

Reminder

- ▶ Course project progress report 2: come to OH for discussions!
- ▶ HW5 due 4/4
- ▶ PRA6 due 4/16

Artificial Intelligence Methods for Social Good

Lecture 21:

Case Study: AI for Infrastructure Security

17-537 (9-unit) and 17-737 (12-unit)

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Learning Objectives

- ▶ Describe the concept of
 - ▶ Dominant strategy
 - ▶ Stackelberg equilibrium
- ▶ Describe the Stackelberg Security Game (SSG) model
- ▶ Write down LP and MILP for solving a SSG
- ▶ For the airport protection problems, briefly describe
 - ▶ Significance/Motivation
 - ▶ Task being tackled, i.e., what is being solved/optimized
 - ▶ Model and method used to solve the problem
 - ▶ Evaluation process and criteria

Dominant Strategy

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- Not always exist

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s_i **weakly** dominates s'_i if $\forall s_{-i}, u_i(s_i, s_{-i}) \geq u_i(s'_i, s_{-i})$
and $\exists s_{-i}, u_i(s_i, s_{-i}) > u_i(s'_i, s_{-i})$

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Dominant Strategy Equilibrium or Dominant Strategy Solution

- ▶ Dominant strategy equilibrium/solution
 - ▶ Every player plays a dominant strategy
 - ▶ Focus on strategy profile for all players
 - ▶ Not always exist
 - ▶ Can be found through enumeration

Q: Is there a dominant strategy equilibrium in the following game?

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	c	d
a	2,1	4,0
b	1,0	3,2

Power of Commitment

- ▶ NE utility=(2,1)
- ▶ If leader (player 1) commits to playing b , then player has to play d , leading to a utility of 3 for leader
- ▶ If leader (player 1) commits to playing a and b uniformly randomly, then player still has to play d , leading to a utility of 3.5 for leader

		Player 2	
		c	d
Player 1	a	2,1	4,0
	b	1,0	3,2

Best Response Function

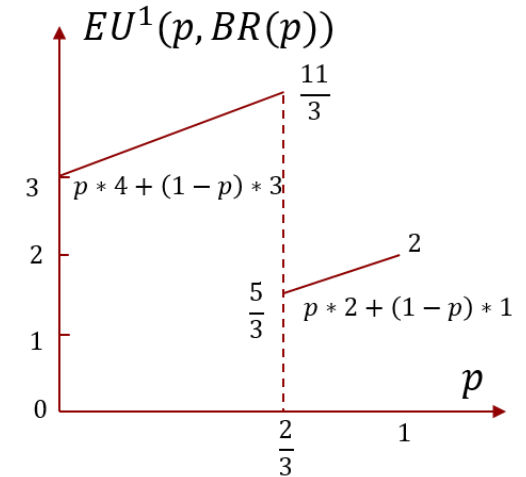
- ▶ Recall: Best response: Set of actions or strategies leading to highest expected utility given the strategies or actions of other players
 - ▶ $a_i^* \in BR(a_{-i})$ iff $\forall a_i \in A_i, u_i(a_i^*, a_{-i}) \geq u_i(a_i, a_{-i})$
 - ▶ $s_i^* \in BR(s_{-i})$ iff $\forall s_i \in S_i, u_i(s_i^*, s_{-i}) \geq u_i(s_i, s_{-i})$
- ▶ Best Response Function
 - ▶ A mapping from a strategy of one player to a strategy of another player in the best response set
 - ▶ $f: S_1 \rightarrow S_2$ is a best response function iff $u_2(s_1, f(s_1)) \geq u_2(s_1, s_2), \forall s_1 \in S_1, s_2 \in S_2$. Or equivalently, $u_2(s_1, f(s_1)) \geq u_2(s_1, a_2), \forall s_1 \in S_1, a_2 \in A_2$

Stackelberg Equilibrium

Player I		c	d
	a	2,1	4,0
	b	1,0	3,2

▶ Stackelberg Equilibrium

- ▶ Focus on strategy profile for all players
- ▶ Follower responds according a best response function
- ▶ $(s_1, f(s_1))$ is a Stackelberg Equilibrium iff
 - ▶ 1) f is a best response function
 - ▶ 2) $u_1(s_1, f(s_1)) \geq u_1(s'_1, f(s'_1)), \forall s'_1 \in S_1$
- ▶ There may exist many Stackelberg Equilibria due to different best response functions. For some best response functions, the Stackelberg Equilibrium may not exist



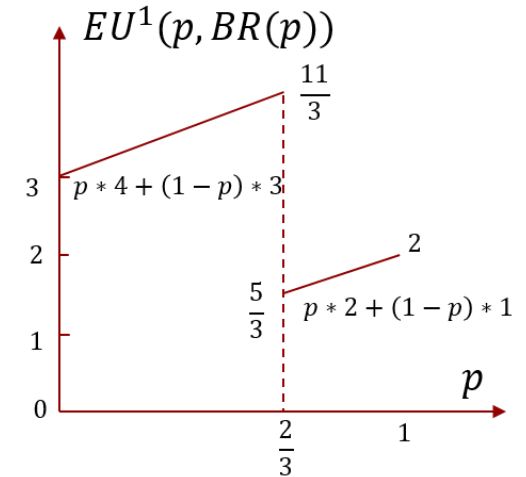
If $f\left(p = \frac{2}{3}\right) = d$, then SE is $s_1 = \left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right), s_2 = (0, 1)$
 If $f\left(p = \frac{2}{3}\right) = c$, then SE does not exist

Poll 1

Player I		c	d
	a	2,1	4,0
	b	1,0	3,2

▶ If the best response function break tie uniform randomly, does Stackelberg Equilibrium exist in this game?

- ▶ A: Yes
- ▶ B: No
- ▶ C: I don't know



Strong Stackelberg Equilibrium

- ▶ Strong Stackelberg Equilibrium (SSE)
 - ▶ Follower breaks tie in favor of the leader
 - ▶ $(s_1, f(s_1))$ is a Strong Stackelberg Equilibrium iff
 - ▶ 1) f is a best response function
 - ▶ 2) $f(s) \in \operatorname{argmax}_{s_2 \in BR(s)} u_1(s, s_2)$
 - ▶ 3) $u_1(s_1, f(s_1)) \geq u_1(s'_1, f(s'_1)), \forall s'_1 \in S_1$
 - ▶ SSE always exist in two-player finite games

Strong Stackelberg Equilibrium

- ▶ Remarks about Strong Stackelberg Equilibrium (SSE)
 - ▶ There may exist many SSEs but the leader's utility is the same in all these equilibria
 - ▶ Leader can induce the follower to break tie in favor of the leader by perturbing the strategy in the right direction
 - ▶ SSE coincide with minmax/maxmin/NE in two-player zero-sum finite games

Security Challenges



Ansbach attack

A suicide bomb injured at least 12 in Germany's Ansbach, near Nuremberg, on July 24. This is the fourth violent incident in Germany in a week.



