

Algorithms 2020

NP-Hardness:

ALL the graphs!



Recap:

- 3 more reading assignments!
 - Sun, Thurs, & next Sun.
- HW - Sign up for oral grading & group
- Last HW - due on Wed.
before Thanksgiving
(all submitted by that weekend)

$P, \text{NP}, \text{co-NP}$

Consider only decision problems:

so Yes/No output

P:

Set of decision problems that can be solved in polynomial time.

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Ex essentially any thing
we've seen
(except backtracking exp time problem)

NP:

Set of problems such that, if the answer is yes & you hand me ~~proof~~ certificate I can verify/check in polynomial time.

Ex: CIRCUIT SAT

Co-NP: Can verify a "No" answer.

↳ Primality of a #!
no is easy! ~

Dfn: NP-Hard

X is NP-Hard



IF X could be solved in polynomial time, then

$P = NP$

Recall
 $P \neq NP$

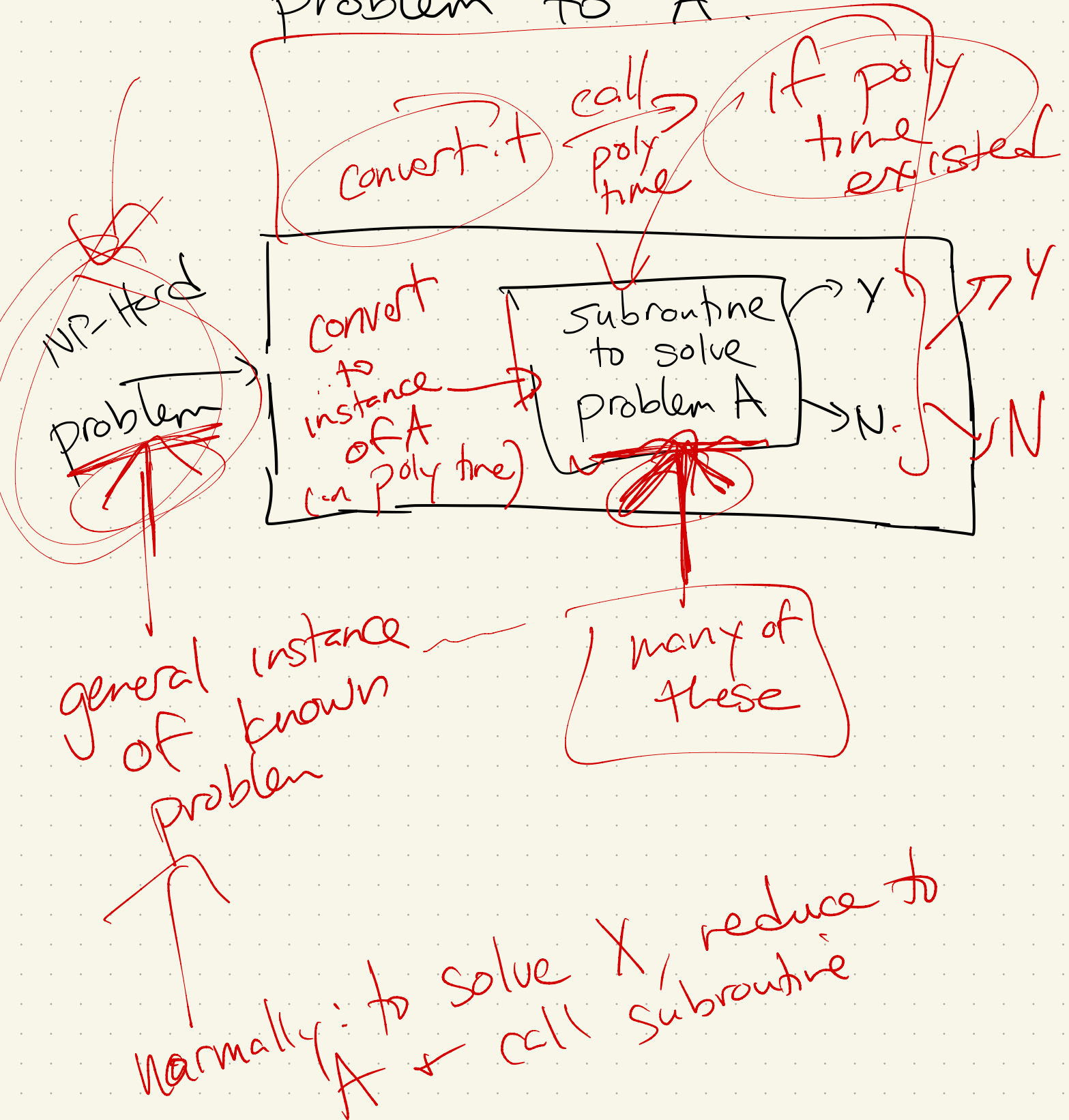
So if any NP-Hard problem could be solved in polynomial time, then all of NP could be.

Initial ex:

Circuit SAT

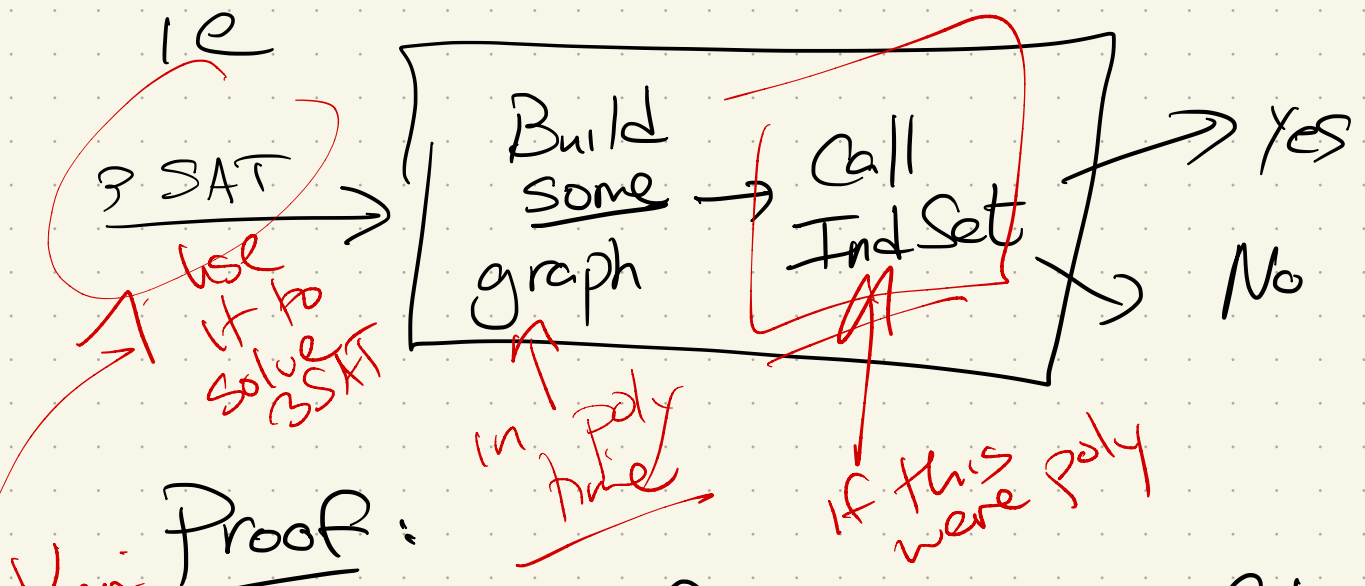
To prove NP-Hardness of A:

Reduce a known NP-Hard problem to A.



