

# 7. Correlation functions and Power Spectral Density

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# Agenda for Today

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- Stochastic Processes (repetition)
  - Mean and variance
  - Stationarity
  - Ergodic Processes
- Correlation functions
  - Autocorrelation functions
  - Cross-correlation functions
- Power spectrum density

# Stochastic Processes

## Definitions:

- A stochastic process is a time dependent stochastic variable:

$$X(t)$$

*Continuous-time*

- A discrete stochastic process is given by:

*time*

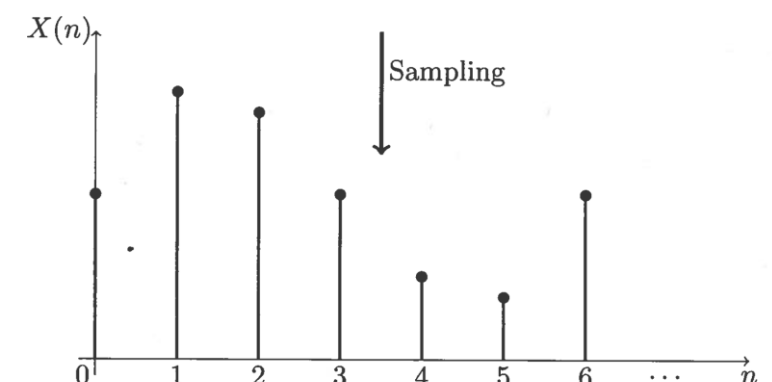
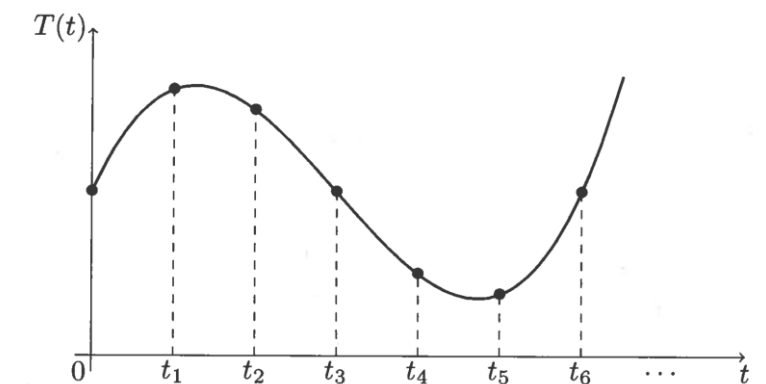
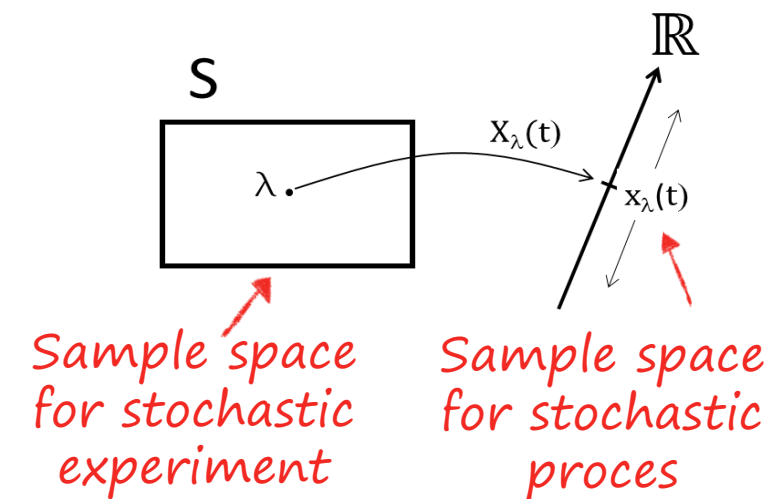
$$X[n] = X(nT)$$

where  $n$  is an integer.

*Discrete-time*

## Notice:

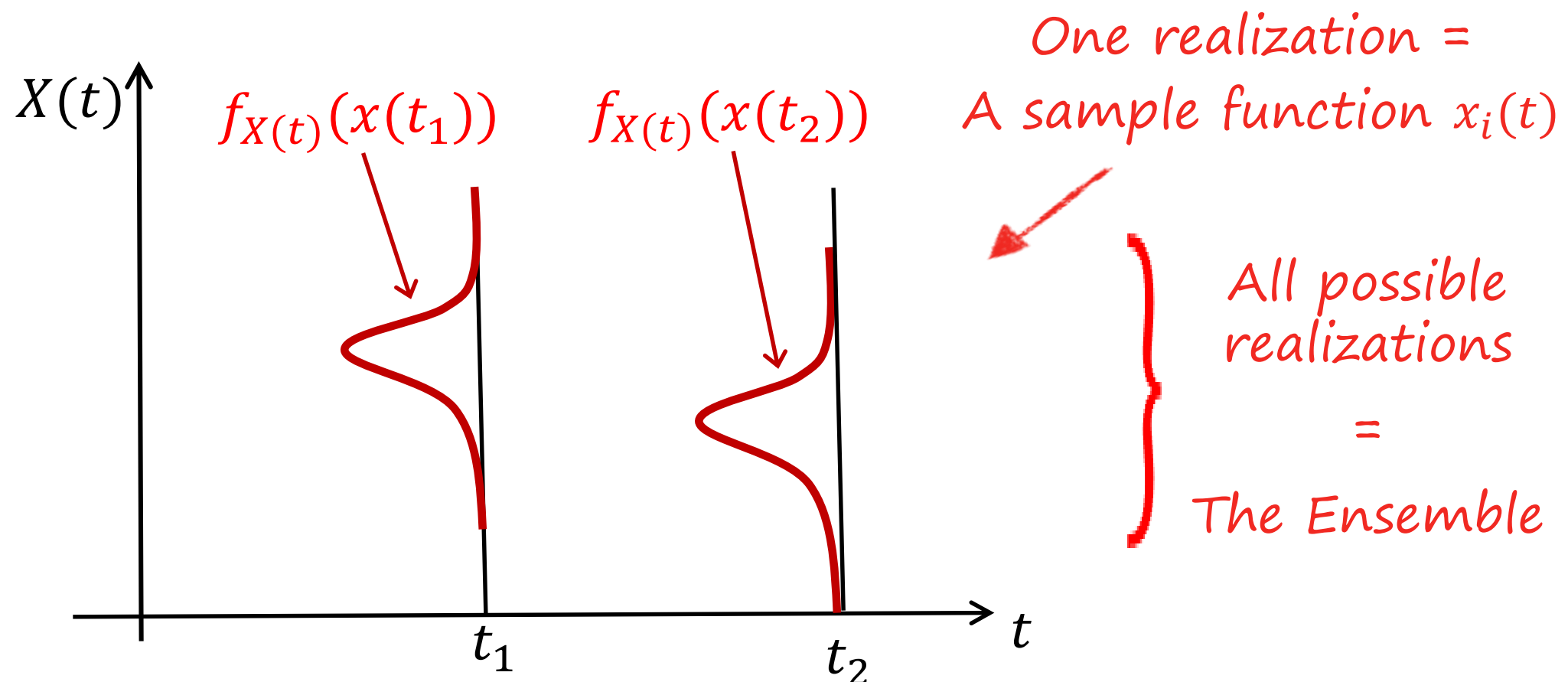
- When we measure/sample a signal from a stochastic process, we observe only one realization of the process



# Sample Functions – Realizations – Ensemble

## Definition:

- A Sample Function  $x(t)$  is a realization of a stochastic process  $X$
- The Ensemble of the Stochastic Process is the collection of all possible realizations  $x(t)$  of the Stochastic Process  $X$





# The Mean and Variance Functions

- Ensemble mean:

$$\mu_{X(t)}(t) = E[X(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) f_{X(t)}(x(t)) dx(t)$$

*The mean/variance of all possible realizations to time  $t$*

- Ensemble variance:

$$\text{Var}(X(t)) = \sigma_{X(t)}^2(t) = E[(X(t) - \mu_{X(t)}(t))^2]$$

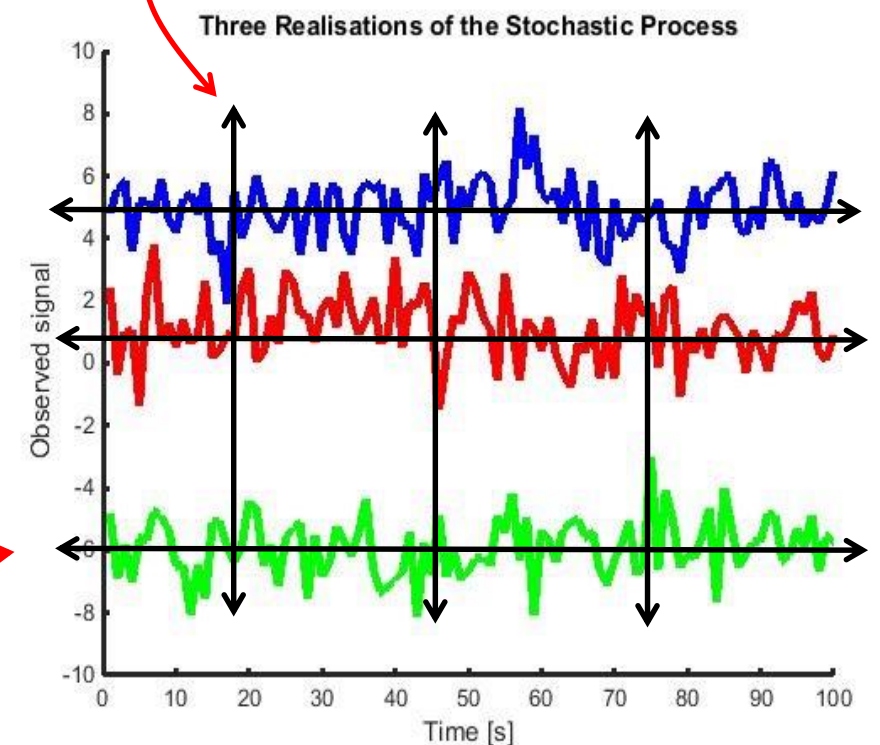
*The time average/variance for one realization of the stochastic process*

- Temporal mean:

$$\hat{\mu}_{X_i} = \langle X_i \rangle_T = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x_i(t) dt$$

- Temporal variance:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{X_i}^2 = \langle X_i^2 \rangle_T - \langle X_i \rangle_T^2 = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} (x_i(t)^2 - \hat{\mu}_{X_i}^2) dt = \text{Var}(X_i)$$



# Stationarity in the Wide Sense (WSS)

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- Ensemble mean is a constant

*Can be tested.*

$$\mu_X(t) = E[X(t)] = \mu_X \quad - \text{independent of time}$$

- Ensemble variance is a constant

$$\sigma_X^2(t) = E[X(t)^2] - E[X(t)]^2 = \sigma_X^2 \quad - \text{independent of time}$$

## Stationarity in the Strict Sense (SSS):

- The density function  $f_{X(t)}(x(t))$  do not change with time

*Difficult to test  
in reality.*

# Ergodicity

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- We can say something about the properties of the stochastic process in general based on one sample function, as long as we have observed it for long enough.
- If ensemble averaging is equivalent to temporal averaging:

Any realization

Ensemble (WSS)

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \langle X_i \rangle_T &= \mu_X \\ \hat{\sigma}_{X_i}^2 &= \sigma_X^2 \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow \text{Ergodic}$$

