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# ON GRAPHS WITH GIVEN NEIGHBOURHOODS 

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Summary. A relationship between 1- and 2-realizability of graphs is established. Zykov problem of 1 -realizability is solved for two classes of graphs. A concept of $\bar{k}$-realizability of graphs is introduced; some necessary and some sufficient conditions of $\bar{k}$-realizablity are presented

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper a graph will mean a finite non-oriented graph without loops and multiple edges: the edge set $E(G)$ of a graph $G$ is a subset of $\mathscr{P}_{2}(V(G))$ - the set of all 2-element subsets of the vertex set $V(G)$ of $G$. The usual concepts (but not necessarily the notation) of the graph theory are taken from Harary [2]: $\operatorname{deg}_{G}(v)$ denotes the degree of a vertex $v$ in a graph $G, d_{G}(v, w)$ the distance in $G$ between its vertices $v, w, e_{G}(v)$ the eccentricity of $v$ in $G, r(G)$ the radius, $d(G)$ the diameter, $Z(G)$ the centre and $\bar{G}$ the complement of $G, G\langle U\rangle$ the subgraph of $G$ induced by a set $U \subseteq V(G), G_{1} \times G_{2}$ the Cartesian product, $G_{1} \cup G_{2}$ the disjoint union, $G_{1}+G_{2}$ the join (Zykov sum) and $G_{1}\left[G_{2}\right]$ the composition of graphs $G_{1}, G_{2} . \prod_{i=1}^{n} G_{i}, \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} G_{i}$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{n} G_{i}$ are natural generalizations of the above operations on graphs; for $G_{i} \cong\left(\begin{array}{l}i=1 \\ \cong\end{array}\right.$, $i=1, \ldots, n, \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} G_{i}$ is shortened to $n G$. A cycle, a path or a star with $k$ vertices will be denoted by $C_{k}, P_{k}$ or $S_{k}$, respectively.

We define the periphery of $G$ by $P(G)=\left\{v \in V(G): \forall z \in Z(G) d_{G}(z, v)=r(G)\right\}$, the $k$-neighbourhood of a vertex $v$ in $G$ by $N_{k}(v, G)=G\left\langle\left\{w \in V(G): d_{G}(v, w)=k\right\}\right\rangle$ and the closed $k$-neighbourhood (or $k$-neighbourhood) of $v$ in $G$ by $N_{k}(v, G)=$ $=G\left\langle\left\{w \in V(G): d_{G}(v, w) \leqq k\right\}\right\rangle$. A graph $H$ is said to be $k$-realizable, $k \in \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty}\{m, \bar{m}\}$, if there exists a graph $G \neq K_{0}=(\emptyset, \emptyset)($ a $k$-realization of $H)$ such that $N_{k}(v, G) \cong H$ for all $v \in V(G)$.

The problem of 1-realizability posed by Zykov [9] is algorithmically unsolvable (Bulitko [5]), nevertheless it has been an object of study of many authors - see e.g. Blass-Harary-Miller [2], Brown-Connelly [3, 4], Hell [7], Sedláček [9]. Bielak [1] defined the term $k$-realizability and showed that a) the problem of 2-realizability is non-trivial, by founding an infinite number of examples of graphs which are 2-realizable, as well as of those which are not, and b) for any $k \geqq 3$ and a non-empty graph $H$ the composition $C_{2 k}[H]$ is a $k$-realization of $H$.

In the first part of this paper we show that the problem of 2-realizability is more difficult than the problem of 1 -realizability. We present some results concerning 1 and 2 -realizability of graphs. In the second part we deal with $k$-realizability and give some necessary and some sufficient conditions for the $k$-realizability.

## 2. GRAPHS WITH GIVEN 1- OR 2-NEIGHBOURHOODS

2.1. Theorem. A non-empty graph $H$ is 1-realizable if and only if the graph $\bar{H}$ is 2-realizable by a graph with diameter 2 .

