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(PH stands for Paris-Harrington.)

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**Note** The graph has 8 vertices so every point has degree 7.

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- ▶ If none of the above hold then Large homog set is  $\{2, 3, x\}$ .

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