

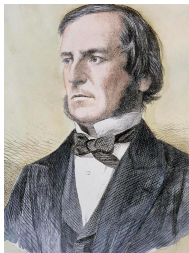
Independent Set

Boolean logic $x, y \in \{\text{TRUE}, \text{FALSE}\} = \{1, 0\}$

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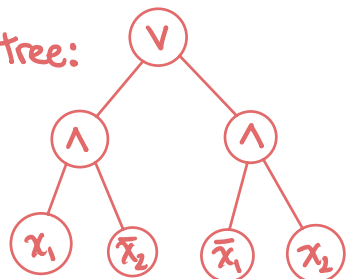
George Boole,
1815-1864

XOR ("exclusive-or")

(TRUE iff $x_1 \neq x_2$)

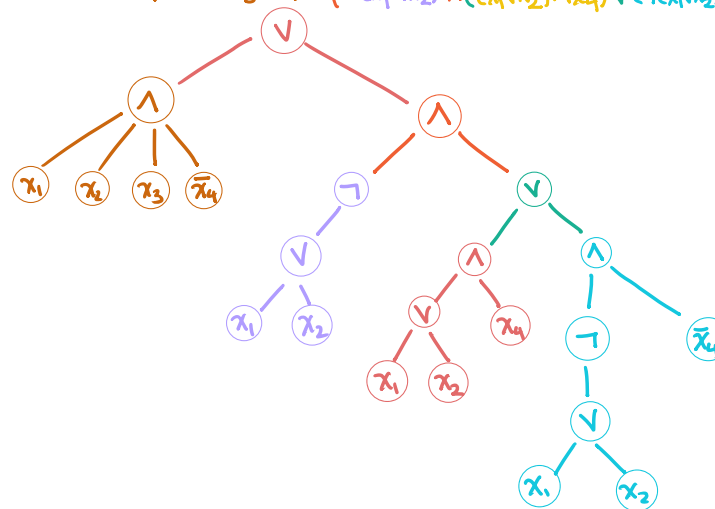
$$f(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 \wedge \bar{x}_2) \vee (\bar{x}_1 \wedge x_2)$$

as a tree:



Adding two bits $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_1 + x_2 = x_3 x_4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (x_1 \wedge x_2 \wedge x_3 \wedge \bar{x}_4) \vee (\neg(x_1 \wedge x_2) \wedge ((x_1 \vee x_2) \wedge x_4) \vee (\neg(x_1 \vee x_2) \wedge \bar{x}_4))$$



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★ "z = x"

"both true or both false"
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"(x=1, y=1) or (x=0, y=0)"
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So Boolean algebra is very expressive

Boolean Satisfiability

Input: Boolean formula $\varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

• n variables • "size" m

e.g. $\varphi(0, 1, 0, 0, \neg, 1, 1) = 0$

Goal: decide if φ is "satisfiable";

i.e., if there exists $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \{0, 1\}$
s.t. $\varphi(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = 1$

"search problem": we can recognize an answer (e.g. satisfying assignment x) when we see it (by evaluating $f(x)$).

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Go The Big Question

Is there a polynomial time algorithm for Boolean satisfiability?

x_2

$x_2 = x_3 x_4$

wise

$x_3 \wedge \bar{x}_4$

x_2

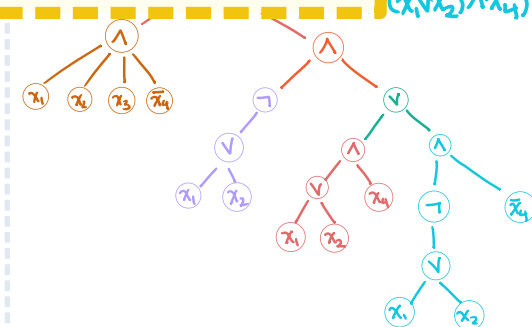
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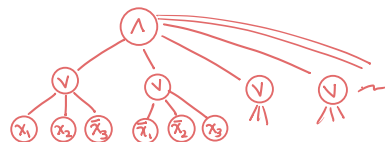
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CNF (Conjunctive Normal Form)

"and-of-or's"


$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) =$$
$$(\bar{x}_1 \vee x_2 \vee \bar{x}_3) \wedge (\bar{x}_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee x_3) \wedge (m \vee n) \wedge m$$

(CNF-) SAT problem

Given boolean formula ϕ in CNF, decide if ϕ is satisfiable

More modest Question

Is there a polynomial time algorithm for CNF-satisfiability?

Theorem: there is a poly-time algo for Boolean SAT iff there is a poly-time algo for CNF-SAT.

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★ "Z=X"

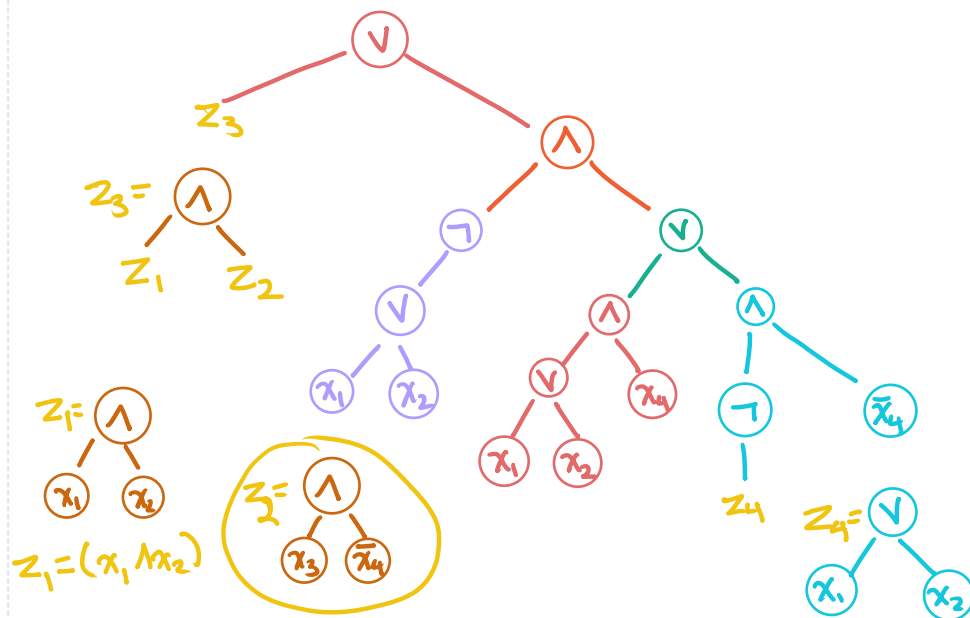
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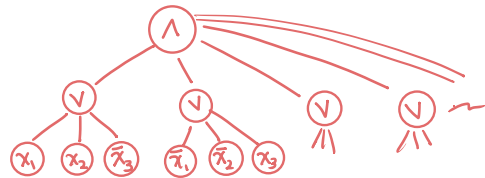
$$"(x=1, y=1) \text{ or } (x=0, y=1)"$$
$$(x \wedge y) \vee (\bar{x} \wedge z)$$
$$= (x \vee \bar{x}) \wedge (y \vee \bar{x}) \wedge (x \vee z) \wedge (x \vee \bar{z})$$
$$= (y \vee \bar{x}) \wedge (x \vee z) \wedge (x \vee \bar{z})$$

So CNF is also very expressive



more special case: 3-SAT

like CNF-SAT, except w/ exactly 3 variables per clause.



$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) =$$

$$(\bar{x}_1 \vee x_2 \vee \bar{x}_3) \wedge (\bar{x}_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee x_3) \wedge (\neg x_1 \vee \neg x_2 \vee \neg x_3) \wedge \dots$$

"clause"

Is there a polytime algo for 3SAT?

