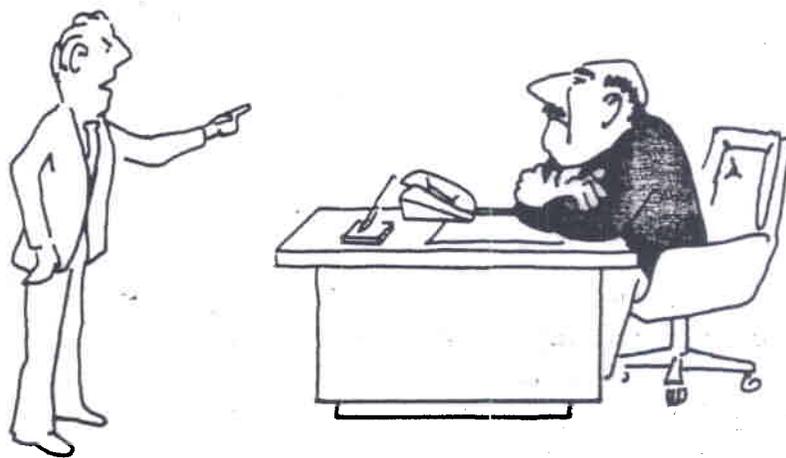


"I can't find an efficient algorithm, I guess I'm just too dumb."



"I can't find an efficient algorithm, because no such algorithm is possible!"

Sat \in NP: proof = satisfying assignment

Graph coloring \in NP: proof = coloring

k-clique, k-vertex cover, k-independent set \in NP

Tautology \in co-NP ("no" instances have a proof)

NP complete:

1) in NP

2) every problem in NP reducible to it.

Transitivity of p-time reduction implies

NP complete iff

1) in NP

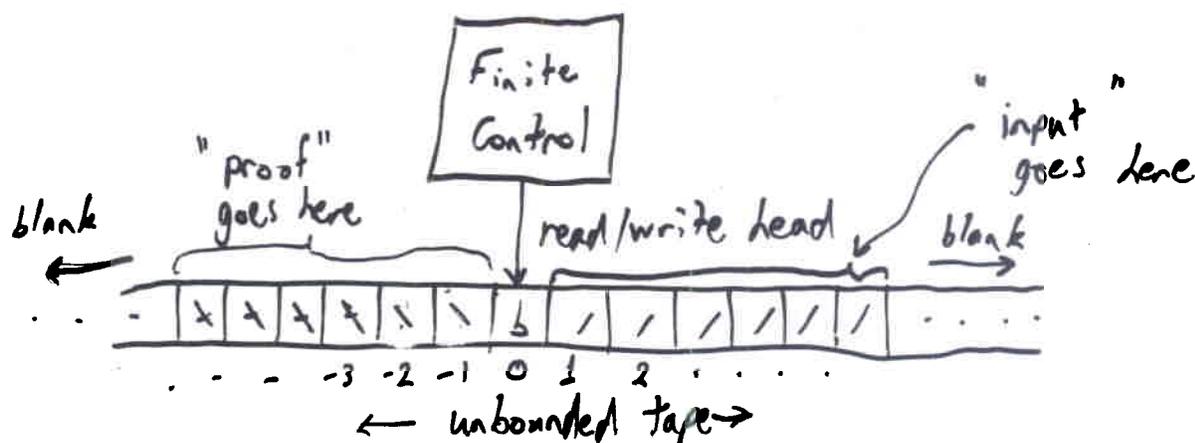
2') some NP-complete problem reducible to it.

We need one NP-complete problem to get started.

Cook-Levin Theorem: Sat is NP-complete.

Given any p -time verifier, construct (in p -time)
an instance of Sat s.t. verifier answers "yes"
iff formula is satisfiable.

Verifier: Turing Machine



In one step, machine can write a symbol, move head one position, change state.

What to do is based on state, symbol read.

Fixed # of states, fixed # of tape symbols, including blank; start state, "yes" state, ("no" state)

Explicitly given polynomial time bound $p(n)$.

Input (of size n) is a "yes" instance iff
for some "proof" and given input, the machine
reaches "yes" state within $p(n)$ steps from
start state.

Must construct a formula that is satisfiable
iff this happens.

Note: input is specified, proof is not (non deterministic
part)

Proof can't exceed length $p(n)$: machine can't get
further in $p(n)$ steps.

Can assume machine loops in "yes" state: if
ever in "yes", will be in "yes" at step $p(n)$.

