

# DSP STOCHASTICS HANDOUT

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# ECE 5213/4213 STOCHASTICS HANDOUT ①

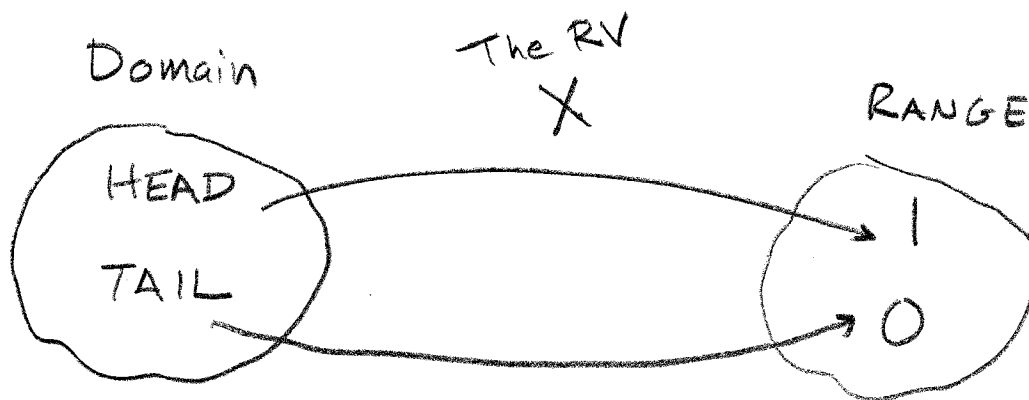
- This handout summarizes the important results and gives examples.
- You may bring this handout to the final exam.

A random variable is a function that maps the outcomes of a chance experiment to numbers.

→ Domain: the set of possible outcomes of the chance experiment.

→ Range: a set of numbers (like  $\mathbb{R}$ , or  $\mathbb{Z}$ , or  $\mathbb{C}$ ).

EX: Coin Toss:



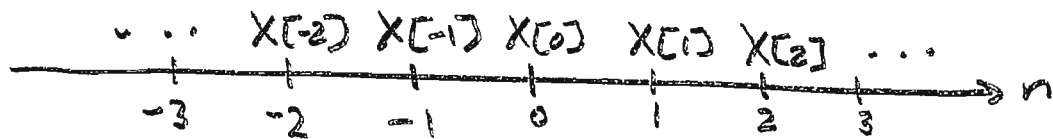
The random variable (RV)  $X$  maps the outcome "HEAD" to the number 1 and the outcome "TAIL" to the number 0.

②  
- Suppose you have a whole bunch of RV's that all have the same domain (the same "underlying experiment space").

- For each trial of the experiment, every random variable maps the outcome to a number.

- For each trial, this gives you a bunch of numbers.

- Let's call the RV's  $\dots X[-1], X[0], X[1], X[2], \dots$  and line them up on an "n" axis:



→ This is called a discrete time "random process" or "stochastic process."

- For each trial of the experiment, each RV gets an outcome. Every one of the RV's, maps this outcome to a number.

→ That makes a deterministic signal  $x[n]$  that is just like the ones from your undergrad signals and systems course

→ This  $x[n]$  is called a "sample function" or a "realization" of the stochastic process.

NOTE: Usually, we use the same notation " $x[n]$ " <sup>(3)</sup> to refer to the stochastic process or to a sample function. Which one is meant should be clear from the context.

⇒ To model deterministic signals, we use functions like  $x[n] = (\frac{1}{2})^n u[n]$ .

⇒ To model statistical signals, we use a stochastic process  $x[n]$ .

- The autocorrelation function of the stochastic process  $x[n]$  is the expected value  
- of the product

- of two of the RV's from the process.

$$R_x(m, l) = E[x[m]x[l]].$$

- If the 2<sup>nd</sup> order statistics of the RV's from the process don't change with time, then the process is called "Wide Sense Stationary" (WSS).

- This says that all the RV's  $x[n]$  have the same mean and the same variance.

