# CS4102 Algorithms Fall 2018

#### Warm up:

Grab cookies!
Start with 2, leftovers will be at regrade office hours
Vegan & Gluten-free are available
Courtesy of Nate and Robbie

### Today's Keywords

- Reductions
- Bipartite Matching
- Vertex Cover
- Independent Set
- NP-Completeness

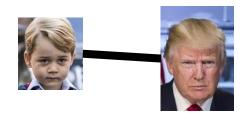
# **CLRS** Readings

• Chapter 34

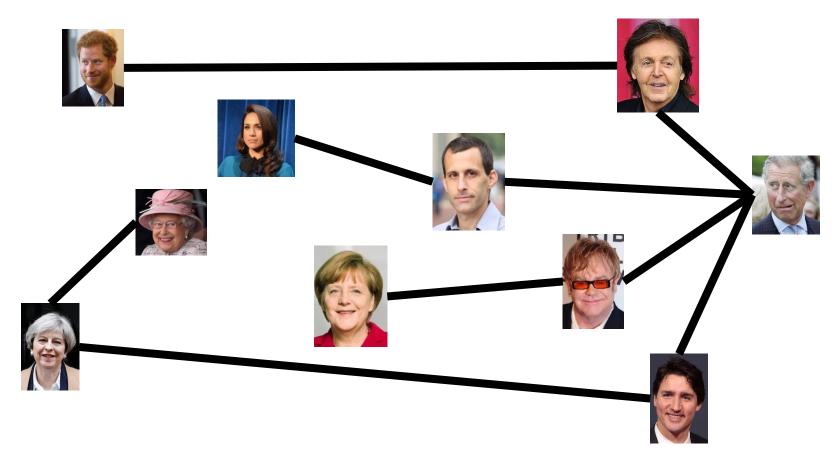
### Homeworks

- HW9 due Friday 12/7 at 11pm
  - Written (use LaTeX)
  - Graphs

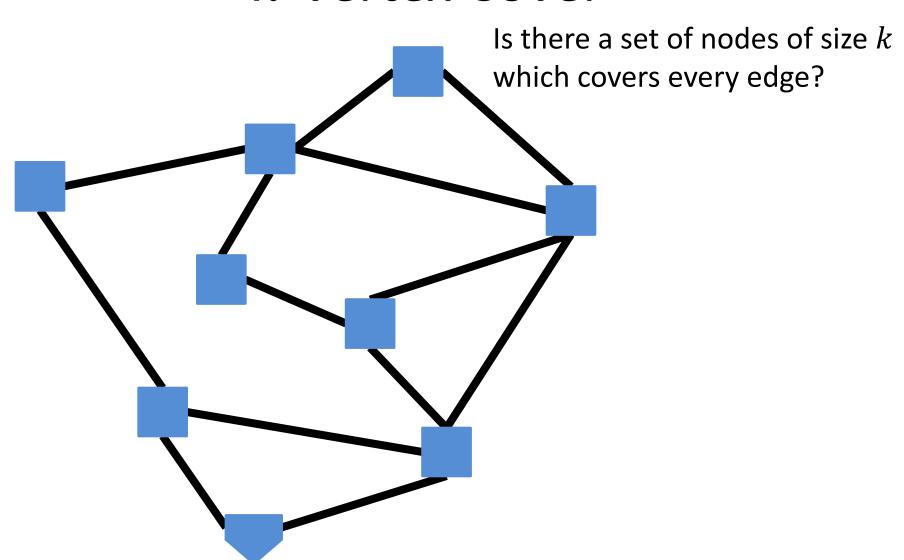
# k Independent Set



Is there a set of non-adjacent nodes of size k?

