

**19/20 Mid Term, Part III, Q2**

**Claim:** Step 1(a) does not ensure that  $X_2, \dots, X_n$  is a tree-structured CSP, thus you cannot run the tree-structured algo on it.

Let  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  $D_{X_i} = \{0, 1\}$ , Constraints  $:= \langle (X_i, X_j), X_i \neq X_j \rangle$ .

Set  $X_1 = 0$ . Running forward checking will cause  $D_{x_2} = \{1\}$ . Since none of the domains are empty, the solution proceeds to run the algorithm for tree-structured CSPs, when the CSP is not a tree.