

Computational Social Choice

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Rank Aggregation

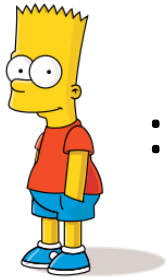
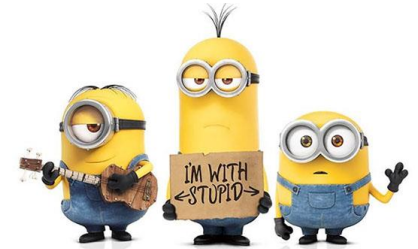
- Rank aggregation (also known as voting) is the problem of aggregating several ordered lists of alternatives
- Input:
 - a set of alternatives (candidates) $C = \{c_1, \dots, c_m\}$
 - a set of voters $V = \{1, \dots, n\}$
 - for each voter, a total order (ranking) over C
- Output:
 - a winner
 - a set of winners
 - a total ranking of the alternatives

Rank Aggregation: Examples

- What movie should the Simpson family watch?



: Frozen > Paddington > Minions



: Paddington > Minions > Frozen



: Minions > Paddington > Frozen



Rank Aggregation: Examples

- Which PhD applicant should the algorithmic game theory group at Oxford accept?
 - Paul: $X > Y > Z$
 - Elias: $Y > X > Z$
 - Edith: $Z > Y > X$



Rank Aggregation: Examples

- United Kingdom (specific precinct)
 - candidates: Conservatives (C), Labour (L), Liberal Democrats (LD)
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 - 4 000 voters: $LD > C > L$

Example: Competition for a Fellowship

- Candidates: **50** students
- Voters: **15** panel members
 - each panel member has a ranking of the candidates
(or perhaps **top 10** candidates)
- Goal: select **10** students who will get a **fellowship**
- Asking each panel member to vote for her favorite candidate is **not appropriate**:
 - at most **7** students can get **2** or more votes

Example: Ranking of the Universities

- A **panel of experts** is supposed to rank UK universities
 - Expert 1: Cambridge > Oxford > UCL > Imperial
 - Expert 2: Oxford > Cambridge > Imperial > UCL
 - Expert 3: UCL > Cambridge > Oxford > Imperial
 - Expert 4: Oxford > Imperial > Cambridge > UCL
 - Expert 5: Imperial > Cambridge > UCL > Oxford
- Goal: produce a total ranking of 4 universities

Example: Ranking of the Universities

- A panel is supposed to rank UK universities
- Rankings are based on **5 different criteria**:
 - reputation ranking
 - grant income
 - student satisfaction
 - number of research papers published
 - average salary after graduation
- Rankings:
 - **criterion 1**: Cambridge > Oxford > Imperial > UCL
 - **criterion 2**: Oxford > Cambridge > UCL > Imperial
 - **criterion 3**: UCL > Cambridge > Oxford > Imperial
 - **criterion 4**: Oxford > Imperial > Cambridge > UCL
 - **criterion 5**: Imperial > Cambridge > UCL > Oxford
- Should all criteria have the **same weight**?

Part 1: the zoo of voting rules

Single-Winner Rules: Plurality

- Plurality:
 - each voter names his favorite candidate
 - candidates with the largest number of votes win
 - if two or more candidates get the highest score, the winner is chosen using some tie-breaking rule
- For 2 candidates, Plurality selects the majority winner

Political Voting

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 - Plurality outcome: C wins with 25000 votes

Single-Winner Rules: Plurality

- Plurality is obviously the best voting rule if there are only **2** candidates
- However, for **3** candidates it may behave in an undesirable way
 - the **majority** of voters may **prefer some other alternative** to the current winner
 - voters have an incentive to vote **non-truthfully**

Plurality: Example Revisited

- United Kingdom elections:
 - 25 000 voters: $C > LD > L$
 - 20 000 voters: $L > LD > C$
 - 11 000 voters: $LD > L > C$
 - 4 000 voters: $LD > C > L$
- Outcome under Plurality:
 - C wins with 25000 votes
- Undesirable properties:
 - 31 000 voters prefer L to C , 35 000 voters prefer LD to C
 - the voters with ranking $LD > L > C$ would be better off voting L

Two-Round Elections

1. All voters vote for their **favorite** candidate
2. All but the two highest-scoring candidates are **eliminated**
3. The voters are asked to vote again over the **remaining** candidates

This rule is known as Plurality with Runoff;
used in France for presidential elections

Plurality With Runoff: Example

- United Kingdom elections:
 - 25 000 voters: C > LD > L
 - 20 000 voters: L > LD > C
 - 11 000 voters: LD > L > C
 - 4 000 voters: LD > C > L
- 1st round: C: 25 000, L: 20 000, LD: 15 000
 - noone has more than 30 000 votes, so LD is eliminated
- 2nd round: C: 25 000+4 000, L: 20 000 + 11 000
 - L gets the majority of votes, so it wins

Multi-Round Elections

1. All voters vote for their **favorite** candidate
2. If some candidate gets **more** than **50%** of the votes, he is declared the **winner**
3. Otherwise, the candidate with the **smallest** number of votes is **eliminated**
4. The voters are asked to vote again over the **remaining** candidates
5. The process repeats **until** some candidate gets a **majority** of votes

Single Transferable Vote

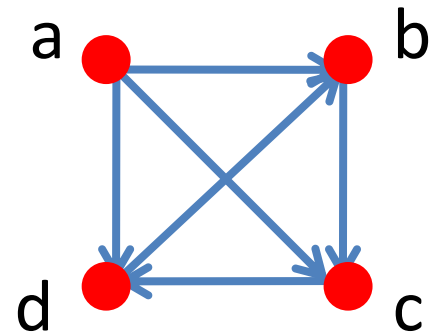
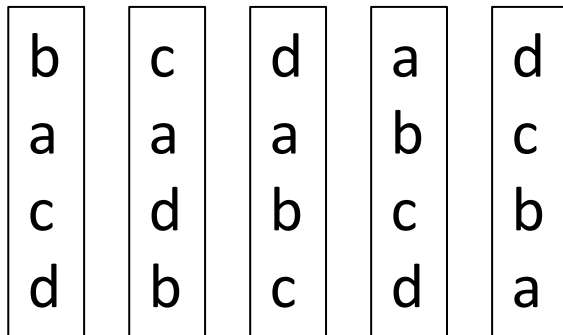
- Multi-round elections often produce a more **appealing** outcome than Plurality
- However, they are **hard to implement**:
 - voters have to come to voting booths **many times**
- Single Transferable Vote: an **implementation** of multi-round elections in a **single round** of voting
 - each voter submits a total ranking of candidates
 - the election authority **simulates** multi-winner elections based on the information in the ballots (assuming that all voters always vote for their most preferred **available** candidate)
- UK had a referendum of switching to STV on **May 5th, 2011** - but the decision was “no”

How Good are Plurality With Runoff and STV?