The Pattern: Reductions

- 1) Find an NP-Hard problem, & solve it using unknown problem as a subroutine



Key Proof:

Need if & only if!

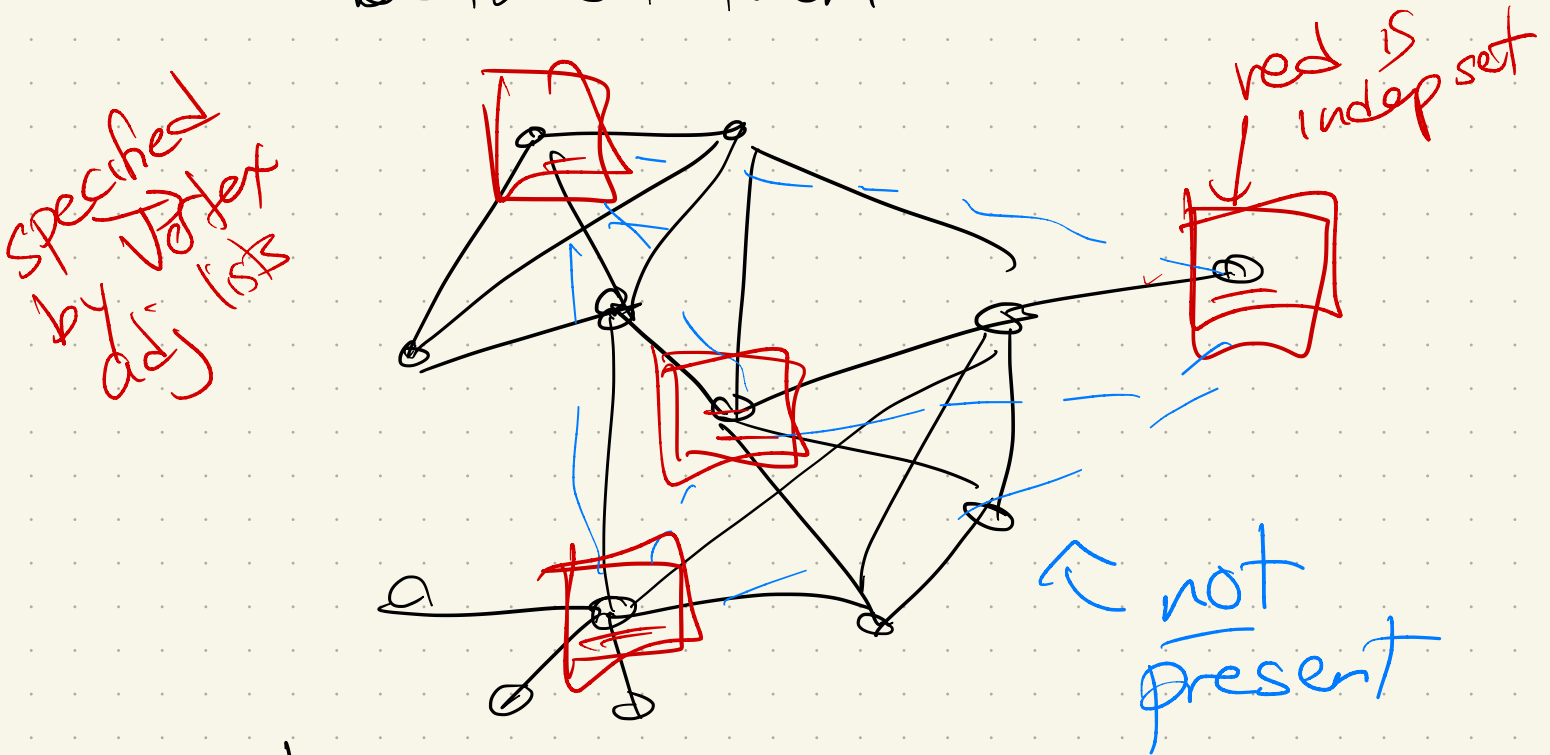
(ie might be some weird indep. set that doesn't make a SAT)

Challenge: Finding correct NP Hard problem

Next Problem: looks more useful

Independent Set:

A set of vertices in a graph with no edges between them:



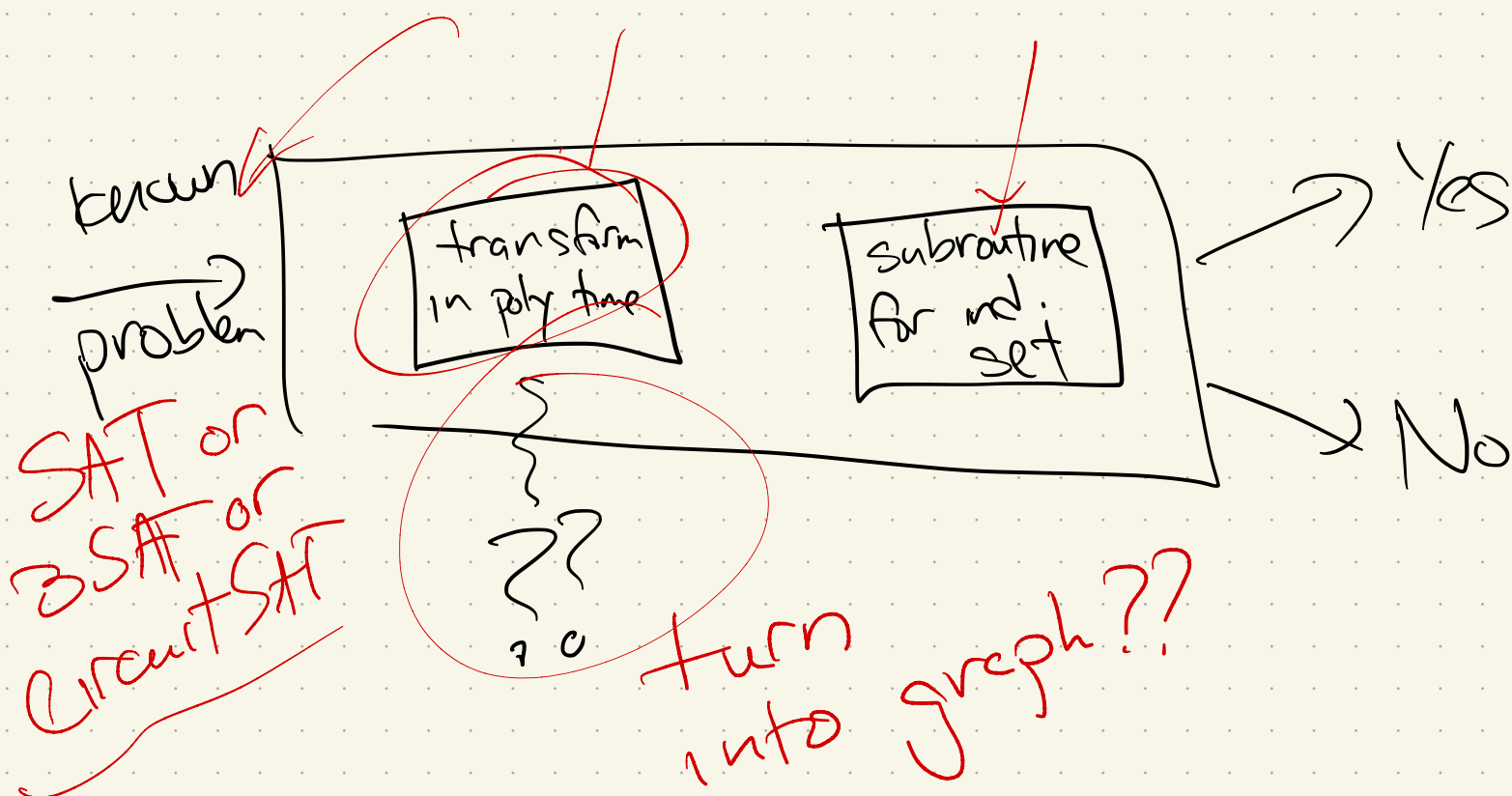
decision version:

Is there a ind set
of size k in G ?

(Wait - didn't we see this already!?)
→ solves in trees
→ input: $k \& G$

Challenge: No booleans!

But reduction needs to
take known NP-hard
problem & build a
graph!



We'll use 3SAT

(but stop and marvel
a bit first...)

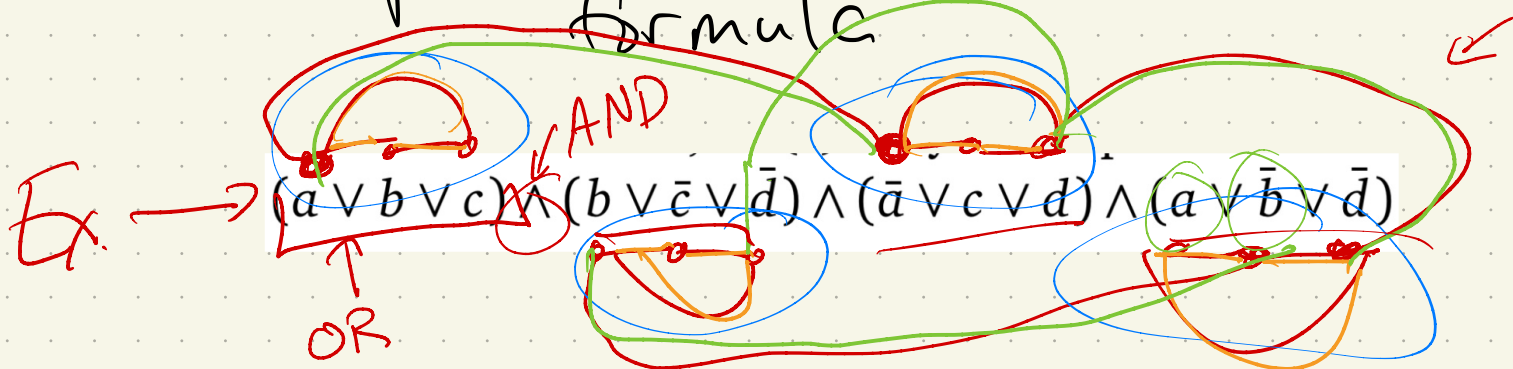
First look at "gadgets"
pieces in transformations

Reduction:

m clauses

n literals (variables)

Input is 3CNF boolean formula



① Make a vertex for each literal in each clause

→ really vertex lists → $3m$ vertices

② Connect two vertices if:

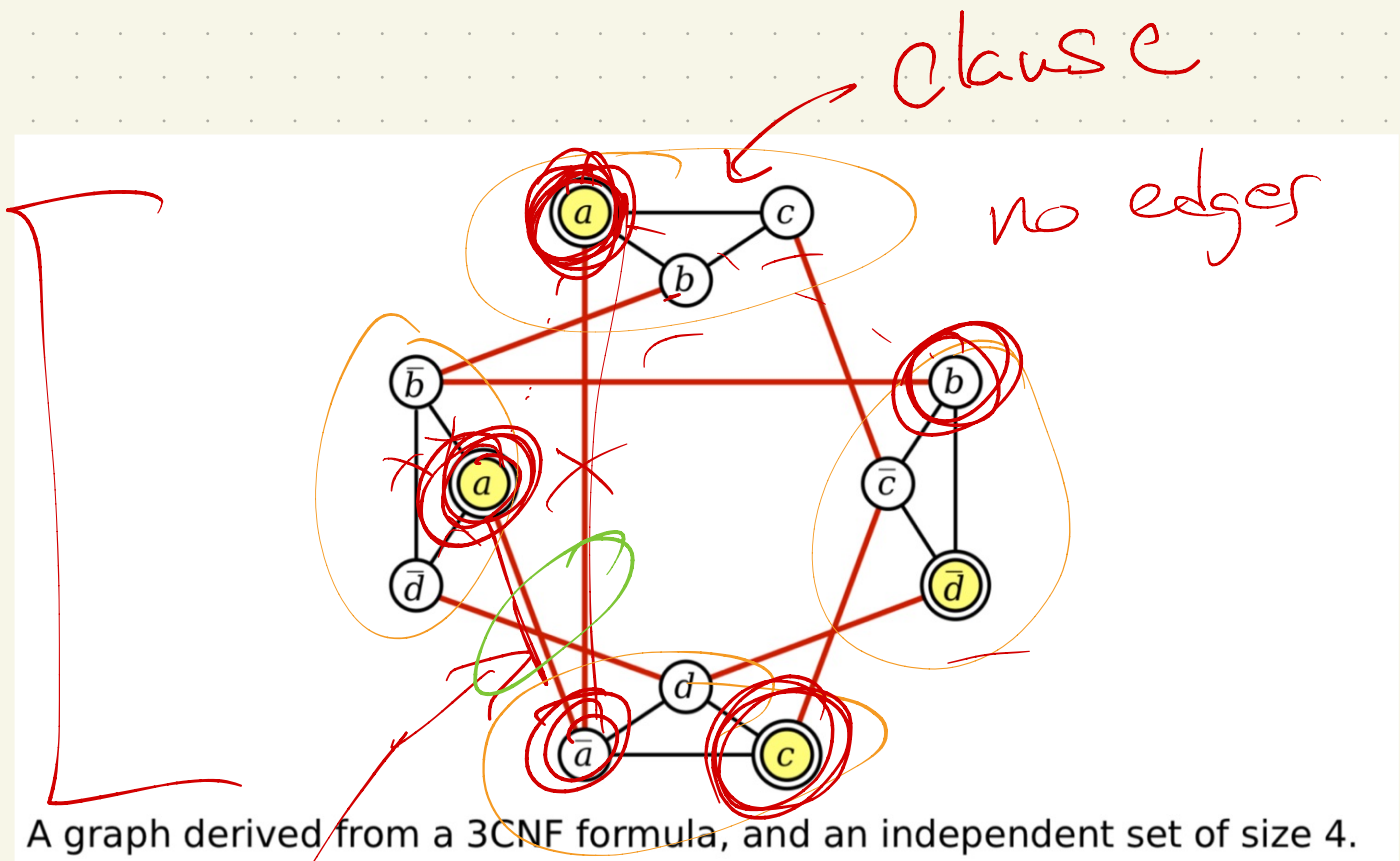
- they are in some Clause → 2 edges per vertex } $6m$
- they are a variable & its inverse

