



Probability: Everyday Decisions Based on Probabilities (Group Project)

Stocks and Risk

Javier will be a senior in high school next year. To celebrate his graduation, his grandmother gave him a sizable amount of money. Since he has scholarship for college, Javier decided to investigate investing the money in stocks. He talked to a consultant, who explains some of her investment types and their returns as compared to the market average. Javier's choices were to invest in high- or low-capital stock and domestic or international. These stocks were either average or below average.

The following is a summary of the data for the last quarter:

- 58% of the stocks were high-capital.
- 86.2% of the high-capital stocks and 95% of the low-capital stocks were domestic.
- 84% of the high-capital, domestic stocks were below average.
- 85% of the high-capital, international stocks were average.
- 80% of the low-capital, domestic stocks were average.
- 40% of the low-capital, international stocks were below average.

1.) Draw a tree diagram of the data.

2.) If a stock is chosen at random, what is the probability that it is high-capital, domestic, and average?

3.) If a stock is chosen at random, what is the probability that it is low-capital, international, and average?

- 4.) What percent of high-capital and international stocks were below average?
- 5.) What percent of high-capital and international stocks were below average?
- 6.) What percent of international stocks was average?
- 7.) What percent of the domestic stocks was average?
- 8.) Using the data, estimate the probability that a high-capital domestic stock preforms at average?
- 9.) Using the data, what type of stock would you suggest Javier invest in if he wants to limit his risk? Explain your choice.
- 10.) Use your tree diagram to write three facts that would help Javier decide in which types of stocks to invest.