

Schedule: Tue.+Thu. 14h30—15h45 in N1 #111

Language: English (except *Piazza* forum)

TA: 김미진, office hours after lecture in N1 #403

Attendance: 10 points for missing <5 lectures, 9 points when missing 5, and so on.

Grading: Homework 20%, Midterm exam 30%, Final exam 40%, Attendance 10%.

Homework: Assigned roughly every 2nd week, 11 days to solve, individual handwritten solutions.

Literature, slides, assignments etc:

http://theoryofcomputation.asia/15b_CS422/

Exams: Midterm Oct. 22, Final exam Dec. 17

Students' Background Check

? CS204 *Discrete Mathematics*

? CS206 *Data Structures*

? CS300 *Introduction to Algorithms*

? CS320 *Programming Languages*

? CS322 *Formal Languages and Automata*

? MAS275 *Discrete Mathematics*

? MAS365 *Intro. to Numerical Analysis*

? MAS477 *Introduction to Graph Theory*

? MAS480 *Topics in Mathematics*

? graduate courses (at KAIST)

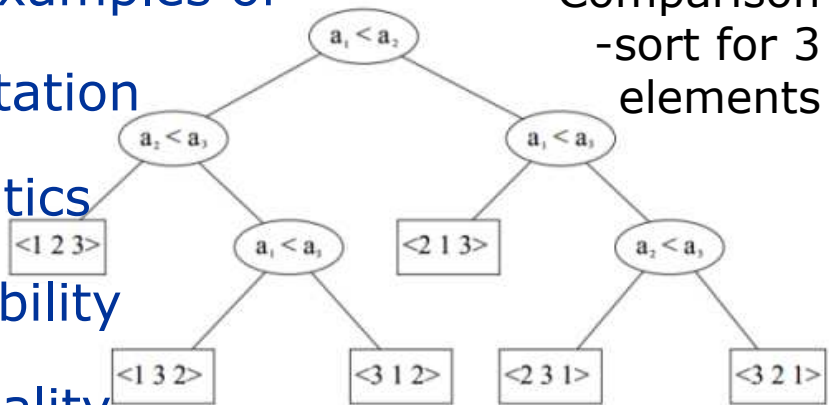
? non-KAIST courses

§1 Motivation & Examples

Four elementary examples of

- models of computation
- syntax vs. semantics
- limits of computability
- algorithmic optimality

Comparison
-sort for 3
elements



Example 1: Optimal Sorting Algorithm

Problem specification:

Model of computation:

First algorithm:

Its cost analysis:

Second algorithm:

Its cost analysis:

Proof of optimality:

Example 2: Finite Automata

- Motivation from practice
- Syntax and semantics
- Example algorithms
- Programming challenges
- Limits of computability
- Equivalent characterizations

States (h, m, q)

where $h \in H = \{0, 1, \dots, 23\}$

$m \in M = \{0, 1, \dots, 59\}$

$q \in \{ \text{NIL}, \text{setH}, \text{setM} \}$

Operations SET and INC:

INC: $(h, m, \text{NIL}) \rightarrow (h, m, \text{NIL})$

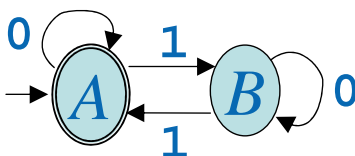
SET: $(h, m, \text{NIL}) \rightarrow (h, m, \text{setH})$

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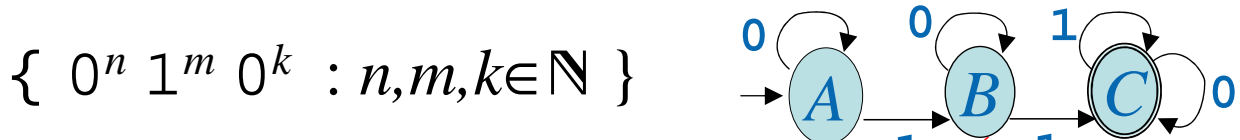
SET: $(h, m, \text{setM}) \rightarrow (h, m, \text{NIL})$

INC: $(h, m, \text{setH}) \rightarrow (h+1 \text{ mod } 24, m, \text{setH})$

INC: $(h, m, \text{setM}) \rightarrow (h, m+1 \text{ mod } 60, \text{setM})$



Lemma: Suppose $L \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$ is accepted by a finite automaton. Then there exists some $n \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. every $\underline{w} \in L$ of length $|\underline{w}| \geq n$ admits a decomposition $\underline{w} = \underline{x} \underline{y} \underline{z}$ with $|\underline{y}| \geq 1$ and $|\underline{x} \underline{y}| \leq n$ such that $\underline{x} \underline{y}^j \underline{z} \in L$ holds for every $j \in \mathbb{N}$.



Theorem: a) $\{ 0^n 1^n : n \in \mathbb{N} \}$ semantics cannot be accepted by a finite automaton.

b) To every *non*-deterministic finite automaton there is an equivalent deterministic one.

Asymptotic Efficiency

n	$\log_2 n \cdot 10s$	$n \cdot \log n$ sec	n^2 msec	n^3 μ sec	2^n nsec
10	33sec	33sec	0.1sec	1msec	1msec
100	≈ 1 min	11min	10sec	1sec	40 Mrd. Y
1000	≈ 1.5 min	≈ 3 h	17min	17min	
10 000	≈ 2 min	1.5 days	≈ 1 day	11 days	
100 000	≈ 2.5 min	19 days	4 months	32 years	

- Running times of some sorting algorithms
 - BubbleSort: $O(n^2)$ comparisons and copy instr.s
 - QuickSort: typically $O(n \cdot \log n)$ steps
but $O(n^2)$ in the *worst-case*
 - HeapSort: always at most $O(n \cdot \log n)$ operations
 - BucketSort: $O(n)$ operations
 - SORT primitive: $O(1)$
- Worst-case vs. average-case vs. best case
- w.r.t. input size (e.g. bit length) $=: n \rightarrow \infty$

Example 3: Algebraic Computation

Warmup Problem: Fix $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Given x , calculate x^n .

- Naïve algorithm: $n-1$ multiplications
- Improve: Calculate $x^2, x^4, x^8, \dots, x^{2^k}$ for $k := \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor$
Then multiply powers x^{2^j} with $b_j = 1$, where $n = b_0 + 2b_1 + 4b_2 + \dots + 2^k b_k$ is the binary expansion.
- Homework: Improve by a constant factor!
- Asympt. optimality: Each multiplication at most doubles the degree of the intermediate results; so computing x^n requires at least $\log_2 n$ of them.

