

Homework 5 - Stationary Gaussian white process and linear transform

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Abstract

Homework 5 is designed for discussing the property of the Gaussian white process by using the autocorrelation function or the other method. After discussion about the autocorrelation and the other method of the Gaussian white process, we also discuss the linear transform properties of the white noise. With the linear transform, we can apply the filter theorem dealing with the white noise. After removing some signal from the white noise by the filter, we will discuss the output signal by the stationary test.

1 List of symbols

- G_{xx} : autospectral density function(one-sided)
- S_{xx} : autospectral density function(two-sided)
- S_{xy} : crossspectral density function(two-sided)
- R_{xx} : autocorrelation function
- $\delta(t)$: Dirac delta function

- μ : mean
- σ : standard deviation
- σ^2 : variance

2 Problem

2.1 Problem 1

2.1.1 Description

Use Matlab to generate and display a Gaussian white process and verify the white property by using autocorrelation function in Matlab.

2.1.2 Answer

We define the Gaussian white process at first. The Gaussian process is defined as below:

- Continous time : $X(t)$ is a Gaussian stochastic process if and only if $X = [x(t_1) \cdots x(t_k)]^T$ is a Gaussian random vector for an arbitrary integer $k > 0$ and any time instants.
- Discrete sequence : X_n is a Gaussain sequence if and only if $X = [x_{n_1} \cdots x_{n_k}]^T$ is a Gaussian random vector for an arbitrary integer $k > 0$ and any time instants.

[1]

The technical term 'white' means the 'white noise(process).' There are some propertise of the white noise as below.[2]

- $$G_{xx}(f) = a \quad \text{only for } f \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

- $$S_{xx}(f) = (a/2) \text{ for all } f \quad (2)$$

- $$R_{xx}(\tau) = (a/2) \delta(\tau) \quad (3)$$

- $$\int_0^\infty G_{xx}(f) df = \infty = R_{xx}(0) \quad (4)$$

Which R_{xx} means the autocorrelation of the random number x . $S_{xx}(f)$ is the two-sided autospectral density functions which is defined for $f \in (-\infty, \infty)$ by the Fourier transform of the random variable x . The approach is called as the Wiener—Khinchine theorem[3]. G_{xx} is the one-side autospectral density function where $0 \leq f < \infty$. From equation 1 ~ 2 show that white noise has an infinite mean square vlaue. So theoretical white noise cannot be Gaussian process because that Gaussian process has finite mean square value. However,the Gaussian white process means that the PDF(probability density function) of the zero mean white noise is Gaussian destribution.

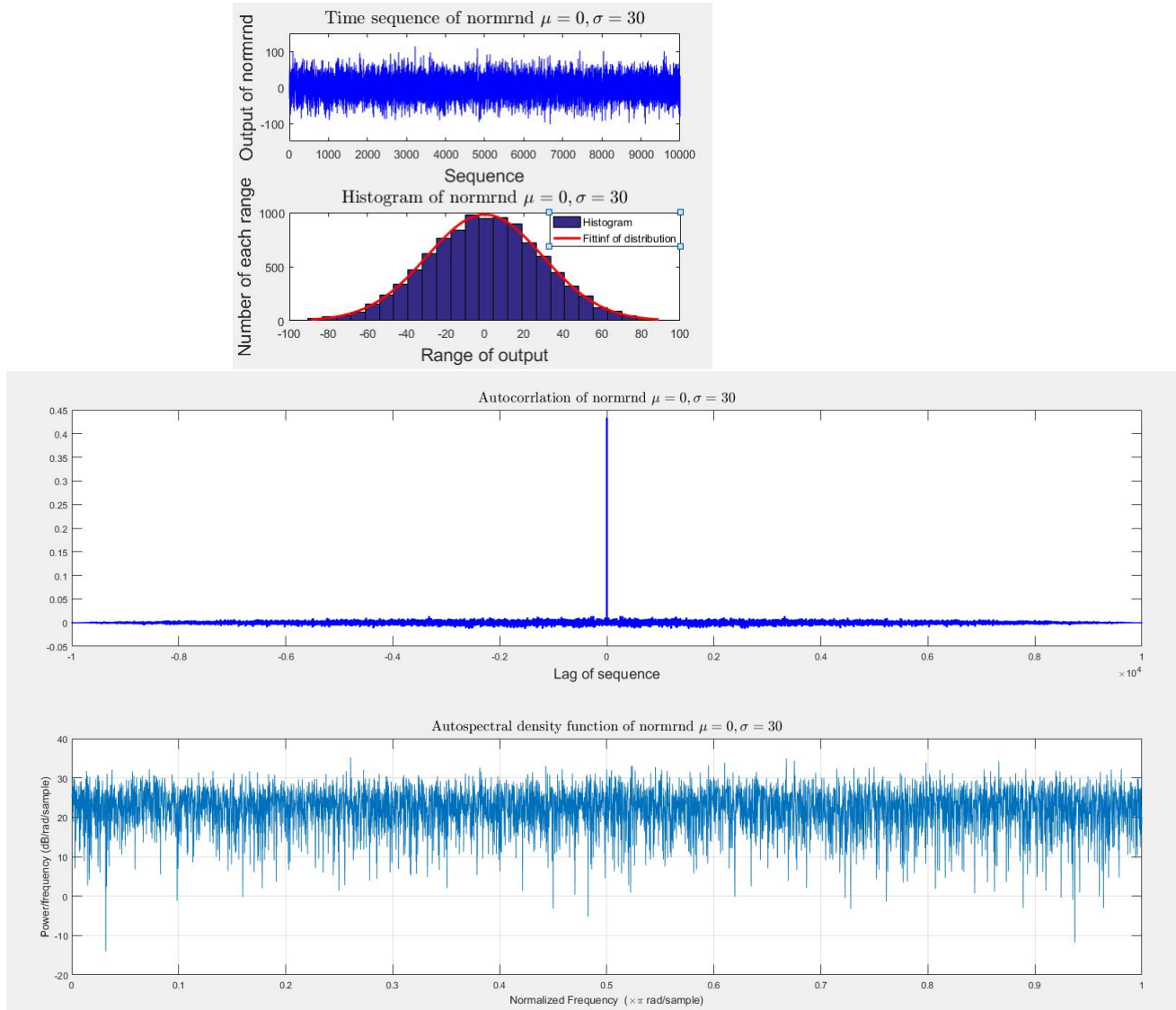


Figure 1: First figure is the time sequence with the output from the naive matlab function normrnd. Second one is the histogram and the fitting diagram. Third figure is the autocorrelation of the random sequence. Final one is the autospectral density function.