m clauses, so might add $3m$ edges per vertex

Example :

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

Handwritten annotations above the formula: $\overset{T}{\circlearrowleft}$ above $(a \vee b \vee c)$, $\overset{T}{\circlearrowleft}$ above $(\bar{b} \vee \bar{c} \vee \bar{d})$, $\overset{F}{\circlearrowleft}$ above $(\bar{a} \vee \bar{c} \vee d)$, $\overset{T}{\circlearrowleft}$ above $(a \vee \bar{b} \vee \bar{d})$.



go between
var & its negation

Reduction: spent $O(m+n)$
time building graph
poly!

Claim: ^{original 3SAT} formula is Satisfiable

$\longleftrightarrow$
 G has independent set
of size m

Proof:

$\Rightarrow$: Assume formula is SAT.
Then $\exists$ assignment of input
variables $x_1 \dots x_n$, so that
formula = true.

Build ind. set in G :

for each clause $\Delta \Leftrightarrow (x_i \vee x_j \vee x_k)$
must have something true.

Grab one of the true vars
+ add corr. vertex to set.

Independent Since:

- one vertex per Δ
- no var & its negation
can be true

Take ind set of size m :
(in G)

must have one vertex
per gadget

That corresponds to
a variable!

Set $var = \text{True}$.

(Set other variables
however you want)

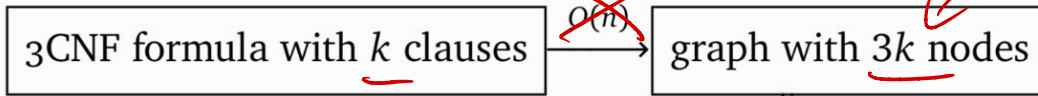
$$\bigwedge_{i=1}^m (x_i \vee \neg x_i) \wedge \dots \wedge (x_i \vee \neg x_i)$$

ORs, so T as long as
1 value is true

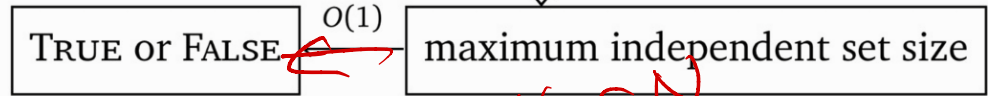
So:

$O(n + \cancel{k})$

$+ 9k$
edges



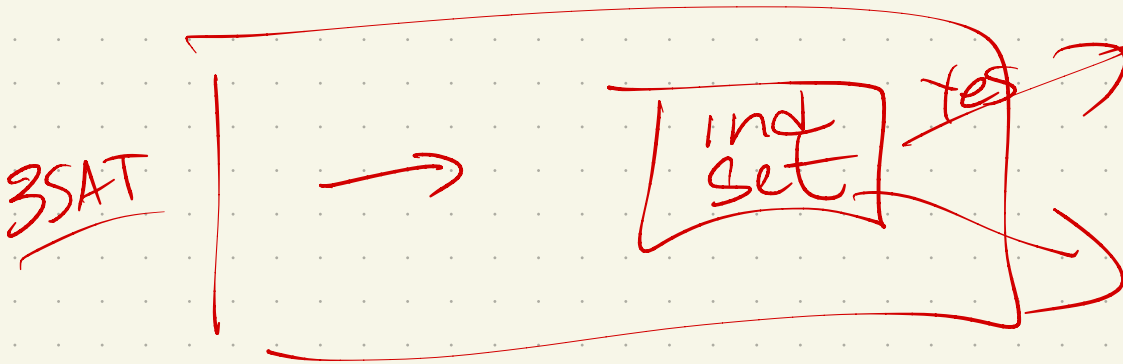
MAXINDSET



$Y \text{ or } N$

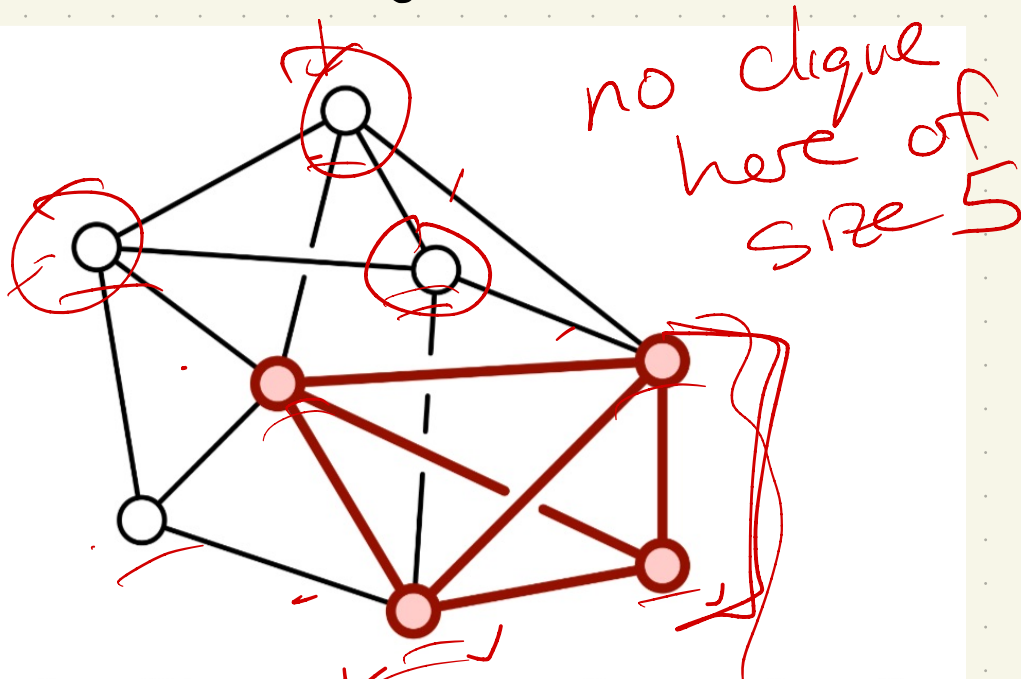
$$T_{3SAT}(n) \leq O(n) + T_{MAXINDSET}(O(n)) \Rightarrow T_{MAXINDSET}(n) \geq T_{3SAT}(\Omega(n)) - O(n)$$

3SAT depended on
Circuit SAT



Next one: Clique Size

A clique in a graph is a subgraph which is complete - all possible edges are present.