Example 3: Matrix Multiplication

- Input: entries of $n \times n$ -matrices A, B $O(n^2)$,
- Wanted: entries of $n \times n$ -matrix $C := A \cdot B$
- High school: n^2 inner products á $O(n)$: optimal

7 multiplications + 18 additions of $(n/2) \times (n/2)$ -matrices

$$T_1 := (A_{2,1} + A_{2,2}) \cdot B_{1,1}$$

$$T_2 := (A_{1,1} + A_{1,2}) \cdot B_{2,2}$$

$$T_3 := A_{1,1} \cdot (B_{1,2} - B_{2,2})$$

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$C_{1,1}$	$C_{1,2}$
$C_{2,1}$	$C_{2,2}$

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$A_{1,1}$	$A_{1,2}$
$A_{2,1}$	$A_{2,2}$

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$B_{1,1}$	$B_{1,2}$
$B_{2,1}$	$B_{2,2}$

$$C_{1,1} = T_5 + T_4 - T_2 + T_7, \quad C_{1,2} = T_3 + T_2$$

$$L(n) = 7 \cdot L(\lceil n/2 \rceil)$$

asymptotics dominated by #multiplications

World record: $O(n^{2.37})$
[Coppersmith & Winograd '90, François Le Gall '14]

$$L(n) = O(n^{\log_2 7}), \quad \log_2 7 \approx 2.81$$

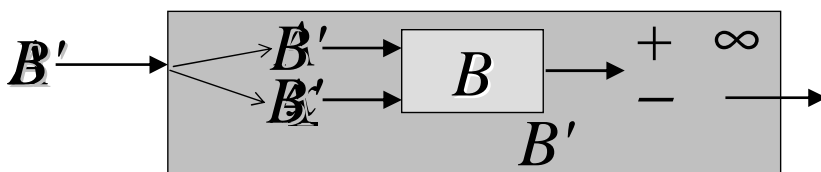
- Sets: $\{0,1\}$, $\{0,1,2,\dots\}=\mathbb{N}$, $\mathbb{Z}=\{0,-1,1,-2,2,\dots\}$
 - Cartesian products $X \times Y$, X^n , X^* ; subset, powerset
 - properties, relations; e.g. prime numbers, $<$
 - functions $f: \subseteq X \rightarrow Y$, total, injective, surjective;
- ```
s='s=%r;print s%%s';print s%s
```
- well-definition

## Im-/Possibility results & techniques

- $\mathbb{N}^2 \ni (x,y) \rightarrow 2^x \cdot (2y+1) - 1 \in \mathbb{N}$
- $\sqrt{2}$  is no fraction
- space-filling curve, fractals
- $2^{\mathbb{N}}$  is uncountable
- NFAs equivalent to DFAs
- and so is  $[0;1]$
- There is a Python program printing it's own source (w/o file access)

# Alan M. Turing 1936

- first scientific calculations on digital computers
- *What are its fundamental limitations?*



- Undecidable Halting Problem  $H$ : **No algorithm  $B$  can always correctly answer simulator/interpreter  $B$ ?** Given  $\langle A, x \rangle$ , does algorithm  $A$  terminate on input  $x$ ?

Proof by contradiction: Consider algorithm  $B'$  that, on input  $A$ , executes  $B$  on  $\langle A, A \rangle$  and, upon a positive answer, loops infinitely. How does  $B'$  behave on  $B'$ ?

# Summary of §1

## The Theory of Computation

- considers mathematical models of computers
- (often separating their syntax from semantics),
- explores their capabilities and limitations
- as well as optimal asymptotic algorithmic cost.

We have seen four examples:

- comparison-based branching trees
- finite automata
- unit-cost algebraic / Blum-Shub-Smale machine
- some (unspecific/generic) programming system

## §2 Computability Theory

- Computability, semi-/decidability, enumerability
- Examples of undecidable problems
- Reduction: comparing problems
- Busy Beaver function
- LOOP programs
- Ackermann function
- WHILE programs

# Un-/Semi-/Decidability I

**Definition:** a) An 'algorithm'  $\mathcal{A}$  **computes** a partial function  $f: \subseteq \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$  if it

- on inputs  $\underline{x} \in \text{dom}(f)$  prints  $f(\underline{x})$  and terminates,
- on inputs  $\underline{x} \notin \text{dom}(f)$  does not terminate.

Cmp. [Papadimitriou §3.3], [Sipser §3.2+§4.2]

b)  $\mathcal{A}$  **decides** set  $L \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$  if it computes its total char. function:  $\text{cf}_L(\underline{x}) := 1$  for  $\underline{x} \in L$ ,  $\text{cf}_L(\underline{x}) := 0$  for  $\underline{x} \notin L$ .

c)  $\mathcal{A}$  **semi-decides**  $L$  if terminates precisely on  $\underline{x} \in L$

d)  $\mathcal{A}$  **enumerates**  $L$  if  $L = \text{range}(f)$  for some computable total injective  $f: \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$ .

# Un-/Semi-/Decidability II

**Example:** The Halting problem  $H$ , considered as subset of  $\{0,1\}^*$ , is semi-decidable, not decidable.

**Theorem:** a) Every finite  $L$  is decidable.

b)  $L$  is decidable iff its complement  $L^c$  is.

c)  $L$  is decidable iff both  $L, L^c$  are semi-decidable.

d)  $L$  is enumerable iff infinite and semi-decidable.

