

# C5314 - More graph NP-Hardness

Note Title

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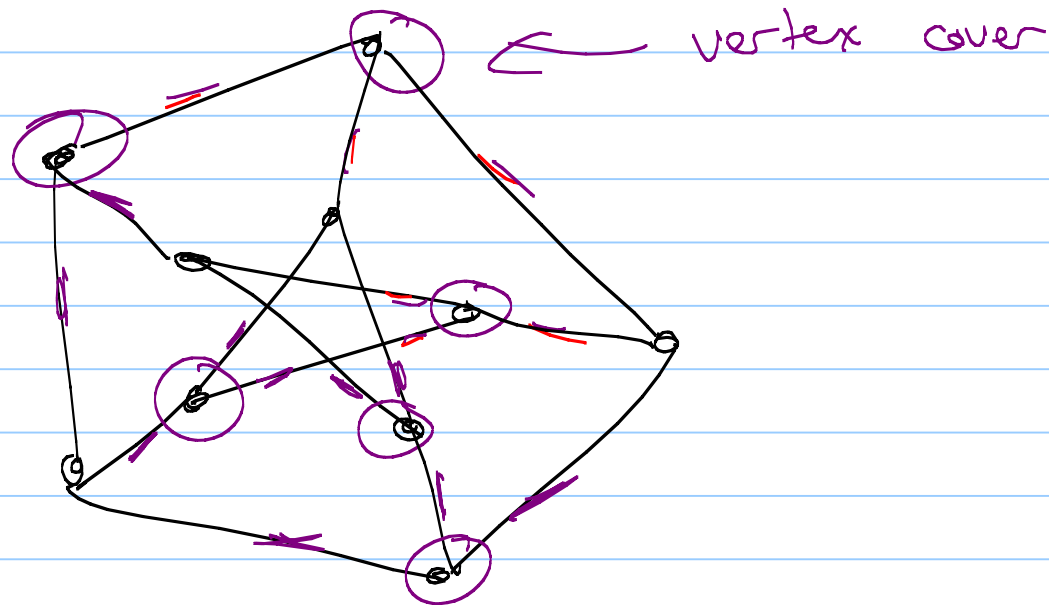
## Announcements

- HW out, due (oral grading) next Tuesday
- Next HW will be out Mon./Tues. next week, & will be written NP-Completeness problems.

# Vertex Cover

Dfn: A vertex cover is a subset of vertices  $S \subseteq V$  such that every edge is adjacent to a vertex in  $S$ .

Ex:



Q: Given a graph  $G$  and value  $k$ , is there a vertex cover of size  $\leq k$ ?

↑  
note:  $\leq$  !

Vertex Cover is NP-Complete:

① VC is in NP:

Given  $k$  vertices, label edges  $1 \dots m$ .  
Mark edges in  $G$  that are adjacent to one of the  $k$  vertices.  
If all edges are marked, the  $k$  vertices are a vertex cover.  
 $O(m+k)$

NP-Hard: 3-SAT  
SAT

Ind Set  
Clique

② V.C. is NP-Hard : I.S.  $\leq_p$  V.C.

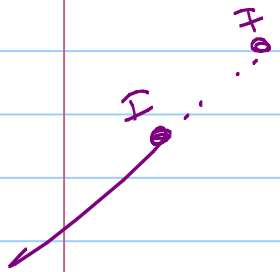
Key Fact: If  $I$  is an ind. set, then  $V-I$  is a vertex cover.

pf: Suppose  $I$  is an ind. set in a graph  $G$ .  
So no edges b/t any 2 vertices in  $I$ .

$\Rightarrow$  every edge has an endpoint not in  $I$ .

So  $V-I$  is a vertex cover.

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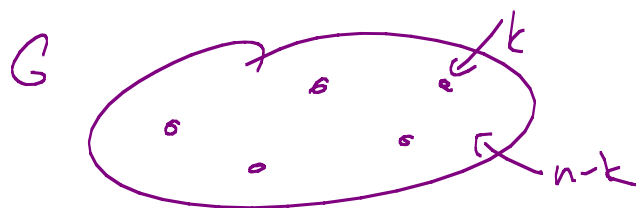
Ind. Set  $\leq$  p Vert. Cover :

Input:  $G, k$  Want to say yes if  $G$   
has ind. set of size  $\geq k$ .

