

2016 First Midterm for Stochastic Processes

1. Answer the following questions based on Fundamental Theorem and Theorem 9-2.

Fundamental Theorem and Theorem 9-2 For any linear system that is defined via convolution operation, i.e.,

$$\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{x}(t)} \quad \boxed{\mathbf{h}(\tau; t)} \quad \xrightarrow{\mathbf{y}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{h}(\tau; t) \mathbf{x}(t - \tau) d\tau} \end{array}$$

we have

$$\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\eta_x(t)} \quad \boxed{\mathbf{h}(\tau; t)} \quad \xrightarrow{\eta_y(t) = E[\mathbf{h}(\tau; t) * \eta_x(t)]} \end{array} \quad \text{(Fundamental Theorem)}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{R_{xx}(t_1, t_2)} \quad \boxed{\mathbf{h}^*(\tau; t_2)} \quad \xrightarrow{R_{xy}(t_1, t_2)} \quad \boxed{\mathbf{h}(\tau; t_1)} \quad \xrightarrow{R_{yy}(t_1, t_2)} \end{array} \quad \text{(Theorem 9-2)} \\ = E[\mathbf{h}^*(\tau; t_2) * R_{xx}(t_1, t_2)] \quad = E[\mathbf{h}^*(\tau; t_2) * \mathbf{h}(\tau; t_1) * R_{xx}(t_1, t_2)]$$

- (a) (6%) Prove that for a (deterministic) linear time-varying system with impulse response $\mathbf{h}(\tau; t) = h_1(\tau)e^{j\omega_0 t}$, a zero-mean WSS input always induces a zero-mean WSS output.
- (b) (4%) Continue from (a). Under the two premises that
- (i) both the system input $\mathbf{x}(t)$ and the system output $\mathbf{y}(t)$ are restricted to be zero-mean,
 - (ii) the reciprocal of the transfer function $H_1(\omega)$ has inverse Fourier transform, prove that if the output process $\mathbf{y}(t)$ is WSS, then the input process $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is WSS, where $H_1(\omega)$ is the Fourier transform of $h_1(\tau)$.
Hint: $\mathbf{Y}(\omega) = H(\omega - \omega_0)\mathbf{X}(\omega - \omega_0)$.
- (c) (4%) Give an impulse response $h_1(\tau)$ that violates the second premise in (b). Show that for your $h_1(\tau)$, a zero-mean non-WSS input process $\mathbf{x}(t)$ may induce a zero-mean WSS output $\mathbf{y}(t)$.

Solution.

- (a) Given that $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is zero-mean WSS, we derive

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_y(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau; t) \eta_x(t - \tau) d\tau \quad \text{(By Fundamental Theorem)} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau; t) \eta_x d\tau \quad \text{(By WSS of } \mathbf{x}(t)) \\ &= \eta_x \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau; t) d\tau \\ &= 0 \quad \text{(Due to zero-mean } \mathbf{x}(t)) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
R_{yy}(t_1, t_2) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(s; t_2) h(\tau; t_1) R_{xx}(t_1 - \tau, t_2 - s) d\tau ds \quad (\text{By Theorem 9-2}) \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(s; t_2) h(\tau; t_1) R_{xx}(t_1 - t_2 - \tau + s) d\tau ds \quad (\text{By WSS of } \mathbf{x}(t)) \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_1^*(s) e^{-j\omega_0 t_2} h_1(\tau) e^{j\omega_0 t_1} R_{xx}(t_1 - t_2 - \tau + s) d\tau ds \\
&= e^{j\omega_0(t_1 - t_2)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_1^*(s) h_1(\tau) R_{xx}((t_1 - t_2) - \tau + s) d\tau ds.
\end{aligned}$$

Since $\eta_y(t)$ is equal to zero and $R_{yy}(t_1, t_2)$ is only a function of $(t_1 - t_2)$, $\mathbf{y}(t)$ is zero-mean WSS.

