

Communication Theory

English Grades

Chapter 1

Noise in communications systems

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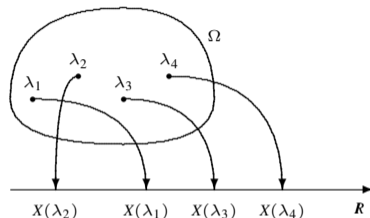
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Random Variable (Real)

Function that assigns a numeric (real) value to the output of a random experiment

$$\Omega \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$$

$$\lambda \in \Omega \rightarrow X(\lambda) \in \mathbf{R}$$



- Range (domain) of X : $\mathcal{D}_X = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : \exists \lambda \in \Omega, X(\lambda) = x\}$
 - ▶ Discrete r.v.: domain formed by a discrete set of values
 - ▶ Continuous r.v.: continuous range of values
- Description (probabilistic):
 - ▶ Distribution function: $F_X(x)$
 - ▶ Probability density function: $f_X(x)$

Distribution Function or Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)

- Definition

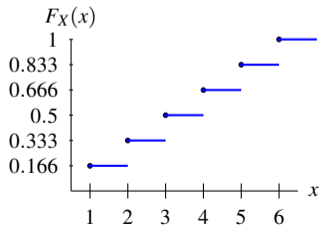
$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x)$$

- Frequency interpretation (probabilistic)

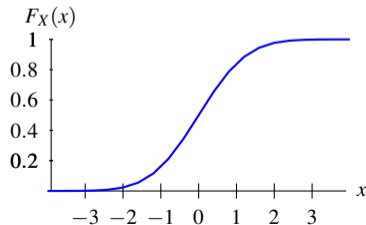
$$F_X(x) = P(X \leq x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n_x}{n}$$

n : number of realizations of the random variable X

n_x : number of results in the n realizations with $X \leq x$

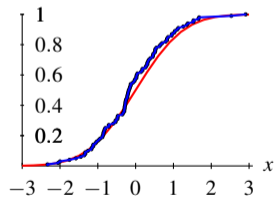
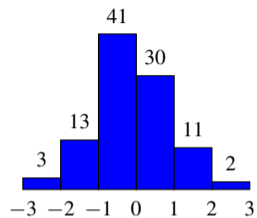
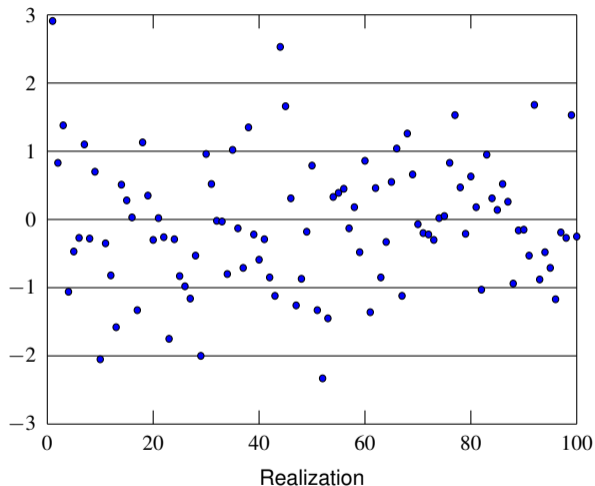


(a) Discrete (Die)

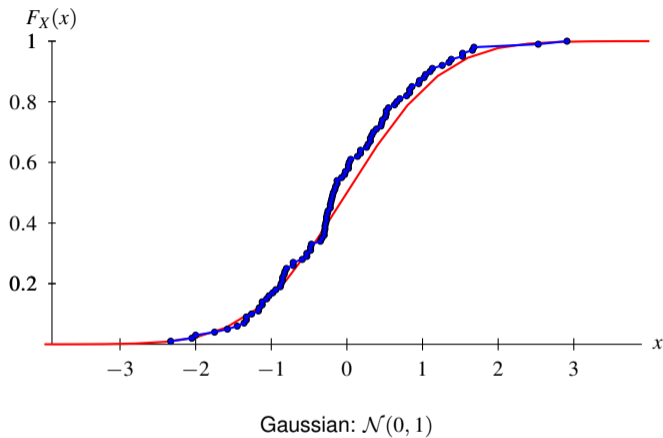


(b) Continuous (Gaussian: $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$)

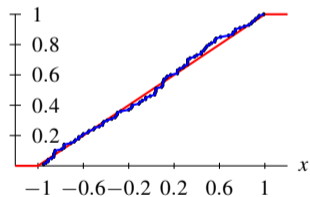
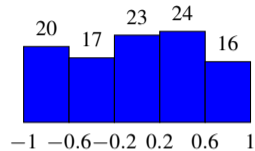
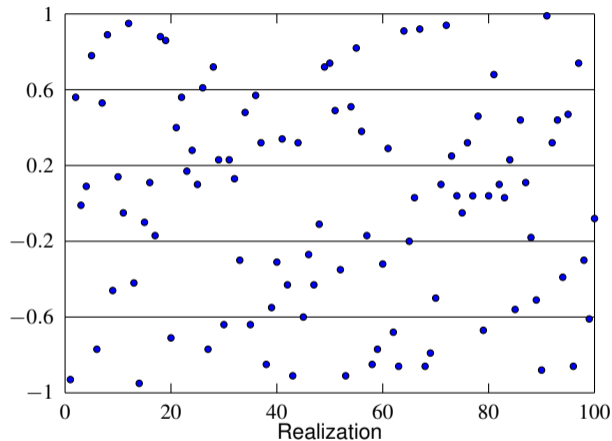
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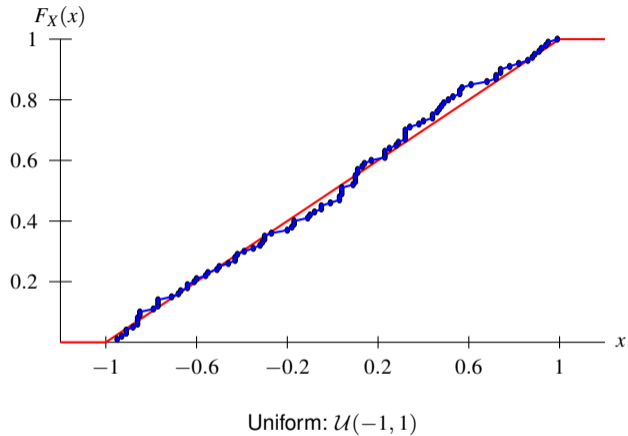
Estimate of the distribution function (Gaussian)



Realizations of a Uniform random variable



Estimate of the distribution function (Uniform)



Properties of the distribution function

1 $0 \leq F_X(x) \leq 1$

2 $x_1 < x_2 \rightarrow F_X(x_1) \leq F_X(x_2)$

$(F_X(x)$ is non-decreasing)

3 $F_X(-\infty) = 0$ and $F_X(\infty) = 1$

$(\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F_X(x) = 0, \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F_X(x) = 1)$

4 $F_X(x^+) = F_X(x)$

$(F_X(x)$ is continuous from the right)

5 $F_X(b) - F_X(a) = P(a < X \leq b)$

$$P(a \leq X \leq b) = F_X(b) - F_X(a^-)$$

$$P(a < X < b) = F_X(b^-) - F_X(a)$$

$$P(a \leq X < b) = F_X(b^-) - F_X(a^-)$$

6 $P(X = a) = F_X(a) - F_X(a^-)$

7 $P(X > x) = 1 - F_X(x)$

Probability density function (PDF)

- Definition

$$f_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x)$$

- ▶ Discrete r.v.: ground points $p_i = P(X = x_i)$
- ▶ Notation for discrete r.v.: $p_X(x_i) = p_i$

- Frequency interpretation (probabilistic)

$$f_X(x) = \lim_{\Delta_x \rightarrow 0} \frac{P(x \leq X \leq x + \Delta_x)}{\Delta_x}$$

$$f_X(x) = \lim_{\Delta_x \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \frac{1}{\Delta_x} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n_x}{n} \right\}$$

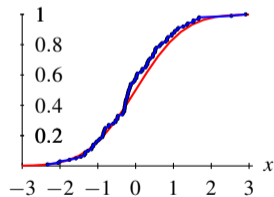
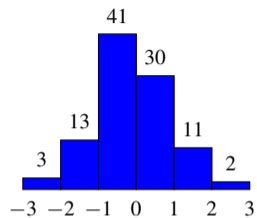
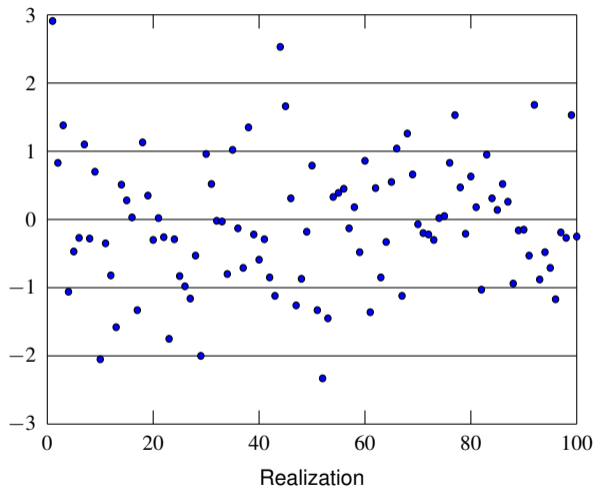
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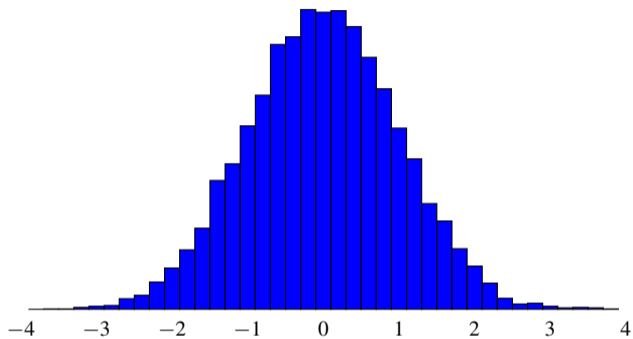
Interpretation of the probability density function

- The PDF indicates how the realizations of a random variable are distributed
 - ▶ Large values of $f_X(x)$: high probability that the random variable takes values in that range
 - ▶ Allows the calculation of probabilities on the possible values of a random variable
- A PDF can be interpreted as a histogram pushed to the limit
- Several examples are shown below
 - ▶ Uniform random variable
 - ▶ Gaussian random variable

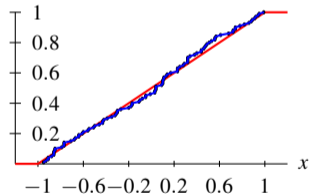
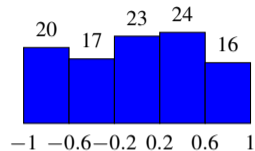
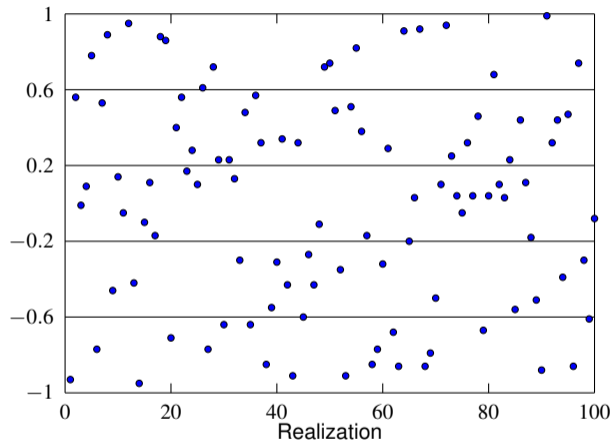
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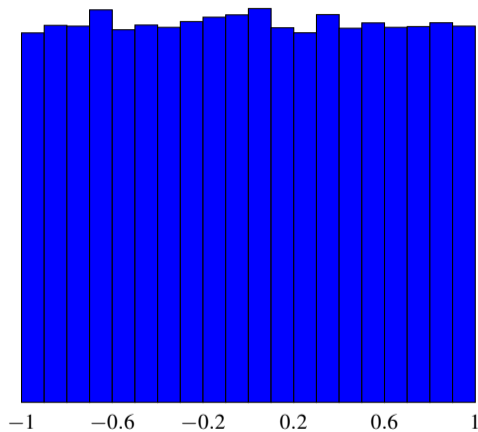
Histogram of 10000 realizations of a Gaussian random variable



Realizations of a Uniform random variable



Histogram of 10000 realizations of a Uniform random variable.



