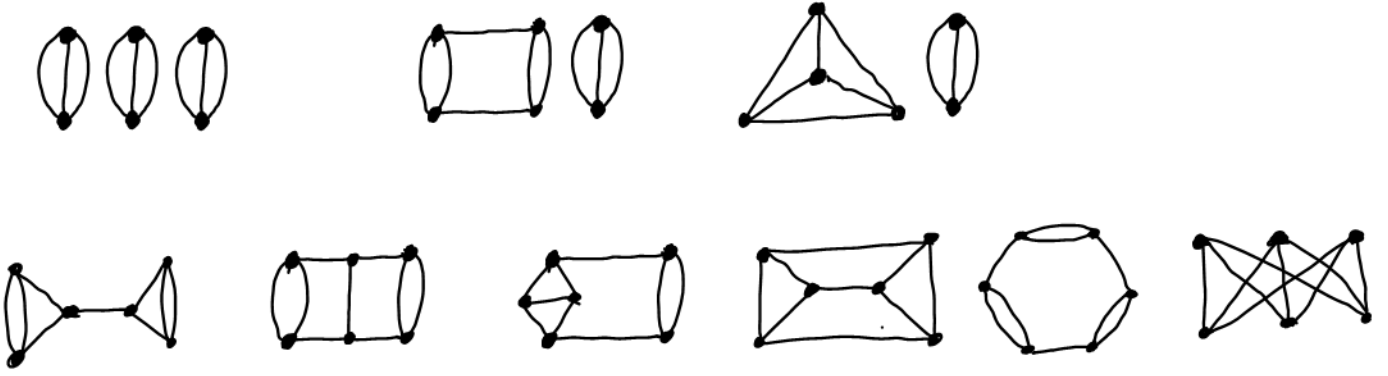
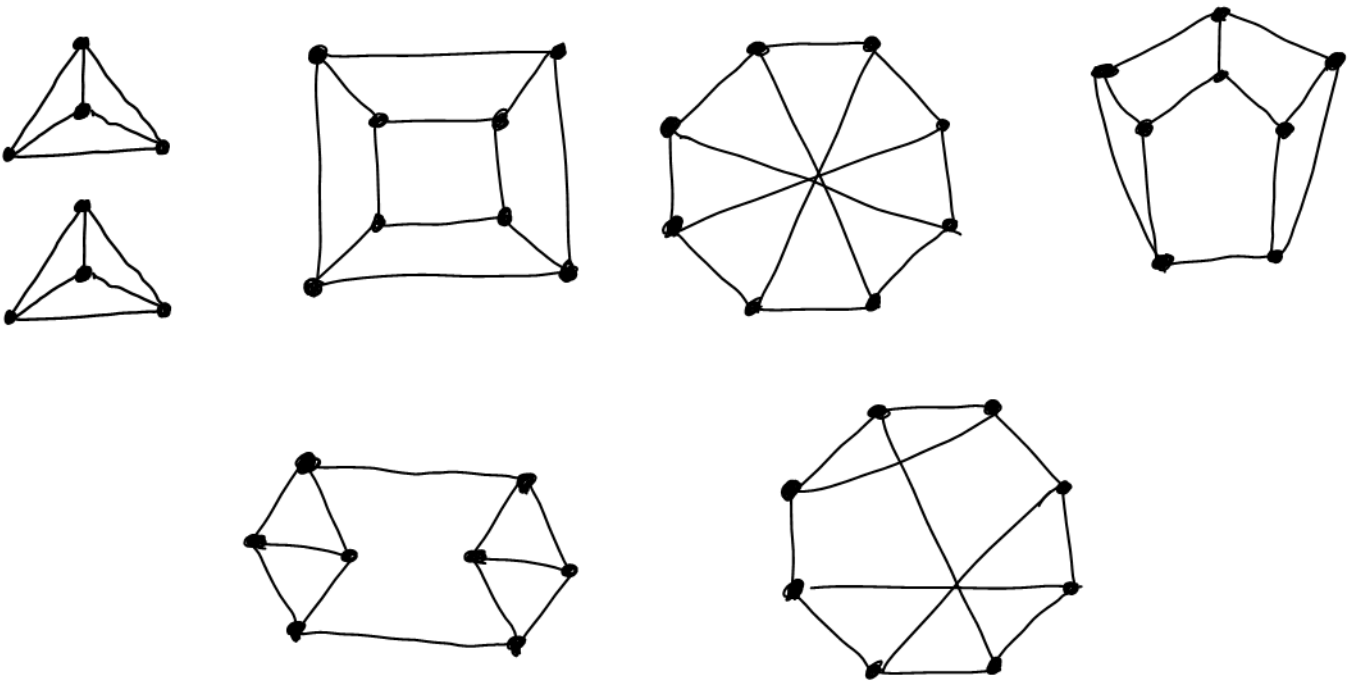


