

# The Incompatibility of Strategy-Proofness and Representation in Party-Approval Multi-Winner Elections

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In party-approval multi-winner elections, the goal is to allocate the seats of a fixed-size committee to parties based on approval ballots of the voters over the parties. In particular, each voter can approve multiple parties and each party can be assigned multiple seats.

Three central requirements in this settings are:

**Anonymity:** The result is invariant under renaming the voters.

**Representation:** Every sufficiently large group of voters with similar preferences is represented by some committee members.

**Strategy-proofness:** No voter can benefit by misreporting her true preferences.

We show that these three basic axioms are incompatible for party-approval multi-winner voting rules, thus proving a far-reaching impossibility theorem.

The proof of this result is obtained by formulating the problem in propositional logic and then letting a SAT solver show that the formula is unsatisfiable. The DRUP proof output by the SAT solver is then converted into Lammich's GRAT format and imported into Isabelle/HOL with some custom-written ML code.

This transformation is proof-producing, so the final Isabelle/HOL theorem does not rely on any oracles or other trusted external components.

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# 1 Auxiliary Facts About Multisets

```
theory PAPP-Multiset-Extras
  imports HOL-Library.Multiset
begin
```

This section contains a number of not particularly interesting small facts about multisets.

```
lemma mset-set-subset-iff: finite A  $\implies$  mset-set A  $\subseteq\#$  B  $\longleftrightarrow$  A  $\subseteq$  set-mset B
  by (metis finite-set-mset finite-set-mset-mset-set mset-set-set-mset-msubset
      msubset-mset-set-iff set-mset-mono subset-mset.trans)
```

```
lemma mset-subset-size-ge-imp-eq:
  assumes A  $\subseteq\#$  B size A  $\geq$  size B
  shows A = B
```

```
  using assms
proof (induction A arbitrary: B)
  case empty
  thus ?case by auto
```

```
next
  case (add x A B)
  have [simp]: x  $\in\#$  B
    using add.prem1 by (simp add: insert-subset-eq-iff)
  define B' where B' = B - {#x#}
  have B-eq: B = add-mset x B'
    using add.prem1 unfolding B'-def by (auto simp: add-mset-remove-trivial-If)
  have A = B'
    using add.prem1 by (intro add.IH) (auto simp: B-eq)
  thus ?case
    by (auto simp: B-eq)
```

```
qed
```

```
lemma mset-psubset-iff:
  X  $\subset\#$  Y  $\longleftrightarrow$  X  $\subseteq\#$  Y  $\wedge$  ( $\exists x. \text{count } X \ x < \text{count } Y \ x$ )
  by (meson less-le-not-le subset-mset.less-le-not-le subseteq-mset-def)
```

```
lemma count-le-size: count A x  $\leq$  size A
  by (induction A) auto
```

```
lemma size-filter-eq-conv-count [simp]: size (filter-mset ( $\lambda y. y = x$ ) A) = count A x
  by (induction A) auto
```

```
lemma multiset-filter-mono':
  assumes  $\bigwedge x. x \in\# A \implies P \ x \implies Q \ x$ 
  shows filter-mset P A  $\subseteq\#$  filter-mset Q A
  using assms by (induction A) (auto simp: subset-mset.absorb-iff1 add-mset-union)
```

```
lemma multiset-filter-mono'':
  assumes A  $\subseteq\#$  B  $\bigwedge x. x \in\# A \implies P \ x \implies Q \ x$ 
  shows filter-mset P A  $\subseteq\#$  filter-mset Q B
```

**using** *assms multiset-filter-mono multiset-filter-mono'*  
**by** (*metis subset-mset.order-trans*)

**lemma** *filter-mset-disjunction:*

**assumes**  $\bigwedge x. x \in \# X \implies P x \implies Q x \implies \text{False}$

**shows**  $\text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. P x \vee Q x) X = \text{filter-mset } P X + \text{filter-mset } Q X$

**using** *assms* **by** (*induction X*) *auto*

**lemma** *size-mset-sum-mset:*  $\text{size } (\text{sum-mset } X) = (\sum x \in \# X. \text{size } (x :: 'a \text{ multiset}))$

**by** (*induction X*) *auto*

**lemma** *count-sum-mset:*  $\text{count } (\text{sum-mset } X) x = (\sum Y \in \# X. \text{count } Y x)$

**by** (*induction X*) *auto*

**lemma** *replicate-mset-rec:*  $n > 0 \implies \text{replicate-mset } n x = \text{add-mset } x (\text{replicate-mset } (n - 1) x)$

**by** (*cases n*) *auto*

**lemma** *add-mset-neq:*  $x \notin \# B \implies \text{add-mset } x A \neq B$

**by** *force*

**lemma** *filter-replicate-mset:*

$\text{filter-mset } P (\text{replicate-mset } n x) = (\text{if } P x \text{ then } \text{replicate-mset } n x \text{ else } \{\#\})$

**by** (*induction n*) *auto*

**lemma** *filter-diff-mset':*  $\text{filter-mset } P (X - Y) = \text{filter-mset } P X - Y$

**by** (*rule multiset-eqI*) *auto*

**lemma** *in-diff-multiset-absorb2:*  $x \notin \# B \implies x \in \# A - B \iff x \in \# A$

**by** (*metis count-greater-zero-iff count-inI in-diff-count*)

**end**

## 2 Anonymous Party Approval Rules

**theory** *Anonymous-PAPP*

**imports** *Complex-Main Randomised-Social-Choice.Order-Predicates PAPP-Multiset-Extras*

**begin**

In this section we will define (anonymous) P-APP rules and some basic desirable properties of P-APP rules.

### 2.1 Definition of the General Setting

The following locale encapsulates an anonymous *party approval election*; that is:

- a number of voters
- a set of parties

- the size of the desired committee

The number of parties and voters is assumed to be finite and non-zero. As a modelling choice, we do not distinguish the voters at all; there is no explicit set of voters. We only care about their number.

```

locale anon-papp-election =
  fixes n-voters :: nat and parties :: 'a set and committee-size :: nat
  assumes finite-parties [simp, intro]: finite parties
  assumes n-voters-pos: n-voters > 0
  assumes nonempty-parties [simp]: parties ≠ {}
begin

```

The result of a P-APP election is a committee, i.e. a multiset of parties with the desired size.

```

definition is-committee :: 'a multiset ⇒ bool where
  is-committee W ⇔ set-mset W ⊆ parties ∧ size W = committee-size

```

**end**

A *preference profile* for a P-APP collection consists of one approval list (i.e. a set of approved parties) for each voter. Since we are in an anonymous setting, this means that we have a *multiset* consisting of  $n$  sets of parties (where  $n$  is the number of voters).

Moreover, we make the usual assumption that the approval lists must be non-empty.

```

locale anon-papp-profile = anon-papp-election +
  fixes A :: 'a set multiset
  assumes A-subset: ⋀X. X ∈# A ⇒ X ⊆ parties
  assumes A-nonempty: {} ∉# A
  assumes size-A: size A = n-voters
begin

```

```

lemma A-nonempty': A ≠ {}
using size-A n-voters-pos by auto

```

**end**

```

context anon-papp-election
begin

```

```

abbreviation
  is-pref-profile where is-pref-profile ≡ anon-papp-profile n-voters parties

```

```

lemma is-pref-profile-iff:
  is-pref-profile A ⇔ set-mset A ⊆ Pow parties - {} ∧ size A = n-voters
unfolding anon-papp-profile-def anon-papp-profile-axioms-def
using anon-papp-election-axioms by auto

```

**lemma** *not-is-pref-profile-empty* [simp]:  $\neg$ is-pref-profile  $\{\#\}$   
**using** anon-papp-profile.A-nonempty'[of n-voters]  
**by** auto

The following relation is a key definition: it takes an approval list  $A$  and turns it into a preference relation on committees. A committee is to be at least as good as another if the number of approved parties in it is at least as big.

This relation is a reflexive, transitive, and total.

**definition** *committee-preference* :: 'a set  $\Rightarrow$  'a multiset relation (Comm) **where**  
 $W1 \preceq[\text{Comm}(A)] W2 \iff \text{size } \{\# x \in \#W1. x \in A \#\} \leq \text{size } \{\# x \in \#W2. x \in A \#\}$

**lemma** *not-strict-Comm* [simp]:  $\neg(W1 \prec[\text{Comm}(A)] W2) \iff W1 \succeq[\text{Comm}(A)] W2$   
**by** (auto simp: committee-preference-def strongly-preferred-def)

**lemma** *not-weak-Comm* [simp]:  $\neg(W1 \preceq[\text{Comm}(A)] W2) \iff W1 \succ[\text{Comm}(A)] W2$   
**by** (auto simp: committee-preference-def strongly-preferred-def)

**sublocale** *Comm*: preorder  $\text{Comm}(A) \lambda x y. x \prec[\text{Comm}(A)] y$   
**by** standard (auto simp: committee-preference-def strongly-preferred-def)

**lemma** *strong-committee-preference-iff*:  
 $W1 \prec[\text{Comm}(A)] W2 \iff \text{size } \{\# x \in \#W1. x \in A \#\} < \text{size } \{\# x \in \#W2. x \in A \#\}$   
**by** (auto simp: committee-preference-def strongly-preferred-def)

We also define the Pareto ordering on parties induced by a given preference profile: One party is at least as good (in the Pareto relation) as another if all voters agree that it is at least as good. That is,  $y \succeq x$  in the Pareto ordering if all voters who approve  $x$  also approve  $y$ .

This relation is also reflexive and transitive.

**definition** *Pareto* :: 'a set multiset  $\Rightarrow$  'a relation **where**  
 $x \preceq[\text{Pareto}(A)] y \iff x \in \text{parties} \wedge y \in \text{parties} \wedge (\forall X \in \#A. x \in X \longrightarrow y \in X)$

**sublocale** *Pareto*: preorder-on parties  $\text{Pareto } A$   
**by** standard (auto simp: Pareto-def)

Pareto losers are parties that are (strictly) Pareto-dominated, i.e. there exists some other party that all voters consider to be at least as good and at least one voter considers it to be strictly better.

**definition** *pareto-losers* :: 'a set multiset  $\Rightarrow$  'a set **where**  
 $\text{pareto-losers } A = \{x. \exists y. y \succ[\text{Pareto}(A)] x\}$

**end**

## 2.2 P-APP rules and Desirable Properties

The following locale describes a P-APP rule. This is simply a function that maps every preference profile to a committee of the desired size.

Note that in our setting, a P-APP rule has a fixed number of voters, a fixed set of parties, and a fixed desired committee size.

```

locale anon-papp = anon-papp-election +
  fixes r :: 'a set multiset  $\Rightarrow$  'a multiset
  assumes rule-wf: is-pref-profile A  $\implies$  is-committee (r A)

```

## 2.3 Efficiency

Efficiency is a common notion in Social Choice Theory. The idea is that if a party is “obviously bad”, then it should not be chosen. What “obviously bad” means depends on the precise notion of Efficiency that is used. We will talk about two notions: Weak Efficiency and Pareto Efficiency.

A P-APP rule is *weakly efficient* if a party that is approved by no one is never part of the output committee.

Note that approval lists must be non-empty, so there is always at least one party that is approved by at least one voter.

```

locale weakly-efficient-anon-papp = anon-papp +
  assumes weakly-efficient: is-pref-profile A  $\implies \forall X \in \#A. x \notin X \implies x \notin \# r A$ 

```

A P-APP rule is *Pareto-efficient* if a Pareto-dominated party is never part of the output committee.

```

locale pareto-optimal-anon-papp = anon-papp +
  assumes pareto-optimal: is-pref-profile A  $\implies x \in \text{pareto-losers } A \implies x \notin \# r A$ 
begin

```

Pareto-efficiency implies weak efficiency:

```

sublocale weakly-efficient-anon-papp
proof
  fix A x
  assume A: is-pref-profile A and x:  $\forall X \in \#A. x \notin X$ 
  interpret anon-papp-profile n-voters parties committee-size A
  by fact
  have A  $\neq \{\#\}$ 
  using A-nonempty'.
  then obtain X where X: X  $\in \# A$ 
  by auto
  with A-nonempty have X  $\neq \{\}$ 
  by auto
  then obtain y where y: y  $\in X$ 
  by auto
  show x  $\notin \# r A$ 
  proof (cases x  $\in$  parties)
  case False
  thus ?thesis
  using rule-wf[OF A] by (auto simp: is-committee-def)
next

```

```

case True
have  $y \succ_{[Pareto(A)]} x$ 
  unfolding Pareto-def using  $X x y$  True A-subset[of X]
  by (auto simp: strongly-preferred-def)
hence  $x \in \text{pareto-losers } A$ 
  by (auto simp: pareto-losers-def)
thus ?thesis
  using pareto-optimal[OF A] by auto
qed
qed
end

```

## 2.4 Strategyproofness

Strategyproofness is another common notion in Social Choice Theory that generally encapsulates the notion that an voter should not be able to manipulate the outcome of an election in their favour by (unilaterally) submitting fake preferences; i.e. reporting one's preferences truthfully should always be the optimal choice.

A P-APP rule is called *cardinality-strategyproof* if an voter cannot obtain a better committee (i.e. one that contains strictly more of their approved parties) by submitting an approval list that is different from their real approval list.

To make the definition simpler, we first define the notion of *manipulability*: in the context of a particular P-APP rule  $r$ , a preference profile  $A$  is said to be manipulable by the voter  $i$  with the fake preference list  $Y$  if  $r(A(i := Y))$  contains strictly more parties approved by  $i$  than  $r(A)$ .

Since we have anonymous profiles and do not talk about particular voters, we replace  $i$  with their approval list  $X$ . Since  $A$  is a multiset, the definition of manipulability becomes  $r(A - \{X\} + \{Y\}) \succ_X r(A)$ .

**definition** (in anon-papp) *card-manipulable* **where**

```

card-manipulable  $A X Y \longleftrightarrow$ 
  is-pref-profile  $A \wedge X \in \# A \wedge Y \neq \{\} \wedge Y \subseteq \text{parties} \wedge r(A - \{\#X\} + \{\#Y\})$ 
 $\succ_{[Comm(X)]} r A$ 

```

A technical (and fairly obvious) lemma: replacing an voter's approval list with a different approval list again yields a valid preference profile.

**lemma** (in anon-papp) *is-pref-profile-replace*:

**assumes** *is-pref-profile*  $A$  **and**  $X \in \# A$  **and**  $Y \neq \{\}$  **and**  $Y \subseteq \text{parties}$

**shows** *is-pref-profile*  $(A - \{\#X\} + \{\#Y\})$

**proof** –

**interpret** *anon-papp-profile*  $n$ -voters parties committee-size  $A$

**by** fact

**show** ?thesis

**using** *assms* A-subset A-nonempty **unfolding** *is-pref-profile-iff*

**by** (auto dest: in-diffD simp: size-Suc-Diff1)

**qed**



**locale** *card-stratproof-anon-papp* = *anon-papp* +  
**assumes** *not-manipulable*:  $\neg$ *card-manipulable* *A X Y*  
**begin**

The two following alternative versions of non-manipulability are somewhat nicer to use in practice.

**lemma** *not-manipulable'*:  
**assumes** *is-pref-profile* *A is-pref-profile* *A' A + {#Y#} = A' + {#X#}*  
**shows**  $\neg(r A' \succ[Comm(X)] r A)$   
**proof** (*cases*  $X = Y$ )  
**case** *True*  
**thus** *?thesis*  
**using** *assms* **by** (*simp add: strongly-preferred-def*)  
**next**  
**case** *False*  
**interpret** *A: anon-papp-profile n-voters parties committee-size A*  
**by fact**  
**interpret** *A': anon-papp-profile n-voters parties committee-size A'*  
**by fact**  
**from** *assms(3) False* **have**  $*$ :  $Y \in\# A' X \in\# A$   
**by** (*metis add-mset-add-single insert-noteq-member*)  
  
**have**  $\neg$ *card-manipulable* *A X Y*  
**by** (*intro not-manipulable*)  
**hence**  $\neg r (A - \{#X\# + \{#Y\#\}) \succ[Comm(X)] r A$   
**using** *assms \* A.A-subset A'.A-subset A.A-nonempty A'.A-nonempty*  
**by** (*auto simp: card-manipulable-def*)  
**also have**  $A - \{#X\# + \{#Y\#\} = A'$   
**using** *assms(3) False* **by** (*metis add-eq-conv-diff add-mset-add-single*)  
**finally show** *?thesis* .  
**qed**

**lemma** *not-manipulable''*:  
**assumes** *is-pref-profile* *A is-pref-profile* *A' A + {#Y#} = A' + {#X#}*  
**shows**  $r A' \preceq[Comm(X)] r A$   
**using** *not-manipulable'[OF assms]* **by** *simp*

**end**

## 2.5 Representation

*Representation* properties are in a sense the opposite of *Efficiency* properties: if a sufficiently high voters agree that certain parties are good, then these should, to some extent, be present in the result. For instance, if we have 20 voters and 5 of them approve parties *A* and *B*, then if the output committee has size 4, we would expect either *A* or *B* to be in the committee to ensure that these voters' preferences are represented fairly.

Weak representation is a particularly weak variant of this that states that if at least one

$k$ -th of the voters (where  $k$  is the size of the output committee) approve only a single party  $x$ , then  $x$  should be in the committee at least once:

```

locale weak-rep-anon-papp =
  anon-papp n-voters parties committee-size r
  for n-voters and parties :: 'alt set and committee-size :: nat and r +
  assumes weak-representation:
    is-pref-profile A  $\implies$  committee-size * count A {x}  $\geq$  n-voters  $\implies$  x  $\in\#$  r A

```

The following alternative definition of Weak Representation is a bit closer to the definition given in the paper.

```

lemma weak-rep-anon-papp-altdef:
  weak-rep-anon-papp n-voters parties committee-size r  $\longleftrightarrow$ 
  anon-papp n-voters parties committee-size r  $\wedge$  (committee-size = 0  $\vee$ 
  ( $\forall$  A x. anon-papp-profile n-voters parties A  $\longrightarrow$ 
    count A {x}  $\geq$  n-voters / committee-size  $\longrightarrow$  x  $\in\#$  r A))
  by (cases committee-size = 0)
  (auto simp: field-simps weak-rep-anon-papp-def
    weak-rep-anon-papp-axioms-def
    anon-papp-def anon-papp-axioms-def anon-papp-election-def
    simp flip: of-nat-mult)

```

*Justified Representation* is a stronger notion which demands that if there is a subgroup of voters that comprises at least one  $k$ -th of all voters and for which the intersection of their approval lists is some nonempty set  $X$ , then at least one of the parties approved by at least one voter in that subgroup must be in the result committee.

```

locale justified-rep-anon-papp =
  anon-papp n-voters parties committee-size r
  for n-voters and parties :: 'alt set and committee-size :: nat and r +
  assumes justified-representation:
    is-pref-profile A  $\implies$  G  $\subseteq\#$  A  $\implies$  committee-size * size G  $\geq$  n-voters  $\implies$ 
    ( $\bigcap$  X  $\in$  set-mset G. X)  $\neq$  {}  $\implies$   $\exists$  X x. X  $\in\#$  G  $\wedge$  x  $\in$  X  $\wedge$  x  $\in\#$  r A
begin

```

Any rule that satisfies Justified Representation also satisfies Weak Representation

```

sublocale weak-rep-anon-papp
proof
  fix A x
  assume *: is-pref-profile A n-voters  $\leq$  committee-size * count A {x}
  define G where G = replicate-mset (count A {x}) {x}
  have [simp]: size G = count A {x}
  by (auto simp: G-def)
  have **: set-mset G  $\subseteq$  {{x}}
  by (auto simp: G-def)
  have ***: G  $\subseteq\#$  A
  unfolding G-def by (meson count-le-replicate-mset-subset-eq order-refl)
  have  $\exists$  X x. X  $\in\#$  G  $\wedge$  x  $\in$  X  $\wedge$  x  $\in\#$  r A
  by (rule justified-representation) (use * ** *** in auto)
  thus x  $\in\#$  r A

```

```

    using ** by auto
qed

end

```

```

locale card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp =
  card-stratproof-anon-papp + weak-rep-anon-papp

```

## 2.6 Proportional Representation

The notions of Representation we have seen so far are fairly weak in that they only demand that certain parties be in the committee at least once if enough voters approve them. Notions of Proportional Representation strengthen this by demanding that if a sufficiently large subgroup of voters approve some parties, then these voters must be represented in the result committee not just once, but to a degree proportional to the size of that subgroup of voters.

For Weak Representation, the proportional generalization is fairly simple: if a fraction of at least  $\frac{l}{k}$  of the voters uniquely approve a party  $x$ , then  $x$  must be in the committee at least  $l$  times.

```

locale weak-prop-rep-anon-papp =
  anon-papp n-voters parties committee-size r
  for n-voters and parties :: 'alt set and committee-size :: nat and r +
  assumes weak-proportional-representation:
    is-pref-profile A  $\implies$  committee-size * count A {x}  $\geq$  l * n-voters  $\implies$  count (r A) x  $\geq$  l
begin

  sublocale weak-rep-anon-papp
  proof
    fix A x
    assume is-pref-profile A n-voters  $\leq$  committee-size * count A {x}
    thus x  $\in$  # r A
    using weak-proportional-representation[of A 1] by auto
  qed

end

```

Similarly, Justified *Proportional* Representation demands that if the approval lists of a subgroup of at least  $\frac{l}{k}$  voters have a non-empty intersection, then at least  $l$  parties in the result committee are each approved by at least one of the voters in the subgroup.

```

locale justified-prop-rep-anon-papp =
  anon-papp n-voters parties committee-size r
  for n-voters and parties :: 'alt set and committee-size :: nat and r +
  assumes justified-proportional-representation:
    is-pref-profile A  $\implies$  G  $\subseteq$  # A  $\implies$  committee-size * size G  $\geq$  l * n-voters  $\implies$ 
     $(\bigcap X \in \text{set-mset } G. X) \neq \{\}$   $\implies$  size {# x  $\in$  # r A. x  $\in$  ( $\bigcup X \in \text{set-mset } G. X$ ) #}  $\geq$  l
begin

```

```

sublocale justified-rep-anon-papp
proof
  fix  $A G$ 
  assume  $is\text{-}pref\text{-}profile\ A\ G \subseteq\# A\ n\text{-}voters \leq committee\text{-}size * size\ G$ 
     $(\bigcap X \in set\text{-}mset\ G. X) \neq \{\}$ 
  hence  $size\ \{\#x \in\# r\ A. \exists X \in\# G. x \in X\# \} \geq 1$ 
    using justified-proportional-representation[of  $A\ G\ 1$ ] by auto
  hence  $\{\#x \in\# r\ A. \exists X \in\# G. x \in X\# \} \neq \{\# \}$ 
    by auto
  thus  $\exists X\ x. X \in\# G \wedge x \in X \wedge x \in\# r\ A$ 
    by fastforce
qed

sublocale weak-prop-rep-anon-papp
proof
  fix  $A\ l\ x$ 
  assume  $*: is\text{-}pref\text{-}profile\ A\ l * n\text{-}voters \leq committee\text{-}size * count\ A\ \{x\}$ 
  define  $G$  where  $G = replicate\text{-}mset\ (count\ A\ \{x\})\ \{x\}$ 
  from  $*$  have  $size\ \{\#x \in\# r\ A. x \in (\bigcup X \in set\text{-}mset\ G. X)\#\} \geq l$ 
    by (intro justified-proportional-representation)
    (auto simp: G-def simp flip: count-le-replicate-mset-subset-eq)
  also have  $size\ \{\#x \in\# r\ A. x \in (\bigcup X \in set\text{-}mset\ G. X)\#\} \leq count\ (r\ A)\ x$ 
    by (auto simp: G-def)
  finally show  $count\ (r\ A)\ x \geq l$  .
qed

end

locale card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp =
  card-stratproof-anon-papp + weak-prop-rep-anon-papp

end

```

### 3 The Base Case of the Impossibility

```

theory PAPP-Impossibility-Base-Case
  imports Anonymous-PAPP SAT-Replay
begin

```

In this section, we will prove the base case of our P-APP impossibility result, namely that there exists no anonymous P-APP rule  $f$  for 6 voters, 4 parties, and committee size 3 that satisfies Weak Representation and Cardinality Strategyproofness.

The proof works by looking at some (comparatively small) set of preference profiles and the set of all 20 possible output committees. Each proposition  $f(A) = C$  (where  $A$  is a profile from our set and  $C$  is one of the 20 possible output committees) is considered as a Boolean variable.

All the conditions arising on these variables based on the fact that  $f$  is a function and the additional properties (Representation, Strategyproofness) are encoded as SAT clauses. This SAT problem is then proven unsatisfiable by an external SAT solver and the resulting proof re-imported into Isabelle/HOL.

### 3.1 Auxiliary Material

We define the set of committees of the given size  $k$  for a given set of parties  $P$ .

**definition** *committees* ::  $\text{nat} \Rightarrow 'a \text{ set} \Rightarrow 'a \text{ multiset set}$  **where**  
 $\text{committees } k \ P = \{W. \text{set-mset } W \subseteq P \wedge \text{size } W = k\}$

We now prove a recurrence for this set so that we can more easily compute the set of all possible committees:

**lemma** *committees-0* [*simp*]:  $\text{committees } 0 \ P = \{\{\#\}\}$   
**by** (*auto simp: committees-def*)

**lemma** *committees-Suc*:

$\text{committees } (\text{Suc } n) \ P = (\bigcup x \in P. \bigcup W \in \text{committees } n \ P. \{\{\#x\#\} + W\})$

**proof** *safe*

**fix**  $C$  **assume**  $C: C \in \text{committees } (\text{Suc } n) \ P$

**hence**  $\text{size } C = \text{Suc } n$

**by** (*auto simp: committees-def*)

**hence**  $C \neq \{\#\}$

**by** *auto*

**then obtain**  $x$  **where**  $x: x \in \# \ C$

**by** *auto*

**define**  $C'$  **where**  $C' = C - \{\#x\#\}$

**have**  $C = \{\#x\#\} + C' \ x \in P \ C' \in \text{committees } n \ P$

**using**  $C \ x$  **by** (*auto simp: committees-def C'-def size-Diff-singleton dest: in-diffD*)

**thus**  $C \in (\bigcup x \in P. \bigcup W \in \text{committees } n \ P. \{\{\#x\#\} + W\})$

**by** *blast*

**qed** (*auto simp: committees-def*)

The following function takes a list  $[a_1, \dots, a_n]$  and computes the list of all pairs of the form  $(a_i, a_j)$  with  $i < j$ :

**fun** *pairs* ::  $'a \text{ list} \Rightarrow ('a \times 'a) \text{ list}$  **where**

$\text{pairs } [] = []$

|  $\text{pairs } (x \# xs) = \text{map } (\lambda y. (x, y)) \ xs \ @ \ \text{pairs } \ xs$

**lemma** *distinct-conv-pairs*:  $\text{distinct } xs \longleftrightarrow \text{list-all } (\lambda(x,y). x \neq y) \ (\text{pairs } xs)$

**by** (*induction xs*) (*auto simp: list-all-iff*)

**lemma** *list-ex-unfold*:  $\text{list-ex } P \ (x \# y \# xs) \longleftrightarrow P \ x \vee \text{list-ex } P \ (y \# xs) \ \text{list-ex } P \ [x] \longleftrightarrow P \ x$

**by** *simp-all*

**lemma** *list-all-unfold*:  $\text{list-all } P \ (x \# y \# xs) \longleftrightarrow P \ x \wedge \text{list-all } P \ (y \# xs) \ \text{list-all } P \ [x] \longleftrightarrow P \ x$

by *simp-all*

### 3.2 Setup for the Base Case

We define a locale for an anonymous P-APP rule for 6 voters, 4 parties, and committee size 3 that satisfies weak representation and cardinality strategyproofness. Our goal is to prove the theorem *False* inside this locale.

```
locale papp-impossibility-base-case =  
  card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp 6 parties 3 r  
  for parties :: 'a set and r +  
  assumes card-parties: card parties = 4  
begin
```

A slightly more convenient version of Weak Representation:

```
lemma weak-representation':  
  assumes is-pref-profile A A' ≡ A ∀ z ∈ Z. count A {z} ≥ 2 ¬Z ⊆ set-mset W  
  shows r A' ≠ W  
  using weak-representation[OF assms(1)] assms(2-4) by auto
```

The following lemma (Lemma 2 in the appendix of the paper) is a strengthening of Weak Representation and Strategyproofness in our concrete setting:

Let  $A$  be a preference profile containing approval lists  $X$  and let  $Z$  be a set of parties such that each element of  $Z$  is uniquely approved by at least two voters in  $A$ . Due to Weak Representation, at least  $|X \cap Z|$  members of the committee are then approved by  $X$ .

What the lemma now says is that if there exists another voter with approval list  $Y \subseteq X$  and  $Y \not\subseteq Z$ , then there is an additional committee member that is approved by  $X$ .

This lemma will be used both in our symmetry-breaking argument and as a means to add more clauses to the SAT instance. Since these clauses are logical consequences of Strategyproofness and Weak Representation, they are technically redundant – but their presence allows us to use consider a smaller set of profiles and still get a contradiction. Without using the lemma, we would need to feed more profiles to the SAT solver to obtain the same information.

```
lemma lemma2:  
  assumes A: is-pref-profile A  
  assumes X ∈ # A and Y ∈ # A - {#X#} and Y ⊆ X and ¬Y ⊆ Z  
  assumes Z: ∀ z ∈ Z. count A {z} ≥ 2  
  shows size (filter-mset (λx. x ∈ X) (r A)) > card (X ∩ Z)  
proof (rule ccontr)
```

For the sake of contradiction, suppose the number of elements approved by  $X$  were no larger than  $|X \cap Z|$ .

```
assume ¬size (filter-mset (λx. x ∈ X) (r A)) > card (X ∩ Z)  
hence le: size (filter-mset (λx. x ∈ X) (r A)) ≤ card (X ∩ Z)  
  by linarith
```

```

interpret anon-papp-profile 6 parties 3 A
  by fact
have  $Z \subseteq \text{parties}$ 
  using assms(1,6) by (meson is-committee-def order.trans rule-wf weak-representation')
have [simp]: finite Z
  by (rule finite-subset[OF - finite-parties]) fact

```

Due to Weak Representation, each member of  $X \cap Z$  must be chosen at least once. But due to the above, it cannot be chosen more than once. So it has to be chosen exactly once.

```

have X-approved-A-eq: filter-mset ( $\lambda x. x \in X$ ) (r A) = mset-set ( $X \cap Z$ )
proof -
  have mset-set  $Z \subseteq\#$  r A
    using Z weak-representation[OF A] by (subst mset-set-subset-iff) auto
  hence size (filter-mset ( $\lambda x. x \in X$ ) (mset-set Z))  $\leq$  size (filter-mset ( $\lambda x. x \in X$ ) (r A))
    by (intro size-mset-mono multiset-filter-mono)
  also have filter-mset ( $\lambda x. x \in X$ ) (mset-set Z) = mset-set  $\{x \in Z. x \in X\}$ 
    by simp
  also have  $\{x \in Z. x \in X\} = X \cap Z$ 
    by auto
  also have size (mset-set ( $X \cap Z$ )) = card ( $X \cap Z$ )
    by simp
  finally have size (filter-mset ( $\lambda x. x \in X$ ) (r A)) = card ( $X \cap Z$ )
    using le by linarith
  moreover have mset-set ( $X \cap Z$ )  $\subseteq\#$  filter-mset ( $\lambda x. x \in X$ ) (r A)
    using Z weak-representation[OF A] by (subst mset-set-subset-iff) auto
  ultimately show filter-mset ( $\lambda x. x \in X$ ) (r A) = mset-set ( $X \cap Z$ )
    by (intro mset-subset-size-ge-imp-eq [symmetric]) auto
qed

```

```

have count-eq-1: count (r A)  $x = 1$  if  $x \in X \cap Z$  for  $x$ 
  using that X-approved-A-eq
  by (metis  $\langle \text{finite } Z \rangle$  count-filter-mset count-mset-set' diff-is-0-eq diff-zero
    finite-subset inf-le2 not-one-le-zero)

```

Let  $x$  be some element of  $Y$  that is not in  $Z$ .

```

obtain  $x$  where  $x: x \in Y - Z$ 
  using  $\langle \neg Y \subseteq Z \rangle$  by blast
with assms have  $x': x \in X - Z$ 
  by auto
have [simp]:  $x \in \text{parties}$ 
  using A-subset assms(2)  $x'$  by blast

```

Let  $A'$  be the preference profile obtained by having voter  $X$  lying and pretending she only approves  $x$ .

```

define  $A'$  where  $A' = A - \{\#X\# \} + \{\#\{x\}\# \}$ 
have  $A'$ : is-pref-profile  $A'$ 
  using is-pref-profile-replace[OF A  $\langle X \in\# A \rangle$ , of  $\{x\}$ ] by (auto simp: A'-def)

```

We now show that even with this manipulated profile, the committee members approved by  $X$  are exactly the same as before:

**have**  $X$ -approved- $A'$ -eq:  $\text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in X) (r A') = \text{mset-set } (X \cap Z)$   
**proof** –

Every element of  $Z$  must still be in the result committee due to Weak Representation.

**have**  $\text{mset-set } Z \subseteq\# r A'$   
**proof** (*subst mset-set-subset-iff*)  
**show**  $Z \subseteq \text{set-mset } (r A')$   
**proof**  
**fix**  $z$  **assume**  $z: z \in Z$   
**from**  $x' z$  **have** [*simp*]:  $x \neq z$   
**by** *auto*  
**have** [*simp*]:  $X \neq \{z\}$   
**using**  $x'$  **by** *auto*  
**show**  $z \in\# r A'$   
**using**  $Z$  *weak-representation*[*OF A', of z*]  $z x x'$  **by** (*auto simp: A'-def*)  
**qed**  
**qed** *auto*

Thus the parties in  $X \cap Z$  must be in the committee (and they are approved by  $X$ ).

