Evolution of Cooperation (Section 5)

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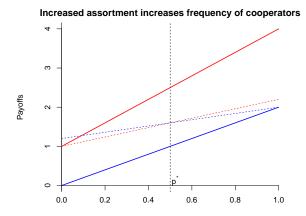
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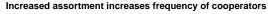
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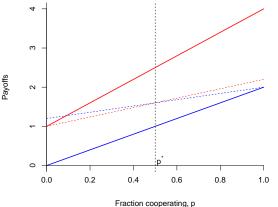
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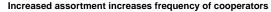
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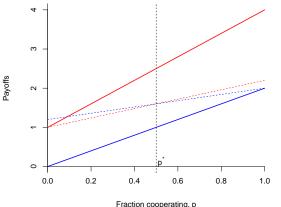
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- $p^* = .50$ is stable equilibrium (Why?)

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- 1.6 > 0.8 at $\alpha = 0.6$, $p^* = 0.5$