

# Resit Exam EE2511 - Stochastic Processes

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Answer each question on a separate sheet. Make clear in your answer how you reach the final result; the road to the answer is very important. Write your name and student number on each sheet. It is allowed to answer in Dutch or English.

Further is given:

**Uniform distribution:** for  $a < b$ :

$$\begin{aligned}f_X(x) &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & a \leq x \leq b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\E[X] &= \frac{a+b}{2} \\Var[X] &= \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}\end{aligned}$$

**Laplace distribution:** for  $a > 0$  and  $-\infty < b < \infty$ :

$$\begin{aligned}f_X(x) &= \frac{a}{2} e^{-a|x-b|} \\E[X] &= b \\Var[X] &= \frac{2}{a^2}\end{aligned}$$

**Chebyshev inequality:** for an arbitrary random variable  $Y$  and a constant  $c > 0$ :

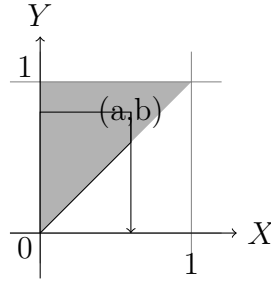
$$P[|Y - \mu_Y| \geq c] \leq \frac{\text{Var}[Y]}{c^2}$$

**Erlang's B formula:** define the load  $\rho = \frac{\lambda}{\mu}$  given the arrival rate  $\lambda$  and service rate  $\mu$ :

$$P[N = c] = \frac{\rho^c / c!}{\sum_{k=0}^c \rho^k / k!}$$

## Question 1 - Probabilities (11 p)

A graphical representation is given in the plot below:



**(2 p) (a)** Integrate over the left-bottom region from  $(a, b)$

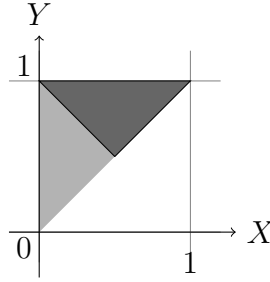
$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{X,Y}(a, b) &= \int_0^a \int_x^b c(x + 2y) dy dx \\
 &= \int_0^a c[xy + y^2]_{y=x}^b dx \\
 &= c \int_0^a (xb + b^2 - x^2 - x^2) dx \\
 &= c \int_0^a (b^2 + xb - 2x^2) dx \\
 &= c[b^2x + \frac{1}{2}bx^2 - \frac{2}{3}x^3]_0^a \\
 &= c(b^2a + \frac{1}{2}ba^2 - \frac{2}{3}a^3) \\
 &= ca(b^2 + \frac{1}{2}ba - \frac{2}{3}a^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

**(2 p) (b)**  $c$  is determined by the fact that it integrates to 1, *or* that  $F_{XY}(\infty, \infty) = 1$ . Here  $\infty$  is already reached at  $a = 1$  and  $b = 1$ , so

$$ca(b^2 + \frac{1}{2}ba - \frac{2}{3}a^2) = c(1^2 + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3}1^2) = c(1\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3}) = c\frac{5}{6} = 1 \quad (1)$$

So,  $c = \frac{6}{5}$ .

**(2 p) (c)** The probability  $P[X + Y > 1]$  is the integral over this region:



We have to integrate again:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= \int_{1/2}^1 \int_{1-y}^y c(x+2y) dx dy \\
 &= \int_{1/2}^1 c \left[ \frac{1}{2}x^2 + xy \right]_{1-y}^y dy = \int_{1/2}^1 c \left( \frac{1}{2}y^2 + y^2 \right) - \left( \frac{1}{2}(1-y)^2 + y(1-y) \right) dy \\
 &= c \int_{1/2}^1 (1.5y^2 - \frac{1}{2}(1-2y+y^2) - y + y^2) dy = c \int_{1/2}^1 (2y^2 - \frac{1}{2}) dy \\
 &= c \left[ \frac{2}{3}y^3 - \frac{1}{2}y \right]_{1/2}^1 = c \left[ (2/3 - 1/2) - (2/3 \cdot 1/8 - 1/4) \right] \\
 &= c \cdot \frac{4}{12} = \frac{2}{5} = 0.4
 \end{aligned}$$

