Introduction to Random Processes

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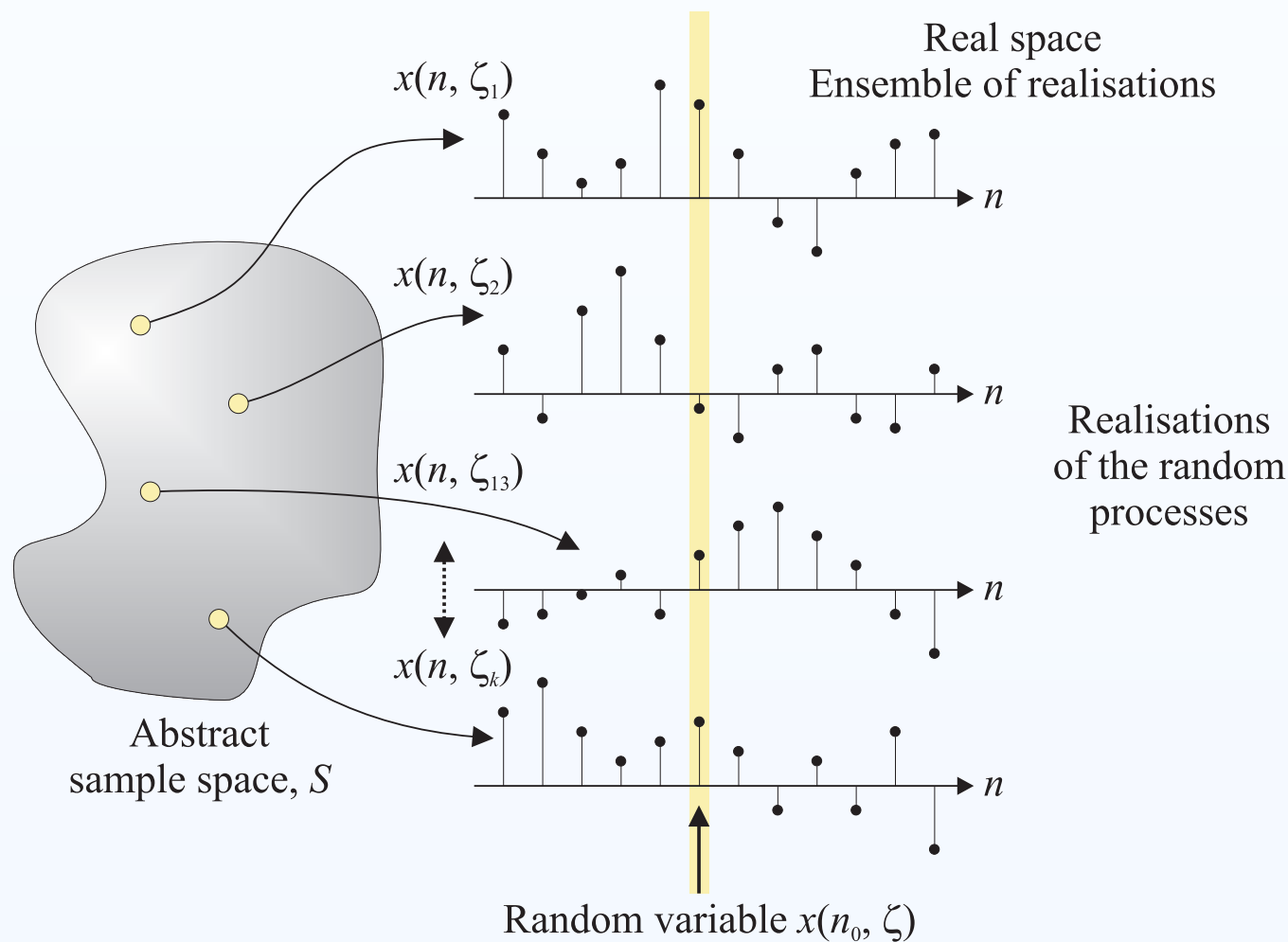
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Real space
Ensemble of realisations

$x(n, \zeta_1)$

$x(n, \zeta_2)$

$x(n, \zeta_{13})$

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Realisations of the random processes

Abstract sample space, S

Random variable $x(n_0, \zeta)$

A graphical representation of a random process.

