

## P, NP, NP-complete and NP-Hard Problems.

P:

P  $\rightarrow$  Polynomial Time.

- > P refers to the class of decision problem that can be solved by a deterministic Turing machine in polynomial time. In simple terms, a problem is solvable easily in the polynomial time based on the algorithm's efficiency and input taken it is called as P-type problem.
- > Time complexity is less. ( $O(n^k)$ ).

Example :

- 1) Searching ( $O(\log n)$ )
- 2) Sorting ( $O(\log n)$ )
- 3) Matrix Multiplication

NP:

NP  $\rightarrow$  Non-deterministic Polynomial Time.

Note: NP does not stand for 'non-polynomial'

- > NP refers to the set of decision problems for which a given solution can be verified in polynomial time. While a solution to an NP problem might be difficult to find, if someone provides a solution, it can be checked relatively.
- > In other words, It is a type of computational problem that if a solution is given it can be

Verified in polynomial Time. However, there may not necessarily be an efficient algorithm to find the solution itself in polynomial Time.

> The Time complexity for problems in NP is exponential. ( $2^{O(n^k)}$ ).

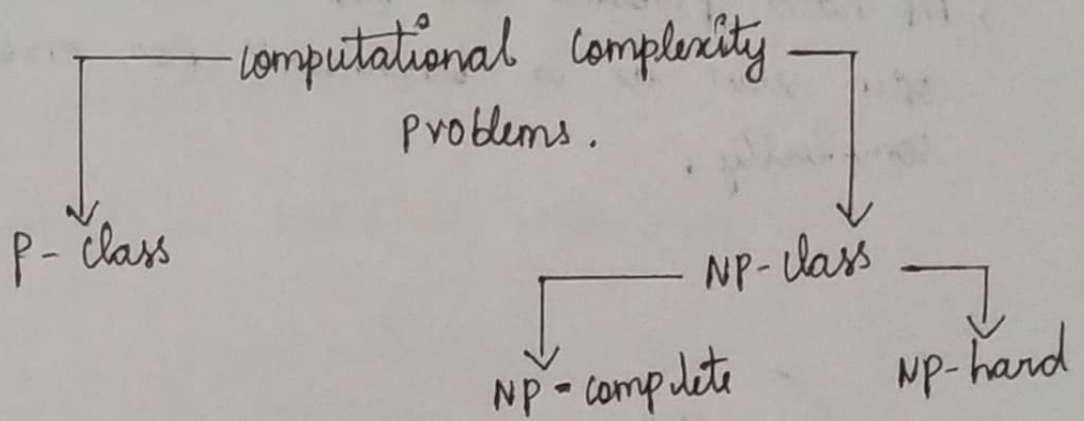
Example:

- 1) Travelling sales person ( $O(n^2 2^n)$ ).
- 2) Knapsack problem ( $O(2^{n/2})$ ).
- 3) Graph coloring ( $2^n$ )

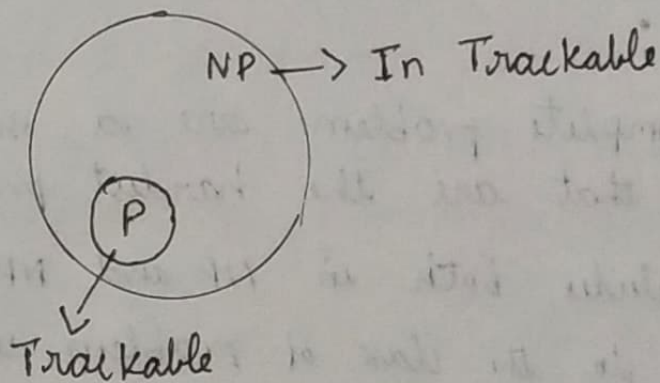
Difference between P & NP problem.

P class problems	NP class problems
Problems in P can be solved by algorithms in polynomial Time.	Problems in NP can be verified in polynomial Time, but might not have known polynomial-time Algorithm for their solutions.
All the P class problems are basically deterministic.	All the NP class problems are basically non-deterministic.
Every problem which is in P class is also in NP class.	Every problem which is in NP is not the P class problem.
P class problems can be solved efficiently.	NP class problems can not be solved efficiently.
Eg: Binary search, bubble sort	Eg: Knapsack problem, TSP.





