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  - Bipartite Graphs

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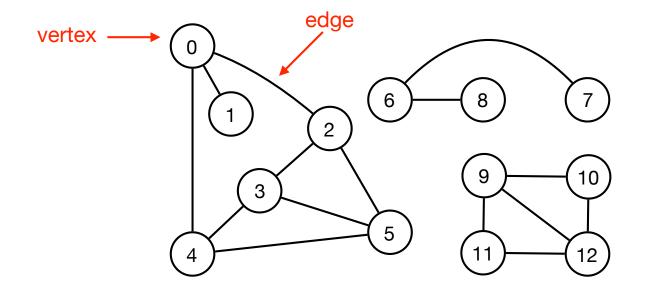
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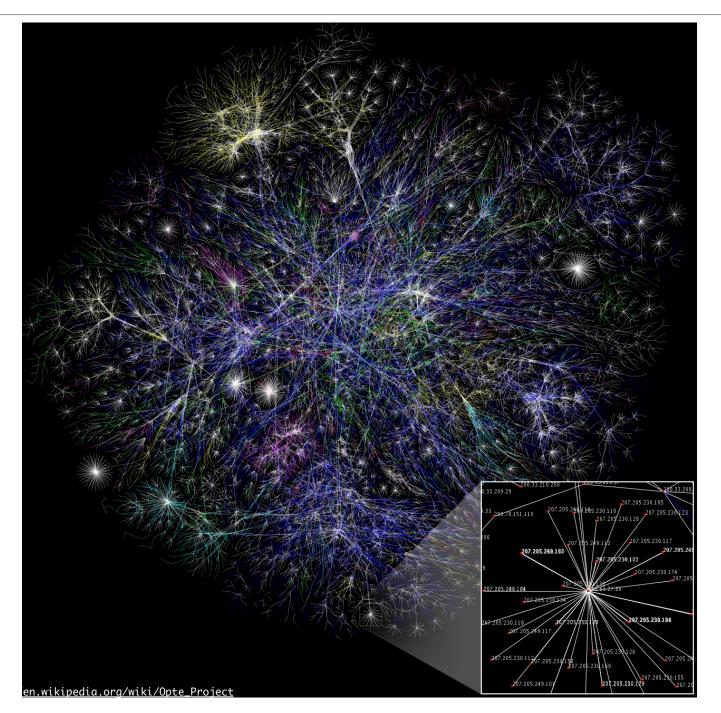
#### Undirected graphs

• Undirected graph. Set of vertices pairwise joined by edges.



- Why graphs?
  - Models many natural problems from many different areas.
  - Thousands of practical applications.
  - Hundreds of well-known graph algorithms.