Proof. a) If $G$ is a 1 -realization of $H$, then no component of $G$ is $K_{1}$, hence $\bar{G}+\bar{G}$ is a 2-realization of $\bar{H}$ (see [1]) and $d(\bar{G}+\bar{G})=2$.
b) If $G$ is a 2-realization of $\bar{H}$ with $d(G)=2$, then $\bar{G}$ is a 1-realization of $H$. Indeed, for $v \in V(\bar{G})=V(G)$ we have $N_{2}(v, G) \cong \bar{H}, V\left(N_{1}(v, \bar{G})\right)=\{w \in V(\bar{G})$ : $\{v, w\} \in E(\bar{G})\}=\{w \in V(G):\{v, w\} \notin E(G)\}=\left\{w \in V(G): d_{G}(v, w)=2\right\}=$
$=V\left(N_{2}(v, G)\right)$ and $E\left(N_{1}(v, \bar{G})\right)=\left\{\{x, y\} \in \mathscr{P}_{2}(V(\bar{G})): d_{G}(x, y)=d_{G}(v, x)=\right.$
$\left.=d_{G}(v, y)=1\right\}=\left\{\{x, y\} \in \mathscr{P}_{2}(V(G)): d_{G}(x, y)=d_{G}(v, x)=d_{G}(v, y)=2\right\}=$
$=E\left(\overline{N_{2}(v . G)}\right)$.
2.2. Lemma. If $G$ is a 2-realization of a non-empty graph $H$ with $d(H) \leqq 2$, then there exists a 2 -realization $K$ of $H$ such that $d(K)=\min \{d(G), 2\}$.

Proof. For $d(G)>2$ define $K$ by $V(K)=V(G)$ and $E(K)=\left\{\{v, w\} \in \mathscr{P}_{2}(V(G))\right.$ : $\left.d_{G}(v, w) \neq 2\right\}$. Then evidently $d(K)=2$ and $V\left(N_{2}(x, K)\right)=V\left(N_{2}(x, G)\right)$, $E\left(N_{2}(x, K)\right) \supseteq E\left(N_{2}(x, G)\right)$ for each $x \in V(K)$. The assumption $\{v, w\} \in$ $\in E\left(N_{2}(x, K)\right)-E\left(N_{2}(x, G)\right)$ would lead to $3 \leqq d_{G}(v, w) \leqq d_{N_{2}(x, G)}(v, w)$ in contradiction with $N_{2}(x, G) \cong H$ and $d(H) \leqq 2$; hence, $N_{2}(x, K)=N_{2}(x, G) \cong H$.
2.3. Theorem. A disconnected graph $H$ is 1-realizable if and only if $\bar{H}$ is 2-realizable.

Proof. a) With respect to Theorem 2.1 a disconnected (obviously non-empty) 1-realizable graph $H$ the graph $\bar{H}$ is 2 -realizable.
b) Since the disconnectedness of $H$ implies $d(\bar{H}) \leqq 2$ and $\bar{H} \neq K_{0}$, any 2-realization of $\bar{H}$ has diameter at least 2 and by Lemma 2.2 there exists a 2-realization $G$ of $\bar{H}$ with $d(G)=2$, and according to Theorem 2.1 H is 1-realizable.

The following lemma is in fact (in a more special form) proved in [7], but it is not formulated there as a special statement.
2.4. Lemma. (i) If $H$ is a 1-realizable graph, then for every positive integer $n$ the graph $H \cup n K_{1}$ is 1-realizable, too.
(ii) If $H$ is a graph and there exists a positive integer $n$ such that the graph $H \cup n K_{1}$ is 1-realizable, then the graph $H$ is 1-realizable, too.

Proof. (i) According to [7] the disjoint union of a finite number of 1-realizable graphs is 1-realizable, too, and the desired result follows since $K_{t+1}$ is a 1-realization of $K_{l}$.
(ii) Let $G$ be a 1-realization of $H \cup n K_{1}$ and let $H_{1}$ be the graph obtained from $H$ by deleting all of its isolated vertices. Then the deletion of all edges of $G$ belonging to no triangle yields a 1 -realization of $H_{1}$. As $H \cong H_{1} \cup m K_{1}$ for a suitable nonnegative integer $m$, the graph $H$ is 1-realizable by (i).
2.5. Theorem. (i) If $H$ is a non-empty 1-realizable graph, then for every positive integer $n$ the graph $\bar{H}+K_{n}$ is 2-realizable.
(ii) If $H$ is a graph and there exists a positive integer $n$ such that the graph $\bar{H}+K_{n}$ is 2-realizable, then $H$ is 1-realizable.

