Computer Science & Engineering 423/823 Design and Analysis of Algorithms Lecture 10 — NP-Completeness (Chapter 34)

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Introduction

- So far, we have focused on problems with "efficient" algorithms
- I.e., problems with algorithms that run in polynomial time: $O(n^c)$ for some constant $c \ge 1$
 - Side note 1: We call it efficient even if c is large, since it is likely that another, even more efficient, algorithm exists
 - ► Side note 2: Need to be careful to speak of polynomial in **size** of the input, e.g., size of a single integer k is $\log k$, so time linear in k is exponential in size (number of bits) of
- ▶ But, for some problems, the fastest known algorithms require time that is superpolynomial
 - Includes sub-exponential time (e.g., 2^{n¹/3}), exponential time (e.g., 2ⁿ), doubly exponential time (e.g., 2^{2n¹}), etc.
 - There are even problems that cannot be solved in any amount of time (e.g., the "halting problem")
- We will focus on lower bounds again, but this time we'll use them to argue that some problems probably don't have any efficient solution

P vs. NP

- ▶ Our focus will be on the complexity classes called P and
- Centers on the notion of a Turing machine (TM), which is a finite state machine with an infinitely long tape for storage
 - Anything a computer can do, a TM can do, and vice-versa
 - ▶ More on this in CSCE 428/828 and CSCE 424/824
- ▶ P = "deterministic polynomial time" = set of problems that can be solved by a deterministic TM (deterministic algorithm) in poly time
- ▶ NP = "nondeterministic polynomial time" = the set of problems that can be solved by a **nondeterministic TM** in polynomial time
 - Can loosely think of a nondeterministic TM as one that can explore many, many possible paths of computation at once
 - Equivalently, NP is the set of problems whose solutions, if given, can be verified in polynomial time



Notes and Questions



P vs. NP Example

- ▶ Problem HAM-CYCLE: Does a graph G = (V, E) contain a hamiltonian cycle, i.e., a simple cycle that visits every vertex in V exactly once?
 - ▶ This problem is in NP, since if we were given a specific G plus the yes/no answer to the question plus a certificate, we can verify a "yes" answer in polynomial time using the certificate
 - Not worried about verifying a "no" answer
 - What would be an appropriate certificate?
 - Not known if HAM-CYCLE ∈ P

P vs. NP Example (2)

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- Problem EULER: Does a directed graph G = (V, E) contain an Euler tour, i.e., a cycle that visits every edge in E exactly once and can visit vertices multiple times?
 - ► This problem is in P, since we can answer the question in polynomial time by checking if each vertex's in-degree equals its out-degree
 - ▶ Does that mean that the problem is also in NP? If so, what is the certificate?

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NP-Completeness

- Any problem in P is also in NP, since if we can efficiently solve the problem, we get the poly-time verification for free
 ⇒ P ⊂ NP
- ▶ Not known if $P \subset NP$, i.e., unknown if there exists a problem in NP that's not in P
- A subset of the problems in NP is the set of NP-complete (NPC) problems
 - Every problem in NPC is at least as hard as all others in NP
 - ► These problems are believed to be intractable (no efficient algorithm), but not yet proven to be so
 - If any NPC problem is in P, then P = NP and life is glorious and a little bit scary (e.g., RSA public key algorithm would break)

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Proving NP-Completeness

- Thus, if we prove that a problem is NPC, we can tell our boss that we cannot find an efficient algorithm and should take a different approach
 - ► E.g., approximation algorithm, heuristic approach
- ▶ How do we prove that a problem *B* is NPC?
 - 1. Prove that $B \in NP$ by identifying certificate that can be used to verify a "yes" answer in polynomial time
 - ► Typically, use the obvious choice of what causes the "yes" (e.g., the hamiltonian cycle itself, given as a list of vertices)
 - Need to argue that verification requires polynomial time
 - ▶ The certificate is **not** merely the instance, unless $B \in P$
 - Show that B is as hard as any other NP problem by showing that if we can efficiently solve B then we can efficiently solve all problems in NP
- First step is usually easy, but second looks difficult
- Fortunately, part of the work has been done for us ...