**have**  $\text{mset-set } (X \cap Z) \subseteq\# \text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in X) (r A')$   
**proof** –  
**have**  $\text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in X) (\text{mset-set } Z) \subseteq\# \text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in X) (r A')$   
**using**  $\langle \text{mset-set } Z \subseteq\# r A' \rangle$  **by** (*intro multiset-filter-mono*) *auto*  
**also have**  $\text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in X) (\text{mset-set } Z) = \text{mset-set } (X \cap Z)$   
**by** *auto*  
**finally show**  $\text{mset-set } (X \cap Z) \subseteq\# \text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in X) (r A')$  .  
**qed**

Due to Strategyproofness, no additional committee members can be approved by  $X$ , so indeed only  $X \cap Z$  is approved by  $X$ , and they each occur only once.

**moreover have**  $\neg \text{card-manipulable } A X \{x\}$   
**using** *not-manipulable* **by** *blast*  
**hence**  $\text{size } (\text{mset-set } (X \cap Z)) \geq \text{size } (\text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in X) (r A'))$  **using** *assms*  
**by** (*simp add: card-manipulable-def A'-def strong-committee-preference-iff not-less X-approved-A-eq*)  
**ultimately show**  $\text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in X) (r A') = \text{mset-set } (X \cap Z)$   
**by** (*metis mset-subset-size-ge-imp-eq*)  
**qed**

Next, we show that the set of committee members approved by  $Y$  in the committee returned for the manipulated profile is exactly  $Y \cap Z$  (and again, each party only occurs once).

**have**  $Y$ -approved- $A'$ -eq:  $\text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in Y) (r A') = \text{mset-set } (Y \cap Z)$   
**proof** –  
**have**  $\text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in Y) (\text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in X) (r A')) =$



```

    filter-mset (λx. x ∈ Y) (mset-set (X ∩ Z))
  by (simp only: X-approved-A'-eq)
  also have filter-mset (λx. x ∈ Y) (filter-mset (λx. x ∈ X) (r A')) =
    filter-mset (λx. x ∈ Y ∧ x ∈ X) (r A')
  by (simp add: filter-filter-mset conj-commute)
  also have (λx. x ∈ Y ∧ x ∈ X) = (λx. x ∈ Y)
  using assms by auto
  also have filter-mset (λx. x ∈ Y) (mset-set (X ∩ Z)) = mset-set (Y ∩ Z)
  using assms by auto
  finally show ?thesis .
qed

```

Next, define the profile  $A''$  obtained from  $A'$  by also having  $Y$  pretend to approve only  $x$ .

```

define A'' where A'' = A' - {#Y#} + {#{x}#}
have Y ∈# A'
  using assms by (auto simp: A'-def)
hence A'': is-pref-profile A''
  using is-pref-profile-replace[OF A', of Y {x}] by (auto simp: A''-def)

```

Again, the elements of  $Z$  must be chosen due to Weak Representation.

```

have Z ⊆ set-mset (r A'')
proof
  fix z assume z: z ∈ Z
  from x' z have [simp]: x ≠ z
  by auto
  have [simp]: X ≠ {z} Y ≠ {z}
  using x x' by auto
  show z ∈# r A''
  using Z weak-representation[OF A'', of z] z x x'
  by (auto simp: A''-def A'-def)
qed

```

But now additionally,  $x$  must be chosen, since both  $X$  and  $Y$  uniquely approve it.

```

moreover have x ∈# r A''
  using x x' ⟨Y ∈# A - {#X#}⟩ by (intro weak-representation A'') (auto simp: A''-def
A'-def)
ultimately have insert x (Y ∩ Z) ⊆ set-mset (r A'') ∩ Y
  using x by blast

```

Now we have a contradiction due to Strategyproofness, since  $Y$  can force the additional member  $x$  into the committee by lying.

```

hence mset-set (insert x (Y ∩ Z)) ⊆# filter-mset (λw. w ∈ Y) (r A'')
  by (subst mset-set-subset-iff) auto
hence size (mset-set (insert x (Y ∩ Z))) ≤ size (filter-mset (λw. w ∈ Y) (r A''))
  by (rule size-mset-mono)
hence size (filter-mset (λx. x ∈ Y) (r A'')) > size (filter-mset (λx. x ∈ Y) (r A'))
  using x by (simp add: Y-approved-A'-eq)

```

**hence** *card-manipulable*  $A' Y \{x\}$   
**using**  $A' x \langle Y \in\# A' \rangle$   
**unfolding** *card-manipulable-def strong-committee-preference-iff A''-def* **by** *auto*  
**thus** *False*  
**using** *not-manipulable* **by** *blast*  
**qed**

The following are merely reformulation of the above lemma for technical reasons.

**lemma** *lemma2'*:

**assumes** *is-pref-profile*  $A$   
**assumes**  $\forall z \in Z. \text{count } A \{z\} \geq 2$   
**assumes**  $X \in\# A \wedge (\exists Y. Y \in\# A - \{\#X\} \wedge Y \subseteq X \wedge \neg Y \subseteq Z)$   
**shows**  $\neg \text{filter-mset } (\lambda x. x \in X) (r A) \subseteq\# \text{mset-set } (X \cap Z)$

**proof**

**assume** *subset: filter-mset*  $(\lambda x. x \in X) (r A) \subseteq\# \text{mset-set } (X \cap Z)$   
**from** *assms(3)* **obtain**  $Y$  **where**  $Y: X \in\# A \ Y \in\# A - \{\#X\} \ Y \subseteq X \ \neg Y \subseteq Z$   
**by** *blast*  
**have**  $\text{card } (X \cap Z) < \text{size } \{\#x \in\# r A. x \in X\}$   
**by** (*rule lemma2[where Y = Y]*) (*use Y assms(1,2) in auto*)  
**with** *size-mset-mono[OF subset]* **show** *False*  
**by** *simp*

**qed**

**lemma** *lemma2''*:

**assumes** *is-pref-profile*  $A$   
**assumes**  $A' \equiv A$   
**assumes**  $\forall z \in Z. \text{count } A \{z\} \geq 2$   
**assumes**  $X \in\# A \wedge (\exists Y \in \text{set-mset } (A - \{\#X\}). Y \subseteq X \wedge \neg Y \subseteq Z)$   
**assumes** *filter-mset*  $(\lambda x. x \in X) W \subseteq\# \text{mset-set } (X \cap Z)$   
**shows**  $r A' \neq W$   
**using** *lemma2'[of A Z X] assms* **by** *auto*

### 3.3 Symmetry Breaking

In the following, we formalize the symmetry-breaking argument that shows that we can reorder the four alternatives  $C_1$  to  $C_4$  in such a way that the preference profile

$$\{C_1\} \ \{C_2\} \ \{C_1, C_2\} \ \{C_3\} \ \{C_3\} \ \{C_3, C_4\}$$

is mapped to one of the committees  $[C_1, C_1, C_3]$  or  $[C_1, C_2, C_3]$ .

We start with a simple technical lemma that states that if we have a multiset  $A$  of size 3 consisting of the elements  $x$  and  $y$  and  $x$  occurs at least as often as  $y$ , then  $A = [x, x, y]$ .

**lemma** *papp-multiset-3-aux*:

**assumes**  $\text{size } A = 3 \ x \in\# A \ y \in\# A \ \text{set-mset } A \subseteq \{x, y\} \ x \neq y \ \text{count } A \ x \geq \text{count } A \ y$   
**shows**  $A = \{\#x, x, y\}$

**proof** –

**have**  $\text{count } A \ x > 0$   
**using** *assms* **by** *force*

```

have size A = ( $\sum z \in \text{set-mset } A. \text{count } A z$ )
  by (rule size-multiset-overloaded-eq)
also have set-mset A = {x, y}
  using assms by auto
also have ( $\sum z \in \dots. \text{count } A z$ ) = count A x + count A y
  using assms by auto
finally have count A x + count A y = 3
  by (simp add: assms(1))
moreover from assms have count A x > 0 count A y > 0
  by auto
ultimately have *: count A x = 2  $\wedge$  count A y = 1
  using <count A x  $\geq$  count A y> by linarith
show ?thesis
proof (rule multiset-eqI)
  fix z show count A z = count {#x, x, y#} z
  proof (cases z  $\in$  {x, y})
    case False
    with assms have z  $\notin$  set-mset A
    by auto
    hence count A z = 0
    by (simp add: Multiset.not-in-iff)
    thus ?thesis
    using False by auto
  qed (use * in auto)
qed
qed

```

The following is the main symmetry-breaking result. It shows that we can find parties  $C_1$  to  $C_4$  with the desired property.

This is a somewhat ad-hoc argument; in the appendix of the paper this is done more systematically in Lemma 3.

**lemma** *symmetry-break-aux*:

```

obtains C1 C2 C3 C4 where
  parties = {C1, C2, C3, C4} distinct [C1, C2, C3, C4]
  r ({#{C1}, {C2}, {C1, C2}, {C3}, {C4}, {C3, C4}#})  $\in$  {{#{C1, C1, C3}#}, {#{C1, C2, C3}#}}
proof -
  note I = that
  have  $\exists xs. \text{set } xs = \text{parties} \wedge \text{distinct } xs$ 
  using finite-distinct-list[of parties] by blast
  then obtain xs where xs: set xs = parties distinct xs
  by blast
  from xs have length xs = 4
  using card-parties distinct-card[of xs] by auto
  then obtain C1 C2 C3 C4 where xs-eq: xs = [C1, C2, C3, C4]
  by (auto simp: eval-nat-numeral length-Suc-conv)
  have parties-eq: parties = {C1, C2, C3, C4}
  by (subst xs(1) [symmetric], subst xs-eq) auto
  have [simp]:

```

$C1 \neq C2$   $C1 \neq C3$   $C1 \neq C4$   
 $C2 \neq C1$   $C2 \neq C3$   $C2 \neq C4$   
 $C3 \neq C1$   $C3 \neq C2$   $C3 \neq C4$   
 $C4 \neq C1$   $C4 \neq C2$   $C4 \neq C3$   
**using**  $\langle \text{distinct } xs \rangle$  **unfolding**  $xs\text{-eq}$  **by**  $auto$

**define**  $A$  **where**  $A = \{\#\{C1\}, \{C2\}, \{C1, C2\}, \{C3\}, \{C4\}, \{C3, C4\}\#\}$   
**define**  $m$  **where**  $m = \text{Max} (\text{count} (r A) \text{ 'parties})$

**have**  $A$ :  $is\text{-pref-profile } A$   
**unfolding**  $A\text{-def}$   $is\text{-pref-profile-iff}$  **by**  $(simp \text{ add: parties-eq})$   
**hence**  $is\text{-committee} (r A)$   
**by**  $(rule \text{ rule-wf})$   
**hence**  $rA$ :  $size (r A) = 3$   $set\text{-mset} (r A) \subseteq \text{parties}$   
**unfolding**  $is\text{-committee-def}$  **by**  $auto$   
**define**  $X$  **where**  $X = set\text{-mset} (r A)$   
**have**  $X \neq \{\}$   $X \subseteq \text{parties}$   
**using**  $rA$  **by**  $(auto \text{ simp: } X\text{-def})$

**have**  $m > 0$   
**proof** –  
**obtain**  $x$  **where**  $x \in X$   
**using**  $\langle X \neq \{\} \rangle$  **by**  $blast$   
**with**  $\langle X \subseteq \text{parties} \rangle$  **have**  $C1 \in X \vee C2 \in X \vee C3 \in X \vee C4 \in X$   
**unfolding**  $parties\text{-eq}$  **by**  $blast$   
**thus**  $?thesis$   
**unfolding**  $m\text{-def}$   $X\text{-def}$  **by**  $(subst \text{ Max-gr-iff}) (auto \text{ simp: parties-eq})$   
**qed**

**have**  $m \leq 3$   
**proof** –  
**have**  $m \leq size (r A)$   
**unfolding**  $m\text{-def}$  **by**  $(subst \text{ Max-le-iff}) (auto \text{ simp: count-le-size})$   
**also have**  $\dots = 3$   
**by**  $fact$   
**finally show**  $?thesis$  .  
**qed**

**have**  $m \in (\text{count} (r A) \text{ 'parties})$   
**unfolding**  $m\text{-def}$  **by**  $(intro \text{ Max-in}) auto$   
**then obtain**  $C1'$  **where**  $C1'$ :  $\text{count} (r A) C1' = m$   $C1' \in \text{parties}$   
**by**  $blast$   
**have**  $C1' \in \# r A$   
**using**  $\langle m > 0 \rangle$   $C1'(1)$  **by**  $auto$

**have**  $\exists C2' \in \text{parties} - \{C1'\}. \{C1', C2'\} \in \# A$   
**using**  $C1'$  **unfolding**  $A\text{-def}$   $parties\text{-eq}$   
**by**  $(elim \text{ insertE; simp add: insert-Diff-if insert-commute})$   
**then obtain**  $C2'$  **where**  $C2'$ :  $C2' \in \text{parties} - \{C1'\}$   $\{C1', C2'\} \in \# A$

```

    by blast
  have [simp]:  $C1' \neq C2' \ C2' \neq C1'$ 
    using  $C2'$  by auto
  have disj:  $C1' = C1 \wedge C2' = C2 \vee C1' = C2 \wedge C2' = C1 \vee C1' = C3 \wedge C2' = C4 \vee C1' = C4 \wedge C2' = C3$ 
    using  $C1'(2) \ C2'$  unfolding A-def parties-eq
    by (elim insertE; force simp: insert-commute)

  obtain  $C3'$  where  $C3': C3' \in \text{parties} - \{C1', C2'\}$ 
    using  $C1'(2) \ C2'$  unfolding parties-eq by (fastforce simp: insert-Diff-iff)
  obtain  $C4'$  where  $C4': C4' \in \text{parties} - \{C1', C2', C3'\}$ 
    using  $C1'(2) \ C2' \ C3'$  unfolding parties-eq by (fastforce simp: insert-Diff-iff)
  have A-eq:  $A = \{\#\{C1'\}, \{C2'\}, \{C1', C2'\}, \{C3'\}, \{C4'\}, \{C3', C4'\}\#\}$ 
    using disj  $C3' \ C4'$ 
    by (elim disjE) (auto simp: A-def parties-eq insert-commute)
  have distinct:
     $C1' \neq C2' \ C1' \neq C3' \ C1' \neq C4'$ 
     $C2' \neq C1' \ C2' \neq C3' \ C2' \neq C4'$ 
     $C3' \neq C1' \ C3' \neq C2' \ C3' \neq C4'$ 
     $C4' \neq C1' \ C4' \neq C2' \ C4' \neq C3'$ 
    using  $C1' \ C2' \ C3' \ C4'$  by blast+
  have parties-eq':  $\text{parties} = \{C1', C2', C3', C4'\}$ 
    using  $C1'(2) \ C2'(1) \ C3' \ C4'$  distinct unfolding parties-eq by (elim insertE) auto

  have  $\neg\{\#x \in \# \ r \ A. \ x \in \{C3', C4'\}\#\} \subseteq \# \ \text{mset-set} (\{C3', C4'\} \cap \{\})$ 
    by (rule lemma2'[OF A]) (auto simp: A-eq)
  hence  $C34': C3' \in \# \ r \ A \vee C4' \in \# \ r \ A$ 
    by auto
  then consider  $C3' \in \# \ r \ A \ C4' \in \# \ r \ A \mid C3' \in \# \ r \ A \ C4' \notin \# \ r \ A \mid C3' \notin \# \ r \ A \ C4' \in \# \ r \ A$ 
  A
    by blast

  thus ?thesis
  proof cases
    assume *:  $C3' \in \# \ r \ A \ C4' \in \# \ r \ A$ 
    have  $r \ A = \{\#C3', C4', C1'\#\}$ 
      by (rule sym, rule mset-subset-size-ge-imp-eq)
      (use *  $\langle C1' \in \# \ r \ A \rangle$  distinct in
       $\langle \text{auto simp: } \langle \text{size } (r \ A) = 3 \rangle \ \text{Multiset.insert-subset-eq-iff in-diff-multiset-absorb2} \rangle$ )
    thus ?thesis using distinct
      by (intro that[of  $C3' \ C4' \ C1' \ C2'$ ])
      (auto simp: parties-eq' A-eq add-mset-commute insert-commute)

  next

    assume *:  $C3' \in \# \ r \ A \ C4' \notin \# \ r \ A$ 
    show ?thesis
    proof (cases  $C2' \in \# \ r \ A$ )
      case True