- (b) $\mathbf{Y}(\omega) = H(\omega - \omega_0)\mathbf{X}(\omega - \omega_0)$ implies that $\mathbf{X}(\omega) \triangleq \tilde{H}(\omega + \omega_0)\mathbf{Y}(\omega + \omega_0)$, where $\tilde{H}(\omega + \omega_0) = 1/H(\omega)$. Let $\tilde{h}_1(\tau)$ be the inverse Fourier transform of $\tilde{H}_1(\omega)$. Then, $\mathbf{x}(t) = \tilde{h}_1(\tau) e^{j(-\omega_0)t} \star \mathbf{y}(t)$. By treating $\mathbf{x}(t)$ as output and $\mathbf{y}(t)$ as input, we can use (a) to confirm that if $\mathbf{y}(t)$ is zero-mean WSS, then $\mathbf{x}(t)$ must be zero-mean WSS.

Note: (a) and (b) jointly implies that under $\mathbf{h}(\tau; t) = h_1(\tau) e^{j\omega_0 t}$ and the two premises, $\mathbf{y}(t)$ is WSS iff $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is WSS.

- (c) We require that $1/H_1(\omega)$ does not have Fourier transform. A simple example is to have $H_1(\omega) = 0$. In such case, $\mathbf{y}(t)$ is a zero process for any input process, and thus $\mathbf{y}(t)$ is zero-mean WSS for any non-WSS input process.

Note: Any $H_1(\omega)$ that equals zero over $\omega_1 < \omega < \omega_2$ for some $\omega_1 < \omega_2$ can serve as an example. However, it may be tricky to show how a non-WSS input induces a WSS output for such an $H_1(\omega)$.

2. Suppose $\mathbf{x}(t) = \text{Re}\{\mathbf{z}(t)\}$, where $\text{Re}\{\cdot\}$ denotes the operation of taking the real part. This is a linear system with input $\mathbf{z}(t)$ and output $\mathbf{x}(t)$ since it satisfies the superposition principle.

- (a) (6%) Determine the relation between $\eta_z(t)$ and $\eta_x(t)$, where $\eta_z(t)$ and $\eta_x(t)$ are the mean functions of $\mathbf{z}(t)$ and $\mathbf{x}(t)$, respectively. Can we apply the Fundamental Theorem to the system? Justify your answer.

Hint: By the system setting, the Fundamental Theorem states that $\eta_x(t) = \text{Re}\{\eta_z(t)\}$.

- (b) (6%) Prove that Theorem 9-2 can be applied to the system if, and only if, for any t_1 and t_2 ,

$$R_{xy}(t_1, t_2) = R_{yy}(t_1, t_2) = 0,$$

where $\mathbf{z}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t) + j\mathbf{y}(t)$.

Hint: By the system setting, Theorem 9-2 states that $R_{zx}(t_1, t_2) = \text{Re}\{R_{zz}(t_1, t_2)\}$ and $R_{xx}(t_1, t_2) = \text{Re}\{R_{zx}(t_1, t_2)\}$. Thus, you should prove that $R_{zx}(t_1, t_2) = \text{Re}\{R_{zz}(t_1, t_2)\}$ and $R_{xx}(t_1, t_2) = \text{Re}\{R_{zx}(t_1, t_2)\}$ if, and only if, $R_{xy}(t_1, t_2) = R_{yy}(t_1, t_2) = 0$.

- (c) (4%) $R_{yy}(t_1, t_2) = 0$ actually indicates $E[\mathbf{y}^2(t)] = 0$, which in turns implies $\mathbf{y}(t) = 0$ with probability 1. Thus, Theorem 9-2 can be applied to the linear system, defined by

$\text{Re}\{\cdot\}$, only when the input process is trivially real. Infer the reason why Theorem 9-2 can be applied to a linear system like differentiators that have no impulse responses, but in general cannot be applied to $\text{Re}\{\cdot\}$ except for the trivial case.

Solution.

