

2017 Second Midterm for Stochastic Processes

1. (a) (4%) Let $\mathbf{x}(t)$ be zero-mean WSCS with period T . Sample $\mathbf{x}(t)$ at time instance nT_s for integer n , where T_s is the sampling period. For convenience, denote $\mathbf{x}_n = \mathbf{x}(nT_s)$. Is $\{\mathbf{x}_n\}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$ also zero-mean WSCS? If your answer is positive, prove it. If your answer is negative, give the necessary and sufficient condition under which $\{\mathbf{x}_n\}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$ is zero-mean WSCS.

Hint: $\{\mathbf{x}_n\}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$ is zero-mean WSCS if, and only if, there exists an integer M such that $R_{xx}[n, m] = R_{xx}[n + M, m + M]$.

- (b) (4%) Define $\mathbf{y}_n = \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{t}_n)$, where $\{\mathbf{t}_n\}$ is a strictly sense stationary process. Is $\{\mathbf{y}_n\}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$ WSCS? If YES, prove it; otherwise, give a counterexample.

Solution.

- (a) The answer is negative. To find the required necessary and sufficient condition, we infer that if $\{\mathbf{x}_n\}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$ is zero-mean WSCS, there exists an integer M such that $R_{xx}[n, m] = R_{xx}[n + M, m + M]$, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} R_{xx}(nT_s + MT_s, mT_s + MT_s) &= R_{xx}[n + M, m + M] \\ &= R_{xx}[n, m] = R_{xx}(nT_s, mT_s), \end{aligned}$$

which is valid for every WSCS $\mathbf{x}(t)$ with period T when MT_s is a multiple of T . As a consequence, $\{\mathbf{x}_n\}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$ is zero-mean WSCS if, and only if, T_s/T is a rational number.

- (b) Since \mathbf{y}_n must have zero mean, we can focus on the required WSCS property for auto-correlation functions. Derive

$$\begin{aligned} R_{yy}[n + M, m + M] &= E[\mathbf{y}_{n+M}\mathbf{y}_{m+M}^*] \\ &= E[\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{t}_{n+M})\mathbf{x}^*(\mathbf{t}_{m+M})] \\ &= E\{E[\mathbf{x}(s_{n+M})\mathbf{x}^*(s_{m+M})|\mathbf{t}_{n+M} = s_{n+M}, \mathbf{t}_{m+M} = s_{m+M}]\} \\ &= E[R_{xx}(\mathbf{t}_{n+M}, \mathbf{t}_{m+M})] \\ &= E[R_{xx}(\mathbf{t}_n, \mathbf{t}_m)] \quad (\text{because } \{\mathbf{t}_n\} \text{ is SSS}) \\ &= R_{yy}[n, m]; \end{aligned}$$

hence, $\{\mathbf{y}_n\}$ is zero-mean WSCS.

2. (a) (4%) What is the output process $\mathbf{y}(t)$ corresponding to feeding input process $\mathbf{x}(t)$ into linear filter with transfer function $H(\omega) = (1 - pe^{-j\omega T_0})^n$, where $0 < p < 2$ is a real number?

Hint: You shall represent $\mathbf{y}(t)$ as a linear combination of $\mathbf{x}(t)$ and $\{\mathbf{x}(t - kT_0)\}_{k=1}^n$.

- (b) (4%) Continue from (a). Show that $|\omega| < \frac{1}{T_0} \cos^{-1}(p/2)$ implies $|H(\omega)|^2 < 1$.
- (c) (6%) Can we use (b) to replace the multiplicative factor $1/3$ in the second condition in Theorem 10-10 (i.e., (ii) a number $T_0 < (1/3)\pi/\sigma$) with a larger number? Justify your answer.

Theorem 10-10 Fix (i) a BL process $\mathbf{x}(t)$ with bandwidth σ , (ii) a number $T_0 < (1/3)\pi/\sigma$, and (iii) a constant $\epsilon > 0$ arbitrarily small. There exists a (sufficiently large) positive integer n and a set of coefficients $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^n$ such that

$$\lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2w} \int_{-w}^w E \left[\left| \mathbf{x}(t) - \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \mathbf{x}(t - kT_0) \right|^2 \right] dt < \epsilon.$$

Solution.

(a) $(1 - pe^{-j\omega T_0})^n = \sum_{k=0}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} p^k e^{-jk\omega T_0} = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} p^k e^{-jk\omega T_0}$. Therefore, $\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{x}(t) - \sum_{k=1}^n (-1)^k \binom{n}{k} p^k \mathbf{x}(t - kT_0)$.

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} |H(\omega)|^2 &= |1 - pe^{-j\omega T_0}|^{2n} \\ &= |1 - p \cos(\omega T_0) + jp \sin(\omega T_0)|^{2n} \\ &= |1 + p^2 - 2p \cos(\omega T_0)|^n. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, when $|\omega| < \frac{1}{T_0} \cos^{-1}(p/2)$, we have $\frac{p}{2} < \cos(\omega T_0) \leq 1$, which implies

$$(1 - p)^2 \leq 1 + p^2 - 2p \cos(\omega T_0) < 1 + p^2 - 2p \times \frac{p}{2} = 1.$$

Consequently, $|H(\omega)|^2 \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(c) The answer to the question is positive, which can be justified as follows.

