

Probability, Random Variables and Random Processes

Probability Space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P)

$\Omega \rightarrow$ sample space
(set of all outcomes
of random experiment)

$\mathcal{F} \rightarrow$ Collection of subsets of Ω
(set of all events)

$P \rightarrow$ Probability measure
assigned to every
entry in \mathcal{F}

Valid Prob. measure satisfies 3 axioms

① $P(\Omega) = 1$

② For any $A \in \mathcal{F}$,

$$P(A) \geq 0$$

③ If $A \cap B = \emptyset$

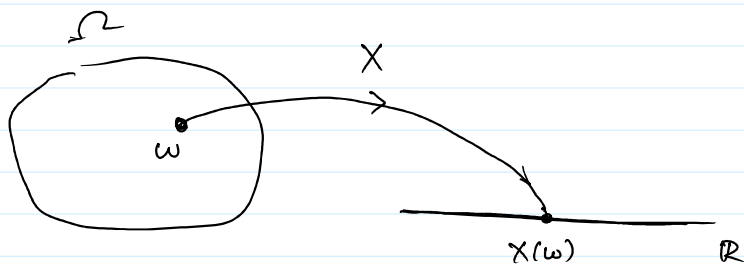
(A & B are disjoint events)

$$\text{then } P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$$

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Random Variable is a
mapping from sample space Ω

to a real line \mathbb{R}



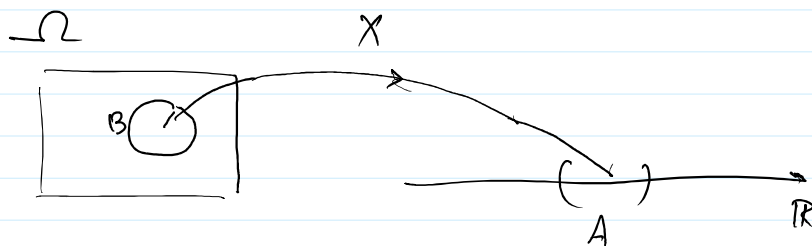
Random Variable defines/induces
a probability space in \mathbb{R}

$$(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{F}, P_x)$$

$\mathbb{R} \rightarrow$ set of all real numbers
($-\infty$ to ∞)

$\mathcal{F} \rightarrow$ collection of subsets of \mathbb{R}
(Borel sets)

$P_x \rightarrow$ Prob. measure on \mathcal{F}
induced by X



Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ & $A \in \mathcal{F}$
(Borel set)

Let \bar{B} be inverse image of A in Ω

$$B = \{ \omega : X(\omega) \in A \}$$

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Now $P_x(A) = P(B)$

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Probability induced by random variable X

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Prob. in original space

x ————— x

A random variable is characterized completely (statistically) by its cumulative distribution function (cdf)

cdf of X denoted by F_X is defined as

$$F_X(x) = P\{X \leq x\}$$

Probability of any event related to RV X can be obtained using the cdf.

Probability density function (pdf) of random variable X is

$$f_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_X(x)$$

(if the derivative exists)

Notes:

- $F_X(-\infty) = P(X \leq -\infty) = 1$
- $F_X(\infty) = P(X \leq \infty) = 0$
- $F_X(x)$ is non decreasing function
- $P(a < X \leq b) = F_X(b) - F_X(a)$
 $= \int_a^b f_X(x) dx$

x ————— x

Expectation

Mean Value of r.v. X

(denoted by μ_X)

or expected value of X

(denoted by $E(X)$)

is defined as

$$\mu_X = E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx$$

Mean Squared Value is

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f_X(x) dx$$

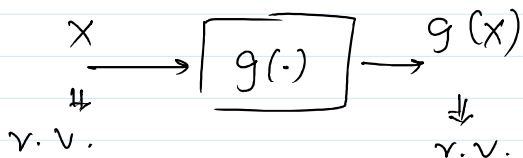
Variance of r.v. X is defined as

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - \mu_X^2$$

Standard deviation of X is

$$\sigma_X = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)}$$

Let $g(\cdot)$ be some function



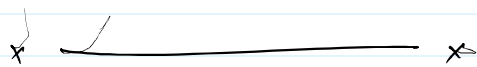
$$E(g(X)) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f_X(x) dx$$

Easy to verify that (a, b are constants)

$$\textcircled{1} E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b$$

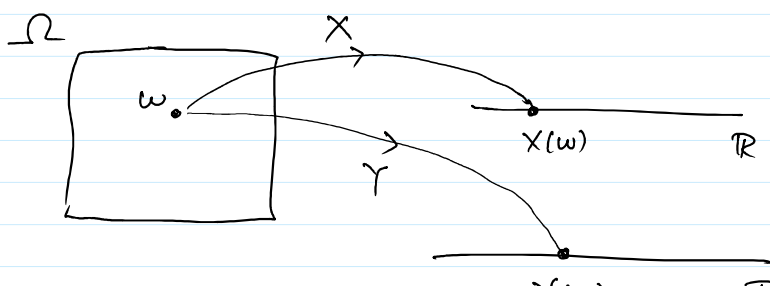
$$\textcircled{2} \text{Var}(X) = E\{(X - \mu_X)^2\}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \text{Var}(aX + b) = a^2 \text{Var}(X)$$



X and Y be two random variables

defined on a common probability space



$\gamma(\omega)$ \mathbb{R}

Two r.v. X and Y are completely characterized by joint cdf

$$F_{XY}(x, y) = P\{X \leq x, Y \leq y\}$$

" \wedge " denotes "AND"

Joint pdf is

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F_{XY}(x, y)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} P(a < X \leq b, c < Y \leq d) \\ &= \int_{x=a}^b \int_{y=c}^d f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy \end{aligned}$$

From joint cdf, we get marginal cdf as

$$\begin{aligned} F_X(x) &= P(X \leq x) \\ &= P(X \leq x, Y \leq \infty) \\ &= F_{XY}(x, \infty) \\ &= \int_{t=-\infty}^x \int_{y=-\infty}^{\infty} f_{XY}(t, y) dt dy \end{aligned}$$

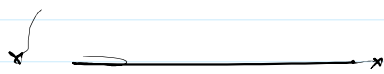
$$f_X(x) = \frac{d}{dx} (\quad)$$

$$f_x(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(\int_{-\infty}^x f_{xy}(x,y) dy \right)$$

$$f_x(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{xy}(x,y) dy$$

Similarly

$$f_y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{xy}(x,y) dx$$



Covariance of two random variables defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(X, Y) &= E\{(X - \mu_x)(Y - \mu_y)\} \\ &= E(XY) - \mu_x \mu_y \end{aligned}$$

Two random variables are called uncorrelated if their covariance is zero

$$\text{ie) } E(XY) = E(X)E(Y)$$

then X and Y are uncorrelated

($X \perp Y$)
Two random variables are called

independent if

$$F_{xy}(x, y) = F_x(x) F_y(y)$$

or equivalently

$$f_{XY}(x,y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$$

Theorem:

If X and Y are independent

then X and Y are uncorrelated

Proof:

$$E(XY) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xy f_{XY}(x,y) dx dy$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xy f_X(x) f_Y(y) dx dy$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x) dx \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_Y(y) dy$$

$$= E(X) E(Y)$$

x ————— x

uncorrelated does not imply independence

(except under one special case)

Example:

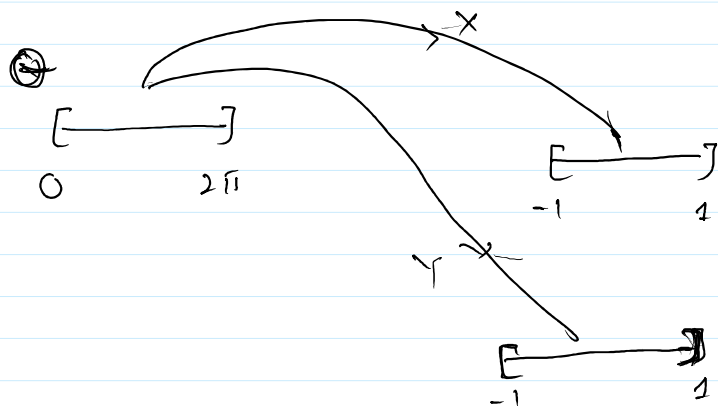
Let Θ be a r.v. uniformly

distributed in $[0, 2\pi]$

$$f_{\theta}(\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\pi} & \text{if } \theta \in [0, 2\pi) \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Let } X = \cos \theta$$

$$Y = \sin \theta$$



X and Y are clearly dependent

$$X^2 + Y^2 = 1$$

$$\text{Now, } E(X) = E(\cos \theta)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos \theta f_{\theta}(\theta) d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \cos \theta \frac{1}{2\pi} d\theta$$

$$= 0$$

Similarly $E(Y) = 0$

$$\text{Now, } E(XY) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos \theta \sin \theta f_{\theta}(\theta) d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \frac{1}{2\pi} d\theta$$

$$= 0$$

$$E(XY) = E(X) E(Y)$$

X and Y are uncorrelated

\underline{X} _____

$$\text{Random vector } \underline{X} = \begin{bmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ \vdots \\ X_p \end{bmatrix}_{p \times 1}$$