- United Kingdom elections:
 - 25 000 voters: $C > LD > L$
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- Plurality chooses C , STV chooses L
- Yet, 40 000 voters prefer LD to L and 35 000 voters prefer LD to C
- Under both Plurality and STV, more than 50% of voters would have preferred a different candidate
- Under STV, the voters who rank C first would be better off voting for LD

Condorcet Winners

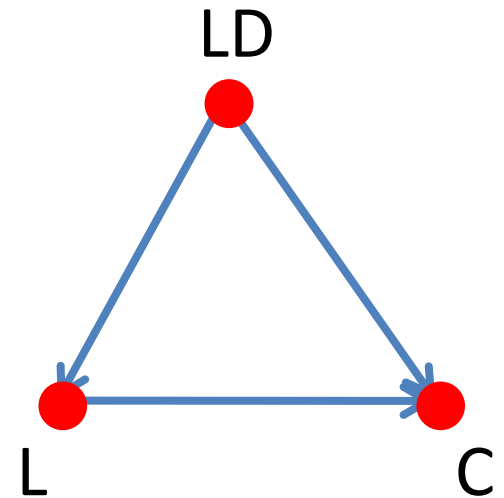
- Suppose that each of the n voters has a ranking of all m candidates
- Definition: a candidate c wins a **pairwise election** against a candidate d if more than half of the voters rank c above d
- A candidate is said to be a **Condorcet winner** if he wins in all pairwise elections he participates in



a is the Condorcet winner

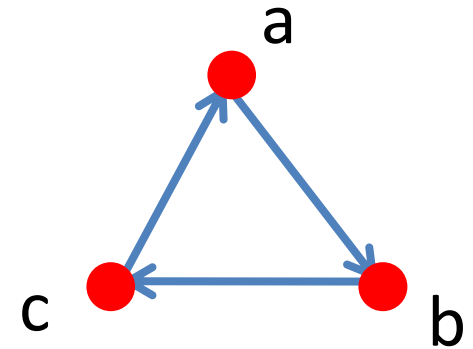
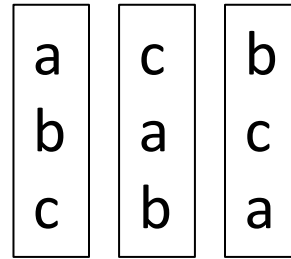
Condorcet Consistency

- A voting rule is said to be **Condorcet-consistent** if it selects the Condorcet winner whenever it exists
- United Kingdom elections:
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 - 4 000 voters: $LD > C > L$
- Plurality chooses C , STV chooses L
- LD is the Condorcet winner
 - even though it has the smallest number of voters who rank it first
- Hence, neither Plurality nor STV are Condorcet-consistent



Do Elections Always Have Condorcet Winners?

- 2 voters rank **a** above **b**
- 2 voters rank **b** above **c**
- 2 voters rank **c** above **a**
- No Condorcet winner!



- Definition: **G** is a pairwise majority graph for an election **E** with a candidate set **C** if its vertex set is **C** and there is an edge from **a** to **b** iff majority of voters prefer **a** to **b**
- Theorem: any directed graph with no 2-cycles can arise as a pairwise majority graph

Condorcet-Consistent Rules: Copeland

- A Condorcet-consistent rule must elect a Condorcet winner when one exists
 - how can we extend this principle if there is no Condorcet winner?
- Copeland rule: each candidate gets
 - 1 point for each pairwise election he wins
 - 0.5 points for each pairwise election he ties
 - the candidate with the largest number of points wins
- In an m -candidate election, if a Condorcet winner exists, he gets $m-1$ point, all other candidates get at most $m-2$ points

Condorcet-Consistent Rules: Maximin

- Maximin rule: the score of each candidate is the number of **votes** he gets in his **worst pairwise** election
 - the candidate with the highest score wins
- In an **n**-voter election,
if a Condorcet winner exists
 - his Maximin score is greater than **$n/2$** ,
 - everyone else's Maximin score is less than **$n/2$**

Condorcet-Consistent Rules: Dodgson

- **Dodgson score** of a candidate X : a number of **swaps** of adjacent candidates needed to make X the Condorcet winner
 - NP-hard to compute

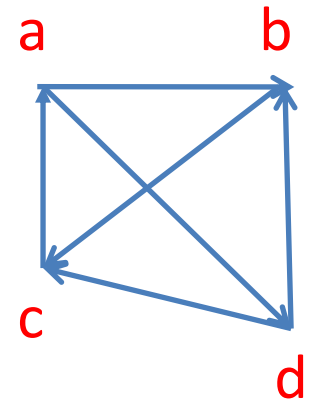
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- **Dodgson winner(s)**: the candidate(s) with the **smallest** Dodgson score

Scoring Rules

- Condorcet-consistent rules are **hard to explain** to voters
 - implementation is non-trivial
- Alternative: **scoring rules**
- A **scoring rule** for an election with **m** candidates is given by a vector (s_1, \dots, s_m) , $s_1 \geq \dots \geq s_m$
 - each candidate gets s_i points from each voter who ranks him **i**-th
 - candidate with the **maximum number of points** wins
- Plurality is a scoring rule with score vector $(1, 0, \dots, 0)$
- Borda: $(m-1, m-2, \dots, 2, 1, 0)$
- k-approval: $(\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_k, 0, \dots, 0)$
 - equivalent to allowing voters to vote for **k** candidates

