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# k-colorability (k-coloring)

$$G = (V, E)$$

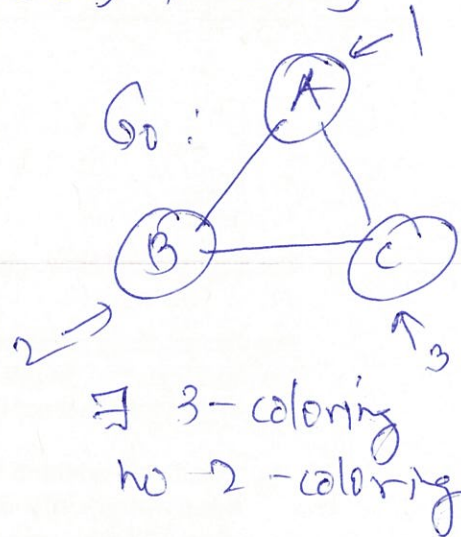
Def: k-coloring  $c: V \rightarrow \{1, \dots, k\}$

s.t.  $\forall (u, w) \in E \quad c(u) \neq c(w)$

Def (k-colorability / k-coloring problem)

Input:  $G = (V, E); k$

o/p:  $\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } G \text{ is } k\text{-colorable} \\ & (\exists \text{ a } k\text{-coloring of } G) \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$



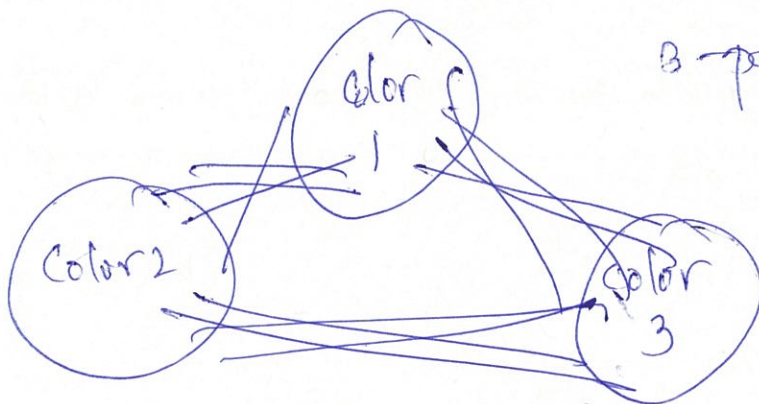
E-g:  $G_0; 3 \checkmark \quad G_0; 2 \times$

Claim 1: k-colorability  $\in NP$

Pf idea: witness:  $c: V \rightarrow \{1, \dots, k\}$

3-colorable graph

k-colorable graph  $\equiv$  k-partite graph

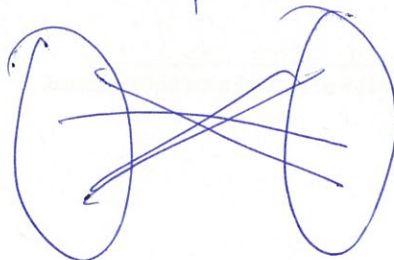


3-partite graph.

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THM: 3-coloring is NP-complete.

2-colorability  $\in P$



Bipartite graphs

THM:  $3\text{-SAT} \leq_p 3\text{-colorability} \leq_p k\text{-colorability}$  ( $k \geq 3$ )  
 $\Rightarrow 3\text{-colorability is NP-complete}$  (book)

PP (idea) Goal: Given a 3-SAT formula  $\Phi = C_1 \wedge \dots \wedge C_m$  on  $X = \{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$

in poly time compute a graph  $G_\Phi$   
 (poly(n,m))

$|\Phi| \leq O(m+n)$  (i)  $|G_\Phi| \leq \text{poly}(n,m)$

$\Phi$  is satisfiable  $\iff G_\Phi$  is 3-colorable.

Algo Sat( $\Phi$ )

1. Convert  $\Phi$  to  $G_\Phi$
2.  $b \leftarrow \text{Algo 3-coloring}(G_\Phi)$
3. Return  $b$

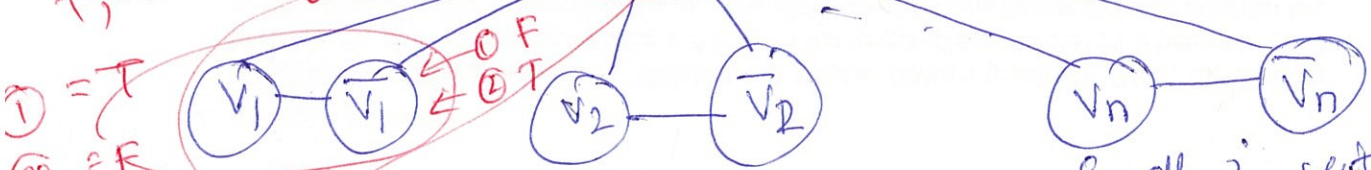
Idea: Use gadgets again ("Δ" like but more complicated)

Step 1:  $G_0$  2n+3 vertices

$v_1, \dots, v_n$   $u_i \equiv X_i$   
 $\bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_n$   $\bar{u}_i \equiv \bar{X}_i$   
 T, F, B

valid 3-coloring  
 Go with assign to  
 different colors  
 T, F, B  
 $c(T) \equiv T$   
 $c(F) \equiv F$   
 $c(B) \equiv B$

