

1. 4 facts
2. 3-axes → communication
3. **CSCW**
4. N-cliques → why N
5. clique-overlap
6. can you solve $G(V, E)$ cliques efficiently?
7. SPB → δ_{ab} explain
8. Stress... → α_{ab}
9. **what's the difference between Game & Decision theory**
10. NE → under condition
11. what is AUs
12. different types of silence
13. GMM
14. greedy
15. fuzzy-c-mean
16. single/complete linkage
17. feedback centrality
18. differential attachment
19. **difference between facial detection and facial recognition**
20. **Authority and Hub**
21. **Homophily**

Social Games





















- Name two scientific methodologies that ludologists may use! Name four scientific fields that make contributions to ludology!
 - Empirical 經驗 & Deductive 演繹
 - Economy & Informatics & Psychology & Arts
- Name four characteristics of “play” following Huizinga or Caillois!
 - Free
 - outside “ordinary” life, as being “not serious”
 - fixed rules
 - formation of social groupings
- Briefly explain the classes Agon, Alea, Mimicry and Illinx in Caillois’ taxonomy of play and games!
 - Agon → Competition
 - Not regulated → Racing, Wrestling, Etc.
 - In general → Contest, Sports
 - Alea → Chance
 - counting-out, rhymes, Heads or tails
 - simple, complex, continuing, lotteries
 - Mimicry → Simulation
 - Children’s initiations, Game of illusion, Tag, Arms, Masks
 - Theater, Spectacles in general
 - Illinx → Vertigo
 - Children’s “whirling”, horseback riding, swinging
- Salen and Zimmerman state: “Games are a subset of play. Play is an element of games” Briefly discuss the meaning and difficulties of that definition!
 - play (Activity) → Formalized interaction when players follow the rules of a game and experience its system through play
 - game (Activity or Object)→ Is a **system**, in which **players engage** in
- Salen and Zimmerman define:

“A game is a system in which players engage in an artificial conflict, defined by rules, that results in a quantifiable outcome.”

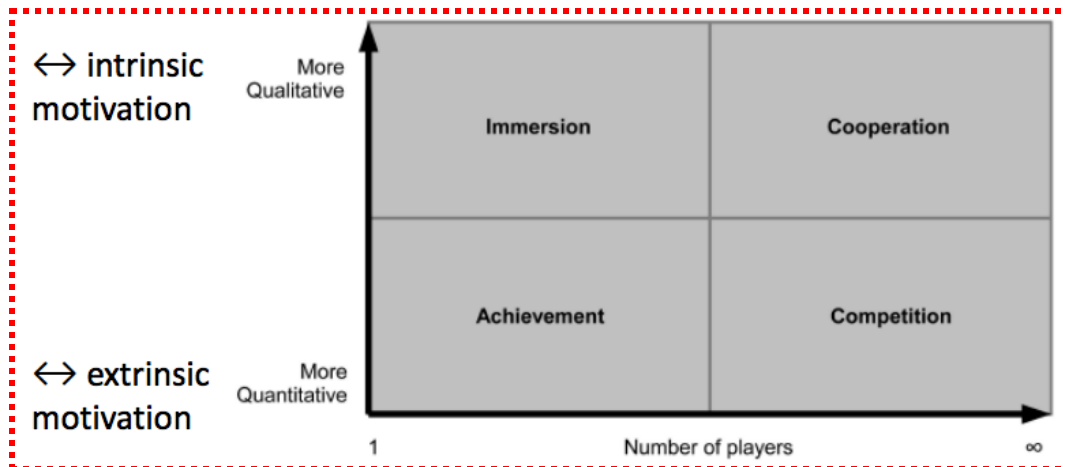
Discuss the limits of this definition!

 - systems that **build behavior via interaction**
 - emergent property of the game as defined by its rules
 - what about the **digital games**?

- What do Salen and Zimmerman understand by “transformative social play”?
 - “In transformative social play players extend, transform, and manipulate existing social relationships through play itself”
- Characterization of player types: explain the lusory attitudes of the five player types of Salen and Zimmerman: Standard Player, Dedicated Player, Unsportsmanlike Player, Cheating Player, Spoil-Sport!
 - **Standard** : follows rules
 - **Dedicated** : follows rules but unusual strategies
 - **Unsportsmanlike** : follows rules but violates spirit of lusory attitude
 - **Cheating** : violates rules to win
 - **Spoil-Sport** : violates rules, doesn't care at all
- Give your own definition of “Game Mechanics” considering the definitions by Hunicke, Järvinen, Sicart or Dormans!
 - “are the various **actions behaviors and control mechanisms** afforded to the player within a game context. together with the game's **content(levels, assets and ...)** the mechanics support overall gameplay dynamics”
- Briefly characterize Casual Games as one of four types of games discussed!
 - four types : Hardcore, Casual, Pervasive, Serious
 - Casual →
 - instant play → easy to learn
 - quick play → do not require much time to play to get pleasure
 - common play → address a vast majority of player types
- Name and briefly characterize two classes of Casual Games!
 - **meta-types** : online(primary), social(primary), mobile
 - **constant development** e.g. via user feedback possible and good practice
- Reasonably characterize the four types of games {Hardcore, Casual, Pervasive, Serious} in terms of the five meta-types of games {Simulation, On-Line, Social, Mobile, Location-based} in a table!

	Hardcore	Casual	Pervasive	Serious
Simulation				
On-line				
Social				
Mobile				
Location-based				

- What are advantages when characterizing game genres in terms of elements of game mechanics compared to characterizing game genres in terms of ludological genre frameworks?
 - genre classification is based on game mechanics: “genre is defined by a shared collection of core mechanisms”
 - similar to ludological genre frameworks
 - **genres == set of game mechanics**
 - **additive** : new mechanics can be added without changing older parts
 - **new genres easy** : new combinations / sets
- Maslov’s Need Hierarchy contains the levels Physiological, Safety, Belonging-Love, Self-Esteem, Self-Actualization. Which levels do Games and Social Media contribute to? Give a brief explanation!
 - Self Esteem level
 - Belonging Love level (\longleftrightarrow social game)
- Briefly explain Radoff’s Player Motivations diagram!