Competition for a Fellowship Revisited

- Candidates: 50 students
- Voters: 15 panel members
 - each panel member has a ranking of the candidates (or perhaps top 10 candidates)
- Goal: select 10 students who will get a fellowship
- 10-approval (aka Bloc):
 - each voter is asked to vote for top 10 candidates
- Truncated Borda:
 - each voter is asked to identify top 10 candidates, and order them
 - each student gets $11 - i$ points from each voter who ranks him in position i
- In either case, students with top 10 total scores win

Scoring Rules

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- Plurality: C wins with 25 000 points
- Borda:
 - C gets $2 \times 25\,000 + 1 \times 4\,000 = 54\,000$ points
 - L gets $2 \times 20\,000 + 1 \times 11\,000 = 51\,000$ points
 - LD gets $1 \times 45\,000 + 2 \times 15\,000 = 75\,000$ points
- 2-approval:
 - C : 29 000, L : 31 000, LD : 60 000

Scoring Rules: Pro and Contra

- Scoring rules are easy to understand and implement
- They take into account preferences other than just the voter's top choice
- However, **no** scoring rule is Condorcet-consistent
 - Borda:

a	b	c	d	e
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a	b	e	d	c
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b	c	d	e	a
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 - **a** is the Condorcet winner, yet **a** gets **8** points, while **b** gets **10**
- Borda rule is very easy to manipulate:
 - 3 voters: $a > b > c > d > e$
 - 1 voter: $b > a > c > d > e$ } **a: 15, b: 13**
 - if the last voter, who prefers **b**, votes $b > c > d > e > a$, **a** loses **3** points, so **b** wins

Bucklin's rule

- How do we choose k for k -approval?
- One possible answer: adaptively
- Let k^* be the smallest value of k such that there is a candidate ranked in top k positions by more than $n/2$ voters
- **Bucklin rule**: output all k^* -approval winners
- Alternative interpretation:
 - for $k = 1, \dots, m$ do
 - ask each voter to name their top k candidates
 - stop when some candidate is named by a **majority**
 - report all such candidates

Schulze's Rule

- Consider the weighted majority graph
 - the weight of the edge AB is the number of voters who prefer A to B
 - only keep edges whose weight is $\geq n/2$
- Strength of a path from A to B :
min weight along that path
- $p[A, B]$: strength of the strongest path from A to B
- A is a winner if $p[A, B] \geq p[B, A]$ for all B
 - always exists

Ties?

- All rules defined so far may produce **multiple winners**
- In a sense, this is unavoidable
 - suppose input election contains a single copy of each of the **$m!$** permutations of candidates
- Tie-breaking:
 - **lexicographic** (based on a candidate order)
 - **randomized**
 - uniform over top-scoring **candidates**
 - pick a random **voter**, ask her to break the tie

Rankings: Social Welfare Functions

- Score-based rules can be used to produce **rankings**: order candidates by score
 - not just scoring functions, but also Copeland, Maximin, etc.
- **Kemeny rule**:
 - for two votes u, v , let $d(u, v) = \# \{(A, B) : A >_u B, B >_v A\}$
 - find a ranking that minimizes the **total distance** to votes

Ranking of the Universities: Borda

- A **panel of experts** is supposed to rank UK universities
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 - Expert 2: Oxford > Cambridge > Imperial > UCL
 - Expert 3: UCL > Cambridge > Oxford > Imperial
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 - Expert 5: IMperial > Cambridge > UCL > Oxford
- Goal: produce a total ranking of 4 universities
- Borda rule:
 - each university gets **4-i** points from each expert who ranks it in position **i**
 - Cambridge: **10**, Oxford: **9**, UCL: **5**, Imperial: **6**

Ranking of the Universities: Kemeny

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 - Expert 4: Oxford > Imperial > Cambridge > UCL
 - Expert 5: Imperial > Cambridge > UCL > Oxford
- Goal: produce a total ranking of 4 universities
- Kemeny rule:
 - need to score each of the 24 possible rankings
 - e.g., Oxford > Cambridge > UCL > Imperial scores 5+5+3+1

Complexity of Winner Determination

- Can we efficiently compute the outcome of a voting rule?
 - poly-time algorithms: scoring rules, Copeland, Maximin, Schulze
 - NP-hard: Dodgson, Kemeny
 - it's complicated: STV
 - we can run STV breaking ties in some way and find some winner
 - it is NP-hard to decide whether a given candidate is a winner for some way of breaking ties

Part 2: Justifying Voting Rules

Desirable Properties of Voting Rules

- **Anonymity**: all voters are treated in the same way
 - +: all
- **Neutrality**: all candidates are treated in the same way
 - +: all (ties?)
- **Condorcet consistency**
 - +: Copeland, Maximin, Dodgson, Schulze
 - : Plurality, Plurality with Runoff, STV, Borda

Criteria for Voting Rules: Single-Winner Elections

- **Consistency:** consider two elections with **disjoint sets of voters** over the **same set of candidates**. If **c** wins in both elections, he should also win when we **merge** these two elections
 - + : scoring rules
 - : (nearly) everything else
- **Pareto efficiency:**
if all voters rank **a** above **b**, **b** should not win
 - + : all

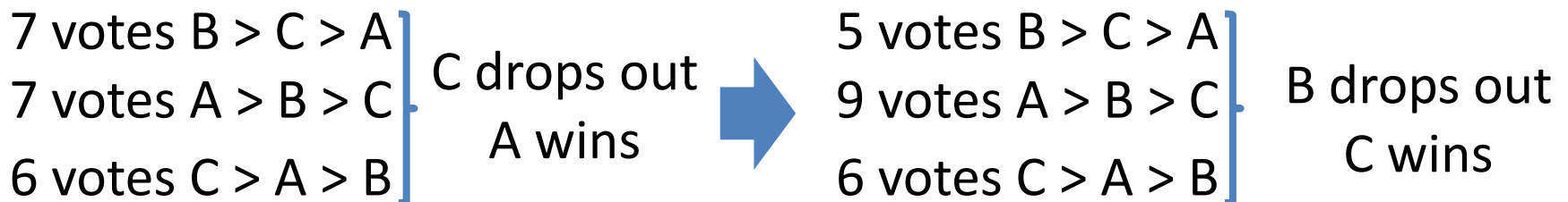
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- **Monotonicity**: if **c** wins, and some voter moves **c** higher in her ranking, without changing the order of other candidates, then **c** still wins

