



## Application of Potential Game for Power Control in Wireless Networks and Network Formation



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## Review (Game theoretic approach)

Global objective function

Local objective function

agents

$A_i$  : Action set

$A = \prod_{p_i \in p} A_i$  : set of joint action

$$a_{-i} = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{i-1}, a_{i+1}, \dots, a_n) \rightarrow \text{joint action } a = (a_i, a_{-i})$$

Local objective function  $U_i : A \rightarrow R$

- Control design
- Designing the player objective function
  - Learning dynamics (repeated game)  
(ex)single stage memory dynamics



## Review (Potential game)

Global planner  $\phi : A \rightarrow \Re$

aligned

(potential function)

Make player's objective function  $U_i$

$$\begin{aligned} U_i(a_i^*, a_{-i}) - U_i(a_i^-, a_{-i}) \\ = \phi_i(a_i^*, a_{-i}) - \phi_i(a_i^-, a_{-i}) \end{aligned}$$

Changing in the player's objective function

=  
Changing in the potential function

Every agent select an action to maximize their objective function



## Outline

Near-Optimal Power Control in Wireless Networks: A Potential Game Approach

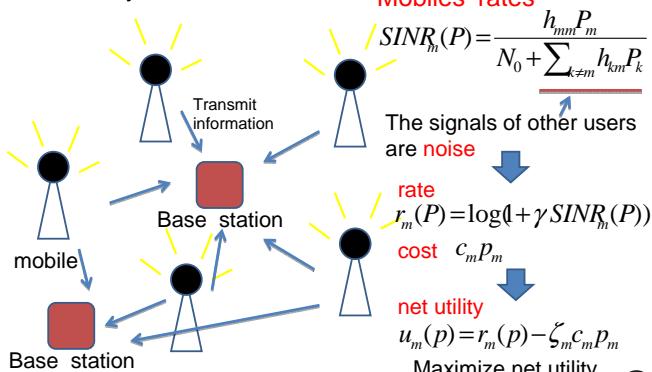
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## background

CDMA system



## approach

Situation : Self interested

Interfere with each other

Object : Design of power control

Tradeoff  
rate  $\leftrightarrow$  cost  
 $u_m(p) = r_m(p) - \zeta_m c_m p_m$

Thinking of Maximize own utility  
Centralized optimization problem with full information  
difficult for complex

General distributed power control

Potential game approach  
Original game  $g$   $\rightarrow$  Approximation game  $\tilde{g}$

Best response dynamics  
Converge within neighborhood of the optimal operating point

Set optimal price  $c^*$   
Converge to the optimal operating point



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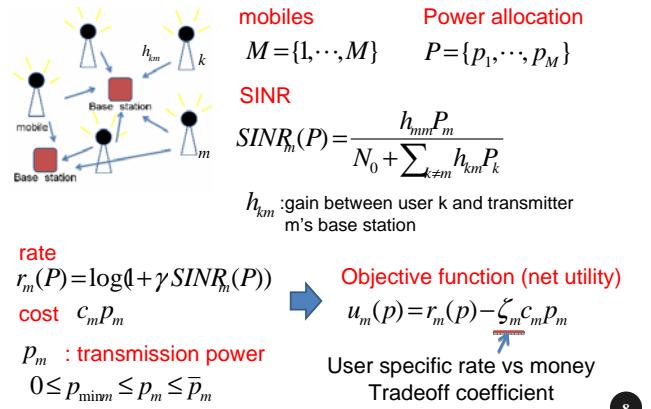
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## model

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## Power game (definition)

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**Power game**  
 $g = \langle M, \{u_m\}_{m \in M}, \{p_m\}_{m \in M} \rangle$   
 m's objective function      m's action set

**Self interested**  
 $\max_{\tilde{p}_m \in P_m} u_m(\tilde{p}_m, p_{-m})$

**Nash equilibrium (NE)**

$$u_m(p) \geq u_m(\tilde{p}_m, p_{-m}) \quad \forall \tilde{p}_m \in P_m, \forall m \in M$$

