

## Math 412

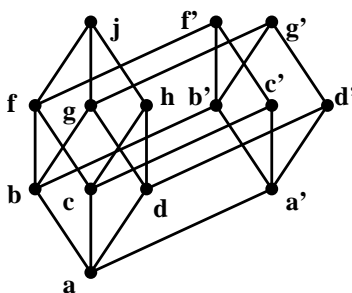
## HW 9

Due Friday, April 26, 2024

Solve four of the next five problems.

1. Let  $(G, \phi)$  be a connected 4-regular plane simple graph in which every vertex lies on two (opposite) faces of length 5 and on two (opposite) faces of length 3. Use Euler's formula to find the number of edges and the number of faces of  $(G, \phi)$

2. Let  $Q_4^*$  denote the graph obtained from the 4-dimensional cube  $Q_4$  by deleting two adjacent vertices (see the picture below). Determine whether  $Q_4^*$  is planar or not and prove your answer.



3. A graph  $H$  is the *square* of a graph  $G$  if  $V(H) = V(G)$  and  $xy$  is an edge in  $H$  if and only if  $x \neq y$  and the distance between  $x$  and  $y$  in  $G$  is at most two. Prove that for  $n \geq 5$ , the square,  $C_n^2$ , of the cycle  $C_n$  is planar if and only if  $n$  is even.

4. For a chess piece  $Q$ , the  $Q$ -graph is the graph whose vertices are the squares of the chess board and the two squares are adjacent if  $Q$  can move from one of them to the other in one move. Find the chromatic number of the  $Q$ -graph when  $Q$  is (a) the king, (b) a rook, (c) a bishop, (d) a knight.

5. Prove or disprove: For every  $n$  and every  $n$ -vertex graph  $G$ ,  $\chi(G) \leq 3\omega(G) + \frac{3n}{\alpha(G)} + 3$ .

Problems below review basic concepts and their ideas could be used in the tests.

WARMUP PROBLEMS: Section 6.1: # 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10. Section 6.2: # 1, 2. Section 5.1: # 1, 4, 7, 8, 12, 14, 15. Section 5.2: # 1, 2, 3. Do not write these up!

OTHER INTERESTING PROBLEMS: Section 6.1: # 18, 25, 27, 29, 30. Section 6.2: # 5, 7, 8, 11. Section 5.1: # 33, 38, 39, 41. Section 5.2: # 6, 8, 9, 15. Do not write these up!