

- (1) (6%) Cars arrive at a bridge entrance according to a Poisson process of rate $\lambda = 15$ cars per minute.

- (a) (2%) Find the probability that in a given 4 minute period there are 3 car arrivals during the first minute and 2 car arrivals in the last minute.

Sol: Let $N(\mu, t)$ be the Poisson process. Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \Pr\{N(\mu, 1) = 3, N(\mu, 4) - N(\mu, 3) = 2\} \\
 &= \Pr\{N(\mu, 1) = 3\} \Pr\{N(\mu, 4) - N(\mu, 3) = 2\} \\
 & \quad (\text{because of independent increments}) \\
 &= \Pr\{N(\mu, 1) = 3\} \Pr\{N(\mu, 1) = 2\} \\
 & \quad (\text{because of stationary increments}) \\
 &= \left(e^{-15} \frac{15^3}{3!}\right) \left(e^{-15} \frac{15^2}{2!}\right) \\
 &= e^{-30} \frac{15^5}{12}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (4%) Find the mean and variance of the time of the tenth car arrival, given that the time of the fifth car arrival is T minutes.

Sol: Let $S_n(\mu)$ be the n th arrival time and $T_n(\mu)$ be the n th interarrival time. Thus, $S_n(\mu) = \sum_{k=1}^n T_k(\mu)$. Now,

$$E\{S_{10}(\mu) | S_5(\mu) = T\} = E\left\{T + \sum_{k=6}^{10} T_k(\mu)\right\} = T + \frac{5}{\lambda} = T + \frac{1}{3}$$

$$Var\{S_{10}(\mu) | S_5(\mu) = T\} = Var\left\{T + \sum_{k=6}^{10} T_k(\mu)\right\} = \frac{5}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{45}.$$

- (2) (4%) Consider a linear and time-invariant system with impulse response $h(t)$, input process $X(\mu, t)$, and output process $Y(\mu, t)$. Show that if $h(t) = 0$ outside the time interval $(0, T)$ and $X(\mu, t)$ is a white noise with mean zero, then $R_Y(t_1, t_2) = 0$ for $|t_1 - t_2| > T$.

Sol: Since the considered system is linear and time-invariant, $Y(\mu, t)$ is given by $Y(\mu, t) = \int_0^T X(\mu, t - \tau)h(\tau)d\tau$. Therefore, when $|t_1 - t_2| > T$, $R_Y(t_1, t_2)$ is derived as

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_Y(t_1, t_2) &= E\{Y(\mu, t_1)Y(\mu, t_2)\} \\
 &= E\left\{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\mu, t_1 - \tau_1)h(\tau_1)X(\mu, t_2 - \tau_2)h(\tau_2)d\tau_2d\tau_1\right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha \delta(t_1 - \tau_1 - t_2 + \tau_2) h(\tau_1) h(\tau_2) d\tau_2 d\tau_1 \\
&= \alpha \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau_1) h(\tau_1 + t_2 - t_1) d\tau_1 \\
&= \alpha \int_0^T h(\tau_1) h(\tau_1 + t_2 - t_1) d\tau_1 \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

where the last equality stems from the fact that $|t_1 - t_2| > T$ and thus $h(\tau_1)$ and $h(\tau_1 + t_2 - t_1)$ can not be nonzero at the same time.

- (3) (4%) Consider the wide-sense stationary real-valued random process $X(\mu, t)$ which is defined in the time interval $(-1, 1)$, and has mean $E\{X(\mu, t)\} = m$ and autocorrelation $R_X(\tau) = m^2 + \cos(\pi\tau)$, where m is a real constant. Find the Karhunen-Loève expansion of $X(\mu, t)$ in the interval $(-1, 1)$.

Sol: Let $C_X(\tau)$ be the autocovariance of $X(\mu, t)$. Then, $C_X(\tau) = R_X(\tau) - m^2 = \cos(\pi\tau)$. Also, let $\phi_n(t)$ and λ_n be the n th eigenfunction and eigenvalue, respectively, of $C_X(\tau)$ for $n = 0, 1, \dots$. Then, $\{\phi_n(t)\}$ and $\{\lambda_n\}$ are the solution to

