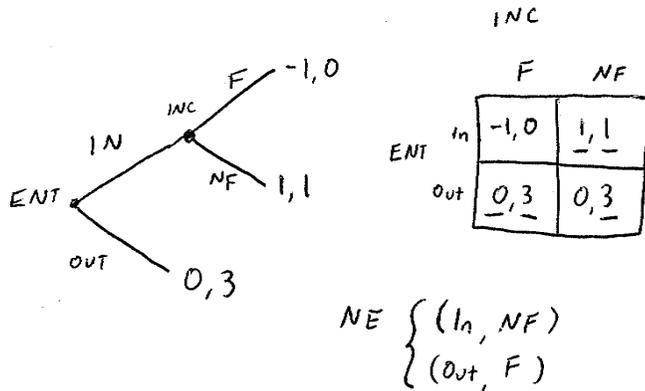


last time



NE { (In, NF)  
(Out, F)

BE In → NF

17%  
If  $\epsilon$ -chance that Ale is crazy,  
Then he can deter entry by fighting: seeming crazy

Chain-store paradox

reputation

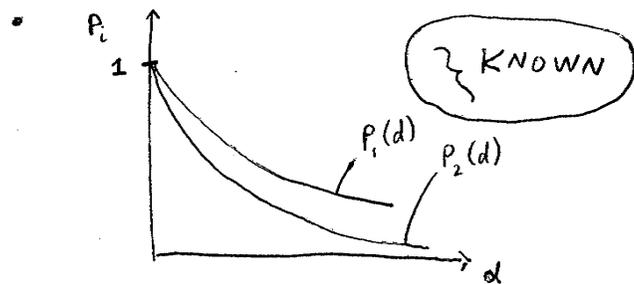
Two points  
1) Small probability of crazy changes things  
2) Reputation matters, too...

- ← - hostages : reputation of toughness
- doctors, accountants: want reputation as good, nice, honest

Duel - when

«shooting, cycling, product launch »

• Let  $P_i(d)$  be player  $i$ 's probability of hitting if  $i$  shoots at distance  $d$



« Assume : abilities known »

PRE-EMPTION

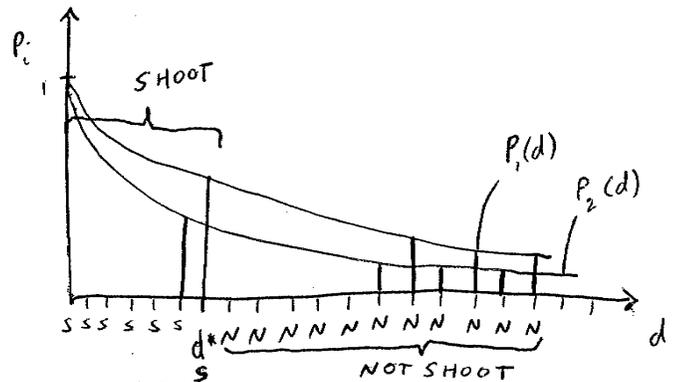
« Use dominance and backward induction »

FACT (A) Assuming no-one has thrown, if  $i$  knows (at  $d$ ) that  $j$  will not shoot "tomorrow" (at  $d-1$ ), then  $i$  should not shoot "today".

FACT (B)

..... will shoot  
..... (at  $d-1$ ), then  $i$  should shoot if  $i$ 's prob of hitting at  $d$   $P_i(d) \geq 1 - P_j(d-1)$   $j$ 's prob of missing at  $d-1$

$\Leftrightarrow P_i(d) + P_j(d-1) \geq 1$  \*



Claim The first shot should occur at  $d^*$

« Shown no one should shoot before  $d^*$  - by dominance but at  $d^*$ , there is no dominance - need BI  
↳ you need to know what you believe about their next move »

At  $d=0$  (say 2's turn)  
Shoot ( $P_2(0)=1$ )

At  $d=1$  (say 1's turn)  
1 knows that 2 will shoot tomorrow?  
by (B) → should shoot if  $P_1(1) + P_2(0) \geq 1$   
✓ shoot

$A+d=2$  (2's turn) 2 ----- 1 -----

...  $\Rightarrow$  2 should shoot if  $P_2(2) + P_1(1) \stackrel{?}{\geq} 1$

$\ll$  Who shoots first is not necessarily better or worse shooter, but whoever's turn it is first at  $d^*$  (where  $d^*$  is determined by their joint ability)  $\gg$

$\ll$  You can solve hard problems with dominance and BI  $\gg$

$\ll$  If playing an un-sophisticated player  
- still don't shoot before  $d^*$  (dominated strategy)  $\gg$

$\ll$  People shoot early  
- overconfidence  
- pro-active bias  
 $\Rightarrow$  sometimes waiting is a good strategy  $\gg$