# Visualizing the Internet

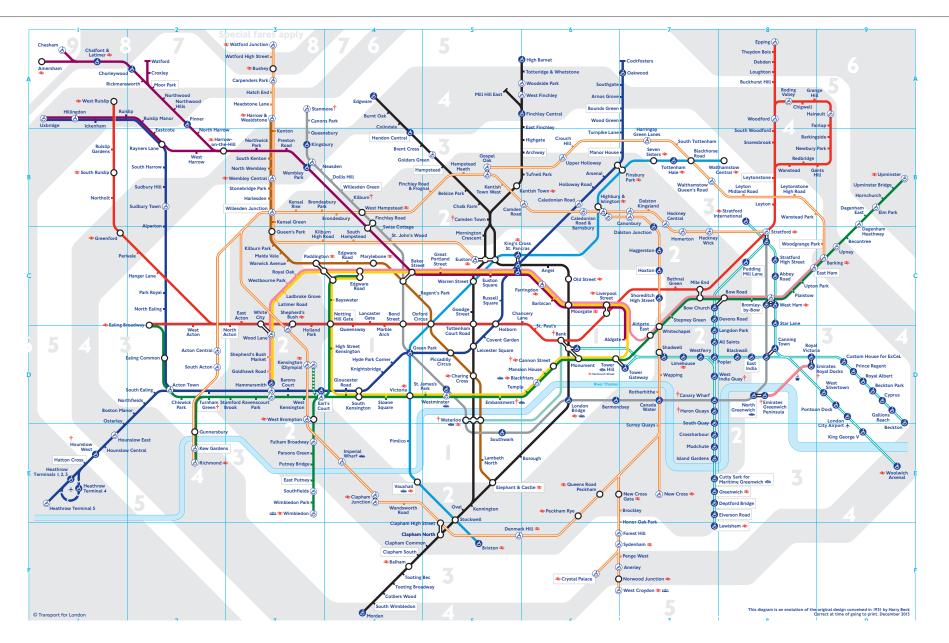


# Visualizing Friendships on Facebook

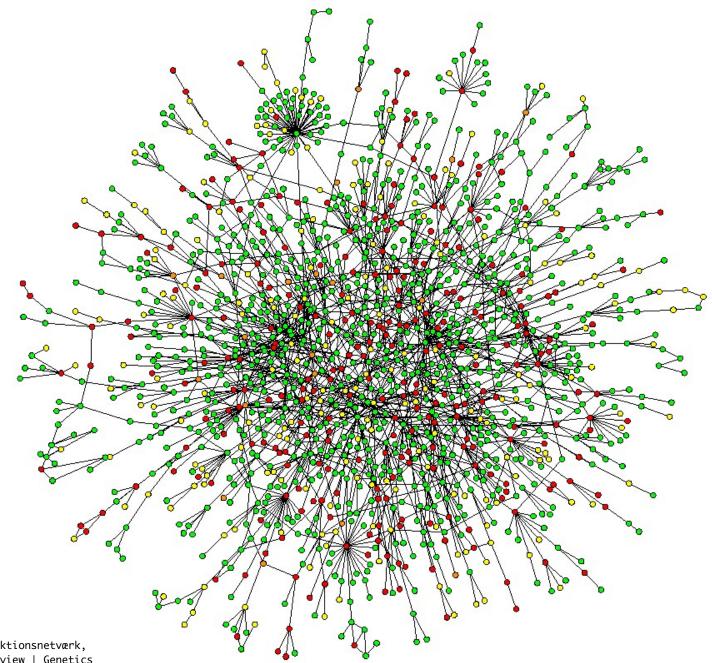


"Visualizing friendships", Paul Butler

#### London Metro



#### **Protein Interaction Networks**



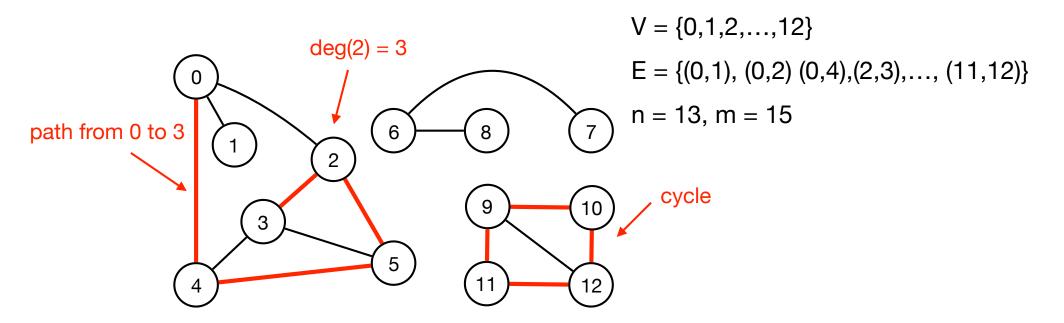
Protein-protein interaktionsnetværk, Jeong et al, Nature Review | Genetics

# Applications of Graphs

Graph	Vertices	Edges	
communication	computers	cables	
transport	intersections	roads	
transport	airports	flight routes	
games	position	valid move	
neural network	neuron	synapses	
financial network	stocks	transactions	
circuit	logical gates	connections	
food chain	species	predator-prey	
molecule	atom	bindings	

