## 5.2 all\_differ\_from\_at\_least\_k\_pos

DESCRIPTION LINKS GRAPH

Origin Inspired by [177].

Constraint all\_differ\_from\_at\_least\_k\_pos(K, VECTORS)

Type VECTOR : collection(var-dvar)

Arguments K : int

VECTORS : collection(vec - VECTOR)

Restrictions required(VECTOR, var)

 $\begin{aligned} |\text{VECTOR}| &\geq 1 \\ |\text{VECTOR}| &\geq \mathsf{K} \end{aligned}$ 

 $\mathbb{K} \geq 0$ 

required(VECTORS, vec)
same\_size(VECTORS, vec)

Purpose Enforce all pairs of distinct vectors of the VECTORS collection to differ from at least K positions.

Example  $(2, \langle \text{vec} - \langle 2, 5, 2, 0 \rangle, \text{vec} - \langle 3, 6, 2, 1 \rangle, \text{vec} - \langle 3, 6, 1, 0 \rangle \rangle)$ 

The all\_differ\_from\_at\_least\_k\_pos constraint holds since:

- The first and second vectors differ from 3 positions, which is greater than or equal to
   v = 2
- ullet The first and third vectors differ from 3 positions, which is greater than or equal to  ${\tt K}=2.$
- $\bullet$  The second and third vectors differ from 2 positions, which is greater than or equal to K = 2.

Typical K > 0 |VECTORS| > 1

Symmetries • Items of VECTORS are permutable.

• Items of VECTORS.vec are permutable (same permutation used).

Arg. properties

• Contractible wrt. VECTORS.

See also

• Extensible wrt. VECTORS.vec (add items at same position).

implied by: all\_differ\_from\_exactly\_k\_pos (≥ K replaced by = K).
part of system of constraints: differ\_from\_at\_least\_k\_pos.
used in graph description: differ\_from\_at\_least\_k\_pos.

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**Keywords** application area: bioinformatics.

characteristic of a constraint: disequality, vector.
constraint type: system of constraints, decomposition.

final graph structure: no loop, symmetric.

 $\textbf{Cond. implications} \qquad \texttt{all\_differ\_from\_at\_least\_k\_pos}(\texttt{K}, \texttt{VECTORS})$ 

with  $K \leq |VECTORS|$ 

implies atleast\_nvector(NVEC, VECTORS).

Arc input(s)	VECTORS
Arc generator	$CLIQUE(\neq) \mapsto collection(vectors1, vectors2)$
Arc arity	2
Arc constraint(s)	${\tt differ\_from\_at\_least\_k\_pos}({\tt K}, {\tt vectors1.vec}, {\tt vectors2.vec})$
Graph property(ies)	$\mathbf{NARC} =  \mathtt{VECTORS}  *  \mathtt{VECTORS}  -  \mathtt{VECTORS} $
Graph class	• NO_LOOP • SYMMETRIC

## Graph model

The **Arc constraint(s)** slot uses the differ\_from\_at\_least\_k\_pos constraint defined in this catalogue.

Parts (A) and (B) of Figure 5.2 respectively show the initial and final graph associated with the **Example** slot. Since we use the **NARC** graph property, the arcs of the final graph are stressed in bold. The previous constraint holds since exactly  $3 \cdot (3-1) = 6$  arc constraints hold.

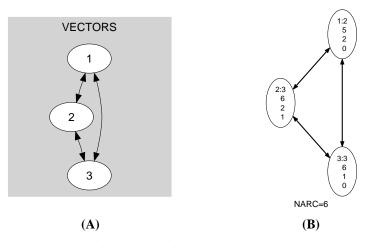


Figure 5.2: Initial and final graph of the  $all\_differ\_from\_at\_least\_k\_pos$  constraint

## Signature

Since we use the  $CLIQUE(\neq)$  arc generator on the items of the VECTORS collection, the expression  $|VECTORS| \cdot |VECTORS| - |VECTORS|$  corresponds to the maximum number of arcs of the final graph. Therefore we can rewrite the graph property  $NARC = |VECTORS| \cdot |VECTORS| - |VECTORS|$  to  $NARC \ge |VECTORS| \cdot |VECTORS| - |VECTORS|$ . This leads to simplify  $NARC \ge |VECTORS| \cdot |VECTORS|$ .

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