

Computational Models Spring 11: Lecture 13

- More **Poly-Time** Reductions:
- $3SAT \leq_P \text{DirHamPath}$
- $3SAT \leq_P \text{SUBSET-SUM}$
- $\text{SUBSET-SUM} \leq_P \text{PARTITION}$ (**not** in book)
- $\text{PARTITION} \leq_P \text{BIN_PACKING}$ (**not** in book)
- $3SAT \leq_P \text{IP}$ (**not** in book)
- Sipser, Chapter 7, Section 7.5

The Language SAT (reminder)

Definition: A Boolean formula is in **conjunctive normal form** (CNF) if it consists of **clauses**, connected with \wedge s. Each **clause** is a **disjunction** (\vee s) of **literals**.

For example $(x_1 \vee \overline{x_2} \vee \overline{x_3} \vee x_4) \wedge (x_3 \vee \overline{x_5} \vee x_6) \wedge (x_3 \vee \overline{x_6})$

Definition: **SAT** = $\{\langle \phi \rangle \mid \phi \text{ is satisfiable CNF formula}\}$

3SAT (reminder)

Definition: A Boolean formula is in **3CNF form** if it is a **CNF** formula, and each clause has at most **three literals**.

$$(x_1 \vee \overline{x_2} \vee \overline{x_3}) \wedge (x_3 \vee \overline{x_5} \vee x_6) \wedge (x_3 \vee \overline{x_6} \vee x_4)$$

Define

$$\mathbf{3SAT} = \{ \langle \phi \rangle \mid \phi \text{ is satisfiable 3CNF formula} \}$$

Clearly, if ϕ is a satisfiable 3CNF formula, then for any satisfying assignment of ϕ , every clause must contain at least one literal assigned 1.

NPC – Reminder

A language \mathcal{B} is **NP-complete** if it satisfies

- $\mathcal{B} \in NP$, and
- **Every** \mathcal{A} in NP is polynomial time reducible to \mathcal{B} .

coNP-Completeness (analog notion)

A language \mathcal{C} is **coNP-complete** if it satisfies

- $\mathcal{C} \in \text{coNP}$ (namely its complement is in NP), and
- For every \mathcal{D} in coNP, $\mathcal{D} \leq_P \mathcal{C}$.