Properties of $f_X(x)$

1 $f_X(x) \geq 0$

2 $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx = 1$

3 $\int_{a^+}^{b^+} f_X(x) dx = P(a < X \leq b)$

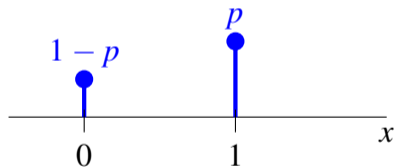
4 In general, $P(X \in A) = \int_A f_X(x) dx$

5 $F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x^+} f_X(u) du$

Bernoulli random variable

- Discrete random variable with $\mathcal{D}_X = \{0, 1\}$
- Parameter: $p = P(X = 1)$

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - p, & x = 0 \\ p, & x = 1 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$



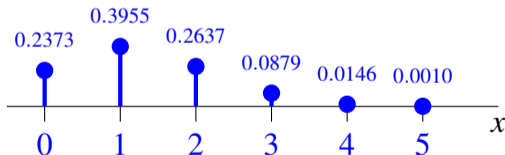
- Application examples in communications
 - ▶ Binary data generator
 - ▶ Error model

Binomial Random Variable

- Number of 1's in n Bernoulli experiments (indep.)
 - ▶ Parameters: n, p
 - ★ n : number of Bernoulli experiments
 - ★ p : probability of "1" in each experiment
- $\mathcal{D}_X = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$

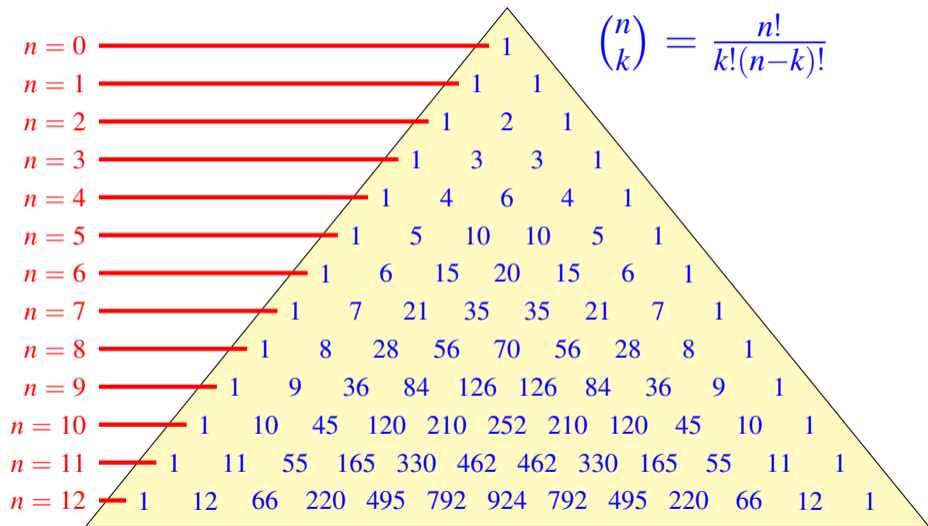
$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}, & 0 \leq x \leq n \text{ y } x \text{ in } \mathbb{Z} \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Example: $n = 5, p = 0.25$



- Example of application in communications
 - ▶ Number of bits received in error in a block of n bits

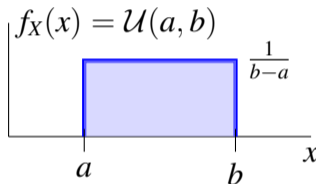
Binomial Coefficients - Pascal's Triangle



Uniform Random Variable

- Continuous random variable with parameters a and b
 - ▶ Notation: $\mathcal{U}(a, b)$
 - ▶ Domain: $\mathcal{D}_X = (a, b)$

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a}, & a < x < b \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

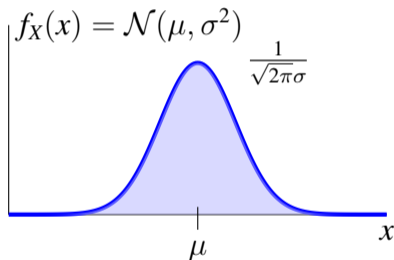


- Example of application in communications
 - ▶ Random phase in a sinusoid: r.v. uniform between 0 and 2π

Gaussian (Normal) random variable

- Parameters: mean (μ), and variance (σ^2)
 - ▶ Notation: $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$
 - ▶ Domain: $\mathcal{D}_X = \mathbf{R}$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$



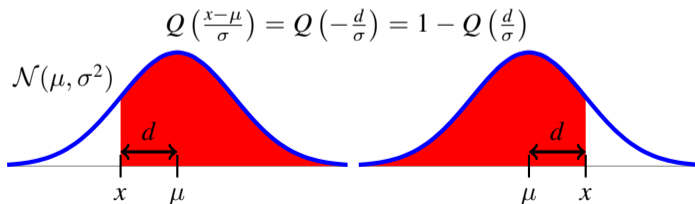
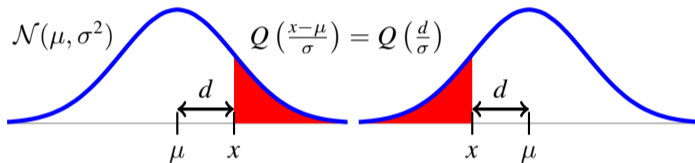
- Example of application in communications
 - ▶ Thermal noise modeling

Integrals over Gaussian distributions $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

- If the Gaussian distribution has mean μ and variance σ^2

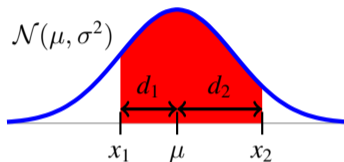
$$P(X > x) = Q\left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

- Graphical interpretation (considering definition and symmetry)

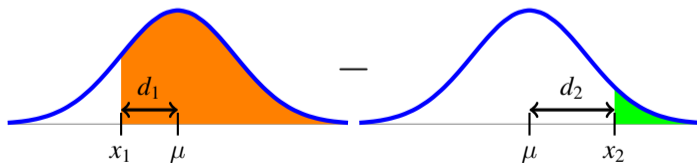


Integrals over $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ in intervals

- In general, they can be written as sums or differences of different terms involving integrals from a point to $\pm\infty$, which can be obtained using the function $Q(x)$
- An illustrative example



$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2) = \int_{x_1}^{\infty} \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2) - \int_{x_2}^{\infty} \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2) = [1 - Q(\frac{d_1}{\sigma})] - [Q(\frac{d_2}{\sigma})]$$



Functions of a random variable

- A function $Y = g(X)$ of a random variable is another random variable
- Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(g(X) \leq y)$$

$$F_Y(y) = P(x \in B_X^g(y)), \quad B_X^g(y) = \{x \in \mathbf{R} : g(x) \leq y\}$$

- Probability density function (PDF)

$$f_Y(y) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_r} \frac{f_X(x_i)}{|g'(x_i)|}$$

- ▶ $\{x_i\}$: roots of the equation $y = g(x)$
- ▶ $g'(x)$: derivative of the function $g(x)$
- ▶ Conditions: finite number of roots, N_r and $g'(x_i) \neq 0 \forall x_i$

Statistical moments

- Expected value (mean, or mathematical expectation)

$$m_X = E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$$

- Expected value of a function of X ($g(X)$)

$$E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) dx$$

- Moment of order n

$$m_X^n = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^n f_X(x) dx$$

- Variance

$$\sigma_X^2 = E[(X - m_X)^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - m_X)^2 f_X(x) dx$$

NOTE: $\sigma_X^2 = E[(x - m_X)^2] = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2 = E[X^2] - (m_X)^2$

Moment properties

Considering random variables X , Y , and constant c :

- $E[X + Y] = E[X] + E[Y] = m_X + m_Y$ (Linear operator)
- $E[c] = c$
- $E[c X] = c E[X]$
- $E[X + c] = E[X] + c$
- $\text{Var}(c) = 0$
- $\text{Var}(c X) = c^2 \text{Var}(X)$
- $\text{Var}(X + c) = \text{Var}(X)$

Multidimensional Random Variables

- It is possible to work jointly with two random variables defined on the same sample space Ω
- Joint probabilistic modeling
 - ▶ Joint distribution function

$$F_{X,Y}(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$$

- ▶ Joint probability density function

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F_{X,Y}(x, y)$$

Properties of $F_{X,Y}(x, y)$ and $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$

- $F_X(x) = F_{X,Y}(x, \infty)$

- $F_Y(y) = F_{X,Y}(\infty, y)$

- $f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy$

- $f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx$

- $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy = 1$

- $P((X, Y) \in A) = \int \int_{(x,y) \in A} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy$

- $F_{X,Y}(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^y f_{X,Y}(u, v) du dv$

Functions of random variables

- Functions of random variables: $Z = g(X, Y), W = h(X, Y)$

$$\begin{cases} Z = g(X, Y) \\ W = h(X, Y) \end{cases}$$

- Joint distribution function, $F_{Z,W}(z, w)$

$$F_{Z,W}(z, w) = P(Z \leq z, W \leq w) = P\left((x, y) \in B_{X,Y}^{g,h}(z, w)\right)$$

$$B_{X,Y}^{g,h}(z, w) = \{(x, y) \in \mathbf{R}^2 : g(x, y) \leq z, h(x, y) \leq w\}$$

- Joint probability density function

$$f_{Z,W}(z, w) = \sum_i \frac{f_{X,Y}(x_i, y_i)}{|\det \mathbf{J}(x_i, y_i)|}, \quad \mathbf{J}(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial z(x,y)}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial z(x,y)}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial w(x,y)}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial w(x,y)}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ $\{x_i, y_i\}$: roots of the system of equations $z = g(x, y), w = h(x, y)$
- ▶ Finite number of roots and non-zero determinant for all of them

Conditional probability density function

- Meaning of a conditional probability:
 - ▶ Knowing the value of one variable may vary the (prior) probabilities on the other

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \begin{cases} \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_X(x)}, & f_X(x) \neq 0 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

★ In general, it may happen that $f_{Y|X}(y|x) \neq f_Y(y)$

- Definition of statistical independence:

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = f_Y(y)$$

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = f_X(x)$$

- ▶ Implication: for independent random variables

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$$

Statistical moments

- Expected value of a function $g(X, Y)$

$$E[g(X, Y)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy$$

- Particular cases

▶ Correlation: $g(X, Y) = X Y$

▶ Covariance: $g(X, Y) = (X - m_X) (Y - m_Y)$

- Implication of independence: if $g(X, Y) = g_1(X) g_2(Y)$

$$E[g_1(X) g_2(Y)] = E[g_1(X)] E[g_2(Y)]$$

REMARK: Only under independence between X and Y !!!!

