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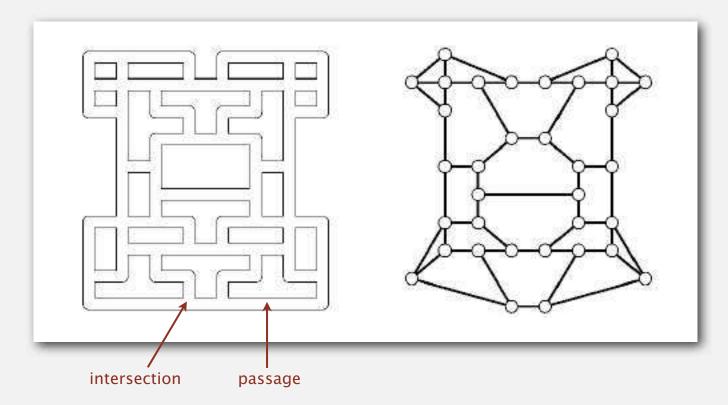
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Maze exploration

Maze graph.

- Vertex = intersection.
- Edge = passage.

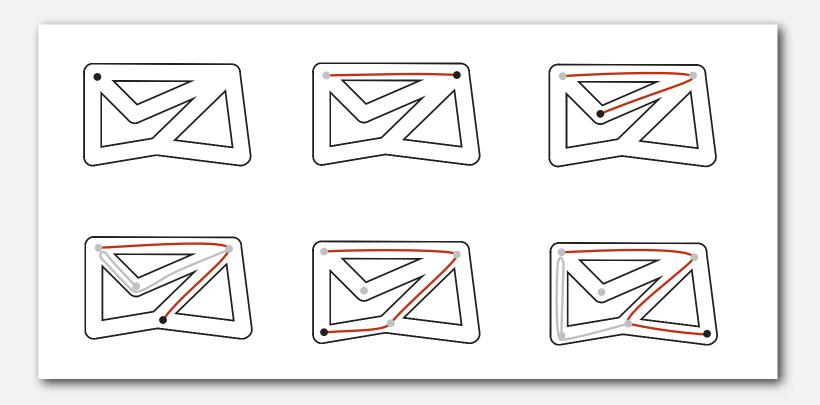


Goal. Explore every intersection in the maze.

Trémaux maze exploration

Algorithm.

- Unroll a ball of string behind you.
- Mark each visited intersection and each visited passage.
- Retrace steps when no unvisited options.



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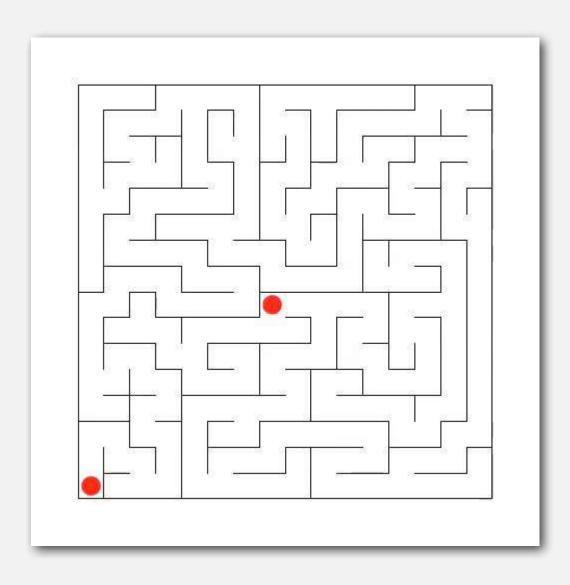
First use? Theseus entered Labyrinth to kill the monstrous Minotaur; Ariadne instructed Theseus to use a ball of string to find his way back out.



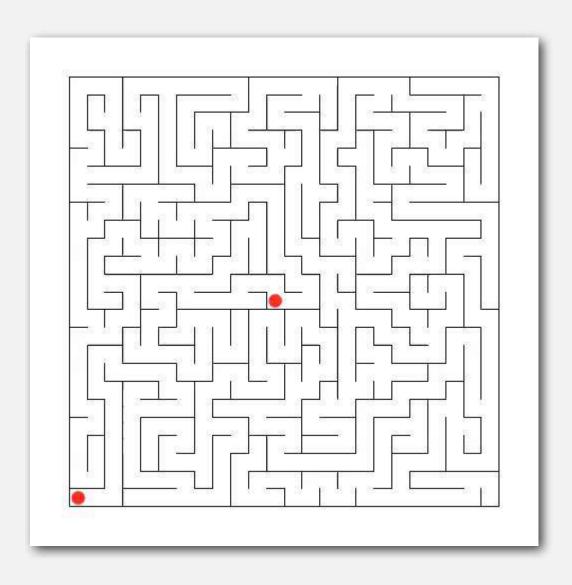


Claude Shannon (with Theseus mouse)

Maze exploration



Maze exploration



Depth-first search

Goal. Systematically search through a graph.