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Use simplified notation $x[n] \equiv x[n, \zeta]$ to denote both a stochastic process, and a single realisation. Use the terms **random process** and **stochastic process** interchangeably throughout this course.

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If this is the case for a random process, then it is called **predictable**, otherwise it is said to be **unpredictable** or a **regular process**.

Description using pdfs

For fixed $n = n_0$, $x[n_0, \zeta]$ is a random variable. Moreover, the random vector formed from the k random variables $\{x[n_j], j \in \{1, \ldots k\}\}$ is characterised by the cumulative distribution function (cdf) and pdfs:

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In exactly the same way as with random variables and random vectors, it is:

- 🔴 difficult to estimate these probability functions without considerable additional information or assumptions;

- 🔴 possible to frequently characterise stochastic processes usefully with much less information.

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Autocorrelation sequence The second-order statistic $r_{xx}[n_1, n_2]$ provides a measure of the dependence between values of the process at two different times; it can provide information about the time variation of the process:

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To show how these deterministic sequences of a stochastic process can be calculated, several examples are considered in detail below.

Example of calculating autocorrelations

Example ([Manolakis:2000, Ex 3.9, page 144]). The harmonic process $x[n]$ is defined by:

$$x[n] = \sum_{k=1}^{M} A_k \, \cos(\omega_k n + \phi_k), \quad \omega_k \neq 0$$

where M, $\{A_k\}_1^M$ and $\{\omega_k\}_1^M$ are constants, and $\{\phi_k\}_1^M$ are pairwise independent random variables uniformly distributed in the interval $[0, 2\pi]$.

1. Determine the mean of $x(n)$.

2. Show the autocorrelation sequence is given by

$$r_{xx}[\ell] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{M} |A_k|^2 \, \cos \omega_k \ell, \quad -\infty < \ell < \infty$$

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$$\mathbb{E}\left[x(n)\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{k=1}^{M} A_k \ \cos(\omega_k n + \phi_k)\right] = \sum_{k=1}^{M} A_k \ \mathbb{E}\left[\cos(\omega_k n + \phi_k)\right]$$

Since a co-sinusoid is zero-mean, then:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\cos(\omega_k n + \phi_k)\right] = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos(\omega_k n + \phi_k) \times \frac{1}{2\pi} \times d\phi_k = 0$$

Hence, it follows:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[x(n)\right] = 0, \quad \forall n \qquad \square$$

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After some algebra, it can be shown that:

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\mathbb{E}\left[\cos(\omega_k n_1 + \phi_k) \cos(\omega_j n_2 + \phi_j) \right] = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \cos \omega_k (n_1 - n_2) & k = j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}
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where $g(\phi_k) = \cos(\omega_k n_1 + \phi_k)$ and $h(\phi_k) = \cos(\omega_j n_2 + \phi_j)$, and the fact that ϕ_k and ϕ_j are independent implies the expectation function may be factorised.

Types of Stochastic Processes

Independence A stochastic process is independent if, and only if, (iff)

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A stationary process is a random process where its statistical properties do not vary with time. Processes whose statistical properties **do** change with time are referred to as **nonstationary**.

Stationary Processes

A random process $x(n)$ has been called **stationary** if its statistics determined for $x(n)$ are equal to those for $x(n+k)$, for every k. There are various formal definitions of **stationarity**, along with **quasi-stationary** processes, which are discussed below.

- **Order-N and strict-sense stationarity**
- **Wide-sense stationarity**
- **Wide-sense periodicity** and **cyclo-stationarity**
- Local- or **quasi-stationary** processes

After this, some examples of various stationary processes will be given.

