

$\max \min \neq \min \max$ not same

	2			Min	Max
	x	y	z		
a	2	3	2	2	2
b	0	5	4	0	.
c	3	6	2	2	.
Max	3	6	4		
Min	3				

\Rightarrow no minmax solution

mixed strategy
Nash equilibrium exists

Hotelling Model of electoral competition

$n \geq 2$

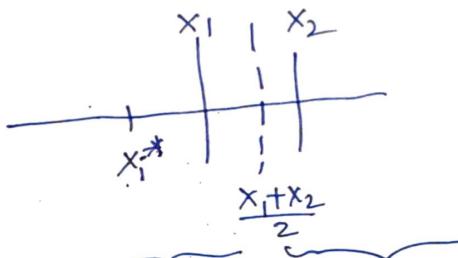
payoff: n if i wins outright
(in first places) $\leftarrow k$ if i ties with $(n-k)$ other candidates.
0 if she loses.

actions: policies: x_i (taxes, spendings)

payoff of Voter i = $-|x_i^* - x_j|$

x_j = announcement of candidate j.

x_i^* = voter i's favourite policy



find x_1 as closest to their favourite policy.

find x_2 as closest to their favourite policy.

m = median favourite policy position.

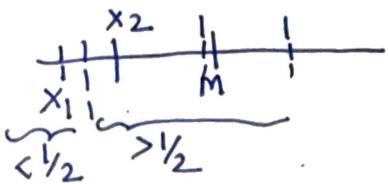
$$\int_0^m f(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \quad f(x) = \text{pdf of favourite positions.}$$

corresponding voter - Median voter (can be many).

$n=2$ (candidates) player.

Both want to win.

$$x_1 = B_1(x_2)$$



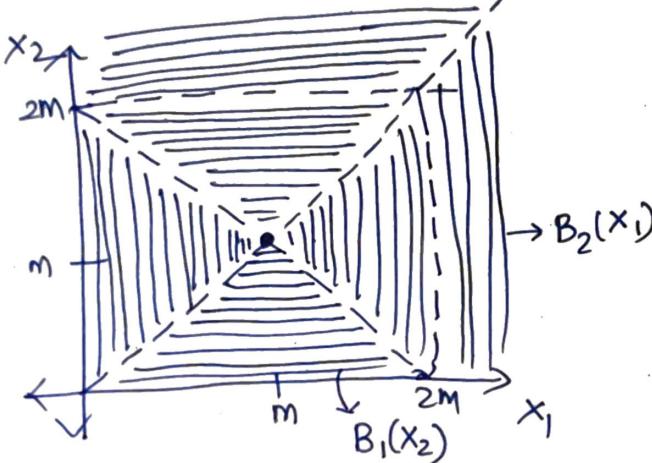
[x_2 has taken leftist position)

⇒ So, choose x_1 to the right of x_2

⇒ $x_1 > x_2$ ($x_1 = x_2$ not best response)

$$\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} < m$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 < 2m - x_2$$



$$x_1 = B_1(x_2) = \begin{cases} x_1: x_1 > x_2 \\ \text{if } x_2 < m \\ m: \text{if } x_2 = m \\ x_1: 2m - x_2 < x_1 < x_2 \\ \text{if } x_2 > m \end{cases}$$

NE: (m, m) only intersection.

Conclusion ⇒ No one is winning outrightly and decision is centrist.

In Reality, Policies are multidimensional, (here unidimensional).

⇒ No much difference between policies

Hotelling model of spatial competition

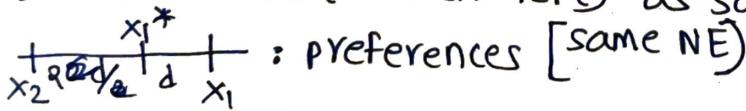
population → choose that mall which is closest.



same as electoral competition
if NE is (m, n)
where $\int_0^m f(x)dx = \frac{1}{2}$

assumptions:

Voters care about rightist (to their right) and leftist (to their left) as same.



(dislike for left is more than dislike for right)

→ candidates stay out.

1. Win outright
2. Tie
3. Stay out
4. Loss

$$NE = (m, m)$$

suppose, if a NE,
where one candidate
stays out, then he
can choose m , then
he will tie or win.

⇒ If both stay out

If any one chooses
to participate
(with any policy) win.

$$(m, m) \text{ is NE}$$

⇒ unilateral deviation is unprofitable, because
choosing any other policy leads to loss (less payoff)
Any other is not N.E.

[choose N.E where atleast one does not choose m]

1. Win-loss

⇒ One who loses,
can choose m ,
Then either he wins
or tie.

(earlier one can't be m ,
as he won't loose, either
wins or tie).

2. Tie.

$$\downarrow \\ x_1 = x_2 \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2} = m$$

⇒ any one can
choose m and
win.

$$n=3$$

⇒ If less than $\frac{1}{3}$ of citizens fav positions $= m$,
then no NE.

Cost of contesting = 100

101 Voters

0, 1, ..., 100

Prize of winning = 200

\bar{x} = position of winner

payoff of voter i = $-|x_i - \bar{x}|$ (Tie, then take average).

payoff of voter i if none contests (none win) = 0.

$x_2 - x_i - x_1$

vote for x_1 , vote for x_2 (Probability for i^{th} voter)

\Rightarrow Median position = 50

1. 50 contests (Voter 50): NE

for Voter 50: price - cost + payoff

$$\text{payoff} = 200 - 100 + 150 - 50$$

for Voter 50 = 100.

(if contests)

(if he does not contest)

payoff for Voter 50 = 200 0

for Voter 49 (he does not contest)

Payoff for Voter 49 = -1

(if he contests) payoff for Voter 49

4th voter gets \rightarrow 50 votes (counting himself)

5th voter gets \rightarrow 51 votes

here payoff = $-100 + -|49 - 50|$

= -101 (unprofitable deviation)

\Rightarrow Similarly, no other player contests (else less payoff).

\Rightarrow Median Voter theorem: Median voter becomes favourite policy.

2. 49, 51 contest : NE

[Tie 50.5, 50.5]

payoff (when contesting) : -1

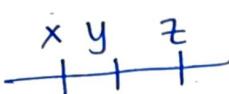
\Rightarrow If not contest = -2 policy = 50

If contest < 49 \Rightarrow 51 wins & favourite policy far
so \Rightarrow loses (only 1 vote)

3. 48, 52 also NE

:
10, 90 not NE, as 50th voter if contests wins
8, 12 } not NE

$$\begin{array}{c} 10 \quad 30 \quad 70 \quad 90 \\ \hline 30 \quad 40 \quad 30 \end{array}$$



Any voter's preference cannot be x, z, y
 z, x, y

Q. odd no. of voters

Either $x \succ y$ or $y \succ x$

We say that position x^* is Condorcet winner if for many $y (\neq x^*)$ majority of voters prefer x^* over y . Pairwise x^* always gets majority voters.

Show that for any configuration of preferences, there is ~~at least~~ one condorcet winner.
atmost

(May be 1 or 0)

⇒ Proof by contradiction:

two or more → choose any 2

$x^* \downarrow y^*$ → prefer y^* over x^*
prefer x^* over y^* ↗

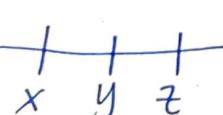
contradiction.

⇒ So, atmost one condorcet winner.

⇒ Example of a condorcet winner

odd no. of (finite) voters.

finite no. of x, y, z



$$x \rightarrow \begin{matrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{matrix} \quad y \rightarrow \begin{matrix} y \\ x \\ z \end{matrix} \quad z \rightarrow \begin{matrix} z \\ y \\ x \end{matrix}$$

ranking 1.

$(x \ y) \ (y \ z) \rightarrow$ (cycle then not condorcet)

$(x \ z) \ x \rightarrow$ Then not condorcet.

War of attrition

(Tensed competition situation)

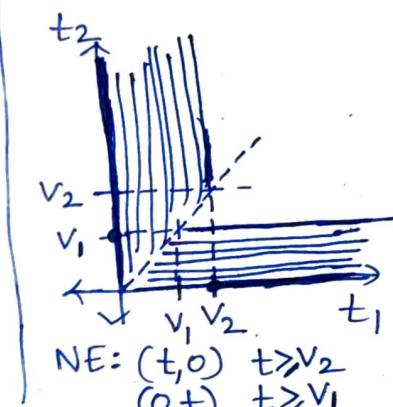
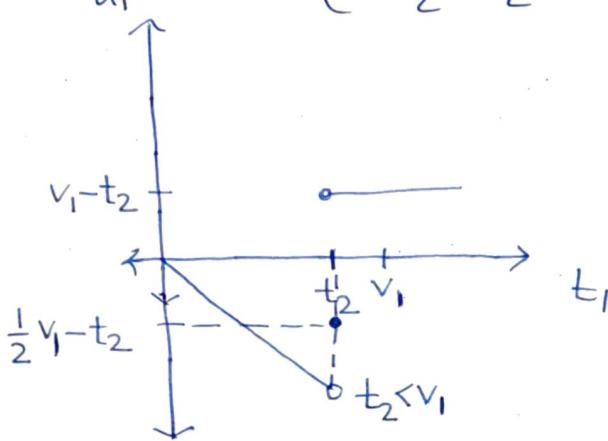
⇒ Two parties are engaged in a tough competitive position.