Idea. Mimic maze exploration.

DFS (to visit a vertex v)

Mark v as visited.

Recursively visit all unmarked vertices w adjacent to v.

Typical applications.

- Find all vertices connected to a given source vertex.
- Find a path between two vertices.

Design challenge. How to implement?

Design pattern for graph processing

Design pattern. Decouple graph data type from graph processing.

- Create a Graph object.
- Pass the Graph to a graph-processing routine.
- Query the graph-processing routine for information.

```
public class Paths

Paths(Graph G, int s) find paths in G from source s

boolean hasPathTo(int v) is there a path from s to v?

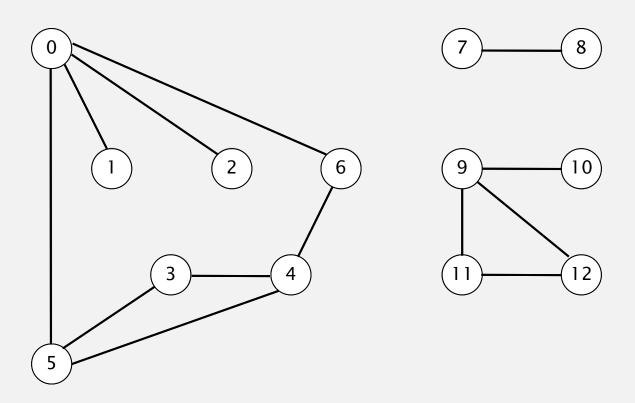
Iterable<Integer> pathTo(int v) path from s to v; null if no such path
```

Depth-first search demo

To visit a vertex v:



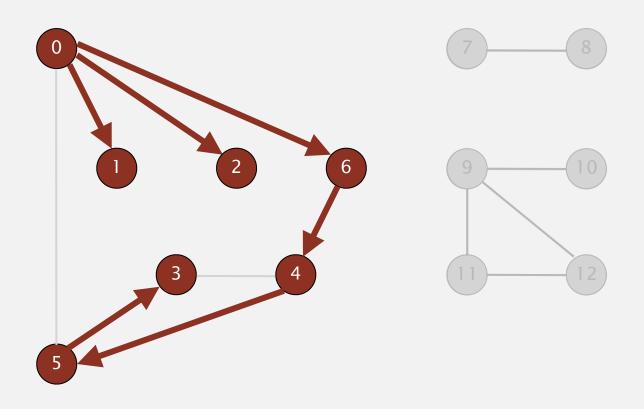
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Depth-first search demo

To visit a vertex v:

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- Recursively visit all unmarked vertices adjacent to v.



V	marked[]	edgeTo[v]
0	Т	_
1	Т	0
2	Т	0
3	Т	5
4	Т	6
5	Т	4
6	Т	0
7	F	_
8	F	_
9	F	_
10	F	_
11	F	_
12	F	_

Depth-first search

Goal. Find all vertices connected to s (and a corresponding path). Idea. Mimic maze exploration.

Algorithm.

- Use recursion (ball of string).
- Mark each visited vertex (and keep track of edge taken to visit it).
- Return (retrace steps) when no unvisited options.

Data structures.

- boolean[] marked to mark visited vertices.
- int[] edgeTo to keep tree of paths.
 (edgeTo[w] == v) means that edge v-w taken to visit w for first time

Depth-first search

```
public class DepthFirstPaths
                                                            marked[v] = true
   private boolean[] marked;
                                                            if v connected to s
   private int[] edgeTo;
                                                            edgeTo[v] = previous
   private int s;
                                                            vertex on path from s to v
   public DepthFirstPaths(Graph G, int s)
                                                            initialize data structures
       dfs(G, s);
                                                            find vertices connected to s
   private void dfs(Graph G, int v)
                                                            recursive DFS does the work
      marked[v] = true;
       for (int w : G.adj(v))
          if (!marked[w])
              dfs(G, w);
              edgeTo[w] = v;
          }
```

Depth-first search properties

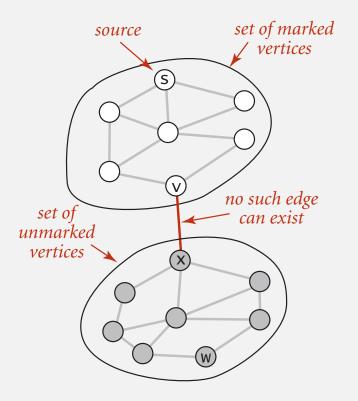
Proposition. DFS marks all vertices connected to s in time proportional to the sum of their degrees.

