## MMSNP and MMSNP2

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## Introduction

#### Definition

A set of problems has a dichotomy if any of its problems is either P-time or NP-complete.

### Theorem (Ladner, 1975)

If  $P \neq NP$ , then NP has no dichotomy.

$$CSP =_p MMSNP$$

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### Theorem (Fagin, 1974)

NP equals ESO.

Theorem (Feder, Vardi, 1998)

MMSNP has a dichotomy iff CSP has.

Theorem (Bulatov, Zhuk, 2017)

CSP has a dichotomy.

$$NP = ESO \qquad \text{no dichotomy}$$
$$MMSNP_2 \qquad \qquad \text{unknown}$$
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### Naive approach

- Replace every relational triple of S with a triangle.
- Check if the resulting graph G satisfies the MMSNP sentence.

### Obstacle

What to do when S contains implicit triangles?



### Lemma (Erdős)

For given structures S, T, and l > 0 there exists S' such that

- $\ \ \, {S \to T} \ \, \text{iff} \ \, S' \to T;$
- S' does not contain cycles of length less than l, i.e., the girth of S' is at least l.



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- By construction,  $S' \to S$ .
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- Tuples are distributed uniformly, so every triple of "bags" has at least one tuple induced on them.



# MMSNP2

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- Replace every triangle of the input graph G with a relational 6-tuple.
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### How can we help ourselves?

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- Within S', we are allowed to join two tuples by an implicit edge, and it will not reduce the girth down to 2.



We can apply the same Erdős' method as for MMSNP. But then we need to identify vertices within S' in order to replace it later with a graph. This procedure reduces the girth of S'.



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# Thank You!