

## Lecture 22

Today : NP, NP-completeness cont'd

## Clarifications/Hints on HW3

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Output: Prime factorization of  $x$

Example:  $x = 60$

Output: 2, 2, 3, 5

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HINT

Step 1

FINDFACTOR: Input is  $x$

Output is  $\begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \text{ is prime} \\ y_1, y_2 & \text{st } y_1, y_2 \neq 1 \text{ and} \\ & y_1 y_2 = x \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$

Show: If FINDFACTOR in polytime  
then FACTOR in polytime

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HINT Step 2: show  $P = NP \Rightarrow$  FINDFACTOR in polytime

Find a Language  $L$  in NP such that

if  $L$  is in P then we can solve FINDFACTOR  
in polytime (by "binary search")

Say we want ~~to~~ a polynomial time algorithm to solve FIND- $\frac{n}{2}$ -CLIQUE

FIND-K-CLIQUE: Input undirected graph  $G$  on vertices  $x_1, \dots, x_n$

Output:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{"No clique of size } \frac{n}{2} \text{" if } G \text{ doesn't} \\ \text{contain a } \frac{n}{2} \text{-clique} \\ \text{OR output a subset } V' \subseteq V \\ \text{s.t. } V' \text{ is a clique in } G \end{array} \right.$

Show:

If  $P = NP \Rightarrow$  FIND- $\frac{n}{2}$ -CLIQUE  $\in P$

Let  $A = \left\{ (g, k, v' \subseteq v) \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{g contains a } k\text{-clique} \\ \text{including the vertices in } v' \end{array} \right\}$

$g$ : find a  $\frac{n}{2}$ -clique:

1. call  $A(g, k, v' = \{x_1\})$

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(3b) This is related to question 1. ( $P$  is closed under complement)

Need to show:

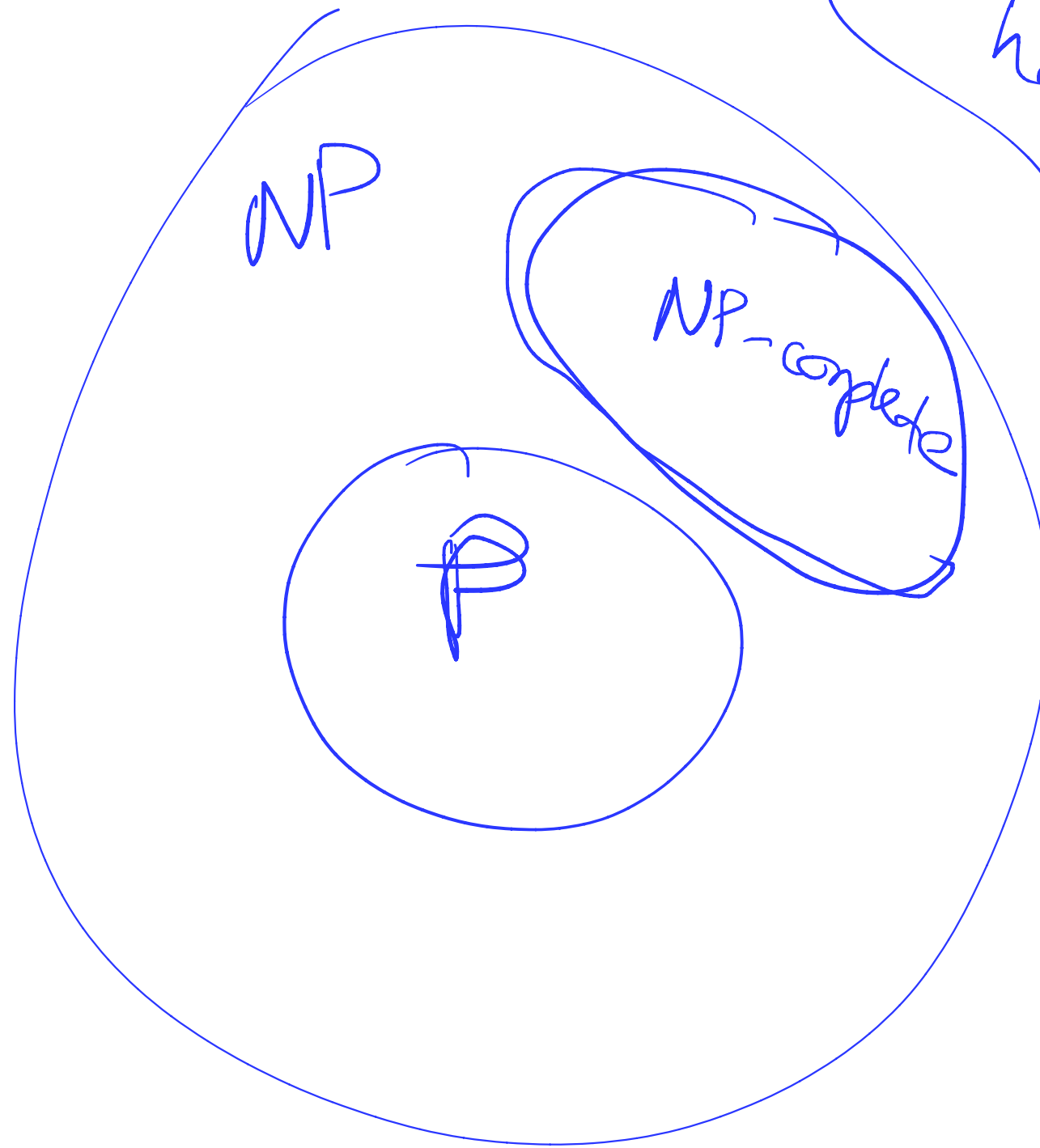
For any  $L$  that is NP complete,  $\bar{L}$  is NP hard

$\equiv$  For any  $L$  that is NP-complete,

if  $\bar{L} \in P$  then every  $L' \in NP$  is also in  $P$

Example: say  $L$  is CLIQUE

show  $\bar{L} = \overline{\text{CLIQUE}}$  is NP hard



Other NP  
hard problems



# (5) k-min SAT

Recall  $kSAT = \{ \phi \mid \phi \text{ is a } k\text{-CNF formula and } \phi \text{ is satisfiable} \}$

Example:  $\phi = (x_2 \vee x_4 \vee \bar{x}_4) \wedge (x_1 \vee \bar{x}_3) (\bar{x}_1 \vee x_2 \vee \bar{x}_4) (\bar{x}_2 \vee \bar{x}_3)$

