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## Solution to Problem set 3

## Problem 1

The best-response function of firm 1 is $\mathrm{BR}_{1}\left(\mathrm{p}_{2}\right)=\left(4+2 \mathrm{p}_{2}\right) / 6$. By symmetry, $\mathrm{p}_{1}=\mathrm{p}_{2}$ so the equilibrium is such that $p=(4+2 p) / 6$. Solving we get $p=1$. Hence the NE is $(1,1)$.

## Problem 2

(a) This game is just like a Bertrand game. Hence, when the cost of building a highway for both firms is $\$ 10$ million, the Nash equilibrium is $(\$ 10, \$ 10)$.
(b) When firm 2's cost of building the highway is $\$ 15$ million, the Nash equilibrium of the game is ( $\$ 15, \$ 15$ ). It is easy to check that any other pair of bids will induce at least one firm to deviate.

