

7.27 Show 3 colour is NP complete

Prove NP:

Certifier: for each node a colour from 1-3

Check for each edge  $e(u, v)$  if  $u_{color} \neq v_{color}$

This is polynomial time

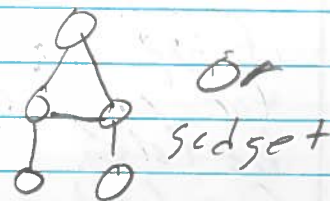
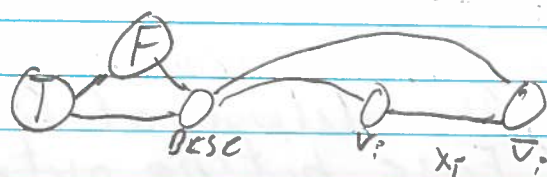
To prove completeness

$$3SAT \leq_p 3\text{-colour}$$

CNF  $\phi$  has  $n$  variables  $x_i$  and  $m$  clauses  $C_m$

We can create a graph s.t.  $G_\phi$  is 3-colourable  $\Leftrightarrow \phi$  is satisfiable

Parts:



Given  $C = (a \vee b \vee c)$

if one of  $a, b, c$  is colored true then OR gadget can be 3 colored s.t. output node of OR-gadget is true.

if  $a, b, c$  are colored false in a 3-color then output of OR gadget is True

Example

$$\phi = (a \vee \bar{b} \vee c)$$