Transform to another  $G'$  & ask is  
 $G$  has vert. cover of size  $\leq k'$ .

$G$  to have IS of size  $\geq k$

$\Leftrightarrow G'$  has V.C. of size  $\leq k'$



So we don't need to transform  $G$  at all!

Given  $G$  &  $k$  as input to ind. set problem, just ask black box for vertex cover if there is a vertex cover of size  $n-k$ .

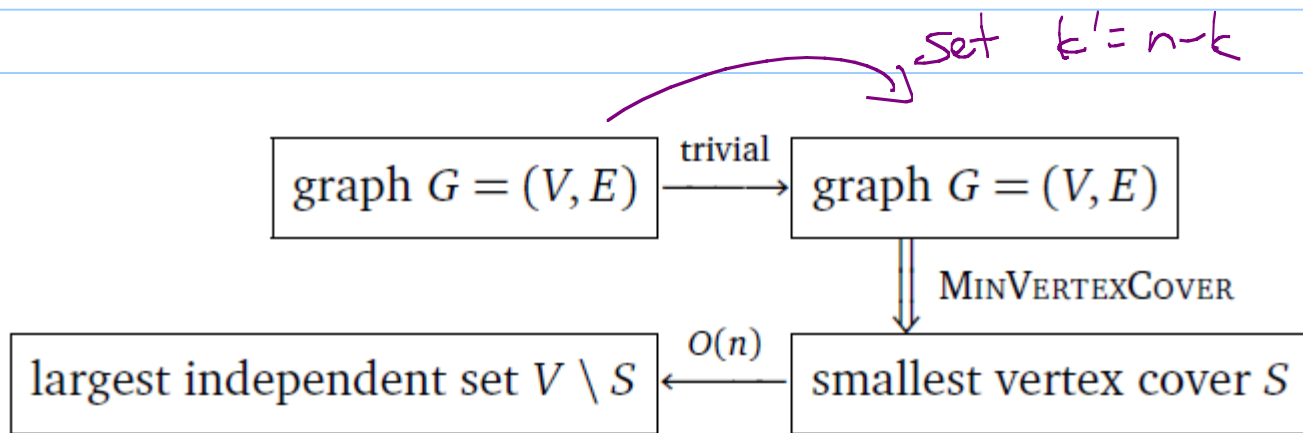
If ind set of size  $\geq k$ , then v.c. of size  $\leq n-k$ .

If v.c. of size  $\leq n-k$ , then ind set of size  $\geq k$ .

So here, set  $G' = G$   
 $k' = n-k$

Recap:

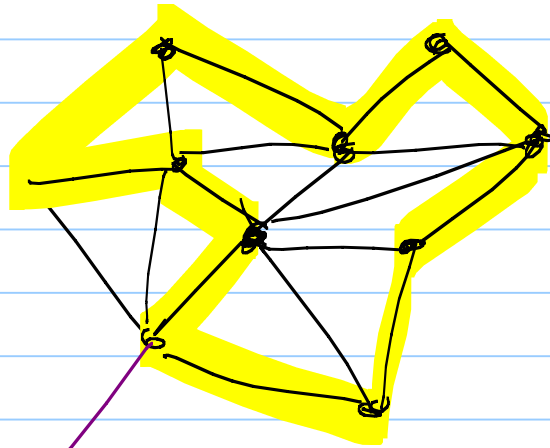
Vertex Cover in NP-Complete.



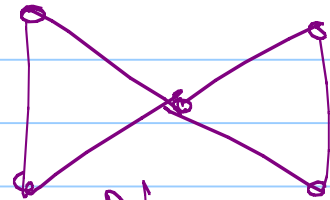
# Hamiltonian Cycle

A Hamiltonian cycle is a cycle in a graph which visits every vertex once.

Ex:



↑ Has no Ham. cycle.



