

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

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

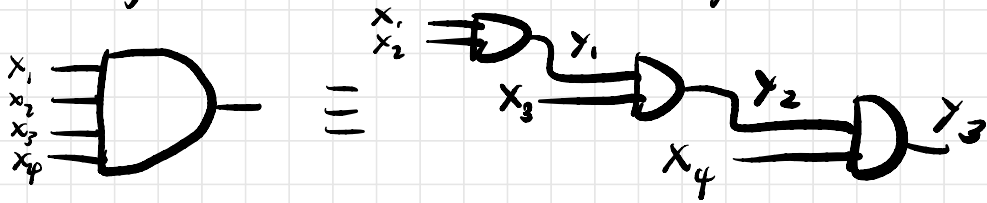
3CNF: CNF formula with exactly three literals per clause

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:



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

$$(y_3 = y_2 \wedge x_4)$$

Write an equation for each gate
like in SAT.

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

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

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

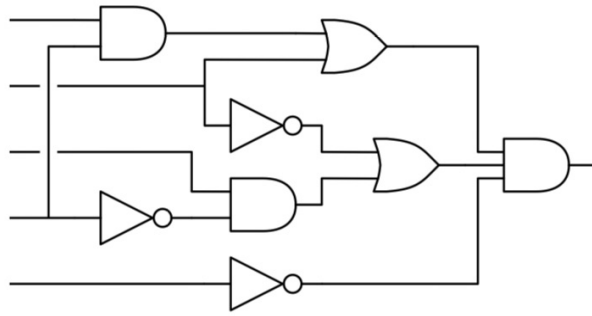
$$a = \bar{b} \mapsto (a \vee b) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee \bar{b})$$

(now the circuit's formula is in CNF)

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

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

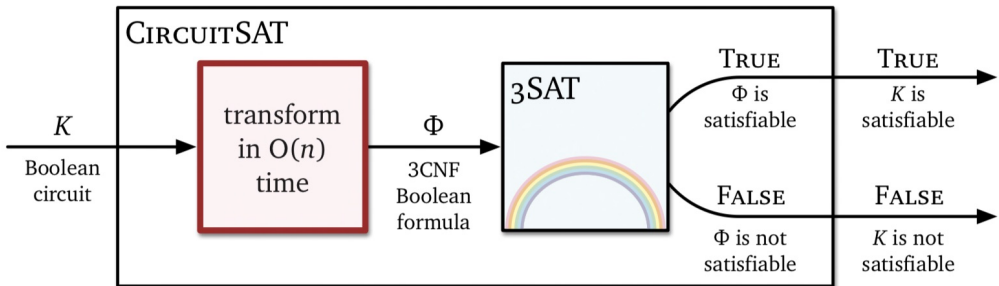
$$a \mapsto (a \vee x \vee y) \wedge (a \vee \bar{x} \vee y) \wedge (a \vee x \vee \bar{y}) \wedge (a \vee \bar{x} \vee \bar{y})$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & (y_1 \vee \bar{x}_1 \vee \bar{x}_4) \wedge (\bar{y}_1 \vee x_1 \vee z_1) \wedge (\bar{y}_1 \vee x_1 \vee \bar{z}_1) \wedge (\bar{y}_1 \vee x_4 \vee z_2) \wedge (\bar{y}_1 \vee x_4 \vee \bar{z}_2) \\
 & \quad \wedge (y_2 \vee x_4 \vee z_3) \wedge (y_2 \vee x_4 \vee \bar{z}_3) \wedge (\bar{y}_2 \vee \bar{x}_4 \vee z_4) \wedge (\bar{y}_2 \vee \bar{x}_4 \vee \bar{z}_4) \\
 & \wedge (y_3 \vee \bar{x}_3 \vee \bar{y}_2) \wedge (\bar{y}_3 \vee x_3 \vee z_5) \wedge (\bar{y}_3 \vee x_3 \vee \bar{z}_5) \wedge (\bar{y}_3 \vee y_2 \vee z_6) \wedge (\bar{y}_3 \vee y_2 \vee \bar{z}_6) \\
 & \wedge (\bar{y}_4 \vee y_1 \vee x_2) \wedge (y_4 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee z_7) \wedge (y_4 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee \bar{z}_7) \wedge (y_4 \vee \bar{y}_1 \vee z_8) \wedge (y_4 \vee \bar{y}_1 \vee \bar{z}_8) \\
 & \quad \wedge (y_5 \vee x_2 \vee z_9) \wedge (y_5 \vee x_2 \vee \bar{z}_9) \wedge (\bar{y}_5 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee z_{10}) \wedge (\bar{y}_5 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee \bar{z}_{10}) \\
 & \quad \wedge (y_6 \vee x_5 \vee z_{11}) \wedge (y_6 \vee x_5 \vee \bar{z}_{11}) \wedge (\bar{y}_6 \vee \bar{x}_5 \vee z_{12}) \wedge (\bar{y}_6 \vee \bar{x}_5 \vee \bar{z}_{12}) \\
 & \wedge (\bar{y}_7 \vee y_3 \vee y_5) \wedge (y_7 \vee \bar{y}_3 \vee z_{13}) \wedge (y_7 \vee \bar{y}_3 \vee \bar{z}_{13}) \wedge (y_7 \vee \bar{y}_5 \vee z_{14}) \wedge (y_7 \vee \bar{y}_5 \vee \bar{z}_{14}) \\
 & \wedge (y_8 \vee \bar{y}_4 \vee \bar{y}_7) \wedge (\bar{y}_8 \vee y_4 \vee z_{15}) \wedge (\bar{y}_8 \vee y_4 \vee \bar{z}_{15}) \wedge (\bar{y}_8 \vee y_7 \vee z_{16}) \wedge (\bar{y}_8 \vee y_7 \vee \bar{z}_{16}) \\
 & \wedge (y_9 \vee \bar{y}_8 \vee \bar{y}_6) \wedge (\bar{y}_9 \vee y_8 \vee z_{17}) \wedge (\bar{y}_9 \vee y_8 \vee \bar{z}_{17}) \wedge (\bar{y}_9 \vee y_6 \vee z_{18}) \wedge (\bar{y}_9 \vee y_6 \vee \bar{z}_{18}) \\
 & \quad \wedge (y_9 \vee z_{19} \vee z_{20}) \wedge (y_9 \vee \bar{z}_{19} \vee z_{20}) \wedge (y_9 \vee z_{19} \vee \bar{z}_{20}) \wedge (y_9 \vee \bar{z}_{19} \vee \bar{z}_{20})
 \end{aligned}$$

