

Faculty of Engineering
EM 509 – Stochastic Processes
Answer Sheet
Classification

1) Consider the random process, $X(t) = A \cos(2\pi t)$, where A is a random variable:

Let the mean and variance of A are μ_A and σ_A^2 respectively.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mean} = \mu_x(t) &= E(A \cos(2\pi t)) \\ &= E(A)E(\cos(2\pi t)) \\ &= E(A) \cos(2\pi t) \\ &= \mu_A \cos(2\pi t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Variance} = \sigma_x^2(t) &= E(X_t - E(X_t))^2 \\ &= E(A \cos(2\pi t) - E(A) \cos(2\pi t))^2 \\ &= E(\cos(2\pi t)(A - E(A))^2) \\ &= E(\cos^2(2\pi t))E(A - E(A))^2 \\ &= \cos^2(2\pi t) \sigma_A^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Autocorrelation} = R_x(t_1, t_2) &= E(A \cos(2\pi t_1) A \cos(2\pi t_2)) \\ &= E(A^2) \cos(2\pi t_1) \cos(2\pi t_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Autocovariance} &= R_x(t_1, t_2) - \mu_x(t_1)\mu_x(t_2) \\ &= E(A^2) \cos(2\pi t_1) \cos(2\pi t_2) - E(A) \cos(2\pi t_1) E(A) \cos(2\pi t_2) \\ &= (E(A^2) - (E(A))^2) \cos(2\pi t_1) \cos(2\pi t_2) \\ &= \sigma_A^2 \cos(2\pi t_1) \cos(2\pi t_2) \end{aligned}$$

2) Consider the random process $Y_n = 2X_n - 1$, where X_n is a Bernoulli process with the probability of success and failure respectively given by $P(X_n = 1) = p$ and $P(X_n = 0) = 1 - p$.

The possible outcomes for Y_n ,

$$Y_n = \begin{cases} 1 & ; X_n = 1 \\ -1 & ; X_n = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Mean} = \mu_y(n) &= E(Y_n) \\ &= E(2X_n - 1) \\ &= 2E(X_n) - 1 \\ &= 2p - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Variance} &= \sigma_Y^2 = E(Y_n - E(Y_n))^2 \\
&= E(2X_n - 1 - E(2X_n - 1))^2 \\
&= E(2X_n - 1 - 2E(X_n) + 1)^2 \\
&= E(2X_n - 2E(X_n))^2 \\
&= 4E(X_n - E(X_n))^2 \\
&= 4p(1-p)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Autocorrelation} &= R_Y(n, m) = E(Y_n Y_m) \\
&= E((2X_n - 1)(2X_m - 1)) \\
&= E(4X_n X_m - 2X_n - 2X_m + 1) \\
&= 4E(X_n X_m) - 2E(X_n) - 2E(X_m) + 1 \\
&= 4p^2 - 4p + 1 = (2p - 1)^2
\end{aligned}$$

- 3) The random process $Y_n = 2X_n - 1$, where X_n is a Bernoulli process with the probability of success and failure respectively given by $P(X_n = 1) = p$ and $P(X_n = 0) = 1 - p$. Now consider the one dimensional random walk, $Z_n = Y_1 + Y_2 + \dots + Y_n; n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Mean} &= \mu_Z(n) = E(Z_n) = E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i\right) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n E(Y_i) \\
&= n(2p - 1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Variance} &= \sigma_Z^2 = E((Z_n)^2) - (E(Z_n))^2 \\
&= E((Z_n)^2) - n^2(2p - 1)^2
\end{aligned}$$

Consider;

$$\begin{aligned}
E((Z_n)^2) &= E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j\right) = E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n Y_i Y_j\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n E(Y_i Y_j) \\
&= \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^n \sum_{j=1}^n E(Y_i Y_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n E((Y_i)^2) \\
&= \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^n \sum_{j=1}^n E(Y_i)E(Y_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n 1 \\
&= (n^2 - n)(2p - 1)^2 + n
\end{aligned}$$

Note that: $P(Y_n = 1) = p$ and $P(Y_n = -1) = 1 - p$ as $P(X_n = 1) = p$ and $P(X_n = 0) = 1 - p$

Then, $E(Y_i^2) = (1^2 p + (-1)^2 (1 - p)) = 1$

$$E(Y_i Y_j) = E(Y_i)E(Y_j) = \mu_Y^2 = (2p - 1)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Variance} = \sigma_Z^2 &= E((Z_n)^2) - n^2 (2p - 1)^2 \\ &= (n^2 - n)(2p - 1)^2 + n - n^2 (2p - 1)^2 \\ &= n - 4np^2 + 4np - n \\ &= 4np(1 - p) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Autocorrelation} = R_Z(n, m) = E(Z_n Z_m)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= E(Z_n (Z_n + \sum_{j=n+1}^m Y_j)) \\ &= E(Z_n^2) + E(Z_n \sum_{j=n+1}^m Y_j) \\ &= E(Z_n^2) + E(\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \sum_{j=n+1}^m Y_j) \\ &= E(Z_n^2) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=n+1}^m E(Y_i Y_j) \\ &= E(Z_n^2) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=n+1}^m E(Y_i)E(Y_j) \\ &= E(Z_n^2) + n(m - n)(2p - 1)^2; \text{Suppose that } m > n \\ &= E(Z_m^2) + m(n - m)(2p - 1)^2; \text{Suppose that } m < n \\ &= (n^2 - n)(2p - 1)^2 + n + n(m - n)(2p - 1)^2; \text{Suppose that } m > n \\ &= (m^2 - m)(2p - 1)^2 + m(n - m)(2p - 1)^2; \text{Suppose that } m < n \\ &= nm(2p - 1)^2 + \min(n, m)(1 - (2p - 1)^2); \text{the generalized equation} \end{aligned}$$

- 4) Let X_t be a random process with mean function $\mu_X(t)$. Suppose that X_t is applied to a linear time-invariant (LTI) system with impulse response $h(t)$.

$$Y_t = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t - \theta) X_\theta d\theta$$

Now consider,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu_Y(t) &= E(Y_t) \\
&= E\left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t-\theta)X_{\theta}d\theta\right] \\
&\approx E\left[\sum_i h(t-\theta_i)X_{\theta_i}\Delta\theta_i\right]; \text{ Note that the integration by writing the integral as a Riemann sum} \\
&= \sum_i E[h(t-\theta_i)X_{\theta_i}\Delta\theta_i] \\
&= \sum_i E[h(t-\theta_i)X_{\theta_i}]\Delta\theta_i \\
&\approx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} E[h(t-\theta)X_{\theta}]d\theta \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t-\theta)E[X_{\theta}]d\theta;
\end{aligned}$$

Since $h(t-\theta)$ is a non-random variable and can be pulled out of the expectation

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t-\theta)\mu_X(\theta)d\theta$$