

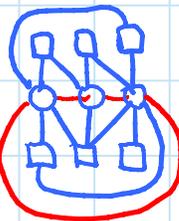
Linked planar 3SAT (a.k.a. "Mario SAT") [Pilz 2018]  
 a stronger form of planar 3SAT motivated by...

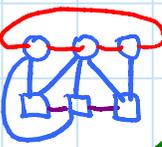
Super Mario Bros. is NP-hard [Aloupis, Demaine, Guo 2012]  
 [Aloupis, Demaine, Guo, Viglietta - FUN 2014]

- reduction from 3SAT
- variable gadget via long falls
- clause via
  - koopa shells breaking blocks [SMB3]
  - koopa shells revealing POW block [SMW]
  - invincibility stars through fire bars [SMB]
- crossover is complicated
  - mushroom can go left
  - big Mario can run/crouch/jump under height 1
  - small/big Mario management
  - leakage from horizontal to vertical if both traversed: worry can revisit & set past vars.
    - fix: ensure horizontal happens before vertical

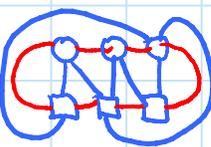
Can we avoid Mario-specific crossovers via some form of planar 3SAT?

## Recall: [L5]

- 3SAT remains NP-hard when  
 Variable-clause bipartite graph + cycle through all variables is planar, even with pos./neg. edges on opposite sides of the variable cycle  $\Rightarrow$  monotone

- 3SAT is polynomial when  Variable-clause bipartite graph + cycle through all variables + path through all clauses is planar  
 $\leftarrow$  e.g. x axis  
 $\rightarrow$  forced on one side of var. cycle  
 $\checkmark$  what if path? hard!

## Linked Planar 3SAT: [Pilz 2018] "Mario SAT"

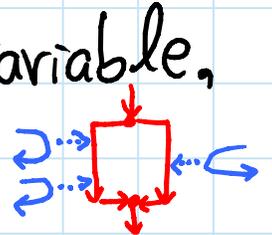
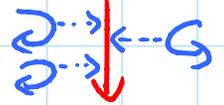
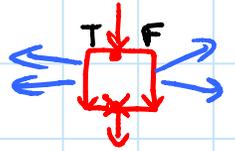
3SAT-3 remains NP-hard when  
 Variable-clause bipartite graph + cycle that visits all variables & then visits all clauses is planar

- also for monotone 3SAT-3
- also sided: pos./neg. edges on opposite sides of the cycle  $\nRightarrow$  monotone
- also assuming each clause has  $\leq 2$  on each side  $\otimes$
- also for E3SAT
- also for positive 1-in-3SAT
- Careful: planar  $\Rightarrow$  E4SAT & monotone E3SAT & sided linked monotone 3SAT are  $\in P!$

# Back to Mario:

[6.892: Demaine, Diomidov, Lynch 2019]

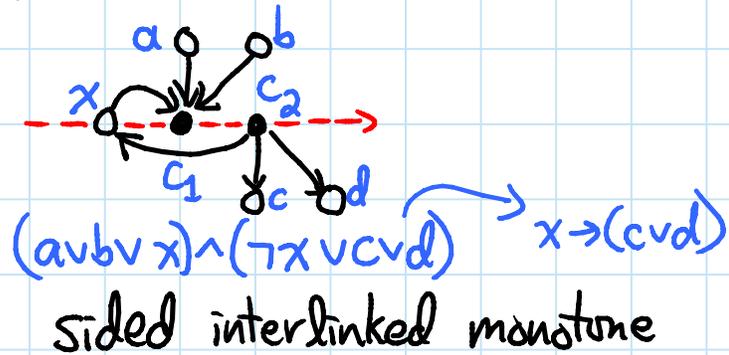
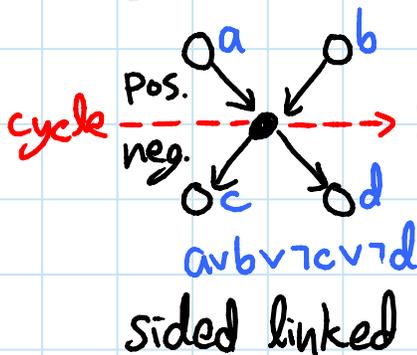
- reduce from Sided Linked Planar 3SAT
- sided  $\Rightarrow$  positive & negative uses of each variable are consecutive
- need clause that can unlock from both sides of the clause line  $\ddot{\smile}$
- simpler: re-use split/merge from variable, and use 2 unlockable paths - one for connections on each side

