

Solutions Exam 2017 (answers only)

1) a) $NE = \{(0,1), (1,0), ((1,0), (0,1)), (\frac{1}{5}, \frac{4}{5}), (\frac{4}{5}, \frac{1}{5})\}$

b) $CE = \text{all } (p_{11}, p_{12}, p_{21}, p_{22}) \geq 0 \text{ w. } \sum p_{ij} = 1 \text{ and}$
 $p_{12} \geq 4p_{11}, p_{22} \leq 4p_{21}, p_{21} \geq 4p_{11}, p_{22} \leq 4p_{12},$
 For example $(\frac{0}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, \frac{3}{5})$. The latter has
 $\text{rank} > 1$, so it is not a NE.

c) none of the implications is true, for example take a game where player 1 has one strategy only, and players 2,3 play a prisoner's dilemma. Then G and G' have no Nash equilibrium in common.

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1, -1 & -10, 0 \\ 0, -10 & -9, -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

d) same example as above, and note that the CE of a prisoner's dilemma is exactly (and only) the unique NE (show that!)

2) b) $C = \text{conv} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

a) show that all $w \in G, G$ permutation, are $\in C$, then Weber Set $W \subseteq C$, so $W = C$, so game is convex.

d) $y(N) = \sum_{i \in N} \frac{w_i^2}{\sum_{j \in N} w_j^2} w(N) = w(N).$

i, j symm. $\Leftrightarrow w(S \cup i) = w(S \cup j) \quad \forall S \ni i, j$. Now

$w(\emptyset \cup i) = w(i)$, so $w(S \cup i) = w(S \cup j) \Rightarrow w(i) = w(j) \Rightarrow y_i(w) = y_j(w).$

e) $y_1(v) = -7 \left(\frac{9}{50} \right), y_2(v) = -7 \left(\frac{16}{50} \right), y_3(v) = -7 \left(\frac{25}{50} \right)$

Now $\left. \begin{array}{l} -3 \leq y_1(v) \leq -1 \\ -4 \leq y_2(v) \leq -1 \\ -5 \leq y_3(v) \leq -2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow y(v) \in C.$

3] Use the following:

* $i \notin T \Rightarrow i$ is null player $\Rightarrow \phi_i(u_T) = 0$

* $i, j \in T \Rightarrow i, j$ are symmetric $\Rightarrow \phi_i(u_T) = 1/|T|$.

4] (a) MR - decision rule: Markovian & randomized

e.g. $d(1) = \begin{cases} T & \text{with prob. } \frac{1}{2} \\ B & \text{with prob. } \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$ (player 1)

$d(2) = a$

HD - decision rule: history-dependent & deterministic

e.g. $d(1) = \begin{cases} T & \text{if } B \text{ was selected previously in } s=1 \\ B & \text{else} \end{cases}$

$d(2) = a$.

(b) $v_\beta = (2\frac{1}{2}, 2)$

Optimal strategies:

player 1 (f^∞) with $f = ((\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{4}), (1))$

player 2 (g^∞) with $g = ((\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}), (1))$.

(c) Use the following:

Horizon $T \geq 1$: $v_{\beta,1}(s) = \max_{a \in A_s} \left\{ r(s, a) + \beta \sum_{s'} p(s'|s, a) v_\beta(s') \right\}$

Infinite horizon:

$v_\beta(s) = \max_{a \in A_s} \left\{ r(s, a) + \beta \sum_{s'} p(s'|s, a) v_\beta(s') \right\}$.

5. States $s = (j, a, b, t)$

j = player who has the dice ($j=1,2$)

a = accumulated score of player 1, $a < 100$

b = acc. score of player 2, $b < 100$

t = turn score of player j . $\begin{cases} \text{if } j=1: 0 \leq t \leq 105-a \\ \text{if } j=2: 0 \leq t \leq 105-b \end{cases}$

(accumulated score of a player ≥ 100 , then game over)

Actions if at play: to roll, or to stop

If not at play: to wait

Payoff: goal: maximize probability of winning

(zero-sum) $r_1(s) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s = (1, a, b, t) \text{ with } a+t \geq 100 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$

$r_2(s) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s = (2, a, b, t) \text{ with } b+t \geq 100 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$

or different

Prob. transitions

Player 1. action = to stop

$$(1, a, b, t) \xrightarrow{\text{prob. 1}} (2, a+t, b, 0)$$

action = to roll

$$(1, a, b, t) \begin{cases} \xrightarrow{1/6} (2, a, b, 0) & (\text{acc}) \\ \xrightarrow{1/6} (1, a, b, t+i), \quad i=2, \dots, 6. \end{cases}$$

similarly for player 2.