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Posting this here to hopefully get some discussion! Tried on SS, but that place is hit or miss. :)

Hello everyone! I've had some thoughts percolating for quite some time, and decided to try to put finger to keyboard and see if anything coherent comes out of it. It's part of my life-long quest to maybe form a wrinkle, that can then be passed on to others. Sharing is caring, after all.

Much of what has been playing out since January 2020 has seemed almost surreal. Is any of this really happening? How does no one else see how fraudulent the system is? Spoilers...everyone does, but until everyone knows everyone else knows, the game can continue. How does everyone know everyone else knows? With irrefutable proof, that can't be plausibly denied. As long as there's some ability to deny what we know to be fact (that the shorts never covered, let alone closed their positions), the game continues, with all the players hoping to still have a seat when the music stops. We've had many bumps along the way, and each time we thought we had an open net, the goal posts were moved on us. DRS is the way, and I can't wait to be amazed at how they try to weasel out of it, or what stunts they pull to try and delay the inevitable.

So, what's the point of this post? To bring up some valuable information on Game Theory. Why? Well, hopefully you'll agree with me that some very smart people, concocted a plan to play within the rules of a rigged system, and beat the house at it's own game. This is why this feels so scripted, so much like a simulation. Variables have been predicted and controlled for, and each domino that falls (some more significant than others), is another step towards the greatest transfer of wealth in history.

I wanted to summarize points about Game Theory from:

https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/game-theory/

However, for anyone truly interested, read the entire thing. It's long. It's informative. It speaks volumes about what I think is going on, and hopefully will illuminate some minds to the greater picture of what is happening.

The best summation I could find was from Wikipedia:

Game theory *is the study of* [*mathematical models*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mathematical_model) *of strategic interactions among* [*rational decision-makers*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rational_agent)*. It has applications in all fields of* [*social science*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Social_science)*, as well as in* [*logic*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Logic)*,* [*systems science*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Systems_science) *and* [*computer science*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Computer_science)*. Originally, it addressed* [*zero-sum games*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zero-sum_game)*, in which each participant's gains or losses are exactly balanced by those of other participants. In the 21st century, game theory applies to a wide range of behavioral relations, and is now an* [*umbrella term*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Umbrella_term) *for the* [*science*](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Science) *of logical decision making in humans, animals, and computers.*

In a nutshell, it means predicting behaviour based on variables and rational decision-makers. Of important note, is how decision trees are formed, and how signals can be used to notify other participants of a preferred outcome or strategy. The easiest way to see this is with the Prisoner's Dilema construct.

For those not familiar, here's wikipedia on the PD.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prisoner%27s_dilemma

Coles notes version:

Two members of a criminal organization are arrested and imprisoned. Each prisoner is in solitary confinement with no means of communicating with the other. The prosecutors lack sufficient evidence to convict the pair on the principal charge, but they have enough to convict both on a lesser charge. Simultaneously, the prosecutors offer each prisoner a bargain. Each prisoner is given the opportunity either to betray the other by testifying that the other committed the crime, or to cooperate with the other by remaining silent. The possible outcomes are:

- * If A and B each betray the other, each of them serves two years in prison
- * If A betrays B but B remains silent, A will be set free and B will serve three years in prison
- * If A remains silent but B betrays A, A will serve three years in prison and B will be set free
- * If A and B both remain silent, both of them will serve only one year in prison (on the lesser charge).

Seems simple enough, but the snag comes in how does A signal to B the best outcome? I'll let you all come to the conclusion of Apes Strong Together in your own way, but give the problem some thought. This can be expanded to social strife, where we all know the best course of action (infinity pool), and nefarious actors are aiming to create FUD (Fear, Uncertainty, Doubt) in our convictions and trust in one another, to effectively get us to snitch on our fellow Apes (paperhand).

Now if we step back, and look at this in a meta view, you can follow the Overstock case, and see the possible outs (legal challenges) being slowly taken off the board. Some very smart people synthesized a perfect storm, and Apes piled in because we love bananas (the stock). At every possible turn that an impediment has been thrown up (by bad actors/shills), the cavalry (good actors/good shills) comes to reassure us and keep us on the right path.

Did I mention everyone should read the first link on Game Theory? Because you should. It talks about things like **cheap talk** (The prisoners' agreement comes to naught because they have no way of enforcing it; their promises to each other constitute what game theorists call 'cheap talk.'). Who do we know that's been playing 69D chess, and how it relates to talk is cheap?

This could arguably be the greatest and most efficient takedown of Old Money via corporate warfare, within a rigged game, by some very intelligent, highly sophisticated, banana-hungry apes that want to see the world prosper, and have the courage and fortitude to not only imagine a better world, but to actively try to raise up others while teaching them about this new world, that was previously reserved only for the elites. Thing of all the DD and counter-DD that deal with psychological effects and the training to spot FUD. Recognizing it, and not letting it take hold. Trusting in your fellow apes, as well as proven experts, and rejecting the shills with their own agendas.

TLDR: Some smart people are employing game theory to beat the house at it's own game.