+: Plurality, Copeland, Maximin, Borda, Schulze

-: Plurality with Runoff, STV

Example (STV): A moves to the top
in the first 2 votes



Criteria for Voting Rules: Rankings

- **Pareto efficiency**: if all voters rank **a** above **b**, in the final ranking **a** should appear above **b**
- **Monotonicity**: if some voter moves **c** up in their ranking, in the overall ranking **c** goes up
- **Independence of irrelevant alternatives (IIA)**: if **a** is ranked above **b** in the current election, and we permute the candidates in each vote without changing the relative order of **a** and **b**, then **a** should be ranked above **b** in the resulting election

Dictatorship

- There is a very simple rule that produces a ranking of alternatives and satisfies **all** of our criteria: **dictatorship**
- This rule simply **copies** the ranking of some fixed voter
- Satisfies monotonicity, Pareto-optimality, IIA
- Truthful voting is a dominant strategy
- Is usually **not** an **acceptable** voting rule for obvious reasons

Arrow's Theorem [1951]

- Suppose there are at least 3 candidates
- Then any voting rule that produces a ranking of all candidates and is simultaneously:
 - Pareto efficient and
 - independent of irrelevant alternatives

is a dictatorship

“There is no perfect voting rule”

Gibbard-Satterthwaite Theorem

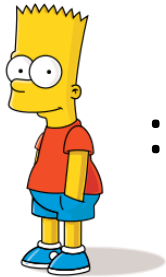
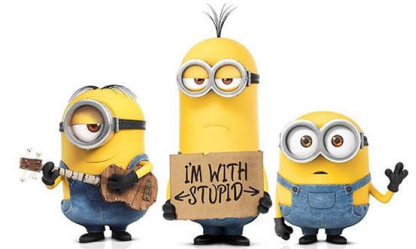
- Suppose there are at least 3 candidates. Then for any voting rule that is not a dictatorship there exists a list of voters' preferences such that some voter v has an **incentive to vote non-truthfully**
 - v can change his vote so that the winner is a candidate that v ranks higher than the original winner
- No voting rule is resistant to manipulative behavior!

Voting as Preference Aggregation

- What movie should the Simpson family watch?



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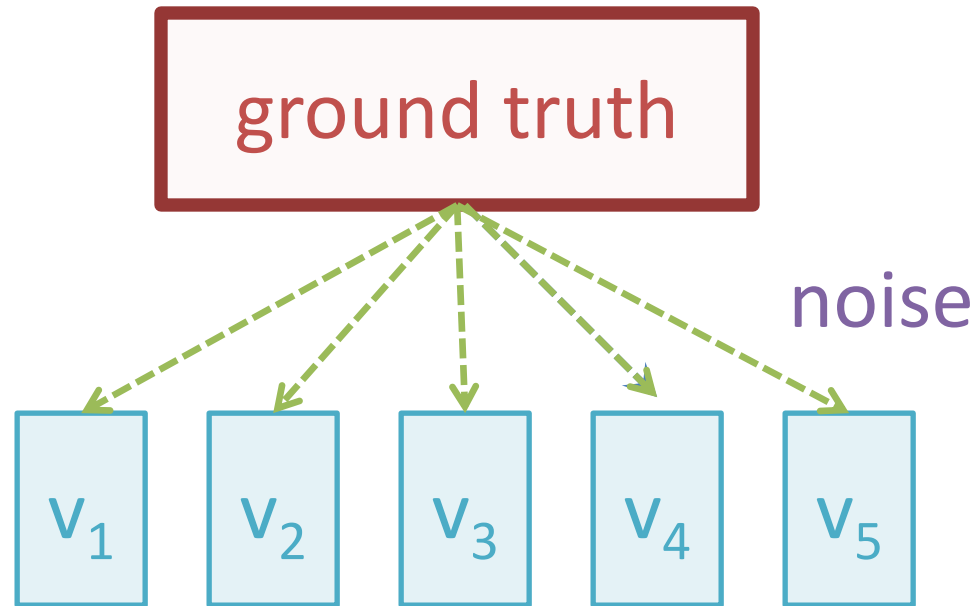


Voting as a Way to Uncover Truth

- Which cleaning company should we hire?
 - Adam: $A > B > C$
 - Ben: $C > B > A$
 - Charlie: $B > C > A$
- Which PhD applicant should we accept?
 - Paul: $X > Y > Z$
 - Elias: $Y > X > Z$
 - Edith: $Z > Y > X$
- Medieval church elections
- Crowdsourcing



Voting as Maximum Likelihood Estimation



Which **true state** of the world is most likely to **generate** the observed **votes**?

History

- Marquis de Condorcet (1785), Essai sur l'application de l'analyse a la probabilité des décisions rendues a la pluralité des voix
- ...
- H. Peyton Young (1988), Condorcet's theory of voting,
Am. Pol. Sci. Review
- ...
- Elkind, Shah (2014), Choosing the most probable without eliminating the irrational: voting on intransitive domains, *UAI'14*

Condorcet-Young-Mallows Model

- m alternatives, n voters: $V = (v_1, \dots, v_n)$
- Ground truth = **ranking** of the alternatives
- Votes = **rankings** of the alternatives
- Noise:
 - fix $\frac{1}{2} < p < 1$
 - ground truth: u
 - each vote is an outcome of the following process:
 - pick a fresh pair of alternatives a, b ; assume $a >_u b$
 - rank them as $a > b$ w.p. p and as $b > a$ w.p. $1-p$
 - if this produces a cycle, **restart**

Most Likely Ranking [Young'88]

- Kemeny distance: $d(u, v) = |\{(a, b): a >_u b, b >_v a\}|$
- $\phi = p/(1-p)$
- $\Pr[v] \sim p^{m(m-1)/2 - d(u, v)} (1-p)^{d(u, v)}$
- $\Pr[V] = \Pr[v_1] \times \dots \times \Pr[v_n] \sim \phi^{-\sum_i d(u, v_i)}$
- $\Pr[V] \sim \phi^{-d(u, V)}$
- Most likely ranking: one that **minimizes** the total **distance** to votes
 - Kemeny's rule

Rankings vs. Winners

- Finding the most likely **ranking**: Kemeny's rule
- Finding the most likely **winner**?
- $s_R(a)$: **cumulative** likelihood of rankings where a is ranked first
- $s_R(a) = \sum_{u: \text{top}(u)=a} \phi^{-d(u, V)}$
- Which a maximizes $s_R(a)$?

