Calling Preflop Raises

* When opt not to 3-bet and call instead
* Hand 1:
  + {5h 7h 6h 4d} in CO
  + Playing against a nit 20/4
    - If you 3-bet to isolate, then you’re likely to get 4-bet
    - Can’t 3-bet to isolate b/c opener is so tight
  + An exercise in hand-reading based on opponent actions
    - After it check’s through twice, Tom 2-barrels b/c of the perceived weakness of the original raisers
* Hand 2:
  + {Jc Ks 3s Jd} on BTN
  + Chose not to 3-bet against cutoff open
    - All opponents appear to be solid TAGS
  + When it flops well, it does very well. But when it doesn’t flop well, then hand is fairly poor. Therefore, it can benefit from multiway pots.
    - Weak aces, weak kings can be considered in a similar light
* Hand 3:
  + {Kc 2d Ah Ks} on BTN
  + Chose not to 3-bet b/c he knew a player on tilt would likely to 3-bet on his behalf
  + Can use information on regular’s actions to identify a capped range and exploit it to make a 4-bet
  + Nice when you have short stacks to help players induce a 3-bet that you can 4-bet
* Hand 4:
  + {Tc Jh 9h 5c} on BTN
  + Chose to call when there was an overcaller
    - Didn’t want to play a massive pot b/c it was likely that the overcaller would hand on
    - Not pushing an equity edge in a multiway pot
    - Pressure in multiway pots doesn’t apper to play well in the lower stakes games
* Hand 5:
  + {Tc Kc Qc Qd} on BTN
  + call/raise/{Tom Calls}
  + Played sticky against aggressive players when in position
* Hand 6:
  + {9d Ac Kh Kc} in the BB
  + Called a SB raise; Generally should be 3-bet
    - Why a call?
      * SB had opened 100%.
      * Trying to avoid conditioning the SB to make a “good adjustment”
      * He might change his range if he’s always getting 3-bet pre-flop
    - Therefore called in this instance with a mandatory 3-betting hand
      * Taking a sub-optimal “vacuum” play and turning into a better long-term opportunity
    - Small check-raise interpreted as a bluff
* Hand 7:
  + {Ad 9d 6s Ac} in HJ
    - Tom opened (std); BTN (a 25/16 regular) 3-bets; BB (another regular) calls
    - Tom calls the 3-bet rather than 4-betting
      * Tom can deduce the types of hands held by the BB (generally rundowns)
      * Also the button consists of a standard 3-betting range; but probably not including AAxx
    - A call means that Tom’s AAxx hand is fairly well described