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_{-1}^1 C_X(t - \tau) \phi_n(\tau) d\tau = \lambda_n \phi_n(t) \\
\Rightarrow &\int_{-1}^1 \cos(\pi(t - \tau)) \phi_n(\tau) d\tau = \lambda_n \phi_n(t) \\
\Rightarrow &\lambda_n \phi_n(t) = \cos(\pi t) \int_{-1}^1 \cos(\pi\tau) \phi_n(\tau) d\tau \\
&\quad + \sin(\pi t) \int_{-1}^1 \sin(\pi\tau) \phi_n(\tau) d\tau \tag{1}
\end{aligned}$$

for $-1 < t < 1$. From (1), it is straightforward to observe that $X(\mu, t) - m$ in the interval $(-1, 1)$ can be expanded by

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_0 = 0 \text{ and } \phi_0(t) = 1/\sqrt{2}, & -1 < t < 1 \\ \lambda_1 = 1 \text{ and } \phi_1(t) = \cos(\pi t), & -1 < t < 1 \\ \lambda_2 = 1 \text{ and } \phi_2(t) = \sin(\pi t), & -1 < t < 1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_{2k+1} = 0 \text{ and } \phi_{2k+1}(t) = \cos((k+1)\pi t), & -1 < t < 1 \\ \lambda_{2k+2} = 0 \text{ and } \phi_{2k+2}(t) = \sin((k+1)\pi t), & -1 < t < 1 \end{cases}$$

for a positive integer k . Therefore, the Karhunen-Loève expansion of $X(\mu, t) - m$ in the interval $(-1, 1)$ is given by

$$X(\mu, t) - m = a(\mu)\phi_1(t) + b(\mu)\phi_2(t)$$

where $a(\mu) \triangleq \int_{-1}^1 X(\mu, t)\phi_1(t)dt$ and $b(\mu) \triangleq \int_{-1}^1 X(\mu, t)\phi_2(t)dt$ with $E\{a(\mu)\} = E\{b(\mu)\} = 0$, $E\{a^2(\mu)\} = 1$, $E\{b^2(\mu)\} = 1$, and $Cov\{a(\mu), b(\mu)\} = 0$. Thus, the Karhunen-Loève expansion of $X(\mu, t)$ in the interval $(-1, 1)$ is given by

$$X(\mu, t) = \sqrt{2}m\phi_0(t) + a(\mu)\phi_1(t) + b(\mu)\phi_2(t).$$

- (4) (6%, 2% each) Let $X(\mu, t) \triangleq \cos(2\pi f_1 t + \theta(\mu))$ and $Y(\mu, t) \triangleq \cos(2\pi f_2 t + \phi(\mu))$ where $f_1 > f_2 > 0$, $\theta(\mu)$ and $\phi(\mu)$ are statistically independent and identically distributed random variables with the identical uniform density over $[0, 2\pi)$. Also, let $\hat{X}(\mu, t)$ and $\hat{Y}(\mu, t)$ be the Hilbert transforms of $X(\mu, t)$ and $Y(\mu, t)$, respectively. Answer the following sub-questions.

- (a) Derive the power spectral densities of $\hat{X}(\mu, t)$ and $\hat{Y}(\mu, t)$.

Sol: Since $\hat{X}(\mu, t)$ and $\hat{Y}(\mu, t)$ can be created by passing $X(\mu, t)$ and $Y(\mu, t)$ through a linear and time-invariant system with frequency response $H(f) = -j \operatorname{sgn}(f)$, respectively, the power spectral densities of $\hat{X}(\mu, t)$ and $\hat{Y}(\mu, t)$ are given by

$$S_{\hat{X}}(f) = S_X(f)|H(f)|^2 = S_X(f)|-j \operatorname{sgn}(f)|^2 = S_X(f) \text{ and } S_{\hat{Y}}(f) = S_Y(f).$$

Moreover, because the autocorrelation functions $R_X(\tau)$ and $R_Y(\tau)$ are given by

$$\begin{aligned} R_X(\tau) &= E\{\cos(2\pi f_1(t + \tau) + \theta(\mu)) \cos(2\pi f_1 t + \theta(\mu))\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\pi f_1 \tau) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$R_Y(\tau) = \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\pi f_2 \tau),$$

$S_X(f)$ and $S_Y(f)$ are obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} S_X(f) &= \mathcal{F}\{R_X(\tau)\} \\ &= \frac{\delta(f - f_1) + \delta(f + f_1)}{4} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} S_Y(f) &= \mathcal{F}\{R_Y(\tau)\} \\ &= \frac{\delta(f - f_2) + \delta(f + f_2)}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get $S_{\hat{X}}(f) = \frac{\delta(f-f_1)+\delta(f+f_1)}{4}$ and $S_{\hat{Y}}(f) = \frac{\delta(f-f_2)+\delta(f+f_2)}{4}$.