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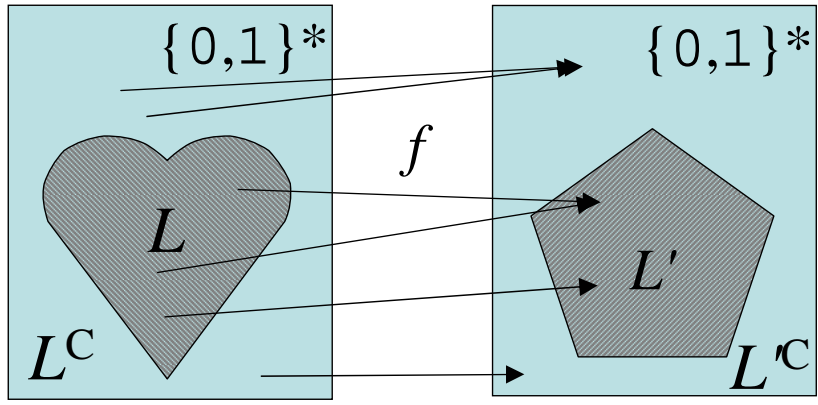
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# Comparing Problems

**Halting problem**  $H = \{ \langle \mathcal{A}, \underline{x} \rangle : \mathcal{A}(\underline{x}) \text{ terminates} \}$

**Nontriviality**  $N = \{ \langle \mathcal{A} \rangle : \exists y: \mathcal{A}(y) \text{ terminates} \}$

**Totality problem**  $T = \{ \langle \mathcal{A} \rangle : \forall z \mathcal{A}(z) \text{ terminates} \}$



- $H \leq N$  undecidable
- $H \leq T$  undecidable
- $N \leq H$
- $T \not\leq H$

For  $L, L' \subseteq \{0,1\}^*$  write  $L \leq L'$  if there is a computable  $f: \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^*$  such that  $\forall \underline{x}: \underline{x} \in L \Leftrightarrow f(\underline{x}) \in L'$ .

a)  $L'$  decidable  $\Rightarrow$  so  $L$ .                      b)  $L \leq L' \leq L'' \Rightarrow L \leq L''$

# LOOP Programs

**Syntax** in Backus—Naur Form:

$P := ( x_j := 0 \mid x_j := x_i + 1 \mid P ; P \mid$   
 $\text{LOOP } x_i \text{ DO } P \text{ END} )$

$\in \mathbb{N}$

**Semantics:**

- $x_1, \dots, x_k$  contain input  $\in \mathbb{N}^k$
- LOOP executed  $x_j$  times
- Body must not contain  $x_j$

**Example:** simulate  
 "if  $x_j \neq 0$  then  $P$  else  $Q$ "

**Example:** simulate  
 " $x_j := \max(0, x_i - 1)$ " :  
 $x_j := 0 ; x_k := 0 ;$   
 LOOP  $x_i$  DO  
      $x_j := x_k ; x_k := x_k + 1$   
 END

$x_k := 0 ; \text{LOOP } x_j \text{ DO } x_k := 1 \text{ END} ; x_\ell := 1 ;$   
 $\text{LOOP } x_k \text{ DO } P ; x_\ell := 0 \text{ END} ; \text{LOOP } x_\ell \text{ DO } Q \text{ END}$



