

## CSP Example.

- There are three **different** musicians: **John, Mark, and Sam**.
- They each come from a **different** country; one comes from the **United States**, one from **Australia**, and one from **Japan**.
- They each play a **different** musical instrument; one plays the **piano**, one the **saxophone**, and one the **violin**.

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- They take turns playing a solo piece of music (that is, they take turns playing alone) and each musician plays a solo only once.
  - The **pianist** plays first.
  - **John** plays the **saxophone** and plays before the **Australian**.
  - **Mark** comes from the **United States** and plays before the **violinist**.
1. What is the order the instruments are played.
  2. Who plays what instrument
  3. What is the nationality of each player

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- Solve this by setting it up as a CSP and then using backtracking search to solve it.
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- **Finally** we use the same logic for the countries

- One variable for each country **aust, us, japan**
- Domain of values {1, 2, 3}
- E.g., japan = 1 indicates that the Japanese plays first

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- CSP Formulation

- Variables **john, mark, sam, violin, sax, piano, aust, us, japan.**

- Domain of each variable = {1, 2, 3}

- Constraints:

- 1. Each musician, instrument, and country is different:

- john  $\neq$  mark, john  $\neq$  sam, sam  $\neq$  mark**

- violin  $\neq$  sax, violin  $\neq$  piano, sax  $\neq$  piano**

- aust  $\neq$  us, aust  $\neq$  japan, us  $\neq$  japan**

- 2. The pianist plays first. **Unary constraint.** We can account for that by removing from the domain of **piano** all values that violate the constraint **Dom[piano] = {1}**

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  - Variables **john, mark, sam, violin, sax, piano, aust, us, japan.**
  - Domain of each variable = {1, 2, 3}
  - Constraints:
    4. **John** plays the **saxophone** and plays before the **Australia**
      - 4a: **john = sax**
      - 4b: **john < aust**
    5. **Mark** comes from the **United States** and plays before the **violinist**.
      - 5a: **mark = us**
      - 5b: **mark < violin**

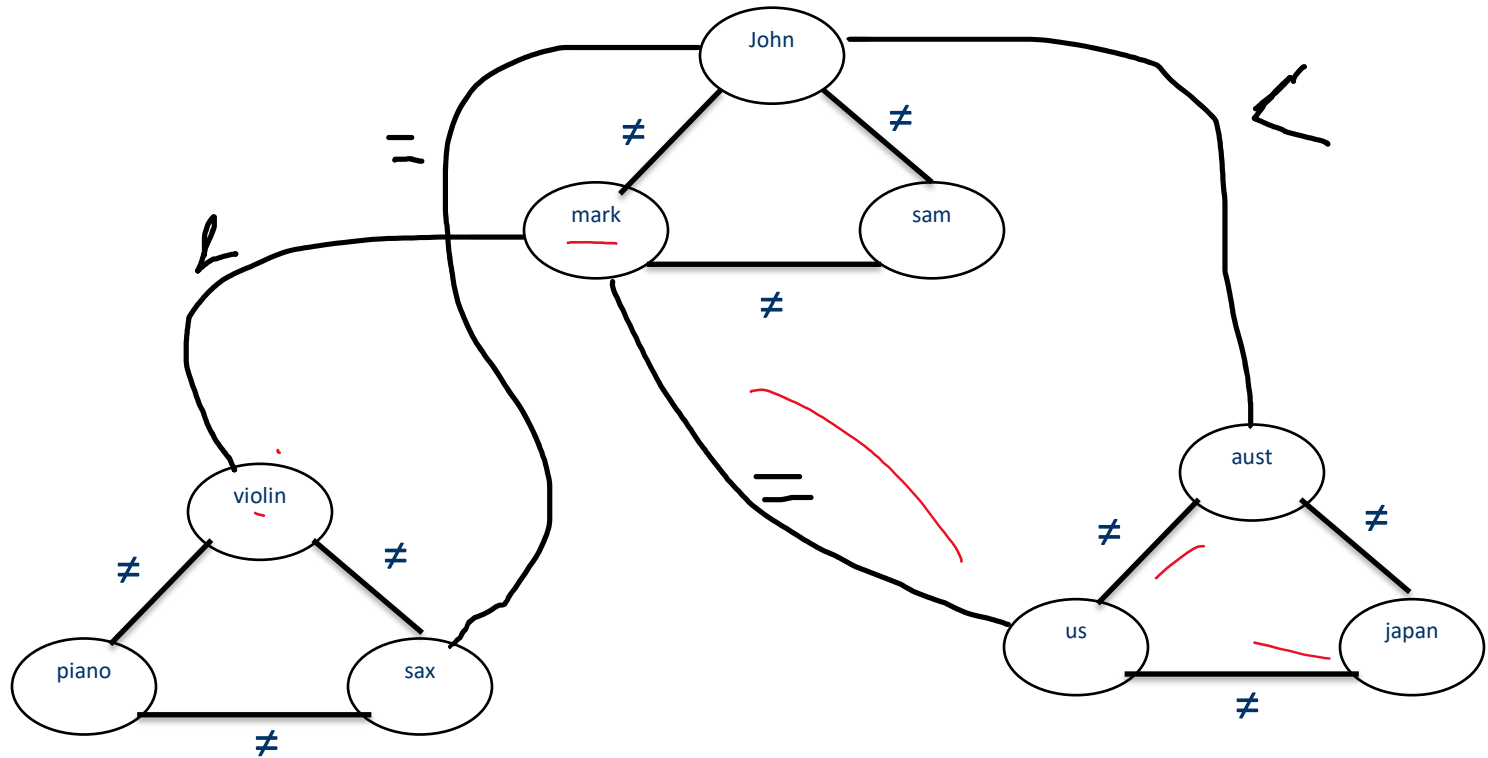
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- CSP Formulation
  - Variables **john, mark, sam, violin, sax, piano, aust, us, japan.**
  - Domain of each variable except piano = {1, 2, 3}
  - Dom[piano] = {1}
  - Constraints:
    1. **john  $\neq$  mark, john  $\neq$  sam, sam  $\neq$  mark**
    2. **violin  $\neq$  sax, violin  $\neq$  piano, sax  $\neq$  piano**
    3. **aust  $\neq$  us, aust  $\neq$  japan, us  $\neq$  japan**
    4. **john = sax**
    5. **john < aust**
    6. **mark = us**
    7. **mark < violin**



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- Solve by Forward Checking (all binary constraints so good for FC) + MRV (minimum remaining values)

