

# Algorithmic game theory — Homework 2<sup>1</sup>

## Nash equilibria

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**Homework 1.** Draw the best response polyhedron and normalized best response polytope for the Battle for Gotham's soul. Then, find all completely labeled pairs of vertices that correspond to Nash equilibria. [4]

	Cooperate (3)	Detonate (4)
Cooperate (1)	(1, 1)	(1, 2)
Detonate (2)	(2, 1)	(1, 1)

Table 1: Battle for Gotham's soul.

**Homework 2.** Use the Lemke–Howson algorithm and compute a Nash equilibrium of the following bimatrix game: [3]

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 12 \\ 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad a \quad N = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Start by choosing the label 1.

**Homework 3.** [Sperner's Lemma] Let  $S$  be a given subdivision of a triangle  $T$  in the plane. A legal coloring the vertices of  $S$  assigns one of three colors (red, blue, and green) to each vertex of  $S$  such that all the three colors are used on the vertices of  $T$ . Moreover, a vertex of  $S$  lying on an edge of  $T$  must have one of the two colors of the endpoints of this edge.

Prove that, in every legal coloring of  $S$ , there is a triangular face of  $S$  whose vertices are colored with all three colors.

Hint: Use a reduction to the END-OF-THE-LINE problem. [3]

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<sup>1</sup>Information about the course can be found at <http://kam.mff.cuni.cz/~balko/>