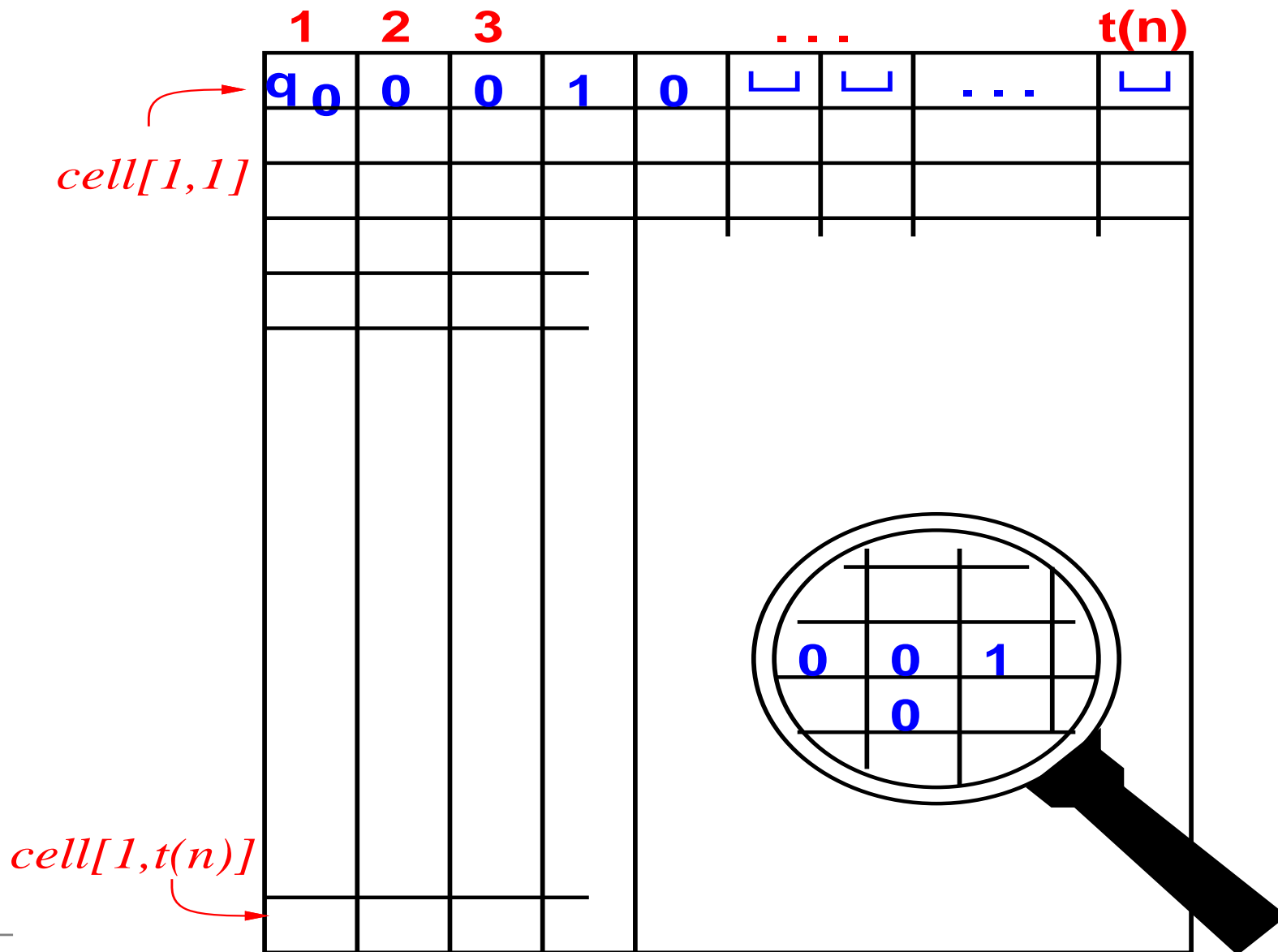
Cook-Levin (early 70s)

Theorem: SAT is NP complete.

Prf.: Membership ($SAT \in NP$) is easy, using satisfying assignment as certificate.

- Hard part is showing that **every** NP problem reduces to SAT in poly-time.
- **Idea:** Suppose $\mathcal{L} \in \mathcal{NP}$, and M is an NTM that accepts \mathcal{L} .
- On input w of length n , M runs in time $t(n) = n^c$.
- We consider the n^c -by- n^c **tableau** that describes the computation of M on input w .

The Tableau



Saw a Few Reductions So Far

- $\text{SAT} \leq_P \text{3SAT}$ (\Rightarrow **3SAT** is NP-complete)
- $\text{3SAT} \leq_P \text{Clique}$ (\Rightarrow **Clique** is NP-complete)
- $\text{Clique} \leq_P \text{Independent Set}$ (\Rightarrow **IS** is NP-complete)
- In recitation: $\text{Clique} \leq_P \text{Vertex Cover}$ (\Rightarrow **VC** is NP-complete)
- $\text{DirHamPath} \leq_P \text{DirHamCircuit}$
- $\text{DirHamCircuit} \leq_P \text{DirTSP}$

- Will now show $\text{3SAT} \leq_P \text{DirHamPath}$, thus establishing **NP-completeness** of DirHamPath, DirHamCircuit, and DirTSP.

Directed Hamiltonian Path

For any 3CNF formula ϕ ,

- we construct a directed graph G
- with vertices s and t
- such that ϕ is satisfiable iff there is a directed Hamiltonian path from s to t .

Directed Hamiltonian Path

Here is a 3CNF formula ϕ :

$$(a_1 \vee b_1 \vee c_1) \wedge (a_2 \vee b_2 \vee c_2) \wedge \cdots \wedge (a_k \vee b_k \vee c_k) \wedge$$

where

- each a_i, b_i, c_i is x_i or $\overline{x_i}$
- the ℓ clauses are C_1, \dots, C_ℓ ,
- the k variables are x_1, \dots, x_k .