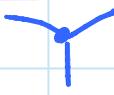
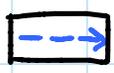
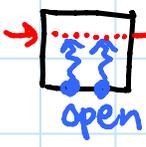


## Sided interlinked planar monotone 3SAT: formula view

monotone 3SAT-3 remains NP-hard when variable-clause bipartite graph + cycle that visits all variables & all clauses, with each clause after its 3 variables is planar, even when sided:  
pos./neg. edges on opposite sides of cycle

with specified start location & direction

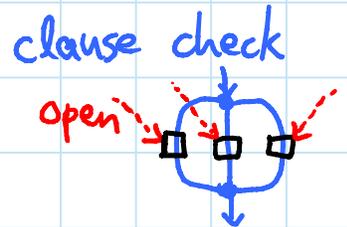


- Opening doors: planar motion planning <sup>→ see L11</sup> is NP-hard given
- branching hallways 
  - one-way mechanism: one of
    - diode  (e.g. game has gravity + "long" falls) <sup>jumps</sup>
    - crumbler: closes after traversal
      - directed  or undirected 
    - no-return: allow  $\leftarrow$  before  $\rightarrow$  (not argued here) but prevent  $\leftarrow$  (immediately) after  $\rightarrow$
  - opening door with 2 buttons
    - directed or undirected
-  → traverse (possible only after  $\geq 1$  open)
- (NO CROSSOVER NEEDED)**



OR: opening door with 1 button + no-return + CROSSOVER

OPEN: needed?



[Lynch - Ph.D. 2020]

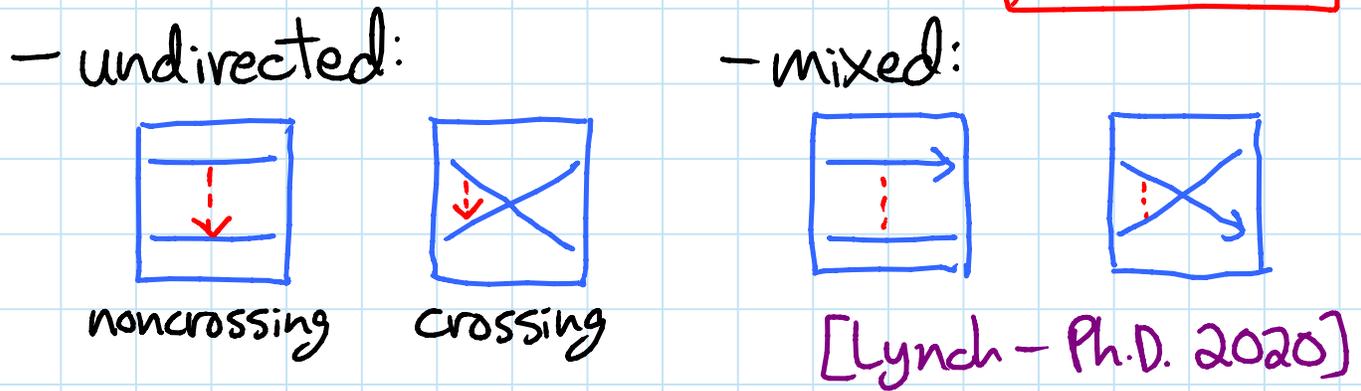
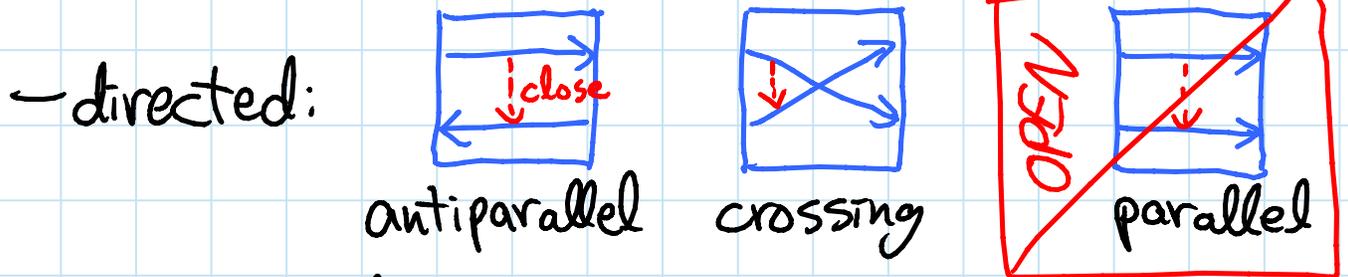
$\approx$  Metathm. 3 of [Forišek - FUN 2010]