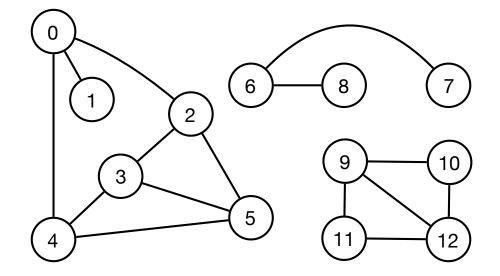
# Terminology

- Undirected graph. G = (V, E)
  - V = set of vertices
  - E = set of edges (each edge is a pair of vertices)
  - n = |V|, m = |E|
- Path. Sequence of vertices connected by edges.
- Cycle. Path starting and ending at the same vertex.
- Degree. deg(v) = the number of neighbors of v, or edges incident to v.
- Connectivity. A pair of vertices are connected if there is a path between them



#### **Undirected Graphs**

- Lemma.  $\sum_{v \in V} deg(v) = 2m$ .
- Proof. How many times is each edge counted in the sum?



## Algoritmic Problems on Graphs

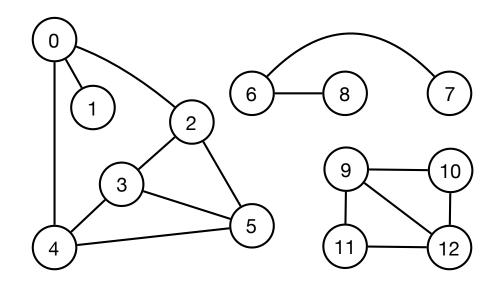
- Path. Is there a path connecting s and t?
- Shortest path. What is the shortest path connecting s and t?
- Longest path. What is the longest path connecting s and t?
- Cycle. Is there a cycle in the graph?
- Euler tour. Is there a cycle that uses each edge exactly once?
- Hamilton cycle. Is there a cycle that uses each vertex exactly once?
- Connectivity. Are all pairs of vertices connected?
- Minimum spanning tree. What is the best way of connecting all vertices?
- Biconnectivity. Is there a vertex whose removal would cause the graph to be disconnected?
- Planarity. Is it possible to draw the graph in the plane without edges crossing?
- Graph isomorphism. Do these sets of vertices and edges represent the same graph?

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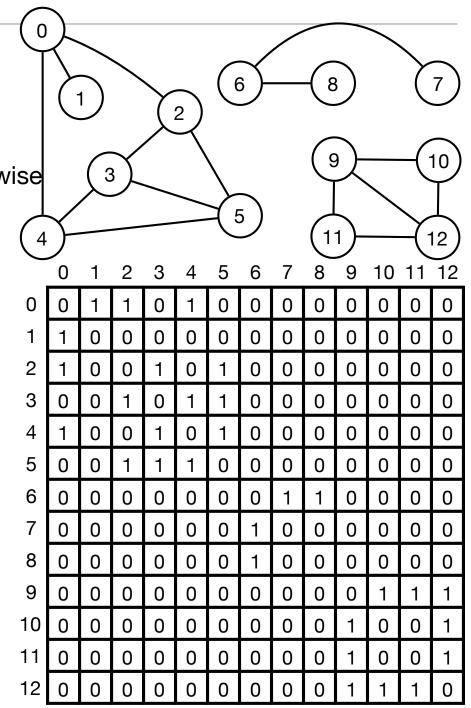
## Representation

- Graph G with n vertices and m edges.
- Representation. We need the following operations on graphs.
  - ADJACENT(v, u): determine if u and v are neighbors.
  - NEIGHBORS(v): return all neighbors of v.
  - INSERT(v, u): add the edge (v, u) to G (unless it is already there).



