THE POWER OF MEMORY



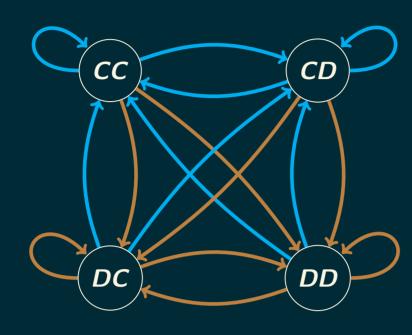
In interactions both social and biological is memory size advantageous?

- ▶ Both players are better of choosing Cooperation (3)
- ▶ there is always a temptation for a player to Defect (5).

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1. OPTIMAL MEMORY ONE STRATEGY IN A MATCH

Depending on the simultaneous moves of the two players, there are four possibles 'states':



A memory one strategy is denoted by the probabilities of cooperating after each of these states $p=(p_1,p_2,p_3,p_4)\in\mathbb{R}^4_{[0,1]}$. A match between two memory one players p and q can be modelled as a Markov chain.

$$M = egin{array}{l} p_1 q_1 & p_1 \left(-q_1 + 1
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Thus the utility of player p against an opponent q is given by:

$$u_q(p) = v \times S_p$$

where v denotes the stationary vector of M and S_p the payoffs of player p given by equation (1).

Against a single opponent:

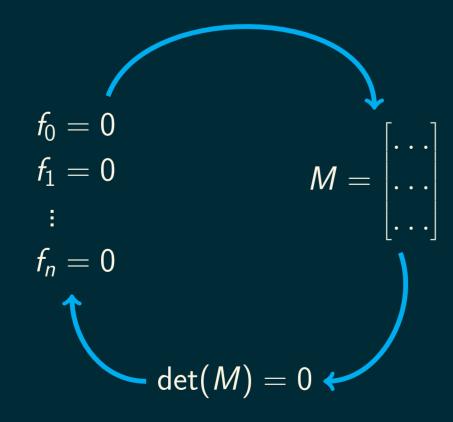
$$\max_q: u_q(p) = rac{rac{1}{2}}{rac{1}{2}} rac{pQp^T + c^Tp + a}{rac{1}{2}}$$
 $st: p \in \mathbb{R}^4_{[0,1]}$

where Q, \bar{Q} are matrices of 4×4 , and c, \bar{c} are 4×1 vectors defined with the transition probabilities of the opponent's transition probabilities q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4 .

3. OPTIMAL MEMORY ONE IN A TOURNAMENT

In order to find the optimal memory on player against a set of opponents we need to explore the numeration of the differentiation of:

This will be explored using the **resultant**.



- Dixon's resultant;
- Maycalay resultant.

2. WHAT IS THE OPTIMAL PURE RANDOM STRATEGY?

A memory one strategy where the transition probabilities of each state are the same is called a **purely random strategy**.

Against a single opponent:

$$\max_{q}: u_{q}(p) = rac{n_{2}p^{2} + n_{1}p + n_{0}}{d_{1}p + d_{0}}$$

$$st: p_1 = p_2 = p_3 = p_4 = p$$

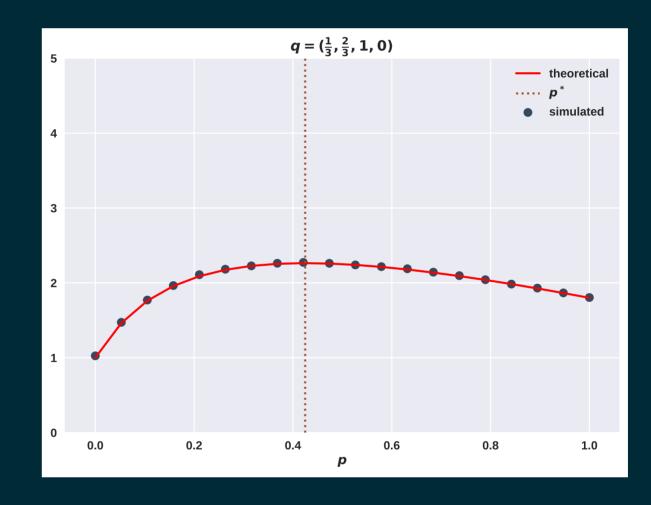
 $p \in \mathbb{R}_{[0,1]}$

The optimal behaviour of a **purely random** player (p, p, p, p) against a memory one opponent q is given by:

$$p^* = \operatorname{argmax}(u_q(p)), \ p \in \mathcal{S}_q,$$

where the set S_q is defined as,

$$\mathcal{S}_q = \left\{0, p_\pm, 1 igg| egin{aligned} 0 < p_\pm < 1, \ p_\pm
eq rac{-d_0}{d_t} \end{aligned}
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Against multiple opponents:

$$egin{aligned} \max_q : & rac{\sum_{i=1}^N u_q^{(i)}(p)}{N} \ st: p_1 = p_2 = p_3 = p_4 = p \ p \in \mathbb{R}_{[0,1]} \end{aligned}$$

The optimal behaviour of a **purely random** player (p, p, p, p) in an N-memory one player tournament, $\{q_{(1)}, q_{(2)}, \dots, q_{(N)}\}$ is given by:

$$p^* = \operatorname{argmax}(\sum\limits_{i=1}^N u_q^{(i)}(p)), \ p \in \mathcal{S}_{q(i)},$$

where the set $S_{q(i)}$ is defined as:

$$\mathcal{S}_{q(i)} = egin{array}{c} 2N \ u \ i=1 \ \lambda_i
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Note the size of candidate solutions is $1 \le |S_{q(i)}| \le 2N + 2$.

