



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.)

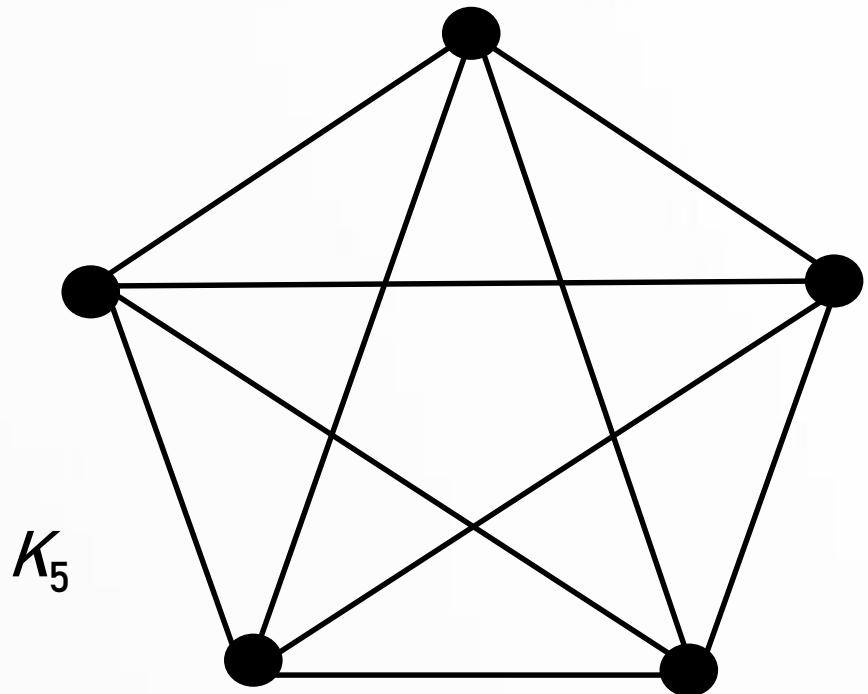
Corollary 1: If G is a connected planar simple graph with e edges and v vertices where $v \geq 3$, then $e \leq 3v - 6$.

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 $e \leq 3v - 6$.

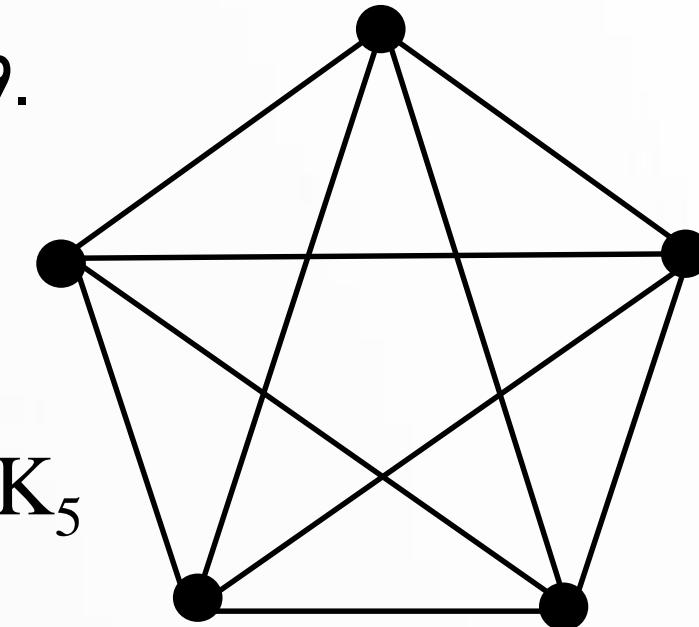
$$3v - 6 = 3*5 - 6 = 15 - 6 = 9.$$

So e must be ≤ 9 .

But $e = 10$.

10 is not ≤ 9 .

So, K_5 is nonplanar.



K_5

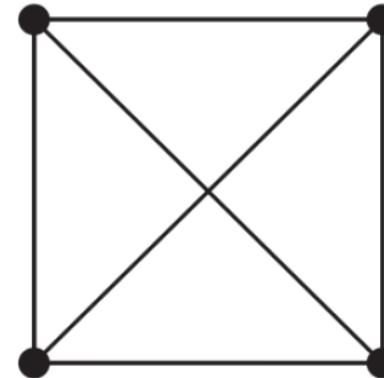
Euler's Formula (Cont.)

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 $v \geq 3$.

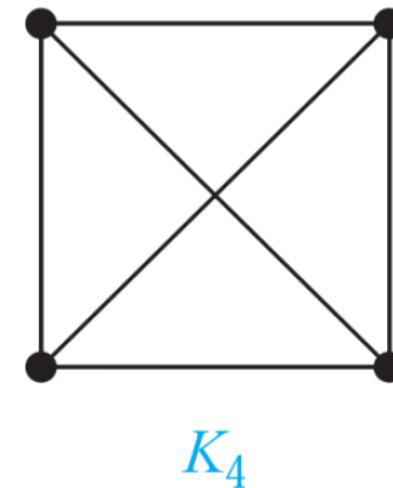
So, if K_4 is planar, it must be true that $e \leq 3v - 6$.

$$3v - 6 = 3*4 - 6 = 12 - 6 = 6.$$

So e must be ≤ 6 .

But $e = 6$.

6 is ≤ 6 .



So, K_4 is planar.

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.)

