

# TSDT14 Signal Theory

## Lecture 2

### Stochastic processes

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## Jointly Gaussian Variables

$\bar{\mathbf{X}} = (X_1, \dots, X_N)$  is called *Jointly Gaussian* if the following holds:

$$f_{\bar{\mathbf{X}}}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N/2} |\Delta|^{1/2}} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{m}}) \Delta^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{m}})^T}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{m}} = E\{\bar{\mathbf{X}}\} \quad \Delta = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \dots & \lambda_{1N} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \lambda_{N1} & \dots & \lambda_{NN} \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_{ij} = \text{Cov}\{X_i, X_j\}$$

If  $X_1, \dots, X_N$  are pairwise uncorrelated.  $\Rightarrow \Delta = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{X_1}^2 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \sigma_{X_N}^2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow f_{\bar{\mathbf{X}}}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N/2} \prod_{i=1}^N \sigma_{X_i}} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{(x_i - m_{X_i})^2}{\sigma_{X_i}^2}} = \prod_{i=1}^N f_{X_i}(x_i)$$

$\therefore$  Independent



## (Non-)dependencies of Multi-Dimensional Variables

Mutually Independent:

$$F_{\bar{\mathbf{X}}}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \prod_{i=1}^N F_{X_i}(x_i)$$



Pairwise Independent:

The variables  $X_i$  and  $X_j$  are independent for all  $i \neq j$ .



Mutually Uncorrelated:

$$E\left\{\prod_{i \in I} X_i\right\} = \prod_{i \in I} E\{X_i\}$$

For all  $I \subset \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$

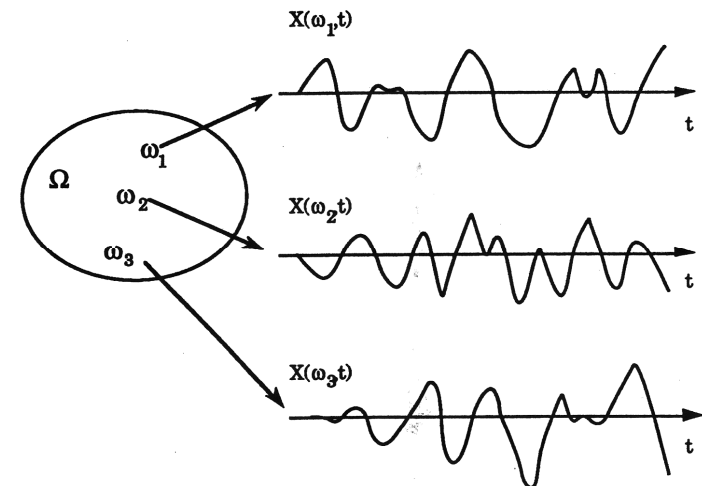


Pairwise Uncorrelated:

The variables  $X_i$  and  $X_j$  are uncorrelated for all  $i \neq j$ .



## Stochastic Process



## Exactly Predictable Process

### Definition:

A process is said to be exactly predictable if there exists a finite interval

$$t_1 \leq t \leq t_2$$

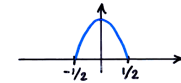
such that it is enough to know a realization in this interval to know the whole realization.

## Examples of Stochastic Processes cont'd

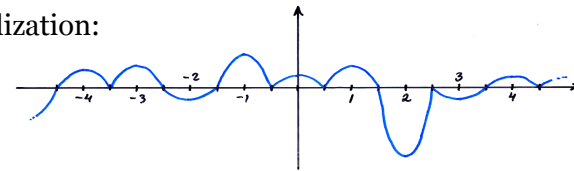
**Ex 3:** Infinite number of realizations – This one is not EPP:

$$X(t) = \sum A_k p(t-k), \quad p(t) = \begin{cases} \cos(\pi t), & |t| < 1/2 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$\{A_k\}$  independent,  $N(0,1)$



A realization:



## Examples of Stochastic Processes

**Ex 1:** Finite number of realizations – This one is EPP:

$$X(t) = \sin(t+\Phi), \quad \Phi \in \{0, \pi/2, \pi, 3\pi/2\}$$

**Ex 2:** Infinite number of realizations – This one is EPP:

$$X(t) = A \cdot \sin(t), \quad A \sim N(0,1)$$

## Distributions and Densities

### One time instance

Distribution:  $F_{X(t)}(x) = \Pr\{X(t) \leq x\}$

Density:  $f_{X(t)}(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_{X(t)}(x)$

### Two time instances

Distribution:  $F_{X(t_1), X(t_2)}(x_1, x_2) = \Pr\{X(t_1) \leq x_1, X(t_2) \leq x_2\}$

Density:  $f_{X(t_1), X(t_2)}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} F_{X(t_1), X(t_2)}(x_1, x_2)$