A graph with maximum clique size 4.

How could we check if G has a clique of size k ?

Brute force: Look at all subsets of k vertices: $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$
exponential in $k \approx O(n^k)$

Decision version: Does G have a clique of size k ?

Input: $G + k$

Output: Y or N

This is NP-Complete:

① In NP. why?

Poly time checking if yes:
If set of size k vertices
is handed to me,
I can check if all
 $\binom{k}{2} \approx O(k^2)$ edges in
clique are in G .

② NP-Hard:

What should we reduce to k -Clique?

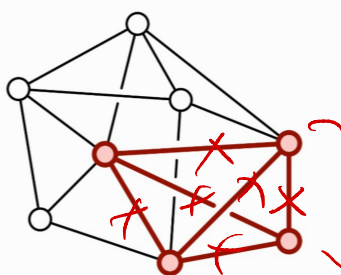
Options: Circuit SAT
3SAT
Ind Set!

Input: G & k , question is
does G have ind set
of size k ?

change $G \rightsquigarrow G'$ ^{in poly time}
so that G' has clique

$\Rightarrow G$ has ind set

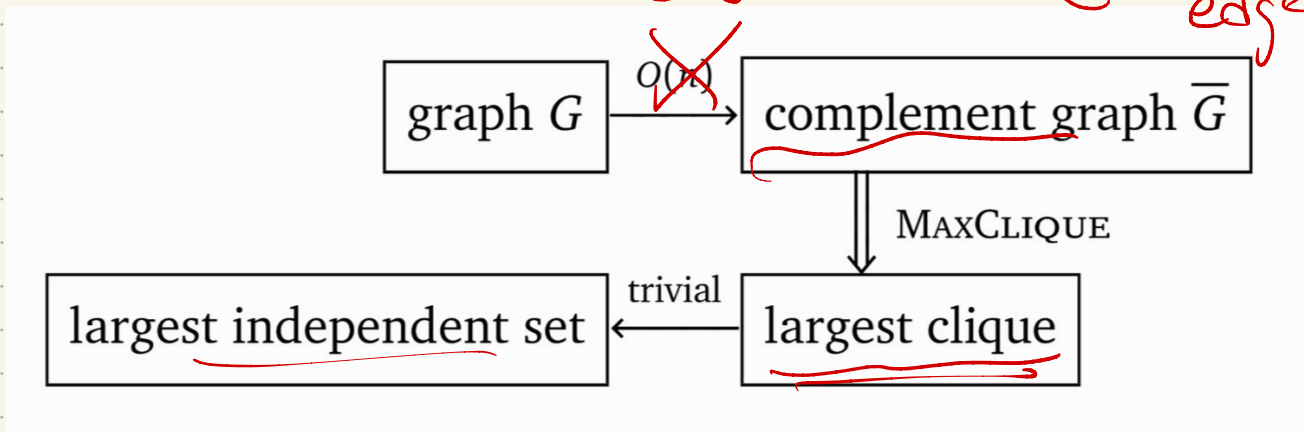
G'



A graph with maximum clique size 4.

want G' have
an edge whenever G
doesn't.

So:



Complement $\bar{G}$ (not G'):
vertices of $\bar{G}$ = vertices of G
look at every pair in V :
if G has edge u, v ,
 $\bar{G}$ will not
if G does not have uv ,
 $\bar{G}$ will have it
 $\rightarrow$ add it to
adj. lists

End: if poly time alg. for
clique, get one for ind set

Next: Vertex Cover:



A set of vertices which touches every edge in G .

min
cover

we solved in a tree!

k -Vertex cover (decision version):

Given G , & k ,
answer Y/N if $\exists$ vertex
cover of size k .

In NP: (verifying "yes" in poly time)

Given k vertices, check if
they are a cover.

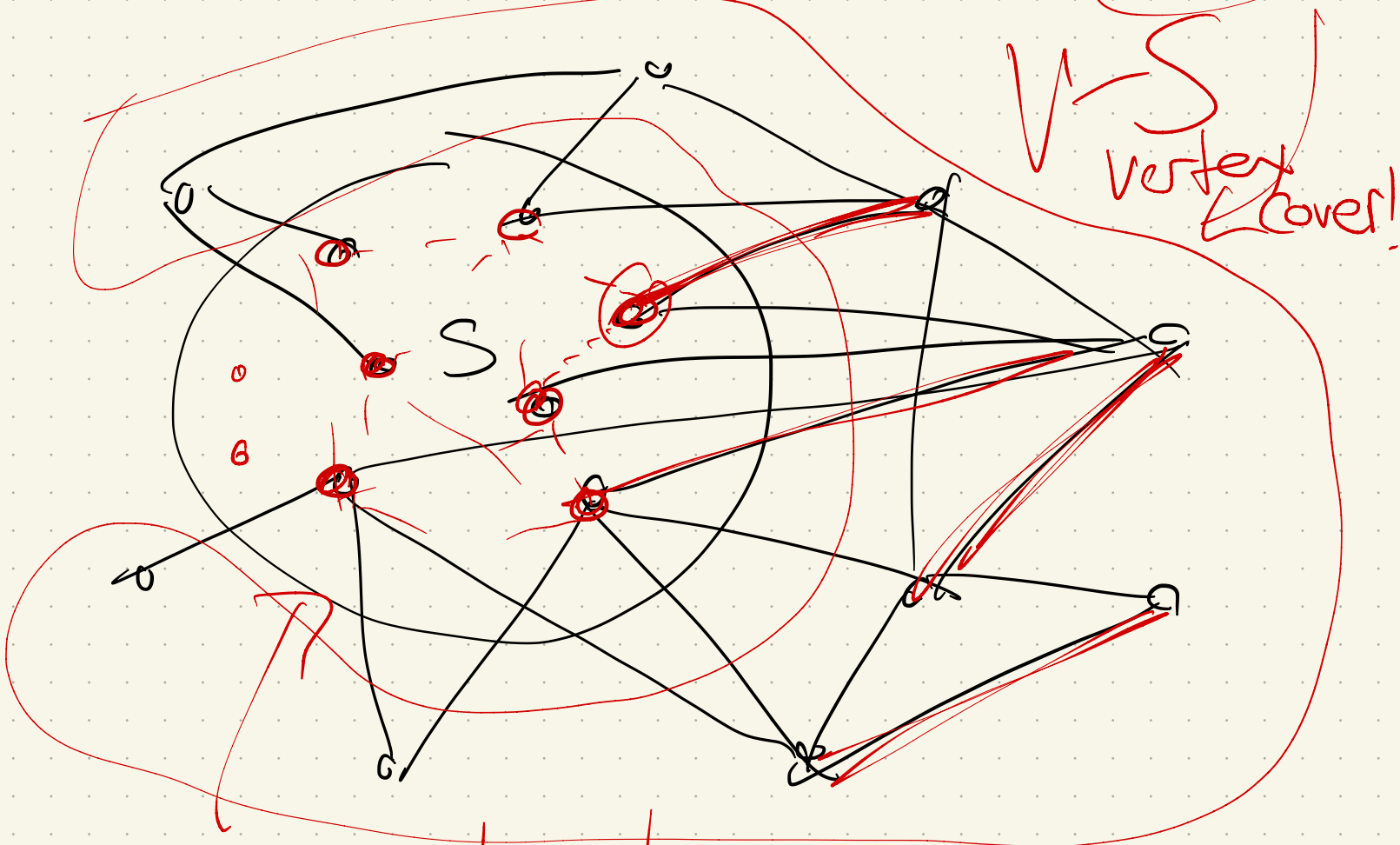
For each e :