For a given σ , we need to choose T_0 such that $|H(\omega)|^2 \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for $|\omega| < \sigma$. From (b), we learn that σ , T_0 and p should satisfy

$$\sigma < \frac{1}{T_0} \cos^{-1}(p/2).$$

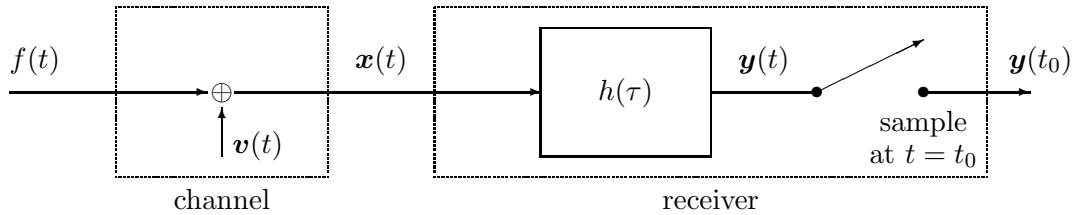
Therefore, the second condition can be generalized to

$$T_0 < \left(\frac{\cos^{-1}(p/2)}{\pi} \right) \frac{\pi}{\sigma}.$$

When $p = 1$, $\frac{\cos^{-1}(p/2)}{\pi} = \frac{1}{3}$. Taking any $p < 1$ can give a larger $\frac{\cos^{-1}(p/2)}{\pi}$.

3. In the system below, both $f(t)$ and $\mathbf{v}(t)$ are real. In addition, $\mathbf{v}(t)$ is zero-mean WSS with autocorrelation function $R_{vv}(\tau)$,

$$y_f(t) \triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) f(t - \tau) d\tau \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{y}_v(t) \triangleq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau) \mathbf{v}(t - \tau) d\tau.$$



(a) (6%) Given that $H(\omega)$ is of the shape:

$$H(\omega) = a_0 + a_m e^{-jm\omega T},$$

find the best real a_0 and a_m such that γ_o is maximized, where

$$R_{vv}(\tau) = \begin{cases} 1, & \tau = 0; \\ 0, & \tau = \pm T, \pm 2T, \dots \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_o = \frac{|y_f(t_0)|^2}{E[\mathbf{y}_v^2(t_0)]}.$$

(b) (6%) Alternatively, in the above system, find the optimal filter $h(\tau)$ such that $e \triangleq E\{\mathbf{y}(t_0) - f(t_0)\}^2$ is minimized, provided $f(t) = f(t_0)$ is a constant for $t \in [0, T]$, $R_{vv}(\tau) = \frac{N_0}{2}\delta(\tau)$, and $h(\tau) = 0$ outside $[0, T]$.

Solution.

(a) We can follow similar procedure in Slide 10-69. First note that $y_f(t_0) = a_0 f(t_0) + a_m f(t_0 - mT)$ and $\mathbf{y}_v(t_0) = a_0 \mathbf{v}(t_0) + a_m \mathbf{v}(t_0 - mT)$. Second, to maximize

$$\gamma_o = \frac{|y_f(t_0)|^2}{E[\mathbf{y}_v^2(t_0)]} = \frac{c^2}{E[\mathbf{y}_v^2(t_0)]}$$

is equivalent to the minimization of $E[\mathbf{y}_v^2(t_0)]$ subject to $y_f(t_0) = c$, followed by the maximization with respect to c . Using the Lagrange multiplier technique, we minimize

$$\begin{aligned} V &\triangleq E[\mathbf{y}_v^2(t_0)] - 2\lambda(y_f(t_0) - c) \\ &= (a_0^2 + a_m^2)R_{vv}(0) + 2a_0 a_m R_{vv}(mT) - 2\lambda(a_0 f(t_0) + a_m f(t_0 - mT) - c). \end{aligned}$$

Derive

$$\begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial V}{\partial a_0} = a_0 R_{vv}(0) + a_m R_{vv}(mT) - \lambda f(t_0) = 0; \\ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial V}{\partial a_m} = a_m R_{vv}(0) + a_0 R_{vv}(mT) - \lambda f(t_0 - mT) = 0 \end{cases}$$

This leads to:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_m \end{bmatrix} = \lambda \begin{bmatrix} f(t_0) \\ f(t_0 - mT) \end{bmatrix} \triangleq \lambda \vec{f}.$$

As a result, $\vec{a}_{\text{opt}} = \lambda \vec{f}$, and λ is chosen such that $\vec{a}_{\text{opt}}^T \vec{f} = c$, namely,

$$\vec{a}_{\text{opt}}^T \vec{f} = (\lambda \vec{f})^T \vec{f} = c \implies \lambda = \frac{c}{\vec{f}^T \vec{f}}.$$

With the availability of the result that

$$\vec{a}_{\text{opt}} = \frac{c}{\vec{f}^T \vec{f}} \vec{f}.$$

we obtain:

$$\gamma_o = \frac{y_f^2(t_0)}{E[\mathbf{y}_v^2(t_0)]} = \frac{c^2}{\vec{a}_{\text{opt}}^T \vec{a}_{\text{opt}}} = \frac{c^2}{c^2 \frac{\vec{f}^T \vec{f}}{(\vec{f}^T \vec{f})^2}} = \vec{f}^T \vec{f},$$

which is achieved by $\vec{a}_{\text{opt}} = \lambda \vec{f}$ for any $\lambda \neq 0$. (This can be regarded as a tapped-delay-line-structured matched filter.)

