

**Reading:** 8.4-8.5; guide to reductions

**Last time:**

- $\mathcal{NP}$ -completeness
- $3\text{-SAT} \leq_P \text{INDEP-SET}$

**Today:**

- $3\text{-SAT} \leq_P \text{INDEP-SET}$
- $3\text{-SAT} \leq_P \text{HC}$

## Independent Set

**Recall:** INDEP-SET (decision problem)

input:  $G = (V, E), k$

output:  $S \subset V$

- satisfying  $\forall v \in S, (u, v) \notin E$
- $|S| \geq k$

**Lemma:** INDEP-SET is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -hard.

**Proof:** (reduction from 3-SAT)

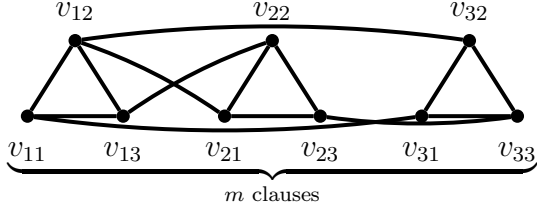
**Part I:** forward instance construction

convert 3-SAT instance  $f$  into INDEP-SET instance  $(G, k)$ .

literal  $j$  in clause  $i$

- vertices  $v_{ij}$  correspond to literals  $l_{ij}$
- edges for:
  - clause (in triangle)  
“at most one vertex selected per clause”
  - conflicted literals.  
“vertices for conflicting literals cannot be selected”
- “vertex  $v_{ij}$  is selected”  $\Rightarrow$  “literal  $l_{ij}$  is true”.
- “indep set of size  $m \Leftrightarrow$  “satisfying assignment”

**Example:**  $f(z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4) = (z_1 \vee z_2 \vee z_3) \wedge (\bar{z}_2 \vee \bar{z}_3 \vee \bar{z}_4) \wedge (\bar{z}_1 \vee \bar{z}_2 \vee z_4)$



Runtime Analysis: linear time (one vertex per literal).

**Part II::** reverse certificate construction

construct assignment  $\mathbf{z}$  from  $S$

(if  $G$  has indep. set  $S$  size  $\geq m$  then  $f$  is satisfiable.)

(a) For each  $z_r$

- if exists nodes in  $S$  are labeled by " $z_r$ "  
 $\Rightarrow$  set  $z_r = 1$
- else  
 $\Rightarrow$  set  $z_r = 0$

**Note:** no two nodes  $u, v \in S$  labeled by both  $z_r$  or  $\bar{z}_r$ , if so, there is  $(u, v)$  edge so  $S$  would not be independent.

(b)  $f(\mathbf{z}) = T$ :

- $S$  has  $|S| = m$   
 $\Rightarrow S$  has one vertex per clause.
- for clause  $i$ :
  - if  $v_{ij} \in S$  is not negated, then  $i$  is true.
  - if  $v_{ij} \in S$  is negated, then  $i$  is true.

**Part III::** forward certificate construction  
construct independent set  $S$  from  $\mathbf{z}$

(if  $f$  is satisfiable then  $G$  has indep. set size  $\geq m$ .)

- let  $S'$  be nodes in  $G$  corresponding to true literals.
- if more than one node in  $S'$  in same triangle drop all but one.  
 $\Rightarrow S$ .
- $|S| = m$ .
- for all  $u, v \in S$ ,
  - $u$  &  $v$  not in same triangle.
  - $l_u$  and  $l_v$  both true  
 $\Rightarrow$  must not conflict  
 $\Rightarrow$  no  $(l_u, l_v)$  edge in  $G$ .
- so  $S$  is independent.

## Problem: Hamiltonian Cycle

input:  $G = (V, E)$  (directed)

output: cycle  $C$  to visit each vertex exactly once.

**Lemma:** hamiltonian cycle is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -hard

**Proof:** (reduction from 3-SAT)

**Step 1:** construction

- turn 3-SAT formula  $f$  in to graph  $G$  with hamiltonian cycle iff  $f$  is satisfiable.
- idea: variable = isolated path, right-to-left = true, left-to-right = false.
- idea: clause is node, which needs to be hit by at most one literal being true.
- construction:
  - left-right path per variable.
  - splice in clause nodes.

**Step 2:** runtime.

**Step 3:** correctness.

## TSP

**Lemma 0.1** *TSP is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -hard.*

**Proof:** *reduction from Hamiltonian Cycle*

- *encode edges with cost 1*
  - *encode non-edges with cost  $n$ .*
- $\Rightarrow$  *exists HC iff TSP cost  $\leq n$*