CMPS 102 — Fall 2018 – Homework 1

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I have read and agree to the collaboration policy.

Collaborators: none

Solution to Problem 1

To disprove that for any set of preference lists, Alice cannot end up with David by lying about Ben and Carl, consider the following preferences:

Men	Preference 1	Preference 2	Preference 3
David	Cindy	Alice	Jane
Ben	Alice	Cindy	Jane
Carl	Alice	Jane	Cindy

Women	Preference 1	Preference 2	Preference 3
Alice	David	Ben	Carl
Jane	Ben	Carl	David
Cindy	Carl	Ben	David

Claim 1. Gale Shapely without lying will result in Alice being matched with someone other than David.

Proof. Following Gale Shapely, we see the following events:

- David proposes to Cindy, Cindy accepts.
- Ben proposes to Alice, Alice accepts.
- Carl proposes to Alice, Alice declines.
- Carl proposes to Jane, Jane accepts.
- Terminate.

Couples are as follows:

David and Cindy

Ben and Alice Carl and Jane

Claim 2. When Alice lies and says she prefers Carl over Ben, she gets paired with David.

Proof. Following Gale Shapely with the new preference list, we see the following events:

- David proposes to Cindy, Cindy accepts.
- Ben proposes to Alice, Alice accepts.
- Carl proposes to Alice, Alice accepts.
- Ben proposes to Cindy, Cindy accepts.
- David proposes to Alice, Alice accepts.
- Carl proposes to Jane, Jane accepts
- Terminate.

Couples are as follows:

David and Alice

Ben and Cindy

Carl and Jane

As we can see, the results are different and Alice did indeed benefit by lying about her preferences.