1. 2 players (times of concede)
2. Actions for player $i \rightarrow t_i \geq 0$. (for which duration he contests)
3. $v_i > 0$, valuation of player i for the object (s)

Payoff

$$u_i(t_1, t_2) = \begin{cases} v_i - t_2 & , t_1 > t_2 \\ -t_1 & , t_1 < t_2 \\ \frac{v_i + t_2}{2} & , t_1 = t_2 \end{cases}$$

(ex: Territory, market share)

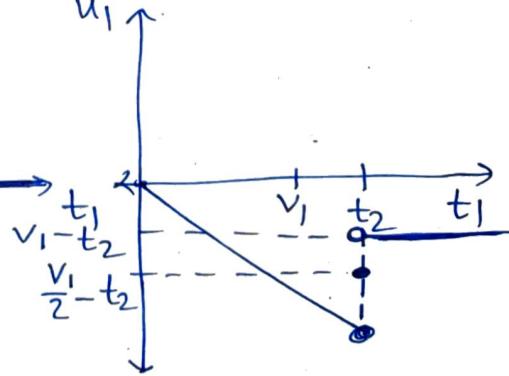
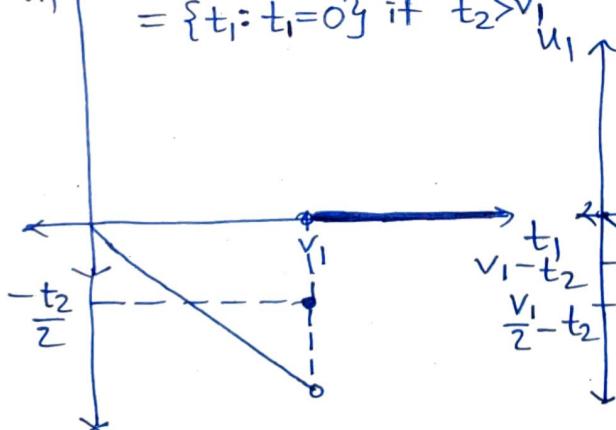


$$B_1(t_2) = \{t_1 : t_1 > t_2\} \text{ if } t_2 < v_1$$

$$= \{t_1 : t_1 = 0 \text{ or } t_1 > t_2\} \text{ if } t_2 = v_1$$

$$= \{t_1 : t_1 = 0\} \text{ if } t_2 > v_1$$

WLOG assume $v_1 \leq v_2$



$t_2 = v_1$

$t_2 > v_1$

NE: $[t_2=0, t_1 \geq v_2]$ (Player 1 gets v_1)
 $(\text{Player 2 gets } 0)$
 $[t_1=0, t_2 \geq v_1]$ (Player 2 gets v_2)
 $(\text{Player 1 gets } 0)$

\Rightarrow None of the equilibria, there is fight,
 One of the party gives up, and other gets highest possible payoff.

\Rightarrow No equilibrium, where players choose same action (No symmetric NE)

$\Rightarrow v_1 > v_2$ or $v_2 > v_1$ or $v_1 = v_2$ does not matter
 How much players value the prize, does not matter.

ex: Two countries fighting over a territory,
 t -money spent to continue war.

79.2: time spent is not valued.

Object in dispute loses value as time passes. ex: Icecream, players fighting over it.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Value for } i &= v_i - t \text{ (after } t \text{ time spent)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(v_i - t) \text{ (if tie)} \end{aligned}$$

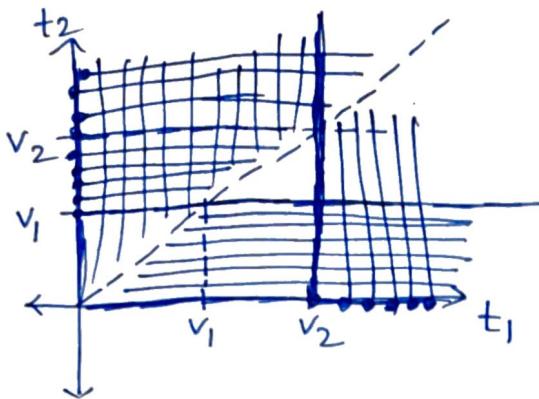
2 Players.

Actions: times

Payoff functions:

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(t_1, t_2) &= 0 \quad \text{if } t_1 < t_2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(v_1 - t_2) \quad \text{if } t_1 = t_2 \\ &= v_1 - t_2 \quad \text{if } t_1 > t_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_1(t_2) &= \{t_1 : t_1 > t_2\} \quad \text{if } t_2 < v_1 \\ &= \{t_1 = 0 \text{ or } t_1 \geq t_2\} \quad \text{if } t_2 = v_1 \\ &= \{t_1 : t_1 \geq 0\} \quad \text{if } t_2 > v_1 \\ &= \{t_1 : t_1 < t_2\} \quad \text{if } t_2 > v_1 \end{aligned}$$



WLOG assume $v_1 < v_2$

NE: $[t_1 \geq v_2 \text{ and } t_2 \leq v_1]$
 $[t_2 \geq v_1 \text{ and } t_1 \leq v_2]$
~~and $t_2 > t_1$~~

$t_1 \geq t_2$
 $t_1 \geq v_2$
 $t_2 \leq v_1$
 $\rightarrow (t_2 \leq v_1 \text{ else player 1 doesn't get object})$
 $(\text{If he does not get object also, he can still try})$

AUCTIONS

Auction is a process through which prices of objects are determined. bid submit
ex: object-contract with player

Auctioneer — Authority that conducts Auction.

ex: BCCI

No. of valuable objects is not more than unique object
Tender—not same as auctions.

right to explore—auction
frequency spectrum

Bidder — Those entities which want to get object.
They submit bids.

Two kinds of auction

- 1. English auction (reserve price) (stopped when no body outbids final price)
- 2. Dutch auction
 - ↳ starts from highest price
 - ↳ tries to find out right price.

(price discovery)
Valuation of objects by bidders > 0
 $v_i > 0$.

$v_1 > v_2 > v_3 > \dots > v_n > 0$ ($1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ are assigned as such)

More valuation, less no. assigned to them.

→ Game with perfect knowledge, people know others' valuation. (No Tie assume)

bids → $(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) \rightarrow$ price announced as bidder to auction.

Second-price sealed bid auction

⇒ Unique player with highest b_i gets object, he pays the bid which is highest among rest of the player's bids.

⇒ Sealed bid, as bids are not known to each other.

⇒ Mimics normal auction, English auction where player's don't know each other's bids.

Players : n bidders

Actions : Bids, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n $b_i \geq 0$

Payoffs:

$$\bar{b}_i = \max_{j \neq i} b_j \quad (j=1, 2, \dots, n)$$

$$u_i = v_i - \bar{b} \quad \text{if } b_i > \bar{b} \quad (\text{or}) \quad \text{if } b_i = \bar{b} \text{ and } i \text{ is least index among those bidding } b_i \\ = 0 \quad \text{otherwise.}$$

On Tie,
person who
values the
object higher
gets

NE: $b_i = v_i + i$

$$(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$$

$$\text{pay-offs} = (v_1 - v_2, 0, \dots, 0)$$

$$1 \rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{if } v_1 > v_2 \Rightarrow v_1 - v_2 \\ \text{if } v_2 < v_1 \Rightarrow v_1 - v_2 \\ \text{if } v_1 = v_2 \Rightarrow 0 \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{no positive} \\ \text{deviation.} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{other} \rightarrow \text{if } v_i < v_1 \Rightarrow 0.$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{if } v_i < v_1 \Rightarrow 0. \\ \text{if } v_i > v_1 \Rightarrow v_i - v_1 < 0. \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{no positive} \\ \text{deviation.} \end{array} \right\}$$

NE: $(v_2, v_1, 0, \dots, 0)$

payoffs $\rightarrow (0, v_2 - v_1, 0, \dots, 0)$.

Player 2 $\Rightarrow v_1 > v_2 \Rightarrow$ same 0.

$\Rightarrow v_2 < v_1 \Rightarrow$ same 0.

$\Rightarrow v_2 \leq v_1 \Rightarrow$ does not get \rightarrow still 0.

