

JTMS-12: Probability and Random Processes

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Lecture 11

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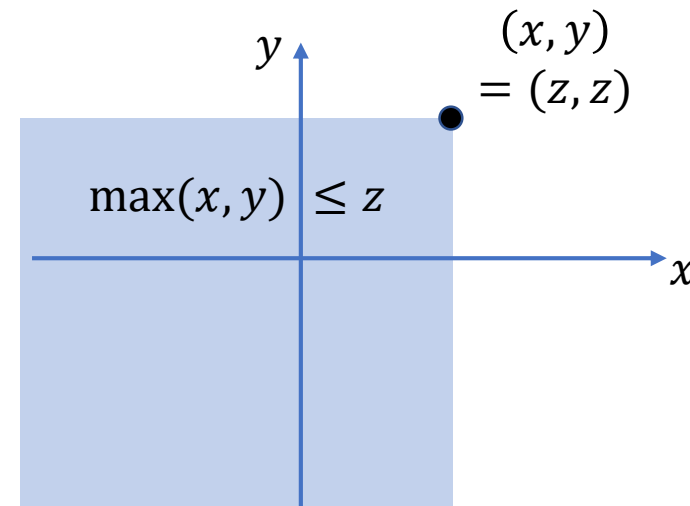
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Example 3:

Consider independent continuous r.v.s X, Y , and

$$Z = g(X, Y) = \max(X, Y)$$

Find $F_Z(z)$ and $f_Z(z)$.



Standard approach ...

$$F_Z(z) = P[Z \leq z] = P[g(X, Y) \leq z] = P[\max(X, Y) \leq z]$$

$$= P[X \leq z, Y \leq z]$$

$$= P[X \leq z]P[Y \leq z] = F_X(z)F_Y(z)$$

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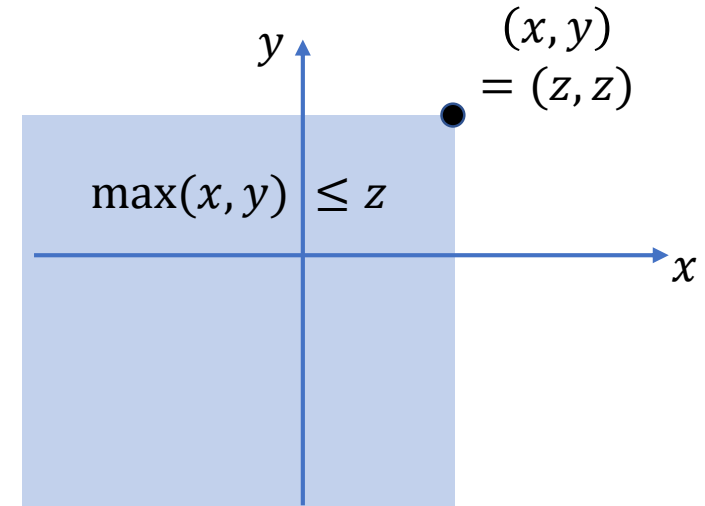
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Standard approach ...

$$F_Z(z) = F_X(z)F_Y(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_Z(z) = \frac{d}{dz} F_Z(z) = f_X(z)F_Y(z) + F_X(z)f_Y(z)$$



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Challenge:

Consider **independent**
continuous r.v.s X, Y , and

$$Z = g(X, Y) = \min(X, Y)$$

Find $F_Z(z)$ and $f_Z(z)$.

Standard approach ...

$$F_Z(z) = P[Z \leq z] = P[g(X, Y) \leq z] = P[\min(X, Y) \leq z]$$

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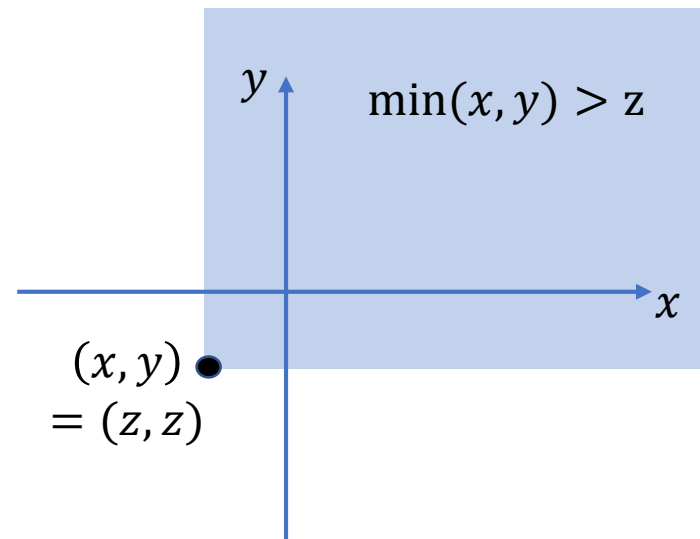
Standard approach ...

$$F_Z(z) = P[Z \leq z] = P[g(X, Y) \leq z] = P[\min(X, Y) \leq z]$$

$$= 1 - P[\min(X, Y) > z] = 1 - P[X > z, Y > z]$$

$$= 1 - (1 - P[X \leq z])(1 - P[Y \leq z])$$

$$= 1 - (1 - F_X(z))(1 - F_Y(z))$$



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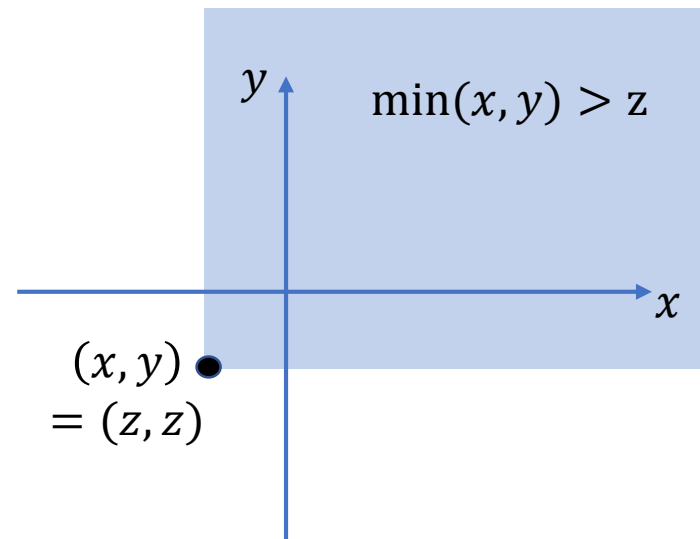
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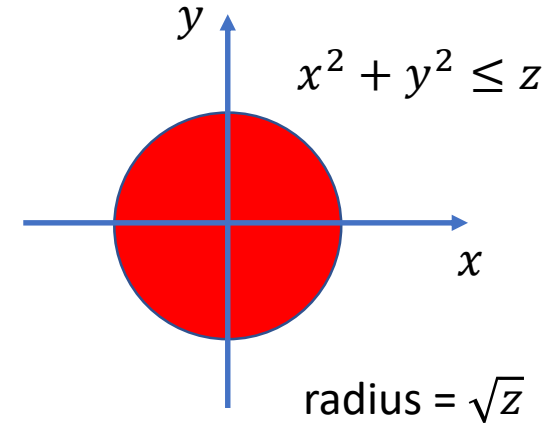
Consider independent
r.v.s $X, Y \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ and

$$Z = g(X, Y) = X^2 + Y^2 \text{ (power, energy)}$$

Find $F_Z(z)$ and $f_Z(z)$.

Standard approach ...

$$z \geq 0$$



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$$F_Z(z) = P[Z \leq z] = P[g(X, Y) \leq z] = P[X^2 + Y^2 \leq z]$$

$$= \iint_{\sqrt{z}\text{-circle}} \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot \sigma^2} \exp\left[-\frac{x^2 + y^2}{2\sigma^2}\right] dx dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\sqrt{z}} \frac{r}{\sigma^2} \exp\left[-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right] dr d\theta = -\exp\left[-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right] \Bigg|_0^{\sqrt{z}}$$

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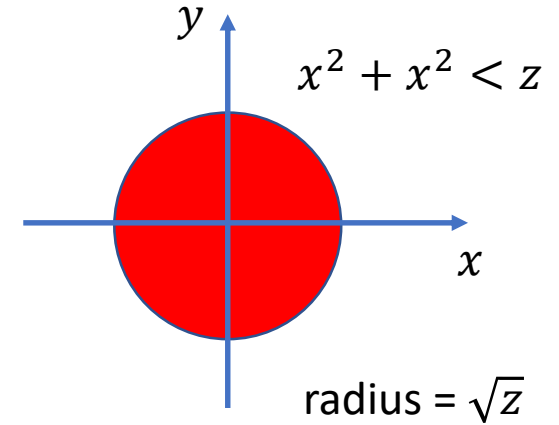
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Normal \rightarrow exponential

Discuss ``density in the center'' ...

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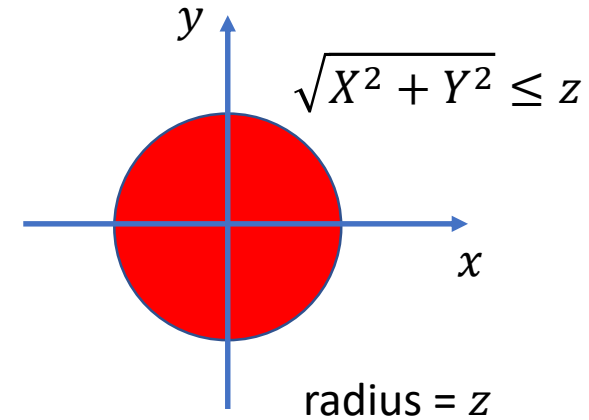
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Example 5 (COMPARE!):

Consider independent
r.v.s $X, Y \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ and

$$Z = g(X, Y) = \sqrt{X^2 + Y^2} \text{ (amplitude)}$$

Find $F_Z(z)$ and $f_Z(z)$.



Standard approach ...

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$$\boxed{z \geq 0}$$

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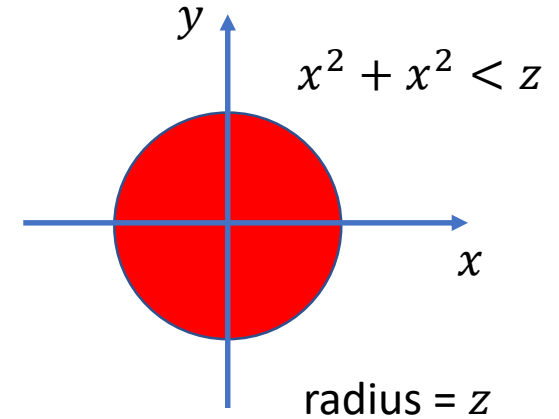
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Discuss ``density in the center'' ...

Normal \rightarrow Rayleigh

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Two Functions of Two Random Variables

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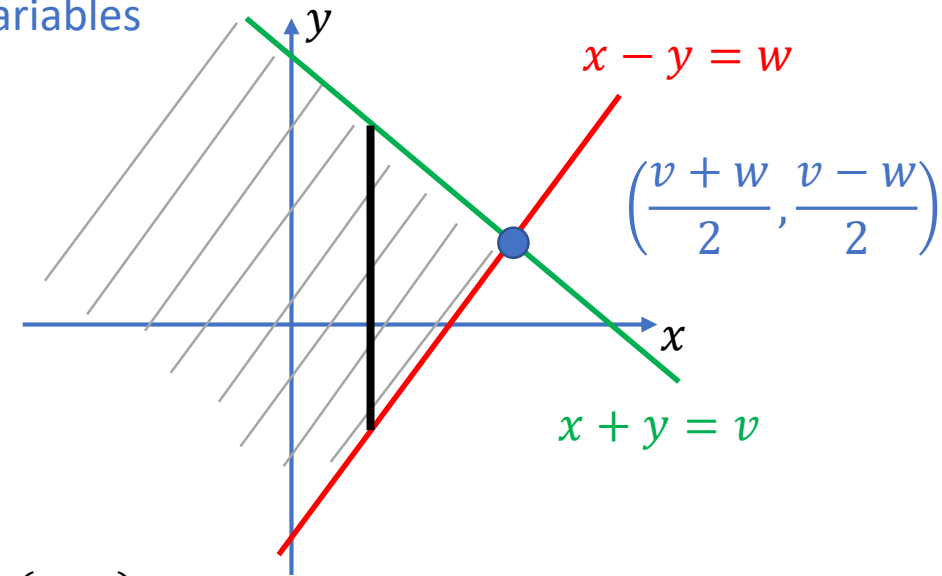
Example:

Consider continuous
r.v.s X, Y , and

$$V = g(X, Y) = X + Y$$

$$W = h(X, Y) = X - Y$$

Find $F_{VW}(v, w)$ and $f_{VW}(v, w)$.