No  
Ham.  
cycle



Hamiltonian cycle is NP-Complete

Clique  
I.S.  
V.C.  
SAT  
3SAT  
C-SAT

① Ham. cycle is in NP

Given a cycle, <sup>check</sup> visits every vertex once  
 $O(n)$

② Reduce 3SAT to Ham. cycle.

(In lec notes, he reduces Vertex cover to Ham. cycle.)

from  
Ch. 8

Setup:

We'll show  $3SAT \leq_p \text{Ham. cycle}$ .

So we have a "black box" which, given a graph  $G$ , will output yes if  $G$  contains a Hamiltonian cycle.

Our input is a 3SAT problem.

$$\rightarrow (x_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee x_{12}) \wedge (x_2 \vee x_5 \vee \bar{x}_{26}) \wedge \dots$$

We need to (in polynomial time) translate that formula into a graph.

G will have  $2^n$  different Ham. cycles possible  
(1 for each truth assignment)

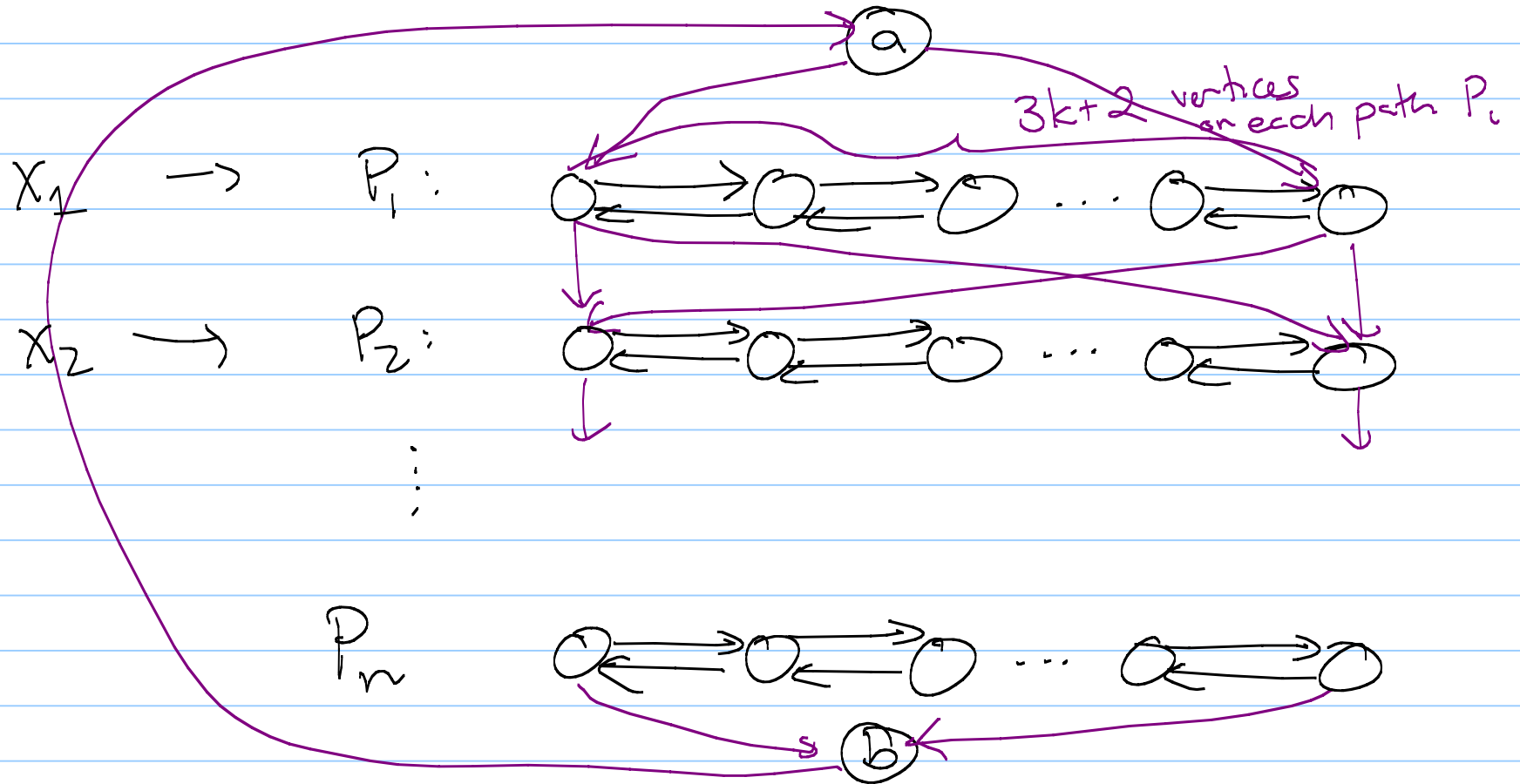
[ Variables  $x_1 \dots x_n$   
Clauses  $c_1 \dots c_k$   $(c_1) \wedge (c_2) \wedge (c_3) \wedge \dots \wedge (c_k)$

