

P1) a) False. there does not need to be 1<sup>st</sup> preference  
to 1<sup>st</sup> preference matching

if we have  $m$  and  $m'$   
and  $w$  and  $w'$   
where  $m$  prefers  $w > w'$   
 $m' \rightarrow w' > w$   
 $w$  prefers  $m' > m$   
 $w' \rightarrow m > m'$

Here none of the matches contain both  
first preferences ~~first~~ but it is still a stable  
matching.

either both women get their first preference  
or both men get their first preference which  
works because the stable matching also requires  
at least one pairing where one ~~man~~ <sup>single</sup> gets  
their first preference

11) b) True  $m \neq w$   
 $(m, w) \in S$

$(m, w)$   $(m', w)$   
 $m \rightarrow w > w'$   
 $w \rightarrow \text{as } m > m'$

Case 1:  $m' \rightarrow w > w'$

If  $m'$  proposes to  $w$  first,  $w$  will leave him for  $m$  because  $w \rightarrow m > m'$ , so  
Or if  $m$  proposes to  $w$  first then  $w$  will stay with  $m$  because  $w$  prefers  $m > m'$

Case 2:  $m'$  prefers  $w' > w$

If  $m'$  proposes to  $w'$  and  $m$  proposes to  $w$ , then there will be no conflict of interests because  $m$  prefers  $w > w'$ , and  $m'$  prefers  $w' > w$ , so  $w$  prefers  $m > m'$  and  $w'$  ~~does~~ preference don't matter. So it must be the case that  $(m, w)$  will be in every stable matching  $S$