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# **Decision theory**

Exercise 1

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- To prove a property, we need to find a statement about all elements in  $M \times M$ .



#### Exercise 1: Transitive or not?

- $M = \mathbb{R}$ 
  - a)  $xRy \Leftrightarrow x \leq y + 1$
  - b)  $xRy \Leftrightarrow x \leq y-1$
  - c)  $xRy \Leftrightarrow x^2 \leq y^2$
- M = {Students in Erlangen}
  - d) aRb, if a and b have attended at least one lecture together
  - e) aRb, if the student ID of a is smaller than of b



#### **Exercise 2: Transitive or not?**

- a)  $(\mathbb{R},<)$
- b)  $(\mathbb{R}, \leq)$
- c)  $(\mathbb{R},=)$
- d)  $(\mathbb{R}, \neq)$
- e) (Subset of  $\mathbb{R},\subseteq$ )
- f)  $M = \{1, 2, 3\}, R = \{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3)\}$
- g)  $M = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}, R = \{(3, 1), (1, 5), (2, 2), (2, 5), (3, 5)\}$



#### **Basic Model**

A system consisting of:

- $A = \{a_1, \dots, \}$  a non-empty set of alternatives
- $S = \{s_1, \ldots, \}$  a non-empty set of scenarios, possibly also with probabilities  $p_i$
- E a set of outcomes with  $g: A \times S \rightarrow E$

#### **Decision Tree**

• Decision:

• Event: O

State: ◀



### **Exercise 3: Lottery**

A numbered ball is randomly drawn from a drum containing 100 balls in a lottery. Create a decision matrix and a decision tree.

### Lottary A

100% Chance of 1 Mio EUR

#### Lottery B

- 10% Chance of 5 Mio EUR
- 89% Chance of 1 Mio EUR
- 1% Chance of 0 EUR



#### **Exercise 4: Lottery**

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### **Lottery C**

- 11% Chance of 1 Mio EUR
- 89% Chance of 0 EUR

### **Lotterie D**

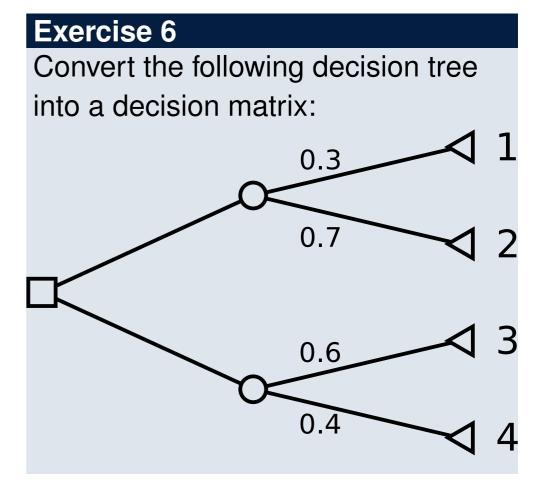
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#### **Exercise 5**

Convert the following decision matrix into a decision tree:

	<i>S</i> <sub>1</sub>	<i>S</i> <sub>2</sub>
	0.5	0.5
$a_1$	5	6
$a_2$	7	4





#### Exercise 7

Convert the following decision tree into a decision matrix

