Reviving, reproducing and revisiting Axelrod's second tournamentt

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1 Introduction

The Prisoner's Dilemma has been the centre of the study of cooperative behaviour since Robert Axelrod's seminal work in the 1980s [1, 2, 4]. In this work, Robert Axelrod invited fellow academics to write computer code to play the Iterated Prisoner's Dilemma. This initial research has subsequently led to a huge area of research aiming to understand the emergence of cooperative behaviour. A good overview of the variety of research areas is given in [9].

In the Prisoner's Dilemma, each player chooses simultaneously and independently between cooperation (C) or defection (D). The payoffs of the game are defined by the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} R & S \\ T & P \end{pmatrix}$, where T > R > P > S and 2R > T + S. The PD is a one round game, but is commonly studied in a manner where the prior outcomes matter. This repeated form is called the Iterated Prisoner's Dilemma (IPD).

In Robert Axelrod's tournaments the particular values of R=3, P=1, S=0, T=5 were used. Strategies were submitted written in either Fortran or Basic (in which case they were translated to Fortran). The very first tournament [1] involved 14 submissions (complemented by a fifteenth random strategy). Famously, the winner of this tournament was Tit For Tat: a strategy that mimics the opponent's previous action. The only sources for this work are the paper itself, all of the source code is apparently lost. In the second tournament [2] 64 strategies were submitted and again: Tit For Tat was declared the winner. From a computation archaeological point of view this tournament was far superior as the source code for all the strategies was kept and made available for use. It can be found at http://www-personal.umich.edu/~axe/research/Software/CC/CC2/TourExec1.1.f.html.

This work describes the process of reviving and using these strategies in a modern software framework ([12]): a Python library with over 200 strategies and a large number of analytical procedures which has been used in ongoing research [7, 8].

Importantly, reviving the strategies is not done through a manual exercise of reverse engineering the Fortran code which would be prone to mistakes. This is done by calling the original functions ensuring the **best possible reproduction** and analysis of Robert Axelrod's original work. This will be described in more detail in Section 2.

Results and further analyses pertaining to reproducing the tournament will be given in Section 3. Finally, Section 4 will extend the analysis to include contemporary research topics:

- Experimenting with adding one of over 196 other strategies from [12] to see how the results change.
- Investigating the overall performance of Zero determinant strategies [10].
- Running a tournament with all considered strategies (more than 250).

This work contributes to the game theoretic literature by providing the first exercise in reproducing reported results that have been at the core of the study of cooperation. Furthermore it also provides a contemporary lens which, amongst other things concludes with one of the largest Iterated Prisoner's Dilemma tournaments. Finally, by reviving the original code and making it available to use in [12] it is now possible to use the original strategies of Robert Axelrod's second tournament in a modern framework which for example allows for the study of topological and evolutionary variants.

2 Reviving the tournament

As described in Section 1, the original source code for Axelrod's second tournament was written in Fortan (some contributors submitted code in Basic), this was subsequently published at [3]. This website maintained by the University of Michigan Center for the Study of Complex Systems was last updated (at the time of writing) in 1996. The source code was originally a single file (TourExec1.1.f) and is published on the site in HTML format.

For the purposes of this work, the html formatting was removed to produce the original fortran file which was then minimally modified so that it would compile on a modern compiler.

Furthermore, each strategy was extracted in to a single modular file which follows modern best practice and makes analysis more readable.

Finally, a Makefile was created to control the compilation of the fortran strategy files into a single binary shared object file (named libstrategies.so) which is then installed into a standard location on a Posix compliant operating system.

This work can be found at https://github.com/Axelrod-Python/TourExec and has been archived at [5].

A Python library has been written that enables an interface to the Axelrod library described in the previous section. This library is referred to as the Axelrod_fortran library and is available at https://github.com/Axelrod-Python/axelrod-fortran and the specific version used for this work is [6].

This library has the binary file libstrategies of described above as a dependency but otherwise offers a straightforward to install (using standard scientific python packages) and use option for the study of the strategies of [2].

For this to work there are a variety of minor translations that need to take place. As documented at http://www-personal.umich.edu/~axe/research/Software/CC/CC2/TourExec1.1.f.html the Fortran code implies that each strategy is a Fortran function which takes the following inputs.

- J: The opponent's previous move: 0 corresponds to a defection and 1 to a cooperation.
- M: The current turn number (starting at 1).
- K: The player's current cumulative score.
- L: The opponent's current cumulative score.
- R: A random number between 0 and 1: used by stochastic strategies.
- JA: The player's previous move.

