

# Feedback — In-Video Quizzes Week 7

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## Question 1

### 7-4 Analyzing Bayesian Games

In the following two-player Bayesian game, the payoffs to player 2 depend on whether 2 is a friendly player (with probability  $p$ ) or a foe (with probability  $1 - p$ ). See the following payoff matrices for details.

<b>Friend</b>	Left	Right
Left	3,1	0,0
Right	2,1	1,0

with probability  $p$ .

<b>Foe</b>	Left	Right
Left	3,0	0,1
Right	2,0	1,1

with probability  $1 - p$ .

Player 2 knows if he/she is a friend or a foe, but player 1 doesn't know. If player 2 uses a strategy of Left when a friend and Right when a foe, what is true about player 1's expected utility?

Your Answer	Score	Explanation
<input checked="" type="radio"/> b) It is $3p$ when 1 chooses Left;	✓ 1.00	
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### Question Explanation

(b) is true.

- If 1 chooses Left, with probability  $p$  player 2 is a friend and chooses Left and then 1 earns 3, and with probability  $(1 - p)$  player 2 is a foe and chooses Right and then 1 earns 0. Thus, the expected payoff is  $3p + 0(1 - p) = 3p$ .

## Question 2

## 7-5 Analyzing Bayesian Games: Another Example

Consider the conflict game:

Strong	Fight	Not
Fight	1,-2	2,-1
Not	-1,2	0,0



with probability  $p$

Weak	Fight	Not
Fight	-2,1	2,-1
Not	-1,2	0,0

with probability  $1 - p$

Let  $p^*$  be the threshold such that **player 1 fights when strong and doesn't fight when weak** then: if  $p > p^*$ , player 2 prefers 'Not'; if  $p < p^*$ , player 2 prefers 'Fight'. For instance, in the lecture  $p^*$  was  $2/3$ .

What is  $p^*$  in this modified game? (Hint: Write down the payoff of 2 when choosing Fight and Not Fight. Equalize these two payoffs to get  $p^*$ ):

Your Answer	Score	Explanation
 c) $2/3$	 1.00	
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### Question Explanation

(c) is true.

- Conditional on 1 fighting when strong and not fighting when weak, the payoff of 2 when choosing Not is  $-1p + 0(1 - p)$  and the payoff of 2 when choosing Fight is  $(-2)p + 2(1 - p)$ .
- Comparing these two payoffs, 2 is just indifferent when  $-1p + 0(1 - p) = (-2)p + 2(1 - p)$ , thus  $p^* = 2/3$ , above which 2 prefers Not and below which 2 prefers to Fight.