

3SAT (3CNF-SAT)

literal: a boolean variable or its negation (a , \bar{a}) ($\neg a$)

clause: a disjunction of one or more literals ($b \vee \bar{c} \vee \bar{d}$)
not

Conjunctive normal form (CNF):

the conjunction (and) of clauses

$$\overbrace{(a \vee b \vee c \vee d)}^{\text{clause}} \wedge (b \vee \bar{c} \vee \bar{d}) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee c \vee d) \wedge (a \vee \bar{b})$$

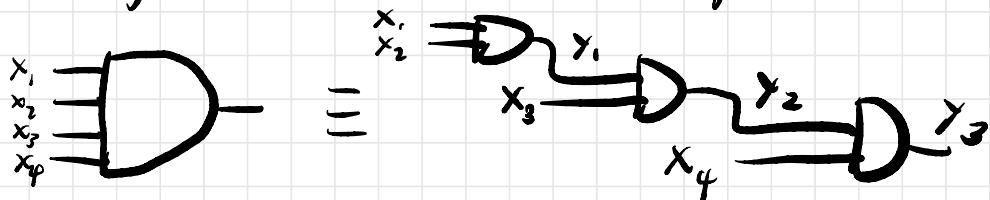
3CNF: CNF formula with exactly three literals per clause

3SAT: Given a 3CNF formula,
is there an assignment to variables
so formula evaluates to True?

Reduction from Circuit SAT:

Given a boolean circuit:

1) Change circuit so all AND &
OR gates have two inputs:



2) $(y_1 = x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee (y_2 = y_1 \wedge x_3) \vee$
 $(y_3 = y_2 \wedge x_4)$

Write an equation for each gate
like in SAT.

3) Change each gate equation into a conjunction of clauses.

$$a = b \wedge c \rightarrow (a \vee \bar{b} \vee \bar{c}) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee b) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee c)$$

$$a = b \vee c \rightarrow (\bar{a} \vee b \vee c) \wedge (a \vee \bar{b}) \wedge (a \vee \bar{c})$$

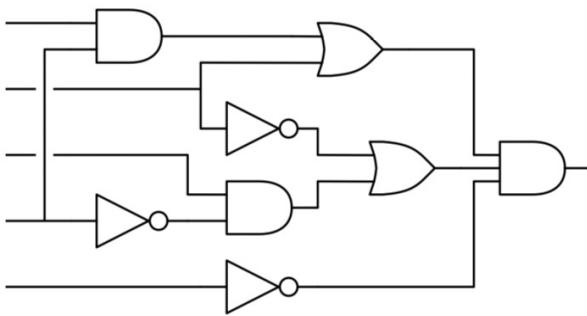
$$a = \bar{b} \rightarrow (a \vee b) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee \bar{b})$$

(now the circuit's formula is in CNF)

4) Change each two or one literal clause into a couple three literal clauses.