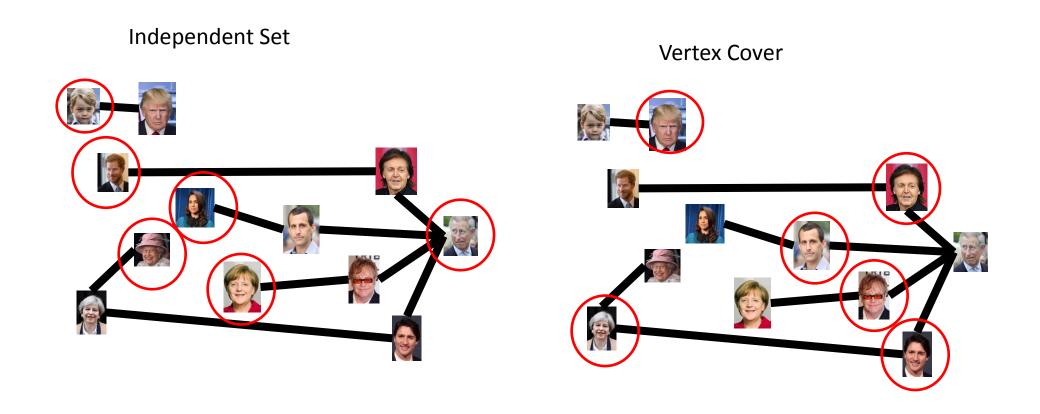


### k Vertex Cover



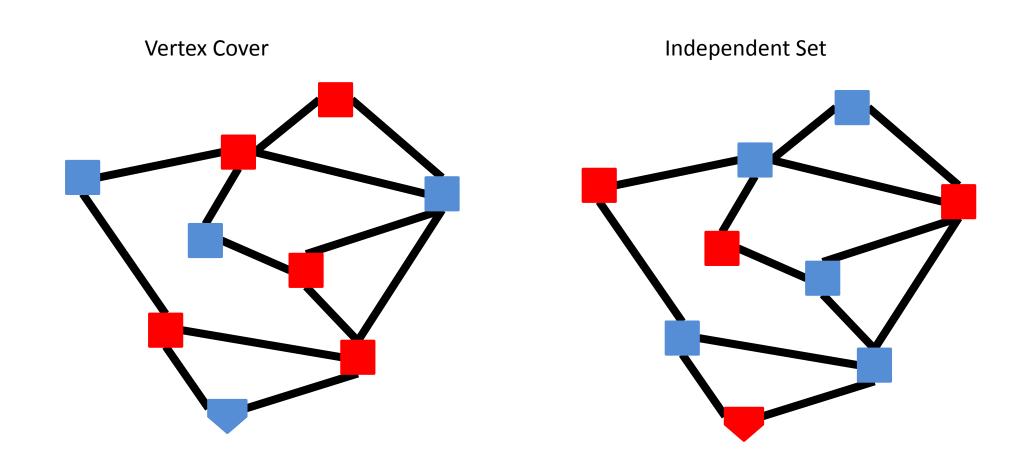
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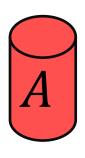
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# MacGyver's Reduction

Problem we don't know how to solve

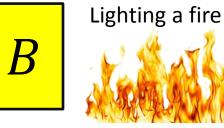
Problem we do know how to solve



Opening a door



Aim duct at door, insert keg



How?

Solution for **B** 

Alcohol, wood, matches



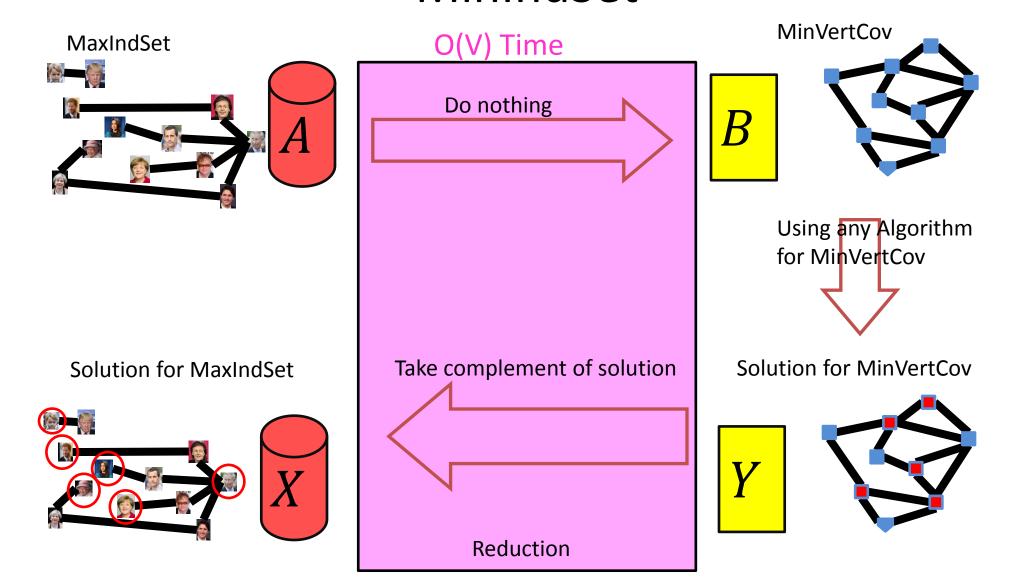
Solution for *A*Keg cannon
battering ram



