

Basic Theory of Graph (Part 3)

Planar Graph and Graph Coloring

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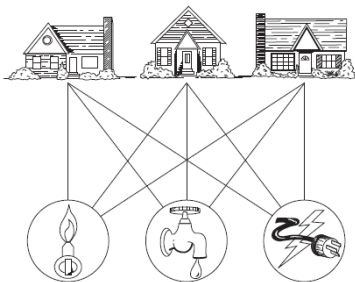
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Planar Graph: Motivation

Problems

Suppose there are three houses that must be connected into three utilities, namely: gas, water, and electricity. The three utilities will be connected using their own lines. To avoid fire or any bad things, we must avoid any connection cross (i.e., there cannot be any intersection between two lines for different utilities). Can this idea be implemented?



The problem can be modeled into a bipartite graph $K_{3,3}$.

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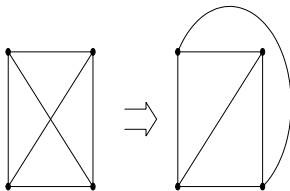
Suppose $G = (V, E)$ is a simple undirected graph, G is called a **planar graph** if G can be drawn on a plane with no edges crossing except on its vertices. The re-drawn of graph G (without edge crossing) is called a **planar representation of G** . A graph that is not a planar graph is called a non-planar graph.

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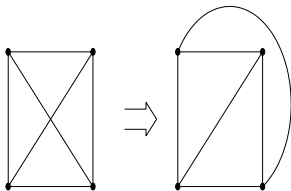
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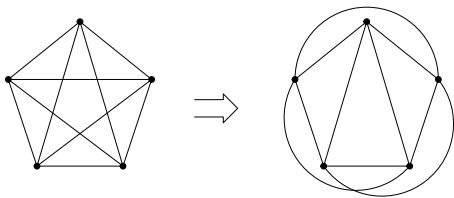


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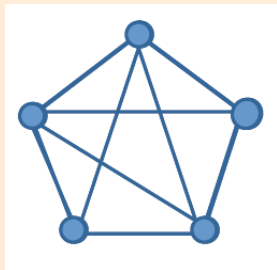
A complete graph K_5 **is not** a planar graph.



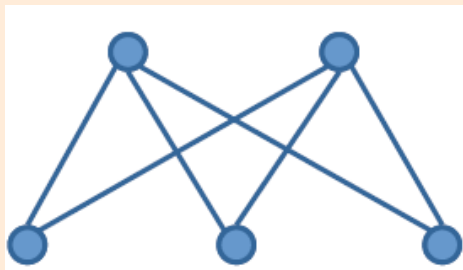
Exercise 1: Planar Graph

Exercise

Check whether the two following graphs are planar graphs or not. Draw their planar representations if possible.



Graph G



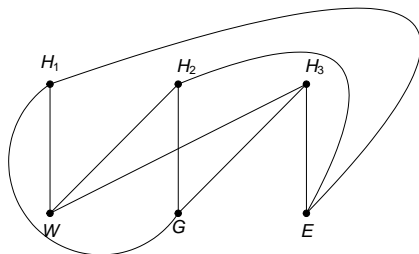
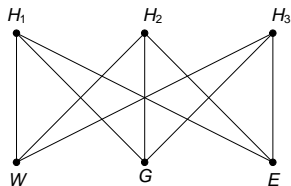
Graph H

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Are all the graphs planar graphs? Graph $K_{3,3}$ that has been explained previously (the problem of three houses and three utilities) is a non-planar graph.



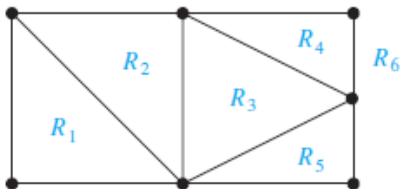
The detailed proof and argument about the non-planarity of $K_{3,3}$ can be read on the textbook.

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Region on Planar Representation of a Graph

Edges of planar representation of a graph on a plane divide the plane into some regions. The regions on the graph can be **bounded** (which means that the area is limited) or **unbounded** (which means that the area is unlimited). For example, observe the following graph G .