- (a) $\eta_x(t) = E[\mathbf{x}(t)] = E[\text{Re}\{\mathbf{z}(t)\}] = \text{Re}\{E[\mathbf{z}(t)]\} = \text{Re}\{\eta_z(t)\}$. Since we can obtain $\eta_x(t)$ at the system output by placing $\eta_z(t)$ at the system input, the Fundamental Theorem can be applied to the system.
- (b) Derive

$$\begin{aligned} R_{zx}(t_1, t_2) &= E[\mathbf{z}(t_1)\mathbf{x}^*(t_2)] = E[\mathbf{z}(t_1)\mathbf{x}(t_2)] \\ &= E\left[\mathbf{z}(t_1)\left(\frac{\mathbf{z}(t_2) + \mathbf{z}^*(t_2)}{2}\right)\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}E[\mathbf{z}(t_1)\mathbf{z}(t_2)] + \frac{1}{2}R_{zz}(t_1, t_2) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} R_{xx}(t_1, t_2) &= E[\mathbf{x}(t_1)\mathbf{x}^*(t_2)] \\ &= E\left[\left(\frac{\mathbf{z}(t_1) + \mathbf{z}^*(t_1)}{2}\right)\mathbf{x}^*(t_2)\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}E[\mathbf{z}(t_1)\mathbf{x}^*(t_2)] + \frac{1}{2}E[\mathbf{z}^*(t_1)\mathbf{x}^*(t_2)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2}E[\mathbf{z}(t_1)\mathbf{x}^*(t_2)] + \frac{1}{2}E[\mathbf{z}^*(t_1)\mathbf{x}(t_2)] \quad (\text{By } \mathbf{x}^*(t) = \mathbf{x}(t)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}R_{zx}(t_1, t_2) + \frac{1}{2}R_{zx}^*(t_1, t_2) \\ &= \text{Re}\{R_{zx}(t_1, t_2)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $R_{xx}(t_1, t_2) = \text{Re}\{R_{zx}(t_1, t_2)\}$ fulfills the need of Theorem 9-2 but $R_{zx}(t_1, t_2) \neq \text{Re}\{R_{zz}(t_1, t_2)\}$. As a result of Eq. (1), Theorem 9-2 can be applied to the system if, and only if, $E[\mathbf{z}(t_1)\mathbf{z}(t_2)] = R_{zz}^*(t_1, t_2) = E[\mathbf{z}^*(t_1)\mathbf{z}(t_2)]$, which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} E[\mathbf{z}(t_1)\mathbf{z}(t_2)] &= E[\mathbf{z}^*(t_1)\mathbf{z}(t_2)] \\ \Leftrightarrow E[(\mathbf{z}(t_1) - \mathbf{z}^*(t_1))\mathbf{z}(t_2)] &= 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow E[\mathbf{y}(t_1)\mathbf{z}(t_2)] &= 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow E[\mathbf{x}(t_2)\mathbf{y}(t_1)] &= E[\mathbf{y}(t_1)\mathbf{y}(t_2)] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) According to the proofs of Fundamental Theorem and Theorem 9-2, the two theorems holds for all linear systems that have impulse responses. Although a differentiator cannot be defined via a legitimate impulse response, it can be defined via a “transfer function” ($j\omega$), which can be regarded as the Fourier transform of an “extended impulse response.” As a result, the two theorems can still be applied to those linear systems that are defined based on such an “extended impulse response.” However, $\text{Re}\{\cdot\}$ cannot be defined through an “extended impulse response” (i.e., “transfer function”) since

$\mathbf{x}(t) = \text{Re}\{\mathbf{z}(t)\} = \frac{1}{2}[\mathbf{z}(t) + \mathbf{z}^*(t)]$ implies $\mathbf{X}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2}[\mathbf{Z}(\omega) + \mathbf{Z}^*(-\omega)]$, and there does not exist a universal $H(\omega)$ to satisfy $\frac{1}{2}[\mathbf{Z}(\omega) + \mathbf{Z}^*(-\omega)] = H(\omega)\mathbf{Z}(\omega)$; thus, Theorem 9-2 cannot be applied to such a linear system.

