1.
$$X(s) + X(t) = 2X(s) + X(t) - X(s)$$
.

Now 2X(s) is normal with mean 0 and variance 4s and X(t)-X(s) is normal with mean 0 and variance t-s. As X(s) and X(t)-X(s) are independent, it follows that X(s)+X(t) is normal with mean 0 and variance 4s+t-s=3s+t.

- 2. The conditional distribution X(s) A given that $X(t_1) = A$ and $X(t_2) = B$ is the same as the conditional distribution of $X(s t_1)$ given that X(0) = 0 and $X(t_2 t_1) = B A$, which by Equation (10.4) is normal with mean $\frac{s t_1}{t_2 t_1}(B A)$ and variance $\frac{(s t_1)}{t_2 t_1}(t_2 s)$. Hence the desired conditional distribution is normal with mean $A + \frac{(s t_1)(B A)}{t_2 t_1}$ and variance $\frac{(s t_1)(t_2 s)}{t_2 t_1}$.
- 3. $E[X(t_1)X(t_2)X(t_3)]$

$$= E[E[X(t_1)X(t_2)X(t_3) \mid X(t_1), X(t_2)]]$$

$$= E[X(t_1)X(t_2)E[X(t_3) \mid X(t_1), X(t_2)]]$$

$$= E[X(t_1)X(t_2)X(t_2)]$$

$$= E[E[X(t_1)E[X^2(t_2) \mid X(t_1)]]$$

$$= E[X(t_1)E[X^2(t_2) \mid X(t_1)]]$$
 (*)

$$= E[X(t_1)\{(t_2-t_1)+X^2(t_1)\}]$$

$$= E[X^{3}(t_{1})] + (t_{2} - t_{1})E[X(t_{1})]$$

= 0

where the equality (*) follows since given $X(t_1)$, $X(t_2)$ is normal with mean $X(t_1)$ and variance $t_2 - t_1$. Also, $E[X^3(t)] = 0$ since X(t) is normal with mean 0.

4. (a)
$$P\{T_a < \infty\} = \lim_{t \to \infty} P\{T_a \le t\}$$

 $= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2r}} \int_0^\infty e^{-y^2/2} dy$ by (10.6)
 $= 2P\{N(0, 1) > 0\} = 1$

Part (b) can be proven by using

$$E[T_a] = \int_0^\infty P\{T_a > t\} dt$$

in conjunction with Equation (10.7).

5.
$$P\{T_1 < T_{-1} < T_2\} = P\{\text{hit 1 before } -1 \text{ before } 2\}$$

$$= P\{\text{hit 1 before } -1\}$$

$$\times P\{\text{hit } -1 \text{ before } 2 \mid \text{hit 1 before } -1\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}P\{\text{down 2 before up 1}\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{6}$$

The next to last equality follows by looking at the Brownian motion when it first hits 1.

 The probability of recovering your purchase price is the probability that a Brownian motion goes up c by time t. Hence the desired probability is

$$1-P\{\max_{0\leq s\leq t}X(s)\geq c\}=1-\frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi t}}\int_{c/\sqrt{t}}^{\infty}e^{-y^2/2}dy$$

Let M = {max_{t1≤s≤t2} X(s) > x}. Condition on X(t1) to obtain

$$P(M) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P(M|X(t_1) = y) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t_1}} e^{-y^2/2t_1} dy$$

