

# UNIT-VI

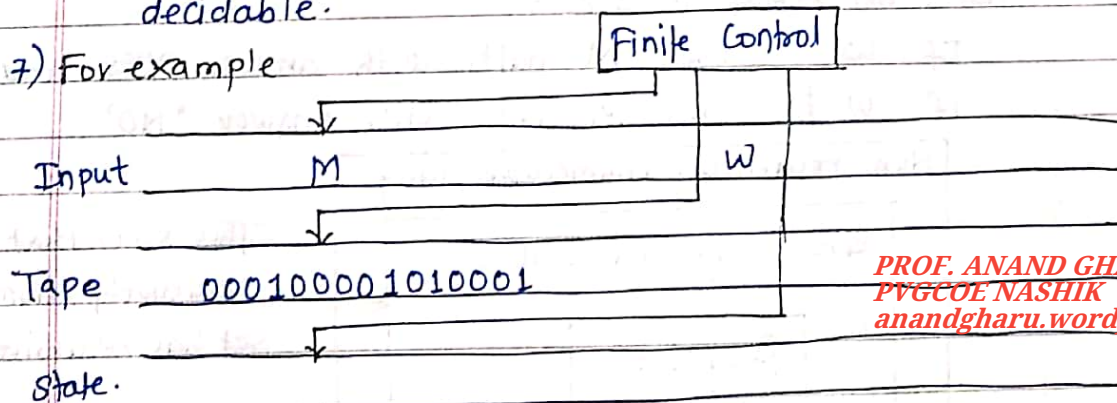
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## Undecidability & Intractable Problem.

\* Recursively Enumerable and Recursive Language =

- 1) A language is called recursively enumerable if and only if the language is accepted by some Turing Machine  $M$ .
- 2) In other word,  $L$  is said to be  $L = L(M)$  for some TM  $M$ . There are certain language is not recursively enumerable.
- 3) Consider language consisting a pair  $(M, w)$  where, 1)  $M$ , a Turing Machine with i/p set  $(0, 1)$   
2)  $w$ , a binary string consisting of 0's and 1's.  
3)  $M$  accept  $w$ .
- 4) Following statements are equivalent
- The lang.  $L$  is Turing acceptable.
  - The lang  $L$  is recursively enumerable.
  - The lang  $L$  is recursive.
  - The lang  $L$  is Turing Decidable.
- 5) Every Turing decidable lang is Turing acceptable.
- 6) Every Turing acceptable lang need not be Turing decidable.

7) For example



- 8) - The universal lang can be represented by  $(M, w)$  where  $M$  is TM accepted lang, &  $w$  is binary string  $(0+1)^*$ .

9) - The universal Turing m/c  $U$  accepts the T.M.

- The transition  $q$   $m$  are stored initially on first ~~tap~~ tape along with string  $w$ .

10) on the 2<sup>nd</sup> tape, the simulated tape  $q$   $M$  is placed.

Here the tape symbol  $X_i$   $q$   $M$  will be represented by  $0^i$  and tape symbol are separated by single 1's.

\* Turing acceptable language :-

→ NOTE :- you can write same answer as above question  
Just add definition of turing acceptable.

" A language  $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$  is said to be turing being acceptable lang. if there is turing Machine  $M$ .

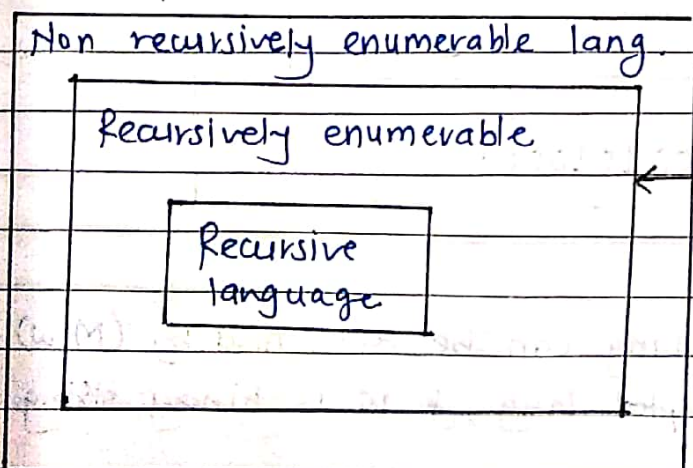
which halts on every  $w \in L$  with an answer 'YES'  
However, if  $w \notin L$ , then  $M$  may not halt.

\* Turing decidable / Solvable :-

→ NOTE :- Same answer as above.  
Just add definition of it.

" The Language  $L \subseteq \Sigma^*$  is said to be turing being decidable if there is turing machine  $M$  which always halts on every  $w \in \Sigma^*$ .

If  $w \in L$  then  $M$  halts with answer 'YES' and  
if  $w \notin L$  then  $M$  halts with answer 'NO'



This show that every recursively enumerable set has recursive subset.

\* Show that for two recursive languages  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  each of the following is recursive.