**(2 p) (d)** Easy:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_X(x) &= \int_x^1 c(x+2y) dy = c[xy + y^2]_x^1 \\
 &= c((x+1) - (x \cdot x + x^2)) = c(-x^2 + x + 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_Y(y) &= \int_0^y c(x+2y) dy = c \left[ \frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2yx \right]_0^y \\
 &= c \left( \frac{1}{2}y^2 + 2y^2 \right) = c \cdot \frac{5}{2}y^2 = 3y^2
 \end{aligned}$$

**(2 p) (e)** Find the expected value and variance of  $Y$ ,

$$E[Y] = \int_0^1 y \cdot c \frac{5}{2} y^2 dy = 3 \left[ \frac{1}{4} y^4 \right]_0^1 = \frac{3}{4}$$

and because  $Var(Y) = E[Y^2] - E[Y]^2$  we do:

$$E[Y^2] = \int_0^1 y^2 \cdot 3y^2 dy = \frac{3}{5} [y^5]_0^1 = \frac{3}{5}$$

and therefore

$$Var[Y] = E[Y^2] - E[Y]^2 = \frac{3}{5} - \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{3}{80} = 0.0375$$

**(1 p) (f)** The variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are not independent because when I know something about  $X$ , then I certainly know also something about  $Y$ .

## Question 2 - Signal Processing (10 p)

$$Y_n = \frac{1}{2}X_{n-1} + X_n + \frac{1}{2}X_{n+1}$$

**(1 p) (a)** The autocorrelation function  $R_X(k) = E[X_m X_{m+k}]$ , and we are given that  $Var(X_i) = 1 = E[X_i^2] - E[X_i]^2 = E[X_i^2] - a^2$ , and therefore  $E[X_i^2] = 1 + a^2$ .

Because the  $X_i$  are independent, it holds that  $E[X_i X_{i+k}] = E[X_i]E[X_{i+k}] = a^2$ . So:

$$\begin{aligned} R_X(k) &= \begin{cases} E[X_i^2], & k = 0 \\ E[X_i X_{i+k}], & k \neq 0 \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} 1 + a^2, & k = 0 \\ a^2, & k \neq 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

**(1 p) (b)** Easy:

$$E[Y_i] = E\left[\frac{1}{2}X_{n-1} + X_n + \frac{1}{2}X_{n+1}\right] = \frac{1}{2}E[X_{n-1}] + E[X_n] + \frac{1}{2}E[X_{n+1}] = 2a$$

**(3 p) (c)** Here we go:

$$C_Y[m, k] = E[Y_m Y_{m+k}] - E[Y_m]E[Y_{m+k}] = E[Y_m Y_{m+k}] - 4a^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
E[Y_m Y_{m+k}] &= E\left[\left(\frac{1}{2}X_{m-1} + X_m + \frac{1}{2}X_{m+1}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}X_{m+k-1} + X_{m+k} + \frac{1}{2}X_{m+k+1}\right)\right] \\
&= E\left[\frac{1}{4}X_{m-1}X_{m+k-1} + \frac{1}{2}X_{m-1}X_{m+k} + \frac{1}{4}X_{m-1}X_{m+k+1} \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{1}{4}X_mX_{m+k-1} + \frac{1}{2}X_mX_{m+k} + \frac{1}{4}X_mX_{m+k+1} \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{1}{4}X_{m+1}X_{m+k-1} + \frac{1}{2}X_{m+1}X_{m+k} + \frac{1}{4}X_{m+1}X_{m+k+1}\right] \\
&= \frac{1}{4}R_X(k) + \frac{1}{2}R_X(k+1) + \frac{1}{4}R_X(k+2) \\
&\quad \frac{1}{2}R_X(k-1) + R_X(k) + \frac{1}{2}R_X(k+1) \\
&\quad \frac{1}{4}R_X(k-2) + \frac{1}{2}R_X(k-1) + \frac{1}{4}R_X(k) \\
&= 1\frac{1}{2}R_X(k) + R_X(k+1) + R_X(k-1) + \frac{1}{4}R_X(k+2) + \frac{1}{4}R_X(k-2)
\end{aligned}$$

