

# Directed hypergraph connectivity augmentation by hyperarc re-orientations

Combinatorial Optimization and Graph Theory

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Side note : This article generalise the results of **Ito and al.**, as directed graphs are special case of hypergraphs.

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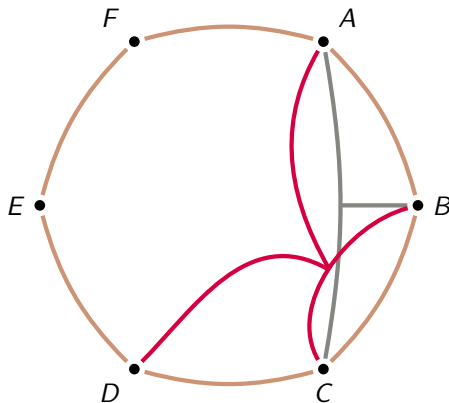




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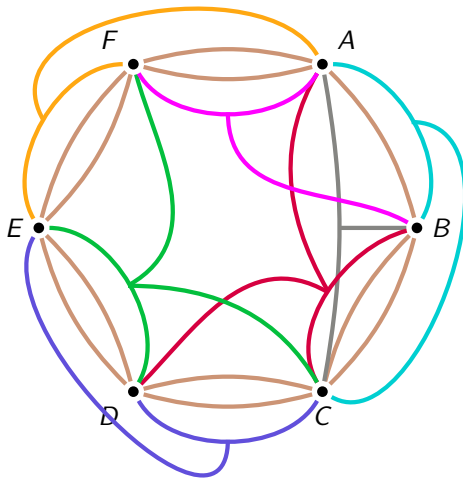


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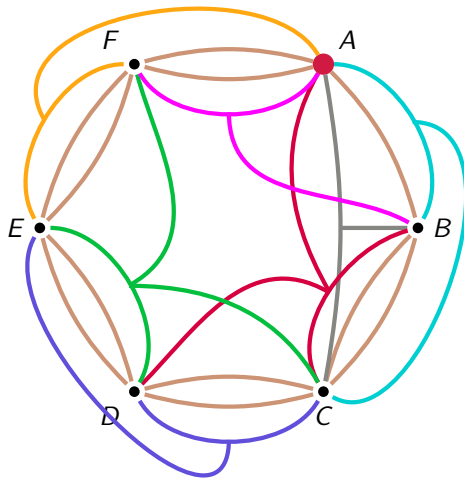
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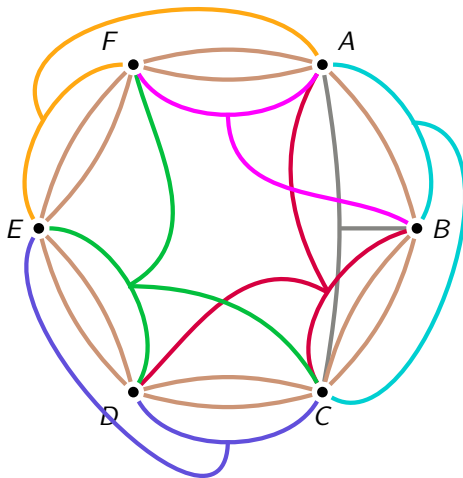


