# Appendix A

# Review of Important Concepts

# A.1 Matrix Fundamentals

#### A.1.1 Definitions

A matrix **A** is a rectangular array whose elements  $a_{ij}$  are arranged in m rows and n columns, referred to as an  $m \times n$  matrix,

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} . \tag{A.1}$$

The matrix is said to be square when m = n, a row matrix when m = 1, and a column matrix when n = 1. The column matrix has particular significance and is referred to as a vector.

It may be useful to partition a matrix into smaller submatrices. For example, an  $m \times n$  matrix may be written as

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_{11} & \mathbf{A}_{12} \\ \mathbf{A}_{21} & \mathbf{A}_{22} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{A.2}$$

where  $\mathbf{A}_{11}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_{12}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}_{21}$ , and  $\mathbf{A}_{22}$  are  $m_1 \times n_1$ ,  $m_1 \times n_2$ ,  $m_2 \times n_1$ , and  $m_2 \times n_2$  matrices, respectively, such that  $m_1 + m_2 = m$  and  $n_1 + n_2 = n$ . By denoting the  $i^{\text{th}}$  column of  $\mathbf{A}$  as  $\mathbf{a}_i$ ,

$$\mathbf{a}_{i} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{i1} \\ a_{i2} \\ \vdots \\ a_{in} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{A.3}$$

the matrix A can be written as a partitioned matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_n \end{bmatrix}. \tag{A.4}$$

The *transpose* of a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is another matrix  $\mathbf{A}^T$  whose rows and columns have been interchanged, and thus, if  $\mathbf{A}$  is  $m \times n$  then  $\mathbf{A}^T$  is  $n \times m$ . The *Hermitian* transpose of a complex matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is another matrix  $\mathbf{A}^H$  which has been transposed and with all elements complex-conjugated. The *inverse* of a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  for which

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I},\tag{A.5}$$

where I is the *identity matrix* with ones in the principal diagonal and elsewhere zeros,

$$\mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \tag{A.6}$$

The *rank* of a matrix is defined as the number of linearly independent rows or columns, whichever is less.

The reversal of a vector

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} \tag{A.7}$$

is defined by

$$\tilde{\mathbf{a}} = \begin{bmatrix} a_n \\ a_{n-1} \\ \vdots \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix}, \tag{A.8}$$

where the tilde denotes the reversal operation. For the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  in (A.1), its reversal is given by

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{mn} & a_{m(n-1)} & \cdots & a_{m1} \\ a_{(m-1)n} & a_{(m-1)(n-1)} & \cdots & a_{(m-1)2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{1(n-1)} & \cdots & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{A.9}$$

that is, the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is reversed about both its vertical axis and its horizontal axis.

The inverse of a product of two matrices **A** and **B** is the product of the inverse matrices in reversed order,

$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^{-1} = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1}.\tag{A.10}$$

Similarly, the transpose of the product of two matrices is given by

$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^T = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T. \tag{A.11}$$

A matrix is said to be *symmetric* if

$$\mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{A},\tag{A.12}$$

and orthogonal if

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I},\tag{A.13}$$

or, equivalently,

$$\mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{A}^{-1}.\tag{A.14}$$

A square matrix is called *diagonal* if all elements off the principal diagonal are zero,

$$\operatorname{diag}(a_{11}, a_{22}, \dots, a_{nn}) = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{A.15}$$

A lower triangular matrix has all of its elements above the principal diagonal equal to zero,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & a_{n3} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}. \tag{A.16}$$

An upper triangular matrix is defined as the transpose of a lower triangular matrix. A matrix is said to be *Toeplitz* if all of its elements along each

diagonal have the same value,

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 & a_1 & a_2 & \cdots & a_{n-2} & a_{n-1} \\ a_{-1} & a_0 & a_1 & \cdots & a_{n-3} & a_{n-2} \\ a_{-2} & a_{-1} & a_0 & \cdots & a_{n-4} & a_{n-3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{-n+2} & a_{-n+3} & a_{-n+4} & \cdots & a_0 & a_1 \\ a_{-n+1} & a_{-n+2} & a_{-n+3} & \cdots & a_{-1} & a_0 \end{bmatrix}.$$
(A.17)

The matrix is symmetric Toeplitz if  $a_{-k} = a_k$ .

