

Presentation for 20 April 2021  
Social Choice Theory  
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Only Borda count - U,P,ND, MIIA,A,N and PR

When  $|X| = 2$ , May's theorem = Borda count.

Let  $X = \{x, y, z\}$  for  $|X| = 3$

For profile  $\succ$ .

$a_{xy}(\succ) = (x \succ y \succ z) \text{ or } (z \succ x \succ y)$

$a_{yx}(\succ) = (z \succ y \succ x) \text{ or } (y \succ x \succ z)$

For  $I_3^F(a_{xy}, a_{yx})$  be proportion  $a_{xzy}$

If  $a_{yzx}(\succ) = 1 - a_{xy} - a_{yx} - I_3^F(a_{xy}, a_{yx})$ , then  $x \sim_F y$ , where  $\succeq_F = F(\succ)$

$I_3^F$  Social Indifference Curve

Case 1: if  $a_{xy} = a_{yx}$ , then  $a_{xzy} = a_{yzx}$  if  $x \sim y$

Case 2: if  $a_{xy} = 1$ ,  $I_3^F(a_{xy}, a_{yx}) = 0$

Case 3: if  $a_{xy} = a_{yx} = 0$ , then  $a_{xzy} = a_{yzx}$

Fractions does not affect the social ranking of  $x$  and  $y$

$a_{xy}(\lambda) = (x \succ y \succ z)$  or  $(z \succ x \succ y)$

Actual division does not matter

$I_3^F(a_{xy}, a_{yx})$  is unique.

Two values:  $a_{xzy}$  and  $a'_{xzy}$  with  $a_{xzy} < a'_{xzy}$

From  $(a_{xy}, a_{yz}, a_{xzy}, 1 - a_{xy} - a_{yz} - a_{xzy})$  to  $(a_{xy}, a_{yz}, a'_{xzy}, 1 - a_{xy} - a_{yz} - a'_{xzy})$  means  $x$  is rising and  $y$  is falling in individual rankings.

$x \sim_F y$  for both is not possible.

Show that  $I_3^F = I_3^B$  in order for  $F$  to be the Borda Count rule.

Category 1				Category 2	
x	z	y	z	x	y
y	x	x	y	z	z
z	y	z	x	y	x

Sensitivity between category 1 and 2



For  $x \sim y$ ,  $B(x) = B(y)$

$$0 = (a_{xy} - a_{yx}) + 2(a_{xzy} - a_{yzx}) \text{ (eqn 1)}$$

$$0 = (a_{xy} - a_{yx}) + 2(I_3^B - (1 - a_{xy} - a_{yx} - I_3^B)) \text{ (eqn 2)}$$

$$0 = (a_{xy} - a_{yx}) + 2(2I_3^B - 1 + a_{xy} + a_{yx})$$

$$0 = a_{xy} - a_{yx} + 4I_3^B - 2 + 2a_{xy} + 2a_{yx}$$

$$0 = 4I_3^B - 2 + 3a_{xy} + a_{yx}$$

$$I_3^B = (2 - 3a_{xy} - a_{yx})/4 \text{ (eqn 3)}$$

Clarification:  $I_3^B$  shorthand for  $I_3^B(a_{xy}, a_{yx})$

Assumption for the general form

$$I_3^F(a_{xy}, a_{yx}) = B_0 + B_{xy}a_{xy} + B_{yx}a_{yx} \text{ for some } B_0, B_{xy}, B_{yx}. \text{ (eqn 4)}$$

When  $a_{xy} = a_{yx} = a$  from case 1

$$I_3^F(a, a) = 1 - 2a - I_3^F(a, a) \text{ (eqn 5)}$$

$$2I_3^F(a, a) = 1 - 2a = 2B_0 + 2(B_{xy} + B_{yx})a \text{ (eqn 6)}$$

Infer:

$$B_0 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$B_{xy} + B_{yx} = -1$$

## CONTINUE PROOF

Consider the profile  $\gamma^*$ .

$\frac{1}{6} + c$	$\frac{1}{6} + c$	$\frac{1}{6} + c$	$\frac{1}{6} - c$	$\frac{1}{6} - c$	$\frac{1}{6} - c$
x	z	y	z	y	x
y	x	z	y	x	z
z	y	x	x	z	y

Claim:  $x \sim y$

Counter-claim:  $x \succ_F^* y$

Permutation  $\sigma$ :  $\sigma(x) = y, \sigma(y) = z$  and  $\sigma(z) = x$

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y	x	z	x	z	y
z	y	x	z	y	x
x	z	y	y	x	z

Claim for second profile:  $y \succ_F^* z$

Contradiction:  $x \succ_F^* y \succ_F^* z \succ_F^* x$

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x	z	y	z	y	x
y	x	z	y	x	z
z	y	x	x	z	y

$$a_{xy} = \frac{1}{3} + 2c$$

$$a_{yx} = \frac{1}{3} - 2c$$

$$a_{xzy} = \frac{1}{6} - c$$

$$I_3^F\left(\frac{1}{3} + 2c, \frac{1}{3} - 2c\right) = \frac{1}{6} - c \text{ (eqn 7)}$$

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$$\frac{1}{2} + B_{xy}\left(\frac{1}{3} + 2c\right) - (1 + B_{xy})\left(\frac{1}{3} - 2c\right) = \frac{1}{6} - c \text{ (eqn 8)}$$

$$B_{xy} = -\frac{3}{4}$$

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