



# Cluedo

There are  $m+n+1$  distinct cards

Player I : dealt  $m$  of them

Player II : dealt  $n$  of them

Remaining card: target card

Goal : guess what the target card is

On each turn, a player may : Guess or Ask

Guess : payoff = 1 if correct

payoff = 0 if wrong

$G_{m,n}$  Let  $V_{m,n} = v(G_{m,n})$

$$\begin{cases} V_{m,0} = 1, & m \geq 0 \\ V_{0,n} = \frac{1}{n+1}, & n \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

If Player I Asks a card he does not have (honest strategy), then play the game

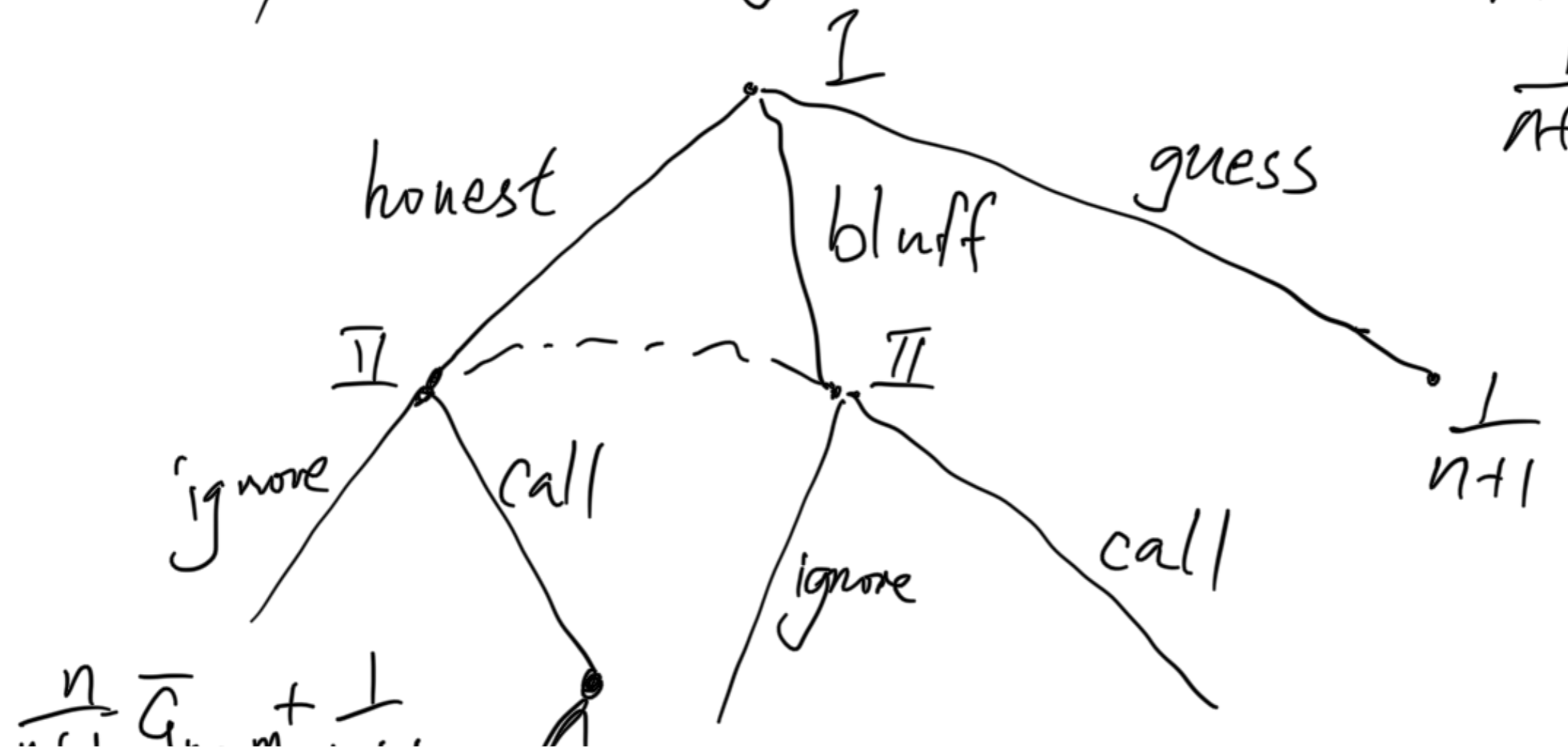
$\bar{G}_{n-1,m}$ : Player II holds  $n-1$  and moves first