- social \rightarrow more powerful motivators : acceptance or status
- Provide three examples of rewards systems and briefly explain their nature and motivational function and characterize them in terms of Wang and Sun’s four characteristics of reward (**social value, effect on game play, suitability for collection and review, time required to earn / receive the award**)!
 - score systems
 - experience point reward systems
 - item granting systems reward

Social Media

- Define “Social Media Service” and “Social Media Platform”!
 - Social Media Service : Web-based service, in the sense of SOA supporting (direct and indirect) social interaction (especially communication) via the generation and exchange of large amounts of content by a broad (compared to the number and nature of Internet users), non-IT-specialist set of users.
 - Social Media Platform : “functionally coherent bundle of Social Media services” (distinction service ↔ platform often not totally sharp) + commonly accessible, sufficiently widespread, distributed, functionally coherent bundle of network technologies on which it operates.
- **Characterization of Social Media services in terms of the supported forms of communication: Name and define four different characteristics (axes)!**
 - **Cardinality** of persons involved in a typical communication act **{1:1, 1:n, m:n}**
 - **Directedness** → **{direct, indirect}** → specific dedicated receive / list of receivers vs. open set of receiver, possibly formally or informally constrained e.g. via certain properties
 - **Anonymity** → **{non-anonymous, anonymous}** → the identity of the sender(s) is or is not known to the receiver(s)
 - **Content** → **{textual, graphical, video, contextual (locations, social relations, user-item-relations etc.)}**
- Social Semantic Web: What is the nature and function of OWL, SIOC and OPO?
 - OWL → semantic web languages
 - SIOC → semantically-interlinked online communities
 - enable the integration of online community information
 - provides a Semantic Web ontology for representing rich data from the Social Web in RDF
 - OPO → online presence ontology
 - enable the integration and exchange of Online Presence related data
 - representing rich data about online presence in RDF
- What are reasonable classes of Context in Social Networking and Mobile Social Networking? Briefly explain!
 - computing, user, physical, temporal
 - identity, location, status

- Social Networks: What information can be modeled in edge profiles? Three coarse classes of Social Media: briefly characterize Awareness (Contextual) services!
 - **inform** users about **events or states** directly linked with other users that fulfill certain(contextual) criteria, proactively or on request
 - **manage** contextual data (social network, privacy setting)
 - primary form of **content**: contextual information
 - typical **form of communication**: 1:n and m:n ; indirect ; non-anonymous ; non-threaded ; contextual
 - **example sub-class**: location-based awareness services
- What are main differences between Blogs and Microblogs?
 - supported typical **communication form**
 - **Blog** → 1:n, indirect, non-anonymous, non-threaded, textual (+ photos), desktop or laptop, discrete transfer, noncommercial
 - **Microblogs** → 1:n; indirect (and also direct), non-anonymous, non-threaded, short textual, mobile, discrete transfer, non-commercial
- Define “Social Game”!
 - commonly refers to playing games as a way of social interaction, as opposed to playing games in solitude.
- Briefly discuss the validity for Social Media of the following defining aspects of “play” or characterizations of some forms of “play”:
 - ‘outside ordinary life, not serious (Huizinga)’,
 - SM is not “outside ordinary life”, but rather outside many aspects of “serious” life . SM seen as communication support cross divisional role of SM
 - ‘unproductive’ (Caillios),
 - must be negated for knowledge codification, collaboration classes etc.
 - having ‘rules’ (Huizinga and others),
 - rules of social interaction, emergent special rules of SM (e.g. “netiquette”)
 - ‘transformative social play’ (salen and Zimmerman)
 - many examples for transformative use in SM

- Name and briefly explain three common aspects of Social Games and Social Media!
 - mostly “outside” serious life, **leisure time oriented** → but both: increasingly many “**serious forms**”
 - **communication** as important element
 - defined set of **rules**
 - **emergent** mechanics & dynamics; transformative use
 - **transmedial** access patterns, blurring: real world ↔ virtual world
 - complex game worlds ↔ social information spaces
 - parallels in aspects of **motivation**, flow
 - one often the “**host**” of the other (e.g. in Social Networking games)

- Name and briefly explain three characteristics of Social Networking!
 - **Social Media services** → users socially interact using bundle of Social Media services (direct communication, information, awareness)
 - users have **Personal information spaces** → sets of items associated with users that they exert control over or whose relations (user-item) they exert control over
 - a user has **Personal profile**: publicly accessible sub-space of p.i.s.: used as personal reference: for introducing a person or used as reference point for SN services (e.g. awareness services)

- Define Mobile Social Networking!
 - comparable to social networking with an emphasis on mobile usage, contextual content elements and context awareness of services

Social Network Analysis → Centrality

- Directed graph with edge semantics (a) „a votes for b“ or (b) „a has convinced b“: What type of degree based centrality measure can be applied in case (a), what type in case (b)? (just note the two, no explanation required)
 - (a) „a votes for b“ → Winner “most central node” : node with most incoming edges (highest in-degree) → Degree Centrality
 - (b) „a has convinced b“ → Variant (influence network) → node with large out-degree is central
- Explain the expression $c(u) = 1/e(u) = 1/\max\{d(u,v):v \text{ belongs } V\}$ for eccentricity-based centrality! (2-3 short sentences)
 - center of a graph → set of all nodes with minimum eccentricity
 - nodes in the center of the graph have maximal centrality
- Give the mathematical definition for closeness centrality and motivate it in one sentence referring to the Minisum problem!
 - find nodes whose sum of distances to other nodes is minimal (→ service facility location problem) : For all u minimize total sum of minimal distance $\sum_{v \in V} d(u,v)$
- Using the following two graphs as examples, motivate an advantage of Shortest Path Betweenness centrality $c(v) = \sum \sum (\delta_{ab}(v))$ compared to simple Stress centrality $c(v) = \sum \sum (\alpha_{ab}(v))$
 - Simple Stress centrality $c(v) = \sum \sum (\alpha_{ab}(v))$
 - Shortest Path Betweenness centrality $c(v) = \sum \sum (\delta_{ab}(v))$
 - Interpretation: Control that v exerts on the communication in the graph
 - **applicable to disconnected graphs**
 - variational ways regarding the path between a & b
- Give a mathematical definition for general Vitality! What is the basic intuition behind the vitality type of centrality indices? (1 sentence)
 - **Intuition:** Measure importance of vertex (or edge) by the difference of a given quality measure q on G with or without the vertex (edge):
 - Vitality $v(x)$ of graph element x : $v(x) = q(G) - q(G \setminus \{x\})$
- Give a reason to use flow-based centrality measures instead of shortest-paths-based centralities! (1 sentence)
 - major critique w.r.t. spb: resources (information, goods, work, rumors etc.) do not flow along shortest paths only.

