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# SAT formula

AND / conjunction of clauses

↳ OR / disjunction of literals

E.g.  $(X_1 \vee \bar{X}_2) \wedge (\bar{X}_1 \vee \bar{X}_3) \wedge (X_2 \vee \bar{X}_3)$

Annotations:   
 - Arrow from  $(X_1 \vee \bar{X}_2)$  to  $(X_2 \vee \bar{X}_3)$  labeled "OR"   
 - Arrow from  $(\bar{X}_1 \vee \bar{X}_3)$  to  $(X_2 \vee \bar{X}_3)$  labeled "AND"   
 - Arrow from the whole expression to  $(\Phi)$    
 - Arrow from  $(\Phi)$  to  $X_i, \bar{X}_i$

generally:  $C_1 \wedge C_2 \wedge \dots \wedge C_m$  ← m clauses

$\equiv C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m$   $X = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$    
 ← set of variables

Clause: OR of literals:  $t_1 \vee t_2 \vee \dots \vee t_k$    
 each  $t_i \in \{X_1, \dots, X_n, \bar{X}_1, \dots, \bar{X}_n\}$

Assignment:  $v: X \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$   $n=3$

# assignments =  $2^n$  ← 2 choices for each  $X_i$

$X_1 = 0$	1	0	$\left. \begin{matrix} \{F, T\} \\ \{0, 1\} \end{matrix} \right\} \rightarrow$
$X_2 = 0$	1	0	
$X_3 = 0$	1	1	

An assignment  $v$  satisfies a SAT formula  $\Phi$ , if  $\Phi$  evaluates to true on the assignment   
  $\equiv$  assignment satisfies ALL clauses

Ex:  $(0, 0, 0)$    
 $X_1 \vee \bar{X}_2 = 0 \vee \bar{0} = 0 \vee 1 = 1$    
 $\bar{X}_1 \vee \bar{X}_3 = \bar{0} \vee \bar{0} = 1 \vee 1 = 1$    
 $X_2 \vee \bar{X}_3 = 0 \vee \bar{0} = 0 \vee 1 = 1$    
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Q: Given a SAT formula  $\Phi$ ,  $\exists$  exist a satisfying assignment to  $\Phi$ ?

$\leftarrow$  Is  $\Phi$  satisfiable?

3-SAT formula! A SAT formula  $\Phi = C_1 \dots C_m$   
s.t. each clause  $C_i$  has EXACTLY 3 literals.

3-SAT problem

Input: 3-SAT formula  $\Phi$

Output: True/1 if  $\Phi$  is satisfiable?

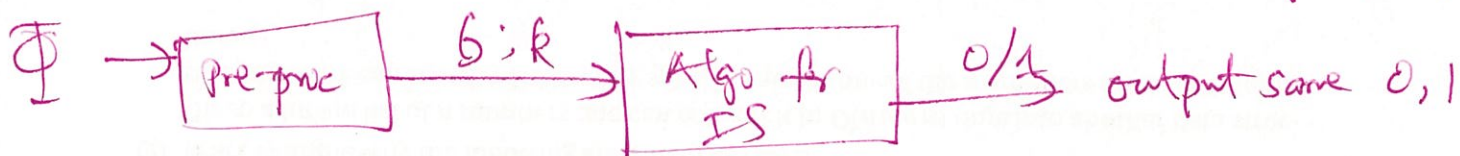
Trivial algo: Try out all  $2^n$  possible assignments  
& check if any of them satisfy  $\Phi$  ( $O(m \cdot 2^n)$ )

Many hardness reduction: 3-SAT  $\leq_p$  your problems

Thm: 3-SAT  $\leq_p$  IS  $\rightarrow$  Input:  $G; k$   
output: 1/True if  $G$  has an IS of size  $\geq k$ .

We'll show: Given any 3-SAT formula  $\Phi$   $\xrightarrow{\text{in poly time}}$   $G; k$

s.t.  $\Phi$  is satisfiable  $\iff G$  has IS of size  $\geq k$ .



