

MAT406H5F. Assignment 5, due November 4

Problem 1 of 5

For the following game, find the safety levels of both players and all pure strategic equilibria

$$\begin{pmatrix} (0, 2) & (1, -1) & (2, 1) \\ (2, 2) & (-1, 2) & (4, 1) \\ (-1, 3) & (2, -2) & (0, 2) \\ (1, 1) & (2, 2) & (2, 0) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Problem 2 of 5

Contestants I and II start the game with \$100 and \$200 dollars respectively. Each must decide to pass or gamble, not knowing the choice of the other. A player who passes keeps the money he/she started with. If Player I gambles, he wins \$200 with probability $1/2$ or loses \$100 with probability $1/2$. If Player II gambles, she wins or loses \$200 with probability $1/2$ each. These outcomes are independent. Then the contestant with the higher amount at the end wins a bonus of \$300.

1. Draw the Kuhn tree.
2. Put into strategic form.
3. Find the safety levels.

Problem 3 of 5

Prove that in a two-person general sum game, the expected payoff of any player at any Strategic Equilibrium (mixed or pure) can not be smaller than the safety level of this player.

Problem 4 of 5

Find all the Nash equilibria in the game with the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} (1, 3) & (4, -1) \\ (3, 1) & (2, 2) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Problem 5 of 5

Let (A, B) be a *constant-sum game*, i.e. there exists a constant L such that for every i, j , $a_{ij} + b_{ij} = L$. Prove that for every two Nash equilibria the payoffs of R are the same.

Hint: If $L = 0$, it is a zero-sum game, and we can use Minimax Theorem.