The product of a transposed vector and another vector of the same dimension is a scalar a and is referred to as the *inner product* or the scalar product

$$a = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{x}. \tag{A.18}$$

The vectors are orthogonal if their scalar product is equal to zero,

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = 0. \tag{A.19}$$

The product of a vector and a transposed vector is a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  and is referred to as the *outer product* 

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^T. \tag{A.20}$$

Note that  $\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^T \neq \mathbf{y}\mathbf{x}^T$  in general.

For a symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix **A**, a quadratic form Q is defined as

$$Q = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_i x_j.$$
 (A.21)

A symmetric matrix A is said to be positive definite if

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} > 0 \tag{A.22}$$

for all  $\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0}$ ; the matrix **A** is *positive semidefinite* if the quadratic form Q is greater or equal to zero.

The sum of the diagonal elements of a square matrix  $\bf A$  is called the *trace* of  $\bf A$  and is

$$\operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ii}.$$
 (A.23)

The trace of the sum of matrices is equal to the sum of the traces

$$tr(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) = tr(\mathbf{A}) + tr(\mathbf{B}), \tag{A.24}$$

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and the trace of a matrix product is

$$tr(\mathbf{AB}) = tr(\mathbf{BA}). \tag{A.25}$$

The determinant for an  $n \times n$  matrix **A** multiplied with a scalar a is

$$\det(a\mathbf{B}) = a^n \det(\mathbf{A}),\tag{A.26}$$

and for a matrix product it is

$$\det(\mathbf{AB}) = \det(\mathbf{BA}). \tag{A.27}$$

The determinant of a diagonal matrix A is

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} a_{ii}.\tag{A.28}$$

The determinant of an inverse matrix is

$$\det(\mathbf{A}^{-1}) = (\det(\mathbf{A}))^{-1}. \tag{A.29}$$

A useful relationship for the trace of the outer product of the vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  is

$$tr(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^T) = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{x}. (A.30)$$

The matrix inversion lemma states that

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{BCD})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{D}\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}^{-1})^{-1}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{A}^{-1},$$
 (A.31)

where **A** is  $n \times n$ , **B** is  $n \times m$ , **C** is  $m \times m$ , and **D** is  $m \times n$ , with the assumption that the included inverse matrices exist.

The norm of a vector is a number that characterizes the magnitude of the vector. The *Euclidean norm* is one such measure which is defined by

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_{2} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} |x_{i}|^{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\mathbf{x}^{T}\mathbf{x}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$
 (A.32)

Similarly, the norm of a matrix is a number that characterizes the magnitude of the matrix. Several matrix norm definitions exist, of which one of the most used is the *Frobenius norm*,

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|^2} = (\operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T))^{1/2}.$$
 (A.33)

# A.1.2 Matrix Decomposition

A square  $n \times n$  matrix **A** has an eigenvector **v** which satisfies

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v} \tag{A.34}$$

for some scalar  $\lambda$ , also referred to as the *eigenvalue* corresponding  $\mathbf{v}$ . The eigenvectors are normalized to have unit length, i.e.,  $\mathbf{v}^T\mathbf{v} = 1$ . The *n* eigenvalues of (A.34) are obtained as the roots of the *characteristic equation* 

$$\det(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I}) = \mathbf{0}.$$

With these eigenvalues, the corresponding eigenvectors can be determined from

$$(\mathbf{A} - \lambda \mathbf{I})\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}.$$

When **A** is symmetric and positive definite (semidefinite), all eigenvalues are real-valued and positive (non-negative). The corresponding eigenvectors are orthonormal,

$$\mathbf{v}_i^T \mathbf{v}_j = \begin{cases} 1, & i = j; \\ 0, & i \neq j. \end{cases}$$
 (A.35)

