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# ALGORITHMS AND DATA STRUCTURES

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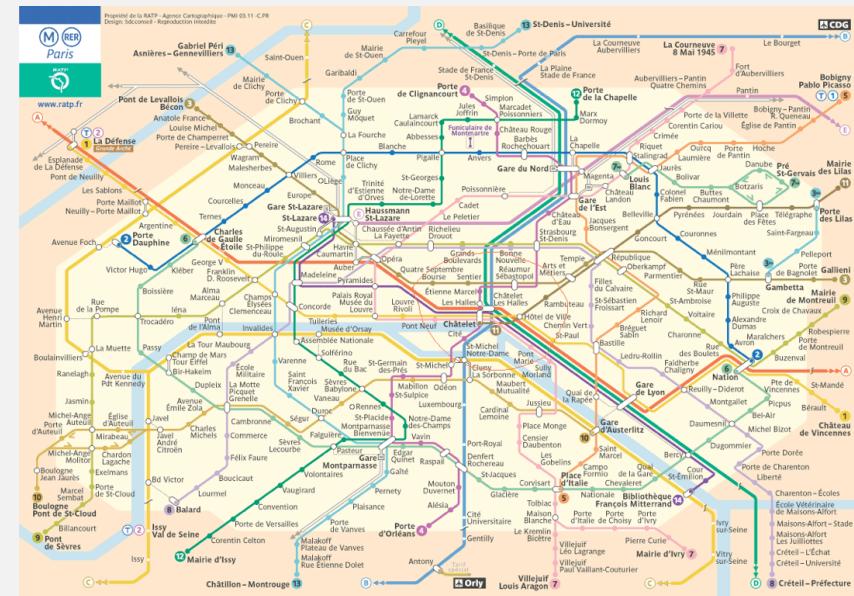
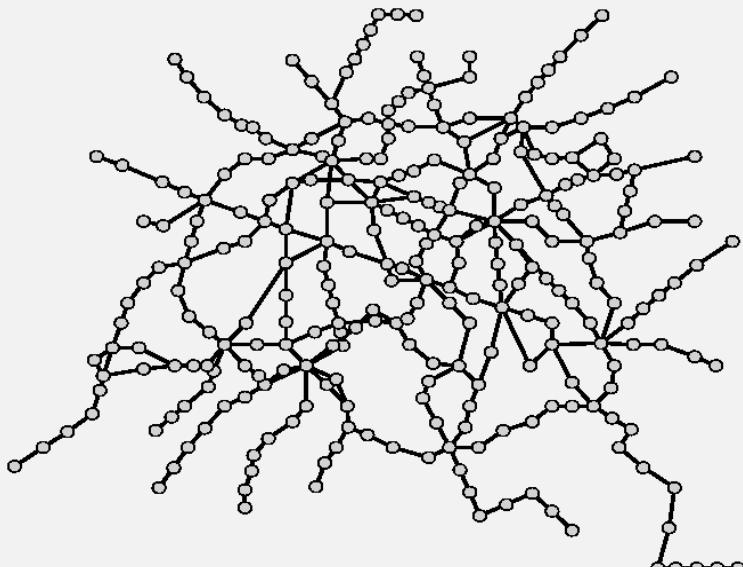
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# Undirected graphs

Graph. Set of vertices connected pairwise by edges.

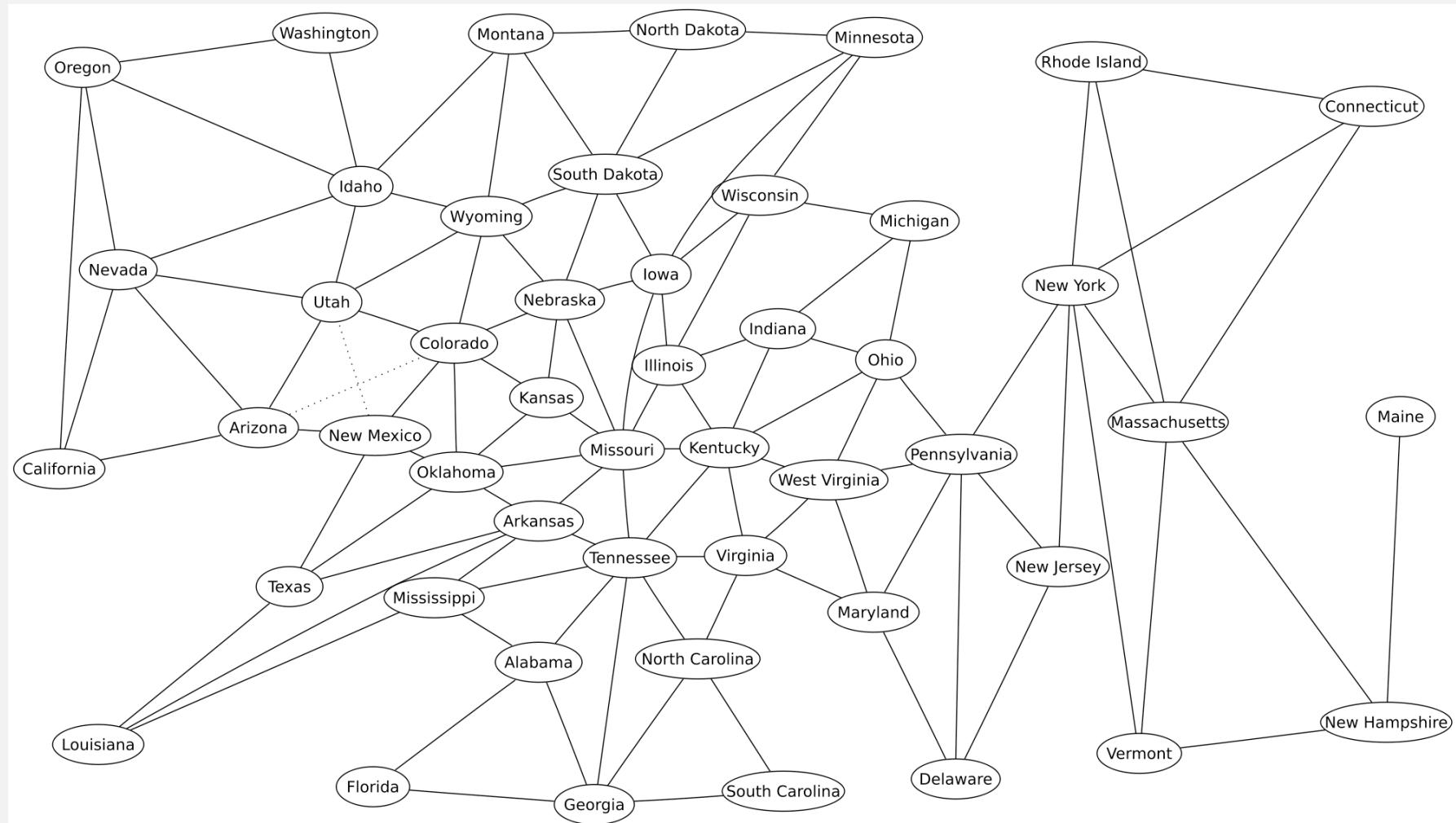
## Why study graph algorithms?

