

The COLOURABILITY problem.

INSTANCE: An undirected graph G , and an integer k .

QUESTION: Is there an assignment of k colours to the vertices of G such that no two adjacent vertices receive the same colour?

THEOREM COLOURABILITY is NP-complete.

Reduction from SAT to COLOURABILITY.

Given: ϕ , instance of SAT, i.e., a Boolean formula in CNF.

Require: Graph G and integer k s.t.

ϕ is satisfiable $\iff G$ is k -colourable.

Formally: Let

x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n : variables in ϕ ,
 C_1, C_2, \dots, C_r : clauses of ϕ .

Then

$$V = \{v_0, \dots, v_n\} \cup \{x_1, \dots, x_n\} \cup \{\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_n\} \\ \cup \{C_1, \dots, C_r\},$$

$$E = \{\{v_i, x_j\}, \{v_i, \bar{x}_j\} \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq n \text{ and } i \neq j\} \\ \cup \{\{v_i, v_j\} \mid 0 \leq i < j \leq n\} \\ \cup \{\{v_0, C_k\} \mid 1 \leq k \leq r\} \\ \cup \{\{x_i, \bar{x}_i\} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\} \\ \cup \{\{x_i, C_k\} \mid x_i \text{ is not a literal in clause } C_k\} \\ \cup \{\{\bar{x}_i, C_k\} \mid \neg x_i \text{ is not a literal in clause } C_k\},$$

$$k = n + 1.$$

The *Integer Programming* problem, INTPROG.

INSTANCE: An integer $m \times n$ matrix A , and an integer m -vector \mathbf{b} .

QUESTION: Does there exist an integer n -vector \mathbf{x} such that $A\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b}$?

THEOREM INTPROG is NP-complete.

Note: INTPROG is in NP but tricky to show!

NP-hardness: Reduction from SAT to INTPROG.

Formally: Let

x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n : variables in ϕ ,
 C_1, C_2, \dots, C_r : clauses of ϕ .

Then for $1 \leq i \leq r$ and $1 \leq j \leq n$ define

$$\alpha_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x_j \text{ occurs in the clause } C_i; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and

$$\beta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \neg x_j \text{ occurs in the clause } C_i; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n be integer variables and consider linear inequalities:

$$z_j \geq 0, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n;$$

$$z_j \leq 1, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n;$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n (\alpha_{ij} z_j + \beta_{ij} (1 - z_j)) \geq 1, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r.$$

The SUBSETSUM problem.

INSTANCE: A finite set X , a positive integer 'size' $s(x)$ for each $x \in X$, and an integer 'goal' b .

QUESTION: Is there a subset $A \subseteq X$ such that $\sum_{x \in A} s(x) = b$?

THEOREM SUBSETSUM is NP-complete.

Reduction from INDSET.

Given: Undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ and positive integer k .

Require: finite set X , positive integer 'size' $s(x)$ for each $x \in X$, and integer 'goal' b s.t.

G has an independent set of size k

\iff there is subset $A \subseteq X$ s.t. $\sum_{x \in A} s(x) = b$.

Formally: Let

$\{v_0, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$: vertex set V of G ,
 $\{e_0, \dots, e_{m-1}\}$: edge set E of G .

Define

$$\begin{aligned} X &= V \cup E, \\ s(e_i) &= 10^i, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq i \leq m-1, \\ s(v_i) &= 10^m + \sum_{e_j \ni v_i} 10^j, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq i \leq n-1, \\ b &= k \times 10^m + 10^{m-1} + 10^{m-2} + \dots + 10^2 \\ &\quad + 10 + 1. \end{aligned}$$

THEOREM If $P \neq NP$ then there are languages in NP that are not in P and are not NP-complete.

GRAPH ISOMORPHISM

INSTANCE: Two undirected graphs $G = (V, E)$ and $G' = (V', E')$.

QUESTION: Are the graphs isomorphic?

Know: GRAPH ISOMORPHISM is in NP (obvious).

Don't Know: If it is NP-complete or in P.

Curious fact: Have *very* few natural problems of such unknown status (hence possibly in NP but not in P.)