

Online Appendix to "A Structural Theorem for Rationalizability in the Normal Form of Dynamic Games"

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Abstract

Omitted proofs for results in "A Structural Theorem for Rationalizability in the Normal Form of Dynamic Games" [Chen \(2011\)](#) are presented.

A Online Appendix

Lemmas 1 and 2 are the counterparts of Lemmas 6 and 7 of WY under RURA. Before we present their proofs, we provide some sketches for readers who are familiar with WY's arguments. WY prove their Lemma 7 by induction on k . Their Richness assumption guarantees that when $k = 0$, i.e., when it is vacuously true that $\tilde{t}_i^{k'} = t_i^{k'}$ for all $k' \leq k$, choosing \tilde{t}_i with $\tilde{t}_i[\theta^{s_i}] = 1$ proves the claim. Here when $k = 0$, we use RURA to set \tilde{t}_i to be a finite type with $S_i^\infty[t_i] = \{s_i\}$. This is possible because finite types are dense in T_i^* (see ([Mertens and Zamir, 1985](#), Theorem 3.1)) and $S_i^\infty[\cdot]$ is a nonempty and upper hemicontinuous correspondence (see [Dekel et al. \(2006\)](#)). In words, WY start the "infection argument" from the

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dominance regions, while we start it from the "types with unique ICR actions" defined by RURA. The proof of the induction step is similar to WY.

The modification of Lemma 6 is as follows. Let t_i be a finite type contained in the model $(\Theta \times T, \kappa)$ and $s_i \in S_i^\infty [t_i]$. Suppose that s_i is a best reply to $\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-i}} \pi^{t_i, s_i}$ for some π^{t_i, s_i} which is valid for t_i . WY make s_i a strict best reply $t_i(m)$ by setting the belief of $t_i(m)$ to be the $(1 - \frac{1}{m}, \frac{1}{m})$ -mixture between π^{t_i, s_i} and some belief π which assigns probability 1 to θ^{s_i} . In our case, since s_i is the unique rationalizable action for some type by RURA, s_i is also a strict best reply to some belief π^{s_i} whose support contains only uniquely rationalizable actions which by RURA are also strict best replies to some other beliefs, and so on.

A.1 Proof of Lemma 1

To prove Lemma 1, we need the following lemma which is a straightforward consequence of RURA.

Lemma 1 *Under RURA, for each i and each s_i such that $s_i \in S_i^\infty [t'_i]$ for some $t'_i \in T_i^*$, there is some $\pi^{s_i} \in \Delta(\Theta \times S_{-i})$ such that $\{s_i\} = BR_i(\pi^{s_i})$, and moreover, $\pi^{s_i}(s_{-i}) > 0$ only if $s_{-i} \in S_{-i}^\infty [t_{-i}]$ for some $t_{-i} \in T_{-i}^*$.*

Proof. Since $s_i \in S_i^\infty [t'_i]$ for some t'_i , by RURA, $S_i^\infty [t'_i] = \{s_i\}$ for some type t_i . Hence, $\{s_i\} = BR_i(\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-i}} \pi^{t_i, s_i})$ for some valid π^{t_i, s_i} for t_i . Let $\pi^{s_i} = \text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-i}} \pi^{t_i, s_i}$ and hence $\{s_i\} = BR_i(\pi^{s_i})$. Since $\pi^{t_i, s_i}(\{(\theta, t_{-i}, s_{-i}) : s_{-i} \in S_{-i}^\infty [t_{-i}]\}) = 1$, $\pi^{s_i}(s_{-i}) > 0$ only if $s_{-i} \in S_{-i}^\infty [t_{-i}]$ for some $t_{-i} \in T_{-i}^*$. ■

We now prove Lemma 1.