- Newman's Random Walk Betweenness Centrality: We know that the transition matrix with column t removed is defined as $M_t = A_t * (D_t)^{-1}$. What is the probability that (starting at node s) we arrive after r steps in node j and then transition to node i immediately afterwards?

- for a walk starting at s , the probability that we find ourselves at vertex j after r steps is given by $[M_t^r]_{js}$
- probability that we then take a step to an adjacent vertex i is $k_j^{-1} [M_t^r]_{js}$.

- Derive an expression for the the total number of times V we hit the graph's nodes when doing a random walk starting at s and ending at t !

$$k_j^{-1} [(I - M_t)^{-1}]_{js}.$$

$$\rightarrow V = D_t^{-1} \cdot (I - M_t)^{-1} \cdot s = (D_t - A_t)^{-1} \cdot s.$$

- State the general idea of the family of feedback centrality measures! (1 sentence)

- page rank like indices
- node is more central the more central its neighbors are

- Prove that for a random surfer model with adjacency matrix A and Markov transition matrix $t_{ij} = (A_{ij}) / (\deg(i)) \Rightarrow (\deg(i)) / \text{sum}(\deg(v))$ is the stationary distribution!

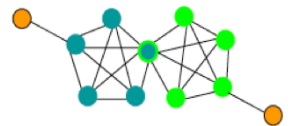
- Stationary distributions degree centrality: Assume undirected, unweighted graph with adjacency matrix A ; we have then:

$$t_{ij} = \frac{A_{ij}}{\deg(i)} \Rightarrow \pi_i = \frac{\deg(i)}{\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v)}$$

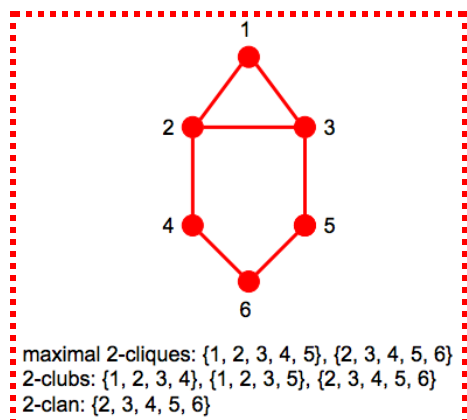
$$\text{Proof: } (\pi T)_j = \sum_{i \in V} \pi_i t_{ij} = \frac{\sum_{i \in V} \deg(i) t_{ij}}{\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v)} = \frac{\sum_{i \in V} A_{ij}}{\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v)} = \frac{\deg(j)}{\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v)} = \pi_j$$

Social Network Analysis → Dense Subnetworks

- In how far can Emergence as a point of view mediate between individualistic and collectivistic points of view when investigating groups? (2 -3 sentences)
- Nominate two characteristics of small groups!
 - number of group members <20
 - friends clique
- What are quasi groups? (1 sentence)
 - profile clusters only
- Is a (Web-)community a group in the sociological sense? Give one supporting argument and one counter-argument!
 - Community : “A set of people which have a high degree of community-awareness, communicate with other members via electronic media, and have a common pursuit which can be identified with the pursuit to collaboratively build up a thematically focused, information or knowledge-space. This collaborative information- or knowledge-space (CIKS) predominantly contains semi-formal, implicit, “warm” information or knowledge with a strong emphasis on textual form”
 - Compare from community Platform characteristics & detail a More loosely defined compared to sociological definition; rather a “large group!”
- Can cliques overlap? Explain Your answer briefly!
 - Yes! If Graph is dense → cliques exist
→ If $|E| > |V|^2/2 (k-2)/(k-1)$ then G contains a clique of size k
 - Usually many different maximal cliques exist in a graph; they can overlap without being identical



- Given the following definitions for alternative prototypes
 - U is N-clique iff $\forall u, v \in U : \text{dist}_G(u, v) \leq N$
 - U is N-club iff $\text{diam}(G[U]) \leq N$
 - U is N-clan iff U is maximal N-clique and $\text{diam}(G[U]) \leq N$
- Name all N-cliques, N-clubs, N-clans in the following graph!: p.17



- Explain why N-cliques do not have to be connected!
 - Since dist is evaluated w.r.t. to G and not $G([U])$ (thus N-cliques are not local structures), N-cliques need not even be connected and can have a diameter $\text{diam}(G([U]) > N$
- Are N-clubs closed under exclusion and are they nested? Explain briefly!
 - Small distances are characteristic even for large social networks (cmp. 6 degrees) a N-cliques, N-clubs, and N-clans may **not be socially meaningful as groups** but may spheres (e.g. regarding information flows) → These constructs are **not generally closed under exclusion** and are **not nested** (socially meaning characteristics that cliques possess)
- What are considerations when choosing N if N-cliques are used as prototypes for social groups in a social network? (1-2 sentences)
 - small N is not meaningful
 - however its hard to find large N
- Is the problem „Find the size k of a maximum clique of an undirected graph G “ efficiently solvable? (1-2 sentences (informal explanation))
 - **Probably not:** The decision problem $\text{CLIQUE}(G,k)$: “Has G a clique of size at least k ” is **NP complete**. (Solving the decision problem in time $T(|V|)$ would yield an alg for determining the maximal k in $O(T(|V|) \log(|V|))$ via binary search.

Social Network Analysis → Graph Clustering

- State the central paradigm for formulating a quality measure for clustering (target function for optimization)! (in words)
 - Quality measure:** Objective function $A(G) \in \mathbb{R}$ that formalizes the clustering paradigm in a special way
 - $G = (V, E, w)$: **Weight function** $w: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is interpreted as “**similarity**” (higher weights correspond to more intense tie); also possible: negative weights = dissimilarity; or $w: E \rightarrow [0, 1]$ or $w: E \rightarrow [-1, 1]$ etc.
 - Distinguish** between no edge and edge with weight zero;
 - Notation:** $w(E) = \sum_{e \in E} w(e)$
- Coverage is defined as $\gamma(C) = \frac{w(E(C))}{w(E)} = \frac{\sum_{e \in E(C)} w(e)}{\sum_{e \in E} w(e)}$. State a main disadvantage of using $f(C) = \gamma(C)$ in a quality measure for clustering! (1 – 2 sentences)
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- Explain the pragmatics of the following two conductance based quality measures! (1-2 sentences each)

First measure: $g=0$ and $f(C) = \min_{1 \leq i \leq k} \phi(G[C_i])$

Second measure: $f=0$ and

$$g(C) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } C = \{V\} \\ 1 - \max_{1 \leq i \leq k} \phi(C_i, V \setminus C_i) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- First measure:
 - If the measure is small:** At least one of the clusters (more precisely: the induced subgraph) contains at least one bottleneck. This cluster is too coarse. Use minimum conductance cut to cut this cluster in “halves”.
 - From theorem before:** Only clusterings where the clusters induce subgraphs that are stars or have size at most three have $f=1$ (f is called intra cluster conductance).
- Second measure:
 - If the measure is small:** At least one of the clusters (more precisely: the induced subgraph) has many connections to outside. The clustering is too fine. Merge clusters.
 - From theorem before:** Only clusterings that have inter cluster edge weight zero have $g=1$ (g is called inter cluster conductance).

