

Reasoning about Connectivity without Paths*

Accompanying proof-scenario

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1 Introductory note

This scenario undertakes the study of connectivity, treated here as a property of hypergraphs. HYPERGRAPHS are defined to be just finite sets of edges, each edge being, in its turn, a finite set of cardinality two or more. The elements of the edges of a hypergraph are called its VERTICES, or NODES (deliberately, we are leaving out of our study hypergraphs with isolated nodes).

Ordinary GRAPHS simply are, from this perspective, finite sets of doubletons.

A hypergraph G is said to be CONNECTED when it has no subset P , other than \emptyset and G itself, such that P and $G \setminus P$ share no nodes. Trivial examples of connected hypergraphs are: \emptyset ; every singleton $\{e\}$ whose element e is finite, non-null, and non-singleton; every doubleton hypergraph $\{e_0, e_1\}$ with $e_0 \cap e_1 \neq \emptyset$.

We will prove that one can always remove one of the nodes of a connected non-null hypergraph without disrupting its connectivity; but, preliminary to showing that, we must explain how nodes get removed. Removing a node w from an *ordinary* graph G amounts to withdrawing from G all edges to which w belongs; but when G is a hypergraph endowed with at least one non-doubleton edge, node removal becomes a more complicated operation. Speaking in general, REMOVING a node w will amount to withdrawing all doubleton edges to which w belongs, at the same time deleting w from every other edge (the edges to which w does not belong are nohow affected by the removal operation).

Now we are ready to define a CUT VERTEX of an hypergraph G (typically connected) as being a node w such that G does not have the form $G = \{\{u, w\}\}$, and either a disconnected graph results from the removal of w from G , or some node different from w gets lost in consequence of the removal of w . Our target theorem hence is that *every non-null graph G has a node which is not a cut vertex of G* .

Henceforth hypergraphs will be simply called graphs, for brevity.

The proofs carried out in this scenario follow rather closely the guidelines of the conference paper

[CO14] A. Casagrande, E. G. Omodeo, Reasoning about Connectivity without Paths, ICTCS 2014, Perugia.

The propositions in that paper are identified by the names: Lemmas 1, ..., 21, Theorems 1 and 2, and Corollary 1; a reference to each of them is provided near the corresponding Theorem hgraph_{XX} within this scenario. The only missing proposition here is Theorem 1, whose proof has been embedded in the proof of Corollary 1 (Theorem hgraph_{24} in this document); on the other hand, a few (relatively marginal) propositions not proved in that paper will enter into play more visibly here.

2 Prerequisites

2.1 Basic laws on the power-set and sum-set global operations

DEF \mathcal{P} : [Family of all subsets of a given set] $\mathcal{P}S =_{\text{Def}} \{x : x \subseteq S\}$

Our next theorem characterizes the powerset formation operation in more usable terms than the very definition of this construct. It also proves that no set can equal its own powerset (else it should belong to itself, against the acyclicity of membership).

THEOREM pow_0 : [Characterization of powerset; also: no set equals its own powerset] $(X \supseteq Y \leftrightarrow Y \in \mathcal{P}X) \ \& \ X \neq \mathcal{P}X$. PROOF:

Suppose_not(x_0, y_0) \Rightarrow AUTO

We begin by excluding the possibility that $x_0 = \mathcal{P}x_0$:

Suppose \Rightarrow Stat0: $x_0 \notin \{y : y \subseteq x_0\}$

$\langle x_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat0} \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO

Use_def($\mathcal{P}x_0$) \Rightarrow AUTO

Arguing by contradiction, if x_0, y_0 constituted a counterexample, then either one of the literals $x_0 \supseteq y_0$ and $y_0 \in \{y : y \subseteq x_0\}$ would be true and the other one would be false.

EQUAL \Rightarrow Stat1: $x_0 \supseteq y_0 \neq y_0 \in \{y : y \subseteq x_0\}$

If it is the second that is true then, via a substitution in the setformer, we would contradict the falsity of the first.

Suppose \Rightarrow Stat2: $y_0 \in \{y : y \subseteq x_0\}$

$\langle y_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow Stat3: $y_0 \notin \{y : y \subseteq x_0\}$

But then the literals $x_0 \supseteq y_0$ and $y_0 \notin \{y : y \subseteq x_0\}$ should hold together, which gives us a contradiction if we replace the bounded variable y of the setformer by y_0 .

$\langle y_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

THEOREM pow_1 : [Monotonicity of powerset] $S \supseteq X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}X \cup \{\emptyset, X\} \subseteq \mathcal{P}S$. PROOF:

Suppose_not(s_0, x_0) \Rightarrow AUTO

Set_monot \Rightarrow $\{x : x \subseteq x_0\} \subseteq \{x : x \subseteq s_0\}$

Use_def(\mathcal{P}) \Rightarrow Stat1: $\emptyset \notin \{x : x \subseteq s_0\} \vee x_0 \notin \{x : x \subseteq s_0\}$

$\langle \emptyset, x_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1} \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

THEOREM pow₂: [Powerset of null set and of singletons] $\mathcal{P}\emptyset = \{\emptyset\}$ & $\mathcal{P}\{X\} = \{\emptyset, \{X\}\}$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(x_0) \Rightarrow AUTO
 Suppose $\Rightarrow \mathcal{P}\emptyset \neq \{\emptyset\}$
 $\langle \emptyset, \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow Tpow_1 \Rightarrow Stat0: \mathcal{P}\emptyset \not\subseteq \{\emptyset\}$
 $\langle y_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat0(Stat0^*) \Rightarrow Stat1: y_0 \in \mathcal{P}\emptyset$ & $y_0 \notin \{\emptyset\}$
 $\langle \emptyset, y_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Tpow_0(Stat1^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge $\Rightarrow \mathcal{P}\{x_0\} \neq \{\emptyset, \{x_0\}\}$
 $\langle \{x_0\}, \{x_0\} \rangle \hookrightarrow Tpow_1 \Rightarrow Stat2: \mathcal{P}\{x_0\} \not\subseteq \{\emptyset, \{x_0\}\}$
 $\langle y_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat2 \Rightarrow Stat3: y_1 \in \mathcal{P}\{x_0\}$ & $y_1 \notin \{\emptyset, \{x_0\}\}$
 $\langle \{x_0\}, y_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Tpow_0(Stat3^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

DEF U: [Family of all members of members of a set] $US =_{\text{Def}} \{u : v \in S, u \in v\}$

THEOREM un₀: [Unionset operation yielding null result] $\bigcup X = \emptyset \leftrightarrow X \subseteq \{\emptyset\}$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(x_0) \Rightarrow AUTO
 Use_def($\bigcup x_0$) \Rightarrow AUTO
 Suppose $\Rightarrow Stat1: x_0 \not\subseteq \{\emptyset\}$ & $\{y : x \in x_0, y \in x\} = \emptyset$
 $\langle x_1, x_1, \text{arb}(x_1) \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat1(Stat1) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge $\Rightarrow Stat2: \{y : x \in x_0, y \in x\} \neq \emptyset$ & $x_0 \subseteq \{\emptyset\}$
 $\langle x_2, y_2 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat2(Stat2^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

THEOREM un₂: [Unionset operation combined with set adjunction] $X \cup \{Y\} = Z \rightarrow \bigcup Z = \bigcup X \cup Y$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(x_0, y_0, z_0) \Rightarrow AUTO
 EQUAL $\Rightarrow Stat0: \bigcup(x_0 \cup \{y_0\}) \neq \bigcup x_0 \cup y_0$
 Use_def(\bigcup) $\Rightarrow Stat1: \{y : x \in x_0 \cup \{y_0\}, y \in x\} \neq \{y' : x' \in x_0, y' \in x'\} \cup y_0$
 $\langle c \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat1(Stat1^*) \Rightarrow c \in \{y : x \in x_0 \cup \{y_0\}, y \in x\} \neq c \in \{y' : x' \in x_0, y' \in x'\} \cup y_0$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow Stat2: c \in \{y : x \in x_0 \cup \{y_0\}, y \in x\}$ & $c \notin \{y' : x' \in x_0, y' \in x'\}$ & $c \notin y_0$
 $\langle x_1, y_1, x_1, y_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat2(Stat2^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO
 Suppose $\Rightarrow Stat3: c \notin \{y : x \in x_0 \cup \{y_0\}, y \in x\}$ & $c \in y_0$
 $\langle y_0, c \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat3(Stat3^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge $\Rightarrow Stat4: c \in \{y' : x' \in x_0, y' \in x'\}$ & $c \notin \{y : x \in x_0 \cup \{y_0\}, y \in x\}$
 $\langle x_2, y_2, x_2, y_2 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat4(Stat4^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

THEOREM un₄: [Unionset operation applied to a singleton] $\{Y\} = Z \rightarrow \bigcup Z = Y$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(y_0, z_0) \Rightarrow AUTO
 $\langle \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow Tun_0(\star) \Rightarrow \bigcup \emptyset = \emptyset$
 $\langle \emptyset, y_0, z_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Tun_2(\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

2.2 Basic laws on the finiteness property, and associated ‘Theory’s

Traditionally, finiteness is defined through the notion of cardinality of a set: a set is finite if its cardinality precedes the first infinite ordinal. As a shortcut, to begin developing an acceptable formal treatment of finiteness without much preparatory work, we adopt here the following definition (reminiscent of Tarski’s 1924 paper “Sur les ensembles fini”): a set F is *finite* if every non-null family of subsets of F owns an inclusion-minimal element. This notion can be specified very succinctly in terms of the powerset operator.

DEF Fin: [Finiteness property] $\text{Finite}(F) \iff_{\text{Def}} \langle \forall g \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}F) \setminus \{\emptyset\}, \exists m \mid g \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\} \rangle$

THEOREM fin₀: [Monotonicity of finiteness] $Y \supseteq X \ \& \ \text{Finite}(Y) \rightarrow \text{Finite}(X)$. **PROOF:**

$\text{Suppose_not}(y_0, x_0) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle y_0, x_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow T_{\text{pow}_1}(\star) \Rightarrow \mathcal{P}y_0 \supseteq \mathcal{P}x_0$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{Finite}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : \neg \langle \forall g \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}x_0) \setminus \{\emptyset\}, \exists m \mid g \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\} \rangle \ \& \ \langle \forall g' \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}y_0) \setminus \{\emptyset\}, \exists m \mid g' \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\} \rangle$
 $\langle \mathcal{P}y_0, \mathcal{P}x_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow T_{\text{pow}_1}(\star) \Rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}y_0) \supseteq \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}x_0)$
 $\langle g_0, g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \neg \langle \exists m \mid g_0 \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\} \rangle \ \& \ \langle \exists m \mid g_0 \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\} \rangle$
 $\text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

THEOREM fin₁: [Finiteness of the union of a finite set with a singleton] $\text{Finite}(F) \rightarrow \text{Finite}(F \cup \{X\})$. **PROOF:**

$\text{Suppose_not}(f_0, x_0) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$

Arguing by contradiction, suppose that f_0 and x_0 are such that f_0 is finite but $f_0 \cup \{x_0\}$ is not. A nonnull family g_0 of subsets of $f_0 \cup \{x_0\}$ must then exist none of whose elements is minimal. On the other hand $\{y \setminus \{x_0\} : y \in g_0\}$, which is also nonnull but consists entirely of subsets of f_0 , must have a minimal element $m_0 = y_0 \setminus \{x_0\}$, with $y_0 \in g_0$.

$\text{Use_def}(\text{Finite}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat0} : \neg \langle \forall g \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(f_0 \cup \{x_0\})) \setminus \{\emptyset\}, \exists m \mid g \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\} \rangle \ \& \ \text{Stat1} : \langle \forall h \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}f_0) \setminus \{\emptyset\}, \exists m \mid h \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\} \rangle$
 $\langle g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat0}(\text{Stat0}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : \neg \langle \exists m \mid g_0 \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\} \rangle \ \& \ g_0 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}(f_0 \cup \{x_0\})) \ \& \ g_0 \neq \emptyset$
 $\text{Loc_def} \Rightarrow \text{Stat3} : h_0 = \{y \setminus \{x_0\} : y \in g_0\}$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow h_0 \notin \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}f_0) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : \{y \setminus \{x_0\} : y \in g_0\} = \emptyset$
 $\langle \text{arb}(g_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat4}(\text{Stat2}, \text{Stat2}) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\mathcal{P}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat5} : h_0 \notin \{h : h \subseteq \{k : k \subseteq f_0\}\}$
 $\langle h_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat5}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat6} : h_0 \not\subseteq \{k : k \subseteq f_0\}$
 $\langle k_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat3}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat7} : k_0 \in \{y \setminus \{x_0\} : y \in g_0\} \ \& \ k_0 \notin \{k : k \subseteq f_0\}$
 $\langle y_1, k_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\text{Stat7}\star) \Rightarrow y_1 \in g_0 \ \& \ y_1 \not\subseteq f_0 \cup \{x_0\}$

Use_def(\mathcal{P}) \Rightarrow Stat8: $g_0 \in \{h : h \subseteq \{k : k \subseteq f_0 \cup \{x_0\}\}\}$
 $\langle h_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat8(Stat7*) \Rightarrow Stat9: $y_1 \in \{k : k \subseteq f_0 \cup \{x_0\}\}$
 $\langle k_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat9(Stat7*) \Rightarrow false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO
 $\langle h_0, m_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat1(Stat3*) \Rightarrow Stat10: $m_0 \in \{y \setminus \{x_0\} : y \in g_0\} \ \& \ h_0 \cap \mathcal{P}m_0 = \{m_0\}$
 $\langle y_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat10(Stat10*) \Rightarrow Stat11: $m_0 = y_0 \setminus \{x_0\} \ \& \ y_0 \in g_0$

We will reach the desired contradiction by showing that either m_0 or $y_0 = m_0 \cup \{x_0\}$ is minimal in g_0 . We check first that m_0 itself must be minimal when $m_0 \in g_0$.

Suppose \Rightarrow $m_0 \in g_0$
 $\langle m_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat2(Stat10*) \Rightarrow Stat12: $g_0 \cap \mathcal{P}m_0 \not\subseteq \{m_0\}$
 Use_def($\mathcal{P}m_0$) \Rightarrow AUTO
 $\langle z_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat12(Stat3*) \Rightarrow Stat13: $z_0 \in \{h : h \subseteq m_0\} \ \& \ z_0 \notin \{y \setminus \{x_0\} : y \in g_0\} \ \& \ z_0 \in g_0$
 $\langle h_2, z_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat13(Stat11*) \Rightarrow false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO

Suppose next that $m_0 \notin g_0$; we will reach a contradiction by showing that y_0 is minimal in g_0 .

