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Idea

- Well-known algorithm rule: Polynomial good, exponential bad!
 - The latter is obvious, the former may need some explanation
 - We say that polynomial-time problems are **tractable**
 - I.e., exponential problems are **intractable**

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- o Informally (with slight abuse of notation), we can say that polynomially bounded optimization problems are in P

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 - No. The size to represent k is log k

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- NP: Nondeterministic Polynomial time
- First stage: assumes a "guess" of a possible solution
- Can we verify in polynomial time whether the proposed solution is a correct solution?
 - I.e., do we have a verifier that verifies an answer in a polynomial time?

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- NP Class: class of decision problems for which there is a polynomially bounded nondeterministic algorithm
 - Examples: Graph coloring, Bin packing, Clique



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- Try to solve it as an extra assignment
 - Will give you extra mark for course if you do it!

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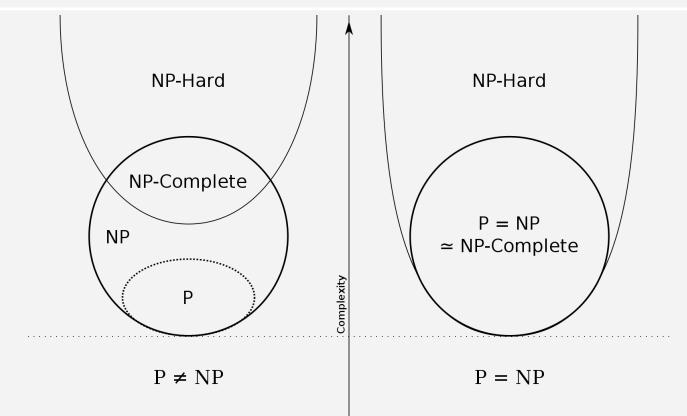
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Relation between P, NP, NP-H, NP-C



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3-SAT

- 3-Satisfiability problem:
- A CNF (conjunctive normal form) formula is in 3-CNF if every clause has exactly three literals
- **Instance**: A 3CNF propositional formula *f* (containing **n** different variables)
- **Question**: Is there a truth assignment that satisfies *f*?

 $(\neg a \lor b \lor c) \land (\neg b \lor a \lor c) \land (\neg c \lor a \lor b) \land (\neg d \lor a \lor b) \land (\neg e \lor a \lor b) \land (\neg a \lor b \lor d) \land (\neg b \lor a \lor d)$



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