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Abstract

Culture is a central concept broadly studied in social anthropology and sociology. It has been gaining increasing attention in economics in relation to research on discrimination in a labor market, identity, gender, and social preferences. Most experimental economics research on culture studies cross-national or cross-ethnic differences in economic behavior. These studies reveal clear behavioral differences across different ethnic groups, yet do not provide a general deductive framework for specifying the underlying preferences behind these differences.

We explain laboratory behavior in the dictator, ultimatum, and trust games based on two cultural dimensions adopted from a prominent general cultural framework in contemporary social anthropology: group commitment and grid control. Group-ness measures the extent to which individual identity is incorporated into group or collective identity; grid-ness measures the extent to which social and political prescriptions intrinsically influence individual behavior. One objective of this paper is to show that the grid-group framework, despite its origins in comparative ethnography, is adaptable to an experimental setting and indeed provides a parsimonious framework for generating testable behavioral predictions across a variety of experimental games. Another is to test the predictions of the grid-group framework on a number of simple games widely employed by experimental economists.

Grid-group characteristics are measured for each individual using selected items from the World Values Survey. We find that these attributes allow us to systematically predict behavior in a way that discriminates among multiple forms of social preferences using a simple, parsimonious deductive model. Based on the implications of the theory, we hypothesize that subjects with higher group scores will tend to offer more in dictator and ultimatum games and entrust more in trust games. When responding in ultimatum games, those with high grid scores are hypothesized to reject more often and divide less, and to tie acceptance and amount divided more closely to the amount offered.

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When responding in trust games, those with low group scores are hypothesized to return less, and those with high grid scores to tie the amount returned more closely to the amount entrusted. These theoretical predictions are confirmed overall for most experimental games, although the strength of empirical support varies across games. We conclude that grid-group cultural theory is a viable predictor of people's economic behavior, and further discuss potential limitations of the current approach and the ways to improve it.

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1 Introduction

Culture is a central concept broadly studied in social anthropology and sociology. There is a large political science and sociology literature on culture and economic development, dating from Max Weber (1904), with more recent work in fields such as modernization theory (e.g. Bellah 1957, Banfield 1958) and social capital theory (Putnam et al. 1994). Culture has been linked to economic growth (Hofstede and Bond 1988) and other economic outcomes such as national savings and income redistribution (Guiso et al. 2006). It has been gaining increasing attention in economics in relation to research on identity (Akerlof and Kranton 2005, Eckel and Grossman 2005), gender (Croson and Gneezy 2009), and social preferences (Andreoni et al. 2003, Charness and Rabin 2002, Falk and Fischbacher 2006).

Most experimental economics research on culture focuses on cross-national or cross-ethnic differences in economic behavior (Roth et al. 1991, Buchan and Croson 1999, Fershtman and Gneezy 2001, Henrich et al. 2001, Chuah et al. 2009, Stoddard and Leibbrandt 2014). These studies reveal clear behavioral differences across ethnic groups, and have greatly enriched the conventional rational choice model by encompassing a richer set of preference assumptions. However, they are based on an inductive approach in which specific preference assumptions are adopted in order to explain specific empirical findings. Thus they await integration via *a priori* general theoretical frameworks that seek to specify a broad range of possible human preference configurations applicable to behavior under a wide range of environmental states. Such a theoretical underpinning is crucial in generalizing findings about behavior under one set of conditions to predict behavior under a wider set of conditions. Without a general framework, empirical results will be difficult to cumulate into general findings about how cultural differences affect behavior.

The main purpose of this paper is to use a prominent general cultural framework in contemporary social anthropology, grid and group, to predict laboratory behavior in the dictator, ultimatum, and trust games, and to test these predictions. Group-ness measures the extent to which individual identity is incorporated into group or collective identity; grid-ness measures the extent to which social and political prescriptions intrinsically influence individual behavior. Thus one objective is to show that the grid-group framework, despite its origins in comparative ethnography, is adaptable to an experimental setting and indeed provides a parsimonious framework for generating testable behavioral predictions across a variety of experimental games.

Another is to test the predictions of the grid-group framework on a number of simple games widely employed by experimental economists.

We first briefly discuss some prominent cultural frameworks that have been applied to economic experiments, and then introduce Mary Douglas' grid-group model from social and cultural anthropology. We argue that the model provides an alternative general but parsimonious cultural framework, one that is widely used across multiple social science fields and has already been applied successfully to a diverse set of social phenomena using a diverse range of methodologies. We describe a process by which the grid and group dimensions can be operationalized to a laboratory setting, and how hypotheses for a variety of standard games are generated from the theoretical logic of model. Next, we report the result of experiments involving dictator, ultimatum, and trust games, showing, for most games, confirmation for the predictions made by the theory. Finally, we briefly discuss the limitations of the current approach, and how it could be improved in future work.

2 General Cultural Frameworks and Economics

While general frameworks for representation of cultural differences have not yet been developed independently within economics, a number of cultural frameworks¹ have been borrowed and adapted from other social science disciplines in some studies of economic behavior. Although culture is a macro property, many scholars have adapted cross-cultural psychology frameworks that measure the manifestation of culture at the individual level using attitudinal surveys, hence conceptualizing it as the distribution of such attitudes across a group, organization, or society.²

¹ While personality trait inventories, and the "Big Five" model in particular (Tupes & Christal, 1961; Norman, 1963; Digman, 1990; McCrae & John, 1992) have also been applied to economic experiments (Dohmen et al., 2008, Volk et al., 2012), we will not cover them here because they are not cultural models and do not have the same kind of implications for behaviour at both individual and collective level. The relationship between culture and personality is one that has led to much argument within multiple social science disciplines, in part because of wide differences in which these terms are defined within difference literatures. Such controversies date back to debates over the Culture and Personality approach that was prevalent in anthropological theory up until the 1950s, and still retained in the tension between the cross-cultural psychology approach, which views cultures as aggregates of personality trait patterns, and the cultural psychology approach, which questions whether differences in cultures can be adequately characterized along personality dimensions. For a recent overview of this long-running debate, see Kwan and Herrman (2015).

² For the purposes of this paper, culture will be defined as the distribution of preferences (specifically utility functions) and beliefs across the population of an informal group, formal organization, community, society or other social unit. For a more detailed discussion of this issue, see Chai (2001, chapter 2).

Perhaps the most widely utilized cultural model for empirical study of economic behavior can be found in cross-cultural management studies, particularly in the work of Geert Hofstede. The work originally identified four major cultural value dimensions for business organizations: power distance, individualism vs. collectivism, masculinity vs. femininity, and uncertainty avoidance (1980). Later versions of Hofstede's work added the additional dimensions of long-term orientation a.k.a. Confucian dynamism (1991) and indulgence vs. restraint (Hofstede et al. 2010). These cultural dimensions were generally measured at the individual level, then aggregated across organizations, then eventually across entire cultures. For instance, uncertainty avoidance is measured via questions pertaining to tension at work, competition between employees, and the qualities of good managers; long-term orientation by the importance placed on thrift and respect for tradition; and individualism by the importance of family life, physical working conditions, and adventure (Hofstede 2001). In recent years, number of researchers have sought to build upon and improve Hofstede's framework by positing alternative and more extensive sets of conceptual dimensions, the most notable the work of Shalom Schwartz (Schwartz 1992, 1994, Schwartz et al. 2012)³, and the GLOBE project (House et al., 2004; Chhokar et al. 2007).

Another type of cultural model is due to Inglehart (1997) who suggests the distinction across societal cultures along two main dimensions of value orientations: "traditional versus secular-rational orientations towards authority," and "survival versus self-expression values." These dimensions are measured using the data from the World Values Survey from more than 60 countries, allowing to study cross-cultural differences among the countries, and are an extension of his earlier work on the rise of "post-materialistic" values in Western European politics among cohorts who came of age after World War II (Inglehart 1977, 1990). Post-materialism was designed to explain the lower priority younger voters placed on growth and their relative willingness to extend participation outside the boundaries of established party politics. In later work, Inglehart and Baker (2000) cluster countries based on their mean scores along the two dimensions, partitioning the globe into six regions, and examine the relationship between the two dimensions and economic development.

Both Inglehart's value orientations and Hofstede's cultural dimensions measures have been applied by a number of experimental economics studies to explain differences in behavior across geographic regions or countries. Oosterbeek et. al. (2004) perform a meta-analysis of

³ Experimental applications of Schwartz's Value Survey to standard games can be found in Lönnqvist et al. (2011).

several ultimatum game studies. The authors use the mean score of the country in which each study was located on Hofstede's individualism and power distance dimensions, as well as mean country score on selected items from the World Values Survey, as explanatory variables. They find no relationship between behavior and Hofstede's individualism and power distance dimensions of culture, but report that Inglehart's traditional vs. secular-rational orientation towards authority has a significant effect on proposers' offers. Herrmann et al. (2008) and Gächter et al. (2010) apply Hofstede's cultural dimensions and Inglehart's value orientations, as measured across countries or regions, to the analysis of behavior in voluntary contribution public good games with and without punishment. They report that the effects of cultural variations are substantial, especially in the presence of punishment opportunities.⁴

Studies employing Hofstede's cultural dimensions or Inglehart et al.'s value orientations focus primarily on empirical analysis of the statistical relationship between these variables and behavior in experiments. Much less attention is paid to determining a set of general assumptions for each theory about the relationship between cultural and behavior that can be used to make predictions about expected behavior across a wide range of experiments. Indeed, most of these empirical studies do not derive hypotheses from the theories that they are testing, but instead look post facto for statistical significance between cultural variables and observed behavior.⁵ This makes it very difficult to draw conclusions about the underlying causes of any observed statistical relationships, and thus to generalize findings from one experiment to a wider range of interactions. Such tendency is understandable given that it has been initially important to demonstrate to experimental researchers that culture "matters" in an experimental setting. Given that these authors have accomplished a great deal in successfully establishing the relevance of cultural variables to behavior in experiments, the next step is to clarify the relationship between

⁴ An application of WVS data to explore a specific post-Confucian value orientation, the Spirit of Overseas Chinese Capitalism, can be found in Chuah et al. (2016).

⁵ Of these authors, perhaps Oosterbeek et al. (2004) devote the most attention to stating and testing predictions about the expected effect the cultural variables they measure; yet the hypotheses that they generate for traditional/rational-secular, survival/self-expression, individualistic, and power distance values are not clearly fleshed out in terms of the underlying theories. For instance, Hofstede's power distance, a measure of acceptance of hierarchical managerial authority, is hypothesized to have a negative effect on rejection rates in the ultimatum game (Oosterbeek et al., 2004, 182-183). This would seem to follow if the responder believes that the proposer has higher status than himself/herself, but for the games being analysed, there is no such information available to subjects. Indeed, the authors find no support for this hypothesis. Likewise, Inglehart's traditional vs. secular-rational dimension is posited to predict lower offers because it is related to "deference to authority." Yet adherence to traditional (generally European) religious values could also imply not selfishness but generosity (Inglehart 1997, 78-86) and therefore may not necessarily imply low offers.

cultural attitudes and behaviors, and to use experiments to test and refine general theories of culture prominent across the social sciences.

Of course, beyond these two, there is huge range of relatively general cultural frameworks in the social sciences that have not yet been applied to economic experiments, much more than can be reviewed here (Schooler 1996; Chai 1997; 2001, chap. 2). We have presented this brief review in order to examine existing comparable theories that have been adapted for experiments, but we do not attempt to argue over the precise extent to which the accuracy of the grid-group theory presented below is better/worse or different from these cultural frameworks for specific experimental treatments, much less to do so for theories that have yet to be adapted. Instead, we show how the grid-group framework provides a novel approach to experimental studies of culture by allowing to generate culturally-informed, well-defined hypotheses built upon a large body of work in anthropology, political science, and other social science fields. These hypotheses are then tested in economic experiments.

3 The Grid-Group Model

The framework we will use in this work is based on Mary Douglas's grid-group cultural theory, or simply Grid-Group (Douglas, 1970, 1978, 1982, 1999, 2008; Spickard, 1989; Neureiter, 2010), the most prominent and widely-applied general theory of cultural differences and action authored by perhaps the most influential social anthropologist of the latter 20th Century.⁶ The grid-group theory proposes that an individual's behaviors, perceptions, attitudes, beliefs, and values are shaped and regulated by cultural domains that can be labeled as group commitment and grid control (see also Chai et al. 2009). In the theory's most basic definitions, group commitment is the extent to which there is "social incorporation" of individuals, i.e. the extent to which individuals are committed to social unit, subsuming their own interests into a larger collectivity. Grid control is the extent to which individual decision-making is controlled by adherence to social norms, "rules which relate one person to another on an ego-centered basis" (Douglas, 1970, p. viii, 1982, p. 191). Further, this adherence goes beyond the instrumental benefits of conformity to such norms would provide. Group answers the question

⁶ See for instance, Fardon (2007).

“who am I?” and grid is the answer to “how should I behave?” (Schwarz & Thompson, 1990, p. 6).⁷

Grid-group theory itself has been built upon and elaborates cultural typologies dating back to the early 19th century contrasting societies in various ways as traditionalist/collectivist or modernist/individualist (Chai 2001, chap. 6), and the underlying concepts are thus closely related to each other.⁸ Perhaps the most direct predecessor in earlier work is Durkheim’s concepts of regulation and integration introduced in his study of suicide (1997 [1897]), for which grid and group can be seen as generalizations. Recent work by Gelfand (2011, 2012) has focused on “tight” and “loose” societies, a concept closely related to grid.

We present the grid-group cultural theory as an alternative to other general cultural frameworks for application to economic experiments. However, we are not concerned about comparing ex post facto the statistical significance of Grid-Group compared to the dimensions contained in other frameworks as explanatory variables. Nor are we arguing that grid-ness and group-ness are unique theoretical concepts, recognizing that they overlap considerably with those in other frameworks. Instead, the focus will be on the way in which the theoretical and empirical literature surrounding the grid-group model provides clear guidance for generating testable hypotheses about the relationship between culture and behaviors across wide range of social interactions.

While grid-group theory is relevant to prediction of both attitudes and behavior, its emphasis is on the causal relationship from the former to the latter. The theory views grid and group as “attitudes and values that justify the organization” of a society (Douglas, 1999, 411)⁹. More explicitly, the theory “selects out of the total cultural field those beliefs and values which

⁷ While grid and group can and have been decomposed further into subcomponents, these are seen as polythetic, in other words alternative manifestations of these two deeper tendencies (Gross & Rayner 1985, pp. 58–59; Mamadouh 1999, p. 397).

⁸ As we will describe below, grid-group theory’s own conceptualization of collectivism is that of high group-ness and high grid-ness, while that of individualism is low group-ness and low grid-ness. It thus decomposes the distinction into two dimensions. This view of the relationship between individualism/collectivism and grid-group fits closely with Hofstede’s definition of the contrast. For instance, “the interests of the individual prevail over the interests of the group” (Hofstede, 2001, p. 226) in an individualistic society while in a collectivist society “Personal opinions do not exist – they are predetermined by the group” (p. 229). While both are used to describe a single dimension, within the grid-group framework, the former describes the group dimension, while the latter describes the grid dimension.

⁹ The distinction between values and attitudes, while not explored in detail in Douglas’ work, are often discussed not only by psychologists but also by predictive choice theorists. In choice-theoretic preference terms, the former can be seen as referring to “immanent” or “universal” preferences that are independent of specific environments, while the latter refer to “instrumental” or “particularistic” preferences that arise from an interaction between values and a particular environment, along with the objects and individuals contained with it. For a more extended discussion of this distinction, see Chai (2001, p. 8).

are derivable as a justification for action” (Douglas, 1982, p. 190). Douglas thus roots culture in the general cognitive/motivational characteristic of individuals, and a society’s culture as the distribution of such characteristics among the individuals contained within it. Here we will focus on culture manifested at the individual level, i.e., individual attitudes such as beliefs and values, as analyzed through the grid-group framework. It can be shown, however, that society-level, such as country-level cultures, vary significantly based on different distributions of individual grid and group characteristics within these societies (Chai et al. 2009), the issue that we will return to in more detail in Section 4 below.

At the individual level, the social incorporation of identities represented by group-ness will cause individuals to merge their own needs with those of other members of the social unit. When collective needs are measurable by a social welfare function, this in turn would imply the incorporation of this social welfare function into an individual’s utility function. Different levels of group-ness can be represented by differences in the weighting of social welfare vis-à-vis personal welfare. As conventional in economics, we will adopt a simplifying assumption that welfare is measured in terms of material wealth. Where a social welfare function is the sum of the individual welfares of members of a society, this will take the form of positive welfare-oriented altruism towards such members.¹⁰

The individual-level version of grid-ness will cause individuals to value compliance with social norms, independent of their consequences. This can be incorporated into an individual’s utility function by positing of a collective expressive utility (Fiorina, 1976) that varies according to the degree an individual values social norm compliance both himself/herself and by others. Different levels of grid-ness thus can be represented by differences in the relative weightings of expressive vs. material utility.¹¹

The original theory does not specify the exact prescriptions for behavior contained in the social norms to which individuals will conform. However, for any rational individual, one default universal social norm be assumed, which is that all individuals should behave in a symmetrical fashion. In other words, each other individual is supposed to act the way the actor

¹⁰ Such purely utilitarian social welfare function would incorporate distributional concerns regarding wealth as long as individuals have strictly concave utility functions for wealth. In this case, the social welfare optimum would imply maximizing the total wealth and distributing it so as to equalize the marginal utility of wealth across individuals. Aversion to inequality property is also characteristic to other social welfare functions that are concave in individual utilities; examples include generalized utilitarian and Rawlsian types. See, e.g., Mas-Colell et al. (1995), Chapter 22.

¹¹For more extensive discussion of individual-level representation issues, see Chai & Wildavsky (1994); Chai et al. (2011b).

would under identical circumstances. This essentially translates into reciprocity, a norm in which there is symmetry between an actor's own mandated behavior and the behavior that he/she mandates from others, and, where there are multiple norms that meet such a criterion, only those that are on the Pareto frontier will be considered.¹² In the absence of additional information about other actors, as will be the case with our experimental participants, we can expect that this will be the norm that will determine grid-ness' effect on behavior. Moreover, by definition, social norms are collective imperatives, and thus imply that high-grid individuals should treat norm compliers more favorably than violators.

Because grid and group are general cognitive/motivational characteristics connected to individuals, they are universalistic rather than particularistic. In other words, while a social unit's culture will be defined by the distribution of grid-ness and group-ness among its members, this does not mean that the behavioral consequences of grid-ness and group-ness will only apply for interactions between members and not for those of members with individuals outside the unit. This is an important implication, as individuals will simultaneously belong to multiple overlapping social units, and yet they will have a single grid-ness and group-ness rather than different ones that apply to each unit to which they belong.

The relevance of social preferences such as altruism, inequality aversion, reciprocity, as well as the issue of norm enforcement, have been investigated by experimental economists (Andreoni 1995; Fehr and Schmidt 1999; Charness and Rabin 2002; Goette et al. 2006). This research has generated a rich set of possibilities for expanding the narrow range of the conventional rational choice model. However, these social preference assumptions have been proposed based on prior empirical observations to account for otherwise anomalous empirical results within a specific set of experimental contexts. Hence there is no a priori theoretical basis for generating more hypotheses about how these (and potentially other) social preferences arise and relate to each other.

