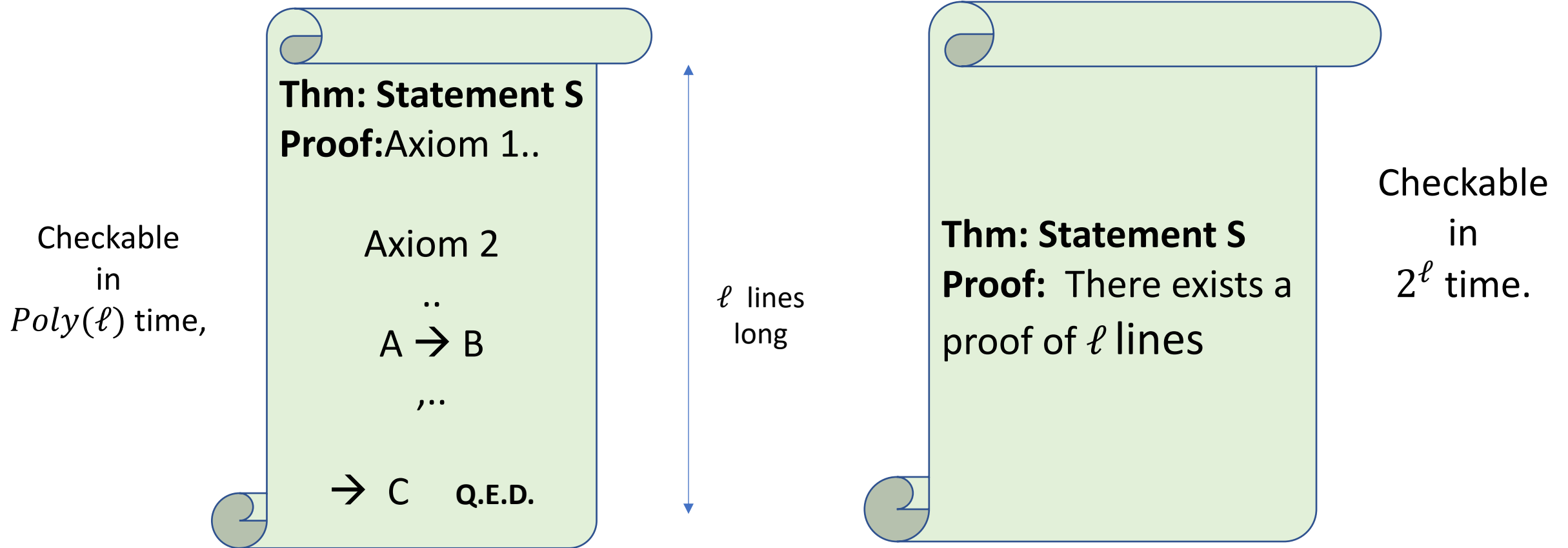


# Proofs

# What's a proof?



Statement  $\Phi$   
(to be proved)

PROVER



PROOF

Verifier



ACCEPT  
/REJECT

### ***True Statements Are Provable***

- $\Phi$  is true



$\exists$  strategy such that Prover will Win/ Verifier will Accept.

### ***False Statements Cannot Be Proved***

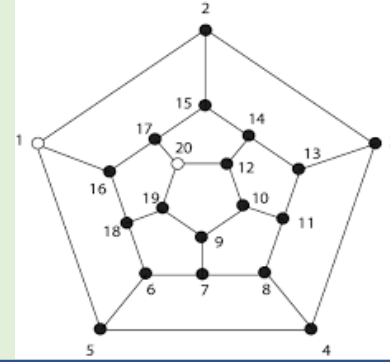
- $\Phi$  is false



$\forall$  strategy of Prover, Verifier will Reject.

# NP

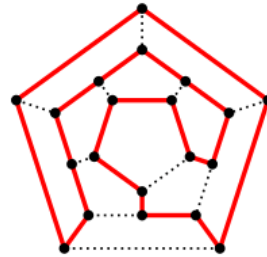
**Statement:**  
*"This graph has a Rudrata cycle"*



PROVER



PROOF:



Polynomial-time  
computation



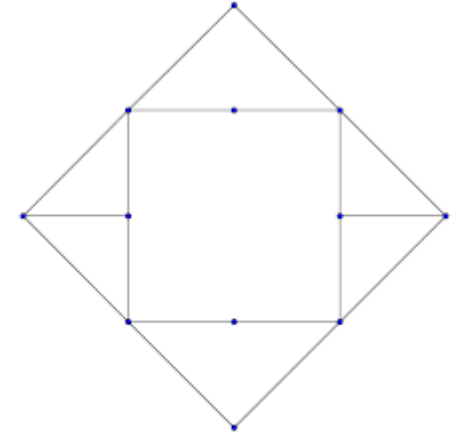
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Verifier



# coNP = complement of NP

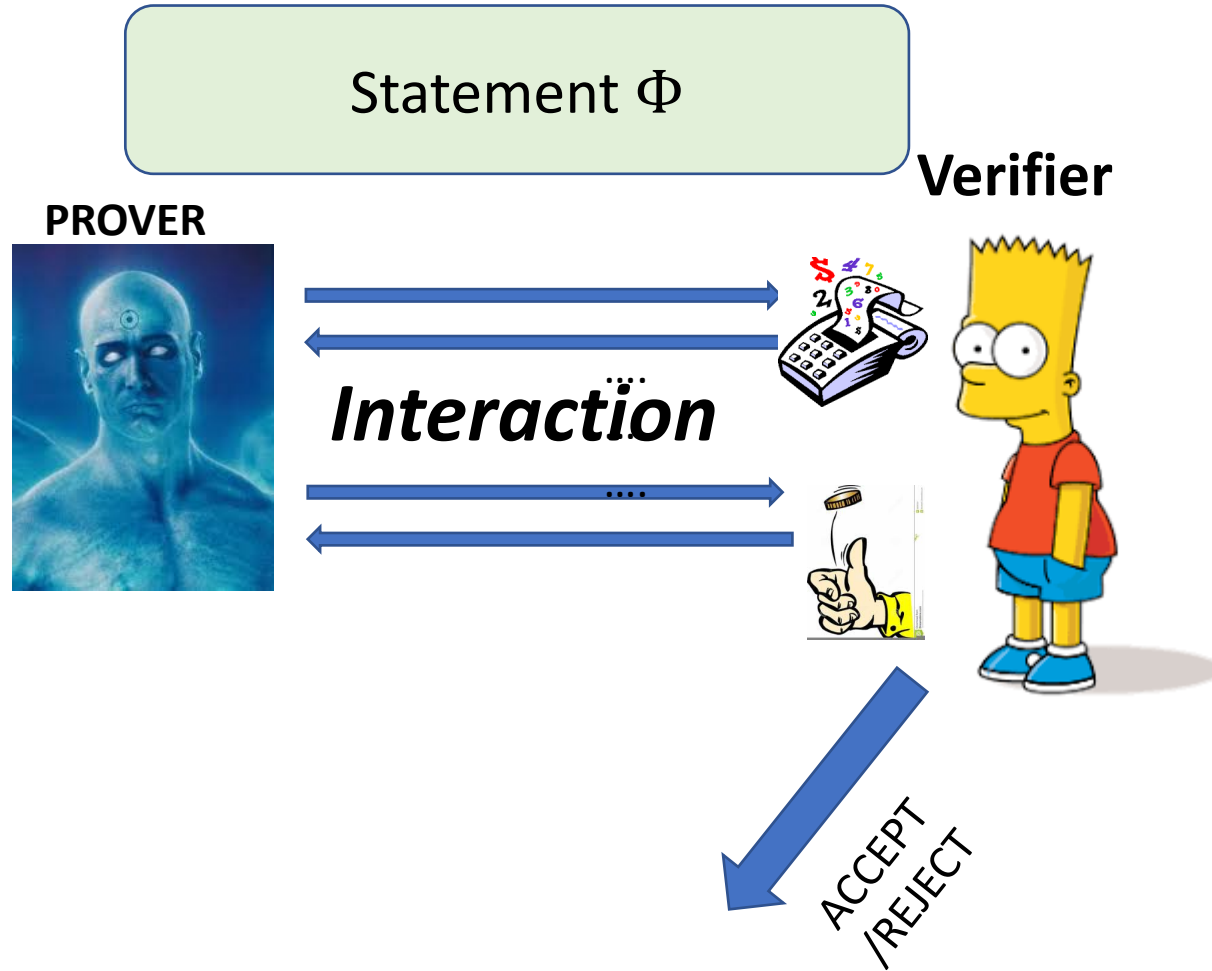
**Example:** *“This graph has NO Rudrata cycle”*