Proof. Use Theorems 2.1 and 2.3, Lemma 2.4, the isomorphism of $\overline{H \cup n K_{1}}$ and $\bar{H}+K_{n}$, the disconnectedness of $H \cup n K_{1}$ (for $H \neq K_{0}$ or $n \geqq 2$ ) and the 1-realizability of $K_{0}$ (for $H=K_{0}$ and $n=1$ ).
2.6. Remark. Theorem 2.5 shows that the problem of 2-realizability is more complicated than the original Zykov problem - to solve the latter one it is sufficient to know which graphs of radius 1 are 2-realizable.
2.7. Theorem. If $k, l, m_{1}, \ldots, m_{l}$ are positive integers and $n$ is an integer, $3 \leqq$ $\leqq n \leqq 6$, then the graphs $P_{k}, K_{m_{1}, \ldots, m_{1}}$ and $C_{n}$ are 2-realizable by a graph with diameter 2.

Proof. a) The graph $C_{k+3}+C_{k+3}$ is a suitable 2-realization of $\boldsymbol{P}_{\boldsymbol{k}}$.
b) The graph $\prod_{i=1}^{l} K_{m_{i}+1}$ is a 1-realization of the graph $\bigcup_{i=1}^{i} K_{m_{i}}$ (see [7]), hence by Theorem 2.1 the complete $l$-partite graph

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K_{m_{1}, \ldots, m_{l}} \cong \bigcup_{i=1}^{T} K_{m_{l}}
$$

is 2-realizable by a graph with diameter 2.
c) For $C_{3} \cong K_{3}$ and $C_{4} \cong K_{2,2}$ recall b). Since $C_{5}$ is 1-realizable according to [3], it is sufficient to use Theorem 2.1 and the isomorphism of $\bar{C}_{5}$ and $C_{5}$. Fig. 1 depicts a 2-realization of $C_{6}$ with diameter 2.


Fig. 1
Zelinka [10] proved that complements of paths are 1 -realizable and that $\bar{C}_{k}$ is 1 -realizable if and only if $k \leqq 6$. The following assertion is a generalization of this result.
2.8. Theorem. If $\left\{c_{k}\right\}_{k=3}^{\infty},\left\{p_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ and $\left\{s_{k}\right\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ are sequences of non-negative integers such that $\sum_{k=3}^{\infty}\left(c_{k}+p_{k}+s_{k}\right)$ is finite, then the graph $\bigcup_{k=3}^{\infty} c_{k} \bar{C}_{k} \cup \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} p_{k} \bar{P}_{k} \cup$ $\cup \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} s_{k} \bar{S}_{k}$ is 1-realizable if and only if $\sum_{k=7}^{\infty} c_{k}=0$.

Proof. a) For a positive integer $k$ the graph $\bar{S}_{k}=K_{k-1} \cup K_{1}$ is 1-realizable, and the same holds - in virtue of Theorems 2.1 and 2.7 - for the graph $\bar{P}_{k}$. For a positive integer $k, 3 \leqq k \leqq 6$, the graph $\bar{C}_{k}$ is 1-realizable again by Theorems 2.1 and 2.7. Hence $\sum_{k=7}^{\infty} c_{k}=0$ implies the desired 1-realizability.
b) Suppose that $l$ is an integer, $l \geqq 7$, and that the graph $\bigcup_{k=3}^{\infty} c_{k} \bar{C}_{k} \cup \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} p_{k} \breve{P}_{k} \cup$ $\cup \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} s_{k} \bar{S}_{k}=\bigcup_{m=1}^{n} \bar{H}_{m}$ with $H_{1}=C_{l}$ and each $H_{m}, m \in\{2, \ldots, n\}$ being a cycle, a path or a star, is 1 -realizable. Then by Theorem 2.1 the graph