3. (a) (6%) Suppose $h(\tau; t) = h(\tau)$ is time-invariant (See Theorem 9-2 in Problem 1), and let

$$S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{xx}(t_1, t_2) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2$$

$$S_{xy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{xy}(t_1, t_2) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2$$

$$S_{yy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{yy}(t_1, t_2) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2$$

and

$$H(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) e^{-j\omega\tau} d\tau.$$

Prove that

$$S_{xy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = H^*(-\omega_2) S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) \quad \text{and} \quad S_{yy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = H(\omega_1) S_{xy}(\omega_1, \omega_2).$$

Hint:

$$\begin{aligned} S_{xy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{xy}(t_1, t_2) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2 \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau) R_{xx}(t_1, t_2 - \tau) d\tau \right) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} S_{yy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{yy}(t_1, t_2) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2 \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) R_{xy}(t_1 - \tau, t_2) d\tau \right) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (6%) Suppose we receive a real process $\mathbf{x}(t)$ with autocorrelation function $R_{xx}(t_1, t_2)$ (which is not necessarily WSS). We wish to construct another real process $\mathbf{y}(t)$ as the output due to input $\mathbf{x}(t)$ and a linear time-invariant filter with real impulse response $h(\tau)$, which satisfies

$$R_{xx}(t_1, t_2) = R_{yy}(t_1, t_2) \quad \text{and} \quad R_{xy}(t_1, t_2) = -R_{yx}(t_1, t_2).$$

Prove that the transfer function of the filter should satisfy that for any ω_1 and ω_2 with $0 < |S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2)| < \infty$,

$$i) H^*(-\omega_2)H(\omega_1) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad ii) H(\omega_1) = -H^*(-\omega_2).$$

Hint: Use the results from (a). Here are recapitulations from my slides.

- By Theorem 9-4 (cf. Slide 9-104),

$$S_{xy}(\omega) = S_{xx}(\omega)H^*(\omega) \quad \text{and} \quad S_{yy}(\omega) = S_{xx}(\omega)|H(\omega)|^2.$$

- From $\mathbf{X}(\omega) = \mathbf{Y}(\omega)[1/H(\omega)]$ and Theorem 9-4 (exchanging the roles of $\mathbf{x}(t)$ and $\mathbf{y}(t)$), we obtain

$$S_{yx}(\omega) = S_{yy}(\omega)[1/H(\omega)]^* = S_{xx}(\omega)|H(\omega)|^2[1/H(\omega)]^* = S_{xx}(\omega)H(\omega).$$

- (c) (4%) Continue from (b). Suppose $0 < |S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2)| < \infty$ for every $\omega_1, \omega_2 \in \mathfrak{R}$. Prove that either 1) $H(\omega) = j$ for every $\omega \in \mathfrak{R}$ or 2) $H(\omega) = -j$ for every $\omega \in \mathfrak{R}$.

Note: Here, $j = \sqrt{-1}$.

- (d) (4%) Prove that

$$\mathbf{z}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t) + j\mathbf{y}(t), \quad R_{xx}(t_1, t_2) = R_{yy}(t_1, t_2) \quad \text{and} \quad R_{xy}(t_1, t_2) = -R_{yx}(t_1, t_2)$$

jointly imply that for every $t_1 \neq t_2$,

$$E[\mathbf{z}(t_1)\mathbf{z}(t_2)] = 0.$$

Solution.

- (a)

$$\begin{aligned} S_{xy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau) R_{xx}(t_1, t_2 - \tau) d\tau \right) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2 \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{R_{xx}(t_1, t_2 - \tau)}_{=t'_2} e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2 \right) d\tau \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{xx}(t_1, t'_2) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 (t'_2 + \tau)} dt_1 dt'_2 \right) d\tau \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau) e^{-j\omega_2 \tau} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{xx}(t_1, t'_2) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t'_2} dt_1 dt'_2 \right) d\tau \\ &= S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau) e^{-j\omega_2 \tau} d\tau \\ &= S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) e^{-j(-\omega_2)\tau} d\tau \right)^* \\ &= S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) H^*(-\omega_2), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S_{yy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{yy}(t_1, t_2) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2 \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) R_{xy}(t_1 - \tau, t_2) d\tau \right) e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2 \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \underbrace{R_{xy}(t_1 - \tau, t_2)}_{=t'_1} e^{-j\omega_1 t_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt_1 dt_2 \right) d\tau \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{xy}(t'_1, t_2) e^{-j\omega_1(t'_1 + \tau)} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt'_1 dt_2 \right) d\tau \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) e^{-j\omega_1 \tau} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{xy}(t'_1, t_2) e^{-j\omega_1 t'_1} e^{-j\omega_2 t_2} dt'_1 dt_2 \right) d\tau \\
&= R_{xy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) H(\omega_1)
\end{aligned}$$

(b) By (a),

$$S_{xy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) H^*(-\omega_2)$$

and

$$S_{yy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) H^*(-\omega_2) H(\omega_1).$$

From $\mathbf{X}(\omega) = \mathbf{Y}(\omega)[1/H(\omega)]$ (exchanging the roles of $\mathbf{x}(t)$ and $\mathbf{y}(t)$), we obtain again from (a) that

$$S_{yx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = S_{yy}(\omega_1, \omega_2)[1/H(-\omega_2)]^* = S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) H(\omega_1).$$

In order to have

$$S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = S_{yy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) H^*(-\omega_2) H(\omega_1)$$

and

$$S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) H^*(-\omega_2) = S_{xy}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = -S_{yx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) = -S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2) H(\omega_1),$$

we require that for every ω_1 and ω_2 satisfying that $0 < |S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2)| < \infty$,

$$i) H^*(-\omega_2) H(\omega_1) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad ii) H(\omega_1) = -H^*(-\omega_2).$$

(c) The two conditions in (b) jointly imply

$$H^2(\omega_1) = -H^*(-\omega_2) H(\omega_1) = -1,$$

which in turns implies $H(\omega_1) = \pm j$. Taking $H(\omega_1) = j$ into *ii*) yields that $H(-\omega_2) = j$ for every ω_2 with $0 < |S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2)| < \infty$, i.e., $H(\omega) = j$ for every $\omega \in \mathfrak{R}$. Similarly, taking $H(\omega_1) = -j$ into *ii*) yields that $H(-\omega_2) = -j$ for every ω_2 with $0 < |S_{xx}(\omega_1, \omega_2)| < \infty$, i.e., $H(\omega) = -j$ for every $\omega \in \mathfrak{R}$.

(d)

$$\begin{aligned}
E[\mathbf{z}(t_1)\mathbf{z}(t_2)] &= E[(\mathbf{x}(t_1) + j\mathbf{y}(t_1))(\mathbf{x}(t_2) + j\mathbf{y}(t_2))] \\
&= E[\mathbf{x}(t_1)\mathbf{x}(t_2)] + jE[\mathbf{x}(t_1)\mathbf{y}(t_2)] + jE[\mathbf{y}(t_1)\mathbf{x}(t_2)] - E[\mathbf{y}(t_1)\mathbf{y}(t_2)] \\
&= [R_{xx}(t_1, t_2) - R_{yy}(t_1, t_2)] + j[R_{xy}(t_1, t_2) + R_{yx}(t_1, t_2)] \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

4. Suppose that $\varphi(t) = \begin{cases} \mathbf{n}[0, t], & t \geq 0; \\ \mathbf{n}[t, 0], & t < 0 \end{cases}$, where

- i) $\mathbf{n}[t_1, t_2]$ is Gaussian distributed with mean zero and variance $(t_2 - t_1)$,
 ii) and $\mathbf{n}[t_1, t_2]$ and $\mathbf{n}[t_3, t_4]$ are independent if $[t_1, t_2]$ and $[t_3, t_4]$ are non-overlapping intervals.

(a) (6%) Based on the definition below, prove that $\varphi(t)$ is a Gaussian random process.

Definition A random process $\{\mathbf{x}(t), t \in \mathcal{I}\}$ is said to be a *Gaussian random process* if all finite collections of samples of the process are Gaussian random vectors.

Hint: What is the joint distribution of $\varphi(s_1), \dots, \varphi(s_m), \varphi(t_1), \dots, \varphi(t_k)$ for finite m and k under $s_1 < \dots < s_m \leq 0 < t_1 < \dots < t_k$?

- (b) (6%) Suppose $\mathbf{z}(t) = e^{j(\omega_0 t + \lambda \varphi(t) + \varphi_0)}$, where φ_0 is independent of $\varphi(t)$, and $E[e^{j\varphi_0}] = E[e^{j2\varphi_0}] = 0$. Is $\mathbf{z}(t)$ WSS? Justify your answer.
 (c) (6%) Prove that the time-averaged power spectrum density of $\mathbf{z}(t)$ is

$$\bar{S}_{zz}(\omega) = \frac{4\lambda^2}{\lambda^4 + 4(\omega - \omega_0)^2}.$$

(d) (4%) Is $\varphi(t)$ MS continuous? Is $\varphi(t)$ MS differentiable? Justify your answer.