For example, Figure 1 shows the source code for k92r.f also known as Tit For Tat.

```
FUNCTION K92R(J,M,K,L,R, JA)

C BY ANATOL RAPOPORT

C TYPED BY AX 3/27/79 (SAME AS ROUND ONE TIT FOR TAT)

c replaced by actual code, Ax 7/27/93

c T=0

c K92R=ITFTR(J,M,K,L,T,R)

k92r=0
k92r = j

c test 7/30

c write(6,77) j, k92r

c77 format('utestuk92r.uj,k92r:u', 2i3)

RETURN
END
```

Figure 1: Fortran Source code for original Tit For Tat strategy submitted to Axelrod's second tournament.

The Axelrod library takes advantage of the modern Object Oriented framework in Python. Each strategy is a class with agent based behaviour. The input to each player is simply the opponent with both holding their respective history of plays. In the newly written Axelrod_fortran library a class inherited from the base Axelrod class is written that interfaces with the Fortran strategies and the Python requirements. This includes, for example passing an initial move required by the Fortran player: using the original Fortran code as reference (see Figure 2) it is assumed that the assumed prior move is a cooperation (which is in line with Figure 1).

Figure 3 shows a diagrammatic representation of the interface between the Python strategy and the Fortran function. The major advantage of this approach is that at no point has any subjectivity been added to the process of replicating Axelrod's second tournament. Indeed for some strategies the only description available is the Fortran code itself, thus they are being run and used as available. To the authors' knowledge this is the best possible way to replicate Axelrod's work which is the subject of the next section.

```
        Do
        20 Game = 1,5

        68
        RowGameSc = 0

        69
        ColGameSc = 0

        70
        JA = 0
        ! Row's previous move, reported to column

        71
        JB = 0
        ! Col's previous move, reported to row
```

Figure 2: A portion of the code https://github.com/Axelrod-Python/TourExec/blob/master/src/tournament/AxTest.f setting the default previous move to a cooperation and score to 0.

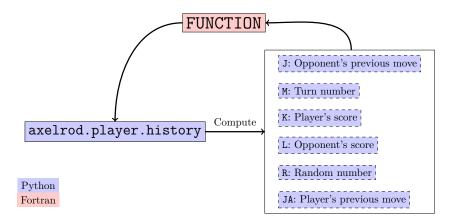


Figure 3: The interface between the Python axelrod library and the Fortran code

3 Reproducing the tournament

From [2], the following characteristics of the original tournament have been identified:

- Matches have length from {63, 77, 151, 308, 156};
- Players do not know the number of rounds in a given match;
- A total of 25000 repetitions across the various match lengths have been carried out.

Note that there is some lack of clarity in [2] as to the length of the matches:

"As announced in the rules, the length of the games was determined probabilistically with a .00346 chance of ending with each given move. This parameter was chosen so that the expected median length of a game would be 200 moves. In practice, each pair of players was matched five times, and the lengths of these five games were determined once and for all by drawing a random sample. The resulting random sample from the implied distribution specified that the five games for each pair of players would be of lengths 63, 77, 151, and 308 moves. Thus the average length of a game turned out to be somewhat shorter than expected at 151 moves."

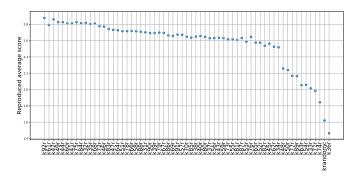
As only four match length samples were specified but the average was given, a fifth match length of 156 is assumed (giving the correct average of 151). It seems that the only stochastic smoothing used was these five repetitions, without a known seed it is not possible to replicate, thus the original tournament is repeated a total of 25000 for each match length.

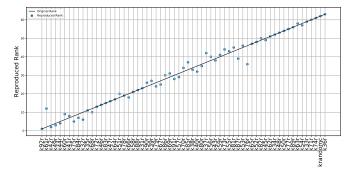
The replicated scores and corresponding rankings of each strategy across all repetitions are shown in Figure 4.

The top 15 strategies in the reproduced tournament are shown in Table 1.

Whilst the results show an overall agreement with the original reported results, a distinct outlier is k61r. k61r: Is referred to as Champion: cooperates for the first 10 moves, plays tit for tat for the next fifteen and then will cooperate unless: the other player defected on the previous move, the other player cooperated less than 60% and a random number between 0 and 1 is greater that the other player's cooperation rate. Upon closer investigation a bug was noted in the original code for k61r. One initial value was not being initialised, the modified version of this strategy is shown in Figure 5

It is not clear if this bug affected the tournament results reported in 1980. There is no source of the specific code used to run the tournaments and the bug only effects k61r on a second use of the function (the very first time: ICOOP is assumed to be 0). Thus, it is possible that every single match of the tournament was run in isolation.