- i)  $L_1 \cup L_2$     ii)  $L_1 \cap L_2$     iii)  $L_1$

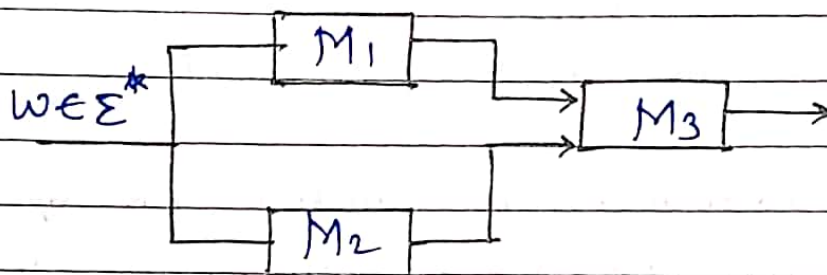
1)  $L_1 \cup L_2$  is recursive.

→ Let the TM  $M_1$  decides  $L_1$  and  $M_2$  decides  $L_2$ .

- If a word  $w \in L_1$  then  $M_1$  returns 'Yes' else it returns 'No'.

Similarly if word  $w \in L_2$  then  $M_2$  returns 'Yes' else 'No'.

- Let us construct TM  $M_3$  as shown in figure



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A Turing Machine for  $L_1 \cup L_2$

- Output of machine  $M_1$  is written on the tape of  $M_3$
- output of  $M_2$  is written on the tape of  $M_3$
- The  $M_3$  returns 'Yes' as o/p, if at least one of the o/p of  $M_1$  or  $M_2$  is 'Yes'.

- It should be clear that  $M_3$  decides  $L_1 \cup L_2$ .

As both  $L_1$  &  $L_2$  are Turing decidable. after finite time both  $M_1$  &  $M_2$  will halt with answer 'Yes' or 'No'.

- The machine  $M_3$  gets activated after  $M_1$  or  $M_2$  is halted. (stopped)

- The machine  $M_3$  halts with answer 'Yes' if  $w \in L_1$  or  $w \in L_2$  else  $M_3$  halts with o/p 'No'.

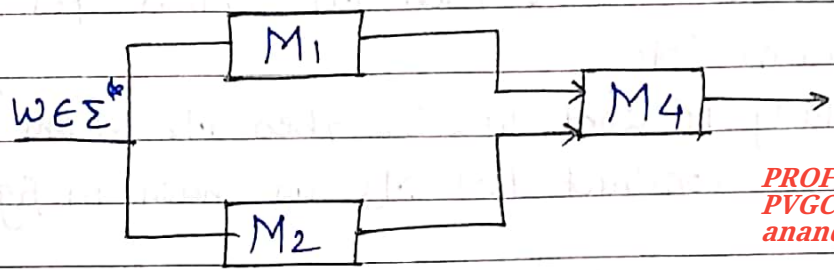
Thus,  $L_1 \cup L_2$  is Turing decidable or Recursive.

ii)  $L_1 \cap L_2$  is recursive  $\frac{0}{0}$

→ Let the turing machine  $M_1$  decides  $L_1$  and  $M_2$  decides  $L_2$ . If word  $w \in L$  then  $M_1$  return 'Yes' else it returns 'No'

Similarly if  $w \in L_2$  then  $M_2$  returns 'Yes' else 'No'

- Let's consider TM  $M_4$  as shown in fig.



A Turing Machine for  $L_1 \cap L_2$

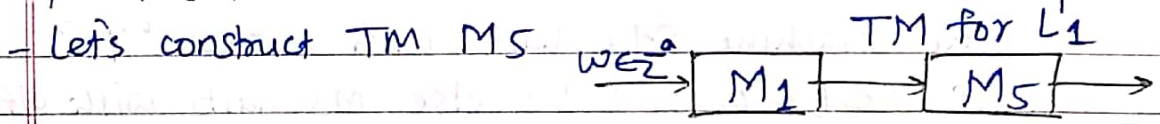
- o/p of machine  $M_1$  is written on the tape of  $M_4$ .
- o/p of m/c  $M_2$  is written on the tape of  $M_4$ .
- The m/c  $M_4$  returns 'Yes' as o/p,

If both  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are "Yes"  
 otherwise  $M_4$  returns 'No'

- It should be clear that  $M_4$  decides  $L_1 \cap L_2$ .  
 As both  $L_1$  &  $L_2$  are turing decidable, after finite time both  $M_1$  &  $M_2$  will halt with answer 'Yes'/'No'.
- The m/c  $M_4$  is activated after  $M_1$  &  $M_2$  are halted.  
 The m/c  $M_4$  halts with answer 'Yes' if  $w \in L_1$  &  $w \in L_2$  else  $M_4$  halts with answer 'No'.

iii)  $L^c$  is recursive  $\frac{0}{0}$

→ Let the TM ~~decides~~  $M_1$  decides  $L_1$



- o/p of machine  $m_1$  is written on the tape of  $M_5$ .
- The m/c  $M_5$  returns 'Yes' as o/p if the <sup>o/p</sup> of  $M_1$  is 'No' otherwise.  $M_5$  returns 'No'.
- It should be clear that  $M_5$  decides  $L^c$ . As  $L$  is turing decidable after finite time  $M_1$  will halt with answer Yes/No.
- The m/c  $M_5$  is activated after  $M_1$  halts.

