

- 6.2 Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be two Eulerian graphs with no vertex in common. Let  $v_1 \in V(G_1)$  and  $v_2 \in V(G_2)$ . Let  $G$  be the graph obtained from  $G_1 \cup G_2$  by adding the edge  $v_1v_2$ . What can be said about  $G$ ?

Since  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are Eulerian, every vertex in each graph has even degree. If we add an additional edge  $v_1v_2$  to form  $G$ , then the degrees of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  each increase by 1, making them odd. Therefore,  $G$  has exactly two vertices of odd degree and cannot be Eulerian.

- 6.6 Let  $G$  be a connected regular graph that is not eulerian. Prove that if  $\overline{G}$  is connected, then  $\overline{G}$  is eulerian.

*Proof.* Since  $G$  is  $r$ -regular and not eulerian,  $r$  must be odd. By the first theorem, the sum of degrees must be even. Therefore  $r * n$ , where  $n$  is the order, must be even. Since  $r$  is odd,  $n$  must be even. Then, in  $\overline{G}$ :

$$\deg_{\overline{G}}(v) = (n - 1) - \deg_G(v)$$

which is:  $(n - 1) - r$

We have an even - odd - odd, which is even. Therefore,  $\overline{G}$  is connected and has even degrees, which satisfies the conditions to be eulerian.  $\square$

- 6.8 (a) Show that every nontrivial graph  $G$  has a closed spanning walk that contains every edge of  $G$  exactly twice.

*Proof.* Let  $G$  be a connected graph. We can form multigraph  $H$  by replacing every edge of  $G$  with two parallel copies. Then each vertex,  $v$ , of  $H$  has degree  $\deg_H(v) = 2\deg_G(v)$ , so all vertices of  $H$  have even degree.  $H$  has an Eulerian circuit that traverses each edge of  $H$  exactly once (due to doubled edges), starting and ending at  $v$ . The same circuit must exist in  $G$ , but each edge is traversed twice. So,  $G$  has a closed spanning walk that contains every edge exactly twice.  $\square$

- 6.10 Let  $G$  be a 6-regular graph of order 10 and let  $u, v \in V(G)$ . Prove  $G - v$  and  $G - u - v$  are all Hamiltonian.

*Proof.* Let  $G$  be a 6-regular graph of order 10, and let  $u, v \in V(G)$ . In  $G - v$ , the order is 9. Since  $G$  is 6-regular, removing  $v$  decreases the degree of each of its 6 neighbors by 1, so every vertex in  $G - v$  has degree at least 5. Thus  $\delta(G - v) \geq 5$ . By corollary 6.7, if a graph  $H$  of order  $n \geq 3$  satisfies  $\delta(H) \geq n/2$ , then  $H$  is Hamiltonian. Here,  $n = 9$  and  $\delta(G - v) = 5 \geq 9/2$ , so  $G - v$  is Hamiltonian. Now consider  $G - u - v$ . The order is 8. Removing  $u$  and  $v$  decreases the degree of each vertex by at most 2 (if the

vertex was adjacent to both  $u$  and  $v$ ), so  $\delta(G - u - v) \geq 6 - 2 = 4$ . Since  $4 = 8/2$ , by corollary 6.7,  $G - u - v$  is also Hamiltonian. Therefore, both  $G - v$  and  $G - u - v$  are Hamiltonian.  $\square$

6.12 Let  $G$  be a 3-regular graph of order 12 and  $H$  a 4-regular graph of order 11.

(a) Is  $G + H$  Eulerian?

Yes. Originally in  $G$ ,  $\deg = 3$ . In  $G + H$ , each vertex in  $G$  gains an edge to all 11 vertices in  $H$ , so  $\deg = 3 + 11 = 14$ .

In  $H$ ,  $\deg = 4$ , and in  $G + H$  each vertex in  $H$  gains an edge to all 12 vertices in  $G$ , so  $\deg = 4 + 12 = 16$ .

Since all vertices have even degree,  $G + H$  satisfies the condition for being Eulerian.

(b) Is  $G + H$  Hamiltonian?

Yes. By corollary 6.7, a graph of order  $n \geq 3$  is Hamiltonian if  $\delta(G) \geq \frac{n}{2}$ .

Here,  $n = 12 + 11 = 23$  and  $\delta(G + H) = 14$ , since  $\min(14, 16) = 14$ .

Because  $14 \geq \frac{23}{2}$ , the condition holds, so  $G + H$  is Hamiltonian