If you send me e-mail, it would help a lot if you include the course name in your subject header and an informative title.

The two classes I am teaching are both algorithms classes and it will help me to know which one you are asking me about.

For example:
CSC 482: Clockwise BFS
Change the title on subsequent messages- it will help ensure I do not accidentally miss any of your questions.

## Graphs

An undirected graph $G$ consists of a set $V$ of vertices and a set $E$ of edges where each edge in $E$ is associated with an unordered pair of vertices from $V$.
The degree of a vertex $v$ is the number of edges incident to $v$.

If $(u, v)$ is in $E$ then $u$ and $v$ are adjacent.
A simple graph has no loops or multiple edges.





Road Network


Graphs representing chemical molecules


Polyhedra


Tube map from London, England.

## Computer networks

Social networks
Facebook: vertices are people, add an edge between pairs of people are friends

Water networks
Electrical networks
Wireless networks- add an edge if two sensors are close enough to transmit to each other

## Data Structures for Graphs

How can graphs be stored in the computer? How does this affect the time complexity of algorithms for graphs?

A cycle of a graph is an alternating sequence of vertices and edges of the form $v_{0},\left(v_{0}, v_{1}\right), v_{1}$, $\left(v_{1}, v_{2}\right), v_{2},\left(v_{2}, v_{3}\right), \ldots, v_{k-1},\left(v_{k-1}, v_{k}\right), v_{k}$ where except for $v_{0}=v_{k}$ the vertices are distinct.
Exercise: define path, define connected.
A tree is a connected graph with no cycles.
A subgraph $H$ of a graph $G$ is a graph with $V(H) \subseteq V(G)$ and $E(H) \subseteq E(G)$.
$H$ is spanning if $V(H)=V(G)$.
Spanning tree- spanning subgraph which is a tree.

## Strange Algorithms

Input: a graph G
Question: does $G$ have a spanning tree?
This can be answered by computing a determinant of a matrix and checking to see if it is zero or not.

For lower bound arguments, it is essential to not make too many assumptions about how an algorithm can solve a problem.

Adjacency matrix:


|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

## Adjacency list:



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\begin{aligned}
& 4 \rightarrow \rightarrow 1 \text { 1 } \rightarrow 3
\end{aligned}
$$

Adjacency lists:
Lists can be stored:
1.sorted,
2.in arbitrary order,
3. in some other specific order- for example a rotation system has the neighbours of each vertex listed in clockwise order in some planar embedding of a graph (a picture drawn on the plane with no edges crossing).

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A graph $G$ is planar if it can be drawn on the plane with no crossing edges.


planar graph $G$

planar embedding of $G$

## Used as a starting point to find nice pictures of non-planar graphs:



A graph showing normal relationships with lots of crossings in it.

Codeguru


The same graph optimized to show only one crossing in it. The relations are maintained as it is.

## Map 4-colouring:



## Linear time algorithms for embedding:



Hopcroft \& Tarjan, '74


Boyer \& Myrvold, '01


Booth and Lueker, '76

> OPEN: Find a really simple $O(n)$ or maybe $O(n \log n)$ algorithm.

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To walk the faces from a rotation system:

Treat each edge as two arcs:

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(u, v) \rightarrow(u, v) \text { and }(v, u) .
$$

Mark all arcs as not visited.

For each unvisited arc (u,v) do: walk the face with ( $u, v$ ).

To walk the face with ( $u, v$ ):

Arcs traversed are marked as visited.

The next arc to choose after an $\operatorname{arc}(u, v)$ is the arc $(v, w)$ such that $w$ is the vertex in the list of neighbours of $v$ that comes after $u$ in cyclic order.

Continue traversing arcs until returning to arc (u,v).

# Walk the faces of this planar embedding of a graph: 

0: 143
1:024
2: 13
3: 042
4: 013

This graph has 4 faces.



Important: Do not stop until seeing the starting ARC again. It's possible to have both ( $u, v$ ) and ( $v, u$ ) on the same face.
$G$ connected on an orientable surface:
genus $g=(2-n+m-f) / 2$
0 plane
1 torus
2


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## Torus Embedding



Embedding:
Linear time: Juvan, Marincek \& Mohar, '94
$O\left(n^{3}\right):$ Juvan \& Mohar, preprint, implementation is buggy

Faces can have repeated vertices and this makes embedding hard:


