

# Supplementary Information: A theory of mind: Best responses to memory-one strategies. The limitations of extortion and restricted memory

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## 1 Theorem 1 Proof

The utility of a memory one player  $p$  against an opponent  $q$ ,  $u_q(p)$ , can be written as a ratio of two quadratic forms on  $R^4$ .

*Proof.* It was discussed that  $u_q(p)$  it is the product of the steady state vector  $v$  and the PD payoffs,

$$u_q(p) = v \cdot (R, S, T, P).$$

The steady state vector which is the solution to  $vM = v$  is given by

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{p_2 p_3 (q_2 q_4 - q_3 q_4) + p_2 p_4 (q_2 q_3 - q_2 q_4 - q_3 + q_4) + p_3 p_4 (-q_2 q_3 + q_3 q_4) - p_3 q_2 q_4 + p_4 q_4 (q_2 - 1)}{\bar{v}}, \\ \frac{p_1 p_3 (q_1 q_4 - q_2 q_4) + p_1 p_4 (-q_1 q_2 + q_1 + q_2 q_4 - q_4) + p_3 p_4 (q_1 q_2 - q_1 q_4 - q_2 + q_4) + p_3 q_4 (q_2 - 1) - p_4 q_2 (q_4 + 1) + p_4 (q_4 - 1)}{\bar{v}}, \\ \frac{-p_1 p_2 (q_1 q_4 - q_3 q_4) - p_1 p_4 (-q_1 q_3 + q_3 q_4) + p_1 q_1 q_4 - p_2 p_4 (q_1 q_3 - q_1 q_4 - q_3 + q_4) - p_2 q_4 (q_3 + 1) - p_4 q_4 (q_1 + q_3) - p_4 (q_3 + q_4) - q_4}{\bar{v}}, \\ \frac{p_1 p_2 (q_1 q_2 - q_1 - q_2 q_3 + q_3) + p_1 p_3 (-q_1 q_3 + q_2 q_3) - p_1 q_1 (q_2 + 1) + p_2 p_3 (-q_1 q_2 + q_1 q_3 + q_2 - q_3) + p_2 (q_3 q_2 - q_2 - q_3 - 1) + p_3 (q_1 q_2 - q_3 q_2 - q_2 - q_3) + q_2 - 1}{\bar{v}} \end{bmatrix},$$

where,

$$\bar{v} = p_1 p_2 (q_1 q_2 - q_1 q_4 - q_1 - q_2 q_3 + q_3 q_4 + q_3) - p_1 p_3 (q_1 q_3 - q_1 q_4 - q_2 q_3 + q_2 q_4) - p_1 p_4 (q_1 q_2 - q_1 q_3 - q_1 - q_2 q_4 + q_3 q_4 + q_4) - p_1 q_1 (q_2 + q_4 + 1) + p_2 p_3 (-q_1 q_2 + q_1 q_3 + q_2 q_4 + q_2 - q_3 q_4 - q_3) + p_2 p_4 (-q_1 q_3 + q_1 q_4 + q_2 q_3 - q_2 q_4) + p_2 q_2 (q_3 - 1) - p_2 q_3 (q_4 - 1) + p_2 (q_4 + 1) + p_3 p_4 (q_1 q_2 - q_1 q_4 - q_2 q_3 - q_2 + q_3 q_4 + q_4) + p_3 q_2 q_1 (-p_3 - 1) + p_3 (q_3 - q_4) - p_4 (q_1 q_4 + q_2 + q_3 q_4 - q_3 + q_4 - 1) + q_2 - q_4 - 1$$

