

12.1 More on Graph Algorithms

12.1.1 Bipartite Graphs

Recall that a **bipartite graph** is a graph that can be subdivided into two sets, where every vertex in both sets are not adjacent with vertices within the same set.

How can we prove that a graph is bipartite? We refer to a lemma.

Lemma 1

A bipartite graph can't have an odd cycle

We can use a breath-first search to help us: Today we'll learn about the depth-first search, which is another

```
Build a BFS
Put odd layers to  $s_1$ , even layers to  $s_2$ 
if no edge exists in each layer for  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  then
    return true
return false
```

approach to scanning a graph.

12.1.2 Depth-first Search

This search determines the start and end times of when this node is reached in this traversal. The algorithm that implements the search requires a helper method:

```
Algorithm 1 explore( $u$ )
for each neighbour  $v$  of  $u$  do
    if visited[ $v$ ] is false then
        visited[ $v$ ]  $\leftarrow$  true
        explore( $v$ )
```

Given a graph $G = (V, E)$ and a source vertex $s \in V$, the main algorithm is:

```
Algorithm 2 DFS( $s$ )
visited[ $v$ ]  $\leftarrow$  false for all  $v \in V$ 
visited[ $s$ ]  $\leftarrow$  true
explore( $s$ )
```

An implementation of DFS involving a stack is also shown:

```
s ← empty stack
visited[v] ← false for all nodes v ∈ V
visited[s] ← true
push(S, s)
while S is not empty do
  u ← S.pop()
  for each neighbour v of u do
    if !visited[v] then
      visited[v] ← true
      push(S, v)
```

Notice that this is the same algorithm structure as the BFS algorithm, except the data structure used is a stack rather than a queue.

Properties of DFS Trees

We define a **back-edge** as an edge (u, v) if u is the ancestor of v and $(u, v) \notin$ DFS tree. We outline two lemmas:

All non-tree edges on a DFS tree are back edges

For any u, v , the two intervals $[start(v), finish(v)]$, $[start(u), finish(u)]$ are either disjoint or one contains the other

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