Others $\Rightarrow v_1 < v_i \Rightarrow$ 0 (lost)

$= v_i \Rightarrow$ 0 (gets) (Player 1)

$> v_i \Rightarrow$ 0 (gets)

$v_1 < v_i \Rightarrow$ 0 (lost) (others)

$v_1 = v_i \Rightarrow$ 0 (lost)

$v_1 > v_i \Rightarrow$ 0 (gets) (-ve)

\times Other player (not 1) get object in NE \rightarrow gets 0 payoff

NE: $(0, 0, \dots, v_i, 0, \dots, 0)$ $\Rightarrow b_i \geq v_i$ & all other $b_j \leq v_i$

for i^{th} \rightarrow any positive $\Rightarrow v_i - 0$. \exists no profitable deviation.

Others \rightarrow get only when outbit v_i

\Rightarrow Player 1 $\Rightarrow v_i - v_i = 0$

$\Rightarrow v_i \Rightarrow -ve$

other $2, 3, \dots, i-1 \Rightarrow v_i \Rightarrow -ve$

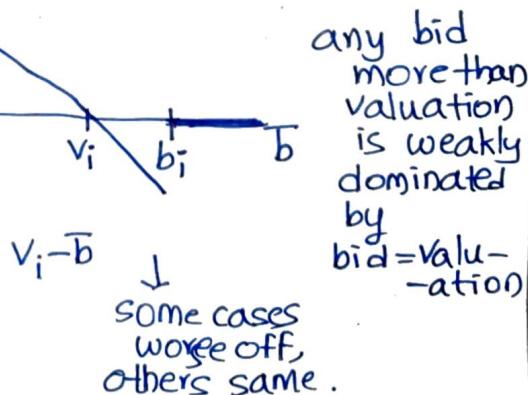
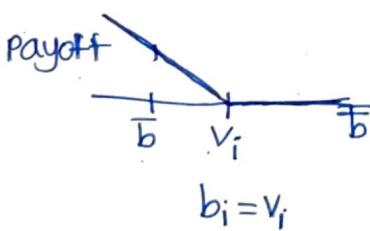
$\Rightarrow v_i \Rightarrow -ve$

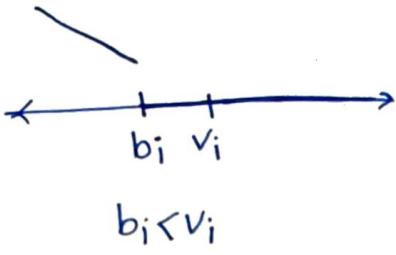
other $i+1, \dots, n \Rightarrow v_i \Rightarrow -ve$

$\Rightarrow v_i = 0 \Rightarrow$ else

\Rightarrow other players slightly less than v_i

$v_i = b_2$ is weakly dominated action of 2. by $b_2 = v_2$





→ also weakly dominated by action $v_i = b_i$

$b_i = v_i$ action weakly dominating all other actions.

$$b_i < v_i$$

for $n=2$

$$\Rightarrow u_1(b_1, b_2) = \begin{cases} v_1 - b_2 & \text{if } b_1 \geq b_2 \\ 0 & \text{if } b_1 < b_2 \end{cases} \quad u_2(b_1, b_2) = \begin{cases} v_2 - b_1 & \text{if } b_2 \geq b_1 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

↙ like war of attrition

First price sealed bid auction

Submit bid within dates, and winner bears his own bid (not second highest bid) i.e. $v_i - b_i$. He does not know second highest bid as price is coming from large value. It mimics dutch auction.

$$u_i = v_i - b_i, \text{ if } b_i > \bar{b}$$

or $b_i = \bar{b}$ and i is the least index among those who bid \bar{b}

$$= 0 \quad \text{otherwise.}$$

$$(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) \Rightarrow \text{all payoffs} = 0$$

for player 1 $\Rightarrow b_1 = v_2$ wins
payoff $= v_1 - v_2$

$$(v_2, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n) \Rightarrow \text{NE}$$

\Rightarrow player 1 \Rightarrow no better
 \Rightarrow others $> v_2 \Rightarrow -ve$

↓
positive deviation, so, not NE.
} No positive deviation.

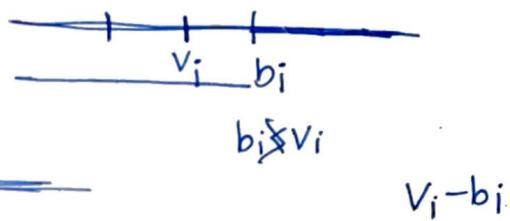
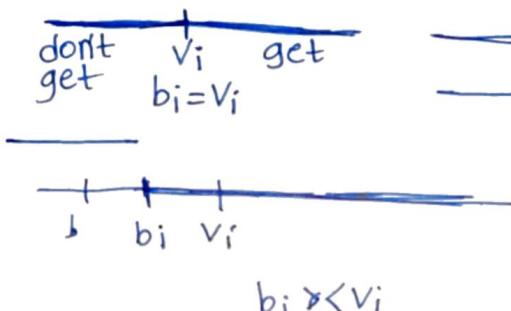
\Rightarrow Here Player 1 always wins object in all NE's.

\Rightarrow Any other player must/can bid atmost v_i , but player 1 bid more than v_i , get positive payoff.
 \Rightarrow Player 1 can always outbid ith player.

- q. Show NE \Rightarrow
- Two highest bids are same.
 - One of these bids is submitted by 1
 - Highest bids are atleast v_2 & atmost v_1 .

\rightarrow If not satisfied, not N.E.

- Highest bidder can decrease to $b_j + \epsilon$ and get positive deviation.
- Player 1 gets so, can't be $> v_1$.
 $< v_2 \Rightarrow$ Player 2 can bid highest $b + \epsilon$ and get positive payoff.



$b_i > v_i$ is weakly dominated by $b_i = v_i$
 $b_i = v_i$ is weakly dominated by $b_i < v_i$

$$b_1 < b_2 < v_i$$

\nwarrow no relation of weak domination b/w each other.

$$v_2 \leq b^* \leq v_1$$

one of the highest bidder (not player 1) is bidding weakly dominated action (Player 1 also, if $b^* = v_1$).

\Rightarrow If bids are not continuous These result's don't hold- (ϵ smallest granular unit, below which we can't go).

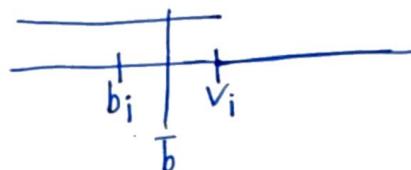
$$b_j \leq v_j - \epsilon \quad j = 3, 4, \dots, n \quad (\text{not weakly dominated})$$

$$(v_2 - \epsilon, v_2 - \epsilon, b_3, \dots, b_n) \rightarrow (v_2, v_2, b_3, \dots, b_n)$$

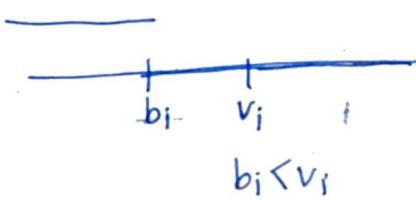
[second price sealed bid $\xrightarrow{\text{as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0} (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$] $\xrightarrow{\text{revenue equivalent}}$

In Third price sealed bid auction,

v_i weakly dominates $b_i < v_i$
does not weakly dominate $b_i > v_i$.

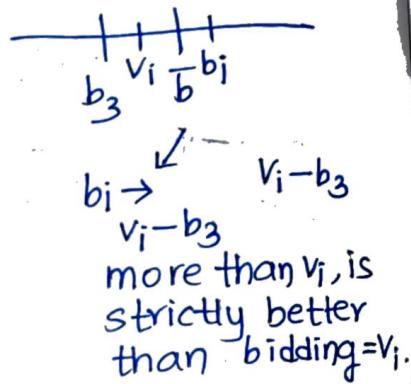


$$b_i = v_i$$



$$b_i < v_i$$

$v_i - b_3$
if $\bar{b} < b_i$
 \Rightarrow same payoff



\Rightarrow Single unit good auction above.

\Rightarrow Multi unit goods auctions

$b_i = (b_{i1}^1, b_{i1}^2, \dots, b_{im}^m)$ m units are auctioned.
Submit bids for each unit.

\Rightarrow Rule 1: Discriminatory auction [first price sealed bid auction]

- pays his own price highest bidder in each unit.

lobbying groups
 \rightarrow influence government policies for their benefit

All pay auction
- Highest bidder get policy in his favour.

like war of attrition
 $u_i = -b_i (\bar{b} > b_i)$
 $= v_i - b_i (\bar{b} < b_i)$

Q.2: Waiting in a line
Movie hall - cap - 100 people who want to watch $> 100 = 200$.

