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CS/ECE-374: Lecture 27 - More NP-Complete reductions

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Today

NP-Completeness of three problems:

- Undirected HC problem
- 3-Color Problem
- Circuit SAT

Important: understanding the problems and that they are hard.

Proofs and reductions will be sketchy and mainly to give a flavor

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Hamiltonian Cycle in Undirected Graphs

Problem

Input Given undirected graph G = (V, E)

Goal Does G have a Hamiltonian cycle? That is, is there a cycle that visits every vertex exactly one (except start and end vertex)? **Theorem** *Hamiltonian cycle* problem for undirected graphs is NP-Complete.

Proof.

- The problem is in **NP**; proof left as exercise.
- Hardness proved by reducing Directed Hamiltonian Cycle to this problem

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Graph without cycle:



NP-Completeness of Graph Coloring

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Observation: If *G* is colored with *k* colors then each color class (nodes of same color) form an independent set in *G*. Thus, *G* can be partitioned into *k* independent sets iff *G* is *k*-colorable.

Graph 2-Coloring can be decided in polynomial time.

G is 2-colorable iff *G* is bipartite! There is a linear time algorithm to check if *G* is bipartite using Breadth-first-Search

Problems related to graph coloring

Register Allocation

Assign variables to (at most) *k* registers such that variables needed at the same time are not assigned to the same register

Interference Graph

Vertices are variables, and there is an edge between two vertices, if the two variables are "live" at the same time.

Observations

- [Chaitin] Register allocation problem is equivalent to coloring the interference graph with *k* colors
- Moreover, 3-COLOR $\leq_P k$ Register Allocation, for any $k \geq 3$

Given *n* classes and their meeting times, are *k* rooms sufficient?

Reduce to Graph *k*-Coloring problem

Create graph G

- a node v_i for each class i
- an edge between v_i and v_j if classes *i* and *j* conflict

Exercise: G is k-colorable iff k rooms are sufficient

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Problem: given *k* bands and some region with *n* towers, is there a way to assign the bands to avoid interference?

Can reduce to *k*-coloring by creating intereference/conflict graph on towers.

Showing hardness of 3 COLORING

3-Coloring is NP-Complete

- 3-Coloring is in NP.
 - Non-deterministically guess a 3-coloring for each node
 - Check if for each edge (*u*, *v*), the color of *u* is different from that of *v*.
- Hardness: We will show 3-SAT \leq_P 3-Coloring.

Start with **3SAT** formula (i.e., 3CNF formula) φ with *n* variables x_1, \ldots, x_n and *m* clauses C_1, \ldots, C_m . Create graph G_{φ} such that G_{φ} is 3-colorable iff φ is satisfiable

- need to establish truth assignment for x_1, \ldots, x_n via colors for some nodes in G_{φ} .
- create triangle with node True, False, Base
- for each variable x_i two nodes v_i and \bar{v}_i connected in a triangle with common Base
- If graph is 3-colored, either v_i or $\bar{v_i}$ gets the same color as True. Interpret this as a truth assignment to v_i
- Need to add constraints to ensure clauses are satisfied (next phase)

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How do we do the same thing for 3 variables?:

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 \lor x_2 \lor x_3)$$
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3 color this gadget II

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3-coloring of the clause gadget



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Next we need a gadget that assigns literals. Our previously constructed gadget assumes:

- All literals are either red or green.
- Need to limit graph so only x_1 or $\overline{x_1}$ is green. Other must be red

Reduction Idea II - Literal Assignment II



For each clause $C_j = (a \lor b \lor c)$, create a small gadget graph

- gadget graph connects to nodes corresponding to *a*, *b*, *c*
- needs to implement OR

OR-gadget-graph:



Property: if *a*, *b*, *c* are colored False in a 3-coloring then output node of OR-gadget has to be colored False.

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Reduction

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- for each clause C_j = (a ∨ b ∨ c), add OR-gadget graph with input nodes a, b, c and connect output node of gadget to both False and Base



Reduction



Lemma

No legal 3-coloring of above graph (with coloring of nodes T, F, B fixed) in which a, b, c are colored False. If any of a, b, c are colored True then there is a legal 3-coloring of above graph.

Reduction Outline

Example $\varphi = (u \lor \neg v \lor w) \land (v \lor x \lor \neg y)$



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Graph generated in reduction from 3SAT to 3COLOR



Circuit-Sat Problem

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Lemma CSAT is in NP.

