Solutions Manual to

AN INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICAL FINANCE: OPTIONS AND OTHER TOPICS

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1.1 (a)
$$1 - p_0 - p_1 - p_2 - p_3 = 0.05$$
 (b) $p_0 + p_1 + p_2 = 0.80$

1.2
$$P\{C \cup R\} = P\{C\} + P\{R\} - P\{C \cap R\} = 0.4 + 0.3 - 0.2 = 0.5$$

1.3 (a)
$$\frac{8}{14} \frac{7}{13} = \frac{56}{182}$$
 (b) $\frac{6}{14} \frac{5}{13} = \frac{30}{182}$ (c) $\frac{6}{14} \frac{8}{13} + \frac{8}{14} \frac{6}{13} = \frac{96}{182}$

1.4 (a) 27/58 (b) 27/35

1.5

- 1. The probability that their child will develop cystic fibrosis is the probability that the child receives a CF gene from each of his parents, which is 1/4.
- 2. Given that his sibling died of the disease, each of the parents much have exactly one CF gene. Let A denote the event that he possesses one CF gene and B that he does not have the disease (since he is 30 years old). Then

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(A)}{P(B)} = \frac{2/4}{3/4} = \frac{2}{3}$$

1.6 Let A be the event that they are both aces and B the event they are of different suits. Then

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(A)}{P(B)} = \frac{\frac{4}{52} \frac{3}{51}}{\frac{39}{51}} = \frac{1}{169}$$

1.7

(a)
$$P(AB^c) = P(A) - P(AB)$$

 $= P(A) - P(A)P(B)$
 $= P(A)(1 - P(B))$
 $= P(A)P(B^c)$

Part (b) follows from part (a) since from (a) A and B^c are independent, implying from (a) that so are A^c and B^c .

1.8 If the gambler loses both the bets, then X = -3. If he wins the first bet, or loses the first bet and wins the second bet, X = 1. Therefore,

$$P\{X = -3\} = \left(\frac{20}{38}\right)^2 = \frac{100}{361}$$
$$P\{X = 1\} = \frac{18}{38} + \frac{20}{38} \frac{18}{38} = \frac{261}{361}$$

1.
$$P{X > 0} = P{X = 1} = \frac{261}{361}$$

2.
$$E[X] = 1\frac{261}{361} - 3\frac{100}{361} = \frac{-39}{361}$$

1. E[X] is larger since a bus with more students is more likely to be chosen than a bus with less students.

2.

$$E[X] = \frac{1}{152}(39^2 + 33^2 + 46^2 + 34^2) = \frac{5882}{152} \approx 38.697$$

 $E[Y] = \frac{1}{4}(39 + 33 + 46 + 34) = 38$

- **1.10** Let N denote the number of sets played. Then it is clear that $P\{N=2\} = P\{N=3\} = 1/2$.
 - 1. E[N] = 2.5
 - 2. $Var(N) = \frac{1}{2}(2 2.5)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(3 2.5)^2 = \frac{1}{4}$
 - **1.11** Let $\mu = E[X]$.

$$Var(X) = E[(X - \mu)^{2}]$$

$$= E[X^{2} - 2\mu X + \mu^{2}]$$

$$= E[X^{2}] - 2\mu E[X] + \mu^{2}$$

$$= E[X^{2}] - \mu^{2}$$

1.12 Let F be her fee if she takes the fixed amount and X when she takes the contingency amount.

$$E[F] = 5,000, \quad SD(F) = 0$$

$$E[X] = 25,000(.3) + 0(.7) = 7,500$$

$$E[X^2] = (25,000)^2(.3) + 0(.7) = 1.875 \times 10^8$$

Therefore,

$$SD(X) = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)} = \sqrt{1.875 \times 10^8 - (7,500)^2} = \sqrt{1.3125} \times 10^4$$

1.13

$$(a) E[\bar{X}] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} E[X_i]$$
$$= \frac{1}{n} n\mu = \mu$$

$$(b) \operatorname{Var}(\bar{X}) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{Var}(X_{i})$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{2} n \sigma^{2} = \sigma^{2} / n$$

$$(c) \sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_{i} - \bar{X})^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_{i}^{2} - 2X_{i}\bar{X} + \bar{X})^{2})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_{i}^{2} - 2\bar{X}\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_{i} + n\bar{X}^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_{i}^{2} - 2\bar{X}n\bar{X} + n\bar{X}^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_{i}^{2} - n\bar{X}^{2}$$

$$(d) E[(n-1)S^{2}] = E[\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_{i}^{2}] - E[n\bar{X}^{2}]$$

$$= nE[X_{1}^{2}] - nE[\bar{X}^{2}]$$

$$= n(\operatorname{Var}(X_{1}) + E[X_{1}]^{2}) - n(\operatorname{Var}(\bar{X}) + E[\bar{X}]^{2})$$

$$= n\sigma^{2} + n\mu^{2} - n(\sigma^{2} / n) - n\mu^{2}$$

$$= (n-1)\sigma^{2}$$

1.14

$$Cov(X,Y) = E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])]$$

$$= E[XY - XE[Y] - E[X]Y + E[X]E[Y])]$$

$$= E[XY] - E[Y]E[X] - E[X]E[Y] + E[X]E[Y]$$

$$= E[XY] - E[Y]E[X]$$

1.15

(a)
$$Cov(X, Y) = E[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])]$$

= $E[(Y - E[Y])(X - E[X])]$

(b)
$$Cov(X, X) = E[(X - E[X])^2] = Var(X)$$

$$(c) \operatorname{Cov}(cX, Y) = E[(cX - E[cX])(Y - E[Y])]$$
$$= cE[(X - E[X])(Y - E[Y])]$$
$$= c\operatorname{Cov}(X, Y)$$

(d)
$$Cov(c, Y) = E[(c - E[c])(Y - E[Y])] = 0$$