

# Inverse Preference Elicitation

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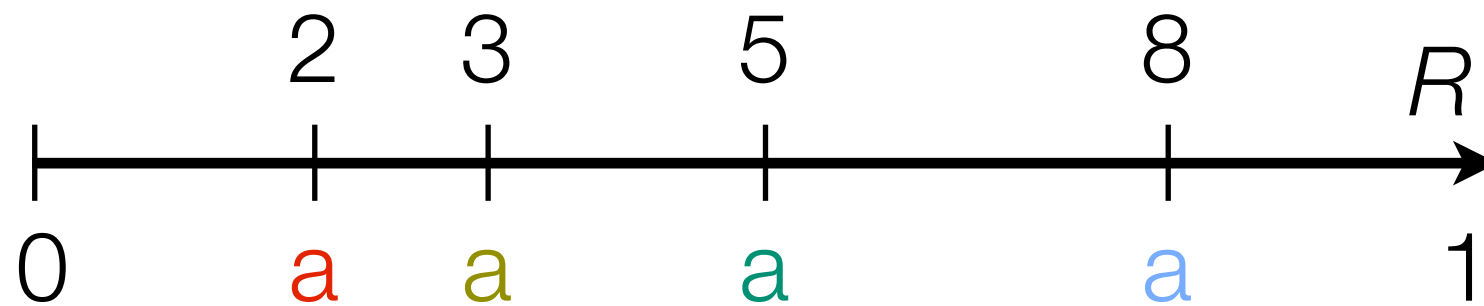
- Identify an outcome of interest (**reward**)  $R$ , predictive patient features (**state**)  $S$ , and a set of treatments (**actions**)  $A$
- Construct a predictive model
  - Input:  $(S, A)$  Output: Prediction of  $R$
- Could be done by regressing  $R$  on  $(S, A)$  for example
- e.g., have  $(S, A, R)$  for each individual,  $A$  is randomized



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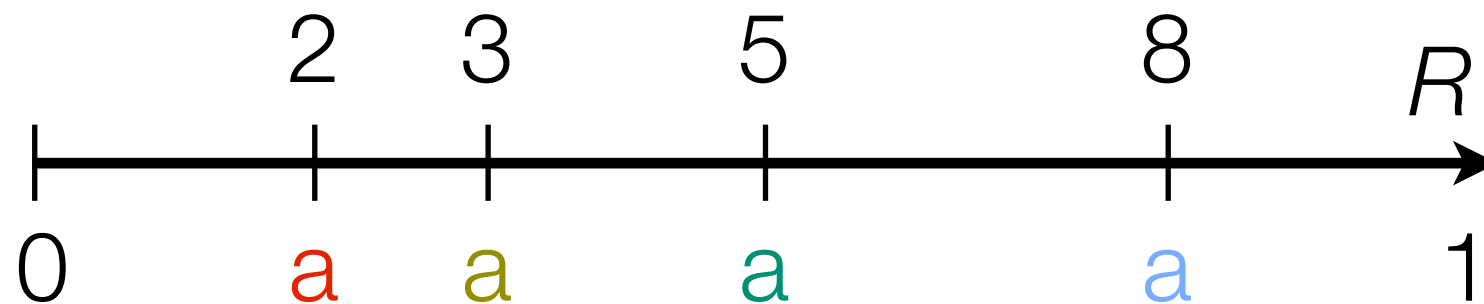


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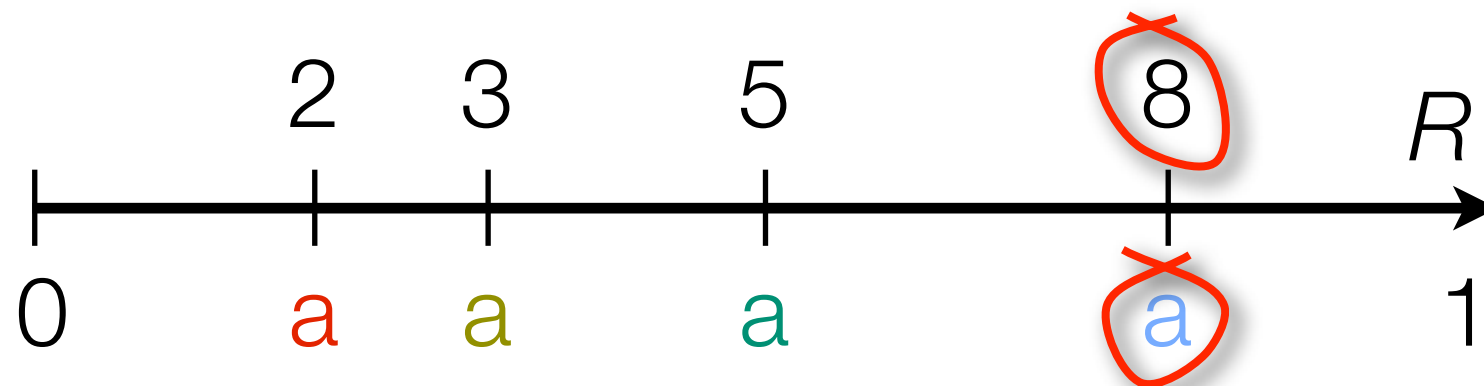


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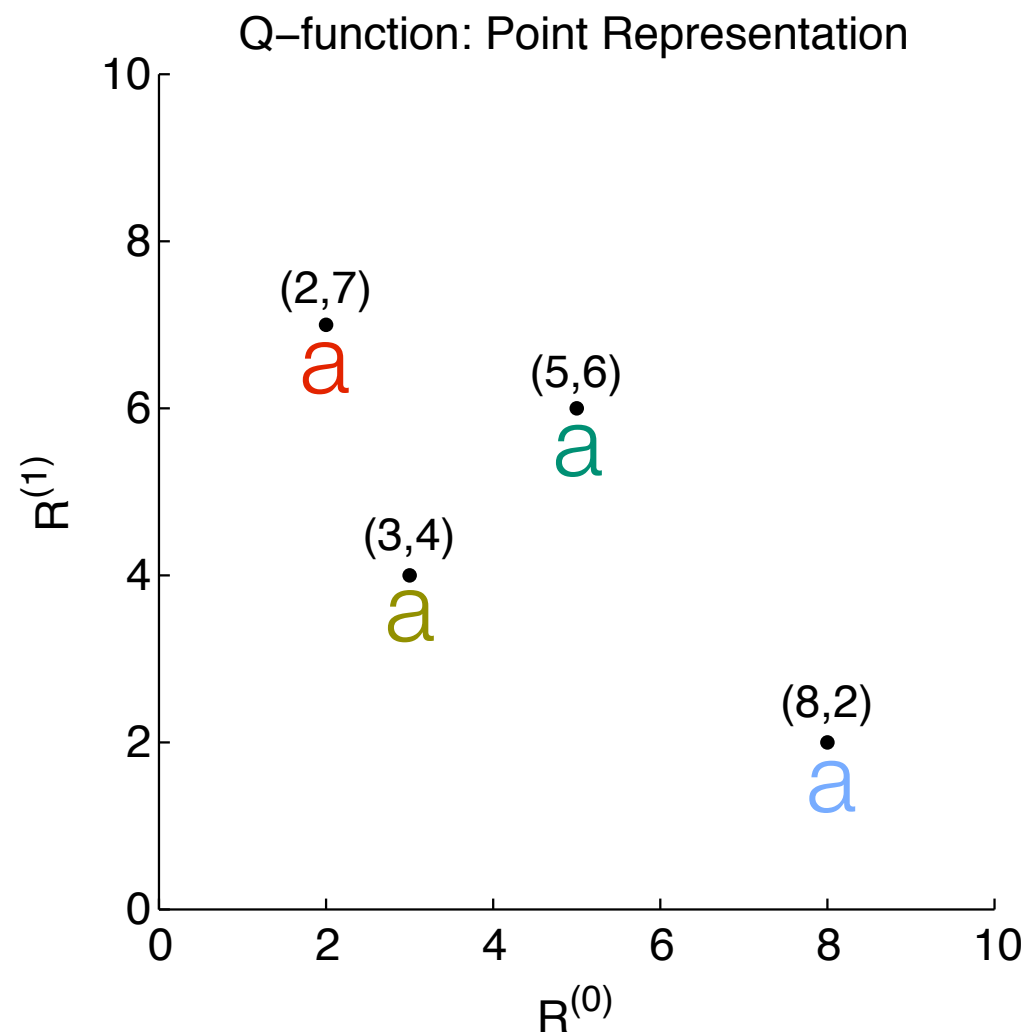