First come First service,

5:30 PM

$v_1 > v_2 > \dots > v_{200}$ [in time]

$v_i - t_i$ | If same t_i ,
 ϕ_i decide on index

bids only on one unit.

$$t_1 = t_2 = \dots = t_{100} = v_{100} \text{ other } 0.$$

(Highest waiting person can reduce)

$$t^* \leq v_{105} \text{ (for positive payoff).}$$

$$t^* \text{ or } t^* + \epsilon \rightarrow \text{positive payoff (first 100).}$$

$$\Rightarrow t^* = v_{100}$$

$$t_{101}, \dots < v_{100}.$$

$\Rightarrow v_{100} - \epsilon \Rightarrow$ one of the first 100, still get, better payoff.

$$\Rightarrow t^* (= v_{100}) \text{ (for } i=1, 2, \dots, 100\text{)}$$

and $t_j = t^*$ (for at least one of $j=101, \dots, 200$)

$$\Rightarrow v_{101} \leq t^* \leq v_{100}. \Rightarrow \text{(all these are NE).}$$

(If $< v_{101} \Rightarrow$ can choose (v_{101}) $t^* + \epsilon$ and positive)

(If $> v_{100} \Rightarrow v_{100}$ gets negg negative payoff)

[All people don't know others valuations, so, this behaviour is not observed in real life].

Accident Laws

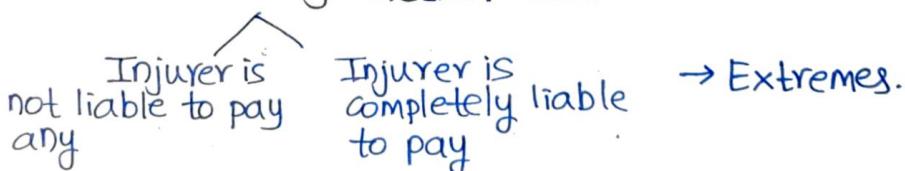
→ Not intentional, loss $L > 0$

party which causes accident = Injurer

Loss is on victim.

Other party is victim.

How much proportion of L is borne by Injurer
and how much by Victim.—Law



a_i : care taken by player i to avoid the accident > 0 .

$$L(a_1, a_2) \rightarrow \text{decreasing function.}$$

more care, then probability of accident decrease
(L is like expectation)

$p(a_1, a_2)$ = proportion of loss borne by injurer.

$$u_1(a_1, a_2) = -a_1 - p(a_1, a_2) L(a_1, a_2)$$

$$u_2(a_1, a_2) = -a_2 - (1-p(a_1, a_2)) L(a_1, a_2)$$

Negligence with contributory negligence : (law)

(x_1, x_2) = threshold care levels for 1 & 2.

$p=1$ if $a_1 < x_1$ and $a_2 \geq x_2$

$p=0$ if $a_1 \geq x_1$ or $a_2 < x_2$

$a_1=x_1$ and $a_2=x_2 \Rightarrow p=0$ x_1 very large \rightarrow victim
 x_2 very small favour

$x_1 \rightarrow \infty, x_2=0 \rightarrow$ Strict liability

$x_1 \rightarrow \text{large}, x_2=0 \rightarrow$ Pure negligence

Suppose, (\bar{a}_1, \bar{a}_2) is socially desirable. \rightarrow Is this NE?
(pareto optimal)

If $x_1 = \bar{a}_1, x_2 = \bar{a}_2$ Yes
(This is unique NE)

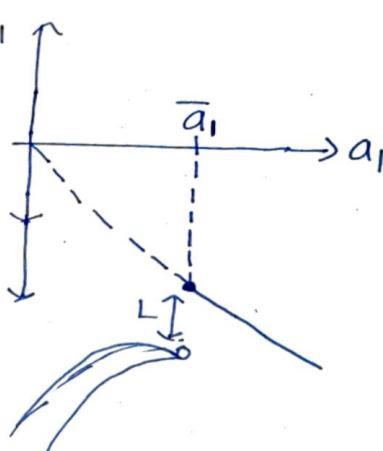
$$\bar{a}_1 \in B_1(\bar{a}_2)$$

$$\bar{a}_2 \in B_2(\bar{a}_1)$$

$$u_1 = -a_1 - L(a_1, \bar{a}_2) \quad \text{if } a_1 < \bar{a}_1$$
$$= -a_1, \quad \text{if } a_1 \geq \bar{a}_1$$

$$(B_1(\bar{a}_2) = \bar{a}_1)$$

a_1 decreases
but L increases



* (\bar{a}_1, \bar{a}_2) maximises $u_1 + u_2 = -a_1 - a_2 - L(a_1, a_2)$

$a_1 = \bar{a}_1$ maximises

$$\Downarrow -a_1 - L(a_1, \bar{a}_2)$$

\Rightarrow So, It has max at $\bar{a}_1 \Rightarrow$ but here it is greater now $(-\bar{a}_1) \Rightarrow$ best response.

$$\text{So, } B_1(\bar{a}_2) = \bar{a}_1$$

$$\text{similarly } B_2(\bar{a}_1) = \bar{a}_2$$

⇒ If player 1 reduces even a little, he have to pay entire loss.

$$u_2 = -a_2 - L(\bar{a}_1, a_2)$$



$$B_2(\bar{a}_1) = \bar{a}_2 \quad [\text{from socially desirable condition}]$$

Mixed strategy Nash Equilibrium → stochastic steady state populations of players. (at each play → pick)



$$\text{NE: } (a_1^*, a_2^*)$$

$$\text{pl.1} \leftrightarrow \text{pl.2}$$

$$a_1^* \quad a_2^*$$

at each play

Best response functions intersection

⇒ Restrictive

$$A_1 = (a_1^*, b_1^*, c_1^*) \quad (1, 0, 0) \text{ in NE. (earlier)}$$

probability distribution over action set

$$A_2 = (a_2^*, b_2^*, c_2^*) \quad (1, 0, 0) \text{ in NE}$$

Mixing the actions is allowed.

Steady state, and probability distribution of players remain same. → Mixed strategy NE

$$A_1 \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$A_2 \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4} \right)$$

according to A_2 's distribution

Over $\emptyset A_2 \rightarrow A_1$ with given distribution is best response and vice-versa

$$(1, 0, 0) \quad (1, 0, 0) \rightarrow \text{Pure strategy NE}$$



Theorem:

at least one MSNE always exists

while NE may not exist sometimes.

ex Matching pennies

	H	T
H	1, -1	-1, 1*
T	-1, 1*	1, -1

If match, P₁ wins
else P₂ wins

(no NE)

⇒ MSNE: Unique NE at $\underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)}_{\text{Probabilities of } P_1} \times \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)}_{\text{Probabilities of } P_2}$

P₁ POV:
Player P₁ chooses $(P, 1-P)$ and P₂ chooses $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$

α_2 Probability that player gets 1
(He would like to maximize this probability)

$$= P(HH \cup TT)$$

$$= P(H \cap H) + P(T \cap T)$$

$$= P(H)P(H) + P(T)P(T)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}P + \frac{1}{2}(1-P)$$

$= P\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow$ Independent of P
 $\forall p \rightarrow$ getting 1 Rs remains same

∴ So, $P=\frac{1}{2}$ is also optimal.

$$B_1(\alpha_2) = (P, 1-P) \times P \\ \cong \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

Similarly, if P₁ chooses $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$, P₂ choosing $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ is also its best response.

$$B_2(\alpha_1) = (P, 1-P) \times P \\ = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

(α_1, α_2) is MSNE.

⇒ let $\alpha_1 = (P, 1-P) \Rightarrow \Pr(P_1 \text{ gains Rs 1})$
 $\alpha_2 = (q, 1-q)$

(α_1, α_2) of P₁ & P₂

$$= pq + (1-p)(1-q)$$

$$= 2pq + 1 - p - q$$

$$= P(2q-1) + (1-q)$$

(No NE, as no intersections)
IF $q > \frac{1}{2}$, $P \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow q=0$ (no NE if $q > \frac{1}{2}$)

→ Here $q=0$ is optimal)

If $q < \frac{1}{2}$, $p \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow q \rightarrow 1$ none if $q > \frac{1}{2}$

If $q = \frac{1}{2}$, any p $p > \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow q \rightarrow 0$ } no NE
 $p < \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow q \rightarrow 1$ } no NE

$p = \frac{1}{2} \rightarrow$ any q ($q = \frac{1}{2}$ allowed)

\Rightarrow Similarly, if $p \neq \frac{1}{2}$ not NE
if $q \neq \frac{1}{2}$ not NE

$(p, q) = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ is NE, proved before.

\Rightarrow So, This is unique NE.

Decision under Uncertainty, some probability by which actions are played.