The dot product of  $v \cdot (R, S, T, P)$  gives,

$$\begin{aligned}
u_q(p) = & \frac{R(p_2 p_3(q_2 q_4 - q_3 q_4) + p_2 p_4(q_2 q_3 - q_2 q_4 - q_3 + q_4) + p_3 p_4(-q_2 q_3 + q_3 q_4) - p_3 q_2 q_4 + p_4 q_4(q_2 - 1))}{\bar{v}} + \\
& \frac{S(p_1 p_3(q_1 q_4 - q_2 q_4) + p_1 p_4(-q_1 q_2 + q_1 + q_2 q_4 - q_4) + p_3 p_4(q_1 q_2 - q_1 q_4 - q_2 + q_4) + p_3 q_4(q_2 - 1) - p_4 q_2(q_4 + 1) + p_4(q_4 - 1))}{\bar{v}} + \\
& \frac{T(-p_1 p_2(q_1 q_4 - q_3 q_4) - p_1 p_4(-q_1 q_3 + q_3 q_4) + p_1 q_1 q_4 - p_2 p_4(q_1 q_3 - q_1 q_4 - q_3 + q_4) - p_2 q_4(q_3 + 1) - p_4 q_4(q_1 + q_3) - p_4(q_3 + q_4) - q_4)}{\bar{v}} + \\
& \frac{P(p_1(p_2(q_1 q_2 - q_1 - q_2 q_3 + q_3) + p_3(-q_1 q_3 + q_2 q_3) - q_1(q_2 + 1)) + p_2 p_3((-q_1 q_2 + q_1 q_3 + q_2 - q_3) + (q_3 q_2 - q_2 - q_3 - 1)))}{\bar{v}} + \\
& \frac{P(p_3(q_1 q_2 - q_3 q_2 - q_2 - q_3) + q_2 - 1)}{\bar{v}} \implies \\
u_q(p) = & \left( \frac{-p_1 p_2(q_1 - q_3)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) + p_1 p_3(q_1 - q_2)(Pq_3 - Sq_4) + p_1 p_4(q_1 - q_4)(Sq_2 - S - Tq_3) + p_2 p_3(q_2 - q_3)(Pq_1 - P - Rq_4) -}{p_2 p_4(q_3 - q_4)(Rq_2 - R - Tq_1 + T) + p_3 p_4(q_2 - q_4)(Rq_3 - Sq_1 + S) + p_1 q_1(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) - p_2(q_3 - 1)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) +} \right. \\
& \left. \frac{p_3(-Pq_1 q_2 + Pq_2 q_3 + Pq_2 - Pq_3 + Rq_2 q_4 - Sq_2 q_4 + Sq_4) + p_4(-Rq_2 q_4 + Rq_4 + Sq_2 q_4 - Sq_2 - Sq_4 + S + Tq_1 q_4 - Tq_3 q_4 + Tq_3 - Tq_4)}{p_1 p_2(q_1 q_2 - q_1 q_4 - q_1 - q_2 q_3 + q_3 q_4 + q_3) + p_1 p_3(-q_1 q_3 + q_1 q_4 + q_2 q_3 - q_2 q_4) + p_1 p_4(-q_1 q_2 + q_1 q_3 + q_1 + q_2 q_4 - q_3 q_4 - q_4) +} \right. \\
& \left. \frac{p_2 p_3(-q_1 q_2 + q_1 q_3 + q_2 q_4 + q_2 - q_3 q_4 - q_3) + p_2 p_4(-q_1 q_3 + q_1 q_4 + q_2 q_3 - q_2 q_4) + p_3 p_4(q_1 q_2 - q_1 q_4 - q_2 q_3 - q_2 + q_3 q_4 + q_4) +}{p_1(-q_1 q_2 + q_1 q_4 + q_1) + p_2(q_2 q_3 - q_2 - q_3 q_4 - q_3 + q_4 + 1) + p_3(q_1 q_2 - q_2 q_3 - q_2 + q_3 - q_4) + p_4(-q_1 q_4 + q_2 + q_3 q_4 - q_3 + q_4 - 1) +} \right) \cdot
\end{aligned}$$

Let us consider the numerator of  $u_q(p)$ . The cross product terms  $p_i p_j$  are given by,

$$\begin{aligned}
& -p_1 p_2(q_1 - q_3)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) + p_1 p_3(q_1 - q_2)(Pq_3 - Sq_4) + p_1 p_4(q_1 - q_4)(Sq_2 - S - Tq_3) + \\
& p_2 p_3(q_2 - q_3)(Pq_1 - P - Rq_4) - p_2 p_4(q_3 - q_4)(Rq_2 - R - Tq_1 + T) + p_3 p_4(q_2 - q_4)(Rq_3 - Sq_1 + S)
\end{aligned}$$

