Coupled queueing and charging game model with power capacity optimization PGMO days

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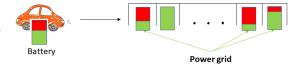
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Model: Mathematical description

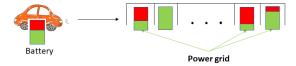
 $\lambda=$ Average number of arrival per hour



Characteristics of Electric Vehicules (EVs)

- Random time of arrivals: follows a Poisson process of parameter λ .
- Random need in energy when arriving at the station B to have a fully charged battery: follows an exponential law of parameter μ .
 - Capa: Capacity of the battery,
 - SoCarr: State of Charge of the battery when arriving,
 - $B = Capa SoC_{arr}$.
- Random parking time $D(\bot B)$: follows an exponential law of parameter ν .

Model: Mathematical description



 $\lambda=$ Average number of arrival per hour

Characteristics of a Charging Station (CS)

- p_{max} : Maximum power delivered for an EV.
- N_p: Number of parking spaces.
- α: Proportion of the number of parking spaces that deliver maximum power p_{max} simultaneously.

Model: Mathematical description

Notations

- Z_t : Number of charging EVs at the CS at time t.
- C_t: Number of EVs with full battery, i.e not charging, at the CS at time t.
- $Q_t := Z_t + C_t$: total number of EVs at the CS at time t.

Power scheduling

• Each arriving EVs immediately starts to charge with power:

$$p(Z_t) = p_{max} imes rac{\min(lpha N_p, Z_t)}{Z_t}$$

Remark

Total power p_T at the CS: $p_T = p_{\max} \times \alpha N_p$.

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Notation

 $\bar{z} = A$ verage number of charging EVs in stationary regime.

Fixed point equation for \bar{z} given by [1]

$$\bar{z} = \min(\lambda, \nu N_p) \mathbb{E}\left[\min\left(D, \frac{B}{p_{\max}}\max(1, \frac{\bar{z}}{\alpha N_p})\right)\right].$$
(1)

Proposition [Avg nb of charging EVs]:

In stationary regime, the average number of charging EVs is:

$$\bar{z} = \begin{cases} \frac{\min(\lambda,\nu N_p)}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu} & \text{if } \frac{\nu}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu} \le \alpha \text{ or } \frac{\lambda}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu} \le \alpha N_p, \\ \frac{\min(\lambda,\nu N_p) - p_{\max}\mu\alpha N_p}{\nu} & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$
(2)

Idea of the proof : Resolution of the fixed point equation 1.

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Proposition [Probability to leave with a fully charged battery]:

In stationary regime, the expected probability \bar{P} to leave the CS with a fully charged battery is given by:

$$\begin{split} \bar{\mathbf{p}} &= \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\nu \max(1, \frac{\bar{z}}{\alpha N_p}) + p_{\max}\mu} \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu} & \text{if } \frac{\nu}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu} \leq \alpha \text{ or } \lambda \leq \alpha N_p(\nu + p_{\max}\mu), \\ \frac{p_{\max}\mu\alpha N_p}{\min(\theta\lambda, \nu N_p)} & \text{else.} \end{cases} \end{split}$$
(3)

Ideas of the proof:

• \bar{P} is the probability that the time to get fully charged is less than the parking time: $\bar{P} = I\!\!P\left(\frac{B}{p_{\max}}\max(1, \frac{\bar{z}}{\alpha N_p}) < D\right)$.

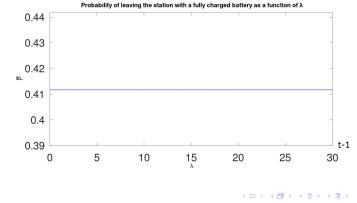
• $\frac{B}{\rho_{\max}} \max(1, \frac{\bar{z}}{\alpha N_{p}})$ and D follow exponential distributions.