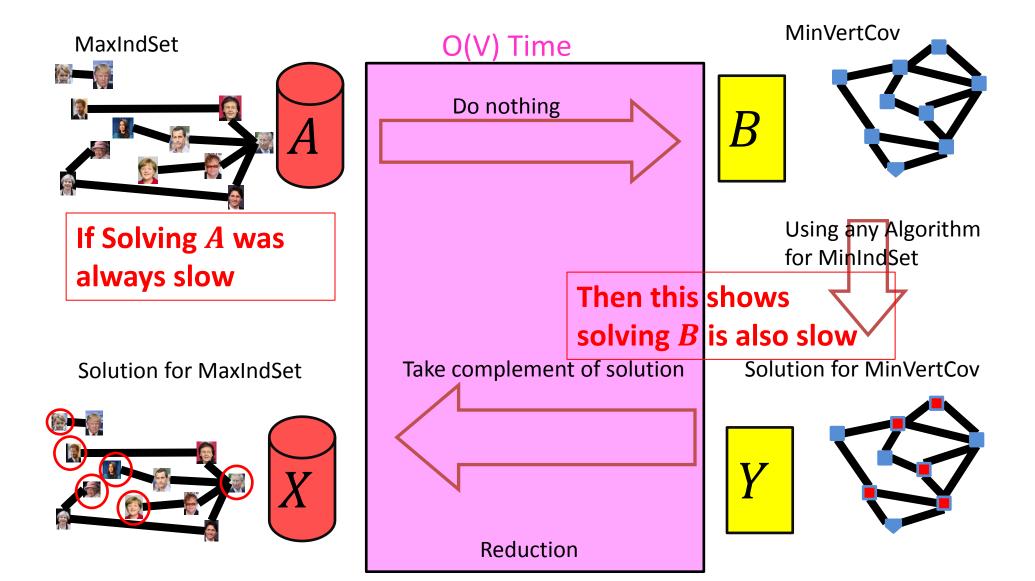
Put fire under the Keg

Reduction

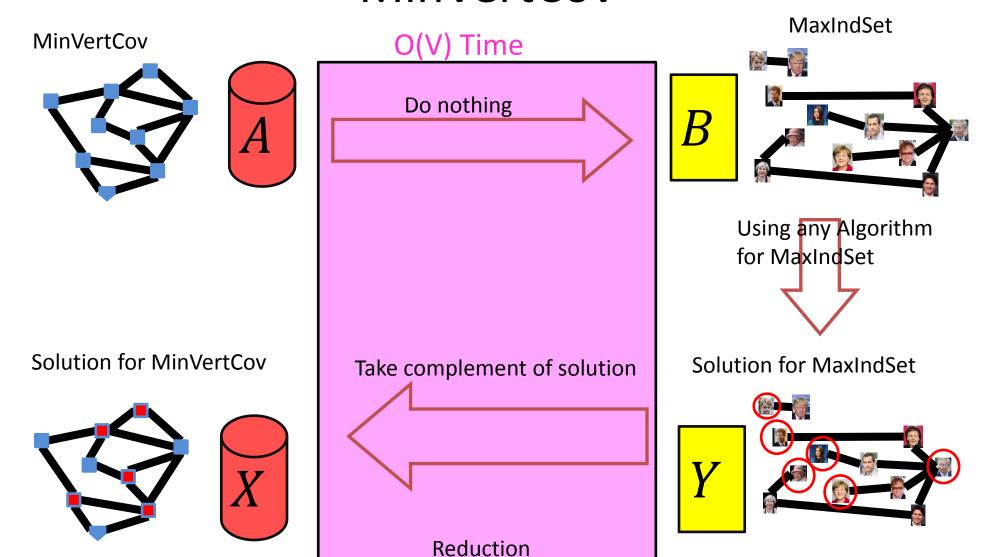
# MaxVertCov V-Time Reducable to MinIndSet



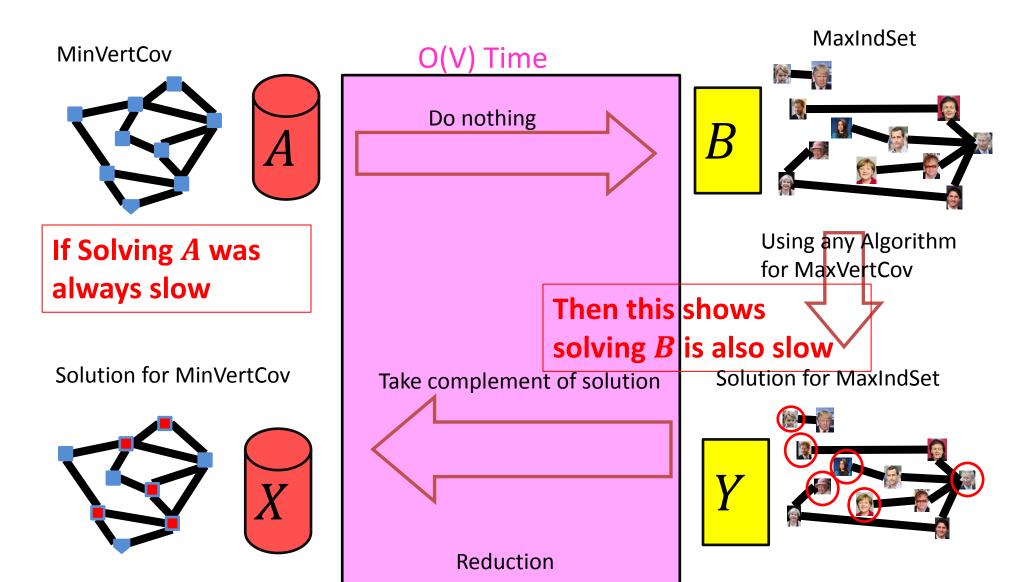
## Corollary



# MaxIndSet *V*-Time Reducable to MinVertCov



### Corollary



### Conclusion

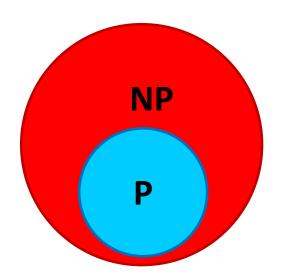
- MaxIndSet and MinVertCov are either both fast, or both slow
  - Spoiler alert: We don't know which!
    - (But we think they're both slow)
  - Both problems are NP-Complete

### **Problem Types**

- Decision Problems: If we can solve this
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- Search Problems: Then we can solve this
  - Find a solution
    - Output is complex
  - Give a vertex cover of size k
- Verification Problems:
  - Given a potential solution, is it valid?
    - Output is True/False
  - Is **this** a vertex cover of size k?

#### P vs NP

- P
  - Deterministic Polynomial Time
  - Problems solvable in polynomial time
    - $O(n^p)$  for some number p
- NP
  - Non-Deterministic Polynomial Time
  - Problems verifiable in polynomial time
    - $O(n^p)$  for some number p
- Open Problem: Does P=NP?
  - Certainly P ⊆ NP



### k-Independent Set is NP

• To show: Given a potential solution, can we verify it in  $O(n^p)$ ? [n = V + E]

How can we verify it?

- 1. Check that it's of size k O(V)
- 2. Check that it's an independent set  $O(V^2)$

### k-Vertex Cover is NP

• To show: Given a potential solution, can we verify it in  $O(n^p)$ ? [n = V + E]

How can we verify it?