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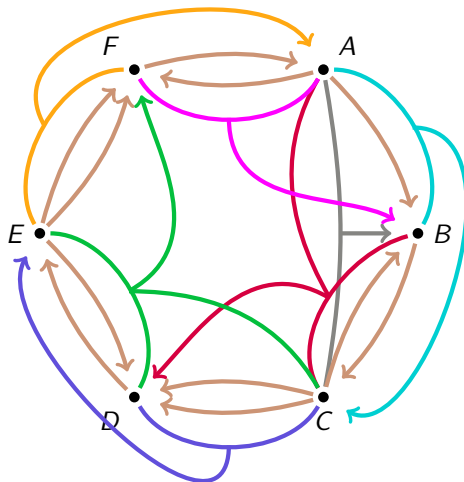
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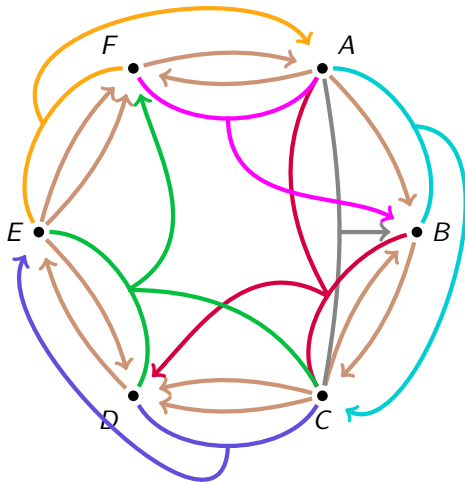
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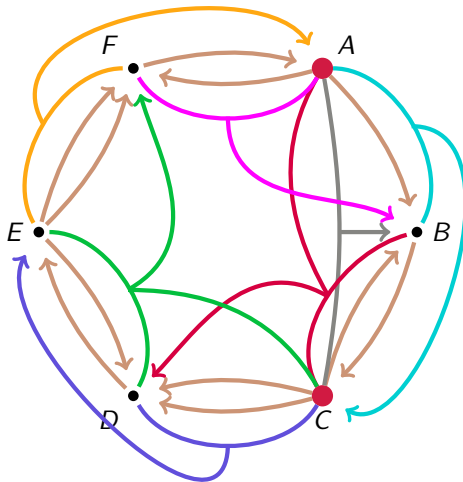
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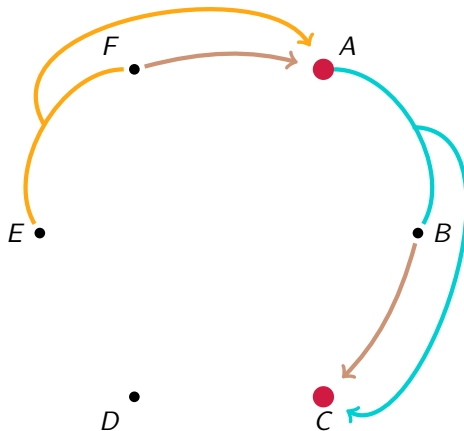
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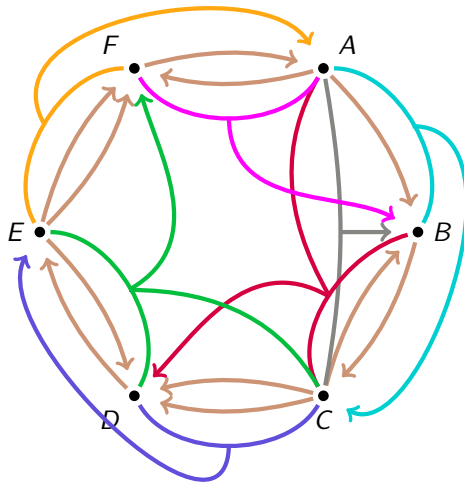
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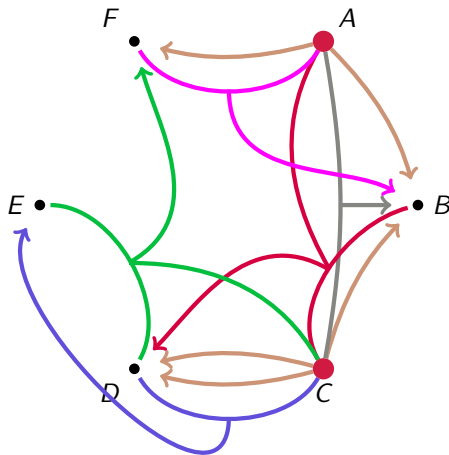
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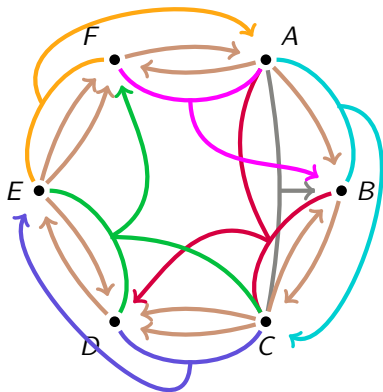
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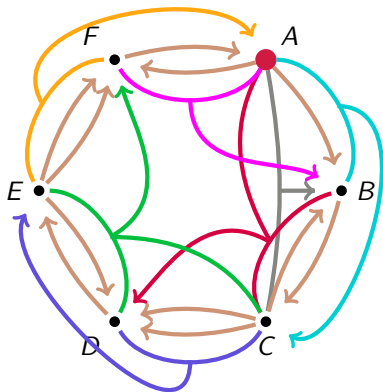
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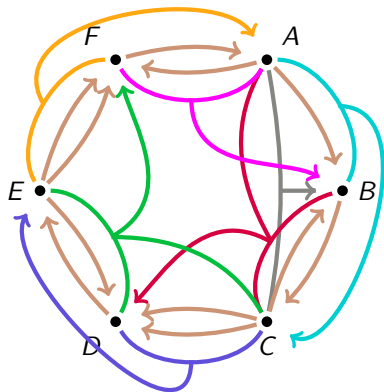