check if $\geq$ endpoint
is in k -set of vertices.

$O(V+E)$

NP-Hardness : reduce what?
(probably clique or ind set!)

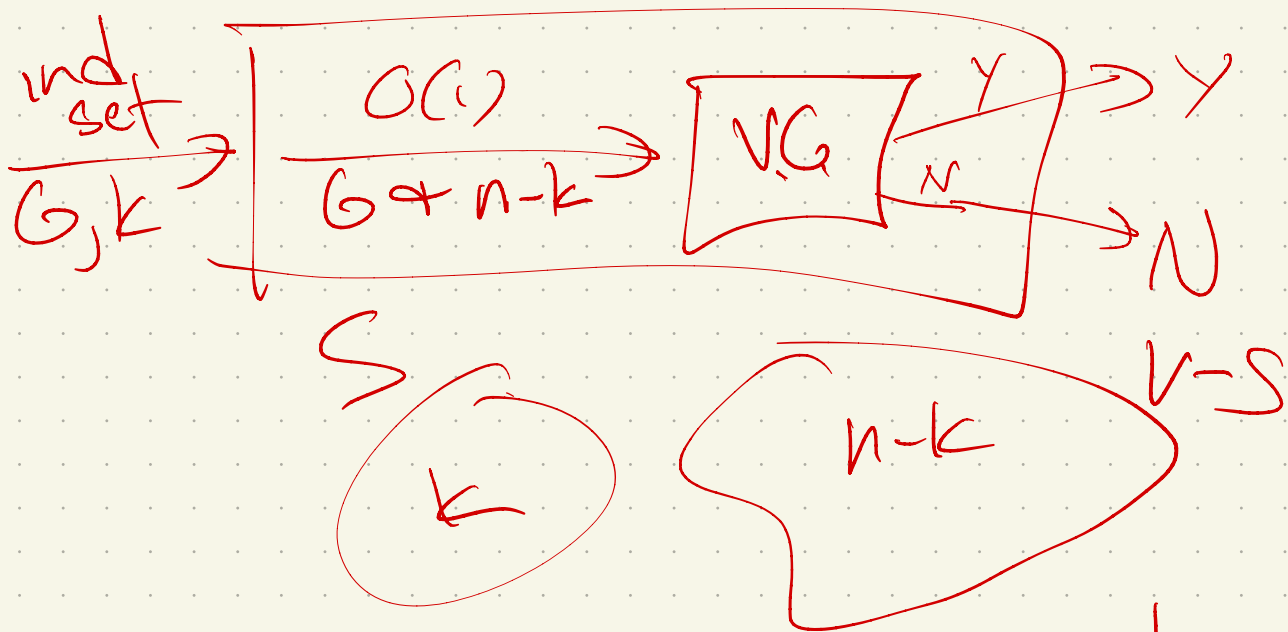
~~Key:~~ If S is independent set, what is $V-S$?
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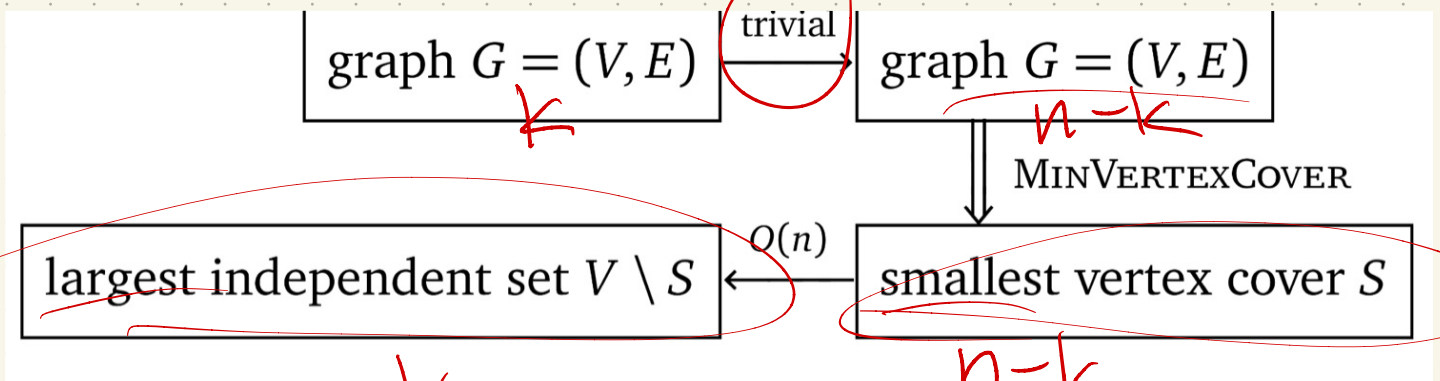
S is independ,
b/c no edges
b/t 2 vertices in S
all edges use ≥ 1 endpoint outside
of $S \Rightarrow V-S$ is V.C.

So simple reduction!

Given G & k to indep. set,
ask if $\exists$ vertex cover
of size $n-k$.



