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- Any questions?

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- Equilibrium vs. global optimum (distributed vs. central)

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- Useful for TAC SCM?

Is Walverine stable against itself?

- Does it speculate?
- Or is it essentially a price taker?

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- Saurabh: Agents should not be allowed to tweak programs between rounds
- Shimon: Every agent should be tuned as aggressively as possible