

*A UNIFIED APPROACH  
OF VALUES FOR GAMES ON UNION  
STABLE SYSTEMS*

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- ✓ *Union stable systems*
- ✓ *Restricted and conference games*
- ✓ *Myerson and position values*
- ✓ *Characterizations*
- ✓ *Harsanyi power solutions*
- ✓ *Characterizations*

Myerson (1977)

*Graphs and Cooperation in Games*

$(N, v), G = (N, E)$

- Restricted game by a communication graph

$$(N, v^G), \quad v^G : 2^N \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$v^G(S) = \sum_{S_i \in S/G} v(S_i)$$

- Myerson value

$$\mu(N, v, E) = \Phi(N, v^G)$$

COMMUNICATION SITUATION

$(N, v, E)$

A set system  $(N, \mathcal{F})$  is  $\cup$ -stable if

A1.  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}$

A2. For  $S, T \in \mathcal{F}$  with  $S \cap T \neq \emptyset$ , we have  $S \cup T \in \mathcal{F}$

Union stable cooperation structures

$(N, v, \mathcal{F})$

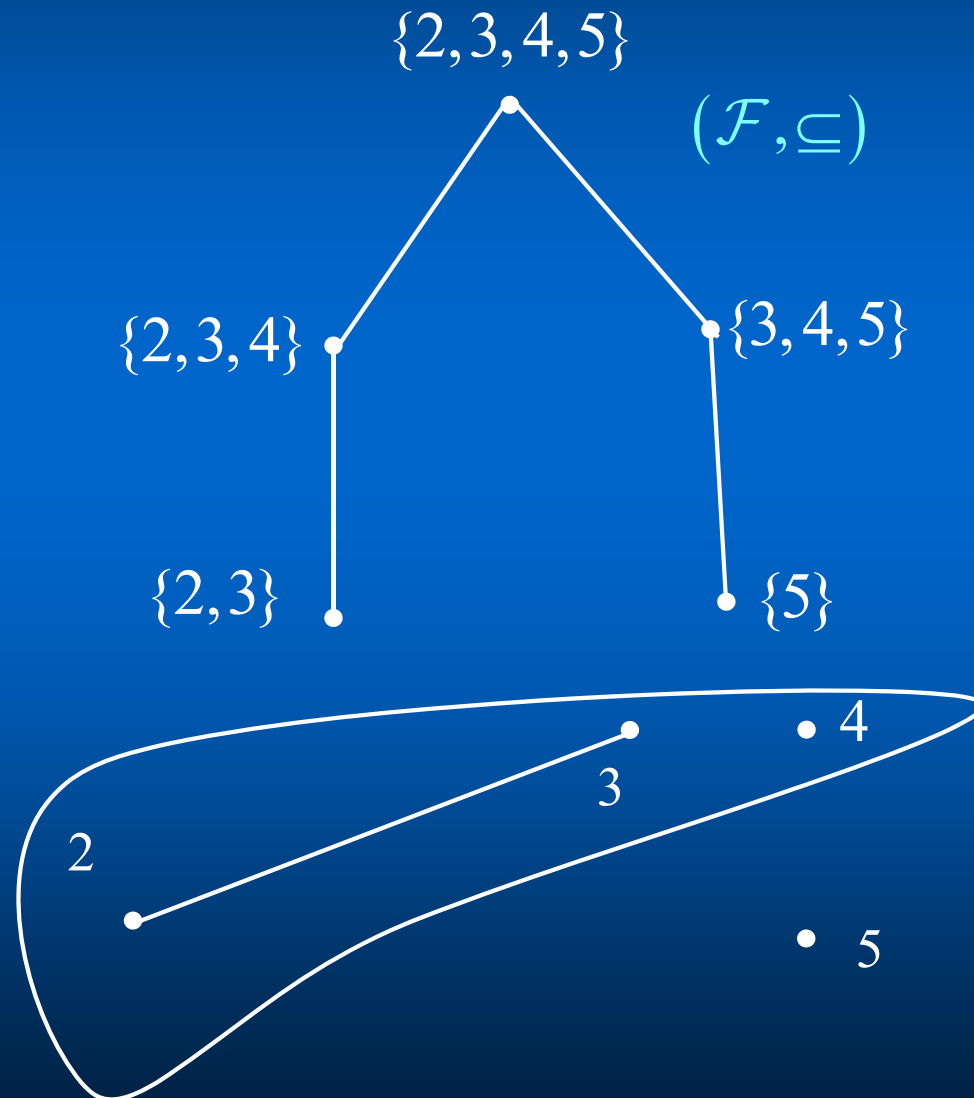
Communication situations

- Myerson (1977),  $(N, v, E)$
- Owen (1986)
- Borm, Owen and Tijs (1992)
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# Example

$$N = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \{ \{5\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, \{3, 4, 5\}, \{2, 3, 4, 5\} \}$$



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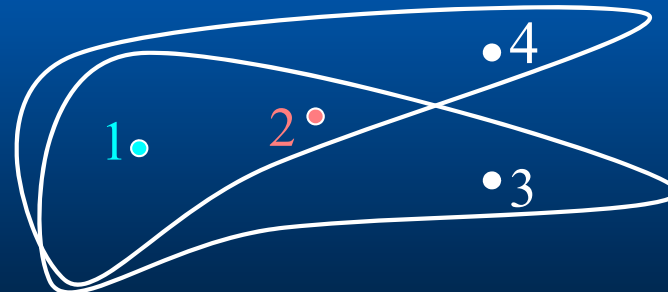
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1/ Seller

2/ Stage agent

3,4/ Buyers



$$\mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$$

$$\mathcal{G}^{(0)} = \mathcal{G}$$

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$$\mathcal{G}^{(n)} = \{S \cup T : S, T \in \mathcal{G}^{(n-1)}, S \cap T \neq \emptyset\}$$

$$\mathcal{G}^{(0)} \subseteq \dots \subseteq \mathcal{G}^{(n)} \subseteq \dots \subseteq \mathcal{F}$$

If  $k$  is the smallest integer such that  $\mathcal{G}^{(k+1)} = \mathcal{G}^{(k)}$

$$SG(\mathcal{G}) = \mathcal{G}^{(k)}$$

$SG(\mathcal{G})$  is a union stable system



## Example

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$$\mathcal{F} = \{\{1\}, \{3\}, \{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, N\}$$

$$\mathcal{G} = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 4\}\} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$$

$$\mathcal{G}^{(1)} = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{2, 3, 4\}\}$$

$$\mathcal{G}^{(2)} = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, N\}$$

$$\mathcal{G}^{(2)} = \mathcal{G}^{(3)}$$

$$SG(\mathcal{G}) = \mathcal{G}^{(2)} = \{\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{2, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 4\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, N\}$$

# $(N, \mathcal{F})$ union stable system

$$\varphi: 2^{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{F}}, \quad \varphi(\mathcal{G}) = \overline{\mathcal{G}} = SG(\mathcal{G})$$

$\varphi: 2^{\mathcal{F}} \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{F}}$  is a closure operator

$$(a) \quad \forall \mathcal{G} \in 2^{\mathcal{F}} \Rightarrow \mathcal{G} \subseteq \varphi(\mathcal{G})$$

$$(b) \quad \mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{R} \subseteq \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \varphi(\mathcal{G}) \subseteq \varphi(\mathcal{R})$$

$$(c) \quad \forall \mathcal{G} \in 2^{\mathcal{F}}, \varphi(\varphi(\mathcal{G})) = \varphi(\mathcal{G})$$

$(\mathcal{F}, -)$  is a closure space

$\mathcal{G} \in 2^{\mathcal{F}}$  is a closed set  $\Leftrightarrow (N, \mathcal{G},)$  is a union stable system

## Basis of $\mathcal{F}$

$$B(\mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{F} \setminus D(\mathcal{F})$$

$$D(\mathcal{F}) = \{F \in \mathcal{F} : F = A \cup B, A, B \neq F, A, B \in \mathcal{F}, A \cap B \neq \emptyset\}$$

$B \in B(\mathcal{F})$  support

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$(N, v, E)$   $\cup$ -stable cooperation structure

$$\mathcal{F} = \{S \subseteq N : (S, E(S)) \text{ connected subgraph of } (N, E)\}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{F}) = \{\{i, j\} : \{i, j\} \in E\} \cup \{\{i\} : i \in N\}$$

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$$\{3, 4\} \subseteq \{2, 3, 4\}$$

## $B(\mathcal{F})$ basis of $\mathcal{F}$

### Proposition

$B(\mathcal{F})$  is the minimal subset of  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $SG(B(\mathcal{F})) = \mathcal{F}$

### Proposition

$$B(\mathcal{F}) = ex(\mathcal{F})$$

$$ex(\mathcal{F}) = \{F \in \mathcal{F} : \mathcal{F} \setminus F \text{ is union stable}\}$$

$(N, \mathcal{F}), S \subseteq N$

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$T \subseteq S$   $\mathcal{F}$ -component of  $S$ :

$T \in \mathcal{F}$  and there exists no  $T' \in \mathcal{F}, T \subset T' \subseteq S$

### Proposition

$(N, \mathcal{F})$  U-stable  $\Leftrightarrow S \subseteq N, C_{\mathcal{F}}(S)$  partition of  $S' \subseteq S$

$(N, \mathcal{F})$  union stable system,  $S \subseteq N$

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### Proposition

$$\mathcal{F}_S = \{F \in \mathcal{F} : F \subseteq S\} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$$

(a)  $(N, \mathcal{F}_S)$  is a union stable system

(b)  $C_{\mathcal{F}}(S) = C_{\mathcal{F}_S}(N)$

(c)  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{F}_S) = \{B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{F}) : B \subseteq S\} \subseteq \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{F})$



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$$(N, v, \mathcal{F}) \notin USI^N$$

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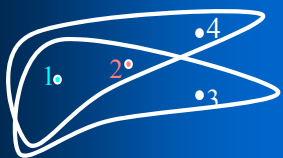
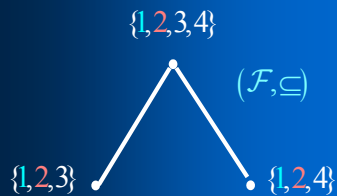
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## RESTRICTED GAME

$$v^{\mathcal{F}} : 2^N \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

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## CONFERENCE GAME

$(N, v, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathcal{C}, v^{\mathcal{C}})$  conference game

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### POSITION VALUE

$$\pi_i(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \begin{cases} \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}_i} \frac{1}{|C|} \Phi_C(\mathcal{C}, v^{\mathcal{C}}), & \text{if } \mathcal{C}_i \neq \emptyset \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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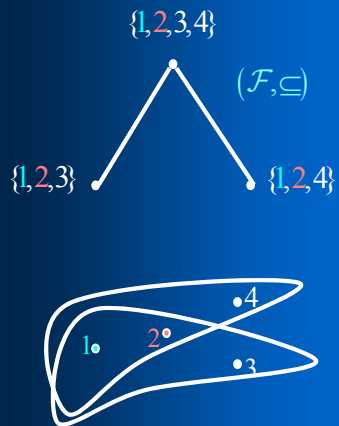
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$$\mu(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \left( \frac{13}{12}, \frac{13}{12}, \frac{5}{12}, \frac{5}{12} \right)$$



$\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$	$\overline{\mathcal{A}}$	$C_{\overline{\mathcal{A}}}(N)$	$v^c(\mathcal{A})$
$\{ \{1, 2, 3\} \}$	$\{ \{1, 2, 3\} \}$	$\{ \{1, 2, 3\} \}$	2
$\{ \{1, 2, 4\} \}$	$\{ \{1, 2, 4\} \}$	$\{ \{1, 2, 4\} \}$	2
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$$\pi(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \left( 1, 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

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### Theorem

Let  $(N, v, \mathcal{F})$  be a union stable cooperation structure and  $(\mathcal{C}, v^{\mathcal{C}})$  the associated conference game. Then

$$v^{\mathcal{F}}(S) = v^{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{C}_S)$$

where  $\mathcal{C}_S = \{C \in \mathcal{C} : C \subseteq S\}$

- $C(v) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x(N) = v(N), x(S) \geq v(S), \forall S \subset N\}$
- Bondareva (1963), Shapley (1967):

A game  $(N, v)$  is balanced if and only if  $C(v) \neq \emptyset$

- A game  $(N, v)$  is superadditive if

$$v(S \cup T) \geq v(S) + v(T), \quad \forall S, T \in 2^N, S \cap T = \emptyset$$

- A game  $(N, v)$  is convex if

$$v(S \cup T) + v(S \cap T) \geq v(S) + v(T), \quad \forall S, T \in 2^N$$

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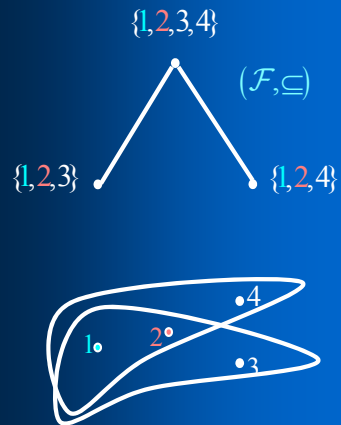


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$$v(S) = \begin{cases} |S| & \text{if } |S| \geq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$(N, v)$  is superadditive, so is  $(N, v^{\mathcal{F}})$

The conference game  $(\mathcal{C}, v^{\mathcal{C}})$  is not superadditive:

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{C} = \{ \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 4\} \}$$

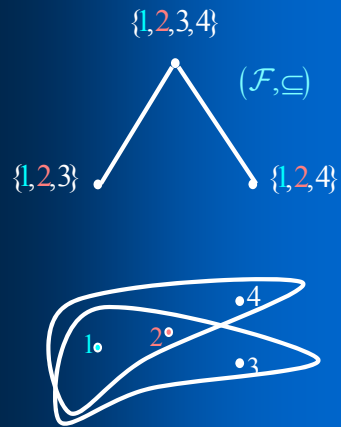
$$v^{\mathcal{C}} \left( \{ \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 4\} \} \right) \leq v^{\mathcal{C}} \left( \{ \{1, 2, 3\} \} \right) + v^{\mathcal{C}} \left( \{ \{1, 2, 4\} \} \right)$$

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$$v(S) = \begin{cases} |S| & \text{if } |S| \geq 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$(N, v)$  is totally balanced, so is  $(N, v^{\mathcal{F}})$

The conference game  $(\mathcal{C}, v^{\mathcal{C}})$  is not balanced:

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{C} = \{ \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 2, 4\} \}$$

$$C(v^{\mathcal{C}}) = \left\{ y \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{C}|} : y_{\{1,2,3\}} + y_{\{1,2,4\}} = 4, y_{\{1,2,3\}} \geq 3, y_{\{1,2,4\}} \geq 3 \right\} = \emptyset$$

## Corollary

Let  $(N, v, \mathcal{F})$  be a union stable cooperation structure. If  $(c, v^c)$  is non-negative and convex, then

$$\mu(N, v, \mathcal{F}) \in C(v^{\mathcal{F}})$$

$$C(v^{\mathcal{F}}) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x(N) = v^{\mathcal{F}}(N), x(S) \geq v(S), \forall S \in \mathcal{F}\}$$

Shapley (1971)

### Lemma

$(N, v)$  convex if and only if,

$$v(\bigcup_{i=1}^k T_i) - \sum_{i=1}^k v(T_i) \geq v(\bigcup_{i=1}^k S_i) - \sum_{i=1}^k v(T_i),$$

$$T_i \cap T_j = \emptyset, \quad i \neq j, \quad S_i \subseteq T_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, k$$

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Let  $(N, v, \mathcal{F}) \in USI^N$ . If  $(N, v)$  is convex, then  $(C, v^C)$  is (non-negative) convex

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$US^N = \{(N, v, \mathcal{F}) \text{ union stable cooperation structures}\}$

Allocation rule:  $\gamma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

*Component - efficiency*

$\forall (N, v, \mathcal{F}) \in US^N, \forall M \in C_{\mathcal{F}}(N),$

$$\sum_{k \in M} \gamma_k(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = v(M)$$

*Component - dummy*

$$\forall i \notin \bigcup_{M \in C_{\mathcal{F}}(N)} M, \gamma_i(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = 0$$

$$\gamma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

### ADDITIVITY

$$\gamma(N, v + w, \mathcal{F}) = \gamma(N, v, \mathcal{F}) + \gamma(N, w, \mathcal{F})$$

### SUPERFLUOUS SUPPORT

$$\gamma(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \gamma(N, v, \overline{\mathcal{B} \setminus \{H\}})$$

$$v^{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{A}) = v^{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{A} \setminus \{H\}), \quad \forall \mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{C}, \quad \forall H \in \mathcal{C}$$

### INFLUENCE

$$\gamma(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \alpha I(N, \mathcal{F})$$

$$I_i(N, \mathcal{F}) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\mathcal{C} \in \mathcal{C}_i} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{C}|}, & \text{if } \mathcal{C}_i \neq \emptyset \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$v^{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{A}) = f(|\mathcal{A}|), \quad \forall \mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$$

