

Graphs & Trees (G)

	Chapter	Lecture	Assignment
Graphs & Trees	1.3, 10	11	6

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- (C) A tree with 5 vertices and a total degree of 10.

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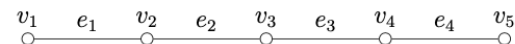
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Solution: (A) not exist. Such a graph would have total degree of $0+1+2+3+4+5 = 15$. However, according to the Handshake Theorem, every graph has an even total degree. (B) does exist:



(C) does not exist. According to the Handshake Theorem, a graph with total degree 10 must have exactly 5 edges. However, according to Theorem 14 on page 14, a tree with 5 vertices must have exactly 4 edges.

9. (6 pts) Let n be a positive integer. What is the total degree of a tree with n vertices?

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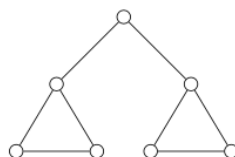
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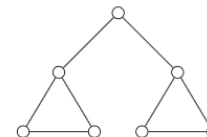
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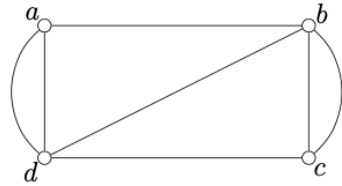
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Solution: The graph is connected, two vertices have degree 3, while all remaining vertices have degree 2. Hence, the graph has an Euler trail.

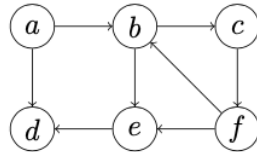
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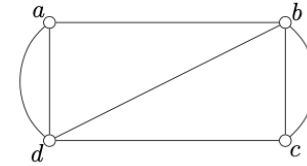
9. (2 pts) Consider the following directed graph $G = (V, E)$.



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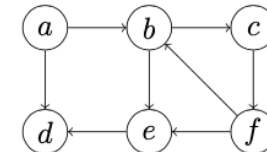


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Solution: Both a and c have an odd degree (namely 3) all other vertices have an even degree. Hence, there is an Euler trail from a to c .

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3. (15 pts) There are three conditions for a graph listed below. For each of these conditions give *either* an example of a graph that satisfies the condition, *or* a reason why no such graph exists. In order to give an example, either draw the corresponding graph or give the triple (V, E, f) of vertices, edges and edge-endpoint function. Hint: Use the definitions and theorems about graphs and trees on pages 15–16.

- (a) A tree with 5 vertices and a total degree of 10.
- (b) A tree with 5 vertices and an Euler trail.
- (c) A simple graph with 6 vertices: one vertex of degree 0, one of degree 1, one of degree 2, one of degree 3, one of degree 4 and one of degree 5.

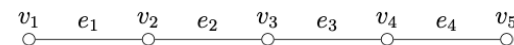
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Solution: Such a graph does not exist. According to the Handshake Theorem, a graph with total degree 10 must have exactly 5 edges. However, according to Theorem 13 on page 17, a tree with 5 vertices must have exactly 4 edges.

- (b) A tree with 5 vertices and an Euler trail.

Solution: Such a graph does exist:



It has the Euler trail $v_1e_1v_2e_2v_3e_3v_4e_4v_5$.

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Alternative Solution: The vertex with degree 5 must have an edge to each other vertex, because a simple graph may not have loops or parallel edges. But that means that there cannot be a vertex with degree 0.

13. (12 pts) There are three conditions for a graph listed below. For each of these conditions give *either* an example of a graph that satisfies the condition, *or* a justification why no such graph exists. In order to give an example, either draw the corresponding graph or give the triple (V, E, f) of vertices, edges and edge-endpoint function. In order to give a justification that a graph of the given description cannot exist, use the definitions and theorems about graphs and trees on pages 16–18.

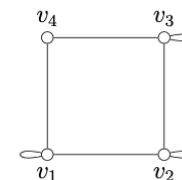
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Above question appears multiple times in previous exams

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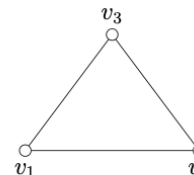
Solution: Such a graph does exist:



The graph has an Euler circuit since each vertex has an even degree.

- (b) A simple connected graph with a circuit.

Solution: Such a graph exists:



- (c) A full binary tree with 8 vertices.

Solution: Such a graph does not exist. According to Theorem 15 on page 17, a full binary tree with n internal vertices has exactly $n + 1$ leaves. That means, every full binary tree has $2n + 1$ vertices, i.e. an odd number of vertices. Hence, there is no full binary tree with an even number of vertices.