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NP-Completeness.

Algorithms : efficiency

n bits to specify the input.
 $O(n^c)$ where c is a constant } polynomial time
 $O(n), n^2, n^3, \dots$
 2^n n^{10^6}
 $n \sim 100$
 $2^{\sqrt{n}}, n^{\log n}, \dots$: inefficient.

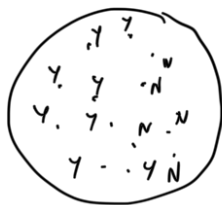
Q: Given an algorithmic problem, is there an efficient algorithm for it?

"Complexity theory"

NP-Completeness....

solution?

Definition: Decision Problems: A problem is called a decision problem if for every input, the answer is either YES or NO.



All possible inputs

$$\phi : (T \wedge x_2 \wedge x_3) \vee (F \wedge \bar{x}_2 \wedge x_3).$$

Ex: PRIMALITY

(I) Given a number n , is n prime? ✓

(II) Given a graph G with edge capacities u_e , does it have a max-flow of value T ? ✓

(III) SATISFIABILITY: Boolean formula

ϕ : Boolean variables \rightarrow T/F

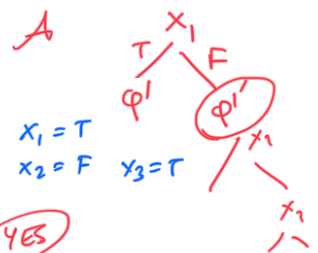
$x_1, \dots, x_n \rightarrow$ T/F

$$\phi = (x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge x_3) \vee (x_1 \wedge \bar{x}_2 \wedge x_3)$$

AND OR negation

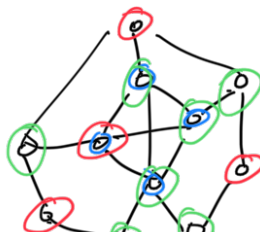
ϕ' : formula obtained by substituting $x_i = T$ or F .

$\phi' : x_1 = F$



Q: Is there a setting of T/F values to the variables x_1, \dots, x_n such that ϕ is True.

(IV) CLIQUE: G is an undirected graph. A subset of vertices is said to form a clique if there is an edge between every pair of them.



Find the largest clique in G .

|| Given a graph G , $k \geq 0$:
 does G have a clique of size $\geq k$?

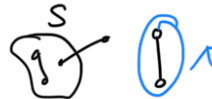
(V)

INDEPENDENT SET: G is an undirected graph. A subset of vertices is said to be an independent set if no pair of vertices have an edge between them.

Given a graph G , $k \geq 0$: does G have an IS of size $\geq k$?

(VI)

VERTEX COVER: Given a graph G , a subset S of vertices is called a Vertex Cover if every edge has at least one end point in S .



Given a graph G , $k \geq 0$: does G have a VC of size $\leq k$?

(VII)

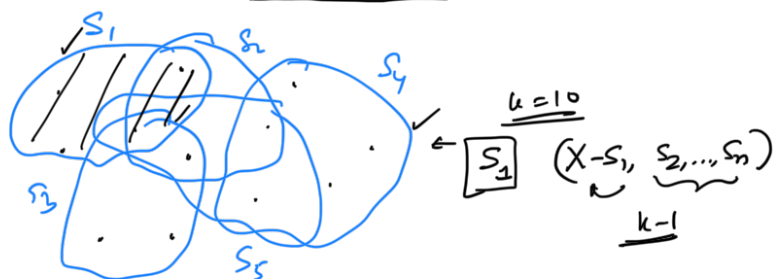
SET COVER: X : any set $(X, S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n)$ $S_i \subseteq X$

A sub collection

$S_{i_1}, S_{i_2}, \dots, S_{i_k}$

is called a set cover if

$$S_{i_1} \cup S_{i_2} \cup \dots \cup S_{i_k} = X.$$



Q: Does (X, S_1, \dots, S_n) have a set cover consisting of $\leq k$ sets?

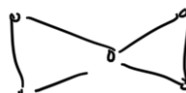
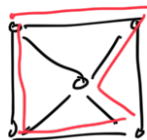
(positive integer)

(VIII)

Subset Sum: Given n numbers X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n and a target T is there a subset of X_1, \dots, X_n which add to exactly T ?

(IX)

Hamiltonian Cycle: A graph G is said to be Hamiltonian if there is a cycle which contains all the vertices.



$A: X_2, \dots, X_n, T - X_1$
 ✓ Yes
 No: X_2, \dots, X_n, T

Q: given a graph G , is it Hamiltonian??

✓ $X_2: X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n, T - X_2$

(I)

Decision vs Optimization / A more complex solution.

Is it enough to solve them?? Yes.

