A Useful Theorem for Nonlinear Devices Having Gaussian Inputs*

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Summary—If and only if the inputs to a set of nonlinear, zeromemory devices are variates drawn from a Gaussian random process, a useful general relationship may be found between certain input and output statistics of the set. This relationship equates partial derivatives of the (high-order) output correlation coefficient taken with respect to the input correlation coefficients, to the output correlation coefficient of a new set of nonlinear devices bearing a simple derivative relation to the original set. Application is made to the interesting special cases of conventional crosscorrelation and autocorrelation functions, and Bussgang's theorem is easily proved. As examples, the output autocorrelation functions are simply obtained for a hard limiter, linear detector, clipper, and smooth limiter.

N THE COURSE of investigating the asymptotic frequency behavior of power spectra resulting from the passage of noise through zero-memory nonlinear devices, an interesting, unique property of Gaussian processes has been encountered, which does not appear to have been previously reported.

STATEMENT OF THE THEOREM

Assume x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n to be random variables from a Gaussian process whose nth order joint probability density is given by:

$$p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} | M_n |^{-1/2}$$

$$\cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{r=1}^n \sum_{s=1}^n \frac{M_{rs}}{|M_n|} (x_r - \overline{x_r})(x_s - \overline{x_s}) \right\}$$
 (1)

where $|M_n|$ is the determinant of $M_n = [\rho_{rs}]$ and $\rho_{rs} =$ $\overline{x_r x_s} - \overline{x_r} \ \overline{x_s} = \rho_{sr}$ is the correlation coefficient of x_r and x_s . The means of x_r and x_s are $\overline{x_r}$ and $\overline{x_s}$, respectively. M_{rs} is the cofactor of ρ_{sr} in M_{rs} .

Let there be n zero-memory nonlinear devices (linearity of course being included as a special case) specified by the input-output relationship $f_i(x)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Let each x_i be the single input to a corresponding $f_i(x)$, and designate the nth-order correlation coefficient of the outputs as:

$$R = \prod_{i=1}^{n} f_i(x_i) \tag{2}$$

where the bar denotes the average taken over all x_i . Then, with weak restrictions on the $f_i(x)$, we have the following theorem for the partial derivatives of R with respect to the input correlation coefficients:

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$$\frac{\partial^{k} R}{\prod_{m=1}^{N} \left(\partial \rho_{r_{m}s_{m}}\right)^{k_{m}}} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\sum_{m=1}^{N} k_{m}\delta_{r_{m}}\epsilon_{m}} \left[\prod_{i=1}^{n} f_{i}^{\left(\sum_{m=1}^{N} \epsilon_{im}k_{m}\right)}(x_{i})\right]$$
(3)

where r_m and s_m , $m = 1, 2, \dots, N$, are integers lying between 1 and n, inclusive, and are not necessarily distinct. The k_m are positive integers, with $k = \sum_{m=1}^{N} k_m$. ϵ_{im} is the number of times i appears in (r_m, s_m) . $\delta_{r_m s_m}$ is the Kronecker δ function, $\delta_{r_m s_m} = 1$ for $r_m = s_m$, 0 for $r_m \neq s_m$. The symbol $f_i^{(q)}(x_i)$ denotes the qth derivative of $f_i(x)$, taken at x_i .

Furthermore, not only is the above theorem true for inputs having an nth-order joint Gaussian distribution, but it holds true only for such inputs if the $f_i(x)$ are allowed to be of general form.

Proof

We now prove that in order for (3) to be satisfied it is both sufficient and necessary that the x_i have the joint probability density given by (1). Assume that each $f_i(x)$ can be represented by the sum of two Laplace transforms,

$$f_{i}(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{C_{i+}} h_{i+}(u)e^{iux} du + \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{C_{i-}} h_{i-}(u)e^{iux} du$$
 (4)

where

$$h_{i+}(u) = \int_0^\infty f_i(x)e^{-jux} dx$$

$$h_{i-}(u) = \int_0^0 f_i(x)e^{-jux} dx$$
(5)

and the C_{i+} and C_{i+} are appropriate contours. Without assuming any particular form for $p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ for the present,

(2)
$$R = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$$

$$\lim_{i \to 1} f_i(x_i) p(x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_n) \ dx_1 \ dx_2 \cdots dx_n.$$
 (6)

Substituting (4) in (6) and inverting the order of integration, following Rice's characteristic function method,3

² D. V. Widder, "The Laplace Transform," Princeton University Press, Princeton, N. J., ch. 6; 1946.