Brute Force: Try all possible  $2^n$  assignments ( $n = \# \text{ vars}$ )

iff  $k=2$   
then  $kMINSAT(\phi) = 1$   
iff  $\phi$  has a sub-ass with  $\leq 2$ 's

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	
↘	0	0	0	0	✓
↘	0	0	0	1	
↘	0	0	1	0	
↘	0	0	1	1	
↘	0	1	0	0	
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↘	1	1	0	0	←
	1	1	0	1	
	1	1	1	0	
	1	1	1	1	

$\alpha = 1100$  satisfies  $\phi$   
so  $\phi \in 3SAT$

↖ 3SAT instance

(5)  $k$ -MIN SAT : input to  $k$ -MIN SAT is a 3CNF formula

Recall  $k$ SAT =  $\{ \phi \mid \phi \text{ is a 3CNF formula and } \phi \text{ is satisfiable} \}$

$3$ -MIN SAT :=  $\{ \phi \mid \phi \text{ is a 3CNF formula and there is an assignment } \alpha \text{ with } \leq 3 \text{ 1's that satisfies } \phi \}$

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 $\alpha = 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0$  satisfies  $\phi$  and has  $\leq 3$  1's  
so  $\phi \in 3$ MIN SAT

Example 2  $\phi' = (x_1 \vee \bar{x}_2) (x_2 \vee \bar{x}_4) (\bar{x}_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee x_3) (x_4) (\bar{x}_4 \vee \bar{x}_5)$   
 $\alpha = 11110$  satisfies  $\phi'$  so  $\phi' \in 3$ SAT  
But no assignment with  $\leq 3$  1's satisfies  $\phi'$  so  $\phi' \notin 3$ MIN SAT

## Examples of Languages in NP

① Any  $L \in P$  is also in NP

Verifier  $V$  on input  $(w, c)$  : ignore  $c$  and just run polytime alg for  $L$  on input  $w$ .

②  $CLIQUE = \{ (g, k) \mid g \text{ is an undirected graph containing a size-}k \text{ clique} \}$

Verifier  $V$  on input  $(g, k, s)$ :

- check that  $S$  encodes a subset  $S \subseteq V$  of  $k$  vertices
- For all pairs of vertices  $i, j \in V'$  check if  $(i, j)$  is an edge in  $E$  (i.e.,  $(i, j) \in E$ )

## Examples of Languages in NP

③  $K\text{-SAT} = \{ \phi \mid \phi \text{ is a satisfiable } k\text{-CNF formula} \}$

Input is a Boolean formula over  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  in kCNF form.

kCNF form:  $C_1 \wedge C_2 \wedge \dots \wedge C_m$

Example:  $\phi = (x_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee x_3) \wedge (x_3 \vee x_4) \wedge (\bar{x}_2 \vee \bar{x}_1) \wedge (\bar{x}_2 \vee x_3)$

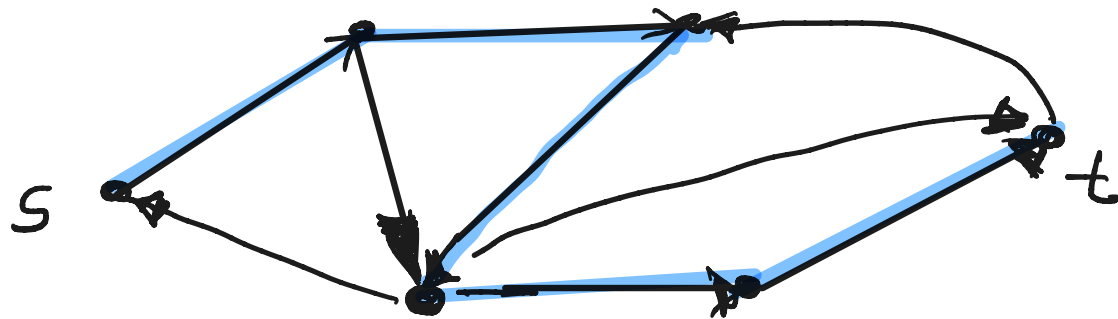
Verifier V on input  $(\phi, \alpha)$ :

check that  $\alpha$  is a Boolean satisfying assignment for  $\phi$ . If yes  $\rightarrow$  accept, otherwise  $\rightarrow$  reject

## Examples of Languages in NP

④  $\text{HAMPATH} = \{ (g, s, t) \mid g \text{ is a directed graph containing a Hamilton path (visits all vertices once) from } s \text{ to } t \}$

Example

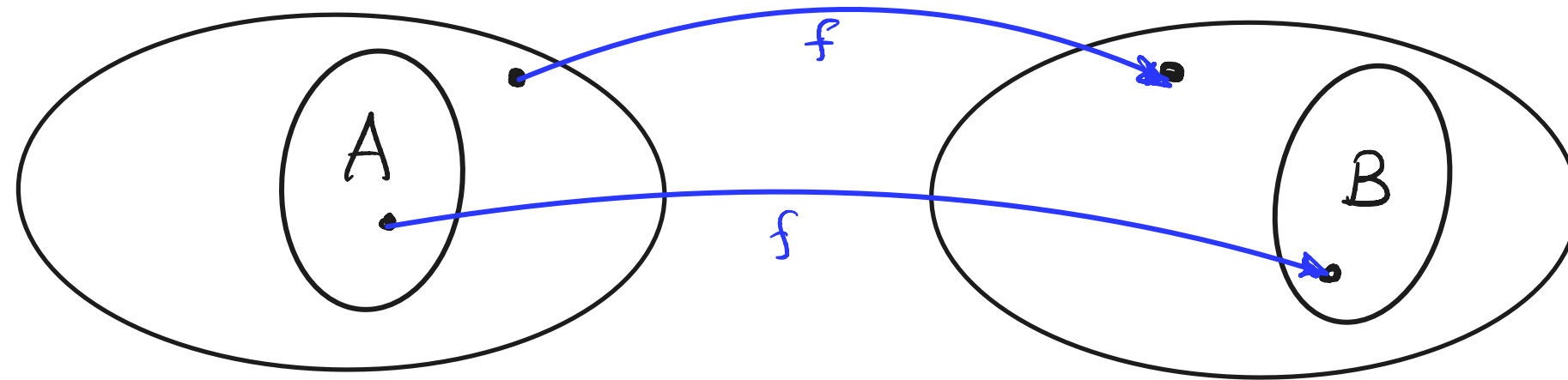


Verifier  $V$  on input  $(g, s, t, p)$ :

Check if  $p$  encodes a Hamiltonian path from  $s$  to  $t$ .  
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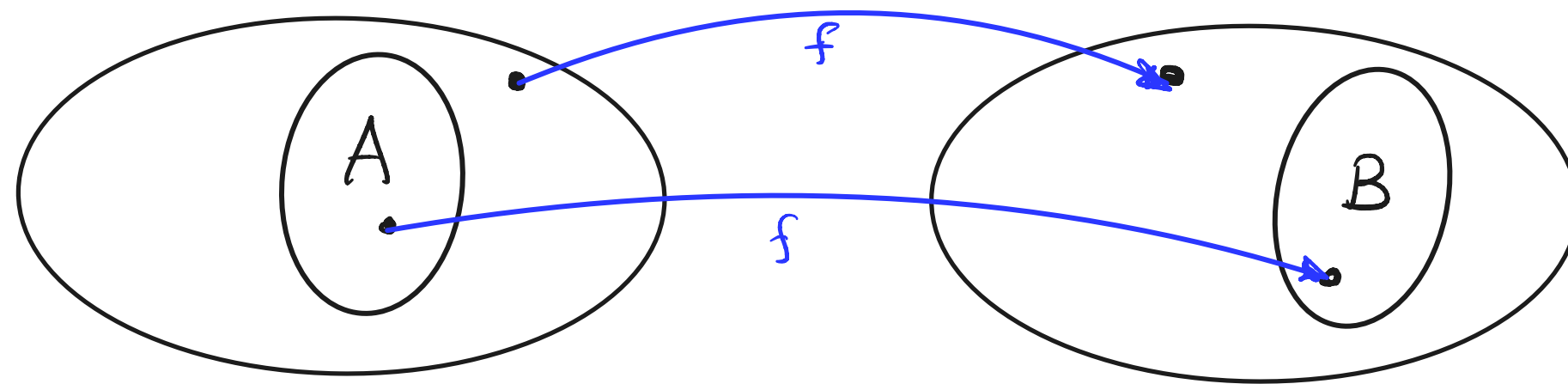


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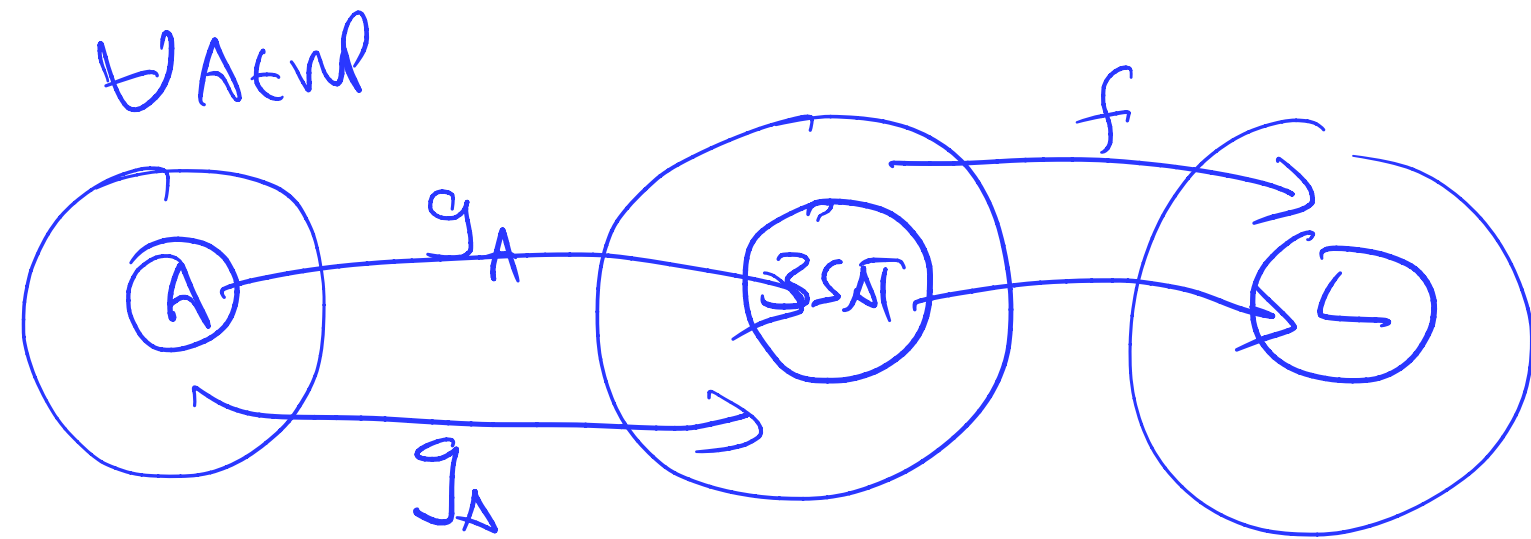
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- $B \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$  is **NP-complete** if: (i)  $B$  is in NP and (ii)  $B$  is NP-hard

# NP-completeness

## Cook-Levin theorem

For every  $k \geq 3$  3-SAT is NP-complete

(Proof Next week)



To show another language  $L$  is NP complete  
we just need to show:

(1)  $L \in NP$

(2) Show  $3SAT \leq_p L$

$f \uparrow$



# NP-completeness via Reductions

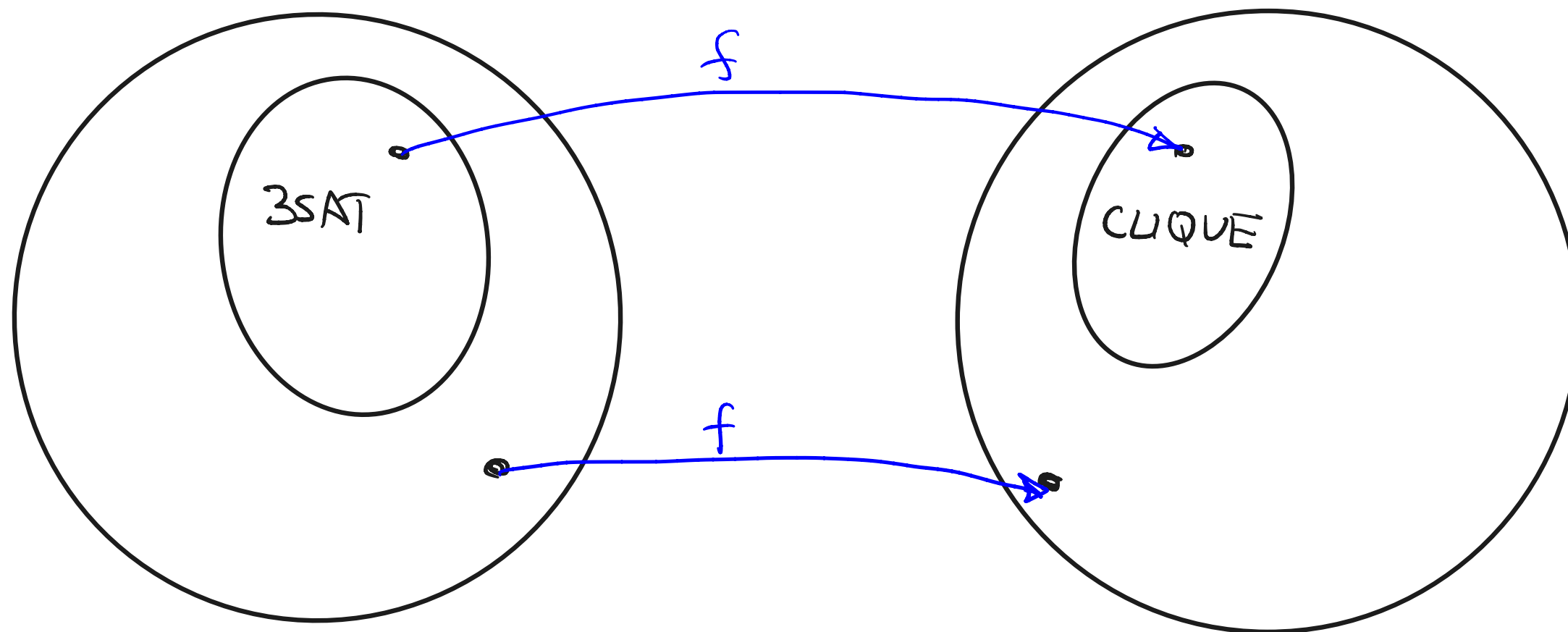
Theorem CLIQUE is NP-complete

Clique =  $\{ (g, k) \mid g \text{ contains a clique } Q, \text{ size} \geq k \}$

Proof (2 steps)

(i) CLIQUE IS IN NP (we already showed this)

(ii) CLIQUE IS NP-HARD: Need to show  $3SAT \leq_p \text{ CLIQUE}$



# 3-SAT $\leq_p$ CLIQUE

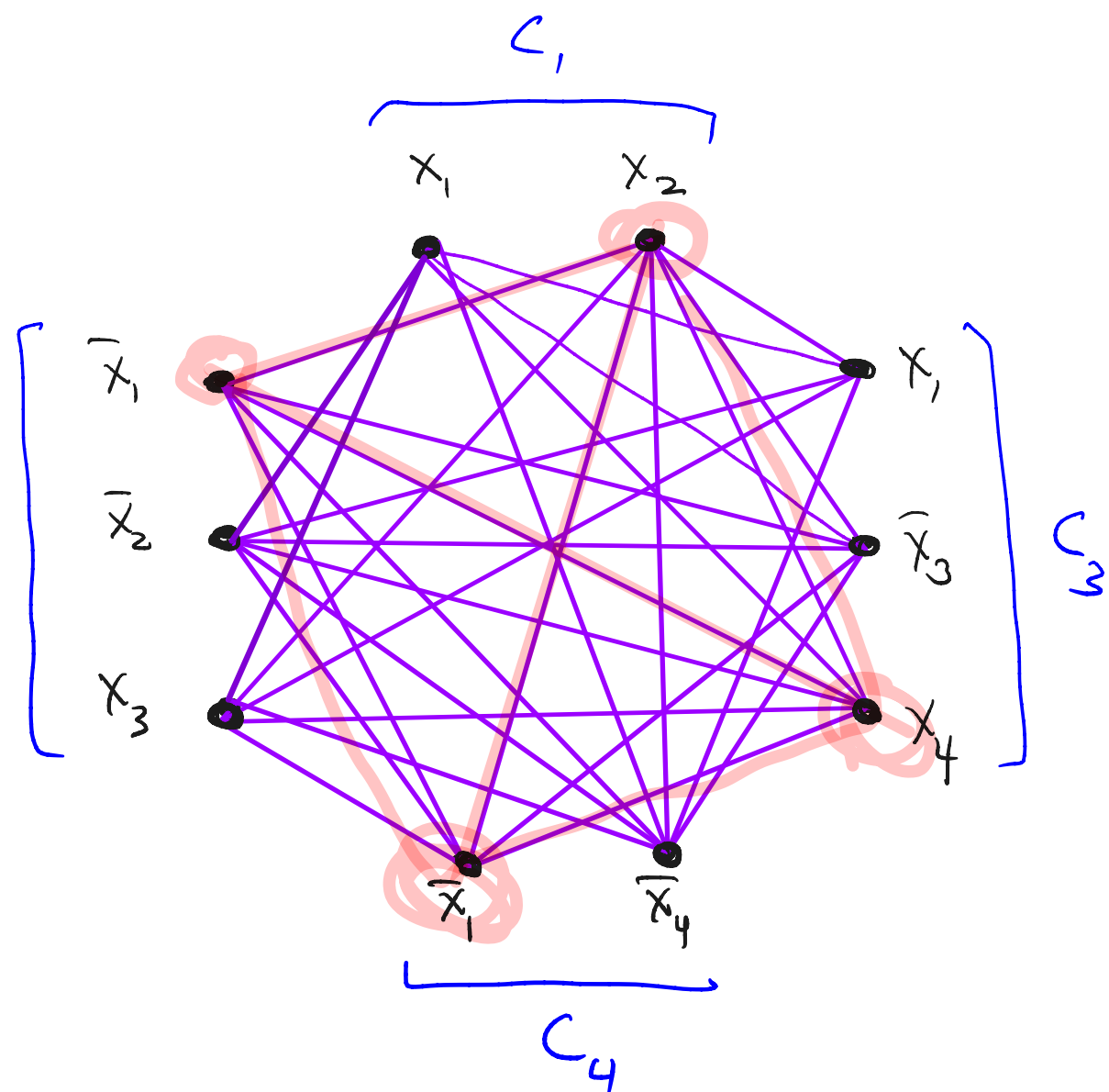
Example

Let  $\phi = \underbrace{(x_1 \vee x_2)}_{C_1} \wedge \underbrace{(\bar{x}_1 \vee \bar{x}_2 \vee x_3)}_{C_2} \wedge \underbrace{(x_1 \vee \bar{x}_3 \vee x_4)}_{C_3} \wedge \underbrace{(\bar{x}_1 \vee \bar{x}_4)}_{C_4}$

