

FUNDAMENTAL OF RANDOM SIGNALS

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1. Random Variables

1.1 Probability distribution and density functions

Let X be a random variable (r.v.), the **probability distribution function** is:

$$P_X(x) = P\{X \leq x\}, \quad (1)$$

which is the probability of the random variable X less than or equal to x .

If $P_X(x)$ is continuous, then the **probability density function** (pdf) is:

$$p_X(x) = \frac{dP_X(x)}{dx}. \quad (2)$$

$P_X(x)$ and $p_X(x)$ satisfy the properties:

$$p_X(x) \geq 0, \forall x; \quad \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p_X(x) dx = 1. \quad (3a)$$

$$p_X(x) \geq 0, \forall x; \quad \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p_X(x) dx = 1. \quad (3b)$$

$$P_X(-\infty) = 0; P_X(\infty) = 1.. \quad (3c)$$

1.2 Expectation of Random Variables

If $g(x)$ is a function of the r.v., the expectation of the new r.v. $g(X)$ is:

$$E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(x) p_X(x) dx. \quad (4)$$

Mean value:

$$\mu_X = E[X] = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x p_X(x) dx. \quad (5)$$

Mean square value:

$$\chi_X^2 = E[X^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^2 p_X(x) dx. \quad (6)$$

Variance:

$$\sigma_X^2 = E[(X - \mu_X)^2] \\ = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (x - \mu_X)^2 p_X(x) dx \quad (7)$$

n-th moment:

$$E[X^n]. \quad (8)$$

n-th central moment:

$$E[(X - \mu_N)^n]. \quad (9)$$

The variance measures the spread of the distribution about its mean value.

σ_X is called the standard deviation or **rms value**:

1.3 Bivariate Distribution

Let X and Y be two r.v.'s whose mean values and variances are denoted by μ_X , σ_X^2 , μ_Y , σ_Y^2 , respectively.

The joint probability distribution and joint pdf are defined by:

$$P_{XY}(x, y) = P\{X \leq x, Y \leq y\}. \quad (10)$$

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} P_{XY}\{x, y\} \quad (11)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p_{XY}(x, y) dx dy = 1$$

The probability that the r.v.'s X and Y are jointly in ranges (a, b) and (c, d) is:

$$P\{a < X \leq b, c < Y \leq d\} = \int_a^b \int_c^d p_{XY}(x, y) dx dy. \quad (12)$$

The marginal pdf's are given by:

$$p_X = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p_{XY}(x, y) dy \quad p_Y = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} p_{XY}(x, y) dx. \quad (13)$$

Statistic Independent and uncorrelated

- The r.v.'s X and Y are said to be statistically independent if

$$p_{XY}(x, y) = p_X(x)p_Y(y). \quad (14)$$

- The expectation of a function of X and Y is:

$$E[g(X, Y)] = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(x, y) p_{XY}(x, y) dx dy. \quad (15)$$

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The joint moment is given by $E[X^m Y^n]$. It is easy to see that $E[X^m Y^n] = E[X^m]E[Y^n]$ if X and Y are statistically independent.

- X and Y are said to be uncorrelated if $E[XY] = E[X]E[Y]$ and orthogonal if $E[XY] = 0$.

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Useful properties

- Mean of the sum of two r.v.'s is the sum of their means:

$$\mu_{X+Y} = E[X + Y] = E[X] + E[Y] = \mu_X + \mu_Y. \quad (16)$$

- The power of their sum is:

$$\chi_{X+Y}^2 = E[(X + Y)^2] = E[X^2] + E[Y^2] + 2E[XY]. \quad (17)$$

For **uncorrelated r.v.'s**, we have:

$$\sigma_{X+Y}^2 = \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2. \quad (18)$$

- The joint moment:

$$\sigma_{X+Y} = E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)]. \quad (19)$$

is called the covariance of the r.v.'s X and Y . The normalized covariance of X and Y .

$$\rho_{XY} = \frac{\sigma_{XY}}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}. \quad (20)$$

is called the **correlation coefficient**.

1.4 Conditional Distributions

The conditional probability density function of r.v.s X and Y , knowing a single point event $\{Y = y\}$ is

$$p_X(x | Y = y) = \frac{p_{XY}(x, y)}{p_Y(y)}, \quad (21)$$

provided that $p_Y(y) \neq 0$. If the r.v.'s are independent then

$$p_X(x | Y = y) = p_X(x).$$

The **conditional expectation** is the expectation of $g(X)$ knowing that event $Y = y$ has occurred:

$$E[g(X) | Y = y] = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(x) p_X(x | Y = y) dx. \quad (22)$$

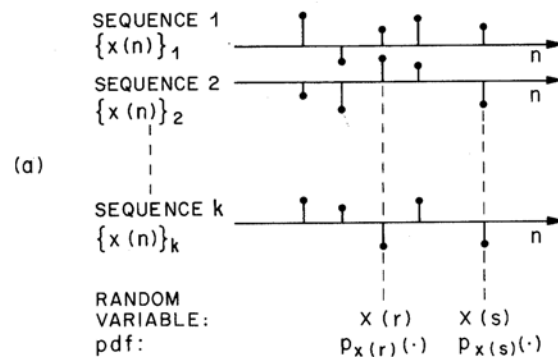
The conditional pdf of a r.v. X given that event $\{x \in I\}$ has occurred is:

$$p_X(x | X \in I) = \begin{cases} \frac{p_X(x)}{P\{X \in I\}} & X \in I \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}. \quad (23)$$

2. Random Processes

- Communications waveforms are not deterministic - the signal generating rule is either not known or is so complex as to make precise signal description impossible. They are usually modeled as random or stochastic signals.

Figure 2.11 Random processes in (a) one and (b) two dimensions [Rosenfield and Kak, 1976. Reprinted with permission].



Each sequence from a random process is considered to be a member of an **ensemble of signals**. Each realization of the random process is chosen randomly from the ensemble by nature.

Stationary Processes

- At each time instant n , $x(n)$ of the sequence $\{x(n)\}$ is a particular value of a random variable $X(n)$ which can be described by a set of probability distributions function

$$P_{x(n)}(x) = P\{X(n) \leq x\}. \quad (24)$$

and probability density function (pdf):

$$p_{x(n)}(x) = \frac{dP_{x(n)}(x)}{dx}. \quad (25)$$

- In case of non-stationary processes, all expectations will be functions of time index n . In **wide-sense stationary process**, the first two moments of the **distribution are independent of time:**

$$\mu_{x(n)} = \mu_{x(n+k)} = \mu_x; \quad \sigma_{x(n)}^2 = \sigma_{x(n+k)}^2 = \sigma_x^2 \quad (26)$$

Hence the first and second-order statistics are independent of time shift. In strict-sense stationary process, none of the statistics is affected by a time shift.

Correlation functions

- Correlation functions are used to describe the behavior of r.v.'s $X(n)$ and $X(m)$ of a random process.

Autocovariance function:

$$C_{xx}(m, n) = E[X(m) - \mu_{x(m)}](X(n) - \mu_{x(n)})] \quad (27)$$

Autocorrelation function (acf):

$$R_{xx}(m, n) = E[X(m)X(n)] = C_{xx}(m, n) + \mu_{x(m)}\mu_{x(n)} \quad (28)$$

For **zero mean process**, the two functions are identical. Both the acf and autocovariance functions depend on the time variables m and n (or m and time lag $k = n-m$).

For **wide-sense stationary signals**, the **joint pdf** $p_{x(m)x(n)}(x, y)$ **depends only on time shift implying that the acf depends only on** $k = n - m$. **We may then write:**

$$C_{xx}(k) = E[(X(n) - \mu_x)(X(n+k) - \mu_x)]. \quad (29)$$

$$R_{xx}(k) = E[(X(n)X(n+k))]. \quad (30)$$

Some properties of the acf are;

$$R_{xx}(k) = R_{xx}(-k); \quad |R_{xx}(k)| \leq R_{xx}(0). \quad (31)$$

$$R_{xx}(0) = \chi_x^2 = \sigma_x^2 + \mu_x^2. \quad (32)$$

Variance normalized acf:

$$\rho_k = \rho_{xx}(k) = \frac{R_{xx}(k)}{R_{xx}(0)}; \rho_{xx}(0) = 1. \quad (33)$$

2.2 Power spectral density of random processes

Suppose that $\{X(n)\}$ is a discrete-time wide-sense stationary process with acf $R_{xx}(k)$. The **power spectral density function** (psd) is defined to be the **Fourier transform of the acf of the process (Wiener-Khinchine theorem)**:

$$R_{xx}(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{+\pi} S_{xx}(e^{j\omega}) e^{jk\omega} d\omega. \quad (34)$$

$$S_{xx}(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} R_{xx}(k) e^{-jk\omega}. \quad (35)$$

The **function $S_{xx}(e^{j\omega})$ exists if $R_{xx}(k)$ is absolutely summable.** Since the acf is real and even, the **PSD is real, even and positive.** Specifically, the power of the process in the frequency range $(\omega_k - \Delta\omega/2, \omega_k + \Delta\omega/2)$ is approximately $S_{xx}(e^{j\omega}) \Delta\omega / \pi$.

The cross-spectral density of two jointly stationary processes $\{X(n)\}$ and $\{Y(n)\}$ is

$$S_{xy}(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} R_{xy}(k)e^{-jk\omega} . \quad (36)$$

Note that the csd function is not necessarily even or real, or positive.

