

8.1 (a) The nodes are:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}_3 &= \{\{\text{uuu}\}, \{\text{uud, udu, duu}\}, \{\text{udd, dud, ddu}\}, \{\text{ddd}\}\} \\ \mathcal{P}_2 &= \{\{\text{uuu, uud}\}, \{\text{udu, udd, duu, dud}\}, \{\text{ddu, ddd}\}\} \\ \mathcal{P}_1 &= \{\{\text{uuu, uud, udu, udd}\}, \{\text{duu, dud, ddu, ddd}\}\} \\ \mathcal{P}_0 &= \{\{\text{uuu, uud, udu, udd, duu, dud, ddu, ddd}\}\}.\end{aligned}$$

(b) No. The nodes on the recombining tree ‘forget’ the past, they only tell us what the current stock price is. Mathematically we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}_1 &= \{\emptyset, \{\text{uuu, uud, udu, udd}\}, \{\text{duu, dud, ddu, ddd}\}, \Omega\} \\ \mathcal{F}_2 &= \{\emptyset, \{\text{uuu, uud}\}, \{\text{udu, udd, duu, dud}\}, \{\text{ddu, ddd}\}, \\ &\quad \{\text{uuu, uud, udu, udd, duu, dud}\}, \{\text{uuu, uud, ddu, ddd}\}, \\ &\quad \{\text{udu, udd, duu, dud, ddu, ddd}\}, \Omega\} \\ \Omega &= \{\text{uuu, uud, udu, udd, duu, dud, ddu, ddd}\},\end{aligned}$$

and it is clear that $\mathcal{F}_1 \not\subset \mathcal{F}_2$, because, for example, $\{\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3, \omega_4\}$ is in \mathcal{F}_1 but it does not belong to \mathcal{F}_2 . Consequently, the collection of algebras $\mathcal{F}_0, \mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2, \mathcal{F}_3$ is not an information filtration.