★ For a WSS stochastic process, the autocorrelation function  $R_x(m, l) = E[x[m]x[l]]$  depends only on the distance between  $m$  and  $l$ . (4)

- let's call the distance " $k$ ", so that  $k = l - m$ .

- For a WSS stochastic process  $x[n]$ , the autocorrelation is given by  $R_x[k] = E[x[n]x[n+k]]$ .

NOTE: this does not depend on " $n$ ". It only depends on the distance " $k$ ", which is usually called the lag.

NOTE:  $R_x[k] = E[x[n]x[n+k]] = E[x[n+k]x[n]] = R_x[-k]$ .

⇒ So the autocorrelation function for a WSS process is always even.

NOTE: For a WSS process, the autocorrelation  $R_x[k]$  is like a 1-D discrete-time signal.

- It has a z-transform  $S_x(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{R_x[k]\}$ .

→ Since  $R_x[k]$  is even, it is two-sided.

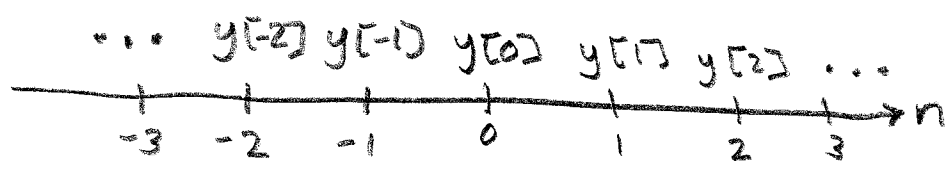
⇒ The ROC of  $S_x(z)$  is always an annulus.

- It has a DTFT  $S_x(e^{j\omega}) = \text{DTFT}\{R_x[k]\}$ .

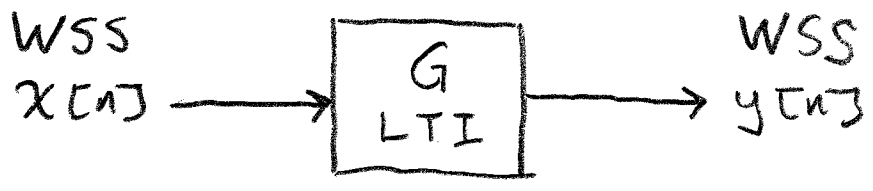
★  $S_x(z)$  and  $S_x(e^{j\omega})$  are both called the "Power Spectrum" of the WSS stochastic process  $x[n]$ .

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- Now suppose you have a second batch of random variables.
- Let's call them ...  $y[-1]$ ,  $y[0]$ ,  $y[1]$ ,  $y[2]$ , ...
- If you line them up on an "n" axis, then you will have a second stochastic process  $y[n]$ :



- Suppose that  $G$  is an LTI system with impulse response  $g[n]$ , frequency response  $G(e^{j\omega})$ , and transfer function  $G(z)$ .
- We can use the stochastic process  $x[n]$  to model the system input and the stochastic process  $y[n]$  to model the system output.
- If  $x[n]$  is a WSS stochastic process and if  $G$  is LTI, then  $y[n]$  is also a WSS stochastic process:



- So the autocorrelation of  $y[n]$  is a function of only one variable:

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$$R_y[k] = E[y[n]y[n+k]].$$

NOTE:  
 $R_y[k]$  is  
always even.

- The power spectrum of the process  $y[n]$  is given by

$$S_y(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{R_y[k]\}$$

or

$$S_y(e^{j\omega}) = \text{DTFT}\{R_y[k]\}.$$

$\Rightarrow$  Moreover, the input  $x[n]$  and output  $y[n]$  are jointly WSS. This means that the input-output cross-correlation function  $R_{xy}$  is a function of only one variable:

$$R_{xy}[k] = E[x[n]y[n+k]].$$

★ It is given by

$$\begin{aligned} R_{xy}[k] &= R_x[k] * g[k] \\ &= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} R_x[m]g[m-k] \\ &= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} R_x[m-k]g[m], \end{aligned}$$

- The input-output cross power is given by

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$$S_{xy}(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{R_{xy}[k]\}$$

$$S_{xy}(e^{j\omega}) = \text{DTFT}\{R_{xy}[k]\}.$$

DEF: A stochastic process  $x[n]$  is called "independent, identically distributed" or "IID" if all the RVs have the same pdf and they are all mutually independent.

