

## Distributed constraint satisfaction

### 1.1 D-CSP

CSP Variables =  $\{x, y, z\}$   
Domains =  $\{\{1..3\}, \{1..3\}, \{1..3\}\}$   
Constraints =  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x > 1 \quad \textcircled{1} \\ y < 2 \quad \textcircled{2} \\ x \leq y \leq 2 \quad \textcircled{3} \end{array} \right\}$

#### ① Node consistency

$\mathcal{D}' = \{\{2..3\}, \{1..3\}, \{1..3\}\}$  because it prunes the  $x$ ' domain without care the other variables.

#### ② Arc consistency

$\mathcal{D}'' = \{\{2..3\}, \{1..2\}, \{2..3\}\}$  because there exists all pairs  $(a, b)$  of  $x$  and  $y$  respectively meets  $x < z$ .

#### ③ Path consistency

$\mathcal{D}''' = \{\{2\}, \{2\}, \{2\}\}$  because all pairs  $(a, b)$  in  $x$  and  $y$  meet  $x \leq y$  and in addition there exists a pair  $(b, c)$  in  $y$  and  $z$  that meets  $y \leq z$ .

### Problem:

- Inconsistent  $\rightarrow$  the problem has no solution
- Solved  $\rightarrow$  Domains just have one value
- Inclusive  $\rightarrow$  At least one domain has more the one value and is no possible to prune more.
- Consistent  $\rightarrow$  The problem has some solutions that accomplishes with all constraints.

### Notes about of the reading.

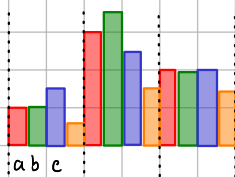
Ch 1: Distributed constraint Satisfaction  $\rightarrow$  CSP

- pruning
  - backtracking
- $\rightarrow$  Pending distribution. (Naive)

Ch 2: Distribute Optimization.

- MDPs
- Search
- Negotiation, auctions, opt.
- Scheduling problem  $\rightarrow$  integer programming
- Conventions (Laws)

Ch 3: Noncooperative games



$b$  is Pareto dominate to  $a$  and  $c$   
 $a$  and  $c$  are Pareto optimal  
 $d$  is no pareto

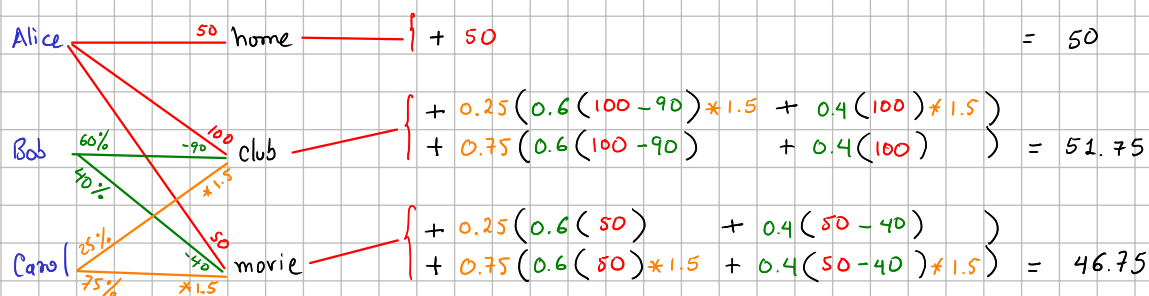
# Noncooperative Games ( $\neg$ coalitional games)

L individual

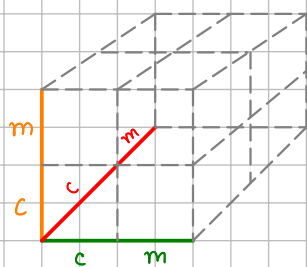
L group

## Self-interested agents

- Utility theory  $\rightarrow$  quantify preference
- utility function  $\rightarrow$  mapping world to numbers
- Example:



- Using Payoff Matrix



		Bob	
		club	movie
Carol	club	15	150
	movie	10	100

Alice = club

		Bob	
		club	movie
Carol	club	50	10
	movie	75	15

Alice = movie

Utility  $\equiv$  Preference

- Outcomes  $O = \{o_1, \dots, o_n\}$
- Preferences:  $o_1, o_2 \in O$ , let  $o_1 \succeq o_2$   
let  $o_1 \sim o_2$   
let  $o_1 \succ o_2$
- Lottery: probability distribution over  $O$

$$L = [p_1: o_1, \dots, p_k: o_k]$$

where  $o_i \in O$   
 $p_i \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^k p_i = 1$

## Completeness

$$\forall o_1, o_2, \quad o_1 \succ o_2 \text{ or } o_2 \succ o_1 \text{ or } o_1 \sim o_2$$

## Transitivity

$$\text{If } o_1 \succeq o_2 \text{ and } o_2 \succeq o_3 \text{ then } o_1 \succeq o_3$$

## Substitutability

$$\text{If } o_1 \sim o_2 \text{ then } [p: o_1, p_3: o_3, \dots, p_k: o_k] = [p: o_2, p_3: o_3, \dots, p_k: o_k]$$

## Monotonicity

## Continuity

## Decomposability

$$\text{If } \forall o_i \in O, p_{f_1}(o_i) = p_{f_2}(o_i) \text{ then } L_1 \sim L_2$$

## Normal form

### - TCP Dilemma

		colleague	
		correct	defective
me	correct	-1, -1	-4, 0
	defective	0, -4	-3, -3

$(N, A, u)$

Set of players indexed by  $i$  till  $n$

$A_1 \times \dots \times A_n$

$a = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in A$

$(u_1, \dots, u_n)$  where  $u_i: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

why  $a_n$ ? "n" means 4 or 9?

### Common-payoff games

$\forall a \in A_1 \times \dots \times A_n$  and  
 $i, j \in N$   
 $u_i(a) = u_j(a)$

	Quick	Slow
Quick	3, 3	2, 2
Slow	2, 2	1, 1

### Zero-sum games

$\exists c, \forall a \in A_1 \times A_2$   
 $u_1(a) + u_2(a) = c$

	Rock	Paper	Scissors
Rock	0, 0	-1, 1	1, -1
Paper	1, -1	0, 0	-1, 1
Scissors	-1, 1	1, -1	0, 0

### No-zero-sum games



## Strategies (NFG)

- Pure strategy  $\rightarrow$  single action
- Mixed strategy  $\rightarrow$  using the probability distribution  
let  $(N, A, u)$ ,  $s_i = \pi(A_i)$
- Mixed strategy profile  $\rightarrow s_1 \times \dots \times s_n$
- Support  $\rightarrow$  set of actions with positive probability over  $s_i$   
 $\{a_i \mid s_i(a_i) > 0\}$

Note: - Pure strategy  $\rightarrow$  support a single action  
- Fully mixed  $\rightarrow$  full support

### - Expected utility ?

$$u_i(s) = \sum_{a \in A} u_i(a) \prod_{j=1}^n s_j(a_j)$$

Not necessarily  
a "product"?

can I use this to  
obtain a probability?

Alice  $\begin{cases} \text{Home} \\ \text{Club} \\ \text{Movie} \end{cases}$

$\begin{cases} = 50 \\ = 51.75 \\ = 46.75 \end{cases}$

$s_i(a_i) \rightarrow$  Probability that  $a_i$   
is played under  $s_i$

Doesn't matter if they are  
good or no?

More notes:

- $|A| = |S|$
- $\{a_i$  contains utility  
 $\{s_i$  contains probability.
- $\{u_i(a)$  means "utility"  
 $\{u_i(s)$  means "utility expected"

From optimality to equilibrium → strategy? output? utility? probability?