All information is achieved  
with one measurement  
(realization)

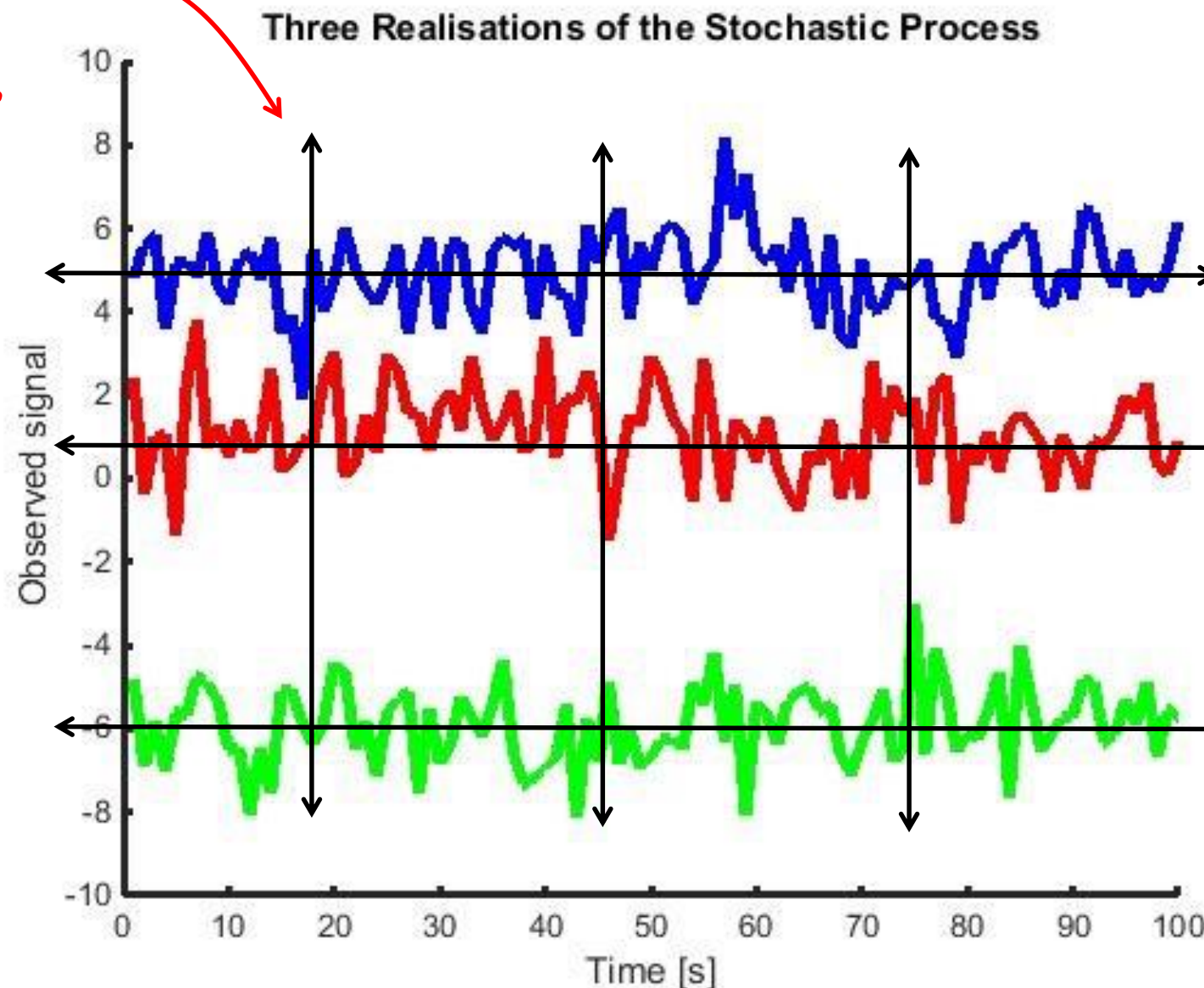
# Stochastic Processes (signals)

## Additive Noisemodel

$$\text{observed signal} = \text{signal} + \text{noise}$$

Ensemble mean  
and variance (to a  
specific time).

If independent of  
time: WSS



Time average and  
variance of each  
realization.

If equal (for all  
realizations):  
Ergodic



*Tells of the coupling between variables*

# Correlation and Covariance – Stochastic Variables

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*Correlation tells of the (biased) coupling between variables*

- Correlation:  $\text{corr}(X, Y) = E[XY] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x \cdot y \cdot f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy$

*Covariance is without bias from the mean*

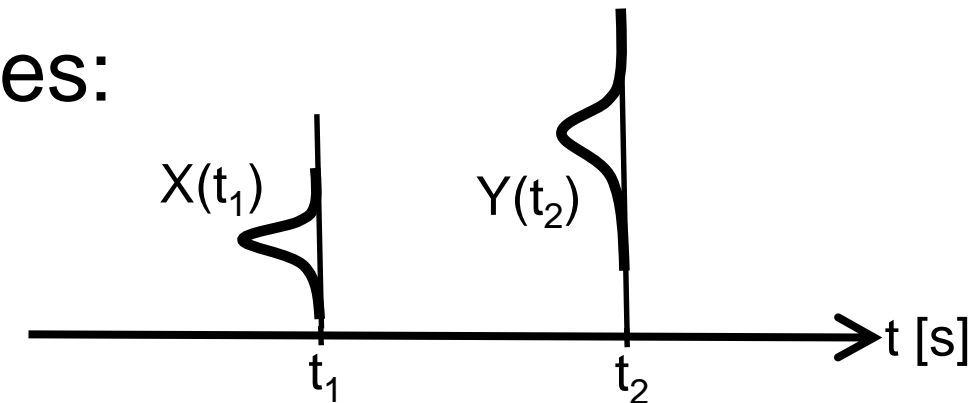
- Covariance:  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - \bar{X})(Y - \bar{Y})] = E[XY] - E[X] \cdot E[Y]$

*Correlation Coefficient is the normalized Covariance*

- Correlation coefficient:  $\rho = E\left[\frac{X - \bar{X}}{\sigma_X} \cdot \frac{Y - \bar{Y}}{\sigma_Y}\right] = \frac{E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]}{\sigma_X \cdot \sigma_Y}$   
 $-1 \leq \rho \leq 1$

# Correlations – Stochastic Processes

We compare processes at two different times:



*Correlation of a process with itself*

- Autocorrelation:  $R_{XX}(t_1, t_2) = E[X(t_1)X(t_2)^*]$ 
  - Says something about how much the signal  $X(t_1)$  resembles itself at time  $t_2$
  - Dependent on how rapidly the signal changes over time
  - Larger if  $|t_1 - t_2|$  is small

*Correlation of two different processes*

- Cross-correlation:  $R_{XY}(t_1, t_2) = E[X(t_1)Y(t_2)^*]$ 
  - Can be used to look for places where the signal  $X(t)$  is similar to the signal  $Y(t)$



# Correlations

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Master of starry sky



Satellite  
navigation  
camera



How is the  
satellite oriented?



*Ensemble means that it applied for the ensemble of the process*

# Ensemble Autocorrelation

- In general:  
$$R_{XX}(t_1, t_2) = E[X(t_1)X(t_2)^*]$$
$$= \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t_1) x(t_2)^* f_{X(t_1), X(t_2)}(x(t_1), x(t_2)) dx(t_1) dx(t_2)$$

*Tells about the connection at two different times*

*Complex conjugated*

- For a stationary process (WSS):

$$R_{XX}(t_1, t_2) = R_{XX}(t_1 + T, t_2 + T) = E[X(t_1 + T)X(t_2 + T)^*]$$

*Independent of time ( $t_1$ )*  
*Depends only on  $\tau = t_2 - t_1$*

- We rewrite to:  $R_{XX}(\tau) = E[X(t)X(t + \tau)^*]$

*$\tau = t_2 - t_1$  is the lag!*

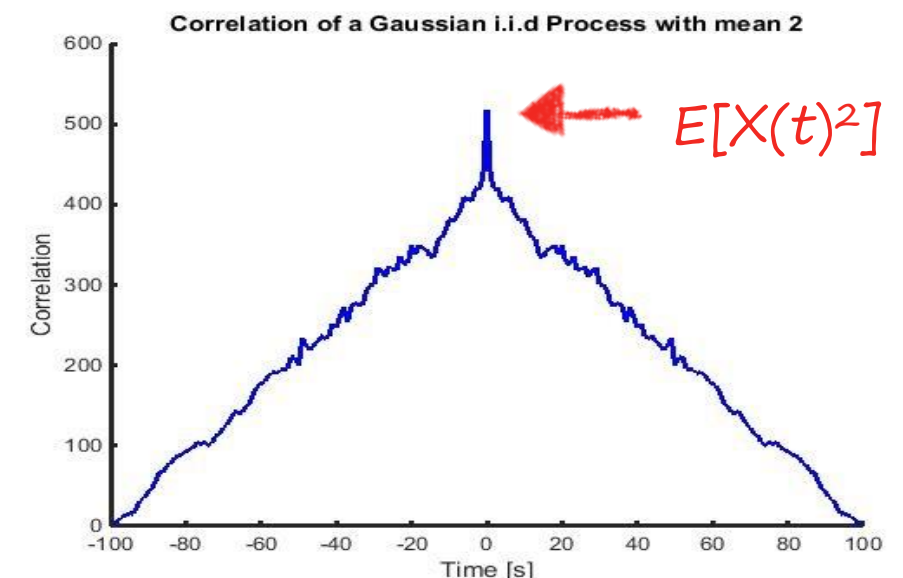


# Autocorrelation

- For Real WSS:  $R_{XX}(\tau) = E[X(t)X(t + \tau)]$
- Properties of the autocorrelation function  $R_{XX}(\tau)$ :
  - An even function of  $\tau$  ( $R_{XX}(\tau) = R_{XX}(-\tau)$ )
  - Bounded by:  $|R_{XX}(\tau)| \leq R_{XX}(0) = E[X^2]$  (max. in  $\tau = 0$ )
  - If  $X(t)$  changes fast, then  $R_{XX}(\tau)$  decreases fast from  $\tau = 0$
  - If  $X(t)$  changes slowly, then  $R_{XX}(\tau)$  decreases slowly from  $\tau = 0$
  - If  $X(t)$  is periodic, then  $R_{XX}(\tau)$  is also periodic