### Applications:

- Super Mario Bros.
  - door self-closes so also serves as no-return ("directed crumbler" = one way, one use)
- Legend of Zelda hookshots + push-once blocks
- Metroid
- Pokémon (using variable gadget, not no-return)

# Closing doors: planar motion planning is NP-hard with

- branching hallways
- distant closing: 2 paths, at least one of which fully closes the other (and possibly itself) with one of the following geometries:



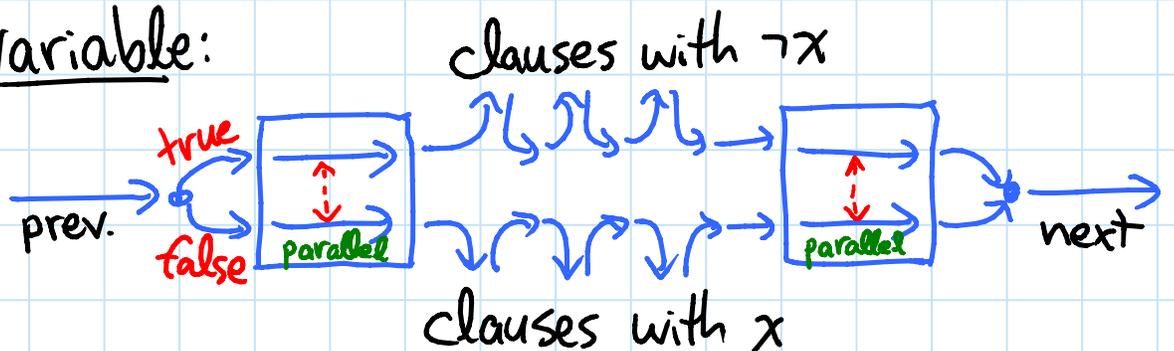
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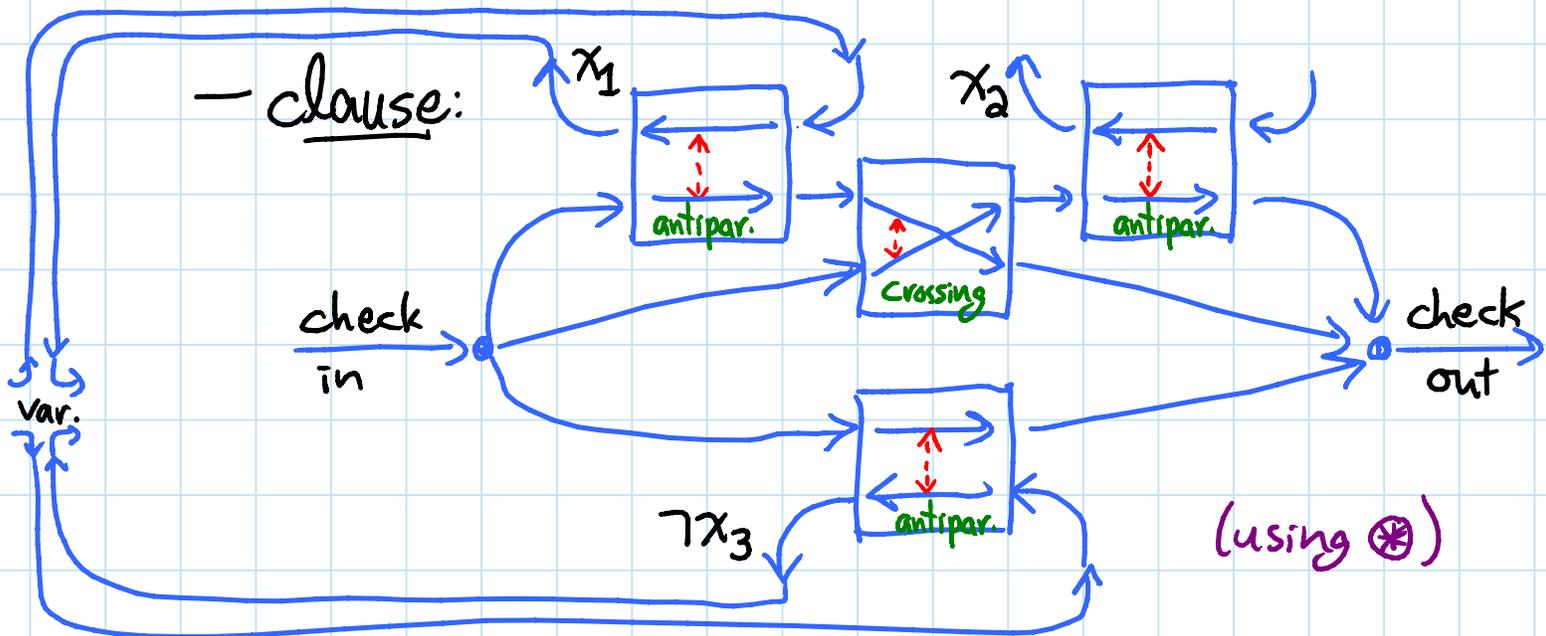
## Reduction from Sided Linked Planar 3SAT:

- assume parallel and crossing and antiparallel directed or undirected or mixed NANDs or matched crumblers

each path closes the other ↙      ↘ each path closes both

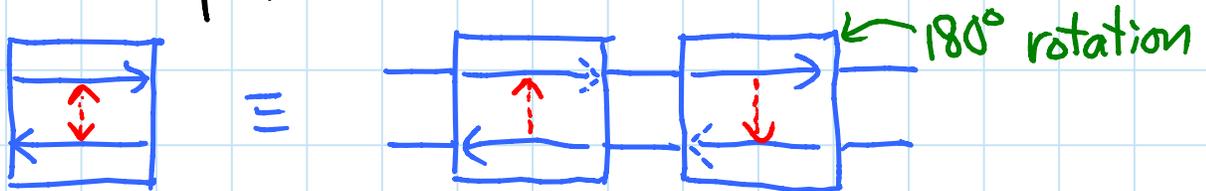
### - Variable:





Distant closing  $\rightarrow$  NAND or matched crumblers

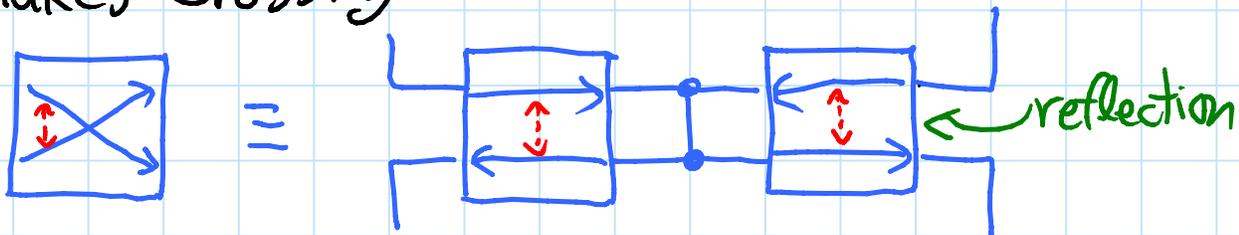
- antiparallel/undir./mixed distant closing  $\times 2$  make antipar./undir. NAND or matched crumblers:



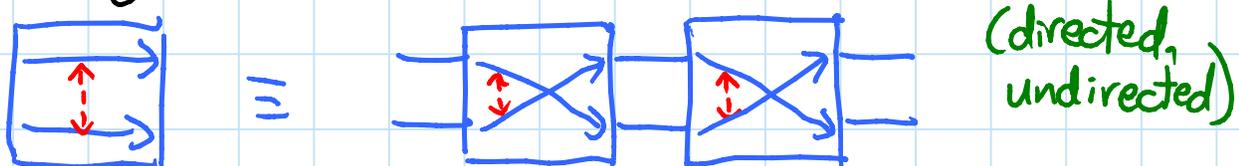
- similarly, 2/3 crossing distant closings make parallel/crossing NAND or matched crumblers

Crossing vs. not

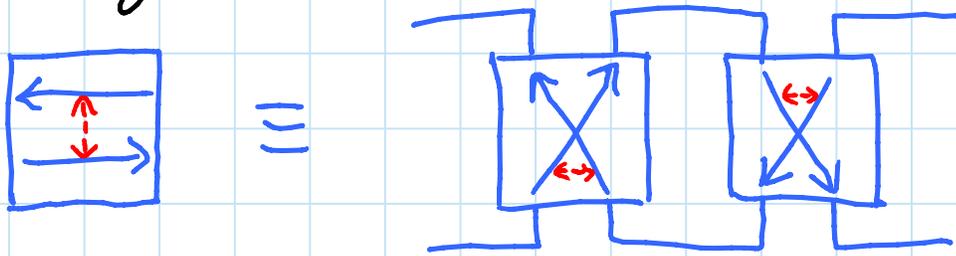
- antiparallel NAND/matched crumblers makes crossing:



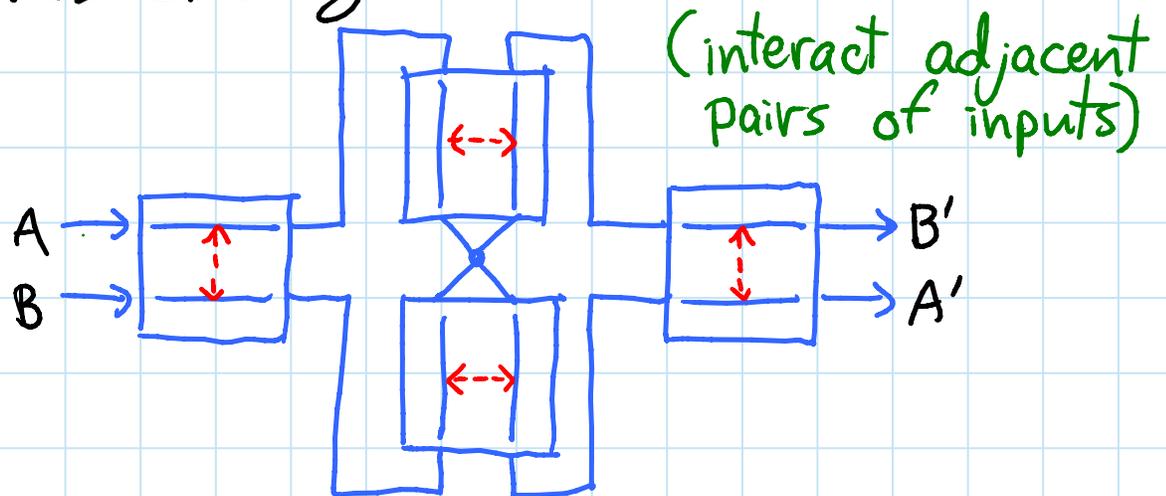
- crossing NAND/matched crumblers makes parallel:



- crossing NAND/mat. crumb. makes antiparallel:



- undirected noncrossing NAND/matched crumblers makes crossing:



(part of a general theory of "motion planning with gadgets" - see L11)

### Applications:

- (Push)Push-1(X) via antiparallel NAND
- Legend of Zelda push-once blocks
- Push-1G (gravity) via crossing NAND
- Pull?-1FG (from 6.892 Spring 2019!)

optional  
pulls