States: $1, \dots, \gamma$ $1 = \text{start}, \gamma = \text{yes}$

Symbols: $1, \dots, z$ $\perp = \text{blank}$

Tape cells, $-p(n), \dots, 0, \dots, p(n)$

Time: $0, 1, \dots, p(n)$

Variables for formula:

h_{it} : true if head on tape cell i at time t
 $-p(n) \leq i \leq p(n), 0 \leq t \leq p(n)$

s_{jt} : true if state j at time t
 $1 \leq j \leq \gamma, 0 \leq t \leq p(n)$

c_{ikt} : true if tape cell i holds symbol k at time t
 $-p(n) \leq i \leq p(n), 1 \leq k \leq z, 0 \leq t \leq p(n)$

What does the formula need to say?

At most one state, head position, and symbol

per cell at each time:

$$(\bar{h}_{i,t} \vee \bar{h}_{i',t}) \quad i \neq i', \text{ all } t$$

$$(\bar{s}_{j,t} \vee \bar{s}_{j',t}) \quad j \neq j', \text{ all } t$$

$$(\bar{c}_{ikt} \vee \bar{c}_{ik't}) \quad k \neq k', \text{ all } i, \text{ all } t$$

Correct initial state, head position, and tape

contents:

$$h_{00} \wedge s_{10} \wedge c_{010} \wedge c_{1k_1 0} \wedge c_{2k_2 0} \wedge \dots \wedge c_{nk_n 0}$$

$$\wedge c_{(n+1)10} \wedge \dots \wedge c_{p(n)10}$$

Input is $k_1 k_2 \dots k_n$, rest of right side of
tape is blank

Correct final state: $s_{yp(n)}$

Correct transitions:

E.g. if machine in state j reads k , it then writes k' , moves head right, and changes to state j' :

$$s_{j,t} \wedge h_{i,t} \wedge c_{i,k,t} \supset s_{j',t+1} \wedge h_{i+1,t+1} \wedge c_{i,k',t+1}$$

(\supset = "implies") (for each i, j, k)

$$h_{i,t} \wedge c_{i,k,t} \supset c_{i,k,t+1} \text{ (for } i \neq i', \text{ each } k, t)$$

(unread tape cells are unaffected)

CNF?

Any proof that gives a "yes" execution
gives a satisfying assignment, and
vice-versa.

Conclusion: SAT is NP-complete

(and k -coloring, k -clique, k -independent set,
 k -vertex cover)

$$(x \wedge y \wedge z) \supset (a \wedge b \wedge c)$$

\Rightarrow

$$((x \wedge y \wedge z) \supset a)$$

$$((x \wedge y \wedge z) \supset b)$$

$$((x \wedge y \wedge z) \supset c)$$

\Rightarrow

$$(\bar{x} \vee \bar{y} \vee \bar{z} \vee a)$$

$$(\bar{x} \vee \bar{y} \vee \bar{z} \vee b)$$

$$(\bar{x} \vee \bar{y} \vee \bar{z} \vee c)$$

Subset Sum is NP-complete

Given n integers, and a target k , is there
a subset that sums to exactly k ?

$\{2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 12\}$ $k = 31$

yes: 5, 6, 8, 12 $n = \# \text{ of bits}$

(no for $k = 30$)

In NP: subset is proof (verifiable in p -time)

Some NPC problem reducible to subset sum

reduce 3-CNF sat to subset sum

Write numbers base 10

$$(x \vee \bar{y} \vee \bar{z}) \wedge (\bar{x} \vee y \vee z) \wedge (y \vee \bar{z})$$

$C_1 \qquad C_2 \qquad C_3$

	x	y	z	C_1	C_2	C_3	
x	1	0	0	1	0	0	
\bar{x}	1	0	0	0	1	0	
y	0	1	0	0	1	1	← y makes C_2, C_3 true
\bar{y}	0	1	0	1	0	0	
z	0	0	1	0	1	0	
\bar{z}	0	0	1	1	0	1	← \bar{z} makes C_1, C_2 true
	0	0	0	1	0	0	
	0	0	0	2	0	0	
	0	0	0	0	1	0	
	0	0	0	0	2	0	
	0	0	0	0	0	1	
	0	0	0	0	0	2	
	1	1	1	4	4	4	=k Required sum

Interpret each row as a base 10 number.

Subset sum has a solution iff formula is satisfiable.