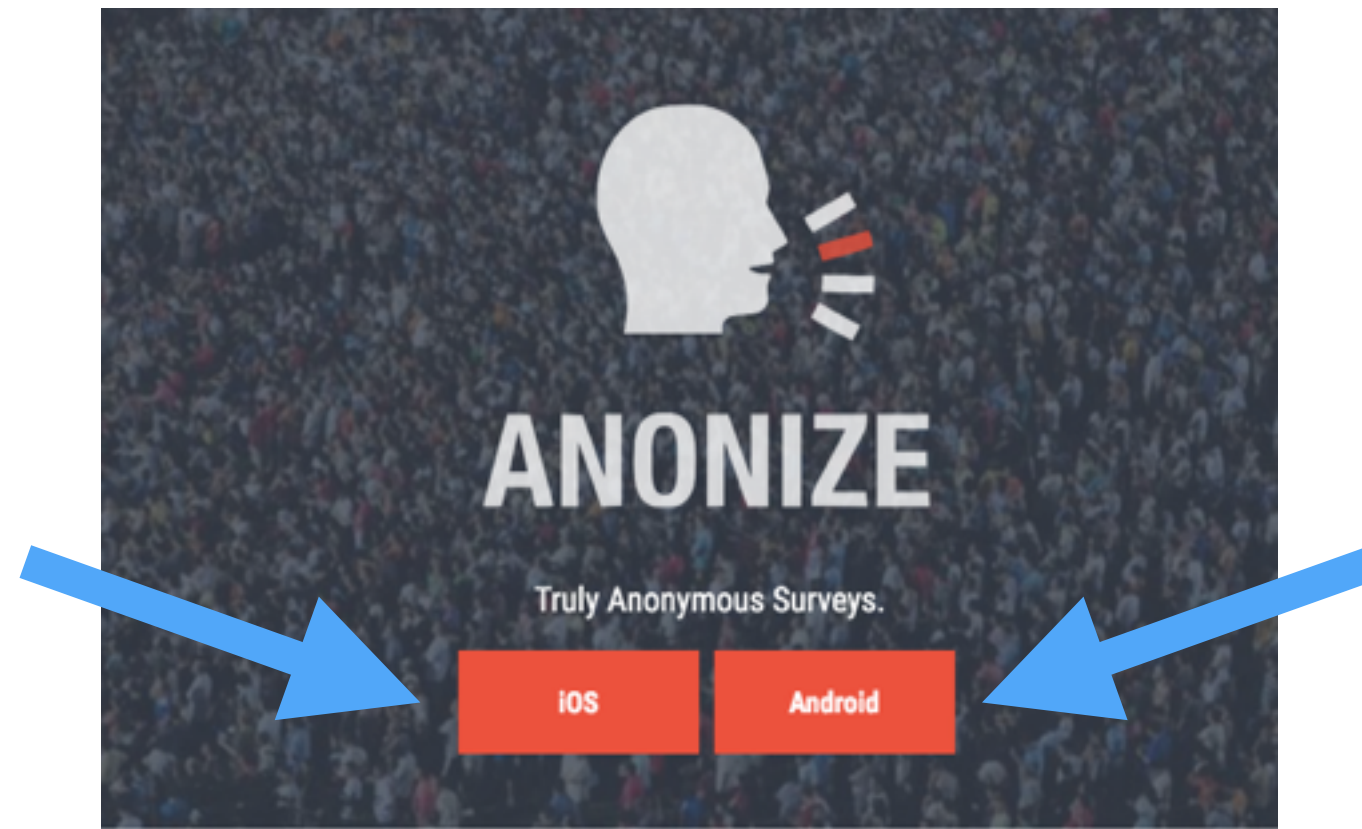


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Open app, register using your UVA id

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Love in the  
Time of  
Tindera





We have a  
group of  
suitors and  
reviewers



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2>3>1



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Each has preferences over the other group



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We seek a  
**stable**  
**matching**  
between  
the two



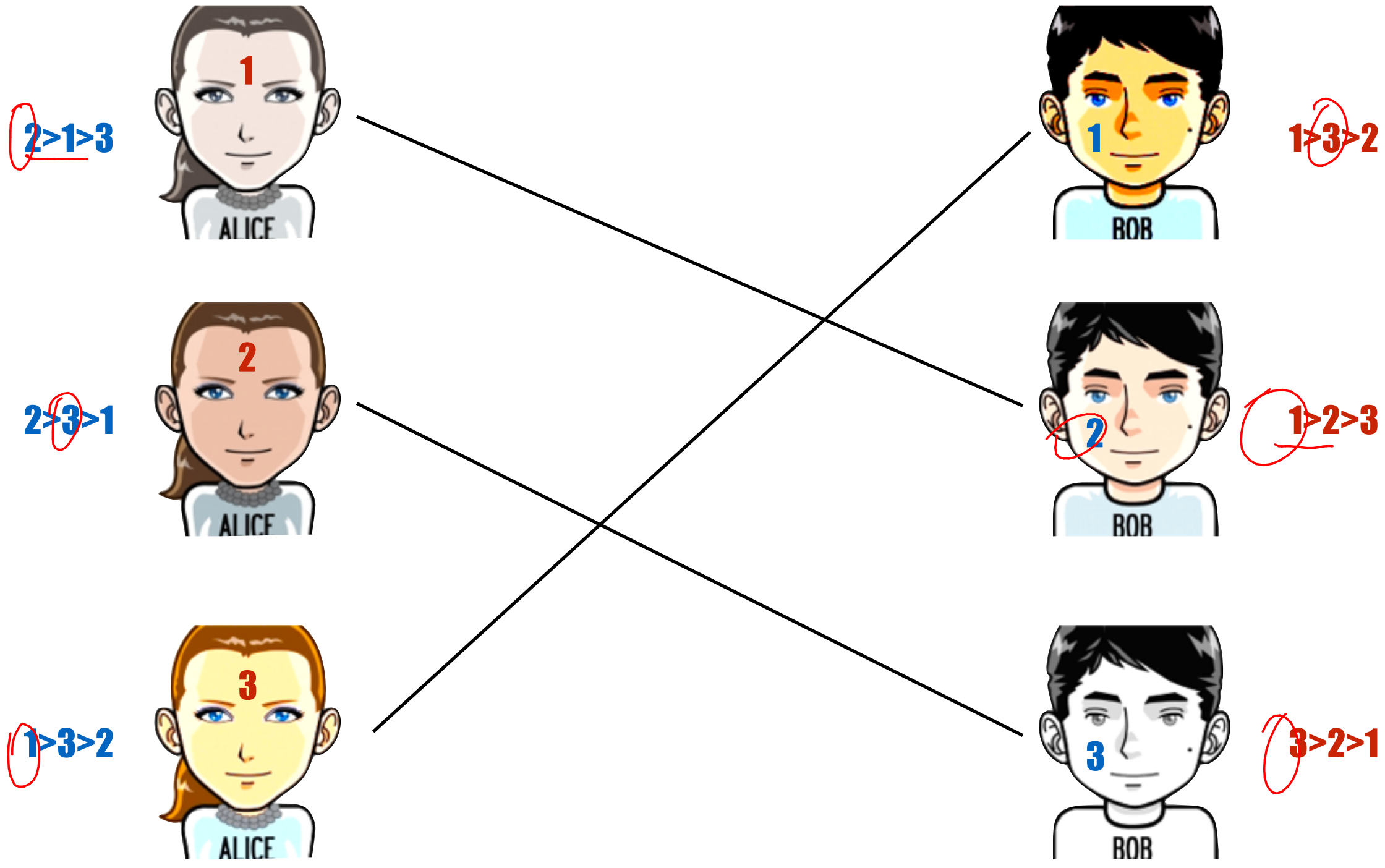
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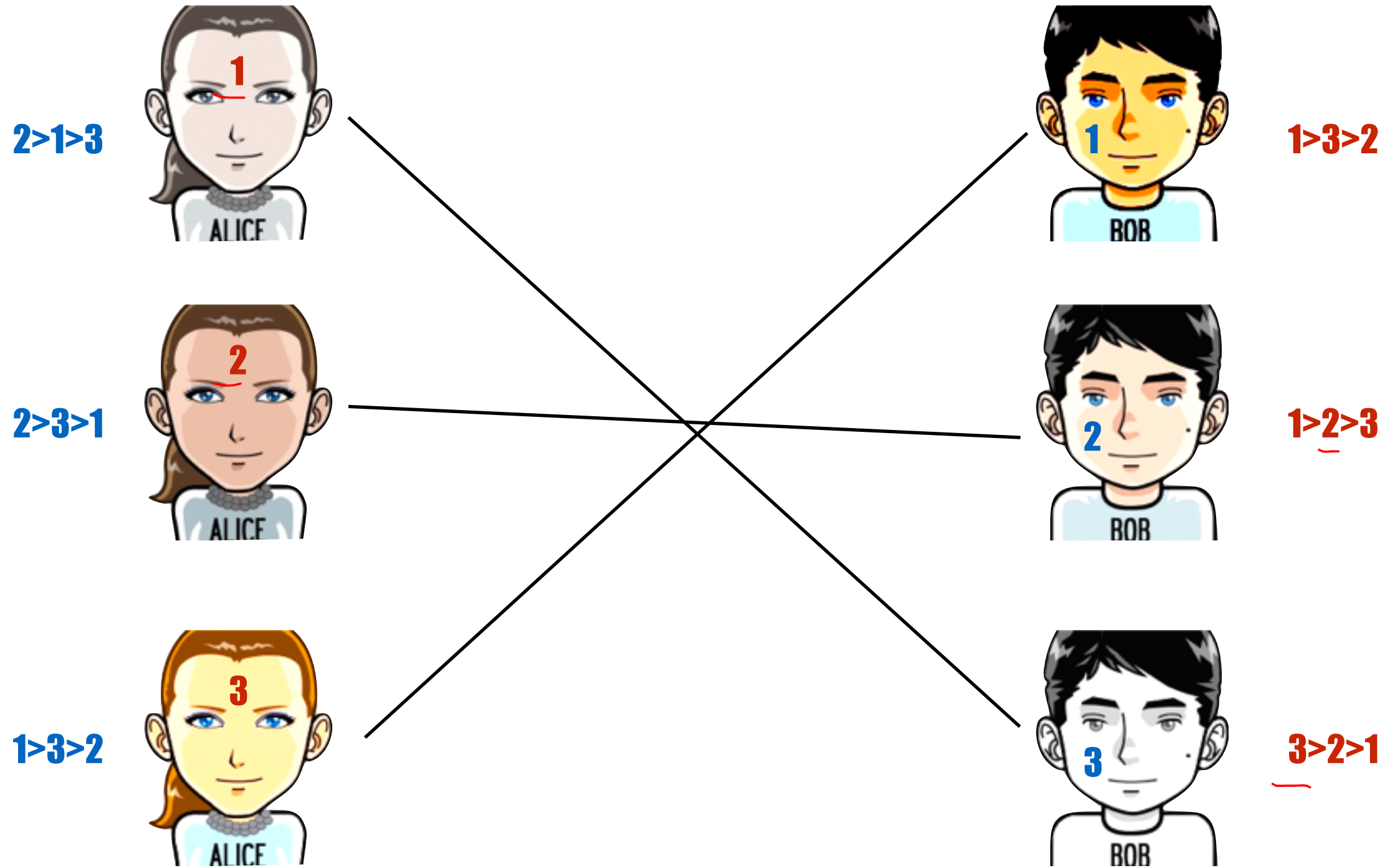