Reductions

Notes and Questions

- We will use the idea of an efficient reduction of one problem to another to prove how hard the latter one is
- ▶ A reduction takes an instance of one problem A and transforms it to an instance of another problem B in such a way that a solution to the instance of B yields a solution to the instance of A
- Example: How did we prove lower bounds on convex hull and BST problems?
- ➤ Time complexity of reduction-based algorithm for A is the time for the reduction to B plus the time to solve the instance of B



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Decision Problems

- Before we go further into reductions, we simplify our lives by focusing on decision problems
- In a decision problem, the only output of an algorithm is an answer "yes" or "no"
- I.e., we're not asked for a shortest path or a hamiltonian cycle, etc.
- Not as restrictive as it may seem: Rather than asking for the weight of a shortest path from i to j, just ask if there exists a path from i to j with weight at most k
- Such decision versions of optimization problems are no harder than the original optimization problem, so if we show the decision version is hard, then so is the optimization version
- Decision versions are especially convenient when thinking in terms of languages and the Turing machines that accept/reject them

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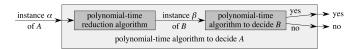
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Reductions (2)

- What is a reduction in the NPC sense?
- Start with two problems A and B, and we want to show that problem B is at least as hard as A
- Will reduce A to B via a polynomial-time reduction by transforming any instance α of A to some instance β of B such that
 - The transformation must take polynomial time (since we're talking about hardness in the sense of efficient vs. inefficient algorithms)
 - 2. The answer for α is "yes" if and only if the answer for β is "yes"
- If such a reduction exists, then B is at least as hard as A since if an efficient algorithm exists for B, we can solve any instance of A in polynomial time
- Notation: A ≤p B, which reads as "A is no harder to solve than B, modulo polynomial time reductions"

Reductions (3)

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- Same as reduction for convex hull (yielding CHSort), but no need to transform solution to B to solution to A
- As with convex hull, reduction's time complexity must be strictly less than the lower bound we are proving for B's algorithm

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Reductions (4)

But if we want to prove that a problem B is NPC, do we have to reduce to it every problem in NP?

- ▶ No we don't:
 - ► If another problem A is known to be NPC, then we know that any problem in NP reduces to it
 - ► If we reduce A to B, then any problem in NP can reduce to B via its reduction to A followed by A's reduction to B
 - We then can call B an NP-hard problem, which is NPC if it is also in NP
 - Still need our first NPC problem to use as a basis for our reductions

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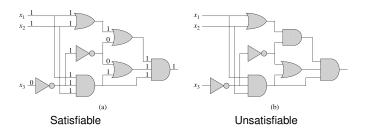
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CIRCUIT-SAT

- Our first NPC problem: CIRCUIT-SAT
- An instance is a boolean combinational circuit (no feedback, no memory)
- Question: Is there a satisfying assignment, i.e., an assignment of inputs to the circuit that satisfies it (makes its output 1)?

CIRCUIT-SAT (2)

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CIRCUIT-SAT (3)

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- ▶ To prove CIRCUIT-SAT to be NPC, need to show:
 - CIRCUIT-SAT ∈ NP; what is its certificate that we can use to confirm a "yes" in polynomial time?
 - 2. That any problem in NP reduces to CIRCUIT-SAT
- We'll skip the NP-hardness proof for #2, save to say that it leverages the existence of an algorithm that verifies certificates for some NP problem

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Other NPC Problems

- We'll use the fact that CIRCUIT-SAT is NPC to prove that these other problems are as well:
 - SAT: Does boolean formula ϕ have a satisfying assignment?
 - ▶ 3-CNF-SAT: Does 3-CNF formula ϕ have a satisfying assignment?
 - CLIQUE: Does graph G have a clique (complete subgraph) of k vertices?
 - VERTEX-COVER: Does graph G have a vertex cover (set of vertices that touches all edges) of k vertices?
 - ► HAM-CYCLE: Does graph G have a hamiltonian cycle?
 - ► TSP: Does complete, weighted graph G have a hamiltonian cycle of total weight ≤ k?
 - ► SUBSET-SUM: Is there a subset S' of finite set S of integers that sum to exactly a specific target value t?
- Many more in Garey & Johnson's book, with proofs

Other NPC Problems (2)

CIRCUIT-SAT SAT 3-CNF-SAT VERTEX-COVER HAM-CYCLE TSP (Note different types of problems reducing to each other)

Notes and Questions

How to Prove a Problem B is NP-Complete

Important to follow every one of these steps!