Lemma 1 *Under RURA, for any finite type $t_i \in T_i^*$ and any action $s_i \in S_i^\infty [t_i]$, there exists a sequence of finite models $((\Theta \times T^m, \kappa^m))_{m=1}^\infty$ and a sequence of finite types $(t_i(m))_{m=1}^\infty$ such that $t_i(m) \in T_i^m$ and $s_i \in V_i^m [t_i(m)]$ for some profile of correspondences $(V_j^m)_{j \in N}$ with $V_j^m : T_j^m \rightrightarrows S_j$ which satisfies the strict best reply property, for all m , and $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_i(m) = t_i$.*

Proof. Consider any $s_j \in S_j^\infty [t_j]$, $s_j \in BR_j(\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-j}} \pi^{t_j, s_j})$ for some valid π^{t_j, s_j} for t_j . Moreover, by Lemma 1, there is some $\pi^{s_j} \in \Delta(\Theta \times S_{-j})$ such that $\{s_j\} = BR_j(\pi^{s_j})$, and

moreover, $\pi^{s_j}(s_{-j}) > 0$ only if $s_{-j} \in S_{-j}^\infty[t_{-j}]$ for some $t_{-j} \in T_{-j}^*$.

We now define $(\Theta \times T^m, \kappa^m)$ as follows.¹

$$T_j^m = \left\{ \bar{\tau}_j(t_j, s_j, m) : t_j \in T_j, s_j \in S_j^\infty[t_j] \right\} \cup \left\{ \bar{\tau}_j(\theta, s_j) : \theta \in \Theta, s_j \in S_j^\infty[t_j] \text{ for some } t_j \in T_j^* \right\}.$$

$\kappa_{\bar{\tau}_j(t_j, s_j, m)}^m$ and $\kappa_{\bar{\tau}_j(\theta, s_j)}^m$ are defined respectively by

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_{\bar{\tau}_j(t_j, s_j, m)}^m &= \left(\frac{1}{m} \right) \pi^{s_j} \circ \hat{\eta}_{-j}^{-1} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{m} \right) \pi^{t_j, s_j} \circ \hat{\tau}_{-j, m}^{-1}; \\ \kappa_{\bar{\tau}_j(\theta, s_j)}^m &= \pi^{s_j} \circ \hat{\eta}_{-j}^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\tau}_{-j, m} &: (\theta, t_{-j}, s_{-j}) \mapsto (\theta, \bar{\tau}_{-j}(t_{-j}, s_{-j}, m)), \forall (\theta, t_{-j}, s_{-j}) \text{ s.t. } t_{-j} \in T_{-j}, s_{-j} \in S_{-j}^\infty[t_{-j}], \\ \hat{\eta}_{-j} &: (\theta, s_{-j}) \mapsto (\theta, \bar{\tau}_{-j}(\theta, s_{-j})), \forall (\theta, s_{-j}) \text{ s.t. } s_{-j} \in S_{-j}^\infty[t_{-j}] \text{ for some } t_{-j} \in T_{-j}^*. \end{aligned}$$

For each $\bar{\tau}_j(t_j, s_j, m)$, define the belief

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\pi} &= \left(\frac{1}{m} \right) \pi^{s_j} \circ \hat{\eta}_{-j}^{-1} \circ \xi^{-1} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{m} \right) \pi^{t_j, s_j} \circ \hat{\tau}_{-j, m}^{-1} \circ \gamma^{-1} \in \Delta(\Theta \times T_{-j}^m \times S_{-j}) \text{ where} \\ \gamma &: (\theta, \bar{\tau}_{-j}(t_{-j}, s_{-j}, m)) \mapsto (\theta, \bar{\tau}_{-j}(t_{-j}, s_{-j}, m), s_{-j}); \\ \xi &: (\theta, \bar{\tau}_{-j}(\theta, s_{-j})) \mapsto (\theta, \bar{\tau}_{-j}(\theta, s_{-j}), s_{-j}). \end{aligned}$$

