



Optimal Power Dispatch of Power Networks with Potential Games



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Backgrounds

Smart Grid

- Two-way energy management system between supply and demand side
- Use of **renewable energy** (ex. solar, wind)

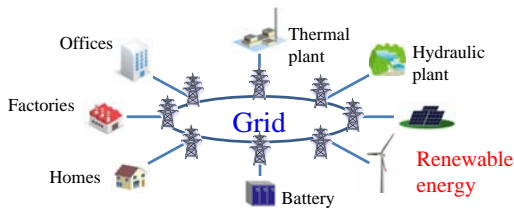


Objective: accomplishment of the following three points

- **Environmental conservation**
Reducing CO₂ emissions
- **Energy security**
Diversification of energy sources
 - Central power plants (ex. Thermal)
 - Distributed generations (ex. Renewable, battery)
- ➔ **Risk management for energy**
- **Economic growth** — Building new energy industry



Objective (Optimal Power Dispatch)



Outputs of renewable energy depend largely on weather

➔ It is more difficult to satisfy supply-demand balance

➔ Optimal power dispatch for customers

Centralized and Distributed generations (renewable, battery) need to allocate electricity to customers in a coordinated way

No design policy of optimal power dispatch

➔ **Game theoretic approach**



Objective (Game-theoretic Control)

Game-theoretic approach

- Agents are self-interested

➔ **Non-cooperative game**

- The solution to the problem = the equilibrium of the game

Applications : resource allocation, sensor coverage

Advantages

- robustness to failures and environmental disturbances
- guarantee global convergence
- improved scalability

➔ **Potential game** has Design policies of objective function
Learning algorithms

Objective of this work

To apply potential game to optimal power dispatch problem of power network



Definition of Game

- Player set $N = \{1, \dots, n\}$
 - Collection of action sets $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_1 \times \dots \times \mathcal{A}_n$
Agent i 's action set : \mathcal{A}_i
Agent i 's action : $\mathbf{a}_i \in \mathcal{A}_i$
 - Collection of objective function $U = \{U_1, \dots, U_n\}$
Agent i 's objective function $U_i : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
Every agent chooses \mathbf{a}_i to maximize U_i
- ➔ **Game $G = \langle N, \mathcal{A}, U \rangle$**

Nash equilibrium

A pure Nash equilibrium is an action $\mathbf{a}^* \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\forall i \in N$

$$U_i(\mathbf{a}_i^*, \mathbf{a}_{-i}^*) = \max_{\mathbf{a}_i \in \mathcal{A}_i} U_i(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{a}_{-i}^*)$$

$$(\mathbf{a}_{-i} = (\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots, \mathbf{a}_{i-1}, \mathbf{a}_{i+1}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_n))$$

(Ex.) Payoff Matrix

		Player 2	
		A	B
Player 1	A	(2,2)	(1,0)
	B	(0,1)	(4,4)
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Potential Game

- **Potential function (global objective function)** $\phi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$\phi : \max$ ➔ Objective of a group is achieved

Potential game

A game $G = \langle N, \mathcal{A}, U \rangle$ is a potential game if there is a potential function ϕ such that $\forall i \in N, \forall \mathbf{a}_{-i} \in \mathcal{A}_{-i}$ and $\forall \mathbf{a}_i^*, \mathbf{a}_i'' \in \mathcal{A}_i$,

$$U_i(\mathbf{a}_i^*, \mathbf{a}_{-i}) - U_i(\mathbf{a}_i'', \mathbf{a}_{-i}) = \phi(\mathbf{a}_i^*, \mathbf{a}_{-i}) - \phi(\mathbf{a}_i'', \mathbf{a}_{-i})$$

Key property

- the guaranteed existence of a Nash equilibrium
- **Local maxima of ϕ are Nash equilibria**

(Ex.) Payoff

		A		B	
		A	B	A	B
A	A	(2,2)	(1,0)	2	0
	B	(0,1)	(4,4)	0	3
B	A	(2,2)	(1,0)	2	0
	B	(0,1)	(4,4)	0	3

Global objective

➔ Application of appropriate learning algorithms

maximize ϕ



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Power Networks

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◆ Node: $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{G} \cup \mathcal{R} \cup \mathcal{B} \cup \mathcal{D}$

