

# Algorithms

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More reductions

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# Recap

- Slight change on HW:  
You may do either #3 or #4.  
(The other is extra credit.)
- HW is due next Monday.
- Final HW - due after break.

P, NP, + Co-NP      $P \subseteq NP$

Consider only decision problems:  
so Yes/No output

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

Ex: - Is  $x$  in the list?  $O(n)$  or  $O(\log n)$

- Is there a cut in  $G$  of size 100?

Non-deterministic poly time

$\rightarrow F-F: O(V^E)$

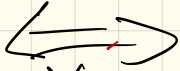
NP: Set of problems such that, if the answer is yes or you hand me proof, I can verify/check in polynomial time.

Ex: Circuit SAT: hand me inputs I can check in  $O(n^m)$  time

Co-NP: If answer is no, I can check that in poly time.

Def: NP-Hard

X is NP-Hard



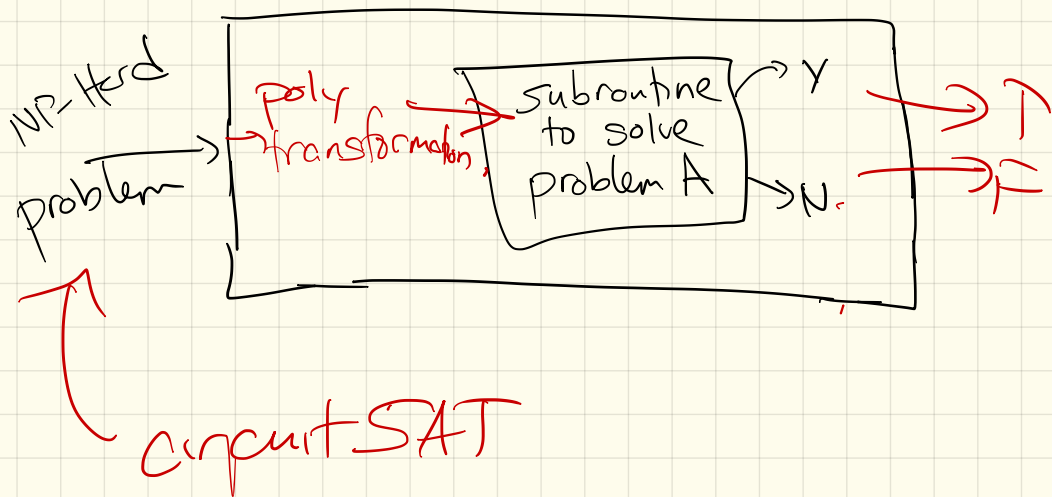
IF X could be solved in polynomial time, then

$P=NP$ .

So if any NP-Hard problem could be solved in polynomial time, then all of NP could be.

To prove NP-Hardness of A:

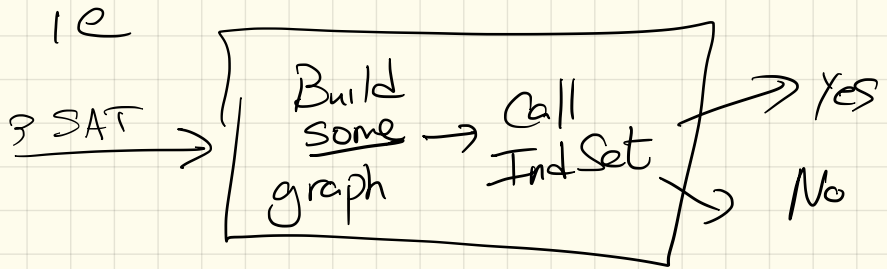
Reduce a known NP-Hard problem to A.



If transformation + subroutine for A is poly time, then could solve circuit SAT in that time.

# The Pattern:

- 1) Find an NP-~~Hard~~ problem, & solve it using unknown problem as a subroutine




Proof:

Need if & only if!

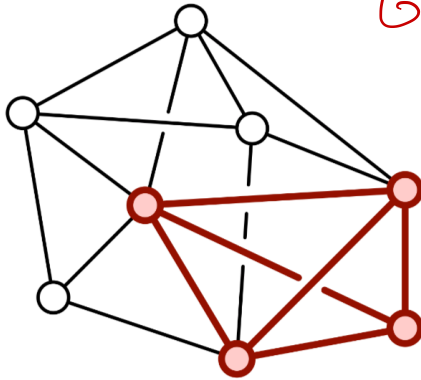
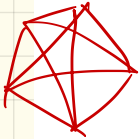
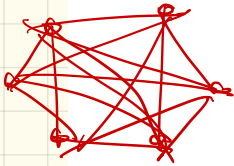
(ie might be some weird indep. set that doesn't make a SAT)

So far:

- ① Circuit SAT - Cook's thm  
(1971)
- ② SAT  
(Cook 1971)
- ③ 3SAT  
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- ④ Ind. Set in a graph:  
Karp 1972-3  
How? Took 3SAT,  
& changed it to a graph

## Next one: Clique #

A clique in a graph is a subgraph which is complete - all possible edges are present.