- 1. Check that it's of size k O(V)
- 2. Check that it's a Vertex Cover O(E)

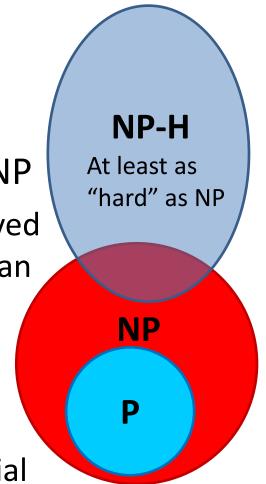
### **NP-Hard**

How can we try to figure out if P=NP?

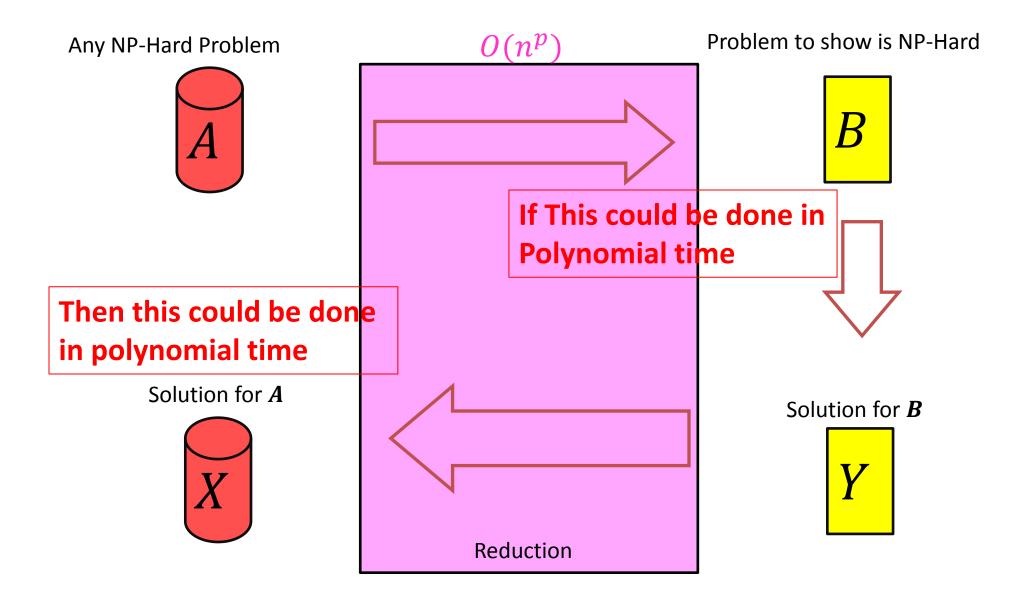
Identify problems at least as "hard" as NP

 If any of these "hard" problems can be solved in polynomial time, then all NP problems can be solved in polynomial time.

- Definition: NP-Hard:
  - -B is NP-Hard if  $\forall A \in NP$ ,  $A \leq_p B$
  - $-A \leq_p B$  means A reduces to B in polynomial time



### **NP-Hardness Reduction**



### NP-Complete

"Together they stand, together they fall"

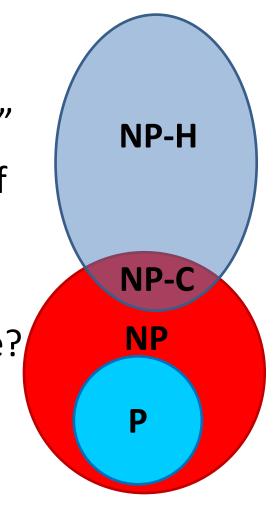
 Problems solvable in polynomial time iff ALL NP problems are

NP-Complete = NP ∩ NP-Hard

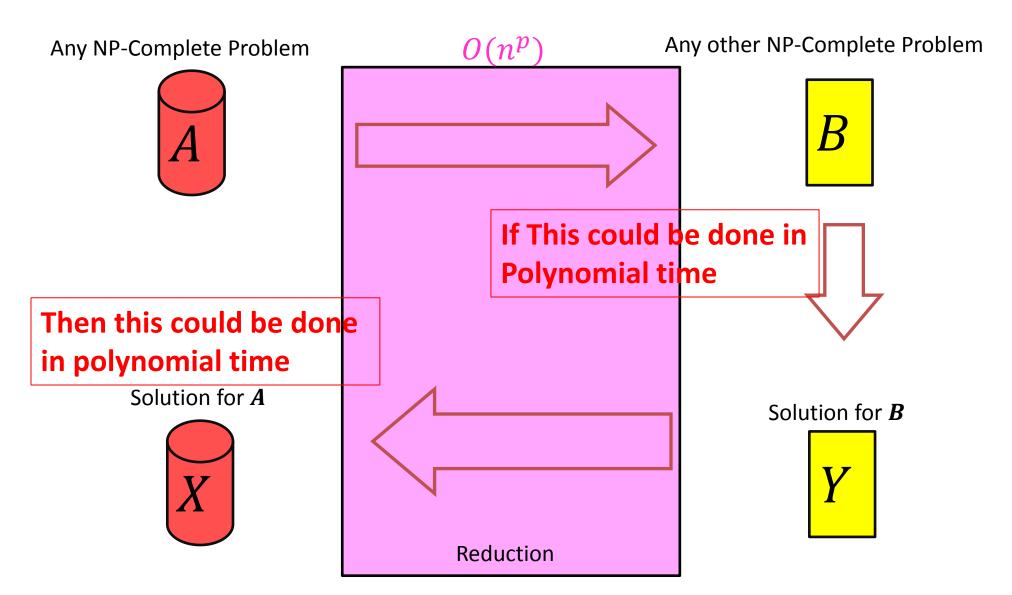
How to show a problem is NP-Complete?

