



DECISION ANALYSIS

Action you can take -

Small and large

State of nature - what competitor can do

Small and large

→ 9 possibilities

Decision table

Action	State of nature			Security level
	Small	Medium	Large	
Small	12000	10000	4000	max least utility → number → consequences of utility
Medium	11000	12000	2000	
Large	18000	12000	0	

Decision criteria

1. Minimax maximum - "better safe than sorry" - Run Small campaign - action - with Security level - 4000

2. Hurwicz optimism-pessimism index $\alpha \in [0, 1]$

$\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$ optimism-pessimism index
 $\alpha = 0$ pessimistic
 $\alpha = 1$ optimistic

$= \alpha \times \text{Sec. Lev.} + (1 - \alpha) \times \text{Opt. level}$
 Action - large campaign with Opt-Pess index = 9000

	Optimistic	Optimism-Pessimism index	Pessimistic
Small	12000	8000 $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$	4000
Med	12000	7000	2000
Large	18000	9000	0

3. Laplace's principle of indifferent reason - Action - Large with an average value of 10000

4. Savage's minimax regret

Table of regrets:

	Small	Medium	Large	Worst regret
Small	6000	2000	0	6000
Medium	8000	0	2000	8000
Large	0	0	4000	4000

Action - Large

regret = best consequence for Sec of nature - utility

	very good	good	average	bad	very bad	security	opt. red.	opt. paid. index
voluntary redundancy	300	200	140	110	100	100	300	240
early retirement	200	180	160	140	120	120	200	176
hiring freeze	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150

Average	170
Voluntary	180
Early ret.	160
hiring	150

Worst maximum \rightarrow $\text{index} = 150 = \text{hiring freeze} = \text{Action}$

Hurwicz $\rightarrow \alpha = 0.3$ $\text{Action} = \text{voluntary redundancy} = 240$

Laplace's principle of indifference $\text{Action} = \text{voluntary redundancy} = 180$

Savage minimum regret

	very good	good	average	bad	v. bad	worst regret
voluntary	0	0	20	40	50	50
early ret.	100	20	0	10	30	100
hiring	150	50	10	0	0	150
	300	200	160	150	150	

Action voluntary - best consequence for state of nature (50)

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scales of nature

company	worse	no change	better	Security level	Optimism level	Opto-pessim index	Average
Amalgamated	-3m	2	8	-3	8	2.5	7/3 2.3
Allied	-1	4	8	-1	8	3.5	11/3 3.6
National	-3	1	12	-3	12	4.5	10/3 3.3
	7	7	28				
	-1-0	4	12				

Decision Criteria:

1. Wadd's maximum criterion = Choose Allied max security level of -1m
2. Hurwicz's optimism/pessimism index = $\alpha \times \text{Security level} + (1-\alpha) \times \text{Optimism level}$
 Choose National with op/pes/index of +4.5m

3. Savage's minimax regret criterion:

	worse	no change	better	Worst regret
Amalgamated	-1-2	2	4	-2
Allied	-1-0	0	4	0
National	-4-2	3	0	-2

Amalgamated or National Allied

4. Laplace's principle of indifference Action = Allied = 11/3

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1. coin & die

$P(\text{head and } 6)$

$P(\text{head}) \times P(6 | \text{head})$

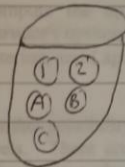
✓ independent event!

$P(\text{head}) \times P(6)$

$$\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{12}$$

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no replacement



2 choice

ball not returned

$P(\text{number and letter})$

NOT INDEPENDENT

$$= P(\text{number}) \times P(\text{letter} | \text{number})$$

$$\frac{2}{5} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{6}{20} = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$P(\text{letter and number}) = P(\text{letter}) \times P(\text{number} | \text{letter})$$

$$= \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{2}{4} = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$P(x \text{ and } y) = P(x) \times P(y | x) = P(x) \times P(x | y)$$

15/10/12 $P(\text{either number then letter})$ or $(\text{letter and the number})$

$$= P(\text{number}) \times P(\text{letter} | \text{number}) + P(\text{letter}) \times P(\text{number} | \text{letter}) - P(\text{number and letter and letter and number})$$

$$= \frac{3}{10} + \frac{3}{10} - \frac{0}{10} = \frac{6}{10} = \frac{3}{5}$$

Sample Space

(1, 2)	(2, 1)	(A, 1)	(B, 1)	(C, 1)
(1, A)	(2, A)	(A, 2)	(B, 2)	(C, 2)
(1, B)	(2, B)	(A, B)	(B, A)	(C, A)
(1, C)	(2, C)	(A, C)	(B, C)	(C, B)

