

Algorithms: Lecture 10

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Today's Topics

Basic Definitions

Path, Cycle, Tree, Connectivity, etc.

Graph Traversal

Depth First Search

Breadth First Search

Testing Bipartateness (One Graph Two colors)

Cycles

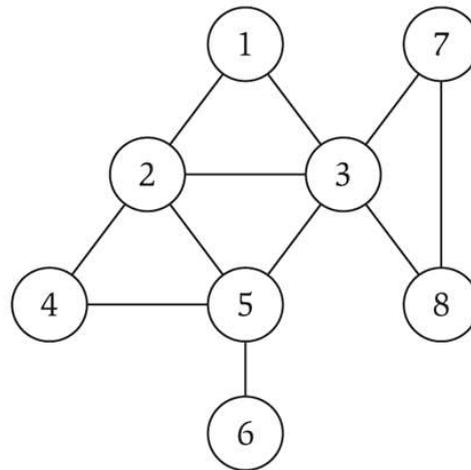
Def. A **path** is a sequence of $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{k-1}, v_k$ nodes with the property that each consecutive pair v_i, v_{i+1} is joined by an edge in G .

Def. A **cycle** is a path $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{k-1}, v_k$ in which $v_1 = v_k$, $k > 2$, and the first $k-1$ nodes are all distinct.

Directed G : **directed path, cycle**

Every pair (v_i, v_{i+1}) in the **path** or **cycle** is joined by a **directed edge**

➤ must respect the directionality of edges.

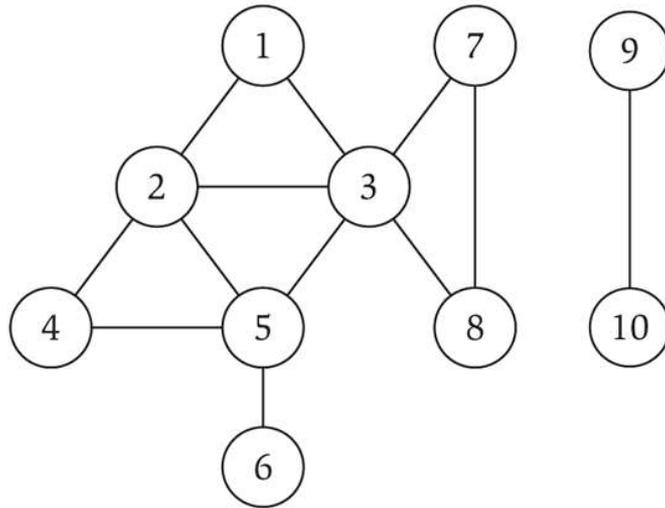


cycle $C = 1-2-4-5-3-1$

Not a cycle: $1-3-8-7-3-1$

Connected Graph

Def. An undirected graph is *connected* if, for *every pair* of nodes u and v , there is *a path from u to v* .

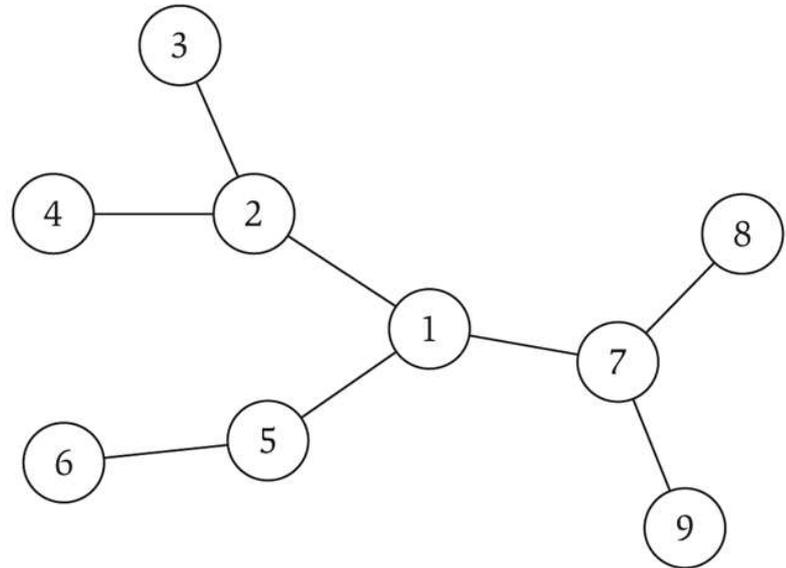


Trees

Def. An undirected graph is a **tree** if it is **connected** and **does not** contain a **cycle**.

Theorem. Let G be an undirected graph on n nodes. Any two of the following statements imply the third.

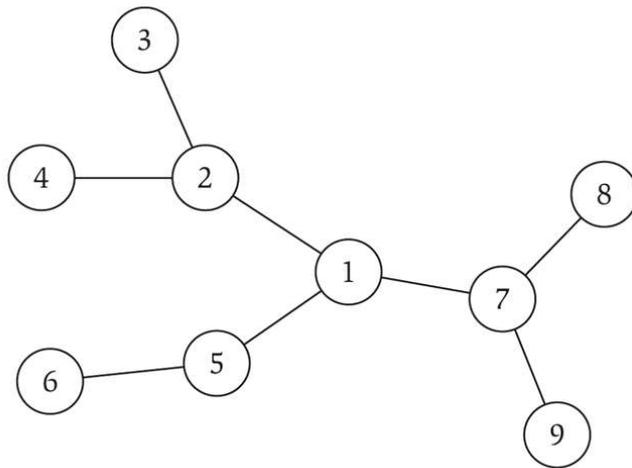
- G is connected.
- G does not contain a cycle.
- G has $n-1$ edges.