Most Likely Winner [Y'88, PRS'12]

- $s_R(a) = \sum_{u: \text{top}(u)=a} \phi^{-d(u, V)}$
- $s_R(a)$: sum of $(m-1)!$ **non-positive** powers of ϕ
- $p \rightarrow 1$, $\phi = p/(1-p) \rightarrow \infty$ (**low** noise):
 - the set of most likely winners is
a **subset** of **Kemeny** winners
- $p \rightarrow 1/2$, $\phi = p/(1-p) \rightarrow 1$ (**high** noise):
 - the set of most likely winners is
a **subset** of **Borda** winners

Part 3: Domain Restrictions

Difficulties

- Problem:
with no assumption on preference structure
 - majority cycles may occur
 - all voting rules are manipulable
 - computing outcomes of some voting rules is NP-hard
- **Solution:** restrict the preference domain

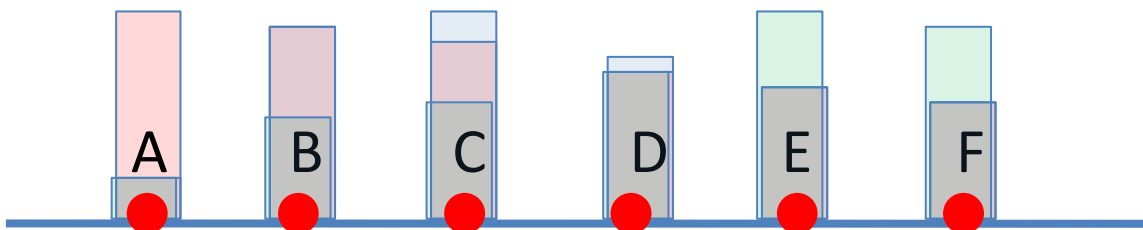
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Single-Peaked Preferences

- Definition: a vote v is **single-peaked (SP)** wrt an ordering $<$ of candidates (axis) if it holds that:
 - if $\text{top}(v) < D < E$, v prefers D to E
 - if $A < B < \text{top}(v)$, v prefers B to A
- Example:
 - voter 1: $C > B > D > E > F > A$
 - voter 2: $A > B > C > D > E > F$
 - voter 3: $E > F > D > C > B > A$



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Example: Temperature

- Perfect water temperature?

+16

+20

+23

+25

+27

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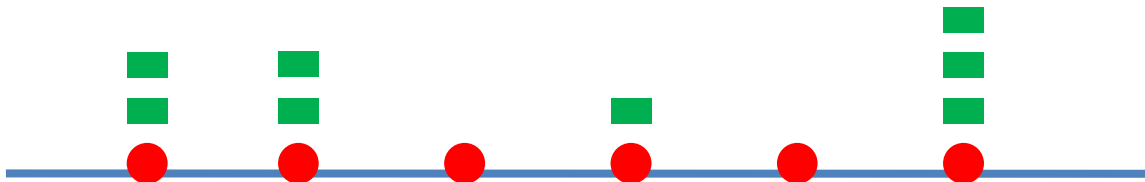


SP Preferences: Transitivity

- Theorem: in **single-peaked** elections with an odd number of voters the **majority** relation is **transitive**
 - if more than $n/2$ voters prefer **a** to **b** and more than $n/2$ voters prefer **b** to **c** then more than $n/2$ voters prefer **a** to **c**
- Lemma: each **single-peaked** election with an odd number of voters has a **Condorcet winner (CW)**
- Proof of the theorem (assuming the lemma):
 - by the lemma, there is a CW, say **a**
 - **delete** **a** from all votes; the profile remains SP
 - use **induction**

SP Preferences: Condorcet Winners

- Lemma: in **single-peaked** elections with an odd number of voters there exists a **Condorcet winner (CW)**
 - ask each voter v to vote for one candidate
 - let $C(v)$ denote the vote of voter v
 - order voters by $C(v)$, breaking ties arbitrarily
 - if we have $n = 2k+1$ voters, $\text{top}(v_{k+1})$ is a CW
 - even n : if we have $n = 2k$ voters, all candidates between $\text{top}(v_k)$ and $\text{top}(v_{k+1})$ are weak CWs



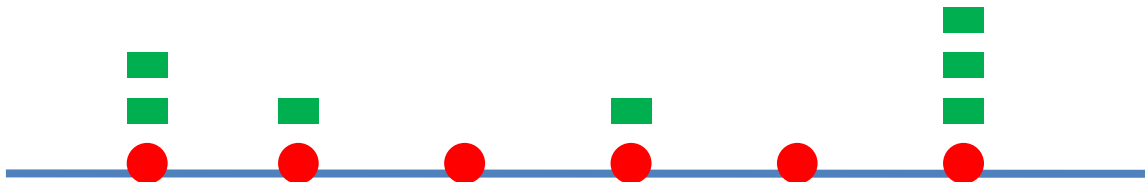
Transitivity: Consequences

- Theorem: in a **single-peaked** election with an odd number of voters the winning ranking under the Kemeny rule can be computed in **polynomial time**
 - Lemma: if the majority relation is transitive, the Kemeny ranking coincides with the **majority relation**.