Now, use that

$$P(M|X(t_1)=y)=1, \quad y\geq x$$

and, for y < x

$$P(M|X(t_1) = y) = P\{\max_{0 < s < t_2 - t_1} X(s) > x - y\}$$

= $2P\{X(t_2 - t_1) > x - y\}$

8. (a) Let X(t) denote the position at time t. Then

$$X(t) = \sqrt{\Delta t} \sum_{t=1}^{[t/\Delta t]} X_t$$

where

$$X_t = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{if } i^{th} \text{ step is up} \\ -1, & \text{if } i^{th} \text{ step is down} \end{cases}$$

$$E[X_1] = p - 1(1 - p)$$

$$= 2p - 1$$

$$= \mu \sqrt{\Delta t}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} Var(X_t) &= E\left[X_t^2\right] - (E\left[X_t\right])^2 \\ &= 1 - \mu^2 \Delta t \quad \text{ since } X_t^2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$E[X(t)] = \sqrt{\Delta t} \left[\frac{t}{\Delta t} \right] \mu \sqrt{\Delta t}$$

$$\rightarrow \mu t \text{ as } \Delta t \rightarrow 0$$

$$Var(X(t)) = \Delta t \left[\frac{t}{\Delta t} \right] (1 - \mu^2 \Delta t)$$

$$\rightarrow t \text{ as } \Delta t \rightarrow 0.$$

(b) By the gambler's ruin problem the probability of going up A before going down B is

$$\frac{1-(q/p)^B}{1-(q/p)^{A+B}}$$

when each step is either up 1 or down 1 with probabilities p and q=1-p. (This is the probability that a gambler starting with B will reach his goal of A+B before going broke.) Now, when $p=\frac{1}{2}(1+\mu\sqrt{\Delta t}), q=1-p=\frac{1}{2}(1-\mu\sqrt{\Delta t})$ and so $q/p=\frac{1-\mu\sqrt{\Delta t}}{1+\mu\sqrt{\Delta t}}$. Hence, in this case the probability of going up $A/\sqrt{\Delta t}$ before going down $B/\sqrt{\Delta t}$ (we divide by $\sqrt{\Delta t}$ since each step is now of this size) is

(*)
$$\frac{1 - \left[\frac{1 - \mu \sqrt{\Delta t}}{1 + \mu \sqrt{\Delta t}}\right]^{B/\sqrt{\Delta t}}}{1 - \left[\frac{1 - \mu \sqrt{\Delta t}}{1 + \mu \sqrt{\Delta t}}\right]^{(A+B/\sqrt{\Delta t})}}$$

New

$$\lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \left[\frac{1 - \mu \quad \sqrt{\Delta t}}{1 + \mu \quad \sqrt{\Delta t}} \right]^{1/\sqrt{\Delta t}} = \lim_{h \to 0} \left[\frac{1 - \mu h}{1 + \mu h} \right]^{1/h}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \left[\frac{1 - \frac{\mu}{n}}{1 + \frac{\mu}{n}} \right]^{n}$$
by $n = 1/h$

$$= \frac{e^{-\mu}}{e^{\mu}} = e^{-2\mu}$$

where the last equality follows from

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \left[1 + \frac{x}{n}\right]^n = e^x$$

Hence the limiting value of (*) as $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ is

$$\frac{1 - e^{-2\mu B}}{1 - e^{-2\mu(A+B)}}$$

Let X(t) denote the value of the process at time t = nh. Let X_t = 1 if the ith change results in the state value becoming larger, and let X_t = 0 otherwise. Then, with u = e^{σ√k}, d = e^{-σ√k}

$$X(t) = X(0)u^{\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_{i}} d^{n-\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_{i}}$$

$$= X(0)d^n \left(\frac{u}{d}\right)^{\sum_{t=1}^n X_t}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{split} \log\left(\frac{X(t)}{X(0)}\right) &= n\log(d) + \sum_{t=1}^{n} X_{t}\log(u/d) \\ &= -\frac{t}{h}\sigma\sqrt{h} + 2\sigma\sqrt{h}\sum_{t=1}^{t/h} X_{t} \end{split}$$

By the central limit theorem, the preceding becomes a normal random variable as $h \to 0$. Moreover, because the X_f are independent, it is easy to see that the process has independent increments.

$$E\left[\log\left(\frac{X(t)}{X(0)}\right)\right]$$

$$= -\frac{t}{h}\sigma\sqrt{h} + 2\sigma\sqrt{h}\frac{t}{h}\frac{1}{2}(1 + \frac{\mu}{\sigma}\sqrt{h})$$

$$= \mu t$$

and

$$Var\left[\log\left(\frac{X(t)}{X(0)}\right)\right] = 4\sigma^2 h \frac{t}{h} p(1-p)$$

 $\rightarrow \sigma^2 t$

where the preceding used that $p \rightarrow 1/2$ as $h \rightarrow 0$.