- This implies that all the RVs  $x[n]$  have the same mean  $\mu_x$  and the same variance  $\sigma_x^2$ .

- This also implies that the process  $x[n]$  is WSS.

DEF: A stochastic process  $x[n]$  is called "white noise" if the power spectrum  $S_x(e^{j\omega})$  is flat. In other words,  $S_x(e^{j\omega})$  and  $S_x(z)$  are constant.

- This implies that all of the RVs  $x[n]$  have zero mean.

- This also implies that the autocorrelation  $R_x[k]$  is a constant times  $\delta[k]$ .



- If  $x[n]$  is a stochastic process that is white and IID, then it is WSS and zero mean.

- The autocorrelation is given by

$$R_x[k] = E[x[n]x[n+k]] = \sigma_x^2 \delta[k] = \begin{cases} \sigma_x^2, & k=0 \\ 0, & k \neq 0. \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow$  The RVs  $x[n]$  and  $x[n+k]$  are uncorrelated if  $k \neq 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \text{If } k=0, \text{ then } R_x[k] &= R_x[0] \\ &= E[x^2[n]] \\ &= \sigma_x^2, \text{ since the mean is zero.} \end{aligned}$$

Note: this variance does not depend on "n". Since the process is WSS, all the RVs  $x[n]$  have the same variance.

- The power spectrum is given by

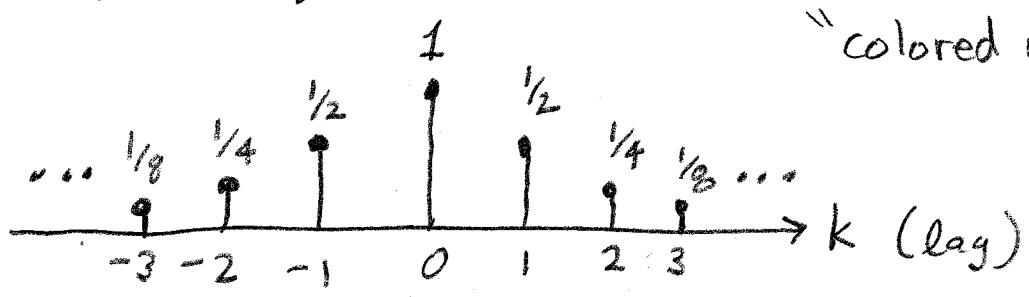
$$S_x(z) = \mathcal{Z}\{R_x[k]\} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} R_x[k] z^{-k} = \sigma_x^2, \text{ ROC: all } z.$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_x(e^{j\omega}) &= \text{DTFT}\{R_x[k]\} \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} R_x[k] e^{-j\omega k} = \sigma_x^2. \end{aligned}$$

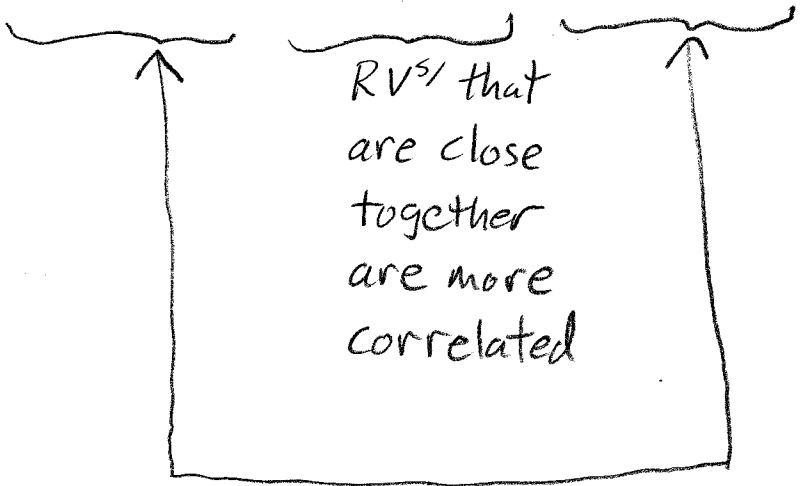
- A stochastic process  $x[n]$  that is not white noise is called "colored noise".

