

Question #3

Key: B

The kernel is a triangle with a base of 4 and a height at the middle of 0.5 (so the area is 1). The length of the base is twice the bandwidth. Any observation within 2 of 2.5 will contribute to the estimate. For the observation at 2, when the triangle is centered at 2, the height of the triangle at 2.5 is .375 (it is one-quarter the way from 2 to the end of the triangle at 4 and so the height is one-quarter the way from 0.5 to 0). Similarly the points at 3 are also 0.5 away and so the height of the associated triangle is also .375. Each triangle height is weighted by the empirical probability at the associated point. So the estimate at 2.5 is $(1/5)(3/8) + (3/5)(3/8) + (1/5)(0) = 12/40$.