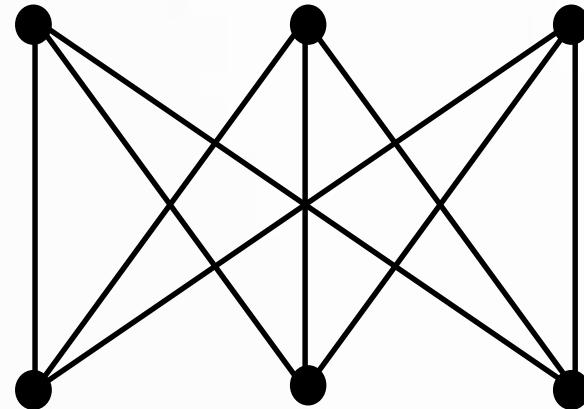
Corollary 3: If a connected planar simple graph has e edges and v vertices with $v \geq 3$ and no circuits of length 3, then $e \leq 2v - 4$.

Is $K_{3,3}$ planar?

Yes

No

Answer: No



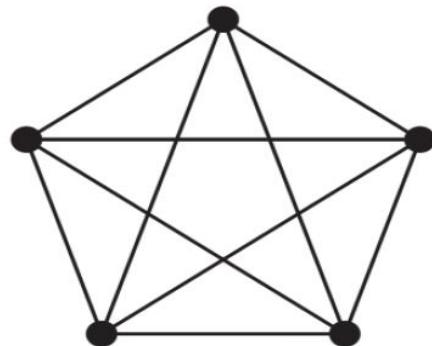
Theorem 1 (Kuratowski, 1930)

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

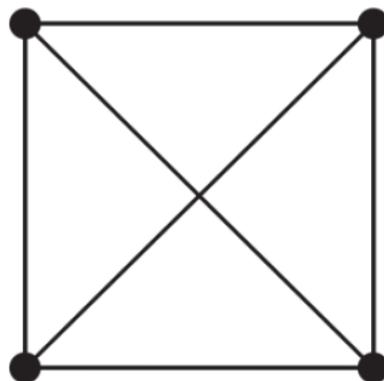
Euler's Formula (Cont.)

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

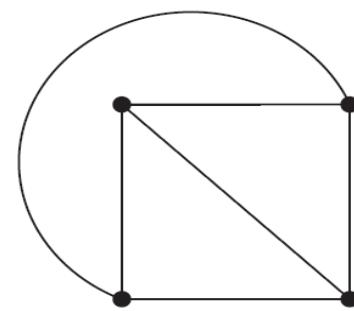


FIGURE 3 K_4 Drawn with No Crossings.

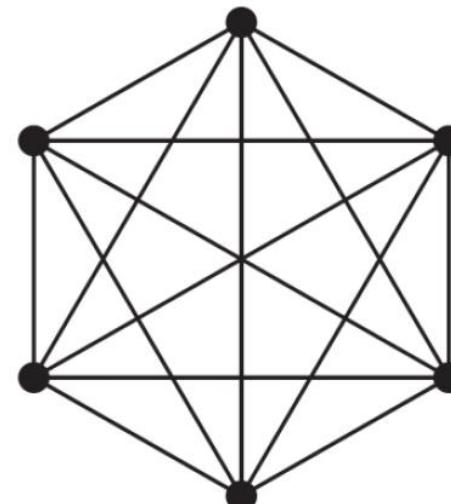
Euler's Formula (Cont.)

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

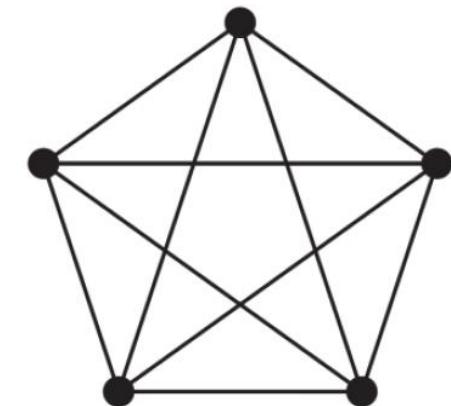
If we remove a vertex from K_6 , then we get K_5 , which is not planar.(As shown in previous slide no. 49)

a



K_6

planar



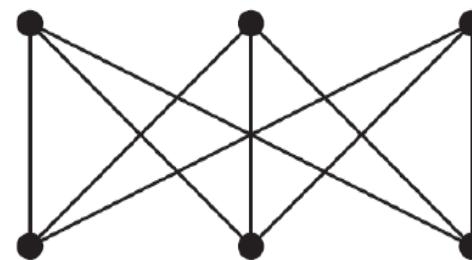
K_5

Euler's Formula (Cont.)

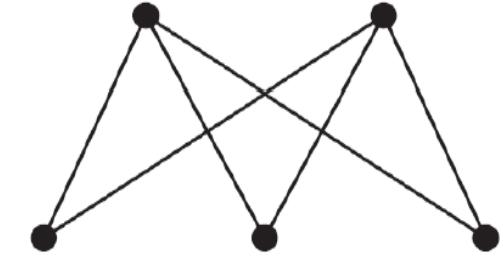
Which of these nonplanar graphs have the property that the removal of any vertex and all edges incident with that vertex produces a planar graph?

c) $K_{3,3}$

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



$K_{3,3}$



$K_{3,2}$

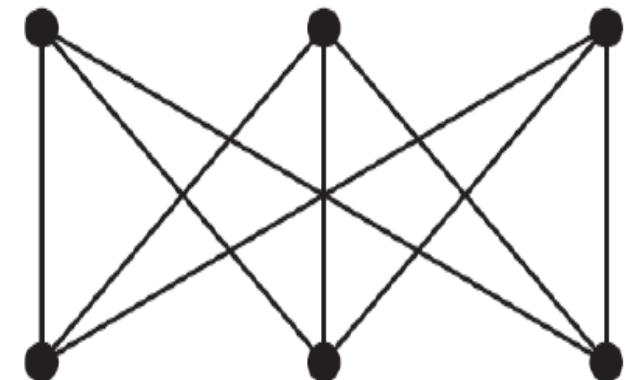
Euler's Formula (Cont.)

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...