No efficiently verifiable proofs of truth of coNP statements in general.

However, if statement is false, there is an efficiently verifiable proof of “NOT  $\Phi$ ”.

# Interactive Proofs



## ***True Statements Are Provable***

- $\Phi$  is true



$\exists$  strategy such that Prover will Win/  
Verifier will Accept.

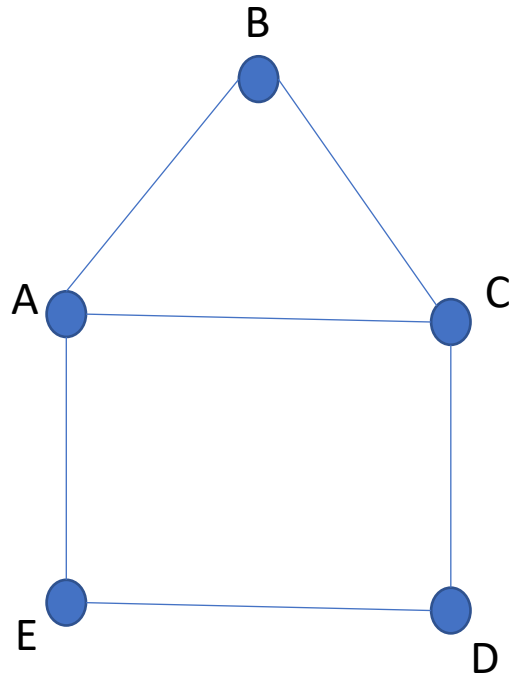
## ***False Statements Cannot Be Proved (with high probability)***

- $\Phi$  is false



$\forall$  strategy of Prover, Verifier will Reject  
with high probability (say 0.999) .

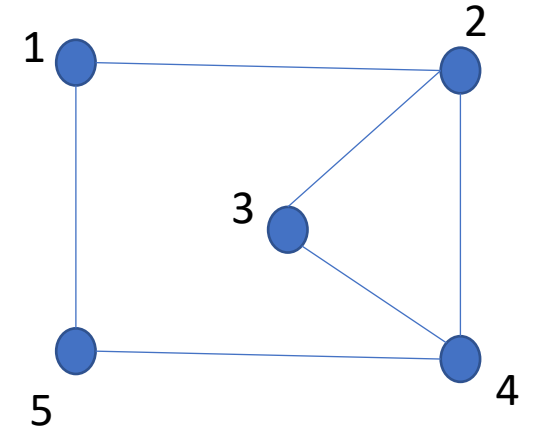
# Are these two graphs different?