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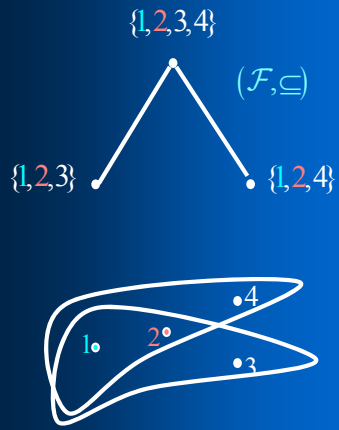
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$$I(N, \mathcal{F}) = \left( \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{13}{12}, \frac{13}{12}, \frac{5}{12}, \frac{5}{12} \right) \neq \alpha \left( \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right)$$



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### POINT ANONYMITY

$$\gamma_i(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \begin{cases} \alpha, & \text{if } i \in D \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$v^{\mathcal{F}}(S) = f(|S \cap D|), \quad D = \{i \in N : |\mathcal{C}_i| > 0\}$$

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$$v^{\mathcal{F}}(S) = v^{\mathcal{F}}(S \setminus \{i\}), \quad \forall S \subseteq N$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{N \setminus \{i\}} = \{F \in \mathcal{F} : F \subseteq N \setminus \{i\}\}$$

### POINT UNANIMITY

$$\gamma_i(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \begin{cases} \alpha, & \text{if } i \in D \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$v^{\mathcal{F}} = \beta u_D, \quad D = \{i \in N : |C_i| > 0\}$$

## Theorem

The Myerson value is the unique allocation rule on  $US^N$  satisfying

- additivity
- superfluous player
- point unanimity

## Lemma

$\gamma: US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $\gamma$  is an additive allocation rule satisfying superfluous player then

$$\gamma(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \gamma(N, v^{\mathcal{F}}, \mathcal{F}), \quad \forall (N, v, \mathcal{F}) \in US^N$$

$$\gamma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

### ADDITIVITY

$$\gamma(N, v + w, \mathcal{F}) = \gamma(N, v, \mathcal{F}) + \gamma(N, w, \mathcal{F})$$

### STRONG SUPERFLUOUS SUPPORT

$$\gamma(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \gamma(N, v, \overline{\mathcal{B} \setminus \{H\}})$$

$$v^{\mathcal{F}}(S) = v^{\overline{\mathcal{B} \setminus \{H\}}}(S), \quad \forall S \subseteq N, \quad \forall H \in \mathcal{C}$$

### POINT UNANIMITY

$$\gamma_i(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \begin{cases} \alpha, & \text{if } i \in D \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$v^{\mathcal{F}} = \beta u_D, \quad D = \{i \in N : |\mathcal{C}_i| > 0\}$$

## Theorem

The Myerson value is the unique allocation rule on  $US^N$  satisfying

- additivity
- strong superfluous support
- point unanimity

## Lemma

$\gamma: US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $\gamma$  is an additive allocation rule satisfying point unanimity then

$$\gamma(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \gamma(N, v^{\mathcal{F}}, \mathcal{F}), \quad \forall (N, v, \mathcal{F}) \in US^N$$



$(N, \mathcal{F}) \in US^N$ . A power measure is a function

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma : US^N &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R}_+^N \\ (N, \mathcal{F}) &\longrightarrow \sigma(N, \mathcal{F}) \in \mathbb{R}_+^N \end{aligned}$$

$\sigma_i(N, \mathcal{F})$  non-negative power to player  $i \in S$  in  $\mathcal{F}$

A power measure is positive if

$$\sigma_i(N, \mathcal{F}) > 0 \text{ if and only if } i \in C, C \in \mathcal{C}$$

# U-STABLE SYSTEM

$$\nu^{\mathcal{F}} : 2^N \longrightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$\sigma$  a positive power measure

## HARSANYI POWER SOLUTION

*Vasil'ev (1982)*

*Vasil'ev (2003)*

*Derks, Haller  
and Peters (2000)*

*van den Brink,  
van der Laan and  
Pruzhansky (2011)*

$$\varphi^\sigma : US^N \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$$

$$(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) \in US^N \longrightarrow \varphi_i^\sigma(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) \in \mathbb{R}^N$$

$$\varphi_i^\sigma(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \sum_{\substack{T \subseteq N, i \in T \\ \sum_{j \in T} \sigma_j(N, \mathcal{F}_T) > 0}} \frac{\sigma_i(N, \mathcal{F}_T)}{\sum_{j \in T} \sigma_j(N, \mathcal{F}_T)} \Delta_{\nu, \mathcal{F}}(T)$$

