

# Lecture 4 on NP

# Today

Will prove more problems are NP-complete:

3D Matching

Generalized 3DM

Exact Cover

Subset Sum

Interval Sched with Deadlines

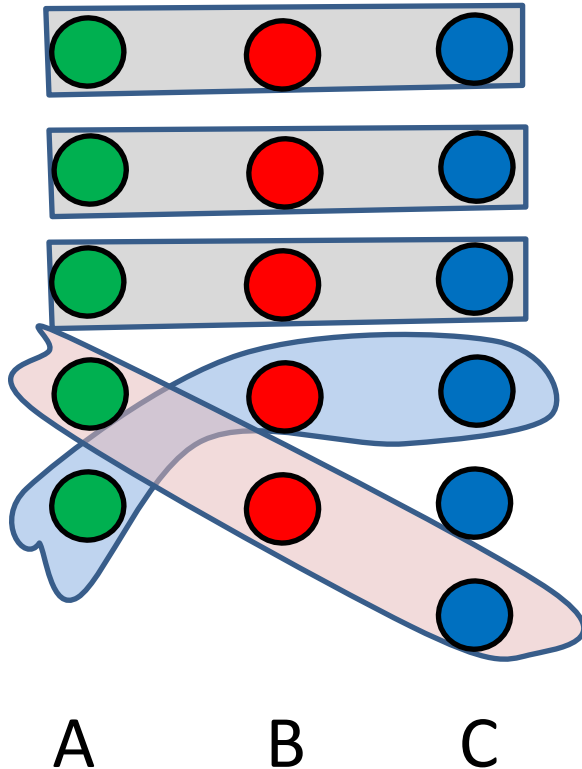
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# Generalized 3DM

Given three sets,  $A, B, C$ ,  $|A| = |B| = k$

and triples  $T_1, \dots, T_n$ , each with one element of  $A, B$ , and  $C$

Do there exist  $k$  pairwise disjoint triples?



Equivalent: disjoint triples  
that cover all of  $A$  and  $B$ .

# Gen-3DM is NP-Complete

Clearly in NP, because can check a proposed matching.

To prove NP-hard, will show  $3\text{-SAT} \leq_p \text{Gen-3DM}$ .

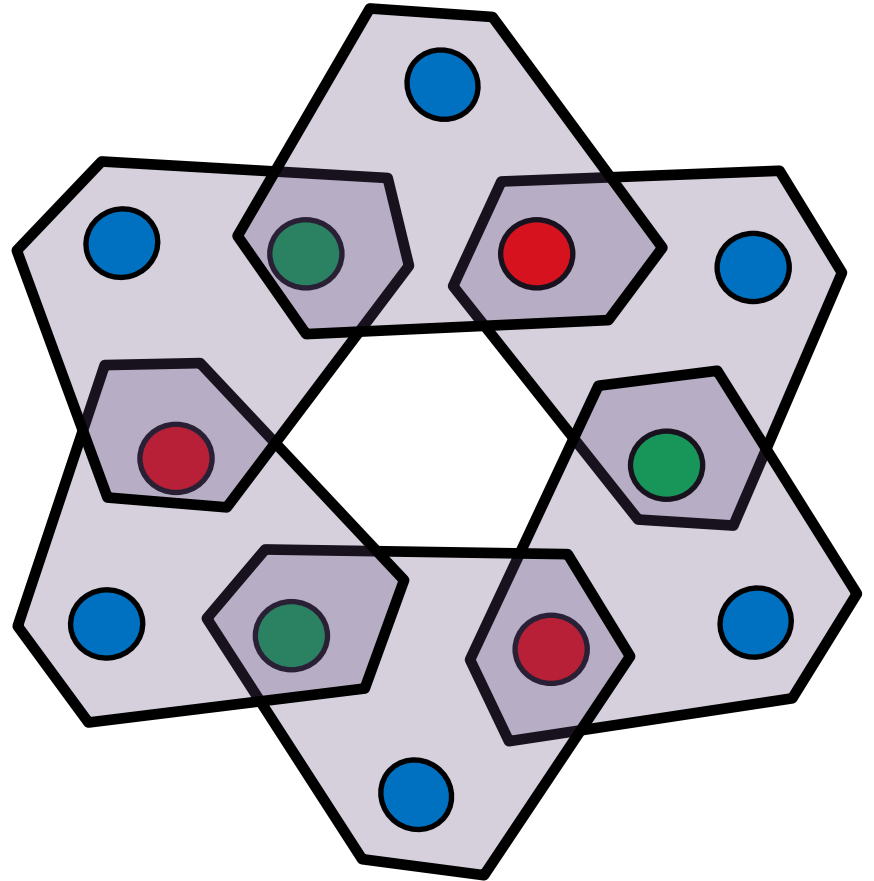
Given an collection of clauses  $C_1, \dots, C_k$ , each with at most 3 terms, on variables  $x_1, \dots, x_n$

