

# \* Mean-Squared Estimation of Random Variable \*

[A] • Some random experiment is conducted.  
Now without using any model, we are interested in knowing what is the next outcome?

→ let us first consider the estimate of  $X$  by using estimate as ~~to~~ some constant,  $b$ .

∴ we need to use some kind of "measure"  
so that error in estimate is minimum/zero

e.g.,

- $E(X-b)$
- $E|X-b|$
- $E[(X-b)^2]$
- etc.

} all these measures lead to different answers.

- Consider,  $E[(X-b)^2]$  as a measure.  
and try to minimize the error.

i.e.,  $\frac{d}{db} E[(X-b)^2]$  has to be minimum.

$$\therefore \frac{d}{db} E[(X-b)^2] = 0.$$

This is called "Minimum mean-squared estimation"  
(MMSE).

$$\frac{d}{db} E[(X-b)^2] = \frac{d}{db} [E(\cancel{X^2}) + E(b^2) - 2bE(X)] = 0.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 2b - 2E(X) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{b = E(X)} \Rightarrow \text{next estimated value will be } E(X).$$

Therefore,  $\min E[(X-b)^2] \Rightarrow \boxed{\hat{X} = E(X)}$

normally, written as  $\hat{X}$   
(estimate of  $X$ ).

### Lab experiment:

- Take  $X \sim$  known pdf (to verify)
- find  $E(X)$
- mean-sub  $(X - E(X))$
- square it  $(X - E(X))^2$
- do  $E[(X - E(X))^2]$ .

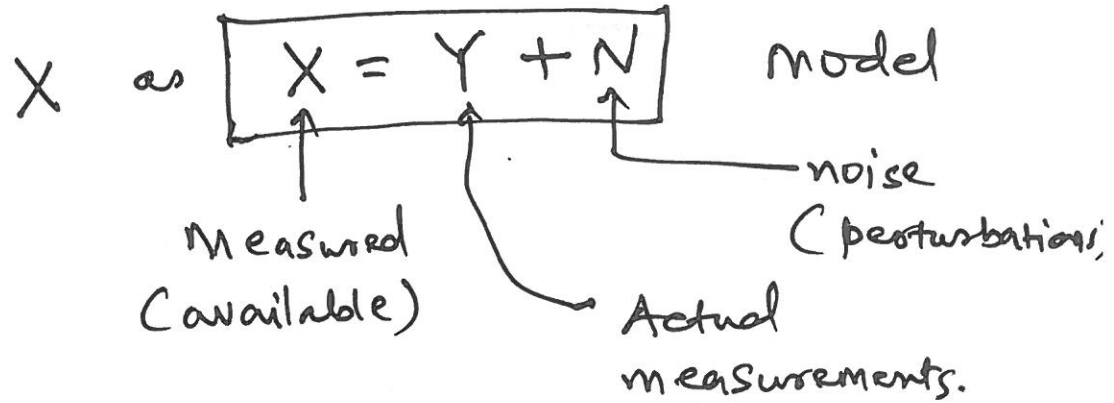


Here, we are not knowing anything about  $f_X(x)$   
only  $X$  is available

Then, mean is the best estimate (MSE sense)

check: take some other value  $\neq b$ , i.e.,  $b \neq E(X)$ , then error will be more w.r.t.  $b = E(X)$

[B]. Now, consider <sup>(measured)</sup> received data



problem : Given, X  
estimate, Y

- Let's assume linear relationship between X and Y.

i.e.,  $\hat{Y} = aX + b$

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$\left. \begin{array}{l} a, b \text{ are} \\ \text{unknown} \end{array} \right\} \text{to be estimated}$

$$\therefore \text{minimize } E[(Y - \hat{Y})^2]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \arg \min_{a, b} E[(Y - (aX + b))^2]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \arg \min_{a, b} E[(Y - aX - b)^2]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \arg \min_{a, b} E[Y^2 - 2aXY + a^2X^2 - 2bY + 2abX + b^2]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \arg \min_{a, b} E[Y^2] - 2aE[XY] + a^2E(X^2) - 2bE(Y) + 2abE(X) + b^2$$

$$\text{now, } \frac{\partial}{\partial a} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial b} = 0.$$

$$\frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial a} = 0 \Rightarrow -2E(XY) + 2aE(X^2) + 2bE(X)$$

$$\frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial b} = 0 \Rightarrow -2E(X) + 2aE(X) + 2b$$

$$\therefore a_{\text{opt}} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)}$$

$$b_{\text{opt}} = E(Y) - E(X) \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)}$$

Recall,  $\hat{Y} = a_{\text{opt}} X + b_{\text{opt}}$

$$= \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)} \cdot X + E(Y) - E(X) \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)}$$

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

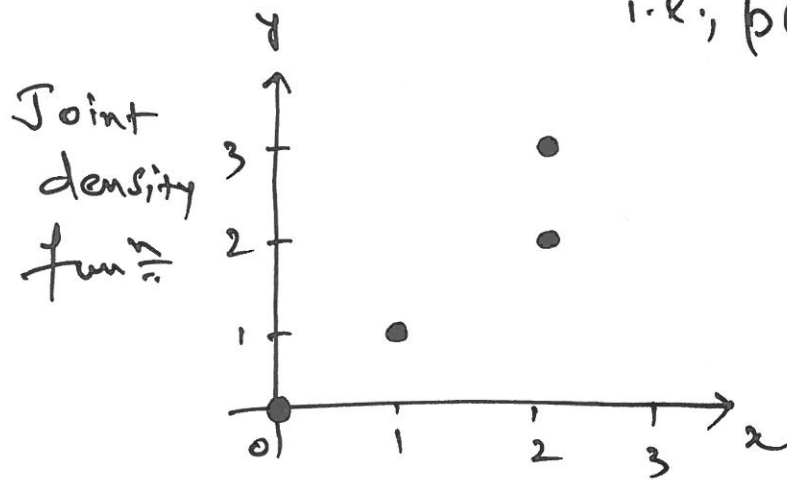
## Remarks:

- $E(Y)$ ,  $\text{cov}(X, Y)$ ,  $\text{Var}(X)$ ,  $E(X)$   
should be known.

∴ Need kind of "training" or "machine learning"  
prior to actual measurements  
or actual data  $X^{\frac{n}{i}}$ .

- The eq<sup>n</sup> of  $\hat{Y}$  represents the best linear  
estimate of  $Y$ , given  $X$ .

Example: Sample Space  $S_{XY} = \{(0,0), (1,1), (2,2), (2,3)\}$   
 with equiprobable outcomes,  
 i.e.,  $p(0,0) = p(1,1) = p(2,2) = p(2,3) = 1/4$ .



| X | Y |
|---|---|
| 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 2 |
| 2 | 3 |

Aim is to estimate  $Y$ , i.e.,  $\hat{Y}$ , given  $x$ .

$$\hat{Y} = E(Y) + \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)} [x - E(X)].$$



$$E(X) = \sum_i x_i p(x_i) = 0 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$E(Y) = 0 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$E(X^2) = \frac{9}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X) &= E(X^2) - (E(X))^2 \\ &= \frac{9}{4} - \frac{25}{16} = \frac{11}{16} \end{aligned}$$

$$E(XY) = \frac{11}{4}$$

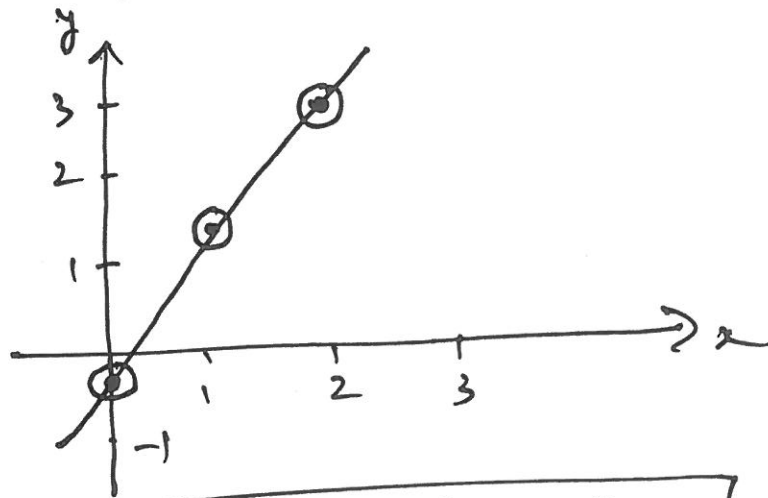
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X, Y) &= E(XY) - E(X) \cdot E(Y) \\ &= \frac{11}{4} - \frac{5}{4} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \\ &= \frac{7}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\hat{Y} = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{7/4}{11/16} [x - 5/4]$

