

# CS 341: Algorithms

## Lecture 22: NP-completeness, continued

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# the Traveling Salesman Problem

# Traveling salesman is NP-complete

## Definition: TSP

- **input:**  $n$ , nonnegative integer “distances”  $d_{u,v}$ ,  $1 \leq u < v \leq n$ , integer  $K$
- **output:** is there a Hamiltonian cycle  $C$  in the complete graph  $G_n$  on  $n$  vertices with  $\sum_{\{u,v\} \in C} d_{u,v} \leq K$
- **NP** (certificate? certifier? runtime? correctness?)

### Claim

HAMILTONIANCYCLE  $\leq_P$  TSP

**Proof:** given  $G = (V, E)$ , set  $n = |V|$

- reduction:  $d_{u,v} = 1$  if  $\{u, v\}$  in  $E$ ,  $d_{u,v} = 2$  otherwise, and  $K = n$
- Hamiltonian cycle in  $G_n$  with  $\sum_{\{u,v\} \in C} d_{u,v} \leq n \iff d_{u,v} = 1$  for all  $\{u, v\}$  on  $C$   
 $\iff$  all  $\{u, v\}$  on  $C$  are in  $E$

# Remark: Euclidean traveling salesman

## Definition: EUCLIDEANTSP

- **input:**  $(x_u, y_u)_{1 \leq u \leq n}$  integers
- **output:** same as above, with  $d_{u,v} = \sqrt{(x_u - x_v)^2 + (y_u - y_v)^2}$  (not necessarily integers)

## Unknown if NP

- **open:** how to test efficiently if a sum of square roots of integers is  $\leq K$

## NP-hard

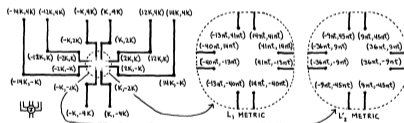
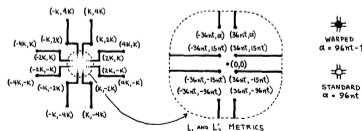


FIGURE 16. TRAVELING SALESMAN JUNCTIONS UNDER  $L_1$  AND  $L_2$  METRICS



# Colorability

# kColorable

## Definition:

- **input:** symmetric graph  $G$ , integer  $k$
- **output:** can we color all vertices of  $G$  with  $k$  colors, with adjacent vertices having **different** colors?
- NP

## Remark

- $k = 1$ :  $G$  1-colorable iff no edge
- $k = 2$ :  $G$  2-colorable iff bipartite

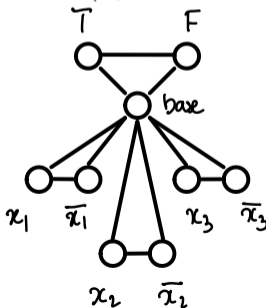
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## Claim

$3SAT \leq_P KCOLORABLE$

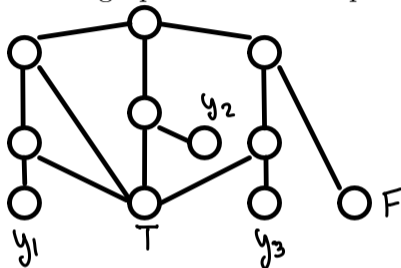
## Starting the construction

- given a formula in 3CNF, e.g.  $(x_1 \vee x_2 \vee \bar{x}_3) \wedge (\bar{x}_1 \vee x_2)$
- build a graph with vertices  $x_i$  and  $\bar{x}_i$ ,  $T$ ,  $F$ , and a base
- 3-coloring  $\iff$  variable assignments ( $x_i$  true if the same color as  $T$ )



## 3-colorability gadget

For any clause  $y_1 \vee y_2 \vee y_3$ , attach graph below to the previous construction



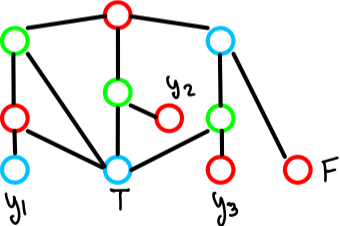
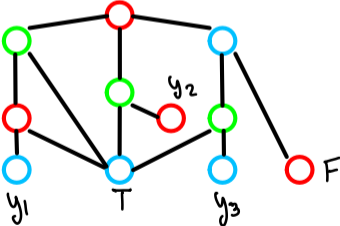
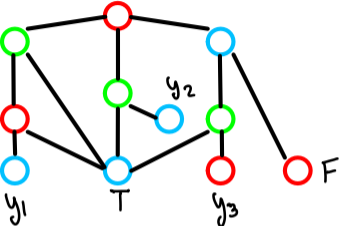
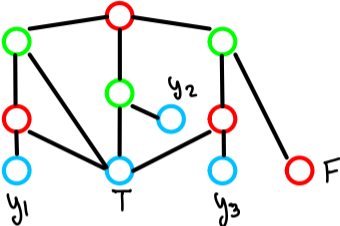
### Claim