produce sets  $A, B, C$ , and triples  $S_1, \dots, S_m$

that have matching iff the clauses are all satisfiable

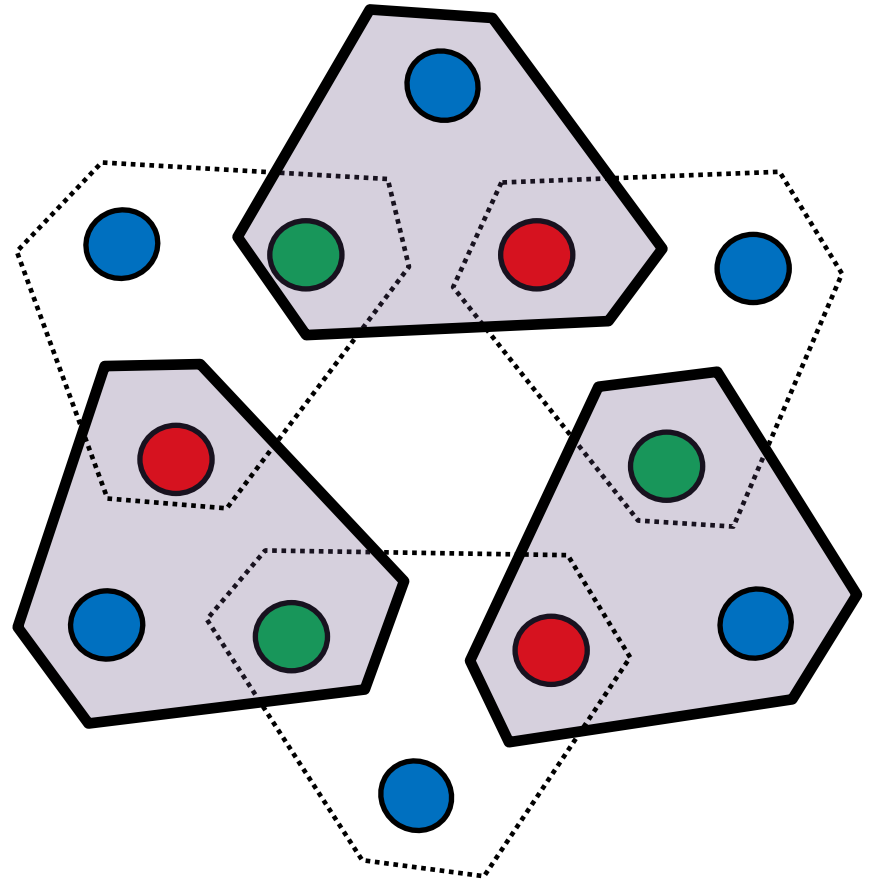
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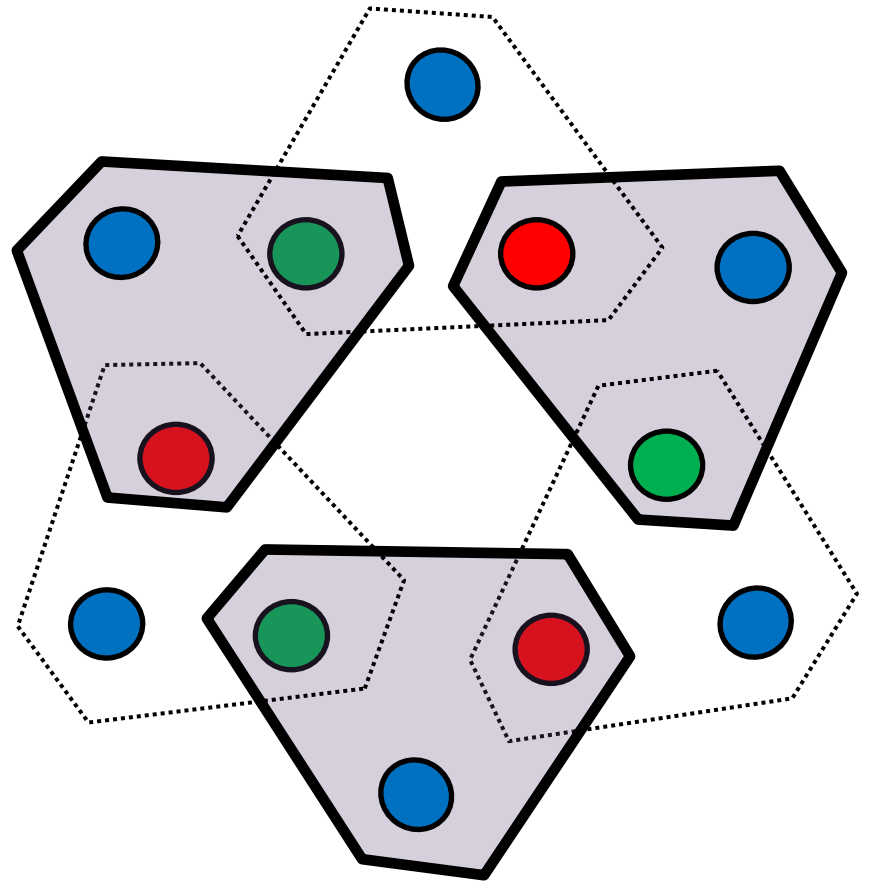
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For variable  $x_i$  in  $d$  clauses,  
create gadget with  
 $2d$  inner elements:

$a_{i,1}, a_{i,2}, \dots, a_{i,d}$

$b_{i,1}, b_{i,2}, \dots, b_{i,d}$

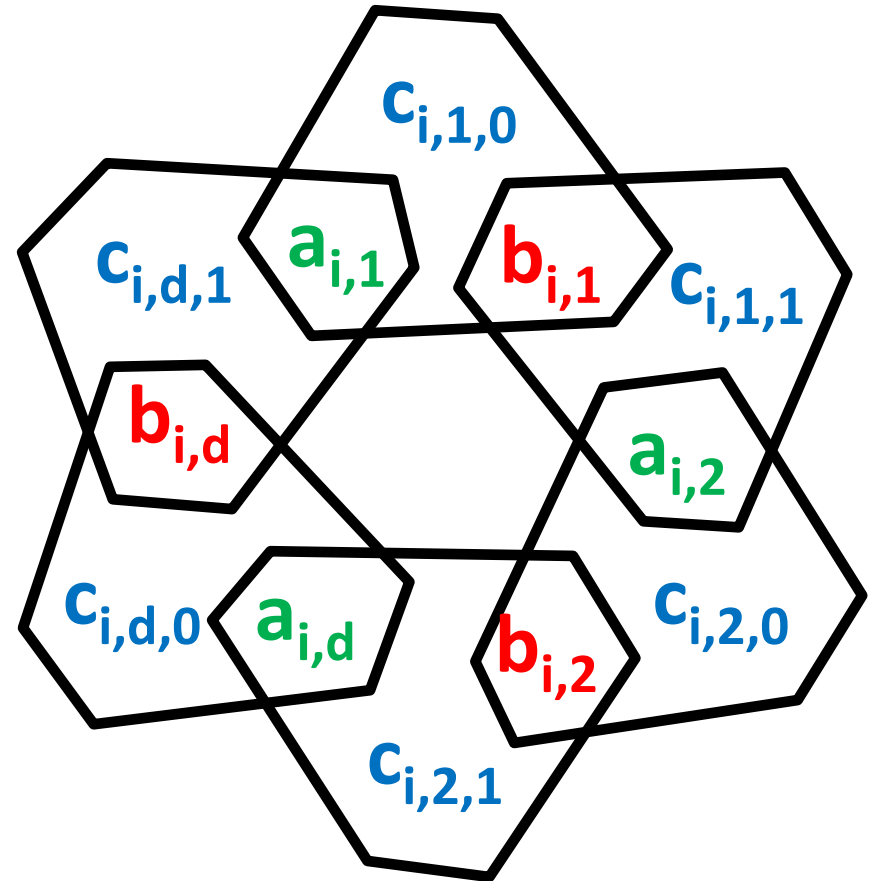
and  $2d$  outer elements

$c_{i,1,0}, c_{i,2,0}, \dots, c_{i,d,0},$

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and triples as shown:

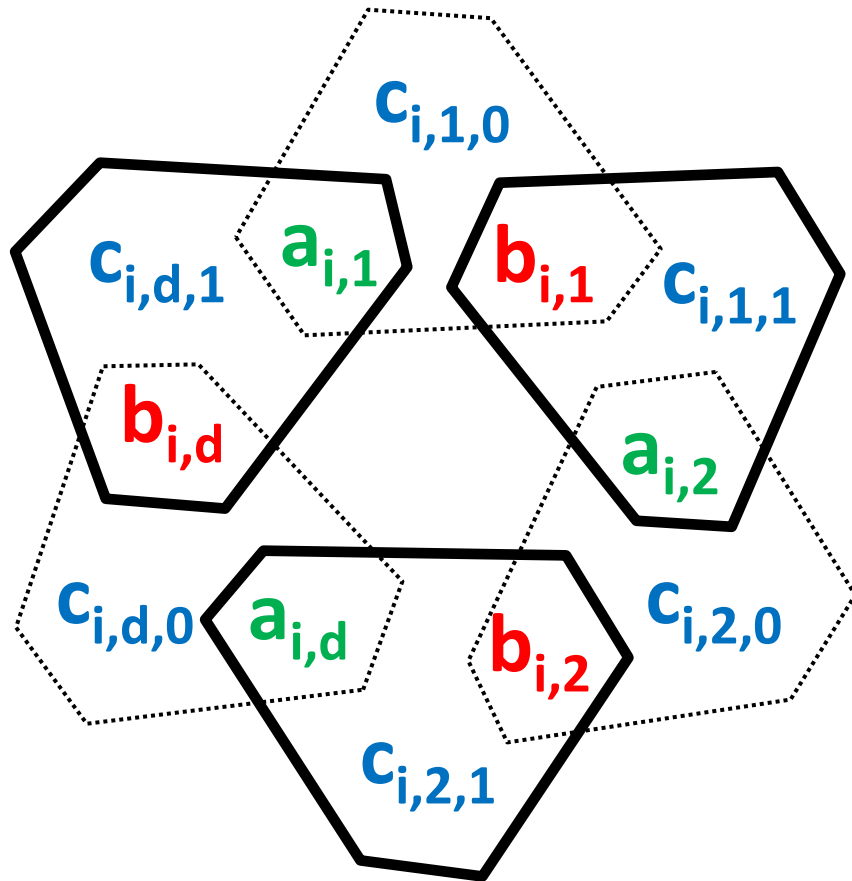
$(a_{i,k}, b_{i,k}, c_{i,k,0}), (a_{i,k+1}, b_{i,k}, c_{i,k,1})$





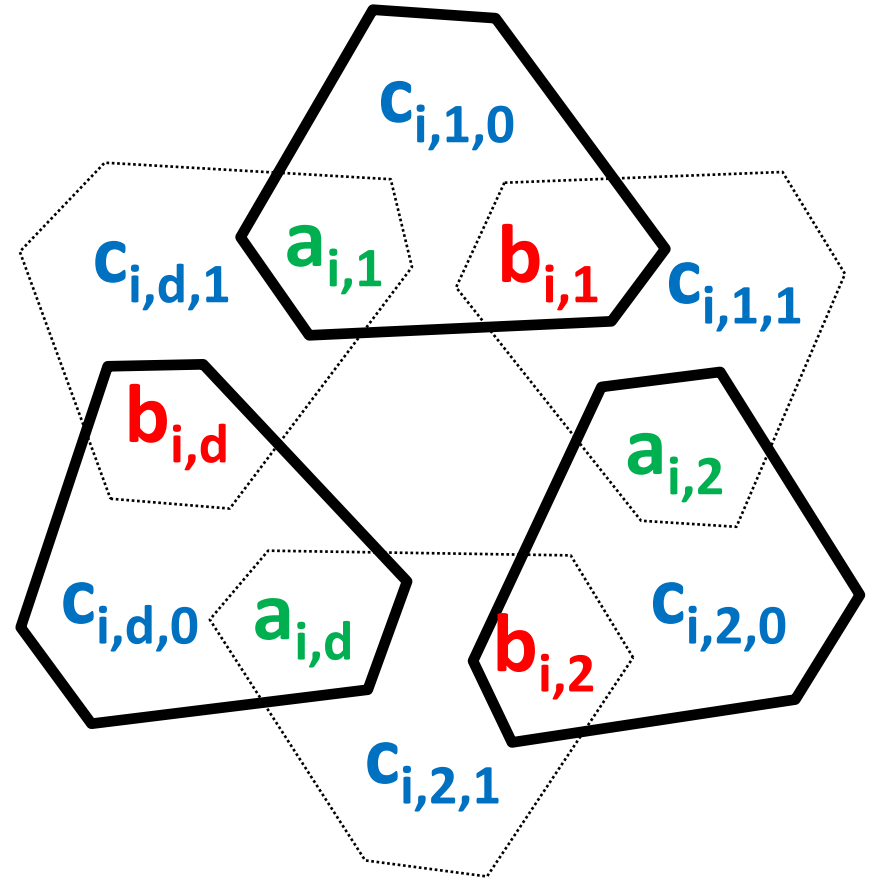
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Interpret covering inner elements by odd sets as false.



