

# CS314 - More NP Completeness

Note Title

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## Announcements

- HW due Friday
- Oral grading next week (hopefully)

P, NP & co-NP

nondeterministic polynomial time

Consider decision problems: Yes or No.

P: set of decision problems that can be solved in polynomial time.

Ex: is this list sorted?

Ex: is s connected to t in G?

NP: set of problems st., if the answer is yes, this can be checked in poly. time.

(So can verify a yes answer.)

## NP-Hard

$\Pi$  is NP-hard  $\iff$  If  $\Pi$  can be solved in polynomial time, then  $P=NP$

So if an NP-Hard problem can be solved in polynomial time, then any problem in NP can be solved in polynomial time.

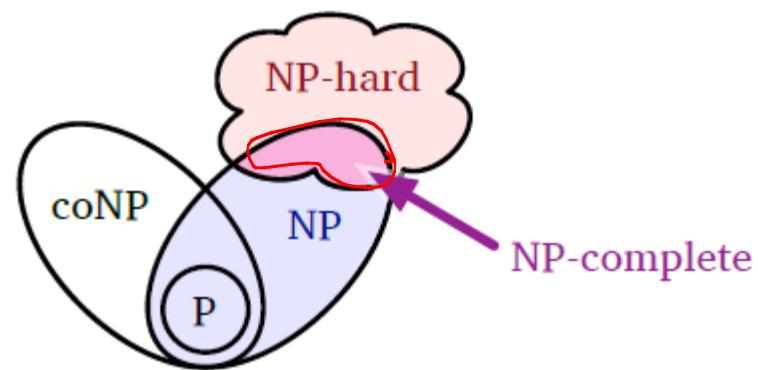
(Paths story...)

P vs NP

## NP-Completeness

A problem is NP-Complete if it is both:

- in NP
- NP-Hard

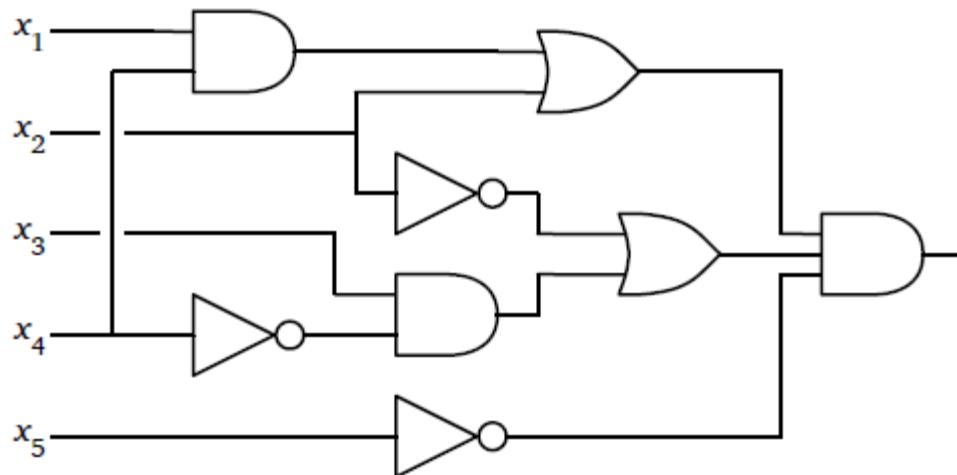


More of what we think the world looks like.

polynomial hierarchy

Thm (Cook-Levin) : (The first known NP-Hard problem)

