

# Control Engineering (SC42095)

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# Lecture outline

- Internal model principle
- Repetitive control
- Disturbance models

# Generating polynomial

Assume reference signal or disturbance  $d(t)$  satisfies the differential equation:

$$\frac{d^{n_d}}{dt^{n_d}}d(t) + \gamma_{n_d-1}\frac{d^{n_d-1}}{dt^{n_d-1}}d(t) + \cdots + \gamma_1\frac{d}{dt}d(t) + \gamma_0d(t) = 0$$
$$\underbrace{\left(s^{n_d} + \gamma_{n_d-1}s^{n_d-1} + \cdots + \gamma_0\right)}_{\Gamma_d(s)} D(s) = f(0, s)$$

- $\Gamma_d(s)$  is called disturbance generating polynomial
- $f(0, s)$  is a polynomial in  $s$  (due to initial conditions)

# Disturbance generating polynomial examples

$$d(t) = d_0 \text{ constant} \quad \rightarrow \quad \Gamma_d(s) = s$$

$$d(t) = \sin(\omega t) \quad \rightarrow \quad \Gamma_d(s) = s^2 + \omega^2$$

$$d(t) = e^{at} \quad \rightarrow \quad \Gamma_d(s) = s - a$$

$$d(t) = d_0 + d_1 e^{at} \quad \rightarrow \quad \Gamma_d(s) = s(s - a)$$

# Internal model principle (IMP)

Assume a standard one-degree-of-freedom control architecture.

If  $d_i(t), d_o(t), r(t)$  has  $\Gamma_d(s)$  as their generating polynomial, then the controller

$$C(s) = \frac{P(s)}{\Gamma_d(s)\bar{L}(s)}$$

can asymptotically reject the effect of input-, output-disturbance, and track the reference.

Note: Only the generating polynomial is needed, not the magnitude of the disturbance / reference.

# Why does it work?

Recall: For step reference tracking, step disturbance rejection, we needed an integrator in the controller to get zero steady state error.

Describe plant as  $G(s) = \frac{B(s)}{A(s)}$ , and assume that  $\Gamma_d(s)$  is not a factor of  $B(s)$ .

Closed-loop transfer functions:

$$S = \frac{\Gamma_d \bar{L} A}{\Gamma_d \bar{L} A + P B}, \quad S_i = \frac{\Gamma_d \bar{L} B}{\Gamma_d \bar{L} A + P B}$$
$$T = \frac{P B}{\Gamma_d \bar{L} A + P B}$$

# Why does it work? (cont'd)

Suppose  $\bar{L}, P$  chosen such that the closed-loop characteristic equation

$$A_{cl}(s) = \Gamma_d(s)\bar{L}(s)A(s) + P(s)B(s)$$

has roots with negative real parts.

E.g., by pole-placement, input-output design (using Diophantine equation or Sylvester matrix).

# Why does it work? (cont'd)

Response of system to output disturbance  $d_o(t)$  with generating polynomial  $\Gamma_d(s)$ :

$$Y(s) = S(s)D_o(s) = S(s)\frac{f(0, s)}{\Gamma_d(s)} = \frac{\bar{L}(s)A(s)}{A_{cl}(s)}$$

Notice that cancelation of  $\Gamma_d(s)$  occurs and  $y(t \rightarrow \infty) = 0$  since  $A_{cl}$  is stable.

For input disturbance  $d_i(t)$ :

$$Y(s) = S_i(s)D_i(s) = \frac{\bar{L}(s)B(s)}{A_{cl}(s)}$$

For reference  $r(t)$  ( $e(t) = r(t) - y(t)$ ):

$$E(s) = (1 - T(s))\frac{f(0, s)}{\Gamma_d(s)} = S(s)\frac{f(0, s)}{\Gamma_d(s)}$$



# IMP in state-space

Create a disturbance exo-system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_d &= A_d x_d \\ d &= C_d x_d\end{aligned}$$

Estimate  $d(t)$  using an observer (see in Lecture 6).

The controller will have the eigenvalues of  $A_d$  as poles.

$$\begin{aligned}D(s) &= C_d(sI - A_d)^{-1}x_d(0) \\ \Gamma_d(s) &= \det(sI - A_d)\end{aligned}$$

# IMP in discrete-time

$d(k)$  satisfies:

$$\begin{aligned} d(k) + \gamma_1 d(k-1) + \cdots + \gamma_N d(k-N) &= 0 \\ \underbrace{\left(1 + \gamma_1 q^{-1} + \cdots + \gamma_N q^{-N}\right)}_{\Gamma_d(q^{-1})} d(k) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

The rest of the story is the same as in continuous-time...

# Repetitive control



Goal is to eliminate the effect of periodic disturbance,  
or to track periodic reference input.  
(Need to “learn” the disturbance → special IMP controller.)

# Repetitive control

Consider  $N$ -periodic disturbances:  $d(k - N) = d(k)$

This means that  $d(k)$  satisfies  $q^{-N}d(k) = d(k)$

$$\left(1 - q^{-N}\right) d(k) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \Gamma_d(q^{-1}) = 1 - q^{-N}$$

Let's try to use IMP in discrete-time:

$$C(q^{-1}) = \frac{P(q^{-1})}{\Gamma_d(q^{-1})\bar{L}(q^{-1})}$$

Problem: Disturbance generating polynomial is of very high order, difficult to assign poles.

# Prototype controller

Assume  $G(q^{-1}) = \frac{B(q^{-1})}{A(q^{-1})}$  is stable, minimum phase.

Choose

$$C(q^{-1}) = k_r \frac{Aq^{\delta-N}}{B(1 - q^{-N})}$$

which leads to  $e(k) = (1 - k_r)e(k - N)$  and it

1. inverts the plant
2. has  $(1 - q^{-N})$  in denominators because of IMP
3. delays the control by one cycle ( $q^{-N}$ )

# Remarks

- $A(q^{-1})$  should be stabilized first.
- $B(q^{-1})$  unstable factors shouldn't be canceled.
- Further modification necessary (gain mod., zero phase comp.).
- Robustness problems using  $\Gamma_d = (1 - q^{-N})$ , which implies controller with very high gain at *all* harmonics of the disturbance frequency.

