

# A Modern Introduction to Static and Dynamic Non-cooperative Game Theory

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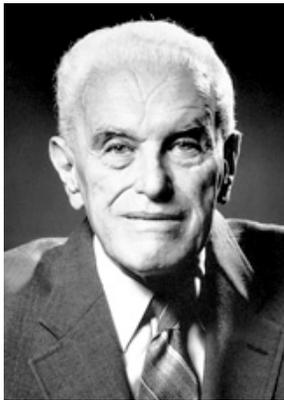


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“for their pioneering analysis of equilibria in the theory of non-cooperative games”



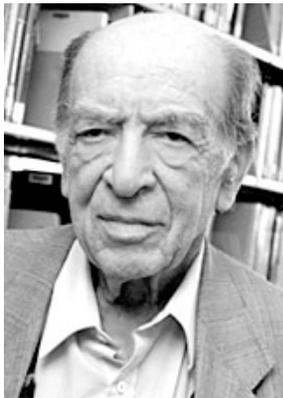
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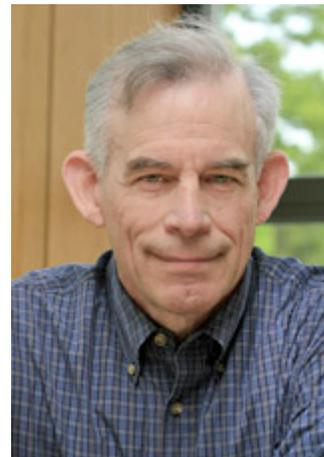
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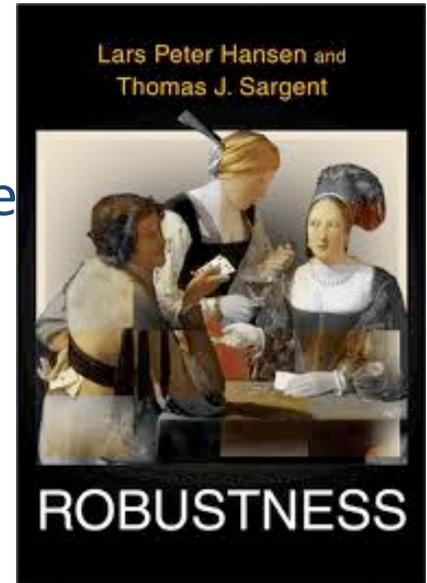
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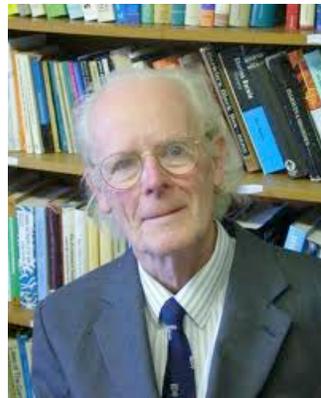
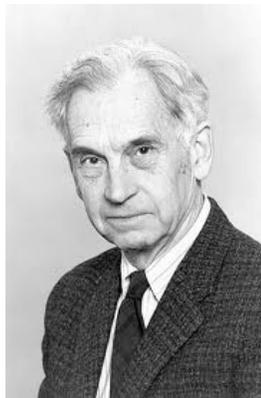


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nal expectations to work. When we became aware of Whittle’s 1990 book, *Risk Sensitive Control*, and later his 1996 book, *Optimal Control: Basics and Beyond*, we eagerly worked through them. These and other books on robust control theory, such as Başar and Bernhard’s 1995 *H<sup>∞</sup> – Optimal Control and Related Minimax Design Problems: A Dynamic Game Approach*, provide tools for approaching the ‘soft’ but important question of how to make decisions when you don’t fully trust your model.

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- Applications in various fields
  - Auction theory
  - Network science
  - Control theory
  - Security science
  - Transportation
  - Biology, etc.

# Game Theory: Present

- Societies
  - International Society of Dynamic Games (1990 - )
  - Game Theory Society (1999 - )
  - Several regional ones
- Conferences and Symposia (numerous)
- Book Series
  - T. Başar (Series Ed.), *Static & Dynamic Game Theory: Foundations & Applications*, Birkhäuser, 2011
- Journals (Numerous)
  - Games and Economic Behavior
  - International J. Game Theory
  - J. Dynamic Games and Applications

# Game Theory: Present

- Books

- G. Owen, *Game Theory*, 3rd edition, AP, 1995
- D. Fudenberg, J. Tirole, *Game Theory*, MIT Press, 1991
- T. Başar, G.J. Olsder, *Dynamic Noncooperative Game Theory*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, SIAM Classics, 1999
- R.B. Myerson, *Game Theory: Analysis of Conflict*, Harvard, 1991
- M. J. Osborne, A. Rubinstein, *A Course in Game Theory*, MIT Press, 1994.

- Books (lighter side and more specialized)

- K. Binmore, *Fun and Games*, D.C. Heath and Co, 1992
- J.D. Williams, *The Compleat Strategyst*. McGraw-Hill, 1954
- W. Poundstone, *Prisoner's Dilemma*, Doubleday, 1992

# Game Theory: Rich in Models and Concepts

- Zero-sum vs. Nonzero-sum games
- Non-cooperative vs. Cooperative games
- Complete vs. Incomplete information games
- Deterministic vs. Stochastic games
- Static vs. Dynamic/Differential games
- Stackelberg games
- Multi-layer and multi-resolution games
- Large population games
- Bargaining, bidding, auctions, ...



# Static Games

- Matrix Games
- Learning in Games
- Stackelberg Games
- Games-in-Games

# Generic Non-Cooperative Games

- Players:  $\mathcal{N} = \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ 
  - Decision/action for Player  $i$ :  $x_i \in X_i$ .
  - Possible coupled constraints:  $\mathbf{x} \in \Omega \subseteq \mathbf{X}$ .
  - Net utility function for each player:  $V_i(x_i, x_{-i})$ .
  
- $x_{-i}$  : decisions/actions of all players other than Player  $i$
- $V_i$  is maximized by Player  $i$  over  $\Omega(x_{-i})$
- Game triplet:  $\langle \mathcal{N}, \{V_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{N}}, \{\Omega(x_{-i})\}_{i \in \mathcal{N}} \rangle$

# Equilibrium of Generic Non-Cooperative Games

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- Non-cooperative Nash Equilibrium (NE):  $\mathbf{x}^*$

$$V_i(x_i^*, x_{-i}^*) \geq V_i(x_i, x_{-i}^*), \text{ for all } x_i \in X_i, x_i \in \Omega(x_{-i}), i \in \mathcal{N}.$$

- Players can not benefit by **unilaterally deviating** from their strategies.

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- Zero-sum game:  $N = 2$ ,  $V := -V_1 = V_2$ 
  - NE is Saddle-Point (SP).

$$V(x_1^*, x_2) \leq V(x_1^*, x_2^*) \leq V(x_1, x_2^*)$$

## Example 1: Prisoner's Dilemma

		C	D
		C	D
(G <sub>1</sub> )	C	2, 2	0, <u>3</u>
	D	<u>3</u> , 0	<u>1</u> , <u>1</u>

- Both players are maximizers.
- NE in pure strategies (D, D) vs. socially optimal solution (C, C)
- Loss of efficiency:

$$\text{Price of Anarchy (PoA)} = \frac{\text{Social Welfare under NE}}{\text{Optimal Social Welfare}} = \frac{1+1}{2+2} = 50\%$$

- Decentralization: Resilience vs. Robustness

## Example 2: Battle of Sexes

(G<sub>2</sub>)

	B	S
B	2, 1	0, 0
S	0, 0	1, 2

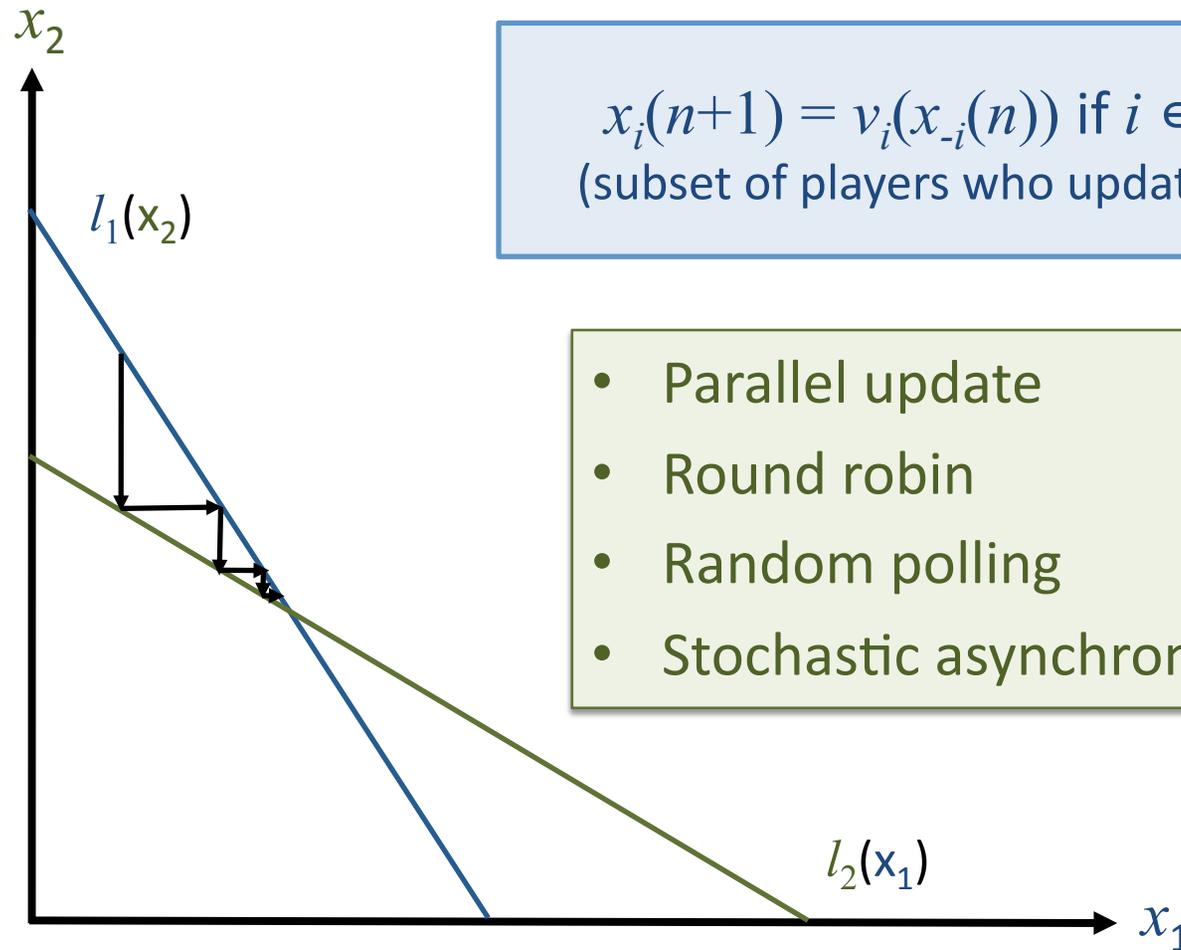
- Both players are maximizers.
- B = Bach (or Ballet); S = Stravinsky (or Soccer)
- Two NE in pure strategies: (B, B) and (S, S)
- One NE in mixed strategy:  $\{(2/3, 1/3), (1/3, 2/3)\}$
- It is a strategic game of **cooperation** (Interests are aligned).
- Win-win vs. win-lose situations.

## Example 3: Matching Penny Game

		H	T
(G <sub>3</sub> )	H	1, -1	-1, 1
	T	-1, 1	1, -1

- Both players are maximizers.
- No existence of pure strategy equilibrium
- SP equilibrium in mixed strategies:  $\{(0.5, 0.5), (0.5, 0.5)\}$
- Value of the game:  $val[G_3] = 0$
- Every finite zero-sum matrix game has a SPE in mixed strategies – Minimax Theorem (Von Neumann 1928)
- Attacker vs. Defender
- Disturbances vs. Robust control

# Iterative Algorithms: Best Response Algorithm



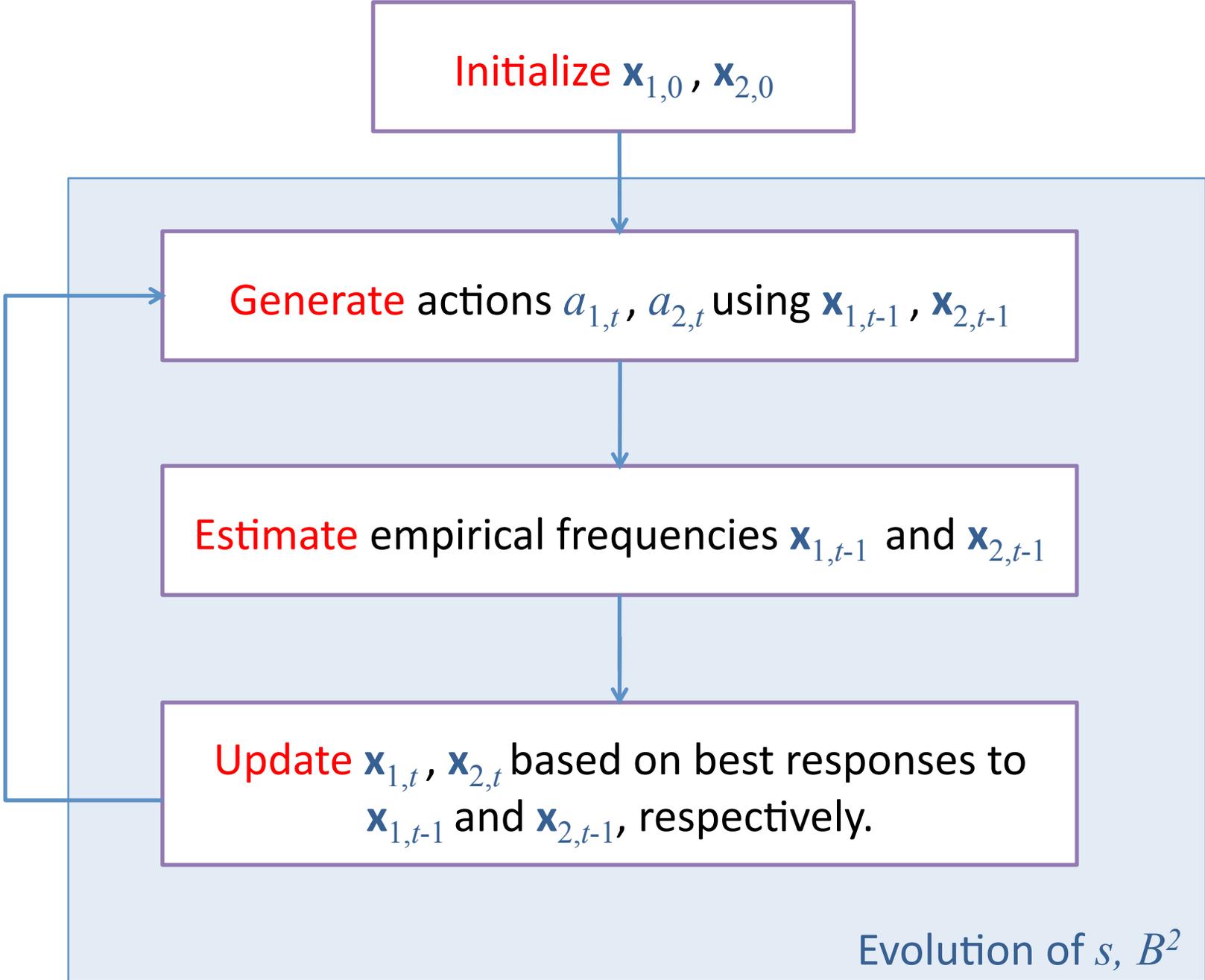
$$x_i(n+1) = v_i(x_{-i}(n)) \text{ if } i \in K_n$$

(subset of players who update at  $n$ )

- Parallel update
- Round robin
- Random polling
- Stochastic asynchronous

# Learning Algorithms

- Learning algorithms are essential for applications of game theory.
- Classical learning algorithms
  - Best response dynamics
  - Fictitious play
- A new class of learning algorithms
  - No knowledge of your own payoff function
  - No knowledge of the payoff function of your opponents
  - No knowledge of the action spaces of the opponents
- Players have different levels of rationality and intelligence
  - Active learner vs. passive learner
  - Fast learner vs. slow learner
  - Homogeneous learn vs. heterogeneous and hybrid learner
- Players do not interact all the time.