Assuming we can use colors  $T$  or  $F$  for  $y_1, y_2, y_3$ , this graph is 3-colorable **iff** at least one of  $y_1, y_2, y_3$  is colored  $T$

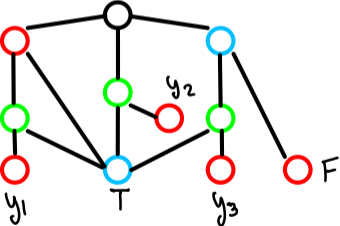
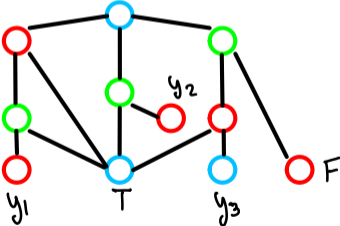
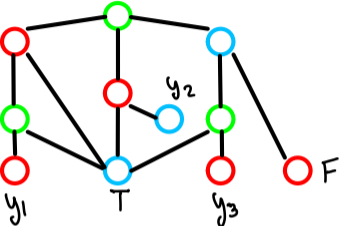
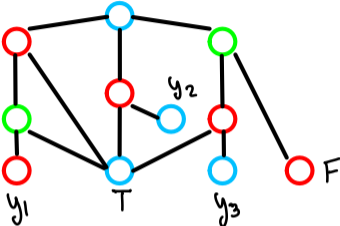
$\implies$  new graph 3-colorable **iff** all clauses can simultaneously be satisfied



# Case discussion 1/2



# Case discussion 2/2



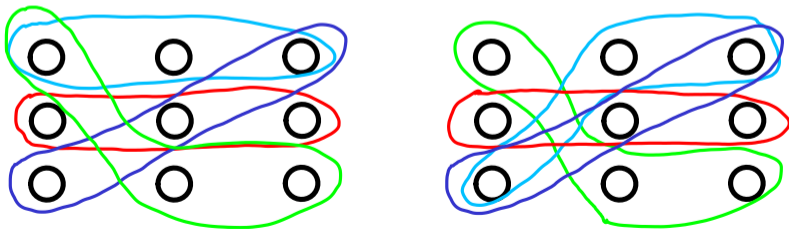
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## Examples



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## Remark: 2D version

- **input:** 2 sets  $X, Y$  of size  $n$  and a family of **edges**  $E \subset X \times Y$
- **output:** is there a **perfect matching** ( $n$  edges that cover  $X, Y$ )?
- this is testing if a bipartite graph has a perfect matching
- in **P** via max-flow

## 3DMatchings is NP-complete

(this is yet another question where 2 is easy and 3 looks hard)

### Claim

$3SAT \leq_P 3DMATCHING$

- **given:** a formula  $F$  in 3CNF, with  $s$  clauses  $C_1, \dots, C_s$
- **want:** an instance  $H = (X, Y, Z, E)$  of 3DMATCHING such that  $F$  satisfiable iff  $H$  admits a perfect 3D matching
- reduction must be polynomial time

# The variable gadget

build **one fidget-spinner-thing per variable**  $x_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

**Vertices** (not done)

- $2s$  **core vertices**  $v_{i,1}, \dots, v_{i,2s}$
- $2s$  **tip vertices**  $z_{i,1}^T, z_{i,1}^F, \dots, z_{i,s}^T, z_{i,s}^F$

only used in the gadget  
will connect to clause vertices

**Partition**

- $v_{i,1}, v_{i,3}, v_{i,5}, \dots$  in  $X$
- $v_{i,2}, v_{i,4}, v_{i,6}, \dots$  in  $Y$
- all tips in  $Z$

$ns$  so far

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**$2ns$**  (done)

**Hyperedges:** for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, s$

- $\{v_{i,2j-1}, v_{i,2j}, z_{i,j}^T\}$
- $\{v_{i,2j+1}, v_{i,2j}, z_{i,j}^F\}$

(not done)

