

3colorability(G)
 verify yes: poly

NP -complete:
 both NP -hard and NP

Claim: Max Independent Set is NP -hard.

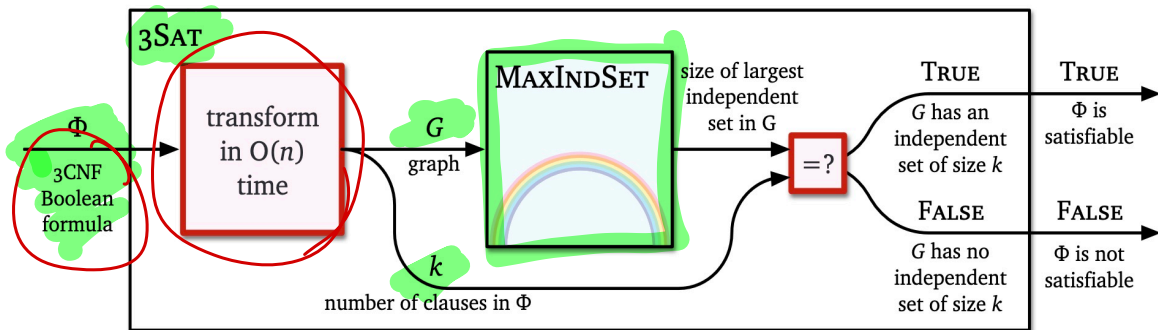
Proof: Reduce known NP -hard problem
3SAT

literal \downarrow literal

$$(a \vee b \vee c) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee b \vee \bar{c})$$

2 clauses
 3 literals

* reduction must
 be polynomial
 time!



Solve 3SAT(Φ)

$G = \text{Transform}(\Phi)$

$k = \# \text{ of clauses in } \Phi$

$n = \text{MaxIndSet}(G)$

if $n = k$:

return T

else:

return F

polynomial
time

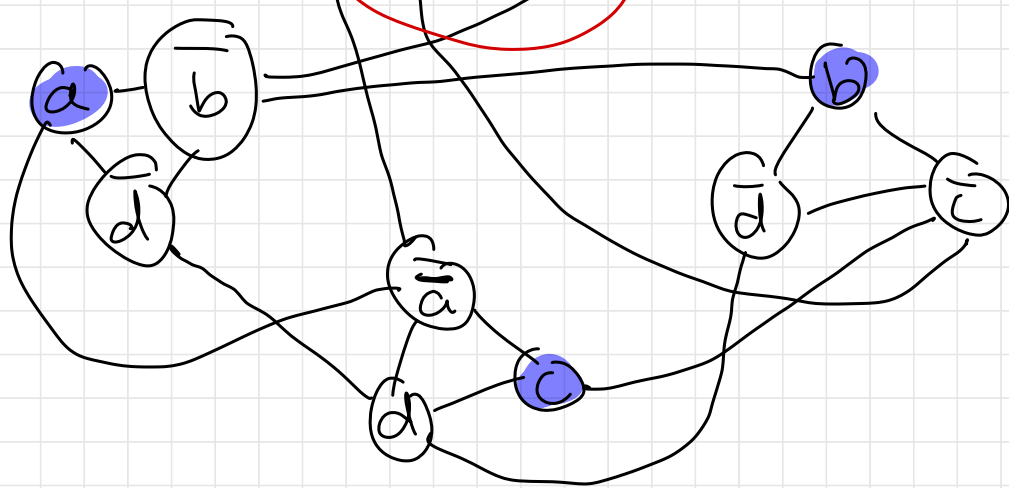
Transform(Φ):

for every clause, create a fully connected group of 3 nodes corresponding to literals in clause.

connect x and \bar{x} for every literal x

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\
 (a \vee b \vee c) \wedge (b \vee \bar{c} \vee \bar{d}) \wedge (\bar{a} \vee c \vee d) \wedge (a \vee \bar{b} \vee \bar{d}) \\
 \text{T T T} & \text{T F F} & \text{F T T} & \text{T F F}
 \end{array}$$

G:  gadgets



WTS: Φ is satisfiable $\Leftrightarrow G$ has a max IS of size k (with k clauses)

\Rightarrow prove if Φ satisfiable, then G has max IS of size k .

Assume Φ has a satisfying assignment.

Fix such a satisfying assignment.

Select one T literal from each clause.

The corresponding nodes form a max independent set in G .

- can't be connected by cross-clause edges

- max size of an IS in G is k since each clause is fully connected.

The max independent set is of size k .

\Leftarrow Assume G has an IS of size k .

Fix such an IS.

The nodes of the IS correspond to a valid truth assignment of Φ , since no x and \bar{x} are selected.

Every clause has a T literal, since no two nodes in a triangle can be selected in IS.

So the set of nodes form a satisfying assignment for Φ .