Definition (MS continuity) A process $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is called *MS continuous* if

$$\lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} E[|\mathbf{x}(t + \epsilon) - \mathbf{x}(t)|^2] = 0 \text{ for every } t.$$

Definition (MS differentiability) A process $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is called *MS differentiable* if

$$\lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} E \left[\left| \frac{\mathbf{x}(t + \epsilon) - \mathbf{x}(t)}{\epsilon} - \left(\lim_{\gamma \downarrow 0} \frac{\mathbf{x}(t + \gamma) - \mathbf{x}(t)}{\gamma} \right) \right|^2 \right] = 0 \text{ for every } t.$$

(e) (4%) Can we approximate $S_{zz}(\omega)$ using the pdf $f_{\mathbf{c}_\epsilon}$ of $\mathbf{c}_\epsilon(0) \triangleq \frac{\varphi(\epsilon) - \varphi(0)}{\epsilon}$ as indicated by Woodward's Theorem? Justify your answer.

Theorem 10-4 (Woodward's Theorem) Let $\mathbf{x}(t) = \cos[\omega_0 t + \lambda \int_0^t \mathbf{c}(\alpha) d\alpha + \varphi_0]$. If the process $\mathbf{c}(t)$ is continuous and SSS with marginal density $f_{\mathbf{c}}(c)$, and also if $\mathbf{c}(t) \perp \varphi_0$, and $E[e^{j\varphi_0}] = E[e^{j2\varphi_0}] = 0$, then for large λ ,

$$S_{xx}(\omega) \approx \frac{\pi}{2\lambda} \left[f_{\mathbf{c}} \left(\frac{\omega - \omega_0}{\lambda} \right) + f_{\mathbf{c}} \left(\frac{-\omega - \omega_0}{\lambda} \right) \right].$$

(f) (4%) Can we find an optimal demodulation frequency ω_0^* for received signal $\mathbf{x}(t) = \text{Re}\{\mathbf{z}(t)\}$ such that $E[|\mathbf{w}'(t)|^2]$ is minimized, where $\mathbf{w}(t) = \mathbf{z}(t)e^{-j\omega_0^* t}$ is the demodulated baseband signal (that is obtained using the demodulation frequency ω_0^*)? Justify your answer.

Hint: Is $E[|\mathbf{w}'(t)|^2]$ finite?

Solution.

(a) By definition of $\varphi(t)$, we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varphi(s_1) \\ \varphi(s_2) \\ \vdots \\ \varphi(s_{m-1}) \\ \varphi(s_m) \\ \varphi(t_1) \\ \varphi(t_2) \\ \vdots \\ \varphi(t_k) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{n}[s_1, s_2] \\ \mathbf{n}[s_2, s_3] \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{n}[s_{m-1}, s_m] \\ \mathbf{n}[s_m, 0] \\ \mathbf{n}[0, t_1] \\ \mathbf{n}[t_1, t_2] \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{n}[t_{k-1}, t_k] \end{bmatrix}$$

and hence

$$[\varphi(s_1) \quad \varphi(s_2) \quad \cdots \quad \varphi(s_{m-1}) \quad \varphi(s_m) \quad \varphi(t_1) \quad \varphi(t_2) \quad \cdots \quad \varphi(t_k)]^T$$

is a linear combination of independent Gaussian random vectors and must be Gaussian distributed. Accordingly, $\varphi(t)$ is a Gaussian random process.