Source: Reuters

J. Wu, 25/07/2016



Security Challenges



Physical Infrastructure



Transportation Networks



Cyber Systems



Environmental Resources



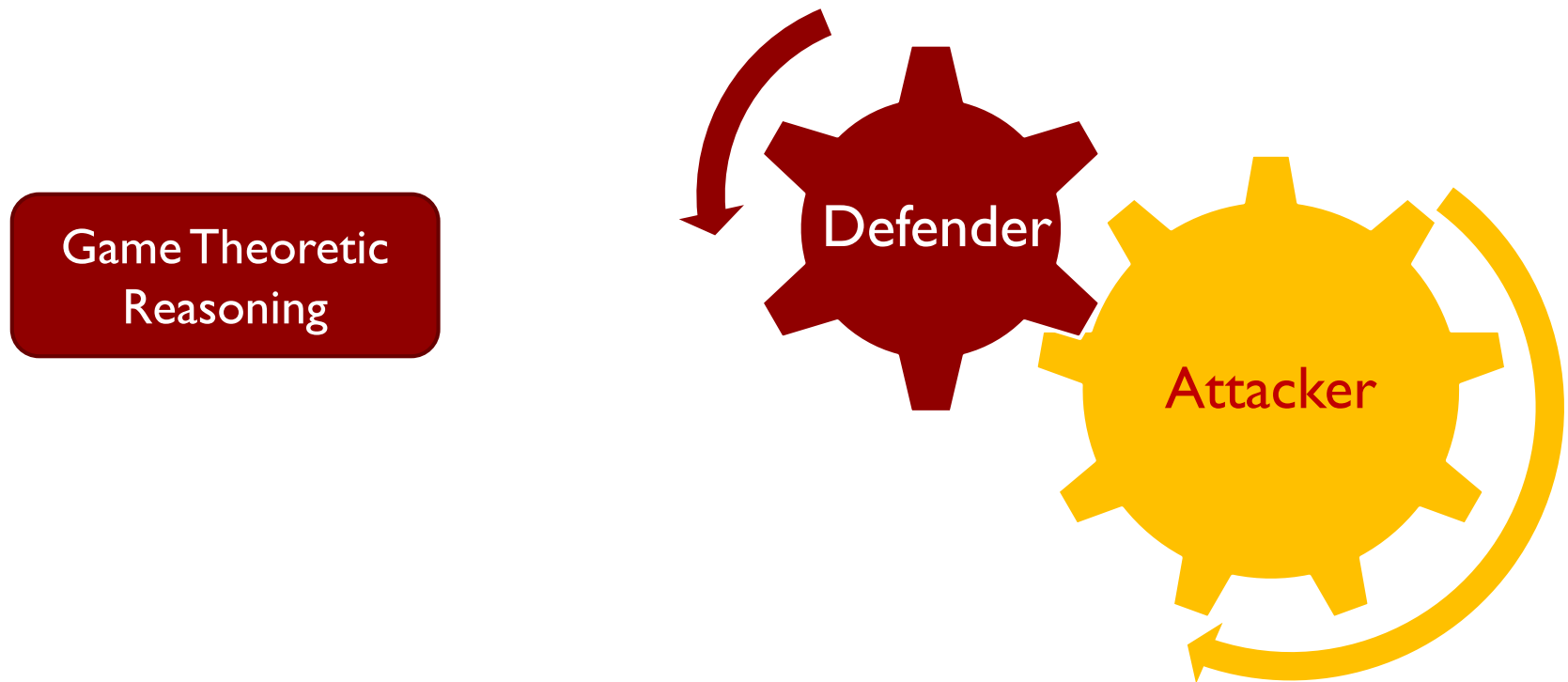
Endangered Wildlife



Fisheries

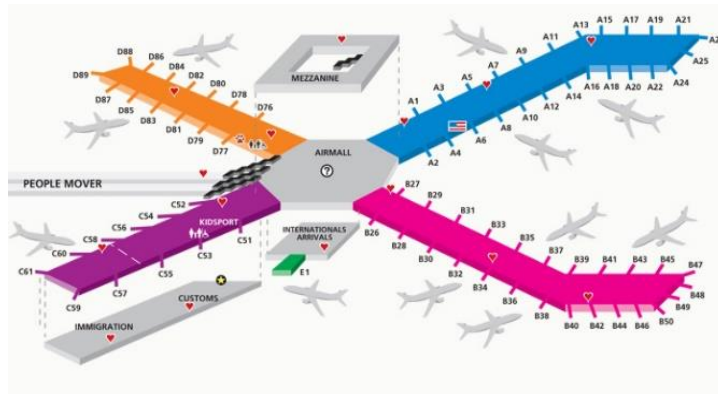
Security Challenges

- ▶ Improve tactics of patrol, inspection, screening etc



Protect Airports

- ▶ Limited resource allocation
- ▶ Adversary surveillance



Adversary

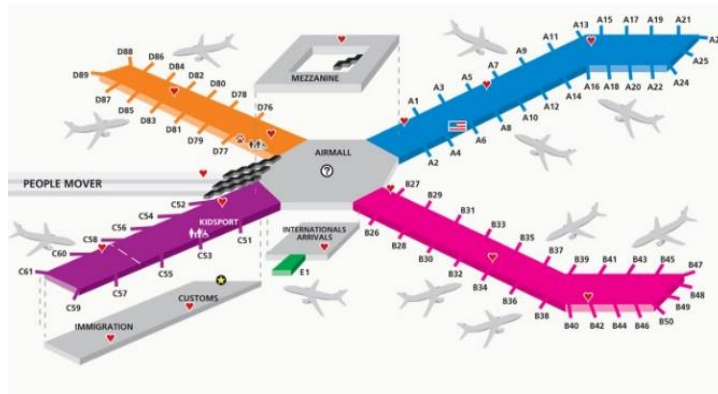


Defender

	Target #1	Target #2
Target #1	5, -3	-1, 1
Target #2	-5, 4	2, -1

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Protect Airports

- ▶ Randomization make defender unpredictable
- ▶ Stackelberg game
 - ▶ Leader: Defender; Commits to mixed strategy
 - ▶ Follower: Adversary; Conduct surveillance and best responds



Defender

55.6%

44.4%

Adversary




	Target #1	Target #2
Target #1	5, -3	-1, 1
Target #2	-5, 4	2, -1



Stackelberg Security Game (SSG)

- ▶ Leader: defender; Follower: attacker
- ▶ Defender allocate K resources to protect N targets
- ▶ Each target is associated with 4 values: $R_i^d, P_i^d, R_i^a, P_i^a$
 - ▶ If attacker attacks target i and succeeds: attacker gets R_i^a and defender gets P_i^d
 - ▶ If attacker attacks target i and fails: attacker gets $P_i^a (\leq R_i^a)$ and defender gets $R_i^d (\geq P_i^d)$

		Adversary		
		T1	T2	T3
Defender	T1	5, -3	-1, 1	
	T2	-5, 4	2, -1	
	T3			



	T1	T2	T3
R_i^d			3
P_i^d			-2
R_i^a			6
P_i^a			-2

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		Adversary						
		T1	T2	T3	T1 T2		T3	
Defender	T1	5, -3	-1, 1	-2, 6	R_i^d	5	2	3
	T2	-5, 4	2, -1	-2, 6	P_i^d	-5	-1	-2
	T3	-5, 4	-1, 1	3, -2	R_i^a	4	1	6
					P_i^a	-3	-1	-2

Poll 2

- ▶ Given a Stackelberg Security game with N targets, if we use a bimatrix to represent the payoffs, how many numbers do we need? If we use the penalty/reward for defender/attacker to represent the payoffs, how many numbers do we need?
 - ▶ A: $N^2, 4N$
 - ▶ B: N^2, N^2
 - ▶ C: $4N, 4N$
 - ▶ D: $4N, N^2$
 - ▶ E: None of the above
 - ▶ F: I don't know

Poll 3

- ▶ Let c_i be the probability the defender will protect target i in a Stackelberg security game, which of the following are the defender's expected utility when attacker attacks target i ?
 - ▶ A: $c_i P_i^a + (1 - c_i) R_i^a$
 - ▶ B: $c_i R_i^d + (1 - c_i) P_i^d$
 - ▶ C: $P_i^d + c_i (R_i^d - P_i^d)$
 - ▶ D: $R_i^a + c_i (P_i^a - R_i^a)$
 - ▶ E: None of the above
 - ▶ F: I don't know

