

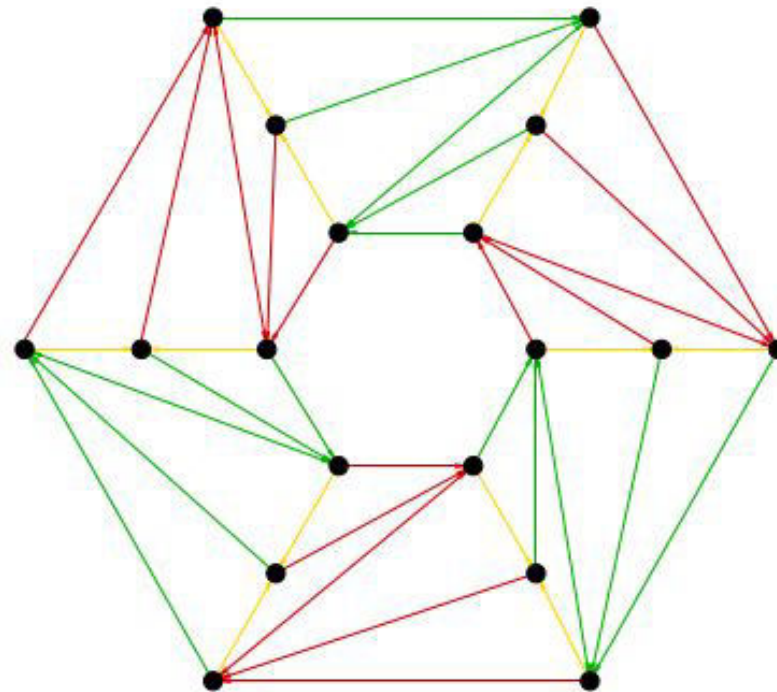
# Planar Right Groups

– cayley graphs of semigroups –

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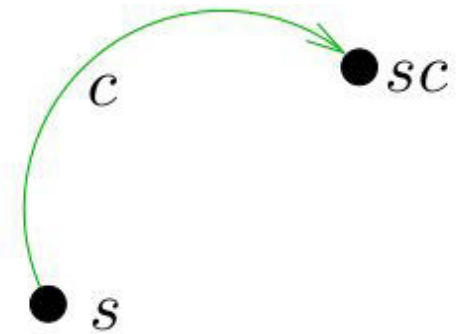
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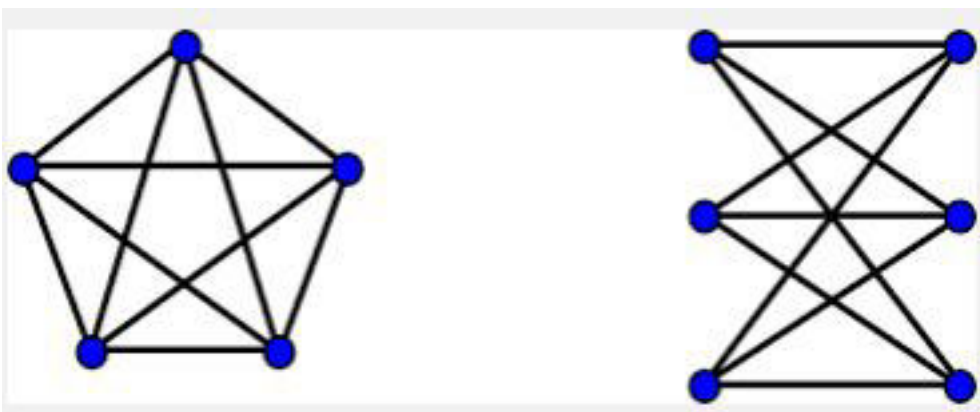
## directed (right) cayley graph

$S$  semigroup and  $C \subseteq S$  then  $\text{Cay}(S, C) := (V, A)$ ,  
where  $V = S$  and  $(s, t) \in A$  iff  $sc = t$  for some  $c \in C$ .



## planar group

$G$  group planar if there is **generating set**  $C \subseteq G$  such that  $\text{Cay}(G, C)$  is planar



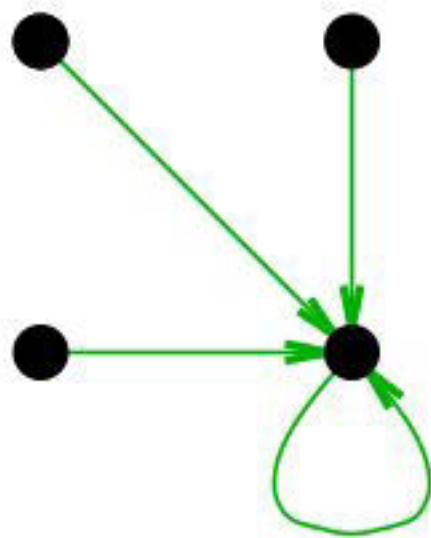
$$L_4 = \langle a, b, c, d \mid xy = x \rangle$$

$$C = \{a, b, c, d\}$$



$$R_4 = \langle a, b, c, d \mid xy = y \rangle$$

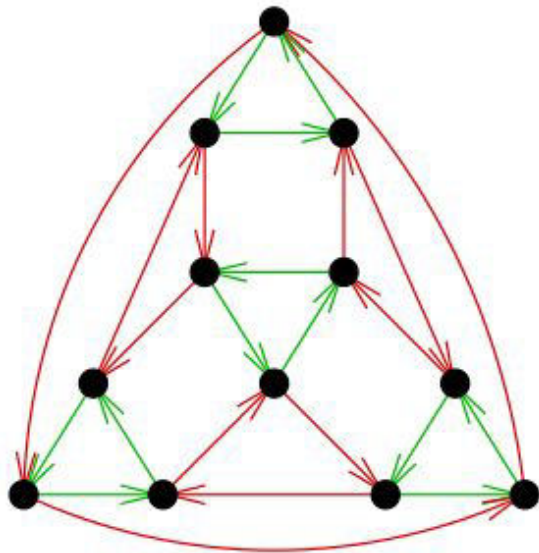
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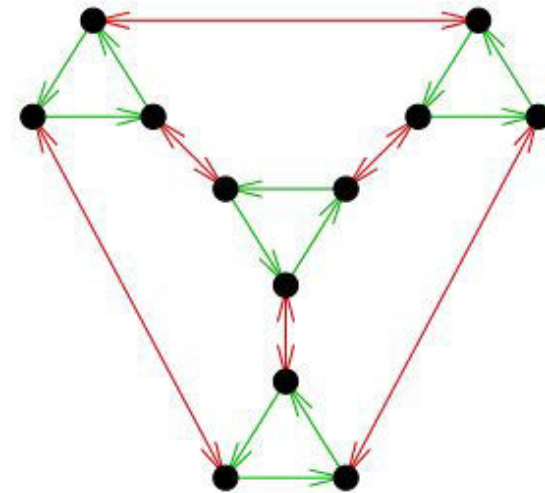
## Maschke's Theorem 1896

the (finite) planar groups are exactly:

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... the discrete isometry groups of the sphere.



