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EEE 503 – STOCHASTIC PROCESS

Time : 3 hours

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATE:

Please ensure that this examination paper contains **SEVEN (7)** printed pages and **SIX (6)** questions before answering.

Answer **FIVE (5)** questions.

Distribution of marks for each question is given accordingly.

All questions must be answered in English.

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1. With reference to Figure 1 the input signal is a Gaussian-Markov Process with power spectral density $S_s(s) = \frac{2\sigma^2\beta}{s^2 + \beta^2}$ and the corrupting noise is white noise with power spectral density $S_n(s) = A$. The optimum non-causal filter that minimizes the mean square error in the estimation of $s(t)$ is given by

$$G(s) = \frac{S_{s+n,s}(s)e^{\alpha s}}{S_{s+n}(s)}$$

The symbols have their usual meanings.

Determine the weighting function of the filter if the signal and noise are uncorrelated and $\sigma^2 = \beta = A = 1$. Justify any assumption made.

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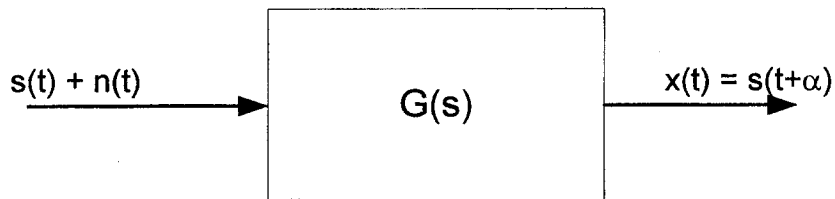


Figure 1

2. Figure 2 shows combination of two independent noisy measurements of the same signal $s(t)$. Using Wiener Filtering Theory determine $G_1(s)$ and $G_2(s)$ that minimize the mean square error in the estimation of $s(t)$ subject to the condition that the resulting structure does not introduce any delay or distortion in $s(t)$.

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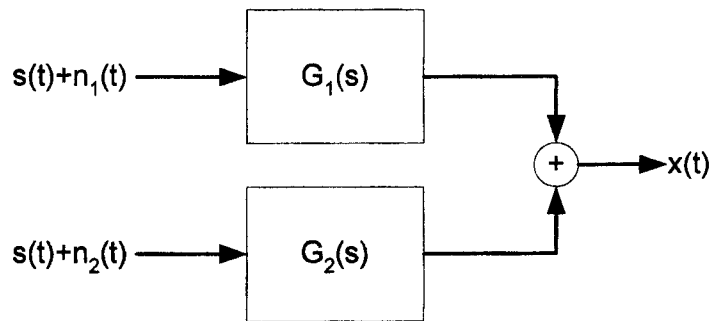


Figure 2

3. Discrete Kalman filter is described by the following recursive relations.

$$\hat{X}_k = \hat{X}_k^- + K_k (Z_k - H_k \hat{X}_k^-)$$

$$K_k = P_k^- H_k^T (H_k P_k^- H_k^T + R_k)^{-1}$$

$$P_k = (I - K_k H_k) P_k^-$$

$$\hat{X}_{k+1}^- = \Phi_k \hat{X}_k$$

$$P_{k+1}^- = \Phi_k P_k \Phi_k^T + Q_k$$

The symbols have their usual meanings.

Assume that we have a sequence of independent noisy measurements taken at unit intervals as shown in Figure 3. Let the standard deviation of the measurement error be 1/2. Using the discrete Kalman filter determine the optimal estimate of the process at the sampling instants $t=0$ and $t=1$. Clearly specify any assumption made.

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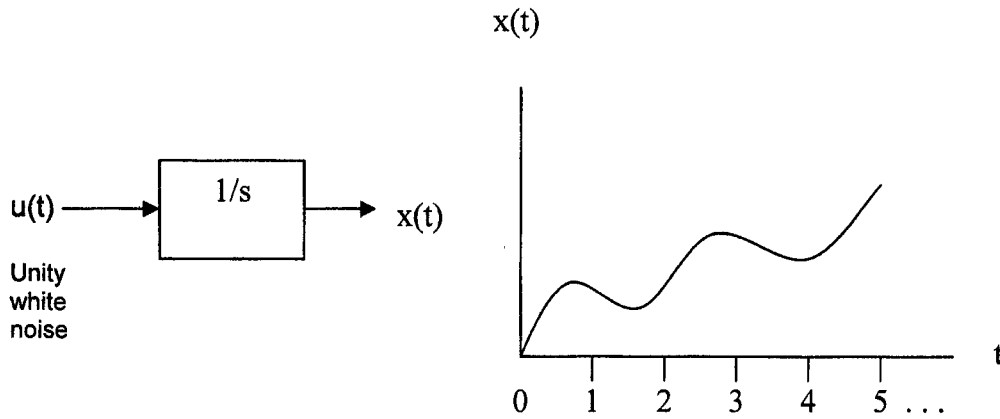


Figure 3

4. (a) Random variables X and Y have a joint PMF described by the following table 1:

Table 1

$P_{X,Y}(x,y)$	$y = -1$	$y = 0$	$y = 1$
$x = -1$	$3/16$	$1/16$	0
$X = 0$	$1/6$	$1/6$	$1/6$
$x = 1$	0	$1/8$	$1/8$

- (i) Are X and Y independent ?
- (ii) In fact, the experiment from which X and Y are derived is performed sequentially. First, X is found, then Y is found. In this context, please label the conditional branch probabilities of the following tree (Figure 4):

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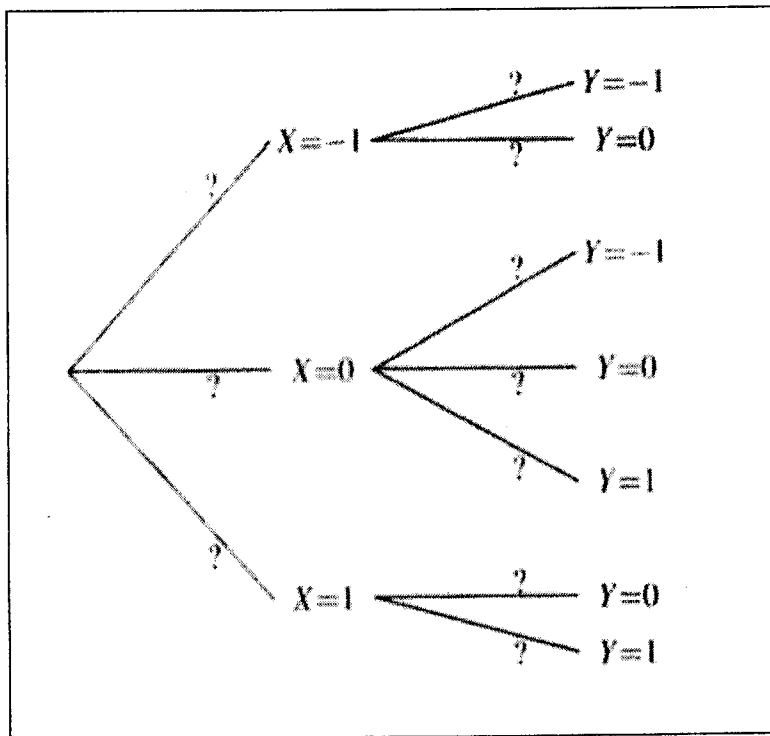


Figure 4

- (b) The voltage V at the output of a microphone is a uniform random variable with limits -1 volt and 1 volt. The microphone voltage is processed by a hard limiter with cut-off points -0.5 volt and 0.5 volt. The magnitude of the limiter output L is a random variable such that

$$L = \begin{cases} V & |V| \leq 0.5 \\ 0.5 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (i) What is $P[L = 0.5]$?
- (ii) What is $F_L(l)$?
- (iii) What is $E[L]$?

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5. (a) Let X denote the position of the pointer after a spin on a wheel of circumference 1. For that same spin, let Y denote the area within the arc defined by the stopping position of the pointer (see Figure 5):

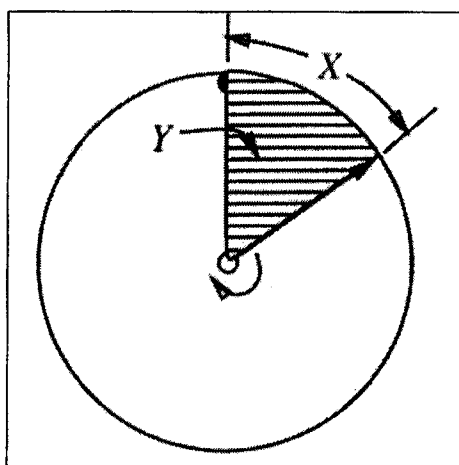


Figure 5

- (i) What is the relationship between X and Y ?
- (ii) What is $F_Y(y)$?
- (iii) What is $f_Y(y)$?
- (iv) What is $E[Y]$?

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- (b) The wide sense stationary process $X(t)$ with autocorrelation function $R_X(\tau)$ and power spectral density $S_X(f)$ is the input to a tapped delay line filter

$$H(f) = a_1 e^{-j2\pi f t_1} + a_2 e^{-j2\pi f t_2}$$

Find the output power spectral density $S_Y(f)$ and the output autocorrelation $R_Y(\tau)$.

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6. The input to a digital filter is a sequence of random variables $\dots, X_{-1}, X_0, X_1, \dots$. The output is also a sequence of random variables $\dots, W_{-1}, W_0, W_1, \dots$. The relationship between the input and output is

$$W_n = \frac{1}{2}(X_n + X_{n-1})$$

Let the input be a sequence of *iid* random variables with $E[X_i] = 0$ and $\text{Var}[X_i] = 1$. Find the following properties of the output sequence:

- (a) $E[W_i]$
- (b) $\text{Var}[W_i]$
- (c) $\text{Cov}[W_{i+b}, W_i]$
- (d) ρ_{W_{i+1}, W_i}

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