# Model Selection Accuracy in Behavioral Game Theory: A Simulation

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25 Years of QRE

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- Hopefully, cross-validation methods save the day

Let's simulate a model-selection exercise! (Inspiration: Salmon (2001) for learning models) Pick several popular behavioral GT models

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Always a correct model. "Best-case" scenario.

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#### Cross-validation solutions:

- ① Split the data (the games) into a "training" set and a "testing" set
- 2 Estimate parameters on training data
- 3 Measure likelihood on testing data
- 4 Repeat with different splits, take the average

#### Cross-Validation Methods

Our "subjects" play n = 12 games:  $G = \{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_{12}\}$ 

#### k-Fold Cross Validation:

- Randomly partition G into  $\{G_1, \ldots, G_k\}$  of equal sizes
  - Split is *iid* across subjects
- In each "fold"  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ ...
  - Training data:  $\bigcup_{j\neq i} G_j$
  - Testing data: G<sub>i</sub>
  - Calculate log-likelihood LL<sub>i</sub>
- Winning model: Maximum  $\frac{1}{k}\sum_{i}LL_{i}$

Two-Fold Cross Validation (2FCV): k = 2Leave-One-Out Cross Validation (LOOCV): k = n = 12

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Is there a consensus choice??

# Methodology

Twelve different symmetric 3 × 3 games. Games



- 6 games: unique pure NE
- 6 games: unique totally mixed NE
- Based on Stahl and Wilson (1995)
- Seven competing models (e.g., Level-k, QRE)
- For each model, generate a dataset
  - Dataset = 3000 simulated subjects playing the 12 games
  - Play according to the model (model = "DGP")
  - Each subject's parameters are *iid* draws
- Pick winning model for each subject via AIC, BIC, 2FCV, and LOOCV

**Q**: Does the DGP win for the vast majority of subjects in its dataset?

### Level-k (Nagel; Stahl & Wilson)

- Level 0:  $\sigma_i^0$  is uniform random
- Level 1:  $s_i^1 = BR_i(\sigma_i^0)$
- Level k:  $s_i^k = BR_i(s_j^{k-1})$ . Here:  $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \mathbb{N}\}$
- Base model is deterministic

• w/ spike-logit: 
$$\sigma_i^k = (1 - \epsilon) \mathbb{1}_{\{s_i^k\}} + \epsilon LR(s_j^{k-1}|\lambda)$$

Double-Counting Error (LKD)

Single-Counting Error (LKS)

 $\begin{aligned} \epsilon LR_2 \\ \mathbf{(1-\epsilon)} + \frac{\epsilon LR_1}{\epsilon LR_3} \end{aligned}$ 

$$\begin{array}{c} \epsilon LR'_2 \\ (1-\epsilon) \\ \epsilon LR'_3 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{2nd-best response} \\ \text{Best response} \\ 3rd-best response \end{array}$$

## Poisson Cognitive Hierarchy (Camerer, Ho & Chong)

- Level 0:  $\sigma_i^0$  is uniform random
- Level 1:  $s_i^1 = BR_i(\sigma_i^0)$
- Level k:  $s_i^k = BR$  to Poisson dist'n over  $\{\sigma_i^0, s_i^1, \dots, s_i^{k-1}\}$ . And  $k \leq 3$
- Base model is deterministic

• w/ spike-logit: 
$$\sigma_i^k = (1 - \epsilon) \mathbb{1}_{\{s_i^k\}} + \epsilon LR(s_j^{k-1}|\lambda)$$

2nd-best response

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Double-Counting Error (PCHD)

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### Hierarchical Quantal Response (HQR)

- Level 0:  $\sigma_i^0$  is uniform random
- Level 1:  $\sigma_i^1 = LR_i(\sigma_i^0|\lambda)$
- Level k:  $\sigma_i^k = LR_i(\sigma_i^{k-1}|\lambda)$
- Allow  $k \leq 3$
- Base model is not deterministic. No spike-logit needed.

### Quantal Level-k (QLK; Stahl & Wilson 1994)

- Level 0:  $\sigma_i^0$  is uniform random
- Level 1:  $\sigma_i^1 = LR_i(\sigma_i^0|\lambda^1)$
- Level 2's Belief:  $\sigma_i^{1(2)} = LR_i(\sigma_i^0|\lambda^{1(2)})$
- Level 2:  $\sigma_i^2 = LR_i(\sigma_i^{1(2)}|\lambda^2)$
- Only allow  $k \leq 2$
- Base model is not deterministic. No spike-logit needed.

# QRE (McKelvey & Palfrey 1995)

- You know it!
- Logit specification
- Principal branch
- Not deterministic. No spike-logit needed.

# **RESULTS** (finally)

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### Result-Across Model Selection Comparison

Result 1 No model-selection criterion guarantees high accuracy

(If models tie they share the win equally)								
DGP (# Param.)	LOOCV	2FCV	BIC	AIC				
LK Double (3)	21.48	22.62	0.72	0.93				
LK Single (3)	50.12	40.81	57.6	59.1				
PCH Double (4)	23.42	28.71	25.02	26.95				
PCH Single (4)	20.95	16.45	35.57	40.17				
QLK (4)	15.56	13.49	4.85	5.13				
HQR (2)	21.88	22.45	92.5	92.87				
QRE (1)	19.13	44.51	94.33	92.13				

Fraction of 3,000 subjects for which the DGP wins.

The Problem: Ties.

DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo	0.83	0.73	0.40	0.37	0.63	0.47	2.6
LK-Double	w/DGP	-	92.83	62.13	62.10	62.10	92.93	
	w/Other	92.97	0.07	0.77		0.17	0.17	

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DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo	3.43	44.93	2.63	4.23	2.2	3.97	10.23
LK-Single	w/DGP	21.87	-	16.63	17.9	16.63	21.83	1.57
	w/Other	2.87	23.13	1.83	0.2	2.73	2.93	

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DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo	3.1	1.57	3.7	1.7	7.4	4.47	4.6
PCH-Double	w/DGP	47.07	47.03	-	71.13	48.13	47.1	1.33
	w/Other	1.53	0.07	71.23	0.07	0.7	2.1	

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The Problem: Ties.

DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo	5.4	19.87	4.6	15.13	6.3	8	14.17
PCH-Single	w/DGP	11.93	13.17	19.47	-	12.53	11.93	0.6
	w/Other	3.73	0.1	1.97	20.7	2.67	3.5	

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## Result (LOOCV)

The Problem: Ties.

DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo	1.23	2.03			1.73	1.07	6.2
QLK	w/DGP	82.6	82.47	84.03	84.03	-	83.23	0.4
	w/Other	1.13	0.43	0.2	0.47	84.93	0.97	

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	solo	1.13	0.63	0.87	0.63	1.07	2.43	5.9
HQR	w/DGP	84	83.1	54.9	54.83	55.99	-	0.17
	w/Other	0.17	0.43	1.97	2.23	0.03	84.93	0.00

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DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo	42.53	0.9	0.53	0.67	1.6	1.73	19.13
QRE	w/DGP	0.00					0.00	-
	w/Other	31.43	31.47	1.13	1.23	0.83	0.83	0.00

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The Problem: Ties.

**Result 2** When selecting among similar models it is important to verify the frequency of model non-identification (ties). BIC table 2FCV table

DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo	42.53	0.9	0.53	0.67	1.6	1.73	19.13
QRE	w/DGP	0.00					0.00	-
	w/Other	31.43	31.47	1.13	1.23	0.83	0.83	0.00

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#### The Cause

Consider DGP = LK-Double with k = 2

- Game payoffs are relatively high (\$0-\$100)
- Even modest  $\lambda \Rightarrow$  near-perfect Level-2 play, even when trembling
- Models will estimate  $\hat{k} = k = 2$  and  $\hat{\epsilon} = 0$
- Also  $\hat{\tau}$  and  $\hat{\lambda}$  large
- All models get 100% likelihood

Divide payoffs by 100

- Noisier play in DGPs  $\Rightarrow$  better identification
- Noisier beliefs in QLK, HQR, and QRE can change base predictions

DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo	8.07						
LK-Double	w/DGP	-	53.97				54.4	
	w/Other	56.3						

Table: Payoffs scaled by 1/100.

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DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo		27.37					
LK-Single	w/DGP	15.47	-		15.93		15.47	
	w/Other		20.43					

Table: Payoffs scaled by 1/100.

Image: A matrix

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	w/Other				19.73			

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DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo					5.87		17.23
QLK	w/DGP					-	28.10	
	w/Other					28.33		

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DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo						14.93	15.17
HQR	w/DGP						-	
	w/Other						41.1	

Table: Payoffs scaled by 1/100.

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DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
	solo	24.07						25.63
QRE	w/DGP							-
	w/Other							0

Table: Payoffs scaled by 1/100.

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**Result 3** Structural changes to the games may not be enough to overcome the identification problems that arise when comparing similar models

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#### Possible Solution 2

- Omit similar models
  - 6 models other than QRE are level-based and tie frequently.
  - For each model, horserace that model against only QRE

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#### Result: Two-horse horserace

DGP\EST	LK double	LK single	PCH double	PCH single	QLK	HQR	QRE
LK Double	95.13						4.87
LK Single		76.35					23.65
PCH Double			77.52				22.48
PCH Single				44.07			55.93
QLK					89.27		10.73
HQR						89.68	10.32
QRE DGP:	24.32	48.92	96.23	96.8	96.03	93.43	

Table: LOCCV winning frequency of each model versus only QRE in 3×3 games.

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**Result 4** Two-horse horserace fixes the non-identification problem (there are no ties), but model selection is still imperfect BIC table 2FCV table

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# Even without ties there are still three troublesome cases. Why?

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PCH Double							
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#### Mystery #1: PCHS vs. QRE

PCHS: Varying  $\tau$  varies pure BR's

• k = 2: six different  $(s_1^*, \dots, s_{12}^*)$  BR vectors as  $\tau$  varies Case 1:

- Subject plays a perfect BR in 11 training games:  $\hat{\epsilon} = 0$
- Subject does not play the BR in testing game:  $LL_i = -\infty$
- $(1/12)\sum_i LL_i = -\infty$

Case 2:

- Subject always plays non-BR in 11 training games:  $\hat{c} = 1$
- Subject plays BR in testing game:  $LL_i = \infty$
- $(1/12)\sum_i LL_i = \infty$

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Case 3:

- Subject plays "2nd-best" strategy in  $n_1$  games and BR in  $11-n_1$
- $\hat{\epsilon} = \frac{n_1}{11}$  and  $\hat{\lambda} = \infty$  since all trembles are on 2nd best
- Subject plays "3rd-best" in training game:  $LL_i = -\infty$
- $(1/12)\sum_i LL_i = -\infty$

How often are there  $-\infty$  problems? Total PCHS subjects: 3,000 PCHS loses to QRE: 1,655 (55%) PCHS gets  $LL_i = -\infty$ : 1,488 (90%)

Other models: failure rate low, but still high *fraction* of  $-\infty$  problems

#### Mystery #2: QRE vs LK Models

- High payoffs  $\Rightarrow$  QRE subjects often play Nash
- LK estimated to be Nash type (95%), often noiseless (80%)
- QRE won't imitate this with  $\hat{\lambda} = \infty$ . Why?
  - Suppose mixed NE and  $\sigma_i^*(s_i) < 1/3$
  - Subject plays  $s_i$ : better estimated as noise
  - Thus,  $\hat{\lambda} < \infty$
- $\Rightarrow$  LKS & LKD beat QRE

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#### Mystery #3: QRE vs LK Double

- Suppose QRE subject with frequent Nash play
- QRE has fairly high (but finite)  $\hat{\lambda}$
- LKD Nash type can have  $\hat{c} > 0$ 
  - If  $\sigma_i^*(s_i) < 1/3$  then  $s_i$  better fits as a tremble
- Suppose testing game has  $\sigma_i^*(s_i) < 1/3$
- QRE likelihood  $\approx \sigma_i^*(s_i) < 1/3$
- LKD likelihood  $\approx (1-\hat{\epsilon})\sigma_i^*(s_i) + (\hat{\epsilon})\frac{1}{3}$
- LKD beats QRE

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#### Summary

Two main problems for cross-validation:

- $\textbf{0} \ -\infty \ \text{likelihoods}$
- **2**  $\sigma_i^*(s_i) < 1/3$  scenarios

BIC and AIC shouldn't have these problems...

#### BIC Winning Frequencies

DGP\EST	LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	HQR	QRE
LK Double	97.53						2.47
LK Single		93.07					6.93
PCH Double			92.17				7.83
PCH Single				76.7			23.3
QLK					93.5		6.5
HQR						93.97	6.03
QRE QRE wins:	98.57	97.7	98.37	97.6	98.87	97.1	
Model wins:	1.43	2.3	1.63	2.4	1.13	2.9	

Table: BIC winning frequency of each model versus only QRE in the 3 ×3 games with the original payoffs

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#### Robustness

Would a larger strategy space improve model identification?

• 2-Person Guessing Games (CGC 2006):



- Fine strategy space: {100, 101, 102, ..., 300}
- Coarse strategy space: {100, 110, 120, ..., 300}

#### Robustness: Size of Strategy Space

#### LOOCV. Fine strategy set is Red and Coarse strategy set is Blue

DGP\EST	LK double	LK single	PCH double	PCH single	QLK	HQR
LK Double	86.67					
	83.4					
LK Single		89.2				
		83.97				
PCH Double			82.07			
			82.2			
PCH Single				81.8		
				77.1		
QLK					76	
					75.77	
HQR						72.5
						71.93
QRE	77.57	84.97	94.27	94.43	94.7	93.6
	70.97	77.17	95.17	94.3	94.87	94.3

Table: LOCCV winning frequency of each model versus only QRE in guessing games.

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LK Single		98.2				
		96.4				
PCH Double			87.4			
			92.5			
PCH Single			1	87.1		
				91.7		
QLK					65.8	
					65.8	
HQR						69.3
						69.4
QRE	98.0	96.4	99.7	99.7	99.6	98.7
	97.0	95.7	99.1	99.0	99.5	98.1

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#### Robustness: Size of Strategy Space

- LOOCV:
  - Fine is significantly better: 5 comparisons
  - Fine is significantly worse: 0 comparisons
- BIC:
  - Fine is significantly better: 5 comparisons
  - Fine is significantly worse: 2 comparisons

What's the value of adding another game?

- Back to  $3 \times 3$  games
- Original simulation: 12 games
- New simulations: random subsets of r games,  $r \in \{4, 6, 8, 10, 12\}$

#### LOOCV: Number of Games

Levels models are DGPs:



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#### LOOCV: Number of Games

QRE is DGP:



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Model Selection Accuracy

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#### LOOCV: Number of Games

- · Generally, more games helps
- When QRE is the DGP:
  - Lots of NE play
  - Small # games: LK has  $-\infty$  problems
  - Large # games: LK's  $\sigma_i^*(s_i) < 1/3$  advantage dominates

#### BIC: Number of Games

Levels models are DGPs:



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#### BIC: Number of Games

QRE is DGP:



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#### Conclusion

Lessons:

- 1 Don't include a bunch of similar models
- Scaling payoffs/structural changes may not help much
- 3 Cross-validation can have problems!
  - Especially when models can become deterministic
- ④ Failures seem specific; few general lessons
- **5** BIC is less sensitive to such problems?
- 6 Finer strategy space: *mostly* better
- More games: generally better, esp. for BIC

Want to run a model horserace? Simulate it first

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### Appendix - Tie BIC

DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	QR	QRE
	solo	0.7	2.1	0	0.47	0.4	95.07	1.17
LK-Double	w/DGP	NaN	0	0	0	0.03	0	0
	w/Other	0.03	0	0.07	0.07	0	0	0
	solo	1.1	57.6	0.37	4.87	0.73	31.1	3.97
LK-Single	w/DGP	0	NaN	0	0	0	0	0
	w/Other	0.17	0	0.1	0.1	0.17	0	0
	solo	0.4	1.9	12.13	4.5	1.83	49.57	3.9
PCH-Double	w/DGP	0	0	NaN	25.77	0	0	0
	w/Other	0	0	25.77	0	0	0	0
	solo	0.97	21.83	3.17	31.33	1.57	21.07	11.5
PCH-Single	w/DGP	0	0	8.47	NaN	0	0	0
	w/Other	0.1	0	0	8.47	0.1	0	0
	solo	0.17	1.33	0.1	0.73	4.8	89.03	3.7
QLK	w/DGP	0.1	0	0	0	NaN	0	0
	w/Other	0	0	0.03	0.03	0.1	0	0
	solo	0.1	0.93	0	0.97	0.3	92.5	5.17
QR	w/DGP	0	0	0	0	0	NaN	0
	w/Other	0.03	0	0	0	0.03	0	0
	solo	0.27	1.43	0.17	0.73	0.37	1.9	94.33
QRE	w/DGP	0	0	0	0	0	0	NaN
	w/Other	0	0	0.8	0.8	0	0	0

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### Appendix - Tie 2FCV

DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	QR	QRE
	solo	0.4	0.7	0.4	0.17	0.77	0.5	1.2
LK-Double	w/DGP	NaN	93.83	63.3	63.07	63.07	93.87	0.03
	w/Other	94.1	0.17	1.3	1.47	0.3	0.3	0
	solo	4.23	40.7	2.83	4.43	3.9	3.97	10.33
LK-Single	w/DGP	19.5	NaN	14.8	18	14.8	19.5	0
	w/Other	4	22.7	3.9	0.33	3.63	3.27	0
	solo	0.87	0.63	1.97	0.9	2.27	0.7	3.93
PCH-Double	w/DGP	41.57	41.27	NaN	87.8	41.3	41.4	0.03
	w/Other	0.13	0.03	88.1	0.03	0.5	0.6	0
	solo	4.27	11.33	4.27	23.1	5.13	4.3	16.27
PCH-Single	w/DGP	10.93	13.73	20.4	NaN	10.93	10.97	0
	w/Other	4.07	0	3.8	23.2	4.43	4.4	0
	solo	1.47	1	0.63	0.73	3.07	0.9	3.5
QLK	w/DGP	86.4	86.13	86.3	86.13	NaN	87.57	0.03
	w/Other	0.7	0.17	0.83	0.3	87.7	0	0
	solo	1.33	0.73	0.53	1.13	0.3	1.33	3.87
QR	w/DGP	86.27	86.13	57.2	57.1	58.7	NaN	0.03
	w/Other	0.93	0.2	2.73	2.07	0.07	87.77	0
	solo	7.33	1.5	3.6	3.83	2.63	4.47	72.77
QRE	w/DGP	0	0	0	0	0	0	NaN
	w/Other	0.63	0.83	1.4	1.63	2.53	2.53	0

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#### Appendix - Tie BIC 1/100 Scale

DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	QR	QRE
	solo	7.37	15.5	0.9	3.8	1.83	57.23	12.7
LK-Double	w/DGP	NaN	0	0	0	0.33	0	0
	w/Other	0.33	0	0.33	0.33	0	0	0
	solo	4.73	36.77	0.43	7.87	1.23	30.13	18.4
LK-Single	w/DGP	0	NaN	0	0	0	0	0
	w/Other	0.23	0	0.2	0.2	0.23	0	0
	solo	2.43	8.4	8.27	9.47	2.83	33.67	19.13
PCH-Double	w/DGP	0	0	NaN	15.43	0	0	0
	w/Other	0.37	0	15.43	0	0.37	0	0
	solo	2.13	16.7	3	23.4	2.03	21.4	22.87
PCH-Single	w/DGP	0	0	8.27	NaN	0	0	0
	w/Other	0.2	0	0	8.27	0.2	0	0
	solo	0.97	6.73	0.9	5.8	17.23	29	39.07
QLK	w/DGP	0.2	0	0	0	NaN	0	0
	w/Other	0	0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0	0
	solo	0.87	7.1	0.43	5.6	1	40.03	44.83
QR	w/DGP	0	0	0	0	0	NaN	0
	w/Other	0.07	0	0.07	0.07	0.07	0	0
	solo	0.83	5.27	0.6	3.47	1.9	5.03	82.57
QRE	w/DGP	0	0	0	0	0	0	NaN
	w/Other	0.07	0	0.27	0.27	0.07	0	0

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#### Appendix - Tie 2FCV 1/100 Scale

DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	QR	QRE
	solo	11.23	10.5	8.13	5.03	6.73	4.3	13.3
LK-Double	w/DGP	NaN	33.3	25.07	23.73	24.13	33.5	0.23
	w/Other	35	2.27	0.47	2.53	3.23	3.23	0
	solo	9.87	18.27	6.27	8.13	5.03	5.03	18.27
LK-Single	w/DGP	19.63	NaN	14.93	17.63	14.97	19.67	0.13
	w/Other	3.03	22.37	2.8	0.17	4.57	4.17	0
	solo	6.97	8.17	6.57	8.63	6.57	5.33	17.47
PCH-Double	w/DGP	22.33	20.27	NaN	32.17	21.4	20.57	0.07
	w/Other	0.57	1.67	34.33	1.67	4.17	4.07	0
	solo	7.83	10.8	6.93	11.9	6.5	5.8	20.47
PCH-Single	w/DGP	12.43	14.77	20.23	NaN	12.97	12.43	0.17
	w/Other	3.13	0.03	2.97	22.57	4.93	4.83	0
	solo	9	10.63	9.87	10.43	10.53	8.93	28.13
QLK	w/DGP	2.43	0.13	1.4	0.1	NaN	8.03	0.07
	w/Other	2.57	1	1.93	1.03	8.93	0.7	0
	solo	9.93	8.83	8.77	8.73	9.03	14.8	26.5
QR	w/DGP	4.03	2.93	2.77	1.93	8.03	NaN	0
	w/Other	3	2.03	1.63	1.13	0.6	9.27	0
	solo	7.73	6.3	8.23	8.07	8.73	8.9	46.93
QRE	w/DGP	0	0	0	0	0	0	NaN
	w/Other	1.33	1.17	1.23	1.37	3.27	3.17	0

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#### Appendix - Two-horserace BIC

DGP\EST	LK double QR	LK single QR	PCH double QR	PCH single QR	QLK	QR	QRE
LK Double	88.33						11.67
LK Single		97.2					2.8
PCH Double			92.17				7.83
PCH Single				76.7			23.3
QLK					93.5		6.5
QR						93.97	6.03
QRE	1.43	2.3	1.63	2.4	1.13	2.9	
	98.57	97.7	98.37	97.6	98.87	97.1	

Table: BIC winning frequency of each model versus only QRE in 3×3 games.

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#### Appendix - Two-horserace 2FCV

DGP\EST	LK double QR	LK single QR	PCH double QR	PCH single QR	QLK	QR	QRE
LK Double	77.57						22.43
LK Single		97.33					2.67
PCH Double			91.57				8.43
PCH Single				55.72			44.28
QLK					95.05		4.95
QR						94.57	5.43
QRE	12.38	4	8.7	8.02	9	10.97	
	87.62	96	91.3	91.98	91	89.03	

Table: 2FCV winning frequency of each model versus only QRE in 3×3 games.

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# Appendix - Tie LOOCV Guessing Games with Finer Strategy Sets

DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	QR	QRE
	solo	22.63	30.1	7.83	5.17	1.93	2.63	3.4
LK-Double	w/DGP	-	17.73	16.93	13.47	0	0.03	0
	w/Other	21.23	2.43	0.03	2.47	2.63	2.63	0
	solo	20.67	33.83	7.13	5.4	1.73	2.63	3.4
LK-Single	w/DGP	16.63	-	13.2	15.93	0	0	0
	w/Other	3.27	19.37	3.27	0	2.57	2.57	0
	solo	17.63	11.93	15.23	14.9	1.73	2.87	7.47
PCH-Double	w/DGP	16.67	12.1	-	17.5	0.8	0.83	0
	w/Other	0.03	3.27	21.97	3.27	3	3	0
	solo	17.17	12.8	14.23	15.7	1.7	2.8	7.33
PCH-Single	w/DGP	12.13	15.47	17.33	-	0.43	0.43	0
	w/Other	4.3	0	4.43	20.87	3.47	3.53	0
	solo	0.9	3.63	2.23	20.2	27.03	23.87	15.8
QLK	w/DGP	0.17	0	1.63	0.37	-	4.83	0
	w/Other	0.27	0.6	0.7	0.6	4.83	0.87	0
	solo	1.27	12.63	1	5	9.2	45.23	17.33
QR	w/DGP	1.5	0.17	1.8	0.5	2.7	-	0
	w/Other	0.17	4.67	0.17	4.67	0	3.5	0
	solo	12.43	10.83	0.17	1.9	1	2.67	69.57
QRE	w/DGP	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
	w/Other	0.43	0.47	0.93	0.67	0.87	1.1	0

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# Appendix - Two-horserace BIC Guessing Games with Finer Strategy Sets

DGP\EST	LK double QR	LK single QR	PCH double QR	PCH single QR	QLK	QR	QRE
LK Double	98.2						1.8
LK Single		98.23					1.77
PCH Double			87.37				12.63
PCH Single				87.07			12.93
QLK					65.77		34.23
QR						69.27	30.73
QRE	2.03	3.57	0.33	0.33	0.4	1.33	
	97.97	96.43	99.67	99.67	99.6	98.67	

Table: 2FCV winning frequency of each model versus only QRE in 3×3 games.

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# Appendix - Two-horserace 2FCV Guessing Games with Finer Strategy Sets

DGP\EST	LK double QR	LK single QR	PCH double QR	PCH single QR	QLK	QR	QRE
LK Double	46.87						53.13
LK Single		91.4					8.6
PCH Double			75.6				24.4
PCH Single				81.02			18.98
QLK					72.03		27.97
QR						72.9	27.1
QRE	31.53	0.9	8.83	9.83	9.93	9.33	
	68.47	99.1	91.17	90.17	90.07	90.67	

Table: 2FCV winning frequency of each model versus only QRE in 3×3 games.

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# Appendix - Tie LOOCV Guessing Games with Coarser Strategy Sets

DGP \EST		LK Double	LK Single	PCH Double	PCH Single	QLK	QR	QRE
	solo	18.37	29.3	6.47	4.97	2.17	4.37	3.03
LK-Double	w/DGP	-	22.83	12.53	8.83	0	0.03	0
	w/Other	26.43	2.03	0	2.03	2.87	2.87	0
	solo	15.9	40.63	5.2	5.27	2	2.5	3.4
LK-Single	w/DGP	16.93	-	8.4	10.77	0	0	0
	w/Other	3.33	19.4	3.33	0	2.37	2.4	0
	solo	8.27	20.53	18.07	12.13	2.8	3.57	5.17
PCH-Double	w/DGP	16.63	11.5	-	15.9	0.27	0.33	0
	w/Other	0.6	2.73	22.63	2.67	3.63	4.1	0
	solo	7.43	21.23	15.77	16.1	2.7	3.77	5.2
PCH-Single	w/DGP	9.37	13.43	14.77	-	0	0	0
	w/Other	6.13	1.63	5.87	18.83	2.97	3.2	0
	solo	4.5	11.33	4.1	6.23	23.93	17.67	12.5
QLK	w/DGP	4.5	0	3.3	0	-	7.4	0
	w/Other	8.3	4	2.9	4	7.4	7.2	0
	solo	3.77	11.3	2.57	7.1	8.53	39.57	14.83
QR	w/DGP	3.3	0	1.57	0	3.5	-	0
	w/Other	3.67	6.5	0.8	3.37	0	5.3	0
	solo	12.1	8.6	0.83	2.6	0.97	1.73	60.7
QRE	w/DGP	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
	w/Other	11.9	11.9	0.1	0.1	0.47	0.47	0

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# Appendix - Two-horserace BIC Guessing Games with Coarser Strategy Sets

DGP\EST	LK double QR	LK single QR	PCH double QR	PCH single QR	QLK	QR	QRE
LK Double	96.43						3.57
LK Single		97					3
PCH Double			92.53				7.47
PCH Single				91.73			8.27
QLK					65.77		34.23
QR						69.4	30.6
QRE	1.63	2.73	0.33	0.53	0.4	1.17	
	98.37	97.27	99.67	99.47	99.6	98.83	

Table: 2FCV winning frequency of each model versus only QRE in 3×3 games.

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# Appendix - Two-horserace 2FCV Guessing Games with Coarser Strategy Sets

DGP\EST	LK double QR	LK single QR	PCH double QR	PCH single QR	QLK	QR	QRE
LK Double	83.9						16.1
LK Single		97.48					2.52
PCH Double			75.85				24.15
PCH Single				83.15			16.85
QLK					71.23		28.77
QR						72.17	27.83
QRE	36.1	30.9	8.37	9.77	11.4	10.63	
	63.9	69.1	91.63	90.23	88.6	89.37	

Table: 2FCV winning frequency of each model versus only QRE in 3×3 games.

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### Games

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Game1	Т	М	В	Game 2	Т	Μ	В	Game3	т	М	В	
Т	25	30	100	Т	30	50	100	Т	10	100	40	
M	40	45	65	Μ	40	45	10	М	0	70	50	
В	31	0	40	В	35	60	0	В	20	50	60	
Game 4	T	Μ	В	Game5	T	М	В	Game 6	Т	М	В	
Т	30	100	50	Т	30	100	22	Т	40	15	70	
М	40	0	90	М	35	0	45	М	22	80	0	
В	50	75	29	В	51	50	20	В	30	100	55	
Game7	Т	Μ	В	Game 8	Т	М	В	Game9	Т	М	В	
Т	25	30	100	Т	10	100	40	Т	39	15	70	
M	40	0	65	Μ	0	70	60	М	40	80	0	
В	31	45	40	В	20	50	50	В	30	100	55	
Game10	Т	М	В	Game11	Т	М	В	Game12	Т	М	В	
Т	30	50	100	Т	30	100	22	Т	40	80	60	
М	40	60	10	M	35	0	20	• • • • • M =	23	25	= <b>0</b>	
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