Total count = 8
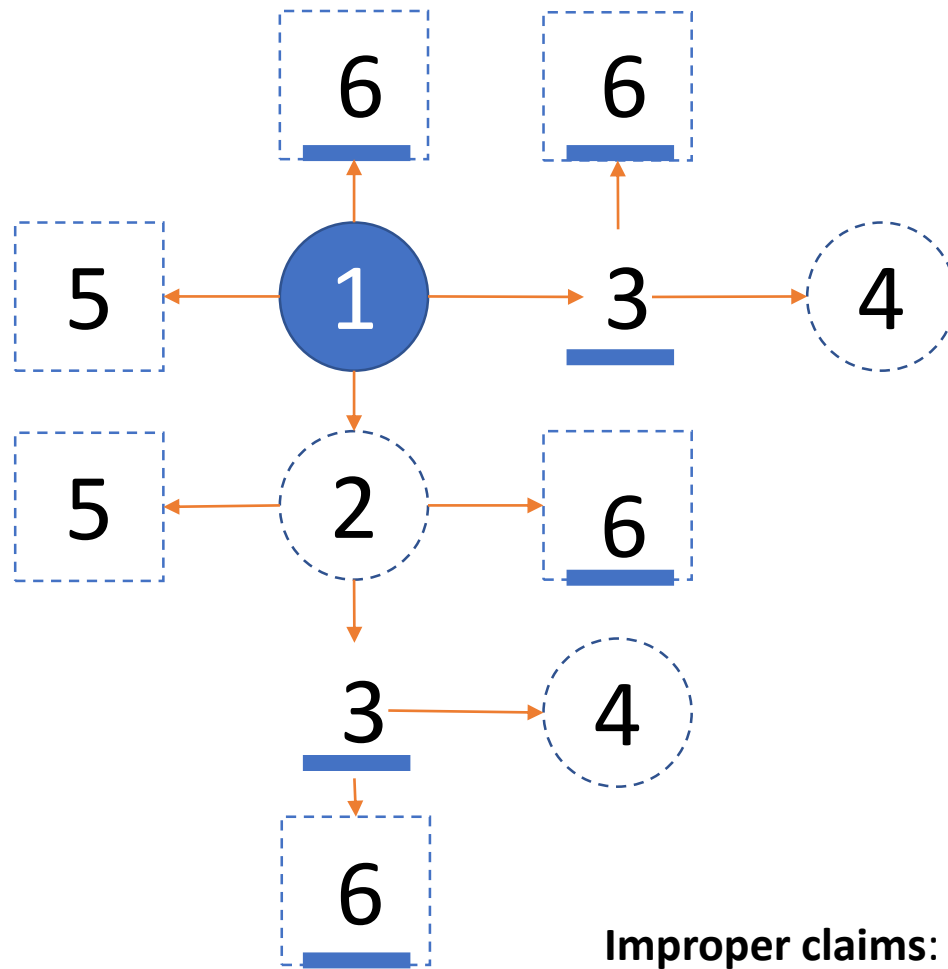

Example claim set:
1. Independent (count = 1)
2. Depends from claim 1 (count = 1)
3. Depends from claim 1 or claim 2 (count = 2)
4. Depends from claim 3 (count = 1)
5. Depends from claims 1 and 2 (count = 1; improper)
6. Depends from claims 1, 2, or 3 (count = 1; improper)

Claim 6 is improper as it's a multiple-dependent claim which depends from another multiple dependent claim (3).

Improper claims:
- Those that depend on A *and* B
- A multiple-dependent claim which depends from another multiple-dependent claim.

independent

dependent

N ___ multiple dependent

improper dependent (counts only 1x)