(b) We first notice that

$$b = \int_0^T h(\tau)f(t_0)d\tau - f(t_0) = f(t_0) \int_0^T h(\tau)d\tau - f(t_0).$$

By Lagrange multiplier technique, we minimize e subject to

$$\int_0^T h(\tau)d\tau = c,$$

and obtain that for $0 \leq v < T$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial e}{\partial h(v)} &= \frac{\partial \left[[f(t_0)(c-1)]^2 + \frac{N_0}{2} \int_0^T h^2(\tau)d\tau - \lambda \left(\int_0^T h(\tau)d\tau - c \right) \right]}{\partial h(v)} \\ &= N_0 h(v) - \lambda = 0. \end{aligned}$$

This implies $h_{\text{opt}}(v) = \lambda/N_0$ for $0 \leq v < T$.

Alternatively,

$$\begin{aligned} e &= [f(t_0)(c-1)]^2 + \frac{N_0}{2} \int_0^T h^2(\tau)d\tau - \lambda \left(\int_0^T h(\tau)d\tau - c \right) \\ &= \int_0^T \left(\frac{N_0}{2} h^2(\tau) - \lambda h(\tau) \right) d\tau + [f(t_0)(c-1)]^2 + \lambda c \\ &= \int_0^T \left(\frac{N_0}{2} \left[h(\tau) - \frac{\lambda}{N_0} \right]^2 - \frac{\lambda^2}{N_0} \right) d\tau + [f(t_0)(c-1)]^2 + \lambda c \end{aligned}$$

implies that taking $h_{\text{opt}}(v) = \lambda/N_0$ minimizes e .

Solving $\int_0^T h_{\text{opt}}(\tau)d\tau = c$ yields $\lambda = cN_0/T$; and hence, $h_{\text{opt}}(v) = c/T$ for $0 \leq v < T$. We continue to derive

$$e = [f(t_0)(c-1)]^2 + \frac{N_0}{2} \int_0^T h^2(\tau)d\tau = [f(t_0)(c-1)]^2 + \frac{N_0 c^2}{2T},$$

which implies e is minimized by taking

$$c_{\text{opt}} = \frac{2f^2(t_0)T}{2f^2(t_0)T + N_0}.$$

Consequently, $h_{\text{opt}}(v) = \frac{2f^2(t_0)}{2f^2(t_0)T + N_0}$ for $0 \leq v < T$, and zero, otherwise.

4. (a) (4%) Let the power spectrum density of a (discrete) WSS process $\mathbf{x}[t]$ be

$$S_{xx}[\omega] = \frac{2}{5 - 3 \cos(\omega)}.$$

Find its innovation filter $L[z]$.

Hint: In your answer, $L[z]$ should be of the form:

$$L[z] = \frac{b_0 + b_1 z^{-1} + \dots + b_m z^{-m}}{1 + a_1 z^{-1} + \dots + a_n z^{-n}},$$

satisfying $S_{xx}[z] = L[z]L[z^{-1}]$.

- (b) (4%) Find the impulse response $1[\tau]$ of the innovation filter in (a).

Solution.

- (a)

$$S[z] = \frac{4}{10 - 3(z + z^{-1})} = \frac{2/3}{(1 - (1/3)z^{-1})} \cdot \frac{2/3}{(1 - (1/3)z)} = L[z]L[z^{-1}]$$

where $L[z] = \frac{2/3}{1 - (1/3)z^{-1}}$.

- (b)

$$\begin{aligned} 1[\tau] &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} L[\omega] e^{j\omega\tau} d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{2/3}{(1 - (1/3)e^{-j\omega})} e^{j\omega\tau} d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{2}{3} [1 + 3^{-1}e^{-j\omega} + 3^{-2}e^{-j2\omega} + \dots] e^{j\omega\tau} d\omega \\ &= \begin{cases} 0, & \tau < 0 \\ 2 \cdot 3^{-\tau}, & \tau \geq 0 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

5. Let the relation of output $\mathbf{x}[t]$ and input $\mathbf{i}[t]$ be characterized by

$$\mathbf{x}[t] + a_1 \mathbf{x}[t-1] + \dots + a_n \mathbf{x}[t-n] = b_0 \mathbf{i}[t], \quad (1)$$

where $\mathbf{i}[t]$ is real and is a zero-mean white process of unit power (i.e., the autocorrelation function of $\mathbf{i}[t]$ satisfies $R_{ii}[\tau] = \delta[\tau]$ with $\delta[\tau]$ being the Kronecker delta function).

- (a) (6%) Find the value of $R_{xi}[t-m, t]$ for every $0 \leq m \leq t$.
 (b) (6%) Without the premise of $\{\mathbf{x}[t]\}$ being WSS, show that the Yule-Walker equations should be generalized to

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_{xx}[t, t] & R_{xx}[t-1, t] & R_{xx}[t-2, t] & \dots & R_{xx}[t-n, t] \\ R_{xx}[t, t-1] & R_{xx}[t-1, t-1] & R_{xx}[t-2, t-1] & \dots & R_{xx}[t-n, t-1] \\ R_{xx}[t, t-2] & R_{xx}[t-1, t-2] & R_{xx}[t-2, t-2] & \dots & R_{xx}[t-n, t-2] \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ R_{xx}[t, t-n] & R_{xx}[t-1, t-n] & R_{xx}[t-2, t-n] & \dots & R_{xx}[t-n, t-n] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_0^2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (c) (4%) Give an example of a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n such that $\mathbf{x}[t]$ is not WSS under $b_0 \neq 0$. You shall provide the proof to justify your example.