(a) Average score per turn of each strategy.

(b) Ranking of each strategy.

Figure 4: Replicated tournament with strategies ordered by original rank

| | Author | Scores | Rank | Original Rank |
|------|---------------------------------------|--------|------|---------------|
| k92r | Anatol Rapoport | 2.8785 | 1 | 1 |
| k61r | Danny C Champion | 2.7909 | 12 | 2 |
| k42r | Otto Borufsen | 2.8607 | 2 | 3 |
| k49r | Rob Cave | 2.8262 | 3 | 4 |
| k44r | William Adams | 2.8261 | 4 | 5 |
| k60r | Jim Graaskamp and Ken Katzen | 2.8101 | 9 | 6 |
| k41r | Herb Weiner | 2.8105 | 8 | 7 |
| k75r | Paul D Harrington | 2.8260 | 5 | 8 |
| k84r | T Nicolaus Tideman and Paula Chieruzz | 2.8126 | 7 | 9 |
| k32r | Charles Kluepfel | 2.8170 | 6 | 10 |
| k35r | Abraham Getzler | 2.8015 | 11 | 11 |
| k68r | Fransois Leyvraz | 2.8088 | 10 | 12 |
| k72r | Edward C White Jr | 2.7761 | 13 | 13 |
| k46r | Graham J Eatherley | 2.7721 | 14 | 14 |
| k83r | Paul E Black | 2.7425 | 15 | 15 |

Table 1: Top 15 strategies in the reproduced tournament

```
1
         FUNCTION K61R (ISPICK, ITURN, K, L, R, JA)
2
   C BY DANNY C. CHAMPION
3
   C TYPED BY JM 3/27/79
          k61r = ja
                     ! Added 7/27/93 to report own old value
4
5
          IF (ITURN .EQ. 1) ICOOP = 0 ! Added 10/8/2017 to fix bug for multiple runs
6
          IF (ITURN .EQ. 1) K61R = 0
7
          IF (ISPICK .EQ. 0) ICOOP = ICOOP + 1
8
          IF (ITURN .LE. 10) RETURN
9
          K61R = ISPICK
10
          IF (ITURN .LE. 25) RETURN
11
         K61R = 0
12
          COPRAT = FLOAT(ICOOP) / FLOAT(ITURN)
13
          IF (ISPICK .EQ. 1 .AND. COPRAT .LT. .6 .AND. R .GT. COPRAT)
14
        +K61R = 1
15
         RETURN
16
          END
```

Figure 5: Original code for k61r with fixed bug on line 5.

Despite fixing this bug and verifying all other strategies for potentially similar bugs there is still a discrepancy in the results. There is no immediate explanation for this in [2]. Potential explanations include:

- Stochastic variation not being sufficiently taken in to account in [2].
- A difference with how an older Fortran compiler would interpret the commands: this is not obvious though, the implemented version seems to interact as expected.
- An error in the reporting of [2] which could include a modification of the source code.

Apart from this one outlier, the agreement between the original and the reproduced tournament is very strong. The main conclusions included for example that Tit For Tat (k92r) once again wins the tournament. Furthermore, the fact that high performing strategies are "nice" is also evident although perhaps interestingly k42r which takes the second rank of 61r is a strategy that cooperates with most strategies apart from itself. The overall cooperation rate of the tournament is 0.750. Figure 6 shows the cooperation rates of the tournament. It is clear that the high performing strategies cooperate overall more often (Figure ??). Also, looking at the pairwise cooperation rates in Figure 6b shows that the high performing strategies generally seems to cooperate with high performing strategies. This underpins one of the main conclusions of [2] explaining the emergence of cooperation in competitive environments.

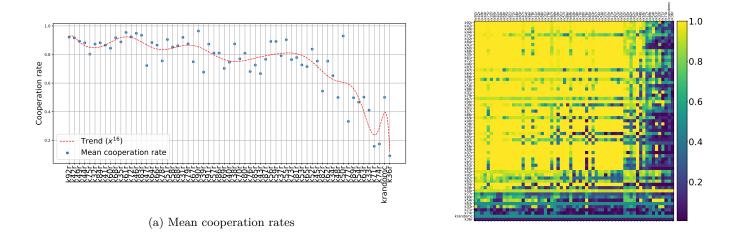


Figure 6: Replicated tournament cooperation rates with strategies ordered by original rank

(b) Cooperation rates between each pair of players

For completeness in [2], a linear regression model is used to identify 5 strategies, the scores against which are good predictors of the overall performance. The reported R^2 value is 0.979 (indicating 97% of variance accounted for by the model). The coefficients of this model are shown in Table 2.

| Strategies | Coefficients |
|------------|--------------|
| k69r | 0.202 |
| k91r | 0.198 |
| k40r | 0.110 |
| k76r | 0.072 |
| k67r | 0.086 |
| Intercept | 0.795 |

Table 2: Linear model described in [2] with $R^2 = 0.7594$

Given the discrepancy in results shown in Figure 4 and Table 1 it is not surprising to see that this model no longer performs as well with $R^2 = 0.7594$.