Each variable will become a path.  
→ variable gadgets

Each clause will be a vertex.

# Variable gadgets

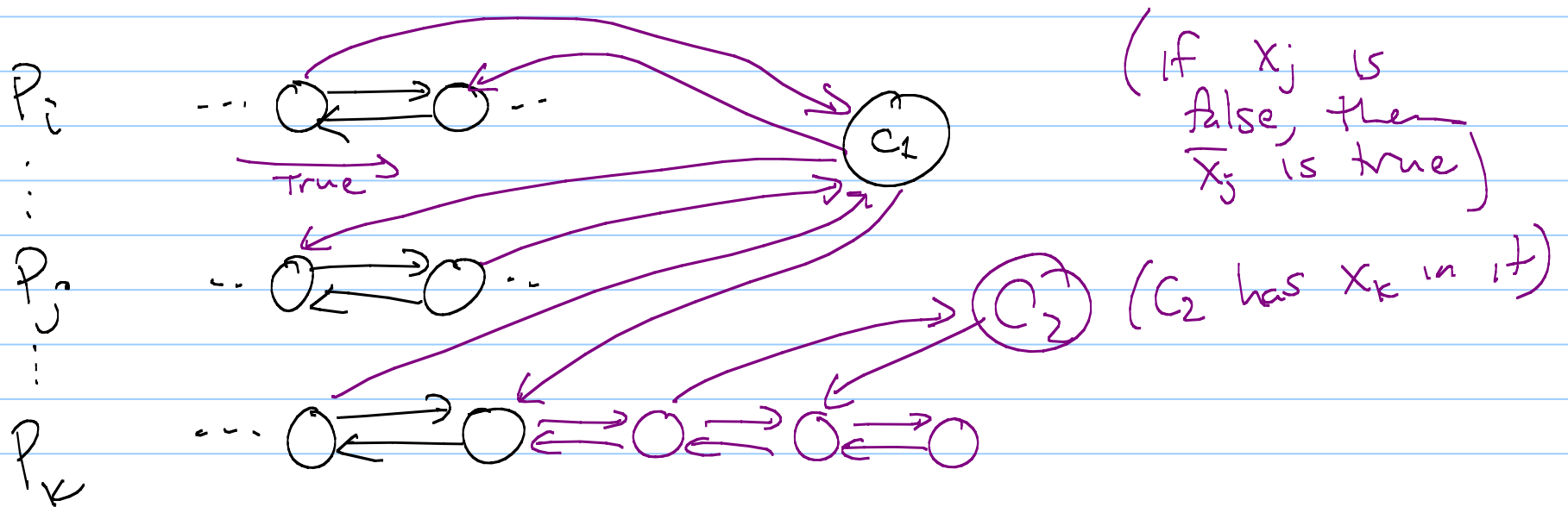
if I go left to right on  $P_i$ , then  $x_i$  will be "true"



# Clause ~~gadgets~~ vertex

Each clause gets 1 vertex & we hook it to the 3 relevant paths:

Clause 1:  $x_i \wedge \overline{x_j} \wedge x_k$



Claim: 3SAT instance is satisfiable  
 $\iff \exists$  ham. cycle in  $G$

pf:  $\implies$ : Supps there is assignment of  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  that evaluates to true.