Solution: limit bandwidth by modifying  $1 - q^{-N}$  to

$$1 - Q(q, q^{-1})q^{-N}$$

where  $Q$  is a unity gain zero phase filter, e.g.:

$$Q(q, q^{-1}) = 0.1q^2 + 0.15q + 0.5 + 0.15q^{-1} + 0.1q^{-2}$$

It smoothes out the generating polynomial and reduces gain at high order harmonics.

# Example

Consider a single integrator

$$G(q^{-1}) = \frac{hq^{-1}}{1 - q^{-1}}$$

thus  $A = 1 - q^{-1}$ ,  $B = h$ ,  $\delta = 1$ . The controller

$$C(q^{-1}) = \frac{k_r q^{-(N-1)}(1 - q^{-1})}{h(1 - q^{-N})}$$

leads to

$$u(k) = u(k - N) - \frac{k_r}{h} (e(k + 1 - N) - e(k + 2 - N))$$

which shows that the control action is updated with the error in the previous cycle (the control is “learned”).

# Repetitive control in state-space

Disturbance generating exo-system:

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{d1}(k+1) \\ \vdots \\ x_{dN}(k+1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{d1}(k) \\ \vdots \\ x_{dN}(k) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d(k) = x_{d1}(k)$$



# Repetitive control in state-space (cont'd)

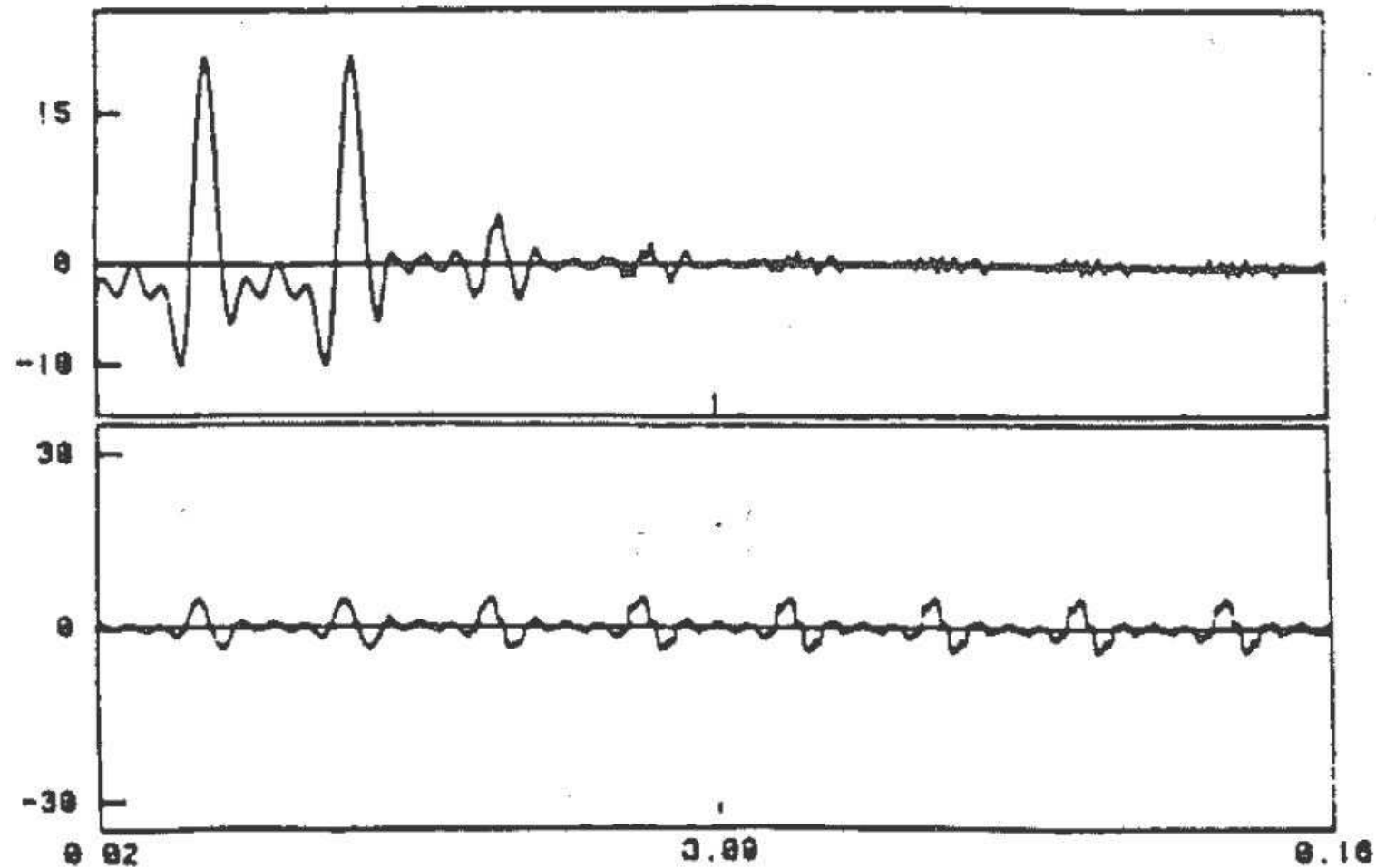
We then proceed with the disturbance-estimate feedback approach to IMP:

$$u(k) = -Kx(k) - \hat{d}(k)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{x}(k+1) \\ \hat{x}_d(k+1) \end{pmatrix} = \overbrace{\begin{pmatrix} A & BC_d \\ 0 & A_d \end{pmatrix}}^{\tilde{A}} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{x}(k) \\ \hat{x}_d(k) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} u(k) - L(y(k) - C\hat{x}(k))$$
$$\hat{d}(k) = C_d \hat{x}_d(k)$$

Choose  $L$  such that  $\tilde{A} - LC$  is stable.