Fitting a new model to the same 5 strategies gives the coefficients shown in Table 3 with $R^2 = 0.9440$

| Strategies | Coefficients | p-value | F-value |
|------------|------------------|-------------|---------|
| k69r | 0.099 | 9.5178e-09 | 44.1166 |
| k91r | 0.206 | 3.07113e-10 | 56.3992 |
| k40r | 0.206 | 1.55822e-12 | 78.2667 |
| k76r | 0.060 | 0.0257417 | 5.22576 |
| k67r | $0.124 \\ 0.770$ | 1.7738e-06 | 27.9476 |
| Intercept | | NA | NA |

Table 3: Linear model fitted to the same 5 strategies described in [2] with $\mathbb{R}^2 = 0.9440$

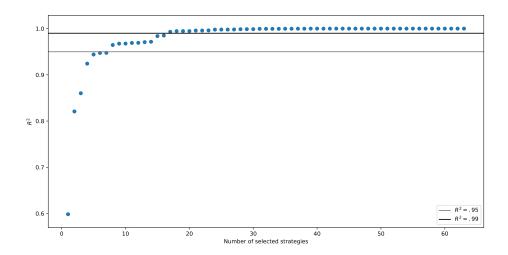


Figure 7: \mathbb{R}^2 for models obtained using recursive feature elimination.

Using recursive feature elimination It is possible to select the features (strategies) that give the best prediction for a given number of features. The \mathbb{R}^2 versus the number of features is shown in Figure 7.

Tables 4 and ?? show the coefficients for linear models fitted to 5 and 12 strategies with $R^2 = 0.9440$ and $R^2 = 0.9932$ respectively (17 strategies is the smallest number of strategies for which $R^2 > 99$).

| Strategies | Coefficients | <i>p</i> -value | F-value |
|------------|--------------|-----------------|---------|
| k64r | 0.195 | 1.68964e-14 | 100.282 |
| k70r | 0.165 | 1.00776e-12 | 80.2471 |
| k75r | 0.123 | 0.168258 | 1.94432 |
| k89r | 0.159 | 0.0157351 | 6.17256 |
| k92r | 0.301 | 1.07093e-13 | 90.8974 |
| Intercept | 0.068 | NA | NA |

Table 4: Linear model best fitted to 5 strategies in the reproduced tournament with $R^2 = 0.9440$

| Strategies | Coefficients | p-value | F-value |
|------------|--------------|--------------|---------|
| k35r | -0.145 | 1.37332e-13 | 89.6766 |
| k36r | 0.128 | 0.190269 | 1.75437 |
| k38r | -0.102 | 3.3876e-09 | 47.6646 |
| k44r | 0.084 | 8.26862 e-10 | 52.7105 |
| k46r | -0.292 | 0.004666 | 8.6278 |
| k56r | 0.235 | 2.29213e-09 | 49.0386 |
| k64r | 0.179 | 1.68964e-14 | 100.282 |
| k68r | 0.190 | 4.52731e-06 | 25.3442 |
| k70r | 0.145 | 1.00776e-12 | 80.2471 |
| k75r | 0.095 | 0.168258 | 1.94432 |
| k76r | 0.054 | 0.0257417 | 5.22576 |
| k78r | 0.057 | 9.40283e-07 | 29.7599 |
| k80r | 0.099 | 9.90171e-16 | 115.859 |
| k84r | -0.172 | 3.35039e-18 | 151.839 |
| k89r | 0.090 | 0.0157351 | 6.17256 |
| k91r | -0.082 | 3.07113e-10 | 56.3992 |
| k92r | 0.407 | 1.07093e-13 | 90.8974 |
| Intercept | 0.207 | NA | NA |

Table 5: Linear model best fitted to 17 strategies in the reproduced tournament with $R^2 = 0.9932$

The predictions of these models are shown in Figure 8.

It is clear that the effectiveness of the predictive models with 5 strategies is low for the cluster of highly performing strategies (with a score great than 2.5). To be able to obtain a good model even for high performing strategies 12 seem to provide a good predictive model.

