

# Simultaneous Play Games

		II		
		R	P	S
I	Rock	0, 0	-1, 1	1, -1
	Paper	1, -1	0, 0	-1, 1
	Scissors	-1, 1	1, -1	0, 0

zero-sum = I's reward + II's reward = 0

payoff matrix for I

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

II's payoffs

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$a_{ij}$  = payoff for I if I plays i + II plays j

zero-sum  $a_{ij} + b_{ij} = 0 \quad \forall i, j$

constant-sum  $a_{ij} + b_{ij} = C \quad \forall i, j$

constant-sum game A w/ constant C

- 1) play zero-sum game on A-C
- 2) award player II C points

## Penalty Kick

		II goalkeeper	
		L	R
I - taking shot	L	$\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}$
	R	$\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{6}, -\frac{1}{6}$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{6} \end{pmatrix}$$

		II			
		W	X	Y	Z
I	A	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
	B	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
	C	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$

## Stag Hunt

		S	H
I	Stag	2, 2	0, 1
	Hare	1, 0	1, 1

non-constant sum

$R > T = P > S$

## Prisoner's Dilemma

		Coups	Defect
I	Coups	R 3, 3	S 0, 5
	Defect	T 5, 0	P 1, 1

$T > R > P > S$

reward = years off prison sentence

R = reward for cooperating  
 P = "punishment" for defecting  
 S = reward for being a sucker (coop while partner defects)  
 T = reward for giving in to temptation (defect while partner coop)

		R	P	S	
Rock	Rock	0	-1	1	-1
	Paper	1	0	-1	-1
	Scissors	-1	1	0	-1

$v^- = 1$     $v^- = -1$

$v^-$  amt I guaranteed to win =  $\max_i \min_j a_{ij}$

$v^+$  = ceiling on what II gives up =  $\min_j \max_i a_{ij}$

equilibrium

		W	X	Y	Z
I	A	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
	B	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
	C	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$

$v^- = -\frac{1}{2}$     $v^+ = \frac{2}{3}$

For any constant-sum game,  $v^- \leq v^+$

$\forall i, j \quad \min_j a_{ij} \leq a_{ij} \quad (\text{def min})$

$\forall j \quad \max_i \min_j a_{ij} \leq \max_i a_{ij}$

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$v^- \leq v^+$

Saddle point: where neither player has incentive to unilaterally change strategy (equilibrium) → pair of strategies where if 1 player changes and other doesn't, reward for ...

$i^*, j^*$  is saddle point  $a_{i^*j^*} \leq a_{i^*j} \leq a_{i^*j^*}$

changer is no better

A constant-sum game  $A$  has a saddle point in pure strategies if and only if  $v^- = v^+$

$\Rightarrow$ : Suppose  $A$  has a saddle point in pure strategies.

$\rightarrow$  always pick one row or column

Then  $\exists i^*, j^*$  s.t.  $a_{i^*j^*} \leq a_{i^*j}$  for all  $j$ ;  $a_{i^*j^*} \leq a_{ij^*}$  for all  $i$

so  $\max_i a_{ij^*} \leq a_{i^*j^*}$  for all  $i$ ;  $a_{i^*j^*} \leq \min_j a_{i^*j}$  for all  $j$

↑ bigger than all in max

↓ smaller than all in min

and  $\min_j \max_i a_{ij} \leq \max_i a_{ij^*}$  (terms in min);  $\min_j a_{i^*j} \leq \max_i \min_j a_{ij}$  (terms in max)

so  $v^+ \leq \max_i a_{ij^*} \leq a_{i^*j^*} \leq \min_j a_{i^*j} \leq v^-$

but  $v^- \leq v^+$  so all  $\leq$  are = (squeeze)