Expose  $c_{i,*},0$

Interpret covering inner elements by even sets as true



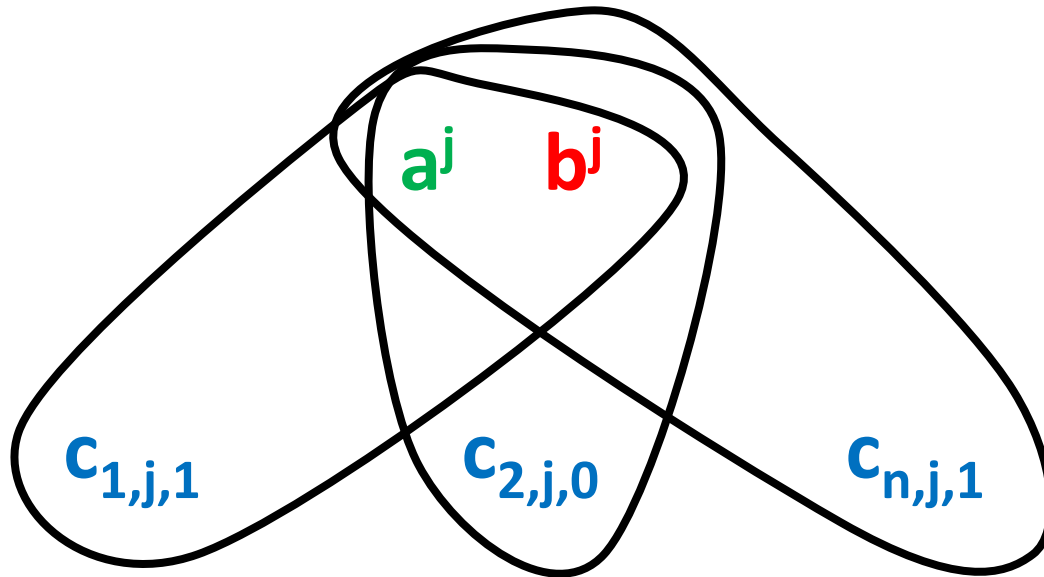
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# 3DM NP-Complete – clause gadget

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Create two elements for the clause:

$a^j$  and  $b^j$

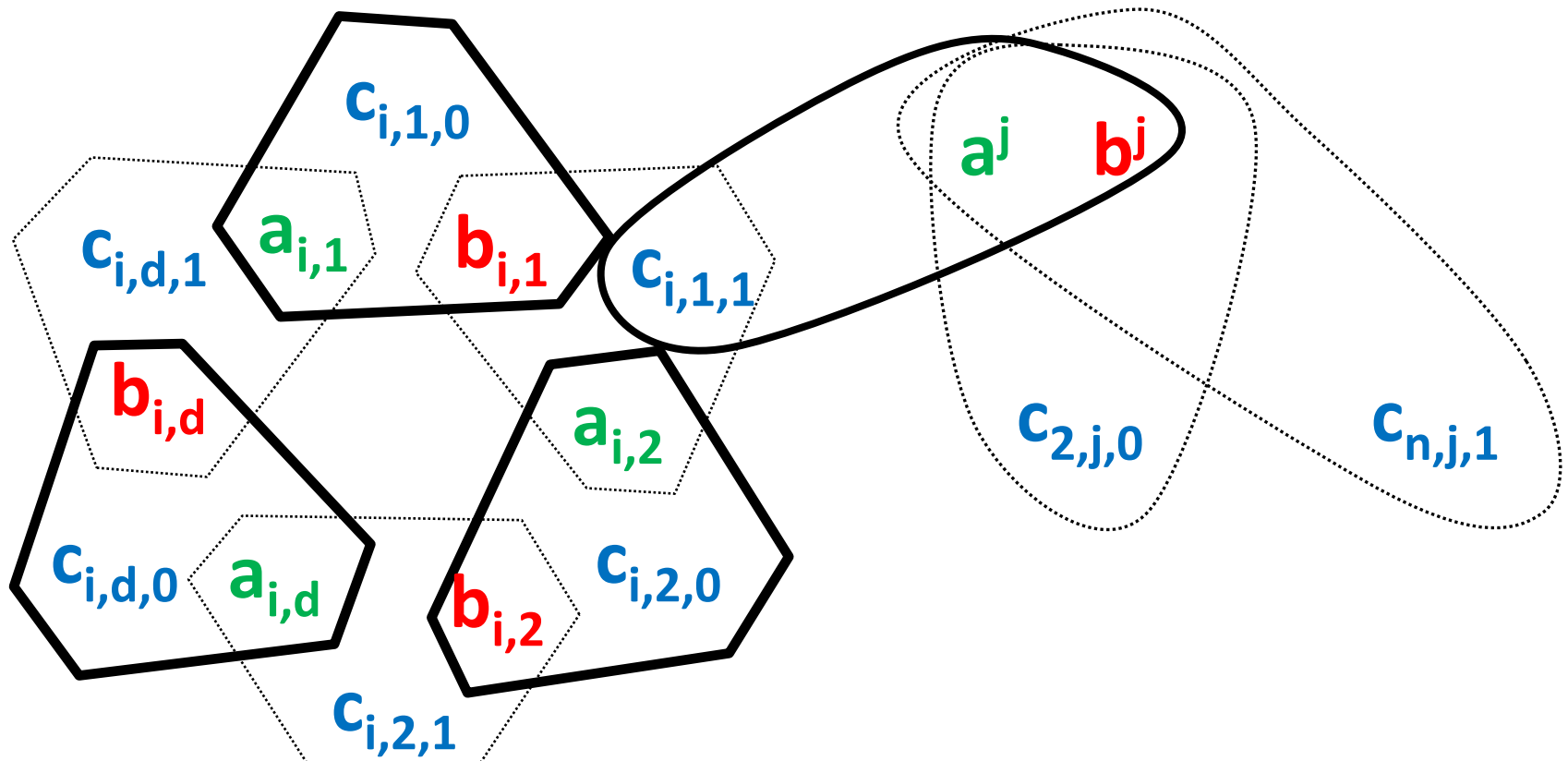


and create triples with these and terms that satisfy clause :  $(a^j, b^j, c_{1,j,1})$ ,  $(a^j, b^j, c_{2,j,0})$ ,  $(a^j, b^j, c_{n,j,1})$ ,

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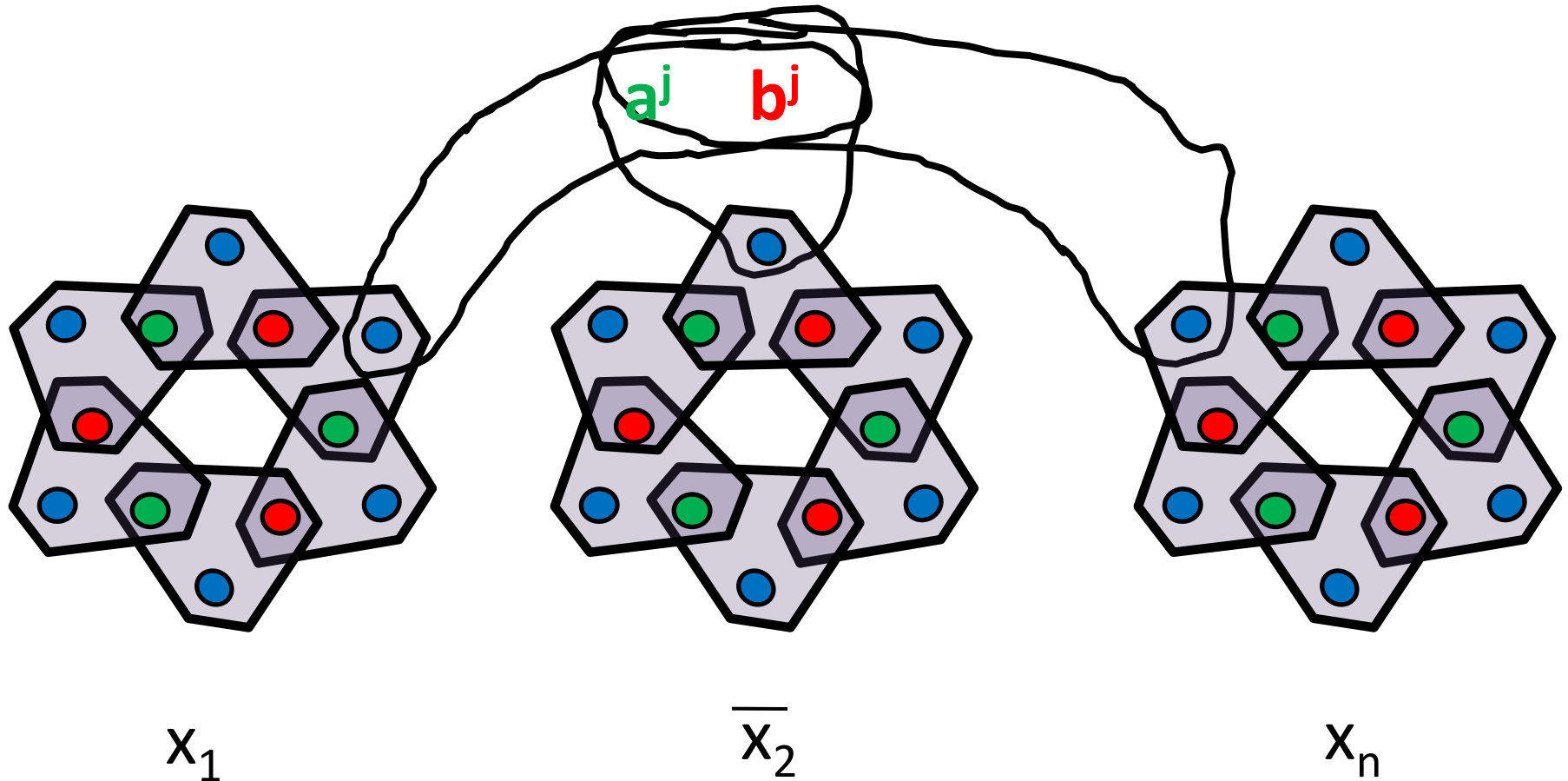
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If these are only triples with the clause elements, must cover by a variable's external element that satisfies clause, and variable gadgets enforce consistency



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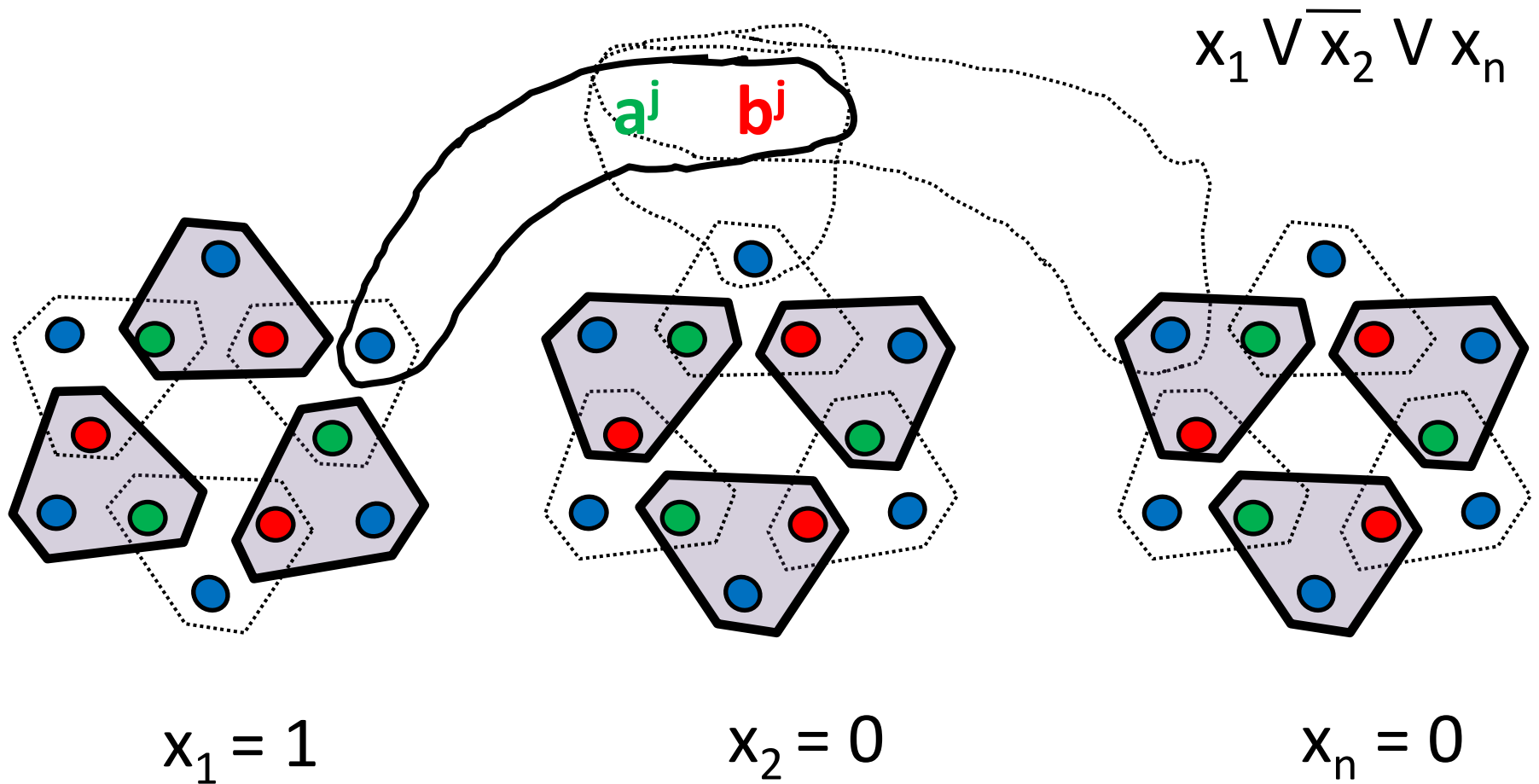
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Each clause gets own external element for each variable

