

Implementation with Missing Data

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- How should planners tackle the problem of designing mechanisms
 - ▶ with **missing choice data**
(i.e., when they do not know all choices of all individuals)
 - ▶ to decentralize desired collective goals?

The lack of data on individuals' choices is **natural** as missing data is a fact of life:

- Monitoring and storage of individuals' revealed preferences are costly.

An Incomplete Literature Review

- Maskin (1999), Moore and Repullo (1990), Dutta and Sen (1991);
- Jackson (1991);
- Bergemann and Morris (2005), (2008), (2009), and (2011);
- Eliaz (2002);
- Barlo and Dalkıran (2009), Korpela (2012), de Clippel (2014), Hayashi et al. (2020), Barlo and Dalkıran (2021, 2022).

A Suitable Setting – I

- A *planner*, a fresh CEO or an appointed trustee, is to run a firm, and
- depending on the *state of the firm* that she does not observe, she is to choose one of the following *alternatives*: expansion, prudence, or contraction.
- The chiefs of *finance* and *marketing* observe the firm's state, be it (S)trong, (N)ormal, or (W)eak, and their own *preferences* contingent on firm's states.
- The planner needs to *implement* a given goal contingent on firm's states by extracting the CFO's and the CMO's information.

A Suitable Setting – II

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- In our model, the planner and the individuals do not fully know this association, but have partial information about it. This constitutes the **missing choice data**:

From **past data** on accounting records and meeting minutes, they are partially informed about how chiefs' preferences correspond to firm's states:
 - ▶ Last quarter, when the firm's state was **normal**, the *CFO* strictly preferred *prudence* to *contraction*, while
 - ▶ the *CMO* strictly preferred the *prudence* to *expansion*,
 - ▶ and there is no further information pertaining to the firm's normal state.

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From past data on accounting records and meeting minutes, they are partially informed about how chiefs' preferences correspond to firm's states:
 - ▶ So, at the firm's **normal** state, the *CEO* and the *CMO* do not know how the *CFO* ranks *expansion* compared to *contraction* and *prudence*, and
 - ▶ the *CEO* and the *CFO* do not know how the *CMO* ranks *contraction* compared to *expansion* and *prudence*.

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- The missing choice data is **publicly observable**.
- When can the planner **implement a given goal** for the firm via a mechanism by using **only the incomplete public choice data** and by refraining from relying on
 - ▶ chiefs' assessments about the other's possible preferences (types), and
 - ▶ chiefs' knowledge of their own types?

Our Contributions

- We *formalize* such **implementation problems with missing data**,
- *propose* a suitable **notion of equilibrium** along with resulting concepts of (full) implementation,
- *obtain* **necessary conditions** that are **sufficient** in economic environments,
- *establish* that **more information enriches implementation opportunities**,
- *analyze* the implementability of a suitable **efficiency** notion.

An Example: Missing Choice Data

	<i>(S)trong</i>		<i>(N)ormal</i>		<i>(W)eak</i>	
	<i>CFO</i>	<i>CMO</i>	<i>CFO</i>	<i>CMO</i>	<i>CFO</i>	<i>CMO</i>
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There are three alternatives $X = \{c, e, p\}$, and the CFO and the CMO observe the *state of the firm* $\Theta = \{S, N, W\}$ along with their own preferences (strict rankings).

- $\pi^* : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$ identifies the *true association* between Θ and Ω where Ω denotes the *payoff states* and equals the set of all strict ranking profiles.
- The planner and the individuals do not know the true association but observe the above *incomplete public choice data*.

An Example: Inferences from the Incomplete Choice Data

	<i>(S)trong</i>		<i>(N)ormal</i>		<i>(W)eak</i>	
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Rationality implies the following inferences about individuals' preferences from the incomplete public choice data: At firm's state S ,

- the preferences of the CFO must be s.t. $e P_{CFO} p P_{CFO} c$ (denoted by *epc*);
- the preferences of the CMO is an element in $\{cep, ecp, epc\}$.

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- the preferences of the CFO must be in $\{epc, pce, pec\}$;
- the preferences of the CMO is in $\{cpe, pce, pec\}$.

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- the preferences of the CFO must be in $\{pce, pec\}$;
- the preferences of the CMO is in $\{pce, pec\}$.

An Example: The Inference Correspondence

	<i>(S)trong</i>		<i>(N)ormal</i>		<i>(W)eak</i>	
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Inferences from the incomplete public choice data generate

- the *inference correspondence*, $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$, where
- $\mathcal{K}(\theta) \subset \Omega$ is the set of ranking profiles **compatible with the public choice data**.
- We require the following: for all $\theta \in \Theta$
 - $\pi^*(\theta) \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$ (i.e., the truth must be compatible with the public choice data), and
 - $\mathcal{K}(\theta) \neq \emptyset$ (a natural regularity condition).

An Example: The Full Data

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- The data is **complete** when $\mathcal{K}(\theta) = \{\pi^*(\theta)\}$ for all $\theta \in \Theta$.
 - ▶ This corresponds to the **standard** case (see Maskin (1999) or de Clippel (2014)).

An Example: The Partially Informed Planner

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- The data is **complete** when $\mathcal{K}(\theta) = \{\pi^*(\theta)\}$ for all $\theta \in \Theta$.
- In all other cases, the planner and the individuals are **partially informed**.

An Example: The Inferences in the Example

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Inferences from the incomplete public choice data generate

- At S : $\mathcal{K}(S) = \{\{epc\} \times \{cep, ecp, epc\}\}$.
- At N : $\mathcal{K}(N) = \{\{epc, pce, pec\} \times \{cpe, pce, pec\}\}$.
- At W : $\mathcal{K}(W) = \{\{pce, pec\} \times \{pce, pec\}\}$.

An Example: Agents' Inferences

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Agent's observe **their own type** (ranking), the **incomplete public choice data**, and **firm's realized state but not other individuals' types**. Thus,

- at *S* the CMO observing his type say cep infers that the payoff state equals (epc, cep) ;
- at *N* the CFO observing his type say pce infers that the realized payoff state must be in $\{(pce, cpe), (pce, pce), (pce, pec)\}$;
- ...

An Example: Inferences

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The planner observes **only** the **incomplete public choice data**; so, can make inferences only based on the inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$.

An Example: The Social Choice Correspondence

	<i>(S)trong</i>		<i>(N)ormal</i>		<i>(W)eak</i>	
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The social choice correspondence (SCC) $f : \Theta \rightrightarrows X$ is *exogenously given*. Here,

- we consider a *plausible* SCC: $f(S) = \{e\}$ and $f(\theta) = \{p\}$ for all $\theta \neq S$.
- For any θ , $f(\theta)$ equals the set of **reliably Pareto efficient** alternatives at θ :

$$f(\theta) = \bigcap_{\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)} PO(\omega), \text{ where } PO(\omega) \equiv \{x \in X \mid \nexists y \in X \text{ with } y P_i^\omega x, \forall i \in N\}.$$

$x \in f(\theta)$ implies that no matter what the true ranking profile is, it must be PO.

► Details

The Model – I

- The environment is of *incomplete information*.
- X is the set of *alternatives* and the set of its non-empty subsets is \mathcal{X} .
- Ω_i is the set of possible *preferences* (**payoff types**) of individual $i \in N$.
- $\Omega = \times_{i \in N} \Omega_i$ denotes the set of **payoff states** (type profiles).
- Θ is the **states of the economy**.
- $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ is a given **social choice correspondence** (SCC).

Inferences from the Incomplete Public Choice Data

- The **inference correspondence** is $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$ s.t. $\mathcal{K}(\theta) \equiv \times_{i \in N} \mathcal{K}_i(\theta)$ for all θ ,
- $\mathcal{K}(\theta) \subset \Omega$ is the set of payoff states that are **compatible with the public choice data** at $\theta \in \Theta$:
 - ▶ if the publicly observable choice of $i \in N$ at θ from $S \in \mathcal{X}$ with $x, y \in S$ contains x , then it is publicly known that $x R_i^\omega y$ for all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$.
- $\pi_i^* : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega_i$ captures the **true association** between Θ and Ω_i such that for all θ , $\pi^*(\theta) \equiv \times_{i \in N} \pi_i^*(\theta)$ is in $\mathcal{K}(\theta)$.

Information/Knowledge Requirements

The **information and knowledge requirements** of our model are:

- (i) the **planner** knows N, X, Ω, Θ , and $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$; and
- (ii) each **individual** i knows $N, X, \Omega, \Theta, f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$, and
 - ▶ the *realized state of the economy* $\theta \in \Theta$ and
 - ▶ *i 's true realized type* $\pi_i^*(\theta) \in \mathcal{K}_i(\theta)$ *at* θ ; and
- (iii) items (i), (ii), and $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$, **inferences compatible with the public choice data**, are common knowledge among the individuals and the planner.

Mechanisms

A mechanism $\mu = (M, g)$ consists of

- **messages**, $M_i \neq \emptyset$, and **outcome function**, $g : M \rightarrow X$ with $M \equiv \times_{i \in N} M_i$.
- given $m_{-i} \in M_{-i} \equiv \times_{j \neq i} M_j$, the **opportunity set** of i in μ for m_{-i} is

$$O_i^\mu(m_{-i}) \equiv g(M_i, m_{-i}) = \{g(m_i, m_{-i}) \mid m_i \in M_i\}.$$

Inferences from the incomplete public choice data, $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightrightarrows \Omega$, enable

- predictions about individuals' strategic behavior in mechanism μ and
- determination of whether or not μ “implements” a given SCC.

“Equilibrium” at Firm’s State N

In our example, consider the following mechanism, **firm’s state N**, and recall that

$$\mathcal{K}(N) = \{\{epc, pce, pec\} \times \{cpe, pce, pec\}\} \text{ and } f(N) = \{p\}.$$

		CMO		
		L	M	R
CFO	U	p	e	c
	M	e	p	p
	D	c	p	p

The planner infers that

- M is a best response of the CFO to the CMO choosing R , for all CFO’s rankings in $\mathcal{K}_{CFO}(N)$.
- R is a best response of the CMO to the CFO choosing M , for all CMO’s rankings in $\mathcal{K}_{CMO}(N)$.

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The planner infers that

- At N , profile (M, R) is a Nash equilibrium (NE) at all payoff states in $\mathcal{K}(N)$.
- We argue that at N , the planner may **rely** on (M, R) being an “equilibrium”
 - ▶ even if the planner and the individuals are unsure of the true ranking profile associated with N .

Nash Equilibrium

- Given $\mu = (M, g)$, $m^* \in M$ is a **Nash equilibrium** (NE) of μ at payoff state (ranking profile) $\omega \in \Omega$ if

$$g(m^*) \in \bigcap_{i \in N} C_i^\omega(O_i^\mu(m_{-i}^*)),$$

where for any non-empty $S \subset X$, $C_i^\omega(S) \equiv \{x \in S \mid xR_i^\omega y, \forall y \in S\}$.

- Our environment is of incomplete information where the planner and the individuals are unsure of the payoff state associated with the state of the economy.
- Thus, the use of **NE is not plausible** in our setting.

Reliable Nash Equilibrium

- The **planner** needs to consider individuals' behavior in every possible ranking profile compatible with the incomplete public choice data
 - ▶ to make reliable strategic predictions and ensure outcomes consonant with the desired goal.
- If the **individuals** correlate their behavior only on the public choice data, then they do not have incentives to find out others' true preferences.
- These lead us to the notion of **reliable Nash equilibrium**.

Reliable Nash Equilibrium

Definition

Given a mechanism μ , and the inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightrightarrows \Omega$, $m^* \in M$ is a **reliable Nash equilibrium** (RNE) of μ at state of the economy θ if

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- A profile of RNE taken across the states of the economy is equivalent to
 - ▶ an *ex-post correlated equilibrium* (ECE),
 - i.e., an ex-post equilibrium using the states of the economy as a correlation device,
 - ▶ in which *each individual's behavior depends only on the public choice data*.

▶ ECE

▶ Back

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The RNE provides the following **robustness properties**:

- (i) It uses **no probabilistic information**, **no belief updating**, and **no common prior assumption**; it is **belief-free**, and the equilibrium behavior features the **ex-post no-regret property**.
- (ii) The RNE refrains from using individuals' private information and **relies only on the public choice data**.

Implementation in Reliable Nash Equilibrium

Definition

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$ and an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$, a **mechanism** μ **implements f in RNE** if for all $\theta \in \Theta$, $f(\theta) = RNE^\mu(\theta)$ where

$RNE^\mu(\theta) \equiv \{g(m^*) \in X \mid m^* \text{ is an RNE at } \theta\}$. That is,

(i) for all $\theta \in \Theta$ and all $x \in f(\theta)$, there exists $m^x \in M$ such that $g(m^x) = x$ and

$$g(m^x) \in \bigcap_{i \in N, \omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)} C_i^\omega(O_i^\mu(m_{-i}^x)), \text{ and}$$

(ii) if $m^* \in M$ is such that $g(m^*) \in \bigcap_{i \in N, \omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)} C_i^\omega(O_i^\mu(m_{-i}^*))$ for some $\theta \in \Theta$, then $g(m^*) \in f(\theta)$.

Implementation in Reliable Nash Equilibrium

Implementation in RNE sustains RNE's **robustness properties**. Thus,

- individuals do not have incentives to change their prescribed behavior even if they were to learn others' payoff types, and
- outcomes of mechanisms implementing the given SCC in RNE are verifiable using only the public information and hence
- vindications based on individuals' private information are not needed.
- That is why such mechanisms preserve privacy.
 - ▶ See mechanism design with **privacy-aware individuals** (Nissim et al. (2012), Pai and Roth (2013), and Chen et al. (2016), among others).

Our Example - Implementation in RNE - S

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S : (M, L) is an RNE because $g(M, L) = e \in C_{CFO}^\omega(\{c, e, p\}) \cap C_{CMO}^\omega(\{e, p\})$ for all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(S)$,
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Our Example Revisited - Implementation in RNE

These show that, the following mechanism fully implements the SCC f in RNE:

		CMO		
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There is a “danger” that emerges at S :

- (D, R) is an NE at $\hat{\omega} = (epc, epc) \in \mathcal{K}(S)$ and $g(D, R) = p \notin f(S) = \{e\}$.
- So, (D, R) is an NE at $\hat{\omega}$ that is compatible with the public choice data.
- Thus, there may be an ECE sustaining outcome p at payoff state $\hat{\omega}$, resulting in an alternative that is not f -optimal at S .
- The planner may seek to prevent the occurrence of such incidents.

Safe Implementation in Reliable Nash Equilibrium

Definition

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$, we say that an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ is **safely implementable in reliable Nash equilibrium** by a mechanism $\mu = (M, g)$ if

- (i) $f(\theta) \subset RNE^\mu(\theta)$ for all $\theta \in \Theta$; and
- (ii) if $m^* \in M$ and $\theta \in \Theta$ are such that $g(m^*) \in \bigcap_{i \in N} C_i^\omega(O_i^\mu(m_{-i}^*))$ for some $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$, then $g(m^*) \in f(\theta)$.

Condition (ii) says that if an action profile is an NE of μ at some ω compatible with θ , then it must result in an f -optimal alternative at θ .

Our Example Revisited - Safe Implementation in RNE

We show that, the following mechanism safely implements the SCC f in RNE:

		CMO		
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The outcome of (D, R) is changed from p to c :

- The “**danger**” that emerges at S **is eliminated**.
- Individuals’ opportunity sets and the RNE **do not** change.
- In particular, (M, L) continues to be an RNE at S .
- (D, R) is **not an NE at any $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(S)$** because CFO ranks p strictly above c .

► Details

Implementation via RNE uses Public Choice Data

- RNE uses inferences drawn from the public choice data and demands that
 - ▶ the equilibrium behavior of every individual does not depend on his private information.

▶ Reliable Nash Equilibrium

- What if the planner contemplates individual i 's behavior to depend on his privately observed type with or without considering others' types?
- This leads to the ex-post correlated formulation (Bergemann and Morris, 2008) and the Bayes correlated formulation (Bergemann and Morris, 2016).

▶ Ex-Post Correlated Equilibrium

▶ Bayes Correlated Equilibrium

Necessity of (Safe) Implementation in RNE

Definition

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$ and an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$, a profile of sets $\mathbf{S} := (S_i(x, \theta))_{i \in N, \theta \in \Theta, x \in f(\theta)}$ is **reliably-consistent** with f if

- (i) for all $\theta \in \Theta$ and all $x \in f(\theta)$, $x \in \bigcap_{i \in N, \omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)} C_i^\omega(S_i(x, \theta))$; and
- (ii) $x \in f(\theta)$ and $x \notin f(\tilde{\theta})$ implies that there are $j \in N$ and $\tilde{\omega} \in \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta})$ such that $x \notin C_j^{\tilde{\omega}}(S_j(x, \theta))$.

Moreover, a profile of sets $\mathbf{S} := (S_i(x, \theta))_{i \in N, \theta \in \Theta, x \in f(\theta)}$ is **safely-consistent** with f if (i) and the following hold:

- (iii) $x \in f(\theta)$ and $x \notin f(\tilde{\theta})$ implies that for all $\tilde{\omega} \in \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta})$ there is $j \in N$ with $x \notin C_j^{\tilde{\omega}}(S_j(x, \theta))$.

► Relation to Maskin monotonicity

The Necessity Result

Theorem (Theorem 1)

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightrightarrows \Omega$ and an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$,

- (i) if f is **implementable in RNE**, then there is a profile of sets that is **reliably-consistent** with f ; and
- (ii) if f is **safely implementable in RNE**, then there is a profile of sets that is **safely-consistent** with f .

► Proof of Theorem 1

An Implication of Necessity

Theorem (Theorem 2)

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$ and an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$, if there exists a profile of sets that is

- (i) *reliably-consistent* with f and $\mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta}) \subset \mathcal{K}(\theta)$ for some $\theta, \tilde{\theta} \in \Theta$, then $f(\theta) \subset f(\tilde{\theta})$;
- (ii) *safely-consistent* with f and $\mathcal{K}(\theta) \cap \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta}) \neq \emptyset$ for some $\theta, \tilde{\theta} \in \Theta$, then $f(\theta) = f(\tilde{\theta})$.

More information enriches implementation opportunities.

► Proof of Theorem 2

Implications of Information on Implementation

Suppose $\tilde{\theta}$ is a state of the economy at which the planner is **completely ignorant** of the payoff states, i.e., $\mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta}) = \Omega$. Then, we have the following:

- Any SCC **implementable in RNE** must be such that $f(\tilde{\theta}) \subset \bigcap_{\theta \in \Theta} f(\theta)$.
- Any SCC that is **safely implementable in RNE** must be **constant**.
- Suppose f is singleton-valued. If f is either **implementable in RNE** or **safely implementable in RNE**, then f is **constant**.

We employ the following in our sufficiency result:

Definition

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$, the environment is

- (i) **economic** if for all $x \in X$ and for all $\theta \in \Theta$, there exist $i, j \in N$ with $i \neq j$, $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$, and $y^i, y^j \in X$ such that $y^i P_i^\omega x$ and $y^j P_j^\omega x$; and
- (ii) **strictly economic** if for all $x \in X$, all $\theta \in \Theta$, and all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$, there exist $i, j \in N$ with $i \neq j$ and $y^i, y^j \in X$ such that $y^i P_i^\omega x$ and $y^j P_j^\omega x$.

Sufficiency Result

Theorem (Theorem 3)

Let $\#N \geq 3$. Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$ and an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$, if there exists a profile of sets that is

- (i) **reliably-consistent** with f and the environment is **economic**, then f is **implementable in RNE**; and
- (ii) **safely-consistent** with f and the environment is **strictly economic**, then f is **safely implementable in RNE**.

► Proof of Theorem 3

Reliable Pareto Optimality / Reliable Efficiency

For any i , ω , x , let $L_i^\omega(x) \equiv \{y \mid xR_i^\omega y\}$. Then, given an inference correspondence \mathcal{K} ,

- **reliable Pareto optimal SCC** at θ is $RPO(\theta) \equiv \{x \in X \mid x \in \cap_{\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)} PO(\omega)\}$

where, for any $\omega \in \Omega$, $PO(\omega) \equiv \{x \in X \mid \nexists y \in X \text{ such that } yP_i^\omega x, \forall i \in N\}$.

- x is **reliably efficient** at θ if $\exists (L_{i,x}^\theta)_{i \in N}$ s.t. $\forall i \in N$, $x \in L_{i,x}^\theta \subset L_i^\omega(x)$ for all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$ and $\cup_{i \in N} L_{i,x}^\theta = X$. Such alternatives constitute $RE(\theta)$.

Reliable efficiency parallels the efficiency of de Clippel (2014).

- $RE(\theta) = RPO(\theta) = PO(\pi^*(\theta))$ for all θ , whenever $\mathcal{K}(\theta) = \{\pi^*(\theta)\}$ for all θ .

I.e., both are **extensions of efficiency** to cases with missing choice data.

- In general, $RPO(\theta) = RE(\theta)$ for all θ . (**Proposition 1**)

Implementability of RPO in RNE

Proposition (Proposition 2)

Let $\#N \geq 3$. If an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$ induces an **economic environment** in which **RPO** : $\Theta \rightarrow X$ is **nonempty-valued**, then **RPO is implementable in RNE**.

Sketch of the proof:

- By Proposition 1, $RPO(\theta) = RE(\theta)$ for all $\theta \in \Theta$.
- RE being nonempty-valued implies the associated profile $\mathbf{L} \equiv (L_{i,x}^\theta)_{i,\theta,x \in RE(\theta)}$ is reliably-consistent with RE .
- The rest of the proof follows from Theorem 3.

Concluding Remarks

- We *formalize* the *implementation problem with missing data*,
- *propose* a suitable *notion of equilibrium* along with resulting concepts of (full) implementation,
- *obtain necessary conditions* that are *sufficient* in economic environments,
- *establish* that *more information enriches implementation opportunities*,
- *analyze* implementability of a suitable *efficiency* notion.

Thank You.

Correlation under Private Information

- We analyze situations where individuals may use both the **incomplete public choice data** and their private information (**payoff type**) when strategizing.
- Under *incomplete information*, the main objects of interest are state contingent allocations, i.e., social choice functions (SCF).

So, social choice sets composed of SCFs are used instead of SCCs.

- ▶ E.g., Jackson (1991); Bergemann and Morris (2008); Barlo and Dalkiran (2022)
- In our environment, individuals' behavior can be correlated on publicly observable economic states as well.

Correlated Social Choice Sets

- Given desirable alternatives as specified by an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$, a **correlated social choice set** (CSCS) associated with f is $\Phi_f := (\Phi_{f,\theta})_{\theta \in \Theta}$ with $\Phi_{f,\theta}$ being a non-empty subset of all functions mapping $\mathcal{K}(\theta)$ to $f(\theta)$, for all $\theta \in \Theta$.
- Reliability inherent in RNE parallels the following: Φ_f satisfies the **reliability criterion** if for all $\theta \in \Theta$, $\Phi_{f,\theta}$ equals **constant functions** mapping $\mathcal{K}(\theta)$ to $f(\theta)$ such that for all $x \in f(\theta)$ there is a function in $\Phi_{f,\theta}$ that maps $\mathcal{K}(\theta)$ to $\{x\}$.

► An Example
- The CSCS associated with f **satisfying the reliability criterion**, $\bar{\Phi}_f$, is **uniquely determined**.

Correlated Private Strategies

- Given mechanism $\mu = (M, g)$, for each state of the economy $\theta \in \Theta$, individual i 's **correlated strategy** at θ is a function $\sigma_{i\theta} : \mathcal{K}_i(\theta) \rightarrow M_i$.
- We let $\Sigma_{i\theta}$ be the set of individual i 's correlated strategies at $\theta \in \Theta$.
- Given mechanism μ , for each state of the economy $\theta \in \Theta$, individual i 's **public correlated strategy** at θ is given by $\varsigma_{i\theta} \in M_i$.
- We let $\Sigma_{i\theta}^P$ be the set of individual i 's public correlated strategies at $\theta \in \Theta$.
- **Public correlated strategies** depend **only on** θ and **not on** ω_i .

Ex-Post Correlated Equilibrium

Definition

Given a mechanism $\mu = (M, g)$, and the inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$, the correlated strategy profile $\sigma^* \equiv (\sigma_{i\theta}^*)_{i \in N, \theta \in \Theta} \in \Sigma$ is an **ex-post correlated equilibrium (ECE)** of μ if for all states of the economy $\theta \in \Theta$, all $i \in N$, and all $\omega_i \in \mathcal{K}_i(\theta)$,

$$g(\sigma_{i\theta}^*(\omega_i), \sigma_{-i\theta}^*(\omega_{-i})) \in C_i^{(\omega_i, \omega_{-i})}(O_i^\mu(\sigma_{-i\theta}^*(\omega_{-i}))), \text{ for all } \omega_{-i} \in \mathcal{K}_{-i}(\theta).$$

The public correlated strategy profile $\varsigma^* \equiv (\varsigma_{i\theta}^*)_{i \in N, \theta \in \Theta} \in \Sigma^P$ is a **public ex-post correlated equilibrium (PECE)** of μ if for all $\theta \in \Theta$, all $i \in N$, and all $\omega_i \in \mathcal{K}_i(\theta)$,

$$g(\varsigma_{i\theta}^*, \varsigma_{-i\theta}^*) \in C_i^{(\omega_i, \omega_{-i})}(O_i^\mu(\varsigma_{-i\theta}^*)), \text{ for all } \omega_{-i} \in \mathcal{K}_{-i}(\theta).$$

► Back to RNE

Implementation in Ex-Post Correlated Equilibrium

The implementation of CSCS Φ (not necessarily associated with an SCC f) in ECE requires: Given $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$, CSCS Φ is implementable by mechanism μ in ECE if

- (i) for all $\theta \in \Theta$ and all $\varphi_\theta \in \Phi_\theta$, there is an ECE $\sigma^* \in \Sigma$ with $g(\sigma_\theta^*(\omega)) = \varphi_\theta(\omega)$ for all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$; and
- (ii) if $\sigma^* \in \Sigma$ is an ECE of μ , then for all $\theta \in \Theta$ there is $\varphi_\theta \in \Phi_\theta$ such that $g(\sigma_\theta^*(\omega)) = \varphi_\theta(\omega)$ for all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$.

We focus on the implementation of $\bar{\Phi}_f$, the unique CSCS associated with SCC f satisfying the **reliability criterion**.

So, for all $\theta \in \Theta$ and all $\varphi_\theta \in \bar{\Phi}_{f,\theta}$, $\varphi_\theta(\omega) = x$ for some $x \in f(\theta)$ for all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$.

Thus, given $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$ and SCC f , we obtain the implementation of $\bar{\Phi}_f$ in ECE without the need to revert to CSCSs. Ergo, we obtain the following definition.

Implementation in Ex-Post Correlated Equilibrium

Definition

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$, an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ is **implementable in ex-post correlated equilibrium** by a mechanism $\mu = (M, g)$ if

- (i) for all $\theta \in \Theta$ and all $x \in f(\theta)$, there is an ECE $\sigma^{(x, \theta)} \in \Sigma$ with $g(\sigma_{i\theta}^{(x, \theta)}(\omega_i), \sigma_{-i\theta}^{(x, \theta)}(\omega_{-i})) = x$ for all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$; and
- (ii) if $\sigma^* \in \Sigma$ is an ECE of μ , then for all $\theta \in \Theta$, there exists $y \in f(\theta)$ such that for all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$, $g(\sigma_{i\theta}^*(\omega_i), \sigma_{-i\theta}^*(\omega_{-i})) = y$.

► Back to Implementation in BCE

Implementation in Public Ex-Post Correlated Equilibrium

Definition

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$, an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ is **implementable in public ex-post correlated equilibrium** by a mechanism $\mu = (M, g)$ if

- (i) for all $\theta \in \Theta$ and all $x \in f(\theta)$, there is a PECE $\varsigma^{(x, \theta)} \in \Sigma^P$ with $g(\varsigma_{i\theta}^{(x, \theta)}, \varsigma_{-i\theta}^{(x, \theta)}) = x$; and
- (ii) if $\varsigma^* \in \Sigma^P$ is a PECE of μ , then for all $\theta \in \Theta$, $g(\varsigma_{i\theta}^*, \varsigma_{-i\theta}^*) \in f(\theta)$.

Implementation in Public Ex-Post Correlated Equilibrium

Definition

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightrightarrows \Omega$, an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ is **implementable in public ex-post correlated equilibrium** by a mechanism $\mu = (M, g)$ if

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- (ii) if $\varsigma^* \in \Sigma^P$ is a PECE of μ , then for all $\theta \in \Theta$, $g(\varsigma_{i\theta}^*, \varsigma_{-i\theta}^*) \in f(\theta)$.

Remark

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightrightarrows \Omega$, an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ is **implementable in PECE** by a mechanism μ if and only if it is **implementable in RNE** via μ .

Reason: A profile of RNE across the states of the economy is equivalent to a PECE.

Implementation in ECE implies Implementation in PECE

Proposition (Proposition 3)

Given $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \twoheadrightarrow \Omega$, if an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ is **implementable in ECE** via a mechanism μ , then it is **implementable in PECE** via μ . But the reverse does not hold.

Arguments in the proof:

- We can transform any ECE strategy to a PECE strategy by fixing any one of the compatible payoff states with the help of the **reliability criterion**.
- Every PECE is an ECE that is **invariant** across individuals' payoff types.
- The example we use to show that the reverse does not hold also shows:

Mechanisms implementing an SCC f in PECE may possess 'bad' ECE.

► The Example of Proposition 3

Dismissing bad ECE via Double Implementation

- To dispense with **'bad' ECE**, one may consider **double implementation** in PECE and ECE (as in Saijo et al. (2007)):

Demand (i) of implementation in PECE and (ii) of implementation in ECE.

- By replacing (ii) of implementation in ECE by the following strengthens the above **double implementation**:

(ii') if $\sigma^* \in \Sigma$ is an ECE of μ , then for all $\theta \in \Theta$ and all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$, $g(\sigma_\theta^*(\omega)) \in f(\theta)$.

Dismissing bad ECE via Double Implementation

- Double implementation based on (i) of implementation in PECE and (ii') above requires the planner to consider individuals' **private information**.
- We can handle unwanted ECE outcomes by using only the **public choice data**
 - ▶ as any **ECE** of mechanism μ induces an **NE** of μ at every $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$ for any $\theta \in \Theta$.
- Hence, dismissing 'bad' NE ensures the elimination of unwanted ECE as well.
- This leads us to (i) of implementation in PECE and the following:

(iii'') if $m^* \in M$ and $\theta \in \Theta$ are s.t. $g(m^*) \in \bigcap_{i \in N} C_i^\omega(O_i^\mu(m_{-i}^*))$ for some $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$,
then $g(m^*) \in f(\theta)$.

We attain the **motivation for safe implementation in RNE**: (i) of implementation in **PECE** and (iii'') is equivalent to **safe implementation in RNE**. (Remark 2)

Bayes Correlated Equilibrium

- For each state of the economy θ , and for each payoff state compatible with θ , $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$, individual i 's preferences admit a **conditional expected utility** representation via the expected utility function $u_{i\theta}(\cdot \mid \omega_i) : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.
- For each θ , i 's **belief** at his payoff type $\omega_i \in \mathcal{K}_i(\theta)$ is $p_{i\theta}(\omega_i) \in \Delta(\mathcal{K}_{-i}(\theta))$, where $\Delta(\mathcal{K}_{-i}(\theta))$ denotes the probability simplex on $\mathcal{K}_{-i}(\theta)$.

Definition

Given mechanism μ , the inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightrightarrows \Omega$, and the **belief profile** \mathbf{p} , the correlated strategy profile $\sigma^* \in \Sigma$ is a **Bayes correlated equilibrium (BCE)** of μ if for all $i \in N$, for all $\theta \in \Theta$, and for all $\omega_i \in \mathcal{K}_i(\theta)$,

$$\sum_{\omega_{-i} \in \mathcal{K}_{-i}(\theta)} p_{i\theta}(\omega_{-i} \mid \omega_i) \left[u_{i\theta} \left(g(\sigma_{i\theta}^*(\omega_i), \sigma_{-i\theta}^*(\omega_{-i})) \mid \omega_i \right) - u_{i\theta} \left(g(m_i, \sigma_{-i\theta}^*(\omega_{-i})) \mid \omega_i \right) \right] \geq 0,$$

for all $m_i \in M_i$.

Bayes Correlated Equilibrium

A public correlated strategy profile $\varsigma^* \in \Sigma^P$ is a **public Bayes correlated equilibrium** (PBCE) of μ if for all i , all θ , and all $\omega_i \in \mathcal{K}_i(\theta)$,

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The PBCE and the PECE are equivalent as ς^* is a public correlated strategy profile.

Since any RNE profile is equivalent to a PECE, the equivalence of PBCE and PECE delivers further **robustness properties for RNE** as

- every RNE profile induces a PBCE and a BCE no matter what the beliefs are.

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Implementation in Bayes Correlated Equilibrium

Given $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \twoheadrightarrow \Omega$, the belief profile \mathbf{p} , and an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ we say that a CSCS Φ_f associated with f is **implementable in BCE** by a mechanism μ if

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- implementation in BCE shares many similarities with **implementation in ECE**.

As implementation in RNE is equivalent to implementation in PECE, the equivalence of the PBCE and the PECE implies

- **implementation in RNE** is equivalent to **implementation in PBCE**.

Concluding Remarks

- We *formalize* the *implementation problem with missing data*,
- *propose* a suitable *notion of equilibrium* along with resulting concepts of (full) implementation,
- *obtain necessary conditions* that are *sufficient* in economic environments,
- *establish* that *more information enriches implementation opportunities*,
- *analyze* implementability of a suitable *efficiency* notion.

Thank You.

An Example: Reliable Pareto Optimality

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- At S , $e \in \bigcap_{\omega \in \mathcal{K}(S)} PO(\omega)$ and $c, p \notin PO(\omega)$ for $\omega = (epc, epc) \in \mathcal{K}(S)$.
- At N , $p \in \bigcap_{\omega \in \mathcal{K}(N)} PO(\omega)$, and $c, e \notin PO(\omega)$ for $\omega = (pec, pec) \in \mathcal{K}(N)$.
- At W , $PO(\omega) = \{p\}$ for all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(W)$.