X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p are random variables

\underline{X} completely characterized by cdf

$$F_{\underline{X}}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) = P\{X_1 \leq x_1, \dots, X_p \leq x_p\}$$

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joint cdf of entries in \underline{X}

Similarly pdf of \underline{X} is $f_{\underline{X}}$

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is the joint pdf of its entries

$$\text{Mean vector } \underline{\mu}_x = \begin{bmatrix} E(x_1) \\ E(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ E(x_p) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_p \end{bmatrix}$$

$p \times 1$

Covariance Matrix

$$C_x = E\left\{(\underline{x} - \underline{\mu}_x)(\underline{x} - \underline{\mu}_x)^T\right\}$$

$p \times p$ matrix

$$C_x = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{12} & \dots & c_{1p} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ c_{p1} & c_{p2} & \dots & c_{pp} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c_{ij} = E\left\{(x_i - \mu_i)(x_j - \mu_j)\right\}$$

$$i=j \Rightarrow c_{ii} \rightarrow \text{Var}(x_i)$$

$$i \neq j \Rightarrow c_{ij} \rightarrow \text{Cov}(x_i, x_j)$$

Theorem

Let $A_{m \times p}$ constant matrix

\underline{b} $p \times 1$ constant vector

$$\text{Let } \underline{y} = A \underline{x} + \underline{b}$$

$(m \times 1)$

\underline{x} is random vector

with mean vector $\underline{\mu}_x$

& covariance matrix C_x

Then mean vector of $\underline{y} = E(\underline{y})$

$$\underline{\mu}_y = A \underline{\mu}_x + \underline{b}$$

$$= A E(\underline{x}) + \underline{b}$$

Covariance matrix of \underline{y}

$$C_y = E((\underline{y} - \underline{\mu}_y)(\underline{y} - \underline{\mu}_y)^T)$$

$$\begin{matrix} (m \times m) \\ \text{matrix} \end{matrix} = A C_x A^T$$

Proof:

y $n \times 1, h$

Proof:

$$\underline{Y} = A \underline{X} + \underline{b}$$

$$\underline{\mu}_Y = A \underline{\mu}_X + \underline{b}$$

$$\boxed{(CD)^T = D^T C^T}$$

$$(\underline{Y} - \underline{\mu}_Y) = A (\underline{X} - \underline{\mu}_X)$$

$$(\underline{Y} - \underline{\mu}_Y) (\underline{Y} - \underline{\mu}_Y)^T = A (\underline{X} - \underline{\mu}_X) (\underline{X} - \underline{\mu}_X)^T A^T$$

Taking Expectation

$$E \left(\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \end{matrix} \right) = E \left(\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \end{matrix} \right)$$

$$\text{(Since } A \text{ is constant)} = A E \left\{ (\underline{X} - \underline{\mu}_X) (\underline{X} - \underline{\mu}_X)^T \right\} A^T$$

$$= A C_X A^T$$

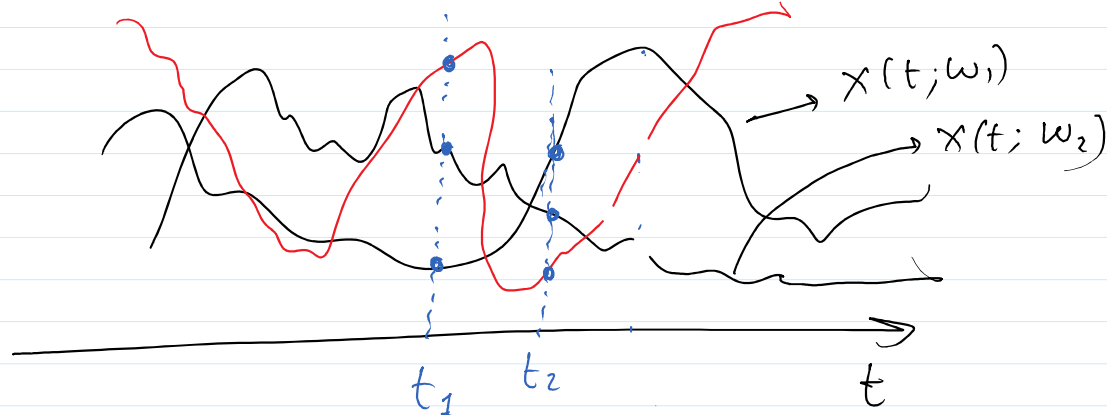
n ————— x

Random Process

Let $\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots$ be outcomes
of random experiment
 $\omega_i \in \Omega$ (Sample Space)