Events A B
probability distribution over A & B

P1

A \uparrow (maximize P)
B $1-p$

(P, 1-P)

\rightarrow lotteries [probability distribution over events]

\Rightarrow maximize probability associated with preferred event

(Before gaining 1Rs & loosing 1Rs are only 2 events).

If 3 or more events ex:

Risk lovers might

be l_1, l_2

Risk Averses might

$l_2 > l_1$

	A	B	C
	+50	0	-50
lotteries	1	$\frac{1}{4}$	0
	2	0	1

\Rightarrow Theory of expected Utility (von Neumann & Morgenster)

$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \rightarrow$ events (like action profiles)

$\Rightarrow u_i(x_i)$ [If certain events] [utility function]

l_1, l_2 lotteries, l_1 is: $(\alpha_{11}, \alpha_{12}, \dots, \alpha_{1n})$

$l_2 : (\alpha_{21}, \alpha_{22}, \dots, \alpha_{2n})$ $\alpha_{ij} \geq 0$
 $\sum \alpha_{ij} = 1$

$l_1 > l_2$ if

$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{1i} u_j(x_i) > \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_{2i} u_j(x_i)$

\Rightarrow vN-M utility functions: $U_j(\cdot)$

unlike payoff functions, these are non-ordinal functions (else inequalities will change)

		NC	C
		NC	2,2 0,3
		C	3,0 1,1
PD:			

l_1 : (NC, NC) event with certainty, others 0.

l_2 : (C, NC), (C, C) happen with probability $\frac{1}{2}$ each.

$$\Rightarrow \text{Player 1} \Rightarrow U_1(l_1) = 1(2) + 0(3) + 0(0) + 0(1) = 2$$

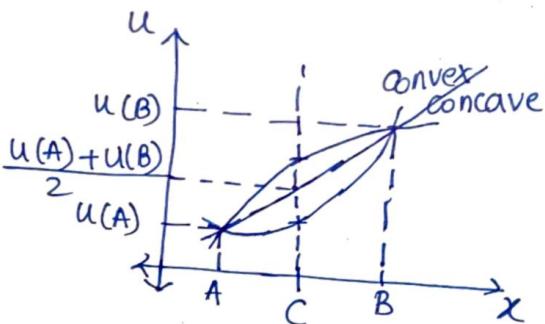
$$\text{Player 1} \Rightarrow U_1(l_2) = 0(2) + \frac{1}{2}(3) + 0(0) + \frac{1}{2}(1) = 2$$

u_i defined over certain outcome.

$$U_1(l_1) = 1 \cdot U_1(\text{NC, NC}) + 0 = 1 \cdot 2 = 2$$

$$U_2(l_2) = ? \quad l_1 \sim l_2$$

If $U_1(\text{NC, NC}) = 2.5$ (ordinal preference matches)
but $l_1 \succ l_2$, as preference over l_1, l_2 changes,
 $U_i(\cdot)$ must be non-ordinal.



$$l_1 = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$$

$$U(l_1) = U(A) + U(B)$$

$$C: \frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2}$$

Based on $U(C) \rightarrow$ people are divided into 3 categories.

$$\text{concave} \rightarrow U(C) > \frac{1}{2}U(A) + \frac{1}{2}U(B)$$

$$U\left(\frac{1}{2}A + \frac{1}{2}B\right) > \frac{1}{2}U(A) + \frac{1}{2}U(B)$$

$$\Rightarrow C(1) = l_2$$

$$l_2 \succ l_1$$

\Rightarrow Risk averse \rightarrow When C is chosen with certainty, payoff is more

\Rightarrow Concavity \rightarrow degree of risk aversion.

Risk lovers

$$\Rightarrow u(c) < \frac{1}{2}u(A) + \frac{1}{2}u(B)$$

$$u\left(\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2}\right) < \frac{u(A) + u(B)}{2}$$

Risk Neutral Individual

$$u(c) = \frac{1}{2}u(A) + \frac{1}{2}u(B)$$

$$u\left(\frac{A}{2} + \frac{B}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}u(A) + \frac{1}{2}u(B).$$

\Rightarrow These depend on condition ($u(c)$) Insurance \rightarrow Risk averse

* mixed strategy is probability distribution over set of actions.

Mixed strategy:

For player i , α_i is a mixed strategy, a probability distribution over her set of actions,

$\alpha_i(a_j)$, for $a_j \in A_i$, is a probability such that

$$0 \leq \alpha_i(a_j) \leq 1$$

$$\sum_{a_j \in A_i} \alpha_i(a_j) = 1$$

Collection of mixed strategies: Mixed strategy profile.

$$\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n) \quad \alpha_i \rightarrow \text{Mixed strategy}$$

\rightarrow This produces a lottery.

\rightarrow A mixed strategy profile generates a probability distribution over set of outcomes - a lottery

(probability distribution over set of events).

ex:	1		2	a_1	a_2	b_2
				b_1		p
				q	$1-p$	

$$\alpha_1 : (p, 1-p) \quad \alpha_2 : (q, 1-q)$$

(α_1, α_2)	prob.	outcome
	pq	(a_1, a_2)
	$p(1-q)$	(a_1, b_2)
	$(1-p)q$	(b_1, a_2)
	$(1-p)(1-q)$	(b_1, b_2)

Mixed strategy Nash equilibrium: If for each i , $U_i(\alpha^*) \geq U_i(\alpha_i, \alpha_{-i}^*) \forall \alpha_i$ of i , then α^* is MSNE. $U_i(\alpha)$ is expected payoff from mixed strategy profile α . \rightarrow (collection of mixed strategies).

(α_i^*)
change is mixed strategy, keeping other's mixed strategies same (α_{-i}^*).
expected payoff can't increase if MSNE
(NO unilateral positive deviation).
 $\frac{1}{2}$

ex: Matching pennies.

	H	T	P
I	-	-	
T	-	-	1-p

$q \quad 1-q$

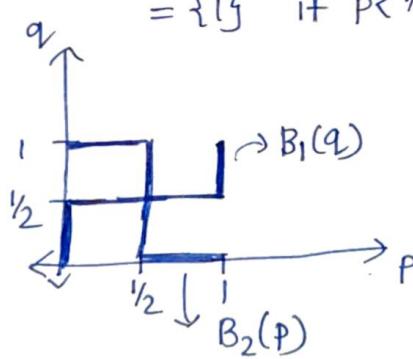
$$E_1(H, \alpha_2) = q + (1-q)(-1) = 2q - 1$$

$$E_1(T, \alpha_2) = q(-1) + (1-q)(1) = 1 - 2q$$

$$\begin{aligned} U_1(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) &= p E_1(H, \alpha_2) + (1-p) E_1(T, \alpha_2) \\ &= p(2q - 1) + (1-p)(1 - 2q) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_1(q) &= \{1\} \text{ if } q > \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \{p : 0 \leq p \leq 1\} \text{ if } q = \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \{0\} \text{ if } q < \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B_2(p) &= \{0\} \text{ if } p > \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \{q : 0 \leq q \leq 1\} \text{ if } p = \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \{1\} \text{ if } p < \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$



one point of intersection, unique nash equilibrium at $p = \frac{1}{2}, q = \frac{1}{2}$.

\Rightarrow 3 actions, can't use this method

ex: BoS.

		2
1	B	0
	0	1, 2

q $1-q$

$$E_1(B, \alpha_2) = q(2) + (1-q)(0) = 2q$$

$$E_1(D, \alpha_2) = q(0) + (1-q)(1) = 1-q$$

$$U_1(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) = p(2q) + (1-p)(1-q)$$

$$B_1(q) = \{1\} \text{ if } q > \frac{1}{3}$$

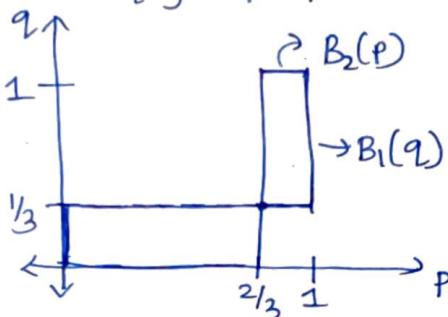
$$= \{p : 0 \leq p \leq 1\} \text{ if } q = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$= \{0\} \text{ if } q < \frac{1}{3}$$

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$$3 \text{ MSNE: } 1. p=0, q=0 \quad \checkmark (\text{NE}) (\text{PSNE})$$

$$2. p=\frac{2}{3}, q=\frac{1}{3}$$

$$3. p=1, q=1 \quad \checkmark (\text{NE}) (\text{PSNE})$$

(For all any no. of players action)

⇒ If all action's probabilities are non-zero, for this player, expected payoff's of each action is same.

$$p E_1(H, \alpha_2) + (1-p) E_1(T, \alpha_2)$$

If one of them is higher, other's probability becomes zero.

for some players

⇒ If some actions, positive probability, then those expected payoff from these ~~ext~~ actions, must be same.

↓ This same expected payoff of each action is expected payoff (Total).

In
MSNE

In
MSNE

\Rightarrow } Expected payoff's of other actions with 0 probability < Expected payoffs of actions with positive probability

ex:

	L	R
T	1, 2	2, 5*
M	3, 2*	0, 0
B	0, 1	4, 2*

→ Strictly dominated action is not played in any equilibrium
 → eliminate that row and solve for 2×2 game.

	L	R
T	1	1
M	4	0
B	0	3

(Only Player 1's payoffs)

a'_i strictly dominates a''_i iff
 $u_i(a'_i, a_{-i}) > u_i(a''_i, a_{-i}) \quad \forall a_{-i} \in A_{-i}$

T is strictly dominated by $\alpha_1 : (0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$

$$u_1(\alpha_1, L) = \frac{1}{2}(24) = 2 > 1 = u_1(T, L)$$

$$u_1(\alpha_1, R) = \frac{1}{2}(3) = 1.5 > 1 = u_1(T, R)$$

⇒ Player i's mixed strategy α_i strictly dominates her action a'_i iff

$u_i(\alpha_i, a_{-i}) > u_i(a'_i, a_{-i}), \forall a_{-i}$ (also will be satisfied for mixed strategies of other player, trivially)

⇒ Player i's mixed strategy α_i weakly dominates her action a'_i iff

$u_i(\alpha_i, a_{-i}) \geq u_i(a'_i, a_{-i}), \forall a_{-i}$ and
 $u_i(\alpha_i, a_{-i}) > u_i(a'_i, a_{-i})$ for at least one a_{-i}

⇒ T is strictly dominated by $(0, \frac{1}{2.5}, 1 - \frac{1}{2.5})$

all mixed strategies that dominate T.

$$\Rightarrow (0, p, 1-p)$$

$$\frac{1.5}{2.5} = \frac{3}{5} \times 4 = \frac{12}{8} = 2.5$$

$$U_1(\alpha_1, L) = 3P > 1 = U_1(T, L)$$

$$U_1(\alpha_1, R) = 4(1-P) > 2 = U_1(T, R)$$

$$P > \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P \in \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}\right)$$

2

ex:

	L	R	
M	3, 2	0, 0	P
B	0, 1	4, 2	1-P

$$q$$

$$1-q$$

$$\begin{aligned} P=1, q=1 \\ P=0, q=0 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{PSNE} \\ \text{MSNE} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$U_1(M, \alpha_2) = U_1(B, \alpha_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3q = 4(1-q)$$

$$\Rightarrow q = \frac{4}{7}$$

$$U_2(L, \alpha_1) = U_2(R, \alpha_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2P + (1-P) = 2(1-P)$$

$$2P = 1 - P$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P = \frac{1}{3}, q = \frac{4}{7} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{PSNE} \\ \text{MSNE} \end{array} \right\}$$

Extensive games with perfect information

Strategy games - don't know actions of other players, even previous actions

→ Sequential games

→ Completely aware of actions taken by other players ex: chess.

- 1. Player set
- 2. Preferences
- 3. Terminal history's.
(like sequence of actions)
- 4. Player functions.
how the game can change with time, its structure

→ At any stage (of Terminal history)
we should know which player plays.
4 gives identity of player

Ex: ENTRY GAME

Incumbent (someone already in power, monopoly)
challenger (whether to go into market or not)

starting point - sequential

- Entry (In)
- Do not Enter (out)

Fight

Accommodate

3

3 Terminal histories → in fight
 → out in accommodate

Player function:

assigns player any sequence

$$P(\emptyset) = \text{Ch} \quad (\text{first move})$$

⇒ for non-terminal history, we need who should play after this history

$$P(\text{In}) = \text{Inc}$$

Preferences:

These are defined over terminal (i.e. ended) outcomes (ordinal payoff functions)

$$u_{\text{Ch}}(\text{In}, \text{Accommodate}) = 2$$

$$u_{\text{Ch}}(\text{In}, \text{Fight}) = 0$$

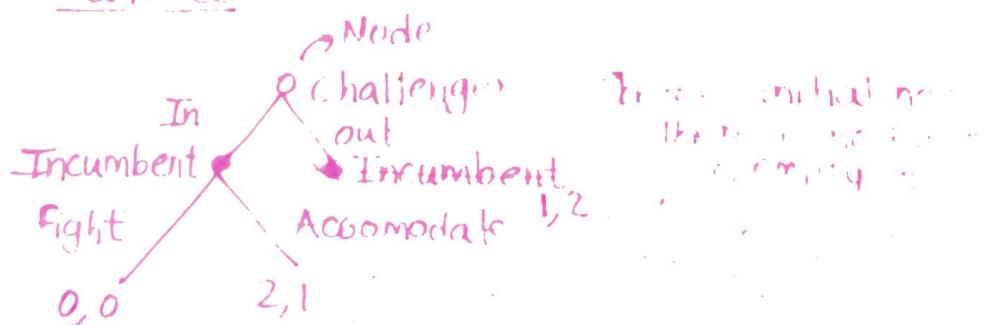
$$u_{\text{Ch}}(\text{out}) = 1$$

$$u_{\text{Inc}}(\text{out}) = 2$$

$$u_{\text{Inc}}(\text{In}, \text{Fight}) = 0$$

$$u_{\text{Inc}}(\text{In}, \text{Accommodate}) = 1$$

Game Tree



⇒ Action set keeps changing

⇒ The last one

last player has no moves,

then it's a terminal history for each player

for example if $A_1 = \{a_1^1, a_1^2, \dots\}$ is terminal history

then a_1^1 is a history, such that

If a_1^1 is a history, then

$$A_1(h) = \{a : (h, a) \text{ is a history}\}$$

1. Terminal history:

Any Terminal history is a sequence

of actions

(a^1, a^2, \dots, a^m) is a terminal history. m can be infinite.

$(a^1, a^2, \dots, a^m, \dots)$ is an infinite terminal history

⇒ If in a game, if all terminal histories are finite, such game is called finite horizon game.
(chess also by rules)

⇒ Finite horizon game and no. of terminal histories is finite, then game is called finite game.

Ex: choosing price of product is infinite game,
but could be finite horizon game.

2. Non-terminal history:

If (a^1, a^2, \dots, a^m) is a terminal history, then

$\emptyset, (a^1, a^2, \dots, a^k)$ (1 ≤ k ≤ m), are non-terminal histories

1. Extensive form game

- 2. Normal form game - denoted by matrix
of payoffs of the two players.
- 3. Two person zero sum game

- 4. A firm can implement a price freeze, a
Price increase or a price cut. The firm's
payoff depends on its strategy and
the other firm's strategy.

To find best response function
for firm 1

For $A_1 = \{a_1, a_2\}$

Change A_1 to $\{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$ and choose the best
strategy based on A_1 . If a_3 is chosen
payoff will be large so best move
will be a_3 and so on. This continues.

Backward Induction

- first do it in a sequential fashion (assuming
that all players choose their action
sequentially) (can called roll-back equilibrium)
- Player 2 prefers to capture the diamond
when 1 has chosen b or c .
- Player 1 prefers which take action a
as it is the dominant strategy here.

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C: Carl chooses person who makes first choice.
Rosa/ Ernesto

choose venue for a party
Berlin/ Havana

(choosing in a sequential manner)

$b > b$ Rosa prefers both choosing $h >$ than
when both choose different

Ernesto \Rightarrow $b > h > b >$ different

Carls \Rightarrow

1. Players: Karl, Rosa, Ernesto.

2. Terminal histories:

$(R, X, Y), (E, X, Y)$

$X = \text{Berlin, Havana}$
 $Y = \text{Berlin, Havana}$
 $R = \text{Rosa}$
 $E = \text{Ernesto}$

$\rightarrow 8$

3. Player functions:

$P(\phi) = \text{Karl}$

$P(R) = P(E, B) = P(E, H) = R$

$P(E) = P(R, B) = P(R, H) = E$

4. Preferences:

$u_1(X, H, H) = 2 \quad X = R, E$

$u_1(X, B, B) = 1$

$u_1(X, H, B) = 0$

$u_1(X, B, H) = 0$

$u_2(X, B, B) = 2$

$u_2(X, H, H) = 1$

$u_2(X, H, B) = 0$

$u_2(X, B, H) = 0$

$u_3(X, H, H) = 2$

$u_3(X, B, B) = 1$

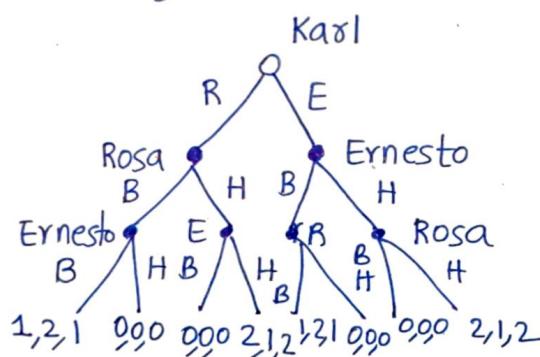
$u_3(X, H, B) = 0$

$u_3(X, B, H) = 0$

$1 = K$

$2 = R$

$3 = E$



\Rightarrow Backward Induction gives Havana outcome as equilibrium. (E, H, H)

A strategy:

defined for a particular player.