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Scheme:	states of nature					Security level	optimism lev	opt/pst/mid	avg
	v. bad	bad	average	good	v. good				
voluntary red	100	110	140	200	300	100	300	240	170
early retrain	120	140	160	180	200	120	200	176	160
hiring freeze	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150	150
	150	150	160	200	300				

1. Welford's maximum criterion = 150 = hiring freeze 150 security level

2. Hurwicz's optimism/pessimism index = $\alpha \times \text{Security level} + (1-\alpha) \times \text{optimism}$
 choose voluntary redundancy optimism index of 0.2

3. Savage's minimax regret criterion =

	v. bad	bad	average	good	v. good	worst regret
voluntary	50	40	10	0	0	50
early	30	10	0	20	100	100
freeze	0	0	10	50	150	150

Action = choose voluntary redundancy = worst regret of 50

4. Laplace's principle of insufficient reason:

Action = voluntary redundancy = 170 avg

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Technology	Security	redundancy	hire	freeze
Optim	5	5.5	6	
Intense	4.5	7	4.8	
More	4	6	5.5	

1. Welford's maximum = Action

2. Hurwicz's optimism

3. Savage's

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manufacturing site:	favorable	unfavorable	neither	Security level	optimistic level	opt. pessimistic	Average
China	5	5.5	6	5.5	5	5.5	5.5
Indonesia	4.5	7	4.8	4.5	4.5	5.75	5.43
Morocco	4	6	5.5	4	4	5	5.16
	4	5.5	4.8				

1. Wald's "minimax" = Action = ^{intermediate} Morocco Security level of 4 million china or morocco

2. Hurwicz's optimistic pessimism index = $\alpha \times \text{sec level} + (1-\alpha) \times \text{opt level}$
= Morocco = 5M

3. Savage minimax regret

	fav	state of nature unfavorable	neither	worst regret
China	1	0	1.2	1.2
Indonesia	0.5	1.5	0	1.5
Morocco	0	0.5	0.7	0.7

Action = Morocco with 0.7

4. Laplace's principle of insufficient reason

(choose Morocco with average of 5.16)

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Action	State of nature		Competitor
	S	M	L
S	12000	10000	40000 4000
M	10000	12000	20000 2000
L	18000	17000	0
Probability	0.5	0.3	0.2

$$EV_{\text{Small}} = 12000(0.5) + 10000(0.3) + 4000(0.2) = 9800$$

$$EV_{\text{Medium}} = 10000(0.5) + 12000(0.3) + 2000(0.2) = 9000$$

$$EV_{\text{Large}} = 12600 \text{ optimal decision}$$

Optimal decision is to run a large campaign $EV(\text{decision}) = 12600$

$$EV \text{ given Perfect Information (PI)} = 18000 \times 0.5 + 12000 \times 0.3 + 4000 \times 0.2 = 13400$$

$$EV \text{ of PI} = EV \text{ given PI} - EV \text{ given no info}$$

$$= 13400 - 12600$$

$$= 800 \text{ pay no more than that for inside info}$$

Proport decision

action	event	G	B	EV optimal
apartment		50000	30000	$50000 \times 0.6 + 30000 \times 0.4 = 42000$
office		10000	-40000	$EV_{\text{office}} = 10000 \times 0.6 + (-40000) \times 0.4 = 4000$
warehouse		20000	10000	$EV_{\text{warehouse}} = 20000 \times 0.6 + 10000 \times 0.4 = 22000$
		0.6	0.4	Optimal decision = 4000 = office

$$EV \text{ given PI} = 10000 \times 0.6 + 20000 \times 0.4$$

$$6000 + 12000 = 18000$$

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$$1 \quad P(B|A) = 0.1 \times 0.04 = 0.004 \quad \frac{P(A) + P(B|A)}{P(B)}$$

$$P(\text{not } B|A) = 0.1 \times 0.96 = 0.096$$

$$2.6 \quad P(\text{not defective} | \text{passed test}) = 0.95 \times 0.97 \text{ or } 0.95 \times 0.05$$

$$0.9215 + 0.0475$$

$$= 0.969 = 96.9\% \text{ close } 92.15\%$$

$$3 \quad P(\text{defective} | \text{passed test}) = 0.97 \times 0.05 \text{ or } 0.05 \times 0.05$$

$$0.0485 + 0.0025$$

$$= 0.051 = 5.1\% \text{ close } 4.85\%$$

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accident prob = 20%	✓ accident 0.3
not prob = 80%	✓ no accident 0.7
	✓ acc 0.1
	✓ no acc 0.9