$\text{Cay}(A_4, \{(123), (234)\})$



$\text{Cay}(A_4, \{(123), (12)(34)\})$

## Planar groups (Maschke 1896)

$Z_n$   
cyclic

$D_n, A_4, S_4, A_5, Z_2 \times A_4, Z_2 \times Z_{2n}$   
all with 2 generators  $a, b$   
and

$Z_2 \times D_{2n}, Z_2 \times S_4, Z_2 \times A_5$   
with 3 generators  $a, b, c$  of order 2

Note that

$$Z_2 \times Z_{2n+1} = Z_{4n+2}$$

$$Z_2 \times D_{2n+1} = D_{4n+2}$$

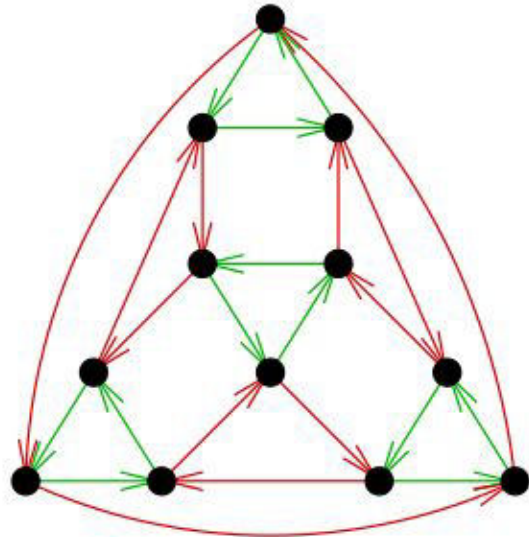
$Z_2 \times A_5$  can be generated by two elements, but then the Cayley graph will not be planar.



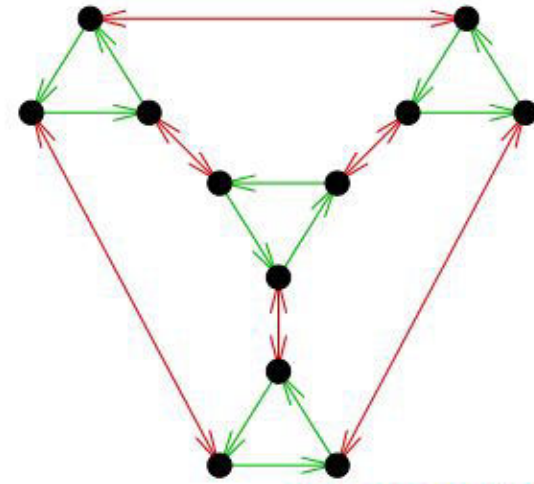
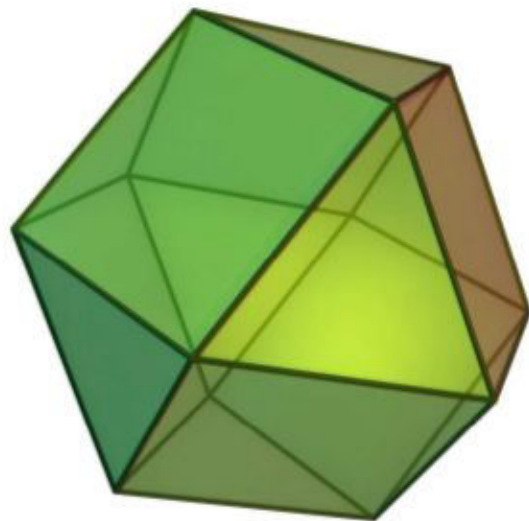
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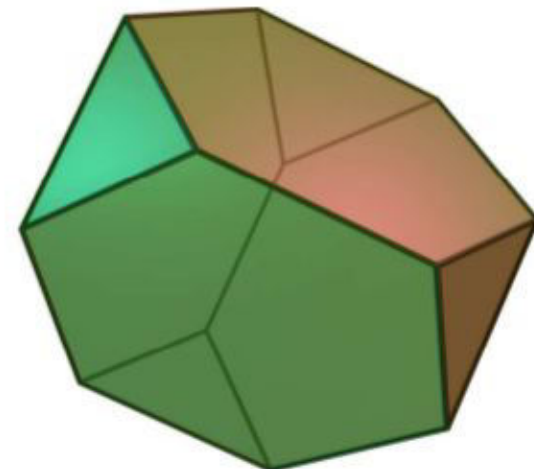
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Cuboctahedron



Truncated Tetrahedron

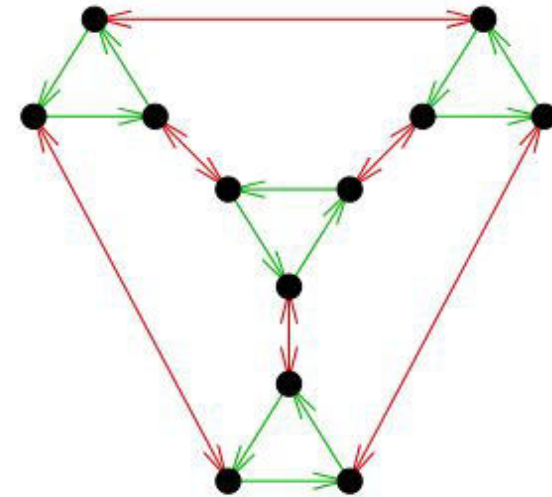
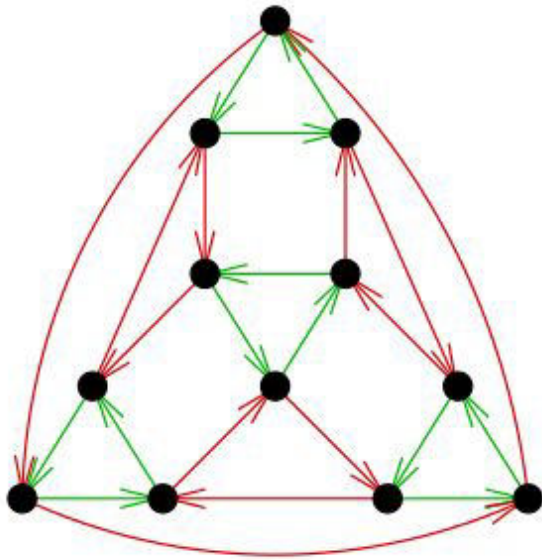




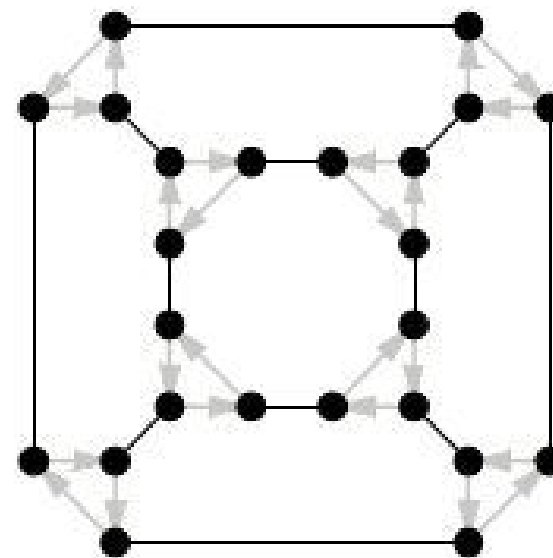
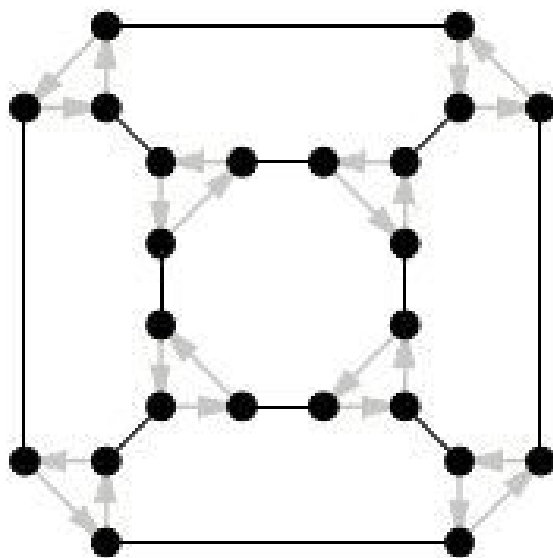
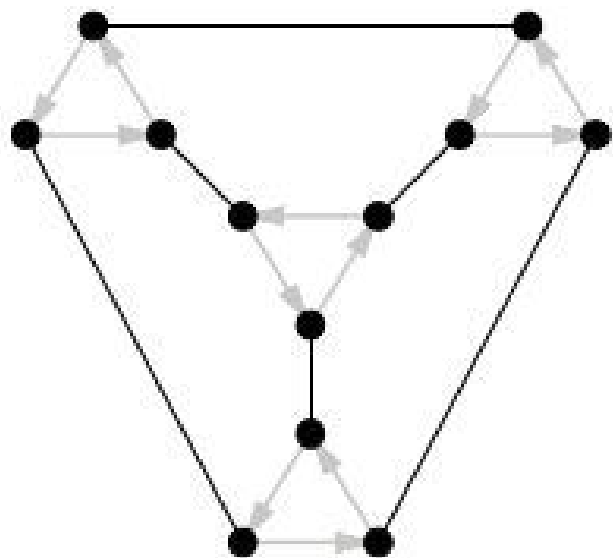
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This was Cayley's original theorem (direction and color preserving graph automorphisms). Later R. Frucht constructed (undirected and uncolored) graphs with the same automorphism group. Again later, Z. Hedrlin, A. Pultr and finally P. Hell generalized this to monoids.



