

# MAT406H5F. Assignment 3, due October 8

## Problem 1 of 5

Consider a zero-sum game with the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find Chris' optimal response to the  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, 0)$  strategy of Ruth.

## Problem 2 of 5

Solve the following zero-sum game, i.e. find the value of the game and all optimal strategies for both players

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Problem 3 of 5

Consider a zero-sum game with the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & a \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

where  $a$  is a parameter. For which values of  $a$  does the game have saddle point?

## Problem 4 of 5

Solve the following zero-sum game, i.e. find the value of the game and all *pure* optimal strategies for both players

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 5 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Added on October 2:** In this problem, you only need to look for *pure* strategies.

## Problem 5 of 5

Let  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{z} \neq \mathbf{0}$ , and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Denote by  $H(\mathbf{z}, c)$  the closed subspace  $\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{x} \leq c\}$ . Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a closed convex set.

Denote

$$\tilde{K} = \bigcap_{(K \subset H(\mathbf{z}, c))} H(\mathbf{z}, c),$$

i.e.  $\tilde{K}$  is the intersection of all closed subspaces containing  $K$ .

1. Prove that if  $\mathbf{x} \in K$ , then  $\mathbf{x} \in \tilde{K}$  and thus  $K \subset \tilde{K}$ .
2. Using the Separation Theorem, prove that if  $\mathbf{x} \notin K$  then  $\mathbf{x} \notin \tilde{K}$ , and thus  $\tilde{K} \subset K$ . Conclude that  $K = \tilde{K}$ .