

Example:

Two ballpoint pens are selected at random from a box that contains 3 blue pens, 2 red pens, and 3 green pens. If X is the number of blue pens selected and Y is the number of red pens selected, find

- (a) the joint probability function $f(x, y)$,
 (b) $P[(X, Y) \in A]$ where A is the region $\{(x, y) | x + y \leq 1\}$.

Find the covariance of X and Y .

$f(x, y)$	$x=0$	$x=1$	$x=2$	$h(y)$
$y=0$	$\frac{3}{28}$	$\frac{3}{28}$	$\frac{3}{28}$	$\frac{15}{28}$
$y=1$	$\frac{3}{14}$	$\frac{3}{14}$	0	$\frac{3}{7}$
$y=2$	$\frac{1}{28}$	0	0	$\frac{1}{28}$
$g(x)$	$\frac{5}{14}$	$\frac{15}{28}$	$\frac{3}{28}$	1

$$f(x, y) = P(X=x, Y=y)$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$$

$$E(XY) = \sum_{x=0}^2 \sum_{y=0}^2 xy f(x, y)$$

$$E(X) = \mu_X = \sum_{x=0}^2 x P(X=x)$$

From Example 4.6, we see that $E(XY) = 3/14$. Now

$$E(X) = \mu_X = \sum_{x=0}^2 xg(x) = (0)\left(\frac{5}{14}\right) + (1)\left(\frac{15}{28}\right) + (2)\left(\frac{3}{28}\right) = \frac{3}{4}$$

and

$$E(Y) = \mu_Y = \sum_{y=0}^2 yh(y) = (0)\left(\frac{15}{28}\right) + (1)\left(\frac{3}{7}\right) + (2)\left(\frac{1}{28}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

Therefore,

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \sigma_{XY} = E(XY) - \mu_X \mu_Y = \frac{3}{14} - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = -\frac{9}{56}$$

$$h(y) = \sum_{x=0}^2 f(x, y)$$

Example:

The fraction X of male runners and the fraction Y of female runners who compete in marathon races are described by the joint density function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 8xy, & 0 \leq y \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Find the covariance of X and Y .

We first compute the marginal density functions. They are

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} 4x^3, & 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere,} \end{cases}$$

and

$$h(y) = \begin{cases} 4y(1-y^2), & 0 \leq y \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

From these marginal density functions, we compute

$$\mu_X = E(X) = \int_0^1 4x^4 dx = \frac{4}{5} \text{ and } \mu_Y = \int_0^1 4y^2(1-y^2) dy = \frac{8}{15}$$

From the joint density function given above, we have

$$E(XY) = \int_0^1 \int_y^1 8x^2 y^2 dx dy = \frac{4}{9}$$

Then

$$\sigma_{XY} = E(XY) - \mu_X \mu_Y = \frac{4}{9} - \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)\left(\frac{8}{15}\right) = \frac{4}{225}$$

$$E(XY) = \int \int xy f(x, y) dx dy = \int \int xy \times 8xy dx dy = \int \int 8x^2 y^2 dx dy$$

$$P(X=x) = g(x)$$

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)$$

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$$g(x) = \int_0^x f(x, y) dy = \int_0^x 8xy dy = 4x^2 y^2 \Big|_0^x = 4x^2(x^2 - 0) = 4x^4$$

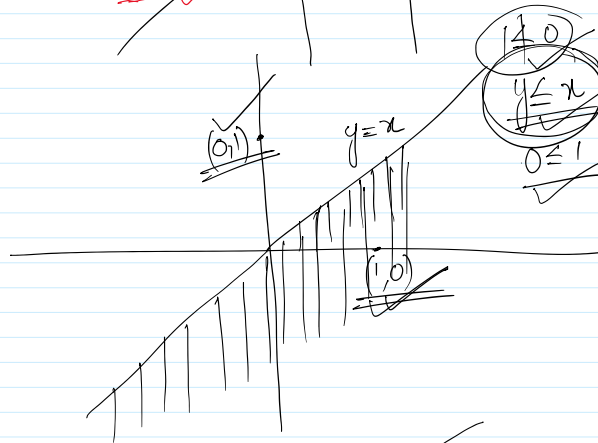
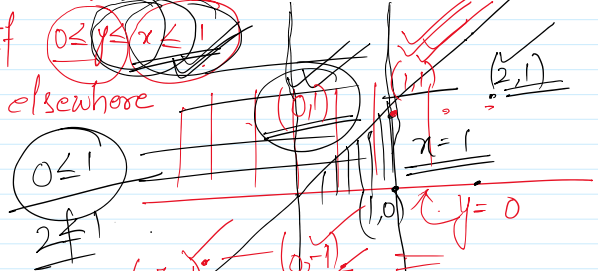
$$h(y) = \int_y^1 f(x, y) dx = \int_y^1 8x^2 y^2 dx = \frac{8}{3} x^3 y^2 \Big|_y^1 = \frac{8}{3} (1 - y^3) y^2 = \frac{8}{3} (y^2 - y^5)$$

$$\int \int 8x^2 y^2 dy dx$$

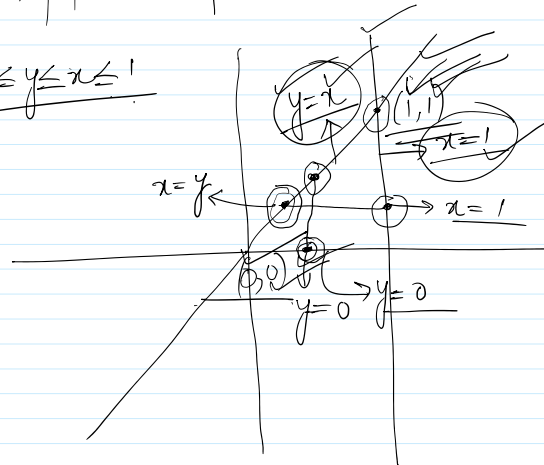
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$$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 8xy, & \text{if } 0 \leq y \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$$y \geq 0 \quad y=0 \quad y=1 \quad y=0$$



$$0 \leq y \leq x \leq 1$$



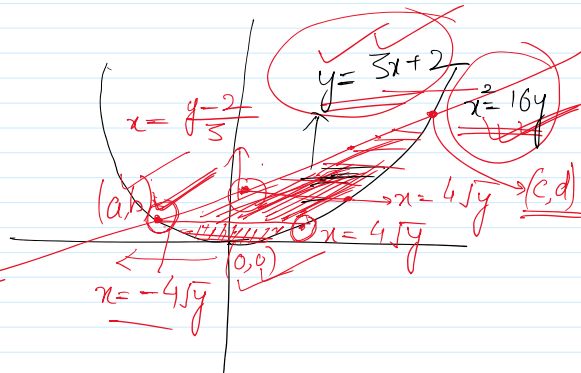
$$\int_0^1 \int_0^x 8x^2 y^2 dy dx$$

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$$\int \int -f(x,y) dx dy$$

$$= \int_{b \frac{y-2}{3}}^{d \frac{4\sqrt{y}}{3}} \int_{b \frac{y-2}{3}}^{d \frac{4\sqrt{y}}{3}} f(x,y) dx dy$$

$$+ \int_{0 - 4\sqrt{y}}^{0 - 4\sqrt{y}} \int_{0 - 4\sqrt{y}}^{0 - 4\sqrt{y}} f(x,y) dx dy$$



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EXAMPLE:

A random variable X has a mean $\mu = 8$, a variance $\sigma^2 = 9$, and an unknown probability distribution. Find

(a) $P(-4 < X < 20)$,

(b) $P(|X - 8| \geq 6)$.

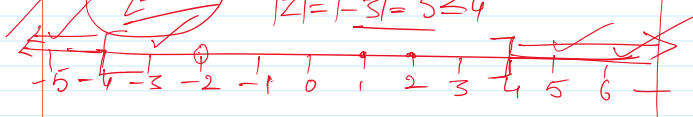
(a) $P(-4 < X < 20) = P[8 - (4)(3) < X < 8 + (4)(3)] \geq \frac{15}{16}$

(b) $P(|X - 8| \geq 6) = 1 - P(|X - 8| < 6) = 1 - P(-6 < X - 8 < 6) = 1 - P(2 < X < 14)$
 $= 1 - P[8 - (2)(3) < X < 8 + (2)(3)] \leq \frac{1}{4}$

$X - 8 = Z$. $P[|Z| \geq 6] + P[|Z| < 6] = 1$

If $|Z| \leq k$ then $-k \leq Z \leq k$.

$|Z| \leq 4$ then $-4 \leq Z \leq 4$
 $|Z| = |-3| = 3 \leq 4$



If $|Z| > k$ then
 either $Z > k$
 or $Z < -k$

$2 = 8 - k(3) \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{2^2} = \frac{3}{4}$

$k = 2$ $1 - P(2 < X < 14) \leq 1 - \frac{3}{4}$

$1 - P[6 < X - 8 < 6] \leq \frac{1}{4}$

$1 - P[|X - 8| < 6] \leq \frac{1}{4}$