SET-COVER

(X, S_1, \dots, S_n)

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!}$$

Decision Version \xleftarrow{k} Optimization Version : find a sub-collection which is a min. set cover.

Yes/No
 [If there is an efficient algorithm A to solve the decision version, then there is an efficient algorithm to solve the optimization version also.

By using A we can find the min. # sets in a set cover.

(S_1)

Does S_1 appear in the min. set cover?

$$(X - S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n) \leftarrow k-1.$$

Find Min Set Cover $(X, S_1, \dots, S_n)_k$

- if $(X - S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n)$ has a set cover of size $k-1$
 output S_1 and Find Min Set Cover $(X - S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n)_{k-1}$

else

Find Min Set Cover $(X, S_2, \dots, S_n)_k$

Should I take

X, S_1, \dots, S_n

$\downarrow A$

X', S_2, \dots, S_n

$\downarrow A$

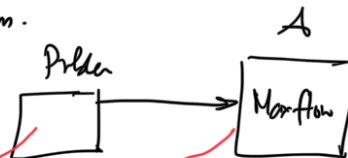
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Make n calls to A .

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Reducibility:

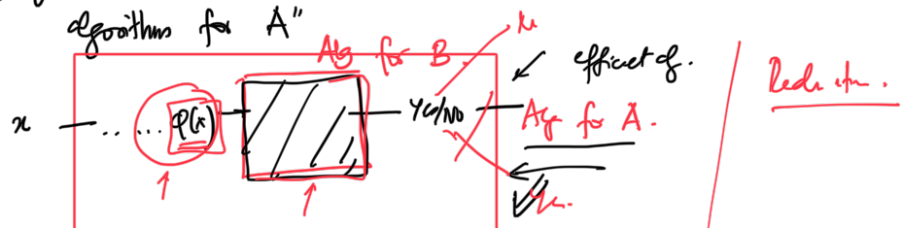
You use the solution to one problem to solve another problem.

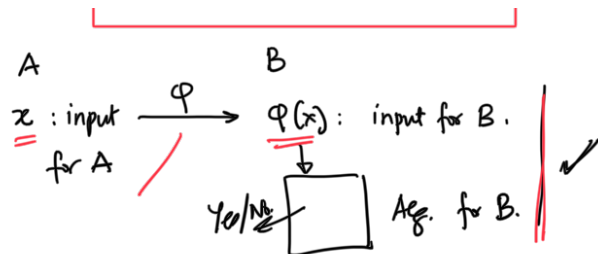


Let A, B be two decision problems

We say that $A \leq_p B$ (A is reducible to B) if

" a polynomial time algorithm for B implies a polynomial time algorithm for A "





(i) ϕ can be implemented in poly. time.

(ii) Answer to x is YES \Rightarrow Answer to $\phi(x)$ is YES
 " " " " NO \Rightarrow " " $\phi(x)$ is NO

$P \Rightarrow Q$
 $\neg Q \Rightarrow \neg P$

$A \leq_P B$ if B can be solved efficiently, then A can be solved efficiently.
 \Downarrow
 if A cannot be solved efficiently, then B cannot be solved efficiently.

11/11/2021.

Major Exam: 17th 9-11:30. (11:30-12:00 upload time).

Syllabus: all the course, 75% questions from syllabus covered after Minor I: Divide Conquer, DP, Flow, NP-completeness.

- 1+2 solution

- open notes from lectures but no books etc.

$A \leq_P B$: if B has a polynomial time solution, then so does A .

Ex: (i) $\underline{IS} \leq_P \underline{CLIQUE}$.

A is a polynomial time alg. to solve CLIQUE.

IS
 Input: $G=(V,E)$
 Q: Does G have an IS of size k ?

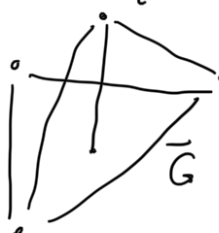
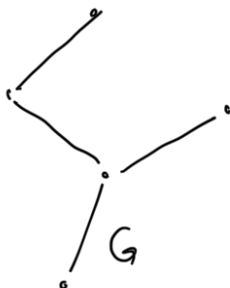
CLIQUE
 Input': \bar{G}, k

"opposite of G "

$\bar{G} = (V, \bar{E})$

\downarrow
 $\{(u,v) : (u,v) \notin E\}$

Time taken: $\sqrt{A} + \text{time taken to Input} \rightarrow \text{Input'}$
 $\underline{n^2} \quad n^3 n^4$



Answer for $\bar{G} \equiv$ Answer for G .

To show: \bar{G} has a clique of size k if and only if G has an IS of size k .

IMPORTANT: there are two statements here.

Pf: Suppose \bar{G} has a clique of size k .