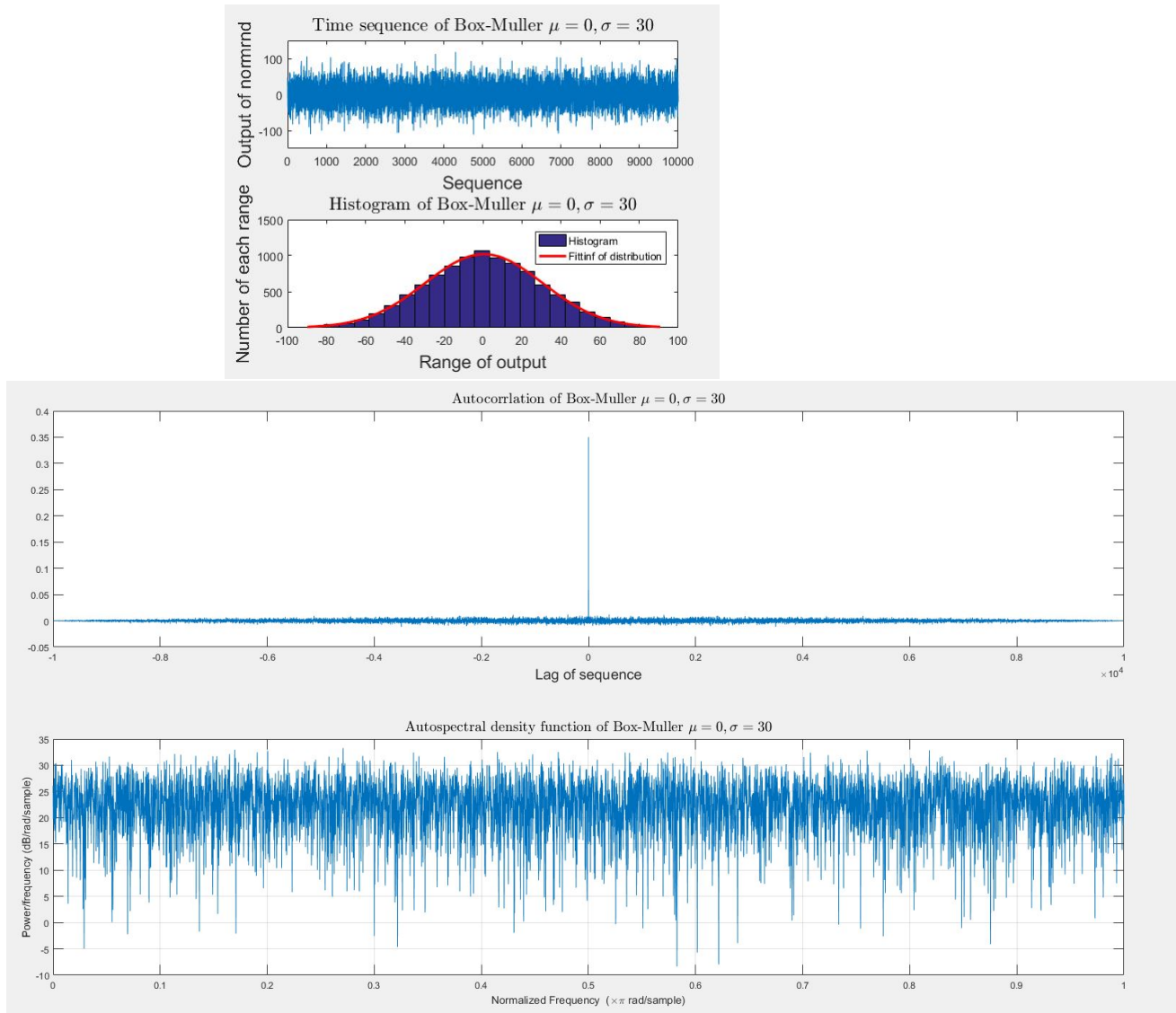


Figure 2: Firsrt figure is the time sequence with the output from the Box-Müller method(from previous homework). Second one is the histogram and the fitting diagram.Third figure is the autocorrelation of the random sequence.Final one is the autospectral density function.

2.2 Problem 2

2.2.1 Description

Generate a random response for 1st and 2nd-order low-pass filter with input of Gaussian white process. The input to the filter by using `randn()` in Matlab should be divided by the square root of step size in time sequence. The transfer function of the 1st and 2nd-order filters are given as $TF_1 = \frac{1}{2s+1}$ and $TF_2 = \frac{0.25}{s^2+0.7071s+0.25}$, respectively.

2.2.2 Answer

We discuss the linear transformation of random process at first. If there is an arbitrary random sequence $\{x_k(t)\}$ and a transform operator $A : t \rightarrow v$ which will let the sample function $\{x_k(t)\}$ map into $\{y_k(v)\}$. If the transform operator is linear (which means that it is additive, invertible, homogeneous), then the image of $x_k(t)$ is $y_k(v)$ which has the following properties.

1. If $x(t)$ is from a weakly (strongly) stationary random process and if the operator A is linear and time-invariant, then $y(v) = A[x(t)]$ will form a weakly (strongly) stationary random process.
2. If $x(t)$ follows a Gaussian distribution and the operator A is linear, then $y(v) = A[x(t)]$ will also follow a Gaussian distribution.

If a stationary random signal input to a LTI system, it can be represented by the below figure.



Figure 3: The input of the SISO system is generally denoted as the symbol u and the output is y . However, we use the input signal denoted as x instead of u for convenience.

The output $y(t)$ is defined as $y(t) = \int_0^\infty h(\tau)x(t-\tau)d\tau$ where $h(\tau) = 0$ for $\tau < 0$. After some calculations, we can get the two-sided spectrum relations as below:

- Input/Output autospectrum relation :

$$S_{yy}(f) = |H(f)|^2 S_{xx}(f) \quad (5)$$

- Input/Output cross-spectrum relation :

$$S_{xy}(f) = H(f) S_{xx}(f) \quad (6)$$

And the one-side spectral density functions $G_{xx}(f), G_{yy}(f), G_{xy}(f)$, where $G(f) = 2S(f)$ for $f \geq 0$

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$$G_{yy} = |H(f)|^2 G_{xx}(f) \quad (7)$$

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$$G_{xy}(f) = H(f) G_{xx}(f) = |G_{xy}(f)| e^{-j\theta^{xy}(f)} \quad (8)$$

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$$H(f) = |H(f)| e^{-j\theta(f)} \quad (9)$$

We discuss the frequency response by Bode plot of each filter.

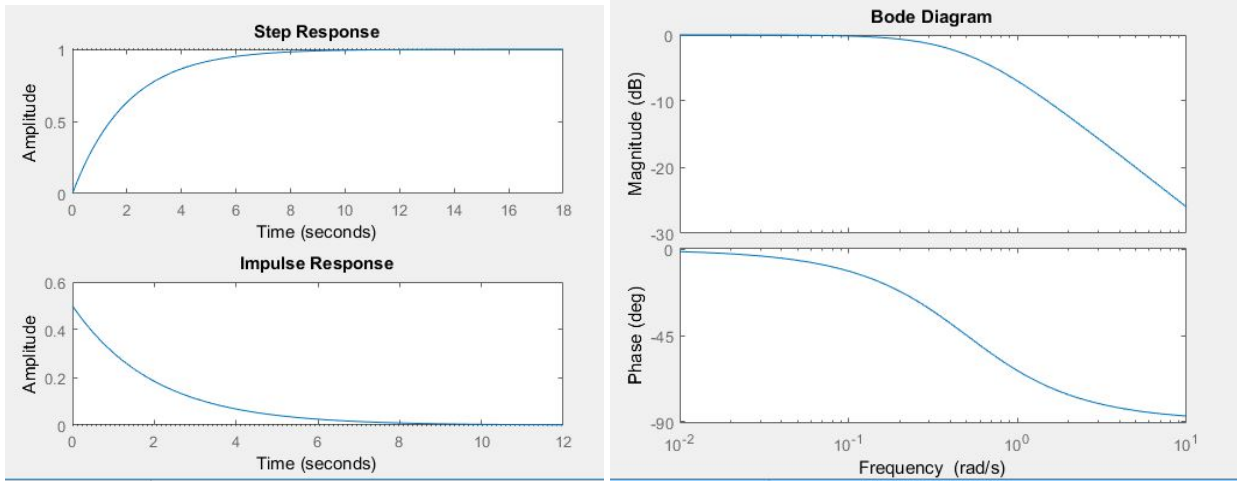


Figure 4: The left two figures are the step and the impulse response of the $TF_1 = \frac{1}{2s+1}$. The right side are the frequency responses and we can find that the corner frequency is close to 0.4 rad/s .