³ S. O. Rice, "Mathematical analysis of random noise," Bell Sys. Tech. J., vol. 23, pp. 282–332, July, 1944; and vol. 24, pp. 46–156; January, 1945. See sec. 4.8.

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$$R = \frac{1}{(2\pi j)^n} \sum' \int_{C_1 \pm} \int_{C_2 \pm} \cdots \int_{C_n \pm} \cdots \int_{C_n \pm} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n h_{i \pm}(u_i) \theta(u_1, u_2, \cdots, u_n) du_1 du_2 \cdots du_n$$
 (7)

where \sum' denotes a summation over all possible \pm combinations and $\theta(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ is the *n*th-order characteristic function:

$$\theta(u_{1}, u_{2}, \cdots, u_{n}) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p(x_{1}, x_{2}, \cdots, x_{n})$$

$$\cdot \exp\left(j \sum_{i=1}^{n} u_{i} x_{i}\right) dx_{1} dx_{2} \cdots dx_{n} \qquad (8)$$

with $j = \sqrt{-1}$.

We find a necessary condition for (3) to be satisfied by setting $N = 1 = k = k_1$. The partial derivative of the left-hand side of (3) is taken on θ in the integrand of (7), and the derivatives of the right-hand side are taken using (4). Thus the necessary condition:

$$\sum' \int_{C_1 \pm} \int_{C_2 \pm} \cdots \int_{C_n \pm} \prod_{i=1}^n h_{i \pm}(u_i) \left\{ \frac{\partial \theta(u_1, u_2, \cdots, u_n)}{\partial \rho_{r_1 s_1}} + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{\delta_{r_1 s_1}} u_{r_1} u_{s_1} \theta(u_1, u_2, \cdots, u_n) \right\} du_1 du_2 \cdots du_n = 0 (9)$$

is obtained. The term in braces must be zero in order to satisfy (9) for arbitrary $f_i(x)$ and hence $h_{i*}(u)$. Integrating the resulting equation for all (r_1, s_1) (but taking into account that $\rho_{rs} = \rho_{sr}$),

 $\log \theta(u_1, u_2, \cdots, u_n)$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{r=1}^{n} \sum_{s=1}^{n} \rho_{rs} u_{r} u_{s} + g(u_{1}, u_{2}, \cdots, u_{n})$$
 (10)

where g is some function which must now be found.

Let $\rho_{r_s} = 1$ for all (r, s). Then all the x_i are completely correlated, and $p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ can be written:

$$p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = p(x_1) \prod_{i=2}^n \delta(x_i - x_1 + \overline{x_1} - \overline{x_i})$$
 (11)

where $\delta(x)$ is the Dirac δ function. Substituting (11) in (8), θ is of the form:

$$\theta(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = \exp\left(j \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \overline{x_i}\right) g_1\left(\sum_{i=1}^n u_i\right),$$
for all $\rho_{rs} = 1$ (12)

where

$$g_1(u) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p_1(x_1 - \overline{x_1}) e^{iu(x_1 - \overline{x_1})} d(x_1 - \overline{x_1}).$$
 (13)

Similarly, when $\rho_{11} = 1$ r, $\rho_{1r} = \rho_{r1} = -1$ for all $r \neq 1$, and $\rho_{rs} = 1$ for all r or $s \neq 1$, then x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n are completely correlated with $(-x_1)$ and we obtain:

$$\theta(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = \exp\left(j \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \overline{x_i}\right) g_1\left(u_1 - \sum_{i=2}^n u_i\right),$$

for $\rho_{11} = 1$, $\rho_{1r} = \rho_{r1} = -1$ for all $r \neq 1$,

and $\rho_{rs} = 1$ for all r, $s \neq 1$. (14)

⁴ Cramér, op. cit., sec. 24.1.

Substituting (12) in (10), we find:

$$g(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = j \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \overline{x_i} + g_2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n u_i \right)$$
 (15)

where $g_2(u) = \log g_1(u) + u^2/2$. On the other hand, substituting (14) in (10) yields

$$g(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = j \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \overline{x_i} + g_2 \left(2u_1 - \sum_{i=1}^n u_i\right).$$
 (16)

Since u_1 and $\sum_{i=1}^{n} u_i$ may be considered as independent variables, the only solution which renders (15) and (16) compatible is $g_2(u) = K$, a constant. Thus, finally, we have from (10) and (15) the necessary condition:

 $\theta(u_1, u_2, \cdots, u_n)$

$$= \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\sum_{r=1}^{n}\sum_{s=1}^{n}\rho_{rs}u_{r}u_{s} + j\sum_{i=1}^{n}u_{i}\overline{x_{i}} + K\right]. \quad (17)$$

This is recognized to be the characteristic function of the n-dimensional Gaussian distribution⁴ of (1) (K = 0 for proper normalization).

It is now a simple matter to prove the sufficiency of (17), and hence (1), for satisfying (3). Using (17) in (7), and remembering that $\rho_{rs} = \rho_{sr}$,

$$\frac{(-1)^k \partial k_R}{\prod\limits_{m=1}^N \left(\partial \rho_{r_m s_m}\right)^{k_m}} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\sum\limits_{m=1}^N k_m \delta_{r_m s_m}} \sum' \int_{C_1 + k} \int_{C_2 + k} \cdots \int_{C_n + k}$$

$$\cdot \prod_{i=1}^{n} u_{1}^{\sum_{m=1}^{N} \epsilon_{i m} k_{m}} h_{i *}(u_{i}) \theta(u_{1}, u_{2}, u_{n}) du_{1} du_{2} \cdots du_{n}.$$
 (18)

By analogy to (6) and (7), and differentiating (4) with respect to x, the right side of (18) is seen to be equal to

$$(-1)^{k} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\sum\limits_{m=1}^{N} k_{m} \delta_{r_{m}, m}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty}$$

$$\cdot \prod_{i=1}^{n} f_{i}^{\left(\sum\limits_{m=1}^{N} \epsilon_{i m} k_{m}\right)}(x_{i}) p(x_{1}, x_{2}, \cdots, x_{n}) dx_{1} dx_{2} \cdots dx_{n}$$
 (19)

thus yielding (3).

A SPECIAL CASE AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Consider the familiar situation where n=2, and let ρ denote the crosscorrelation coefficient of x_1 and x_2 . Then (3) yields

$$\frac{\partial^k R}{\partial \rho^k} = \overline{f_1^{(k)}(x_1)} \overline{f_2^{(k)}(x_2)}. \tag{20}$$

Suppose that x_1 and x_2 are values of a stationary Gaussian time series x(t) whose autocorrelation function is $\rho(\tau)$. x_1 is taken at time t and x_2 at time $(t + \tau)$. $R(\tau)$ will denote the crosscorrelation function between the outputs

of two zero-memory nonlinear devices whose inputs are We find easily x(t) and $x(t + \tau)$, respectively.

Taking the particular case where $\overline{x(t)} = 0$, $\overline{x^2(t)} = 1$, and using (1).

$$R(\tau) = \rho(\tau) \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{x f_2(x) e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx \qquad (25)$$

$$\frac{\partial^{k}R(\tau)}{\partial\rho(\tau)^{k}} = \overline{f_{1}^{(k)}[x(t)]f_{2}^{(k)}[x(t+\tau)]} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{f_{1}^{(k)}(x_{1})f_{2}^{(k)}(x_{2}) \exp\left\{-\left[x_{1}^{2} + x_{2}^{2} - 2\rho(\tau)x_{1}x_{2}\right]/2\left[1 - \rho^{2}(\tau)\right]\right\}}{2\pi\sqrt{1 - \rho^{2}(\tau)}} dx_{1} dx_{2}.$$
 (21)

Eq. (21) is particularly simple when the $f_i(x)$ are piecewise-polynomial functions and k is sufficiently high. Then the $f_i^{(k)}(x)$ consist entirely of δ functions of various orders and the integral can be easily evaluated.

It is often of interest to obtain the derivatives of a crosscorrelation function with respect to τ . It is convenient to break down such τ derivatives into a series of products of derivatives of $R(\tau)$ with respect to $\rho(\tau)$, and $\rho(\tau)$ with respect to τ , using

$$\frac{dR(\tau)}{d\tau} = \frac{\partial R(\tau)}{\partial \rho(\tau)} \cdot \frac{d\rho(\tau)}{d\tau}.$$
 (22)

This enables the nonlinear devices to be treated independently of the shape of the input correlation function $\rho(\tau)$, using (21). Similarly, the derivatives of $\rho(\tau)$ with respect to τ do not involve the $f_i(x)$.

As an example, Cohen⁶ shows that in general, for autocorrelation functions $R(\tau)$, the limiting behavior of the corresponding power spectrum $\Phi(\omega)$ is given by:

$$\lim_{\omega \to \infty} \omega^2 \Phi(\omega) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{dR(\tau)}{d\tau} \bigg|_{\tau=0+}$$

$$\lim_{\omega \to \infty} \omega^2 \bigg[\omega^2 \Phi(\omega) + \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{dR(\tau)}{d\tau} \bigg|_{\tau=0+} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{d^3 R(\tau)}{d\tau^3} \bigg|_{\tau=0+}$$
(23)

and so on, where the derivatives are with respect to τ .

