# Introduction to Discrete Random Process



### 87203 – Multimedial Signal Processing 1st Module

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- Ex1: Bernoulli Random Sequence
- Ex2: Gaussian Random Sequence
- Ex3: Jointly distributed random sequences
- Ex4: Stationary vs ergodicity



#### Exercise 1 (1/6)

 Goal: Generate i.i.d. Bernoulli sequence of 1000 samples with arbitrary p.

$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{with probability } p \\ 1 & \text{with probability } 1-p \end{cases}$$

A DTRS is a sequence of random variables
x(n)

$$f_{x(n)}(x,n) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} p_{x(n)}(x_k,n) \,\delta(x-x_k)$$



#### Exercise 1 (2/6)

- A DTRS is independent identically distributed when:
  - the pdf does not depend on the time index

$$f_{x(n)}(x,n) = f_x(x)$$

 the random variables at different time instant n,m are independent

$$f_{x_j x_k}(x_j, x_k) = f_{x_j}(x_j) \cdot f_{x_k}(x_k)$$

Hint: A i.i.d. sequence is generated by taking independent sample of the pdf.

#### Exercise 1 (3/6)

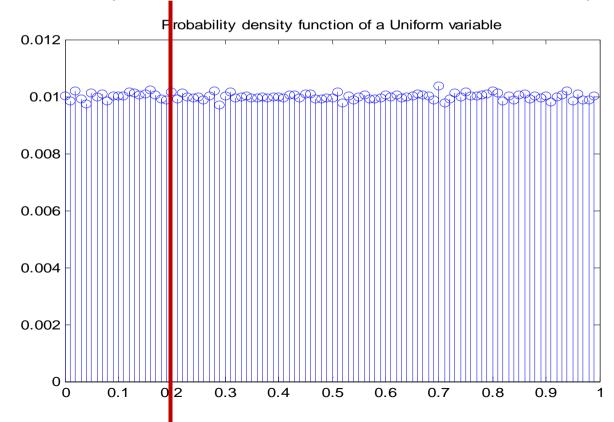
#### Pseudocode:

- generate a iid sequence of 1000 samples with uniform distribution on the interval (0.0, 1.0).
  - y = rand(1000,1);
- assign value 0 at the index of each sample that is <p</p>
  - x2 = zeros(length(y), 1);
  - p = 0.2;
  - x2(y < p) = 0;
- assign value 1 at the index of each sample that is >=p
  - x2(y>=p) = 1;



#### Exercise 1 (4/6)

 Let's see pdf of a discrete (100 possible set of values) uniform variable in the interval (0, 1)





### Exercise 1 (5/6)

Compute the expected value and variance of the random variable x of which we have N realizations:

• mean: 
$$E[x] = \eta_x = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_x(x) \delta(x)$$

- m=mean(x);
- ms=(1/N)\*sum(x);

$$\eta_x = 1 * p + 0 * (1 - p)$$

• variance: 
$$\sigma_x^2 = E[(x - \eta_x)^2]$$

$$\sigma_x^2 = (1-p) * p$$

### Exercise 1 (6/6)

- Matlab provides the functions:
- "x=rand(M,N)" that produces a M-by-N matrix with random entries, chosen from a uniform distribution on the interval (0.0,1.0).
- "m=mean(x)" that compute the mean value:
  - For vectors, "m" is the mean value of the elements in "x"
  - For matrices, "m" is a row vector containing the mean value of each column.
- "s=var(x)" that compute the variance:
  - For vectors "s" returns the variance of the values in "x".
  - For matrices, "s" is a row vector containing the variance of each column of "x".



#### Exercise 2 (1/5)

 Goal: Generate i.i.d. Gaussian sequence of 1000 samples with arbitrary mean and variance.

$$f_{x}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{x}^{2}}} e^{-\frac{(x-\eta_{x})^{2}}{2\sigma_{x}^{2}}}$$

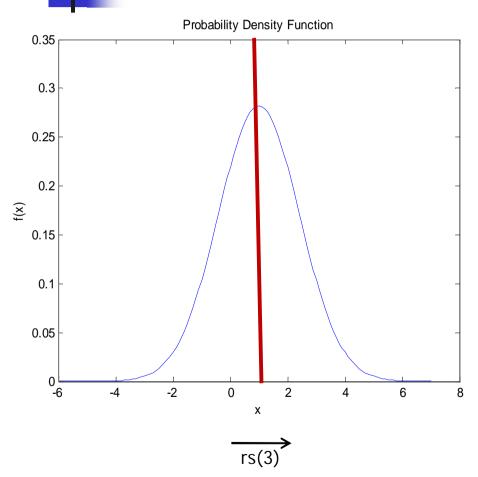
 Hint: A i.i.d. sequence is generated by taking independent sample of the pdf.

#### Exercise 2 (2/5)

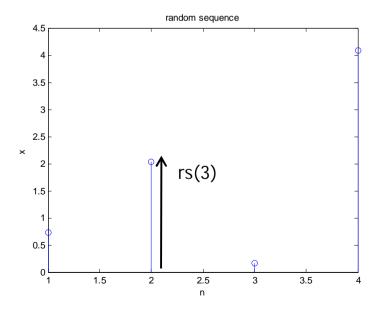
#### Pseudocode:

- generate a iid sequence of 1000 samples with normal distribution
  - x = randn(1000,1);
- set variance = s
  - x = sqrt(s)\*randn(1000,1);
- set mean = m
  - x = sqrt(s)\*randn(1000,1)+m;
- N.B. For a gaussian distribution, 99,7% of possible value are inside the interval m±3s