(circuit to formula example)

gross but linear time!



So 3SAT is NP-hard.

3SAT \in NP. (Proof ^{set} is how is set ^{Yes answer} 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!

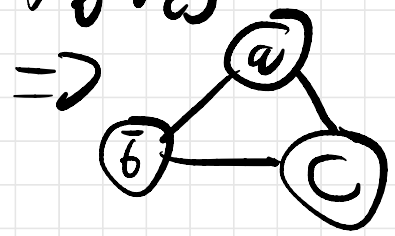
(from 3SAT)

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)

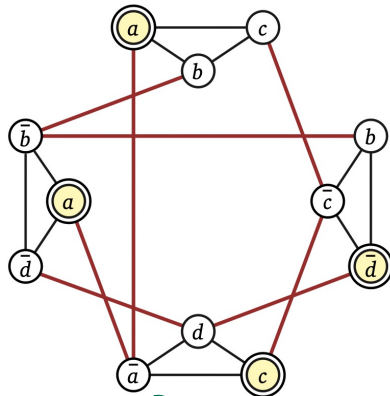
Any two literals in same clause share an edge. Call these "triangle" edges. $(a \vee \bar{b} \vee c)$



Any pair of literals a & \bar{a} share a "negation" edge.



a
b
c
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 endpoints in S . No negation edge^{either} (one at a is or \bar{a} false)

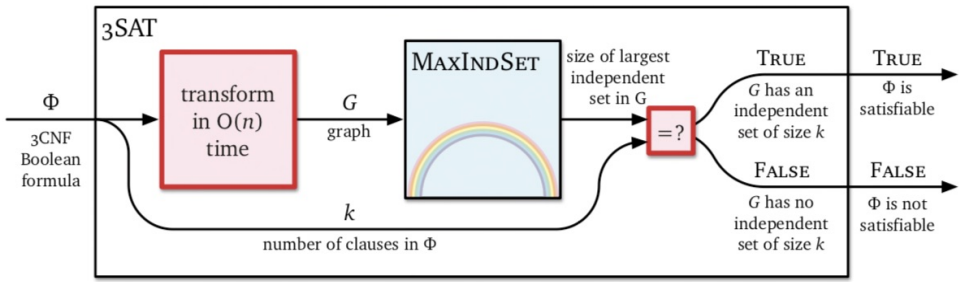
S is an ind. set of size k !

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.

\swarrow 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.

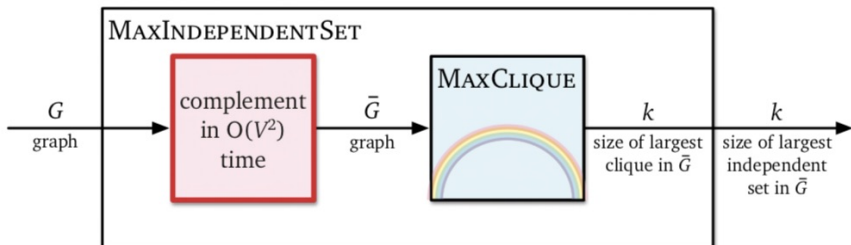
Given G for which we want an ind. set.

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

opposite set of edges

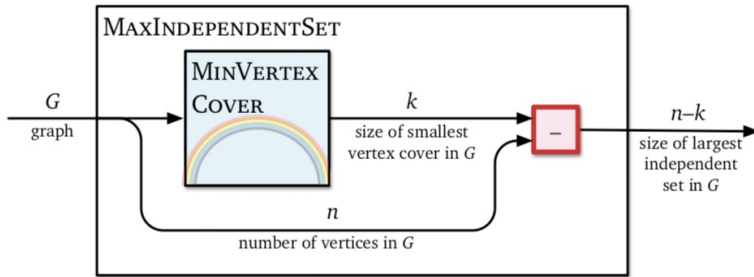
e in \bar{G} iff e not in G .

$S \subseteq V$ is independent in G
iff S is a clique in \bar{G} .



Min Vertex Cover from Max Ind Set:

Obs: $S \subseteq V$ is independent
iff $V \setminus S$ 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.