Notice: If  $X(t)$  is WSS, and  $X(t)$  and  $X(t + \tau)$  are independent for  $\tau \neq 0$  then:

$$R_{XX}(\tau) = E[X(t)X(t + \tau)] = E[X(t)] \cdot E[X(t + \tau)]$$



# Random Walk – Example

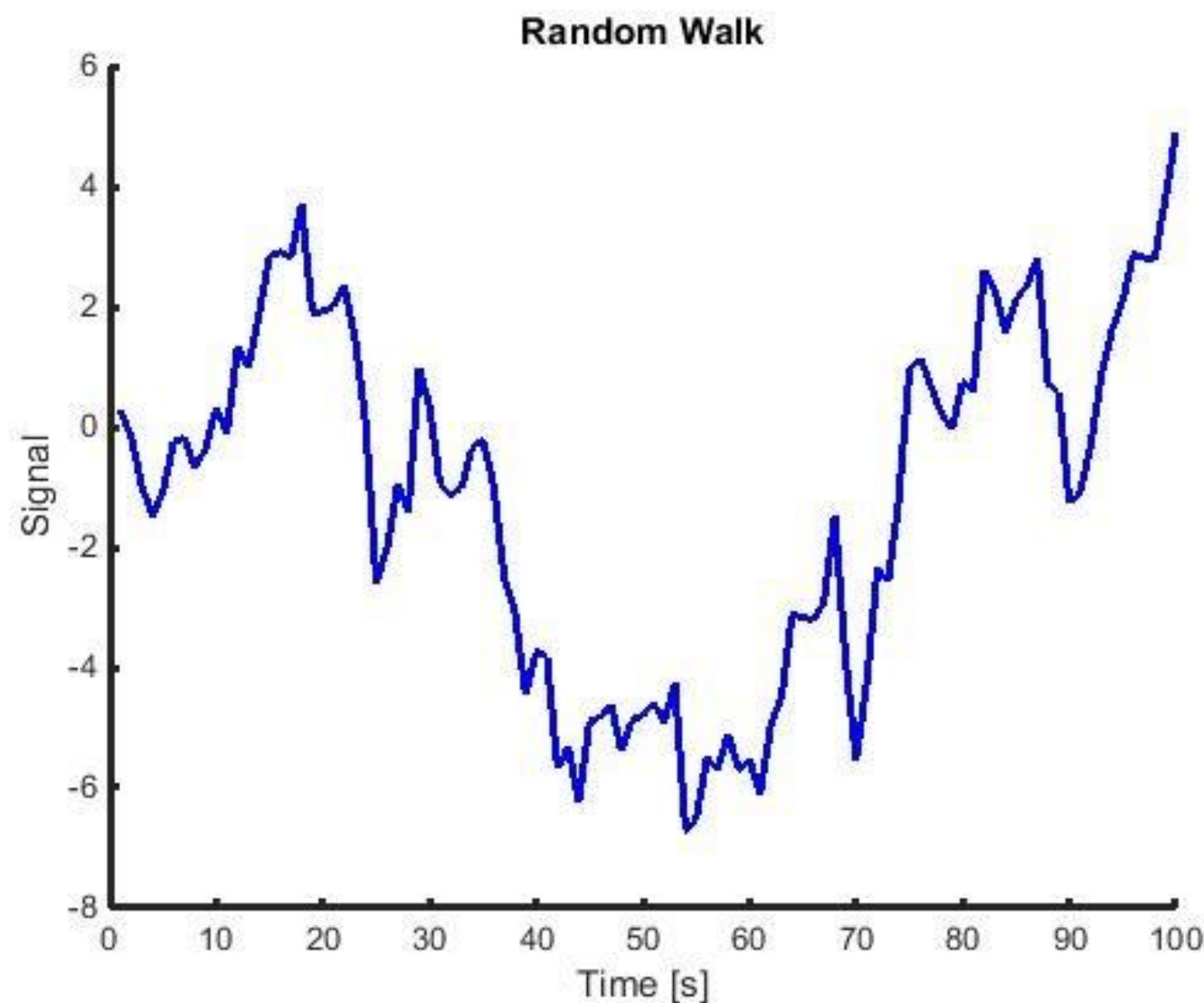
*Brownish motions / Wiener Process*

- We consider a random walk:  $W[n] = W[n - 1] + X[n]$

$$X[n] = \pm\sqrt{\delta}$$

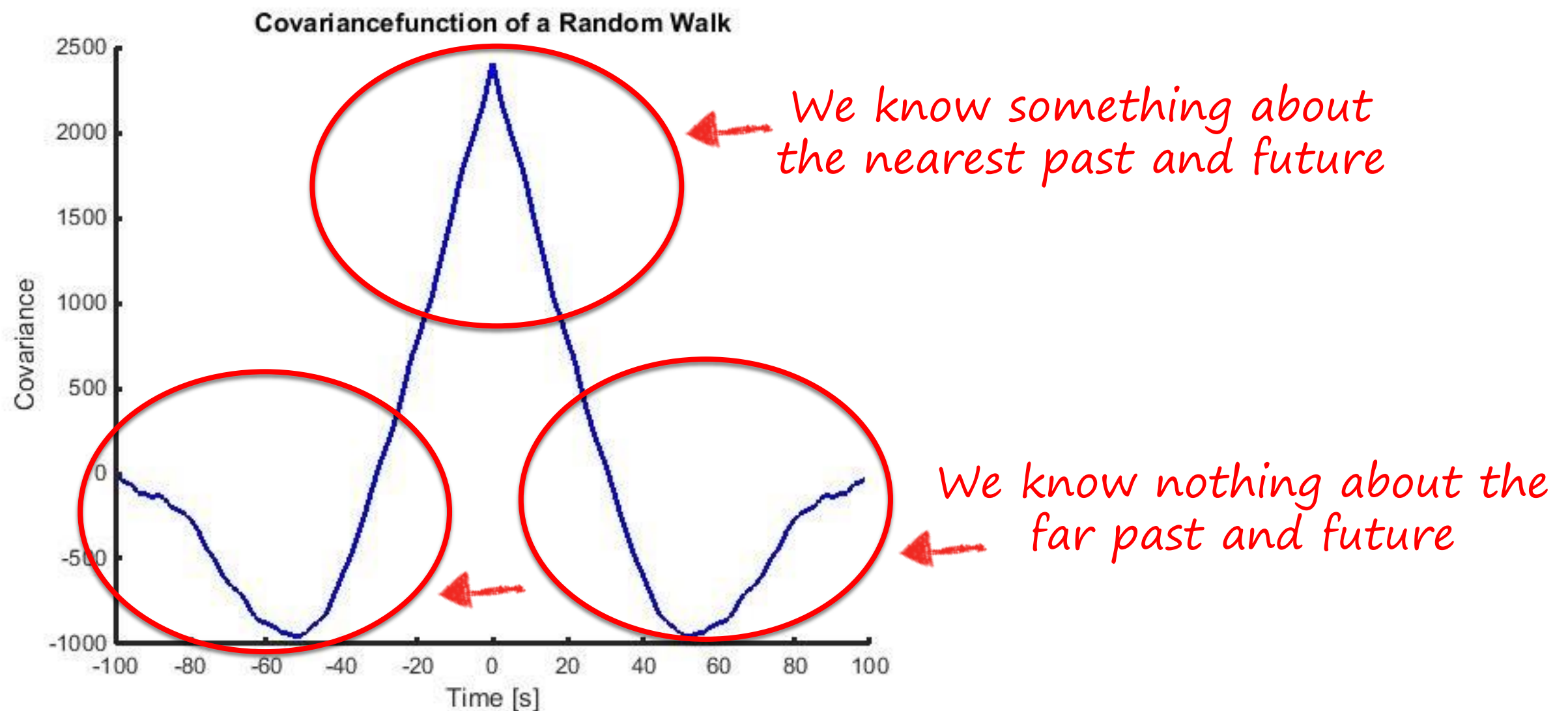
$$EX = 0$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \delta$$



# Random Walk – Example

- Sample of the autocovariance function:



*Tells about how much we can predict the future*

# Autocovariances

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- Autocovariance function:

*Autocorrelation without DC*

$$\begin{aligned} C_{XX}(t_1, t_2) &= E[(X(t_1) - \mu_X(t_1))(X(t_2) - \mu_X(t_2))^*] \\ &= R_{XX}(t_1, t_2) - \mu_X(t_1)\mu_X(t_2) \end{aligned}$$

Especially:  $C_{XX}(t, t) = E[(X(t) - \mu_X(t))^2] = E[X(t)^2] - E[X(t)]^2 = \sigma_X^2(t)$

- Autocorrelation coefficient:

$$r_{XX}(t_1, t_2) = \frac{C_{XX}(t_1, t_2)}{\sqrt{C_{XX}(t_1, t_1)C_{XX}(t_2, t_2)}}; \quad 0 \leq r_{XX}(t_1, t_2) \leq 1$$

