Graph Theory: Homework Set 3

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1. Show that every graph with at most three cycles is planar.
2. Find three non-isomorphic (i.e. different) 5-regular planar graphs.
3. Prove that there is only one 5-regular maximal planar graph.
4. Find two graphs with degree sequence (6, 5, 5, 3, 3, 3), one planar and one non-planar.
5. Find a planar graph with 8 edges that has no plane drawing in which every finite region is convex.
6. Prove that the number of trees with $n - 1 \geq 2$ labelled edges is $n^{n-3}$.
7. Let $n = 2^p$. Show that $K^{n+1}$ is not the union of $p$ bipartite graphs but that $K^n$ is. Deduce that if there are $2^p + 1$ points in the plane then some three of them determine an angle of size at least $\pi (1 - 1/p)$.
8. Complete the proof of Wagner’s Theorem given in the book by showing that every pentagon (with no crossing edges) is star-shaped. Is the same true for hexagons?