Suppose \Rightarrow $y_0 \notin \mathcal{P}y_0$
 Use_def(\mathcal{P}) \Rightarrow Stat13a: $y_0 \notin \{s : s \subseteq y_0\}$
 $\langle y_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat13a(Stat13a*) \Rightarrow false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO
 $\langle y_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat2(Stat11*) \Rightarrow Stat14: $g_0 \cap \mathcal{P}y_0 \not\subseteq \{y_0\}$
 Use_def($\mathcal{P}y_0$) \Rightarrow AUTO
 $\langle z_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat14(Stat11*) \Rightarrow Stat15: $z_1 \in \{h : h \subseteq y_0\} \ \& \ z_1 \in g_0 \ \& \ z_1 \setminus \{x_0\} \neq y_0 \setminus \{x_0\}$
 EQUAL Stat10 \Rightarrow $h_0 \cap \mathcal{P}(y_0 \setminus \{x_0\}) = \{y_0 \setminus \{x_0\}\}$
 Suppose \Rightarrow $z_1 \setminus \{x_0\} \notin \mathcal{P}(y_0 \setminus \{x_0\})$
 Use_def(\mathcal{P}) \Rightarrow Stat16: $z_1 \setminus \{x_0\} \notin \{h : h \subseteq y_0 \setminus \{x_0\}\}$
 $\langle z_1 \setminus \{x_0\} \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat16(Stat16*) \Rightarrow $z_1 \setminus \{x_0\} \not\subseteq y_0 \setminus \{x_0\}$
 $\langle h_3 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat15(Stat16*) \Rightarrow false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO
 Suppose \Rightarrow Stat17: $z_1 \setminus \{x_0\} \notin \{y \setminus \{x_0\} : y \in g_0\}$
 $\langle z_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat17(Stat15*) \Rightarrow false; Discharge \Rightarrow $z_1 \setminus \{x_0\} \in h_0$
 (Stat15*)Discharge \Rightarrow QED

THEOREM fin₂: [Singletons are finite] Finite($\{X\}$) & Finite(\emptyset). **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(x_0) \Rightarrow AUTO
 $\langle \{x_0\}, \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Tfin₀ \Rightarrow \neg Finite($\{x_0\}$)
 Use_def(Finite) \Rightarrow Stat1: $\neg(\forall g \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}\{x_0\}) \setminus \{\emptyset\}, \exists m \mid g \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\})$
 $\langle g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Stat1 \Rightarrow Stat2: $\neg(\exists m \mid g_0 \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\}) \ \& \ g_0 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}\{x_0\}) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$
 Use_def(\mathcal{P}) \Rightarrow Stat3: $g_0 \in \{y : y \subseteq \mathcal{P}\{x_0\}\}$
 $\langle x_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow$ Tpow₂ \Rightarrow AUTO

$\langle y_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : g_0 \neq \emptyset \ \& \ g_0 \subseteq \{\emptyset, \{x_0\}\}$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow \emptyset \in g_0$
 $\langle \emptyset \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat3}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow g_0 = \{\{x_0\}\}$
 $\langle \{x_0\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat3}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

THEORY finitelInduction($s_0, P(S)$)
 Finite(s_0) & P(s_0)
END finitelInduction

ENTER_THEORY finitelInduction

THEOREM finitelInduction₀. $\langle \exists m \mid \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\} \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\} \rangle$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not($\rangle \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 Assump $\Rightarrow \text{Finite}(s_0) \ \& \ P(s_0)$
 Use_def(Finite) $\Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : \langle \forall g \in \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}s_0) \setminus \{\emptyset\}, \exists m \mid g \cap \mathcal{P}m = \{m\} \rangle$
 $\langle \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat1} \Rightarrow \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\} \notin \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}s_0) \setminus \{\emptyset\}$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : s_0 \notin \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\}$
 $\langle s_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat2} \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\} \notin \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{P}s_0)$
 Use_def(\mathcal{P}) $\Rightarrow \text{Stat3} : \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\} \notin \{y : y \subseteq \{z : z \subseteq s_0\}\}$
 $\langle \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat3} \Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\} \not\subseteq \{z : z \subseteq s_0\}$
 $\langle s_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat4} \Rightarrow \text{Stat5} : s_1 \in \{s : s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\} \ \& \ s_1 \notin \{z : z \subseteq s_0\}$
 $\langle s, s_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat5}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

APPLY $\langle v1_\emptyset : \text{fin}_\emptyset \rangle$ Skolem \Rightarrow **THEOREM** finitelInduction₁. $\{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\} \cap \mathcal{P}\text{fin}_\emptyset = \{\text{fin}_\emptyset\}$.

THEOREM finitelInduction₂: [Minimal finite set satisfying P] $S \subseteq \text{fin}_\emptyset \rightarrow \text{Finite}(S) \ \& \ (P(S) \leftrightarrow S = \text{fin}_\emptyset)$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(s_1) $\Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{TfinitelInduction}_1 \Rightarrow \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\} \cap \mathcal{P}\text{fin}_\emptyset = \{\text{fin}_\emptyset\} \ \& \ \text{Stat1} : \text{fin}_\emptyset \in \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\}$
 $\langle \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat1} \Rightarrow \text{fin}_\emptyset \subseteq s_0 \ \& \ P(\text{fin}_\emptyset)$
 Assump $\Rightarrow \text{Finite}(s_0)$
 $\langle s_0, \text{fin}_\emptyset \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Tfin}_0 \Rightarrow \text{Finite}(\text{fin}_\emptyset)$
 $\langle \text{fin}_\emptyset, s_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Tfin}_0 \Rightarrow P(s_1) \neq s_1 = \text{fin}_\emptyset$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow s_1 = \text{fin}_\emptyset$
EQUAL $\Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow s_1 \notin \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\} \cap \mathcal{P}\text{fin}_\emptyset \ \& \ P(s_1)$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow s_1 \notin \mathcal{P}\text{fin}_\emptyset$
 Use_def(\mathcal{P}) $\Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : s_1 \notin \{y : y \subseteq \text{fin}_\emptyset\}$
 $\langle s_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat2} \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{Stat3} : s_1 \notin \{s \subseteq s_0 \mid P(s)\}$
 $\langle s_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat3} \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

ENTER_THEORY Set_theory

DISPLAY finitelInduction

THEORY finitelInduction($s_0, P(S)$)

Finite(s_0) & P(s_0)

\Rightarrow (fin_Θ)

$\langle \forall S \mid S \subseteq \text{fin}_\Theta \rightarrow \text{Finite}(S) \ \& \ (P(S) \leftrightarrow S = \text{fin}_\Theta) \rangle$

END finitelInduction

THEOREM fin₃: [Finiteness of the union of two finites sets] Finite(X) & Finite(Y) \rightarrow Finite($X \cup Y$). PROOF:

Suppose_not(x_0, y_1) \Rightarrow AUTO

|| Arguing by contradiction, suppose that x_0 and y_1 are finite sets whose union is not finite.
|| The finite induction enables us to take a minimal subset y_0 of y_1 for which $x_0 \cup y_0$ is not finite.

APPLY $\langle \text{fin}_\Theta : y_0 \rangle$ finitelInduction($s_0 \mapsto y_1, P(S) \mapsto \neg \text{Finite}(x_0 \cup S)$) \Rightarrow

Stat1: $\langle \forall s \mid s \subseteq y_0 \rightarrow \text{Finite}(s) \ \& \ (\neg \text{Finite}(x_0 \cup s) \leftrightarrow s = y_0) \rangle$

$\langle y_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}^*) \Rightarrow$ Finite(y_0) & $\neg \text{Finite}(x_0 \cup y_0)$

Loc.def \Rightarrow $a_0 = \text{arb}(y_0)$

|| Since y_0 cannot be empty, the union $x_0 \cup y_0$ can be decomposed as
|| $x_0 \cup (y_0 \setminus \{a_0\}) \cup \{a_0\}$, where $x_0 \cup (y_0 \setminus \{a_0\})$ is finite by inductive hypothesis. But then $x_0 \cup y_0$ must also be finite by Theorem fin₁.

Suppose \Rightarrow $x_0 \cup y_0 = x_0$

EQUAL \Rightarrow false; Discharge \Rightarrow Stat2: $y_0 \setminus \{a_0\} \neq y_0$

$\langle y_0 \setminus \{a_0\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}^*) \Rightarrow$ Finite($x_0 \cup (y_0 \setminus \{a_0\})$)

$\langle x_0 \cup (y_0 \setminus \{a_0\}), a_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Tfin}_1(\text{Stat2}^*) \Rightarrow$ Finite($x_0 \cup (y_0 \setminus \{a_0\}) \cup \{a_0\}$)

EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat1} \rangle \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

THEOREM fin₄: [Every nonnull finite set has an inclusion-maximal element] Finite(S) & $S \neq \emptyset \rightarrow \langle \exists m \in S \mid \{x \in S \setminus \{m\} \mid m \subseteq x\} = \emptyset \rangle$. PROOF:

Suppose_not(s_1) \Rightarrow AUTO

|| To start an inductive argument by contradiction, suppose s_2 is an inclusion-minimal counterexample.

APPLY $\langle \text{fin}_\Theta : s_2 \rangle$ finitelInduction($s_0 \mapsto s_1, P(S) \mapsto (S \neq \emptyset \ \& \ \neg \langle \exists m \in S \mid \{x \in S \setminus \{m\} \mid m \subseteq x\} = \emptyset \rangle)$) \Rightarrow

Stat1: $\langle \forall s \mid s \subseteq s_2 \rightarrow \text{Finite}(s) \ \& \ (s \neq \emptyset \ \& \ \neg \langle \exists m \in S \mid \{x \in S \setminus \{m\} \mid m \subseteq x\} = \emptyset \rangle \leftrightarrow s = s_2) \rangle$

$\langle s_2 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : s_2 \neq \emptyset \ \& \ \text{Stat3} : \neg \langle \exists m \in s_2 \mid \{x \in s_2 \setminus \{m\} \mid m \subseteq x\} = \emptyset \rangle$

|| Draw from this set s_2 , where no element is maximal, an element x_2 . Since x_2 is not maximal, there is an $x_3 \in s_2$ exceeding it.

$\langle x_2, x_2 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : \{x \in s_2 \setminus \{x_2\} \mid x_2 \subseteq x\} \neq \emptyset \ \& \ x_2 \in s_2$
 $\langle x_3 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat4}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow x_3 \in s_2 \setminus \{x_2\} \ \& \ x_2 \subseteq x_3$

|| Due to the minimality assumption concerning s_2 , there is a maximal element m_0 in $s_2 \setminus \{x_2\}$.

$\langle s_2 \setminus \{x_2\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat5} : \langle \exists m \in s_2 \setminus \{x_2\} \mid \{x \in s_2 \setminus \{x_2\} \setminus \{m\} \mid m \subseteq x\} = \emptyset \rangle$
 $\langle m_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat5}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat6} : \{x \in s_2 \setminus \{x_2\} \setminus \{m_0\} \mid m_0 \subseteq x\} = \emptyset \ \& \ m_0 \in s_2 \setminus \{x_2\}$

|| This m_0 is not maximal in s_2 ; therefore, unlike x_3 , it must be included in x_2 .

$\langle m_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat6}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat7} : \{x \in s_2 \setminus \{m_0\} \mid m_0 \subseteq x\} \neq \emptyset \ \& \ \{x \in s_2 \setminus \{x_2\} \setminus \{m_0\} \mid m_0 \subseteq x\} = \emptyset$
 $\langle x_4, x_4 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\text{Stat7}\star) \Rightarrow m_0 \subseteq x_2$

|| But then x_3 exceeds m_0 , which contradicts the maximality of m_0 in $s_2 \setminus \{x_2\}$.

$\langle x_3 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

THEORY finitelImage($s_0, f(X)$)

Finite(s_0)

END finitelImage

ENTER_THEORY finitelImage

THEOREM finitelImage. Finite($\{f(x) : x \in s_0\}$). **PROOF:**

Suppose_not() \Rightarrow **AUTO**

|| We can prove the claim by means of finite induction. Arguing by contradiction, let us assume that s_0 has, via the global function $f(X)$, infinite image; then take an s_1 which is finite and minimal (w. r. t. inclusion) and has, much like s_0 , infinite image $\{f(x) : x \in s_1\}$. As one sees easily, $s_1 \neq \emptyset$; hence, if we remove an element a from s_1 , we find that $\{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\}$ is finite in consequence of the supposed minimality of s_1 . Since the union of two finite sets is finite, we get the finiteness of $\{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\} \cup \{f\}(a)$, which hence must differ from $\{f(x) : x \in s_1\}$.

Assump \Rightarrow Finite(s_0)

APPLY $\langle \text{fin}_\emptyset : s_1 \rangle$ finitInduction($s_0 \mapsto s_0, P(S) \mapsto \neg \text{Finite}(\{f(x) : x \in S\})$) \Rightarrow

Stat1: $\langle \forall s \mid s \subseteq s_1 \rightarrow \text{Finite}(s) \ \& \ (\neg \text{Finite}(\{f(x) : x \in s\}) \leftrightarrow s = s_1) \rangle$

$\langle s_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat1} \Rightarrow \neg \text{Finite}(\{f(x) : x \in s_1\})$

Loc_def \Rightarrow Stat0: $a = \text{arb}(s_1)$

$\langle f(a) \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Tfin}_2 \Rightarrow \text{Finite}(\{f\}(a)) \ \& \ \text{Finite}(\emptyset)$

Suppose $\Rightarrow s_1 = \emptyset$

ELEM $\Rightarrow \{f(x) : x \in \emptyset\} = \emptyset$

EQUAL \Rightarrow false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO

$(\text{Stat0})\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : s_1 \setminus \{a\} \subseteq s_1 \ \& \ s_1 \setminus \{a\} \neq s_1$

Suppose $\Rightarrow \{f(x) : x \in s_1\} = \{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\} \cup \{f\}(a)$

$\langle s_1 \setminus \{a\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat2}^*) \Rightarrow \text{Finite}(\{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\})$

$\langle \{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\}, f(a) \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Tfin}_1(\text{Stat1}^*) \Rightarrow$

Finite($\{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\} \cup \{f\}(a)$)

EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat1} \rangle \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO

|| On the other hand, $\{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\} \cup \{f\}(a)$ and $\{f(x) : x \in s_1\}$ must be equal:
in fact $a \in s_1$, and therefore $f(a) \in \{f(x) : x \in s_1\}$; moreover, by monotonicity,
 $\{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\} \subseteq \{f(x) : x \in s_1\}$ and ...

Set_monot $\Rightarrow \{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\} \subseteq \{f(x) : x \in s_1\}$

Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat3} : f(a) \notin \{f(x) : x \in s_1\}$

$\langle a \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat2}, \text{Stat2}^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge $\Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : \{f(x) : x \in s_1\} \not\subseteq \{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\} \cup \{f\}(a)$

|| ... one easily sees that $\{f(x) : x \in s_1\} \subseteq \{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\} \cup \{f\}(a)$, ...

$\langle b \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat4}(\text{Stat4}^*) \Rightarrow \text{Stat5} : b \in \{f(x) : x \in s_1\} \ \& \ b \notin \{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\} \cup \{f\}(a)$

$\langle x_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat5}(\text{Stat5}^*) \Rightarrow f(x_0) \notin \{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\} \ \& \ x_0 \in s_1 \ \& \ f(x_0) \neq f(a)$

Suppose $\Rightarrow x_0 = a$

EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat5} \rangle \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge $\Rightarrow \text{Stat6} : f(x_0) \notin \{f(x) : x \in s_1 \setminus \{a\}\} \ \& \ x_0 \neq a \ \& \ x_0 \in s_1$

$\langle x_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat6}^*) \Rightarrow$ false; -

|| which leads us to the sought contradiction.

Discharge \Rightarrow QED

ENTER_THEORY Set_theory

DISPLAY finitelmage

THEORY finitelmage($s_0, f(X)$)
 Finite(s_0)
 \Rightarrow
 Finite($\{f(x) : x \in s_0\}$)
 END finitelmage

THEOREM fin₅: [Powersets of finite sets are finite] Finite(F) \rightarrow Finite(PF). PROOF:

Suppose_not(f_1) \Rightarrow AUTO

We can prove the claim by means of finite induction. Arguing by contradiction, let us assume that f_1 is finite but has an infinite powerset; then take an f_0 which is finite and minimal (w. r. t. inclusion) and has, much like f_1 , infinite powerset. As one sees easily, $f_0 \neq \emptyset$; hence, if we remove an element a from f_0 , we find that $\mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\})$ is finite in consequence of the supposed minimality of f_0 .