Order-N and strict-sense stationarity

Definition (Stationary of order-N). A stochastic process $x(n)$ is called **stationary of order-N** if:

$$f_X \left(x_1, \ldots, x_N \mid n_1, \ldots, n_N \right) = f_X \left(x_1, \ldots, x_N \mid n_1 + k, \ldots, n_N + k \right)$$

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An independent and identically distributed process is SSS since, in this case, $f_{X_k}\left(x_k \mid n_k\right) = f_X\left(x_k\right)$ is independent of n, and therefore also of $n + k$.

However, SSS is more restrictive than necessary in practical applications, and is a rarely required property.

Wide-sense stationarity

A more relaxed form of stationarity, which is sufficient for practical problems, occurs when a random process is stationary order-2; such a process is **wide-sense stationary (WSS)**.

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Definition (Wide-sense stationarity). A random signal $x(n)$ is called wide-sense stationary if:

- the mean and variance is constant and independent of n:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[x(n)\right] = \mu_x$$

$$\operatorname{var}\left[x(n)\right] = \sigma_x^2$$

- the autocorrelation depends only on the time difference $l = n_1 - n_2$, called the lag:

$$r_{xx}(n_1, n_2) = r_{xx}^*(n_2, n_1) = \mathbb{E}\left[x(n_1)\, x^*(n_2)\right]$$

$$= r_{xx}(l) = r_{xx}(n_1 - n_2) = \mathbb{E}\left[x(n_1)\, x^*(n_1 - l)\right] \qquad \diamondsuit$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[x(n_2 + l)\, x^*(n_2)\right]$$

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- The autocovariance function is given by:

$$\gamma_{xx}(l) = r_{xx}(l) - |\mu_x|^2$$

- Since 2nd-order moments are defined in terms of 2nd-order pdf, then strict-sense stationary are always WSS, but not necessarily *vice-versa*, except if the signal is Gaussian.

- In practice, however, it is very rare to encounter a signal that is stationary in the wide-sense, but not stationary in the strict sense.

Wide-sense cyclo-stationarity

Two classes of **nonstationary process** which, in part, have properties resembling stationary signals are:

1. A wide-sense periodic (WSP) process is classified as signals whose mean is periodic, and whose autocorrelation function is periodic in both dimensions:

$$\mu_x(n) = \mu_x(n + N)$$

$$r_{xx}(n_1, n_2) = r_{xx}(n_1 + N, n_2) = r_{xx}(n_1, n_2 + N)$$

$$= r_{xx}(n_1 + N, n_2 + N)$$

for all n, n_1 and n_2. These are quite tight constraints for real signals.

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2. A wide-sense cyclo-stationary process has similar but less restrictive properties than a WSP process, in that the mean is periodic, but the autocorrelation function is now just invariant to a shift by N in both of its arguments:

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Note that, more generally, even a correlation function for a nonstationary random process is **positive semi-definite**:

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A stochastic process, $x(n)$, is **ergodic** if its ensemble averages can be estimated from a single realisation of a process using time averages.

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- It should be intuitiveness obvious that ergodic processes must be stationary and, moreover, that a process which is ergodic both in the mean and correlation is WSS.

- WSS processes are not necessarily ergodic.

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Theorem (PSD of a non-zero-mean process with periodic component).
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2. For the case when $x(n)$ is real, then:

$$P_{xx}(z) = P_{xx}(z^{-1})$$

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Linear Systems Theory

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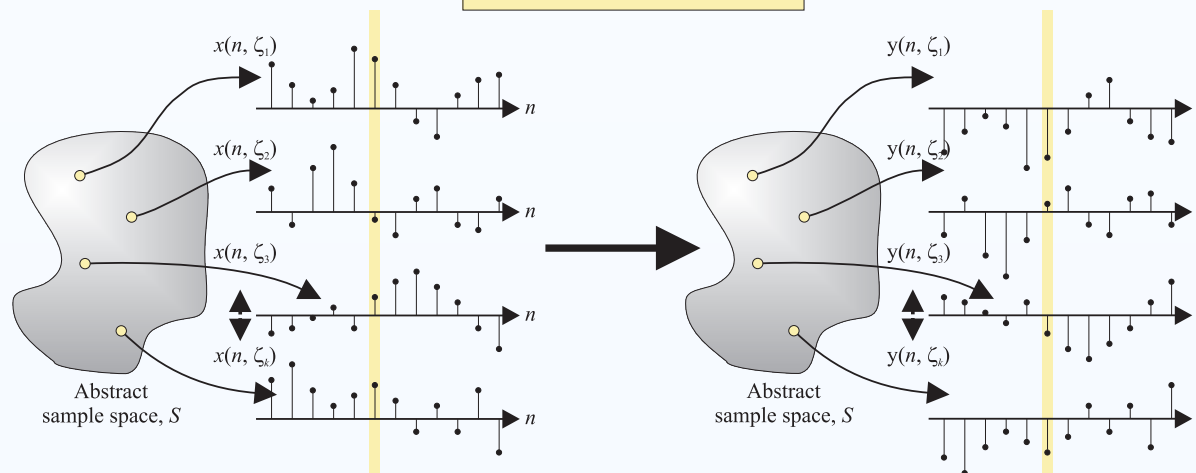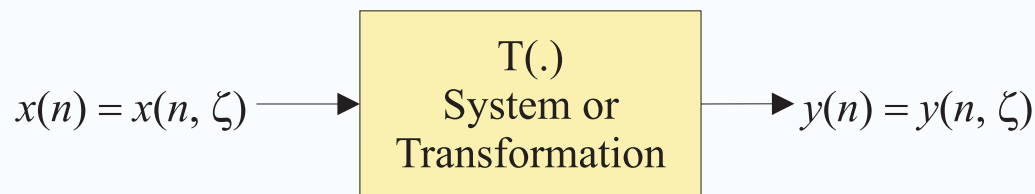
A graphical representation of a random process at the output of a system in relation to a random process at the input of the system.

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● A complete description of $y(n, \zeta)$ requires the computation of an infinite number of convolutions, corresponding to each value of ζ.

● Thus, a better description would be to consider the statistical properties of $y(n, \zeta)$ in terms of the statistical properties of the input and the characteristics of the system.

LTI Systems with Stationary Inputs

To investigate the statistical input-output properties of a linear system, note the following fundamental theorem:

Theorem (Expectation in Linear Systems). For any linear system,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[L[x(n)]\right] = L[\mathbb{E}\left[x(n)\right]]$$

In other words, the mean $\mu_y(n)$ of the output $y(n)$ equals the response of the system to the mean $\mu_x(n)$ of the input:

$$\mu_y(n) = L[\mu_x(n)] \qquad \diamondsuit$$

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$$r_{xy}[\ell] = h^*[-\ell] * r_{xx}[\ell] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h^*[-k] \, r_{xx}[\ell - k]$$

Similarly, it follows that $r_{yx}(l) = h(l) * r_{xx}(l)$.

Input-output Statistics of a LTI System

Output autocorrelation is obtained by pre-multiplying the system-output by $y^*(n-l)$ and taking expectations:

$$r_{yy}(l) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} h(k)\, \mathbb{E}\left[x(n-k)\, y^*(n-l)\right] = h(l) * r_{xy}(l)$$

Substituting the expression for $r_{xy}(l)$ gives:

$$r_{yy}(l) = h(l) * h^*(-l) * r_{xx}(l) = r_{hh}(l) * r_{xx}(l)$$
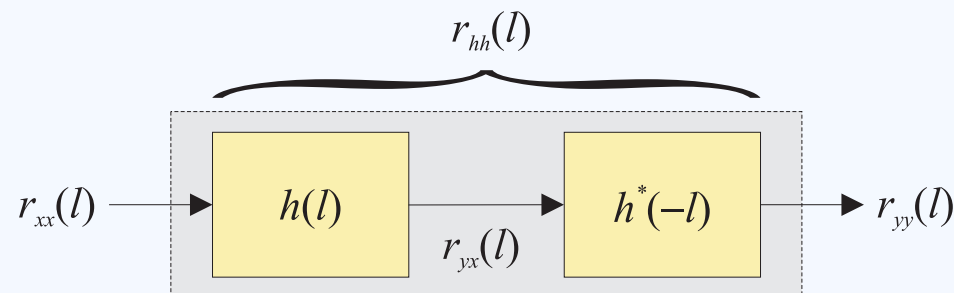
An equivalent LTI system for autocorrelation filtration.