DirHamPath: NP Completeness Proof

Turn to a separate pdf presentation:

<http://tau-cm.wdfiles.com/local--files/course-schedule/ham-reduction.pdf>

Reminder: SUBSET-SUM

An instance of the problem

- A collection of numbers in binary/decimal, r_1, \dots, r_k
- Target number t
- Question: does some subcollection add up to t ?

$$\text{SUBSET-SUM} = \{ \langle S, t \rangle \mid S = \{r_1, \dots, r_k\} \\ \exists T \subseteq \{1, \dots, k\} \sum_{j \in T} r_j = t \}$$

Collections are multi-sets: repetitions are allowed.

Subset Sum

Theorem: SUBSET-SUM is NP-complete.

Must demonstrate

- **SUBSET-SUM** $\in NP$
- every $A \in NP$ poly-time reducible to **SUBSET-SUM**.

Note that

- we have already seen the first (the subset is the certificate),
- we will now show that **3SAT** \leq_P **SUBSET-SUM**.

Subset Sum

For every 3-CNF formula, ϕ , we generate a SUBSET-SUM instance:

- Construct very large numbers in decimal notation (binary would work as well, but not unary).
- For each variable x_i of the formula ϕ , the set S contains a pair of numbers y_i, z_i .
- To “hit” the target, t , we will have to choose exactly one of these y_i, z_i :
Take y_i if x_i is assigned **T**, take z_i if **F**.

Subset Sum

For every 3-CNF formula, ϕ , we generate a SUBSET-SUM instance:

- Construct very large numbers in decimal notation (binary would work as well, but not unary).
- For each clause C_j of the formula ϕ , the set S contains a pair of equal numbers g_j, h_j .
- If ϕ has ℓ variables x_1, \dots, x_ℓ and k clauses C_1, \dots, C_k , all numbers y_i, z_i, g_j, h_j are $\ell + k$ digits long.
- Clauses will also correspond to distinct positions in the decimal representations of these numbers.

Subset Sum

Let ϕ be a boolean formula with

- variables x_1, \dots, x_ℓ
- clauses C_1, \dots, C_k .

We construct a table whose rows are $2\ell + 2k$ numbers in decimal notation.

Subset Sum

Rows of table are labeled with

- variable encodings: $y_1, z_1, y_2, z_2, \dots, y_\ell, z_\ell,$
- clause encodings: $g_1, h_1, g_2, h_2, \dots, g_k, h_k,$
- goal t

Subset Sum

Each x_i encoded as y_i, z_i .

Decimal representation has two parts.

- left-hand part: digit i is 1, rest 0
- right-hand part: one digit for each clause
 - j^{th} digit of y_i is 1 if C_i contains x_i
 - j^{th} digit of z_i is 1 if C_i contains $\overline{x_i}$

Subset Sum Mapping: Example

$$(x_1 \vee \overline{x_2} \vee \dots) \wedge \dots \wedge (\overline{x_1} \vee \overline{x_2} \vee \dots)$$

	1	2	...	ℓ	C_1	...	C_k
y_1	1	0	...	0	1	...	0
z_1	1	0	...	0	0	...	1
y_2	0	1	...	0	0	...	0
z_2	0	1	...	0	1	...	1

Subset Sum

S also contains g_j and h_j for each clause C_j

- they are equal
- digit $\ell + j$ is 1, rest are 0.

	1	...	ℓ	C_1	C_2	...	C_k
\vdots							
g_1	0	...	0	1	0	...	0
h_1	0	...	0	1	0	...	0
g_2	0	...	0	0	1	...	0
h_2	0	...	0	0	1	...	0

Subset Sum

Bottom line of table is goal t

- first ℓ digits are 1
- last k digits are 3 (three!)