12. If we purchase x units of the stock and y of the option then the value of our holdings at time 1 is

value =
$$\begin{cases} 150x + 25y & \text{if price is } 150\\ 25x & \text{if price is } 25 \end{cases}$$

$$150x + 25y = 25x$$
, or $y = -5x$

then the value of our holdings is 25x no matter what the price is at time 1. Since the cost of purchasing x units of the stock and -5x units of options is 50x - 5xc it follows that our profit from such a purchase is

$$25x - 50x + 5xc = x(5c - 25)$$

- (a) If c = 5 then there is no sure win.
- (b) Selling |x| units of the stock and buying -5|x|units of options will realize a profit of 5|x| no matter what the price of the stock is at time 1. (That is, buy x units of the stock and -5x units of the options for x < 0.)
- (c) Buying x units of the stock and −5x units of options will realize a positive profit of 25x when x > 0.
- (d) Any probability vector (p, 1 − p) on (150, 25), the possible prices at time 1, under which buying the stock is a fair bet satisfies the following:

$$50 = p(150) + (1 - p)(25)$$

or

$$p = 1/5$$

That is, (1/5, 4/5) is the only probability vector that makes buying the stock a fair bet. Thus, in order for there to be no arbitrage possibility, the price of an option must be a fair bet under this probability vector. This means that the cost c must satisfy

$$c = 25(1/5) = 5$$

13. If the outcome is i then our total winnings are

$$x_t o_t - \sum_{j \neq t} x_j = \frac{o_t (1 + o_t)^{-1} - \sum_{j \neq t} (1 + o_j)^{-1}}{1 - \sum_k (1 + o_k)^{-1}}$$

$$= \frac{(1 + o_t)(1 + o_t)^{-1} - \sum_j (1 + o_j)^{-1}}{1 - \sum_k (1 + o_k)^{-1}}$$

$$= 1$$

14. Purchasing the stock will be a fair bet under probabilities $(p_1, p_2, 1-p_1-p_2)$ on (50, 100, 200), the set of possible prices at time 1, if

$$100 = 50p_1 + 100p_2 + 200(1 - p_1 - p_2)$$

or equivalently, if

$$3p_1 + 2p_2 = 2$$

(a) The option bet is also fair if the probabilities also satisfy

$$c = 80(1 - p_1 - p_2)$$

Solving this and the equation $3p_1 + 2p_2 = 2$ for p1 and p2 gives the solution

$$p_1 = c/40, p_2 = (80 - 3c)/80$$

$$1 - p_1 - p_2 = c/80$$

Hence, no arbitrage is possible as long as these p_t all lie between 0 and 1. However, this will be the case if and only if

80 > 3c

(b) In this case, the option bet is also fair if

$$c = 20p_2 + 120(1 - p_1 - p_2)$$

Solving in conjunction with the equation

$$3p_1 + 2p_2 = 2$$
 gives the solution

$$p_1 = (c-20)/30, p_2 = (40-c)/20$$

$$1 - p_1 - p_2 = (c - 20)/60$$

These will all be between 0 and 1 if and only if $20 \le c \le 40$.

15. The parameters of this problem are

$$\sigma = .05$$
, $\sigma = 1$, $x_0 = 100$, $t = 10$.

(a) If K = 100 then from Equation (4.4)

$$b = [.5 - 5 - \log(100/100)]/\sqrt{10}$$

$$=-4.5\sqrt{10}=-1.423$$

$$c = 100\phi(\sqrt{10} - 1.423) - 100e^{-.5}\phi(-1.423)$$

=
$$100\phi(1.739) - 100e^{-5}[1 - \phi(1.423)]$$

$$=91.2$$

The other parts follow similarly.

