

Stable Matching with Efforts

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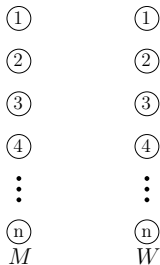


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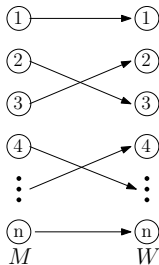


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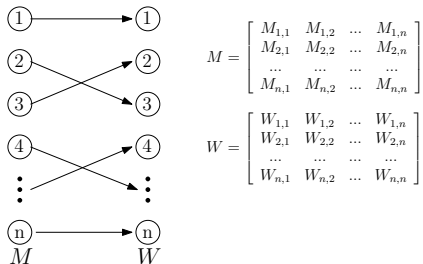


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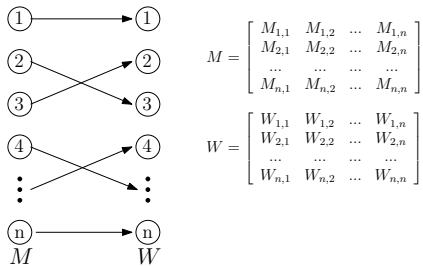


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Definition

We say that a matching μ is **stable** if it does not exist a pair $i, j \in M \times W$ s.t.

1. i and j are not a couple,
2. $M_{i,j} > M_{i,\mu_i}$ and $W_{i,j} > W_{\mu'_j,j}$

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