That is, $\bar{\tau}_j(t_j, s_j, m)$ believes that s_{-j} is played at each $(\theta, \bar{\tau}_{-j}(t_{-j}, s_{-j}, m))$ and s'_{-j} is played at each $(\theta, \bar{\tau}_{-j}(\theta, s'_{-j}))$. Then, by construction,

$$\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-j}} \hat{\pi} = \left(\frac{1}{m} \right) \pi^{s_j} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{m} \right) \text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-j}} \pi^{t_j, s_j}.$$

Since $s_j \in BR_j(\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-j}} \pi^{t_j, s_j})$, $\{s_j\} = BR_j(\pi^{s_j})$, and $\frac{1}{m} \in (0, 1]$, $\{s_j\} = BR_j(\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-j}} \hat{\pi})$. Similarly, for each $\bar{\tau}_j(\theta, s_j)$ define the belief

$$\tilde{\pi} = \pi^{s_j} \circ \hat{\eta}_{-j}^{-1} \circ \xi^{-1} \in \Delta(\Theta \times T_{-j}^m \times S_{-j}).$$

Then, by construction, $\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-j}} \tilde{\pi} = \pi^{s_j}$. Hence, $\{s_j\} = BR_j(\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-j}} \tilde{\pi})$. Thus, if we define

$$\begin{aligned} V_j^m[\bar{\tau}_j(t_j, s_j, m)] &= \{s_j\}, \forall \bar{\tau}_j(t_j, s_j, m), \forall j; \\ V_j^m[\bar{\tau}_j(\theta, s_j)] &= \{s_j\}, \forall \bar{\tau}_j(\theta, s_j), \forall j, \end{aligned}$$

¹If Θ is an infinite compact metric space and t_i is in a finite model $(\Theta' \times T, \kappa)$, we replace $(\Theta \times T^m, \kappa^m)$ in the proof by $(\Theta' \times T^m, \kappa^m)$ where $\Theta' = \bar{\Theta} \cup \{\theta \in \Theta' : \kappa_{t_j}[\theta] > 0 \text{ for some } t_j \in T_j \text{ and } j \in N\}$ and $\bar{\Theta}$ is defined in RURA' in (Chen, 2011, Section A.1).

then $V_j^m[\cdot]$ has the strict best reply property stated in the model $(\Theta \times T^m, \kappa^m)$.

It remains to show that $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bar{\tau}_j(t_j, s_j, m) = t_j$. By construction, each probability distribution is continuous in (t_j, s_j, m) . Hence, by Lemma 4 of WY, $h_j(\bar{\tau}_j(t_j, s_j, m)) \rightarrow h_j(\bar{\tau}_j(t_j, s_j, 0))$ (in product topology) as $m \rightarrow \infty$. The proof that $h_j(\bar{\tau}_j(t_j, s_j, 0)) = h_j(t_j)$ for each t_j and j is exactly the same as that in (Weinstein and Yildiz, 2007, Lemma 6). ■

A.2 Proof of Lemma 2

Lemma 2 *Let $(\Theta \times T, \kappa)$ be a finite model. Under RURA, for any type $t_i \in T_i$, any action $s_i \in V_i[t_i]$ for some profile of correspondences $(V_j)_{j \in N}$ with $V_j : T_j \rightrightarrows S_j$ which satisfies the strict best reply property, and any integer $k \geq 1$, there exists a finite type \tilde{t}_i such that $\tilde{t}_i^{k'} = t_i^{k'}$ for all $k' \leq k$ and $S_i^\infty[\tilde{t}_i] = \{s_i\}$.*

Proof. We prove this claim by induction on k . First, suppose that $s_i \in V_i[t_i]$ for some profile of correspondences $(V_j)_{j \in N}$ with $V_j : T_j \rightrightarrows S_j$ which satisfies the strict best reply property. A correspondence which has the strict best reply property clearly has the best reply property (as defined in Dekel et al. (2007)). Hence, $s_i \in S_i^\infty[t_i]$. By RURA, there is a finite type \tilde{t}_i such that $S_i^\infty[\tilde{t}_i] = \{s_i\}$.

Now fix any $k > 0$ and any $i \in N$. Write each t_{-i} as $t_{-i} = (l, h)$, where

$$l = (t_{-i}^1, t_{-i}^2, \dots, t_{-i}^{k-1}) \quad \text{and} \quad h = (t_{-i}^k, t_{-i}^{k+1}, \dots)$$

are the lower- and higher-order beliefs, respectively. Let $L = \{l \mid \exists h : (l, h) \in T_{-i}^*\}$. The induction hypothesis is that for each finite $t_{-i} = (l, h)$ and each $s_{-i} \in V_{-i}[t_{-i}]$, there exists finite type $\tilde{t}_{-i}[s_{-i}] = (l, \tilde{h}[l, s_{-i}])$ such that

$$S_{-i}^\infty[\tilde{t}_{-i}[s_{-i}]] = \{s_{-i}\}. \tag{IH}$$

Take any $s_i \in V_i[t_i]$ for some finite type $t_i \in T_i^*$. We will construct a finite type \tilde{t}_i as in the lemma. Since $(V_j)_{j \in N}$ satisfies the strict best reply property, $BR_i(\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-i}} \pi) = \{s_i\}$ for some $\pi \in \Delta(\Theta \times T_{-i} \times S_{-i})$ such that $\text{marg}_{\Theta \times T_{-i}^*} \pi = \kappa_{t_i}$ and $\pi(s_{-i} \in V_{-i}[t_{-i}]) = 1$.

Using the induction hypothesis, define the mapping $\mu : \text{support}(\text{marg}_{\Theta \times L \times S_{-i}} \pi) \rightarrow \Theta \times T_{-i}^*$, by

$$\mu : (\theta, l, s_{-i}) \rightarrow (\theta, \tilde{t}_{-i}[s_{-i}]),$$

where type $\tilde{t}_{-i}[s_{-i}] = (l, \tilde{h}[l, s_{-i}])$ is as in (IH). Define \tilde{t}_i by

$$\kappa_{\tilde{t}_i} \equiv (\text{marg}_{\Theta \times L \times S_{-i}} \pi) \circ \mu^{-1}.$$

As (Weinstein and Yildiz, 2007, pp.395-396), we can verify that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{marg}_{\Theta \times L} \kappa_{\tilde{t}_i} &= \pi \circ \text{proj}_{\Theta \times L \times S_{-i}}^{-1} \circ \mu^{-1} \circ \text{proj}_{\Theta \times L}^{-1} \\ &= \pi \circ \text{proj}_{\Theta \times L}^{-1} = \pi \circ \text{proj}_{\Theta \times T_{-i}^*}^{-1} \circ \text{proj}_{\Theta \times L}^{-1} \\ &= \text{marg}_{\Theta \times L} \kappa_{t_i}. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, by (IH), each (θ, t_{-i}) on the support of $\kappa_{\tilde{t}_i}$ which is of the form $(\theta, \tilde{t}_{-i}[s_{-i}])$ and $\tilde{t}_{-i}[s_{-i}]$ has the unique rationalizable action s_{-i} . Thus, there exists a unique $\tilde{\pi}$ which is valid for \tilde{t}_i . This belief is $\tilde{\pi} = \kappa_{\tilde{t}_i} \circ \gamma^{-1}$ where $\gamma : (\theta, \tilde{t}_{-i}[s_{-i}]) \mapsto (\theta, \tilde{t}_{-i}[s_{-i}], s_{-i})$. By construction,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{marg}_{\Theta \times L \times S_{-i}} \tilde{\pi} &= \pi \circ \text{proj}_{\Theta \times L \times S_{-i}}^{-1} \circ \mu^{-1} \circ \gamma^{-1} \circ \text{proj}_{\Theta \times L \times S_{-i}}^{-1} \\ &= \pi \circ \text{proj}_{\Theta \times L \times S_{-i}}^{-1} \\ &= \text{marg}_{\Theta \times L \times S_{-i}} \pi \end{aligned}$$

where the second equality follows because $\text{proj}_{\Theta \times L \times S_{-i}} \circ \gamma \circ \mu$ is the identity mapping on $\text{support}(\text{marg}_{\Theta \times L \times S_{-i}} \pi)$. However, s_i is the only best reply to the belief $\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-i}} \pi$ which is the same as $\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-i}} \tilde{\pi}$. Hence, $S_i^\infty[\tilde{t}_i] = \{s_i\}$. Finally, \tilde{t}_i is indeed a finite type since $\text{support} \kappa_{\tilde{t}_i}$ is a finite set and consists entirely of finite types. ■

A.3 Proof of Lemma 3

In this proof, we only require that Θ is a compact metric space equipped with metric d^0 . Let $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ denote a generic player. Recall that the universal type space T_j^* endowed with the product topology is a compact metrizable space. The compatible metric d_j on T_j^* used in the proof is the one obtained from the Prohorov distance between beliefs of the same order.² Specifically, for any $t_j, t'_j \in T_j^*$, let $d_j^1(t_j^1, t_j'^1)$ be the Prohorov distance between t_j^1 and

²Let Y be an arbitrary compact metric space endowed with metric ρ and the Borel σ -algebra. For any two $\mu, \mu' \in \Delta(Y)$, the Prohorov distance between μ and μ' is defined as

$$d(\mu, \mu') = \inf \{ \varepsilon > 0 : \mu(E) \leq \mu'(E^\varepsilon) + \varepsilon \text{ for all Borel set } E \subseteq Y \}$$

t_j^1 (recall $t_j^1, t_j^1 \in \Delta(\Theta)$). Recursively, for any integer $k \geq 2$, and $t_j, t_j' \in T_j^*$, let $d_j^k(t_j^k, t_j'^k)$ be the Prohorov distance between t_j^k and $t_j'^k$ where $t_j^k, t_j'^k \in \Delta(\Theta \times T_{-j}^{k-1})$ in which T_{-j}^{k-1} is the space of all $(k-1)^{th}$ -order beliefs of player j 's opponents and $\Theta \times T_{-j}^{k-1}$ is equipped with the metric ρ_{-j}^{k-1} defined as $\rho_{-j}^{k-1}((\theta, t_{-j}^{k-1}), (\theta', t_{-j}'^{k-1})) \equiv \max(d^0(\theta, \theta'), \max_{j' \neq j} d_{j'}^{k-1}(t_{j'}^{k-1}, t_{j'}'^{k-1}))$. Let $d_j(t_j, t_j') \equiv \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{-k} d_j^k(t_j^k, t_j'^k)$, i.e., d_j is the product metric which metrizes the product topology on T_j^* .

Lemma 3 *For any type $\bar{t}_i \in T_i^*$, there is a sequence of finite types $(t_i(m))_{m=1}^{\infty}$ such that $S_i^{\infty}[t_i(m)] = S_i^{\infty}[\bar{t}_i]$ for all m and $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} t_i(m) = \bar{t}_i$.*

Proof. We divide the proof into three steps.

Step 1. Construct the sequence of finite types.

Since T_j^* is a compact metric space, for each natural number m , T_j^* can be covered by finitely many open balls with radius $1/2m$. Let $\mathcal{T}_{j,m}$ be the finite measurable partition of T_j^* induced from these open balls and thus for any $T_j \in \mathcal{T}_{j,m}$, and t_j and t_j' in T_j , $d_j(t_j, t_j') < 1/m$. Second, let $\mathcal{T}_{j,0}$ be the finite measurable partition induced by rationalizable sets, i.e., for any $T_j \in \mathcal{T}_{j,0}$, $t_j, t_j' \in T_j$ iff $S_j^{\infty}[t_j] = S_j^{\infty}[t_j']$.³ Let $\tilde{\mathcal{T}}_{j,m}$ be the join (coarsest common refinement) of $\mathcal{T}_{j,0}$ and $\mathcal{T}_{j,m}$. Let $f_{j,m} : T_j^* \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{T}}_{j,m}$ be the mapping such that $f_{j,m}(t_j) = \tilde{t}_{j,m}$ iff $t_j \in \tilde{t}_{j,m}$. Moreover, for each $\tilde{t}_{j,m} \in \tilde{\mathcal{T}}_{j,m}$, select arbitrarily a type $t_{j,m} \in \tilde{t}_{j,m}$. It follows that

$$d_j(t_j, t_{j,m}) < 1/m, \forall t_j \in \tilde{t}_{j,m}. \quad (1)$$

Define a sequence of finite models $\left((\Theta \times \tilde{T}^m, \tilde{\kappa}^m) \right)_{m=1}^{\infty}$ by letting $\tilde{T}_j^m \equiv \tilde{\mathcal{T}}_{j,m}$, and for each $\tilde{t}_{j,m} \in \tilde{T}_j^m$,

$$\tilde{\kappa}_{\tilde{t}_{j,m}}^m [(\theta, \tilde{t}_{-j,m})] \equiv \kappa_{t_{j,m}}^* [\{(\theta, t_{-j}) : f_{-j,m}(t_{-j}) = \tilde{t}_{-j,m}\}], \forall (\theta, \tilde{t}_{-j,m}) \in \Theta \times \tilde{T}_{-j}^m. \quad (2)$$

Note $\tilde{t}_{j,m}$ denotes both a subset of T_j^* and a type in the model $(\Theta \times \tilde{T}^m, \tilde{\kappa}^m)$. We will write $\tilde{t}_{j,m} \in \tilde{\mathcal{T}}_{j,m}$ for the former and $\tilde{t}_{j,m} \in \tilde{T}_j^m$ for the latter when necessary. Let $\bar{t}_i(m) \equiv f_{i,m}(\bar{t}_i)$

where $A^\varepsilon \equiv \{y \in Y : \inf_{y' \in E} \rho(y, y') < \varepsilon\}$. It is known that the Prohorov metric metrizes the weak*-topology on $\Delta(Y)$ (see (Dudley, 2002, 11.3.3. Theorem)).

³Measurability follows from upper hemicontinuity (u.h.c.) of $S_j^{\infty}[\cdot]$: If $A_j' \subseteq A_j$ is 1-minimal in the sense that there is no type t_j with $S_j^{\infty}[t_j] \subsetneq A_j'$, then u.h.c. implies $\{t_j : S_j^{\infty}[t_j] = A_j'\} = \{t_j : S_j^{\infty}[t_j] \subseteq A_j'\}$ is open and hence measurable; if $A_j' \subseteq A_j$ is 2-minimal in the sense that $S_j^{\infty}[t_j] \subsetneq A_j'$ iff $S_j^{\infty}[t_j]$ is 1-minimal then $\{t_j : S_j^{\infty}[t_j] = A_j'\} = \{t_j : S_j^{\infty}[t_j] \subseteq A_j'\} \setminus \{t_j : S_j^{\infty}[t_j] \text{ is 1-minimal}\}$ is measurable, and so on. Since A_j is a finite set, every $S_j^{\infty}[t_j]$ is k -minimal for some k and thus $\{t_j : S_j^{\infty}[t_j] = A_j'\}$ is measurable, $\forall A_j' \subseteq A_j$.

for every m . Step 2 and Step 3 below show that $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bar{t}_i(m) = \bar{t}_i$ and $S_i^\infty[\bar{t}_i(m)] \supseteq S_i^\infty[\bar{t}_i]$ for all m . Since $S_i^\infty[\cdot]$ is upper hemicontinuous and $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bar{t}_i(m) = \bar{t}_i$, it follows that $S_i^\infty[\bar{t}_i(m)] = S_i^\infty[\bar{t}_i]$ for sufficiently large m , say $m \geq \bar{m}$. We then define $t_i(m) = \bar{t}_i(\bar{m} + m), \forall m$ and $(t_i(m))_{m=1}^\infty$ is the desired sequence.