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Output-power of the process $y(n)$ is given by $r_{yy}(0) = \mathbb{E}\left[|y(n)|^2\right]$, and therefore since $r_{yy}(l) = r_{hh}(l) * r_{xx}(l)$,

Noting power, P_{yy}, is real, then taking complex-conjugates using $r_{xx}^*(-l) = r_{xx}(l)$:

$$P_{yy} = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} r_{hh}^*(k)\, r_{xx}(k) =$$
$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h^*(n) \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} r_{xx}(n+k)\, h(k)$$

Output pdf In general, it is very difficult to calculate the pdf of the output of a LTI system, except in special cases, namely Gaussian processes.

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System identification

White noise input
$x(n) = x(n, \zeta)$
$r_{xx}(l) = \delta(l)$ → Unknown LTI system, $h(t)$ → $y(n) = y(n, \zeta)$ → Cross-correlate → $r_{yx}(l) = h(l)$

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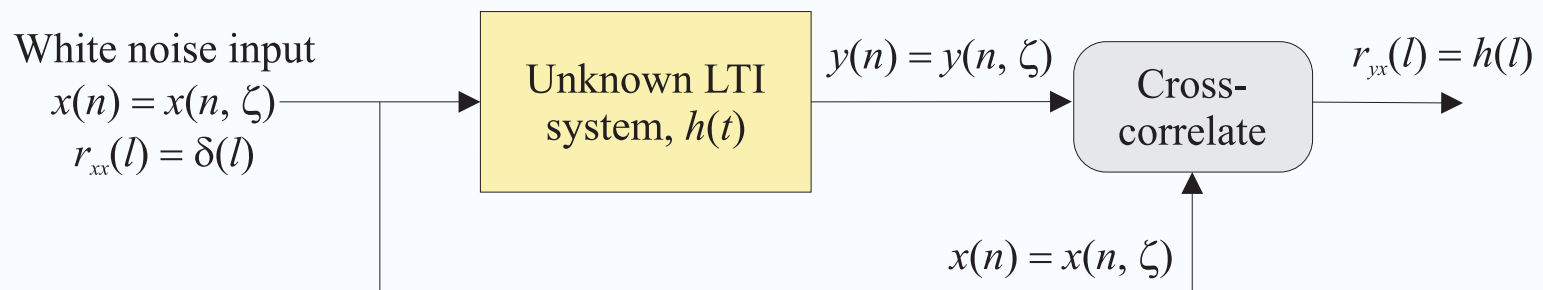
System identification by cross-correlation.

The system is excited with a white Gaussian noise (WGN) input with autocorrelation function:

$$r_{xx}(l) = \delta(l)$$

Since the output-input cross-correlation can be written as:

$$r_{yx}(l) = h(l) * r_{xx}(l)$$

then, with $r_{xx}(l) = \delta(l)$, it follows:

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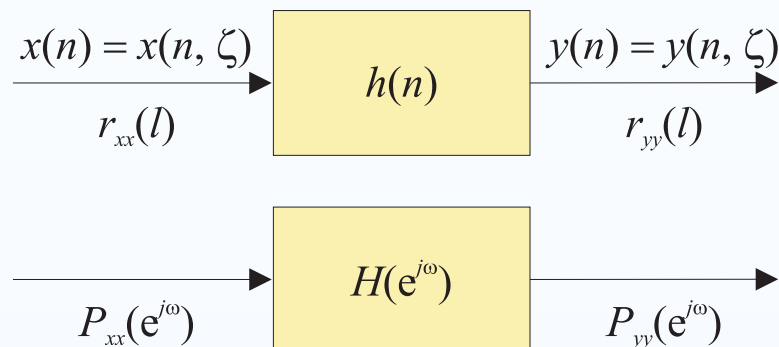
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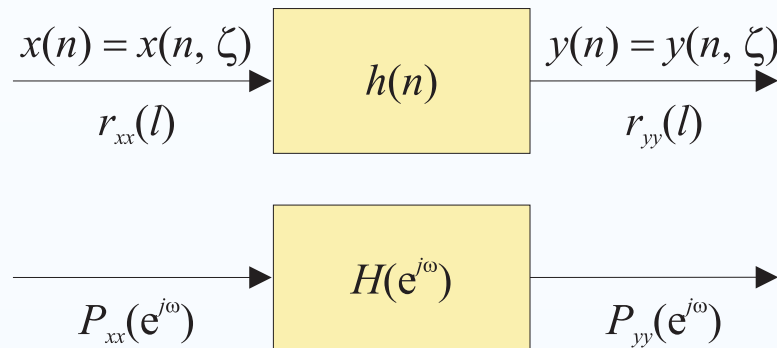
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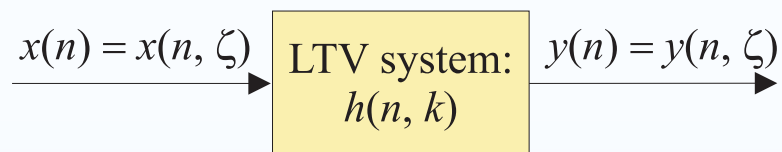
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The mean, autocorrelation and autocovariance sequences of the output, $y(n)$, as well as the cross-correlation and cross-covariance functions between the input and the output, can be calculated in a similar way as for LTI systems with stationary inputs.

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$$\mu_y = \frac{\sum_{q=0}^{Q} b_q}{1 + \sum_{p=1}^{P} a_p}\mu_x$$

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Next, multiplying the system equation throughout by $y^*(m)$ and taking expectations gives:

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These two difference equations may be used to solve for $r_{yy}(n_1, n_2)$ and $r_{xy}(n_1, n_2)$. Similar expressions can be obtained for the covariance functions.

Difference Equation

Example ([Manolakis:2000, Example 3.6.2, Page 141]). Let $x(n)$ be a random process generated by the first order difference equation given by:

$$x(n) = \alpha\, x(n-1) + w(n), \quad |\alpha| \le 1,\, n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

where $w(n) \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_w,\, \sigma_w^2\right)$ is an i. i. d. WGN process.

- Demonstrate that the process $x(n)$ is stationary, and determine the mean μ_x.

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The Ubiquitous WGN Sequence

The simplest random signal model is the WSS WGN sequence:

$$w(n) \sim \mathcal{N}\left(0,\ \sigma_w^2\right)$$

The sequence is i. i. d., and $P_{ww}(e^{j\omega}) = \sigma_w^2$, $-\pi < \omega \leq \pi$. It is also easy to generate samples using simple algorithms.

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White noise $P_{ww}(e^{j\omega})$ σ_w^2

$-\pi$ 0 $+\pi$ ω

White harmonic process $P_{ww}(k)$

$-\pi$ 0 $+\pi$ ω

Input excitation $w(n) = w(n, \zeta)$

$H(e^{j\omega})$ LTI System

$-\pi$ 0 $+\pi$ ω

$H(z)$ or $D(z)/A(z)$ or $1/A(z)$

Desired signal $x(n) = x(n, \zeta)$

$P_{xx}(e^{j\omega})$

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Signal models with continuous and discrete (line) power spectrum densities.

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Two important analysis tools present themselves for parametric modelling:

1. given the model parameters, analyse the characteristics of that model (in terms of moments etc.);

2. design of a parametric system model to produce a random signal with a specified **autocorrelation** function or PSD. This is **signal modelling**.

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Taking z-transforms gives the system function:

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H(z) = \frac{X(z)}{W(z)} = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{Q} d_k \, z^{-k}}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^{P} a_k \, z^{-k}}
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\triangleq \frac{D(z)}{A(z)} = G \, \frac{\prod_{k=1}^{Q} (1 - z_k \, z^{-1})}{\prod_{k=1}^{P} (1 - p_k \, z^{-1})}
$$

This system has Q zeros, $\{z_k, \, k \in \mathcal{Q}\}$ where $\mathcal{Q} = \{1, \ldots, Q\}$, and P poles, $\{p_k, \, k \in \mathcal{P}\}$. The term G is the system gain.

Types of pole-zero models

All-pole model when $Q = 0$. The input-output difference equation is given by:

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Pole-zero model when $P > 0$ and $Q > 0$.

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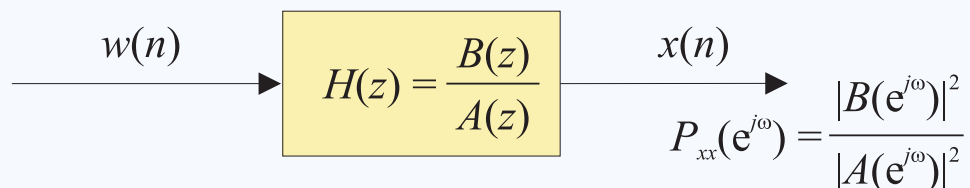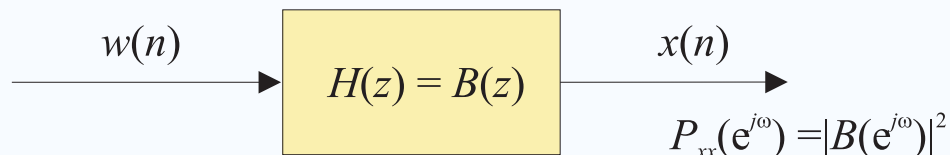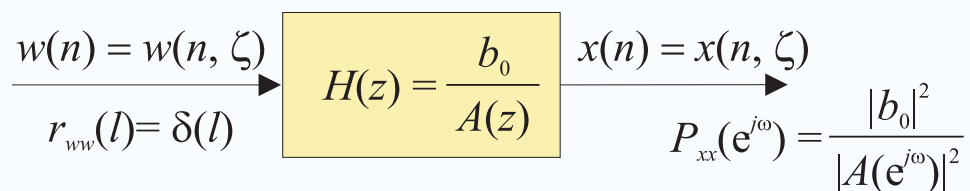
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each subject to a WGN process at the input.

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There are various model properties of the all-pole model that are useful; these include:

1. the systems impulse response;

2. the autocorrelation of the impulse response;

3. and minimum-phase conditions.

Frequency Response of an All-Pole Filter

The all-pole model has form:

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$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{d_0}{\prod_{k=1}^{P}(1 - r_k \, e^{-j(\omega - \omega_k)})}$$

Hence, it can be deduced that resonances occur near the frequencies corresponding to the phase position of the poles.

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The output of a causal pole-zero model is given by the recursive input-output relationship:

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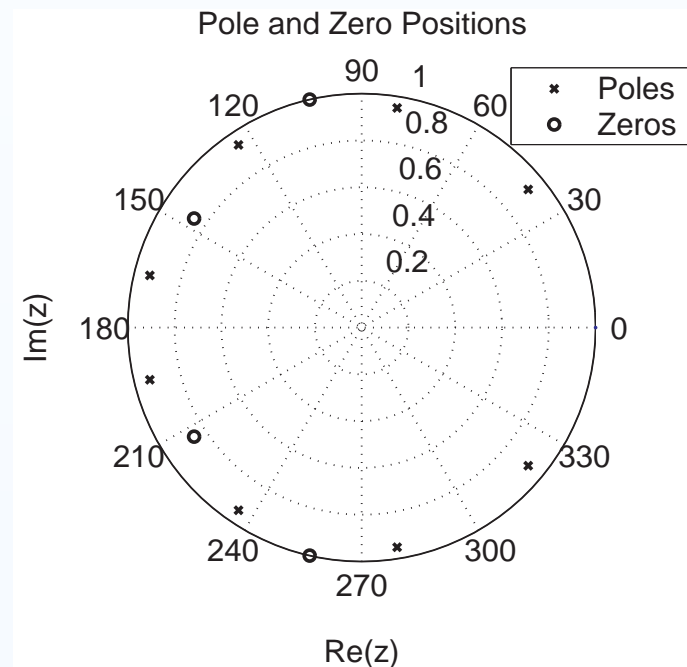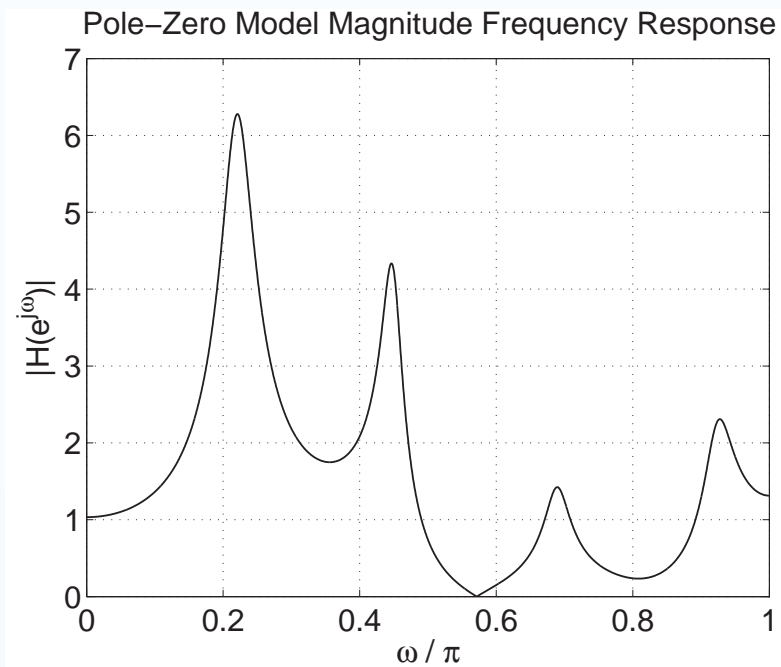
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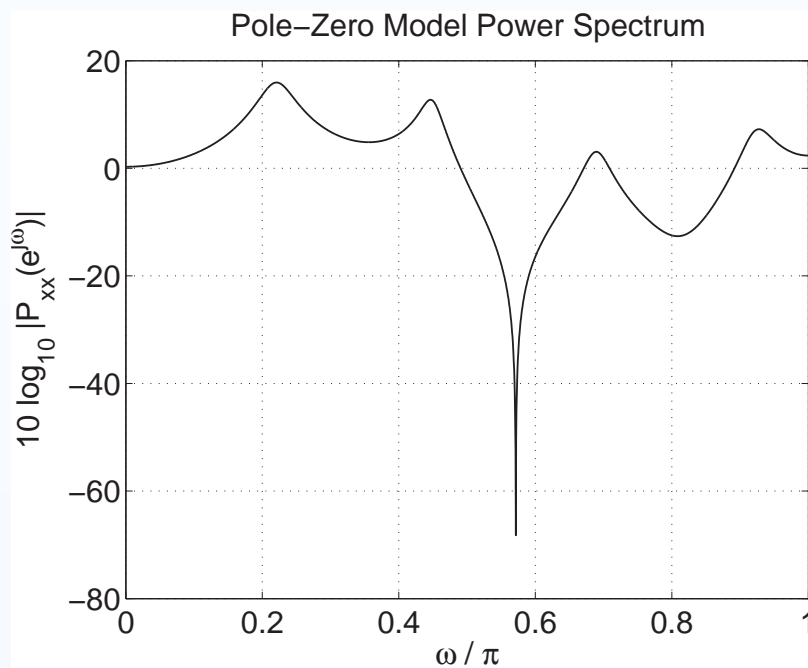
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