

# MVE135 Random Processes with Applications

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GRADES: 12 (40%), 18 (60%) and 24 (80%) points for grade 3, 4 and 5, respectively.

**Task 1.** Calculate  $E(X|X > 0)$  for a random variable  $X \sim N(0, 1)$ . (5 points)

**Task 2.** Find the PDF  $f_X(x)$  of  $X$  when  $(X, Y)$  is a pair of random variables with joint PDF  $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}\pi} e^{-2(x^2 - xy + y^2)/3}$  for  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ . (5 points)

**Task 3.** Let  $X(t)$  be a continuous time WSS random process defined for all real times  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Is the time reversed process  $Y(t) = X(-t)$  also WSS? (The answer must be motivated!) (5 points)

**Task 4.** Calculate the probability  $P(X(3) > X(2) > X(1))$  for a Poisson process  $X(t)$  with rate  $\lambda$ . (5 points).

**Task 5.** For which frequency  $f_0 > 1$  does the lowpass WSS random process  $X(t)$  with PSD  $S_{XX}(f) = 1$  for  $|f| \leq f_0$  and  $S_{XX}(f) = 0$  otherwise have the same average normalized power  $R_{XX}(0)$  as the average normalized power  $R_{YY}(0)$  of the bandpass WSS random process  $Y(t)$  with PSD  $S_{YY}(f) = 1$  for  $|f - f_0| \leq 1$ ,  $S_{YY}(f) = 1$  for  $|f + f_0| \leq 1$  and  $S_{YY}(f) = 0$  otherwise? (5 points)

**Task 6.** Let  $e[n]$  be discrete time Gaussian noise with zero mean and unit variance. Given a constant  $a \in (-1, 1)$ , how can the Fourier transform (/frequency analysis) techniques of Chapter 11 in the book be employed to establish that the discrete time random process  $X[n] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a^k e[n-k]$  has autocorrelation function  $R_{XX}[n] = a^{|n|}/(1-a^2)$ ? (The required calculations need not be carried out in full detail - it is sufficient to just outline what should be done.) (5 points)

**Good Luck!**

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### Solutions to Written Exam Monday 9 January 2012

**Task 1.** We have  $f_{X|X>0}(x) = f_X(x)/P(X > 0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2}/(1/2) = \sqrt{2/\pi} e^{-x^2/2}$  for  $x > 0$ , so that  $E(X|X > 0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|X>0}(x) dx = \int_0^{\infty} x \sqrt{2/\pi} e^{-x^2/2} dx = \sqrt{2/\pi}$ .

**Task 2.** We have  $f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}\pi} e^{-2(x^2-xy+y^2)/3} dy = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}\pi} e^{-2(y-x/2)^2/3-x^2/2} dy = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}(\sqrt{3}/2)} e^{-(y-x/2)^2/(2(\sqrt{3}/2)^2)} dy = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{N(x/2,(\sqrt{3}/2)^2)}(y) dy = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2}$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Task 3.** We have  $\mu_Y(t) = E(Y(t)) = E(X(-t)) = \mu_X(-t) = \mu_X = \text{constant}$  and  $R_{YY}(t, t+\tau) = E(Y(t)Y(t+\tau)) = E(X(-t)X(-(t+\tau))) = R_{XX}(-t, -(t+\tau)) = R_X(-(t+\tau) - (-t)) = R_X(-\tau) = R_X(\tau)$  a function of  $\tau$  only, so that  $Y(t)$  is also WSS.

**Task 4.**  $P(X(3) > X(2) > X(1)) = P(X(3) - X(2) > 0, X(2) - X(1) > 0) = P(X(3) - X(2) > 0) P(X(2) - X(1) > 0) = P(X(1) > 0)^2 = (1 - e^{-\lambda})^2$ .

**Task 5.** As  $R_{XX}(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{XX}(f) df = 2 f_0$  and  $R_{YY}(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{YY}(f) df = 4$  we must have  $f_0 = 2$ .

**Task 6.** See Example 11.3 in the book.