

A hand is shown placing a blue L-shaped block onto a larger, colorful geometric structure composed of various other blocks. The structure is built on a light-colored wooden surface. In the background, there are more scattered blocks in green, blue, red, and yellow. The background is a solid light blue.

# EMTH403

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# Lecture Outcomes



After this lecture, you will be able to

- understand some more applications of Eulers theorem for planar graphs.
- understand 3 corollary for planar graphs.

# Euler's Formula (Cont.)

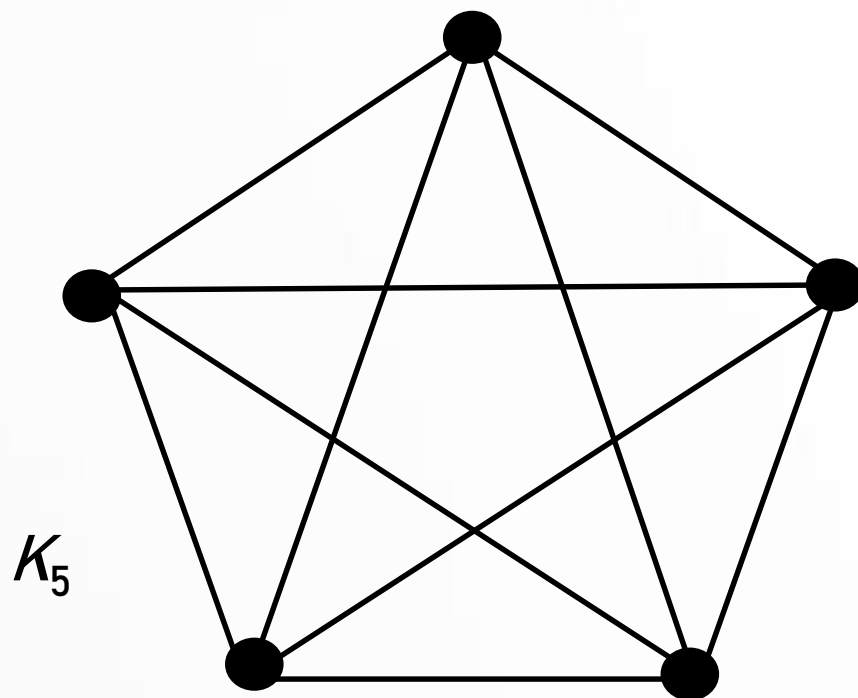
Corollary 1: If  $G$  is a connected planar simple graph with  $e$  edges and  $v$  vertices where  $v \geq 3$ , then  $e \leq 3v - 6$ .

Is  $K_5$  planar?

Yes

No

Answer: No



# Euler's Formula (Cont.)

$K_5$  has 5 vertices and 10 edges.

We see that  $v \geq 3$ .

So, if  $K_5$  is planar, it must be true that  $e \leq 3v - 6$ .

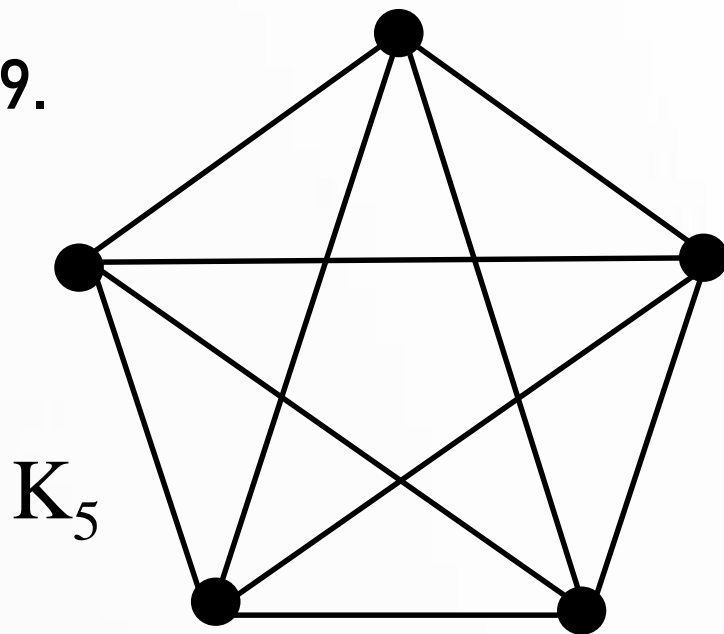
$$3v - 6 = 3 \cdot 5 - 6 = 15 - 6 = 9.$$

So  $e$  must be  $\leq 9$ .

But  $e = 10$ .

10 is not  $\leq 9$ .

So,  $K_5$  is nonplanar.