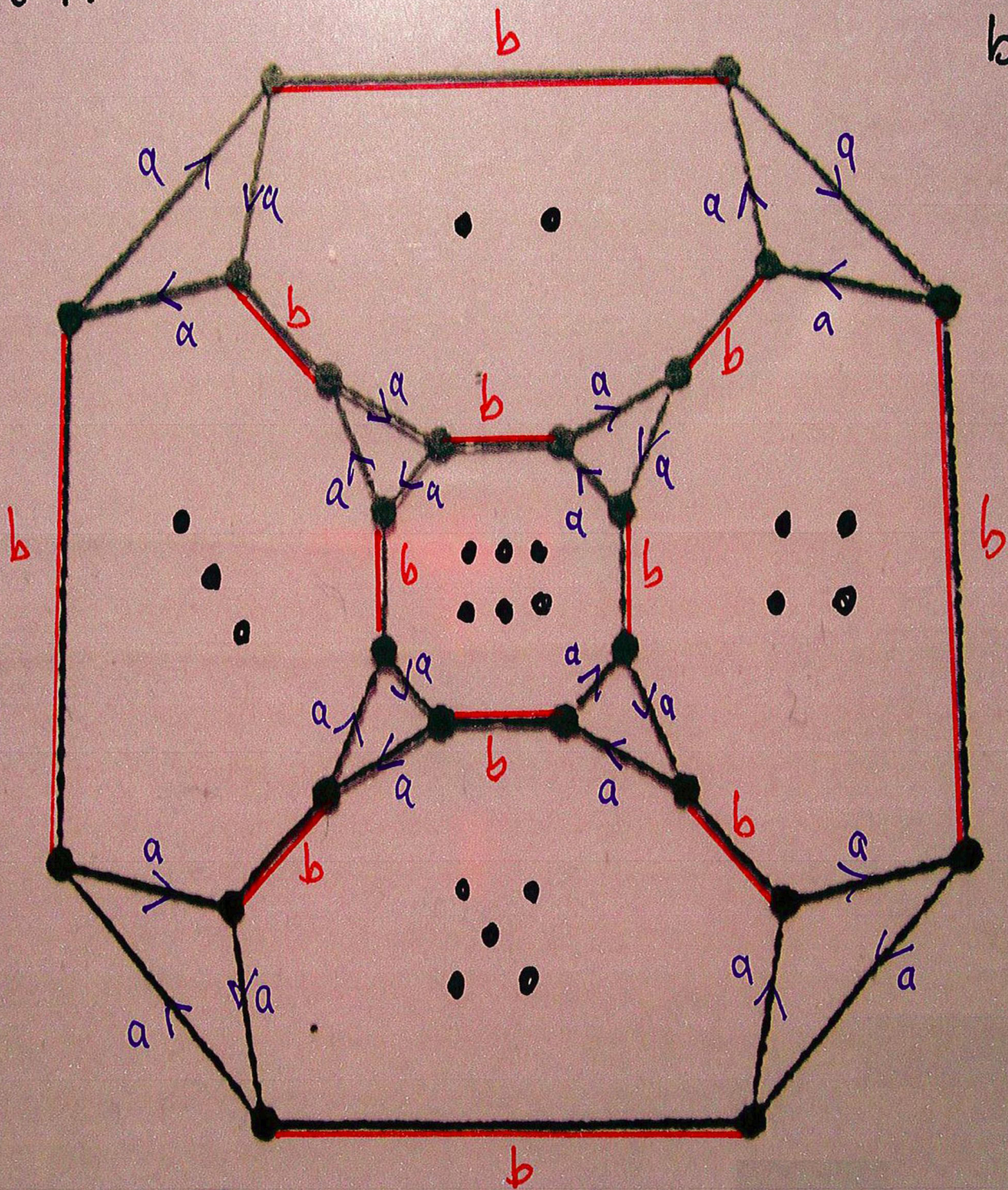
## Truncated Cubes

Figure 1: From left to right: the plane Cayley graphs  $\text{Cay}(A_4, \{(12)(34), (123)\})$ ,  $\text{Cay}(S_4, \{(123), (34)\})$ , and  $\text{Cay}(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times A_4, \{(0, (123)), (1, (12)(34))\})$ .



Cay( $S_4, \{a, b\}$ )