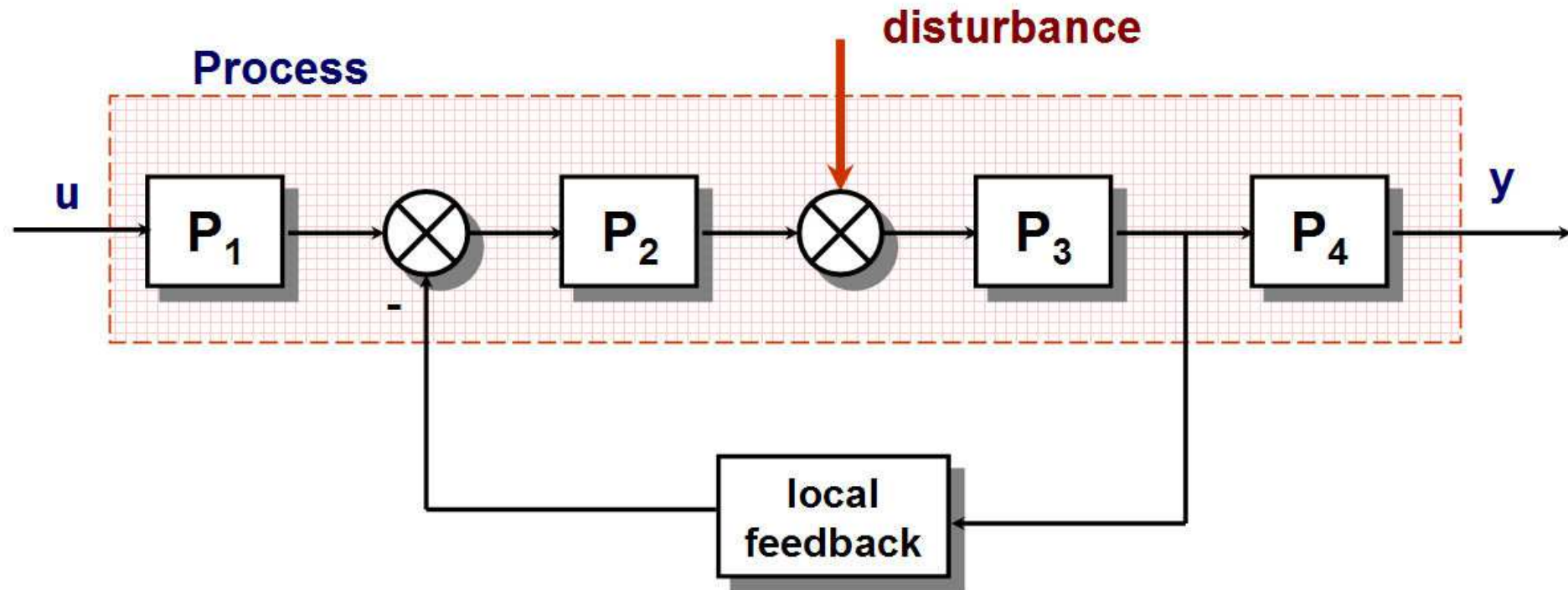
# Repetitive control result example



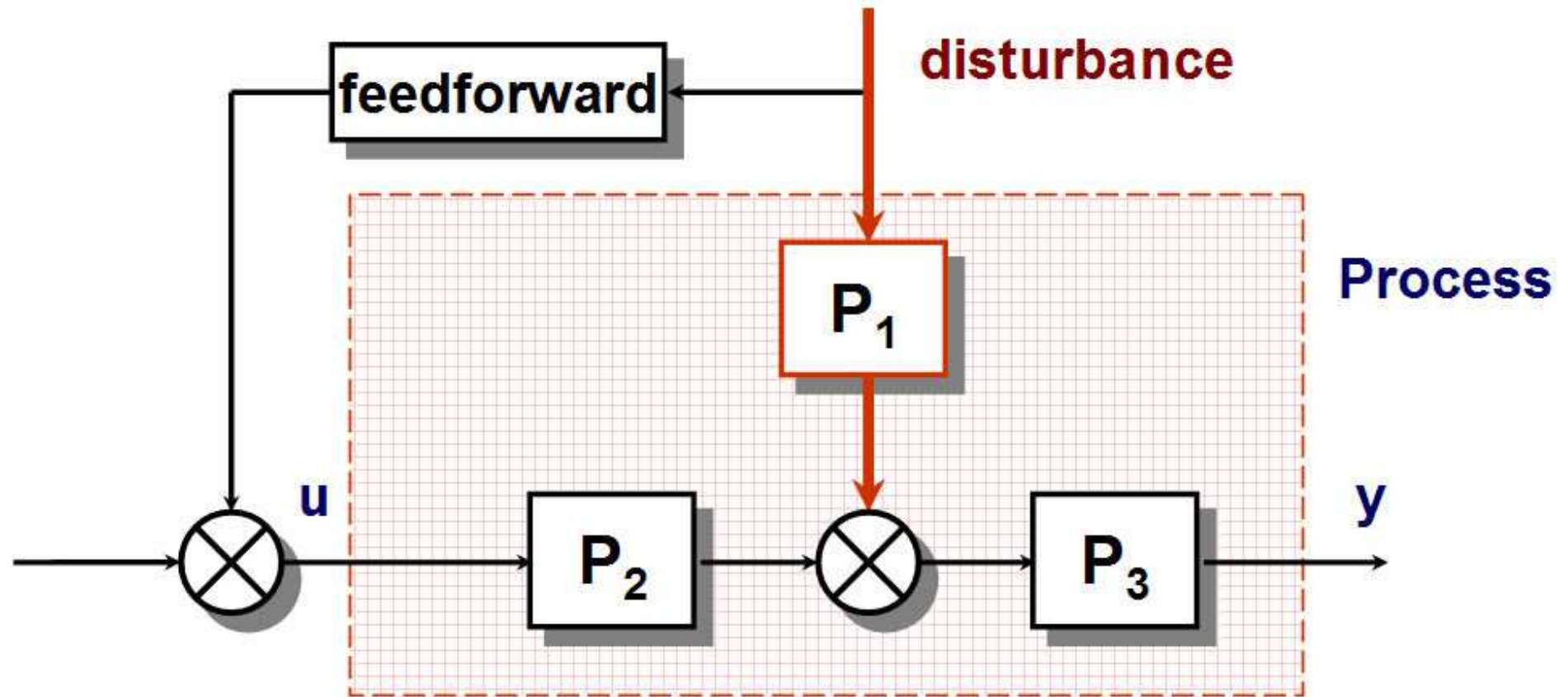
# Reduction of effects of disturbances

- Reduction at the source
- Reduction by local feedback
- Reduction by feedforward
- Reduction by prediction

