

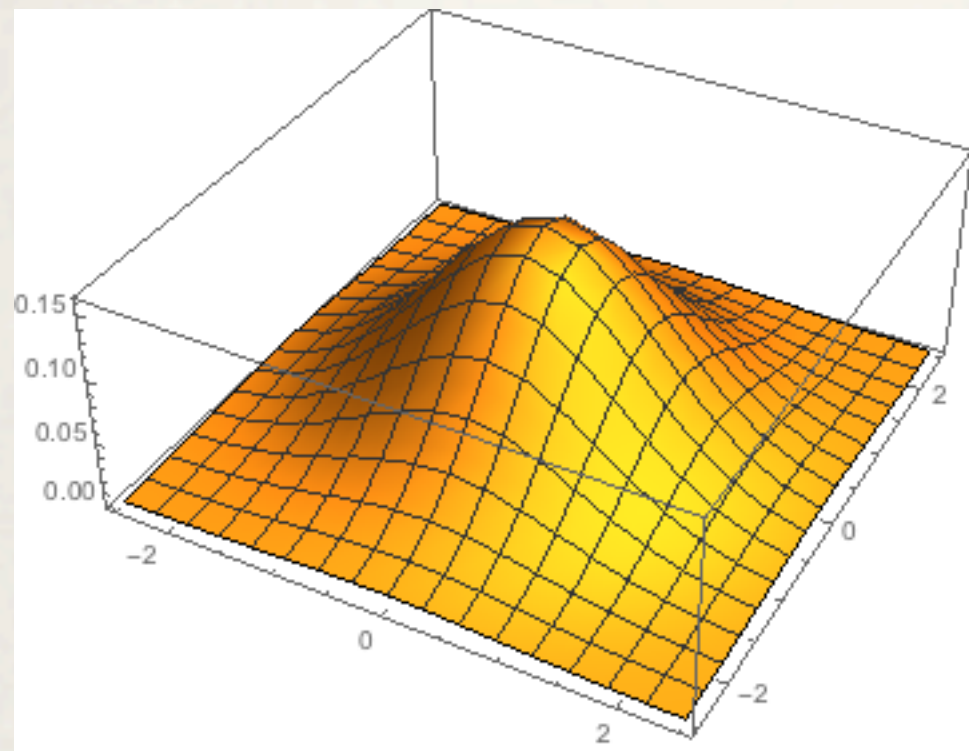
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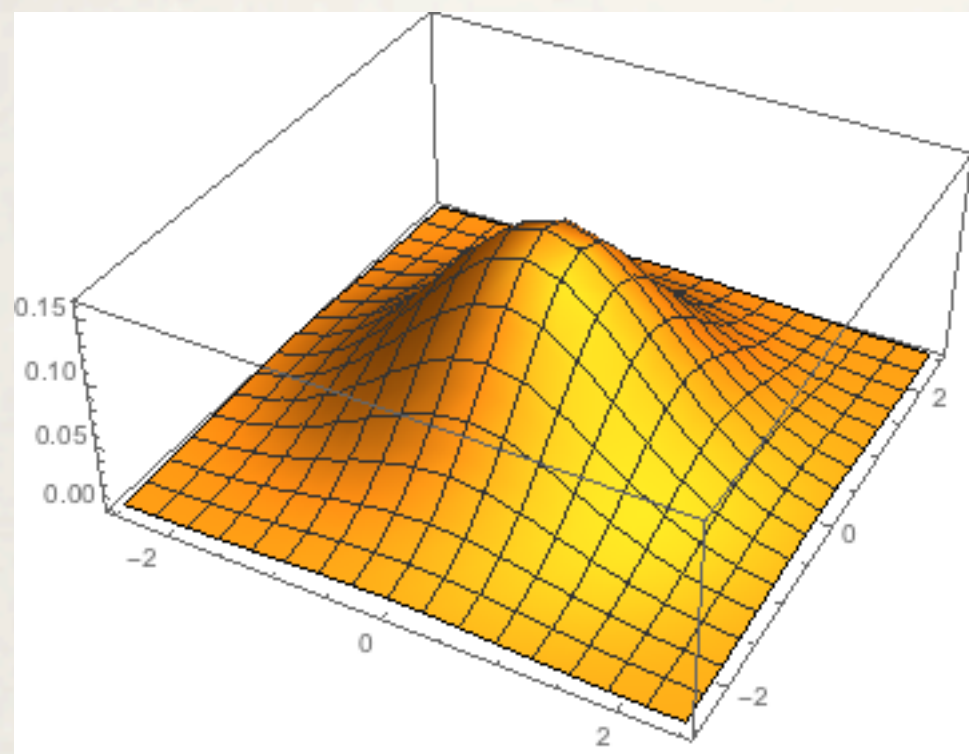
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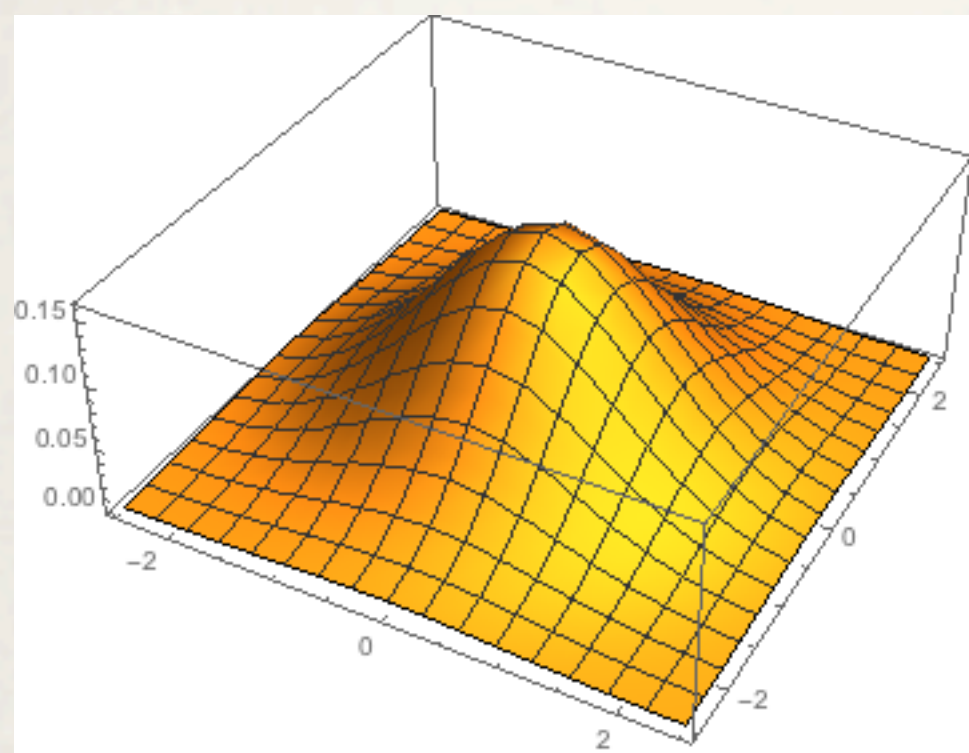
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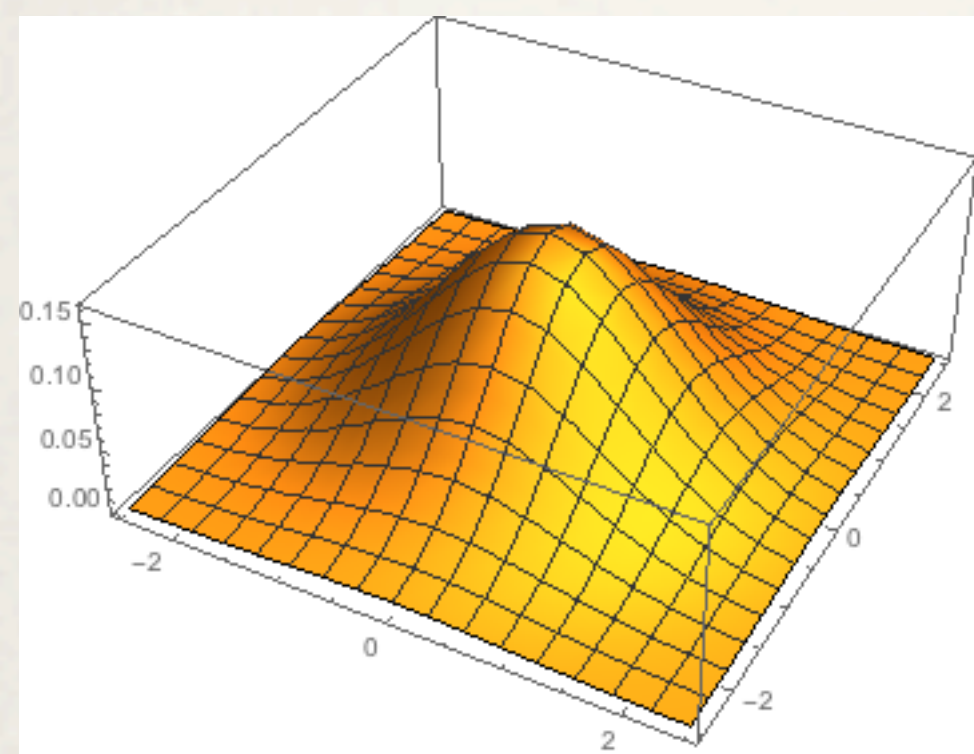


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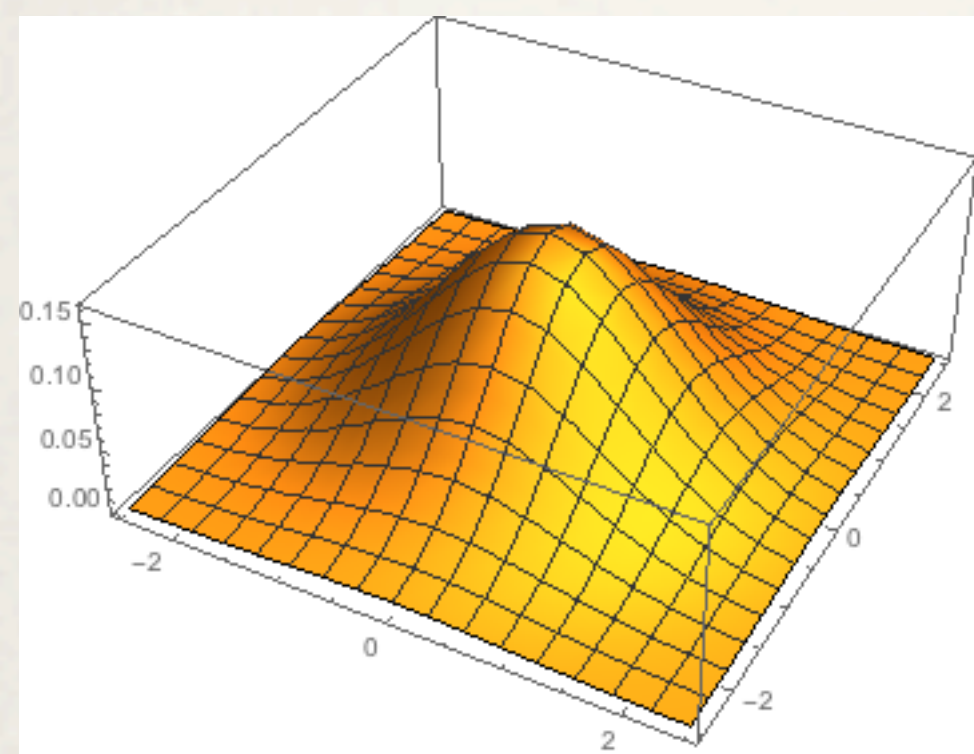


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