## EVOLUTION AND THE THEORY OF GAMES (Spring 2009) EXERCISES 20 - 23

- 20. Show that the asymmetric War of Attrition (WoA) does not have an ESS.
- 21. Who takes care of the kids? Suppose a male has two possible strategies: he can be *faithful* and help the female with taking care of the offspring, or he can *philander* and abandon the female right after mating. A female also has two possible strategies: she can be *coy* by demanding a long courtship period before mating or she can be *fast* by skipping the courtship. Philandering males and coy females don't get along and do not mate, but other combinations of males and females do mate. The reward of producing offspring is v. The cost of rearing the offspring is 2c, which is either shared by the parents if the male is faithful, or which is borne totally by the female otherwise. The cost of courtship is d to both the male and the female. Give the payoff matrix and analyze the game as an asymmetric game. Indicate in the (d/c, v/c) parameter plane which strategy combinations are evolutionarily stable.
- 22. Solve the iterated Hawk-Dove game for the strategies *Bully* (B) and *Retaliator* (R). Remember, *Bully* plays H in the first round, and in all subsequent rounds does the opposite of what his opponent just did (i.e., responds with H to D and with D to H). *Retaliator*, on the other hand, starts with D in the first round, and in all subsequent rounds does the same as what his opponent just did (i.e., responds with D to H). D and with D to D and with D to D and with D to H).
- 23. Solve the iterated Prisoner's Dilemma for the strategies *all-D* and *all-C-and-twice-sucker-quits* (i.e., the *all-C* player quits the game after having been defected twice).