For each outcome ω_i , we

assign a waveform $x(t; \omega_3)$



The set of waveforms

$\{ x(t; \omega), \omega \in \Omega \}$ is

called a random process if

$x(t; \omega) \Big|_{t=t_i}$ waveforms sampled
at $t=t_i$

is a random variable for any t_i

We usually write $\{X(t)\}$ is
a random process without
explicitly denoting ω .

→ $\{X(t)\}$ is an infinite (uncountable)
collection of random variables.

→ R.P. $\{X(t)\}$ is completely specified
if joint cdf/pdf of all the
possible (finite number) of
samples of $\{X(t)\}$ is specified

ie) joint cdf of samples of RP
 $\{X(t_1), X(t_2), \dots, X(t_N)\}$

is specified for all possible

values of t_1, t_2, \dots, t_N

and all possible integers N

x ————— x

A R.P. $\{x(t)\}$ is called stationary

if statistics of $\{x(t)\}$ &

$\{x(t-d)\}$ are identical
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delay

for any value of delay d .

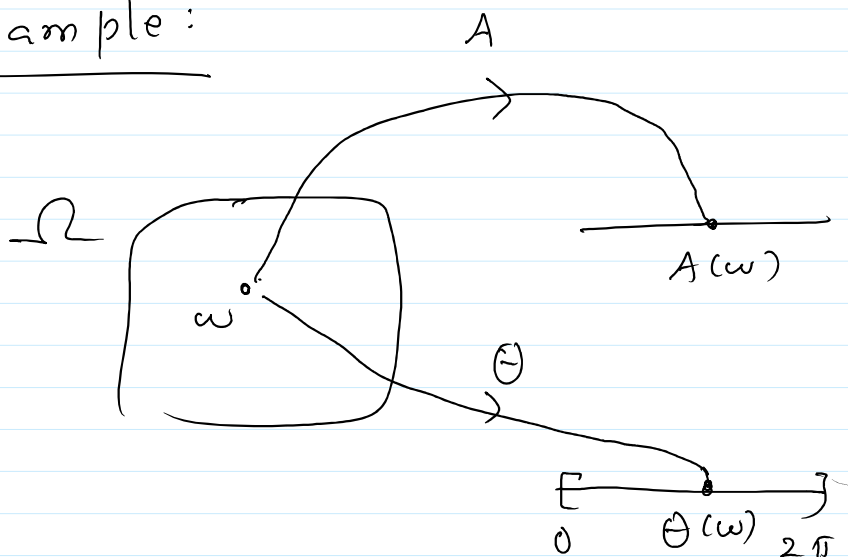
that is, joint cdf of

$\{x(t_1), x(t_2), \dots, x(t_N)\}$ is identical

to that of $\{x(t_1-d), \dots, x(t_N-d)\}$

for all possible t_i, N, d .

Example:



Let

$$X(t, \omega) = A(\omega) \cos(2\pi f_c t + \Theta(\omega))$$

A → random variable amplitude

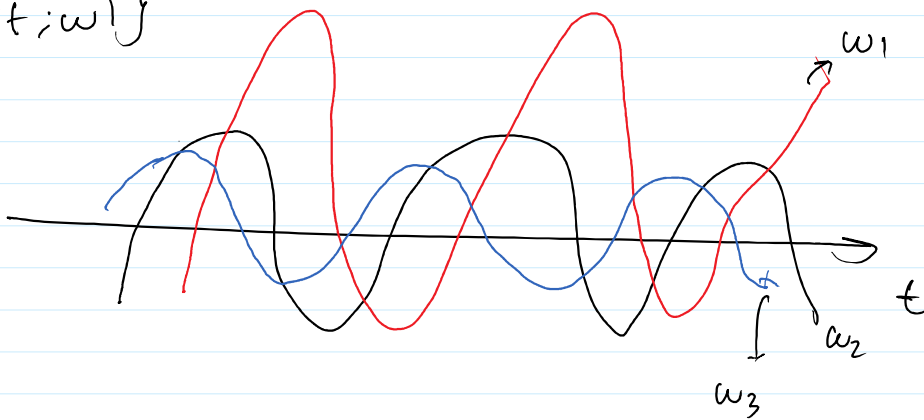
Θ → random variable phase

Let Θ be uniformly distributed

in interval $\left[\overset{\text{---}}{\underset{0}{\quad}} \overset{\quad}{\underset{2\pi}{\quad}} \right]$