$\Leftarrow$  Suppose  $v^- = v^+$ . Let  $i^*$  be the  $i$  s.t.  $v^- = \max_i \min_j a_{ij}$   
 $j^*$  be the  $j$  s.t.  $v^+ = \min_j \max_i a_{ij}$

$$a_{i^*j^*} \geq \min_j a_{i^*j} = v^- = v^+ = \max_i a_{ij^*} \geq a_{i^*j^*}$$

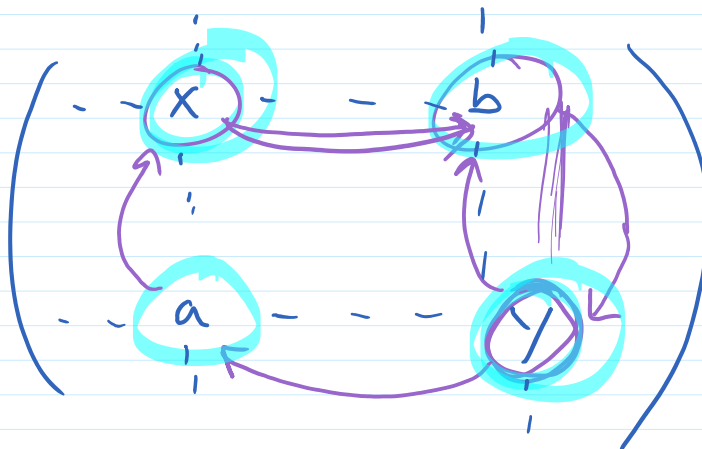
$$a_{i^*j^*} \geq v^+ = v^- \geq a_{i^*j^*}$$

and  $\geq$  are = squeeze

$$\therefore v^+ = v^- = a_{i^*j^*}$$

$$a_{ij^*} \leq a_{i^*j^*} \leq a_{i^*j} \text{ for all } i, j$$

Suppose there are 2 saddle points in pure strategies  $(i_1, j_1)$  and  $(i_2, j_2)$   
 with values  $a_{i_1j_1} = v_1$  and  $a_{i_2j_2} = v_2$



$$x \leq b \leq y \leq a \leq x$$

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# Mixed Strategies -

probability distribution over rows or columns

	R	P	S
Rock	0	-1	1
Paper	1	0	-1
Scissors	-1	1	0

$X = (x_1 \dots x_n)$   
 $Y = (y_1 \dots y_m)$   
 $0 \leq x_i, y_j \leq 1$   
 $\sum x_i = 1 = \sum y_j$   
 I chooses i w/ prob  $x_i$   
 II chooses j w/ prob  $y_j$

$x^* = (\frac{1}{3} \ \frac{1}{3} \ \frac{1}{3}) = y^*$

$E(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m P(\text{I plays } i, \text{ II plays } j) \cdot a_{ij}$   
 $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m P(\text{I plays } i) P(\text{II plays } j) \cdot a_{ij}$   
 $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m a_{ij} \cdot x_i \cdot y_j$

↑  
expected reward for I

$= X A Y^T$   
 $(\frac{1}{3} \ \frac{1}{3} \ \frac{1}{3}) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} = (0 \ 0 \ 0) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} = 0$

$\frac{1}{3} \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{3} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{3} \cdot -1$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $0 \ 0 \ 0$

	R	P	S
Rock	0	-1	1
Paper	1	0	-1
Scissors	-1	1	0

$x^*, y^*$  is a saddle point in mixed strategies  
 if and only if  $\text{II changes - worse for II (better for I)}$   
 $E(x, y^*) \leq E(x^*, y^*) \leq E(x^*, y)$  for all  $x, y$   
 I changed worse for I

Every game has a saddle point in mixed strategies

Equilibrium Theorem: If  $x^*, y^*$  is a saddle point in mixed strategies for  $A$   
with  $x_i > 0$   $y_j > 0$  then

$$E(x^*, j) = E(i, y^*) = \text{value}(A)$$

Best Response: Best response to a mixed strategy  $X$  is  $Y$  that maximizes  $XA Y^T$