## \* Undecidability $\hat{=}$ (Unsolvable)

→ "A Problem is said to be decidable if there exist a Turing machine that gives correct answer for every statement in the domain of problem otherwise, the class of problem is said to be un-decidable"

- These two statements are equivalent.

- 1) A class of problem is Un-decidable
- 2) A class of problem is Un-solvable

- A language can be proved to be un-decidable through a method of reduction.

- As we have already seen that halting problem is Undecidable

- Some standard Un-decidable problem.

- 1) Halting problem of Turing M/C.
- 2) Diagonalization lang.
- 3) The Post Correspondence Problem.
- 4) The Universal lang.

### 1) Halting Problem $\hat{=}$

→ NOTE  $\hat{=}$  1) Already written answer in notes of Turing machine.  
2) write above theory & explain any 1 standard.

## \* Un-decidability of Post Correspondence $\hat{=}$

→ "Let A and B be two non-empty list of string over  $\Sigma$ .

A and B are given below.

$$A = \{x_1, x_2, x_3 \dots x_n\}$$

$$B = \{y_1, y_2, y_3 \dots y_m\}$$

We say, there is post correspondence between A & B. if there is a sequence of one/more integer

$i, j, k \dots m$  such that

The string  $x_i, x_j \dots x_m$  is equal to  $y_i, y_j \dots y_m$

## Post Correspondence Problem

example :

$$A = \{a_1, aba_2^3, ab_3\} \text{ and } B = \{a_1^3, ab_2, b_3\}$$

We will have to find a sequence using which when the elements of A and B are listed, it will produce identical string.

The required sequence is (2, 1, 1, 3)

$$A_2 A_1 A_1 A_3 = \{aba^3 a a ab\} = aba^6b$$

$$B_2 B_1 B_1 B_3 = \{ab a^3 a^3 b\} = aba^6b.$$

We are accepting the Un-decidability of Post Correspondence Problem.

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\* The classes P and NP.

P → The class of problem is denoted by P are solvable by a deterministic Turing machine in polynomial time.

NP → The class of problem denoted by NP are solvable by Non-deterministic Turing machine polynomial time.

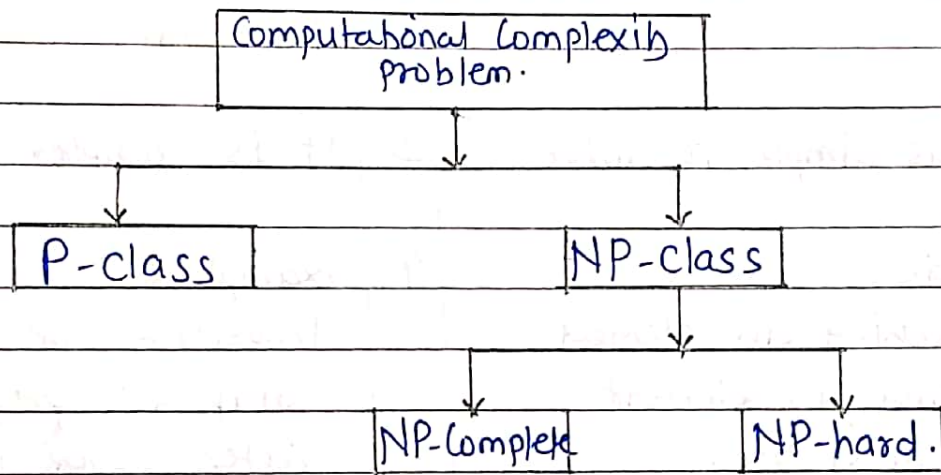
- P Problem are feasible or theoretically not difficult to solve by Computational means.
- The distinguish features of problem is that for each instance of any of these problem, there exists deterministic Turing machine that solves the Problem having time complexity as polynomial function of the size the Problem.
- P stands for polynomial
- NP stand for Non-deterministic Polynomial.

- There are two groups in which problems can be classified.  
The 1<sup>st</sup> problem that can be solved in polynomial time.

e.g. Searching element  
Sorting element.

- The 2<sup>nd</sup> problem that can be solved in non-deterministic polynomial time

e.g. Knapsack problem  
Travelling salesman problem.