Pf. [correctness]

- If w marked, then w connected to s (why?)
- If w connected to s, then w marked.
 (if w unmarked, then consider last edge on a path from s to w that goes from a marked vertex to an unmarked one).

Pf. [running time]

Each vertex connected to *s* is visited once.



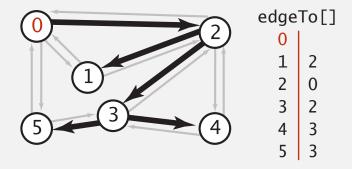
Depth-first search properties

Proposition. After DFS, can find vertices connected to s in constant time and can find a path to s (if one exists) in time proportional to its length.

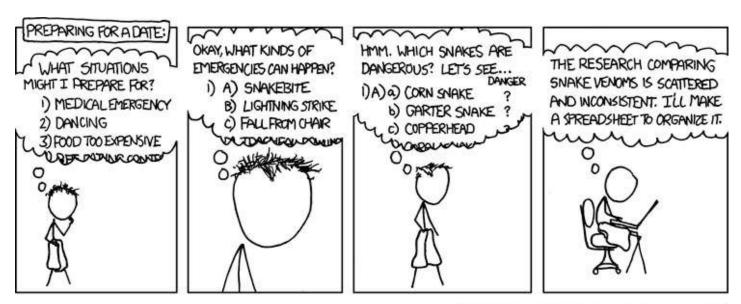
Pf. edgeTo[] is parent-link representation of a tree rooted at s.

```
public boolean hasPathTo(int v)
{    return marked[v]; }

public Iterable<Integer> pathTo(int v)
{
    if (!hasPathTo(v)) return null;
    Stack<Integer> path = new Stack<Integer>();
    for (int x = v; x != s; x = edgeTo[x])
        path.push(x);
    path.push(s);
    return path;
}
```



Depth-first search application: preparing for a date







I REALLY NEED TO STOP USING DEPTH-FIRST SEARCHES.

Depth-first search application: flood fill

Challenge. Flood fill (Photoshop magic wand).

Assumptions. Picture has millions to billions of pixels.



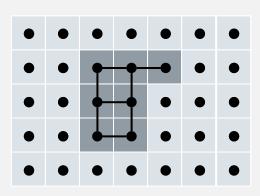


Solution. Build a grid graph.

• Vertex: pixel.

• Edge: between two adjacent gray pixels.

• Blob: all pixels connected to given pixel.





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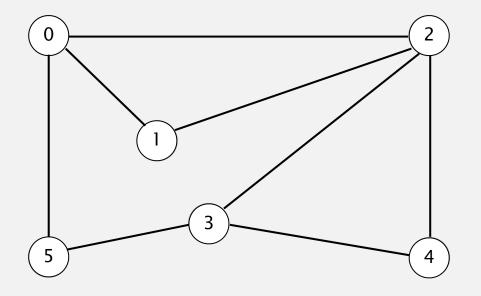
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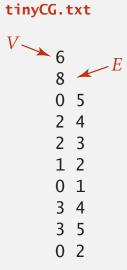
Breadth-first search demo

Repeat until queue is empty:



- Remove vertex *v* from queue.
- Add to queue all unmarked vertices adjacent to v and mark them.

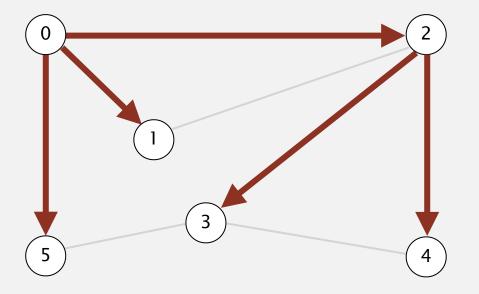




Breadth-first search demo

Repeat until queue is empty:

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V	edgeTo[]	distTo[]
0	-	0
1	0	1
2	0	1
3	2	2
4	2	2
5	0	1

Breadth-first search

Depth-first search. Put unvisited vertices on a stack.

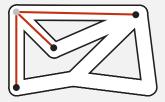
Breadth-first search. Put unvisited vertices on a queue.

Shortest path. Find path from *s* to *t* that uses fewest number of edges.

BFS (from source vertex s)

Put s onto a FIFO queue, and mark s as visited. Repeat until the queue is empty:

- remove the least recently added vertex v
- add each of v's unvisited neighbors to the queue, and mark them as visited.