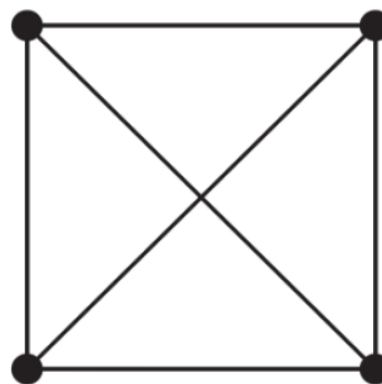
# Euler's Formula (Cont.)

Corollary 1: If  $G$  is a connected planar simple graph with  $e$  edges and  $v$  vertices where  $v \geq 3$ , then  $e \leq 3v - 6$ .

Is  $K_4$  planar?

Yes

No



$K_4$

Answer: Yes

# Euler's Formula (Cont.)

$K_4$  has 4 vertices and 6 edges.

We see that  $v \geq 3$ .

So, if  $K_4$  is planar, it must be true that  $e \leq 3v - 6$ .

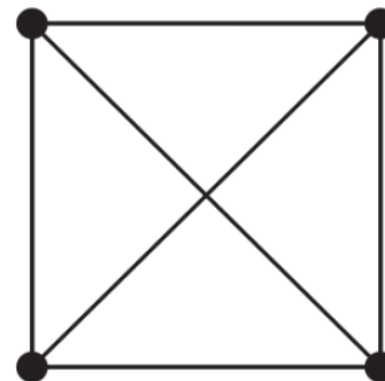
$$3v - 6 = 3 \cdot 4 - 6 = 12 - 6 = 6.$$

So  $e$  must be  $\leq 6$ .

But  $e = 6$ .

6 is  $\leq 6$ .

So,  $K_4$  is planar.



$K_4$

# Euler's Formula (Cont.)

Corollary 2: If  $G$  is a connected planar simple graph, then  $G$  must have a vertex of degree not exceeding 5.

If  $G$  has one or two vertices, it is true;

thus, we assume that  $G$  has at least three vertices.

If the degree of each vertex were at least 6, then by Handshaking Theorem,  $2e \geq 6v$ , i.e.,  $e \geq 3v$ ,

but this contradicts the inequality from Corollary 1:  $e \leq 3v - 6$ .

$$2e = \sum_{v \in V} \deg(v)$$

# Euler's Formula (Cont.)

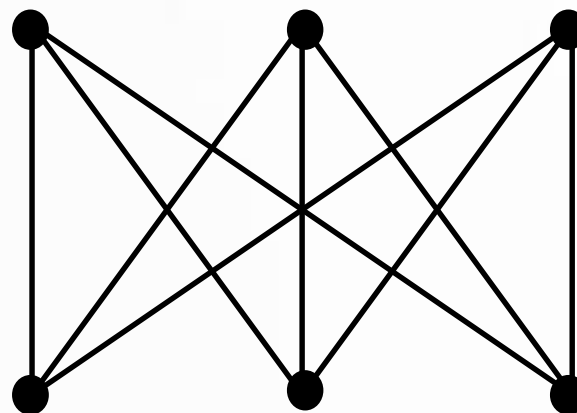
Corollary 3: If a connected planar simple graph has  $e$  edges and  $v$  vertices with  $v \geq 3$  and no circuits of length 3, then  $e \leq 2v - 4$ .

Is  $K_{3,3}$  planar?

Yes

No

Answer: No





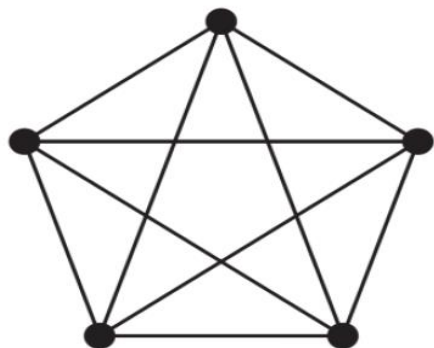
# Theorem 1 (Kuratowski, 1930)

A graph is planar if and only if it does not contain a subgraph that is a  $K_5$  or  $K_{3,3}$  configuration.

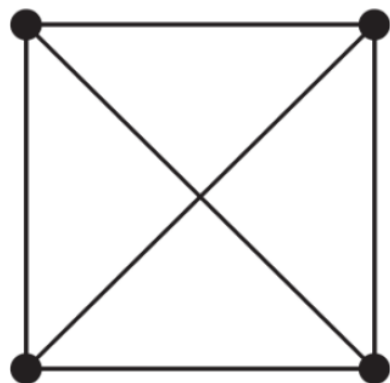
# Euler's Formula (Cont.)