Reduction idea: Use a "gadget"

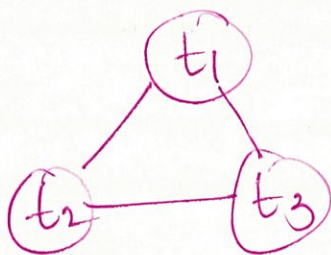
2 equiv. ways of looking at 3-SAT

→ Make 0/1 choices for  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  s.t. it satisfies  $\geq 1$  literal in each clause.

→ Pick one literal from each clause s.t.

you do NOT pick two literals that conflict ( $x_i, \bar{x}_i$  for some  $i$ )

Gadget:  $C = t_1 \vee t_2 \vee t_3$



Only IS are  $\{t_1\}, \{t_2\}, \{t_3\}$

Idea: Each choice of an

IS in this gadget

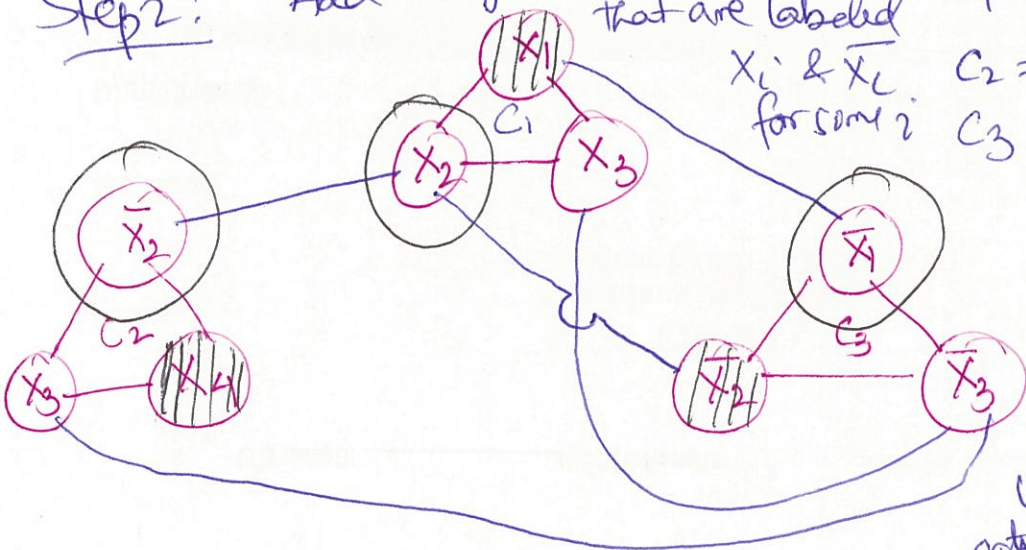
$\equiv$  picking a literal from  $C$ .

Redux: Given  $\Phi = C_1, \dots, C_m$

3-SAT  $\rightarrow$   $(G, m)$   
 $\Phi$  is satisfiable  $\iff G$  has an IS of size  $\geq m$

Step 1: Replace each clause  $C_i$  by its triangle n=4

Step 2: Add edges between nodes that are labeled  $x_i$  &  $\bar{x}_i$  for some  $i$ .



$$C_1 = x_1 \vee x_2 \vee x_3 \checkmark$$

$$C_2 = \bar{x}_2 \vee x_3 \vee x_4 \checkmark$$

$$C_3 = \bar{x}_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee \bar{x}_3 \checkmark$$

Pick one vertex/triangle

$\rightarrow$  all IS of size 3.

$$IS = \{x_1, x_4, \bar{x}_2\}$$

$\hookrightarrow$  satisfy  $(1, 0, ?, 1)$

THM:  $\Phi$  is satisfiable  $\Leftrightarrow G$  (as constructed above) has IS of size  $\geq m$ .