

In scheme B, the two players begin by determining a long series of simulations of  $\theta$ -strategies for all the different  $\theta$  in  $[0, \pi/4]$ . They do this by drawing up pairs of instruction sets with forbidden zones of the form

$$\text{FZ}_B := [0, \theta/2] \cup [\pi/2 - \theta/2, \pi/2 + \theta/2] \cup [\pi - \theta/2, \pi]. \quad (1)$$

So for each trial, there is a pair of identical instruction sets, one for each player, characterised by an angle  $\theta$ . Call that a  $\theta$ -trial. In each trial, the polarisers are set and there will be some misalignment  $\alpha$  between them, anywhere between 0 and  $\pi/2$ . We assume that  $\alpha$  is evenly distributed over  $[0, \pi/2]$ . If one polariser falls in  $[\theta/2, \pi/2 - \theta/2]$  and the other in  $[\pi/2 + \theta/2, \pi - \theta/2]$ , we record disagreement. If both fall in  $[\theta/2, \pi/2 - \theta/2]$  or both fall in  $[\pi/2 + \theta/2, \pi - \theta/2]$ , we record agreement. If either falls in  $\text{FZ}_B$ , we record nothing.

For each  $\theta$ , we have to establish an actual frequency  $A_B(\theta)d\theta$  with which to carry out  $\theta$ -trials for this value of  $\theta$ , satisfying

$$\int_0^{\pi/4} A_B(\theta) d\theta = 1.$$

It seems that no choice of  $A_B(\theta)$  can solve the problem because it looks as though we can only simulate a linear target function over  $[0, \pi/4]$ , although it may be possible to simulate more general functions over  $[\pi/4, \pi/2]$ . This is my analysis.

We know the probability that a  $\theta$ -trial with misalignment  $\alpha$  will be recorded, viz.,

$$E_\theta(\alpha) = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi - 2\theta - 2\alpha}{\pi}, & 0 < \alpha < \theta, \\ \frac{\pi - 4\theta}{\pi}, & \theta < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta, \\ \frac{2\alpha - 2\theta}{\pi}, & \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}. \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

This has average

$$E_\theta^{\text{ave}} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2} E_\theta(\alpha) d\alpha = \frac{(\pi - 2\theta)^2}{\pi^2} = \left(1 - \frac{2\theta}{\pi}\right)^2, \quad (3)$$

provided there are enough trials for the misalignment to effectively sample the whole of  $[0, \pi/2]$  for the given value of  $\theta$  and assuming that the values of  $\alpha$  are chosen completely randomly in  $[0, \pi/2]$ , i.e., they are uniformly distributed. This average is the probability that the result of a  $\theta$ -trial will be recorded, regardless of the value of the misalignment.

So  $A_B(\theta)$  is the frequency distribution of  $\theta$ -trials agreed by the two players before the experiment begins. We wish to calculate the long run proportion of agreement (POA) for some particular value of  $\alpha$  in  $[0, \pi/2]$ , and consider first a value of  $\alpha$  less than  $\pi/4$ . For a long run of  $N$  trials ranging over all  $\theta \in [0, \pi/4]$ , we have a total of

$$A_B(\theta)Nd\theta$$

with  $\theta$  in  $(\theta, \theta + d\theta)$ , and we expect

$$A_B(\theta)Nd\theta E_\theta(\alpha) \tag{4}$$

of these to be recorded, provided that the number  $A_B(\theta)Nd\theta$  is big enough. This follows because  $E_\theta(\alpha)$  is precisely the fraction of  $\theta$ -trials that get recorded for this value of the misalignment.

Now when  $\theta > \alpha$ , we know that the players always agree, while for  $\theta < \alpha$ , they agree a proportion

$$y_\theta(\alpha) = \frac{\pi - 2\theta - 2\alpha}{\pi - 4\theta}$$

of the time, so the long run expected number of agreements in recorded trials will be

$$\int_0^\alpha y_\theta(\alpha)E_\theta(\alpha)A_B(\theta)Nd\theta + \int_\alpha^{\pi/4} E_\theta(\alpha)A_B(\theta)Nd\theta .$$

We require this to equal  $Nf(\alpha)$ , where  $f(\alpha)$  is the target function for the POA, which would be  $\cos^2 \alpha$  in the quantum case.