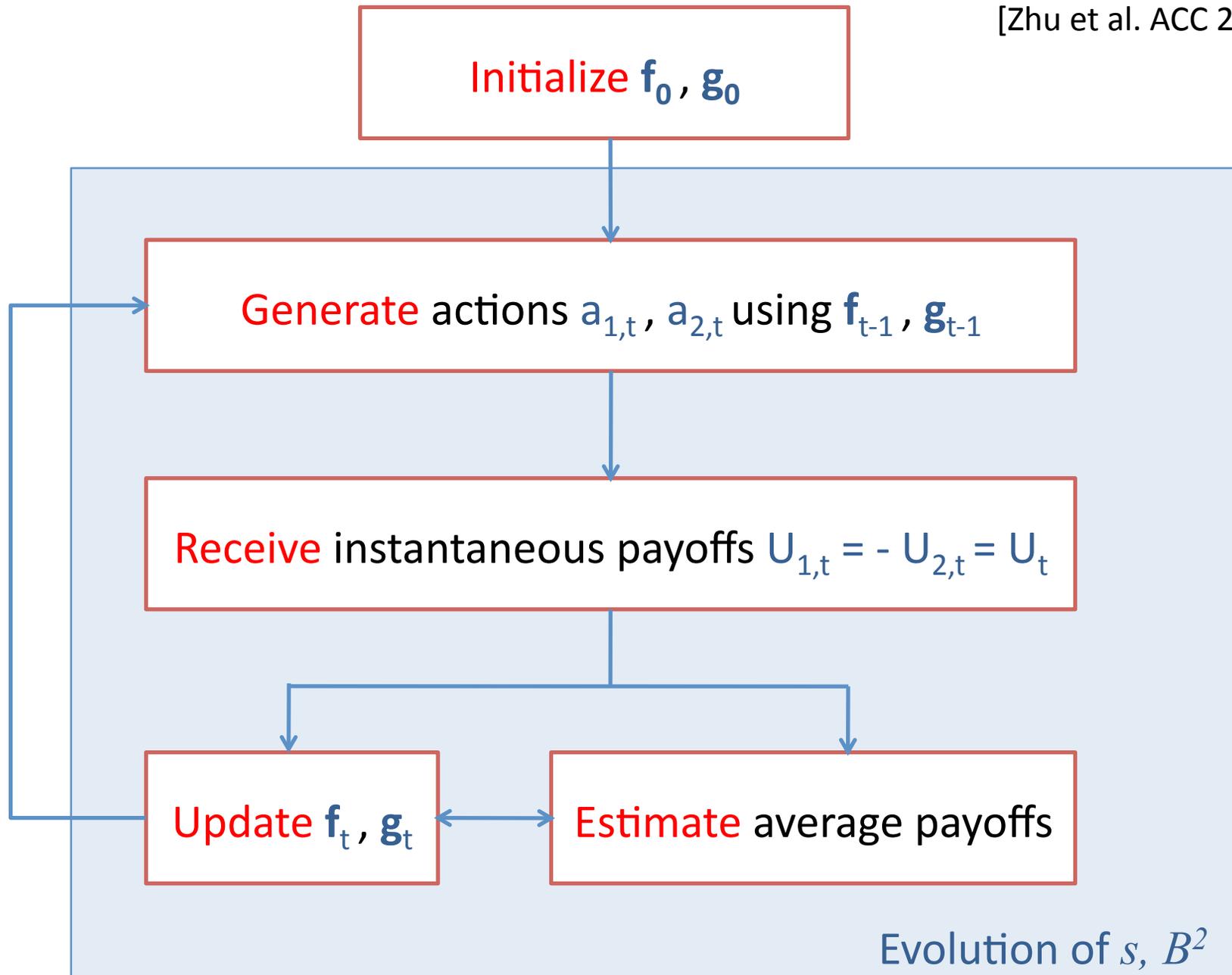


# Fictitious-Play Algorithms

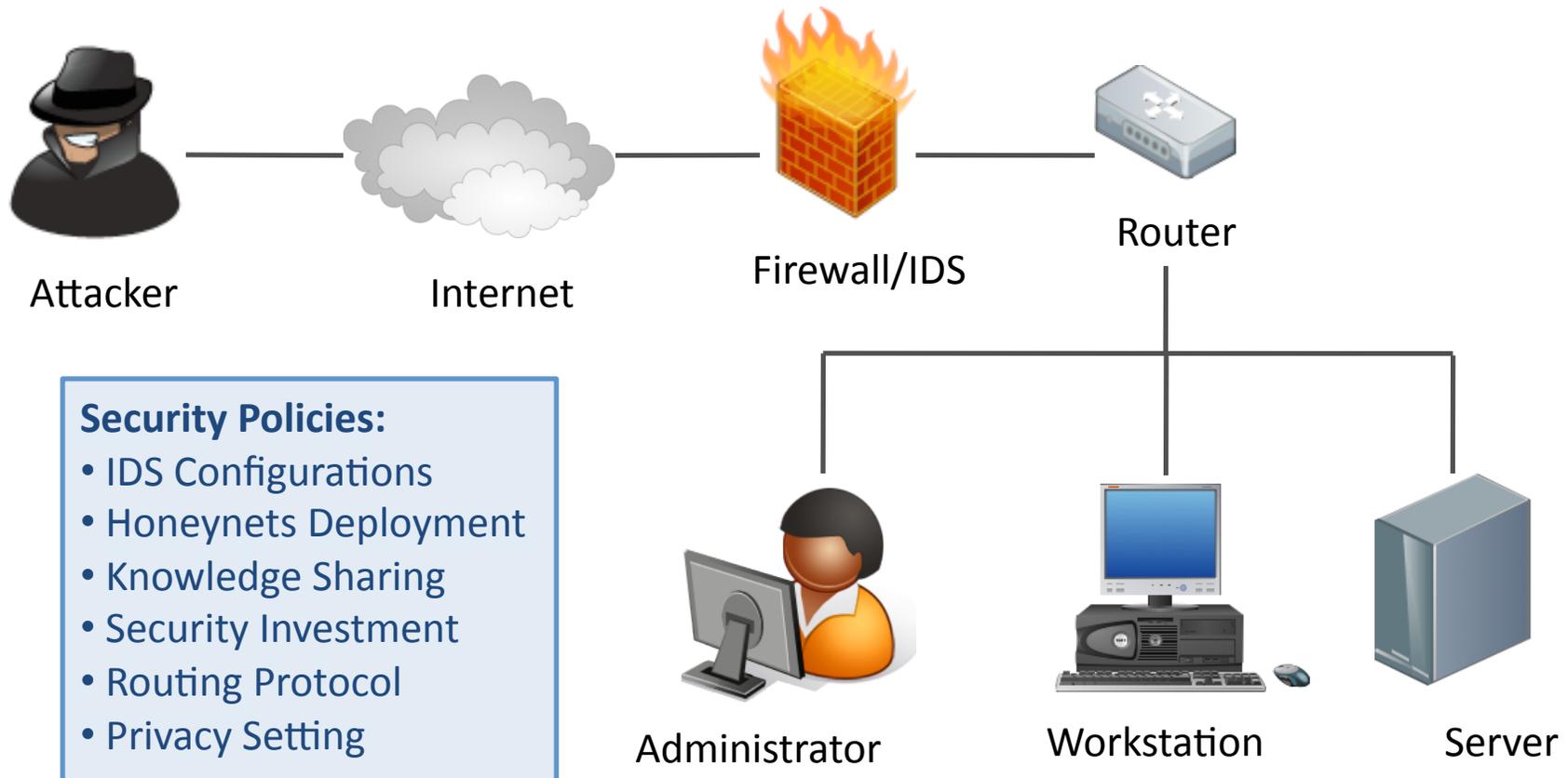
		Column Player	
		H	T
Row Player	H	1, -1	-1, 1
	T	-1, 1	1, -1

Round t	Row Action	Column Action	Row Empirical Counts	Column Empirical Counts	Row Strategy	Column Strategy
0			(4/5, 1/5)	(1/5, 4/5)	(1, 0)	(1, 0)
1	H	H	(5/6, 1/6)	(2/6, 4/6)	(0, 1)	(0, 1)
2	T	T	(5/7, 2/7)	(2/7, 5/7)	(0, 1)	(0, 1)

[Zhu et al. CDC 2010]  
[Zhu et al. ACC 2011]



# Applications to Network Security



# Network Security: A Simple Model

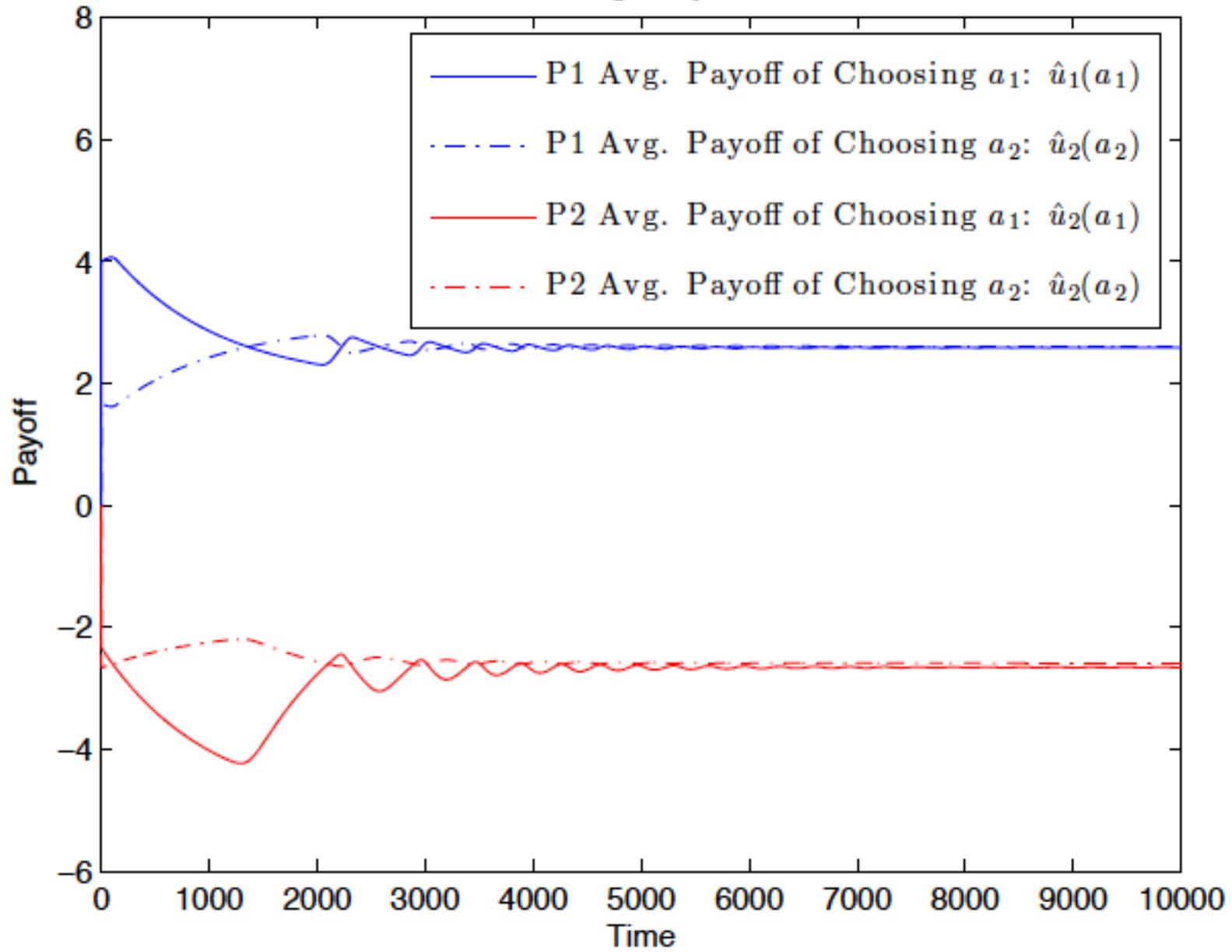
- Consider a two-person game:
  - The defender (P1) and the attacker (P2)
  - P1 (row player): either to defend (D) or not to defend (ND).
  - P2 (column player): either to attack or not to attack (NA).

	N	NA
D	5, -5	2, -2
ND	1, -1	3, -3

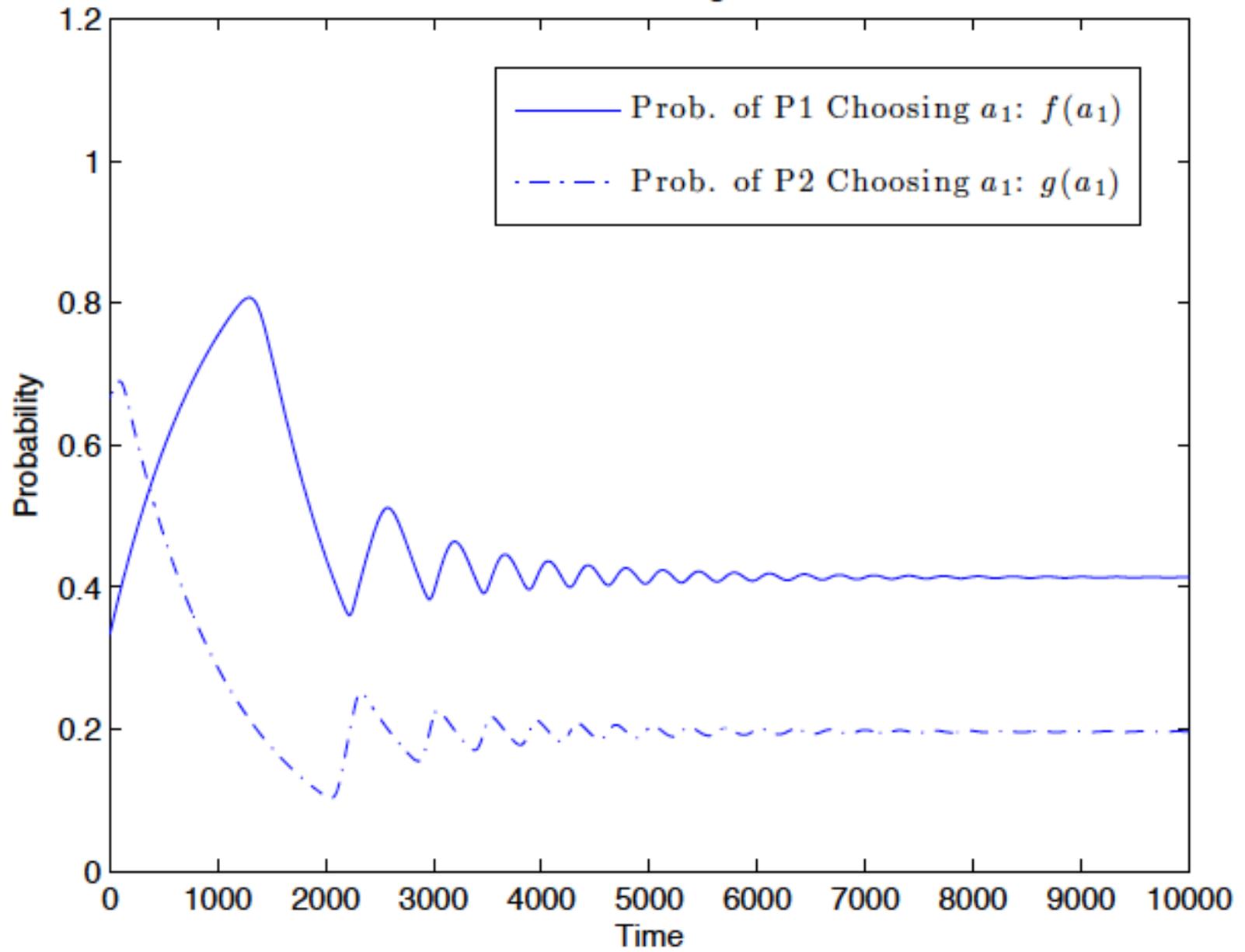
+ Noise

- Knowledge of P1 and P2:
  - Players do not know the payoff matrix.
  - Players do not have the knowledge of the action spaces of each others.

