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A simple experiment using 5x5 two-person zero-sum games was conducted to determine the effect of multiplying a constant to each value of a payoff matrix. Four different constants were multiplied to a single simple game. Multiplication of the payoff matrix caused the decision maker to be given irrelevant information about the game since the optimum strategy for the game did not depend upon this constant. Eight San Diego State College students served as subjects for this experiment. The subjects played in pairs each making 200 decisions on each side of every game. It was concluded that multiplying a game by a constant does not influence the subject's decisions. (Author).

A short, rigorous introduction to intermediate microeconomic theory that offers worked-out examples, tools for solving exercises, and algebra support. This book takes a concise, example-filled approach to intermediate microeconomic theory. It avoids lengthy conceptual description and focuses on worked-out examples

and step-by-step solutions. Each chapter presents the basic theoretical elements, reducing them to their main ingredients, and offering several worked-out examples and applications as well as the intuition behind each mathematical assumption and result. The book provides step-by-step tools for solving standard exercises, offering students a common approach for solving similar problems. The book walks readers through each algebra step and calculation, so only a basic background in algebra and calculus is assumed. The book includes 140 self-assessment exercises, giving students an opportunity to apply concepts from previous worked-out examples. Topics covered include consumer theory; substitution and income effect; welfare gain or loss from a price change; and choice under uncertainty. Shifting to a firm theory, the book discusses production functions, cost minimization, perfectly competitive markets, and monopolies. Two chapters on game theory provide building blocks for subsequent chapters that treat imperfect markets; games of incomplete information and auctions; contract theory; and externalities, public goods, and common pool resources. The book is suitable for use in undergraduate intermediate microeconomics courses, rigorous introduction to microeconomics courses, and managerial economics at the masters level.

"Decision-making in resource allocation can be a complex and daunting task. We provide the following general hypothesis: coevolutionary algorithms are an effective mechanism for the creation of a computer player for strategic decision-making games. To address this hypothesis, we present a system that uses coevolution to learn new strategies for the resource allocation game of TEMPO. The game of TEMPO provides a perfect test bed for this research, as it abstracts real-world military resource allocation, and was developed for training Department of Defence personnel. Importantly, TEMPO also gives us an abstraction of another component of strategic decision-making that is not directly available in other games - that of intelligence (INTEL) and counter intelligence (CI). We investigate the addition of memory to a coevolutionary algorithm for strategy creation. This includes mechanisms to select memory individuals for evaluation of coevolutionary individuals. We describe a successful strategy of selection, based on the way a human's short and long term memory works. We then investigate the use of INTEL and CI in the game of TEMPO, and the way it is used by the coevolved computer players. Through this work, we present a new version of the TEMPO game that more realistically represents INTEL and CI. Finally, we describe a process that uses coevolution to adapt to a human player real-time, to create a tailored game-play experience." -- From abstract.

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In an ever-changing economy, market specialists strive to find new ways to

evaluate the risks and potential reward of economic ventures by assessing the importance of human reaction during the economic planning process. The Handbook of Research on Behavioral Finance and Investment Strategies: Decision Making in the Financial Industry presents an interdisciplinary, comparative, and competitive analysis of the thought processes and planning necessary for individual and corporate economic management. This publication is an essential reference source for professionals, practitioners, and managers working in the field of finance, as well as researchers and academicians interested in an interdisciplinary approach to combine financial management, sociology, and psychology.

As the age of Big Data emerges, it becomes necessary to take the five dimensions of Big Data- volume, variety, velocity, volatility, and veracity- and focus these dimensions towards one critical emphasis - value. The Encyclopedia of Business Analytics and Optimization confronts the challenges of information retrieval in the age of Big Data by exploring recent advances in the areas of knowledge management, data visualization, interdisciplinary communication, and others. Through its critical approach and practical application, this book will be a must-have reference for any professional, leader, analyst, or manager interested in making the most of the knowledge resources at their disposal.

A thoroughly revised and updated edition of the leading textbook on government and business policy, presenting the key principles underlying sound regulatory and antitrust policy. Regulation and antitrust are key elements of government policy. This new edition of the leading textbook on government and business policy explains how the latest theoretical and empirical economic tools can be employed to analyze pressing regulatory and antitrust issues. The book departs from the common emphasis on institutions, focusing instead on the relevant underlying economic issues, using state-of-the-art analysis to assess the appropriate design of regulatory and antitrust policy. Extensive case studies illustrate fundamental principles and provide insight on key issues in regulation and antitrust policy. This fifth edition has been thoroughly revised and updated, reflecting both the latest developments in economic analysis and recent economic events. The text examines regulatory practices through the end of the Obama and beginning of the Trump administrations. New material includes coverage of global competition and the activities of the European Commission; recent mergers, including Comcast-NBC Universal; antitrust in the new economy, including investigations into Microsoft and Google; the financial crisis of 2007–2008 and the Dodd-Frank Act; the FDA approval process; climate change policies; and behavioral economics as a tool for designing regulatory strategies. To make the best decisions, you need the best information. However, because most issues in game theory are grey, nearly all recent research has been carried out using a simplified method that considers grey systems as white ones. This often results in a forecasting function that is far from satisfactory when applied to many real situations. Grey Game Theory and Its Applications in Economic

basketball tactics and strategy, you have found it!" Coach Doug Porter - Head Women's Coach, Olivet Nazarene University National Scoring leaders: 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference Champions: 2000, 2005, 2007 "His thought provoking approach makes for an easy read and will definitely stimulate thought and, most likely, change the way you go about coaching!" Rusty Rogers - Two time NAIA Division II Women's National Championship Coach and Two time NAIA National Coach of the Year "Coach Sivils clearly brings his experience in the game of basketball to his writing. He is a great teacher who acquired great gifts over the years and it's great he wants to share those gifts with other coaches." Bill Reidy - Long time successful high school and AAU coach

Geometry, Language and Strategy is a way of looking at game theory or strategic decision-making from a scientific perspective, using standard equations from the fields of engineering and physics. To better approximate reality, it extends game theory beyond the two-player set piece. The book begins where former game theory literature ends OCo with multi-person games on a world stage. It encompasses many of the variables encountered in strategic planning, using mathematics borrowed from physics and engineering, rather than the economic models which have not proven to be good in predicting reality. Sample Chapter(s). Chapter 1: Introduction (1,364 KB). Contents: Rules-of-the-Game; Flow of Strategic-Mass; Game Symmetries; Analysis; Graphical Presentation; Applications and Open Problems; Appendices: Thermodynamics; Symmetry in Differential Geometry; Central Strategies; Single Strategy Model; Single Strategy Numerical Solutions; Streamlines; Player Fluid. Readership: Mathematicians and scientists who wish to broaden their understanding of economic possibilities using game theory."

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Contemporary epistemological and cognitive studies, as well as recent trends in computer science and game theory have revealed an increasingly important and intimate relationship between Information, Interaction, and Agency. Agents perform actions based on the available information and in the presence of other interacting agents. From this perspective Information, Interaction, and Agency neatly ties together classical themes like rationality, decision-making and belief revision with games, strategies and learning in a multi-agent setting. Unified by the central notions Information, Interaction, and Agency, the essays in this volume provide refreshing methodological perspectives on belief revision, dynamic epistemic logic, von Neumann games, and evolutionary game theory; all of which in turn are central approaches to understanding our own rationality and that of other agents.

This book covers the main topics that students need to learn in a course on Industrial Organization. It reviews the classic models and important empirical evidence related to the field. However, it will differ from prior textbooks in two ways. First, this book incorporates contributions from behavioral economics and

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some attention paid to primary and secondary classrooms. . . The International Handbook on Teaching and Learning Economics is highly recommended for all economics instructors and individuals supporting economic education in courses in and outside of the major. This Handbook provides a multitude of rich resources that make it easy for new and veteran instructors to improve their instruction in ways promising to excite an increasing number of students about learning economics. This Handbook should be on every instructor's desk and referenced regularly. ð Tawni Hunt Ferrarini, The American Economist ð In delightfully readable short chapters by leaders in the sub-fields who are also committed teachers, this encyclopedia of how and what in teaching economics covers everything. There is nothing else like it, and it should be required reading for anyone starting a teaching career ð and for anyone who has been teaching for fewer than 50 years! ð Daniel S. Hamermesh, University of Texas, Austin, US The International Handbook on Teaching and Learning Economics provides a comprehensive resource for instructors and researchers in economics, both new and experienced. This wide-ranging collection is designed to enhance student learning by helping economic educators learn more about course content, pedagogic techniques, and the scholarship of the teaching enterprise. The internationally renowned contributors present an exhaustive compilation of accessible insights into major research in economic education across a wide range of topic areas including: ¥ Pedagogic practice ð teaching techniques, technology use, assessment, contextual techniques, and K-12 practices. ¥ Research findings ð principles courses, measurement, factors influencing student performance, evaluation, and the scholarship of teaching and learning. ¥ Institutional/administrative issues ð faculty development, the undergraduate and graduate student, and international perspectives. ¥ Teaching enhancement initiatives ð foundations, organizations, and workshops. Grounded in research, and covering past and present knowledge as well as future challenges, this detailed compendium of economics education will prove an invaluable reference tool for all involved in the teaching of economics: graduate students, new teachers, lecturers, faculty, researchers, chairs, deans and directors.

Make business decisions with the confidence and clarity as the world's best sports coaches. When the pressure is on, great coaches remain laser-focused, confident, and fully in charge of their roster. They're the same way when it comes to developing strategies and game plans to succeed. In short, they always win because they have a superior decision-making process. Game-Time Decision Making provides everything you need to up your decision-making game and build a championship-level business. It takes you step by step through the process of:

- Putting together an all-pro team with diverse skillsets
- Building a positive mindset that will overwhelm the competition
- Developing a keen awareness of "the playing field"
- Learning from failures so you never make the same mistake twice
- Creating both offensive and defensive strategies for branding and marketing

When you have everything in place to make quick, accurate calls in the toughest of situations, you have what you need to dominate your industry. Game-Time Decision Making is a proven playbook for positioning yourself for success. From creating and utilizing the best tactics and strategies to leading your company through times of change, this is your playbook for total business success. Foreword by Tilman Fertitta, chairman and CEO of Landry's, and owner of the Golden Nugget Casinos and the NBA's Houston Rockets

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Games and Decision Making, Second Edition, is a unique blend of decision theory and game theory. From classical optimization to modern game theory, authors Charalambos D. Aliprantis and Subir K. Chakrabarti show the importance of mathematical knowledge in understanding and analyzing issues in decision making. Through an imaginative selection of topics, Aliprantis and Chakrabarti treat decision and game theory as part of one body of knowledge. They move from problems involving the individual decision-maker to progressively more complex problems such as sequential rationality, auctions, and bargaining. By building each chapter on material presented earlier, the authors offer a self-contained and comprehensive treatment of these topics. Successfully class-tested in an advanced undergraduate course at the Krannert School of Management and in a graduate course in economics at Indiana University, Games and Decision Making, Second Edition, is an essential text for advanced undergraduates and graduate students of decision theory and game theory. The book is accessible to students who have a good basic understanding of elementary calculus and probability theory. New to this Edition * Chapter 2 includes new sections on two-person games, best-response strategies, mixed strategies, and incomplete information * Chapter 4 has been expanded to provide new material on behavior strategies and applications * The chapter on auctions (5) includes a new section on revenue equivalence * Offers two new chapters, on repeated games (7) and existence results (9) * New applications have been added to all the chapters

The purpose of this thesis is to describe a framework for representing and solving strategic decision-making problems. Strategic decision-making is frequently analyzed using game theory, but the classical game theory model has several shortcomings. This thesis proposes an alternative method for solving games, in which players strategies are treated as reactant molecules and equilibrium decisions are evaluated using Gibbsian thermodynamics. This alternative method, called Chemical Game Theory, removes some of the key shortcomings of classical game theory by including the chemical concept of entropy in the game solution and incorporating player biases, outside enforcer agents, and cardinal payoff magnitudes. This thesis will quantify the relative effects of entropy, perspective, and pre-bias in final equilibrium decisions and discuss how players can adjust their strategies to alter the total welfare and fairness of the outcomes.