- Show it belongs to NP
  - Give a polynomial time verifier
- Show it is NP-Hard
  - Give a reduction from another NP-H problem

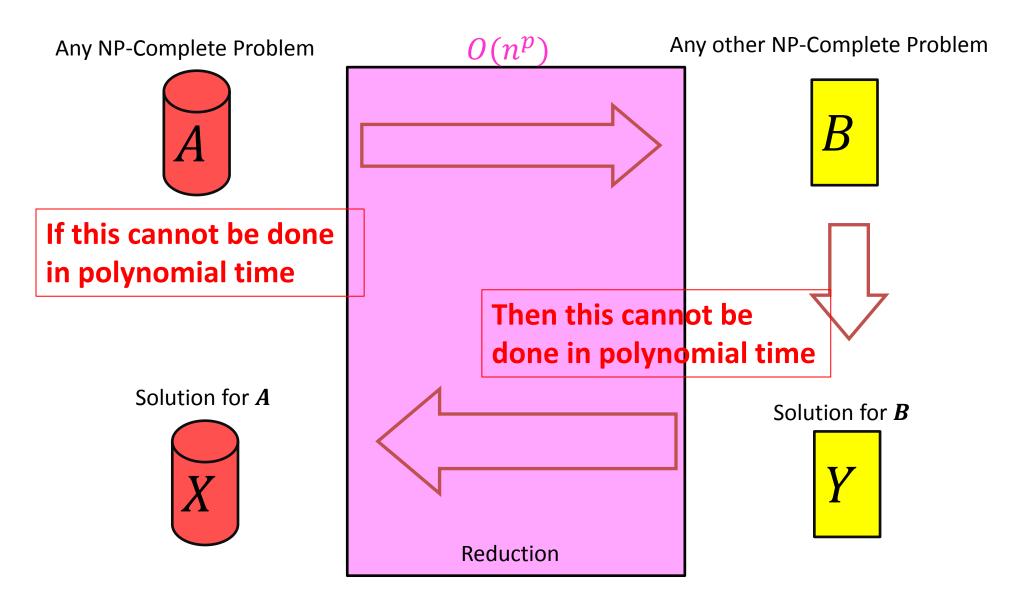
We now just need a FIRST NP-Hard problem



### NP-Completeness

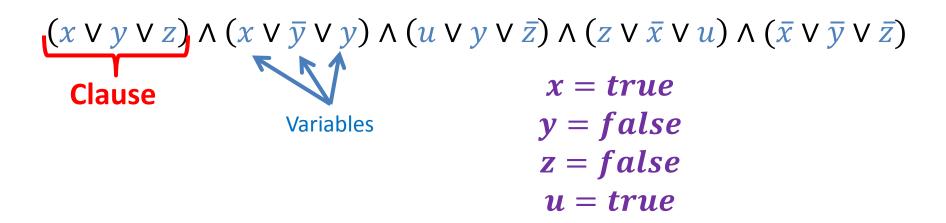


### **NP-Completeness**



#### 3-SAT

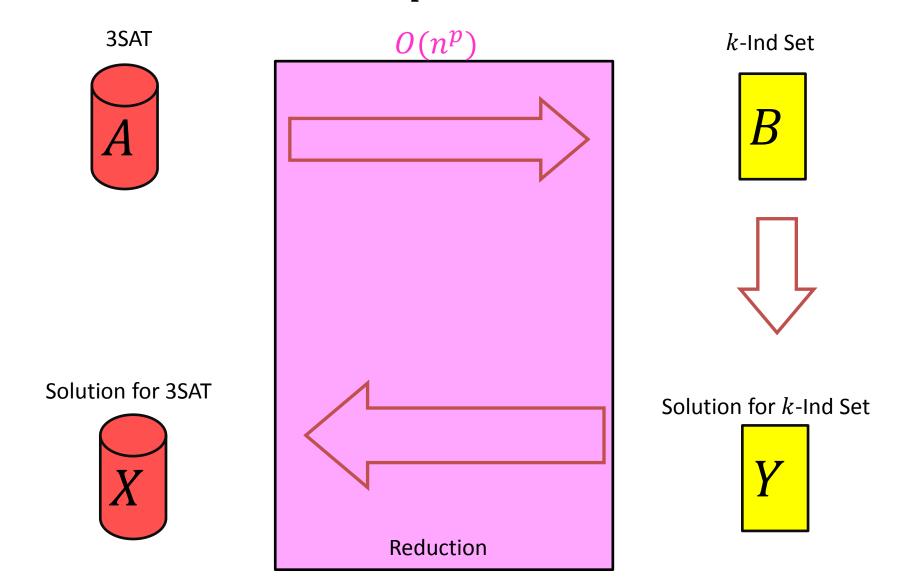
- Shown to be NP-Hard by Cook and Levin (independently)
- Given a 3-CNF formula (logical AND of clauses, each an OR of 3 variables), Is there an assignment of true/false to each variable to make the formula true?