Another application of (20) is in deriving Bussgang's interesting result that the crosscorrelation function between the input and the output of a nonlinear device driven by Gaussian noise has the same shape as the input autocorrelation function. In this case $f_1(x) = x$ and $f_2(x)$ is arbitrary. Then $f'_1(x)$ is unity, and all higher derivatives of $f_1(x)$ are zero. Putting this into (21) and evaluating the integral,

$$\frac{\partial^k R(\tau)}{\partial \rho(\tau)^k} = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{f_2'(x) \exp(-x^2/2)}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx & k = 1\\ 0 & k > 1. \end{cases}$$
 (24)

⁵ I. N. Amiantov and V. I. Tikhonov, "The effect of normal fluctuations on typical nonlinear elements," Bull. Acad. Sci. USSR, pp. 33–42; April, 1956, Here, an autocorrelation case $[f_1(x) = f_2(x)]$ is studied by expanding the second-order joint Gaussian probability density of x(t) and $x(t+\tau)$ in powers of $\rho(\tau)$, using Mehler's formula; see Bateman Manuscript Project, "Higher Transcendental Functions," McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., New York, N. Y., vol. 2, p. 194, (22); 1953. They then integrate by parts to obtain the output correlation function in a similar series but do not recognize the simple form (21) function in a similar series but do not recognize the simple form (21) for this series. Using this method it is not required that $f_1(x)$ be Laplace transformable, rather than our proof.

*R. Cohen, "Some Analytical and Practical Aspects of Wiener's Theory of Prediction," Res. Lab. of Electronics, M.I.T., Cambridge, Mass., Tech. Rep. No. 69, ch. 4, sec. 2; June 2, 1948.

*J. J. Bussgang, "Crosscorrelation Functions of Amplitude-Distorted Gaussian Signals," Res. Lab. of Electronics, M.I.T., Cambridge, Mass., Tech. Rep. 216, sec. 3; March 26, 1952.

thus vielding Bussgang's result. Unlike Bussgang's theorem, (20) cannot be generalized to hold for probability distributions other than Gaussian.8-10

SOME SIMPLE AUTOCORRELATION EXAMPLES [FOR $\overline{x(t)} = 0, \, \overline{x^2(t)} = 11$

Hard Limiter

Van Vleck's well-known result on the autocorrelation function of the output of a hard limiter 11 can be derived very simply, using (21). If

$$f_1(x) = f_x(x) = \begin{cases} 1; & x \ge 0 \\ -1; & x < 0 \end{cases}$$
 (26)

then $f_1^{(1)}(x)$ and $f_2^{(1)}(x)$ are first-order δ functions of area 2, at x = 0.

Substituting in (21) and integrating,

$$\frac{\partial R(\tau)}{\partial \rho(\tau)} = \frac{2}{\pi \sqrt{1 - \rho^2(\tau)}}.$$
 (27)

When $\rho(\tau) = 0$, $R(\tau) = 0$. Thus

$$R(\tau) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\rho(\tau)} \frac{d\rho(\tau)}{\sqrt{1 - \rho^2(\tau)}} = \frac{2}{\pi} \sin^{-1} \left[\rho(\tau) \right]$$
 (28)

which is Van Vleck's result.

Linear Detector

Similarly, the autocorrelation function of the output of a linear detector can be easily found. If

$$f_1(x) = f_2(x) = \begin{cases} x; & x \ge 0 \\ 0; & x < 0 \end{cases}$$
 (29)

then $f_1^{(2)}(x)$ and $f_2^{(2)}(x)$ are first-order δ functions of area unity at x = 0. Substituting in (21) and integrating:

$$\frac{\partial^2 R(\tau)}{\partial \rho(\tau)^2} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2(\tau)}}.$$
 (30)

Doubly-integrating (30) with the boundary conditions:

⁸ J. F. Barrett and D. G. Lampard, "An expansion for some

* J. F. Barrett and D. G. Lampard, "An expansion for some second-order probability distributions and its application to noise problems," IRE Trans. ON Information Theory, vol. IT-1, pp. 10–15; March, 1955.

**J. L. Brown, Jr., "On a cross-correlation property for stationary random processes," IRE Trans. ON Information Theory, vol. IT-3, pp. 28–31; March, 1957.

10 A. H. Nuttall, "Invariance of Correlation Functions under Nonlinear Transformations," Res. Lab. of Electronics, M.I.T., Cambridge, Mass., Quart. Progress Rep., p. 63; October 15, 1957.