Uncorrelation

- Correlation coefficient

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}, \quad 0 \leq |\rho_{X,Y}| \leq 1$$

- ▶ If $\rho_{X,Y} = 0$: r.v.'s **uncorrelated**
 - ★ Independence implies uncorrelation
 - ★ Uncorrelation does not imply independence
- ▶ If $\rho_{X,Y} = \pm 1$: linear relationship $Y = aX + b$

$$\rho_{X,Y} = +1 \rightarrow a > 0; \quad \rho_{X,Y} = -1 \rightarrow a < 0$$

- Uncorrelation only implies independence for Jointly-Gaussian r.v.'s

- ▶ **Except for this case, in general, uncorrelation does not imply independence !!!**

Jointly-Gaussian random variables

Variables characterized by a Joint-Gaussian (multivariate normal) PDF

- For two variables, X, Y :
 - ▶ 2-D Gaussian

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_X\sigma_Y\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{(1-\rho^2)}\left(\frac{(x-\mu_X)^2}{2\sigma_X^2} + \frac{(y-\mu_Y)^2}{2\sigma_Y^2} - \frac{\rho(x-\mu_X)(y-\mu_Y)}{\sigma_X\sigma_Y}\right)}$$

- For n random variables $\mathbf{X} = X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$
 - ▶ Variables with a Joint-Gaussian PDF n -D

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n \det(\mathbf{C})}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})\mathbf{C}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}-\boldsymbol{\mu})^T}$$

- ★ Vector of means: $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n]^T, \quad \mu_i = E[X_i]$
- ★ Covariance matrix: \mathbf{C} , given by

$$C_{i,j} = \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = \rho_{i,j} \sigma_i \sigma_j$$

Jointly Gaussian properties of r.v.'s

- Fully characterized by μ and \mathbf{C} (2nd order statistics)
- If n random variables are jointly Gaussian, then any subset is also jointly Gaussian distributed
 - ▶ In particular, all individual variables are Gaussian
- Any subset of jointly-Gaussian r.v.'s, conditioned on another subset of the same original joint-Gaussian r.v.'s, has a jointly-Gaussian distribution
 - ▶ The parameters of the multivariate normal distribution are modified
- Any set of linear combinations of (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) is joint Gaussian
 - ▶ In particular, individually any linear combination Y_i is Gaussian
- Two uncorrelated variables are independent
 - ▶ For jointly-Gaussian random variables independence is equivalent to uncorrelation
- If the variables are uncorrelated, $\rho_{i,j} = 0 \forall i \neq j$
 - ▶ \mathbf{C} is a diagonal matrix

Sum of random variables

- **Law of large numbers (weak):** If (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) are *uncorrelated* and they all have the same mean m_X and variance $\sigma_X^2 < \infty$, regardless of its distribution, for any $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\text{if } Y = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|Y - m_X| > \varepsilon) = 0$$

- **Central Limit Theorem:** If (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) are *independent* with means m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n , and variances $\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2$, then the distribution of

$$Y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i - m_i}{\sigma_i}$$

converges to a Gaussian distribution with mean 0 and variance 1

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}} \equiv \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

Sum of random variables (II)

- Particular case: variables *independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.)*, that is, they all have the same distribution with the same mean m and the same variance σ^2 ; the average

$$Y = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i,$$

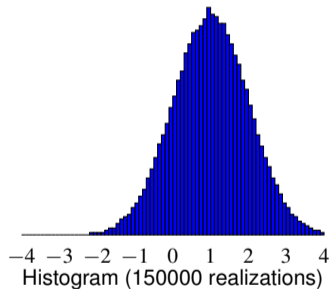
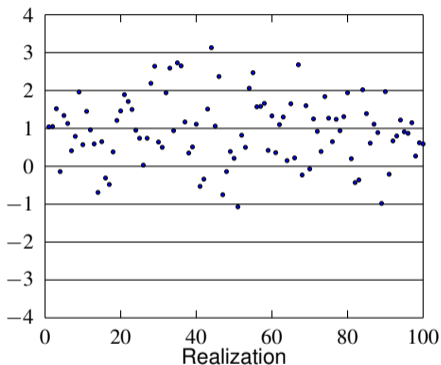
converges to a distribution

$$Y \sim \mathcal{N}\left(m, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

- ▶ This is so even if the distribution of each X_i is not Gaussian
- Reminder: conditions to satisfy
 - ▶ Law of large numbers (weak): non-correlation
 - ▶ Central Limit Theorem: independence

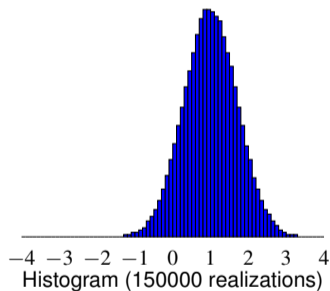
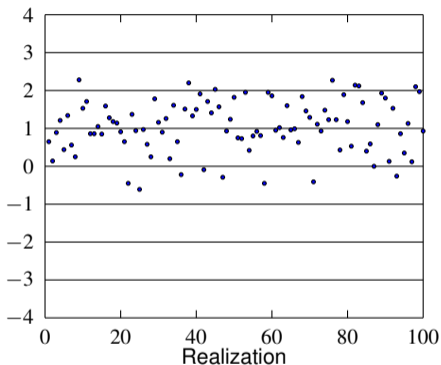
Realizations of 1 Gaussian random variable

- Gaussian random variable: mean $m_X = 1$, variance $\sigma_X^2 = 1$



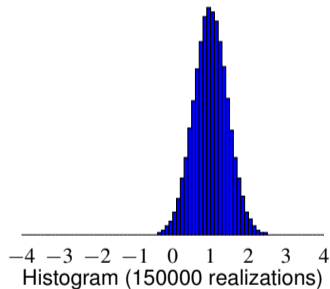
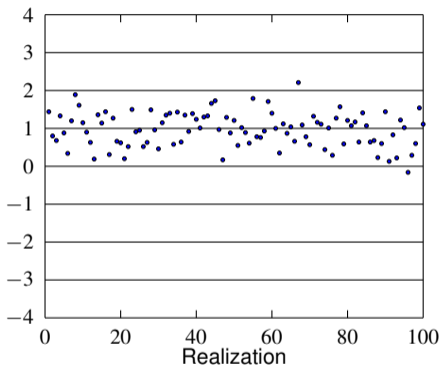
Average of 2 Gaussian random variables

- Gaussian random variables: mean $m_X = 1$, variance $\sigma_X^2 = 1$



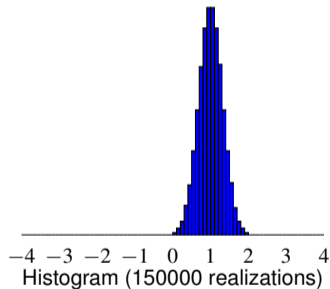
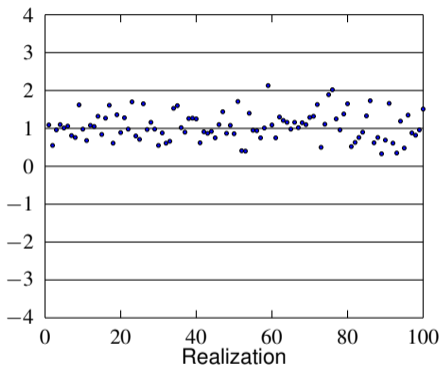
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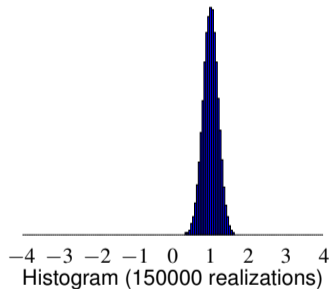
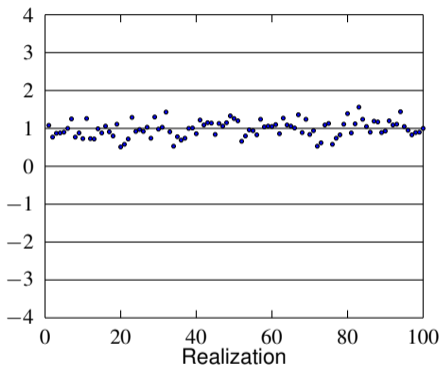
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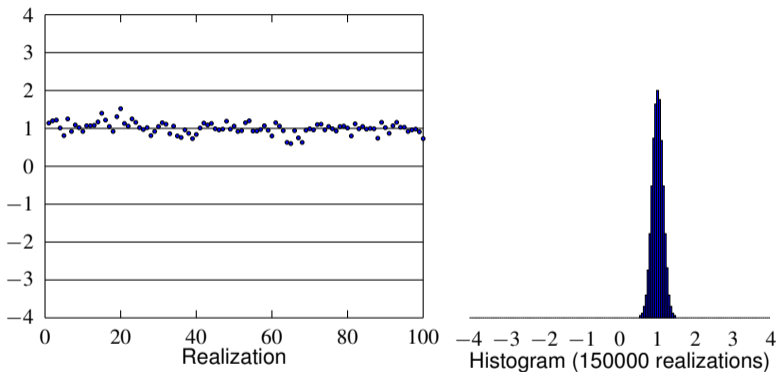
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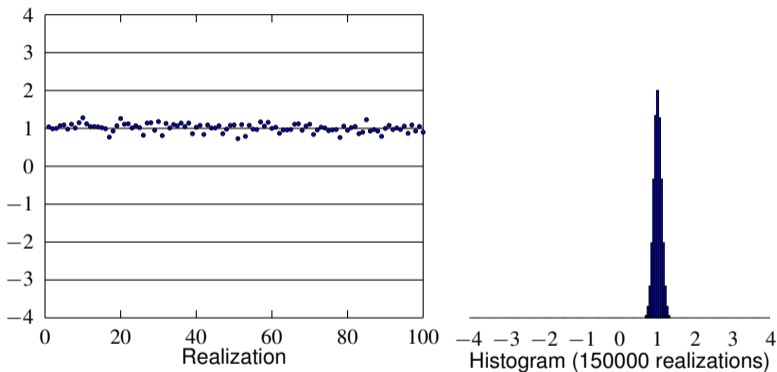
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- Gaussian random variables: mean $m_X = 1$, variance $\sigma_X^2 = 1$