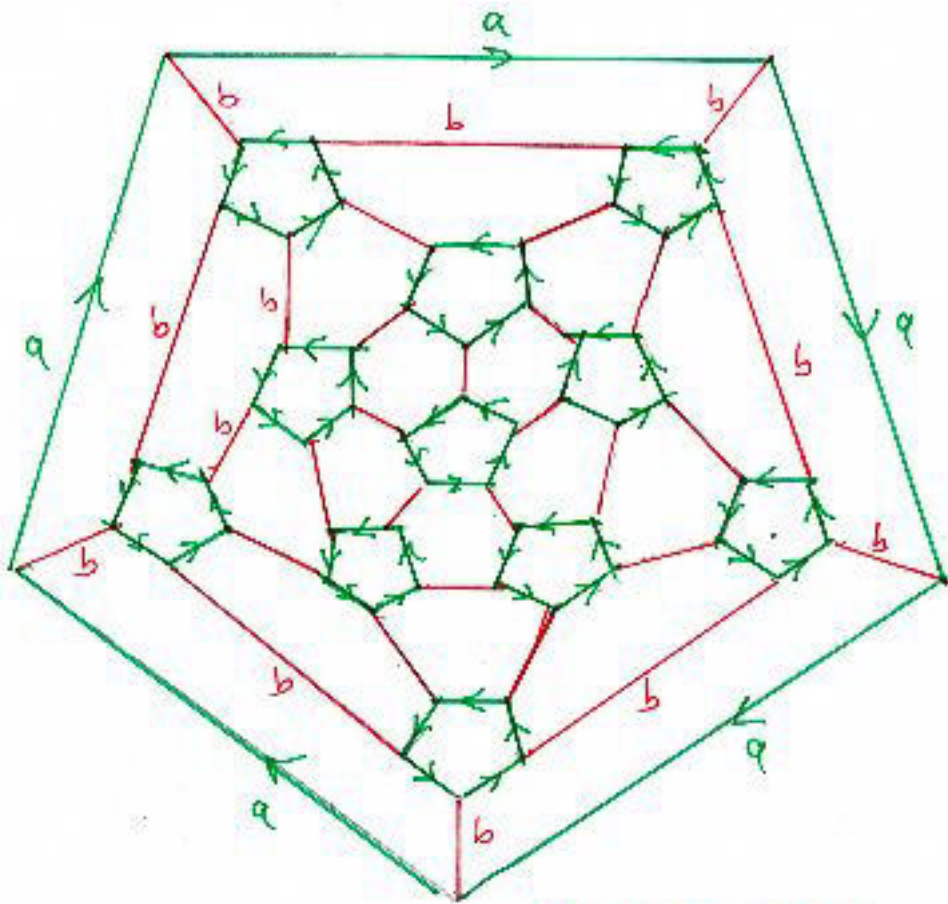
$a = (123)$   
 $b = (24)$



Truncated cube

All automorphisms are color preserving

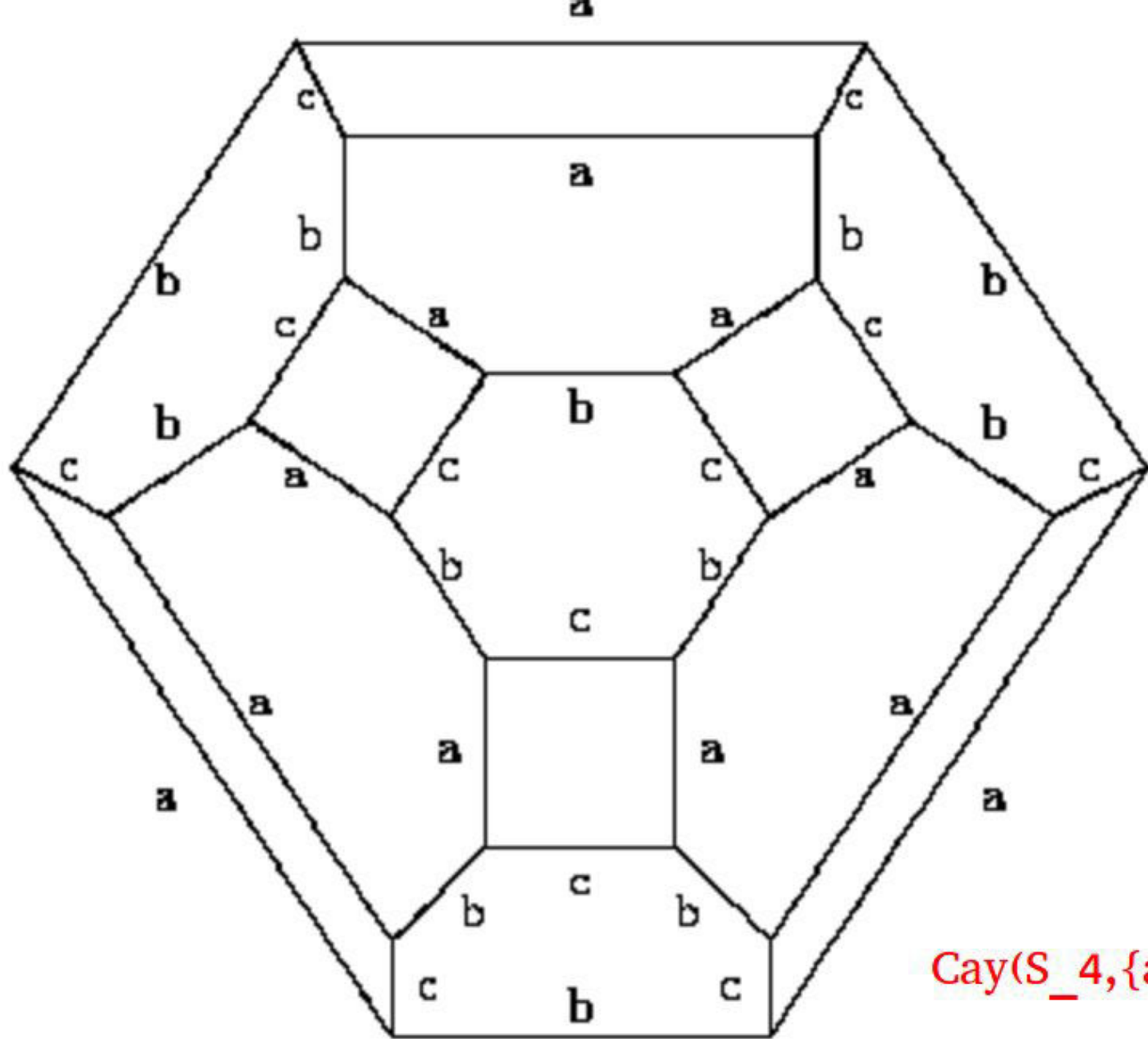




$\text{Cay}(A_5, \{a, b\})$

Truncated Icosahedron

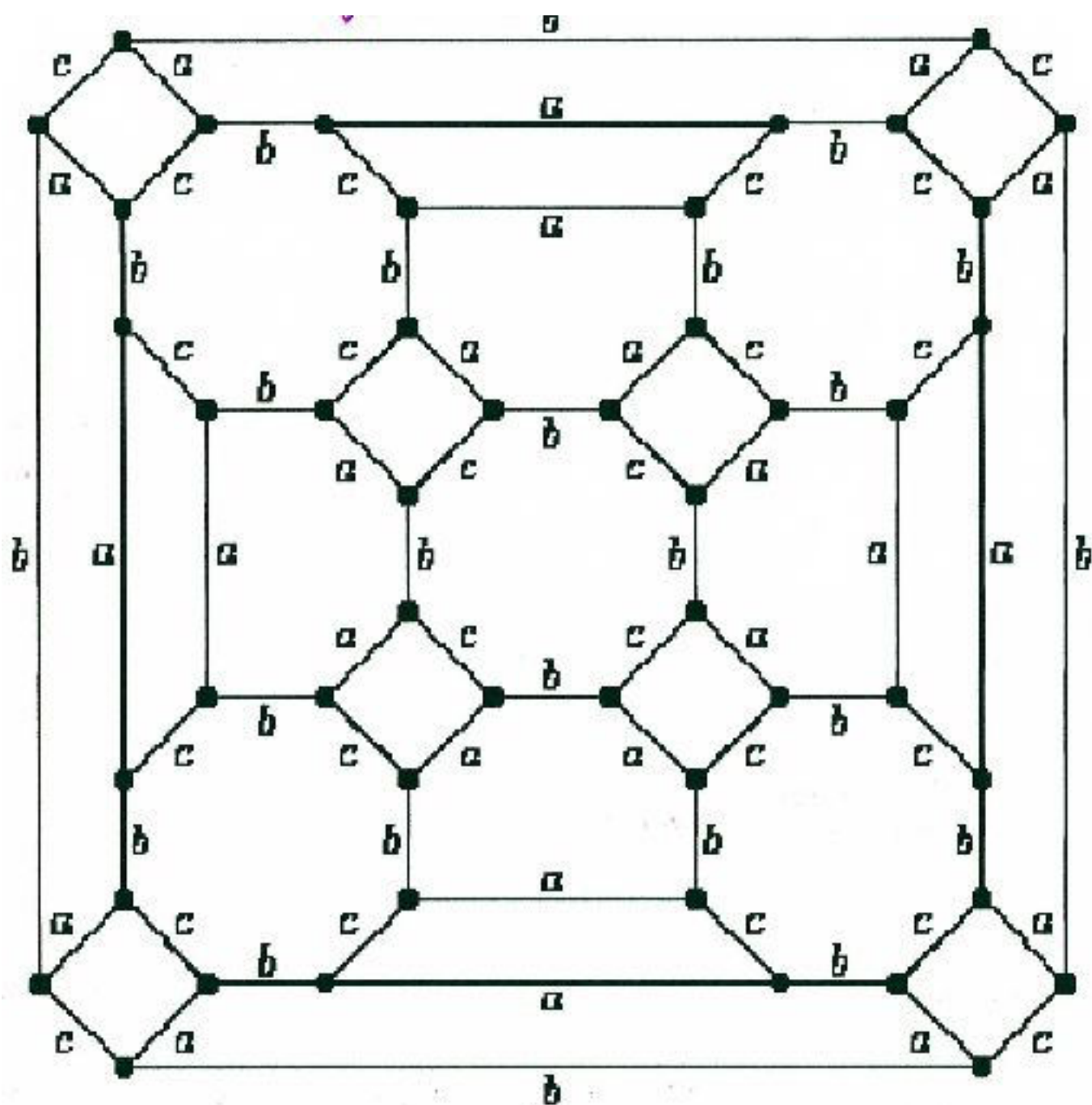
All automorphisms are color preserving



$\text{Cay}(S_4, \{a, b, c\})$

Truncated Octahedron

Figure 1: The Cayley graph of the symmetries of the tetrahedron

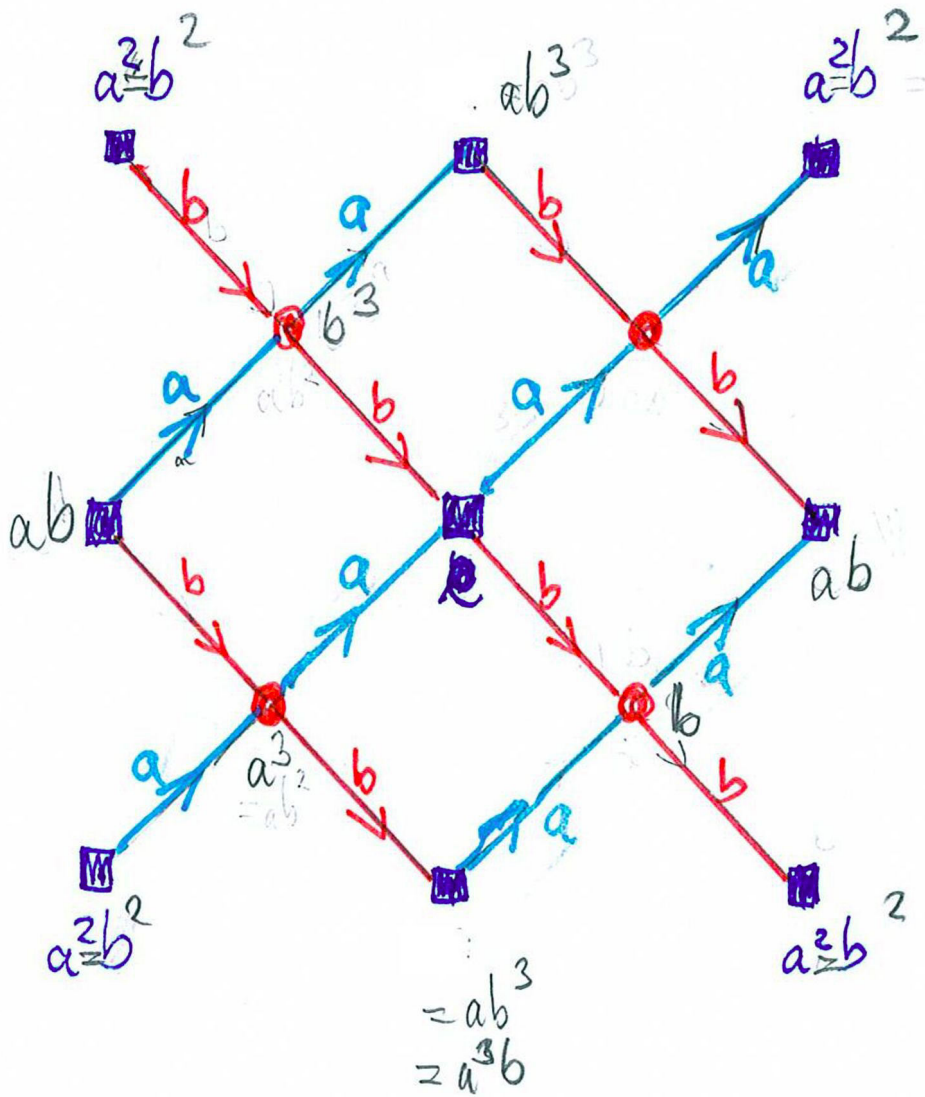


The Cayley graph of the symmetries of the cube.

Great Rhombicuboctaheron

$\text{Cay}(Z_2 \times S_4, \{a, b, c\})$

Quaternions  $Q = \{a, b; a^4 = b^4 = (ab)^2 = e\}$



$K_{4,4}$