Compute SSE in SSG

$$AttEU(i) = c_i P_i^a + (1 - c_i) R_i^a$$

$$DefEU(i) = c_i R_i^d + (1 - c_i) P_i^d$$

▶ Strong Stackelberg Equilibrium

- ▶ Attacker break tie in favor of defender
- ▶ $AttEU(1) = 0.556 * (-3) + 0.444 * 4 = 0.11$
- ▶ $AttEU(2) = 0.556 * 1 + 0.444 * (-1) = 0.11$
- ▶ $DefEU(1) = 0.556 * 5 + 0.444 * (-5) = 0.56$
- ▶ $DefEU(2) = 0.556 * (-1) + 0.444 * 2 = 0.332$
- ▶ Equilibrium: $DefStrat = (0.556, 0.444)$, $AttStrat = (1, 0)$



Adversary



Defender

		Target #1	Target #2
Target #1	55.6%	5, -3	-1, 1
Target #2	44.4%	-5, 4	2, -1

Computing SSE

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▶ General-sum

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- ▶ One LP for each target: Assume attacks target i^*

- ▶ Choose the solution of the LP with the highest optimal value

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$$\begin{aligned}\max_c & DefEU(i^*) \\ \text{s.t.} & AttEU(i^*) \geq AttEU(i), \forall i = 1 \dots N \\ & \sum_i c_i \leq 1 \\ & c_i \in [0,1]\end{aligned}$$

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► General-sum

► MILP

- Let $q_i \in \{0,1\}$ to indicate whether attacker attacks target i
- Let M be a large constant, say 10^5

$$\begin{aligned}& \max_{\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{q}, v} \sum_i DefEU(i) q_i \\& \text{s.t. } 0 \leq v - AttEU(i) \leq (1 - q_i) M, \forall i \\& \sum_i c_i \leq 1 \\& \sum_i q_i = 1 \\& c_i \in [0,1], q_i \in \{0,1\}\end{aligned}$$

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- ▶ Zero-sum
 - ▶ Single LP
 - ▶ SSE=NE=Minimax=Maximin

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{c,v} v \\ \text{s.t. } & v \geq AttEU(i), \forall i = 1 \dots N \\ & \sum_i c_i \leq 1 \\ & c_i \in [0,1] \end{aligned}$$

ARMOR: Optimizing Security Resource Allocation [2007]

First application: Computational game theory for operational security



January 2009

- January 3rd
- January 9th
- January 10th
- January 12th
- January 17th
- January 22nd

Loaded 9/mm pistol

16-handguns,

1000 rounds of ammo

Two unloaded shotguns

Loaded 22/cal rifle

Loaded 9/mm pistol

Unloaded 9/mm pistol

ARMOR for AIRPORT SECURITY at LAX [2008]

Congressional Subcommittee Hearings



**Commendations
City of Los Angeles**



**Erroll Southern testimony
Congressional subcommittee**



ARMOR...throws a digital cloak of invisibility....

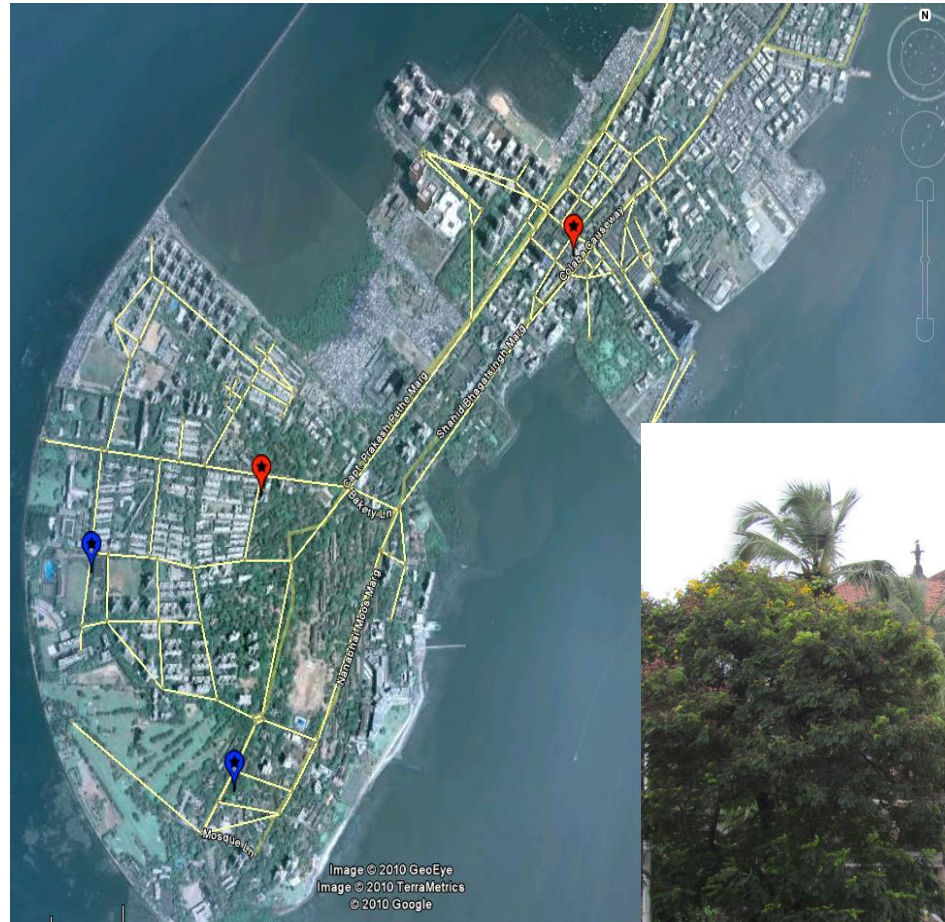
Compute optimal defender strategy

- ▶ Polynomial time solvable in games with finite actions and simple structures [Conitzer06]
- ▶ NP-Hard in general settings [Korzhyk10]
- ▶ $SSE=NE$ for zero-sum games, $SSE\subset NE$ for games with special properties [Yin10]

- ▶ Research Challenges
 - ▶ Massive scale games with constraints
 - ▶ Plan/reason under uncertainty
 - ▶ Repeated interaction

Challenge: Scheduling Constraints and Scalability

► Mumbai Police Checkpoints

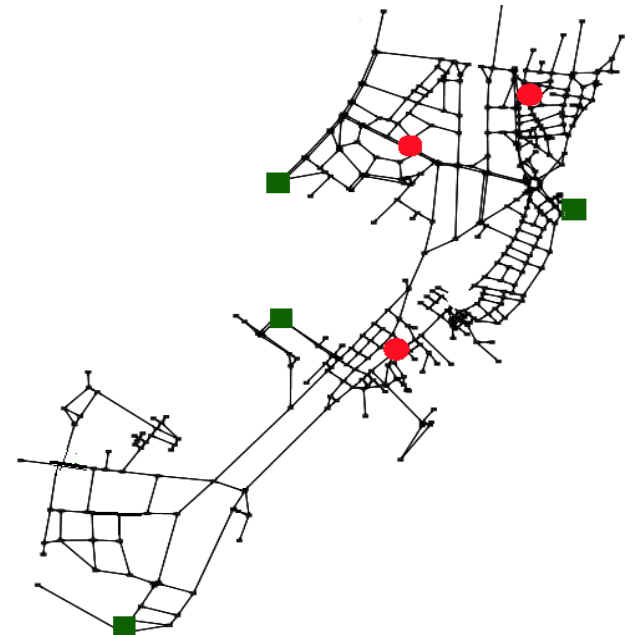


Challenge: Scheduling Constraints and Scalability

- ▶ Defender: Choose K checkpoints
- ▶ Attacker: Choose a target node (red) and a path from an entry node (green) to the target node
- ▶ Exponentially many pure strategies