11 J. L. Lawson and G. E. Uhlenbeck, "Threshold Signals," McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., New York, N. Y., p. 58; 1950.

$$\frac{\partial R(\tau)}{\partial \rho(\tau)} = \left[\int_0^\infty f_1^{(1)}(x) \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx \right]^2 = \frac{1}{4}
R(\tau) = \left[\int_0^\infty \frac{x e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx \right]^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi}$$
for $\rho(\tau) = 0$ (31)

we obtain:

$$R(\tau) = \int_0^{\rho(\tau)} \left[\frac{1}{4} + \int_0^y \frac{dt}{2\pi \sqrt{1 - t^2}} \right] dy + \frac{1}{2\pi}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left\{ \rho(\tau) \cos^{-1} \left[\rho(\tau) \right] + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2(\tau)} \right\}$$
(32)

which is in agreement with Rice's result.12

Clipper

The relations derived independently by Robin¹³ and Laning and Battin¹⁴ for the autocorrelation function of the output of a clipper may also be found by this method. With a clipper characteristic:

$$f_1(x) = f_2(x) = \begin{cases} l; & l \le x \\ x; & -l \le x \le l \\ -l; & x \le l \end{cases}$$
 (33)

and $f_1^{(2)}(x)$ and $f_2^{(2)}(x)$ each are a pair of first-order δ functions at x = -l and x = l, with areas 1 and -1, respectively. Substituting in (21) and integrating,

$$\frac{\partial^2 R(\tau)}{\partial \rho(\tau)^2} = \frac{\exp\left[-\frac{l^2}{1+\rho(\tau)}\right] - \exp\left[-\frac{l^2}{1-\rho(\tau)}\right]}{\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2(\tau)}}$$
(34)

which is Robin's result, for input noise of unit variance.

Smooth Limiter

Finally, Baum's recent interesting result¹⁵ for the

Rice, op. cit., eq. (4.7-5).
 L. Robin, "The autocorrelation function and power spectrum

13 L. Robin, "The autocorrelation function and power spectrum of clipped thermal noise. Filtering of simple periodic signals in this noise," Ann. Telecomm., vol. 7, pp. 375–387; September, 1952.

14 J. H. Laning, Jr. and R. H. Battin, "Random Processes in Automatic Control," McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., New York, N. Y., p. 362, eq. (B-8); 1956.

15 R. F. Baum, "The correlation function of smoothly limited Gaussian noise," IRE Trans. on Information Theory, vol. IT-3, pp. 193–197; September, 1957.

autocorrelation function of the output of a device having an error-function characteristic will be derived. With

$$f_1(x) = f_2(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_0^x e^{-t^2/2t^2} dt$$
 (35)

we have

$$f_1^{(1)}(x) = f_2^{(1)}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2l^2}.$$
 (36)

Substituting in (21):

$$\frac{\partial R(\tau)}{\partial \rho(\tau)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\rho_1^2 - \rho_2^2}{1 - \rho^2(\tau)}}$$

$$\cdot \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\exp\left[-\frac{\rho_1 x_1^2 + \rho_1 x_2^2 - 2\rho_2 x_1 x_2}{2(\rho_1^2 - \rho_2^2)}\right]}{2\pi \sqrt{\rho_1^2 - \rho_2^2}} dx_1 dx_2 \right\} (37)$$

where

$$\rho_{1} = \frac{\{l^{-2}[1 - \rho^{2}(\tau)] + 1\}[1 - \rho^{2}(\tau)]}{\{l^{-2}[1 - \rho^{2}(\tau)] + 1\}^{2} - \rho^{2}(\tau)}$$

$$\rho_{2} = \frac{\rho(\tau)[1 - \rho^{2}(\tau)]}{\{l^{-2}[1 - \rho^{2}(\tau)] + 1\}^{2} - \rho^{2}(\tau)}$$
(38)

The term in braces in (37) must equal unity, since it is the integral of a second-order Gaussian probability density. Thus, from (38),

(34)
$$\frac{\partial R(\tau)}{\partial \rho(\tau)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\rho_1^2 - \rho_2^2}{1 - \rho^2(\tau)}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{(1 + l^{-2})^2 - l^{-4} \rho^2(\tau)}}.$$
 (39)

Integrating and using the condition that when $\rho(\tau) = 0$, $R(\tau) = 0,$

$$R(\tau) = \frac{l^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{\rho(\tau)} \frac{d\rho(\tau)}{\sqrt{(l^2 + 1)^2 - \rho^2(\tau)}}$$
$$= \frac{l^2}{2\pi} \sin^{-1} \left[\frac{\rho(\tau)}{1 + l^2} \right]$$
(40)

which is in agreement with Baum's result.