A.T. White, Graphs and groups on surfaces, Elsevier 2001:

group	genus
Finite planar abelian iff: $Z_n, Z_2 \times Z_{2n}, (Z_2)^3$	0
$(Z_2)^4$	1
$(Z_2)^5$	5
$(Z_2)^n, n > 1$	$1 + (n-4)2^{(n-3)}$
$Z_n \times D_n, n > 1$ odd	1
$(Z_3)^3$	7
$S_5$	4
$S_n, n > 167$	$1 + n!/168$
$A_n, n > 167$	$< 1 + n!/336$
$(Z_2)^n \times Q$	$n2^n + 1$
$(Z_2)^n \times Q \times Z_m, m$ odd	$mn2^n + 1$

Automorphism group of the  
generalized Petersen graph  $G(8,3)$ ,  
which has 96 elements, has

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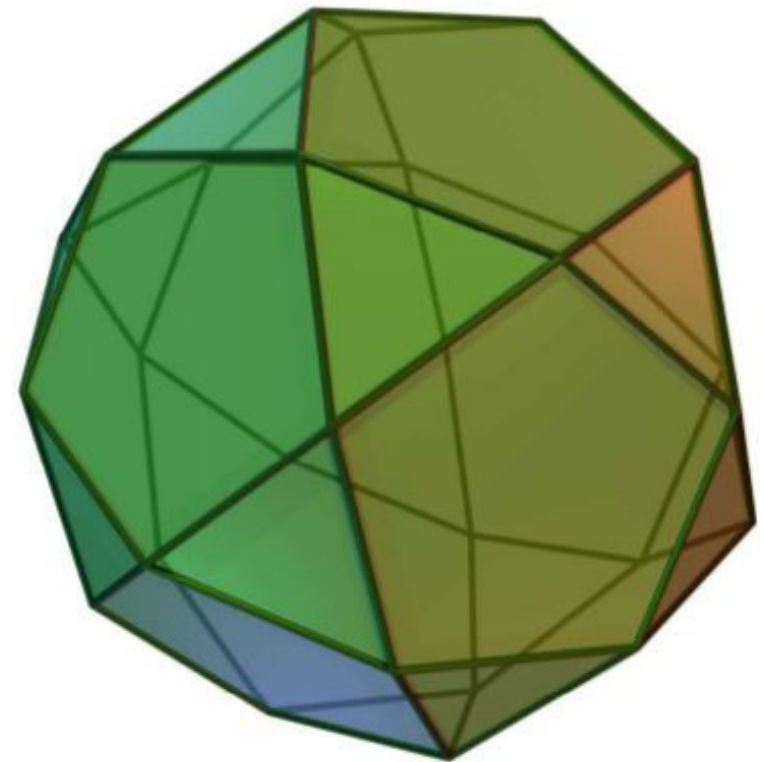
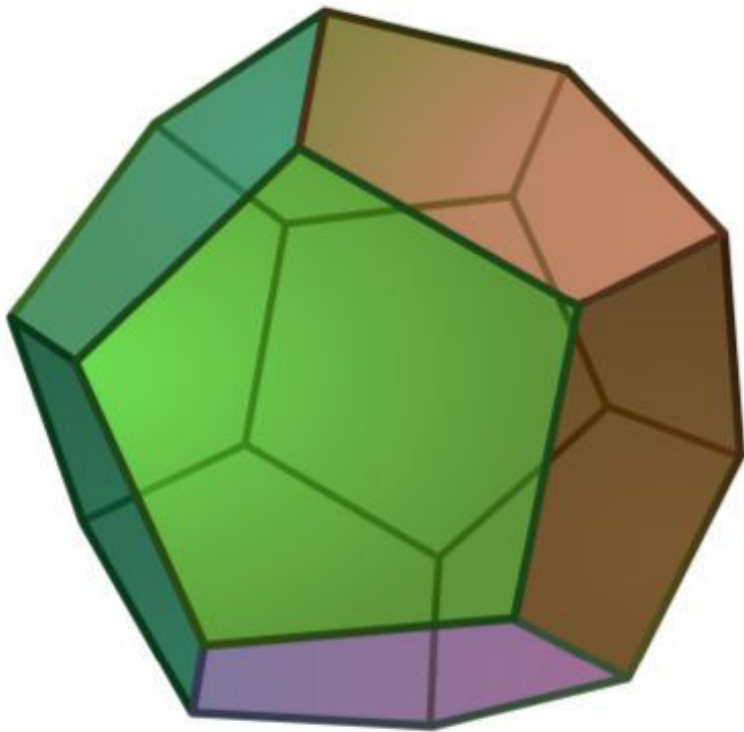
$\{a, b, c; a^2 = b^2 = c^2 = (ab)^2 = (bc)^3 = (ac)^8 = b(ac)^4 b(ac)^4 = e\}$