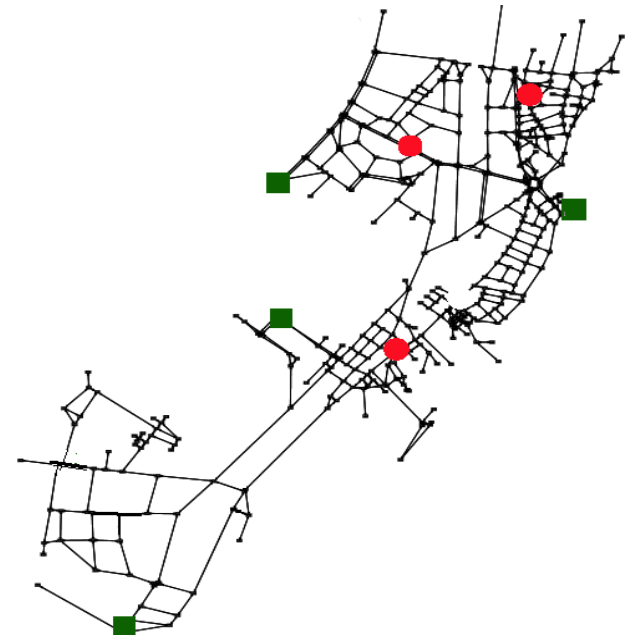
Fully connected road network
20 intersections, 190 roads
5 resources, 1 target
~ 2 billion defender allocations
6.6 quintillion (10^{18}) attacker paths

Real Problem:
~500 intersections
~2000 roads



Double Oracle

- ▶ Intuition: No need to consider all possible pure strategies
- ▶ Start with a small set of pure strategies
- ▶ Iteratively add new pure strategies to be considered
- ▶ Provably converge to equilibrium in zero-sum games



Payoff Matrix (When Zero-Sum)

		Attacker Paths				
		A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	\dots
Defender Allocations	X_1 :	-5	-8	0	-9	\dots
	X_2 :	0	-8	-15	0	\dots
	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots

Double Oracle Algorithm

$$X_1 : \begin{array}{cc} A_1 & A_2 \\ [-5 & -8] \end{array}$$

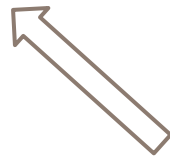
Minimax

$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a} \rangle$



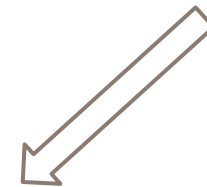
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Defender



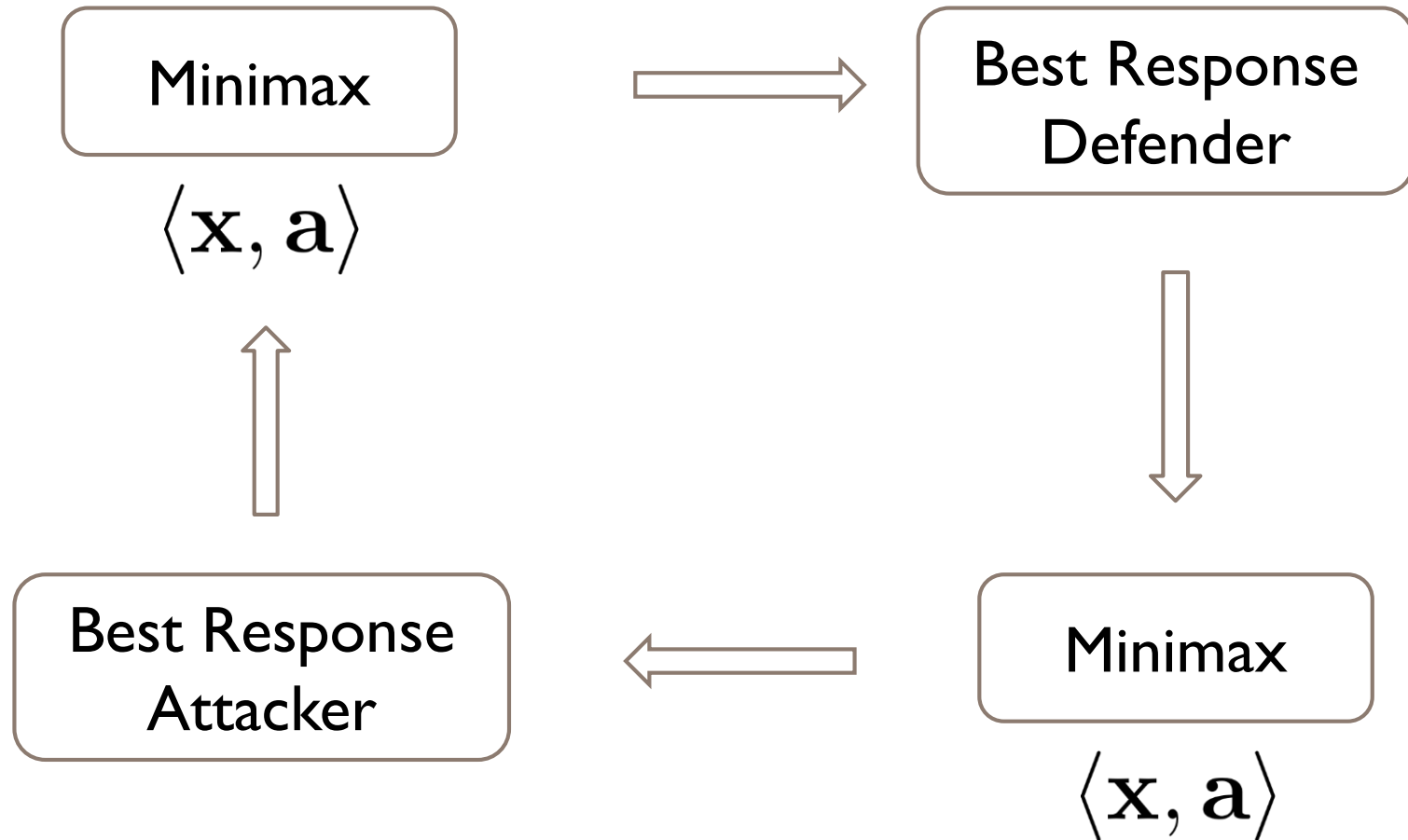
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Best Response
Attacker

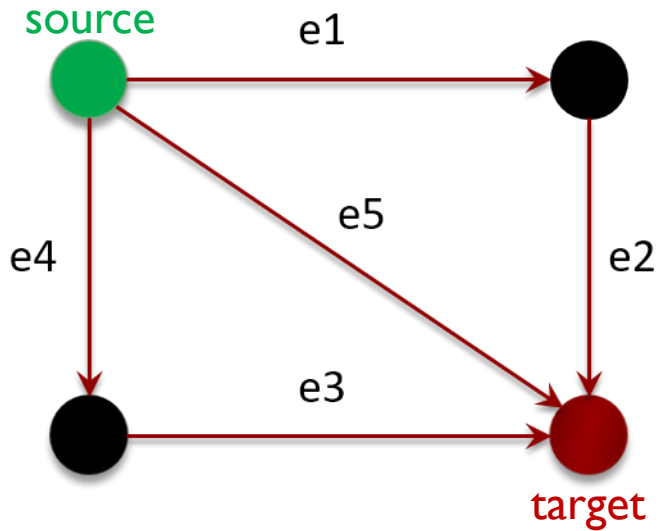


[McMahan et. al 2003]