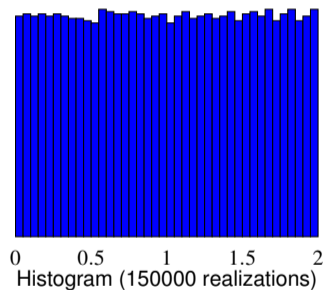
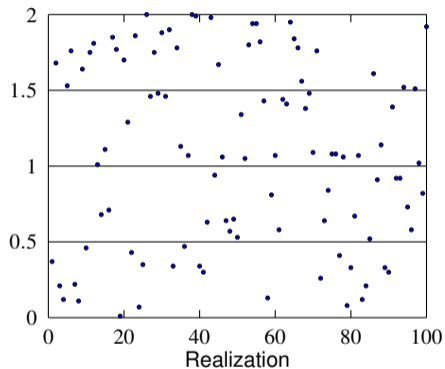
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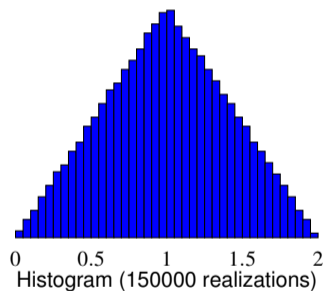
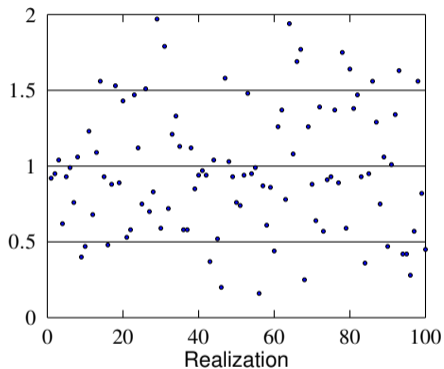
Realizations of 1 Uniform random variable

- Uniform random variable: $\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$



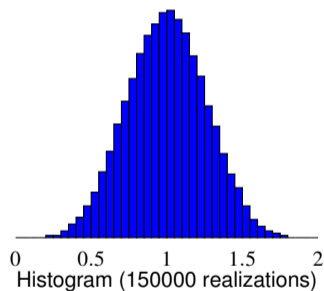
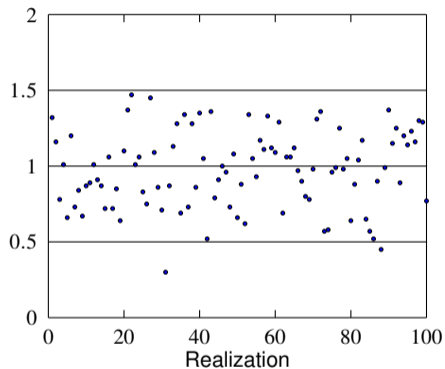
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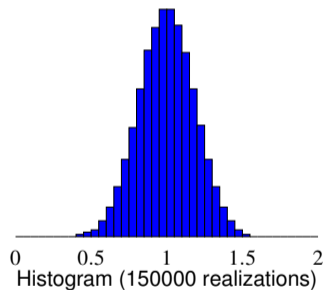
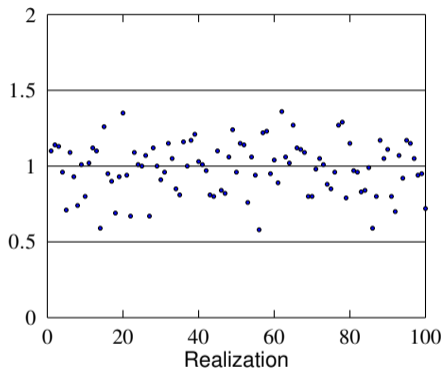
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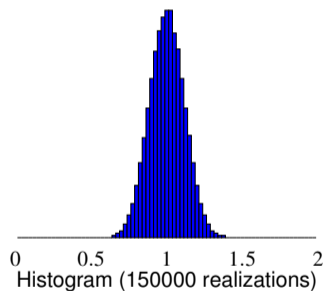
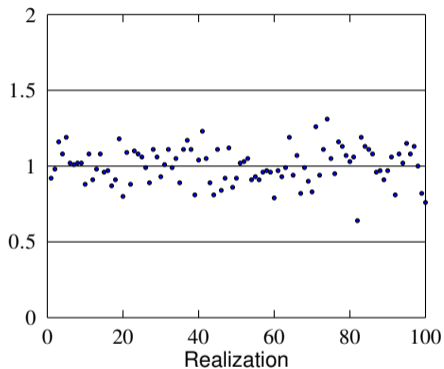
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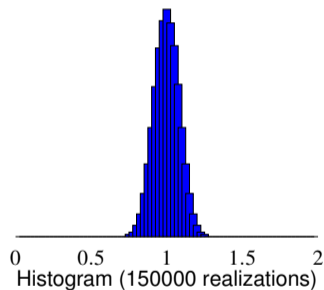
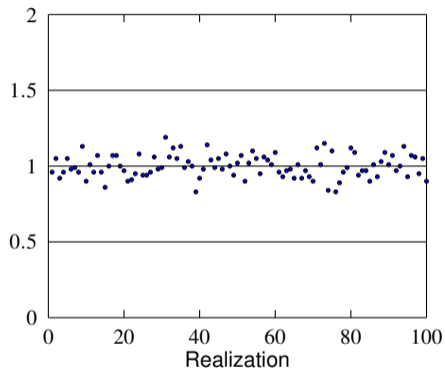
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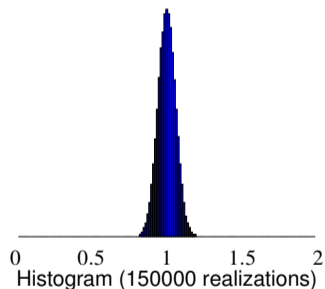
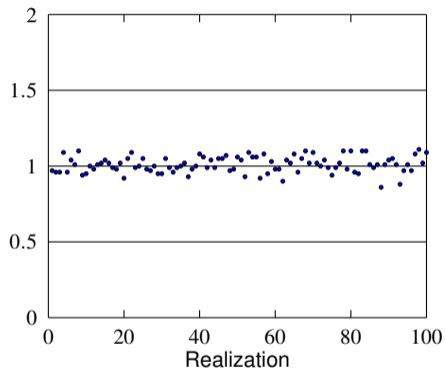
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Average of 100 Uniform random variables

- Uniform random variables: $\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$



Stochastic or random processes (real)

- Extension of the concept of random variable including time dependency
 - ▶ Random variable: $\lambda \in \Omega \rightarrow X(\lambda)$
 - ▶ Stochastic process (continuous or discrete time): $\lambda \in \Omega \rightarrow X(t, \lambda)$ or $X[n, \lambda]$
- Particularizations
 - ▶ $X(t, \lambda_i)$ or $X[n, \lambda_i]$: time signal associated with λ_i
 - ▶ $X(t_i, \lambda)$ or $X[n_i, \lambda]$: random variable $X(\lambda)$
 - ▶ $X(t_i, \lambda_j)$ or $X[n_i, \lambda_j]$: individual realization of a r.v.
- Notation: $X(t)$ or $X[n]$
- Interpretation: indexed set of random variables
 - ▶ Continuous index ($t \in \mathbf{R}$): continuous time stochastic process
 - ▶ Discrete index ($n \in \mathbf{Z}$): discrete-time random process

Random process $X(t, \lambda) \equiv X(t)$ - Example I

- Random experiment: throwing a dice
 - ▶ 6 possible outcomes

$$\lambda \in \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4, \lambda_5, \lambda_6\}$$

- Random variable

- ▶ Usual assignment: $\lambda_i = i$
- ▶ Domain $\mathcal{D}_X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

- Stochastic process

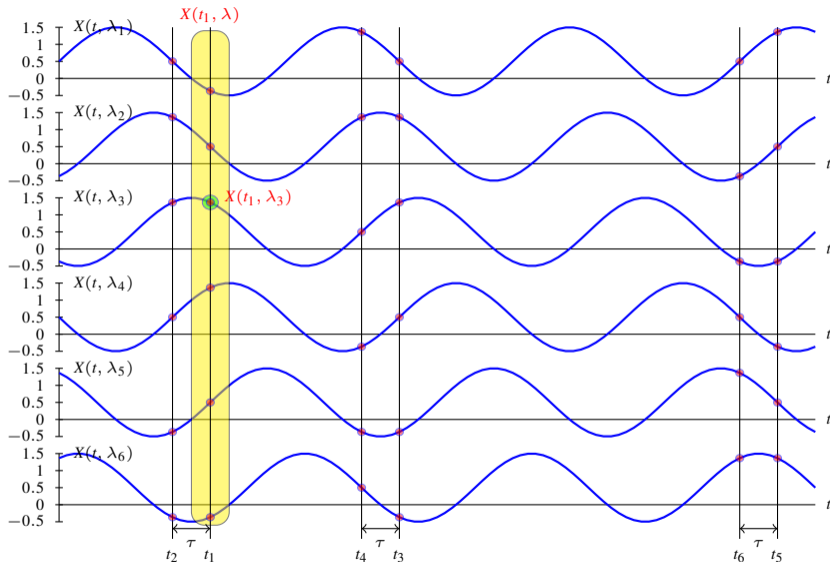
- ▶ A signal for each possible outcome of the experiment

$$X(t, \lambda_i) = \frac{1}{2} + \sin(\omega_0 t - \theta_i)$$

$$\text{with } \theta_i = (i - 1) \frac{2\pi}{6}$$

for $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$

Random process $X(t, \lambda) \equiv X(t)$ - Example I



Random process $X(t, \lambda) \equiv X(t)$ - Example II

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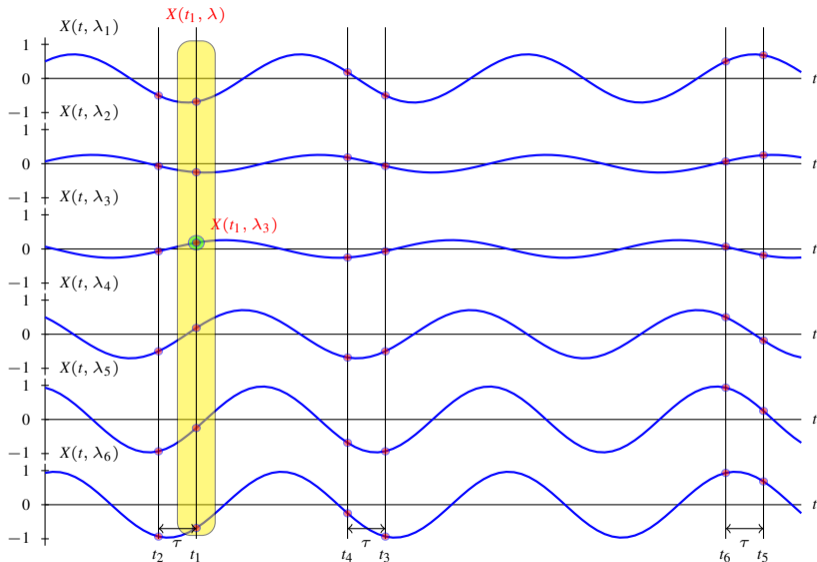
- Random process
 - ▶ A signal for each possible outcome of the experiment

$$X(t, \lambda_i) = \frac{1}{2} \cos(\omega_0 t) + \frac{1}{2} \sin(\omega_0 t - \theta_i)$$

$$\text{with } \theta_i = (i - 1) \frac{2\pi}{6}$$

$$\text{for } i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

Random process $X(t, \lambda) \equiv X(t)$ - Example II



Description of a random process

- Analytical description

$$X(t) = f(t, \theta)$$

$\theta = \{\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n\}$: vector of n random variables

- ▶ Equation $f(t, \theta)$
- ▶ Statistical description of θ (joint PDF)

$$f_{\theta}(x) = f_{\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

- Statistical description

- ▶ Complete: $\forall (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n) \in \mathbf{R}^n, \forall n$

$$f_{X(t_1), X(t_2), \dots, X(t_n)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

