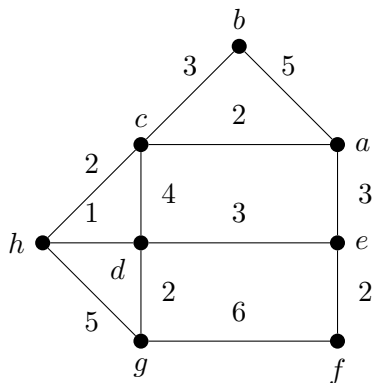
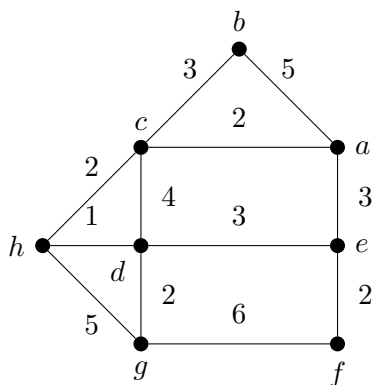


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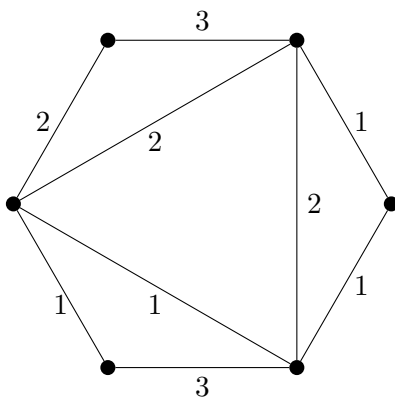
1. A cut of G is *minimal* if there is no cut of G properly contained in it. Prove that the random contraction algorithm returns only minimal cuts.
2. Implement Node Identification Minimum Cut Algorithm. Try it on the following graph:



3. Implement Random Contraction Algorithm. Try it on the following graph. Run it many times and based on your experiment conclude what is the probability that that your algorithm succeeds on this graph.



4. Construct Gomory-Hu Tree for the following graph using the algorithm from the class. Numbers on edges correspond to capacities. Show steps after every new cut.



Check your answer with Sage using method `Graph.gomory_hu_tree()`. Do not implement it yourself, just run it.