$US^N = \{(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) \text{ union stable cooperation structures}\}$

## Theorem

Let  $\sigma$  be a positive power measure. The Harsanyi power solution  $\varphi^\sigma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is an allocation rule satisfying additivity

$$\gamma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

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## SUPERFLUOUS SUPPORT

$$\gamma(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \gamma(N, \nu, \overline{\mathcal{B} \setminus \{H\}})$$

$$\nu^{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{A}) = \nu^{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{A} \setminus \{H\}), \quad \forall \mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{C}, \quad \forall H \in \mathcal{C}$$

$$US^N = \{(N, v, \mathcal{F}) \text{ union stable cooperation structures}\}$$

$$USI^N \subset US^N$$

1.  $\forall S, T \in \mathcal{F}$  with  $|S \cap T| \geq 2$  we have  $S \cap T \in \mathcal{F}$
2. All non-unitary feasible coalitions can be written in a unique way as a union of non-unitary supports

### Theorem

Let  $\sigma$  be a positive power measure. The Harsanyi power solution  $\varphi^\sigma : USI^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfies the superfluous support property on  $USI^N$

$$I_i(N, \mathcal{F}) = \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}_i} \frac{1}{|C|}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} E_i(N, \mathcal{F}) = 1 \text{ if } \mathcal{C}_i \neq \emptyset \\ E_i(N, \mathcal{F}) = 0 \text{ if } \mathcal{C}_i = \emptyset \end{array} \right|$$

$$\mathcal{C}_i = \{C \in \mathcal{C} : i \in C\}$$

$$\gamma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

### INFLUENCE

$$\gamma(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \alpha I(N, \mathcal{F})$$

$$I_i(N, \mathcal{F}) = \begin{cases} \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}_i} \frac{1}{|C|}, & \text{if } \mathcal{C}_i \neq \emptyset \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$v^{\mathcal{C}}(\mathcal{A}) = f(|\mathcal{A}|), \quad \forall \mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$$

$$\gamma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

### WEAK INFLUENCE

$$\gamma(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \alpha I(N, \mathcal{F})$$

$$I_i(N, \mathcal{F}) = \begin{cases} \sum_{C \in \mathcal{C}_i} \frac{1}{|C|}, & \text{if } \mathcal{C}_i \neq \emptyset \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$v^C = \beta u_C, \quad \forall A \subseteq C$$

### $\sigma$ -INFLUENCE PROPERTY

$$\gamma(N, v, \mathcal{F}) = \alpha \sigma(N, \mathcal{F})$$

$$v^C = \beta u_C, \quad \forall A \subseteq C$$

$\sigma$ -INFLUENCE PROPERTY YIELDS THE WEAK INFLUENCE

PROPERTY WHEN  $\sigma = I$

$$\gamma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

### POINT ANONIMITY

$$\gamma_i(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \begin{cases} \alpha, & \text{if } i \in D \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\nu^{\mathcal{F}}(S) = f(|S \cap D|), \quad D = \{i \in N : |C_i| > 0\}$$

### POINT UNANIMITY

$$\gamma_i(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \begin{cases} \alpha, & \text{if } i \in D \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\nu^{\mathcal{F}} = \beta u_D, \quad D = \{i \in N : |C_i| > 0\}$$

$$\gamma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

### $\sigma$ -POINT UNANIMITY

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(N, v, \mathcal{F}) &= \alpha \sigma(N, \mathcal{F}) \\ v^{\mathcal{F}} &= \beta u_D \end{aligned}$$

$\sigma$ -POINT UNANIMITY YIELDS POINT UNANIMITY WHEN

$$\sigma = E$$

### Proposition

Let  $\sigma$  be a positive power measure. The Harsanyi power solution  $\varphi^\sigma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfies  $\sigma$ -point unanimity on  $US^N$



## Lemma

- (i) Let  $(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) \in US^N$ . If  $(N, \nu, \mathcal{F})$  is support unanimous, then  $(N, \nu, \mathcal{F})$  is also point unanimous
- (ii) Let  $(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) \in USI^N$ . Then  $(N, \nu, \mathcal{F})$  is support unanimous if and only if  $(N, \nu, \mathcal{F})$  is point unanimous