In  $G$ , start at  $a$  & traverse each  $P_i$  left to right if  $x_i$  is true, & right to left if  $x_i$  is false.

Since formula evaluates to true, at least one variable in each clause is true.

In ham cycle, I'll visit vertex  $C_i$  in the  $U$  path which corresponds to the true variable.

≡: Spans Ham cycle  $C$  in  $G$ .

Must use  $b \rightarrow a$  edge.

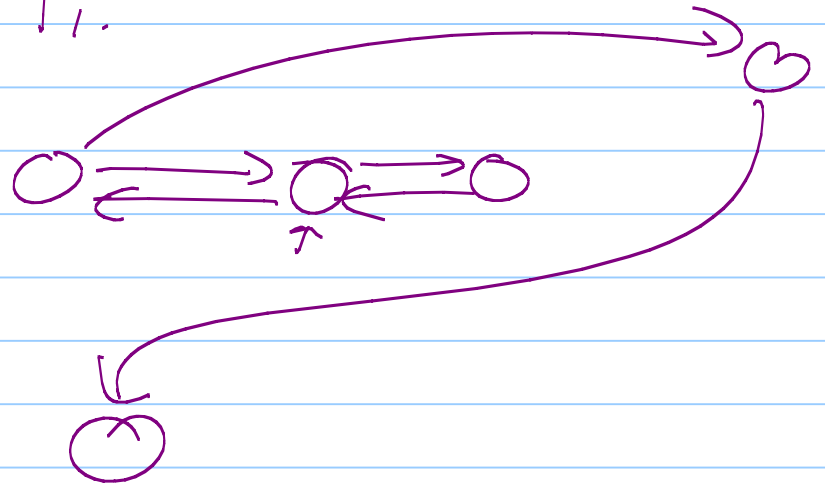
Then must go to  $P_1$ .

Then  $P_2$

Then  $P_3$

⋮

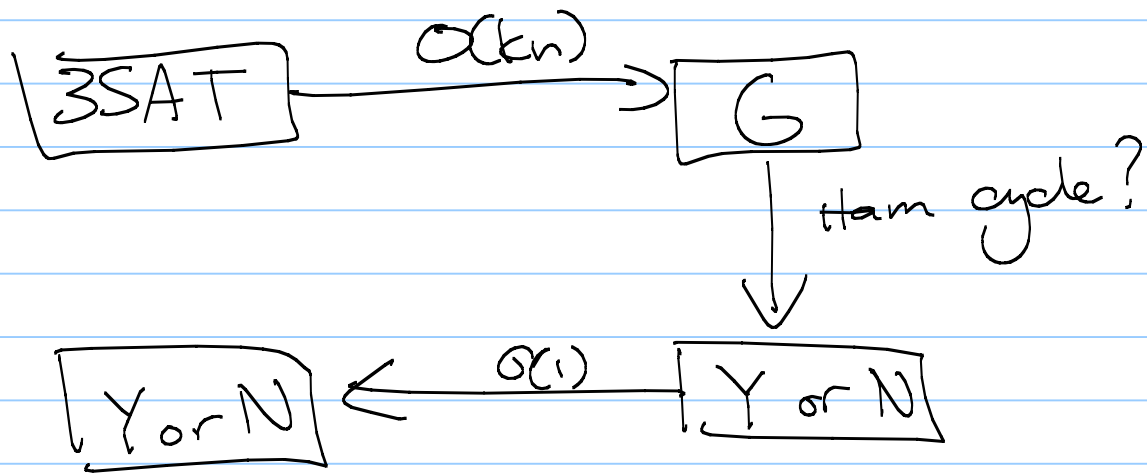
(Full details in Ch. 8)



How long did transformation take?

$$O(nk)$$





## Travelling Salesman Problem

Suppose we have  $n$  cities connected by a road network. (complete, directed graph)

Want a tour which visits every city and is as short as possible.

Q: Given a graph  $G$  and value  $k$ , is there a tour with cost  $\leq k$ ?

TSP is NP-Complete