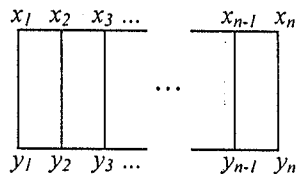


1. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be the undirected connected "ladder graph" shown in the following. For  $n \geq 0$ , let  $a_n$  denote the number of ways one can select  $n$  of the edges in  $G$  so that no two edges share a common vertex. Find and solve a recurrence relation for  $a_n$ . (15%)



2. Construct a minimum-state Mealy style finite-state machine that delays an input string two bits, given 00 as the first two bits of output. (20%)
3. What is the cycle index of the group of rigid motions on 3\*3 tick-tack-toe configurations? What is the number of different configurations among the 3\*3 tick-tack-toe configurations with 5 crosses and 4 naughts? Such a configuration is shown in the following. (15%)

x	x	x
o	x	x
o	o	o

4. Prove
- (a) If  $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + cn$ , where  $c$  is a constant, then  $T(n) = O(n \log n)$ , (10%)
- (b) If  $T(n) = T(0.75n) + cn$ , where  $c$  is a constant, then  $T(n) = O(n)$ . (10%)
5. Show that a connected graph  $G$  is an Euler graph if and only if it can be decomposed into circuits. (A closed walk in which no vertex (except the initial and the final vertex) appears more than once is called a circuit. If there exists a closed walk in a graph which contains all the edges of the graph, then this graph is called an Euler graph) (15%)

6. Refer to the following three-state finite state machine with

(15%)

$$p(a/a) = 1/3, \quad p(b/a) = 1/3, \quad p(c/a) = 1/3,$$

$$p(a/b) = 1/4, \quad p(b/b) = 1/2, \quad p(c/b) = 1/4,$$

$$p(a/c) = 1/4, \quad p(b/c) = 1/4, \quad p(c/c) = 1/2.$$

Then,  $p_a = ?$   $p_b = ?$   $p_c = ?$

