

Problem 1

a.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{cov}[2X - Y, X + 3Y] &= E[(2X - Y)(X + 3Y)] - E[2X - Y]E[X + 3Y] \\
 &= E[2X^2 + 6XY - XY - 3Y^2] - (2E[X] - E[Y])(E[X] + 3E[Y]) \\
 &= 2E[X^2] + 6E[X]E[Y] - E[X]E[Y] - 3E[Y^2] - (2E[X]^2 + 6E[X]E[Y] - E[Y]E[X]) - 3E[Y]^2) \\
 &= 2(E[X^2] - E[X]^2) - 3(E[Y^2] - E[Y]^2) + 5(E[XY] - E[X]E[Y])
 \end{aligned}$$

Notice this is the same as

$$= 2\text{var}[X] - 3\text{var}[Y] + 5\text{cov}[X, Y] = 2(3) - 3(4) + 5(1) = -1$$

b.

$$\rho(2X - Y, X + 3Y) = \frac{\text{cov}[2X - Y, X + 3Y]}{\sqrt{\text{var}[2X - Y]} * \sqrt{\text{var}[X + 3Y]}}$$

we know that  $\text{cov}[2X - Y, X + 3Y] = -1$

$$\text{var}[2X - Y] = E[(2X - Y)^2] - (E[2X - Y])^2$$

In order to make this go faster we can just solve for the general case and then use the formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{var}[aX + bY] &= E[(aX + bY)^2] - (E[aX + bY])^2 \\
 &= E[a^2X^2 + 2abXY + b^2Y^2] - (aE[X] + bE[Y])^2 \\
 &= a^2E[X^2] + 2abE[XY] + b^2E[Y^2] - (a^2E[X]^2 + 2abE[X]E[Y] + b^2E[Y]^2) \\
 &= a^2(E[X^2] - E[X]^2) + b^2(E[Y^2] - E[Y]^2) + 2ab(E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]) \\
 &= a^2\text{var}[X] + b^2\text{var}[Y] + 2abcov[X, Y]
 \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\text{var}[2X - Y] = 4\text{var}[X] + (-1)^2\text{var}[Y] + 2(2)(-1)\text{cov}[X, Y] = 4(3) + 4 - 4(1) = 12$$

and that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{var}[X + 3Y] &= (1)^2\text{var}[X] + (3)^2\text{var}[Y] + 2(1)(3)\text{cov}[X, Y] = 1(3) + 9(4) + 6(1) \\
 &= 45
 \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\rho(2X - Y, X + 3Y) = \frac{\text{cov}[2X - Y, X + 3Y]}{\sqrt{\text{var}[2X - Y]} * \sqrt{\text{var}[X + 3Y]}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{12} * \sqrt{45}} = -\frac{1}{6\sqrt{15}}$$

## Problem 2

We know this is a discrete random variable since we only have 2 elements in the sample space

hence we can let  $X(1) = x_1$  and  $X(2) = x_2$

similarly

$$Y(1) = y_1 \text{ and } Y(2) = y_2$$

$$\text{Then } E[X] = x_1 * P[X = x_1] + x_2 * P[X = x_2]$$

$$\text{similarly, } E[Y] = y_1 * P[Y = y_1] + y_2 * P[Y = y_2]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } E[XY] &= \sum_{i,j \in \{1,2\}} x_i y_j P[X = x_i, Y = y_j] = \\ &= x_1 y_1 P[X = x_1, Y = y_1] + x_1 y_2 P[X = x_1, Y = y_2] + x_2 y_1 P[X = x_2, Y = y_1] + \\ &= x_2 y_2 P[X = x_2, Y = y_2] \end{aligned}$$

we know that  $\text{cov}(X,Y) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow E[XY] - E[X]E[Y] = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow & x_1 y_1 P[X = x_1, Y = y_1] + x_1 y_2 P[X = x_1, Y = y_2] + x_2 y_1 P[X = x_2, Y = y_1] + x_2 y_2 P[X \\ &= x_2, Y = y_2] \\ &= (x_1 * P[X = x_1] + x_2 * P[X = x_2])(y_1 * P[Y = y_1] + y_2 * P[Y = y_2]) \end{aligned}$$

looking at RHS (right hand side)

$$\begin{aligned} & (x_1 * P[X = x_1] + x_2 * P[X = x_2])(y_1 * P[Y = y_1] + y_2 * P[Y = y_2]) \\ &= x_1 y_1 P[X = x_1]P[Y = y_1] + x_1 y_2 P[X = x_1]P[Y = y_2] + x_2 y_1 P[X = x_2]P[Y = y_1] \\ &+ x_2 y_2 P[X = x_2]P[Y = y_2] \end{aligned}$$

so we have

$$\begin{aligned} & x_1 y_1 P[X = x_1, Y = y_1] + x_1 y_2 P[X = x_1, Y = y_2] + x_2 y_1 P[X = x_2, Y = y_1] + x_2 y_2 P[X = \\ &= x_2, Y = y_2] = \\ &= x_1 y_1 P[X = x_1]P[Y = y_1] + x_1 y_2 P[X = x_1]P[Y = y_2] + x_2 y_1 P[X = x_2]P[Y = y_1] \\ &+ x_2 y_2 P[X = x_2]P[Y = y_2] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i,j \in \{0,1\}} x_i y_j P[X = x_i, Y = y_j] = \sum_{i,j \in \{0,1\}} x_i y_j P[X = x_i]P[Y = y_j]$$

$$\Rightarrow P[X = x_i, Y = y_j] = P[X = x_i]P[Y = y_j] \text{ which means } X \text{ and } Y \text{ are independent}$$

Problem 3

$$f_{X+Y}(x) = \int_0^x f_X(t)f_Y(x-t)dt = \int_0^x e^{-t}e^{-(x-t)}dt = e^{-x} \int_0^x dt = xe^{-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow f_{X+Y}(x) = \begin{cases} xe^{-x}, & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$