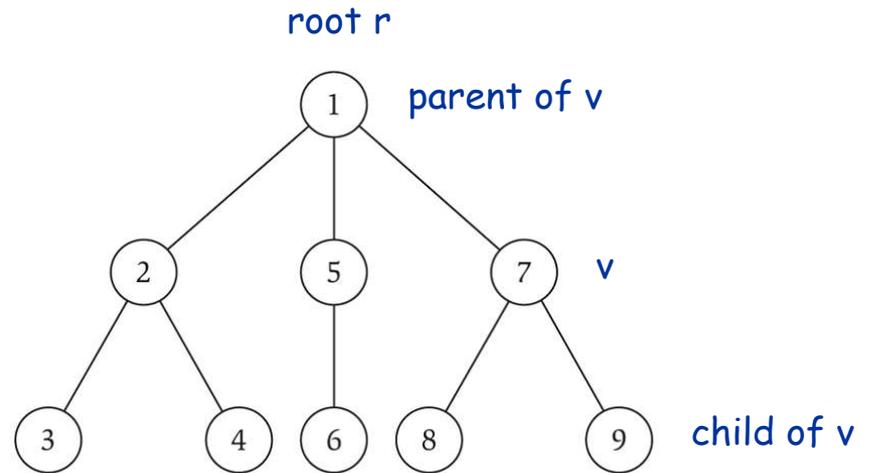
Rooted Trees

Rooted tree. Given a tree T , choose a **root node r** and **orient each edge away from r** .

Importance. Models hierarchical structure.



a tree

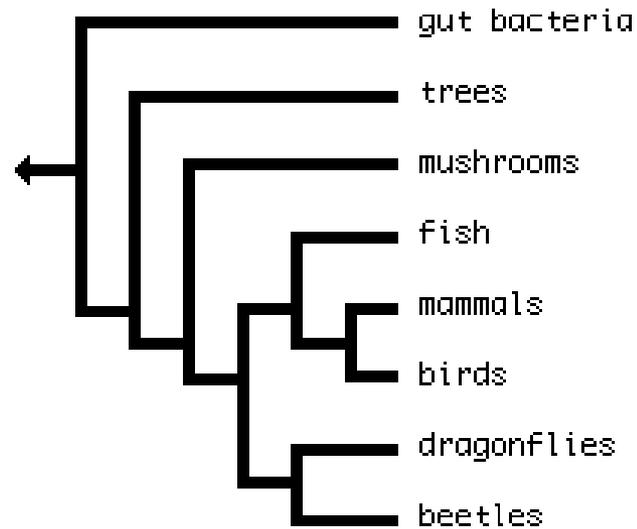


the same tree, rooted at 1

Phylogeny Trees

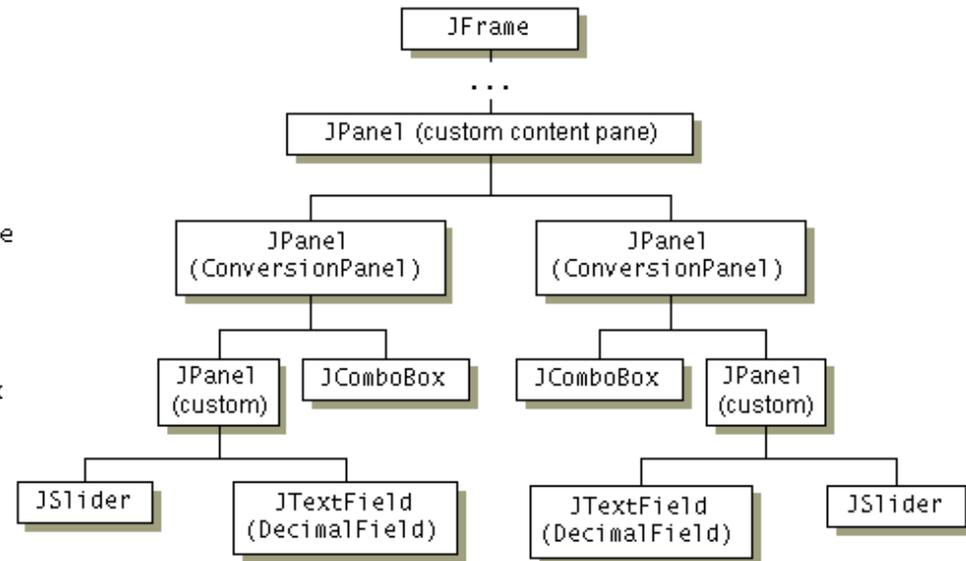
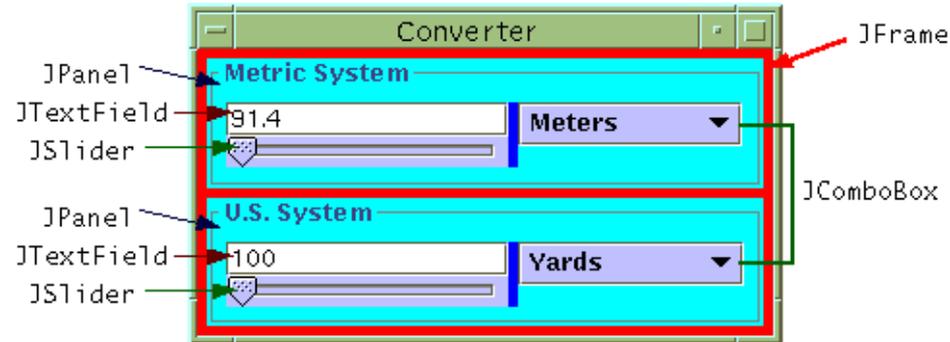
Phylogeny trees. Describe evolutionary history of species.

- biologists draw their tree from left to right



GUI Containment Hierarchy

GUI containment hierarchy. Describe organization of GUI widgets.



Graph Traversal

Connectivity

s-t connectivity problem. Given two node **s** and **t**, is there a **path** between **s** and **t**?

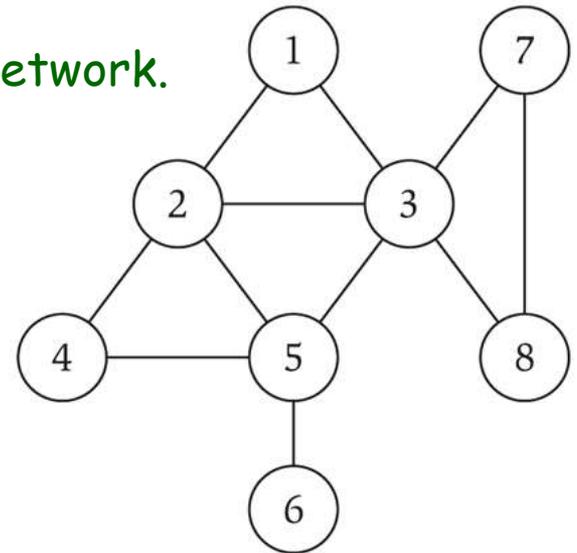
s-t shortest path problem. Given two node **s** and **t**, what is the length of the **shortest path** between **s** and **t**?