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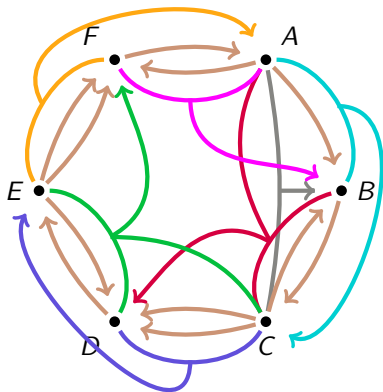
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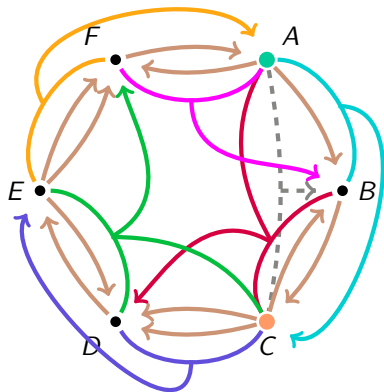
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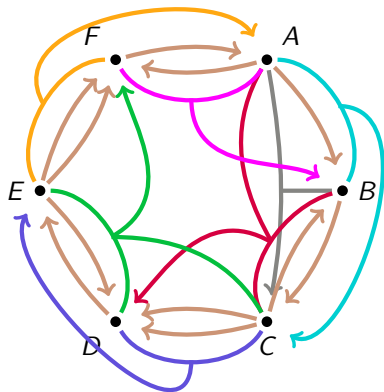
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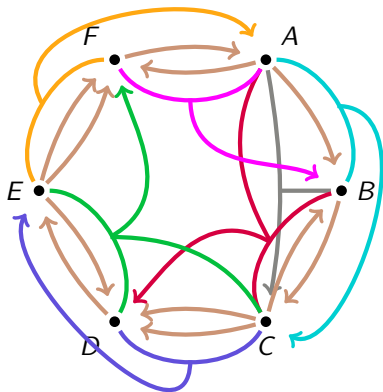
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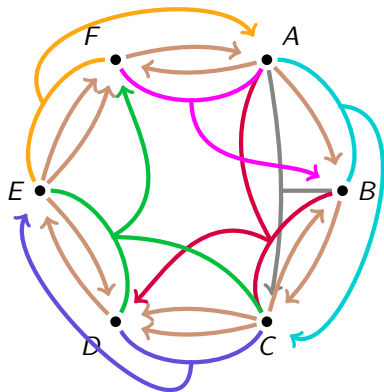
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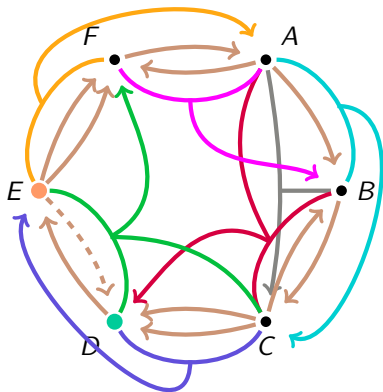
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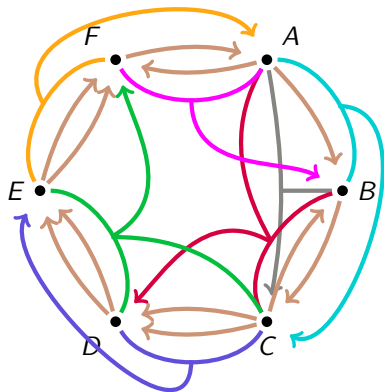