- Thousands of practical applications.
- Hundreds of graph algorithms known.
- Interesting and broadly useful abstraction.
- Challenging branch of computer science and discrete math.



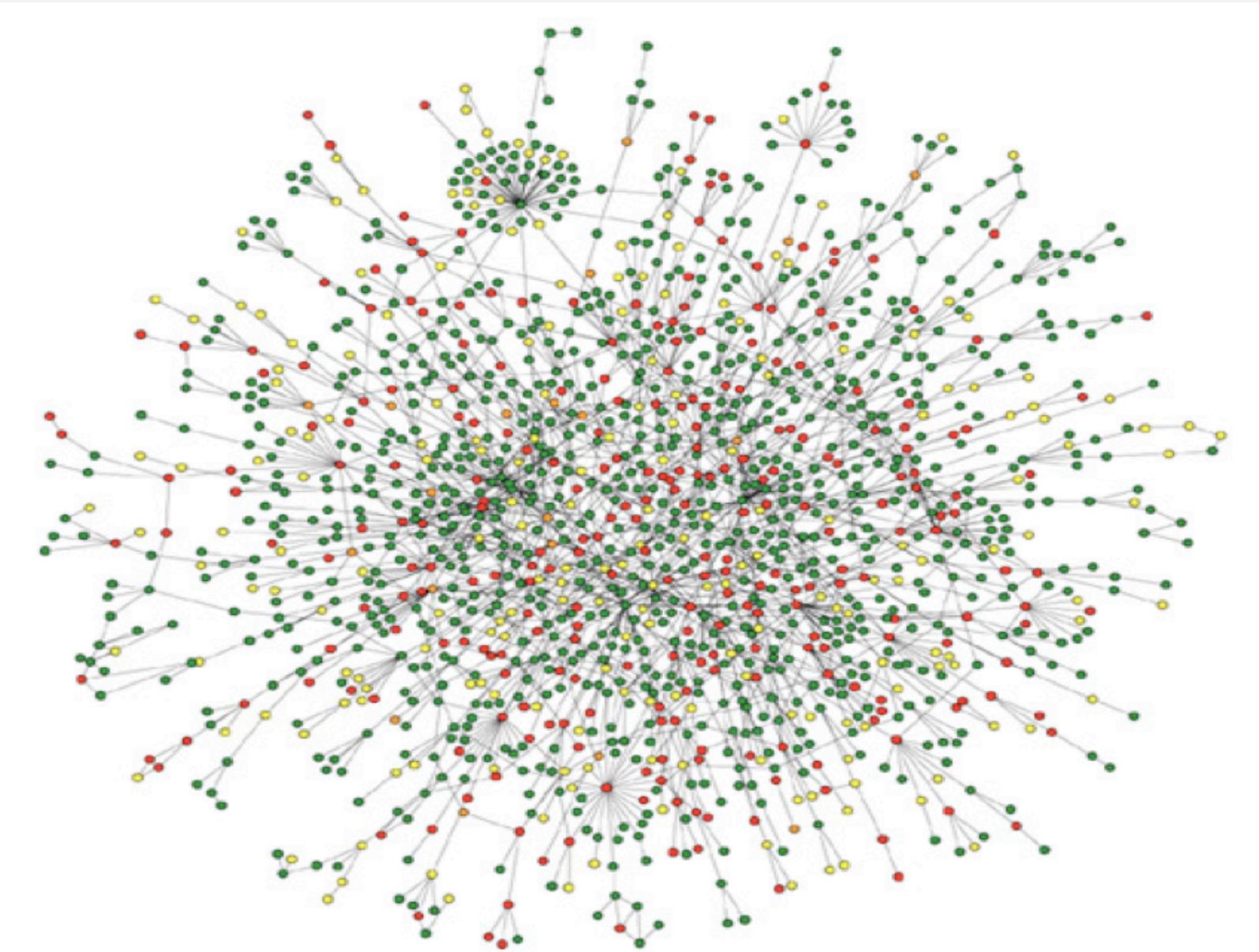
# Border graph of 48 contiguous United States

