## 8. Extremal graph theory

In the following exercises, all graphs are simple!

**1.**  $\overline{G}$  is a simple graph on n vertices (where  $n \ge 4$ ) such that any two edges of G share a common endpoint. Show that G has at most n-1 edges.

**2.** At most how many edges G can have, if G is simple graph on n vertices that does not contain

- a) a cycle;
- b) odd cycle;
- c) triangle;
- d)<sup>+</sup> even cycle?

**3.** How many edges an *n*-vertex simple graph G can have, if its chromatic number is k?

**4.** Let V denote a finite set of points on a unit circle  $S^1$  in the plane. By a unit circle we understand the set  $S^1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 | x^2 + y^2 = 1\}.$ 

- a) What is the maximum number of unordered pairs  $u, v \in V$  such that  $|uv| \ge 1.8$ ?
- b) What is the maximum number of unordered pairs  $u, v \in V$  such that  $|uv| \ge 1.5$ ?

**5.** Prove that if the simple graph G has n vertices and no cycles of length shorter than 2k+1, then the number of edges in G is less than  $n(n^{1/k}+1)$ .

**6.** (Kővári–Sós–Turán theorem.) The simple graph G has no subgraph  $K_{r,s}$ , where  $2 \le r \le s$ . Prove that G has at most  $\frac{\sqrt[r]{s-1}}{2}n^{2-1/r} + \frac{r-1}{2}n = O(n^{2-1/r})$  edges. [10.37]

7. Let S be a set of n points in the plane, where  $n \ge 3$  and the distance between any two points of S is at least one. Show that no more than 3n - 6 pairs of points of S can be at distance exactly one.

**8.** Show that if the chromatic number of G is k, then G contains all trees on k vertices (as subgraphs).

[10.1]