# Games and complexity: <br> from Banach-Mazur to automata theory 

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## Part 1

## Generic objects

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& p_{0} \\
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p_{0} & &
\end{array}
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\end{array} \\
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\begin{aligned}
& \begin{array}{rlll}
P_{0,0} & P_{0,1} & P_{0,2} & P_{0,3}
\end{array} P_{0,4} \\
& \leqslant \mathrm{~W} \quad \leqslant \mathrm{~W} \quad \leqslant \mathrm{~W} \quad \leqslant \mathrm{~W} \quad \leqslant \mathrm{w} \quad \leqslant \mathrm{w} \quad \leqslant \mathrm{w} \quad \leqslant \mathrm{w} \leqslant \mathrm{w} \\
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P_{1,0+1} & P_{1,1+1} & P_{1,2+1} & P_{1,3+1} & P_{1,4+1} & P_{1,5+1} & P_{1,5+1} & P_{1, t+1} & n_{1, \ldots} & n_{10 \ldots} & n+m
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\alpha= & \\
\rho= & q_{0} \\
\Omega: & I \\
\tau= & 1
\end{array}
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$$
\begin{aligned}
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& \begin{array}{lllllllllll}
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\end{array}\right) \\
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$$
\begin{array}{rccc}
\alpha= & 0 & 2 \\
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\Omega: & I & I & \\
\tau= & 1 & & 3
\end{array}
$$

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$$
\begin{aligned}
& \alpha=0 \quad 0 \\
& \rho=q_{0} \int q_{1} \smile q_{2} \\
& \Omega \text { : I I } \\
& \tau=1 \quad 3
\end{aligned}
$$

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## Effective characterisations

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## Part 4

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