Graph G

The number of regions on the graph is six, all regions except the region R_6 are bounded.

Euler Formula for Planar Representation of a Graph

Some theorems on planar graphs and planar representation of graphs are as follows. Proof of the theorems can be explored in the textbook or other references.

Theorem

Suppose $G = (V, E)$ is a planar graph and $H = (V, E)$ is a planar representation of G . If r denotes the number of regions on H , then $r = |E| - |V| + 2$.

Theorem (First Euler Inequality for Planar Graph)

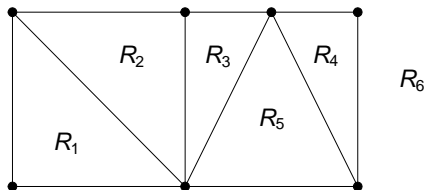
If $G = (V, E)$ is a simple connected graph with **planar** property where $|V| \geq 3$, then $|E| \leq 3|V| - 6$.

Theorem (Second Euler Inequality for Planar Graph)

If $G = (V, E)$ is a simple connected graph with **planar** property where $|V| \geq 3$ and it has no circuit of length 3, then $|E| \leq 2|V| - 4$.

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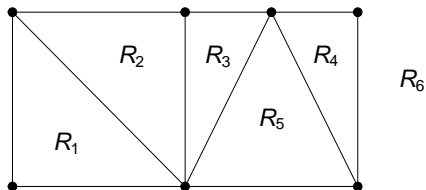


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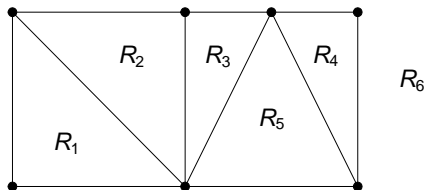


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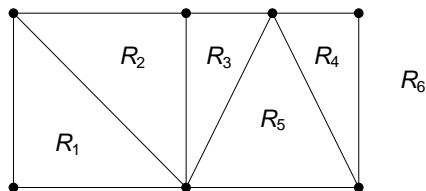


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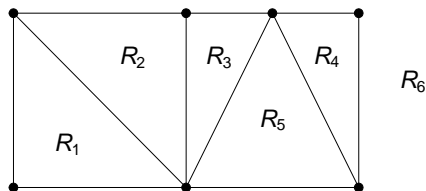
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$$\begin{aligned}r &= |E| - |V| + 2 \\6 &= 11 - 7 + 2.\end{aligned}$$

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Elementary Subdivision

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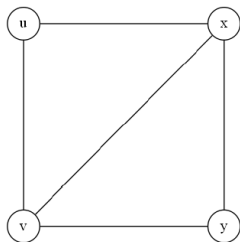
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Suppose $G = (V_G, E_G)$ is a simple graph. The graph $H = (V_H, E_H)$ is obtained from an elementary subdivision operation on G if H is obtained by replacing an edge $\{u, v\} \in E_G$ with $\{u, w\}$ and $\{w, v\}$ where w is a new vertex. Formally, the relation between V_H and E_H with V_G and E_G is explained as follows:

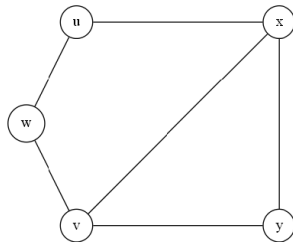
- 1 $V_H = V_G \cup \{w\}$,
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Elementary Subdivision Example