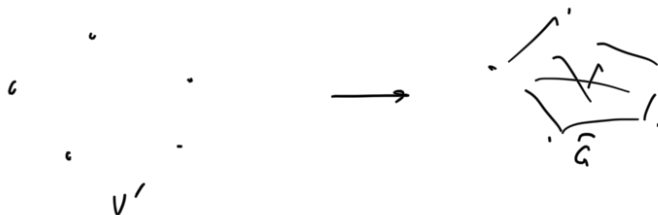
V' : set of k vertices in \bar{G} which form a clique



in G , there is no edge between any pair of vertices in V' .
 $\Rightarrow V'$ is an IS in G .

Suppose G has an IS of size $k \rightarrow \bar{G}$ has a clique of size k .

NO. \leftarrow NO



(ii) $\text{CLIQUE} \leq_p \text{IS}$ ✓

$G, k \rightarrow \bar{G}, k$

$\Rightarrow \text{CLIQUE} \leq_p \text{VC}$

$\left. \begin{matrix} A \leq_p B \\ B \leq_p C \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow A \leq_p C$

(iii)

$\text{IS} \leq_p$

VC

A

IS

Input

G, k

VC

Input'

G', k'

Q: Does G' have a VC of size k' ?

Q: Does G have an IS of size k ?

Yes	\leftarrow	Yes
Yes	\rightarrow	Yes

G has n vertices

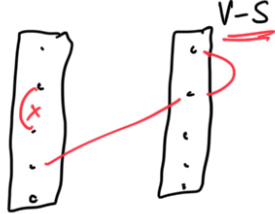
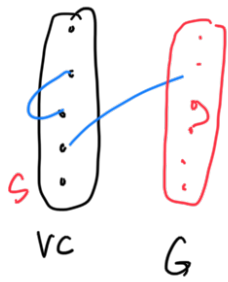
IS

G, k

VC

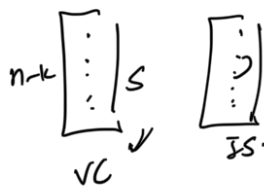
$G, n-k$

✓ If G has an IS of size k , then G has a VC of size $n-k$.



S : IS of size k

✓ If G has a VC of size $n-k$, then G has an IS of size k .

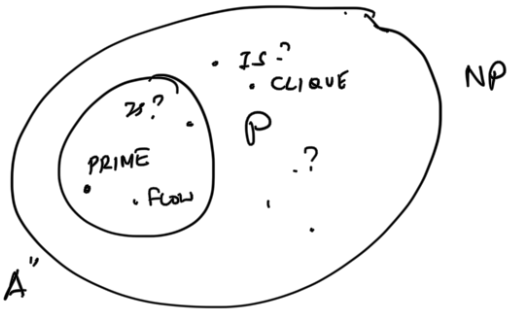


Two classes of problems: P & NP .

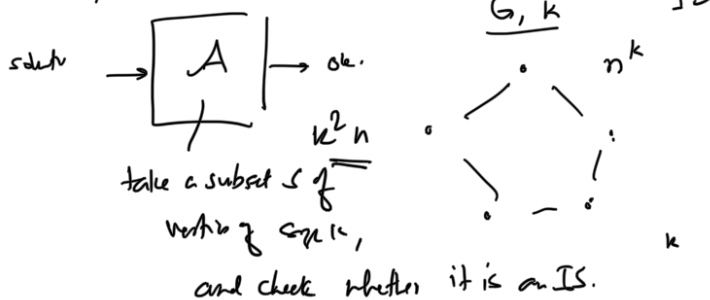
P : set of ^{decision} problems for which there is a polynomial time alg.

NP : Non-deterministic poly. time.

A ^{decision} problem A is in the class NP if there is an efficient algorithm which can check a solution of A .



I : input.

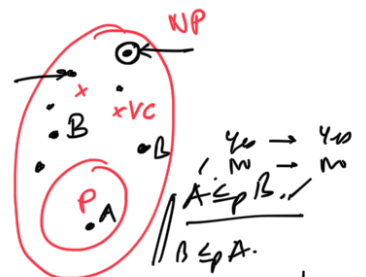
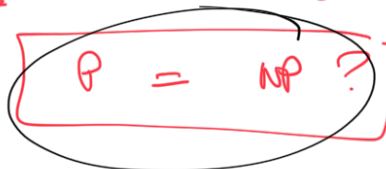


Defn: (NP) A decision problem $A \in NP$ if there is a polynomial time alg A with the following property:

- (i) Suppose x is an input for which the answer is YES then there is a string y such that $A(x, y)$ outputs YES.
(y is a solution, check whether y is a valid solution for x.)
- (ii) If x is an input for which the answer is NO then for all strings y $A(x, y)$ outputs NO.

(1) $P \subseteq NP$?

