

**ECE4270**  
**Fundamentals of DSP**

**Lectures 6**

**Random Processes**

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**Overview of Lectures 6**

- Fourier Transform Theorems (Lecture 5)
- The Fourier-domain convolution theorem (Lecture 5)
- Examples of usage of the DTFT (Lecture 5)
- Frequency Response of DE (Lecture 5)
- Random process
  - Probability distributions
  - Averages: Mean, variance, correlation
- Stationary random processes
- Time averages and ergodic random processes
- The Bernoulli random process

**TABLE 2.2** FOURIER TRANSFORM THEOREMS

Sequence	Fourier Transform
$x[n]$	$X(e^{j\omega})$
$y[n]$	$Y(e^{j\omega})$
1. $ax[n] + by[n]$	$aX(e^{j\omega}) + bY(e^{j\omega})$
2. $x[n - n_d]$ ( $n_d$ an integer)	$e^{-j\omega n_d} X(e^{j\omega})$
3. $e^{j\omega_0 n} x[n]$	$X(e^{j(\omega - \omega_0)})$
4. $x[-n]$	$X(e^{-j\omega})$ $X^*(e^{j\omega})$ if $x[n]$ real.
5. $nx[n]$	$j \frac{dX(e^{j\omega})}{d\omega}$
6. $x[n] * y[n]$	$X(e^{j\omega})Y(e^{j\omega})$
7. $x[n]y[n]$	$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(e^{j\theta})Y(e^{j(\omega - \theta)})d\theta$
Parseval's theorem:	
8. $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}  x[n] ^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi}  X(e^{j\omega}) ^2 d\omega$	
9. $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]y^*[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(e^{j\omega})Y^*(e^{j\omega})d\omega$	

**DTFT of Sinusoids**

- Recall that

$$x[n] = 1 \Leftrightarrow X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi\delta(\omega + 2\pi r)$$

- Also note that

$$x[n]e^{j\omega_0 n} \Leftrightarrow X(e^{j(\omega - \omega_0)})$$

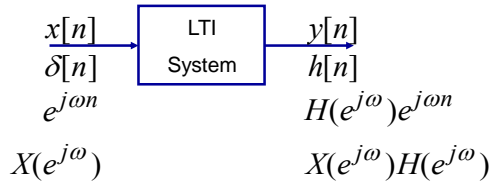
- Therefore

$$e^{j\omega_0 n} \Leftrightarrow \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} 2\pi\delta(\omega - \omega_0 + 2\pi r)$$

$$\cos \omega_0 n \Leftrightarrow \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} \pi\delta(\omega + \omega_0 + 2\pi r) + \pi\delta(\omega - \omega_0 + 2\pi r)$$

## Convolution Theorem

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} x[k]h[n-k] \Leftrightarrow Y(e^{j\omega}) = X(e^{j\omega})H(e^{j\omega})$$



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## Example 1

$$h_{lp}[n] = \frac{\sin \omega_c n}{\pi n} \Leftrightarrow$$

- Find the output when the input is

$$x[n] = \cos \omega_0 n \Leftrightarrow$$

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{r=-\infty}^{\infty} \pi \delta(\omega + \omega_0 + 2\pi r) + \pi \delta(\omega - \omega_0 + 2\pi r)$$

$$y[n] = \cos \omega_0 n \quad \text{if } \omega_0 < \omega_c$$

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## Example 2

$$h_{lp}[n] = \frac{\sin \omega_c n}{\pi n} \Leftrightarrow$$

- Find the output when the input is

$$x[n] = \frac{\sin(\omega_0 n)}{2\pi n}$$

$$y[n] = \frac{\sin(\omega_0 n)}{2\pi n} \quad \text{if } \omega_c \gg \omega_0$$

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## Frequency Response of a DE

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k y[n-k] = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k x[n-k]$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a_k Y(e^{j\omega}) e^{-j\omega k} = \sum_{k=0}^M b_k X(e^{j\omega}) e^{-j\omega k}$$

$$\left( \sum_{k=0}^N a_k e^{-j\omega k} \right) Y(e^{j\omega}) = \left( \sum_{k=0}^M b_k e^{-j\omega k} \right) X(e^{j\omega})$$