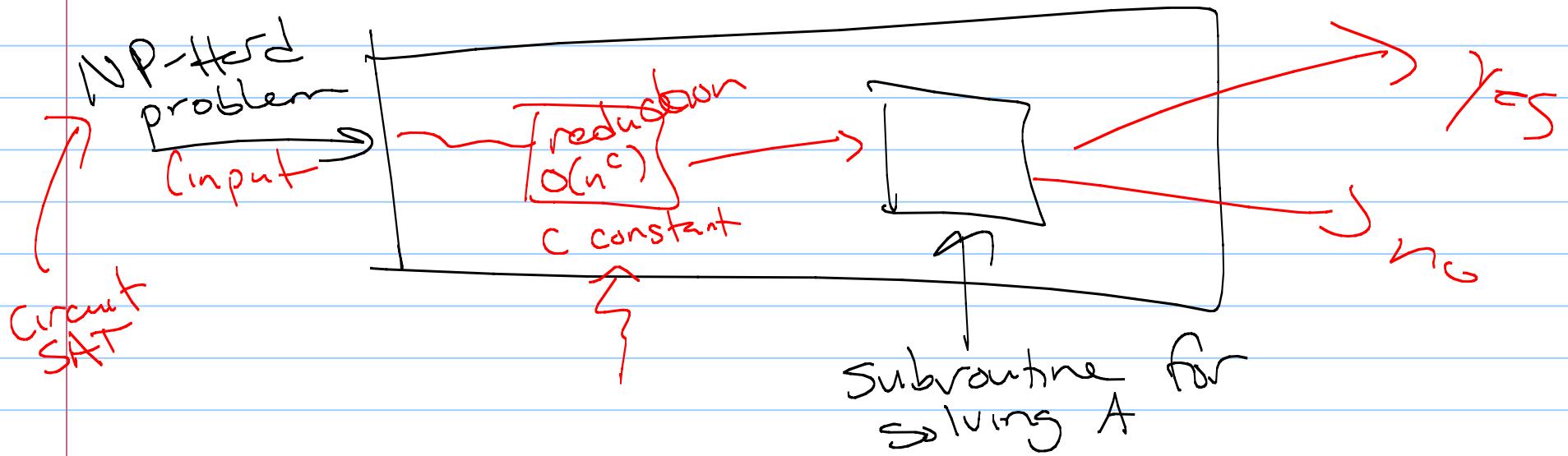
Circuit Satisfiability is NP-Complete.



"PF": any Turing machine can be turned  
into a circuit

To prove NP-Hardness of A :

~~A~~ Reduce a known NP-Hard problem to A,



Let me repeat this:

To prove your problem is hard, solve a different problem using your problem as a subroutine!

known NP-Hard

Dfn: SAT takes a boolean formula + asks if it is possible to assign booleans so the formula is true.

Ex:  $(a \vee b \vee c \vee \bar{d}) \Leftrightarrow ((b \wedge \bar{c}) \vee \overline{(\bar{a} \Rightarrow d)} \vee (c \neq a \wedge b))$

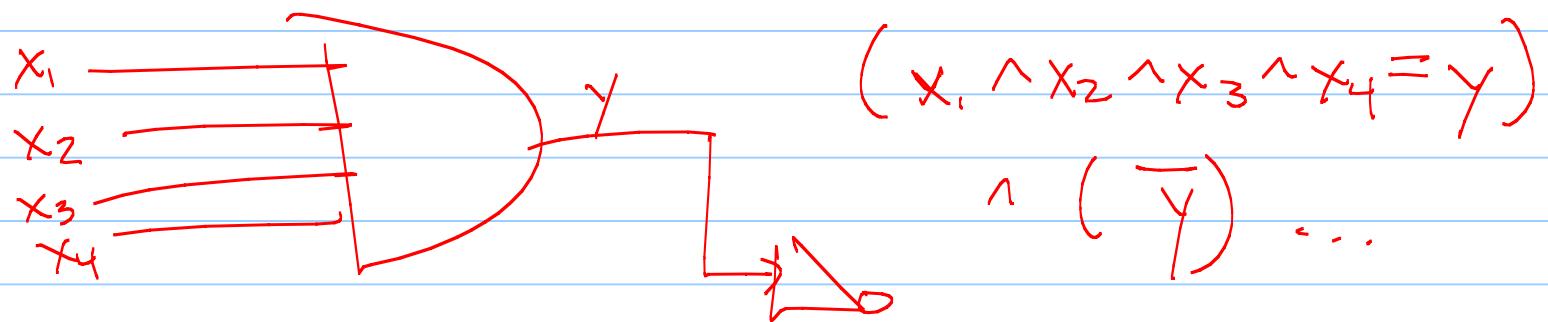
m variables  
n clauses

In NP: given assignment  $a, b, c, d$   
can check if it evaluates to true in  $O(m+n)$  time