SP Preferences:

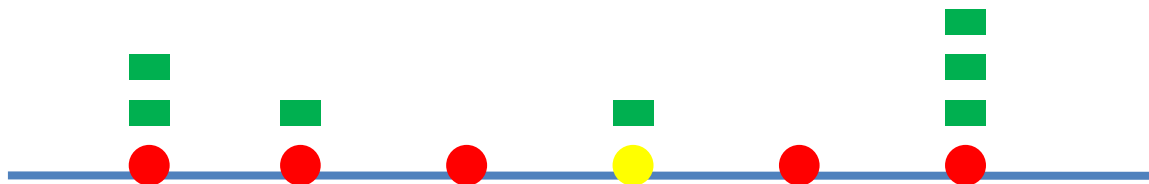
Circumventing Gibbard-Satterthwaite

- Suppose we have $n = 2k+1$ voters
- Median voter rule:
 - consider an election that is single-peaked wrt $<$
 - ask each voter v to vote for one candidate
 - let $C(v)$ denote the vote of voter v
 - order voters by $C(v)$, breaking ties arbitrarily
 - output $C^* = C(v_{k+1})$



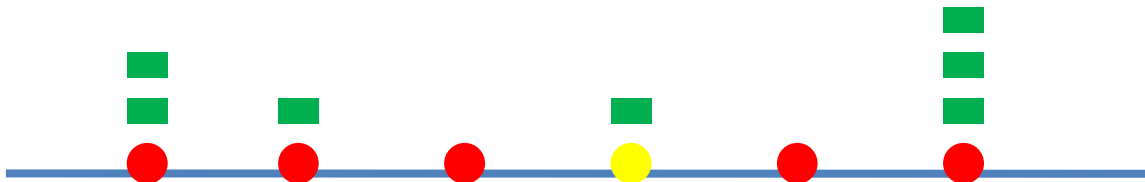
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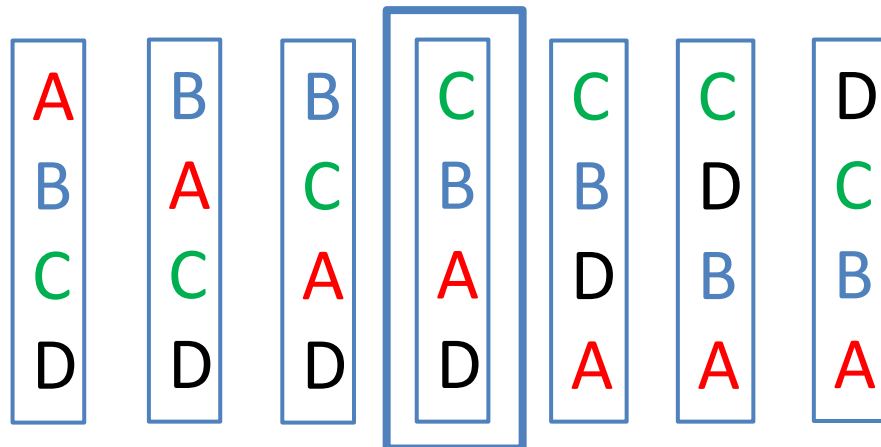
Single-Crossing Preferences

Definition: a profile is **single-crossing (SC)** wrt an ordering of voters (v_1, \dots, v_n) if for each pair of candidates **A, B** there exists an $i \in \{0, \dots, n\}$ such that voters v_1, \dots, v_i prefer **A** to **B**, and voters v_{i+1}, \dots, v_n prefer **B** to **A**

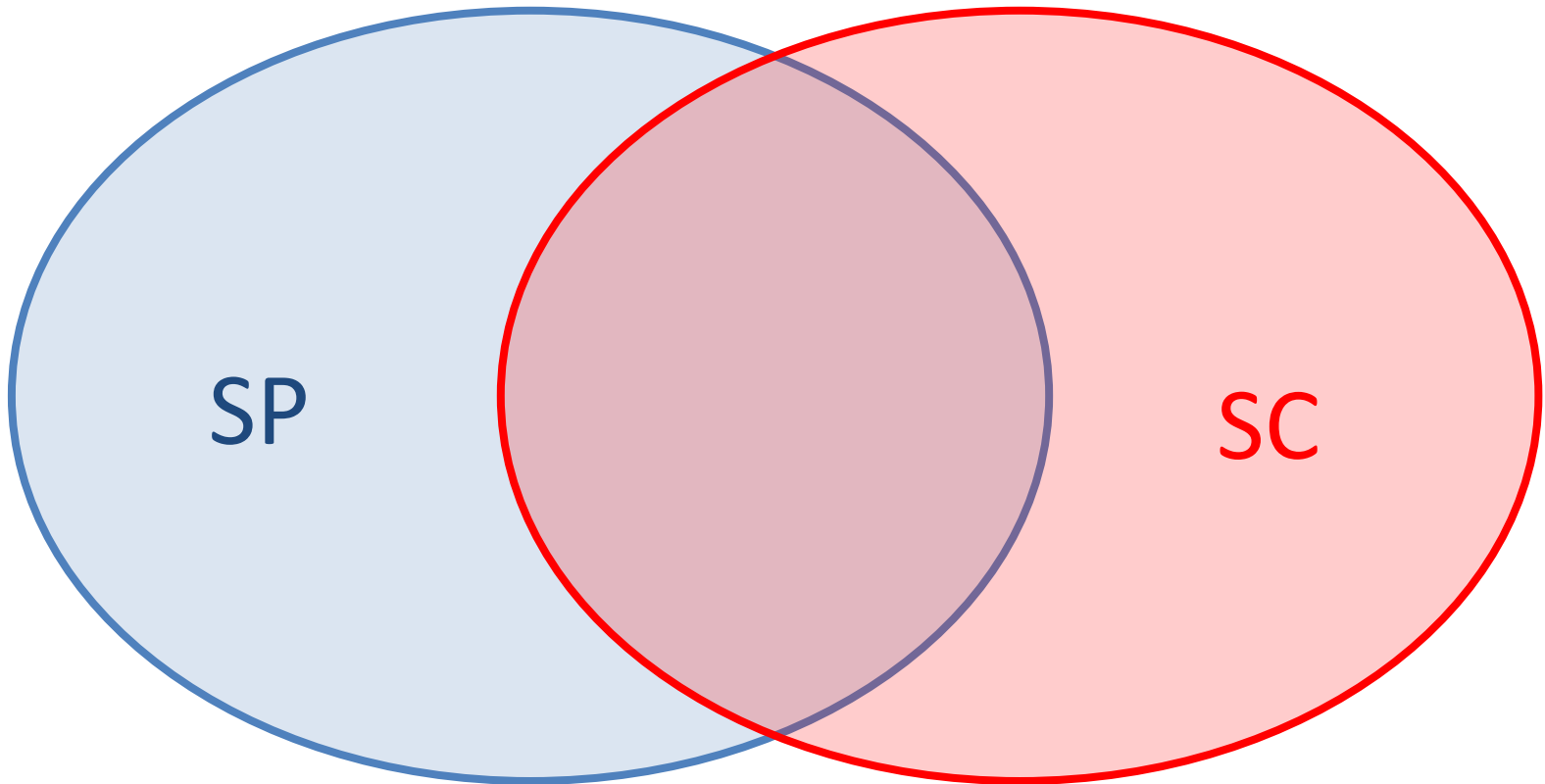
A	B	B	C	C	C	D
B	A	C	B	B	D	C
C	C	A	A	D	B	B
D	D	D	D	A	A	A