$m$  clauses  
here  $m=4$

$f: \phi \rightarrow (G_\phi, k=m)$

$G_\phi =$



edge between 2 vertices if they are in different clause groups and if their associated literals are consistent

pick  $k=m$  (the number of clauses in  $\phi$ )

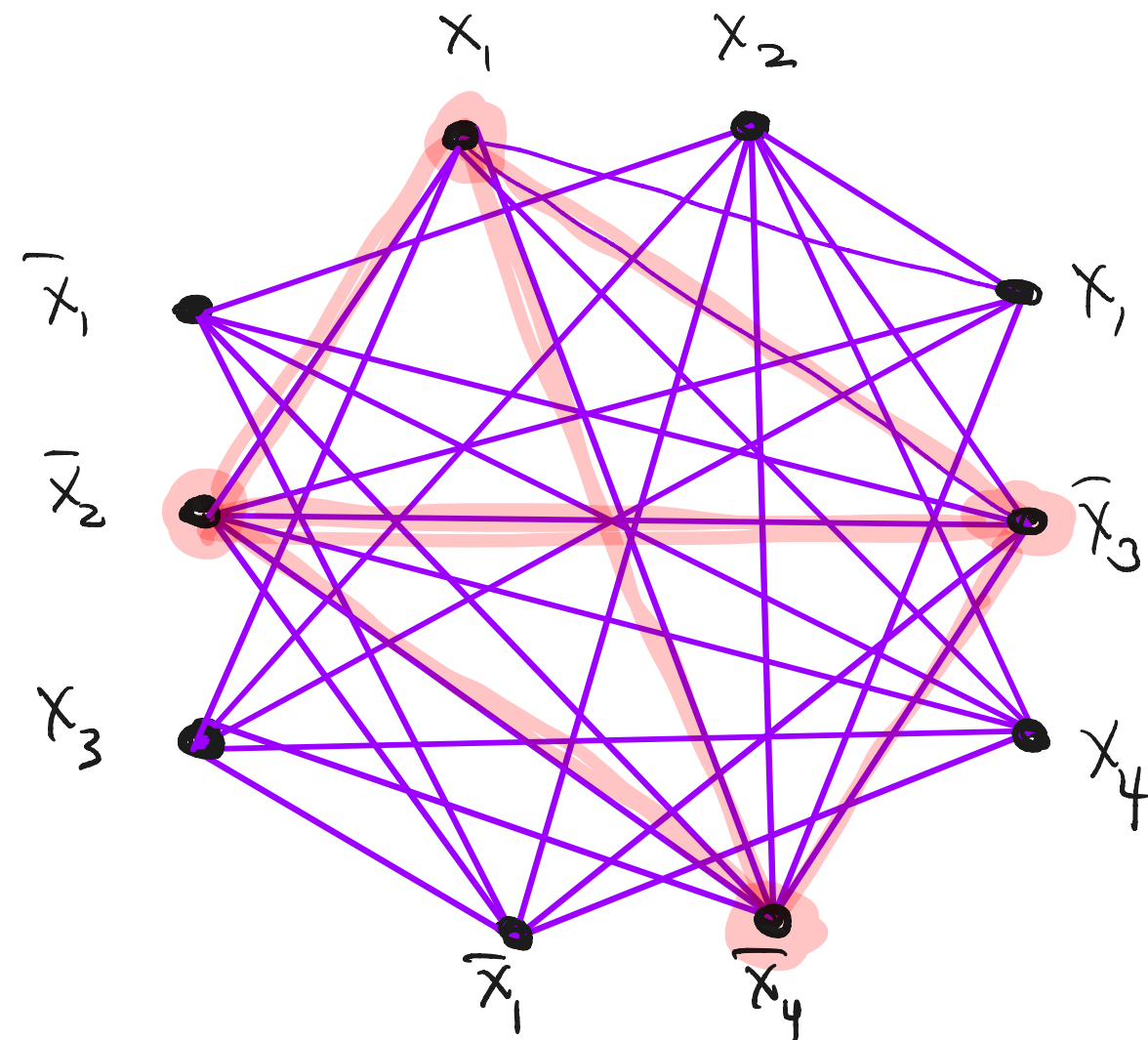
$\alpha:$   
 $x_1=0$     $x_2=1$     $x_4=1$   
 $\uparrow$     $\uparrow$     $\uparrow$   
 $\bar{x}_1$     $x_2$     $x_4$

3-SAT  $\leq_p$  CLIQUE

Example

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$\alpha : x_1=1, x_2=0, x_3=0, x_4=0$  satisfies  $\phi$