```

```

have  $r A = \{\#C1', C2', C3'\#\}$ 
  by (rule sym, rule mset-subset-size-ge-imp-eq)
    (use *  $\langle C1' \in \# r A \rangle$  distinct True in
       $\langle$ auto simp:  $\langle$ size  $(r A) = 3 \rangle$  Multiset.insert-subset-eq-iff in-diff-multiset-absorb2 $\rangle$ )
thus ?thesis using distinct
  by (intro that[ $of C1' C2' C3' C4'$ ])
    (auto simp: parties-eq' A-eq add-mset-commute insert-commute)
next
case False
have  $r A = \{\#C1', C1', C3'\#\}$ 
proof (rule papp-multiset-3-aux)
  show  $set\text{-}mset (r A) \subseteq \{C1', C3'\}$ 
    using  $\langle set\text{-}mset (r A) \subseteq \rightarrow * False$  unfolding parties-eq' by auto
next
  have  $count (r A) C3' \leq m$ 
    unfolding m-def by (subst Max-ge-iff) (auto simp: parties-eq')
  also have  $m = count (r A) C1'$ 
    by (simp add: C1')
  finally show  $count (r A) C3' \leq count (r A) C1'$  .
qed (use C1' * False  $\langle C1' \in \# r A \rangle$  distinct in  $\langle$ auto simp:  $\langle$ size  $(r A) = 3 \rangle$  $\rangle$ )
thus ?thesis using distinct
  by (intro that[ $of C1' C2' C3' C4'$ ])
    (auto simp: parties-eq' insert-commute add-mset-commute A-eq)
qed

```

**next**

```

assume *:  $C3' \notin \# r A C4' \in \# r A$ 
show ?thesis
proof (cases  $C2' \in \# r A$ )
  case True
  have  $r A = \{\#C1', C2', C4'\#\}$ 
    by (rule sym, rule mset-subset-size-ge-imp-eq)
      (use *  $\langle C1' \in \# r A \rangle$  distinct True in
         $\langle$ auto simp:  $\langle$ size  $(r A) = 3 \rangle$  Multiset.insert-subset-eq-iff in-diff-multiset-absorb2 $\rangle$ )
  thus ?thesis using distinct
    by (intro that[ $of C1' C2' C4' C3'$ ])
      (auto simp: parties-eq' A-eq add-mset-commute insert-commute)
next
case False
have  $r A = \{\#C1', C1', C4'\#\}$ 
proof (rule papp-multiset-3-aux)
  show  $set\text{-}mset (r A) \subseteq \{C1', C4'\}$ 
    using  $\langle set\text{-}mset (r A) \subseteq \rightarrow * False$  unfolding parties-eq' by auto
next
  have  $count (r A) C4' \leq m$ 
    unfolding m-def by (subst Max-ge-iff) (auto simp: parties-eq')
  also have  $m = count (r A) C1'$ 
    by (simp add: C1')

```

**finally show**  $\text{count } (r A) C_4' \leq \text{count } (r A) C_1'$ .  
**qed** (use  $C_1' * \text{False} \langle C_1' \in \# r A \rangle \text{distinct in } \langle \text{auto simp: } \langle \text{size } (r A) = 3 \rangle \rangle$ )  
**thus ?thesis using** *distinct*  
**by** (intro *that*[of  $C_1' C_2' C_4' C_3'$ ])  
 (auto simp: *parties-eq' insert-commute add-mset-commute A-eq*)  
**qed**  
**qed**  
**qed**

We now use the choice operator to get our hands on such values  $C_1$  to  $C_4$ .

**definition**  $C_{1234}$  **where**

$C_{1234} = (\text{SOME } xs. \text{set } xs = \text{parties} \wedge \text{distinct } xs \wedge$   
 (case  $xs$  of  $[C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4] \Rightarrow$   
 $r (\{\#\{C_1\}, \{C_2\}, \{C_1, C_2\}, \{C_3\}, \{C_4\}, \{C_3, C_4\}\#\}) \in \{\{\#C_1, C_1, C_3\#\},$   
 $\{\#C_1, C_2, C_3\}\#\}))$ )

**definition**  $C_1$  **where**  $C_1 = C_{1234} ! 0$

**definition**  $C_2$  **where**  $C_2 = C_{1234} ! 1$

**definition**  $C_3$  **where**  $C_3 = C_{1234} ! 2$

**definition**  $C_4$  **where**  $C_4 = C_{1234} ! 3$

**lemma** *distinct*:  $\text{distinct } [C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4]$

**and** *parties-eq*:  $\text{parties} = \{C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4\}$

**and** *symmetry-break*:

$r (\{\#\{C_1\}, \{C_2\}, \{C_1, C_2\}, \{C_3\}, \{C_4\}, \{C_3, C_4\}\#\}) \in \{\{\#C_1, C_1, C_3\#\}, \{\#C_1,$   
 $C_2, C_3\}\#\}$

**proof** –

**have**  $C_{1234}$ :

$\text{set } C_{1234} = \text{parties} \wedge \text{distinct } C_{1234} \wedge$

(case  $C_{1234}$  of  $[C_1', C_2', C_3', C_4'] \Rightarrow$

$r (\{\#\{C_1'\}, \{C_2'\}, \{C_1', C_2'\}, \{C_3'\}, \{C_4'\}, \{C_3', C_4'\}\#\}) \in$   
 $\{\{\#C_1', C_1', C_3'\#\}, \{\#C_1', C_2', C_3'\}\#\}$ )

**unfolding**  $C_{1234}$ -def

**proof** (rule *someI-ex*)

**obtain**  $C_1' C_2' C_3' C_4'$  **where** \*:

$\text{parties} = \{C_1', C_2', C_3', C_4'\} \text{distinct } [C_1', C_2', C_3', C_4']$

$r (\{\#\{C_1'\}, \{C_2'\}, \{C_1', C_2'\}, \{C_3'\}, \{C_4'\}, \{C_3', C_4'\}\#\}) \in$   
 $\{\{\#C_1', C_1', C_3'\#\}, \{\#C_1', C_2', C_3'\}\#\}$

**using** *symmetry-break-aux* **by** *blast*

**show**  $\exists xs. \text{set } xs = \text{parties} \wedge \text{distinct } xs \wedge$

(case  $xs$  of  $[C_1', C_2', C_3', C_4'] \Rightarrow$

$r (\{\#\{C_1'\}, \{C_2'\}, \{C_1', C_2'\}, \{C_3'\}, \{C_4'\}, \{C_3', C_4'\}\#\}) \in$   
 $\{\{\#C_1', C_1', C_3'\#\}, \{\#C_1', C_2', C_3'\}\#\}$ )

**by** (intro *exI*[of -  $[C_1', C_2', C_3', C_4']$ ]) (use \* in *auto*)

**qed**

**have**  $\text{length } C_{1234} = 4$

**using**  $C_{1234}$  *card-parties distinct-card*[of  $C_{1234}$ ] **by** *simp*

**then obtain**  $C_1' C_2' C_3' C_4'$  **where**  $C_{1234}$ -eq:  $C_{1234} = [C_1', C_2', C_3', C_4']$

by (auto simp: eval-nat-numeral length-Suc-conv)  
 show distinct [C1, C2, C3, C4] parties = {C1, C2, C3, C4}  
   r ({#{C1}, {C2}, {C1, C2}, {C3}, {C4}, {C3, C4}#}) ∈ {{#C1, C1, C3#}, {#C1,  
 C2, C3#}}  
 using C1234 by (simp-all add: C1234-eq C1-def C2-def C3-def C4-def)  
 qed

**lemma** distinct' [simp]:  
 C1 ≠ C2 C1 ≠ C3 C1 ≠ C4 C2 ≠ C1 C2 ≠ C3 C2 ≠ C4  
 C3 ≠ C1 C3 ≠ C2 C3 ≠ C4 C4 ≠ C1 C4 ≠ C2 C4 ≠ C3  
 using distinct by auto

**lemma** in-parties [simp]: C1 ∈ parties C2 ∈ parties C3 ∈ parties C4 ∈ parties  
 by (subst (2) parties-eq; simp; fail)+

### 3.4 The Set of Possible Committees

Next, we compute the set of the 20 possible committees.

**abbreviation** COM where COM ≡ committees 3 parties

**definition** COM' where COM' =  
 {#{C1, C1, C1#}, {#C1, C1, C2#}, {#C1, C1, C3#}, {#C1, C1, C4#},  
 {#C1, C2, C2#}, {#C1, C2, C3#}, {#C1, C2, C4#}, {#C1, C3, C3#},  
 {#C1, C3, C4#}, {#C1, C4, C4#}, {#C2, C2, C2#}, {#C2, C2, C3#},  
 {#C2, C2, C4#}, {#C2, C3, C3#}, {#C2, C3, C4#}, {#C2, C4, C4#},  
 {#C3, C3, C3#}, {#C3, C3, C4#}, {#C3, C4, C4#},  
 {#C4, C4, C4#}}

**lemma** distinct-COM': distinct COM'  
 by (simp add: COM'-def add-mset-neq)

**lemma** COM-eq: COM = set COM'  
 by (subst parties-eq)  
 (simp-all add: COM'-def numeral-3-eq-3 committees-Suc add-ac insert-commute add-mset-commute)

**lemma** r-in-COM:  
 assumes is-pref-profile A  
 shows r A ∈ COM  
 using rule-wf[OF assms] unfolding committees-def is-committee-def by auto

**lemma** r-in-COM':  
 assumes is-pref-profile A A' ≡ A  
 shows list-ex (λW. r A' = W) COM'  
 using r-in-COM[OF assms(1)] assms(2) by (auto simp: list-ex-iff COM-eq)

**lemma** r-right-unique:  
 list-all (λ(W1, W2). r A ≠ W1 ∨ r A ≠ W2) (pairs COM')

**proof** –  
 have list-all (λ(W1, W2). W1 ≠ W2) (pairs COM')



```

    using distinct-COM' unfolding distinct-conv-pairs by blast
  thus ?thesis
    unfolding list-all-iff by blast
qed

end

```

### 3.5 Generating Clauses and Replaying the SAT Proof

We now employ some custom-written ML code to generate all the SAT clauses arising from the given profiles (read from an external file) as Isabelle/HOL theorems. From these, we then derive *False* by replaying an externally found SAT proof (also written from an external file).

The proof was found with the glucose SAT solver, which outputs proofs in the DRUP format (a subset of the more powerful DRAT format). We then used the *DRAT-trim* tool by Wetzler et al. [2] to make the proof smaller. This was done repeatedly until the proof size did not decrease any longer. Then, the proof was converted into the *GRAT* format introduced by Lammich [1], which is easier to check (or in our case replay) than the less explicit DRAT (or DRUP) format.

```

external-file sat-data/profiles
external-file sat-data/papp-impossibility.grat.xz

```

```

context papp-impossibility-base-case
begin

```

```

ML-file <papp-impossibility.ML>

```

This invocation proves a theorem called *contradiction* whose statement is *False*. Note that the DIMACS version of the SAT file that is being generated can be viewed by clicking on “See theory exports” in the messages output by the invocation below.

On a 2021 desktop PC with 12 cores, proving all the clauses takes 8.4s (multithreaded; CPU time 55 s). Replaying the proof takes 130 s (singlethreaded).

```

local-setup <fn lthy =>
  let
    val thm =
      PAPP-Impossibility.derive-false lthy
      (master-dir + path <sat-data/profiles>)
      (master-dir + path <sat-data/papp-impossibility.grat.xz>)
    in
      Local-Theory.note ((binding <contradiction>, []), [thm]) lthy |> snd
    end
  >

```

```

end

```

With this, we can now prove the impossibility result:

```

lemma papp-impossibility-base-case:
  assumes card parties = 4
  shows  $\neg$ card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp 6 parties 3 r
proof
  assume card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp 6 parties 3 r
  then interpret card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp 6 parties 3 r .
  interpret papp-impossibility-base-case parties r
    by unfold-locales fact+
  show False
    by (rule contradiction)
qed

end

```

## 4 Lowering P-APP Rules to Smaller Settings

```

theory Anonymous-PAPP-Lowering
  imports Anonymous-PAPP
begin

```

In this section, we prove a number of lemmas (corresponding to Lemma 1 in the paper) that allow us to take an anonymous P-APP rule with some additional properties (typically Cardinality-Strategyproofness and Weak Representation or Weak Proportional Representation) and construct from it an anonymous P-APP rule for a different setting, i.e. different number of voters, parties, and/or result committee size.

In the reverse direction, this also allows us to lift impossibility results from one setting to another.

### 4.1 Preliminary Lemmas

```

context card-stratproof-anon-papp
begin

```

The following lemma is obtained by applying Strategyproofness repeatedly. It shows that if we have  $l$  voters with identical approval lists, then this entire group of voters has no incentive to submit wrong preferences. That is, the outcome they obtain by submitting their genuine approval lists is weakly preferred by them over all outcomes obtained where these  $l$  voters submit any other preferences (and the remaining  $n - l$  voters submit the same preferences as before).

This is stronger than regular Strategyproofness, where we only demand that no voter has an incentive to submit wrong preferences *unilaterally* (and everyone else keeps the same preferences). Here we know that the entire group of  $l$  voters has no incentive to submit wrong preferences in coordination with one another.

```

lemma proposition2:
  assumes size B = l size A + l = n-voters
  assumes  $X \neq \{\}$   $X \subseteq \text{parties } \{\}$   $\notin \# A+B \forall X' \in \# A+B. X' \subseteq \text{parties}$ 

```

```

shows  $r$  (replicate-mset  $l$   $X + A$ )  $\succeq$ [Comm( $X$ )]  $r$  ( $B + A$ )
using assms
proof (induction  $l$  arbitrary:  $A$   $B$ )
  case  $0$ 
  thus ?case
    by simp
next
  case (Suc  $l$   $A$   $B$ )
  from Suc.prems have set-mset  $B \neq \{\}$ 
    by auto
  then obtain  $Y$  where  $Y: Y \in \# B$ 
    by blast
  define  $B'$  where  $B' = B - \{\#Y\}$ 
  define  $A'$  where  $A' = A + \{\#Y\}$ 
  have [simp]: size  $B' = l$ 
    using Suc.prems  $Y$  by (simp add:  $B'$ -def size-Diff-singleton)
  have [simp]: size  $A' = n$ -voters  $- l$ 
    using Suc.prems  $Y$  by (simp add:  $A'$ -def)

  have  $r$  ( $B' + A'$ )  $\preceq$ [Comm( $X$ )]  $r$  (replicate-mset  $l$   $X + A'$ )
    by (rule Suc.IH) (use Suc.prems  $Y$  in  $\langle$ auto simp:  $A'$ -def  $B'$ -def size-Diff-singleton $\rangle$ )
  also have  $B' + A' = B + A$ 
    using  $Y$  by (simp add:  $B'$ -def  $A'$ -def)
  also have  $r$  (replicate-mset  $l$   $X + A'$ )  $\preceq$ [Comm( $X$ )]  $r$  (replicate-mset (Suc  $l$ )  $X + A$ )
  proof (rule not-manipulable'')
    show replicate-mset (Suc  $l$ )  $X + A + \{\#Y\} =$  replicate-mset  $l$   $X + A' + \{\#X\}$ 
      by (simp add:  $A'$ -def)
  next
    show is-pref-profile (replicate-mset (Suc  $l$ )  $X + A$ )
      using Suc.prems by unfold-locales (auto split: if-splits)
  next
    show is-pref-profile (replicate-mset  $l$   $X + A'$ )
      using Suc.prems  $Y$  by unfold-locales (auto split: if-splits simp:  $A'$ -def)
  qed
  finally show ?case .
qed
end

```

```

context card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp
begin

```

In a setting with Weak Representation and Cardinality-Strategyproofness, Proposition 2 allows us to strengthen Weak Representation in the following way: Suppose we at least  $l \lfloor n/k \rfloor$  voters with the same approval list  $X$ , and  $X$  consists of at least  $l$  parties. Then at least  $l$  of the members of the result committee are in  $X$ .

