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TIME SERIES ANALYSIS EXERCISES STOCHASTIC PROCESSES 1

- 1. (a) Define the notion of **probability space**.
 - (b) Define the notion of real-valued **stochastic process** on a probability space.
- 2. Answer by TRUE, FALSE or UNCERTAIN to each one of the following statements. Justify briefly your answer. (Maximum: one page per question.)
 - (1) Any strictly stationary process is in L_2 .
 - (2) Any strictly stationary process is also second-order stationary.
 - (3) Any stationary process of order 3 is also stationary of order 2.
 - (4) Any asymptotically stationary process of order 3 is also asymptotically stationary process of order 2.
 - (5) A white noise is a stationary process of order 4.
- 3. Let $\gamma(k)$ the autocovariance function of second-order stationary process on the integers. Prove that:

(a)
$$\gamma(0) = Var(X_t)$$
 et $\gamma(k) = \gamma(-k)$, $\forall k \in \mathbb{Z}$;

- (b) $|\gamma(k)| \leq \gamma(0)$, $\forall k \in \mathbb{Z}$;
- (c) the function $\gamma(k)$ is positive semi-definite.
- 4. Consider a process that follows the following model:

$$X_t = \sum_{j=1}^m [A_j \cos(\nu_j t) + B_j \sin(\nu_j t)], \ t \in \mathbb{Z},$$

where ν_1, \ldots, ν_m are distinct constants on the interval $[0, 2\pi)$ and $A_j, B_j, j = 1, \ldots, m$, are random variables in L_2 , such that

$$E(A_j) = E(B_j) = 0 , E(A_j^2) = E(B_j^2) = \sigma_j^2 , j = 1, ..., n ,$$

$$E(A_j A_k) = E(B_j B_k) = 0, \text{ for } j \neq k ,$$

$$E(A_i B_k) = 0, \forall j, k .$$

- (a) Show that this process is second-order stationary.
- (b) For the case where m=1, show that this process is deterministic [Hint: consider the regression of X_t on $\cos(\nu_1 t)$ and $\sin(\nu_1 t)$ based two observations.]