

ECE 313
Probability with Engineering Applications
Lecture 37 – Jointly Gaussian
Random Variables

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- Expectation (using joint densities)
 $E[g(X,Y)] = \iint g(u,v) f_{XY}(u,v) du dv$
- If $X \& Y$ indep.
 $E[g(X)h(Y)] = E[g(X)]E[h(Y)]$
- Covariance
 $cov(X,Y) = E\{(X-\mu_X)(Y-\mu_Y)\} = E[XY] - \mu_X\mu_Y$
 $cov(X,Y) = 0 \Rightarrow X \& Y$ uncorrelated.
 Independent $X \& Y \Rightarrow$ uncorrelated $X \& Y$
 $X \& Y$ uncorrelated does NOT imply $X \& Y$ independent.

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Variance of a sum of rv's: $Z = X + Y$

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 $Var(Z) = E\{Z^2\} - E[Z]^2$
 $Var(X+Y) = E\{(X+Y)^2\} - (E\{X+Y\})^2$
 $= E\{X^2 + 2XY + Y^2\} - (E[X] + E[Y])^2$
 $= E[X^2] + 2E[XY] + E[Y^2] - \mu_X^2 - 2\mu_X\mu_Y - \mu_Y^2$
 $= E[X^2] - \mu_X^2 + E[Y^2] - \mu_Y^2 + 2(E[XY] - \mu_X\mu_Y)$
 $Var(X+Y) = \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2 + 2cov(X,Y)$

Exercise:
 Find $Var(X-Y)$

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Var (aX + bY)

$Var(aX) = a^2 Var(X)$
 $cov(aX, bY) = ab cov(X, Y)$

$Var(aX + bY) = Var(aX) + Var(bY) + 2cov(aX, bY)$
 $= a^2 Var(X) + b^2 Var(Y) + 2ab cov(X, Y)$

$Var(aX - bY) = a^2 Var(X) + b^2 Var(Y) - 2ab cov(X, Y)$

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Correlation Coefficient

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 $\rho(X,Y) = \frac{cov(X,Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} = \frac{cov(X,Y)}{\sqrt{\sigma_X^2 \sigma_Y^2}}$ (Def.)

$0 \leq Var(X/\sigma_X + Y/\sigma_Y) = \frac{1}{\sigma_X^2} Var(X) + \frac{1}{\sigma_Y^2} Var(Y) + \frac{2}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} cov(X,Y)$
 $0 \leq 2 + 2\rho \Rightarrow \rho \geq -1$

$0 \leq Var(X/\sigma_X - Y/\sigma_Y) = \frac{1}{\sigma_X^2} Var(X) + \frac{1}{\sigma_Y^2} Var(Y) - \frac{2}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y} cov(X,Y)$
 $0 \leq 2 - 2\rho \Rightarrow \rho \leq 1$

$|\rho| \leq 1$

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$Var(X/\sigma_X - Y/\sigma_Y) = 0 \Rightarrow$ with probability one
 $X/\sigma_X - Y/\sigma_Y = K$
 $Y = (\sigma_Y/\sigma_X)X + K'$

$\rho = -1 \Rightarrow$ perf. (neg.) correlated

$\rho > 0 \Rightarrow X$ tends to increase as Y increases
 $\rho < 0 \Rightarrow$ " " " decrease " " "

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Jointly Gaussian rv's

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 $X+Y$ are Joint. Gaussian if
 $f_{XY}(u,v) = C e^{-Q(u,v)}$
 $C = \frac{1}{2\pi \sigma_x \sigma_y \sqrt{1-\rho^2}}$
 $Q(u,v) = \frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left[\frac{(u-\mu_x)^2}{\sigma_x^2} - 2\rho \frac{(u-\mu_x)(v-\mu_y)}{\sigma_x \sigma_y} + \frac{(v-\mu_y)^2}{\sigma_y^2} \right]$
 $\mu_x, \mu_y, \sigma_x^2, \sigma_y^2$ are as usual
 ρ is corr. coef. for $X+Y$, $\rho \neq 1, \rho \neq -1$




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 $f_Y(v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_y} e^{-\frac{(v-\mu_y)^2}{2\sigma_y^2}}$
 $\Rightarrow X+Y$ jointly Gaussian $\Rightarrow X$ Gauss. + Y Gauss.
 $\Rightarrow X$ Gauss. + Y Gauss. $\not\Rightarrow X+Y$ jointly Gauss.
Exercise:
 $f_{XY}(u,v) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi} e^{-(u+iv)^2/2} & : \text{sym}(u) = \text{sym}(v) \\ 0 & : \text{else} \end{cases}$

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 $Q(u,v) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{(u-\mu_x)^2}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{(v-\mu_y)^2}{\sigma_y^2} \right]$
 $C = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_x} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_y}$
 $\Rightarrow C e^{-Q(u,v)} = \frac{1}{\sigma_x \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(u-\mu_x)^2}{2\sigma_x^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma_y \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(v-\mu_y)^2}{2\sigma_y^2}}$
 $\Rightarrow X+Y$ independent !!!

How do they look?

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 A contour of a surface defined by f_{XY} is the set $\{(u,v) | f_{XY}(u,v) = k\}$
 for some constant k . (aka level sets)
 $f_{XY}(u,v) = C e^{-Q(u,v)} = k \Rightarrow Q(u,v) = c$
 $Q(u,v) = \frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left[\frac{(u-\mu_x)^2}{\sigma_x^2} - 2\rho \frac{(u-\mu_x)(v-\mu_y)}{\sigma_x \sigma_y} + \frac{(v-\mu_y)^2}{\sigma_y^2} \right]$
 ellipse at (μ_x, μ_y) :
 $\rho = 0, \sigma_x = \sigma_y \Rightarrow$  $\rho = 0, \sigma_x > \sigma_y \Rightarrow$  $\rho > 0, \sigma_x = \sigma_y \Rightarrow$  $\rho > 0, \sigma_x > \sigma_y \Rightarrow$ 