## Examples of Distributions and Densities

$$\mathcal{X}(t) = A \cdot \sin(t), \quad A \text{ is a stochastic variable}$$

$$F_{\mathcal{X}(t)}(x) = \Pr\{\mathcal{X}(t) \leq x\} = \Pr\{A \cdot \sin(t) \leq x\}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \Pr\{A \leq \frac{x}{\sin(t)}\} = F_A\left(\frac{x}{\sin(t)}\right), & t: \sin(t) > 0 \\ \Pr\{0 \leq x\} = u(x), & t: \sin(t) = 0 \\ \Pr\{A \geq \frac{x}{\sin(t)}\} = 1 - F_A\left(\frac{x}{\sin(t)}\right), & t: \sin(t) < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$f_{\mathcal{X}(t)}(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_{\mathcal{X}(t)}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sin(t)} \cdot f_A\left(\frac{x}{\sin(t)}\right), & t: \sin(t) > 0 \\ \delta(x), & t: \sin(t) = 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sin(t)} \cdot f_A\left(\frac{x}{\sin(t)}\right), & t: \sin(t) < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \delta(x), & t = k \cdot \pi, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \frac{1}{|\sin(t)|} \cdot f_A\left(\frac{x}{\sin(t)}\right), & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

## Ensemble Average

- Expectation of a function of samples of a stochastic process

$$\text{Mean: } m_{\mathcal{X}}(t) = E\{\mathcal{X}(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{\mathcal{X}(t)}(x) dx$$

$$\text{Quadratic mean: } E\{\mathcal{X}^2(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_{\mathcal{X}(t)}(x) dx$$

$$\text{Variance: } \sigma_{\mathcal{X}}^2(t) = E\{(\mathcal{X}(t) - m_{\mathcal{X}}(t))^2\} = E\{\mathcal{X}^2(t)\} - m_{\mathcal{X}}^2(t)$$

$$\text{Std deviation: } \sigma_{\mathcal{X}}(t)$$

Functions of time!

Auto-correlation function (ACF):

$$r_{\mathcal{X}}(t_1, t_2) = E\{\mathcal{X}(t_1)\mathcal{X}(t_2)\} = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1 x_2 f_{\mathcal{X}(t_1), \mathcal{X}(t_2)}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2$$

$$\text{Symmetry: } r_{\mathcal{X}}(t_1, t_2) = r_{\mathcal{X}}(t_2, t_1)$$

$$\text{Power: } r_{\mathcal{X}}(t, t) = E\{\mathcal{X}^2(t)\}$$

Special case:  $\mathcal{X}(t)$  fun of stoch var  $A$ :

$$\mathcal{X}(t) = g(t, A)$$

$$r_{\mathcal{X}}(t_1, t_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(t_1, a) g(t_2, a) f_A(a) da$$

## Multiple Time Instances

$$\text{Vector notation: } \vec{t} = (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N)$$

$$\mathcal{X}(\vec{t}) = (\mathcal{X}(t_1), \mathcal{X}(t_2), \dots, \mathcal{X}(t_N))$$

$$\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)$$

$$\text{Distribution: } F_{\mathcal{X}(\vec{t})}(\vec{x}) = \Pr\{\mathcal{X}(t_1) \leq x_1, \mathcal{X}(t_2) \leq x_2, \dots, \mathcal{X}(t_N) \leq x_N\}$$

$$\text{Density: } f_{\mathcal{X}(\vec{t})}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\partial^N}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2 \dots \partial x_N} F_{\mathcal{X}(\vec{t})}(\vec{x})$$

## Example of Ensemble Averages

$$\mathcal{X}(t) = A \sin(t), \quad A \text{ is a stochastic variable}$$

$$m_{\mathcal{X}}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{\mathcal{X}(t)}(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a \cdot \sin(t) \cdot f_A(a) da = \sin(t) \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a f_A(a) da = \sin(t) \cdot m_A$$

$$E\{\mathcal{X}^2(t)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_{\mathcal{X}(t)}(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (a \cdot \sin(t))^2 \cdot f_A(a) da = \sin^2(t) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a^2 f_A(a) da = \sin^2(t) \cdot E\{A^2\}$$

$$\sigma_{\mathcal{X}}^2(t) = E\{\mathcal{X}^2(t)\} - m_{\mathcal{X}}^2(t) = \sin^2(t) (E\{A^2\} - m_A^2) = \sin^2(t) \cdot \sigma_A^2$$

$$r_{\mathcal{X}}(t_1, t_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a \cdot \sin(t_1) \cdot a \cdot \sin(t_2) \cdot f_A(a) da = \sin(t_1) \cdot \sin(t_2) \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a^2 f_A(a) da = \sin(t_1) \cdot \sin(t_2) \cdot E\{A^2\}$$