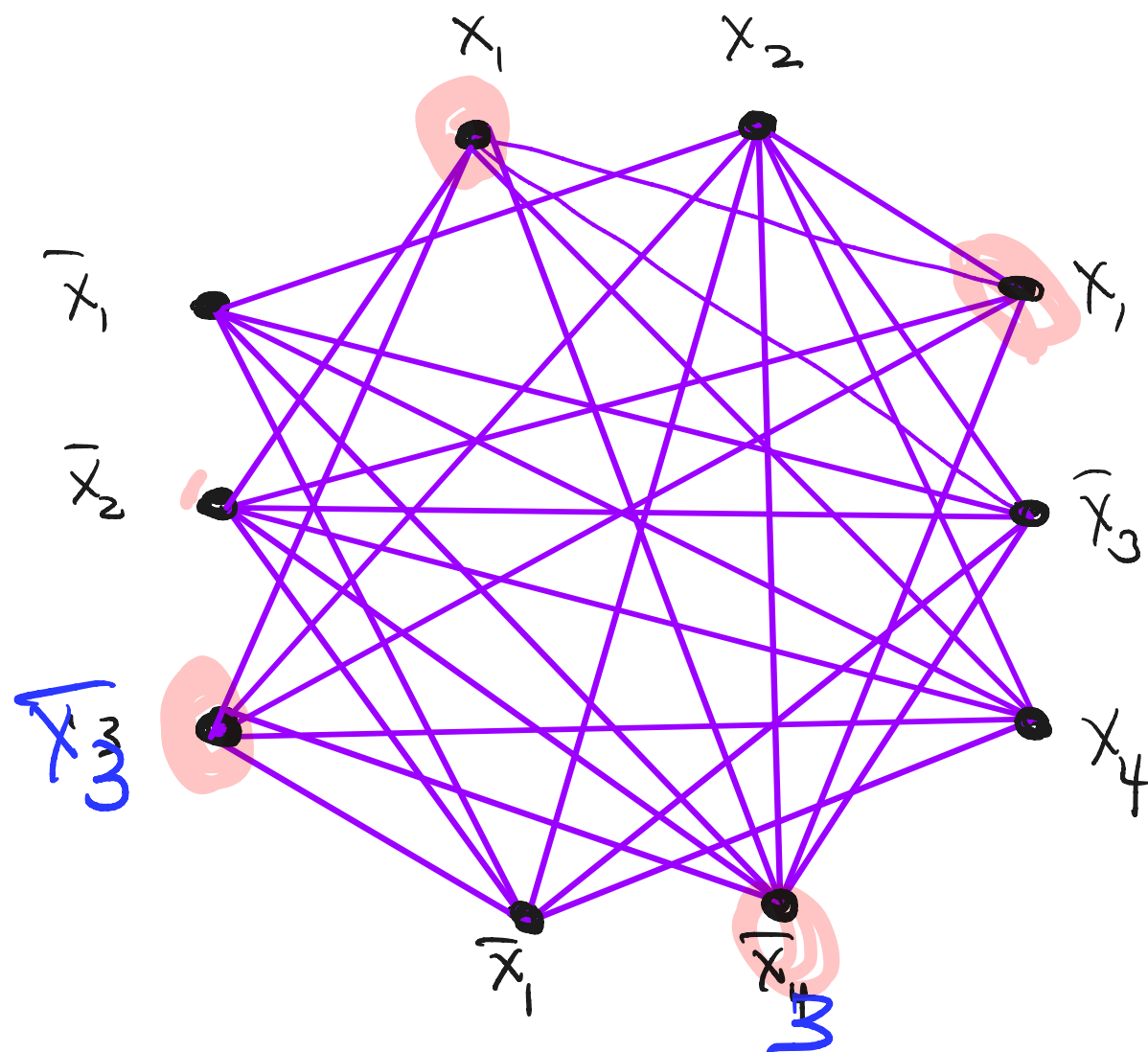
corresponding 4-clique in red

3-SAT  $\leq_p$  CLIQUE

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$x_1 = 1$     $x_3 = 0$     $(x_2, x_4)$  set any way

We showed:

$$f: \phi \longrightarrow (g_\phi, k)$$

such that  $\phi \in 3SAT \iff (g_\phi, k) \in CLIQUE$

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correctness: show

(1) If  $\phi \in 3SAT$  ( $\phi$  is satisfiable)  $\longrightarrow$   $(g_\phi, k)$  has  $\overbrace{f(\phi)}$  a  $k$ -clique

(2) If  $(g_\phi, k)$  has a  $k$ -clique  $\Rightarrow \phi$  is sat.

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# NP-completeness via Reductions

Theorem HAMPATH is NP-complete

Proof

1. HAMPATH in NP (already did this)

2. We will show  $3SAT \leq_p HAMPATH$  (and thus HAMPATH is NP-hard)

Let  $\phi = (a_1 \vee b_1 \vee c_1) \wedge (a_2 \vee b_2 \vee c_2) \wedge \dots \wedge (a_m \vee b_m \vee c_m)$  each  $a_i, b_i, c_i$  is a literal.