 Taking expectations of the defining equation of a Martingale yields

$$E[Y(s)] = E[E[Y(t)/Y(u), 0 \le u \le s]] = E[Y(t)]$$

That is, E[Y(t)] is constant and so is equal to E[Y(0)].

17.
$$E[B(t)|B(u), 0 \le u \le s]$$

$$= E[B(s) + B(t) - B(s)|B(u), 0 \le u \le s]$$

$$= E[B(s)|B(u), \ 0 \le u \le s]$$

+
$$E[B(t) - B(s)|B(u), 0 \le u \le s]$$

= B(s) + E[B(t) - B(s)] by independent

increments

= B(s)

18.
$$E[B^2(t)|B(u), 0 \le u \le s] = E[B^2(t)|B(s)]$$

where the above follows by using independent increments as was done in Problem 17. Since the conditional distribution of B(t) given B(s) is normal with mean B(s) and variance t-s it follows that

$$E[B^2(t)|B(s)] = B^2(s) + t - s$$

Hence

$$E[B^2(t) - t|B(u), 0 \le u \le s] = B^2(s) - s$$

Therefore, the conditional expected value of $B^2(t) - t$, given all the values of B(u), $0 \le u \le s$, depends only on the value of $B^2(s)$. From this it intuitively follows that the conditional expectation given the squares of the values up to time s is also $B^2(s) - s$. A formal argument is obtained by conditioning on the values B(u), $0 \le u \le s$ and using the above. This gives

$$\begin{split} E[B^2(t) - t | B^2(u), \ 0 &\leq u \leq s] \\ &= E\left[E[B^2(t) - t | B(u), \ 0 \leq u \leq s] | B^2(u), \\ 0 &\leq u \leq s] \\ &= E[B^2(s) - s | B^2(u), \ 0 \leq u \leq s] \\ &= B^2(s) - s \end{split}$$

which proves that $\{B^2(t) - t, t \ge 0\}$ is a Martingale. By letting t = 0, we see that

$$E[B^2(t) - t] = E[B^2(0)] = 0$$

 Since knowing the value of Y(t) is equivalent to knowing B(t) we have

$$\begin{split} &E[Y(t)|Y(u), \ 0 \le u \le s] \\ &= e^{-c^2t/2}E[e^{cB(t)}|B(u), \ 0 \le u \le s] \\ &= e^{-c^2t/2}E[e^{cB(t)}|B(s)] \end{split}$$

Now, given B(s), the conditional distribution of B(t) is normal with mean B(s) and variance t-s. Using the formula for the moment generating function of a normal random variable we see that

$$e^{-c^2t/2}E[e^{cB(t)}|B(s)]$$

$$= e^{-c^2t/2}e^{cB(s)+(t-s)c^2/2}$$

$$= e^{-c^2s/2}e^{cB(s)}$$

$$= Y(s)$$
There $(Y(t))$ is Martin 1

Thus, $\{Y(t)\}$ is a Martingale.

$$E[Y(t)] = E[Y(0)] = 1$$

20. By the Martingale stopping theorem

$$E[B(T)] = E[B(0)] = 0$$

However, $B(T) = 2 - 4T$ and so $2 - 4E[T] = 0$
or, $E[T] = 1/2$

21. By the Martingale stopping theorem

$$E[B(T)] = E[B(0)] = 0$$

But, $B(T) = (x - \mu T)/\sigma$ and so $E[(x - \mu T)/\sigma] = 0$
or $E[T] = x/\mu$

22. (a) It follows from the results of Problem 19 and the Martingale stopping theorem that

$$E[\exp\{cB(T) - c^2T/2\}]$$

= $E[\exp\{cB(0)\}] = 1$

Since
$$B(T) = [X(T) - \mu T]/\sigma$$
 part (a) follows.