This can be re written in a matrix format given by Equation (1).

$$(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4)^{\frac{1}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -(q_1 - q_3)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) & (q_1 - q_2)(Pq_3 - Sq_4) & (q_1 - q_4)(Sq_2 - S - Tq_3) \\ -(q_1 - q_3)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) & 0 & (q_2 - q_3)(Pq_1 - P - Rq_4) & -(q_3 - q_4)(Rq_2 - R - Tq_1 + T) \\ (q_1 - q_2)(Pq_3 - Sq_4) & (q_2 - q_3)(Pq_1 - P - Rq_4) & 0 & (q_2 - q_4)(Rq_3 - Sq_1 + S) \\ (q_1 - q_4)(Sq_2 - S - Tq_3) & -(q_3 - q_4)(Rq_2 - R - Tq_1 + T) & (q_2 - q_4)(Rq_3 - Sq_1 + S) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \\ p_4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

Similarly, the linear terms are given by,

$$\begin{aligned}
& p_1 q_1(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) - p_2(q_3 - 1)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) + p_3(-Pq_1 q_2 + Pq_2 q_3 + Pq_2 - Pq_3 + Rq_2 q_4 - Sq_2 q_4 + Sq_4) + \\
& p_4(-Rq_2 q_4 + Rq_4 + Sq_2 q_4 - Sq_2 - Sq_4 + S + Tq_1 q_4 - Tq_3 q_4 + Tq_3 - Tq_4)
\end{aligned}$$

and the expression can be written using a matrix format as Equation (2).

$$(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) \begin{bmatrix} q_1(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) \\ -(q_3 - 1)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) \\ -Pq_1 q_2 + Pq_2 q_3 + Pq_2 - Pq_3 + Rq_2 q_4 - Sq_2 q_4 + Sq_4 \\ -Rq_2 q_4 + Rq_4 + Sq_2 q_4 - Sq_2 - Sq_4 + S + Tq_1 q_4 - Tq_3 q_4 + Tq_3 - Tq_4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

Finally, the constant term of the numerator, which is obtained by substituting  $p = (0, 0, 0, 0)$ , is given by Equation (3).

$$-Pq_2 + P + Tq_4 \quad (3)$$

Combining Equation (1), Equation (2) and Equation (3) gives that the numerator of  $u_q(p)$  can be written as,

$$\frac{1}{2}p \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -(q_1 - q_3)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) & (q_1 - q_2)(Pq_3 - Sq_4) & (q_1 - q_4)(Sq_2 - S - Tq_3) \\ -(q_1 - q_3)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) & 0 & (q_2 - q_3)(Pq_1 - P - Rq_4) & -(q_3 - q_4)(Rq_2 - R - Tq_1 + T) \\ (q_1 - q_2)(Pq_3 - Sq_4) & (q_2 - q_3)(Pq_1 - P - Rq_4) & 0 & (q_2 - q_4)(Rq_3 - Sq_1 + S) \\ (q_1 - q_4)(Sq_2 - S - Tq_3) & -(q_3 - q_4)(Rq_2 - R - Tq_1 + T) & (q_2 - q_4)(Rq_3 - Sq_1 + S) & 0 \end{bmatrix} p^T +$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} q_1(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) \\ -(q_3 - 1)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) \\ -Pq_1q_2 + Pq_2q_3 + Pq_2 - Pq_3 + Rq_2q_4 - Sq_2q_4 + Sq_4 \\ -Rq_2q_4 + Rq_4 + Sq_2q_4 - Sq_2 - Sq_4 + S + Tq_1q_4 - Tq_3q_4 + Tq_3 - Tq_4 \end{bmatrix} p - Pq_2 + P + Tq_4$$

and equivalently as,

$$\frac{1}{2}pQp^T + cp + a$$

where  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}$  is a square matrix defined by the transition probabilities of the opponent  $q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4$  as follows:

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -(q_1 - q_3)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) & (q_1 - q_2)(Pq_3 - Sq_4) & (q_1 - q_4)(Sq_2 - S - Tq_3) \\ -(q_1 - q_3)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) & 0 & (q_2 - q_3)(Pq_1 - P - Rq_4) & -(q_3 - q_4)(Rq_2 - R - Tq_1 + T) \\ (q_1 - q_2)(Pq_3 - Sq_4) & (q_2 - q_3)(Pq_1 - P - Rq_4) & 0 & (q_2 - q_4)(Rq_3 - Sq_1 + S) \\ (q_1 - q_4)(Sq_2 - S - Tq_3) & -(q_3 - q_4)(Rq_2 - R - Tq_1 + T) & (q_2 - q_4)(Rq_3 - Sq_1 + S) & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$c \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 1}$  is similarly defined by:

$$c = \begin{bmatrix} q_1(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) \\ -(q_3 - 1)(Pq_2 - P - Tq_4) \\ -Pq_1q_2 + Pq_2q_3 + Pq_2 - Pq_3 + Rq_2q_4 - Sq_2q_4 + Sq_4 \\ -Rq_2q_4 + Rq_4 + Sq_2q_4 - Sq_2 - Sq_4 + S + Tq_1q_4 - Tq_3q_4 + Tq_3 - Tq_4 \end{bmatrix},$$

and  $a = -Pq_2 + P + Tq_4$ .

The same process is done for the denominator. □

## 2 Theorem 2 Proof

The optimal behaviour of a memory-one strategy player  $p^* \in \mathbb{R}_{[0,1]}^4$  against a set of  $N$  opponents  $\{q^{(1)}, q^{(2)}, \dots, q^{(N)}\}$  for  $q^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}_{[0,1]}^4$  is given by:

$$p^* = \operatorname{argmax} \sum_{i=1}^N u_q(p), \quad p \in S_q.$$

The set  $S_q$  is defined as all the possible combinations of:

$$S_q = \left\{ p \in \mathbb{R}^4 \left| \begin{array}{l} \bullet \quad p_j \in \{0, 1\} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d}{dp_k} \sum_{i=1}^N u_q^{(i)}(p) = 0 \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{for all } j \in J \quad \& \quad k \in K \quad \text{for all } J, K \\ \quad \quad \quad \text{where } J \cap K = \quad \text{and } J \cup K = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}. \\ \bullet \quad p \in \{0, 1\}^4 \end{array} \right. \right\}. \quad (4)$$

*Proof.* The optimisation problem of Equation (5)

$$\begin{aligned} \max_p : & \sum_{i=1}^N u_q^{(i)}(p) \\ \text{such that : } & p \in \mathbb{R}_{[0,1]} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_p : & \sum_{i=1}^N u_q^{(i)}(p) \\ \text{such that : } & p_i \leq 1 \text{ for } i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \\ & -p_i \leq 0 \text{ for } i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

The optimisation problem has two inequality constraints and regarding the optimality this means that:

- either the optimum is away from the boundary of the optimization domain, and so the constraints plays no role;
- or the optimum is on the constraint boundary.

Thus, the following three cases must be considered:

**Case 1:** The solution is on the boundary and any of the possible combinations for  $p_i \in \{0, 1\}$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  are candidate optimal solutions.

**Case 2:** The optimum is away from the boundary of the optimization domain and the interior solution  $p^*$  necessarily satisfies the condition  $\frac{d}{dp} \sum_{i=1}^N u_q(p^*) = 0$ .

**Case 3:** The optimum is away from the boundary of the optimization domain but some constraints are equalities. The candidate solutions in this case are any combinations of  $p_j \in \{0, 1\}$  and  $\frac{d}{dp_k} \sum_{i=1}^N u_q^{(i)}(p) = 0$  for all  $j \in J$  &  $k \in K$  for all  $J, K$  where  $J \cap K = \emptyset$  and  $J \cup K = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ .

Combining cases 1-3 a set of candidate solutions, denoted as  $S_q$ , is constructed as:

$$S_q = \left\{ p \in \mathbb{R}^4 \left| \begin{array}{l} \bullet \quad p_j \in \{0, 1\} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d}{dp_k} \sum_{i=1}^N u_q^{(i)}(p) = 0 \quad \text{for all } j \in J \quad \& \quad k \in K \quad \text{for all } J, K \\ \bullet \quad \text{where } J \cap K = \emptyset \quad \text{and} \quad J \cup K = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}. \\ \bullet \quad p \in \{0, 1\}^4 \end{array} \right. \right\}.$$

The derivative of  $\sum_{i=1}^N u_q^{(i)}(p)$  calculated using the following property (see [2] for details):

$$\frac{dx Ax^T}{dx} = 2Ax. \quad (7)$$

Using property (7):

$$\frac{d}{dp} \frac{1}{2} p Q p^T + c p + a = p Q + c \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d}{dp} \frac{1}{2} p \bar{Q} p^T + \bar{c} p + \bar{a} = p \bar{Q} + \bar{c}. \quad (8)$$

Note that the derivative of  $c p$  is  $c$  and the constant disappears. Combining these it can be proven that:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dp} \sum_{i=1}^N u_q^{(i)}(p) &= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\frac{d}{dp} (\frac{1}{2} p Q^{(i)} p^T + c^{(i)} p + a^{(i)}) (\frac{1}{2} p \bar{Q}^{(i)} p^T + \bar{c}^{(i)} p + \bar{a}^{(i)}) - \frac{d}{dp} (\frac{1}{2} p \bar{Q}^{(i)} p^T + \bar{c}^{(i)} p + \bar{a}^{(i)}) (\frac{1}{2} p Q^{(i)} p^T + c^{(i)} p + a^{(i)})}{(\frac{1}{2} p \bar{Q}^{(i)} p^T + \bar{c}^{(i)} p + \bar{a}^{(i)})^2} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{(p Q^{(i)} + c^{(i)}) (\frac{1}{2} p \bar{Q}^{(i)} p^T + \bar{c}^{(i)} p + \bar{a}^{(i)})}{(\frac{1}{2} p \bar{Q}^{(i)} p^T + \bar{c}^{(i)} p + \bar{a}^{(i)})^2} - \frac{(p \bar{Q}^{(i)} + \bar{c}^{(i)}) (\frac{1}{2} p Q^{(i)} p^T + c^{(i)} p + a^{(i)})}{(\frac{1}{2} p Q^{(i)} p^T + c^{(i)} p + a^{(i)})^2} \end{aligned}$$

For  $\frac{d}{dp} \sum_{i=1}^N u_q(p)$  to equal zero then:

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \left( p Q^{(i)} + c^{(i)} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} p \bar{Q}^{(i)} p^T + \bar{c}^{(i)} p + \bar{a}^{(i)} \right) - \left( p \bar{Q}^{(i)} + \bar{c}^{(i)} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} p Q^{(i)} p^T + c^{(i)} p + a^{(i)} \right) = 0, \quad \text{while} \quad (9)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{2} p \bar{Q}^{(i)} p^T + \bar{c}^{(i)} p + \bar{a}^{(i)} \neq 0. \quad (10)$$

The optimal solution to Equation (5) is the point from  $S_q$  for which the utility is maximised.  $\square$

### 3 Stability of defection

An additional theoretical result that is possible to obtain due to Theorem 1, is a condition for which in an environment of memory-one opponents defection is the stable choice, based only on the coefficients of the opponents.

This result is obtained by evaluating the sign of Equation (4)'s derivative at  $p = (0, 0, 0, 0)$ . If at that point the derivative is negative, then the utility of a player only decreases if they were to change their behaviour, and thus defection at that point is stable.

**Lemma 1.** *In a tournament of  $N$  players  $\{q^{(1)}, q^{(2)}, \dots, q^{(N)}\}$  for  $q^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}_{[0,1]}^4$  defection is stable if the transition probabilities of the opponents satisfy conditions Equation 11 and Equation 12.*

$$\sum_{i=1}^N (c^{(i)T} \bar{a}^{(i)} - \bar{c}^{(i)T} a^{(i)}) \leq 0 \quad (11)$$

while,

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \bar{a}^{(i)} \neq 0 \quad (12)$$

*Proof.* For defection to be stable the derivative of the utility at the point  $p = (0, 0, 0, 0)$  must be negative.