- ▶ Of order M : $\forall n \leq M, \forall (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n) \in \mathbf{R}^n$

$$f_{X(t_1), X(t_2), \dots, X(t_n)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

Expectations of processes (statistical averages)

- Mean of a random process

$$m_X(t) = E[X(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X(t)}(x) dx$$

- Autocorrelation function of a random process

$$R_X(t_1, t_2) = E[X(t_1) X(t_2)]$$

$$R_X(t_1, t_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1 x_2 f_{X(t_1), X(t_2)}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2$$

NOTE: Definition for complex random processes

$$R_X(t_1, t_2) = E[X(t_1) X^*(t_2)]$$

$$R_X(t_1, t_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1 x_2^* f_{X(t_1), X(t_2)}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2$$

Some examples of description

- Analytical description

$$X(t) = A \cos(\omega_0 t) + B \sin(\omega_0 t)$$

- $A \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_A^2)$

- $B \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_B^2)$

- A and B are independent: $f_{A,B}(a, b) = f_A(a) \times f_B(b)$

- Statistical Description (of order 2)

$$f_{X(t_1), X(t_2)}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{(1-\rho^2)}\left(\frac{(x_1-1)^2}{2} + \frac{(x_2+1)^2}{2} - \rho(x_1-1)(x_2+1)\right)}$$

Examples I and II: mean and autocorrelation function

● Example I

- ▶ Mean $m_X(t) = \frac{1}{2}$
- ▶ Autocorrelation function

$$R_X(t_1, t_2) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \cos(\omega_0(t_1 - t_2))$$

$$R_X(t + \tau, t) = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \cos(\omega_0\tau)$$

● Example II

- ▶ Mean $m_X(t) = \frac{1}{2} \cos(\omega_0 t)$
- ▶ Autocorrelation function

$$R_X(t_1, t_2) = \frac{1}{4} \cos(\omega_0(t_1 - t_2)) + \frac{1}{4} \cos(\omega_0(t_1 + t_2))$$

$$R_X(t + \tau, t) = \frac{1}{4} \cos(\omega_0\tau) + \frac{1}{4} \cos(\omega_0(2t + \tau))$$

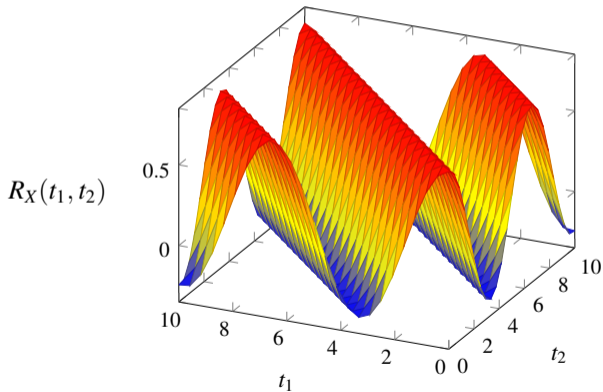
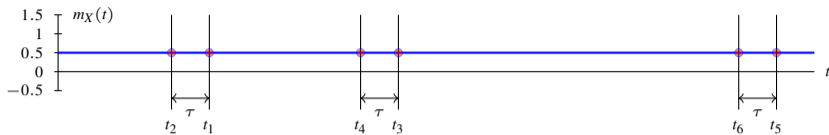
Stationarity and cyclostationarity

- (Strict Sense) Stationarity (SSS): $\forall (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n), \forall n, \forall \Delta$

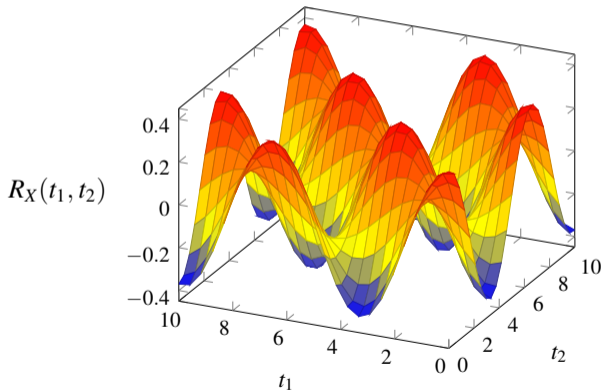
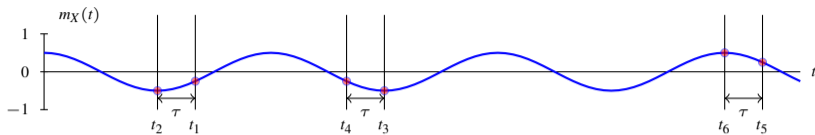
$$\begin{aligned} f_{X(t_1), X(t_2), \dots, X(t_n)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ = f_{X(t_1+\Delta), X(t_2+\Delta), \dots, X(t_n+\Delta)}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Stationarity of order M : for $n \leq M$
- (Wide Sense) Stationarity (WSS)
 - 1 $m_X(t) = m_X$ (does not depend on t)
 - 2 $R_X(t_1, t_2) = R_X(t_1 - t_2) = R_X(\tau)$ (defining $\tau = t_1 - t_2$)
It is also usually denoted $R_X(t + \tau, t) = R_X(\tau)$
- (Wide Sense) Cyclostationarity (WSCS)
 - 1 $m_X(t + T_o) = m_X(t)$
 - 2 $R_X(t + \tau + T_o, t + T_o) = R_X(t + \tau, t)$, for all t and τ

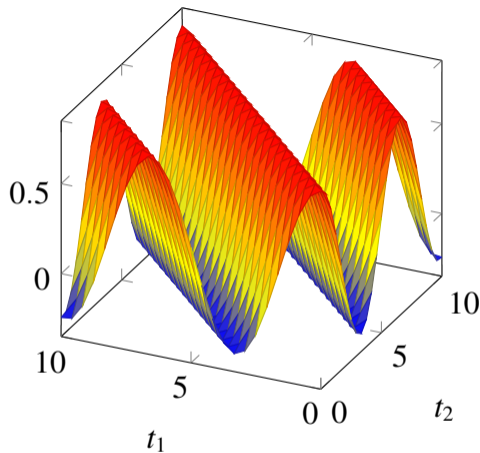
Mean and autocorrelation function: $m_X(t)$, $R_X(t_1, t_2)$ - Ex. I



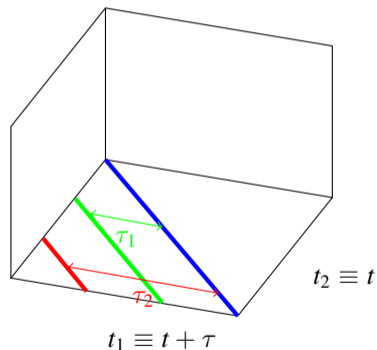
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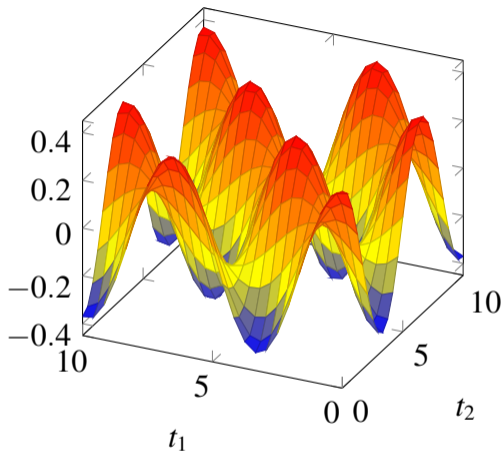
Mean and autocorrelation function: $m_X(t)$, $R_X(t_1, t_2)$ - Ex. I



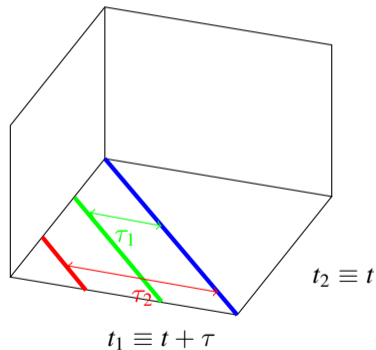
- $t_1 = t_2$ ($\tau = 0$)
- $t_1 = t_2 + \tau_1$ ($\tau = \tau_1$)
- $t_1 = t_2 + \tau_2$ ($\tau = \tau_2$)



Mean and autocorrelation function: $m_X(t)$, $R_X(t_1, t_2)$ - Ex. II

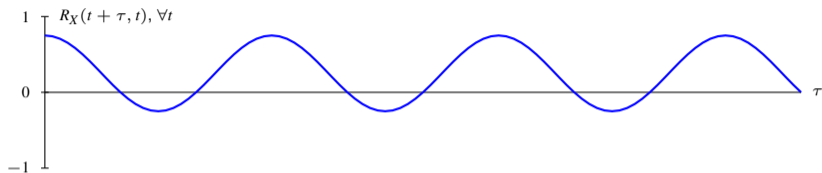


- $t_1 = t_2$ ($\tau = 0$)
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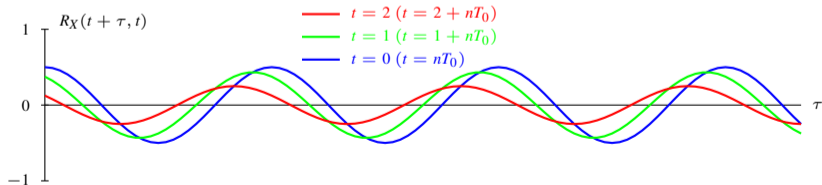


Autocorrelation function: $R_X(t_1, t_2) \equiv R_X(t + \tau, t)$

● Example I



● Example II



Random process $X(t, \lambda) \equiv X(t)$ - Example III

- Random experiment: throwing a dice
 - ▶ 6 possible outcomes

$$\lambda \in \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4, \lambda_5, \lambda_6\}$$

- Random process
 - ▶ A signal for each possible outcome of the experiment

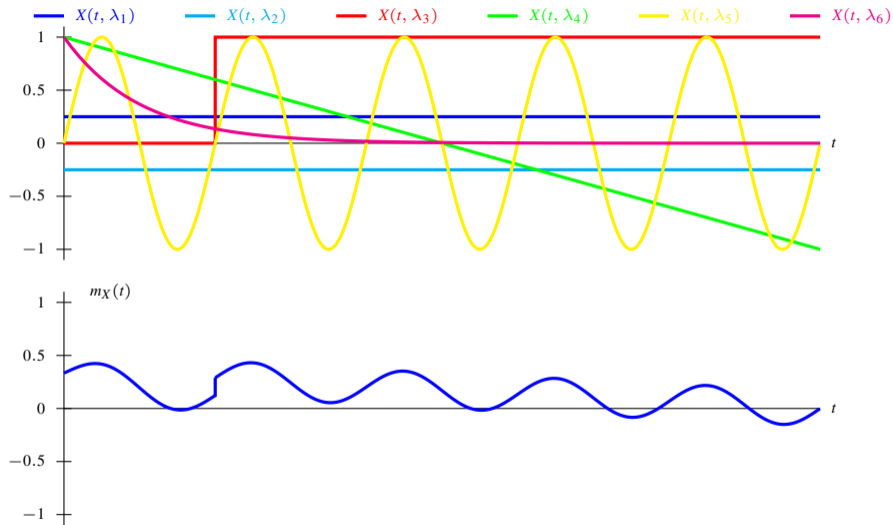
$$X(t, \lambda_1) = \frac{1}{4}, \quad X(t, \lambda_2) = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$X(t, \lambda_3) = u(t - 2) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } t \geq 2 \\ 0, & \text{if } t < 2 \end{cases}$$

$$X(t, \lambda_4) = 1 - \frac{t}{5}$$

$$X(t, \lambda_5) = e^{-t}, \quad X(t, \lambda_6) = \sin(\pi t)$$

Random process $X(t, \lambda) \equiv X(t)$ - Example III



Autocorrelation of stationary processes

Properties of $R_X(\tau)$ for a stationary stochastic process $X(t)$:

- Is an even function

$$R_X(-\tau) = R_X(\tau)$$

- The maximum value (in module) is obtained at $\tau = 0$

$$|R_X(\tau)| \leq R_X(0)$$

- If for some T_o , $R_X(T_o) = R_X(0)$ holds, then for every integer k

$$R_X(kT_o) = R_X(0)$$

- It is a positive semidefinite function

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(t) R_X(t-s) g(s) dt ds \geq 0, \forall g(t)$$

► Implication: $S_X(j\omega) = \mathcal{FT}\{R_X(\tau)\} \geq 0, \quad \forall \omega$

Ergodicity

- Averages for a process $X(t)$ and a function $g(x)$:

- 1 Statistical average

$$E[g(X(t))] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_{X(t)}(x) dx$$

This value is, in general, dependent on t .