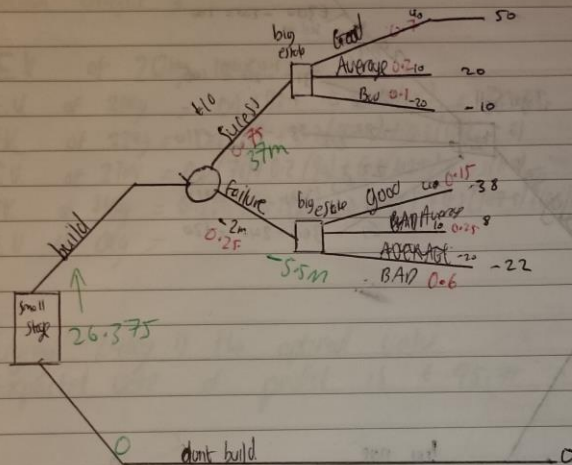
$$\text{Probability of accident} = 0.2 \times 0.3 + 0.8 \times 0.1$$

$$0.06 + 0.08 = 0.14 = 14\% \text{ close}$$

$$P(\text{no accident} | \text{not accident prob}) = 0.8 \times 0.9 = 0.72 = 72\% \text{ close}$$

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$$E.V. \text{ of (big estate / Pilot Success)} = 50 \times 0.7 + 20 \times 0.2 + (-20) \times 0.1$$

$$35 + 4 + (-2) = 37 \text{ million}$$

$$E.V. \text{ of (big estate / Pilot Failure)} = 38 \times 0.15 + 0.25(8) + 0.6(-22)$$

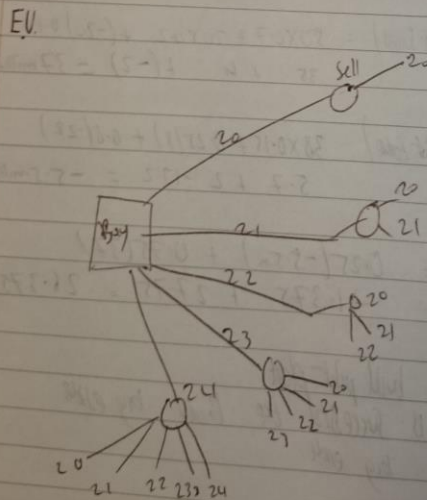
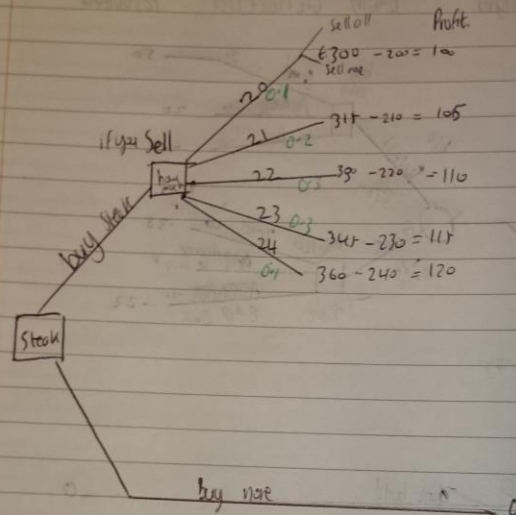
$$5.7 + 2 - 13.2 = -5.5 \text{ million}$$

$$E.V. \text{ build small stage} = 0.25(-5.5) + 0.75(37)$$

$$-1.375 + 27.75 = 26.375 \text{ million}$$

Optimal decision is build pilot plant
If small stage is successful the Build big estate
else don't build a big estate

$$E.V. \text{ of optimal decision} = 37 \text{ million}$$



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Decision analysis 3

$$E.V \text{ of } 20ky = 100 \times 0.1 = 10$$

$$E.V \text{ of } 21ky = 0.1 \times 92.5 + 0.2(105) = 30.25$$

$$E.V. \text{ of } 22ky = 0.1(85) + 0.2(97.5) + 0.3(110) = 61$$

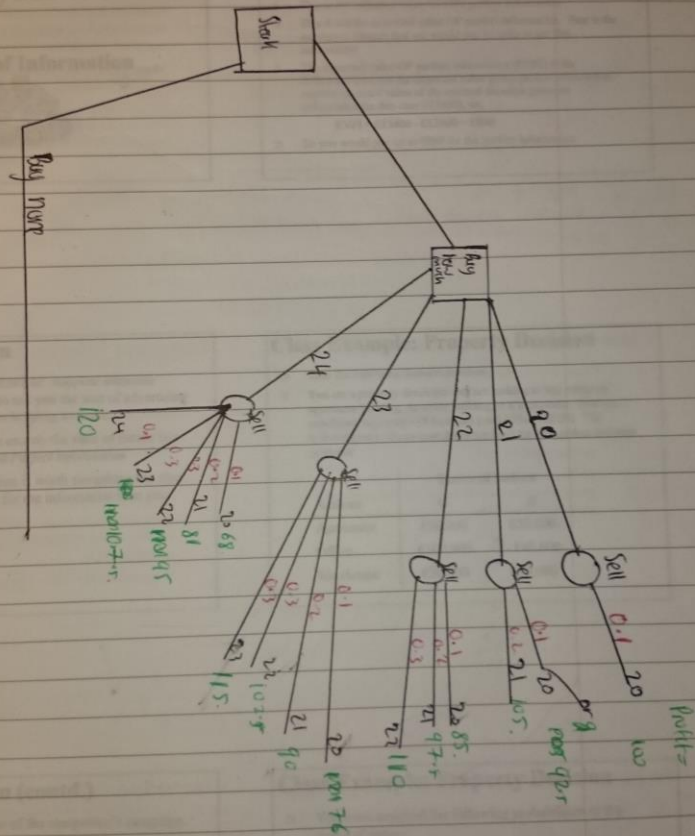
$$E.V. \text{ of } 23ky = 0.1(76) + 0.2(90) + 0.3(102.5) + 0.3(115) = 90.85$$

$$E.V. \text{ of } 24ky = 0.1(68) + 0.2(81) + 0.3(95) + 0.3(107.5) + (0.1/120) = 95.75$$

$$E.V \text{ of } 0ky =$$

0

Buying 24ky is the optimal value
Expected value of profit is +95.75



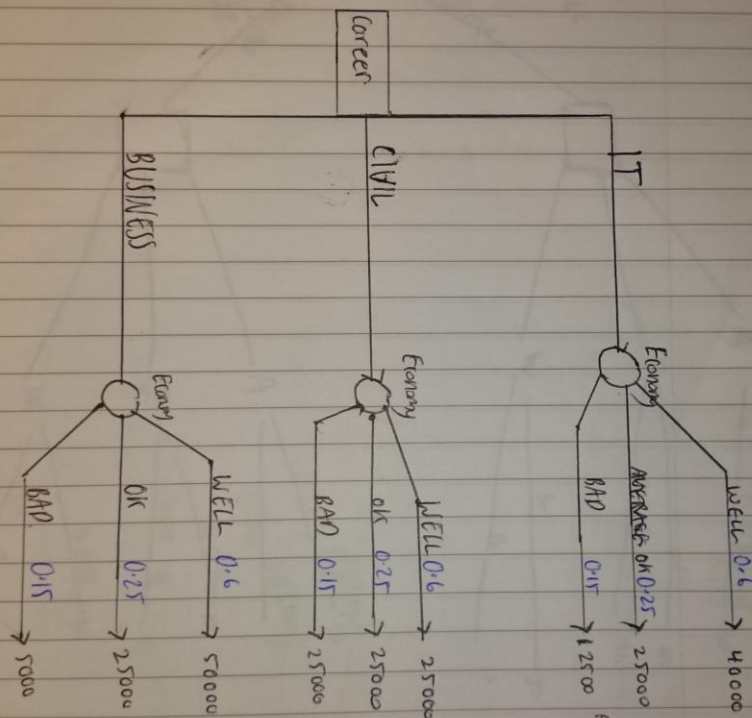
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$$P(\text{negative} | G) = 0.1$$

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$$E.V \text{ of IT} = 40000 \times 0.6 + 25000 \times 0.25 + 12500 \times 0.15 = 32125$$

$$E.V \text{ of CIVIL} = 25000 \times 0.6 + 25000 \times 0.25 + 25000 \times 0.15 = 25000$$

$$E.V \text{ of BUS} = 50000 \times 0.6 + 25000 \times 0.25 + 5000 \times 0.15 = 37000$$

Optimal action = Go for Setting up your own business

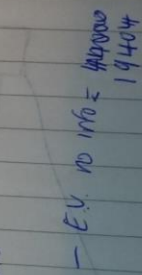
EUPI = Economy goes well = Set up own business with 50000 pounds

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① EV of PI = EV given PI - EV no info

$$\begin{aligned} \text{EV given PI} &= 4000 \times 0.6 + 2700 \times 0.6 + 1500 \times 0.6 \\ &= 2400 + 1620 + 900 \\ &= 4920 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{EV of PI} = 4920 - 3780 = 1140$$



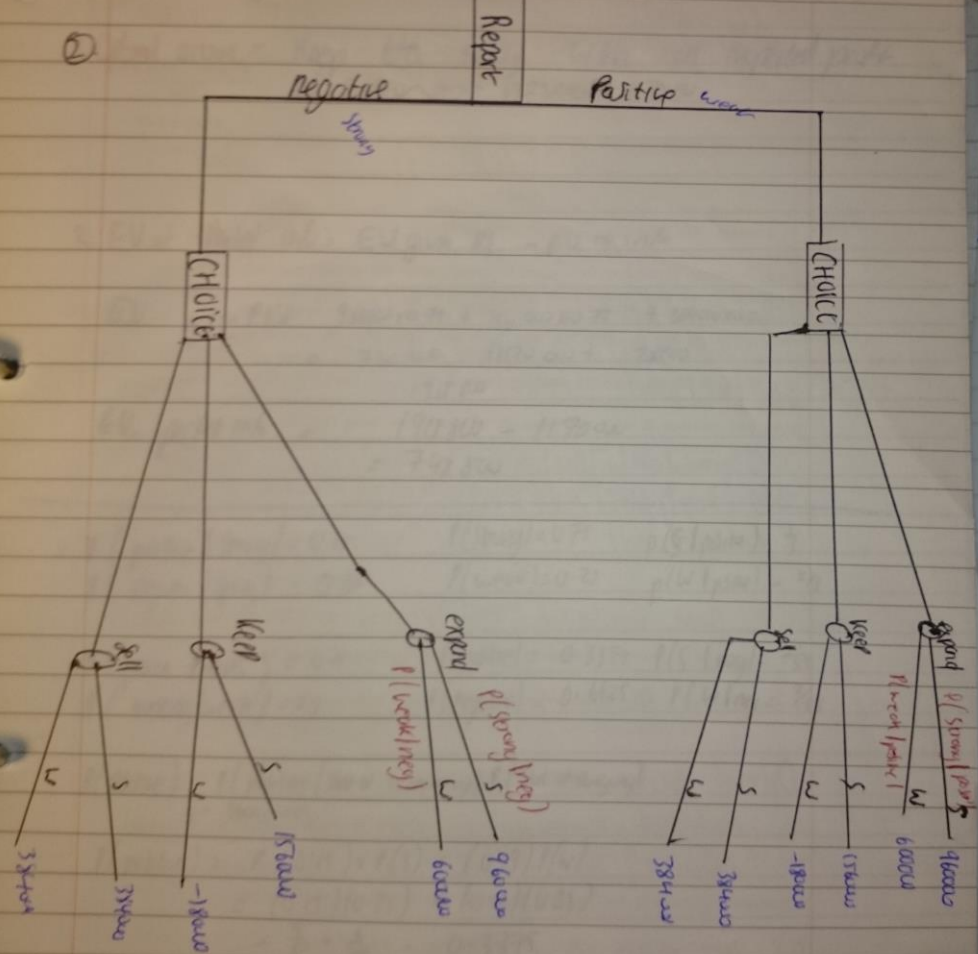
$$91940 \times 0.67 + 33160 \times 0.38 = 63404$$

higher than no info
lower than having perfect info

EV. of imperfect info = EV. given information

- EV. no info = 400000
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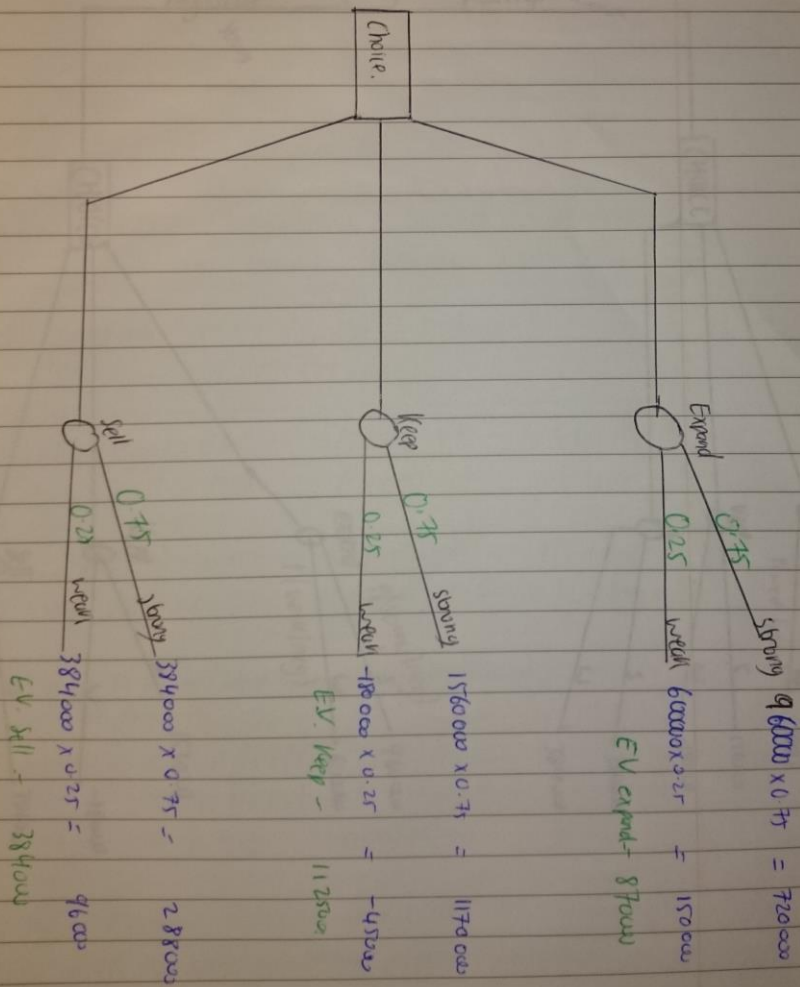


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1. Optimal action = Keep the factory with an expected profit of ~~€1170000~~ 1170000

2. EV of Perfect info, EV given PI - EV no info

$$\begin{aligned} \text{EV, given PI} &= 96000 \times 0.75 + 156000 \times 0.75 + 384000 \times 0.75 \\ &= 72000 + 117000 + 288000 \\ &= 1918000 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{EV, perfect info} &= 1918000 - 1170000 \\ &= 748000 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P(\text{positive} | \text{Strong}) &= 0.15 & P(\text{Strong}) &= 0.75 & P(S | \text{positive}) &= \frac{1}{3} \\ P(\text{negative} | \text{Strong}) &= 0.85 & P(\text{Weak}) &= 0.25 & P(W | \text{positive}) &= \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{positive} | \text{Weak}) &= 0.9 & P(\text{positive}) &= 0.3375 & P(S | \text{neg}) &= \frac{5}{53} \\ P(\text{negative} | \text{Weak}) &= 0.1 & P(\text{negative}) &= 0.6625 & P(W | \text{neg}) &= \frac{2}{53} \end{aligned}$$

$$P(\text{positive}) = \frac{P(\text{positive} | \text{Strong} \& \text{ economy} = y) P(\text{Strong} = y)}{y = \text{Strong, Weak}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{positive}) &= P(0.15) \times P(S) + (0.9) P(W) \\ &= (0.15)(0.75) + (0.9)(0.25) \\ &= \frac{9}{80} + \frac{9}{40} = 0.3375 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Bayes' law } P(X \text{ and } Y) = P(X) P(Y | X) = P(Y) P(X | Y)$$

$$P(\text{Strong} | \text{positive}) = \frac{P(\text{Strong}) P(\text{positive} | \text{Strong})}{P(\text{positive})}$$

$$\frac{0.75(0.15)}{0.3375} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(S|negative) = \frac{P(S)P(negative|S)}{P(negative)}$$

$$P(S|negative) = \frac{0.75 \cdot 0.85}{0.6625} = \frac{51}{55}$$

$$P(Y|X) = \frac{P(Y)P(X|Y)}{P(X)}$$

$$\frac{0.75 \cdot 0.85}{0.6625}$$

$$EV(\text{expand} | \text{positive}) = \frac{1}{3}(960000) + \frac{2}{3}(600000) = 320000 + 400000 = 720000$$

$$EV(\text{keep} | \text{positive}) = \frac{1}{3}(1560000) + \frac{2}{3}(-110000) = 400000$$

$$EV(\text{sell} | \text{positive}) = \frac{1}{3}(384000) + \frac{2}{3}(384000) = 384000$$

$$EV(\text{expand} | \text{negative}) = \frac{5}{13}(960000) + \frac{8}{13}(600000) = 946415$$

$$EV(\text{keep} | \text{negative}) = \frac{5}{13}(1560000) + \frac{8}{13}(-110000) = 1433207$$

$$EV(\text{sell} | \text{negative}) = \frac{5}{13}(384000) + \frac{8}{13}(384000) = 384000$$

$$EV(\text{given imperfect info}) = 720000 \cdot 0.3375 + 1433207 \cdot 0.6625$$

$$449500 + 243000 = 1192500$$

$$EV(\text{given no info}) = 1170000$$

Optimal decision given imperfect information:

- If consultant say economy will be positive expand
- If consultant say economy will be negative keep.

$$EV(\text{given imperfect info}) = 1192500$$

$$EV(\text{given no info}) = 1170000$$

$$EV \text{ of imperfect info} = EV(\text{given imperfect}) - EV(\text{given no info})$$

$$1192500 - 1170000$$

$$= 22500$$

I would pay 22500 - information only worth 22500

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Decision Analysis V.

① (A) $U(x) = 1 - e^{-0.0004x}$

$x = 4000$	$= 1 - e^{-0.0016}$	$= 0.98168$
$= 2500$	$= 1 - e^{-0.001}$	$= 0.91792$
$= 1250$	$= 1 - e^{-0.0005}$	$= 0.71349$
$= 5000$	$= 1 - e^{-0.002}$	$= 0.99326$
$= 500$	$= 1 - e^{-0.0002}$	$= 0.39346$

$EU(IT) = 0.6(0.98168) + (0.25)(0.91792) + (0.15)(0.71349) = 0.925518$

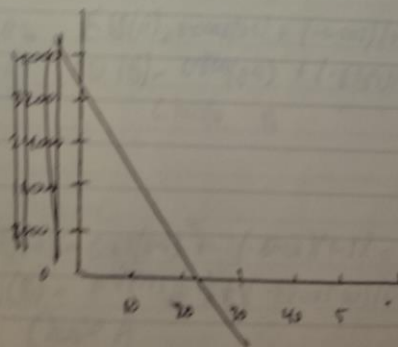
$EU(chill) = 0.6(0.91792) + (0.25)(0.91792) + (0.15)(0.91792) = 0.91792$

$EU(business) = 0.6(0.99326) + (0.25)(0.91792) + (0.15)(0.39346) = 0.884452$

Optimal decision is IT server
Has expected utility of 0.925518

⑥ $U(x) = 1 - e^{-0.0001x}$

$x = 0$	$= 0$
$x = 8000$	$= 0.9998$
$x = 1600$	$= 3.953$
$x = 24000$	$= 10.023$
$x = 3200$	$= 23.532$
$x = 4000$	$= 53.549$



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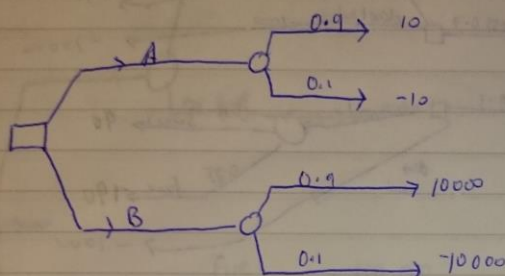
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risk adverse utility

Utility function: $U(x) = 1 - e^{-rx}$

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$$r = \frac{1}{2500} = 0.0004$$



Expected Utility

$$U(10) = 1 - e^{-0.0004(10)} = 0.004$$

$$U(-10) = 1 - e^{-0.0004(-10)} = -0.004$$

$$U(10000) = 1 - e^{-0.0004(10000)} = 0.9817$$

$$U(-10000) = 1 - e^{-0.0004(-10000)} = -53.60$$

Expected Utility

$$EU(A) = 0.004(0.9) + (-0.004)(0.1) = 0.0032$$

$$EU(B) = 0.9817(0.9) + (-53.60)(0.1) = -4.4763$$

Maximize the expected utility.

choose A

2. $r = \frac{1}{5000} = 0.0002$ $U(x) = 1 - e^{-rx}$

$$U(10) = 1 - e^{-0.0002(10)} = 0.002$$

$$U(-10) = 1 - e^{-0.0002(-10)} = -0.002$$

$$U(10000) = 1 - e^{-0.0002(10000)} = 0.864$$

$$U(-10000) = 1 - e^{-0.0002(-10000)} = -6.389$$

Expected Utility

$$EU(A) = 0.002(0.9) + (-0.002)(0.1) = 0.0016$$

$$EU(B) = 0.864(0.9) + (-6.389)(0.1) = 0.1387$$

choose B

3. $r = \frac{1}{1000} = 0.001$

$$U(10) = 0.01$$

$$U(-10) = -0.01$$

$$U(10000) = 0.99995$$

$$U(-10000) = -22025.5$$

Expected Utility

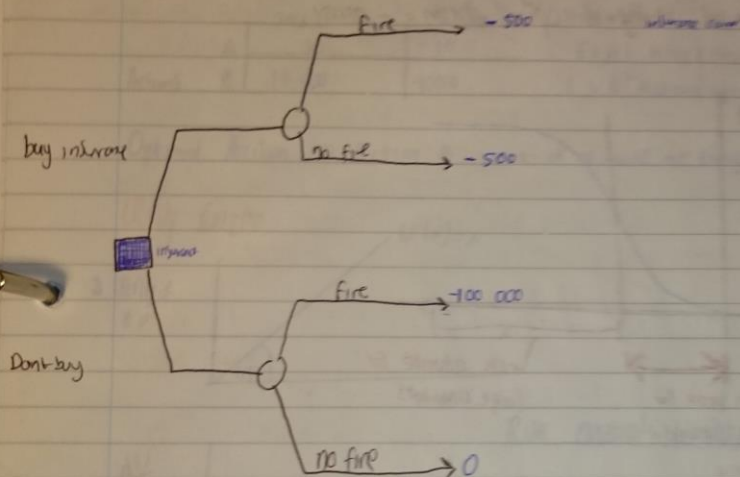
$$EU(A) = 0.01(0.9) + (-0.01)(0.1) = 0.008$$

$$EU(B) = 0.99995(0.9) + (-22025.5)(0.1) = -2201.6$$

choose A

large value of r - the larger our risk averseness.