# Disturbance compensation with local feedback



# Disturbance compensation with feedforward



# Disturbance compensation using prediction

Signal  $y(k)$  is assumed to be generated by:

$$\begin{aligned}x(k+1) &= \Phi x(k) + v(k) \\ y(k) &= Cx(k)\end{aligned}$$

where  $v(k)$  is assumed to be zero except at isolated points.

$$x(k-n+1) = W_o^{-1} (y(k-n+1) \cdots y(k-1) \ y(k))^T$$

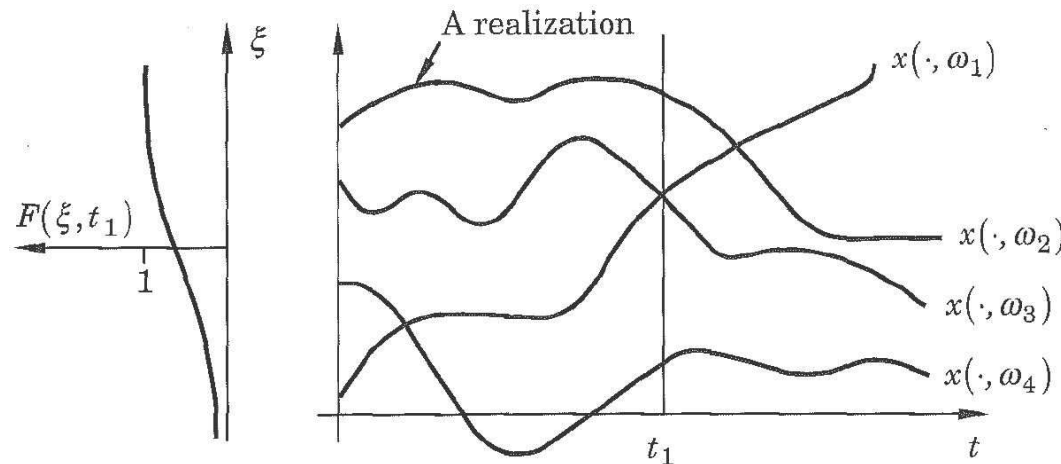
$$\hat{x}(k+m|k) = \Phi^{m+n-1} W_o^{-1} (y(k-n+1) \cdots y(k-1) \ y(k))^T$$

This gives the predictor as a polynomial of degree  $n-1$

$$\hat{y}(k+m|k) = P^*(q^{-1})y(k)$$

# Stochastic processes and disturbance models

Stochastic (random) process:  $\{x(t, \omega), t \in T, \omega \in W\}$   
~ indexed family of random variables.



Finite-dimensional distribution function:

$$F(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n; t_1, \dots, t_n) = P \{x(t_1) \leq \xi_1, \dots, x(t_n) \leq \xi_n\}$$

If all finite-dimensional distributions are shift-invariant:  
*stationary* stochastic process

# Stochastic processes and disturbance models

*Mean-value function* (constant for stationary processes):

$$m(t) = \mathbb{E}(x(t)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \xi dF(\xi; t)$$

*Covariance function* (function of only  $s-t$  for stationary processes):

$$\begin{aligned} r_{xx}(s, t) &= \text{cov}(x(s), x(t)) = \mathbb{E} \left( (x(s) - m(s))(x(t) - m(t))^T \right) \\ &= \int \int (\xi_1 - m(s))(\xi_2 - m(t))^T dF(\xi_1, \xi_2; s, t) \end{aligned}$$

Process variance is  $r_x(0)$  (how large fluctuations are).

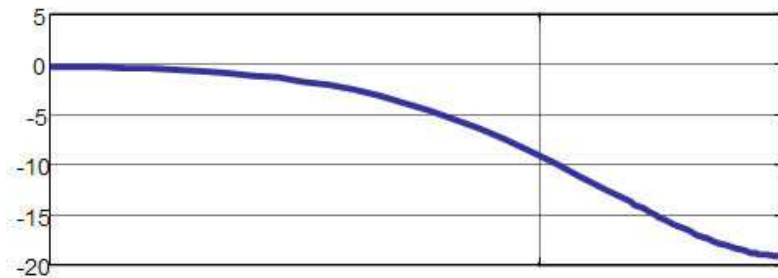
*Spectral density*:

$$\phi_x(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} r_x(k) e^{-jk\omega}$$

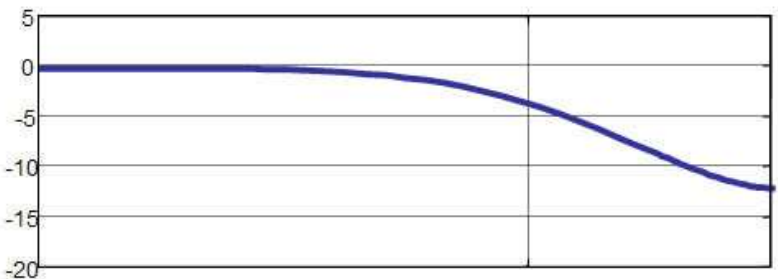


# Interpretation of spectrum

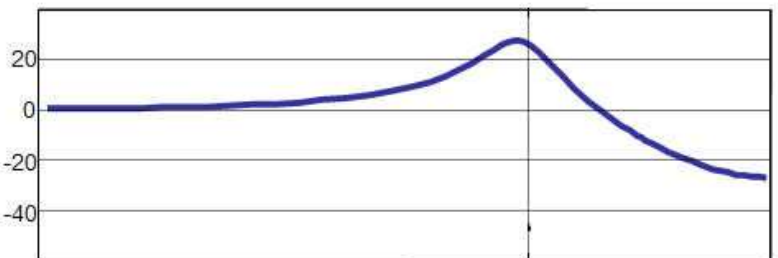
**Spectrum**



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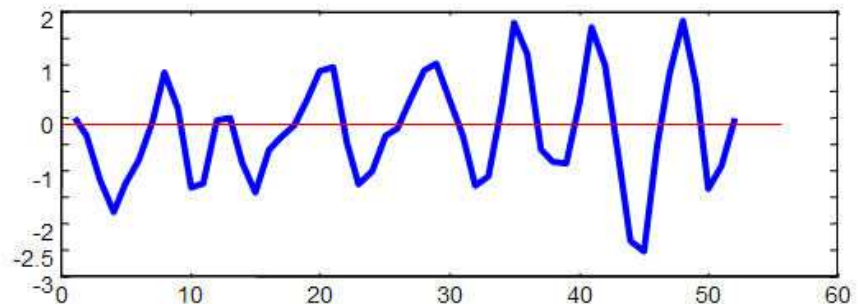
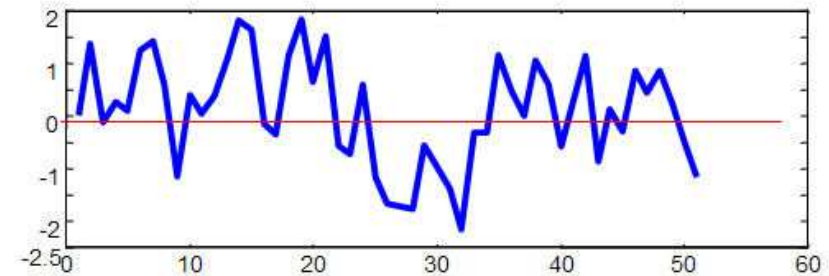
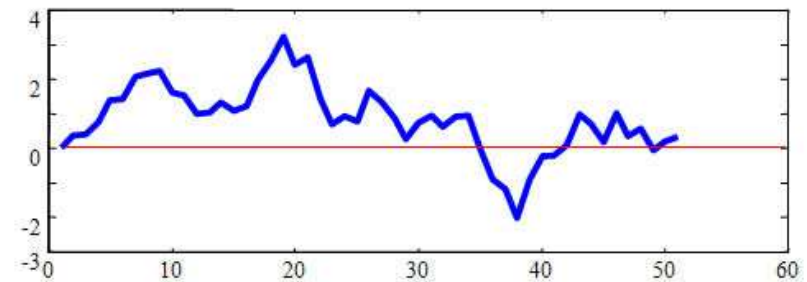