Thm SAT is NP-Complete

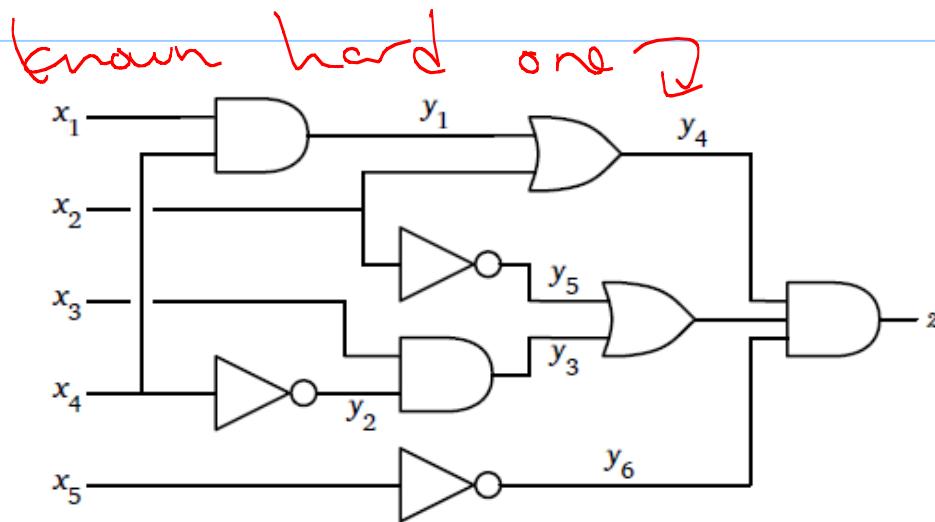
Pf: Reduction:

— Reduce circuit SAT to SAT



Picture:

change

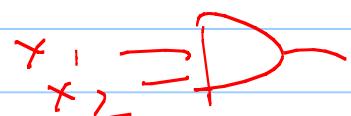


$$(y_1 = x_1 \wedge x_4) \wedge (y_2 = \overline{x_4}) \wedge (y_3 = x_3 \wedge y_2) \wedge (y_4 = y_1 \vee x_2) \wedge$$

$$(y_5 = \overline{x_2}) \wedge (y_6 = \overline{x_5}) \wedge (y_7 = y_3 \vee y_5) \wedge (z = y_4 \wedge y_7 \wedge y_6) \wedge \cancel{z}$$

$z$  must  
be true → intermediate  
variable corresponds to circuit

① Any gate: write equivalent equation



$$y = x_1 \wedge x_2$$



$$y = x_1 \vee x_2$$



$$y = \bar{x}$$

② "And" these together, + "and" on final output

But careful — formula is bigger!  
only  $n$  inputs to circuit.  
(with  $m$  gates)

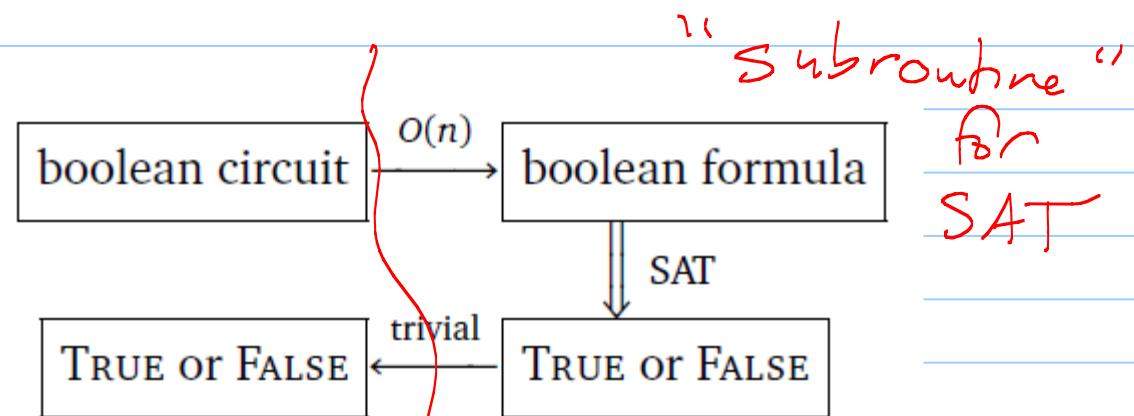
How many variables / clauses in the  
SAT instance?

- each gate makes 1 clause
- each gate introduces 1 new variable
- + 2

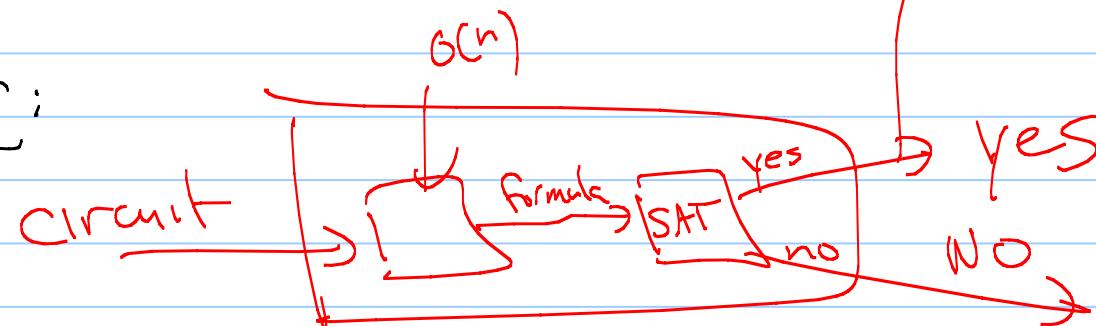
$$n + m \rightsquigarrow O(m + n)$$

So our reduction looks like this:

Circuit SAT



CSr:



3SAT : a restriction of SAT

Dfn: Conjunctive normal form (CNF)

$$\overbrace{(a \vee b \vee c \vee d) \wedge (b \vee \bar{c} \vee \bar{d}) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee c \vee d) \wedge (a \vee \bar{b})}^{\text{clause}}$$

↑  
each clause is  
an "OR")

↑  
"and"s between clauses

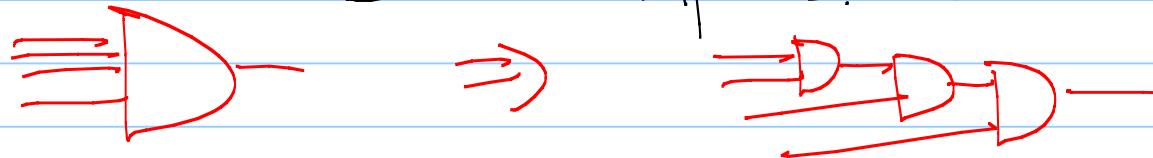
3SAT: SAT where we have CNF +  
exactly 3 literals per clause

Thm: 3SAT is NP-Hard.

pf: Reduce circuit SAT to 3SAT.

Need to show any circuit can be written in CNF form.

Steps: ① Make sure each gate has 2 inputs.



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   $y = x_1 \vee x_2$   
   $y = x_1 \wedge x_2$   
   $y = \bar{x}$

② Write down formula, 1 clause per gate.  
(Same as last one)

③ Need each gate to be in 3CNF form!  
(not  $y = x_1 \vee x_2$ , etc.)

3 types:

$$\begin{aligned} \left. \begin{array}{l} a = b \wedge c \\ a = b \vee c \\ a = \bar{b} \end{array} \right\} &\rightarrow (a \vee \bar{b} \vee \bar{c}) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee b) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee c) \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} a = b \wedge c \\ a = b \vee c \\ a = \bar{b} \end{array} \right\} &\rightarrow (\bar{a} \vee b \vee c) \wedge (a \vee \bar{b}) \wedge (a \vee \bar{c}) \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} a = b \wedge c \\ a = b \vee c \\ a = \bar{b} \end{array} \right\} &\rightarrow (a \vee b) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee \bar{b}) \end{aligned}$$

(exercise)

④

Need exactly 3 per clause.

Solution:

$$a \rightarrow (a \vee x \vee y) \wedge (a \vee \bar{x} \vee y) \wedge (a \vee x \vee \bar{y}) \wedge (a \vee \bar{x} \vee \bar{y})$$

$$a \vee b \rightarrow (a \vee b \vee x) \wedge (a \vee b \vee \bar{x})$$

Note: even bigger! Last gate we saw:

$$\begin{aligned} & (y_1 \vee \overline{x_1} \vee \overline{x_4}) \wedge (\overline{y_1} \vee x_1 \vee z_1) \wedge (\overline{y_1} \vee x_1 \vee \overline{z_1}) \wedge (\overline{y_1} \vee x_4 \vee z_2) \wedge (\overline{y_1} \vee x_4 \vee \overline{z_2}) \\ & \wedge (y_2 \vee x_4 \vee z_3) \wedge (y_2 \vee x_4 \vee \overline{z_3}) \wedge (\overline{y_2} \vee \overline{x_4} \vee z_4) \wedge (\overline{y_2} \vee \overline{x_4} \vee \overline{z_4}) \\ & \wedge (y_3 \vee \overline{x_3} \vee \overline{y_2}) \wedge (\overline{y_3} \vee x_3 \vee z_5) \wedge (\overline{y_3} \vee x_3 \vee \overline{z_5}) \wedge (\overline{y_3} \vee y_2 \vee z_6) \wedge (\overline{y_3} \vee y_2 \vee \overline{z_6}) \\ & \wedge (\overline{y_4} \vee y_1 \vee x_2) \wedge (y_4 \vee \overline{x_2} \vee z_7) \wedge (y_4 \vee \overline{x_2} \vee \overline{z_7}) \wedge (y_4 \vee \overline{y_1} \vee z_8) \wedge (y_4 \vee \overline{y_1} \vee \overline{z_8}) \\ & \wedge (y_5 \vee x_2 \vee z_9) \wedge (y_5 \vee x_2 \vee \overline{z_9}) \wedge (\overline{y_5} \vee \overline{x_2} \vee z_{10}) \wedge (\overline{y_5} \vee \overline{x_2} \vee \overline{z_{10}}) \\ & \wedge (y_6 \vee x_5 \vee z_{11}) \wedge (y_6 \vee x_5 \vee \overline{z_{11}}) \wedge (\overline{y_6} \vee \overline{x_5} \vee z_{12}) \wedge (\overline{y_6} \vee \overline{x_5} \vee \overline{z_{12}}) \\ & \wedge (\overline{y_7} \vee y_3 \vee y_5) \wedge (y_7 \vee \overline{y_3} \vee z_{13}) \wedge (y_7 \vee \overline{y_3} \vee \overline{z_{13}}) \wedge (y_7 \vee \overline{y_5} \vee z_{14}) \wedge (y_7 \vee \overline{y_5} \vee \overline{z_{14}}) \\ & \wedge (y_8 \vee \overline{y_4} \vee \overline{y_7}) \wedge (\overline{y_8} \vee y_4 \vee z_{15}) \wedge (\overline{y_8} \vee y_4 \vee \overline{z_{15}}) \wedge (\overline{y_8} \vee y_7 \vee z_{16}) \wedge (\overline{y_8} \vee y_7 \vee \overline{z_{16}}) \\ & \wedge (y_9 \vee \overline{y_8} \vee \overline{y_6}) \wedge (\overline{y_9} \vee y_8 \vee z_{17}) \wedge (\overline{y_9} \vee y_8 \vee \overline{z_{17}}) \wedge (\overline{y_9} \vee y_6 \vee z_{18}) \wedge (\overline{y_9} \vee y_6 \vee \overline{z_{18}}) \\ & \wedge (y_9 \vee z_{19} \vee z_{20}) \wedge (y_9 \vee \overline{z_{19}} \vee z_{20}) \wedge (y_9 \vee z_{19} \vee \overline{z_{20}}) \wedge (y_9 \vee \overline{z_{19}} \vee \overline{z_{20}}) \end{aligned}$$

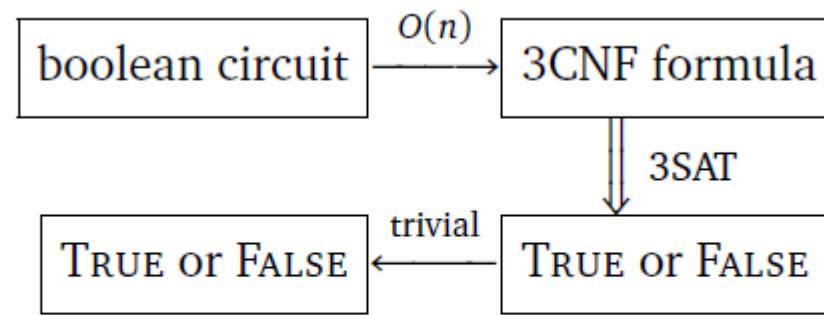
How big?

Each gate was transformed into  
at most 5 clauses.