APPLY $\langle \text{fin}_\emptyset : f_0 \rangle$ finitInduction($s_0 \mapsto f_1, P(S) \mapsto \neg \text{Finite}(PS)$) \Rightarrow

Stat1 : $\langle \forall s \mid s \subseteq f_0 \rightarrow \text{Finite}(s) \ \& \ (\neg \text{Finite}(Ps) \leftrightarrow s = f_0) \rangle$

$\langle f_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat1} \Rightarrow \neg \text{Finite}(Pf_0)$

Suppose $\Rightarrow f_0 = \emptyset$

$\langle \emptyset \rangle \leftrightarrow T\text{fin}_2(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Finite}(\{\emptyset\})$

Suppose $\Rightarrow \mathcal{P}\emptyset = \{\emptyset\}$

EQUAL \Rightarrow false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO

Use_def($\mathcal{P}\emptyset$) \Rightarrow AUTO

$\langle \emptyset, \emptyset \rangle \leftrightarrow T\text{pow}_1(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : \{x : x \subseteq \emptyset\} \not\subseteq \{\emptyset\}$

$\langle x_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat3} : x_0 \in \{x : x \subseteq \emptyset\} \ \& \ x_0 \neq \emptyset$

$\langle x_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat3}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge $\Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : f_0 \neq \emptyset$

$\langle a \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat4}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow a \in f_0$

$\langle f_0 \setminus \{a\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Finite}(\mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\}))$

$\langle f_0, f_0 \setminus \{a\} \rangle \leftrightarrow T\text{pow}_1(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \mathcal{P}f_0 = \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\}) \cup (\mathcal{P}f_0 \setminus \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\}))$

EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat1} \rangle \Rightarrow \neg \text{Finite}(\mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\}) \cup (\mathcal{P}f_0 \setminus \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\})))$

$\langle \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\}), \mathcal{P}f_0 \setminus \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\}) \rangle \leftrightarrow T\text{fin}_3(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \neg \text{Finite}(\mathcal{P}f_0 \setminus \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\}))$

Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat5} : \mathcal{P}f_0 \setminus \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\}) \neq \{x \cup \{a\} : x \in \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\})\}$

$\langle b \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat5} \Rightarrow$ AUTO

Use_def($\mathcal{P}f_0$) \Rightarrow AUTO

Use_def($\mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\})$) \Rightarrow AUTO

Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat6} : b \in \{x \cup \{a\} : x \in \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\})\}$

$\langle x_2 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat7}: x_2 \in \{y : y \subseteq f_0 \setminus \{a\}\} \ \& \ b = x_2 \cup \{a\}$
 $\langle y_2 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\text{Stat7}\star) \Rightarrow x_2 \subseteq f_0 \setminus \{a\}$
 $(\text{Stat5}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat8}: b \in \{y : y \subseteq f_0 \setminus \{a\}\} \vee b \notin \{y : y \subseteq f_0\}$
 $\langle y_1, b \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat8}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $(\text{Stat5}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat9}: b \in \{y : y \subseteq f_0\} \ \& \ b \notin \{y : y \subseteq f_0 \setminus \{a\}\} \ \& \ b \notin \{x \cup \{a\} : x \in \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\})\}$
 $\langle y_0, y_0, y_0 \setminus \{a\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat9}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat10}:$
 $y_0 \setminus \{a\} \notin \{y : y \subseteq f_0 \setminus \{a\}\} \ \& \ y_0 \subseteq f_0 \ \& \ a \in y_0$
 $\langle y_0 \setminus \{a\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat10}(\text{Stat10}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{APPLY} \langle \rangle \text{ finitelmage}(s_0 \mapsto \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\}), f(X) \mapsto x \cup \{a\}) \Rightarrow \text{Finite}(\{x \cup \{a\} : x \in \mathcal{P}(f_0 \setminus \{a\})\})$
 $\text{EQUAL} \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

THEOREM fin₆: [Sets whose sum-set is finite are finite] $\text{Finite}(\cup F) \rightarrow \text{Finite}(F)$. **PROOF:**

$\text{Suppose_not}(f_0) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow f_0 \subseteq \mathcal{P}(\cup f_0)$
 $\langle \mathcal{P}(\cup f_0), f_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Tfin}_0(\star) \Rightarrow \neg \text{Finite}(\mathcal{P}(\cup f_0))$
 $\langle \cup f_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Tfin}_5(\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{Stat1}: f_0 \not\subseteq \mathcal{P}(\cup f_0)$
 $\text{Use_def}(\mathcal{P}(\cup f_0)) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle x_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2}: x_0 \notin \{y : y \subseteq \cup f_0\} \ \& \ x_0 \in f_0$
 $\langle x_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow x_0 \not\subseteq \cup f_0 \ \& \ x_0 \in f_0$
 $\langle f_0, x_0, f_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Tun}_2(\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

3 Connected hypergraphs have non-cut vertices

3.1 Sum-set will conveniently represent the operation supplying the set of nodes underlying a hypergraph

DEF roughCard₂: [Having at least two elements] $\text{CardAtLeast2}(E) \leftrightarrow_{\text{Def}} E \not\subseteq \{\text{arb}(E)\}$

DEF hgraph₀: ['nodes' is an alias of sum-set] $\text{nodes}(G) =_{\text{Def}} \cup G$

DEF hgraph₁: [An edge to which a given vertex belongs] $\text{edgeOf}(V, G) =_{\text{Def}} \text{arb}(\{e \in G \mid V \in e\})$

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 9 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph_a: [Sumset monotonicity] $P \subseteq G \rightarrow \text{nodes}(P) \subseteq \text{nodes}(G)$. **PROOF:**

$\text{Suppose_not}(p_0, g_0) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\cup) \Rightarrow \cup p_0 = \{v : e \in p_0, v \in e\} \ \& \ \cup g_0 = \{v : e \in g_0, v \in e\}$
 $\text{Set_monot} \Rightarrow \{v : e \in p_0, v \in e\} \subseteq \{v : e \in g_0, v \in e\}$

Use_def(nodes) \Rightarrow false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 10 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph_b: [Sumset distributes over dyadic union] $\text{nodes}(P \cup Q) = \text{nodes}(P) \cup \text{nodes}(Q)$. **PROOF**:

Suppose_not(p_0, q_0) \Rightarrow AUTO

$\langle p_0, p_0 \cup q_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a \Rightarrow$ AUTO

$\langle q_0, p_0 \cup q_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a \Rightarrow$ Stat1: $\text{nodes}(p_0 \cup q_0) \not\subseteq \text{nodes}(p_0) \cup \text{nodes}(q_0)$

$\langle v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow v_0 \in \text{nodes}(p_0 \cup q_0) \ \& \ v_0 \notin \text{nodes}(p_0) \cup \text{nodes}(q_0)$

Use_def(nodes) $\Rightarrow v_0 \in \bigcup(p_0 \cup q_0) \ \& \ v_0 \notin \bigcup p_0 \cup \bigcup q_0$

Use_def(\bigcup) \Rightarrow Stat2: $v_0 \in \{v : e \in p_0 \cup q_0, v \in e\} \ \& \ v_0 \notin \{v : e \in p_0, v \in e\} \ \& \ v_0 \notin \{v : e \in q_0, v \in e\}$

$\langle e_1, v_1, e_1, v_0, e_1, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 11 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph_c: [Sumset disjointness law for two sets of which one includes the other] $P \subseteq G \rightarrow$

$(\text{nodes}(P) \cap \text{nodes}(G \setminus P) = \emptyset \leftrightarrow \langle \forall e \in G \mid \emptyset \in \{\text{nodes}(P) \cap e, \text{nodes}(G \setminus P) \cap e\} \rangle)$. **PROOF**:

Suppose_not(p_0, g_0) \Rightarrow AUTO

Use_def(nodes) \Rightarrow Stat1: $p_0 \subseteq g_0 \ \& \ (\bigcup p_0 \cap \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) = \emptyset \neq \langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \emptyset \in \{\bigcup p_0 \cap e, \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap e\} \rangle)$

|| Arguing by contradiction, suppose that p_0, g_0 form a counterexample. Recall that ‘nodes’ simply is an alias for the sum-set operator. Thus either (1) $\bigcup p_0 \cap \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) = \emptyset$ and $\neg \langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \emptyset \in \{\bigcup p_0 \cap e, \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap e\} \rangle$ hold together; or (2) $\bigcup p_0 \cap \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset$ and $\langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \emptyset \in \{\bigcup p_0 \cap e, \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap e\} \rangle$ hold together. We will exclude both possibilities, arguing as follows.

Suppose \Rightarrow Stat3: $\neg \langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \emptyset \in \{\bigcup p_0 \cap e, \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap e\} \rangle$

|| Possibility (1) leads to a contradiction: in fact, if $e_0 \in g_0$ is such that $\bigcup p_0 \cap e_0$ and $\bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap e_0$ are non-null, then either $e_0 \in p_0$ or $e_0 \in g_0 \setminus p_0$ must hold, but in the former case $e_0 \subseteq \bigcup p_0$ and hence $\bigcup p_0$ and $\bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0)$ would intersect; likewise, in the latter case $e_0 \subseteq \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0)$ and hence $\bigcup p_0$ and $\bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0)$ intersect again.

$\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow$ Stat4: $\emptyset \neq \bigcup p_0 \cap e_0 \ \& \ \emptyset \neq \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap e_0 \ \& \ \bigcup p_0 \cap \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) = \emptyset \ \& \ e_0 \in g_0$

Suppose $\Rightarrow e_0 \in p_0$

$\langle p_0, e_0, p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Tun}_2(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO

$\langle g_0 \setminus p_0, e_0, g_0 \setminus p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Tun}_2(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow Stat5: $\bigcup p_0 \cap \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset$ & Stat6: $\langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \emptyset \in \{\bigcup p_0 \cap e, \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap e\} \rangle$

|| Possibility (2) also leads to a contradiction: in fact, if $e_1 \in p_0$ and $v_1 \in e_1$ are such that $v_1 \in \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0)$ then either $\bigcup p_0 \cap e_1$ is null or $\bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap e_1$ must be null; but then it is untenable that $v_1 \in \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0)$ holds.

Use_def(Up_0) \Rightarrow AUTO
 $\langle v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat5}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat7} : v_1 \in \{u : e \in p_0, u \in e\} \ \& \ v_1 \in \text{Up}_0 \cap \bigcup (g_0 \setminus p_0)$
 $\langle e_1, u_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\text{Stat7}, \text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow e_1 \in g_0 \ \& \ v_1 \in e_1$

\parallel Both possibilities have led us to contradiction; hence the claim of this theorem holds.

$\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat7}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

THEOREM hgraph_d : [The nodes of a singleton graph are the elements of its edge] $\text{nodes}(\{E\}) = E \ \& \ \text{nodes}(\emptyset) = \emptyset$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(e_0) \Rightarrow AUTO
 $\langle e_0, \{e_0\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Tun}_4 \Rightarrow \bigcup \{e_0\} = e_0$
 $\langle \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Tun}_0(\star) \Rightarrow \bigcup \emptyset = \emptyset$
 Use_def(nodes) \Rightarrow false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

\parallel The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 8 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph_e : [Every vertex is brought in by an edge] $V \in \text{nodes}(G) \rightarrow V \in \text{edgeOf}(V, G) \ \& \ \text{edgeOf}(V, G) \in G \ \& \ \text{edgeOf}(V, G) \subseteq \text{nodes}(G)$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(v_0, g_0) \Rightarrow AUTO
 Use_def(nodes(g_0)) \Rightarrow AUTO
 Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0) \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\}$
 Use_def(edgeOf) $\Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} = \emptyset$
 Use_def(\bigcup) $\Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : v_0 \in \{v : e \in g_0, v \in e\}$
 $\langle e_1, v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow e_1 \in g_0 \ \& \ v_0 \in e_1$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge $\Rightarrow \text{Stat3} : \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0) \in \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\}$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\star) \Rightarrow \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0) \in g_0 \ \& \ v_0 \in \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0) \ \& \ \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0) \subseteq \bigcup g_0$
 $\langle g_0, \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0), g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Tun}_2(\text{Stat3}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

3.2 Hypergraphs viewed as sets of edges

DEF hgraph_2 : [Hypergraphs seen as sets of edges] $\text{HGraph}(G) \leftrightarrow_{\text{Def}} \text{Finite}(\text{nodes}(G)) \ \& \ \langle \forall e \in G \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle$

THEOREM hgraph_0 : [An ur-graph] $\text{HGraph}(\{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\})$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not() \Rightarrow AUTO
 Use_def(HGraph) $\Rightarrow \neg \text{Finite}(\text{nodes}(\{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\})) \vee \neg \langle \forall e \in \{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle$
 $\langle \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_d(\star) \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(\{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}) = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}$
 $\langle \{\emptyset\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Tfin}_2(\star) \Rightarrow \text{Finite}(\{\{\emptyset\}\}) \ \& \ \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} = \{\{\emptyset\}\} \cup \{\emptyset\}$
 $\langle \{\{\emptyset\}\}, \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Tfin}_1(\star) \Rightarrow \text{Finite}(\{\{\emptyset\}\} \cup \{\emptyset\})$
 EQUAL $\Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : \neg \langle \forall e \in \{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle$

$\langle e_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : e_1 = \{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} \ \& \ \neg \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_1)$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{CardAtLeast2}) \Rightarrow \neg e_1 \not\subseteq \{\text{arb}(e_1)\}$
 $(\text{Stat2})\text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

THEOREM hgraph₁: [Every graph has finitely many edges; and it is null iff its set of nodes is null] $\text{HGraph}(G) \rightarrow \text{Finite}(G) \ \& \ (G = \emptyset \leftrightarrow \text{nodes}(G) = \emptyset)$. **PROOF:**
 $\text{Suppose_not}(g_0) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$

|| A hypothetical counterexample g_0 cannot be null, else it would be finite and its sum-set would be null; but then, unless finite, g_0 would equal $\{\emptyset\}$, which conflicts with the fact that every edge must be at least doubleton.