- (d) (4%) Under $b_0 = 0$ and $n = 1$, (1) is reduced to $\mathbf{x}[t] + a_1\mathbf{x}[t-1] = 0$. Find the autocorrelation function of $\mathbf{x}[t]$ if $a_1 = -e^{j\omega_1}$. Is $\mathbf{x}[t]$ WSS when it is zero-mean? Does the autocorrelation function satisfies the Yule-Walker equations in (b)? Justify your answer.

Hint: Find the general relation between $\mathbf{x}[t_1]$ and $\mathbf{x}[t_2]$ for arbitrary integers t_1 and t_2 .

- (e) (4%) Under $b_0 = 0$ and $n = 1$, (1) is reduced to $\mathbf{x}[t] + a_1\mathbf{x}[t-1] = 0$. Find the autocorrelation function of $\mathbf{x}[t]$ if $a_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$ and $E[|\mathbf{x}[t]|^2] > 0$. Is $\mathbf{x}[t]$ WSS when it is zero-mean? Does the autocorrelation function satisfies the Yule-Walker equations in (b)? Justify your answer.

Hint: Find the general relation between $\mathbf{x}[t_1]$ and $\mathbf{x}[t_2]$ for arbitrary integers t_1 and t_2 .

Solution.

- (a) Since $\mathbf{x}[t-m]$ can be completely determined by

$$\mathbf{x}[t-m-1] \text{ upto } \mathbf{x}[t-m-n] \text{ and } \mathbf{i}[t-m],$$

it only depends on

$$\mathbf{i}[t-m], \mathbf{i}[t-m-1], \mathbf{i}[t-m-2], \dots$$

Accordingly, for $m > 0$,

$$R_{xi}[t-m, t] = E\{\mathbf{x}[t-m]\mathbf{i}[t]\} = E\{\mathbf{x}[t-m]\}E\{\mathbf{i}[t]\} = 0.$$

For the case of $m = 0$, we obtain by multiplying $\mathbf{i}[t]$ followed by taking expectation of both sides of (1) that

$$R_{xi}[t, t] + a_1 R_{xi}[t-1, t] + a_2 R_{xi}[t-2, t] + \dots + a_n R_{xi}[t-n, t] = R_{xi}[t, t] = b_0.$$

- (b) By multiplying $\mathbf{x}[t-m]$ for $0 \leq m \leq n$ followed by taking expectation of both sides of (1), we obtain:

$$\begin{array}{rcll} \times \mathbf{x}[t] & : & R_{xx}[t, t] + a_1 R_{xx}[t-1, t] + \dots + a_n R_{xx}[t-n, t] & = b_0^2 \\ \times \mathbf{x}[t-1] & : & R_{xx}[t, t-1] + a_1 R_{xx}[t-1, t-1] + \dots + a_n R_{xx}[t-n, t-1] & = 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \times \mathbf{x}[t-n] & : & R_{xx}[t, t-n] + a_1 R_{xx}[t-1, t-n] + \dots + a_n R_{xx}[t-n, t-n] & = 0, \end{array}$$

which can be equivalently written to

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_{xx}[t, t] & R_{xx}[t-1, t] & R_{xx}[t-2, t] & \dots & R_{xx}[t-n, t] \\ R_{xx}[t, t-1] & R_{xx}[t-1, t-1] & R_{xx}[t-2, t-1] & \dots & R_{xx}[t-n, t-1] \\ R_{xx}[t, t-2] & R_{xx}[t-1, t-2] & R_{xx}[t-2, t-2] & \dots & R_{xx}[t-n, t-2] \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ R_{xx}[t, t-n] & R_{xx}[t-1, t-n] & R_{xx}[t-2, t-n] & \dots & R_{xx}[t-n, t-n] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_0^2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (c) A simple example that fulfills the need of the problem is $a_1 = -1$ and $b_0 = 1$, i.e., $\mathbf{x}[t] - \mathbf{x}[t-1] = \mathbf{i}[t]$; hence, $\mathbf{x}[t]$ is real.

Suppose $\mathbf{x}[t]$ is WSS. Then, the Yule-Walker equations are simplified to

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_{xx}[0] & R_{xx}[1] \\ R_{xx}[1] & R_{xx}[0] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

which implies $R_{xx}[0] - R_{xx}[1] = 1$ and $R_{xx}[1] - R_{xx}[0] = 0$. Since the above equations have no solution, $\mathbf{x}[t]$ cannot be WSS.

Since $\mathbf{x}[t] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{i}[t-k]$, we derive for $n \geq m$,

$$\begin{aligned} R_{xx}[n, m] &= E[\mathbf{x}[n]\mathbf{x}[m]] \\ &= E \left[\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{i}[n-k] \right) \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{i}[m-\ell] \right) \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} E \left[\mathbf{i}[n-k] \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{i}[m-\ell] \right) \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=n-m}^{\infty} E \left[\mathbf{i}[n-k] \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{i}[m-\ell] \right) \right] \quad (k' = k - (n - m)) \\ &= \sum_{k'=0}^{\infty} E \left[\mathbf{i}[m-k'] \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{i}[m-\ell] \right) \right] = \sum_{k'=0}^{\infty} 1 = \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the Yule-Walker equations actually imply “ $\infty - \infty = 1$ ” and “ $\infty - \infty = 0$ ”, which explains why the derivations in (b) seems convincing but the two equations in this example have no (finite) solution!

Another example that fulfills the need of the problem is $a_1 = -2$ and $b_0 = 1$, i.e., $\mathbf{x}[t] - 2\mathbf{x}[t-1] = \mathbf{i}[t]$; hence, $\mathbf{x}[t]$ is real.

Suppose $\mathbf{x}[t]$ is WSS. Then, the Yule-Walker equations are simplified to

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_{xx}[0] & R_{xx}[1] \\ R_{xx}[1] & R_{xx}[0] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

which implies $R_{xx}[0] - 2R_{xx}[1] = 1$ and $R_{xx}[1] - 2R_{xx}[0] = 0$. Solving the equations, we obtain $R_{xx}[0] = -\frac{1}{3}$ and $R_{xx}[1] = -\frac{2}{3}$. Since $R_{xx}[0] = E[|\mathbf{x}[t]|^2]$ cannot be negative, $\mathbf{x}[t]$ cannot be WSS.

Since $\mathbf{x}[t] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^k \cdot \mathbf{i}[t - k]$, we derive for $n \geq m$,

$$\begin{aligned}
R_{xx}[n, m] &= E[\mathbf{x}[n]\mathbf{x}[m]] \\
&= E \left[\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^k \cdot \mathbf{i}[n - k] \right) \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} 2^{\ell} \cdot \mathbf{i}[m - \ell] \right) \right] \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} E \left[2^k \cdot \mathbf{i}[n - k] \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} 2^{\ell} \cdot \mathbf{i}[m - \ell] \right) \right] \\
&= \sum_{k=n-m}^{\infty} 2^k \cdot E \left[\mathbf{i}[n - k] \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} 2^{\ell} \cdot \mathbf{i}[m - \ell] \right) \right] \quad (k' = k - (n - m)) \\
&= 2^{n-m} \sum_{k'=0}^{\infty} 2^{k'} \cdot E \left[\mathbf{i}[m - k'] \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{i}[m - \ell] \right) \right] = 2^{n-m} \sum_{k'=0}^{\infty} 2^{k'} = \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the Yule-Walker equations actually imply “ $\infty - 2 \cdot \infty = 1$ ” and “ $\infty - 2 \cdot \infty = 0$ ”, which explains why the derivations in (b) seems convincing but the two equations in this example have “non-justifiable” solution! Note that usually, $\infty - \infty =$ indeterminate; thus, it could be “1” or “0”.

- (d) Under $a_1 = -e^{j\omega_1}$, we have $\mathbf{x}[t_1] = e^{j\omega_1(t_1-t_2)}\mathbf{x}[t_2]$ (with probability one) for integers t_1 and t_2 . Thus, $|\mathbf{x}[t_1]| = |\mathbf{x}[t_2]|$ with probability one, which implies $\sigma_x^2 = E[|\mathbf{x}[t]|^2]$ is a constant and

$$R_{xx}[t_1, t_2] = E[\mathbf{x}[t_1]\mathbf{x}^*[t_2]] = e^{j\omega_1(t_1-t_2)} E[|\mathbf{x}[t_2]|^2] = \sigma_x^2 e^{j\omega_1(t_1-t_2)}.$$

Since the autocorrelation function is only a function of time difference ($t_1 - t_2$), the zero-mean $\mathbf{x}[t]$ is surely WSS.

In addition, it can be verified that the autocorrelation function in (d) satisfies the Yule-Walker equations in (b). I.e.,

$$\sigma_x^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & e^{-j\omega_1} \\ e^{j\omega_1} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -e^{j\omega_1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

From $\mathbf{x}[t_1] = e^{j\omega_1(t_1-t_2)}\mathbf{x}[t_2]$, we can deduce

$$\mathbf{x}[t] = e^{j\omega_1 t} \mathbf{x}[0] = \mathbf{c} \cdot e^{j\omega_1 t}$$

by taking $t_1 = t$ and $t_2 = 0$, where $\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{x}[0]$.

- (e) Under $a_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$, we have $\mathbf{x}[t_1] = 2^{-(t_1-t_2)}\mathbf{x}[t_2]$ (with probability one) for integers t_1 and t_2 . Thus,

$$R_{xx}[t_1, t_2] = E[\mathbf{x}[t_1]\mathbf{x}^*[t_2]] = 2^{-(t_1-t_2)} E[|\mathbf{x}[t_2]|^2].$$

Since $E[|\mathbf{x}[t]|^2]$ is not a constant (except when $E[|\mathbf{x}[t]|^2] = 0$), $R_{xx}[t_1, t_2]$ is not a function of time difference only. Hence, $\mathbf{x}[t]$ is not WSS.

In addition, it can be verified that the autocorrelation function in (e) still satisfies the Yule-Walker equations in (b). I.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} E[|\mathbf{x}[t]|^2] & 2E[|\mathbf{x}[t]|^2] \\ \frac{1}{2}E[|\mathbf{x}[t-1]|^2] & E[|\mathbf{x}[t-1]|^2] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

When $b_0 = 0$, $L[z] = \frac{0}{1-(1/2)z^{-1}} = 0$. Thus, it is somewhat tricky to associate it as a “stable LTI filter,” not to mention to apply onto it the rule that a WSS input induces a WSS output for a stable LTI filter. In fact, this should be regarded as an “input-less” loop system.