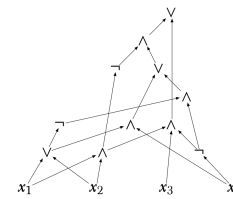
Theorem: there is a poly-time algo for Boolean SAT iff there is a poly-time algo for 3-SAT.

Conclusion

We want, but don't have, polynomial time algos for

Boolean SAT, CNF SAT, 3-SAT, or Circuit SAT

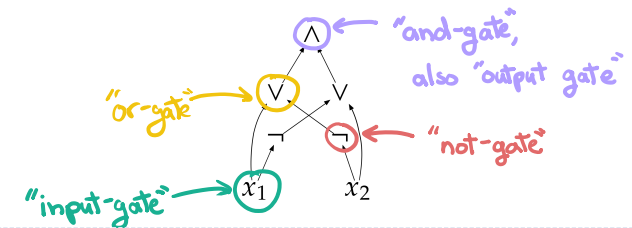
But we do know they are equivalent up to polynomial time!



(definition)

logical gates arranged as vertices in a directed acyclic graph

"gates": take some inputs bits, output 1 bit



Circuit SAT

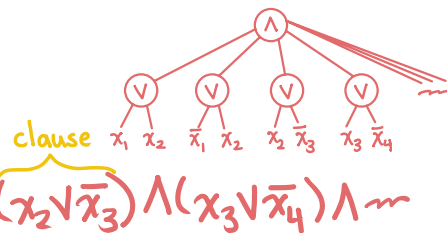
given a circuit, decide if it is satisfiable

Theorem: there is a poly-time algo for Boolean SAT iff there is a poly-time algo for Circuit SAT

2-SAT

like CNF-SAT, except w/ exactly 2 variables per clause.

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) =$$



$$(x_1 \vee x_2) \wedge (\bar{x}_1 \vee x_2) \wedge (x_2 \vee \bar{x}_3) \wedge (x_3 \vee \bar{x}_4) \wedge \dots$$

Max 2-SAT

like 2-SAT, except goal is to satisfy
maximum number of clauses.
(not necessarily all)

Is there a polytime algo for Max 2-SAT?

let C be a sink SCC.

Complement $\bar{C}$ is a source SCC (why?)



Assign (all literals in) $C = \text{true}$, $\bar{C} = \text{false}$

Remove C and $\bar{C}$ and recurse on
remaining SCC's

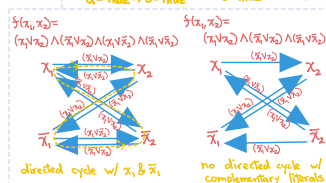
Key idea: assigning sinks to be true,
sources to be false
does not violate any edges

Implication graph

• vertex for each $x_i, \bar{x}_i$

• for clause $(a \vee b)$,

$\bar{a} \xrightarrow{(a \vee b)} b$ $\bar{b} \xrightarrow{(a \vee b)} a$
"a = TRUE $\Rightarrow$ b = TRUE" "b = TRUE $\Rightarrow$ a = TRUE"



all literals in SCC have same assignment



each SCC C has complement SCC $\bar{C}$
w/ negated literals & reversed edges

Polytime Algo

Hard as SAT^(CNF)

Abstain

2SAT

66%

44%

2

Max 2-SAT

60%

35%

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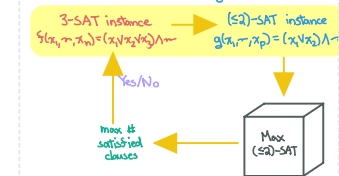
Fix a clause $(a \vee b \vee c)$
introduce new variable y

consider the 10 clauses

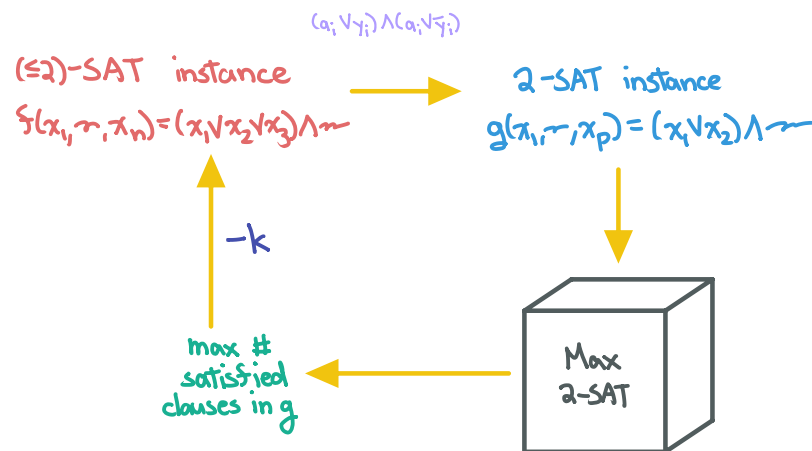
$(a), (b), (c), (\bar{a} \vee \bar{b}), (\bar{b} \vee \bar{c}), (\bar{c} \vee \bar{a}),$
 $(y), (a \vee \bar{y}), (b \vee \bar{y}), (c \vee \bar{y})$

$(a, b, c) =$	(f, f, f)	(t, f, f)	(t, t, f)	(t, t, t)
$(a), (b), (c)$	0	1	2	3
$(\bar{a} \vee \bar{b}), (\bar{b} \vee \bar{c}), (\bar{c} \vee \bar{a})$	3	3	2	0
$\max_{y \in \{t, f\}} (y), (a \vee \bar{y}), (b \vee \bar{y}), (c \vee \bar{y})$	3	3	3	4
total	6	7	7	7

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Subset Sum

Input: $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{N}, T \in \mathbb{N}$
Goal: find a subset of x_i 's that sum to T
(decision version: decide if such a subset sum exists)
e.g. 14, 13, 17, 7, 18, 18, 10, 4, 11, 10
T=52

Another "search" problem

	Polytime Algo	Hard as SAT (CNF)	Abstain
Subset Sum	10%	30%	○

★Dynamic Programming★

Recursive Spec
(Subset Sum)
SS(i, S) = TRUE if there is a subset of $x_1, \dots, x_n$ summing to S, and FALSE otherwise

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Implementation

SS(i, S)
1. If $S < 0$ then return FALSE
2. If $S = 0$ then return TRUE
3. If $n = 0$ then return FALSE
4. Return $SS(i+1, S) \vee SS(i+1, S - x_i)$

Running time:
 $O(nT)$ subproblems
 $O(1)$ time per subproblem

 $O(nT)$ time overall

Theorem: A polytime algo for subset-sum implies a polytime algo for SAT

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Literals $x = \{x_1, \bar{x}_1, \dots, x_n, \bar{x}_n\}$ $\leftrightarrow$ Long #'s $\{A_1, \bar{A}_1, \dots, A_m, \bar{A}_m\}$ and $\{B_1, \bar{B}_1, \dots, B_n, \bar{B}_n\}$
3-SAT instance $S(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (x_1 \vee x_2 \vee x_3) \wedge \dots$
T = 33 $\xrightarrow{m \text{ clauses}}$ 3 $\xrightarrow{n \text{ variables}}$ 1 1 1 1
 $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p \in \mathbb{N}$
T ∈ $\mathbb{N}$

Yes/No for $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p \in \mathbb{N}$
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2. Start making #'s:
- we use mtn digits base 4
- for the literal x_j :

$A_j = \underbrace{0 \ 1 \ 1}_{m \text{ slots for each clause}} \underbrace{0 \ 0 \ 1}_{n \text{ slots for each variable}}$
(models) x_j