- (b) Determine whether $\hat{X}(\mu, t)$ and $Y(\mu, t)$ for a fixed t are orthogonal, i.e., whether $E\{\hat{X}(\mu, t)Y(\mu, t)\}$ is zero or not.

Sol: Since $\theta(\mu)$ and $\phi(\mu)$ are statistically independent, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E\{\hat{X}(\mu, t)Y(\mu, t)\} &= E\{\hat{X}(\mu, t)\}E\{Y(\mu, t)\} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is because

$$\begin{aligned} E\{Y(\mu, t)\} &= E\{\cos(2\pi f_2 t + \phi(\mu))\} \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} \cos(2\pi f_2 t + \phi) d\phi \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, they are orthogonal.

(c) Find the Hilbert transform of the product process $\hat{X}(\mu, t)\hat{Y}(\mu, t)$.

Sol: Since $\hat{X}(\mu, t)$ is highpass and $\hat{Y}(\mu, t)$ is lowpass, we know from Bedrosian's Theorem that

$$\begin{aligned} H.T.[\hat{X}(\mu, t)\hat{Y}(\mu, t)] &= H.T.[\hat{X}(\mu, t)]\hat{Y}(\mu, t) \\ &= -X(\mu, t)\hat{Y}(\mu, t) \\ &= -\cos(2\pi f_1 t + \theta(\mu)) \sin(2\pi f_2 t + \phi(\mu)). \end{aligned}$$

(5) (4%) Let $n(\mu, t)$ be a narrowband stationary random process with mean zero and power spectral density $S_n(f)$ given by

$$S_n(f) = \frac{1}{2(2\pi\sigma^2)^{1/2}} \left[\exp\left\{-\frac{(f-f_c)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\} + \exp\left\{-\frac{(f+f_c)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\} \right]$$

with $\sigma^2 \ll f_c$. Suppose that we wish to represent $n(\mu, t)$ in the form of the quadrature representation

$$n(\mu, t) = n_c(\mu, t) \cos(2\pi f_c t) - n_s(\mu, t) \sin(2\pi f_c t).$$

Evaluate the autocorrelations of $n_c(\mu, t)$ and $n_s(\mu, t)$.

(Note that you can decompose $S_n(f)$ as $S_n(f) = S_L(f+f_c) + S_L(f-f_c)$ with the low-pass spectrum $S_L(f)$ under the narrowband assumption $\sigma^2 \ll f_c$. Also, the following formula may be useful: $\int_0^\infty \exp\left\{-\frac{f^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\} \cos(2\pi f\tau) df = (\pi\sigma^2/2)^{1/2} \exp\{-2(\pi\sigma\tau)^2\}$.)

Sol: Now, we can express $S_n(f) = S_L(f+f_c) + S_L(f-f_c)$ where

$$S_L(f) = \frac{1}{2(2\pi\sigma^2)^{1/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{f^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}.$$

Therefore, both $n_c(\mu, t)$ and $n_s(\mu, t)$ have mean zero and identical autocorrelation

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{n_c}(\tau) &= R_{n_s}(\tau) = 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_L(f) \exp\{j2\pi f\tau\} df \\
 &= 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_L(f) \cos(2\pi f\tau) df \\
 &= 4 \int_0^{\infty} S_L(f) \cos(2\pi f\tau) df \\
 &= \frac{2}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{1/2}} \int_0^{\infty} \exp\left\{-\frac{f^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\} \cos(2\pi f\tau) df \\
 &= \exp(-2(\pi\sigma\tau)^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the formula

$$\int_0^{\infty} \exp\left\{-\frac{f^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\} \cos(2\pi f\tau) df = (\pi\sigma^2/2)^{1/2} \exp\{-2(\pi\sigma\tau)^2\}.$$

- (6) (6%) Consider a linear and time-invariant system with input $X(\mu, t)$ and output $Y(\mu, t)$, which are related by

$$Y(\mu, t) = X(\mu, t) + X(\mu, t - 1).$$

Also, let $X(\mu, t)$ be a real-valued Gaussian random process with mean function $\eta_X(t)$ and autocorrelation $R_X(t_1, t_2)$.

- (a) (4%) Express the mean function $\eta_Y(t)$ and the autocorrelation $R_Y(t_1, t_2)$ of $Y(\mu, t)$ in terms of $\eta_X(t)$ and $R_X(t_1, t_2)$.

