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Double Sided Matching

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1 Introduction

In this project we investigated the double sided matching problem (also known as the stable matching problem) along with its application in economics. At the beginning a theoretical overview in algorithmic game theory is provided. Afterwards we implemented a functional prototype in NetLogo[1]. This prototype was evaluated based on two matching problems: matching of students seeking an university place and universities offering those places in Austria and the matching of the labor supply and labor demand in the European Union.

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2 Theory

2.1 The Double Sided Matching Problem

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The double sided matching problem...

The stable matching problem refers to the problem of finding a matching between two sets of elements which may be equally sized. In [2, p. 9] this problem is firstly described based on an example of college admission: a college is considering a set of n applicants of which it can admit only a quota of q .

The assignment of students and colleges is not allowed to be unstable, i.e. there are two applicants α and β who are assigned to colleges A and B although β prefers A to B and A prefers α to β . If this does not occur, the assignment is called *stable*. In case there is more than one stable solution the *optimal* one is of particular interest. In the previously mentioned college example a stable assignment is called *optimal* if every applicant is at least well off as it would be under any other stable assignment [2, p. 10]. In Economics this is also known as pareto efficiency [3, p. 46].

2.2 Gale and Shapley Algorithm

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2.3 Relevance to Game Theory

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3 Prototype

3.1 Subsection

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4 Prototype Evaluation: College Applications in Austria

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5 Prototype Evaluation: Labor Market in the European Union

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6 Summary and Future Work

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7 Example

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Figure 7.1: One angry bird.



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7.2 Example for list (3*itemize)

- First item in a list
 - First item in a list
 - * First item in a list
 - * Second item in a list
 - Second item in a list
- Second item in a list

7.3 Example for list (enumerate)

1. First item in a list
2. Second item in a list
3. Third item in a list

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