**lemma** *proposition3*:

**assumes** *is-pref-profile*  $A$   $X \subseteq$  *parties* *card*  $X \geq l$

```

assumes committee-size > 0
assumes count A X ≥ l * ⌈n-voters / committee-size⌉
shows size {# x ∈ # r A. x ∈ X #} ≥ l
using assms
proof (induction l arbitrary: A X rule: less-induct)
case (less l A X)
interpret A: anon-papp-profile n-voters parties committee-size A
  by fact
consider l = 0 | l = 1 | l > 1
  by force
thus ?case
proof cases
  assume l = 0
  thus ?thesis by simp
next
  assume [simp]: l = 1
  define n where n = count A X
  with less.prems have X ≠ {}
    by auto
  then obtain x where x: x ∈ X
    by blast
  have n ≤ size A
    unfolding n-def by (rule count-le-size)
  hence n ≤ n-voters
    by (simp add: A.size-A)

  have count A X > 0
    by (rule Nat.gr0I) (use n-voters-pos less.prems in ⟨auto simp: field-simps⟩)
  hence X ∈ # A
    by force
  have [simp]: replicate-mset n X ⊆ # A
    by (simp add: n-def flip: count-le-replicate-mset-subset-eq)

  define A'' where A'' = A - replicate-mset n X
  define A' where A' = A'' + replicate-mset n {x}
  interpret A': anon-papp-profile n-voters parties committee-size A'
    using A.A-nonempty A.A-subset A.size-A x ⟨X ∈ # A⟩
    by unfold-locales
      (fastforce simp: A'-def A''-def size-Diff-submset subset-mset.add-increasing2
        split: if-splits dest!: in-diffD)+

  have x ∈ # r A'
  proof (rule weak-representation)
    show is-pref-profile A'
      by (fact A'.anon-papp-profile-axioms)
  next
    have n-voters ≤ committee-size * n
      using less.prems by (simp add: n-def ceiling-le-iff field-simps flip: of-nat-mult)
    also have n ≤ count A' {x}

```

by (simp add: A'-def)  
 finally show  $n\text{-voters} \leq \text{committee-size} * \text{count } A' \{x\}$   
 by simp  
 qed  
 hence  $1 \leq \text{count } (r A') x$   
 by simp  
 also have  $\dots = \text{size } \{\# y \in \# r A'. y = x \#\}$   
 by simp  
 also have  $\dots \leq \text{size } \{\# y \in \# r A'. y \in X \#\}$   
 by (intro size-mset-mono multiset-filter-mono') (use x in auto)

also have  $r A' \preceq[\text{Comm}(X)] r A$   
 proof -  
 have  $r (\text{replicate-mset } n \{x\} + A'') \preceq[\text{Comm}(X)] r (\text{replicate-mset } n X + A'')$   
 proof (rule proposition2)  
 show  $\{\} \notin \# A'' + \text{replicate-mset } n \{x\}$   
 using A'.A-nonempty by (auto simp: A'-def)  
 show  $\forall X' \in \# A'' + \text{replicate-mset } n \{x\}. X' \subseteq \text{parties}$   
 using A'.A-subset x by (auto simp: A'-def dest: in-diffD)  
 show  $\text{size } A'' + n = n\text{-voters}$   
 using  $\langle n \leq n\text{-voters} \rangle$  by (auto simp: A''-def size-Diff-submset A.size-A)  
 qed (use less.premis in auto)  
 also have  $\text{replicate-mset } n X + A'' = A$   
 by (simp add: A''-def n-def flip: count-le-replicate-mset-subset-eq)  
 finally show ?thesis  
 by (simp add: A'-def add-ac)

qed  
 hence  $\text{size } \{\# y \in \# r A'. y \in X \#\} \leq \text{size } \{\# y \in \# r A. y \in X \#\}$   
 by (simp add: committee-preference-def)

finally show ?thesis  
 by simp

next

assume  $l: l > 1$

define  $n$  where  $n = \text{count } A X$

have  $n \leq \text{size } A$

unfolding n-def by (rule count-le-size)

hence  $n \leq n\text{-voters}$

by (simp add: A.size-A)

define  $m$  where  $m = \text{nat } (\text{ceiling } (n\text{-voters} / \text{committee-size}))$

have  $n\text{-voters} / \text{committee-size} \leq m$

unfolding m-def by linarith

hence  $m: n\text{-voters} \leq \text{committee-size} * m$

using  $\langle \text{committee-size} > 0 \rangle$  by (simp add: field-simps flip: of-nat-mult)

have  $\text{real } n\text{-voters} / \text{real } \text{committee-size} > 0$

using n-voters-pos less.premis by auto

```

hence  $m'$ :  $\lceil \text{real } n\text{-voters} / \text{real committee-size} \rceil = \text{int } m$ 
  by (simp add: m-def)
have  $1 * m \leq l * m$ 
  using  $l$  by (intro mult-right-mono) auto
also have  $l * m \leq n$ 
  using less.prems by (simp add: m' n-def flip: of-nat-mult)
finally have  $m \leq n$ 
  by simp

with less.prems  $l$  have  $X \neq \{\}$ 
  by auto
then obtain  $x$  where  $x: x \in X$ 
  by blast
have  $\text{card } (X - \{x\}) > 0$ 
  using less.prems  $x$   $l$  by simp
hence  $X - \{x\} \neq \{\}$ 
  by force

have  $\text{count } A \ X > 0$ 
  by (rule Nat.gr0I) (use n-voters-pos less.prems  $l$  in  $\langle \text{auto simp: field-simps mult-le-0-iff} \rangle$ )
hence  $X \in\# A$ 
  by force
have [simp]: replicate-mset  $n$   $X \subseteq\# A$ 
  by (simp add: n-def flip: count-le-replicate-mset-subset-eq)

define  $A''$  where  $A'' = A - \text{replicate-mset } n \ X$ 
define  $A'$  where  $A' = A'' + \text{replicate-mset } m \ \{x\} + \text{replicate-mset } (n - m) \ (X - \{x\})$ 
interpret  $A'$ : anon-papp-profile  $n$ -voters parties committee-size  $A'$ 
proof
  show  $Y \subseteq \text{parties}$  if  $Y \in\# A'$  for  $Y$ 
    using that  $A.A\text{-subset } x \ \langle X \in\# A \rangle$ 
    by (fastforce simp: A'-def A''-def dest!: in-diffD split: if-splits)
  next
    show  $\{\} \notin\# A'$ 
    using  $A.A\text{-nonempty } x \ \langle X \in\# A \rangle \ \langle X - \{x\} \neq \{\} \rangle$ 
    by (auto simp: A'-def A''-def dest!: in-diffD split: if-splits)
  next
    show  $\text{size } A' = n\text{-voters}$ 
    using  $\langle m \leq n \rangle$ 
    by (auto simp: A'-def A''-def A.size-A subset-mset.add-increasing2 size-Diff-submset)
qed

have  $x \in\# r \ A'$ 
proof (rule weak-representation)
  show is-pref-profile  $A'$ 
    by (fact A'.anon-papp-profile-axioms)
  next
    have  $n\text{-voters} \leq \text{committee-size} * m$ 
    by (fact m)

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**also have**  $m \leq \text{count } A' \{x\}$   
**by** (*simp add: A'-def*)  
**finally show**  $n\text{-voters} \leq \text{committee-size} * \text{count } A' \{x\}$   
**by** *simp*  
**qed**  
**hence**  $1 \leq \text{count } (r A') x$   
**by** *simp*  
**also have**  $\dots = \text{size } \{\# y \in \# r A'. y = x \#\}$   
**by** *simp*  
**finally have**  $1: \text{size } \{\# y \in \# r A'. y = x \#\} \geq 1$  .

**have**  $2: \text{size } \{\# y \in \# r A'. y \in X - \{x\} \#\} \geq l - 1$   
**proof** (*rule less.IH*)  
**have**  $\text{int } (l - 1) * \lceil \text{real } n\text{-voters} / \text{real } \text{committee-size} \rceil = \text{int } ((l - 1) * m)$   
**by** (*auto simp add: m' not-less*)  
**also have**  $(l - 1) * m = l * m - m$   
**by** (*simp add: algebra-simps*)  
**also have**  $l * m \leq n$   
**using** *less.prem*s **by** (*simp add: m' n-def flip: of-nat-mult*)  
**hence**  $l * m - m \leq n - m$   
**by** (*meson diff-le-mono*)  
**also have**  $n - m \leq \text{count } A' (X - \{x\})$   
**by** (*simp add: A'-def A''-def*)  
**finally show**  $\text{int } (l - 1) * \lceil \text{real } n\text{-voters} / \text{real } \text{committee-size} \rceil \leq \text{int } (\text{count } A' (X - \{x\}))$   
**by** *simp*  
**qed** (*use l A'.anon-papp-profile-axioms x less.prem*s **in**  $\langle \text{auto} \rangle$ )

**have**  $1 + (l - 1) \leq \text{size } \{\# y \in \# r A'. y = x \#\} + \text{size } \{\# y \in \# r A'. y \in X - \{x\} \#\}$   
**by** (*intro add-mono 1 2*)  
**also have**  $\dots = \text{size } (\{\# y \in \# r A'. y = x \#\} + \{\# y \in \# r A'. y \in X - \{x\} \#\})$   
**by** *simp*  
**also have**  $\{\# y \in \# r A'. y = x \#\} + \{\# y \in \# r A'. y \in X - \{x\} \#\} =$   
 $\{\# y \in \# r A'. y = x \vee y \in X - \{x\} \#\}$   
**by** (*rule filter-mset-disjunction [symmetric]*) *auto*  
**also have**  $(\lambda y. y = x \vee y \in X - \{x\}) = (\lambda y. y \in X)$   
**using**  $x$  **by** *auto*  
**also have**  $1 + (l - 1) = l$   
**using**  $l$  **by** *simp*

**also have**  $r A' \preceq[\text{Comm}(X)] r A$   
**proof** –  
**have**  $r (\text{replicate-mset } m \{x\} + \text{replicate-mset } (n - m) (X - \{x\}) + A'') \preceq[\text{Comm}(X)]$   
 $r (\text{replicate-mset } n X + A'')$   
**proof** (*rule proposition2*)  
**show**  $\{\} \notin \# A'' + (\text{replicate-mset } m \{x\} + \text{replicate-mset } (n - m) (X - \{x\}))$   
**using**  $A'.A\text{-nonempty}$  **by** (*auto simp: A'-def*)  
**show**  $\forall X' \in \# A'' + (\text{replicate-mset } m \{x\} + \text{replicate-mset } (n - m) (X - \{x\})). X' \subseteq$   
*parties*

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    using A'.A-subset x by (auto simp: A'-def dest: in-diffD)
  show size A'' + n = n-voters
    using ⟨n ≤ n-voters⟩ by (auto simp: A''-def size-Diff-submset A.size-A)
qed (use less.premis l ⟨m ≤ n⟩ in auto)
also have replicate-mset n X + A'' = A
  by (simp add: A''-def n-def flip: count-le-replicate-mset-subset-eq)
finally show ?thesis
  by (simp add: A'-def add-ac)
qed
hence size {# y ∈# r A'. y ∈ X #} ≤ size {# y ∈# r A. y ∈ X #}
  by (simp add: committee-preference-def)

finally show ?thesis
  by simp
qed
qed
end

```

## 4.2 Dividing the number of voters

If we have a PAPP rule that satisfies weak representation and cardinality strategyproofness, for  $ln$  voters, we can turn it into one for  $n$  voters. This is done by simply cloning each voter  $l$  times.

Consequently, if we have an impossibility result for  $n$  voters, it also holds for any integer multiple of  $n$ .

```

locale divide-voters-card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp =
  card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp l * n-voters parties committee-size r
  for l n-voters parties committee-size r
begin

```

```

definition lift-profile :: 'a set multiset ⇒ 'a set multiset where
  lift-profile A = (∑ X ∈# A. replicate-mset l X)

```

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sublocale lowered: anon-papp-election n-voters parties
  by standard (use n-voters-pos in auto)

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lemma l-pos: l > 0
  using n-voters-pos by auto

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lemma empty-in-lift-profile-iff [simp]: {} ∈# lift-profile A ⟷ {} ∈# A
  using l-pos by (auto simp: lift-profile-def)

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lemma set-mset-lift-profile [simp]: set-mset (lift-profile A) = set-mset A
  using l-pos by (auto simp: lift-profile-def)

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lemma size-lift-profile: size (lift-profile A) = l * size A
  by (simp add: size-mset-sum-mset lift-profile-def image-mset.compositionality o-def)

```



**lemma** *count-lift-profile* [*simp*]: *count (lift-profile A) x = l \* count A x*  
**unfolding** *lift-profile-def* **by** (*induction A*) *auto*

**lemma** *is-pref-profile-lift-profile* [*intro*]:

**assumes** *lowered.is-pref-profile A*

**shows** *is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)*

**proof** –

**interpret** *anon-papp-profile n-voters parties committee-size A*

**by** *fact*

**show** *?thesis*

**using** *A-nonempty A-subset size-A*

**by** *unfold-locales*

(*auto simp: lift-profile-def size-mset-sum-mset image-mset.compositionality o-def*)

**qed**

**sublocale** *lowered: anon-papp n-voters parties committee-size r o lift-profile*

**proof**

**fix** *A* **assume** *lowered.is-pref-profile A*

**hence** *is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)*

**by** *blast*

**hence** *is-committee (r (lift-profile A))*

**using** *rule-wf* **by** *blast*

**thus** *lowered.is-committee ((r o lift-profile) A)*

**by** *simp*

**qed**

**sublocale** *lowered: weak-rep-anon-papp n-voters parties committee-size r o lift-profile*

**proof**

**fix** *A x*

**assume** *A: lowered.is-pref-profile A* **and** *x: n-voters ≤ committee-size \* count A {x}*

**from** *A* **have** *A': is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)*

**by** *blast*

**from** *x* **have** *l \* n-voters ≤ l \* (committee-size \* count A {x})*

**by** (*rule mult-left-mono*) *auto*

**also** **have** *... = committee-size \* count (lift-profile A) {x}*

**by** *simp*

**finally** **have** *x ∈# r (lift-profile A)*

**by** (*intro weak-representation A'*)

**thus** *x ∈# (r o lift-profile) A*

**by** *simp*

**qed**

**sublocale** *lowered: card-stratproof-anon-papp n-voters parties committee-size r o lift-profile*

**proof**

**fix** *A X Y*

**show**  $\neg$ *lowered.card-manipulable A X Y*

**unfolding** *lowered.card-manipulable-def*

**proof** (*rule notI, elim conjE*)

```

assume  $A$ : lowered.is-pref-profile  $A$  and  $XY$ :  $X \in \# A$   $Y \neq \{\}$   $Y \subseteq \text{parties}$ 
assume *: ( $r \circ \text{lift-profile}$ )  $A \prec$ [lowered.committee-preference  $X$ ]
      ( $r \circ \text{lift-profile}$ ) ( $A - \{\#X\} + \{\#Y\}$ )
interpret anon-papp-profile  $n$ -voters  $\text{parties}$  committee-size  $A$ 
  by fact
have  $X$ :  $X \neq \{\}$   $X \subseteq \text{parties}$ 
  using  $XY$   $A$ -nonempty  $A$ -subset by auto

define  $A'$  where  $A' = A - \{\#X\}$ 
have  $A'$ :  $A = A' + \{\#X\}$ 
  using  $XY$  by (simp add: A'-def)

have  $r$  ( $\text{lift-profile}$   $A$ )  $\prec$ [committee-preference  $X$ ]
       $r$  ( $\text{lift-profile}$  ( $A - \{\#X\} + \{\#Y\}$ ))
  using * by simp
also have  $r$  ( $\text{lift-profile}$  ( $A - \{\#X\} + \{\#Y\}$ ))  $\preceq$ [committee-preference  $X$ ]
       $r$  ( $\text{lift-profile}$   $A - \{\#X\} + \{\#Y\}$ )
proof -
  have  $r$  ( $\text{replicate-mset}$  ( $l - 1$ )  $Y + (\text{lift-profile } A' + \{\#Y\})$ )  $\preceq$ [committee-preference  $X$ ]
       $r$  ( $\text{replicate-mset}$  ( $l - 1$ )  $X + (\text{lift-profile } A' + \{\#Y\})$ )
  proof (rule proposition2)
    show  $\text{size} (\text{lift-profile } A' + \{\#Y\}) + (l - 1) = l * n\text{-voters}$ 
    using  $XY$   $l$ -pos  $n$ -voters-pos
    by (simp add: A'-def size-lift-profile size-Diff-singleton
      algebra-simps Suc-diff-le size-A)
  next
    show  $\{\} \notin \# \text{lift-profile } A' + \{\#Y\} + \text{replicate-mset} (l - 1) Y$ 
    using  $XY$   $A$ -nonempty by (auto simp: A'-def dest: in-diffD)
  next
    show  $\forall X' \in \# \text{lift-profile } A' + \{\#Y\} + \text{replicate-mset} (l - 1) Y. X' \subseteq \text{parties}$ 
    using  $XY$   $A$ -subset by (auto simp: A'-def dest: in-diffD)
  qed (use X in auto)
  thus ?thesis
  by (simp add: A' replicate-mset-rec l-pos lift-profile-def)
qed
finally have card-manipulable ( $\text{lift-profile } A$ )  $X$   $Y$ 
  unfolding card-manipulable-def using  $XY$   $A$  by auto
with not-manipulable show False
  by blast
qed
qed

sublocale lowered: card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp  $n$ -voters  $\text{parties}$  committee-size  $r \circ \text{lift-profile}$ 
..
end

locale divide-voters-card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp =

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    card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp l * n-voters parties committee-size r
  for l n-voters parties committee-size r
begin

sublocale divide-voters-card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp ..

sublocale lowered: card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp
  n-voters parties committee-size r o lift-profile
proof
  fix A x l'
  assume A: lowered.is-pref-profile A and x: l' * n-voters ≤ committee-size * count A {x}
  from A have A': is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)
  by blast
  from x have l * (l' * n-voters) ≤ l * (committee-size * count A {x})
  by (rule mult-left-mono) auto
  also have ... = committee-size * count (lift-profile A) {x}
  by simp
  also have l * (l' * n-voters) = l' * (l * n-voters)
  by (simp add: algebra-simps)
  finally have count (r (lift-profile A)) x ≥ l'
  by (intro weak-proportional-representation A')
  thus count ((r o lift-profile) A) x ≥ l'
  by simp
qed

end

```

### 4.3 Decreasing the number of parties

If we have a PAPP rule that satisfies weak representation and cardinality strategyproofness, for  $m$  parties, we can turn it into one for  $m - 1$  parties. This is done by simply duplicating one particular party (say  $x$ ) in the preference profile, i.e. whenever  $x$  is part of an approval list, we add a clone of  $x$  (say  $y$ ) as well. Should  $y$  then end up in the committee, we simply replace it with  $x$ .

Consequently, if we have an impossibility result for  $k$  parties, it also holds for  $\geq m$  parties.