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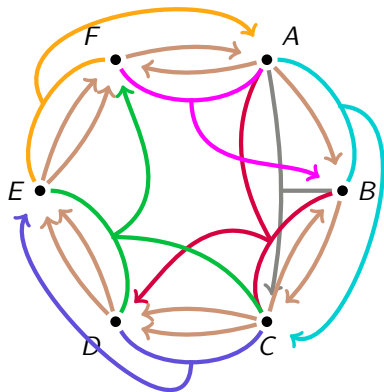
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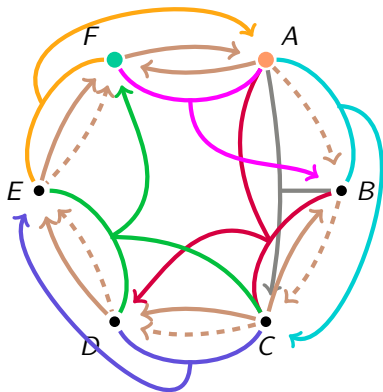
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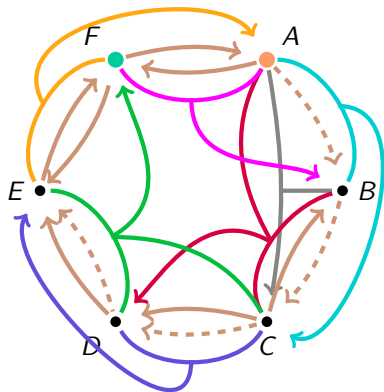
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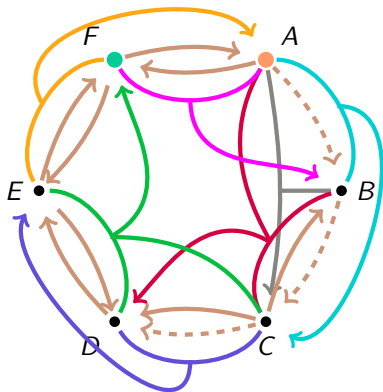
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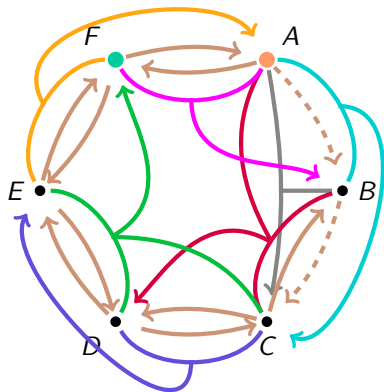
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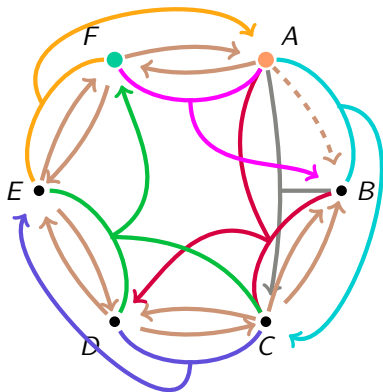
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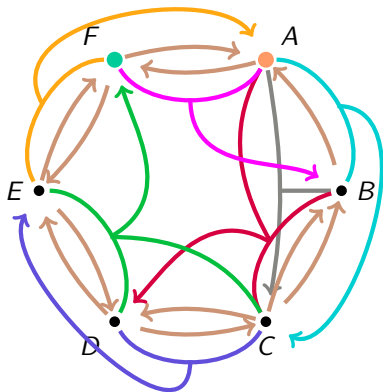
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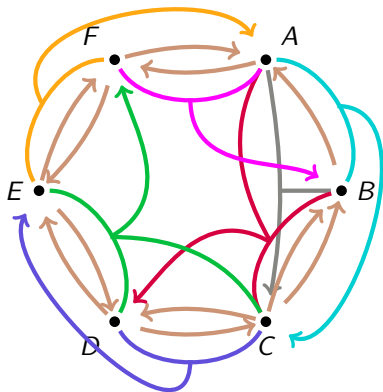