# Capabilities of LOOP Programs

**Examples:** simulate addition " $x_k := x_j + x_i$ "

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x_k := 0; LOOP x_j DO x_k := x_k + 1 END;
LOOP x_i DO x_k := x_k + 1 END
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Simulate multiplication " $x_k := x_j \times x_i$ "

```
x_k := 0; LOOP x_i DO x_k := x_k + x_j END
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Now recall Ackerman's function (Problem 1d):

$$A(1,n)=2n, \quad A(\ell,0)=1, \quad A(\ell+1,n+1) = A(\ell,A(\ell+1,n))$$

**Theorem:** • To every LOOP program  $P=P(x_1,\dots,x_k)$  there exists some  $\ell=\ell(P)\in\mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $P$  on input  $\underline{x}\in\mathbb{N}^k$  makes at most  $A(\ell,n)<\infty$  steps where  $n:=\max(1,\|\underline{x}\|_1)$

- $A(n,n)$  is not computable by any LOOP program!

## Proof by Structural Induction

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P := (x_j := 0 | x_j := x_i + 1 | P ; P | LOOP x_i DO P END)
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**Lemma:**  $A(\ell+1,n+m) = A(\ell,A(\ell,A(\dots A(\ell,A(\ell+1,n))))$

**Proof,** induction:  $x_j := 0 \mid x_j := x_i + 1$ :  $1 \leq A(1,1)$  steps

$P ; P$  :  $A(\ell,n) + A(\ell,A(\ell,n)) \leq A(\ell,n) + A(\ell+1,n+1) \leq A(\ell+2,n)$  steps

LOOP  $x_i$  DO  $P$  END:

$A(\ell,n-x_i)+A(\ell,A(\ell,n-x_i))+A(\ell,A(\ell,A(\ell,n-x_i)))+\dots$  <sup>[ $x_i$ -iter.]</sup> steps  
 $\leq A(\ell+1,n)+A(\ell+1,n)+\dots \leq A(\ell+2,n)$

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$$A(1,n)=2n, \quad A(\ell,0)=1, \quad A(\ell+1,n+1) = A(\ell,A(\ell+1,n))$$

# Power of LOOP Programs 2

**Def:** Recall bijective  $\mathbb{N}^2 \ni (x,y) \rightarrow \langle x,y \rangle := 2^x \cdot (2y+1) - 1 \in \mathbb{N}$  and write  $\langle x,y,z \rangle := \langle \langle x,y \rangle, z \rangle$ ,  $\langle x,y,z,w \rangle := \langle \langle x,y,z \rangle, w \rangle$  etc.

**Lemma: a)** There exists a LOOP program that, given  $x,y \in \mathbb{N}$ , returns  $\langle x,y \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**b)** There exists a LOOP program that, given  $\langle x,y \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$ , returns  $x$  and  $y \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**c)** There exists a LOOP program that, given integers  $n \leq N$  and  $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots, x_N \rangle$ , returns  $x_n$ .

**d)** There exists a LOOP program that, given  $n \leq N$  and  $y$  and  $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots, x_N \rangle$ , returns  $\langle x_1, x_2, \dots, y, \dots, x_N \rangle$ .

array of integers with indirect addressing

## WHILE Programs

**Syntax in Backus—Naur Form:**

$P := ( x_j := 0 \mid x_j := x_i + 1 \mid P ; P \mid$   
WHILE  $x_j$  DO  $P$  END )

body  
better  
modify  $x_j$

**Semantics:** loop executed as long as  $x_j \neq 0$

**Observation: a)** To every LOOP program  $P$  there exists an equivalent WHILE program  $P'$ .

**b)** As opposed to LOOP programs, a WHILE program might not terminate (on some inputs).

**Question:** Does every WHILE program  $P$  admit a bound  $t(P,n)$  such that  $P$ , on inputs  $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{N}^k$  on which it does terminate, makes at most  $t(P, \|\underline{x}\|_1)$  steps?

# First UTM Theorem

**UTM-Theorem:** There exists a LOOP program  $U'$  that, given  $\langle P \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , simulates  $P$  on input  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  for  $N$  steps.

**Proof (Sketch):** Use one variable  $y$  for  $\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle$ , and  $z$  to store the current program counter of  $P$ :

Case  $\langle P \rangle(z)$ :

„ $x_j := 0$ “ :  $\langle x_1, \dots, x_j, \dots, x_n \rangle := \langle x_1, \dots, 0, \dots, x_n \rangle$  ;  $z := z + 1$   
„ $x_j := x_k + 1$ “ :  $\langle x_1, \dots, x_j, \dots, x_n \rangle := \langle x_1, \dots, x_k + 1, \dots, x_n \rangle$  ;  $z := z + 1$   
„WHILE  $x_j$  DO“ : if  $x_j = 0$  then  $z := 1 + \#$  of corresponding END  
„END“ :  $z := \#$  of corresponding WHILE

