## NP-Complete CSCI 338

## $N P$-Complete

How to show something $(B)$ is in $N P$-Complete?

1. Show it is in NP.
2. Pick some known $N P$-Complete problem $A$.
3. Show that a solver for $B$ can solve $A$ in polynomial extra time.

Problem A Solver


To show A reduces to B:

- Show every instance of $A$ can be translated to some instance of $B$.
- The solution to $B$ can be translated back to a solution to A .
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& \begin{array}{c}
(F \vee \stackrel{\downarrow}{F} \vee T) \\
x_{1}=F \\
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We need to turn instances of SAT into instances of 3SAT. If a clause has one literal? $\quad\left(x_{1}\right) \rightarrow\left(x_{1} \vee x_{1} \vee x_{1}\right)$ If a clause has two literals? $\left(x_{1} \vee x_{2}\right) \rightarrow\left(x_{1} \vee x_{1} \vee x_{2}\right)$ If a clause had three literals? No change.
If a clause has more than three literals?


| $S A T$ <br> Input |
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