(b) This follows from part (a) since

$$-2\mu[X(T) - \mu T]/\sigma^{2} - (2\mu/\sigma)^{2}T/2$$

= $-2\mu X(T)/\sigma^{2}$

(c) Since T is the first time the process hits A or —B it follows that

$$X(T) = \begin{cases} A, & \text{with probability } p \\ -B, & \text{with probability } 1 - p \end{cases}$$

Hence, we see that

$$1 = E[e^{-2\mu X(T)/\sigma^2}] = pe^{-2\mu A/\sigma^2} + (1-p)e^{2\mu B/\sigma^2}$$

and so

$$p = \frac{1 - e^{2\mu B/\sigma^2}}{e^{-2\mu A/\sigma^2} - e^{2\mu B/\sigma^2}}$$

23. By the Martingale stopping theorem we have

$$E[B(T)] = E[B(0)] = 0$$

Since $B(T) = [X(T) - \mu T]/\sigma$ this gives the equality

$$E[X(T) - \mu T] = 0$$

or

$$E[X(T)] = \mu E[T]$$

Now

$$E[X(T)] = pA - (1 - p)B$$

where, from part (c) of Problem 22,

$$p = \frac{1 - e^{2\mu B/\sigma^2}}{e^{-2\mu A/\sigma^2} - e^{2\mu B/\sigma^2}}$$

Hence

$$E[T] = \frac{A(1 - e^{2\mu B/\sigma^2}) - B(e^{-2\mu A/\sigma^2} - 1)}{\mu(e^{-2\mu A/\sigma^2} - e^{2\mu B/\sigma^2})}$$

24. It follows from the Martingale stopping theorem and the result of Problem 18 that

$$E[B^2(T) - T] = 0$$

where T is the stopping time given in this problem and $B(t) = [X(t) - \mu t]/\sigma$. Therefore,

$$E[(X(T) - \mu T)^2 / \sigma^2 - T] = 0$$

However, X(T) = x and so the above gives that

$$E[(x - \mu T)^2] = \sigma^2 E[T]$$

But, from Problem 21, $E[T] = x/\mu$ and so the above is equivalent to

$$Var(\mu T) = \sigma^2 x/\mu$$

or

$$Var(T) = \sigma^2 x/\mu^3$$

25. The means equal 0.

$$Var\left[\int_0^1 t dX(t)\right] = \int_0^1 t^2 dt = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$Var\left[\int_0^1 t^2 dX(t)\right] = \int_0^1 t^4 dt = \frac{1}{5}$$

26. (a) Normal with mean and variance given by

$$E[Y(t)] = tE[X(1/t)] = 0$$

$$Var(Y(t)) = t^2 Var[X(1/t)] = t^2/t = t$$

(b) Cov(Y(s), Y(t)) = Cov(sX(1/s), tX(1/t))

$$= st \ Cov(X(1/s), X(1/t))$$

$$= st \frac{1}{t}, \quad \text{when } s \le t$$

$$= s$$
, when $s \le t$

(c) Clearly {Y(t)} is Gaussian. As it has the same mean and covariance function as the Brownian motion process (which is also Gaussian) it follows that it is also Brownian motion.

27.
$$E[X(a^2t)/a] = \frac{1}{a}E[X(a^2t)] = 0$$

For s < t,

$$Cov(Y(s), Y(t)) = \frac{1}{a^2} Cov(X(a^2s), X(a^2t))$$

= $\frac{1}{a^2} a^2s = s$

As $\{Y(t)\}$ is clearly Gaussian, the result follows.