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{Y(e^{j\omega})}{X(e^{j\omega})} = \frac{\left( \sum_{k=0}^M b_k e^{-j\omega k} \right)}{\left( \sum_{k=0}^N a_k e^{-j\omega k} \right)}$$

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### Example 3

- Suppose that the difference equation is

$$y[n] = y[n-1] - .9y[n-2] + x[n] + x[n-1]$$

- The frequency response is

$$H(e^{j\omega}) = \frac{1 + e^{-j\omega}}{1 - e^{-j\omega} + .9e^{-j\omega 2}}$$

- This system is implemented in MATLAB by

```
>> y=filter([1,1],[1,-.9],x)
```

We can compute its frequency response by

```
>> omega=(0:500)*pi/500;
```

```
>> H=freqz([1,1],[1,-.9],omega);
```

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### What is a random signal?

- Many signals vary in complicated patterns that cannot easily be described by simple equations.
  - It is often convenient and useful to consider such signals as being created by some sort of random mechanism.
  - Many such signals are considered to be “noise”, although this is not always the case.
- The mathematical representation of “random signals” involves the concept of a *random process*.

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### Random Process

- A random process is an indexed set of random variables  $\{x_n\}$ , each of which is characterized by a probability distribution (or density)

$$P_{x_n}(x_n, n) = \text{Prob}\{x_n \leq x_n\} = \int_{-\infty}^{x_n} p_{x_n}(x, n) dx$$

$$p_{x_n}(x_n, n) = \frac{\partial P_{x_n}(x_n, n)}{\partial x_n} \quad -\infty < n < \infty$$

and the collection of random variables is characterized by a set of joint probability distributions such as (for all  $n$  and  $m$ ),

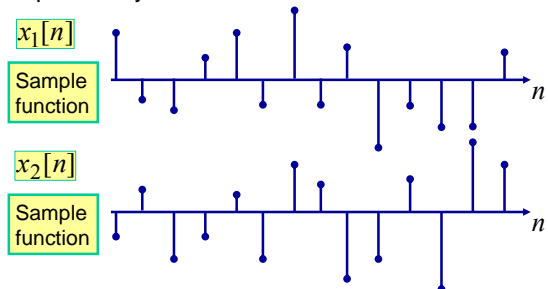
$$P_{x_n, x_m}(x_n, n, x_m, m) = \text{Prob}\{x_n \leq x_n \text{ and } x_m \leq x_m\}$$

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### Ensemble of Sample Functions

- We imagine that there are an infinite set of possible sequences where the value at  $n$  is governed by a probability law. We call this set an *ensemble*.

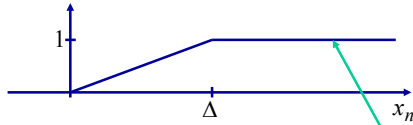


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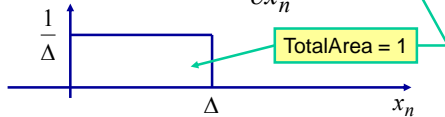
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## Uniform Distribution

$$P_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x_n, n) = \text{Prob}\{\mathbf{x}_n \leq x_n\}$$



$$p_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x_n, n) = \frac{\partial P_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x_n, n)}{\partial x_n}$$

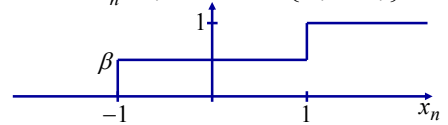


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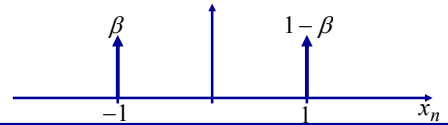
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## Bernoulli Distribution

$$P_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x_n, n) = \text{Prob}\{\mathbf{x}_n \leq x_n\}$$



$$p_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x_n, n) = \frac{\partial P_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x_n, n)}{\partial x_n}$$



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## Averages of Random Processes

- Mean (expected value) of a random process

$$m_{\mathbf{x}_n} = E\{\mathbf{x}_n\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x, n) dx$$

- Expected value of a function of a random process

$$E\{g(\mathbf{x}_n)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) p_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x, n) dx$$

- In general such averages will depend upon  $n$ . However, for a **stationary random process**, all the first-order averages are the same; e.g.,

$$m_{\mathbf{x}_n} = m_x \quad \text{for all } n$$

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## More Averages

- Mean-squared (average power)

$$E\{\mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^*\} = E\{|\mathbf{x}_n|^2\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 p_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x, n) dx$$

- Variance

$$\text{var}[\mathbf{x}_n] = E\{(\mathbf{x}_n - m_{\mathbf{x}_n})(\mathbf{x}_n - m_{\mathbf{x}_n})^*\} = \sigma_{\mathbf{x}_n}^2$$

$$\text{var}[\mathbf{x}_n] = E\{\mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_n^*\} - |m_{\mathbf{x}_n}|^2 = \sigma_{\mathbf{x}_n}^2$$

$$\text{var}[\mathbf{x}_n] = (\text{mean - square}) - (\text{mean})^2 = \sigma_{\mathbf{x}_n}^2$$

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## Joint Averages of Two R.V.s

- Expected value of a function of two random processes.

$$E\{g(\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_m)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) p_{\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_m}(x, n, y, m) dx dy$$

- Two random processes are **uncorrelated** if

$$E\{\mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{y}_m\} = E\{\mathbf{x}_n\} E\{\mathbf{y}_m\}$$

- Statistical independence implies

$$p_{\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_m}(x, n, y, m) = p_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x, n) p_{\mathbf{y}_m}(y, m)$$

- Independent random processes are also uncorrelated.

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## Correlation Functions

- Autocorrelation function

$$\phi_{xx}[n, m] = E\{\mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{x}_m^*\}$$

- Autocovariance function

$$\gamma_{xx}[n, m] = E\{(\mathbf{x}_n - m_{\mathbf{x}_n})(\mathbf{x}_m - m_{\mathbf{x}_m})^*\}$$

- Crosscorrelation function

$$\phi_{xy}[n, m] = E\{\mathbf{x}_n \mathbf{y}_m^*\}$$

- Crosscovariance function

$$\gamma_{xy}[n, m] = E\{(\mathbf{x}_n - m_{\mathbf{x}_n})(\mathbf{y}_m - m_{\mathbf{y}_m})^*\}$$

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## Stationary Random Processes

- The probability distributions do not change with time.

$$p_{\mathbf{x}_{n+k}}(x_n, n) = p_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x_n, n)$$

$$p_{\mathbf{x}_{n+k}, \mathbf{x}_{m+k}}(x_n, n, x_m, m) = p_{\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_m}(x_n, n, x_m, m)$$

- Thus, mean and variance are constant

$$m_x = E\{\mathbf{x}_n\}$$

$$\sigma_x^2 = E\{(\mathbf{x}_n - m_x)(\mathbf{x}_n - m_x)^*\}$$

- And the autocorrelation is a one-dimensional function of the time difference.

$$\phi_{xx}[n + m, n] = \phi_{xx}[m] = E\{\mathbf{x}_{n+m} \mathbf{x}_n^*\}$$

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## Time Averages

- Time-averages of a random process are random variables themselves.

$$\langle \mathbf{x}_n \rangle = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2L + 1} \sum_{n=-L}^L \mathbf{x}_n$$

$$\langle \mathbf{x}_{n+m} \mathbf{x}_n^* \rangle = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2L + 1} \sum_{n=-L}^L \mathbf{x}_{n+m} \mathbf{x}_n^*$$

- Time averages of a single sample function

$$\langle x[n] \rangle = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2L + 1} \sum_{n=-L}^L x[n]$$

$$\langle x[n + m] x^*[n] \rangle = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2L + 1} \sum_{n=-L}^L x[n + m] x^*[n]$$

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## Ergodic Random Processes

- Time-averages are equal to probability averages

$$\langle \mathbf{x}_n \rangle = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2L+1} \sum_{n=-L}^L \mathbf{x}_n = E\{\mathbf{x}_n\} = m_x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{x}_{n+m} \mathbf{x}_n^* \rangle &= \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2L+1} \sum_{n=-L}^L \mathbf{x}_{n+m} \mathbf{x}_n^* \\ &= E\{\mathbf{x}_{n+m} \mathbf{x}_n^*\} = \phi_{xx}[m] \end{aligned}$$

