

# MVE136 Random Signals Analysis Fall 2011

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AIDS: Beta or 2 sheets (4 pages) of hand-written notes (computer print-outs and/or xerox-copies are not allowed), but not both these aids.

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

GOOD LUCK!

**Task 1.** Let  $(X, Y)$  be a continuous random variable with PDF  $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = e^{-x-y-xy} / (\int_0^\infty (1+z)^{-1} e^{-z} dz)$  for  $x, y \geq 0$  (and 0 otherwise). Find  $\mathbf{E}\{X|Y=y\}$ . (5 points)

**Task 2.** Give an example of a WSS random process that is not strict sense stationary. (5 points)

**Task 3.** Find  $\mathbf{E}\{X_k\}$  for  $k \geq 0$  for a Markov chain  $\{X_k\}_{k=0}^\infty$  with states  $\{0, 1, 2\}$  and transition probability matrix

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2/3 & 1/3 \\ 1/4 & 0 & 3/4 \end{pmatrix}$$

when the initial distribution  $\pi(0)$  is equal to the stationary distribution  $\pi$ . (5 points)

**Task 4.** As you know, the Fourier transform  $(\mathcal{F}g)(f)$  and inverse Fourier transform  $(\mathcal{F}^{-1}g)(t)$  of a function  $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are given by

$$(\mathcal{F}g)(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-j2\pi ft} g(t) dt \quad \text{and} \quad (\mathcal{F}^{-1}g)(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j2\pi ft} g(f) df,$$

respectively, and satisfy  $(\mathcal{F}^{-1}\mathcal{F}g)(t) = g(t)$ . Prove that  $(\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}g)(t) = g(-t)$ . (5 points)

**Task 5.** Show that the output  $\{Y(n)\}_{n=-\infty}^\infty$  of a discrete time LTI system with impulse response  $h(n) = 2(-\frac{1}{2})^n - (-\frac{1}{4})^n$  for  $n \geq 0$  (and 0 otherwise) is white noise when the input  $\{X(n)\}_{n=-\infty}^\infty$  is given by  $X(n) = e(n) + \frac{3}{4}e(n-1) + \frac{1}{8}e(n-2)$ , where  $\{e(n)\}_{n=-\infty}^\infty$  is white noise with  $\mathbf{E}\{e(n)^2\} = 1$ . (5 points)

**Task 6.** We have collected four measurements

$$x[0] = 0.3, \quad x[1] = -0.2, \quad x[2] = 0.1 \quad \text{and} \quad x[3] = -0.3,$$

of a discrete time WSS random process  $\{x[n]\}_{n=-\infty}^\infty$  and we wish to find a mathematical model for the measured process. We select to use a simple AR(1)-model  $x[n] + a_1 x[n-1] = e[n]$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , where  $\{e[n]\}_{n=-\infty}^\infty$  is discrete time white noise: Your task is to estimate the parameter  $a_1$  and the white noise variance  $\sigma_e^2 = \mathbf{E}\{e[n]^2\}$ . (5 points)

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## Solutions to written exam Thursday 20 October 2011

**Task 1.** As  $f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x-y-xy} dx / (\int_0^{\infty} (1+z)^{-1} e^{-z} dz) = (1+y)^{-1} e^{-y} / (\int_0^{\infty} (1+z)^{-1} e^{-z} dz)$  for  $y \geq 0$  (and 0 otherwise) we have  $f_{X|Y}(x|y) = f_{X,Y}(x,y)/f_Y(y) = (1+y) e^{-x-xy}$  for  $x, y \geq 0$  (and 0 otherwise), so that  $\mathbf{E}\{X|Y=y\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx = \int_0^{\infty} x(1+y) e^{-x(1+y)} dx = \dots = (1+y)^{-1}$  for  $y \geq 0$ .

**Task 2.** For example, the process  $\{X(t)\}_{t \in \mathbb{Z}}$  made up of independent random variables that are  $N(0,1)$ -distributed for  $t$  even and that have a discrete Rademacher distribution with PMF  $P_{X(t)}(-1) = P_{X(t)}(1) = 1/2$  for  $t$  odd, as this process is zero-mean with autocorrelation function  $R_{XX}(\tau) = \delta(\tau)$ , but clearly is not strict sense stationary.

**Task 3.** The stationary distribution  $\pi = (\pi_0 \pi_1 \pi_2)$  solves the system of equations  $\pi = \pi P$  with  $\sum_{n=0}^2 \pi_n = 1$ , which readily gives  $\pi = (2/9 \ 1/3 \ 4/9)$ . As  $\pi(0) = \pi$  we have  $\pi(k) = \pi$  for all  $k \geq 0$ , so that (with obvious notation)  $\mathbf{E}\{X_k\} = \mathbf{E}\{\pi\} = 0 \cdot 2/9 + 1 \cdot 1/3 + 2 \cdot 4/9 = 11/9$  for  $k \geq 0$ .

**Task 4.** As  $(\mathcal{F}g)(f) = (\mathcal{F}^{-1}g)(-f)$  we have  $(\mathcal{F}\mathcal{F}g)(t) = (\mathcal{F}^{-1}\mathcal{F}g)(-t) = g(-t)$ .

**Task 5.** We can view  $X(n)$  as the output from an LTI system with input  $e(n)$  and impulse response  $g$  given by  $g(0) = 1$ ,  $g(1) = \frac{3}{4}$ ,  $g(2) = \frac{1}{8}$  and  $g(n) = 0$  otherwise. As  $S_{ee}(f) = 1$  this gives  $S_{XX}(f) = S_{ee}(f) |G(f)|^2 = |1 + \frac{3}{4} e^{-j2\pi f} + \frac{1}{8} e^{-j4\pi f}|^2$ . Further, we have  $S_{YY}(f) = S_{XX}(f) |H(f)|^2$ , where  $H(f) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h(n) e^{-j2\pi n f} = 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-\frac{1}{2})^n e^{-j2\pi n f} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-\frac{1}{4})^n e^{-j2\pi n f} = 2/(1 + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j2\pi f}) - 1/(1 + \frac{1}{4} e^{-j2\pi f}) = 1/((1 + \frac{1}{2} e^{-j2\pi f})(1 + \frac{1}{4} e^{-j2\pi f})) = 1/(1 + \frac{3}{4} e^{-j2\pi f} + \frac{1}{8} e^{-j4\pi f}) = 1/G(f)$ .

**Task 6.** As the autocorrelation function  $r_x[k]$  of the AR(1)-process satisfies the Yule-Walker equations

$$a_1 r_x[0] + r_x[1] = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad r_x[0] + a_1 r_x[1] = \sigma_e^2,$$

we obtain estimates  $\hat{a}_1$  and  $\hat{\sigma}_e^2$  of the parameters  $a_1$  and  $\sigma_e^2$  by solving the equations

$$\hat{a}_1 \hat{r}_x[0] + \hat{r}_x[1] = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{r}_x[0] + \hat{a}_1 \hat{r}_x[1] = \hat{\sigma}_e^2,$$

where

$$\hat{r}_x[0] = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^3 x[n]^2 = \dots = 0.0575 \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{r}_x[1] = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^2 x[n] x[n+1] = \dots = -0.0275$$

are estimated values of the autocorrelation function. This gives  $\hat{a}_1 = 0.0275/0.0575$  and  $\hat{\sigma}_e^2 = 0.0575 - 0.0275^2/0.0575$ .