

Return by noon, Tuesday, 2nd December

10.1 (Random Phase Shifted Signal)

The scalar sinusoidal signal $x(t) = \sin(\theta t)$, $t \in R$, passes through a channel C where it is distorted by a constant (in time) random additive phase change between the input and the output of C . This produces the random signal

$$y(t) = \sin(\theta t + w), \quad t \in R,$$

where the random disturbance w is independent of time and is uniformly distributed on $[0, 2\pi]$, i.e. $w \sim U[0, 2\pi]$.

By explicitly calculating (a) the mean of the output process $Ey(t)$, $t \in R$, and (b) the covariance $C(t, s) = E(y(t) - Ey(t))(y(s) - Ey(s))$, $s, t \in R$, show whether y is a wide sense stationary process.

10.2 (Random Bank Balances and the \$ Fluctuates too!)

A bank client's income process I is a w.s.s. stochastic process with constant mean m^I and autocorrelation function $R^I(\tau)$, $\tau \in R$, and the client's expenditure process K is a w.s.s. stochastic process with constant mean m^K and autocorrelation function $R^K(\tau)$, $\tau \in R$. I and K are independent scalar processes. (We allow the income process to possibly take negative values (taxation!) and the expenditure process to possibly take positive values (refunds!).)

(a) Find the mean $m^B(t)$ and autocorrelation function $R^B(t + \tau, t)$, $t, \tau \in R$, of the client's change of balance process $B(t) = I(t) - K(t)$, $t \in R$. Is B a w.s.s. stochastic process?

(b) Valued in a second (rather unstable!) currency, the client's change of balance process is given by $D(t) = s(t) \cdot B(t)$, $t \in R$, where the exchange rate process $s(t)$, $t \in R$, is a w.s.s. stochastic process which is independent of B and has mean 1 and autocorrelation function $R^s(\tau)$, $\tau \in R$.

Show whether the autocorrelation function $R^D(t + \tau, t)$, $t, \tau \in R$, is t -shift invariant.

10.3 (Long Sequence of Filters in Series: Noise to Music?)

- (i) A zero mean wide sense stationary scalar process X with covariance function $R_X(t)$, $t \in R$, and spectral density $S_X(f)$, $f \in R$, is passed through a linear filter (i.e. time invariant linear system) L with impulse response $l(t)$, $t \in R$, and transfer function $L(f)$, $f \in R$. The output process is denoted Y . Find an expression for the cross covariance $EY(t+\tau)X(t)$, $t, \tau \in R$, in terms of an integral of the impulse response $l(\cdot)$ and the covariance function $R_X(\cdot)$ of the input process X .
- (ii) Use the Wiener-Khinchin Theorem to give the spectral density $S_Y(f)$, $f \in R$, of the process Y in terms of the transform of the impulse response $l(\cdot)$ and the spectral density of the process X .
- (iii) If $L(f) = 0$, $|f| \geq W$, and $S_X(f) = 0$, $|f| \leq 2W$, what is the covariance function $R_Y(\tau)$, $\tau \in R$? Explain your answer in terms of the frequency domain operation of the low pass filter L “matching” the input X ; would L make a good suppressor of the process X if X were regarded as a noise process?
- (iv) White noise N with spectral density 1 is passed into the first of a chain of n filters $L_1^n, L_2^n, \dots, L_n^n$, where for each n the transfer function L_k^n is $(1 + \frac{\alpha 2\pi j f}{\sqrt{n}})^{-1}$, $f \in R$, $1 \leq k \leq n$.
Give the spectral density $S_{Z_n}(f)$, $f \in R$, of the process Z_n emitted at the output of the last filter L_n^n .
- (v) Let $n \rightarrow \infty$ and give an analytic expression for the spectral density $S_{Z_\infty}(f)$, $f \in R$.

10.4 (Radio City Contends with Noise in Signal)

- (i) At Radio City a zero mean scalar wide sense stationary process X with correlation function $\{e^{-2\lambda|\tau|}, -\infty < \tau < \infty\}$, $\lambda > 0$, is passed through a linear system L with impulse response $\{e^{-\mu\tau}, 0 \leq \tau < \infty\}$, $\mu > 0$.

The output Y is disturbed by a zero mean scalar additive wide sense stationary noise process Z , where Z has correlation function $\{\sigma^2 e^{-2\gamma|\tau|}, -\infty < \tau < \infty\}$, $\gamma > 0$, and is independent of Y .

What is the spectral density of the resulting transmitted process $M = Y + Z$?

- (ii) What is the signal to noise power ratio $\gamma_{\sigma^2} = \frac{S_M(f)}{S_Z(f)}$, $f \in R$? What happens to γ_{σ^2} as the noise increases, i.e. $\sigma^2 \rightarrow \infty$, and decreases, i.e. $\sigma^2 \rightarrow 0$.