

NPDA Flowsheet

Mercer Macke — Round 1

Resolution: Resolution goes here

AFF		NEG	
1A (PM):		1N (LO):	
2A (MG):		2N (MO):	

PMC	LOC	MG	MO	LOR	PMR
7 min	8 min	8 min	8 min	4 min	5 min

Notation Key							
⇒ Extend	X Drop	○ Turn	P Perm	LT L-Turn	IT I-Turn	N/L No Link	O/W Outweighs
AT: Against	LK Link	IX Impact Ext.	DA Disad	CP Counterplan	K Kritik	FW Framework	SV Solvency

Grand Overview (maybe better if print)

AFF Strat	NEG Strat
Interp / Plan:	Counter-Interp / CP:
Framework:	Framework:
Contentions: 1. 2. 3.	Off-Case: <input type="checkbox"/> DA: <input type="checkbox"/> CP: <input type="checkbox"/> K: <input type="checkbox"/> T/Theory:

Flow Sheet Manual

How to use this NPDA debate flow document

1. Setup

Before each round, edit the metadata in `preamble.tex`:

Command	What to change
<code>\tournament{...}</code>	Tournament name
<code>\roundnum{...}</code>	Round number (e.g. Round 1, Semis)
<code>\affteam{...}</code>	Aff team name / code
<code>\negteam{...}</code>	Neg team name / code
<code>\judge{...}</code>	Judge name
<code>\resolution{...}</code>	The resolution text

Fill in the **Cover Sheet** speaker names and case architecture during prep time.

2. Document Structure

Each page is a separate flow sheet. should be able to fill columns, but $\text{L}^{\text{A}}\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$ is being finicky, so I'm deleting the how to use right now.

The six columns on each flow correspond to the six NPDA speeches:

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7 min	8 min	8 min	8 min	4 min	5 min

Blue columns = Aff speeches. Red columns = Neg speeches. The column headers will automatically update with the speech names you set in the metadata.

3. Notation Reference

Symbol	Macro	Meaning
<i>Core Symbols</i>		
⇒	\ext	Extend
X	\drop	Dropped
↻	\turn	Turn
P	\perm	Perm
<i>Turns & Responses</i>		
LT	\lturn	Link turn
IT	\iturn	Impact turn
N/L	\nl	No link
O/W	\ow	Outweighs
AT:	\at	Against / Answering – prefix for responses (e.g. AT: C1)
<i>Argument Labels</i>		
LK	\link	Link
IX	\ix	Impact
DA	\da	Disadvantage
CP	\cp	Counterplan
K	\kk	Kritik
FW	\fw	Framework
SV	\solv	Solvency
<i>Speed List Commands</i>		
\n	\n	Next Level (Level Down) — Opens a new nested list level (1. → a. → i.).
\x	\x	New Item — Starts a new numbered or lettered argument line.
\b	\b	Back Out (Level Up) — Closes the current list level and returns to the previous one.

This is still a work in progress, Considering adding theory notation, also maybe just macros for perm do both perm do aff then do neg?

4. Example Flow Entries

Common patterns you'll write in cells:

You write	Meaning
<code>\ext\ econ \ix\</code>	\Rightarrow econ IX – extend econ impact
<code>\drop\ \solv\</code>	X SV – dropped solvency
<code>\at\ C1: \nl</code>	AT: C1: N/L – answering contention 1 with “no link”
<code>\lturn\ -- helps aff</code>	LT – helps aff – link turn helps aff
<code>\ow\ -- scope + mag</code>	O/W – scope + mag – outweighs on scope and magnitude
<code>\perm\ do both</code>	P do both – perm: do both the plan and alt

5. Tips

- Probably use this with VSCode. You can open the folder as a workspace and easily switch between sheets. You can also use the LaTeX Workshop extension to compile and view PDFs directly in VSCode.
- To compile, just run `pdflatex cover.tex` (or whichever sheet you're working on) in the terminal. Make sure you have \LaTeX installed. Maybe this works easier with Overleaf. I suspect yes, and then both people can see the flow at the same time.
- Probably make the macros what you want.
- When switching sheets, maybe it's a good idea to quickly close pdf doc, open new panel, then press Ctrl-Alt-V or the icon with magnifying glass and split screen if using LaTeX Workshop in VSCode. Otherwise the pdf viewer might not update to the new sheet.
- Probably control-f is your friend, especially when you go to the actual tex files.

Framework

PMC	LOC	MG	MO	LOR	PMR
1. FWROB something					
(a) something					
(b) something					
2. something else new					

Advantage 1:

PMC

LOC

MG

MO

LOR

PMR

Advantage 2:

PMC

LOC

MG

MO

LOR

PMR

Advantage 3:

PMC

LOC

MG

MO

LOR

PMR

Advantage 4:

PMC

LOC

MG

MO

LOR

PMR

Disadvantage 1:

1AC

LOC

MG

MO

LOR

PMR

Disadvantage 2:

1AC

LOC

MG

MO

LOR

PMR

Counterplan A:

PMC

LOC

MG

MO

LOR

PMR

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| 1. CP Text: The USFG should provide \$50B in direct grants to state energy boards.
2. Competition: CP is mutually exclusive; federal mandates stifle state innovation. | 1. PD Do both—Federal funding with state execution.
2. No Net Benefit—Federal standards are needed for grid security.
3. AT Text: Vague; "significantly increase" lacks a specific mechanism. |
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| 1. Solvency: State boards are closer to local grids.
2. Empirics: 2024 TX/CA grants deployed 40% faster than DOE. | 1. No Solvency—States currently face \$200B in budget deficits.
2. Local corruption leads to mismanagement of grant funds.
3. IT States will use funds to subsidize fossil fuel plants. |
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| 1. AT :NB: Avoids Federal Spending DA.
2. AT :NB: Bypasses NEPA federal regulatory delays. | 1. No NB—NEPA delays still apply to state-level infrastructure.
2. Spending still happens—it just moves from one ledger to another. |
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| | 1. Conditionality Bad—Neg shouldn't get to kick the CP in the 2NR. |
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Advocacy / Plan Text: _____

The KAff Advocacy
The advocacy text or performative method (e.g., The Affirmative acts as a site of resistance against...)

PMC	LOC	MG	MO	LOR	PMR
Method/Framework					
Links/Impacts					
Alt/Solvency					

The Kritik Alternative: _____

Proposed Alternative / Methodology
The Alternative text (e.g., The Negative acts as a site of refusal...)

PMC	LOC Framework	MG	MO	LOR	PMR
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	Links	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	Impacts	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	Alternative	_____	_____	_____	_____

Theory / Topicality: _____

Interpretation	Violation	Standards	Voters

Shell:

PMC	LOC	MG	MO	LOR	PMR
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Counter-Interpretation / We Meet:

PMC	LOC	MG	MO	LOR	PMR
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Counter-Standards / RVIs:

PMC	LOC	MG	MO	LOR	PMR
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Impact Calculus / Overviews

AFF Overviews	NEG Overviews

Impact Comparison:

Impact	Magnitude	Probability	Timeframe	Reversibility

Voting Issues

Vote AFF Because...	Vote NEG Because...
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.

RFD / Decision Notes:

Winner: ☐ AFF ☐ NEG

Speaker Evaluation

Speaker	Notes	Pts
1A (PM)		/30
1N (LO)		/30
2A (MG)		/30
2N (MO)		/30