

# Assignment 2. Andong Yan

1) a) Consider the game:

	I			II	
	A	B		A	B
A	1, 1, 1	0, 0, 0	A	0, 0, 0	0, 0, 0
B	0, 0, 0	0, 0, 0	B	0, 0, 0	1, 1, 1

~~S~~  $S, \dim V^* = 2$

\*: No SPE with average payoff  $< \frac{1}{4}$ .

First stage, two players play  $V_i(A) \geq \frac{1}{2}$  or  $V_i(B) \geq \frac{1}{2}$

so if player 3 plays A.

he gets at least  $\frac{1}{4}$  average

for the following time, player 3 plays his ~~equilibrium~~ equilibrium strategy

so his payoff is  $(1-\delta)\frac{1}{4} + \delta x$

$x$  is the least average in the second stage.

$$x = \inf v \geq (1-\delta)\frac{1}{4} + \delta x$$

$$\therefore x \geq \frac{1}{4}$$

b)

- 2) a) Backward Induction. Since no discounting at  $T$ , both play  $B$ , so every period player plays  $B$ .  
pay off  $u_i = 0$

Strategy: play  $A$  first round, then play  $C$  forever.

first period: pay off:  $3 + x \cdot (T-1)$   
if deviate to  $B$ :  $4 + 0 \dots + 0 = 4$

$$\therefore x(T-1) \geq 1$$

$$\therefore 3 + x(T-1) \geq 4$$

$\therefore$  ~~SPE~~ NE

future periods: pay off:  $x \cdot (T-1) > 0$

if deviate:  $0 \cdot (T-1)$  or  $(-1) + 0 + 0 \dots$

$\therefore$  SPE

b) ~~RPE =  $\{(C, C), (C, B), (B, C), (B, B)\}$~~

single period NE =  $\{(C, C), (B, B)\}$

$\therefore$  RPE =  $\{(C, C)\}$

for repeated game, repetition of  $(C, C)$  gives payoff  $(T, T)$   
any deviation will not be profitable, so NE.

if play  $A$ , deviation then play  $B$ .

~~Since~~ ~~Since~~ since backward induction.

forget first period, both player want to deviate. so end up payoff  $(0, 0)$

$\therefore$  repetition of  $(C, C)$  is the only RPE

(repetition of  $(B, B)$  is dominated.  
play  $A$ , deviation then  $C$  is not NE)

3) (a) Consider play  $(M, M)$  if deviation play  $(U, L)$  forever.

if no deviation

$$M, M \quad 2 + 2\delta + 2\delta^2 + \dots$$

$$\text{devia.} \quad 3 + \delta + \delta^2 + \dots$$

to keep no profit,  $\delta \geq \frac{1}{2}$ , satisfy

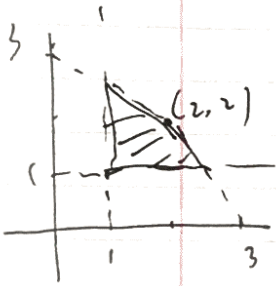
if deviation happens

$$U, L \quad 1 + \delta + \delta^2 + \dots$$

~~devia. forever~~ no incentive to deviate.

$\therefore (M, M) (U, L)$  as  $\{(1, 1), (2, 2)\}$  is self-generating.

(b)



(c)  $(-3, -3)$  cannot be self-generating

since any player will deviate from  $(-3, -3)$

and never want to deviate to  $(-3, -3)$

• This is because  $(-3, -3)$  is the most punishment to both player so nobody will use this to threat other one.

$$4. a) \quad \text{Max} \quad p(x \underline{w} + (1-x)\underline{L}) + \bar{p}(\bar{x} \bar{w} + (1-\bar{x})\bar{L})$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \text{IR}_1: x u(\underline{\theta} - \underline{w}) + (1-x) u(-\underline{L}) \geq u(0)$$

$$\text{IR}_2: \bar{x} u(\bar{\theta} - \bar{w}) + (1-\bar{x}) u(-\bar{w}) \geq u(0)$$

$$\text{IC}_1: x u(\underline{\theta} - \underline{w}) + (1-x) u(-\underline{L}) \geq \bar{x} u(\underline{\theta} - \bar{w}) + (1-\bar{x}) u(-\bar{L})$$

$$\text{IC}_2: \bar{x} u(\bar{\theta} - \bar{w}) + (1-\bar{x}) u(-\bar{L}) \geq x u(\bar{\theta} - \underline{w}) + (1-x) u(-\underline{L})$$

$$\bar{x} \leq p + \bar{p}/2$$

$$px + \bar{p}\bar{x} \leq 1/2$$

4) b) i) if seller is  $\alpha_1$ , buyer is  $\alpha_2$ .

seller will trade when  $\theta_1 > \theta_2$

$$\text{so } k(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \theta_1 > \theta_2 \\ 0 & \text{if } \theta_2 \leq \theta_1 \end{cases}$$

$$v_1(k) = \theta_1, \quad \cancel{v_2(k)} = 0 \quad \text{if } k = 0$$

$$v_2(k) = \theta_2 \quad \text{if } k = 1$$

$$\therefore E_{\theta_2}[v_2(k, \theta_2)] = E_{\theta_2}[\theta_2 | \theta_2 > \theta_1] \quad \text{For } \alpha_1$$

$$= \int_{\theta_1}^1 \theta_2 d\theta_2$$

$$= \frac{1 - \theta_1^2}{2}$$

$$v_1(\theta_2) = -E_{\theta_1}(v_1(k, \theta_1), \theta_1)$$

$$= -E_{\theta_1}(\theta_1 | \theta_1 > \theta_2)$$

$$= -\int_{\theta_2}^1 \theta_1 d\theta_1 = \frac{\theta_2^2 - 1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{transfer function} = \frac{1 - \theta_1^2}{2} + \frac{\theta_2^2 - 1}{2} = \frac{\theta_2^2 - \theta_1^2}{2}$$

for buyer, it should be  $\frac{\theta_1^2 - \theta_2^2}{2}$

ii)

for seller, we should solve

$$\max_{\hat{\theta}_1} E_{\theta_2} \left( \theta_1 \cdot P_b(\theta_1 > \theta_2) + \frac{\theta_2^2 - \theta_1^2}{2} \right)$$

$$= \theta_1 \cdot \int_0^{\hat{\theta}_1} d\theta_2 - \frac{\hat{\theta}_1^2}{2} + E_{\theta_2} \left( \frac{\theta_2^2}{2} \right)$$

$$\cancel{\theta_1 \cdot \hat{\theta}_1 - \frac{\hat{\theta}_1^2}{2} + E_{\theta_2} \left( \frac{\theta_2^2}{2} \right)}$$

F.o.c get  $\hat{\theta}_1 = \theta_1$

the same for buyer:  $\hat{\theta}_2 = \theta_2$

So it's truth-telling.