So we try a few:

$$C_Y[m, 0] = 3/2(1 + a^2) + a^2 + a^2 + \frac{1}{4}a^2 + \frac{1}{4}a^2 - 4a^2 = 1\frac{1}{2}$$

$$C_Y[m, 1] = 3/2a^2 + a^2 + (1 + a^2) + \frac{1}{4}a^2 + \frac{1}{4}a^2 - 4a^2 = 1$$

and

$$C_Y[m, 2] = 3/2a^2 + a^2 + a^2 + \frac{1}{4}a^2 + \frac{1}{4}(1 + a^2) - 4a^2 = \frac{1}{4}$$

and

$$C_Y[m, 3] = 3/2a^2 + a^2 + a^2 + \frac{1}{4}a^2 + \frac{1}{4}a^2 - 4a^2 = 0$$

**(2 p) (d)**  $Y_n$  is not iid random sequence, because there is correlation between consecutive timepoints.

**(3 p) (e)** The autocorrelation of  $Z_n = Y_n + W_n$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
R_Z(m, k) &= E[(Y_m + W_m)(Y_{m+k} + W_{m+k})] \\
&= E[Y_m Y_{m+k}] + E[Y_m W_{m+k}] + E[W_m Y_{m+k}] + E[W_m W_{m+k}] \\
&= R_Y(k) + 0 + 0 + R_W(k)
\end{aligned}$$

because  $W$  is mutually uncorrelated with  $Y$ . Now fill in some values for  $k$ :

$$R_Z(k) = \begin{cases} 1.5 + 4a^2 + 4 & k = 0 \\ 1 + 4a^2 + 2 & |k| = 1 \\ \frac{1}{4} + 4a^2 + 1 & |k| = 2 \\ 4a^2 + 1 & |k| > 2 \end{cases}$$

### Question 3 - Estimation (10 p)

(2 p) (a) With  $a = 2$  and  $b = 0$ :

$$f_X(x) = e^{-2|x|} \quad (2)$$

so

$$F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-2|u|} du \quad (3)$$

Make a distinction for  $x < 0$  and  $x > 0$ . For  $x < 0$ :

$$F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x e^{2u} du = \left[ \frac{1}{2} e^{2u} \right]_{-\infty}^x = \frac{1}{2} e^{2x}$$

For  $x > 0$ :

$$F_X(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \int_0^x e^{-2u} du = \frac{1}{2} + \left[ -\frac{1}{2} e^{-2u} \right]_0^x = 1 - \frac{1}{2} e^{-2x}$$

(2 p) (b) First:

$$P[X \in (-\infty, -s)] = F_X(-s) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-2s} \quad (4)$$

and

$$P[X \in [-s, s]] = F_X(s) - F_X(-s) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} e^{-2s} - \frac{1}{2} e^{-2s} \quad (5)$$

If we equate them:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2}e^{-2s} &= 1 - e^{-2s} \\ \frac{3}{2}e^{-2s} &= 1 \\ e^{-2s} &= \frac{2}{3} \\ -2s &= \log \frac{2}{3} \\ s &= -\frac{1}{2} \log \frac{2}{3} \approx 0.2027\end{aligned}$$

**(2 p) (c)** Use Chebyshev:

$$P[|X - \mu_X| \geq s] \leq \frac{\text{Var}[X]}{s^2} = \frac{2/a^2}{s^2} = \frac{1}{2s^2} \approx 12.16(!)$$

**(1 p) (d)** Because we chose  $s$  such that the probability in each of the three parts is equal, we know that  $P(X < -s) + P(X > +s) = 2/3$ . That is already pretty likely, but Chebyshev's inequality can only say that with a probability MORE than 1 it will happen. That is because Chebyshev holds for all possible distributions.

**(2 p) (e)** We have a discrete distribution, with three different values:

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3} & y = 1, 2, 3 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

So:

$$E[Y] = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} = 2$$

and:

$$E[Y^2] = 1^2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 2^2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 3^2 \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{14}{3} = 4\frac{2}{3}$$

and therefore  $\text{Var}[Y] = E[Y^2] - E[Y]^2 = 4\frac{2}{3} - 4 = \frac{2}{3}$ .

**(1 p) (f)** Ha! Notice that this can never happen, so  $P[X > 2c|Y = 1] = 0$ .

## Question 4 - Markov Chains (9 p)

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(1 p) (a) Bla

(1 p) (b) Bla

Given the Markov chain shown below:

