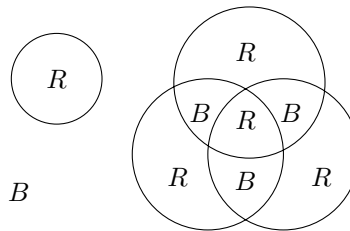


P1) Consider the following stable matching instance:

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 c_1 : a_3 > a_1 > a_2 > a_4 & a_1 : c_4 > c_1 > c_3 > c_2 \\
 c_2 : a_2 > a_1 > a_4 > a_3 & a_2 : c_1 > c_3 > c_2 > c_4 \\
 c_3 : a_2 > a_3 > a_1 > a_4 & a_3 : c_1 > c_3 > c_4 > c_2 \\
 c_4 : a_3 > a_4 > a_1 > a_2 & a_4 : c_3 > c_1 > c_2 > c_4
 \end{array}$$

- a) Run the Gale-Shapley Algorithm with companies proposing on the instance above. When choosing which free company to propose next, always choose the one with the smallest index (e.g., if c_1 and c_2 are both free, always choose c_1).
- b) Now run the algorithm with applicants proposing, breaking ties by taking the free applicant with the **smallest** index. Do you get the same result?
- P2) Show that an instance of the stable matching problem has exactly one stable matching if and only if the company optimal matching is equal to the applicant optimal matching.
- P3) Suppose we have drawn n circles on the plane. Show that we can color the regions with 2 colors (R/B) such that any two neighboring regions are colored with distinct colors. Two regions are neighbors if they share a line segment. See the following example:



- a) First explain what is wrong with the following inductive proof: We prove by induction that any n circles drawn on the plane can be colored with R/B such that any two neighboring regions have distinct colors.
The claim obviously holds for $n = 1$ we have a single circle and we color inside R and outside B.
Suppose we have colored the regions with $n - 1$ circles. Now, we add the n -th circle in such a way that it doesn't cross any of the previous $n - 1$ circles. and we color inside of it the opposite of the outside region.
- b) Now, solve the problem with a correct inductive proof.