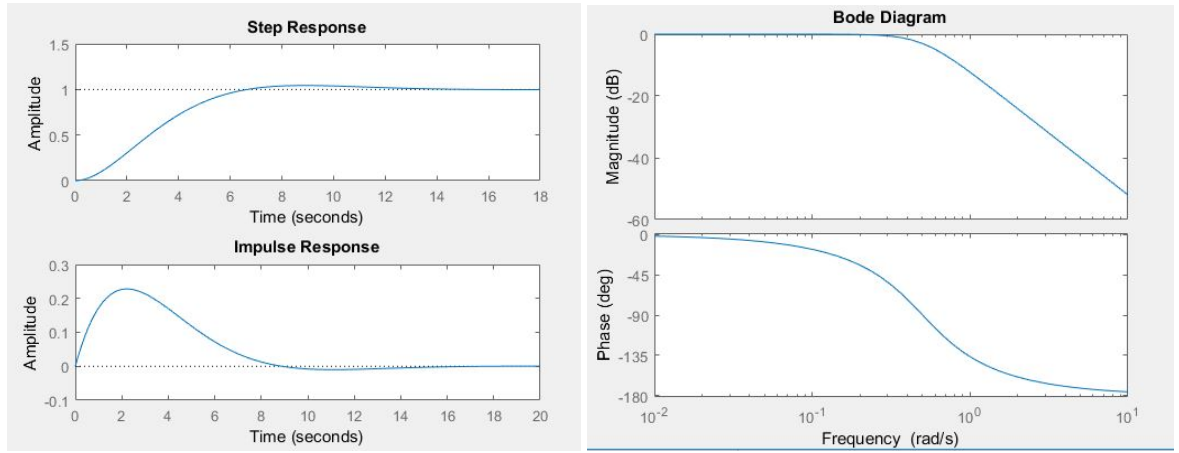


Figure 5: The left two figures are the step and the impulse response of the $TF_2 = \frac{0.25}{s^2 + 0.7071s + 0.25}$. The right side are the frequency responses. The right side are the frequency responses and we can find that the corner frequency is close to $0.3 \sim 0.4 \text{ rad/s}$.

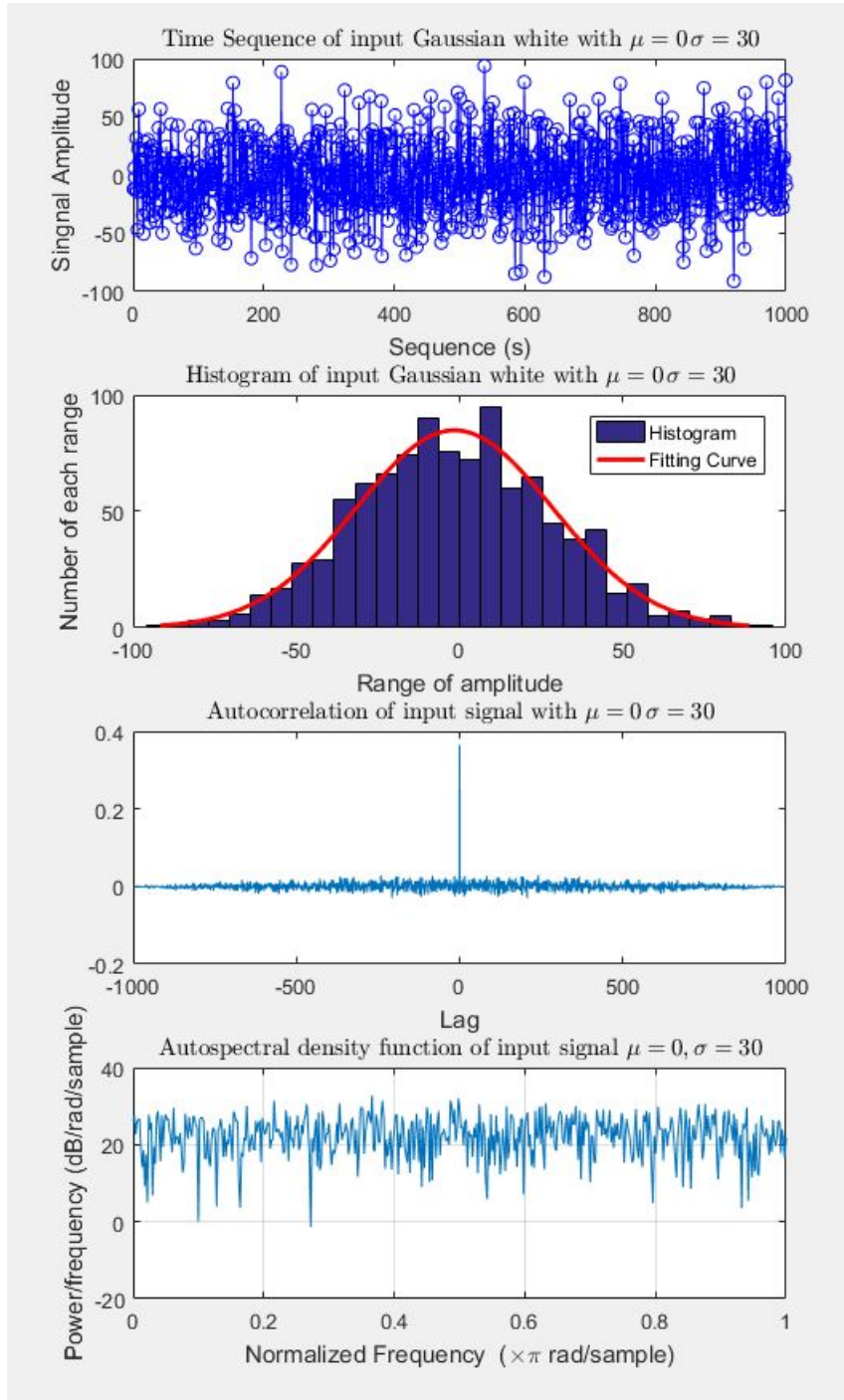


Figure 6: First figure is the input amplitude of Gaussian white noise versus time sequences. The second one is the histogram of the input signal versus amplitude. The third is the auto-correlation of input signal. Final one is the autospectral density diagram.

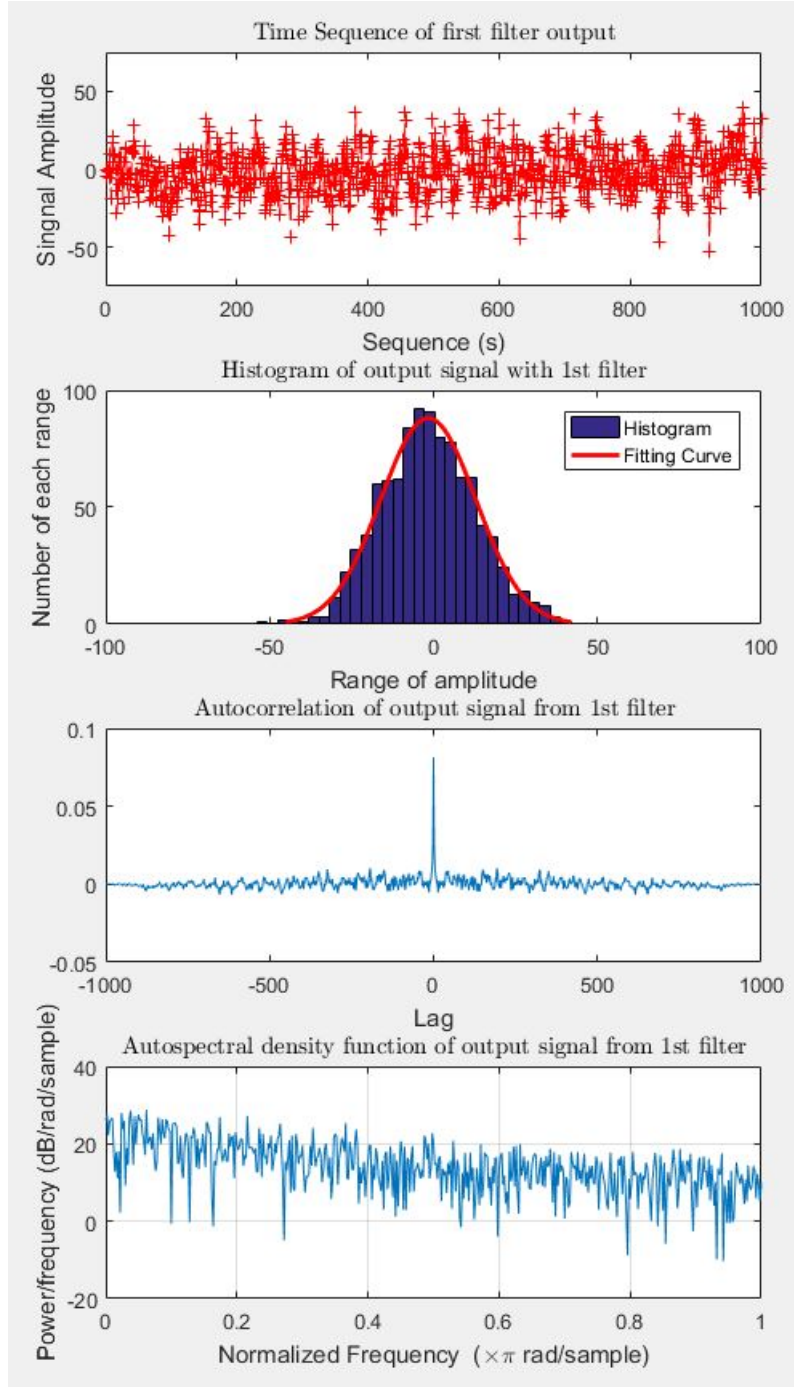


Figure 7: First figure is the amplitude of output signal from 1st filter versus time sequences. The second one is the histogram of the output signal versus amplitude. The third is the auto-correlation of output signal. Final one is the autospectral density diagram. We can see that the output signal start to decay approximately at $0.2 \times \pi \simeq 0.6 \text{ rad/s}$.

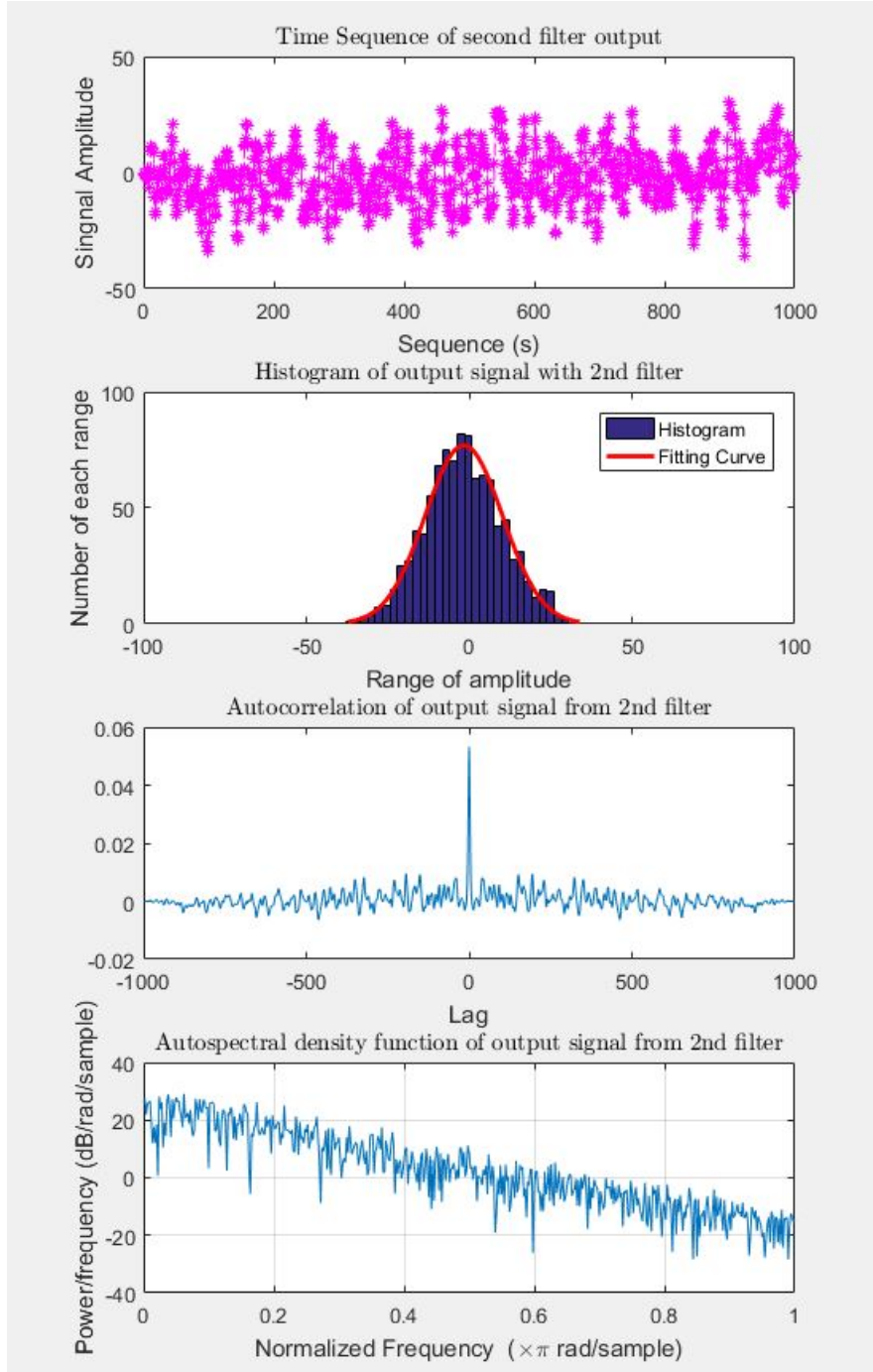


Figure 8: First figure is the amplitude of output signal from 2nd filter versus time sequences. The second one is the histogram of the output signal versus amplitude. The third is the auto-correlation of output signal. Final one is the autospectral density diagram. We can see that the output signal start to decay approximately at $0.15 \times \pi \simeq 0.45 \text{ rad/s}$.

