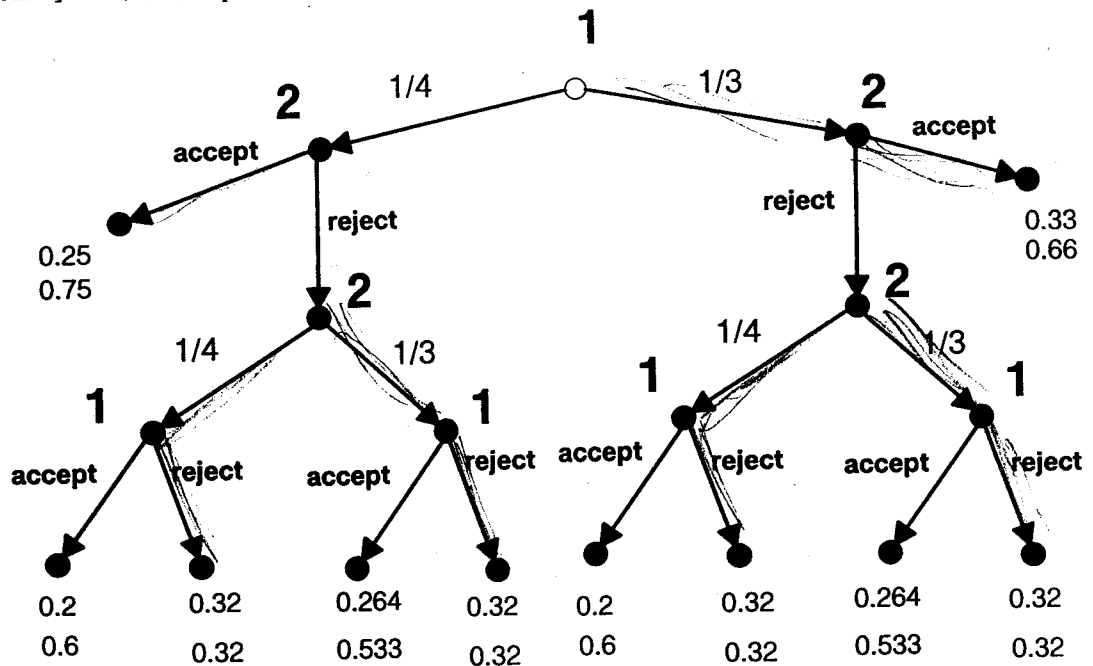


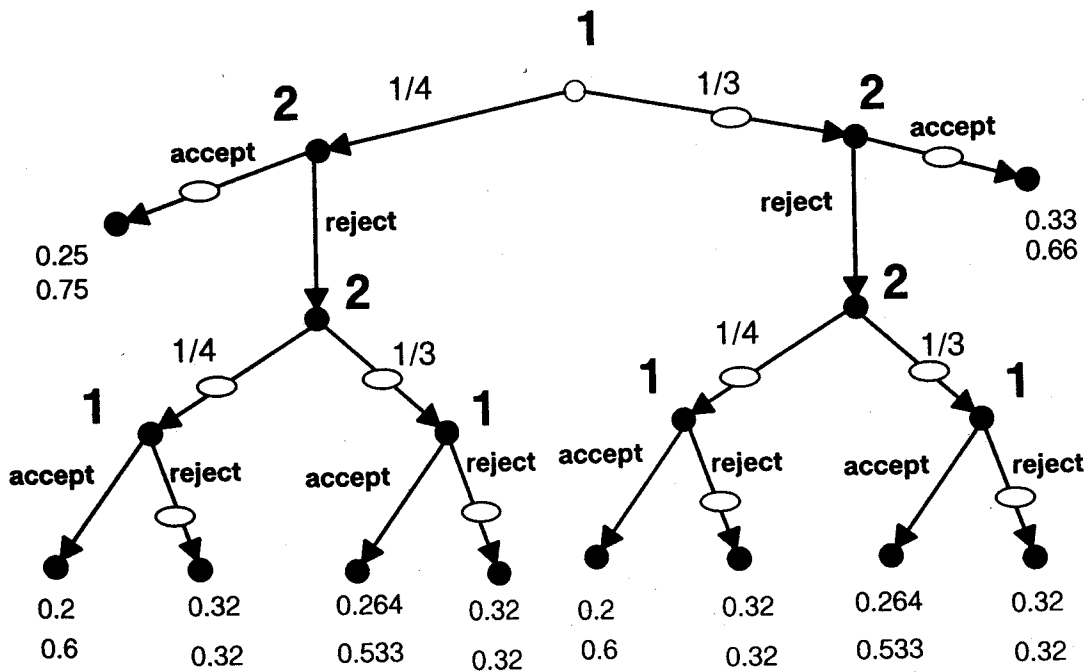
3. [35 points] Player 1 and Player 2 bargain over one dollar. They take turns making offers: first Player 1 makes a proposal that Player 2 can accept or reject; if 2 rejects then 2 makes a proposal that 1 can accept or reject and then the game ends. Each offer takes one period, and the players are impatient: they discount payoffs received in later periods by the factor  $d$  per period (where  $0 < d < 1$ ), so that  $\$x$  received in period 1 are worth  $x$  but  $\$x$  received in period 2 are worth only  $xd$  and  $\$x$  received in period 3 are worth  $xd^2$ . Here is a more detailed description of the game.

- (1a) At the beginning of the first period, Player 1 proposes to take a share  $s_1$  of the dollar, leaving  $(1 - s_1)$  for Player 2, where  $s_1$  can be either  $\frac{1}{4}$  or  $\frac{1}{3}$ .
- (1b) Player 2 either accepts the offer – in which case the game ends with Player 1 receiving  $\$s_1$  and Player 2 receiving  $\$(1 - s_1)$  – or rejects the offer – in which case play continues to the second period.
- (2a) At the beginning of the second period (if any), Player 2 proposes that Player 1 take a share  $s_2$  of the dollar, leaving  $(1 - s_2)$  for Player 2, where again  $s_2$  can be either  $\frac{1}{4}$  or  $\frac{1}{3}$ .
- (2b) Player 1 either accepts the offer – in which case the game ends with Player 1 receiving  $\$s_2$  and Player 2 receiving  $\$(1 - s_2)$  – or rejects the offer – in which case the game proceeds to the third period.
- (3) At the beginning of the third period (if any), each player receives  $\$\frac{1}{2}$ .
- (a) Represent this game as an extensive game with perfect information, assuming that  $d = 0.8$ . [20 points]
- (b) Find the backward induction solution. [10 points]
- (c) Write down one of the many possible strategies for Player 1 [before you answer this question pause for a moment and remind yourself of the definition of strategy for an extensive game]. [5 points]

3. [35 points] (a) [20 points]



(b) [10 points] The backward-induction solution is shown by ovals marking the best choice(s) for each player at every node. Thus Player 1 will offer  $1/3$  and Player 2 will accept.



(c) [5 points] Player 1 has five decision nodes hence a strategy must consist of 5 instructions. A possible strategy is: offer  $1/4$ , if offered  $1/4$  and 2 rejected and couteroffered  $1/4$  accept, if offered  $1/4$  and 2 rejected and couteroffered  $1/3$  reject, if offered  $1/3$  and 2 rejected and couteroffered  $1/4$  reject, if offered  $1/3$  and 2 rejected and couteroffered  $1/3$  accept.