- 1. Prove that the problem *B* is in NP
 - 1.1 Describe a certificate that can verify a "yes" answer
 - Often, the certificate is simple and obvious (but not merely the instance)

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- 1.2 Describe how the certificate is verified
- 1.3 Argue that the verification takes polynomial time
- 2. Prove that the problem B is NP-hard
 - 2.1 Take any other NP-complete problem A and reduce it to B
 - Your reduction must transform any instance of A to some instance of B
 - 2.2 Prove that the reduction takes polynomial time
 - ► The reduction is an algorithm, so analyze it like any other
 - 2.3 Prove that the reduction is valid
 - ▶ I.e., the answer is "yes" for the instance of A if and only if the answer is "yes" for the instance of B
 - ► Must argue both directions: "if" and "only if"
 - Constructive proofs work well here, e.g., "Assume the instance of VERTEX-COVER (problem A) has a vertex cover of size ≤ k. We will now construct from that a hamiltonian cycle in problem B."

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NPC Problem: Formula Satisfiability (SAT)

- ▶ Given: A boolean formula ϕ consisting of
 - 1. n boolean variables x_1, \ldots, x_n
 - 2. m boolean connectives from \land , \lor , \neg , \rightarrow , and \leftrightarrow
 - 3. Parentheses
- ▶ Question: Is there an assignment of boolean values to x_1, \ldots, x_n to make ϕ evaluate to 1?
- ▶ E.g.: $\phi = ((x_1 \rightarrow x_2) \lor \neg((\neg x_1 \leftrightarrow x_3) \lor x_4)) \land \neg x_2$ has satisfying assignment $x_1 = 0$, $x_2 = 0$, $x_3 = 1$, $x_4 = 1$ since

$$\phi = ((0 \rightarrow 0) \lor \neg((\neg 0 \leftrightarrow 1) \lor 1)) \land \neg 0$$

$$= (1 \lor \neg((1 \leftrightarrow 1) \lor 1)) \land 1$$

$$= (1 \lor \neg(1 \lor 1)) \land 1$$

$$= (1 \lor 0) \land 1$$

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- SAT is in NP: φ's satisfying assignment certifies that the answer is "yes" and this can be easily checked in poly time by assigning the values to the variables and evaluating
- ▶ SAT is NP-hard: Will show CIRCUIT-SAT \leq_P SAT by reducing from CIRCUIT-SAT to SAT
- ▶ In reduction, need to map **any** instance (circuit) C of CIRCUIT-SAT to **some** instance (formula) ϕ of SAT such that C has a satisfying assignment if and only if ϕ does
- Further, the time to do the mapping must be polynomial in the size of the circuit (number of gates and wires), implying that φ's representation must be polynomially sized

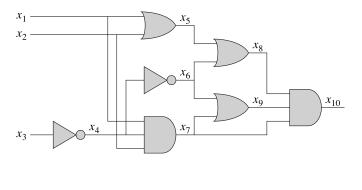
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SAT is NPC (2)

Define a variable in ϕ for each wire in C:



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SAT is NPC (3)

\blacktriangleright Then define a clause of ϕ for each gate that defines the function for that gate:

$$\phi = x_{10} \quad \wedge \quad (x_4 \leftrightarrow \neg x_3)$$

$$\wedge \quad (x_5 \leftrightarrow (x_1 \lor x_2))$$

$$\wedge \quad (x_6 \leftrightarrow \neg x_4)$$

$$\wedge \quad (x_7 \leftrightarrow (x_1 \land x_2 \land x_4))$$

$$\wedge \quad (x_8 \leftrightarrow (x_5 \lor x_6))$$

$$\wedge \quad (x_9 \leftrightarrow (x_6 \lor x_7))$$

$$\wedge \quad (x_{10} \leftrightarrow (x_7 \land x_8 \land x_9))$$

SAT is NPC (4)