Relation Between P & NP:



**Trackable :** Problems can be solved in polynomial Time.

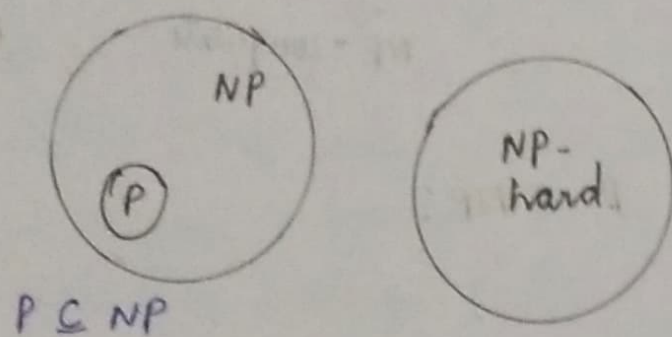
**InTrackable :** Cannot be solved in polynomial Time.

**NP-Hard :**

> A problem is NP-hard if it's at least as hard as the hardest problem in NP.

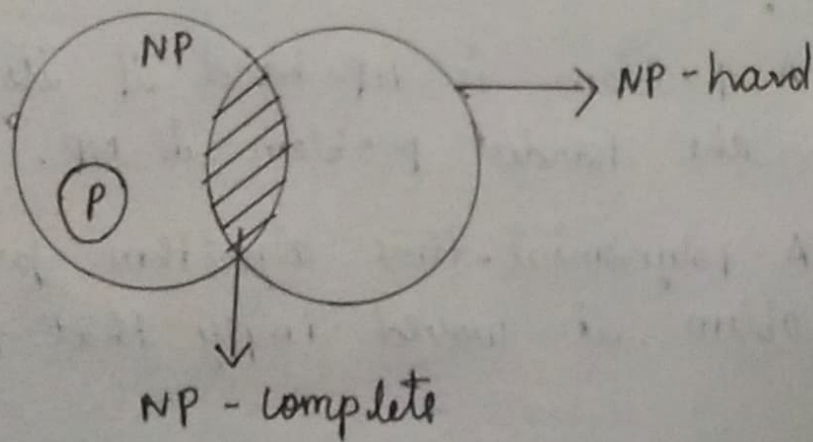
> A polynomial-time algorithm for any NP-hard problem, it would imply that  $P = NP$ .

- > NP hard problems are difficult to solve and often serve as a benchmark for problem complexity.



### NP-complete:

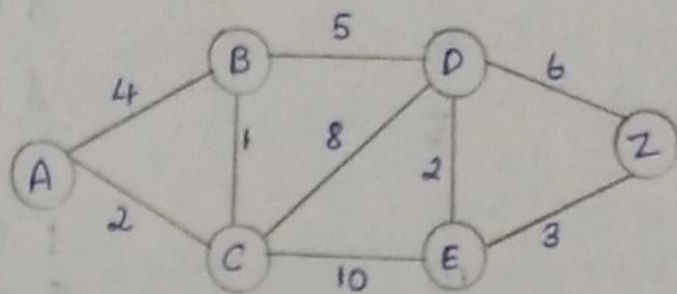
- > NP-complete problem are a subset of NP problems that are the hardest problem in NP.
- > It includes both in NP and NP-hard, they belongs to the class of problem where solutions can be quickly verified.
- > Solving any NP-complete problem in polynomial Time would imply that every problem in NP could also be solved in polynomial time (i.e.,  $P=NP$ ).



Example:

P class problem:

Let us Take Dijkstra's Algorithm:



$$a \rightarrow c = 2$$

$$a \rightarrow c \rightarrow b \rightarrow 2 + 1 = 3, b = 3$$

$$a \rightarrow c \rightarrow b \rightarrow d \rightarrow 3 + 5 = 8, d = 8$$

$$a \rightarrow c \rightarrow b \rightarrow d \rightarrow e \rightarrow 8 + 2 = 10, e = 10$$

$$a \rightarrow c \rightarrow b \rightarrow d \rightarrow e \rightarrow z \rightarrow 10 + 3 = 13, z = 13.$$

$[a \rightarrow c \rightarrow b \rightarrow d \rightarrow e \rightarrow z] \rightarrow$  is the minimum path

Time complexity:  $O((V+E) * \log(V))$ .

NP class problem:

Knap sack problem:

1. Find the most valuable subset of items that fit into the Knap-sack.

Item	weight	Value
1	7	\$ 42
2	3	\$ 12
3	4	\$ 40
4	5	\$ 25

$W = 10$



Item weight Value

One possible.