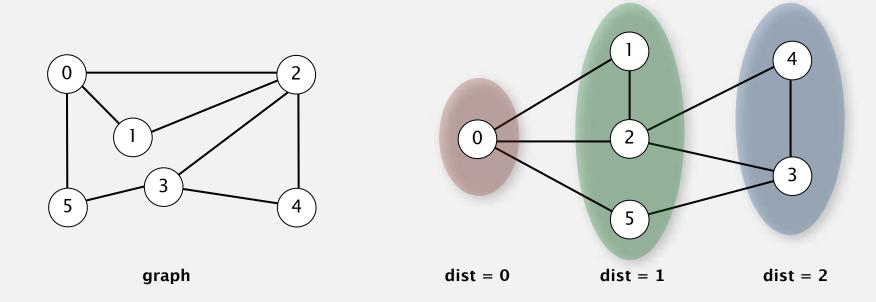
Intuition. BFS examines vertices in increasing distance from s.

Breadth-first search properties

Proposition. BFS computes shortest paths (fewest number of edges) from s to all other vertices in a graph in time proportional to E + V.

Pf. [correctness] Queue always consists of zero or more vertices of distance k from s, followed by zero or more vertices of distance k + 1.

Pf. [running time] Each vertex connected to *s* is visited once.

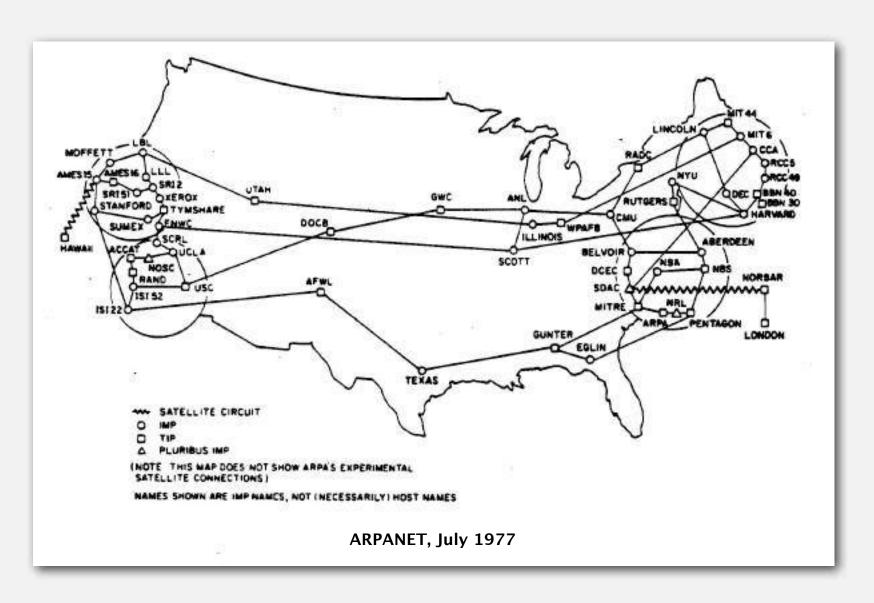


Breadth-first search

```
public class BreadthFirstPaths
   private boolean[] marked;
   private int[] edgeTo;
   private void bfs(Graph G, int s)
     Queue<Integer> q = new Queue<Integer>();
      q.enqueue(s);
     marked[s] = true;
      while (!q.isEmpty())
         int v = q.dequeue();
         for (int w : G.adj(v))
            if (!marked[w])
               q.enqueue(w);
               marked[w] = true;
               edgeTo[w] = v;
```

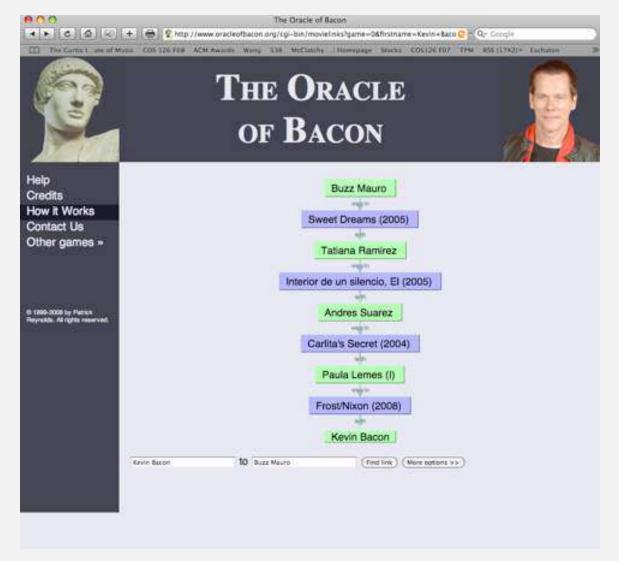
Breadth-first search application: routing

Fewest number of hops in a communication network.



Breadth-first search application: Kevin Bacon numbers

Kevin Bacon numbers.