```

locale remove-alt-card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp =
  card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp n-voters parties committee-size r
  for n-voters and parties :: 'a set and committee-size r +
  fixes x y :: 'a
  assumes xy: x ∈ parties y ∈ parties x ≠ y
begin

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definition lift-applist :: 'a set ⇒ 'a set where
  lift-applist X = (if x ∈ X then insert y X else X)

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definition lift-profile :: 'a set multiset ⇒ 'a set multiset where
  lift-profile A = image-mset lift-applist A

```

**definition** *lower-result* **where**  $\text{lower-result } C = \text{image-mset } (\lambda z. \text{if } z = y \text{ then } x \text{ else } z) C$

**definition** *lowered* **where**  $\text{lowered} = \text{lower-result} \circ r \circ \text{lift-profile}$

**lemma** *lift-profile-empty* [simp]:  $\text{lift-profile } \{\#\} = \{\#\}$   
**by** (simp add: lift-profile-def)

**lemma** *lift-profile-add-mset* [simp]:  
 $\text{lift-profile } (\text{add-mset } X A) = \text{add-mset } (\text{lift-applist } X) (\text{lift-profile } A)$   
**by** (simp add: lift-profile-def)

**lemma** *empty-in-lift-profile-iff* [simp]:  $\{\} \in\# \text{lift-profile } A \longleftrightarrow \{\} \in\# A$   
**by** (auto simp: lift-applist-def lift-profile-def)

**lemma** *size-lift-profile* [simp]:  $\text{size } (\text{lift-profile } A) = \text{size } A$   
**by** (simp add: lift-profile-def)

**lemma** *lift-applist-eq-self-iff* [simp]:  $\text{lift-applist } X = X \longleftrightarrow x \notin X \vee y \in X$   
**by** (auto simp: lift-applist-def)

**lemma** *lift-applist-eq-self-iff'* [simp]:  $\text{lift-applist } (X - \{y\}) = X \longleftrightarrow (x \in X \longleftrightarrow y \in X)$   
**by** (cases  $y \in X$ ) (auto simp: lift-applist-def  $xy$ )

**lemma** *in-lift-applist-iff*:  $z \in \text{lift-applist } X \longleftrightarrow z \in X \vee (z = y \wedge x \in X)$   
**by** (auto simp: lift-applist-def)

**lemma** *count-lift-profile*:  
**assumes**  $\forall Y \in\# A. y \notin Y$   
**shows**  $\text{count } (\text{lift-profile } A) X = (\text{if } x \in X \longleftrightarrow y \in X \text{ then } \text{count } A (X - \{y\}) \text{ else } 0)$   
**using**  $assms\ xy$  **by** (induction  $A$ ) (auto simp: lift-applist-def)

**lemma** *y-notin-lower-result* [simp]:  $y \notin\# \text{lower-result } C$   
**using**  $xy$  **by** (auto simp: lower-result-def)

**lemma** *lower-result-subset*:  $\text{set-mset } (\text{lower-result } C) \subseteq \text{insert } x (\text{set-mset } C - \{y\})$   
**using**  $xy$  **by** (auto simp: lower-result-def)

**lemma** *lower-result-subset'*:  $\text{set-mset } C \subseteq \text{parties} \implies \text{set-mset } (\text{lower-result } C) \subseteq \text{parties}$   
**using**  $xy$  **by** (auto simp: lower-result-def)

**lemma** *size-lower-result* [simp]:  $\text{size } (\text{lower-result } C) = \text{size } C$   
**by** (simp add: lower-result-def)

**lemma** *count-lower-result*:  
 $\text{count } (\text{lower-result } C) z =$   
 (if  $z = y$  then 0  
 else if  $z = x$  then  $\text{count } C\ x + \text{count } C\ y$ )

else count C z)  
**using** xy **by** (induction C) (auto simp: lower-result-def)

**lemma** in-lower-result-iff:  
 $z \in \# \text{ lower-result } C \iff z \neq y \wedge (z \in \# C \vee (z = x \wedge y \in \# C))$   
**unfolding** lower-result-def **using** xy **by** (induction C) auto

**sublocale** lowered: anon-papp-election n-voters parties - {y}  
**by** standard (use n-voters-pos xy **in** auto)

**lemma** is-pref-profile-lift-profile [intro]:  
**assumes** lowered.is-pref-profile A  
**shows** is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)  
**proof** -  
**interpret** anon-papp-profile n-voters parties - {y} committee-size A  
**by** fact  
**show** ?thesis  
**using** A-nonempty A-subset size-A  
**by** unfold-locales  
(auto simp: lift-profile-def lift-applist-def xy  
size-mset-sum-mset image-mset.compositionality o-def)

**qed**

**sublocale** lowered: anon-papp n-voters parties - {y} committee-size lowered

**proof**  
**fix** A **assume** lowered.is-pref-profile A  
**hence** is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)  
**by** blast  
**hence** is-committee (r (lift-profile A))  
**using** rule-wf **by** blast  
**thus** lowered.is-committee (lowered A)  
**unfolding** lowered.is-committee-def is-committee-def lowered-def  
**using** lower-result-subset'[of r (lift-profile A)] **by** auto

**qed**

**sublocale** lowered: weak-rep-anon-papp n-voters parties - {y} committee-size lowered

**proof**  
**fix** A z  
**assume** A: lowered.is-pref-profile A **and** z: n-voters  $\leq$  committee-size \* count A {z}  
**interpret** A: anon-papp-profile n-voters parties - {y} committee-size A  
**by** fact  
**have** committee-size  $> 0$   
**using** z n-voters-pos **by** (intro Nat.gr0I) auto

**from** A **have** A': is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)  
**by** blast  
**have** count A {z}  $> 0$   
**using** z n-voters-pos **by** (intro Nat.gr0I) auto

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hence {z} ∈# A
  by simp
hence z': z ∈ parties - {y}
  using A.A-subset z by auto

define C where C = r (lift-profile A)

show z ∈# lowered A
proof (cases z = x)
  case False
  have n-voters ≤ committee-size * count A {z}
    by fact
  also have count A {z} ≤ count (lift-profile A) {z}
    using A.A-subset z' False by (subst count-lift-profile) auto
  hence committee-size * count A {z} ≤ committee-size * count (lift-profile A) {z}
    by (intro mult-left-mono) auto
  finally have z ∈# r (lift-profile A)
    by (intro weak-representation A')
  thus z ∈# lowered A
    using False z' by (simp add: lowered-def in-lower-result-iff)
next
  case [simp]: True
  have 1 ≤ size {#z ∈# C. z ∈ {x, y}#}
    unfolding C-def
  proof (rule proposition3)
    have [simp]: {x, y} - {y} = {x}
      using xy by auto
    hence n-voters ≤ committee-size * count (lift-profile A) {x, y}
      using xy A.A-subset z by (subst count-lift-profile) auto
    thus int 1 * ⌈real n-voters / real committee-size⌉ ≤ int (count (lift-profile A) {x, y})
      using <committee-size > 0
      by (auto simp: ceiling-le-iff field-simps simp flip: of-nat-mult)
    qed (use A' xy <committee-size > 0) in auto
  also have ... = count C x + count C y
    using xy by (induction C) auto
  also have ... = count (lowered A) x
    using xy by (simp add: lowered-def count-lower-result C-def)
  finally show z ∈# lowered A
    by simp
qed
qed

lemma filter-lower-result-eq:
  y ∉ X ⇒ {#x ∈# lower-result C. x ∈ X#} = lower-result {#x ∈# C. x ∈ lift-applist X#}
  by (induction C) (auto simp: lower-result-def lift-applist-def)

sublocale lowered: card-stratproof-anon-papp n-voters parties - {y} committee-size lowered
proof
  fix A X Y

