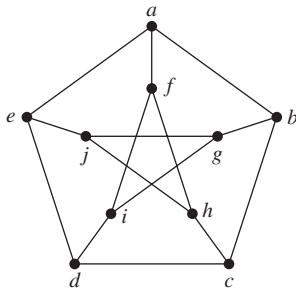
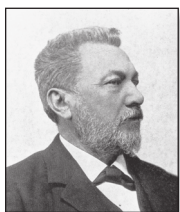
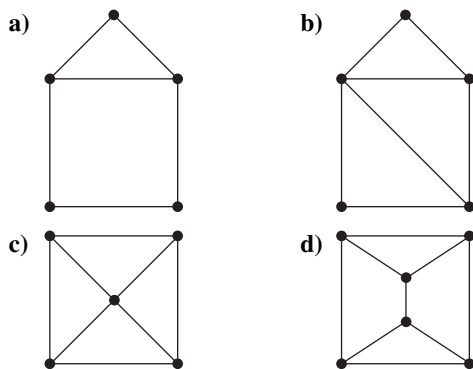


- \*46. Show that the **Petersen graph**, shown here, does not have a Hamilton circuit, but that the subgraph obtained by deleting a vertex  $v$ , and all edges incident with  $v$ , does have a Hamilton circuit.



47. For each of these graphs, determine (i) whether Dirac's theorem can be used to show that the graph has a Hamilton circuit, (ii) whether Ore's theorem can be used to show that the graph has a Hamilton circuit, and (iii) whether the graph has a Hamilton circuit.



**JULIUS PETER CHRISTIAN PETERSEN (1839–1910)** Julius Petersen was born in the Danish town of Sorø. His father was a dyer. In 1854 his parents were no longer able to pay for his schooling, so he became an apprentice in an uncle's grocery store. When this uncle died, he left Petersen enough money to return to school. After graduating, he began studying engineering at the Polytechnical School in Copenhagen, later deciding to concentrate on mathematics. He published his first textbook, a book on logarithms, in 1858. When his inheritance ran out, he had to teach to make a living. From 1859 until 1871 Petersen taught at a prestigious private high school in Copenhagen. While teaching high school he continued his studies, entering Copenhagen University in 1862. He married Laura Bertelsen in 1862; they had three children, two sons and a daughter.

Petersen obtained a mathematics degree from Copenhagen University in 1866 and finally obtained his doctorate in 1871 from that school. After receiving his doctorate, he taught at a polytechnic and military academy. In 1887 he was appointed to a professorship at the University of Copenhagen. Petersen was well known in Denmark as the author of a large series of textbooks for high schools and universities. One of his books, *Methods and Theories for the Solution of Problems of Geometrical Construction*, was translated into eight languages, with the English language version last reprinted in 1960 and the French version reprinted as recently as 1990, more than a century after the original publication date.

Petersen worked in a wide range of areas, including algebra, analysis, cryptography, geometry, mechanics, mathematical economics, and number theory. His contributions to graph theory, including results on regular graphs, are his best-known work. He was noted for his clarity of exposition, problem-solving skills, originality, sense of humor, vigor, and teaching. One interesting fact about Petersen was that he preferred not to read the writings of other mathematicians. This led him often to rediscover results already proved by others, often with embarrassing consequences. However, he was often angry when other mathematicians did not read his writings!

Petersen's death was front-page news in Copenhagen. A newspaper of the time described him as the Hans Christian Andersen of science—a child of the people who made good in the academic world.

48. Can you find a simple graph with  $n$  vertices with  $n \geq 3$  that does not have a Hamilton circuit, yet the degree of every vertex in the graph is at least  $(n - 1)/2$ ?

- \*49. Show that there is a Gray code of order  $n$  whenever  $n$  is a positive integer, or equivalently, show that the  $n$ -cube  $Q_n$ ,  $n > 1$ , always has a Hamilton circuit. [Hint: Use mathematical induction. Show how to produce a Gray code of order  $n$  from one of order  $n - 1$ .]



**Fleury's algorithm**, published in 1883, constructs Euler circuits by first choosing an arbitrary vertex of a connected multigraph, and then forming a circuit by choosing edges successively. Once an edge is chosen, it is removed. Edges are chosen successively so that each edge begins where the last edge ends, and so that this edge is not a cut edge unless there is no alternative.

50. Use Fleury's algorithm to find an Euler circuit in the graph  $G$  in Figure 5.

- \*51. Express Fleury's algorithm in pseudocode.

- \*\*52. Prove that Fleury's algorithm always produces an Euler circuit.

- \*53. Give a variant of Fleury's algorithm to produce Euler paths.

54. A diagnostic message can be sent out over a computer network to perform tests over all links and in all devices. What sort of paths should be used to test all links? To test all devices?

55. Show that a bipartite graph with an odd number of vertices does not have a Hamilton circuit.