



P (stands for "Polynomial")

The set of all decision problems that have an algorithm that runs in time  $O(n^k)$  for some constant k.

NP (stands for "nondeterministic polynomial")

The set of all decision problems such that if the answer is YES, there is a proof of that which can be verified in polynomial time.

## NP-complete

Problem B is NP-complete if B is in NP and for all problems A in NP, A reduces to B in polynomial time.

## NP-hard

Problem B is NP-hard if for all problems A in NP, A reduces to B in polynomial time.

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## Scenario #1

You've made a new social networking app, Convrs. Users on Convrs can have "asymmetric" following (I can follow you, without you following me). You decide to allow people to form multi-	What are the vertices?
user direct messages, but only if people are probably in similar social circles (to avoid spamming).	What are the edges?
You'll allow a messaging channel to form only if for every pair of users a,b in the channel: a must follow b or follow someone who follows b or follow someone who follows someone who follows b, or And the same for b to a.	What are we looking for?
You'd like to be able to quickly check for any new proposed channel whether it meets this condition.	What do we run?