Given  $G$  &  $k$ !

A graph with maximum clique size 4.

Try  $\binom{n}{k}$  possible cliques

How could we check if  $G$  has a clique of size  $k$ ?



Decision version: Does  $G$  have a clique of size  $k$ ?

Input:  $G, k$

Output: Yes/no

This is NP-Complete:

① In NP. why?

If you give me  $k$  vertices:  $U$

Each have vertex list.

For  $i=1$  to  $k$

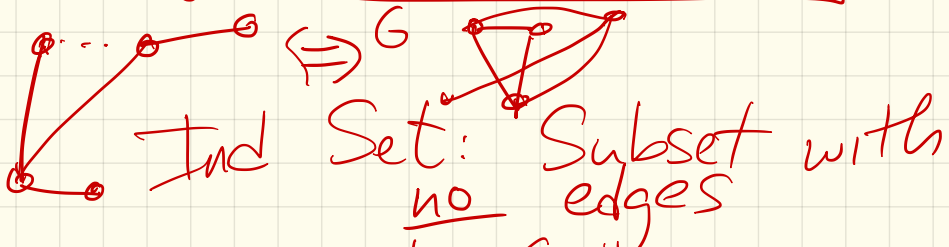
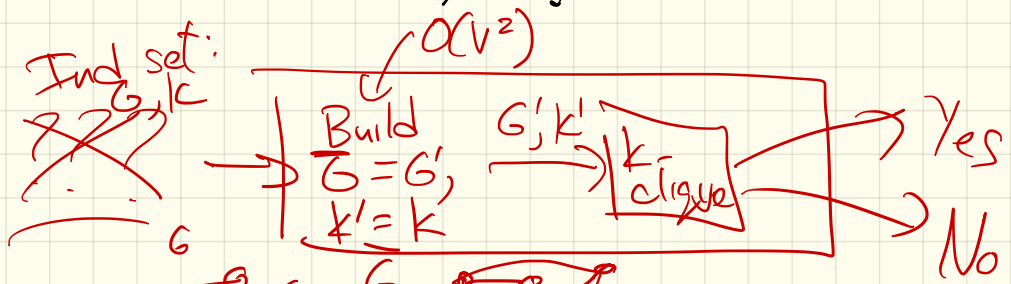
For  $i=1$  to size of list  $k$

check that  $(k-1)$  other vertices are in list

$O(kV^2)$

## ② NP-Hard:

What should we reduce to  $k$ -Clique?



Input:  $G, k$

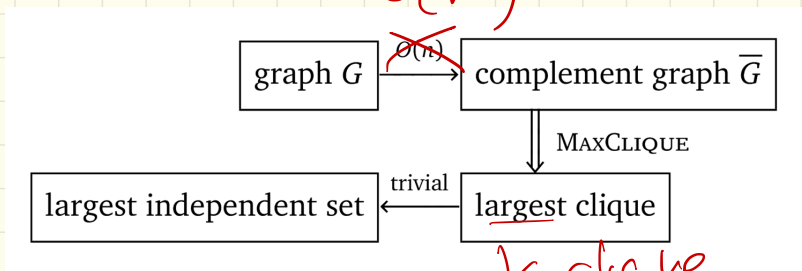
Take the complement of a graph;  $\bar{G}$ :

If  $uv \in E(G)$ , not in  $E(\bar{G})$

If  $uv \notin E(G)$ ,  $uv \in E(\bar{G})$

Obs: ~~If~~  $G$  has indep set of some  $k$  vertices, ~~then~~  $\Leftrightarrow$   $G'$  has a clique on some set.

So:



Next: Vertex Cover:

A set of vertices which touches every edge in  $G$ .

$k$ -Vertex cover (decision version):

Given  $G$  &  $k$ , does  $G$  contain a set of  $k$  vertices covering every edge?