### k-Independent Set is NP-Complete

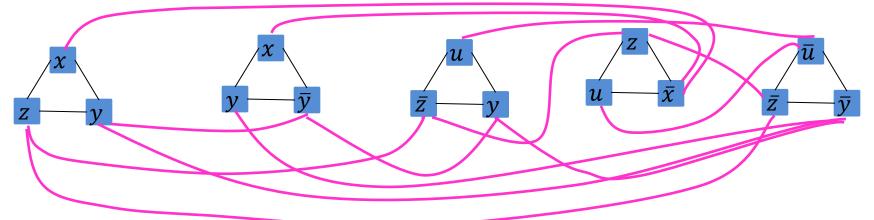
- 1. Show that it belongs to NP
  - Give a polynomial time verifier (slide 21)
- 2. Show it is NP-Hard
  - Give a reduction from a known NP-Hard problem
  - Show  $3SAT ≤_p kIndSet$

# $3SAT \leq_p kIndSet$



### Instance of 3SAT to Instance of kIndSet

 $(x \lor y \lor z) \land (x \lor \overline{y} \lor y) \land (u \lor y \lor \overline{z}) \land (z \lor \overline{x} \lor u) \land (\overline{x} \lor \overline{y} \lor \overline{z})$ 



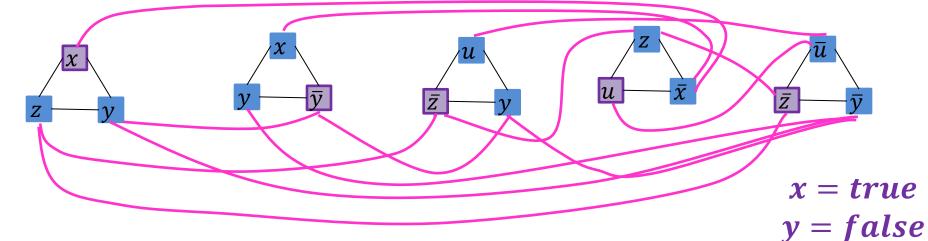
For each clause, produce a triangle graph with its three variables as nodes

Connect each node to all of its opposites

Let k = number of clausesThere is a k-IndSet in this graph, iff there is a satisfying assignment

### kIndSet $\Rightarrow$ Satisfying Assignment

 $(x \lor y \lor z) \land (x \lor \overline{y} \lor y) \land (u \lor y \lor \overline{z}) \land (z \lor \overline{x} \lor u) \land (\overline{x} \lor \overline{y} \lor \overline{z})$ 



One node per triangle is in the Independent set: because we can have exactly k total in the set, and 2 in a triangle would be adjacent

If x is selected in some triangle,  $\bar{x}$  is not selected in any triangle: Because every x is adjacent to every  $\bar{x}$ 

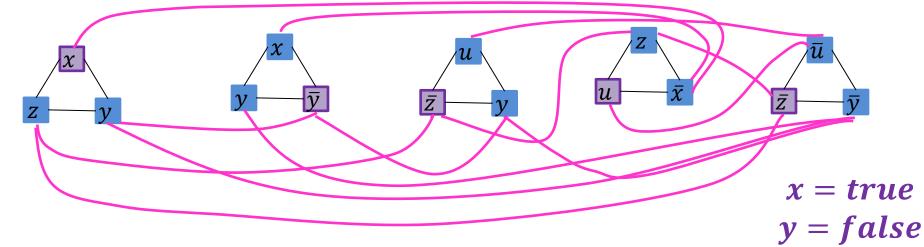
Set the variable which each included node represents to "true"

z = false

u = true

### Satisfying Assignment $\Rightarrow k$ IndSet

 $(x \lor y \lor z) \land (x \lor \overline{y} \lor y) \land (\overline{u} \lor y \lor \overline{z}) \land (z \lor \overline{x} \lor u) \land (\overline{x} \lor \overline{y} \lor \overline{z})$ 



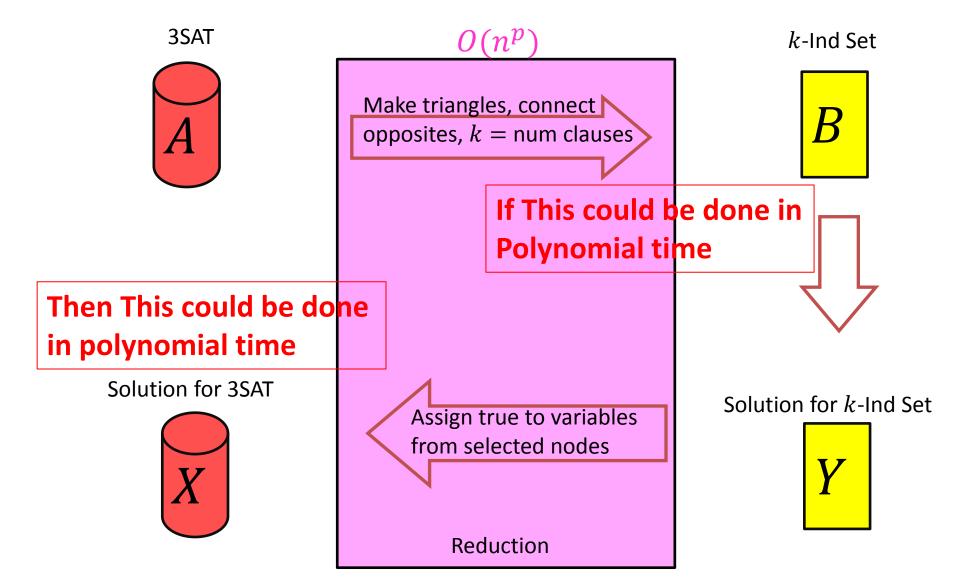
Use one true variable from the assignment for each triangle