(b) $\mu_z(t) = E[\mathbf{z}(t)] = E[e^{j\lambda\varphi(t)}]E[e^{j\omega_0 t}]e^{j\omega_0 t} = 0$ is a constant, and

$$\begin{aligned} R_{zz}(t + \tau, t) &= E[\mathbf{z}(t + \tau)\mathbf{z}^*(t)] \\ &= E\left[e^{j(\omega_0(t+\tau) + \lambda\varphi(t+\tau) + \varphi_0)} e^{-j(\omega_0 t + \lambda\varphi(t) + \varphi_0)}\right] \\ &= e^{j\omega_0 \tau} E\left[e^{j\lambda[\varphi(t+\tau) - \varphi(t)]}\right] \\ &= \begin{cases} e^{j\omega_0 \tau} E\left[e^{j\lambda\mathbf{n}[t, t+\tau]}\right], & \tau \geq 0; \\ e^{j\omega_0 \tau} E\left[e^{j\lambda\mathbf{n}[t+\tau, t]}\right], & \tau < 0 \end{cases} \\ &= e^{j\omega_0 \tau} E\left[e^{j\lambda\mathbf{n}[0, |\tau|]}\right] \end{aligned}$$

is only a function of τ . Thus, $\mathbf{z}(t)$ is WSS.

(c)

$$R_{zz}(\tau) = e^{j\omega_0 \tau} E\left[e^{j\lambda\mathbf{n}[0, |\tau|]}\right] = e^{j\omega_0 \tau} e^{-\frac{1}{2}|\tau|\lambda^2}$$

implies

$$\begin{aligned}
S_{zz}(\omega) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j\omega_0\tau} e^{-\frac{1}{2}|\tau|\lambda^2} e^{-j\omega\tau} d\tau \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\tau} e^{-j(\omega-\omega_0)\tau} d\tau + \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2\tau} e^{-j(\omega-\omega_0)\tau} d\tau \quad (\tau' = -\tau) \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 + j(\omega-\omega_0))\tau} d\tau + \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 - j(\omega-\omega_0))\tau'} d\tau' \\
&= \frac{1}{-(\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 + j(\omega - \omega_0))} e^{-(\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 + j(\omega-\omega_0))\tau} \Big|_0^{\infty} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{-(\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 - j(\omega - \omega_0))} e^{-(\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 - j(\omega-\omega_0))\tau'} \Big|_0^{\infty} \\
&= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 + j(\omega - \omega_0)} + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}\lambda^2 - j(\omega - \omega_0)} \\
&= \frac{4\lambda^2}{\lambda^4 + 4(\omega - \omega_0)^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

- (d) Since $R_{zz}(\tau) = e^{j\omega_0\tau} e^{-\frac{1}{2}|\tau|\lambda^2}$ is continuous but not differentiable at $\tau = 0$, $z(t)$ is MS continuous but not MS differentiable.
- (e) $R_{zz}(\tau)$ is not MS differentiable at $\tau = 0$. Thus, Woodward's Theorem cannot be applied. In fact, $\lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} f_{c_\epsilon}$ is no longer a probability density function.

For your information, the time-averaged autocorrelation function and the time-averaged power spectrum density of $z_\epsilon(t) = e^{j(\omega_0 t + \lambda t \frac{\varphi(\epsilon) - \varphi(0)}{\epsilon} + \varphi_0)}$ are respectively given by

$$\bar{R}_{z_\epsilon z_\epsilon}(\tau) = e^{j\omega_0\tau} E \left[e^{j\lambda \frac{\varphi(0, \epsilon)}{\epsilon} \tau} \right] = e^{j\omega_0\tau} e^{-\frac{\lambda^2 \tau^2}{2\epsilon}}$$

and

$$\bar{S}_{z_\epsilon z_\epsilon} = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi\epsilon}}{\lambda} e^{-\frac{\epsilon(\omega - \omega_0)^2}{2\lambda^2}} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} f_{c_\epsilon} \left(\frac{\omega - \omega_0}{\lambda} \right).$$

- (f) Observation 1 indicates that $S_{ww}(\omega) = S_{zz}(\omega + \omega_0^*)$. Hence, the problem becomes to minimize

$$\begin{aligned}
M &\triangleq 2\pi E[|\mathbf{w}'(t)|^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{w'w'}(\omega) d\omega \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \omega^2 S_{ww}(\omega) d\omega = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\omega - \omega_0^*)^2 S_{zz}(\omega) d\omega.
\end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

At the first glance, the optimal ω_0^* that minimizes (2) should satisfy

$$\omega_0^* = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \omega S_{zz}(\omega) d\omega}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{zz}(\omega) d\omega}.$$