$\epsilon$  - **Nash equilibrium**  
 $u_m(p) \geq u_m(q_m, p_{-m}) - \epsilon \quad \forall q_m \in P_m, \forall m \in M$

Central planner wishes to impose some **performance objective**

**System Utility**  
 $\max_{p \in P} U_0(p)$  (ex)  $U_0(p) = \sum_m r_m(p)$   
 Sum rate objective  
 → Optimal solution  $p^*$  (desired operating point)

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## Modified utilities

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**modified Utility**  
 $\tilde{u}_m(p) = \tilde{r}_m(p) - \zeta_m c_m p_m$   
 $\tilde{r}_m(p) = \log(\gamma SINR_h(p))$

$r_m(p) = \log(1 + \gamma SINR_h(p))$

$SINR_h(p) = \frac{h_{mm}P_m}{N_0 + \sum_{k \neq m} h_{km}P_k}$

Approximation is good  
Spreading gain  $\gamma >> 1$  or  $h_{mm} >> h_{mk}$

Can make potential function  
 $\phi(p) = \sum_m \log(p_m) - \zeta_m c_m p_m$   
 $(\phi(p_m, p_{-m}) - \phi(q_m, p_{-m})) = \tilde{u}_m(p_m, p_{-m}) - \tilde{u}_m(q_m, p_{-m})$

Strictly concave → unique NE

Potential game

$$\tilde{g} = \langle M, \{\tilde{u}_m\}_{m \in M}, \{p_m\}_{m \in M} \rangle$$

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## Assigning prices

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Assigning prices  $c^*$  to coincide with NE of  $\tilde{g}$  and  $p^*$   
 $\tilde{u}_m(p) = \tilde{r}_m(p) - \zeta_m c_m p_m$

[Theorem]

Let  $p^*$  be the desired operating point. Then the prices  $c^*$  are given by

$$c_m^* = (\zeta_m p_m^*)^{-1} \quad m \in M$$

(proof)  $\phi(p)$  Strictly concave → unique NE

→ Maxima of  $\phi(p)$  is NE  
 $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial p_m} = \frac{1}{p_m} - \frac{1}{p_m^*} \rightarrow p = p^* \rightarrow \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial p_m} = 0$   
 $c_m^* = (\zeta_m p_m^*)^{-1}$

→  $p^*$  Global maximum of the potential

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## Near optimal dynamics

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$p^*$  is not NE of the game  $g$  with  $c^*$

→ Converge neighbor of  $p^*$ ?

Best Response dynamics

$$p_m \leftarrow p_m + \alpha(\beta_m(p_{-m}) - p_m)$$

$$\text{Best Response } \beta_m(p_{-m}) = \arg \max_{p_m \in P_m} u_m(p_m, p_{-m})$$

most good action for user m

$\alpha$  is small

$$\dot{p}_m = \beta_m(p_{-m}) - p_m$$

$\tilde{g}$  with  $c = c^*$  → Converge to  $p^*$  (Lyapunov analysis)

How about  $g$ ?