z = falseu = true

The independent set has k nodes, because there are k clauses

If any variable x is true then  $\bar{x}$  cannot be true

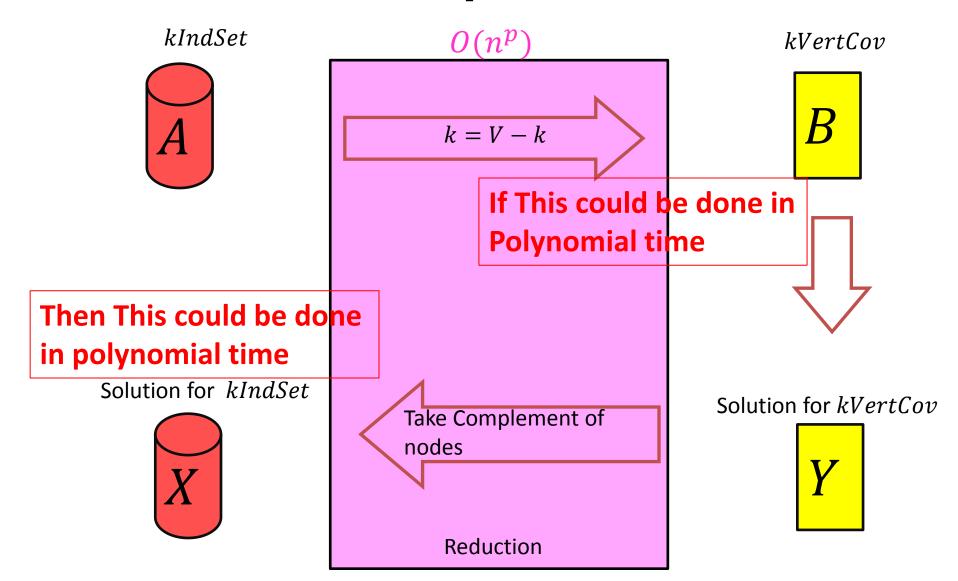
# $3SAT \leq_p kIndSet$



### k-Vertex Cover is NP-Complete

- 1. Show that it belongs to NP
  - Give a polynomial time verifier (slide 22)
- 2. Show it is NP-Hard
  - Give a reduction from a known NP-Hard problem
  - We showed  $kIndSet ≤_p kVertCov$ 
    - (Last Class)

# $kIndSet \leq_p kVertCov$

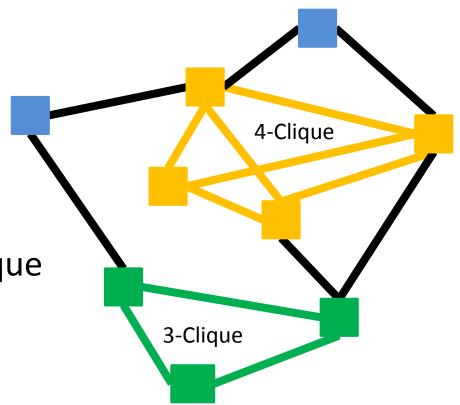


# *k*-Clique Problem

 Clique: A complete subgraph

• *k*-Clique Problem:

- Given a graph G and a number k, is there a clique of size k?

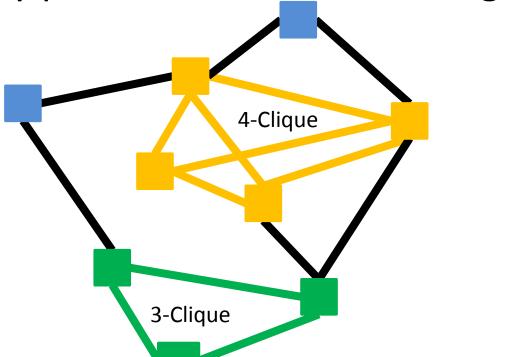


### *k*-Clique is NP-Complete

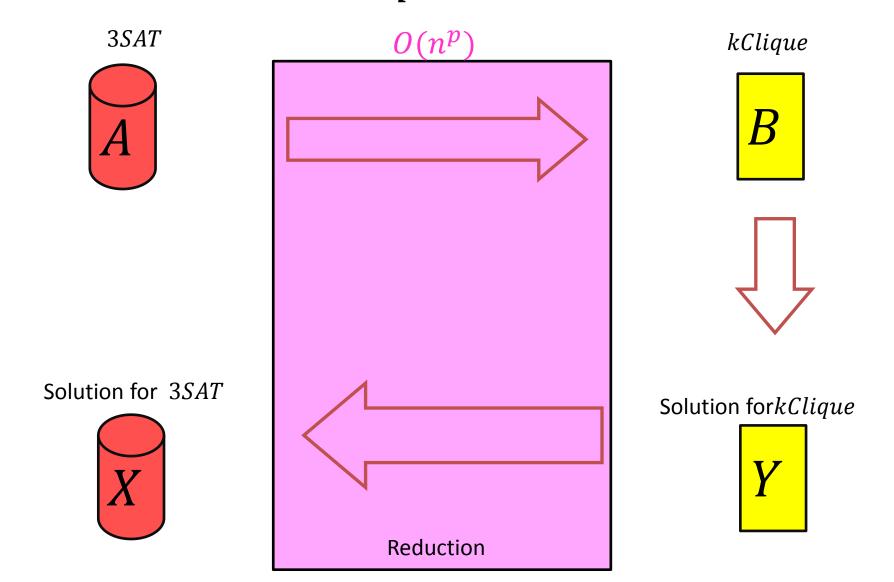
- 1. Show that it belongs to NP
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  - − We will show  $3SAT \leq_{p} kClique$

### *k*-Clique is NP

- 1. Given a Graph and a potential solution
- 2. Check that the solution has k nodes
- 3. Check that every pair of nodes share an edge

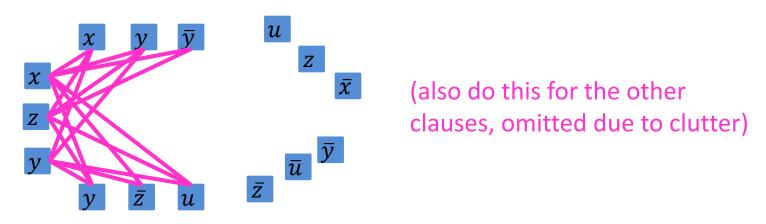


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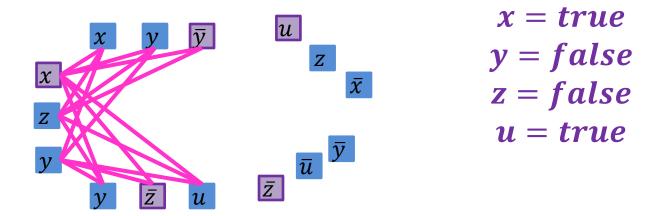
For each clause, produce a node for each of its three variables

Connect each node to all non-contradictory nodes in the other clauses (i.e., anything that's not its negation)

Let k = number of clausesThere is a k-Clique in this graph, iff there is a satisfying assignment

### kClique $\Rightarrow$ Satisfying Assignment

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There are k triplets in the graph, and no two nodes in the same triplet are adjacent

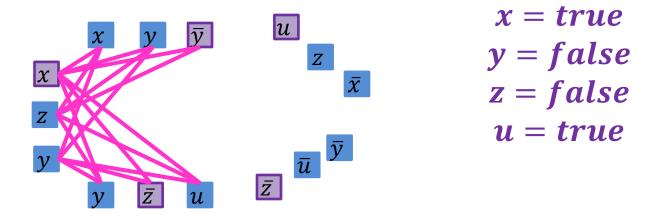
To have a k-Clique, must have one node from each triplet

Cannot select a node for both a variable and its negation

Therefore selection of nodes is a satisfying assignment

### Satisfying Assignment $\Rightarrow k$ Clique

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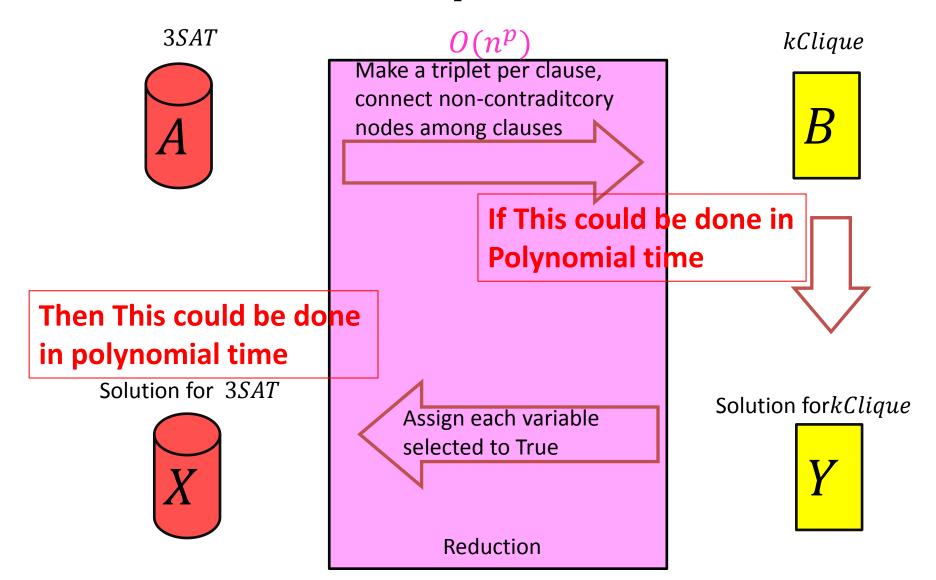
Select one node for a true variable from each clause

There will be k nodes selected

We can't select both a node and its negation

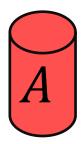
All nodes will be non-contradictory, so they will be pairwise adjacent

# $3SAT \leq_p kClique$



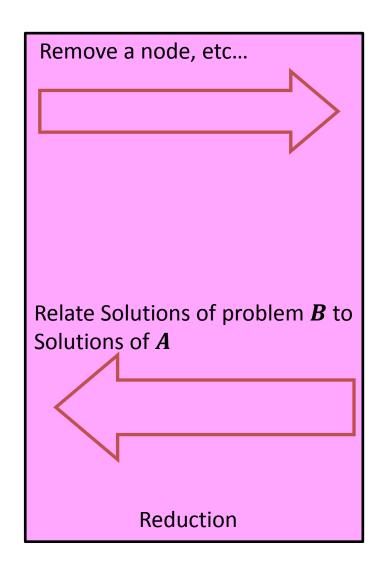
### Reduction

#### *k*-VertexCover Solver



Solution for *A* 





*k*-VertexCover Decider



Using any Algorithm for **B** 

Solution for **B** 



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### Using a k-VertexCover decider to build a searcher

- Set i = k 1
- Remove nodes (and incident edges) one at a time
- Check if there is a vertex cover of size i
  - If so, then that removed node was part of the k vertex cover, set i=i-1
  - Else, it wasn't