Step 2. For each m and each $t_j \in T_j^*$, $S_j^\infty[f_{j,m}(t_j)] \supseteq S_j^\infty[t_j]$.

First, for each $\tilde{t}_{j,m} \in \tilde{T}_j^m$, we define $\bar{S}_j[\tilde{t}_{j,m}] = S_j^\infty[t_{j,m}]$. We show that $\bar{S}_j[\cdot]$ satisfies the best-reply property on the model $(\Theta \times \tilde{T}^m, \tilde{\kappa}^m)$ (see (Dekel et al., 2007, Definition 1)). To see this, suppose that $s_j \in \bar{S}_j[\tilde{t}_{j,m}]$. Since $\bar{S}_j[\tilde{t}_{j,m}] = S_j^\infty[t_{j,m}]$, $s_j \in S_j^\infty[t_{j,m}]$. Thus, $s_j \in BR_j(\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-j}} \pi)$ for some $\pi \in \Delta(\Theta \times T_{-j}^* \times S_{-j})$ which is valid for $t_{j,m}$.

Define $\tilde{\pi} \in \Delta(\Theta \times \tilde{T}_{-j}^m \times S_{-j})$ such that

$$\tilde{\pi}[(\theta, \tilde{t}_{-j,m}, s_{-j})] \equiv \pi(\{(\theta, t_{-j}, s_{-j}) : f_{-j,m}(t_{-j}) = \tilde{t}_{-j,m}\}), \forall (\theta, \tilde{t}_{-j,m}, s_{-j}) \quad (3)$$

Since π is valid for $t_{j,m}$, $\text{marg}_{\Theta \times T_{-j}^*} \pi = \kappa_{t_{j,m}}^*$. Hence, by (2), $\text{marg}_{\Theta \times \tilde{T}_{-j}^m} \tilde{\pi} = \tilde{\kappa}_{\tilde{t}_{-j,m}}^m$. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} & \tilde{\pi}(\{(\theta, \tilde{t}_{-j,m}, s_{-j}) : s_{-j} \in \bar{S}_{-j}[\tilde{t}_{-j,m}]\}) \\ &= \pi(\{(\theta, t_{-j}, s_{-j}) : f_{-j,m}(t_{-j}) = \tilde{t}_{-j,m} \text{ and } s_{-j} \in \bar{S}_{-j}[\tilde{t}_{-j,m}]\}) \\ &= \pi(\{(\theta, t_{-j}, s_{-j}) : f_{-j,m}(t_{-j}) = \tilde{t}_{-j,m} \text{ and } s_{-j} \in S_{-j}^\infty[t_{-j,m}]\}) \\ &= \pi(\{(\theta, t_{-j}, s_{-j}) : s_{-j} \in S_{-j}^\infty[t_{-j}]\}) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

where the first equality follows from (3), the second follows because $\bar{S}_{-j}[\tilde{t}_{-j,m}] = S_{-j}^\infty[t_{-j,m}]$, the third follows because every $t_{-j} \in \tilde{t}_{-j,m}$ has the same rationalizable set as $t_{-j,m}$, and the last is because π is valid for $t_{j,m}$. Finally, since $s_j \in BR_j(\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-j}} \pi)$ and $\tilde{\pi}$ and π have the same marginal distribution on $\Theta \times S_{-j}$, it follows that $s_j \in BR_j(\text{marg}_{\Theta \times S_{-j}} \tilde{\pi})$. Hence, $\bar{S}_j[\cdot]$ satisfies the best-reply property on $(\Theta \times \tilde{T}^m, \tilde{\kappa}^m)$. Thus, by (Dekel et al., 2007, Proposition 4), $\bar{S}_j[\tilde{t}_{j,m}] \subseteq S_j^\infty[\tilde{t}_{j,m}]$, and moreover, since $\bar{S}_j[\tilde{t}_{j,m}] = S_j^\infty[t_{j,m}]$, we obtain $S_j^\infty[t_{j,m}] \subseteq S_j^\infty[\tilde{t}_{j,m}]$ and because every $t_j \in \tilde{t}_{j,m}$ has the same rationalizable set as $t_{j,m}$, we get $S_j^\infty[t_j] \subseteq S_j^\infty[f_{j,m}(t_j)]$.

