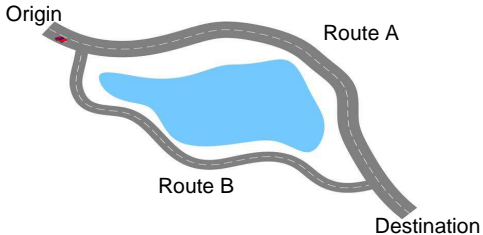


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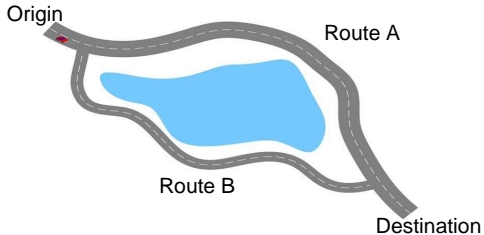
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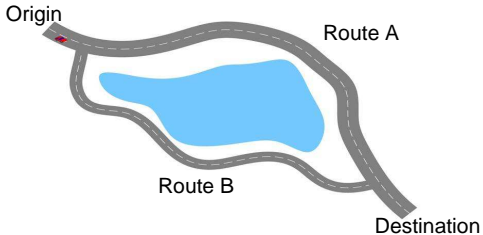
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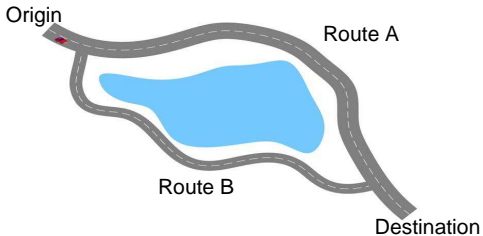


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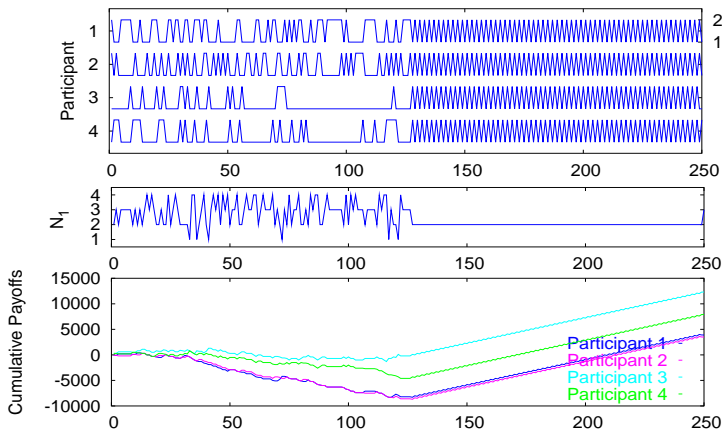
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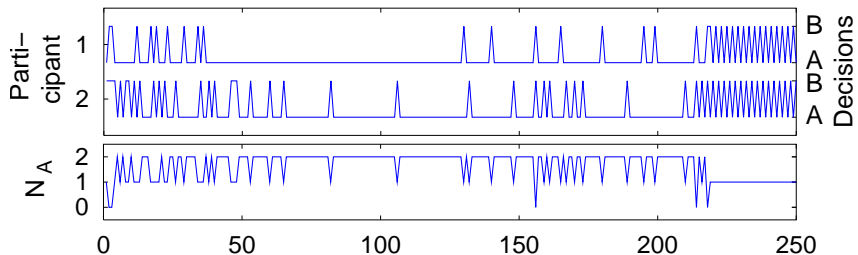
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Timeseries example – 4 participants



cooperation occurred sometimes, but very rarely

Timeseries example – 2 participants



cooperation in 17 out of 24 groups

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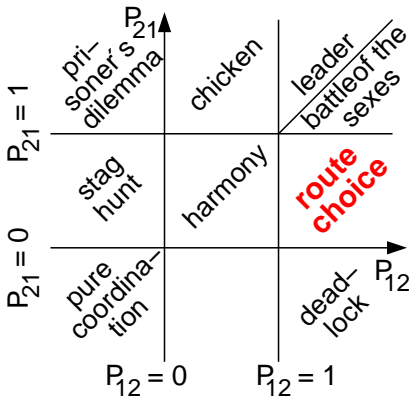
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ordinal generalization

	1	2
strategy 1	1	P_{12}
strategy 2	P_{21}	0



Eriksson & Lindgren (2002) (extended)

2nd-order RCG

	AA	AB	BA	BB
AA	0 ③	300 ②	300 ①	600
AB	-100 ②	-200 ④	200 ④	100
BA	-100 ①	200 ④	-200 ④	100
BB	-200	-300	-300	-400

- 1 decision regarding 2 timesteps
- illustrates the participants' challenge in the experiments
- AA still strictly dominant
- equilibrium not Pareto-efficient
- contains both:
 - ▶ a coordination problem, and
 - ▶ a Prisoners' Dilemma

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