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## proof

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$$\begin{aligned}
 -\dot{V} &= \sum_{m \in M} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial p_m} (\tilde{\beta}_m(p_{-m}) - p_m) + \sum_{m \in M} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial p_m} (\beta_m(p_{-m}) - \tilde{\beta}_m(p_{-m})) \\
 &\quad \sum_{m \in M} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial p_m} (\tilde{\beta}_m(p_{-m}) - p_m) \geq \tilde{u}_m(\tilde{\beta}_m(p_{-m}), p_{-m}) - \tilde{u}_m(p_m, p_{-m}) \\
 &\quad \left| \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial p_m} (\beta_m(p_{-m}) - \tilde{\beta}_m(p_{-m})) \right| \leq \left( \frac{1}{p_{\min m}} - \frac{1}{\bar{p}_m} \right) \frac{\xi_m}{\gamma} \\
 &\quad \left( \xi_m = \frac{N_0}{h_{mm}} + \sum_{k \neq m} \frac{h_{km}}{h_{mm}} \bar{p}_k \right) \\
 -\dot{V} &\geq \sum_{m \in M} (\tilde{u}_m(\tilde{\beta}_m(p_{-m}), p_{-m}) - \tilde{u}_m(p_m, p_{-m})) - \sum_{m \in M} \left( \frac{1}{p_{\min m}} - \frac{1}{\bar{p}_m} \right) \frac{\xi_m}{\gamma} \\
 &\quad \boxed{\sum_{m \in M} (\tilde{u}_m(\tilde{\beta}_m(p_{-m}), p_{-m}) - \tilde{u}_m(p_m, p_{-m})) \geq \sum_{m \in M} \frac{\xi_m}{\gamma p_{\min m}}} \\
 &\quad \boxed{\dot{V} \leq - \sum_{m \in M} \frac{\xi_m}{\gamma \bar{p}_m}}
 \end{aligned}$$

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## Convergence analysis

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Best Response of } \tilde{g} \quad \tilde{\beta}_m(p_{-m}) &= \arg \max_{p_m \in P_m} \tilde{u}_m(p_m, p_{-m}) \\
 &= \arg \max_{p_m \in P_m} \phi(p_m, p_{-m}) \quad (\text{From PG}) \\
 \varepsilon\text{-equilibria of } \tilde{g} \quad \tilde{I}_\varepsilon &= \{p \mid \tilde{u}_m(p_m, p_{-m}) \geq \tilde{u}_m(q_m, p_{-m}) - \varepsilon\}
 \end{aligned}$$

[Lemma]

$$\text{The BR in } g \text{ converge to } \tilde{I}_\varepsilon \quad \varepsilon \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \sum_{m \in M} \frac{1}{SINR_{\min m}}$$

(proof)  $\bar{\phi}$  : maximum value of  $\phi$

$V = \bar{\phi} - \phi \geq 0$  : Lyapunov function

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## proof

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$$\sum_{m \in M} (\tilde{u}_m(\tilde{\beta}_m(p_{-m}), p_{-m}) - \tilde{u}_m(p_m, p_{-m})) \geq \sum_{m \in M} \frac{\xi_m}{\gamma p_{\min m}}$$

$$\rightarrow \dot{V} \leq - \sum_{m \in M} \frac{\xi_m}{\gamma \bar{p}_m}$$

Converge to this set from Lyapunov method

$$\rightarrow \tilde{u}_m(\tilde{\beta}_m(p_{-m}), p_{-m}) - \tilde{u}_m(p_m, p_{-m}) \leq \sum_{m \in M} \frac{\xi_m}{\gamma p_{\min m}}$$

$$\rightarrow \varepsilon \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \sum_{m \in M} \frac{1}{SINR_{\min m}}$$

$$\tilde{I}_\varepsilon = \{p \mid \tilde{u}_m(p_m, p_{-m}) \geq \tilde{u}_m(q_m, p_{-m}) - \varepsilon\}$$

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## How far ?

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How far the set of  $\varepsilon$ -equilibria of  $\tilde{g}$  from  $p^*$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\text{Theorem}] \quad |\tilde{p}_m - p_m^*| &\leq \bar{P}_m \sqrt{2\varepsilon} \quad \tilde{p} \in \tilde{I}_\varepsilon \\
 \varepsilon\text{-equilibria of } \tilde{g} \quad \tilde{I}_\varepsilon &= \{p \mid \tilde{u}_m(p_m, p_{-m}) \geq \tilde{u}_m(q_m, p_{-m}) - \varepsilon\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\text{proof}) \quad \phi(p_m^*, \tilde{p}_{-m}) - \phi(\tilde{p}_m, \tilde{p}_{-m}) &\leq \varepsilon \\
 \rightarrow (\log(p_m^*) - \lambda_m p_m^*) - (\log(\tilde{p}_m) - \lambda_m \tilde{p}_m) &\leq \varepsilon \quad (\phi(p) = \sum_m \log(p_m) - \zeta_m c_m^* p_m) \\
 \rightarrow f_m(p_m^*) - f_m(\tilde{p}_m) &\leq \varepsilon \quad (f_m = \log(p_m) - \lambda_m p_m)
 \end{aligned}$$

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## proof

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$$\begin{aligned}
 f_m &= \log(p_m) - \lambda_m p_m \\
 \rightarrow f_m(\tilde{p}_m) &= f_m(p_m^*) + (\tilde{p}_m - p_m^*) \frac{\partial f_m(p_m^*)}{\partial p_m} + \frac{1}{2} (\tilde{p}_m - p_m^*)^2 \frac{\partial^2 f_m(p_m^* + \alpha(\tilde{p}_m - p_m^*))}{\partial p_m^2} \\
 p^* &\text{ Is desired operating point} \\
 \rightarrow \frac{\partial f_m(p_m^*)}{\partial p_m} &= \frac{\partial \phi(p_m^*)}{\partial p_m} = 0 \\
 \rightarrow f_m(p_m^*) - f_m(\tilde{p}_m) &= \frac{1}{2} (\tilde{p}_m - p_m^*)^2 \frac{1}{(p_m^* + \alpha(\tilde{p}_m - p_m^*))^2} \\
 \rightarrow 2(p_m^* + \alpha(\tilde{p}_m - p_m^*))^2 (f_m(p_m^*) - f_m(\tilde{p}_m)) &= (\tilde{p}_m - p_m^*)^2 \\
 \rightarrow 2\varepsilon \bar{P}_m^2 &\geq (\tilde{p}_m - p_m^*)^2 \quad (f_m(p_m^*) - f_m(\tilde{p}_m) \leq \varepsilon, 0 < p_m^* < \tilde{p}_m \leq \bar{P}_m) \\
 \rightarrow |\tilde{p}_m - p_m^*| &\leq \bar{P}_m \sqrt{2\varepsilon}
 \end{aligned}$$

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## Near optimal performance

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Near optimal performance in terms of **system utility**

Performance loss decrease with small  $\varepsilon$   
increase with large  $L, L_m$  (ex)  $U_0(p) = \sum_m r_m(p)$   
Sum rate objective

[Theorem] Let  $\varepsilon \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \sum_{m \in M} \frac{1}{SINR_{\min m}}$  then

(1)  $U_0$  is Lipschitz continuous function, with  $L$ . Then

$$|U_0(p^*) - U_0(\tilde{p})| \leq \sqrt{2\varepsilon} L \sqrt{\sum_{m \in M} \bar{P}_m^2}$$

(2) Assume that  $U_0$  is a continuous differentiable function such that

$$\left| \frac{\partial U_0}{\partial p_m} \right| \leq L_m \quad \text{Then} \quad |U_0(p^*) - U_0(\tilde{p})| \leq \sqrt{2\varepsilon} \sum_{m \in M} \bar{P}_m L_m$$

Difference between  $p^*$  and  $\tilde{p}$   $\rightarrow$  Difference between  $U_0(p^*)$  and  $U_0(\tilde{p})$

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## Simulation result

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• Three users

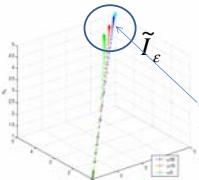
• desired operating point  $p^* = [5, 5, 5]$

$$r_m(P) = \log(1 + \gamma SINR_m(P)) \quad \gamma \in \{5, 10, 15\}$$

$$SINR_m(P) = \frac{h_{mm} P_m}{N_0 + \sum_{k \neq m} h_{km} P_k}$$

$$N_0 = 1 \quad h_{km} \in [0, 2] \quad h_{mm} \in [2, 4]$$

Do the BR dynamics with  $c^*$



Convergence Some point?

Big  $\gamma$  is good

$$\varepsilon \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \sum_{m \in M} \frac{1}{SINR_{\min m}}$$

Monotonously decreasing

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## Simulation result (system utility)

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Sum rate objective

$$U_0(p) = \sum_m r_m(p) \rightarrow \max_{p \in P} U_0(p)$$

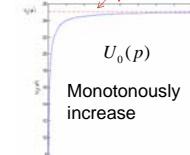
[Theorem]

$U_0$  is a continuous differentiable function

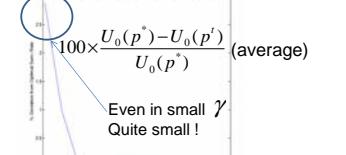
$$\left| \frac{\partial U_0}{\partial p_m} \right| \leq \frac{M-1}{P_{\min m}}$$

$$|U_0(p^*) - U_0(\tilde{p})| \leq \sqrt{2\varepsilon} (M-1) \sum_{m \in M} \frac{\bar{P}_m}{P_{\min m}}$$

$$|U_0(p^*) - U_0(\tilde{p})| \leq \sqrt{2\varepsilon} \sum_{m \in M} \bar{P}_m L_m$$



Monotonously increase



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## General type

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$$u_m \xrightarrow{\phi} \hat{u}_m$$

Find the most close potential function of the game by  $u_m$

Find the most close objective function of  $\phi$  to  $u_m$

$$d^2(g) = \min_{\phi \in C_0} \left\| \delta_o \phi - \sum_{m \in M} D_m u^m \right\|_2^2$$

$$\hat{u}^m = \underset{\bar{u}^m}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|u^m - \bar{u}^m\|_2^2$$

$$D_m \bar{u}_m = D_m \phi$$

$$D_m : \text{Difference operator} \quad W^n(p, q) = 1 \quad p \neq q$$

$$(D_m \phi)(p, q) = W^n(p, q)(\phi(q) - \phi(p)) \quad W^n(p, q) = 0 \quad p = q$$

Potential game

$$D_m u_m = D_m \phi$$

$$\sum_{m \in M} D_m u_m = \sum_{m \in M} D_m \phi = \delta_o \phi$$

combinatorial gradient operator

$$\delta_o = \sum_{m \in M} D_m$$

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## Theorem of Projection

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[Theorem] Optimal projection

$$\phi = \left( \sum_{m \in M} \Pi_m \right)^\dagger \sum_{m \in M} \Pi_m u^m$$

$$\hat{u}^m = (I - \Pi_m) u^m + \Pi_m \left( \sum_{k \in M} \Pi_k \right)^\dagger \sum_{k \in M} \Pi_k u_k. \quad \Pi_m = D_m^* D_m$$

[Theorem]

Any equilibrium of  $\tilde{g}$  is an  $\varepsilon$ -equilibrium of  $g$ .

$$\varepsilon \leq \sqrt{2} d(g) \quad d^2(g) = \min_{\phi \in C_0} \left\| \delta_o \phi - \sum_{m \in M} D_m u^m \right\|_2^2$$

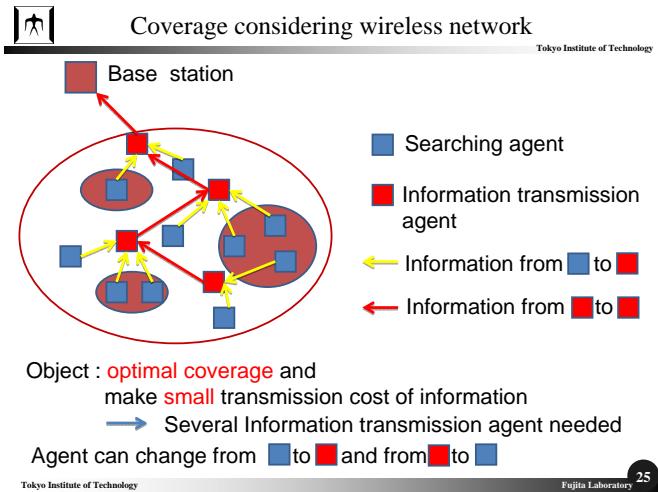
$g$  : game

$\tilde{g}$  : projection of the game  $g$

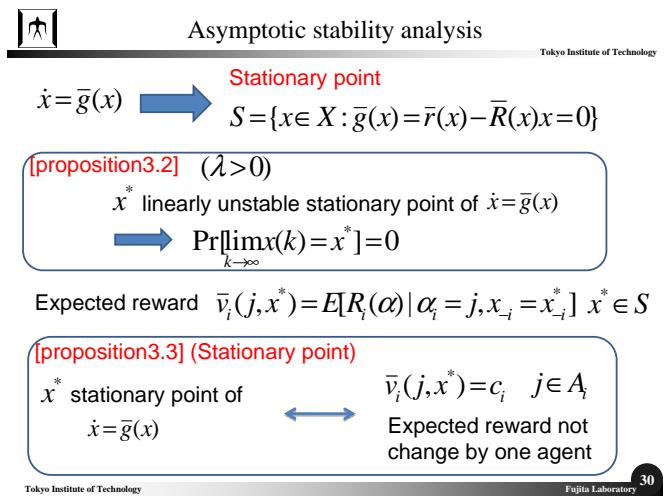
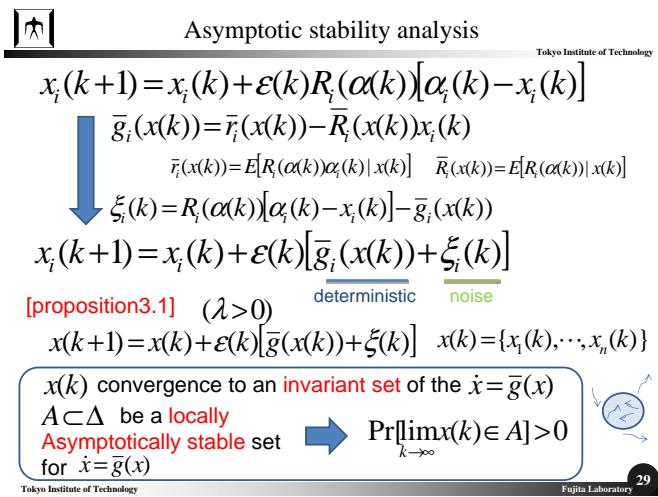
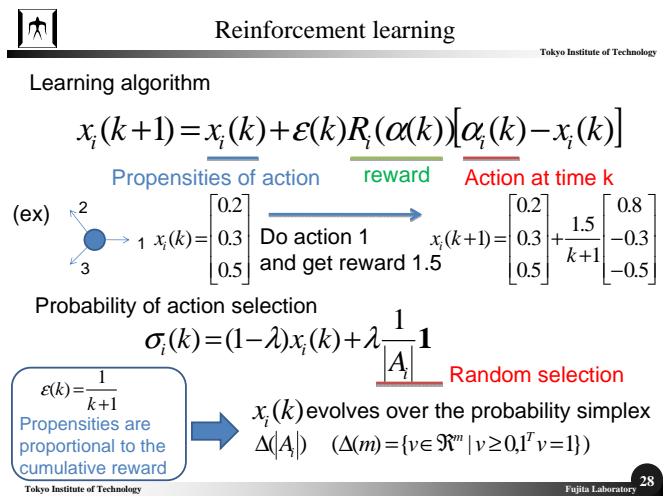
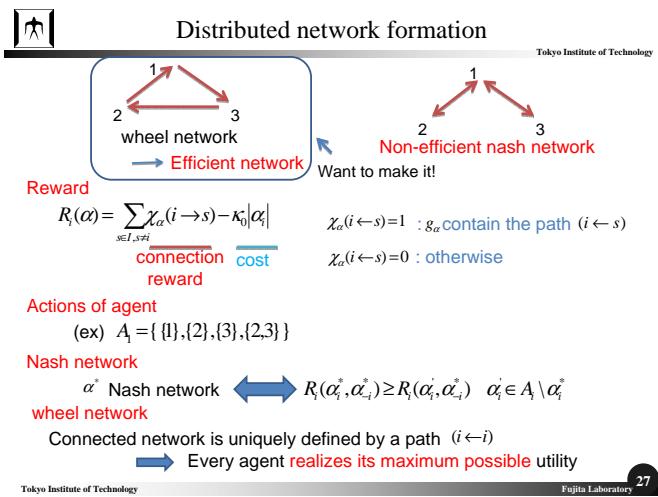
$$u_m(p) \geq u_m(q_m, p_{-m}) - \varepsilon$$

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## proposition

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[proposition3.4] (pure strategies) ( $\lambda=0$ )

pure strategies profile  $\rightarrow$  stationary point of  $\dot{x}=\bar{g}(x)$

[proposition3.5] (sensitivity of pure strategies) ( $\lambda>0$ )

$x^*$  pure strategies profile  $\rightarrow$  Exist a differentiable function  $v^*(\lambda)$ , such  $\tilde{x}=x^*+v^*(\lambda)$  stationary point of  $\dot{x}=\bar{g}(x)$  ( $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} v^*(\lambda)=v^*(0)=0$ )

[proposition3.6] (LAS) ( $\lambda>0$ )  $\tilde{x}$  Locally asymptotically Stable point of  $\dot{x}=\bar{g}(x)$   $\Leftrightarrow \bar{v}_i(j^*, \tilde{x}) > \bar{v}_i(s, \tilde{x}) \quad \forall s \in A_i \setminus j^*$

[proposition3.7] ( $\lambda>0$ )  $\bar{v}_i(j^*, \tilde{x}) > \bar{v}_i(s, \tilde{x}) \quad \forall s \in A_i \setminus j^* : \text{strict NE} \Rightarrow \Pr_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\lim x(k) = \tilde{x}] > 0$  (from p3.6)

$\bar{v}_i(j^*, x^*) < \bar{v}_i(s, x^*) \quad \exists s \in A_i \setminus j^* : \text{not NE} \Rightarrow \Pr_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\lim x(k) \in B_\delta(x^*)] = 0$

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## Dynamic Reinforcement

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Before depend only on the probability distribution  $\rightarrow$  Also affected by the history of the probability distribution  $x_i$

Goal is to investigate the effects on convergence to an Efficient pure equilibrium

Learning algorithm

$$x_i(k+1) = x_i(k) + \epsilon(k) R_i(\alpha(k)) [\alpha_i(k) - x_i(k)]$$

Properties of action reward Action at time k

Probability of action selection

$$\sigma_i(k) = \prod_{\Delta} [(1-\lambda)(x_i(k) + u_i(k)) + \lambda \frac{1}{|A_i|} \mathbf{1}] \quad \epsilon(k) = \frac{1}{k+1}$$

Correspond to history of  $x_i$

$$u_i(k) = \gamma_i(\rho_i(k))(x_i(k) - y_i(k)) \quad \gamma_i(\rho_i(k)) : \text{RADR parameter}$$

$$y_i(k+1) = y_i(k) + \epsilon(k)(x_i(k) - y_i(k)) \quad \text{Running average of } x_i$$

$$\rho_i(k+1) = \rho_i(k) + \epsilon(k)(R_i(\alpha(k)) - \rho_i(k)) \quad \text{Running average of } R_i(\alpha(k))$$

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## Asymptotic stability of RADR

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$$z(k) = \begin{pmatrix} x(k) \\ y(k) \\ \rho(k) \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Relevant ODE}} \begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{\rho} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{g}(z) \\ x - y \\ \bar{R}(z) - \rho \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{linearization}} \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \delta x(t) \\ \delta y(t) \\ \delta \rho(t) \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{A}^{\lambda, \gamma} \begin{pmatrix} \delta x(t) \\ \delta y(t) \\ \delta \rho(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_i(t) = \tilde{x}_i + N\delta x_i(t)$$

$$y_i(t) = \tilde{y}_i + N\delta y_i(t)$$

$$\delta \rho(t) = \rho(t) - \tilde{\rho}$$

[Theorem 4.1] (LAS of RADR)

equilibrium  $\tilde{z} = (\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}, \tilde{\rho})$  is LAS point of linearization  $\Leftrightarrow 0 \leq \gamma_i(\tilde{\rho}_i(k)) \leq \frac{\bar{v}_i(j^*, \tilde{x}) + 1}{\bar{v}_i(s, \tilde{x})} - 1 \quad \forall s \neq j^*$

[Theorem 4.2] (RADR convergence)

$0 \leq \gamma_i(\tilde{\rho}_i(k)) \leq \frac{\bar{v}_i(j^*, \tilde{x}) + 1}{\bar{v}_i(s, \tilde{x})} - 1 \quad \forall s \neq j^*, \forall i \Rightarrow \Pr_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\lim x(k) = \tilde{x}] > 0$

$\gamma_i(\tilde{\rho}_i(k)) \geq \frac{\bar{v}_i(j^*, \tilde{x}) + 1}{\bar{v}_i(s, \tilde{x})} - 1 \quad \exists s \neq j^*, \exists i \Rightarrow \Pr_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\lim x(k) = \tilde{x}] = 0$

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## example

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2.A 2.B  
1.A a,a b,c  
1.B c,b d,d

(case1)  $a > c, d > b, (a-c) > (d-b), a < d$

$\rightarrow$  (A,A) risk dominant

(B,B) payoff dominant

Symmetric coordination game

$$0 \leq \gamma_i(\tilde{\rho}_i(k)) \leq \frac{\bar{v}_i(j^*, \tilde{x}) + 1}{\bar{v}_i(s, \tilde{x})} - 1 \quad \forall s \neq j^*$$

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## Example 2

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2.A 2.B  
1.A a<sub>1</sub>, a<sub>2</sub> b, c  
1.B c, b d, d<sub>2</sub>

$a_1 > a_2 > 0, d_1 = a_2, d_2 = a_1, b = c > 0, a_1 > c, d_1 > b$

(A,A) Desirable for agent 1 ( $a_1 < a_2$ )

(B,B) Desirable for agent 2 ( $a_1 > a_2$ )

Asymmetric coordination game

$$\text{Only agent 1} \quad \frac{d_1 - b + 1}{b} < \gamma < \frac{a_1 - c + 1}{c}$$

$$\text{Positive probability of convergence to (A,A)} \quad \frac{(A,A)}{(B,B)}$$

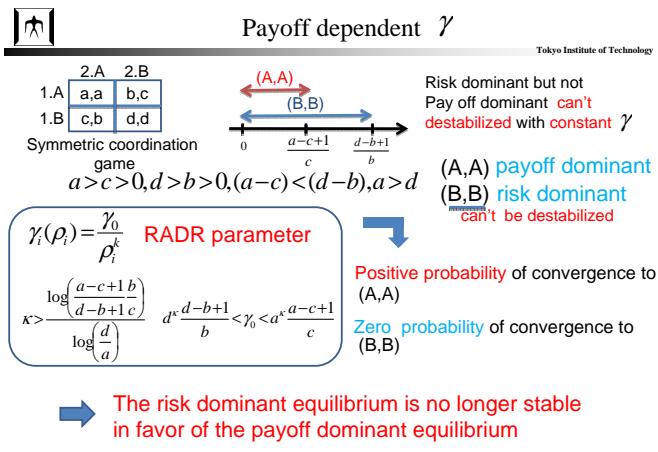
$$\text{Zero probability of convergence to (B,B)} \quad \frac{(B,B)}{(A,A)}$$

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The agent that applies RADR destabilizes the less Desirable equilibrium in favor of the desirable one



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