The general time-averaged autocorrelation function $\bar{R}_{xx}[\tau]$ does not exist since

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}_{xx}[\tau] &= \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2w+1} \sum_{t=-w}^w R_{xx}[t+\tau, t] = \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2w+1} \sum_{t=-w}^w 2^{-\tau} E[|\mathbf{x}[t]|^2] \\ &= 2^{-\tau} \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2w+1} \sum_{t=-w}^w 2^{-2t} E[|\mathbf{x}[0]|^2] \\ &= 2^{-\tau} E[|\mathbf{x}[0]|^2] \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2w+1} \frac{(2^{-2})^{-w} [1 - (2^{-2})^{2w+1}]}{[1 - (2^{-2})]} = \infty \end{aligned}$$

where in the derivation, we use $E[|\mathbf{x}[t_1]|^2] = 2^{-2(t_1-t_2)} E[|\mathbf{x}[t_2]|^2]$; however,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}_{xx}[\tau] &= \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{w} \sum_{t=0}^{w-1} R_{xx}[t+\tau, t] = \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{w} \sum_{t=0}^{w-1} 2^{-\tau} E[|\mathbf{x}[t]|^2] \\ &= 2^{-\tau} \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{w} \sum_{t=0}^{w-1} 2^{-2t} E[|\mathbf{x}[0]|^2] \\ &= 2^{-\tau} E[|\mathbf{x}[0]|^2] \lim_{w \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{w} \cdot \frac{[1 - (2^{-2})^w]}{[1 - (2^{-2})]} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Note that by definition, the time-averaged autocorrelation function should be irrelevant to the location of time-averaged window taken in its calculation!

6. (a) (6%) Suppose $\omega_0 = 2\pi/T_0$, and

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{c}_n e^{jn\omega_0 t} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{c}_n = \frac{1}{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} \mathbf{x}(t) e^{-jn\omega_0 t} dt.$$

Given that $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is not WSS, is $E[|\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)|^2] = R_{xx}(t, t)$ for $0 < t < T_0$? Justify your answer.

- (b) (4%) For a set of orthonormal functions $\{\varphi_n(t)\}_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$ over $[0, T_0)$, we re-define

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{c}_n \varphi_n(t) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{c}_n = \int_0^{T_0} \mathbf{x}(t) \varphi_n^*(t) dt.$$

Prove that

$$\int_0^{T_0} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \varphi_m^*(t) dt = \int_0^{T_0} \mathbf{x}(t) \varphi_m^*(t) dt \quad \text{for every } m.$$

Hint: By orthonormality, we mean that $\int_0^{T_0} \varphi_n(t)\varphi_m^(t)dt = \begin{cases} 1, & n = m; \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$*

- (c) (4%) Continue from (b). When $\{\varphi_n(t)\}$ are the eigenfunctions of the autocorrelation function $R_{xx}(t, s)$ of $\mathbf{x}(t)$, which satisfies

$$\int_0^{T_0} R_{xx}(t, s)\varphi_n(s)ds = \lambda_n\varphi_n(t),$$

Mercer's Theorem states that:

$$R_{xx}(t, s) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda_n\varphi_n(t)\varphi_n^*(s).$$

Now suppose $\mathbf{y}(t)$ is the output process induced by feeding $\mathbf{x}(t)$ into a stable linear time-invariant (LTI) filter with impulse response $h(\tau)$. Represent the autocorrelation function $R_{yy}(t, s)$ of $\mathbf{y}(t)$ using $\{\phi_n(t)\}$ and $\{\lambda_n\}$, where $\phi_n(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau)\varphi_n(t - \tau)d\tau$.

Hint: Theorem 9-2.

- (d) (4%) Continue from (c). Further assume that $\mathbf{x}(t)$ is a non-stationary white process with autocorrelation function $R_{xx}(t, s) = q(t)\delta(t - s)$. Find the eigenfunctions and eigenvalues of $R_{xx}(t, s)$ over $(0, T_0)$.

Hint: Start from $\int_0^{T_0} R_{xx}(t, s)\varphi_\lambda(s)ds = \lambda\varphi_\lambda(t)$ and use the example on Slide 11-75. Here, we adopt the convention that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(s - a)\delta(s - b)ds = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(s - a)\delta(a - b)ds = \delta(a - b).$$

Solution.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
E[|\hat{\mathbf{x}}(t)|^2] &= E \left[\left(\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{c}_n e^{jn\omega_0 t} \right) \left(\sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{c}_m^* e^{-jm\omega_0 t} \right) \right] \\
&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} E [\mathbf{c}_n \mathbf{c}_m^*] e^{jn\omega_0 t} e^{-jm\omega_0 t} \\
&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{T_0^2} \int_0^{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} E [\mathbf{x}(u) \mathbf{x}^*(v)] e^{-jn\omega_0 u} e^{jm\omega_0 v} du dv \right) e^{jn\omega_0 t} e^{-jm\omega_0 t} \\
&= \int_0^{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} R_{xx}(u, v) \left(\frac{1}{T_0} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{jn\omega_0(t-u)} \right) \left(\frac{1}{T_0} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{jm\omega_0(v-t)} \right) du dv \\
&= \int_0^{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} R_{xx}(u, v) \left(\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(t-u+nT_0) \right) \left(\sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(v-t+mT_0) \right) du dv \\
&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{T_0} \int_0^{T_0} R_{xx}(u, v) \delta(t-u+nT_0) \delta(v-t+mT_0) du dv \\
&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} R_{xx}(t+nT_0, t-mT_0) \mathbf{1}\{0 < t+nT_0 < T_0\} \mathbf{1}\{0 < t-mT_0 < T_0\} \\
&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} R_{xx}(t+nT_0, t-mT_0) \\
&\quad \times \mathbf{1} \left\{ -\frac{t}{T_0} < n < 1 - \frac{t}{T_0} \text{ and } \frac{t}{T_0} - 1 < m < \frac{t}{T_0} \right\} \\
&= R_{xx}(t, t),
\end{aligned}$$

where the last step follows from $0 < t < T_0$ (hence, $n = m = 0$).

