Example for seminar.sty

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A tax τ on communication is said to support $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}(c)$ if $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}(c)$ is an equilibrium for $\Gamma(c+\tau)$.

Proposition 6. Assume $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}(c)$ is not an equilibrium for $\Gamma(c)$.

- 1. If $supp(\gamma) = [0,1]^n$, there is no tax that supports $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}(c)$.
- 2. If $supp(\gamma) = S^{n-1}$, there is a tax that supports $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}(c)$ if and only if m = 1, $p_j > c \, \forall j$, and
 - 2.1 n = 2; or
 - 2.2 n = 3 and $p_i^{-1} + p_i^{-1} \ge p_k^{-1}$ for all distinct i, j, k; or
 - 2.3 n = 4 and $p_1 = p_2 = p_3 = p_4$.

Architecture