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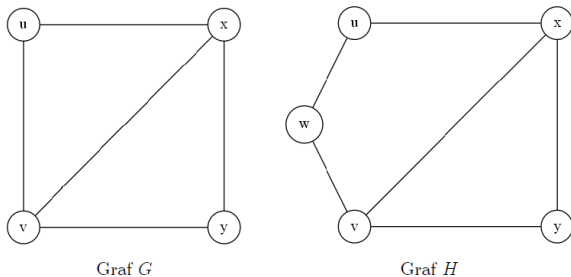
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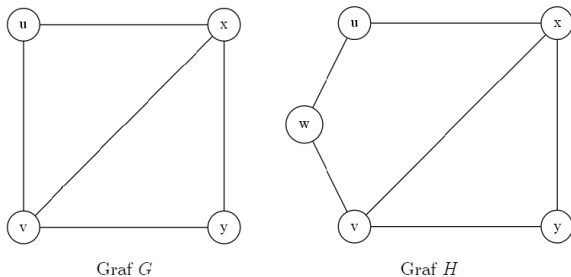
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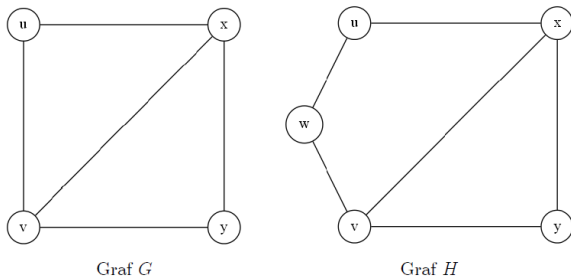
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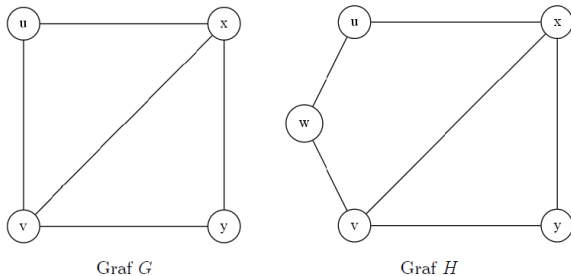
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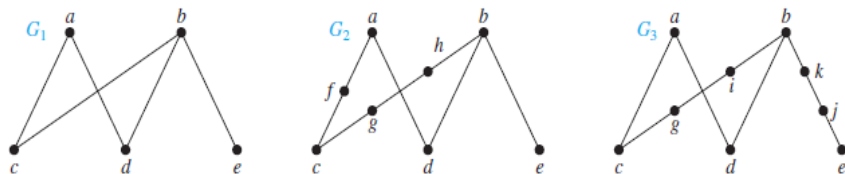


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Two Homeomorphic Graphs

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Suppose $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$ and $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$ are two simple graphs, G_1 is called **homeomorphic** to G_2 if G_1 and G_2 can be obtained from a graph H by applying a sequence of elementary subdivisions (not necessarily identical subdivisions).



Graph G_1 , G_2 , and G_3

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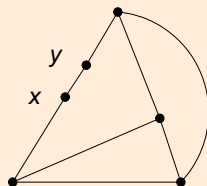
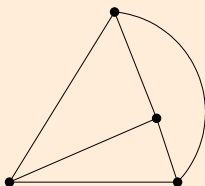
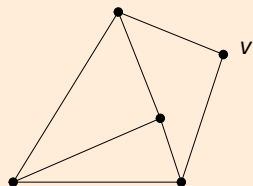
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Exercise 2: Homeomorphic Properties

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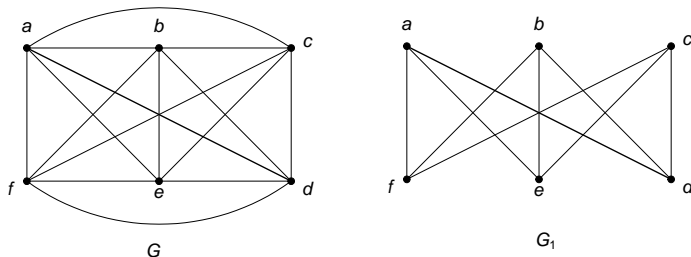
Check whether the three graphs are homeomorphic.

Kuratowski's Theorem

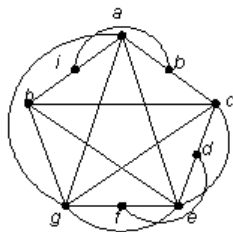
Theorem (Kuratowski's Theorem)

Graph G has non-planar properties if and only if G contain a subgraph that is homeomorphic to $K_{3,3}$ or K_5 .