- Explain the pragmatics of the quality measure Performance! (2 sentences)

$$f(\mathbf{C}) = \sum_{i=1}^k |E(C_i)|$$

$$g(\mathbf{C}) = \sum_{u,v \in V} [(u,v) \notin E] * [u \in C_i, v \in C_j, i \neq j]$$

- Main idea: Clustering paradigm Count “correctly classified pairs of nodes”. A pair of nodes is correctly classified if:
 - It is in the same cluster AND connected by an edge f counts the number of edges within clusters
 - If it is not in the same cluster AND not connected by an edge g counts the number of non-existent edges between clusters

- In case a density measure π on graphs is available, a quality function can be constructed

by pessimistically setting worst case: $\min_i \{\pi(G[C_1]), \dots, \pi(G[C_k])\}$

- (a) **What are analogous expressions for average case and best case (optimistic**

view)?

$$\text{average case: } \frac{1}{k} \sum_i \pi(G[C_i])$$

$$\text{best case: } \max_i \{\pi(G[C_1]), \dots, \pi(G[C_k])\}$$

- (b) Suggest a simple density measure π on graphs!

- (c) **Explain in 1-2 sentences why finding π is easy if an embedding of the graph into a metric space is known!**

- Informally explain the difference between Linkage-based (Agglomerative) and Splitting-based (Divisive) hierarchical clustering! (1-2 sentences)
 - Linkage (Agglomeration):** Iteratively coarsens a given clustering by merging two clusters until 1-clustering is reached (“bottom up”)
 - Splitting (Division):** Iteratively refines a given clustering by splitting one cluster until singleton clustering is reached (“top down”).

- Explain the difference between Complete Linkage and Single Linkage by stating the local cost functions for both cases and giving 1 sentence of explanation!**

- Variants / realizations of Linkage:
 - Let $d(u,v)$ denote the minimal path length between nodes u and v then local cost function:

$$c_{local}(C_i, C_j) = \begin{matrix} \max \\ \min \end{matrix} \{d(u, v) \mid u \in C_i, v \in C_j\}$$

Complete Linkage
Single Linkage

- Variant of the Single Linkage and Complete Linkage Algorithm for weighted graphs (large weight == nodes are strongly related (“close”)) using threshold graphs

- What is the benefit of a cut-function when using Splitting-based (Divisive) hierarchical clustering? (1-2 sentences)
 - cut function avoids having to test all possible splits
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- Newman – Girvan method: Explain Modularity! (2-3 sentence)

$$Q = \sum_i (e_{ii} - a_i^2) = \text{Tr } \mathbf{e} - \|\mathbf{e}^2\|$$

- intra cluster coherence (f) cluster validity measure (g=0) to optimally cut dendrogram
 - p.41

Data Mining → Metric Clustering

- Explain briefly the following three characterizations for clustering-approaches / methods:
 - exclusive vs. non-exclusive
 - Exclusive → non overlapping clusters
 - non-exclusive → overlapping clusters
 - crisp vs. fuzzy
 - Crisp clusterings → Conventional characteristic functions α_k for each Cluster C_k
 - Fuzzy clustering → fuzzy membership function α_k for each Cluster C_k (p.7)
 - hierarchical vs. non-hierarchical
 - Hierarchical clustering imposes a tree structure (Dendrogram) on the C_k where an edge $C_i - C'_j$ implies $C_i \subset C'_j$;
- The local cost functions for Single Linkage (min) and Complete Linkage (max) are defined as $c_{local}(C_i, C_j) = \frac{\max}{\min} \{d(u, v) \mid u \in C_i, v \in C_j\}$ where $d(u, v)$ denotes the length of the shortest path between nodes u and v . State the analogous local cost functions if nodes correspond to pattern vectors x_u and x_v in \mathbb{R}^n !
 - Completely analogous to graph clustering case: Start with singletons and on each level of the dendrogram merge two clusters with minimal distance (cost)

• Single link:

$$d(C_{k_1}, C_{k_2}) = \min_{\{n_1, n_2 \mid x_{n_1} \in C_{k_1} \wedge x_{n_2} \in C_{k_2}\}} \|x_{n_1} - x_{n_2}\|$$

• Complete link:

$$d(C_{k_1}, C_{k_2}) = \max_{\{n_1, n_2 \mid x_{n_1} \in C_{k_1} \wedge x_{n_2} \in C_{k_2}\}} \|x_{n_1} - x_{n_2}\|$$

- K-means clustering:

- (a) Define an objective function (cluster quality index) for K-means!

- Optimize intra cluster coherence:
- Describe cluster C_k by prototype μ_k ; prototype need not be an actual pattern (If so, algorithm works with slight modifications as well)
- Determine cluster for each pattern x_n by nearest neighbour rule:

$$\mathcal{C}(x_n) = k_a \leftrightarrow \|x_n - \mu_{k_a}\| = \min_i \|x_n - \mu_k\|$$

- (b) What is the resulting simple expression for the prototypes μ_k ?