(+ introduced  $\leq 3$  new variables  
Scattered throughout)

Can transform in polynomial  
time, & has  $O(n)$  size.

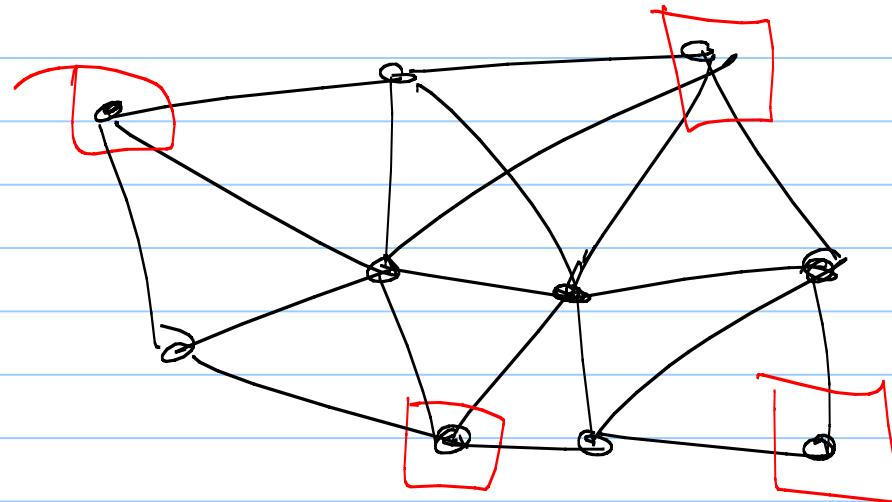
So we have :



$$T_{\text{CSAT}}(n) \leq O(n) + T_{\text{3SAT}}(O(n)) \implies T_{\text{3SAT}}(n) \geq T_{\text{CSAT}}(\Omega(n)) - O(n)$$

Next problem: Independent Sets

A set of vertices in a graph  
with no edges between them.



decision version: Is there an indep set  
of size =  $k$  in  $G$ ?  
 $\hookrightarrow$  in NP

Challenge: Nothing like a boolean!

To show NP-Hard, need to reduce SAT, circuit SAT or 3-SAT to a graph problem.

We'll use 3SAT  
(but you should marvel a bit..)

( )  $\wedge$  ( )

$$(a \vee \underline{b} \vee \bar{c}) \wedge (\underline{b} \vee c \vee d)$$

Construct a graph:

① A vertex for each literal in each clause.

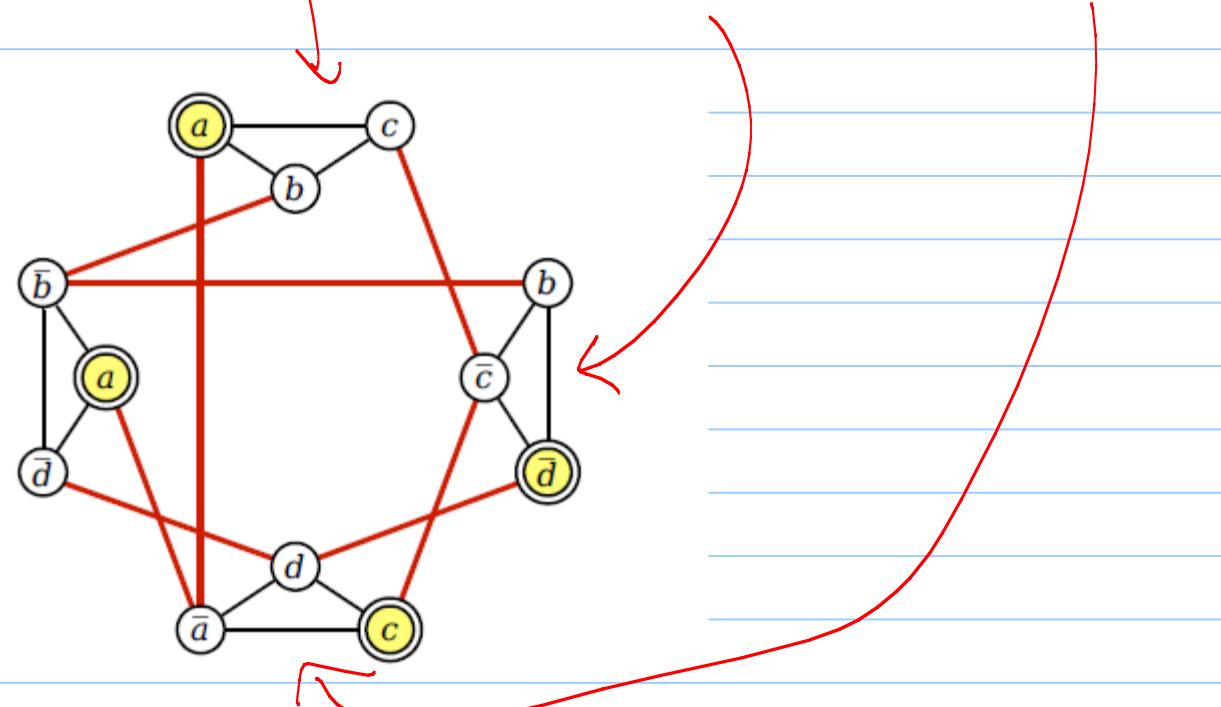
$n$  clauses w/  $m$  inputs  
↳  $3n$  vertices