$$
H=\overline{\bigcup_{m=1}^{n} \bar{H}_{m}} \cong \sum_{m=1}^{n} H_{m}
$$

is 2-realizable by a graph $G$ with $d(G)=2$. For any $v \in V(G)$ there exists a decomposition $\left\{V_{m}(v): m=1, \ldots, n\right\}$ of $V\left(N_{2}(v, G)\right)$ such that $N_{2}(v, G)\left\langle V_{m}(v)\right\rangle \cong H_{m}, m=$ $=1, \ldots, n$, and $\{x, y\} \in E\left(N_{2}(v, G)\right)$ whenever $x \in V_{i}(v), y \in V_{j}(v), i \neq j$. Denote the vertices of $V_{1}(v)$ by $v_{1}, \ldots, v_{l}$ in such a way that $\left\{v_{i}, v_{i+1}\right\} \in E\left(N_{2}(v, G)\right), i=1, \ldots$ $\ldots, l-1$; then necessarily $\left\{v_{l}, v_{1}\right\} \in E\left(N_{2}(v, G)\right)$. As $\left\{v_{2}, v_{i}\right\} \notin E(G), i=4, \ldots, l$, $\left\{v_{2}, v\right\} \notin E(G)$ and $d(G)=2$, we have $\left\{v, v_{4}, \ldots, v_{l}\right\} \subseteq V\left(N_{2}\left(v_{2}, G\right)\right)$, and if $v \in V_{j}\left(v_{2}\right)$, $j \in\{1, \ldots, n\}$, then evidently $\left\{v_{4}, \ldots, v_{l}\right\} \subseteq V_{j}\left(v_{2}\right)$ - otherwise $\left\{v, v_{m}\right\} \in E(G)$ for some $m \in\{4, \ldots, l\}$ in contradiction with $v_{m} \in V\left(N_{2}(v, G)\right)$. The connected graph $G_{j}=N_{2}\left(v_{2}, G\right)\left\langle V_{j}\left(v_{2}\right)\right\rangle$ is clearly not a star (it has at least $l-5 \geqq 2$ vertices of
degree $\geqq 2$ ), hence for $q=\min \left\{d_{G_{j}}\left(v, v_{p}\right): p=4, \ldots, l\right\}$ we have $q \geqq 2$ and $d_{G_{J}}\left(v, v_{p}\right)>q, p=5, \ldots, l-1$ (if not, $\operatorname{deg}_{G_{j}}\left(v_{p}\right) \geqq 3$ ). Suppose therefore without loss of generality $\dot{d}_{G_{J}}\left(v, v_{l}\right)=q$ and denote by $v_{l}=w_{0}, \ldots, w_{q}=v$ the vertices of a shortest path in $G_{j}$ between $v$ and $v_{l}$. Since $\operatorname{deg}_{G_{j}}\left(w_{1}\right)=2$ and $\left\{w_{1}, \ldots, w_{q}\right\} \cap$ $\cap\left\{v_{4}, \ldots, v_{l}\right\}=\emptyset,\left\{w_{1}, v_{4}\right\}$ is not an edge of $G$ and $d_{G}\left(w_{1}, v_{4}\right)=2, w_{1} \in V_{s}\left(v_{4}\right)$ for a suitable $s \in\{1, \ldots, n\}$. Take $t_{i} \in\{1, \ldots, n\}$ so that $v_{i} \in V_{t_{i}}\left(v_{4}\right), i=1,2,6, \ldots, l$; then for $i \neq j$ with $\left\{v_{i}, v_{j}\right\} \notin E(G)$ necessarily $t_{i}=t_{j}$ and consequently $t_{1}=t_{2}=$ $=t_{6}=\ldots=t_{1}$. We can also assert $s=t_{l-1}$ - in the opposite case $\left\{w_{1}, v_{l-1}\right\} \in$ $\epsilon E\left(G_{j}\right)$ results in $\operatorname{deg}_{G_{j}}\left(v_{l-1}\right) \geqq 3$. Now $N_{2}\left(v_{4}, G\right)\left\langle V_{s}\left(v_{4}\right)\right\rangle$ has at least three vertice) of degree $\geqq 2$ and at least one vertex of degree $\geqq 3\left(v_{l}\right.$ is adjacent to $v_{1}, v_{l-1}$ and $w_{1} \mathrm{~s}$ and it is neither a star nor a path nor a cycle.
2.9. Theorem. If $T$ is a tree, then $\bar{T}$ is 1-realizable if and only if $T$ is a path or a star.