Average Payoffs



### Mixed Strategies

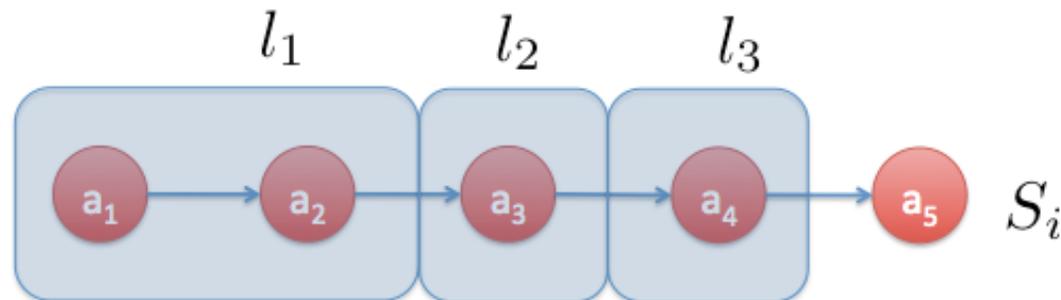


# Network Security: IDS Configuration

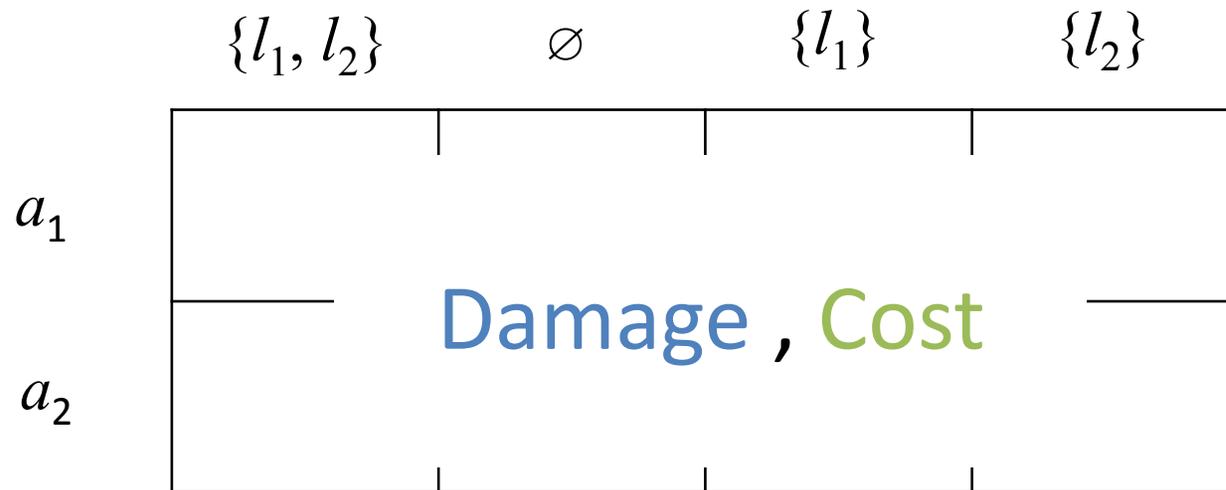
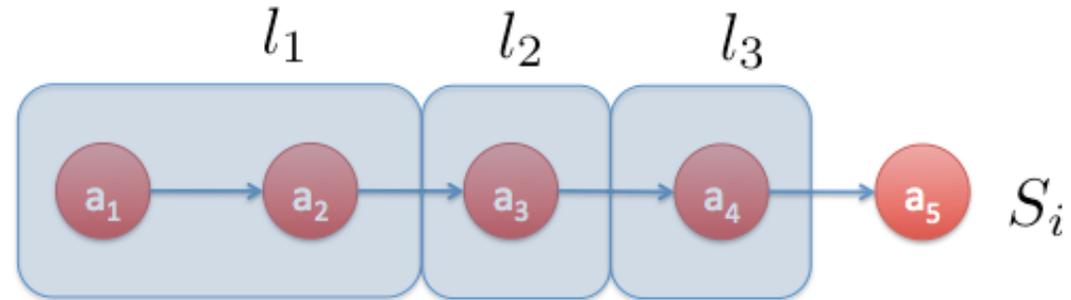


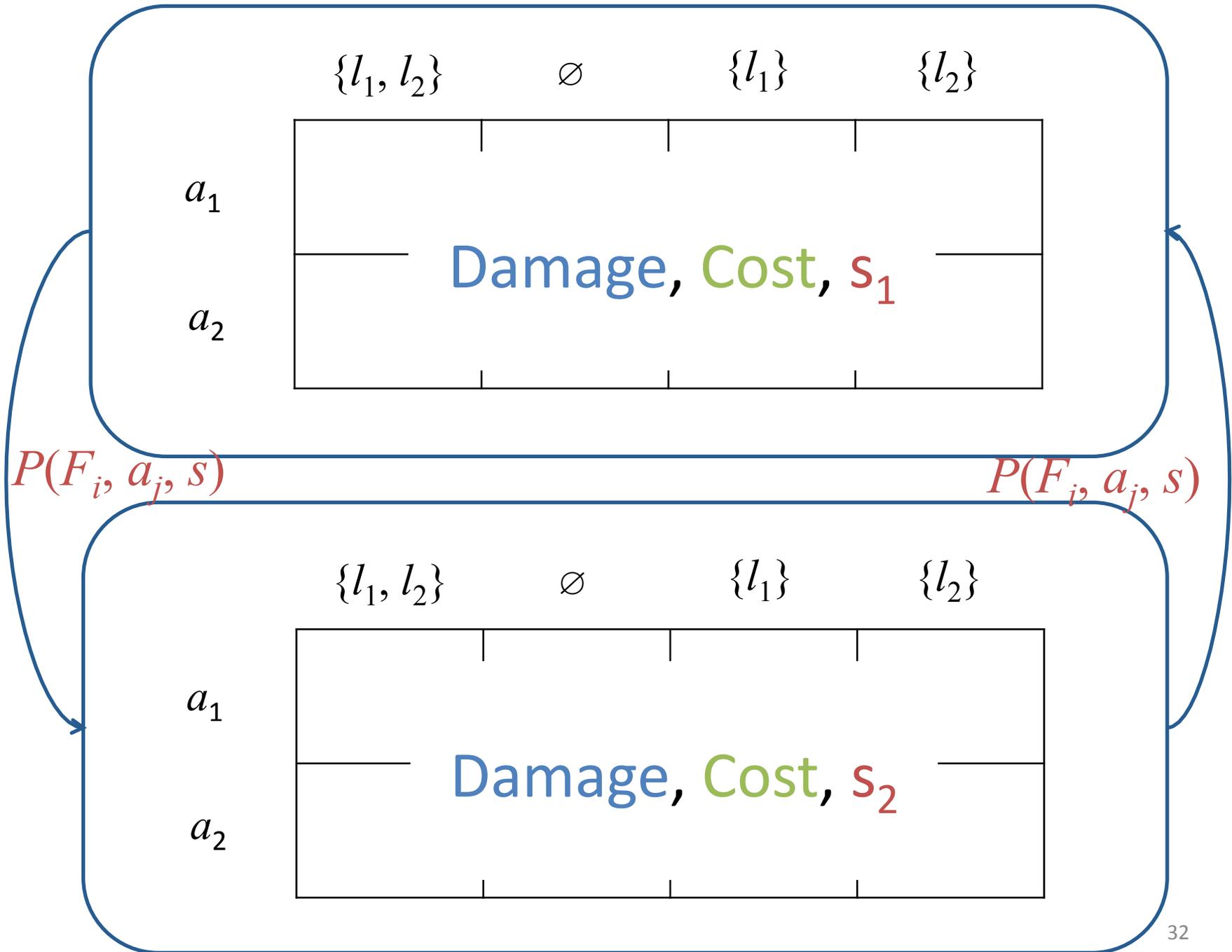
# System Model: An Example

- IDS Model
  - 2 libraries  $\mathcal{L} = \{l_1, l_2\}$
  - 4 configurations (can be constrained):  $\{\{l_1, l_2\}, \emptyset, \{l_1\}, \{l_2\}\}$
  - An IDS chooses an optimal configuration  $F_i$ .
- Attacker Model
  - An attacker has different types of attack  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_M$ .
  - An attacker chooses a sequence of attacks, e.g. from attack trees,  $S_i = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5\}$ .



# System Model: An Example





# Stackelberg Game

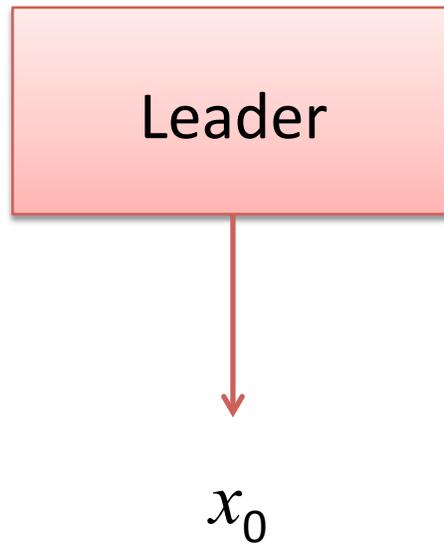
- NE is efficient if it is also **Pareto optimal** solution or it maximizes  $\sum_i V_i(x_i, x_{-i})$ .
- One way to induce **efficiency** is through **incentives** (e.g. pricing): Obtain efficient NE of the game with individual payoffs by choosing proper  $\{r_i\}$ .

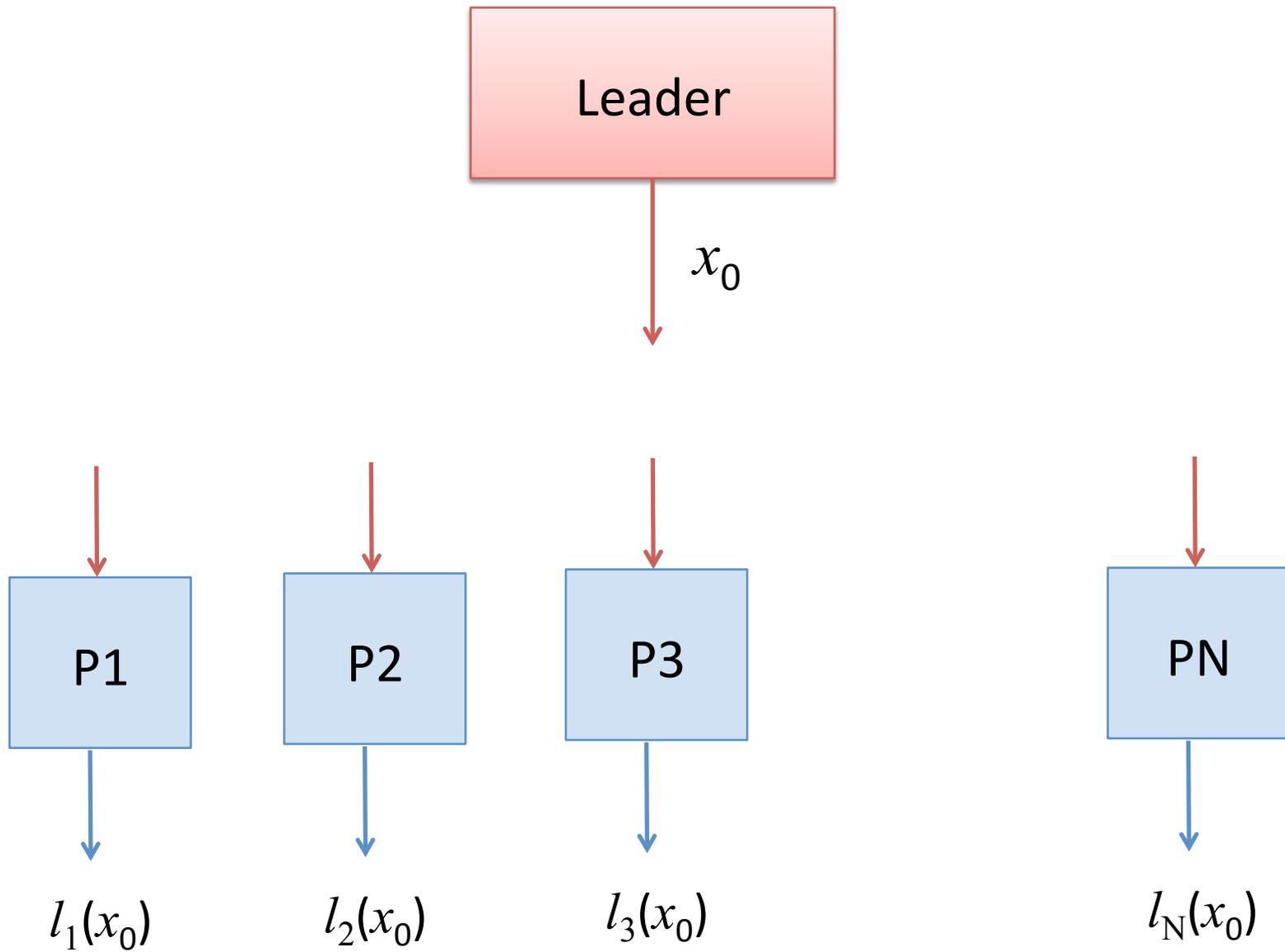
$$V_i(x_i, x_{-i}) = U_i(\mathbf{x}) - r_i(x_i)$$

- Essentially a Stackelberg game where  $\{r_i\}$  are leaders' decision variables.