The smallest (by order) groups with  
are non-abelian with 32 elements

unknown genus

... actually

planar Cayley graphs of these groups are exactly graphs of Platonic and Archimedean solids **but** the Dodecahedron and the Icosidodecahedron.



# elements	groups	#semigroups
1	1	1
2	$Z_2$	4
3	$Z_3$	18
4	$Z_4, Z_2 \times Z_2$	126
5	$Z_5$	1.160
6	$Z_6, D_3=S_3$	15.973
7	$Z_7$	836.021
8	$Z_8, (Z_2)^3, Z_2 \times Z_4, D_4, Q$	1.843.120.128
9	$Z_9, Z_3 \times Z_3$	? [Grillet 1996]

$n$	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<i>All</i>	4	18	126	1 160	15 973	836 021	1 843 120 128
<i>Commutative</i>	3	12	58	325	2 143	17 291	221 805

$n$	9	10
<i>Commutative</i>	11 545 843	3 518 930 337
<i>Commutative Clifford</i>	25 284	161 698

There are so many Semigroups!

## right groups

right zero band

$$R_n := \langle r_1, \dots, r_n \mid xy = y \rangle$$

right group

$$G \times R_n \text{ for some group } G$$

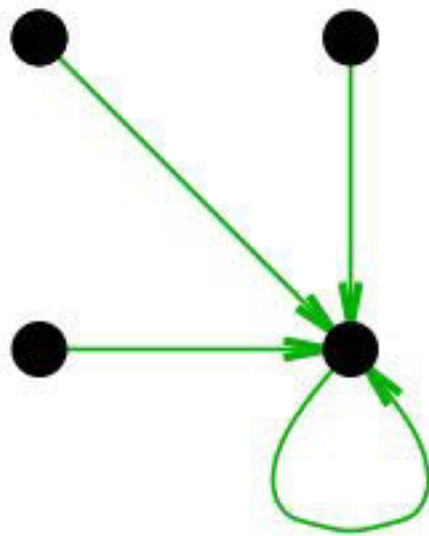
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$$C = \{a\}$$





# Planar Right Cayley Graphs of

Left zero

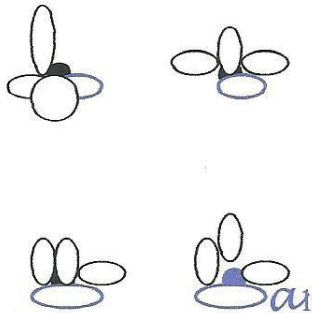
Right zero

Semigroups

$L_4 =$

$$\langle a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \mid a_i a_j = a_i \rangle$$

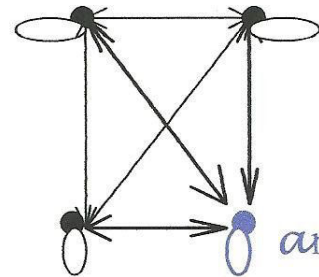
$$C = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4\}$$



$R_4 =$

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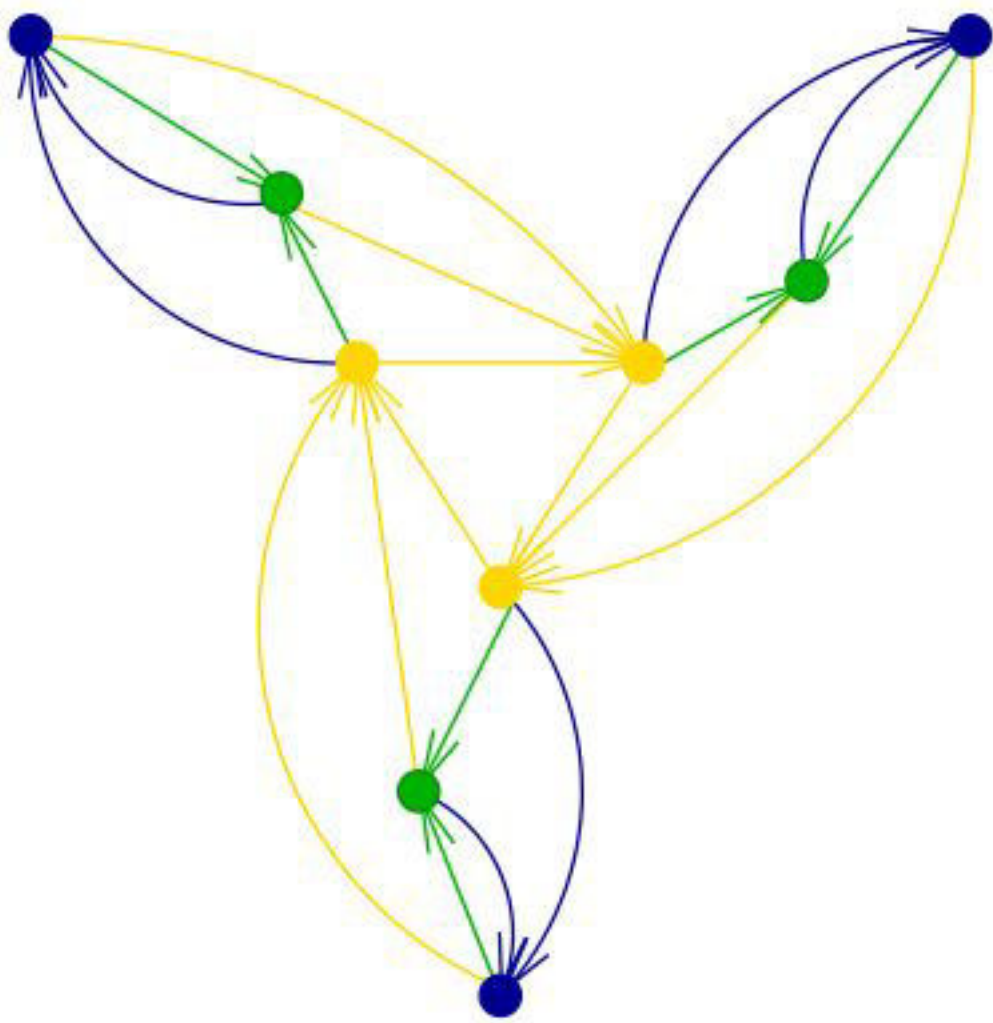


So all left zero semigroups are planar,  
all right zero semigroups starting from  $R_5$  are not planar