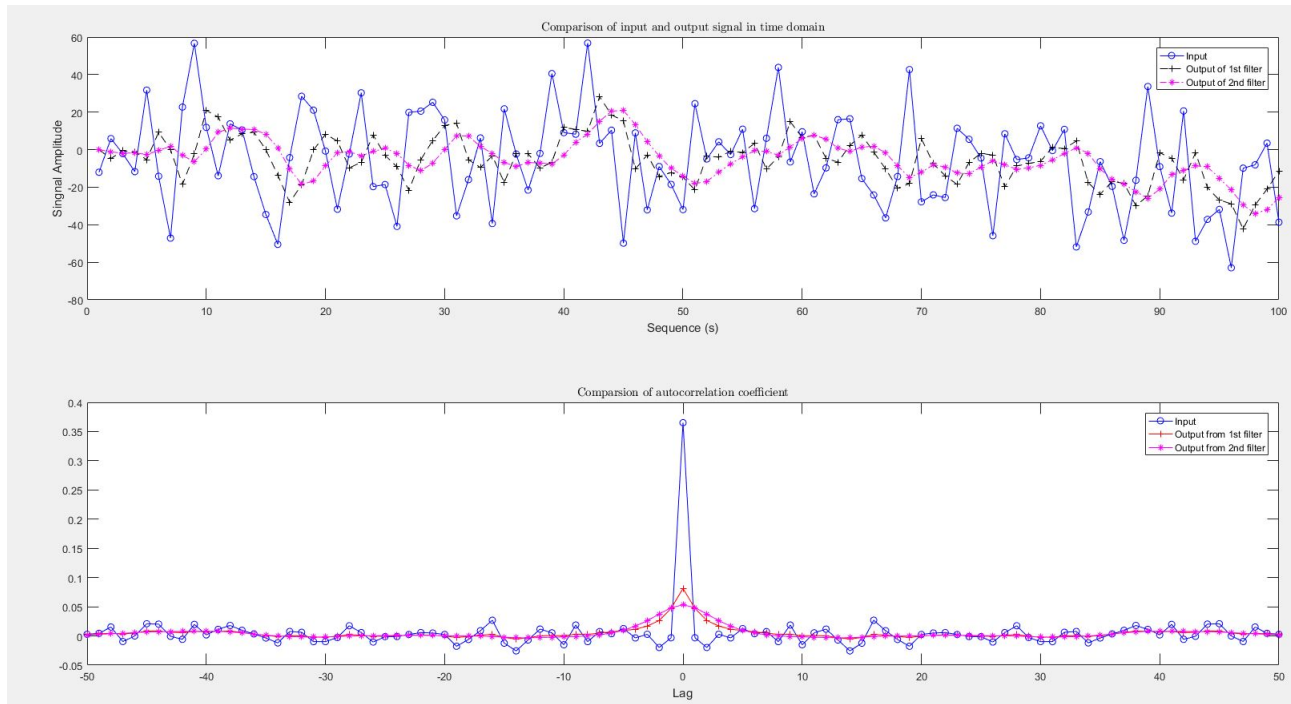


Figure 9: The first figure is the comparison of the input and output signal on time domain. The second one is the comparison of the autocorrelation function between the input and output signal.

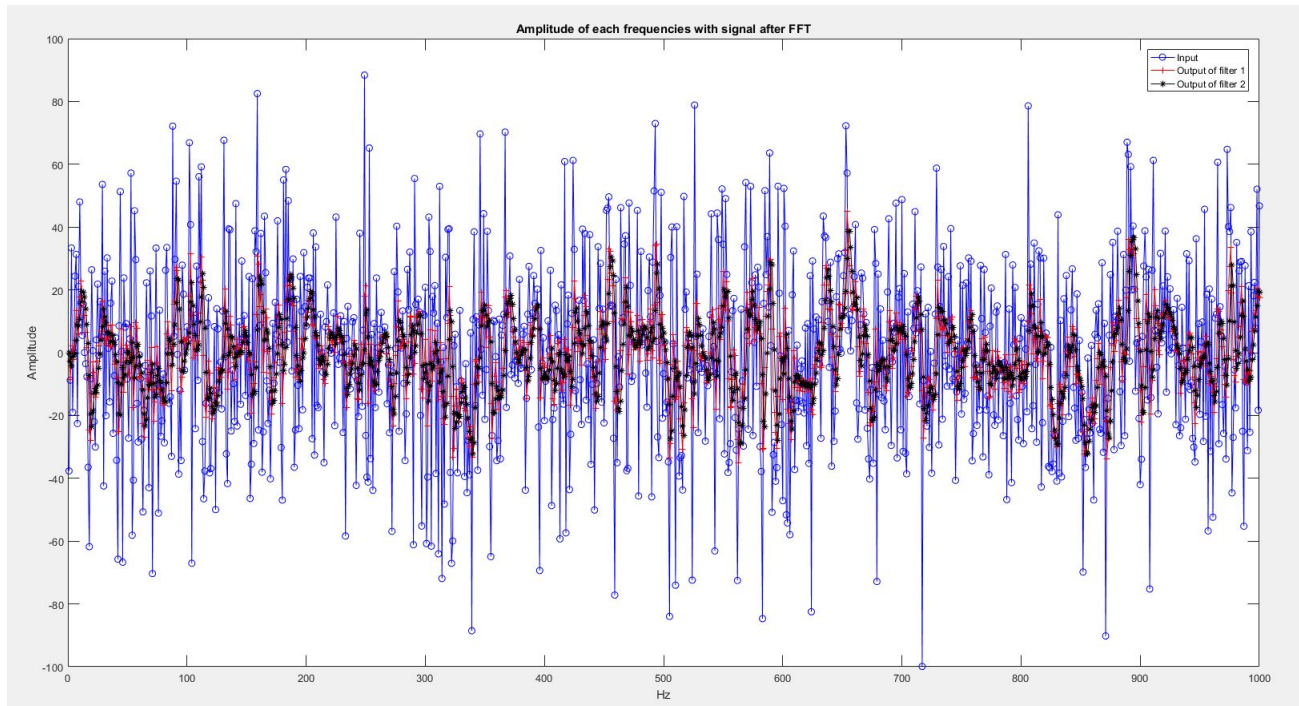


Figure 10: The figure is the comparison between the amplitude of the input and output signal on frequency domain by FFT.

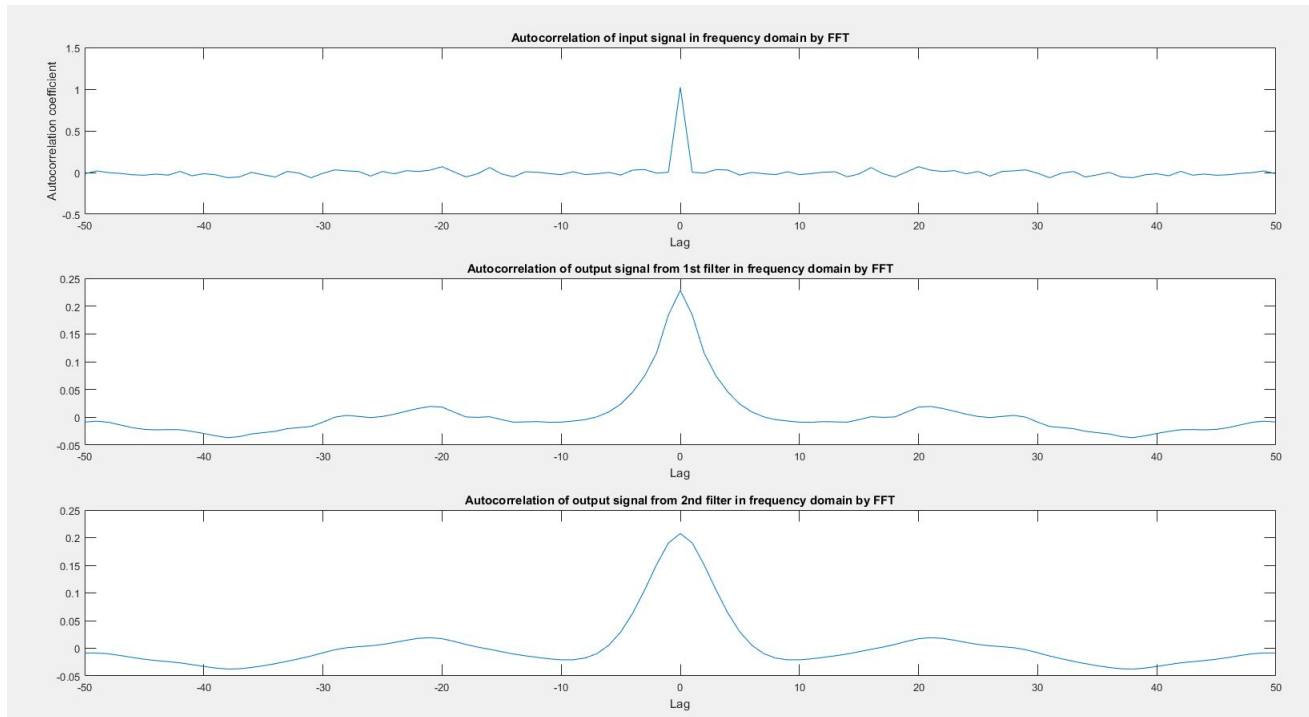


Figure 11: The figure is the autocorrelation of the input and output signal on frequency domain separately.