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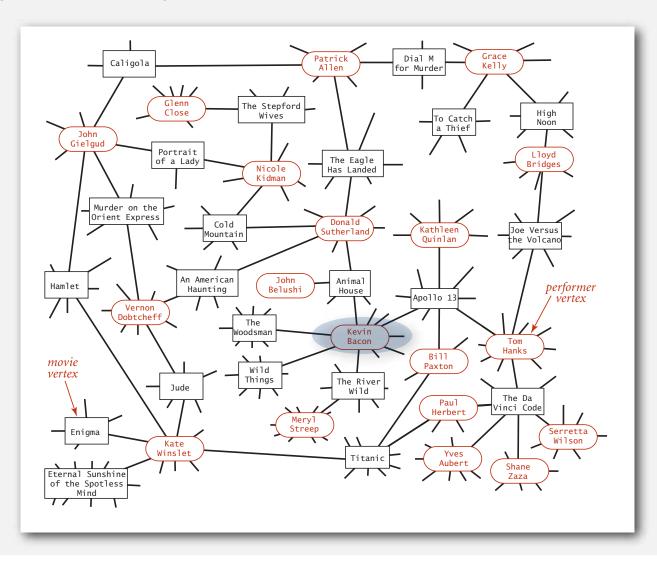
Endless Games board game



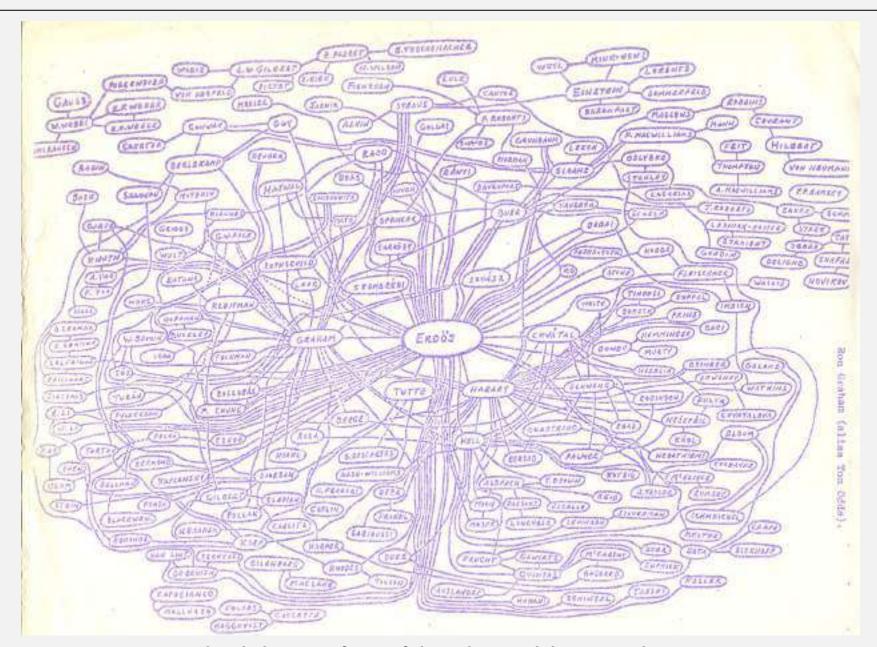
SixDegrees iPhone App

Kevin Bacon graph

- Include one vertex for each performer and one for each movie.
- Connect a movie to all performers that appear in that movie.
- Compute shortest path from s = Kevin Bacon.



Breadth-first search application: Erdös numbers



hand-drawing of part of the Erdös graph by Ron Graham

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Connectivity queries

Def. Vertices v and w are connected if there is a path between them.

Goal. Preprocess graph to answer queries of the form *is v connected to w?* in constant time.

```
public class CC

CC(Graph G)

find connected components in G

boolean connected(int v, int w)

are v and w connected?

int count()

number of connected components

int id(int v)

component identifier for v
```

Union-Find? Not quite.

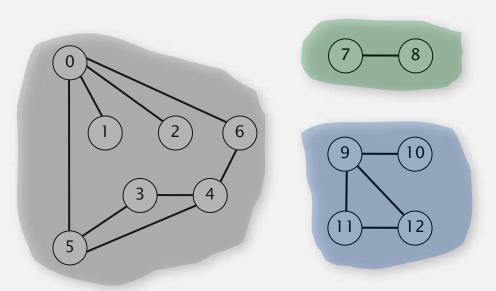
Depth-first search. Yes. [next few slides]

Connected components

The relation "is connected to" is an equivalence relation:

- Reflexive: v is connected to v.
- Symmetric: if *v* is connected to *w*, then *w* is connected to *v*.
- Transitive: if *v* connected to *w* and *w* connected to *x*, then *v* connected to *x*.

Def. A connected component is a maximal set of connected vertices.



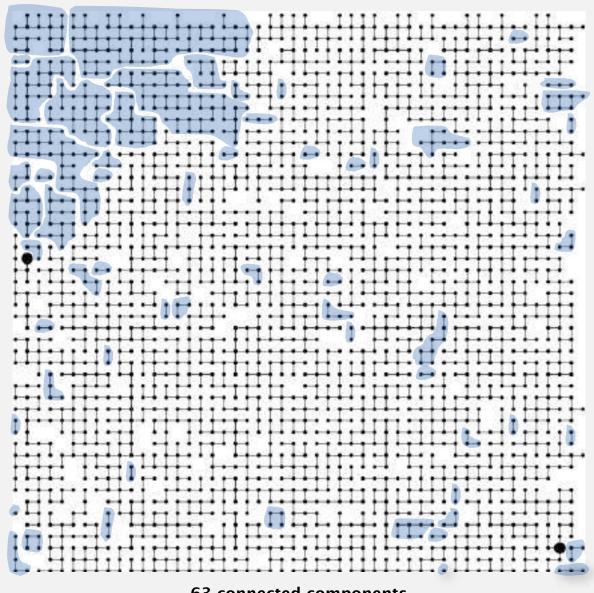
3 connected components

V	1d[]
0	0
1	0
2	0
3	0
4	0
5	0
6	0
7	1
8	1
9	2
10	2
11	2
12	2

Remark. Given connected components, can answer queries in constant time.

Connected components

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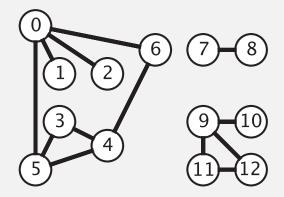
Connected components

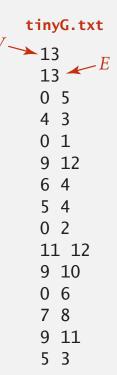
Goal. Partition vertices into connected components.

Connected components

Initialize all vertices v as unmarked.

For each unmarked vertex v, run DFS to identify all vertices discovered as part of the same component.



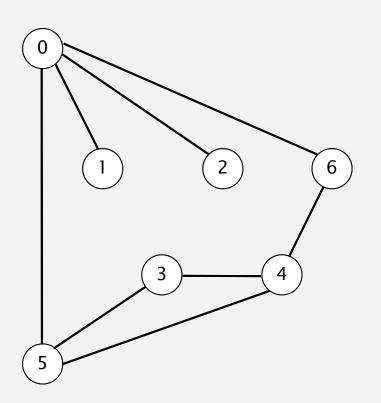


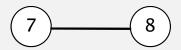
Connected components demo

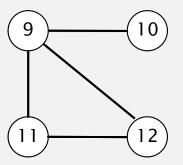
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- Mark vertex v as visited.
- Recursively visit all unmarked vertices adjacent to v.





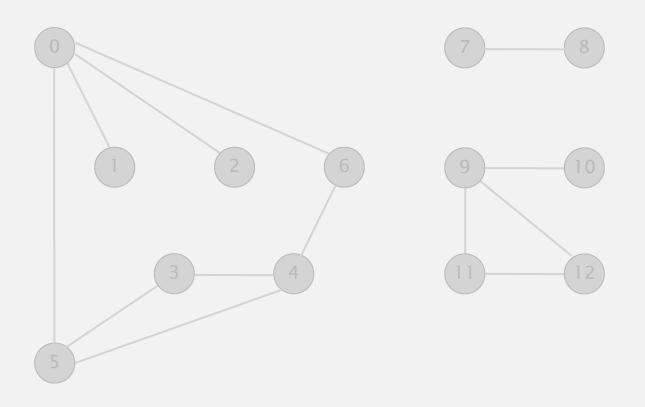


V	marked[]	id[]
0	F	_
1	F	_
2	F	_
3	F	_
4	F	_
5	F	_
6	F	_
7	F	_
8	F	_
9	F	_
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11	F	_
12	F	_

Connected components demo

To visit a vertex v:

- Mark vertex v as visited.
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marked[]	id[]
Т	0
Т	0
Т	0
Т	0
Т	0
Т	0
Т	0
Т	1
Т	1
Т	2
Т	2
Т	2
Т	2
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done

Finding connected components with DFS

```
public class CC
   private boolean[] marked;
                                                        id[v] = id of component containing v
   private int[] id;
                                                        number of components
   private int count;
   public CC(Graph G)
      marked = new boolean[G.V()];
      id = new int[G.V()];
      for (int v = 0; v < G.V(); v++)
         if (!marked[v])
                                                        run DFS from one vertex in
             dfs(G, v);
                                                        each component
             count++;
   public int count()
                                                        see next slide
   public int id(int v)
   private void dfs(Graph G, int v)
```

