

# Algorithmic Game Theory

## Assignment 9

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1. Suppose we have at least 2 players. Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be the set of social choice functions implementable by a direct mechanism in dominant strategy equilibrium and  $\mathcal{Y}$  the set of social choice functions implementable by an indirect mechanism in dominant strategy equilibrium. Then, which one of the following is true?

- (a)  $\mathcal{X} \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (b)  $\mathcal{Y} \subsetneq \mathcal{X}$
- (c)  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y}$
- (d)  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y} = \emptyset$

The correct answer is (c). Refer to Lecture 9.2.

2. Suppose we have at least 2 players. Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be the set of social choice functions implementable by a direct mechanism in Bayesian Nash equilibrium and  $\mathcal{Y}$  the set of social choice functions implementable by an indirect mechanism in Bayesian Nash equilibrium. Then, which one of the following is true?

- (a)  $\mathcal{X} \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (b)  $\mathcal{Y} \subsetneq \mathcal{X}$
- (c)  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y}$
- (d)  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y} = \emptyset$

The correct answer is (c). Refer to Lecture 9.2.

3. Suppose we have at least 2 players. Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be the set of social choice functions implementable by an indirect mechanism in dominant strategy equilibrium and  $\mathcal{Y}$  the set of social choice functions implementable by an indirect mechanism in Bayesian Nash equilibrium. Then, which one of the following is true?

- (a)  $\mathcal{X} \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (b)  $\mathcal{Y} \subsetneq \mathcal{X}$
- (c)  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y}$
- (d)  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y} = \emptyset$

The correct answer is (a). Refer to Lecture 9.1.

4. Suppose we have at least 2 players. Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be the set of social choice functions implementable by an indirect mechanism in dominant strategy equilibrium and  $\mathcal{Y}$  the set of social choice functions implementable by a direct mechanism in Bayesian Nash equilibrium. Then, which one of the following is true?

- (a)  $\mathcal{X} \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (b)  $\mathcal{Y} \subsetneq \mathcal{X}$
- (c)  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y}$
- (d)  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y} = \emptyset$

The correct answer is (a). Refer to Lecture 9.1 and 9.2.

5. Suppose we have at least 2 players. Let  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $\mathcal{Y}$ , and  $\mathcal{Z}$  be the set of all social choice functions which are respectively ex-post individually rational, interim individually rational, and ex-ante individually rational. Then, which one of the following is true?

- (a)  $\mathcal{X} \subsetneq \mathcal{Y} \subsetneq \mathcal{Z}$
- (b)  $\mathcal{X} \supsetneq \mathcal{Y} \supsetneq \mathcal{Z}$
- (c)  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y} = \mathcal{Z}$
- (d)  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Z} = \mathcal{Y}$

The correct answer is (a). Refer to Lecture 9.3.

6. Suppose we have at least 2 players. Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be the set of all respectively unanimous and onto social choice functions. Then, which one of the following is true?

- (a)  $\mathcal{X} \supsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (b)  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y}$
- (c)  $\mathcal{X} \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (d)  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y} = \emptyset$

The correct answer is (c). Refer to Lecture 9.4.

7. Suppose we have at least 2 players. Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be the set of all respectively unanimous and ex-post efficient social choice functions. Then, which one of the following is true?

- (a)  $\mathcal{X} \supsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (b)  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y}$
- (c)  $\mathcal{X} \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (d)  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y} = \emptyset$

The correct answer is (c). Refer to Lecture 9.4.

8. Suppose we have at least 2 players. Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be the set of all respectively dictatorship and ex-post efficient social choice functions. Then, which one of the following is true?

- (a)  $\mathcal{X} \supsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (b)  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y}$
- (c)  $\mathcal{X} \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (d)  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y} = \emptyset$

The correct answer is (d). Refer to Lecture 9.4.

9. Suppose we have at least 2 players. Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be the set of all respectively dictatorship and unanimous social choice functions. Then, which one of the following is true?

- (a)  $\mathcal{X} \supsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (b)  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y}$
- (c)  $\mathcal{X} \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (d)  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y} = \emptyset$

The correct answer is (d). Refer to Lecture 9.4.

10. Suppose we have only 1 player. Let  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  be the set of all respectively dictatorship and ex-post efficient social choice functions. Then, which one of the following is true?

- (a)  $\mathcal{X} \supsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (b)  $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{Y}$
- (c)  $\mathcal{X} \subsetneq \mathcal{Y}$
- (d)  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y} = \emptyset$

The correct answer is (b). Refer to Lecture 9.4.