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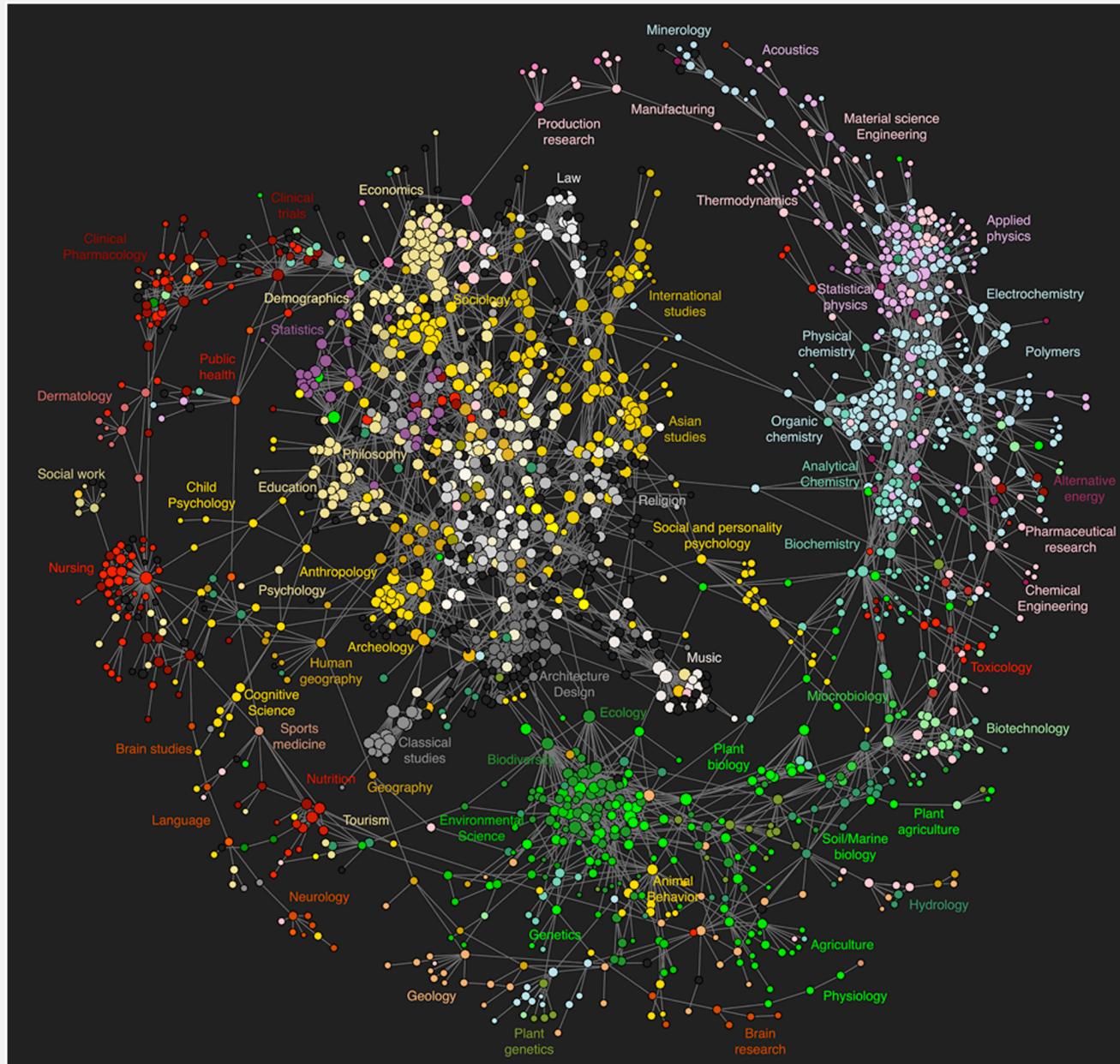
# Protein-protein interaction network

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Reference: Jeong et al, Nature Review | Genetics