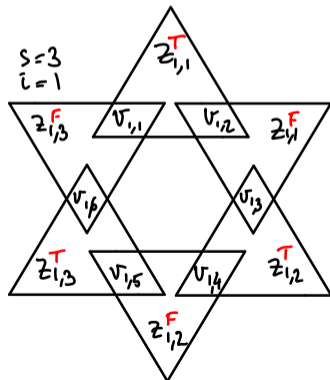
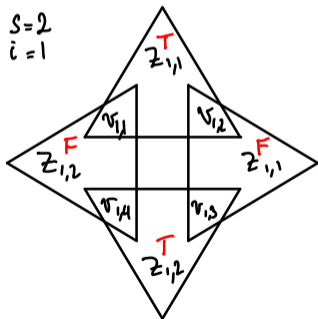
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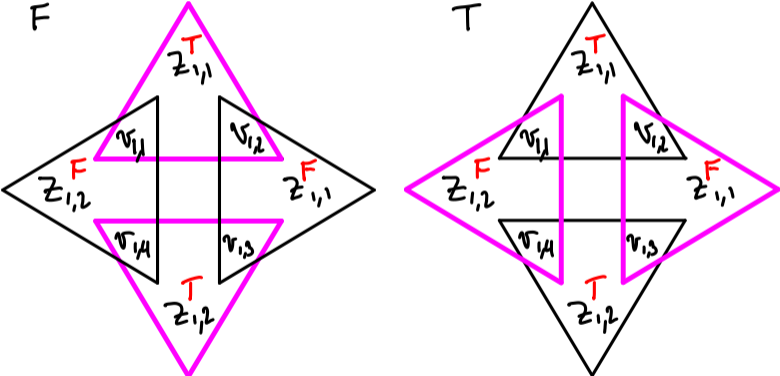
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# Covering the core vertices

- there will be no other hyperedge covering the core vertices  $v_{i,j}$
- so only **two** ways to cover a gadget

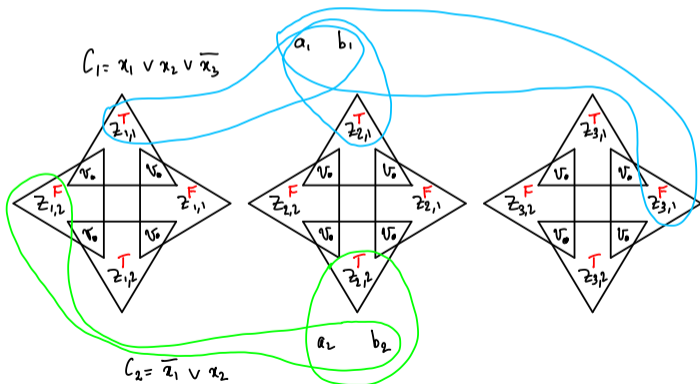


$2^n$  coverings (2 possibilities per gadget)  $\iff$  boolean values for the  $x_i$ 's

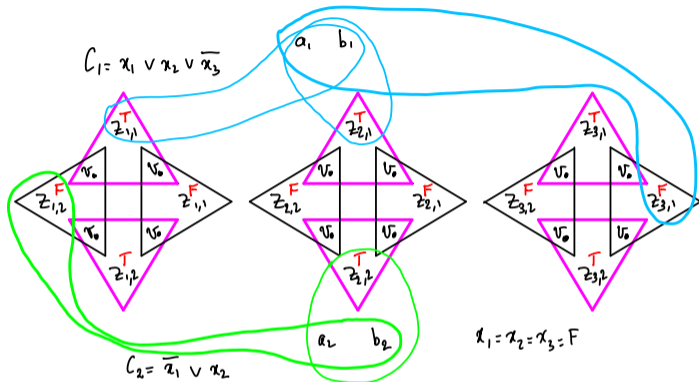
# Using the clauses to (almost) finish the graph

For each clause  $C_j$

- add two new vertices  $a_j \in X$  and  $b_j \in Y$
- for any literal  $x_i$  in  $C_j$ , add hyperedge  $\{a_j, b_j, z_{i,j}^T\}$
- for any literal  $\bar{x}_i$  in  $C_j$ , add hyperedge  $\{a_j, b_j, z_{i,j}^F\}$



## Final adjustments



- we have  $2ns = 12$  tips, with  $ns$  matched in pink and  $ns$  left
- in a perfect matching, each clause covers a tip, so  $ns - s = 4$  tips left
- add  $ns - s$  dummy vertices  $d_k \in X$ ,  $e_k \in Y$
- add **all** hyperedges  $\{d_k, e_k, z_{i,j}^T\}$  and  $\{d_k, e_k, z_{i,j}^F\}$  (that's  $(ns - s)(2ns)$  of them)

# $F$ satisfiable iff perfect 3D matching

## If $F$ is satisfiable

- cover gadgets for  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  according to their truth value
- pick **exactly** one true literal per clause  $C_j$ 
  - if  $x_i$ , take hyperedge  $\{a_j, b_j, z_{i,j}^T\}$
  - if  $\overline{x_i}$ , take hyperedge  $\{a_j, b_j, z_{i,j}^F\}$
- match all remaining tips with pairs of dummy vertices

