

Intro to GT.

Ch1. Intro to Decision Theory

Def: Decision problem = (A, \succeq) , A is set of alternative
 \succeq is weak preference.

Prop 1.2.1: A be countable, exist utility function u representing \succeq .

P.f. $h_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a_i \succeq a_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$, $u(a_i) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j} h_{ij}$.

Def: order dense set: $B \subset A, \forall a_1, a_2 \in A, a_2 \succ a_1$
 $\exists b \in B, a_2 \succeq b \succeq a_1$

Def: (a_1, a_2) is gap: $b \not\succeq a_2$ or $a_1 \not\succeq b$. a_1, a_2 are gap extreme.
 A^* = set of gap extreme.

Lemma 1.2.2: (i) If B is countable, so will A^*
 (ii) If u exist, A^* is countable.

P.f. (i): A^* , A^* be the lower and upper extreme of A^* .
 If (a_1, a_2) is a gap. $\exists b$ either $b = a_1$ or $b = a_2$.
 $\Rightarrow A^* \setminus B$ is smaller than B , $\Rightarrow A^*$ is countable.

(ii) $u(a_2) > u(a_1) \Rightarrow \exists q \in \mathbb{Q}$ st. $u(a_2) > q > u(a_1)$, thus countable.

Thm 1.2.3: \succeq can be represented by $u \Leftrightarrow \exists B$, countable ordered dense set in A .

P.f. (\Leftarrow) first (last) element: $\forall a$ st. $a \succeq a$ ($a \succ a$).

B is the countable ..., $B = BU(\text{first, last})$ A^* is countable.

$\Rightarrow B^* = BU A^*$ is countable, we have u rep \succeq in B^* .

Def: $u(a) := \sup \{u(b) \mid b \in B^*, a \succeq b\}$.

P.f. $a \notin B^*, a_2 \succ a \succ a_1, a_2 \succ b_2 \succ a \succ b_1 \succ a_1$.

$S = \{u(b) \mid b \in B^*, a \succ b\}$ is non-empty, upper-bounded.

2° If $a_2 \succ a_1, a_1 \notin B^* \Rightarrow a_2 \succ b_2 \succ a_1$, since $a_1 \notin A^*$.

$\Rightarrow \exists \bar{a}$ st. $b_2 \succ \bar{a} \succ a \Rightarrow \bar{a} \succ b_1 \succ a \Rightarrow$

$u(a_2) \geq u(b_2) > u(\bar{a}) > u(a) \Rightarrow u(a_2) > u(a_1)$

$(\Rightarrow) \bar{Q}^2 = \{(a_1, a_2) \text{ st. } a_2 \succ u(a) \succ a_1\}$. $g: \bar{Q}^2 \rightarrow A$

(map (a_1, a_2) to such a). We have $\bar{B} = g(\bar{Q}^2)$,

$B = A^* \cup \bar{B}$.

Take (a_1, a_2) not gap. $\exists a_1, a_2$ and \bar{a} st. $a_2 \succ \bar{a} \succ a_1$,

$u(a_2) > a_2 \succ u(\bar{a}) > a_1 \succ u(a_1) \Rightarrow (a_1, a_2) \in \bar{Q}^2$.

$g(a_1, a_2) = b$ and $a_2 \succ b \succ a_1 \Rightarrow B$ is order dense.

Def: linear utility function $\bar{u}: \bar{u}((\alpha + (1-\alpha))y) = \alpha \bar{u}(x) + (1-\alpha) \bar{u}(y)$.

Def: Independent: $x \succ y, tx + (1-t)z \succeq ty + (1-t)z$.

Def: (\succeq) Continuous: $x \succ y \succ z, y \sim tx + (1-t)z$ for some t .

Prop 1.3.1: \succeq indep. $S \succ t \in [0, 1], y \succ x \Rightarrow sy + (1-s)x \succ ty + (1-t)x$.

P.f. $sy + (1-s)x = ty + (1-t)(\frac{t-s}{1-t}y + \frac{1-s}{1-t}x) \succ ty + (1-t)x$.
 (indep.)

Th. 3.3. Assume \succeq is indep. and cont. $\exists u$ represent \succeq , and u is unique up to positive affine transform.

P.f. pick any $x_1 \prec x_2$, easy to prove $u(x_1)=0, u(x_2)=1$ is well-defined, linear utility. Then extend to X

Def: $\Delta A = \{x \in [0, 1]^A \mid \{a \in A \mid x(a) > 0\}, \sum_{a \in A} x(a) = 1\}$

\Rightarrow this can be decision problem: $x \succ y \Leftrightarrow \sum u(a)x(a) \geq \sum u(a)y(a)$

Prop 1.3.4: $\exists u$ represent $\succeq \Leftrightarrow \exists$ linear utility u represent \succeq .