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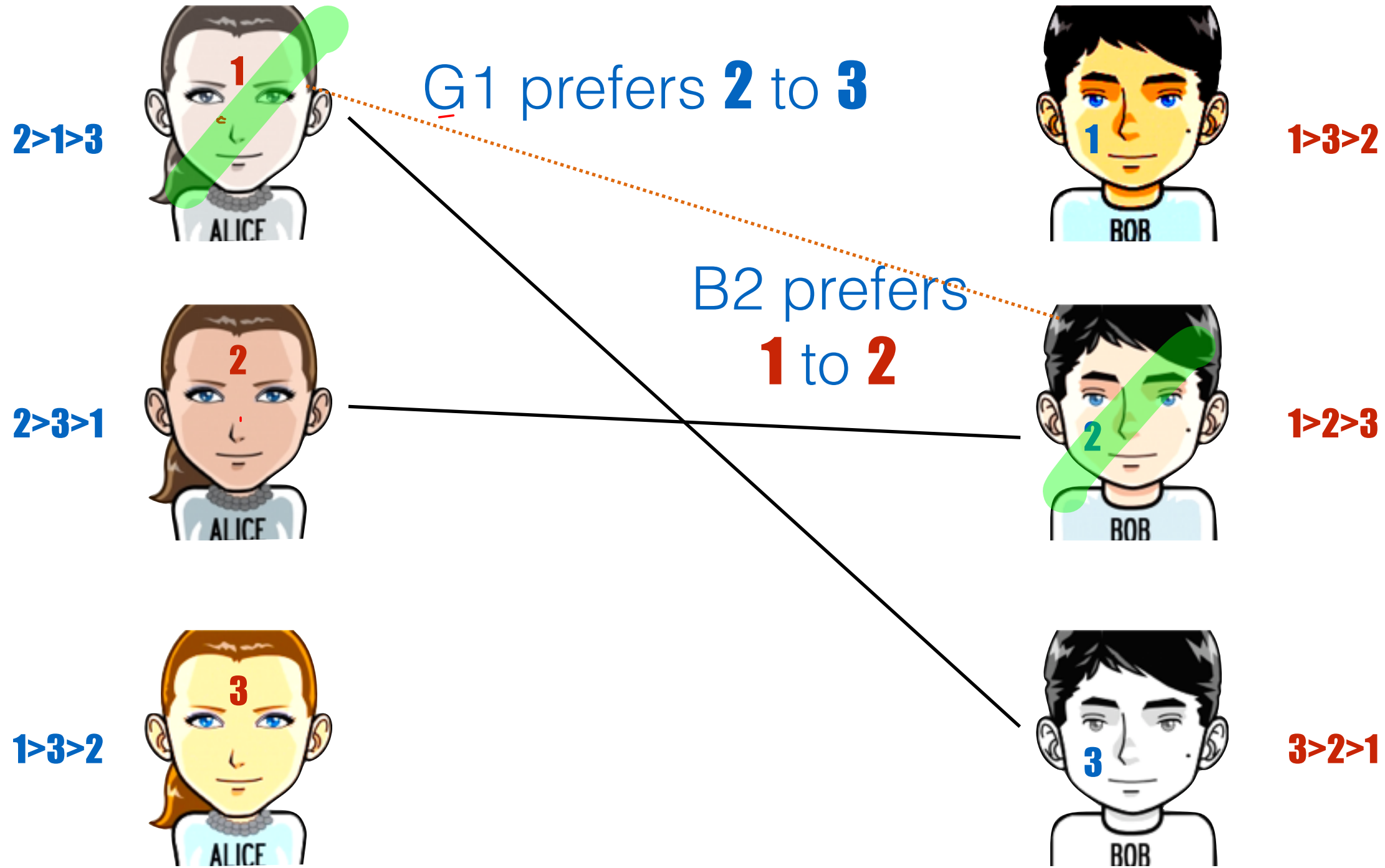
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Unstable Matching





