

Unit - IV

Random Processes and Markov chains

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Random Process:

A random process is a collection of random variables $\{X(s, t)\}$ that are functions of a real variable t where $s \in S$, S is the sample space and $t \in T$.

A Comparison between Random Variable and Random process:

Random Variable	Random Process
1. A function of the possible outcomes of an experiment. i.e., $X(s)$	A function of the possible outcomes of an experiment and also time i.e., $X(s, t)$
2. Outcome is mapped into a number 'x'	Outcomes are mapped into wave form which is a function of time 't'

Classification:

$X(t)$ \ t	Continuous	Discrete
Continuous	Continuous Random process	Continuous Random Sequence
Discrete	Discrete Random process	Discrete Random Sequence

Stationary Process:

A random process is said to be stationary if its mean and variance doesn't depend on time 't'.

$$\text{i.e., } E[x(t)] = \text{constant}$$

$$\& V[x(t)] = \text{constant}$$

Evolutionary Process:

A random process that is not stationary in any sense is called as evolutionary process.

First order Stationary Process:

A random process is called 1st order stationary if its first order density function doesn't depend on time 't'.

$$\text{i.e., } E[x(t)] = \text{constant}$$

Wide Sense Stationary process (WSS):

A random process is said to be WSS if it satisfies

$$\text{i). } E[x(t)] = \text{constant}$$

$$\text{ii). The Auto correlation } R_{xx}(\tau) = E[x(t)x(t+\tau)]$$

Joint wide Sense Stationary Process (JWSS)

Two processes $x(t)$ & $y(t)$ are said to be JWSS if $R_{xy}(\tau) = E[x(t)y(t+\tau)]$

Strict sense stationary process (or) Strongly Stationary Process (SSS)

A random process is said to be SSS, if all its statistical properties do not change with time.

Note :

Every SSS process of order 2 is a WSS process and not conversely.

7]. The process $x(t)$ whose probability under certain conditions is given by,

$$P[x(t)=n] = \begin{cases} \frac{(at)^{n-1}}{(1+at)^{n-1}}, & n=1, 2, \dots \\ \frac{at}{1+at}, & n=0 \end{cases}$$

Show that it is not stationary [Evolutionary]

Soln. :

The probability distribution of $\{x(t)\}$ is

$x(t)=n$	0	1	2	3	...
$P[x(t)=n]$	$\frac{at}{1+at}$	$\frac{1}{(1+at)^2}$	$\frac{at}{(1+at)^3}$	$\frac{(at)^2}{(1+at)^4}$	

Mean :

$$E[x(t)=n] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n P(n)$$

$$= 0 \left(\frac{at}{1+at} \right) + 1 \left(\frac{1}{(1+at)^2} \right) + 2 \left(\frac{at}{(1+at)^3} \right) + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1+at)^2} \left[1 + 2 \frac{at}{1+at} + 3 \left(\frac{at}{1+at} \right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1+at)^2} \left[1 + 2\alpha + 3\alpha^2 + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1+at)^2} [1 - \alpha]^{-2} \quad \text{where } \alpha = \frac{at}{1+at}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1+at)^2} \left[1 - \frac{at}{1+at} \right]^{-2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1+at)^2} \left[\frac{1+at-at}{1+at} \right]^{-2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1+at)^2} (1+at)^2$$

$$E[x(t)] = 1$$

$$\text{and } E[x^2(t) = n^2] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^2 P(n)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [n(n+1) - n] P(n)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n+1) P(n) - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n P(n)$$

$$= \left[0 + 1(2) \frac{at}{(1+at)^2} + 2(3) \frac{at}{(1+at)^3} + \right.$$

$$\left. 3(4) \frac{(at)^2}{(1+at)^4} + \dots \right] - 1$$

$$= \left[2 + 1(2) \frac{1}{(1+at)^2} + 2(3) \frac{at}{(1+at)^3} + 3(4) \frac{(at)^2}{(1+at)^4} + \dots \right] - 1$$

$$= \left[\frac{2}{(1+at)^2} + \frac{6at}{(1+at)^3} + \frac{12(at)^2}{(1+at)^4} + \dots \right] - 1$$

$$= \frac{2}{(1+at)^2} \left[1 + \frac{3at}{1+at} + 6 \frac{(at)^2}{(1+at)^2} + \dots \right] - 1$$

$$= \frac{2}{(1+at)^2} [1 + 3\alpha + 6\alpha^2 + \dots] - 1$$

$$\text{where } \alpha = \frac{at}{1+at}$$

$$= \frac{2}{(1+at)^2} [1-\alpha]^{-3} - 1$$

$$= \frac{2}{(1+at)^2} \left[1 - \frac{at}{1+at} \right]^{-3} - 1$$

$$= \frac{2}{(1+at)^2} \left[\frac{1+at-at}{1+at} \right]^{-3} - 1$$

$$= \frac{2}{(1+at)^2} (1+at)^3 - 1$$

$$= 2(1+at) - 1$$

$$= 2 + 2at - 1$$

$$E[x^2(t)] = 1 + 2at$$

$$\text{Var}[x(t)] = E[x^2(t)] - \{E[x(t)]\}^2$$

$$= 1 + 2at - 1$$

$$V[x(t)] = 2at \text{ is not a constant.}$$

\therefore The given function is not a Stationary Process.

