# CSE 105 THEORY OF COMPUTATION

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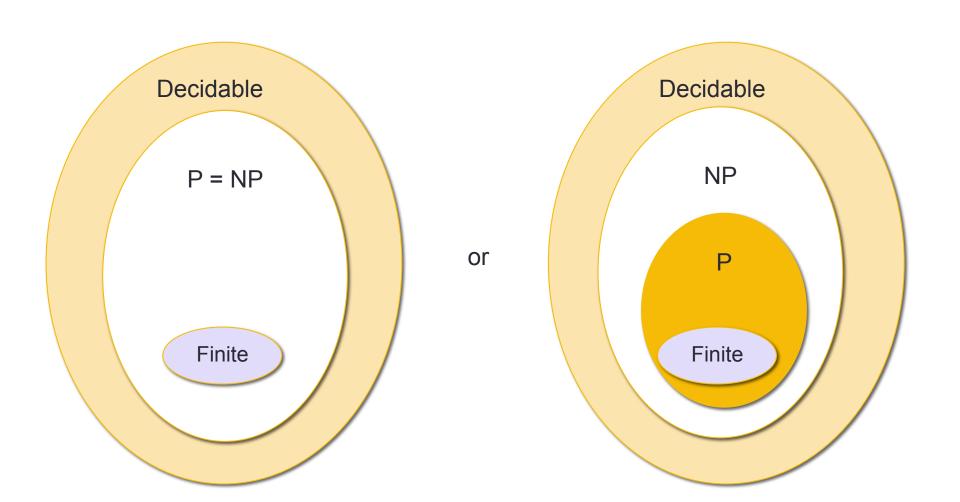
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# Today's learning goals Sipser Ch 7

- Define NP-completeness
- Give examples of NP-complete problems
- Use polynomial-time reduction to prove NP-completeness

Section 7.4, 7.5: NP-completeness

Start review!



# P vs. NP

Problems in P	Problems in NP
(Membership in any) regular language	Any problem in P
(Membership in any) CFL	HAMPATH
PATH	CLIQUE
A <sub>DFA</sub>	VERTEX-COVER
E <sub>DFA</sub>	TSP
EQ <sub>DFA</sub>	SAT
Addition, multiplication of integers	

## How to answer P = NP?

Are there **hardest** NP problems?

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Sipser p. 299-305

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**Definition** A language B (2) every A in NP is polyr

What would prove that P = NP?

- A. Showing that a problem solvable by brute-force methods has a nondeterministic solution.
- B. Showing that there are two distinct NPcomplete problems.
- C. Finding a polynomial time solution for an NP-complete problem.
- D. Proving that an NP-complete problem is not solvable in polynomial time.
- E. I don't know

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## 3-SAT

#### Cook-Levin Theorem: 3-SAT is NP-complete.

$$(x \lor \bar{y} \lor \bar{z}) \land (\bar{x} \lor y \lor z) \land (x \lor y \lor z)$$





# Are other problems NP complete?

To prove that X is NP-complete

From scratch: Prove it is NP, and that all NP problems are polynomial-time reducible to it.

**Using reduction**: Show that a (known-to-be) NP complete problem reduces to it.

## 3SAT polynomial-time reduces to CLIQUE

Sipser p. 302

Given: Boolean formula in CNF with exactly 3 literals/clause

- AND of ORs - args in OR clauses: var or negated var

**Desired Answer**: Yes if satisfiable; No if unsatisfiable

Instead transform formula to graph so that graph has clique iff original formula is satisfiable

## 3SAT polynomial-time reduces to CLIQUE

Transform 3-CNF formula with k clauses to graph G

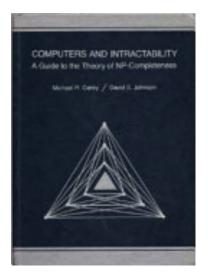
- vertices are the literals in each clause
- edges between all vertices except
  - two literals in the same clause
  - literals that are negations of one another

Claim: formula is satisfiable iff G has k-clique

# 3-SAT to Clique example

$$(x \lor \bar{y} \lor \bar{z}) \land (\bar{x} \lor y \lor z) \land (x \lor y \lor z)$$

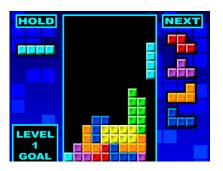
# Are other problems NP-complete?



MY HOBBY:
EMBEDDING NP-COMPLETE PROBLEMS IN RESTAURANT ORDERS









## Next time

Review for final exam

Please fill out CAPE, TA evaluations.

Seat charts for final exam on Piazza.

Lecture B: PCYNH109