



算法博弈论中的两个均衡问题

Two Topics on Nash Equilibrium in Algorithmic Game Theory



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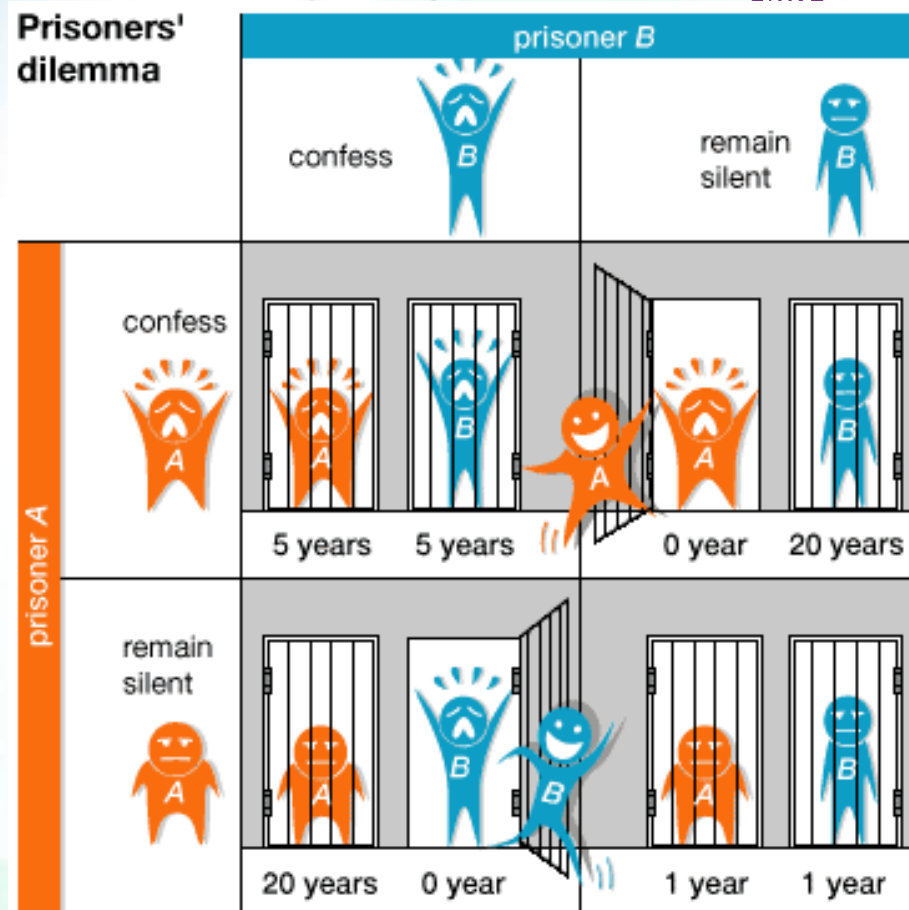
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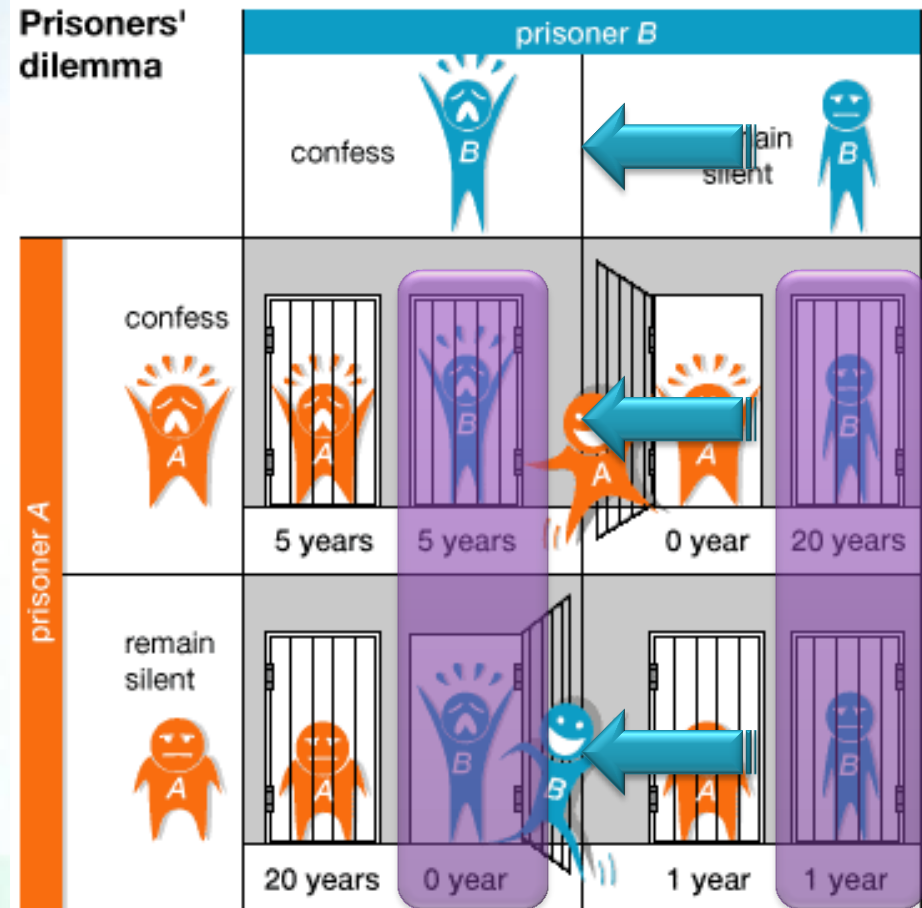
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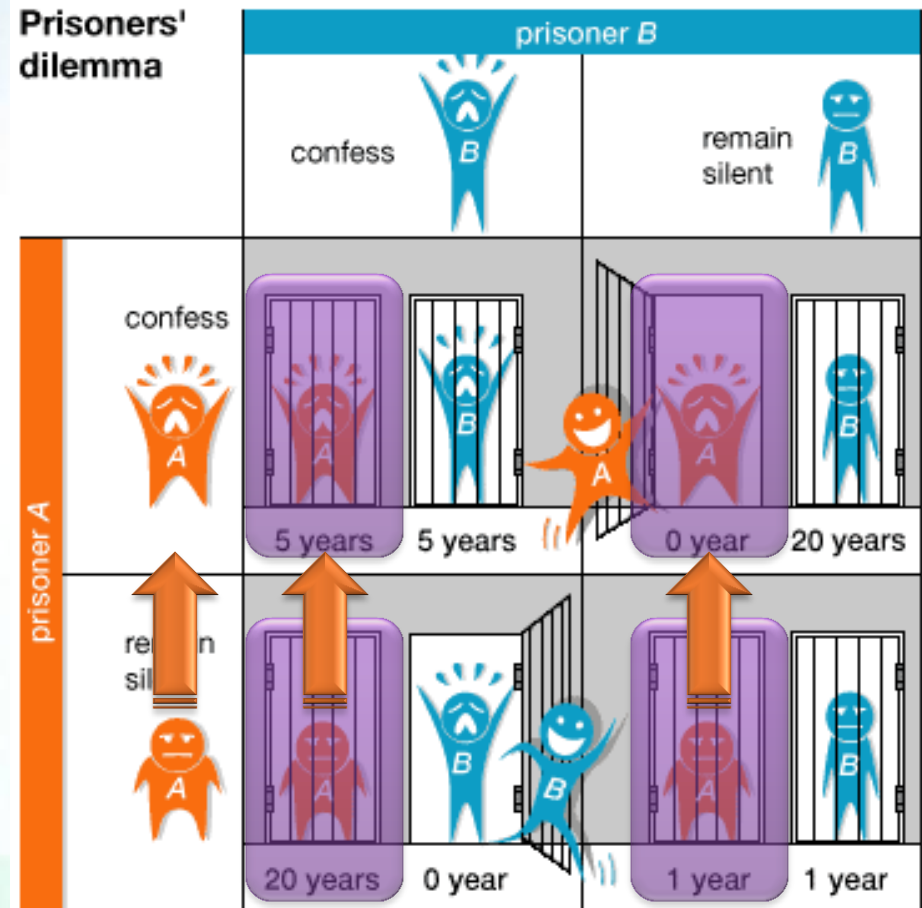
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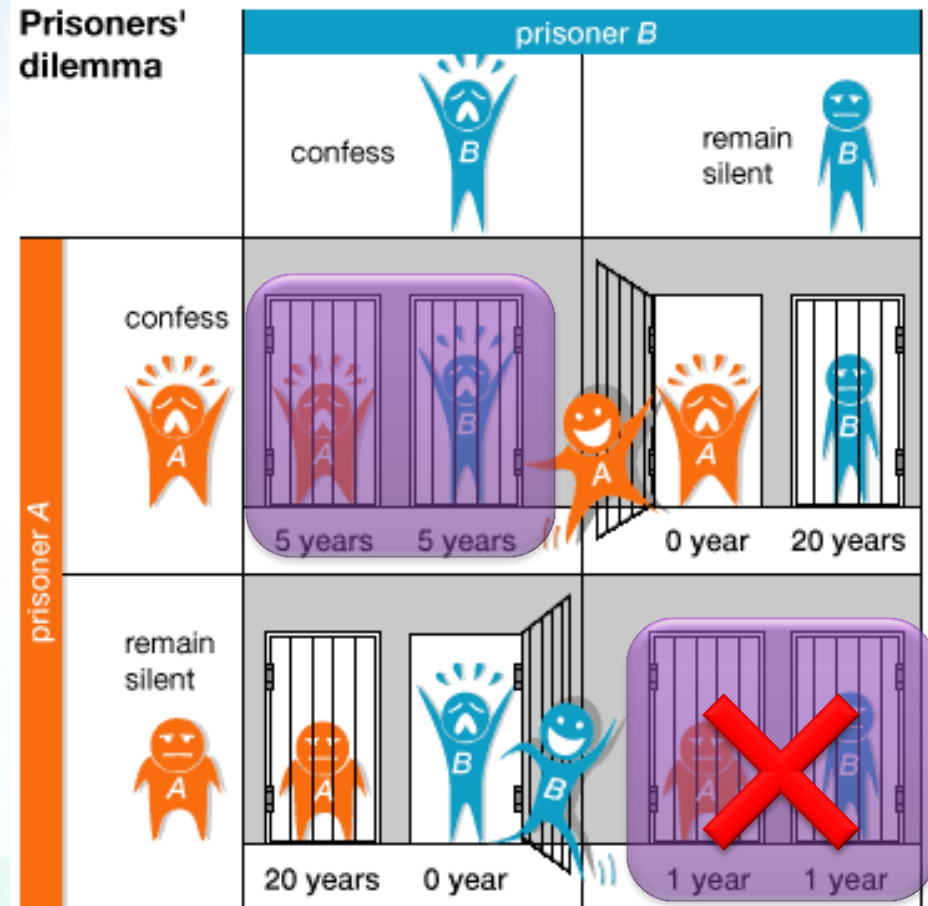
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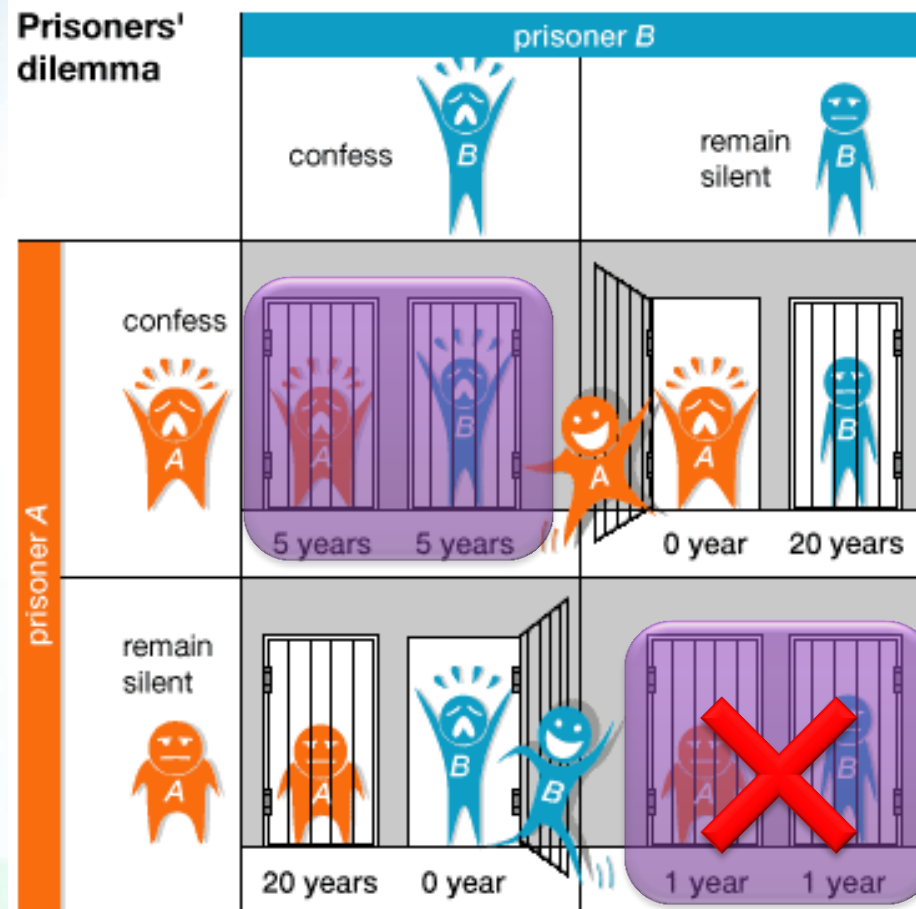
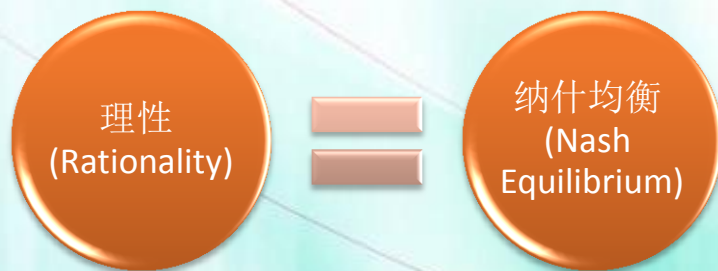


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- 参与者不能通过独自行动而增加收益的策略集合，称之为纳什均衡
- Nash Equilibrium is a strategy profile in which every participant cannot benefit through changing her own strategy unilaterally.



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社交网络下的定价问题

The Pricing Problem under Social Network

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universal price of p
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每个买家有一个心里价位 v_i

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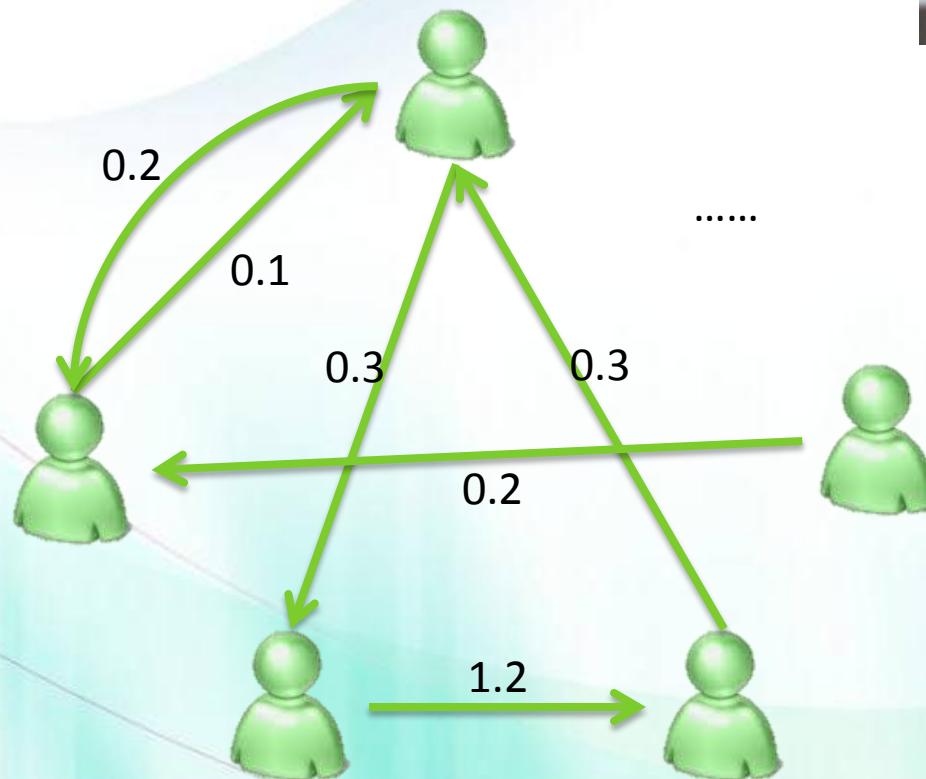
The utility of buyer i : $u_i = v_i - p$
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The current best strategy is obvious: buyer i buys Windows 7 if and only if $v_i > p$
此时的最佳策略是显然的: 第 i 个买家购买 Windows 7 当且仅当 $v_i > p$

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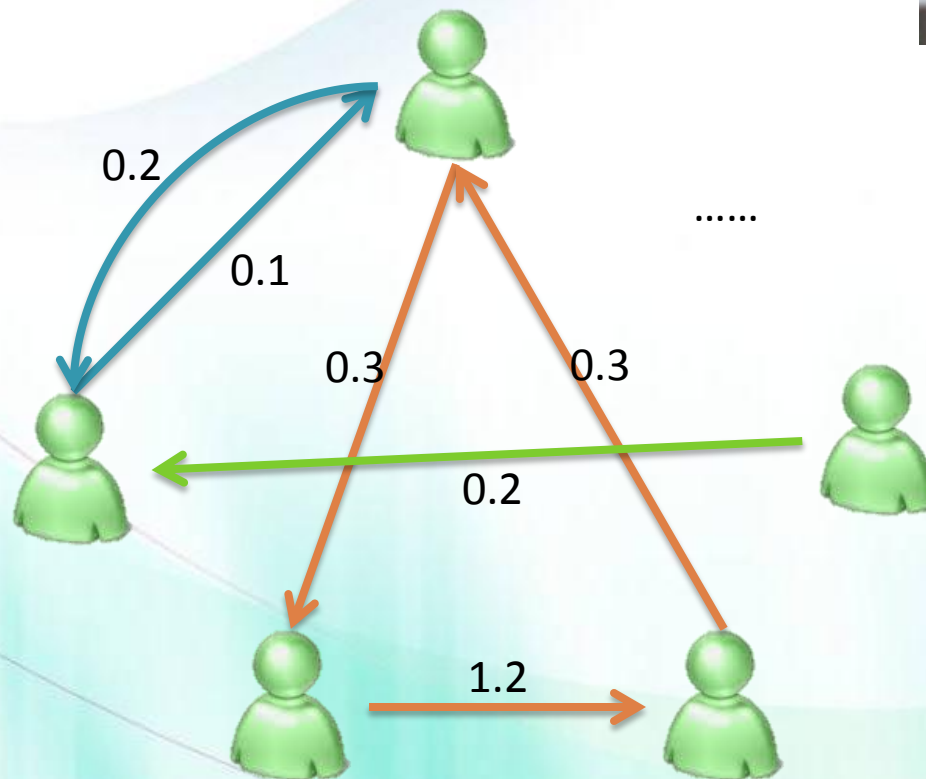
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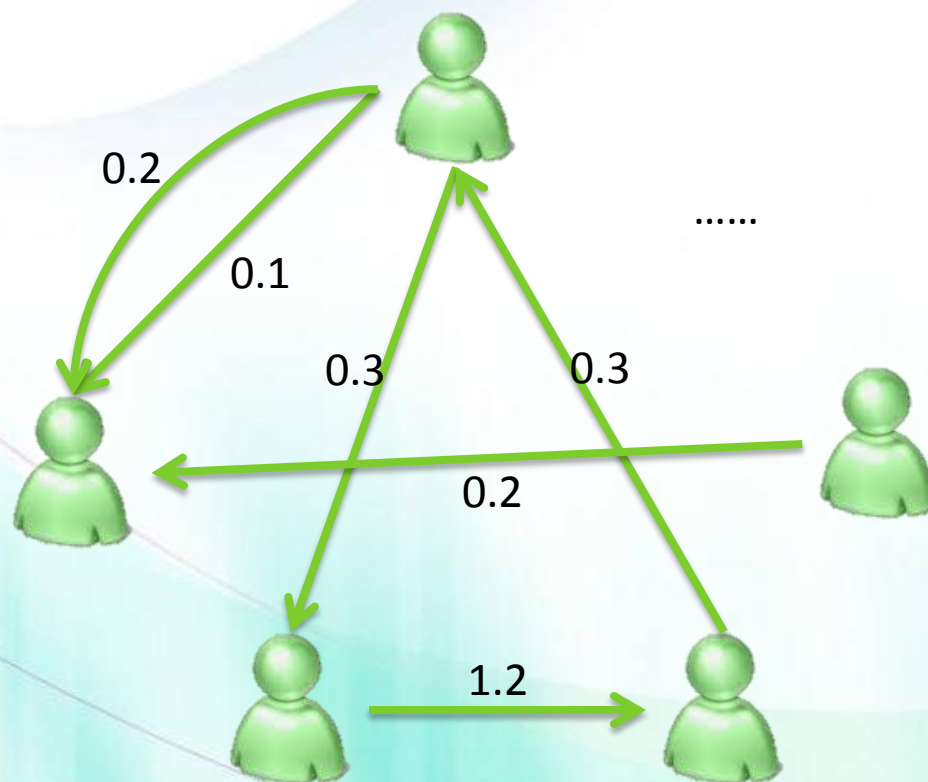


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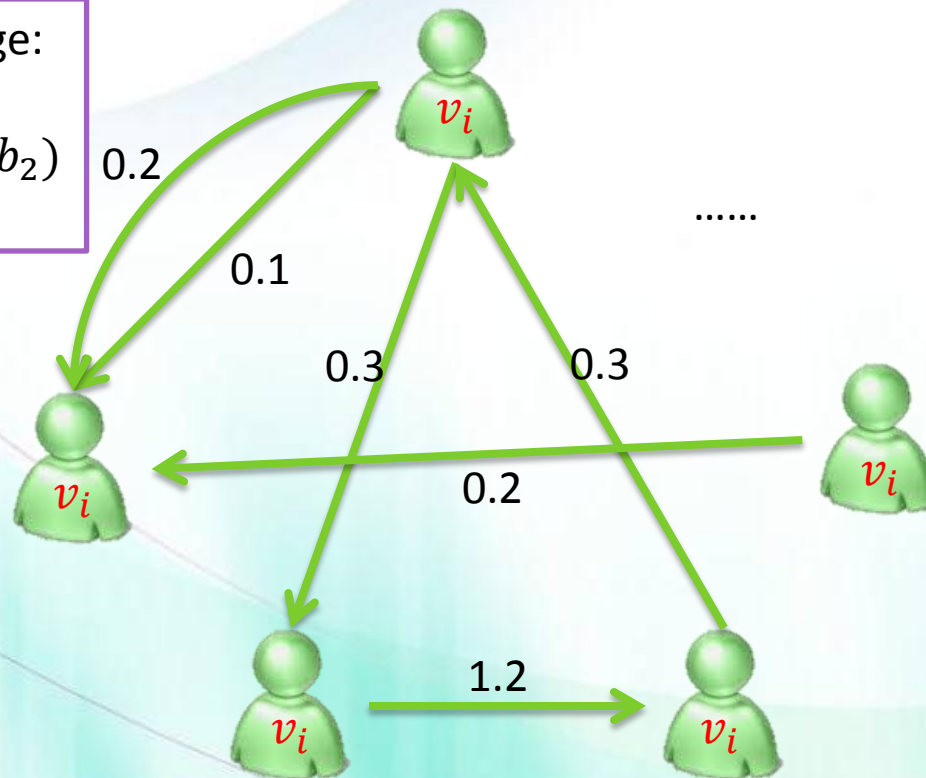
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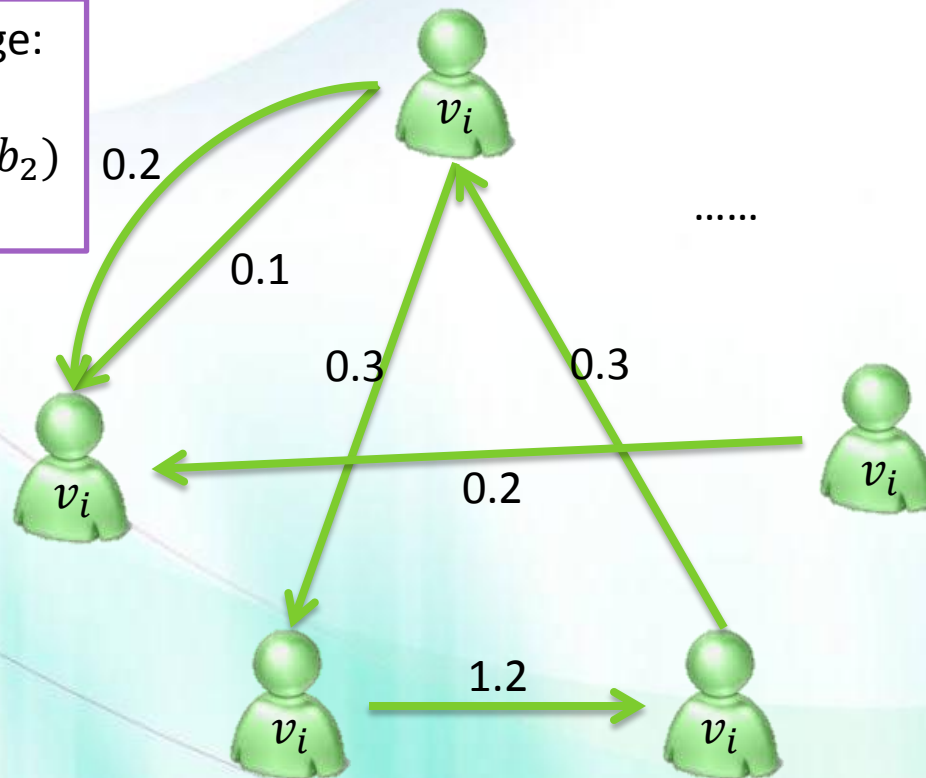
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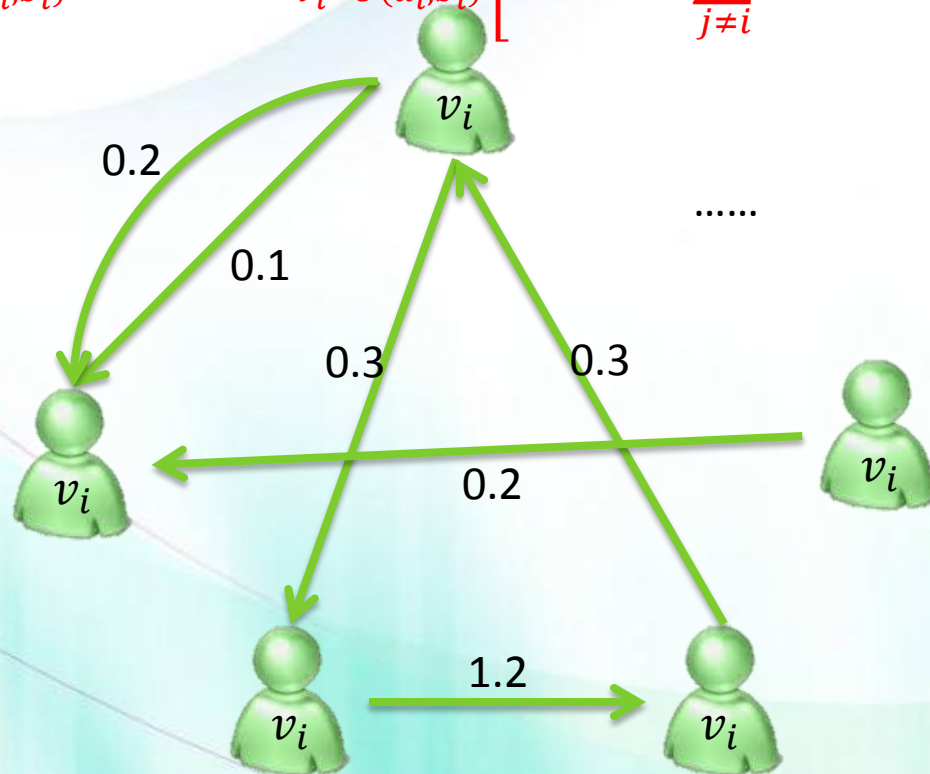
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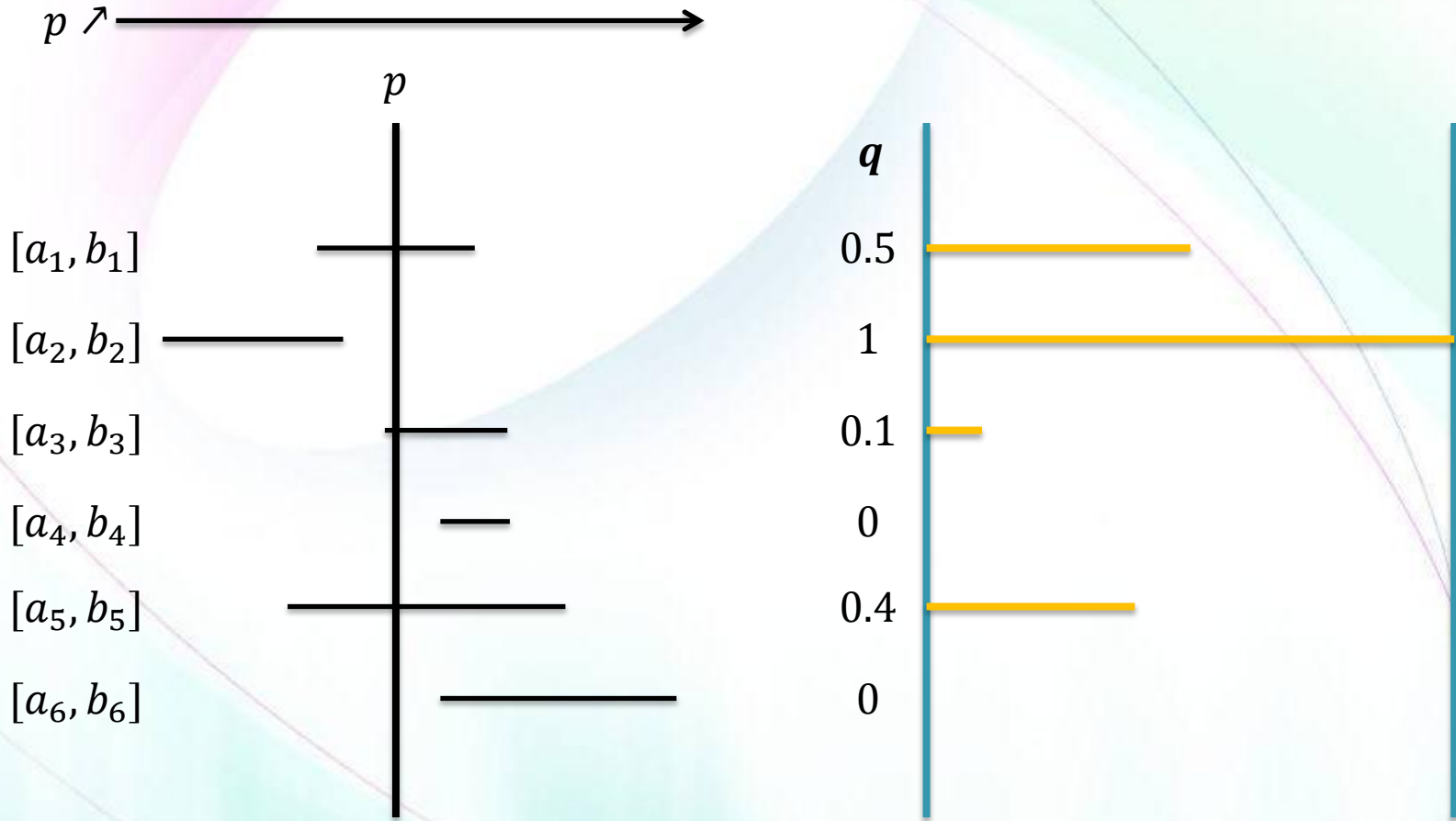
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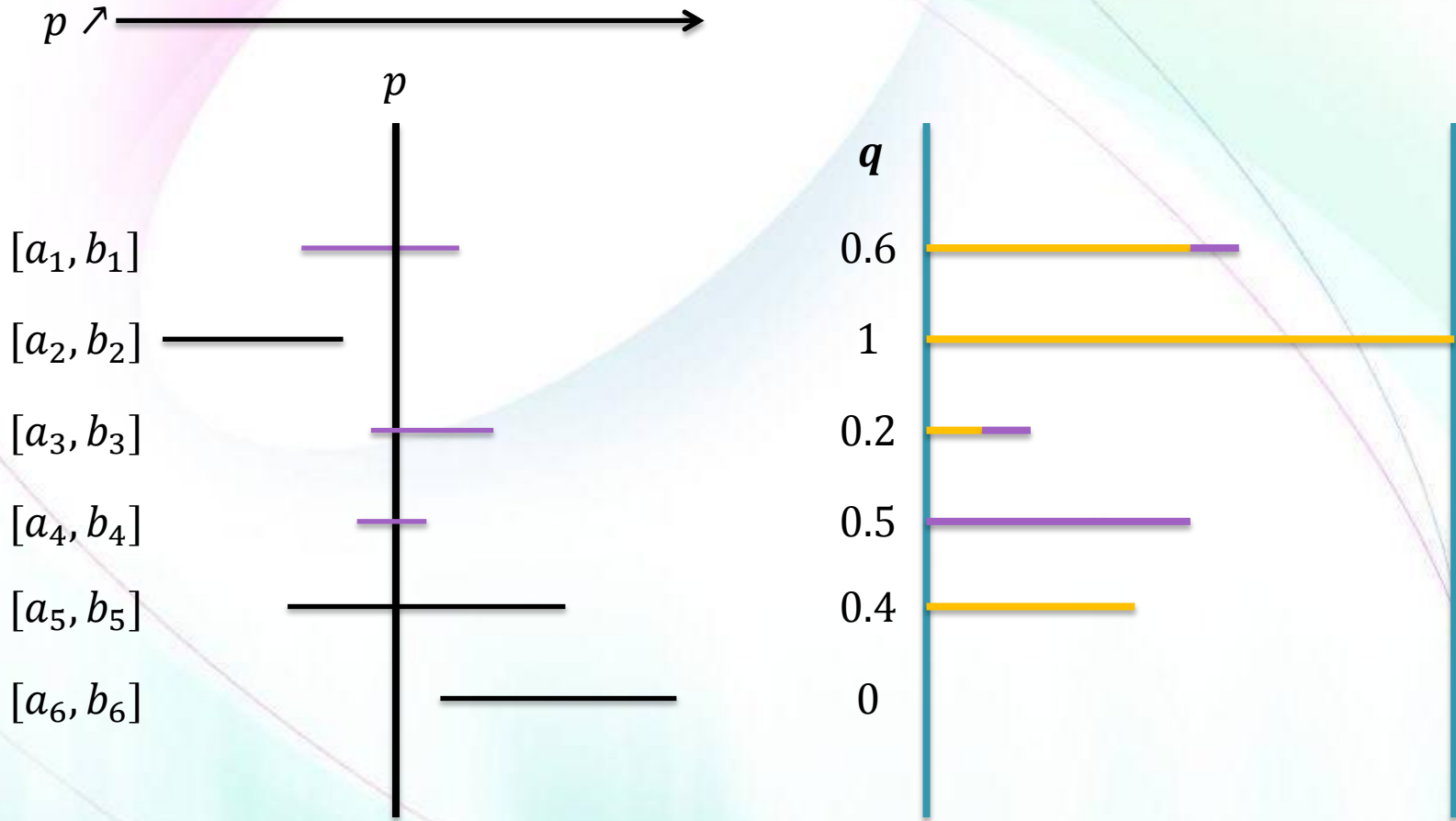
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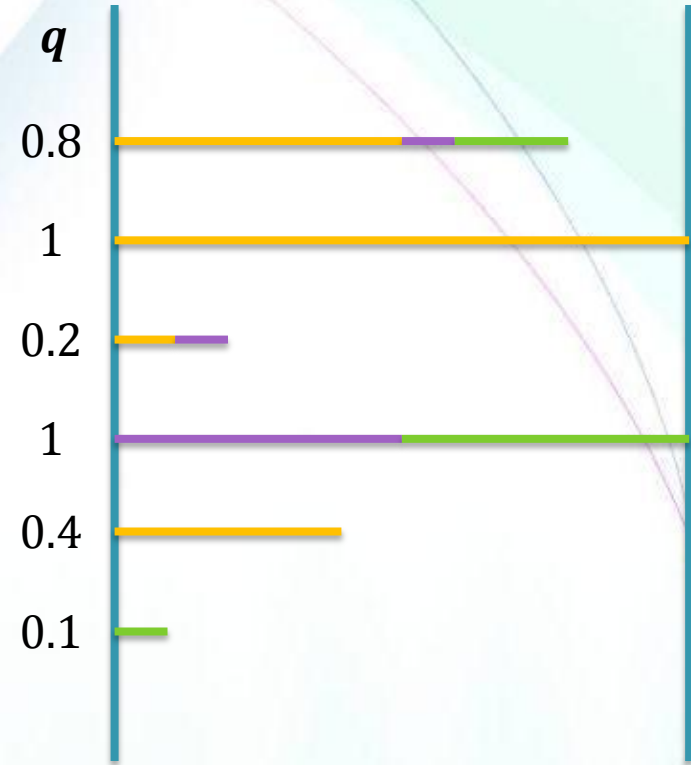
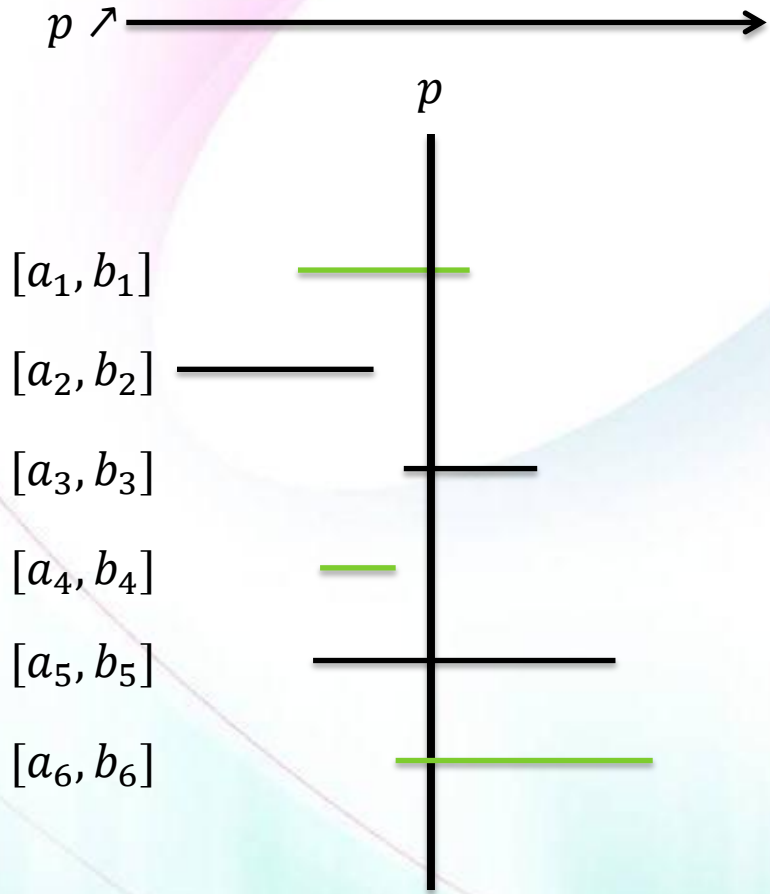
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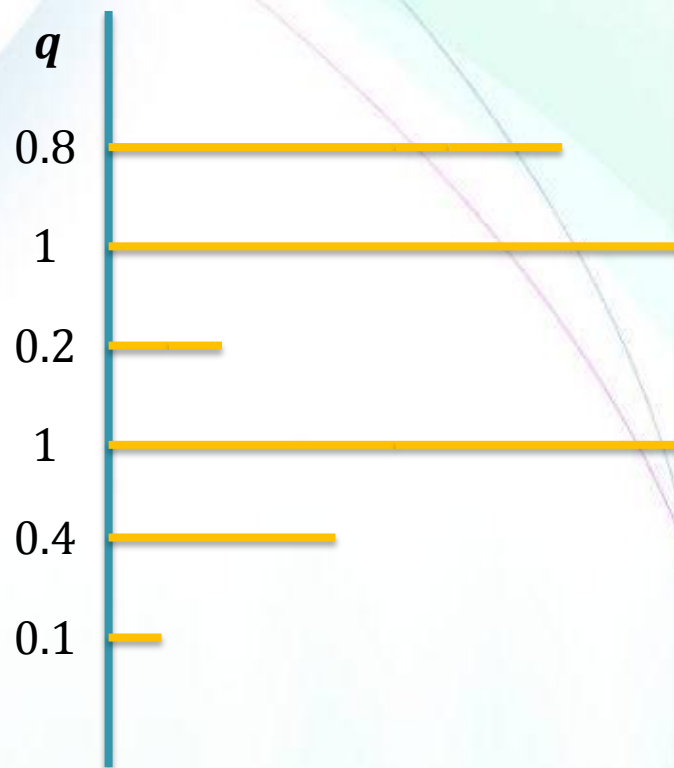
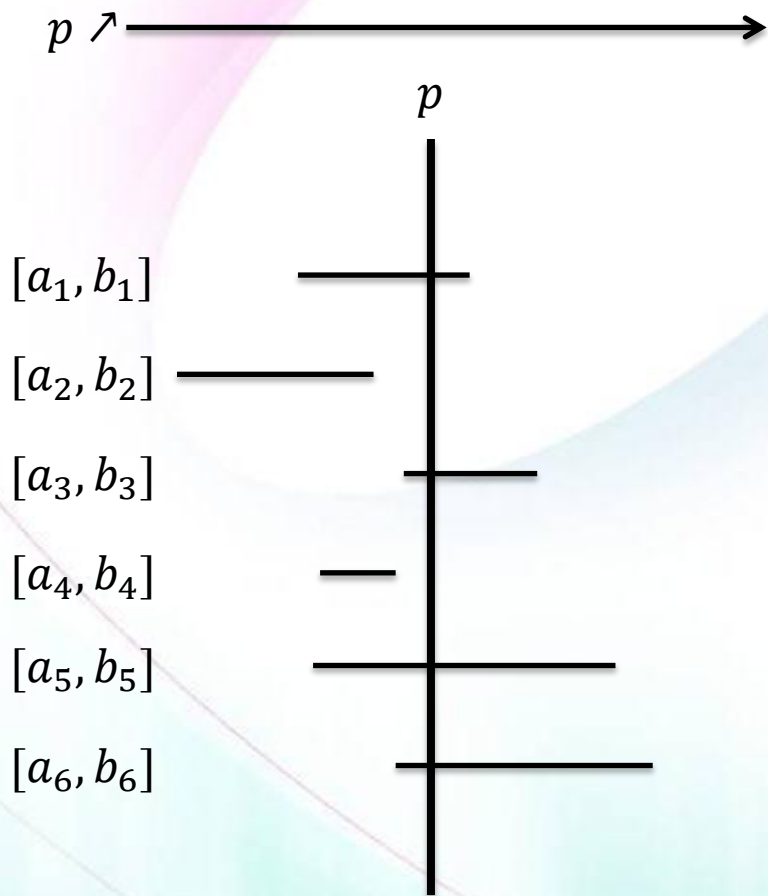
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称之为悲观均衡



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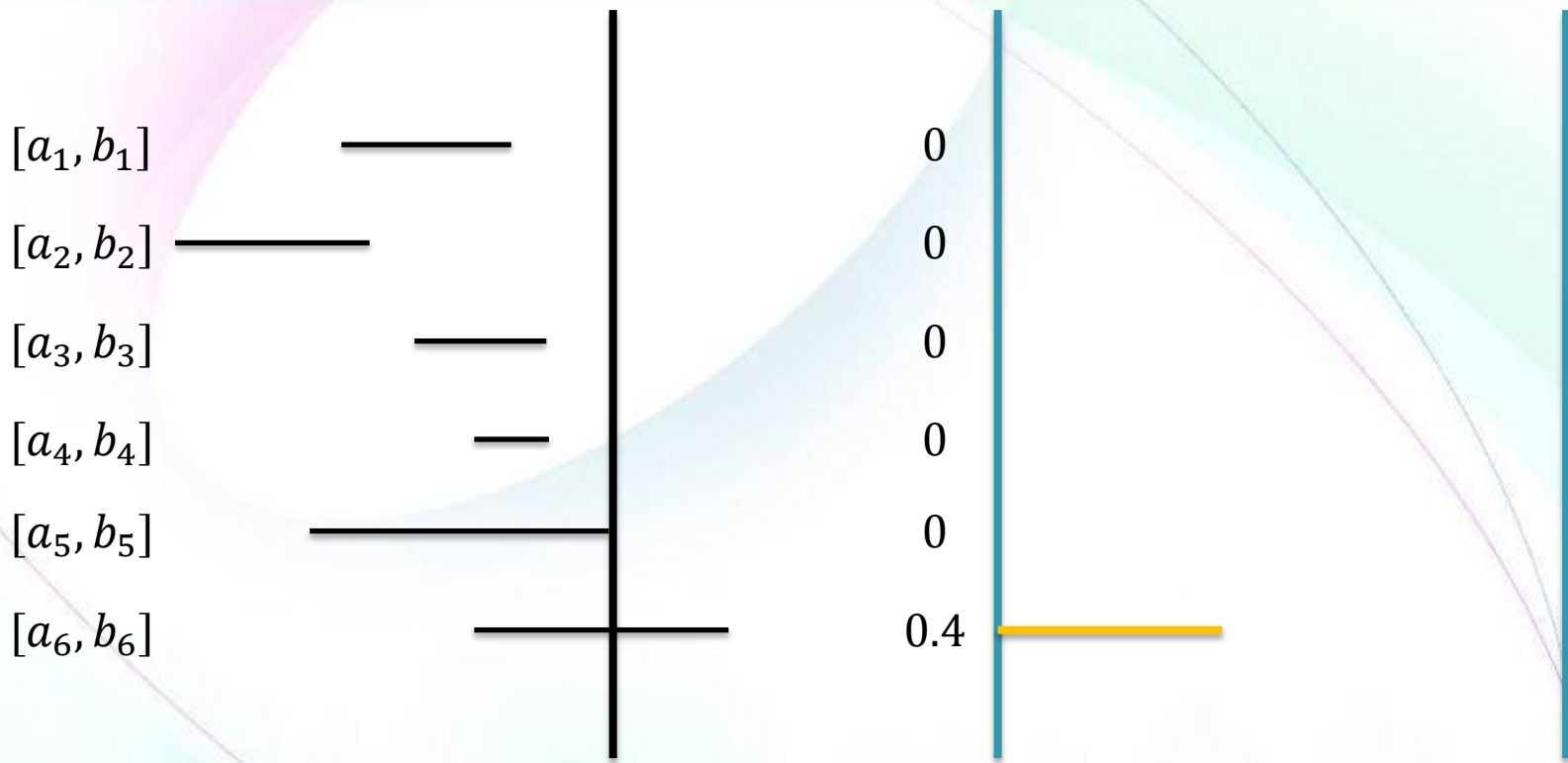
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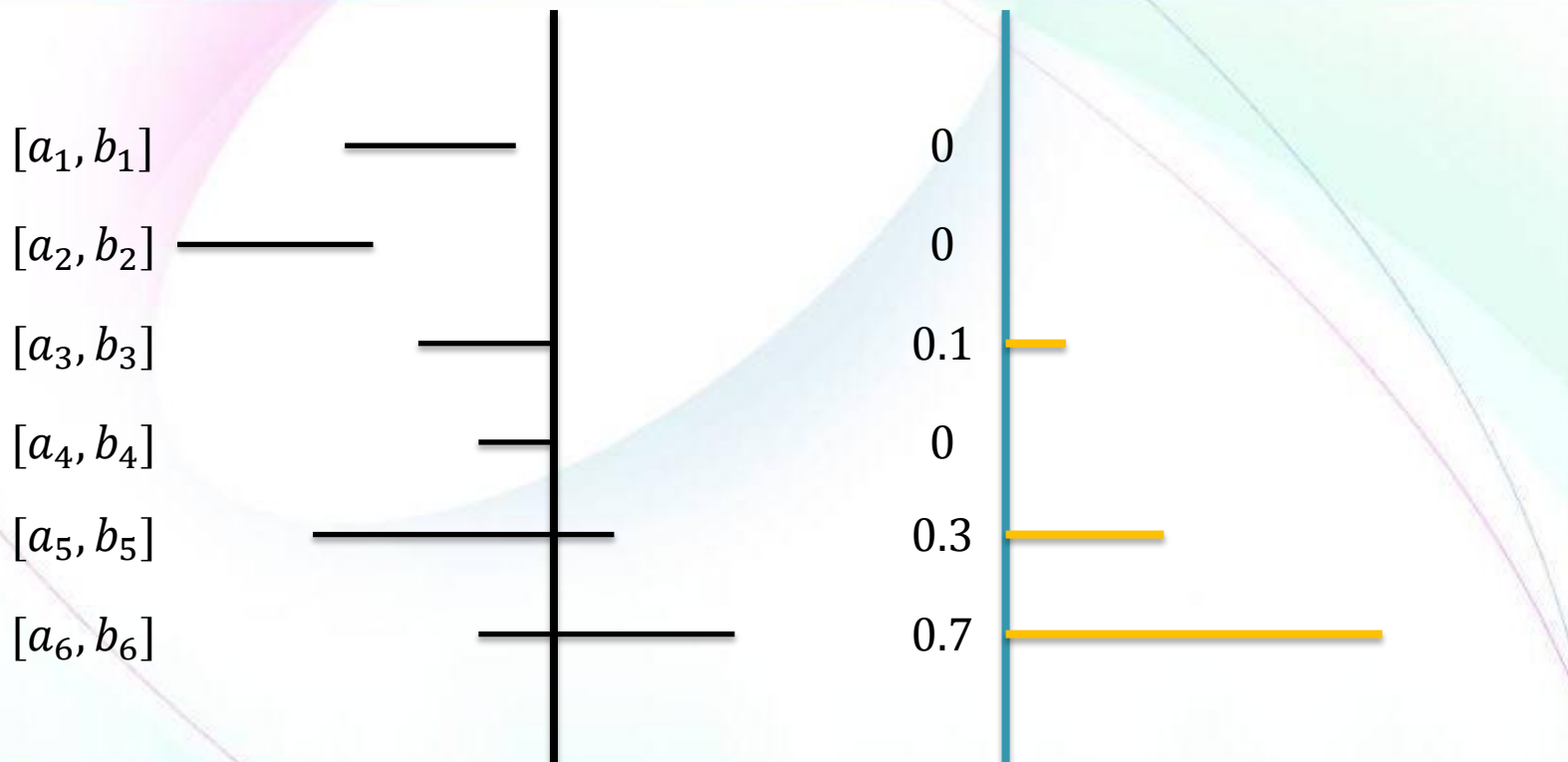
