9-3 The Power Spectrum

Definitions

• The power spectrum (or spectral density) of a WSS random process $\mathbf{x}(t)$, real or complex, is the Fourier transform of its autocorrelation function $R_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\tau) = E\{\mathbf{x}(t+\tau)\mathbf{x}(t)\}$:

$$S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\tau) e^{-j\omega\tau} d\tau$$

• From the Fourier inversion formula

$$R_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\tau) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\omega) e^{j\omega\tau} d\omega$$

• The cross power spectrum of two random processes $\mathbf{x}(t)$ and $\mathbf{y}(t)$ is the Fourier transform of their cross correlation $R_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(\tau) = E\{\mathbf{x}(t+\tau)\mathbf{y}^*(t)\}$:

$$S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(\tau) e^{-j\omega\tau} d\tau$$

• From the Fourier inversion formula

$$R_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(\tau) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(\omega) e^{j\omega\tau} d\omega$$

Properties

- 1. $S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\omega)$ is a real-valued function of ω .
- 2. If $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is real, then $S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\omega)$ is real and even.
- 3. $S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\omega) \geq 0$ for all ω .
- 4. $S_{\mathbf{xy}}(\omega)$ is, in general, complex valued, even when both processes $\mathbf{x}(t)$ and $\mathbf{y}(t)$ are real-valued processes.
- 5. $S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(\omega) = S_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{x}}^*(\omega)$

TABLE 9-1

$$R(\tau) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(\omega) e^{j\omega\tau} d\omega \quad \leftrightarrow \quad S(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R(\tau) e^{-j\omega\tau} d\tau$$

$$\delta(\tau) \leftrightarrow 1 \qquad 1 \leftrightarrow 2\pi\delta(\omega)$$

$$e^{j\beta\tau} \leftrightarrow 2\pi\delta(\omega - \beta) \quad \cos(\beta\tau) \leftrightarrow \pi\delta(\omega - \beta) + \pi\delta(\omega + \beta)$$

$$e^{-\alpha|\tau|} \leftrightarrow \frac{2\alpha}{\alpha^2 + \omega^2} \qquad e^{-\alpha\tau^2} \leftrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\alpha}} e^{-\omega^2/4\alpha}$$

$$e^{-\alpha|\tau|} \cos(\beta\tau) \leftrightarrow \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + (\omega - \beta)^2} + \frac{\alpha}{\alpha^2 + (\omega + \beta)^2}$$

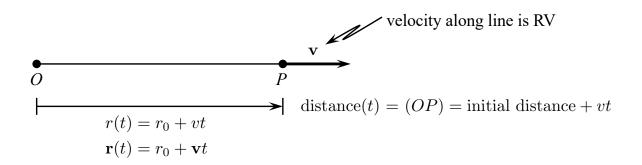
$$2e^{-\alpha\tau^2} \cos(\beta\tau) \leftrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\alpha}} \left[e^{-(\omega - \beta)^2/4\alpha} + e^{-(\omega + \beta)^2/4\alpha} \right]$$

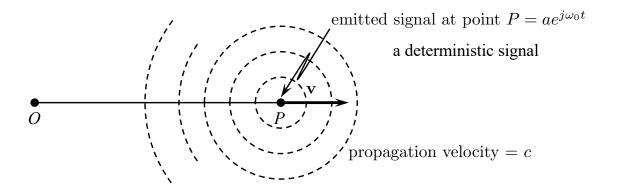
$$\begin{cases} 1 - \frac{|\tau|}{T} & |\tau| < T \\ 0 & |\tau| > T \end{cases} \leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 4\sin^2(\omega T/2) \\ T\omega^2 \end{cases}$$

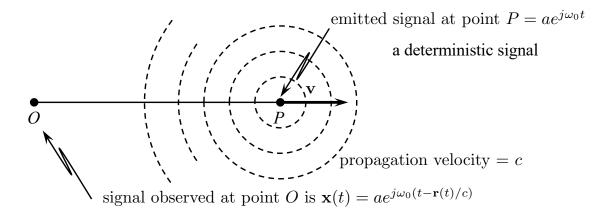
$$\frac{\sin(\sigma\tau)}{\pi\tau} \leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 1 & |\omega| < \sigma \\ 0 & |\omega| > \sigma \end{cases}$$

$$e^{-\alpha|\tau|}\sin(\beta|\tau|)\leftrightarrow\frac{\omega+\beta}{\alpha^2+(\omega+\beta)^2}-\frac{\omega-\beta}{\alpha^2+(\omega-\beta)^2} \label{eq:continuous} \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{These are valid Fourier transform pairs, but the left-hand sides by themselves are not valid auto-correlation functions. (See Property 6.)} \end{array} \right.$$

Example 9-24: Doppler Effect







Observed signal is a random process because $\mathbf{r}(t)$ is a random process. $\mathbf{r}(t)$ is a random process because \mathbf{v} is a random variable.