Applications.

- **Social Network:** deciding whether two persons are connected through a chain of friends.
- **Fewest number of hops in a communication network.**
- **Maze traversal.**

How to proceed to find 1-6 connectivity?

- **Need a systematic exploration of the graph**



Breadth First Search

Breadth First Search (BFS):

BFS(s) // Find a BFS tree rooted at s , which includes all nodes reachable from node s .

Create a Boolean array Discovered[1... n], Set Discovered[s] = true and Discovered[v] = false for all other v .

Create an empty FIFO queue Q , add node s to Q .

while Q is not empty

 dequeue a node u from Q

 for each node v adjacent to node u

 if Discovered[v] is false then

 add node v to Q , set Discovered[v] to true

 endif

 endfor

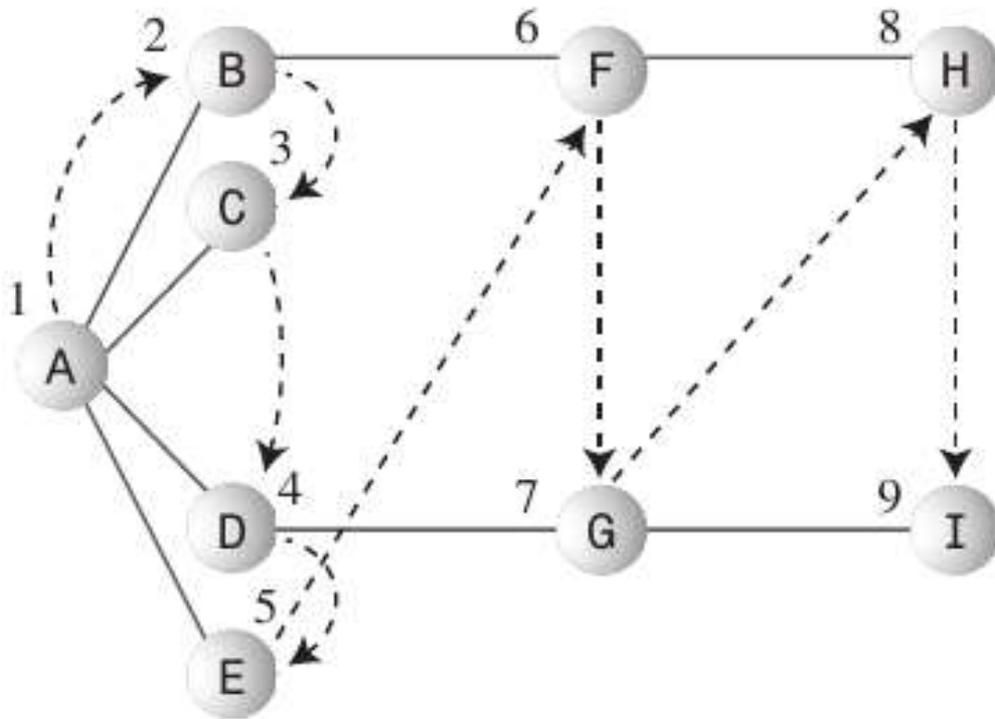
endwhile

Breadth First Search

BFS Tree:

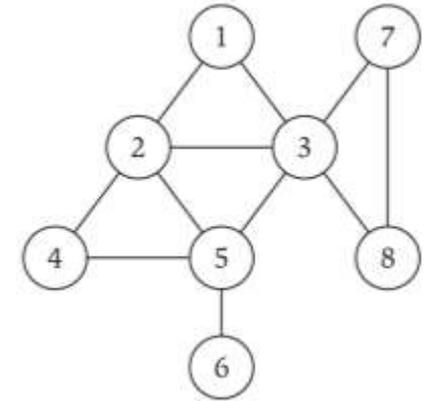
Create an empty tree T

Add edge (u, v) to the tree T , when v is discovered the first time



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Breadth First Search: Analysis



Analysis:

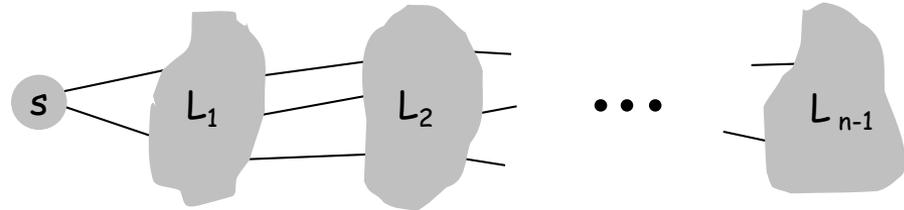
- A node u enters Q at most once, and the for loop needs nodes adjacent to every such u
- $O(1)$ to process an edge
- Finding all v adjacent to u :
 - Adjacency Matrix:
 - we have to check all matrix entries in u 's row: $O(n)$
 - total time required to process all rows of the Matrix: $O(n^2)$
 - Adjacency List:
 - when we consider node u , there are $\text{deg}(u)$ incident edges (u, v)
 - total time processing all the edges is $\sum_{u \in V} \text{deg}(u) = 2m \Rightarrow O(m)$
 - setup time for the array Discovered is $O(n)$, $\Rightarrow O(m + n)$
 - m is at least $n-1$ for connected graph, m dominates $\Rightarrow O(m)$

each edge (u, v) is counted exactly twice in sum: once in $\text{deg}(u)$ and once in $\text{deg}(v)$

Breadth First Search: Properties

BFS intuition. Explore outward from s in all possible directions, adding nodes one "layer" at a time.

BFS algorithm partitions the nodes into layers:



- $L_0 = \{ s \}$.
 - $L_1 =$ all neighbors of L_0 .
 - $L_2 =$ all nodes that do not belong to L_0 or L_1 , and that have an edge to a node in L_1 .
 - $L_{i+1} =$ all nodes that do not belong to an earlier layer, and that have an edge to a node in L_i .
- Implementation using Queue processes the nodes exactly layer by layer
- explores in order of distance from s .

