

Game theory 2

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Sum-up of the previous lecture

Opponent

		s_1	s_3
Me	s_2	0, 3	6, 4
	s_3	1, 5	5, 2

Social welfare

Social welfare

- Situation where **sum of all payoffs** of an outcome is at its **maximum**
- Might lead to rationally unstable solutions
- Does not provide a solid analytical tool

Game M

		B	
		Right	Left
A	Right	2 , 2	0 , 0
	Left	0 , 0	1 , 1

Game M – Social welfare

B

		Right	Left
A	Right	4	0
	Left	0	2

Game N

		B	
		l	r
A	L	2, 2	4, 0
	R	2, 3	8, -1

Game N – Social welfare

A

B

		B	
		l	r
A	L	4	4
	R	5	7

Prisoner's dilemma – Social welfare

		B	
		c	d
A	C	5, 5	0, 7
	D	7, 0	3, 3

Prisoner's dilemma – Social welfare

B

		c	d
A	C	10	7
	D	7	6

Prisoner's dilemma – Social welfare

		B	
		c	d
A	C	5, 50	0, 70
	D	7, 0	3, 30

The table illustrates a Prisoner's dilemma game. The row player (A) chooses between C and D, and the column player (B) chooses between c and d. The payoffs are shown as (A's payoff, B's payoff). The cell (D, d) with payoffs (3, 30) is highlighted in yellow, indicating it is the socially optimal outcome.

Prisoner's dilemma – Social welfare

A

		B	
		c	d
C	C	55	70
	D	70	33

Prisoner's dilemma – Social welfare

B

		B	
		C	d
A	C	50, 5	0, 7
	D	70, 0	30, 3

Prisoner's dilemma – Social welfare

		B	
		c	D
A	C	55	7
	D	70	33

Pareto efficiency

Game M

		B	
		Right	Left
A	Right	2 , 2	0 , 0
	Left	0 , 0	1 , 1

Game M

		B	
		Right	Left
A	Right	2 , 2	0, 0
	Left	0, 0	1 , 1

Game M – pure strategy equilibriums

B

		B	
		Right	Left
A	Right	2, 2	0, 0
	Left	0, 0	1, 1

Pareto efficiency

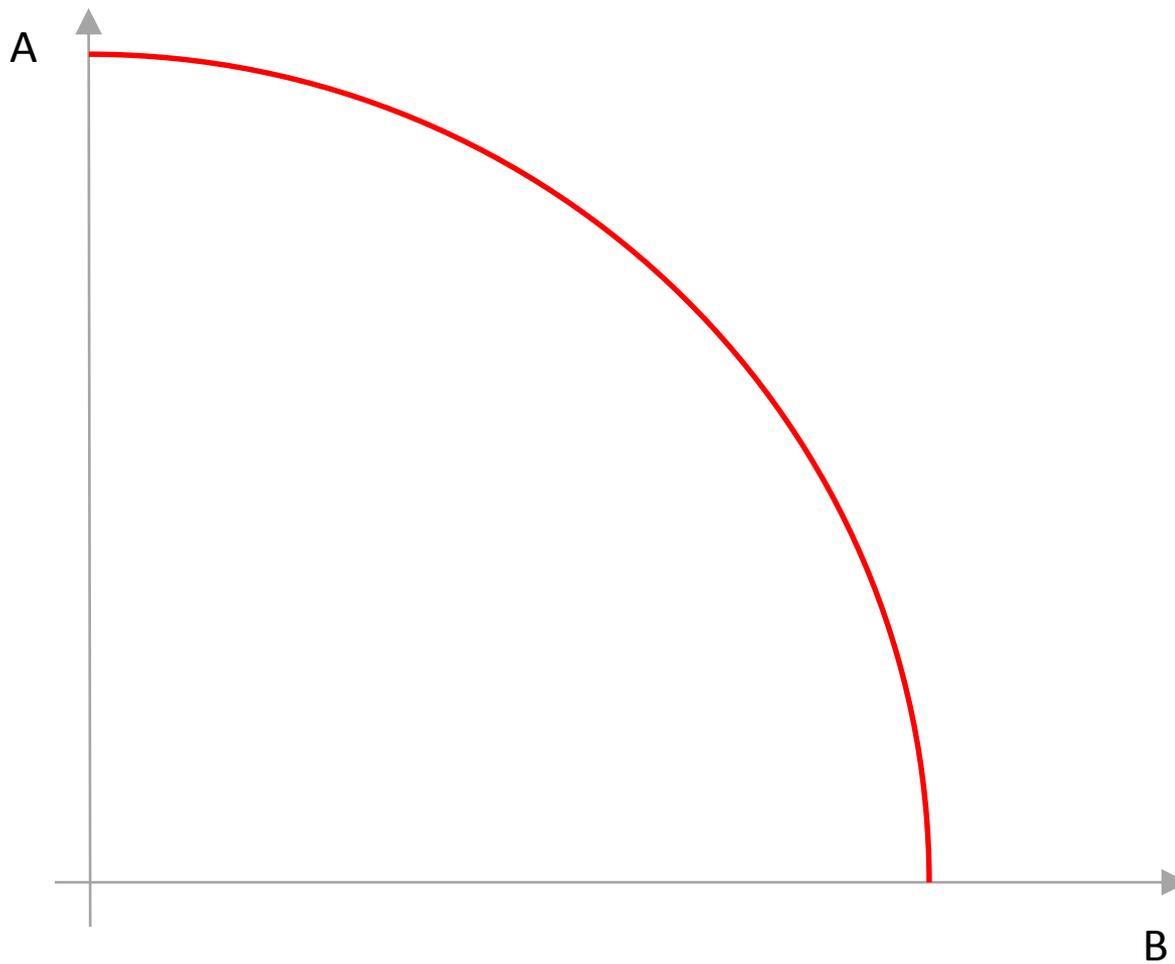
- Outcome is Pareto efficient (Pareto optimal), if there is **no other outcome** which is **better or equal for all players** and **strictly better for some player**
- Conversely, outcome A is **Pareto dominated**, if there is outcome B that makes **all players as good** (weakly better) and **one player strictly better** compared to outcome A
- **Pareto dominated** outcome is **not Pareto efficient**
- Might lead to rationally unstable solutions

