

Q6.

Prove all properties of conditional expectation for random variable (r.v.).

Sol-n:

Recall that for

- (a) R.V.s X & Y on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$
- (b) $\mathcal{H} \subseteq \mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ all finite σ -algebras
- (c) $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

the following props hold:

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad E(X|\mathcal{G})(\omega) &= \sum_i E(X|\mathcal{G}_i) I_{\mathcal{G}_i}(\omega) \\ &= \sum_i I_{\mathcal{G}_i}(\omega) \sum_{\omega' \in \Omega} X(\omega') I_{\mathcal{G}_i}(\omega') \cdot \frac{\mathbb{P}(\{\omega'\})}{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{G}_i)} \\ &= \sum_{\mathcal{G}_i} I_{\mathcal{G}_i}(\omega) \cdot \sum_{\omega' \in \mathcal{G}_i} X(\omega') \cdot \frac{\mathbb{P}(\{\omega'\})}{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{G}_i)} \\ &= \sum_i I_{\mathcal{G}_i}(\omega) X_i \underbrace{\sum_{\omega' \in \mathcal{G}_i} \frac{\mathbb{P}(\omega')}{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{G}_i)}}_{=1} \\ &= \sum_i X_i I_{\mathcal{G}_i}(\omega) = X(\omega) \quad , \quad \text{thus} \\ E(X|\mathcal{G}) &= X \quad \checkmark \quad \textcircled{1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 ② E(aX + bY | G)(\omega) &= \sum_i \underbrace{E(aX + bY | G_i)}_{E(\#) = \#} I_{G_i}(\omega) \\
 &\stackrel{E(\#) = \#}{=} \sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) \cdot \sum_{\omega' \in G_i} (aX + bY)(\omega') \frac{P(\omega')}{P(G_i)} \\
 &= \sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) \underbrace{\sum_{\omega' \in G_i} (aX(\omega') + bY(\omega'))}_{\underbrace{aX(\omega') + bY(\omega')}_{E(Y|G_i)}} \frac{P(\omega')}{P(G_i)} \\
 &= \sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) \underbrace{\sum_{\omega' \in G_i} aX(\omega') \cdot \frac{P(\omega')}{P(G_i)}}_{\underbrace{a \sum_i E(X|G_i) \cdot I_{G_i}(\omega)}_{E(X|G)}} + \underbrace{\sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) \cdot \sum_{\omega' \in G_i} bY(\omega') \frac{P(\omega')}{P(G_i)}}_{\underbrace{b \sum_i E(Y|G_i) \cdot I_{G_i}(\omega)}_{E(Y|G_i)}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= a \sum_i E(X|G_i) \cdot I_{G_i}(\omega) + b \sum_i E(Y|G_i) \cdot I_{G_i}(\omega) \\
 &= a E(X|G)(\omega) + b E(Y|G)(\omega) \Rightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$$E(aX + bY | G) = aE(X|G) + bE(Y|G) \quad \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 ⑤ E(X|G)(\omega) &= \sum_i \underbrace{E(X|G_i)}_{\geq 0 \text{ since } X \geq 0} I_{G_i}(\omega) \\
 &= \sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) \underbrace{\sum_{\omega' \in G_i} X(\omega') \cdot \frac{P(\omega')}{P(G_i)}}_{\geq 0 \text{ since } X \geq 0} \Rightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(X|G) \geq 0 \text{ if } X \geq 0. \quad \checkmark$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{4} \quad E[E(X|G)] &= \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} E(X|G)(\omega) P(\omega) \\
 &= \sum_i E(X|G_i) \cdot P(G_i) \\
 &= \sum_i \frac{E(X \cdot I_{G_i})}{P(G_i)} \cdot P(G_i) \\
 &= \sum_i E(X \cdot I_{G_i}) = E\left(X \sum_i I_{G_i}\right) \\
 &= E(X) . \quad \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{5} \quad E[X|G](\omega) &= \sum_i E(X|G_i) I_{G_i}(\omega) \\
 &= \sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) \sum_i x(\omega') \frac{P(\{\omega' \mid \omega' \in G_i\})}{P(G_i)} \\
 &= \sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) \underbrace{\sum_{\omega' \in \Omega} \frac{x(\omega') P(\{\omega' \mid \omega' \in G_i\})}{P(G_i)}}_{\sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) \cdot E(X)} \\
 &\quad \sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) \cdot E(X) = E(X) \sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) \stackrel{=1}{=} \\
 E(X|G) &= E(X) . \quad \checkmark \quad = E(X) . \quad \Rightarrow \\
 &\quad \textcircled{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad E[XY|G](\omega)$$

$$= \sum_i \underbrace{E(XY|G_i)}_{\downarrow} \cdot I_{G_i}(\omega)$$

$$= \sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) \sum_{\omega' \in G_i} X(\omega') Y(\omega') \frac{P(\omega')}{P(G_i)}$$

$$= \sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) X_i \underbrace{\sum_{\omega' \in G_i} Y(\omega')}_{\frac{P(\omega')}{P(G_i)}}$$

$$= \sum_i I_{G_i}(\omega) X_i E(Y|G_i)$$

$$= X(\omega) E(Y|G)(\omega) \Rightarrow$$

$$E(XY|G) = X E(Y|G) \quad \checkmark$$

And finally

$$\textcircled{7} \quad E[E(X|G)|H](\omega)$$

$$= \sum_i \underbrace{E[E(X|G)|H_i]}_{\downarrow} \cdot I_{H_i}(\omega)$$

$$= \sum_i I(\omega) \cdot \sum_{\omega' \in H_i} E(X|G)(\omega') \frac{P(\omega')}{P(H_i)} =$$

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$$= \sum_i \frac{I_{H_i}(\omega)}{P(H_i)} \cdot \sum_m \underbrace{\sum_{\omega \in G_{m_i}} E(X|G)(\omega)}_{\nwarrow} \cdot P(\omega)$$

$$= \sum_i \frac{I_{H_i}(\omega)}{P(H_i)} \cdot \sum_{m_i} \underbrace{E(X|G_{m_i})}_{\downarrow} \cdot P(G_{m_i})$$

$$= \sum_i \frac{I_{H_i}(\omega)}{P(H_i)} \cdot \sum_{m_i} \frac{1}{P(G_{m_i})} \sum_{\omega' \in G_{m_i}} X(\omega') \cdot P(\omega') \cdot P(G_{m_i})$$

$$= \sum_i \frac{I_{H_i}(\omega)}{P(H_i)} \cdot \underbrace{\sum_{\omega'} X(\omega') P(\omega')}$$

$$= \sum_i I_{H_i}(\omega) \cdot \underbrace{\sum_i \frac{X(\omega') P(\omega')}{P(H_i)}}$$

$$\sum_i I_{H_i}(\omega) \cdot E(X|H_i)$$

$$= E(X|H) \Rightarrow$$

$$E[E(X|G)|H] = E(X|H), \checkmark$$

which completes all 6 properties' proof.