- Find prototypes by optimizing objective function modeling intra cluster coherence as mean square error

$$J_{SQE} = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{\{n|x_n \in C_k\}} \|x_n - \mu_k\|^2$$

$$\frac{dJ_{SQE}}{d\mu_k} \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \implies \mu^k = \frac{1}{|C_k|} \sum_{\{n|x_n \in C_k\}} x_n$$

→ cluster prototypes are barycenters („centers of gravity“) of their clusters

- State and explain two advantages of DBSCAN (compared to K-Means)! (1 sentence each)

- favors spherical clusters → arbitrarily shaped clusters
- need to know K → We do not need to know K in advance
- no notion of noise → notion of noise

- Fuzzy C-Means:

- What is the range of values of the entries membership matrix r_{nk} compared to K-means? p.18

- **Fuzzyness-parameter m in the objective function: Informally: what happens in the limits $m \rightarrow 1$ and $m \rightarrow \infty$? (no full mathematical derivation necessary!)**

- $m \rightarrow 1$: K-Means (crisp case);
- $m \rightarrow \infty$: $r_{nk} = 1/K$ (where K is the number of clusters)

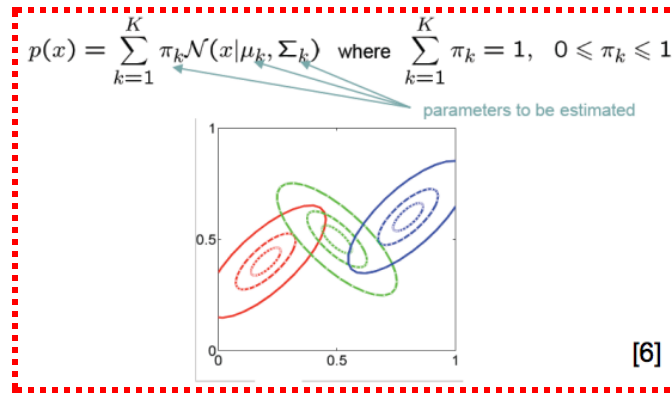
- Explain the pragmatics behind the additional conditions

$$\forall x_n : \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k(x_n) = \sum_{k=1}^K r_{nk} = 1$$

$$\forall C_k : \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha_k(x_n) = \sum_{n=1}^N r_{nk} > 0$$

optimization for the object function!

- What are advantages of Gaussian Mixture Models compared to Fuzzy C-Means? Informally explain the nature and geometrical interpretation of the GMM quantities μ_k and Σ_k !



- What is the paradigm of the „Maximum Likelihood concept“?
 - finding the Θ that best explains the data
 - Maximum Likelihood: $\Theta_{ML} = \text{argmax}_{\Theta} p(X|\Theta) \Rightarrow \nabla_{\Theta} p(X|\Theta) = 0$
- What does „iid“ mean? What are the consequences here? Can You point them out in an expression on these slides?
 - iid: „identically independently drawn“ $\Rightarrow p(X|\Theta) = \prod_i p(x_i|\Theta)$
 - $p(X|\Theta)$ is called likelihood
 - „finding the Θ that best explains the data“: Maximum Likelihood: $\Theta_{ML} = \text{argmax}_{\Theta} p(X|\Theta) \Rightarrow \nabla_{\Theta} p(X|\Theta) = 0$
 - convenient: use $\log p(X|\Theta)$ instead of $p(X|\Theta) \Rightarrow \log p(X|\Theta) = \sum_i \log p(x_i|\Theta)$
- Why do we take the logarithm of the likelihood? How do we choose the base of the logarithm ? Why?
 - convenient \rightarrow use $\log p(X|\Theta)$ instead of $p(X|\Theta) \Rightarrow \log p(X|\Theta) = \sum_i \log p(x_i|\Theta)$

• log likelihood: (use base e)

$$\ln p(\mathbf{X}|\Theta) = \ln p(\mathbf{X}|\mu, \Sigma) = -\frac{ND}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \frac{N}{2} \ln |\Sigma| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_n - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_n - \mu)$$

• Maximum log likelihood:

$$\Theta_{ML} = \text{argmax}_{\Theta} \log p(\mathbf{X}|\Theta) \Rightarrow \nabla_{\Theta} (\sum_i \log p(x_i|\Theta)) \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mu_{ML} : \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \ln p(\mathbf{X}|\mu, \Sigma) = 0 \\ \Sigma_{ML} : \frac{\partial}{\partial \Sigma} \ln p(\mathbf{X}|\mu, \Sigma) = 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \mu_{ML} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{x}_n \\ \Sigma_{ML} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_n - \mu_{ML})(\mathbf{x}_n - \mu_{ML})^T \end{array}$$

- Case ONE Gaussian: Are the resulting equations directly solvable?

- What is a 1 of K representation?

$$\begin{aligned}
 &K\text{-dimensional binary random variable } \mathbf{z} \\
 &z_k \in \{0, 1\} \text{ and } \sum_k z_k = 1 \\
 &p(z_k = 1) = \pi_k \\
 &p(\mathbf{z}) = \prod_{k=1}^K \pi_k^{z_k}
 \end{aligned}$$

- What is the meaning of the latent variables $\mathbf{Z} = \{z_k\}$?
 - variables that are not directly observed but are rather inferred from other variables that are observed (directly measured)
 - determine the component from which the observation originates
 - if we have several observation x_1, \dots, x_n , then, because we have represented the marginal distribution in the form $p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}} p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})$, it follows that for every observed data point x_n there is a corresponding latent variable z_n

- Can You explain the formula for the responsibilities from an intuitive point of view?

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma(z_k) \equiv p(z_k = 1 | \mathbf{x}) &= \frac{p(z_k = 1)p(\mathbf{x} | z_k = 1)}{\sum_{j=1}^K p(z_j = 1)p(\mathbf{x} | z_j = 1)} \\
 &= \frac{\pi_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k)}{\sum_{j=1}^K \pi_j \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_j)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- Why don't we have the full joint probability distribution $p(X, Z | \theta)$?
 - if we have the complete dataset $\{X, Z\}$, and thus the distribution $p(X, Z | \theta)$, we could use ML to solve for θ with $p(X, Z | \theta)$ directly, which is easy, as well we see, because $p(X, Z | \theta)$ is of exponential family (the functional form is known)
 - we only know $p(X, Z | \theta)$ (\rightarrow responsibilities, as well we see) \rightarrow compute expectation of (unknown) quality $p(X, Z | \theta)$ or even better of the quality $\ln p(X, Z | \theta)$
- In general EM: Why do we take the expectation of the quantity $\ln p(X, Z | \theta)$ under the probability distribution $p(Z | X, \theta_{\text{old}})$? Can You explain the formula for $Q(\theta, \theta_{\text{old}})$ intuitively?

- Informally define the term „Small World Effect“! (1 sentence).