- 2 Time average of the function for $X(t, \lambda_i)$

$$\langle g(x) \rangle_i = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} g(X(t, \lambda_i)) dt$$

Independent of t , but in general dependent on λ_i

- The stationary process $X(t)$ is ergodic if $\forall g(x)$ and $\forall \lambda_i \in \Omega$

$$\langle g(x) \rangle_i = E[g(X(t))]$$

Energy and power

- Energy of the random process $X(t)$, E_X

$$E_X = E[\mathcal{E}_X], \quad \mathcal{E}_X = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(t)|^2 dt$$

- Power of the random process $X(t)$, P_X

$$P_X = E[\mathcal{P}_X], \quad \mathcal{P}_X = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} |X(t)|^2 dt$$

- ▶ A random process has energy if $E_X < \infty$
- ▶ A random process is of power if $0 < P_X < \infty$

Energy and power (II)

$$E_X = E \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(t)|^2 dt \right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[|X(t)|^2] dt = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_X(t, t) dt$$

$$P_X = E \left[\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} |X(t)|^2 dt \right]$$
$$= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} E[|X(t)|^2] dt = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} R_X(t, t) dt$$

For *stationary random processes* $R_X(t, t) = R_X(0)$

$$P_X = R_X(0), \quad E_X = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_X(0) dt = \infty$$

Stationary processes of interest: **POWER processes**

Multidimensional (multiple) random processes

- Independence:

- ▶ $X(t)$ and $Y(t)$ are *independent* if $\forall t_1, t_2$, the random variables $X(t_1)$ and $Y(t_2)$ are independent

- Uncorrelation:

- ▶ $X(t)$ and $Y(t)$ are *uncorrelated* if $\forall t_1, t_2$, the random variables $X(t_1)$ and $Y(t_2)$ are uncorrelated

- Cross-correlation function

$$R_{X,Y}(t_1, t_2) = E[X(t_1) Y^*(t_2)]$$

- ▶ In general $R_{X,Y}(t_1, t_2) = R_{Y,X}^*(t_2, t_1)$

- Joint stationarity: $X(t)$ and $Y(t)$ are *jointly stationary* if

- ▶ Both are individually stationary

- ★ $m_X(t) = m_X, R_X(t + \tau, t) = R_X(\tau)$

- ★ $m_Y(t) = m_Y, R_Y(t + \tau, t) = R_Y(\tau)$

- ▶ $R_{X,Y}(t_1, t_2) = R_{X,Y}(\tau)$, with $\tau = t_1 - t_2$

- ★ Alternative notation: $R_{X,Y}(t + \tau, t) = R_{X,Y}(\tau)$

Time-autocorrelation function (time-ambiguity)

- Definition for a DETERMINISTIC function/signal $x(t)$

$$x(t) \in \mathcal{R} \quad \equiv \quad r_x(t) = x(t) * x(-t)$$

$$x(t) \in \mathcal{C} \quad \equiv \quad r_x(t) = x(t) * x^*(-t)$$

$$R_x(j\omega) = |X(j\omega)|^2$$

- ▶ “Matched” signal for $x(t)$: time-reversed and complex conjugated signal, $x^*(-t)$

★ In frequency: if $x(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} X(j\omega)$, for the matched signal $x^*(-t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} X^*(j\omega)$

- Properties

- ▶ Symmetric function with maximum at zero
- ▶ The value at $t = 0$ provides the energy

$$\mathcal{E}\{x(t)\} = r_x(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_x(j\omega) d\omega$$

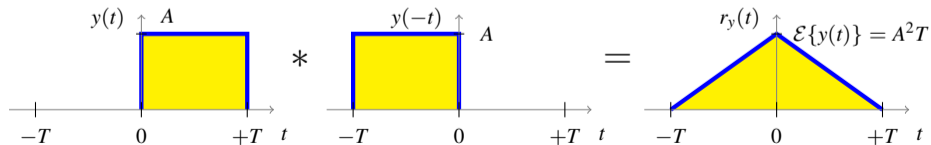
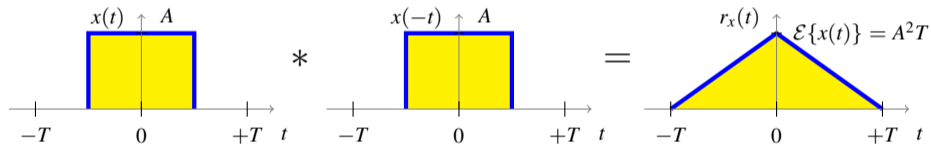
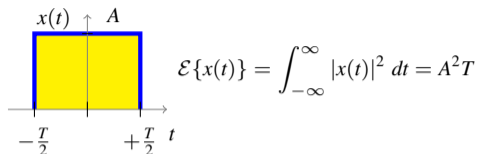
This property is evident considering the definition of energy (Parseval's relation)

$$\mathcal{E}\{x(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)|^2 dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |X(j\omega)|^2 d\omega$$

- ▶ Translation-invariant function of $x(t)$

$$y(t) = x(t - t_0) \rightarrow r_y(t) = r_x(t)$$

Example



Random processes in the frequency domain

- Spectrum of one of the signals of the random process

$$x_i(t) = X(t, \lambda_i) \rightarrow X_i(j\omega) = \mathcal{FT}\{x_i(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_i(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt$$

- ▶ Not all signals have a Fourier transform defined
- Definition of truncated signals of duration T

$$x_i^{[T]}(t) = \begin{cases} x_i(t), & |t| < T/2 \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- The truncated signals do have the Fourier transform well defined

$$\begin{aligned} X_i^{[T]}(j\omega) &= \mathcal{FT}\{x_i^{[T]}(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_i^{[T]}(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt \\ &= \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x_i(t) e^{-j\omega t} dt \end{aligned}$$

Power Spectral Density

- Truncated random process of duration T

$X^{[T]}(t)$: Process whose signals are $X^{[T]}(t, \lambda_i) = x_i^{[T]}(t)$ (truncated)

- Truncated random process in the frequency domain

$X^{[T]}(j\omega)$: Process whose signals are the FTs of $x_i^{[T]}(t)$, i.e., $X_i^{[T]}(j\omega)$

- Power spectral density of $X(t)$

$$S_X(j\omega) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} E \left[\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|X^{[T]}(j\omega)|^2}{T} \right] = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{E \left[|X^{[T]}(j\omega)|^2 \right]}{T}$$

Representation of the mean behavior of the squared modulus of the Fourier transform of all the signals that constitute the random process (with the “trick” of truncating to ensure the existence of said Fourier transform for all signals, and taking the truncation length to the limit)

► **Implication:** $S_X(j\omega) \geq 0, \quad \forall \omega$

Wiener-Khinchin theorem

If for any finite value τ and any interval \mathcal{A} , of length $|\tau|$, and the autocorrelation function satisfies

$$\left| \int_{\mathcal{A}} R_X(t + \tau, t) dt \right| < \infty$$

the power spectral density of $X(t)$ is the Fourier transform of the time-average of the autocorrelation function

$$S_X(j\omega) = \mathcal{FT} \{ \langle R_X(t + \tau, t) \rangle \}$$

The time-average of the autocorrelation function is

$$\langle R_X(t + \tau, t) \rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} R_X(t + \tau, t) dt$$

Wiener-Khinchin theorem - Corollaries

- Corollary 1: If $X(t)$ is a stationary random process and $\tau R_X(\tau) < \infty$ for all $\tau < \infty$

$$S_X(j\omega) = \mathcal{FT} \{R_X(\tau)\}$$

- Corollary 2: If $X(t)$ is cyclostationary and $\left| \int_0^{T_o} R_X(t + \tau, t) dt \right| < \infty$ then

$$S_X(j\omega) = \mathcal{FT} \{ \tilde{R}_X(\tau) \}$$

where

$$\tilde{R}_X(\tau) = \frac{1}{T_o} \int_{T_o} R_X(t + \tau, t) dt$$

and T_o is the cyclostationarity period

Power of a random process

- In the frequency domain

$$P_X = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_X(j\omega) d\omega \text{ Watts}$$

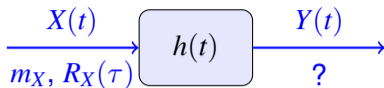
- In the time domain
 - ▶ Stationary process

$$P_X = R_X(0) \text{ Watts}$$

- ▶ Cyclostationary process

$$P_X = \tilde{R}_X(0) \text{ Watts}$$

Stationary Random Processes and Linear Systems



Theorem: $X(t)$ is stationary, with mean m_X and autocorrelation function $R_X(\tau)$. The process passes through a linear time-invariant system with impulse response $h(t)$. In this case, *the input and output processes, $X(t)$ and $Y(t)$, are jointly stationary, where*

$$m_Y = m_X \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t) dt$$

$$R_Y(\tau) = R_X(\tau) * h(\tau) * h(-\tau) = R_X(\tau) * r_h(\tau)$$

$$R_{X,Y}(\tau) = R_X(\tau) * h(-\tau)$$

$$R_{Y,X}(\tau) = R_{X,Y}(-\tau) = R_X(\tau) * h(\tau)$$

Additionally

$$R_Y(\tau) = R_{X,Y}(\tau) * h(\tau) = R_{Y,X}(\tau) * h(-\tau)$$

Output Process Mean

Definition of the output process by the convolution

$$Y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(s) h(t-s) ds$$

The mean of this process is

$$\begin{aligned} m_Y(t) &= E \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(s) h(t-s) ds \right] \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[X(s)] h(t-s) ds \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} m_X h(t-s) ds \\ &\stackrel{u=t-s}{=} m_X \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(u) du \end{aligned}$$

Cross correlation $R_{X,Y}(\tau)$

$$\begin{aligned}R_{X,Y}(t_1, t_2) &= E[X(t_1) Y(t_2)] \\&= E \left[X(t_1) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(s) h(t_2 - s) ds \right) \right] \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[X(t_1) X(s)] h(t_2 - s) ds \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_X(t_1 - s) h(t_2 - s) ds \\&\stackrel{u=s-t_2}{=} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_X(t_1 - t_2 - u) h(-u) du \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_X(\tau - u) h(-u) du \\&= R_X(\tau) * h(-\tau)\end{aligned}$$

