

Tutorial 3: Automated Negotiation

Exercise 1. Assume that you are negotiating with your friends on your holiday. The table below shows the negotiation issues and their possible values.

Issue	Possible values
Location	Antalya, Barcelona, Milan
Duration	one week, two weeks
Hotel Quality	Hostel, 3 star hotel, 5 star hotel

Agent A's preferences:

$W_{\text{location}} = 0.5$ $W_{\text{duration}} = 0.2$ $W_{\text{hotel-quality}} = 0.3$
Evaluation values: 1, 1, 0.4 for Antalya, Barcelona and Milan respectively
Evaluation values: 0.3, 1 for one week and two weeks respectively
Evaluation values: 1, 0.4, 0.6 for hostel, 3 star hotel and 5 star hotel respectively

Agent B's preferences:

$W_{\text{location}} = 0.5$ $W_{\text{duration}} = 0.4$ $W_{\text{hotel-quality}} = 0.1$
Evaluation values: 0.6, 0.4, 1 for Antalya, Barcelona and Milan respectively
Evaluation values: 0.7, 1 for one week and two weeks respectively
Evaluation values: 0.8, 0.8, 1 for hostel, 3 star hotel and 5 star hotel respectively

(a) Compute the Nash Point outcome.

(b) Assume that your opponent (Agent B) offers are as follows:

(Milan, 2 weeks, 5 star hotel), (Milan, 2 weeks, 3 star hotel), (Barcelona, 2 weeks, hostel), (Antalya, 1 week, 3 star hotel), (Antalya, 1 week, hostel), (Milan, 2 weeks, 5 star hotel).
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Agent A would like to model Agent B's preferences by employing "frequency analysis". What is the estimated preference profile (weights and evaluation values) after receiving the Agent B's bids above? Please take $n = 0.1$ in your estimation.

(c) Classify all negotiation steps by Agent B.

(d) Compute the sensitivity of Agent B to Agent A's preferences.

(e) If Agent A accepts the offer (Antalya, 1 week, hostel), would it be a Pareto optimal outcome?