- Estimates from a single sample function

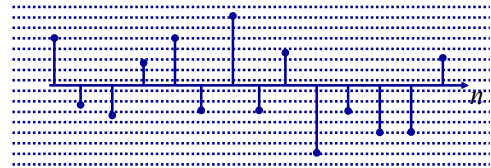
$$\hat{m}_x = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} x[n] \quad \hat{\phi}_{xx}[m] = \frac{1}{L-1} \sum_{n=0}^{L-1} x[n+m] x^*[n]$$

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## Histogram

- A histogram shows counts of samples that fall in certain "bins". If the boundaries of the bins are close together and we use a sample function with many samples, the histogram provides a good estimate of the probability density function of an (assumed) stationary random process.

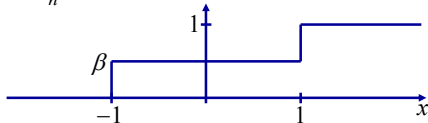


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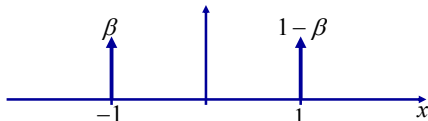
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## Bernoulli Distribution

$$P_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x, n) = \beta u(x+1) + (1-\beta)u(x-1)$$



$$p_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x, n) = \frac{\partial P_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x, n)}{\partial x} = \beta \delta(x+1) + (1-\beta) \delta(x-1)$$



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## Bernoulli Random Process

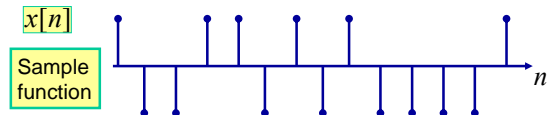
- Suppose that the signal takes on only two different values +1 or -1 with equal probability.

$$P_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x_n, n) = 0.5u(x_n+1) + 0.5u(x_n-1)$$

$$p_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x_n, n) = 0.5\delta(x_n+1) + 0.5\delta(x_n-1)$$

Furthermore, assume that the outcome at time n is independent of all other outcomes.

$$P_{\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{x}_m}(x_n, n, x_m, m) = P_{\mathbf{x}_n}(x_n, n) P_{\mathbf{x}_m}(x_m, m)$$



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## Bernoulli Process (cont.)

- Mean:  $m_x = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x[0.5\delta(x+1) + 0.5\delta(x-1)]dx$   

$$m_x = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 0.5x\delta(x+1)dx + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 0.5x\delta(x-1)dx$$

$$m_x = -0.5 + 0.5 = 0$$
- Variance:  $\sigma_x^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - m_x)^2 [0.5\delta(x+1) + 0.5\delta(x-1)]dx$   

$$\sigma_x^2 = 0.5 + 0.5 = 1$$
- Autocorrelation: ( $\{x_n\}$  are assumed independent)  

$$\phi_{xx}[m] = \sigma_x^2 \delta[m] = \delta[m]$$

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## MATLAB Bernoulli Simulation

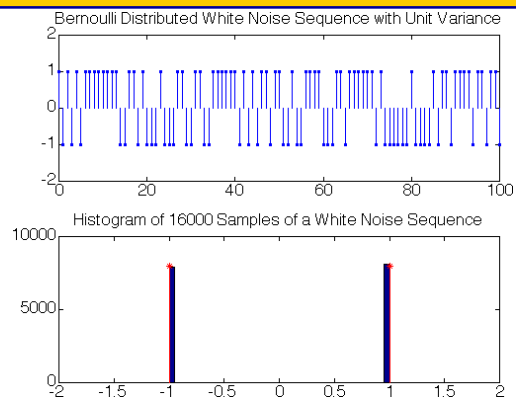
- MATLAB's `rand()` function is useful for such simulations.
 

```
>> d = rand(1,N); %uniform dist. Between 0 & 1
>> k = find(x>.5); %find +1s
>> x = -ones(1,N); %make vector of all -1s
>> x(k) = ones(1,length(k)); %insert +1s
>> subplot(211); han=stem(0:Nplt-1,x(1:Nplt));
>> set(han,'markersize',3);
>> subplot(212); hist(x,Nbins); hold on
>> stem([-1,1],N* [.5,.5], 'r*'); %add theoretical values
```

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## Bernoulli Random Process



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