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Feder and Vardi (1993) discovered a strong correspondence between finite algebras and computational complexity through the constraint satisfaction problem (CSP). It allows a classification of algebras according to their complexity within **NP**. We focus on quandles, algebras that arise via knot theory. In particular, we demonstrate that all finite quandles that are not locally connected are **NP-complete**. Furthermore, we will present recent progress on the classification of locally connected quandles. (Received September 13, 2007)