# Map of science clickstreams



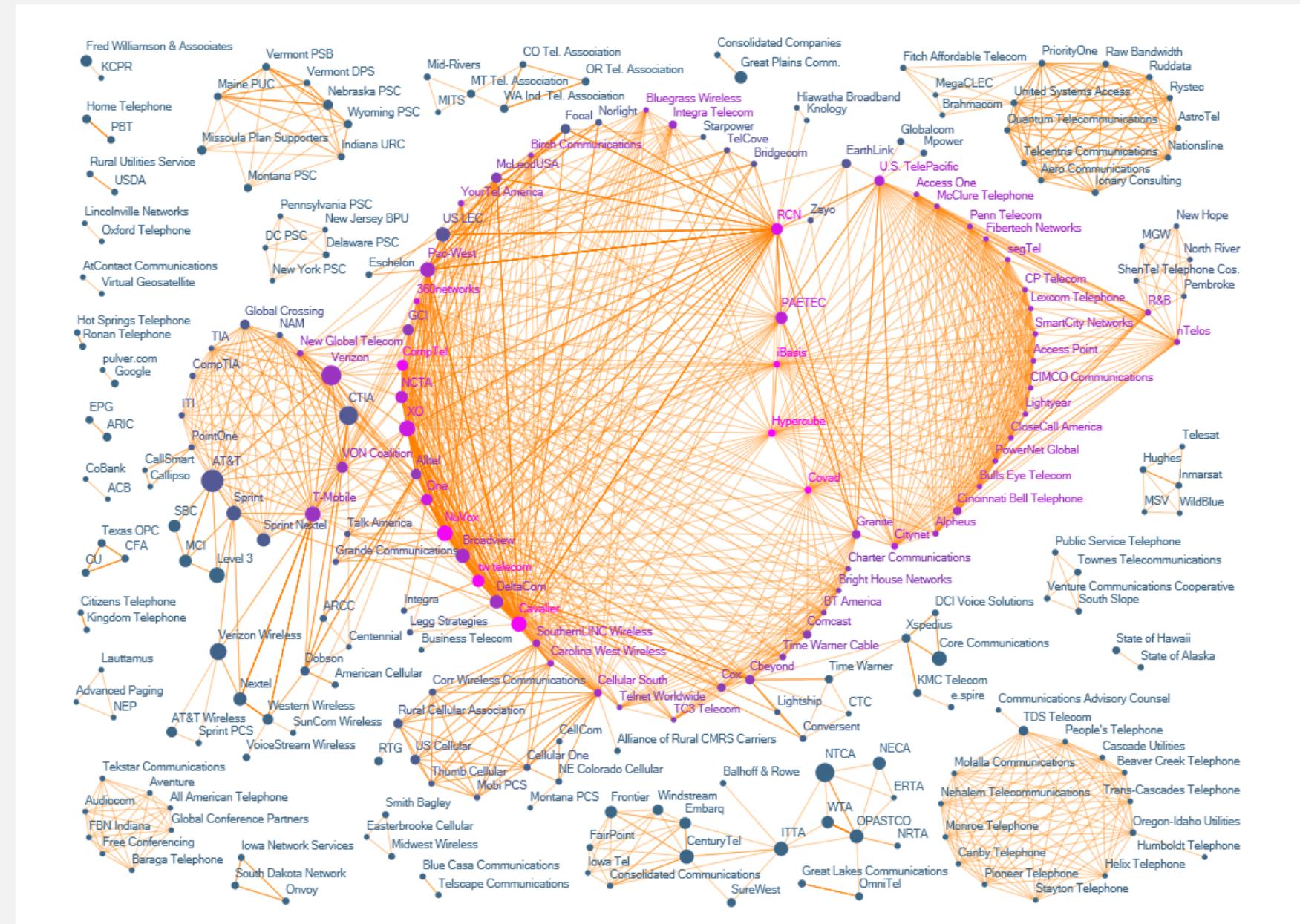
# 10 million Facebook friends

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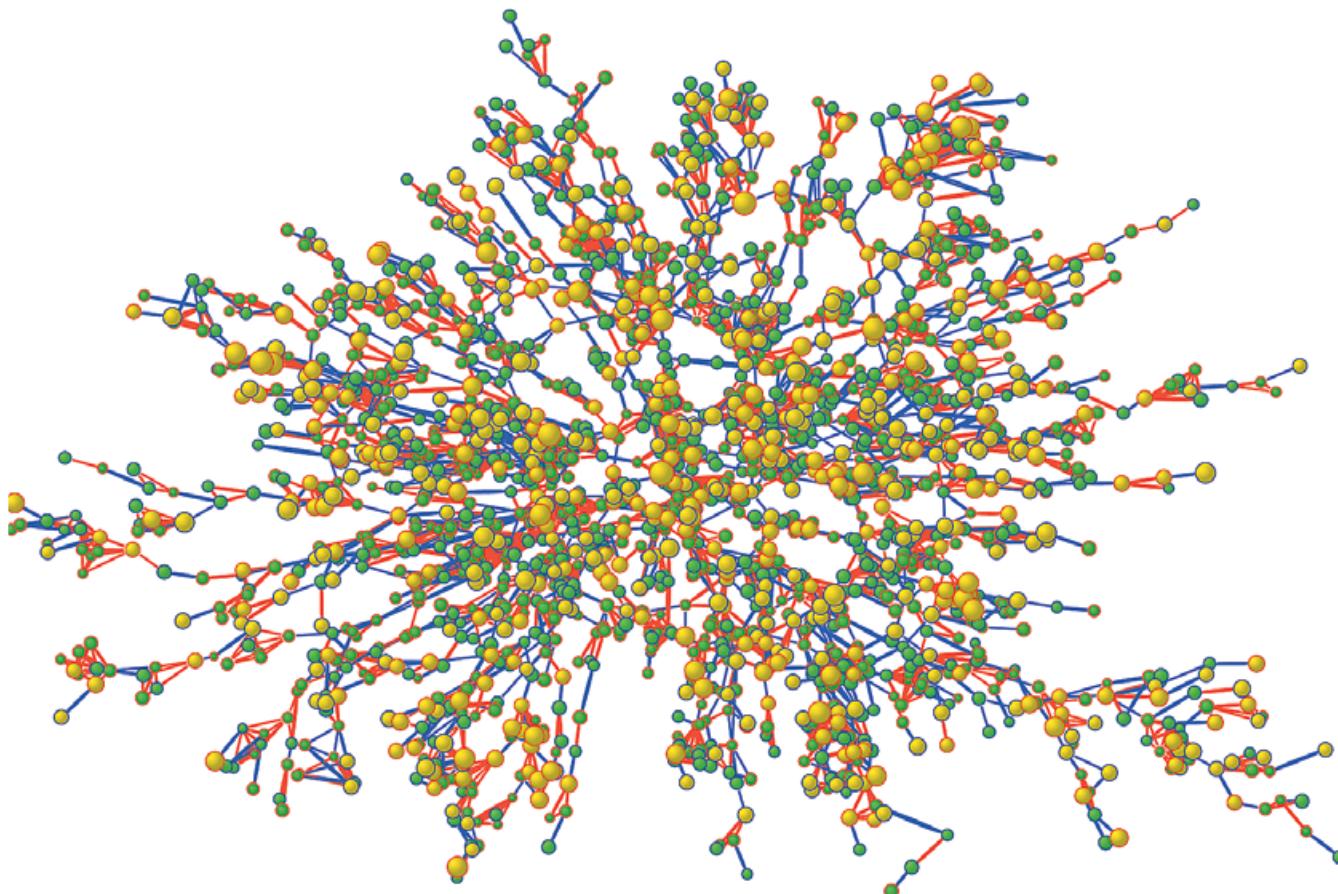
"Visualizing Friendships" by Paul Butler