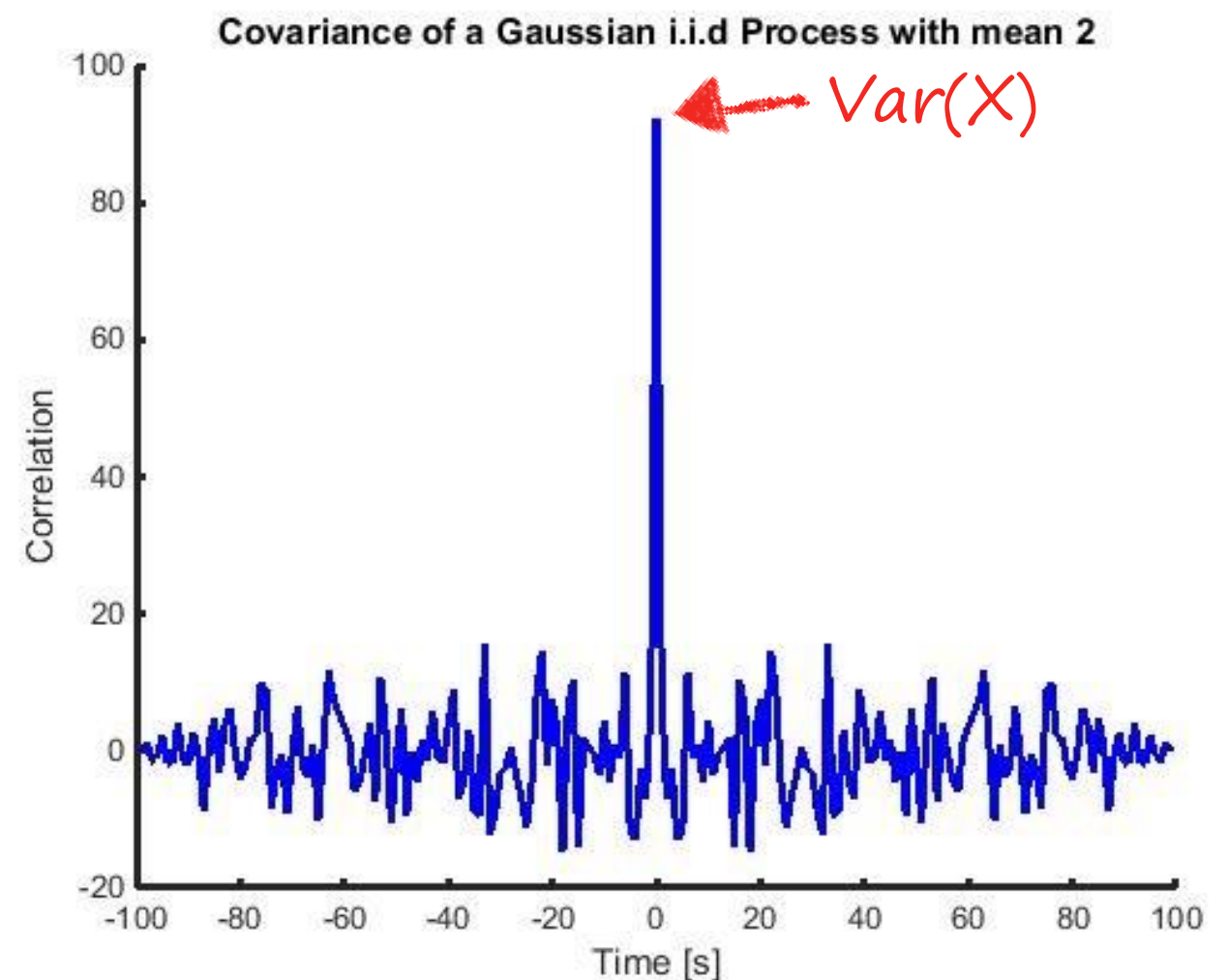
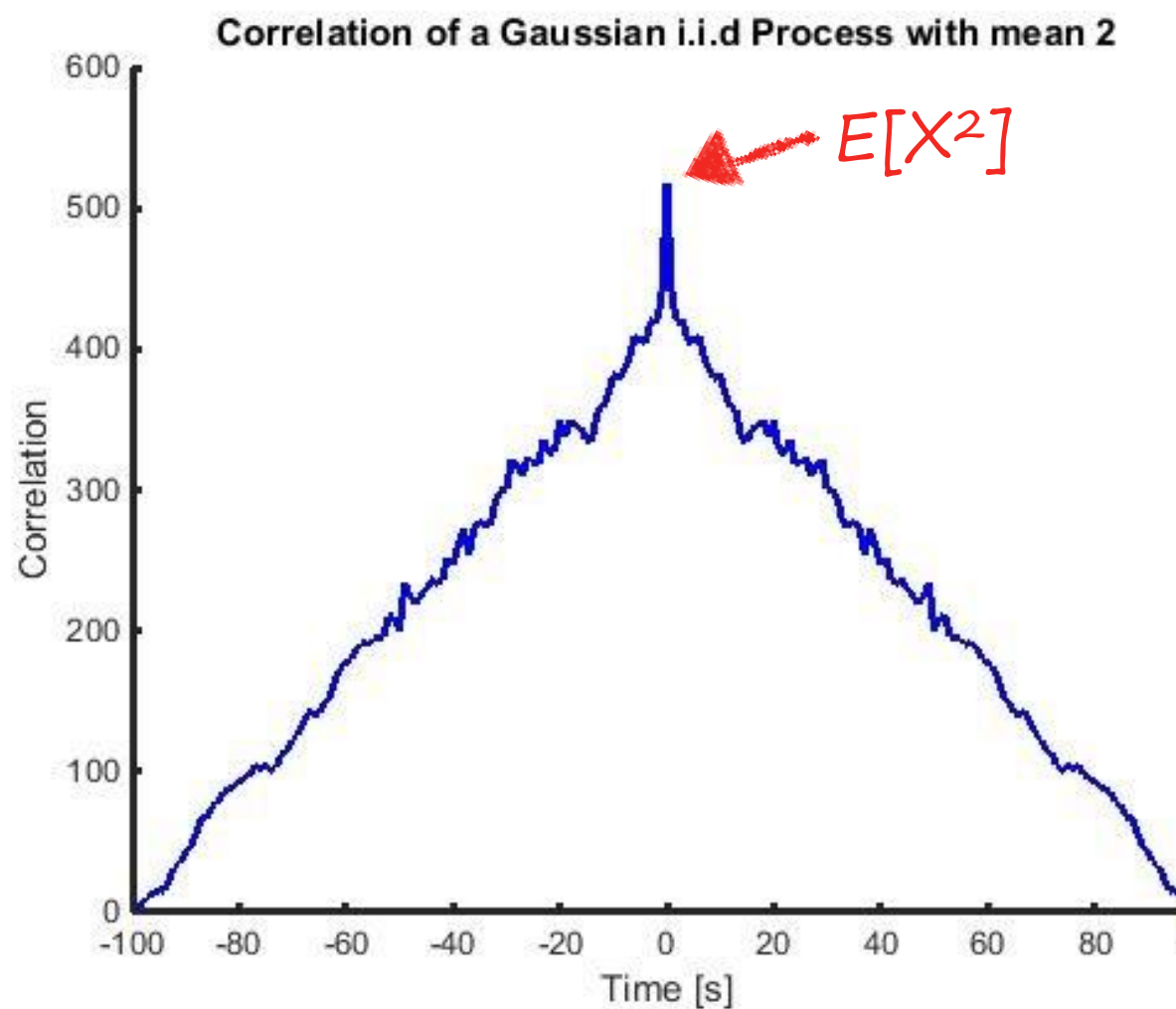
Especially:  $r_{XX}(t, t) = 1$  ( $X(t)$  is totally correlated to itself!)



# Autocovariances

*For i.i.d. Gaussian (stationary) noise*

- Autocorrelation and autocovariance



# Temporal Autocorrelation

*Temporal only looks at one realization of the stochastic process.*

- Temporal autocorrelation:

$$\mathcal{R}_{XX}(\tau) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) \cdot x(t + \tau) dt$$

*Convolution*

- If the process is ergodic the temporal autocorrelation is equal to the ensemble autocorrelation:

$$R_{XX}(\tau) = \mathcal{R}_{XX}(\tau)$$

*Ensemble*

*Temporal*

# Estimate Autocorrelation

*We only have  
measurements of one  
realization of  $X(t)$*

## Autocorrelation function:

- In practise, with respect to the lag:


*temporal*  $\mathcal{R}_{XX}(\tau) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) \cdot x(t + \tau) dt$



*N+1 measurements/samples*  $x(0), x(\Delta t), x(2\Delta t), \dots, x(N\Delta t)$

- The estimated autocorrelation function:

*^ = estimation*

$$\hat{R}_{XX}(n) = \frac{1}{N - n + 1} \sum_{k=0}^{N-n} x(k) \cdot x(k + n)$$

*Number of terms ( $T / \Delta t$ )* 

*t*  *t+τ* 

# Random Binary Noise – Example

- One measurement (5 samples) of a WSS and independent binary stochastic process  $X[n]$ :

$n$	0	1	2	3	4 = N
$X[n]$	1	0	1	1	0

- The estimated autocorrelation function:  $\hat{R}_{XX}(\tau) = \frac{1}{N - \tau + 1} \sum_{k=0}^{N-\tau} x(k) \cdot x(k + \tau)$

$\tau = 0$ :

$X[n]$	1	0	1	1	0
$X[n + 0]$	1	0	1	1	0

$\tau = 1$ :

$X[n]$	1	0	1	1	0
$X[n + 1]$	0	1	1	0	

$\tau = 2$ :

$X[n]$	1	0	1	1	0
$X[n + 2]$	1	1	0		

$\tau = 3$ :

$X[n]$	1	0	1	1	0
$X[n + 3]$	1	0			

$\tau = 4$ :

$X[n]$	1	0	1	1	0
$X[n + 4]$	0				

$$\hat{R}_{XX}(0) = \frac{1}{5} \sum_{k=0}^4 x(k) \cdot x(k) = \frac{1}{5} \cdot (1 + 0 + 1 + 1 + 0) = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\hat{R}_{XX}(1) = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=0}^3 x(k) \cdot x(k + 1) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot (0 + 0 + 1 + 0) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\hat{R}_{XX}(2) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=0}^2 x(k) \cdot x(k + 2) = \frac{1}{3} \cdot (1 + 0 + 0) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\hat{R}_{XX}(3) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^1 x(k) \cdot x(k + 3) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (1 + 0) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\hat{R}_{XX}(4) = \frac{1}{1} \sum_{k=0}^0 x(k) \cdot x(k + 4) = \frac{1}{1} \cdot (0) = 0$$



# Random Binary Noise – Example

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- Let a stochastic process be defined as:

$$X[n] = \begin{cases} 0 & p = 1/2 \\ 1 & p = 1/2 \end{cases} \sim \mathcal{U}[0,1] \text{ i.i.d.}$$

➤  $E[X[n]] = 1/2; \quad E[X^2[n]] = 1/2; \quad \text{Var}(X[n]) = \frac{1}{4}$

➤ WSS

➤ Ergodic

➤ Autocorrelation:

$$R_{XX}(\tau) = E[X[n]X[n+\tau]] = \begin{cases} E[X[n]^2] & ; \tau = 0 \\ E[X[n]] \cdot E[X[n+\tau]] & ; \tau \neq 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & ; \tau = 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & ; \tau \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

# White Gaussian Noise – Example

- Let a stochastic process be defined as:

$$W(t) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1) \text{ i.i.d.}$$

- $E[W(t)] = 0$ ;  $E[W^2(t)] = 1$ ;  $Var(W(t)) = 1$

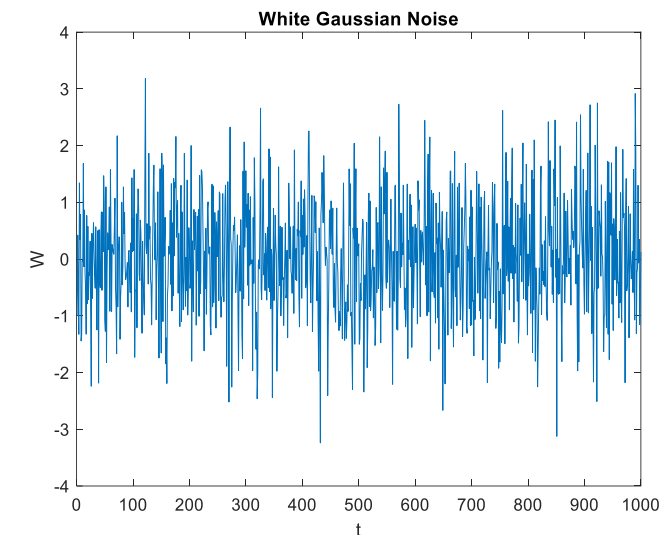
- WSS

- Ergodic

- Autocorrelation:

$$R_{WW}(t_1, t_2) = E[W(t_1) \cdot W(t_2)] = \begin{cases} E[W^2(t_1)] & t_1 = t_2 \\ E[W(t_1)] \cdot E[W(t_2)] & t_1 \neq t_2 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1 & \tau = t_1 - t_2 = 0 \\ 0 & \tau = t_1 - t_2 \neq 0 \end{cases} = R_{XX}(\tau)$$

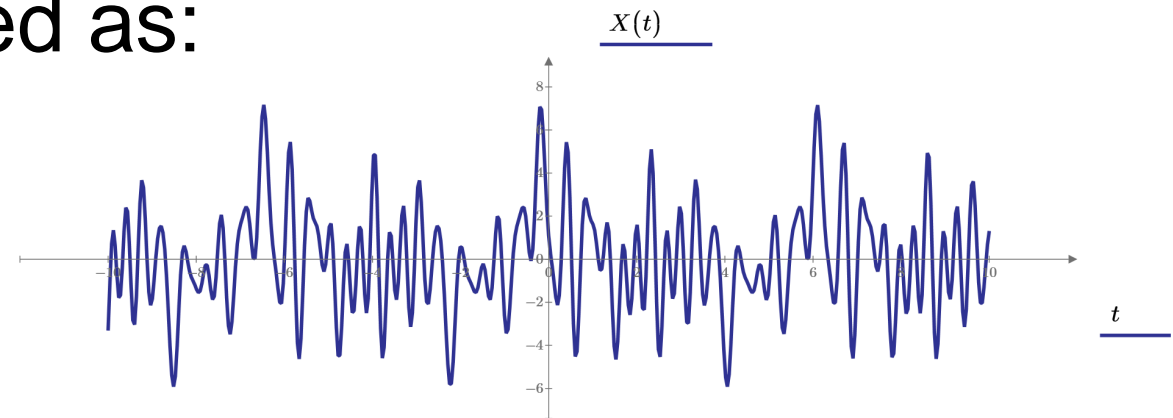


# Random Sinusoid – Example

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- Let a stochastic process be defined as:

$$X(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n A_i \cos(\omega_i t + \varphi_i)$$



where  $A_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$  i.i.d.,  $\varphi_i \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 2\pi)$  i.i.d. and  $\omega_i = i \cdot \omega_0$

- $E[X(t)] = 0$ ;  $E[X^2(t)] = \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2$ ;  $Var(X(t)) = \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2$
- WSS
- ÷ Ergodic

# Random Sinusoid – Example (cont'd)

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- Autocorrelation:

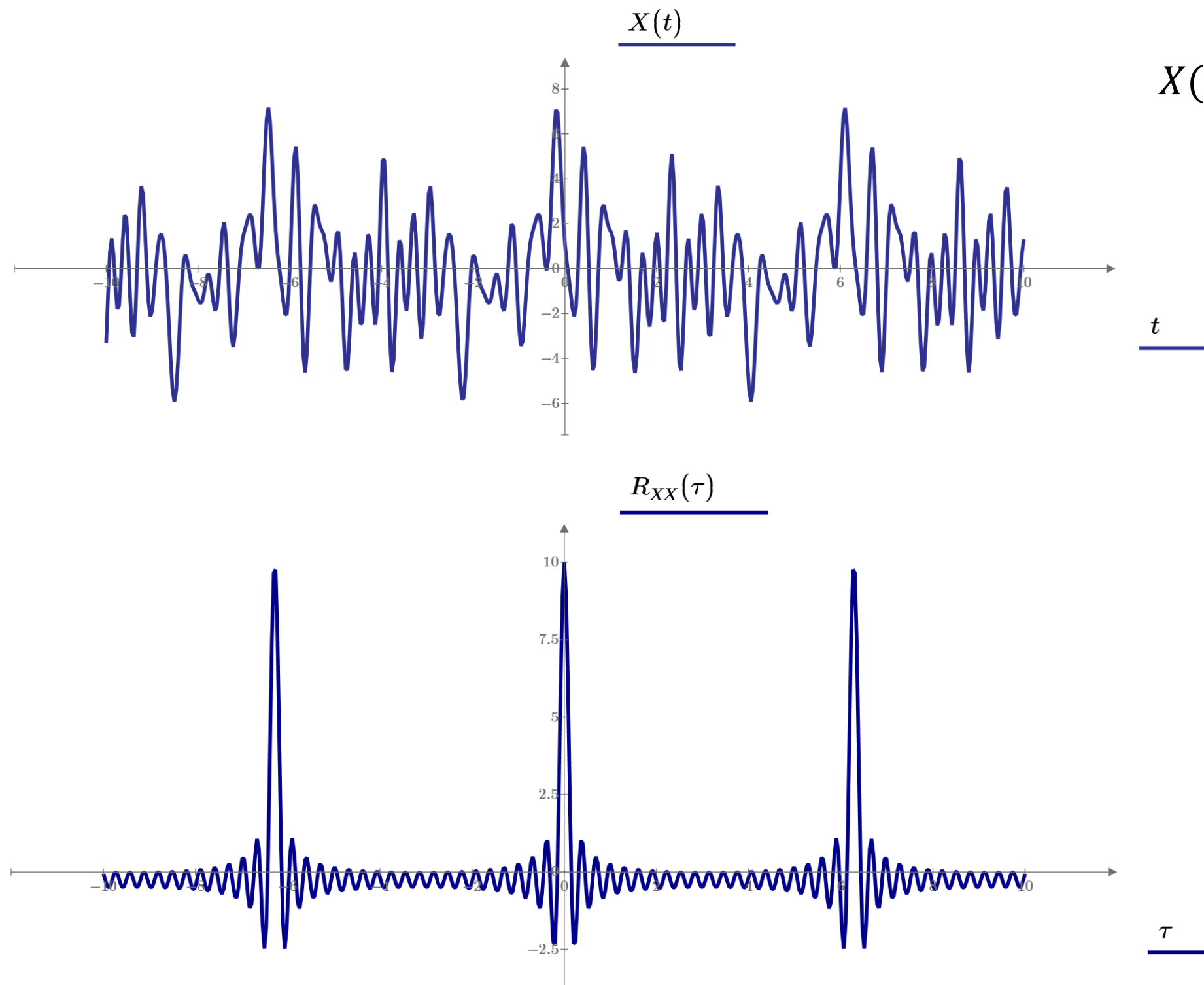
$$\begin{aligned} R_{XX}(\tau) &= E[X(t)X(t + \tau)] \\ &= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_i \cos(\omega_i t + \varphi_i) \cdot A_j \cos(\omega_j(t + \tau) + \varphi_j)\right] \end{aligned}$$

- Since  $A_i$  i.i.d. with  $E[A_i] = 0$ :  $i \neq j \Rightarrow E[A_i A_j] = 0$
- $$\begin{aligned} R_{XX}(\tau) &= \sum_{i=1}^n E[A_i^2] \cdot E[\cos(\omega_i t + \varphi_i) \cdot \cos(\omega_i(t + \tau) + \varphi_i)] \\ &= E[A_i^2] \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n E\left[\frac{1}{2} \cdot (\cos(\omega_i \tau) + \cos(\omega_i(2t + \tau) + 2\varphi_i))\right] \\ &= \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \cos(\omega_i \tau) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &[\text{Using: } \cos\theta_1 \cdot \cos\theta_2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + \cos(\theta_1 + \theta_2))] \end{aligned}$$
- Especially we have:  $R_{XX}(0) = n \frac{\sigma^2}{2}$



# Random Sinusoid – Example (cont'd)



$$X(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n A_i \cos(\omega_i t + \varphi_i)$$

$$A_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$\varphi_i \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 2\pi)$$

$$\omega_i = i \cdot \omega_0$$

$$\omega_0 = 1$$

$$\sigma^2 = 1$$

$$n = 20$$

$$R_{XX}(0) = n \frac{\sigma^2}{2} = 10$$

# Two Stochastic Processes

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- If we have two stochastic processes  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$ 
  - We can compare them by looking at the cross-correlation and cross-covariance:

*Cross-correlation*  $R_{XY}(t_1, t_2) = E[X(t_1)Y(t_2)^*]$

*Cross-covariance*  $C_{XY}(t_1, t_2) = E[X(t_1)Y(t_2)^*] - E[X(t_1)]E[Y(t_2)]$

*Ensemble means that it applied for the ensemble of the two processes*

# Ensemble Cross-correlation

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*Tells about the connection between two different processes*

- In general:

$$\begin{aligned} R_{XY}(t_1, t_2) &= E[X(t_1)Y(t_2)^*] \\ &= \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t_1) y(t_2)^* f_{X(t_1), Y(t_2)}(x(t_1), y(t_2)) dx(t_1) dy(t_2) \end{aligned}$$

- For two WSS stationary processes:

$$R_{XY}(t_1, t_2) = R_{XY}(t_1 + T, t_2 + T) = E[X(t_1 + T)Y(t_2 + T)^*]$$

- We rewrite to:  $R_{XY}(\tau) = E[X(t) \cdot Y(t + \tau)^*]$

# Cross-Correlation Functions

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- For Real WSS processes  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$  :

$$R_{XY}(\tau) = E[X(t)Y(t + \tau)]$$

- Properties of the cross-correlation function  $R_{XY}(\tau)$ :

- $R_{XY}(\tau) = R_{YX}(-\tau)$
- $|R_{XY}(\tau)| \leq \sqrt{R_{XX}(0)R_{YY}(0)} = \sqrt{E[X^2]E[Y^2]}$
- $|R_{XY}(\tau)| \leq \frac{1}{2} (R_{XX}(0) + R_{YY}(0))$
- If  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$  are orthogonal, then  $R_{XY}(\tau) = 0$
- If  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$  are independent, then  $R_{XY}(\tau) = \mu_X \cdot \mu_Y$

Notice: If  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$  are WSS, and  $X(t)$  are independent of  $Y(t)$  then:

$$R_{XY}(\tau) = E[X(t)Y(t + \tau)] = E[X(t)] \cdot E[Y(t + \tau)]$$

*Temporal only looks at one realization  
of the two stochastic processes.*

# Temporal Cross-correlation

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- The temporal cross-correlation between  $X$  and  $Y$ :

$$\mathcal{R}_{XY}(\tau) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) \cdot y(t + \tau) dt$$

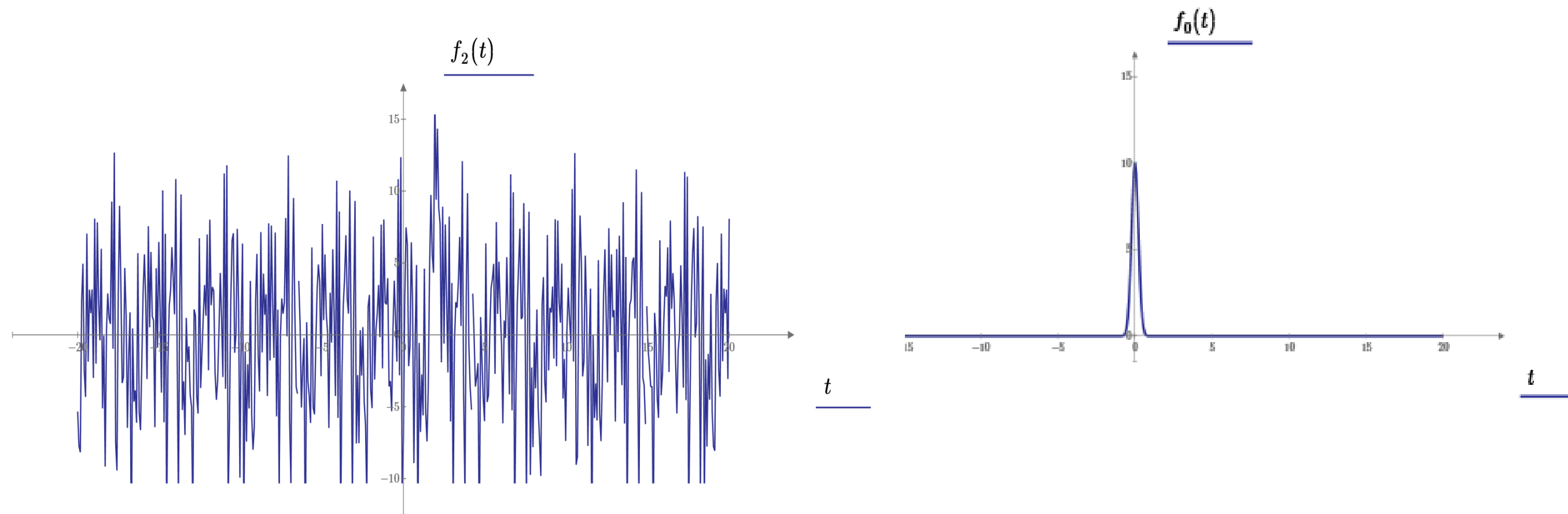
*Convolution*

- If the two processes are ergodic the temporal cross-correlation is equal to the ensemble cross-correlation:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Ensemble} \longrightarrow & \begin{array}{l} R_{XY}(\tau) = \mathcal{R}_{XY}(\tau) \\ R_{YX}(\tau) = \mathcal{R}_{YX}(\tau) \end{array} & \longleftarrow \text{Temporal} \end{array}$$