$\langle \emptyset \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Tfin}_2(\star) \Rightarrow \text{Finite}(\emptyset)$
 $\langle g_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Tun}_0(\star) \Rightarrow \bigcup g_0 = \emptyset \leftrightarrow g_0 \subseteq \{\emptyset\}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{nodes}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : \neg \text{Finite}(g_0) \vee \emptyset \in g_0$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{HGraph}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : \langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle \ \& \ \text{Finite}(\text{nodes}(g_0))$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{CardAtLeast2}) \Rightarrow \neg \text{CardAtLeast2}(\emptyset)$
 $\langle \emptyset \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \emptyset \notin g_0$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{nodes}) \Rightarrow \text{Finite}(\bigcup g_0)$
 $\langle g_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Tfin}_6(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

THEOREM hgraph₂: [Every graph edge consists of two or more nodes] $\text{HGraph}(G) \ \& \ E \in G \rightarrow E \subseteq \text{nodes}(G) \ \& \ E \not\subseteq \{V\} \ \& \ \text{CardAtLeast2}(E)$. **PROOF:**

$\text{Suppose_not}(g_0, e_0, v_0) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle g_0, e_0, g_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Tun}_2(\star) \Rightarrow e_0 \subseteq \bigcup g_0$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{nodes}(g_0)) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{HGraph}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : \langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle \ \& \ e_0 \in g_0 \ \& \ \neg(e_0 \not\subseteq \{v_0\} \ \& \ \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_0))$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_0)$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{CardAtLeast2}) \Rightarrow \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_0) \leftrightarrow e_0 \not\subseteq \{\text{arb}(e_0)\}$
 $(\text{Stat1})\text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

THEOREM hgraph₃: [Graphs induce subgraphs] $\text{HGraph}(G) \ \& \ P \subseteq G \rightarrow \text{HGraph}(P) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(P) \subseteq \text{nodes}(G)$. **PROOF:**

$\text{Suppose_not}(g_0, p_0) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Set_monot} \Rightarrow \langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle \rightarrow \langle \forall e \in p_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{HGraph}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : \text{nodes}(p_0) \not\subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0) \ \& \ g_0 = g_0 \cup p_0$
 $\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat1} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(p_0) \not\subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0 \cup p_0)$
 $\langle g_0, p_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_b(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

3.3 Edges incident to a vertex or to a set of vertices

DEF **hgraph₃**: [Edges incident to a given node] $\text{contains}(G, V) =_{\text{Def}} \{e \in G \mid V \in e\}$

DEF **hgraph₄**: [Edges touching a given set] $\text{cov}(G, P) =_{\text{Def}} \{e \in G \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(P) \neq \emptyset\}$

|| The following proposition roughly corresponds to Lemma 12 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph₄. $\text{HGraph}(P) \rightarrow \text{cov}(G, P) = \{a : e \in P, v \in e, a \in \text{contains}(G, v)\}$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(p_0, g_0) \Rightarrow AUTO

Use_def(cov) \Rightarrow Stat1 : $\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \neq \{a : e \in p_0, v \in e, a \in \text{contains}(g_0, v)\}$

$\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow$ Stat2 : $e_0 \in \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \neq e_0 \in \{a : e \in p_0, v \in e, a \in \text{contains}(g_0, v)\}$

Suppose \Rightarrow Stat3 : $e_0 \in \{a : e \in p_0, v \in e, a \in \text{contains}(g_0, v)\}$

$\langle e_1, v_1, a_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow$ Stat4 :

$e_0 \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \ \& \ e_1 \in p_0 \ \& \ v_1 \in e_1 \ \& \ e_0 \in \text{contains}(g_0, v_1)$

$\langle p_0, e_1, v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\star) \Rightarrow v_1 \in \text{nodes}(p_0)$

Use_def($\text{contains}(g_0, v_1)$) \Rightarrow AUTO

$\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat4}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow$ Stat5 : $e_0 \in \{e \in g_0 \mid v_1 \in e\} \ \& \ (e_0 \in g_0 \rightarrow v_1 \notin e_0)$

$\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat5}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow Stat6 : $e_0 \in \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \ \& \ e_0 \notin \{a : e \in p_0, v \in e, a \in \text{contains}(g_0, v)\}$

$\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat6}\star) \Rightarrow$ Stat7 : $e_0 \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset \ \& \ e_0 \notin \{a : e \in p_0, v \in e, a \in \text{contains}(g_0, v)\} \ \& \ e_0 \in g_0$

$\langle v_2, p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_e \Rightarrow$ AUTO

Use_def($\text{contains}(g_0, v_2)$) \Rightarrow AUTO

$\langle v_2, \text{edgeOf}(v_2, p_0), v_2, e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\text{Stat7}\star) \Rightarrow$ Stat8 : $e_0 \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid v_2 \in e\} \ \& \ v_2 \in e_0$

$\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat8}(\text{Stat8}, \text{Stat7}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

THEOREM hgraph₅. $\text{HGraph}(G) \rightarrow \text{cov}(G, Q) \supseteq Q \cap G$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(g_0, q_0) \Rightarrow AUTO

Use_def(cov) \Rightarrow Stat1 : $\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(q_0) \neq \emptyset\} \not\supseteq q_0 \cap g_0 \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(g_0)$

$\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow$ Stat2 : $e_0 \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(q_0) \neq \emptyset\} \ \& \ e_0 \in q_0 \cap g_0$

$\langle g_0, e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow e_0 \subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0) \ \& \ e_0 \neq \emptyset$

$\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow$ Stat3 : $e_0 \cap \text{nodes}(q_0) = \emptyset \ \& \ e_0 \in q_0$

$\langle \{e_0\}, q_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat3}\star) \Rightarrow e_0 \cap \text{nodes}(\{e_0\}) = \emptyset$

$\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_d(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 13 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph₆. $\text{cov}(G, P) \subseteq P \Leftrightarrow \text{nodes}(G \setminus P) \cap \text{nodes}(P) = \emptyset$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(g_0, p_0) \Rightarrow AUTO

Use_def($\text{cov}(g_0, p_0)$) \Rightarrow AUTO

Use_def(nodes) \Rightarrow Stat0 : $\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \bigcup p_0 \neq \emptyset\} \subseteq p_0 \neq \bigcup (g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap \bigcup p_0 = \emptyset$

Suppose \Rightarrow $Stat1 : \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap \bigcup p_0 \neq \emptyset \ \& \ \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \bigcup p_0 \neq \emptyset\} \subseteq p_0$
 Use_def($\bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0)$) \Rightarrow AUTO
 $\langle v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat1(Stat1\star) \Rightarrow Stat2 : v_0 \in \{u : v \in g_0 \setminus p_0, u \in v\} \ \& \ v_0 \in \bigcup p_0$
 $\langle e_0, v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat2(Stat1\star) \Rightarrow Stat3 : e_0 \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \bigcup p_0 \neq \emptyset\} \ \& \ e_0 \in g_0 \ \& \ v_0 \in e_0$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat3(Stat2\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge $\Rightarrow Stat4 : \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \bigcup p_0 \neq \emptyset\} \not\subseteq p_0 \ \& \ \bigcup(g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap \bigcup p_0 = \emptyset$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat4(Stat4\star) \Rightarrow Stat5 : e_1 \in \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \bigcup p_0 \neq \emptyset\} \ \& \ e_1 \notin p_0$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat5(Stat5\star) \Rightarrow e_1 \in g_0 \ \& \ e_1 \cap \bigcup p_0 \neq \emptyset$
 $\langle g_0 \setminus p_0, e_1, g_0 \setminus p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Tun_2(Stat4\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 14 of [CO14], which it slightly generalizes.

THEOREM hgraph₇. $nodes(G) \supseteq nodes(F) \ \& \ HGraph(F) \ \& \ F \supseteq P \ \& \ P \neq \emptyset \rightarrow cov(G, P) \neq \emptyset$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(g_0, f_0, p_0) $\Rightarrow Stat0 : p_0 \neq \emptyset \ \& \ f_0 \supseteq p_0 \ \& \ HGraph(f_0) \ \& \ nodes(g_0) \supseteq nodes(f_0) \ \& \ cov(g_0, p_0) = \emptyset$
 $\langle f_0, p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_3(\star) \Rightarrow HGraph(p_0) \ \& \ nodes(p_0) \subseteq nodes(f_0)$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat0(\star) \Rightarrow e_0 \in p_0$
 $\langle p_0, e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_2(\star) \Rightarrow Stat1 : e_0 \neq \emptyset \ \& \ e_0 \subseteq nodes(p_0) \ \& \ e_0 \subseteq nodes(f_0)$
 $\langle v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat1(\star) \Rightarrow v_0 \in nodes(p_0) \ \& \ v_0 \in nodes(g_0)$
 $\langle v_0, g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_e(Stat1\star) \Rightarrow v_0 \in edgeOf(v_0, g_0) \ \& \ edgeOf(v_0, g_0) \in g_0$
 Use_def(cov) $\Rightarrow Stat2 : \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap nodes(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} = \emptyset$
 $\langle edgeOf(v_0, g_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat2(Stat1\star) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

3.4 Vertex removal

DEF hgraph₅: [Filtering out of a graph the edges incident to a fixed vertex] $filter(G, V) =_{Def} \{e \setminus \{V\} : e \in G \mid CardAtLeast2(e \setminus \{V\})\}$

|| The following proposition roughly corresponds to Lemma 15 of [CO14], which it slightly enriches.

THEOREM hgraph₈: [Filtering transforms graphs into graphs and eliminates at least the operand vertex]

$contains(G, V) \subseteq G \ \& \ nodes(filter(G, V)) \subseteq nodes(G) \setminus \{V\} \ \& \ (HGraph(G) \rightarrow HGraph(filter(G, V)))$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(g_0, v_0) \Rightarrow AUTO
 Suppose $\Rightarrow contains(g_0, v_0) \not\subseteq g_0$
 Set_monot $\Rightarrow \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} \subseteq \{e : e \in g_0\}$
 Use_def($contains(g_0, v_0)$) \Rightarrow AUTO
 Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO
 Suppose $\Rightarrow nodes(filter(g_0, v_0)) \not\subseteq nodes(g_0) \setminus \{v_0\}$
 Use_def($nodes$) $\Rightarrow \bigcup filter(g_0, v_0) \not\subseteq \bigcup g_0 \setminus \{v_0\}$
 Use_def($filter$) $\Rightarrow Stat1 : \bigcup \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid CardAtLeast2(e \setminus \{v_0\})\} \not\subseteq \bigcup g_0 \setminus \{v_0\}$
 Use_def($\bigcup \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid CardAtLeast2(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$) \Rightarrow AUTO

$\langle v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : v_1 \in \{u : v \in \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}, u \in v\} \ \& \ v_1 \notin \bigcup g_0 \setminus \{v_0\}$
SIMPLF $\langle \text{Stat2}\star \rangle \Rightarrow \text{Stat3} : v_1 \in \{u : e \in g_0, u \in e \setminus \{v_0\} \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
Use_def($\bigcup g_0$) \Rightarrow **AUTO**
 $\langle e_1, u_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : v_1 \notin \{u : e \in g_0, u \in e\} \ \& \ e_1 \in g_0 \ \& \ v_1 \in e_1$
 $\langle e_1, v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat4}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{Stat5} : \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0)) \subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0) \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(g_0) \ \& \ \neg \text{HGraph}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0))$
 $\langle g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_1 \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**
Use_def(**HGraph**) \Rightarrow $\text{Finite}(\text{nodes}(g_0)) \ \& \ \langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle \ \& \ \neg \left(\text{Finite}(\text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0))) \ \& \ \langle \forall e \in \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle \right)$
Suppose \Rightarrow $\neg \text{Finite}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0))$
Use_def(**filter**) \Rightarrow $\neg \text{Finite}(\{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\})$
Set_monot \Rightarrow $\{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\} \subseteq \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0\}$
APPLY $\langle \rangle$ **finitelimage**($s_0 \mapsto g_0, f(X) \mapsto X \setminus \{v_0\}$) \Rightarrow $\text{Finite}(\{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0\})$
 $\langle \text{Stat5} \rangle \text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \neg \langle \forall e \in \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle$
Use_def(**filter**) \Rightarrow $\text{Stat6} : \neg \langle \forall a \in \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\} \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(a) \rangle$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat6}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat7} : e_0 \in \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\} \ \& \ \neg \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_0)$
 $\langle e \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat7} \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat7} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow$ **QED**

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 16 of [CO14].

THEOREM **hgraph₉**: [Covering splitting rule] $\text{HGraph}(G) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(G, V)) = \text{nodes}(G) \setminus \{V\} \ \& \ P \subseteq \text{filter}(G, V) \rightarrow \text{cov}(G, P) \cup \text{cov}(G, \text{filter}(G, V) \setminus P) = G$. **PROOF**:

Suppose_not(g_0, v_0, p_0) \Rightarrow **AUTO**
Use_def(**cov**) \Rightarrow $\text{Stat1} : \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \cup \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \neq g_0$
Set_monot \Rightarrow $\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \subseteq \{e \in g_0 \mid \text{true}\}$
Set_monot \Rightarrow $\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \subseteq \{e \in g_0 \mid \text{true}\}$
TELEM \Rightarrow $\{e \in g_0 \mid \text{true}\} = g_0$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : e_0 \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \ \& \ e_0 \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \ \& \ e_0 \in g_0$
 $\langle e_0, e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow e_0 \cap (\text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cup \text{nodes}(p_0)) = \emptyset$
EQUAL \Rightarrow $\text{Stat3} : \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0 \cup p_0 = \text{filter}(g_0, v_0)$
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat3} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0 \cup p_0) = \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0))$
 $\langle p_0, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_6(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : e_0 \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0)) = \emptyset$
 $\langle g_0, e_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\star) \Rightarrow e_0 \subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0) \ \& \ e_0 \not\subseteq \{v_0\} \ \& \ \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0)) \cup \{v_0\} = \text{nodes}(g_0)$
 $\langle g_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_8(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow$ **QED**

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 6 of [CO14].

THEOREM **hgraph₁₀**: [Basic promoter of the equivalence between connectivity and path connectivity]

$\text{HGraph}(G) \ \& \ P \subseteq \text{filter}(G, V) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(P) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(G, V) \setminus P) = \emptyset \rightarrow \langle \forall e \in G \mid \emptyset \in \{\text{nodes}(P) \cap e, \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(G, V) \setminus P) \cap e\} \rangle$. **PROOF**:

Suppose_not(g_0, p_0, v_0) \Rightarrow **AUTO**

ELEM \Rightarrow $Stat0: \neg \langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \emptyset \in \{ \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap e, \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cap e \} \rangle$
Use_def($\text{filter}(g_0, v_0)$) \Rightarrow **AUTO**
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat0(*) \Rightarrow Stat1: \emptyset \neq \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cap e_0 \ \& \ \emptyset \neq \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap e_0 \ \& \ e_0 \in g_0 \ \& \ p_0 \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) = \emptyset \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(g_0)$
Use_def(HGraph) $\Rightarrow Stat2: \langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle$
 $\langle p_0, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_c(Stat0*) \Rightarrow Stat3: \langle \forall e \in \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \mid \emptyset \in \{ \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap e, \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cap e \} \rangle$
 $\langle g_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_s \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**
Suppose $\Rightarrow e_0 \setminus \{v_0\} = e_0$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat2(Stat1*) \Rightarrow \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_0)$
EQUAL $\Rightarrow \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_0 \setminus \{v_0\})$
Suppose $\Rightarrow Stat4: e_0 \notin \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat4(Stat1*) \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** $\Rightarrow e_0 \in \text{filter}(g_0, v_0)$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat3(Stat1*) \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **AUTO**
 $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat1(Stat1, Stat1*) \Rightarrow Stat5: v_1 \in \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cap e_0 \ \& \ v_2 \in \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap e_0$
 $\langle p_0, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_a(Stat1*) \Rightarrow v_0 \notin \text{nodes}(p_0)$
 $\langle \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_a(Stat3*) \Rightarrow v_0 \neq v_1 \ \& \ v_0 \neq v_2$
Loc_def $\Rightarrow e_1 = e_0 \setminus \{v_0\}$
Suppose $\Rightarrow e_1 \notin \text{filter}(g_0, v_0)$
Use_def(CardAtLeast2) $\Rightarrow \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_0 \setminus \{v_0\})$
Use_def(filter) $\Rightarrow Stat6: e_1 \notin \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat6(Stat1*) \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **AUTO**
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat3(Stat5*) \Rightarrow Stat7: \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset$
 $(Stat1, Stat7*)$ **Discharge** \Rightarrow **QED**

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 17 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph_{11} : [Variant of the basic promotor of the equivalence between connectivity and path connectivity]

$\text{HGraph}(G) \ \& \ P \subseteq \text{filter}(G, V) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(P) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(G, V) \setminus P) = \emptyset \rightarrow \text{cov}(G, P) \cap \text{cov}(G, \text{filter}(G, V) \setminus P) = \emptyset$. **PROOF**:

Suppose_not(g_0, p_0, v_0) \Rightarrow **AUTO**
Use_def(cov) $\Rightarrow Stat1: \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \cap \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \neq \emptyset$
 $\langle g_0, p_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_{10} \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat1(*) \Rightarrow Stat2:$
 $e_0 \in \{e : e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \ \& \ e_0 \in \{e : e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \ \& \ \langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \emptyset \in \{ \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap e, \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cap e \} \rangle$
 $\langle e_1, e_2, e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat2(Stat2*) \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **QED**

3.5 Connectivity

DEF hgraph_6 : [Connectivity] $\text{Conn}(G) \leftrightarrow_{\text{Def}} \text{HGraph}(G) \ \& \ \{p \subseteq G \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(G \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \subseteq \{\emptyset, G\}$

DEF **hgraph₇**: [Nodes of a graph that get ‘accidentally’ lost in consequence of filtering] $\text{lost}(G, V) \stackrel{=_{\text{Def}}}{=} \text{nodes}(G) \setminus (\text{nodes}(\text{filter}(G, V)) \cup \{V\})$

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 7 of [CO14].