Substituting  $p = (0, 0, 0, 0)$  in,

$$\frac{d}{dp} \sum_{i=1}^N u_q^{(i)}(p) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{(pQ^{(i)} + c^{(i)}) \left( \frac{1}{2} p \bar{Q}^{(i)} p^T + \bar{c}^{(i)} p + \bar{a}^{(i)} \right)}{\left( \frac{1}{2} p \bar{Q}^{(i)} p^T + \bar{c}^{(i)} p + \bar{a}^{(i)} \right)^2} - \frac{(p\bar{Q}^{(i)} + \bar{c}^{(i)}) \left( \frac{1}{2} p Q^{(i)} p^T + c^{(i)} p + a^{(i)} \right)}{\left( \frac{1}{2} p \bar{Q}^{(i)} p^T + \bar{c}^{(i)} p + \bar{a}^{(i)} \right)^2} \quad (13)$$

gives:

$$\left. \frac{d \sum_{i=1}^N u_q^{(i)}(p)}{dp} \right|_{p=(0,0,0,0)} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{(c^{(i)} \bar{a}^{(i)} - \bar{c}^{(i)} a^{(i)})}{(\bar{a}^{(i)})^2} \quad (14)$$

The sign of the numerator  $\sum_{i=1}^N (c^{(i)} \bar{a}^{(i)} - \bar{c}^{(i)} a^{(i)})$  can vary based on the transition probabilities of the opponents.

The denominator can not be negative, and otherwise is always positive. Thus the sign of the derivative is

negative if and only if  $\sum_{i=1}^N (c^{(i)} \bar{a}^{(i)} - \bar{c}^{(i)} a^{(i)}) \leq 0$ . □

A numerical simulation demonstrating the result is given in Figure 1.

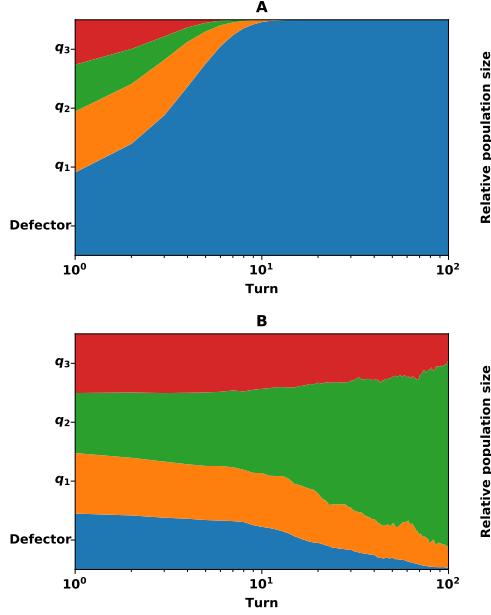


Figure 1: A. For  $q_1 = (0.22199, 0.87073, 0.20672, 0.91861)$ ,  $q_2 = (0.48841, 0.61174, 0.76591, 0.51842)$  and  $q_3 = (0.2968, 0.18772, 0.08074, 0.73844)$ , Equation (11) and Equation (12) hold and Defector takes over the population. B. For  $q_1 = (0.96703, 0.54723, 0.97268, 0.71482)$ ,  $q_2 = (0.69773, 0.21609, 0.97627, 0.0062)$  and  $q_3 = (0.25298, 0.43479, 0.77938, 0.19769)$ , Equation (11) fails and Defector does not take over the population. These results have been obtained by using [1] an open source research framework for the study of the IPD.