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Model: Probability to leave with a fully charged battery

• If
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, then

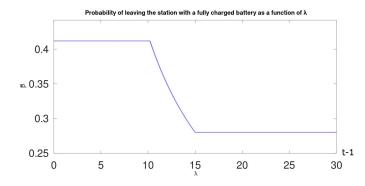
$$\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+, \ \bar{P} = \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu}$$



Model: Probability to leave with a fully charged battery

• If
$$\frac{\nu}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu} > \alpha$$
, then

$$\bar{P} = \begin{cases} \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu} & \text{if } \lambda \leq \alpha N_p(\nu + p_{\max}\mu), \\ \frac{p_{\max}\mu\alpha N_p}{\min(\theta\lambda, \nu N_p)} & \text{if } \lambda > \alpha N_p(\nu + p_{\max}\mu). \end{cases}$$

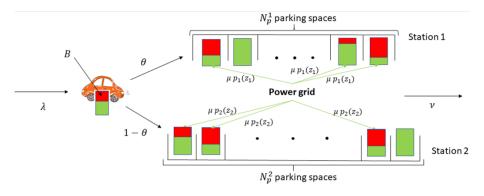


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Game: Definition



Setting of the game

- EVs choose CS 1 with probability θ .
- Criterion of choice: highest probability \bar{P} of leaving with a fully charged battery.

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Game: Definition

Notation

- $i \in \{1,2\}$
 - N_p^i : Number of parking spaces at CS *i*.
 - α_i: Proportion of the number of parking spaces that can deliver maximum power simultaneously at CS *i*.
 - p_{max}: Common to the two CSs.
 - \bar{z}_i : Stationary average number of charging EVs at CS *i*.
 - p_i : Power available for a charging EVs at CS *i*.
 - \bar{P}_i : Probability of leaving CS *i* with a fully charged battery.

Arriving process at station i

EVs arrive at station i according to a Poisson process of parameter

$$\lambda_i := \begin{cases} \theta \lambda & \text{if } i = 1, \\ (1 - \theta) \lambda & \text{if } i = 2. \end{cases}$$

Definition of the game Γ

- $\mathcal{N}:=[0,1]:$ Continuum of nonatomic players, which are the EVs;
- $\mathcal{A} := \{CS1, CS2\}$: Set of pure actions;
- $\mathcal{S} := \Delta[\mathcal{A}] = [0, 1]$: Set of mixed strategies over the two pure actions;

• Same utility function *u* for all the players:

$$u(heta,ar{ heta}):= heta imesar{P}_1(ar{ heta})+(1- heta) imesar{P}_2(1-ar{ heta}),$$

where $\bar{\theta}$ is the average strategy used by the players.

- In decentralized system, EVs individually choose their best strategy.
- An equilibrium is a situation where no player has an incentive to unilaterally change her strategy.

Definition [Equilibrium]:

An equilibrium is a set identical mixed-strategies θ_{eq} s.t.

$$orall heta \in [0,1], \quad u(heta_{eq}, heta_{eq}) \geq u(heta, heta_{eq}).$$

Definition [Set of equilibria]:

The set of equilibria S_{eq} is:

$$S_{eq} = \{ \theta_{eq} \in [0, 1], \quad \theta_{eq} \text{ verify (4)} \}.$$

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Proposition [Characterization]:

The set of equilibrium S_{eq} is:

$$S_{eq} = \{ \theta_{eq} \in [0, 1], \quad \bar{P}_1(\theta_{eq}) = \bar{P}_2(1 - \theta_{eq}) \}.$$
 (5)

Proposition [Existence and convexity]:

The set of equilibrium S_{eq} is non-empty and convex.

Proposition [Unicity]:

There exist a constant \bar{P}_{eq} s.t.

$$orall heta_{eq} \in S_{eq}, \ ar{P}_{eq} = ar{P}_1(heta_{eq}) = ar{P}_2(1- heta_{eq}).$$

Game: Equilibrium

Proposition [Expression of \bar{P}_{eq}]:

At equilibrium, the probability \bar{P}_{eq} for any EV to leave a CS with a full battery is given by:

$$\bar{P}_{eq} = \begin{cases} \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu} & \text{if} \\ \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\lambda} (\alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2) & \text{if} \\ \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\lambda} (\alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2) & \text{if} \\ \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\lambda} (\alpha_1 (\alpha_1, \alpha_2)) < \frac{\nu}{\nu + p_{\max}\nu}, \\ \alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2 < \frac{\lambda}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu}, \\ N_p^1 + N_p^2 > \frac{\lambda}{\nu}, \\ \max(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) > \frac{\nu}{\lambda} (\alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2), \\ \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\nu} \max(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

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Game: PoA

In centralized system, a centralized CS operator chooses the CS for the $\overline{\text{EVs}}$ to optimize their utility:

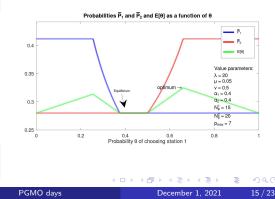
$$U_{opt} = \max_{\theta \in [0,1]} u(\theta,\theta) = \max_{\theta \in [0,1]} \theta \times \bar{P}_1(\theta) + (1-\theta) \times \bar{P}_2(1-\theta).$$

Price of Anarchy [2] (PoA)

The PoA quantify the inefficiency of the decentralized system in comparison of the centralized system:

$$PoA := \frac{U_{opt}}{u(\theta_{eq}, \theta_{eq})}$$

$$= \frac{U_{opt}}{\bar{P}_{eq}} (\geq 1).$$
(7)



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Game: PoA

Denote, for any couple $(i,j) \in \{(1,2),(2,1)\}$, the following values:

$$\begin{cases} \gamma_i = \alpha_i N_p^i + \frac{\nu}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu} N_p^j, \\ A_i = \frac{p_{\max}\mu \alpha_j}{\nu} (1 - \alpha_i N_p^i \frac{\nu + p_{\max}\mu}{\lambda}) + \alpha_i N_p^i \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\lambda}. \end{cases}$$

Proposition [PoA]:

Condition (8) is a necessary and sufficient condition such that PoA = 1.

$$\max(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \ge \frac{\nu}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu} \text{ or } \min(\gamma_1, \gamma_2) \ge \frac{\lambda}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu}$$
(8)

Proposition [Bounds on the PoA]:

Suppose condition (8) does not hold. Then

$$PoA < \max(rac{rac{
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Context

- The two CSs are geographically close,
- they are connected to the same node of the grid,
- they have to share a limited total quantity of power for the two stations.

Problem formulation

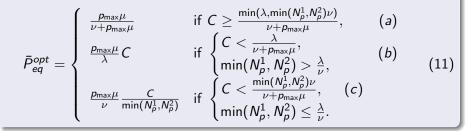
$$\max_{(\alpha_1,\alpha_2)\in[0,1]^2} \bar{P}_{eq},\tag{9}$$

s.t.
$$\alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2 \le C,$$
 (10)

with $C \in [1, N_p^1 + N_p^2]$.

Proposition [Expression of \bar{P}_{eq} at optimum]:

The optimal value \bar{P}_{eq}^{opt} of \bar{P}_{eq} (9) under constraint (10) is:



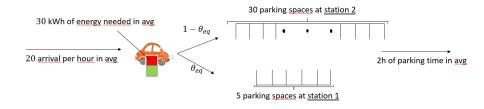
- (a): High resource in power.
- (b): Low resource in power but high number of parking spaces.
- (c): Low resource in power and in quantity of parking spaces.

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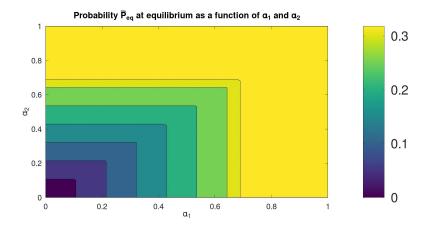
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Value parameters

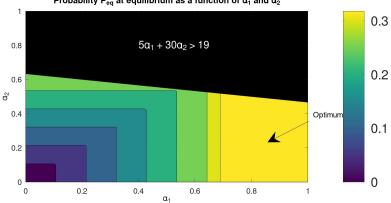
- $\lambda = 20$: EVs arrive in average every 3 minutes;
- $\mu = \frac{1}{30}$: EVs need in average 30kWh to have a fully charged battery;
- $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$: EVs stay in the CS 2h in average;
- $N_p^1 = 5$, $N_p^2 = 30$: There are respectively 5 and 30 parking spaces at CS 1 and 2;
- $p_{max} = 7$: The maximum charging power for the EVs is 7kW.

Usecase: Values of \bar{P}_{eq} at equilibrium



• \bar{P}_{eq} increasing in max (α_1, α_2) .