- $l(n)$ “small” $\rightarrow l(n) \in O(\log(n))$

- What is the disadvantage of the expression $\ell = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)} \sum_{i \geq j} d_{ij}$ for the average path length in a network? (1 sentence). Suggest an alternative expression avoiding this disadvantage!

- this expression only works for connected nodes
 - expression for disconnected points \rightarrow harmonic mean

- State the expression for the fraction of nodes with degree k (==the probability of a node having degree k) in case of a power law degree distribution!

- Notation:

$p(k) = p_k$ = fraction of nodes having degree k

- Cumulative distribution:

$$P_k = \sum_{k'=k}^{\infty} p_{k'}$$

- power law:

$$p_k \sim k^{-\alpha}$$

$$\rightarrow P_k \sim \sum_{k'=k}^{\infty} k'^{-\alpha} \sim k^{-(\alpha-1)}$$

- exponential:

$$p_k \sim e^{-k/\kappa}$$

$$\rightarrow P_k = \sum_{k'=k}^{\infty} p_{k'} \sim \sum_{k'=k}^{\infty} e^{-k'/\kappa} \sim e^{-k/\kappa}$$

- If a power law distribution has an exponent of $(-\alpha)$: What is the exponent of the corresponding cumulative distribution?

$$p_k \sim k^{-\alpha}$$

$$\rightarrow P_k \sim \sum_{k'=k}^{\infty} k'^{-\alpha} \sim k^{-(\alpha-1)}$$

- Sketch a power law distribution in a log-log coordinate system!

- a straight line!

- What are the two disadvantages for the following measure of Assortativity: $Q = \frac{\sum_i P(i|i) - 1}{N - 1}$

with $P(j|i) = e_{ij} / \sum_j e_{ij}$ and a normalized mixing matrix $e = \frac{E}{\|E\|}$; $\sum_{ij} e_{ij} = 1$

- Asymmetry of $E \rightarrow$ two values
 - Not respecting size of classes
- Give a precise expression for the degree distribution p_k in a Poisson Random Graph model $G_{n,p}$! Qualitatively sketch p_k for $n \rightarrow \infty$, keeping the mean degree z fixed ! (Hint: the Poisson approximation for p_k is $p_k \sim$)

- $G_{n,p}$: space or graphs with **n-nodes** and each of the $1/2n(n-1)$ **edges appears with probability p**

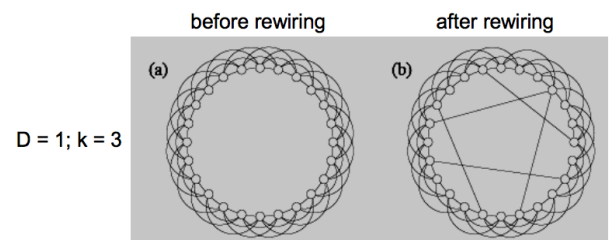
$$p_k = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \simeq \frac{z^k e^{-z}}{k!}$$

- p_k : probability that a node has degree k : \rightarrow
for $n \rightarrow$ **infinity** and holding the **mean degree of a node $z = p(n-1)$ fixed**
(Poisson approximation of Binomial distribution)

- Emergence of a giant component in a Poisson random graph model: Explain the following expression for the fraction of nodes u that do not belong to the giant component:

- Watts-Strogatz model: informally describe the model for $D=1$!

- L nodes in regular D -dim. lattice + periodic boundary cond.; **$D=1$: Ring**
 - each node connected to neighbors in lattice at distance of most $k \rightarrow$ total number of edges = $L k$
 - „rewiring“ of edges with probability p



- Watts-Strogatz model: Interpret / explain the following diagram in view of the rewiring parameter p ! (1-2 sentences)

- rewire both „ends“ of edges + allow self-edges +.... math.easier
- only add additional shortcut edges (no rewiring)
 - mean total number of shortcuts = $L k p$
 - mean degree of each node = $2k(1+p)$

- Watts Strogatz model, variant (2) (only additional shortcuts) : degree distribution:

$$p_j = \binom{L}{j-2k} \left[\frac{2kp}{L} \right]^{j-2k} \left[1 - \frac{2kp}{L} \right]^{L-j+2k}$$

for $j \geq 2k$, and $p_j = 0$ for $j < 2k$.

- Why is $p_j = 0$ for $j < 2k$?
- What is the meaning of the expression $2kp/L$? → **Binomial distribution**

- Model of Price: Informally motivate the terms on the right side of the recursion equation for the net change of np_k per added vertex:

$$(n+1)p_{k,n+1} - np_{k,n} = [kp_{k-1,n} - (k+1)p_{k,n}] \frac{m}{m+1}$$

- mean number of nodes with in-degree k (which is np_k) decreases by x because their in-degree changes to $k+1$
- mean number of nodes with in-degree k also increases because of nodes having previously $k-1$ and now have k

→ the net change in the quantity np_k per added vertex satisfies:

$$(n+1)p_{k,n+1} - np_{k,n} = [kp_{k-1,n} - (k+1)p_{k,n}] \frac{m}{m+1}$$

for $k \geq 1$, or

$$(n+1)p_{0,n+1} - np_{0,n} = 1 - p_{0,n} \frac{m}{m+1},$$

for $k = 0$.

- Network resilience: what is the difference in effect between randomly removing nodes with (a) constant probability q or (b) removing the highest degree nodes? (Explain informally in 1-2 sentences!

- For power law networks:
 - (a) → remove random nodes : no effect on mean distances
 - (b) → remove high degree nodes: drastic effect

- Models of Epidemiology: quantities: susceptibles s , infectives i , recovered r , infection rate β , recovery rate γ : Explain the pragmatics of / interpret the following set of differential

equations: $\frac{ds}{dt} = -\beta is,$ $\frac{di}{dt} = \beta is - \gamma i,$ $\frac{dr}{dt} = \gamma i$

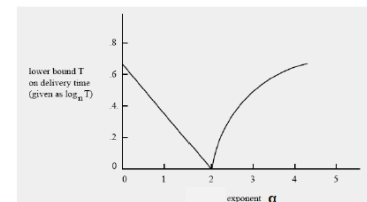
- susceptibles: can be infected;
infective: have the disease and are contagious,
recovered: have had the disease and are immune (or dead)
 - infection probability / rate β , recovering probability γ
 - SIR model („fully mixed“)