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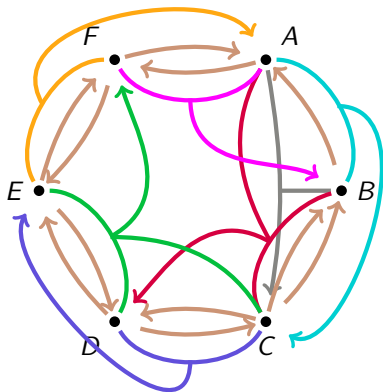
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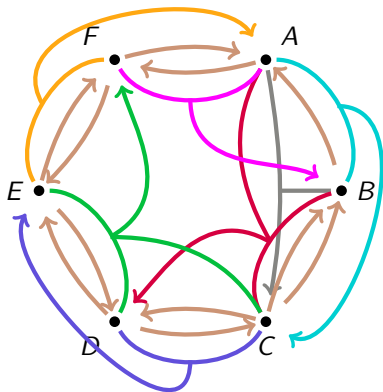
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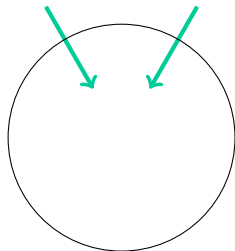
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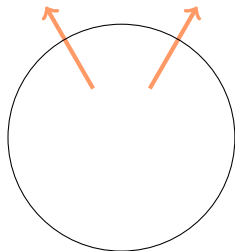
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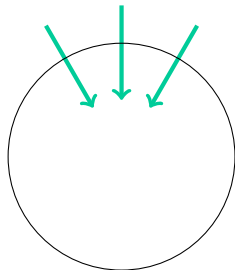
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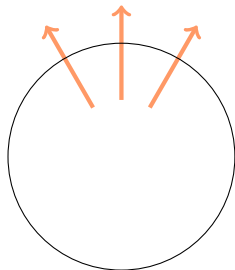
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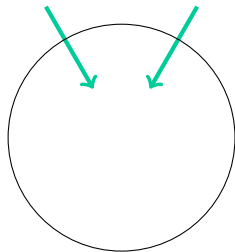
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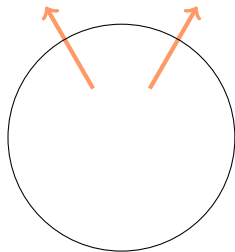
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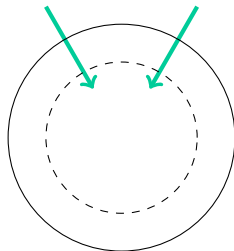
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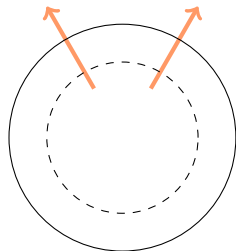
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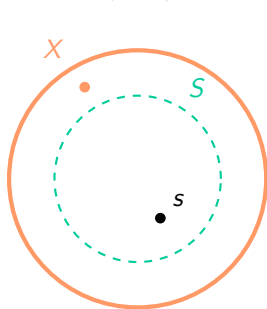
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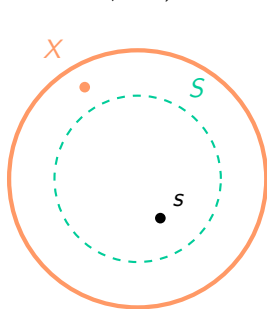
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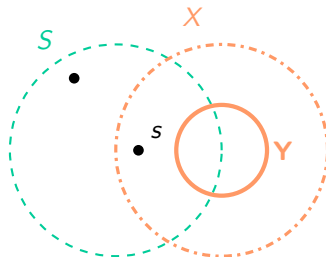
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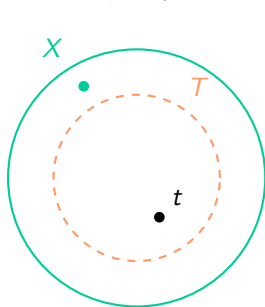
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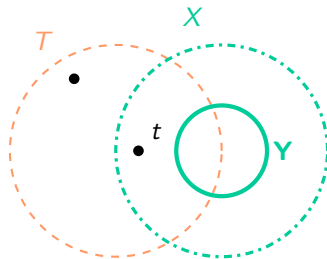
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Likewise,

