## Problem Set 4 PS 2703 Due October 1, 2007

## Provide full explanations for your answers (e.g. provide proofs or sketches of proofs where appropriate).

- 1. Osborne, Exercise 44.1 (Contributing to a public good)
- 2. For each of the games below, find the set of Nash equilibria and the set of action profiles surviving the iterated deletion of strictly dominated strategies. Is one a subset of the other?

a.

a b c

W X Y Z

d	e	f
3, 0	1, 1	2, 2
2, 1	3, 2	4, 1
1, 2	2, 1	3, 4

b.

g	h	i	j
1,2	1,3	2,1	5,1
4,2	2,4	3,4	4,3
3,2	2,3	4,5	2,2
3,2	1,2	2,2	1,4

c.

	$\mathbf{y}_1$	$y_2$	<b>y</b> <sub>3</sub>	$y_4$
$\mathbf{x}_1$	3, 1	-2, 0	2, 1	3, 2
$\mathbf{X}_2$	4, 0	5, 2	1, 3	3, 1
$X_3$	1, 4	6, -2	-1, -1	-2, 2
$X_4$	5, 7	-1, 3	1, 5	2, 8

- 3. An action is *weakly dominant* if it weakly dominates each of the player's other actions. Prove that if player i has two weakly dominant actions,  $a_i$  and  $a_i$ ', then for any action choices by his opponents  $a_{-i}$ , his actions  $a_i$  and  $a_i$ ' must yield the same payoffs.
- 4. Osborne, Exercise 74.1 (Electoral competition with three candidates)
- 5. Osborne, Exercise 75.3 (Electoral competition for more general preferences)