1. Assume  $\epsilon_i \sim \mathrm{iid}(\theta_i) > 0$ ,  $\forall \theta_i$  in the parameter space and  $i \in 1, 2$ . Furthmore, denote the income stream to agent i at time 1 as  $\nu_s^i$  where  $s \in \{\mathrm{high}, \mathrm{low}\}$  and

$$\nu_{\text{low}}^i = b_i - \epsilon_i$$
$$\nu_{\text{high}}^i = b_i + \epsilon_i$$

Note that the state space at t = 1 for agents 1 and 2 can be given by

$$\begin{split} S &= \{ (\nu_s^1, \nu_s^2) \}_{s \in \{ \text{high,low} \}} \\ &= \{ (\nu_{\text{low}}^1, \nu_{\text{low}}^2), (\nu_{\text{high}}^1, \nu_{\text{high}}^2), (\nu_{\text{low}}^1, \nu_{\text{high}}^2), (\nu_{\text{high}}^1, \nu_{\text{low}}^2) \} \\ &= \{ \nu_{\text{high}}^1, \nu_{\text{low}}^1 \} \times \{ \nu_{\text{high}}^2, \nu_{\text{low}}^2 \} \\ &= S_1 \times S_2 \end{split}$$

2.