Note:

$$E(a) = a ; V(a) = 0$$

Formula:

$$1). \cos(A+B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$$

$$2). \cos(A-B) = \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$$

$$3). \sin(A+B) = \sin A \cos B + \cos A \sin B$$

$$4). \sin(A-B) = \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$$

$$5). \cos A \cos B = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(A+B) + \cos(A-B)]$$

$$6). \sin A \sin B = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(A-B) - \cos(A+B)]$$

$$7). \cos A \sin B = \frac{1}{2} [\sin(A+B) - \sin(A-B)]$$

$$8). \sin A \cos B = \frac{1}{2} [\sin(A+B) + \sin(A-B)]$$

7. Show that the random process $x(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \theta)$ where A & ω are constant; θ is uniformly distributed in $(-\pi, \pi)$ is WSS.

Soln.

Given $x(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \theta)$

To prove: WSS.

i). $E[x(t)] = \text{constant}$

ii). $R_{xx}(\tau) = E[x(t)x(t+\tau)]$

Since θ is uniformly distributed in $(-\pi, \pi)$,

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{b-a}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi - (-\pi)}$$

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi}$$

i). $E[x(t)] = \int x(t) f(\theta) d\theta$

$$= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} A \cos(\omega t + \theta) \frac{1}{2\pi} d\theta$$

$$= \frac{A}{2\pi} \left[\sin(\omega t + \theta) \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{A}{2\pi} \left[\sin(\pi + \omega t) - \sin(-\pi + \omega t) \right]$$

$$= \frac{A}{2\pi} \left[-\sin \omega t + \sin \omega t \right] \quad \begin{aligned} \sin(180 + \theta) \\ = -\sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$E[x(t)] = 0$$

$$\sin(180 - \theta)$$

$$= \sin \theta$$

$$i). E[x(t)x(t+\tau)]$$

$$= E[A \cos(\omega t + \theta) A \cos(\omega(t+\tau) + \theta)]$$

$$= A^2 E[\cos(\omega t + \theta) \cos(\omega t + \omega\tau + \theta)]$$

$$= \frac{A^2}{2} E[\cos(\omega t + \theta + \omega t + \omega\tau + \theta) + \cos(\omega t + \theta - \omega t - \omega\tau - \theta)]$$

$$= \frac{A^2}{2} E[\cos(2\omega t + \omega\tau + 2\theta) + \cos(-\omega\tau)]$$

$$= \frac{A^2}{2} \{ E[\cos(2\omega t + \omega\tau + 2\theta)] + E[\cos(\omega\tau)] \}$$

$$= \frac{A^2}{2} \cos \omega\tau + \frac{A^2}{2} E[\cos(2\omega t + \omega\tau + 2\theta)]$$

↳ (1)

$$E[\cos(2\omega t + \omega\tau + 2\theta)]$$

$$= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(2\omega t + \omega\tau + 2\theta) \frac{1}{2\pi} d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{\sin(2\omega t + \omega\tau + 2\theta)}{2} \right]_{-\pi}^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} [\sin(2\pi + 2\omega t + \omega\tau) - \sin(-2\pi + 2\omega t + \omega\tau)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} [\sin(2\pi + 2\omega t + \omega\tau) + \sin(2\pi - (2\omega t + \omega\tau))]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} [\sin(2\omega t + \omega\tau) - \sin(2\omega t + \omega\tau)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} (0)$$

$$\because \sin(360 + \theta) = \sin \theta$$

$$\sin(360 - \theta) = -\sin \theta$$

$$= 0$$

$$(1) \Rightarrow E[x(t)x(t+\tau)] = \frac{A^2}{2} \cos \omega\tau + 0 = \frac{A^2}{2} \cos \omega\tau$$

$$= R_{xx}(\tau) \text{ which depends on } \tau$$

$\therefore x(t)$ is WSS.

Q. Show that the process $x(t) = A \cos \lambda t + B \sin \lambda t$ is WSS, where A & B are random variables, if

i). $E[A] = E[B] = 0$

ii). $E[A^2] = E[B^2] = K$

iii). $E[AB] = 0$

Soln.

