1 First Exercise

The first exercise given is the following:

Consider X(k), given by

$$X(k) = W(k) - W(k-1), k = \pm 1, \pm 2, ...,$$

where $\{W(k)\}$ is a stationary stochastic process with independent, identically distributed (i.i.d) stochastic variables and $E\{W(k)\} = 0$, $E\{W^2(k)\} = 1$ and $E\{W^3(k)\} = 1$. The covariance sequence of $\{X(k)\}$ is given by:

$$c_2^x(\tau) = m_2^x(\tau) = E\{X(k)X(k+\tau)\}\$$

$$= E\{(W(k) - W(k-1))(W(k+\tau) - W(k+\tau-1))\}\$$

$$= 2\delta(\tau) - \delta(\tau-1) - \delta(\tau+1)$$

where $\delta(\tau)$ is the delta Kronecker function; hence,

$$c_2^x(\tau) = \begin{cases} 2, & \tau = 0 \\ -1, & \tau = 1, \ \tau = -1. \\ 0, & elsewhere \end{cases}$$

The corresponding Power Spectrum is given by

$$C_2^x(\omega) = \sum_{\tau=-1}^1 c_2^x(\tau) e^{-j\omega\tau} = (2 - 2\cos\omega).$$

- 1. Find the 3rd-order cumulants of $\{X(k)\}$, i.e., $c_3^x(\tau_1, \tau_2)$.
- 2. Find the skewness $\gamma_3^x = c_3^x(0,0)$. What do you observe?
- 3. Find the Bispectrum $C_3^{\chi}(\omega_1, \omega_2)$ Is it complex, real or imaginary?
- 4. How the result of 2 affects the result of 3? Can you draw a general comment?

1.1 First Sub-task

At first, we compute the 3rd order cumulants of X(k).

$$\begin{split} c_3^x(\tau 1, \tau 2) &= m_3^x(\tau 1, \tau 2) - m_1^x[m_2^x(\tau 1) + m_2^x(\tau 2) + m_2^x(\tau 2 - \tau 1)] + 2(m_1^x)^3 \\ &= m_3^x(\tau 1, \tau 2) \text{ because } m_1^x = E[X(k)] = E[W(k)] - E[W(k-1)] = 0 \end{split}$$

Hence.

$$\begin{split} c_3^x(\tau 1, \tau 2) &= m_3^x(\tau 1, \tau 2) = E(X(k)X(k + \tau 1)X(k + \tau 2)) \\ &= E((W(k) - W(k - 1)(W(k + \tau 1)) - W(k + \tau 1 - 1))(W(k + \tau 2) - W(k + \tau 2 - 1))) \\ &= E(W(k)W(k + \tau 1)W(k + \tau 2) - W(k)W(k + \tau 1)W(k + \tau 2 - 1) - W(k)W(k + \tau 1 - 1)W(k + \tau 2) \\ &+ W(k)W(k + \tau 1 - 1)W(k + \tau 2 - 1) - W(k - 1)W(k + \tau 1)W(k + \tau 2) + W(k - 1)W(k + \tau 1 - 1)W(k + \tau 2) \\ &+ W(k - 1)W(k + \tau 1)W(k + \tau 2 - 1) - W(k - 1)W(k + \tau 1 - 1)W(k + \tau 2 - 1)) \\ &= E(W(k)W(k + \tau 1)W(k + \tau 2)) - E(W(k)W(k + \tau 1)W(k + \tau 2 - 1)) - E(W(k)W(k + \tau 1 - 1)W(k + \tau 2)) \\ &+ E(W(k)W(k + \tau 1 - 1)W(k + \tau 2 - 1)) - E(W(k - 1)W(k + \tau 1)W(k + \tau 2 - 1)) \\ &- E(W(k - 1)W(k + \tau 1 - 1)W(k + \tau 2 - 1)) \end{split}$$

 $W(k), W(k+\tau)$ are independent stochastic processes. Thus, $E(W(k)W(k+\tau)) = E(W(k)E(W(k+\tau))$

Hence,

$$\begin{split} c_3^x(\tau 1,\tau 2) &= -\delta(\tau 1,\tau 2-1) - \delta(\tau 1-1,\tau 2) \\ &+ \delta(\tau 1-1,\tau 2-1) - \delta(\tau 1+1,\tau 2+1) \\ &+ \delta(\tau 1+1,\tau 2-1) + \delta(\tau 1,\tau 2+1) \\ &= \begin{cases} -1, & \tau 1 = 0,\tau 2 = 1 \\ -1, & \tau 1 = 1,\tau 2 = 0 \\ +1, & \tau 1 = 1,\tau 2 = 1 \\ -1, & \tau 1 = -1,\tau 2 = -1 \\ +1, & \tau 1 = -1,\tau 2 = 0 \\ +1 & \tau 1 = 0,\tau 2 = -1 \end{cases} \end{split}$$

1.2 Second Sub-task

To find the skewness we observe the 3rd order cumulants in $(\tau 1, \tau 2) = (0, 0)$. Hence,

$$\gamma_3^x = c_3^x(0,0) = 0$$

We can state that the stochastic process X(k) has a probability distribution where the observations are perfectly symmetrical around the mean. So, $(m_1^x = 0)$ and the observations are symmetrical around (0,0).

1.3 Third Sub-task

$$\begin{split} C_3^x(\omega 1, \omega 2) &= \sum_{\tau 1 = -1}^{\tau 1 = +1} \sum_{\tau 2 = -1}^{\tau 2 = +1} c_3^x(\tau 1, \tau 2) e^{-j(\omega 1 \tau 1 + \omega 2 \tau 2)} \text{ where, } |\omega 1| \leq \pi, |\omega 2| \leq \pi, |\omega 1 + \omega 2| \leq \pi \\ &= e^{-j(\omega 1 + \omega 2)} - e^{-j(-\omega 1 - \omega 2)} \\ &+ e^{j\omega 1} + e^{-j\omega 2} - e^{-j\omega 1} - e^{-j\omega 2} \\ &= -2j(-\sin \omega 1) - 2j(-\sin \omega 2) - 2j(\sin (\omega 1 + \omega 2)) \\ &= 2j(\sin \omega 1 + \sin \omega 2 - \sin (\omega 1 + \omega 2)) \end{split}$$

Hence, the bispectrum $C_3^x(\omega 1, \omega 2)$ is imaginary.

1.4 Fourth Sub-task

If $c_3^x(\tau 1, \tau 2) \neq 0$ there will be a real part in the bispectrum apart from the imaginary. So, we can assume that the skewness of X(k) determines the real part of the bispectrum.