## Corollary

Let  $\sigma$  be a positive power measure. The Harsanyi power solution  $\varphi^\sigma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfies  $\sigma$ -influence property on  $US^N$

## Theorem

Let  $\sigma$  be a positive power measure. The Harsanyi power solution  $\varphi^\sigma : USI^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the unique allocation rule in  $USI^N$  satisfying

- additivity
- superfluous support property
- $\sigma$ -influence property

## Corollary

Let  $\sigma$  be a positive power measure. The Harsanyi power solution  $\varphi^\sigma : USI^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the unique allocation rule in  $USI^N$  satisfying

- additivity
- superfluous support property
- $\sigma$ -point unanimity property

## Corollary

Taking the power measure  $\sigma = I$ , it holds that

$$\varphi^1(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \pi(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}),$$

for all  $(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) \in USI^N$

Example  $N = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \{\{1, 2\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{2, 3, 4\}, N\}$ ,  $\nu = u_{\{1, 2, 3\}}$

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{C} = \{\{1, 2\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{2, 3, 4\}\}, \quad \nu^{\mathcal{F}} = u_{\{1, 2, 3\}}$$

$$N = \{1, 2\} \cup \{2, 3, 4\} = \{1, 2, 3\} \cup \{2, 3, 4\}$$

$(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) \notin USI^N$

$$\{1, 2, 3\} \cap \{2, 3, 4\} = \{2, 3\} \notin \mathcal{F}$$

$$\mu(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \left( \frac{4}{12}, \frac{4}{12}, \frac{4}{12}, 0 \right), \quad \varphi^E(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \left( \frac{4}{12}, \frac{4}{12}, \frac{4}{12}, 0 \right)$$

$$\pi(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \left( \frac{11}{36}, \frac{13}{36}, \frac{10}{36}, \frac{2}{36} \right), \quad \varphi^I(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \left( \frac{5}{12}, \frac{5}{12}, \frac{2}{12}, 0 \right)$$

$$\mu(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \varphi^E(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}), \quad (N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) \in US^N$$

$$\pi(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) \neq \varphi^I(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}), \quad (N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) \in US^N$$

## Corollary

- (i) The position value  $\pi : USI^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the unique allocation rule on  $USI^N$  satisfying additivity, superfluous support property and  $I$ -point unanimity
- (ii) The position value  $\pi : USI^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the unique allocation rule on  $USI^N$  satisfying additivity, superfluous support property and  $I$ -influence property
- (iii) The Myerson value  $\mu : USI^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the unique allocation rule on  $USI^N$  satisfying additivity, superfluous support property and  $E$ -point unanimity
- (iv) The Myerson value  $\mu : USI^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the unique allocation rule on  $USI^N$  satisfying additivity, superfluous support property and  $E$ -influence property

$$\gamma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

## CONNECTEDNESS

$$\gamma(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \gamma(N, w, \mathcal{F})$$

$$\nu(S) = w(S), \quad \forall S \in \mathcal{F}$$

## INESSENTIAL SUPPORT PROPERTY

$$\gamma(N, \nu, \mathcal{F}) = \gamma(N, \nu, \overline{\mathcal{B} \setminus \{H\}})$$

$$\nu = c u_T, \quad c \in R, \quad T \in \mathcal{F}, \quad T \neq \emptyset$$

$$H \in \mathcal{C}, \quad H \not\subset T$$

## Proposition

Let  $\sigma$  be a positive power measure. The Harsanyi power solution  $\varphi^\sigma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfies the inessential support property and connectedness on  $US^N$

## Theorem

Let  $\sigma$  be a positive power measure. The Harsanyi power solution  $\varphi^\sigma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the unique allocation rule on  $US^N$  satisfying

- additivity
- $\sigma$ -point unanimity property
- inessential support property
- connectedness

## Corollary

The Myerson value  $\mu: US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the unique allocation rule on  $US^N$  satisfying

- additivity
- point unanimity property
- inessential support property
- connectedness



## Proposition

$\gamma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $\gamma$  is an additive allocation rule satisfying **superfluous player property** then  $\gamma$  verifies connectedness

## Theorem

Let  $\sigma$  be a positive power measure. The Harsanyi power solution  $\varphi^\sigma : US^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the unique allocation rule on  $US^N$  satisfying

- additivity
- $\sigma$ -point unanimity property
- superfluous player property

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