Game M – Pareto efficiency

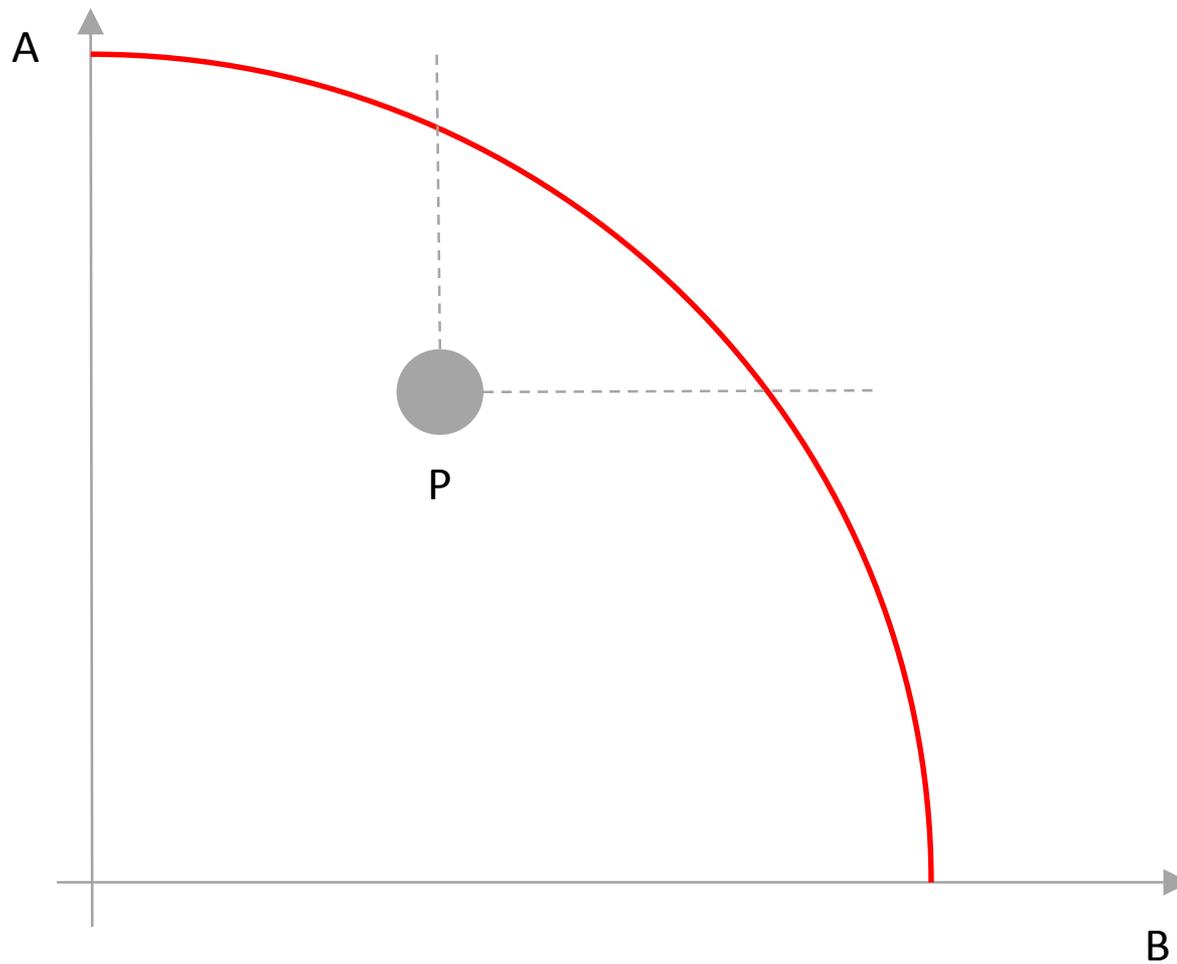
B

		B	
		Right	Left
A	Right	2, 2	0, 0
	Left	0, 0	1, 1

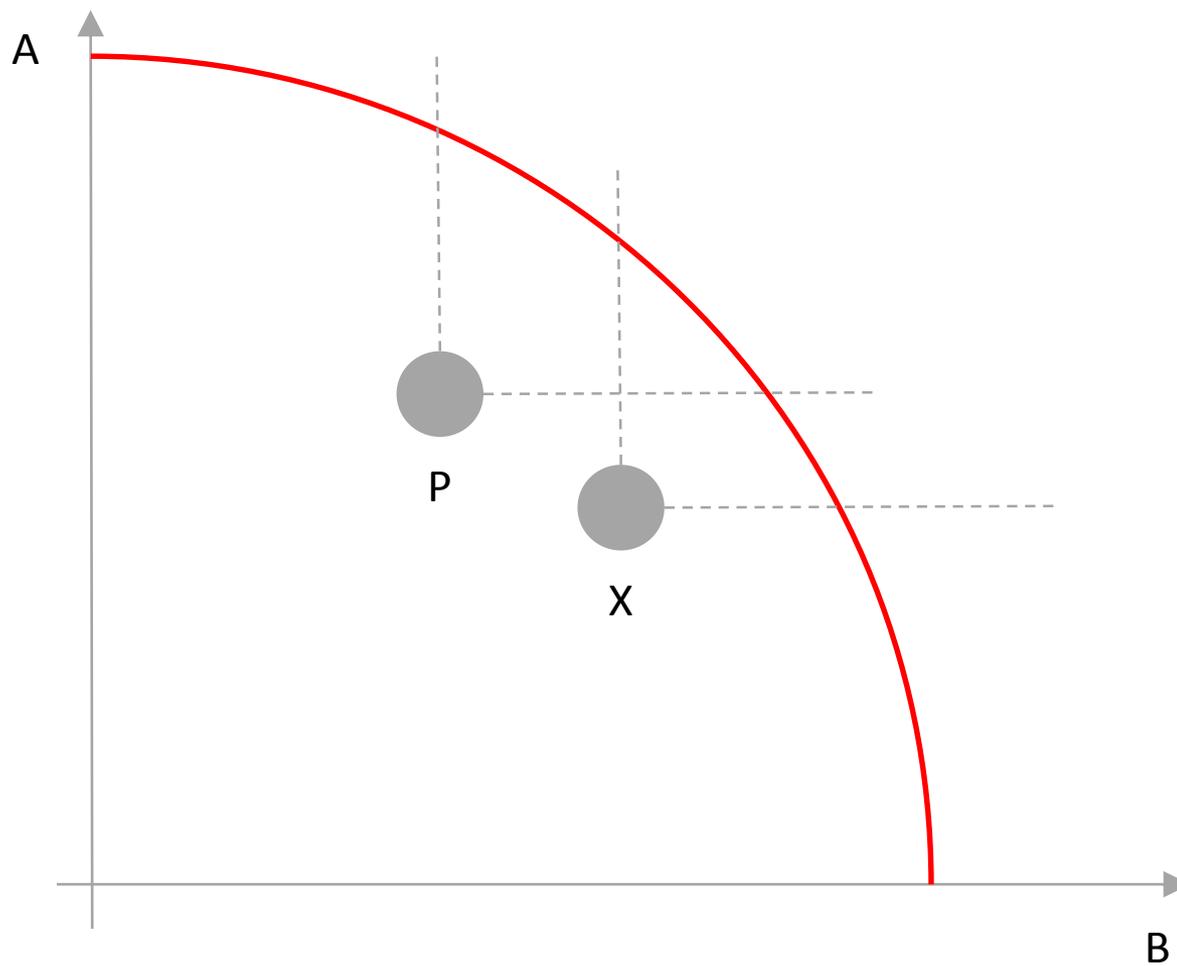
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