The relation in (A.34) can be expressed to include all n eigenvalues and eigenvectors

$$\mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 \mathbf{v}_1 & \lambda_2 \mathbf{v}_2 & \cdots & \lambda_n \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix},$$

or

$$\mathbf{AV} = \mathbf{V}\Lambda,\tag{A.36}$$

where  $\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 & \mathbf{v}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\Lambda = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$ . Since the columns of  $\mathbf{V}$  are orthonormal, i.e.,  $\mathbf{V}^T = \mathbf{V}^{-1}$ , the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  can be decomposed into a weighted sum of rank-one matrices  $\mathbf{v}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T$ ,

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{V}\Lambda\mathbf{V}^T = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \mathbf{v}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T.$$
 (A.37)

Thus, for a matrix defined by an outer product, i.e.,  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{a}\mathbf{a}^T$ , it is evident from (A.37) that only one eigenvalue can be nonzero. The corresponding eigenvector  $\mathbf{v}_1$  is, apart from a normalization factor, identical to the vector  $\mathbf{a}$ . The remaining eigenvectors must be selected such that these are orthogonal to  $\mathbf{v}_1$ .

Based on the expansion in (A.37), the determinant and the trace of a symmetric matrix A can be related to its eigenvalues,

$$\det(\mathbf{A}) = \det(\mathbf{V}\Lambda\mathbf{V}^T) = \det(\mathbf{V}^T\mathbf{V}\Lambda)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i,$$
(A.38)

and

$$tr(\mathbf{A}) = tr(\mathbf{V}\Lambda\mathbf{V}^T) = tr(\mathbf{V}^T\mathbf{V}\Lambda)$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i, \tag{A.39}$$

respectively.

Another, more general type of matrix decomposition is the *singular value decomposition* (SVD) by which an  $m \times n$  matrix **A** can be decomposed into two orthogonal matrices, an  $m \times m$  matrix **U** and an  $n \times n$  matrix **V** such that

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T,\tag{A.40}$$

where  $\Sigma$  is an  $m \times n$  non-negative diagonal matrix defined by

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{S} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{A.41}$$

and

$$\mathbf{S} = \operatorname{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_l), \tag{A.42}$$

where  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \ldots \geq \sigma_l > 0$  and  $\sigma_{l+1} = \cdots = \sigma_p = 0$  denote the singular values of **A**; the number of nonzero singular values l does not exceed  $p = \min(m, n)$ . Similar to eigendecomposition of a symmetric matrix in (A.37), the matrix **A** can be decomposed into a weighted sum of rank-one matrices  $\mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T$ ,

$$\mathbf{A} = \sum_{i=1}^{l} \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T. \tag{A.43}$$

The nonzero singular values of  $\mathbf{A}$  are equal to the square-root of the positive eigenvalues of the matrices  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T$ .

# A.1.3 Matrix Optimization

When optimizing matrix equations the following vector differentiation rules are useful:

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{y},\tag{A.44}$$

and

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{y}^T\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{y},\tag{A.45}$$

where the gradient  $\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}$  of a vector function  $f(\mathbf{x})$  is defined as

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}, \tag{A.46}$$

where  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  are the elements of **x**. The gradient of a quadratic form is given by

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}) = 2\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x},\tag{A.47}$$

where **A** is symmetric.

It may be necessary to optimize a vector function  $f(\mathbf{x})$  subject to a number of constraints. For a set of L different constraints  $g_l(\mathbf{x}) = 0$  with  $l = 1, \ldots, L$ , optimization with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$  can be done in the following way.

1. First, define the Lagrangian function  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_L)$ ,

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_L) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{l=1}^{L} \mu_l g_l(\mathbf{x}), \tag{A.48}$$

where  $\mu_1, \ldots, \mu_l$  are called Lagrange multipliers.

2. Then, solve the equation system

$$\begin{cases}
\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \mu_{1}, \dots, \mu_{L}) = \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \left( f(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{l=1}^{L} \mu_{l} g_{l}(\mathbf{x}) \right) = \mathbf{0}, \\
\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \mu_{1}, \dots, \mu_{L})}{\partial \mu_{1}} = g_{1}(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \\
\vdots \\
\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \mu_{1}, \dots, \mu_{L})}{\partial \mu_{L}} = g_{L}(\mathbf{x}) = 0,
\end{cases}$$
(A.49)

where the solutions to the L different equations

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_L)}{\partial \mu_l} = 0$$

are the specified constraints.

