

Assignment 5

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1 PROBLEM

Let $X \geq 0$ be a random variable on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) with $E(X) = 1$. Let $A \in \mathcal{F}$ be an event with $0 < P(A) < 1$. Which of the following defines another probability measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) ?

- 1) $Q(B) = P(A \cap B) \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{F}$
- 2) $Q(B) = P(A \cup B) \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{F}$
- 3) $Q(B) = E(XI_B) \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{F}$
- 4) $Q(B) = \begin{cases} P(A|B), & \text{if } P(B) > 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } P(B) = 0 \end{cases}$

2 SOLUTION

Any probability measure \mathbb{P} on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) is a function from \mathcal{F} to $[0, 1]$ with the following properties

- 1) $\mathbb{P}(\phi) = 0$
- 2) $\mathbb{P}(\Omega) = 1$
- 3) If A_1, A_2, \dots are disjoint \mathcal{F} -measurable sets then $\mathbb{P}(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(A_i)$

Now we know that $E(XI_B) \geq 0 \quad \forall B$ as $X \geq 0$ also that for $Q(B) = E(XI_B) \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{F}$ to be valid probability measure

$$E(XI_B) = E(X \times 1) = 1 \text{ when } B = \Omega \quad (2.0.1)$$

$$E(XI_B) = E(X \times 0) = 0 \text{ when } B = \phi \quad (2.0.2)$$

Let $B' = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$, where A_i are disjoint sets $\in \mathcal{F}$

$$\Rightarrow E(XI_{B'}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} E(XI_{A_i}) \quad (2.0.3)$$

Now to prove that (2.0.3) is true

$$E(XI_B) = \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} X(\omega)P(\omega) \times I_B(\omega) \quad (2.0.4)$$

Now $I_B(\omega)$ is indicator function which is 1 if $\omega \in B$ and 0 if $\omega \notin B$ (2.0.5)

$$\Rightarrow E(XI_B) = \sum_{\omega \in B} X(\omega)P(\omega) \quad (2.0.6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} E(XI_{A_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\omega \in A_i} X(\omega)P(\omega) \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\omega \in B'} X(\omega)P(\omega) = E(XI_{B'}) \quad (2.0.8)$$

This proves that (2.0.3) is true

Similarly to prove (2.0.1) and (2.0.2)

if $B = \phi$

$$\Rightarrow E(XI_B) = \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} X(\omega)P(\omega) \times 0 = 0 \quad (2.0.9)$$

Also if $B = \Omega$

$$\Rightarrow E(XI_B) = \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} X(\omega)P(\omega) \times 1 = E(X) = 1 \quad (2.0.10)$$

This proves that (2.0.1) and (2.0.2) are true Now we can state that

$$Q(B) = E(XI_B) \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{F}$$

is a well defined probability measure.

\Rightarrow option 3 is correct answer.