In NP:

If you give me  $k$  vertices:

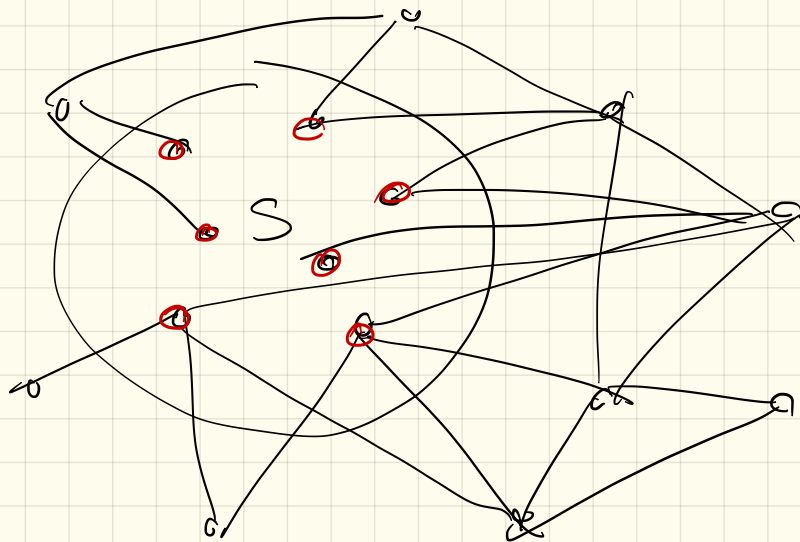
For each edge in  $G$

check if one endpoint  
is in  $k$  set

$$O(kE)$$

NP-Hardness : reduce what?  
(probably clique or ind set!)

Key: If  $S$  is independent set, what is  $V-S$ ?



All edges can't have 2  
endpoints in  $S$   
 $\Leftrightarrow$  Every edge has  $\geq 1$  endpoint  
in  $V-S$

So simple reduction!

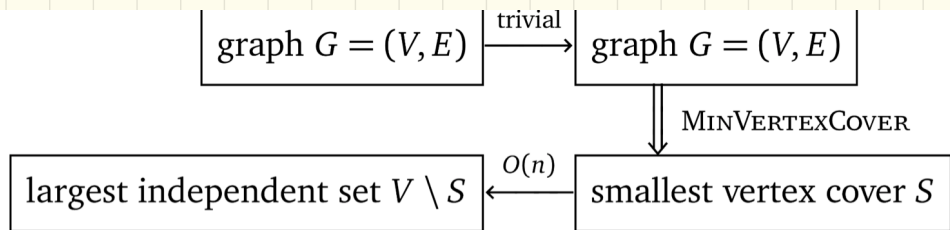
Given  $G$  +  $k$  to indep. set,  
ask if  $\exists$  vertex cover  
of size  $n-k$ .

Set  $G' = G$

$k' = n-k$

independent set of  $k, S$

$\Leftrightarrow$  VC of size  $n-k,$   
 $V-S$



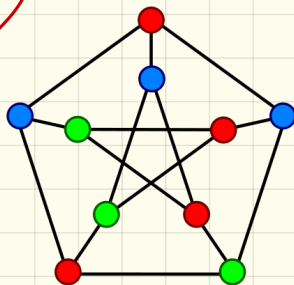
# Next: Graph Coloring

A k-coloring of a graph  $G$  is a map:  $c: V \rightarrow \{1, \dots, k\}$  that assigns one of "colors" to each vertex so that every edge has 2 different colors at its endpoints.

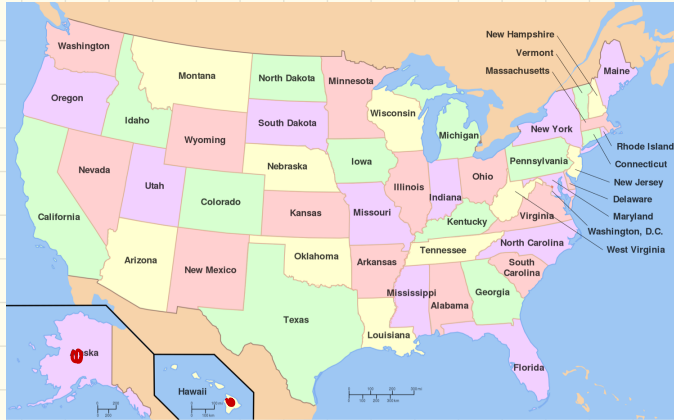
Goal: Use few colors

V-coloring  
is  
easy

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Aside: this is famous!  
Ever heard of map coloring?



Famous theorem:

Any planar graph  
only needs 4 colors.



Thm: 3-colorability is  
NP-Complete.