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^{T_0} \hat{\mathbf{x}}(t) \varphi_m^*(t) dt &= \int_0^{T_0} \left(\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{c}_n \varphi_n(t) \right) \varphi_m^*(t) dt \\
&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{c}_n \int_0^{T_0} \varphi_n(t) \varphi_m^*(t) dt \\
&= \mathbf{c}_m = \int_0^{T_0} \mathbf{x}(t) \varphi_m^*(t) dt
\end{aligned}$$

(c) From Theorem 9-2,

$$\begin{aligned}
R_{yy}(t, s) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau)h(\tau')R_{xx}(t - \tau', s - \tau)d\tau d\tau' \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau)h(\tau') \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda_n \varphi_n(t - \tau')\varphi_n^*(s - \tau)d\tau d\tau' \\
&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda_n \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(\tau')\varphi_n(t - \tau')d\tau' \right) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau)\varphi_n^*(s - \tau)d\tau \right) \\
&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda_n \phi_n(t)\phi_n^*(s)
\end{aligned}$$

We can also derive that

$$\begin{aligned}
R_{xy}(t, s) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau)R_{xx}(t, s - \tau)d\tau \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau) \left(\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda_n \varphi_n(t)\varphi_n^*(s - \tau) \right) d\tau \\
&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda_n \varphi_n(t) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(\tau)\varphi_n^*(s - \tau)d\tau \right) \\
&= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda_n \varphi_n(t)\phi_n^*(s)
\end{aligned}$$

Note that $\{\phi_n(t)\}$ are not necessarily orthonormal!

(d) For $t \in (0, T_0)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^{T_0} R_{xx}(t, s)\varphi_\lambda(s)ds &= \lambda\varphi_\lambda(t) \\
\Leftrightarrow \int_0^{T_0} q(t)\delta(t - s)\varphi_\lambda(s)ds &= \lambda\varphi_\lambda(t) \\
\Leftrightarrow q(t)\varphi_\lambda(t) &= \lambda\varphi_\lambda(t) \\
\Leftrightarrow [q(t) - \lambda]\varphi_\lambda(t) &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Suppose $q(t) = \lambda$ only at $t = u \in (0, T_0)$. (There could be other value of t such as $t = v$ that also makes $q(t) = \lambda$. We would treat this case as the eigenvalue λ has several eigenfunctions.) Then, $\varphi_\lambda(t) = \delta(t - u)$ is an eigenfunction corresponding to eigenvalue λ . (If $q(v) = \lambda$ for some $v \neq u$, then $\varphi_\lambda(t) = \delta(t - v)$ is also an eigenfunction corresponding to eigenvalue λ .)

Let's verify $\varphi_\lambda(t)$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{T_0} q(t)\delta(t-s)\varphi_\lambda(s)ds &= \int_0^{T_0} q(t)\delta(t-s)\delta(s-u)ds \\ &= q(t)\delta(t-u) = q(u)\delta(t-u) = \lambda \cdot \delta(t-u).\end{aligned}$$

Orthogonality among eigenfunctions is confirmed as follows.

$$\int_0^{T_0} \varphi_\lambda(t)\varphi_{\lambda'}(t)dt = \int_0^{T_0} \delta(t-u)\delta(t-u')dt = \delta(u-u').$$

7. Suppose $\mathbf{x}[t]$ is a discrete WSS process. Answer the following questions regarding Wold's decomposition.

- (4%) Suppose $\mathbf{x}[t]$ can be decomposed to sum of $\mathbf{z}_1[t]$ and $\mathbf{z}_2[t]$, where $\mathbf{z}_1[t]$ and $\mathbf{z}_2[t]$ are orthogonal. Show that if $\mathbf{z}_1[t]$ is WSS, then \mathbf{z}_2 is WSS.
- (4%) In Slide 11-93, we obtain that $E\{\mathbf{e}[t+\tau]\mathbf{e}^*[t]\} = 0$ for every integer $\tau > 0$. Is $E[|\mathbf{e}[t]|^2]$ a constant, independent of t ? If your answer is affirmative, give the constant value of $E\{|\mathbf{e}[t]|^2\}$. If your answer is negative, give two t_1 and t_2 such that $E\{|\mathbf{e}[t_1]|^2\} \neq E\{|\mathbf{e}[t_2]|^2\}$.
- (4%) In Slide 11-94, we argue that the error $\mathbf{x}_p[t] = \mathbf{x}[t] - \mathbf{x}_r[t]$ is orthogonal to the data $\mathbf{e}[t-k]$ for $k \geq 0$. Show that $\mathbf{x}_p[t]$ is actually orthogonal to $\mathbf{e}[t-k]$ for every integer k .
- (4%) Wold's decomposition states that a WSS process $\mathbf{x}[t]$ can be decomposed into sum of a *regular* process $\mathbf{x}_r[t]$ and a *predictable* process $\mathbf{x}_p[t]$. Can we obtain $\mathbf{x}_r[t]$ as the output of a LTI filter specifically with input $\mathbf{x}[t]$? Can we obtain $\mathbf{x}_p[t]$ as the output of a LTI filter specifically with input $\mathbf{x}[t]$? For each of the two sub-questions in (d), if your answer is affirmative, give the transfer function of the filter? If negative, justify why $\mathbf{x}_r[t]$ (respectively, $\mathbf{x}_p[t]$) cannot be obtained by feeding $\mathbf{x}[t]$ through an LTI filter.

