

MAX-3-SAT

Find an assignment to variables x_1, \dots, x_n , that satisfy the max # of clauses.

Find an Alg. with $\frac{7}{8}$ -approx. ratio for Max-3-SAT

— Randomly assign (True, false) to each variable x_i

Proof: Let y_i be 1 if clause C_i is satisfied

$$E[\text{clauses Satisfied}] = E[\sum y_i] = \sum E[y_i]$$

$$x_i = \begin{cases} T & \text{Prob. } 0.5 \\ F & \text{Prob. } 0.5 \end{cases}$$

$$C_i = (\square^{x_i} \vee \square^{\bar{x}_j} \vee \square^{x_k}) \Rightarrow P(C_i \text{ is NOT satisfied}) = \frac{1}{8}$$

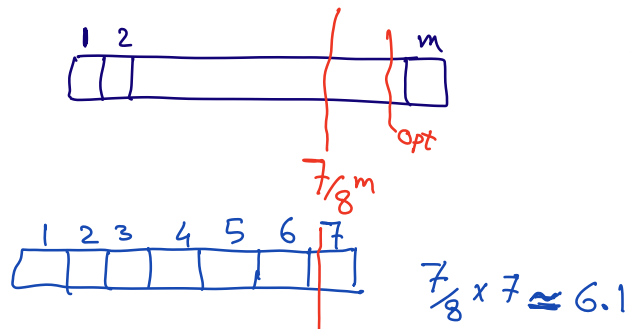
$$\Rightarrow P(y_i) = 1 - \frac{1}{8} = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$E[\text{clauses Satisfied}] = \sum_{i=1}^m E[y_i] = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{7}{8} = \frac{7}{8}m$$

$$\text{OPT} \leq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{OPT}}{A} \leq \frac{m}{\frac{7}{8}m} = \frac{8}{7}$$

\Rightarrow Given an instance of 3-SAT with 7 clauses, there always exists an assignment to x_1, \dots, x_n s.t. all clauses are Satisfied



There should always exist a number
Larger (or equal) to the Average

\Rightarrow There should exist an assignment that satisfies 7 clauses
otherwise the average could have not been 6.1