4 Revisiting the tournament

In this section, the tournament of [2] will be revisited. Indeed, a large amount of research has gone on since Axelrod's original work which include for example training of strategies using reinforcement learning [7] but also the discovery of Zero Determinant strategies [10]. This section aims to measure how well these strategies would have faired and **if** any of the original insights and conclusions would differ.

4.1 Running with an extra invitation

4.1.1 Known strategies

The tournament is run with every strategy of the Axelrod library. Every tournament (corresponding to each strategy) was run for 12500 repetitions. Table 6 shows the top ranking strategies.

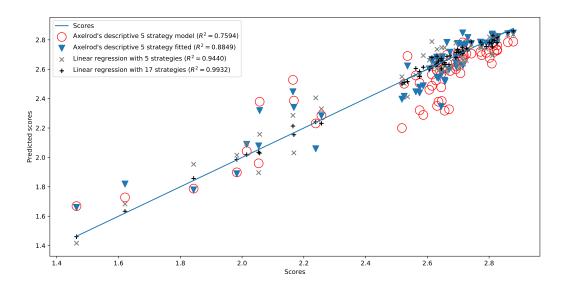


Figure 8: Predicting the performance of strategies using the 4 models discussed

| | Cooperation Rate against opponents | Cooperation Rate from opponents | Library Rank | Rank | Score | Winner |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|------|-------|--------|
| Name | | | | | | |
| Meta Majority Long Memory | 0.897 | 0.910 | 80 | 2 | 2.866 | k92r |
| Meta Majority | 0.884 | 0.893 | 90 | 2 | 2.868 | k92r |
| Firm But Fair | 0.942 | 0.926 | 86 | 2 | 2.869 | k92r |
| ZD-GTFT-2 | 0.941 | 0.929 | 52 | 2 | 2.876 | k92r |
| Soft Joss | 0.935 | 0.927 | 54 | 2 | 2.878 | k92r |
| Adaptive Tit For Tat | 0.923 | 0.922 | 84 | 2 | 2.880 | k92r |
| PSO Gambler 2_2_2 Noise 05 | 0.866 | 0.880 | 16 | 3 | 2.833 | k92r |
| Omega TFT | 0.888 | 0.904 | 13 | 3 | 2.853 | k92r |
| GTFT | 0.946 | 0.928 | 59 | 3 | 2.855 | k92r |
| Meta Majority Finite Memory | 0.909 | 0.911 | 107 | 3 | 2.857 | k92r |
| Forgiving Tit For Tat | 0.925 | 0.916 | 81 | 3 | 2.858 | k92r |
| Gradual | 0.744 | 0.698 | 17 | 3 | 2.859 | k92r |
| Resurrection | 0.755 | 0.786 | 76 | 3 | 2.861 | k92r |
| Spiteful Tit For Tat | 0.857 | 0.877 | 22 | 7 | 2.816 | k92r |
| Stein and Rapoport | 0.864 | 0.882 | 50 | 7 | 2.816 | k92r |
| Champion | 0.954 | 0.911 | 89 | 12 | 2.794 | k92r |
| ZD-GEN-2 | 0.918 | 0.897 | 63 | 12 | 2.799 | k92r |
| Doubler | 0.922 | 0.892 | 85 | 13 | 2.785 | k92r |
| EugineNier | 0.824 | 0.857 | 28 | 13 | 2.787 | k92r |
| GrudgerAlternator | 0.828 | 0.835 | 69 | 13 | 2.793 | k92r |

Table 6: Performance of extra strategy in Axelrod's original tournament

Figure 9 shows the rank of the extra strategy against it's rank in the library tournament.

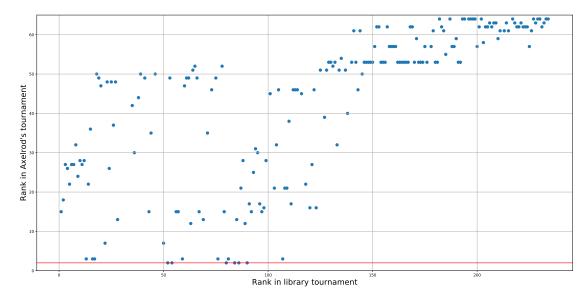


Figure 9: Ranks of extra strategy

4.2 Further tournaments

4.2.1 Running with extortion

Since the work of [10] a lot of interest has been shown to Zero Determinant strategies. In [11] a small tournament is presented pitting these against each other. Table 7 shows the rankings of the top 15 strategies when including all the Zero Determinant strategies from [11] over 30000 repetitions.

