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## 5.266 minimum\_modulo

DESCRIPTION LINKS GRAPH

Origin Derived from minimum.

Constraint minimum\_modulo(MIN, VARIABLES, M)

Arguments MIN : dvar

VARIABLES : collection(var-dvar)

M : int

**Restrictions** |VARIABLES| > 0

M > 0

required(VARIABLES, var)

Purpose MIN is a minimum value of the collection of domain variables VARIABLES according to

the following partial ordering:  $(X \mod M) < (Y \mod M)$ .

**Example** (6, (9, 1, 7, 6, 5), 3)

 $(9, \langle 9, 1, 7, 6, 5 \rangle, 3)$ 

The minimum\_modulo constraints hold since MIN is respectively set to values 6 and 9, where  $6 \mod 3 = 0$  and  $9 \mod 3 = 0$  are both less than or equal to all the expressions  $9 \mod 3 = 0$ ,  $1 \mod 3 = 1$ ,  $7 \mod 3 = 1$ ,  $6 \mod 3 = 0$ , and  $5 \mod 3 = 2$ .

Typical |VARIABLES| > 1

range(VARIABLES.var) > 1

M > 1

M <maxval(VARIABLES.var)</pre>

**Symmetry** Items of VARIABLES are permutable.

Arg. properties

Functional dependency: MIN determined by VARIABLES and M.

See also comparison swapped: maximum\_modulo.

 ${\bf specialisation:}\ {\tt minimum}\ ({\tt variable}\ {\tt mod}\ {\tt constant}\ {\it replaced}\ {\it by}\ {\tt variable}).$ 

**Keywords characteristic of a constraint:** modulo, maxint, minimum.

constraint arguments: pure functional dependency.

constraint type: order constraint.modelling: functional dependency.

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      Arc input(s)
      VARIABLES

      Arc generator
      CLIQUE→collection(variables1, variables2)

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      Arc constraint(s)
      V ( variables1.key = variables2.key, variables2.var mod M < variables2.var mod M < variables2.var mod M < variables2.var mod M </td>

      Graph property(ies)
      ORDER(0, MAXINT, var) = MIN
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## Graph model

We use a similar definition that the one that was utilised for the minimum constraint. Within the arc constraint we replace the condition X < Y by the condition  $(X \mod M) < (Y \mod M)$ .

Parts (A) and (B) of Figure 5.587 respectively show the initial and final graph associated with the second example of the **Example** slot. Since we use the **ORDER** graph property, the vertex of rank 0 (without considering the loops) associated with value 9 is outlined with a thick circle.

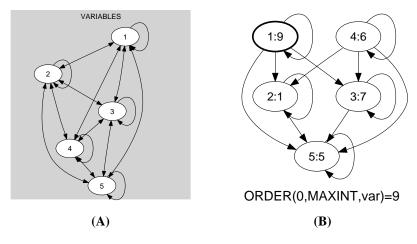


Figure 5.587: Initial and final graph of the minimum\_modulo constraint