## Theorem

Suppose we have a simple connected planar graph. Let $V$ be the number of vertices and $E$ the number of edges. Then $3 V-6 \geq E$.


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