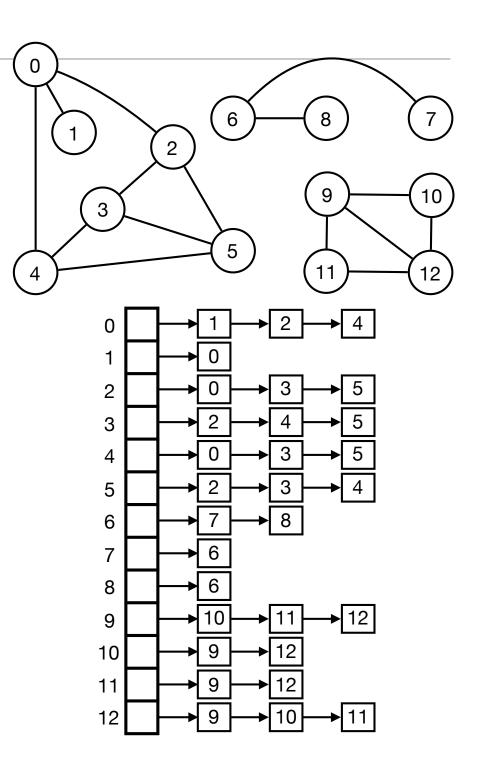
# Adjacency Matrix

- Graph G with n vertices and m edges.
- Adjacency matrix.
  - 2D n  $\times$  n array A.
  - A[i,j] = 1 if i and j are neighbors, 0 otherwise
- Complexity?
- Space. O(n<sup>2</sup>)
- Time.
  - ADJACENT and INSERT in O(1) time.
  - NEIGHBOURS in O(n) time.



# Adjacency List

- Graph G with n vertices and m edges.
- Adjacency list.
  - Array A[0..n-1].
  - A[i] is a linked list of all neighbors of i.
- Complexity?
- Space.  $O(n + \sum_{v \in V} deg(v)) = O(n + m)$
- Time.
  - ADJACENT, NEIGHBOURS, INSERT O(deg(v)) time.



#### Repræsentation

Data structure	ADJACENT	NEIGHBOURS	INSERT	space
adjacency matrix	O(1)	O(n)	O(1)	O(n²)
adjacency list	O(deg(v))	O(deg(v))	O(deg(v))	O(n+m)

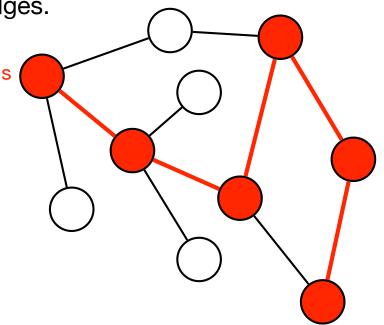
• Real world graphs are often sparse.

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# Depth-First Search

- Algorithm for systematically visiting all vertices and edges.
- Depth first search from vertex s.
  - Unmark all vertices and visit s.
  - Visit vertex v:
    - Mark v.
    - Visit all unmarked neighbours of v recursively.



- Intuition.
  - Explore from s in some direction, until we read dead end.
  - · Backtrack to the last position with unexplored edges.
  - Repeat.
- Discovery time. First time a vertex is visited.
- Finish time. Last time a vertex is visited.

## Depth-First Search

```
DFS(s)
  time = 0
  DFS-VISIT(s)

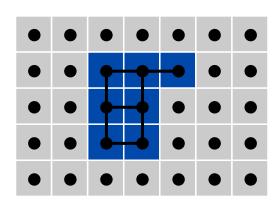
DFS-VISIT(v)
  v.d = time++
  mark v
  for each unmarked neighbor u
    DFS-VISIT(u)
    u.π = v
  v.f = time++
```

- Time. (on adjacency list representation)
  - Recursion? once per vertex.
  - O(deg(v)) time spent on vertex v.
  - $\Rightarrow$  total O(n +  $\sum_{v \in V} deg(v)$ ) = O(n + m) time.
  - Only visits vertices connected to s.

# Flood Fill

• Flood fill. Chance the color of a connected area of green pixels.



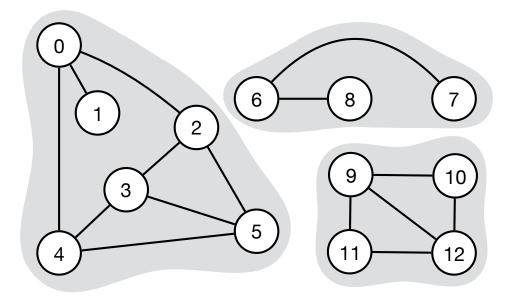


#### • Algorithm.

- Build a grid graph and run DFS.
- Vertex: pixel.
- Edge: between neighboring pixels of same color.
- · Area: connected component

## **Connected Components**

• Definition. A connected component is a maximal subset of connected vertices.



