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Autonomous Multiagent Systems
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- what if there are multiple NEQ?

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Note: complexity unknown (likely in NP)

Tom's matrices

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supervisor:

	Inspect	NoInspect
Work	$VALUE - WAGE - EFFORT_I$	$VALUE - WAGE$
Shirk	$-EFFORT_I$	$-WAGE$

The nash equilibrium is as follows:

$$p(I) = EFFORT_W / WAGE$$

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Class Discussion

Luis Guimbarda on coalitions

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 - Need to do well against some set of agents, never too poorly, and well against yourself.

Stochastic Games

- Tutorial slides