- Certificate: Assignment to input variables.
- Certifier: Evaluate the value of each gate in a topological sort of DAG and check the output gate value.

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However they are equivalent in terms of polynomial-time solvability.

Theorem $SAT \leq_P 3SAT \leq_P CSAT$.

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Given 3CNF formula φ with n variables and m clauses, create a Circuit C.

- Inputs to C are the *n* boolean variables x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n
- Use NOT gate to generate literal $\neg x_i$ for each variable x_i
- + For each clause ($\ell_1 \lor \ell_2 \lor \ell_3$) use two OR gates to mimic formula
- Combine the outputs for the clauses using AND gates to obtain the final output

$$\varphi = \left(X_1 \lor \lor X_3 \lor X_4\right) \land \left(X_1 \lor \neg X_2 \lor \neg X_3\right) \land \left(\neg X_2 \lor \neg X_3 \lor X_4\right)$$

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Example: $3SAT \leq_{P} CSAT$

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But first we need to look back at a gadget!

Ζ	Х	У			
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$$\left(z = x \land y \right)$$

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

Lemma The following identities hold:

$$\begin{array}{l} \cdot \ z = \overline{x} & \equiv & (z \lor x) \land (\overline{z} \lor \overline{x}) \, . \\ \cdot \ \left(z = x \lor y \right) & \equiv & (z \lor \overline{y}) \land (z \lor \overline{x}) \land (\overline{z} \lor x \lor y) \\ \cdot \ \left(z = x \land y \right) & \equiv & \left(z \lor \overline{x} \lor \overline{y} \right) \land \left(\overline{z} \lor x \right) \land \left(\overline{z} \lor y \right) \end{array}$$







(Demand a sat' assign-Xb ment!) $X_k = X_i \wedge X_i$ $X_i = X_q \wedge X_h$ $X_i = \neg X_f$ $X_h = X_d \vee X_{\rho}$ $X_a = X_b \vee X_c$ $X_f = X_a \wedge X_b$ $X_{d} = 0$ $x_{a} = 1$

(C) Introduce var for each node.

(D) Write a sub-formula for each variable that is true if the var is computed correctly. 42

X _k	X _k
$X_k = X_i \wedge X_j$	$(\neg x_k \lor x_i) \land (\neg x_k \lor x_j) \land (x_k \lor \neg x_i \lor \neg x_j)$
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We got a CNF formula that is satisfiable if and only if the original circuit is satisfiable.

- For each gate (vertex) v in the circuit, create a variable x_v
- Case \neg : *v* is labeled \neg and has one incoming edge from *u* (so $x_v = \neg x_u$). In **SAT** formula generate, add clauses $(x_u \lor x_v)$, $(\neg x_u \lor \neg x_v)$. Observe that

$$x_v = \neg x_u$$
 is true $\iff (x_u \lor x_v) (\neg x_u \lor \neg x_v)$ both true.

Case ∨: So x_v = x_u ∨ x_w. In SAT formula generated, add clauses (x_v ∨ ¬x_u), (x_v ∨ ¬x_w), and (¬x_v ∨ x_u ∨ x_w). Again, observe that

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_v \lor \neg x_u \end{pmatrix}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} x_v \lor x_w \end{pmatrix} \text{ is true } \iff \begin{pmatrix} x_v \lor \neg x_u \end{pmatrix}, \\ \begin{pmatrix} x_v \lor \neg x_w \end{pmatrix}, \\ (\neg x_v \lor x_u \lor x_w) \end{pmatrix} \text{ all true.}$$

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- If v is an input gate with a fixed value then we do the following. If $x_v = 1$ add clause x_v . If $x_v = 0$ add clause $\neg x_v$
- Add the clause x_v where v is the variable for the output gate

Need to show circuit C is satisfiable iff φ_{C} is satisfiable

- \Rightarrow Consider a satisfying assignment *a* for *C*
 - Find values of all gates in C under a
 - Give value of gate v to variable x_v ; call this assignment a'
 - a' satisfies φ_{C} (exercise)
- $\leftarrow \text{ Consider a satisfying assignment } a \text{ for } \varphi_{\mathcal{C}}$
 - Let a' be the restriction of a to only the input variables
 - Value of gate v under a' is the same as value of x_v in a
 - Thus, a' satisfies C