**Definition:** Let  $\langle P \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$  denote the encoding of WHILE program  $P$  (e.g. as ascii sequence).

# Normalform Theorem

**UTM-Theorem:** There exists a LOOP program  $U'$  that, given  $\langle P \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\langle x_1, \dots, x_k \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , simulates  $P$  on input  $(x_1, \dots, x_k)$  for  $N$  steps.

**Normalform-Thm:** To every WHILE program  $P$  there exists an equivalent one  $P'$  containing only one WHILE command (and several LOOPS).

**Corollary:** A WHILE program  $U$  can semi-decide the *Halting problem* for WHILE programs, but no WHILE program can decide it.

$H = \{ (\langle P \rangle, \langle x_1, \dots, x_k \rangle) : P \text{ terminates on input } (x_1 \dots x_k) \}$

**Definition:** Let  $\underline{P} = \langle P \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$  denote the encoding of WHILE program  $P$  and  $P = \rangle \underline{P} \langle$  its inverse/decoding.

**Example** (Calculus): imagine  $f(x,y) = \sin(x) \cdot e^y$

**SMN-Theorem a)** There exists a WHILE program  $C$  that, given  $\langle P \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x \in \mathbb{N}$ , returns  $\langle P(x, \cdot) \rangle$ , where  $P(x, \cdot)(x_2, \dots, x_k) := P(x, x_2, \dots, x_k)$

**SMN-Theorem b)** There exists a WHILE program  $D$  that, given  $\langle P \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$ , returns  $\langle Q \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $Q(x, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \rangle P(x) \langle (x_2, \dots, x_k)$  for all  $x, x_2, \dots, x_k$

## Summary of §2

- Computability, semi-/decidability, enumerability
- Examples of undecidable problems
- Reduction: comparing problems
- LOOP programs
- simulating  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $\times$ ,  $\div$ , IF-THEN-ELSE
- "implementing" a stack/array
- Ackermann's function and runtime bounds
- WHILE programs
- UTM, Normalform, SMN Theorem

# §3 Complexity Theory

- Model of computation with cost
- Complexity classes  $\mathcal{P}$ ,  $\mathcal{NP}$ ,  $\mathcal{PSPACE}$ ,  $\mathcal{EXP}$
- and their inclusion relations
- Encoding graphs/non-integer data
- Example problems: **EC, HC, VC, ILP, IS, Clique**
- Comparing difficulty: polynom. reduction
- $\mathcal{NP}$  and completeness
- Time hierarchy,  $\mathcal{UP}$  and cryptography

## Model of Computational Cost

WHILE takes expon. time to add two  $n$ -bit integers

Now WHILE+ programs: Input  $x_1 \in \mathbb{N}$ , output  $x_0 \in \mathbb{N}$

$x_j := 0$  |  $x_j := 1$  |  $x_j := x_i + x_k$  |  $x_j := x_i - x_k$  |  
 $x_j := x_i \div 2$  |  $P;P$  | WHILE  $x_i$  DO  $P$  END

**Definitions:** binary length of  $x \in \mathbb{N}$ :  $\ell(x) := 1 + \lfloor \log_2 x \rfloor$

- **time** of a WHILE+ program  $P$  on input  $\underline{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_k)$
- **space** (=memory) used:  $\max_t \ell(x) := \ell(x_1) + \dots + \ell(x_k)$
- **asymptotic** time/space  $t(n)/s(n)$ :  
worst-case over all inputs  $\underline{x}$  with  $\ell(\underline{x}) < n$
- **better** pairing function  $\langle x, y \rangle := x + (x+y) \cdot (x+y+1) / 2$

# Some Complexity Classes

**Definition:** a) A WHILE+ program computes the function  $f:\mathbb{N}\rightarrow\mathbb{N}$  if on input  $x$  it prints  $f(x)$  and terminates in time  $t(n)$  / space  $s(n)$ ,  $n:=\ell(x)$

**Polynom.growth:**  $\exists k t(n)\leq O(n^k)$ ; **exponential:**  $2^{O(n^k)}$

**Def:** For decision problems  $L\subseteq\mathbb{N}$  or  $L\subseteq\{0,1\}^*$

- $\mathcal{P} = \{ L \text{ decidable in polynomial time} \}$
- $\mathcal{NP} = \{ L \text{ verifiable in polynomial time} \}$ , i.e.

$L = \{ x\in\mathbb{N} : \exists y\in\mathbb{N}, \ell(y)\leq\text{poly}(\ell(x)), \langle x,y\rangle\in V \}$ ,  $V\in\mathcal{P}$

- $\mathcal{PSPACE} = \{ L \text{ decidable in polynomial space} \}$
- $\mathcal{EXP} = \{ L \text{ decidable in exponential time} \}$

**Theorem:**  $\mathcal{P} \subseteq \mathcal{NP} \subseteq \mathcal{PSPACE} \subseteq \mathcal{EXP}$

# Non-Deterministic WHILE+

**Theorem:**  $L\subseteq\mathbb{N}$  is accepted by a non-deterministic polynomial-time WHILE+ program iff  $L\in\mathcal{NP}$ .

$x_j := 0 \mid x_j := 1 \mid x_j := x_i + x_k \mid x_j := x_i - x_k \mid$   
 $x_j := x_i \div 2 \mid \text{guess } x_j \mid P;P \mid \text{WHILE } x_i \text{ DO } P \text{ END}$

**Definition:** A non-deterministic WHILE+ program may (repeatedly) guess a bit (0/1).

- Its **runtime** is  $\leq t(n)$  if it makes no more than  $t(\ell(x_1))$  steps, regardless of the guesses.
- It **accepts** input  $x_1$  if there exists some choice of guessed values such as to return  $x_0=1$ .
- It **rejects**  $x_1$  if no choice of guesses returns  $x_0=1$ .

- A *directed* graph  $G=(V,E)$  is a finite set  $V$  of *vertices* and a set  $E\subseteq V\times V$  of *edges*