Strategies in saddle point are best responses to each other

## Finding Saddle Points in Mixed Strategies

Then:  $X^*, Y^*$  is a saddle point in mixed strategies and  $\text{value}(A) = E(X^*, Y^*)$

$$E(i, Y^*) \leq E(X^*, Y^*) \leq E(X^*, j) \quad \text{for all } i, j$$

pure strategy: col j all the time  
 $Y = (0 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0 \ \dots \ 1 \ \dots \ 0)$   
 ↑  
 column j

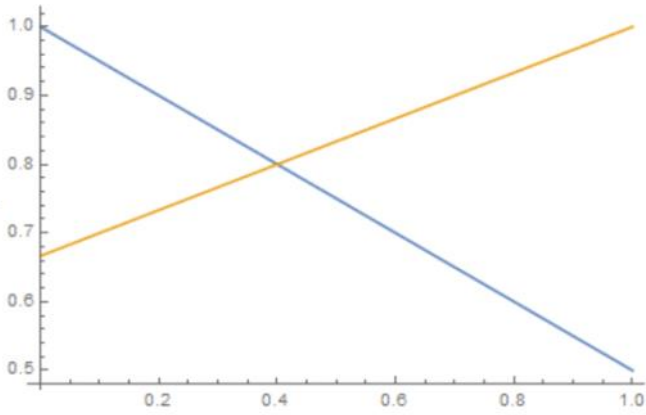
	F	C	S
F	0.30	0.25	0.20
C	0.26	0.33	0.28
S	0.28	0.30	0.33

Suppose there are two saddle points in mixed strategies  $(X_1^*, Y_1^*)$   $(X_2^*, Y_2^*)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_1^*, Y_2^*) &\leq E(X_2^*, Y_2^*) \\ &\leq E(X_2^*, Y_1^*) \\ &\leq E(X_1^*, Y_1^*) \\ &\leq E(X_1^*, Y_2^*) \end{aligned}$$

Can use to find solutions

	L	R
L	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
R	1	$\frac{2}{3}$



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

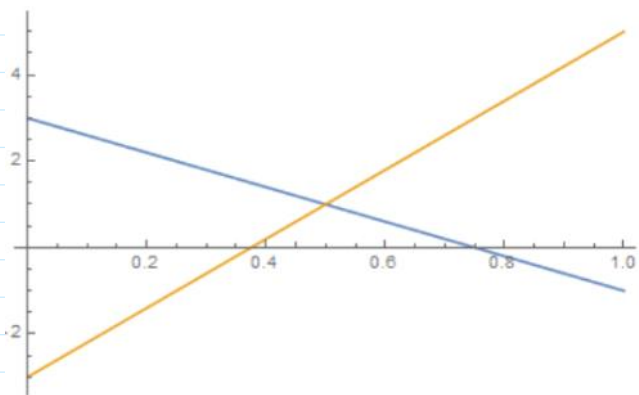
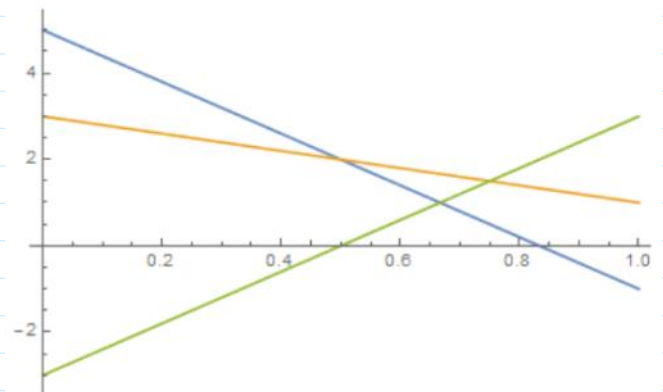
$$E(x,1) =$$

$$E(x,2) =$$

$$E(x,3) =$$

$$E(1,y) =$$

$$E(2,y) =$$



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$