Spatial Properties of Social Relationship

- Describe the function of the parameters q_1 and q_2 and α in the Kleinberg model! (1 sentence per parameter)
 - $q_1 \rightarrow$ the maximum distance of node connect locally
 - $q_2 \rightarrow$ the amount of “long range” edge connection
- Define „local knowledge“ in the context of a „greedy network routing algorithm with only local knowledge“ (e.g. in connection with the Kleinberg model)
 - Each node only knows only:
 - its adjacent nodes
 - the grid's principle structure
 - position of target node on the grid
 - positions and long-range contacts of nodes on the message path so far
- In a two-dimensional Kleinberg model the following statements concerning the expected number of delivery steps are true:
 - $0 \leq \alpha < 2$: s at least $\sim c_1(\alpha, q_1, q_2) n^{(2-\alpha)/3}$
 - $\alpha = 2$: s at most $\sim c_2(\alpha, q_1, q_2) (\log n)^2$
 - $\alpha > 2$: s at least $\sim c_3(\alpha, q_1, q_2) n^{(\alpha-2)/(\alpha-1)}$

For which value of α is efficient delivery possible? Give a semi-formal explanation for this behavior! (1-2 sentences)

- $\alpha = 2 \rightarrow$ is necessary for efficient delivery
- Further analysis : if grid has dimension D , $\alpha = D$ is necessary for efficient delivery
- Especially : if $\alpha = 0$ (uniform probability for long range contacts as in Watts Strogatz model : no efficient delivery possible)



- For a 2-dimensional Kleinberg model, $\alpha=2$ is required for efficient delivery with greedy routing with only local knowledge. Liben-Nowell's finding from 2005 investigating greedy routing with only local knowledge on a real social network found that $\alpha \approx 1$ and efficient delivery is never the less possible. What is a possible explanation? (1 short sentence)

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Social Signal Processing

- Define „Social Intelligence“ for IT systems! (1 sentence) which parts of Your definition apply to the field of Multi Agent Systems and which parts are related to Social Signal Processing?
 - Ability to express and recognize social signals / social behaviors from other human and IT-agent individuals in order to „function“ in a society with other human and IT-agent individuals in view of (pareto-) optimizing own and other IT agent's and fellow human's utility function (survival, reproduction, ...) via cooperation
 - human → social signal processing for useful services
 - IT-agent → multi-agent-systems
- Characterize Reality Mining! (1 sentence) What is the relation between Reality Mining and Social Signal Processing? (1 sentence)
 - Social signal processing → individual behavior model
 - Reality mining
 - Analyzing all available traces of humans behavior (social & non-social)
 - reality mining may use social signal process techniques
- Name 3 examples for social signals / social behavior and name 3 examples for behavioral cues
 - Social behavior : expressing attitude towards elements of a social setting
 - Mirroring (if mutual attraction)
 - aggressive turn taking behavior
 - expression disapproval of sth. (e.g. via disapproving looks)
 - expression of sympathy / empathy
 - Behavioral Cues
 - facial expressions
 - body posture / interaction geometry
 - gestures
 - expressives (laughter etc.)
 - emotions reflected in speech prosody (rhythm, intonation, stress)
- Define behavioral cue! (1 sentence) What is the relation between social signals and behavioral cues? (1 sentence)
 - **Behavioral cue** → „composed of“ / manifested via (series of / parallel / overlapping / single ...) time-series of perceivable or measurable, non-verbal physiological activity. (neglecting content of communication)
 - **Social Signals** (conscious or unconscious): „composed of“ / manifested via (series of / parallel / overlapping / single ...) Behavioral Cues
- What is prosody? (1 sentence)

- Voice quality: (e.g. pitch, tempo, energy)
 - anger, fear → energy peaks
 - pitch → perception of dominance or extroversion
 - pitch accents, changes in energy → structure or emphasize sth.
- For SSP: What is the advantage of unconscious social signals vs. conscious social signals? (1 sentence)

- **Facial expressions: What are Action Units (AUs)? (1 sentence)**
 - Smallest discernable **movements of a distinct muscle** in a **face** which may take part in **facial expressions** and **facial actions** and that may be **algorithmically detected** in view of e.g. detecting and classifying facial expressions and actions.
- Name the 6 basic emotions (after Ekman)
 - fear, sadness, happiness, anger, disgust, surprise
- Vocal Behavior: What are Linguistic Vocalizations and Non-Linguistic Vocalizations? (For each: 1 sentence plus 1 example) What is Backchanneling? (1 sentence)
 - **Linguistic vocalizations (Segregates):** “non-words”: e.g. “ah”, “äh”, “umh”, etc.: examples:
 - prolonged “äääähm” → embarrassment / feeling uncomfortable in social situation
 - **backchanneling** (attention, agreement, wonder etc.)
 - **Non-linguistic vocalizations:** other verbal sounds: e.g. laughter, crying, groaning : examples:
 - used as social signals to express boredom, sexual interest, anxiety etc.
- **Vocal behavior: Name and explain in 1 short sentence each three classes of silence!**
 - Silence patterns:
 - **hesitation silence:** (e.g. explaining difficult concepts)
 - **psycholinguistic silence:** (language) en-/de-coding difficulties
 - **interactive silence:** expressing respect, doubt, ignoring persons, attract attention to other forms of communication (e.g. gazes)

- Name and explain in 1 sentence each 3 steps / sub-problems of Speaker Diarization!
 - “Speaker Diarization / Segmentation”: given multi-party audio data (possibly with background noise):
 - Typically 3 steps:
 - **segmentation into speech / non-speech** → Use (several) trained binary classifier(s) to distinguish between speech and non-speech on the computed features
 - **detection of speaker transitions** → split the speech parts into segments (length: e.g. 2-3 seconds)
 - **clustering of speaker segments** (+ classification of speaker) → -- e.g. use hierarchical bottom up clustering: merge segments with most similar models (e.g. Gaussians); cut dendrogram at maximum total likelihood

- Coarsely define optical flow and derive the optical flow equation!
 - motion pattern of picture elements (e.g. pixels): represented by vector field of velocity $V(x,y,t)$ of intensity:

$$I(x+dx, y+dy, t+dt) = I(x, y, t) + \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} dx + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} dy + \frac{\partial I}{\partial t} dt + O(d^2)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} V_x + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} V_y + \frac{\partial I}{\partial t} = 0 \quad (\text{optical flow equation})$$

use numeric methods to compute solutions

- What is the role of context in Social Signal Processing?
 - the way to use SSP techniques for improving services
 - smart home:
 - adapt environment to **short term context** → **individual emotional state**
 - availability management:
 - use **short term social context** detected/ characterized via SSP : social situation → modify volume of ringtone

- Prove via iterated strict dominance, that for the Prisoner's Dilemma

	C	D
C	1, 1	-1, 2
D	2, -1	0, 0

(D,D) is a (pure, strict) Nash-Equilibrium!