Solution.

- By WSS of $\mathbf{x}[t]$ and $\mathbf{z}_1[t]$, the mean function of $\mathbf{z}_2[t]$ is clearly nothing to do with t . Hence, to verify whether $\mathbf{z}_2[t]$ is WSS, it suffices to examine the WSS property of the autocorrelation function of $\mathbf{z}_2[t]$. By the orthogonality of $\mathbf{z}_1[t]$ and $\mathbf{z}_2[t]$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}R_{xx}[t_1, t_2] &= E\{(\mathbf{z}_1[t_1] + \mathbf{z}_2[t_1])(\mathbf{z}_1[t_2] + \mathbf{z}_2[t_2])^*\} \\ &= R_{z_1z_1}[t_1, t_2] + R_{z_2z_2}[t_1, t_2],\end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$R_{z_2z_2}[t_1, t_2] = R_{xx}[t_1 - t_2] - R_{z_1z_1}[t_1 - t_2].$$

Therefore, the autocorrelation function of $\mathbf{z}_2[t]$ is only a function of time difference. This completes the proof of its wide sense stationarity.

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
E\{|e[t]|^2\} = E\{e[t]e^*[t]\} &= E\left\{e[t]\left(\mathbf{x}^*[t] - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^* \mathbf{x}^*[t-k]\right)\right\} \\
&= E\{e[t]\mathbf{x}^*[t]\} \\
&\quad (\text{because } e[t] \text{ is orthogonal to } \mathbf{x}[t-k] \text{ for } k \geq 1) \\
&= E\left\{\left(\mathbf{x}[t] - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k \mathbf{x}[t-k]\right)\mathbf{x}^*[t]\right\} \\
&= R_{xx}(0) - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k R_{xx}[k],
\end{aligned}$$

which is a constant, independent of t .

(c) It suffices to show that $e[t+m]$ is orthogonal to $\mathbf{x}_p[t]$ for $m > 0$. Derive

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{x}_p[t] &= \mathbf{x}[t] - \mathbf{x}_r[t] \\
&= \mathbf{x}[t] - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} w_k e[t-k] \\
&= \mathbf{x}[t] - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} w_k \left(\mathbf{x}[t-k] - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \mathbf{x}[t-k-n]\right).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\mathbf{x}_p[t]$ is a linear combination of $\mathbf{x}[t]$ and its past. From Slide 11-92, $e[t+m]$ for $m > 0$ is orthogonal to $\mathbf{x}[t]$ and its past. Therefore, $e[t+m]$ is orthogonal to $\mathbf{x}_p[t]$ for $m > 0$.

(d) We know that $\mathbf{E}[z] = \mathbf{X}[z]A[z]$ from Slide 11-95, and $\mathbf{X}_r[z] = \mathbf{E}[z]W[z]$ from Slide 11-94. Thus, $\mathbf{X}_r[z] = \mathbf{E}[z]W[z] = \mathbf{X}[z]W[z]A[z]$ and we can pass $\mathbf{x}[t]$ through filter $A[z]W[z]$ to obtain $\mathbf{x}_r[t]$ at the output.

On the other hand, $\mathbf{X}_p[z] = \mathbf{X}[z] - \mathbf{X}_r[z] = (1 - A[z]W[z])\mathbf{X}[z]$; hence, we can pass $\mathbf{x}[t]$ through filter $(1 - A[z]W[z])$ to obtain $\mathbf{x}_p[t]$ at the output.

Note: In order to have a better understanding of Wold's decomposition, let's provide a toy example of $A[z]$ and $W[z]$ for your reference. Suppose $\mathbf{x}[t] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{i}[t-k] + \mathbf{c}_0$, where real $\mathbf{i}[t]$ is a zero-mean WSS process of unit power, and real \mathbf{c}_0 is zero-mean with unit variance. Then, the optimal linear predictor of $\mathbf{x}[t]$ based on its past is

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}[t] = \mathbf{x}[t-1] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{i}[t-1-k] + \mathbf{c}_0,$$

which implies

$$\mathbf{x}[t] - \hat{\mathbf{x}}[t] = \mathbf{i}[t].$$

This can be verified by orthogonality principle as follows:

$$E\{(\mathbf{x}[t] - \hat{\mathbf{x}}[t])\mathbf{x}[t-m]\} = E\left\{\mathbf{i}[t]\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{i}[t-m-k] + \mathbf{c}_0\right)\right\} = 0 \quad \text{for } m \geq 1.$$

As a summary,

$$\mathbf{x}_r[t] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{i}[t-k], \quad \mathbf{x}_p[t] = \mathbf{c}_0, \quad A[z] = 1 - z^{-1} \quad \text{and} \quad W[z] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^{-k}.$$

We can then examine what happens in each step of the proof of Wold's decomposition:

- Passing $\mathbf{x}[t]$ through $A[z]$ gives $\mathbf{i}[t]$, and feeding $\mathbf{i}[t]$ into $W[z]$ gives $\mathbf{x}_r[t]$. Hence, $\mathbf{x}_p[t] = \mathbf{c}_0$ is filtered out by $A[z]W[z]$.
- Passing $\mathbf{i}[t]$ through $W[z]$ gives $\mathbf{x}_r[t]$, and feeding $\mathbf{x}_r[t]$ into $A[z]$ gives $\mathbf{i}[t]$. Hence, $\mathbf{y}[t] = \mathbf{i}[t] - \mathbf{i}[t] = 0$.