

PROPOSITIONAL LOGIC

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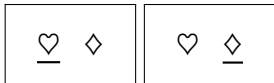
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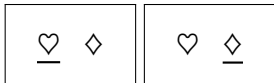
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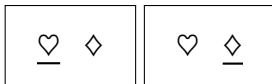
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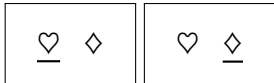
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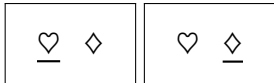
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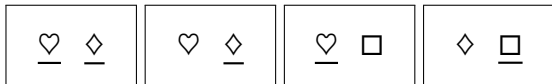
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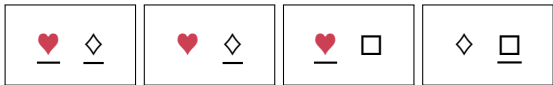
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- If each box contains at least one symbol in the winning color, you won.



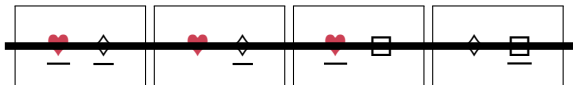
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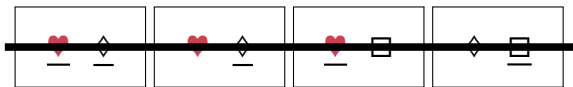


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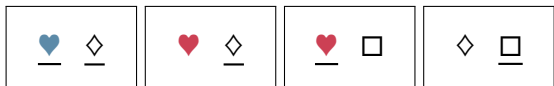


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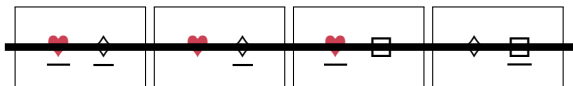
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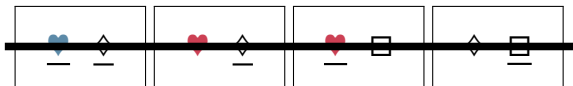
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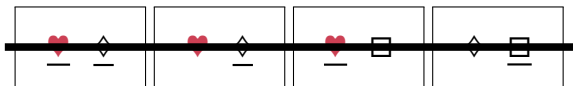


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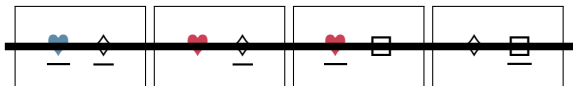


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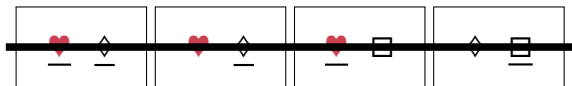
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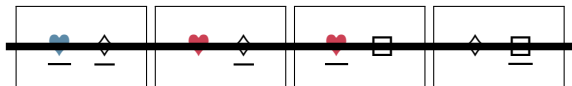
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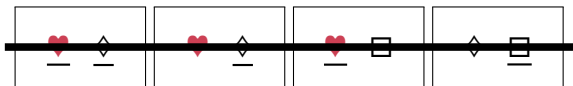


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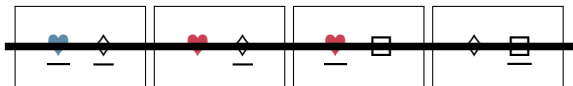


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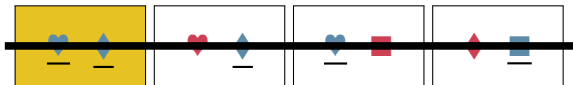
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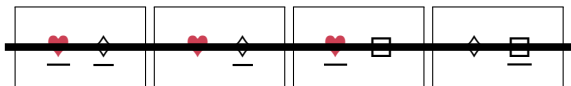
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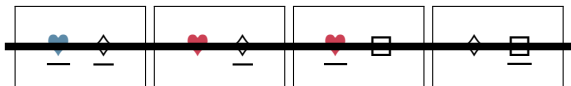
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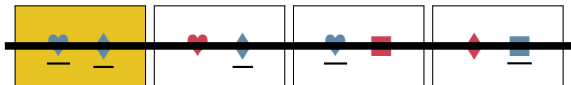
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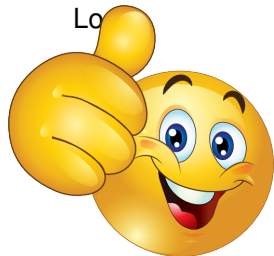
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Some Terminology

- From now on, we call a box a **clause**.
- We call a clause with at least one red symbol **satisfied**.
- We call a clause with all symbols in blue **falsified**.
- We call a clause with blue and uncolored symbols **undecided**.

⇒ The game is won if all clauses are satisfied.

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fundamental question in computer science:

The P = NP Question

Is searching for a solution harder than verifying a solution?

(unfortunately, the answer is not known)

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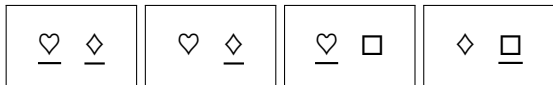
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Cook-Levin Theorem [71]: SAT is NP-complete

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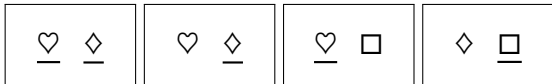
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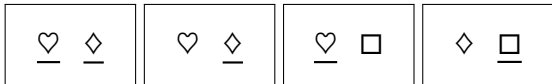


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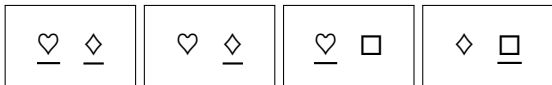
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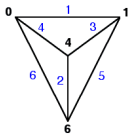
Note:

- assignment of variables gives values of all literals
- if we can solve SAT, we can solve BOX (and vice versa)

Practical Applications of SAT Solving



formal verification



graph theory



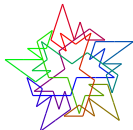
bioinformatics



train safety



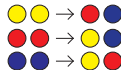
planning



combinatorics



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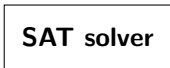


rewrite termination

encode



SAT solver



decode

from <http://www.cs.utexas.edu/users/marijn/talks/Ptn-Linz.pdf>

Logics in this Lecture

In this lecture, we consider different logic-based languages:

- propositional logic (SAT)
 - simple language: only atoms and connectives
 - low expressiveness, low complexity
 - very successful in industry (e.g., verification)
- first-order logic (predicate logic)
 - rich language: predicates, functions, terms, quantifiers
 - great power of expressiveness, high complexity
 - many applications in mathematics and verification
- satisfiability modulo theories (SMT)
 - customizable language: user decides
 - as much expressiveness as required
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 - very popular and successful in industry

Logic-Based Languages (Logics)

- A logic consists of
 - a set of symbols (like $\vee, \wedge, \neg, \top, \perp, \forall, \exists \dots$)
 - a set of variables (like x, y, z, \dots)
 - concise syntax: well-formedness of expressions
 - concise semantics: meaning of expressions
- Logics support reasoning for
 - derivation of “new” knowledge
 - proving the truth/falsity of a statement (satisfiability checking)
- Different logics differ in their
 - truth values: binary (true, false), multi-valued (true, false, unknown), fuzzy (between 0 and 1, e.g., $[0, 1]$ as subset of the real numbers)
 - expressiveness (what can be formulated in the logic?)
 - complexity (how expensive is reasoning?)