$$\therefore \hat{Y} = \frac{14}{11}x - \frac{1}{11}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a_{\text{opt}} = 14/11 \\ b_{\text{opt}} = -1/11 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{estimated} \\ \text{unknowns.} \end{array}$$

| X | Y    | $\hat{Y}$ |
|---|------|-----------|
| 0 | 0    | $-1/11$   |
| 1 | 1    | $13/11$   |
| 2 | 2, 3 | $27/11$   |



$$\{Y - \hat{Y}\} = \left\{ \frac{1}{11}, -\frac{2}{11}, -\frac{5}{11}, +\frac{6}{11} \right\}$$

all are equiprobable

$$\therefore \underbrace{E\{(Y - \hat{Y})^2\}}_{\text{MSE}} = \frac{33}{242}$$

Remark: we have done  $E[(Y - (aX + b))^2]$   
minimum

$$\therefore \frac{\partial}{\partial a} [\cdot] = -2 E \left[ \underbrace{(Y - (aX + b))}_{\text{error}} \underbrace{X}_{\text{data}} \right] = 0$$

For MMSE, error is "orthogonal" to data (c.v.)

$$\therefore E[\text{error} \cdot \text{data}] = 0.$$

Hence, Geometrically we can solve the problem  
by making error orthogonal to the data.

(Least-Squares projection)

check:

error

data (X)

$$1/11$$

$$0$$

$$-2/11$$

$$1$$

$$-5/11$$

$$2$$

dot product

$$6/11$$

$$2$$

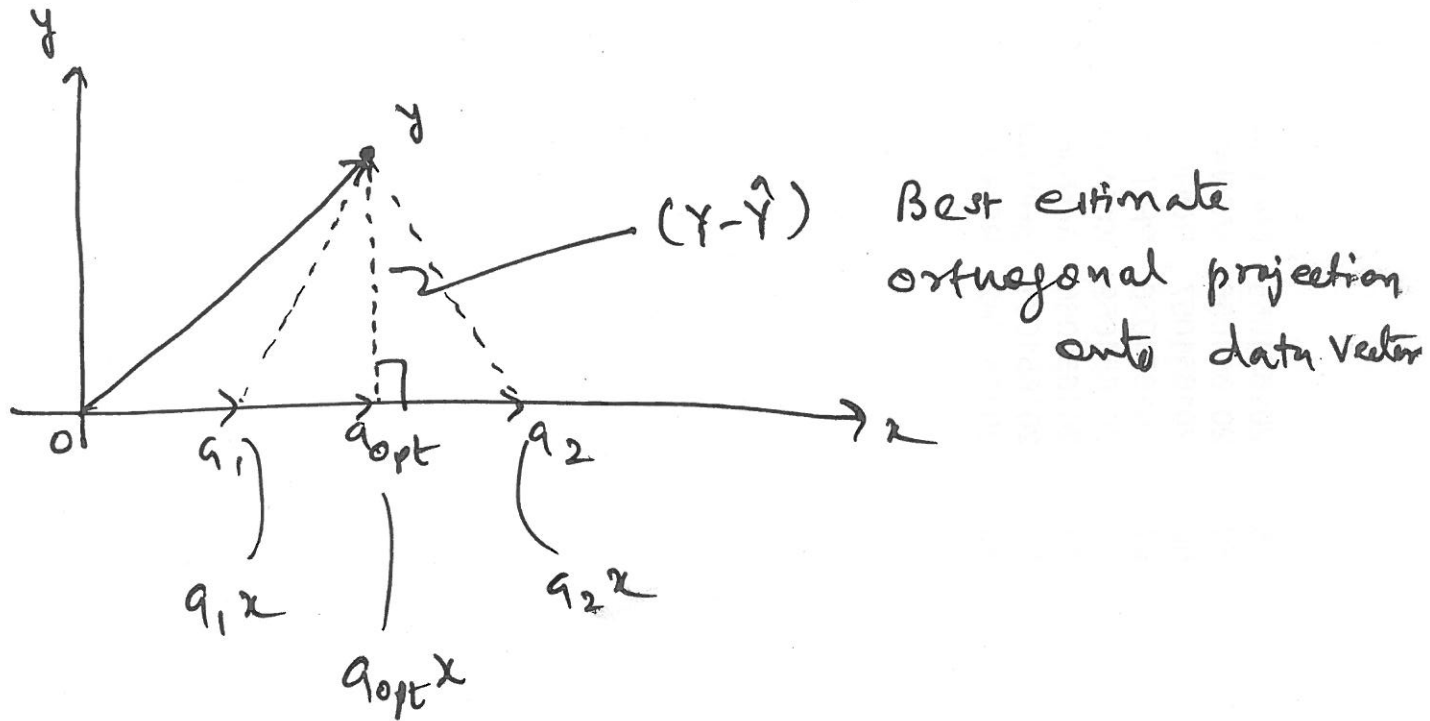
$$\begin{aligned} (Y - \hat{Y}) \cdot X &= \left( \frac{1}{11} \cdot 0 \right) + \left( -\frac{2}{11} \cdot 1 \right) + \left( -\frac{5}{11} \cdot 2 \right) + \left( \frac{6}{11} \cdot 2 \right) \\ &= -\frac{2}{11} - \frac{10}{11} + \frac{12}{11} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

