

# Bondy's Theorem

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## Abstract

A proof of Bondy's Theorem following Bollobás [1].

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theory Bondy
imports Main
begin
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lemma card-less-if-surj-not-inj:
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  [[ finite A; f ` A = B; ¬ inj-on f A ]] ⇒ card B < card A
  by (metis card-image-le inj-on-iff-eq-card order-le-neq-trans)
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theorem Bondy :
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  assumes ∀ A ∈ F. A ⊆ X and card X ≥ 1 and card F = card X
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  shows ∃ D. D ⊆ X & card D < card X & card (inter D ` F) = card F
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proof -
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  from assms(2,3) have finite F and finite X
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  by (metis card.infinite not-one-le-zero)+
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  { fix m
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    have m < card F ⇒ ∃ D. D ⊆ X & card D ≤ m & card (inter D ` F) ≥ m
  + 1
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  proof (induction m)
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    case 0
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    hence {} ⊆ X & card {} ≤ 0 & card (inter {} ` F) ≥ 0 + 1
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    by auto (metis Suc-leI card-eq-0-iff empty-is-image finite-imageI gr0I)
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    thus ∃ D. (D ⊆ X & card D ≤ 0 & card (inter D ` F) ≥ 0 + 1) by blast
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  next
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    case (Suc m)
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    hence m < card F by arith
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    with Suc.IH obtain D
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    where D: D ⊆ X ∧ card D ≤ m ∧ m + 1 ≤ card (inter D ` F) by auto
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    with ⟨finite X⟩ have finite D by (auto intro: finite-subset)
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    show ?case
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    proof (cases card (inter D ` F) = card F)
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      case True
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      hence D ⊆ X ∧ card D ≤ Suc m ∧ Suc m + 1 ≤ card (inter D ` F)
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        using D Suc.premis by auto
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      thus ?thesis by blast
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    next
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**case** *False*  
**hence**  $\sim$  *inj-on* (*inter D*) *F* **by** (*auto simp: card-image*)  
**then obtain** *A1 A2* **where**  $A1 \in F$  **and**  $A2 \in F$  **and**  
 $D \cap A1 = D \cap A2$  **and**  $A1 \neq A2$  **by** (*auto simp: inj-on-def*)  
**then obtain** *x* **where**  $x : (A1 - A2) \cup (A2 - A1)$  **by** *auto*  
**from**  $\langle \forall A \in F. A \subseteq X \rangle \langle A1 \in F \rangle \langle A2 \in F \rangle$  *x* **have**  $x : X$  **by** *auto*  
**let**  $?E = \text{insert } x \ D$   
**from** *D* (*finite D*) **have**  $\text{card } ?E \leq \text{Suc } m$   
**by** (*metis (full-types) Suc-le-mono card-insert-if le-Suc-eq*)  
**moreover with** *D*  $\langle x : X \rangle$  **have**  $?E \subseteq X$  **by** *auto*  
**moreover have**  $\text{Suc } m < \text{card } (\text{inter } ?E \ ' F)$   
**proof** –  
**from**  $\langle D \cap A1 = D \cap A2 \rangle$  **have**  $1: (D \cap (?E \cap A1)) = (D \cap (?E \cap A2))$   
**by** *auto*  
**from** *x* **have**  $2: ?E \text{ Int } A1 \neq ?E \text{ Int } A2$  **by** *auto*  
**have**  $3: \text{inter } D \circ \text{inter } ?E = \text{inter } D$  **by** *auto*  
**have**  $4: \sim$  *inj-on* (*inter D*) (*inter ?E ' F*)  
**unfolding** *inj-on-def* **using**  $1 \ 2 \ \langle A1 \in F \rangle \langle A2 \in F \rangle$  **by** *blast*  
**from** *D* **have**  $\text{Suc } m \leq \text{card } (\text{inter } D \ ' F)$  **by** *auto*  
**also have**  $\dots < \text{card } (\text{inter } ?E \ ' F)$   
**by** (*rule card-less-if-surj-not-inj[of - inter D]*)  
(*auto simp add: image-image 3 4 (finite F)*)  
**finally show** *?thesis* .  
**qed**  
**ultimately have**  $?E \subseteq X \wedge \text{card } ?E \leq \text{Suc } m \wedge \text{Suc } m + 1 \leq \text{card } (\text{inter } ?E \ ' F)$   
**by** *auto*  
**thus**  $\exists D \subseteq X. \text{card } D \leq \text{Suc } m \wedge \text{Suc } m + 1 \leq \text{card } (\text{inter } D \ ' F)$  **by** *blast*  
**qed**  
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**}**  
**moreover from** *assms(2,3)* **have**  $\text{card } X - 1 < \text{card } F$  **by** *auto*  
**ultimately obtain** *D* **where**  
 $D \subseteq X \ \& \ \text{card } D \leq \text{card } X - 1 \ \& \ \text{card } (\text{inter } D \ ' F) \geq (\text{card } X - 1) + 1$   
**by** *auto*  
**moreover with** (*finite F*) **have**  $\text{card } (\text{inter } D \ ' F) \leq \text{card } F$   
**by** (*elim card-image-le*)  
**ultimately have**  $D \subseteq X \ \& \ \text{card } D < \text{card } X \ \& \ \text{card } (\text{inter } D \ ' F) = \text{card } F$   
**using**  $\langle \text{card } F = \text{card } X \rangle$  **by** *auto*  
**thus** *?thesis* **by** *auto*  
**qed**  
**end**

## References

- [1] B. Bollobás. *Combinatorics: set systems, hypergraphs, families of vectors and combinatorial probability*. Cambridge University Press, 1986.