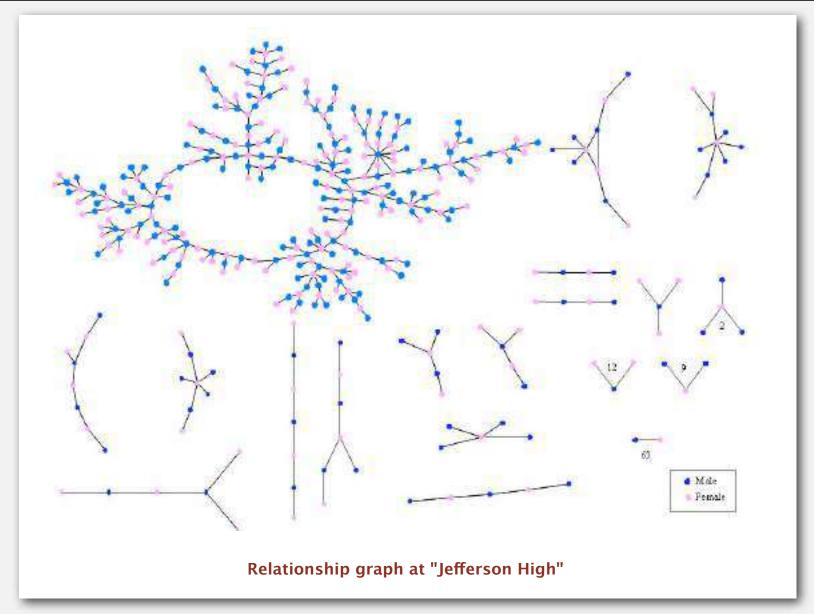
Finding connected components with DFS (continued)

```
public int count()
{ return count; }

public int id(int v)
{ return id[v]; }

private void dfs(Graph G, int v)
{
    marked[v] = true;
    id[v] = count;
    for (int w : G.adj(v))
        if (!marked[w])
            dfs(G, w);
}
all vertices discovered in same call of dfs have same id
```

Connected components application: study spread of STDs



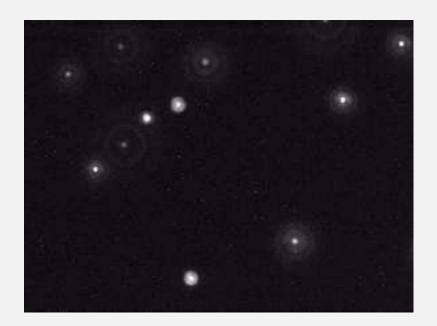
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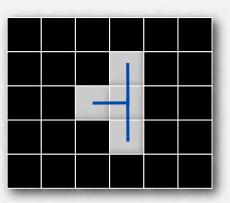
Connected components application: particle detection

Particle detection. Given grayscale image of particles, identify "blobs."

- Vertex: pixel.
- Edge: between two adjacent pixels with grayscale value ≥ 70.
- Blob: connected component of 20-30 pixels.

black = 0 white = 255





Particle tracking. Track moving particles over time.

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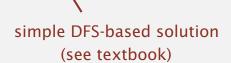
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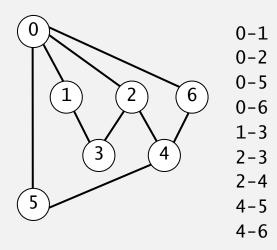
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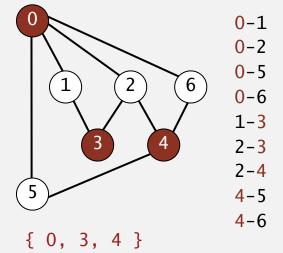
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Problem. Is a graph bipartite?

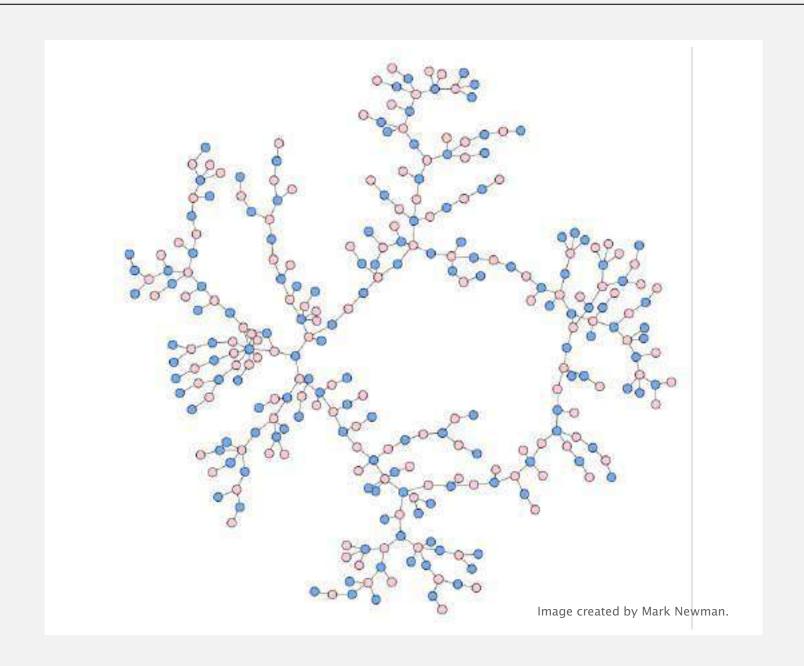
- Any programmer could do it.
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 - · Hire an expert.
 - Intractable.
 - No one knows.
 - Impossible.