| | Original Author | Scores | Rank | Original Rank | Reproduced Rank |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|--------|------|---------------|-----------------|
| ZD-GTFT-2 | NA | 2.8339 | 1 | NA | NA |
| k42r | Otto Borufsen | 2.8251 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| GTFT | NA | 2.8185 | 3 | NA | NA |
| k92r | Anatol Rapoport | 2.8121 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| k49r | Rob Cave | 2.7874 | 5 | 4 | 3 |
| k75r | Paul D Harrington | 2.7870 | 6 | 8 | 5 |
| k44r | William Adams | 2.7811 | 7 | 5 | 4 |
| k61r | Danny C Champion | 2.7722 | 8 | 2 | 12 |
| k68r | Fransois Leyvraz | 2.7679 | 9 | 12 | 10 |
| k41r | Herb Weiner | 2.7620 | 10 | 7 | 8 |
| k32r | Charles Kluepfel | 2.7582 | 11 | 10 | 6 |
| k46r | Graham J Eatherley | 2.7570 | 12 | 14 | 14 |
| k72r | Edward C White Jr | 2.7544 | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| k35r | Abraham Getzler | 2.7470 | 14 | 11 | 11 |
| k84r | T Nicolaus Tideman and Paula Chieruzz | 2.7449 | 15 | 9 | 7 |

Table 7: Top 15 strategies in the tournament composed of the original strategies and the Zero Determinant strategies from [11]

The overall cooperation rate of this tournament is 0.731 and the various cooperation rates are shown in Figure 10 shows the cooperation rates of each strategy (ordered by rank).

Figure 12 shows the pair wise cooperation rates.

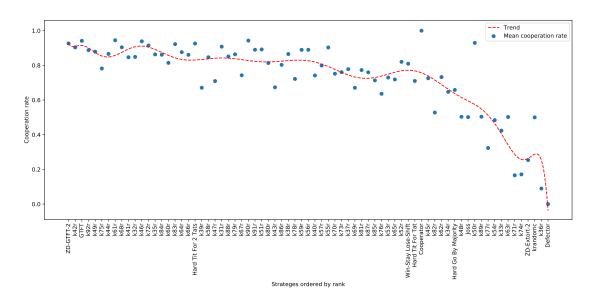


Figure 10: Cooperation rate versus rank for the Stewart and Poltkin tournament

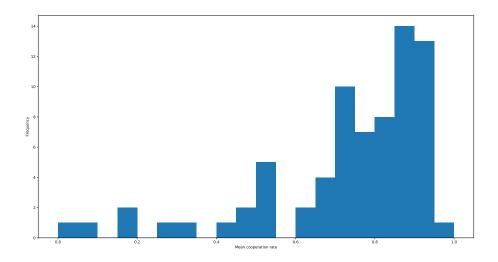


Figure 11: Distribution of cooperation rates for the Stewart and Plotkin tournament

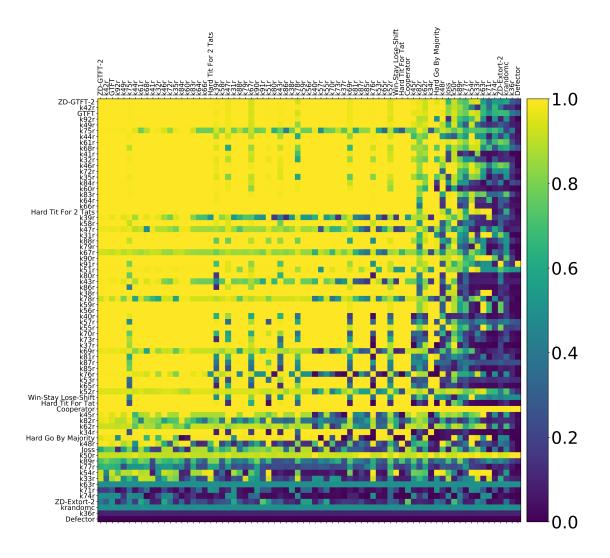


Figure 12: Cooperation rates between each pair of players (ordered by rank) for the Stewart and Plotkin tournament

4.2.2 Running a large tournament

Table 8 shows the rankings of the top 20 strategies when including all strategies over 20000 repetitions. The cooperation rate for the tournament that pits all the library strategies against each other (without the Fortran ones) is 0.624.