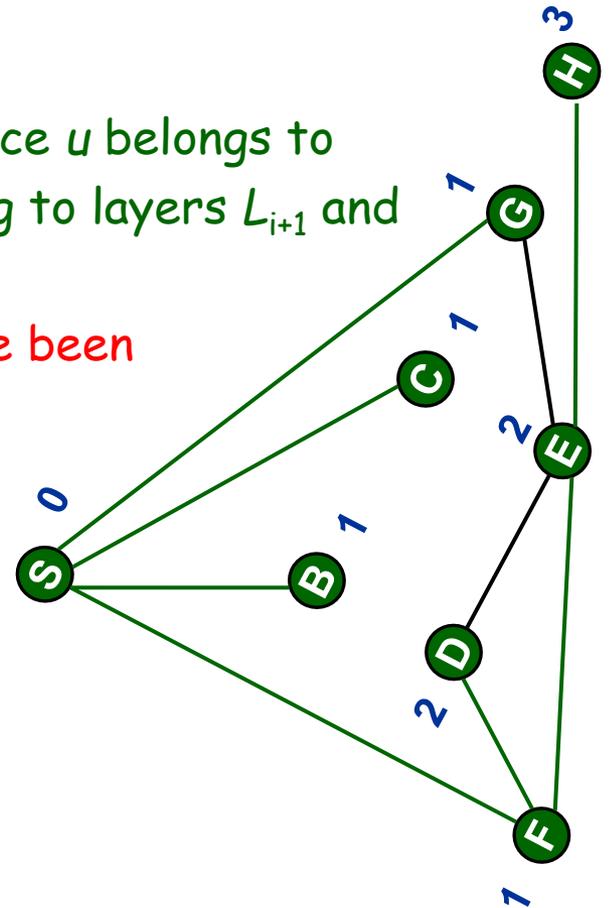
Breadth First Search: Properties

Property. Let T be a BFS tree of $G = (V, E)$, nodes u, v belong to T , and let (u, v) be an edge of G . Then the **level of u and v differ by at most 1.**

Let u, v belong to layers L_i and L_j respectively.

Suppose $i < j - 1$. (a contradiction)

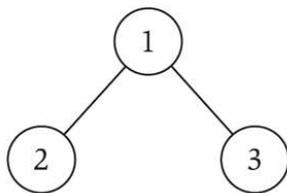
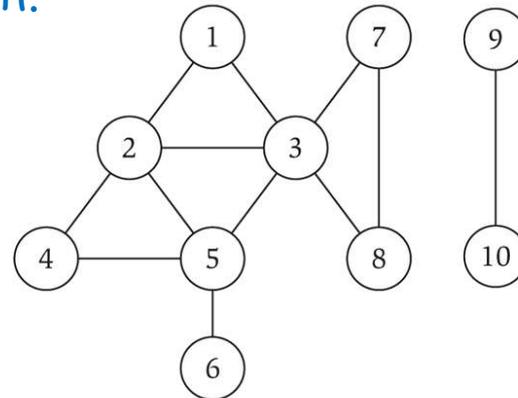
- When BFS examines the edges incident to u , since u belongs to layer L_i , the only nodes discovered from u belong to layers L_{i+1} and earlier;
- hence, if v is a neighbor of u , then it should have been discovered by this point at the latest, and
- should belong to layer L_{i+1} or earlier



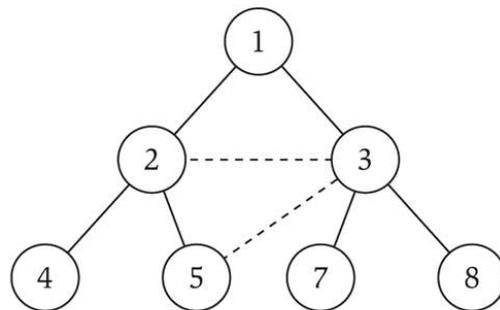
Breadth First Search: Properties

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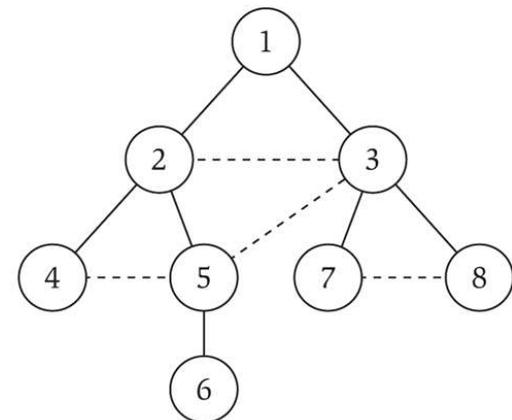
- For each i , L_i consists of all nodes at distance exactly i from s .
- There is a path from s to t iff t appears in some layer.
- Moreover: s - t is a shortest path.



(a)



(b)



(c)

L_0

L_1

L_2

L_3

Depth First Search

Depth First Search (DFS):

Create a Boolean array `Explored[1...n]`, initialized to false for all.

DFS(*u*)

set `Explored[u]` to true

for each node *v* adjacent to node *u*

 if `Explored[v]` is false then

 DFS(*v*)

 endif

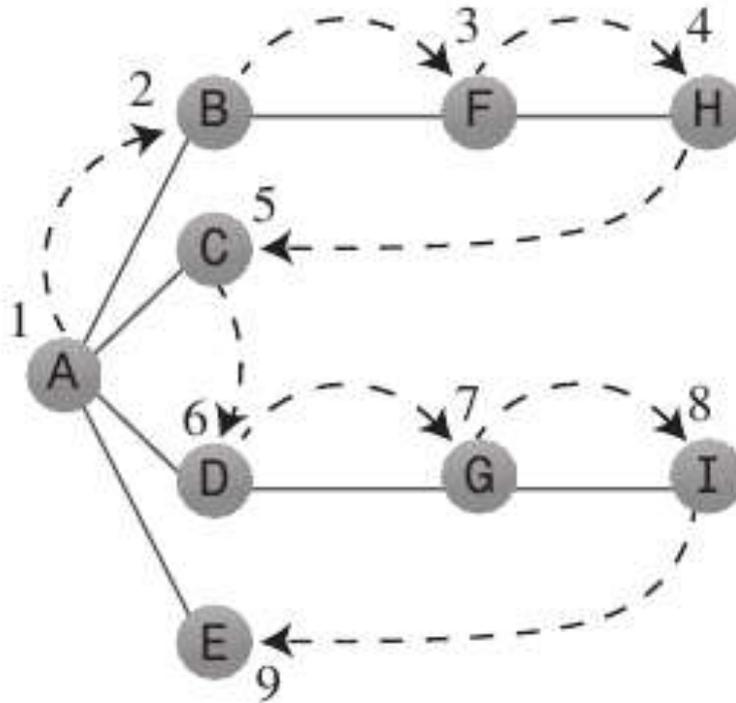
endfor

- Call DFS(*s*)
 - each recursive call is done only after termination of the previous call, this gives the desired depth first behavior.
- In iterative implementation, maintain a stack explicitly.

