

Statistics XP 2015 - Quiz 1

NAME: _____

You have 15 minutes.
Each question is worth 2 points.

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1 Question

Suppose we think the probability the Hawks win their next game is .6.

Let $W \sim \text{Bernoulli}(.6)$ be the random variable which is 1 if Hawks win and 0 else.

Suppose I have a bet with a friend that pays me \$5 if the Hawks win and -\$10 if they lose.

Let B be the outcome of the bet.

1.1

What is the linear function relating B to W ?

1.2

What are the mean and standard deviation of W ?

1.3

What are the mean and standard deviation of B ?

2 Question

As in the notes, let A be the random variable with distribution:

$$E(A) = .068, \quad Var(A) = .003136, \quad sd(A) = 0.056$$

Suppose you put 20% your money into the riskless asset with return .02 for sure and the rest of your money into the risky asset with random return A . Thus, the portfolio weight for the riskless asset is .2 and the weight for the risky asset is .8.

Let the return on your portfolio be denoted by P .

2.1

What is the linear function relating P to A ?

2.2

What are the mean and standard deviation of P ?

2.3

Suppose you invest \$100 in P .

Let W denote the amount of money you have at the end of the period.

Hence $W = 100(1 + P)$.

What are the mean and variance of W ?