In comparison, grid-group theory provides assumptions that will generate testable hypothesis for culturally-driven behavior across a wide range of interactions based on grid and group characteristics for each individual. Its implication for debates on social preferences suggest that the relative roles that altruism, inequality aversion, and reciprocity play in behavior

¹² Reciprocity at the Pareto frontier is one common interpretation of the "golden rule:" "do unto others as you would have them do unto you" (Matthew 7:12). There is evidence that versions of such a norm exist across major cultural traditions, including all major religious traditions. For case by case examination of this norm's manifestation across cultures, see for instance, McKenna and VanLoon (2003), Neusner and Chilton (2009), Gensler (2013).

are a function of an individual's group-ness and grid-ness. A high group-ness individual will have a high level of altruism, and to the extent that her utility function over material wealth is concave, will also be concerned with equality. A high grid-ness individual will engage in reciprocal behavior and demand the same from others. A low group-ness, low grid-ness individual will behave like stereotypical *homo economicus*.

Another reason for using Grid-Group as a general cultural model in experimental economics study is its prominence and ubiquity in other social sciences. Much work has been done to adapt and apply the assumptions and logic of grid-group theory to predict behavior using a variety of methodologies across a wide range of empirical settings, thus providing precedence for how it should be adapted and applied within in an experimental economics setting. Theoretical explorations include attitudes towards risk (Dake, 1991, 1992; Douglas & Wildavsky, 1983; Douglas, 1992; Oltedal et al., 2004; Rippl, 2002; Tansey & Rayner, 2010; Wildavsky & Dake, 1990; Tansey & O'Riordan, 1999), altruism vs. self-interest (Wildavsky, 1987, 1991, 1993, 1994), and materialism (Grendstad & Selle, 1997, 1999). Substantive applications include environmental and technology policy (Rayner & Cantor, 1987; Rayner, 1991; Verweij et al., 2006), enterprise structure (Heap & Ross, 1992; Thompson, 1992), education systems (Low, 2008), international relations (Verweij, 1995, 1999), voting patterns (Grendstad & Sundback, 2003; Grendstad, 2003; Selle, 1991; Ellis 1993), political parties (Lockhart, 1999, 2001a, 2001b, 2003), and collective violence (Chai & Wildavsky, 1994).¹³ Chai et al. (2011b) suggest an application of grid-group theory to explain the role of culture in experimental games behavior, and provide preliminary evidence on its predictive power for the voluntary contributions public good game. However, aside from Chai et al. (2011b), none of the studies introduce the grid-group theory and its relevance to the experimental economics audience, which is what we do in this paper.

¹³ An indication of the continuing active research community applying grid-group theory is the Mary Douglas Lecture and Seminar, an annual three-day symposium held at University College London Department of Anthropology, co-sponsored by the Royal Anthropological Institute and the School of Anthropology at Oxford University.

4 Operationalizing Grid and Group

4.1. Implications of Grid and Group for Behavior in Anonymous Interaction

Translating our specifications of grid-group cultural theory to predictions about behavior in experimental conditions requires attention to the type of cultural cues that are present in such an environment. In experimental games we consider, lack of information about the identities of other subjects would give the subjects no *a priori* reason to treat one subject differently from another. For group-ness, anonymity suggests not being more or less altruistic towards specific individuals. For grid-ness, anonymity makes it impossible for subjects to identify the status of their partners vis-à-vis themselves, suggesting that the only applicable norm is a universalistic one based on reciprocity.¹⁴

In an anonymous environment, if an actor is high group-ness and high grid-ness, the default norm to be enforced is maximization of social welfare of the group. Hence the actor will weigh her own maximization of this against the imperative to reward/punish those who help/harm them and other members of a group. If an actor is low-group but high-grid, then the default norm to be enforced is collective payoff maximization, and the desire by an actor to maximize her personal payoff will be weighed against the imperative to reward/punish others depending on the degree they comply with the social norm. If an actor is low group-ness and low grid-ness, he/she will be maximizing only personal payoffs and will not participate in punishing act of restoring norms. If an actor is high group-ness and low grid-ness, then he/she will be maximizing the aggregate welfare of all participants but not punishing others for violations.

4.2. Measuring Grid and Group via a Polythetic Scale

A number of different attempts have been made to measure the concepts of grid and group for different cultures using various methodologies. At the collective level, these include content analysis of speech (Gross & Rayner, 1985), ethnography-based subject expert coding (Caulkins & Peters, 2002; Caulkins, 1999), and most commonly, surveys, beginning with Dake's four-factor risk-focused survey (Dake, 1991, 1992), followed with survey instruments relating to

¹⁴ For the purposes of this analysis, we assume that roles in games do not bring about differences in perceived status among subjects, and that any universal social norms will thus apply equally to all subjects. It is plausible that certain roles (e.g. proposer, trustee) may convey higher perceived status than others (e.g. sender, trustor), but absent additional context, it is difficult to derive predictions about the effect of this on behavior.

political ideology (Coughlin and Lockhart, 1998; Grendstad, 2000, 2003), and environmental issues (Ellis and Thompson, 1997).

We employ the methodology of Chai et al. (2009) to measure the concepts of Grid and Group using items drawn from the World Values Survey (hereafter, WVS). The main advantages of using the WVS as the basis for grid-group measurement instrument is that it provides a comprehensive spectrum of over 250 pre-existing survey items on value orientations, from which we can draw a subset relevant to grid and group that can be easily administered as an experimental pre-test. Another is that it has been administered in multiple waves over 25 years, with recent waves including over 60 countries, thus providing a sizable amount of existing data which was used to test the validity of constructed scales prior to administering them.¹⁵ Specifically, Chai et al. (2009) report that a chosen set of survey items for grid and group were tested to ensure that they coherently reflected a concept of culture (constellations of collectively held attitudes) tied to particular societies rather than individual attitudes varying independently of societal context. A test based on the standard practice of using countries as proxies for societies showed much greater inter-country variance than within country variance. Furthermore, a mapping from countries to cultural regions based on predominant religion showed a close relationship between region and grid and group scores. In what follows, we will not only measure grid and group characteristics for each individual subject using the instrument developed in Chai et al (2009), but will further take advantage of the multinational subject pool to explore the relationship between grid-group measures of culture and national background of our experimental participants.

Following Chai et al (2009), eleven questions each from the WVS were used to reflect people's grid and group characteristics, correspondingly. The list of the survey questions and the formula for constructing grid and group indices are given in Appendix A. Table 1 categorizes the questions within the grid-group dimension. The grid questions were chosen to measure the degree to which people choices are constrained by imposed rules and role descriptions. The group questions were to measure the value people place on collective relationships and the commitment they have to the larger social unit.¹⁶

¹⁵ Previous work on survey instruments designed to measure Grid and Group over a full range of political issues also drew their survey questions from existing large-scale public opinion surveys, the U.S.-centered General Social Survey (Coughlin and Lockhart, 1998) and the data collected in Norway by the International Social Survey Project and Norwegian Social Science Data Services (Grendstad, 2000).

¹⁶ The criteria for the choice of items to include in the instrument, as explained in Chai et al (2009), were as follows. Since the objective was to investigate the grid-group cultural dimensions for both wave 3 and wave 4 of WVS, only

Table 1 . Grid-Group Categories in the Survey

	Category	High	Low
Grid1	Religion	Important	Not important
Grid2	Job rights men/women	Men more rights	Not agree
Grid3	Job rights old/young	Young more rights	Not agree
Grid4	Follow instructions	Yes	Not necessary
Grid5	Having children	Yes	Not necessary
Grid6	Respect authority	Yes	No
Grid7	God	God is important	Not important
Grid8	Homosexuality	Never justifiable	Justifiable
Grid9	Prostitution	Never justifiable	Justifiable
Grid10	Abortion	Never justifiable	Justifiable
Grid11	Divorce	Never justifiable	Justifiable
Group1	Family	Important	Not important
Group2	Friends	Important	Not important
Group3	Parents	Must love, respect	Do not have to
Group4	Trusting people	Most can be trusted	Have to be careful
Group5	Unequal pay	Not fair	Fair
Group6	Managing business	Employee do more	Owners do more
Group7	Importance of money	Less emphasis	More emphasis
Group8	Importance of work	Less emphasis	More emphasis
Group9	Importance of tech	Less emphasis	More emphasis
Group10	Business ownership	Government	Private
Group11	More responsibility	Government	Personal

Based on the answers to survey questions, the grid and group indices were generated, each taking values on zero to one scale. If a grid indicator for particular person is above 0.5, then the subject is called a high-grid individual. If a group indicator is above 0.5, then the person is called a high-group individual. We further classify people based on the juxtaposition of the two cultural attributes into four cultural types: individualists with low scores in both dimensions, distributionists with high group scores and low grid scores, ritualists with high grid and low group scores, and collectivists with high scores in both dimensions. We will use this classification in the analysis below. We conjecture that people that have similar cultural background (grid-group characteristics) will make similar economic choices.

the questions that were common to both of these waves, and only those pertinent to either grid or group dimension, were included. Items related only to a specific geographic location and political system were not included. Further, while items about happiness and life satisfaction could conceivably be correlated with certain of the grid or group dimensions, such items could presumably tap emotional states, and for this reason were also not included.

Several previous economic studies that incorporate a survey instrument link trusting attitudes with trusting and contributing behavior in experiments. Glaeser et al. (2000) and Fehr et al. (2002) find that survey measures better reflect trustworthy behavior than trusting behavior, and that direct questions about past behavior are good predictors of trusting action in the lab. Gächter et al. (2004) find that out of several measures of trust attitudes, the General Social Survey (*GSS*) *trust* question poorly reflects trust attitudes in relation with cooperative behavior. However, the *trust strangers* and the *GSS fair* and *GSS help* questions were accurate in predicting trust and contributing behavior. Anderson et al. (2004) find significant correlation between the *trust* question and contributions in the public good experiment. Chuah et al. (2009) relate WVS question responses across UK and Malaysian subjects in the ultimatum game and suggest that the higher offers of Malaysian subjects may reflect their attitudes towards individual freedom and civic-mindedness. Higher offers in both subject groups were due to whether a person has materialist and work-leisure values and be non-religious. The studies above consider the relationship between one particular attitude (e.g. trust or civic-mindedness) and experimental behavior. Dohmen et al. (2009) relate individual measures of reciprocal inclinations in a large representative survey with actual labor market behavior and other life outcomes. They find that positive reciprocity is associated with receiving high wages and working harder while negative reciprocal inclinations tend to reduce effort and increase the likelihood of being unemployed. None of the studies attempt to connect general cultural typologies measured through the survey with economic behavior in experiments.

Other experimental studies use choice-based instruments to measure social value orientations. Offerman et al. (1996), Sonnemans et al. (1998) and van Dijk et al. (2002) use the ring-test developed by Liebrand (1984) to classify subjects as individualistic (only concerned about their own payoff), cooperative (concerned about the sum of own and other's payoff), altruistic (only concerned about the other's payoff), competitive (concerned about the difference between own and other's payoff) or aggressive (only concerned in minimizing the earnings of the other). However, the ring test provides only altruism scores, while our instrument has an advantage of predicting norm-based behavior in addition to social welfare orientation. In the context of the voluntary contribution mechanism for the provision of public goods, Fischbacher et al. (2001) and Gächter et al. (2003) classify people into conditional cooperator and free-rider. Using a linear conditional-contribution profile in a public good environment, Kurzban and Houser (2005) classify subjects into free riders, cooperators and reciprocal types. These studies use the allocation choices in the ring test or actual contributions in the public good game. In

contrast, our instrument measures cultural differences using attitudinal questions and then predicts economic behavior. Burlando and Guala (2005) exploit combination of four previously used methods including questionnaire to identify subjects as free riders, cooperators and reciprocators in the public goods experiments. These approaches, consistent with the grid-group approach, focus on the importance of altruism and attitudes towards reciprocity. The advantage of the grid-group approach is that it embeds this focus within a unified theoretical framework. It also connects experimental investigations with a broader empirical literature in anthropology, political science, sociology, and business based on field observation and comparative data analysis. Because it is a cultural approach, this broader literature examines ways in which broader collectivities are associated with and maintain consistent systems of attitudes among their members.

In this paper, we test the relationship between culture and individual behavior by applying the grid-group survey instrument to experimental participants. We first use the WVS-based survey to measure experimental participants' grid-group characteristics. We then have our subjects participate in a number of experimental economic games to analyze the implications of grid and group for behavior in simple games in a controlled laboratory environment.

5 Experimental design and hypotheses

5.1 Overall Design

The experiment was designed to test the effect of grid/group (culture) on economic behavior. Subjects participated in laboratory experimental sessions that had two parts: grid-group survey and games. Similar to Liebrand (1984) and Van Dijk et al. (2002), the survey preceded games. When subjects arrived to computer terminals at the experimental laboratory, they were asked to answer 22 selected items from WVS that took 15-20 minutes to accomplish. Immediately after the survey, the subjects participated in five one-shot two-person games: dictator game, standard ultimatum game, convex ultimatum game (Andreoni et al. 2003), send-all-or-nothing trust game and a regular trust game, in the listed order. We choose games that are commonly-studied in experimental literature on social preferences (e.g., Camerer 2003) to allow for comparison with other studies. The details of each game are described in Section 5.2 below.

All games were one-shot, and each subject was matched with a different person in each task (decision). This design feature was employed to eliminate repeated-game motives for other-regarding behavior, and to focus on culture as determinant of behavior. We employed the

strategy method in each game, so that each player made decisions without the knowledge of the other player's actual decision. We provided no feedback on the results after each task, and the subjects were not given any information to identify their matched person in. No feedback feature minimizes order and learning effects. We did not randomize the order of games, on the grounds that order effects are unlikely to be significant given the lack of feedback between games, or differ across subjects with different cultural characteristics.

Sessions varied depending on whether the subjects made decision in one role or in both roles in each game. In the one-role treatment, each subject was placed either in the player 1 role or player 2 role for all games. In the two-role treatment, each subject was first placed in player 1's role, and then in player 2's role. Therefore, in the one-role treatment subjects made five decisions, while in the two-role treatment subjects made nine decisions (as player 2 in the dictator game made no decision); for each decision, a subject was matched with a different person. To decrease the income effect, we used a random payment similar to Charness and Rabin (2002) and Chen and Li (2009). The subjects were informed that at the end of the session, two game decisions made by each subject were randomly chosen for the payment. After all decisions were made (without feedback), the subject computer screen displayed the subject earnings for each part of the session, and the final random payment. Features of experimental design are summarized in Table 2.

[TABLE 2 HERE]

The experimental instructions, and a sample screenshot, are provided in Appendix B.

5.2 Games and hypotheses

We now describe the details of each game that we tested, and list the hypotheses on the relationship between individual culture and the game behavior.

5.2.1 Dictator game

In the dictator game (e.g., Forsythe et al. 1994), a sender is endowed with ten dollars and is given an opportunity to split the money between herself and the counterpart. Because there is no opportunity for response, the amount sent should be based upon the extent to which the sender intrinsically values the receiver's payoffs, i.e. the sender's group-ness.

Hypothesis H1: *Participants with higher group scores will send more money in the dictator game.*

Table 2: Experimental Design

Treatment	Order of games	One-shot or repeated games?	Number of decisions per subject	Strategy method used?	Feedback between decisions?	Number of subjects per session	Number of Sessions	Number of Subjects	
								Total	Per role
One-role	DG, UG, convex UG, send-all-or-none TG, regular TG	One-shot	5 for player 1; 4 for player 2	Yes	None	10--20	9	120	60
Two-role	D, UG, convex UG, send-all-or-none TG, regular TG	One-shot	9	Yes	None	12--20	6	100	100
Total							15	220	160

*DG-dictator game, UG-ultimatum game, TG- trust game

5.2.2 Ultimatum game

In the ultimatum game, a proposer proposes the division of ten dollars between himself/herself and a responder, and the responder decides on whether to accept or reject the offer (Guth et al. 1982). We use two simultaneous versions of the ultimatum game, implemented via the strategy method: a standard and a convex ultimatum game. In the standard ultimatum game, a proposer chooses the split of ten dollars (from \$0 to \$10 to offer to responder), and responder submits the lowest acceptable amount without the knowledge of the offered amount. In the convex version of the game (Andreoni et al. 2003), a proposer chooses the dividing rule, i.e. the percentage of the total amount offered to the responder: Proposer gets 99% and Responder gets 1%, or Proposer gets 90% and Responder gets 10%, or Proposer gets 80% and Responder gets 20%,..., Proposer gets 1% and Responder gets 99%. A responder's task is to specify how many dollars total, between zero and ten dollars (\$0, \$2, \$3,...,\$10), she wants to divide for each possible dividing rule. Including both versions of the ultimatum game allows us to consider rejection rates as a function of levels of offer, which is helpful in examining norm-based behavior. Standard theory predicts the equilibrium offer of the lowest possible amount (zero dollars in the standard game or one percent share of the total in the convex game) by the proposer, and acceptance of any offer (designation of all ten dollars to divide) by responder.

For the proposer, there are two considerations in determining her offer: the extent to which she intrinsically values the payoff of her partner, and the perceived effect of the offer on the responder's willingness to accept, and thus her own payoff. Individuals with high group-ness will have the greatest relative incentive to make generous offers, since this reduces the chances of rejection, which would minimize aggregate payoffs, and because such individuals will be less concerned about the negative effect of generosity on their own share of the total.

For responders who are high grid, the greater violation of the default norm they perceive in the offer, the greater the appropriate punishment that should be imposed on the proposer by rejecting more often (in the standard game) or dividing less (in the convex game). Yet high group responders value the proposer's payoff more, and therefore will punish low offers less by rejecting less often and dividing more. In sum, we would expect more rejections, as well as smaller amounts divided, from those with high grid and low group scores.

Hypothesis H2-A: Proposers with higher group scores will make higher offers than proposers with lower group scores in ultimatum games.

Hypothesis H2-B: Responders with higher group scores will reject less often and divide more in ultimatum games.

Hypothesis H2-C: Responders with higher grid scores will reject more often in the standard ultimatum game and divide less money in the convex ultimatum game.

Regarding the Hypothesis H2-C above, we note that if the subjects in our pool share the same social norm (e.g., a 50-50 split), then we may expect higher rejection rates by high-grid participants away from this norm, but not near the norm. However, prior research (e.g., Roth et al. 1991) indicates that social norms such as perception of fairness may differ across cultures; hence we may expect higher rejection rates by high-grid-ness norm-followers at a wide range of offer levels. We will discuss the implications of our results on norm homo- or heterogeneity when we analyze the experimental results in Section 6 below.

5.2.3 Trust games

Trust plays an important facilitating role in exchange economies that promote growth and development (Knack and Keefer 1997). We use the trust game to study how grid-group cultural attributes affect trusting behavior among individuals. We study two versions of the trust game (Berg et al. 1995) which differ in the action space of player 1. In each version, a trustor (player 1) is given six dollars, while a trustee (player 2) has no endowment. In send-all-or-nothing trust game, player 1 either sends all six dollars to player 2, or keeps it all (player 1 choices are \$0 or \$6). In the regular trust game, player 1 may send any integer dollar amount between zero to six dollars to player 2 (player 1 choices are \$0, \$1, \$2, ... \$6). We allow for various levels of dollars sent to better measure the degree of trust. In both versions of the game, the money sent is doubled, and player 2 is then free to send back to player 1 any portion of the doubled money. Our regular trust game differs from Berg et al. (1995) investment game by the fact that we employ the strategy method, so that the trustee does not know the trustor's action when making a decision and makes contingent decisions on the amount to send back for each possible amount sent. In addition, in our setting the sent money is doubled instead of tripled, as it allows for better separation across cultural types. If the sent money is tripled, the joint payoff maximization motive to trust becomes stronger, and we may see less variation in behavior across distinct cultural types.

The Nash equilibrium of the trust games is to send nothing and return nothing if both players are self-interested payoff maximizers, while the aggregate payoff maximization requires

sending all. Since the aggregate payoff increases with the amount sent, trustors with high group-ness will be more likely to trust, and will trust more, as they will be less concerned by the share of the payoff that they receive vis-à-vis the aggregate payoff than those with low group scores.

When acting as trustees, participants with high group-ness have stronger incentives to return entrusted money, irrespective on the amount sent, since they put more value on their partner's welfare. For those with high grid-ness, the norm-consistent behavior, regardless of group-ness, is for the trustor to contribute everything based on the expectation that the trustee will engage in reciprocating behavior, since this is the only outcome that maximizes the joint payoff. Thus high grid-ness trustees will view any amount entrusted that is less than the maximum as norm violation, and will punish the trustors by reducing the percentage returned of the entrusted amount. For send-all-or-nothing trust game, grid should have no effect on amount returned, since in this version of the game an individual will become a trustee only if entrusted with the full amount; yet for the regular trust game, the grid-ness attribute will dispose a trustee to punish the trustors for low amounts entrusted.

Hypothesis H3-A: *Trustors with higher group scores will trust more often in the send-all-or-nothing trust game and trust more in the regular trust game.*

Hypothesis H3-B: *Trustees with higher group scores will return more in send-all-or-nothing and regular trust games.*

Hypothesis H3-C: *Trustees with higher grid scores will return less if not entrusted the full amount in the regular trust game.*

Note the difference between the hypothesized effect of grid-ness on player 2's behavior in ultimatum and trust games. In ultimatum games, the joint payoff maximization is achieved for any offer sent by player 1 (proposer) as long as it is accepted; thus the grid-group theory allows for heterogeneity of distributional social norms. In contrast, in the trust game, the joint payoff maximizing outcome is only achieved when player 1 (trustor) sends all money to player 2 (trustee); this suggests the social norm of trusting everything, and punishment by high-grid trustees of those trustors who trust less than everything.

Hypotheses by game, role and cultural dimension are summarized in Table 3, column (5).

[TABLE 3 HERE]

Table 3: Games and Hypotheses

Game	Hypothesis Number	Cultural dimension	Role	Hypothesis	Significance level for grid or group	Table and regression number	Additional support from 2X2 typology, Table 5	Hypothesis Supported?^ Yes/Marginally/Partially/No
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Dictator	H1	Group	Sender	Higher group score => Higher donation	p<0.1	Table 6, reg (2)	(D>I)**	Yes, marginally
Standard Ultimatum	H2-A	Group	Proposer	Higher group score => Higher offer	p<0.05	Table 6, reg (4)	(D>I)*	Yes
Standard Ultimatum	H2-B	Group	Responder	Higher group score => Lower min. acceptable amount	p<0.05	Table 6, reg (5)-(6)	'---	Yes
Standard Ultimatum game	H2-C	Grid	Responder	Higher grid scores => Higher min. acceptable	p<0.1	Table 6, reg (5)-(6)	---	Yes, marginally
Convex Ultimatum	H2-A	Group	Proposer	Higher group score => Higher percentage offer	n/s	Table 6, reg (7)-(8)	'(D>I)**	Only partially
Convex Ultimatum	H2-B	Group	Responder	Higher group score => Higher amount divided	n/s	Tables 6, reg (9)-(10), Table	(D>R)*	Only partially and marginally
Convex Ultimatum	H2-C	Grid	Responder	Higher grid scores => Lower amount divided for low % offers	p<0.05 for offers 20% and above	Tables 6, reg (9)-(10), Table 7	(R<D)*, (R<I)**, (C<I)*	Yes
Send-all-or-nothing Trust	H3-A	Group	Trustor	Higher group score => Trust more often	n/s	Table 8, reg (1)-(2)	(D>I)*	Only partially and marginally
Send-all-or-nothing Trust	H3-B	Group	Trustee	Higher group score => Return more	p<0.05	Table 8, reg (3)-(4)	(R<D)**	Yes
Regular Trust	H3-A	Group	Trustor	Higher group score => Trust more	n/s	Table 8, reg (5)-(6)	---	No
Regular Trust	H3-B	Group	Trustee	Higher group score => Return more	p<0.01 or p<0.05 if trusted \$2 or more	Table 9	'---	Yes
Regular Trust	H3-C	Grid	Trustee	Higher grid scores => Return less unless entrusted all	n/s	Table 9	(R<D)**, (C<D)* for high amounts trusted	No

*, **, *** significant at 10, 5, 1 percent level; n/s: not significant

^Hypothesis Supported? "Yes:" p<.05; "Marginally:" p<0.1; "Partially:" supported only based on comparisons of two-dimensional types as given Table 5; "No:" p>0.1.

5.3 Procedures

The subjects were recruited using regular advertisement emails from the student population at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. The participants' demographic characteristics were collected several days prior to experimental sessions through an on-line survey administered through the SurveyMonkey tool.¹⁷ The list of corresponding survey questions are given in Appendix D. Experimental sessions ranged in size from ten to twenty participants. Each subject participated in only one session. Each session consisted of two main parts. In the first part, the subjects answered the grid-group survey questions, which took 15-20 minutes. In the second part, the subjects participated in experimental games. Both the survey and the experimental games were implemented using z-tree software (Fischbacher 2007).

Before each game a paper version of instructions for that game was distributed and instructions were read aloud to participants. In order to advance participants' understanding of the game, two computerized exercises, called pre-game testers, were completed by each subject. A complete set of pre-game testes is given in Appendix C, following the instructions. Answers to the pre-game testers were checked and discussed with each participant in private. Once all subjects completed the pre-game testers, they made decisions in experimental games. Each session lasted about one hour. The subjects were paid, on average, 19 dollars U.S., with the minimum of 10, the maximum of 42, and the standard deviation of 4.96 dollars.

6 Results

The total of 220 subjects participated in the experiment. Half of participants were female and the other half were male. 55 percent of population were undergraduates, 27 percent were master students and 18 percent were PhD students and staff. Average age of a participant was 27. Among 72 percent of participants who specified their religious affiliation, 57 percent had no religion. 91 percent of participants (200 out of 220) disclosed their citizenship; among those only 54 percent were U.S citizens, while the other 46 percent were nationals of 24 other countries spanning all geographic regions of the world. Table 4 presents the distribution of experimental participants by citizenship. The diversity of participants' citizenship allows us to explore the

¹⁷ We believe that participation in the demographic survey did not have an effect on the subject behaviour in our laboratory sessions, as the online survey and the lab session were separated by a significant time interval, and were administered in two very different environments.

effect of culture as measured not only by grid-group characteristics, but also by citizenship, therefore allowing us to investigate the connection, if any, between the individual culture and the country of citizenship. For the purpose of such analysis, and given a small number of participants per country for many countries, we group participants into eight citizenship clusters: U.S. citizens (119 participants); Other Western (9 participants); Latin (3 participants); Muslim (13 participants); Hindu (8 participants); Confucian (37 participants); Buddhist (9 participants); and Other or Unknown nationality (22 participants total: 20 who declined to disclose their citizenship, one Mongolian and one Kenyan). The clusters are based on the countries' traditional predominant religion, a common approach.¹⁸ In addition, to investigate if there are significant differences between participants from Western and Eastern countries, we also pool all participants into Western (U.S. citizens, Other Western and Latin citizens: 131 participants total) and Eastern and Other (all other citizenship clusters: 89 participants total) groups.^{19,20}

[TABLE 4 HERE]

We conducted the total of 15 sessions; nine sessions with the total 120 subjects were conducted using the one-role setting, and six sessions with the total of 100 subjects were conducted with the two-role setting; see Table 2. As we find no significant role reversal effects in most games,²¹ below we report the results for the pooled data, while controlling for the treatment in the regression analysis.

The results section is organized as follows. We first report on the distribution of cultural types in Section 6.1. Section 6.2 presents the main results on the effect of grid-group characteristics on game behavior. In Section 6.3, we focus on the effects of citizenship and other demographics. Section 6.4 presents the robustness check of the grid-group instrument employed by considering an alternate grid-group measure.

¹⁸ While there is nothing approaching a consensus on how to divide the world into major cultural clusters, the most well-known example, associated with Huntington's *Clash of Civilizations* (1993, 1997), proposes a division into Sinic/Confucian, Japanese, Hindu, Islamic, Orthodox, Western, Latin American, and possibly African civilizations (Huntington 1993, p. 25; 1997, pp. 53-54), one that is centered around major religions as a central defining characteristic (Huntington 1997, p. 56). While similarly based on major religion, our division differs slightly, primarily due to practical factors related to sample size per cluster. The regression results reported below are robust to changes in citizenship clusters (e.g., to putting China into a separate cluster because of the communist history.)

¹⁹ We are grateful to an anonymous Referee for the suggestion to add citizenship analysis to this study, and to another anonymous Referee for the suggestion to consider differences between East and West.

²⁰ We added "Other/Unknown" citizenship cluster to the "Eastern" group based on similarity of grid and group characteristics; see Table 4. All results stay qualitatively the same if 20 participants who did not disclose their citizenship are excluded from the analysis.

²¹ Chai et al. (2011a) provide a comparison of the one-role and two-role treatment results.

Table 4: Experimental participants by citizenship and citizenship clusters

Region	Citizenship cluster	Country of citizenship	Participans		Grid score		Group score	
			r	%	Mean	Stddv	Mean	Stddv
WESTERN			131	59.55	0.384	(0.173)	0.498	(0.126)
	USA	USA	119	54.09	0.397	(0.171)	0.490	(0.124)
	OTHER WESTERN		9	4.09	0.265	(0.160)	0.575	(0.141)
		Canada	3	1.36	0.202	(0.087)	0.572	(0.044)
		AUS	2	0.91	0.182	(0.193)	0.730	(0.125)
		Italy	1	0.45	0.338		0.712	
		Russia	1	0.45	0.601		0.510	
		Sweden	1	0.45	0.293		0.384	
		UK	1	0.45	0.182		0.394	
	LATIN	Brazil	3	1.36	0.231	(0.025)	0.576	(0.053)
EASTERN AND OTHER			89	40.45	0.441	(0.165)	0.502	(0.118)
	MUSLIM		13	5.91	0.392	(0.183)	0.534	(0.122)
		Iran	4	1.82	0.484	(0.139)	0.477	(0.083)
		Malaysia	4	1.82	0.284	(0.079)	0.472	(0.141)
		Bangladesh	3	1.36	0.298	(0.126)	0.598	(0.057)
		Indonesia	1	0.45	0.818		0.606	
		Pakistan	1	0.45	0.318		0.747	
	HINDU		8	3.64	0.500	(0.117)	0.496	(0.104)
		Nepal	5	2.27	0.467	(0.062)	0.462	(0.091)
		India	3	1.36	0.556	(0.182)	0.552	(0.117)
	CONFUCIAN		37	16.82	0.417	(0.179)	0.502	(0.127)
		China	19	8.64	0.420	(0.174)	0.518	(0.115)
		Japan	7	3.18	0.293	(0.155)	0.419	(0.169)
		South Korea	6	2.73	0.449	(0.170)	0.494	(0.068)
		Taiwan	5	2.27	0.542	(0.178)	0.562	(0.136)
	BUDDHIST		9	4.09	0.483	(0.141)	0.506	(0.095)
		Vietnam	5	2.27	0.438	(0.090)	0.505	(0.115)
		Thailand	2	0.91	0.434	(0.000)	0.497	(0.132)
		Cambodia	1	0.45	0.470		0.545	
		Sri Lanka	1	0.45	0.818		0.490	
	OTHER / UNKNOWN, all		22	10.00	0.470	(0.152)	0.486	(0.118)
		Mongolia	1	0.45	0.429		0.646	
		Kenya	1	0.45	0.732		0.606	
		undisclosed	20	9.09	0.459	(0.147)	0.471	(0.114)
p-value, WEST==EAST					0.020		0.536	
p-value, equality of medians among citizenship clusters					0.006		0.163	
ALL			220	100.00	0.407	(0.172)	0.500	(0.122)
Total number of countries: 25								

*p-value for Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney test, two-tailed, with "Other/Unknown" included in "Eastern" group. The results are robust to exclusion of "Citizenship Undisclosed" observations.

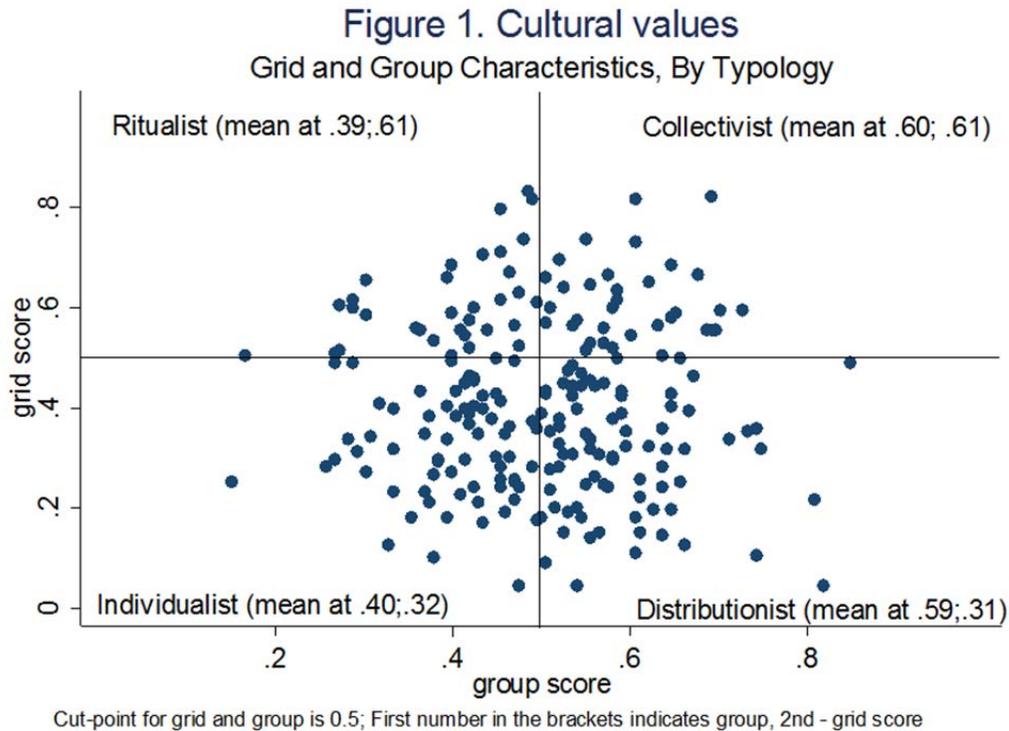
6.1 Distribution of cultural types

In the sample of 220 subjects, the average group score was .5 with the minimum score at .15, maximum at .85 and standard deviation of .12. The average grid score was .41, with the minimum at .045, maximum at .83 and standard deviation of .17. Given that grid and group scores range between zero and one, we define a grid or group score to be high if the score is above (.5) and low if the score is at or below (.5). The individual grid-group scores are displayed graphically in Figure 1.

As we conceptualize national cultures as the distribution of values of its citizens, it is instructive to see if grid and group characteristics vary by citizenship, and also between Western and Eastern groups. The average characteristics by East/West group, country of citizenship and citizenship cluster are displayed in Table 4. We find that Western participants differ significantly from Eastern and Other in their Grid scores: 0.384 for Western as compared to 0.441 for Eastern and Other ($p=0.020$, Wilcoxon Mann-Whitney, hereafter WMW, test). Yet, the two groups do not differ in the Group scores: 0.498 for West as compared to 0.502 for East ($p=0.536$); see Table 4. To further consider if participants are similar in their grid and group characteristics within East and West groups each, we performed k -sample tests on the equality of medians on grid and group scores for both West and East groups. We find no significant differences among citizenship clusters within Eastern group. However, within Western group, there are significant differences among citizenship clusters in both grid ($p=0.010$) and group ($p=0.035$) scores. From Table 4, the apparent reason is that U.S. citizens have significantly higher grid scores and significantly lower group scores, as compared to Other Western and Latin citizens. This suggests that partitioning our subject pool into just Western and Eastern groups may be too coarse for the purpose of our analysis. In what follows, we therefore use eight citizenship clusters, not the East/West division, when considering the effects of citizenship in the analysis.

Eight citizenship clusters differ significantly among each other in their grid scores ($p=0.006$, equality of medians test) but insignificantly so in their group scores ($p=0.163$); see Table 4. This suggests that norm-enforcement varies more across cultures than social welfare orientations. Notably, this is consistent with the findings based on a large population sample drawn from the WVS (Chai et al 2009). Further, compared to the U.S. citizens, Other Western and Latin participants have, on average, lower grid scores, whereas Hindu and Buddhists and Other or Unknown nationality have higher grid scores. For group dimension, Other Western, Latin and, to a smaller degree, Muslim, have higher group scores as compared to the U.S. These

observations are also overall consistent with cross-cultural differences reported in Chai et al (2009).



If we further classify our participants in accordance with two-dimensional grid-group classification discussed in Section 4.2 above, we obtain that 34 percent of our subjects are individualists (low group-ness and low grid-ness), 35.5 percent are distributionists²² (high group-ness and low grid-ness), 15 percent are ritualists (low group-ness and high grid-ness), and 15.5 are collectivists (high group-ness and high grid-ness), as listed in the bottom row of Table 5.²³

²² The association of individualism and collectivism with cultures that either low or high in both group-ness and grid-ness follows from work originating in Douglas' collaboration with Aaron Wildavsky (Douglas and Wildavsky, 1982, Chap. 5; Thompson, Ellis, and Wildavsky, 1990, Introduction). Our nomenclature for the other two quadrants of this scheme is meant to be slightly broader than but otherwise consistent with the original terminology of egalitarianism and fatalism.

²³ A closely related notion used in experimental economics literature for distributionists is an unconditional cooperator, for individualist type is a free rider (Kurzban and Houser 2005), and for collectivist type is a conditional cooperator (Fischbacher et al. 2001). These classifications are behavior-based, whereas the one we adopt is survey-based. Kurzban and Houser (2005) find the following distribution of types using a linear public good environment: 20 percent free riders, 13 percent cooperators and 63 percent the reciprocal type. Fischbacher et al. (2001) and Gächter et al. (2003) employ one-shot unconditional and conditional contributions in a public good setting and find the following distribution of types: 33 percent of free riders, 50 percent of conditional cooperators. Using the same method, Fischbacher and Gächter (2010) define subjects as 55 percent conditional cooperators, 23 percent free riders, 12 percent "triangle contributors" who increase their contributions up with contributions of others to some point and then decrease their contributions the more others contribute, and 10% unclassified. Kocher et al. (2008) replicated the experiment by Fischbacher et al. (2001) in three continents; the percent of conditional cooperators was

Table 5. Behavior across four cultural types

Decision	Overall		Mean by types,%				p-values*, Ho:					
	mean, %	std. dev.	Indivi- dualist (I)	Distrib- tionist (D)	Ritu- alist (R)	Collec- tivist (C)	I=D	I=R	I=C	D=R	D=C	R=C
Dictator game:												
Donation, out of \$10	35.5	(25.7)	33.3	41.7	35.7	25	.019	.434	.233	.404	.008	.170
Standard ultimatum game:												
Offer, out of \$10	45.4	(22.0)	43.3	49.5	46.2	39.6	.096	.442	.442	.874	.061	.374
Minimum acceptable amount, out of \$10	23.8	(19.4)	22.4	23	27.3	24.6	.972	.527	.415	.488	.812	.415
Convex ultimatum game:												
Percent of share, 1-99%	36.5	(21.8)	33.5	39.3	43.9	29.7	.032	.032	.432	.571	.007	.700
Amount divided, out of \$10	77.3	(34.3)	82.2	78.9	71.1	70.4	.717	.040	.065	.093	.129	.954
Offer by player 1, %	Percent of ten dollars divided by player 2											
1	53.1	(45.8)	49.8	53.9	57.3	53.8	.725	.621	.928	.887	.724	.635
10	61.6	(42.6)	58.8	65.3	62.3	58.1	.379	.977	.775	.387	.253	.701
20	64.7	(39.8)	62.9	65.4	63.8	67.3	.635	.825	.901	.575	.785	.835
30	70.6	(35.1)	66.3	75.4	68.8	70.4	.307	.977	.904	.271	.351	.887
40	78.1	(29.3)	78.6	81.4	71.9	76.2	.877	.213	.342	.112	.194	.619
50	88.6	(20.6)	91.6	90.0	83.1	85.0	.686	.068	.087	.132	.164	.883
60	86.1	(22.9)	90.0	87.9	78.5	82.3	.987	.049	.065	.067	.065	.759
70	85.3	(26.2)	89.0	89.5	75.8	78.5	.802	.035	.013	.041	.015	.969
80	84.6	(28.2)	88.8	89.3	73.8	76.5	.899	.034	.006	.032	.006	.890
90	84.4	(29.9)	88.4	90.5	73.8	73.5	.751	.070	.005	.027	.001	.639
99	83.4	(32.9)	88.8	91.2	65.8	73.1	.750	.005	.032	.001	.010	.546
Send-all-or-nothing trust game:												
Percent trusted \$6	55.2		44.7	61.8	57.8	59.1	.085	.335	.268	.764	.826	.939
Percent returned, out of \$12	37.4	(22.9)	36.4	42.2	29.7	36.6	.143	.285	.760	.018	.079	.450
Regular trust game:												
Percent trusted, out of \$6	45.6		43.6	47.9	43.0	46.2	.615	1.00	.894	.638	.755	.780
Percent returned, out of received	26.9	(23.5)	24.5	33.5	26.9	14.3	.105	.562	.310	.342	.013	.250
Sent by player 1, \$	Percent returned by player 2, out of received											
1	21.0	(29.3)	19.6	22.5	17.4	23.9	.405	.653	.451	.265	.914	.306
2	23.6	(26.5)	24.5	26.0	19.6	20.7	.712	.541	.752	.345	.475	.782
3	27.3	(22.6)	26.8	31.0	22.5	24.7	.281	.481	.758	.112	.203	.673
4	29.5	(21.6)	30.4	33.1	22.3	26.7	.482	.191	.555	.036	.122	.483
5	31.4	(22.1)	31.3	36.1	24.4	28.3	.201	.281	.660	0.03	.072	.487
6	35.4	(23.5)	35.0	42.8	24.7	30.8	.122	.122	.482	.004	.028	.277
Frequency, %			34	35.5	15	15.5						

*p-value for Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney test, two-tailed

[Table 5 HERE]

Although our main hypotheses of Section 5.2 refer to separate effects of grid and group cultural attributes, we will use the comparisons across the two-dimensional cultural types as additional evidence in our analysis.

6.2 Grid-group attributes and behavior in two-person games

The features of our experimental design (re-matching of subjects for each decision, the strategy method, and no feedback following decisions) allow us to treat each decision as an independent observation. In what follows, we use regression analyses, complemented by non-parametric Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney (WMW) tests, to study whether behavior varies with grid and group characteristics, and across cultural types. Descriptive statistics for each game overall, and by cultural type, are reported in Table 5 above. The table also reports the results of WMW two-tailed tests for differences of decisions between cultural types, based on the full sample of 220 participants. Tables 6 through 9 report tobit and logit regression estimations of behavior in each game as a function of grid and group scores, controlling for personal characteristics such as gender, education, age and religion.²⁴ A treatment dummy variable equal to zero for one-role treatment, and one for two-role treatment, is included to control for variations across the two treatments.²⁵ To explore the effects of country-level culture on behavior, we further consider two alternative regression specifications for each game: odd-numbered regressions in Tables 6—9 include a dummy variable for U.S. citizenship only; whereas even-numbered regression use U.S. citizens as base category and include a separate dummy variables for each non-U.S. citizenship cluster.

The discussion of the results is organized by game; for each game, we consider whether the hypotheses of Section 5.2 are supported by the data.

higher in USA (80.6%) than in Austria (44.4%) and Japan (41.7%). Van Dijk et al. (2002) use the ring test and find that about half of the subjects are concerned about other's interest. The majority of their subjects show positive orientations, i.e. they are willing to sacrifice own resources to the benefit of other. Less than 24 percent of subjects express a negative orientation towards others evidenced by their negative marginal rates of substitution between others' payoff and own payoff. Brandts and Schram (2001) use post-experimental questionnaire to classify people and find that cooperators (31.8%) contribute significantly more than individualists (40.6%) in public good games. Qualitatively, the distribution of types that we obtain is consistent with these findings.

²⁴ These regressions are based on 158 participants who disclosed their religion. As including the religion dummy significantly improved the explanatory power of regressions for many games, we chose to keep this explanatory variable at the expense of having a smaller number of observations.

²⁵ Including session fixed effects yields qualitatively identical results.

6.2.1 Dictator game

In line with many previous studies (e.g., Hoffman et al. 1994; Bohnet and Frey 1999), average donations in our divide-ten-dollars dictator game were above zero, but below fifty percent of the endowment. The mean donation for all sessions was 35.5 percent, as reported in Table 5. Overall 28 percent of subjects offered half of their endowment, 44 percent of subjects offered from 1 to 4 dollars, and 16 percent of population sent zero money. Importantly, we find that subject behavior varied by their cultural values, measured by the grid-group scores.

Result 1 [Dictator game]: *Hypothesis H1 is marginally supported: participants with higher group score donate more than participants with lower group scores.*

Support: Table 6, regressions (1) and (2). As predicted by hypothesis H1, group scores that are accountable for altruism have a positive effect on donations; although the effect is not significant for the baseline regression (Table 6, regression (1)), it is significant at 10 percent level when controlling for citizenship clusters; see regression (2).

[TABLE 6 HERE]

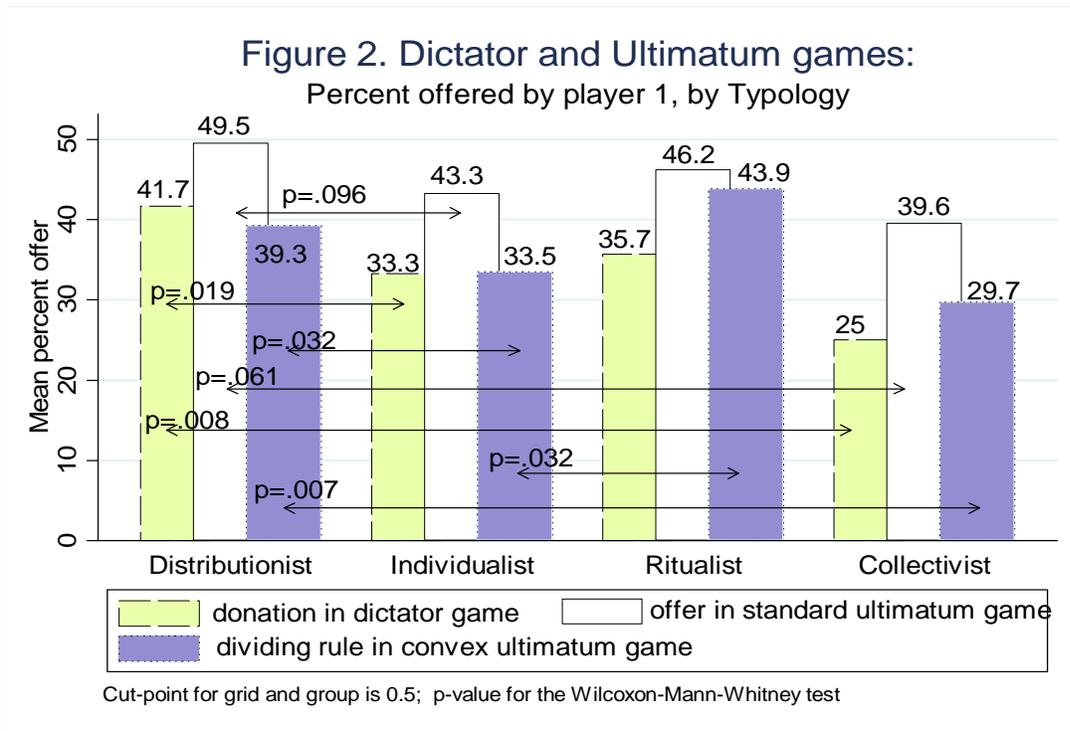
In addition, considering donations across four cultural types, we observe that distributionists (high in group and low in grid dimensions) donate more than individualists (low in both dimensions), but also more than collectivists (high in both dimensions: Donations by distributionists are significantly different (higher) than those by individualists ($p=.019$) and collectivists ($p=.008$). See Figure 2 and Table 5, row 1. Kruskal Wallis test shows significant differences in donations across four typologies ($p=.0238$).

Table 6. Regression estimation of dictator and ultimatum game decisions

Mean	Dictator game		Ultimatum game				Convex UG				
	(SE)	Donation, \$0-10		Offer, \$0-10		Min. acceptable amount, \$0-10		percent offered, 1-99%		Amount divided, \$0-10	
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
percent offered									0.21***	0.19***	
									(0.05)	(0.05)	
groupscore	3.20	4.14*	3.67*	4.19**	-3.99**	-3.12**	-2.79	2.01	9.17	7.30	
	(2.43)	(2.37)	(1.95)	(1.87)	(1.53)	(1.41)	(19.05)	(18.53)	(8.19)	(7.92)	
gridscore	1.55	-0.04	0.37	-0.30	2.44*	2.05*	16.76	8.55	-15.13**	-16.54**	
	(2.03)	(2.05)	(1.62)	(1.62)	(1.27)	(1.21)	(15.82)	(16.03)	(6.95)	(6.89)	
gender	-0.31	-0.22	-0.12	-0.02	-0.12	0.13	-4.41	-4.63	1.08	0.68	
	(0.58)	(0.57)	(0.46)	(0.45)	(0.38)	(0.36)	(4.56)	(4.46)	(2.04)	(2.01)	
edu	-0.15	-0.20	-0.20	-0.26	0.00	-0.03	-0.28	-0.57	-0.41	-0.32	
	(0.26)	(0.26)	(0.21)	(0.21)	(0.17)	(0.16)	(2.05)	(2.07)	(0.84)	(0.81)	
age	0.10**	0.10**	0.06*	0.06**	0.04	0.04	0.74**	0.80**	-0.07	-0.10	
	(0.04)	(0.04)	(0.03)	(0.03)	(0.03)	(0.03)	(0.31)	(0.31)	(0.14)	(0.13)	
noreligion	-1.19*	-0.86	-0.74	-0.68	-0.44	-0.30	-11.13**	-11.34**	1.80	1.66	
	(0.70)	(0.72)	(0.56)	(0.57)	(0.47)	(0.47)	(5.49)	(5.65)	(2.55)	(2.61)	
two-role treatment	-0.50	-0.83	-0.06	-0.35	-0.78*	-0.76**	0.27	-2.03	-0.18	0.11	
	(0.60)	(0.60)	(0.48)	(0.47)	(0.40)	(0.38)	(4.73)	(4.66)	(2.23)	(2.19)	
US citizen	1.49**		0.68		-0.92**		10.36*		2.39		
	(0.69)		(0.55)		(0.45)		(5.39)		(2.34)		
other western		-2.59*		-2.07*		-0.26		-27.41**		44.48	
		(1.33)		(1.06)		(0.93)		(10.55)		(.)	
latin american		-2.59		-0.11		-0.04		-7.53		-7.03	
		(1.90)		(1.46)		(1.12)		(14.47)		(5.84)	
muslim		-1.55		0.58		1.28*		-6.15		-3.78	
		(1.14)		(0.89)		(0.68)		(8.88)		(3.53)	
hindu		-2.79**		-2.55**		-1.11		-17.03		2.37	
		(1.38)		(1.10)		(1.01)		(10.86)		(4.99)	
confucian		-0.57		-0.53		1.29**		-11.22*		-1.54	
		(0.85)		(0.67)		(0.53)		(6.68)		(2.85)	
buddhist		2.38		1.96		2.79***		12.85		-1.11	
		(1.64)		(1.29)		(0.86)		(12.89)		(4.20)	
nationality unknown		-3.10		-2.01		-1.67		-32.83		52.54	
		(2.98)		(2.36)		(1.76)		(23.43)		(.)	
constant	-0.48	1.29	2.20	2.96*	3.55**	2.25*	16.24	28.93*	7.35	11.43	
	(2.34)	(2.00)	(1.86)	(1.58)	(1.45)	(1.20)	(18.20)	(15.60)	(7.93)	(6.99)	
pseudo R-sq	0.032	0.049	0.022	0.048	0.041	0.074	0.012	0.022	0.098	0.109	
N	112	112	112	112	109	111	112	112	109	111	

Tobit regressions. Standard errors in parentheses. *, **, *** significant at 10, 5, 1 percent level.

Odd-numbered regressions include only subjects who disclosed citizenship; even-numbered regressions include subjects with disclosed or undisclosed nationality.



6.2.2 Standard ultimatum game

Mean offers increase to 45.4 percent of ten dollars as compared to 35.5 percent in the dictator game. Consistent with previous findings (Engel 2011), percent of population offering half of their endowment rose from 28 in the dictator game to 38, and percent of subjects offering from 1 to 4 dollars fell from 44 percent in the dictator game to 39, and only 3 percent of population offered zero money to their match as compared with the 16 percent in the dictator game. In the ultimatum game, cultural values played a significant role.

Result 2 [Standard Ultimatum Game] *Hypothesis H2-A is supported: Proposers with higher group scores make higher offers. Hypothesis H2-B is also supported, and hypothesis H2-C is marginally supported: Responders with higher group scores and those with lower grid scores accept lower offers.*

Support: Table 6, regressions (3) – (6). The group score significantly and positively affects offers ($p < 0.1$ for baseline regression (3), and $p < 0.05$ for regression (4) with citizenship clusters). Responders with a higher group score have a lower minimum acceptable amount than those with a lower group score ($p < 0.05$ for both specifications (5) and (6) with and without citizenship clusters). Consistent with hypothesis H2-C, responders with a higher grid score have a higher

minimum acceptable amount; the difference is marginally significant ($p < 0.1$, regressions (5) and (6)).

Comparing the behavior across four cultural types provides additional support for H2-A. Distributionists (high-group low-grid) offer 49.5 percent, as compared to 43.3 percent offered by individualists (low-group and low-grid); the difference is marginally significant ($p = 0.096$). See Table 5 and Figure 2.

In addition, we find that donations in the dictator game are smaller than offers in the ultimatum game across all four cultural types ($p < .02$). However, the differences in donations in the dictator game and offers in the ultimatum game become insignificant for group scores below 0.3 or above 0.7 ($p = .1447$ and $p = .1020$), suggesting that for participants with very low and very high group values, the strengths of their social welfare orientation dominate strategic differences between these two games.

6.2.3 Convex ultimatum game

In the convex ultimatum game as in Andreoni et al. (2003), a proposer (player 1) offers a percentage of the total pie to responder (player 2) who in turn decides on the amount of dollars to be divided for each possible dividing rule. The maximum money to divide is ten dollars. The average offer was 36.5 percent of the total pie. About one third of proposers (34 percent) offered equal split, and 48 percent of total offers were between 10 to 40 percent of the pie. Only 12 percent of offers were at the self-interested money-maximizer's equilibrium value of (99, 1), and 37 percent of them were rejected. The total rejection rate was 9 percent, and rejected proposers' offers varied from 1 to 30 percent of the pie. We find the following effects of cultural characteristics on behavior.

Result 3 [Convex Ultimatum game]: *Overall, hypotheses H2-A and H2-B are not supported: the overall effects of group score on the percentage offered and amount divided are insignificant. However, H2-A and H2-B are partially supported based on the four-type classification: distributionists (high-group, low-grid) offer higher shares than individualists (low-group, low-grid,) and also divide more dollars than ritualists (low-group, high-grid). Hypothesis H2-C is supported: responders with higher grid score divide fewer dollars than responders with lower grid scores.*

Support: Tables 6, 7. From Table 6, specifications (7) – (8), the effect of group score on the percentage offered by player 1 is insignificant ($p > 0.1$). Likewise, group score does not have a significant effect on the amount divided by player 2; see Table 6, specifications (9)—(10), and Table 7. In fact, more than half (61 percent) of responders choose to divide the maximal amount of ten dollars.

However, comparison across four cultural types (Table 5, Figures 2, 3) provides partial support for hypotheses H2-A and H2-B: distributionists offer higher shares than individualists, 39.3 vs. 33.5 percent respectively, with $p = .032$; and divide marginally more dollars than ritualists, 78.9 vs. 71.1 percent respectively, with $p = .093$.

Consistent with hypothesis H2-C, grid score has a negative and significant effect on the amount divided ($p < 0.05$; Table 6, regressions (9)—(10)); that is, those with higher grid scores divide fewer dollars than those with lower grid scores. Moreover, from Table 7, this result is significant for each dividing rule when player 1 (proposer) offered more than ten percent to player 2 ($p < 0.05$ or $p < 0.01$ in all cases). This indicates that high-grid responders are willing to punish proposers significantly more than low-grid responders for all levels of offers above 10 percent.

[Table 7 HERE]

In addition, the non-parametric tests (Table 5 and Figure 3) indicate that high-grid ritualists divide fewer dollars than low-grid distributionists ($p = .093$), and ritualists and collectivists (both high-grid) divide fewer dollars than low-grid individualists ($p = .040$ and $p = 0.065$ respectively). Conditional on the dividing rule, high-grid responders (ritualists and collectivists) divide fewer dollars than low-grid responders (distributionists and individualists) for each offer level above 50 percent ($p < .10$, with $p < .05$ in most cases).

Table 7. Regression estimation of amount divided by player 2 conditional on percentage offered in Convex Ultimatum Game

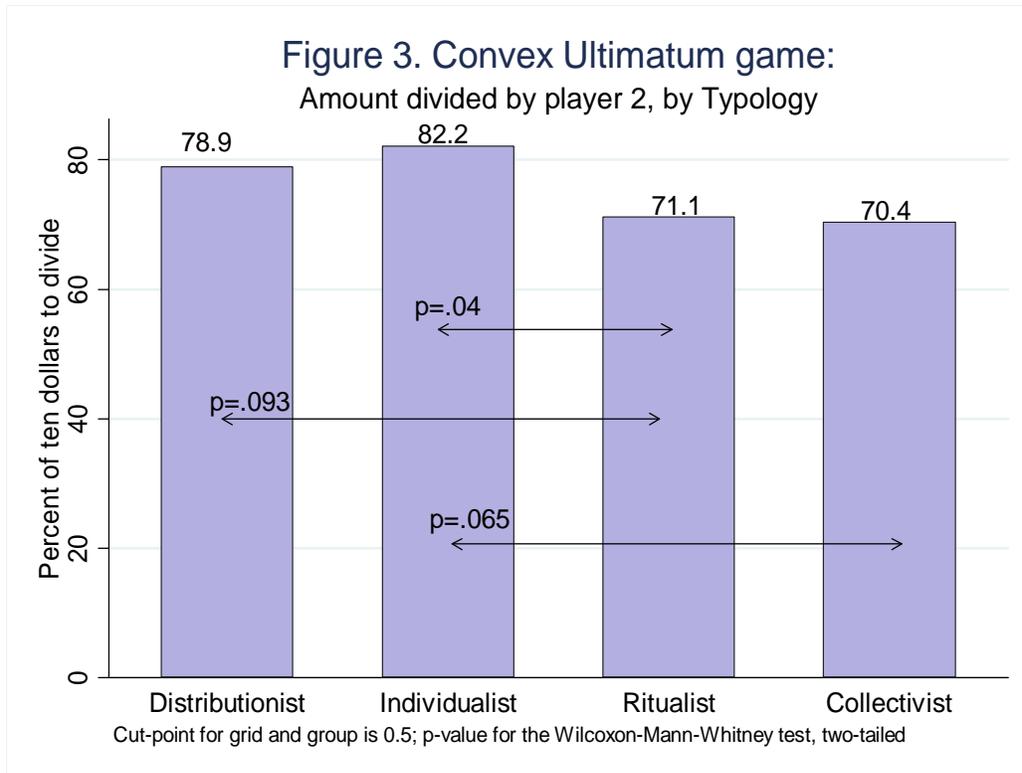
Mean (SE)	Amount divided, \$0-\$10											
	if offered 1%		if offered 10%		if offered 20%		if offered 30%		if offered 40%		if offered 50%	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
groupscore	14.15 (12.20)	12.85 (11.28)	9.71 (9.09)	8.92 (8.27)	4.24 (7.72)	3.43 (7.12)	3.27 (5.89)	3.60 (5.45)	0.73 (5.10)	-0.14 (4.97)	-0.68 (5.93)	-0.60 (5.97)
gridscore	-12.28 (9.81)	-11.68 (9.09)	-11.74 (7.52)	-11.38 (7.00)	-13.08** (6.48)	-12.30** (6.08)	-11.63** (4.95)	-11.76** (4.67)	-11.70*** (4.30)	-11.90*** (4.31)	-13.46*** (5.13)	-12.60** (5.17)
gender	3.18 (3.00)	2.78 (2.85)	1.54 (2.24)	0.83 (2.07)	0.18 (1.91)	-0.52 (1.79)	0.41 (1.46)	0.14 (1.36)	0.13 (1.28)	-0.26 (1.26)	-0.84 (1.44)	-1.29 (1.45)
edu	0.76 (1.30)	0.70 (1.18)	0.60 (0.96)	0.66 (0.87)	0.40 (0.82)	0.61 (0.76)	0.36 (0.63)	0.53 (0.58)	0.11 (0.54)	0.15 (0.53)	-0.19 (0.61)	0.04 (0.60)
age	0.23 (0.22)	0.15 (0.19)	-0.03 (0.16)	-0.07 (0.14)	-0.07 (0.14)	-0.10 (0.13)	-0.08 (0.11)	-0.10 (0.10)	-0.09 (0.09)	-0.10 (0.09)	-0.13 (0.09)	-0.14 (0.09)
noreligion	6.02 (3.75)	2.34 (3.58)	2.82 (2.80)	0.43 (2.72)	3.50 (2.40)	1.58 (2.32)	1.62 (1.83)	0.63 (1.80)	0.90 (1.59)	0.91 (1.67)	-0.72 (1.78)	-0.89 (1.92)
two-role treatment	1.76 (3.12)	3.41 (2.91)	0.50 (2.39)	1.62 (2.22)	0.58 (2.05)	1.58 (1.92)	0.51 (1.56)	1.28 (1.46)	-0.18 (1.37)	0.05 (1.36)	-2.68 (1.67)	-2.39 (1.65)
US citizen	7.12* (3.62)		4.16 (2.70)		3.22 (2.28)		2.30 (1.74)		0.85 (1.51)		0.57 (1.74)	
other western		69.35 (.)		54.38 (.)		47.82 (.)		36.86 (.)		33.81 (.)		28.73 (.)
latin american		-82.21 (.)		-16.90*** (6.38)		-15.01*** (5.49)		-12.66*** (4.19)		-3.68 (3.75)		-4.11 (4.32)
muslim		-6.15 (5.12)		-5.47 (3.79)		-4.64 (3.23)		-3.86 (2.48)		-1.74 (2.30)		-1.44 (2.61)
hindu		0.95 (7.31)		4.82 (6.29)		4.36 (5.45)		0.82 (3.69)		1.39 (3.35)		-0.18 (3.37)
confucian		-10.29** (4.11)		-6.39** (3.05)		-5.69** (2.62)		-3.04 (1.99)		-0.29 (1.83)		-1.20 (2.14)
buddhist		13.51* (8.12)		5.00 (5.19)		2.13 (4.35)		1.04 (3.18)		-1.90 (2.85)		-4.55 (2.96)
nationality unknc		71.51 (.)		54.37 (.)		48.39 (.)		37.37 (.)		32.70 (.)		28.20 (.)
constant	-14.87 (11.77)	-4.63 (9.35)	2.63 (8.50)	8.33 (6.81)	8.45 (7.24)	12.40** (5.96)	10.67* (5.54)	12.77*** (4.57)	15.92*** (4.86)	17.02*** (4.25)	26.19*** (6.49)	25.88*** (5.90)
pseudo R-sq	0.031	0.095	0.018	0.063	0.019	0.064	0.023	0.065	0.029	0.049	0.076	0.098
N	109	111	109	111	109	111	109	111	109	111	109	111

Tobit regressions. Standard errors in parentheses. *, **, *** significant at 10, 5, 1 percent level.

Table 7 (continued). Regression estimation of amount divided by player 2 conditional on percentage offered, Convex Ultimatum Game

	Amount divided, \$0-\$10									
	if offered 60%		if offered 70%		if offered 80%		if offered 90%		if offered 99%	
Mean (SE)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
groupscore	-0.03 (5.13)	-1.24 (4.90)	-1.63 (6.14)	-4.01 (6.07)	-1.40 (7.71)	-5.35 (7.39)	-1.23 (9.08)	-5.34 (8.94)	3.48 (14.51)	-6.66 (14.99)
gridscore	-15.63*** (4.61)	-14.80*** (4.51)	-17.65** (5.46)	-16.66*** (5.43)	-21.62*** (6.85)	-19.79*** (6.58)	-24.54*** (8.22)	-22.71*** (8.01)	-35.88** (13.81)	-36.62** (14.42)
gender	0.72 (1.28)	0.39 (1.24)	0.89 (1.51)	0.56 (1.50)	2.64 (1.94)	1.94 (1.89)	3.27 (2.32)	2.63 (2.32)	3.06 (3.65)	2.40 (3.88)
edu	0.20 (0.53)	0.26 (0.51)	0.26 (0.62)	0.31 (0.61)	0.68 (0.78)	0.65 (0.74)	0.58 (0.92)	0.49 (0.89)	0.45 (1.42)	0.51 (1.46)
age	-0.04 (0.09)	-0.04 (0.09)	-0.04 (0.11)	-0.03 (0.10)	-0.07 (0.13)	-0.05 (0.12)	-0.13 (0.15)	-0.12 (0.15)	-0.19 (0.23)	-0.18 (0.24)
noreligion	0.61 (1.60)	0.58 (1.64)	0.15 (1.89)	-0.54 (2.01)	-0.56 (2.37)	-1.06 (2.45)	-1.56 (2.87)	-2.89 (3.16)	-3.74 (4.64)	-5.18 (5.32)
two-role treatment	-1.16 (1.38)	-0.98 (1.34)	-1.10 (1.63)	-0.82 (1.61)	-1.54 (2.02)	-1.48 (1.95)	-0.05 (2.40)	0.25 (2.41)	-4.22 (3.98)	-4.03 (4.17)
US citizen	0.63 (1.53)		0.36 (1.81)		0.42 (2.24)		1.45 (2.68)		1.93 (4.25)	
other western		28.75 (.)		34.12 (.)		37.82 (.)		44.27 (.)		69.12 (.)
latin american		-2.09 (3.87)		-2.58 (4.67)		32.32 (.)		35.27 (.)		55.20 (.)
muslim		0.32 (2.40)		2.80 (3.31)		3.03 (4.00)		2.03 (4.72)		3.82 (7.79)
hindu		-0.17 (3.12)		0.12 (3.74)		2.39 (4.94)		1.87 (5.84)		6.06 (9.64)
confucian		-0.32 (1.80)		-1.11 (2.16)		-1.02 (2.59)		-3.29 (3.25)		-3.14 (5.35)
buddhist		-3.93 (2.65)		-3.19 (3.17)		-5.39 (3.71)		-3.68 (4.59)		-8.95 (7.93)
nationality unknc		28.70 (.)		33.91 (.)		37.64 (.)		43.76 (.)		-92.95 (.)
constant	18.36*** (4.93)	18.61*** (4.26)	20.76*** (6.02)	21.70*** (5.42)	22.69*** (7.44)	24.04*** (6.63)	26.58*** (8.92)	29.94*** (8.42)	40.02*** (15.03)	47.26*** (15.51)
pseudo R-sq	0.062	0.081	0.061	0.082	0.077	0.105	0.084	0.107	0.093	0.135
N	109	111	109	111	109	111	109	111	109	111

Tobit regressions. Standard errors in parentheses. *, **, *** significant at 10, 5, 1 percent level.



In sum, the strongest support for the grid-group theory in the convex ultimatum game comes from responder behavior: consistent with hypothesis H2-C, high-grid responders divide fewer dollars than low grid responders for most dividing rules, including those offering most of the pie to the responder. Such result may suggest heterogeneity of perceived social norms among subjects: for some high-grid types their perceived social norm may be an offer of no more than 50 percent, and they may reject offers above that as uncommon or unconventional. Consistent with this argument, the overwhelming majority – 93.75 percent -- of proposers offered 50 percent or below, and only 6.25 percent of all offers were above 50 percent. This provides evidence that, among our participants, high offers were very uncommon and could be viewed as norm violations. In addition, higher complexity of the convex ultimatum game (relative to the standard ultimatum game, where 20 percent of all offers were above 50 percent) may have made the participants gravitate more strongly towards the norm of offering no more than half of the pie.

6.2.4 Send-all-or-nothing trust game:

In send-all-or-nothing version of the trust game, 55.2 percent of subjects in the role of trustor (player 1) trusted others and sent six dollars, which was then doubled by experimenter. The

subjects in the role of trustee (player 2) returned, on average, 74.8 percent of six dollars (37.4 percent of 12 dollars). 17.5 percent of trustees acted in a self-interested manner and returned zero to the trustor. The modal return of six dollars involved responses from 46 percent of the subjects.

Result 4 [Send all-or-nothing trust game]: *Hypothesis H3-A is not supported overall: trustors with higher group scores do not trust more often than those with low group scores. However, it is marginally supported for low-grid trustors: distributionists (high-group, low-grid) trust more often than individualists (low-group, low-grid). Hypothesis H3-B is supported: High-group trustees return more than low-group trustees.*

Support: Tables 8, 5. From Table 8, regressions (1) and (2), the overall effect of groups score on the trusting probability of player 1 is positive but insignificant ($p > 0.1$). Yet from Table 5 and Figure 4, there are more trusting distributionists (61.8 percent) than individualists (44.7 percent); the difference is marginally significant ($p = .085$). Further, from regressions (3) and (4) in Table 8, the group score has a positive and significant effect on the amount returned ($p < .05$). This indicates that, consistent with hypothesis H3-B, high-group individuals are trustworthy.

[Table 8 here]

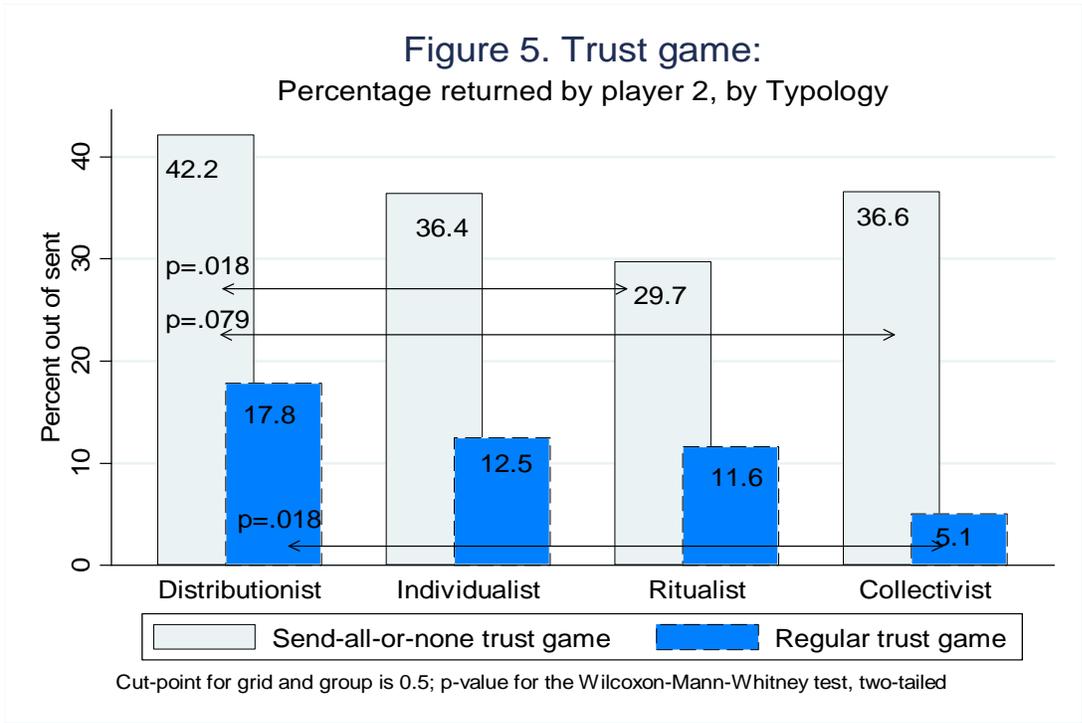
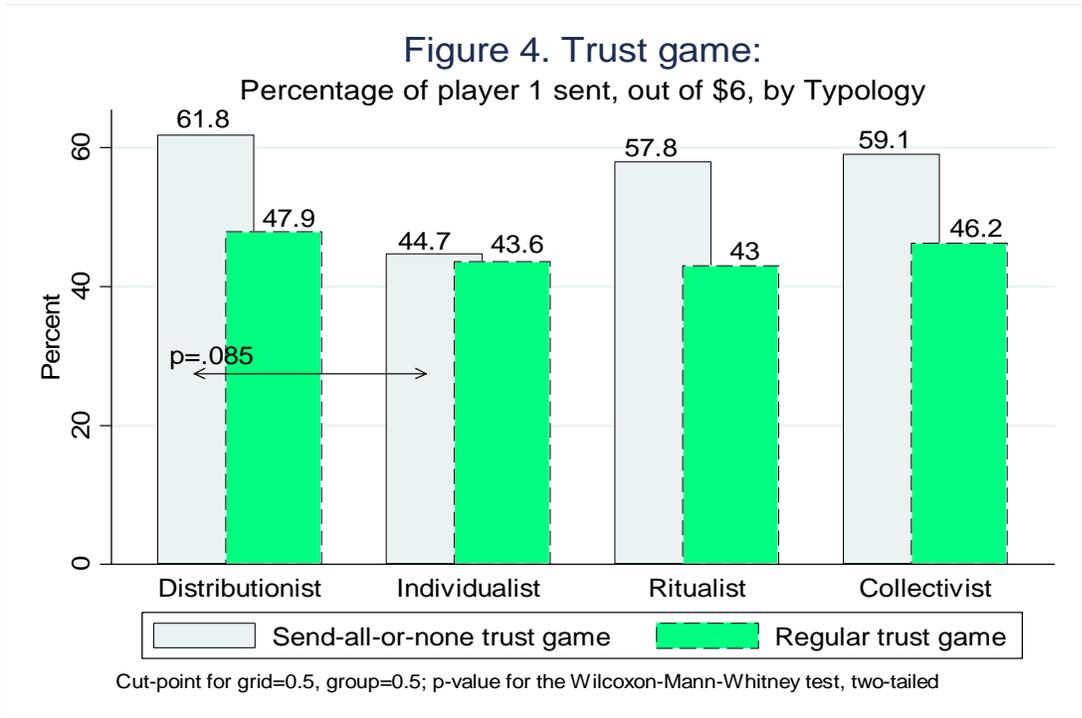
In sum, for the send all-or-nothing trust game, the support for hypothesis H3-A is weak, whereas hypothesis H3-B is fully supported by the data.

In addition, we observe, from Table 5 and Figure 5, that high-grid individuals (ritualists and collectivists) returned fewer dollars than distributionists ($p = .018$ and $p = .079$, respectively).

Table 8. Regression estimations of trust games decisions

Mean	Send all-or-nothing trust game				Regular trust game			
	Trusting probability		Amount returned, \$0-12		Amount trusted, \$0-6		Percent returned, 0-100	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
amount received							6.28** (2.52)	7.31*** (2.50)
groupscore	2.55 (2.29)	2.69 (2.36)	5.44** (2.68)	5.45** (2.54)	5.75 (4.53)	6.18 (4.66)	39.64 (28.94)	37.33 (28.33)
gridscore	1.48 (1.65)	1.03 (1.71)	0.22 (2.13)	0.06 (2.07)	1.59 (3.35)	0.80 (3.58)	-39.93 (24.10)	-35.39 (24.92)
gender	-0.65 (0.47)	-0.69 (0.50)	-0.46 (0.63)	-0.11 (0.62)	-0.31 (0.98)	-0.47 (1.03)	1.95 (7.30)	4.52 (7.30)
edu	-0.05 (0.22)	0.00 (0.23)	-0.22 (0.27)	-0.17 (0.26)	-0.15 (0.43)	-0.11 (0.46)	-2.29 (3.11)	-1.84 (3.20)
age	0.18*** (0.06)	0.17** (0.07)	0.03 (0.05)	0.03 (0.05)	0.30*** (0.10)	0.30*** (0.11)	-0.01 (0.57)	-0.03 (0.56)
noreligion	-1.15* (0.60)	-0.98 (0.64)	0.32 (0.79)	0.70 (0.79)	-1.47 (1.18)	-1.27 (1.28)	16.38* (9.43)	15.23 (9.50)
two-role treatment	1.41*** (0.54)	1.27** (0.54)	0.80 (0.67)	0.86 (0.64)	1.39 (1.02)	1.13 (1.08)	11.68 (8.44)	13.28 (8.26)
US citizen	2.54*** (0.76)		0.30 (0.75)		4.36*** (1.28)		1.15 (8.35)	
other western		-2.65** (1.27)		-0.57 (1.55)		-4.91** (2.46)		-10.30 (17.10)
latin american		-3.70** (1.56)		-0.99 (1.90)		-6.05* (3.13)		-1.29 (23.80)
muslim		-2.92*** (1.05)		-0.31 (1.14)		-5.17** (2.14)		5.01 (12.62)
hindu		-2.59* (1.39)		-5.77** (2.40)		-4.12 (2.83)		-187.04 (.)
confucian		-1.94** (0.87)		0.80 (0.89)		-3.69** (1.60)		-1.24 (10.99)
buddhist		-3.00** (1.46)		-1.58 (1.63)		-4.42 (2.83)		5.67 (16.25)
nationality unknown		0.00 (.)		-2.69 (2.91)		-5.38 (4.90)		-157.24 (.)
constant	-7.35*** (2.40)	-4.80** (1.94)	1.05 (2.44)	0.71 (2.05)	-10.62** (4.30)	-6.27* (3.76)	-15.85 (28.42)	-22.88 (26.58)
pseudo R-sq	0.201	0.194	0.018	0.039	0.065	0.063	0.030	0.047
N	104	103	101	103	104	104	65	67

Logit regression for estimations (1) and (2), and tobit regressions for all other estimations. Standard errors in parentheses. *, **, *** significant at 10, 5, 1 percent level. Amount returned in the send-all-or-none game is conditional on being sent \$6. Percentage returned in the regular trust game is the realized percentage for those who were trusted with positive amounts.



6.2.5 Regular trust game:

In the regular version of trust game, player 1 (trustor) can choose to send to player 2 (trustee) any portion of six dollars. The data show that 35.7 percent of trustors kept all money for themselves. Only 20 percent of trustors trusted all six dollars in comparison with 55.2 percent in the send all-or-nothing trust game. The mean amount trusted was 45.6 percent of the six dollars endowment. Among trustees who received positive amounts, 34.8 percent kept all money, and 28.3 percent returned less than half of the amount received, thus not repaying the trust. Only 36.9 percent trustees repaid the trust, with 29.3 percent returning half of the doubled money, and 7.6 percent returning more than half.²⁶

Result 5 [Regular trust game]: *Hypothesis H3-A is not supported overall: trustors with higher group scores trust higher amounts, but only insignificantly so. Hypothesis H3-B is supported, as trustees with higher group scores return higher amounts. Hypothesis H3-C is not supported, as the grid score has insignificant effect on the amount returned by trustees.*

Support: Tables 5, 8, 9. From Table 8, regressions (5) and (6), the effect of group score on the amount trusted is positive but insignificant ($p > 0.1$). Regarding player 2 (trustee) behavior, to control for the differences in the amount sent, we report the percentage returned, rather than the absolute amount returned in Tables 5, and Table 8, regressions (7)-(8).²⁷ As predicted, the effect of group score on percentage returned is positive, and the effect of grid score is negative; yet, neither effect is significant ($p > .1$ in both cases; Table 8, regression (7) and (8)).

[Table 9 here]

However, group score becomes significant when we analyze trustee's complete strategies, i.e., decisions on how much to return for each the amount trusted. From regression estimations presented in Table 9, for any level of trust above one dollar, the group score positively and significantly affects the amounts returned ($p < .05$). The effect of grid score is still insignificant. Comparing the trustee behavior across the four cultural types (Table 5, Figure 5), for any

²⁶ For comparison, in Berg et al. (1995), trustors sent about 50 percent of the endowment, and trustees returned about 95 percent of the amount sent; see also Camerer (2003).

²⁷ Trustworthiness is commonly measured as the amount returned divided by the amount received; see, e.g., Ashraf et al. (2006). Regression analyses of percentage returned reported in Table 8, columns (7) and (8) also control for the amount received by the trustee. We find that percentage returned increases with the amount received, a common finding in the trust game studies.

Table 9. Regression estimation of amount returned by player 2 in the regular trust game

Mean (SE)	Amount returned conditional on the amount trusted											
	if trusted \$1		if trusted \$2		if trusted \$3		if trusted \$4		if trusted \$5		if sent \$6	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
groupscore	2.23 (1.44)	2.40* (1.42)	4.27** (1.64)	4.17** (1.64)	3.45*** (1.30)	3.13** (1.30)	3.34** (1.59)	3.08** (1.54)	4.38** (2.00)	4.10** (1.91)	6.70*** (2.53)	6.32*** (2.40)
gridscore	0.77 (1.11)	0.43 (1.11)	0.80 (1.26)	0.45 (1.28)	0.43 (1.03)	0.19 (1.05)	-1.29 (1.26)	-1.36 (1.25)	-1.99 (1.59)	-2.07 (1.55)	-2.49 (2.00)	-2.83 (1.94)
gender	0.38 (0.34)	0.59* (0.35)	0.23 (0.38)	0.41 (0.40)	0.12 (0.31)	0.30 (0.31)	0.11 (0.38)	0.26 (0.38)	-0.06 (0.47)	0.19 (0.47)	0.04 (0.59)	0.39 (0.58)
edu	-0.09 (0.14)	-0.10 (0.14)	-0.09 (0.16)	-0.10 (0.16)	0.04 (0.13)	0.08 (0.13)	0.10 (0.16)	0.10 (0.16)	0.08 (0.20)	0.10 (0.20)	0.07 (0.25)	0.13 (0.25)
age	0.04 (0.03)	0.04 (0.03)	0.01 (0.03)	0.01 (0.03)	0.01 (0.02)	0.01 (0.02)	0.00 (0.03)	0.00 (0.03)	-0.01 (0.04)	-0.01 (0.04)	0.00 (0.05)	0.01 (0.05)
noreligion	-0.21 (0.41)	-0.10 (0.42)	-0.06 (0.47)	-0.01 (0.49)	0.46 (0.38)	0.58 (0.40)	0.98** (0.47)	1.03** (0.48)	1.33** (0.59)	1.47** (0.59)	1.44* (0.74)	1.78** (0.74)
two-role treatment	0.13 (0.36)	0.10 (0.35)	0.57 (0.41)	0.55 (0.41)	0.61* (0.32)	0.66** (0.33)	0.73* (0.40)	0.73* (0.39)	0.94* (0.50)	0.97** (0.48)	0.59 (0.63)	0.63 (0.61)
US citizen	-0.33 (0.40)		-0.17 (0.45)		-0.15 (0.36)		-0.19 (0.44)		-0.09 (0.56)		0.07 (0.70)	
other western		-0.05 (0.83)		-0.34 (1.00)		-0.24 (0.79)		0.04 (0.94)		-0.20 (1.17)		-0.65 (1.46)
latin american		-0.19 (1.08)		0.06 (1.16)		-0.44 (0.96)		-0.14 (1.15)		-0.45 (1.43)		-0.95 (1.79)
muslim		0.65 (0.60)		0.61 (0.69)		0.35 (0.57)		0.91 (0.69)		0.85 (0.86)		0.26 (1.07)
hindu		-8.13 (.)		-0.91 (1.41)		-1.79 (1.17)		-1.97 (1.40)		-3.77** (1.79)		-4.50** (2.23)
confucian		0.80 (0.49)		0.52 (0.56)		0.50 (0.45)		0.60 (0.54)		0.73 (0.67)		1.16 (0.84)
buddhist		1.12 (0.81)		0.88 (0.99)		-0.16 (0.82)		-0.01 (0.99)		-0.43 (1.22)		-1.88 (1.58)
nationality unkno		-7.74 (.)		-10.17 (.)		-9.97 (.)		-12.29 (.)		-15.54 (.)		-19.93 (.)
constant	-2.30* (1.37)	-2.66** (1.22)	-2.24 (1.52)	-2.37* (1.36)	-1.36 (1.19)	-1.70 (1.06)	-0.22 (1.45)	-0.41 (1.25)	0.39 (1.82)	0.09 (1.55)	0.19 (2.28)	-0.21 (1.94)
pseudo R-sq	0.041	0.078	0.036	0.049	0.045	0.067	0.037	0.061	0.033	0.062	0.028	0.058
N	101	103	101	103	101	103	101	103	101	103	101	103

Tobit regressions. Standard errors in parentheses. *, **, *** significant at 10, 5, 1 percent level

amounts above one dollar sent by player 1, high-grid types (ritualists and collectivists) are willing to return, on average, less than low-grid types (distributionists and individualists); the difference between ritualists and distributionists, and collectivists and distributionists is significant if five or six dollars are sent ($p < 0.05$ in most cases; see Table 5). However, the latter difference (if all six dollars are sent) is inconsistent with hypothesis H3-C, as high-grid trustees should not punish trustors for sending full amounts.

Combining the evidence from both send all-or-nothing and regular trust games, we find only very marginal and partial support (from send all-or-nothing trust game) for hypothesis H3-A that group-ness leads to more trust. Hypothesis H3-B is supported by the data from both games, as high-group trustees return more, when controlling for the amount trusted. Hypothesis H3-C, that high-grid trustees return lower percentages unless trusted the full amount, is not supported overall.

The summary of the results of hypotheses tests regarding the effects of grid and group on behavior across games is given in the last column of Table 3.

6.3 Effect of demographics: citizenship, religion and age

As culture is traditionally linked to nationality or geographic region – see our discussion in Sections 4.2 and 6.1 above -- we now explicitly address the issue of whether controlling for citizenship clusters in the analysis of game behavior changes the significance of grid and group cultural characteristics. From the regression results reported in Tables 6–9 (even-numbered regressions), we find that adding citizenship clusters as explanatory variables does not reduce the significance of grid and group; on the contrary, in some cases the effects become more pronounced. Specifically, the positive effects of group score becomes more significant when controlling for citizenship clusters in donation estimations in the dictator game (Table 6, compare regressions (1) and (2)), and proposer offers in the standard ultimatum game (Table 6, regressions (3) and (4)). The positive effect of group score remains equally significant when controlling for citizenship clusters when estimating the amount returned in the trust games (Table 8, compare regressions (3) and (4); and Table 9, compare odd- and even-numbered regressions). Likewise, controlling for citizenship clusters does not reduce the significance of grid score for the responder behavior in both standard and convex ultimatum games (Table 6, compare regressions (5) and (6), (9) and (10), and Table 7, odd- and even-numbered regressions).

Result 6 [Grid-group characteristics and citizenship]: *Grid and group cultural characteristics remain significant in explaining most game decisions after controlling for citizenship clusters.*

While maintaining the significance of grid and group characteristics, in many cases adding citizenship clusters helps to better explain behavior. From the odd-numbered regression specifications in Tables 6 – 9 that include only indicator variable for U.S. citizen, we observe that, compared to other participants, U.S. citizens give more in the dictator game ($p < .05$, Table 6, regression (1)); offer more in the convex ultimatum games ($p < .10$, Table 6, regression (7)), and trust more in both versions of the trust game ($p < .01$; Table 8, regressions (1) and (5)). U.S. citizens also accept lower offers in the standard ultimatum game ($p < .05$; Table 6, regression (5)). The even-numbered regression specifications in Tables 6 – 9 use U.S. citizens as the baseline (omitted) category and include dummy variables for seven other citizenship clusters, as listed in Table 4. These regressions allow to explore whether all non-U.S. citizens, or only those from certain citizenship clusters, behave differently from the U.S. citizens. From the latter estimations, we observe that compared with the U.S. citizens, Other Western and Hindu donate less in dictator games and offer less in the standard ultimatum game ($p < 0.1$ for Other Western and $p < 0.05$ for Hindu in both cases; Table 6, regressions (2) and ((4)); Other Western and Confucian also offer less in the convex ultimatum game ($p < 0.05$ and $p < 0.1$, correspondingly; see Table 6, regression (8)); and almost all non-U.S. citizens trust significantly less than the U.S. citizens in at least one of the trust games (Table 8, regressions (2) and (6)). Regarding player 2 behavior, Muslim, Confucian and Buddhist have higher minimal acceptable amounts in the regular ultimatum game ($p < 0.05$ for Confucian and Buddhist, $p < 0.1$ for Muslim; Table 6, regression (6)); and Hindu return less, especially if trusted a large amount, in the trust game ($p < 0.05$; Table 8, regression (4), and Table (9), regressions (10) and (12)).

The results on the effect of citizenship on behavior should be considered with caution because of small size of some of the non-U.S. citizenship clusters.²⁸ Yet, many differences

²⁸To perform a robustness check of the regression results obtained with citizenship clusters, we used alternative regressions that group all participants into two larger groups: Western, and Eastern and Other, and allowed differentiated effects of grid and group scores between these groups. These alternative regression specifications explained participant behaviour no better, and often worse, than those presented in Tables 6—10. This is likely due to heterogeneity of grid/group characteristics within the Western group, as discussed in Section 6.1. Yet a few differences between Western and Eastern groups are worth noting: A positive effect of group score on donations in dictator game, and on percent offered in the convex ultimatum game, was (marginally) significant for Western participants, but not for Eastern participants. In addition, all Western participants were willing to accept lower

between citizenship clusters reported in our analysis are consistent with differences in grid and group country and country cluster characteristics as documented by Chai et al (2009) who perform the analysis of grid and group measures on a large sample drawn from the WVS. They report that, in comparison to Western cultures, “people in predominantly Muslim cultures tend more toward norm-governed behavior (grid-ness) and collective identity (group-ness)” (p. 203). In this respect, low donations and low offers by Other Western, and higher rejection rates by Muslim country cluster participants are consistent with their country grid-group measures, as reported in Chai et al (2009). While our measures reported in Table 5 do not have the Muslim cluster characterized by significantly different from the U.S. or (Other Western) grid or group scores, this is likely due to a small number of subjects in the Muslim cluster, or to noise in the measurement as applied to a small number of subjects (see also our footnote 18 in Section 6.1). Overall, we find that our results are consistent with the grid-group cultural theory predictions when controlling for citizenship clusters.

Although citizenship clusters are based on the predominant religion in the country of origin, this religion does not necessarily apply to all of the country’s citizens. Hence, we further explore whether having any religious affiliation affects behavior in games; we do this by including the “no religion” dummy in the regression analysis. From Table 6, we find that being religious has a positive and marginally significant effect on donations in the dictator game ($p < .10$, regression (1)), but this effect disappears when controlling for citizenship clusters (regression (2)). Being religious positively affects offers in the convex ultimatum game, even when controlling for citizenship clusters ($p < .05$; Table 6, regressions (7) and (8)). Religion also positively affects trust in the send-all-or-nothing trust game, and, surprisingly, it decreases percentage returned in the regular trust game. However, both trust game effects are only marginally significant ($p < .10$ in both cases), and become insignificant when controlling for citizenship clusters (Table 8, compare regressions (1) and (2), (7) and (8)). This suggests that in several cases the effect of being religious is specific to citizens of certain clusters.

Age is another demographic variable that is often found to have a significant effect on behavior. Our regression analyses reported in Table 6 show that age positively affects giving in

amounts in the standard ultimatum game, which can be explained by lower grid scores in Western as compared to Eastern group (Table 4). In trust games, a positive effect of group score, and a negative effect of grid score on the amount returned, was more pronounced for Eastern, and less so for Western participants. The latter is also consistent with higher grid scores in Eastern group. Finally, Western group participants appear more trusting than Eastern, but this is explained by higher trust by U.S. citizens. Indeed, U.S. citizens trust significantly more than Other Western and Latin.

the dictator game ($p < .05$; regressions (1) and (2)) and offers in both ultimatum games ($p < .05$, regressions (4), (7) and (8)). From Table 8, older subjects trust significantly more than younger cohort in both trust games ($p < .05$, regressions (1), (2); $p < .01$, regressions (5) and (6)).

We conclude:

Result 7 [Effects of demographics]: *Older people, U.S. citizens and religious subjects donate more in the dictator game, offer more in the convex ultimatum game, and trust more in trust games.*

Our findings on demographics are broadly consistent with existing studies. Camerer (2003) notes that with age, self-interest is replaced with compromise and fair-mindedness. Age has a strong effect in the Meta analysis of dictator game (Engel, 2011) and investment decisions (Bellemare and Kroger, 2007). The result that the U.S. citizens trust more is similar to findings from cross-societal experiments by Yamagishi et al. (1998). They report that U.S. citizens have a higher level of general trust than Japanese. Interestingly, we find no significant differences in behavior by gender.

6.4 Robustness check: alternate grid and group measures and behavior

The above results on the effects of grid and group on behavior rest heavily on validity WVS-based grid-group measurement instrument. One possible shortcoming of this instrument is that WVS-based grid and group indices, while facilitating cross-validation using the original data (Chai 2009), have content validity that is to varying degrees contingent on history and cohort. For instance, while items on intolerance for homosexuality, prostitution, abortion, and divorce correlate well with other items for grid-ness and represent forms of strong social regulation (high grid-ness) commonplace in the world today, it is certainly possible to conceive of high grid-ness cultures that would instead direct their intolerance towards very different sets of practices. Likewise, it is possible to conceive of forms of strong social integration (high group-ness) that do not involve attachment to family and parents. To address these concerns, in addition to the main grid and group WVS-based measures discussed above, we consider the alternate grid and group measures based on survey questions not tied to specific forms of group-ness and grid-ness.

The following two questions were given to participants along with the demographic questions and were collected through an on-line survey several days before the experiment (see Section 5.3 above):

Using the scale [from 1 to 10] below, indicate to what degree you disagree/agree with each statement provided.

[Anti-Group-alt]

1. "People should sacrifice their own interests for sake of the group"

10. "People should pursue their own interests as individuals"

[Anti-Grid-alt]

1. "People should follow the rules of society"

10. "People should decide for themselves what to do"

While these alternate questions have an advantage of not being tied to specific forms of group-ness and grid-ness, their disadvantage is a greater abstractness and therefore possible negative effect on respondent comprehension.

We first check if WVS-based and alternate measures of grid and group have significant explanatory power for each other. We find that this indeed is the case for both grid and group: in each case, the alternate measure is highly significant in explaining the WVS-measure ($p=0.002$ for group, and $p<0.001$ for grid measures, respectively). To provide further robustness check of the WVS-based measures, we next replicate all regression analyses as presented in Tables 6—9 above, replacing the WVS-based grid and group scores with the alternate grid and group scores. The results of these regression estimations are summarized in Table 10. The table lists, for each regression estimation, the sign and significance level of the estimated coefficients on the alternate grid and group measures.²⁹

[TABLE 10 HERE]

Table 10 suggests that using the alternate grid and group measures as explanatory variables yields the results that are consistent with, but often less significant, than those obtained using the WVS-based measures. For example, as predicted by H2-A, the alternate group measure has a positive effect on offers in the standard ultimatum game, but it lacks significance in its

²⁹ The sign on the grid and group coefficients as presented on Table 10 is for the alternate measures obtained from the answers to the questions above using the transformation of $Group-alt = (10 - Anti-Group-alt)$, and $Grid-alt = (10 - Anti-Grid-alt)$. These measures are aligned with the WVS-based measures, in that higher scores correspond to higher group-ness and grid-ness.

Table 10. Effects of grid and group alternate measures on behavior, by game

Game	Dependent variable	Explanatory variable	
		Group-alt	Grid-alt
Dictator game	Donation, \$0-10	n/s	n/s
Ultimatum game	Offer, \$0-10	(+)**	n/s
	Min. acceptable amount	(--)*	n/s
Convex ultimatum game	Percent offered, 1-99%	n/s	n/s
	Amount divided, \$0-10		
	-- for offers 1--30%	(+)**	n/s
	-- for offers 40--99%	n/s	n/s
Send all-or-none trust game	Trusting probability	n/s	n/s
	Amount returned, \$0-12	n/s	n/s
Regular trust game	Amount trusted, \$0-6	n/s	n/s
	Amount returned		
	-- if trusted \$1-\$2	n/s	n/s
	-- if trusted \$3-\$6	(+)**	n/s

Significance effects by sign. *, **, *** significant at 10, 5, 1 percent level.

effect on donations in the dictation game and offers in the convex ultimatum game. As predicted by H3-B, the alternate group measure has a positive effect on the amount returned in the standard trust game (for those trustees who were entrusted above two dollars), but does not have a significant effect on the trusting behavior of trustors. The alternate grid measure does not show a significant effect on behavior in any game. A lower significance of the results obtained when using the alternate measures is likely due to a higher abstractness and a smaller number of the alternate questions leading to less accurate measurement.

Overall, the behavior estimations using the alternate measures of grid and group never contradict, and in several cases reinforce, the results obtained using the grid-group instruments based on the WVS questions, providing additional support for the validity of the WVS-based instrument.

7 Conclusion

This paper contributes to the studies of culture by experimental economists by introducing the grid-group theory, a prominent cultural model from social and cultural anthropology that has not yet been considered or tested by experimental economists. According to the grid-group theory, behavior may be explained based on two cultural dimensions: grid, which explains norm-based behavior, and group, which explains other-regarding behavior. We further discuss how grid and group characteristics can be measured for each individual using the questions from the World Values Survey. While the measurement instrument was originally proposed by Chai et al. (2009), the methodology is still novel and has not yet been introduced to the experimental economics audience.³⁰ The final and main contribution of this paper is testing the explanatory power of the grid-group theory on a range of commonly-studied experimental games.

We find that grid and group attributes systematically affect behavior in the dictator, ultimatum and trust games in the directions that are consistent with the hypotheses derived from the predictions of the grid-group theory. However, the statistical significance of the effects varies across games. As predicted, in the ultimatum game we get strong evidence (at the significance level of 5 percent) on the positive effect of the group score on the amount sent by proposer, and

³⁰Chai et al (2011b) investigate the effects of grid and group cultural attributes on behavior in laboratory voluntary contributions public good games with punishment. They find that, consistent with the predictions, high-group participants contribute more to the public goods and high-grid participant punish more. However, this work was largely targeted at political scientists, not experimental economists.

on the willingness to accept low offers by responder. We also observe a significant and positive effect of the group score on the amount returned in both variants of the trust game. Further, as predicted, the grid score has a significant negative effect on the amount divided in the convex ultimatum game.³¹ Yet we find only marginal support (at the significance level of 10 percent) for the positive effect of the group score on donations in the dictator game, and positive effect of the grid score on the minimum acceptable amount in the ultimatum games. There is only limited support for the hypothesis that group-ness leads to more trust, while the hypothesis on the effect of grid-ness on the behavior of trustees is not supported overall.

There are several possible explanations why the strength of the empirical support of our hypothesis varies across games. First, the behavior may vary (or not vary enough) due to interactions between grid and group attributes, the issue that we briefly consider by classifying individuals into four cultural types: distributionists (high in group-ness and low in grid-ness), ritualists (low in group-ness and high in grid-ness), collectivists (high in both dimensions) and individualists (low in both dimensions). From the comparison of behavior across the four types, we get strong confirmation of our predictions when we consider two types that are low in grid-ness but differ in group-ness: When compared to individualists (low group-ness, low grid-ness), distributionists (high group-ness, low grid-ness) donate more in the dictator game, offer higher shares of in both ultimatum games, and entrust and return more in both trust games, all as predicted. However, the results are weaker when we consider two groups that are high in grid-ness. Specifically, collectivists (high group-ness, high grid-ness) donate no more in the dictator game and offer no more in ultimatum games than ritualists (low group-ness, high grid-ness). This suggests that there may be additional effects due to interaction of grid and group attributes.

Second, the World Values Survey-based instrument that we use to measure grid and group attributes is likely to be imperfect. The cohort-specificity of the questions, while they may have reasonable validity within the context of a cross-section of populations across the world, could plausibly be less valid for the relatively young and well-educated subjects used in typical economic experiments, failing to capture newer forms of grid-ness and group-ness that are not tied to established mainstream political issues and ideologies. We investigate the validity of the

³¹ The finding that high-grid players return lower amounts irrespective of the amount sent in ultimatum games is consistent with the Hypothesis H2-C for the ultimatum games as long as we allow for norm heterogeneity in our subject pool. However, an alternative explanation of the data is that our high-grid participants in the role of player 2's are spiteful, rather than norm-enforcing. We are grateful to the anonymous Referee for pointing this out. We have insufficient evidence to discriminate between norm heterogeneity and spite as alternative explanations of behavior, and leave this intriguing issue for further research.

WVS-based instrument by replacing it with alternate, context-free measures of grid-ness and group-ness in the analysis of behavior (Section 6.4). The results of this robustness check do not contradict, and often support the conclusions obtained with the main instruments, which we take as evidence for the validity of the WVS-based instrument. While it is beyond the scope of this paper, it would be further useful to investigate the results using original, specially-designed survey items that are both less context-dependent than the WVS items, and at the same time more concrete than our single alternate measures, even if it comes at the cost of not being able to cross-validate such instrument with the existing WVS data.

The analysis of the effects of grid and group on behavior is further enriched by adding citizenship clusters as additional explanatory variables of behavior. Importantly, we find that controlling for citizenship clusters does not eliminate significant effects of the grid-group; in several cases, it makes them more pronounced. This implies that there are variations in the grid and group cultural characteristics that go beyond citizenship clusters. The significance of citizenship cluster effects neither follow, nor contradict our hypotheses on the effects of grid and group, as there may be differences among countries that go beyond grid and group differences. Among the non-grid-group factors that could influence outcomes that were not directly measured, income and experience in anonymous market exchange are among the most plausible. Income could influence perceptions of initial endowment, which in the presence of concave utility functions³² would cause high group-ness individuals with lower incomes to behave more selfishly than similar individuals with higher incomes. Experience in anonymous market exchange could raise expectations of cooperative behavior in experimental settings; see for instance (Henrich et al., 2004, Chap, 1 and 7; Henrich and Henrich 2007, Chap. 6).

In sum, our research suggests a tool for investigating pro-social behavior using general cultural dimensions that were developed in branches of social sciences outside economics, and thus can be applied to a variety of games very different from those explored in this paper. One of the biggest impediments to effective application of richer preference and belief assumptions in modeling rational choice has been the relatively *ad hoc* nature of such assumptions compared to the unity of utility-maximizing models of decision-making. This has been a long-standing problem (see Chai 1997, 2001 chapter 2), but one that has not been greatly alleviated despite booming interest in social and expressive preferences and motivated and cognitively biased beliefs. Operationalization of established general cultural models such as the grid-group model

³² See footnote 10 in Section 3.

for closer integration with rational choice can help address this issue. It will not simply be a matter of developing a suitable theoretical apparatus, but will also require an accretion of methods that will allow theory to be applied within the context of commonplace empirical investigation. This will take time, but this paper is intended in part to be a small part of such accretion.

With its origin and widespread application outside the experimental economics paradigm, the grid-group theory can be used as a way to begin connecting empirical findings derived through non-experimental methodologies with those derived in the laboratory. The survey tool employed here allows to predict and explain behavior in a variety of economically-relevant games. We have demonstrated that the suggested tool has reasonable predictive power although it may be improved further. We leave this task for future work.

Appendix A: GRID/GROUP SURVEY QUESTIONS

Please say, for each of the following, how important it is in your life. Would you say...

	Very Important	Rather Important	Not Very Important	Not at all Important
1. Family	1	2	3	4
2. Friends	1	2	3	4
3. Religion	1	2	3	4

4. With which of these two statements do you tend to agree?

1. Regardless of what the qualities and faults of one's parents are, one must always love and respect them
2. One does not have the duty to respect and love parents who have not earned it by their behavior and attitudes

5. Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people?

1. Most people can be trusted
2. Can't be too careful (have to be very careful)

Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Agree	Neither	Disagree
6. When jobs are scarce, older people should be forced to retire from work early	1	2	3

7. When jobs are scarce, men should have more right to a job than women	1	2	3
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8. Imagine two secretaries, of the same age, doing practically the same job. One finds out that the other earns considerably more than she does. The better paid secretary, however, is quicker, more efficient and more reliable at her job. In your opinion, is it fair or not fair that one secretary is paid more than the other?

1. Fair
2. Not fair

9. There is a lot of discussion about how business and industry should be managed. Which of these four statements comes closest to your opinion?

1. The owners should run their business or appoint the managers
2. The owners and the employees should participate in the selection of managers
3. The government should be the owner and appoint the managers
4. The employees should own the business and should elect the managers

10. People have different ideas about following instructions at work. Some say that one should follow one's superior's instructions even when one does not fully agree with them. Others say that one should follow one's superior's instructions only when one is convinced that they are right. With which of these two opinions do you agree?

1. Should follow instructions
2. Depends
3. Must be convinced first

11. Do you think that a woman has to have children in order to be fulfilled or is this not necessary?

1. Needs children
2. Not necessary

The following items contain a list of various changes in our way of life that might take place in the near future. Please tell me for each one, if it were to happen, whether you think it would be a good thing, a bad thing, or don't you mind?

	Good	Don't mind	Bad
12. Less emphasis on money and material possessions	1	2	3
13. Less importance placed on work in our lives	1	2	3
14. More emphasis on the development of technology	1	2	3
15. Greater respect for authority	1	2	3

For the following questions, please place your views along the accompanying scale. 1 means you agree completely with the first statement; 10 means you agree completely with the second statement; and if your views fall somewhere in between, you can choose any number in between.

16.	1. Private ownership of business and industry should be increased 10. Government ownership of business and industry should be increased								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

17.	1. The government should take more responsibility to ensure that everyone is provided for 10. People should take more responsibility to provide for themselves								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

18. How important is God in your life? Please use this scale to indicate - 10 means very important and 1 means not at all important.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Not at all									Very

Please tell me for each of the following statements whether you think it can always be justified, never be justified, or something in between, using this card.

	Never Justifiable	Always Justifiable
19. Homosexuality	1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 9 / 10	
20. Prostitution	1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 9 / 10	
21. Abortion	1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 9 / 10	
22. Divorce	1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 9 / 10	

Constructing grid/group measures:

We compute grid/group indexes as weighted averages of the above questions, using the following formula (Chai et al. 2009):

Gridscore=((4-Answer[3])/3+(3-Answer[6])/2+(3-Answer[7])/2+(3-Answer[10])/2+(2-Answer[11])/1+(3-Answer[15])/2+(Answer[18]-1)/9+(10-Answer[19])/9+(10-Answer[20])/9+(10-Answer[21])/9+(10-Answer[22])/9)/11;

Groupscore=((4-Answer[1])/3+(4-Answer[2])/3+(2-Answer[4])/1+(2-Answer[5])/1+(Answer[8]-1)/1+(Answer[9]-1)/3+(3-Answer[12])/2+(3-Answer[13])/2+(Answer[14]-1)/2+(Answer[16]-1)/9+(10-Answer[17])/9)/11.

APPENDIX B

Experimental Instructions

one-role treatment

This experiment consists of several parts where you make a series of decisions. In each part you will make one decision in either of two roles. Your role will be determined randomly by computer at the beginning of the experiment. Each time you make a decision you will be matched with different person throughout the experiment. Your earnings will be randomly determined by computer. From all of your decisions two decisions will be randomly chosen as the paid tasks at the end of the session today. Each time you will be matched with completely different person than before. You will never be told the identity of these people during or after the experiment. Since your decision is private we ask that you do not tell anyone your decision either during, or after, the experiment.

Instructions_D (o)

dictator game (one-role)

The Task

In this experiment, each person in the experiment will be randomly matched with another person in this room and will be either in the role of the **Sender** or **Receiver**. The **Sender** will be provided a \$10 and will be matched **anonymously** with another individual in the room, **Receiver**. As a Sender you will be asked how much of the money you want to offer to the Receiver.

The Receiver to whom you sent the offer has no choice and has to accept whatever amount you send.

You will not know the identity of your match. You will not know the choices of the other person whom you are matched with till the very end of the experiment. Your role will be determined randomly at the beginning of the experiment.

Sender

You are a **Sender** and you are given 10 dollars. Your task is to decide on a division of the 10 dollars between you and a **Receiver** by sending some amount of dollars to Receiver and keeping the rest. You can only send whole dollars: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, up to 10.

With 10 dollars available, if you send 2 dollars to the Receiver, you would keep 8 dollars.

If you send 8 dollars to the Receiver, you would keep 2 dollars.

Receiver

If you are a **Receiver**, your task is to accept any offer from **Sender**. With 10 dollars available, if the Sender sends you 3 dollars, you receive 3 dollars and the Sender keeps 7 dollars.

If the Sender sends you 7 dollars, you receive 7 dollars and the Sender keeps 3 dollars.

If you have any questions concerning the instructions feel free to raise your hand and an instructor will assist you.

Please complete the exercise displayed on your computer screen.

Instructions_U1 (o)

standard ultimatum game (one-role)

The Task

In this experiment, each person will be making one decision: as a Proposer or Responder. The **Proposer** will be provided a sum of money and will be matched **anonymously** with another individual in the room, a **Responder**. You will be asked how much of the money you want to offer to this individual.

The Responder to whom you sent the offer will decide on the smallest amount of dollars that he/she is willing to accept.

If the Responder's **smallest acceptable amount** is as least small as the number that the Proposer sends, then the offer is accepted and the Proposer keeps the remaining dollars for herself.

If the Responder's smallest acceptable amount is higher than the proposed offer, then the offer is rejected, and both Proposer and the Responder receive ZERO dollars.

Very Important: The Responder will not see the actual offer made by the Proposer and the Proposer will not see the Responder's smallest acceptable offer.

Proposer task:

Decide on a division of the 10 dollars between you and the Responder by sending some amount of dollars to the Responder and keeping the rest.

Responder task:

Submit the smallest amount of dollars you are willing to accept from the Proposer.

Examples

With 10 dollars available, if the Proposer sends 3 dollars to the Responder and the Responder's **smallest acceptable amount** is 1 dollar, the Proposer keeps 7 dollars and the Responder gets 3 dollars.

With 10 dollars available, if the Proposer sends 6 dollars to the Responder and the Responder's **smallest acceptable amount** is 8 dollars, both the Proposer and the Responder receive ZERO.

Please complete two exercises displayed on your computer screen.

Instructions_U2 (o)

convex ultimatum game (one-role)

In this experiment, you (and everyone else) will be randomly matched with another person in the room.

The task is to divide up to \$10 between you and the person you are matched with. One person will decide how to divide the money. The other person will decide how much money will be divided. How much money you end up with at the end of the experiment depends on the decisions both people in the pair.

This experiment places each of you in two different roles, **Proposer** or **Responder**. Each Proposer chooses a **Dividing Rule**, which determines what percent of the money available will go to the Proposer herself/himself, with the rest going to the Responder. For each possible dividing rule, the Responder decides how much money will actually be divided.

Important: The Proposer chooses the *dividing rule* **before knowing** how many dollars the Responder will choose to divide, and vice-versa.

The Dividing Rule must be chosen by each Proposer from the following table.

A. Proposer chooses a rule by selecting one letter in this column	B. Possible Dividing Rules The rule for dividing money is (pick one):
a	Proposer gets 99% and Responder gets 1%
b	Proposer gets 90% and Responder gets 10%
c	Proposer gets 80% and Responder gets 20%
d	Proposer gets 70% and Responder gets 30%
e	Proposer gets 60% and Responder gets 40%
f	Proposer gets 50% and Responder gets 50%
g	Proposer gets 40% and Responder gets 60%
h	Proposer gets 30% and Responder gets 70%
i	Proposer gets 20% and Responder gets 80%
J	Proposer gets 10% and Responder gets 90%
k	Proposer gets 1% and Responder gets 99%

So, out of all the possible options for how to divide the money, as a Proposer, you *must choose only one* of them.

The **Responder** decides *how many dollars to divide* between that Proposer and yourself. *The Responder can designate from \$0 to \$10 to divide.*

A response must be chosen by each Responder from the following table.

	A. If the Proposer chooses this Dividing Rule then I choose to divide this many dollars
a	Proposer gets 99% and Responder gets 1%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
b	Proposer gets 90% and Responder gets 10%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
c	Proposer gets 80% and Responder gets 20%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
d	Proposer gets 70% and Responder gets 30%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
e	Proposer gets 60% and Responder gets 40%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
f	Proposer gets 50% and Responder gets 50%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
g	Proposer gets 40% and Responder gets 60%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
h	Proposer gets 30% and Responder gets 70%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
i	Proposer gets 20% and Responder gets 80%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
J	Proposer gets 10% and Responder gets 90%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
k	Proposer gets 1% and Responder gets 99%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Example

Suppose the Proposer chose Dividing Rule **h**: "Proposer gets 30% and Responder gets 70%."

Suppose also that the Responder has chosen \$9 on line **h**. We can then calculate the payoff of both people this way:

Proposer: The Dividing Rule chosen by the Proposer says the Proposer gets 30% of each dollar, while the Responder chose to designate \$9 to divide, hence the Proposer gets $$.30 \times 9 = \2.70 .

Responder: The Dividing Rule chosen by the Proposer says the Responder gets 70% of each dollar, while the Responder chose to designate \$9 to divide, hence the Responder gets $$.70 \times 9 = \6.30 .

Are there any questions?

Please complete two exercises displayed on the computer screen.

INSTRUCTIONS_F1 (o)

send all-or-nothing trust game (one-role)

In this experiment, you (and every one else) will be randomly matched with another person in the room.

You will make one decision either as a Sender or a Receiver. Each Sender is given \$6. You then have a choice to send the money to the Receiver with whom you are matched, or to keep the money in which case you earn \$6, and the Receiver earns \$0.

If you decide to send the money to the Receiver, the amount will be **doubled to \$12**, and the Receiver will then be given the opportunity to send a portion of the \$12 back to you, any amount from all \$12 to zero. If you send the money to the Receiver, you have to accept whatever amount the Receiver sends back to you.

If you keep the \$6 instead, the Receiver has no choice and simply accepts \$0.

The Sender decides whether to send money **before knowing** how many dollars the Receiver will send back, and vice-versa.

Sender task:

Decide whether you send \$6 to the other person or keep \$6.

Receiver task:

Decide how much of the \$12 to send back to the Sender if the Sender sends the money to you.

Please complete two exercises displayed on your computer screen.

INSTRUCTIONS_T2 (o)*regular trust game (one-role)*

In this experiment, you (and every one else) will be randomly matched with another person in the room.

This experiment allows everyone to make one decision either as a **Sender** or a **Receiver**. Each Sender is given \$6. The Sender then has the choice to send some, all, or none of the money to the Receiver. If the Sender decides to send none of the money the Sender gets \$6 and the Receiver gets \$0.

If the Sender decides to send the money to the Receiver, the amount sent will be **doubled**, and the Receiver will then be given the opportunity to send a portion of the doubled money back to that Sender, any amount from the total amount to zero. If the Sender sends all or some of the money to the Receiver, the Sender has to accept whatever amount the Receiver sends back to him/her.

The amount of dollars to be sent must be chosen by each **Sender** from the following table.

A. Sender chooses an amount by selecting one letter in this column	B. Possible amount of money to be sent The amount of money to be sent is (pick one):	C. Receiver will receive doubled amount as below
A	0 dollar	0 dollars
B	1 dollar	2 dollars
C	2 dollars	4 dollars
D	3 dollars	6 dollars
E	4 dollars	8 dollars
F	5 dollars	10 dollars
G	6 dollars	12 dollars

So, out of all the possible options for how many dollars to send, as a Sender, you *must choose only one* of them.

The **Receiver** decides *how to divide doubled amount* between the Sender and themselves. *The Receiver can send back to the Sender from \$0 to at most \$12.*

A response must be chosen by the Receiver from the following table.

	If the Sender chooses this amount. . .	Money will be doubled as	. . . then I choose to send this many dollars to the Sender
a	0 dollar	0 dollars	~
b	1 dollar	2 dollars	0 1 2
c	2 dollars	4 dollars	0 1 2 3 4
d	3 dollars	6 dollars	0 1 2 3 4 5 6
e	4 dollars	8 dollars	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
f	5 dollars	10 dollars	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
g	6 dollars	12 dollars	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Important: The Sender decides whether to send money **before knowing** how many dollars the Receiver will send back, and vice-versa.

Sender task:

Decide how many of \$6 to send to the other person.

Receiver task:

For each given amount sent by the Sender, decide how much of the doubled money to send back to this Sender.

Please complete two exercises displayed on your computer screen.

Instructions

two-role treatment

This experiment consists of several parts where you make a series of decisions. In each part you will make two decisions in two roles. You will earn money from both your decisions. From all parts of experiment one part's earnings will be randomly chosen by computer as the paid task at the end of the session today. Each time you will be matched with completely different person than before. You will never be told the identity of these people during or after the experiment. Since your decision is private we ask that you do not tell anyone your decision either during, or after, the experiment.

Instructions_D

dictator game (two-role treatment)

The Task

In this experiment, each person will be randomly matched with another person in this room and will be making two decisions. There are two roles in each task. The **Sender** will be provided \$10 and will be matched **anonymously** with another individual in the room, **Receiver**. As a Sender you will be asked how much of the money you want to offer to the Receiver.

The Receiver to whom you sent the offer has no choice and has to accept whatever amount you send.

Everyone in the experiment is making an offer to another person in the first stage and accepting an offer from another person in the second stage. In both cases you will be matched with a **different person**. You will not know the identity of the Sender or Receiver in your match. You will not know the choices of the other person whom you are matched with till the very end of the experiment.

Sender

You are a **Sender** and you are given 10 dollars. Your task is to decide on a division of the 10 dollars between you and a **Receiver** by sending some amount of dollars to Receiver and keeping the rest. You can only send whole dollars: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, up to 10.

With 10 dollars available, if you send 2 dollars to the Receiver, you would keep 8 dollars.

If you send 8 dollars to the Receiver, you would keep 2 dollars.

Receiver

If you are a **Receiver**, your task is to accept any offer from **Sender**. With 10 dollars available, if the Sender sends you 3 dollars, you receive 3 dollars and the Sender keeps 7 dollars.

If the Sender sends you 7 dollars, you receive 7 dollars and the Sender keeps 3 dollars.

If you have any questions concerning the instructions feel free to raise your hand and an instructor will assist you.

Please complete the exercise displayed on your computer screen.

Instructions_U1

standard ultimatum game (two-role)

The Task

In this experiment, each person will be making two decisions: as a Proposer and Responder. The **Proposer** will be provided a \$10 and will be matched **anonymously** with another individual in the room, a **Responder**. You will be asked how much of the money you want to offer to this individual.

The Responder to whom you sent the offer will decide on the smallest amount of dollars that he/she is willing to accept.

If the Responder's **smallest acceptable amount** is as least small as the number that the Proposer sends, then the offer is accepted and the Proposer keeps the remaining dollars for herself.

If the Responder's smallest acceptable amount is higher than the proposed offer, then the offer is rejected, and both Proposer and the Responder receive ZERO dollars.

You will make both decisions in sequence. Very Important: Everyone in the experiment is making an offer to one person in the first stage and responding to the offer of a completely **different person** in the second stage. The offer you receive will come from a person different from the one to whom you sent your offer in the first stage. The Responder will not see the actual offer made by the Proposer and the Proposer will not see the Responder's smallest acceptable offer.

Proposer task:

Decide on a division of the 10 dollars between you and the Responder by sending some amount of dollars to the Responder and keeping the rest.

Responder task:

Submit the smallest amount of dollars you are willing to accept from the Proposer.

Examples

With 10 dollars available, if the Proposer sends 3 dollars to the Responder and the Responder's **smallest acceptable amount** is 1 dollar, the Proposer keeps 7 dollars and the Responder gets 3 dollars.

With 10 dollars available, if the Proposer sends 6 dollars to the Responder and the Responder's **smallest acceptable amount** is 8 dollars, both the Proposer and the Responder receive ZERO.

Please complete two exercises displayed on your computer screen.

Instructions_U2

convex ultimatum game (two-role)

In this experiment, you (and everyone else) will be randomly matched with another person in the room.

The task is to divide up to \$10 between you and the person you are matched with. One person will decide how to divide the money. The other person will decide how much money will be divided. How much money you end up with at the end of the experiment depends on the decisions both people in the pair.

This experiment places each of you in two different roles, **Proposer** and **Responder**. Each Proposer chooses a **Dividing Rule**, which determines what percent of the money available will go to the Proposer herself/himself, with the rest going to the Responder. For each possible dividing rule, the Responder decides how much money will actually be divided.

Everyone will act once each as a Proposer and as a Responder, but the person you are interacting with will be **different** each time.

Important: The Proposer chooses the *dividing rule* **before knowing** how many dollars the Responder will choose to divide, and vice-versa.

The Dividing Rule must be chosen by each Proposer from the following table.

A. Proposer chooses a rule by selecting one letter in this column	B. Possible Dividing Rules The rule for dividing money is (pick one):
a	Proposer gets 99% and Responder gets 1%
b	Proposer gets 90% and Responder gets 10%
c	Proposer gets 80% and Responder gets 20%
d	Proposer gets 70% and Responder gets 30%
e	Proposer gets 60% and Responder gets 40%
f	Proposer gets 50% and Responder gets 50%
g	Proposer gets 40% and Responder gets 60%
h	Proposer gets 30% and Responder gets 70%
i	Proposer gets 20% and Responder gets 80%
J	Proposer gets 10% and Responder gets 90%
k	Proposer gets 1% and Responder gets 99%

So, out of all the possible options for how to divide the money, as a Proposer, you *must choose only one* of them.

The **Responder** decides *how many dollars to divide* between that Proposer and yourself. *The Responder can designate from \$0 to \$10 to divide.*

A response must be chosen by each Responder from the following table.

	A. If the Proposer chooses this Dividing Rule then I choose to divide this many dollars
a	Proposer gets 99% and Responder gets 1%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
b	Proposer gets 90% and Responder gets 10%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
c	Proposer gets 80% and Responder gets 20%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
d	Proposer gets 70% and Responder gets 30%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
e	Proposer gets 60% and Responder gets 40%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
f	Proposer gets 50% and Responder gets 50%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
g	Proposer gets 40% and Responder gets 60%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
h	Proposer gets 30% and Responder gets 70%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
i	Proposer gets 20% and Responder gets 80%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
J	Proposer gets 10% and Responder gets 90%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
k	Proposer gets 1% and Responder gets 99%	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

While you are making your first choice of how you wish to divide the money with a randomly selected Responder, a different person is deciding how to divide another sum of money with you. When, in the next stage, you are specifying the amount of money you wish to be split for each possible dividing rule, someone (**not the same as the first person**) is also making the same decision about how to react to the dividing rule you have already chosen.

Example

Suppose the Proposer chose Dividing Rule **h**: "Proposer gets 30% and Responder gets 70%."

Suppose also that the Responder has chosen \$9 on line **h**. We can then calculate the payoff of both people this way:

Proposer: The Dividing Rule chosen by the Proposer says the Proposer gets 30% of each dollar, while the Responder chose to designate \$9 to divide, hence the Proposer gets $.30 \times \$9 = \2.70 .

Responder: The Dividing Rule chosen by the Proposer says the Responder gets 70% of each dollar, while the Responder chose to designate \$9 to divide, hence the Responder gets $.70 \times \$9 = \6.30 .

Are there any questions? Please complete two exercises displayed on the computer screen.

INSTRUCTIONS_F1

send all-or-nothing trust game (two-role)

In this experiment, you (and every one else) will be randomly matched with another person in the room.

You will make one decision in each of two roles, Sender and Receiver. Everyone will make their first decision as a Sender. Each Sender is given \$6. You then have a choice to send the money to the Receiver with whom you are matched, or to keep the money in which case you earn \$6, and the Receiver earns \$0.

If you decide to send the money to the Receiver, the amount will be **doubled to \$12**, and the Receiver will then be given the opportunity to send a portion of the \$12 back to you, any amount from all \$12 to zero. If you send the money to the Receiver, you have to accept whatever amount the Receiver sends back to you.

If you keep the \$6 instead, the Receiver has no choice and simply accepts \$0.

You will make one decision in both roles, as a Sender and as a Receiver. First you make a decision as Sender towards a Receiver. Next you make a decision in the role of a Receiver and will receive from an anonymous Sender. While you are deciding whether to send money to the Receiver, **a completely different person** is deciding whether to send money to you. The Sender decides whether to send money **before knowing** how many dollars the Receiver will send back, and vice-versa.

Sender task:

Decide whether you send \$6 to the other person or keep \$6.

Receiver task:

Decide how much of the \$12 to send back to the Sender if the Sender sends the money to you.

Please complete two exercises displayed on your computer screen.

INSTRUCTIONS_T2

regular trust game (two-role)

In this experiment, you (and every one else) will be randomly matched with another person in the room.

This experiment allows everyone to make two decisions in each of two roles, **Sender** or **Receiver**. Each Sender is given \$6. The Sender then has the choice to send some, all, or none of the money to the Receiver. If the Sender decides to send none of the money the Sender gets \$6 and the Receiver gets \$0.

If the Sender decides to send the money to the Receiver, the amount sent will be **doubled**, and the Receiver will then be given the opportunity to send a portion of the doubled money back to that Sender, any amount from the total amount to zero. If the Sender sends all or some of the money to the Receiver, the Sender has to accept whatever amount the Receiver sends back to him/her.

The amount of dollars to be sent must be chosen by each **Sender** from the following table.

A. Sender chooses an amount by selecting one letter in this column	B. Possible amount of money to be sent The amount of money to be sent is (pick one):	C. Receiver will receive doubled amount as below
A	0 dollar	0 dollars
B	1 dollar	2 dollars
C	2 dollars	4 dollars
D	3 dollars	6 dollars
E	4 dollars	8 dollars
F	5 dollars	10 dollars
G	6 dollars	12 dollars

So, out of all the possible options for how many dollars to send, as a Sender, you *must choose only one* of them.

The **Receiver** decides *how to divide doubled amount* between the Sender and themselves. *The Receiver can send back to the Sender from \$0 to at most \$12.*

A response must be chosen by the Receiver from the following table.

	If the Sender chooses this amount. . .	Money will be doubled as	. . . then I choose to send this many dollars to the Sender
a	0 dollar	0 dollars	~
b	1 dollar	2 dollars	0 1 2
c	2 dollars	4 dollars	0 1 2 3 4
d	3 dollars	6 dollars	0 1 2 3 4 5 6
e	4 dollars	8 dollars	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
f	5 dollars	10 dollars	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
g	6 dollars	12 dollars	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Important: The Sender decides whether to send money **before knowing** how many dollars the Receiver will send back, and vice-versa. You will make decisions in both roles in sequence. First you make decision in the role of Sender and send to a Receiver. Next you make a decision in the role of a Receiver and will be matched with a **completely different person in the role of a Sender**.

Sender task:

Decide how much of \$6 to send to the other person.

Receiver task:

For each given amount sent by the Sender, decide how much of the doubled money to send back to this Sender.

Please complete two exercises displayed on your computer screen.

Screenshot

Your ID# 1					Remaining time [sec]: 59
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PART 5: stage 1

Decision Screen for the SENDER Role

You are a Sender.

If you keep all the money (sending none), you will get \$6

If you send some or all of the money to the Receiver, it will be doubled and you may get some portion of the new amount or zero depending on the Receiver's decision

Please specify an amount to be sent to the Receiver: none, some or all.

- None. I keep \$6.
- I send \$1, it doubles to \$2
- I send \$2, it doubles to \$4
- I send \$3, it doubles to \$6
- I send \$4, it doubles to \$8
- I send \$5, it doubles to \$10
- I send \$6, it doubles to \$12

OK

Help
Suppose you are a Sender. Choose one and only one alternative from the above options.
Please select by clicking with the mouse one alternative, then press "OK", in order to continue.

APPENDIX C

Pre-game exercises (Game Testers)

Dictator game:

Tester for the Part 1

Please complete the following exercise

Example: if the Sender offers \$4 out of \$10 to be allocated to the Receiver, then:

Sender gets	Correct answer: \$6
Receiver gets.....	Correct answer: \$4.

Ultimatum game:

Tester for the Part 2

Please complete the following exercises

Example 1: if the Proposer offers \$6 out of \$10 to be allocated to the Responder and the smallest amount the Responder is willing to accept \$7, then:

Proposer gets	Correct answer: \$0
Responder gets.....	Correct answer: \$0

Example 2: if the Proposer offers \$8 out of \$10 to be allocated to the Responder and the smallest amount the Responder is willing to accept \$4, then:

Proposer gets	Correct answer: \$2
Responder gets.....	Correct answer: \$8

Convex Ultimatum game:

Tester for the Part 3

Please complete the following exercises

Example 1: Suppose the Proposer chooses: Proposer gets 50% and Responder gets 50% and for this Dividing rule the Responder chooses to divide \$10, then:

Proposer gets	Correct answer: \$5
Responder gets.....	Correct answer: \$5

Example 2: Suppose the Proposer chooses: Proposer gets 10% and Responder gets 90% and for this Dividing rule the Responder chooses to divide \$0, then:

Proposer gets Correct answer: \$0

Responder gets..... Correct answer: \$0.

Trust game with send-all-or-nothing choice for Sender:

Tester for the Part 4

Please complete the following exercises

Example 1: if the Sender keeps \$6, then:

Sender gets Correct answer: \$6

Receiver gets..... Correct answer: \$0

Example 2: if the Sender sends money to the Receiver, money will be doubled to \$12 and if the Receiver sends back to the Sender \$5, then:

Sender gets Correct answer: \$5

Receiver gets..... Correct answer: \$7

Regular Trust game:

Tester for the Part 5

Please complete the following exercises

Example 1: if the Sender keeps \$6, then:

Sender gets Correct answer: \$6

Receiver gets..... Correct answer: \$0

Example 2: if the Sender sends \$3 to the Receiver, money will be doubled to \$6 and if the Receiver sends back to the Sender \$1, then:

Sender gets Correct answer: \$4

Receiver gets..... Correct answer: \$5

**APPENDIX D:
Demographic and Alternate Grid-Group questions (online survey)**

Alternate Grid/Group Questions

Directions: Using the scale below, indicate to what degree you disagree/agree with each statement provided.

1. "People should sacrifice their own interests for sake of the group"

10. "People should pursue their own interests as individuals"

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

1. "People should follow the rules of society"

10. "People should decide for themselves what to do"

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Demographic Questions

- Are you female or male?

Female/Male

- What is your class standing at the university?

Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior/Masters's/PhD JD MD/ Faculty Staff

- In which year you were born?

Please provide answer for the following questions. Leave it blank if you don't want to answer these questions.

Your current citizenship? If you have dual citizenship, please name both countries.

In which country were you born?

With what country do you identify yourself most strongly?

With which country do you identify yourself with the most strongly? If you cannot single out one, please specify each country with which you identify most strongly.

Which language is your first language (the one you became fluent in first)?

What language is the one you currently speak most frequently in everyday conversation?

What is your religion? Where relevant, please list both your religion and your denomination or organization within the religion. If you have no religion, please specify as well. Add additional explanation as you feel this necessary. Leave it blank if you don't want to answer this question.

Ethnic groups refer to particular peoples, tribes, or castes tied together by common characteristics such as race, religion, language, and/or region of origin. **Do you identify with any particular ethnic group or groups within your nation or country? If so, please list the group or groups.** Add additional explanation as you feel this necessary. Leave it blank if you don't want to answer this question.

Your name. (Your name is needed to confirm you have completed the survey in order to admit you into the experiment and pay you in the lab for your participation. Your name will not be publicly associated with the responses that you give on this survey, which will remain confidential.)

Your email address:

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Figure captions

Figure 1. Cultural Values: Grid and Group Characteristics, by Typology

Figure 2. Dictator and Ultimatum games: Percent offered by player 1, by Typology.

Figure 3. Convex Ultimatum game: Amount divided by player 2, by Typology

Figure 4. Trust game: Percentage of player 1 sent, out of \$6, by Typology

Figure 5. Trust game: Percentage returned by player 2, by Typology