

Exercise 10.1: Optimal Bid

Recall

- cumulative distribution function: $F_X(z) = \Pr[X < z]$
- uniform distribution on $[0, 1]$: $F_X(z) = z$
- first-price auction: highest bidder wins, winner pays bid.

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Setup:

- you are bidding in a first-price auction
- other bidders with i.i.d. uniform bids on $[0, 1]$

Questions: your value is $v = 1/2$

- What should you bid against one other bidder?
- What should you bid against two other bidders?

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Today:

- learning to bid
- full feedback
- partial feedback
- equilibrium of no-regret learning
(coarse correlated equilibrium)