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Subset Sum

1. Recast 3SAT as "subset" problem
 $X = \text{literals } \{x_1, \bar{x}_1, x_2, \bar{x}_2, \dots, x_n, \bar{x}_n\}$
clause $(x_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee x_3) = \text{set } \{x_1, \bar{x}_2, x_3\} \subseteq X$
Goal: Find SCX st.
ⓐ for each clause $C_i, C_i \cap S = \emptyset$
ⓑ for each x_j, S contains 1 of $\{x_j, \bar{x}_j\}$ (not $\bar{x}_j$)

• for each clause C_i , set C_i th digit to 1 if $x_j \in C_i$, else 0
• set " x_j th digit" to 1, else 0

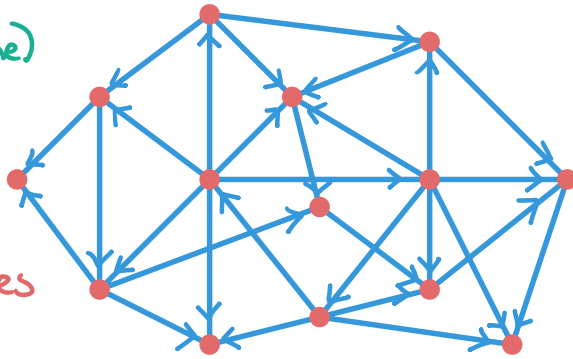
(vertices cannot repeat)

today: longest path problem

(eg. # edges)

find the (length of the) longest path in G

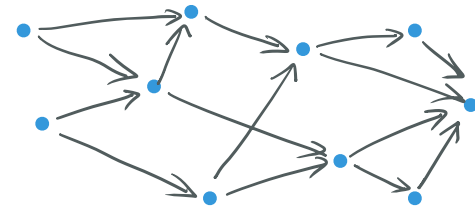
Hamiltonian path:
path visiting all vertices



does G have a Hamiltonian path?

related problems: longest walk, shortest paths

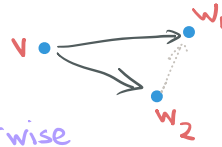
Longest walk in DAGs



Recursion

$LW(v)$ = length of Longest Walk from v

$$LW(v) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v \text{ is a sink} \\ 1 + \max_{(v,w) \in E} LW(w) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



Running time w/ caching

$$\sum_{v \in V} (\text{time for } LW(v)) = \sum_{v \in V} 1 + \deg^+(v) = O(m+n)$$

Three settings:

1. DAG

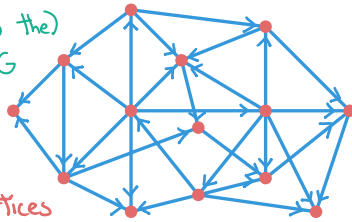
2. Directed

3. Undirected

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Polytime Algo Hard as SAT (CNF) Abstain lions

DAG

90%

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≥3

Directed

15%

85% - 1

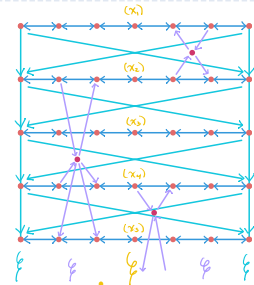
Undirected

0%

99%

Theorem 7.1. A polynomial time algorithm for the Hamiltonian path problem implies a polynomial time algorithm for SAT.

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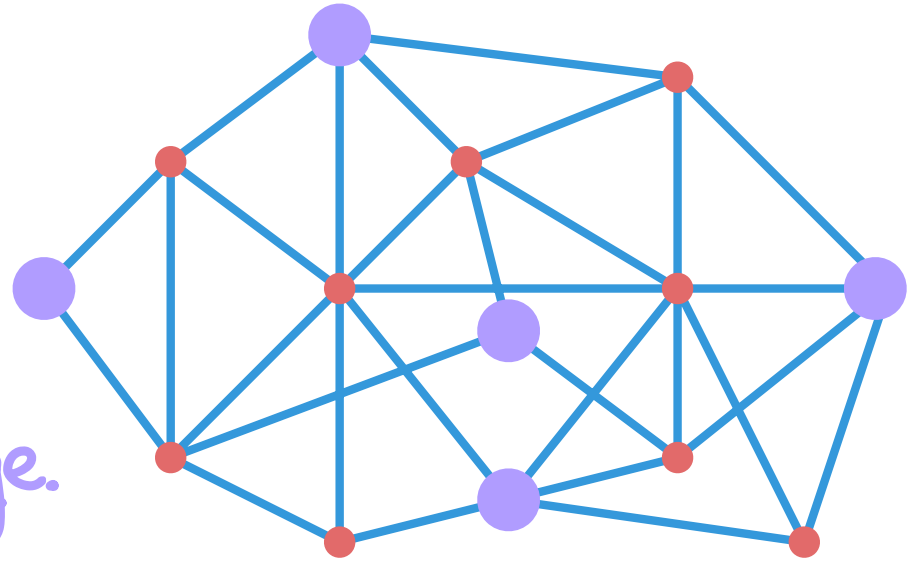
Hamiltonian path solver

Independent set

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(optionally) weights $w: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

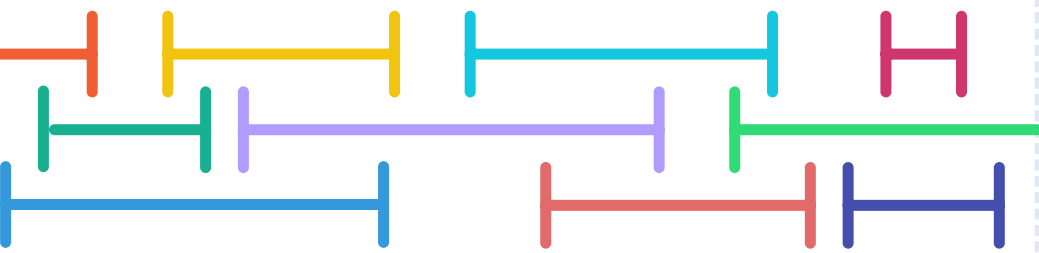
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 $u,v \in S$ are connected by an edge.

Goal: max weight independent set
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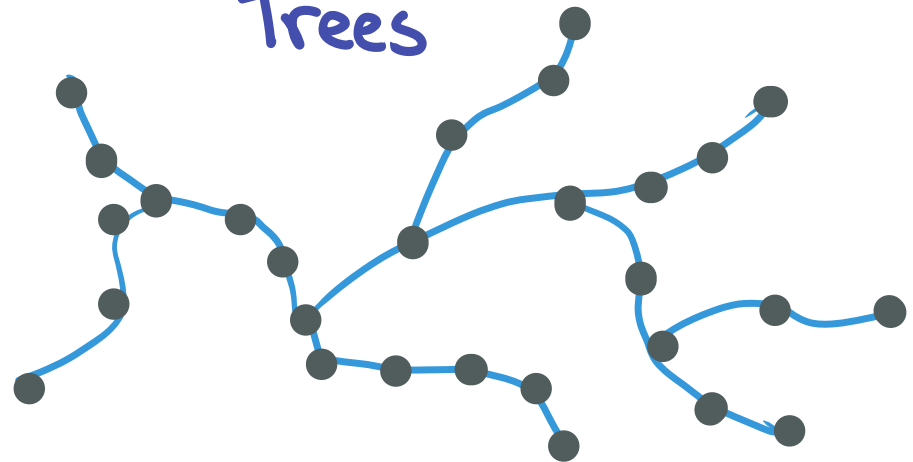
Special cases:

intervals



"independent" = non-overlapping

trees



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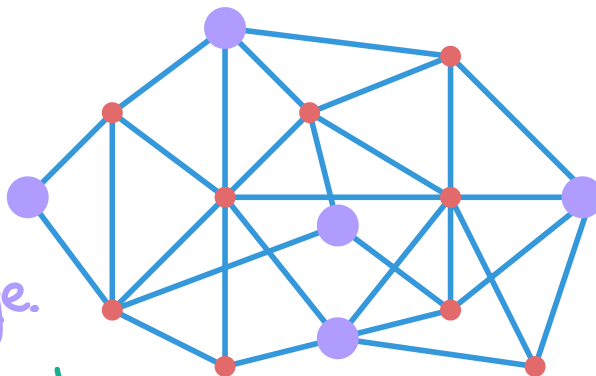
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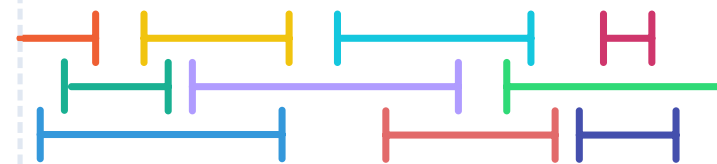
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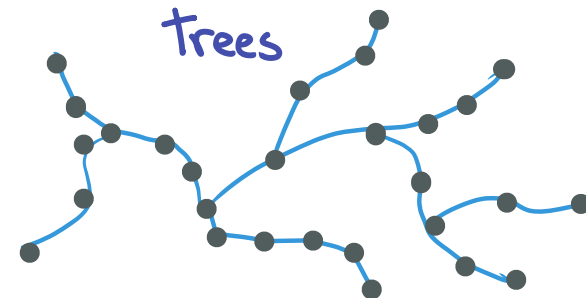
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Hard as SAT
Polytime algo

Abstain

Independent set in { graphs, intervals, trees }

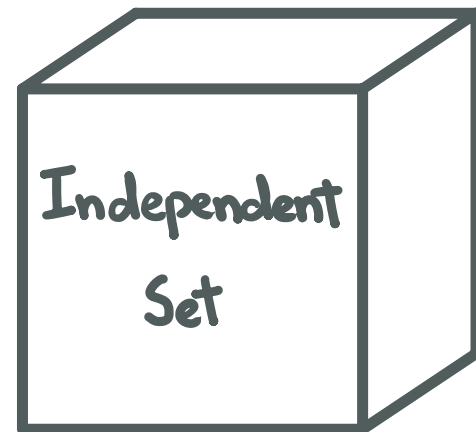
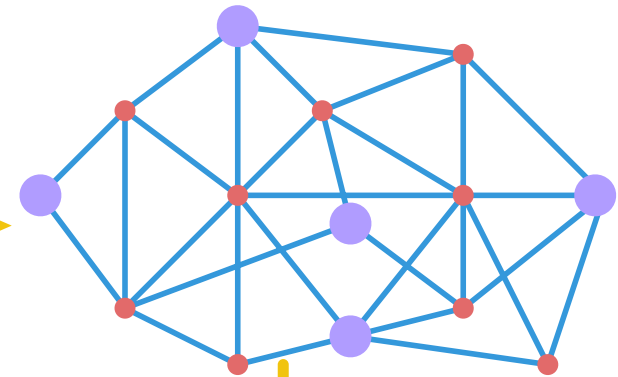
Theorem: A polytime algo for max
(unweighted)
cardinality independent set implies a
polytime algo for SAT

Proof setup

3-SAT instance

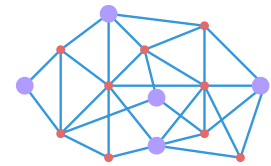
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there is/isn't an
independent set
of size k



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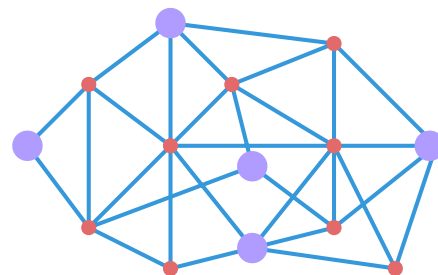


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Goal: transform

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 $\mathcal{F}(x_1, \neg, x_n) = (x_1 \vee x_2 \vee x_3) \wedge \dots$



st. size of max indep. set informs satisfiability of $\mathcal{F}$

e.g.

$\left(\begin{array}{c} \mathcal{F} \text{ is} \\ \text{satisfiable} \end{array} \right) \Leftrightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{there is indep.} \\ \text{set of size } k \end{array} \right)$

(for some k TBD)

ideas?

clause gadgets

SAT

Graphs

literals
(in clauses)



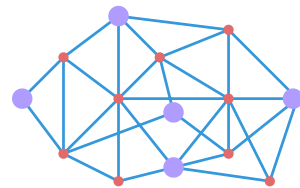
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clauses



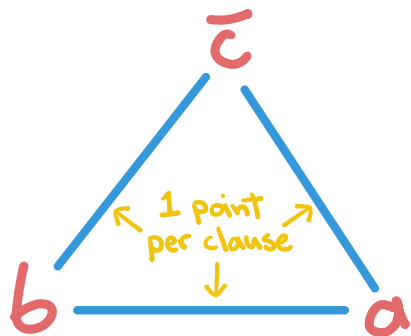
triangles

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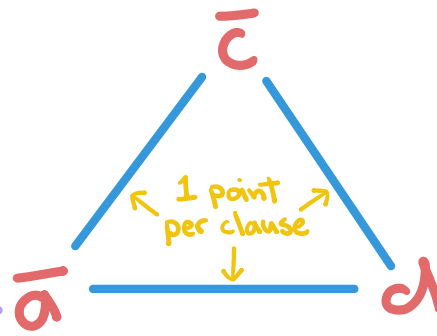


$\left(\mathcal{S} \text{ is satisfiable} \right) \Leftrightarrow \left(\text{there is indep. set of size } k \right)$
(for some k TBD)