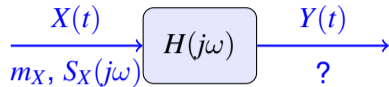
Cross correlation $R_{Y,X}(\tau)$

$$\begin{aligned}R_{Y,X}(t_1, t_2) &= E[Y(t_1) X(t_2)] \\&= E \left[\left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(s) h(t_1 - s) ds \right) X(t_2) \right] \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[X(s) X(t_2)] h(t_2 - s) ds \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_X(s - t_2) h(t_1 - s) ds \\&\stackrel{u=s-t_2}{=} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_X(u) h(t_1 - t_2 - u) du \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_X(u) h(\tau - u) du \\&= R_X(\tau) * h(\tau)\end{aligned}$$

Autocorrelation function $R_Y(\tau)$

$$\begin{aligned}R_Y(t_1, t_2) &= E[Y(t_1) Y(t_2)] \\&= E \left[\left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(s) h(t_1 - s) ds \right) Y(t_2) \right] \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[X(s) Y(t_2)] h(t_1 - s) ds \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{X,Y}(s - t_2) h(t_1 - s) ds \\&\stackrel{u=s-t_2}{=} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{X,Y}(u) h(t_1 - t_2 - u) du \\&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{X,Y}(u) h(\tau - u) du \\&= R_{X,Y}(\tau) * h(\tau) \\&= R_X(\tau) * h(-\tau) * h(\tau) \\&= R_X(\tau) * r_h(\tau)\end{aligned}$$

Relationships in the frequency domain



- Mean of the output process

$$m_Y = m_X H(0)$$

- Power spectral density of the output process

$$S_Y(j\omega) = S_X(j\omega) |H(j\omega)|^2$$

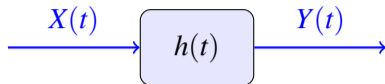
- Cross spectral densities

$$S_{X,Y}(j\omega) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathcal{FT} \{R_{X,Y}(\tau)\}$$

$$S_{X,Y}(j\omega) = S_X(j\omega) H^*(j\omega)$$

$$S_{Y,X}(j\omega) = S_{X,Y}^*(j\omega) = S_X(j\omega) H(j\omega)$$

Relationships between power spectral densities



$$S_X(j\omega) \times \begin{cases} H(j\omega) = S_{Y,X}(j\omega) \\ H^*(j\omega) = S_{X,Y}(j\omega) \\ |H(j\omega)|^2 = S_Y(j\omega) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{X,Y}(j\omega) &= S_{Y,X}^*(j\omega) \\ S_Y(j\omega) &= S_{X,Y}(j\omega) H(j\omega) \\ S_Y(j\omega) &= S_{Y,X}(j\omega) H^*(j\omega) \end{aligned}$$

Discrete-time Random Processes

- Notation: $X[n]$
- Statistical averages
 - ▶ Mean: $m_X[n] = E[X[n]]$
 - ▶ Autocorrelation: $R_X[n+k, n] = E[X[n+k] X[n]]$
 - ★ For complex random processes $R_X[n+k, n] = E[X[n+k] X^*[n]]$
- Stationarity:
 - ▶ Statistics are independent of time index n
 - ▶ Mean: $m_X[n] = m_X$
 - ▶ Autocorrelation: $R_X[n+k, n] = R_X[k]$
- Cyclostationarity:
 - ▶ Statistics are periodical in n , with period N
 - ▶ Mean: $m_X[n+N] = m_X[n]$
 - ▶ Autocorrelation: $R_X[n+k+N, n+N] = R_X[n+k, n]$

Discrete-time Random Processes - Spectrum and Power

- Power spectral density
 - ▶ Stationary processes

$$S_X(e^{j\omega}) = \mathcal{FT} \{R_X[k]\}$$

- ▶ Cyclostationary processes

$$S_X(e^{j\omega}) = \mathcal{FT} \{\tilde{R}_X[k]\}, \quad \tilde{R}_X[k] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} R_X[n+k, n]$$

- ▶ Power

$$P_X = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} S_X(e^{j\omega}) d\omega = \begin{cases} R_X[0], & X[n] \text{ stationary} \\ \tilde{R}_X[0], & X[n] \text{ cyclostationary} \end{cases}$$

Discrete-time Random Processes : Linear Systems

- Average output process

$$m_Y = m_X \sum_n h[n] = m_X H(e^{j0})$$

- Autocorrelation of the output process

$$R_Y[k] = R_X[k] * h[k] * h[-k] = R_X[k] * r_h[k]$$

- Power spectral density of the output process

$$S_Y(e^{j\omega}) = S_X(e^{j\omega}) |H(e^{j\omega})|^2$$

- Cross statistics

$$R_{X,Y}[k] = R_X[k] * h[-k]$$

$$S_{X,Y}(e^{j\omega}) = S_X(e^{j\omega}) H^*(e^{j\omega})$$

Addition of jointly stationary random processes

- Sum of jointly stationary processes $X(t)$ and $Y(t)$: $Z(t) = X(t) + Y(t)$

- ▶ Mean of $Z(t)$

$$\begin{aligned}m_Z(t) &= E[Z(t)] = E[X(t) + Y(t)] \\ &= E[X(t)] + E[Y(t)] = m_X + m_Y = m_Z\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Autocorrelation function of $Z(t)$

$$\begin{aligned}R_Z(t + \tau, t) &= E[Z(t + \tau) Z(t)] \\ &= E[(X(t + \tau) + Y(t + \tau)) (X(t) + Y(t))] \\ &= E[X(t + \tau) X(t)] + E[X(t + \tau) Y(t)] \\ &\quad + E[Y(t + \tau) X(t)] + E[Y(t + \tau) Y(t)] \\ &= R_X(\tau) + R_{X,Y}(\tau) + R_{Y,X}(\tau) + R_Y(\tau) \\ &= R_X(\tau) + R_Y(\tau) + R_{X,Y}(\tau) + R_{Y,X}(\tau) = R_Z(\tau)\end{aligned}$$

★ Random process $Z(t)$ is stationary

- ▶ Power spectral density of $Z(t)$

$$\begin{aligned}S_Z(j\omega) &= S_X(j\omega) + S_Y(j\omega) + S_{X,Y}(j\omega) + S_{Y,X}(j\omega) \\ &= S_X(j\omega) + S_Y(j\omega) + 2 \operatorname{Re}[S_{X,Y}(j\omega)]\end{aligned}$$

Sum of Random Processes - Uncorrelated

- Ratio (covariance / correlation) for jointly stationary processes

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(X(t + \tau), Y(t)) &= E[(X(t + \tau) - m_X) (Y(t) - m_Y)] \\ &= \underbrace{E[X(t + \tau) Y(t)]}_{R_{X,Y}(\tau)} - m_Y \underbrace{E[X(t + \tau)]}_{m_X} \\ &\quad - m_X \underbrace{E[Y(t)]}_{m_Y} + m_X m_Y \\ &= R_{X,Y}(\tau) - m_X m_Y\end{aligned}$$

- Uncorrelated processes:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{By definition : } &\text{Cov}(X(t + \tau), Y(t)) = 0, \forall \tau \\ \text{Consequence : } &R_{X,Y}(\tau) = m_X m_Y\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ If at least one of the (uncorrelated) processes has a zero mean

$$\begin{aligned}R_Z(\tau) &= R_X(\tau) + R_Y(\tau) \\ S_Z(j\omega) &= S_X(j\omega) + S_Y(j\omega)\end{aligned}$$

Gaussian processes

- Definition: $X(t)$ is a *Gaussian process* if for all n and all $\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n\}$, the joint distribution of RV's $\{X(t_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ is a **Multivariate Normal (Gaussian) distribution**
- Properties of Gaussian processes
 - ▶ $m_X(t)$ y $R_X(t_1, t_2)$: full statistical description of $X(t)$
 - ★ Vector of means and matrix of covariances:
 - For $X(t_i)$, $\Rightarrow \mu_i = m_X(t_i)$
 - $X(t_i), X(t_j)$, $\Rightarrow C_{i,j} = \text{Cov}(X(t_i), X(t_j)) = R_X(t_i, t_j) - m_X(t_i) m_X(t_j)$
 - ▶ Strict sense and wide sense stationarity are equivalent
 - ▶ If $X(t)$ is a zero mean stationary process, a sufficient condition for ergodicity is

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |R_X(\tau)| d\tau < \infty$$

- ▶ If $X(t)$ passes through a linear and time invariant system:
 - ★ The output process $Y(t)$ is Gaussian
 - ★ $X(t)$ and $Y(t)$ are jointly Gaussian

Jointly-Gaussian stochastic processes

- Definition: The processes $X(t)$ and $Y(t)$ are *jointly Gaussian*, if for all n, m , and all $\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n\}$ and $\{\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_m\}$, the joint distribution of the following random variables

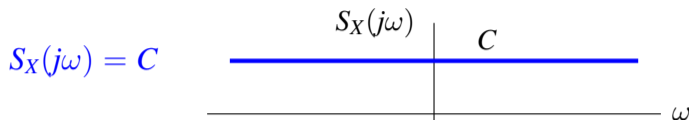
$$\{X(t_1), X(t_2), \dots, X(t_n), Y(\tau_1), Y(\tau_2), \dots, Y(\tau_m)\}$$

is a Multivariate Normal (Gaussian) distribution (of dimension $n + m$)

- Property: For joint Gaussian processes, incorrelation and independence are equivalent

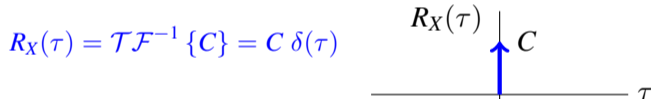
White process (stationary)

- A process is white if its power spectral density is constant for all frequencies



► Consequences

- ★ Autocorrelation function of a stationary white process

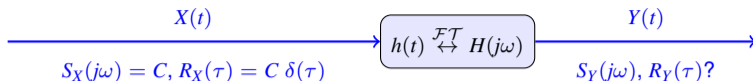


- ★ The power of a white process is infinite

$$P_X = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_X(j\omega) d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} C d\omega = \infty \text{ Watts.}$$

$$X(t) \text{ stationary : } P_X = R_X(0) = C \delta(0) = \infty \text{ Watts.}$$

Filtering a white process



- Power spectral density at the filter output ($Y(t)$)

$$S_Y(j\omega) = S_X(j\omega) |H(j\omega)|^2 = C |H(j\omega)|^2$$

- ▶ In general the process $Y(t)$ is not white

★ $|H(j\omega)|$ is constant only for an all-pass system: attenuator or amplifier

- Autocorrelation function

$$R_Y(\tau) = R_X(\tau) * h(\tau) * h(-\tau) = R_X(\tau) * r_h(\tau) = C r_h(\tau)$$

- Power

$$P_Y = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_Y(j\omega) d\omega = C \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(j\omega)|^2 d\omega, \quad P_Y = R_Y(0) = C r_h(0)$$

- ▶ As by definition $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(j\omega)|^2 d\omega = \mathcal{E}\{h(t)\} = r_h(0)$

