Supplementary Information Introspection dynamics in asymmetric multiplayer games

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Supplementary Figure 1: Introspection dynamics in general public goods game with asymmetric players. We show stationary properties of the dynamics in a game with particular values of synergy/discount parameter and reference cost. For a detailed description of the game, please see the section on general public goods game the main text. The setup is the same as Figure 3 of main text. There are three players with asymmetric costs and benefits. The respective costs for player 1, 2 and 3 are $c + \delta_c$, c, and $c - \delta_c$ respectively. The respective benefits they provide upon cooperation are $b + \delta_b$, b and $b - \delta_b$ respectively. The parameters c and b respectively are the cost and benefits of the reference player (player 2). In here, we look at the cooperation probability for each player (and also overall cooperation) in stationary distribution of the introspection process. In the top row, we set i) the public good to be synergistic w = 1.5 and ii) a high reference cost, c = 1. In the bottom row, we set i) the public good to be discounted w = 0.5 and ii) a low reference cost c = 0.2. For all panels, $\beta = 5$.



Supplementary Figure 2: Introspection dynamics in general public goods game with asymmetric players. We show stationary properties of the dynamics in a game with fixed asymmetry strengths. For a detailed description of the game, please see the section on general public goods game in the main text. The setup is the same as Supplementary Figure 1. In here, we show the cooperation probability of each player (and also the overall cooperation) in the stationary distribution of the introspection process versus the reference $\cot c$ ($\cot c$ player 2) and the synergy/discount factor of the public good, w. For each row, the strength of asymmetry between the players is fixed. In the top row, the players do not differ in their benefits (they all have a benefit of value 2) but player 1 and player 3 have their cost of cooperation 0.5 units higher and lower respectively than player 2 ($\cot c$ cooperation, c (which is varied in the y-axis) but player 1 and player 3 have their benefit to the public good 1 unit higher and lower respectively than player 2.