

# Communities & cliques

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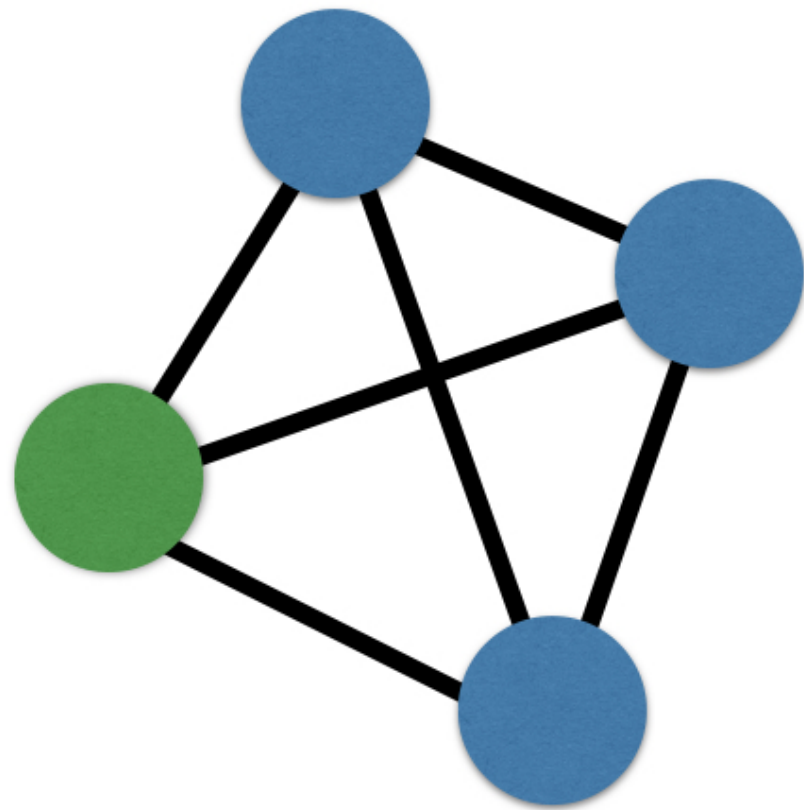


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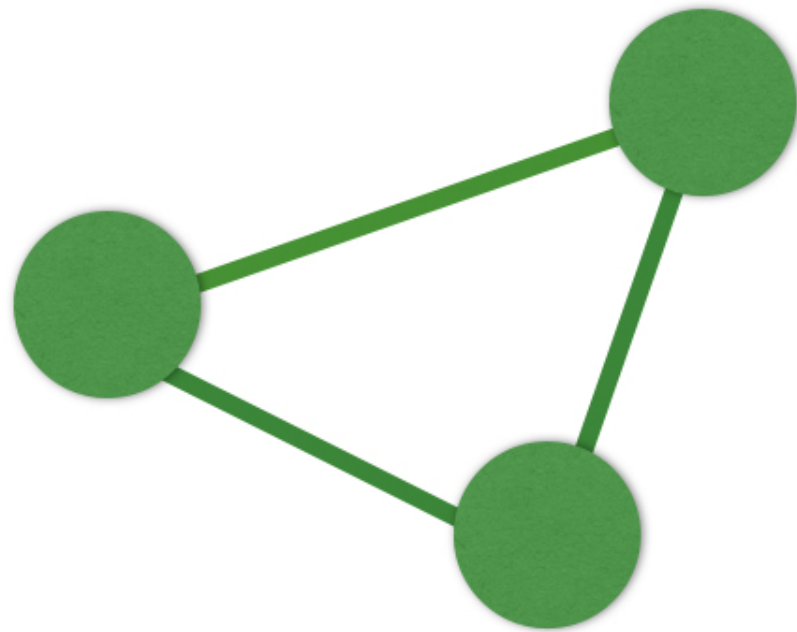
# Cliques

- Social cliques: tightly-knit groups
- Network cliques: completely connected graphs