| | Original Author | Scores | Rank | Library Rank | Original Rank | Reproduced Rank |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------|--------|------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|
| EvolvedLookerUp2_2_2 | NA | 2.8345 | 1 | 1 | NA | NA |
| Evolved HMM 5 | NA | 2.8210 | 2 | 2 | NA | NA |
| Evolved FSM 16 Noise 05 | NA | 2.8057 | 3 | 5 | NA | NA |
| Evolved FSM 16 | NA | 2.8015 | 4 | 4 | NA | NA |
| PSO Gambler 2_2_2 | NA | 2.7997 | 5 | 3 | NA | NA |
| Evolved ANN | NA | 2.7898 | 6 | 7 | NA | NA |
| Evolved ANN 5 | NA | 2.7891 | 7 | 6 | NA | NA |
| Omega TFT | NA | 2.7863 | 8 | 13 | NA | NA |
| PSO Gambler Mem1 | NA | 2.7811 | 9 | 9 | NA | NA |
| Evolved FSM 4 | NA | 2.7789 | 10 | 10 | NA | NA |
| PSO Gambler 1_1_1 | NA | 2.7766 | 11 | 8 | NA | NA |
| PSO Gambler 2_2_2 Noise 05 | NA | 2.7722 | 12 | 16 | NA | NA |
| Gradual | NA | 2.7637 | 13 | 17 | NA | NA |
| Evolved ANN 5 Noise 05 | NA | 2.7634 | 14 | 11 | NA | NA |
| DBS | NA | 2.7618 | 15 | 12 | NA | NA |
| Winner12 | NA | 2.7569 | 16 | 14 | NA | NA |
| k85r | Robert B Falk and James M Langsted | 2.7409 | 17 | NA | 33 | 37 |
| Spiteful Tit For Tat | NA | 2.7357 | 18 | 22 | NA | NA |
| k80r | Robyn M Dawes and Mark Batell | 2.7333 | 19 | NA | 36 | 35 |
| k42r | Otto Borufsen | 2.7311 | 20 | NA | 3 | 2 |

Table 8: Top 20 strategies in the tournament when using all available strategies

The overall cooperation rate of this tournament is 0.630 and the various cooperation rates are shown in Figure 13 shows the cooperation rates of each strategy (ordered by rank).

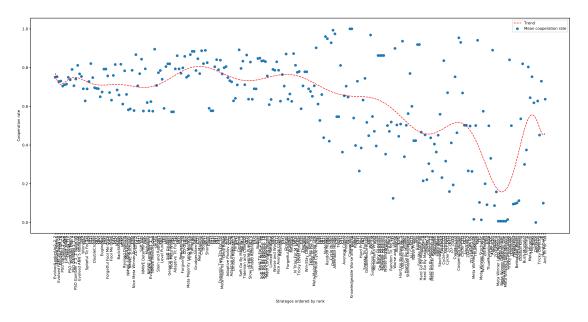


Figure 13: Cooperation rate versus rank for tournament with all available strategies

Figure 15 shows the pair wise cooperation rates.

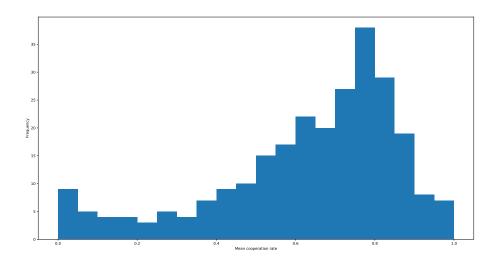


Figure 14: Distribution of cooperation rates for the full tournament.

5 Conclusion

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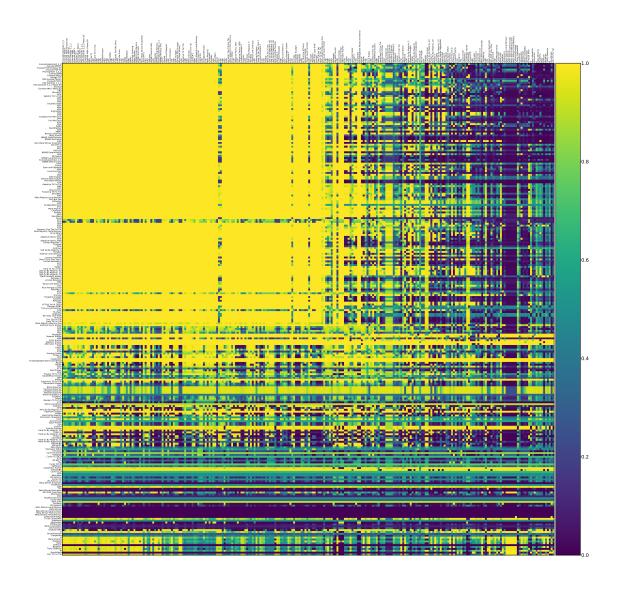