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Chapter 2 Strategy Game

Def: Strategy Game: $G = (A, u)$ (N players):

- ① A : set of strategy profiles
- ② u : payoff: $u(a_i) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$
- ③ $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, strategy to outcome
- ④ \succsim : \succsim is a preference, complete, transitive, repeatable
- ⑤ $\{u_i\}$ utility of player, $\Rightarrow u(a) = U(f(a))$

Example (Prisoner's Dilemma)

Example (Cournot) Each producer produce q_i , $TC = C_i(q_i)$

Price is $\pi(Z(q_i))$, $G = (A, u)$, $A_i = [0, \infty)$

$$u_i(a) = \pi(\sum q_j) \cdot q_i - C_i(q_i)$$

Example: (1st price), $u_i(a) = \begin{cases} v_i - a_i & i = \min \{j \in N, a_j = \max_{k \in N} a_k\} \\ 0 & \text{to break tie} \end{cases}$

($v_1 > v_2 > \dots > v_n > 0$)

Example: (2nd price) $u_i(a) = 0 \vee v_i - \max_{j \neq i} a_j$

Def: NE: $\forall i \in N, \bar{a}_i \in A_i, u_i(\bar{a}^i) \geq u_i(a_i^*, \bar{a}_{-i}^i)$

Exm: $(0, 1, 1, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$ is a NE for 2nd price.

Def: $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^Y$ is correspondence, $f(x) \subset \mathbb{R}^Y$

f is upper hemicont: $\forall Y' \supset f(x), f(x_k) \subset Y'$

"lower" $\forall Y' \cap f(x) \neq \emptyset, f(x_k) \cap Y' \neq \emptyset$

$\Rightarrow f$ both, f is conti.

Thm: Kakutani fix-point theorem:

$X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$ is non-empty, compact convex, $F: X \rightarrow X$ UHC, nonempty value, closed, convex-valued correspondence, F has fixed-point. (proof omitted here)

Def: Best Reply Corres: $BR_i(a_{-i}) = \arg \max_{a_i \in A_i} u_i(a_i, a_{-i})$, $BR = \prod BR_i$

Def: Quasi-concave: $\forall r, f(x) \geq r$ is convex or $f(\alpha a + (1-\alpha)\bar{a}) \geq \min\{f(a), f(\bar{a})\}$ (Equivalent)

Prop 2.2.2: A_i is non-empty, compact set, u_i conti.

$u_i(a_{-i}, \cdot)$ is quasi-concave.

$\Rightarrow BR_i$ is upper-hemicont, non-empty, closed, convex-valued

P.S. (b), (c) is trivial because A_i compact, u_i conti.

(d) suppose $a_i, \bar{a}_i \in BR_i(a_{-i})$, $u_i(a_i, a_{-i}) \geq \min\{u_i(a_i, \bar{a}_{-i}), u_i(\bar{a}_i, \bar{a}_{-i})\}$
 \Rightarrow it belongs to $BR_i(a_{-i})$, too.

(e) suppose not, $\exists \{q_k\} \rightarrow \bar{a}_i$, $\forall B \supset BR_i(\bar{a}_{-i})$, $\exists k > k_0 \forall k$ st. $BR_i(a_{-i,k}) \not\subset B$. $\Rightarrow \exists \{a_i^k\} \in A_i$, $a_i^k \in BR_i(a_{-i,k}) \setminus B$.

By B-W theorem, assume $\{a_i^k\} \rightarrow \bar{a}_i$. $\therefore B^c$ open, $\bar{a}_i \in A_i \setminus B$

$\therefore \bar{a}_i \notin BR_i(\bar{a}_{-i})$

$\therefore u_i(a_{-i,k}, a_i^k) \geq u_i(a_{-i,k}, \bar{a}_i)$, $\therefore n \rightarrow \infty, u_i(\bar{a}_{-i}, \bar{a}_i)$

$\geq u_i(\bar{a}_{-i}, a) \Rightarrow \bar{a}_i \in BR_i(\bar{a}_{-i})$, contradiction!!

Thm 2.2.3. (Nash Theorem) If Prop 2.2.2. holds, NE exists.

Def: 2-player 0-sum game: $G = (A_1, A_2, u_1, u_2)$, $\forall a_i, a_j$,

$$u_1(a_1, a_2) + u_2(a_1, a_2) = 0$$

Def: $G = (A_1, A_2, u_1)$ - 2POS game.

$$\underline{\Delta}(a_1) = \inf_{a_2 \in A_2} u_1(a_1, a_2), \bar{\Delta}(a_1) = \sup_{a_2 \in A_2} u_1(a_1, a_2) = \text{lower value}$$

$$\underline{\Lambda}(a_2) = \sup_{a_1 \in A_1} u_1(a_1, a_2), \bar{\Lambda}(a_2) = \inf_{a_1 \in A_1} u_1(a_1, a_2) = \text{upper value}$$

Def: 2POS game is strictly determined or have value if

$$V = \underline{\Delta} = \bar{\Lambda}$$

(similar for $a_2 \in A_2$)

Def: 2POS game is with value V , $a_i \in A_i$ is optimal for P_i if $V = \Delta(a_i)$

Prop 2.3.1. If G a 2POS, (a_1^*, a_2^*) be NE.