THEOREM **hgraph₁₂**: [Covering disjointness rule] $\text{Conn}(G) \ \& \ P \subseteq \text{filter}(G, V) \ \& \ P \notin \{\emptyset, \text{filter}(G, V)\} \ \& \ V \in \text{nodes}(G) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(P) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(G, V) \setminus P) = \emptyset \ \& \ \text{lost}(G, V) = \emptyset \rightarrow$
 $\text{nodes}(\text{cov}(G, P)) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{cov}(G, \text{filter}(G, V) \setminus P)) = \{V\}$. **PROOF:**

Suppose $\text{not}(g_0, p_0, v_0) \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**

Use_def(Conn) $\Rightarrow \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \subseteq \{\emptyset, g_0\} \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(g_0)$

$\langle g_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_8 \Rightarrow$ **Stat0**: **AUTO**

Use_def(lost) \Rightarrow **Stat1**: $\text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0)) = \text{nodes}(g_0) \setminus \{v_0\} \ \& \ v_0 \in \text{nodes}(g_0)$

$\langle g_0, v_0, p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_9(\star) \Rightarrow \text{cov}(g_0, p_0) \cup \text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) = g_0$

$\langle g_0, p_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{11}(\star) \Rightarrow$ **Stat2**: $\text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) = g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, p_0)$

Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{nodes}(\text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0)) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{cov}(g_0, p_0)) = \emptyset$

EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat2} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, p_0)) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{cov}(g_0, p_0)) = \emptyset$

Suppose \Rightarrow **Stat3**: $\text{cov}(g_0, p_0) \notin \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\}$

$\langle g_0, p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_6 \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**

$\langle p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\star) \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **Stat4**: $p_0 \neq \emptyset \ \& \ \text{cov}(g_0, p_0) \in \{\emptyset, g_0\}$

Use_def(filter(g_0, v_0)) \Rightarrow **AUTO**

Use_def(cov(g_0, p_0)) \Rightarrow **AUTO**

$\langle g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0), p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_7(\star) \Rightarrow$ **Stat6**: $\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \neq p_0 \ \& \ \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} = g_0$

$\langle e' \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\star) \Rightarrow e' \in \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \ \& \ e' \notin p_0$

$\langle \text{filter}(g_0, v_0), \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_3(\star) \Rightarrow \text{HGraph}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0)$

$\langle \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0, e' \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\star) \Rightarrow e' \neq \emptyset \ \& \ e' \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) = \emptyset$

Use_def(filter) \Rightarrow **Stat7**: $e' \in \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$

$\langle \text{eq} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\text{Stat6}\star) \Rightarrow$ **Stat8**: $\text{eq} \in \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \ \& \ e' = \text{eq} \setminus \{v_0\}$

$\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat8}(\text{Stat6}\star) \Rightarrow v_0 \in \text{nodes}(p_0)$

$\langle p_0, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\star) \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(p_0) \subseteq \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0))$

$(\text{Stat0}\star)$ **Discharge** \Rightarrow **AUTO**

Use_def(cov) \Rightarrow **Stat9**: $\text{nodes}(\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\}) \cap \text{nodes}(\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\}) \not\subseteq \{v_0\}$

$\langle v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat9}(\text{Stat9}\star) \Rightarrow$ **Stat10**: $v_1 \in \text{nodes}(\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\}) \ \& \ v_1 \in \text{nodes}(\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\}) \ \& \ v_1 \neq v_0$

Loc_def $\Rightarrow e_1 = \text{edgeOf}(v_1, \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\}) \ \& \ e_2 = \text{edgeOf}(v_1, \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\})$

$\langle v_1, \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_e(\text{Stat10}\star) \Rightarrow$ **Stat11**: $e_1 \in \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \ \& \ v_1 \in e_1 \ \& \ e_1 \subseteq \text{nodes}(\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\})$

$\langle v_1, \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_e(\text{Stat10}\star) \Rightarrow$ **Stat12**: $e_2 \in \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \ \&$

$v_1 \in e_2 \ \& \ e_2 \subseteq \text{nodes}(\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\})$

Suppose $\Rightarrow \neg(e_1 \subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0) \ \& \ e_2 \subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0))$

Set_monot $\Rightarrow \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \subseteq \{e \in g_0 \mid \text{true}\}$

Set_monot $\Rightarrow \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\} \subseteq \{e \in g_0 \mid \text{true}\}$
TELEM $\Rightarrow \{e \in g_0 \mid \text{true}\} = g_0$
 $\langle \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\}, g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat12}\star) \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset\}) \subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0)$
 $\langle \{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\}, g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat12}\star) \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(\{e \in g_0 \mid e \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset\}) \subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0)$
(Stat11*)Discharge $\Rightarrow \text{Stat13} : e_1 \subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0) \ \& \ e_2 \subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0) \ \& \ v_1 \in e_1 \cap e_2 \cap \text{nodes}(g_0) \ \& \ \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0 \cup p_0 = \text{filter}(g_0, v_0)$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat11}(\text{Stat11}\star) \Rightarrow e_1 \in g_0 \ \& \ e_1 \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat12}(\text{Stat12}\star) \Rightarrow e_2 \in g_0 \ \& \ e_2 \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset$
(Stat1, Stat1*)ELEM $\Rightarrow \text{nodes}(g_0) = \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0)) \cup \{v_0\}$
 $\langle \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0, p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_b(\text{Stat12}\star) \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0 \cup p_0) = \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cup \text{nodes}(p_0)$
EQUAL $\Rightarrow \text{nodes}(g_0) = \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cup \text{nodes}(p_0) \cup \{v_0\}$
 $\langle g_0, p_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{10}(\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat14} : \langle \forall e \in g_0 \mid \emptyset \in \{\text{nodes}(p_0) \cap e, \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cap e\} \rangle$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat14} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle e_2 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat14} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
(Stat13*)ELEM $\Rightarrow v_1 \in e_1 \cap e_2 \cap \{v_0\}$
(Stat9*)Discharge $\Rightarrow \text{QED}$

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 18 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph₁₃. $\text{nodes}(Q) \cap \text{nodes}(G \setminus Q) = \emptyset \ \& \ P \subseteq G \ \& \ \text{Conn}(P) \rightarrow P \subseteq G \setminus Q \vee P \subseteq Q$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(q_0, g_0, p_0) $\Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : p_0 \not\subseteq g_0 \setminus q_0 \ \& \ p_0 \not\subseteq q_0 \ \& \ \text{nodes}(q_0) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus q_0) = \emptyset \ \& \ p_0 \subseteq g_0 \ \& \ \text{Conn}(p_0)$
Use_def($\text{Conn}(p_0)$) $\Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle e_0, e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : p_0 \setminus q_0 \notin \{p \subseteq p_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \ \& \ p_0 \setminus (p_0 \setminus q_0) \subseteq q_0 \ \& \ p_0 \setminus q_0 \subseteq g_0 \setminus q_0$
 $\langle p_0 \setminus q_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus q_0) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus (p_0 \setminus q_0)) \neq \emptyset$
 $\langle p_0 \setminus (p_0 \setminus q_0), q_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle p_0 \setminus q_0, g_0 \setminus q_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat3} : \text{nodes}(q_0) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus q_0) \neq \emptyset$
(Stat3, Stat1*)Discharge $\Rightarrow \text{QED}$

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 19 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph₁₄. $\text{Conn}(P \cup Q) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(P) \cap \text{nodes}(Q) = \{V\} \rightarrow \text{Conn}(P)$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(p_0, q_0, v_0) $\Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
Use_def(Conn) $\Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : \{p \subseteq p_0 \cup q_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \cup q_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \subseteq \{\emptyset, p_0 \cup q_0\} \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(p_0 \cup q_0)$
Use_def($\text{Conn}(p_0)$) $\Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle p_0 \cup q_0, p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_3(\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : \{p \subseteq p_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \not\subseteq \{\emptyset, p_0\} \ \& \ \text{Conn}(p_0 \cup q_0) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap \text{nodes}(q_0) = \{v_0\}$
 $\langle p_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat3} : p_1 \in \{p \subseteq p_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \ \& \ p_1 \neq p_0 \ \& \ p_1 \neq \emptyset$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat3}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : p_0 \setminus p_1 \cup p_1 = p_0 \ \& \ \text{nodes}(p_1) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus p_1) = \emptyset$
 $\langle p_0 \setminus p_1, p_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_b \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat2} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{Stat5} : \{v_0\} = (\text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus p_1) \cup \text{nodes}(p_1)) \cap \text{nodes}(q_0)$
Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat6} : \neg \langle \exists p \in \{p_1, p_0 \setminus p_1\} \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(q_0) = \emptyset \rangle$

$\langle p_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat6} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle p_0 \setminus p_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat4}^*) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{Stat7}: \langle \exists p \in \{p_1, p_0 \setminus p_1\} \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(q_0) = \emptyset \rangle$
 $\langle p_2 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\text{Stat7}^*) \Rightarrow \text{Stat8}: p_2 \in \{p_1, p_0 \setminus p_1\} \ \& \ \text{nodes}(p_2) \cap \text{nodes}(q_0) = \emptyset$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(p_2) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus p_2) \neq \emptyset$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow p_2 = p_1$
 $\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat4} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow p_2 = p_0 \setminus p_1 \ \& \ p_1 = p_0 \setminus (p_0 \setminus p_1)$
 $\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat5} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{Stat9}: \text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus p_1) \cap \text{nodes}(p_1) \neq \emptyset$
 $(\text{Stat4}, \text{Stat9}^*) \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow \text{Stat10}: p_2 \cap q_0 \neq \emptyset$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat10}(\text{Stat4}, \text{Stat8}, \text{Stat10}^*) \Rightarrow e_0 \in p_0 \ \& \ e_0 \in q_0$
 $\langle p_0 \cup q_0, p_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_3(\text{Stat1}, \text{Stat1}^*) \Rightarrow \text{HGraph}(p_0)$
 $\langle p_0, e_0, v_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat10}^*) \Rightarrow e_0 \subseteq \text{nodes}(p_0) \ \& \ e_0 \not\subseteq \{v_0\}$
 $\langle p_0 \cup q_0, q_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_3(\text{Stat1}, \text{Stat1}^*) \Rightarrow \text{HGraph}(q_0)$
 $\langle q_0, e_0, v_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat10}^*) \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap \text{nodes}(q_0) \neq \{v_0\}$
 $\text{EQUAL} \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle p_0 \setminus p_2, q_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_b \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $(\text{Stat8}^*) \text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat11}: \emptyset = \text{nodes}(p_2) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus p_2 \cup q_0) \ \& \ p_0 \setminus p_2 \cup q_0 = p_0 \cup q_0 \setminus p_2$
 $\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat11} \rangle \Rightarrow \emptyset = \text{nodes}(p_2) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \cup q_0 \setminus p_2)$
 $(\text{Stat8}, \text{Stat3}, \text{Stat4}, \text{Stat1}^*) \text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat12}: p_2 \notin \{p \subseteq p_0 \cup q_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \cup q_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \ \& \ p_2 \subseteq p_0 \cup q_0$
 $\langle p_2 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat12}(\text{Stat11}^*) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 20 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph_{15} : $\text{HGraph}(P \cup Q) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(P) \cap \text{nodes}(Q) = \{V\} \ \& \ W \in \text{nodes}(Q) \setminus \{V\} \rightarrow P \subseteq \text{filter}(P \cup Q, W)$. **PROOF:**

$\text{Suppose_not}(p_0, q_0, v_0, w_0) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2}: p_0 \not\subseteq \text{filter}(p_0 \cup q_0, w_0) \ \& \ w_0 \in \text{nodes}(q_0) \setminus \{v_0\} \ \& \ w_0 \notin \text{nodes}(p_0) \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(p_0 \cup q_0) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap \text{nodes}(q_0) = \{v_0\}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{filter}) \Rightarrow p_0 \not\subseteq \{e \setminus \{w_0\} : e \in p_0 \cup q_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{w_0\})\}$
 $\text{Set_monot} \Rightarrow \{e \setminus \{w_0\} : e \in p_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{w_0\})\} \subseteq \{e \setminus \{w_0\} : e \in p_0 \cup q_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{w_0\})\}$
 $(\text{Stat2}^*) \text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat3}: p_0 \not\subseteq \{e \setminus \{w_0\} : e \in p_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{w_0\})\}$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat3}^*) \Rightarrow \text{Stat4}: e_1 \notin \{e \setminus \{w_0\} : e \in p_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{w_0\})\} \ \& \ e_1 \in p_0$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat4}(\text{Stat4}^*) \Rightarrow w_0 \in e_1 \vee \neg \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_1 \setminus \{w_0\})$
 $\langle p_0 \cup q_0, p_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_3(\text{Stat2}^*) \Rightarrow \text{HGraph}(p_0)$
 $\langle p_0, e_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat2}^*) \Rightarrow e_1 \setminus \{w_0\} \in p_0 \ \& \ \neg \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_1 \setminus \{w_0\})$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{HGraph}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat5}: \langle \forall e \in p_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle$
 $\langle e_1 \setminus \{w_0\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat5}(\text{Stat4}^*) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

THEOREM hgraph_{16} : [Trivial connected graphs] $(\text{HGraph}(\{E\}) \ \& \ P \subseteq \{E\} \rightarrow \text{Conn}(P)) \ \& \ \text{Conn}(\emptyset)$. **PROOF:**

$\text{Suppose_not}(e_0, p_0) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow \neg \text{Conn}(\emptyset)$
 $\langle \{\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\}, \emptyset \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_3 \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$

$\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_0 \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{Conn}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : \{p \subseteq \emptyset \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(\emptyset \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \not\subseteq \{\emptyset\}$
 $\langle q_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : q_0 \in \{p \subseteq \emptyset \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(\emptyset \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \ \& \ q_0 \neq \emptyset$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle \{e_0\}, p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_3 \Rightarrow \text{HGraph}(p_0)$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{Conn}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat6} : \{p \subseteq p_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \not\subseteq \{\emptyset, p_0\}$
 $\langle p_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat6}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat7} : p_1 \in \{p \subseteq p_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \ \& \ p_1 \notin \{\emptyset, p_0\}$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 21 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph_{17} . $\text{HGraph}(G) \ \& \ \langle \forall v \in \text{nodes}(G) \mid \text{filter}(G, v) \cap G = \emptyset \rangle \rightarrow \langle \forall v \in \text{nodes}(G) \mid \text{Conn}(\text{filter}(G, v)) \rangle$. **PROOF:**

