

1. Problem 1

a. Plurality - only the first place vote is counted

$$a: 10 * 1 + 7 * 0 + 6 * 0 + 3 * 0 = 10$$

$$b: 10 * 0 + 7 * 0 + 6 * 0 + 3 * 1 = 3$$

$$c: 10 * 0 + 7 * 0 + 6 * 1 + 3 * 0 = 6$$

$$d: 10 * 0 + 7 * 1 + 6 * 0 + 3 * 0 = 7$$

a has the most so a wins.

b. Borda - points awarded based on rank in each ordered list

$$a: 10 * 4 + 7 * 3 + 6 * 2 + 3 * 1 = 76$$

$$b: 10 * 3 + 7 * 2 + 6 * 1 + 3 * 4 = 62$$

$$c: 10 * 2 + 7 * 1 + 6 * 4 + 3 * 3 = 60$$

$$d: 10 * 1 + 7 * 4 + 6 * 3 + 3 * 2 = 62$$

a has the most so a wins.

c. Veto - the least times a candidate came in last

$$a: 10 * 0 + 7 * 0 + 6 * 0 + 3 * 1 = 3$$

$$b: 10 * 0 + 7 * 0 + 6 * 1 + 3 * 0 = 6$$

$$c: 10 * 0 + 7 * 1 + 6 * 0 + 3 * 0 = 7$$

$$d: 10 * 1 + 7 * 0 + 6 * 0 + 3 * 0 = 10$$

a has the least number of vetos so a wins.

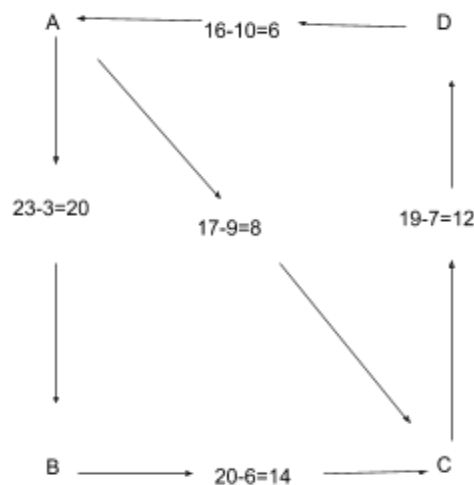
d. Plurality with runoff - new election for two top winners based on who is ahead

$$a: 10 * 1 + 7 * 0 + 6 * 0 + 3 * 0 = 10$$

$$d: 10 * 0 + 7 * 1 + 6 * 1 + 3 * 1 = 16$$

d wins the second election, so d wins.

e. Draw weighted majority graph.



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A won the most pairwise elections against other candidates.

2. Problem 2 - voting rule is STV

a. Before switch:

first round: a: 27 b:24 c:42

second round: a: 27 c: 68

After switch:

first round: a: 23 b: 24 c: 46

second round: b: 47 c: 46

The paradoxical outcome occurs because after this switch, a gets knocked out instead of b in the first round. In the second round, this propagates to b winning over c (51 to 46) which would not have happened if the switch did not occur, where c would have won over a (68 to 27).

b. Before switch:

first round: a: 27 b:24 c:42

second round: a: 27 c: 68

After switch:

first round: a: 23 b: 24 c: 42

second round: b: 47 c: 42

B would win again because the same occurrence happens as in (a) where b knocks out a in the first round, then wins over c in the second round.

3. Prove that all edge weights in a WMG(P) have the same parity.

Let there be  $N$  votes in some  $WMG(P)$ .

a weighted majority graph compares any pair of candidates based on which is ahead of the other, and therefore for two candidates  $x$  and  $y$  whose number of votes over each other are  $N_{x>y}$  and  $N_{y>x}$  respectively, their number of votes add to the total

$N_{x>y} + N_{y>x} = N$ . Also let  $WMG(P)_{x>y}$  be the edge weight of the weighted majority graph.

Using this we know that

$N - N_{y>x} = WMG(P)_{x>y} + N_{y>x}$ , so therefore  $N - WMG(P)_{x>y} = 2N_{y>x}$

and vice versa that

$N - (N_{x>y} - WMG(P)_{x>y}) = N_{x>y}$ , so therefore  $N + WMG(P)_{x>y} = 2N_{x>y}$

Since  $2N_{y>x}$  is always even, then  $N - WMG(P)_{x>y}$  is also even which means that

$WMG(P)_{x>y}$  shares the parity of  $N$ , proving that is is either all even or all odd for any pair of candidates.

4. Compute an NE by iteratively removing dominated state.

C is eliminated because it is dominated by U for player 1.

R is eliminated because it is dominated by M and L for player 2

D is eliminated because U performs just as well or better for player 1.

L is eliminated because it is dominated by M for player 2.

Therefore we end with U,M = 1,3

5. Problem 5

a. Show that the GSP is not truthful in this case.

Bidder 1:  $100(10 - 9) = \$100$

Bidder 2:  $60(9 - 7) = \$120$

Bidder 3:  $40(7 - 1) = \$240$

Bidder 4:  $0(1 - 0) = \$0$

Bidders 1 and 2 have an incentive to lie because if they report truthfully their utility is less than if they under-bid their true value, for example bidder 1 can bid 8 and their utility becomes  $60(10 - 7) = \$180$ . Bidder 1 may also bid 6, their utility will become  $40(10 - 1) = \$360$ . If bidder 2 bids 6 the utility would increase to  $40(9 - 1) = \$320$ .

- b. VGG for agent  $j$  is  $p_j = \max_a \sum_{i \neq j} v_i(a) - \sum_{i \neq j} v_i(a^*)$  where  $a^* = \operatorname{argmax}_a SCW(a)$  and

$$SCW(a) = \sum_j v_j^*(a)$$

The outcome after bidding is:

bidder 1: 100 clicks

bidder 2: 60 clicks

bidder 3: 40 clicks

bidder 4: 0 clicks

bidder 1:  $(100(9) + 60(7) + 40(1)) - (60(9) + 40(7)) = 540 = 5.4$  pay per click

bidder 2:  $(100(10) + 60(7) + 40(1)) - (100(10) + 40(7)) = 180 = 1.8$  pay per click

bidder 3:  $(100(10) + 60(9) + 40(1)) - (100(10) + 60(9)) = 40 = 0.4$  pay per click

bidder 4:  $(100(10) + 60(9) + 40(7)) - (100(10) + 60(9) + 7(40)) = 0$  pay per click