

# ON ŁUKASIEWICZ GAMES

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- ▶ The use of Łukasiewicz logics makes it possible to more naturally represent much richer payoff functions for players.



# ŁUKASIEWICZ AND GAMES

- ▶ Classic Game Theory:
  - ▶ Non-cooperative games:
    - ▶ Łukasiewicz Games on  $L_k^c$  [M. & Wooldridge]
    - ▶ Constant Sum Łukasiewicz Games on  $L_\infty$  [Kroupa & Majer]
  - ▶ Cooperative games: MV-coalitions [Kroupa]
- ▶ Game-Theoretic Semantics:
  - ▶ Dialogue games [Fermüller, Giles, ...]
  - ▶ Evaluation games [Cintula & Majer]
  - ▶ Ulam games [Mundici]

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5.  $\phi_i(p_1, \dots, p_t)$  is an  $L_k^c$ -formula, built from variables in  $V$ , whose associated function

$$f_{\phi_i} : (L_k)^t \rightarrow L_k$$

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- ▶ Travelers' payoff is given by the functions:

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# TRAVELER'S DILEMMA: PAYOFF MATRIX

		T2								
		0	1	2	3	...	97	98	99	100
T1	0	0,0	2,0	2,0	2,0	...	2,0	2,0	2,0	2,0
	1	0,2	0,0	3,0	3,0	...	3,0	3,0	3,0	3,0
	2	0,2	0,3	1,1	4,0	...	4,0	4,0	4,0	4,0
	3	0,2	0,3	0,4	2,2	...	5,0	4,0	4,0	4,0
	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
	97	0,2	0,3	0,4	0,5	...	96,96	99,95	99,95	99,95
	98	0,2	0,3	0,4	0,5	...	95,99	97,97	100,96	100,96
	99	0,2	0,3	0,4	0,5	...	95,99	96,100	98,98	100,97
	100	0,2	0,3	0,4	0,5	...	95,99	96,100	97,100	99,99

# TRAVELER'S DILEMMA AS A ŁUKASIEWICZ GAME OVER $\mathbb{L}_{100}^c$

Let

$$\mathcal{G} = \langle \{\text{T1}, \text{T2}\}, \{p, q\}, \{p\}_1, \{q\}_2, \{\phi_1(p, q), \phi_2(p, q)\} \rangle,$$

where the payoff formulas are:

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# OTHER EXAMPLES

- ▶ Auctions.
- ▶ Coordination Games.
- ▶ Matching Pennies.
- ▶ Weak-Link Games.

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$$B_i = \left\{ (s_i, s_{-i}) \mid \operatorname{argmax}_{s'_i \in S_i} (\sigma_{s_{-i}}(f_{\phi_i})) = s_i \right\},$$

is called the *best response set* for  $i$ .



# EXAMPLE

Take the game

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where

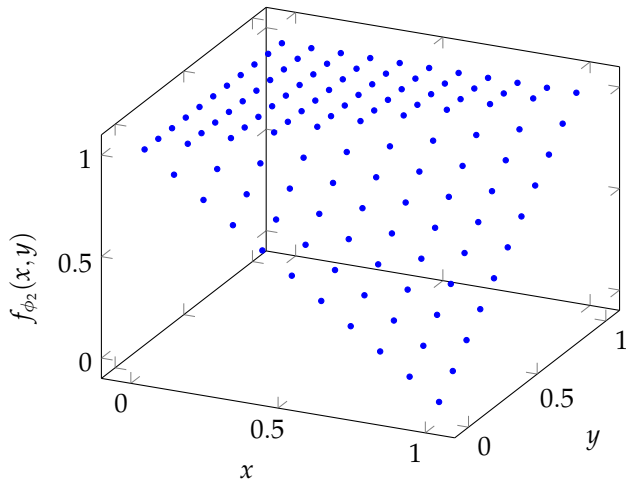
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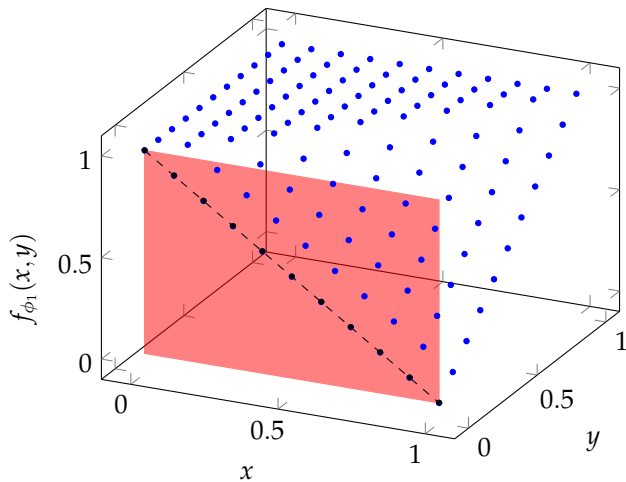
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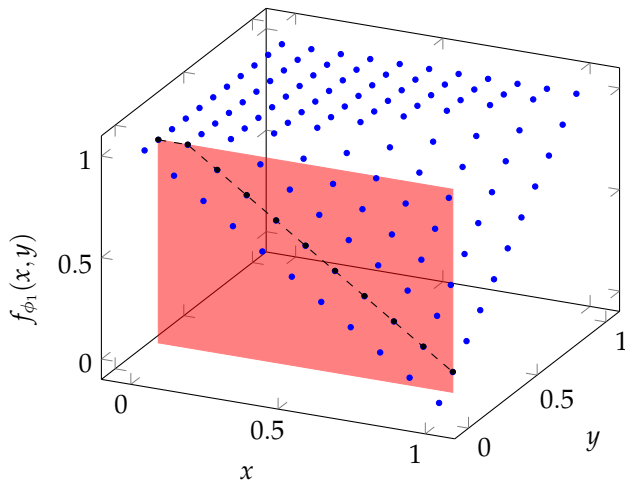
		T2							
		0	1	2	3	...	8	9	10
T1	0	10, 10	10, 9	10, 8	10, 7	...	10, 2	10, 1	10, 0
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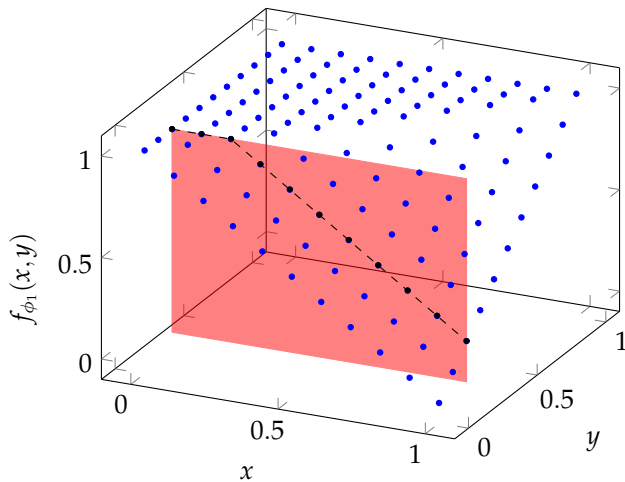