\* P Problem Example

- 1) Searching element from list
- 2) Sorting element
- 3) Minimal Spanning tree.
- 4) Prim's Algorithm
- 5) Kruskal Algorithm

\* NP-Complete Problem Example

- 1) Traveling Salesman Problem (TSP)
- 2) Vertex Cover Problem (VCP)
- 3) Hamiltonian Circuit Problem (HCP)
- 4) Satisfiability Problem (SAT)
- 5) Exact Cover Problem

## \* Difference bet<sup>n</sup> P class & NP class problem

Sl No	P Class	Sl No	NP-class problem
1.	P stands for Polynomial time (deterministic)	1.	NP stands for Non-deterministic Polynomial.
2.	Problem that can be solved in polynomial time are called as P-class	2.	Problem that can be solved in non-deterministic Polynomial time are called as NP-class.
3.	It is simple to solve.	3.	It is complex to solve.
4.	Example: Searching an element Sorting an element. Spanning tree.	4.	Example: Travelling Salesman Problem. Knapsack problem Vertex Cover Problem.
5	P class is tractable	5	NP class is Intractable

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## \* Polynomial time Reduction

→ "A polynomial time reduction is a Polynomial-time algo. which construct the instance of a problem  $P_2$  from the instance of some other problem  $P_1$ ."

- A Problem  $P_1$  equivalently represents a lang  $L_1$ .
- we say that Problem  $P_2$  can be solved in polynomial time if we can reduce, another problem  $P_1$ , which is known not be in P to  $P_2$ .

- Let  $L_1 \subseteq \Sigma_1^*$  and  $L_2 \subseteq \Sigma_2^*$  be language, A polynomial time Computable fun<sup>n</sup>  $f: \Sigma_1^* \rightarrow \Sigma_2^*$  is called Polynomial-time reduction from  $L_1$  to  $L_2$  if and only if.  
for each  $x \in L_1$ ,  $f(x) \in L_2$ .



## \* Polynomial time Reduction :-

- To Prove whether Particular Problem is NP Complete or not, we use Polynomial time reducibility. that means if.

$A \xrightarrow{\text{poly}} B$  and  $B \xrightarrow{\text{poly}} C$  then  $A \xrightarrow{\text{poly}} C$

- The reduction is imp task in NP Completeness Proof.
- Various types of reduction :-

### 1) Local Replacement :-

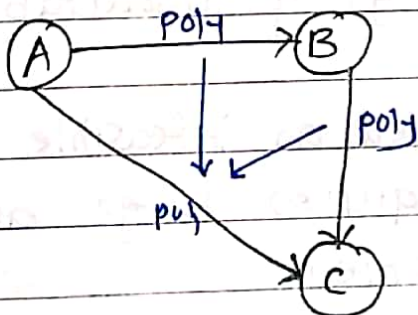
In this reduction,  $A \rightarrow B$  is dividing i/p to A in the form of components and then these components can be converted to components of B.

### 2) Component design :-

In this reduction,  $A \rightarrow B$  by building special component for input B that enforce properties required by A.

The reduction can be denoted by  $A \leq^P B$ .

## Example :-



If  $f(A \rightarrow B)$  and  $f(B \rightarrow C)$  then  $(A \rightarrow C)$   
this is Polynomial time Reduction.

## \* Tractable and Intractable $\frac{0}{1}$

→ "Tractable Problems are the class of problem that can be solved within reasonable time & space."

for example :

- Searching of key from list
- Sorting of list
- These algo takes  $O(n \log n)$ ,  $O(n)$ ,  $O(n)^2$  time complexity.
- We normally expect that tractable problem to be solved in Polynomial time.
- It is also called as P-Problem.

"Intractable Problem are the class of problem that can be solved within Polynomial time."

- This leads to two classes of solving problem - P class and NP-class.
- The lower bound of these algo. take exponential time complexities.
- > for example,

Tower of Hanoi is e.g. of Intractable. Problem.

- Intractable is also called as infeasible problem.
- Intractable problem requires large amount of resources to solve problem.

Hence, it is infeasible.

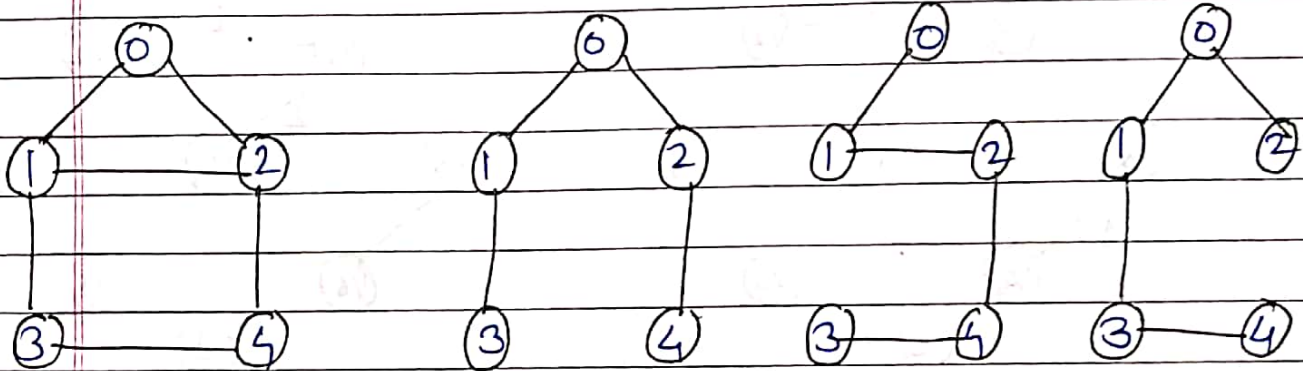
\* Example of Polynomial time :-

\* Kruskal Algorithm :-

→ A spanning tree of a graph  $G = (V, E)$  is a connected subgraph of  $G$  having all vertices of  $G$  and no cycle in it.