# The evolution of FCC lobbying coalitions



**“The Evolution of FCC Lobbying Coalitions” by Pierre de Vries in JoSS Visualization Symposium 2010**

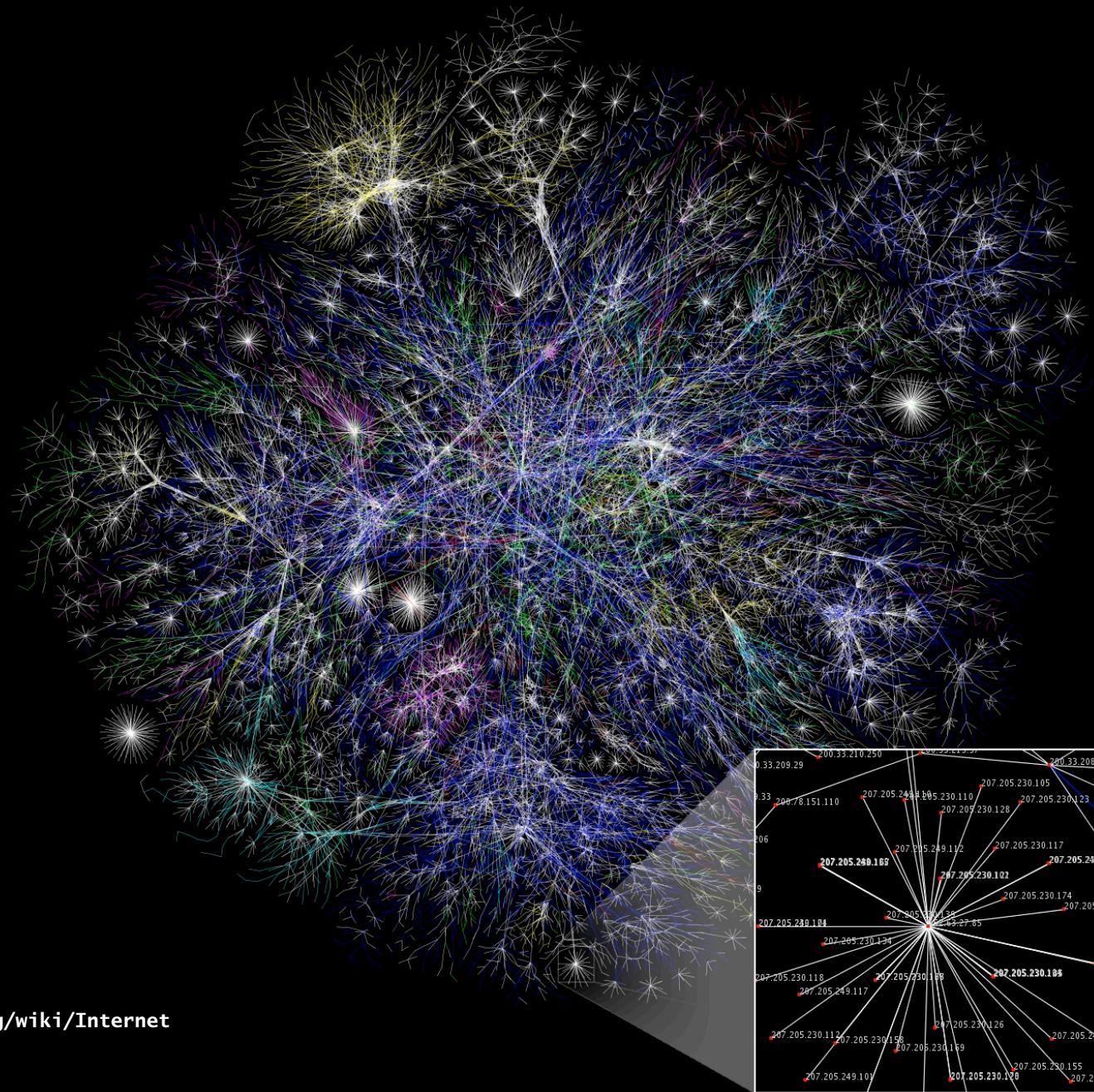
# Framingham heart study



**Figure 1. Largest Connected Subcomponent of the Social Network in the Framingham Heart Study in the Year 2000.**

Each circle (node) represents one person in the data set. There are 2200 persons in this subcomponent of the social network. Circles with red borders denote women, and circles with blue borders denote men. The size of each circle is proportional to the person's body-mass index. The interior color of the circles indicates the person's obesity status: yellow denotes an obese person (body-mass index,  $\geq 30$ ) and green denotes a nonobese person. The colors of the ties between the nodes indicate the relationship between them: purple denotes a friendship or marital tie and orange denotes a familial tie.

# The Internet as mapped by the Opte Project



<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Internet>

# Graph applications

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graph	vertex	edge
<b>communication</b>	telephone, computer	fiber optic cable
<b>circuit</b>	gate, register, processor	wire
<b>mechanical</b>	joint	rod, beam, spring