#### A.1.4 Linear Equations

The solution to a set of n linear equations in the m unknowns  $x_i$ , i = 1, ..., m,

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1m}x_m = b_1,$$
  
 $a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2m}x_m = b_2,$   
 $\vdots$   
 $a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \dots + a_{nm}x_m = b_n,$ 

or, equivalently,

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b},\tag{A.50}$$

depend on various factors such as the relative size of m and n and the rank of  $\mathbf{A}$ . When  $\mathbf{A}$  is a square matrix, i.e., m = n, the solution is defined by

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b},\tag{A.51}$$

provided that the inverse matrix  $A^{-1}$  exists.

In many signal processing problems, the number of unknowns  $x_i$  is less than the number of linear equations, i.e., m < n, and the solution is said to be overdetermined. In such cases, the *least-squares solution* is usually considered and results from minimizing the error norm

$$\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 \tag{A.52}$$

with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$ . When the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  has full rank, the least-squares solution is [1-3]

$$\mathbf{x} = \left(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b},\tag{A.53}$$

where the matrix  $(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T$  is referred to as the pseudo-inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$  for the overdetermined problem.

# A.2 Discrete-Time Stochastic Processes

A stochastic process represents an ensemble of possible realizations of a process. Each realization of the stochastic process is called a time series, e.g.,  $x(0), \ldots, x(N-1)$ , which in vector form can be written

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x(0) \\ x(1) \\ \vdots \\ x(N-1) \end{bmatrix}. \tag{A.54}$$

It is assumed that x(n) is real-valued, stochastic process.

#### A.2.1 Definitions

A stochastic process can be described using expected values or ensemble averages which are averages over all realizations. The mean or expected value of a function f(x) of a random variable X, characterized by its PDF  $p_X(x)$ , is defined as

$$E[f(x)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)p_X(x)dx. \tag{A.55}$$

The mean value function of a stochastic process is defined by

$$m_x(n) = E[x(n)] \tag{A.56}$$

and contains the averages of all possible outcomes for each individual sample. In vector representation (A.56) can be written

$$\mathbf{m}_x = E[\mathbf{x}]. \tag{A.57}$$

The variance function contains for each sample the ensemble average of the squared deviation from the mean value for that sample. The variance function is given by

$$\sigma_x^2(n) = E[|x(n) - m_x(n)|^2],$$
 (A.58)

or in vector form

$$\sigma_x^2 = E\left[|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{m}_x|^2\right]. \tag{A.59}$$

The covariance function (also called the autocovariance function) describes the average joint deviation from the mean value for two samples  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  and is defined by

$$c_x(n_1, n_2) = E[(x(n_1) - m_x(n_1))(x(n_2) - m_x(n_2))].$$
(A.60)

A positive covariance value indicates that the deviations from the mean value for these two samples, in average, have the same sign, while a negative value indicates that the deviations tend to have opposite sign. The covariance matrix  $\mathbf{C}_x$  is defined by

$$\mathbf{C}_{x} = E\left[ (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{m}_{x})(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{m}_{x})^{T} \right]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} c_{x}(0,0) & c_{x}(0,1) & \cdots & c_{x}(0,N-1) \\ c_{x}(1,0) & c_{x}(1,1) & \cdots & c_{x}(1,N-1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ c_{x}(N-1,0) & c_{x}(N-1,1) & \cdots & c_{x}(N-1,N-1) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A.61)$$

which is symmetric. The correlation function (also called the autocorrelation function) is defined by

$$r_x(n_1, n_2) = E[x(n_1)x(n_2)],$$
 (A.62)

which has an interpretation similar to that of the covariance function, although it does not reflect deviations from the mean value. The correlation matrix is defined by

$$\mathbf{R}_{x} = E\left[\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^{T}\right]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} r_{x}(0,0) & r_{x}(0,1) & \cdots & r_{x}(0,N-1) \\ r_{x}(1,0) & r_{x}(1,1) & \cdots & r_{x}(1,N-1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ r_{x}(N-1,0) & r_{x}(N-1,1) & \cdots & r_{x}(N-1,N-1) \end{bmatrix}.$$
(A.63)

A close relation exists between the covariance and the correlation matrices since

$$\mathbf{C}_x = \mathbf{R}_x - \mathbf{m}_x \mathbf{m}_x^T, \tag{A.64}$$

and thus a zero-mean process has identical covariance and correlation matrices.

A cross-correlation function can be defined which describes the correlation properties between two different stochastic processes x(n) and y(n)

$$r_{xy}(n_1, n_2) = E[x(n_1)y(n_2)].$$
 (A.65)

The corresponding cross-correlation matrix is defined by

$$\mathbf{R}_{xy} = E\left[\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}^T\right]. \tag{A.66}$$

# A.2.2 Stationarity

In the previous subsection the stochastic process was characterized by its first and second moments. It should be noted, however, that the first two moments do not provide a complete statistical description of a stochastic process. On the other hand, it is seldom possible to exactly determine the probability density function, and the process may be reasonably well-described by its first two moments.

A stochastic process is said to be strictly stationary if all of its moments are time-invariant. A less strict assumption is that its first two moments are time-invariant, and the process is called *wide-sense stationary*. A process is wide-sense stationary if the mean value function is a constant,

$$m_x(n) = m_x, (A.67)$$

and the covariance and correlation functions depend only on the lag between the two samples,

$$c_x(n, n-k) = c_x(k) \tag{A.68}$$

and

$$r_x(n, n-k) = r_x(k). \tag{A.69}$$

The correlation function of a wide-sense stationary process is symmetric,

$$r_x(k) = r_x(-k). (A.70)$$

For a zero lag, the correlation function is non-negative and equals the mean-square value of the process,

$$r_x(0) = E[|x(n)|^2] \ge 0.$$
 (A.71)

Furthermore, the correlation function is bounded by the mean-square value,

$$|r_x(k)| \le r_x(0). \tag{A.72}$$

The correlation matrix  $\mathbf{R}_x$  of a wide-sense stationary process x(n) is symmetric and Toeplitz,

$$\mathbf{R}_{x} = E[\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^{T}] = \begin{bmatrix} r_{x}(0) & r_{x}(-1) & \cdots & r_{x}(-N+1) \\ r_{x}(1) & r_{x}(0) & \cdots & r_{x}(-N+2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ r_{x}(N-1) & r_{x}(N-2) & \cdots & r_{x}(0) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A.73)$$

and is positive semidefinite with non-negative, real-valued eigenvalues.

# A.2.3 Ergodicity

Often different realizations of a signal are unavailable, and the mean value and the correlation function can be estimated using time averages instead of ensemble averages. If a large number of samples of a wide-sense stationary process are available, the mean value of a stochastic process can be estimated by using

$$\hat{m}_x(N) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n). \tag{A.74}$$

If

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} E\left[ |\hat{m}_x(N) - m_x|^2 \right] = 0, \tag{A.75}$$

the process x(n) is said to be *ergodic in the mean*. Similarly, the correlation function can be estimated by

$$\hat{r}_x(k,N) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=k}^{N-1} x(n)x(n-k).$$
 (A.76)

If

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} E\left[ |\hat{r}_x(k, N) - r_x(k)|^2 \right] = 0, \tag{A.77}$$

the process is said to be *correlation ergodic*.

# A.2.4 Bias and Consistency

An estimate  $\hat{\theta}_N$  of the unknown parameter  $\theta$  is referred to as being unbiased if

$$E\left[\hat{\theta}_N\right] = \theta,\tag{A.78}$$

or, otherwise, the difference

$$b(\theta) = E \left[ \hat{\theta}_N \right] - \theta$$

is referred to as the bias; the parameter N denotes the number of observations used to compute an estimate of  $\theta$ . The estimate is asymptotically unbiased if the bias approaches zero for an increasing number of observations,

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} E\left[\hat{\theta}_N\right] = \theta. \tag{A.79}$$

The estimate is said to be *consistent* if it is asymptotically unbiased and has a variance that approaches zero as the number of observations goes to infinity.