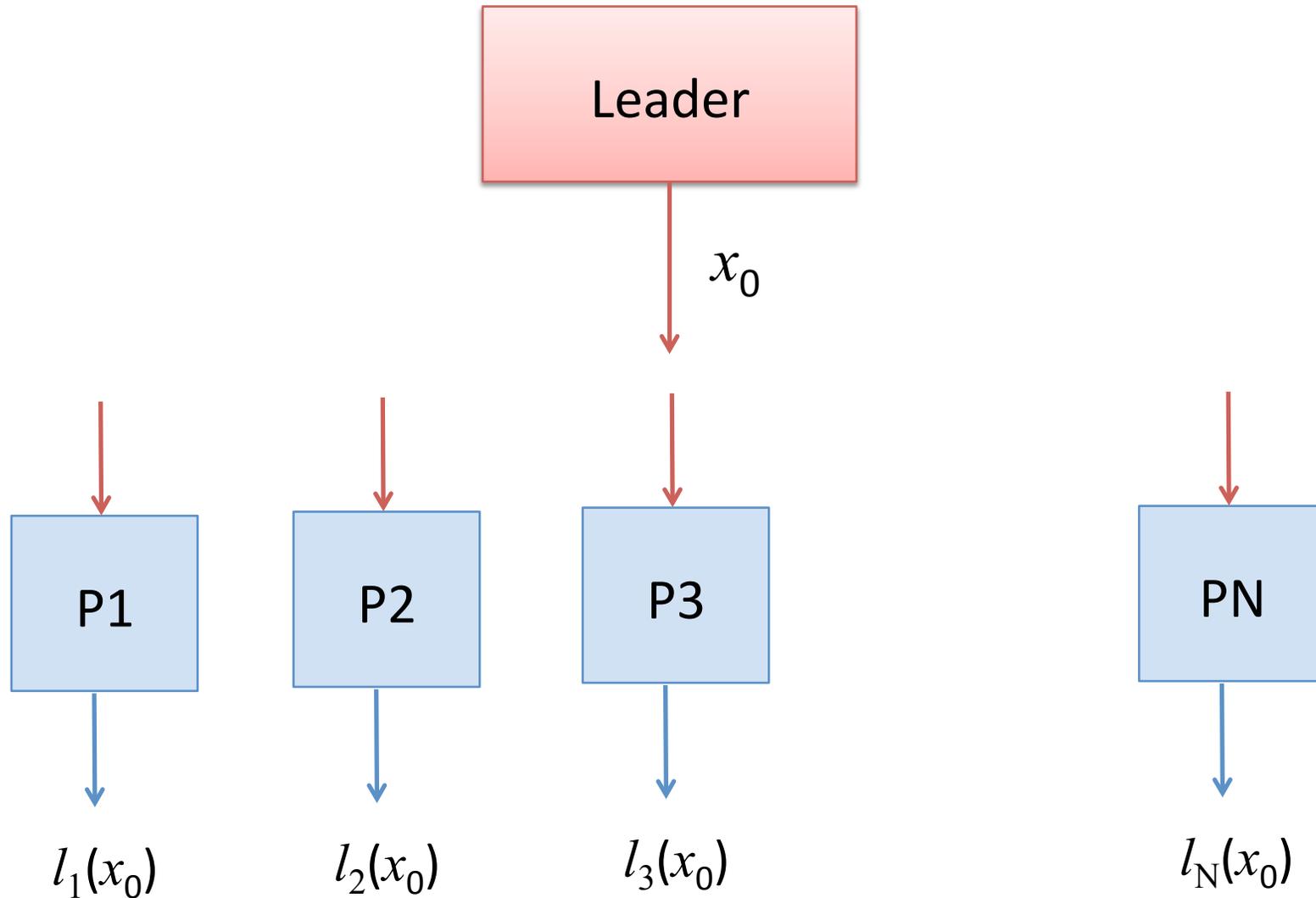
# Stackelberg Solution Concept

Leader announces an action/strategy





$$V_0(x_0^*; l(x_0^*)) = \max V_0(x_0; l(x_0))$$

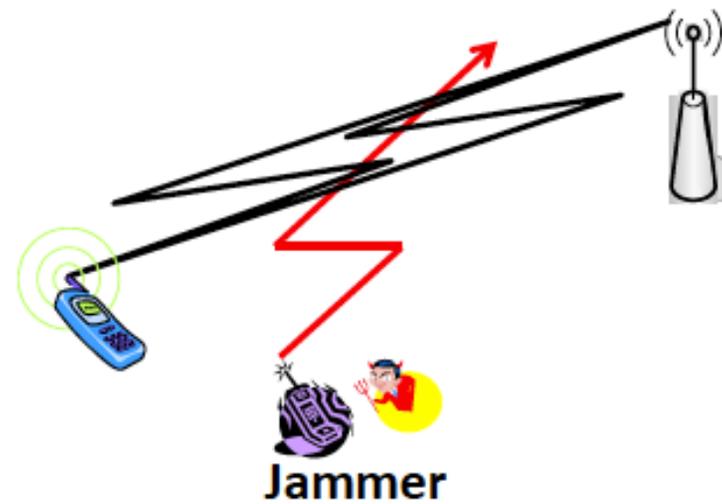
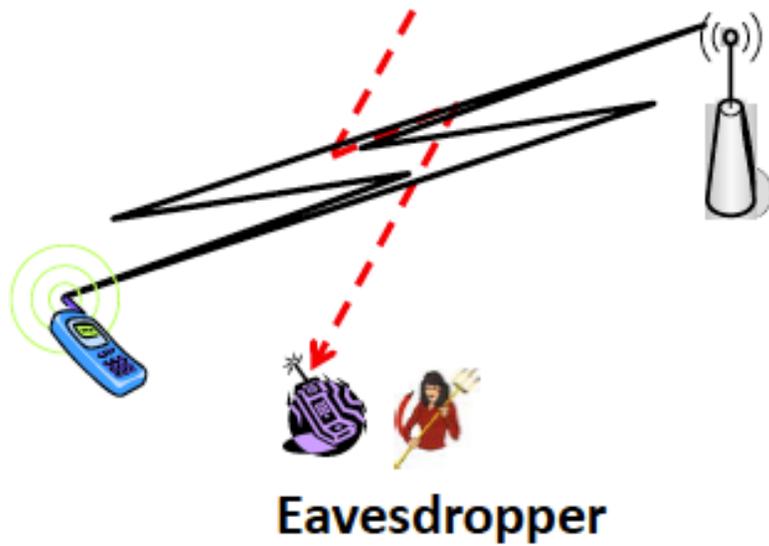


# Security Games

Attacker

Defender

		Active	Passive
Active	Nash	Stackelberg	
Passive	Stackelberg	Nash	



[Manshaei et al., ACM Survey, 2012]

- In addition to  $N$  players, Player 0 as **leader**, with utility  $V_0(x_0; x_1, \dots, x_N)$ , who chooses an action/strategy  $x_0$  to maximize his utility.

- $x^*$  a Stackelberg equilibrium solution (SES) if

$$V_0(x_0^*; l(x_0^*)) = \max V_0(x_0; l(x_0))$$

–  $l(x_0)$  is unique NE solution of the  $N$ -person follower game.

- **No general** clean existence and uniqueness results for multi-follower Stackelberg solution.
- For two-person NZS games, if  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are **compact**,  $V_i(x_1, x_2)$  is **continuous**,  $i = 1, 2$ , and  $l_2(x_1)$  is characterized by a **finite** family of **continuous** maps, then the NZSG admits a SES.

# Example

$(G_S)$		P2		
		L	M	R
P1	L	0, -1	2, 1	$3/2, -2/3$
	M	1, 2	1, 0	3, 1
	R	-1, 0	2, 1	2, $-1/2$

- Both players minimize.

# Example (Cont'd)

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	M	1, 2	<u>1</u> <sup>N</sup> , <u>0</u> <sup>N</sup>	3, 1
	R	<u>-1</u> , 0	2, 1	2, <u>-1/2</u>

- Both players minimize.
- (M,M) is the pure-strategy NE with equilibrium cost(1, 0).

# Example (Cont'd)

		P2		
		L	M	R
(G <sub>S</sub> )  P1	L	$0^{S1}, \underline{-1}^{S1}$	$2, 1$	$3/2, -2/3$
	M	$1, 2$	$1, \underline{0}$	$3, 1$
	R	$-1, 0$	$2, 1$	$2, \underline{-1/2}$

- Both players minimize.
- Player 1 is the leader.
- (L,L) is the Stackelberg equilibrium with cost (0,-1)

# Example (Cont'd)

		P2		
		L	M	R
(G <sub>S</sub> )	L	0, -1	2, 1	<u>3/2</u> <sup>S2</sup> , -2/3 <sup>S2</sup>
	P1 M	1, 2	<u>1</u> , 0	3, 1
	R	<u>-1</u> , 0	2, 1	2, -1/2

- Both players minimize.
- Player 2 is the leader.
- (R,R) is the Stackelberg equilibrium with cost (3/2,-2/3).

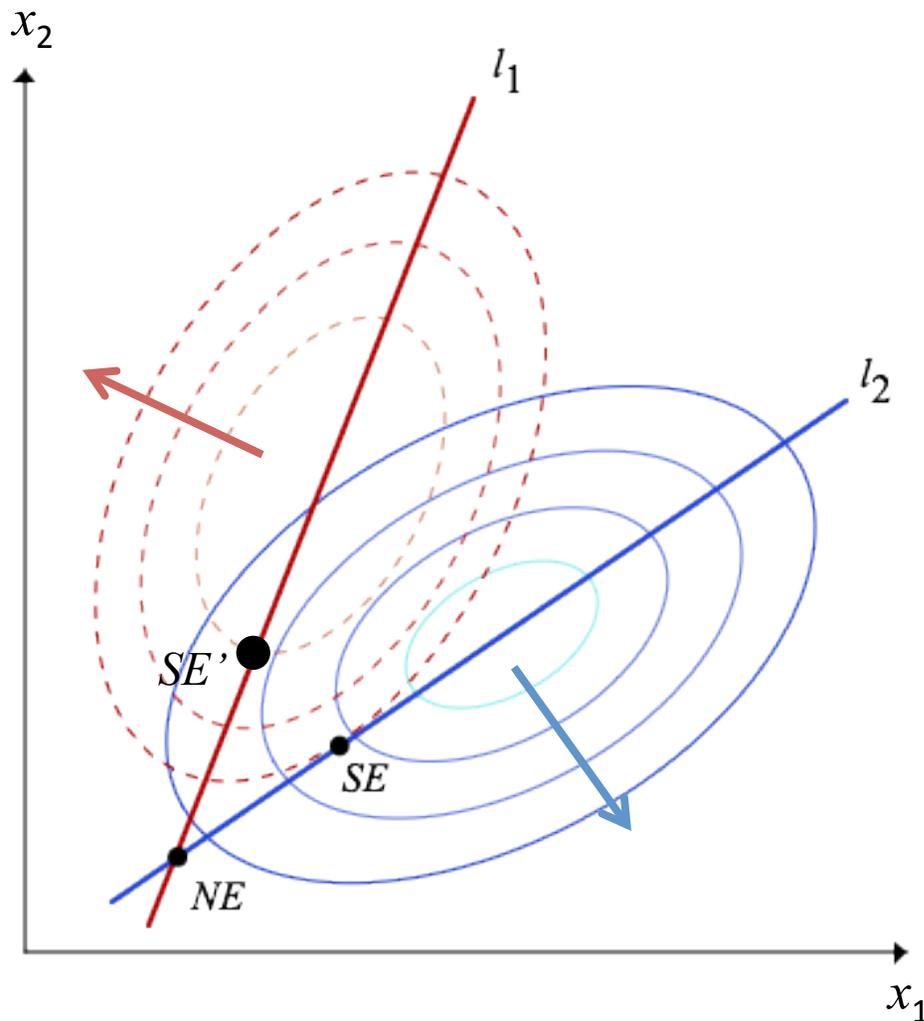
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(G<sub>S</sub>)

		P2		
		L	M	R
P1	L	$0^{S1}, -1^{S1}$	2, 1	$3/2^{S2}, -2/3^{S2}$
	M	1, 2	$1^N, 0^N$	3, 1
	R	-1, 0	2, 1	2, -1/2

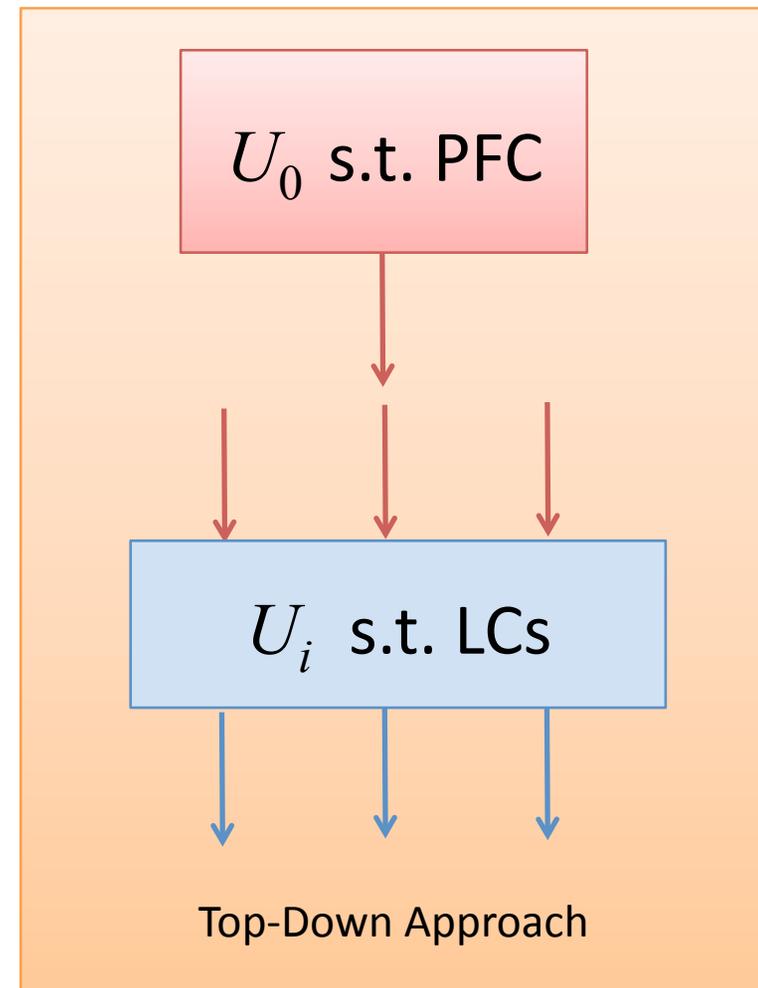
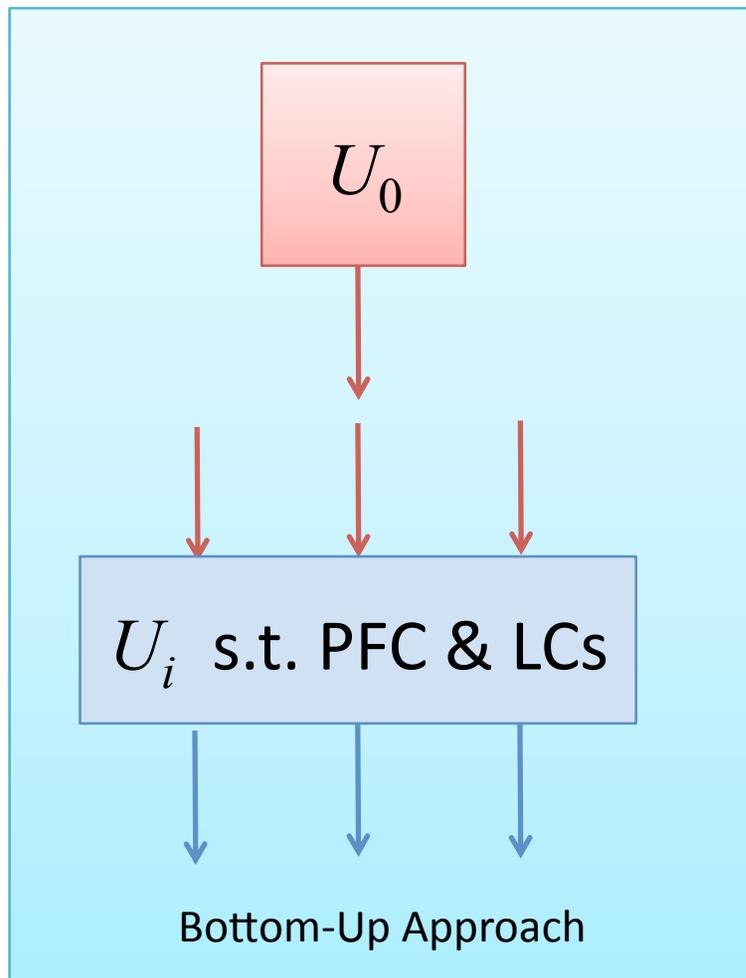
- Both player minimize.
- $(0^{S1}, -1^{S1})$  is better than  $(1^N, 0^N)$  for P1 (also for P2).
- $(3/2^{S2}, -2/3^{S2})$  is better than  $(1^N, 0^N)$  for P2 (worse for P1).

# Graphical Illustrations



- Both players *minimize* their costs  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  (in quadratic forms).
- SE is the Stackelberg equilibrium with P1 as the leader.
- SE yields *lower* costs for both players because the interests of P1 and P2 are *aligned* in some way.
- SE' is the Stackelberg equilibrium with P2 as the leader.
- With unique reaction functions, the leader cannot do worse in SE than in NE.