Assume  $\exists$  a  
 3-coloring of  
 this graph



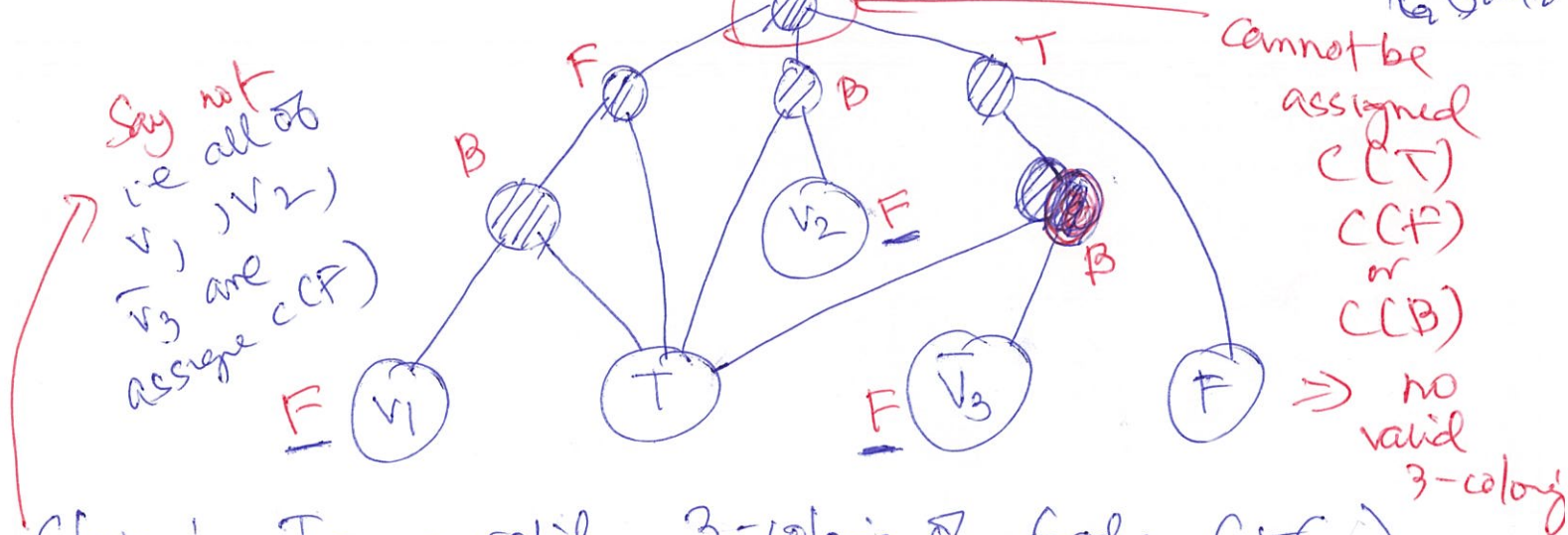
① = T  
 ② = F  
Claim:  $\exists$  a valid 3-coloring of  $G \iff$   
 $\iff$  3-coloring of  $G \iff$  an assignment to  $x_1, \dots, x_n$

for all  $i$  either  
 $c(v_i) = T$  OR  $c(\bar{v}_i) = F$   
 $c(\bar{u}_i) = F$

Step 2: Encode each clause  $C_i$  with a gadget  $Gad_i$  that we "add" to  $G_0$

E.g.:  $C_i = x_1 \vee x_2 \vee \bar{x}_3$

nodes unique to  $Gad_i$



Claim! In a valid 3-coloring of  $Gad_i$ ,  $(+G_0)$  at least  $v_1, v_2$  or  $\bar{v}_3$  is assigned  $C(T)$

$C_i = t_1 \vee t_2 \vee t_3$

(Book defn)

Formal redux!  $\Phi = C_1, \dots, C_m, \wedge X_1, \dots, X_n$

1. Compute  $G_0$  on  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} v_1, \dots, v_n \\ \bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_n \end{array} \right\} + T, B, F$

2. Add  $Gad_i$  to  $G_0$

Results is  $G_\Phi$

THM:  $\Phi$  is satisfiable  $\Leftrightarrow G_\Phi$  is 3-colorable (pf in book)

Final exam until here

Next up: Problems "harder" than NP-complete

# HALTING problem

P, I as strings

Input: Program code P, valid input I for P

Output:  $\begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } P(I) \text{ terminates} \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$

Q: Does  $\exists$  an algo to solve the ~~halt~~ HALTING problem.  
*algo just needs to terminate.*

THM: NO!

Pf: By contradiction

Assume  $\exists$  a algo  $h$  that solves HALTING

$\forall P, I \quad h(P, I) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } P(I) \text{ terminates} \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$

Program  $\leftarrow$  string  
def  $c(X)$ :  
  if  $h(X, X) = 1$ :  
    loop forever  
  else  
    return.

call  $c(c)$

Case 1:  $h(c, c) = 1$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  by def of  $h$   $c$  terminates on  $c$

but as per def of  $c$

$c$  loops forever on  $c$

Case 2:  $h(c, c) = 0$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  by def of  $h$   $c$  loops forever on  $c$

but as per def of  $c$

$c$  terminates on  $c$

$\Rightarrow$  NO such  $h$  exists!  $\square$