2.3 Power spectral density of random processes

Consider a wide-sense stationary random process $\{X(n)\}$ applied to the input of a linear, time-invariant and stable system with impulse response $h(n)$ and transfer function $H(e^{j\omega})$. The mean and acf of the output process $\{Y(n)\}$ are then given by:

$$\mu_y = \mu_x H(0). \quad (37)$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{yy}(k) &= R_{xx}(k) * h(k) * h(-k) \\ &= \sum_{i=-\infty}^{+\infty} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{+\infty} h(i)h(j)R_{xx}(|k-i+j|). \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

Since the mean of $\{Y(n)\}$ is constant and its acf depends solely on time displacement k , $\{Y(n)\}$ is also wide-sense stationary.

The PSD of $\{Y(n)\}$ is therefore: $S_{yy}(e^{j\omega}) = S_{xx}(e^{j\omega}) |H(e^{j\omega})|^2.$ (39)

2.4 Optimum linear predictions

Linear prediction is useful to removing the linear redundancy found in random processes. Consider an N order one-step ahead linear predictor:

$$\hat{x}(n) = \sum_{j=1}^N h_j x(n-j). \quad (40)$$

The filter coefficients can be obtained by minimizing the following mean square cost function:

$$\sigma_d^2 = E[d^2(n)] = E[(x(n) - \hat{x}(n))^2]. \quad (41)$$

Differentiating wrt h_i and setting the derivatives to zero, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \sigma_d^2}{\partial h_i} = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N &\Leftrightarrow E[2\{x(n) - \hat{x}_{opt}(n)\} \frac{\partial}{\partial h_i} \{-\hat{x}_{opt}(n)\}] \\ &= E[2\{x(n) - \hat{x}_{opt}(n)\} x(n-i)] = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

Thus the minimum error $x(n) - \hat{x}_{opt}(n)$ must be orthogonal to all the data used in the prediction, which is the **orthogonal principle**. Expanding equation (42) gives:

$$R_{xx}(k) = \sum_{j=1}^N h_{j,opt} R_{xx}(j-k); \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, N. \quad (43)$$

or in matrix form

$$\mathbf{r}_{xx} = \mathbf{R}_{xx} \mathbf{h}_{opt} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{h}_{opt} = \mathbf{R}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{xx} \quad (\text{if } \mathbf{R}_{xx} \text{ is nonsingular}). \quad (44)$$

where $\mathbf{r}_{xx}^T = \{R_{xx}(i)\}$; $\mathbf{R}_{xx} = \{R_{xx}(|i-j|)\}$; $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$.

The equations are called **normal equations**, **Yule-Walker prediction equations** or **Wiener-Hopf equations**. The minimum mse is given by:

$$\min\{\sigma_d^2\} = \sigma_x^2 - \mathbf{h}_{opt}^T \mathbf{r}_{xx}. \quad (45)$$

Since R_{xx} is symmetric Toeplitz, it can be solved using the Levinson-Durbin recursion.

If the waveform sources are modeled as the output a linear filter with a white noise or innovations process $\{Z(n)\}$ as its input, the asymptotic value of minimum mse as $N \rightarrow \infty$ is merely given by the variance σ_z^2 . The optimal prediction error filter is in a fact a whitening filter for the waveform at the input to a coder, and its transfer function is the inverse of the input psd (c.f. section 2.4).

2.4 AR, MA, ARMA processes

- Interesting classes of discrete-time linear processes can be generated by passing constant-psd or white-noise sequences through a linear time-invariant filter with impulse response $h(n)$.
- A wide sense stationary zero mean white noise process $\{Z(n)\}$ is

defined by:
$$S_{zz}(e^{j\omega}) = \sigma_z^2. \quad (46a)$$

$$R_{zz}(k) = E[Z(n)Z(n+k)] = \sigma_z^2 \delta(k). \quad (46b)$$

In general, the transfer function of an LTI system can be written as:

$$H(z) = \frac{A(z)}{B(z)} = \frac{\sum_{j=0}^M a_j z^{-j}}{1 - \sum_{j=1}^N b_j z^{-j}}. \quad (47)$$

The output is given by:

$$X(n) = \sum_{j=0}^M a_j Z(n-j) + \sum_{j=1}^N b_j X(n-j). \quad (48)$$

If the filter is stable, $X(n)$ is a wide-sense stationary process with acf:

$$R_{XX}(n) = R_{ZZ}(n) * h(n) * h(-n) \quad (49)$$

and z-transform:

$$S_{xx}(e^{j\omega}) = \sigma_z^2 H(z) H(z^{-1}). \quad (50)$$

If the filter is an **all-pole filter**, the process $X(n)$ is called an **autoregressive (AR) process**. If the filter is an **all-zero filter**, the process $X(n)$ is **moving average (MA) process**. The process described by equation (48) is called an **ARMA process**.