### Exercise 2 (3/5)



 $rs = [0.7360 \quad 2.0264 \quad 0.1680 \quad 4.0875]$ 

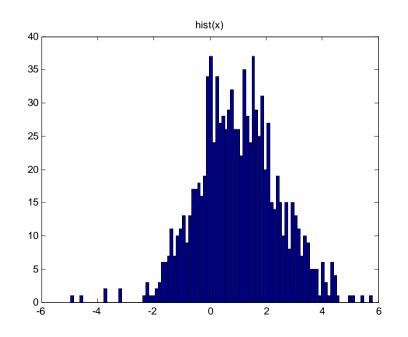


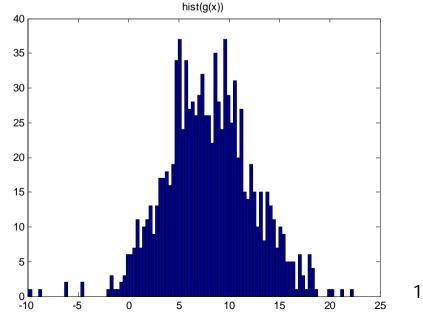


#### Exercise 2 (4/5)

- Hint: Remember:
  - $x \approx N(\eta_x, \sigma_x^2)$ • if x is a gaussian variable then g(x)=ax+b is a guassian variable

$$y = g(x) \approx N(a\eta_x + b, a^2\sigma_x^2)$$







### Exercise 2 (5/5)

- Matlab provides the functions:
- "x=randn(M,N)" that produces a M-by-N matrix with random entries, chosen from a normal distribution with mean zero, variance one and standard deviation one.
- "n=hist(x,M)" that bins the elements of "x" into M equally spaced containers and returns the number of elements in each container "n". If "x" is a matrix, "hist" works down the columns.



#### Exercise 3 (1/2)

- Goal: Generate two jointly distributed Gaussian random sequences.
  - Two DTRS x(n) and y(n) are described by the a joint probability function

$$F_{x(n)y(m)}(x, n, y, m) = P\{x(n) \le x \text{ and } y(m) \le y\}$$

 Assuming that the joint probability function is indipendent on the time index, it is a function of two variables x and y



#### Exercise 3 (2/2)

- Pseudocode:
  - generate a iid sequence of 1000 samples x(n)
  - generate a iid sequence of 1000 sample z(n)
  - consider the sequence y(n) defined as:
    - y(n) = x(n) + z(n);

N.B. {x(n)} and {y(n)} are statistically dependent: the knowledge of f<sub>x</sub>(x) and f<sub>y</sub>(y) is not enough to describe the joint pdf f<sub>x,y</sub>(x,y).

#### Exercise 4 (1/8)

A DTRS is stationary if its statistical characterization is not affected by a shift in the data sequence:

$$F_{x(n)}(x,n) = F_{x(n+m)}(x,n+m) = F_x(x) \quad \forall n,m$$

- A DTRS is Wide-Sense Stationary if:
  - mean value  $E[x(n)] = \eta(n) = \eta \quad \forall n$
  - autocorrelation

$$r_{x}(m) = E[x(n)x*(n-m)] = E[x(n+m)x*(n)]$$



#### Exercise 4 (2/8)

- A WSS DTRS is also ergodic when time averages are equivalent to ensemble averages:
  - mean value

$$\langle x(n) \rangle = E[x(n)]$$

autocorrelation

$$\langle x(n) x*(n-m) \rangle = r_x(m)$$

N.B.: A WSS sequence is not necessary ergodic



#### Exercise 4 (3/8)

- Goal: Generate R realization of a WSS random sequence (N samples) that is also ergodic.
  - Compute ensemble averages
  - Compute time averages
  - Demonstrate that the sequence is ergodic
- Hint: Matlab provides the function "[r lag]=xcorr(x)" that produces an estimate of the autocorrelation of the stationary sequence "x". "lag" is the vector of lag indices.

#### Exercise 4 (4/8)

#### Pseudocode:

- Consider an iid sequence of {z(n)} with gaussian zero-mean distribution
  - z = sqrt(varz)\*randn(1000,1);
- Consider the sequence {x(n)} generated by:

$$x(n) = \rho x(n-1) + z(n)$$

- x = filter(1,[1 -rho],z);
- Compute R sequence {x(n)} of N samples each.
  - z = = sqrt(varz)\*randn(N,R);

#### Exercise 4 (5/8)

- Pseudocode (continued):
  - Compute ensemble averages:

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 mR = mean(x(:,50));
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• 
$$vR = var(x(:,50))$$

Compute time averages

```
 mN = mean(x(1,:))
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$$\bullet$$
 vN = var(x(1,:))

Demonstrate that:

• 
$$mN = mR$$
;  $vN = vR$ ;  $rN = rR$ ;



### Exercise 4 (6/8)

- Goal: Generate R realization of a WSS random sequence (N samples) that is not ergodic.
  - Compute ensemble averages
  - Compute time averages
  - Demonstrate that the sequence is NOT ergodic



#### Exercise 4 (7/8)

- Pseudocode:
  - Let a be a random number normally distributed:

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\bullet a = randn(R,1);
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One realization of the process is a constant horizontal time path:

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x = ones (R,N);
for i=1:R
x(i,:) = a(i).*x(i,:);
end
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#### Exercise 4 (8/8)

- Pseudocode (continued):
  - Compute ensemble averages:

```
 mR = mean(x(:,50));
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 vR = var(x(:,50))
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- [rR lagR]=xcorr(x(:,50));
- Compute time averages

```
 mN = mean(x(1,:))
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\bullet vN = var(x(1,:))
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- [rN lagN]=xcorr(x(1,:));
- Demonstrate that:
  - $mN \neq mR$ ;  $vN \neq vR$ ;  $rN \neq rR$ ;