Unstable Matching

# Stable Matching



Stable

matching has

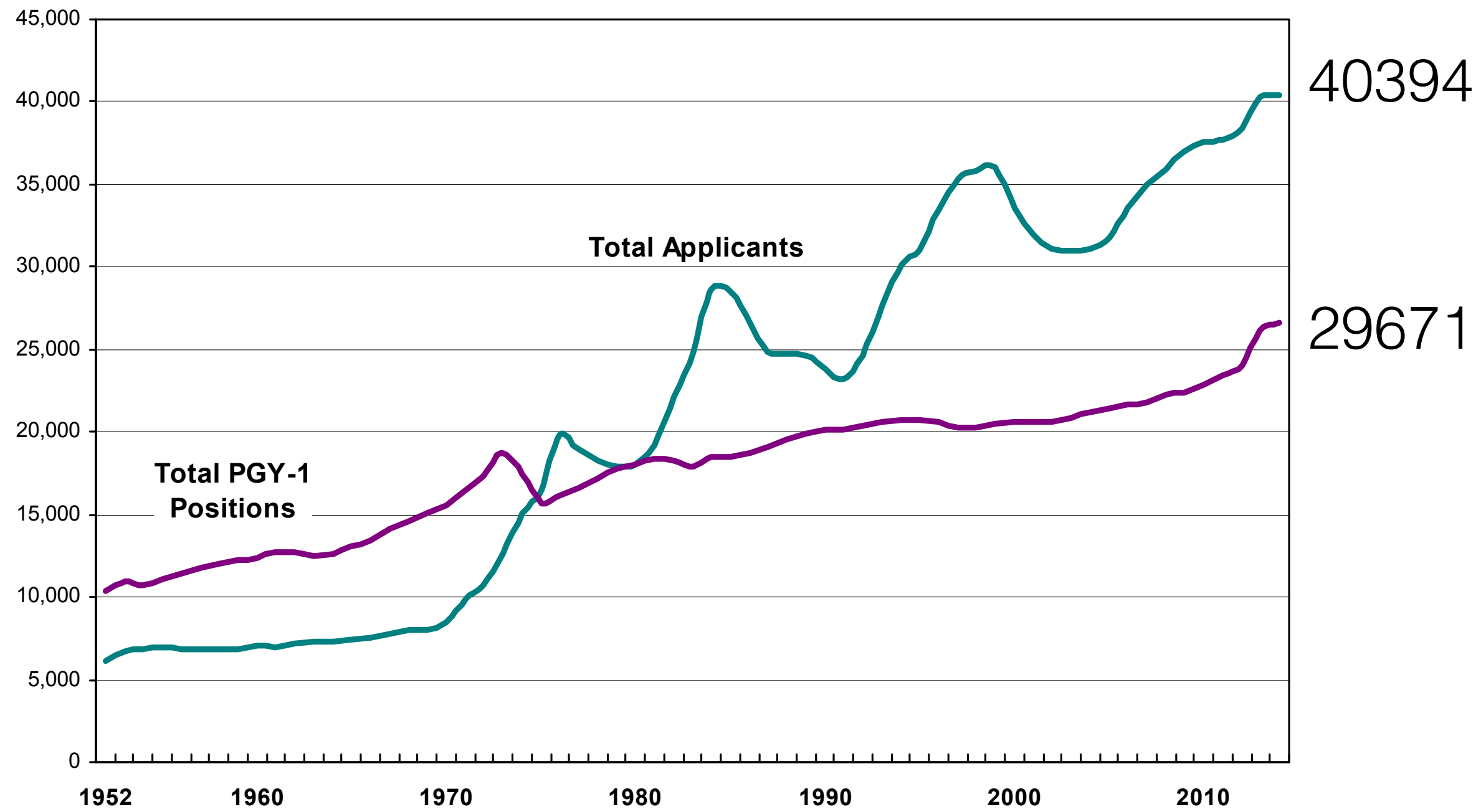
many practical

applications

# THE MATCH<sup>SM</sup>

NATIONAL RESIDENT MATCHING PROGRAM<sup>®</sup>

**Figure 1** Applicants and 1st Year Positions in The Match, 1952 - 2014





Applicant Type	Matched		
	2013 Graduates	Prior Year Graduates <sup>1</sup>	Total
CMG	2571	74	2645
IMG	146	353	499
USMG	23	2	25
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2740</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>3169</b>



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*University of Virginia*  
*Chi Omega Bid Day 2012*

# Definition: matchings

$M = \{ m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots, m_n \}$  suitors

$W = \{ w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_n \}$  reviewers

$S = \{ (m_i, w_j)_k \}_k$  a set of pairs, each pair is including exactly one element from  $M$  and 1 element from  $W$

\* each  $m_i \in M$  appears in at most 1 pair

\* each  $w_j \in W$  " " " " " "



# Definition: matchings

$$M = \{m_1, \dots, m_n\}$$

$$W = \{w_1, \dots, w_n\}$$

$$S = \{(m_{i_1}, w_{j_1}), \dots, (m_{i_k}, w_{i_k})\}$$

Each  $m_i$  ( $w_i$ ) appears only <sup>once</sup> in a pairing.

→ A matching is perfect if every  $m_i$  appears.

$m_i \in M$

$$|S| = n$$

M



W



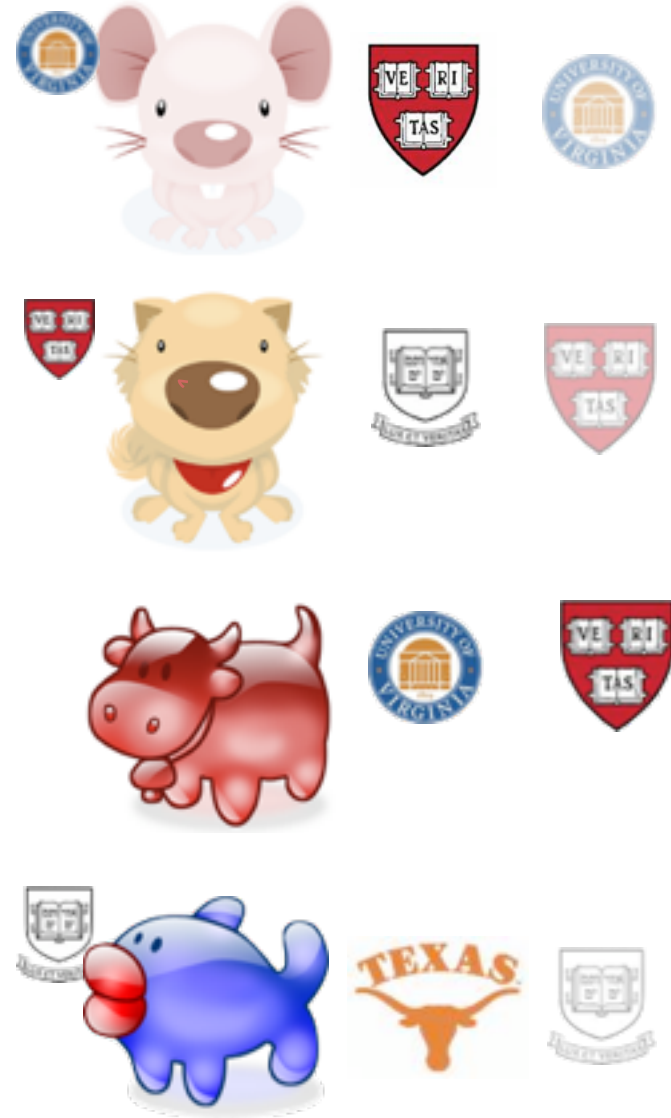
# Definition: preferences

$$M = \{m_1, \dots, m_n\}$$

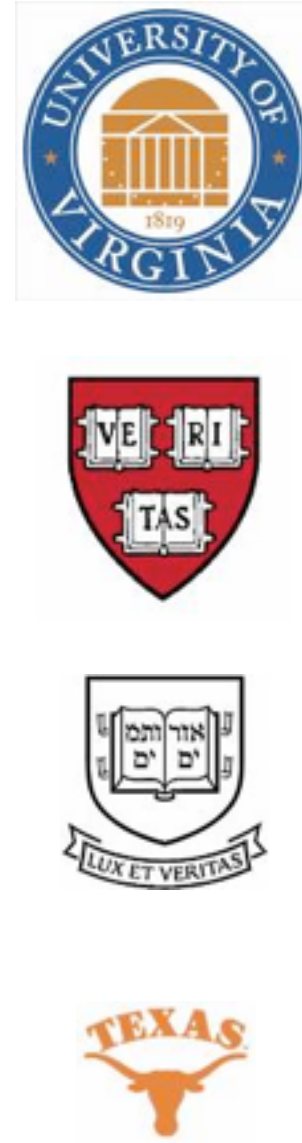
Each element in  $M$  has preferences over  $W$ .