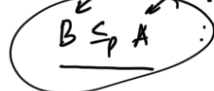
Suppose $A \in P$. y = empty string



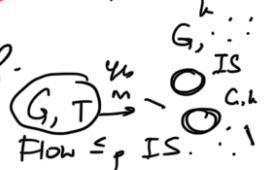
Problem: A

What to know is $A \in P$ or not?

Suppose $B \in P$ and



reduction gives $A \notin P$.



Is there any problem which is not in P ? What if $P \neq NP$? Yes!

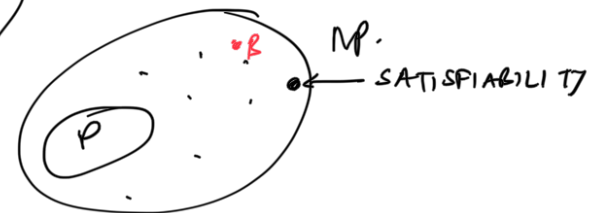
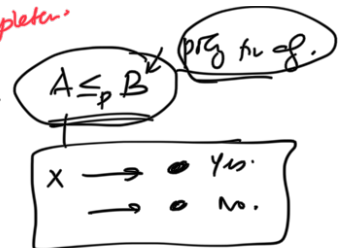
[Cook's thm '71] If L is a problem in NP , 3-SAT.

$L \leq_p \text{SATISFIABILITY}$

NP-Completeness

⇒ if there is a poly. time alg. for SATISFIABILITY, then there is a poly time alg. for any $L \in NP$.

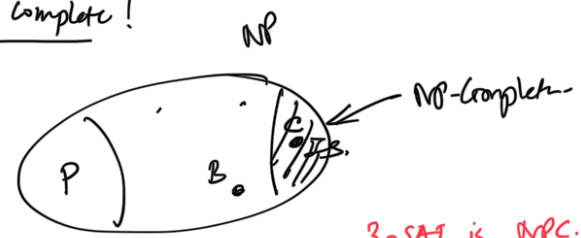
⇒ if $P \neq NP$, then SATISFIABILITY $\notin P$.



Def (NP-Completeness) A problem "B" is said to be NP-Complete
 (i) $B \in NP$
 (ii) $\forall \text{ problem } L \in NP, L \leq_p B$
 ⇒ if B is NP-Complete & $P \neq NP$, then $B \notin P$.

We "believe" that $P \neq NP$.

$L \leq_p \text{SATISFIABILITY} \Rightarrow \text{SATISFIABILITY} \notin P$
 $\text{SATISFIABILITY} \leq_p B \Rightarrow B \text{ is also NP-Complete!}$

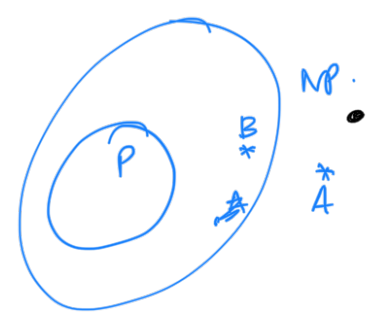
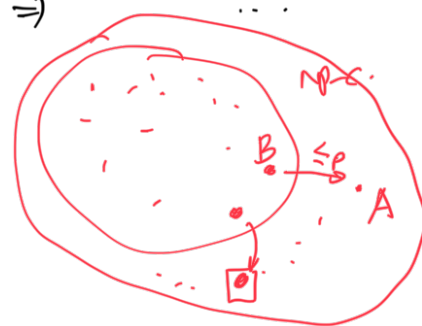


$C \leq_p B$ & C is NP-Complete
 ⇒ B is also NP-Complete

Thm: $\text{3SAT} \Rightarrow \text{SATISFIABILITY} \leq_p \text{IS}$
 ⇒ IS also NP-complete.

$\text{IS} \leq_p \text{CLIQUE} \Rightarrow \text{CLIQUE is NP-Complete.}$
 $\text{IS} \leq_p \text{VC} \Rightarrow \text{VC is NP-Complete.}$
 $\text{IS} \leq_p \text{Hamit.} \Rightarrow \dots$

3-SAT is NPC.
 3-SATISFIABILITY
 3-CNF Boolean Formula
 $(x_1 \vee x_2 \vee x_3) \wedge (\quad) \wedge (\quad)$
 $C_1 \wedge \dots \wedge C_m$ m clauses
 OR of 3 variables.
 $(x_1 \vee x_2 \vee x_3) \wedge (\bar{x}_1 \vee x_4 \vee \bar{x}_3) \wedge (\dots) \wedge (\dots)$



NP-Hard! A problem A is NP-Hard if $\forall L \in NP, L \leq_p A$

NP-Complete B, $B \leq_p A$.

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(G, k) : G does not have a VC of size k : Believed to be
not in NP.

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16th: 4 pm ??

Sample problem: