

# EVOLUTION AND THE THEORY OF GAMES

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7. Show that, in a game with two pure strategies, the ESS conditions are equivalent to

$$\pi_1(x', x) < \pi_1(x, x)$$

or

$$\pi_1(x', x) = \pi_1(x, x) \text{ and } \pi_1(x', x') < \pi_1(x, x')$$

for every pure strategy  $x' \neq x$ .

8. Calculate all evolutionarily stable strategies (pure and mixed) for the Hawk-Dove game

	H	D
H	$\frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2}C, \frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2}C$	$R, 0$
D	$0, R$	$\frac{1}{2}R, \frac{1}{2}R$

for (a)  $V > C$ , (b)  $V = C$  and (c)  $V < C$ .

9. Extend the Hawk-Dove game with a third strategy called "Retaliator" (R) who plays Dove against Dove but Hawk against Hawk, and also Hawk against itself. Give the payoff matrix of the Hawk-Dove-Retaliator game and calculate all ESSs for (a)  $V > C$  and (c)  $V < C$ .

10. Extend the Hawk-Dove game with a third strategy called "Bully" (B) who plays Hawk against Dove but Dove against Hawk, and also Dove against itself. Give the payoff matrix of the Hawk-Dove-Bully game and calculate all ESSs for (a)  $V > C$  and (c)  $V < C$ .

11. Formulate and analyze the Retaliator-Bully game.

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**12.** Consider the Rock-Paper-Scissors game with the payoff matrix

	R	P	S
R	$-\varepsilon, -\varepsilon$	$-1, 1$	$1, -1$
P	$1, -1$	$-\varepsilon, -\varepsilon$	$-1, 1$
S	$-1, 1$	$1, -1$	$-\varepsilon, -\varepsilon$

for  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Show that  $x = (\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$  is an ESS. Are there any other ESSs?