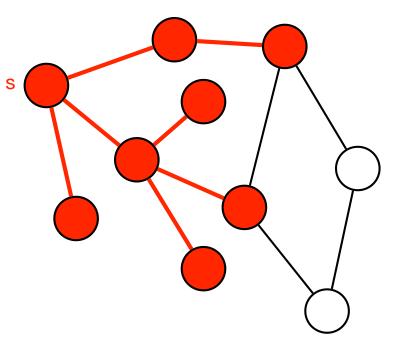
- How to find all connected components?
- Algorithm.
  - Unmark all vertices.
  - While there is an unmarked vertex:
    - Chose an unmarked vertex v, run DFS from v.
- Time. O(n + m).

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# **Breadth-First Search**

- Breadth first search from s.
  - Unmark all vertices and initialize queue Q.
  - Mark s and Q.ENQUEUE(s).
  - While Q is not empty:
    - v = Q.DEQUEUE().
    - For each unmarked neighbor u of v
      - Mark u.
      - Q.ENQUEUE(u).



- Intuition.
  - Explore, starting from s, in all directions in increasing distance from s.
- Shortest paths from s.
  - Distance to s in BFS tree = shortest distance to s in the original graph.

### Shortest Paths

- Lemma. BFS finds the length of the shortest path from s to all other vertices.
- Intuition.
  - BFS assigns vertices to layers. Layer number i contains all vertices of distance i to s.
     L<sub>1</sub>
     L<sub>2</sub>

Lo

L<sub>3</sub>

- What does each layer contain?
- L<sub>0</sub> : {s}
- $L_1$ : all neighbours of  $L_0$ .
- $L_{2:}$  all neighbours if  $L_1$  that are not neighbours of  $L_0$
- $L_3$ : all neighbours of  $L_2$  that neither are neighbours of  $L_0$  nor  $L_1$ .
- ...
- $L_{i\,:}$  all neighbours til  $L_{i\text{-}1}$  not neighbouring  $L_j$  for j < i-1
  - = all vertices of distance i from s.