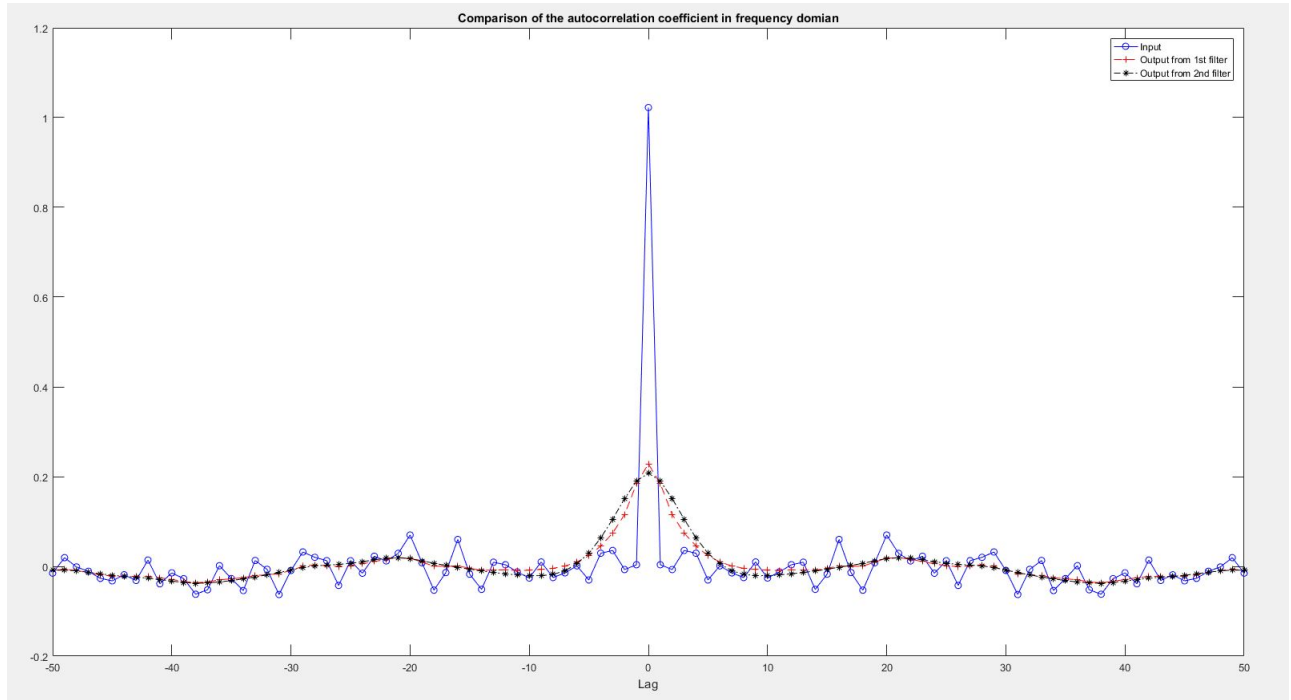


Figure 12: The figure is the comparison of the autocorrelation between the input and output signal on frequency domain.

2.3 Problem 3

2.3.1 Description

Discard the nonstationary part and show that the response reaches weakly stationary through ensemble average by numerical verification.

2.3.2 Answer

The problem is designed for discussion for the ergodic and stationary property. The strictly stationary is defined as the statistical properties like mean, variance, standard deviation \dots are independent of time. The definition of the ergodic based on the book [2] is defined as "the mean and the autocorrelation of the random data are independent of the different sample". A random data is stationary ergodic means that the ensemble average equals to the time average.

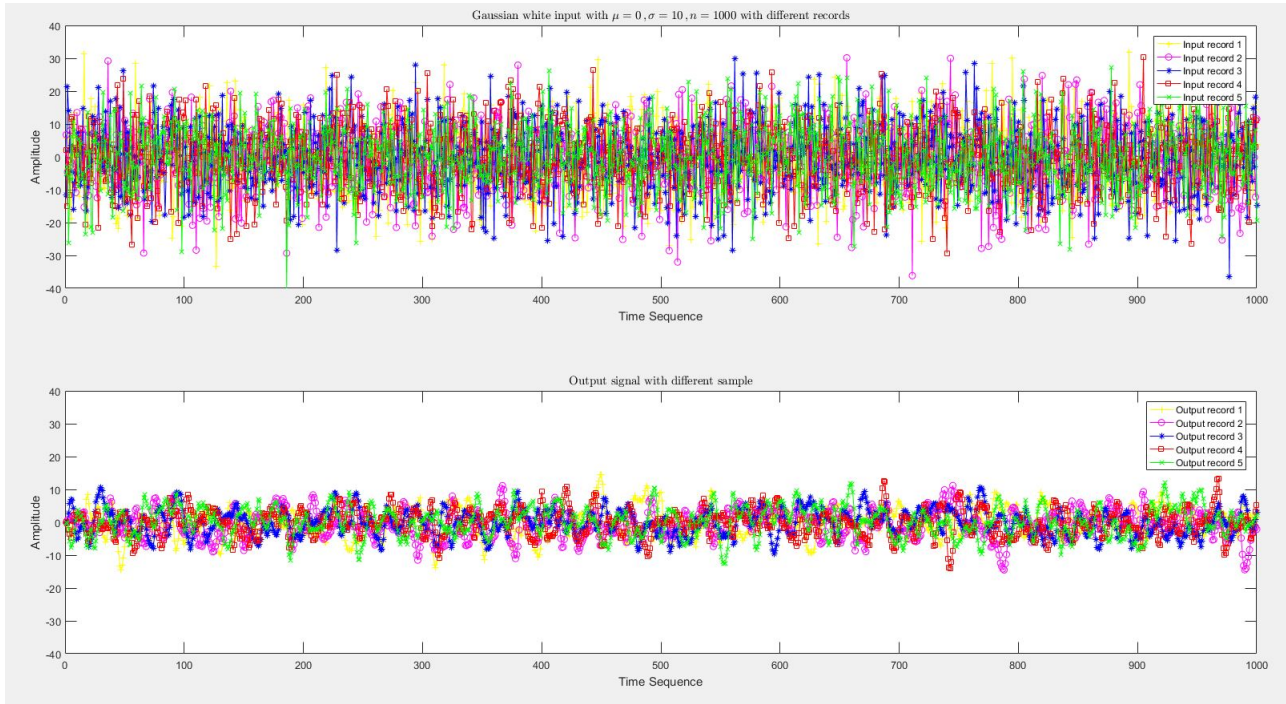


Figure 13: Input and output signal with different sample records in time sequence 0 ~ 1000 (The figure only displays first five sample records without showing the other 995 sample records. The number of the total sample records is 1000.)

