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Show all work. You should either write at a sentence explaining your reasoning, or annotate your math work with brief explanations. There is no need to simplify, and no calculators are needed.

Consider random variables X and Y given by the joint density

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} x + y & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$ **Answer:** $\frac{1}{3} - \frac{7}{12} \cdot \frac{7}{12} = -\frac{1}{144}$

In the same situation, find $\mathbb{E}(X|Y)$. **Answer:** $\mathbb{E}(X|Y) = \frac{1/3 + Y/2}{1/2 + Y}$

[(optional question for extra credit)]: If Z_1, Z_2 are independent standard normal random variables, and $X = 3Z_1 + 4Z_2$, $Y = 3Z_1 - 4Z_2$, find $\rho(X, Y)$. Do not use any integrals or derivatives.

Answer: Note that Z_1 and Z_2 are independent, but X and Y are not independent.

$$\mathbb{E}XY = \mathbb{E}(3Z_1 + 4Z_2)(3Z_1 - 4Z_2) = \mathbb{E}(9Z_1^2 - 16Z_2^2) = 9 - 16 = -7,$$

$$\text{Var}X = \text{Var}Y = 9 + 16 = 25,$$

therefore the correlation coefficient is $\rho(X, Y) = -\frac{7}{25}$.