## Chapter 3: Multiple Random Variables

| CLO3 | Define multiple random variables in terms of their PDF and CDF and <br> calculate joint moments such as the correlation and covariance. |
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## Objectives

1. Introduce Joint distribution, joint density, conditional distribution and density, Statistical independence
2. Introduce Expectations, correlations and joint characteristic functions

## 1. Vector Random Variables

- Let two random variables $X$ with value $x$ and $Y$ with value $y$ are defined on a sample space $S$, then the random point $(x, y)$ is a random vector in the $X Y$ plane.
- In the general case where $N$ r.v's. $X_{1}, X_{2}, \ldots X_{N}$ are defined on a sample space $S$, they become N -dimensional random vector or N -dimensional r.v.


## 2. Joint distribution

- Let two events $A=\{X \leq x\}$ and $B=\{Y \leq y\}$, ( $X$ and $Y$ two random variables $)$ with probability distribution functions $F_{X}(x)$ and $F_{Y}(y)$, respectively:

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\begin{align*}
& F_{X}(x)=P(X \leq x)  \tag{1}\\
& F_{Y}(y)=P(Y \leq y) \tag{2}
\end{align*}
$$

- The probability of the joint event $\{X \leq x, Y \leq y\}$, which is a function of the members $x$ and $y$ is called the joint probability distribution function $P\{X \leq x, Y \leq y\}=P(A \cap B)$. It is given as follows:

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\begin{equation*}
F_{X, Y}(x, y)=P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

- If $X$ and $Y$ are two discrete random variables, where $X$ have $N$ possible values $x_{n}$ and $Y$ have $M$ possible values $y_{m}$, then:

- If $X$ and $Y$ are two continues random variables, then:

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\begin{equation*}
F_{X, Y}(x, y)=\int_{-\infty}^{y} \int_{-\infty}^{x} f_{X, Y}(u, v) d u d v \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Example 1:

Let $X$ and $Y$ be two discrete random variables. Let us assume that the joint space has only three possible elements $(1,1),(2,1)$ and $(3,3)$. The probabilities of these events are:
$P(1,1)=0.2, P(2,1)=0.3$, and $P(3,3)=0.5$.
Find and plot $F_{X, Y}(x, y)$.

## Solution:




Proprieties of the joint distribution $F_{X, Y}(x, y)$ :

1. $\quad \boldsymbol{F}_{X, Y}(-\infty,-\infty)=\boldsymbol{F}_{X, Y}(-\infty, \boldsymbol{y})=\boldsymbol{F}_{X, Y}(\boldsymbol{x},-\infty)=\mathbf{0}$
2. $\quad \boldsymbol{F}_{X, Y}(\infty, \infty)=1$
3. $\mathbf{0} \leq \boldsymbol{F}_{X, Y}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) \leq \mathbf{1}$
4. $P\left\{x_{1}<X \leq x_{2}, y_{1}<Y \leq y_{2}\right\}=F_{X, Y}\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right)-F_{X, Y}\left(x_{1}, y_{2}\right)-F_{X, Y}\left(x_{2}, y_{1}\right)+$ $F_{X, Y}\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)$
5. $\quad \boldsymbol{F}_{\boldsymbol{X}, \boldsymbol{Y}}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$ is a non decreasing function of both $\boldsymbol{x}$ and $\boldsymbol{y}$

## Marginal distributions:

- The marginal distribution functions of one random variable is expressed as:

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\begin{array}{ll}
\checkmark & F_{X, Y}(x, \infty)=F_{X}(x) \\
\checkmark & F_{X, Y}(\infty, y)=F_{Y}(y)
\end{array}
$$

## Example 2:

$\boldsymbol{S}=\{(1,1),(2,1),(3,3)\}$
$P(1,1)=0.2, \quad P(2,1)=0.3, \quad P(3,3)=0.5$
Find $F_{X, Y}(x, y)$ and the marginal distributions $F_{\mathrm{X}}(x)$ and $F_{\mathrm{Y}}(y)$ of example 1

## Solution:

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\begin{aligned}
& \overline{\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y}}(x, y)}=P(1,1) u(x-1) u(y-1)+P(2,1) u(x-2) u(y-1)+ \\
& P(3,3) u(x-3) u(y-3) \\
& \quad=0.2 u(x-1) u(y-1)+0.3 u(x-2) u(y-1)+0.5 u(x-3) u(y-3)
\end{aligned}
$$

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\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{F}_{X}(\mathrm{x})=\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y}}(\mathrm{x}, \infty)=0.2 u(x-1)+0.3 u(x-2)+0.5 u(x-3) \\
& \mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{Y}}(\mathrm{y})=\mathrm{F}_{\mathrm{X}, \mathrm{Y}}(\infty, \mathrm{y})=0.2 u(y-1)+0.3 u(y-1)+0.5 u(y-3) \\
& =0.5 u(y-1)+0.5 u(y-3)
\end{aligned}
$$




## 3. Joint density

- For two continuous random variables $X$ and $Y$, the joint probability density function is given by:

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\begin{equation*}
f_{X, Y}(x, y)=\frac{\partial^{2} F_{X, Y}(x, y)}{\partial x \partial y} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

- If $X$ and $Y$, are tow discrete random variables then the joint probability density function is given by:

$$
\begin{equation*}
f_{X, Y}(x, y)=\sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{M} P\left(x_{n}, y_{m}\right) \delta\left(x-x_{n}\right) \delta\left(y-y_{m}\right) \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proprieties of the joint density function $f_{X, Y}(x, y)$ :

1. $f_{X, Y}(x, y) \geq 0$
2. $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y=1$
3. $F_{X, Y}(x, y)=\int_{-\infty}^{y} \int_{-\infty}^{x} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y$
4. $F_{X}(x)=\int_{-\infty}^{x} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d y d x, F_{Y}(y)=\int_{-\infty}^{y} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y$
5. $P\left\{x_{1}<X \leq x_{2}, y_{1}<Y \leq y_{2}\right\}=\int_{y_{1}}^{y_{2}} \int_{x_{1}}^{x_{2}} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y$
6. $f_{X}(x)=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d y, f_{Y}(y)=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x \quad$ (Marginal density
function)

## Example 3:

Let us consider the following joint probability density function of two random variables $X$ and $Y$ :
$f_{X, Y}(x, y)=u(x) u(y) x e^{-x(y+1)}$
Find the marginal probability density functions $f_{X}(x)$ and $f_{Y}(y)$

## Solution:

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\begin{aligned}
f_{X}(x) & =\int_{0}^{\infty} u(x) x e^{-x(y+1)} d y=\left.u(x) x e^{-x} \frac{e^{-x y}}{-x}\right|_{0} ^{\infty}=u(x) e^{-x} \\
f_{Y}(y) & =\int_{0}^{\infty} u(y) x e^{-x(y+1)} d x
\end{aligned}
$$

But $\int x e^{a x} d x=e^{a x}\left[\frac{x}{a}-\frac{1}{a^{2}}\right]$
$f_{Y}(y)=u(y)\left[e^{-x(y+1)}\left(\frac{-x}{(y+1)}-\frac{1}{(y+1)^{2}}\right]_{0}^{\infty}=\frac{u(y)}{(y+1)^{2}}\right.$

## 4. Conditional distribution and density

- The conditional distribution function of a random variable $X$, given event $B$ with $P(B) \neq$ 0 is:

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\begin{equation*}
F_{X}(x \mid B)=P\{X \leq x \mid B\}=\frac{P\{X \leq x \cap B\}}{P(B)} \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

- The corresponding conditional density function is:

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\begin{equation*}
f_{X}(x \mid B)=\frac{d F_{X}(x \mid B)}{d x} \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

- Often, we are interested in computing the distribution function of one random variable $X$ conditioned by the fact that the second variable has some specific values.
4.1 Point conditioning: The Radom variable has some specific value
- For continuous random variables:

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\begin{equation*}
f_{X}(x \mid y)=\frac{f_{X, Y}(x, y)}{f_{Y,}(y)} \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

Also, we have:

$$
\begin{equation*}
f_{Y}(y \mid x)=\frac{f_{X, Y}(x, y)}{f_{X,}(x)} \tag{11}
\end{equation*}
$$

- For discrete random variables:

Suppose we have:

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\begin{gather*}
f_{Y}(\mathrm{y})=\sum_{j=1}^{M} P\left(y_{j}\right) \delta\left(y-y_{j}\right)  \tag{12}\\
f_{X, Y}(x, y)=\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{M} P\left(x_{i}, y_{j}\right) \delta\left(x-x_{i}\right) \delta\left(y-y_{j}\right) \tag{13}
\end{gather*}
$$

Assume $y=y_{k}$ is the specific value of y , then:

$$
\begin{equation*}
F_{X}\left(x \mid Y=y_{k}\right)=\sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{P\left(x_{i}, y_{k}\right)}{P\left(y_{k}\right)} u\left(x-x_{i}\right) \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{equation*}
f_{X}\left(x \mid Y=y_{k}\right)=\sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{P\left(x_{i}, y_{k}\right)}{P\left(y_{k}\right)} \delta\left(x-x_{i}\right) \tag{15}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Example 4:

Let us consider the joint pdf: $f_{X, Y}(x, y)=u(x) u(y) x e^{-x(y+1)}$
Find $f_{Y}(y \mid x)$ if the marginal pdf of $X$ is given by: $f_{X}(x)=u(x) e^{-x}$

## Solution:

$f_{X, Y}(x, y)$ and $f_{X}(x)$ are nonzero only for $y>0$ and $x>0, f_{Y}(y \mid x)$ is nonzero only for $y>$ 0 and $x>0$, therefore, we keep $\mathrm{u}(\mathrm{x})$.
$f_{Y}(y \mid x)=\frac{f_{X, Y}(x, y)}{f_{X,}(x)}=u(x) u(y) x e^{-x y}$

## Example 5:

What represents the corresponding figure?
Find $f_{x}\left(x \mid y=y_{3}\right)$


## Solution:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& f_{x}\left(x \mid Y=y_{3}\right)=\sum_{i=1}^{2} \frac{P\left(x_{i}, y_{3}\right)}{P\left(y_{3}\right)} \delta\left(x-x_{i}\right) \\
& P\left(y_{3}\right)=\frac{4}{15}+\frac{5}{15}=\frac{9}{15} \\
& f_{X}\left(x \mid Y=y_{3}\right)=\frac{P\left(x_{1}, y_{3}\right)}{9 / 15} \delta\left(x-x_{1}\right)+\frac{P\left(x_{2}, y_{3}\right)}{9 / 15} \delta\left(x-x_{2}\right) \\
& =\frac{4}{9} \delta\left(x-x_{1}\right)+\frac{5}{9} \delta\left(x-x_{2}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

4.2 Interval conditioning: The Radom variable in the interval $\left\{y_{a}<Y \leq y_{b}\right\}$ $y_{a}$ and $y_{b}$ are real numbers.
$f_{x}\left(x \mid y_{a}<Y \leq y_{b}\right)=\frac{\int_{y_{a}}^{y_{b}} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d y}{\int_{y_{a}}^{y_{b}} f_{Y}(y) d y}=\frac{F_{X, Y}\left(x, y_{b}\right)-F_{X, Y}\left(x, y_{a}\right)}{\int_{y_{a}}^{y_{b}} f_{Y}(y) d y}$
and

$$
\begin{equation*}
F_{x}\left(x \mid y_{a}<Y \leq y_{b}\right)=\frac{\int_{y_{a}}^{y_{b}} \int_{-\infty}^{x} f_{X, Y}(u, v) d u d v}{\int_{y_{a}}^{y_{b}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X, Y}(u, v) d u d v} \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Example 6:

Let $f_{X, Y}(x, y)=u(x) u(y) x e^{-x(y+1)}$
$f_{X}(x)=u(x) e^{-x}$, and $\quad f_{Y}(y)=\frac{u(y)}{(y+1)^{2}}$
Find $\quad f_{X}(x \mid Y \leq y)$ ?

## Solution 6:

$f_{x}(x \mid y \leq y)=f_{x}(x \mid-\infty<y \leq y)=\frac{\int_{-\infty}^{y} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d y}{\int_{-\infty}^{y} f_{Y}(y) d y}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\int_{-\infty}^{y} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d y & =\int_{0}^{y} u(x) x e^{-x(y+1)} d y \\
& =\left.u(x) x e^{-x} \cdot \frac{e^{-x y}}{-x}\right|_{0} ^{y}=-u(x) e^{-x}\left[e^{-x y}-1\right] \\
& =u(x) e^{-x}\left[1-e^{-x y}\right] \quad y>0 \\
\int_{-\infty}^{y} f_{Y}(y) d y= & \int_{0}^{y} \frac{1}{(y+1)^{2}} d y=\left.\frac{-1}{y+1}\right|_{0} ^{y}=\frac{-1}{y+1}+1=\frac{y}{y+1} \quad y>0
\end{aligned}
$$

Then, $f_{X}(x \mid Y \leq y)=u(x) u(y) e^{-x}\left(1-e^{-x y}\right)\left(\frac{y+1}{y}\right)$

## 5. Statistical independence

- Two random variables $X$ and $Y$ are independent if:

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\begin{equation*}
F_{X, Y}(x, y)=F_{X}(x) F_{Y}(y) \tag{19}
\end{equation*}
$$

This means that

$$
\begin{equation*}
f_{X, Y}(x, y)=f_{X}(x) f_{Y}(y) \tag{20}
\end{equation*}
$$

- Note that if $X$ and $Y$ are independent, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
f_{X}(x \mid y)=f_{X}(x) \text { and } f_{X}(y \mid x)=f_{y}(y) \tag{21}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Example 7:

In example 6, are $X$ and $Y$ independent?

## Solution

$$
\begin{aligned}
& f_{X, Y}(x, y)=u(x) u(y) x e^{-x(y+1)} \\
& f_{X}(x) f_{Y}(y)=u(x) u(y) e^{-x} \cdot \frac{1}{(y+1)^{2}} \neq f_{X, Y}(x, y)
\end{aligned}
$$

$\Rightarrow X$ and $Y$ are not independent.

## Example 8:

Let $f_{X, Y}(x, y)=\frac{1}{12} u(x) u(y) e^{-\frac{x}{4}-\frac{y}{3}}$ are X and Y independent?

## Solution

$$
\begin{aligned}
& f_{X}(x)=\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{12} u(x) e^{-\frac{x}{4}-\frac{y}{3}} d y=\frac{u(x)}{12} e^{-\frac{x}{4}} \cdot-\left.3 e^{-\frac{y}{3}}\right|_{0} ^{\infty}=\frac{u(x)}{4} e^{\frac{-x}{4}} \\
& f_{Y}(y)=\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{12} u(y) e^{-\frac{x}{4}-\frac{y}{3}} d x=\frac{u(y)}{3} e^{\frac{-y}{3}}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
f_{X}(x) f_{Y}(y)=\frac{1}{12} u(x) u(y) e^{-\frac{x}{4}-\frac{y}{3}}=f_{X, Y}(x, y) \Rightarrow X \& Y \text { are independent. }
$$

## 6. Sum of two random variables

- Here the problem is to determine the probability density function of the sum of two independent random variables $X$ and $Y$ :

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\begin{equation*}
W=X+Y \tag{22}
\end{equation*}
$$

- The resulting probability density function of $W$ can be shown to be the convolution of the density functions of $X$ and $Y$ :

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\text { Convolution } \\
f_{W}(w)=f_{x}(x) * f_{Y}(y)  \tag{23}\\
f_{W}(w)=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y}(y) f_{X}(w-y) d y=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X}(x) f_{Y}(w-x) d x
\end{array}
$$

Proof:

- Let W equals the sum of two independent r.v.s X and Y

$$
\mathrm{W}=\mathrm{X}+\mathrm{Y}
$$

Then, $F_{W}(w)=P\{W \leq w\}=P\{X+Y \leq w\}$
$X+Y \leq w$ corresponds to the shaded area, therefore:

$$
F_{W}(w)=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{x=w-y} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y
$$



Since X and Y are independent:

$$
\begin{aligned}
F_{W}(w) & =\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{w-y} f_{Y}(y) f_{X}(x) d x d y \\
& =\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y}(y) \int_{-\infty}^{w-y} f_{X}(x) d x d y \\
& =\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y}(y) F_{X}(w-y) d y
\end{aligned}
$$

Differentiating w.r.t. $w$ :

$$
f_{W}(w)=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{Y}(y) f_{X}(w-y) d y=f_{Y}(w) * f_{X}(w)
$$

So, the density function of the sum of two independent r.v.s is the convolution of their density functions.

## Example 9:

Let us consider two independent random variables $X$ and $Y$ with the following pdfs:
$f_{X}(x)=\frac{1}{a}[u(x)-u(x-a)]$
$f_{Y}(y)=\frac{1}{b}[u(y)-u(y-b)]$ Where $0<a<b$
Find the pdf of $W=X+Y$

## Solution:





## 7. Central Limit Theorem

The probability distribution function of the sum of a large number of random variables approaches a Gaussian distribution.

## 8. Expectations and Correlations

- If $\boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$ is a function of two random variables $X$ and $Y$ (their joint probability density function $\boldsymbol{f}_{\boldsymbol{X}, \boldsymbol{Y}}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$ ). Then the expected value of $\boldsymbol{g}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$, a function of the two random variables $X$ and $Y$ is given by:

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\begin{equation*}
E[g(X, Y)]=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y \tag{24}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Example 10

Let $g(X, Y)=a X+b Y$, find $E[g(X, Y)]$ ?

## Solution:

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\begin{aligned}
\bar{g} & =E[g(X, Y)]=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty}(a X+b Y) f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y \\
& =\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a x f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y+\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} b y f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y \\
& =a \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X}(x) d x+b \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_{Y}(y) d y \\
& =a E[X]+b E[Y]
\end{aligned}
$$

- If we have n functions of random variables $\boldsymbol{g}_{1}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}), \boldsymbol{g}_{2}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}), \ldots, \boldsymbol{g}_{n}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$ then:

$$
E\left[g_{1}(x, y)+g_{2}(x, y)+\ldots+g_{n}(x, y)\right]=E\left[g_{1}(x, y)\right]+E\left[g_{2}(x, y)\right]+\cdots+E\left[g_{n}(x, y)\right]
$$

Which means that the expected value of the sum of the functions is equal to the sum of the expected values of the functions.

### 8.1 Joint Moments about the origin

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\begin{equation*}
m_{n k}=E\left[X^{n} Y^{k}\right]=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^{n} y^{k} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y \tag{25}
\end{equation*}
$$

We have the following proprieties:
$\checkmark m_{n 0}=E\left[X^{n}\right]$ are the moments of $X$
$\checkmark m_{0 k}=E\left[Y^{k}\right]$ are the moments of $Y$
$\checkmark$ The sum $\boldsymbol{n}+\boldsymbol{k}$ is called the order of the moments. ( $m_{20}, m_{02}$ and $m_{11}$ are called second order moments).
$\checkmark m_{10}=E[X]$ and $m_{01}=E[Y]$ are called first order moments.

### 8.2 Correlation

- The second-order joint moment $m_{11}$ is called the correlation between $X$ and $Y$.
- The correlation is a very important statistic and its denoted by $R_{X Y}$ :

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\begin{equation*}
R_{X Y}=E[X Y]=m_{11}=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x y f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y \tag{26}
\end{equation*}
$$

- If $R_{X Y}=E[X] E[Y]$ then $X$ and $Y$ are said to be uncorrelated.
- If $X$ and $Y$ are independent then $f_{X, Y}(\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y})=f_{X}(x) f_{Y}(y)$ and

$$
\begin{equation*}
R_{X Y}=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X}(x) d_{x} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_{Y}(y) d y=E[X] E[Y] \tag{27}
\end{equation*}
$$

- Therefore, if $X$ and $Y$ are independent then they are uncorrelated.
- However, if X and Y are uncorrelated, it is not necessary that they are independent.
- If $R_{X Y}=0$ then $X$ and $Y$ are called orthogonal.