13/11/12 Many Scenarios Decision Analysis V
 Why we buy insurance.



$$P(\text{Fire}) = \frac{1}{10000} = 0.0001$$

$$P(\text{no fire}) = 0.9999$$

Risk neutral (45/11e)

$$U(x) = x$$

$$E.V. \text{ Buy} = -500 \times 0.0001 + (-500) \times (0.9999) = -500$$

$$E.V. \text{ Don't buy} = -100000 \times (0.0001) + (0) \times (0.9999) = -10$$

Optimal decision is 'don't buy', Expected value = -10

Risk Averse

$$U(x) = 1 - e^{-rx} \quad \text{where } r = \frac{1}{10000}$$

$$U(-500) = -0.051$$

$$E(U) = (-0.051)(0.0001) + (-0.051)(0.9999) = -0.051$$

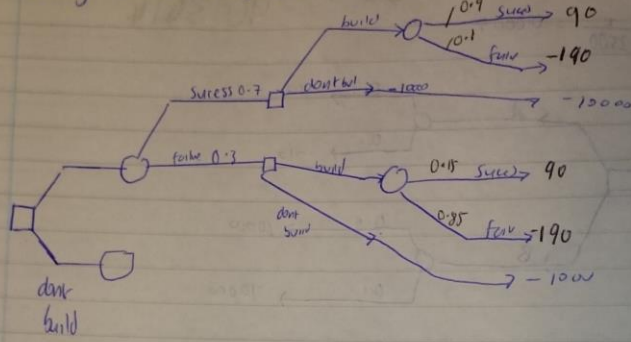
$$U(-100000) = -22025$$

$$E(U \text{ not buy}) = (-22025)(0.0001) + (0)(0.9999) = -22025$$

$$U(0) = 0$$

choose action with largest utility (Buy)

Utility function $U(x) = 1 - e^{-rx}$ where $r = 0.0000005$



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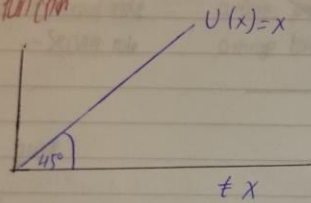
A Decision problem. (1)

	SN1 (0.9)	SN2 (0.1)	State of nature
Actions			
A	10	-10	$E.V(A) = 10 \times 0.9 + (-10) \times 0.1 = 8$
B	10,000	-10,000	$E.V(B) = 10000 \times 0.9 + (-10000) \times 0.1 = 8000$

Optimal decision is Action B - most of us would not though

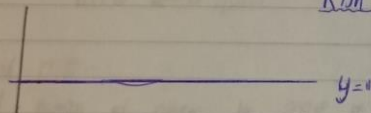
Utility function

2 Utility of £x



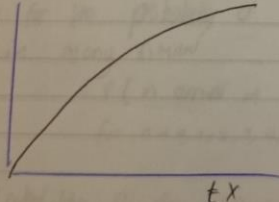
Risk neutral Utility

$\frac{dU}{dX}$



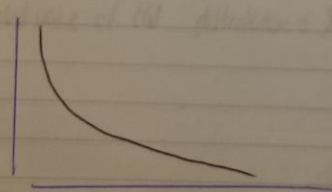
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Utility of £x



Risk averse

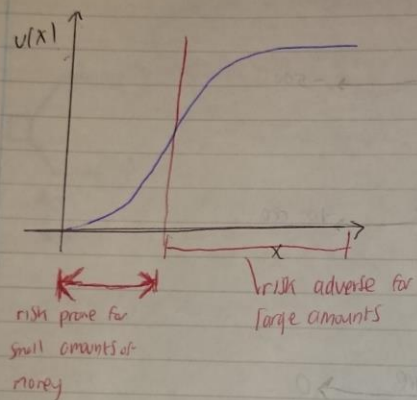
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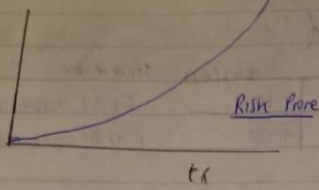
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Optimal decision = buy insurance
expected utility of optimal decision = -0.051



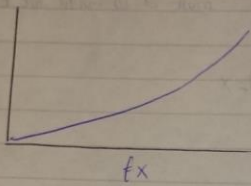
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could be e^x because $\frac{du}{dx}$ is e^x

tangent line @ and intercept

$\frac{du}{dx}$



Slope positive and increasing

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