$a \vee b \vee \bar{c}$

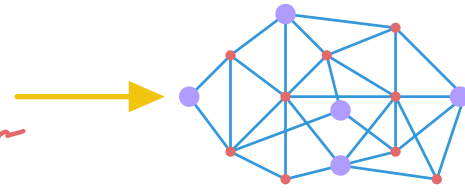


$\bar{a} \vee \bar{c} \vee d$



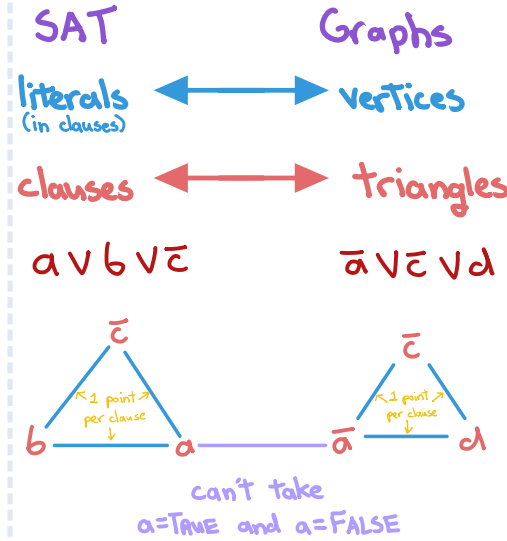
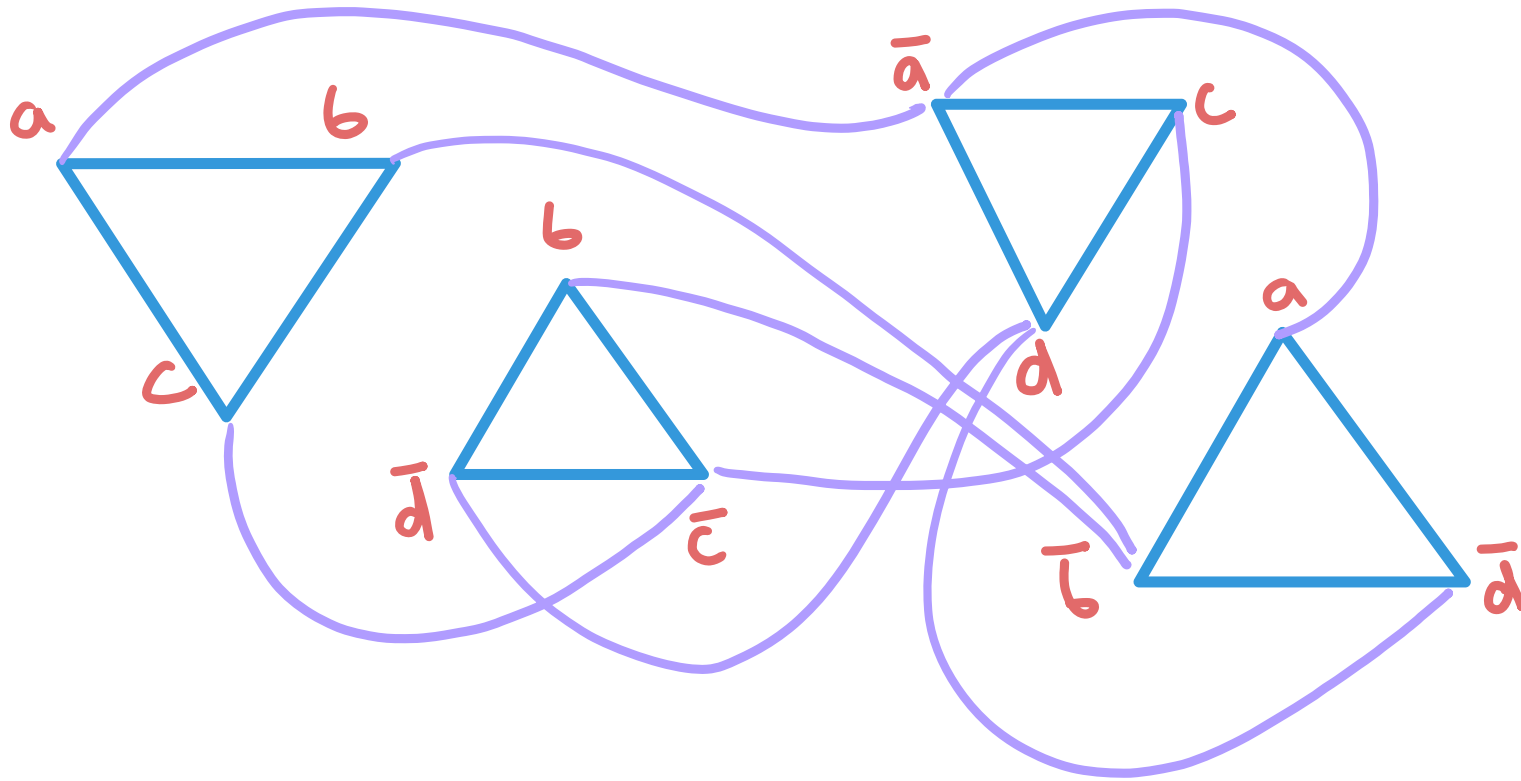
can't take
 $a = \text{TRUE}$ and $a = \text{FALSE}$

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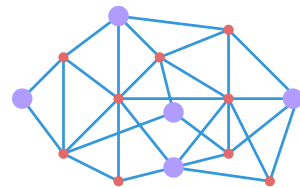


$m \text{ clauses} \rightarrow m \text{ triangles}$

claim: $\mathcal{F}$ is satisfiable iff there
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 (where m is the # of clauses)

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3-SAT instance
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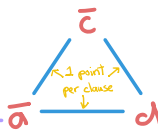
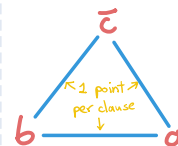
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SAT $\longleftrightarrow$ Graphs
 literals (in clauses) $\longleftrightarrow$ vertices

clauses $\longleftrightarrow$ triangles

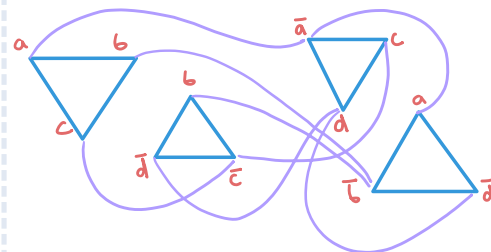
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$\bar{a} \vee \bar{c} \vee d$



can't take
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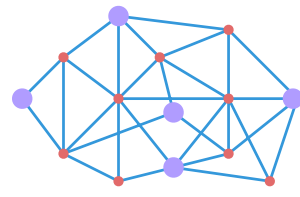
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m clause $\rightarrow m$ triangles

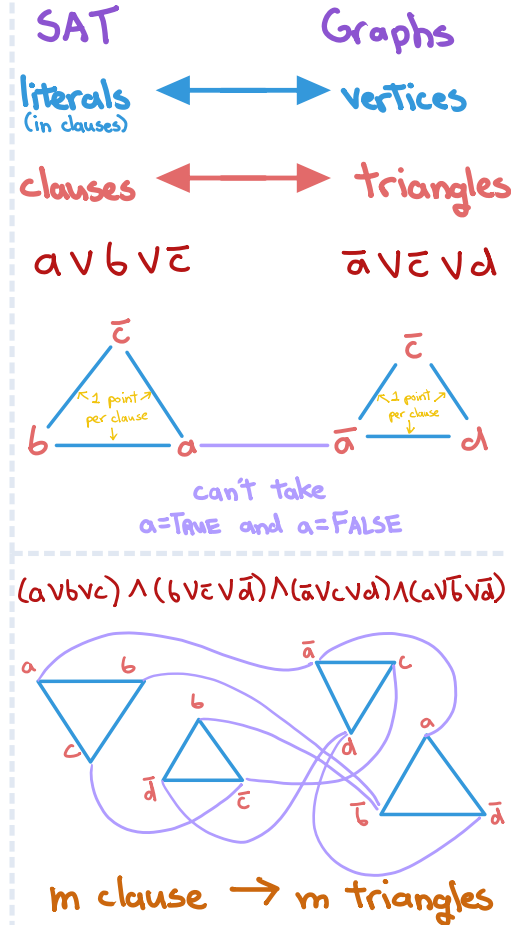
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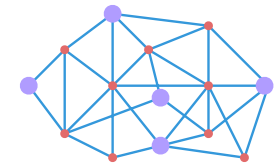
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Theorem: A polytime algo for max
(unweighted)
cardinality independent set implies a
polytime algo for SAT

Proof setup

Independent set
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(optionally) weights $w: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$



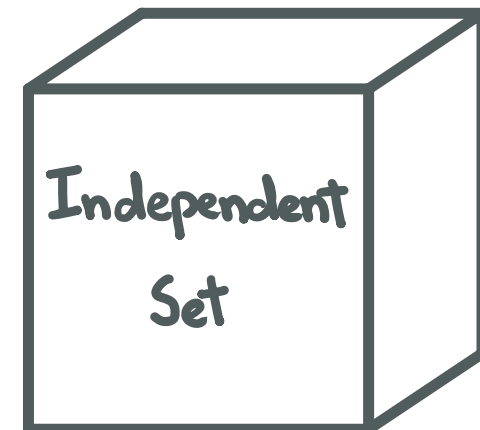
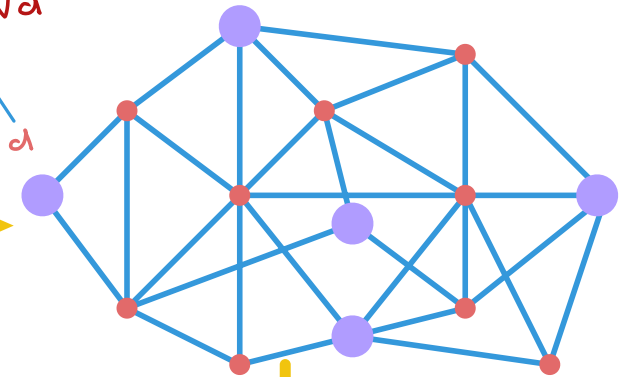
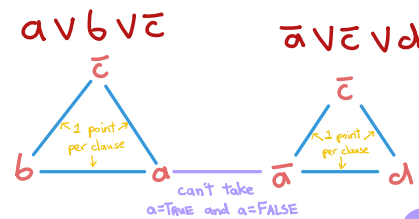
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There is/isn't an
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of size m



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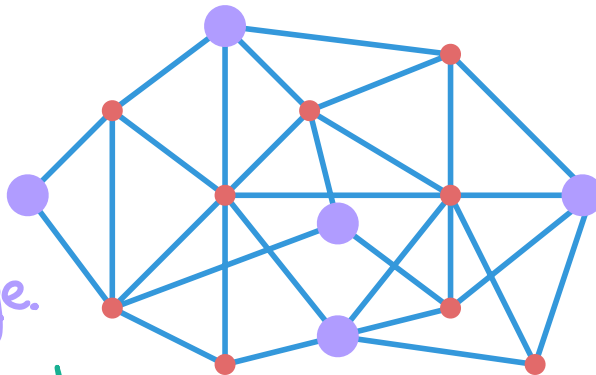
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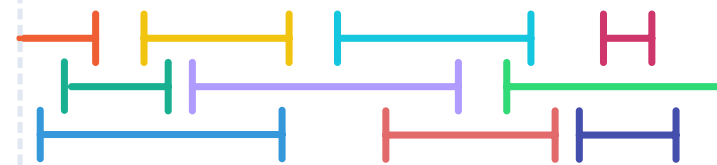
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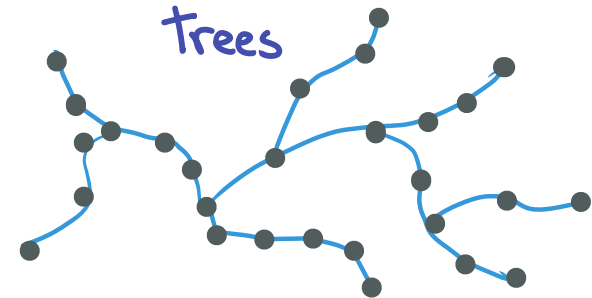
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intervals



"independent" = non-overlapping

trees



Independent set in { graphs, intervals, trees }

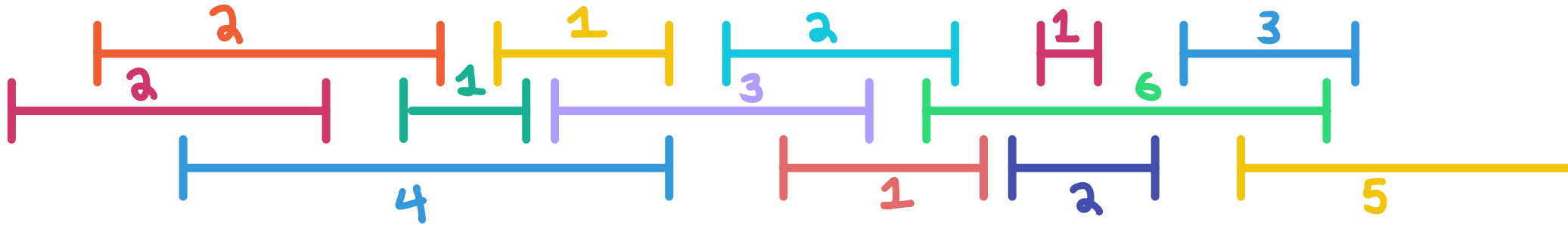
Hard as SAT Polytime algo

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	intervals		
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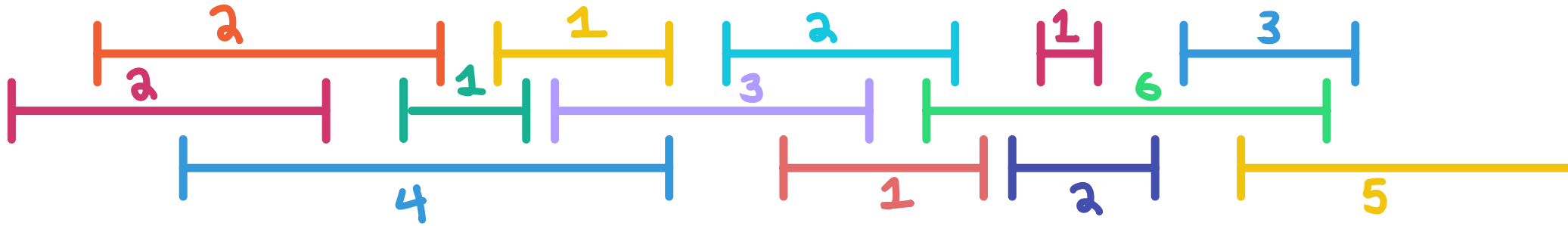
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ideas?

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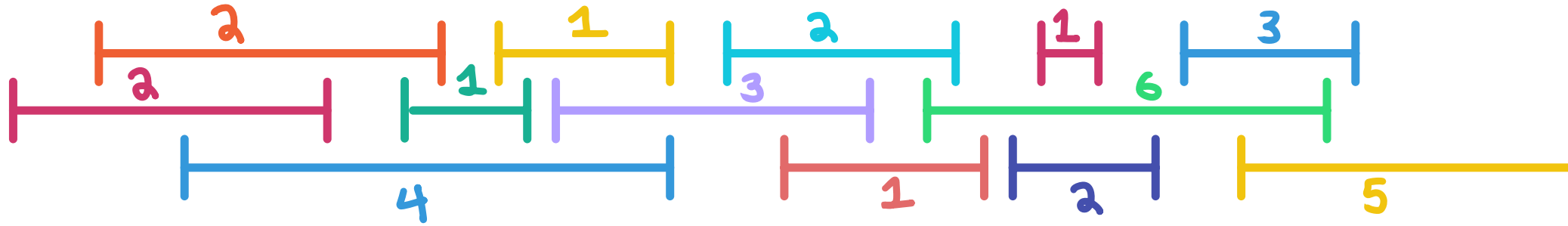
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Implementation:

$MWIS(I)$

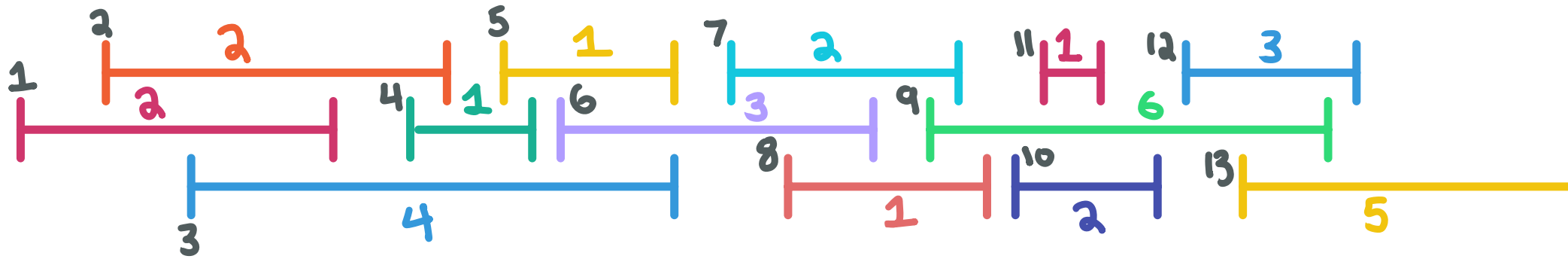
1. if $I = \emptyset$ return 0.
2. let $I \in I$ be any interval.
3. return max of
 - a. $MWIS(I \setminus \{I\})$
 - b. $\text{weight}(I) + MWIS(I')$ w/ $I' = \text{intervals disjoint from } I$

Running time

$$T(n) = 2T(n-1) + O(1) = 2^n$$

how to make this faster?

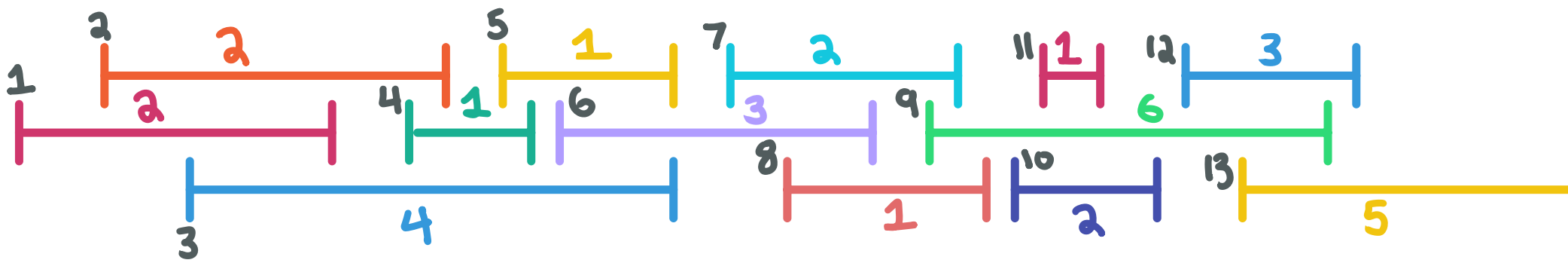
Idea: make problem "sequential" by sorting intervals



let $I_1=[a_1, b_1]$, $I_2=[a_2, b_2]$, ..., $I_n=[a_n, b_n]$ number the intervals in increasing order of left endpoint a_i

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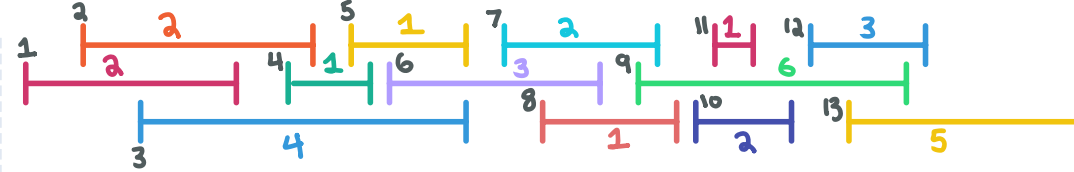
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$\max \begin{cases} MWIS(k+1) \\ \text{weight}(I_k) + MWIS(l) \end{cases}$ otherwise

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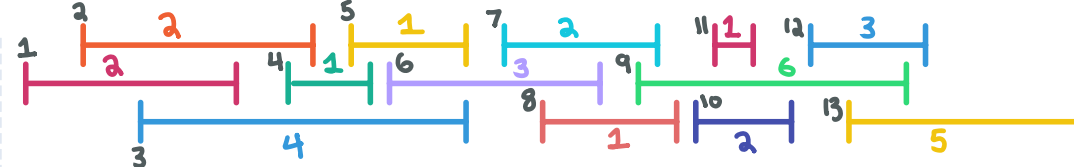
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↙ binary search!

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$O(n \log n)$ to sort

$O(n)$ subproblems $\times O(\log n)$ time per problem

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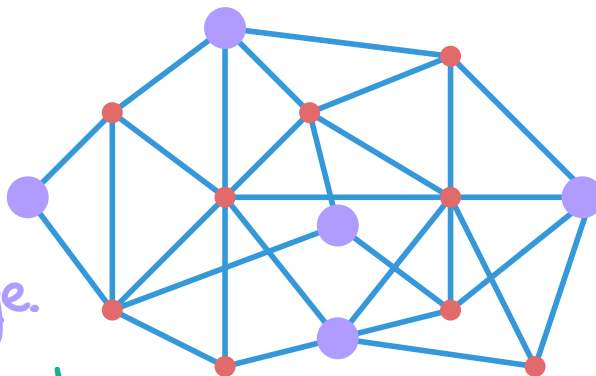
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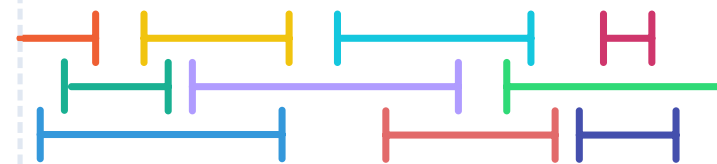
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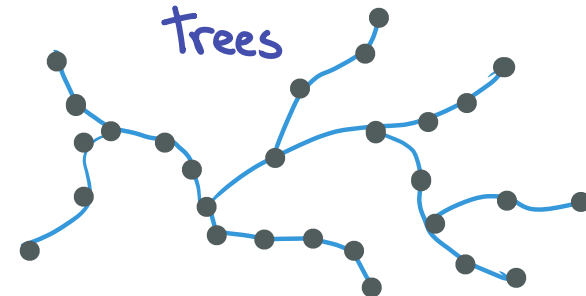
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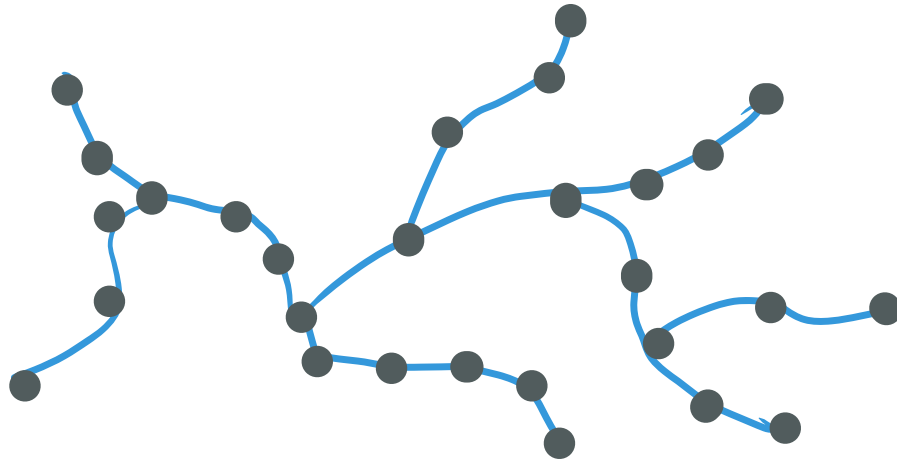
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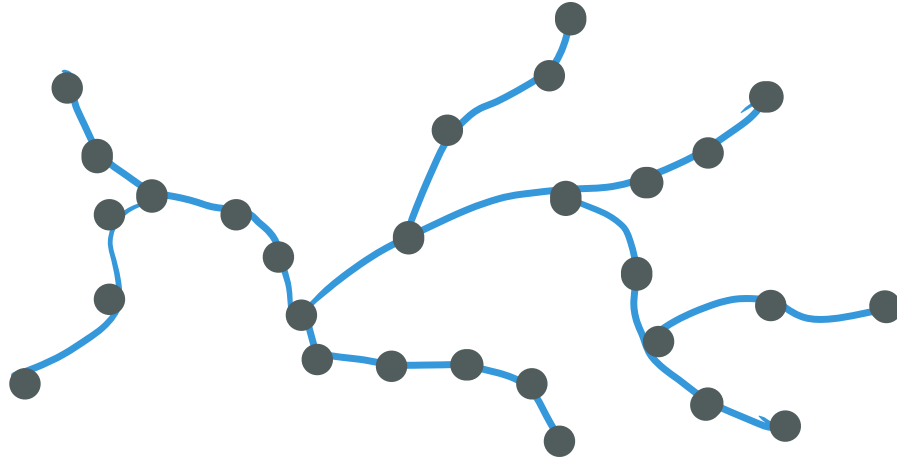
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MWIS in trees