Managers are continually called on to make strategic decisions based on how someone else will act, and react, and this is exactly what game theory was invented to analyze. With the publication of John McMillan's 'Games, Strategies, and Managers, ' managers can now unlock the power of this bold way of thinking. The book strips away distracting details and provides insights into what is really going on in every negotiation and strategic decision.

This volume is a collection of contributions to the subject of multicriteria decision making and differential games, all of which are based wholly or in part on papers that have appeared in the Journal of Optimization Theory and Applications. The authors take this opportunity to revise, update, or enlarge upon their earlier publications. The theory of multicriteria decision making and differential games is concerned with situations in which a single decision maker is faced with a

multiplicity of usually incompatible criteria, performance indices or payoffs, or in which a number of decision makers, or players, must take into account criteria each of which depends on the decisions of all the decision makers. The first six chapters are devoted to situations involving a single decision maker, or a number of decision makers in complete collaboration and thus being in effect a single decision maker. Chapters I -IV treat various topics in the theory of domination structures and nondominated decisions. Chapter V presents a discussion of efficient, or Pareto-optimal, decisions. The approach to multicriteria decision making via preference relations is explored in Chapter VI. When there is more than one decision maker, cooperation, as well as noncooperation, is possible. Chapters VII and VIII deal with the topic of coalitions in a dynamic setting, while Chapters IX and X address the situation of two unequal decision makers, a leader and a follower.

Game theory is a key element in most decision-making processes involving two or more people or organisations. This book explains how game theory can predict the outcome of complex decision-making processes, and how it can help you to improve your own negotiation and decision-making skills. It is grounded in well-established theory, yet the wide-ranging international examples used to illustrate its application offer a fresh approach to an essential weapon in the armoury of the informed manager. The book is accessibly written, explaining in simple terms the underlying mathematics behind games of skill, before moving on to more sophisticated topics such as zero-sum games, mixed-motive games, and multi-person games, coalitions and power. Clear examples and helpful diagrams are used throughout, and the mathematics is kept to a minimum. It is written for managers, students and decision makers in any field.

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A preliminary experiment to evaluate the effectiveness of practice on the ability of personnel to make decisions in simple zero-sum two-person gaming situations was conducted with college students as subjects. Four decision problems were used in the experiment. The Ss played against each other in pairs; each S attempted to maximize accumulation of points. It was found that the Ss were able to learn through practice alone to approximate minimax solutions to the problems. With this simple situation no significant transfer from problem to problem was found; thus, there was no indication that learning on one problem had any marked effect on learning another problem. Large differences between problems were found, indicating the presumably obvious fact that the subjects' ability to make correct decisions depends on the difficulty of the decision problem. Further study is needed to determine the reason for the lack of transfer. (Author).

Behavioral science books are popping up on bestseller lists: Predictably Irrational; Thinking, Fast and Slow; Nudge; Decisive. Even the White House launched a Behavioral Insights Team to match the British Ministry of Nudges. Conspicuously absent from this conversation is the church. The Irrational Jesus

bridges this gap. Ken Evers-Hood looks at Jesus through the lens of cognitive heuristics (mental shortcuts) and biases (blind spots) and makes the case that a fully human Jesus is predictably irrational--just like all of us. Find out how the Apostle Paul's community building mirrors a prisoner's dilemma game and how this makes Paul an irrational leader, too. Discover how playing better games in church can foster hopeful, flourishing communities. Improve your decision-making; learn when to plan for irrationality and when to live into it. The Irrational Jesus addresses these issues and more. Integrating the insights of behavioral economists such as Dan Ariely, the gameful thinking of Jane McGonigal, and cutting-edge ideas from decision theory, Evers-Hood articulates a behavioral theology for fully human pastors of fully human congregations--a fresh perspective that will change how pastors and other church leaders see themselves, the institutions they serve, and the scriptural and theological tradition.

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