## Auto-Correlation and Auto-Covariance

Auto-correlation (ACF):

$$r_X(t_1, t_2) \triangleq E\{X(t_1)X(t_2)\} = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1 x_2 f_{X(t_1), X(t_2)}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2,$$

$$r_X(t_1, t_2) = r_X(t_2, t_1)$$

Auto-covariance (related concept):

$$\lambda_X(t_1, t_2) \triangleq E\{(X(t_1) - m_X(t_1))(X(t_2) - m_X(t_2))\}$$

$$\lambda_X(t_1, t_2) = r_X(t_1, t_2) - m_X(t_1)m_X(t_2).$$

## Stationarity 2(2)

Mean:  $m_{\mathbf{X}}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{\mathbf{X}(t)}(x) dx \stackrel{\text{stat.}}{=} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_{\mathbf{X}(t+\Delta)}(x) dx = m(t+\Delta) \quad \forall \Delta$   
Thus Constant.

ACF:  $r_{\mathbf{X}}(t_1, t_2) = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1 x_2 f_{\mathbf{X}(t_1), \mathbf{X}(t_2)}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2$   
 $= \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} x_1 x_2 f_{\mathbf{X}(t_1+\Delta), \mathbf{X}(t_2+\Delta)}(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2$   
 $= r_{\mathbf{X}}(t_1+\Delta, t_2+\Delta) \quad \text{Dep. on } t_1 - t_2$

Notation:  $m_{\mathbf{X}}$  and  $r_{\mathbf{X}}(\tau) \quad \tau = t_1 - t_2$

Wide sense stationarity, definition:

If the above holds, then the process  $X(t)$  is said to be stationary in the wide sense (WSS).

## Stationarity 1(2)

Stationarity is statistical invariance to a shift of the time origin.

**Definition:**

Consider time instances  $\bar{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_N)$  and shifted time instances  $\bar{u} = \bar{t} + \Delta = (t_1 + \Delta, \dots, t_N + \Delta)$ . The process  $X(t)$  is said to be stationary in the strict sense (SSS) if

$$F_{X(\bar{t})}(\bar{x}) = F_{X(\bar{u})}(\bar{x})$$

holds for all  $N$  and all choices of  $\bar{t}$  and  $\Delta$ .

**Equivalence:**

$$F_{X(\bar{t})}(\bar{x}) = F_{X(\bar{u})}(\bar{x}) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad f_{X(\bar{t})}(\bar{x}) = f_{X(\bar{u})}(\bar{x})$$

## Gaussian Processes

**Recall:**  $\bar{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_N)$  is called Jointly Gaussian if the following holds:

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$$\bar{m} = E\{\bar{X}\} \quad \Delta = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{11} & \dots & \lambda_{1N} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \lambda_{N1} & \dots & \lambda_{NN} \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_{ij} = \text{Cov}\{X_i, X_j\}$$

**Definition:** A stochastic process is called *Gaussian* if all its multidimensional PDFs correspond to jointly Gaussian variables.

**Theorem:** A Gaussian process that is stationary in the wide sense is also stationary in the strict sense.

## Power-Spectral Density (PSD)

**Definition:** Fourier transform of the ACF:

$$R_X(f) = \mathcal{F}\{r_X(\tau)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} r_X(\tau) e^{-j2\pi f\tau} d\tau$$

**Inverse:**

$$r_X(\tau) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{R_X(f)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_X(f) e^{j2\pi f\tau} df$$

**Power:**

$$E\{X^2(t)\} = r_X(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_X(f) df$$

## Ergodicity 2(2)

**Definition:** A process that is ergodic with respect to all ensemble averages is simply said to be ergodic.

**Theorem:** An ergodic process is SSS.

**Theorem:** A SSS Gaussian process with mean zero is ergodic if and only if its PSD has no impulses.

**Theorem:** A SSS process,  $X(t)$ , is ergodic with respect to its mean if and only if

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T r_X(\tau) d\tau = m_X^2$$

holds.

## Ergodicity 1(2)

A WSS process:

$$m_X = E\{X(t)\}$$

Time-average of one realization:

$$m_T = \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T x(t) dt$$

Time-average of the process:

$$M_T = \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T X(t) dt$$

$$E\{M_T\} = E\left\{\frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T X(t) dt\right\} = \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T E\{X(t)\} dt = \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T m_X dt = m_X$$

**Definition:** If  $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} E\{(M_T - m_X)^2\} = 0$  then  $X(t)$  is said to be ergodic with respect to the mean, and we write

$$m_X = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T X(t) dt \quad (\text{Limes in mean square})$$

**Interpretation:** The time-average of a process is very close to the ensemble mean with probability that is very close to 1 ( $\rightarrow 1, T \rightarrow \infty$ ).

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