(Decision version: Given  $G$ ,  
output yes/no)

In NP:

If you give me  
coloring:  $C: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3\}$

Loop through edges  $uv$   
check  $C(u) \neq C(v)$

$O(E)$

NP-Hard:

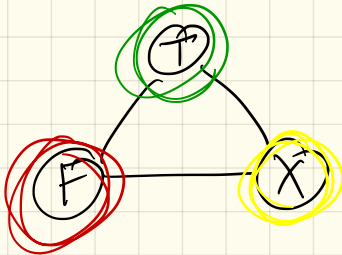
Reduction from 3SAT.

Given formula for 3SAT  $\Phi$ ,  
we'll make a graph  $G_\Phi$ .

$\Phi$  will be satisfiable  
 $\iff G_\Phi$  can be  
3-colored.

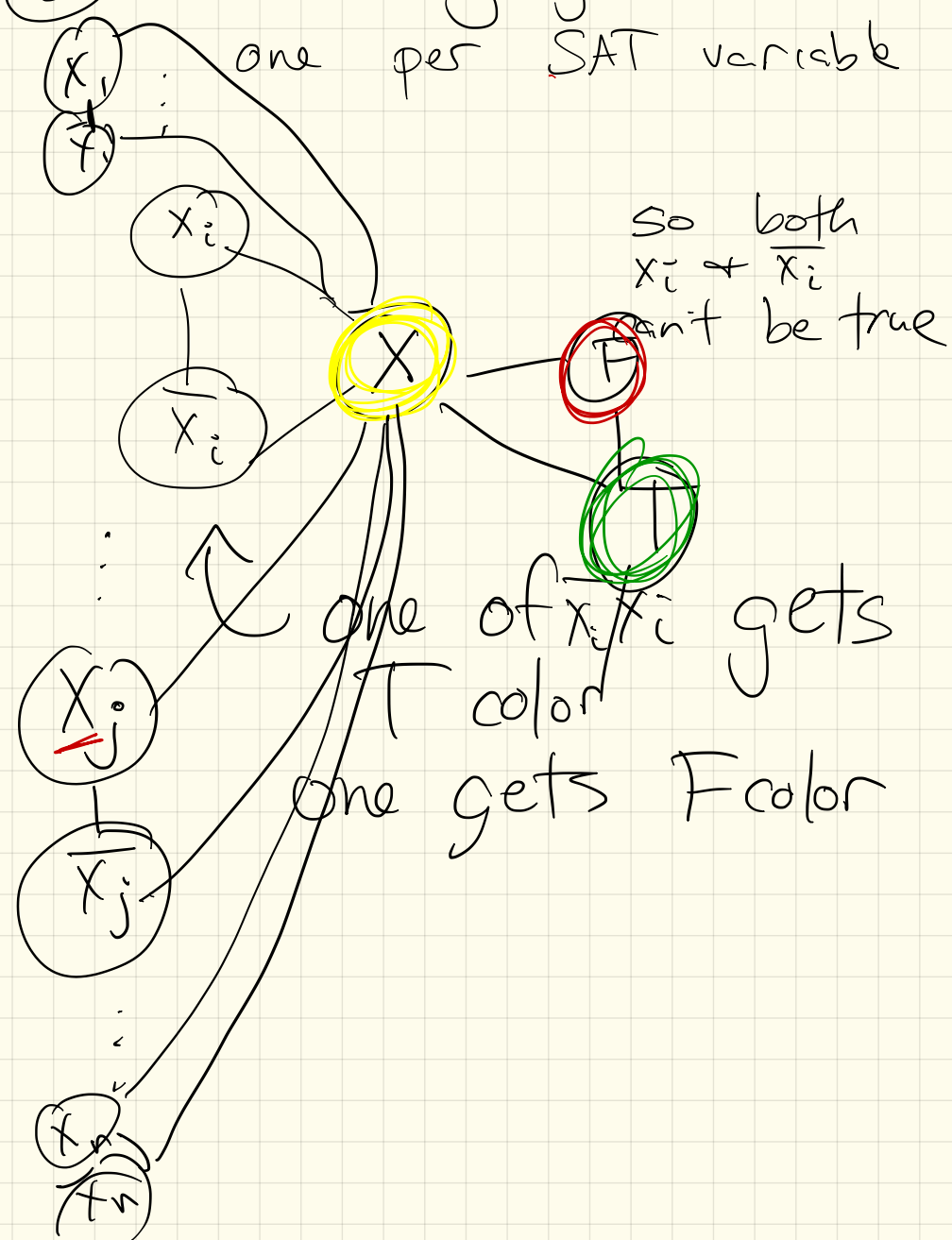
Key notion: Build gadgets!