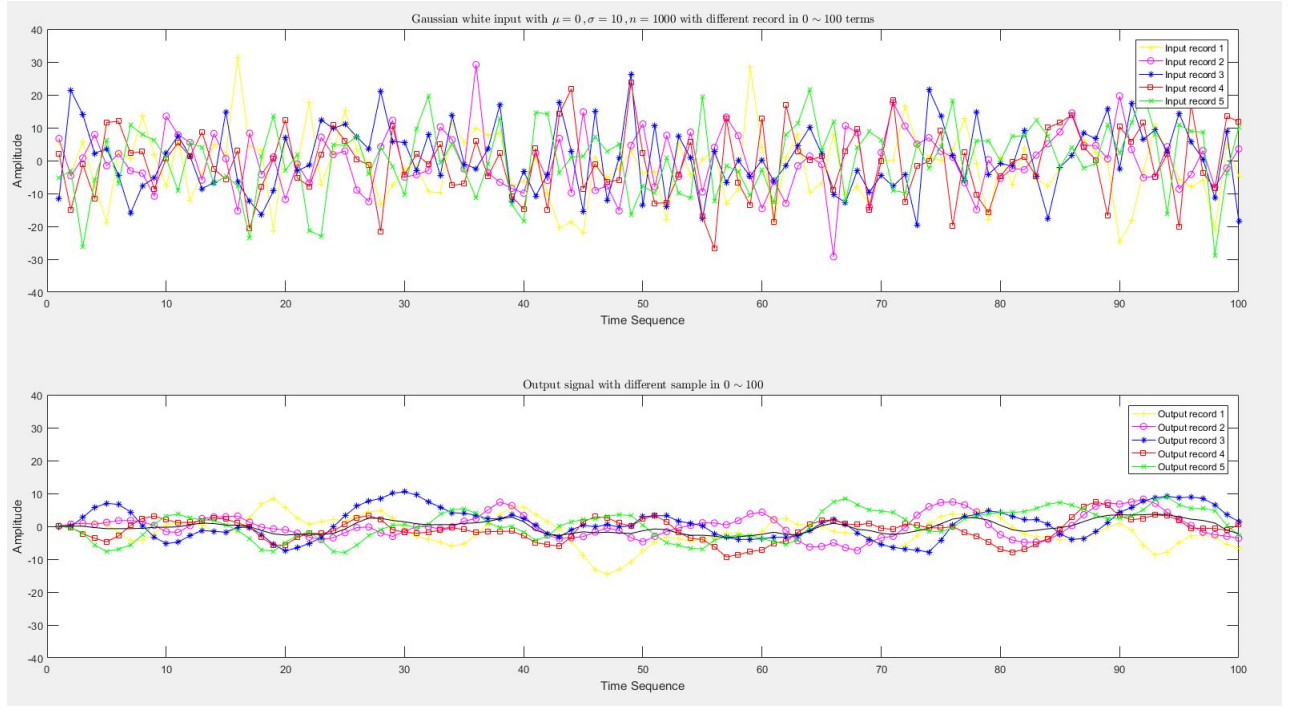


Figure 14: Input and output signal with different records in time $0 \sim 100$ (The figure only displays first five sample records without showing the other 995 sample records. The number of the total sample records is 1000.)

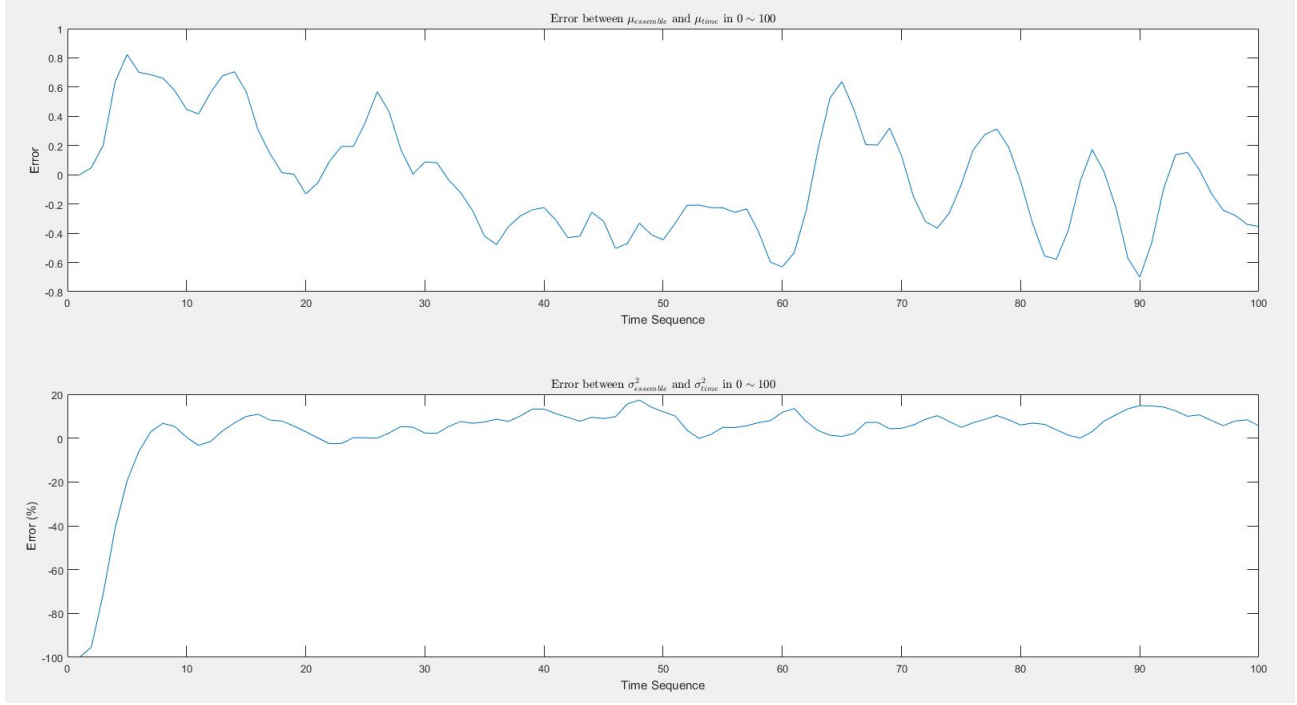


Figure 15: We can see the output signal is not stationary by the second figure which is the difference of ensemble variance and the time variance based on the method $\frac{\sigma_{ensemble}^2 - \sigma_{time}^2}{\sigma_{time}^2}$. The first one is the difference of ensemble average and time average based on the formula $\mu_{ensemble} - \mu_{time}$.

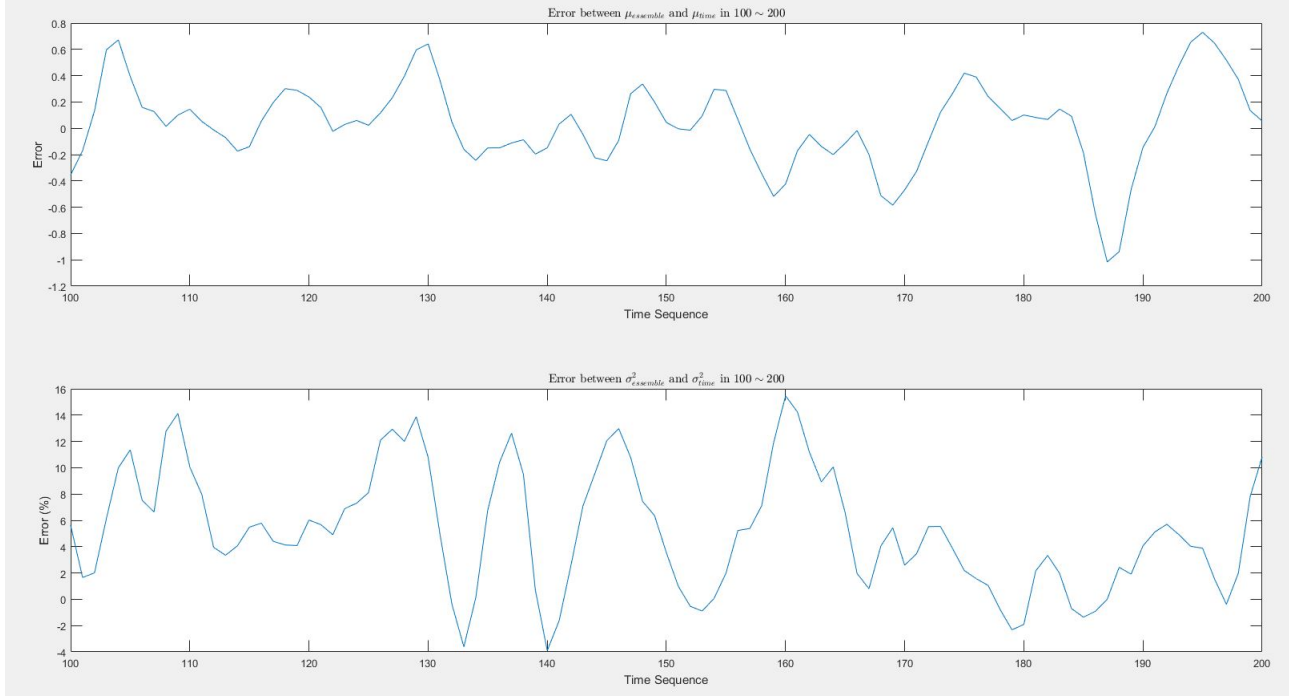


Figure 16: We can see the output signal is stationary by the both figures. The first one is based on the formula $\mu_{ensemble} - \mu_{time}$ and the second one is based on $\frac{\sigma_{ensemble}^2 - \sigma_{time}^2}{\sigma_{time}^2}$.