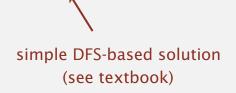


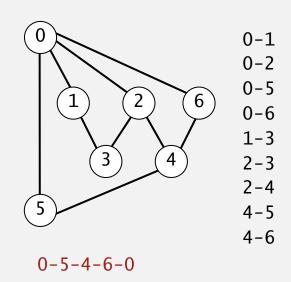
Bipartiteness application: is dating graph bipartite?



Problem. Find a cycle.

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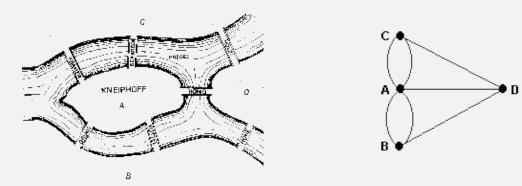




Bridges of Königsberg

The Seven Bridges of Königsberg. [Leonhard Euler 1736]

"... in Königsberg in Prussia, there is an island A, called the Kneiphof; the river which surrounds it is divided into two branches ... and these branches are crossed by seven bridges. Concerning these bridges, it was asked whether anyone could arrange a route in such a way that he could cross each bridge once and only once."



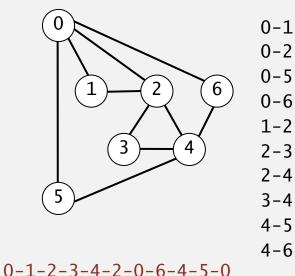
Euler tour. Is there a (general) cycle that uses each edge exactly once?

Answer. A connected graph is Eulerian iff all vertices have even degree.

Problem. Find a (general) cycle that uses every edge exactly once.

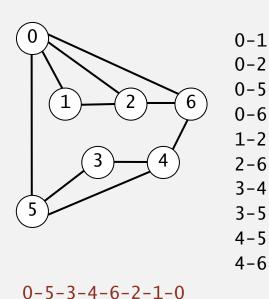
Eulerian tour (classic graph-processing problem)

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 - Intractable.
 - No one knows.
 - Impossible.



Problem. Find a cycle that visits every vertex exactly once.

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- Typical diligent algorithms student could do it.
- · Hire an expert.
- ✓ Intractable. <
 - No one knows. (classical NP-complete problem)
 - Impossible.

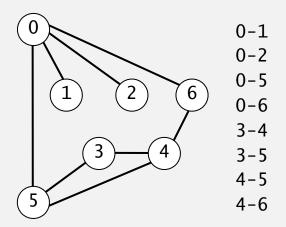


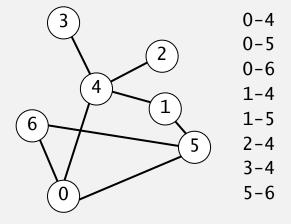
Problem. Are two graphs identical except for vertex names?

How difficult?

- Any programmer could do it.
- Typical diligent algorithms student could do it.
- · Hire an expert.
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- ✓ No one knows.
 - Impossible.

graph isomorphism is longstanding open problem





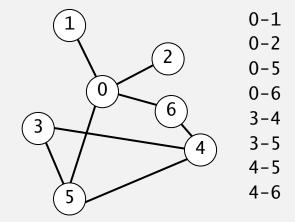
 $0 \leftrightarrow 4$, $1 \leftrightarrow 3$, $2 \leftrightarrow 2$, $3 \leftrightarrow 6$, $4 \leftrightarrow 5$, $5 \leftrightarrow 0$, $6 \leftrightarrow 1$

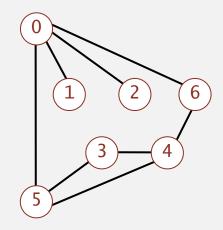
Problem. Lay out a graph in the plane without crossing edges?

How difficult?

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linear-time DFS-based planarity algorithm discovered by Tarjan in 1970s (too complicated for most practitioners)





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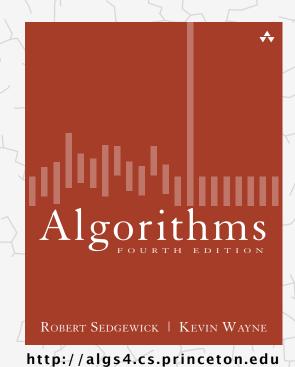
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