However, for any ω_0^* ,

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\omega - \omega_0^*)^2 S_{zz}(\omega) d\omega = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\omega - \omega_0^*)^2 \left(\frac{4\lambda^2}{\lambda^4 + 4(\omega - \omega_0)^2} \right) d\omega \\ &= \frac{\lambda^4}{4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\tilde{\omega} + \frac{2}{\lambda^2}(\omega_0 - \omega_0^*) \right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} \right) d\tilde{\omega} \quad (\tilde{\omega} = \frac{2}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega_0)) \\ &= \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we cannot find an ω_0^* that minimizes M .

For your information,

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_0^* &= \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \omega S_{zz}(\omega) d\omega}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{zz}(\omega) d\omega} \\ &= \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \omega \left(\frac{4\lambda^2}{\lambda^4 + 4(\omega - \omega_0)^2} \right) d\omega}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{4\lambda^2}{\lambda^4 + 4(\omega - \omega_0)^2} \right) d\omega} \quad (\tilde{\omega} = \frac{2}{\lambda^2}(\omega - \omega_0)) \\ &= \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\frac{\lambda^2}{2}\tilde{\omega} + \omega_0}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} d\tilde{\omega}}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} d\tilde{\omega}} \\ &= \left(\frac{\lambda^2}{4} \right) \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2\tilde{\omega}}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} d\tilde{\omega}}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} d\tilde{\omega}} + \omega_0 \\ &= \left(\frac{\lambda^2}{4} \right) \frac{\int_0^{\infty} \frac{2\tilde{\omega}}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} d\tilde{\omega} - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2\tilde{\omega}}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} d\tilde{\omega}}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} d\tilde{\omega}} + \omega_0 \\ &= \text{undefined} \end{aligned}$$

where the last step follows from $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} d\tilde{\omega} = \pi$ and $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2\tilde{\omega}}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} d\tilde{\omega} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2\tilde{\omega}}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} d\tilde{\omega} - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{2\tilde{\omega}}{1 + \tilde{\omega}^2} d\tilde{\omega} = \infty - \infty = \text{undefined}$.

5. Give a probability space $(S = \{\oplus, \ominus, \otimes, \oslash\}, \mathcal{F} = \{\emptyset, \{\oplus, \ominus\}, \{\otimes, \oslash\}, S\}, P)$, where $P(\{\oplus, \ominus\}) = 0.6$ and $P(\{\otimes, \oslash\}) = 0.4$.

(a) (4%) Is it possible to construct a (non-deterministic) Gaussian random process that is defined over the given probability space? Justify your answer.

Hint: See the definition of the Gaussian random process in the previous problem.

(b) (6%) Is it possible to construct a (weakly) white stationary process $\mathbf{w}(t)$ over the given probability space? Justify your answer.

Note: A process $\mathbf{w}(t)$ is (weakly) *white* if $\mathbf{w}(t_1)$ and $\mathbf{w}(t_2)$ are *uncorrelated* for every $t_1 \neq t_2$.

Solution.

(a) By definition, if $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is a Gaussian random process, $\mathbf{x}(t)$ for any t (a one-dimensional sample) must be a one-dimensional Gaussian random variable. However, $\mathbf{x}(t, \zeta)$ can at most map to two real values. Hence, $\mathbf{x}(t)$ can only be a degenerated Gaussian with zero

variance (by mapping $\mathbf{x}(t, \zeta)$ to the same value for every $\zeta \in S$). Thus, the answer to this question is negative!

(b) See the solution for sample problems for the first quiz.

6. (a) (6%) Prove that the autocorrelation function $R_{xx}(t_1, t_2)$ of a random process $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is non-negative definite, namely,

$$\sum_i \sum_j a_i a_j^* R_{xx}(t_i, t_j) \geq 0 \quad \text{for any complex } a_i \text{ and } a_j. \quad (3)$$

- (b) (4%) Give a function $R(t_1, t_2)$ that cannot be an autocorrelation function of a random process. Justify your answer.

Solution.

(a) See the solution for sample problems for the first quiz.

(b) See Slide 9-121 as one example. You can construct your examples as long as you can justify them.