Step 3. $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{t_j \in T_j^*} d_j(f_{j,m}(t_j), t_j) = 0$.

For each $t_j \in T_j^*$, let $\tilde{t}_{j,m} = f_{j,m}(t_j)$. We show that the k^{th} -order belief of $\tilde{t}_{j,m}$ (viewed as a type in the model $(\Theta \times \tilde{T}^m, \tilde{\kappa}^m)$) converges to t_j^k and the convergence is uniform in t_j . We

prove this by induction on k . For $k = 1$, observe that by (2) $\tilde{t}_{j,m}^1 = t_{j,m}^1$. By (1), $d_j(t_j, \tilde{t}_{j,m}) = d_j(t_j, t_{j,m}) < 1/m$, and since $d_j^1(\tilde{t}_{j,m}^1, t_j^1) \leq d_j(\tilde{t}_{j,m}, t_j)$, $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{t_j \in T_j^*} d_j^1(\tilde{t}_{j,m}^1, t_j^1) = 0$.

Now consider $k > 1$. Let $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$ and we show that for sufficiently large m , $d_j^k(\tilde{t}_{j,m}^k, t_j^k) < \varepsilon$ for all $t_j \in T_j^*$. By the induction hypothesis, there is some $\bar{m}(\varepsilon)$ such that for any $m > \bar{m}(\varepsilon)$, $\max_{j' \neq j} d_{j'}^{k-1}(f_{j',m}(t_{j'})^{k-1}, t_{j'}^{k-1}) < \varepsilon/2$ for all $t_{-j} = (t_{j'})_{j' \neq j} \in T_{-j}^*$. Consider $m > \{2/\varepsilon, \bar{m}(\varepsilon)\}$. Recall that d_j^k is the Prohorov metric on the space of all k^{th} -order beliefs. Since $\tilde{t}_{j,m}$ is a finite type, it suffices to verify that for each $(\theta, \tilde{t}_{-j,m}^{k-1})$ in the support of $\tilde{t}_{j,m}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{t}_{j,m}^k [(\theta, \tilde{t}_{-j,m}^{k-1})] &= \kappa_{t_{j,m}}^* \left(\left\{ (\theta, t_{-j}) : f_{-j,m}(t_{-j})^{k-1} = \tilde{t}_{-j,m}^{k-1} \right\} \right) \\ &\leq \kappa_{t_{j,m}}^* \left((\theta, \tilde{t}_{-j,m}^{k-1})^{\varepsilon/2} \right) \\ &< t_j^k \left((\theta, \tilde{t}_{-j,m}^{k-1})^\varepsilon \right) + \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

where the first equality follows from (2); the first inequality follows because $f_{-j,m}(t_{-j})^{k-1} = \tilde{t}_{-j,m}^{k-1}$ implies $\max_{j' \neq j} d_{j'}^{k-1}(t_{j'}^{k-1}, \tilde{t}_{j',m}^{k-1}) < \varepsilon/2$ (since $m > \bar{m}(\varepsilon)$); the second follows because by (1), $d_j^k(t_{j,m}^k, t_j^k) < 1/m < \varepsilon/2$ (since $m > 2/\varepsilon$). Thus, for $m > \{2/\varepsilon, \bar{m}(\varepsilon)\}$, $d_j^k(f_{j,m}(t_j)^k, t_j^k) < \varepsilon$ for all $t_j \in T_j^*$. Since $\varepsilon > 0$ is arbitrary, the induction step follows. ■

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