

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_Z(z) &= \int \int_{\{x,y: x+y \leq z\}} f_{XY}(x,y) dx dy && \text{CDF Method} \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{z-y} f_{XY}(x,y) dx dy \\
 f_Z(z) &= \frac{d}{dz} (F_Z(z)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d}{dz} \int_{-\infty}^{z-y} f_{XY}(x,y) dx dy \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(z-y, y) dy
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_Z(z) \cdot dz &= P[z \in [z, z+dz]] = P[X+Y \in [z, z+dz]] \\
 &= \int \int_{\{x,y: x+y \in [z, z+dz]\}} f_{XY}(x,y) dx dy
 \end{aligned}$$

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Assignment 6

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1. Let $(X, Y) \sim f_{XY}(x, y)$ and $Z = X + Y$. Show that

$$f_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(x, z-x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(z-y, y) dy.$$

$y = z - x$

2. According to the statistics, among the students coming back from UK and USA, 1% are infected by COVID-19. They all take the saliva test with accuracy 99%. Suppose a particular student's saliva test is negative. A layman makes the following interpretation. The probability that the student is infected in the first place is 0.01 (i.e., 1%). Since the test independently indicates that he is not infected and the error probability of the test is 0.01 (i.e., 1%), the actual probability of the student being infected is $0.01 \times 0.01 = 0.01\%$. Comment on his interpretation.
- $P(A=1) = 0.01$
 $P(B=0|A=1) = 0.01 = P(B=1|A=0)$
 $P(B=0) = P(B=0|A=1) \cdot P(A=1) + P(B=0|A=0) \cdot P(A=0) = 0.01 \times 0.01 + 0.99 \times 0.99$
 $P(A=1|B=0) = \frac{P(B=0|A=1) \cdot P(A=1)}{P(B=0)}$
 $P(B=0) = 0.01 \times 0.01 + 0.99 \times 0.99$
 $P(A=1|B=0) = \frac{0.01 \times 0.01}{0.01 \times 0.01 + 0.99 \times 0.99} = 0.0102\%$

Textbook Problems 5.5.5, 6.5.4, 7.1.1, 7.1.5, 7.2.1, 7.2.3, 7.3.3, 7.4.3, 7.4.8, 7.5.7, 7.6.1.

Notes Work out Problem 6.5.4 by two methods:

1. Take advantage of the observation that X and Y are independent random variables and apply the result in Example 4.17.
2. Use the result in the supplementary problem above.