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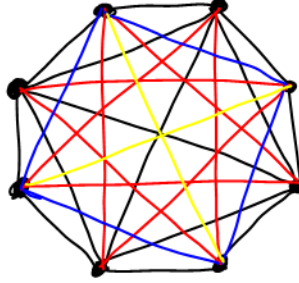
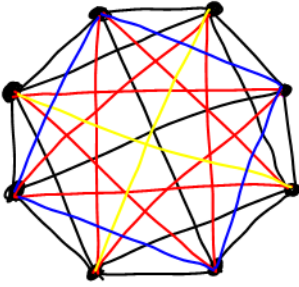
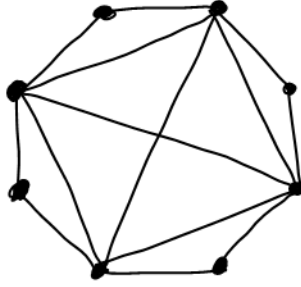
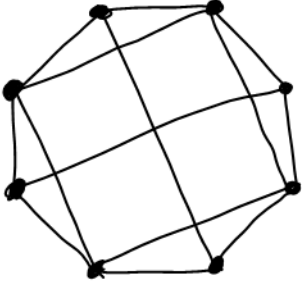
six vertices loopless



eight vertices, simple



2.



(3) Let  $x =$  The number of degree-3 vertices  
 $y =$  The number of degree-4 vertices.

Therefore  $x + y = n$  and

$3x + 4y = 2(2n - 2)$  by the handshaking theorem.

So

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x + 4y = 4n \\ - (3x + 4y = 4n - 4) \\ \hline x = 4 \end{array}$$

(4) (a) Suppose  $E(G) = E(C_1) \cup E(C_2) \cup \dots \cup E(C_n)$

where the cycles are edge disjoint. Thus

for any  $v \in V(G)$ ,  $d_G(v) = 2k$  in which  $k \leq n$  is

the number of cycles among  $C_1, \dots, C_n$  in which

$v$  appears. Thus  $d_G(v)$  is even.

(b) Suppose every vertex of  $G$  has even degree.

We will use induction on  $|E(G)|$  to show that

$E(G)$  is a disjoint union of edge sets of cycles.

Base Case  $|E(G)|=0$

In this case  $E(G) = \emptyset$  is a disjoint union of edge sets of cycles in a vacuous sense.

Induction Step

Suppose that for any graph  $G$  where every vertex

has even degree and  $|E(G)| \in \{0, \dots, n\}$  that

$E(G)$  is a disjoint union of edge sets of cycles.

Show the same is true when  $|E(G)| = n+1$  and every vertex has even degree.

Since every vertex of  $G$  has even degree, we have that there is a cycle  $C \subseteq G$ .

This was proven in class. Now let

$G' = G - E(C)$ . Note that

$$d_{G'}(v) = \begin{cases} d_G(v) & \text{if } v \notin V(C) \\ d_G(v) - 2 & \text{if } v \in V(C) \end{cases}$$

In either case  $d_{G'}(v)$  is even because

$d_G(v)$  is even. Also  $|E(G')| \leq n$  so

by the induction hypothesis,  $E(G')$  is a

disjoint union of edge sets of cycles,

$$E(G') = E(C_1) \cup E(C_2) \cup \dots \cup E(C_m).$$

Thus  $E(G) = E(C_1) \cup E(C_2) \cup \dots \cup E(C_m) \cup E(C)$

which is a disjoint union of edge sets of cycles. 