## **Breadth-First Search**

```
BFS(s)

mark s

s.d = 0

Q.ENQUEUE(s)

repeat until Q.ISEMPTY()

v = Q.DEQUEUE()

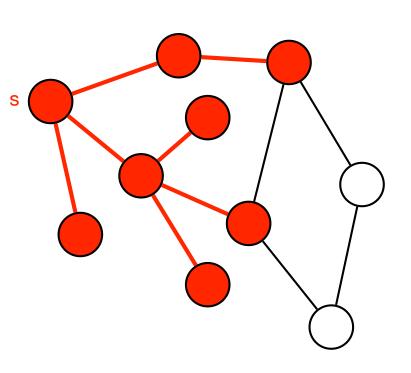
for each unmarked neighbor u

mark u

u.d = v.d + 1

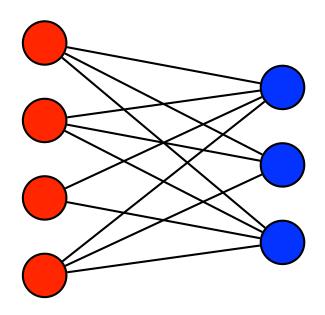
u.\pi = V

Q.ENQUEUE(u)
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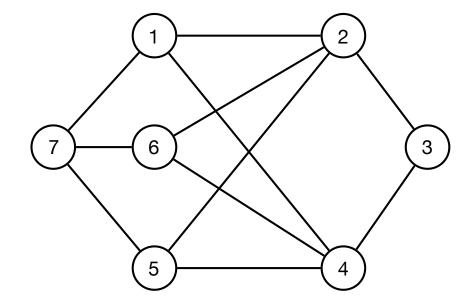
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  - Each vertex is visited at most once.
  - O(deg(v)) time spent on vertex v.
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  - Only vertices connected to s are visited.

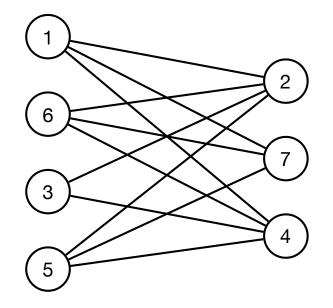
- Definition. A graph is bipartite if and only if all vertices can be colored red and blue such that every edge has exactly one red endpoint and one blue endpoint.
- Equivalent definition. A graph is bipartite if and only if its vertices can be partitioned into two sets V<sub>1</sub> and V<sub>2</sub> such that all edges go between V<sub>1</sub> and V<sub>2</sub>.



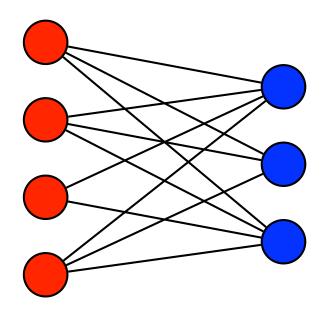
- Application.
  - Scheduling, matching, assigning clients to servers, assigning jobs to machines, assigning students to advisors/labs, ...
  - Many graph problems are *easier* on bipartite graphs.

• Challenge. Given a graph G, determine whether G is bipartite.

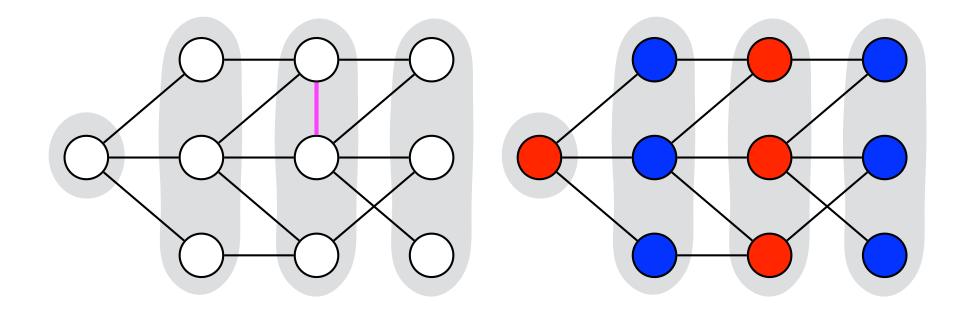




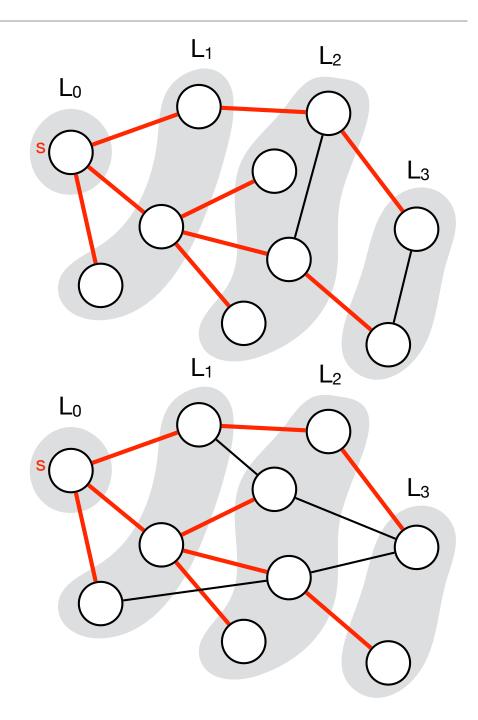
- Lemma. A graph G is bipartite if and only if all cycles in G have even length.
- Proof.  $\Rightarrow$ 
  - If G is bipartite, all cycles start and end on the same side.



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- Proof.  $\Leftarrow$ 
  - Choose a vertex v and consider BFS layers  $L_0$ ,  $L_1$ , ...,  $L_k$ .
  - All cycles have even length
  - $\bullet \Rightarrow$  There is no edge between vertices of the same layer
  - ${\ensuremath{\,\cdot\,}} \Rightarrow$  We can assign alternating (red, blue) colours to the layers
  - $\Rightarrow$  G is bipartite.



- Algorithm.
  - Run BFS on G.
  - For each edge in G, check if it's endpoints are in the same layer.
- Time.
  - O(n + m)



# Graph Algorithms

Algorithm	Time	Space
Depth first search	O(n + m)	O(n + m)
Breadth first search	O(n + m)	O(n + m)
Connected components	O(n + m)	O(n + m)
Bipartite	O(n + m)	O(n + m)

• All on the adjacency list representation.

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