Graph-Theoretic Property: atis **Directly Connected Components Set**

(Graph-theoretic properties are those properties that are part of the meta-theory and have been abducted from graph theory to be used as a tool to provide solutions concerning the theory. Those solutions may be assigned as values to components or relations of the theory and thereby become part of the theory.)

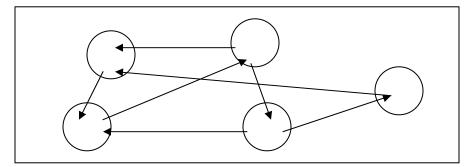
Directly-connected components set, $_{DD}$ \mathcal{O} , $=_{df}$ a set of components that are connected with a single path-connection to some other component.

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} = \{\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{x} \subset \mathbf{S_0} \land \exists \mathbf{y} \in \mathbf{x} [\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{y} \land (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})_{n=1} \in_{pc} E)]\}$$

Directly-connected components set is a set of components, x; such that, the components, x, are in a subset of the object-set, and there exist distinct components, y, of the subset, such that (x,y) are path-connected, and (x,y) have segment-cardinality of 1.

The following diagram depicts a *Directly-Connected Components Set*.

Directly-Connected Components Set



Every component is path-connected by a single segment to some other component.