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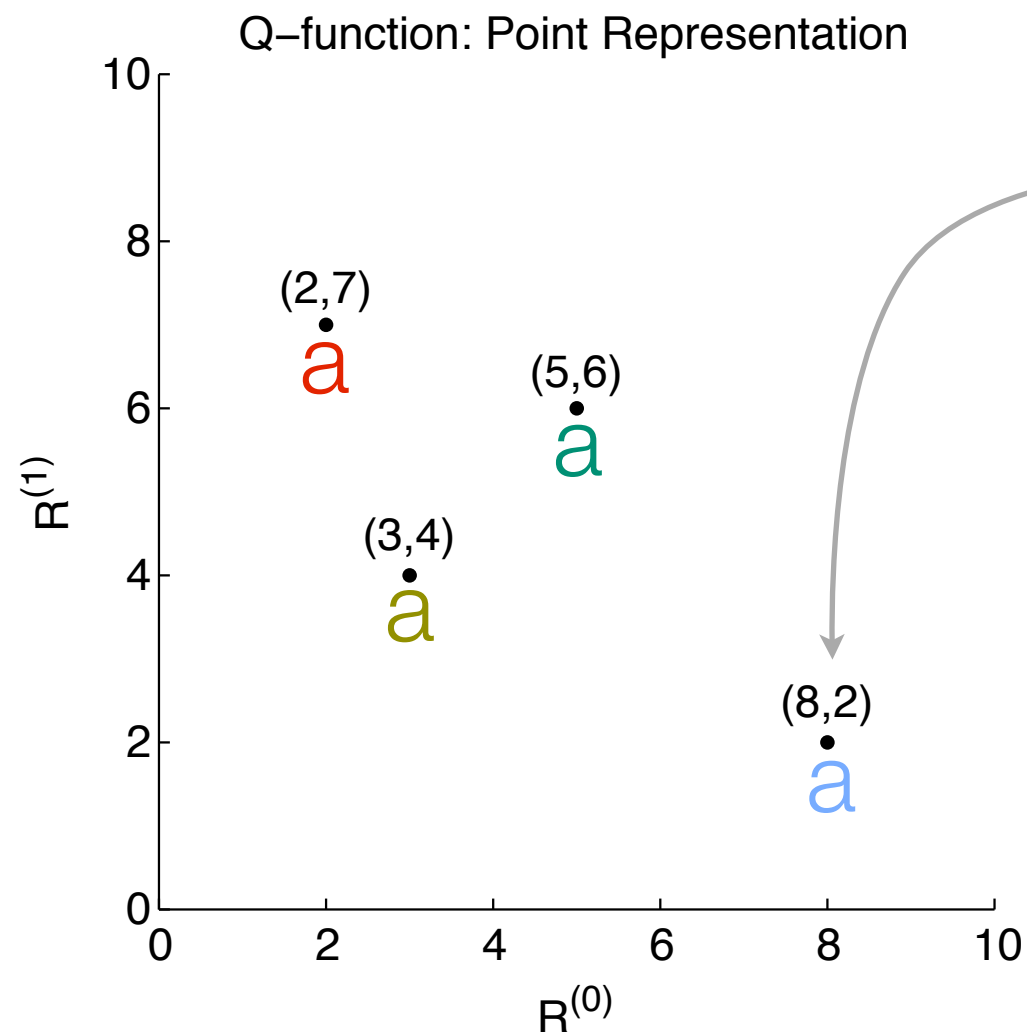


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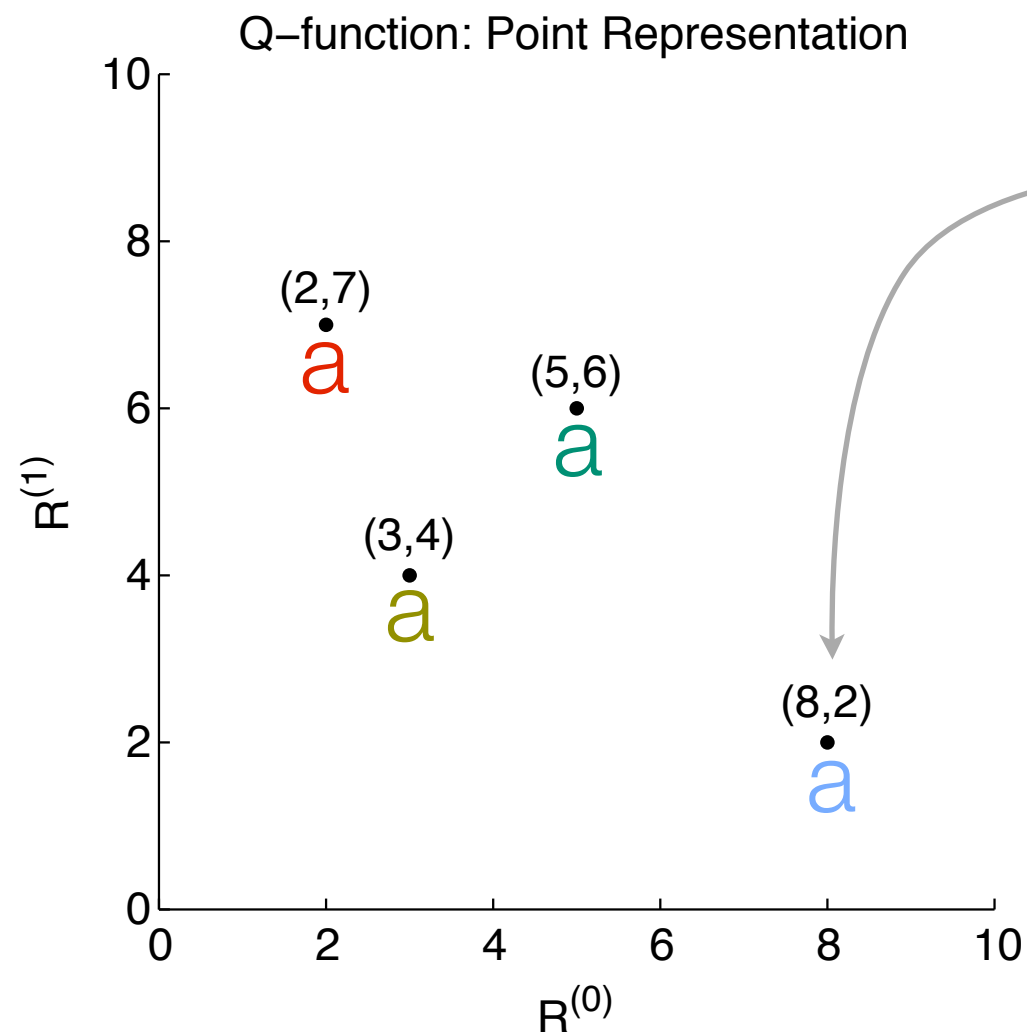
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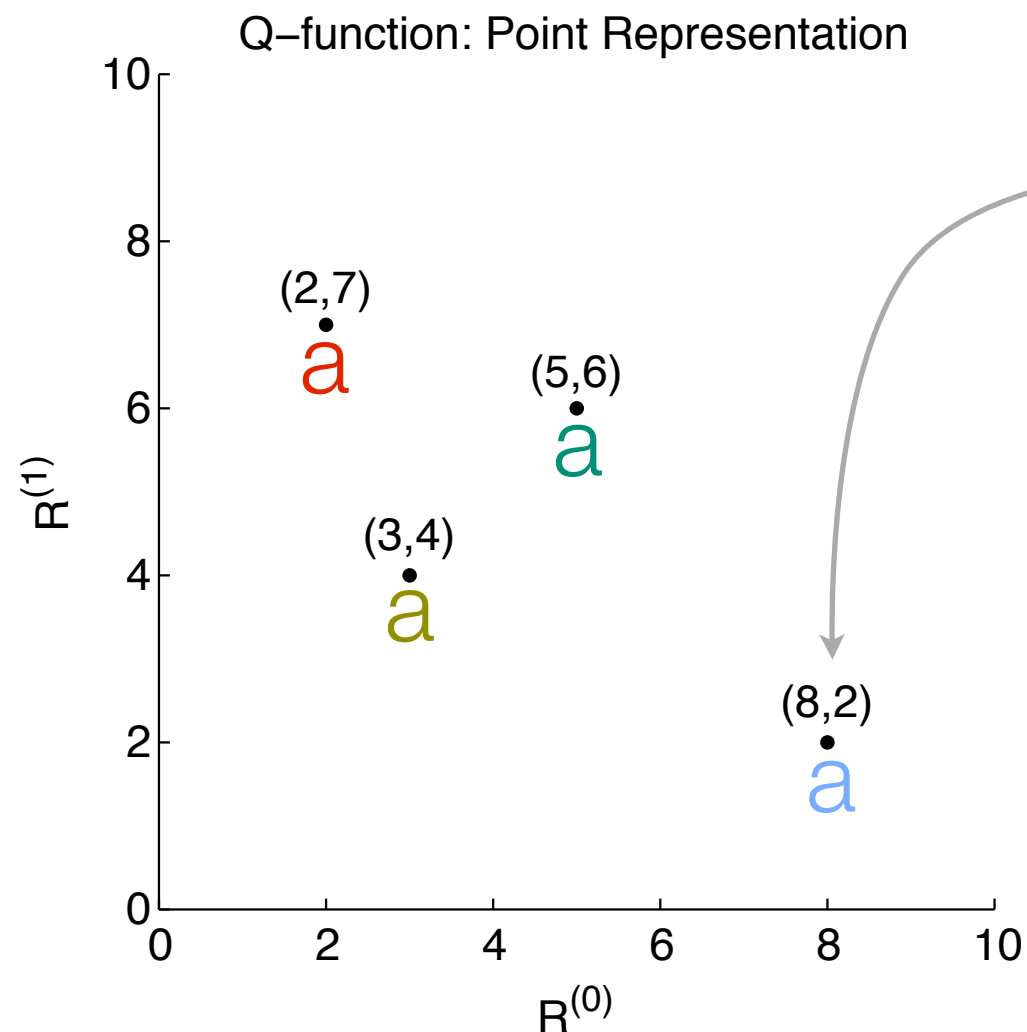
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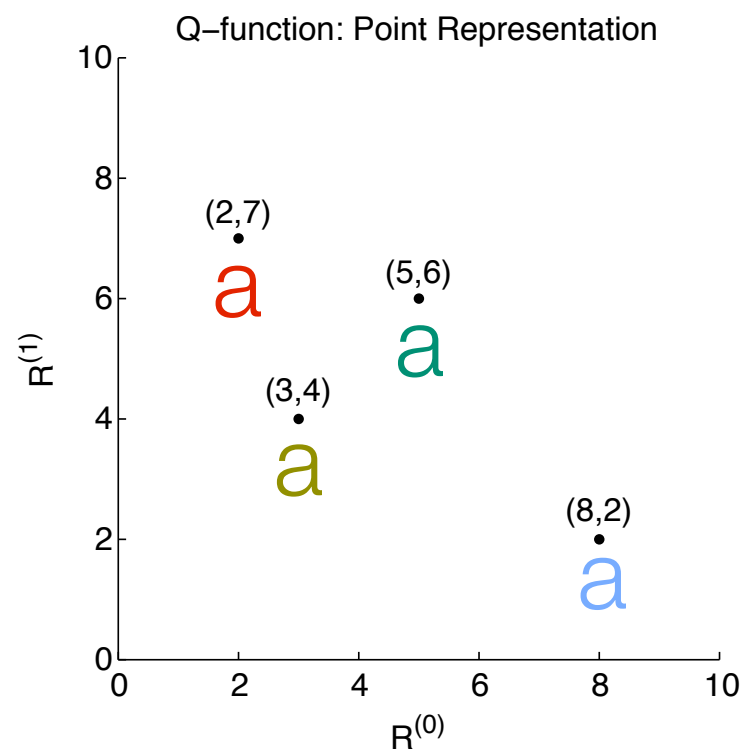
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To decide, we need more information.

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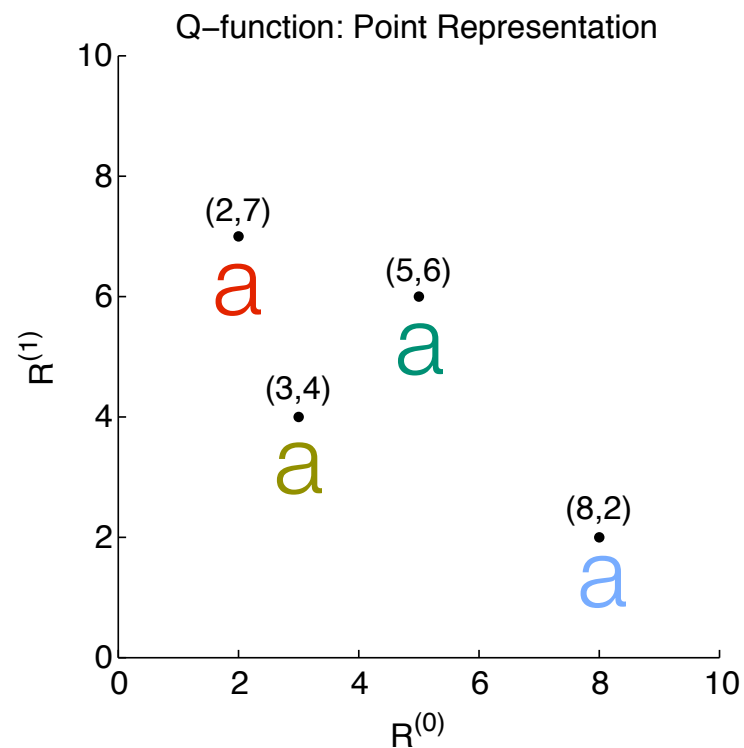
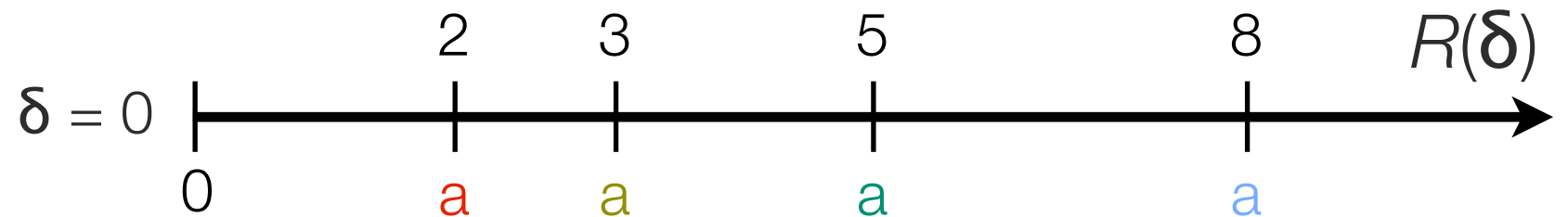
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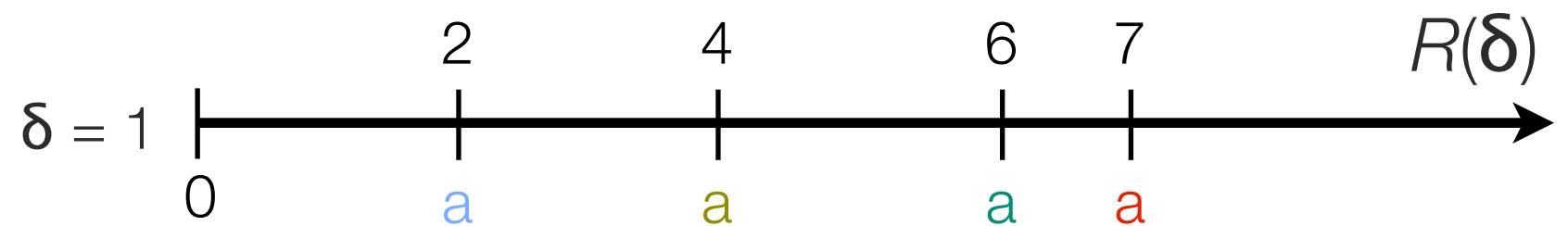
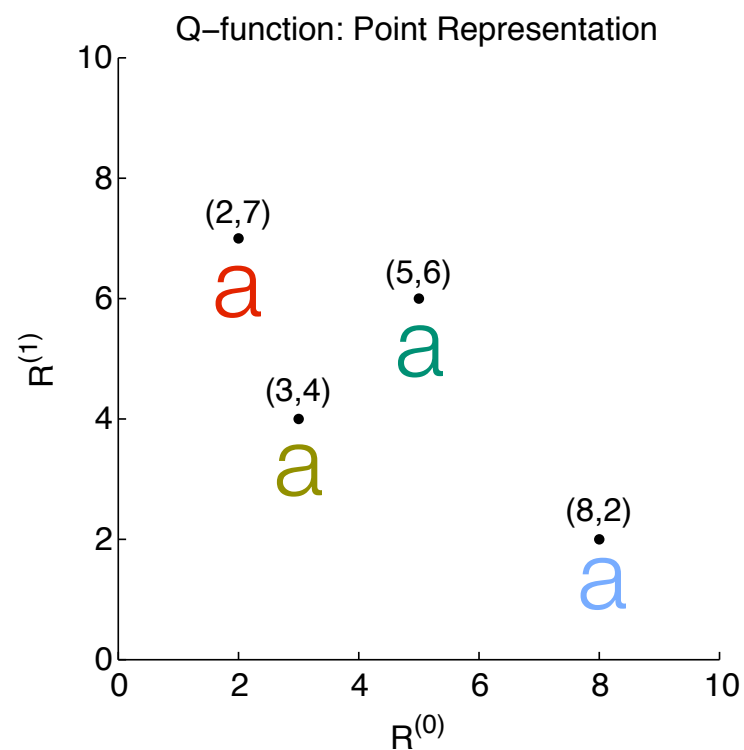
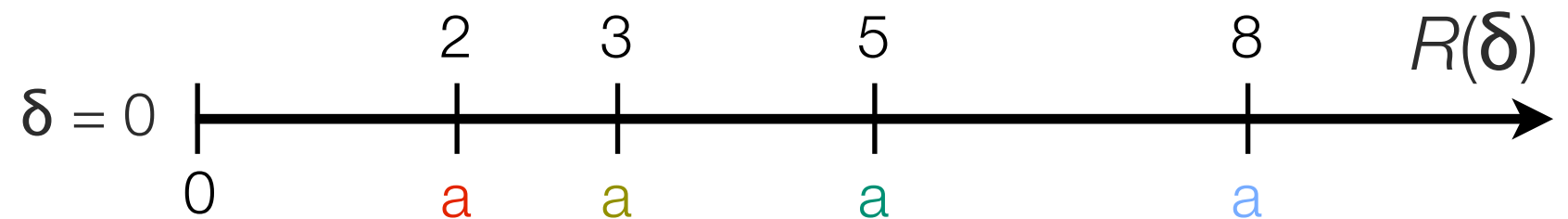
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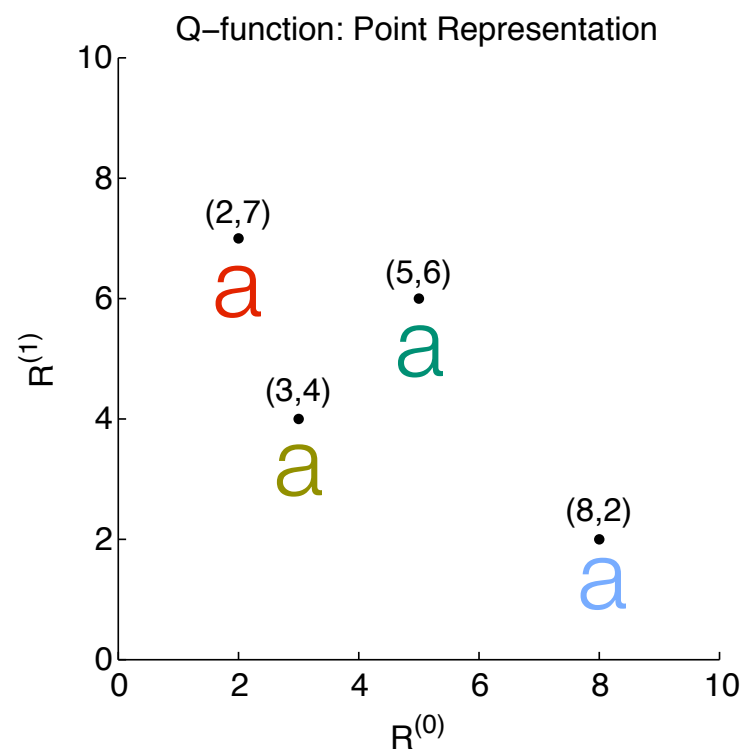
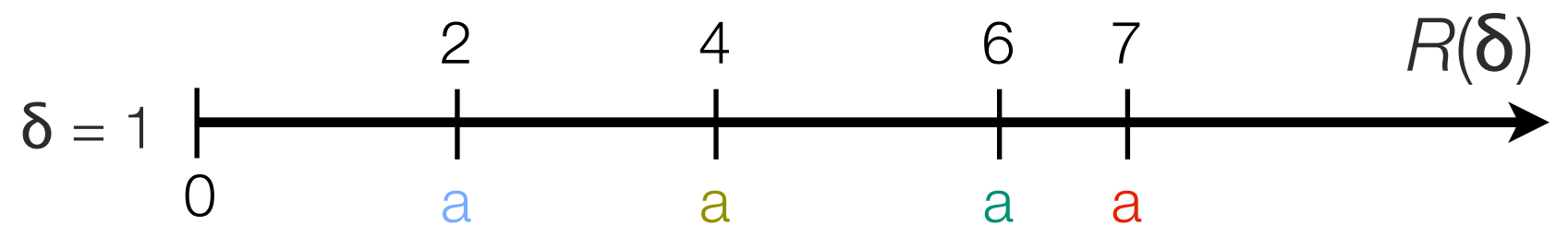
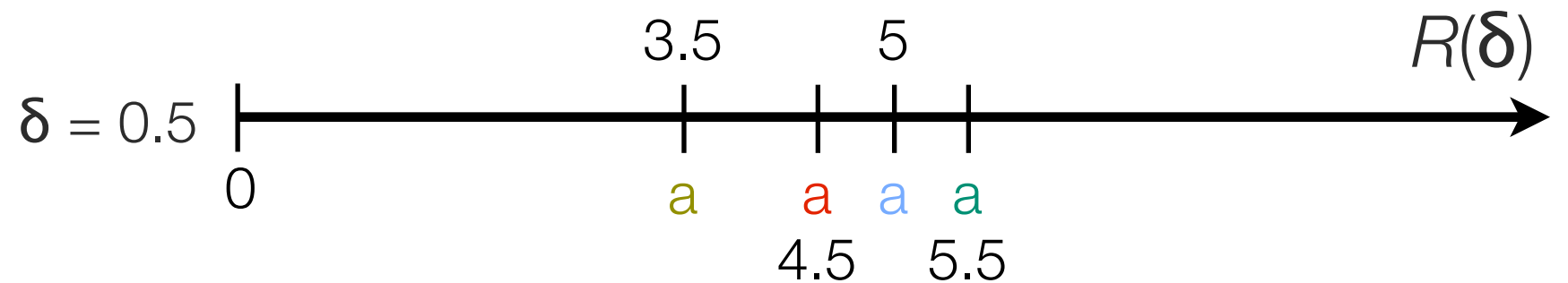
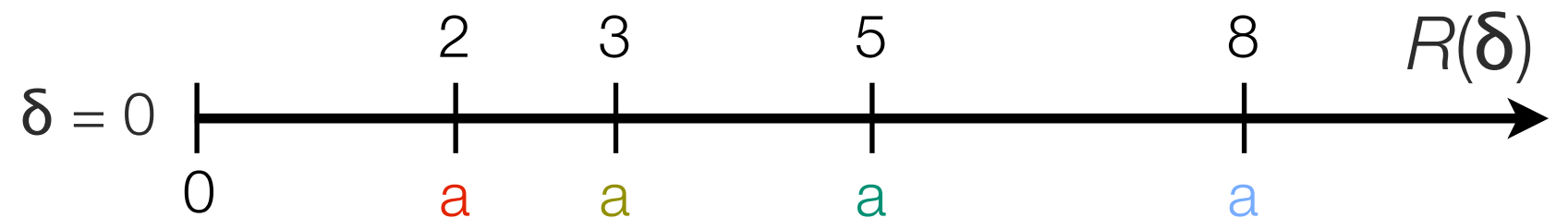
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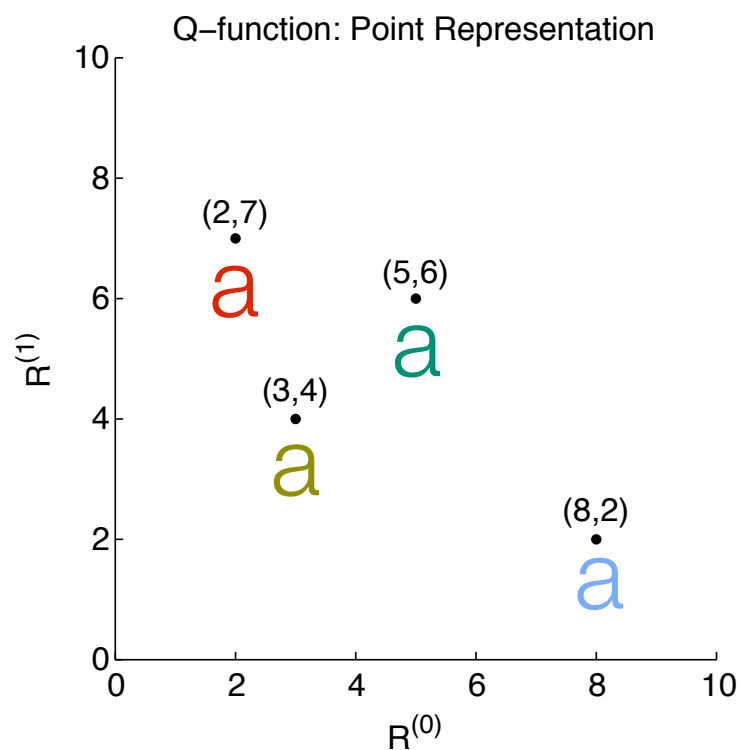
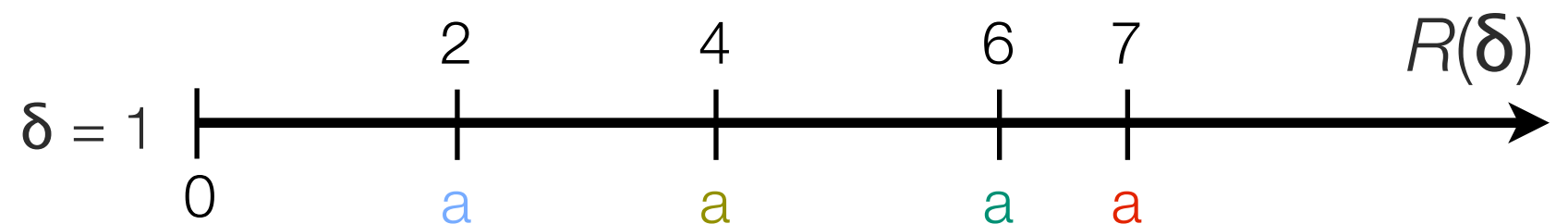
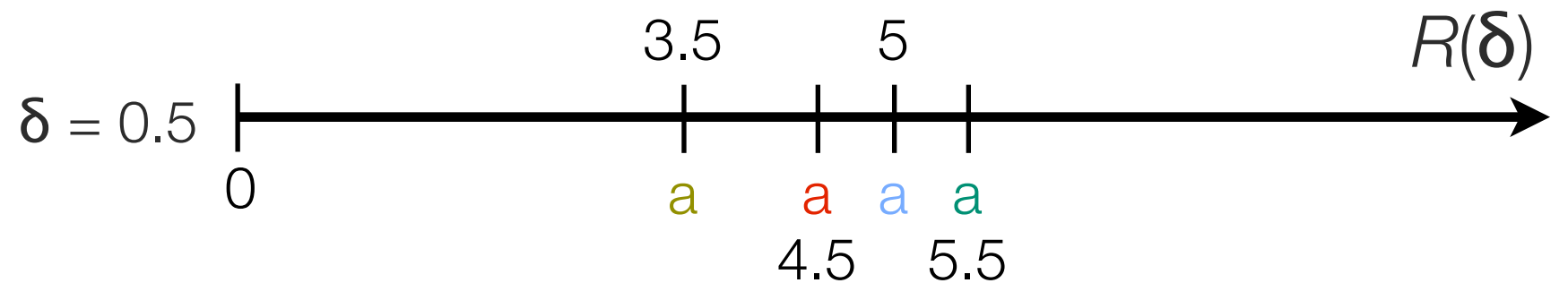
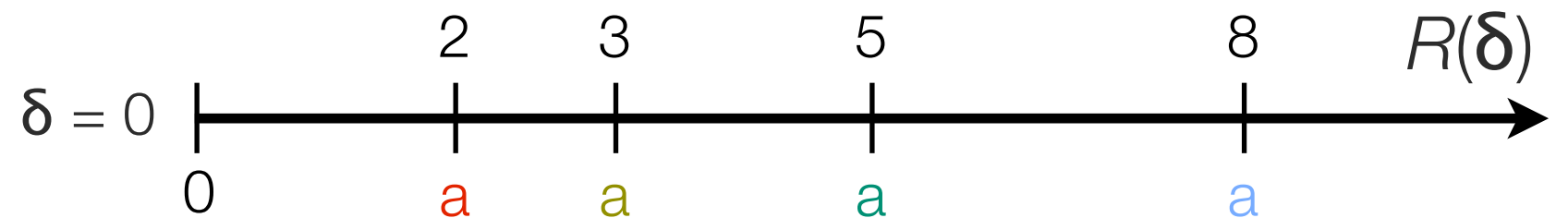
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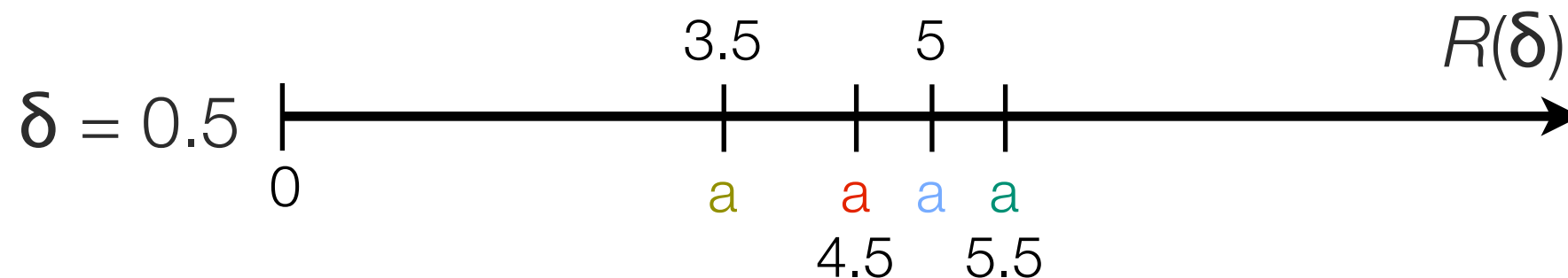
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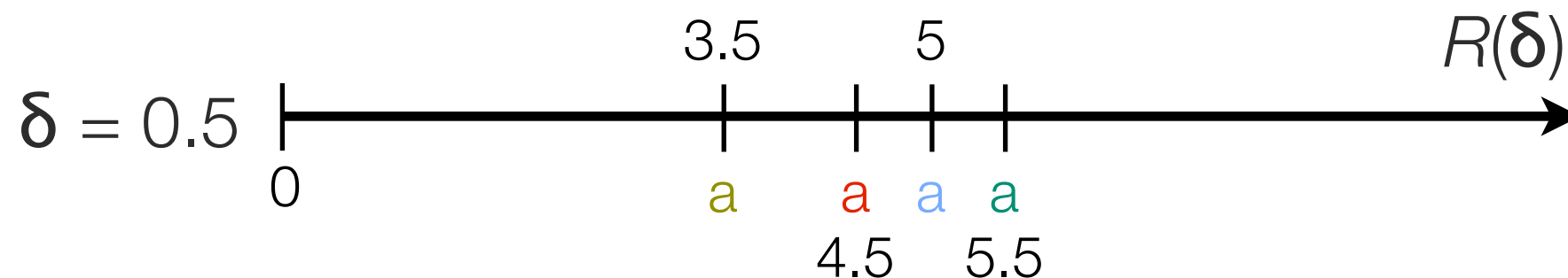
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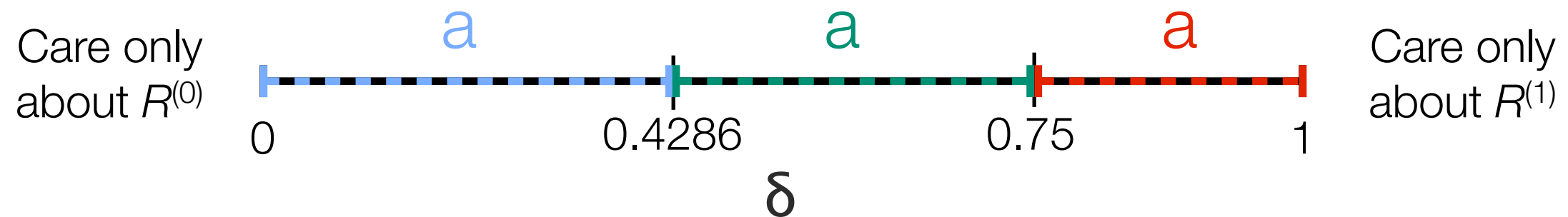
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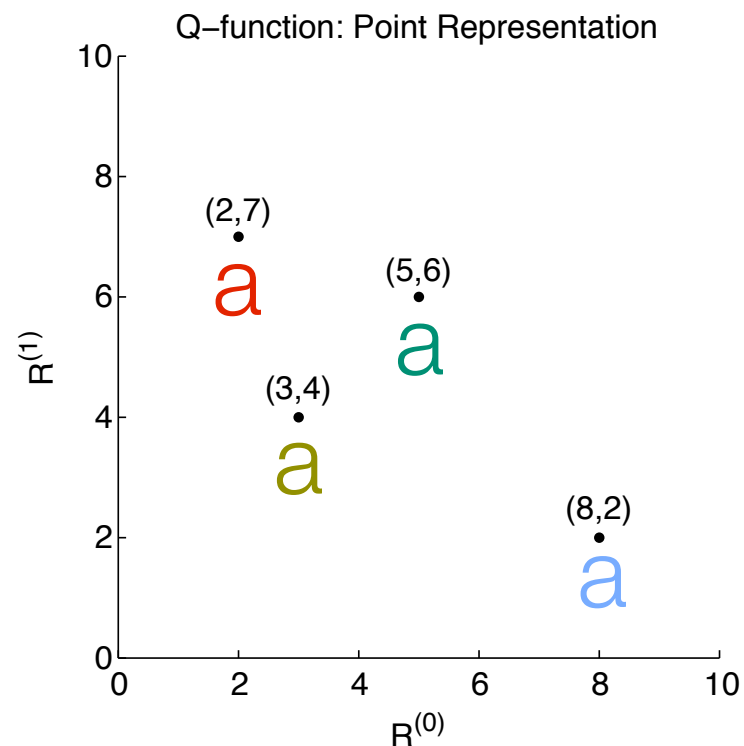
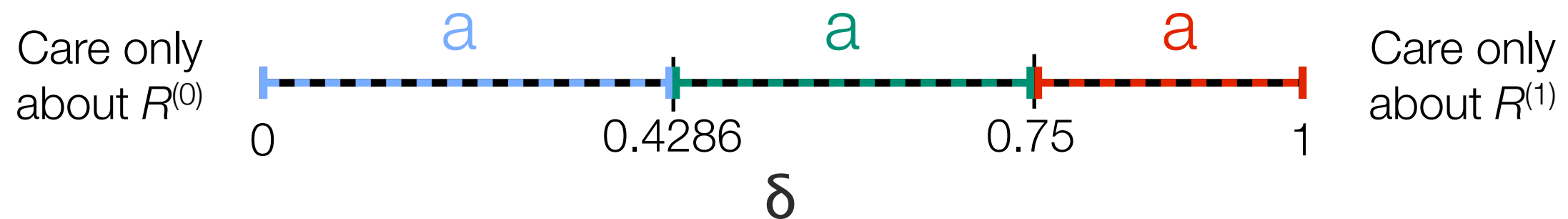
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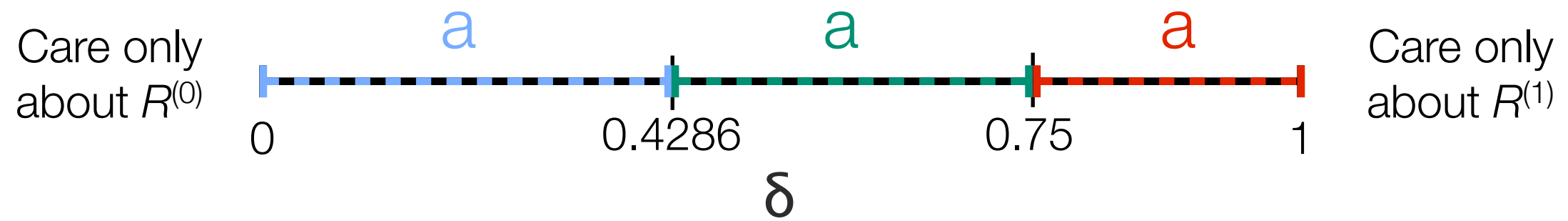
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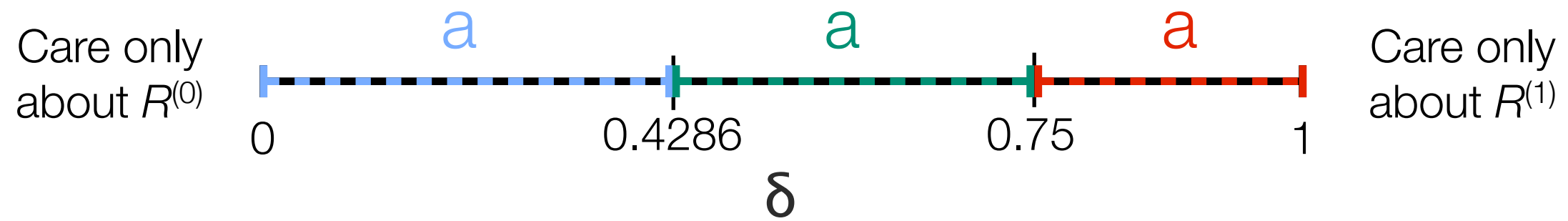
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# Preference Elicitation vs. Inverse Preference Elicitation

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  - Provides information about available actions
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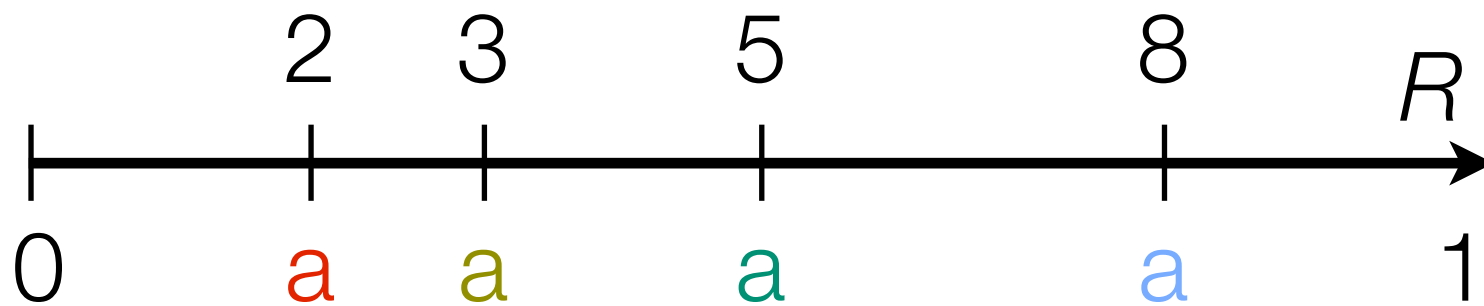
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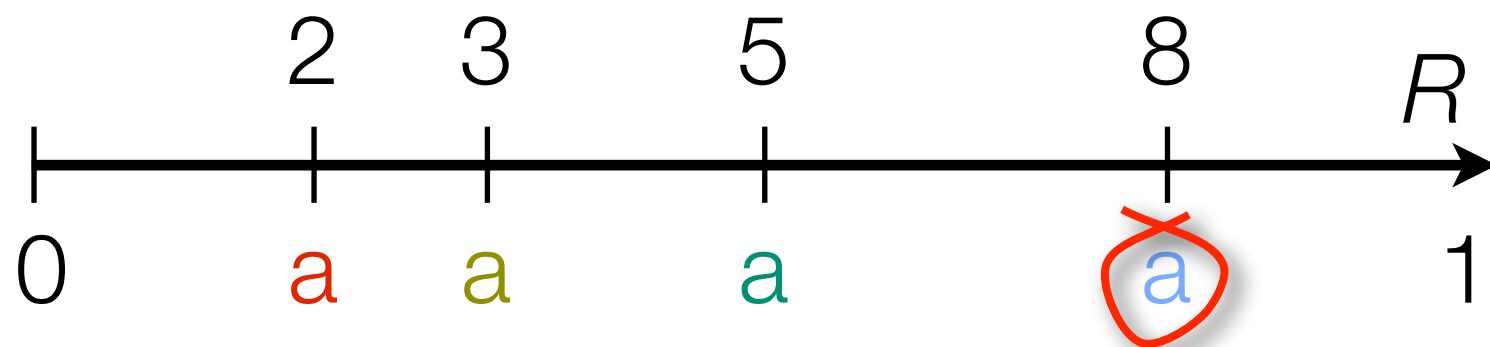
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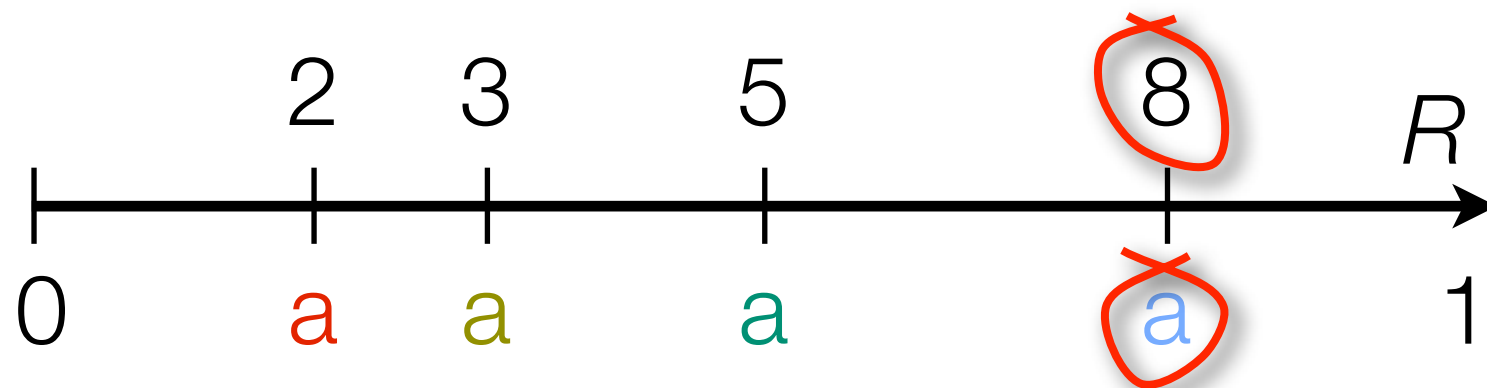
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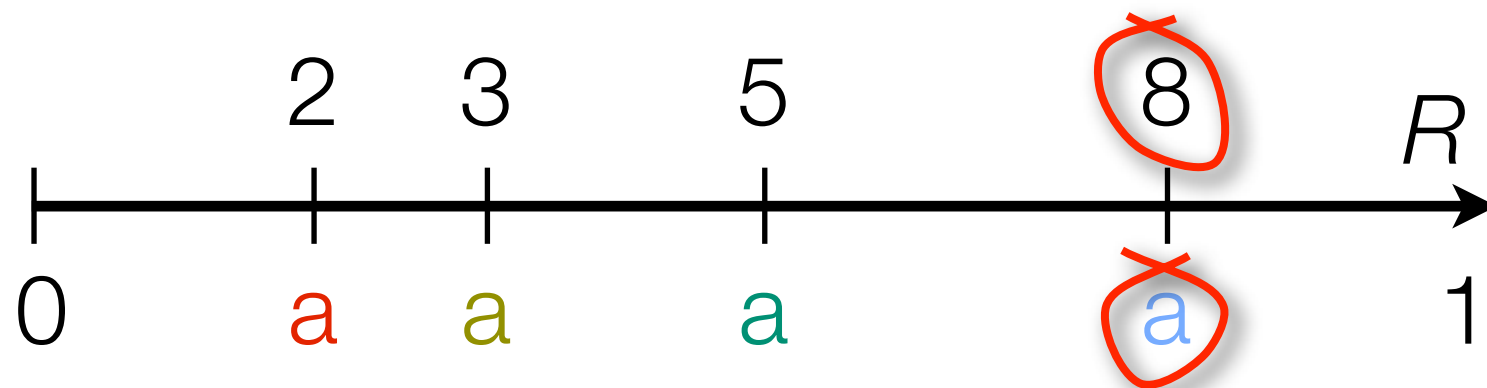
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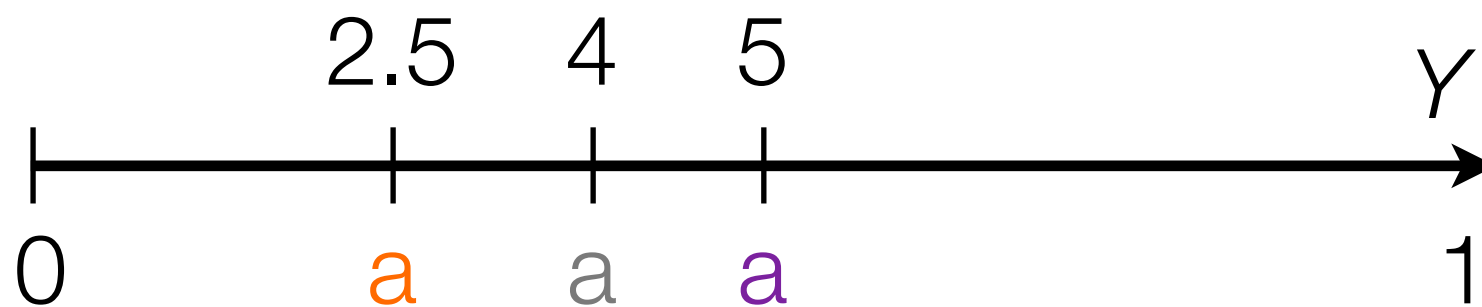
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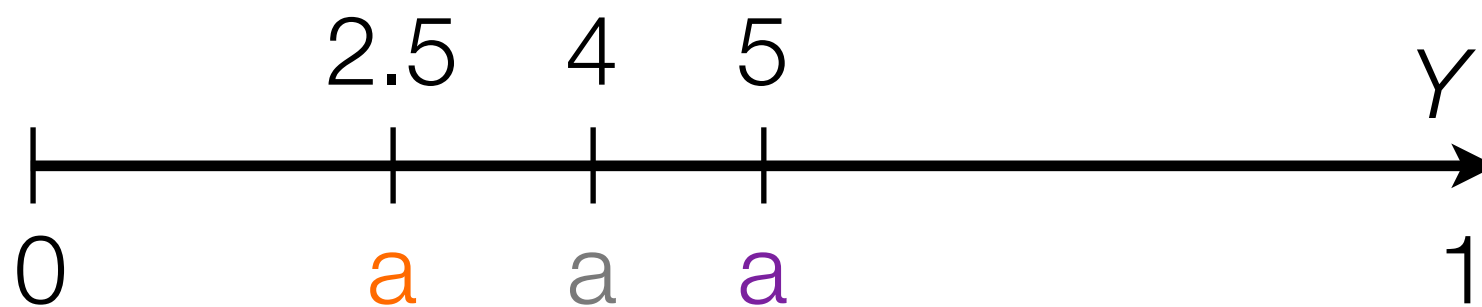
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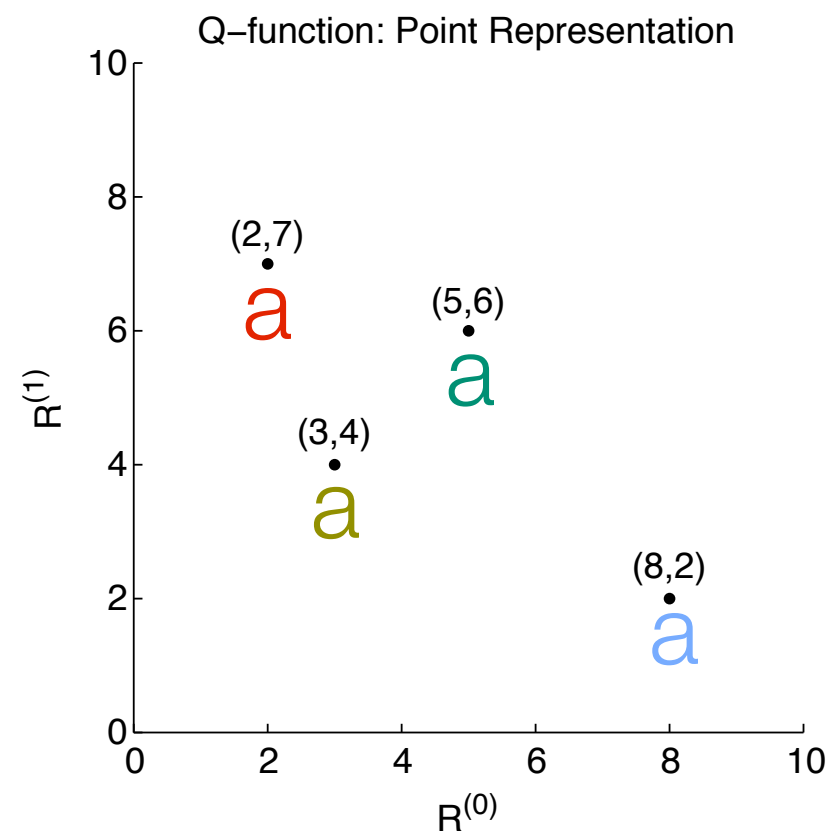
We now have our decision rule for Stage 1



# Dynamic Programming: Multiple Rewards

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- Big “trick” was constructing  $Y$ 
  - Requires knowing the decision rule at stage 2
  - But what if we don't know?

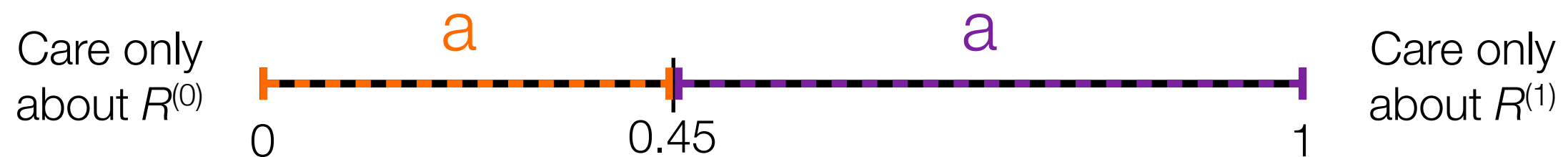


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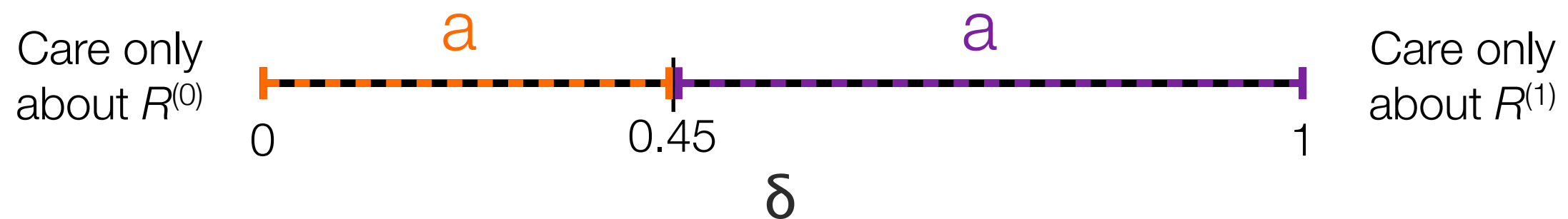
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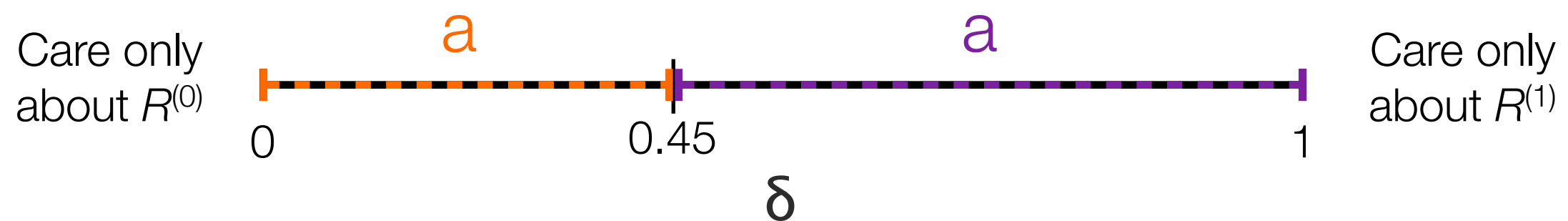
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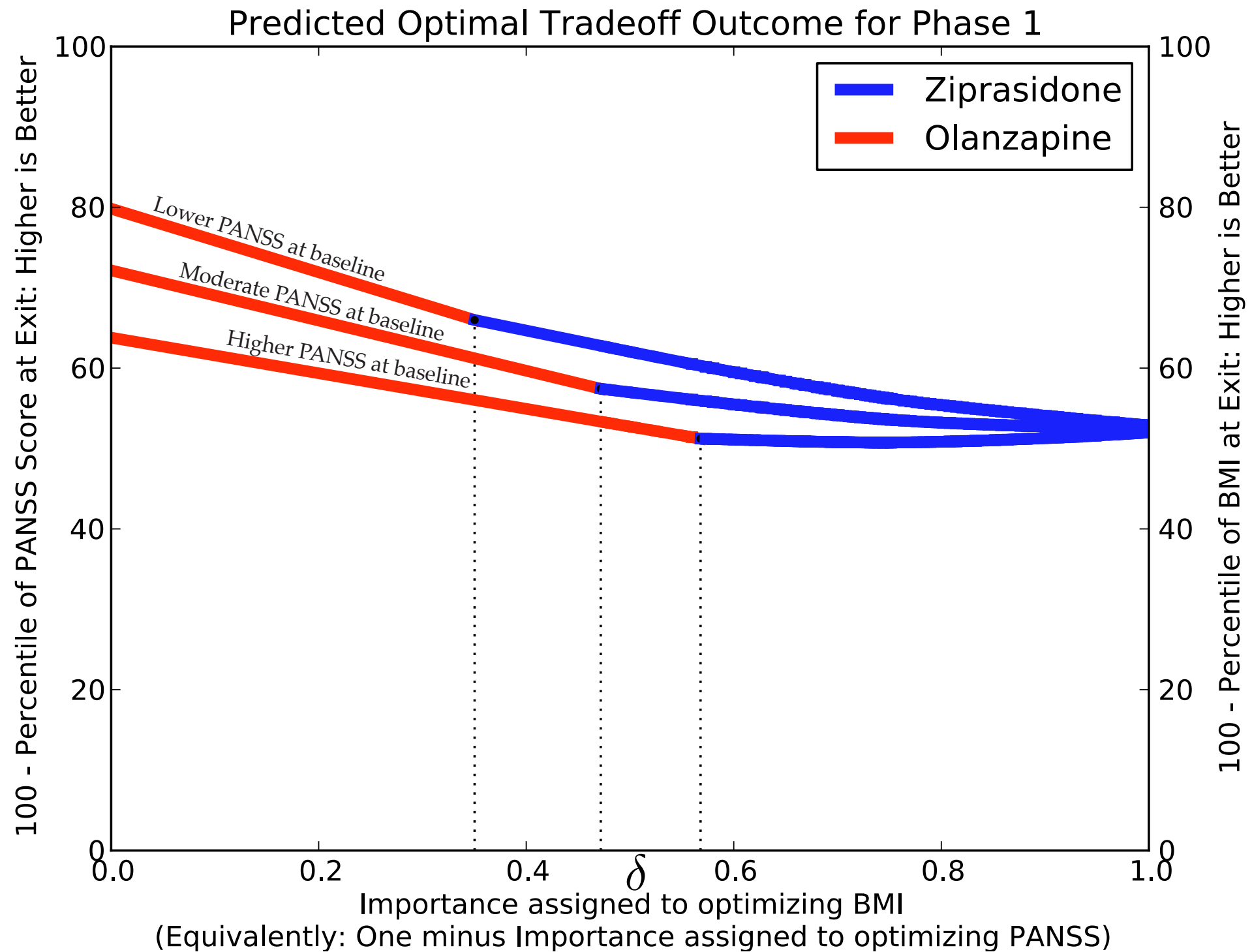
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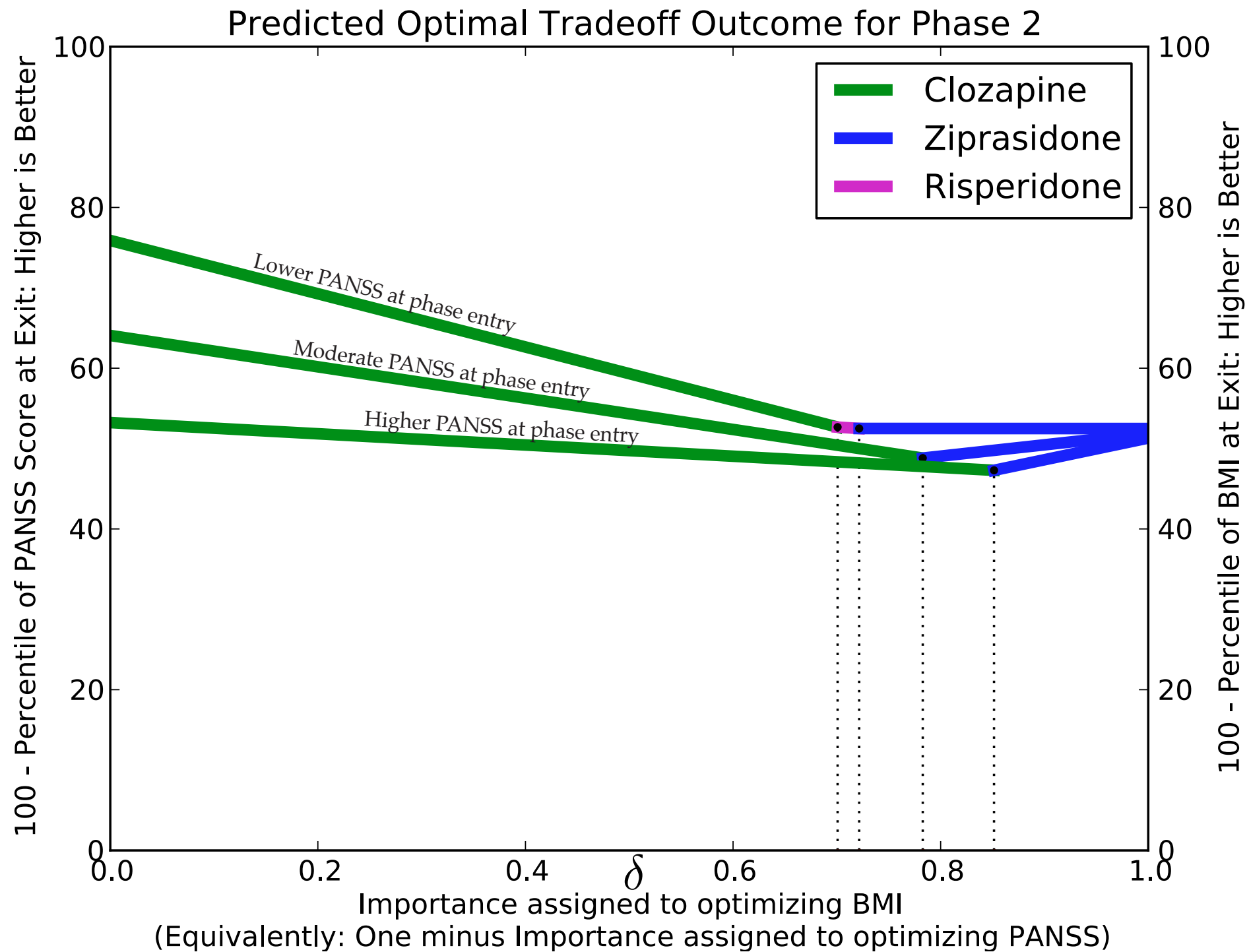
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- Large (n = 1460) comparative effectiveness trial funded by NIMH
- Compares medications for treatment of schizophrenia
- Most patients randomized two times:
  - First to one of 5 actions
  - Then, if desired, to one of 5 different actions
- Details are quite complicated
- Following is a *highly* simplified analysis
- Overall, the results are consistent with what is known in the literature
- Rewards: PANSS (symptoms) versus BMI (weight gain side-effect)

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# Example: CATIE-based Decision Aid

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- One possibility for a decision aid is a very coarse version of the plots:

<b>Recommendation given State and Preference</b>	Strong Preference for Symptom Relief over Weight Control	Mild Preference for Symptom Relief over Weight Control	Mild Preference for Weight Control over Symptom Relief	Strong Preference for Weight Control over Symptom Relief
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- Thanks to: Holly Wittemann, Brian Zikmund-Fisher for this idea



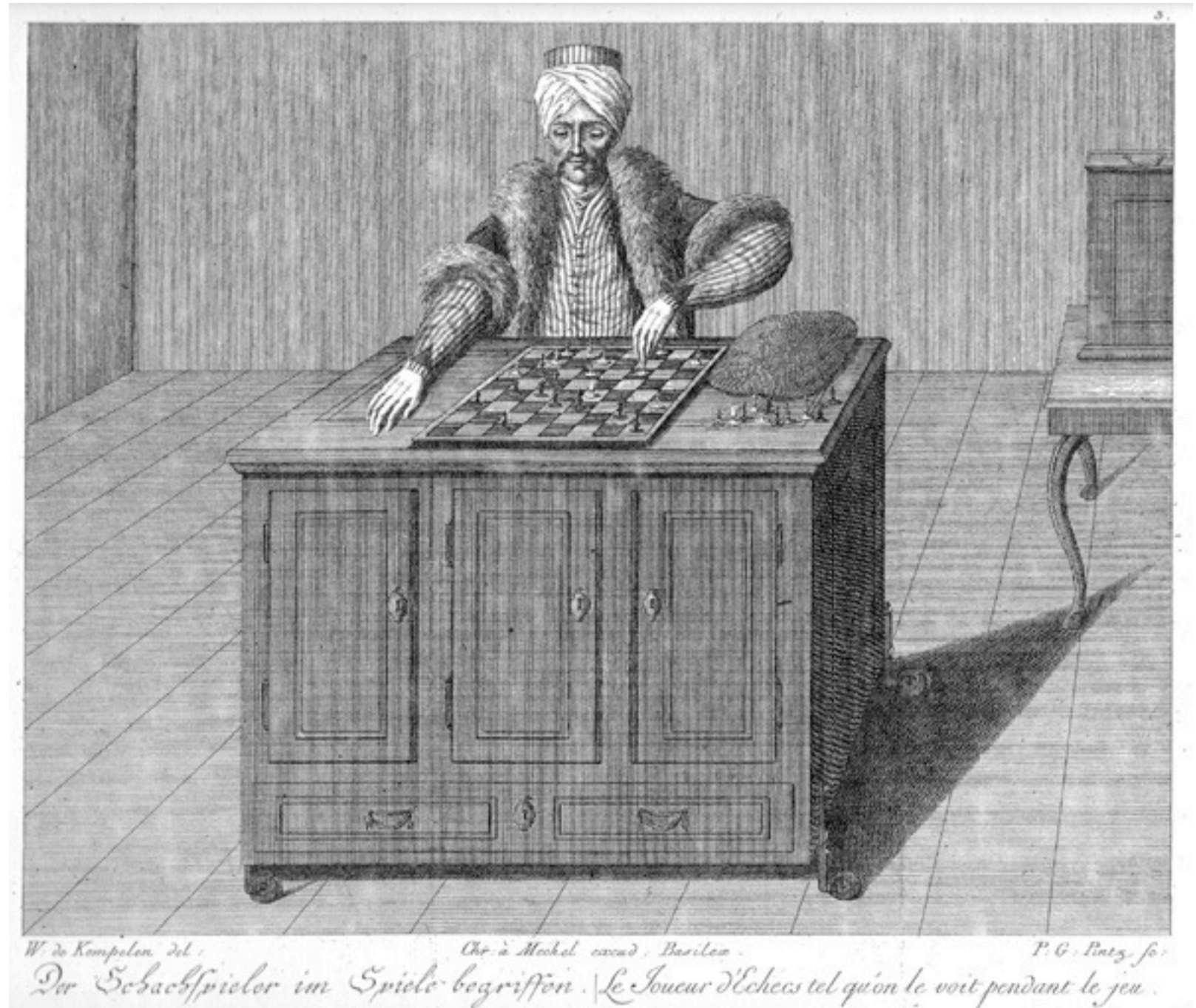
# Future Work

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- Evaluating the “Inverse Preference Elicitation” Idea
  - **MTurk Evaluation**
- The Algorithms and Methods
  - Measures of Uncertainty
  - More flexible models / Approximation algorithms
  - More reward definitions
- **Clinical Science Applications**

# Amazon Mechanical Turk

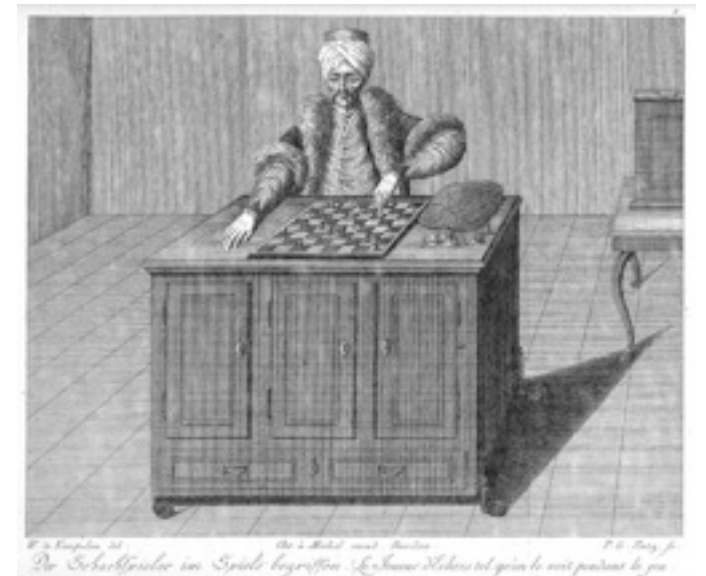
- Mechanism for recruiting and paying users to do “Human Intelligence Tasks” - HITs
- Popular for running survey experiments (demographics at least as good as undergrads [Paolacci, Chandler, Ipeirotis 2010])



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- Our experiment will compare eliciting  $\delta$  using a slider with directly eliciting an action using a decision aid.
- User will perform one of four different (similar and boring) sub-tasks, each one with different rate of pay and time duration
- The choice of action determines the sub-task, *and also* affects the workload of all the subsequent subtasks - myopic decision making is sub-optimal.
- Competing preferences:
  - Save time vs. Make money
- We will compare the appeal of the two methods
- Plan to go live January 2011



# Future Work - Clinical Science

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## 1. Schizophrenia

- Symptom reduction versus functionality, or weight gain

## 2. Major Depressive Disorder

- Symptom reduction versus weight gain, other side-effects

## 3. Type 2 Diabetes

- Future disease complications versus drug side-effects

# Questions

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