Looking at (2) and noting that  $\alpha < \pi/2 - \theta$  since  $\theta < \pi/4$  and  $\alpha < \pi/4$ , we see that in the first integral  $\theta < \alpha$  and we can insert

$$E_\theta(\alpha) = \frac{\pi - 4\theta}{\pi} .$$

For  $\theta > \alpha$ , as happens in the second integral, we can insert

$$E_\theta(\alpha) = \frac{\pi - 2\theta - 2\alpha}{\pi} .$$

Hence the long run expected number of agreements in recorded trials will be

$$\int_0^\alpha \frac{\pi - 2\theta - 2\alpha}{\pi - 4\theta} \frac{\pi - 4\theta}{\pi} A_B(\theta)Nd\theta + \int_\alpha^{\pi/4} \frac{\pi - 2\theta - 2\alpha}{\pi} A_B(\theta)Nd\theta ,$$

and this can be written in the form

$$\frac{N}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/4} (\pi - 2\theta - 2\alpha)A_B(\theta)d\theta .$$

The long run expected POA is thus linear in  $\alpha$ . It can be written

$$1 - \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/4} \theta A_B(\theta)d\theta - \frac{2}{\pi} \alpha .$$

This is indeed always between 0 and 1 because the middle term is  $2\pi$  times the average value of  $\theta$  over all  $\theta$ -trials (regardless of whether recorded or not), hence lies between 0 and  $(2/\pi) \times (\pi/4) = 1/2$ , while  $2\alpha/\pi$  also lies between 0 and  $1/2$  for  $\alpha$  in  $[0, \pi/4]$ .

It is interesting to see what we can simulate for the POA when  $\alpha \in [\pi/4, \pi/2]$ . Since  $\theta$  lies in  $[0, \pi/4]$ , we have  $\theta < \alpha$  for all  $\theta$ -trials. When  $\theta$  is such that

$\pi/2 - \theta < \alpha$ , i.e., for  $\theta$  such that  $\theta > \pi/2 - \alpha$ , we know that we always have disagreement, so there is no contribution from these values of  $\theta$ . We only need to consider  $\theta$  such that  $\pi/2 - \theta > \alpha$ , i.e.,  $\theta$  such that  $\theta < \pi/2 - \alpha$ , noting that  $\pi/2 - \alpha$  is always less than  $\pi/4$ . In these trials, the players agree a proportion  $y_\theta(\alpha)$  of the time.

We just have to include the fraction of cases  $E_\theta(\alpha)$  when the results are actually recorded. Looking at (2) on p. 1, we note that we are always in the case  $\theta < \alpha < \pi/2 - \theta$ , when the proportion of results recorded is  $(\pi - 4\theta)/\pi$ . So the long run expected number of agreements in recorded trials, for a very long run of  $N$   $\theta$ -trials ranging over all values of  $\theta$ , is

$$\int_0^{\pi/2-\alpha} \frac{\pi - 4\theta}{\pi} \frac{\pi - 2\theta - 2\alpha}{\pi - 4\theta} A_B(\theta) N d\theta ,$$

the first factor in the integrand being the relevant value of  $E_\theta(\alpha)$  and the second being  $y_\theta(\alpha)$ . This can be rewritten

$$\frac{N}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi/2-\alpha} (\pi - 2\theta - 2\alpha) A_B(\theta) d\theta .$$

This will not generally be a linear function of  $\alpha$ , and it may be possible, with ingenuity, to match it to any target function  $f(\alpha)$  over  $[\pi/4, \pi/2]$ . Note also that we never need to know the values of  $E_\theta(\alpha)$  in the range  $\alpha \in [\pi/2 - \theta, \pi/2]$ .