# Handling the Constraints: Top-Down vs. Bottom-Up Approaches

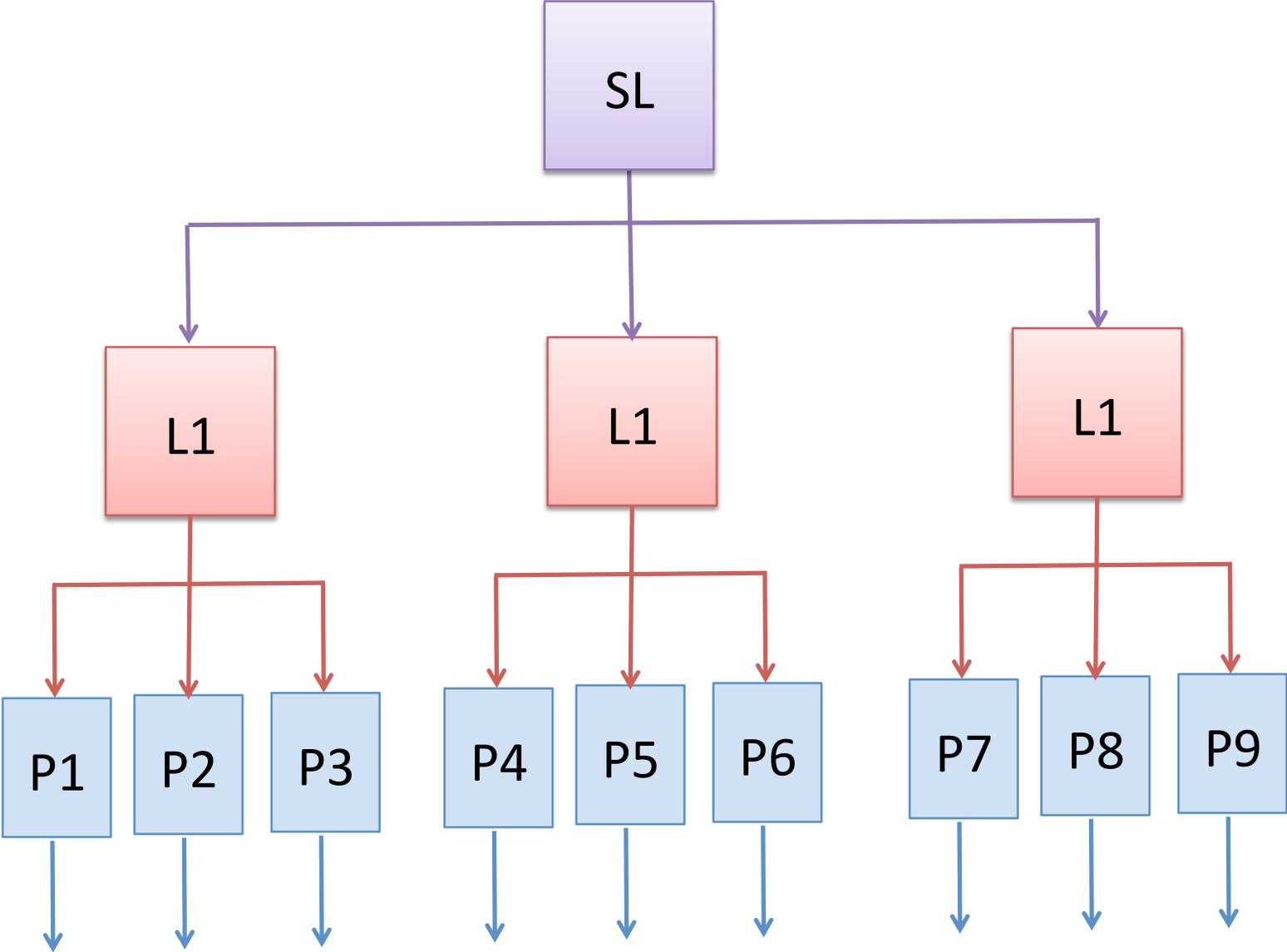


PFC: Power Flow Constraints

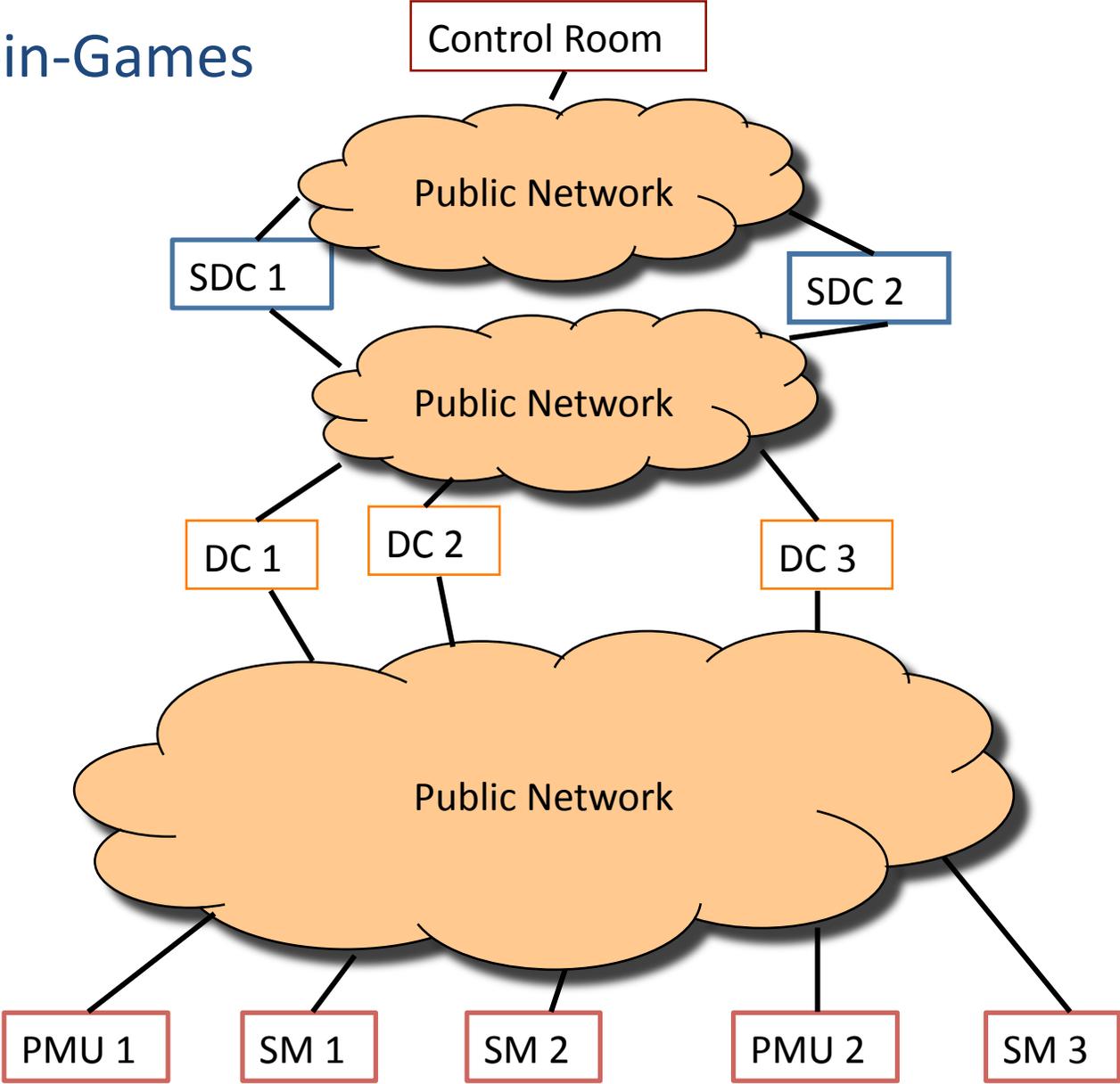
LC: Local Constraints

[Zhu and Pavel, 2008]

# Multiple Hierarchies

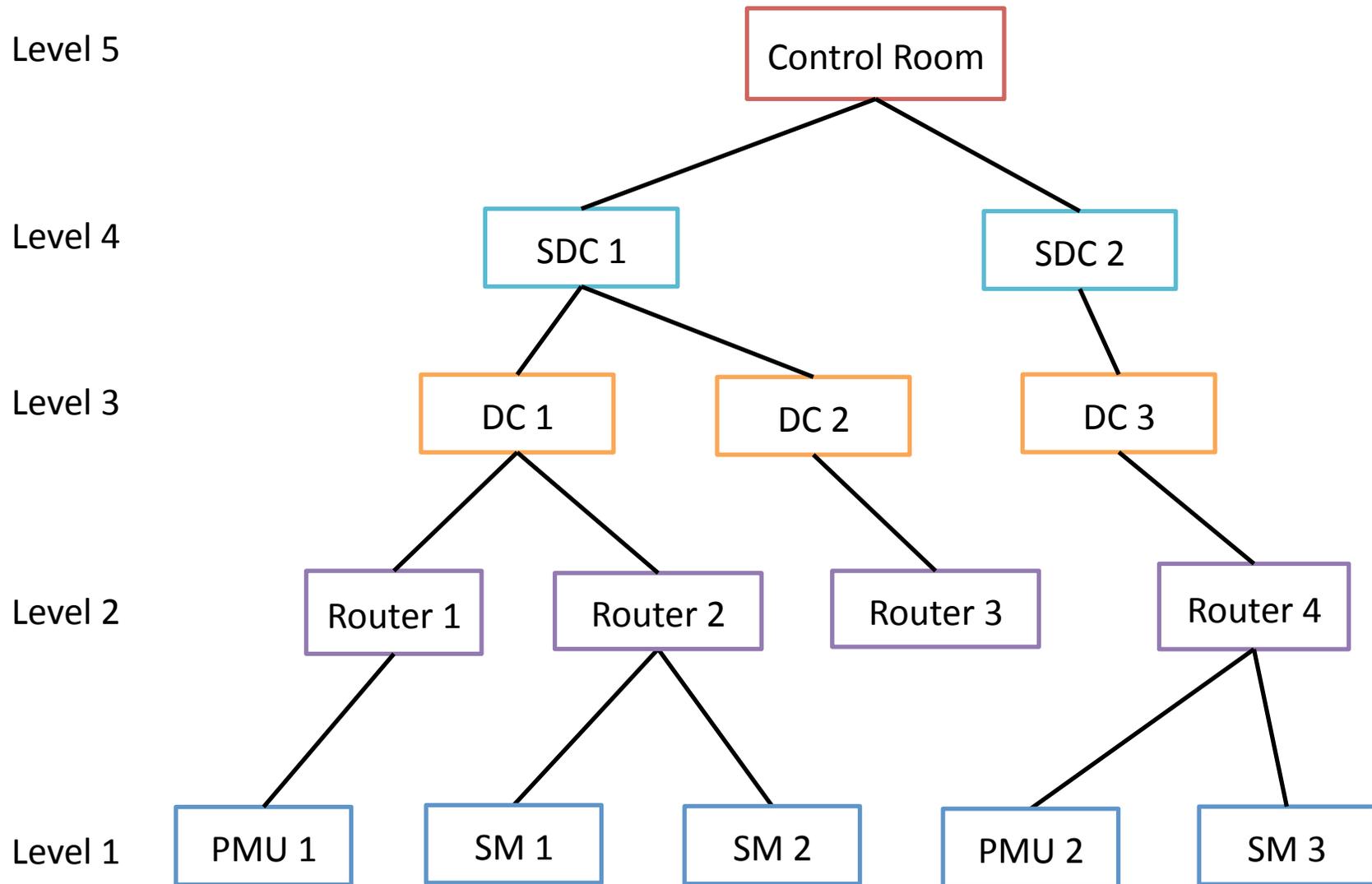


# Games-in-Games

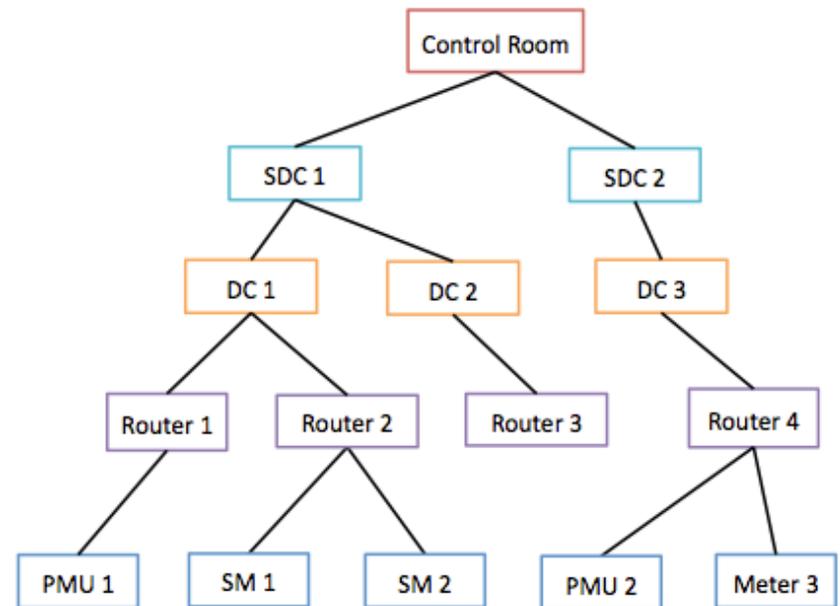


**Example: Secure Routing in Smart Grids**

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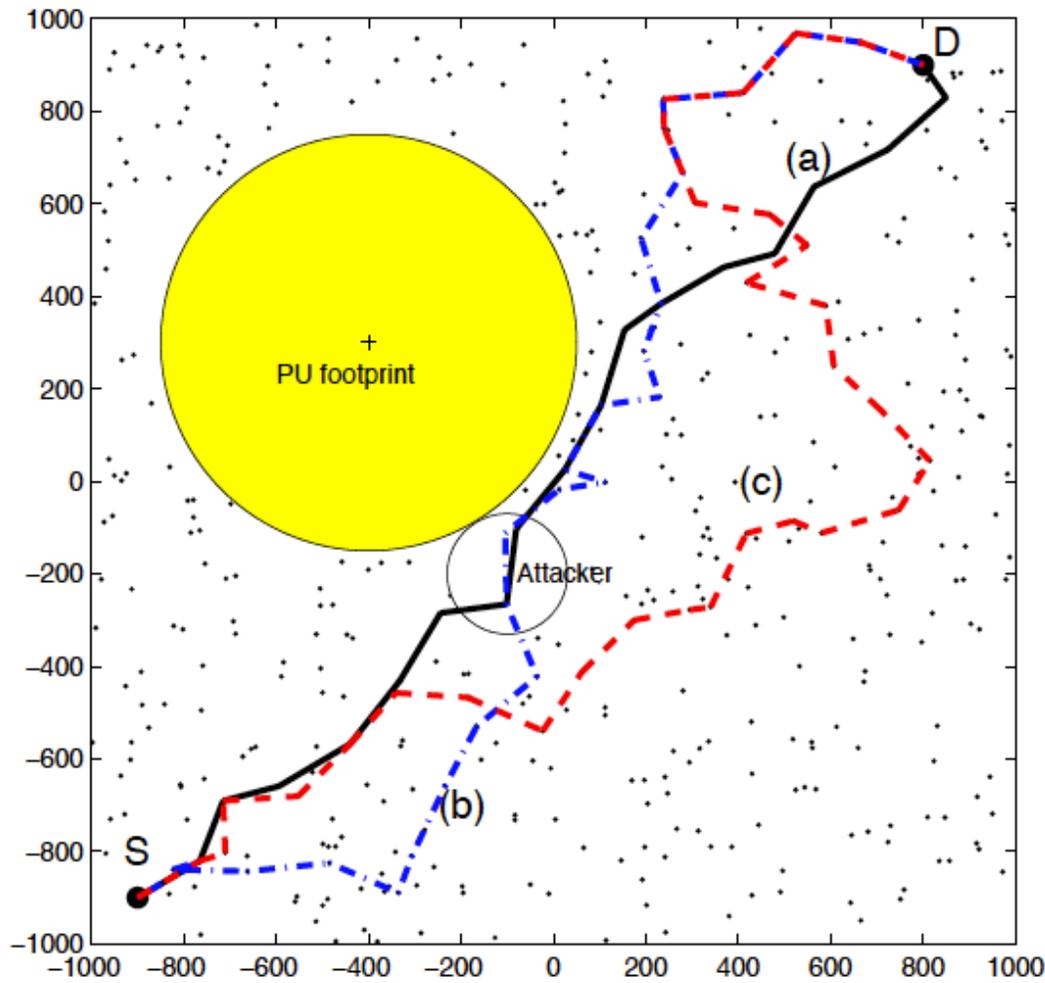