$$a \vee b \rightarrow (a \vee b \vee x) \wedge (a \vee b \vee \bar{x})$$

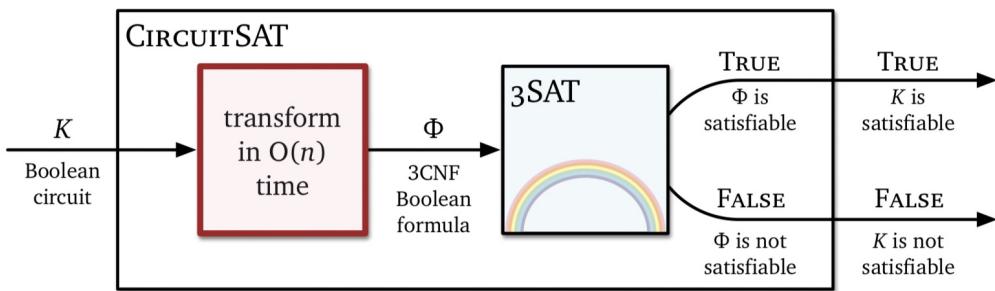
$$a \rightarrow (a \vee x \vee y) \wedge (a \vee \bar{x} \vee y) \wedge (a \vee x \vee \bar{y}) \wedge (a \vee \bar{x} \vee \bar{y})$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & (y_1 \vee \overline{x_1} \vee \overline{x_4}) \wedge (\overline{y_1} \vee x_1 \vee z_1) \wedge (\overline{y_1} \vee x_1 \vee \overline{z_1}) \wedge (\overline{y_1} \vee x_4 \vee z_2) \wedge (\overline{y_1} \vee x_4 \vee \overline{z_2}) \\
 & \wedge (y_2 \vee x_4 \vee z_3) \wedge (y_2 \vee x_4 \vee \overline{z_3}) \wedge (\overline{y_2} \vee \overline{x_4} \vee z_4) \wedge (\overline{y_2} \vee \overline{x_4} \vee \overline{z_4}) \\
 & \wedge (y_3 \vee \overline{x_3} \vee \overline{y_2}) \wedge (\overline{y_3} \vee x_3 \vee z_5) \wedge (\overline{y_3} \vee x_3 \vee \overline{z_5}) \wedge (\overline{y_3} \vee y_2 \vee z_6) \wedge (\overline{y_3} \vee y_2 \vee \overline{z_6}) \\
 & \wedge (\overline{y_4} \vee y_1 \vee x_2) \wedge (y_4 \vee \overline{x_2} \vee z_7) \wedge (y_4 \vee \overline{x_2} \vee \overline{z_7}) \wedge (y_4 \vee \overline{y_1} \vee z_8) \wedge (y_4 \vee \overline{y_1} \vee \overline{z_8}) \\
 & \wedge (y_5 \vee x_2 \vee z_9) \wedge (y_5 \vee x_2 \vee \overline{z_9}) \wedge (\overline{y_5} \vee \overline{x_2} \vee z_{10}) \wedge (\overline{y_5} \vee \overline{x_2} \vee \overline{z_{10}}) \\
 & \wedge (y_6 \vee x_5 \vee z_{11}) \wedge (y_6 \vee x_5 \vee \overline{z_{11}}) \wedge (\overline{y_6} \vee \overline{x_5} \vee z_{12}) \wedge (\overline{y_6} \vee \overline{x_5} \vee \overline{z_{12}}) \\
 & \wedge (\overline{y_7} \vee y_3 \vee y_5) \wedge (y_7 \vee \overline{y_3} \vee z_{13}) \wedge (y_7 \vee \overline{y_3} \vee \overline{z_{13}}) \wedge (y_7 \vee \overline{y_5} \vee z_{14}) \wedge (y_7 \vee \overline{y_5} \vee \overline{z_{14}}) \\
 & \wedge (y_8 \vee \overline{y_4} \vee \overline{y_7}) \wedge (\overline{y_8} \vee y_4 \vee z_{15}) \wedge (\overline{y_8} \vee y_4 \vee \overline{z_{15}}) \wedge (\overline{y_8} \vee y_7 \vee z_{16}) \wedge (\overline{y_8} \vee y_7 \vee \overline{z_{16}}) \\
 & \wedge (y_9 \vee \overline{y_8} \vee \overline{y_6}) \wedge (\overline{y_9} \vee y_8 \vee z_{17}) \wedge (\overline{y_9} \vee y_6 \vee z_{18}) \wedge (\overline{y_9} \vee y_6 \vee \overline{z_{18}}) \wedge (\overline{y_9} \vee y_8 \vee \overline{z_{17}}) \\
 & \wedge (y_9 \vee z_{19} \vee z_{20}) \wedge (y_9 \vee \overline{z_{19}} \vee z_{20}) \wedge (y_9 \vee z_{19} \vee \overline{z_{20}}) \wedge (y_9 \vee \overline{z_{19}} \vee \overline{z_{20}})
 \end{aligned}$$

(circuit to formula example)

gross but linear time!



So 3SAT is NP-hard.

3SAT \in NP. (Proof \downarrow , is how is set
variables.)

\Rightarrow 3SAT is NP-complete.

Given simple, unweighted graph

$$G = (V, E)$$

Independent set: $S \subseteq V$, No pair $u, v \in S$ share an edge.

Maximum Independent Set (Max Ind Set)

Find largest ind. set in G .

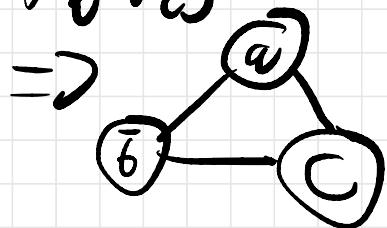
Max Ind Set is NP-hard!
(from 3SAT)

Given 3CNF formula Φ ,

$k \leftarrow$ number of clauses in Φ

Make a graph G with $3k$ vertices, one for each literal of Φ (one per literal-clause pair)

Any two literals in same clause share an edge. Call these "triangle" edges. (a \vee b \vee c)
 \Rightarrow

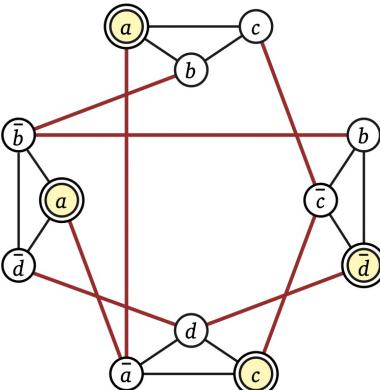


Any pair of literals

$a + \bar{a}$ share a "negation" edge.



a
b
c
 \bar{d}



$$(a \vee b \vee c) \wedge (b \vee \bar{c} \vee \bar{d}) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee c \vee d) \wedge (a \vee \bar{b} \vee \bar{d})$$

Claim: G contains an ind. set of size k iff Φ is sat.

Proof:

Suppose Φ is sat. Fix a sat. assignment. Each clause has ≥ 1 true literal. Take the corresponding vertex of one true literal in each clause to make a set $S \subseteq V$. No triangle edge has both end points in S . No negation edge^{either} (one at a or \bar{a}) is false.

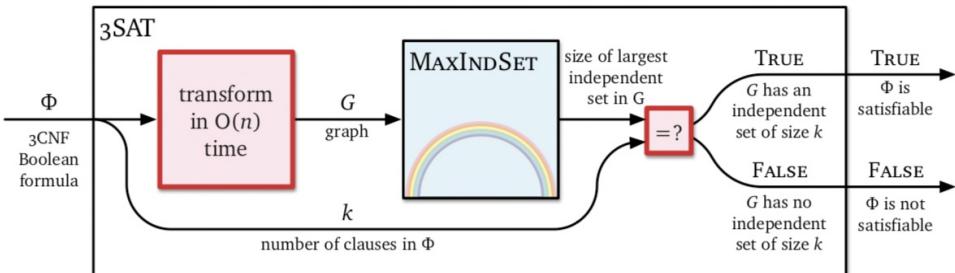
S is an ind. set of size k !

Suppose \exists ind. set S of size k . Use any assignment that makes S 's literals True.

Triangle edges limit S to one literal per clause \Rightarrow it must use exactly one literal per clause.

Negation edges guarantee at most one of a or \bar{a} need be set to True.

→ We sat. every clause!



We reduced known NP-hard problem 3SAT to MaxIndSet in poly time \Rightarrow MaxIndSet is NP-hard.

This was the optimization version of the problem MaxIndSet.

The decision version: Given G & an integer k , is there an independent set of size k ? Still hard, but now in NP \Rightarrow NP-complete.

The General Pattern:

To prove B is NP-hard, take known NP-hard problem A & reduce A to B.

- 1) Show a poly time algorithm to reduce a arbitrary instance a of A to a special instance b of B,
- 2) Prove that if a is "good" then b is "good".
- 3) Prove that if b is "good" then a is "good".

May help to imagine each stage as an algorithm!

The "proofs" are often called certificates.

- 1) The algorithm to turn a into b.
- 2) Alg to turn a certificate for a into one for b.
- 3) Alg to turn a certificate for b into a certificate for a.

Still have $G = (V, E)$.

clique: a complete subgraph

Max Clique: Find the largest clique in G .

Vertex cover: a subset of vertices touching every edge at least once

Min Vertex Cover: Find a smallest vertex cover.

Both are NP-hard!

Max Clique from Max Ind Set.

Given G for which we want an ind. set.

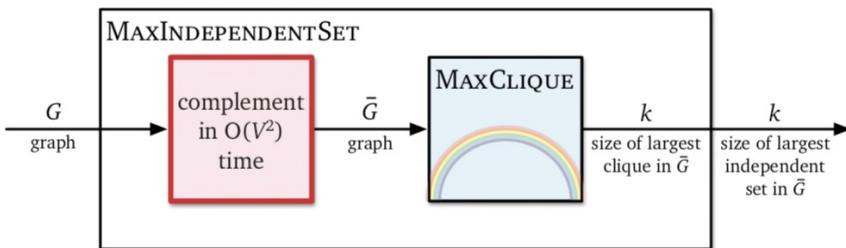
edge-complement: \bar{G} of G :

opposite set of edges

e in \bar{G} iff e not in G .

$S \subseteq V$ is independent in G

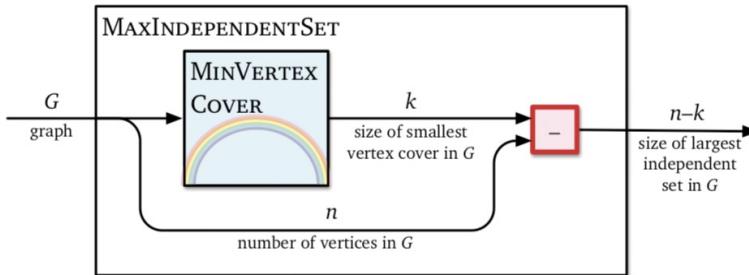
if S is a clique in \bar{G} .



Min Vertex Cover from Max Ind Set:

Obs: $S \subseteq V$ is independent

If $V \setminus S$ is a vertex cover.



Decision Versions (given G & k , is there a of size k ?) are NP-hard also.

And in NP

\Rightarrow NP-complete.