

HETEROGENEITY IN ASSORTATIVE VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION GAMES

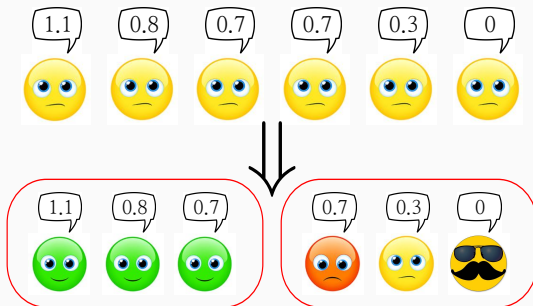
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Do good outcomes exist for players with heterogeneous endowments?

N players with initial endowment w_i play the following public-goods game (**Social Dilemma**):

1. **Actions.** Each player i decides how much to contribute α_i .
2. **Matching.** Rank players by their effective contributions. Then, assign them to groups according to their ranking:

THE MODEL



3. **Outcome.** Payoffs ϕ_i based on the contribution total in each group:

$$\phi_i(\alpha_i \mid \alpha_{-i}) = w_i(1 - \alpha_i) + Q \sum_{j \in G_i} \alpha_j^\gamma w_j$$

- The exponent γ : a measure of “how good” the public-good provision efficacy is.
- Heterogeneity in initial endowments w_i : indicates how much the players differ from each other.

NE: EFFICIENCY LOSS