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- Size of \(\phi \) is polynomial in size of \(C \) (number of gates and wires)
- ⇒ If C has a satisfying assignment, then the final output of the circuit is 1 and the value on each internal wire matches the output of the gate that feeds it
 - ▶ Thus, ϕ evaluates to 1
- $\Leftarrow \quad \text{If } \phi \text{ has a satisfying assignment, then each of } \phi \text{'s clauses} \\ \text{is satisfied, which means that each of } C \text{'s gate's output} \\ \text{matches its function applied to its inputs, and the final} \\ \text{output is 1} \\$
- Since satisfying assignment for C ⇒ satisfying assignment for φ and vice-versa, we get C has a satisfying assignment if and only if φ does

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NPC Problem: 3-CNF Satisfiability (3-CNF-SAT)

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 Given: A boolean formula that is in 3-conjunctive normal form (3-CNF), which is a conjunction of clauses, each a disjunction of 3 literals, e.g.,

$$(x_1 \vee \neg x_1 \vee \neg x_2) \wedge (x_3 \vee x_2 \vee x_4) \wedge (\neg x_1 \vee \neg x_3 \vee \neg x_4) \wedge (x_4 \vee x_5 \vee x_1)$$

▶ Question: Is there an assignment of boolean values to $x_1, ..., x_n$ to make the formula evaluate to 1?

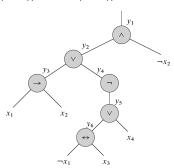
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3-CNF-SAT is NPC

- 3-CNF-SAT is in NP: The satisfying assignment certifies that the answer is "yes" and this can be easily checked in poly time by assigning the values to the variables and evaluating
- ▶ 3-CNF-SAT is NP-hard: Will show SAT \leq_P 3-CNF-SAT
- ▶ Again, need to map **any** instance ϕ of SAT to **some** instance ϕ''' of 3-CNF-SAT
 - 1. Parenthesize ϕ and build its **parse tree**, which can be viewed as a circuit
 - 2. Assign variables to wires in this circuit, as with previous reduction, yielding ϕ' , a conjunction of clauses
 - 3. Use the truth table of each clause ϕ_i' to get its DNF, then convert it to CNF ϕ_i''
 - 4. Add auxillary variables to each ϕ_i'' to get three literals in it, yielding ϕ_i'''
 - 5. Final CNF formula is $\phi''' = \bigwedge_i \phi_i'''$

Building the Parse Tree

$\phi = ((x_1 \rightarrow x_2) \lor \neg ((\neg x_1 \leftrightarrow x_3) \lor x_4)) \land \neg x_2$



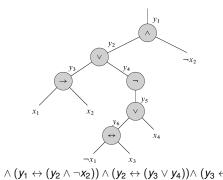
Might need to parenthesize ϕ to put at most two children per node

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Assign Variables to wires



 $\phi' = y_1 \wedge (y_1 \leftrightarrow (y_2 \wedge \neg x_2)) \wedge (y_2 \leftrightarrow (y_3 \vee y_4)) \wedge (y_3 \leftrightarrow (x_1 \rightarrow x_2)) \wedge (y_4 \leftrightarrow \neg y_5) \wedge (y_5 \leftrightarrow (y_6 \vee x_4)) \wedge (y_6 \leftrightarrow (\neg x_1 \leftrightarrow x_3))$

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Convert Each Clause to CNF

- ▶ Consider first clause $\phi'_1 = (y_1 \leftrightarrow (y_2 \land \neg x_2))$
- Truth table:

<i>y</i> ₁	<i>y</i> ₂	<i>X</i> ₂	$(y_1 \leftrightarrow (y_2 \land \neg x_2))$
1	1	1	0
1	1	0	1
1	0	1	0
1	0	0	0
0	1	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	0	1	1
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Can now directly read off DNF of negation:

$$\neg \phi_1' = (y_1 \land y_2 \land x_2) \lor (y_1 \land \neg y_2 \land x_2) \lor (y_1 \land \neg y_2 \land \neg x_2) \lor (\neg y_1 \land y_2 \land \neg x_2)$$