# Cross-correlation – Uncalibrated noisy signal

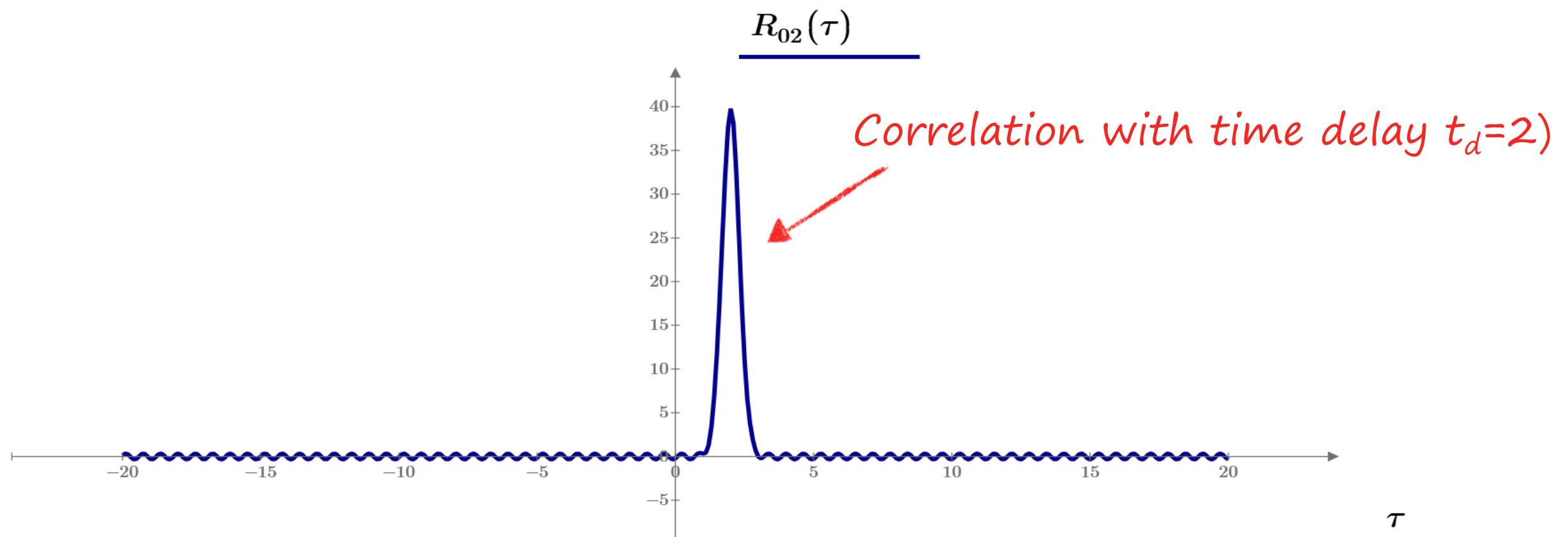
- Comparing two signals:
  - An uncalibrated and noisy signal:  $f_2(t)$
  - Reference signal:  $f_0(t) = 10 \cdot e^{-10t^2}$





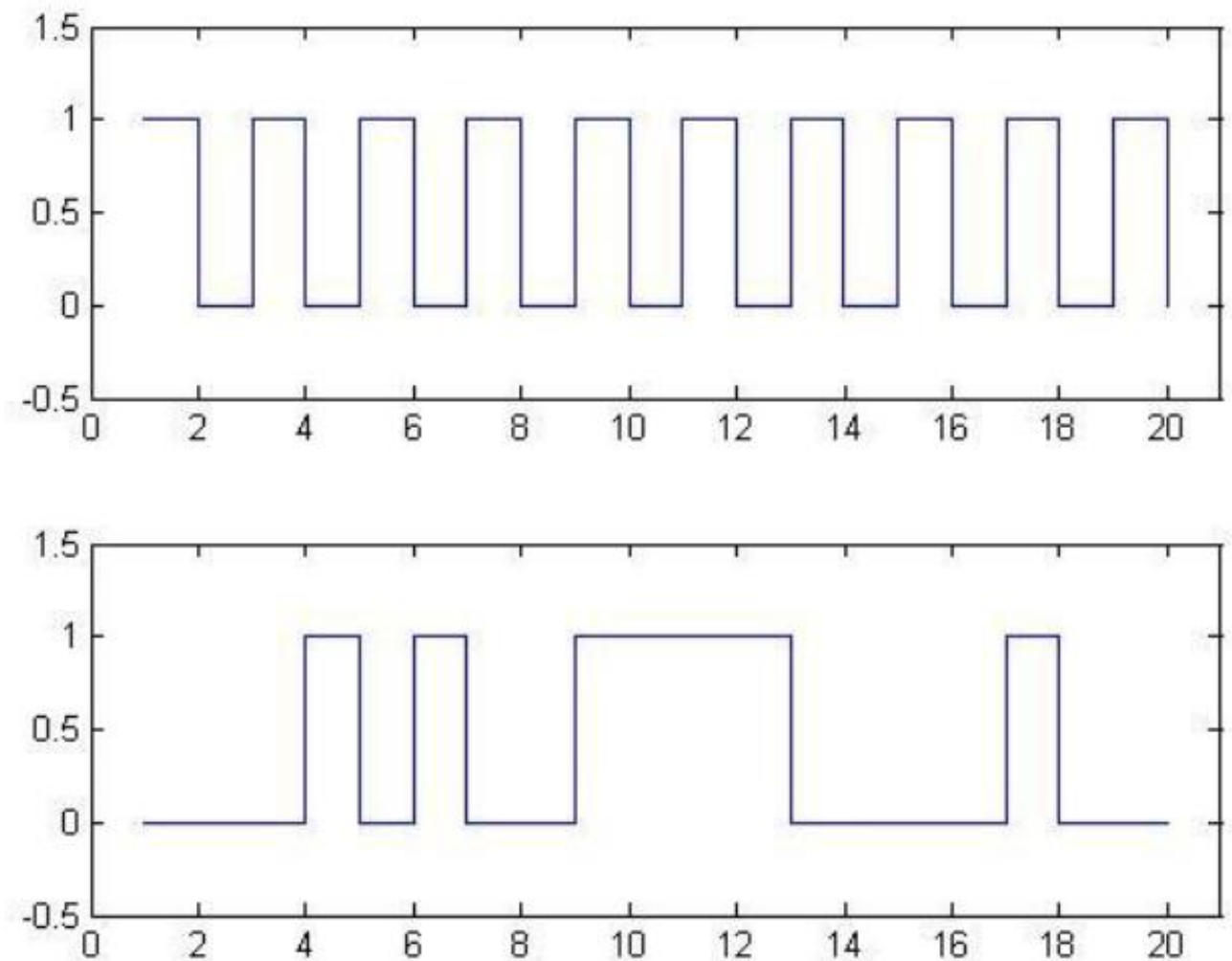
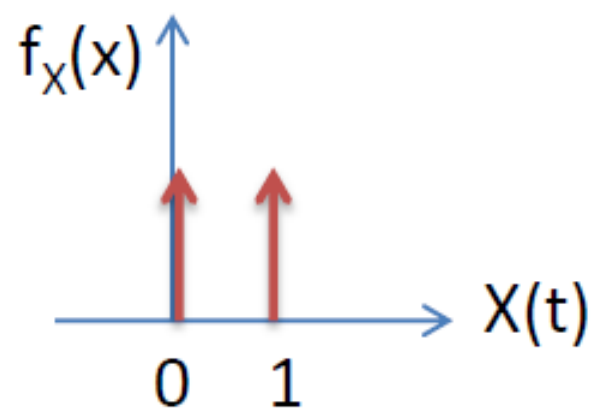
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- Comparing two signals:
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  - Reference signal:  $f_0(t) = 10 \cdot e^{-10t^2}$
- Cross-correlation:  $R_{02}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_0(t) \cdot f_2(t + \tau) dt$



# Deterministic vs. Stochastic signal

The probability mass function:



*The two random processes have the same pmf.*

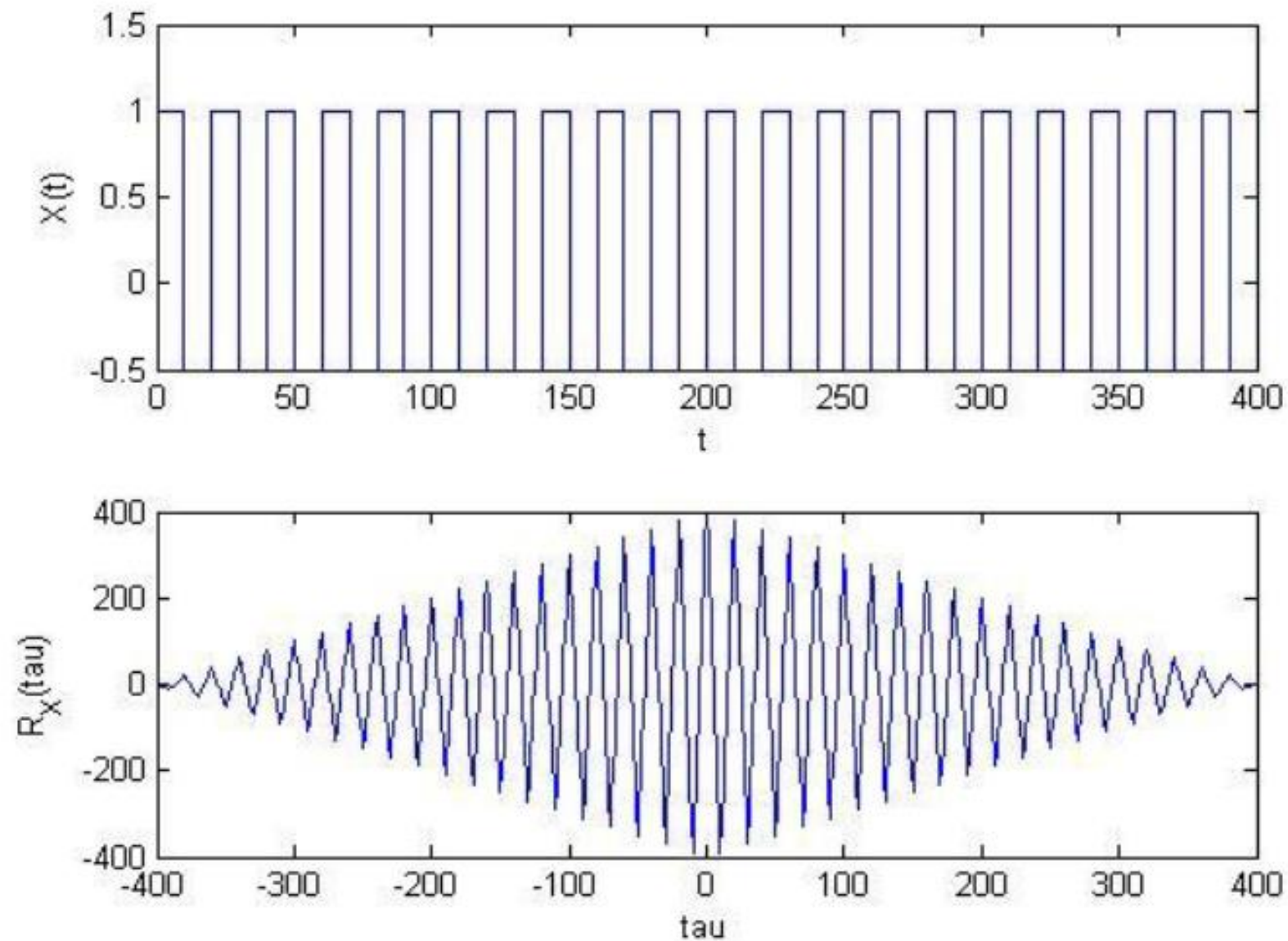
# Deterministic signal

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Periodic signal



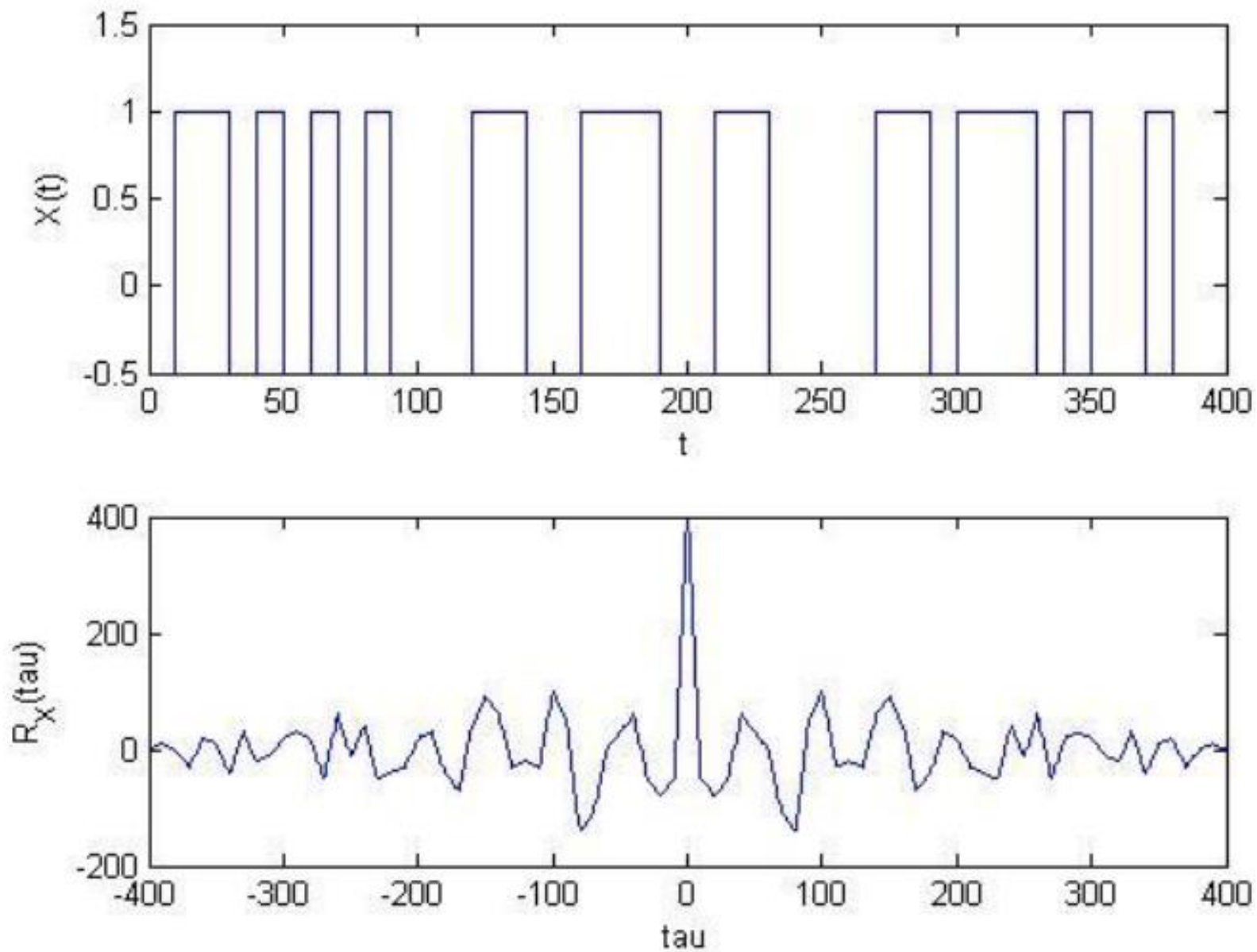
$R_{XX}$  periodic



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Rx = conv(x, flip1r(x));
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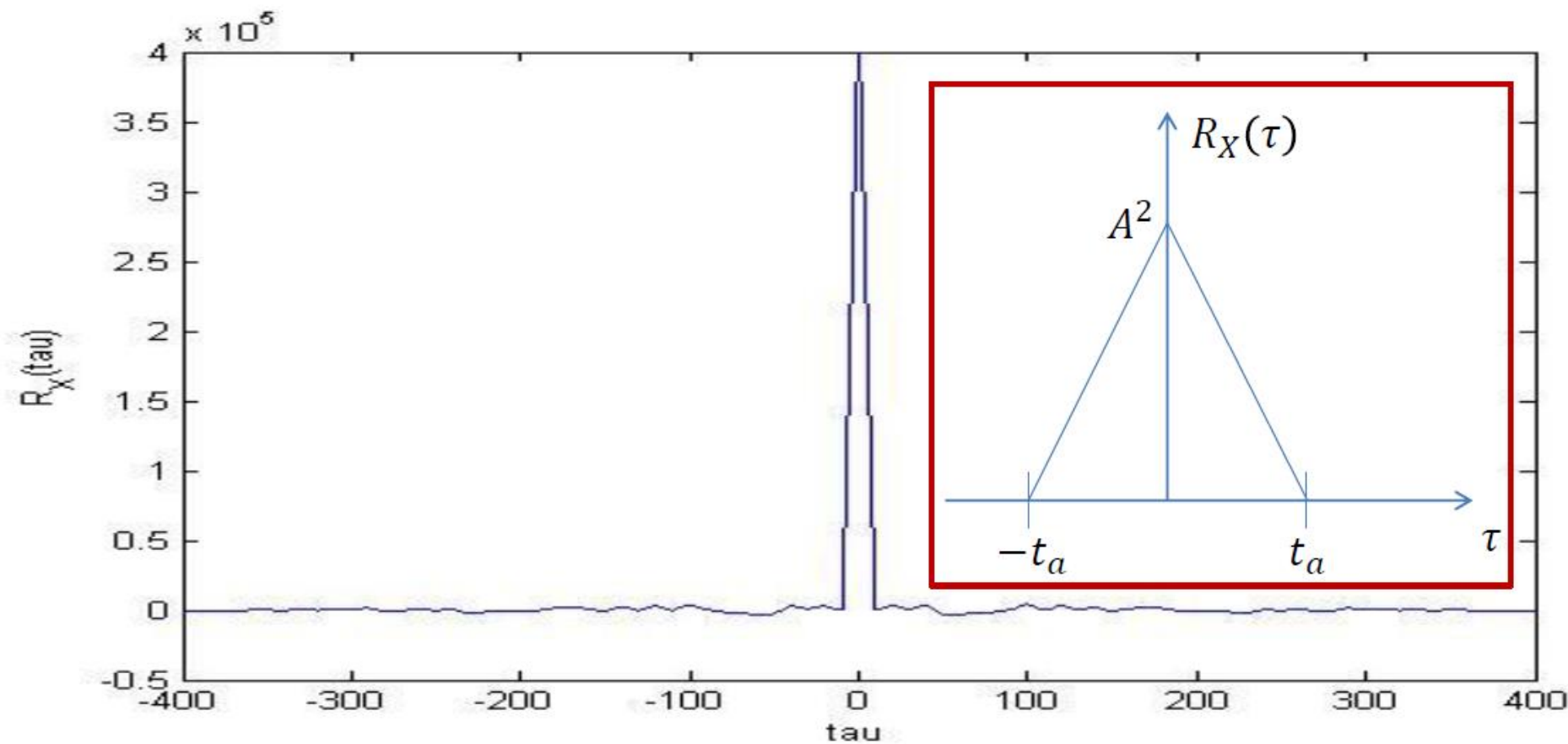
# Stochastic signal *Also called Non-deterministic*

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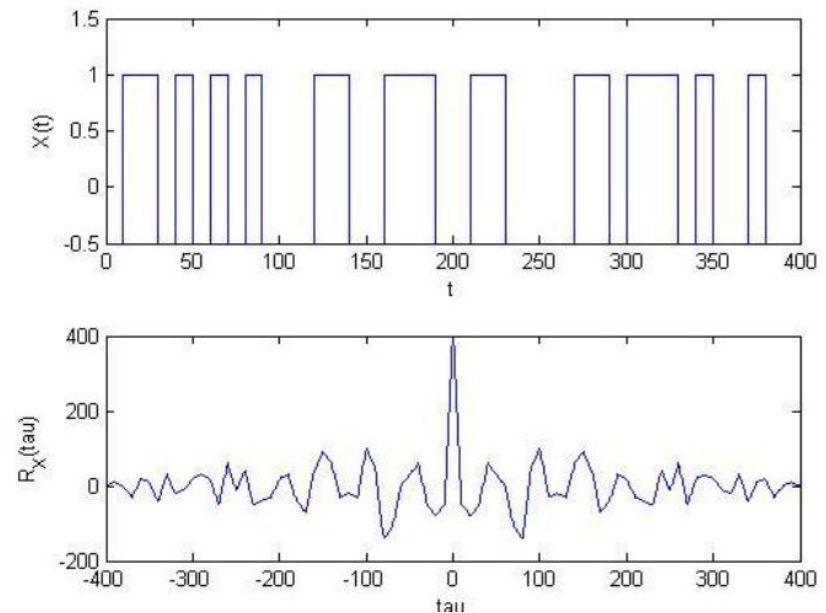


$$R_X = \text{conv}(x, \text{fliplr}(x));$$

# Autocorrelation for Stochastic signal



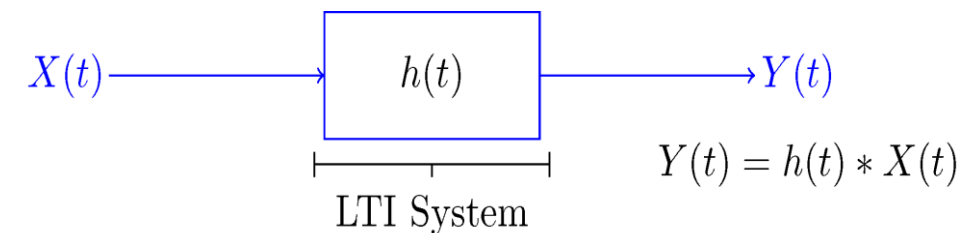
*Autocorrelation function averaged over 1000 simulations.*



# Power Spectral Density (psd)

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- Linear Time-Invariant (LTI) Systems
  - Signal analysis  $\rightarrow$  Frequency domain:
    - Deterministic signals  $f(t) \rightarrow$  Fourier-transformation  $\mathcal{F}(f(t))$
    - Random signals  $X(t) \rightarrow$  Fourier-transformation
  - For Real WSS:
  - Properties of the autocorrelation function  $R_{XX}(\tau)$ :
    - If  $X(t)$  changes fast, then  $R_{XX}(\tau)$  decreases fast from  $\tau = 0$
    - If  $X(t)$  changes slowly, then  $R_{XX}(\tau)$  decreases slowly from  $\tau = 0$
    - If  $X(t)$  is periodic, then  $R_{XX}(\tau)$  is also periodic
- $\rightarrow R_{XX}(\tau)$  contain information about the frequency content in  $X(t)$





