

⊛ Prove  $\sum_{i=1}^n 2 X_i \bar{X}_n = 2n \bar{X}_n^2$

Solution:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n 2 X_i \bar{X}_n \stackrel{(1)}{=} \sum_{i=1}^n 2 \bar{X}_n X_i$$

$$\stackrel{(2)}{=} 2 \bar{X}_n X_1 + 2 \bar{X}_n X_2 + \dots + 2 \bar{X}_n X_n$$

$$\stackrel{(3)}{=} 2 \bar{X}_n (X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n)$$

$$\stackrel{(4)}{=} 2 \bar{X}_n \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

$$\stackrel{(5)}{=} 2 \bar{X}_n \cdot n \bar{X}_n$$

$$\stackrel{(6)}{=} 2n \bar{X}_n^2$$

Notice that: (5) because  $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = n \bar{X}_n$

$$\text{or } \bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

by definition

(2) and (3) are implicit steps in solution 3a.

Here  $\bar{X}_n$  is a constant and we apply distributive property. /

⊛ You wonder:

$$\underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n 2\bar{X}_n X_i}_{LHS} = \underbrace{2n\bar{X}_n \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}_{RHS} \quad ?$$

$$RHS = 2n\bar{X}_n (X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n)$$

$$= 2n\bar{X}_n X_1 + 2n\bar{X}_n X_2 + \dots + 2n\bar{X}_n X_n$$

$$\neq 2\bar{X}_n X_1 + 2\bar{X}_n X_2 + \dots + 2\bar{X}_n X_n = LHS$$

→ Incorrect.