

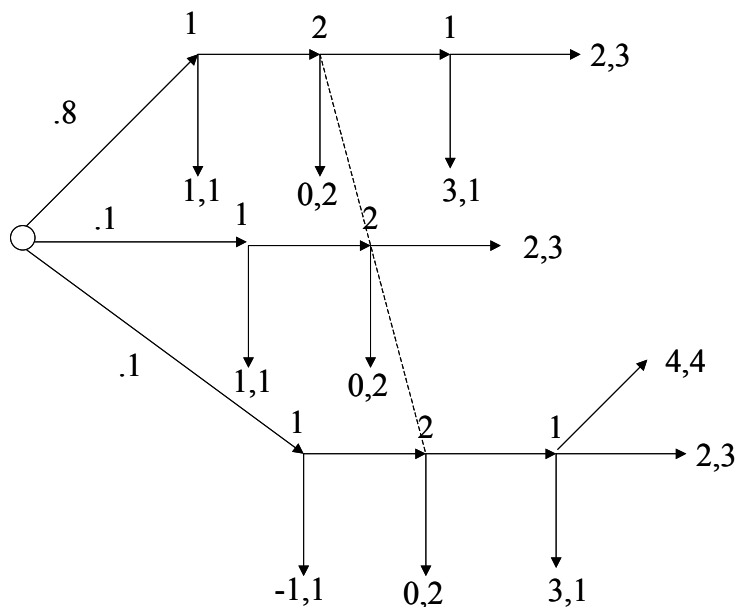
14.12 Game Theory

Fall 2002

Problem Set 5

Due on 12/2

1. Compute all the perfect Bayesian equilibria of the following game.



2. Consider the entry deterrence game, where an Entrant decides whether to enter the market; if he enters the Incumbent decides whether to Fight or Accommodate. We consider a game where Incumbent's payoff from the Fight is private information, the entry deterrence game is repeated twice and the discount rate is $\delta = 0.9$. The payoff vectors for the stage game are $(0,2)$ if the Entrant does not enter, $(-1, a)$ if he enters and the Incumbent Fights; and $(1,1)$ if he enters and the Incumbent accommodates, where the first entry in each parenthesis is the payoff for the entrant. Here, a can be either -1 or 2 , and is privately known by the Incumbent. Entrants believes that $a = -1$ with probability $\pi = .9$; and everything described up to here is common knowledge. Find the perfect Bayesian Equilibrium.
3. Consider a buyer and a seller. The seller owns an object, whose value for himself is 0 . The value of the object for the buyer is $v \in \{1, 2\}$. The seller believes that $v = 2$ with probability $\pi = 0.8$, while the buyer knows what v is. We have two dates, $t = 0, 1$. The players discount the future payoffs with $\delta = .9$. Hence, if they trade at $t = 0$ with price p , the payoffs of seller and the buyer are p and $v - p$, respectively, while these payoffs would be $0.9p$ and $0.9(v - p)$, respectively, if they traded at $t = 1$. If they do not trade at any of these dates, each gets 0 . For the two bargaining procedures below, find the perfect Bayesian Nash equilibrium of the game in which all these are common knowledge.

- (a) At $t = 0$, the buyer offers a price p_0 . If the seller accepts, trade occurs at price p_0 . If the seller rejects, at $t = 1$, the seller sets another price p_1 . If the buyer accepts the price, the trade occurs at price p_1 ; otherwise they do not trade.
- (b) At $t = 0$, the seller offers a price p_0 . If the buyer accepts, trade occurs at price p_0 . If the buyer rejects, at $t = 1$, the buyer sets another price p_1 . If the seller accepts the price, the trade occurs at price p_1 ; otherwise they do not trade.

4. Gibbons 4.3.a.

5. Gibbons 4.4.