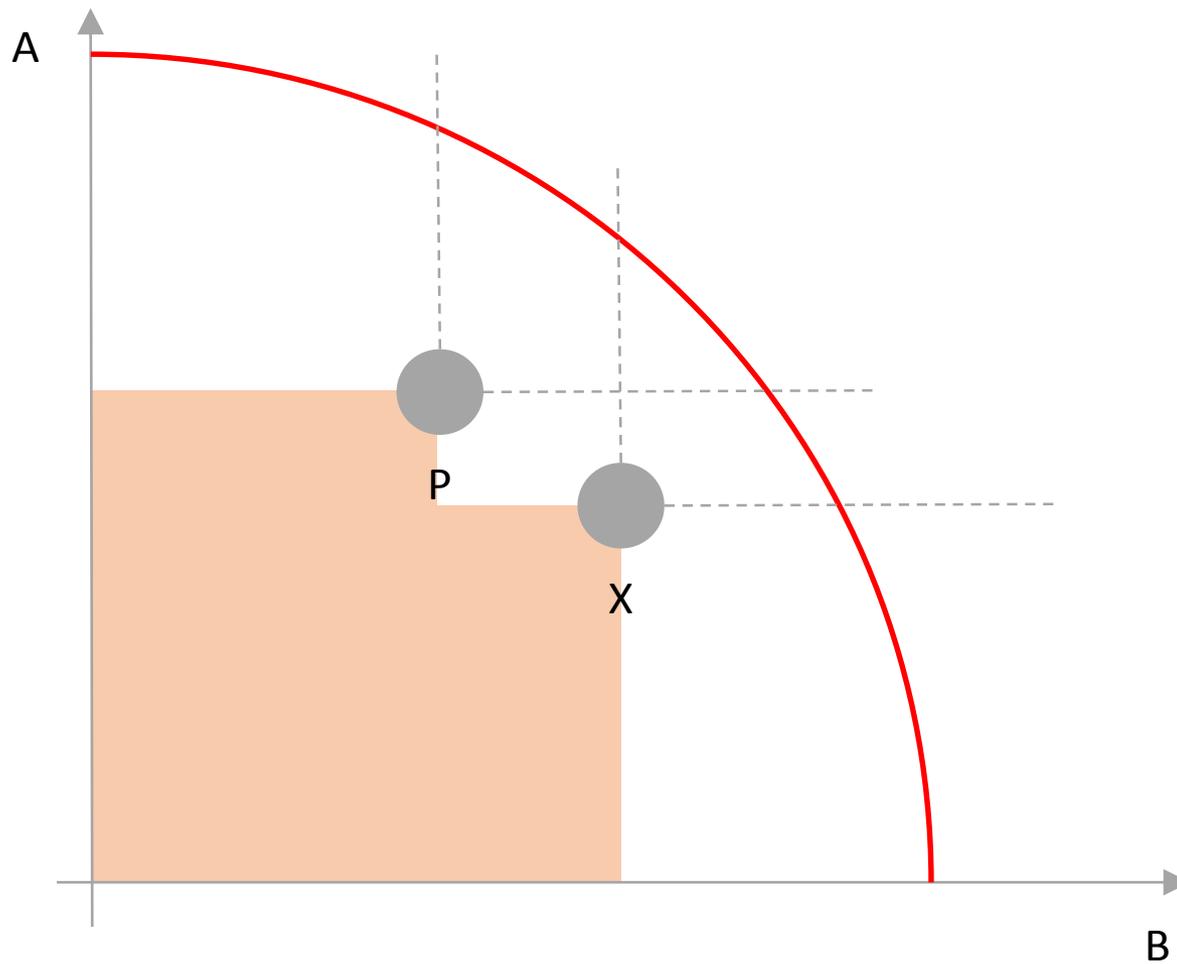
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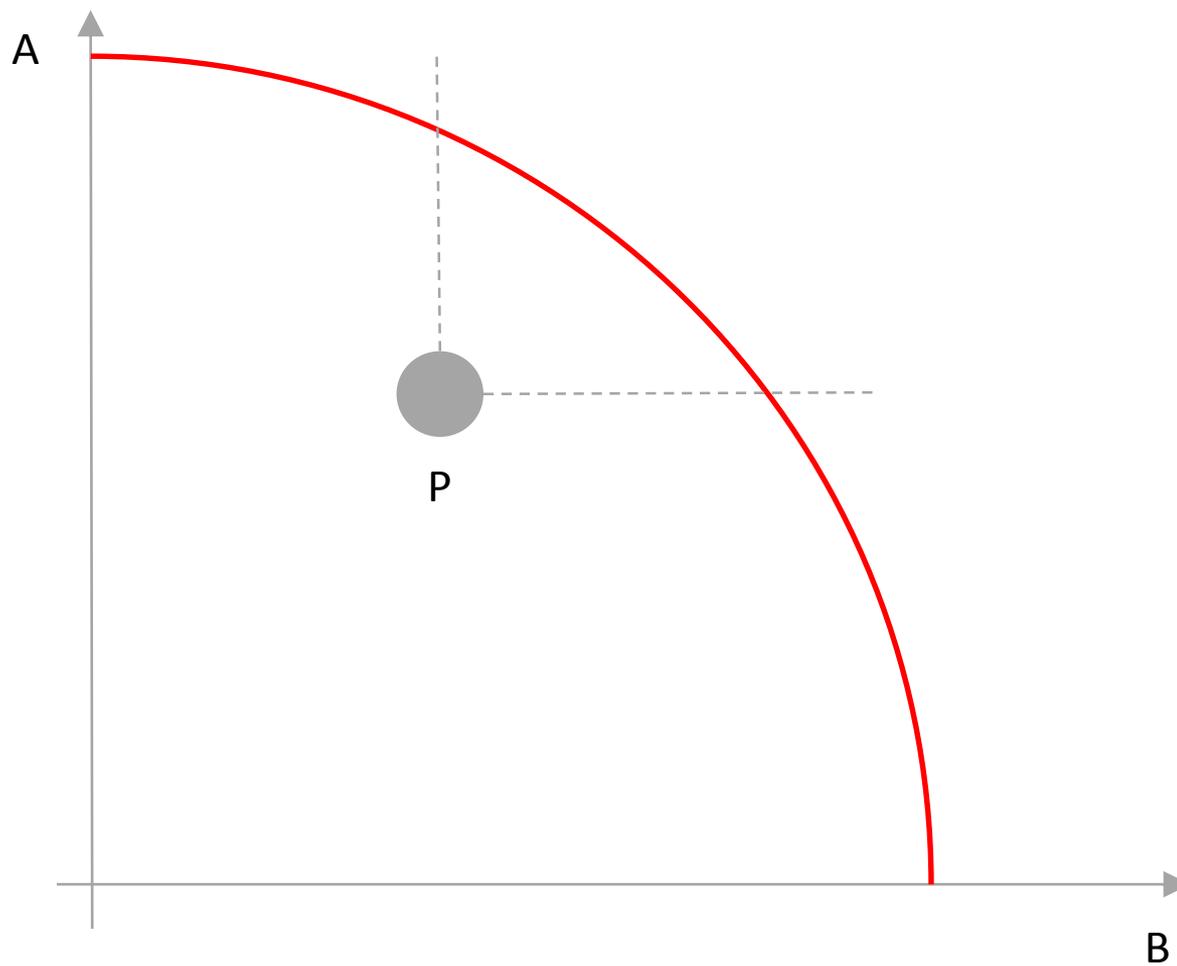
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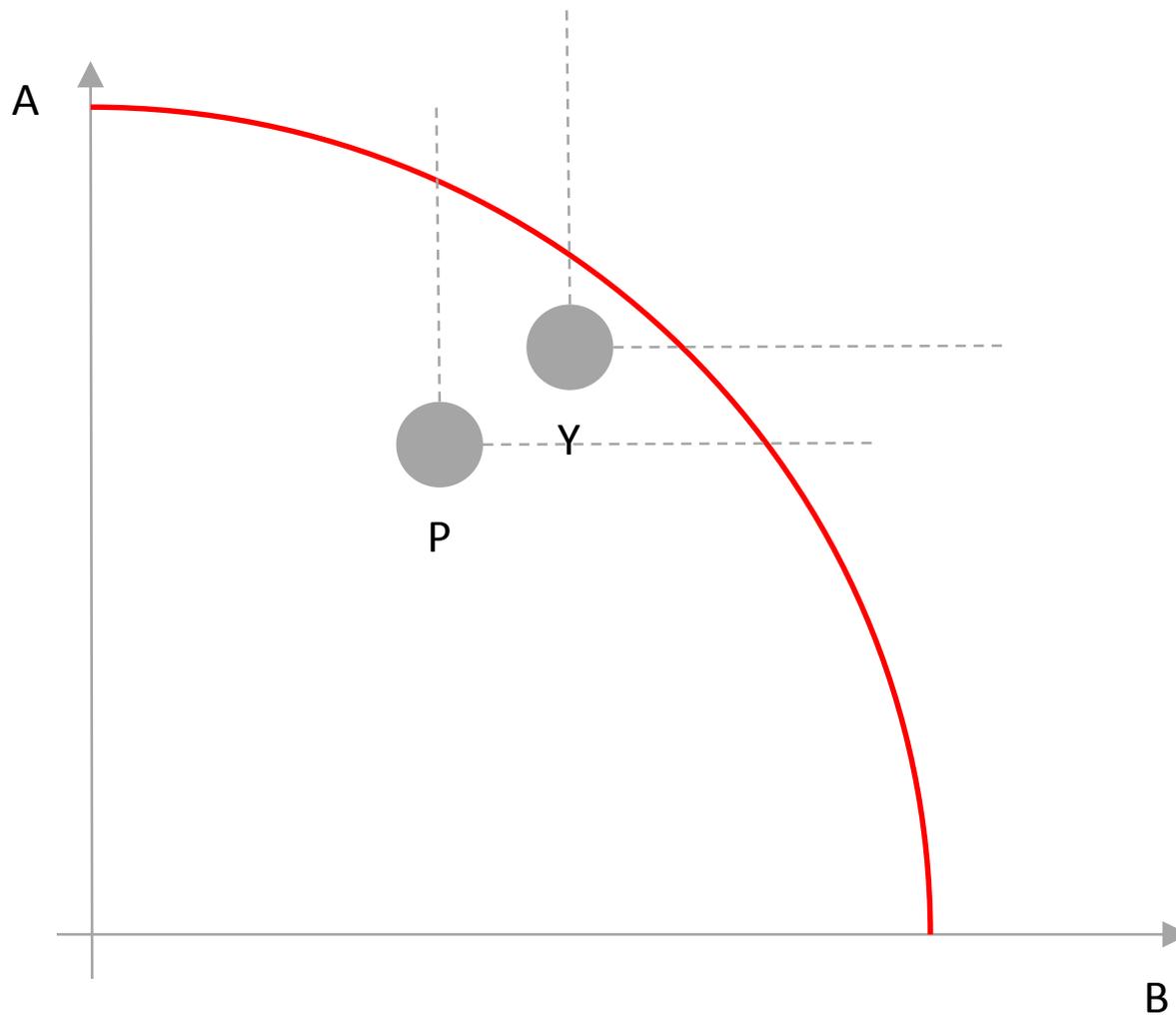
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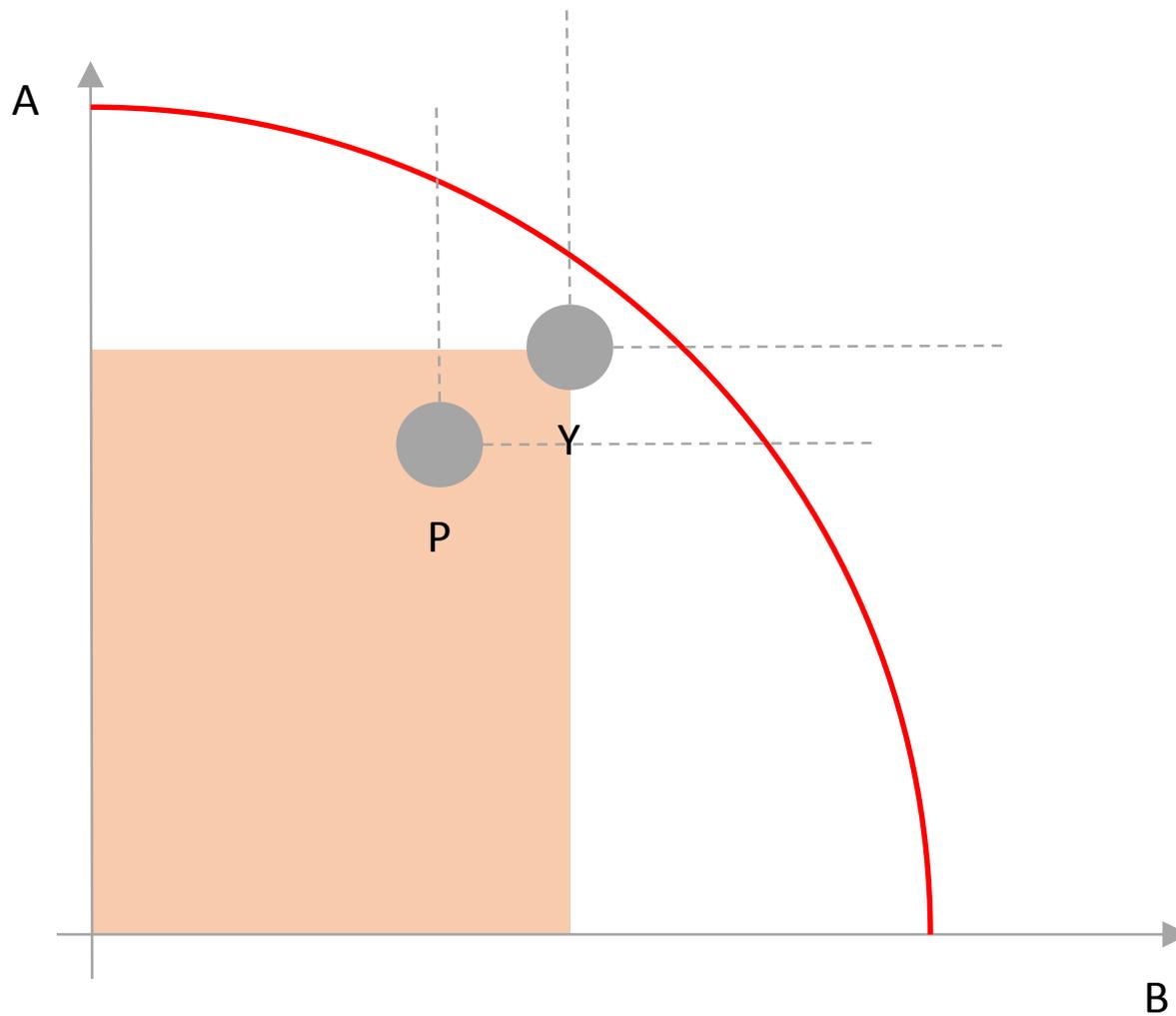
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Pareto efficiency



Pareto efficiency



Search for Pareto-dominated
outcomes

Prisoner's dilemma – Pareto efficiency

B

		B	
		c	d
A	C	5, 5	0, 7
	D	7, 0	3, 3

Prisoner's dilemma – Pareto efficiency

B

		B	
		c	d
A	C	5, 5	0, 7
	D	7, 0	3, 3

Prisoner's dilemma – Pareto efficiency

B

		B	
		c	d
A	C	5, 5	0, 7
	D	7, 0	3, 3

Game N

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		l	r
A	L	2, 2	4, 0
	R	2, 3	8, -1

Game N – Pareto efficiency

B

		B	
		l	r
A	L	2, 2	4, 0
	R	2, 3	8, -1

Game N – Pareto efficiency

B

		B	
		l	r
A	L	2, 2	4, 0
	R	2, 3	8, -1

Pareto optimality a solid tool for
comparing equilibriums

Mixed-strategy
Nash equilibrium

Matching pennies

- Two players
- Players choose heads or tails
- If players match heads/tails, I (Player 1) win both coins
- If players don't match heads/tails, opponent (Player 2) wins both coins

Matching pennies

My pair

		My pair	
		Heads	Tails
Me	Heads	1, -1	-1, 1
	Tails	-1, 1	1, -1

Matching pennies – Pareto efficiency

My pair

		My pair	
		Heads	Tails
Me	Heads	1, -1	-1, 1
	Tails	-1, 1	1, -1

Matching pennies

My pair

		My pair	
		Heads	Tails
Me	Heads	1, -1	-1, 1
	Tails	-1, 1	1, -1

Matching pennies – mixed strategy

My pair

		My pair	
		Heads (0.5)	Tails (0.5)
Me	Heads (0.5)	1, -1	-1, 1
	Tails (0.5)	-1, 1	1, -1

Calculation
of mixed-strategy NE

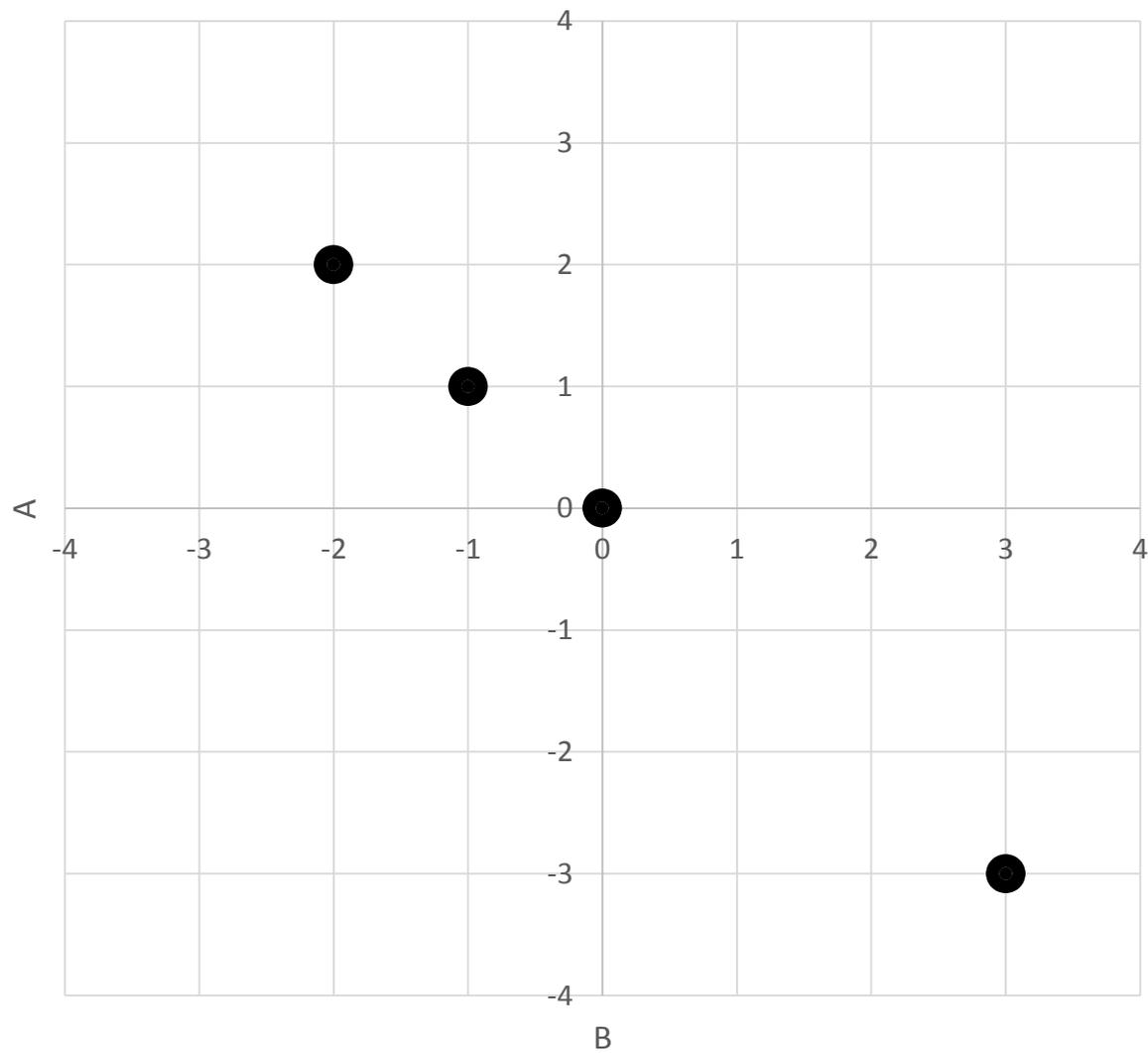
Game Y

		B	
		L	R
A	U	3, -3	-2, 2
	D	-1, 1	0, 0

Game Y – Pareto efficiency

		B	
		L	R
A	U	3, -3	-2, 2
	D	-1, 1	0, 0

Game Y – Pareto efficiency?



Game Y

		B	
		L (q)	R (1 - q)
A	U (p)	3 , -3	-2 , 2
	D (1 - p)	-1 , 1	0 , 0

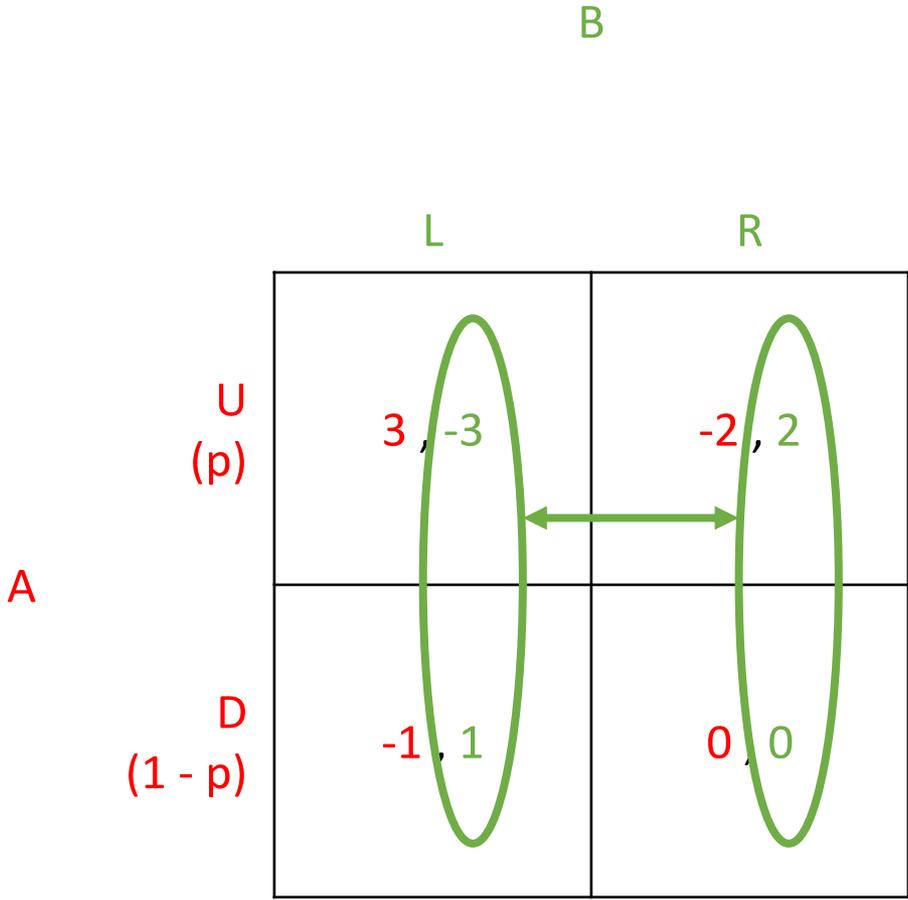
Game Y – Player A

- Player **A** plans to mix **Up** and **Down** strategy at a certain ratio **p**
- Player **B** might play **Left** or **Right**
- Player **A** must find such a **probability** of playing **U** and **D** that makes Player **B** **indifferent** to selecting **L** or **R**
- Player **B** **has to gain same utility** from B's choice **Left** and **Right**
 - $EU_L = EU_R$
- Expected utility of Player B choosing Left:
 - $EU_L = f(p)$
- Expected utility of Player B choosing Right:
 - $EU_R = f(p)$

Game Y

		B	
		L	R
A	U (p)	3, -3	-2, 2
	D (1 - p)	-1, 1	0, 0

Game Y



Game Y - Player A's strategy

- EU_L :
 - Some % of time (p) gets B utility -3
 - Rest of the time ($1 - p$) gets B utility 1

- $EU_L = (p) * (-3) + (1 - p) * (1)$

- $EU_L = -3p + 1 - p$

- $EU_L = 1 - 4p$

		B	
		L (q)	R ($1 - q$)
A	U (p)	3, -3	-2, 2
	D ($1 - p$)	-1, 1	0, 0

Game Y - Player A's strategy

- EU_R :
 - Some % of time (p) gets B utility 2
 - Rest of the time ($1 - p$) gets B utility 0

- $EU_R = (p) * (2) + (1 - p) * (0)$

- $EU_R = 2p + 0 - 0p$

- $EU_R = 2p$

		B	
		L (q)	R ($1 - q$)
A	U (p)	3, -3	-2, 2
	D ($1 - p$)	-1, 1	0, 0

Player A's strategy – making B indifferent

Comparison of EU_L with EU_R

- $EU_L = 1 - 4p$

- $EU_R = 2p$

- $EU_L = EU_R$

- $1 - 4p = 2p \quad +4p$

- $1 = 6p \quad /6$

- $p = \mathbf{1/6}$

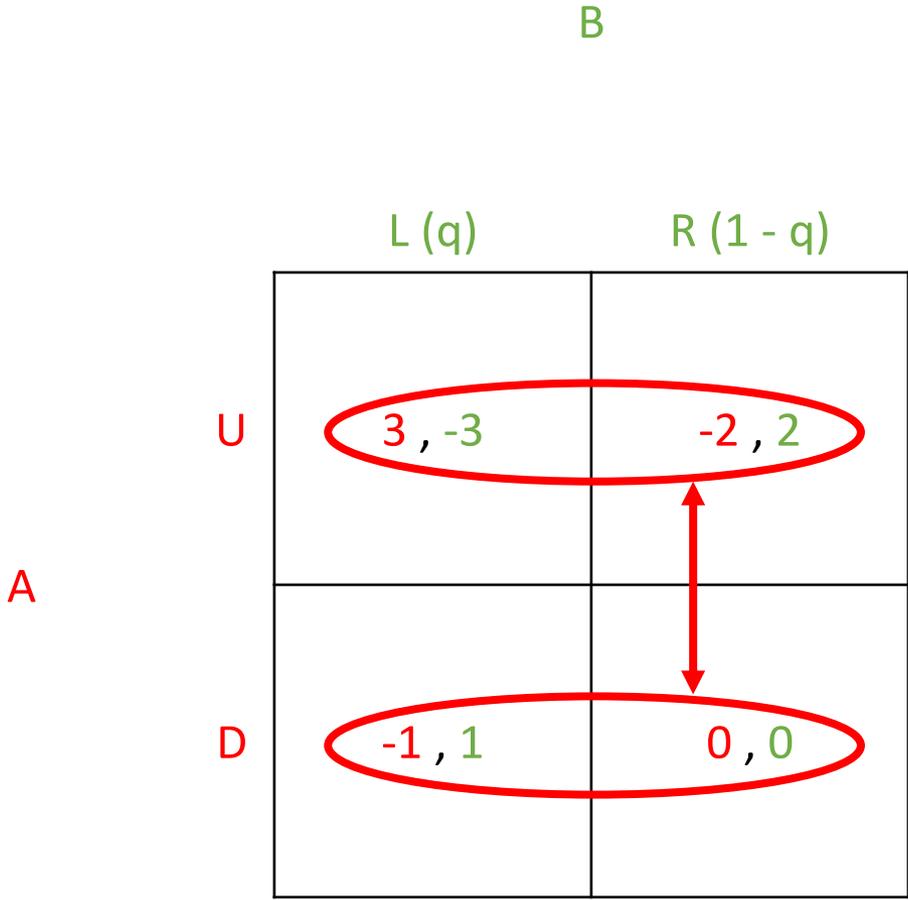
- $\mathbf{1 - p = 1 - 1/6 = 5/6}$

- We've found the ideal mixed strategy for Player A

- If Player A plays Up 1/6 of time and Down 5/6 of time, Player B is indifferent to choosing Left or Right

- We need to do the same for player B

Game Y



Game Y - Player B's strategy

- EU_U :
 - Some % of time (q) gets A utility 3
 - Rest of the time ($1 - q$) gets A utility -2

- $EU_U = (q) * (3) + (1 - q) * (-2)$

- $EU_U = 3q - 2 + 2q$

- $EU_U = 5q - 2$

B

		B	
		L (q)	R ($1 - q$)
A	U (p)	3, -3	-2, 2
	D ($1 - p$)	-1, 1	0, 0

Game Y - Player B's strategy

- EU_D :
 - Some % of time (q) gets A utility **-1**
 - Rest of the time ($1 - q$) gets A utility **0**

- $EU_D = (q)*(-1) + (1 - q)*(0)$

- $EU_D = -1q + 0 - 0q$

- $EU_D = -q$

B

		B	
		L (q)	R ($1 - q$)
A	U (p)	3, -3	-2, 2
	D ($1 - p$)	-1, 1	0, 0

Player B's strategy – making A indifferent

Comparison of EU_U with EU_D

- $EU_U = 5q - 2$

- $EU_D = -q$

- $EU_U = EU_D$

- $5q - 2 = -q$ $-5q$

- $-2 = -6q$ $/-6$

- $q = 1/3$

- $1 - q = 1 - 1/3 = 2/3$

- We've found the ideal mixed strategy for Player B

- If Player B plays Left 1/3 of time and Down 2/3 of time, Player A is indifferent to choosing Up or Down

Mixed strategy NE

($\frac{1}{6}$ U , $\frac{1}{3}$ L)

Game Y - MSNE

		B	
		L (1/3)	R (2/3)
A	U (1/6)	3, -3	-2, 2
	D (5/6)	-1, 1	0, 0

Battle of sexes

- Want to go out together but have no means of communication
 - Have 2 choices – ballet or car show
 - Player A prefers car show (C)
 - Player B prefers ballet (B)
 - Both prefer being together than being alone (A)
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- Preferences for player A: $C > B > A$
 - Preferences for player B: $B > C > A$

Battle of sexes

		B	
		b	c
A	B	1, 2	0, 0
	C	0, 0	2, 1

Battle of sexes – PS Nash equilibria

B

		B	
		b	c
A	B	1, 2	0, 0
	C	0, 0	2, 1

Equilibriums

- 2 pure-strategies equilibriums
- How would they coordinate?
- Apart from pure strategies equilibriums there is one mixed strategy equilibrium for this game
- ($\frac{1}{3} B$, $\frac{2}{3} b$)

Battle of sexes – mixed strategy equilibrium

B

		B	
		b $\frac{2}{3}$	c $\frac{1}{3}$
A	B $\frac{1}{3}$	1, 2	0, 0
	C $\frac{2}{3}$	0, 0	2, 1

Calculation of MS NE payoffs

Battle of sexes – mixed-strategy NE payoffs

B

		B	
		b $\frac{2}{3}$	c $\frac{1}{3}$
A	B $\frac{1}{3}$	$1, 2$ $\frac{1}{3} * \frac{2}{3}$	$0, 0$ $\frac{1}{3} * \frac{1}{3}$
	C $\frac{2}{3}$	$0, 0$ $\frac{2}{3} * \frac{2}{3}$	$2, 1$ $\frac{2}{3} * \frac{1}{3}$

Battle of sexes – mixed-strategy NE payoffs

B

		B	
		b $\frac{2}{3}$	c $\frac{1}{3}$
A	B $\frac{1}{3}$	1, 2 $\frac{2}{9}$	0, 0 $\frac{1}{9}$
	C $\frac{2}{3}$	0, 0 $\frac{4}{9}$	2, 1 $\frac{2}{9}$

BoS – Payoffs for player A

- We simply multiply payoffs for player A and probabilities for each outcome and then sum them together

- Player A's payoffs:

- $u(B, b) = 1 * 2/9 = 2/9$
- $u(B, c) = 0 * 1/9 = 0$
- $u(C, b) = 0 * 4/9 = 0$
- $u(C, c) = 2 * 2/9 = 4/9$

- $EU(A) = 2/9 + 0 + 0 + 4/9$
- $EU(A) = 6/9$
- $EU(A) = 2/3$

B

		b 2/3	c 1/3
B 1/3	1, 2 2/9	0, 0 1/9	
C 2/3	0, 0 4/9	2, 1 2/9	

A

BoS – Payoffs for player B

- We simply multiply payoffs of player B and probabilities for each outcome and then sum them together

- Player A's payoffs:

- $u(B, b) = 2 * 2/9 = 4/9$
- $u(B, c) = 0 * 1/9 = 0$
- $u(C, b) = 0 * 4/9 = 0$
- $u(C, c) = 1 * 2/9 = 2/9$

- $EU(B) = 4/9 + 0 + 0 + 2/9$
- $EU(B) = 6/9$
- $EU(B) = 2/3$

B

		b 2/3	c 1/3
B 1/3		1, 2 2/9	0, 0 1/9
C 2/3		0, 0 4/9	2, 1 2/9

A

Battle of sexes NE

- Pure strategies NE

- (**B** , **b**)
 - $EU(A) = 1$
 - $EU(B) = 2$
- (**C** , **c**)
 - $EU(A) = 2$
 - $EU(B) = 1$

- Mixed strategies NE

- ($\frac{1}{3}$ **B** , $\frac{2}{3}$ **b**)
 - $EU(A) = \frac{2}{3}$
 - $EU(B) = \frac{2}{3}$

B

		b	c
A	B	1, 2	0, 0
	C	0, 0	2, 1

FSS entrance game

- Two students meet at the main faculty entrance
- Both simultaneously decide whether to walk or stop
- If both walk, they **collide** and both **get a bruise** (payoff -5)
- If one stops and other walks
 - Student who stopped gets **good karma** for letting the other pass with **payoff 1**, but at the same time gets **delayed**, which is **completely offsetting** the value of the good karma
 - Student who walked gets to **pass quickly** and thus gets **payoff 1**
- If **both stop**, each would get **good karma** for letting the other pass, but both will get **delayed**

FSS entrance game

		B	
		W	S
A	W	-5, -5	1, 0
	S	0, 1	0, 0

FSS entrance game NE

B

		B	
		w 1/6	s 5/6
A	w 1/6	-5, -5	1, 0
	s 5/6	0, 1	0, 0

Stag hunt

		B	
		s	r
A	S	5, 5	0, 3
	R	3, 0	3, 3

Stag hunt NE

- Pure strategies NE

- (S, s)

- $EU(A) = 5$

- $EU(B) = 5$

- (R, r)

- $EU(A) = 3$

- $EU(B) = 3$

- Mixed strategies NE

- $(\frac{3}{5} S, \frac{3}{5} s)$

- $EU(A) = 3$

- $EU(B) = 3$

B

		s	R
A	S	5, 5	0, 3
	R	3, 0	3, 3

Prisoners' dilemma

		B	
		c	d
A	C	5, 5	0, 7
	D	7, 0	3, 3

Prisoners' dilemma NE

- Pure strategies NE

- (D, d)

- $EU(A) = 3$

- $EU(B) = 3$

- Mixed strategies NE

- None

A

B

		c	d
C	5, 5	0, 7	
D	7, 0	3, 3	