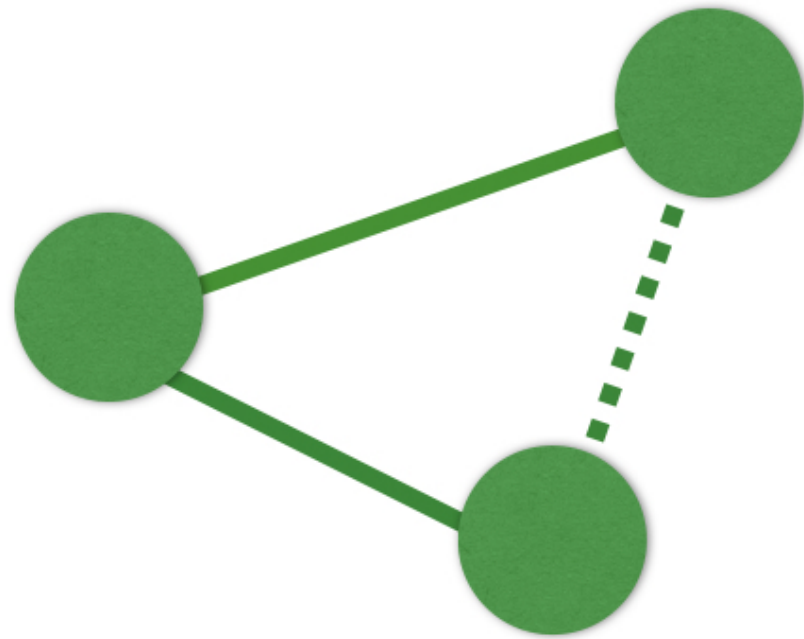
# Cliques

- Simplest complex clique: a triangle



# Triangle Applications

- Friend recommendation systems



# Clique Code

```
G
```

```
<networkx.classes.graph.Graph at 0x10c99ecf8>
```

```
from itertools import combinations
for n1, n2 in combinations(G.nodes(), 2):
    print(n1, n2)
```