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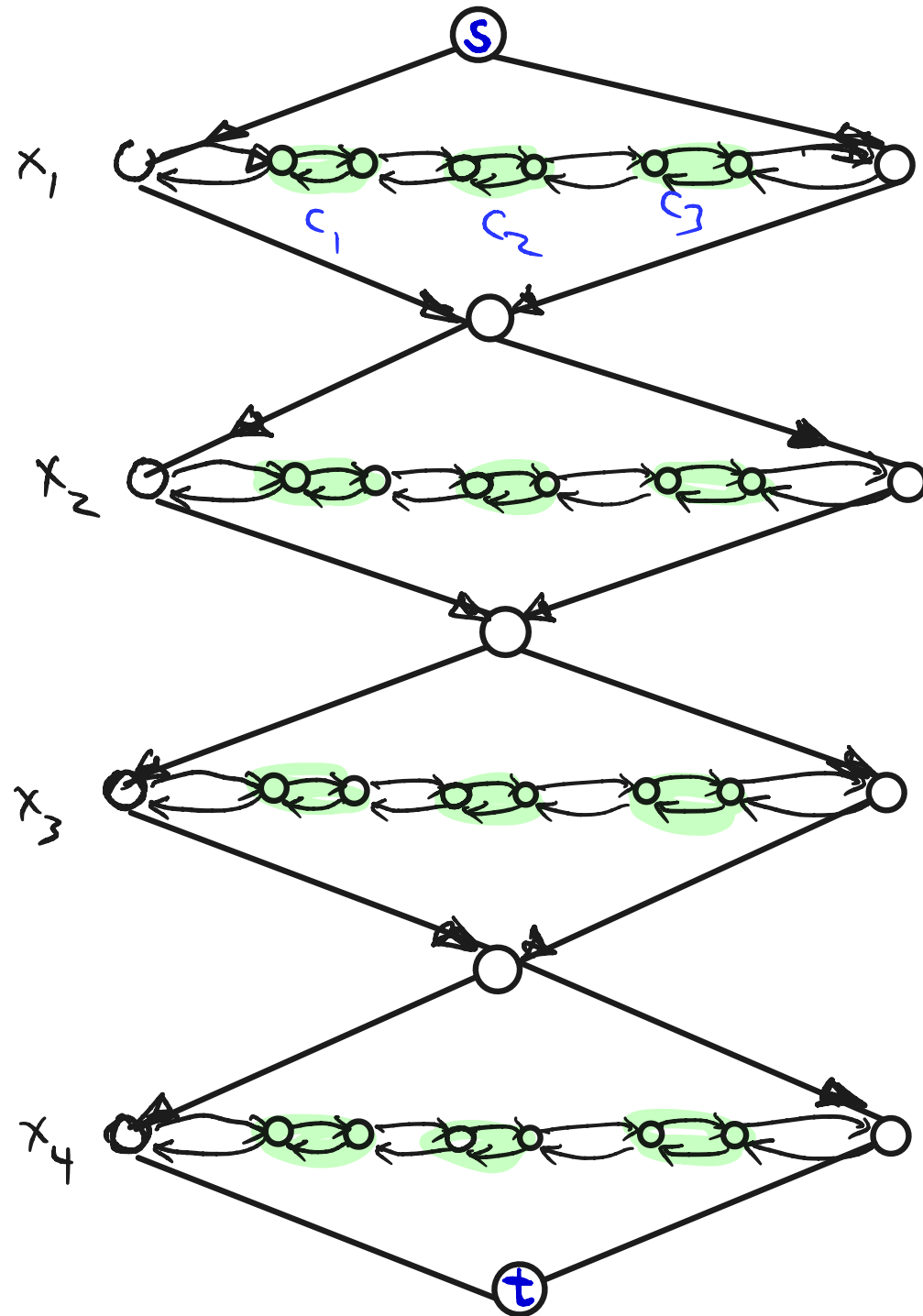
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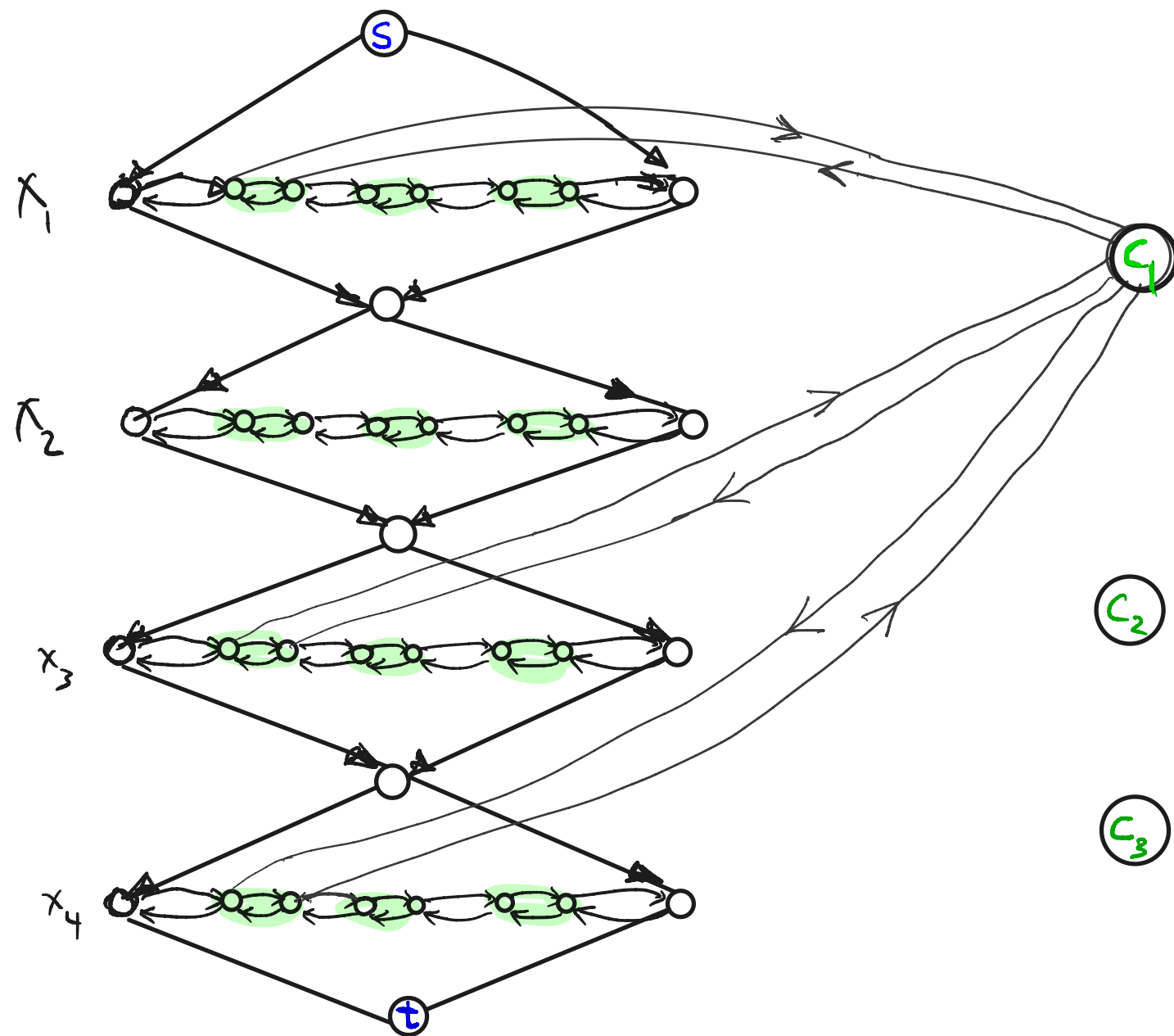
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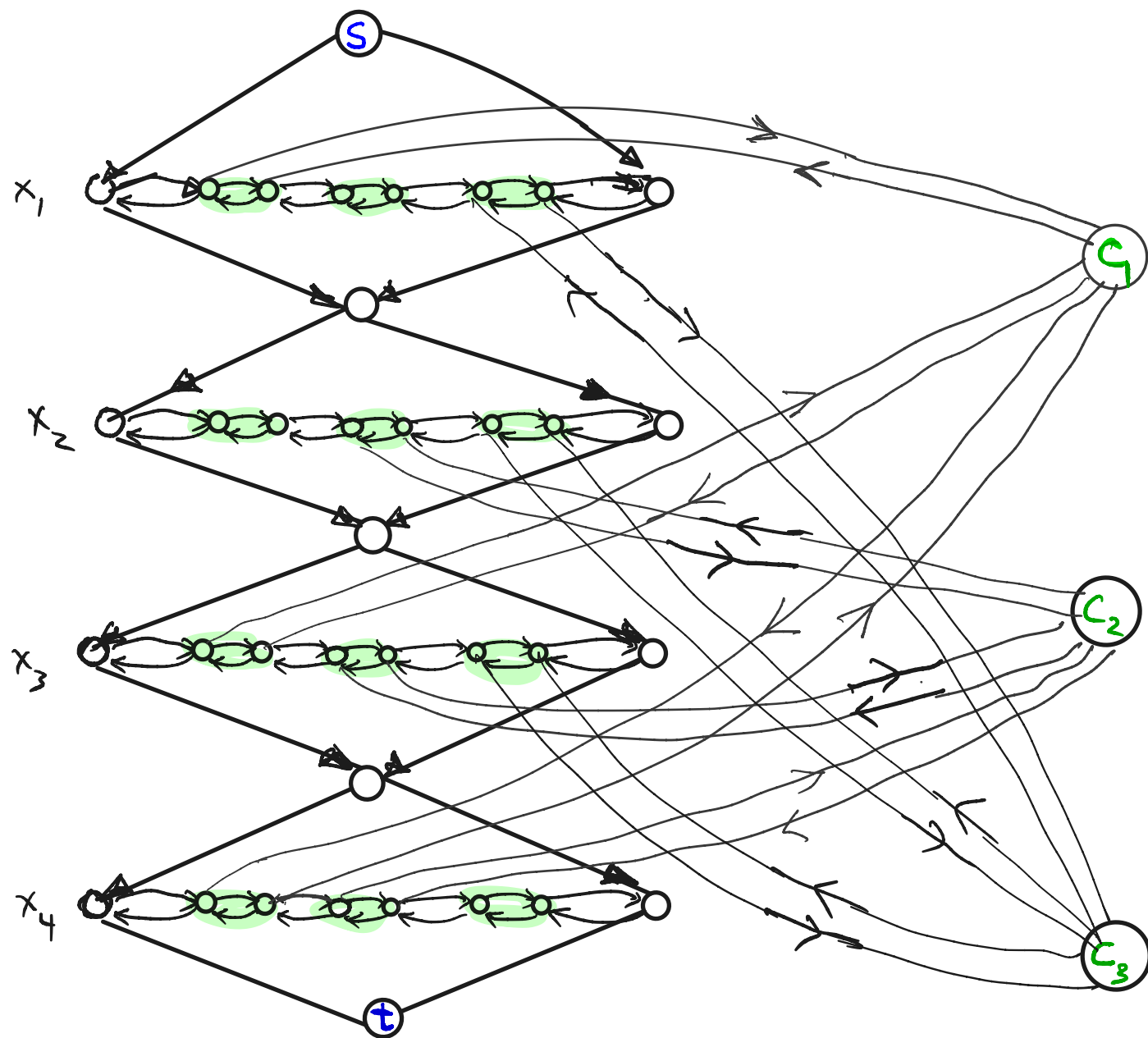