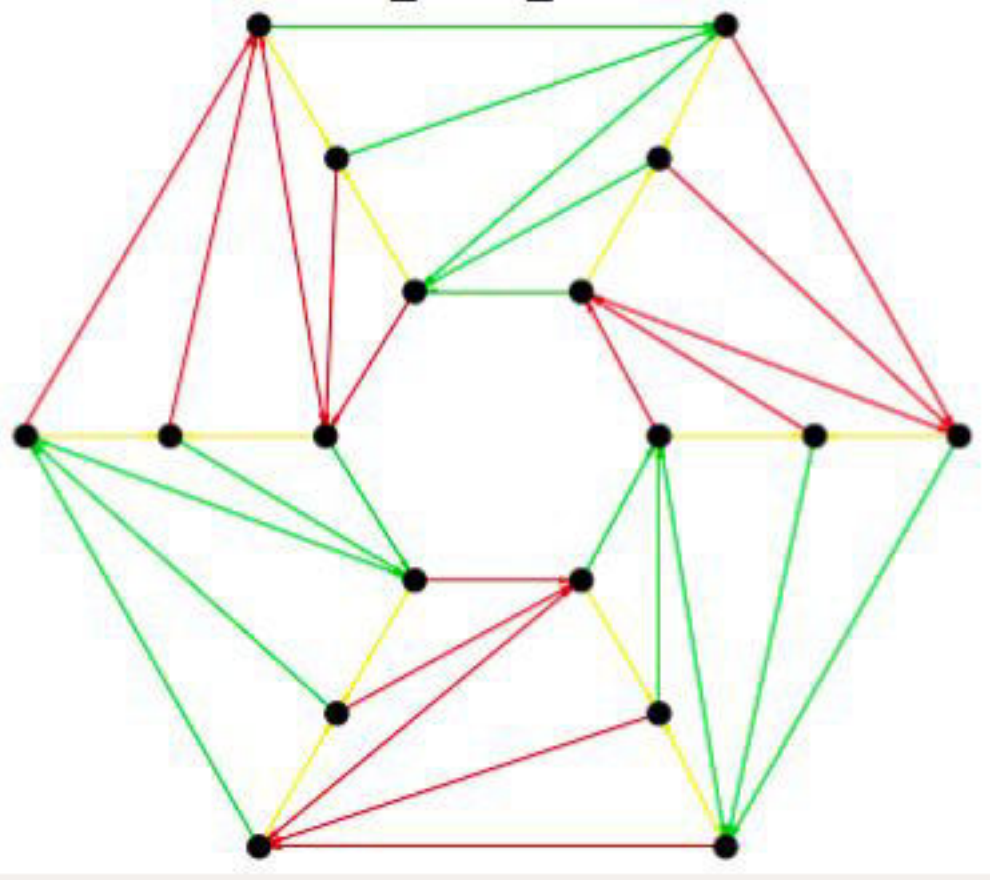
$\text{Cay}(R_5, \{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5\})$  is  $K_5$  with loops



$\text{Cay}(\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{R}_3, \{(1, r_1), (0, r_2), (0, r_3)\})$



