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## Mid-Term 2

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Problem	Points	Score
<b>1</b>	15	
<b>2</b>	15	
<b>3</b>	10	
<b>4</b>	15	
<b>5</b>	15	
Total:	70	

Do not write in the table to the right. Good luck!<sup>a</sup>

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## Reference sheet

Below are some definitions that may be relevant.

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$$\Delta_m := \{x = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \mathbf{R}^m : \sum_{i=1}^m x_i = 1, x_i \geq 0, \forall 1 \leq i \leq m\}.$$

Let  $m, n$  be positive integers. Suppose we have a two-player general sum game with  $m \times n$  payoff matrices. Let  $A$  be the payoff matrix for player  $I$  and let  $B$  be the payoff matrix for player  $II$ . A pair of vectors  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y})$  with  $\tilde{x} \in \Delta_m$  and  $\tilde{y} \in \Delta_n$  is a **Nash equilibrium** if

$$\tilde{x}^T A \tilde{y} \geq x A \tilde{y}, \quad \forall x \in \Delta_m,$$

$$\tilde{x}^T B \tilde{y} \geq \tilde{x} B y, \quad \forall y \in \Delta_n.$$

A joint distribution of strategies is an  $m \times n$  matrix  $z = (z_{ij})_{1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n}$  such that  $z_{ij} \geq 0$  for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ ,  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ , and such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n z_{ij} = 1.$$

We say  $z$  is a **correlated equilibrium** if

$$\sum_{j=1}^n z_{ij} a_{ij} \geq \sum_{j=1}^n z_{ij} a_{kj}, \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\}, \forall k \in \{1, \dots, m\}.$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m z_{ij} b_{ij} \geq \sum_{i=1}^m z_{ik} b_{ik}, \quad \forall j \in \{1, \dots, n\}, \forall k \in \{1, \dots, n\}.$$

- (15 points) Recall the prisoner's dilemma, which has the following payoffs.

		Prisoner <i>II</i>	
		silent	confess
Prisoner <i>I</i>	silent	$(-1, -1)$	$(-10, 0)$
	confess	$(0, -10)$	$(-8, -8)$

Find all Correlated equilibria for this game.

2. (15 points) Find the value of the two-person zero-sum game described by the payoff matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 3 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. (10 points) Prove the case  $d = 1$  of Sperner's Lemma: Suppose the unit interval  $[0, 1]$  is partitioned such that  $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_n = 1$ , where each  $t_i$  is marked with a 1 or 2 whenever  $0 < i < n$ ,  $t_0$  is marked 1 and  $t_n$  is marked 2. Then the number of ordered pairs  $(t_i, t_{i+1})$ ,  $0 \leq i < n$  with different markings is odd.

4. For all questions below, **justify your answer**.

(a) (5 points) Give an example of a closed and convex subset  $K$  of Euclidean space, and give an example of a continuous function  $f: K \rightarrow K$  such that  $f$  has no fixed point.

(b) (5 points) Give an example of a bounded and closed subset  $K$  of Euclidean space, and give an example of a continuous function  $f: K \rightarrow K$  such that  $f$  has no fixed point.

(c) (5 points) Give an example of a function  $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  such that the only fixed point of  $f$  is the point  $x = 1$ .

5. (15 points) Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  real matrix. Prove:

$$\min_{y \in \Delta_n} \max_{x \in \Delta_m} x^T A y = \min_{y \in \Delta_n} \max_{i=1, \dots, m} (A y)_i.$$

(Scratch paper)