And use DeMorgan's Law to convert it to CNF:

 $\phi_1'' = (\neg y_1 \lor \neg y_2 \lor \neg x_2) \land (\neg y_1 \lor y_2 \lor \neg x_2) \land (\neg y_1 \lor y_2 \lor x_2) \land (y_1 \lor \neg y_2 \lor x_2)$

Add Auxillary Variables

▶ Based on our construction, ϕ is satisfiable iff $\phi'' = \bigwedge_i \phi_i''$ is, where each ϕ_i'' is a CNF formula each with at most three literals per clause

- ▶ But we need to have *exactly* three per clause!
- Simple fix: For each clause C_i of φ",
 - 1. If C_i has three distinct literals, add it as a clause in ϕ'''
 - 2. If $C_i = (\ell_1 \vee \ell_2)$ for distinct literals ℓ_1 and ℓ_2 , then add to ϕ'''
 - $(\ell_1 \vee \ell_2 \vee p) \wedge (\ell_1 \vee \ell_2 \vee \neg p)$ 3. If $C_i = (\ell)$, then add to ϕ''' $(\ell \vee p \vee q) \wedge (\ell \vee p \vee \neg q) \wedge (\ell \vee \neg p \vee q) \wedge (\ell \vee \neg p \vee \neg q)$
- p and q are auxillary variables, and the combinations in which they're added result in an expression that is satisfied if and only if the original clause is

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Proof of Correctness of Reduction

- $\Leftrightarrow \phi$ has a satisfying assignment iff ϕ''' does
 - 1. CIRCUIT-SAT reduction to SAT implies satisfiability preserved from ϕ to ϕ'
 - 2. Use of truth tables and DeMorgan's Law ensures ϕ'' equivalent to ϕ'
 - 3. Addition of auxillary variables ensures ϕ''' is satisfiable iff
- ▶ Constructing ϕ''' from ϕ takes polynomial time
 - 1. ϕ' gets variables from ϕ , plus at most one variable and one clause per operator in ϕ
 - 2. Each clause in ϕ' has at most 3 variables, so each truth table has at most 8 rows, so each clause in ϕ' yields at most 8 clauses in ϕ''
 - 3. Since there are only two auxillary variables, each clause in ϕ'' yields at most 4 in ϕ'''
 - 4. Thus size of ϕ''' is polynomial in size of ϕ , and each step easily done in polynomial time

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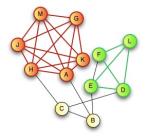
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NPC Problem: Clique Finding (CLIQUE)

- ▶ Given: An undirected graph G = (V, E) and value k
- ▶ Question: Does G contain a clique (complete subgraph) of size k?



Has a clique of size k = 6, but not of size 7

CLIQUE is NPC

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- ► CLIQUE is in NP: A list of vertices in the clique certifies that the answer is "yes" and this can be easily checked in poly time (how?)
- ► CLIQUE is NP-hard: Will show 3-CNF-SAT ≤_P CLIQUE by mapping **any** instance $\langle \phi \rangle$ of 3-CNF-SAT to **some** instance $\langle G, k \rangle$ of CLIQUE
 - ▶ Seems strange to reduce a boolean formula to a graph, but we will show that ϕ has a satisfying assignment iff G has a clique of size k
 - Caveat: the reduction merely preserves the iff relationship; it does not try to directly solve either problem, nor does it assume it knows what the answer is

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The Reduction

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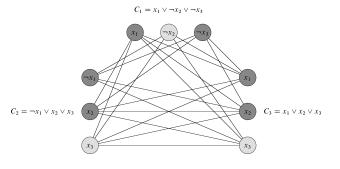
- ▶ Let $\phi = C_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge C_k$ be a 3-CNF formula with k clauses
- ▶ For each clause $C_r = (\ell_1^r \vee \ell_2^r \vee \ell_3^r)$ put vertices v_1^r , v_2^r , and v_3^r into V
- Add edge (v_i^r, v_i^s) to E if:
 - 1. $r \neq s$, i.e., v_i^r and v_j^s are in separate triples 2. ℓ_i^r is not the negation of ℓ_j^s
- Obviously can be done in polynomial time