$$w_i \prec_{m_i} w_j \prec_{m_i} w_1 \prec_{m_i} w_2 \dots \prec_{m_i} w_n$$

M



W

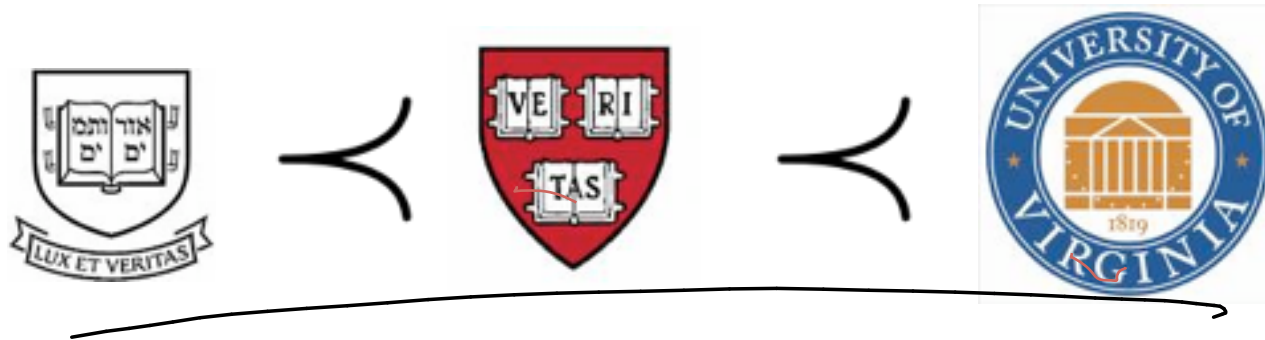


# Example: preferences

$$M = \{m_1, \dots, m_n\}$$

$m_i$  has a preference relation  $\prec_{m_i}$   
on the set  $W$

$$w_1 \prec_{m_i} w_4 \prec_{m_i} w_2 \prec_{m_i} w_8 \dots w_n$$



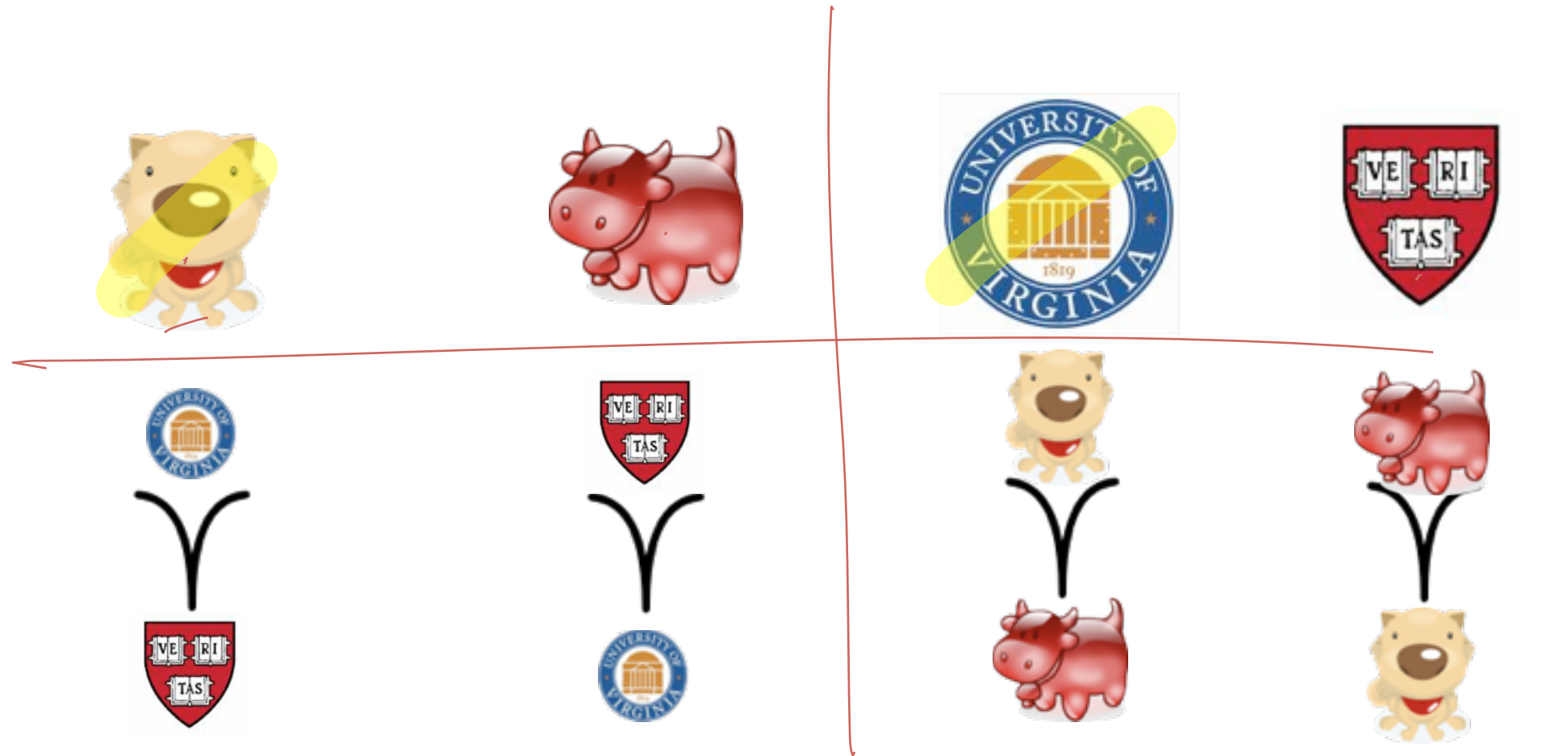
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(D, V)

(C, H)

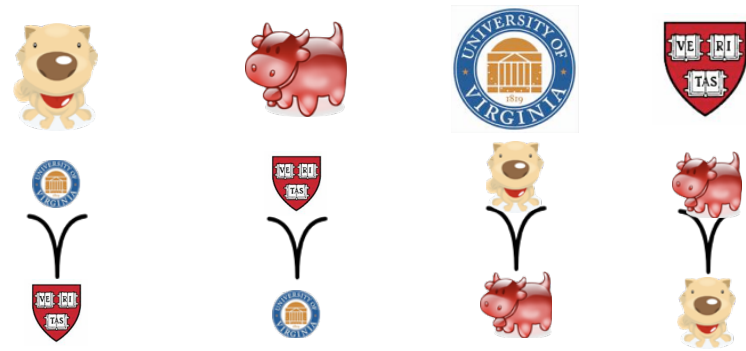


$$S = \left\{ \left( \text{dog}, \text{UT} \right), \left( \text{cow}, \text{UVa} \right) \right\}$$

consider this  
matching

UNSTABLE MATCH

# Def: instability



$$S = \left\{ \left( \overset{w'}{\text{Dog}}, \text{University} \right), \left( \overset{m'}{\text{Cow}}, \text{University} \right) \right\}$$

INSTABILITY:  $\exists$  an unmatched pair  $(m^*, w^*) \notin S$  such that

$(m^*, w') \in S$   $(m', w^*) \in S$ , but

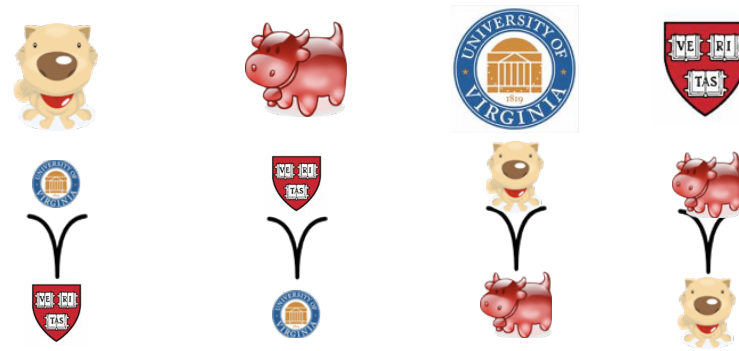
$w^* \rightarrow w'$   
 $m^*$

AND

$m^* \rightarrow m'$   
 $w^*$



# Def: instability



$$S = \left\{ \left( \overset{w'}{\text{dog}}, \text{Veritas} \right), \left( \overset{m'}{\text{cow}}, \text{University of Virginia} \right) \right\}$$

$$\left( \text{dog}, \text{University of Virginia} \right) \quad (m^*, w^*) \notin S$$

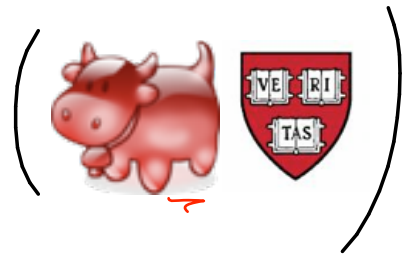
$$w' \prec_{m^*} w^*$$

$$m' \prec_{w^*} m^*$$

**M** = { (s<sub>1</sub>,r<sub>1</sub>), (s<sub>2</sub>,r<sub>2</sub>), ... (s<sub>n</sub>,r<sub>n</sub>) }  
is a stable matching if

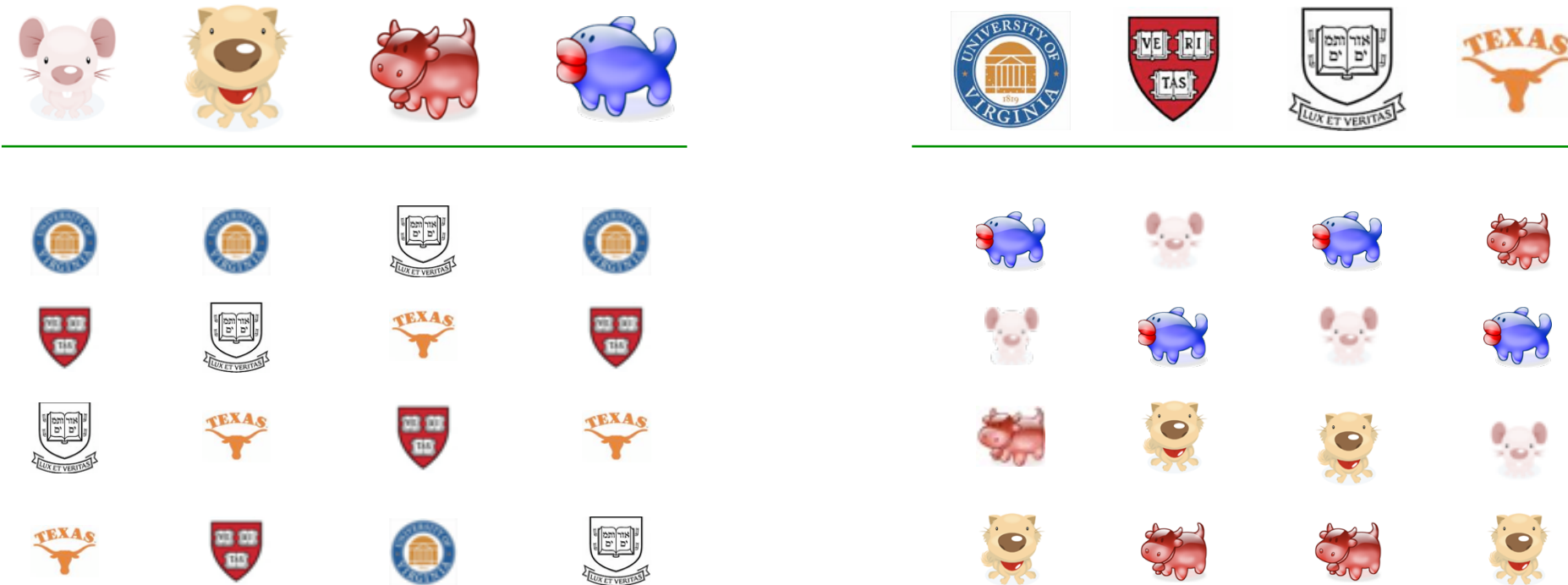
No unmatched pair (s\*,r\*) prefer each other to their partners in M

# Example 2



STABLE, even though  
some players are match  
with their least favorite  
partners.