Figure 15: Cooperation rates between each pair of players (ordered by rank) for tournament with all available strategies

A List of original players

- 1. k31r Original rank: 23. Authored by Gail Grisell
- 2. k32r Original rank: 10. Authored by Charles Kluepfel
- 3. k33r Original rank: 59. Authored by Harold Rabbie
- 4. k34r Original rank: 52. Authored by James W Friedman
- 5. k35r Original rank: 11. Authored by Abraham Getzler
- 6. k36r Original rank: 63. Authored by Roger Hotz
- 7. k37r Original rank: 37. Authored by George Lefevre
- 8. k38r Original rank: 34. Authored by Nelson Weiderman
- 9. k39r Original rank: 25. Authored by Tom Almy
- 10. k40r Original rank: 35. Authored by Robert Adams
- 11. k41r Original rank: 7. Authored by Herb Weiner
- 12. k42r Original rank: 3. Authored by Otto Borufsen
- 13. k43r Original rank: 39. Authored by R D Anderson
- 14. k44r Original rank: 5. Authored by William Adams
- 15. k45r Original rank: 50. Authored by Michael F McGurrin
- k46r Original rank: 14. Authored by Graham J Eatherley
- 17. k47r Original rank: 16. Authored by Richard Hufford
- 18. k48r Original rank: 53. Authored by George Hufford
- 19. k49r Original rank: 4. Authored by Rob Cave
- 20. k50r Original rank: 54. Authored by Rik Smoody
- 21. k51r Original rank: 18. Authored by John William Colbert
- 22. k52r Original rank: 48. Authored by David A Smith
- 23. k
53r Original rank: 45. Authored by Henry Nussbacher
- 24. k
54r Original rank: 58. Authored by William H
 Robertson
- 25. k55r Original rank: 42. Authored by Steve Newman
- 26. k56r Original rank: 38. Authored by Stanley F Quayle

- 27. k57r Original rank: 31. Authored by Rudy Nydegger
- 28. k58r Original rank: 21. Authored by Glen Rowsam
- 29. k59r Original rank: 40. Authored by Leslie Downing
- $30.\ \ k60r$ Original rank: 6. Authored by Jim Graaskamp and Ken Katzen
- 31. k
61r Original rank: 2. Authored by Danny C Champion
- 32. k62r Original rank: 51. Authored by Howard R Hollander
- 33. k63r Original rank: 57. Authored by George Duisman
- 34. k64r Original rank: 17. Authored by Brian Yamachi
- 35. k65r Original rank: 47. Authored by Mark F Batell
- 36. k66r Original rank: 20. Authored by Ray Mikkelson
- 37. k67r Original rank: 27. Authored by Craig Feathers
- 38. k68r Original rank: 12. Authored by Fransois Leyvraz
- 39. k69r Original rank: 29. Authored by Johann Joss
- 40. k70r Original rank: 32. Authored by Robert Pebly
- 41. k71r Original rank: 60. Authored by James E Hall
- 42. k72r Original rank: 13. Authored by Edward C White Jr
- 43. k73r Original rank: 41. Authored by George Zimmerman
- 44. k74r Original rank: 61. Authored by Edward Friedland
- 45. k75r Original rank: 8. Authored by Paul D Harrington
- 46. k76r Original rank: 46. Authored by David Gladstein
- 47. k77r Original rank: 55. Authored by Scott Feld
- 48. k78r Original rank: 19. Authored by Fred Mauk
- 49. k79r Original rank: 26. Authored by Dennis Ambuehl and Kevin Hickey
- 50. k80r Original rank: 36. Authored by Robyn M Dawes and Mark Batell
- 51. k81r Original rank: 43. Authored by Martyn Jones
- 52. k82r Original rank: 49. Authored by Robert A Leyland

- 53. k83r Original rank: 15. Authored by Paul E Black
- 54. k84r Original rank: 9. Authored by T Nicolaus Tideman and Paula Chieruzz
- 55. k
85r Original rank: 33. Authored by Robert B Falk and James M
 Langsted $\,$
- k86r Original rank: 28. Authored by Bernard Grofman
- 57. k
87r Original rank: 44. Authored by E $\rm E~H~Schurmann$

- 58. k88r Original rank: 22. Authored by Scott Appold
- 59. k89r Original rank: 56. Authored by Gene Snodgrass
- 60. k
90r Original rank: 24. Authored by John Maynard Smith
- 61. k91r Original rank: 30. Authored by Jonathan Pinkley
- 62. k92r Original rank: 1. Authored by Anatol Rapoport
- 63. krandomc Original rank: 62. Authored by None