## 4 Best response memory-one strategy in environments with noise

Consider an environment where there is a probability  $p_n$  that a players actions are executed wrong. This is referred to as the probability of noise. Two memory-one opponents  $p \in \mathbb{R}_{[0,1]}^4$  and  $q \in \mathbb{R}_{[0,1]}^4$  are now given by:

$$p = (p_1(1 - p_n), p_2(1 - p_n), p_3(1 - p_n), p_4(1 - p_n))$$

and

$$q = (q_1(1 - p_n), q_2(1 - p_n), q_3(1 - p_n), q_4(1 - p_n)).$$

Following a similar approach to that of Theorem 1 it can be shown that the utility  $u_q(p)$  is give by:

$$u_q(p) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}pQp^T + cp + a}{\frac{1}{2}p\bar{Q}p^T + \bar{c}p + \bar{a}}, \quad (15)$$

where  $Q, \bar{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 4}$  are square matrices defined by the transition probabilities of the opponent  $q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4$  as follows:

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -p_n^3(q_1 - q_3)(Pp_nq_2 - P - Tp_nq_4) & p_n^4(q_1 - q_2)(Pq_3 - Sq_4) & p_n^3(q_1 - q_4)(Sp_nq_2 - S - Tp_nq_3) \\ -p_n^3(q_1 - q_3)(Pp_nq_2 - P - Tp_nq_4) & 0 & p_n^3(q_2 - q_3)(Pp_nq_1 - P - Rp_nq_4) & -p_n^3(q_3 - q_4)(Rp_nq_2 - R - Tp_nq_1 + T) \\ p_n^4(q_1 - q_2)(Pq_3 - Sq_4) & p_n^3(q_2 - q_3)(Pp_nq_1 - P - Rp_nq_4) & 0 & p_n^3(q_2 - q_4)(Rp_nq_3 - Sp_nq_1 + S) \\ p_n^3(q_1 - q_4)(Sp_nq_2 - S - Tp_nq_3) & -p_n^3(q_3 - q_4)(Rp_nq_2 - R - Tp_nq_1 + T) & p_n^3(q_2 - q_4)(Rp_nq_3 - Sp_nq_1 + S) & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\bar{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -p_n^3(q_1 - q_3)(p_nq_2 - p_nq_4 - 1) & p_n^4(q_1 - q_2)(q_3 - q_4) & p_n^3(q_1 - q_4)(p_nq_2 - p_nq_3 - 1) \\ -p_n^3(q_1 - q_3)(p_nq_2 - p_nq_4 - 1) & 0 & p_n^3(q_2 - q_3)(p_nq_1 - p_nq_4 - 1) & p_n^4(q_1 - q_2)(q_3 - q_4) \\ p_n^4(q_1 - q_2)(q_3 - q_4) & p_n^3(q_2 - q_3)(p_nq_1 - p_nq_4 - 1) & 0 & -p_n^3(q_2 - q_4)(p_nq_1 - p_nq_3 - 1) \\ p_n^3(q_1 - q_4)(p_nq_2 - p_nq_3 - 1) & p_n^4(q_1 - q_2)(q_3 - q_4) & -p_n^3(q_2 - q_4)(p_nq_1 - p_nq_3 - 1) & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$c$  and  $\bar{c} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 1}$  are similarly defined by:

$$c = \begin{bmatrix} p_n^2q_1(Pp_nq_2 - P - Tp_nq_4) \\ -p_n(p_nq_3 - 1)(Pp_nq_2 - P - Tp_nq_4) \\ -p_n^2(Pp_nq_1q_2 - Pp_nq_2q_3 - Pq_2 + Pq_3 - Rp_nq_2q_4 + Sp_nq_2q_4 - Sq_4) \\ -p_n(Rp_n^2q_2q_4 - Rp_nq_4 - Sp_n^2q_2q_4 + Sp_nq_2 + Sp_nq_4 - S - Tp_n^2q_1q_4 + Tp_n^2q_3q_4 - Tp_nq_3 + Tp_nq_4) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (16)$$

$$\bar{c} = \begin{bmatrix} p_n^2q_1(p_nq_2 - p_nq_4 - 1) \\ -p_n(p_nq_3 - 1)(p_nq_2 - p_nq_4 - 1) \\ -p_n^2(p_nq_1q_2 - p_nq_2q_3 - q_2 + q_3 - q_4) \\ p_n(p_n^2q_1q_4 - p_n^2q_3q_4 - p_nq_2 + p_nq_3 - p_nq_4 + 1) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (17)$$

and the constant terms  $a, \bar{a}$  are defined as  $a = P + p_n(-Pq_2 + Tq_4)$  and  $\bar{a} = p_n(-q_2 + q_4) + 1$ .

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