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The Reduction (2)

$$\phi=(x_1\vee\neg x_2\vee\neg x_3)\wedge(\neg x_1\vee x_2\vee x_3)\wedge(x_1\vee x_2\vee x_3)$$
 Satisfied by $x_2=0,\,x_3=1$



The Reduction (3)

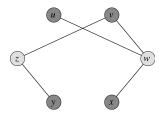
- \Rightarrow If ϕ has a satisfying assignment, then at least one literal in each clause is true
- ▶ Picking corresponding vertex from a true literal from each clause yields a set V' of k vertices, each in a distinct triple
- Since each vertex in V' is in a distinct triple and literals that are negations of each other cannot both be true in a satisfying assignment, there is an edge between each pair of vertices in V'
- V' is a clique of size k
- ← If G has a size-k clique V', can assign 1 to corresponding literal of each vertex in V'
- Each vertex in its own triple, so each clause has a literal set to 1
- Will not try to set both a literal and its negation to 1
- Get a satisfying assignment

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NPC Problem: Vertex Cover Finding (VERTEX-COVER)

- A vertex in a graph is said to cover all edges incident to it
- A vertex cover of a graph is a set of vertices that covers all edges in the graph
- ▶ Given: An undirected graph G = (V, E) and value k
- Question: Does G contain a vertex cover of size k?



Has a vertex cover of size k = 2, but not of size 1

Notes and Questions

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VERTEX-COVER is NPC

- VERTEX-COVER is in NP: A list of vertices in the vertex cover certifies that the answer is "yes" and this can be easily checked in poly time
- ▶ **VERTEX-COVER is NP-hard:** Will show CLIQUE \leq_P VERTEX-COVER by mapping any instance $\langle G, k \rangle$ of CLIQUE to some instance $\langle G', k' \rangle$ of VERTEX-COVER
- ▶ Reduction is simple: Given instance $\langle G = (V, E), k \rangle$ of CLIQUE, instance of VERTEX-COVER is $\langle \overline{G}, |V| k \rangle$, where $\overline{G} = (V, \overline{E})$ is G's **complement**:

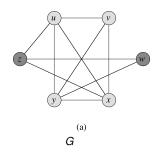
$$\overline{E} = \{(u, v) : u, v \in V, u \neq v, (u, v) \notin E\}$$

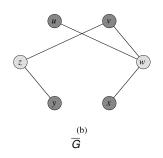
- Easily done in polynomial time
- Again, note that we are **not** solving the CLIQUE instance (G, k), merely transforming it to an instance of VERTEX-COVER

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VERTEX-COVER is NPC (2)

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Proof of Correctness

- \Rightarrow Assume G has a size-k clique $C' \subseteq V$
- ▶ Consider edge $(z, v) \in \overline{E}$
- ▶ If it's in \overline{E} , then $(z, v) \notin E$, so at least one of z and v (which cover (z, v)) is not in C', so at least one of them is in $V \setminus C'$
- ▶ This holds for each edge in \overline{E} , so $V \setminus C'$ is a vertex cover of \overline{G} of size |V| k
- \leftarrow Assume \overline{G} has a size-(|V| k) vertex cover $V' \subseteq V$
- ► For each $(z, v) \in \overline{E}$, at least one of z and v is in V'► I.e., $(z, v) \in \overline{E} \Rightarrow (z \in V') \lor (v \in V')$
- ▶ By contrapositive, $\neg((z \in V') \lor (v \in V')) \Rightarrow (z, v) \notin \overline{E}$ ▶ I.e., if both $u, v \notin V'$, then $(u, v) \in E$
- Since every pair of nodes in $V \setminus V'$ has an edge between them in \overline{G} , $V \setminus V'$ is a clique of size |V| |V'| = k in G

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NPC Problem: Subset Sum (SUBSET-SUM)