$$v(\bar{G}_{n-1,m}) = 1 - v(G_{n,m})$$

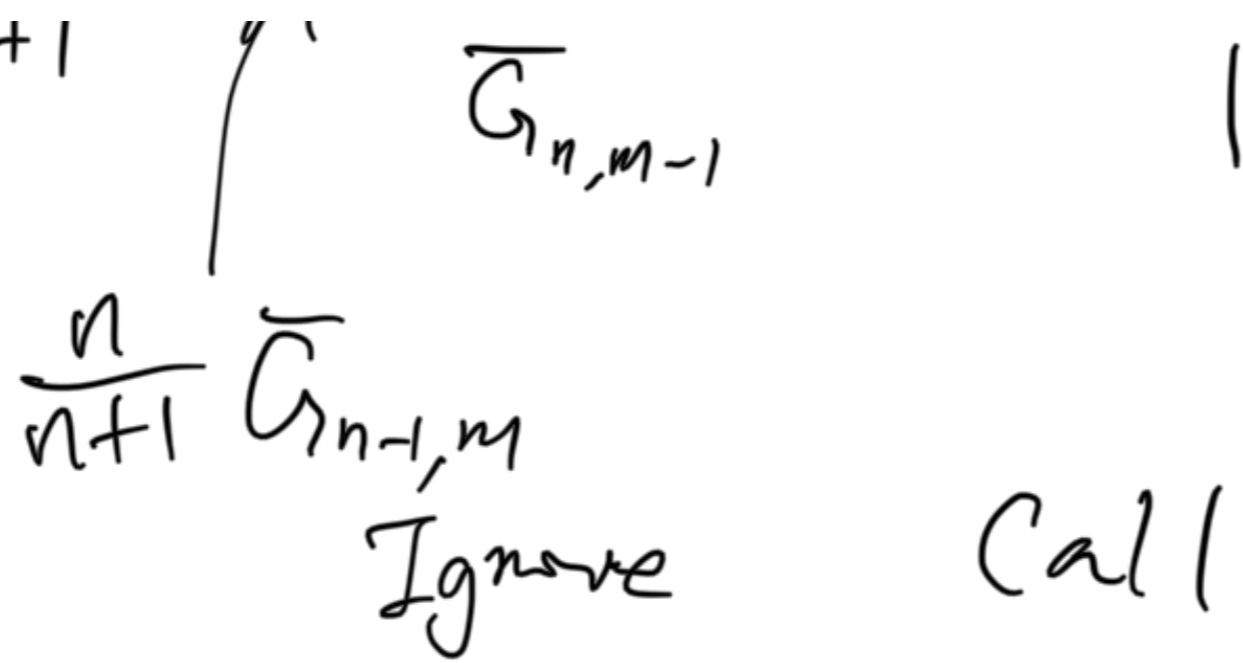
Player I: Honest, Bluff, Guess

Player II: Ignore, Call (guess the card player I asked)