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Maskin Monotonicity

For any i , ω , x , let $L_i^\omega(x) \equiv \{y \mid xR_i^\omega y\}$ be i 's **lower contour set** of x at ω .

Definition

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightrightarrows \Omega$, an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ is

- (i) **reliably Maskin monotonic** if $x \in f(\theta)$ and $L_i^\omega(x) \subseteq L_i^{\tilde{\omega}}(x)$ for all $i \in N$, all $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$, and all $\tilde{\omega} \in \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta})$ implies $x \in f(\tilde{\theta})$.
- (ii) **safely Maskin monotonic**, if the following holds: if $x \in f(\theta)$ and for some $\omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)$ and some $\tilde{\omega} \in \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta})$ we have $L_i^\omega(x) \subseteq L_i^{\tilde{\omega}}(x)$ for all $i \in N$, then $x \in f(\tilde{\theta})$.

Equivalence of Consistency and Maskin Monotonicity

Proposition

Given an inference correspondence $\mathcal{K} : \Theta \rightarrow \Omega$ and an SCC $f : \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$, there is a profile of sets $\mathbf{S} := (S_i(x, \theta))_{i \in N, \theta \in \Theta, x \in f(\theta)}$ that is

- (i) **reliably-consistent** with f if and only if f is **reliably Maskin monotonic**.
- (ii) **safely-consistent** with f if and only if f is **safely Maskin monotonic**.

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Proof of Theorem 1 - I

Reliable-consistency:

- Suppose $\mu = (M, g)$ implements f in RNE. Hence, for all θ and all $x \in f(\theta)$, there is $m^x \in M$ such that $g(m^x) = x$ and $x \in \bigcap_{i \in N, \omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)} C_i^\omega(O_i^\mu(m_{-i}^x))$.
- Let \mathbf{S} be defined by $S_i(x, \theta) \equiv O_i^\mu(m_{-i}^x)$ for all i, θ, x in $f(\theta)$.
- (i) of reliable-consistency holds as m^x is an RNE of μ at θ .
- For (ii) of reliable-consistency, suppose $x \in f(\theta)$ and $x \notin f(\tilde{\theta})$, $\theta, \tilde{\theta} \in \Theta$.

If $x \in \bigcap_{i \in N, \tilde{\omega} \in \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta})} C_i^{\tilde{\omega}}(S_i(x, \theta)) = \bigcap_{i \in N, \tilde{\omega} \in \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta})} C_i^{\tilde{\omega}}(O_i^\mu(m_{-i}^x))$, then $m^x \in M$ is also an RNE at $\tilde{\theta}$.

Thus, by (ii) of implementation in RNE, $x \in f(\tilde{\theta})$, a contradiction.

Proof of Theorem 1 - II

Safe-consistency:

- Suppose $\mu = (M, g)$ safely implements f in RNE. So, for all θ and all $x \in f(\theta)$, there is $m^x \in M$ such that $g(m^x) = x$ and $x \in \bigcap_{i \in N, \omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)} C_i^\omega(O_i^\mu(m_{-i}^x))$.
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- For (iii) of safe-consistency, suppose $x \in f(\theta)$ and $x \notin f(\tilde{\theta})$, $\theta, \tilde{\theta} \in \Theta$.

If there is $\tilde{\omega} \in \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta})$ such that $x \in \bigcap_{i \in N} C_i^{\tilde{\omega}}(S_i(x, \theta)) = \bigcap_{i \in N} C_i^{\tilde{\omega}}(O_i^\mu(m_{-i}^x))$.

Thus, by (ii) of safe implementation in RNE, $x \in f(\tilde{\theta})$, a contradiction.

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Proof of Theorem 2

Theorem 2 - (i)

- Suppose the planner with knowledge \mathcal{K} infers there is $\mathbf{S} \equiv (S_i(x, \theta))_{i, \theta, x \in f(\theta)}$ reliably-consistent with f and $\mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta}) \subset \mathcal{K}(\theta)$ with $\theta, \tilde{\theta} \in \Theta$.
- By (i) of reliable-consistency, $x \in f(\theta)$ implies $x \in \bigcap_{i \in N, \omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)} C_i^\omega(S_i(x, \theta))$.
- As $\mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta}) \subset \mathcal{K}(\theta)$, $x \in \bigcap_{i \in N, \tilde{\omega} \in \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta})} C_i^{\tilde{\omega}}(S_i(x, \theta))$.
- Thus, $x \notin f(\tilde{\theta})$ produces a contradiction to (ii) of reliable-consistency.
- Therefore, $x \in f(\tilde{\theta})$.

Proof of Theorem 2

Theorem 2 - (ii)

- Suppose the planner with knowledge \mathcal{K} infers there is $\mathbf{S} \equiv (S_i(x, \theta))_{i, \theta, x \in f(\theta)}$ safely-consistent with f and there is $\omega^* \in \mathcal{K}(\theta) \cap \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta}) = \emptyset$ with $\theta, \tilde{\theta} \in \Theta$.
- By (i) of safe-consistency, $x \in f(\theta)$ implies $x \in \bigcap_{i \in N, \omega \in \mathcal{K}(\theta)} C_i^\omega(S_i(x, \theta))$ and hence $x \in \bigcap_{i \in N} C_i^{\omega^*}(S_i(x, \theta))$.
- But, $x \notin f(\tilde{\theta})$ implies that for all $\tilde{\omega} \in \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta})$, $x \notin \bigcap_{i \in N} C_i^{\tilde{\omega}}(S_i(x, \theta))$ which implies (on account of $\omega^* \in \mathcal{K}(\tilde{\theta})$) $x \notin \bigcap_{i \in N} C_i^{\omega^*}(S_i(x, \theta))$, a contradiction.
- Hence, $x \in f(\tilde{\theta})$. As θ and $\tilde{\theta}$ can be interchanged, we obtain $f(\theta) = f(\tilde{\theta})$.