If graph  $G$  is not connected then there is no spanning tree of  $G$ .

A graph may have multiple spanning tree.



sample connected graph.

Spanning tree of graph.

- There are two types of spanning tree

1) Prim's algo.

2) Kruskal's algo.

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\* Kruskal's algorithm :-

- It is one of the methods for finding the minimum cost of spanning tree of the given graph.

- In Kruskal's algo., edges are added to spanning tree in increasing order of cost.

- If any selected edge forms a cycle in spanning tree, then it is discarded.

Algo :- 1) Arrange the edges of graph  $G$  in ascending order of weight

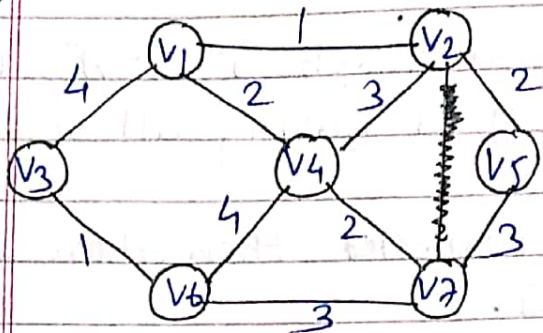
2) Let  $G = (V, E)$  has  $n$  vertices. construct min<sup>n</sup> spanning tree

$$G_T = (V_T, E_T) \quad \therefore V_T = V \text{ and } E_T = \{ \}$$

3) For every edge  $e_i$  in  $(e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k)$

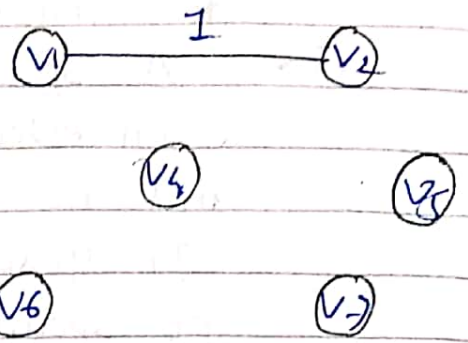
if  $e_i$  does not form a cycle in  $G_T$  then  $E_T = E_T \cup \{e_i\}$

# Example of Kruskal algo

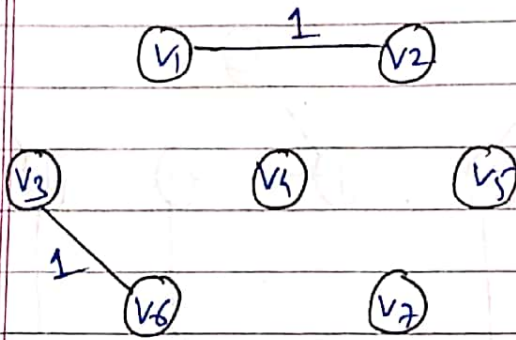


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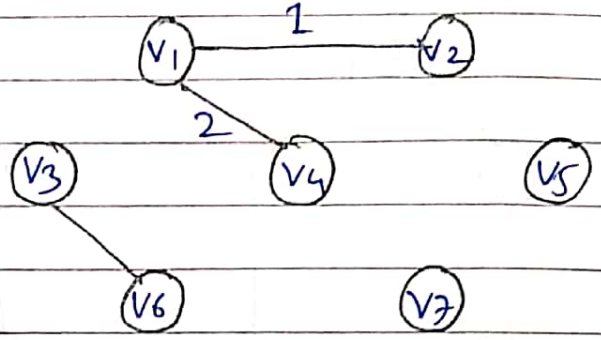
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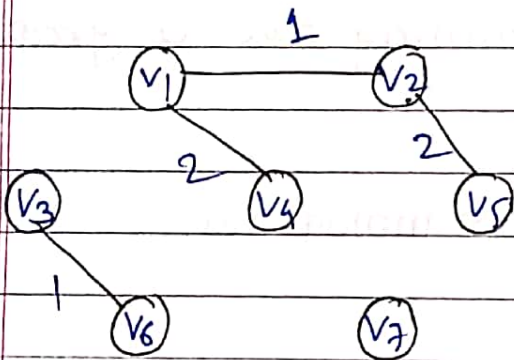
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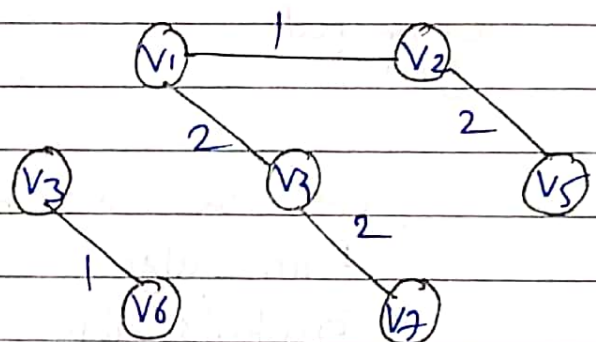
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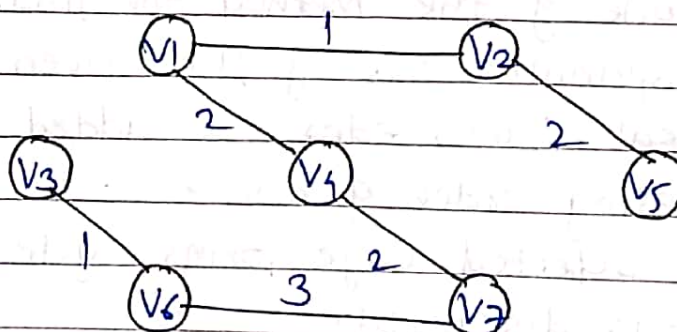
(d)