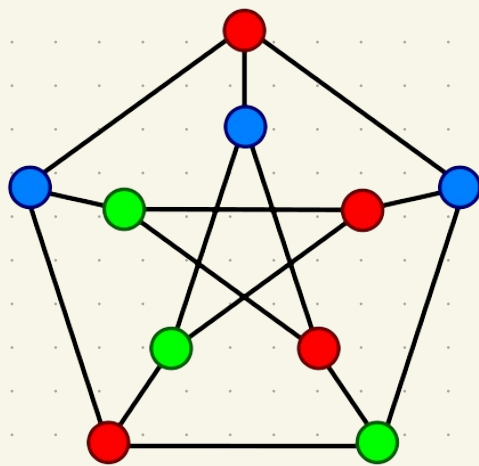
compute $n-k$



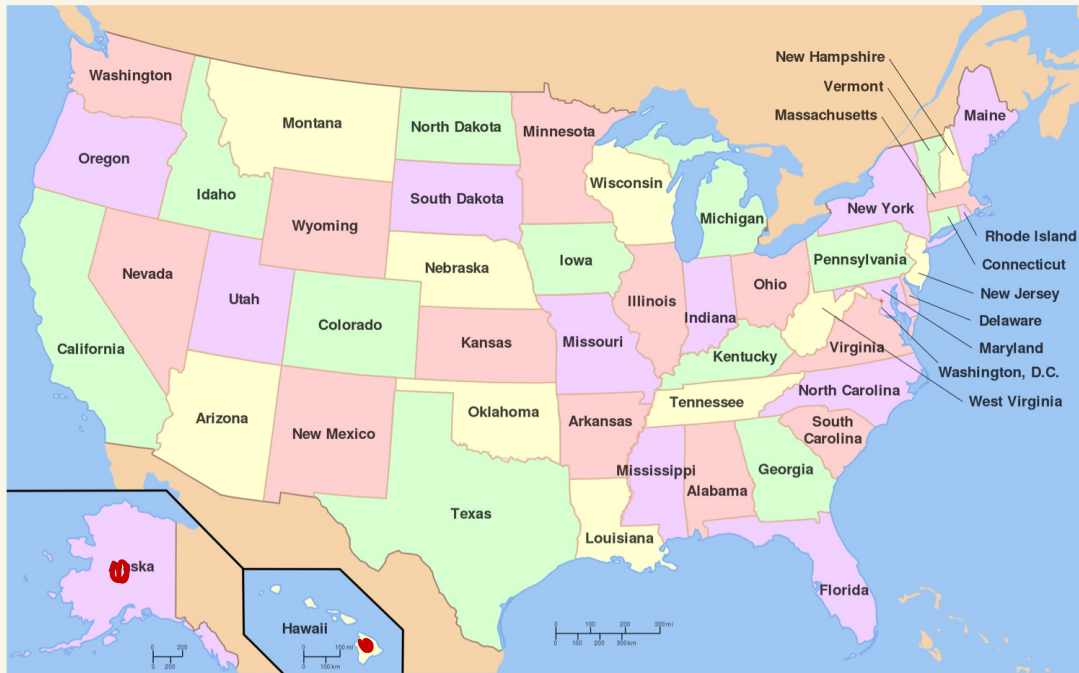
Next: Graph Coloring

A k-coloring of a graph G is a map: $c: V \rightarrow \{1, \dots, k\}$ that assigns one of k "colors" to each vertex so that every edge has 2 different colors at its endpoints.

Goal: Use few colors



Aside: this is famous!
Ever heard of map coloring?



Famous theorem:

Thm: 3-colorability is
NP-Complete.

(Decision version: Given G ,
output yes/no)

In NP:

NP-Hard:

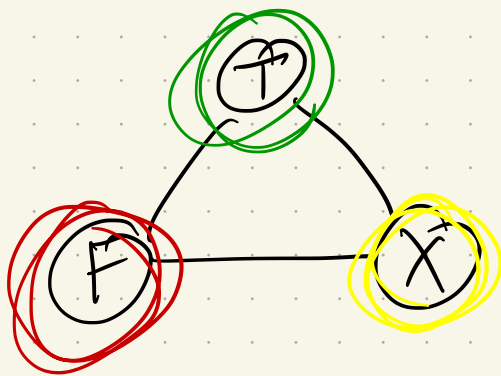
Reduction from 3SAT.

Given formula for 3SAT Φ ,
we'll make a graph G_Φ .

Φ will be satisfiable
 $\iff G_\Phi$ can be
3-colored.

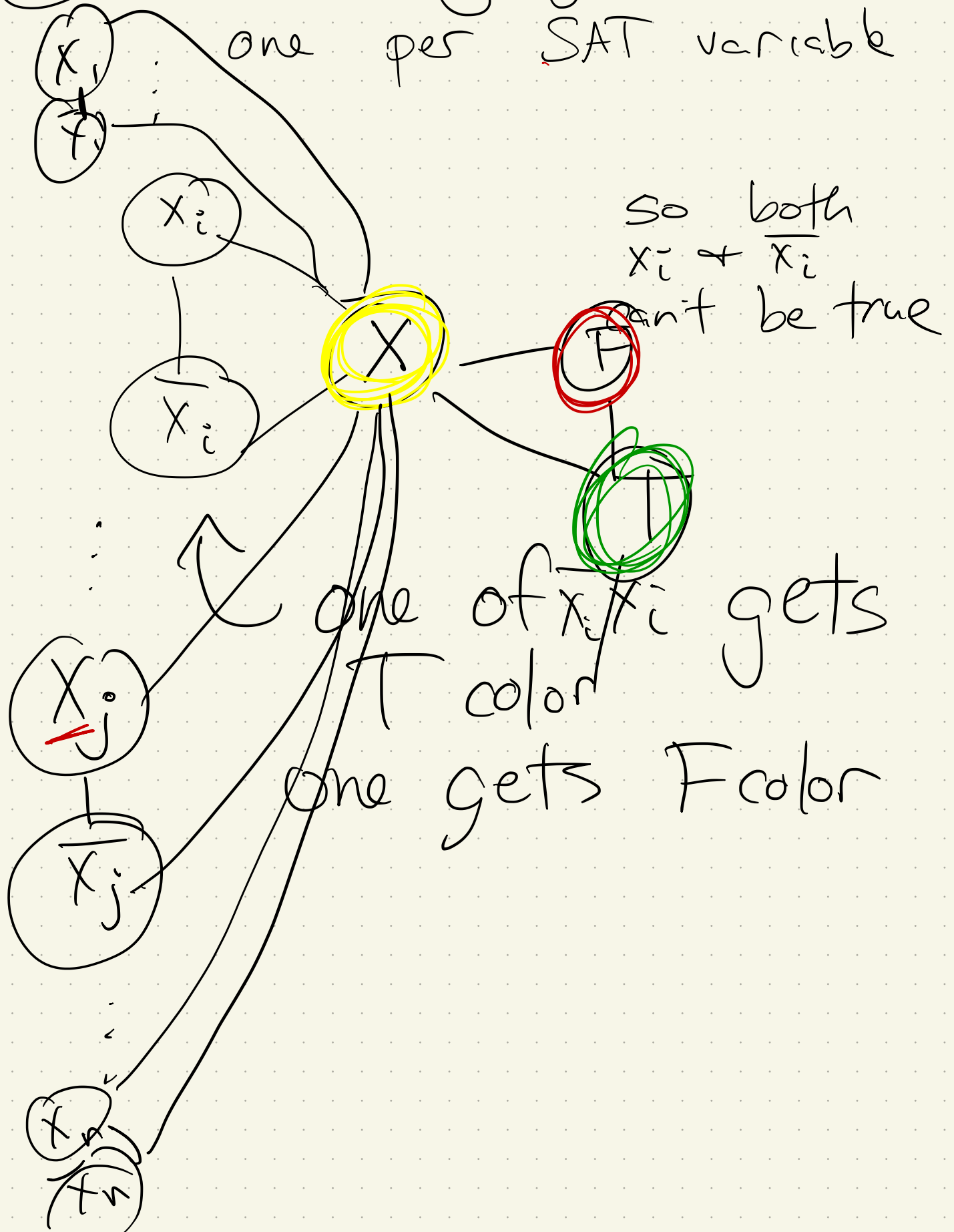
Key notion: Build "gadgets"!