- If  $x[n]$  is WSS, the autocorrelation usually "falls off" with increasing lag. In other words, RV's  $x[k]$  that are close together are usually correlated with one another, whereas those that are far apart are usually less correlated or uncorrelated.

EX:  $R_x[k] = (\frac{1}{2})^{|k|}$



"colored noise"



RV's that are farther apart are less correlated

- When an LTI system  $G$  has input and output that are deterministic signals  $x[n]$  and  $y[n]$ , then



$$y[n] = x[n] * g[n]$$

$$Y(z) = X(z)G(z)$$

$$Y(e^{j\omega}) = X(e^{j\omega})G(e^{j\omega})$$

- When an LTI system  $G$  has input  $x[n]$  that is a WSS stochastic process, then the output  $y[n]$  is also a WSS stochastic process.



- moreover,  $x[n]$  and  $y[n]$  are jointly WSS.

☆☆☆ There are  $Y = XG$  "like" relations that apply to this situation. They are called "Wiener-Kintchine" relations or "Wiener-Hopf" relations.

⇒ They are summarized on the next two pages.

⇒ Some example problems are given after that.

# Definitions

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- $x[n]$  and  $y[n]$  are mutually WSS stochastic processes.
- $g[n]$  is assumed real.

$$g[n] \xleftrightarrow{\text{DTFT}} G(e^{j\omega}) \quad g[n] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} G(z)$$

Input Autocorrelation:  $R_x[k] = E[x[n]x[n+k]]$

Output Autocorrelation:  $R_y[k] = E[y[n]y[n+k]]$

Input-Output cross-correlation:

$$R_{xy}[k] = E[x[n]y[n+k]] = R_x[k] * g[k]$$

Input Power Spectrum:

$$R_x[k] \xleftrightarrow{\text{DTFT}} S_x(e^{j\omega})$$
$$R_x[k] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} S_x(z)$$

Output Power Spectrum:

$$R_y[k] \xleftrightarrow{\text{DTFT}} S_y(e^{j\omega})$$
$$R_y[k] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} S_y(z)$$

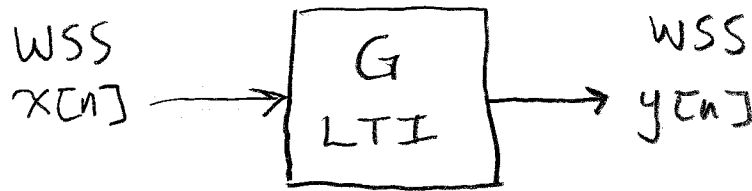
Input-Output

Cross Power :

$$R_{xy}[k] \xleftrightarrow{\text{DTFT}} S_{xy}(e^{j\omega})$$
$$R_{xy}[k] \xleftrightarrow{\mathcal{Z}} S_{xy}(z)$$

# What's Important

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$$S_y(z) = S_x(z) G(z) G(z^{-1})$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_y(e^{j\omega}) &= S_x(e^{j\omega}) |G(e^{j\omega})|^2 \\ &= S_x(e^{j\omega}) G(e^{j\omega}) G(e^{-j\omega}) \end{aligned}$$

Assuming  
 $g[n]$  is  
real.

$$S_{xy}(z) = S_x(z) G(z)$$

$$S_{xy}(e^{j\omega}) = S_x(e^{j\omega}) G(e^{j\omega})$$



Table:  $H(z) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{2}$

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$$S_{xy}(z) = S_x(z)H(z) = \frac{-\frac{3}{2}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})(1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})}$$

ROC:  $\frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$

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Example 2

H is a discrete-time LTI system with impulse response  $h[n] = (-\frac{1}{2})^n u[n]$ .

The system input is a WSS stochastic process  $x[n]$  with autocorrelation  $R_x[k] = (\frac{1}{2})^{|k|}$ .