# Games-in-Games



[Zhu and Başar, 2011]

# Application of Distributed Learning to Games-in-Games Framework in Cognitive Radio Systems



- A secondary user changes its route from the blue line (b) to red line (c) between S and D by learning the presence of a jamming attacker.
- The communication environment changes as the footprint of the primary users



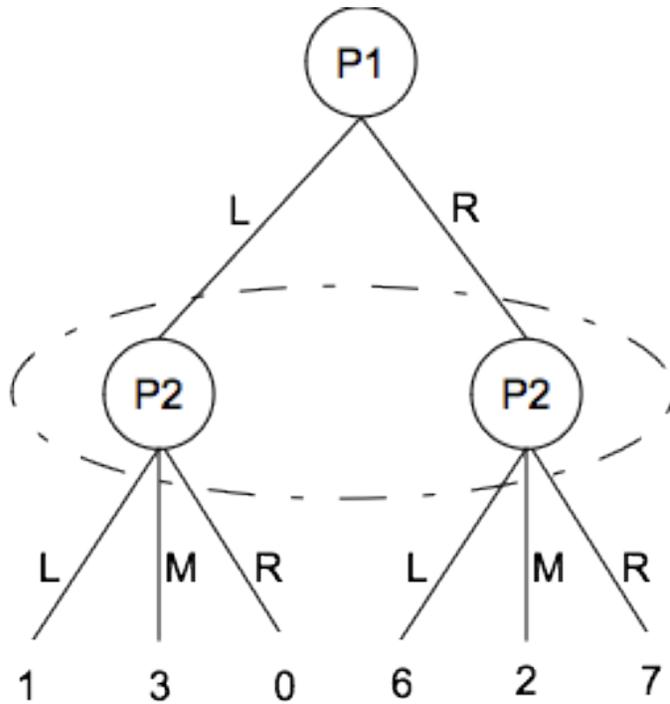
# Dynamic Games

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# Dynamic Games

- Repeated games: bargaining, trust games, cooperation, etc.
- Extensive games: chess, poker, etc.
- Differential/Difference games: pursuit-and-evasion games, robust control, etc.
- Evolutionary games: mutations, learning theory, etc.
- Stochastic games
  - Competitive MDPs
  - Stochastic differential/difference games
  - Mean-field games
  - Hybrid games

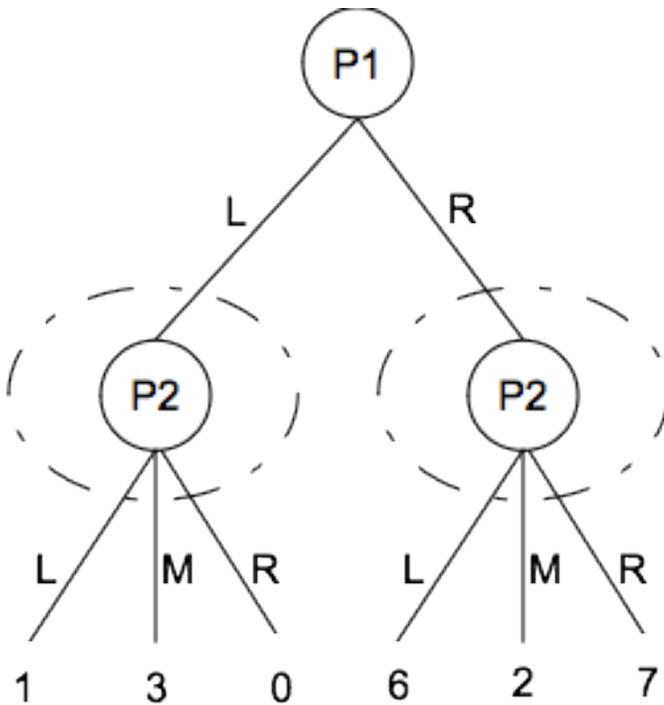
# Extensive Games



	L	M	R
L	1	2	0
R	6	2	7

- P1 minimizes and P2 maximizes.
- Mixed strategy solution is  $\{(2/3, 1/3), (1/3, 2/3, 0)\}$ .

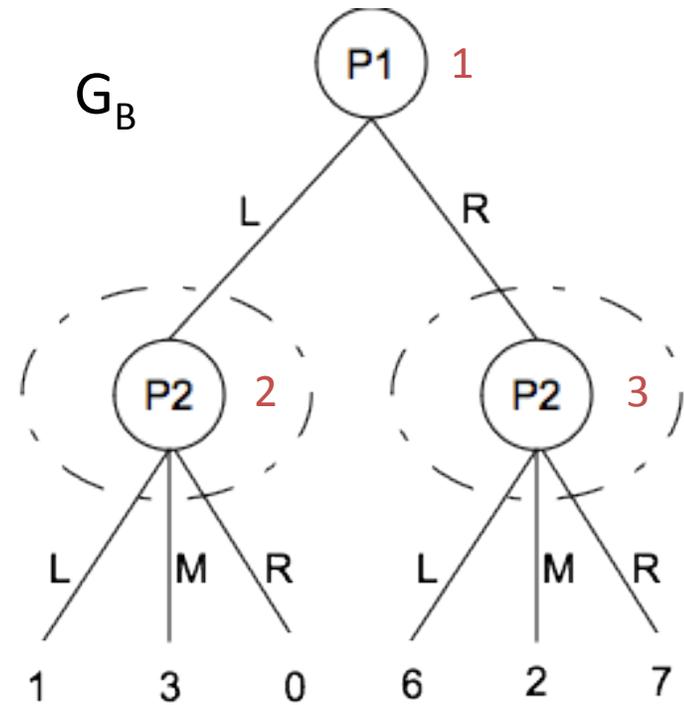
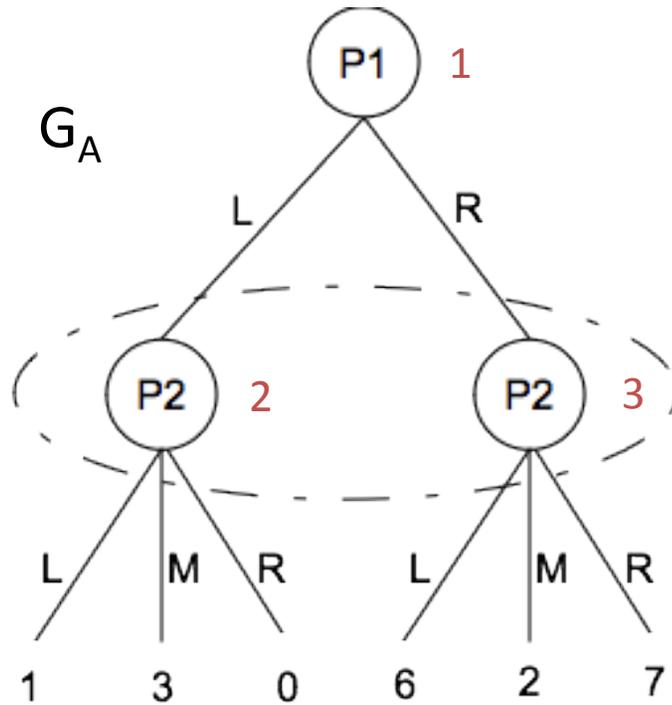
# Extensive Games



- P2 has information at the time of his play about what move P1 has made.
- We obtain two pure Nash equilibria (L, MR), (L, ML).
- (L, MR) can be obtained by backward induction.

	$u_1$	<i>LL</i>	<i>RR</i>	<i>MM</i>	<i>LM</i>	<i>RL</i>	<i>MR</i>	<i>ML</i>	<i>RM</i>
<i>L</i>	1	1	0	3	1	0	3	3	0
<i>R</i>	7	6	7	2	2	6	7	6	2

# Information Matters



- $G_A: \eta_1 := \{1\}, \eta_2 := \{2, 3\}$  (~Open-loop)
- $G_B: \eta_1 := \{1\}, \eta_2 := \{\{2\}, \{3\}\}$  (~Feedback)

# Differential Game

- Players:  $\mathcal{N} = \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ 
  - Decision/action for Player  $i$ :  $u_i \in U_i$ .
  - Possible coupled constraints:

System state  $x$  evolves according to the differential equation

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), u_1(t), \dots, u_N(t), t), \quad x(0) = x_0$$

- Each Player  $i$  seeks to minimize

$$J_i(u) = \int_0^T \underbrace{F_i(x(t), u_1(t), \dots, u_N(t), t)}_{\text{Instantaneous Cost}} dt + \underbrace{S_i(x(T))}_{\text{Terminal Value}}$$

Instantaneous Cost

Terminal Value

# Information Structures

- Let  $\gamma_i \in \Gamma_i^\eta$  be the strategies/policies for the players under information structure  $\eta$ .
- Information structure  $\eta$  can be
  - Open-loop (OL):  $u_i(t) = \gamma_i(t; x_0)$
  - Feed-back (FB):  $u_i(t) = \gamma_i(t; x(t))$
  - Closed-loop (CL):  $u_i(t) = \gamma_i(t; x_{[0,t]})$
  - $\varepsilon$ -delayed closed-loop ( $\varepsilon$ DCL):  
$$u_i(t) = \gamma_i(t; x_{[0,t-\varepsilon]}), \text{ for } t > \varepsilon; \quad u_i(t) = \gamma_i(t; x_0), \text{ for } 0 \leq t \leq \varepsilon.$$
- Assumptions:
  - $\gamma_i$  is Lipschitz in  $x$ .
  - $f$  is Lipschitz in  $x$  and  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_N\}$  are jointly piecewise continuous.

Differential game: Player  $i$  solves optimal control problem:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\text{OC}(i)) \quad & \min_{\gamma_i \in \Gamma_i^{\eta^*}} J_i(\gamma_i, \gamma_{-i}^{\eta^*}) := \int_0^T F_i(x, \gamma_i(\eta), \gamma_{-i}^{\eta^*}(\eta), t) dt + S_i(x(T)) \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \dot{x}(t) = f(x, \gamma_i(\eta), \gamma_{-i}^{\eta^*}(\eta), t), \quad x(0) = x_0.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$J_{\mu}^{\eta^*} = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}} \mu_i J_i^{\eta^*}$$

$$J_{\mu}^{\eta^0} = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{N}} \mu_i J_i^{\eta^0}$$

$$\rho_{N, \mu, T}^{\eta} := \max_{\gamma^{\eta^*} \in \Gamma^{\eta^*}} \frac{J_{\mu}^{\eta^*}}{J_{\mu}^{\eta^0}}$$

$$(\text{COC}) \quad \min_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_i \left\{ \int_0^T F_i(x(t), \gamma(\eta), t) dt + S_i(x(T)) \right\}.$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \dot{x}(t) = f(x, \gamma(\eta), t), \quad x(0) = x_0,$$

Team problem under centralized control

# Example: Scalar LQ Differential Games

- Each player  $i$  minimizes the cost functional:

$$J_i = \int_0^{\infty} (q_i x^2(t) + r_i u_i^2(t)) dt, \quad i \in \mathcal{N}.$$

- State dynamics:

$$\dot{x}(t) = ax(t) + \sum_{i=1}^N b_i u_i(t), \quad x(0) = x_0$$

- $b_i \neq 0, r_i \geq 0, q_i \geq 0$ .
- The feedback Nash equilibrium strategies are linear in state and involve solving a coupled set of algebraic Riccati equations

$$2 \left( a - \sum_{i=1}^N s_i k_i \right) k_i + q_i + s_i k_i^2 = 0, \quad \gamma_i^*(x) = -\frac{b_i}{r_i} k_i x, \quad i \in \mathcal{N}.$$

# Comments

- Each player  $i$  minimizes the cost functional:

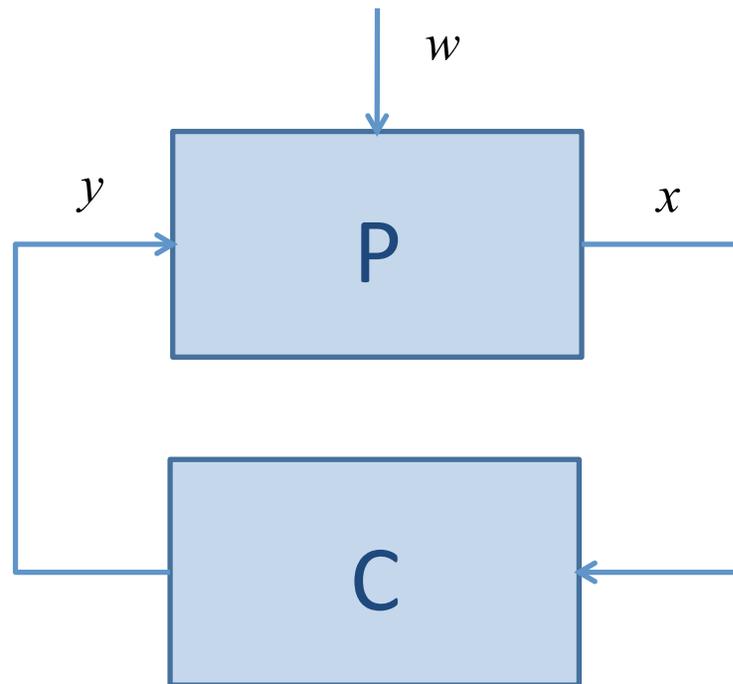
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- Non-uniqueness
  - **Informational** non-uniqueness
  - **Structural** non-uniqueness
  - Equilibrium selection (e.g. strong/weak time consistency, robustness to vanishing perturbations)
- Computational complexity
- Large population approximation

## Example: $H^\infty$ - Optimal Control (Perfect State)



- Plant dynamics:  $dx/dt = Ax + Bu + Dw$ ,  $x(0) = 0$ ,  $u = \mu(\eta, t)$
- Zero-sum differential game between  $u$  and  $w$ .

$$J(\mu, w) = |x(t_f)|^2_{Q_f} + \|C x\|^2 + \|u\|^2_R - \gamma^2 \|w\|^2$$

# Price of Information (PoI)



- Does it hold for games?
- PoI between two information structures  $\eta_1$  and  $\eta_2$ :

$$\chi_{\eta_1}^{\eta_2}(\mu) = \frac{\max_{\gamma^{\eta_2^*} \in \Gamma^{\eta_2^*}} J_{\mu}^{\eta_2^*}}{\max_{\gamma^{\eta_1^*} \in \Gamma^{\eta_1^*}} J_{\mu}^{\eta_1^*}}$$

# Less is More: Case Study

- Let  $a = 0$ . Then, PoI for the scalar LQ DG is bounded as below independent of system parameters  $b_i, r_i, q_i$ .