- Call  $G$  *undirected* if it holds  $(u,v)\in E \Leftrightarrow (v,u)\in E$
- sometimes  $c:E\rightarrow\mathbb{N}$  assigning *weights* to edges.

For input to a WHILE+ program:

- Represent  $(G,c)$  as adjacency matrix  $A\in\mathbb{N}^{V\times V}$ 
  - $A[u,v] := c(i,j)$  for  $(u,v) \in E$ ,
  - $A[u,v] := "\infty"$  for  $(u,v) \notin E$
- Undirected case: only upper triangular matrix.
- Encoding  $\langle G,c \rangle \in \mathbb{N}$  has  $|\langle G,c \rangle| \geq |V|$

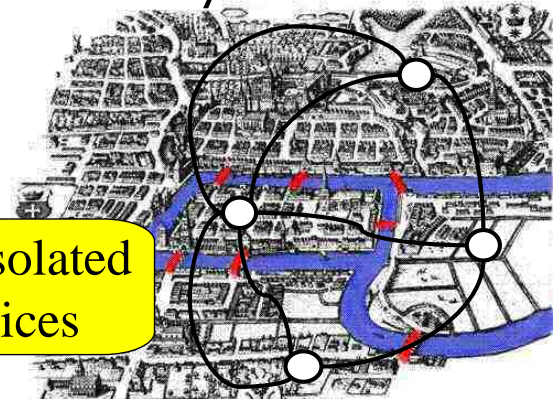
## Example Problems (I)

In an undirected graph  $G$ , Eulerian cycle traverses each edge precisely once;

Hamiltonian cycle visits each vertex precisely once.

$G$  admitting a Eulerian cycle is connected and

save isolated vertices



has an even number of edges incident to each vertex

**Theorem:** Conversely every connected graph with an even number of edges incident to each vertex admits a Eulerian cycle.

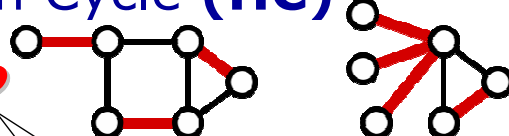
**EC** :=  $\{ \langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ has a Eulerian cycle} \}$  **NP**

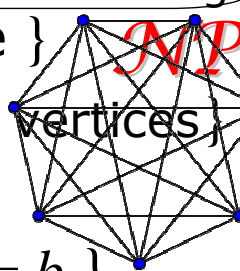
**HC** :=  $\{ \langle G \rangle \mid G \text{ has Hamiltonian cycle} \}$  **NP**

# Example Problems (II)

- Eulerian (EC) vs. Hamiltonian Cycle (HC)
  - (Minimum) **Edge Cover**  $\mathcal{NP}$ 

"To graph  $G$ , find a smallest subset  $F$  of edges s.t. any vertex  $v$  is adjacent to at least one  $e \in F$ ."


  - vs. **Vertex Cover (VC)**  $\mathcal{NP}$ 

Greedily extend a maximum matching
  - **CLIQUE** =  $\{ \langle G, k \rangle \mid G \text{ contains a } k\text{-clique} \}$   $\mathcal{NP}$ 

  - **IS** =  $\{ \langle G, k \rangle : G \text{ has } k \text{ pairwise non-adjacent vertices} \}$
  - Integer Linear Programming  $\mathcal{NP} ?$
- $\mathbf{ILP} = \{ \langle \underline{A}, \underline{b} \rangle : \underline{A} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n \times m}, \underline{b} \in \mathbb{Z}^m, \exists \underline{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^n : \underline{A} \cdot \underline{x} = \underline{b} \}$

$\mathbf{VC} = \{ \langle V, E, k \rangle : \exists U \subseteq V, |U|=k, \forall (x, y) \in E: x \in U \vee y \in U \}$

$\mathcal{NP} \ni \{ x \in \mathbb{N} : \exists y, \ell(y) \leq \text{poly}(\ell(x)), \langle x, y \rangle \in V \}, V \in \mathcal{P}$

# Example Problems (III)

- Def:** A **Boolean term**  $\Phi(Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$  is composed from variables  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$ , constants 0 and 1, and operations  $\vee, \wedge, \neg$ .
- Examples:**
- 0
  - $(\neg x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee \neg y)$
  - $(\neg x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee y) \wedge \neg y$
  - $(\neg x \vee y) \wedge (x \vee \neg z) \wedge (z \vee \neg y) \wedge x \wedge (\neg y)$
- clause* (pointing to a circled clause in the last example)  
*literals* (pointing to circled literals in the last example)
- $\Phi$  in **3-CNF** if  $\Phi = \bigwedge ((\neg)y_i \vee (\neg)y_j \vee (\neg)y_\ell)$

**EVAL:** Given  $\langle \Phi(Y_1, \dots, Y_n) \rangle$  and  $y_1, \dots, y_n \in \{0, 1\}$ , does  $\Phi(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  evaluate to 1?  $\in \mathcal{P}$

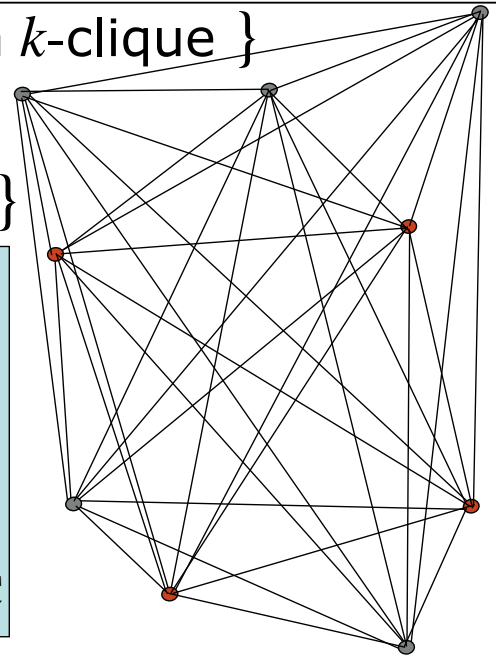
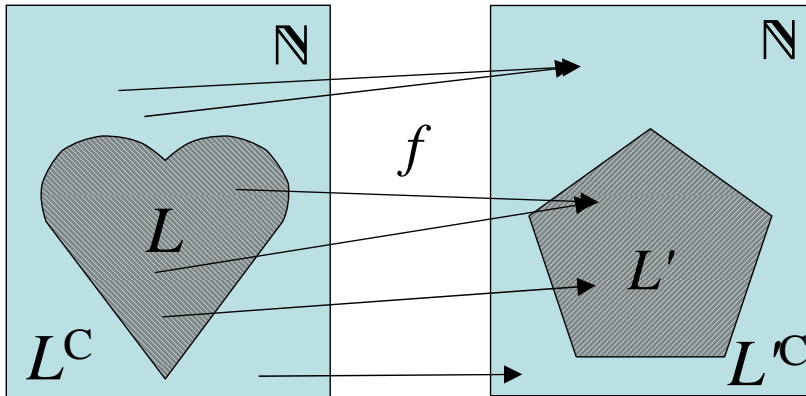
**[k-] SAT:** Given  $\Phi(Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$  [in  $k$ -CNF], does it hold  $\exists y_1, \dots, y_n \in \{0, 1\} : \Phi(y_1, \dots, y_n) = 1$ ?



# Comparing Problems, again

**CLIQUE** =  $\{ \langle G, k \rangle \mid G \text{ contains a } k\text{-clique} \}$

$\equiv_p$  **IS** =  $\{ \langle G, k \rangle : G \text{ has } k \text{ pairwise non-connected vertices} \}$



For  $L, L' \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  write  $L \leq_p L'$  if exists a polynomial-time computable  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\forall \underline{x}: \underline{x} \in L \Leftrightarrow f(\underline{x}) \in L'$ .  
 a)  $L' \in \mathcal{P} \Rightarrow L \in \mathcal{P} \Rightarrow$  so  $L$ .    b)  $L \leq_p L' \leq_p L'' \Rightarrow L \leq_p L''$

# Reduction $\text{IS} \leq_p \text{SAT}$

Goal: Upon input of (the encoding of) a graph  $G$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , produce in polynomial time a CNF formula  $\Phi$  such that:  
 $\Phi$  satisfiable iff  $G$  contains  $\geq k$  independent vertices

Let  $G$  consist of vertices  $V = \{1, \dots, n\}$  and edges  $E$ .

- Consider Boolean variables  $x_{v,i}$   $v \in V, i=1 \dots k$