Player $i \rightarrow$ strategy s_i .

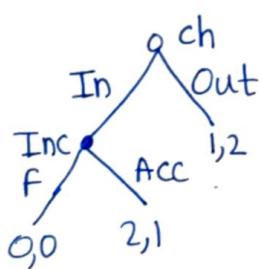
$\Rightarrow s_i$ contains his action, it specifies after each non-terminal history and he is the player, his action.

⇒ A player's strategy specifies her action for every non-terminal history, after which it is her turn to make a move.

h : non-terminal history, $P(h) = i$

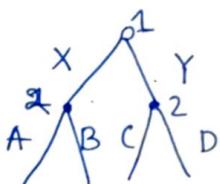
$s_i(h) \in A_i(h)$

might be single action / combination of different actions.



$$s_{ch} = (\text{In}), (\text{Out})$$

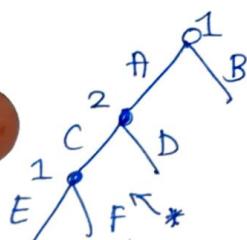
$$s_{Inc} = (\text{F}), (\text{Acc})$$



$$s_2 = (A, C), (A, D), (B, C), (B, D)$$

↓ left to right

⇒ strategy is similar to action in strategic game
 ⇒ combine strategies of different players
 - strategy profile.



$$s_1: (\text{B}), (A, E), (A, F), (B, E), (B, F)$$

↓ If pt game comes to *, player 1 chooses E, F

⇒ for every non-terminal history, give strategy

⇒ taking care of contingencies

strategy profile : $(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n) = s$

↓
generates terminal history

$$s_1 = (X), (Y)$$

$$s = (Y, AC)$$

$$P(\emptyset) = 1$$

$$s_1(\emptyset) = Y$$

$$P(Y) = 2$$

$$s_2(Y) = C \quad s_2 = AC$$

Terminal history : $(Y, C) \rightarrow$ outcome of strategy profile.

$$s \rightarrow h \text{ (terminal history)}$$
$$= \text{outcome} = O.$$

$$\Rightarrow u_i(O(s))$$

strategy, s_i

↓
strategy profile, s

↓
Outcome, $O(s)$

↓
Payoff, $u_i(O(s))$

⇒ The strategy profile s^* is a Nash equilibrium in an extensive game if

$$\forall i, \forall s_i \in S_i, u_i(O(s^*)) \geq u_i(O(s_i, s_{-i}^*))$$

strategy as action — same definition as in strategic game.

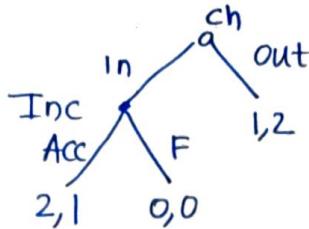
⇒ Construct the strategic form of an extensive game:

- Players : same as players in extensive game
- Actions : Action set of a player is set of all strategies in extensive game
- Preferences :

Payoff from an action profile is payoff from outcome generated by strategic profile in extensive game.

ex:

Entry game



$$S_{ch} : ((In), (Out)) \rightarrow A_{ch}$$

$$S_{Inc} : (Acc, F) \rightarrow A_{Inc}$$

$(In, Acc) \rightarrow (In, acc)$
 action profile strategy profile

⇒ In (out, F) , F is like threat given to challenger.

	Inc	
Ch	In	2, 1
	Out	1, 2
		1, 2

NE: $(In, Acc), (Out, F)$

Terminal history: (Out)

⇒ If actions are sequential, NE is not a robust: NE is stable, based on belief, action (optimal) steady is chosen. It also gets validated, so repeated.

(Out, F) F does not occur.

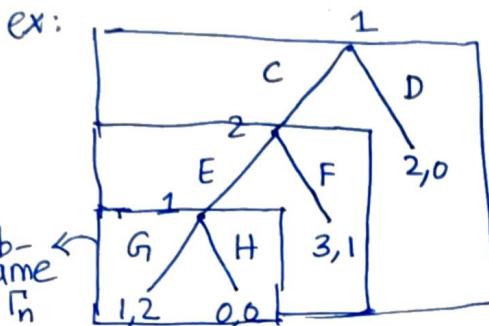
So no belief is formed.

So, foundation of this NE is not robust.
 Unable to interpret it as steady state.

↙ (ch)

Sometimes he chooses In by experiment/Mistake, then Incumbent chooses Accommodate (as its optimal) (empty threat F)

Hence, this NE is difficult to justify as Steady state outcome. This is not steady state.
 Not perturbed steady state.



a
sub-
game

Strategic form:

$$A_1 : S_1 : \{ CG, CH, DG, DH \}$$

$$A_2 : S_2 : \{ E, F \}$$

$$NE : (CH, F), (DG, E), \\ \rightarrow (DH, E).$$

Action/strategy profile

↓
generates
outcomes.

$$(CH, F) \xrightarrow{\text{Outcomes}} (C, F)$$

$$(DG, E) \xrightarrow{\text{Outcomes}} (D)$$

$$(DH, E) \xrightarrow{\text{Outcomes}} (D)$$

Preferences are represented by following payoff Table.

1

	E	F
CG	1, 2*	3*, 1
CH	0, 0	3*, 1*
DG	2*, 0	2, 0*
DH	2, 0*	2, 0*

Subgame Perfect Equilibrium (SPE)

Non-terminal-history, part of the game that comes after this is subgame.

Γ = game

Γ_h = subgame, where h is non-terminal history.

⇒ Game is a subgame of itself. others are proper subgame.

Subgame Γ_h

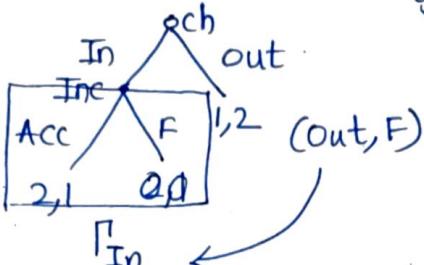
(h, h') is terminal history in Γ , then h' is terminal history in Γ_h .

1. Player set : same as Γ 's
2. Terminal histories
3. Player functions : same as Γ 's
4. Preferences: same as Γ 's.

$(h \succ_i h')$

\Rightarrow SPE generates equilibrium in every possible subgame
 ex: $\begin{array}{c} \text{In} & \text{out} \\ \text{In} & \text{Acc} \\ \text{F} & \text{2,1} \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{c} \text{In} & \text{out} \\ \text{In} & \text{Acc} \\ \text{F} & \text{2,1} \end{array}$

\rightarrow generates optimal outcome in every possible subgame.



\Downarrow This strategy profile is suboptimal.

$O_{In}(Out, F) = F$ (Suppose In is being played, then F will be played.)
 $O: In, F$

But $O_{In}(Out, Acc) = Acc$; $u_{Inc}(In, F) = 0 \rightarrow$ Not optimal as
 $u_{Inc}(In, Acc) = 1$
 $O: In, F$
 $\therefore (Out, F)$ is not SPE.

s is a strategy profile $\rightarrow O(s)$

h is a non-terminal history, not necessarily consistent with s .

$O_h(s)$: outcome that is generated if players stick to s , even if h has occurred.

$$s = (Out, F), h = In$$

$$O_{In}(Out, F) = In, F$$

$\Rightarrow s^*$ is a subgame perfect equilibrium if $\forall h \in i \text{ s.t } P(h)$
 $u_i(O_h(s^*)) \geq u_i(O_h(s_i, s_{-i}^*))$, $\forall s_i \in S_i$

s^* is NE if $\forall i$, $u_i(O(s^*)) \geq u_i(O(s_i, s_{-i}^*))$ (i.e $h = \emptyset$)
 $\text{So, SPE is also NE.}$

$$s = (Out, F) \rightarrow \text{Not SPE}$$

$$h = In$$

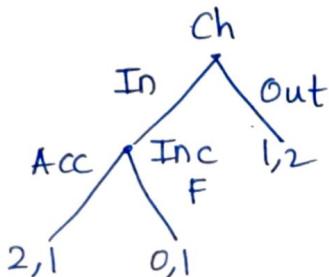
$$u_{Inc}(O_{In}(s)) = u_{Inc}(In, F) = 0$$

$u_{Inc}(O_{In}(s')) = u_{Inc}(In, Acc) = 1$ (Incumbent's strategy is changed, giving better payoff)
 $s': (Out, Acc)$

⇒ Along all possible paths, optimal outcomes/action is chosen.

