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Given a set \mathcal{F} of connected graphs, a graph G is said to be \mathcal{F} -free if G contains no member of \mathcal{F} as an induced subgraph. The members of \mathcal{F} are then referred to as forbidden subgraphs. Denote by $\mathcal{G}_k(\mathcal{F})$ the family of all k -connected \mathcal{F} -free graphs. The reader is surely familiar with theorems of the form stating that if $G \in \mathcal{G}_k(\mathcal{F})$ and $|V(G)|$ is sufficiently large, then G satisfies a given property P . But if $\mathcal{G}_k(\mathcal{F})$ itself is finite, such a theorem gives little information about the property P . With this in mind we study the sets \mathcal{F} with finite $\mathcal{G}_k(\mathcal{F})$.

We prove that if $|\mathcal{F}| \leq 2$ and $\mathcal{G}_k(\mathcal{F})$ is finite, then either $K_{1,2} \in \mathcal{F}$ or else \mathcal{F} consists of a complete graph and a star. For each of the values of k , $1 \leq k \leq 6$, we then characterize all pairs $\{K_\ell, K_{1,m}\}$ such that $\mathcal{G}_k(\{K_\ell, K_{1,m}\})$ is finite. We also give a complete characterization of \mathcal{F} such that $|\mathcal{F}| \leq 3$ and $\mathcal{G}_2(\mathcal{F})$ is finite. (Received January 02, 2012)