Usecase: Optimization problem

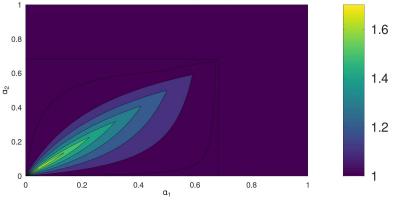


Probability \overline{P}_{eq} at equilibrium as a function of α_1 and α_2

• $S_{eq}^{opt} \approx \{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in [0, 1]^2, \alpha_1 > 0.68, \alpha_2 \le \frac{19}{30} - \alpha_1 \frac{1}{6}\}.$

Usecase: PoA

PoA as a function of a1 and a2



• $max(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) > 0.68 \Rightarrow PoA = 1.$

 Low values of α₁ and α₂, α₁ ≈ α₂ ⇒ More power sharing between the EVs ⇒ Decentralized system inefficient.

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Main idea

The decentralized system is more efficient in particular when one of the two coefficients α_1 or α_2 is sufficiently high (in comparison of the parking time and the need in energy).

Perspectives

- Study other types of power scheduling (ex: FIFO (First In First Out));
- Study other optimization criteria;
- Take into account the probability of being rejected;
- Take into account the price (for the EVs as well as for the charging stations);
- Give more information to the EVs (ex: number of charging EVs, current power available) [3];
- Other probability laws for *B* or *D* (ex: normal or uniform).

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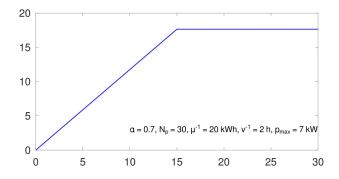
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Appendix: Model (Number of charging EVs)

• If
$$\frac{\nu}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu} \leq \alpha$$
, then

$$\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+, \ \bar{z} = \frac{\min(\lambda, \nu N_p)}{\nu + \rho_{\max} \mu} \leq \alpha N_p.$$



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Appendix: Model (Number of charging EVs)

• If
$$\frac{\nu}{\nu+p_{\max}\mu} > \alpha$$
, then

$$\bar{z} = \begin{cases} \frac{\min(\lambda,\nu N_p)}{\nu+p_{\max}\mu} \le \alpha N_p & \text{if } \lambda \le \alpha N_p (\nu+p_{\max}\mu), \\ \frac{\min(\lambda,\nu N_p)-p_{\max}\mu\alpha N_p}{\nu} > \alpha N_p & \text{if } \lambda > \alpha N_p (\nu+p_{\max}\mu). \end{cases}$$

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Characteristics of the game

- A <u>non-atomic game[4]</u> : The decision of a single EVs have no impact on the decision of the others EVs.
- A congestion game[5]: The decision of an EV to choose station *i* depends on the proportion of other EVs which choose station *i*. the incentive to choose station *i* is decreasing in the proportion of EVs choosing station *i*.
- An unobservable game[4]: EVs don't have any information on the number of charging EVs in the stations when arriving.

Proposition [Characterization]:

The set of equilibrium S_{eq} is:

$$S_{eq} = \{ \theta_{eq} \in [0, 1], \quad \bar{P}_1(\theta_{eq}) = \bar{P}_2(1 - \theta_{eq}) \}.$$
 (12)

 $\underline{\text{Ideas of the proof: Let }} \tilde{S}_{eq} = \{\theta_{eq} \in [0,1], \ \bar{P}_1(\theta_{eq}) = \bar{P}_2(1-\theta_{eq})\}.$

•
$$\tilde{S}_{eq} \subseteq S_{eq}$$
: Immediate.
• $S_{eq} \subseteq \tilde{S}_{eq}$:
• Suppose $\tilde{\theta}$ s.t $\bar{P}_1(\tilde{\theta}) > \bar{P}_2(\tilde{\theta})$. Then $\tilde{\theta} = 1$.
• $\bar{P}_1(1) \leq \bar{P}_2(0)$. Contradictory.

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Proposition [Existence and convexity]:

The set of equilibrium S_{eq} is non-empty and convex

 $\underline{\text{Ideas of the proof: Let } h := \theta \in [0,1] \mapsto \bar{P}_1(\theta_{eq}) - \bar{P}_2(1-\theta_{eq}) \in [0,1].}$

- h is continuous and decreasing.
- $h(0) \ge 0$ and $h(1) \le 0$.