## Lemma 11

$\forall T \in \mathcal{M}_+$ , there is a safe sink  $t \in T$ .

## Quick outline of a proof for Lemma 10 :

- Let  $S \in \mathcal{M}_-$ .
- Considering a family of vertex sets  $(\chi)$  that cover as many vertices of  $S$  as possible, but using as little as vertex sets possible.
- We can prove that, under given assumptions,  $\chi$  cannot cover every vertex of  $S$ .
- Vertices that are not covered by  $\chi$  are "potential" safe sources, the last part of the proof is verifying that they are effectively safe sources.

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$\mathcal{R} : R \subseteq V - r$  inclusion-wise minimal such that either :

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Point 3. is the stopping criteria for the main algorithm :

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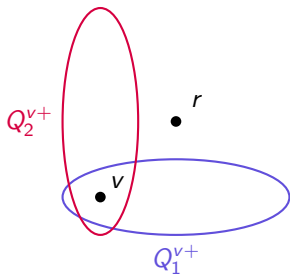
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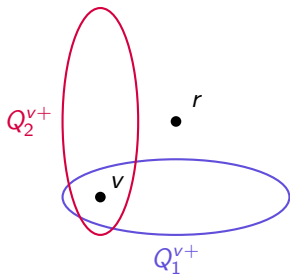
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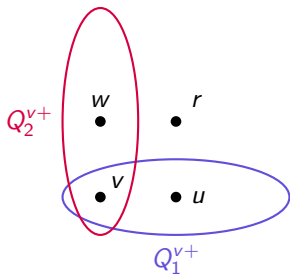
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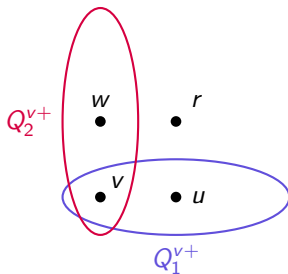
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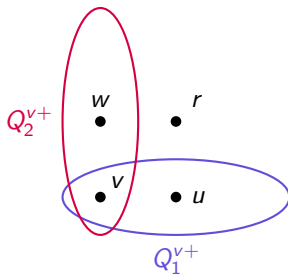
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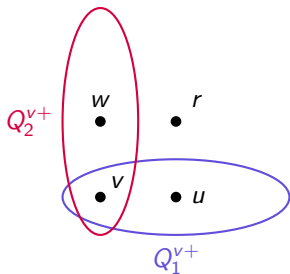
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  - 3: **while**  $h = (X, v)$  exists such that  $v \in V' - Z$  and  $X \cap Z \neq \emptyset$  **do**
  - 4:     Let  $u \in X \cap Z$ .
  - 5:      $Z \leftarrow Z \cup \{v\}$
  - 6:      $F \leftarrow F + uv$
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  - 8:          $V' \leftarrow Q_+^v$
  - 9:     **end if**
  - 10: **end while**
  - 11:  $T = V'$
  - 12: Take a safe sink  $t \in T$
  - 13:  $P' = F[s, t]$
  - 14:  $P$  is the corresponding hypergraph in  $\vec{\mathcal{H}}$  with respect to  $P'$ .
  - 15: **Return**  $S, T, s, t, P$
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