## Example 11

Let $E[X]=3, \sigma_{x}{ }^{2}=2$, let also $Y=-6 X+22$
Find $R_{X Y}$ ?
Are $X$ and $Y$ Orthogonal?
Are $X$ and $Y$ uncorrelated?

## Solution:

$R_{X Y}=\mathrm{E}[\mathrm{XY}]=\mathrm{E}[\mathrm{X}(-6 \mathrm{X}+22)]$
$=E\left[-6 X^{2}\right]+E[22 X] \quad$ we know $\sigma_{x}^{2}=E\left[X^{2}\right]-\bar{X}^{2}$
$E\left[X^{2}\right]=\sigma_{x}{ }^{2}+\bar{X}^{2}=11$
$R_{X Y}=-6(11)+22(3)=0 \Rightarrow \mathrm{X}$ and Y are Orthogonal
$E[Y]=-6 E[X]+22=-6(3)+22=4 \Rightarrow \mathrm{E}[\mathrm{X}] \mathrm{E}[\mathrm{Y}]=12$
$R_{X Y} \neq E[X] E[Y] \Rightarrow \mathrm{X}$ and Y are not uncorrelated.

### 8.3 Joint central moments

- The joint central moment is defined as:

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\begin{align*}
& u_{n k}=E\left[(X-\bar{X})^{n}(Y-\bar{Y})^{k}\right] \\
& \quad=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty}(x-\bar{X})^{n}(y-\bar{Y})^{k} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y \tag{28}
\end{align*}
$$

We note that:
$u_{20}=E\left[(X-\bar{X})^{2}\right]=\sigma_{X}{ }^{2} \quad$ is the variance of $X$.
$u_{o 2}=E\left[(Y-\bar{Y})^{2}\right]=\sigma_{Y}{ }^{2}$ is the variance of $Y$.

### 8.4 Covariance

- The second order joint central moment $\boldsymbol{u}_{\mathbf{1 1}}$ is called the covariance of $X$ and $Y$ and denoted by $C_{X Y}$.

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\begin{equation*}
C_{X Y}=u_{11}=E[(X-\bar{X})(Y-\bar{Y})]=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty}(x-\bar{X})(y-\bar{Y}) f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y \tag{29}
\end{equation*}
$$

We have

$$
\begin{equation*}
C_{X Y}=E[X Y]-\bar{X} \bar{Y}=R_{X Y}-E[X] E[Y] \tag{30}
\end{equation*}
$$

- If $X$ and $Y$ are uncorrelated (or independent), then $C_{X Y}=0$
- If $X$ and $Y$ are orthogonal, then $C_{X Y=}-\bar{X} \bar{Y}$
- If $X$ and $Y$ are correlated, then the correlation coefficient $\boldsymbol{\rho}$ measures the degree of correlation between X and Y :

$$
\begin{equation*}
\rho=\frac{\mu_{11}}{\sqrt{\mu_{20} \mu_{02}}}=\frac{C_{X Y}}{\sigma_{X} \sigma_{Y}}=E\left[\left(\frac{X-\bar{X}}{\sigma_{X}}\right)\left(\frac{Y-\bar{Y}}{\sigma_{Y}}\right)\right] \tag{31}
\end{equation*}
$$