A	2
B	3
C	4
D	5
E	1

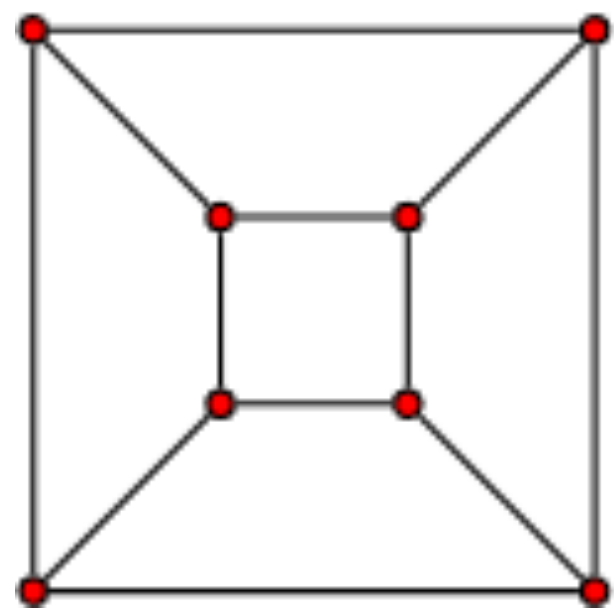
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*“Two graphs are isomorphic”*



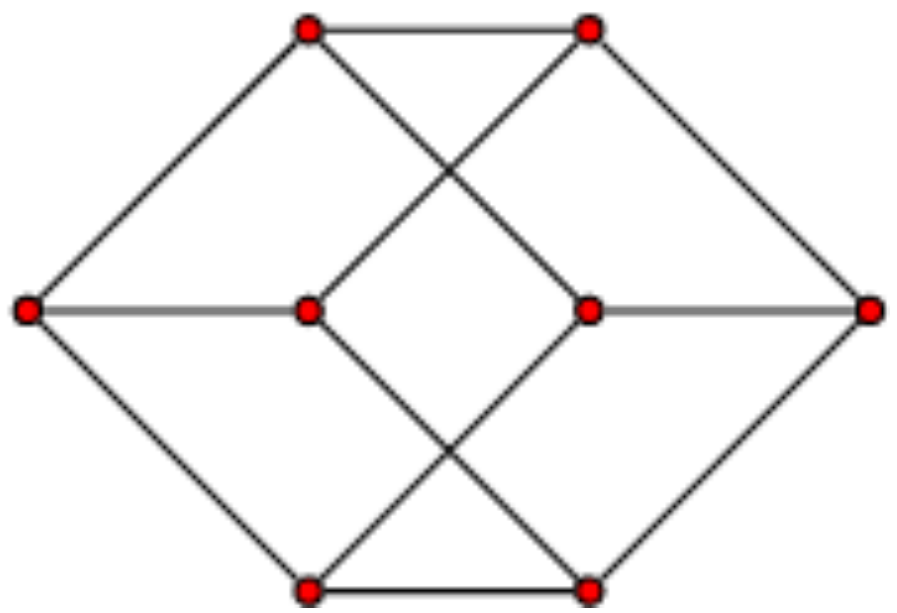
**Definition:** Graphs **G** and **H** are isomorphic if there exists a bijection  $\pi: V(G) \rightarrow V(H)$  such that,  $(i, j) \in E(G)$  if and only if  $(\pi(i), \pi(j)) \in E(H)$

Are these graphs same?