SC Preferences: Majority is Transitive

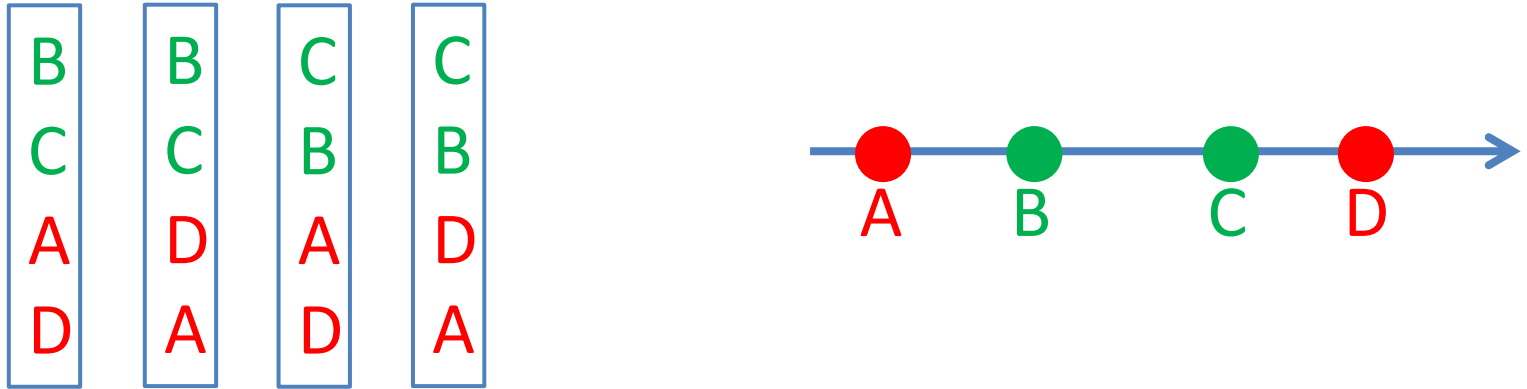
- Claim: in single-crossing elections, the majority relation is (weakly) transitive
 - we will prove the claim for $n=2k+1$ voters
 - consider the ranking of voter v_{k+1}
 - if v_{k+1} prefers B to A, so do $\geq k$ other voters
- Claim: the SC order of voters is essentially unique



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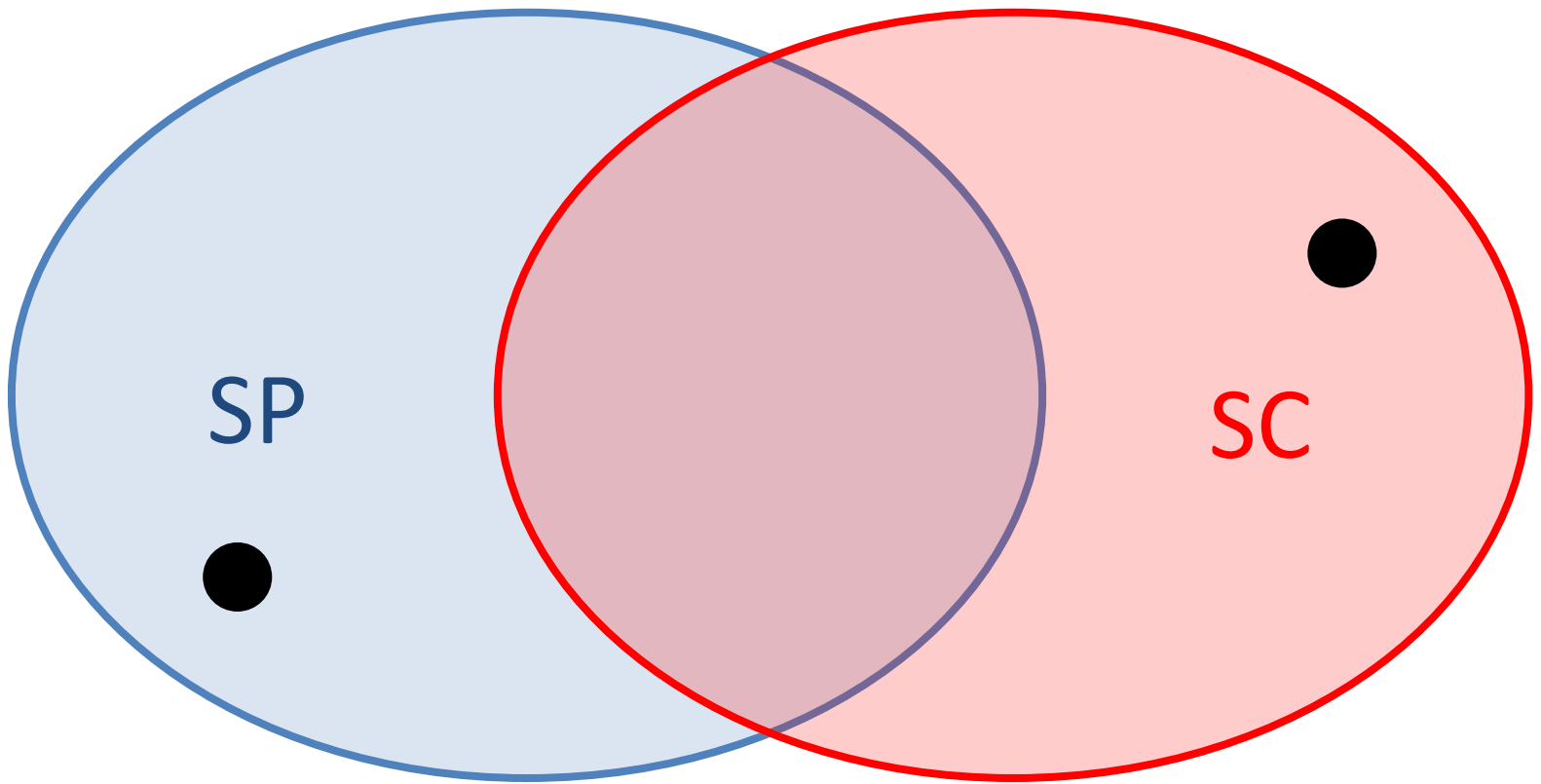
- v_1 and v_2 have to be adjacent (because of B, C)
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- v_1 and v_3 have to be adjacent (because of A, D)
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a contradiction