Variation



Example



I Defender Resource

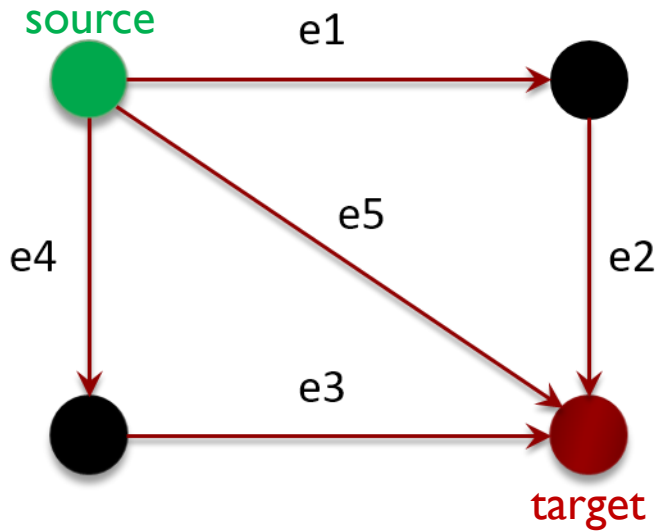
	Defender Payoff	Attacker Payoff
Attack Successful	-T	T
Attack Failure	0	0

Attacker Paths

	s->e1->e2->t	s->e5->t	s->e4->e3->t
e1			
e2			
e3			
e4			
e5			

Defender Allocations

Example



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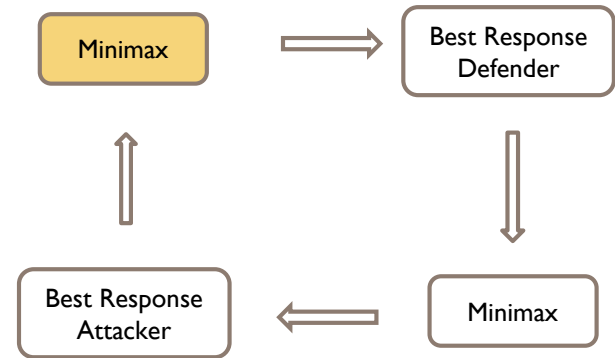
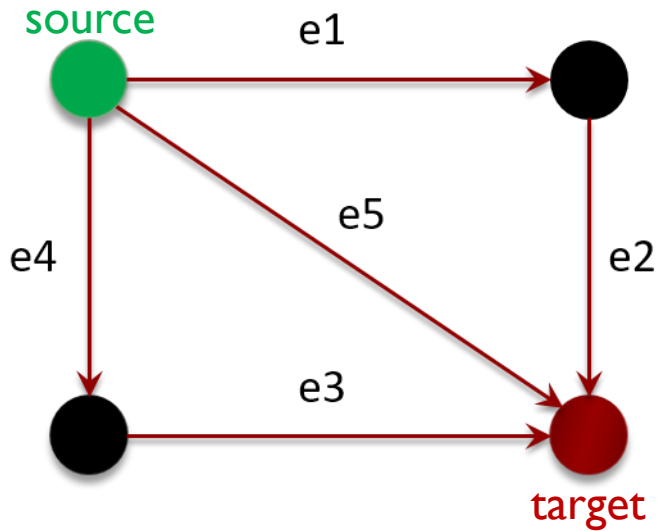
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e1		-T, T	-T, T
e2		-T, T	-T, T
e3	-T, T	-T, T	
e4	-T, T	-T, T	
e5	-T, T		-T, T

Defender Allocations

Example



Attacker Paths

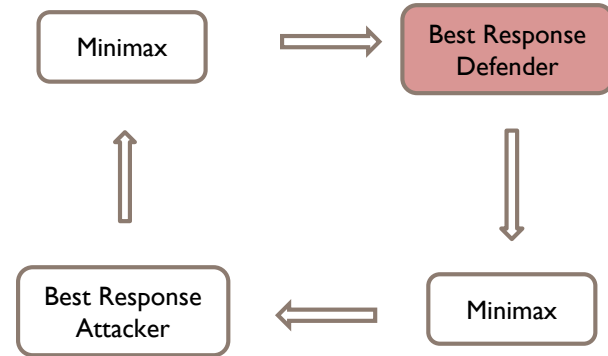
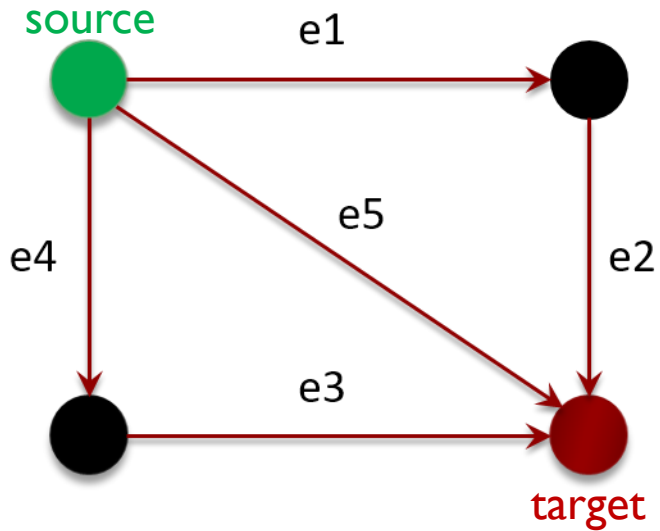
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e1	0,0

Defender Allocations

Minimax strategy:
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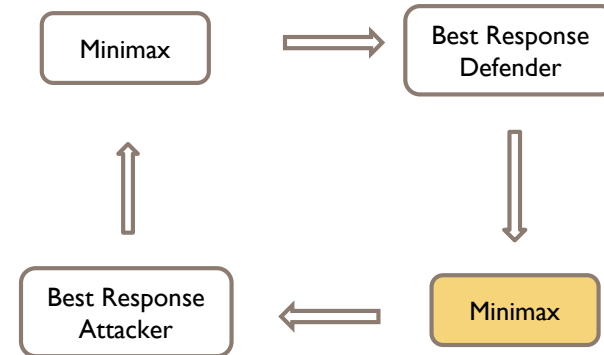
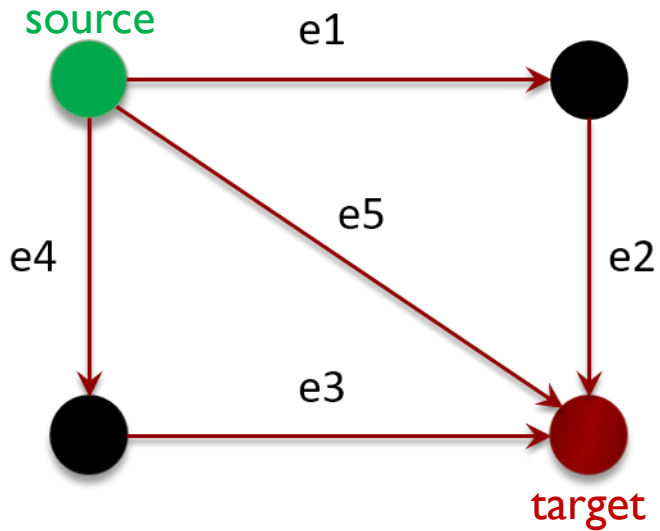
Attacker Paths

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Defender Allocations

Defender's best response: e1 or e2
 Best response already in the table, no change

