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At each node we use the following formula to compute the price:

$$P(S, K, t) = \max \left(K - S, e^{-th} \left[P(uS, K, t + h)p^* + P(dS, K, t + h)(1 - p^*)\right]\right)$$

$$p^* = \frac{e^{(r-\delta)h} - d}{u - d}$$

Or simply

$$P(S, K, t) = \max(K - S, \Delta S + B)$$

FIGURE 10.7

Binomial tree for pricing an American put option; assumes S = \$41.00, K = \$40.00, $\sigma = 0.30$, r = 0.08, T = 1.00 years, $\delta = 0.00$, and h = 0.333. At each node the stock price, option price, Δ , and B are given. Option prices in **bold italic** signify that exercise is optimal at that node.