- optimal strategy → maximize the agent's expected payoff  
Note: The best strategy depends on the choices of others

Pareto → Point of view of an outside observer

- Pareto domination:  $s \succsim s'$  if  $\forall i \in N, u_i(s) \geq u_i(s')$ , and  $\exists j \in N, u_j(s) > u_j(s')$
- Pareto optimality:  $\nexists s' \in S, s' \succ s$

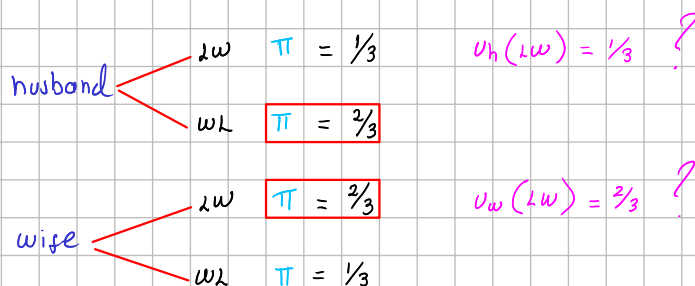
Equilibrium → Point of view of an individual agent

- Best response: → of player  $i$  of  $s_{-i}$  is a mixed strategy  $s_i^* \in S_i$  such that  $u_i(s_i^*, s_{-i}) \geq u_i(s_i, s_{-i})$  for all  $s_i \in S_i$

Note: this is not the concept of solution

- Nash equilibrium →  $s$  is a Nash equilibrium if  $\forall i \in N, s_i$  is the best response to  $s_{-i}$
- is strict if  $u_i(s_i, s_{-i}) > u_i(s'_i, s_{-i})$
- is weak if  $u_i(s_i, s_{-i}) \geq u_i(s'_i, s_{-i})$

		Husband	
		LW	WL
Wife	LW	2, 1	0, 0
	WL	0, 0	1, 2



Rationalizability

A strategy profile of a player  $i$  is rationalizable if it is a best response to some beliefs that  $i$  could have about the strategies that other players have.

→ or will take.

		Player 2	
		Head	Tail
Player 1	Head	1, -1	-1, 1
	Tail	-1, 1	1, -1

Maxmin strategy

think of the worst-case

$$\max_{s_i} \min_{s_{-i}} u_i(s_i, s_{-i})$$

#### 4 Computing

Nash equilibria two-player zero-sum games

Linear programming

Example:  $G = (\{1, 2\}, A_1 \times A_2, (u_1, u_2))$  Expected utility

$u_1^* = -u_2^*$  *Because is zero-sum games*

$$\sum_{k \in A_2} u_1(a_1^j, a_2^k) \cdot s_2^k \leq u_1^*$$

$\rightarrow$  constant

$$\sum_{k \in A_2} u_1(a_1^j, a_2^k) \cdot s_2^k + r_1^j = u_1^*$$

$$\sum_{k \in A_2} s_2^k = 1, s_2^k \geq 0$$

Because there are probabilities.

$$\sum_{k \in A_2} s_2^k = 1, s_2^k \geq 0, r_1^j \geq 0$$

Rock-Paper-Scissors

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	Rock	Mix (25%)	Paper	Mix (25%)	Scissors	Mix (50%)
Rock	0, 0	0.25	-1, 1	-0.25	1, -1	0
Mix (50%)	0					$-50\%(0) + 25\%(1) + 25\%(-1) = 0$
Paper	1, -1		0, 0		-1, 1	
Mix (25%)	-0.25					$-50\%(-1) + 25\%(0) + 25\%(1) = -0.25$
Scissors	-1, 1		1, -1		0, 0	
Mix (25%)	0.25					$-50\%(1) + 25\%(-1) + 25\%(0) = -0.25$
						$25\%(0) + 25\%(-1) + 50\%(1) = 0.25$
						$25\%(1) + 25\%(0) + 50\%(-1) = -0.25$
						$25\%(1) + 25\%(-1) + 50\%(0) = 0$

Heads and tails

which value usually is posted when it is written just one?