Example



Attacker Paths

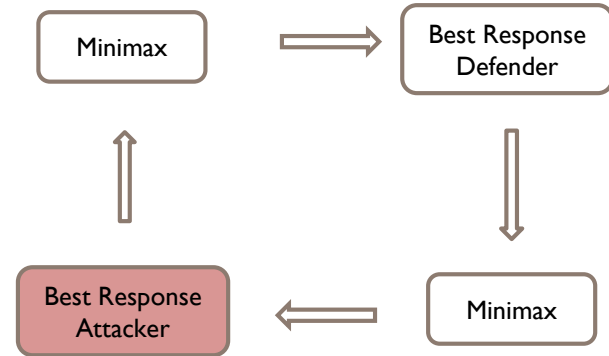
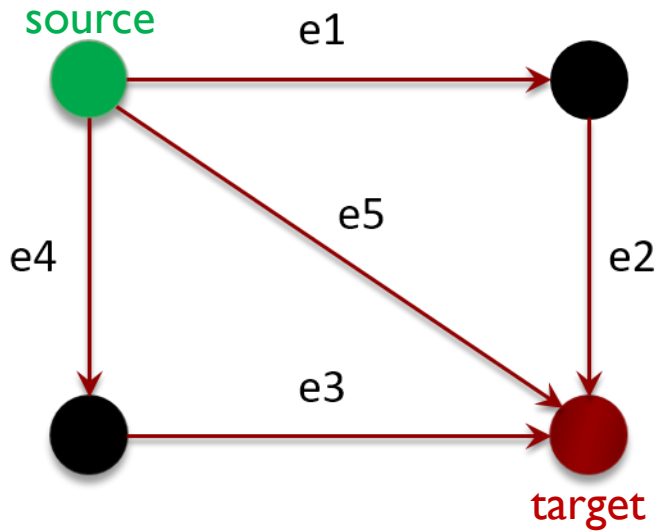
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e1	0,0

Defender
Allocations

Minimax strategy: no change

Example

Minimax strategy:
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 Attacker Strategy: [1.0]



Attacker Paths

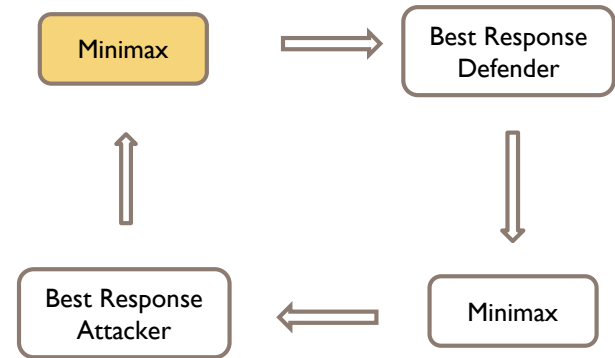
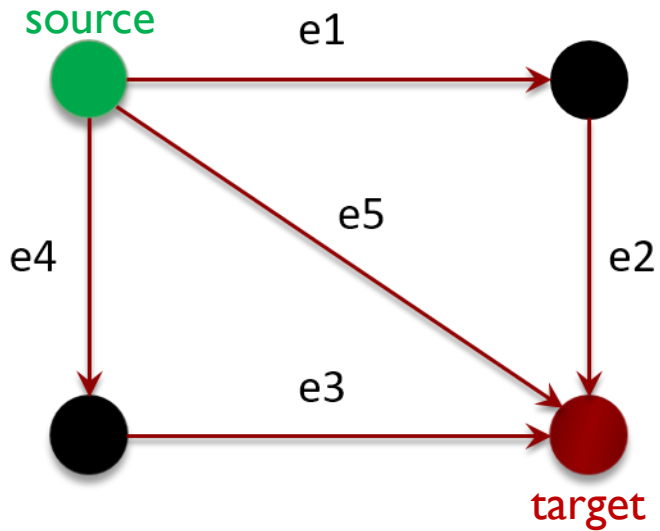
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Defender Allocations

Attacker's best response: s->e4->e3->t or s->e5->t

Pick an arbitrary one, say s->e4->e3->t

Example



Attacker Paths

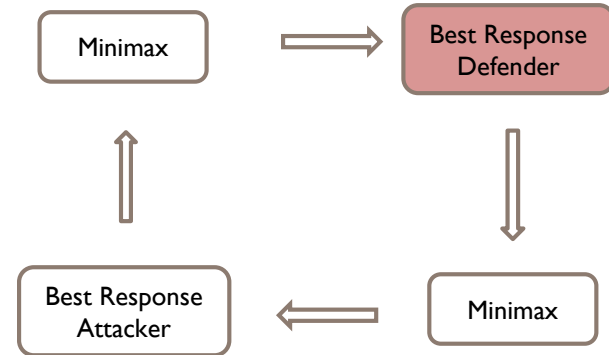
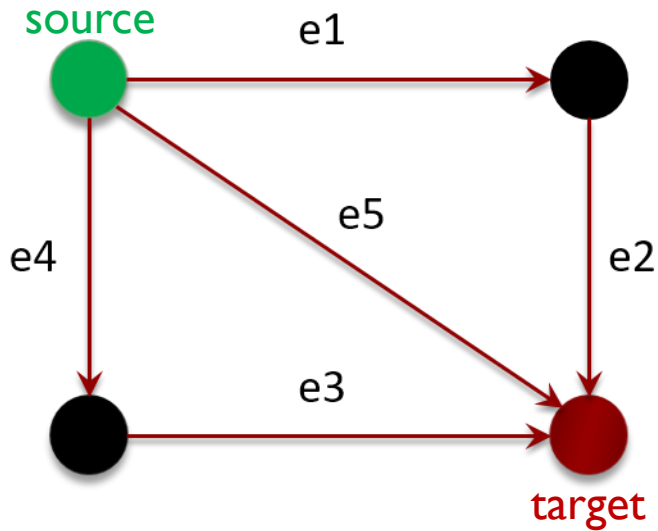
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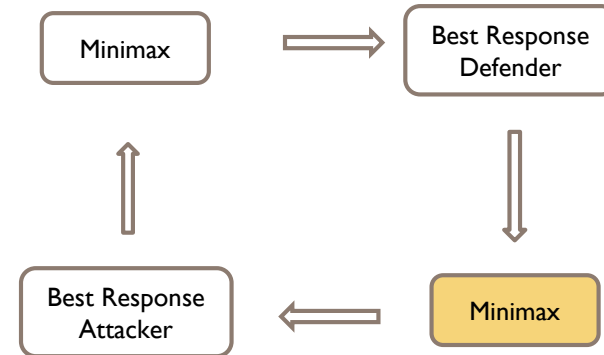
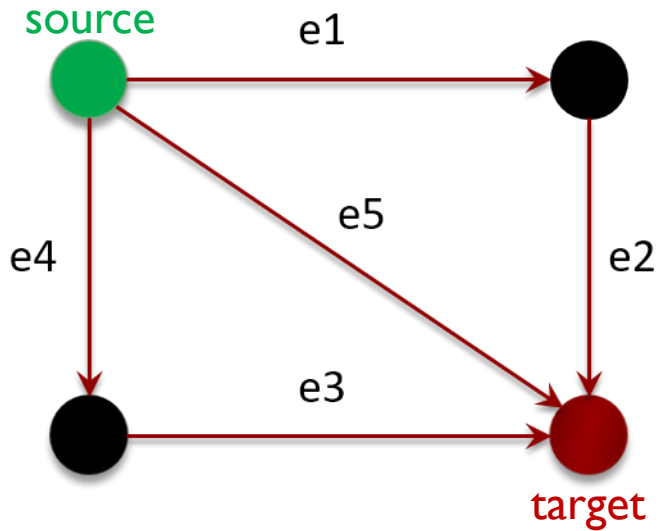
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Defender Allocations