$$\frac{1}{n+1} \times 1 + \frac{n}{n+1} \times 0$$



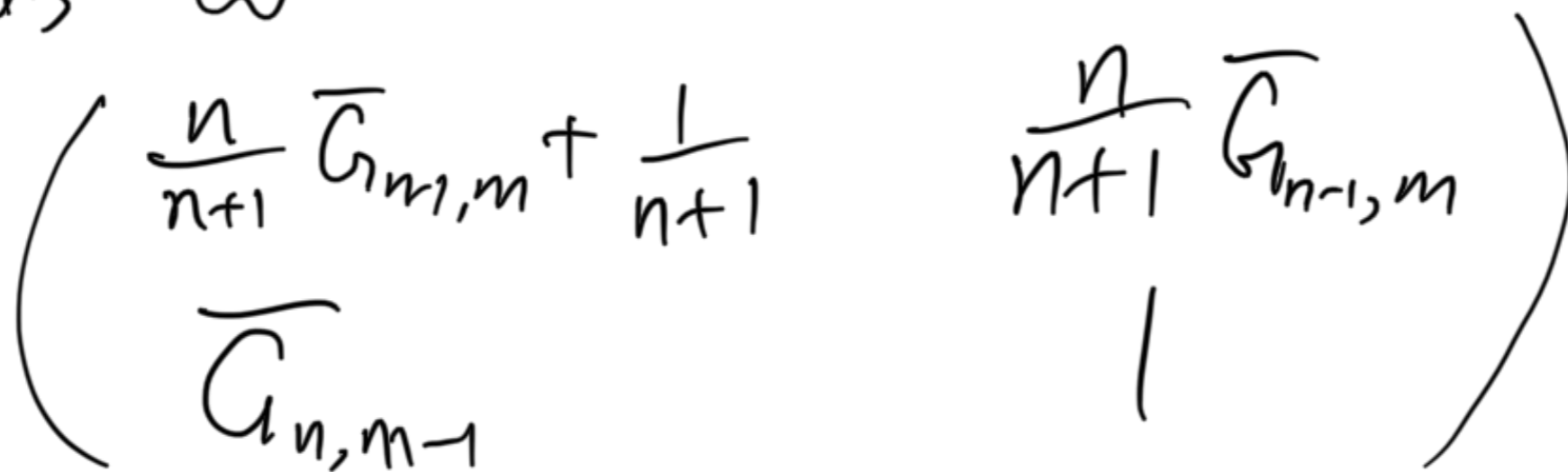
$n+1$   $n+1$   $n+1$



Honest	$\frac{n}{n+1} \overline{G}_{n-1,m} + \frac{1}{n+1}$	$\frac{n}{n+1} \overline{G}_{n-1,m}$
Bluff	$\overline{G}_{n,m-1}$	
Guess	$\frac{1}{n+1}$	$\frac{1}{n+1}$

Guess : dominated strategy

Reduces to



$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{n}{n+1}(1 - V_{n-1,m}) + \frac{1}{n+1} & \frac{n}{n+1}(1 - V_{n-1,m}) \\ 1 - V_{n,m-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{n+1 - nV_{n-1,m}}{n+1} & \frac{n - nV_{n-1,m}}{n+1} \\ 1 - V_{n,m-1} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Recall:

$$\begin{cases} V_{m,0} = 1 \\ V_{0,n} = \frac{1}{n+1} \end{cases}$$

$$V_{1,1} = v \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2 - V_{0,1}}{2} & \frac{1 - V_{0,1}}{2} \\ 1 - V_{1,0} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= v \begin{pmatrix} 3/4 & 1/4 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$v - v / \frac{2 - V_{0,2}}{2} \quad \frac{1 - V_{0,2}}{2} \quad |$$

$$\begin{aligned}
v_{2,1} &= v \left( \begin{array}{cc} \frac{2}{2} & \frac{2}{2} \\ 1 - v_{1,1} & 1 \end{array} \right) \\
&= v \left( \begin{array}{cc} \frac{5}{6} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{array} \right) \\
&= \frac{2}{3}
\end{aligned}$$

N-person Cooperative games

Transferable utility (TU) games

Let  $A = \{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$  be set of players.

Let  $X_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  : set of strategies of  $A_i$

D.L. function:

Payoff function:

$$\vec{\pi} = (\pi_1, \pi_2, \dots, \pi_n) : X_1 \times X_2 \times \dots \times X_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

$\pi_i$  is the payoff of  $A_i$

Def.  $S \subset A$  : coalition

$\emptyset$  : empty coalition

$A$  : grand coalition

The total number coalitions is  $2^n$

$S^c = A \setminus S$  : counter coalition

Characteristic function:

$$v : \mathcal{P}(A) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

power set of  $A$

set of all subset of A

For  $S \subset A$ ,  $v(S)$  is defined as the maximin value of  $S$  for the 2-person non-cooperative game between  $S$  and  $S^c$ .