Depth First Search

DFS tree:

Take an array `parent`, set `parent[v] = u` when calling `DFS(v)` due to edge (u, v) .
While setting u ($u \neq s$) as Explored, add the edge $(u, \text{parent}[u])$ to the tree.

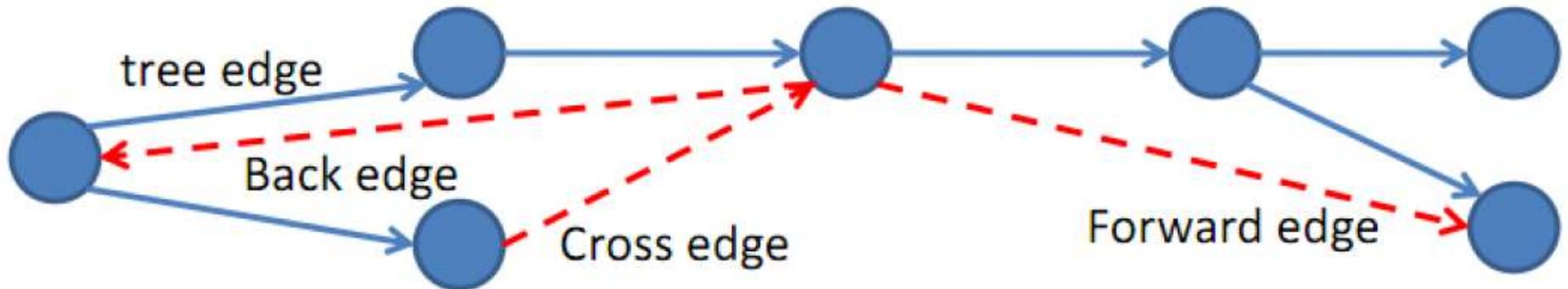


Depth First Search: Edge Classification

Edge Classification:

As we execute DFS, an edge (u, v) can be classified into **four** edge types.

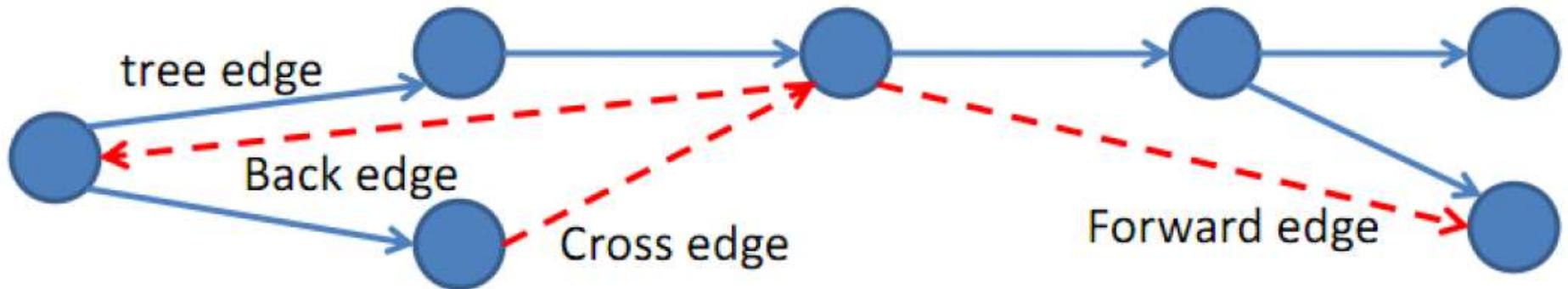
- IF v is visited for the first time as we traverse the edge (u, v) ,
 1. then the edge is a **tree edge**.
- ELSE, v has already been visited:
 2. If v is an ancestor of u , then (u, v) is a **back edge**.
 3. Else, if v is a descendant of u , then (u, v) is a **forward edge**.
 4. Else, if v is neither an ancestor or descendant of u , then (u, v) is a **cross edge**. (u and v belong to different paths from the root)



Depth First Search: Edge Classification

Important Properties:

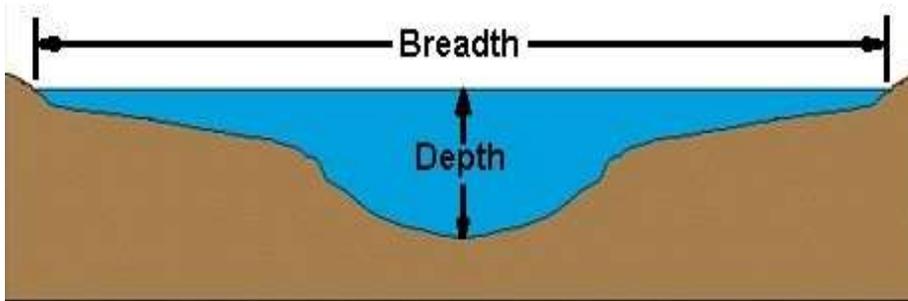
- tree edges form the DFS tree in G .
- G has a **cycle** if and only if DFS finds **at least one back edge**.
- G is undirected graph: **it cannot contain forward edges and cross edges**
 - the edge (v, u) would have already been traversed during DFS before we reach u and try to visit v via edge (u, v) .



BFS vs. DFS

BFS: Put unvisited vertices on a queue.

