

Probability 201-1-2391 ASSIGNMENT 9

The correlation coefficient

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Problem 1

Three balls are distributed into three cells. Compute $R(X, Y)$ where X is the number of balls in cell 1 and Y is the number of balls in cell 2.

Problem 2

We throw a red dice and a green dice. Let X be the result in the red dice, and Y the maximum result. compute $R(X, Y)$.

Problem 3

Prove that if $Y = n - X$, then $R(X, Y) = -1$.

Problem 4

Let X be the number of sons in a family that has N children. Let Y be the number of daughters in that family. We define $T = X - Y$. Compute $Var(T)$.

Problem 5

A jar contains 5 balls that are numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. Three balls are randomly pulled out (they are NOT returned back). Let X be the minimal number pulled out, and Y be the maximal number pulled out.

- a) Construct the table of the joint distribution of (X, Y) and compute the marginal distributions of X and of Y .
- b) Compute $R(X, Y)$.