# Power Spectral Density (psd)

- WSS random signals  $X(t)$ :
- Power Spectral Density Function (psd):

*Fourier-transform*

$$\text{➤ } S_{XX}(f) = \mathcal{F}(R_{XX}(\tau)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{XX}(\tau) e^{-j \cdot 2\pi f \cdot \tau} d\tau$$

*Invers Fourier-transform*

$$\text{➤ } R_{XX}(\tau) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(S_{XX}(f)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{XX}(f) e^{j \cdot 2\pi f \cdot \tau} df$$

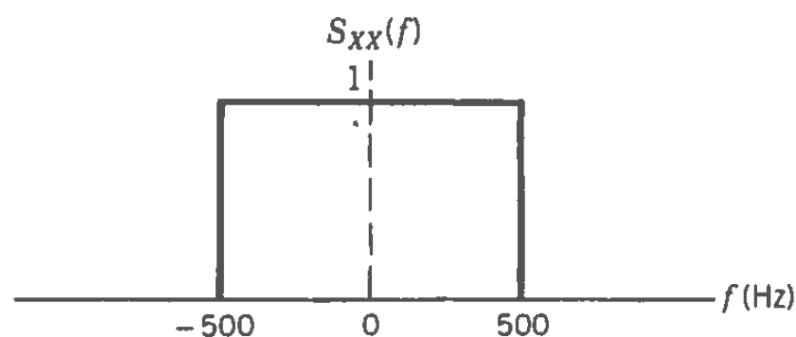


Figure 3.19a Psd of a lowpass random process  $X(t)$ .

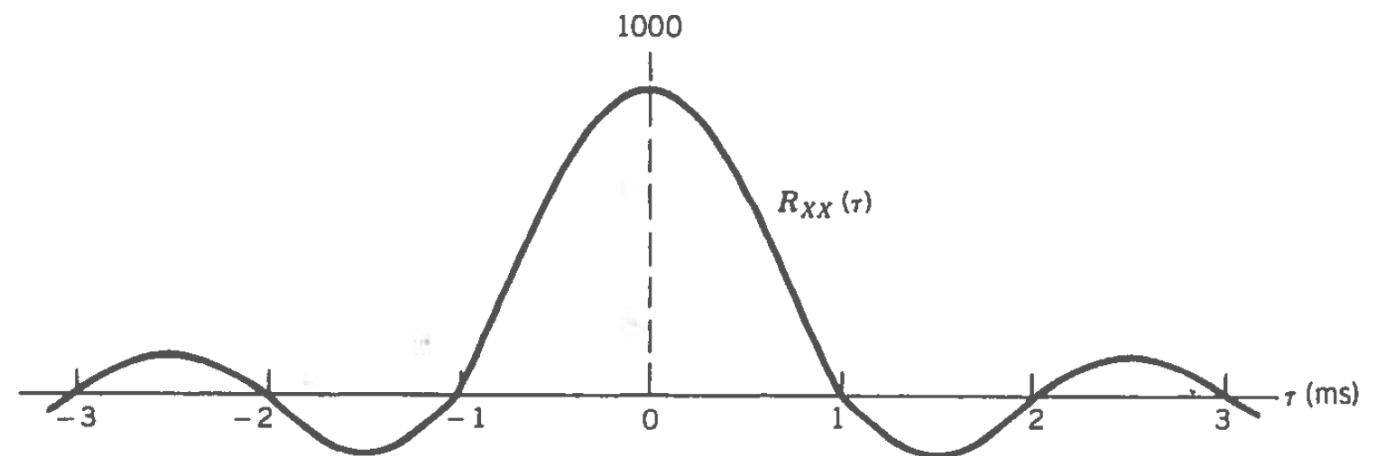


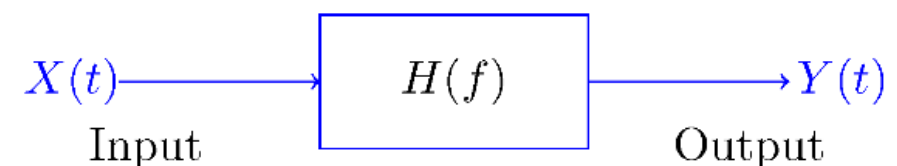
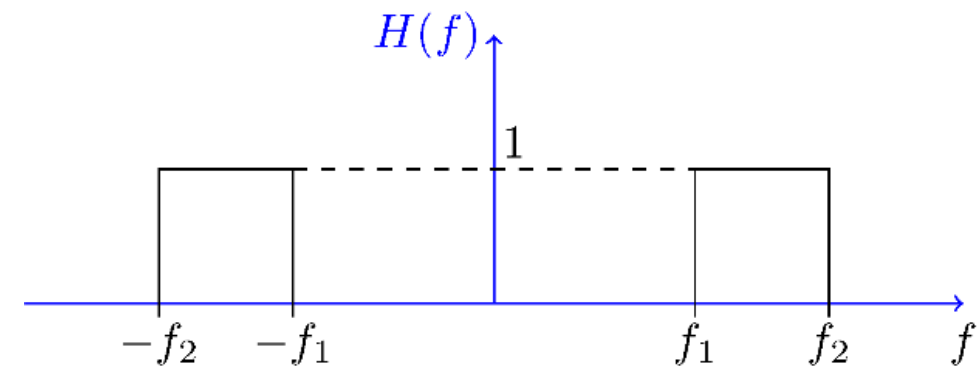
Figure 3.19b Autocorrelation function of  $X(t)$ .

# Power Spectral Density (psd)

- Properties of psd  $S_{XX}(f) = \mathcal{F}(R_{XX}(\tau))$  (spectrum of  $X(t)$ ):
  - $S_{XX}(f) \in \mathbb{R}$
  - $S_{XX}(f) \geq 0$
  - If  $X(t) \in \mathbb{R}$ :  $R_{XX}(-\tau) = R_{XX}(\tau)$  and  $S_{XX}(-f) = S_{XX}(f) \rightarrow$  even functions
  - If  $X(t)$  periodic components:  $S_{XX}(f)$  will have impulses ( $\delta$ -functions)

*Impulse response*

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$$S_{YY}(f) = S_{XX}(f) \cdot |H(f)|^2$$

# Power Spectral Density (psd)

- Deterministic signals  $x(t)$ :

➤ Average power:  $P_X = \langle x(t)^2 \rangle = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t)^2 dt$

i.e. if  $x(t) = V(t)$  (voltage signal)  $\rightarrow P_X =$  power in  $1\Omega$ -resistor

*Time-average*

- Stochastic WSS signals  $X(t)$ :

➤ Average power:  $P_X = E[X(t)^2] = R_{XX}(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{XX}(f) df$

*Average power in  $X(t)$*

- $[S_{XX}(f)] = \frac{W}{Hz} \rightarrow$  Distribution of power with frequency (power spectral density of the stationary random process  $X(t)$ )

➤  $P_X[f_1, f_2] = 2 \int_{f_1}^{f_2} S_{XX}(f) df$

$\rightarrow$  Power in the frequency-interval  $[f_1, f_2]$

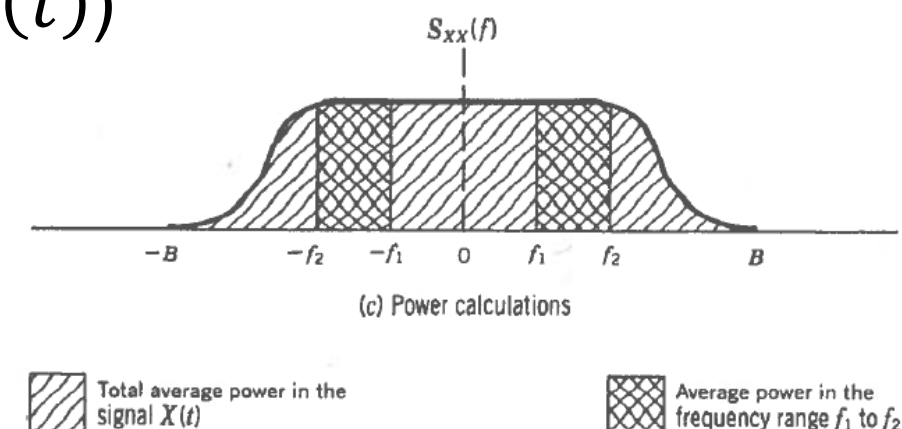


Figure from "Random Signals"

# Power Spectral Density – White Gaussian Noise

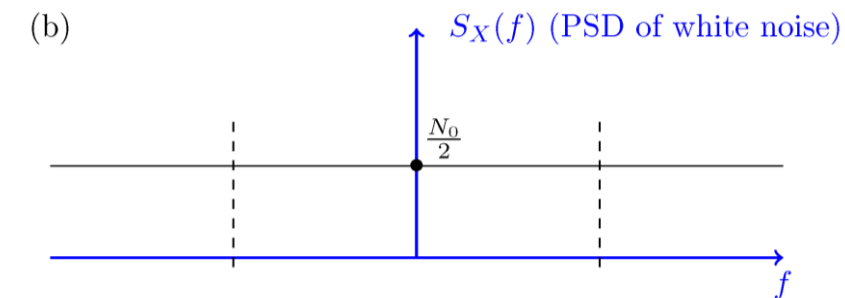
- White Gaussian Noise ( $\mu = 0$ ):

- $S_{XX}(f) = \frac{N_0}{2}$  for all  $f$

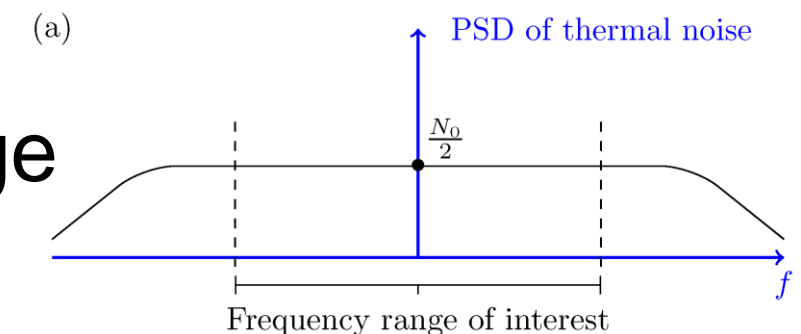
- $R_{XX}(\tau) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(S_{XX}(f)) = \frac{N_0}{2} \cdot \delta(\tau) = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{for } \tau = 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } \tau \neq 0 \end{cases}$

- $X(t_1)$  and  $X(t_2)$  uncorrelated/independent for  $t_1 \neq t_2$

- $P_X = E[X(t)^2] = R_{XX}(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{XX}(f) df = \infty$



- Thermal Noise  
~ White Gaussian Noise in frequency range



# Words and Concepts to Know

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Cross-correlation

psd

Power Spectral Density

Random walk

Deterministic

Cross-covariance

Autocorrelation

Temporal autocorrelation

Temporal Autocovariance

Autocorrelation Coefficient

Temporal cross-correlation

White Gaussian Noise

Auto-covariance

Non-deterministic