

# Algorithmic game theory

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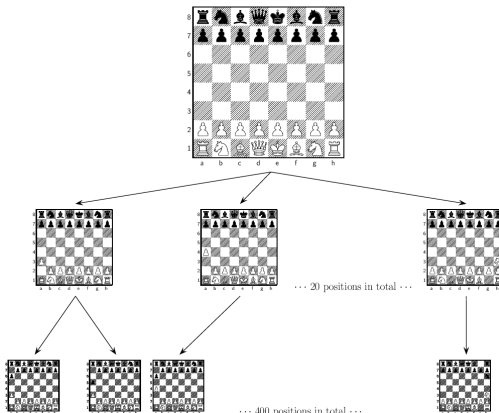


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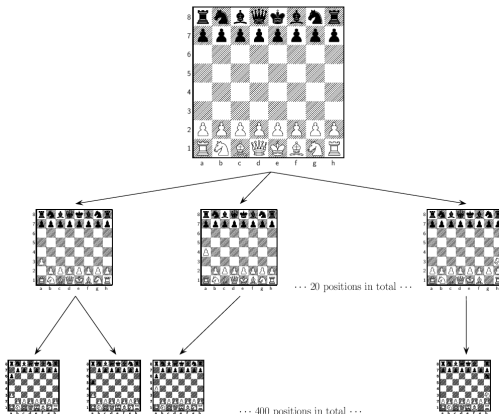
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- Today, we describe **strategies** for such games and how to compute **Nash equilibria**.

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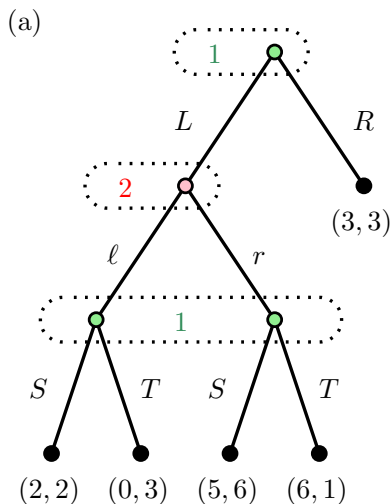
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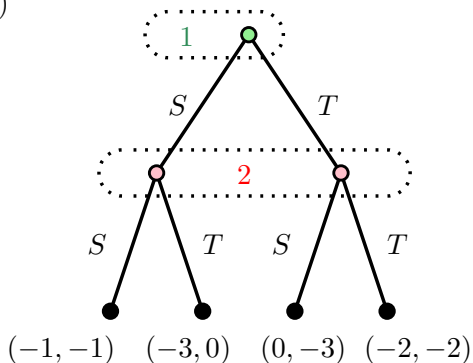
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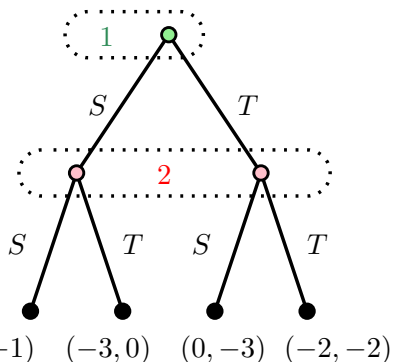
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- Every normal-form game can be expressed as an imperfect-information extensive game.

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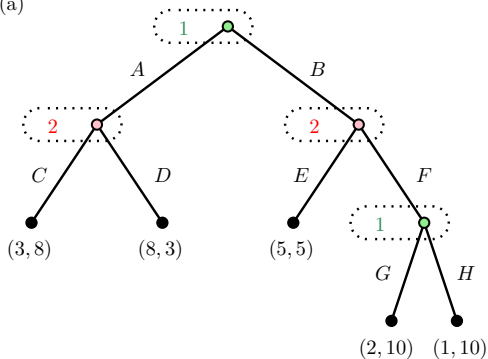
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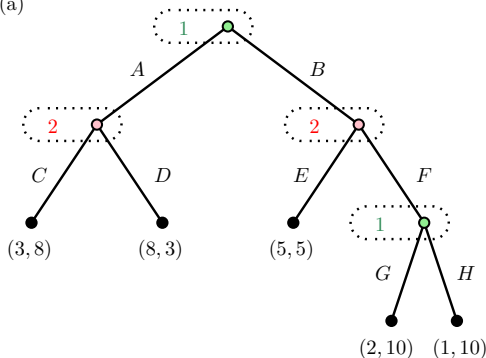
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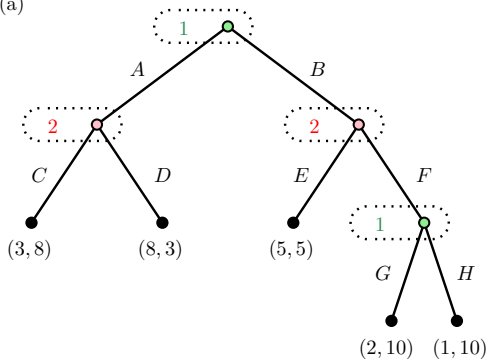
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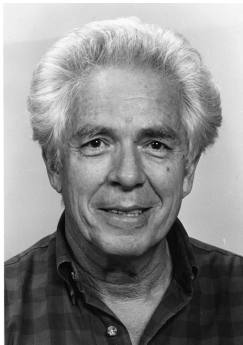
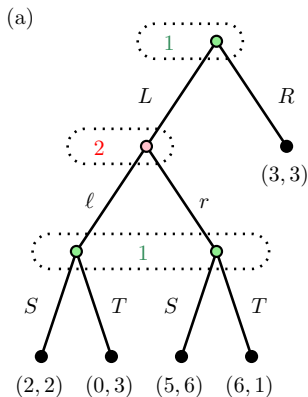


Figure: Harold William Kuhn (1925–2014).

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- An example of an imperfect-information game in extensive form (part (a)) and linear constraints in its sequence form (part (b)).



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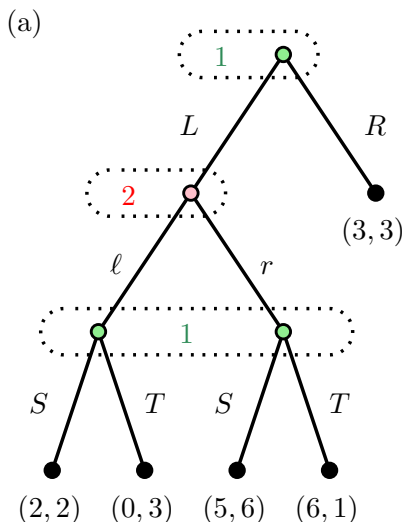
$$E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & \\ & -1 & & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad e = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

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