**b**

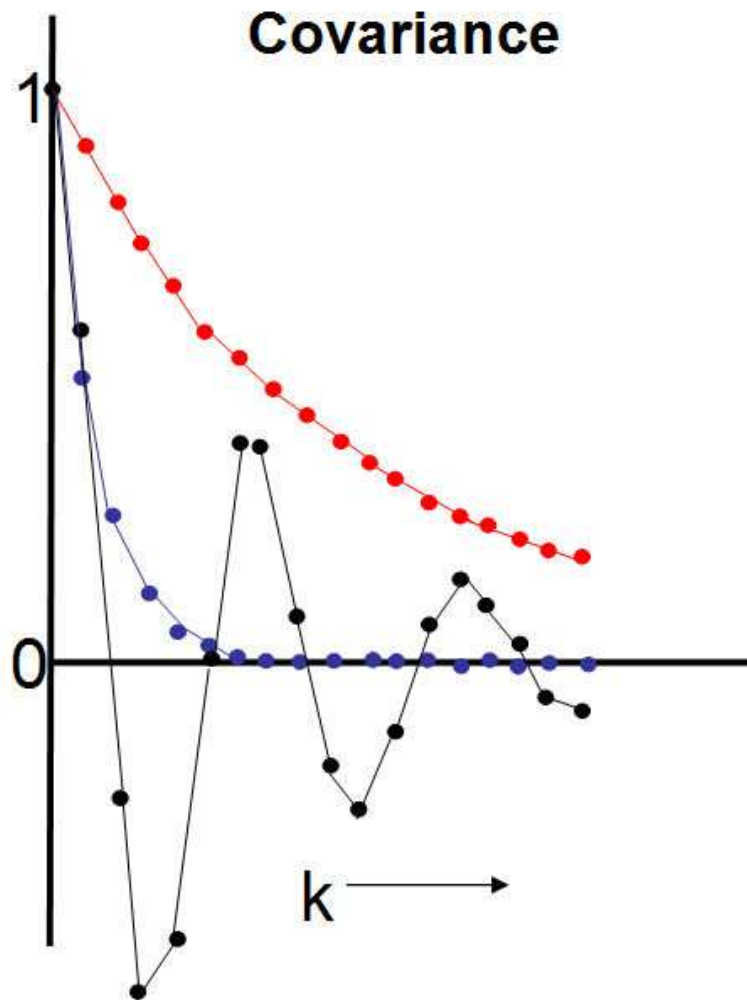


**c**

**Time signal**

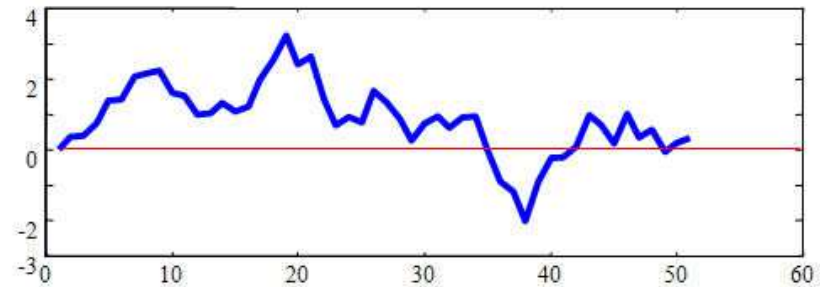


# Interpretation of covariance

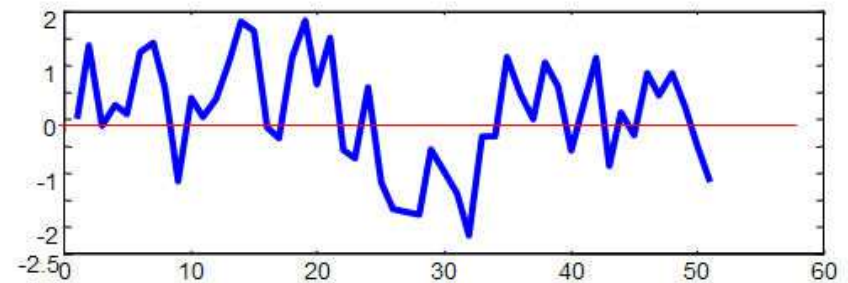


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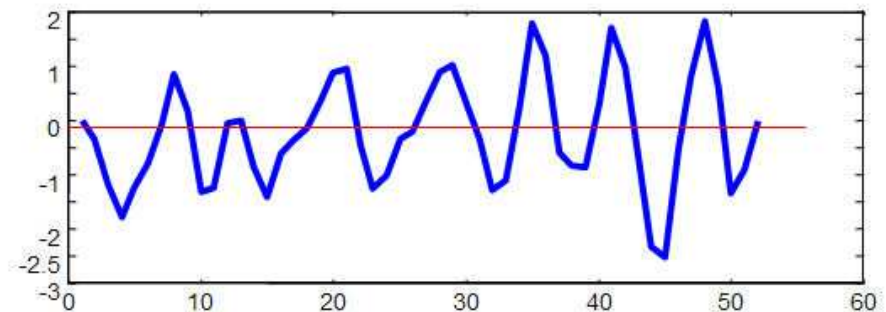
**a**



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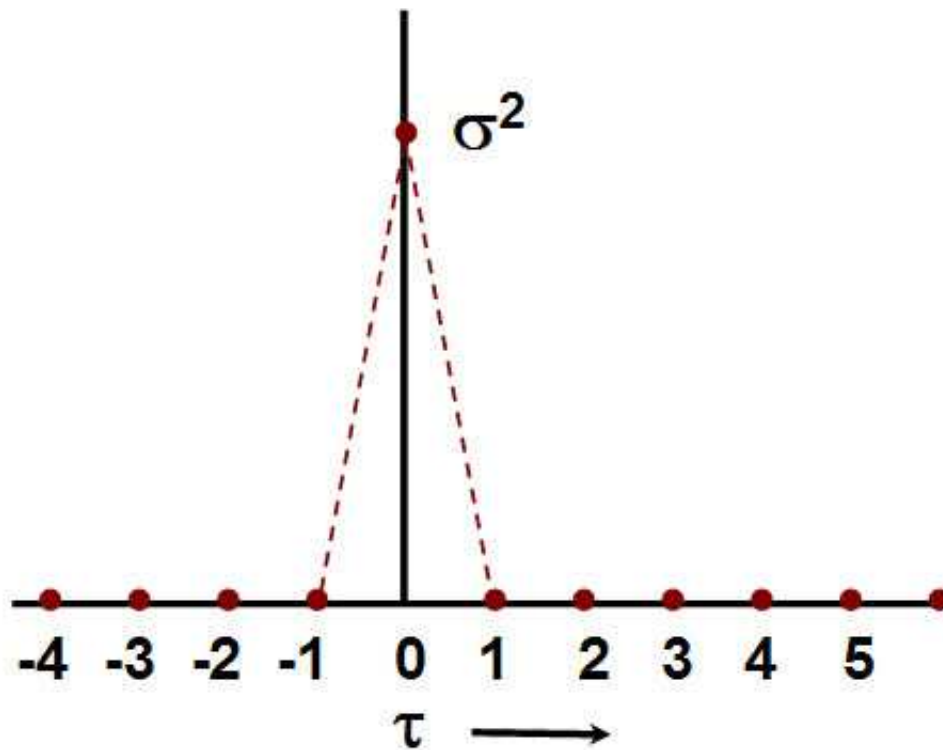


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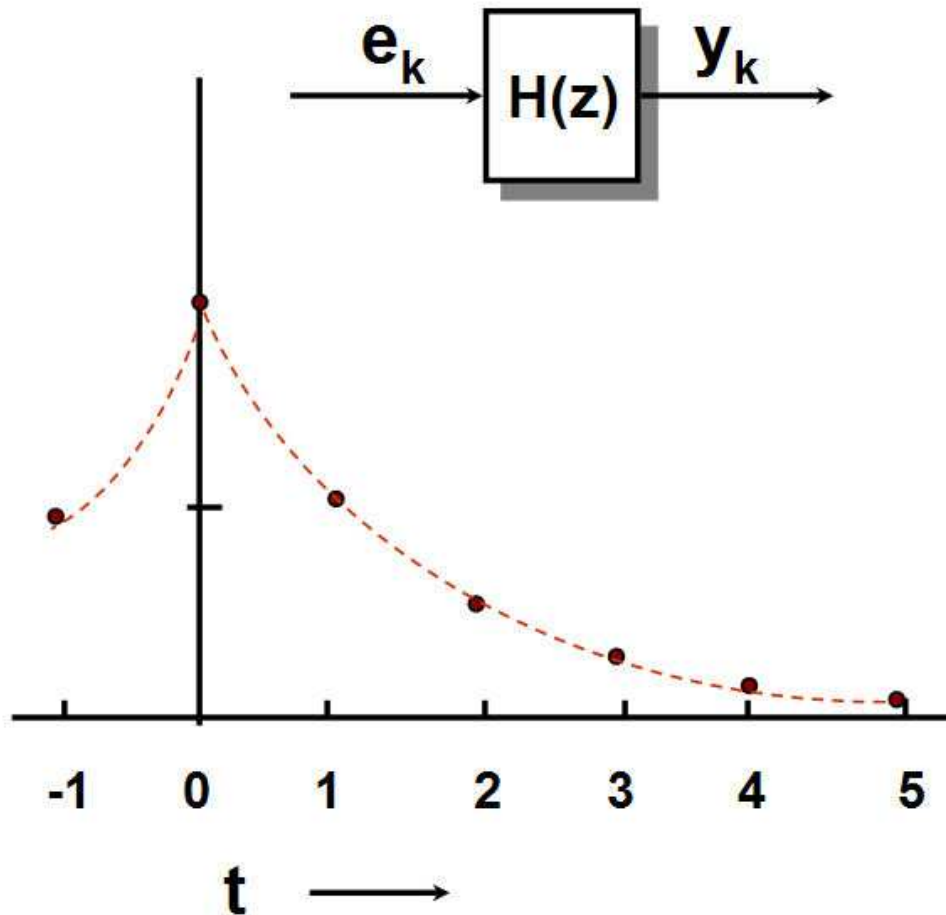
# Discrete-time white noise