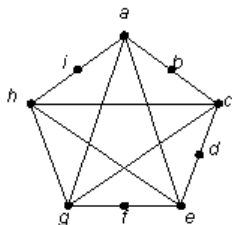
Illustration of Kuratowski's Theorem



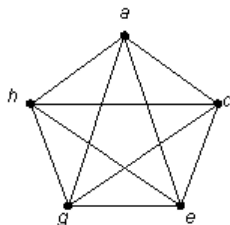
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G



G_1



K_5

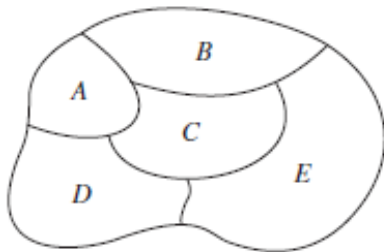
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Graph Coloring: Motivation

Determine the minimum number of colors required to color the following map so that there is no two adjacent regions with the same colour.



Map of a region.

How many different colors required for coloring the map of Indonesia so that there is no two adjacent provinces with the same color?

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Of course if $G = (V, E)$ and $|V| = n$, then the vertices on G can be colored with n different colours. Indeed, this is not interesting.

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Four Colors Theorem

Theorem (Four Colours Theorem)

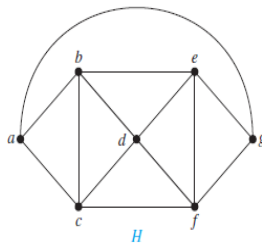
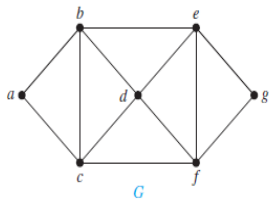
Suppose G is a planar graph, then $\chi(G) \leq 4$.

The proof of the theorem is not easy, you can check the related references on graph coloring.

Exercise 3: Determining the Chromatic Number

Exercise

Determine the chromatic number of the following graphs.



Graph G and H

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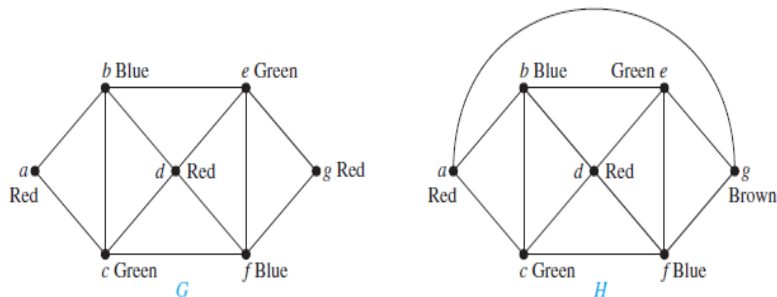
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Illustration for Solution of Exercise 3

The illustration of graph coloring is as follows.



Graph coloring for G and H .

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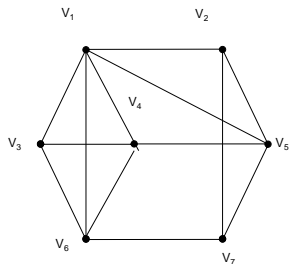
Welsh-Powell Algorithm

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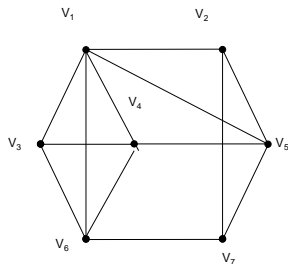
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- 1 Suppose $G = (V, E)$ with $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$.
- 2 Sort the $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ based on their degrees, start from a vertex with the largest degree. The way to sort can be different if there are two vertices or more that have identical degrees.
- 3 Assign the first color to the vertex with the largest degree. The colorization is performed sequentially so that every vertex in the list that is not adjacent with the previous vertices will be given this color.
- 4 Repeat step 3 for the vertex with the next largest degree that has not been colored.
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Example of Welsh-Powell Algorithm