It is important to note that: $-1 \leq \rho \leq 1$

## Example 12

Let $g=a X+b Y$ find $\sigma_{g}{ }^{2}$ when $X$ and $Y$ are uncorrelated

## Solution:

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\begin{aligned}
& \sigma_{g}^{2}=E\left[g^{2}\right]-E[g]^{2} \\
& E\left[g^{2}\right]=E\left[(a X+b Y)^{2}\right]=a^{2} E\left[X^{2}\right]+2 a b E[X Y]+b^{2} E\left[Y^{2}\right] \\
& E[g]^{2}=(a E[X]+b[Y])^{2}=a^{2} \bar{X}^{2}+2 a b \bar{X} \bar{Y}+b^{2} \bar{Y}^{2} \\
& \sigma_{g}^{2}=\mathrm{a}^{2}\left(E\left[X^{2}\right]-\bar{X}^{2}\right)+2 a b(E[X Y]-\bar{X} \bar{Y})+b^{2}\left(E\left[Y^{2}\right]-\bar{Y}^{2}\right) \\
& \quad=a^{2} \sigma_{X}^{2}+2 a b C_{X Y}+b^{2} \sigma_{Y}^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

if $X$ and $Y$ are uncorrelated, $C_{X Y}=0 \Rightarrow \sigma_{g}{ }^{2}=a^{2} \sigma_{X}{ }^{2}+b^{2} \sigma_{Y}{ }^{2}$

## 9 Joint Characteristic functions

- The joint characteristic function of two random variables is defined by:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\emptyset_{X, Y}\left(\omega_{1}, \omega_{2}\right)=E\left[e^{j \omega_{1} X+j \omega_{2} Y}\right]=\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{e^{j \omega_{1} x+j \omega_{2} y}} f_{X, Y}(x, y) d x d y \tag{32}
\end{equation*}
$$

$\omega_{1}$ and $\omega_{2}$ are real numbers.

- By setting $\omega_{1}=0$ or $\omega_{2}=0$, we obtain the marginal characteristic function:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \emptyset_{X}\left(\omega_{1}\right)=\emptyset_{X, Y}\left(\omega_{1}, 0\right) \\
& \emptyset_{Y}\left(\omega_{2}\right)=\emptyset_{X, Y}\left(0, \omega_{2}\right) \tag{33}
\end{align*}
$$

- The joint moments are obtained as :

$$
\begin{equation*}
m_{n k}=\left.(-j)^{n+k} \frac{\partial^{n+k} \emptyset_{X, Y}\left(\omega_{1}, \omega_{2}\right)}{\partial_{\omega_{1}}{ }^{n} \partial_{\omega_{1}}{ }^{k}}\right|_{\omega_{1}=0, \omega_{2}=0} \tag{34}
\end{equation*}
$$

## Example 1

Let us consider the joint characteristic function: $\emptyset_{X, Y}\left(\omega_{1}, \omega_{2}\right)=e^{-2 \omega_{1}{ }^{2}-8 \omega_{2}{ }^{2}}$

Find $E[X]$ and $E[Y]$
Are $X$ and $Y$ uncorrelated?
Solution:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \begin{aligned}
E\left[X^{1} Y^{0}\right]=\bar{X} & =m_{10}=-\left.j \frac{d \emptyset_{X, Y}\left(w_{1}, w_{2}\right)}{d w_{1}}\right|_{w_{1}=w_{2}=0} \\
= & -\left.j\left(-4 w_{1} e^{-2 w_{1}^{2}-8 w_{2}^{2}}\right)\right|_{w_{1}=0=w_{2}}=0
\end{aligned} \\
& \begin{array}{r}
E\left[X^{0} Y^{1}\right]=\bar{Y}
\end{array}=m_{01}=-\left.j\left(-16 w_{2} e^{-2 w_{1}^{2}-8 w_{2}^{2}}\right)\right|_{w_{1}=w_{2}=0}=0 \\
& R_{X Y}=E[X Y]=m_{11}=\left.(-j)^{2} \frac{d^{2} \emptyset_{X, Y}\left(w_{1}, w_{2}\right)}{d w_{1} d w_{2}}\right|_{w_{1}=w_{2}=0}=0 \\
& \quad=-\left.\left(-4 w_{1}\right)\left(-16 w_{2}\right) e^{-2 w_{1}^{2}-8 w_{2}^{2}}\right|_{w_{1}=w_{2}=0}=0
\end{aligned}
$$

$R_{X Y}=0=E[X] E[Y] \Rightarrow \mathrm{X}$ and Y are uncorrelated.

