

1. Review of Voting Methods so far

(a) Plurality Voting

pros

- Simple
- Quick. One tally and done.

cons

- Winner may have only small minority of votes.
- Can fail to give the Condorcet winner. (That is, a candidate who wins every one-to-one race can lose!)

(b) Instant Runoff Voting (IRV) or Ranked Choice Voting (RCV)

mechanics?

- Look for majority winner. If none, eliminate candidate with fewest votes. Repeat.

pros

- Winner is preferred by a majority

cons

- Can fail to give the Condorcet winner.
- Can fail Monotonicity Criterion.
- Takes longer.

2. Borda Count

(a) Method: • Assign points to each choice starting with:
 1 point for last choice
 2 points for 2nd-to-last
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- Sum up points
- most points wins

(b) Example:

points	# votes	3	4	2	1	1
4	1st choice	A	B	C	C	D
3	2nd choice	C	C	D	B	C
2	3rd choice	B	D	B	A	B
1	4th choice	D	A	A	D	A

FX! observe:
 B is the plurality winner.

Sums

$$A: 3(4) + 4(1) + 2(1) + 1(2) + 1(1) = 12 + 4 + 2 + 2 + 1 = 21$$

$$B: 3(2) + 4(4) + 2(2) + 1(3) + 1(2) = 31$$

$$C: 3(3) + 4(3) + 2(4) + 1(4) + 1(3) = 36$$

$$D: 3(1) + 4(2) + 2(3) + 1(1) + 1(4) = 22$$

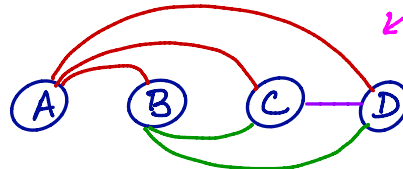
Largest sum.
C wins using
 Borda Count.

3. Copeland's Method

- (a) Method:
- Do all head-to-head matchups
 - Assign one point for each win, $\frac{1}{2}$ point for tie
 - Sum points.
 - Most wins.

(b) Example:

# votes	3	4	2	1	1
1st choice	A	B	C	C	D
2nd choice	C	C	D	B	C
3rd choice	B	D	B	A	B
4th choice	D	A	A	D	A



tally A vs B :

A	3
B	4 + 2 + 1 + 1 = 8

Work:

tally one together

matchup	A vs B	A vs C	A vs D	B vs C	B vs D	C vs D
tally	A : 3 B : 8	A : 3 C : 8	A : 4 D : 7	B : 4 C : 7	B : 8 D : 3	C : 10 D : 1
winner	B	C	D	C	B	C

I'll just give you this for simplicity. Check on your own.

tally points

A	0
B	2
C	3
D	1

The most points
C wins under Copeland's Method.

FYI: C is Condorcet Winner in this case, too!