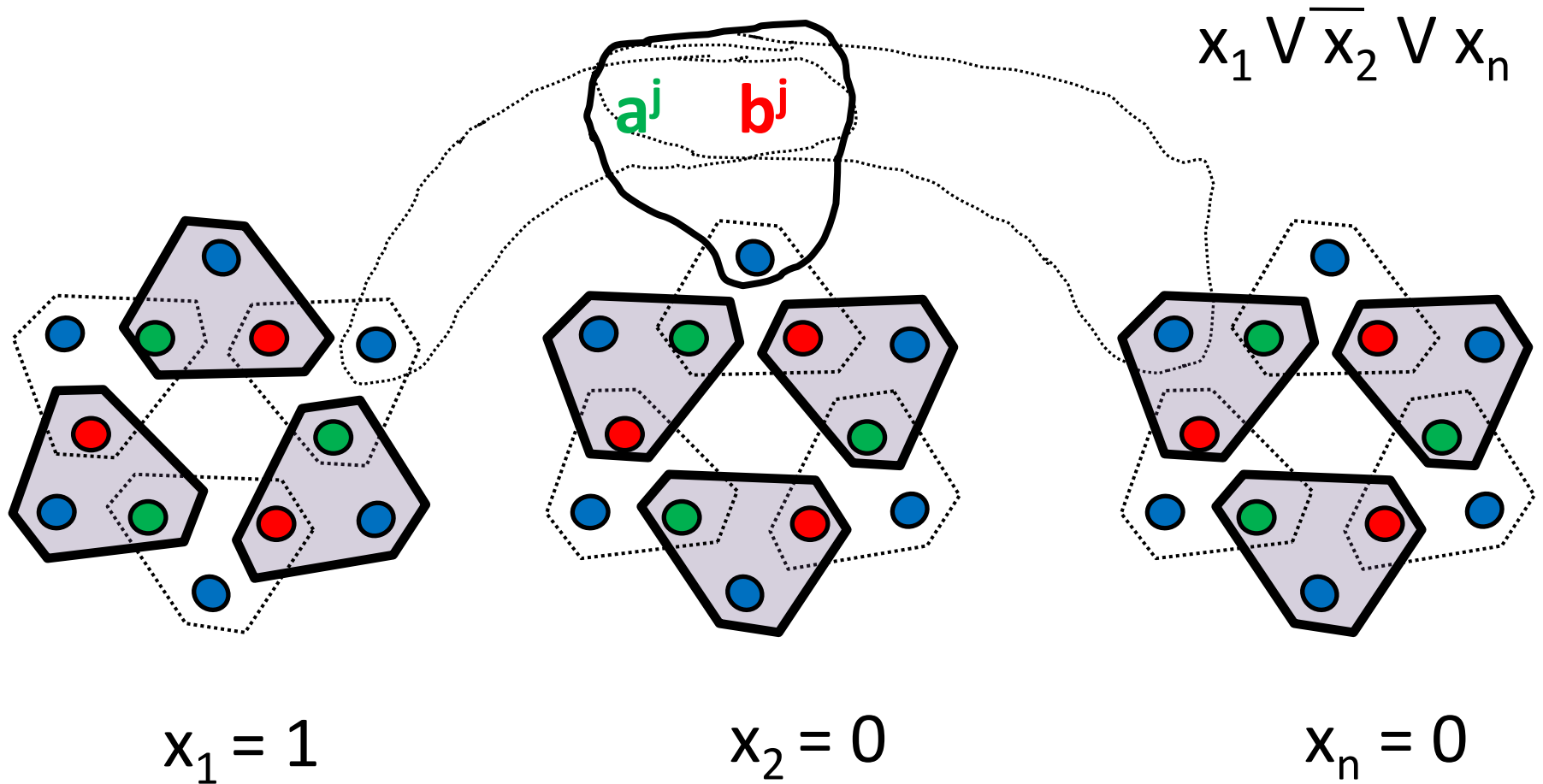
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Cover all internals (A,B) once

-> truth assignment (var gadgets)

Cover all clause internal elements -> satisfies clause