$z_{i,j}^T$  still free  
 $z_{i,j}^F$  still free

## If perfect 3D matching

- matching gives truth values
- for each clause  $C_j$ , we picked a hyperedge  $\{a_j, b_j, z_{i,j}^T\}$ , resp.  $\{a_j, b_j, z_{i,j}^F\}$
- the corresponding  $x_i$  is  $T$ , resp.  $F$
- this makes  $C_j$  satisfied either way

# Subset sum and knapsack

# Subset sum and Knapsack are NP-complete

## Subset sum

- **given:** positive integers  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  and  $K$
- **want:** is there a subset  $S$  of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  with  $\sum_{i \in S} a_i = K$
- NP

### Claim

$3\text{DMATCHING} \leq_P \text{SUBSETSUM} \leq_P \text{KNAPSACK}$  (this is already known)

- **given:** sets  $X, Y, Z$  of size  $n$ ,  $m$  hyperedges  $E \subset X \times Y \times Z$
- **want:** integers  $a_1, \dots, a_s, K$  s.t. perfect 3D matching iff  $\sum_{i \in S} a_i = K$  for some  $S \in \{1, \dots, n\}$
- reduction must be polynomial time

## From 3D matchings to vectors

we define  $m$  0/1 vectors (one per hyperedge) of size  $3n$ .

- $j$ th hyperedge =  $\{x_u, y_v, z_w\}$ ,  $u, v, w$  in  $\{1, \dots, n\}$
- $j$ th vector given by

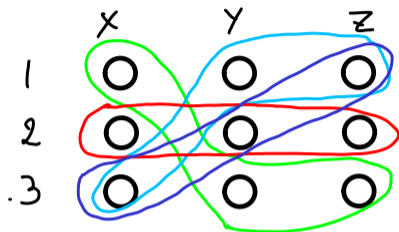
$$v_j = \left[ 0 \cdots 0 \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ u}}{1} 0 \cdots 0 \quad \color{red}{0 \cdots 0 \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ v+n}}{1} 0} \cdots \color{red}{0} \quad 0 \cdots 0 \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ w+2n}}{1} 0 \cdots 0 \right]$$

### Observation

there is a perfect 3D matching iff there is a subset of  $\{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$  that adds up to

$$\left[ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ \cdots \ \cdots \ \cdots \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \right]$$

## Example



$$v_1 = [1\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 0\ 1]$$

$$v_2 = [0\ 1\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0]$$

$$v_3 = [0\ 0\ 1\ 1\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 0]$$

$$v_4 = [0\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 0]$$



## From vectors to numbers

we define  $m$  integers (one per hyperedge) of bit-size polynomial in  $n, m$

- set  $b = m + 1$  (large enough)
- given

$$v_j = \left[ 0 \cdots 0 \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ u}}{1} 0 \cdots 0 \cdots 0 \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ v+n}}{1} 0 \cdots 0 \cdots 0 \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ w+2n}}{1} 0 \cdots 0 \right]$$

define

$$a_j = b^u + b^{v+n} + b^{w+2n} = v_j \cdot [ b \ b^2 \ \cdots \ b^{3n} ]$$

(vector  $v_j \leftrightarrow$  digits of  $a_j$  in base  $b$ )

- $a_j \leq (m + 1)^{3n+1}$  so  $\log_2(a_j) \in (mn)^{O(1)}$

## End of the proof

set  $K = b + b^2 + \dots + b^{3n}$  (so  $\log(K) \in (nm)^{O(1)}$ )

### Claim

for  $S$  subset of  $\{1, \dots, m\}$ ,  $\sum_{i \in S} v_i = [1 \ \dots \ 1] \iff \sum_{i \in S} a_i = K$

1. we always have

$$\sum_{i \in S} a_i = \left( \sum_{i \in S} v_i \right) \cdot [b \ b^2 \ \dots \ b^{3n}] = [c_1 \ c_2 \ \dots \ c_{3n}] \cdot [b \ b^2 \ \dots \ b^{3n}], \quad 0 \leq c_j \leq m$$

2. if  $\sum_{i \in S} v_i = [1 \ \dots \ 1]$ ,  $\sum_{i \in S} a_i = \sum_{j=1}^{3n} b^j = K$

3. if  $\sum_{i \in S} a_i = K$ ,

$$\sum_{j=1}^{3n} b^j = \sum_{j=1}^{3n} c_j b^j$$

so  $c_j = 1$  for all  $j$  **because**  $c_j < b$ , and  $\sum_{i \in S} v_i = [1 \ \dots \ 1]$