

SS 201A, SET 2  
DUE FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25<sup>TH</sup>

Collaboration on homework is encouraged, but individually written solutions are required. Please name all collaborators and sources of information on each assignment. Any such named source may be used.

- (1) *Cournot competition*. Find a symmetric equilibrium of the Cournot competition game, as described in the exercise in the lecture notes.
- (2) *Elimination of dominated strategies*. Prove Theorem 2.14 from the lecture notes.
- (3) *Elimination of weakly dominated strategies*. In the following game the additional strategy  $A$  was added to matching pennies.

	$H$	$T$	$A$
$H$	1, 0	0, 1	2, 0
$T$	0, 1	1, 0	1, 0
$A$	1/2, 0	0, 1	2, 2

- (a) Show that this game has a pure Nash equilibrium.
  - (b) What are the weakly dominated strategies?
  - (c) Iteratively remove the weakly dominated strategies. What is the resulting game? Does it have pure Nash equilibria?
- (4) *Double Brouwer*. Let  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be compact and convex. Let  $S, T: X \rightarrow X$  be continuous, and assume that they commute:  $S \circ T = T \circ S$ .
    - (a) Prove that  $S$  has a fixed point, under the assumption that  $n = 1$ .
    - (b) Show that if  $S$  has a unique fixed point then it is also a fixed point of  $T$ .
    - (c) *Bonus question*. Show that if  $T$  is affine then there is an  $x \in X$  that is a fixed point of both  $S$  and  $T$ . Hint: you can use the technique used in the lecture notes to prove Brouwer for affine  $T$ .
    - (d) *Extra bonus question*. Find such  $X, S, T$  with the property that no  $x \in X$  is a fixed point of both  $S$  and  $T$ .