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- p. 6, l. 1: x_n should read x
- p. 16, l. -3: "greater that" should read "greater than"
- p. 24, l. -6: " $\mathbf{P}(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \cdots \cap A_3)$ " should read " $\mathbf{P}(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \cdots \cap A_n)$ "
- p. 49, near end of Example 1.31: " T_1 , T_1 , and T_3 " should read " T_1 , T_2 , and T_3 "
- p. 97, 3rd line of Example 2.11: "... one person, and each assignment of hats to persons is equally likely."
- p. 111, beginning of 2nd paragraph: " $\mathbf{P}(A > 0)$ " should read " $\mathbf{P}(A) > 0$ "
- p. 112, l. -9: " $\tilde{X} = X \mathbf{E}[Y]$ " should read " $\tilde{X} = X \mathbf{E}[X]$ "
- p. 113, l. 2: " $\tilde{X} = X \mathbf{E}[Y]$ " should read " $\tilde{X} = X \mathbf{E}[X]$ "
- p. 117, last line: " $p_Y(y)$ " should read " $p_Z(z)$ "
- p. 189, Fig. 3.25: in the right-hand-side part of the figure, the shaded part corresponding to negative x (the small triangle to the left of the origin) should not be shaded
- p. 194, l. 4: " $(1 p\lambda)e^{-\lambda x}$ " should read " $(1 p)\lambda e^{-\lambda x}$ "
- p. 197, second line of part (b): "parameter p" should read "parameter λ "
- p. 199, l. 1: " $p_Y(1)$ " should read " $p_Y(5)$ "
- p. 205, bottom: last six occurrences of "Z" should be "z":

$$F_Z(z) = \mathbf{P} \big(\min\{X, Y\} \le z \big)$$

= 1 - $\mathbf{P} \big(\min\{X, Y\} > z \big)$
= 1 - $\mathbf{P}(X > z, Y > z)$
= 1 - $\mathbf{P}(X > z)\mathbf{P}(Y > z)$

- p. 220, l. 6: For the geometric random variable, "k = 0, 1, ..." should read "k = 1, 2, ..."
- p. 220, l. -5: For the exponential random variable, " $(s > \lambda)$ " should read " $(s < \lambda)$ "
- p. 221, Example 4.13: in the definition of $p_Y(y)$, "if x =" should be replaced by "if y =", three times
- p. 234, 5th line of shaded box: "We assume that all of these random variables are independent", should read, "We assume that all of these random variables are independent and identically distributed"
- p. 249, l. 14: "Since X and Y are independent" should read "Since \overline{X} and \overline{Y} are independent"
- p. 264: "Schwartz" should read "Schwarz" (3 times)
- p. 276, 2nd line of Example 5.3: "arises" should read "arrives"
- p. 318, Figure 6.4: the "r" next to the arc from node (2,4) to node 1 should be deleted
- p. 318: " $\mathbf{P}(X_0 = i_0, X_1 = i_1, \dots, X_{i_n} = i_n)$ " should read " $\mathbf{P}(X_0 = i_0, X_1 = i_1, \dots, X_n = i_n)$ " (3 times)
- p. 340, two-thirds down: "Since $a_i = 0$ " should read "Since $a_0 = 0$ "

- p. 350, l. 6: $\lim_{n \to \infty}$ should read $\lim_{t \to \infty}$
- p. 403, l. –8: "Example 7.14" should read "Example 7.7"
- p. 408, second and third equations from the bottom should read:

$$\mathbf{E}\left[(X_1 + \dots + X_n)^4\right] = n\mathbf{E}[X_1^4] + 3n(n-1)\mathbf{E}[X_1^2X_2^2].$$
$$\mathbf{E}\left[(X_1 + \dots + X_n)^4\right] \le (n+3n(n-1))\mathbf{E}[X_1^4] \le 3n^2\mathbf{E}[X_1^4].$$

- p. 413: "Inequality, Schwartz" should read "Inequality, Schwarz"
- p. 415: "Schwartz" should read "Schwarz"