

c) Find the correlation coefficient of U and V.

$$\rho_{UV} = \frac{\text{Cov}[U, V]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[U] \text{Var}[V]}}$$

$$\text{Cov}[U, V] = \text{Cov}[2X + Y, 3X - 2Y]$$

$$= \text{Cov}[2X, 3X] + \text{Cov}[2X, -2Y]$$

$$+ \text{Cov}[Y, 3X] + \text{Cov}[Y, -2Y]$$

$$= 6 \text{Var}[X] - 4 \text{Cov}[X, Y]$$

$$+ 3 \text{Cov}[Y, X] - 2 \text{Var}[Y]$$

$$= 6 \cdot 9 - 2 \cdot 16 = 22$$

$$\rho_{UV} = \frac{22}{\sqrt{52 \cdot 145}} = 0.2533$$

## Functions of Two R.V.s

Often, we are interested in one or more functions of r.v.s from a random experiment.

### One Function of Two R.V.s

Let  $X, Y$  be r.v.s with  $f_{X,Y}$  and let  $Z = g(X, Y)$ .

Would like to find  $f_Z(z)$  (or  $P_Z(z_k)$ ) in terms of  $g(x, y)$  and  $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$  (or  $P_{X,Y}(x_i, y_j)$ ).

### Distribution Method

We can use the distribution method as before.

$$\begin{aligned} F_Z(z) &= \Pr(Z \leq z) \\ &= \Pr(g(X, Y) \leq z) \\ &= \Pr((X, Y) \in \{(x, y) : g(x, y) \leq z\}) \\ &= \iint_{g(x, y) \leq z} f_{X,Y}(x, y) \, dx \, dy \end{aligned}$$

Then find

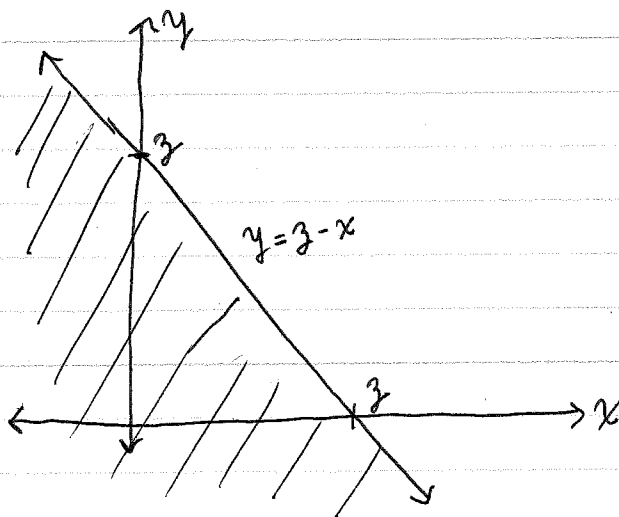
$$f_Z(z) = \frac{d}{dz} F_Z(z)$$

Note:  $\{(x, y) : g(x, y) \leq z\}$  now defines a region in the  $xy$ -plane

Ex Let  $Z = X + Y$ . Find cdf and pdf of  $Z$ .

Distribution Method

$$\begin{aligned} F_Z(z) &= \Pr(Z \leq z) \\ &= \Pr(X + Y \leq z) \\ &= \Pr(Y \leq z - X) \end{aligned}$$



$$F_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{z-x} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy dx$$

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Note: If  $X, Y$  are independent and  $Z = X + Y$ , then

$$f_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, z-x) dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) f_Y(z-x) dx$$

$$= f_X(z) * f_Y(z)$$

EX. Let  $X, Y$  be independent exponential r.v.s with mean 1. Let  $Z = X + Y$ .

Find  $f_Z(z)$ .

$$f_X(x) = e^{-x} u(x), \quad f_Y(y) = e^{-y} u(y)$$

$$f_Z(z) = f_X(z) * f_Y(z)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x} u(x) e^{-(z-x)} u(z-x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^z e^{-z} dx, \quad z \geq 0$$

$$= z e^{-z}, \quad z \geq 0$$

$$= 0, \quad \text{else}$$

Ex (HW 4, Problem 2)

A binary transmission system transmits a signal  $X$  that is either  $-1$  or  $1$ , with  $\Pr(X=-1) = 2/3$ .

The received signal is  $Y = X + N$ , where  $N$  is a Gaussian r.v. with mean  $0$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ . Assume  $X, N$  are independent.

Find  $f_Y(y)$ .

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(y) * f_N(y)$$

$$f_N(n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(\frac{-n^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$f_X(x) = \sum_{x_i} \Pr(X=x_i) \delta(x-x_i)$$

$$= \Pr(X=-1) \delta(x+1) + \Pr(X=1) \delta(x-1)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \delta(x+1) + \frac{1}{3} \delta(x-1)$$

$$f_Y(y) = f_N(y) * \left(\frac{2}{3} \delta(y+1) + \frac{1}{3} \delta(y-1)\right)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} f_N(y+1) + \frac{1}{3} f_N(y-1)$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(\frac{-(y+1)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(\frac{-(y-1)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

If  $X, Y$  are discrete r.v.s and  $Z = g(X, Y)$ , then we can find  $P_Z(z)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} P_Z(z_k) &= \Pr(Z = z_k) \\ &= \Pr(g(X, Y) = z_k) \\ &= \sum_{g(x_i, y_j) = z_k} \sum P_{X, Y}(x_i, y_j) \end{aligned}$$

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### Two Functions of Two R.V.s

Let  $X, Y$  be r.v.s and let

$$U = g(X, Y), \quad V = h(X, Y)$$

Want to find  $f_{U, V}(u, v)$  (or  $P_{U, V}(u_k, v_l)$ ) in terms of  $g(x, y)$  and  $h(x, y)$  and

$$f_{X, Y}(x, y) \quad (\text{or } P_{X, Y}(x_i, y_j))$$

Case 1:  $X, Y$  discrete r.v.s then

$$\begin{aligned} P_{U, V}(u_k, v_l) &= \Pr(U = u_k, V = v_l) \\ &= \Pr(g(X, Y) = u_k, h(X, Y) = v_l) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{g(x_i, y_j) = u_k \\ h(x_i, y_j) = v_l}} \sum P_{X, Y}(x_i, y_j) \end{aligned}$$