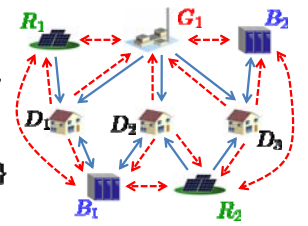
Generator: $\mathcal{G} = \{G_i | i = 1, \dots, n_G\}$

Battery: $\mathcal{B} = \{B_i | i = 1, \dots, n_B\}$

Renewable energy:

$\mathcal{R} = \{R_i | i = 1, \dots, n_R\}$

Demand: $\mathcal{D} = \{D_i | i = 1, \dots, n_D\}$



◆ Link: $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{V}$

Energy flow: $\mathcal{E}_P \rightarrow$

Graph: $G = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$

Information flow: $\mathcal{E}_I \dashrightarrow$

Battery dynamics:

$$\Sigma_{\mathcal{B}}: \underline{b}_i(k) = b_i(k-1) - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{DB,i}} u_{bij}(k), i \in \mathcal{B}$$

battery level

$u_{bij} < 0$: charge

$\mathcal{N}_{DB,i}$: set of D_j can be supplied by B_i

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Optimal Power Dispatch Problem

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Assessment functions

➢ Demand = Supply:

$$J_D^1 = |d - (u_r + u_b)|$$

➢ Minimize electricity prices (fuel cost):

$$J_D^2 = |u_g|$$

➢ Maximize supply from renewable energy:

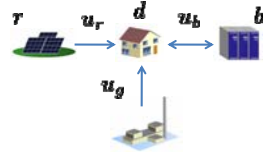
$$J_R = |r - u_r| \quad R\text{'s objective}$$

r : renewable's output[kW]

➢ Remaining battery level = desired level:

$$J_B = |b_{ref} - b| \quad B\text{'s objective}$$

b : battery level[kW]
 b_{ref} : desired battery level[kW]



Agent: Renewable energy, Battery Action: u_r, u_b

Central power plants adjust supply-demand balance:

$$u_g = d - (u_r + u_b) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} J_D^1 = 0 \\ J_D = J_D^2 = |d - (u_r + u_b)| \end{cases} \quad D\text{'s objective}$$

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$$\begin{cases} J_D = |d - (u_r + u_b)| \\ J_R = |r - u_r| \\ J_B = |b_{ref} - b| \end{cases} \quad \begin{matrix} r & u_r & d & u_b & b \\ & & & & \uparrow \\ & & & & u_g \end{matrix}$$

➔ Potential function (global objective)

$$\phi(u_r, u_b) = -w_D J_D - w_R J_R - w_B J_B$$

w_D, w_R, w_B : weight

Each agent's objective function

$$\begin{cases} \text{Renewable: } U_R(u_r, u_b) = -w_D J_D - w_R J_R \\ \text{Battery: } U_B(u_r, u_b) = -w_D J_D - w_B J_B \end{cases} \quad \text{Potential game}$$

Sketch of Proof (Renewable)

$$U_R(u_r', u_b) - U_R(u_r, u_b)$$

$$= -w_D J_D(u_r') - w_R J_R(u_r') + w_D J_D(u_r) + w_R J_R(u_r)$$

$$= \phi(u_r', u_b) - \phi(u_r, u_b)$$

Same applies to battery

Learning algorithm

➔ Payoff-based Inhomogeneous Partial Irrational Play (PIPIP) [6]

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Payoff-based Inhomogeneous Partial Irrational Play (PIPIP)[6]

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Each agent knows only the 2 last actions and utilities:

$$a_i(t-1), a_i(t-2), U_i(a(t-1)), U_i(a(t-2))$$

➢ Case 1: $U_i(a(t-1)) \geq U_i(a(t-2))$

Exploration rate: $\epsilon(t)$

probability

Failure rate: k

$$1 - \epsilon(t) : a_i(t) = a_i(t-1)$$

$\epsilon(t)$: $a_i(t)$ is chosen randomly except $a_i(t-1)$ and $a_i(t-2)$

➢ Case 2: $U_i(a(t-1)) < U_i(a(t-2))$

$$\Delta_i = U_i(a(t-2)) - U_i(a(t-1)) < 1$$

$\epsilon(t)$: $a_i(t)$ is chosen randomly except $a_i(t-1)$ and $a_i(t-2)$

$$(1 - \epsilon(t))k\epsilon^{\Delta_i} : a_i(t) = a_i(t-1) \leftarrow \text{Mistake!}$$

$$(1 - \epsilon(t))(1 - k\epsilon^{\Delta_i}) : a_i(t) = a_i(t-2)$$

➔ Determine $a_i(t)$ and calculate $U_i(a(t))$

➢ All agents can take their action at the same time

➢ Convergence to optimal Nash equilibrium

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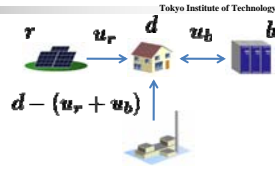
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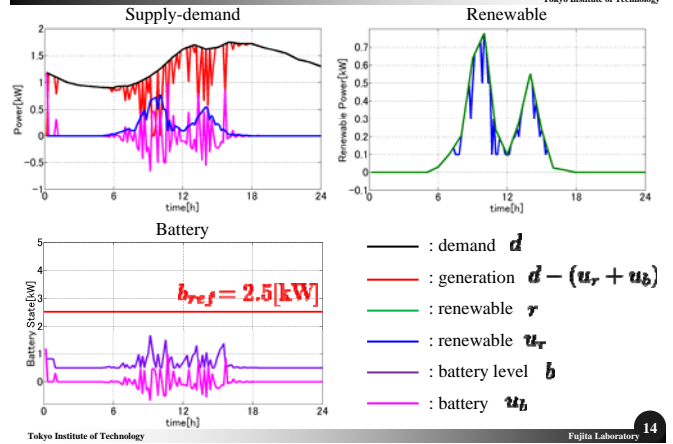
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Simulation setting

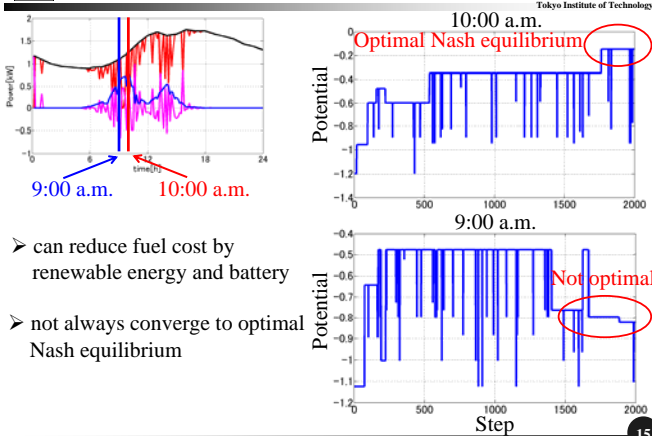
- Sampling time: $\tau = 10[\text{min}]$
- Battery: $b(0) = 2[\text{kWh}]$
 $B_{max} = 5[\text{kWh}]$
 $b_{ref} = B_{max}/2 = 2.5[\text{kWh}]$
- Weight: $w_D = w_R = 0.6$, $w_B = 0.01$
- Actions:
 $R: u_r = \{0, 0.1, 0.2, \dots, \tau\}$ in increment of 0.1
 $B: u_b = \{b - B_{max}, b - B_{max} + 0.5, b - B_{max} + 1, \dots, b\}$
- PIP: 2000step \rightarrow distribution in increment of 0.5
- Constraints
 No reverse power flow $u_r \geq 0$, $d - (u_r + u_b) \geq 0$
 Battery capacity $0 \leq b \leq B_{max}$
 Amount of charge $u_b \geq -u_r$



Simulation ($\varepsilon = 0.01, k = 0.5$)



Simulation ($\varepsilon = 0.01, k = 0.5$)



- can reduce fuel cost by renewable energy and battery
- not always converge to optimal Nash equilibrium



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Applying to Real-time

At first, $\phi(u_r, u_b)$ **Battery level**

Actually, $\phi(u_r, u_b, b)$

Ex. $\phi(u_r, u_b, b) = -|3 - u_r - u_b| - |2 - u_r| - |1 - b|$

At time $t - 1$:
 $u_r(t - 1) = 2, u_b(t - 1) = 1, b(t - 1) = 2$
 $\phi(u_r(t - 1), u_b(t - 1), b(t - 1)) = -1$

At time t :
 $u_r(t) = 2, u_b(t) = 1, b(t) = b(t - 1) - u_b(t) = 1$
 $\phi(u_r(t), u_b(t), b(t)) = 0 \neq \phi(u_r(t - 1), u_b(t - 1), b(t - 1))$

\rightarrow This game is affected significantly by battery state



Dynamic Game: Example 1

Assessment functions

Payoff matrix

Renewable energy

$J_D = |3 - u_r - u_b|$ ($d = 3$) $b = 0$

$J_R = |2 - u_r|$ ($r = 2$)

$J_B = |1 - (b - u_b)|$ ($b_{ref} = 1$)

Potential function

$\phi = -10J_D - J_R - J_B$

Utility

$R: U_R = -10J_D - J_R$

$B: U_B = -10J_D - J_B$

Actions

$R: u_r = \{0, 1, 2\}$

$B: u_b = \{-1, 0, 1\}$

		Renewable energy		
		0	1	2
Battery	$b = 0$			
	$b = 1$	0	1	2
	$b = 2$	0	1	2
		1		
		0		
		-1		
		1		
		0		
		-1		



Dynamic Game: Example1

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Best response

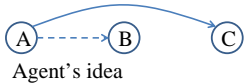
Select \mathbf{a}_i such that

$$U_i(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{a}_{-i}) \geq U_i(\mathbf{a}'_i, \mathbf{a}_{-i})$$

Ex.

Battery

Indeed



Battery is charged or discharged

→ Game transit to another state

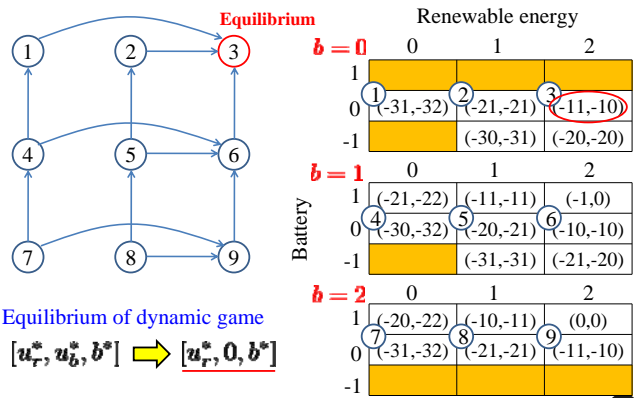
		Renewable energy		
		$b=0$	1	2
Battery	1	0	1	2
	0	(-31,-32)	(-21,-21)	(-11,-10)
	-1	(-30,-31)	(-20,-20)	
Battery	1	0 <td>1 <td>2</td> </td>	1 <td>2</td>	2
	0	(-21,-22)	(-11,-11)	(-1,-0)
	-1	(-30,-32)	(-20,-21)	(-10,-10)
Battery	1	0 <td>1 <td>2</td> </td>	1 <td>2</td>	2
	0	(-20,-22)	(-10,-11)	(0,0)
	-1	(-31,-32)	(-21,-21)	(-11,-10)

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Dynamic Game: Example1

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Dynamic Game: Example2

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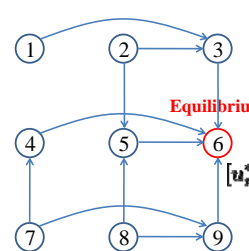
Potential function

$$\phi = -0.1J_D - J_R - J_B$$

Utility

$$U_R = -0.1J_D - J_R$$

$$U_B = -0.1J_D - J_B$$



		Renewable energy		
		$b=0$	1	2
Battery	1	0	1	2
	0	(-1.3,-2.3)	(-1.2,-1.2)	(-1.1,-0.1)
	-1	(-0.3,-2.3)	(-0.2,-1.2)	(-0.1,-0.1)
Battery	1	0 <td>1 <td>2</td> </td>	1 <td>2</td>	2
	0	(-1.2,-2.2)	(-1.1,-1.1)	(-1,0)
	-1	(-0.3,-2.3)	(-0.2,-1.2)	(-0.1,-0.1)
Battery	1	0 <td>1 <td>2</td> </td>	1 <td>2</td>	2
	0	(-0.2,-2.2)	(-0.1,-1.1)	(0,0)
	-1	(-1.3,-2.3)	(-1.2,-1.2)	(-1.1,-0.1)

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Conclusion

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Summary

- Formulate Optimal Power Dispatch Problem
- Apply PIP for Optimal Power Dispatch Problem
- Consideration of Dynamic game

Future Works

- Design of potential game
 - Change assessment function
Ex. absolute value → square
- Analysis of multi-agent case
- Applying to real-time
 - Check whether $[\mathbf{u}_r^*, \mathbf{u}_b^*, b^*]$ exist or not by simulation
 - Analysis of $[\mathbf{u}_r^*, \mathbf{u}_b^*, b^*] \Rightarrow [\mathbf{u}_r^*, \mathbf{0}, b^*]$



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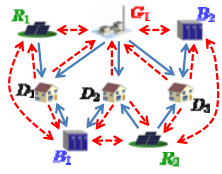
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Optimal Power Dispatch Game

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$$\begin{cases} J_D = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} |d_j - (\sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}_{RD,j}} u_{rij} + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}_{BD,j}} w_{bij})| \\ J_R = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{R}} |r_j - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}_{DR,i}} u_{rij}| \\ J_B = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{B}} |\bar{b}_j - \sum_{k=0}^T \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}_{DB,i}} w_{bij}| \end{cases}$$



Potential function

$$\phi(u_r, u_b) = -w_D J_D - w_R J_R - w_B J_B$$

Each agent's objective function

$$U_{R,i} = - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{DR,i}} w_{D,i,j} |d_j - (\sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}_{RD,j}} u_{r,k,j} + \sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}_{BD,j}} w_{b,k,j})| - w_{R,i} |r_i - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{DR,i}} u_{r,i,j}|$$

$$U_{B,i} = - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{DB,i}} w_{D,i,j} |d_j - (\sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}_{RD,j}} u_{r,k,j} + \sum_{k \in \mathcal{N}_{BD,j}} w_{b,k,j})| - w_{B,i} |\bar{b}_i - \sum_{k=0}^T \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}_{DB,i}} w_{b,i,k}|$$

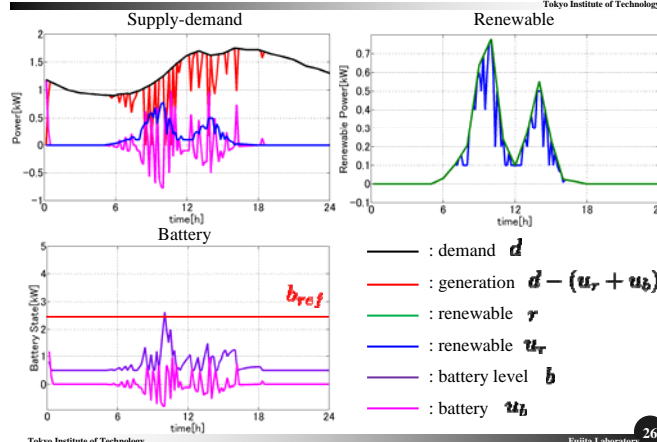
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Simulation ($\varepsilon = 0.1, k = 0.5$)

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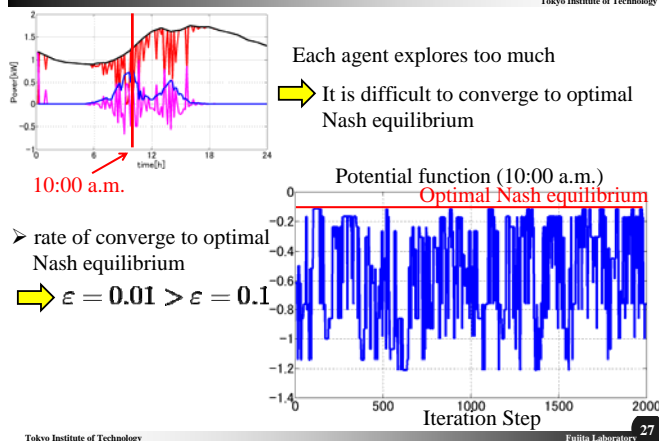
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Simulation ($\varepsilon = 0.1, k = 0.5$)

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Each agent explores too much
 → It is difficult to converge to optimal Nash equilibrium

➢ rate of converge to optimal Nash equilibrium
 → $\varepsilon = 0.01 > \varepsilon = 0.1$

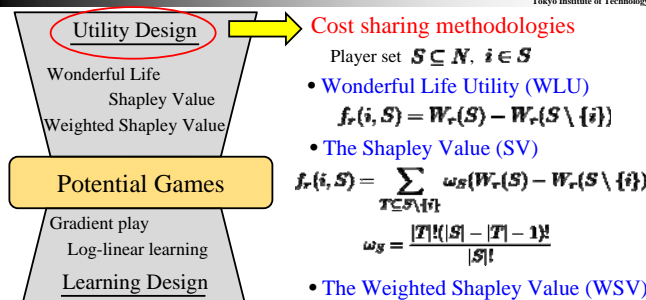
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Architecture for Potential Games and Utility Designs

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Cost sharing methodologies

Player set $S \subseteq N, i \in S$

• Wonderful Life Utility (WLU)

$$f_r(i, S) = W_r(S) - W_r(S \setminus \{i\})$$

• The Shapley Value (SV)

$$f_r(i, S) = \sum_{T \subseteq S \setminus \{i\}} \omega_S(W_r(S) - W_r(T \cup \{i\}))$$

$$\omega_S = \frac{|T|!(|S| - |T|)!}{|S|!}$$

• The Weighted Shapley Value (WSV)

Distribution Rule	Existence of Equilibrium	Potential Game	Budget Balanced	Tractable	Informational Requirement
WLU	yes	yes	no	yes	Medium
SV, WSV	yes	yes	yes	no	High

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State-Based Non-Cooperative Design

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State-based games

state $x(t) \in X$

- Utility function $U_i(a_i, a_{-i}, x)$
- State transition function $P: A \times X \rightarrow \Delta(X)$: the set of probability distribution over X
- Each player selects an action to maximize his expected utility
 $\therefore a_i(t) \in \arg \max_{a_i(t) \in A_i} \mathbf{E}[U_i(a_i(t), x(t))]$
- $x(t+1)$ is chosen randomly according to $P(a(t), x(t)) \in \Delta(X)$

State-based Nash Equilibrium $[a^*, x^*]$

for every x' in the support of $P(a^*, x^*)$,

$$U_i(a_i^*, a_{-i}^*, x') = \max_{a_i \in A_i} U_i(a_i, a_{-i}^*, x')$$

State-based Potential games

$\exists \phi: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $a_i^* \in A_i$,

$$U_i(a_i^*, a_{-i}, x) - U_i(a_i, a_{-i}, x) > 0 \Rightarrow \phi(a_i^*, a_{-i}) - \phi(a_i) > 0$$

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Priority-Based Distribution Rule

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state = priority → Priority-based

x_i^r : the priority of player i at resource r

- $x_i^r < x_j^r$: i has higher priority than j
- $x_i^r = 1$: top priority

State dynamics: first in first out (FIFO)

- Multiple players seek to join a resource simultaneously
 → The order of the entering players is randomly chosen
- $a(t) = a(t-1) \Rightarrow x(t+1) = x(t)$

Priority-based utility $U_i(a', x) = \mathbf{E}_{P(a', x)} V_i(a', x')$

Expectation which x' is chosen: $\mathbf{E}_{P(a', x)} \bar{x}_i := \{j \in N: x_j^r \leq x_i^r\}$

Marginal contribution: $V_i(a, x) = \sum_{r \in R} (W^r(\bar{x}_i) - W^r(\bar{x}_i \setminus i))$

Distribution Rule	Budget Balanced	Tractable	PoS	PoA
Priority-Based	yes	yes	1	1/2

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