(e)



(f)



(g)

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\* Kruskal algo. using Turing Machine (TM) :-

→ Kruskal algo is implemented using multitape TM.

- Edges of minimum weight is selected to connect two component.
- Initially, every node is in it's a component by itself.

1) One tape of TM can be used to store every node with its current component.

2) A tape can be used for finding least edge weight among the edges which have not been used in the spanning tree.

3) When an edge is selected, its two vertices are copied on the tape. then we look for the component of the two vertices.

4) If two component (i and j) found in the previous step are not the same component. then they can be merged into single component with help of another tape.

Using above algo, we can find minimum spanning tree in  $n$  round.

Thus, multiple tape TM will require  $O(n)^2$  and given problem is in P-Problem.

## \* NP Complete Problem

→ "A Problem  $P$  is said to be NP complete if the following two conditions are satisfied.

1. The Problem  $L_2$  is in the class NP.

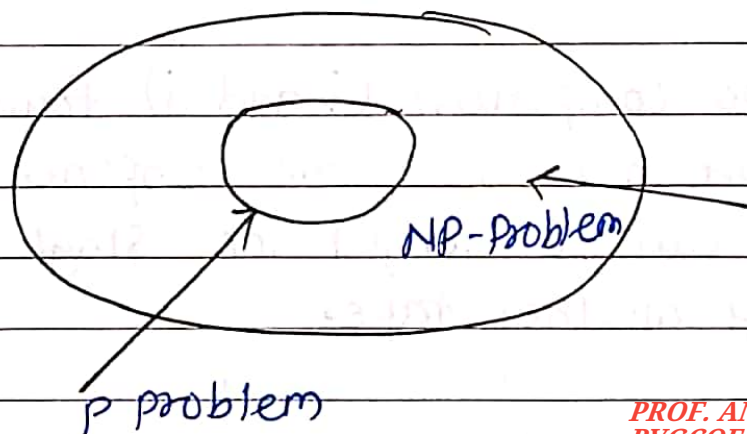
2. For any problem  $L_2$  in NP, there is Polynomial time reduction  $g$   $L_1$  to  $L_2$ .

- A Problem is NP-complete if it is in NP and for which no Polynomial time Deterministic TM solution is known so far.

- NP denotes Non-deterministic Polynomial language Problem.

Hence  $P \subseteq NP$ .

- NP Problem is also called as Intractable Problem.



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- Example of NP Complete Problem :-

- 1) Travelling salesman Problem (TSP)
- 2) Vertex Cover Problem (VCP)
- 3) Hamiltonian Circuit Problem (HCP)
- 4) Satisfiability Problem (in short SAT)
- 5) Exact Cover Problem.

## Example of NP-Complete

### 1) Satisfiability Problem (SAT)

→ "The satisfiability problem is:  
"Given a Boolean expression, is it satisfiable?"

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"A Boolean expression is said to be satisfiable if at least one truth assignment makes the boolean expression true."

The Boolean expressions are created using.

- 1) The variable whose value can be 0 or 1.
- 2) The operator that can be used in expression can be  $\vee$ ,  $\wedge$ . The  $\vee$  means OR and  $\wedge$  means AND operator.
- 3) Unary operator  $\neg$  stands for negation.
- 4) The parenthesis are used to group the operand & operators in the expression

The highest precedence is to  $\neg$ , then  $\wedge$  then  $\vee$ .

For example:

The boolean expression is  $(x \wedge y) \vee (y \wedge z)$ .

If  $(y \wedge z)$  and  $x \wedge y$  both are true then boolean expression is true. If  $(x \wedge y)$  and  $(y \wedge z)$  both are false then boolean expression is false.

