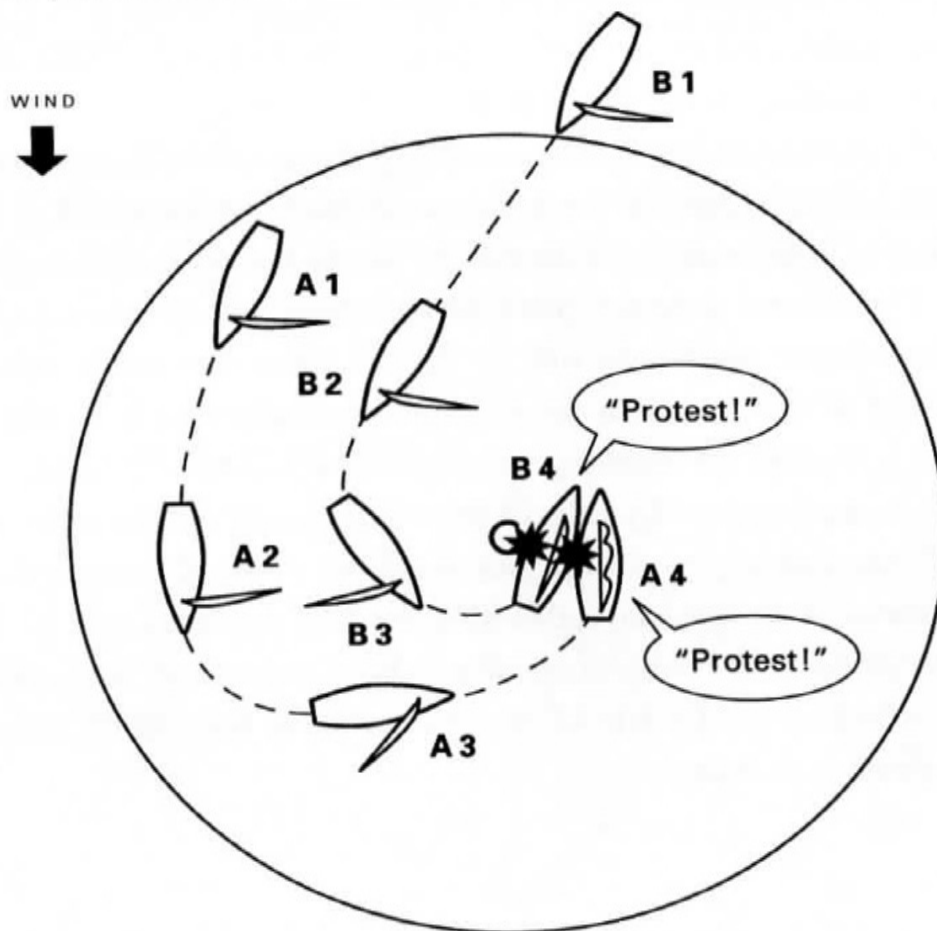


Quiz 41

Boats A and B are approaching a leeward mark to be left to port. The next leg is a windward leg. A is clear ahead of B when she reaches the zone. A swings wide and gybes. When she is on a beam reach angle she is approximately one boat length to leeward of the mark. B sails into the space between A and the mark, and A immediately luffs up to head to wind to close the door. B is unable to keep clear of A and unable to avoid touching the mark. There is contact with no damage or injury. Both boats protest. You are on the protest committee; how would you decide this?



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