28.
$$Cov(B(s) - \frac{s}{t}B(t), B(t)) = Cov(B(s), B(t))$$

 $-\frac{s}{t}Cov(B(t), B(t))$
 $= s - \frac{s}{t}t = 0$

29. {Y(t)} is Gaussian with

$$E[Y(t)] = (t+1)E(Z[t/(t+1)]) = 0$$

and for s < t

Cov(Y(s), Y(t))

$$= (s+1)(t+1)\operatorname{Cov}\left[Z\left[\frac{s}{s+1}\right], \quad Z\left[\frac{t}{t+1}\right]\right]$$
$$= (s+1)(t+1)\frac{s}{s+1}\left[1 - \frac{t}{t+1}\right] \quad (*)$$
$$= s$$

where (*) follows since Cov(Z(s), Z(t)) = s(1 - t). Hence, $\{Y(t)\}$ is Brownian motion since it is also Gaussian and has the same mean and covariance function (which uniquely determines the distribution of a Gaussian process).

30. For s < 1</p>

$$Cov[X(t), X(t + s)]$$

$$= Cov[N(t+1) - N(t), N(t+s+1) - N(t+s)]$$

$$= Cov(N(t+1), N(t+s+1) - N(t+s))$$

$$-Cov(N(t), N(t+s+1) - N(t+s))$$

$$= Cov(N(t+1), N(t+s+1) - N(t+s))$$
 (*)

where the equality (*) follows since N(t) is independent of N(t + s + 1) - N(t + s). Now, for $s \le t$,

$$Cov(N(s), N(t)) = Cov(N(s), N(s) + N(t) - N(s))$$

$$= Cov(N(s), N(s))$$

$$= \lambda s$$

Hence, from (*) we obtain that, when s < 1,

$$Cov(X(t), X(t+s)) = Cov(N(t+1), N(t+s+1))$$

$$-Cov(N(t+1),N(t+s))$$

$$=\lambda(t+1)-\lambda(t+s)$$

$$=\lambda(1-s)$$

When $s \ge 1$, N(t + 1) - N(t) and N(t + s + 1) -N(t + s) are, by the independent increments property, independent and so their covariance is 0.

- 31. (a) Starting at any time t the continuation of the Poisson process remains a Poisson process with rate λ .
 - (b) E[Y(t)Y(t + s)]

$$= \int_{0}^{\infty} E[Y(t)Y(t+s) \mid Y(t) = y] \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy$$

$$\begin{split} &= \int_0^\infty y E[Y(t+s) \mid Y(t) = y] \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy \\ &+ \int_s^\infty y (y-s) \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy \\ &= \int_0^s y \frac{1}{\lambda} \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy + \int_s^\infty y (y-s) \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy \end{split}$$

where the above used that

$$E[Y(t)Y(t+s)|Y(t)=y]$$

$$= \begin{cases} yE(Y(t+s)) = \frac{y}{\lambda}, & \text{if } y < s \\ y(y-s), & \text{if } y > s \end{cases}$$

$$Cov(Y(t), Y(t + s))$$

$$= \int_{0}^{s} y e^{-y\lambda} dy + \int_{s}^{\infty} y (y - s) \lambda e^{-\lambda y} dy - \frac{1}{\lambda^{2}}$$

32. (a)
$$Var(X(t+s) - X(t))$$

$$= Cov(X(t + s) - X(t), X(t + s) - X(t))$$

= $R(0) - R(s) - R(s) + R(0)$

$$=2R(0)-2R(s)$$

(b)
$$Cov(Y(t), Y(t + s))$$

$$=Cov(X(t+1)-X(t),X(t+s+1)$$

$$-X(t+s)$$

$$= R_x(s) - R_x(s-1) - R_x(s+1) + R_x(s)$$

$$=2R_x(s)-R_x(s-1)-R_x(s+1), s\geq 1$$

33. Cov(X(t), X(t+s))

$$= Cov(Y_1\cos wt + Y_2\sin wt,$$

$$Y_1\cos w(t+s) + Y_2\sin w(t+s))$$

$$=\cos wt\cos w(t+s)+\sin wt\sin w(t+s)$$

$$=\cos(w(t+s)-wt)$$

= cos ws