Proof. a) If $T$ is a non-empty path or star, $\bar{T}$ is 1 -realizable according to Theorem 2.8. For any positive integer $n$ the graph $n K_{1}$ is a 1 -realization of the empty graph $\bar{P}_{0}=\bar{S}_{0}$.
b) Suppose that a tree $T$ is neither a path nor a star and that $\bar{T}$ is 1 -realizable. Let $G$ be a 2 -realization of $T$ with $d(G)=2$ (existing by Theorem 2.1). If $v \in V(G)$, then $N_{2}(v, G) \cong T$ and in $V\left(N_{2}(v, G)\right)$ we can find vertices $x, y$ such that $\operatorname{deg}_{N_{2}(v, G)}(x)=$ $=m \geqq 3, \operatorname{deg}_{N_{2}(v, G)}(y)=1$ and $\{x, y\} \notin E\left(N_{2}(v, G)\right)$. Since $d(G)=2, V\left(N_{2}(x, G)\right)$ consists of $v$, the vertices of $N_{2}(v, G)$ non-adjacent to $x$, and of $m$ remaining vertices $w_{1}, \ldots, w_{m} \in V(G)-\{v\}-V\left(N_{2}(v, G)\right)$ necessarily adjacent to $v$ in $G$. As $y$ is adjacent to exactly one vertex $u$ of $N_{2}(v, G), V\left(N_{2}(y, G)\right) \supseteq\{v\} \cup V\left(N_{2}(v, G)\right)-$ $-\{u, y\}$, hence $V\left(N_{2}(y, G)\right)$ contains at most one of the vertices $w_{1}, \ldots, w_{m}$. Thus $\left|V\left(N_{1}(y, G)\right) \cap\left\{w_{1}, \ldots, w_{m}\right\}\right| \geqq m-1 \geqq 2$ and if, without loss of generality, $w_{1}, w_{2} \in V\left(N_{1}(y, G)\right)$, then $N_{2}(x, G)$ contains as a subgraph the cycle of length 4 passing through the vertices $v, w_{1}, y, w_{2}$, and we have obtained a contradiction with the structure of $T \cong N_{2}(x, G)$.

## 3. $\boldsymbol{k}$-REALIZABILITY OF GRAPHS

In this part we deal with $k$-realizability of graphs. In view of the following two obvious facts we can restrict our analysis to connected $k$-realizations of non-empty graphs.
3.1. Proposition. If $k$ is a positive integer, then
(i) the graph $K_{0}$ is $k$-realizable and is not $\bar{k}$-realizable;
(ii) the graph $G_{1} \cup G_{2}$ is a $k$-realization of a graph $G$ if and only if $G_{1}, G_{2}$ are $k$-realizations of $G$.

The question of $\overline{1}$-realizability has rested practically untouched; this is probably due to the following simple results.
3.2. Lemma. $A$ graph $H \neq K_{0}$ is 1-realizable if and only if the graph $H+K_{1}$ is $\overline{1}$-realizable.
3.3. Lemma. If $k$ is a positive integer and $H \neq K_{0}$ is a graph with $d(H) \leqq k$, then $H$ is $k$-realizable and a graph $G$ is a connected $k$-realization of $H$ if and only if $G \cong H$.

Proof. $H$ is clearly a connected $k$-realization of $H$. If $G$ is another one, nonisomorphic to $H$, it must be (up to an isomorphism) equal to a supergraph of $H$ with $V(G)-V(H) \neq \emptyset$. The connectednes of $G$ yields the existence of vertices $v \in V(H)$ and $w \in V(G)-V(H)$ such that $\{v, w\} \in E(G)$, and then $V\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right) \supseteq V(H) \cup\{w\}$ in contradiction with $N_{k}(v, G)=H$.

The main result of this part is
3.4. Theorem. If $k$ is a positive integer and $H$ is a $k$-realizable graph with $d(H)>k$, then
(i) $r(H)=k$,
(ii) $P(H) \neq \emptyset$,
(iii) $q=|V(H)| /|Z(H)|$ is an integer and there exists a decomposition $\mathscr{V}=$ $=\left\{V_{1}, \ldots, V_{q}\right\}$ of $V(H)$ such that $Z(H) \in \mathscr{V}$ and $H\left\langle V_{i}\right\rangle \cong H\langle Z(H)\rangle, i=1, \ldots, q$.