- Given: A finite set S of positive integers and a positive integer target t
- ▶ Question: Is there a subset $S' \subseteq S$ whose elements sum to t?
- ▶ E.g., $S = \{1, 2, 7, 14, 49, 98, 343, 686, 2409, 2793, 16808, 17206, 117705, 117993\}$ and t = 138457 has a solution $S' = \{1, 2, 7, 98, 343, 686, 2409, 17206, 117705\}$

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- SUBSET-SUM is in NP: The subset S' certifies that the answer is "yes" and this can be easily checked in poly time (how?)
- ▶ **SUBSET-SUM is NP-hard:** Will show 3-CNF-SAT \leq_{P} SUBSET-SUM by mapping **any** instance ϕ of 3-CNF-SAT to **some** instance $\langle S, t \rangle$ of SUBSET-SUM
- ▶ Make two reasonable assumptions about ϕ :
 - 1. No clause contains both a variable and its negation
 - 2. Each variable appears in at least one clause

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The Reduction

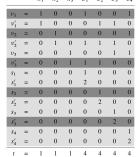
- Let ϕ have k clauses C_1, \ldots, C_k over n variables x_1, \ldots, x_n
- Reduction creates two numbers in S for each variable x_i and two numbers for each clause C_i
- ► Each number has n + k digits, the most significant n tied to variables and least significant k tied to clauses
 - 1. Target *t* has a 1 in each digit tied to a variable and a 4 in each digit tied to a clause
 - 2. For each x_i , S contains integers v_i and v_i' , each with a 1 in x_i 's digit and 0 for other variables. Put a 1 in C_i 's digit for v_i if x_i in C_j , and a 1 in C_j 's digit for v_i' if $\neg x_i$ in C_j
 - For each C_j, S contains integers s'_j and s'_j, where s_j has a 1 in C_j's digit and 0 elsewhere, and s'_j has a 2 in C_j's digit and 0 elsewhere
- Greatest sum of any digit is 6, so no carries when summing integers
- Can be done in polynomial time

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The Reduction (2)

$$C_1 = (x_1 \lor \neg x_2 \lor \neg x_3), C_2 = (\neg x_1 \lor \neg x_2 \lor \neg x_3), C_3 = (\neg x_1 \lor \neg x_2 \lor x_3), C_4 = (x_1 \lor x_2 \lor x_3)$$



 $x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 1$

Proof of Correctness

Notes and Questions

- \Rightarrow If $x_i = 1$ in ϕ 's satisfying assignment, SUBSET-SUM solution S' will have v_i , otherwise v_i'
- ► For each variable-based digit, the sum of the elements of S' is 1
- Since each clause is satisfied, each clause contains at least one literal with the value 1, so each clause-based digit sums to 1, 2, or 3
- To match each clause-based digit in t, add in the appropriate subset of slack variables s_i and s'_i

Proof of Correctness (2)

\leftarrow In SUBSET-SUM solution S', for each i = 1, ..., n, exactly one of v_i and v_i' must be in S', or sum won't match t

- ▶ If $v_i \in S'$, set $x_i = 1$ in satisfying assignment, otherwise we have $v_i' \in S'$ and set $x_i = 0$
- To get a sum of 4 in clause-based digit C_j, S' must include a v_i or v'_i value that is 1 in that digit (since slack variables sum to at most 3)
- ▶ Thus, if $v_i \in S'$ has a 1 in C_j 's position, then x_i is in C_j and we set $x_i = 1$, so C_j is satisfied (similar argument for $v_i' \in S'$ and setting $x_i = 0$)
- ▶ This holds for all clauses, so ϕ is satisfied

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In-Class Exercise: Traveling Salesman Problem (TSP)

- Given: A complete, undirected graph G with nonnegative costs on its edges, and a number k
- ► Question: Is there a tour that visits every city (vertex) exactly once, finishing where it started, and has total cost ≤ k?



Has a tour of cost k = 7

Prove that TSP is NP-complete (Reduce from HAM-CYCLE, realizing that HAM-CYCLE's instance is a graph with no costs and not necessarily complete)