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Proof of Theorem 3

Suppose that given \mathcal{K} and f , the planner infers that

- the environment is economic (*strictly economic*) and that
- there is $\mathbf{S} := (S_i(x, \theta))_{i, \theta, x \in f(\theta)}$ reliably-consistent (*safely-consistent*) with f .

We use the *canonical mechanism* $\mu = (M, g)$:

- $M_i := \Theta \times X \times \mathbb{N}$, where $m_i = (\theta^{(i)}, x^{(i)}, k^{(i)}) \in M_i$.
- The *outcome function* $g : M \rightarrow X$ is given by

Rule 1 : $g(m) = x$

Rule 2 : $g(m) = \begin{cases} x' & \text{if } x' \in S_j(x, \theta) \\ x & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

Rule 3 : $g(m) = x^{(i^*)}$ where
 $i^* = \min\{j \in N : k^{(j)} \geq \max_{i' \in N} k^{(i')}\}$

if $m_i = (\theta, x, \cdot)$ for all $i \in N$

with $x \in f(\theta)$,

if $m_i = (\theta, x, \cdot)$ for all $i \in N \setminus \{j\}$

with $x \in f(\theta)$, and

$m_j = (\theta', x', \cdot) \neq (\theta, x, \cdot)$,

otherwise.

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An Example for the Reliability Criterion

Let $N = \{1, 2\}$, $X = \{x, y, z\}$, $\Theta = \{\theta_1, \theta_2\}$ and $\Omega_i = \{\omega_{i1}, \omega_{i2}, \omega_{i3}\}$ for $i = 1, 2$ with

- $\mathcal{K}(\theta_1) = \{(\omega_{11}, \omega_{21}), (\omega_{11}, \omega_{22}), (\omega_{12}, \omega_{21}), (\omega_{12}, \omega_{22})\}$ and
- $\mathcal{K}(\theta_2) = \{(\omega_{12}, \omega_{22}), (\omega_{12}, \omega_{23}), (\omega_{13}, \omega_{22}), (\omega_{13}, \omega_{23})\}$.
- The given SCC f is s.t. $f(\theta_1) = \{x, y\}$ and $f(\theta_2) = \{z\}$.
- A CSCS associated with f , Φ_f , could be $\Phi_{f, \theta_1} = \{\langle x, x, x, x \rangle, \langle y, y, y, x \rangle\}$ and $\Phi_{f, \theta_2} = \{\langle z, z, z, z \rangle\}$.
(e.g., $\langle y, y, y, x \rangle$ denotes the function on $\mathcal{K}(\theta_1)$ which maps the payoff state $(\omega_{12}, \omega_{22})$ to x and all the other payoff states in $\mathcal{K}(\theta_1)$ to y).

An Example for the Reliability Criterion

Let $N = \{1, 2\}$, $X = \{x, y, z\}$, $\Theta = \{\theta_1, \theta_2\}$ and $\Omega_i = \{\omega_{i1}, \omega_{i2}, \omega_{i3}\}$ for $i = 1, 2$ with

- $\mathcal{K}(\theta_1) = \{(\omega_{11}, \omega_{21}), (\omega_{11}, \omega_{22}), (\omega_{12}, \omega_{21}), (\omega_{12}, \omega_{22})\}$ and
- $\mathcal{K}(\theta_2) = \{(\omega_{12}, \omega_{22}), (\omega_{12}, \omega_{23}), (\omega_{13}, \omega_{22}), (\omega_{13}, \omega_{23})\}$.
- The given SCC f is s.t. $f(\theta_1) = \{x, y\}$ and $f(\theta_2) = \{z\}$.
- The **CSCS associated with f that satisfies the reliability criterion**, $\bar{\Phi}_f$, is uniquely determined.
- In this example, $\bar{\Phi}_{f, \theta_1} = \{\langle x, x, x, x \rangle, \langle y, y, y, y \rangle\}$ and $\bar{\Phi}_{f, \theta_2} = \{\langle z, z, z, z \rangle\}$.

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Implementation in ECE implies Implementation in PECE

- $N = \{1, 2\}$, $X = \{x, y\}$, $\Theta = \{\theta_1, \theta_2\}$, Ω_i equals all strict rankings of $\{x, y\}$ (where xy means that i strictly prefers x to y).
- $\mathcal{K}_i(\theta_1) = \{xy, yx\}$, and $\mathcal{K}_i(\theta_2) = \{xy\}$ for all $i = 1, 2$.
- The SCC f is such that $f(\theta_1) = \{y\}$ and $f(\theta_2) = \{x, y\}$.
- The following mechanism implements f in **PECE** but **not in ECE**:

		Individual 2	
		a_1	a_2
Individual 1	a_1	x	y
	a_2	y	y

- This mechanism has a **'bad' ECE** that varies with an individuals' payoff type.

A 'bad' ECE

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- The SCC f is such that $f(\theta_1) = \{y\}$ and $f(\theta_2) = \{x, y\}$.
- Let σ^* be s.t. $\sigma_{i\theta_1}^*(xy) = a_1$, $\sigma_{i\theta_1}^*(yx) = a_2$, and $\sigma_{i\theta_2}^*(xy) = a_1$, $i = 1, 2$.
- σ^* is an ECE s.t. $g(\sigma_{\theta_1}^*(xy, xy)) = x \notin f(\theta_1) = \{y\}$ with $(xy, xy) \in \mathcal{K}(\theta_1)$.

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Concluding Remarks

- We *formalize* the *implementation problem with missing data*,
- *propose* a suitable *notion of equilibrium* along with resulting concepts of (full) implementation,
- *obtain necessary conditions* that are *sufficient* in economic environments,
- *establish* that *more information enriches implementation opportunities*,
- *analyze* implementability of a suitable *efficiency* notion.