

## Exercise 20

Given Information:

1. no draws
  - (a) no loops where the losing player can go in, in order to prevent the losing player from going in a loop in case you can win the game?).
  - (b) the game structure can be represented by a graph which has the form of a tree
2. finite
  - (a) the graph structure is finite
3. perfect information
  - (a) both players know the graph

Let  $V$  be the set of different game positions in the graph  $G = (V, E)$ ,  $V_0 \subseteq V$  the positions where player 0 has to move, analogous  $V_1$  and  $V_1 = V \setminus V_0$ . Let  $T_\sigma$  be all the leaves of the tree where  $T_{\sigma_0} \subseteq T_\sigma$  are the game positions player 0 wins and  $T_{\sigma_1} = T_\sigma \setminus T_{\sigma_0}$  are the game positions player 1 wins,

**Base Case:**

$\forall v \in T_\sigma$  a player has a winning strategy. So for every leaf there exists a winning strategy for a player.

**Induction Step:**

$\circ, \star \in \{\square, \bigcirc\}$ , where  $\square$  means that player 0 has a winning strategy and  $\bigcirc$  means that player 1 has a winning strategy. If  $\circ = \square$ , player 0 has a winning strategy in  $\star$ , if  $\circ = \bigcirc$  the choosing player has a winning strategy in  $\star$ .

By induction every node  $v \in V$  has a winning strategy for one player.