The boolean expression  $((x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee x_3)$  is true.

for  $x_1 = 1$ ,  $x_2 = 0$  and  $x_3 = 0$

Therefore  $((x_1 \wedge x_2) \vee x_3)$  is satisfiable.

-  $(x \wedge y \wedge z)$  is satisfiable when  $x = 1$ ,  $y = 1$  &  $z = 1$

But

$x \wedge (\neg y)$  is not satisfiable.

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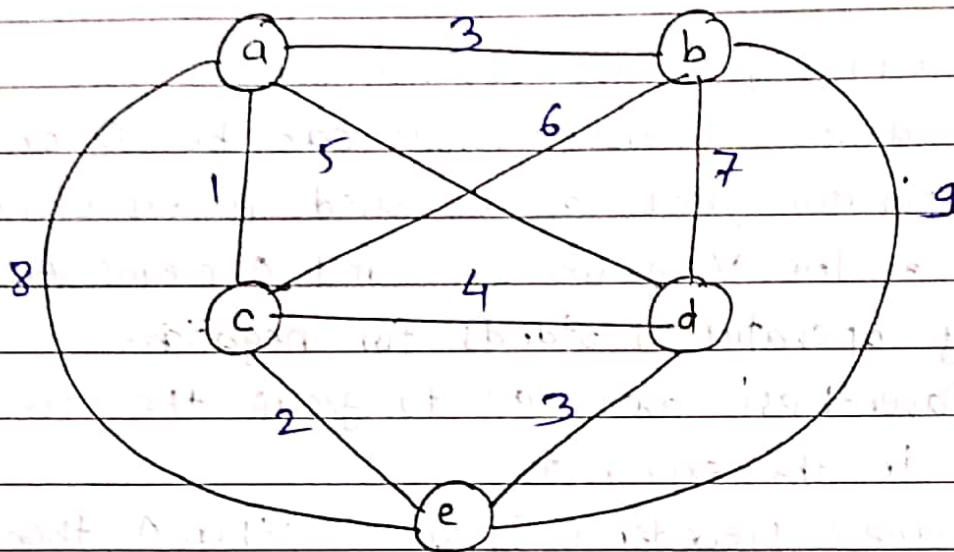
## 2) Travelling Salesman Problem (TSP) :-

→ This problem can be stated as

“ Given set of cities and cost to travel bet<sup>s</sup> each pair of cities, determine whether there is path that visit every city once and return to the first city, such that cost travelled is less.”

for example,

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- The tour will be a-b-d-e-c-a and total cost of tour will be 16.
- This problem is NP Problem as there may exist some path with least (shortest) distance between the cities.
- If you get the solution by applying certain algorithms then travelling salesman problem is NP-Complete problem.
- If we get no solution at all by applying an algorithm then the travelling salesman problem belongs to NP-Hard class problem.



## \* Node-Cover Problem

- "A node cover problem is to find node cover of minimum size in a given graph."
- The word node cover means each node covers its incident edges.
  - Thus by node cover, we expect to choose the set of vertices which cover all the edges in a graph.
  - A node cover undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$  is a subset  $V'$  of the vertices of graph which contain at least one of the two endpoints of each edge.
  - The node cover problem is the optimization problem of finding a node cover of minimum size in a graph.
  - This problem can be stated as Decision Problem.

NODE-COVER = {  $\langle G, k \rangle$  graph  $G$  has vertex cover of size  $k$  }.

- To show that, node cover problem  $\in NP$ , for a given graph  $G = (V, E)$ , we take  $V_1 \subseteq V$  and verified to see if it form node cover. verification can be done by ~~using~~ checking for each edge  $(u, v) \in E$ , whether  $u \in V_1$  or  $v \in V_1$ .

This verification can be done in Polynomial time.

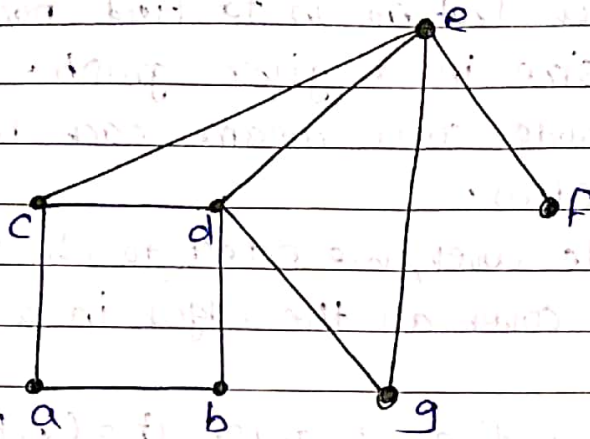
### Example :

Consider a graph  $G$  as given, below.

Now we will select some arbitrary edge and delete all the incident edges.