#### A.2.5 Power Spectrum

The discrete-time Fourier transform of the correlation function is called power spectrum or power spectral density

$$S_x(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} r_x(k)e^{-j\omega k}.$$
 (A.80)

Inversely, the correlation function can be calculated from the power spectrum by

$$r_x(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} S_x(e^{j\omega}) e^{j\omega k} d\omega.$$
 (A.81)

The z-transform can be used instead of the discrete-time Fourier transform, and the power spectrum can be written

$$S_x(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} r_x(k) z^{-k}.$$
 (A.82)

For a wide-sense stationary process the power spectrum is symmetric,

$$S_x(e^{j\omega}) = S_x(e^{-j\omega}), \tag{A.83}$$

and non-negative,

$$S_x(e^{j\omega}) \ge 0. (A.84)$$

The average power of a zero-mean, wide-sense stationary process can be written

$$E\left[|x(n)|^2\right] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} S_x(e^{j\omega}) d\omega. \tag{A.85}$$

#### A.2.6 White Noise

A zero-mean process that has constant power spectrum is called a white noise process. A stationary, white noise process v(n) is completely described by its second-order moment,

$$r_v(k) = \sigma_v^2 \delta(k), \tag{A.86}$$

where  $\sigma_v^2$  is the variance of the process. The correlation function shows that white noise is a sequence of uncorrelated random variables. If the process is a sequence of Gaussian random variables it is called white, Gaussian noise. The power spectrum of white noise is

$$S_v(e^{j\omega}) = \sigma_v^2. \tag{A.87}$$

# A.2.7 Filtering of Stochastic Processes

Stochastic processes are often inputs to linear, time-invariant filters. The first and second-order moments of the output process y(n) of a filter with impulse response h(n) then relate to the input process x(n) as follows:

$$m_y = E[y(n)] = m_x \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(k), \tag{A.88}$$

and

$$r_y(k) = r_x(k) * h(k) * h(-k).$$
 (A.89)

In the frequency domain these relations can be written

$$m_y = m_x H(e^{j0}), \tag{A.90}$$

and

$$S_y(e^{j\omega}) = |H(e^{j\omega})|^2 S_x(e^{j\omega}). \tag{A.91}$$

Similarly, using the z-transform,

$$S_y(z) = H(z)H(z^{-1})S_x(z).$$
 (A.92)

Filtering of white noise with variance  $\sigma_x^2$  can then be expressed as

$$S_y(z) = H(z)H(z^{-1})\sigma_x^2.$$
 (A.93)

A white noise process v(n) filtered with a filter H(z) having a rational transfer function with q zeros and p poles of the form

$$H(z) = \frac{B_q(z)}{A_p(z)} = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{q} b_q(k) z^{-k}}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^{p} a_q(k) z^{-k}}$$
(A.94)

is called an autoregressive moving average (ARMA) process of order (p,q). The power spectrum of an ARMA process x(n) can then be written

$$S_x(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{|B_q(e^{j\omega})|^2}{|A_p(e^{j\omega})|^2} \sigma_v^2. \tag{A.95}$$

There are two special cases of an ARMA process and that is when q=0 and when p=0, respectively. When q=0 the process is referred to as

an autoregressive (AR) process of order p. The transfer function and power spectrum are given by

$$H(z) = \frac{b(0)}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^{p} a_q(k)z^{-k}}$$
(A.96)

and

$$S_x(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{|b(0)|^2}{|A_p(e^{j\omega})|^2} \sigma_v^2,$$
 (A.97)

respectively. Similarly, when p=0 the process is referred to as a *moving* average (MA) process of order q for which the transfer function and power spectrum are

$$H(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{q} b_q(k) z^{-k}$$
 (A.98)

and

$$S_x(e^{j\omega}) = |B_q(e^{j\omega})|^2 \sigma_v^2, \tag{A.99}$$

respectively.

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