	1	...	ℓ	C_1	C_2	...	C_k
\vdots							
t	1	...	1	3	3	...	3

Subset Sum

	1	2	...	ℓ	C_1	C_2	...	C_k
y_1	1	0	...	0	1	0	...	0
z_1	1	0	...	0	0	0	...	1
y_2	0	1	...	0	0	0	...	0
z_2	0	1	...	0	1	0	...	1
\vdots								
g_1	0	0	...	0	1	0	...	0
h_1	0	0	...	0	1	0	...	0
g_2	0	0	...	0	0	1	...	0
h_2	0	0	...	0	0	1	...	0
\vdots								
t	1	1	...	1	3	3	...	3

Subset Sum

Claim: If ϕ is satisfiable, then some subset of S sums to t .

- select y_i if x_i is **true**.
- select z_i if x_i is **false**.

Adding them up

- yields a **1** in the **first** ℓ digits
- matching t so far

Subset Sum

Claim: If ϕ is satisfiable, then some subset of S sums to t .

- select y_i if x_i is **true**.
- select z_i if x_i is **false**.

Each of the **last** k digits

- **at least one** literal is **true**,
- number of true literals is between **1** and **3**,
- sum so far: at least **1**, at most **3**.
- so pick enough h_i, g_i to bring this digit up to 3.
- this can be done **separately** for each clause.

This completes one direction.

Subset Sum

Claim: If some subset of S sums to t , then ϕ is satisfiable.

- All digits in S are 0 or 1.
- Because ϕ is in **3CNF**, each column contains at most **five 1s** (why?).
- Therefore, summation causes **no carries** between columns.
- Subset must contain one of y_i or z_i , but not both.

Subset Sum

Here is the satisfying assignment.

- if subset includes y_i , then x_i is **true**
- if subset includes z_i , then x_i is **false**

This assignment must satisfy ϕ because

- each of final k columns sums to 3.
- at most 2 come from g_i, h_i
- so at least one must come from **true literal**

Final point: transformation takes $O(n^2)$ stages.



“Paradox” ?!

- Saw a polynomial time dynamic programming algorithm.
- To resolve this “paradox”, look at the **fine print**.
- The algorithm is **polynomial time** in **what**?
- What do you mean? **Polynomial time** in the input length, of course!
- But the inputs are integers. How are they encoded?
- In the NP completeness proof, they are encoded in **binary/decimal** (for a ϕ with 100 clauses and 50 variables, numbers will be about 10^{150}).
- In the algorithm, numbers are encoded in **unary**. So the algorithm can handle numbers around 150 comfortably, but nothing like 10^{150} !

Partition

An instance of the problem

- List of integers r_1, \dots, r_k
- Question: Can we partition the items such that the sum of the two subsets is identical.

$$\sum_{i \in S} r_i = \sum_{j \notin S} r_j$$

$$\text{PARTITION} = \left\{ \langle r_1, \dots, r_k \rangle \mid \exists S \subset \{1, \dots, k\} \sum_{i \in S} x_i = \sum_{j \notin S} x_j \right\}$$

Observation: PARTITION is a special case of SUBSET-SUM

Partition

Theorem: SUBSET-SUM \leq_P PARTITION

Reduction from SUBSET-SUM:

- Input: $r_1 \dots r_k$ and t
- Let $A = \sum_{i=1}^k r_i$ and $U = \{1, \dots, k\}$.
- Output: r_1, \dots, r_k, b and c ,
where $b = 2A - t$ and $c = A + t$.

Correctness:

- If there exists an S for the SUBSET-SUM, then $S \cup \{b\}$ solves PARTITION.
- Assume $(S : U - S)$ solves the PARTITION.
- W.l.o.g. $b \in S$ and $c \notin S$
- Then $S \setminus \{b\}$ is a solution to SUBSET-SUM.

Bin Packing

An instance of the problem

- List of integers r_1, \dots, r_k ; bin size B ; number of bins m
- Question: Is there a partition to m subsets S_1, \dots, S_m , such that

$$\sum_{i \in S_j} r_i \leq B$$

BIN_PACKING =

$$\left\{ \langle r_1, \dots, r_k, B, m \rangle \mid \exists \text{ partition } S_1 \dots S_m \forall j \sum_{i \in S_j} r_i \leq B \right\}$$

Bin Packing

Theorem: $\text{Partition} \leq_P \text{BIN_PACKING}$

Reduction from **PARTITION**:

- Input: $r_1 \dots r_k$
- Let $A = \sum_{i=1}^k r_i$
- Output: $r_1, \dots, r_k, B = A/2$ and $m = 2$.

Integer Programming (IP)

- Definition: A **linear inequality** has the form

$$a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \dots + a_nx_n \leq b$$

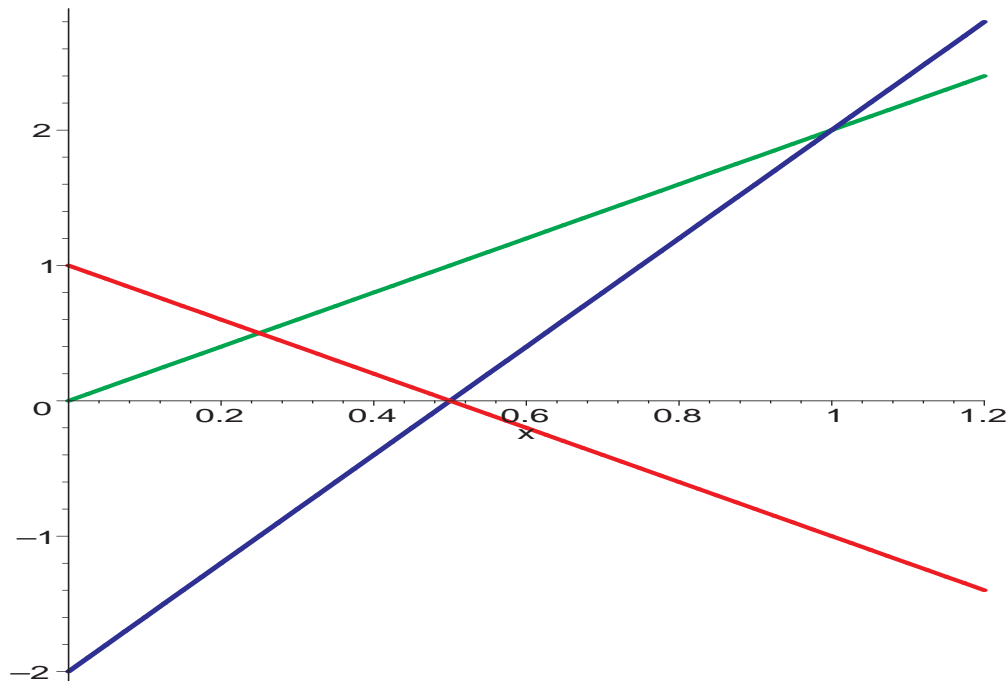
where a_1, \dots, a_n, b are real numbers, and x_1, \dots, x_n are real **variables**.

- The Integer Programming (IP) problem:
- **Input:** A set of m linear inequalities with integer coefficients (a_i, b) in n variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n .
- The language **IP** is the collection of all systems of linear inequalities that **have a solution** where all x_i are **integers**.

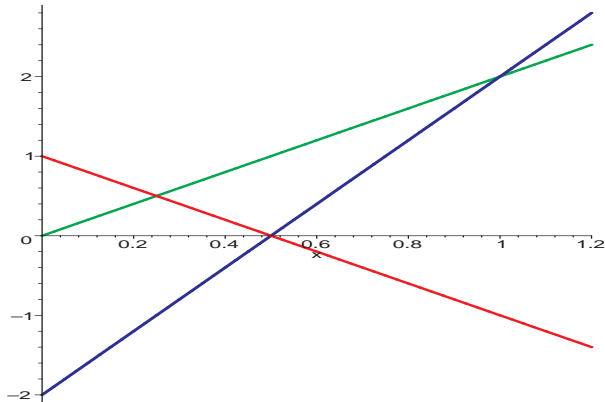
Integer Programming: Example

Consider the following system of linear inequalities

$$\begin{aligned}y &\leq 2x && \text{green line} \\ -2x + 1 &\leq y && \text{red line} \\ 4x - 2 &\leq y && \text{purple line} \\ 0 &\leq x &\leq 1 \\ 0 &\leq y &\leq 2\end{aligned}$$



Integer Programming: Example



This set does have a **unique** solution: the right hand corner of the solid triangle, $(1, 2)$.