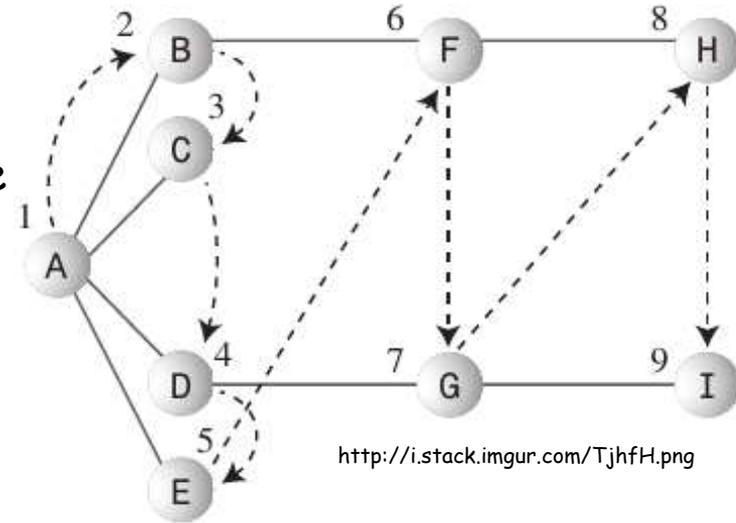
- Examines vertices in increasing distance from s .
- Using adjacency list requires $O(m)$.



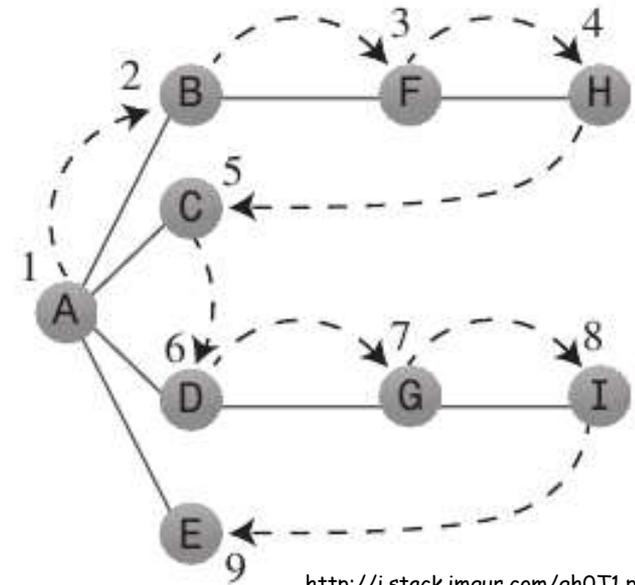
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DFS: Put unvisited vertices on a stack.

- tries to explore as deeply as possible
 - Mimics maze exploration.
- $O(m)$ due to similar reasoning.



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Finding all Articulation Points

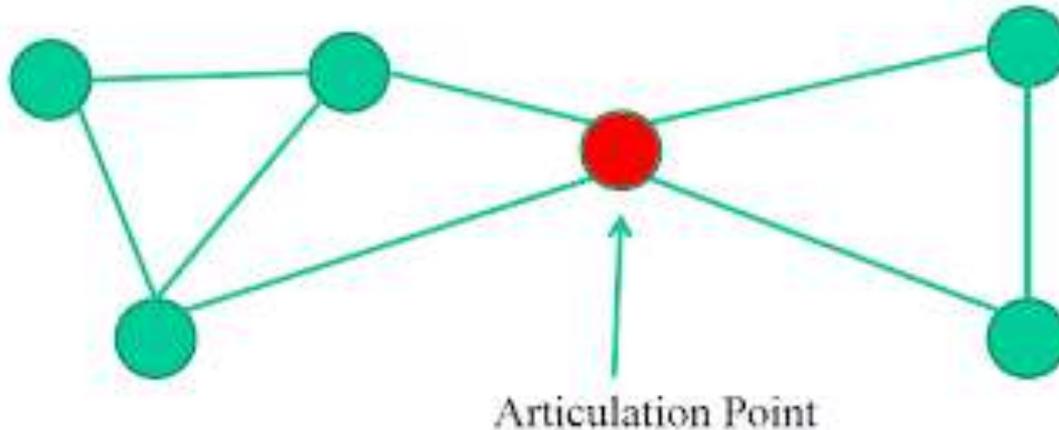
Def. An articulation point in a **connected, undirected graph** is a node v such that **removal of v** and of the edges incident to v makes the **graph disconnected**.

Given: an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$.

Goal: Find all articulation points.

Motivation:

reliability (failure tolerance) of communication networks



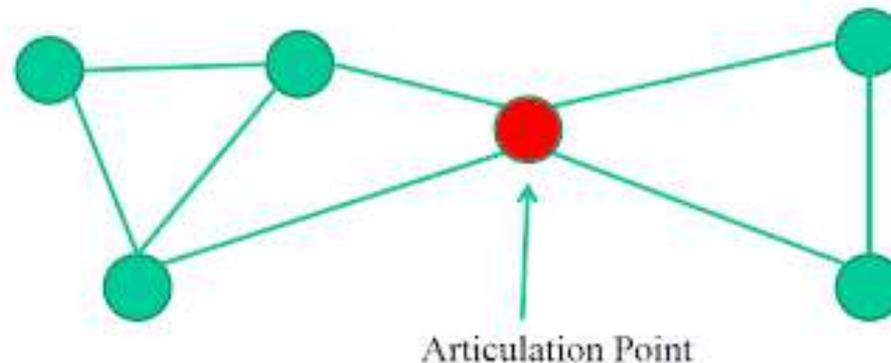
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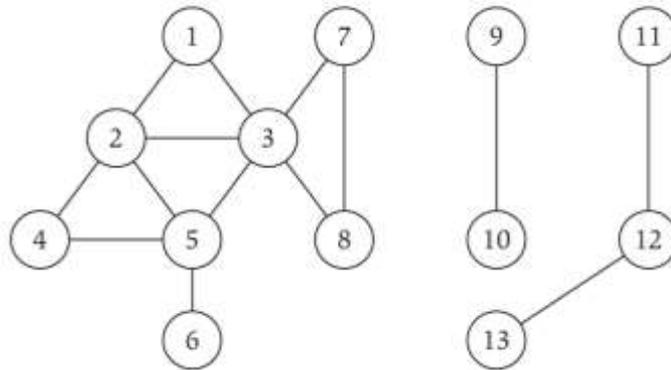
Observation: there no cross edges in DFS tree on undirected graphs.

