▶ Problem 9.3-9(b)

Consider the following three graphs.



For each pair of graphs, either exhibit an isomorphism between vertex sets or explain why the graphs are not isomorphic.

Solution. Since the degree sequence of G_1 is 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4 (i.e., G_1 is a regular graph) and the degree sequences of both G_2 and G_3 are 5, 4, 4, 4, 4, 4, 3. Thus G_1 is isomorphic to neither of the other graphs. As for G_2 and G_3 , they are not isomorphic because in G_2 , the vertices of degrees 3 and 5 (i.e., d and e) are adjacent, while this is not the case in G_3 (vertices 4 and 6 are not adjacent). So, G_2 and G_3 are not isomorphic.