$$\sqrt{2}/2 \leq \chi_{FB}^{OL} \leq \sqrt{2}$$

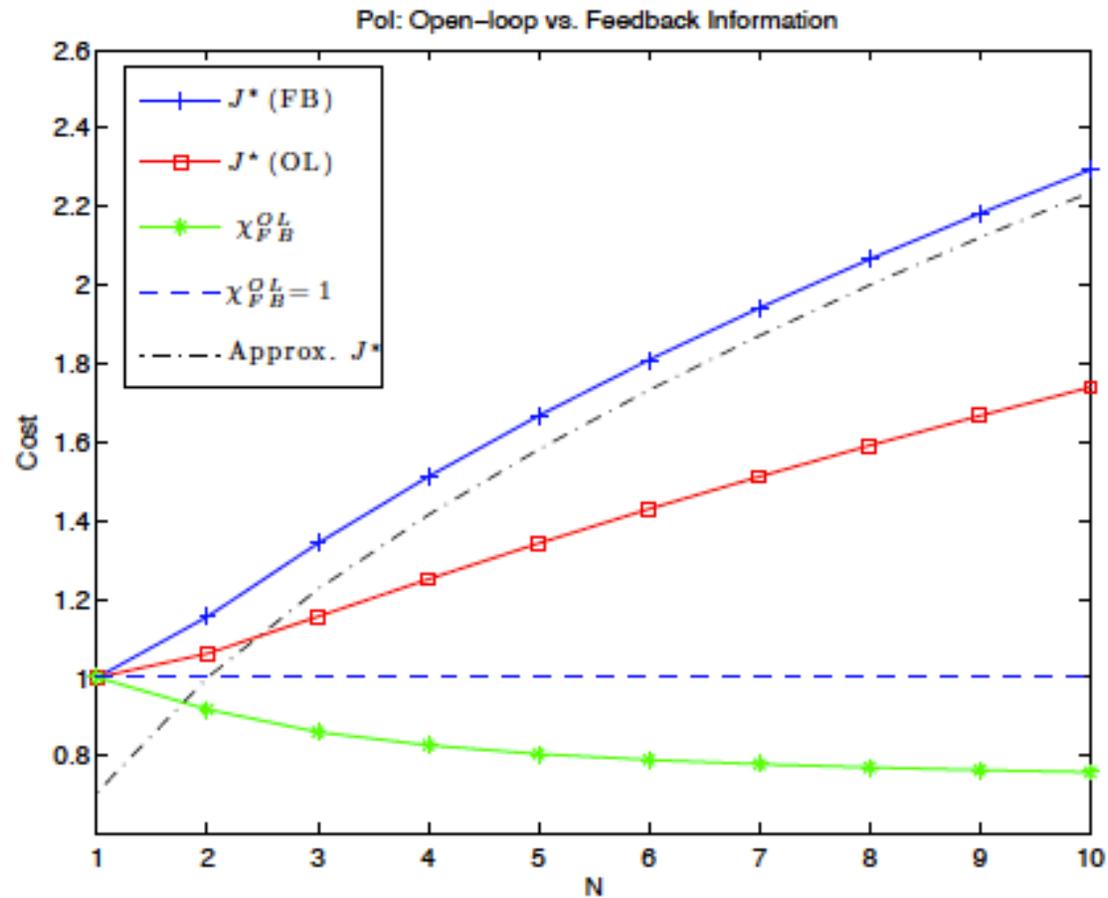
- Example: multi-user flow control
  - Each user chooses a data rate  $d_i$ , equivalently  $u_i$ , given service rate.
  - Users need to circumvent overflow of the queue and minimize their costs

$$J_i(u) = \int_0^\infty \left( |x(t)|^2 + \frac{1}{c_i} |u_i(t)|^2 \right)$$



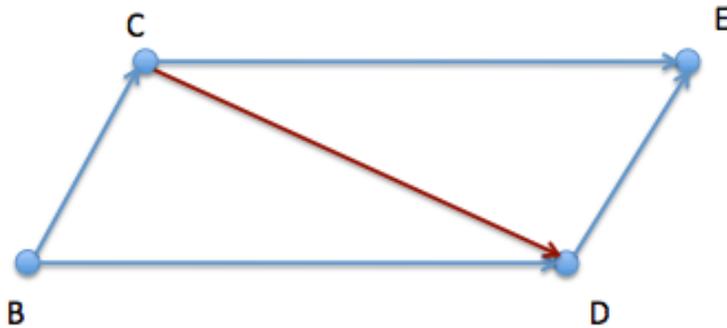
$$\dot{q}_l(t) = \sum_{i=1}^N u_i(t)$$

$$u_i(t) := d_i(t) - w_i s_r(t).$$

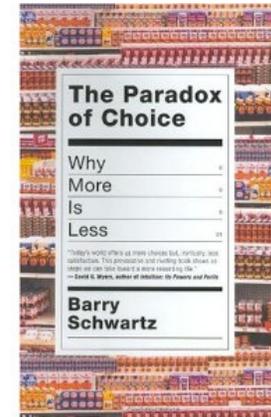


$J^* \text{ (FB)}$	$J^* \text{ (TP)}$	$J^* \text{ (OL)}$	$\rho_{\mu}^{FB}$	$\rho_{\mu}^{OL}$	$\chi_{FB}^{OL}$
$\frac{f(N)}{\sqrt{2N-1}}$	$\frac{f(N)}{N}$	$\frac{f(N)}{\sqrt{N}} \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2N} \right)$	$\frac{N}{\sqrt{2N-1}}$	$\sqrt{N} \left( \frac{N+1}{2N} \right)$	$\sqrt{2 - \frac{1}{N}} \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{N} \right)$

# Less is More: A New Paradox?



Braess Paradox



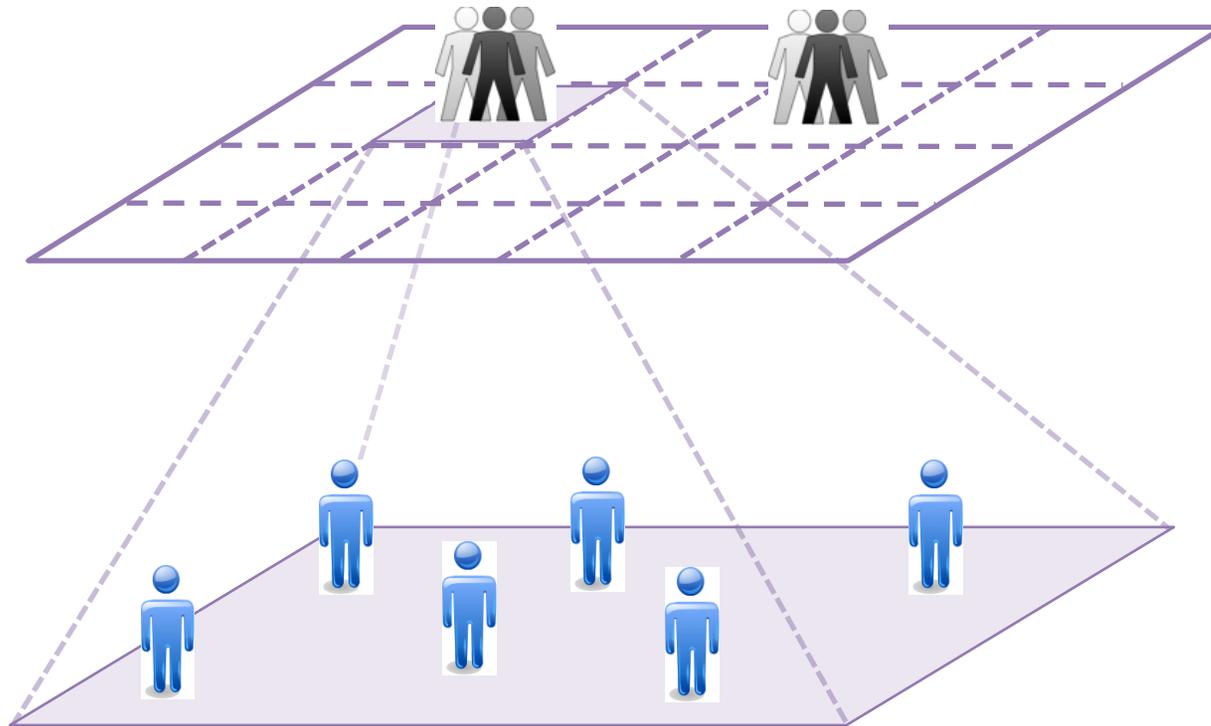
Paradox of Choice

- A paradox of information
  - Players tend to act more conservatively in face of more information.
  - Information is symmetric among players.

# Implications

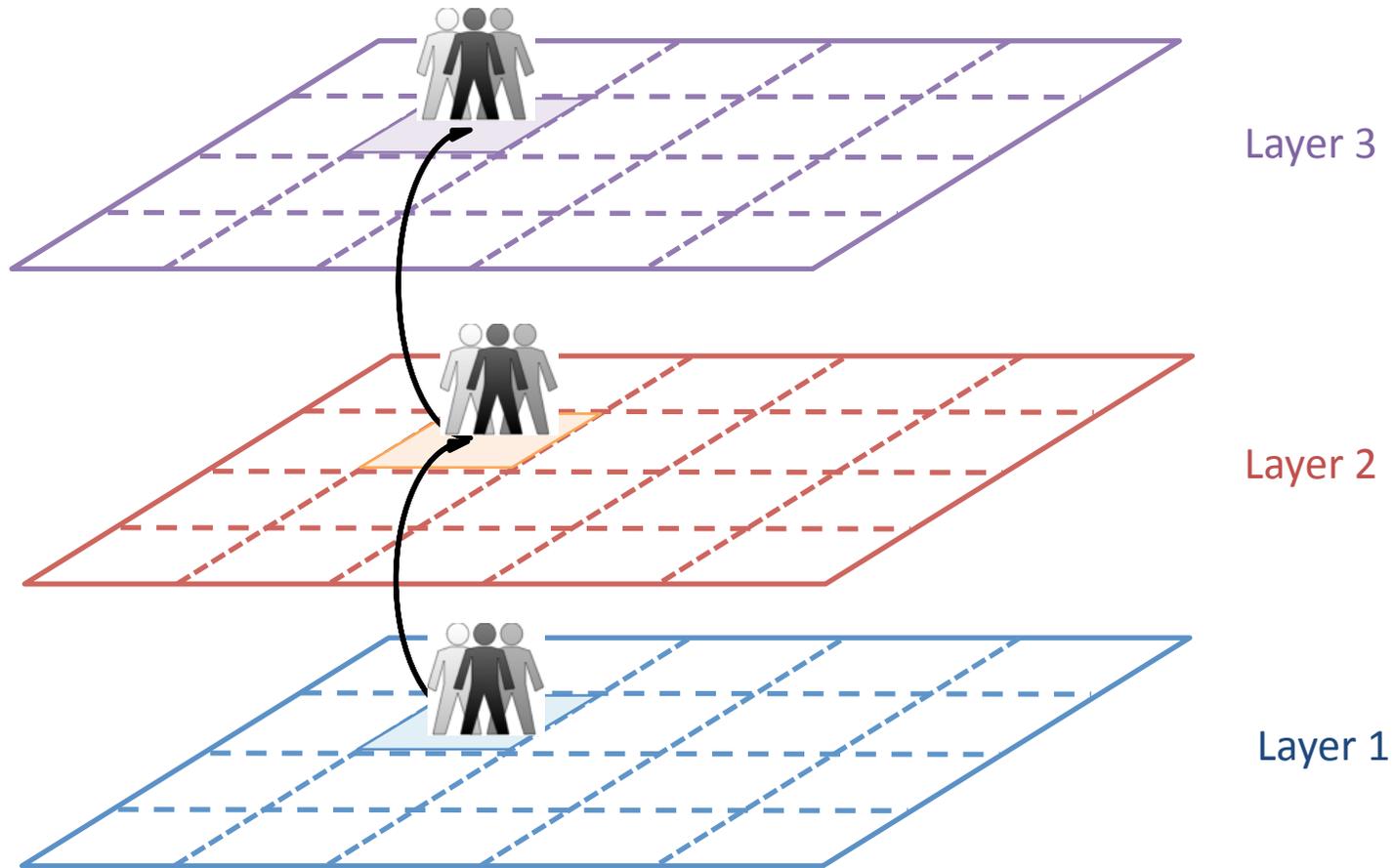
- PoA: **Efficiency** loss in decentralized architecture in comparison to its centralized counterpart.
- Pol: Information structure implies communication protocol and sensing and monitoring **architectures**.
- Understanding the **tradeoffs** between efficiency, robustness, information and resilience.
- Value of Information (Vol):
  - Structural Vol (e.g. Pol, Shapley Value, Indices of Power) × Nonstructural Vol (e.g. Quality, Trustworthiness)

# Large Scale Complex Systems



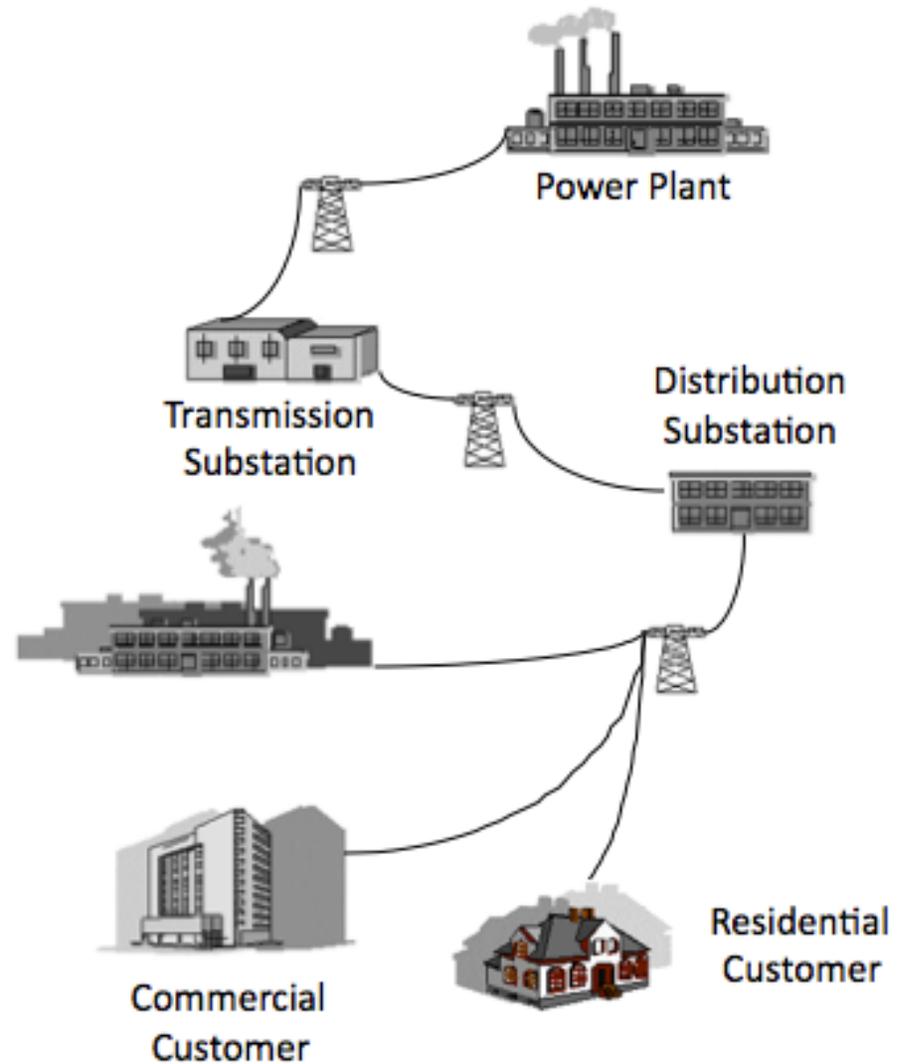
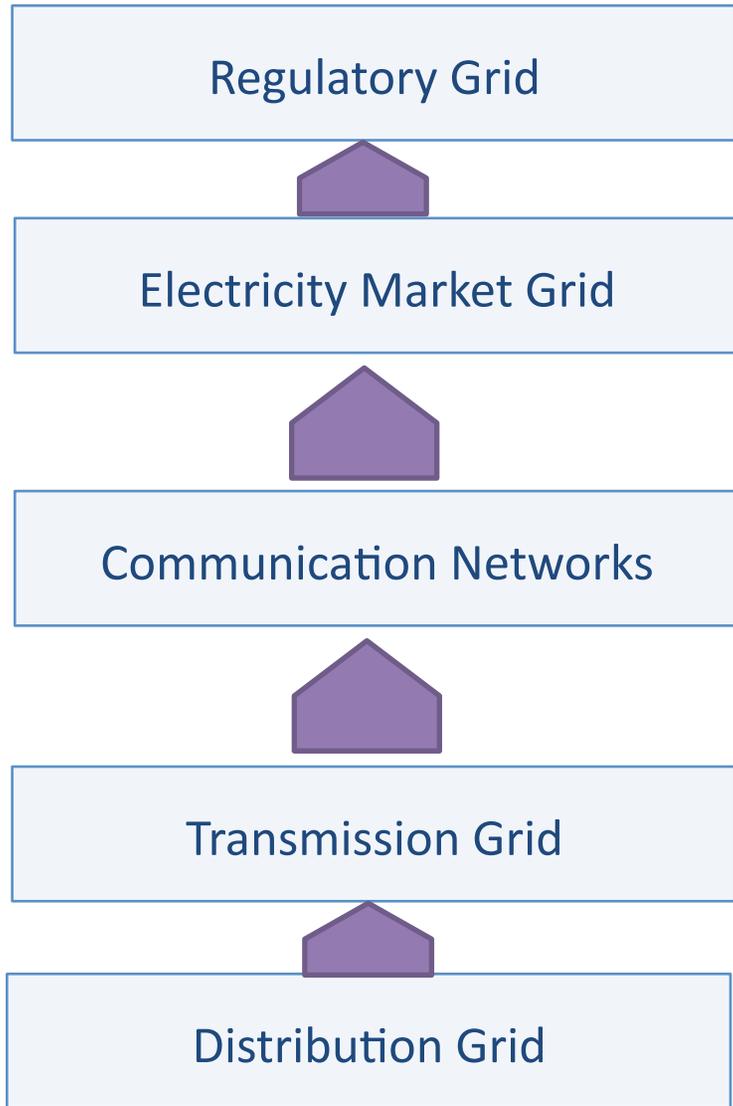
- Interactions happen at **different resolutions** of the system.
- The number of players is large. The number of groups is large.

# Hierarchical Complex Systems



- Interactions happen at **different layers** of the complex system.

# Power System as a Hierarchical Complex System

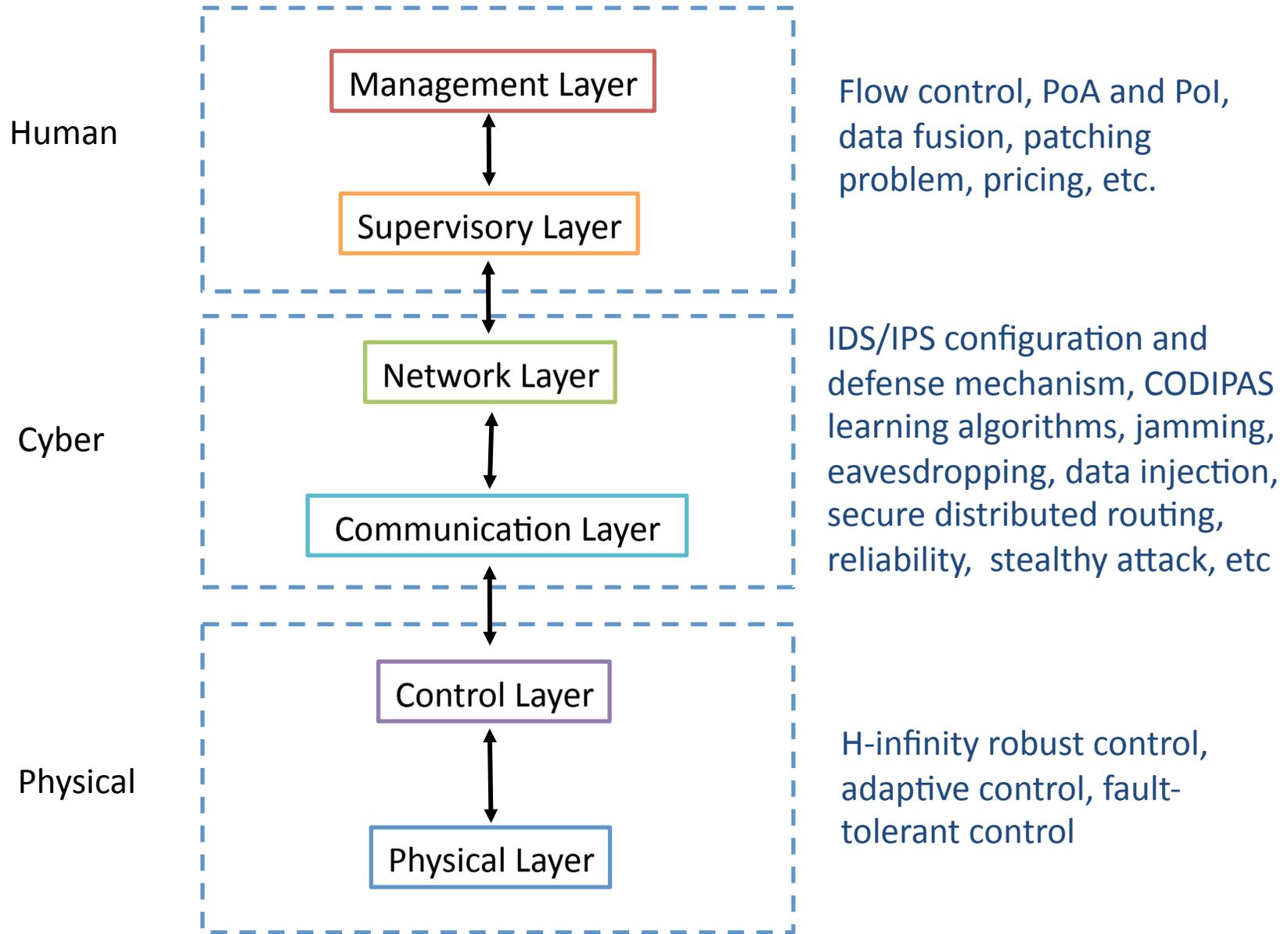


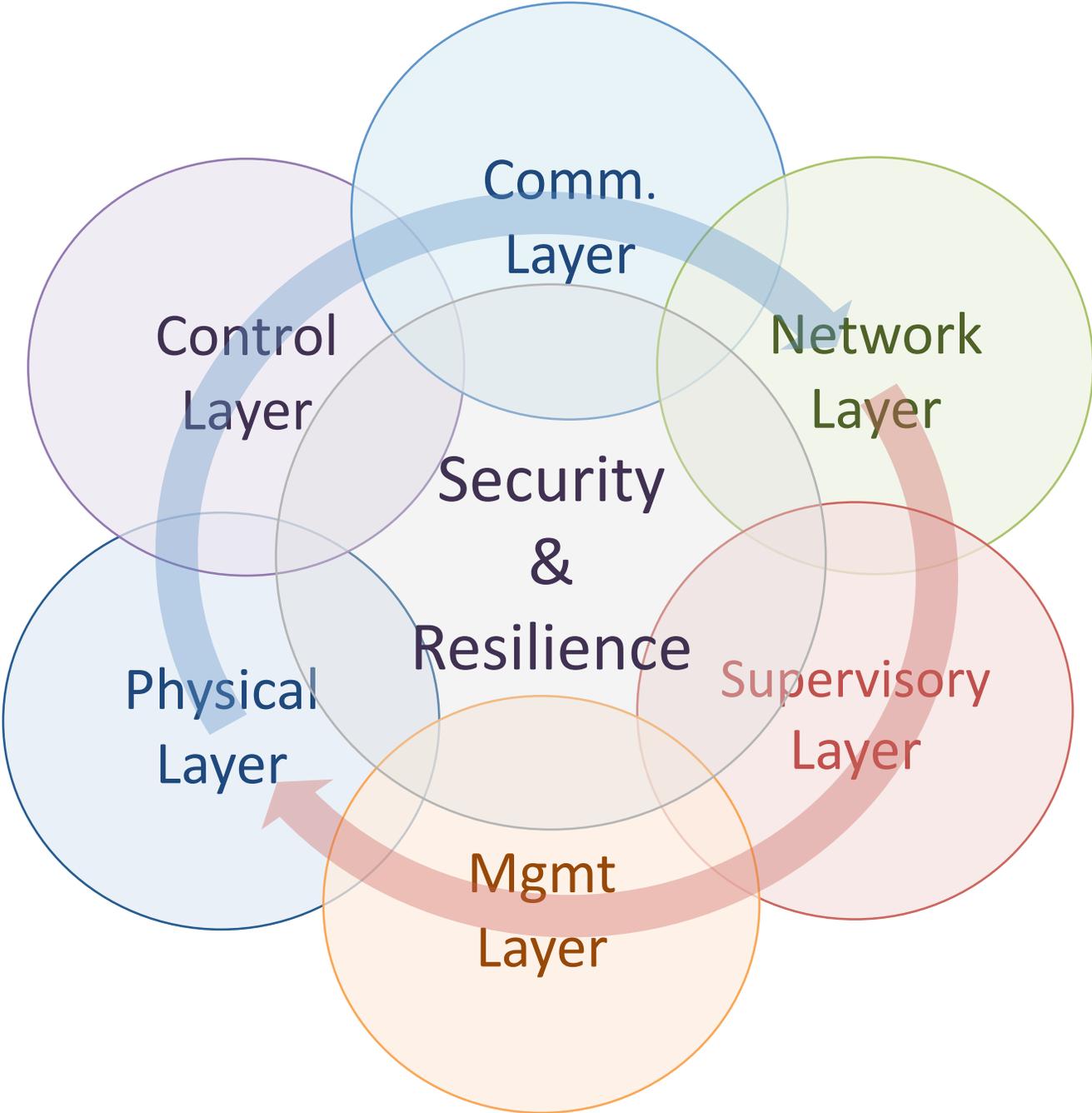
## Multi-Resolution (MR) Large Population Games

- MR Stochastic Differential Game Model
- Mean-Field Nash Equilibrium Solution
- Application and Numerical Examples

# Summary

- Game theory is a **versatile** tool for analyzing and designing decentralized large-scale systems.
  - **Rich literature** in economics, mathematics, operations research, computer science, and systems and control.
  - **Plenty of room for research** on applied side of game theory: mechanism design, learning theory, system theory, decentralized control, etc.
  - **Fundamental concepts** that enable cross-disciplinary, interdisciplinary and trans-disciplinary researches.





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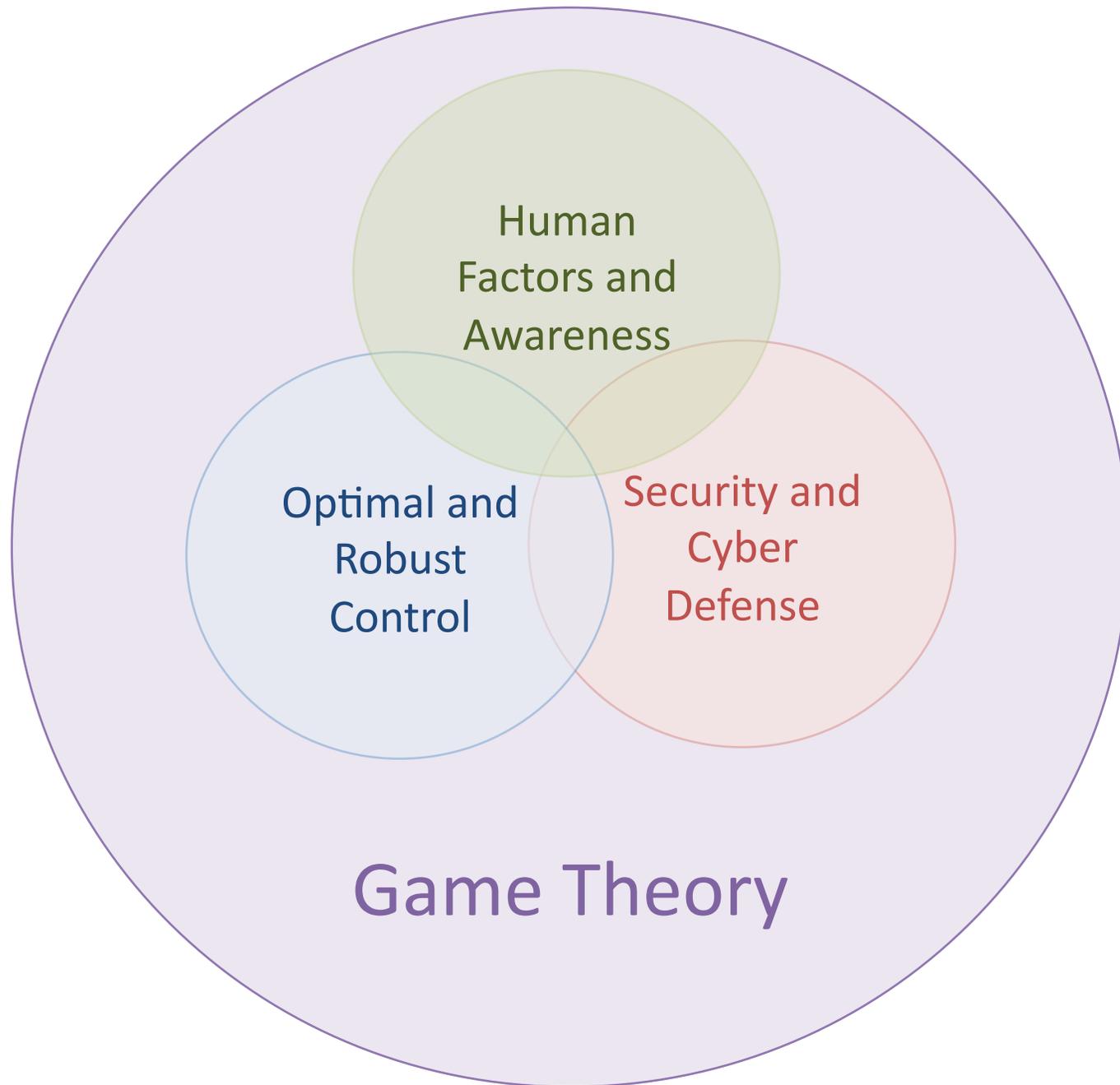
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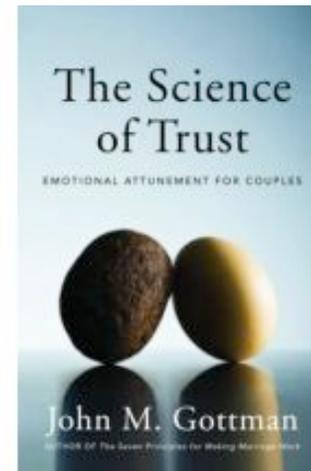
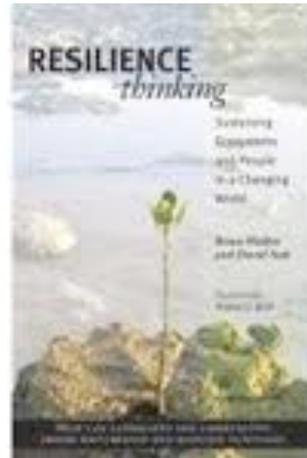
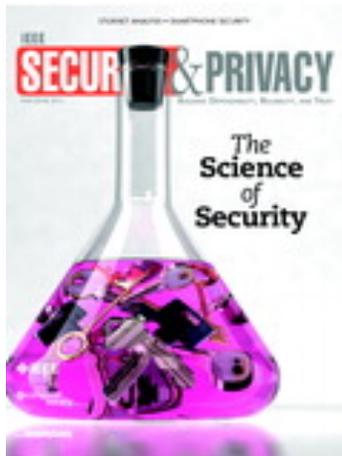
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