	Heads	Tails	P, 1-P
Heads	1, -1	-1, 1	$2P - 1$
Tails	-1, 1	1, -1	$1 - 2P$
q, 1-q	$1 - 2q$	$2q - 1$	

$P(1) + (1-P)(-1) = P - 1 + P = 2P - 1$   
 $P(-1) + (1-P)(1) = -P + 1 - P = 1 - 2P$   
 $q(1) + (1-q)(-1) = q - 1 + q = 2q - 1$   
 $q(-1) + (1-q)(1) = -q + 1 - q = 1 - 2q$

Is for column or for row?

what values refers to?  
(orange or greens)  
(columns or rows)

$$P = 0.7$$

$$2(0.7) - 1 = 1.4 - 1 = 0.4$$

$$1 - 2(0.7) = 1 - 1.4 = -0.6$$

	Heads 20%	Tails 80%	Expected Payoff
Heads 70%	-1	1	0.6
Tails 30%	1	-1	-0.6
Expected Payoff	-0.4	0.4	

$$20\%(-1) + 80\%(1) = -0.2 + 0.8 = 0.6$$

$$20\%(1) + 80\%(-1) = 0.2 + -0.8 = -0.6$$

$$70\%(-1) + 30\%(1) = -0.7 + 0.3 = -0.4$$

$$70\%(1) + 30\%(-1) = 0.7 + -0.3 = 0.4$$

Orange wins when =  
Green wins when ≠

Orange should play Heads! isn't it?  
However, it is opposite to the logic!

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Other example:

	R	P <sub>2</sub>	P <sub>3</sub>
x <sub>1</sub> 0.5	→ -2	1	2
x <sub>2</sub> 0.5	→ 2	-1	0
x <sub>3</sub> 0.0	→ 1	0	-2

0 0 1

$$-2(0.5) + 2(0.5) + 1(0) = 0$$

$$1(0.5) + -1(0.5) + 0(0) = 0$$

$$2(0.5) + 0(0.5) + -2(0) = 1$$

$$\rightarrow P_1 = -2x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3$$

$$P_2 = x_1 - x_2$$

$$P_3 = 2x_1 - 2x_3$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$$

$$z = \min \{P_1, P_2, P_3\}$$

$$z \leq -2x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3$$

$$z \leq x_1 - x_2$$

$$z \leq 2x_1 - 2x_3$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$$

	25%	50%	25%	
	R	S	P	
50% R	0	1	-1	0.25
25% S	-1	0	1	0
25% P	1	-1	0	-0.25
0	0.25	-0.25	0.0625	0.0625
0.5(0) + 0.25(-1) + 0.25(1)	= 0			
0.5(-1) + 0.25(0) + 0.25(1)	= 0.25			
0.5(1) + 0.25(-1) + 0.25(0)	= -0.25			

Best is <

Best is >

	P <sub>1</sub>	P <sub>2</sub>	P <sub>3</sub>
q <sub>1</sub>	-2	1	2
q <sub>2</sub>	2	-1	0
q <sub>3</sub>	1	0	-2

$$P_1 = -2q_1 + 2q_2 + 1q_3 = q_3 - 2(q_1 - q_2)$$

$$P_2 = 1q_1 - 1q_2 + 0q_3 = q_1 - q_2$$

$$P_3 = 2q_1 + 0q_2 - 2q_3 = 2(q_1 - q_3)$$

$$q_1 + q_2 + q_3 = 1$$

$$q_1, q_2, q_3 \geq 0$$

$$z = \min \{P_1, P_2, P_3\}$$

$$z \leq q_3 - 2(q_1 - q_2)$$

$$z \leq q_1 - q_2$$

$$z \leq 2(q_1 - q_3)$$

$$q_1 + q_2 + q_3 = 1$$

$$q_1, q_2, q_3 \geq 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} z \leq q_3 - 2(q_1 - q_2)$$