Appendix: Proof3

Proposition [Expression of \bar{P}_{eq}]:

At equilibrium, the probability \bar{P}_{eq} for any EV to leave a station with a full battery is given by:

$$\bar{P}_{eq} = \begin{cases} \begin{array}{c} \max(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \geq \frac{\nu}{\nu + p_{\max}\nu}, \\ \text{if} \\ \sigma \alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2 \geq \frac{\lambda}{\nu + p_{\max}\nu}, \\ \sigma \alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2 \geq \frac{\nu}{\nu + p_{\max}\nu}, \\ \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\lambda} (\alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2) & \text{if} \\ \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\nu} \max(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) < \frac{\nu}{\nu + p_{\max}\nu}, \\ \alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2 < \frac{\lambda}{\nu + p_{\max}\mu}, \\ N_p^1 + N_p^2 > \frac{\lambda}{\nu}, \\ \max(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \leq \frac{\nu}{\lambda} (\alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2), \\ \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\nu} \max(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

$$(13)$$

Ideas of the proof: Solution of $ar{P}_1(heta)=ar{P}_2(1- heta)_{\scriptscriptstyle \square}$,

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Appendix: Proof4

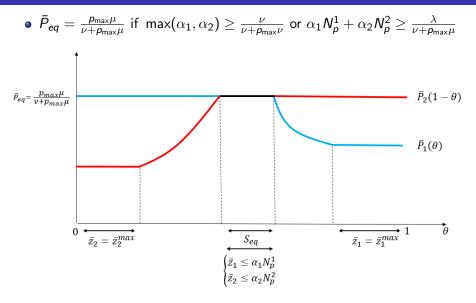
<u>Proposition</u>: The optimal value \bar{P}_{eq}^{opt} of \bar{P}_{eq} (9) under constraint (10) is:

$$\bar{P}_{eq}^{opt} = \begin{cases} \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\nu + \rho_{\max}\mu} & \text{if } C \geq \frac{\min(\lambda, \min(N_p^1, N_p^2)\nu)}{\nu + \rho_{\max}\mu}, & (a) \\ \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\lambda}C & \text{if } \begin{cases} C < \frac{\lambda}{\nu + \rho_{\max}\mu}, & (b) \\ \min(N_p^1, N_p^2) > \frac{\lambda}{\nu}, & (b) \end{cases} \\ \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\nu}\frac{C}{\min(N_p^1, N_p^2)} & \text{if } \begin{cases} C < \frac{\min(N_p^1, N_p^2)\nu}{\nu + \rho_{\max}\mu}, & (c) \\ \min(N_p^1, N_p^2) \leq \frac{\lambda}{\nu}, & (c) \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

Steps of the proof:

- Replace constraint (10) by constraint $\alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2 = C$.
- Express \bar{P}_{eq} as a function of α_1 (similarly α_2).
- Find the optimal α_1 .
- Notice that P
 ^{opt}_{eq} is increasing in C, so that the optimal values of (9) under the inequality (10) is the same as under the equality constraint α₁N¹_p + α₂N²_p = C.

Appendix: Equilibrium of the game in situation 1

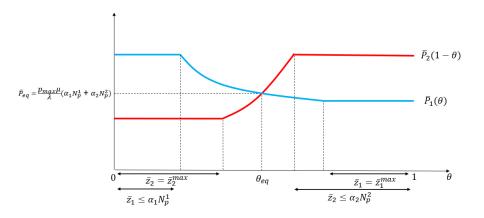


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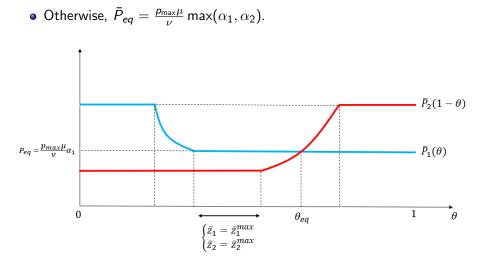
Appendix: Equilibrium of the game in situation 2

• Otherwise,

$$\bar{P}_{eq} = \frac{p_{\max}\mu}{\lambda} (\alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2) \text{ if } \begin{cases} N_p^1 + N_p^2 > \frac{\lambda}{\nu} \\ \max(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) > \frac{\nu}{\lambda} (\alpha_1 N_p^1 + \alpha_2 N_p^2) \end{cases}$$



Appendix: Equilibrium of the game in situation 3



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