<b>financial</b>	stock, currency	transactions
<b>transportation</b>	intersection	street
<b>internet</b>	class C network	connection
<b>game</b>	board position	legal move
<b>social relationship</b>	person	friendship
<b>neural network</b>	neuron	synapse
<b>protein network</b>	protein	protein-protein interaction
<b>molecule</b>	atom	bond

# Bipartite matching problem

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N students apply for N jobs.



Each gets several offers.



Is there a way to match all students to jobs?



## bipartite matching problem

1	Alice	6	Adobe
	Adobe		Alice
	Amazon		Bob
	Google		Carol
2	Bob	7	Amazon
	Adobe		Alice
	Amazon		Bob
3	Carol		Dave
	Adobe		Eliza
	Facebook	8	Facebook
	Google		Carol
4	Dave	9	Google
	Amazon		Alice
	Yahoo		Carol
5	Eliza	10	Yahoo
	Amazon		Dave
	Yahoo		Eliza

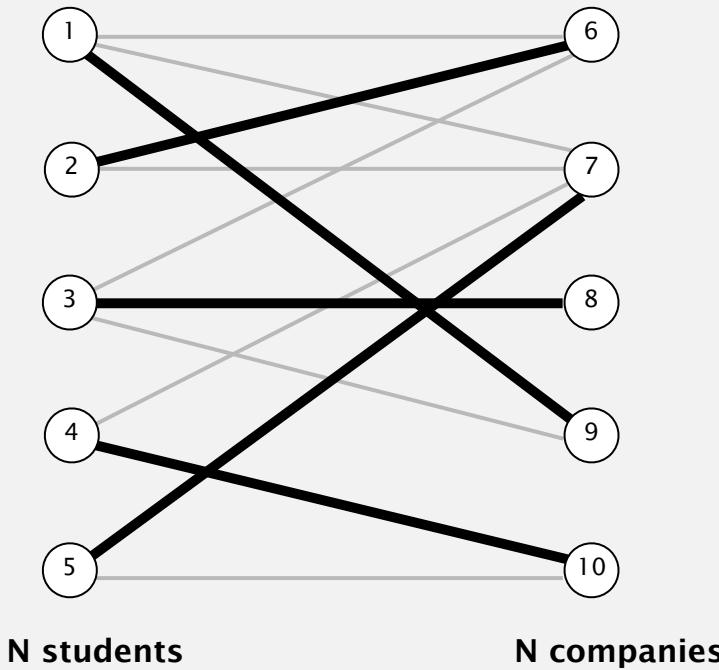
## Bipartite matching problem

Given a bipartite graph, find a perfect matching.

## perfect matching (solution)

Alice	—	Google
Bob	—	Adobe
Carol	—	Facebook
Dave	—	Yahoo
Eliza	—	Amazon

## bipartite graph



## bipartite matching problem

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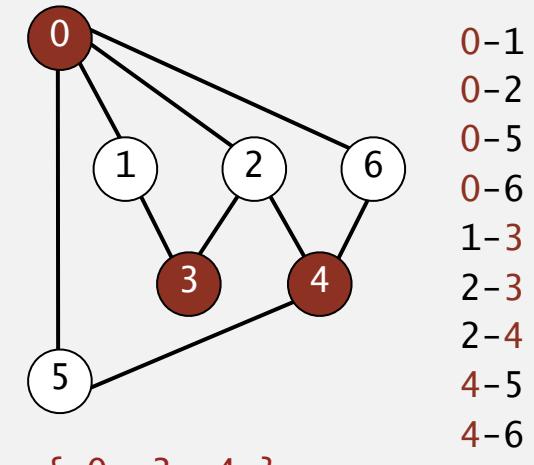
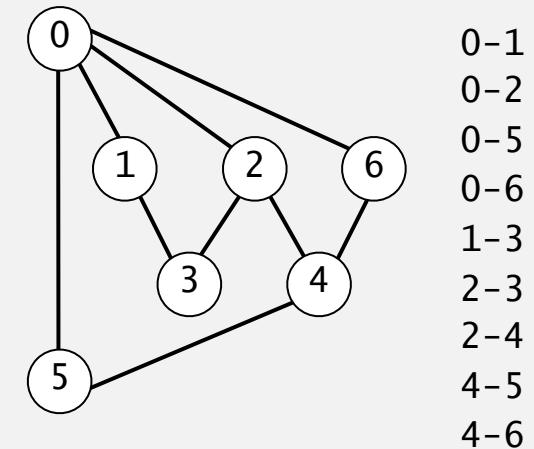
# Graph-processing challenge 1

Problem. Is a graph bipartite?