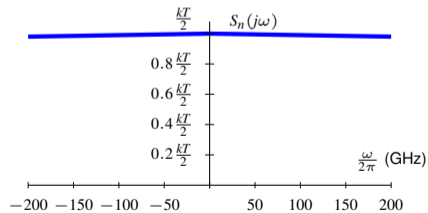
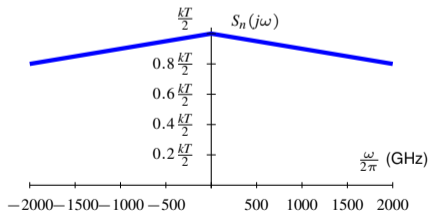
$$P_Y = C \mathcal{E}\{h(t)\} \text{ Watts}$$

Thermal noise

- Gaussian statistics
- Power spectral density of thermal noise (quantum mechanics)

$$S_n(j\omega) = \frac{h\omega}{4\pi(e^{\frac{h\omega}{2\pi kT}} - 1)}$$

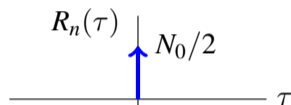
where $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} h: \text{Planck's constant } (6.6 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Joules} \times \text{second}) \\ k: \text{Boltzmann's constant } (1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ Joules/}^\circ\text{Kelvin}) \\ T: \text{Temperature in Kelvin degrees} \\ \omega: \text{Frequency in rad/s} \end{array} \right.$



Thermal noise model

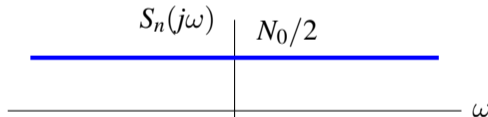
- Stochastic process $n(t)$
 - ▶ White, Gaussian, stationary and ergodic
 - ▶ Zero mean ($m_n = 0$)
 - ▶ Autocorrelation function

$$R_n(\tau) = \frac{N_0}{2} \delta(\tau)$$



- ▶ Power spectral density

$$S_n(j\omega) = \frac{N_0}{2}$$

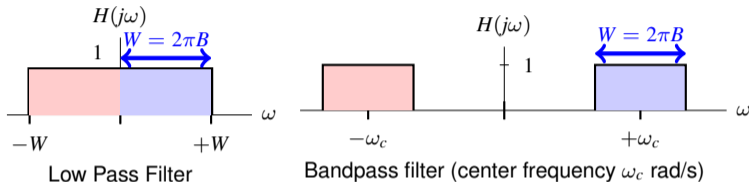


- Value of the constant N_0 $N_0 = k T$ Watts/Hz

- Power
$$P_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_n(j\omega) d\omega = R_n(0) = \infty$$

Thermal noise power at the output of ideal filters

- Ideal filters with bandwidth B Hz (or $W = 2\pi B$ rad/s): low-pass or band-pass filter with center frequency f_c Hz (or $\omega_c = 2\pi f_c$ rad/s)



- Filter output process

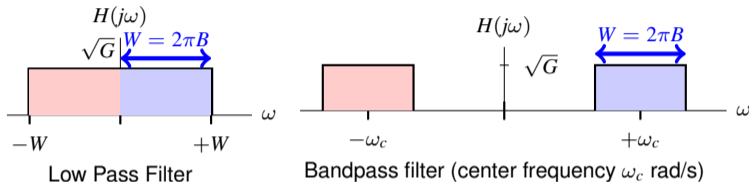
$$\text{Process } Z(t) \text{ with } S_Z(j\omega) = \frac{N_0}{2} |H(j\omega)|^2$$

- Filter output power

$$P_Z = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_z(j\omega) d\omega = \frac{N_0}{2} \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(j\omega)|^2 d\omega}_{\mathcal{E}\{h(t)\}=2B} = N_0 B \text{ Watts}$$

Thermal noise power at the output of ideal filters with gain

- Ideal filters (low pass/band pass) of bandwidth B Hz (or $W = 2\pi B$ rad/s) and with power gain G (voltage gain \sqrt{G})



- Filter output process

$$\text{Process } Z(t) \text{ with } S_Z(j\omega) = \frac{N_0}{2} |H(j\omega)|^2$$

- Filter output power

$$P_Z = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_z(j\omega) d\omega = \frac{N_0}{2} \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(j\omega)|^2 d\omega}_{\mathcal{E}\{h(t)\}=2BG} = N_0 B G \text{ Watts}$$

Noise-Equivalent Bandwidth

- Noise at the output of a linear system

- ▶ System response: $h(t) \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{F}T} H(j\omega)$

$$\text{Process } Z(t) \text{ with } S_Z(j\omega) = \frac{N_0}{2} |H(j\omega)|^2$$

- Noise power at the output of the linear system

$$P_Z = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_Z(j\omega) d\omega = \frac{N_0}{2} \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(j\omega)|^2 d\omega}_{\mathcal{E}\{h(t)\}}$$

- Noise power as a function of the noise-equivalent bandwidth

$$P_Z = N_0 B_{eq} G_{eq} \text{ Watts}$$

- ▶ B_{eq} : Noise-equivalent bandwidth
- ▶ G_{eq} : Equivalent power gain

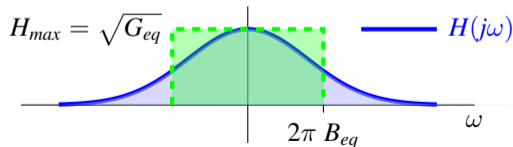
Noise-Equivalent Bandwidth - Identification

- Definition: $G_{eq} = H_{max}^2$, with $H_{max} = \max_{\omega} |H(j\omega)|$
- Identification of the value of B_{eq}

$$B_{eq} = \frac{\mathcal{E}\{h(t)\}}{2 G_{eq}} \text{ Hz}$$

$$\mathcal{E}\{h(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(t)|^2 dt = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(j\omega)|^2 d\omega \text{ J}$$

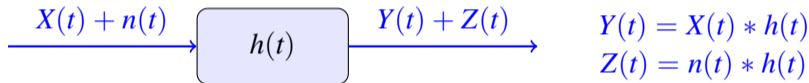
- Interpretation: An ideal linear system, of bandwidth B_{eq} and amplitude H_{max} ($\sqrt{G_{eq}}$) has the same noise power at the output than the filter $h(t)$



Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR): need for noise filtering

● Approach

- ▶ Signal to be transmitted: process $X(t)$, with power P_X
- ▶ Additive noise: thermal noise model $n(t)$
- ▶ Filter (usually on the receiver): responses $h(t)$ and $H(j\omega)$
 - ★ Signal at the output of the receiver filter: process $Y(t)$
 - ★ Noise at the output of the receiver filter: process $Z(t)$



● Unfiltered signal-to-noise ratio

$$\left. \frac{S}{N} \right|_{in} = \frac{P_X}{P_n}, \quad \left. \frac{S}{N} \right|_{in} \text{ (dB)} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_X}{P_n} \text{ dB}$$

● Signal-to-noise ratio at the filter output

$$\left. \frac{S}{N} \right|_{out} = \frac{P_Y}{P_Z}, \quad \left. \frac{S}{N} \right|_{out} \text{ (dB)} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_Y}{P_Z} \text{ dB}$$

Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR): need for noise filtering (II)

- Signal to noise ratio before filtering

$$\left. \frac{S}{N} \right|_{in} = \frac{P_X}{P_n} = \frac{P_X}{\infty} = 0, \quad \left. \frac{S}{N} \right|_{in} \text{ (dB)} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_X}{P_n} = -\infty \text{ dB}$$

Filtering is necessary to limit the power of thermal noise !!!

- Signal-to-noise ratio at the filter output

$$\left. \frac{S}{N} \right|_{out} = \frac{P_Y}{P_Z}, \quad \left. \frac{S}{N} \right|_{out} \text{ (dB)} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_Y}{P_Z} \text{ dB}$$

▶ Signal power:
$$P_Y = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_Y(j\omega) d\omega = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_X(j\omega) |H(j\omega)|^2 d\omega$$

▶ Noise power:
$$P_Z = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_Z(j\omega) d\omega = \frac{N_0}{2} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(j\omega)|^2 d\omega = \frac{N_0}{2} \mathcal{E}\{h(t)\}$$

- ★ Ideal filters (without gain | with gain)

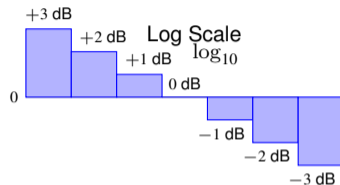
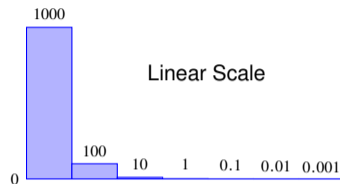
$$P_Z = N_0 B \quad | \quad P_Z = N_0 B G$$

- ★ Filter with noise-equivalent bandwidth B_{eq} Hz and gain G_{eq}

$$P_Z = N_0 B_{eq} G_{eq}$$

Log scale: decibels

- Relationship between quantities (relative measure, dimensionless)
 - ▶ Logarithmic scale to jointly visualize quantities with very different values from each other



- ▶ Examples

- ★ Power ratio

$$\text{dB} \equiv 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_1}{P_2}$$

- ★ Relationship of voltages or currents

$$\text{dB} \equiv 20 \log_{10} \frac{V_1}{V_2} \quad \text{dB} \equiv 20 \log_{10} \frac{I_1}{I_2}$$

- ★ Representation of the frequency response of a system

$$\text{dB} \equiv 20 \log_{10} |H(j\omega)| = 10 \log_{10} |H(j\omega)|^2$$

Properties of the logarithmic representation

- Reverse operation

$$\text{dB} \equiv 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_1}{P_2} \quad \text{dB} \equiv 20 \log_{10} \frac{V_1}{V_2}$$

$$\frac{P_1}{P_2} = 10^{\frac{\text{dB}}{10}} \quad \frac{V_1}{V_2} = 10^{\frac{\text{dB}}{20}}$$

- Products in linear scale become sums in dB

$$A \times B \leftrightarrow 10 \log_{10}(A \times B) = 10 \log_{10} A + 10 \log_{10} B = a \text{ dB} + b \text{ dB}$$

$$\frac{A}{B} \leftrightarrow 10 \log_{10} \frac{A}{B} = 10 \log_{10} A - 10 \log_{10} B = a \text{ dB} - b \text{ dB}$$

- Doubling/dividing by two, in linear, is equivalent to
 - ▶ Add/subtract 3 dB ($10 \log_{10} 2$)
 - ▶ Add/subtract 6 dB ($20 \log_{10} 2$)
- Multiply/divide by 10, in linear, is equivalent to
 - ▶ Add/subtract 10 dB ($10 \log_{10} 10$)
 - ▶ Add/subtract 20 dB ($20 \log_{10} 10$)

Units based on decibel

- Measure of the relative difference with respect to a reference unit
 - ▶ Example: Sound intensity (ref.: hearing threshold, 1 pW/m²)

$$\text{dB}_{\text{SI}} \equiv 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_1}{P_0} = 10 \log_{10} \frac{P_1}{10^{-12}}$$

★ Reference: 0 dB_{SI} are equivalent to an intensity equal to the hearing threshold

- Other logarithmic units

- ▶ dBW: reference 1 W (power)
- ▶ dBm: reference 1 mW (power)
- ▶ dBu: reference $\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}} = 0.7746$ V (voltage)
 - ★ It is the voltage that applied to an impedance of 600 Ω develops a power of 1 mW
- ▶ dBc: takes as reference the value of the carrier (to measure the value of its harmonics)
- ▶ dB_{SPL}: reference sound pressure level
 - ★ In the air: 10 μPa
 - ★ In water: 1 μPa
- ▶ dBi: takes an isotropic antenna as reference