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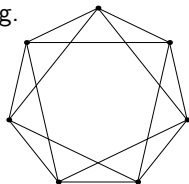
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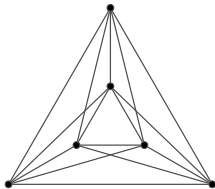
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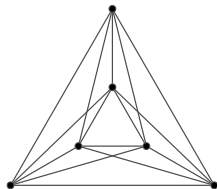
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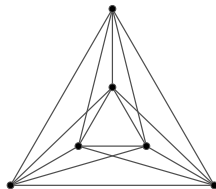


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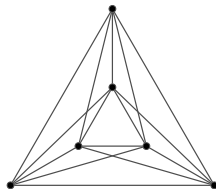
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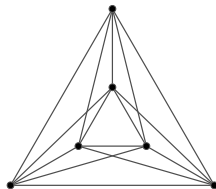
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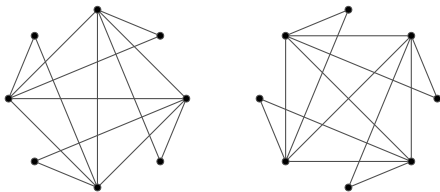
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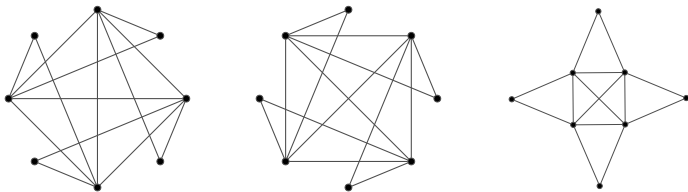
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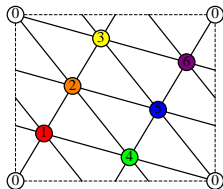
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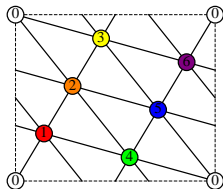
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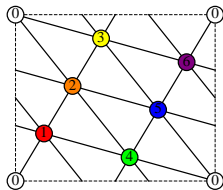
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Embedding on higher genus surfaces changes Euler's formula!

Theorem. Let G be a graph of genus g . Suppose you have an embedding of G on a surface of genus g with no crossings.

If r is the number of regions, then $p - q + r = 2 - 2g$.

Example. In our embedding of K_5 on the torus (genus 1):

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Conjecture. (Guy, 1972) The crossing number of a complete graph is

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The cases $cr(K_{11}) = 100$ and $cr(K_{12}) = 150$ were proved in **2007**.