$\Rightarrow G$ is strictly determined $\textcircled{1}$ a_1^*, a_2^* is optimal for P_1, P_2 $\textcircled{2}$ $V = u_1(a_1^*, a_2^*)$

$$\text{Rf. } \underline{\Delta} = \sup_{a_1 \in A_1} \inf_{a_2 \in A_2} u_1(a_1, a_2) \geq \inf_{a_2 \in A_2} u_1(a_1^*, a_2) \geq u_1(a_1^*, a_2^*) \geq \sup_{a_1 \in A_1} u_1(a_1, a_2^*) = \bar{\Lambda}(a_2^*) \geq \inf_{a_2 \in A_2} \bar{\Lambda}(a_2) = \bar{\Lambda} \Rightarrow \bar{\Lambda} \geq \underline{\Delta}, \text{ all equation holds.}$$

Prop 2.3.2: G is 2POS, strictly determined, a_1, a_2 optimal, (a_1, a_2) is NE.

P.S. $V = \underline{\Delta}(a_1) \leq u_1(a_1, a_2)$. Take $\bar{a}_1, \bar{a}_2 \in A_1, A_2$. We have $V = u_1(a_1, a_2)$

r.k. $(a_1, a_2), (a_1^*, a_2^*)$ NE of 2POS, so will $a_1, a_2, (a_1^*, a_2^*)$ be.

r.k. If $u_1 + u_2(a_1, a_2) = k$, call constant sum game. All properties 2POS can

Def: G is finite game if $|A_i| < \infty, \forall i \in N$.

Def: G is finite game. $E(G) = (S, u)$ is its mixed extension.

$$S_i = \Delta A_i, S = \prod S_i, s \in S, a \in A, s(a) = s_1(a_1) \dots s_n(a_n)$$

$$u_i(s) = \sum_{a \in A} u_i(a) s(a)$$

Thm 2.4.1 G is a finite game $\Rightarrow E(G)$ has at least one NE. \Rightarrow simple.

Def. $\textcircled{1}$ support of $s_i = \{a_i \in A_i, s_i(a_i) > 0\}$. If $s_i(a_i) = A_i$, it is completely mixed $\textcircled{2}$ Pure Best Replies $PBR(s_i) = \text{best pure strategy}$

Prop 2.4.2. G is finite game:

$$\textcircled{1} s_i \in BR(s_i) \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{P}(s_i) \subset PBR_i(s_i) \quad (\text{NE of } E(G))$$

$$\textcircled{2} s \text{ is NE} \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{P}(s) \subset PBR(s) \quad \textcircled{3} s \text{ is NE} \Leftrightarrow u_i(s) \geq u_i(s_i, \bar{a}_{-i})$$

Def: Bimatrix game is $G = (S_1, S_2, u)$'s mix extension: (S_1, S_2, u)

$\textcircled{1} S_1 = \Delta L, S_2 = \Delta M$, x for P_1 , y for P_2 (probability)

$\textcircled{2} u_i(x, y) = x A_i y^t, u_2(x, y) = x B_i y^t, A, B$ is the matrix.

$\textcircled{3} B_i = \{x, y\} \in S_1 \times S_2 \mid x \in BR_1(y), y \in BR_2(x)\}$, similar for B_2 . NE = $B_1 \cap B_2$

Def: Matrix game is 2POS game, represented like Bimatrix Game.

Prop 2.6.1: A is the matrix of $P_1, (x, y) \in (S_1, S_2)$.

$$\Delta(x) = \min_{y \in S_2} x A y^t, \bar{\Delta}(y) = \max_{x \in S_1} x A y^t$$

$$\text{P.S. } \Delta(x) = \inf_{y \in S_2} x A y^t \leq \min_{j \in M} x A e_j^t = \min_{j \in M} x A_j$$

$$x A y^t \geq \min_{j \in M} (\min_{i \in N} x A_{ij}) e_j^t = (\min_{j \in M} x A_j) \sum e_j^t = \sum x A_j$$

Thm 2.6.2: (min-max) Every matrix game is strictly determined

P.S. $\textcircled{1}$ Since $\underline{\Delta} \leq \bar{\Lambda}$, we only need $\underline{\Delta} \geq \bar{\Lambda}$.

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ Suppose } \underline{\Delta} < \bar{\Lambda} = \inf_{x \in S_1} \bar{\Delta}(y) = \inf_{x \in S_1} (\max_{y \in S_2} x A y^t)$$

Then, by the fact A is linear, $\exists x^t$ st. $c < \inf_{x \in S_1} \sum x A_j y^t$

$$\leq \inf_{x \in S_1} \sum_{i=1}^n x A_{ij} y^t \leq \sup_{x \in S_1} \inf_{y \in S_2} x A y^t = \underline{\Delta} \Rightarrow \text{contradiction!!}$$

Define: Matrix game A , optimal strategies set: $O(A), O_2(A)$

$$\text{For } 2 \times 2 \text{ matrix, } V = \max_{x \in O_1(A)} \Delta(x) = \max_{x \in O_1(A)} \min_{y \in S_2} x A y^t = \max_{x \in O_1(A)} \min_{j \in M} (x A_j) = \max_{x \in O_1(A)} \min_{j \in M} (x A_j)$$