How difficult?

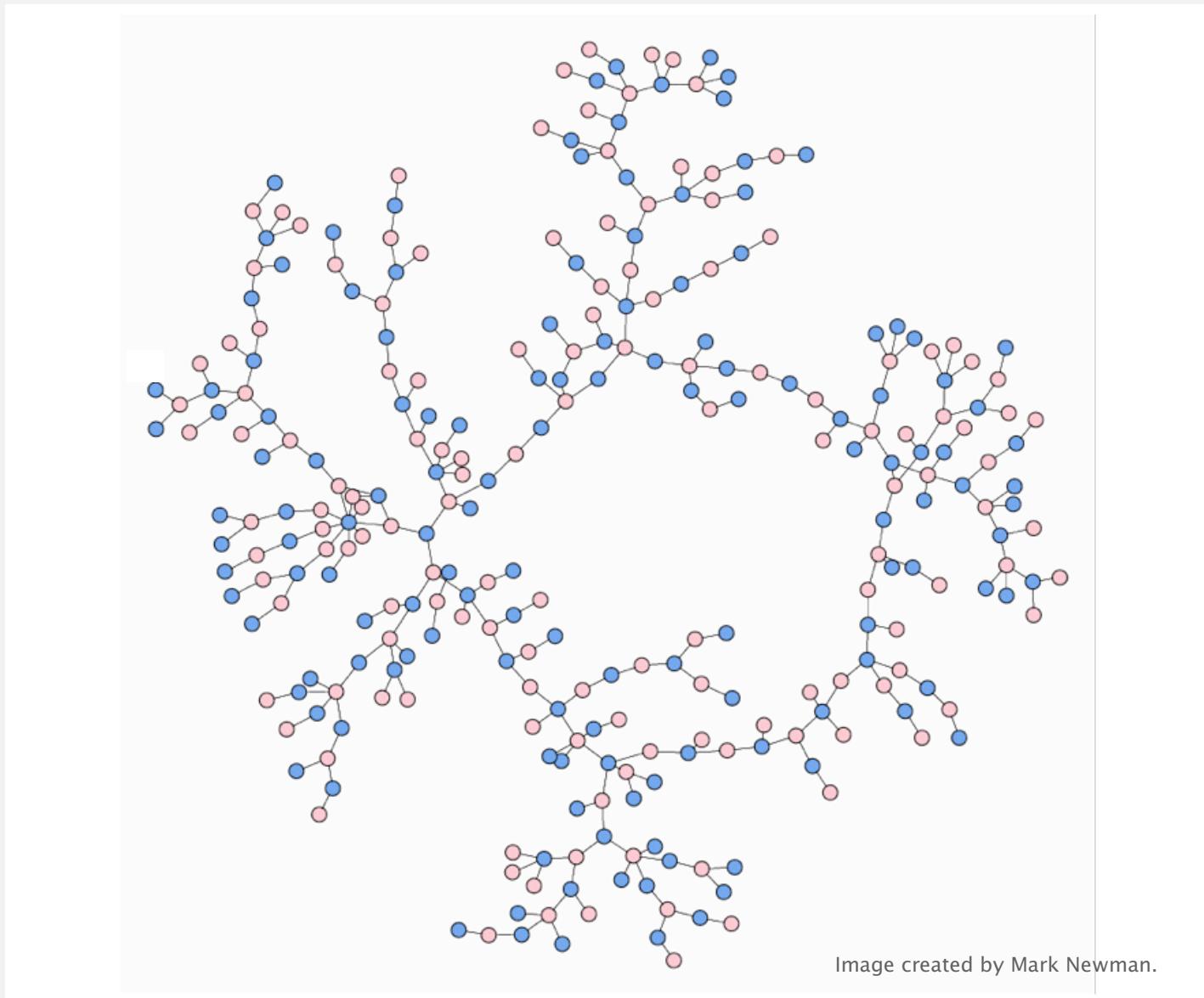
- Any programmer could do it.
- ✓ • Typical diligent algorithms student could do it.
- Hire an expert.
- Intractable.
- No one knows.
- Impossible.

simple DFS-based solution  
(see textbook)



## Bipartiteness application: is dating graph bipartite?

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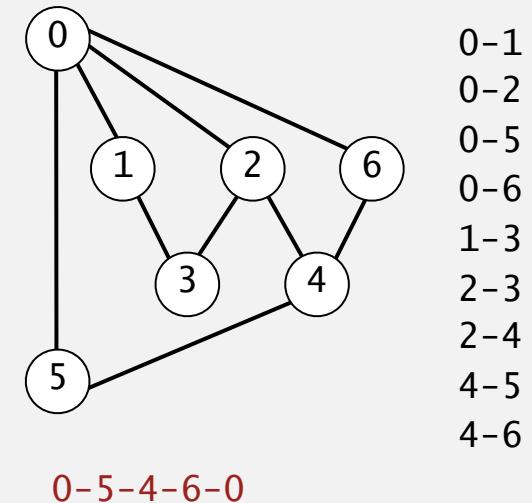
# Graph-processing challenge 2

Problem. Find a cycle.