dot product is zero  $\therefore$

error  $\perp$  data

MMSE / LSE

Say, we have  $Y = aX$   
 $\therefore \hat{Y} = a_{opt} X$



## \* Least-squares estimate (LSE)

- $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$       given,  $A, \underline{b}$  , estimate  $\underline{x}$   
when  $\|A\underline{x} - \underline{b}\| \neq 0$

pre-multiply both the sides by  $A^T$ ,

$$\Leftrightarrow A^T A \underline{x} = A^T \underline{b}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underline{\hat{x}} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \underline{b}$$

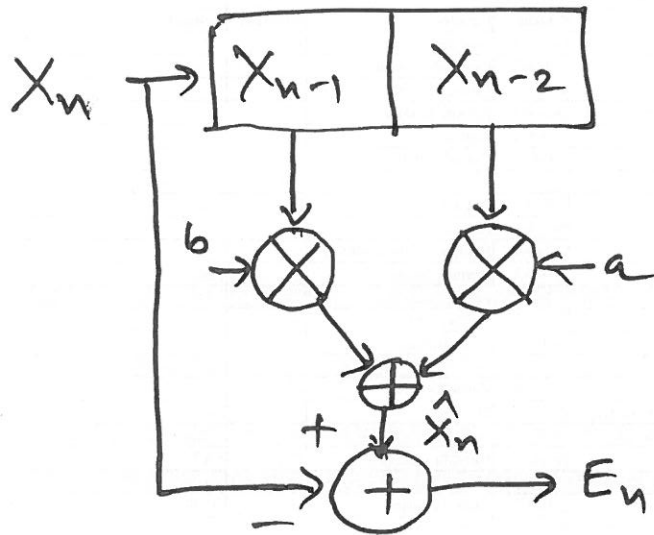
$\Rightarrow$  this will make

$$\|A\underline{x} - \underline{b}\|_2 \text{ minimum}$$

This is algebraic version of MMSE / LSE.

Lab Expt:  
Application:

Second-order prediction of Speech.



Two-tap linear predictor  
for speech processing.

$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  Sequence of  
Speech samples

estimate  $a, b$   
→ predictor  
Coefficients

s.t.  $E(X_n - \hat{X}_n)^2$  is min.

where,  $\hat{X}_n = aX_{n-2} + bX_{n-1}$

e.g.,  $X_3 = aX_1 + bX_2$

So & so forth.

- It is common practice to model speech samples as
  - zero mean
  - $\sigma^2$  variance
  - $\text{cov}(\cdot)$  that does not depend on the specific index of the samples, but rather on the separation bet<sup>w</sup> them  
i.e.,  $\text{cov}(x_j, x_k) = \rho_{|j-k|} \sigma^2$ .

- The eq<sup>n</sup> for optimum lin. predictor coeff. becomes

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \rho_1 = 0.825 \\ \rho_2 = 0.562 \end{array} \right\} \quad \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho_1 \\ \rho_1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} \rho_2 \\ \rho_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where,  $a = \frac{\rho_2 - \rho_1^2}{1 - \rho_1^2}$  ;  $b = \frac{\rho_1 (1 - \rho_1^2)}{1 - \rho_1^2}$ .