# Prove: for every input



there exists a stable matching.

# proposal algorithm

INITIALIZE ALL players to be unmatched

While  $\exists$  an unmatched  $m \in M$

Let  $w$  be the highest preferred element in  $W$  that  $m$  has not yet asked.

If  $w$  is unmatched,  $MAKEPAIR(m, w)$

Else if  $(m', w)$  is a pair AND  $m \succ_w m'$

$BREAK(m', w)$

















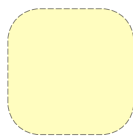
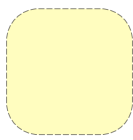
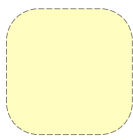
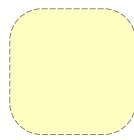
$MAKE(m, w)$

STABLEMATCH( $M, W, \prec_m, \prec_w$ )

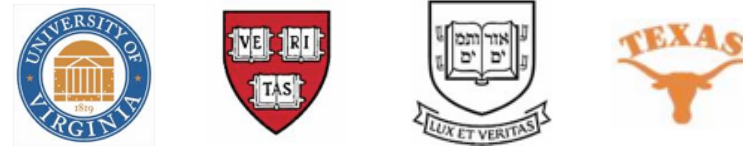
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1  Initialize all  $m, w$  to be FREE
2  while  $\exists$ FREE( $m$ ) and hasn't proposed to all  $W$ 
3      do Pick such an  $m$ 
4          Let  $w \in W$  be highest-ranked to whom  $m$  has not yet proposed
5          if FREE( $w$ )
6              then Make a new pair  $(m, w)$ 
7          elseif  $(m', w)$  is paired and  $m' \prec_w m$ 
8              do Break pair  $(m', w)$  and make  $m'$  free
9                  Make pair  $(m, w)$ 
10 return Set of pairs
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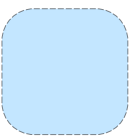
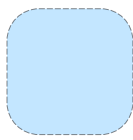
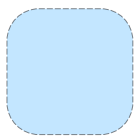
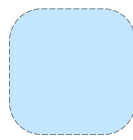
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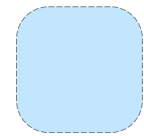
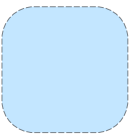
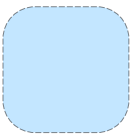
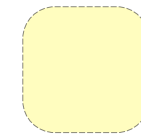
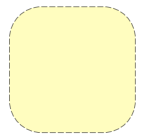
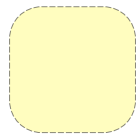
			
			
			
			
			

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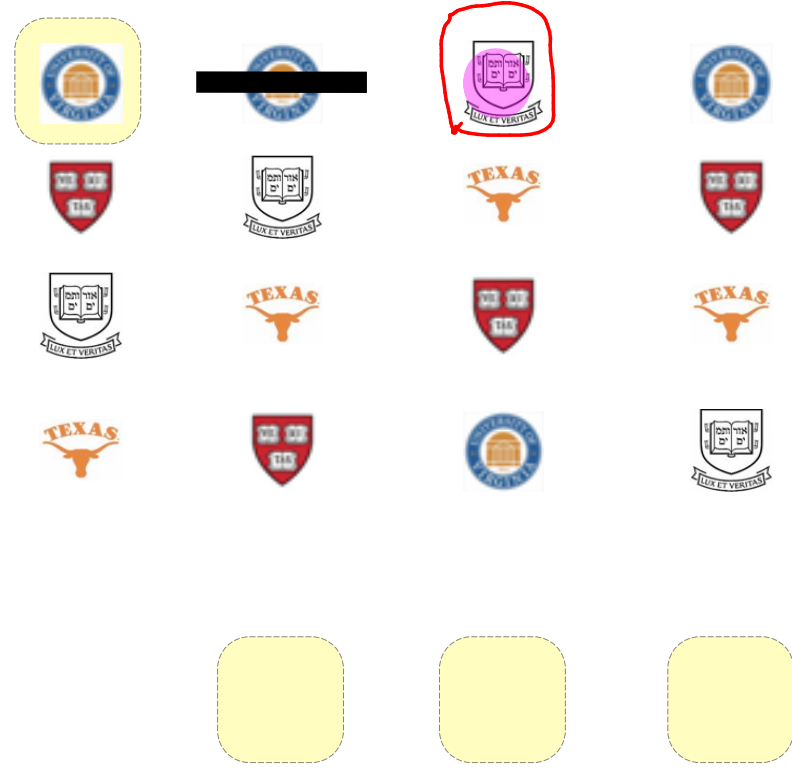
			
			
			
			
			

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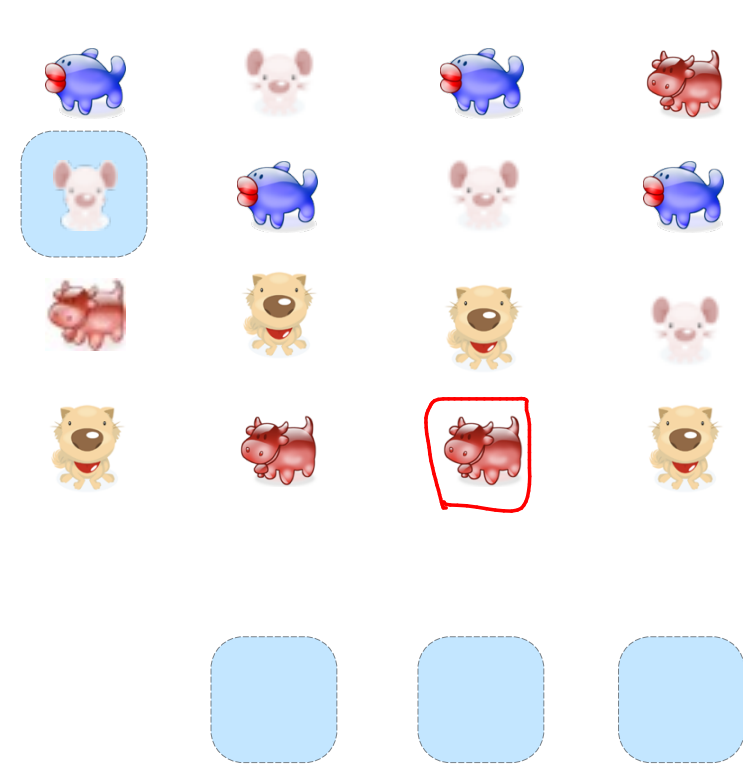
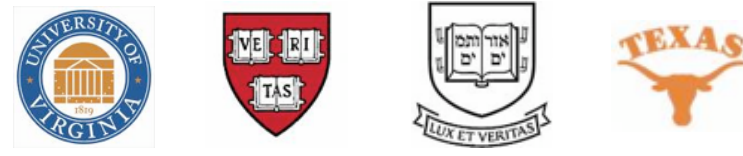




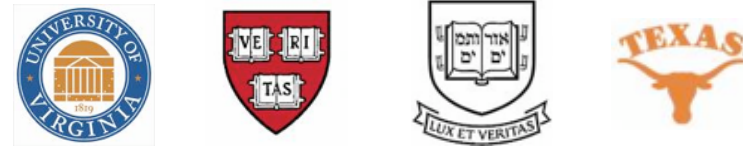
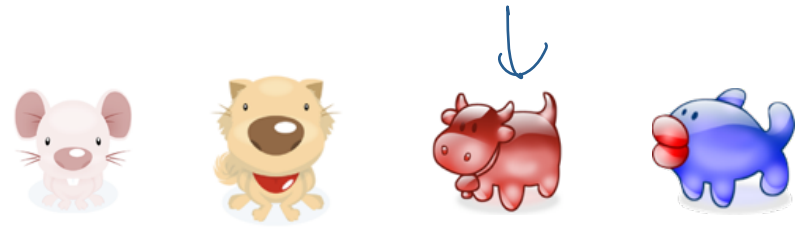
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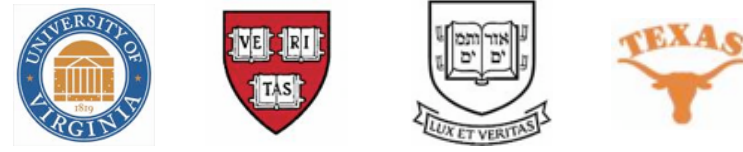
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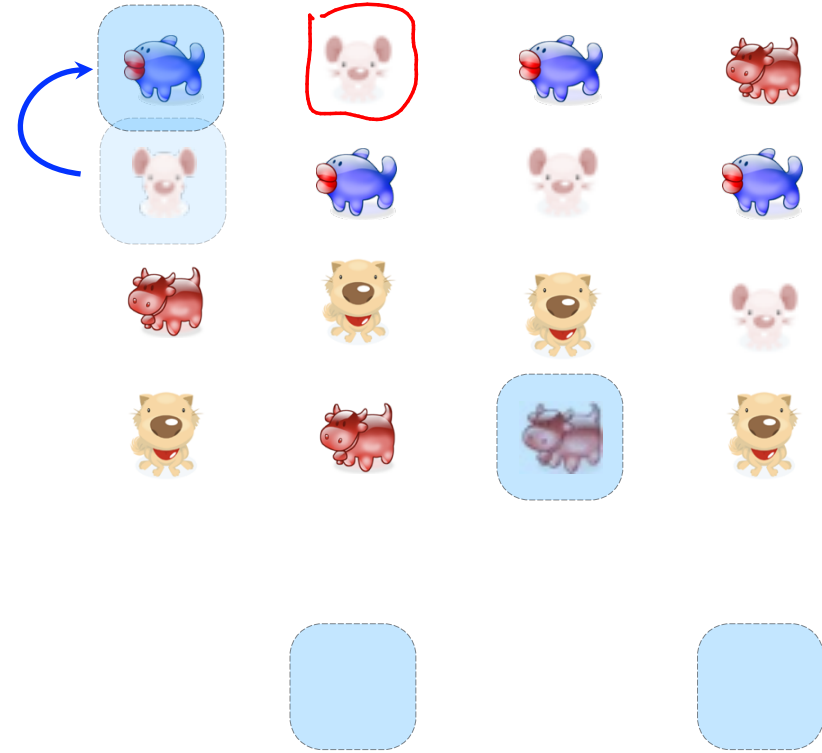
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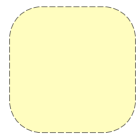
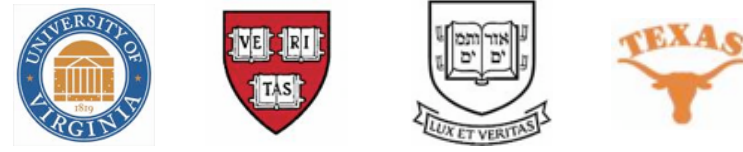
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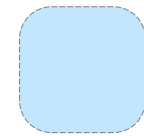
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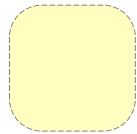
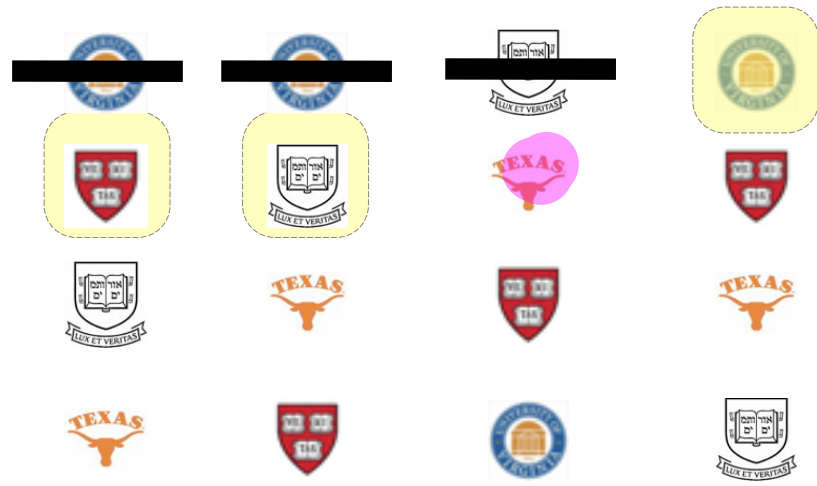
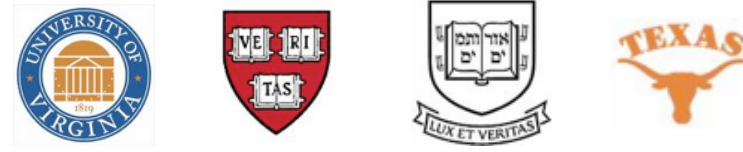
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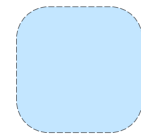
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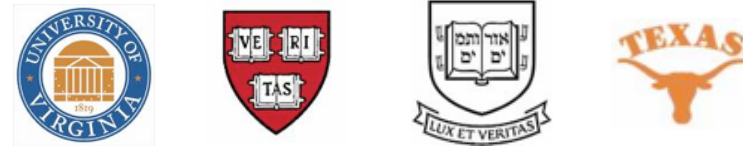
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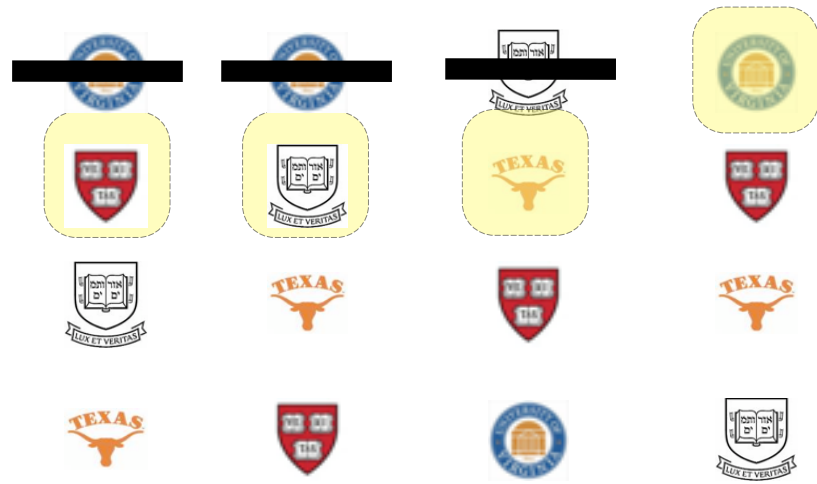
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Proposal algorithm ends

# proposal algorithm ends

$$O(n^2) \text{ steps}$$

each  $m$  proposes at most once to each  $w$ .

each  $m$  proposes at most  $n$  times.

size of  $M$  is  $n$ .

$$\begin{matrix} n \downarrow \\ (n^2 - n \text{ Steps}) \end{matrix}$$

$$(10^5) \sim \underline{\underline{10^{10}}}$$



# output is a matching

① EACH  $w$  is unmatched at the time it is matched  
in lines IF + ELSE.

② EACH  $m$  is unmatched @ time of proposal.

# output is perfect

If there is an unmatched  $m \in M$ , then  
there is also an unmatched  $w$ .

$\Rightarrow$  output has size  $n$ .

# output is perfect

if  $\exists m$  who is free, then

$\exists w$  who has not been  
asked

prove output is stable

Suppose for the sake of reaching a contradiction that output has an instability.

That means that there exists  $(m^*, w^*) \notin S$  and  $(m^*, w'), (m', w^*) \in S$  such that  $m' \underset{w^*}{\prec} m^* \underset{w'}{\succ} m'$  and  $w' \underset{m^*}{\prec} w^*$

→ Consider the moment when  $(m^*, w')$  was made into a match.

Since  $w' \underset{m^*}{\prec} w^*$ , then  $m^*$  must have already proposed to  $w^*$ .