Proof. Let $G$ be a connected supergraph of $H$ representing a $k$-realization of $H$.
(i) For any vertex $v$ of $G$ we have $r(H)=r\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right) \leqq k$. Since $V\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right) \neq$ $\neq V(H)$ for each $v \in V(H)$ with $e_{H}(v)>k$ and $d(H)>k, V(H)$ is a proper subset of $V(G)$ and we can choose $w \in V(G)-V(H)$. Taking $z \in Z(H)$ we get $N_{k}(z, G)=H$, hence $d=d_{G}(z, w)>k$ : if $z=w_{0}, w_{1}, \ldots, w_{d}=w$ are the vertices forming a shortest path in $G$ between $z$ and $w$, then $w_{k} \in V\left(N_{\bar{k}}(z, G)\right)$ and $r(H) \geqq k$.
(ii) Using $w_{k} \in V(H)$ and $r(H)=k$ we can state that $d_{H}\left(v, w_{k}\right) \leqq k$ for every $v \in Z(H)$. On the other hand, $d_{H}\left(v, w_{k}\right) \geqq k$, for if this were not the case, $w_{k+1} \in$ $\in V\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right)$ in contradiction with $N_{k}(v, G)=H=N_{k}(z, G)$ and $d_{H}\left(z, w_{k+1}\right)=$ $=k+1$. Thus $d_{H}\left(v, w_{k}\right)=k$ and $w_{k} \in P(H)$.
(iii) As $r(H)=k$, any $v \in V(G)$ belongs to $Z\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right)$ and it is easy to see that $N_{k}(u, G)=N_{k}(v, G)$ for all $u \in Z\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right)$. If $w \in V\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right)-Z\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right)=W$, then by (i) $d_{G}(w, x)>k$ for a suitable $x \in W$, while for $w \in V(G)-V\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right)$ we have $d_{G}(v, w)>k$; hence $w \in V(\dot{G})-Z\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right)$ implies $N_{k}(w, G) \neq N_{k}(v, G)$ and consequently $Z\left(N_{k}(w, G)\right) \cap Z\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right)=\emptyset$. This proves that $r=|V(G)| /|Z(H)|$ is an integer and there exists a decomposition $\mathscr{U}=\left\{U_{1}, \ldots, U_{r}\right\}$ of $V(G)$ such that $Z(H) \in \mathscr{U}$ and $G\left\langle U_{i}\right\rangle \cong H\langle Z(H)\rangle, \quad i=1, \ldots, r$. Furthermore, since $Z(H) \subseteq$ $\subseteq V\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right)$ for $v \in V(H)$ and $V\left(N_{k}(w, G)\right) \cap Z(H)=\emptyset$ for $w \in V(G)-V(H)$, we
have $U_{i} \subseteq V(H)$ or $U_{i} \cap V(H)=\emptyset$ for each $i=1, \ldots, r$, and $q$ members of $\mathscr{U}$ form a decomposition of $V(H)$.
3.5. Corollary. If $H$ is a 1-realizable graph with $r(H)=1$, then $|V(H)|+1$ is divisible by $|Z(H)|+1$.

Proof. By Lemma 3.2 the graph $H+K_{1}=H_{1}$ is 1-realizable; $r(H)=1$ leads to $\left|\mathrm{Z}\left(H_{1}\right)\right|=|\mathrm{Z}(H)|+1$. As $\left|V\left(H_{1}\right)\right|=|V(H)|+1$, for $d(H)>1$ (which implies $d\left(H_{1}\right)>1$ ) apply Theorem 3.4 (iii), while for $d(H)=1$, i.e. $H \cong K_{l}, l \geqq 2$, make use of the equality of $Z(H)$ and $V(H)$.
3.6. Remark. Corollary 3.5 is also a consequence of Theorem 1 in [7].
3.7. Theorem. If $k$ is a positive integer, $H$ is a $k$-realizable graph with $d(H)>k$ and $G$ is a $k$-realization of $H$, then $\left\{\operatorname{deg}_{G}(v): v \in V(G)\right\}=\left\{\operatorname{deg}_{H}(w): w \in Z(H)\right\}$.

Proof. Since all vertices adjacent to $v \in V(G)$ belong to $N_{k}(v, G)$, we get $\operatorname{deg}_{G}(v)=$ $=\operatorname{deg}_{N_{k(v, G)}}(v)$. By Theorem 3.4 (i) we have $v \in Z\left(N_{k}(v, G)\right)$, hence the isomorphism of $N_{k}(v, G)$ and $H$ implies the existence of $w \in Z(H)$ such that $\operatorname{deg}_{G}(v)=\operatorname{deg}_{H}(w)$. The converse inclusion is obvious.

In what follows we deal with $k$-realizability of trees.
3.8. Lemma. If $T$ is a tree with $P(T) \neq \emptyset$, then
(i) $|Z(T)|=1$,
(ii) $T \cong K_{1}$ or $\operatorname{deg}_{T}(v)=1$ for every $v \in P(T)$.