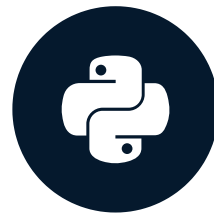
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0 1
0 2
0 3
0 4
0 5
...
```

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# Maximal cliques

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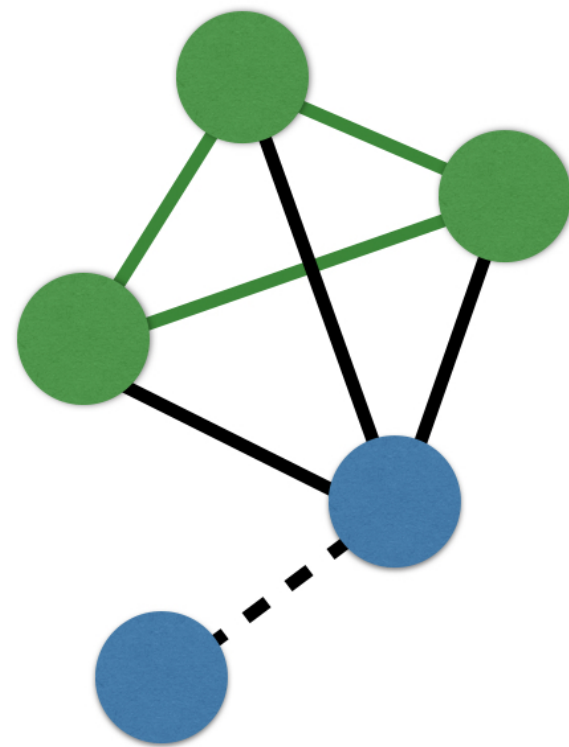


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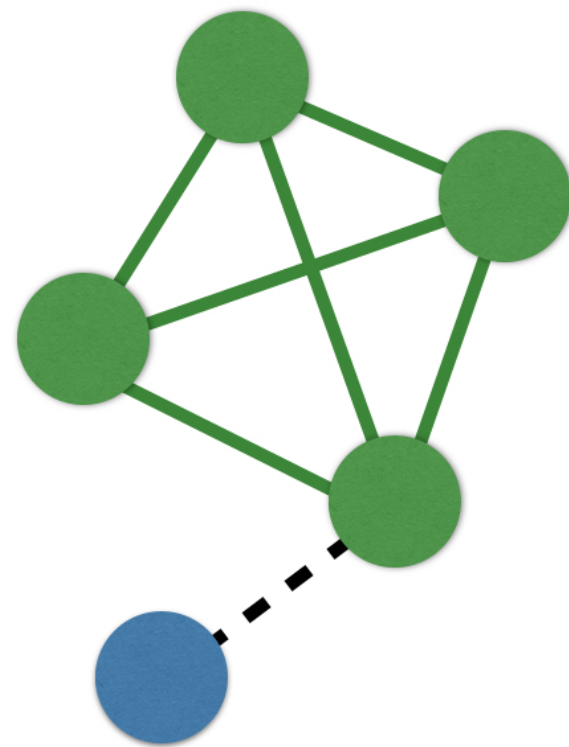
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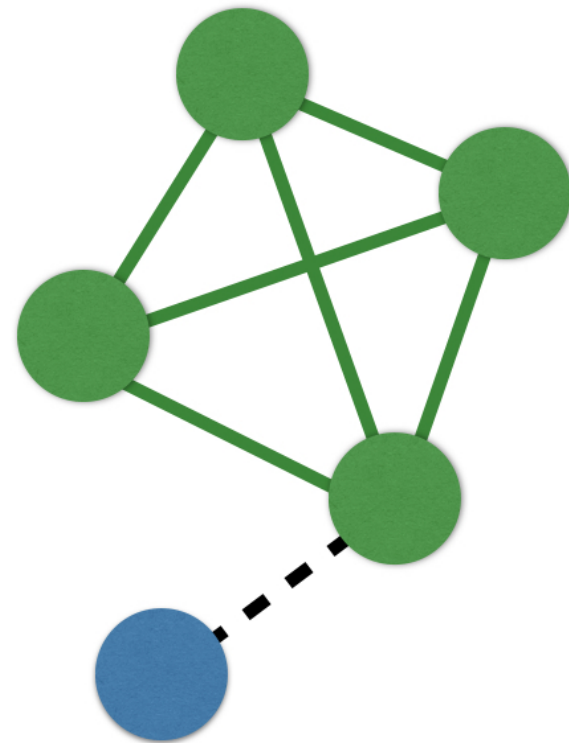
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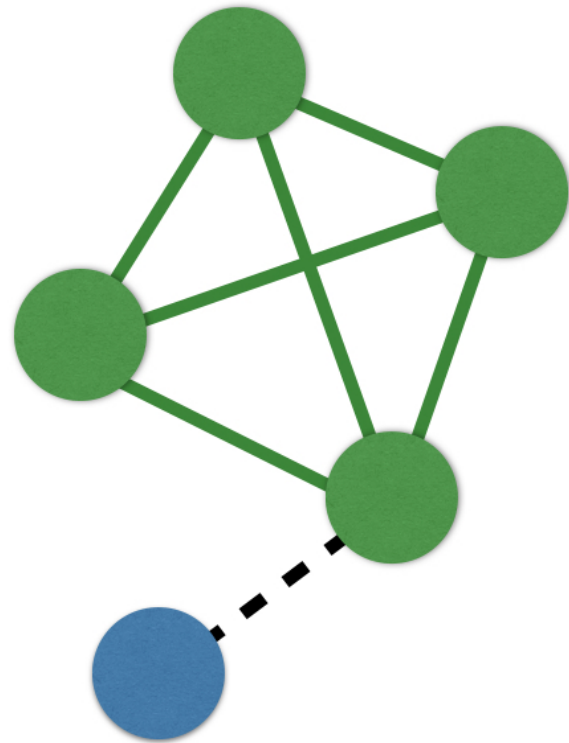
# Maximal cliques

- Applications: community finding



# Communities

- Find cliques
- Find unions of cliques



# NetworkX API

- `find_cliques` finds all maximal cliques

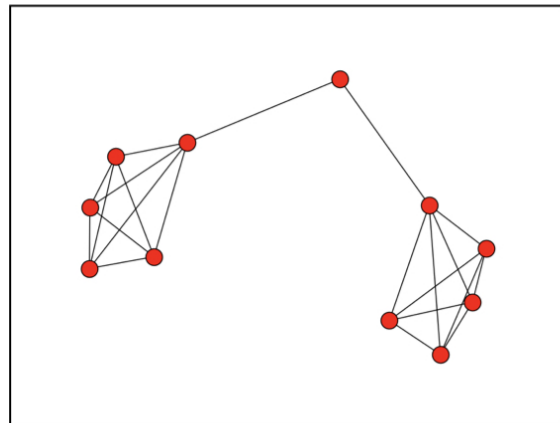
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G = nx.barbell_graph(m1=5, m2=1)
nx.find_cliques(G)
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list(nx.find_cliques(G))
```

