

① If w_0 is an element of a Coxeter group such that $sw_0 < w_0$ for every simple reflection $s \in S$, prove that $w \leq w_0, \forall w \in W$. Michael Jackson

PF (By induction)

Show w is a subword of w_0

$$l(e) = l(w_0)$$

so $e \leq w_0$

I.H. Assume true for any $u \in W$ with $l(u) < n$

that $u \leq w_0$

Let $v \in W$ s.t. $l(v) = n$.

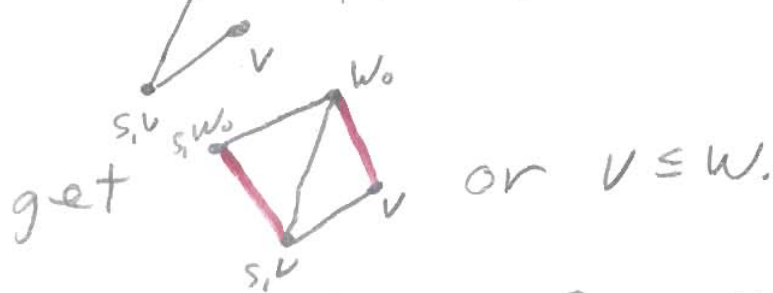
Then $v = s_1 \dots s_n$, but $s_1 v = s_2 \dots s_n$

$$\text{so } l(s_1 v) = n-1 < n$$

Therefore $s_1 v \leq w_0$ by the induction hypothesis

So we have $s_1 v \leq v$, $s_1 v \leq w_0$, and $s_1 w_0 \leq w_0$

then by the lifting property we



Therefore $w \leq w_0$ for all $w \in W$

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