① Truth gadget - one



Must use
3 colors -
establishes a
"true" color.

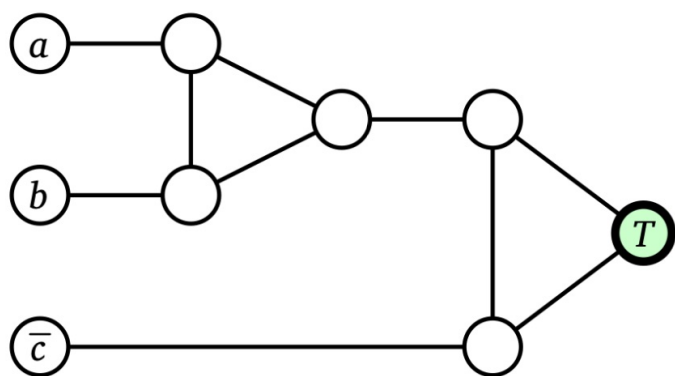
② Variable gadget —
one per SAT variable



③ Clause gadget :

For each clause, join
3 of the variable vertices
to the "true" vertex from
the truth gadget.

Goal: If all 3 are false,
no valid
3-coloring



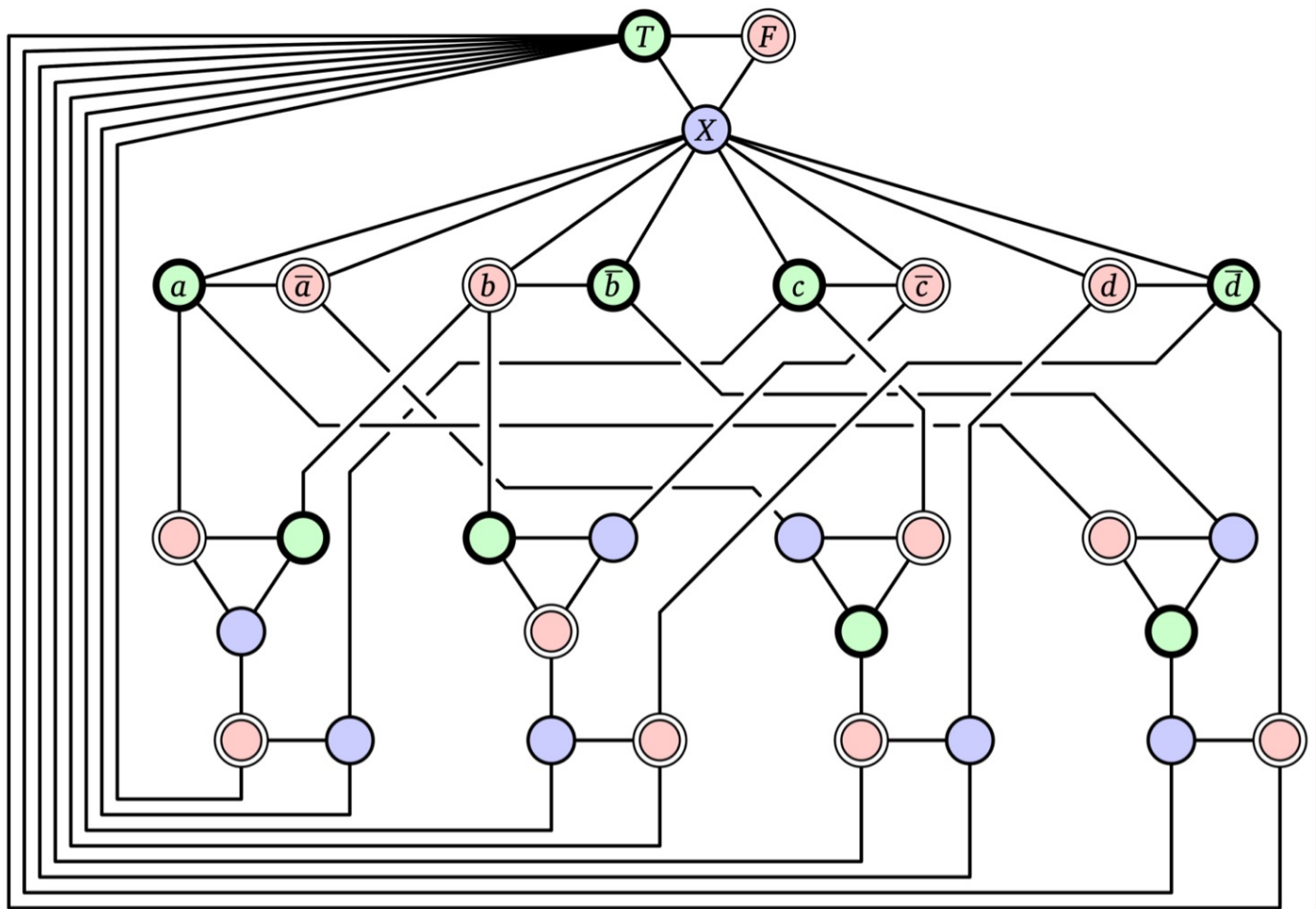
A clause gadget for $(a \vee b \vee \bar{c})$.

Idea: If all inputs are colored
False, can't 3-color:

3 coloring of G_{Φ} $\iff \Phi$ is satisfiable

PF:

Final reduction image:



A 3-colorable graph derived from the satisfiable 3CNF formula
 $(a \vee b \vee c) \wedge (b \vee \bar{c} \vee \bar{d}) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee c \vee d) \wedge (a \vee \bar{b} \vee \bar{d})$

Time to build G_Φ :
(remember, need polynomial in
formula size, $n + m$)

So:

