



## Correction to: Ringleader Discrimination in Leniency Policies

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In the original publication of the article, the appearance of  $\tilde{\mu}$  and the inequalities  $\mu \geq \tilde{\mu}$  and  $\mu < \tilde{\mu}$  throughout the paper are disorderly presented.

In Tables 1 and 2, the payoff combination “*B, B*” is placed without space.

The text between Lemma 2 and Lemma 3, Lemma 4 and Lemma 5, Lemma 6 and Lemma 7, Lemma 7 and Proposition 2 and incorrectly provided in italics.

The mathematical expressions in the paragraph below Lemma 8 “ $(\delta'_{pd}(\sigma_1)$  and  $V'_{pd}(\sigma_1)$ )” are placed very closely that may cause confusion.

In the Appendix, the Proof of *Lemma 8* and *Proposition 3* (especially the first lines) on p. 18 is not properly presented. I quote the correct form of this proof right below:

Recall that the critical discount factors for the ringleader and the follower are

$$\delta'_n(\sigma) = \frac{2(1-\sigma) + a\sigma\mu}{2(1-a)} \quad \text{and} \quad \delta''_n(\sigma) = \frac{2\sigma + a\mu(1-\sigma)}{2(1-a)},$$

respectively when both report under non-discrimination. Observe that  $\frac{\partial \delta'_n}{\partial \sigma} < 0$  and  $\frac{\partial \delta''_n}{\partial \sigma} > 0$ ; the ringleader’s (follower’s) ICC loosens (tightens) with  $\sigma$ .

For  $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\delta'_n\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \delta''_n\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \delta_n = \frac{2+a\mu}{4(1-a)}$ ;  $\max\{\delta'_n, \delta''_n\}$ ; is minimized; and the firms’ expected collusive payoffs are also equal:  $V'_n\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = V''_n\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi(2-a\mu)}{2[1-\delta(1-a)]}$ .

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The critical discount factors for the ringleader and the follower are  $\delta'_{pd}(\sigma) = \frac{1-\sigma+a\sigma\mu}{1-a}$  and  $\delta''_{pd}(\sigma) = \frac{\sigma}{1-a'}$ , respectively, given that the investigated follower reports under partial discrimination. Observe that  $\frac{\partial\delta'_{pd}}{\partial\sigma} < 0$  and  $\frac{\partial\delta''_{pd}}{\partial\sigma} > 0$ ; the ringleader's (follower's) ICC loosens (tightens) with  $\sigma$ .

For  $\sigma = \sigma_1 \equiv \frac{1}{2-a\mu}$ ,  $\delta'_{pd}(\sigma_1) = \delta''_{pd}(\sigma_1) = \frac{1}{(1-a)(2-a\mu)}$ . For  $\sigma = \sigma_1$  the firms' expected collusive payoffs are also equal:  $V'_{pd}(\sigma_1) = V''_{pd}(\sigma_1)$ . It is easy to verify that

$$\delta'_{pd}(\sigma_1) = \frac{1}{(1-a)(2-a\mu)} > \delta_n = \frac{2+a\mu}{4(1-a)}.$$

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