

MATH 634, Spring 2013

HALF-HOMEWORK 6

to be turned in at 4:30PM on Monday, April 15.

*Background reading: Pearls in Graph Theory*, Sections 8.3, 9.1, 9.2, and 10.1.

Complete the following two problems. You are also expected to be progressing on your project, as described below.

**6-1.** (4 pts)

- (a) Find a graph  $G$  with degree sequence  $(4, 4, 3, 3, 3, 3)$  such that  $G$  is planar.
- (b) Find a graph  $H$  with degree sequence  $(4, 4, 3, 3, 3, 3)$  such that  $H$  is non-planar.

Remember to prove that your examples satisfy the given requirements.

**6-2.** (4 pts) Prove that the graph  $G$  in Figure 9.1.18 (p. 189) is non-planar using two methods:

- (a) Find a subdivision of  $K_{3,3}$  or  $K_5$  that is a subgraph of  $G$ .
- (b) Through a series of edge deletions and edge contractions, show that either  $K_{3,3}$  or  $K_5$  is a minor of  $G$ .

**Project progress.** For *Wednesday, April 17*, you should have progressed further on your Wikipedia project. You must have started editing a draft of your Wikipedia page. You can either be working in your sandbox, or having already transitioned out of your sandbox page into a live Wikipedia page. You should move onto a live wikipedia page once you start to feel that your draft has taken shape.

Once your page is on Wikipedia, other users will start editing the page. This is a natural part of the process even if it is awkward to have outside people contributing and modifying “*your article*”.

Here is a Wikipedia page about the (unattainable) ideal for a Wikipedia page:

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