Either  $m^*$  proposed to  $w^*$  and  $w^*$  was in a match  $(\hat{m}, w^*)$  or at a later point  $\hat{m}$  proposed and broke  $(m^*, w^*)$  to form  $(\hat{m}, w^*)$

In either case,  $\hat{m} \underset{w^*}{\succ} m^*$ . AND either  $m' = \hat{m}$  or

$m' \underset{w^*}{\succ} \hat{m} \underset{w^*}{\succ} m^*$  BUT THIS CONTRADICTS



# output is stable

spse not.

$$\exists (m^*, w), (m, w^*) \in S \quad w \prec_{m^*} w^* \quad m \prec_{w^*} m^*$$

# output is stable

spse not.  $\exists(m^*, w), (m, w^*) \in S \quad w \prec_{m^*} w^* \quad m \prec_{w^*} m^*$

$m^*$  last proposal was to  $w$

but  $w \prec_{m^*} w^*$  and so  $m^*$  must have already asked  $w^*$

and must have been rejected by  $m^* \prec_{w^*} m'$

then either  $m' \prec_{w^*} m$  or  $m'=m$

which contradicts assumption  $m \prec_{w^*} m^*$

# Proposer wins

M



W



(D, U) (B, H) stable

(B, V) (D, H) stable.

# Proposer wins





# Remarkable theorem

w is valid for m:  $\exists$  a stable matching  $S$  s.t.  $(m, w) \in S$  and  $(m, w^*)$  is NOT in ANY stable matching for

best(m):  $\{w \mid w \text{ is valid for } m\}$

$$w^* \underset{m}{>} w$$

$$\underline{S^*} = \{ (m, \text{best}(m)) \}$$

"Best matching for  $M$ "

$\rightarrow$  GS returns  $S^*$ . (no matter which order the proposals are made)

GS is Suitor-optimal.



# GS matching vs R-opt

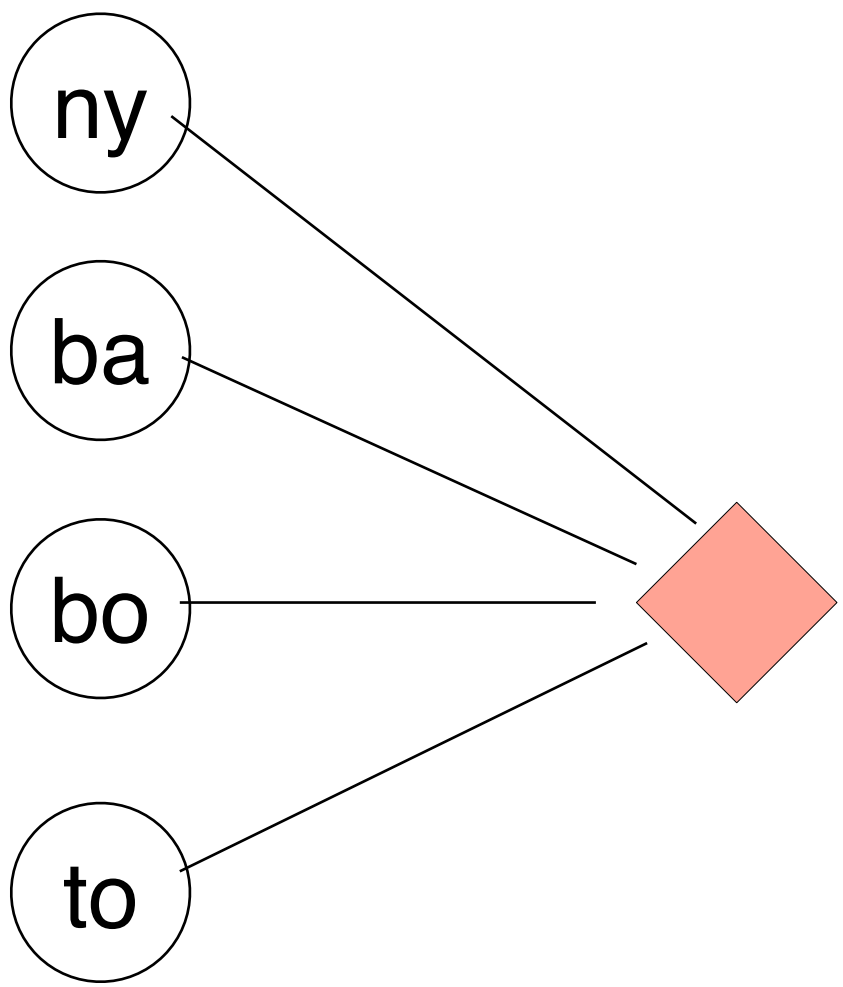
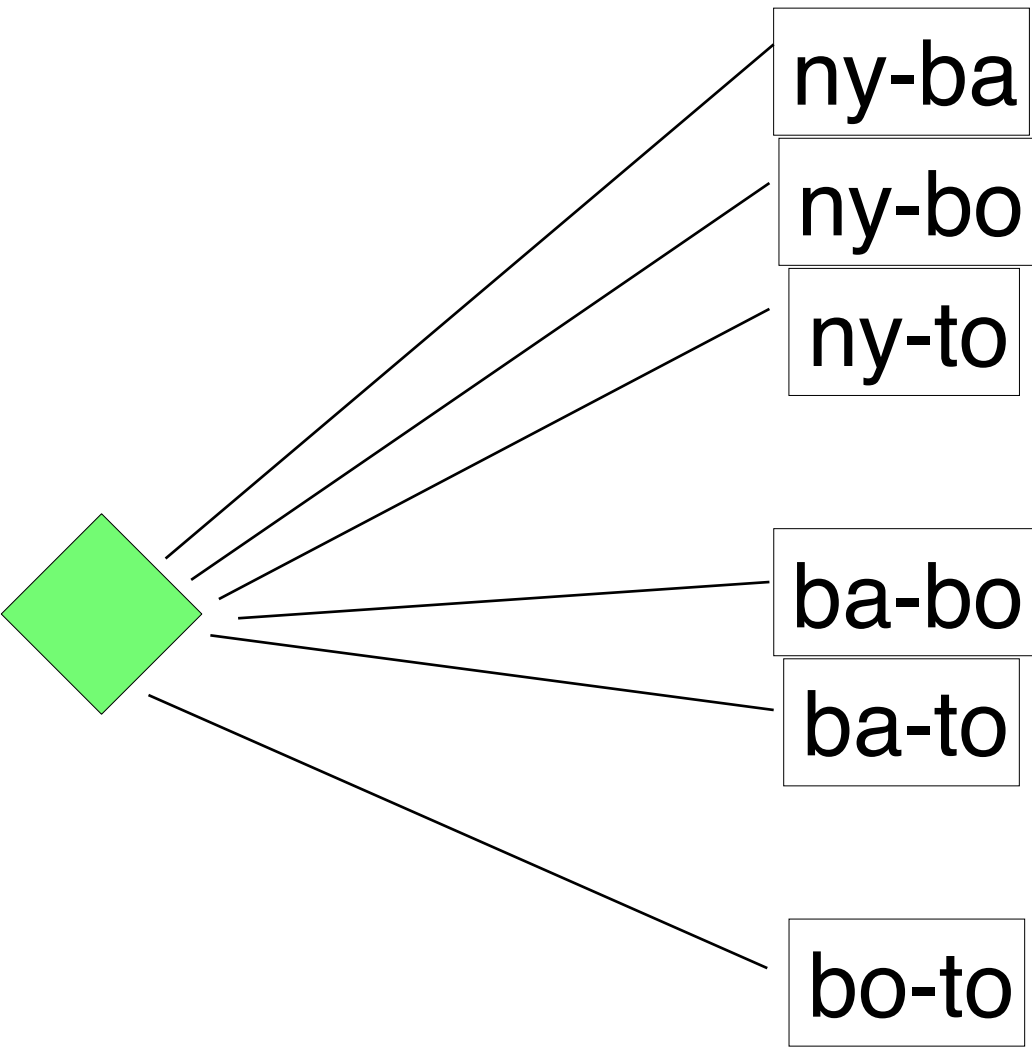