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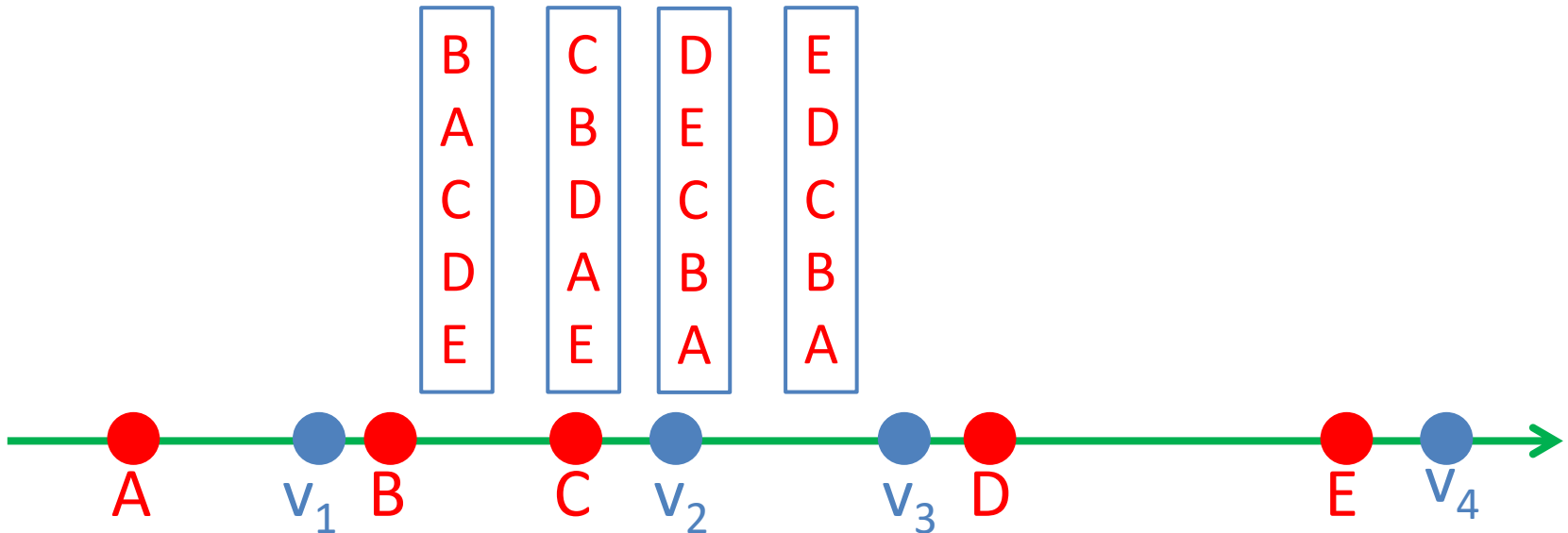
1	n	n		n	n
2	1	n-1		n-1	n-1
...	2	1		n-2	n-2
...	...	2	
...
n-2
n-1	n-2	...		1	2
n	n-1	n-2		2	1

Each candidate is ranked last **exactly once**



1D-Euclidean Preferences

- Both voters and candidates are points in \mathbb{R}
- v prefers A to B if $|v - A| < |v - B|$
- Observation: 1D-Euclidean preferences are
 - single-peaked (wrt ordering of candidates on the line)
 - single-crossing (wrt ordering of voters on the line)



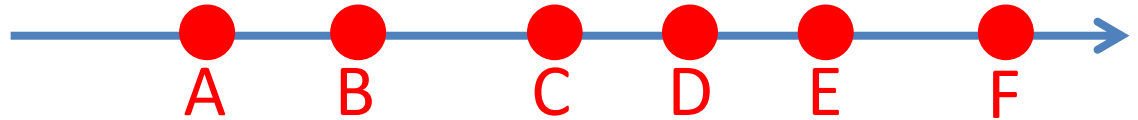
1-Euc = SP \cap SC?

- Observation: There exists a preference profile that is **SP** and **SC**, but not 1-Euclidean

v_1 : B C D E A F

v_2 : D E C B A F

v_3 : D E F C B A



- **SC** wrt $v_1 < v_2 < v_3$, **SP** wrt $A < B < C < D < E < F$
- Not 1-Euclidean:
 - $(x(A) + x(E))/2 < x(v_1) < (x(B) + x(C))/2$
 - $(x(C) + x(D))/2 < x(v_2) < (x(A) + x(F))/2$
 - $(x(B) + x(F))/2 < x(v_3) < (x(D) + x(E))/2$