D\_3 x R\_3



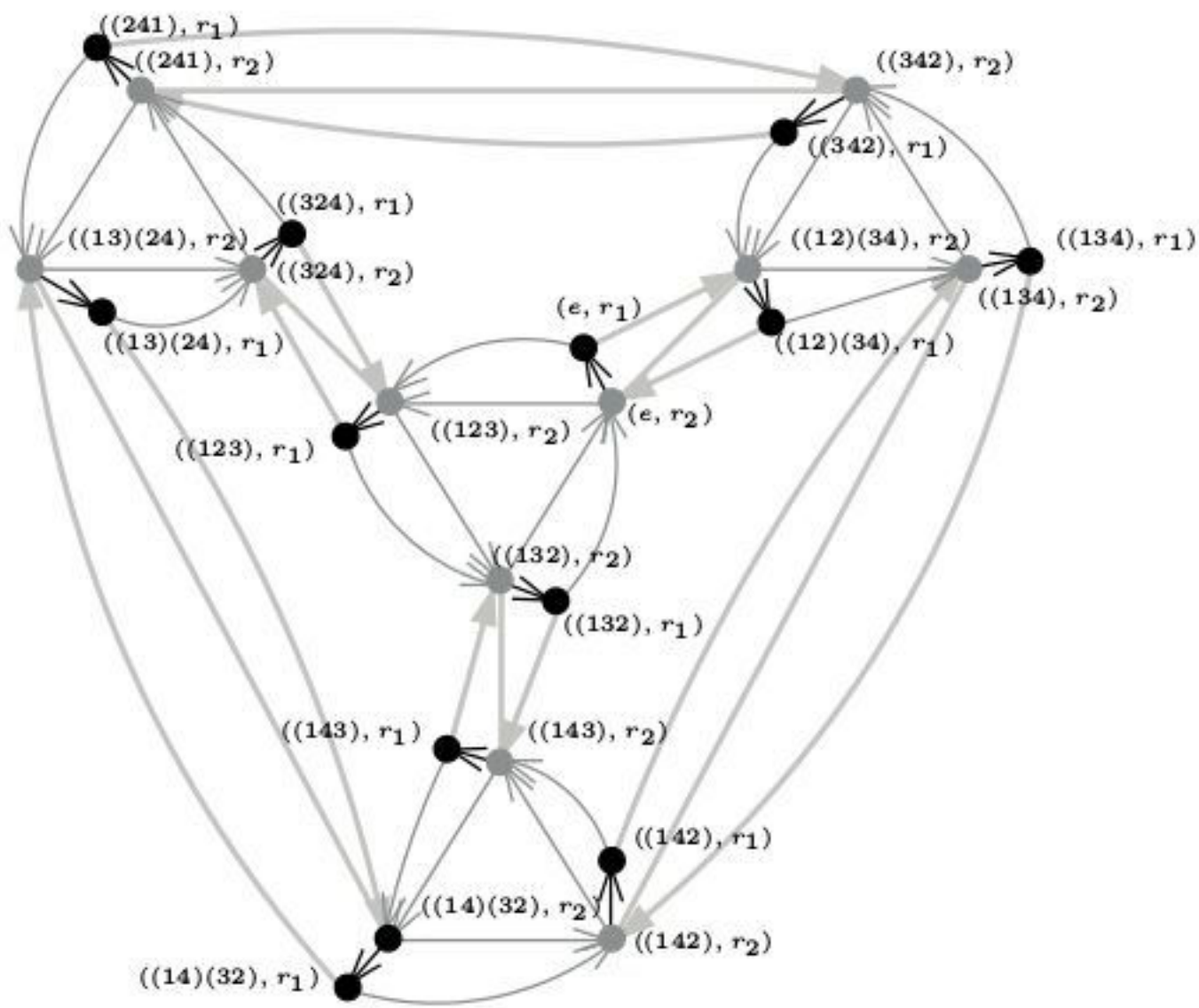
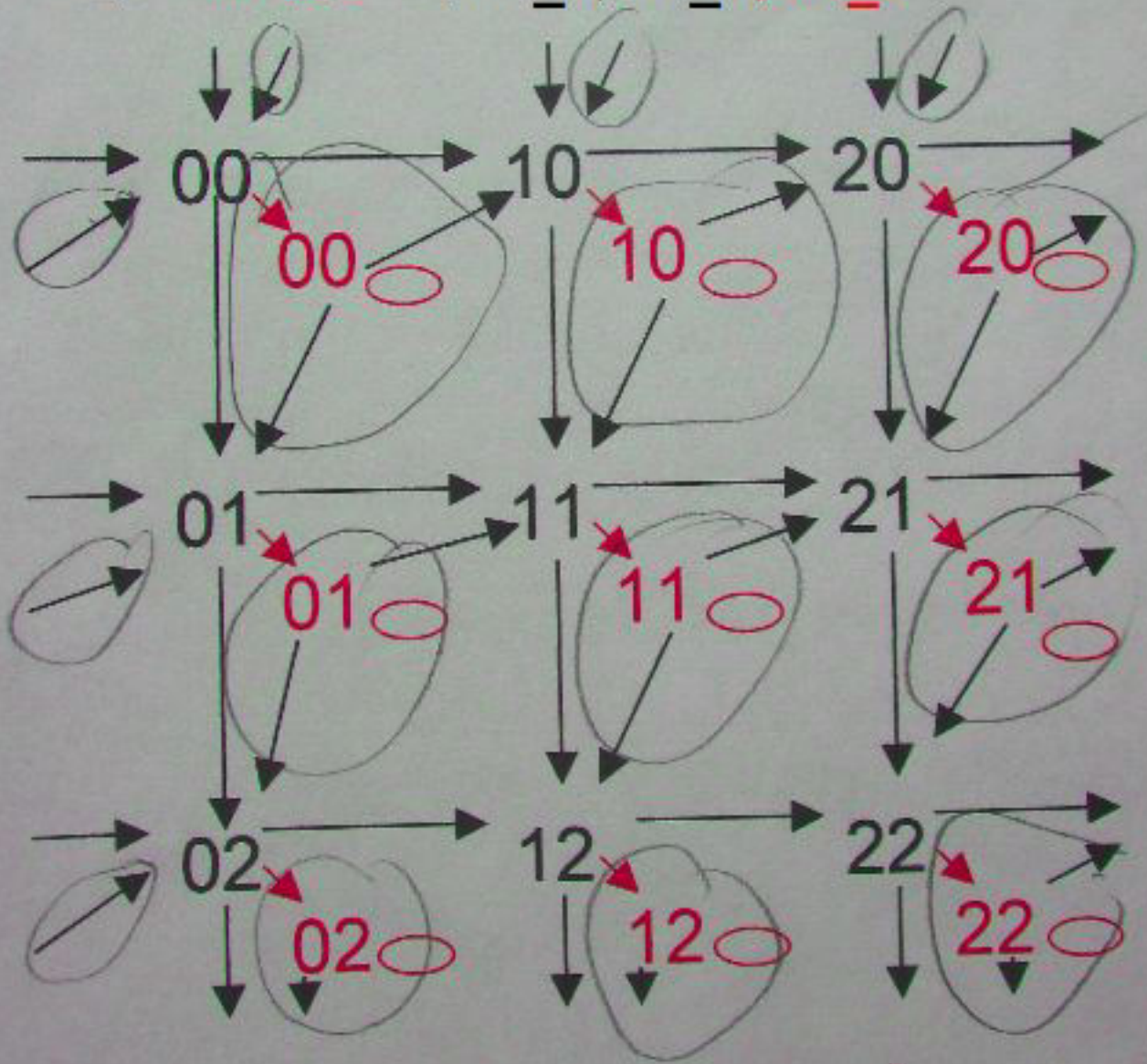
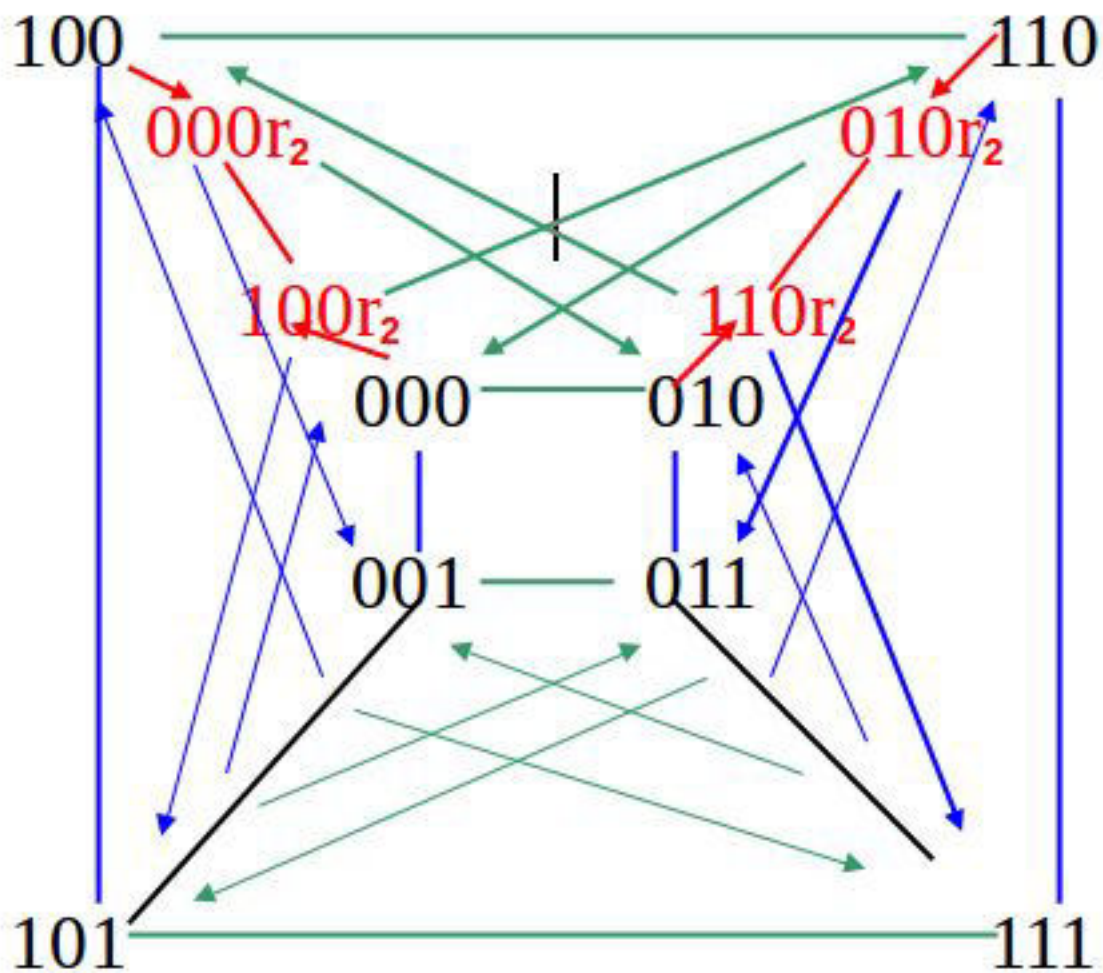


Figure 6: The graph  $\text{Cay}(A_4 \times R_2, \{(e, r_1), ((12)(34), r_2), (123, r_2)\})$ .



$Z_3 \times Z_3 \times R_2 \quad \{10r_1, 01r_1, 00r_2\}$





$$\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{R}_2 = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{D}_2 \times \mathbb{R}_2$$

Schwarz wechselt vom, grün wechselt in der Mitte, blau wechselt hinten  
 Wenn man das für jede Diagonale so ersetzt, reicht in jedem Trapez eine  
 Brücke, also Genus wird höchstens  $2n$  bei  $D_{2n}$



## further remarks

### characterization of finite planar semigroups?

- are dodecahedron and icosidodecahedron cayley graphs of semigroups?
- is there anything in the flavour of discrete isometry *semigroups* of the sphere?

### characterization of cayleygraphs of semigroups?

- in groups:  $\Gamma$  is cayley graph iff there is  $G < \text{Aut}(\Gamma)$  acting fixpoint-free and for all  $v, w \in V$  there is  $g \in G$  with  $g(v) = w$ .
- what are necessary and sufficient conditions for semigroups? work in progress..
- given  $S < T$  is some cayley graph of  $S$  a minor of  $\text{Cay}(T, C)$ ?

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