- What is the rational behavior in an infinitely repeated Prisoner's Dilemma? Give a short reasoning!
 - rational → cooperation (infinitely repeated)
- Assuming a set of players I with $|I| = I$ and a finite space $S = \times_i S_i$ of pure strategy profiles $s \in S$. Derive the mathematical expression for the utility of player $i \in I$ if a mixed strategy

$$\sum_{s \in S} \left(\prod_{j=1}^I \sigma_j(s_j) \right) u_i(s)$$

profile $\sigma = (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_I)$ is played!

- Explain why a pure strategy may be dominated by a mixed strategy even if it is not strictly dominated by any pure strategy, using the following example game:

	L	R
U	2, 0	-1, 0
M	0, 0	0, 0
D	-1, 0	2, 0

- Player 1: M not dominated by U and M not dominated by D
- But: If Player 1 plays $\sigma_1 = (1/2, 0, 1/2)$ he will get $u(\sigma_1) = 1/2$ regardless how player 2 plays

- Prove that a mixed strategy may be dominated even if it assigns positive probabilities to pure strategies that are not even weakly dominated, using the following example

	L	R
U	1, 3	-2, 0
M	-2, 0	1, 3
D	0, 1	0, 1

- U and M are not dominated by D for player 1
- But: Playing $\sigma_1 = (1/2, 1/2, 0)$ gives expected utility $u_1(\sigma_1, *) = -1/2$ no matter what 2 plays D ($\sigma_D = (0, 0, 1)$) dominates σ_1

- What is a Vickrey Auction? Name the rational strategy in a Vickrey auction (no explanation required)!**

- Good's valuations: v_i ; Assume common knowledge for the moment
- Bids: s_i
- Second price:
 - winning condition: $s_i > \max_{j \neq i} s_j$
 - let $r_i := \max_{j \neq i} s_j$ r_i is the price having to be paid
 - winner i 's utility: $u_i = v_i - r_i$; other players utility = 0

→ the highest bidder wins the good but the price paid is the second-highest bid.

- rational strategy : bidding true value

- In a mixed strategy Nash Equilibrium: Why must a player be (a priori) indifferent between all pure strategies to which he assigns positive probability (not regarding the other player's choice)? (1 sentence)

- because the expected utilities are “linear in the probabilities”

For player i 's utility, we have:

$$u_i(\sigma) = \sum_{s_i \in S_u} \sigma_i(s_i) u_i(s_i, \sigma_{-i}) \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_{s_i \in S_u} \sigma_i(s_i) = 1$$

for the NE σ^* we thus have:

$$u_i(\sigma^*) = \sum_{s_i \in S_u} \sigma_i^*(s_i) u_i(s_i, \sigma_{-i}^*) \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_{s_i \in S_u} \sigma_i^*(s_i) = 1$$

since $u_i(\sigma^*)$ is the best outcome, i can achieve, when the others play σ_{-i}^* , all the $u_i(s_i, \sigma_{-i}^*)$ with $\sigma_i(s_i) > 0$ must be equal, and equal to $u_i(\sigma^*)$.

why? \rightarrow no $u_i(s_i, \sigma_{-i}^*)$ can be greater than $u_i(\sigma^*)$ otherwise the NE condition would be violated, and also not smaller, because then the sum would also be smaller.

- assume that in a 2 player game the mixed strategy profile $((a,b,0),(c,d,0))$ is a mixed strategy NE. Does the Indifference Condition in a mixed strategy NE imply that $a = b = \frac{1}{2}$? Give a short reasoning!

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- In the Cournot competition, each firm i 's profit is given by $u_i(q_1, q_2) = q_i p(q) - c_i(q_i)$. Derive the defining equation for the reaction function $r_2(\cdot)$!

• Under certain reasonable assumptions (see [1]) we can **maximize e.g.**

$u_2(q_1, q_2)$ by solving $d/dq_2 u_2(q_1, q_2) = 0$ which yields

$$d/dq_2 [q_2 p(q_1, q_2) - c_2(q_2)] = p(q_1, q_2) + p'(q_1, q_2) q_2 - c_2'(q_2) = 0.$$

Inserting $r_2(q_1)$ for q_2

$$p(q_1 + r_2(q_1)) + p'(q_1 + r_2(q_1)) r_2(q_1) - c_2'(r_2(q_1)) = 0$$

gives the **defining equation for $r_2(\cdot)$** .

(analogous for $r_1(\cdot)$).

• The **intersections** of the functions r_2 and r_1 are the **NE** of the **Cournot** game.

• **Example:** Linear demand $p(q) = \max(0, 1-q)$; linear cost: $c_i(q_i) = c q_i$:

$$\rightarrow r_2(q_1) = 1/2 (1 - q_1 - c); \quad r_1(q_2) = 1/2 (1 - q_2 - c);$$

$$\rightarrow \text{NE: } q_2^* = r_2(q_1^*) = 1/3 (1 - c) = q_1^* = r_1(q_2^*)$$

- Explain, why $((1/2, 1/2); (1/2, 1/2))$ is a mixed strategy NE in the Matching Pennies game!

	H	T
H	1, -1	-1, 1
T	-1, 1	1, -1

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- If player 2 plays $(1/2, 1/2)$ then player 1's expected payoff is $\frac{1}{2} * 1 + \frac{1}{2} * (-1) = 0$ when playing H and $\frac{1}{2} * (-1) + \frac{1}{2} * 1 = 0$ when playing T player 1 is also indifferent

- Derive the mixed strategy NE in the battle of the sexes, using the Indifference**

	B	F
F	0, 0	2, 1
B	1, 2	0, 0

Condition!

- One mixed NE: Indifference condition Let $\sigma_1(F)=x$ and $\sigma_2(B)=y$
 - Player 1's indifference: $0 y + 2(1-y) = 1 y + 0 (1-y)$ $y=2/3$
 - Player 2's indifference: $0 x + 2(1-x) = 1 x + 0 (1-x)$ $x=2/3$
 - \rightarrow Mixed NE: $((2/3, 1/3); (2/3, 1/3))$