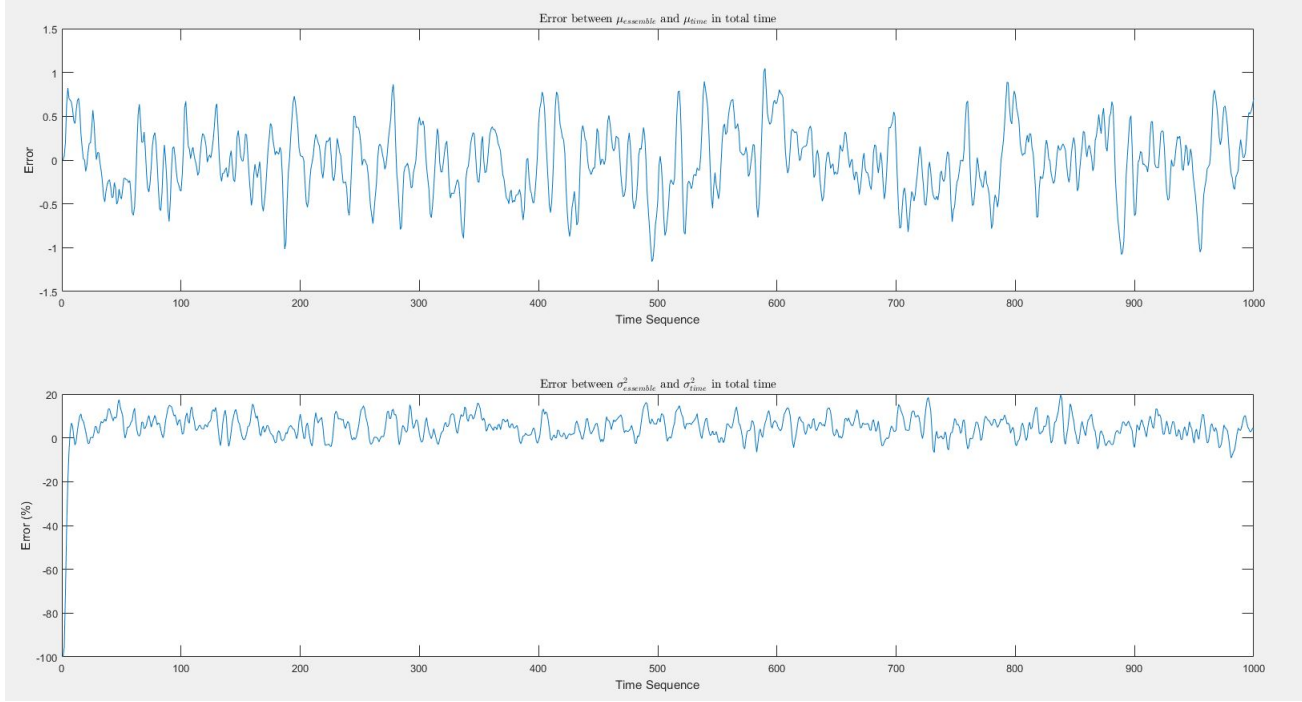


Figure 17: Ensemble average and ensemble variance for all time sequence

If we can't get the ensemble statistical properties for stationary testing. We can use the follow steps to do stationary test:

- Divide the sample record into N equal sample time and the data in the sample time interval should be thought as independent.
- Compute the statistical properties likes mean, variance... separately and form a sequence.
- The elements in the sequences should be same as the total time statistical properties.
- Change the sample time and check again.

If we use the 20000 sequences to do stationary test and we define the sample time as 200. We can get a table like following one:

Input singnal($\mu_{sampletime} - \mu_{time}$)	0.1791	0.8062	0.3819	-0.6777	0.6316	0.5150	-0.3552	-0.8148	0.4015
Ouput singnal from 1st filter($\mu_{sampletime} - \mu_{time}$)	0.1488	0.8176	0.3850	-0.6888	0.6977	0.5127	-0.3330	-0.8581	0.4057
Ouput singnal from 2nd filter($\mu_{sampletime} - \mu_{time}$)	0.1417	0.8188	0.3835	-0.7008	0.7046	0.5347	-0.3262	-0.8675	0.3973
Input Singnal ($\frac{\sigma_{sampletime}^2 - \sigma_{time}^2}{\sigma_{time}^2}$) %	0.0421	-1.5080	5.6222	2.5148	-3.5034	2.3513	-4.4475	-0.6911	-0.2100
Ouput singnal from 1st filter ($\frac{\sigma_{sampletime}^2 - \sigma_{time}^2}{\sigma_{time}^2}$) %	-1.0139	1.4121	1.8373	0.7246	0.4861	-0.8954	-2.5458	0.0653	-1.1979
Ouput singnal from 2nd filter ($\frac{\sigma_{sampletime}^2 - \sigma_{time}^2}{\sigma_{time}^2}$) %	-1.2052	1.8855	1.4090	0.4952	0.9871	-1.2865	-2.5248	0.1202	-1.5903

Table 1: Statiscal properties of the input and output signal

From table 1 , we can think that either input or output are close to station-ary. We can also use the other method like Wald—Wolfowitz runs test[2][4], we use the matlab run test function 'runtest' an the result are below:

Input	Ouput from 1st filter	Output from 2nd filter
0	1	1

Table 2: Result of run test for the input and output signal

The result '0' means that the sequence is stationary at the 5% significance level by the method.

3 Discussion

3.1 Problem 1

Figure one shows that the Gaussian white noise has the all properties which described by the equation 1 ~ 4. Figure 2 shows the output of the Box-Müller method from previous homework has the same result which means that the method is good for generating the Gaussian white noise.

3.2 Problem 2

Figure 6 shows that white properties are same as the result of the problem 1. Figure 7 and 8 show that the output of an LTI filter is still Gaussian distribution with the Gaussian white input. This property is the invariant property of the Gaussian white process. However, we can notice that the white property will be destroyed by the filter from the autocorrelation and the autospectral density diagram . The trend of output signal's autospectral density function is accord with the equation 5 and equation 7. The corner frequency of these filter are close to the corner frequency of the Bode plot. This can be the proof of the the equation 5 and equation 7.

3.3 Problem 3

The problem shows that the stationary ergodic can be checked by the equality of the time average and ensemble average. We can also check the ensemble variance(standard deviation) and the time variance(standard deviation) for testing stationary property. We can know that the output signal doesn't reach stationary form the ensemble variance diagram of figure 15. We can use the stationary test method like run test, reverse arrangements test ... to test the stationary of a sequence.

4 Appendix

All of my code can be found on the Github.

- Problem1a.m: Figure 1 & 2
- Problem2a.m: Figure 4 & 5
- Problem2b.m: Figure 6 ~ 12
- Problem2c.m: Figure 13 ~ 17
- Problem2d.m: Table 1 & 2

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