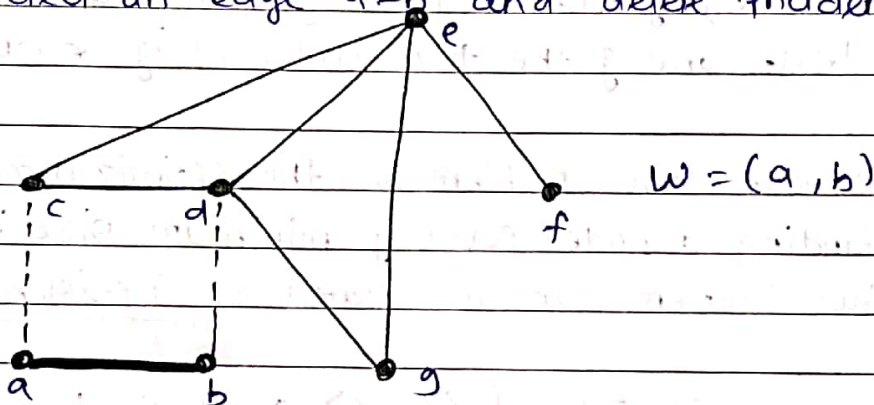
repeat this process until all the identical edges get deleted.

\* Example Node-Cover Problem  $\rightarrow$

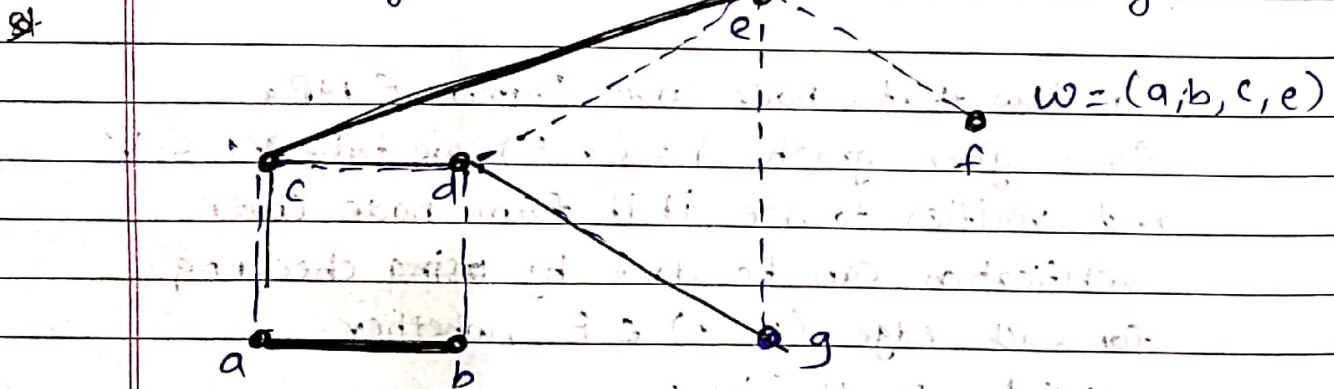


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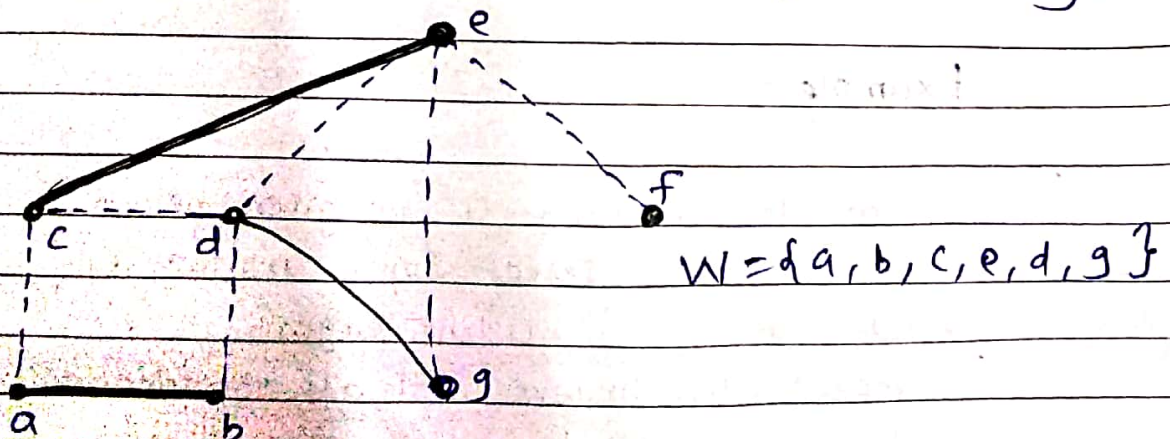
Step 1  $\rightarrow$  select an edge  $a-b$  and delete incident edges



Step 2  $\rightarrow$  select edge  $c-e$  and delete all incident edges



Step 3  $\frac{6}{2}$  select an edge  $d-g$ . All incident edges are already deleted



Thus, we obtain node cover as  $\{a, b, c, d, e, g\}$ .

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