Example:  $A = \{A_1, A_2, A_3\}$ ,  $X_i = \{1, 2\}$

Strategies

$\Rightarrow$

$(A, B)$

$(1, 1, 1)$   $(-2, 1, 2)$

$(1, 1, 2)$   $(1, 1, -1)$

$(1, 2, 1)$   $(0, -1, 2)$

$(1, 2, 2)$   $(-1, 2, 0)$

$(2, 1, 1)$   $(1, -1, 1)$

$(2, 1, 2)$   $(0, 0, 1)$

$(2, 2, 1)$   $(1, 0, 0)$

$(2, 2, 2)$   $(1, 2, -2)$

$S$   $v(A)$

$S^c$   $v(B^T)$



For  $S = \{A_1, A_2\}$ ,

$S^c = \{A_3\}$

		$S^c$	
		1	2
S	(1,1)	(-1, 2)	(2, -1)
	(1,2)	(-1, 2)	(1, 0)
	(2,1)	(0, 1)	(0, 1)
	(2,2)	(1, 0)	(3, -2)

$$v(S) = v \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} = 1$$

$$v(S^c) = v \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Constant sum game

S  $v(S)$   
1

$\{A_1\}$	$\frac{4}{3}$
$\{A_2\}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
$\{A_3\}$	0
$\{A_1, A_2\}$	1
$\{A_1, A_3\}$	$\frac{4}{3}$
$\{A_2, A_3\}$	$\frac{3}{4}$
$\{A_1, A_2, A_3\}$	1
$\emptyset$	0

Example: Used car game

	value the car	S	$v(S)$
$A_1$	0	$\{A_1\}, \{A_2\}, \{A_3\}$	0
$A_2$	\$500	$\{A_1, A_2\}$	500

$A_3$  $\$700$  $\{A_1, A_3\}$ 

700

 $\{A_2, A_3\}$ 

0

 $\{A_1, A_2, A_3\}$ 

700

 $\emptyset$ 

0

Thm: (Superadditivity)

For any  $S, T \subset A$  with  $S \cap T = \emptyset$ ,

$$v(S \cup T) \geq v(S) + v(T)$$

If  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_k$  are pairwise disjoint coalitions then

$$v\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^k S_i\right) \geq \sum_{i=1}^k v(S_i)$$

In particular,

$$v(N) \geq \sum_{i=1}^n v(\{i\})$$

$$v(A) \geq \sum_{i \in I} v(\{A_i\})$$

Def. The characteristic form of a game is a function  $v: \mathcal{P}(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  s.t.

1.  $v(\emptyset) = 0$

2. (Superadditivity) If  $S, T \in \mathcal{P}(A)$  with  $S \cap T = \emptyset$

then  $v(S \cup T) \geq v(S) + v(T)$ .

Def. A game  $(A, v)$  is essential if

$$v(A) > \sum_{i=1}^n v(\{A_i\})$$

$(A, v)$  is inessential if

$$v(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n v(\{A_i\})$$

Thm: If  $(A, \nu)$  is inessential, then for and  $S \subset A$ , we have

$$\nu(S) = \sum_{A_i \in S} \nu(\{A_i\})$$

Proof. By superadditivity

$$\nu(S) \geq \sum_{A_i \in S} \nu(\{A_i\}) \text{ and } \nu(S^c) \geq \sum_{A_j \in S^c} \nu(\{A_j\})$$

If  $(A, \nu)$  is inessential,

$$\begin{aligned} \nu(A) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \nu(\{A_i\}) = \sum_{A_i \in S} \nu(\{A_i\}) + \sum_{A_j \in S^c} \nu(\{A_j\}) \\ &\leq \nu(S) + \nu(S^c) \\ &\leq \nu(A) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore v(S) = \sum_{A_i \in S} v(\{A_i\})$$

Def An  $n$ -vector  $\vec{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is called an imputation for  $(A, v)$  if

$$1. \quad x_i \geq v(\{A_i\}) \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$2. \quad \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = v(A)$$

The set of imputations is denoted by  $I(v)$

Note:  $v$  is inessential  $\Rightarrow I(v) = \{(v(\{A_1\}), v(\{A_2\}), \dots, v(\{A_n\}))\}$

$v$  is essential  $\Rightarrow$  There are infinitely many imputations

## Core and Shapley values

Def. The core of  $(A, v)$  consists of

$\vec{x} \in I(v)$  such that for any  $S \subset A$ ,  
we have

$$\sum_{A_i \in S} x_i \geq v(S)$$

$$\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

The set of all imputations in the core is  
denoted by  $C(v)$

$$C(v) \subset I(v)$$