

Zero-sum problems

1. a)

	R	P	S
R	0	-1	1
P	1	0	-1
S	-1	1	0

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) $P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0.5 \\ 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0.75 \\ 0.25 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Expected Payoff} = P^T A Q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.75 \\ 0.25 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= -0.125$$

Column player wins more, since the expected payoff to him is positive.

2. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 0 \\ -6 & 0 & -5 \\ 5 & \boxed{2} & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Saddle point = 2 $\Rightarrow$ which gives Row player's optimal strategy, as well as column player's optimal strategy.
Value of the game = 2

3.

	Black Ace
R	
Black	3
Red	-6

	C
Black 2	Red 3
3	-4
-6	7

$$P^* = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{7+6}{3+7+4+6} \\ \frac{3+4}{3+7+4+6} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.65 \\ 0.35 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q^* = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{7+4}{3+7+4+6} \\ \frac{3+6}{3+7+4+6} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.55 \\ 0.45 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Value of the game} = \frac{(3)(7) - (-6)(-4)}{3+7+4+6} = -0.15$$