

**Random Processes**

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**Note:** for this specific assignment a group of two students can work together and submit one solution.

1. Sample functions in a discrete random process are constants; that is

$$X(t) = C = \text{constant}$$

where  $C$  is a discrete random variable having possible values  $c_1 = 1, c_2 = 2$ , and  $c_3 = 3$  occurring with probabilities 0.7, 0.2, and 0.1, respectively.

- a) Is  $X(t)$  deterministic?
  - b) Find the first order density function of  $X(t)$  at any time  $t$ .
2. Assume that an ergodic process  $X(t)$  has an autocorrelation function

$$R_{XX}(\tau) = 20 + \frac{2}{6 + \tau^2} [1 + 3 \cos(6\tau)]$$

- a) Find  $|\bar{X}|$ .
  - b) Does this process have a periodic component?
  - c) What is the average power in  $X(t)$ ?
3. A random process  $Y(t) = X(t) - X(t + \tau)$  is defined in terms of a process  $X(t)$  that is at least wide-sense stationary.
- a) Show that the mean value of  $Y(t)$  is 0 even if  $X(t)$  has a nonzero mean value.
  - b) Show that:  $\sigma_Y^2 = 2[R_{XX}(0) - R_{XX}(\tau)]$
  - c) If  $Y(t) = X(t) + X(t + \tau)$ , find  $E[Y(t)]$ , and  $\sigma_Y^2$ . How do these results compare to those of part (a) and (b).
4. Given two random processes  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$ . Find the expressions for autocorrelation function of  $W(t) = X(t) + Y(t)$  if :
- a)  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$  are correlated.
  - b) They are uncorrelated.
  - c) They are uncorrelated with zero means.

5. Determine the largest constant  $K$  such that the function

$$R_{XY}(\tau) = K e^{-\tau^2} \sin(\pi\tau)$$

is a valid cross-correlation function of two jointly wide-sense stationary processes  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$  for which  $E[X^2(t)] = 6$  and  $E[Y^2(t)] = 9$ .

6. A small store has two check-out lanes that develop waiting lines. If more than two costumers arrive in any three minute interval. Assume that a Poisson

process describes the number of customers that arrive for check-out. Find the probability of a waiting line if the average rate of customer arrival is

- a) 4 per minute
- b) 2 per minute
- c) 0.5 per minute

7. Let  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$  be independent Gaussian random process with zero means and the same covariance function  $C_{XX}(t_1, t_2)$ . Define the following amplitude modulated signal  $Z(t) = X(t) \cos \omega t + Y(t) \sin \omega t$
- a) Find the mean and autocovariance of  $Z(t)$
  - b) Find the pdf of  $Z(t)$
  - c) Support your answer with Matlab *Monte Carlo* Simulation. Make all needed assumptions and values
8. Let  $M_n$  be the discrete-time process defined as the sequence of sample means of an iid sequence:

$$M_n = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}$$

- a) Find the mean, variance, and covariance of  $M_n$ .
  - b) Does  $M_n$  have independent increments? Stationary increments?
9. Let  $X_n$  consist of an iid sequence of Poisson random variables with mean  $\alpha$ .
- a) Find the pmf of the sum process  $S_n$ .
  - b) Find the joint pmf of  $S_n$  and  $S_{n+k}$ .
10. Noise impulses occur on a telephone line according to Poisson process of rate  $\lambda$ .
- a. Find the probability that no impulses occur during the transmission of a message that is  $t$  seconds long.
  - b. Suppose that the message is encoded so that the errors caused by a single impulse can be corrected. What is the probability that the  $t$ -seconds message is either error-free or correctable?
  - c. Support your answer with Matlab *Monte Carlo* simulation. Assume values for  $\lambda$  and  $t$ .

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In order to learn Random Processes

*"Take chances, make mistakes, get messy!"*

**in the HW assignment!**

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Good luck , **Dr. Ali H. Muqaibel**