G

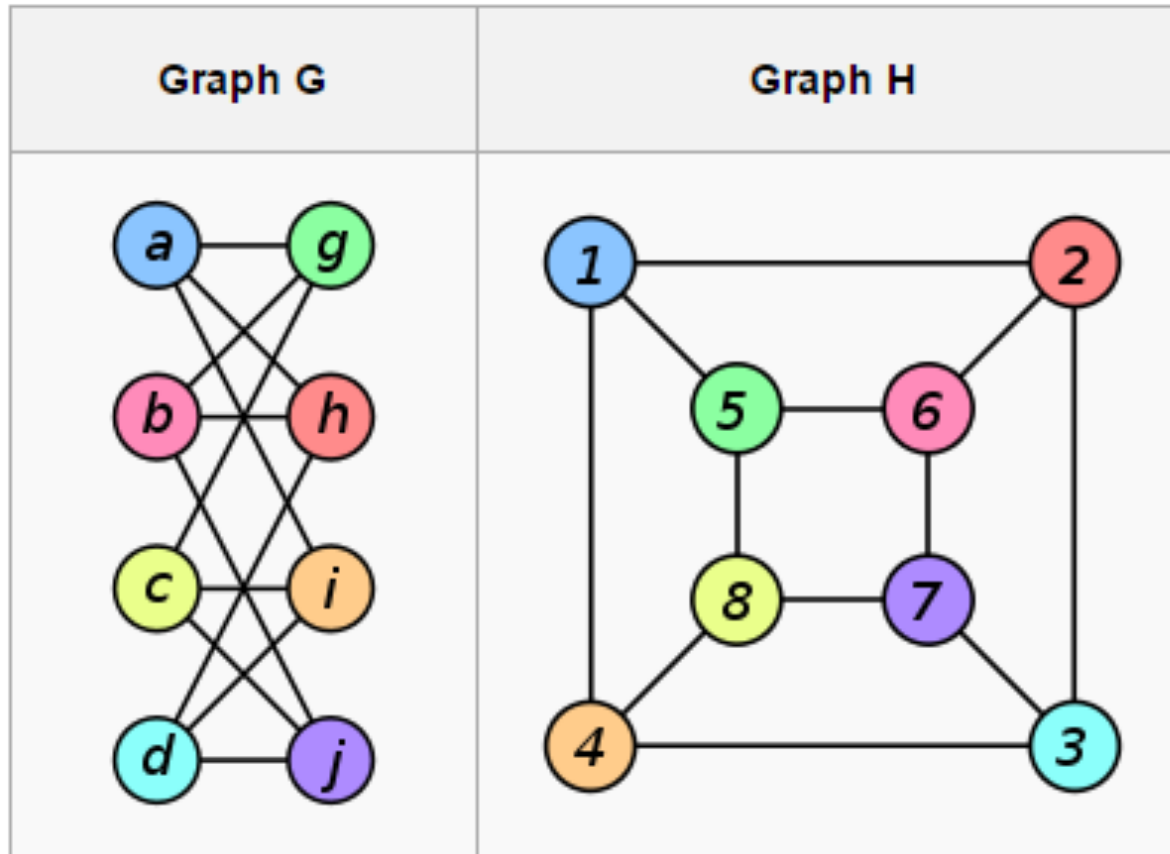
$\equiv$



H

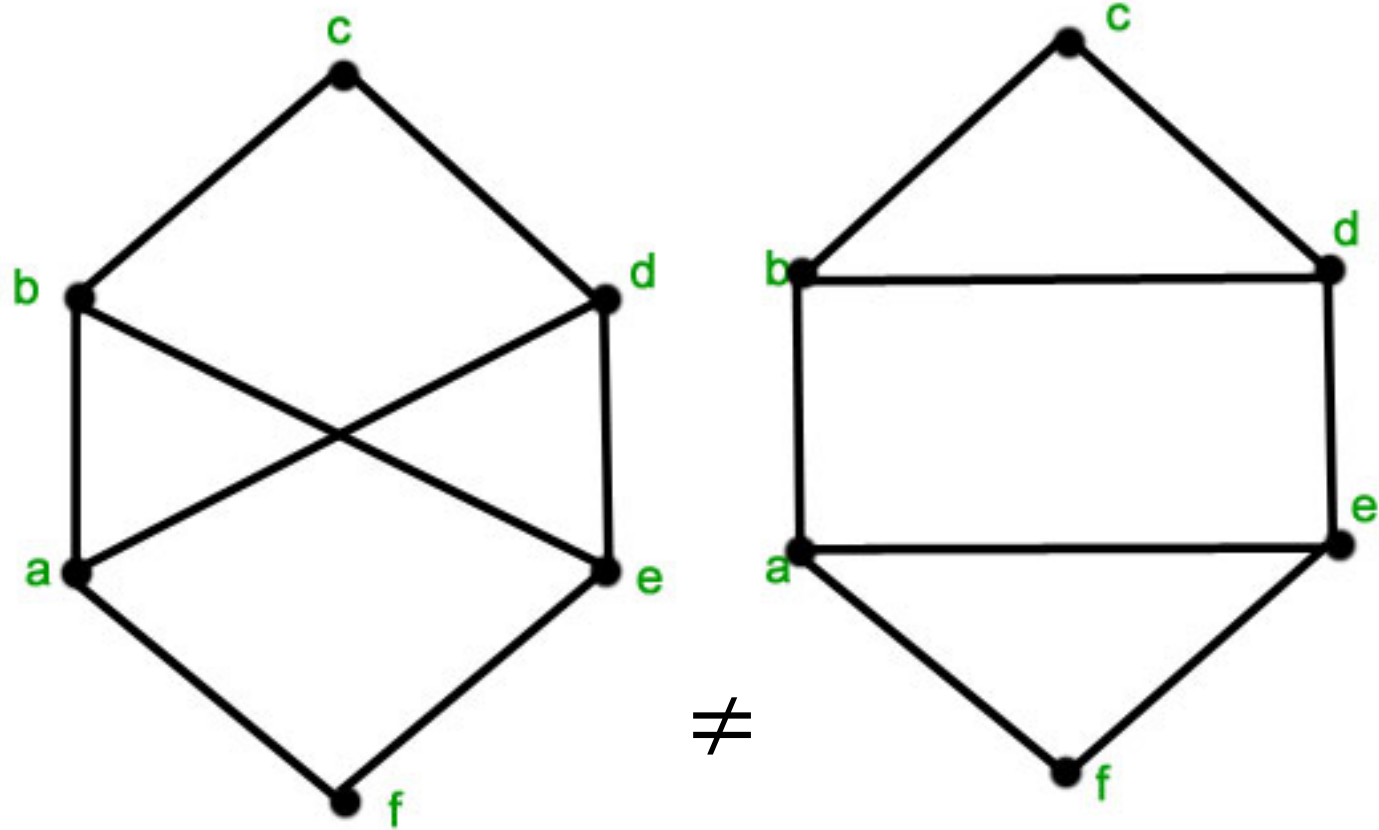


# Graph Isomorphism



**Theorem:** Graph Isomorphism is in NP

Are these two graphs isomorphic?



Can you prove it?