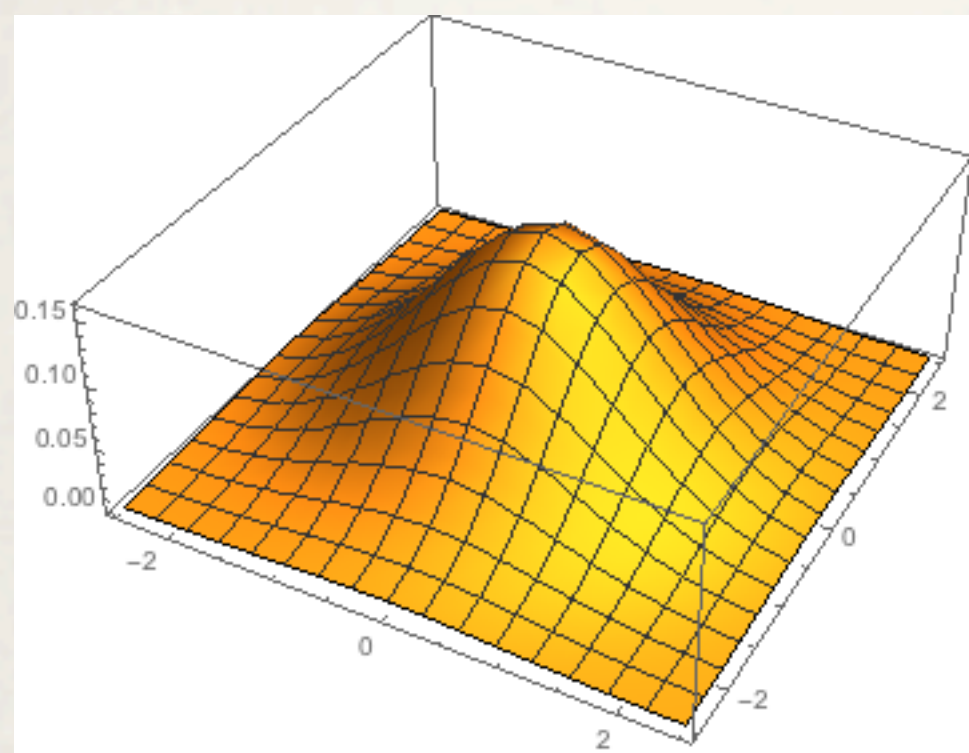


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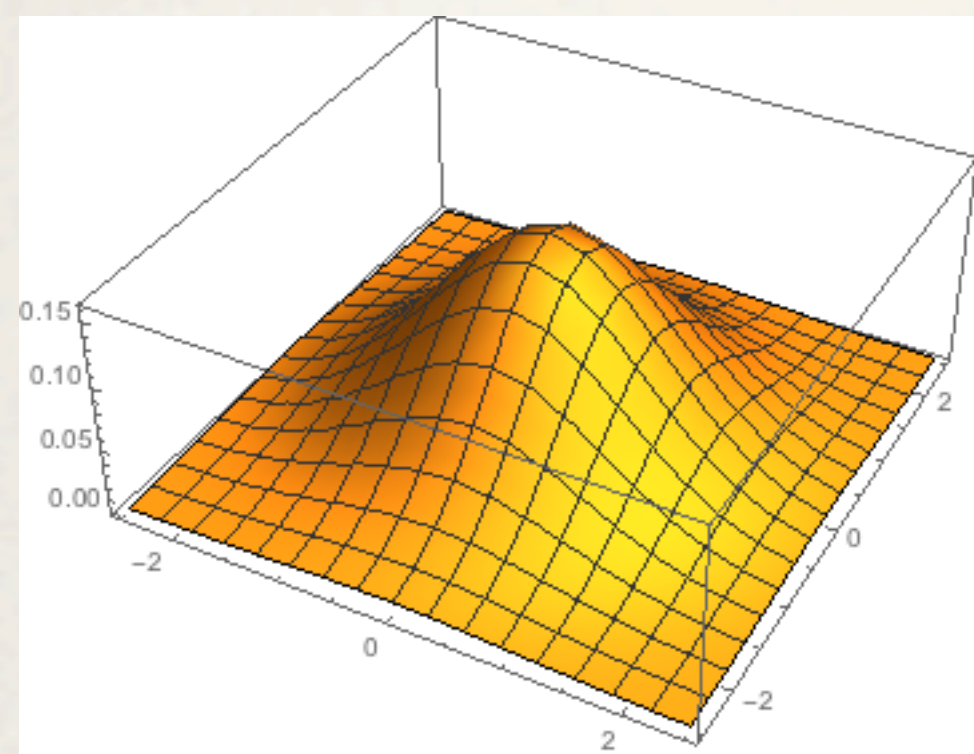
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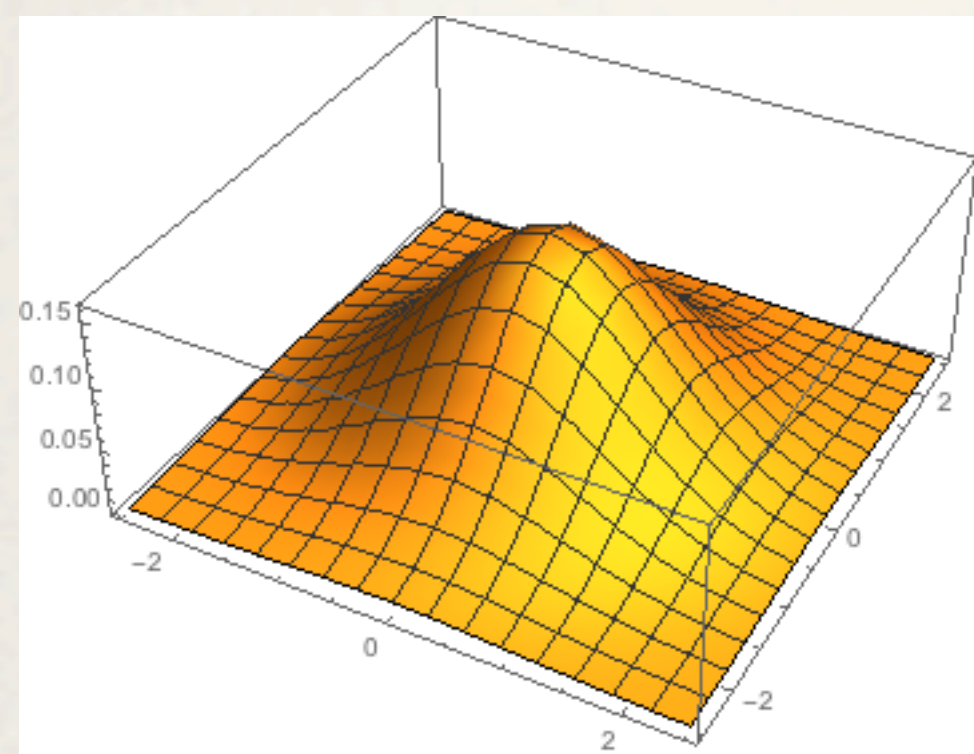
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Key observation: $p(x, y) = \phi(x) \cdot \phi(y)$

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Slogan

The product of probability densities is a probability density.