- Chose arbitrary start node s and find a DFS tree rooted at s
 - s is an articulation point iff s has more than one child in the DFS tree
- run DFS n times, once from every start node, which costs $O(nm)$ time.
 - Amazingly, it is possible achieve $O(m)$ time, using only one DFS tree and a variant of dynamic programming



Connected Component

Connected component. Find all nodes reachable from s .



Connected component containing node 1 = $\{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 \}$.

Connected Component

Connected component. In undirected graph G , Find all nodes reachable from s .

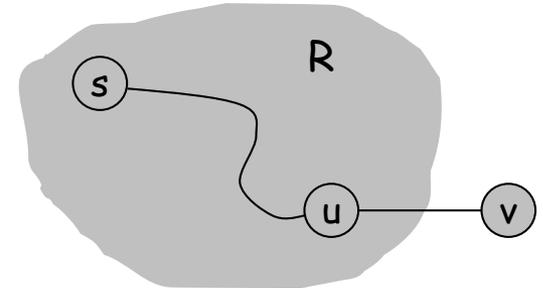
R will consist of nodes to which s has a path

Initially $R = \{s\}$

While there is an edge (u, v) where $u \in R$ and $v \notin R$

 Add v to R

Endwhile



it's safe to add v

Upon termination, R is the connected component containing s .

➤ **BFS, DFS $\Rightarrow O(m)$**

G is connected?

➤ iff all nodes are reachable from arbitrary node s

All connected components of G ?

➤ $O(m + n)$: If the search has aborted without finding all nodes, restart the search in a yet unmarked node, and so on.

Strong Connectivity

A directed graph G is strongly connected if, for every two nodes u and v , there is a path from u to v and a path from v to u .

- The street map of a city with one-way streets should be strongly connected, or the traffic planners made a mistake.

G is a directed graph, Is G Strongly Connected?

- G^{rev} : obtained from G simply by reversing the direction of every edge
- Run BFS (or DFS) with an arbitrary start node s , once on each G , and G^{rev}
 - both searches reach all nodes IFF G is Strongly Connected

Strong Connectivity

All Strongly connected components of G ?

- Find out the strongly connected component containing s (same as in Strong Connectivity check)
- Restart the search in a node, yet not part of any strong component,
- and so on.
- $O(nm)$: Worst case G has many small connected components, $O(m)$ time for each one using the above approach.
- Remark: $O(m)$ is achievable by some tricky use of DFS, we skip.

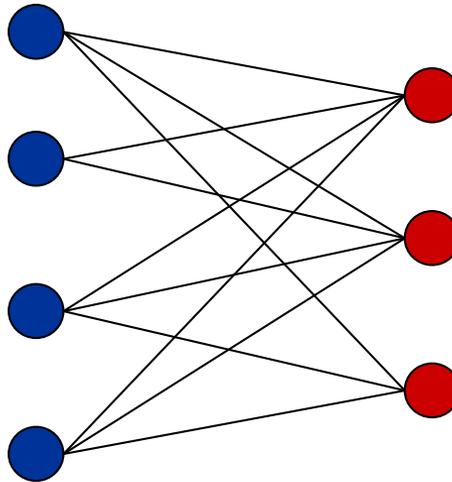
Testing Bipartiteness (One Graph Two colors)

Bipartite Graphs

Def. An **undirected** graph $G = (V, E)$ is **bipartite** if the nodes can be colored red or blue such that **every edge** has **one red** and **one blue** end.

Applications.

- Scheduling: machines = red, jobs = blue.

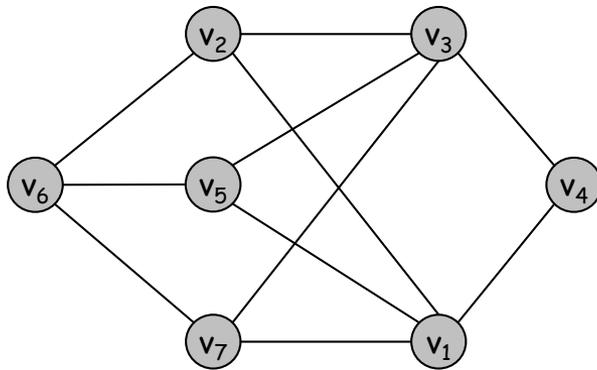


a bipartite graph

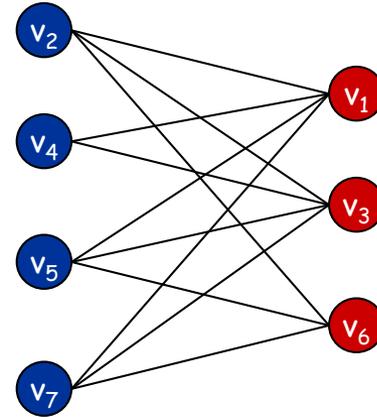
Testing Bipartiteness

Testing bipartiteness. Given a graph G , is it bipartite?

- Many graph problems become:
 - easier if the underlying graph is bipartite (matching)
 - tractable if the underlying graph is bipartite (independent set)

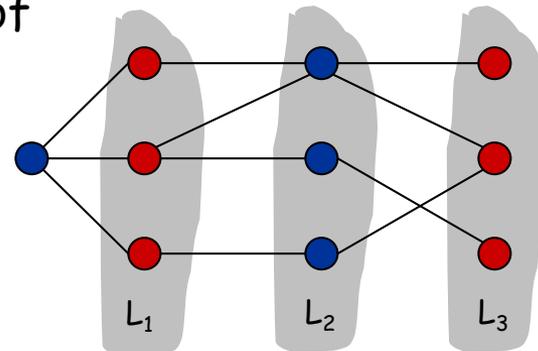


a bipartite graph G



another drawing of G

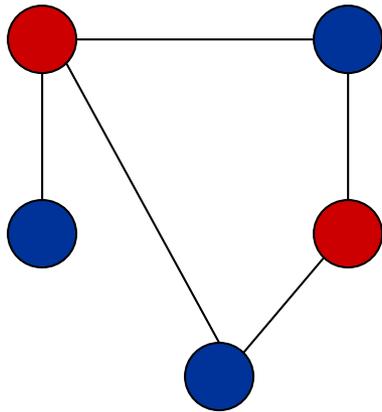
- we need to understand structure of bipartite graphs.