But if we change the constraint on y to $0 \leq y \leq 1$, then we'd have no solution with integer coordinates, even though there are many solutions with **rational, or real, coordinates**.

Will now show IP is NP complete.

Membership in NP non-trivial (**why?**)

Integer Programming: NP

Consider the following equations

$$\begin{aligned}x_0 &= 1 \\x_1 &= 2x_0 \\&\vdots \\x_n &= 2x_{n-1}\end{aligned}$$

The solution $x_n = 2^n$.

Solving a linear set of n equations with n unknowns:

$Ax = b$, where $|a_{i,j}| < M$ and $|b_i| < M$.

Q: How large can $|x_i|$ get?!

Recall Cramer's Rule, using determinants. $|A| < n!M^n$.

SAT \leq_P IP

SAT = $\{\langle \phi \rangle \mid \phi \text{ is a satisfiable CNF formula}\}$

For example, the following formula is in SAT:

$$(x_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee \bar{x}_3 \vee x_4) \wedge (x_3 \vee \bar{x}_5 \vee x_6) \wedge (x_3 \vee \bar{x}_6)$$

Let φ be a CNF formula with m clauses and n variables x_1, \dots, x_n (either x_i, \bar{x}_i , or both, can appear in φ).

Will reduce φ to an IP instance with $2n$ variables $x_1, y_1, \dots, x_n, y_n$ and $m + 2n$ linear inequalities, and n linear equalities (how?).

SAT \leq_P IP

- Each x_i in φ corresponds to the variable x_i in IP.
- Each \bar{x}_i in φ corresponds to the variable y_i in IP.
- For each i , we add the inequalities $x_i \geq 0$, $y_i \geq 0$, and the equality $x_i + y_i = 1$
(what do these three express?)
- For each clause k , we add the inequality
$$\sum_{z_j \in \text{Clause}_k} z_j \geq 1$$

(what does this inequality express?)
- For example, $(x_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee \bar{x}_3 \vee x_4)$ is translated to $x_1 + y_2 + y_3 + x_4 \geq 1$.

SAT \leq_P IP: Example

$$\varphi = (x_1 \vee \overline{x_2} \vee \overline{x_3} \vee x_4) \wedge (x_3 \vee \overline{x_5} \vee x_6) \wedge (x_3 \vee \overline{x_6})$$

translates to

$$x_1 + y_2 + y_3 + x_4 \geq 1$$

$$x_3 + y_5 + x_6 \geq 1$$

$$x_3 + x_6 \geq 1$$

$$x_1 \geq 0, y_1 \geq 0, x_1 + y_1 = 1$$

$$x_2 \geq 0, y_2 \geq 0, x_2 + y_2 = 1$$

$$x_3 \geq 0, y_3 \geq 0, x_3 + y_3 = 1$$

$$x_4 \geq 0, y_4 \geq 0, x_4 + y_4 = 1$$

$$x_5 \geq 0, y_5 \geq 0, x_5 + y_5 = 1$$

$$x_6 \geq 0, y_6 \geq 0, x_6 + y_6 = 1$$

SAT \leq_P IP: Validity (sketch)

Should show

(a) Reduction g is poly-time computable

(b) $\varphi \in \text{SAT} \implies g(\varphi) \in \text{IP}$

(c) $g(\varphi) \in \text{IP} \implies \varphi \in \text{SAT}$.

- Poly time: easy (verify details!).
- Suppose $\varphi \in \text{SAT}$. Take a satisfying assignment.
If $x_i = 1$ assign $x_i = 1, y_i = 0$ in IP.
If $x_i = 0$ assign $x_i = 0, y_i = 1$ in IP.
- So "sanity check" constraints satisfied. "Clause constraints" are satisfied due to at least one literal satisfied in each clause., implying $g(\varphi) \in \text{IP}$.
- $g(\varphi) \in \text{IP} \implies \varphi \in \text{SAT}$ is similar. ♣

Chains of Reductions: NPC Problems