```

```

show  $\neg$ lowered.card-manipulable A X Y
  unfolding lowered.card-manipulable-def
proof (rule notI, elim conjE)
  assume A: lowered.is-pref-profile A and XY: X  $\in$ # A Y  $\neq$  {} Y  $\subseteq$  parties - {y}
  assume *: lowered A  $\prec$ [lowered.committee-preference X] lowered (A - {#X#} + {#Y#})
  interpret anon-papp-profile n-voters parties - {y} committee-size A
    by fact
  have X: X  $\neq$  {} X  $\subseteq$  parties - {y}
    using XY A-nonempty A-subset by auto
  define A' where A' = A - {#X#}
  have A': A = A' + {#X#}
    using XY by (simp add: A'-def)

from * have size {#x  $\in$ # lower-result (r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist X#})). x  $\in$  X#}
<
  size {#x  $\in$ # lower-result (r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist Y#})). x  $\in$  X#}
  by (simp add: lowered-def A' lowered.strong-committee-preference-iff)
also have {#x  $\in$ # lower-result (r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist X#})). x  $\in$  X#} =
  lower-result {#x  $\in$ # r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist X#})). x  $\in$  lift-appllist X#}
  using X by (subst filter-lower-result-eq) auto
also have {#x  $\in$ # lower-result (r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist Y#})). x  $\in$  X#} =
  lower-result {#x  $\in$ # r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist Y#})). x  $\in$  lift-appllist X#}
  using X by (subst filter-lower-result-eq) auto
finally have size {#x  $\in$ # r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist X#})). x  $\in$  lift-appllist X#} <
  size {#x  $\in$ # r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist Y#})). x  $\in$  lift-appllist X#}
  by simp
hence r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist X#})  $\prec$ [committee-preference (lift-appllist X)]
  r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist Y#})
  by (simp add: strong-committee-preference-iff)
moreover have  $\neg$ r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist X#})  $\prec$ [committee-preference (lift-appllist
X)]
  r (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist Y#})
proof (rule not-manipulable' [where Y = lift-appllist Y])
  have is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)
    using A by blast
  thus is-pref-profile (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist X#})
    using A by (simp add: A')
next
  have is-pref-profile (lift-profile (A - {#X#} + {#Y#}))
    using A XY lowered.is-pref-profile-replace by blast
  thus is-pref-profile (lift-profile A' + {#lift-appllist Y#})
    by (simp add: A')
qed auto
ultimately show False
  by contradiction
qed
qed

sublocale lowered: card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp n-voters parties - {y} committee-size

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*lowered*

..

**end**

The following lemma is now simply an iterated application of the above. This allows us to restrict a P-APP rule to any non-empty subset of parties.

**lemma** *card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp-restrict-parties:*

**assumes** *card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp*  $n$  *parties*  $k$   $r$   $parties' \subseteq parties$   $parties' \neq \{\}$

**shows**  $\exists r. card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp\ n\ parties'\ k\ r$

**proof** –

**have** *finite parties*

**proof** –

**interpret** *card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp*  $n$  *parties*  $k$   $r$

**by** *fact*

**show** *?thesis*

**by** (*rule finite-parties*)

**qed**

**thus** *?thesis*

**using** *assms*

**proof** (*induction parties arbitrary; r rule: finite-psubset-induct*)

**case** (*psubset parties r*)

**show** *?thesis*

**proof** (*cases parties = parties'*)

**case** *True*

**thus** *?thesis*

**using** *psubset.prem*s **by** *auto*

**next**

**case** *False*

**obtain**  $x$  **where**  $x \in parties'$

**using** *psubset.prem*s **by** *blast*

**from** *False* **and** *psubset.prem*s **have**  $parties - parties' \neq \{\}$

**by** *auto*

**then obtain**  $y$  **where**  $y \in parties - parties'$

**by** *blast*

**interpret** *card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp*  $n$  *parties*  $k$   $r$

**by** *fact*

**interpret** *remove-alt-card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp*  $n$  *parties*  $k$   $r$   $x$   $y$

**by** *standard* (*use*  $x$   $y$  *psubset.prem*s **in** *auto*)

**show** *?thesis*

**proof** (*rule psubset.IH*)

**show**  $parties - \{y\} \subset parties$  **and**  $parties' \subseteq parties - \{y\}$   $parties' \neq \{\}$

**using**  $x$   $y$  *psubset.prem*s **by** *auto*

**next**

**show** *card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp*  $n$  ( $parties - \{y\}$ )  $k$  *lowered*

**using** *lowered.card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp-axioms* .

**qed**

**qed**



qed  
qed

#### 4.4 Decreasing the committee size

If we have a PAPP rule that satisfies weak representation and cardinality strategyproofness, for  $l(k+1)$  voters,  $m+1$  parties, and a committee size of  $k+1$ , we can turn it into one for  $lk$  voters,  $m$  parties, and a committee size of  $k$ .

This is done by again cloning a party  $x$  into a new party  $y$  and additionally adding  $l$  new voters whose preferences are  $\{x, y\}$ . We again replace any  $y$  occurring in the output committee with  $x$ . Weak representation then ensures that  $x$  occurs in the output at least once, and we then simply remove one  $x$  from the committee to obtain an output committee of size  $k-1$ .

Consequently, if we have an impossibility result for a committee size of  $m$ , we can extend it to a larger committee size, but at the cost of introducing a new party and new voters, and with a restriction on the number of voters.

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locale decrease-committee-card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp =
  card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp  $l * (k + 1)$  insert  $y$  parties  $k + 1$   $r$ 
  for  $l$   $k$   $y$  and parties :: 'a set and  $r +$ 
  fixes  $x :: 'a$ 
  assumes  $xy$ :  $x \in$  parties  $y \notin$  parties
  assumes  $k$ :  $k > 0$ 
begin

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definition lift-applist :: 'a set  $\Rightarrow$  'a set where
  lift-applist  $X = (if$   $x \in X$  then insert  $y$   $X$  else  $X)$ 

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definition lift-profile :: 'a set multiset  $\Rightarrow$  'a set multiset where
  lift-profile  $A = image$ -mset lift-applist  $A + replicate$ -mset  $l \{x, y\}$ 

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definition lower-result
  where lower-result  $C = image$ -mset  $(\lambda z. if$   $z = y$  then  $x$  else  $z)$   $C - \{\#x\#$ 

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definition lowered where lowered = lower-result  $\circ r \circ lift$ -profile

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lemma  $l$ :  $l > 0$ 
  using  $n$ -voters-pos by auto

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lemma  $x$ -neq- $y$  [simp]:  $x \neq y$   $y \neq x$ 
  using  $xy$  by auto

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lemma lift-profile-empty [simp]: lift-profile  $\{\#\} = replicate$ -mset  $l \{x, y\}$ 
  by (simp add: lift-profile-def)

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lemma lift-profile-add-mset [simp]:
  lift-profile (add-mset  $X$   $A) = add$ -mset (lift-applist  $X)$  (lift-profile  $A)$ 

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by (simp add: lift-profile-def)

**lemma** *empty-in-lift-profile-iff* [simp]:  $\{\} \in\# \text{lift-profile } A \longleftrightarrow \{\} \in\# A$   
by (auto simp: lift-applist-def lift-profile-def)

**lemma** *size-lift-profile* [simp]:  $\text{size} (\text{lift-profile } A) = \text{size } A + l$   
by (simp add: lift-profile-def)

**lemma** *lift-applist-eq-self-iff* [simp]:  $\text{lift-applist } X = X \longleftrightarrow x \notin X \vee y \in X$   
by (auto simp: lift-applist-def)

**lemma** *lift-applist-eq-self-iff'* [simp]:  $\text{lift-applist } (X - \{y\}) = X \longleftrightarrow (x \in X \longleftrightarrow y \in X)$   
by (cases  $y \in X$ ) (auto simp: lift-applist-def)

**lemma** *in-lift-applist-iff*:  $z \in \text{lift-applist } X \longleftrightarrow z \in X \vee (z = y \wedge x \in X)$   
by (auto simp: lift-applist-def)

**lemma** *count-lift-profile*:

**assumes**  $\forall Y \in\# A. y \notin Y$

**shows**  $\text{count} (\text{lift-profile } A) X =$

(if  $x \in X \longleftrightarrow y \in X$  then  $\text{count } A (X - \{y\})$  else 0) +

(if  $X = \{x, y\}$  then  $l$  else 0)

**using** *assms* **by** (induction  $A$ ) (auto simp: lift-applist-def)

**lemma** *y-notin-lower-result* [simp]:  $y \notin\# \text{lower-result } C$   
**using** *xy* **by** (auto simp: lower-result-def dest: in-diffD)

**lemma** *lower-result-subset*:  $\text{set-mset} (\text{lower-result } C) \subseteq \text{insert } x (\text{set-mset } C - \{y\})$   
**using** *xy* **by** (auto simp: lower-result-def dest: in-diffD)

**lemma** *lower-result-subset'*:  $\text{set-mset } C \subseteq \text{insert } y \text{ parties} \implies \text{set-mset} (\text{lower-result } C) \subseteq \text{parties}$   
**by** (rule *order.trans*[OF *lower-result-subset*]) (use *xy* in *auto*)

**lemma** *size-lower-result* [simp]:

**assumes**  $x \in\# C \vee y \in\# C$

**shows**  $\text{size} (\text{lower-result } C) = \text{size } C - 1$

**using** *assms* **by** (auto simp: lower-result-def *size-Diff-singleton*)

**lemma** *size-lower-result'*:  $\text{size} (\text{lower-result } C) = \text{size } C - (\text{if } x \in\# C \vee y \in\# C \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } 0)$

**proof** –

**define** *f* **where**  $f = (\lambda C. \text{image-mset } (\lambda z. \text{if } z = y \text{ then } x \text{ else } z) C)$

**have**  $\text{size} (\text{lower-result } C) = \text{size} (f C - \{\#x\#})$

**by** (simp add: lower-result-def *f-def*)

**also have**  $\dots = \text{size} (f C) - (\text{if } x \in\# f C \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } 0)$

**by** (simp add: *diff-single-trivial size-Diff-singleton*)

**finally show** ?thesis  
**by** (auto simp: f-def)  
**qed**

**lemma** count-lower-result:

count (lower-result C) z =  
 (if z = y then 0  
 else if z = x then count C x + count C y - 1  
 else count C z) (is - = ?rhs)

**proof** -

**define** f **where** f = (λC. image-mset (λz. if z = y then x else z) C)

**have** count (lower-result C) z = count (f C - {#x#}) z

**by** (simp add: lower-result-def f-def)

**also have** ... = count (f C) z - (if z = x then 1 else 0)

**by** auto

**also have** count (f C) z = (if z = y then 0 else if z = x then count C x + count C y else count C z)

**using** xy **by** (induction C) (auto simp: f-def)

**also have** ... - (if z = x then 1 else 0) = ?rhs

**by** auto

**finally show** ?thesis .

**qed**

**lemma** in-lower-resultD:

$z \in \# \text{ lower-result } C \implies z = x \vee z \in \# C$

**using** xy **by** (auto simp: lower-result-def dest!: in-diffD)

**lemma** in-lower-result-iff:

$z \in \# \text{ lower-result } C \iff z \neq y \wedge (\text{if } z = x \text{ then count } C x + \text{count } C y > 1 \text{ else } z \in \# C)$   
 (is - = ?rhs)

**proof** -

**have**  $z \in \# \text{ lower-result } C \iff \text{count (lower-result } C) z > 0$

**by** auto

**also have** ...  $\iff$  ?rhs

**by** (subst count-lower-result) auto

**finally show** ?thesis .

**qed**

**lemma** filter-lower-result-eq:

**assumes**  $y \notin X$

**shows**  $\{\#z \in \# \text{ lower-result } C. z \in X\# \} = \text{lower-result } \{\#z \in \# C. z \in \text{lift-applist } X\# \}$

**proof** -

**define** f **where** f = (λC. {#if z = y then x else z. z ∈ # C#})

**have** lower-result {#z ∈ # C. z ∈ lift-applist X#} = f {#z ∈ # C. z ∈ lift-applist X#} - {#x#}

**by** (simp add: f-def lower-result-def)

**also have** f {#z ∈ # C. z ∈ lift-applist X#} = {#z ∈ # f C. z ∈ X#}

**using** assms **by** (induction C) (auto simp: f-def lift-applist-def)

**also have** ... - {#x#} = {#z ∈ # f C - {#x#}. z ∈ X#}

by (subst filter-diff-mset<sup>^</sup>) auto  
 also have  $f C - \{\#x\# \} = \text{lower-result } C$   
 by (simp add: f-def lower-result-def)  
 finally show ?thesis ..  
 qed

**sublocale** lowered: anon-papp-election  $l * k$  parties  $k$   
 by standard (use n-voters-pos xy finite-parties  $k$  in auto)

**lemma** is-pref-profile-lift-profile [intro]:  
 assumes lowered.is-pref-profile  $A$   
 shows is-pref-profile (lift-profile  $A$ )  
**proof** –  
**interpret**  $A$ : anon-papp-profile  $l * k$  parties  $k$   $A$   
 by fact  
**show** ?thesis  
 using  $A.A\text{-nonempty } A.A\text{-subset } A.size\text{-}A$   $l$   
 by unfold-locales  
 (auto simp: lift-profile-def lift-applist-def xy  
 size-mset-sum-mset image-mset.compositionality o-def)  
 qed

**lemma** is-committee-lower-result:  
 assumes is-committee  $C$   $x \in\# C \vee y \in\# C$   
 shows lowered.is-committee (lower-result  $C$ )  
 using assms **unfolding** is-committee-def lowered.is-committee-def  
 using lower-result-subset<sup>[of  $C$ ]</sup> by auto

**lemma** x-or-y-in-r-lift-profile:  
 assumes lowered.is-pref-profile  $A$   
 shows  $x \in\# r$  (lift-profile  $A$ )  $\vee y \in\# r$  (lift-profile  $A$ )  
**proof** –  
**interpret**  $A$ : anon-papp-profile  $l * k$  parties  $k$   $A$   
 by fact  
**have** size  $\{\#z \in\# r$  (lift-profile  $A$ ).  $z \in \{x, y\}\#\} \geq 1$   
**proof** (rule proposition3)  
**have** real  $(l * (k + 1)) / \text{real } (k + 1) = \text{real } l$   
 by (simp add: field-simps)  
**also have** int  $1 * \lceil \dots \rceil = \text{int } l$   
 by simp  
**also have**  $l \leq \text{count } (\text{lift-profile } A) \{x, y\}$   
 using xy  $A.A\text{-subset}$  by (subst count-lift-profile) auto  
**finally show** int  $1 * \lceil \text{real } (l * (k + 1)) / \text{real } (k + 1) \rceil \leq \text{int } (\text{count } (\text{lift-profile } A) \{x, y\})$   
 by simp  
**next**  
**show** is-pref-profile (lift-profile  $A$ )  
 by (intro is-pref-profile-lift-profile) fact  
 qed (use xy in auto)

**hence**  $\{\#z \in \# r \text{ (lift-profile } A)\}. z \in \{x, y\}\# \neq \{\#\}$   
**by force**  
**thus** *?thesis*  
**by auto**  
**qed**

**sublocale** *lowered: anon-papp l \* k parties k lowered*  
**proof**  
**fix** *A* **assume** *A: lowered.is-pref-profile A*  
**hence** *is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)*  
**by blast**  
**hence** *is-committee (r (lift-profile A))*  
**using rule-wf by blast**  
**thus** *lowered.is-committee (lowered A)*  
**unfolding** *lowered-def o-def* **using** *x-or-y-in-r-lift-profile[of A] A*  
**by (intro is-committee-lower-result) auto**  
**qed**

**sublocale** *lowered: weak-rep-anon-papp l \* k parties k lowered*  
**proof**  
**fix** *A z*  
**assume** *A: lowered.is-pref-profile A* **and** *z: l \* k ≤ k \* count A {z}*  
**interpret** *A: anon-papp-profile l \* k parties k A*  
**by fact**

**from** *A* **have** *A': is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)*  
**by blast**  
**have** *count A {z} > 0*  
**using** *z k n-voters-pos* **by (intro Nat.gr0I) auto**  
**hence**  $\{z\} \in \# A$   
**by simp**  
**hence** *z': z ∈ parties*  
**using** *A.A-subset z* **by auto**  
**hence** *[simp]: y ≠ z z ≠ y*  
**using** *xy* **by auto**

**define** *C* **where** *C = r (lift-profile A)*

**show**  $z \in \# \text{lowered } A$   
**proof** (*cases z = x*)  
**case** *False*  
**have**  $l \leq \text{count } A \{z\}$   
**using** *z k* **by (simp add: algebra-simps)**  
**hence**  $l * (k + 1) \leq (k + 1) * \text{count } A \{z\}$   
**by (subst mult.commute, intro mult-right-mono) auto**  
**also have**  $\text{count } A \{z\} = \text{count (lift-profile } A) \{z\}$   
**using** *False A.A-subset xy* **by (subst count-lift-profile) auto**  
**finally have**  $z \in \# r \text{ (lift-profile } A)$   
**by (intro weak-representation A')**

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thus  $z \in \# \text{ lowered } A$ 
  using False by (auto simp: lowered-def in-lower-result-iff)
next
case [simp]: True
from xy have [simp]:  $\{x, y\} - \{y\} = \{x\}$ 
  by auto

have  $\text{size } \{\#z \in \# C. z \in \{x, y\}\# \} \geq 2$ 
  unfolding C-def
proof (rule proposition3)
  have  $\text{real } (l * (k + 1)) / \text{real } (k + 1) = l$ 
    unfolding of-nat-mult using k by (simp add: divide-simps)
  also have  $\text{int } 2 * \lceil \dots \rceil = \text{int } (2 * l)$ 
    by simp
  also have  $\dots \leq \text{count } (\text{lift-profile } A) \{x, y\}$ 
    using z k xy A.A-subset by (subst count-lift-profile) auto
  finally show  $\text{int } 2 * \lceil \text{real } (l * (k + 1)) / \text{real } (k + 1) \rceil \leq \dots$  .
qed (use A' xy in auto)
also have  $\text{size } \{\#z \in \# C. z \in \{x, y\}\# \} = \text{count } C x + \text{count } C y$ 
  by (induction C) auto
finally have  $x \in \# \text{ lower-result } C$ 
  by (subst in-lower-result-iff) auto
thus  $z \in \# \text{ lowered } A$ 
  by (simp add: lowered-def C-def)
qed
qed

sublocale lowered: card-stratproof-anon-papp l * k parties k lowered
proof
fix A X Y
show  $\neg \text{lowered.card-manipulable } A X Y$ 
  unfolding lowered.card-manipulable-def
proof (rule notI, elim conjE)
assume A: lowered.is-pref-profile A and XY: X \in \# A Y \neq \{\}  $Y \subseteq \text{parties}$ 
assume  $*$ :  $\text{lowered } A \prec [\text{lowered.committee-preference } X] \text{ lowered } (A - \{\#X\# \} + \{\#Y\# \})$ 
interpret anon-papp-profile l * k parties k A
  by fact
have  $X: X \neq \{\}$   $X \subseteq \text{parties}$ 
  using XY A-nonempty A-subset by auto
define A' where  $A' = A - \{\#X\# \}$ 
have  $A': A = A' + \{\#X\# \}$ 
  using XY by (simp add: A'-def)
from xy X XY have [simp]:  $y \notin X$   $y \notin Y$ 
  by auto

define Al1 where  $Al1 = \text{lift-profile } A$ 
define Al2 where  $Al2 = \text{lift-profile } (A' + \{\#Y\# \})$ 
have A'-plus-Y: lowered.is-pref-profile  $(A' + \{\#Y\# \})$ 
  unfolding A'-def using A XY lowered.is-pref-profile-replace by blast

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have Al1: is-pref-profile Al1
  unfolding Al1-def using A by blast
have Al2: is-pref-profile Al2
  unfolding Al2-def unfolding A'-def using A XY lowered.is-pref-profile-replace by blast

have size-aux: size (lower-result {#x ∈# r (lift-profile A). x ∈ lift-applist X#}) =
  size {#x ∈# r (lift-profile A). x ∈ lift-applist X#} - (if x ∈ X then 1 else 0)
if A: lowered.is-pref-profile A for A
using x-or-y-in-r-lift-profile[OF A]
by (subst size-lower-result') (auto simp: lift-applist-def)

from * have size {#x ∈# lower-result (r Al1). x ∈ X#} <
  size {#x ∈# lower-result (r Al2). x ∈ X#}
by (simp add: Al1-def Al2-def lowered-def A' lowered.strong-committee-preference-iff)
also have {#x ∈# lower-result (r Al1). x ∈ X#} = lower-result {#x ∈# r Al1. x ∈
lift-applist X#}
using X xy by (subst filter-lower-result-eq) auto
also have {#x ∈# lower-result (r Al2). x ∈ X#} = lower-result {#x ∈# r Al2. x ∈
lift-applist X#}
using X xy by (subst filter-lower-result-eq) auto
also have size (lower-result {#x ∈# r Al1. x ∈ lift-applist X#}) =