Graph Isomorphism is in NP:

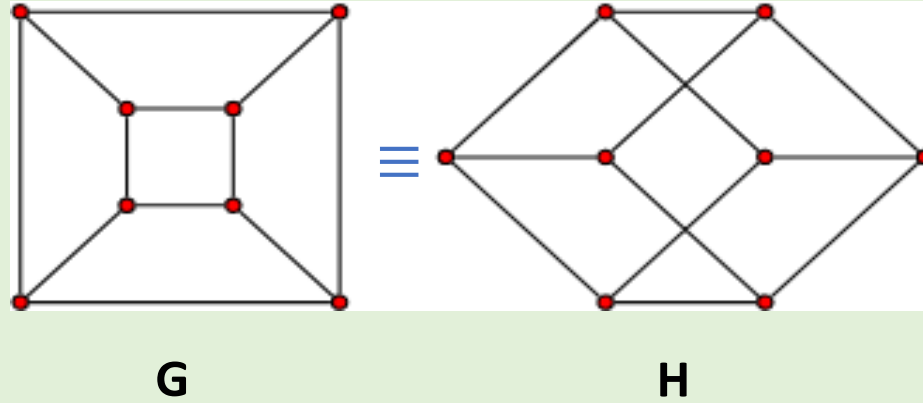
Its easy to prove that  $G \equiv H$

Graph Non-Isomorphism is in coNP

Its not easy to prove to a verifier that  $G \not\equiv H$

# Graph Isomorphism: NP Proof

To Prove:



PROVER



PROOF: Bijection  $\pi: V(G) \rightarrow V(H)$

Verifier



Polynomial-time  
computation

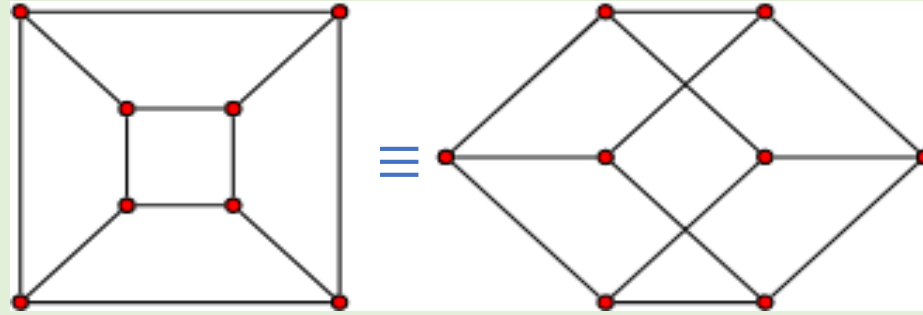


Prover is revealing too much  
information??

ACCEPT  
/REJECT

# Graph Isomorphism: NP Proof

To Prove:



G

H

PROVER



Verifier



# Proving Graph Non-Isomorphism

**To Prove:**      $\text{Graph } G \not\equiv \text{Graph } H$

**PROVER**



**Verifier**



# Proving $\text{Coke} \neq \text{Pepsi}$

PROVER



Pick Coke or Pepsi  
at random

Verifier



It is Coke/Pepsi!

## True things can be proved

If  $\text{Coke} \neq \text{Pepsi}$ , then prover can succeed each round.

## False things can't be proved

If  $\text{Coke} \equiv \text{Pepsi}$ , then prover fails each round with probability  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Repeat  $k$  times, probability of failure  $1 - 1/2^k$

# Proving Graph Non-Isomorphism

**To Prove:**  $\text{Graph } G \not\equiv \text{Graph } H$

**PROVER**



**Verifier**



1. Randomly pick  $G$  or  $H$ , say  $\Gamma = G$  or  $H$  with probability  $\frac{1}{2}$
2. Randomly permute the vertices of graph  $\Gamma$  to get  $\pi(\Gamma)$

send  $\pi(\Gamma)$

Graph  $G$  or  $H$

1. Accept if prover correctly guesses whether  $G$  or  $H$  is used

**False things cannot be proved:**

If  $G \equiv H$ , then  $\pi(\Gamma)$  has the same distribution, whether verifier chose  $G$  or  $H$



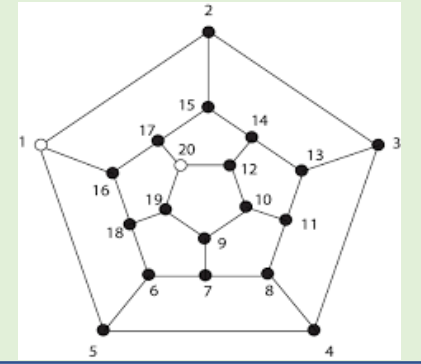
What more can be proved interactively??

**IP = PSPACE!!**

- Formula  $\Phi$  is not satisfiable
- Formula  $\Phi$  has exactly  $k$  satisfying assignments
- There is a winning strategy for Black in Chess

# Sampleable Proofs

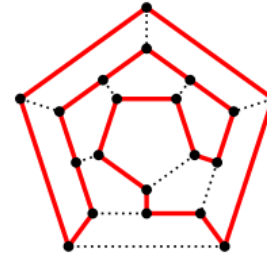
Statement:  
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PROVER



Special PROOF:



Verifier



Samples  
only three  
bits o proof

PCP Theorem: Every NP statement has a sampleable proof

ACCEPT  
/REJECT

# More and more proofs..

- Multi-prover interactive proofs
- Quantum prover/Classical verifier
- Quantum multiprover/classical verifier..
- ... weak verifier

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