Which of these nonplanar graphs have the property that the removal of any vertex and all edges incident with that vertex produces a planar graph? a)  $K_5$

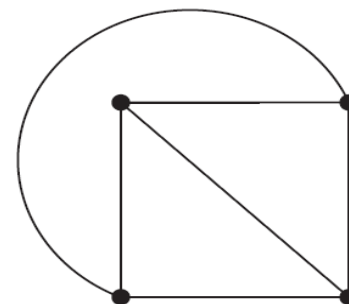
If we remove a vertex from  $K_5$ , then we get  $K_4$ , which is clearly planar.



$K_5$



$K_4$



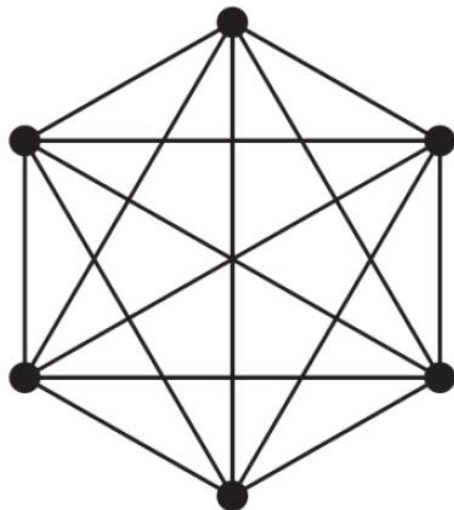
**FIGURE 3**  $K_4$  Drawn with No Crossings.

# Euler's Formula (Cont.)

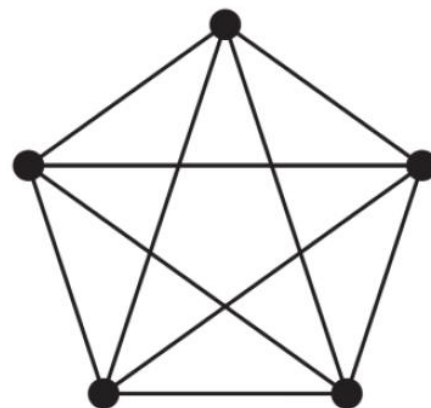
Which of these nonplanar graphs have the property that the removal of any vertex and all edges incident with that vertex produces a planar graph?

b)  $K_6$

If we remove a vertex from  $K_6$ , then we get  $K_5$ , which is not planar. (As shown in previous slide no. 49)



$K_6$



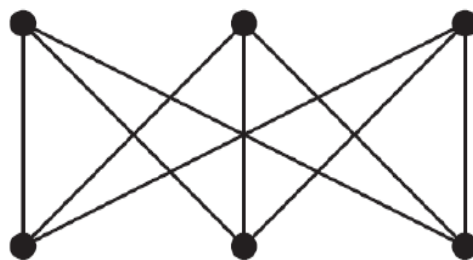
$K_5$

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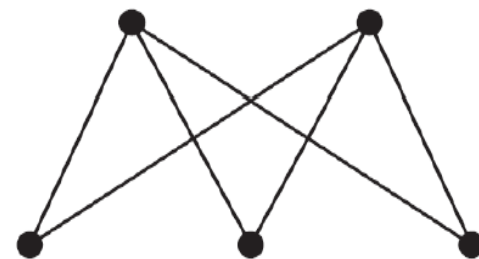
Which of these nonplanar graphs have the property that the removal of any vertex and all edges incident with that vertex produces a planar graph?

c)  $K_{3,3}$

If we remove a vertex from  $K_{3,3}$ , then we get  $K_{3,2}$ , which is clearly planar.



$K_{3,3}$



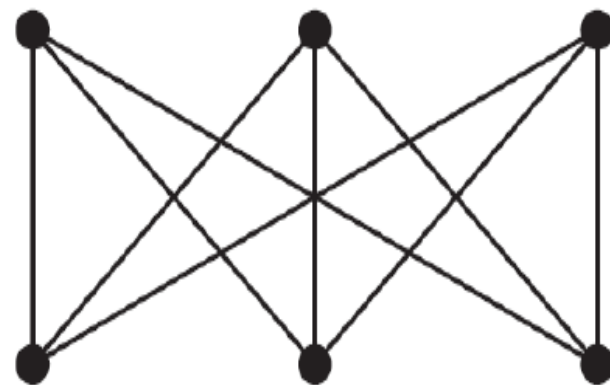
$K_{2,3}$

# Euler's Formula (Cont.)

Which of these nonplanar graphs have the property that the removal of any vertex and all edges incident with that vertex produces a planar graph?

d)  $K_{3,4}$

The answer is no, since we can remove a vertex in the part of size 4 to leave  $K_{3,3}$ , which is not planar. (As discussed earlier in slide 30)



That's all for now...