ideas?

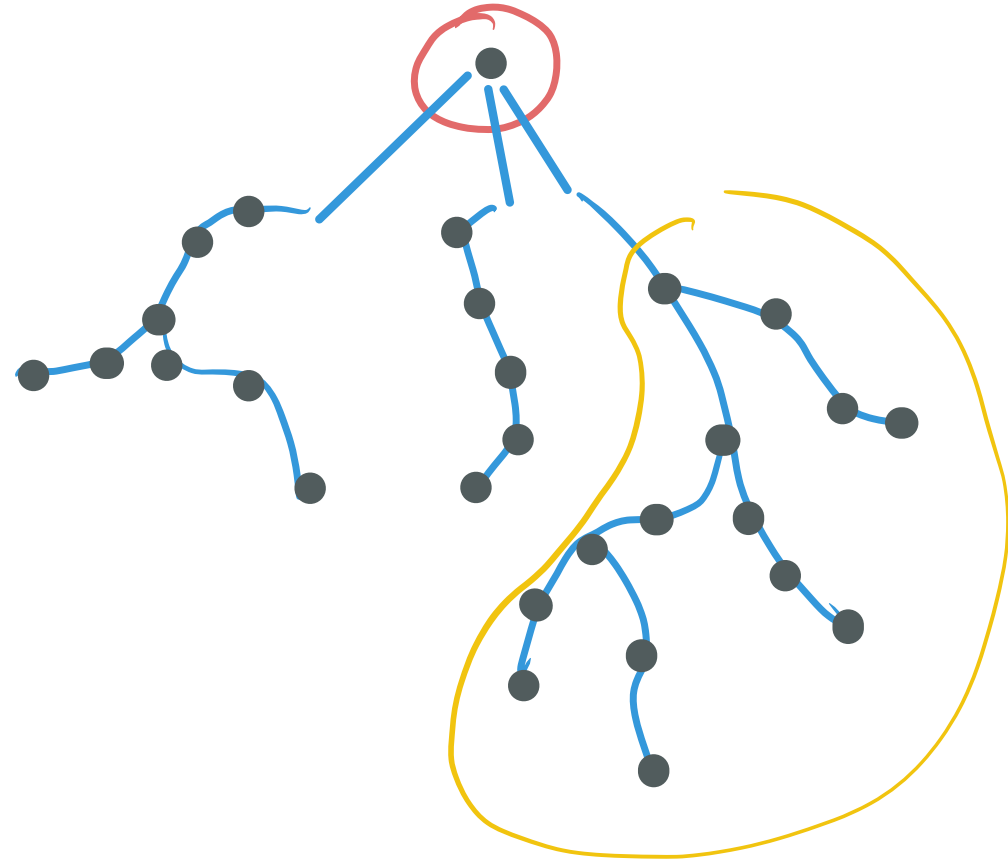
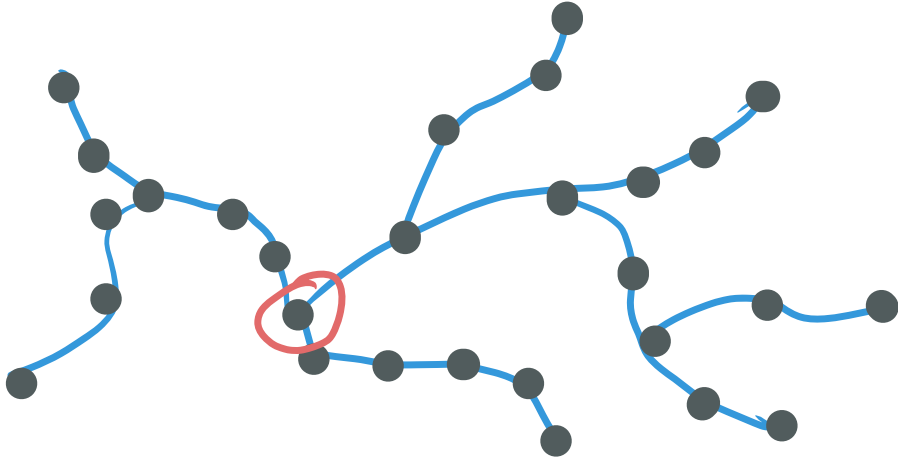
MWIS in trees



ideas?

how to order subproblems?

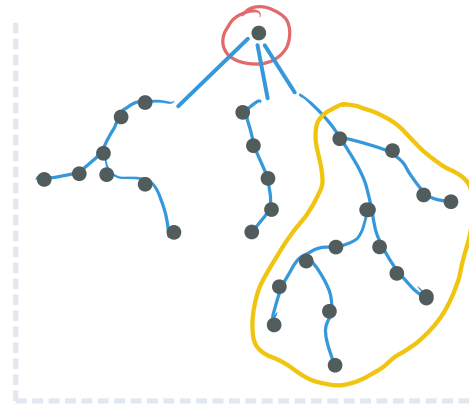
Root it!



Subtree
(= subproblem)

Recursive Spec:

$MWIS(v)$ = MWIS of the subtree rooted at v

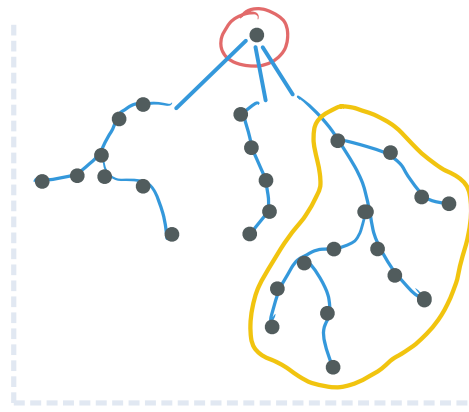


Recursive implementation

Recursive Spec:

$MWIS(v, \text{exclude-root}^{(\text{flag})}) =$

MWIS of the subtree rooted at v , excluding v if exclude-root is true.



Recursive implementation

$MWIS(v, \text{exclude-root}) =$

if exclude-root then return sum of $MWIS(x, \text{false})$ over all children x of v

else return max of $MWIS(v, \text{true})$

and $\text{weight}(v) + \sum_{\text{children } x} MWIS(x, \text{true})$

Running time

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_v \left(\text{time for } MWIS(v, T/F) \right) \\ &= \sum_v O(\# \text{ children of } v) \\ &= O(n) \end{aligned}$$