

INEQUALITIES, DISTRIBUTIONS, CONTINUOUS PROBABILITY, CONDITIONAL EXPECTATION 9

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1 LLSE

1.1 Introduction

Theorem: Consider two random variables, X, Y with a given distribution $P[X = x, Y = y]$. Then

$$L[Y|X] = E(Y) + \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)}(X - E(X))$$

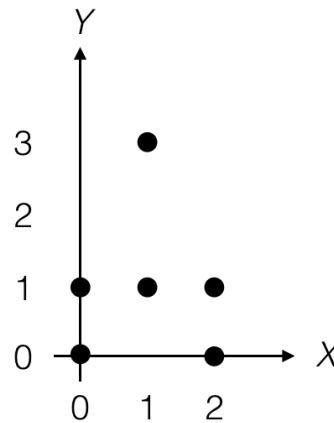
1.2 Questions

1. Assume that

$$Y = \alpha X + Z$$

where X and Z are independent and $E(X) = E(Z) = 0$. Find $L[X|Y]$.

2. The figure below shows the six equally likely values of the random pair (X, Y) . Specify the functions of:
 - $L[Y | X]$
 - $E(X | Y)$
 - $L[X | Y]$
 - $E(Y | X)$



2 Conditional Expectation

2.1 Introduction

The **conditional expectation** of Y given X is defined by

$$E[Y|X = x] = \sum_y y \cdot P[Y = y|X = x] = \sum_y y \cdot \frac{P[X = x, Y = y]}{P[X = x]}$$

Properties of Conditional Expectation

$$E(a|Y) = a$$

$$E(aX + bZ|Y) = a \cdot E(X|Y) + b \cdot E(Z|Y)$$

$$E(X|Y) \geq 0 \text{ if } X \geq 0$$

$$E(X|Y) = E(X) \text{ if } X, Y \text{ independent}$$

$$E(E(X|Y)) = E(X)$$

2.2 Questions

1. Prove $E(E(Y|X)) = E(Y)$

2. Prove $E(h(X) \cdot Y|X) = h(X) \cdot E(Y|X)$