  size {#x ∈# r Al1. x ∈ lift-applist X#} - (if x ∈ X then 1 else 0)
unfolding Al1-def by (rule size-aux) fact
also have size (lower-result {#x ∈# r Al2. x ∈ lift-applist X#}) =
  size {#x ∈# r Al2. x ∈ lift-applist X#} - (if x ∈ X then 1 else 0)
unfolding Al2-def by (rule size-aux) fact
finally have size {#x ∈# r Al1. x ∈ lift-applist X#} < size {#x ∈# r Al2. x ∈ lift-applist
X#}
by auto
hence r Al1 <[committee-preference (lift-applist X)] r Al2
by (simp add: strong-committee-preference-iff)

moreover have ¬r Al1 <[committee-preference (lift-applist X)] r Al2
by (rule not-manipulable' [where Y = lift-applist Y])
  (use Al1 Al2 in <auto simp: Al1-def Al2-def A'>)

ultimately show False
by contradiction
qed
qed

sublocale lowered: card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp l * k parties k lowered
..

end

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For Weak *Proportional* Representation, the lowering argument to decrease the committee size is somewhat easier since it does not involve adding a new party; instead, we simply add  $l$  new voters whose preferences are  $\{x\}$ .

**locale** *decrease-committee-card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp* =  
*card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp*  $l * (k + 1)$  parties  $k + 1$   $r$   
**for**  $l$   $k$  **and** parties :: 'a set **and**  $r$  +  
**fixes**  $x$  :: 'a  
**assumes**  $x$ :  $x \in$  parties  
**assumes**  $k$ :  $k > 0$   
**begin**

**definition** *lift-profile* :: 'a set multiset  $\Rightarrow$  'a set multiset **where**  
*lift-profile*  $A = A + \text{replicate-mset } l \{x\}$

**definition** *lower-result*  
**where** *lower-result*  $C = C - \{\#x\# \}$

**definition** *lowered* **where** *lowered* = *lower-result*  $\circ r \circ$  *lift-profile*

**lemma**  $l > 0$   
**using** *n-voters-pos* **by** *auto*

**lemma** *lift-profile-empty* [*simp*]: *lift-profile*  $\{\#\} = \text{replicate-mset } l \{x\}$   
**by** (*simp add: lift-profile-def*)

**lemma** *lift-profile-add-mset* [*simp*]:  
*lift-profile* (*add-mset*  $X$   $A$ ) = *add-mset*  $X$  (*lift-profile*  $A$ )  
**by** (*simp add: lift-profile-def*)

**lemma** *empty-in-lift-profile-iff* [*simp*]:  $\{\} \in\#$  *lift-profile*  $A \iff \{\} \in\#$   $A$   
**by** (*auto simp: lift-profile-def*)

**lemma** *size-lift-profile* [*simp*]: *size* (*lift-profile*  $A$ ) = *size*  $A + l$   
**by** (*simp add: lift-profile-def*)

**lemma** *count-lift-profile*:  
*count* (*lift-profile*  $A$ )  $X = \text{count } A$   $X + (\text{if } X = \{x\} \text{ then } l \text{ else } 0)$   
**by** (*auto simp: lift-profile-def*)

**lemma** *size-lower-result* [*simp*]:  
**assumes**  $x \in\#$   $C$   
**shows** *size* (*lower-result*  $C$ ) = *size*  $C - 1$   
**using** *assms* **by** (*auto simp: lower-result-def size-Diff-singleton*)

**lemma** *size-lower-result'*: *size* (*lower-result*  $C$ ) = *size*  $C - (\text{if } x \in\#$   $C$  **then**  $1$  **else**  $0$ )  
**by** (*induction*  $C$ ) (*auto simp: lower-result-def size-Diff-singleton*)

**lemma** *count-lower-result*:  
*count* (*lower-result*  $C$ )  $z = \text{count } C$   $z - (\text{if } z = x \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } 0)$   
**by** (*auto simp: lower-result-def*)



**lemma** *in-lower-resultD*:

$z \in\# \text{ lower-result } C \implies z \in\# C$

**by** (*auto simp: lower-result-def dest!: in-diffD*)

**lemma** *in-lower-result-iff*:

$z \in\# \text{ lower-result } C \iff (\text{if } z = x \text{ then count } C \ x > 1 \text{ else } z \in\# C)$

(*is - = ?rhs*)

**proof** –

**have**  $z \in\# \text{ lower-result } C \iff \text{count } (\text{lower-result } C) \ z > 0$

**by** *auto*

**also have**  $\dots \iff ?rhs$

**by** (*subst count-lower-result*) *auto*

**finally show** *?thesis* .

**qed**

**sublocale** *lowered: anon-papp-election l \* k parties k*

**by** *standard (use n-voters-pos finite-parties k in auto)*

**lemma** *is-pref-profile-lift-profile [intro]*:

**assumes** *lowered.is-pref-profile A*

**shows** *is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)*

**proof** –

**interpret** *A: anon-papp-profile l \* k parties k A*

**by** *fact*

**show** *?thesis*

**using** *A.A-nonempty A.A-subset A.size-A l*

**by** *unfold-locales*

(*auto simp: lift-profile-def x size-mset-sum-mset image-mset.compositionality o-def*)

**qed**

**lemma** *is-committee-lower-result*:

**assumes** *is-committee C x ∈# C*

**shows** *lowered.is-committee (lower-result C)*

**using** *assms unfolding is-committee-def lowered.is-committee-def*

**by** (*auto simp: lower-result-def size-Diff-singleton dest: in-diffD*)

**lemma** *x-in-r-lift-profile*:

**assumes** *lowered.is-pref-profile A*

**shows**  $x \in\# r \text{ (lift-profile } A)$

**proof** (*rule weak-representation*)

**show** *is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)*

**using** *assms by blast*

**next**

**have**  $(k + 1) * l \leq (k + 1) * \text{count } (\text{lift-profile } A) \ \{x\}$

**by** (*intro mult-left-mono*) (*auto simp: count-lift-profile*)

**thus**  $l * (k + 1) \leq (k + 1) * \text{count } (\text{lift-profile } A) \ \{x\}$

**by** (*simp add: algebra-simps*)

qed

**sublocale** *lowered: anon-papp l \* k parties k lowered*

**proof**

**fix** *A* **assume** *A: lowered.is-pref-profile A*

**hence** *is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)*

**by** *blast*

**hence** *is-committee (r (lift-profile A))*

**using** *rule-wf by blast*

**thus** *lowered.is-committee (lowered A)*

**unfolding** *lowered-def o-def using x-in-r-lift-profile[of A] A*

**by** *(intro is-committee-lower-result) auto*

qed

**sublocale** *lowered: weak-prop-rep-anon-papp l \* k parties k lowered*

**proof**

**fix** *A z l'*

**assume** *A: lowered.is-pref-profile A and z: l' \* (l \* k) ≤ k \* count A {z}*

**interpret** *A: anon-papp-profile l \* k parties k A*

**by** *fact*

**show** *count (lowered A) z ≥ l'*

**proof** *(cases l' > 0)*

**case** *False*

**thus** *?thesis by auto*

**next**

**case** *l: True*

**from** *A* **have** *A': is-pref-profile (lift-profile A)*

**by** *blast*

**have** *count A {z} > 0*

**using** *z k n-voters-pos l by (intro Nat.gr0I) auto*

**hence** *{z} ∈# A*

**by** *simp*

**hence** *z': z ∈ parties*

**using** *A.A-subset z by auto*

**define** *C* **where** *C = r (lift-profile A)*

**show** *count (lowered A) z ≥ l'*

**proof** *(cases z = x)*

**case** *False*

**have** *l' \* l ≤ count A {z}*

**using** *z k by (simp add: algebra-simps)*

**hence** *l' \* l \* (k + 1) ≤ (k + 1) \* count A {z}*

**by** *(subst mult.commute, intro mult-right-mono) auto*

**also have** *count A {z} = count (lift-profile A) {z}*

**using** *False A.A-subset by (subst count-lift-profile) auto*

**finally have** *count (r (lift-profile A)) z ≥ l'*

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    by (intro weak-proportional-representation A') (auto simp: algebra-simps)
  thus  $l' \leq \text{count } (\text{lowered } A) z$ 
    using False by (simp add: lowered-def lower-result-def)
next
case [simp]: True
have  $l' * l \leq \text{count } A \{x\}$ 
  using  $z k$  by (simp add: algebra-simps)
hence  $l' * l * (k + 1) \leq (k + 1) * \text{count } A \{x\}$ 
  by (subst mult.commute, intro mult-right-mono) auto
also have  $\dots + (k + 1) * l = (k + 1) * \text{count } (\text{lift-profile } A) \{x\}$ 
  by (simp add: count-lift-profile algebra-simps)
finally have  $(l' + 1) * (l * (k + 1)) \leq (k + 1) * \text{count } (\text{lift-profile } A) \{x\}$ 
  by (simp add: algebra-simps)
hence  $\text{count } (r (\text{lift-profile } A)) x \geq l' + 1$ 
  by (intro weak-proportional-representation A')
thus  $l' \leq \text{count } (\text{lowered } A) z$ 
  by (simp add: lowered-def lower-result-def)
qed
qed
qed

sublocale lowered: card-stratproof-anon-papp  $l * k$  parties  $k$  lowered
proof
fix  $A X Y$ 
show  $\neg \text{lowered.card-manipulable } A X Y$ 
  unfolding lowered.card-manipulable-def
proof (rule notI, elim conjE)
assume  $A$ : lowered.is-pref-profile  $A$  and  $XY$ :  $X \in\# A Y \neq \{\}$   $Y \subseteq \text{parties}$ 
assume *: lowered  $A \prec$  [lowered.committee-preference  $X$ ] lowered  $(A - \{\#X\} + \{\#Y\})$ 
interpret anon-papp-profile  $l * k$  parties  $k A$ 
  by fact
have  $X$ :  $X \neq \{\}$   $X \subseteq \text{parties}$ 
  using  $XY A$ -nonempty  $A$ -subset by auto
define  $A'$  where  $A' = A - \{\#X\}$ 
have  $A'$ :  $A = A' + \{\#X\}$ 
  using  $XY$  by (simp add: A'-def)

define  $Al1$  where  $Al1 = \text{lift-profile } A$ 
define  $Al2$  where  $Al2 = \text{lift-profile } (A' + \{\#Y\})$ 
have  $A'$ -plus- $Y$ : lowered.is-pref-profile  $(A' + \{\#Y\})$ 
  unfolding A'-def using  $A XY$  lowered.is-pref-profile-replace by blast
have  $Al1$ : is-pref-profile  $Al1$ 
  unfolding Al1-def using  $A$  by blast
have  $Al2$ : is-pref-profile  $Al2$ 
  unfolding Al2-def unfolding A'-def using  $A XY$  lowered.is-pref-profile-replace by blast

have size-aux:  $\text{size } (\text{lower-result } \{\#x \in\# r (\text{lift-profile } A). x \in X\}) =$ 
   $\text{size } \{\#x \in\# r (\text{lift-profile } A). x \in X\} - (\text{if } x \in X \text{ then } 1 \text{ else } 0)$ 
if  $A$ : lowered.is-pref-profile  $A$  for  $A$ 

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using x-in-r-lift-profile[OF A] by (subst size-lower-result') auto

from * have size {#x ∈ # lower-result (r Al1). x ∈ X#} <
  size {#x ∈ # lower-result (r Al2). x ∈ X#}
  by (simp add: Al1-def Al2-def lowered-def A' lowered.strong-committee-preference-iff)
also have {#x ∈ # lower-result (r Al1). x ∈ X#} = lower-result {#x ∈ # r Al1. x ∈ X#}
  using X x unfolding lower-result-def by (subst filter-diff-mset') auto
also have {#x ∈ # lower-result (r Al2). x ∈ X#} = lower-result {#x ∈ # r Al2. x ∈ X#}
  using X x unfolding lower-result-def by (subst filter-diff-mset') auto
also have size (lower-result {#x ∈ # r Al1. x ∈ X#}) =
  size {#x ∈ # r Al1. x ∈ X#} - (if x ∈ X then 1 else 0)
  unfolding Al1-def by (rule size-aux) fact
also have size (lower-result {#x ∈ # r Al2. x ∈ X#}) =
  size {#x ∈ # r Al2. x ∈ X#} - (if x ∈ X then 1 else 0)
  unfolding Al2-def by (rule size-aux) fact
finally have size {#x ∈ # r Al1. x ∈ X#} < size {#x ∈ # r Al2. x ∈ X#}
  by auto
hence r Al1 <[committee-preference X] r Al2
  by (simp add: strong-committee-preference-iff)

moreover have ¬r Al1 <[committee-preference X] r Al2
  by (rule not-manipulable' [where Y = Y])
  (use Al1 Al2 in <auto simp: Al1-def Al2-def A'>)

ultimately show False
  by contradiction
qed
qed

sublocale lowered: card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp l * k parties k lowered
..
end
end

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## 5 Lifting the Impossibility Result to Larger Settings

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theory PAPP-Impossibility
imports PAPP-Impossibility-Base-Case Anonymous-PAPP-Lowering
begin

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In this section, we now prove the main results of this work by combining the base case with the lifting arguments formalized earlier.

First, we prove the following very simple technical lemma: a set that is infinite or finite with cardinality at least 2 contains two different elements  $x$  and  $y$ .

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lemma obtain-2-elements:
assumes infinite X ∨ card X ≥ 2

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**obtains**  $x y$  **where**  $x \in X y \in X x \neq y$   
**proof** –  
**from** *assms* **have**  $X \neq \{\}$   
**by** *auto*  
**then obtain**  $x$  **where**  $x \in X$   
**by** *blast*  
**with** *assms* **have**  $\text{infinite } X \vee \text{card } (X - \{x\}) > 0$   
**by** (*subst card-Diff-subset*) *auto*  
**hence**  $X - \{x\} \neq \{\}$   
**by** (*metis card-gt-0-iff finite.emptyI infinite-remove*)  
**then obtain**  $y$  **where**  $y \in X - \{x\}$   
**by** *blast*  
**with**  $\langle x \in X \rangle$  **show** *?thesis*  
**using** *that[of x y]* **by** *blast*  
**qed**

We now have all the ingredients to formalise the first main impossibility result: There is no P-APP rule that satisfies Anonymity, Cardinality-Strategyproofness, and Weak Representation if  $k \geq 3$  and  $m \geq k + 1$  and  $n$  is a multiple of  $2k$ .

The proof simply uses the lowering lemmas we proved earlier to first reduce the committee size to 3, then reduce the voters to 6, and finally restrict the parties to 4. At that point, the base case we proved with SAT solving earlier kicks in.

This corresponds to Theorem 1 in the paper.

**theorem** *papp-impossibility1*:

**assumes**  $k \geq 3$  **and**  $\text{card parties} \geq k + 1$  **and** *finite parties*  
**shows**  $\neg \text{card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp } (2 * k * l)$  *parties k r*  
**using** *assms*

**proof** (*induction k arbitrary: parties r rule: less-induct*)

**case** (*less k parties r*)

**show** *?case*

**proof** (*cases k = 3*)

**assume** [*simp*]:  $k = 3$

If the committee size is 3, we first use our voter-division lemma to go from a P-APP rule for  $6l$  voters to one with just 6 voters. Next, we choose 4 arbitrary parties and use our party-restriction lemma to obtain a P-APP rule for just 4 parties.

But this is exactly our base case, which we already know to be infeasible.

**show** *?thesis*

**proof**

**assume**  $\text{card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp } (2 * k * l)$  *parties k r*

**then interpret**  $\text{card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp } l * 6$  *parties 3 r*

**by** (*simp add: mult-ac*)

**interpret**  $\text{divide-voters-card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp } l 6$  *parties 3 r ..*

**have**  $\text{card parties} \geq 4$

**using** *less.premis* **by** *auto*

**then obtain**  $\text{parties}'$  **where**  $\text{parties}' : \text{parties}' \subseteq \text{parties}$   $\text{card parties}' = 4$

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    by (metis obtain-subset-with-card-n)
  have  $\exists r. \text{card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp } 6 \text{ parties}' 3 r$ 
  proof (rule card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp-restrict-parties)
    show card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp 6 parties 3 (r  $\circ$  lift-profile)
      by (rule lowered.card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp-axioms)
  qed (use parties' in auto)
  thus False
    using papp-impossibility-base-case[OF parties'(2)] by blast
qed
next
assume  $k \neq 3$ 

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If the committee size is greater than 3, we use our other lowering lemma to reduce the committee size by 1 (while also reducing the number of voters by  $2l$  and the number of parties by 1).

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with less.premis have  $k > 3$ 
  by simp

obtain  $x y$  where  $xy: x \in \text{parties } y \in \text{parties } x \neq y$ 
  using obtain-2-elements[of parties] less.premis by auto
define parties' where  $\text{parties}' = \text{parties} - \{y\}$ 
have [simp]:  $\text{card } \text{parties}' = \text{card } \text{parties} - 1$ 
  unfolding parties'-def using  $xy$  by (subst card-Diff-subset) auto

show ?thesis
proof
  assume card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp (2 * k * l) parties k r
  then interpret card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp
    2 * l * (k - 1 + 1) insert y parties' k - 1 + 1 r
    using  $\langle k > 3 \rangle xy$  by (simp add: parties'-def insert-absorb mult-ac)
  interpret decrease-committee-card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp 2 * l k - 1 y parties' r x
    by unfold-locales (use  $\langle k > 3 \rangle xy$  in  $\langle \text{auto } \text{simp: parties}'\text{-def} \rangle$ )
  have  $\neg \text{card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp } (2 * (k - 1) * l) \text{ parties}' (k - 1) \text{ lowered}$ 
    by (rule less.IH) (use  $\langle k > 3 \rangle xy$  less.premis in auto)
  with lowered.card-stratproof-weak-rep-anon-papp-axioms show False
    by (simp add: mult-ac)
qed
qed
qed

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If Weak Representation is replaced with Weak Proportional Representation, we can strengthen the impossibility result by relaxing the conditions on the number of parties to  $m \geq 4$ .

This works because with Weak Proportional Representation, we can reduce the size of the committee without changing the number of parties. We use this to again bring  $k$  down to 3 without changing  $m$ , at which point we can simply apply our previous impossibility result for Weak Representation.

This corresponds to Theorem 2 in the paper.

**corollary** *papp-impossibility2*:  
**assumes**  $k \geq 3$  **and** *card parties*  $\geq 4$  **and** *finite parties*  
**shows**  $\neg$ *card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp*  $(2 * k * l)$  *parties*  $k$   $r$   
**using** *assms*  
**proof** (*induction*  $k$  *arbitrary*: *parties*  $r$  *rule*: *less-induct*)  
**case** (*less*  $k$  *parties*  $r$ )  
**show** *?case*  
**proof** (*cases*  $k = 3$ )  
**assume** [*simp*]:  $k = 3$

For committee size 3, we simply employ our previous impossibility result:

**show** *?thesis*  
**proof**  
**assume** *card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp*  $(2 * k * l)$  *parties*  $k$   $r$   
**then interpret** *card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp*  $l * 6$  *parties*  $3$   $r$   
**by** (*simp add*: *mult-ac*)  
**have** *card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp*  $(l * 6)$  *parties*  $3$   $r$  ..  
**moreover have**  $\neg$ *card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp*  $(l * 6)$  *parties*  $3$   $r$   
**using** *papp-impossibility1* [*of*  $3$  *parties*  $l$   $r$ ] *less.prem*s **by** (*simp add*: *mult-ac*)  
**ultimately show** *False*  
**by** *contradiction*  
**qed**  
**next**  
**assume**  $k \neq 3$

If the committee size is greater than 3, we use our other lowering lemma to reduce the committee size by 1 (while also reducing the number of voters by  $2l$ ).

**with** *less.prem*s **have**  $k > 3$   
**by** *simp*

**have** *parties*  $\neq \{\}$   
**using** *less.prem*s **by** *auto*  
**then obtain**  $x$  **where**  $x: x \in$  *parties*  
**by** *blast*

**show** *?thesis*  
**proof**  
**assume** *card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp*  $(2 * k * l)$  *parties*  $k$   $r$   
**then interpret** *card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp*  
 $2 * l * (k - 1 + 1)$  *parties*  $k - 1 + 1$   $r$   
**using**  $\langle k > 3 \rangle$  **by** (*simp add*: *mult-ac*)  
**interpret** *decrease-committee-card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp*  $2 * l$   $k - 1$  *parties*  
 $r$   $x$   
**by** *unfold-locales* (*use*  $\langle k > 3 \rangle$   $x$  **in** *auto*)  
**have**  $\neg$ *card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp*  $(2 * (k - 1) * l)$  *parties*  $(k - 1)$  *lowered*  
**by** (*rule less.IH*) (*use*  $\langle k > 3 \rangle$  *less.prem*s **in** *auto*)  
**with** *lowered.card-stratproof-weak-prop-rep-anon-papp-axioms* **show** *False*  
**by** (*simp add*: *mult-ac*)  
**qed**

qed  
qed  
end

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