How difficult?

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- Hire an expert.
- Intractable.
- No one knows.
- Impossible.

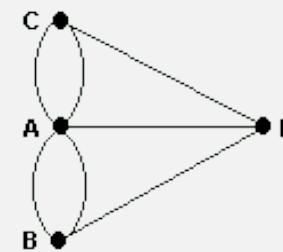
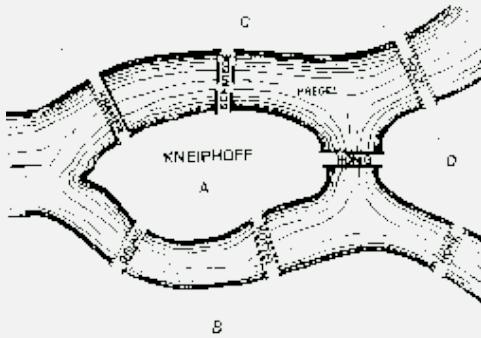
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# Bridges of Königsberg

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

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

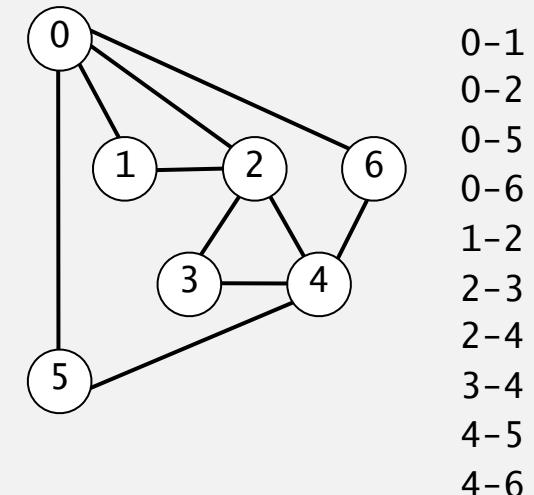
# Graph-processing challenge 3

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

How difficult?

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- Hire an expert.
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Euler cycle  
(classic graph-processing problem)



0-1-2-3-4-2-0-6-4-5-0

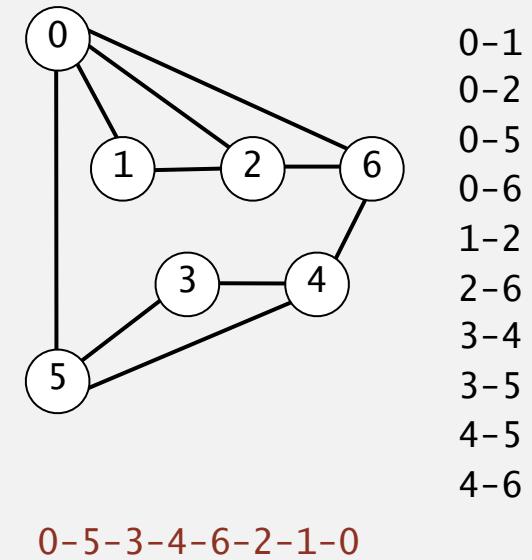
# Graph-processing challenge 4

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

How difficult?

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

Hamilton cycle  
(classical NP-complete problem)



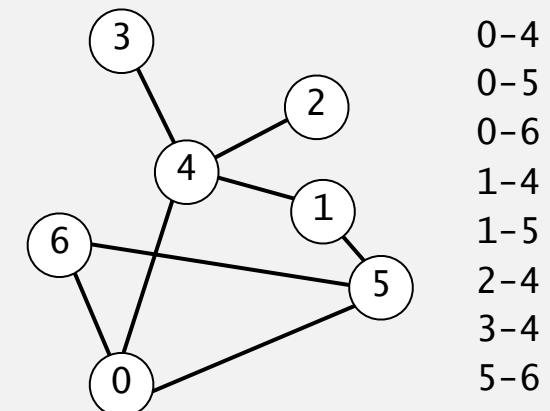
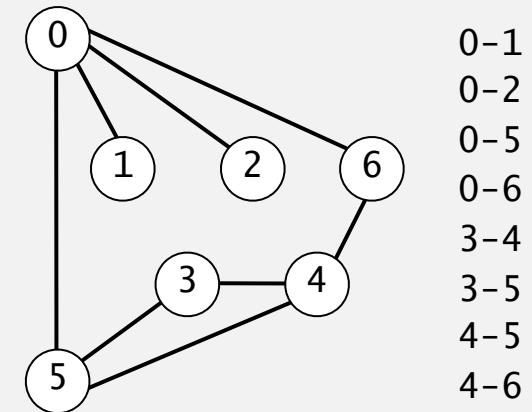
# Graph-processing challenge 5

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.
- Intractable.
- ✓ • No one knows.
- Impossible.

graph isomorphism is  
longstanding open problem



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

# Graph-processing challenge 6

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

How difficult?

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

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