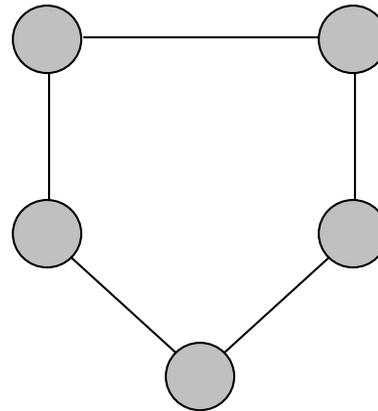
An Obstruction to Bipartiteness

Lemma. If a graph G is bipartite, it cannot contain an **odd length cycle**.

Pf. Not possible to 2-color the odd cycle, let alone G .



bipartite
(2-colorable)

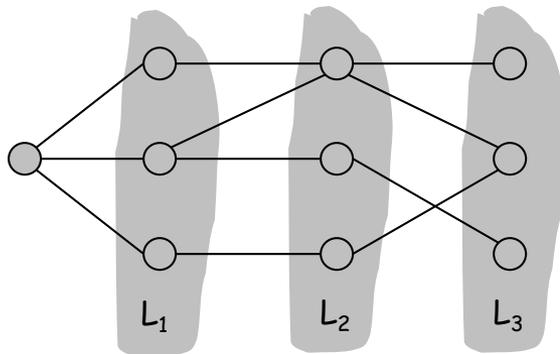


not bipartite
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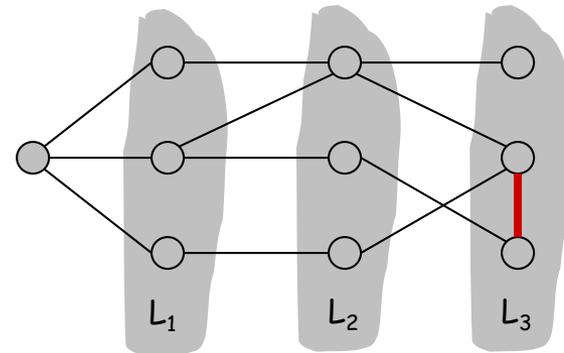
Bipartite Graphs

Lemma. Let G be a **connected** graph, and let L_0, \dots, L_k be the layers produced by BFS starting at node s . Exactly one of the following holds.

- (i) No edge of G joins two nodes of the same layer, and G is bipartite.
- (ii) An edge of G joins two nodes of the same layer, and G contains an odd-length cycle (and hence is not bipartite).



Case (i)



Case (ii)

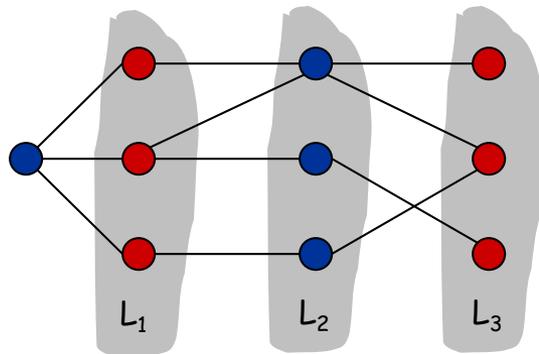
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Pf. (i)

- By assumption edges don't join nodes on same layer
 - Every edge joins two nodes in adjacent layers.
- Bipartition: red = nodes on odd levels, blue = nodes on even levels.



Case (i)

Bipartite Graphs

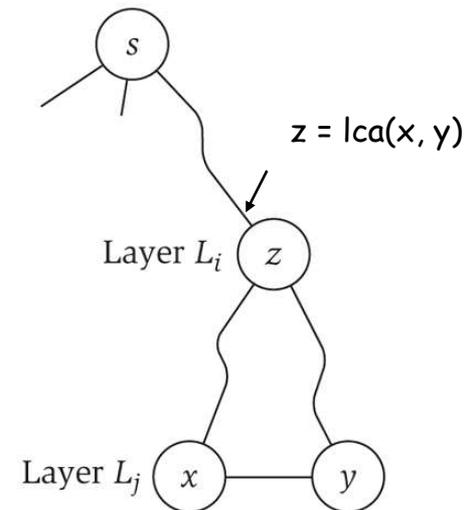
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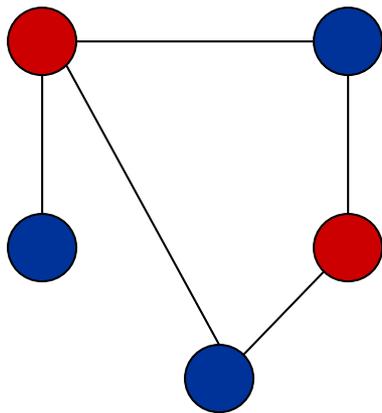
- Suppose (x, y) is an edge with x, y in same level L_j .
- Let $z = \text{lca}(x, y) =$ lowest common ancestor.
- Let L_i be level containing z .
- Consider cycle that takes edge from x to y , then path from y to z , then path from z to x .
- Its length is $\underbrace{1}_{(x, y)} + \underbrace{(j-i)}_{\text{path from } y \text{ to } z} + \underbrace{(j-i)}_{\text{path from } z \text{ to } x}$, which is $2(j - i) + 1$, an odd number. ▪

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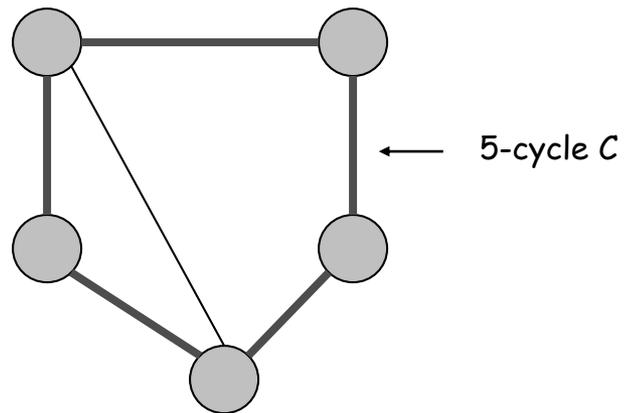


Obstruction to Bipartiteness

Corollary. A graph G is bipartite iff it contains no odd length cycle.



bipartite
(2-colorable)



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