Vertex  $v$  is # $i$  among the  $k$  independent.

There is an  $i$ -th vertex

- and clauses  $K_i := \bigvee_{v \in V} x_{v,i}$   $i=1 \dots k$

Vertex  $v$  cannot be both # $i$  and # $j$ .

- and  $\neg x_{v,i} \vee \neg x_{v,j}$   $v \in V, 1 \leq i < j \leq k$

- and  $\neg x_{u,i} \vee \neg x_{v,j}$   $\{u, v\} \in E, 1 \leq i < j \leq k$

No adjacent vertices are independent.

- Length of  $\Phi$ :  $O(k \cdot n + n \cdot k^2 + n^2 k^2) = O(n^2 k^2)$

since  $k \leq n$ .

- Computational cost of  $(G, k) \rightarrow \Phi$ : polyn. in  $n + \log k$

# Example Reduction: 4SAT vs. 3SAT

**4-SAT:** Is formula  $\Phi(\underline{Y})$  in 4-CNF satisfiable?  
**3-SAT:** Is formula  $\Phi(\underline{Y})$  in 3-CNF satisfiable?

Given  $\Phi = (a \vee b \vee c \vee d) \wedge (p \vee q \vee r \vee s) \wedge \dots$

with **literals**  $a, b, c, d, p, q, r, s, \dots$

variables,  
possibly negated

Introduce new variables  $u, v, \dots$  and consider

$$\Phi' := (a \vee b \vee u) \wedge (\neg u \vee c \vee d) \wedge (p \vee q \vee v) \wedge (\neg v \vee r \vee s) \wedge \dots$$

$$f: \langle \Phi \rangle \rightarrow \langle \Phi' \rangle$$

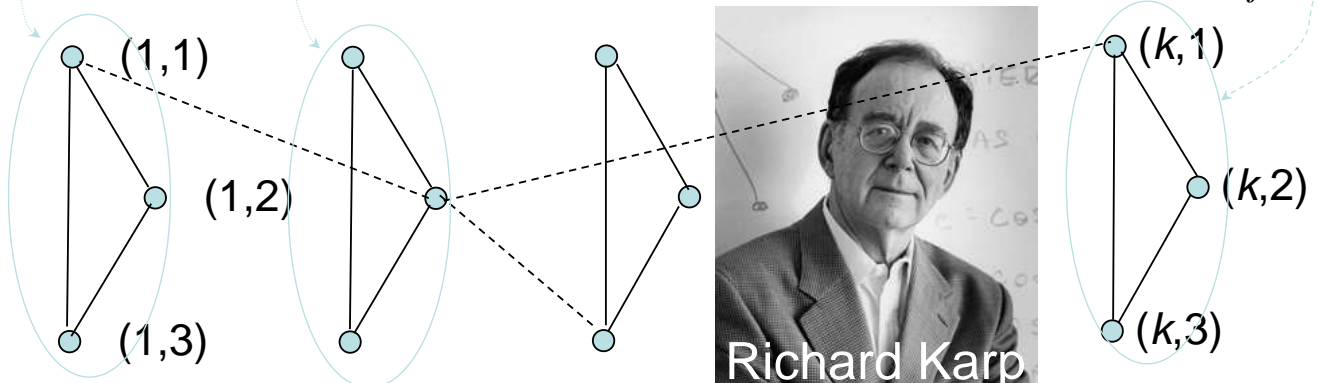
For  $L, L' \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  write  $L \leq_c L'$  if exists a computable  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\forall \underline{x}: \underline{x} \in L \Leftrightarrow f(\underline{x}) \in L'$ .

# Reduction $3SAT \leq_p IS$

Produce, given a 3-CNF term  $\Phi$ , within polynomial time a graph  $G$  and integer  $k$  such that it holds:  $\Phi$  is satisfiable iff  $G$  contains  $k$  pairwise non-adjacent vertices.

e.g.  $(u \vee \dots \vee \dots) \wedge (\dots \vee \neg u \vee \dots) \wedge (\dots \vee \dots \vee u) \wedge (u \vee \dots \vee \dots)$

$\Phi = C_1 \wedge C_2 \dots \wedge C_k$ ,  $C_i = x_{i1} \vee x_{i2} \vee x_{i3}$ ,  $x_{is}$  literals  
 $V := \{ (i,1), \dots, (i,3) : i \leq k \}$ ,  $E := \{ \{(i,s), (j,t)\} : i=j \text{ or } \bar{x}_{is} = x_{jt} \}$



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unknown yet

- Showed:  $\text{CLIQUE} \equiv_p \text{IS} \leq_p \text{SAT} \equiv_p \text{3SAT} \leq_p \text{IS}$ .
- **These 4 problem have about same complexity:**
  - Either all are belong to  $\mathcal{P}$ , or none of them.
- We will show: Also  $\text{TSP}$ ,  $\text{HC}$ ,  $\text{VC}$  and many further problems in  $\mathcal{NP}$  belong to this class called  $\mathcal{NPC}$ .
- **And** will show: These are 'hardest' problems in  $\mathcal{NP}$ .  
Cook-Levin Theorem: Every  $L \in \mathcal{NP}$  has  $L \leq_p \text{SAT}$ .
- That is, if someone finds a polynomial time algorithm for any problem in  $\mathcal{NPC}$ , this would prove  $\mathcal{P}=\mathcal{NP}$ :
- A deterministic **WHILE+** program could simulate any *non-deterministic* one with polynomial slowdown!
- And, conversely, a proof that any of these probleme cannot be solved in polynomial time implies that no problem in  $\mathcal{NPC}$  can be solved in polynomial time!

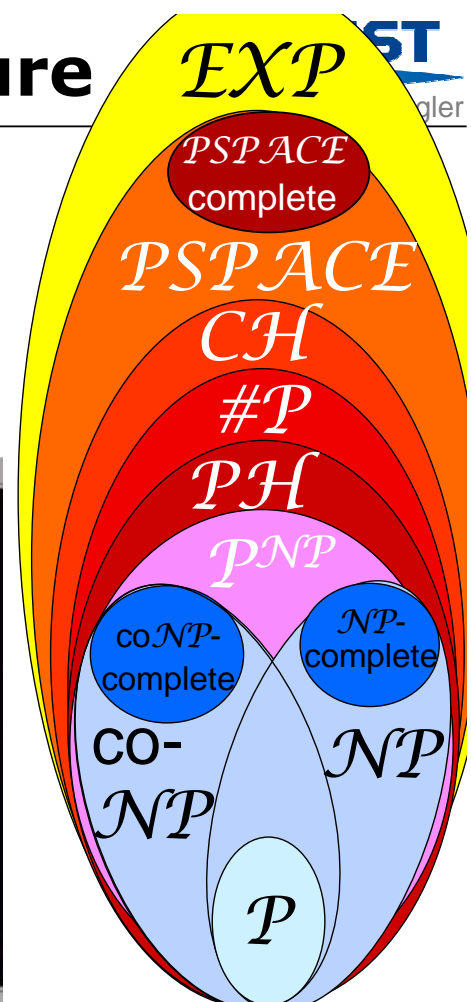
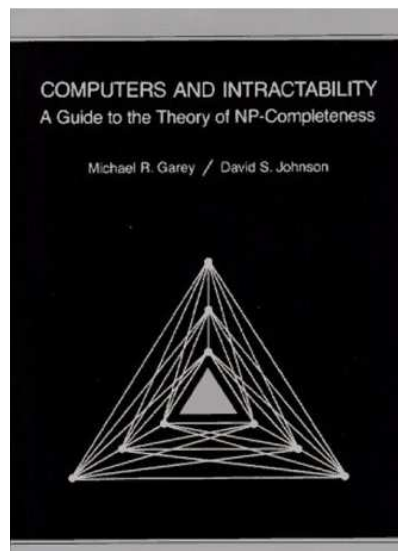
## Complexity Class Picture

**Def:**  $A \in \mathcal{NP}$  is  **$\mathcal{NP}$ -complete** if  $L \leq_p A$  holds for every  $L \in \mathcal{NP}$ .

**Theorem (Cook'72/Levin'71):**  
**SAT is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete!**

**Lemma:** For A  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete and  $A \leq_p B \in \mathcal{NP}$ , B is also  $\mathcal{NPC}$ .

Now know  $\approx 500$  natural problems  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete...



The following problem **UNP** is  $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete:

$\{ \langle \mathcal{A}, x, 2^N \rangle : \text{nondetermin. WHILE+ program } \mathcal{A} \text{ accepts input } x \text{ within at most } N \text{ steps} \}$

**Proof:**  $\text{UNP} \in \mathcal{NP}$ :  $\checkmark$

Let  $L \in \mathcal{NP}$  be arbitrary but fixed.

There exists a nondeterministic **WHILE+** prog.  $\mathcal{A}$  accepting  $L$  in time  $p(n)$  for some polynomial  $p$ .

Reduction  $x \rightarrow \langle \mathcal{A}, x, 2^{p(\ell(x))} \rangle$ . ■

$\mathcal{NP} \ni \{ x \in \mathbb{N} : \exists y, \ell(y) \leq \text{poly}(\ell(x)), \langle x, y \rangle \in V \}, V \in \mathcal{P}$

## SubsetSum is $\mathcal{NP}$ -complete

$\{ \langle a_1, \dots, a_N, b \rangle \mid a_1, \dots, a_N, b \in \mathbb{N}, \exists \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N \in \{0, 1\} : b = \sum_i a_i \cdot \alpha_i \}$

- **SubsetSum**  $\in \mathcal{NP}$   $\checkmark$  Show:  $3\text{SAT} \leq_p \text{SubsetSum}$
