

Perfect Half Space Games

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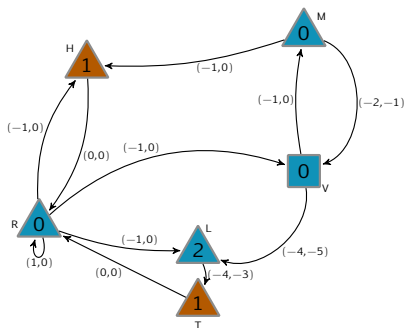
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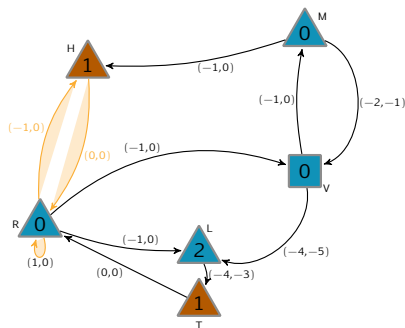
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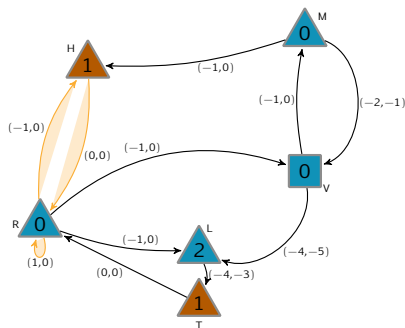
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REDUCTIONS AND STRATEGY TRANSFERS

multi-dimensional energy parity games

↓ (Jančar, RP '15)

extended multi-dimensional energy games (Brázdil et al., ICALP '10)

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bounding games (Jurdziński et al., ICALP '15)

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perfect half space games (this paper)

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lexicographic energy games (Colcombet and Niwiński)

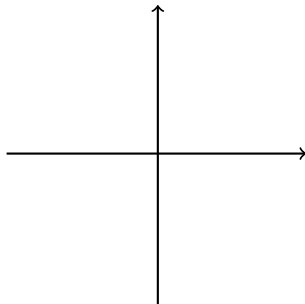
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mean-payoff games (Comin and Rizzi, Algorithmica '16)

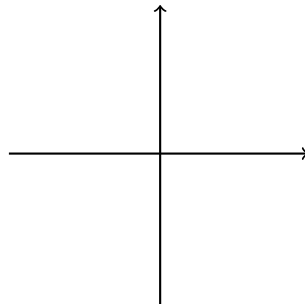
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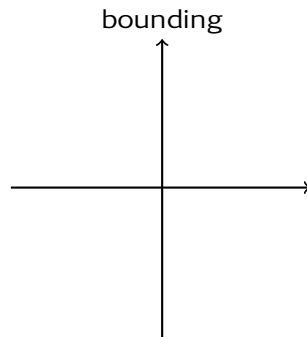
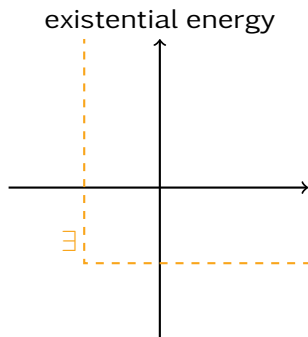


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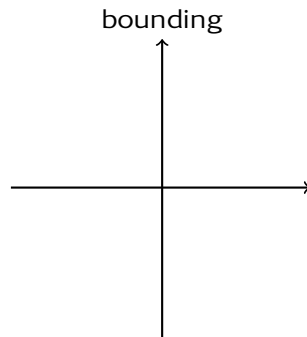
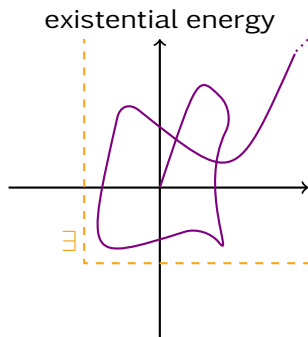
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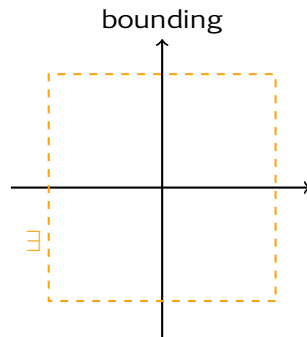
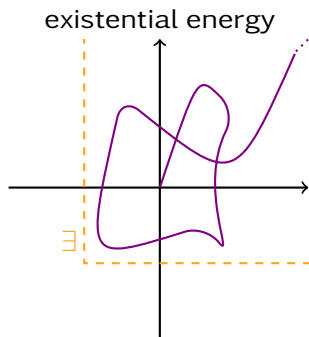
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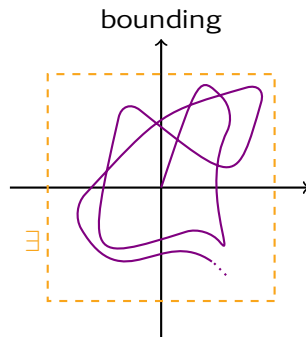
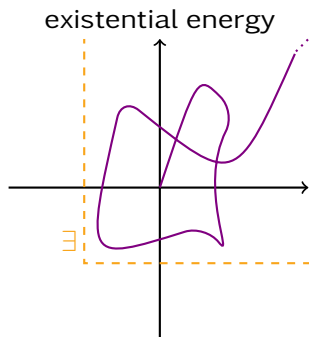
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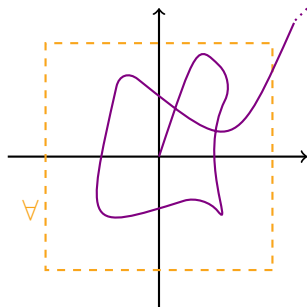
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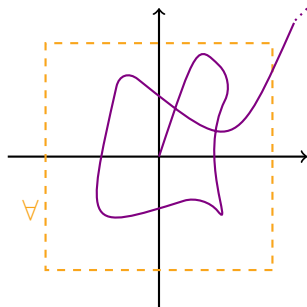


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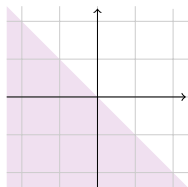


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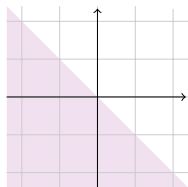
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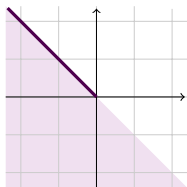


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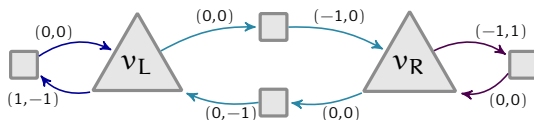
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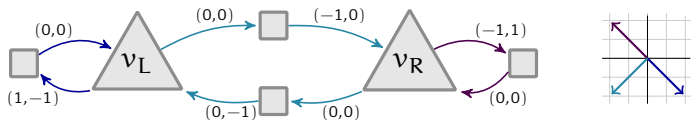
PLAYS

- ▶ pairs of vertices and perfect half spaces:

$$(v_0, \mathbf{H}_0) \xrightarrow{w_1} (v_1, \mathbf{H}_1) \xrightarrow{w_2} (v_2, \mathbf{H}_2) \cdots$$

- ▶ in his vertices, Player 2 chooses the current perfect half space

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- Player 2 wins if $\exists i$ s.t. $\sum_{j \geq 0} \mathbf{w}_j$ diverges into $\bigcap_{j > i} \mathbf{H}_j$

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