## Covariance function



$$\phi(\omega) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2\pi}$$

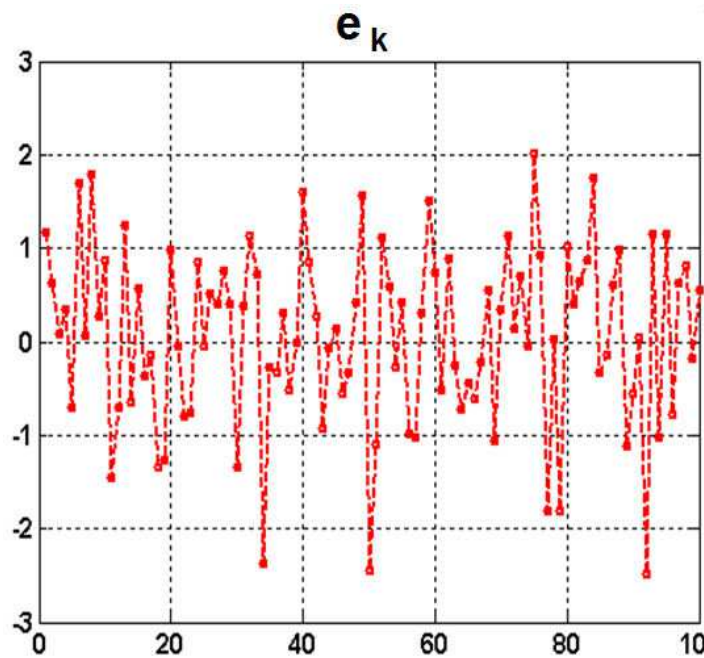
# Stochastic disturbance model



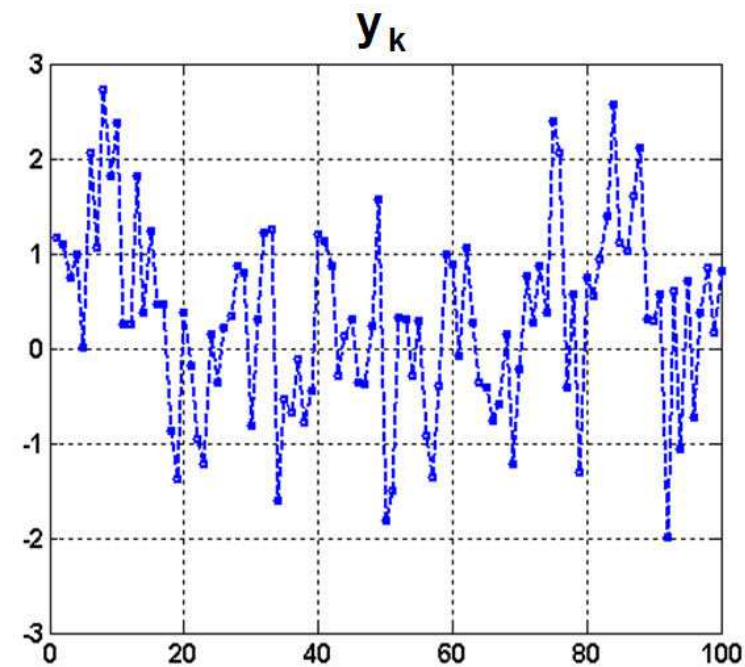
$$\begin{aligned} H(z) &= \frac{1}{z - a} \\ \Downarrow \\ y(k+1) &= ay(k) + e(k) \\ \Downarrow \\ \sigma_y^2 &= \frac{1}{1 - a^2} \sigma_e^2 \\ \Downarrow \\ r_y(\tau) &= \frac{1}{1 - a^2} a^{|\tau|} \end{aligned}$$

