

# Bayesian Games with mixed strategies

Bayesian BoS:

	$q_1$	$1 - q_1$	
	C	H	
P	C	10, 5	0, 0
1-P	H	0, 0	5, 10
	$P(I) = \frac{1}{2}$		

	$q_2 = 0$	$1 - q_2 = 1$	
	C	H	
$\frac{2}{3}$	C	10, 0	0, 10
$\frac{1}{3}$	H	0, 5	5, 0
	$P(U) = \frac{1}{2}$		

Payoff to girl of type I  
for always choosing C is,

$$5p + 0(1-p) = 5p$$

Payoff to girl of type I for  
always choosing H is,

$$0p + 10(1-p) = 10(1-p)$$

Therefore, girl of type I  
will employ mixed strategy,  
when,

$$5p = 10(1-p)$$

$$\Rightarrow 5p = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{2}{3}$$

Therefore, mixed strategy  
employed by boy is  $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}$   
Mixing C, H with probabilities  
 $\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}$  respectively.

Payoff to girl of type U  
for choosing C is  
 $0 \times \frac{2}{3} + 5 \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{3}$   
Payoff to girl of type U for  
choosing H is,  
 $10 \times \frac{2}{3} + 0 \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{20}{3}$

For girl of type U, choosing H yields a strictly greater payoff than choosing C.

$$\text{Therefore } q_2 = 0$$

$$1 - q_2 = 1$$

Payoff to boy for choosing C is,

$$\frac{1}{2} (10q_1 + 0(1-q_1))$$
$$+ \frac{1}{2} \times 0 = 5q_1$$

Payoff to boy for always  
choosing H is

$$\frac{1}{2} (0q_1 + 5(1-q_1)) + \frac{1}{2} \times 5 = \frac{5}{2}(1-q_1) + \frac{5}{2}$$

Since boy is using a  
mixed strategy, payoff  
to C, H must be equal.

Therefore,

$$5q_1 = \frac{5}{2}(1-q_1) + \frac{5}{2}$$

$$10q_1 = 5(1-q_1) + 5$$

$$15q_1 = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow q_1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$1 - q_1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

Mixture of girl of type I is  $(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$ .

Therefore, the mixed strategy Bayesian Nash Equilibrium of the game is,

$$\left( \left( \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right), \left( \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right), (0, 1) \right)$$

Mixture of Boy      Mixture of Girl of Type I      Mixture of girl of type U.

	$q_1=0$	$1-q_1=1$	
	C	H	
$p=\frac{1}{3}$	C	10, 5	0, 0
$1-p=\frac{2}{3}$	H	0, 0	5, 10

$P(I) = \frac{1}{2}$

	$q_2$	$1-q_2$	
	C	H	
$p=\frac{1}{3}$	C	10, 0	0, 10
$1-p=\frac{2}{3}$	H	0, 5	5, 0

$P(U) = \frac{1}{2}$

Let girl of type U be mixing.

Her payoff to always choosing C  
is  $0p + 5(1-p) = 5(1-p)$

Her payoff to always choosing  
H is  $10p + 0(1-p) = 10p$ .

Therefore

$$5(1-p) = 10p$$

$$\Rightarrow 15p = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$1-p = \frac{2}{3}$$

Payoff to girl of type I  
for always choosing C is

$$5 \times \frac{1}{3} + 0 \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{3}$$

Her payoff to always choosing

$$H \text{ is } 0 \times \frac{1}{3} + 10 \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{20}{3}$$

Therefore girl of type  $\underline{I}$   
is always choosing  $H$ .

$$\Rightarrow q_1 = 0$$

$$1 - q_1 = 1$$

Payoff to Boy corresponding to  
 $C$  is

$$\frac{1}{2} \times 0 + \frac{1}{2} (10 \times q_2 + 0(1 - q_2))$$
$$= 5q_2$$

Payoff to Boy for always  
choosing H is,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \times 5 + \frac{1}{2} \times 5(1 - q/2) \\ & = \frac{5}{2} + \frac{5}{2}(1 - q/2) \end{aligned}$$

$$5q/2 = \frac{5}{2} + \frac{5}{2}(1 - q/2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow 10q/2 &= 5 + 5(1 - q/2) \\ &= 10 - 5q/2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow q/2 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$1 - q/2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

Another mixed strategy  
Bayesian Nash Equilibrium

$$\left( \left( \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right), \left( (0, 1), \left( \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right) \right) \right)$$

Mixture of  
Boy

Mixture of  
girl of type I

Mixture of  
girl of type U.