$$\textcircled{2} z \leq q_1 - q_2$$

$$\textcircled{3} z \leq 2(q_1 - q_3)$$

$$\textcircled{4} q_1 + q_2 + q_3 = 1$$

$$\textcircled{5} q_1, q_2, q_3 \geq 0$$

$$\textcircled{4} q_1 = 1 - q_2 - q_3$$

$$\textcircled{4} \textcircled{1} z \leq q_3 - 2(1 - q_2 - q_3 - q_2)$$

$$z \leq q_3 - 2 + 4q_2 + 2q_3$$

$$\textcircled{6} z \leq 3q_3 + 4q_2 - 2$$

$$\textcircled{4} \textcircled{2} z \leq 1 - q_2 - q_3 - q_2$$

$$\textcircled{7} z \leq 1 - q_3 - 2q_2$$

$$\textcircled{4} \textcircled{3} z \leq 2(1 - q_2 - q_3 - q_3)$$

$$\textcircled{8} z \leq 2 - 4q_3 - 2q_2$$

$$\textcircled{7} \textcircled{6} 1 - q_3 - 2q_2 \leq 3q_3 + 4q_2 - 2$$

$$-q_3 - 3q_3 \leq 4q_2 + 2q_2 - 2 - 1$$

$$-4q_3 \leq 6q_2 - 3$$

$$\textcircled{9} q_3 \leq -\frac{6}{4}q_2 + \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\textcircled{7} \textcircled{8} 1 - q_3 - 2q_2 \leq 2 - 4q_3 - 2q_2$$

$$4q_3 - q_3 \leq 2q_2 - 2q_2 + 2 - 1$$

$$3q_3 \leq 1$$

$$\textcircled{10} q_3 \leq \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\textcircled{9} \textcircled{10} -\frac{6}{4}q_2 + \frac{3}{4} \leq \frac{1}{3}$$

$$-\frac{6}{4}q_2 \leq \frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{4}$$

$$-\frac{6}{4}q_2 \leq -\frac{5}{12}$$

$$q_2 \leq \frac{5}{12} \cdot \frac{4}{6}$$

$$q_2 \leq \frac{20}{72}$$

$$\textcircled{11} q_2 \leq \frac{5}{18}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \textcircled{11} \textcircled{10} q_1 = 1 - \frac{5}{18} - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\textcircled{12} q_1 = \frac{7}{18}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \textcircled{11} \textcircled{12} z \leq \frac{7}{18} - \frac{5}{18}$$

$$z \leq \frac{2}{18}$$

$$\textcircled{12} q_1 = \frac{7}{18}$$

$$\textcircled{11} q_2 = \frac{5}{18}$$

$$\textcircled{10} q_3 = \frac{6}{18}$$

## Two players general-sum

One player is not trying to minimize the other's utility.

NP-complete

PPAD Polynomial Parity argument, Directed version

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feasibility program rather than optimization problem

LCP Linear Complementary Problem

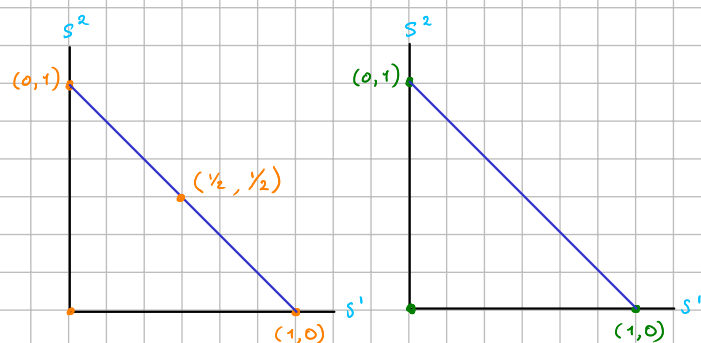
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$$\sum_{k \in A_1} u_2(a_1^k, a_2^k) \cdot s_1^k + r_2^k = U_2^*$$

$$\sum_{k \in A_2} s_2^k = 1, s_2^k \geq 0, r_1^j \geq 0$$

$$\sum_{j \in A_1} s_1^j = 1, s_1^j \geq 0, r_2^k \geq 0$$

$$r_1^j \cdot s_1^j = 0, r_2^k \cdot s_2^k = 0$$



Lemke-Howson algorithm

Example

0,1	6,0	0
2,0	5,2	$\frac{1}{3}$
3,4	3,3	$\frac{2}{3}$
$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	