(Out, F) is not perturbed steady state.

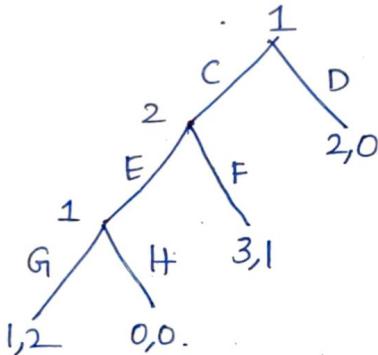
SPE's are perturbed steady state. Even if they deviate, actions taken by all players are optimal.



		Inc	
		Acc	F
Ch	In	2*, 1*	0, 1*
	Out	1, 2*	1, 2*

(In, Acc) > Both are NE's.
 (Out, F) . & both are SPE's.

ex:



NE: (CH, F) , (DG, E) , (DH, E)

$(CH, F) \rightarrow h = (C, E)$, if player 1 follows his strategy he gets 0 if he plays G_1 , he get 1. not optimal, So not SPE.

$(DG, E) \rightarrow$ If Player 2 deviates he gets less hist payoff.

for ϕ , no need to check, as its NE.

$(DH, E) \rightarrow$ not SPE, as player 1 can choose G_1 in $h = (C, E)$.

In a finite horizon game, the backward induction method will give same solution as SPE.

Unit length subgame

Subgame that follows $h: (C, E)$, $P(h)=1$

Optimal action of 1 after (C, E) : G

Subgame that follows $h: (c)$, $P(h)=2$

Optimal action of 2 after (c) : E

Subgame that follows $h: (\emptyset)$, $P(h)=1$

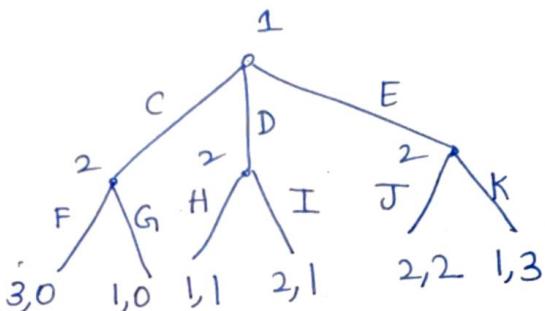
Optimal action of 1 after \emptyset : D

$$S^*: (DG_1, E)$$

$$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ S_1^* & S_2^* \end{matrix}$$

Player could be indifferent.

ex:



2 is ~~(C, FG, HI, K)~~

$3 \times 8 \rightarrow$ Payoff table.

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\langle \begin{array}{l} (C, FHK) \\ (C, FIK) \\ (C, GHIK) \\ (C, GHFK) \\ (D, FIK) \end{array} \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$h = C, P(h)=2$, optimal : F, G actions

$h = D, P(h)=2$, optimal : H, I actions

$h = E, P(h)=2$, optimal : K actions

Optimal strategy of 2

: $(FHK, FIK, GHIK, GIK)$

with each find
optimal strategy of 1

FHK : C

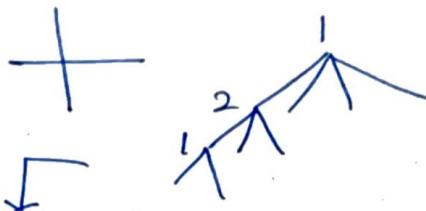
FIK : C

GHIK : C, D, E

GIK : D

$\underline{6} \rightarrow$ SPE's.

ex: Tic-Tac-Toe



$4 \times 3 \times 2 = 24$ terminal histories.

chess:

$$\begin{array}{r} w \rightarrow 20 \\ b \rightarrow 20 \\ \hline \downarrow 400 \end{array}$$

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Rotten kid problem:

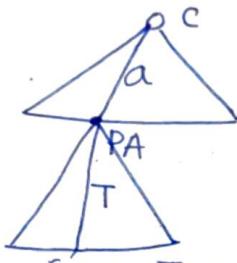
C (child) PA (parent)

$$\begin{array}{l} \downarrow \\ \text{action } a \longrightarrow p(a) \text{ (income of P)} \\ \downarrow c(\text{income}) = c(a) \end{array}$$

→ child is concerned
concerned of his
income.

→ Parents also care about children's income.

T: Transfer from PA to C.



$(c(a) + T, p(a) - T) \rightarrow$ payoff of children is
 $\min(c(a) + T, p(a) - T)$

subgame perfect → child maximizes his & parents
income.

$\Gamma(a)$: PA's optimal action

$$c(a) + T = p(a) - T$$

$$T = \frac{p(a) - c(a)}{2}$$

$\Gamma(a)$: C's optimal action?

$\Gamma(\phi)$: C's optimal action

$$\max_a [c(a) + T]$$

$$\Rightarrow = \max_a \left[\frac{1}{2}(p(a) + c(a)) \right]$$

Finite horizon
game & hence
can be solved.
through backward induction

10^{120} Terminal
histories are
possible.

10^{100} years by
computer

Stackelberg Duopoly

output levels are decided sequential

1. leader
2. follower

Terminal histories : (q_1, q_2) , $q_i \geq 0$

Player function : $P(\phi) = 1$, $P(q_i) = 2$

Preferences : Π_1 & Π_2 given by game tree.

$\Gamma(q_1)$: max Π_2 wrt q_2 .

$$b_2(q_1) = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha - c - q_1}{2} & \text{if } q_1 \leq \alpha - c \\ 0 & \text{if } q_1 > \alpha - c. \end{cases}$$

$\Pi(\phi)$:

max Π_1 wrt q_1 ,

$$\max_{q_1} \Pi_1(q_1, q_2) = \max_{q_1} \Pi_1\left(q_1, \frac{\alpha - c - q_1}{2}\right)$$

$$= \max_{q_1} \left[\frac{1}{2} q_1 (\alpha - c - q_1) \right]$$

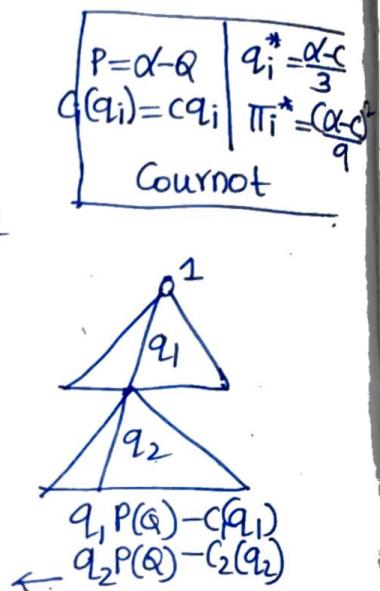
$$\Rightarrow q_1^S = \frac{\alpha - c}{2} \rightarrow \text{leader producing more}$$

$$\Rightarrow q_2^S = \frac{\alpha - c}{4} \rightarrow \text{follower producing less.}$$

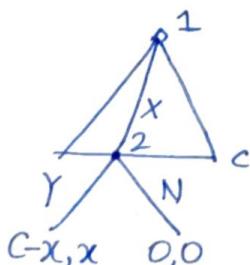
↓
First
mover
advantage

$$\Pi_1^S = \frac{(\alpha - c)^2}{8}$$

$$\Pi_2^S = \frac{(\alpha - c)^2}{16}$$



Ultimatum game



x is continuous $0 \leq x \leq c$.

SPE:

S_2^* : Y for all $x \geq 0 \rightarrow S_{21}^*$
 Y for all $x > 0, N$ for $x = 0 \rightarrow S_{22}^*$

$S_{21}^* \rightarrow X = 0$

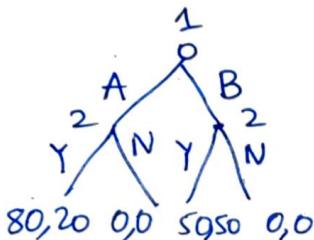
$S_{22}^* \rightarrow$ no optimal strategy for player 1.

Only SPE: $x=0 \in Y$ for all $x \geq 0$.

$s_1 \quad s_2$

If x is discrete:

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other SPE: smallest $x \neq 0$ & Y for all $x > 0$ &
non-zero N for $x=0$.



~~AY~~ ~~Y~~ $\underset{\text{SPE}}{=} (A, (YY))$

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AY - 12	11	7
AN - 7	4	5
BY - 21	12	15
BN - 1	0	1

→ reciprocity, sense of fairness