Standard approach ...

$$F_{VW}(v, w) = P[V \leq v, W \leq w] = P[g(X, Y) \leq v, h(X, Y) \leq w]$$

$$= P[X + Y \leq v, X - Y \leq w] = \iint_{\text{shaded area}} f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{v+w}{2}} \left(\int_{x-w}^{v-x} f_{XY}(x, y) dy \right) dx$$

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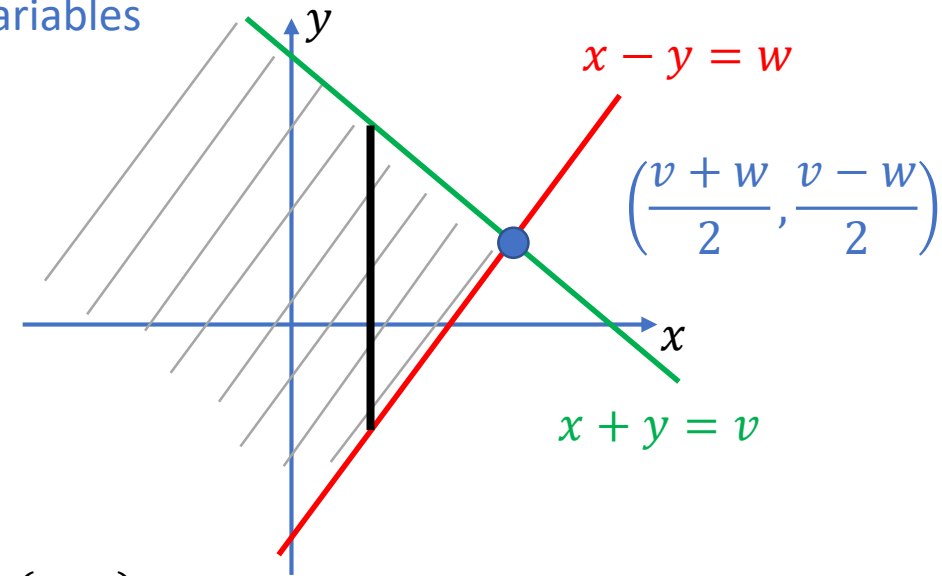
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Standard approach ...

$$F_{VW}(v, w) = \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{v+w}{2}} \left(\int_{x-w}^{v-x} f_{XY}(x, y) dy \right) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{VW}(v, w) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial v \partial w} F_{VW}(v, w) = \frac{1}{2} f_{XY} \left(\frac{v+w}{2}, \frac{v-w}{2} \right)$$

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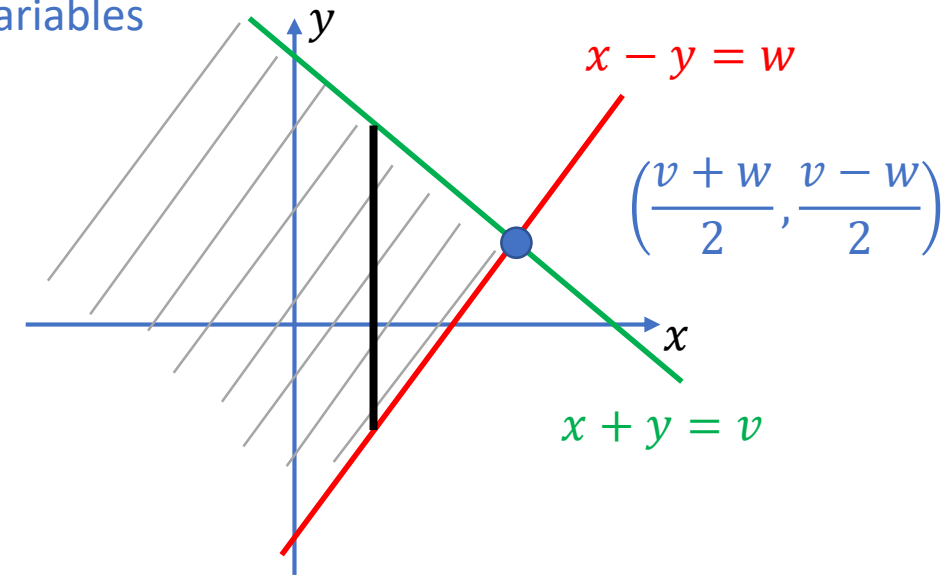
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Details ...

$$f_{VW}(v, w) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial v \partial w} \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{v+w}{2}} \left(\int_{x-w}^{v-x} f_{XY}(x, y) dy \right) dx$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial v} \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_{\frac{v-w}{2}}^{\frac{v-w}{2}} f_{XY} \left(\frac{v+w}{2}, y \right) dy + \int_{-\infty}^{\frac{v+w}{2}} f_{XY}(x, x-w) dx \right] = \frac{1}{2} f_{XY} \left(\frac{v+w}{2}, \frac{v-w}{2} \right)$$

The End

Next time: Cont. Chp. 3