Given. $x(t) = A \cos \lambda t + B \sin \lambda t$

i). $E[x(t)] = E[A \cos \lambda t + B \sin \lambda t]$
 $= \cos \lambda t E[A] + \sin \lambda t E[B]$
 $= \cos \lambda t (0) + \sin \lambda t (0) \quad [\because E(A) = E(B) = 0]$
 $= 0$

ii). $E[x(t)x(t+\tau)] = E[(A \cos \lambda t + B \sin \lambda t)(A \cos \lambda(t+\tau) + B \sin \lambda(t+\tau))]$
 $= E[(A \cos \lambda t + B \sin \lambda t)(A \cos(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) + B \sin(\lambda t + \lambda \tau))]$
 $= E[A^2 \cos \lambda t \cos(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) + AB \cos \lambda t \sin(\lambda t + \lambda \tau)$
 $+ BA \sin \lambda t \cos(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) + B^2 \sin \lambda t \sin(\lambda t + \lambda \tau)]$
 $= E[A^2 \cos \lambda t \cos(\lambda t + \lambda \tau)] + E[AB \cos \lambda t \sin(\lambda t + \lambda \tau)]$
 $+ E[BA \sin \lambda t \cos(\lambda t + \lambda \tau)] + E[B^2 \sin \lambda t \sin(\lambda t + \lambda \tau)]$
 $= \cos \lambda t \cos(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) E(A^2) + \cos \lambda t \sin(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) E(AB)$
 $+ \sin \lambda t \cos(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) E(BA) + \sin \lambda t \sin(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) E(B^2)$
 $= \cos \lambda t \cos(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) K + \cos \lambda t \sin(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) (0)$
 $+ \sin \lambda t \cos(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) (0) + \sin \lambda t \sin(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) (K)$
 $[\because E(A^2) = E(B^2) = K \text{ (say)}]$
 $= K [\cos \lambda t \cos(\lambda t + \lambda \tau) + \sin \lambda t \sin(\lambda t + \lambda \tau)]$
 $= K [\cos(\lambda t - (\lambda t + \lambda \tau))] \quad \because \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$
 $= \cos(A - B)$
 $= K [\cos(-\lambda \tau)]$
 $= K \cos(\lambda \tau) \text{ which depends on } \tau$
 $= R_{xx}(\tau) \quad \therefore x(t) \text{ is WSS.}$

3]. Given a random variable Y with characteristic function $\phi(\omega) = E[e^{i\omega Y}]$ and a random process is defined by $x(t) = \cos(\lambda t + Y)$. Show that $\{x(t)\}$ is stationary in the wide sense if $\phi(1) = \phi(2) = 0$

Soln.:

Given $\phi(\omega) = E[e^{i\omega Y}]$ and $x(t) = \cos(\lambda t + Y)$
 Since $\phi(1) = 0$

$$\phi(1) = E[e^{iY}] = E[\cos Y + i \sin Y] = 0$$

$$E[\cos Y] + i E[\sin Y] = 0 + i0$$

Equating the real & imaginary parts,

$$E[\cos Y] = 0 \text{ and } E[\sin Y] = 0 \rightarrow (1)$$

and $\phi(2) = 0$

$$\phi(2) = E[e^{i2Y}] = E[\cos 2Y + i \sin 2Y] = 0$$

$$E[\cos 2Y] + i E[\sin 2Y] = 0 + i0$$

Equating the real & imaginary parts,

$$E[\cos 2Y] = 0 \text{ and } E[\sin 2Y] = 0 \rightarrow (2)$$

Now, $x(t) = \cos(\lambda t + Y)$

$$i). E[x(t)] = E[\cos(\lambda t + Y)]$$

$$= E[\cos \lambda t \cos Y - \sin \lambda t \sin Y]$$

$$= E[\cos \lambda t \cos Y] - E[\sin \lambda t \sin Y]$$

$$= \cos \lambda t E[\cos Y] - \sin \lambda t E[\sin Y]$$

$$= \cos \lambda t (0) - \sin \lambda t (0) \text{ from (1)}$$

$$E[x(t)] = 0$$

$$ii). E[x(t)x(t+\tau)] = E[\cos(\lambda t + Y) \cos(\lambda(t+\tau) + Y)]$$

$$= E[\cos(\lambda t + Y) \cos(\lambda t + \lambda \tau + Y)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} E[\cos(\lambda t + Y + \lambda t + \lambda \tau + Y) + \cos(\lambda t + Y - \lambda t - \lambda \tau - Y)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} E[\cos(2\lambda t + \lambda\tau + 2y) + \cos(-\lambda\tau)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ E[\cos(\underbrace{2\lambda t + \lambda\tau}_A + \underbrace{2y}_B)] + E[\cos(\lambda\tau)] \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ E[\cos(2\lambda t + \lambda\tau) \cos 2y - \sin(2\lambda t + \lambda\tau) \sin 2y + \cos \lambda\tau] \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ E[\cos(2\lambda t + \lambda\tau) \cos 2y] - E[\sin(2\lambda t + \lambda\tau) \sin 2y] + \cos \lambda\tau \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \cos(2\lambda t + \lambda\tau) E[\cos 2y] - \sin(2\lambda t + \lambda\tau) E[\sin 2y] + \cos \lambda\tau \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ 0 + 0 + \cos \lambda\tau \right\}$$

$$= \frac{\cos \lambda\tau}{2} \text{ which depends on } \tau.$$

$$= R_{xx}(\tau)$$

$\therefore x(t)$ is WSS.