① Truth gadget - one



Must use  
 $\frac{3}{3}$  colors -  
establishes a  
"true" color.

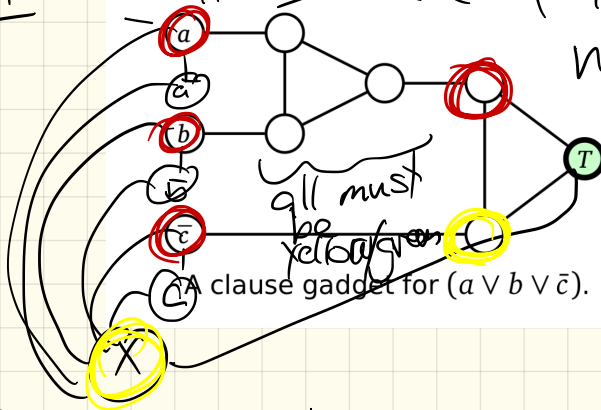
2 Variable gadget -  
one per SAT variable



### ③ Clause gadget :

For each clause, join  
3 of the variable vertices  
to the "true" vertex from  
the truth-gadget.

Goal: if all 3 are false,  
no valid 3-coloring

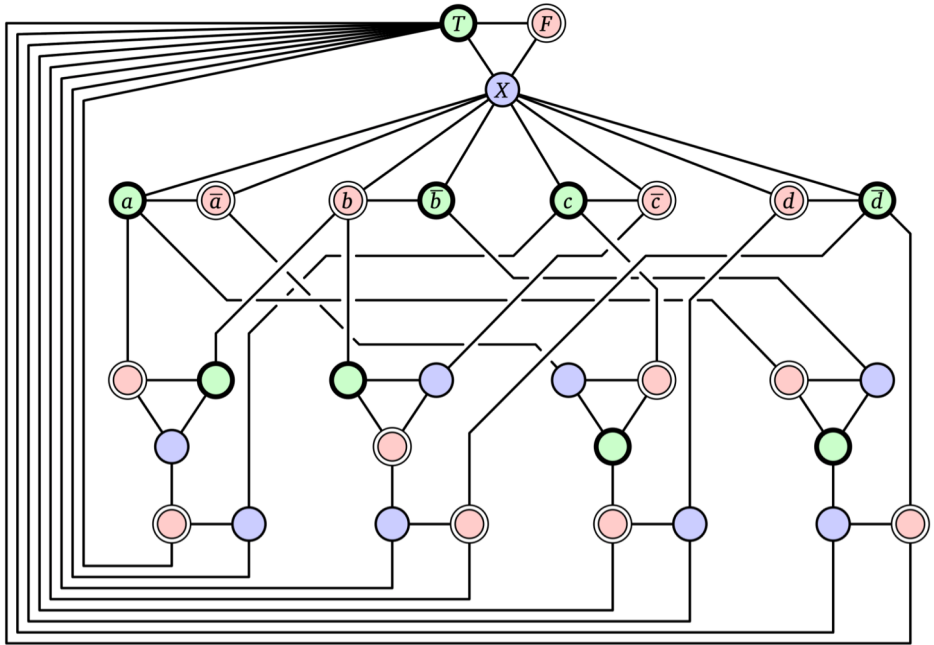


Idea: If all inputs are colored  
False, can't 3-color:

3 coloring of  $G_{\Phi}$   $\iff \Phi$  is satisfiable

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Final reduction image :

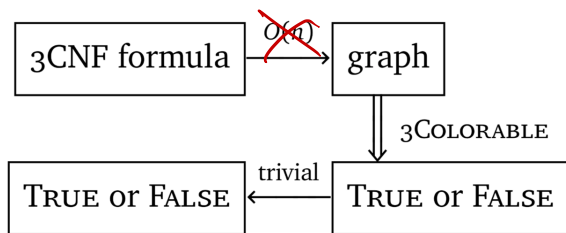


A 3-colorable graph derived from the satisfiable 3CNF formula  
 $(a \vee b \vee c) \wedge (b \vee \bar{c} \vee \bar{d}) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee c \vee d) \wedge (a \vee \bar{b} \vee \bar{d})$

Time to build  $G_\Phi$ :

$n$  variables  
 $m$  clause gadgets  
 $\hookrightarrow O(1)$  vertices

So:



Next time:

- More reductions
- Plus some non-graph problems!