# Calculation of variances - Example 1

$$H(q) = \frac{q - 0.5}{q - 0.9} \quad \text{with } \sigma_e^2 = 1$$



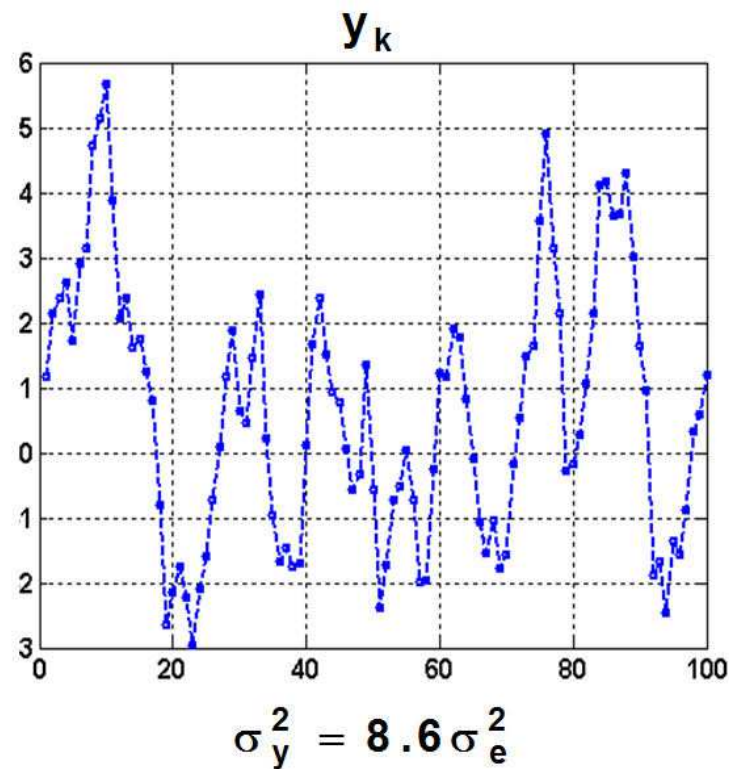
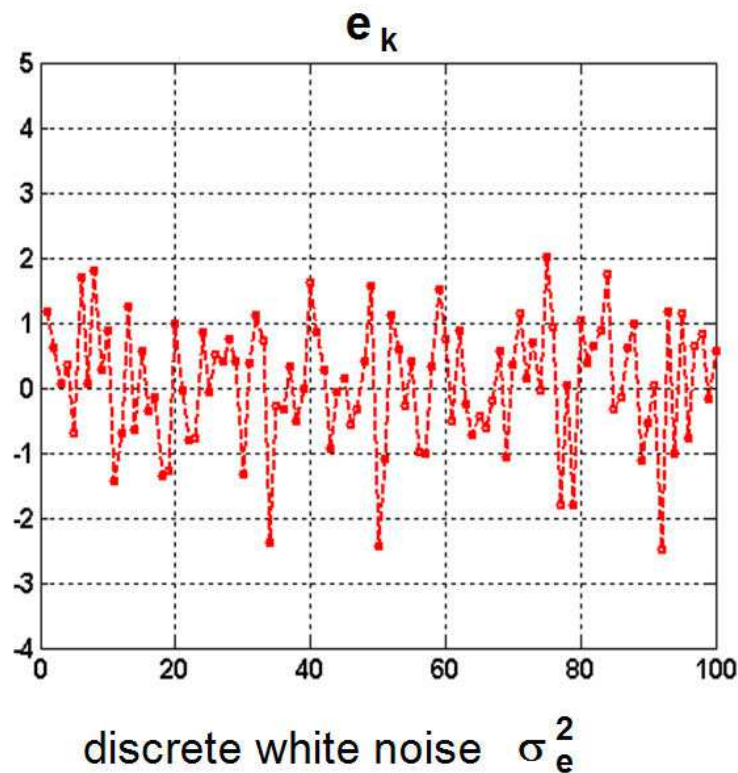
discrete white noise  $\sigma_e^2$



$$\sigma_y^2 = 1.85 \sigma_e^2$$

# Calculation of variances - Example 2

$$H(q) = \frac{1}{q^2 - 1.3q + 0.4} \quad \text{with } \sigma_e^2 = 1$$



# ARMA processes



Moving Average:

$$y(k) = e(k) + b_1e(k-1) + \cdots + b_n e(k-n)$$

Auto Regressive:

$$y(k) + a_1y(k-1) + \cdots + a_ny(k-n) = e(k)$$

ARMA:

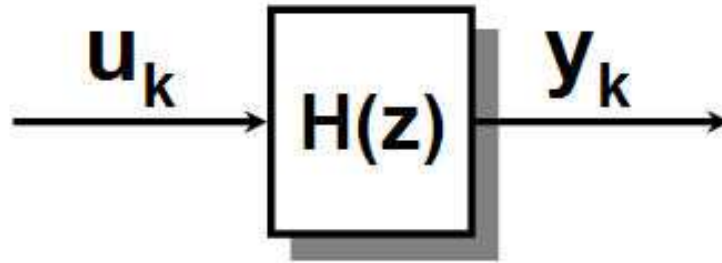
$$y(k) + a_1y(k-1) + \cdots + a_ny(k-n) = e(k) + b_1e(k-1) + \cdots + b_ne(k-n)$$

ARMAX:

$$\begin{aligned} y(k) + a_1y(k-1) + \cdots + a_ny(k-n) &= b_0u(k-d) + \cdots + b_mu(k-d-m) \\ &+ e(k) + c_1e(k-1) + \cdots + c_ne(k-n) \end{aligned}$$



# Spectral densities of filtered signals



$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{yu}(\omega) &= H(e^{j\omega})\phi_u(\omega) \\ \phi_y(\omega) &= H(e^{j\omega})\phi_u(\omega)H^T(e^{-j\omega})\end{aligned}$$

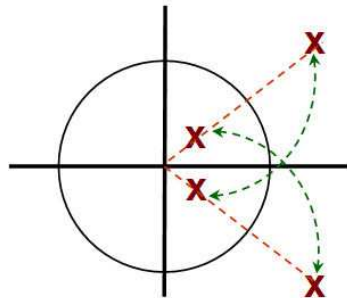


# Spectral factorization

Given a spectral density  $\phi(\omega)$ , what is the linear system that gives this as an output, when driven by white noise?

$$F(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} H(z) H^T(z^{-1})$$

The poles and zeros of  $F(z)$  come in pairs:



$$z_i z_j = 1$$

$$p_i p_j = 1$$

$$H(z) = K \frac{\prod_i (z - z_i)}{\prod_i (z - p_i)} = \frac{B(z)}{A(z)}, \quad |z_i| < 1, |p_i| < 1$$

All stationary random processes can be thought of as:  
generated by stable linear systems driven by white noise  
(special ARMA processes)