$\text{Suppose_not}(\text{g}_0) \Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : \langle \forall v \in \text{nodes}(\text{g}_0) \mid \text{filter}(\text{g}_0, v) \cap \text{g}_0 = \emptyset \rangle \ \& \ \text{Stat2} : \neg \langle \forall v \in \text{nodes}(\text{g}_0) \mid \text{Conn}(\text{filter}(\text{g}_0, v)) \rangle \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(\text{g}_0)$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : \neg \langle \forall v \in \text{nodes}(\text{g}_0) \mid \text{contains}(\text{g}_0, v) = \text{g}_0 \rangle$
 $\langle \text{g}_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_8(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{contains}(\text{g}_0, v_0) \subseteq \text{g}_0$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{contains}(\text{g}_0, v_0)) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat4}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat5} : \text{g}_0 \not\subseteq \{e \in \text{g}_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} \ \& \ v_0 \in \text{nodes}(\text{g}_0)$
 $\langle v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow \text{filter}(\text{g}_0, v_0) \cap \text{g}_0 = \emptyset$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{filter}(\text{g}_0, v_0)) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat5}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat6} : e_0 \notin \{e \in \text{g}_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} \ \& \ e_0 \notin \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in \text{g}_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\} \ \& \ e_0 \in \text{g}_0$
 $\langle e_0, e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat6}\star) \Rightarrow e_0 = e_0 \setminus \{v_0\} \ \& \ \neg \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_0 \setminus \{v_0\})$
 $\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat6} \rangle \Rightarrow \neg \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_0)$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{HGraph}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat7} : \langle \forall e \in \text{g}_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e) \rangle$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\text{Stat6}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Loc_def} \Rightarrow e_1 = \text{edgeOf}(w, \text{g}_0)$
 $\langle w \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat8} : w \in \text{nodes}(\text{g}_0) \ \& \ \neg \text{Conn}(\text{filter}(\text{g}_0, w))$
 $\langle w, \text{g}_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_e(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat9} : e_1 \in \text{g}_0$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow \text{Stat10} : \text{g}_0 \neq \{e_1\}$
 $\langle e_2 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat10}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat11} : e_2 \neq e_1 \ \& \ \langle \forall v \in \text{nodes}(\text{g}_0) \mid \text{contains}(\text{g}_0, v) = \text{g}_0 \rangle \ \& \ e_2 \in \text{g}_0 \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(\text{g}_0)$
 $\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat11}(\text{Stat11}\star) \Rightarrow (v_1 \in e_2 \leftrightarrow v_1 \notin e_1) \ \& \ (v_1 \in \text{nodes}(\text{g}_0) \rightarrow \text{contains}(\text{g}_0, v_1) = \text{g}_0)$
 $\langle \text{g}_0, e_1, v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2 \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{contains}(\text{g}_0, v_1)) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle \text{g}_0, e_2, v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat9}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat12} : e_1, e_2 \in \{e : e \in \text{g}_0 \mid v_1 \in e\}$
 $\langle e_3, e_4 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat12}(\text{Stat11}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{filter}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat13} : \text{filter}(\text{g}_0, w) = \{e \setminus \{w\} : e \in \text{g}_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{w\})\} \ \& \ \text{g}_0 = \{e_1\}$
 $\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat1}, \text{Stat13} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{filter}(\text{g}_0, w) = \{e \setminus \{w\} : e \in \{e_1\} \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{w\})\} \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(\{e_1\})$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow \neg \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_1 \setminus \{w\})$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow \text{Stat14} : \{e \setminus \{w\} : e \in \{e_1\} \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{w\})\} \neq \emptyset$
 $\langle e_5 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat14}(\text{Stat14}\star) \Rightarrow e_5 = e_1 \ \& \ \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_5 \setminus \{w\})$

EQUAL $\langle Stat13 \rangle \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO
 $\langle e_1, filter(g_0, w) \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_{16}(Stat8^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO
 Suppose \Rightarrow Stat15: $\{e \setminus \{w\} : e \in \{e_1\} \mid CardAtLeast2(e \setminus \{w\})\} \neq \{e_1 \setminus \{w\}\}$
 $\langle e_6 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat15(Stat15^*) \Rightarrow$ $e_6 \in \{e \setminus \{w\} : e \in \{e_1\} \mid CardAtLeast2(e \setminus \{w\})\} \neq e_6 = e_1 \setminus \{w\}$
 Suppose \Rightarrow Stat16: $e_6 \notin \{e \setminus \{w\} : e \in \{e_1\} \mid CardAtLeast2(e \setminus \{w\})\}$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat16(Stat13^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO
 $(Stat15^*)ELEM \Rightarrow$ Stat17: $e_6 \in \{e \setminus \{w\} : e \in \{e_1\} \mid CardAtLeast2(e \setminus \{w\})\} \ \& \ e_6 \neq e_1 \setminus \{w\}$
 $\langle e_7 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat17(Stat17^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow $\{e \setminus \{w\} : e \in \{e_1\} \mid CardAtLeast2(e \setminus \{w\})\} = \{e_1 \setminus \{w\}\}$
 $\langle g_0, w \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_8(Stat1, Stat1^*) \Rightarrow$ HGraph(filter(g_0, w))
 EQUAL $\langle Stat13 \rangle \Rightarrow$ HGraph($\{e_1 \setminus \{w\}\}$)
 $\langle e_1 \setminus \{w\}, filter(g_0, w) \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_{16}(Stat8^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow QED

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 2 of [CO14].

THEOREM $hgraph_{18}$: [A node W other than V gets lost when V is removed from a graph iff $\{V, W\}$ is the only edge to which V belongs] HGraph(G) \rightarrow
 $(W \in lost(G, V) \leftrightarrow contains(G, W) = \{\{V, W\}\})$. **PROOF**:

Suppose_not(g_0, v_1, v_0) \Rightarrow AUTO
 Use_def(lost) \Rightarrow Stat0: HGraph(g_0) & $lost(g_0, v_0) = nodes(g_0) \setminus (nodes(filter(g_0, v_0)) \cup \{v_0\})$
 Use_def(contains) \Rightarrow $contains(g_0, v_1) = \{e \in g_0 \mid v_1 \in e\}$
 $\langle g_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_8(Stat0^*) \Rightarrow$ Stat1: $nodes(filter(g_0, v_0)) \subseteq nodes(g_0) \setminus \{v_0\}$ & HGraph(filter(g_0, v_0))
 Use_def(filter) \Rightarrow $filter(g_0, v_0) = \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid CardAtLeast2(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 Suppose \Rightarrow Stat2: $contains(g_0, v_1) \neq \{\{v_0, v_1\}\}$ & $v_1 \in lost(g_0, v_0)$
 Loc_def \Rightarrow $e_0 = edgeOf(v_1, g_0)$
 $\langle v_1, g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_e(Stat0^*) \Rightarrow$ Stat3: $v_1 \in e_0$ & $e_0 \in g_0$ & $v_1 \notin nodes(filter(g_0, v_0))$ & $v_1 \neq v_0$
 Suppose \Rightarrow Stat4: $e_0 \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid v_1 \in e\}$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat4(Stat3^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO
 Suppose \Rightarrow $v_0 \notin e_0$
 Suppose \Rightarrow Stat5: $e_0 \notin \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid CardAtLeast2(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat5(Stat3^*) \Rightarrow$ $\neg CardAtLeast2(e_0 \setminus \{v_0\})$ & $e_0 \setminus \{v_0\} = e_0$
 $\langle g_0, e_0, \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_2(Stat0^*) \Rightarrow$ CardAtLeast2(e_0)
 EQUAL $\langle Stat5 \rangle \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow Stat6: $e_0 \in filter(g_0, v_0)$
 $\langle filter(g_0, v_0), e_0, \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_2(Stat1^*) \Rightarrow$ false; Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO
 Suppose \Rightarrow $e_0 = \{v_0, v_1\}$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat2(Stat0^*) \Rightarrow$ Stat7: $e_1 \in \{e \in g_0 \mid v_1 \in e\}$ & $e_1 \neq \{v_0, v_1\}$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat7(Stat7^*) \Rightarrow$ $e_1 \in g_0$ & $v_1 \in e_1$
 $\langle filter(g_0, v_0), e_1, v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_2(Stat1^*) \Rightarrow$ Stat8: $e_1 \notin \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid CardAtLeast2(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\langle g_0, e_1, v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_2(Stat0^*) \Rightarrow$ CardAtLeast2(e_1) & $e_1 \not\subseteq \{v_1\}$
 Suppose \Rightarrow $e_1 \setminus \{v_0\} = e_1$
 EQUAL \Rightarrow CardAtLeast2($e_1 \setminus \{v_0\}$)

$\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat8}(\text{Stat7}^*) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $(\text{Stat3}^*)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow e_1 \setminus \{v_0\} \not\subseteq \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0))$
 $\langle \text{filter}(g_0, v_0), e_1 \setminus \{v_0\}, \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat1}^*) \Rightarrow \text{Stat9}: e_1 \setminus \{v_0\} \notin \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{CardAtLeast2}) \Rightarrow \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_1 \setminus \{v_0\}) \leftrightarrow e_1 \setminus \{v_0\} \not\subseteq \{\text{arb}(e_1 \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat9}(\text{Stat3}^*) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle \text{filter}(g_0, v_0), e_0 \setminus \{v_0\}, \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat1}^*) \Rightarrow \text{Stat10}: e_0 \setminus \{v_0\} \notin \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{CardAtLeast2}) \Rightarrow \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_0 \setminus \{v_0\}) \leftrightarrow e_0 \setminus \{v_0\} \not\subseteq \{\text{arb}(e_0 \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat10}(\text{Stat3}^*) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Loc_def} \Rightarrow \text{Stat11}: e_2 = \{v_0, v_1\} \ \& \ e_3 = \text{edgeOf}(v_1, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0))$
 $\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat12}: e_2 \in \{e \in g_0 \mid v_1 \in e\} \ \& \ v_1 \notin \text{nodes}(g_0) \setminus (\text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0)) \cup \{v_0\}) \ \& \ \{e \in g_0 \mid v_1 \in e\} \subseteq \{e_2\}$
 $\langle g_0, e_2, v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2 \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat12}(\text{Stat0}^*) \Rightarrow \text{Stat13}: e_2 \in g_0 \ \& \ v_0 \neq v_1 \ \& \ v_1 \in \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0))$
 $\langle v_1, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_e(\text{Stat1}^*) \Rightarrow \text{Stat14}: e_3 \in \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\} \ \& \ v_1 \in e_3$
 $\langle e_4 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat14}(\text{Stat14}^*) \Rightarrow e_3 = e_4 \setminus \{v_0\} \ \& \ e_4 \in g_0 \ \& \ \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_4 \setminus \{v_0\})$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow e_4 \neq e_2$
 $(\text{Stat12}^*)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat15}: e_4 \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid v_1 \in e\}$
 $\langle e_3 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat15}(\text{Stat13}^*) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow e_4 = e_2$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{CardAtLeast2}) \Rightarrow \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_4 \setminus \{v_0\}) \leftrightarrow e_4 \setminus \{v_0\} \not\subseteq \{\text{arb}(e_4 \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat14} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{Stat16}: e_2 \setminus \{v_0\} \not\subseteq \{\text{arb}(e_2 \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $(\text{Stat11}, \text{Stat16}^*)\text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 3 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph_{10} : [If a node belongs to exactly one edge, E , and that E is a doubleton, removal of E does not disrupt connectivity]

$\text{Conn}(G) \ \& \ \text{contains}(G, V) = \{\{V, W\}\} \rightarrow \text{Conn}(G \setminus \text{contains}(G, V))$. **PROOF:**

$\text{Suppose_not}(g_0, v_0, v_1) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle g_0, g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_3 \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{Conn}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat1}: \{p \subseteq g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \not\subseteq \{\emptyset, g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)\} \ \&$
 $\quad \text{HGraph}(g_0) \ \& \ \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \subseteq \{\emptyset, g_0\} \ \& \ \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) = \{\{v_0, v_1\}\}$
 $\langle p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2}: p_0 \in \{p \subseteq g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \ \& \ p_0 \neq \emptyset \ \& \ p_0 \neq g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat1}^*) \Rightarrow \text{Stat3}: p_0 \notin \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \ \&$
 $\quad g_0 \setminus p_0 = g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0 \cup (g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \ \& \ p_0 \subseteq g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) = \emptyset$
 $\langle p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat2}^*) \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p_0) \neq \emptyset$
 $\langle g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0, (g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_b \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat3} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap \left(\text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cup \text{nodes}((g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)) \right) \neq \emptyset$
 $(\text{Stat2}^*)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat4}: \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap \text{nodes}((g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)) \neq \emptyset$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow (g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) = \emptyset$
 $\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat3} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{Stat5}: \text{nodes}(\emptyset) \neq \emptyset$

$\langle \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_d(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{Stat6} : \{v_0, v_1\} \in g_0 \ \& \ \{v_0, v_1\} \notin p_0$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow v_0 \in \text{nodes}(p_0)$
 Set_monot $\Rightarrow \{e \in p_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} \subseteq \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\}$
 Use_def(contains) $\Rightarrow \{e \in p_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} \subseteq \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat7} : \{v_0, v_1\} \in \{e \in p_0 \mid v_0 \in e\}$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\text{Stat6}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $(\text{Stat1}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat8} : \{e \in p_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} = \emptyset$
 $\langle v_0, p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_e(\text{Stat6}\star) \Rightarrow v_0 \in \text{edgeOf}(v_0, p_0) \ \& \ \text{edgeOf}(v_0, p_0) \in p_0$
 $\langle \text{edgeOf}(v_0, p_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat8}(\text{Stat8}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow v_1 \notin \text{nodes}(p_0)$
 $\langle \{v_0, v_1\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_d \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat1} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(\text{contains}(g_0, v_0)) = \{v_0, v_1\}$
 $\langle (g_0 \setminus p_0) \cap \text{contains}(g_0, v_0), \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{Stat9} : v_1 \in \text{nodes}(p_0)$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{nodes}(p_0 \cup \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)) \neq \text{nodes}(p_0) \cup \{v_0\}$
 $\langle p_0, \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_b \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle \{v_0, v_1\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_d(\text{Stat9}\star) \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(p_0) \cup \text{nodes}(\{\{v_0, v_1\}\}) = \text{nodes}(p_0) \cup \{v_0\}$
 EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat1} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}$
 Discharge $\Rightarrow \text{nodes}(p_0 \cup \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)) = \text{nodes}(p_0) \cup \{v_0\} \ \& \ \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cap (\text{nodes}(p_0) \cup \{v_0\}) = \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cap \{v_0\} \ \& \ g_0 \setminus (p_0 \cup \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)) = g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0$
 EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat6} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{Stat11} : \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus (p_0 \cup \text{contains}(g_0, v_0))) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0 \cup \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)) = \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cap \{v_0\}$
 Use_def(contains(g_0, v_0)) $\Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow v_0 \in \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0)$
 $\langle g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0, g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat11}\star) \Rightarrow v_0 \in \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0))$
 $\langle v_0, g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_e(\text{Stat11}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat12} : \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)) \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} \ \& \ \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)) \in g_0 \ \& \ v_0 \in \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0))$
 $\langle \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat12}(\text{Stat12}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $(\text{Stat11}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(p_0 \cup \text{contains}(g_0, v_0)) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus (p_0 \cup \text{contains}(g_0, v_0))) = \emptyset$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat13} : p_0 \cup \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \notin \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\}$
 $\langle p_0 \cup \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat13}(\text{Stat11}\star) \Rightarrow p_0 \cup \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) \not\subseteq g_0$
 $\langle g_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_s(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{Stat14} : \text{AUTO}$
 $(\text{Stat1}, \text{Stat2}, \text{Stat6}, \text{Stat14}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 4 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph₂₀: [Removal of a node that belongs to exactly one edge does not disrupt connectivity] $\text{Conn}(G) \ \& \ \text{contains}(G, V) = \{E\} \rightarrow \text{Conn}(\text{filter}(G, V))$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not(g_0, v_0, e_0) $\Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$

Use_def(contains(g_0, v_0)) $\Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$

Use_def(filter) $\Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : e_0 \in \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} \ \& \ \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} \subseteq \{e_0\} \ \& \ \text{Conn}(g_0) \ \& \ \neg \text{Conn}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0)) \ \& \ \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) = \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$

$\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : e_0 \in g_0 \ \& \ v_0 \in e_0$
Use_def(Conn) $\Rightarrow \text{HGraph}(g_0) \ \& \ \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \subseteq \{\emptyset, g_0\}$
 $\langle g_0, e_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat3} : e_0 \not\subseteq \{v_0\}$
Suppose $\Rightarrow \neg \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_0 \setminus \{v_0\})$
Use_def(CardAtLeast2) $\Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : e_0 \setminus \{v_0\} \subseteq \{\text{arb}(e_0 \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\langle v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow e_0 = \{v_0, v_1\}$
Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat5} : \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\} \neq g_0 \setminus \{e_0\}$
 $\langle e' \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat5} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat6} : e' \in \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow e' = e_1 \setminus \{v_0\} \ \& \ e_1 \in g_0 \ \& \ \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_1 \setminus \{v_0\}) \ \& \ e' \notin g_0 \setminus \{e_0\}$
Suppose $\Rightarrow e_1 = e_0$
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat3} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $(\text{Stat1}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat7} : e_1 \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\}$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\text{Stat6}\star) \Rightarrow e_1 = e_0$
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat3} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $(\text{Stat1}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat8} : e' \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} \ \& \ e' \notin \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\} \ \& \ e' \in g_0 \setminus \{e_0\}$
 $\langle e', e' \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat8}(\text{Stat8}\star) \Rightarrow e' \setminus \{v_0\} = e' \ \& \ \neg \text{CardAtLeast2}(e' \setminus \{v_0\})$
 $\langle g_0, e', \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat2}) \Rightarrow \text{CardAtLeast2}(e')$
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat8} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) = g_0 \setminus \{e_0\}$
 $\langle g_0, v_0, v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{19}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) = \{\{v_0, v_1\}\} \rightarrow \text{Conn}(g_0 \setminus \text{contains}(g_0, v_0))$
EQUAL $\Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat9} : \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\} \neq g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \cup \{e_0 \setminus \{v_0\}\}$
 $\langle \text{eq} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat9} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat10} : \text{eq} \in \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\}$
 $\langle e_2 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat10}(\text{Stat9}\star) \Rightarrow \text{eq} = e_2 \setminus \{v_0\} \ \& \ e_2 \in g_0 \ \& \ \text{CardAtLeast2}(e_2 \setminus \{v_0\}) \ \& \ \text{eq} \notin g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \cup \{e_0 \setminus \{v_0\}\}$
Suppose $\Rightarrow e_2 = e_0$
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat3} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $(\text{Stat1}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat11} : e_2 \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\}$
 $\langle e_2 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat11}(\text{Stat10}\star) \Rightarrow e_2 = e_0$
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat3} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{Stat13} : \text{eq} \notin \{e \setminus \{v_0\} : e \in g_0 \mid \text{CardAtLeast2}(e \setminus \{v_0\})\} \ \& \ \text{eq} \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\} \ \& \ \text{eq} \in g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \cup \{e_0 \setminus \{v_0\}\}$
Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{eq} = e_0 \setminus \{v_0\}$
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat13}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle \text{eq}, \text{eq} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat13}(\text{Stat13}\star) \Rightarrow \text{eq} \setminus \{v_0\} = \text{eq} \ \& \ \neg \text{CardAtLeast2}(\text{eq} \setminus \{v_0\})$
 $\langle g_0, \text{eq}, \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat2}) \Rightarrow \text{CardAtLeast2}(\text{eq})$
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat13} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{Stat14} : \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) = g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \cup \{e_0 \setminus \{v_0\}\}$
 $\langle g_0, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_8 \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
Use_def(Conn) $\Rightarrow \text{Stat15} : \{p \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \not\subseteq \{\emptyset, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0)\}$
 $\langle p_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat15}(\text{Stat15}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat16} : p_0 \in \{p \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \ \& \ p_0 \neq \emptyset \ \& \ p_0 \neq \text{filter}(g_0, v_0)$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat16}(\text{Stat16}\star) \Rightarrow p_0 \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(p_0) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) = \emptyset$

Loc_def \Rightarrow $p_1 = \text{if } e_0 \setminus \{v_0\} \in p_0 \text{ then filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0 \text{ else } p_0 \text{ fi}$
Suppose \Rightarrow $\text{nodes}(p_1) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_1) \neq \emptyset$
Suppose \Rightarrow $p_1 = p_0$
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat16} \rangle \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **AUTO**
 $\langle \text{Stat16} \rangle$ **ELEM** \Rightarrow $p_1 = \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0 \ \& \ \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_1 = p_0$
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat16} \rangle \Rightarrow$ $\text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_0) \cap \text{nodes}(p_0) \neq \emptyset$
 $\langle \text{Stat16} \rangle$ **Discharge** \Rightarrow **AUTO**
 $\langle \text{Stat16} \rangle$ **ELEM** \Rightarrow $\text{Stat17} : p_1 \neq \emptyset \ \& \ p_1 \neq \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \ \& \ p_1 \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(p_1) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_1) = \emptyset$
Suppose \Rightarrow $v_0 \in \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \{e_0\})$
Loc_def \Rightarrow $e_4 = \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0 \setminus \{e_0\})$
 $\langle v_0, g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_e(\text{Stat17} \star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{Stat18} : v_0 \in e_4 \ \& \ e_4 \in g_0 \setminus \{e_0\}$
 $\langle \text{Stat1}, \text{Stat18} \star \rangle$ **ELEM** \Rightarrow $\text{Stat19} : e_4 \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\}$
 $\langle e_4 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat19}(\text{Stat18} \star) \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **AUTO**
Suppose \Rightarrow $\text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \setminus p_1) \neq \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p_1) \setminus \{v_0\}$
 $\langle \text{Stat2}, \text{Stat2} \star \rangle$ **ELEM** \Rightarrow $e_0 \in g_0 \ \& \ v_0 \in e_0$
 $\langle \text{Stat14} \star \rangle$ **ELEM** \Rightarrow $g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \cup \{e_0 \setminus \{v_0\}\} \setminus p_1 = g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \setminus p_1 \cup \{e_0 \setminus \{v_0\}\} \ \& \ g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \setminus p_1 \cup \{e_0\} = g_0 \setminus p_1$
 $\langle g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \setminus p_1, \{e_0 \setminus \{v_0\}\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_b \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**
 $\langle e_0 \setminus \{v_0\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_d \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**
 $\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_d \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**
 $\langle g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \setminus p_1, g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat17} \star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \setminus p_1) \cup (\text{nodes}(\{e_0\}) \setminus \{v_0\}) = \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \setminus p_1) \cup \text{nodes}(\{e_0\}) \setminus \{v_0\}$
 $\langle g_0 \setminus \{e_0\} \setminus p_1, \{e_0\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_b \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**
EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat14} \rangle \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **AUTO**
 $\langle p_1, \text{filter}(g_0, v_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat3} \star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{nodes}(p_1) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p_1) = \emptyset$
 $\langle \text{Stat2} \star \rangle$ **ELEM** \Rightarrow $\text{Stat20} : p_1 \notin \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \ \& \ p_1 \subseteq g_0 \ \& \ p_1 \neq g_0$
 $\langle p_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat20}(\text{Stat17} \star) \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **QED**

|| The following proposition reflects an initial remark, or ‘prelude’, inside the proof of
 Theorem 2 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph_{21} : [Prelude to Theorem hgraph_{22}] $\text{Conn}(G) \ \& \ W \in \text{nodes}(G) \ \& \ \neg(\exists v \in \text{nodes}(G) \mid \text{Conn}(\text{filter}(G, v))) \rightarrow$
 $\text{lost}(G, W) = \emptyset \ \& \ \text{nodes}(G) = \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(G, W)) \cup \{W\}$. **PROOF:**

Suppose_not $(g_0, w_0) \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**

Use_def $(\text{Conn}) \Rightarrow$ $\text{Stat1} : \neg(\exists v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid \text{Conn}(\text{filter}(g_0, v))) \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(g_0) \ \&$

$\{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \subseteq \{\emptyset, g_0\} \ \& \ w_0 \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \ \& \ \neg(\text{lost}(g_0, w_0) = \emptyset \ \& \ \text{nodes}(g_0) = \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0)) \cup \{w_0\})$

Suppose \Rightarrow $\text{Stat2} : \langle \exists v \mid \text{lost}(g_0, v) \neq \emptyset \rangle$

$\langle v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat2} \star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{Stat3} : \text{lost}(g_0, v_0) \neq \emptyset$

$\langle v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat3} \star) \Rightarrow$ $v_1 \in \text{lost}(g_0, v_0)$

$\langle g_0, v_1, v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{18}(\text{Stat1} \star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{contains}(g_0, v_1) = \{\{v_0, v_1\}\}$

$\langle g_0, v_1, \{v_0, v_1\} \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{20}(\star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{Conn}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_1))$

$\text{Use_def}(\text{lost}(g_0, v_0)) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle v_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat3}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : \neg \langle \exists v \mid \text{lost}(g_0, v) \neq \emptyset \rangle$
 $\langle w_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat4}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{lost}(g_0, w_0) = \emptyset$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow \text{Stat5} : \neg \langle \forall v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid \text{nodes}(g_0) = \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v)) \cup \{v\} \rangle$
 $\langle v_3 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat5}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow v_3 \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(g_0) \neq \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_3)) \cup \{v_3\}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{lost}(g_0, v_3)) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle g_0, v_3 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_8 \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle v_3 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat4}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $(\text{Stat4}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat6} : \langle \forall v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid \text{nodes}(g_0) = \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, v)) \cup \{v\} \rangle$
 $\langle w_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

|| The following proposition corresponds to Theorem 2 of [CO14].

THEOREM hgraph₂₂: [Every non-null connected graph has a vertex whose removal does not disrupt connectivity] $\text{Conn}(G) \ \& \ G \neq \emptyset \rightarrow \langle \exists v \in \text{nodes}(G) \mid \text{Conn}(\text{filter}(G, v)) \rangle$. **PROOF**:

$\text{Suppose_not}(g_0) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$

|| Arguing by contradiction, suppose that a connected non-null graph g_0 exists such that $\text{Conn}(\text{filter}(g_0, v))$ does not hold for any of its nodes v . Recall that g_0 is finite and has a non-null set of nodes.

$\text{Use_def}(\text{Conn}) \Rightarrow \text{Stat1} : \neg \langle \exists v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid \text{Conn}(\text{filter}(g_0, v)) \rangle \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(g_0) \ \& \ \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \subseteq \{\emptyset, g_0\} \ \& \ g_0 \neq \emptyset$
 $\langle g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_1(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat2} : \text{nodes}(g_0) \neq \emptyset \ \& \ \text{Finite}(g_0)$

|| Consider the set $\{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{Conn}(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid p \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, v) \rangle\}$ of all connected subgraphs of g_0 which are included in $\text{filter}(g_0, v)$ for some node v of g_0 . This set is non-null, because \emptyset belongs to it.

$\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow \text{Stat3} : \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{Conn}(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid p \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, v) \rangle\} = \emptyset$

|| In fact, \emptyset is a connected graph. Moreover, it is included in g_0 and satisfies whichever inclusion of the form $\emptyset \subseteq X$.

$\langle \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{16}(\text{Stat3}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Conn}(\emptyset)$
 $\langle \emptyset \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat3}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat4} : \neg \langle \exists v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid \emptyset \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, v) \rangle$
 $\langle v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow v_0 \in \text{nodes}(g_0)$
 $\langle v_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat4}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$

|| The finiteness of g_0 yields the finiteness of $\mathcal{P}g_0$ and, consequently, the finiteness of any subset of $\mathcal{P}g_0$: in particular, the set of subgraphs of g_0 introduced above is finite; therefore it has an inclusion-maximal element m_0 .

$\langle g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Tfin_5(Stat2\star) \Rightarrow Finite(\mathcal{P}g_0)$
 $Set_monot \Rightarrow \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid Conn(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid p \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle\} \subseteq \{x : x \subseteq g_0\}$
 $Use_def(\mathcal{P}) \Rightarrow Finite(\{p \subseteq g_0 \mid Conn(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid p \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle\})$
 $\langle \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid Conn(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid p \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle\} \rangle \hookrightarrow Tfin_4(Stat2\star) \Rightarrow$
 $Stat5 : \langle \exists m \in \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid Conn(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid p \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle\} \mid \{x \in \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid Conn(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid p \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle\} \setminus \{m\} \mid m \subseteq x\} = \emptyset \rangle$

That is, the relationship $m_0 \in \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid Conn(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid p \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle\}$ holds, and no alike relation holds for a set m strictly included in m_0 . Plainly, m_0 is a connected subgraph of g_0 and there is a node w_0 such that m_0 is also a subgraph of $filter(g_0, v)$.

$\langle m_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat5(Stat5\star) \Rightarrow Stat7 : m_0 \in \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid Conn(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid p \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle\} \ \&$
 $Stat8 : \{x \in \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid Conn(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid p \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle\} \setminus \{m_0\} \mid m_0 \subseteq x\} = \emptyset$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat7(Stat7\star) \Rightarrow Stat9 : \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid m_0 \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle \ \& \ m_0 \subseteq g_0 \ \& \ Conn(m_0)$
 $\langle w_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat9(Stat9\star) \Rightarrow w_0 \in nodes(g_0) \ \& \ m_0 \subseteq g_0 \cap filter(g_0, w_0)$

Notice that $m_0 = \emptyset$ cannot hold; for, otherwise, it would turn out that $filter(g_0, v) \cap g_0 = \emptyset$ for every node v . But then, by Theorem `hgraph17`, each graph of the form $filter(g_0, v)$, with v a node of g_0 , would be connected; however, we are working under the assumption that no such graph is connected and therefore must discard the possibility that $m_0 = \emptyset$.