Proof. (i) The assumption $|Z(T)|>1$ leads to $Z(T)=\left\{z_{1}, z_{2}\right\} \in E(T)$ (see [6]). If $v \in V(T)$ and $v_{0}=v, v_{1}, \ldots, v_{m}=z_{1}$ are vertices of the (unique) path joining $v$ and $z_{1}$ in $T$, then $z_{2}=v_{m-1}$ with $d_{T}\left(v, z_{2}\right)=d_{T}\left(v, z_{1}\right)-1$ or $z_{2} \notin\left\{v_{0}, \ldots, v_{m}\right\}$ with $d_{T}\left(v, z_{2}\right)=d_{T}\left(v, z_{1}\right)+1$, both cases resulting in $v \notin P(T)$. Thus $P(T) \neq \emptyset$ implies $Z(T)=\{z\}$.
(ii) If $v \in V(T)$ and $\operatorname{deg}_{T}(v) \geqq 2$, take a vertex $w \in V(T)$ adjacent to $v$ and not belonging to the path joining $v$ and $z$. Since $d_{T}(w, z)=d_{T}(v, z)+1, v$ is not a peripheral vertex.

For positive integers $k$, $l$, let $T_{k, l}$ be a tree with radius $k$ and one-vertex centre whose all vertices except the peripheral ones are of degree 1.
3.9. Theorem. If $k$ is a positive integer, then a tree $T \neq K_{0}$ is $k$-realizable if and only if $d(T) \leqq k$ or $T \cong T_{k, l}$ for a suitable integer $l \geqq 2$.

Proof. In view of Lemma 3.3 it is sufficient to analyze the case $d(T)>k$.
(a) If $T$ is a $k$-realizable tree with $d(T)>k$, then $r(T)=k$ and $P(T) \neq \emptyset$ by Theorem 3.4. Hence using Lemma 3.8 we get $|Z(T)|=1$. If $Z(T)=\{z\}$ and $\operatorname{deg}_{T}(z)=l$, then clearly $l \geqq 2$.

Take a $k$-realization $G$ of $T$ which is a supergraph of $T$; by Theorem 3.7 it is an $l$-regular graph. For any $v \in V(T)-P(T)$ we have $d_{T}(z, v)<k$, hence all vertices adjacent to $v$ in $G$ belong to $N_{k}(z, G)$ and $\operatorname{deg}_{T}(v)=\operatorname{deg}_{G}(v)=l$. Thus we have proved that $T \cong T_{k, l}$.
(b) Let $G$ be an $l$-regular graph whose girth is $2 k+2-$ its existence is guaranteed by Sachs [8] for $l \geqq 3$, for $l=2$ take a cycle with $2 k+2$ vertices. It is easy to see that for every $v \in V(G)$ the closed $k$-neighbourhood of $v$ is a tree isomorphic to $T_{k, l}$.

A $k$-realizable graph serves as a basis for a wide class of $k$-realizable graphs.
3.10. Theorem. If $k$ is an integer, $k \geqq 2$, and $H$ is a $k$-realizable graph with $|V(H)| \geqq 2$, then for any graph $K \neq K_{0}$ the graph $H[K]$ is $k$-realizable, too.

Proof. As a $k$-realization of $H[K]$ we can take $G[K]$ where $G$ is a $k$-realization of $H$.
3.11. Theorem. If $k \in\{1, \overline{1}\}, H$ is a $k$-realizable graph and $G$ is a $k$-realization of $H$, then the graph $H+G$ is $k$-realizable, too.

Proof. The graph $G+G$ is a $k$-realization of $H+G$.

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## Súhrn

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Je nájdený vztah medzi 1-a 2-realizovateInostou grafov. Zykovov problém 1-realizovateInosti je vyrieŠený pre dve triedy grafov. Je zavedený pojem $\bar{k}$-realizovateInosti grafov; sú uvedené isté nutné a isté postačujúce podmienky $\boldsymbol{k}$-realizovatelnosti.

Резюме

## О ГРАФАХ С ДАННЫМИ ОКРЕСТНОСТЯМИ

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Устанавливается связь между 1- и 2-реализуемостью графов. Проблема Зыкова об 1-реализуемости решается для двух классов графов. Вводится понятие $\bar{k}$-реализуемости; приводятся некоторые необходимые и некоторые достаточные условия $\bar{k}$-реализуемости.

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