② Connect two vertices if:

- they are in the same clause

- they are a variable & its inverse

Ex:  $(a \vee b \vee c) \wedge (\bar{b} \vee \bar{c} \vee \bar{d}) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee c \vee d) \wedge (a \vee \bar{b} \vee \bar{d})$

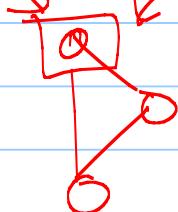


Claim: formula is satisfiable

$\Leftrightarrow$  G has indep. set of size k

pf: Suppose 3CNF was satisfiable.

in indep set  $(\neg \vee \neg \vee \neg) \wedge (\dots) \wedge (\dots)$



Each clause evaluates to true  
under this satisfying assignment,  
 $\Rightarrow$  at least one literal in each  
was true  
Pick corresponding vertex to be in I.S.

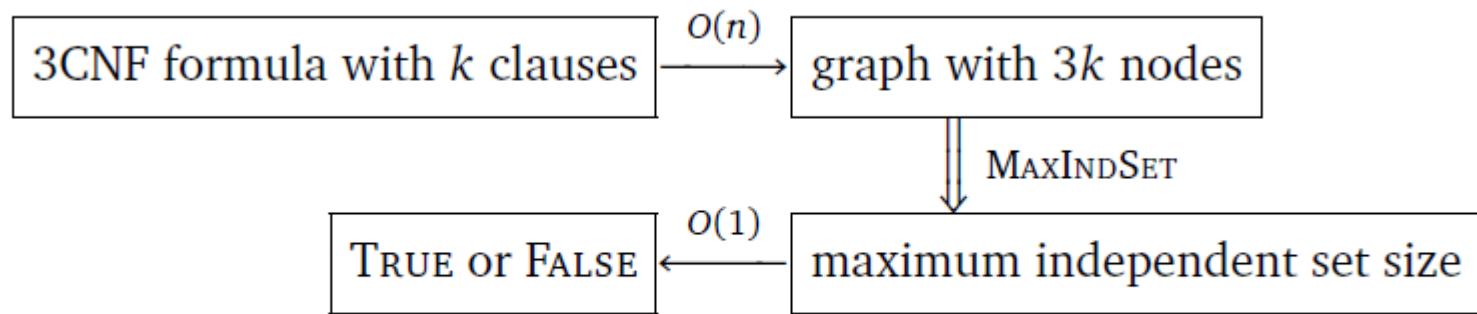
1 per clause  
 $\Rightarrow$  one per  $\Delta$ .

Can't have vertex corresponding  
to variable & its inverse  
since if  $x$  is true in 3SAT,  
then  $\bar{x}$  would have been false.

$\Leftarrow$ : Spp's ind. set of size  $n$ .  
must take at most 1 vertex

per  $\Delta$ .  
Since  $n \Delta$ 's, must take exactly  
1 per  $\Delta$ .  
Set that variable = true in 3SAT.

So :



$$T_{\text{3SAT}}(n) \leq O(n) + T_{\text{MAXINDSET}}(O(n)) \implies T_{\text{MAXINDSET}}(n) \geq T_{\text{3SAT}}(\Omega(n)) - O(n)$$