$$f_{\Theta}(\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\pi} & , \quad 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi \\ 0 & , \quad \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$\{X(t; \omega)\}$



$$X(t-d) = A \cos(2\pi f_c(t-d) + \Theta)$$

$$= A \cos(2\pi f_c t + \tilde{\Theta})$$

$$\tilde{\Theta} = [\Theta - 2\pi fcd] \bmod 2\pi$$

Easy to verify that $\tilde{\Theta}$ is uniform

$$f_{\tilde{\Theta}}(a) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2\pi} & 0 \leq a \leq 2\pi \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$\{x(t)\}$ & $\{x(t-d)\}$ have same statistics.

$\{x(t)\}$ is stationary Random Process

x —————>

Definitions:

Mean function $\mu_x(t)$ of RP

$$\mu_x(t) = E(x(t)) \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

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as a function of time

Auto Correlation function (ACF)

$$R_x(t; t-\tau) = E\{x(t) x(t-\tau)\}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} -\infty < t < \infty \\ -\infty < \tau < \infty \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \tau \rightarrow \text{lag (delay)} \\ \text{Variable} \end{array}$$

A process is called wide sense stationary (WSS)

if

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \mu_x(t) = \mu \quad \text{for all } t$$

Mean function is a constant (dc) function

$$\textcircled{2} \quad R_x(t; t-\tau) \text{ depends only on } \tau \text{ and not on exact value of } t$$

For WSS, we denote ACF

$$\text{as } R_x(\tau) = E\{x(t) x(t-\tau)\}$$

Theorem:

A stationary process is
also WSS.

But WSS is not stationary
(with one exception)

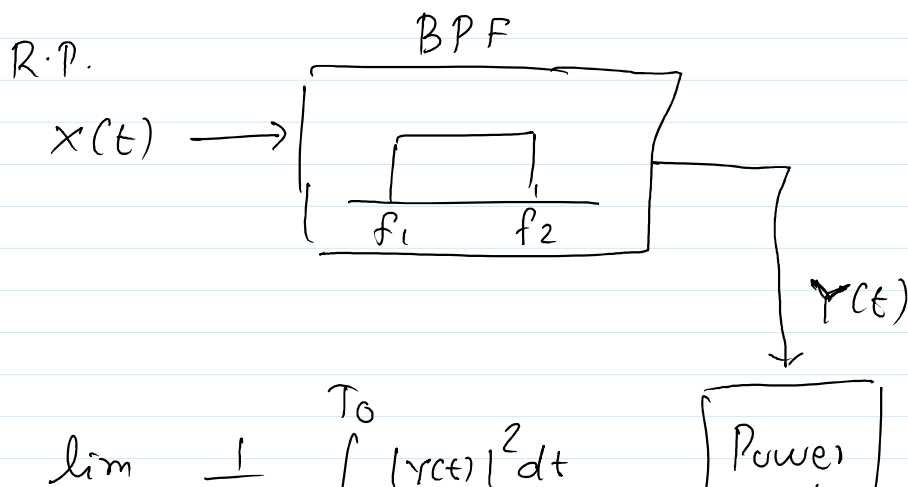
Power Spectral density

PSD of a r.p. $\{X(t)\}$

gives average power in each frequency

$S_x(f) \rightarrow$ PSD of $X(t)$

↓ unit watts / Hz



$$\lim_{T_0 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T_0} \int_{-T_0}^{T_0} |x(t)|^2 dt$$

Power Meter

$E(\cdot)$

(Average over all possible outcomes)

$$\int_{f_1}^{f_2} S_x(f) df$$

Wiener - Khinchine Theorem

For a WSS process with ACF $R_x(\tau)$

$$S_x(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_x(\tau) e^{-j2\pi f\tau} d\tau$$

PSD = Fourier Transform of ACF

