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1. Consider the following game depicted the process of standard setting in highdefinition television (HDTV). The United States and Japan must simultaneously decide whether to invest a high or a low value into HDTV research. Each country's payoffs are summarized in figure below.

		<i>Japan</i>	
		Low	High
<i>U.S.</i>	Low	4, 3	2, 4
	High	3, 2	1, 1

- a. Are there any dominant strategies in this game? What is the Nash equilibrium of the game? What is the rationality assumption implicit in this equilibrium?
- b. Suppose now that the United States has the option of committing to a strategy before Japan's decision is reached. How would you model this new situation? What are the Nash equilibria of this new game?
- c. Comparing the answers to a) and b), what can you say about the value of commitment for the United States?

2. Two firms produce a homogenous product. Let p denote the product's price. The output level of firm 1 is denoted by q_1 , and the output level of firm 2 by q_2 . The aggregate industry output is denoted by Q , $Q = q_1 + q_2$. The aggregate industry demand curve for this product is given by $p = \alpha - Q$. Assume that the unit cost of firm 1 is c_1 and the unit cost of firm 2 is c_2 , where $\alpha > c_2 > c_1 > 0$. Perform the following:

- a. Solve for a competitive equilibrium.
- b. Solve for Cournot equilibrium.
- c. Solve for the sequential-moves equilibrium, assuming that firm 1 sets its output level before firm 2 does.
- d. Solve for Bertrand equilibrium.

(Note: Make sure that you solve for the output level of each firm and the market price.)

3. Consider a market for computer systems. A computer system is defined as a combination of two complementary products called computers (denoted by X), and monitors (denoted by Y). We denote p_X the price of one computer and by p_Y the price of a monitor. Therefore, since a system consists of one computer and one monitor, the price of a system is given by

$p_S = p_X + p_Y$. Let Q denote the quantity of systems purchased by all consumers, and assume that the aggregate consumer demand is given by $Q = \alpha - p_S$, where $Q = x = y$.

We denote by x the amount of computers sold to consumers and by y the amount of monitors sold.

Answer the following questions assuming that production is costless.

- a. Suppose that the X producer and the Y producer are independent. Solve for the Nash-Bertrand equilibrium in prices. Calculate the equilibrium prices and quantity produced of each product and firms' profit levels.
- b. Now suppose that firms X and Y merge under a single ownership. Calculate the monopoly equilibrium prices, the quantity produced of each product, and the monopoly's profit.
- c. Is this merger welfare improving? Compare system price and profits of the firms before and after the merger.

4. Give short answer to the following questions

- a. Explain what we mean by two-part tariffs in general and by using some example.
 - b. Explain when does the Stackelberg competition give first mover advantage and when second mover advantage.
 - c. Explain what is moral hazard problem (in regulation procedure) and how it can be solved?
5. Consider a situation where an authority wants to regulate a firm but it does not know the true costs of the firm. Explain what kind of economic mechanism would give the firms sufficient incentive to report its true costs.