Defender's best response: e3 or e4

Pick e3

Example



Attacker Paths

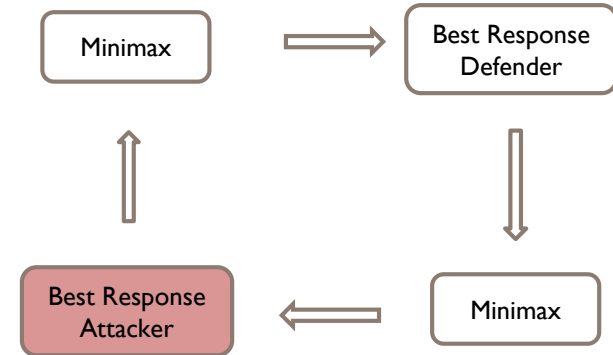
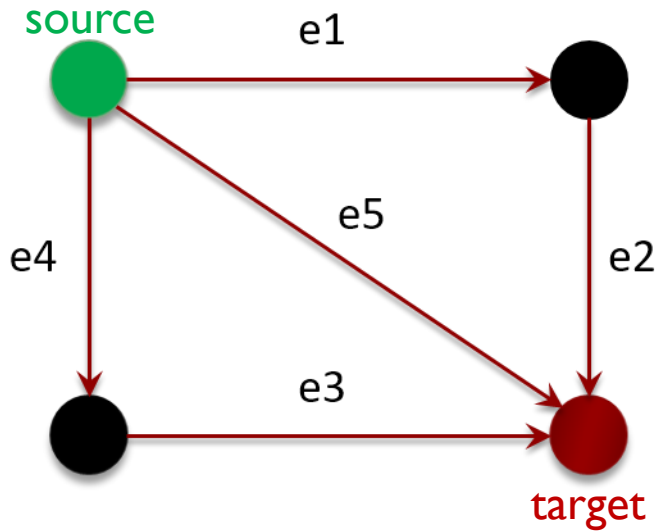
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e3	-T, T	

Defender Allocations

Minimax strategy:
 Defender Strategy: [0.5, 0.5]
 Attacker Strategy: [0.5, 0.5]

Example

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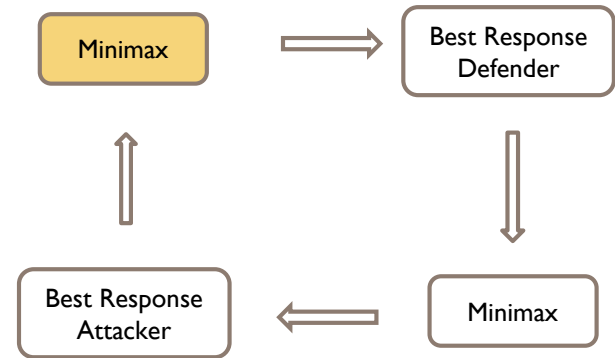
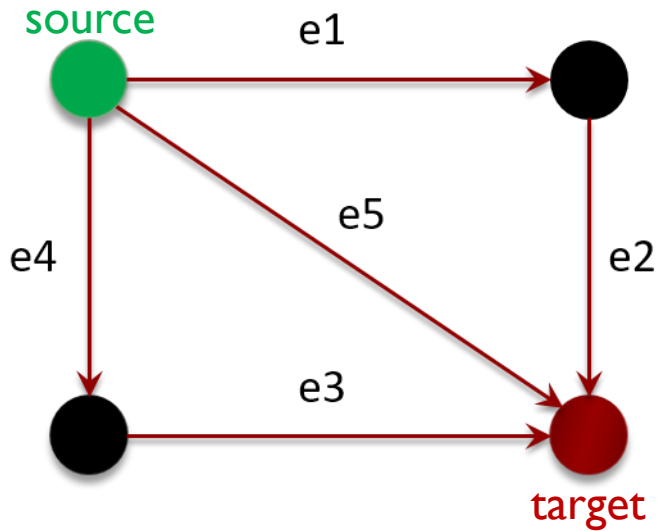
Attacker Paths

	s->e1->e2->t	s->e4->e3->t
e1	0,0	-T,T
e3	-T,T	

Defender
Allocations

Attacker's best response: s->e5->t

Example



Attacker Paths

	s->e1->e2->t	s->e4->e3->t	s->e5->t
e1		-T, T	-T, T
e3	-T, T		-T, T

Defender
Allocations

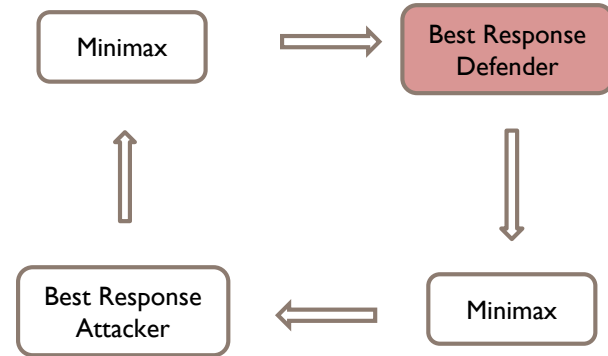
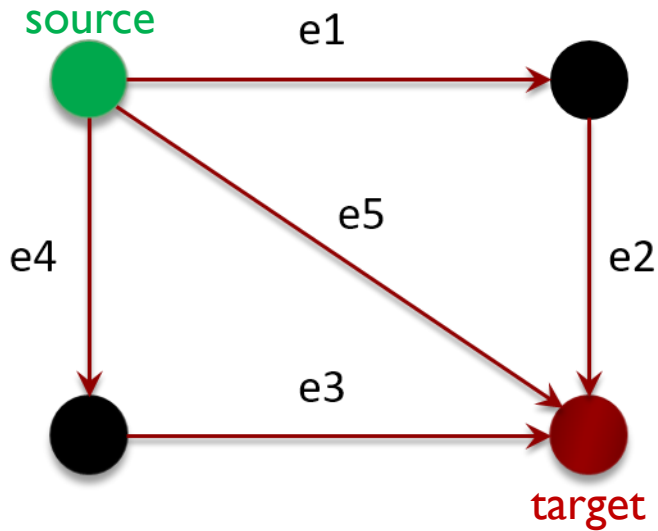
Minimax strategy:

Defender Strategy: arbitrary, say [1.0, 0.0]

Attacker Strategy: [0.0, 0.0, 1.0]

Example

Minimax strategy:
 Defender Strategy: [1.0, 0.0]
 Attacker Strategy: [0.0, 0.0, 1.0]