# Baseball elimination

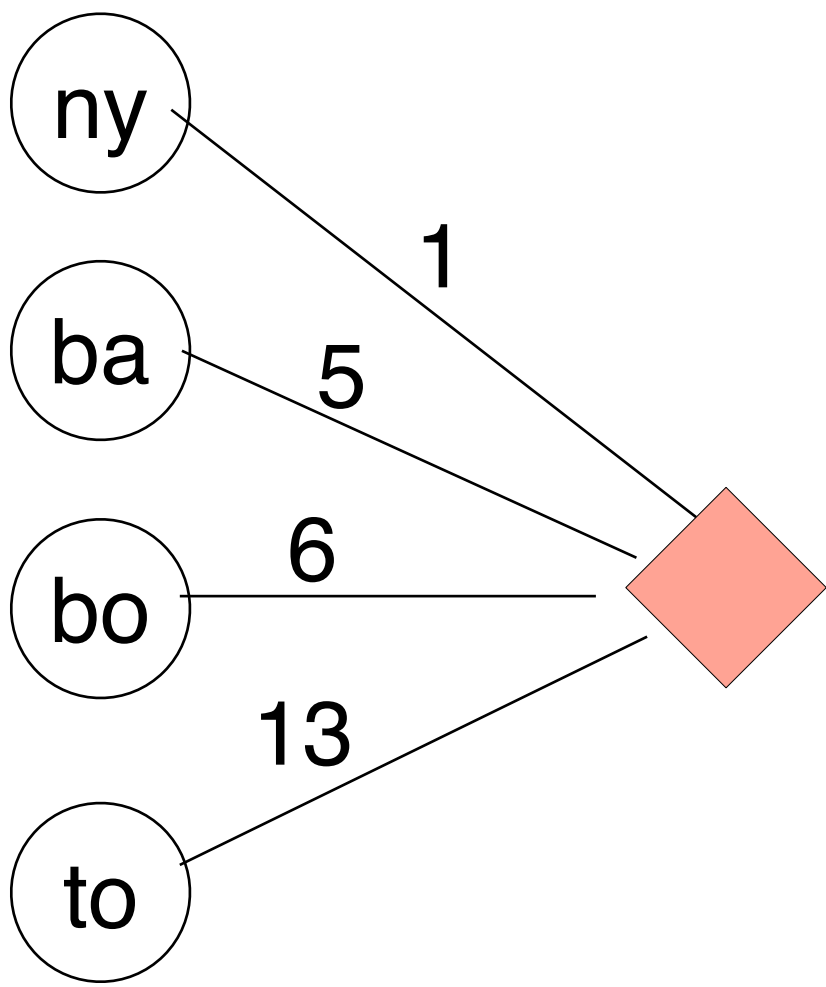
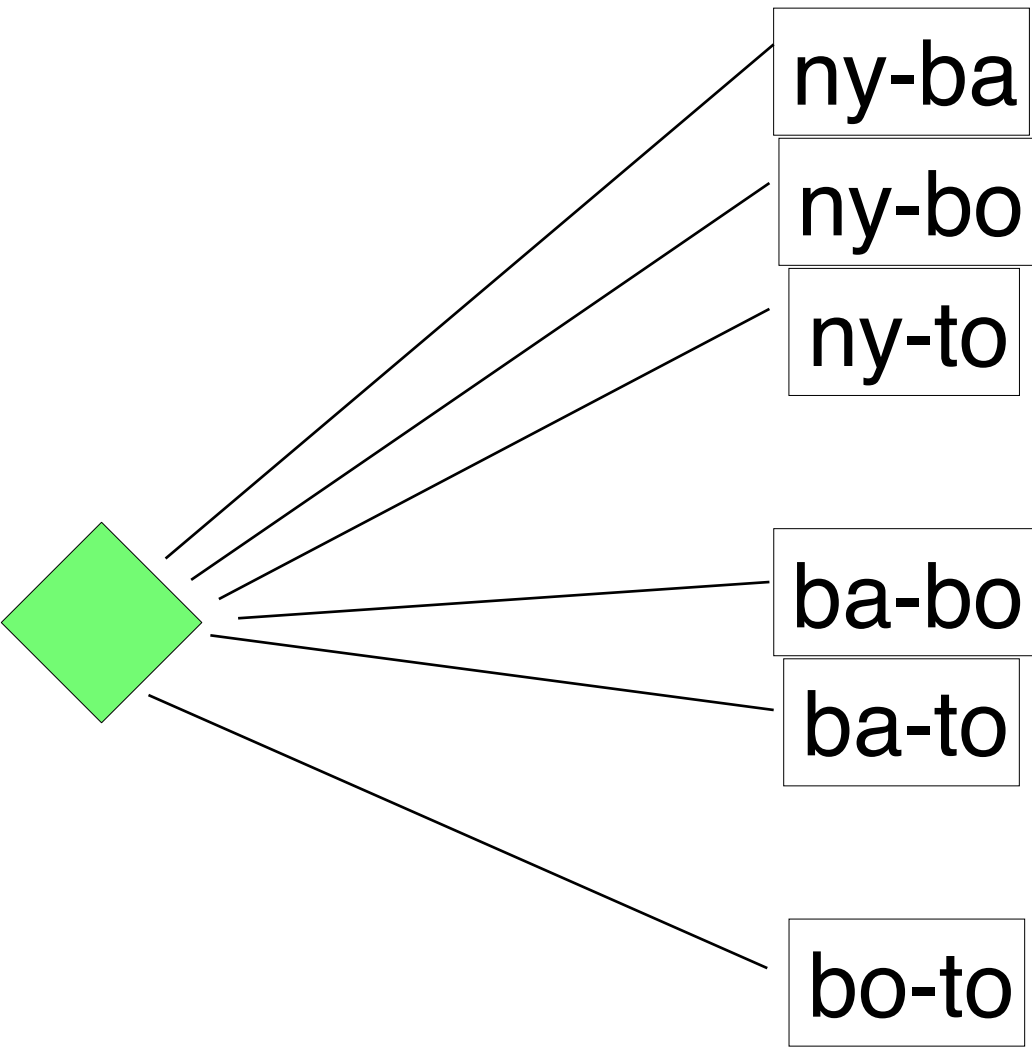
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				A	P	N	M	
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PHL	80	79	3	1	-	0	2	
NY	78	78	6	6	0	-	0	
MONT	77	82	3	1	2	0	-	

# Baseball elimination

	W	L	Left	Against				
				N	B	Bo	T	D
NY	75	59	28		3	8	7	3
BAL	71	63	28	3		2	7	4
BOS	69	66	27	8	2			
TOR	63	72	27	7	7			
DET	49	86	27	3	4			

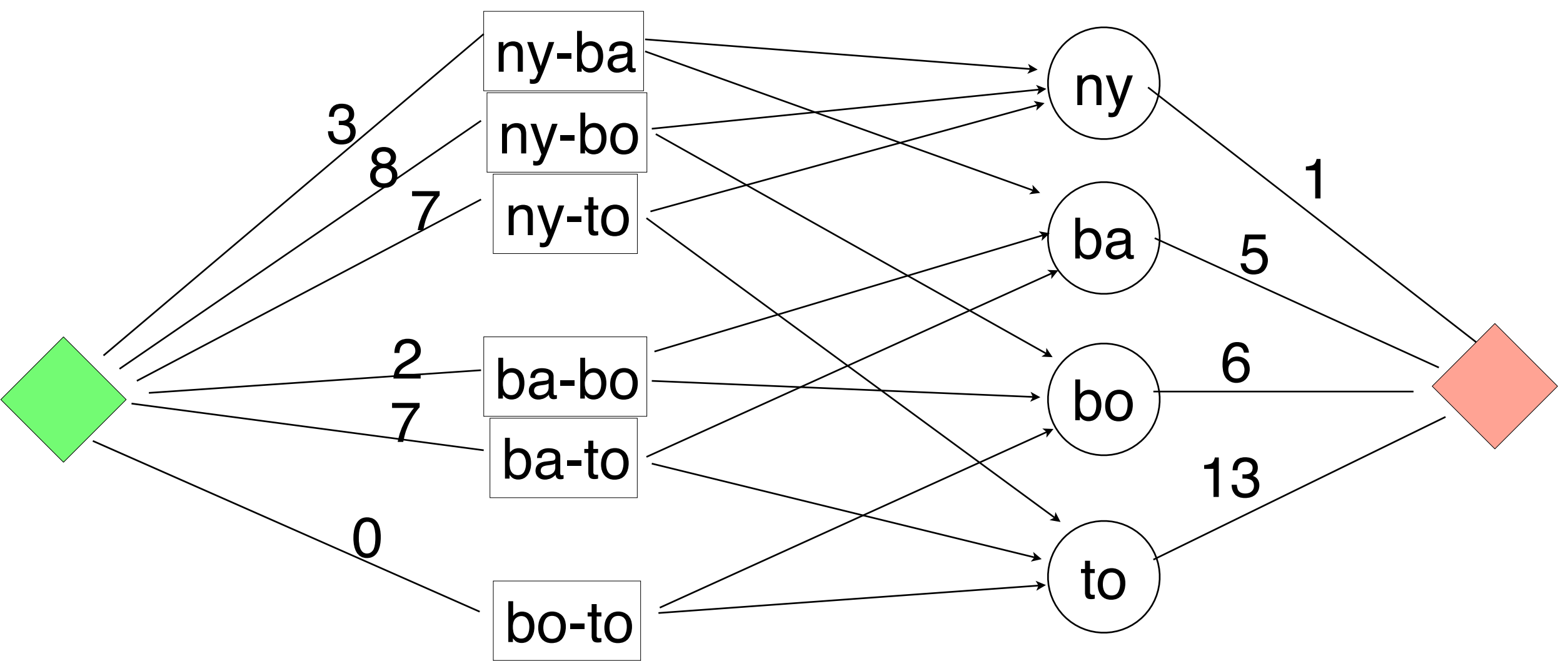


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