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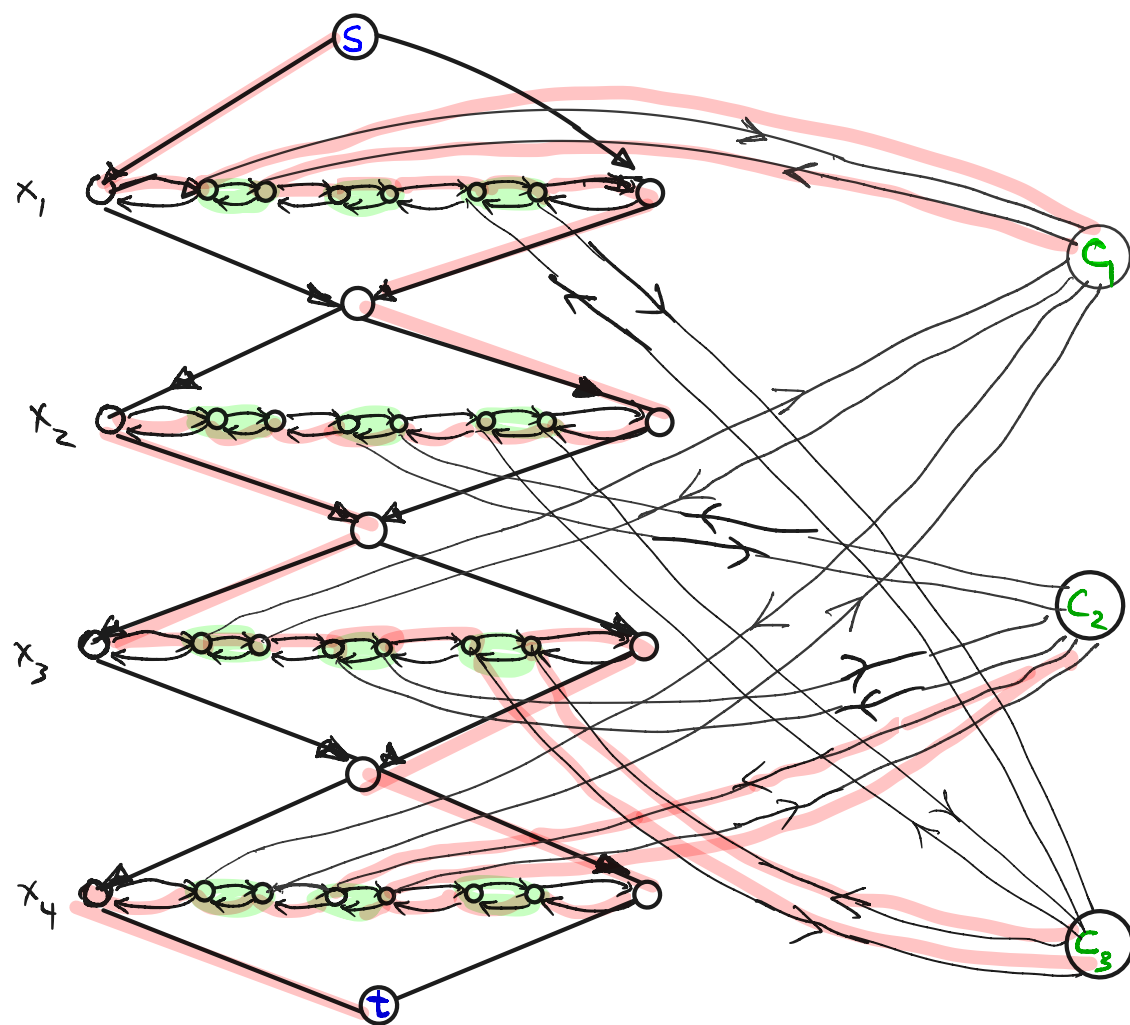
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Claim  $\phi$  is satisfiable iff  $g_\phi$  has a Hamiltonian path from  $s$  to  $t$

$$\alpha: \underbrace{x_1=1}_{C_1} \quad x_2=0 \quad \underbrace{x_3=1}_{C_3} \quad \underbrace{x_4=0}_{C_2}$$