$Suppose \Rightarrow Stat10 : m_0 = \emptyset$
 $Suppose \Rightarrow Stat11 : \neg \langle \forall v \in nodes(g_0) \mid filter(g_0, v) \cap g_0 = \emptyset \rangle$
 $\langle w_2 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat11(Stat11\star) \Rightarrow Stat12 : filter(g_0, w_2) \cap g_0 \neq \emptyset \ \& \ w_2 \in nodes(g_0)$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat12(Stat12\star) \Rightarrow Stat13 : e_1 \in filter(g_0, w_2) \ \& \ e_1 \in g_0$
 $\langle g_0, \{e_1\} \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_3(Stat1, Stat13\star) \Rightarrow HGraph(\{e_1\})$
 $\langle e_1, \{e_1\} \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_{16}(Stat13\star) \Rightarrow Conn(\{e_1\})$
 $\langle e_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat8(Stat7, Stat7\star) \Rightarrow Stat14 : \{e_1\} \notin \{x \in \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid Conn(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid p \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle\} \setminus \{m_0\} \mid m_0 \subseteq x\}$
 $\langle \{e_1\} \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat14(Stat10\star) \Rightarrow Stat15 : \{e_1\} \notin \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid Conn(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid p \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle\}$
 $\langle \{e_1\} \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat15(Stat13\star) \Rightarrow Stat16 : \neg \langle \exists v \in nodes(g_0) \mid \{e_1\} \subseteq filter(g_0, v) \rangle$
 $\langle w_2 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat16(Stat12\star) \Rightarrow false; \quad Discharge \Rightarrow AUTO$
 $\langle g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow Thgraph_{17}(Stat1\star) \Rightarrow Stat17 : \langle \forall v \in nodes(g_0) \mid Conn(filter(g_0, v)) \rangle$
 $\langle v_6 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat2(Stat2, Stat2\star) \Rightarrow v_6 \in nodes(g_0)$
 $\langle v_6 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat17(Stat17\star) \Rightarrow Conn(filter(g_0, v_6))$
 $\langle v_6 \rangle \hookrightarrow Stat1(Stat17\star) \Rightarrow false; \quad Discharge \Rightarrow Stat18 : AUTO$

Since $HGraph(filter(g_0, w_0))$ is not connected, $filter(g_0, w_0)$ has a strict, non-null subgraph q_0 that shares no nodes with its complementary subgraph of $filter(g_0, w_0)$. Either q_0 or its complement must include m_0 by Theorem `hgraph13`, so let q_1 be the one of these two graphs which has m_0 as a subgraph.

$\langle g_0, w_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_8 \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\text{Use_def}(\text{Conn}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0))) \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle w_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat1}(\text{Stat9}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat31} : \{p \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \not\subseteq \{\emptyset, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0)\}$
 $\langle q_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat31}(\text{Stat31}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat32} : q_0 \in \{p \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \ \& \ q_0 \notin \{\emptyset, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0)\}$
 $\langle \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat32}(\text{Stat32}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat33} : q_0 \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \ \& \ \text{nodes}(q_0) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_0) = \emptyset$
 $\langle q_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0), m_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{13}(\text{Stat9}\star) \Rightarrow m_0 \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_0 \vee m_0 \subseteq q_0$
 $\text{Loc_def} \Rightarrow q_1 = \text{if } m_0 \subseteq q_0 \text{ then } q_0 \text{ else } \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_0 \text{ fi}$
 $(\text{Stat32}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{Stat35} : q_1 \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \ \& \ q_1 \neq \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \ \& \ m_0 \subseteq q_1$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(q_1) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1) \neq \emptyset$
 $\text{Suppose} \Rightarrow q_1 = q_0$
 $\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat33} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $(\text{Stat33}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow q_1 = \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_0 \ \& \ q_0 = \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1 \ \& \ \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1) \cap \text{nodes}(q_1) \neq \emptyset$
 $\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat33} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$

Plainly $w_0 \notin \text{nodes}(q_1)$ because $w_0 \notin \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0))$. Therefore, by Theorem hgraph_9 , we have $g_0 = \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \cup \text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1)$. Moreover, $\text{lost}(g_0, w_0) = \emptyset$ holds by Theorem hgraph_{21} , and $\text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \cap \text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1) = \emptyset$ holds by Theorem hgraph_{11} . It readily follows that $\text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1) = g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1)$. Also, $\text{nodes}(\text{cov}(g_0, q_1)) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1)) = \{w_0\}$ follows from Theorem hgraph_{12} .

$\langle q_1, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat18}\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat36} : w_0 \notin \text{nodes}(q_1)$
 $\langle g_0, w_0, q_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_9 \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle g_0, w_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{21}(\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat37} : \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \cup \text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1) = g_0 \ \& \ \text{lost}(g_0, w_0) = \emptyset \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(g_0) \ \& \ \text{Conn}(g_0) \ \& \ w_0 \in \text{nodes}(g_0)$
 $\langle g_0, q_1, w_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{11}(\text{Stat32}\star) \Rightarrow \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \cap \text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1) = \emptyset$
 $(\text{Stat37}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow \text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1) = g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1)$
 $\langle g_0, q_1, w_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{12}(\text{Stat18}\star) \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(\text{cov}(g_0, q_1)) \cap \text{nodes}(\text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1)) = \{w_0\}$

We then get $\text{Conn}(\text{cov}(g_0, q_1))$ by means of Theorem hgraph_{14} .

$\text{EQUAL} \langle \text{Stat37} \rangle \Rightarrow \text{Conn}(\text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \cup \text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1))$
 $\langle \text{cov}(g_0, q_1), \text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1), w_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{14}(\star) \Rightarrow \text{Conn}(\text{cov}(g_0, q_1))$

This connected set $\text{cov}(g_0, q_1)$ will turn out to contradict the minimality of m_0 . In the first place $\text{cov}(g_0, q_1)$ includes m_0 , by Theorem hgraph_3 , and this inclusion is strict, because w_0 belongs to the nodes of $\text{cov}(g_0, q_1)$ but does not belong to the nodes of m_0 .

$\langle g_0, q_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_5(\text{Stat}9\star) \Rightarrow m_0 \subseteq \text{cov}(g_0, q_1)$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow m_0 = \text{cov}(g_0, q_1)$
 EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat}37 \rangle \Rightarrow w_0 \in \text{nodes}(m_0) \leftrightarrow w_0 \in \text{nodes}(\text{cov}(g_0, q_1))$
 $\langle m_0, q_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat}35\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$

|| In the second place, the graph $g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1)$ (which equals $\text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1)$ as already seen, is easily shown to be non-null by means of Theorem hgraph_6 .

Suppose $\Rightarrow \text{Stat}38: \text{cov}(g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1) = \emptyset$
 $\langle g_0, w_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_8 \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle g_0, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_7(\text{Stat}38\star) \Rightarrow \neg(\text{nodes}(g_0) \supseteq \text{nodes}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1) \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1) \ \& \ \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1 \neq \emptyset)$
 Suppose $\Rightarrow \neg \text{HGraph}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1)$
 $\langle \text{filter}(g_0, w_0), \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_3(\text{Stat}38\star) \Rightarrow \neg \text{HGraph}(\text{filter}(g_0, w_0))$
 $(\text{Stat}37\star)\text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \setminus q_1, \text{filter}(g_0, w_0) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat}35\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{AUTO}$
 $\langle g_0, g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_3(\text{Stat}37\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat}39: \text{HGraph}(g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1)) \ \& \ g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \neq \emptyset$

|| Thirdly, we can find a node w_1 of g_0 such that $w_1 \neq w_0$ and $w_1 \in \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1))$; then, in view of Theorem hgraph_{15} , we get $\text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, w_1)$.

$\langle e_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat}39(\text{Stat}39\star) \Rightarrow e_0 \in g_0 \ \& \ e_0 \notin \text{cov}(g_0, q_1)$
 $\langle g_0, e_0, w_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat}37\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat}40: e_0 \not\subseteq \{w_0\}$
 $\langle w_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat}40(\text{Stat}40\star) \Rightarrow w_1 \in e_0 \ \& \ w_1 \neq w_0$
 $\langle g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1), e_0, w_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat}39\star) \Rightarrow w_1 \in \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1))$
 $\langle g_0, q_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_5(\text{Stat}37, \text{Stat}37\star) \Rightarrow g_0 = \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \cup (g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1))$
 EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat}37 \rangle \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(\text{cov}(g_0, q_1)) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1)) = \{w_0\} \ \&$
 $\text{HGraph}(\text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \cup (g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1))) \ \& \ \text{filter}(\text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \cup (g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1)), w_1) = \text{filter}(g_0, w_1)$
 $\langle \text{cov}(g_0, q_1), g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1), w_0, w_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{15}(\text{Stat}40\star) \Rightarrow \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, w_1)$

|| Taken together, these properties show that $\text{cov}(g_0, q_1)$ violates the minimality of m_0 . This contradiction leads us to the desired conclusion.

$\langle \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat}8(\text{Stat}7, \text{Stat}7\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat}41: \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \notin \{x \in \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{Conn}(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid p \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, v) \rangle\} \setminus \{m_0\} \mid m_0 \subseteq x\}$
 $\langle \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat}41(\text{Stat}37\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat}42: \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \notin \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{Conn}(p) \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid p \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, v) \rangle\}$
 $\langle \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat}42(\text{Stat}37\star) \Rightarrow \text{Stat}43: \neg \langle \exists v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid \text{cov}(g_0, q_1) \subseteq \text{filter}(g_0, v) \rangle$
 $\langle g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1), g_0 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_a(\text{Stat}43\star) \Rightarrow \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \text{cov}(g_0, q_1)) \subseteq \text{nodes}(g_0)$
 $\langle w_1 \rangle \hookrightarrow \text{Stat}43(\text{Stat}40\star) \Rightarrow \text{false}; \quad \text{Discharge} \Rightarrow \text{QED}$

3.6 Cut vertices; existence of a non-cut vertex in any nonnull connected hypergraph

DEF **hgraph₈**: [Disconnecting vertex] $\text{Cutting}(G, V) \leftrightarrow_{\text{Def}} G \neq \{\text{edgeOf}(V, G)\} \ \& \ \neg(\text{Conn}(\text{filter}(G, V)) \ \& \ \text{lost}(G, V) = \emptyset)$

|| The following proposition corresponds to Lemma 5 of [CO14].

THEOREM **hgraph₂₃**: [A node that occurs in exactly one edge is not a cut vertex] $\text{Conn}(G) \ \& \ \text{contains}(G, V) = \{E\} \rightarrow \neg\text{Cutting}(G, V)$. **PROOF:**

Suppose $\neg(\text{contains}(g_0, v_0, e_0)) \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**

Use_def(**Cutting**) \Rightarrow $\text{Stat1} : \text{Conn}(g_0) \ \& \ g_0 \neq \{\text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0)\} \ \& \ \neg(\text{Conn}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0)) \ \& \ \text{lost}(g_0, v_0) = \emptyset) \ \& \ \text{contains}(g_0, v_0) = \{e_0\}$

$\langle g_0, v_0, e_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{20}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{Stat2} : \text{lost}(g_0, v_0) \neq \emptyset$

Use_def(**Conn**(g_0)) \Rightarrow **AUTO**

$\langle g_0, w_0, v_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_{18} \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**

$\langle w_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat2}(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{contains}(g_0, w_0) = \{\{v_0, w_0\}\}$

Suppose \Rightarrow $e_0 \neq \{v_0, w_0\}$

Use_def(**contains**) \Rightarrow $\text{Stat3} : \{v_0, w_0\} \in \{e : e \in g_0 \mid w_0 \in e\} \ \& \ \{v_0, w_0\} \notin \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\}$

$\langle e_1, e_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat3}(\text{Stat3}\star) \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow $\text{Stat4} : e_0 = \{v_0, w_0\}$

Suppose \Rightarrow $\text{cov}(g_0, \{e_0\}) \neq \{e_0\}$

$\langle g_0, \{e_0\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_3 \Rightarrow$ **AUTO**

$\langle g_0, v_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_8(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{HGraph}(\{e_0\})$

$\langle \{e_0\}, g_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_4(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow$ $\{a : e \in \{e_0\}, v \in e, a \in \text{contains}(g_0, v)\} \neq \{\{v_0, w_0\}\}$

SIMPLF \Rightarrow $\text{Stat5} : \{a : v \in e_0, a \in \text{contains}(g_0, v)\} \neq \{\{v_0, w_0\}\}$

Suppose \Rightarrow $\text{Stat6} : \{v_0, w_0\} \notin \{a : v \in e_0, a \in \text{contains}(g_0, v)\}$

$\langle w_0, \{v_0, w_0\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat6}(\text{Stat2}\star) \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **AUTO**

$\langle w_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat5}(\text{Stat5}\star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{Stat7} : w_1 \in \{a : v \in e_0, a \in \text{contains}(g_0, v)\} \ \& \ w_1 \neq \{v_0, w_0\}$

$\langle v_1, u_1 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat7}(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow$ $v_1 \in \{v_0, w_0\} \ \& \ w_1 \in \text{contains}(g_0, v_1)$

Suppose \Rightarrow $v_1 = v_0$

EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat1} \rangle \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow $v_1 = w_0$

EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat2} \rangle \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **AUTO**

Suppose \Rightarrow $\text{Stat8} : \{e_0\} \notin \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\}$

$\langle g_0, \{e_0\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_6(\text{Stat4}\star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{nodes}(\{e_0\}) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus \{e_0\}) = \emptyset$

$\langle \{e_0\} \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat8}(\star) \Rightarrow$ $e_0 \notin g_0$

Use_def(**contains**) \Rightarrow $\text{Stat9} : e_0 \in \{e \in g_0 \mid v_0 \in e\}$

$\langle \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Stat9}(\text{Stat8}\star) \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **AUTO**

$(\text{Stat1}\star)\text{ELEM} \Rightarrow$ $\text{Stat11} : \{e_0\} = g_0$

$\langle v_0, g_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_e(\text{Stat10}\star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{Stat10} : v_0 \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \rightarrow \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0) \in g_0$

$\langle g_0, e_0 \rangle \leftrightarrow \text{Thgraph}_2(\text{Stat1}\star) \Rightarrow$ $\text{Stat12} : e_0 = \text{edgeOf}(v_0, g_0)$

EQUAL $\langle \text{Stat1}, \text{Stat11}, \text{Stat12} \rangle \Rightarrow$ **false**; **Discharge** \Rightarrow **QED**

|| The following proof of the Corollary 1 of [CO14] also embodies the proof of the proposition named, therein, Theorem 1.

THEOREM `hgraph24`: [Every non-null connected graph has a non-cut vertex] $\text{Conn}(G) \ \& \ G \neq \emptyset \rightarrow \langle \exists v \in \text{nodes}(G) \mid \neg \text{Cutting}(G, v) \rangle$. **PROOF**:

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Suppose_not(g0) ⇒ AUTO
⟨g0⟩↔Thgraph22 ⇒ AUTO
Use_def(Conn) ⇒ Stat1 :  $\neg \langle \exists v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid \neg \text{Cutting}(g_0, v) \rangle \ \& \ \langle \exists v \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \mid \text{Conn}(\text{filter}(g_0, v)) \rangle \ \& \ \{p \subseteq g_0 \mid \text{nodes}(p) \cap \text{nodes}(g_0 \setminus p) = \emptyset\} \subseteq \{\emptyset, g_0\} \ \& \ \text{HGraph}(g_0)$ 
Use_def(Cutting(g0, v0)) ⇒ AUTO
⟨v0, v0⟩↔Stat1(Stat1*) ⇒ Stat2 :  $\text{lost}(g_0, v_0) \neq \emptyset \ \& \ v_0 \in \text{nodes}(g_0) \ \& \ \text{Conn}(\text{filter}(g_0, v_0)) \ \& \ v_0 \in \text{nodes}(g_0)$ 
⟨w0⟩↔Stat2(Stat2*) ⇒  $w_0 \in \text{lost}(g_0, v_0)$ 
Use_def(contains(g0, w0)) ⇒ AUTO
⟨g0, w0, v0⟩↔Thgraph18(*) ⇒ Stat3 :  $\{v_0, w_0\} \in \{e \in g_0 \mid w_0 \in e\} \ \& \ \text{contains}(g_0, w_0) = \{\{v_0, w_0\}\}$ 
⟨g0, w0, \{v0, w0\}⟩↔Thgraph23(*) ⇒  $\neg \text{Cutting}(g_0, w_0)$ 
⟨w0⟩↔Stat1(*) ⇒  $w_0 \notin \text{nodes}(g_0)$ 
⟨g0, \{v0, w0\}⟩↔Thgraph2(Stat1*) ⇒  $\{v_0, w_0\} \notin g_0$ 
⟨⟩↔Stat3(Stat3*) ⇒ false; Discharge ⇒ QED

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