The system output is  $y[n]$ .

→ Find the output power spectrum.

Solution

$$S_x(z) = \frac{-\frac{3}{2}z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})}, \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$$

As in the last example.

Table:  $H(z) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, |z| > \frac{1}{2}$  As in the last example



Now, the ROC of  $H(z)$  is  $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$ .

$\Rightarrow$  If  $z$  is in the ROC of  $H(z)$ , then  $|z| > \frac{1}{2}$ .  
Then  $|z^{-1}| = |\frac{1}{z}| < 2$ .

$\Rightarrow$  So the ROC of  $H(z^{-1})$  is  $|z| < 2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
H(z^{-1}) &= \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2}z}, \quad |z| < 2 \\
&= \frac{z^{-1}}{z^{-1} + \frac{1}{2}}, \quad |z| < 2 \\
&= \frac{2z^{-1}}{1 + 2z^{-1}}, \quad |z| < 2.
\end{aligned}$$

$$H(z)H(z^{-1}) = \frac{2z^{-1}}{(1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + 2z^{-1})}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S_y(z) &= S_x(z)H(z)H(z^{-1}) \\
&= \frac{-3z^{-2}}{(1 + \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 + 2z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2
\end{aligned}$$


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### Example 3

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Let  $x[n]$  be a WSS white noise process with variance  $R_x[0] = \sigma_x^2$ .

→ Find a discrete-time LTI filter  $H$  that will transform  $x[n]$  into a colored noise  $y[n]$  with power spectrum

$$S_y(z) = \frac{-2z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{5}{2}z^{-1} + z^{-2}}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2.$$

### Solution

Since  $x[n]$  is a white noise, the input autocorrelation is

$$R_x[k] = \sigma_x^2 \delta[k].$$

Table:  $S_x(z) = \sigma_x^2$ , all  $z$ .

From the Wiener-Kintchine relations, we have

$$S_y(z) = S_x(z) H(z) H(z^{-1}).$$

Plugging in the given  $S_y(z)$ , we have

$$\frac{-2z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{5}{2}z^{-1} + z^{-2}} = \sigma_x^2 H(z) H(z^{-1})$$

$$H(z) H(z^{-1}) = \frac{\frac{-2}{\sigma_x^2} z^{-1}}{1 - \frac{5}{2}z^{-1} + z^{-2}} = \frac{\frac{-2}{\sigma_x^2} z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2$$

- We need to work on the last expression on page 16 to get it into the form  $H(z)H(z^{-1})$ .
- We want  $H$  to be causal and stable... so we need the poles of  $H(z)$  to be inside the unit circle.

→ Put the term  $(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})$  in the denominator of  $H(z)$ .

→ Then we need a term  $(1 - \frac{1}{2}z)$  for the denominator of  $H(z^{-1})$ .

⇒ We've got  $(1 - 2z^{-1})$  on the last line of page 16. If we multiply top and bottom by  $-\frac{1}{2}z$ , this will turn into

$$-\frac{1}{2}z(1 - 2z^{-1}) = (-\frac{1}{2}z + 1) = (1 - \frac{1}{2}z) \checkmark$$

which is the term we need.

- So multiply the last line on p. 16 by  $\frac{-\frac{1}{2}z}{-\frac{1}{2}z} (= 1)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(z)H(z^{-1}) &= \frac{-\frac{2}{\sigma_x^2} z^{-1}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - 2z^{-1})} \cdot \frac{-\frac{1}{2}z}{-\frac{1}{2}z}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < |z| < 2 \\
 &= \frac{\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2}}{(1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1})(1 - \frac{1}{2}z)} = \underbrace{\frac{1/\sigma_x}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}}_{H(z)} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1/\sigma_x}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z}}_{H(z^{-1})} \rightarrow \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad |z| > \frac{1}{2} \qquad\qquad\qquad |z| < 2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } H(z) = \frac{1/\sigma_x}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z^{-1}}, \quad |z| > \frac{1}{2}$$

By table lookup, the impulse response of the required filter is

$$h[n] = \frac{1}{\sigma_x} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n u[n]$$

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