If $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is WSS, we can ask, "What is the power spectral density of $\mathbf{x}(t)$?"

LTI System with WSS Input

$$\mathbf{x}(t) \longrightarrow \mathbf{h}(t) \longrightarrow \mathbf{y}(t)$$

$$\mu_{\mathbf{y}} = \mu_{\mathbf{x}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(u) du \qquad \qquad \mu_{\mathbf{y}} = \mu_{\mathbf{x}} H(0)$$

$$R_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\tau + u) h^*(u) du \qquad \qquad S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(\omega) = S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\omega) H^*(\omega)$$

$$R_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(\tau - u) h(u) du \qquad \qquad S_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}}(\omega) = S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(\omega) H(\omega) = S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\omega) |H(\omega)|^2$$

Example 9-27

$$\mathbf{x}(t) \longrightarrow h(t) \longrightarrow \mathbf{y}(t)$$

(a)
$$\mathbf{y}'(t) + c\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t)$$
 all t $\mu_{\mathbf{x}} = 0$ $R_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\tau) = q\delta(\tau)$

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s+c}$$

$$H(\omega) = \frac{1}{c+j\omega}$$

$$|H(\omega)|^2 = \frac{1}{c^2 + \omega^2}$$

$$S_{yy}(\omega) = S_{xx}(\omega)|H(\omega)|^2$$

$$= \frac{q}{c^2 + \omega^2}$$

$$R_{yy}(\tau) = \frac{q}{2c}e^{-c|\tau|}$$

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s+c}$$

$$h(t) = e^{-ct}U(t)$$

$$R_{\mathbf{xy}}(\tau) = \begin{cases} qe^{c\tau} & \tau < 0\\ 0 & \tau > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$R_{\mathbf{yy}}(\tau) = \begin{cases} \int_0^\infty qe^{c(\tau-u)}e^{-cu}du & \tau < 0\\ \int_\tau^\infty qe^{c(\tau-u)}e^{-cu}du & \tau > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{q}{2c}e^{c\tau} & \tau < 0\\ \frac{q}{2c}e^{-c\tau} & \tau > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= \frac{q}{2c}e^{-c|\tau|}$$

$$\rho(\tau) = \begin{cases} \int_0^\infty e^{-c(u-\tau)} e^{-cu} du & \tau < 0 \\ \int_\tau^\infty e^{-c(u-\tau)} e^{-cu} du & \tau > 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2c} e^{c\tau} & \tau < 0 \\ \frac{1}{2c} e^{-c\tau} & \tau > 0 \end{cases} = \frac{1}{2c} e^{-c|\tau|}$$

$$R_{\mathbf{yy}}(\tau) = q\rho(\tau) = \frac{q}{2c} e^{-c|\tau|}$$

$$E\{\mathbf{y}^2(t)\} = R_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}}(0) = \frac{q}{2c}$$

Example 9-27

$$\mathbf{x}(t) \longrightarrow h(t) \longrightarrow \mathbf{y}(t)$$

(b)
$$\mathbf{y}''(t) + b\mathbf{y}'(t) + c\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t)$$
 all t $\mu_{\mathbf{x}} = 0$ $R_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\tau) = q\delta(\tau)$

$$H(s) = \frac{1}{s^2 + bs + c}$$

$$H(\omega) = \frac{1}{c - \omega^2 + ib\omega}$$

$$|H(\omega)|^2 = \frac{1}{(c-\omega^2)^2 + b^2\omega^2}$$

$$S_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}}(\omega) = S_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}(\omega)|H(\omega)|^2 = \frac{q}{(c-\omega^2)^2 + b^2\omega^2}$$

$b^2 < 4c$

$$R_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}}(\tau) = \frac{q}{2bc}e^{-\alpha|\tau|}\left(\cos(\beta\tau) + \frac{\alpha}{\beta}\sin(\beta|\tau|)\right) \qquad \alpha = \frac{b}{2} \qquad \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = c$$

$$\underline{b^2 = 4c}$$

$$R_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}}(\tau) = \frac{q}{2bc}e^{-\alpha|\tau|}\left(1+\alpha|\tau|\right) \qquad \alpha = \frac{b}{2}$$

$b^2 > 4c$

$$R_{yy}(\tau) = \frac{q}{4\gamma bc} \left[(\alpha + \gamma)e^{-(\alpha - \gamma)|\tau|} - (\alpha - \gamma)e^{-(\alpha + \gamma)|\tau|} \right]$$
$$\alpha = \frac{b}{2} \qquad \alpha^2 - \gamma^2 = c$$

In all cases, $E\{\mathbf{y}^2(t)\} = \frac{q}{2bc}$.