

Quiz 4

Let x_1, x_2 be 2 random samples from population
w/ mean = 0, variance = σ^2

$\rightarrow x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 / 4$, show it is unbiased estimator for σ^2

$$E(x_1^2) = \cancel{0} + \sigma^2$$

$$E(x_2^2) = \cancel{0} + \sigma^2$$

$$E(x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 / 4) = \frac{1}{4}(0) + \frac{3}{4}(\sigma^2)$$
$$\boxed{= \sigma^2}$$