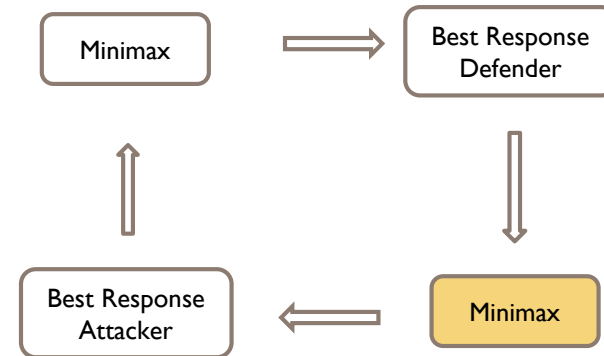
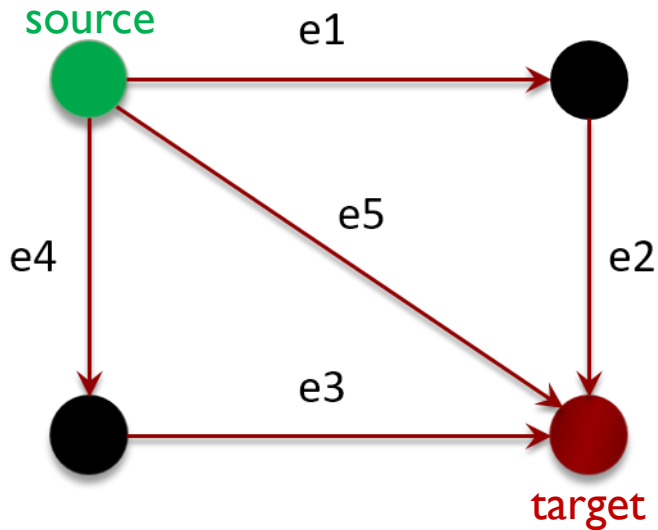
Attacker Paths

	s->e1->e2->t	s->e4->e3->t	s->e5->t
e1		-T, T	-T, T
e3	-T, T		-T, T

Defender
Allocations

Defender's best response: e5

Example



Attacker Paths

Defender Allocations

	s->e1->e2->t	s->e4->e3->t	s->e5->t
e1		-T,T	-T,T
e3	-T,T		-T,T
e5	-T,T		-T,T

Defender Strategy: $[1/3, 1/3, 1/3]$

Attacker Strategy: $[1/3, 1/3, 1/3]$

No new best responses will be added in the next iteration. Terminate.

Poll 4

▶ Assume the following table is the game matrix (zero-sum). At some point in the process of the double oracle algorithm, a smaller game is being considered, with row 1, 2 and column 3, 4. What action should be added in the next iteration?

▶ A_1

▶ A_2

▶ X_1

▶ X_2

Attacker Paths

		A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4
Defender	X_1 :	-5	-8	0	-9
Allocations	X_2 :	0	-8	-15	0

Poll 4

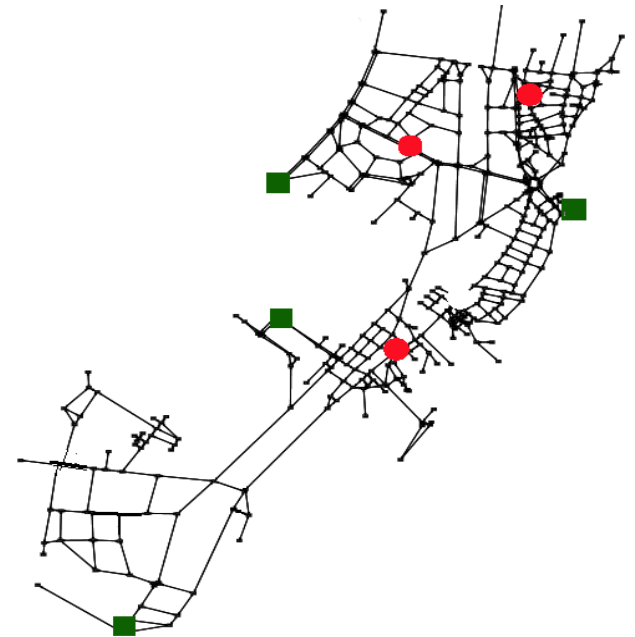
- ▶ Assume the following table is the game matrix (zero-sum). At some point in the process of the double oracle algorithm, a smaller game is being considered, with row 1, 2 and column 3, 4. What action should be added in the next iteration?

- ▶ A_1
 - ▶ A_2
 - ▶ X_1
 - ▶ X_2
 - ▶ None
- The minimax strategy of this smaller game is Def: $(5/8, 3/8)$, Att: $(3/8, 5/8)$. Expected utility for attacker of taking each of the action is $5 \cdot 5/8, 8, 15 \cdot 3/8, 9 \cdot 5/8$

		Attacker Paths			
		A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4
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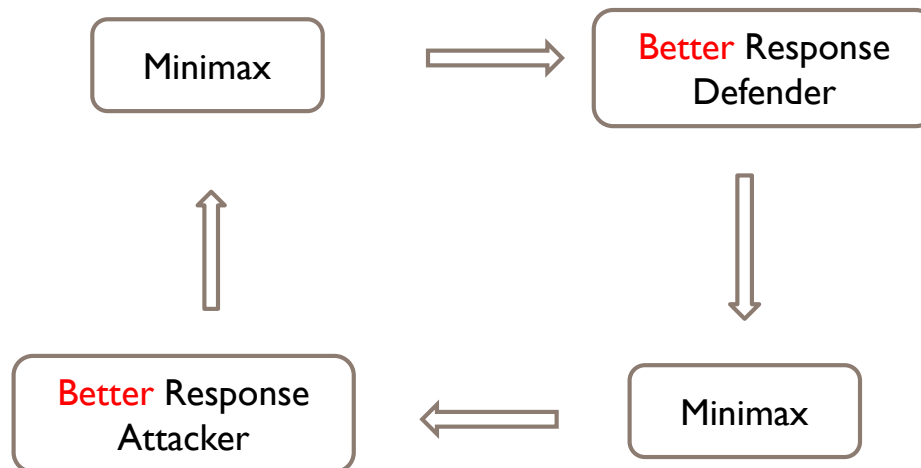
Warm Start

- ▶ Initialize with some subset of pure strategies (e.g., for defender, K edges in the min-cut)

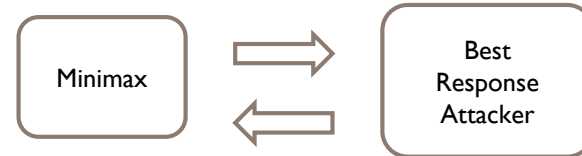
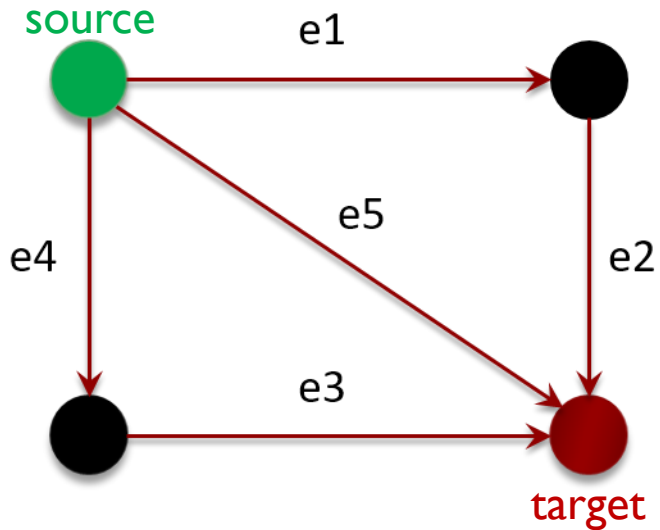


Better Responses

- ▶ No need to find the best response
- ▶ If you find a better response but not sure if it is the best response, it is OK to add it and move on
- ▶ If you cannot find a better response, it means the best response is already in the current support
- ▶ Impact on computation time varies



Column Generation: Using One Oracle Only



Attacker Paths

Defender
Allocations

	s->e1->e2->t
e1	
e2	
e3	-T, T
e4	-T, T
e5	-T, T

Additional Resources and References

Additional Resources

- ▶ [Deployed ARMOR Protection: The Application of a Game Theoretic Model for Security at the Los Angeles International Airport](#)
- ▶ [A Double Oracle Algorithm for Zero-Sum Security Games on Graphs](#)

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