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— PROBLEM SET II —

Question 1:

If B is weak (α)

		B	
		Fight	Yield
A	Fight	1, -1	1, 0
	Yield	0, 1	0, 0

↓
Fight is dominating
strategy for A.

If B is strong ($1-\alpha$)

		B	
		Fight	Yield
A	Fight	-1, 1	1, 0
	Yield	0, 1	0, 0

↓
Fight is dominating
strategy for strong B

α : probability that firm A
assigns to firm B being
weak.

A

Fight payoff: $1 \cdot \alpha + (-1)(1-\alpha) = 2\alpha - 1$

Yield payoff: $0 \cdot \alpha + 0 \cdot (1-\alpha) = 0$

If we compare them:

$$2\alpha - 1 = 0$$
$$\alpha = 1/2$$

If $\alpha > \frac{1}{2}$, A will fight and weak type B will not fight. \rightarrow (Fight, Yield)

If $\alpha < \frac{1}{2}$, A will yield and both types of B will fight. \rightarrow (Yield, Fight)

Question 2:

$n = 5$ people

10 USD

If you contribute 10 USD, individual return = $\frac{M \cdot 10}{5}$

If you don't contribute, individual return = 10

\rightarrow we should compare these values.

$$\frac{m \cdot 10}{5} = 10 \Rightarrow m = 5$$

If $m > 5$: players contribute all 10 USD

If $m < 5$: players do not contribute

If $m = 5$: players are indifferent.

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Question 3:

choosing cable connection: $P(n) = 20 - 0.01n$

choosing ASDL connection: $S(n) = 5$

$N = 2000$

n = number of people who choose P

$$T(n) = n \cdot P(n) + (N - n) \cdot S(n)$$

$$= n(20 - 0.01n) + (2000 - n) \cdot 5$$

For social gain to be positive:

$$T'(n) > 0$$

$$20 - 0.02n - 5 > 0$$

$n < 750$: socially optimal
number of residents
with the cable connection

If there was no cost, But the cost is 50 TL.

$$P(n+1) > S(n)$$

50 TL → means 5 mbps. Because question says that the value of 1 mbps is 10 TL.

$$20 - 0.01(n+1) > 5$$

$$P(n+1) - \text{cost} > S(n)$$

$$n < 1499$$

$$20 - 0.01(n+1) - 5 > 5$$

$n < 999$: actual number of people
who will choose cable int.

Question 4:

		C	
		C	D
R	C	5, 5	-1, 10
	D	10, -1	0, 0

r : rate of return

To sustain cooperating, defecting option should be disadvantaged. ↗

If row player defects once, returned value should be less than the lost

$$\text{gain} = 10 - 5 = 5 \quad \text{lost} = 5 - (-1) = 6$$

$$PV = \frac{6}{1+r} \rightarrow 5 < \frac{6}{1+r} \rightarrow r < 0.2 \rightarrow r \text{ should be less than } 0.2$$

so that defecting is not a good option for row player

If the game has a probability p to end, row player becomes more likely to cooperate. Because, in the last action row would choose defecting and gain 5 without lost.

Question 5:

$$E = \begin{cases} s(\text{Low})=0, s(\text{High})=1 \\ w(s=0)=A, w(s=1)=B, (B > A) \\ \text{Prob}(a=\text{Low}|s=1)=0 \end{cases}$$

We should add this order because employer should believe that education is a signal. Because if s/he does not believe, then there is no reason to educate.