- In polyn.time:  $3\text{CNF } \Phi \rightarrow A \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  and  $b \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.
- $\exists$  satisf. assignm. of  $\Phi \Leftrightarrow \exists B \subseteq A : b = \sum_{a \in B} a$

Eg.  $\Phi = (x_1 \vee \neg x_3 \vee x_5) \wedge (\neg x_1 \vee x_5 \vee x_4) \wedge (\neg x_2 \vee \neg x_2 \vee \neg x_5)$

|          |     |       |           |     |       |          |     |       |
|----------|-----|-------|-----------|-----|-------|----------|-----|-------|
| $v_1 :=$ | 100 | 10000 | $v_1' :=$ | 010 | 10000 | $b :=$   | 444 | 11111 |
| $v_2 :=$ | 000 | 01000 | $v_2' :=$ | 002 | 01000 | $c_1 :=$ | 100 | 00000 |
| $v_3 :=$ | 000 | 00100 | $v_3' :=$ | 100 | 00100 | $d_1 :=$ | 200 | 00000 |
| $v_4 :=$ | 010 | 00010 | $v_4' :=$ | 000 | 00010 | $c_2 :=$ | 010 | 00000 |
| $v_5 :=$ | 110 | 00001 | $v_5' :=$ | 001 | 00001 | $d_2 :=$ | 020 | 00000 |
|          |     |       |           |     |       | $c_3 :=$ | 001 | 00000 |

$m$  clauses in  $n$  var.s  $\rightarrow 2n+2m+1$  values à  $n+m$  dec.digits

# Time Hierarchy Theorem

The following problem  $\text{UTIME}^3$  can be decided in time  $O(n^5)$  but not in time  $O(n^2)$ :

$\{ \langle \mathcal{A}, 2^N \rangle : \text{deterministic WHILE+ program } \mathcal{A} \text{ does not accept input } \langle \mathcal{A}, 2^N \rangle \text{ within at most } (|\langle \mathcal{A} \rangle| + N)^3 \text{ steps} \}$

**Proof:**  $\text{UTIME}^3$  decidable in time  $O(n^5)$ .  $\checkmark$

Suppose  $\mathcal{B}$  decides  $\text{UTIME}^3$  in  $\leq K \cdot n^2$  steps,  $K \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$N \gg K$  Case  $\langle \mathcal{B}, 2^N \rangle \in \text{UTIME}^3$ : contradiction.  
Case  $\langle \mathcal{B}, 2^N \rangle \notin \text{UTIME}^3$ : contradiction.

$\mathcal{U}$  simulates  $\mathcal{A}$  on input  $\underline{x}$  in time  $|\langle \mathcal{A} \rangle|^2 + |\langle \underline{x} \rangle|^2$  per step

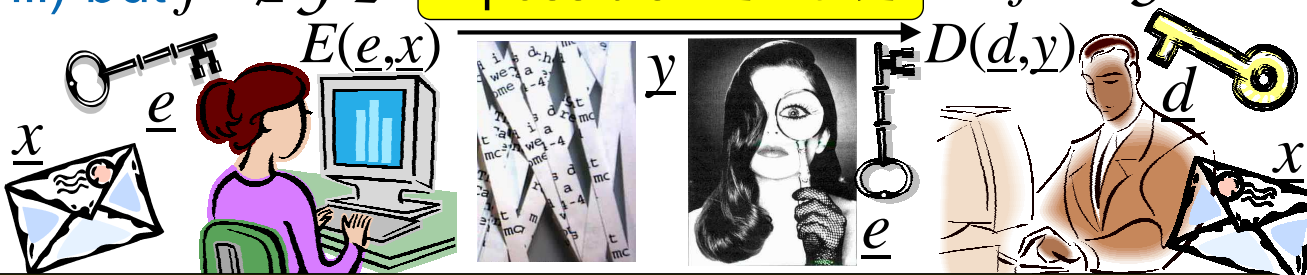
# Complexity and Cryptography

A **Public-Key System** with key-pair  $(\underline{e}, \underline{d})$  consists of two functions  $E(\underline{e}, \underline{x})$  and  $D(\underline{d}, \underline{y})$  such that  $D(\underline{d}, E(\underline{e}, \underline{x})) = \underline{x}$  holds for all  $\underline{x}$ .

Call  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  a **one-way function** if

**RSA**

- i) injective and  $\ell(\underline{x})^k \geq \ell(f(\underline{x})) \geq \ell(\underline{x})^{1/k}$  for some  $k$
- ii) computable in polynomial time (i.e.  $f \in \text{FP}$ )
- iii) but  $f^{-1} \notin \text{FP}$  impossible if  $P = \text{NPNP} \Rightarrow f^{-1} \in \text{FNP}$



encrypt with private key  $\underline{e}$ , decrypt with public key  $\underline{d}$ .

**Definition:** Call a nondeterm. **WHILE+** program unambiguous if, for any input  $x$ ,  $\mathcal{P} \subseteq UP \subseteq NP$  it has at most one accepting computation.

$UP = \{ \text{decision problems accepted by unambiguous polynomial-time nondeterm. WHILE+ programs} \}$

**Theorem:**  $P \neq UP$  iff one-way functions exist.

**Proof  $\Leftarrow$ :** For one-way  $f$  let  $L := \{ (x,y) \mid \exists z \leq x: f(z)=y \}$   
Then  $L \in UP$ . Binary search with polynomially many queries for  $L \in P$  would imply  $f^1 \in FP$ .

**$\Rightarrow$ :** Let  $UP \setminus P \ni L = \{ x \mid \exists y : (y) \leq \ell(x)^k, \langle x,y \rangle \in V \}$   
and define  $f(\langle x,y \rangle) := 2x+1$  for  $x \in L$ ; else  $f(z) := 2z$ .  
This is one-way!

## Summary of §3

- Model of computation *with* (bit) cost
- Complexity classes  $P$ ,  $NP$ ,  $PSPACE$ ,  $EXP$
- and their inclusion relations
- Encoding graphs/non-integer data
- Example problems: **EC, HC, VC, ILP, IS, Clique**
- Comparing difficulty: polynom. reduction
- $NP$  and completeness
- Time hierarchy,  $UP$  and cryptography

## The Theory of Computation

- considers mathematical models of computers
- (often separating their syntax from semantics),
- explores their capabilities and limitations
- as well as optimal asymptotic algorithmic cost.

## §1 Motivation and Examples

## §2 Computability Theory

## §3 Complexity Theory

# Perspectives

CS500 Design and Analysis of Algorithms (M.Z.)

CS520 Theory of Programming Languages

CS522 Theory of Formal Languages and Automata

CS548 Advanced Information Security

CS610 Parallel Processing

CS624 Program Analysis

CS700 Topics in Computation Theory

CS712 Topics in Parallel Processing

Theory of Computation Seminar