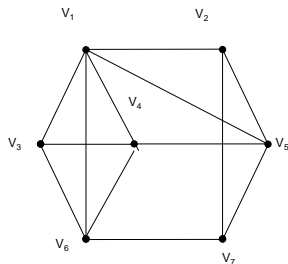


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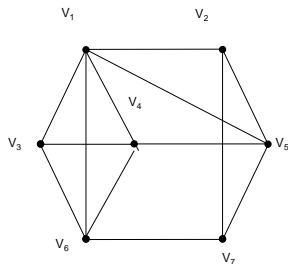
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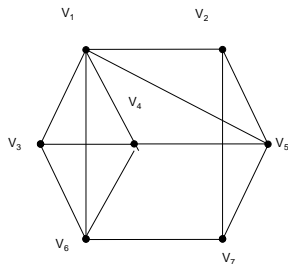
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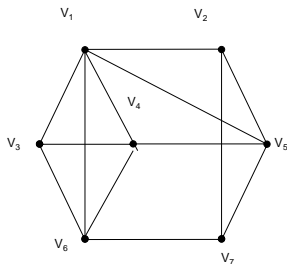
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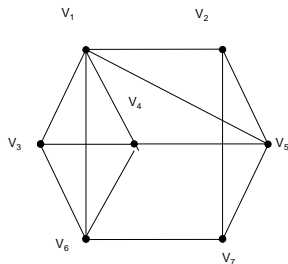
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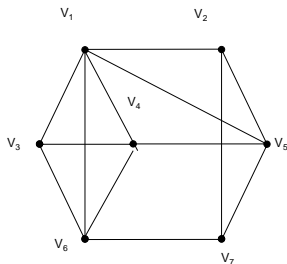
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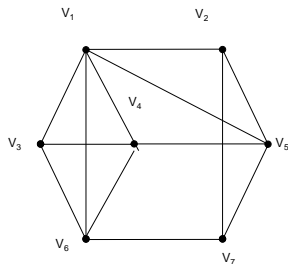
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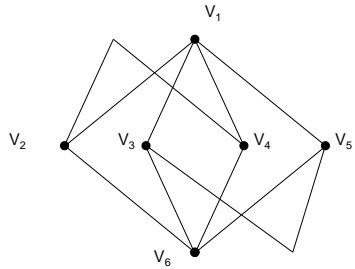
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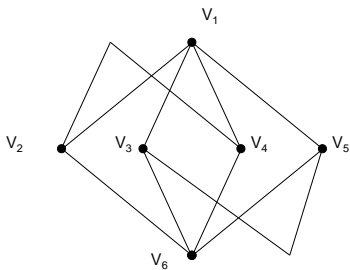
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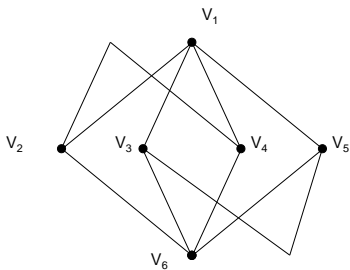
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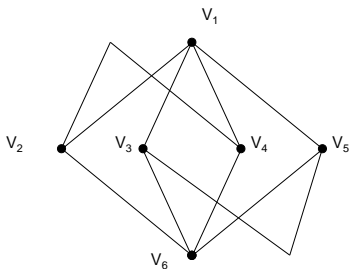