1	7	\$42
2	3	\$12
3	4	\$40
4	5	\$25

Two possible

1, 2	10	\$54
1, 3	11	* } NO. F.S
1, 4	12	* }
2, 3	7	* \$52
2, 4	8	* \$37
3, 4	9	* <b>\$65</b>

Three possible

1, 2, 3	14	X
1, 2, 4	15	X
1, 3, 4	16	X
2, 3, 4	12	X

} No feasible solution

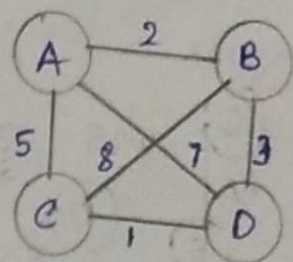
Four possible

1, 2, 3, 4	19	X
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Optimal solution = (3, 4)  $w = 9$   $V = \$65$

Time complexity =  $O(nw)$ .

NP-Hard Problem: (Travelling salesman problem)



$$a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow d \rightarrow a = 2 + 8 + 1 + 7 = 18$$

$$a \rightarrow b \rightarrow d \rightarrow c \rightarrow a = 2 + 3 + 1 + 5 = 11$$

$$a \rightarrow c \rightarrow b \rightarrow d \rightarrow a = 5 + 8 + 3 + 7 = 23$$

$$a \rightarrow c \rightarrow d \rightarrow b \rightarrow a = 5 + 1 + 8 + 7 = 21$$

$$a \rightarrow d \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow a = 7 + 3 + 8 + 5 = 23$$

$$a \rightarrow d \rightarrow c \rightarrow b \rightarrow a = 7 + 1 + 8 + 2 = 18$$

→ optimal solution.

Time complexity:  $O(n^2 \cdot 2^n)$

NP-Complete problem: (subset problem)

nodes  $\rightarrow \{3, 5, 6, 7\}$

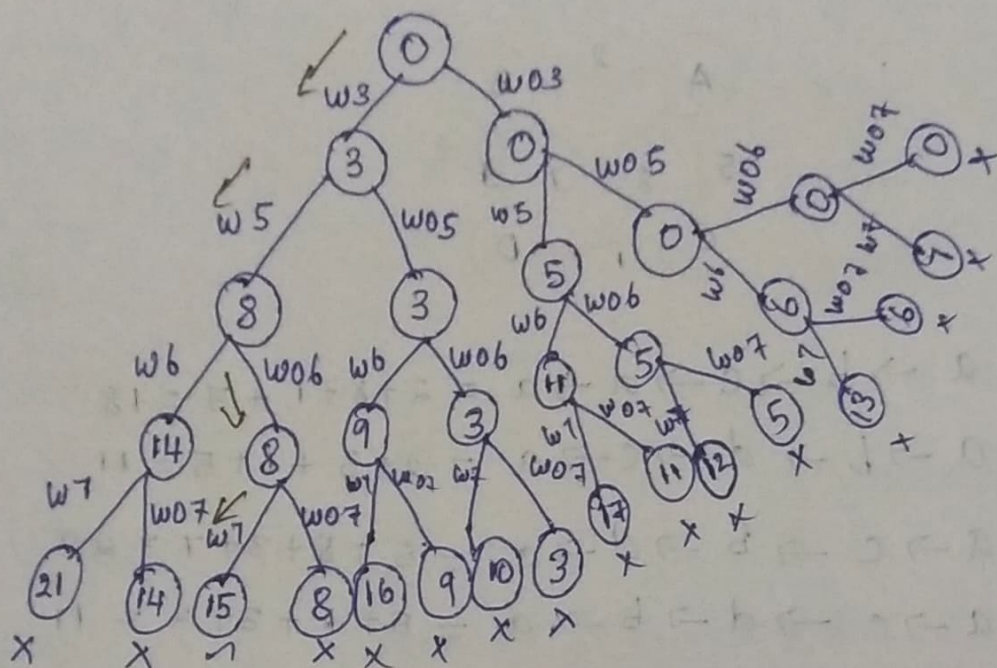
D  $\rightarrow$  15

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Destination (or) Required Value.



> Initially start with 0 node.



Steps :

> Insert the values on both side of the nodes until all the nodes insert.

> Choose the way to find the Target Value node.

Time complexity :  $O(n \times \text{sum})$

Short cut method to check answer :

$$D = 15$$

Add the nodes which will give this solution.

$$D = \{3, 5, 7\}$$

Here, w06 is not calculated.