

# Game Theory

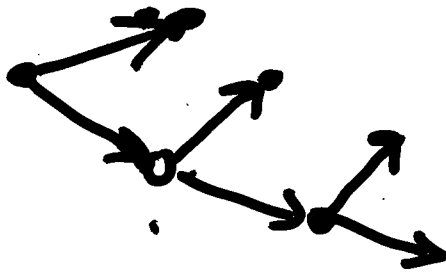
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games over graphs

2 players  
(or 1)

0-sum

Markov  
Decision  
Processes



game relations

n-player  
non-0-sum

- multi-player games
- one-shot
- Nash eq.
- Auctions - mech. des.
- Networks
- Reputations

# Game Structure

- a finite state space  $S$
- a finite set  $M$  of moves.
- Two move assignments:

$$\Gamma_1: S \mapsto 2^M \setminus \emptyset$$

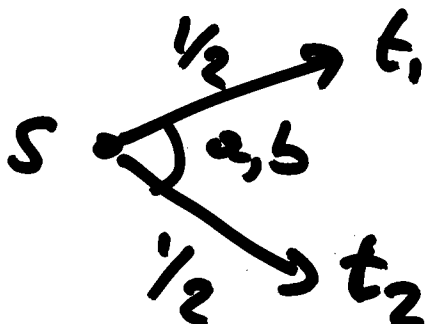
$$\Gamma_2: S \mapsto 2^M \setminus \emptyset.$$

- a transition function

$$\delta: S \times M \times M \mapsto \text{Distr}(S)$$

ex:  $\delta(s, a, b) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & t_1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & t_2 \end{cases}$

pl.1 move      pl.2 move      ↑ prob



# Types of Game Structures

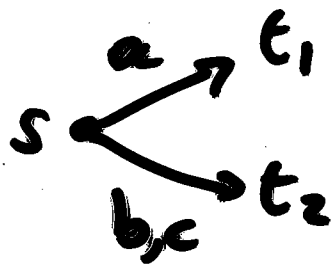
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• Graphs = 1 player, determ.

$$\cdot \forall s \in S: |\Gamma_2(s)| = 1.$$

$$\cdot \forall s \in S \forall a \in \Gamma_1(s).$$

$$\exists t. \delta(s, a, -)(t) = 1.$$



• Markov Chain



$$\cdot \forall s, |\Gamma_1(s)| = |\Gamma_2(s)| = 1.$$

- MDP:  $\forall s \quad |\Gamma_2(s)| = 1.$

- Deterministic:

$$\forall s, \forall a, b \in M, \exists t :$$

$$\delta(s, a, b)(t) = 1.$$

- Turn-Based

There is  $\gamma: S \mapsto \{1, 2\}$

s.t.,  $\forall s, \quad |\Gamma_{\sim \gamma(s)}(s)| = 1.$

$$\sim 1 = 2$$

$$\sim 2 = 1$$

- $DT = D + T.$

# Strategy:

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$$\pi_1: S^+ \mapsto \text{Distr}(M)$$

such that:

$$\text{if } \pi(s_0 \dots s_n)(a) > 0,$$

$$\text{then } a \in \Gamma_1(s_n).$$

Similarly for  $\pi_2$ .

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• Deterministic:

$$\forall \sigma \in S^+, \pi(\sigma) \text{ is determ.}$$

• Memoryless:

$$\forall \sigma \in S^+ \quad \forall s \in S,$$

$$\pi(s) = \pi(\sigma \cdot s)$$

$\pi$

$\pi^M$

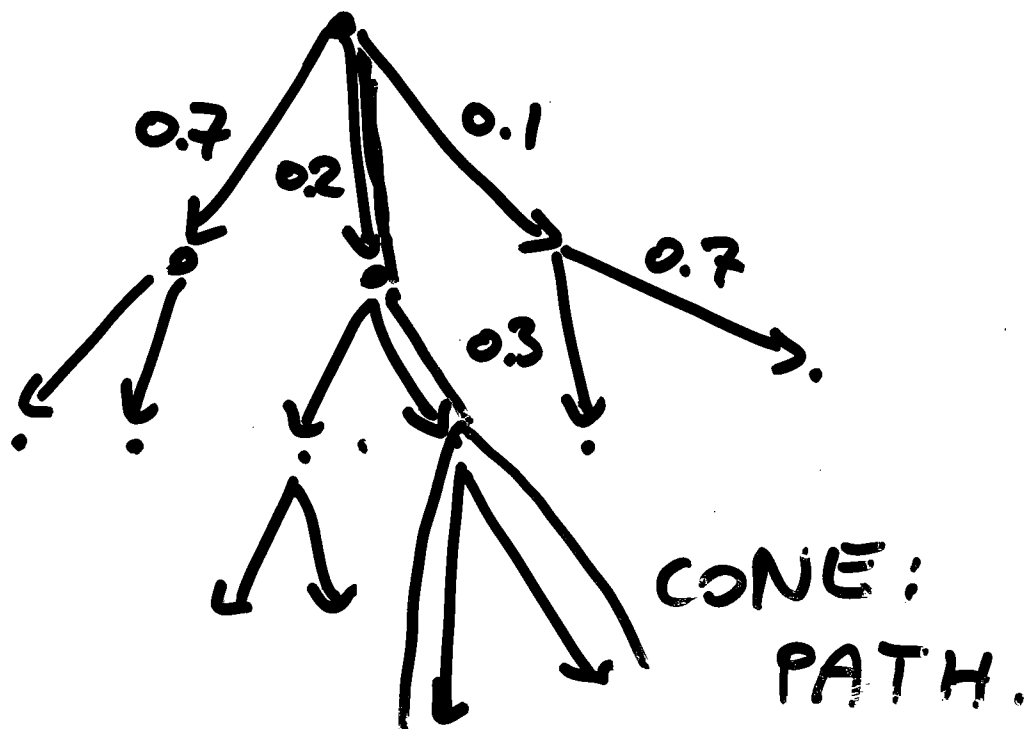
$\pi^D$

$\pi^{MD}$

"pure"

"simple"  
"pure"

# Stochastic Processes in a Nutshell

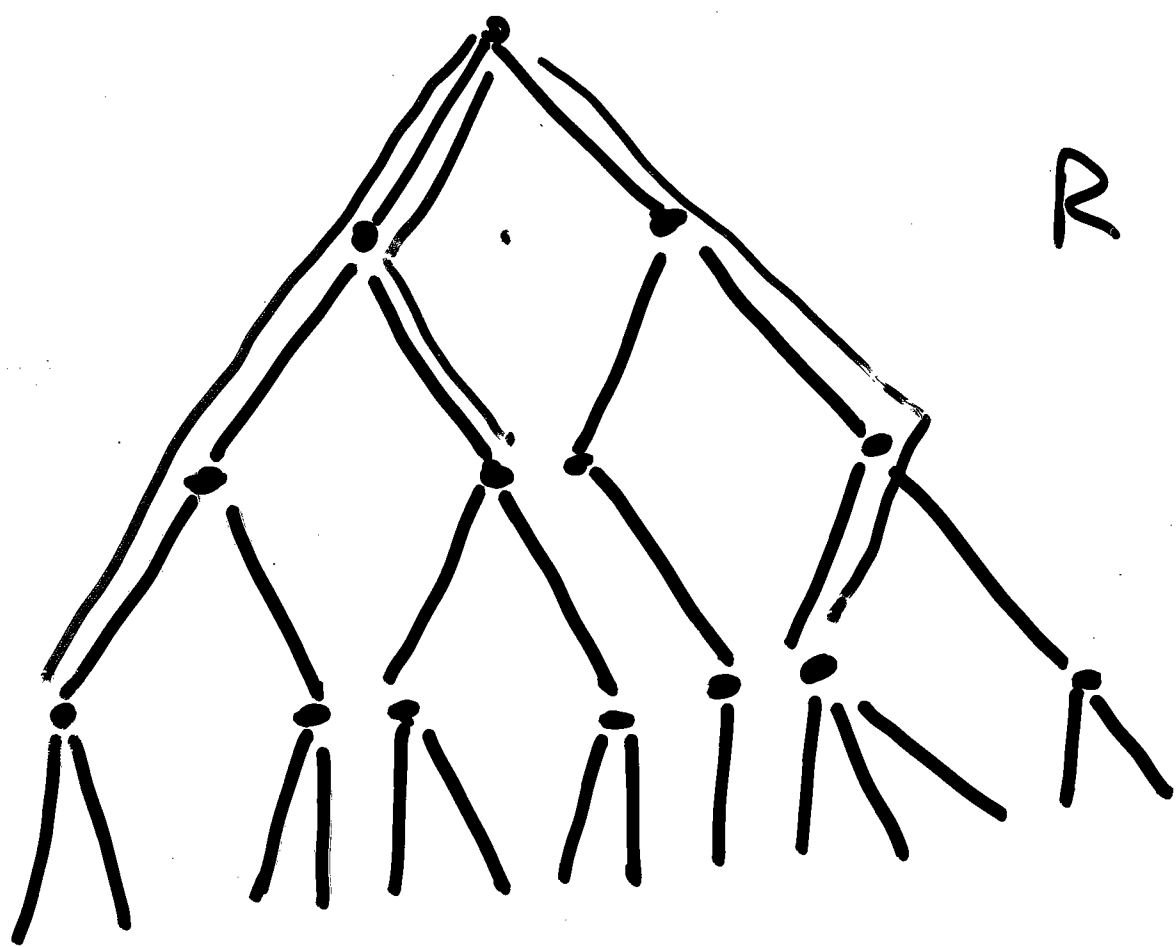


- CONES HAVE a well-def (easy to compute/define) probability; multiply prob. leading along path.

# Reachability:

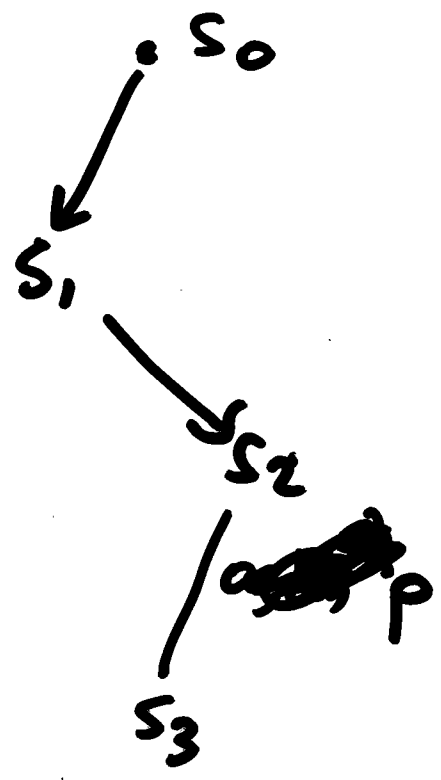
Given  $R \subseteq S$ ,

$$\diamond R = \{ \sigma \in S^\omega \mid \exists k \geq 0. \sigma_k \in R \}$$



Events = measurable sets of paths : we start from the set of cones, and close w.r.t. countable union, intersection, set difference.

Given  $g, \pi_1, \pi_2$ , we have a stochastic process!



$$P = \sum_{a \in \Gamma_1(s_2)} \sum_{b \in \Gamma_2(s_2)} \pi_1(s_0 \dots s_2)(a) \cdot$$

$$\pi_2(s_0 \dots s_2)(b) \cdot \delta(s_2, a, b)(s_3).$$

$P_{\mathcal{R}}^{\pi_1, \pi_2}$  (start)  $(\underbrace{\diamond R}_{\text{event}}) \in [0, 1]$ .

# Deterministic TB-games 8

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$$\diamond R = \{ \sigma \in S^\omega \mid \exists k \geq 0 \sigma_k \in R \}$$

$$\square R = \{ \sigma \in S^\omega \mid \forall k \geq 0. \sigma_k \in R \}$$

$$\sigma \in \diamond R \text{ iff } \sigma \notin \square(S \setminus R)$$

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$$\langle 1 \rangle \diamond R = \{ s \mid \exists \pi_1. \forall \pi_2. \text{outcomes}(s, \pi_1, \pi_2) \subseteq \diamond R \}$$

$$\langle 2 \rangle \square R = \{ s \mid \exists \pi_1. \forall \pi_2. \text{outcomes}(s, \pi_1, \pi_2) \subseteq \square R \}$$

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$$\langle i \rangle \varphi = \{ s \mid \exists \pi_i. \forall \pi_{\neq i}. \text{outcomes}(s, \pi_i, \pi_{\neq i}) \subseteq \varphi \}$$

$$\varphi \subseteq S^\omega.$$

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$$S_0 \longrightarrow S_1 \longrightarrow S_2 \xrightarrow{a,b} S_3 \longrightarrow \dots$$

$\in$  outcomes  $(s_0, \pi_1, \pi_2)$

iff:  ~~$\exists a \in \Gamma_1(S_k)$~~

$$\forall k, \exists a \in \Gamma_1(S_k)$$

$$\exists b \in \Gamma_2(S_k) \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\pi_1(s_0 \dots s_k)(a) > 0$$

$$\pi_2(s_0 \dots s_k)(b) > 0$$

$$\delta(S_k, a, b)(S_{k+1}) > 0.$$