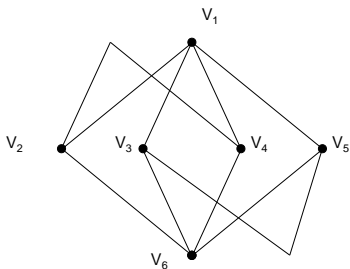
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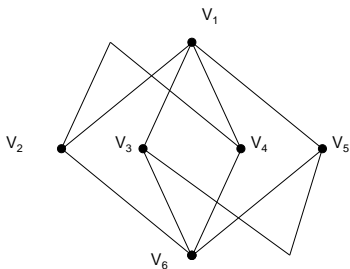
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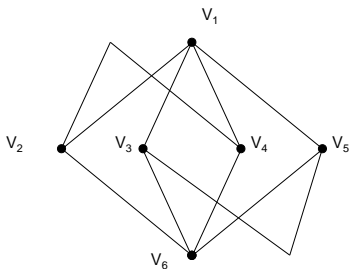
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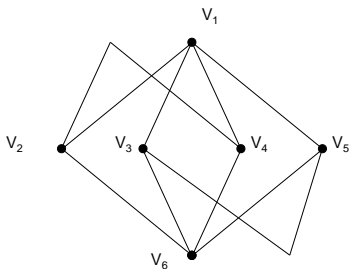
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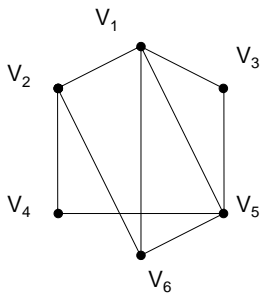


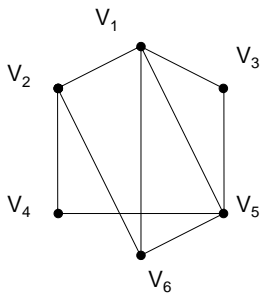
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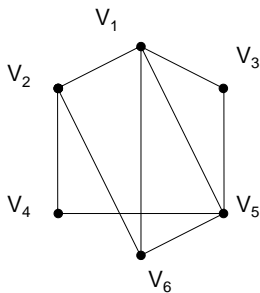
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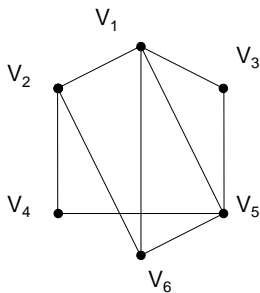




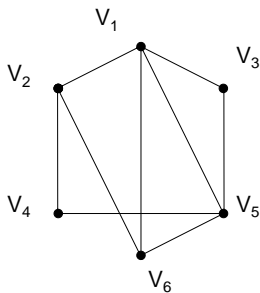
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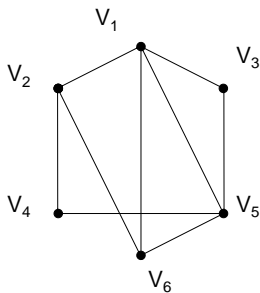
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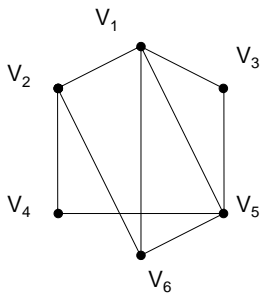
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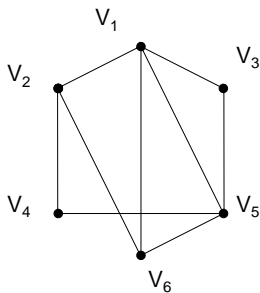
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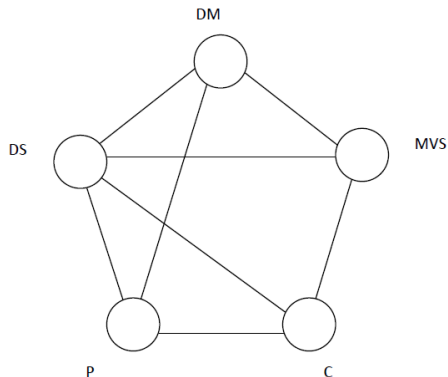
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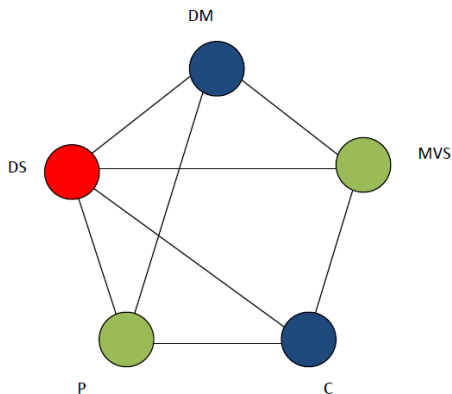
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