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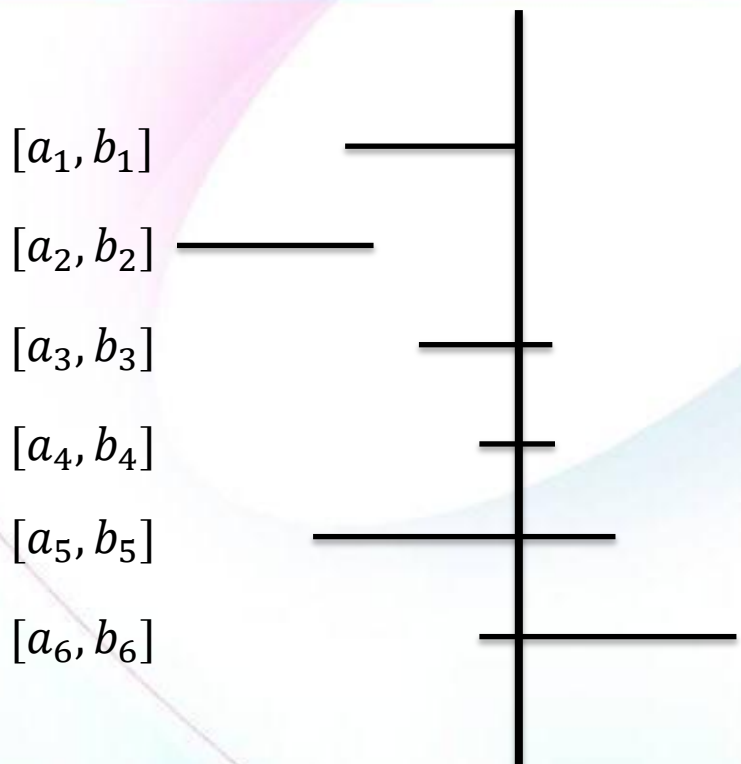
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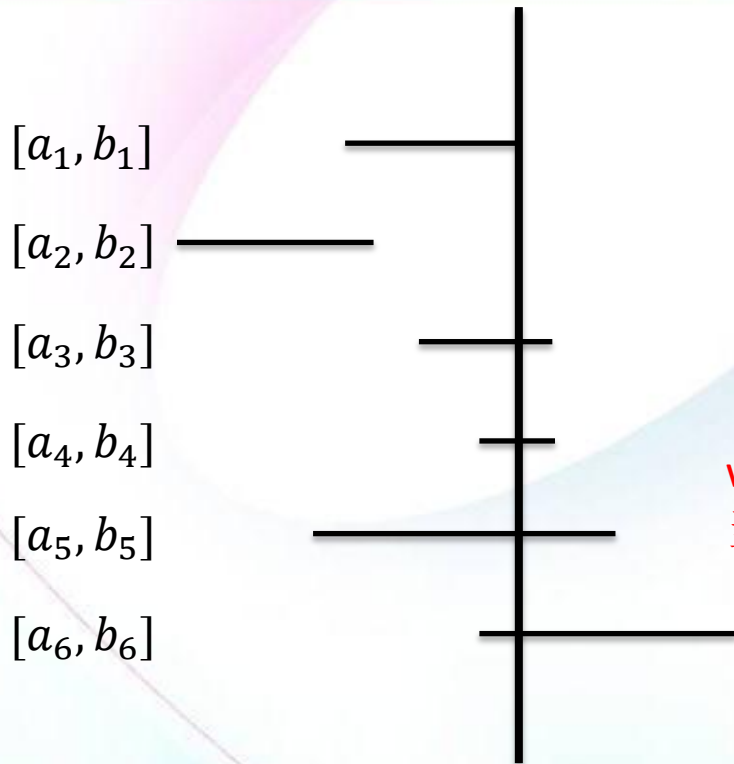
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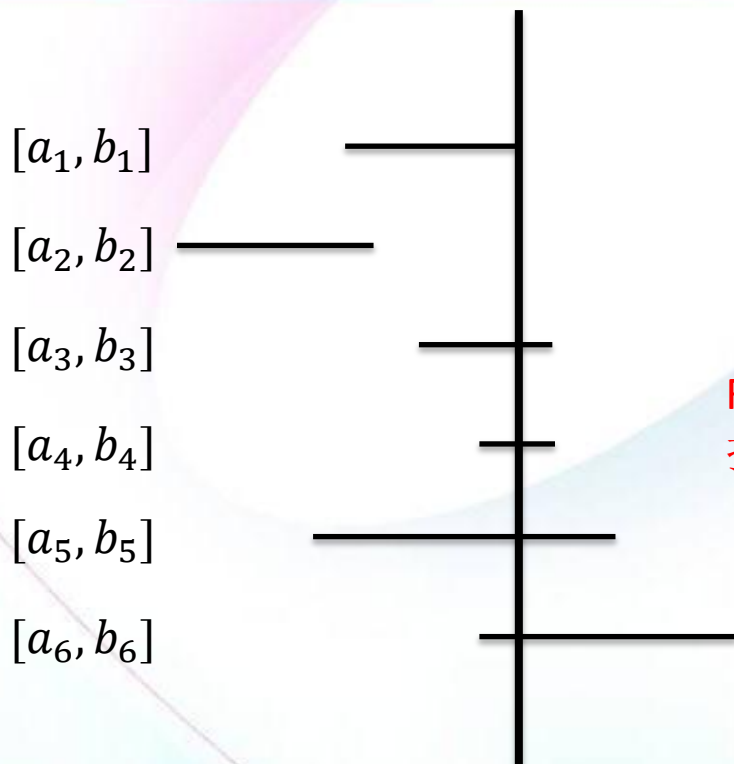


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when at least one eigenvalue of L is larger than 1 in norm
当矩阵 L 至少有一个模大于1的特征值



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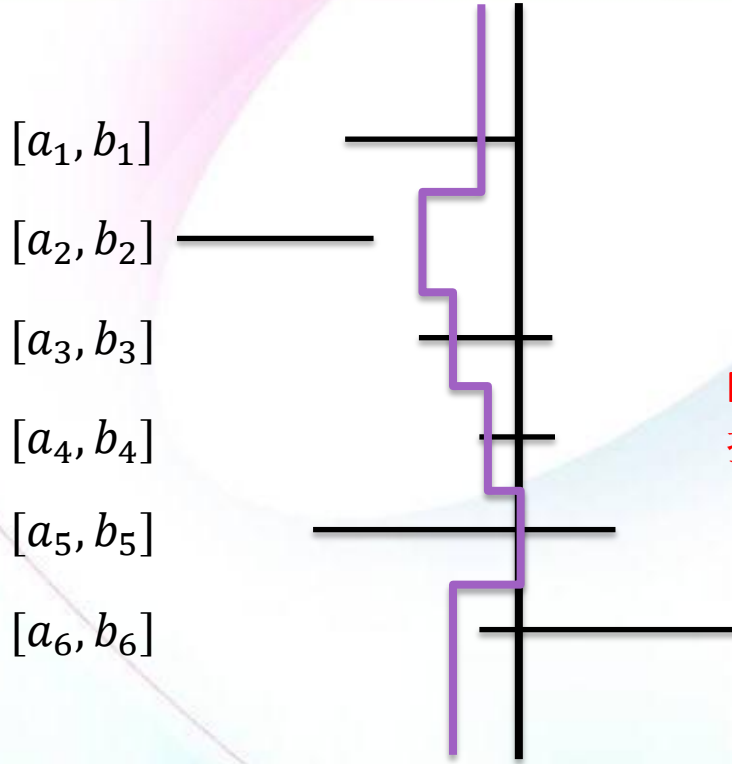
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- Formally introduced the rationality of buyers in the social network pricing problem.
在社交网络定价问题中，定义了买家的理性行为。
- Exactly solved two extreme equilibria for a uniform valuation case in polynomial time.
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- Further work see our working paper.
更多的信息参见我们的待投论文。

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