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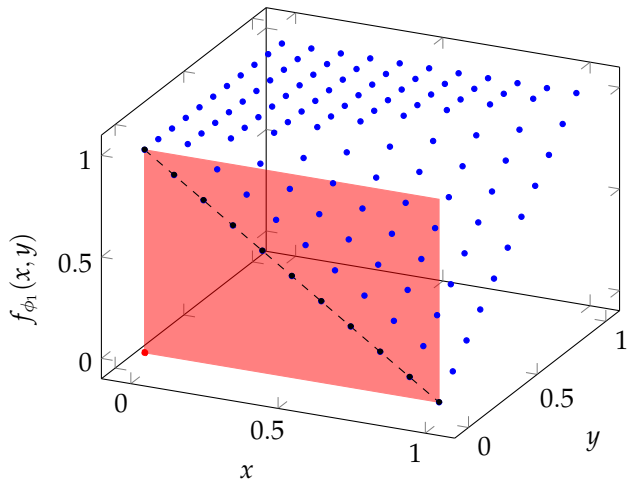
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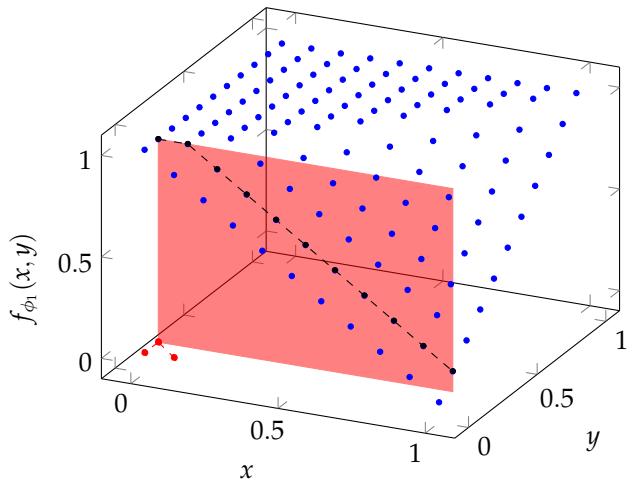
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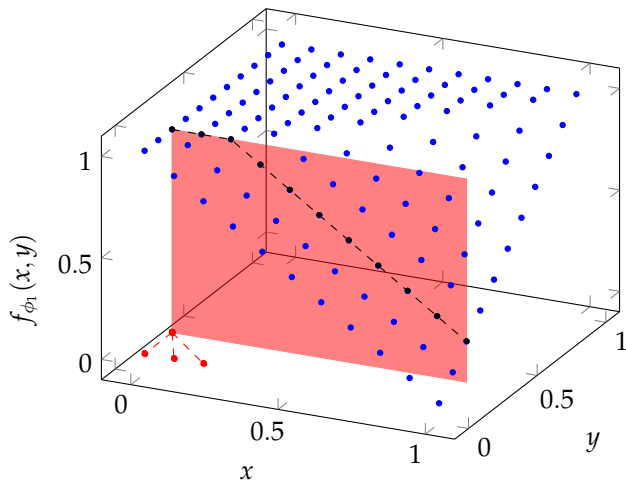
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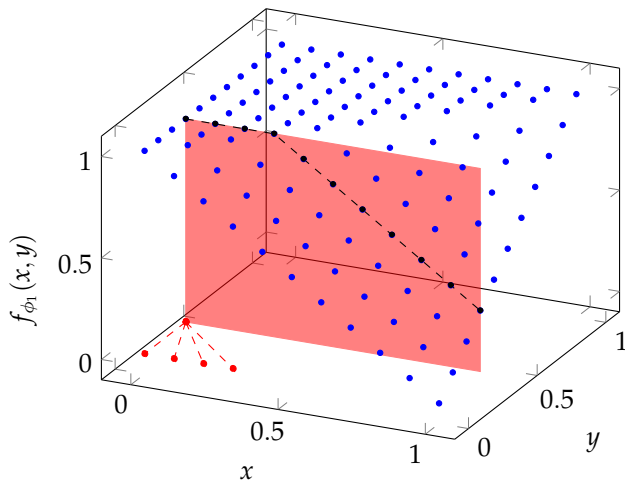
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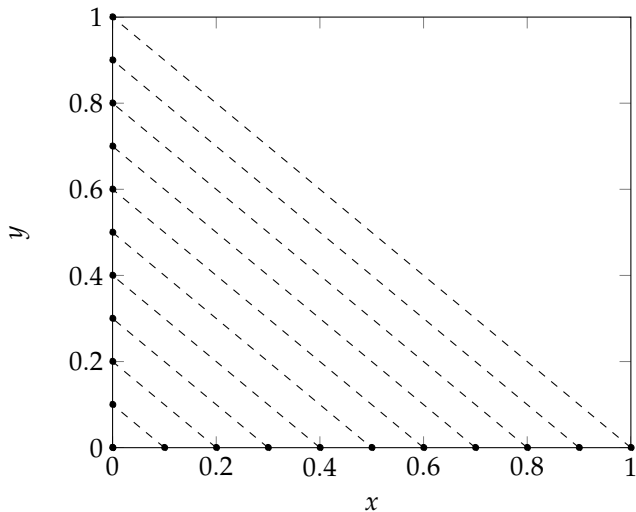
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# THANKS!