Sol: The mean function of $Y(\mu, t)$ is given by $\eta_Y(t) = \eta_X(t) + \eta_X(t - 1)$. The autocorrelation $R_Y(t_1, t_2)$ of $Y(\mu, t)$ is given by $R_Y(t_1, t_2) = E\{Y(\mu, t_1)Y(\mu, t_2)\} = R_X(t_1, t_2) + R_X(t_1 - 1, t_2) + R_X(t_1, t_2 - 1) + R_X(t_1 - 1, t_2 - 1)$.

- (b) (2%) Can $Y(\mu, t)$ be a stationary Gaussian random process? Prove your answer.

Sol: Because the system is linear and $X(\mu, t)$ is Gaussian, $Y(\mu, t)$ is Gaussian. Now, if we further let $X(\mu, t)$ be stationary, then $Y(\mu, t)$ is also stationary. This is because from (a) $\eta_Y(t)$ is a constant and $R_Y(t_1, t_2)$ depends only on $t_1 - t_2$ if $X(\mu, t)$ is stationary.

- (7) (6%, 2% each) Let $n_+(\mu, t)$, $\hat{n}(\mu, t)$ and $\tilde{n}(\mu, t)$ be the pre-envelope, the Hilbert transform, and the complex envelope of wide-sense stationary real-valued random process $n(\mu, t)$, respectively, related by

$$n_+(\mu, t) = n(\mu, t) + j\hat{n}(\mu, t) = \tilde{n}(\mu, t) \exp\{j2\pi f_c t\}.$$

Determine whether each of the following statements is true or false. Prove the statement if it is true and explain the reason if it is false.

- (a) *Statement A*: $n(\mu, t)$ and $\hat{n}(\mu, t)$ are jointly wide-sense stationary real-valued random processes.
- (b) *Statement B*: $n_+(\mu, t)$ is a wide-sense stationary complex-valued random process.
- (c) *Statement C*: $\tilde{n}(\mu, t)$ is a wide-sense stationary complex-valued random process.

Sol: *Statement A* and *Statement B* are true, but *Statement C* is false. The arguments are given below. Note first that

$$\hat{n}(\mu, t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{n(\mu, x)}{t - x} dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{n(\mu, t - x)}{x} dx.$$

- (a) We first prove that $n(\mu, t)$ and $\hat{n}(\mu, t)$ are jointly wide-sense stationary (WSS) real-valued random processes when $n(\mu, t)$ is WSS. Now, if $E\{n(\mu, t)\} = C$, then

$$E\{\hat{n}(\mu, t)\} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{C}{x} dx = \text{a constant}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\hat{n}}(t_1, t_2) &= E\{\hat{n}(\mu, t_1)\hat{n}(\mu, t_2)\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{E\{n(\mu, t_1 - x)n(\mu, t_2 - y)\}}{xy} dx dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{R_n(t_1 - x, t_2 - y)}{xy} dx dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{R_n(t_1 - t_2 - x + y)}{xy} dx dy \\ &= \text{a function of } t_1 - t_2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\hat{n}(\mu, t)$ is WSS. Further, because

$$\begin{aligned} E\{n(\mu, t_1)\hat{n}(\mu, t_2)\} &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{E\{n(\mu, t_1)n(\mu, t_2 - x)\}}{x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{R_n(t_1, t_2 - x)}{x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{R_n(t_1 - t_2 + x)}{x} dx \\ &= \text{a function of } t_1 - t_2. \end{aligned}$$

and so is $E\{\hat{n}(\mu, t_1)n(\mu, t_2)\}$, $n(\mu, t)$ and $\hat{n}(\mu, t)$ are jointly WSS.

- (b) Because the real part $n(\mu, t)$ and the imaginary part $\hat{n}(\mu, t)$ of a complex-valued random process $n_+(\mu, t) = n(\mu, t) + j\hat{n}(\mu, t)$ are jointly WSS, $n_+(\mu, t)$ is WSS.

- (c) Note that $\tilde{n}(\mu, t) = n_+(\mu, t) \exp\{-j2\pi f_c t\}$. Now, $E\{\tilde{n}(\mu, t)\} = E\{n_+(\mu, t)\} \exp\{-j2\pi f_c t\}$ depends on time t if $E\{n_+(\mu, t)\}$ is nonzero. Thus, $\tilde{n}(\mu, t)$ may not be WSS.