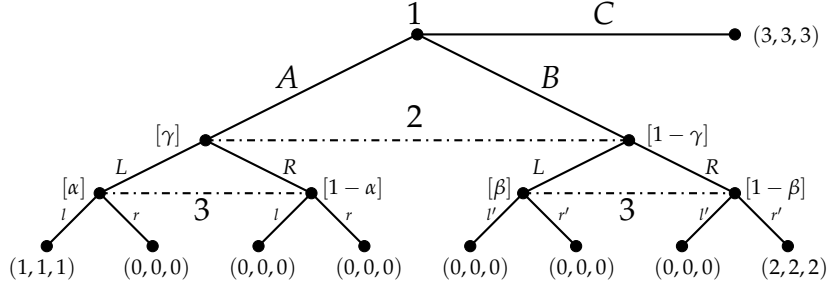


**Question:** Find all the perfect Bayesian equilibria for the following game.



**Answer:** Observe that Player 1 will always play C as she will get maximum pay-off by playing that action. This means for every perfect Bayesian equilibrium, there is no subgame where the three imperfect information sets are reached with a positive probability implying  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\gamma$  are "free".

Considering Player 3, if  $\alpha > 0$ , Player 3's optimal action is  $l$  and if  $\alpha = 0$ , she is indifferent between  $l$  and  $r$ . Similarly, if  $\beta < 1$ , Player 3's optimal action is  $r'$  and if  $\beta = 1$ , she is indifferent between  $l'$  and  $r'$ . We distinguish four cases based on the possible values of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

*Case 1:*  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta < 1$ .

This indicates that Player 3 will play  $b_3(l) = 1$  and  $b_3(r') = 1$ . Accordingly, Player 2 will prefer playing  $L$  over  $R$  if  $\gamma > 2(1 - \gamma) \implies \gamma > \frac{2}{3}$  and  $R$  over  $L$  if  $\gamma < \frac{2}{3}$ . If  $\gamma = \frac{2}{3}$ , Player 2 will be indifferent between  $L$  and  $R$ . This gives us the following equilibria:

$$b_1(C) = 1, b_2(L) = 1, b_3(l) = 1, b_3(r') = 1, \alpha > 0, \beta < 1, \gamma > \frac{2}{3},$$

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$$b_1(C) = 1, b_2(L) \in [0, 1], b_3(l) = 1, b_3(r') = 1, \alpha > 0, \beta < 1, \gamma = \frac{2}{3}.$$

*Case 2:*  $\alpha = 0$  and  $\beta < 1$ .

It follows that Player 3 will play  $b_3(l) \in [0, 1]$  and  $b_3(r') = 1$ . Accordingly, Player 2 will prefer playing  $L$  over  $R$  if  $\gamma b_3(l) > 2(1 - \gamma) \implies \gamma > \frac{2}{2+b_3(l)}$  and  $R$  over  $L$  if  $\gamma < \frac{2}{2+b_3(l)}$ . If  $\gamma = \frac{2}{2+b_3(l)}$ , Player 2 will be indifferent between  $L$  and  $R$ . Hence, the following equilibria:

$$b_1(C) = 1, b_2(L) = 1, b_3(l) \in [0, 1], b_3(r') = 1, \alpha = 0, \beta < 1, \gamma > \frac{2}{2+b_3(l)},$$

$$b_1(C) = 1, b_2(R) = 1, b_3(l) \in [0, 1], b_3(r') = 1, \alpha = 0, \beta < 1, \gamma < \frac{2}{2 + b_3(l)},$$

$$b_1(C) = 1, b_2(L) \in [0, 1], b_3(l) \in [0, 1], b_3(r') = 1, \alpha = 0, \beta < 1, \gamma = \frac{2}{2 + b_3(l)}.$$

Solve the other two cases in a similar way.