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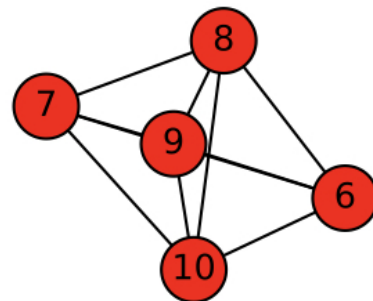
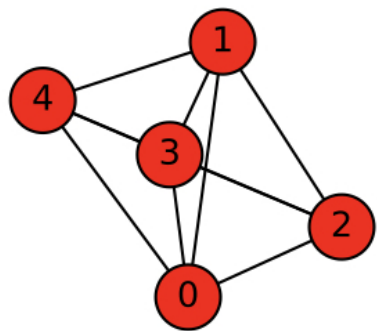
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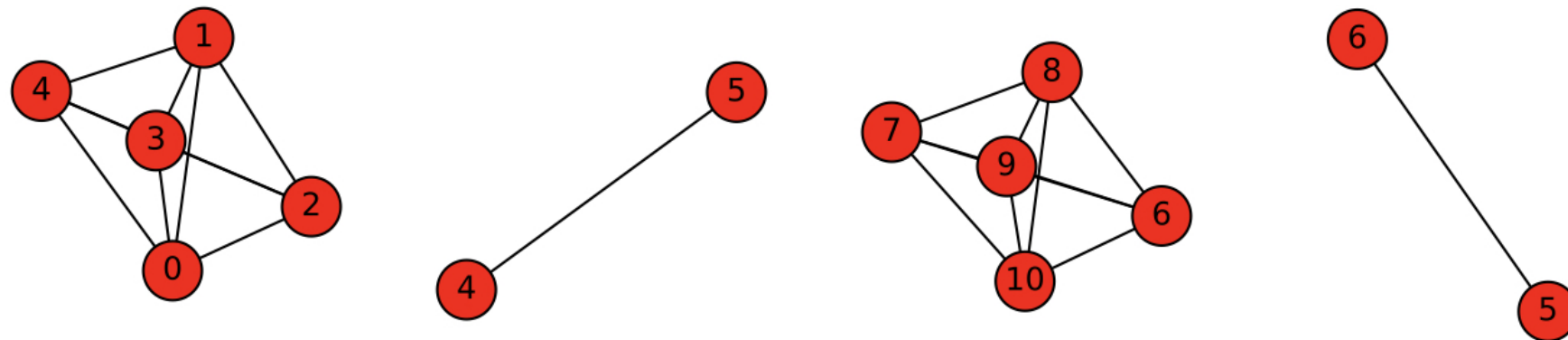
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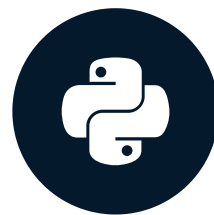
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# Subgraphs

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# Subgraphs

- Visualize portions of a large graph
  - Paths
  - Communities/cliques
  - Degrees of separation from a node

# Subgraphs

```
import networkx as nx
G = nx.erdos_renyi_graph(n=20, p=0.2)
G.nodes()
```

```
NodeView([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19])
```

```
nodes = list(G.neighbors(8))
nodes
```

```
[2, 3, 4, 10]
```

```
nodes.append(8)
```

# Subgraphs

```
G_eight = G.subgraph(nodes)
G_eight.edges()
```

```
EdgeView([(8, 2), (8, 3), (8, 4), (8, 10), (2, 10)])
```

```
G_eight
```

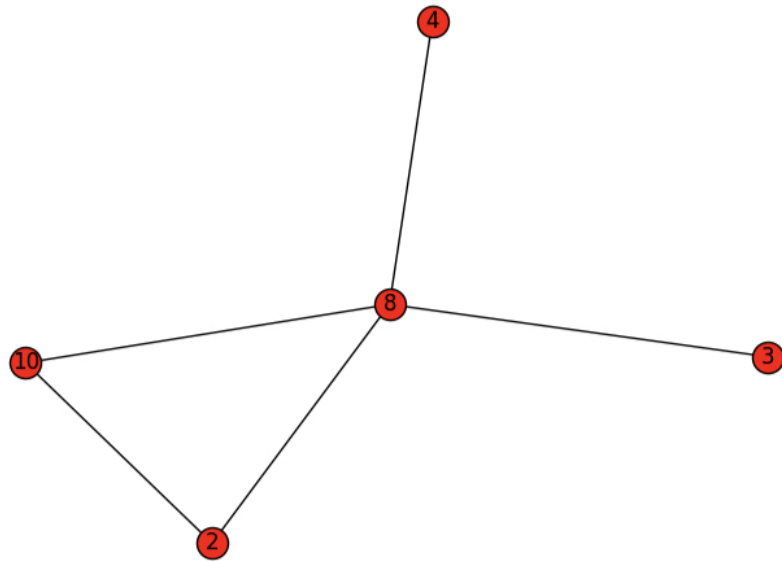
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<networkx.classes.graph.Graph at 0x10cad1f60>
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# Subgraphs

```
nx.draw(G_eight, with_labels=True)
```



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