# System Identification

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#### SET 4

- -Input Design
- -Persistence of Excitation
- -Pseudo-random Sequences

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### Input Signals

- Commonly used signals
  - Step function
  - Pseudorandom binary sequence (PRBS)
  - Autoregressive, moving average process
  - Periodic signals: sum of sinusoids
- Notion of "sufficient excitation". Conditions!
- Degeneracy of input design.
- Relations between PBRS & white noise.
- Frequency domain properties of such signals.

### **Examples**

Step input

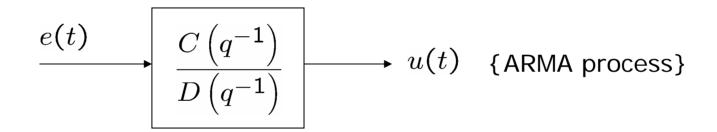
$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & t \ge 0 \\ 0 & \text{other} \end{cases}$$

- A Pseudorandom binary sequence
  - periodic signal
  - switches between two levels in a certain fashion
  - levels =  $\pm \Box$ a period = M

Autoregressive moving average

e(t) is a random sequence

$$\frac{1}{N}\sum e(t)e(t-\tau)\to 0 \quad N\to\infty \quad \tau\neq 0$$



• 
$$u(t) = \sum_{u=1}^{m} a_j \sin(\omega_j t + \phi_j)$$

$$0 \le \omega_1 < \omega_2 \quad \dots \quad < \omega_m \le \pi$$

## **Spectral Properties**

#### • PRBS

$$x(k+1) = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & \dots & a_n \\ 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ 0 & \dots & 10 \end{pmatrix} x(k)$$

$$y(k) = (0 \dots 1)x(k)$$

[takes on 0,1]

all calculations are mod 2.

$$a_1, \ldots, a_n$$
 are either 0 or 1

#### Covariance function

$$R_u(\tau) = \begin{cases} a^2 & \tau = 0, \pm M, \pm 2M, \dots \\ -\frac{a^2}{M} & \tau = \text{other} \end{cases}$$

$$\Phi_u(\omega) = \sum_{\tau = -\infty}^{\infty} R_u(\tau) e^{-i\omega\tau}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} C_k \delta \left( \omega - \frac{2\pi k}{M} \right)$$

and evaluating  $\,C_k\,$  ,

$$\Phi_u(\omega) = 2\pi \frac{a^2}{M^2} \left[ \delta(\omega) + (M+1) \sum_{k=1}^{M-1} \delta\left(\omega - \frac{2\pi k}{M}\right) \right]$$

ARMA

$$\Phi_{u}(\omega) = \lambda^{2} \frac{\left| C\left(e^{i\omega}\right) \right|^{2}}{\left| D\left(e^{i\omega}\right) \right|^{2}}$$

#### Sum of sinusoids

$$R_u(\tau) = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{a_j^2}{2} \cos(\omega_j \tau)$$

$$\Phi_u(\omega) = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{a_j^2}{4} [\delta(\omega - \omega_j) + \delta(\omega + \omega_j)]$$

### PRBS vs. WN

Given any smooth function

$$I_1 = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\omega) \Phi_u(\omega) = \left(\frac{a^2}{M^2} f(0) + \frac{a^2(M+1)}{M^2} \sum_{k=1}^{M-1} f\left(\frac{2\pi}{M}k\right)\right) \cdot 2\pi$$

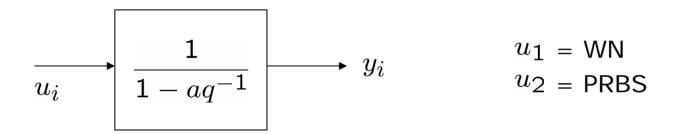
$$I_2 = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\omega) \lambda^2 d\omega = \lambda^2 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\omega) d\omega$$

• Approximate the integral  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\omega) d\omega$  by Riemann sum.

$$\Rightarrow I_1 \simeq I_2$$

• The spectrum of PRBS approximate WN as distributions.

#### • Homework:



Compare  $R_{y_1}, R_{y_2}$ .

### **Persistent Excitation**

#### **Definition**:

A quasi-stationary input, u, is persistently exciting of order n if the matrix

$$ar{R}_n = \left[ egin{array}{ccc} R_u(0) & \dots & R_u(n-1) \\ R_u(n-1) & \dots & R_u(0) \end{array} 
ight]$$

is positive definite.

• Recall: The correlation method in the time-domain required the inversion of  $\bar{R}_M$  to estimate M-parameters of the impulse response.

## Relation to the Spectrum

#### Theorem:

Let u be a quasi-stationary input of dimension nu, with spectrum  $\Phi_u(\omega)$ . Assume that  $\Phi_u(\omega) > 0$  for at least n distinct frequencies. Then u is p.e. of order n.

#### Proof:

Let 
$$g^T = (\underbrace{g_1, \dots, g_n}_{nu})$$
 be a  $n$   $xnu$  row vector such

that 
$$g^T R_n g = 0$$
. Define  $G(q^{-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n g_i q^{-i}$ .

Then,

$$0 = g^{T} R_{n} g = E \left[ \left( G \left( q^{-1} \right) u \right) \left( G \left( q^{-1} \right) u \right)^{T} \right]$$
$$= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} G \left( e^{i\omega} \right) \Phi_{u}(\omega) G^{T} \left( e^{-i\omega} \right) dw$$
$$> 0$$

$$\Rightarrow G\left(e^{i\omega}\right)\Phi_u(\omega)G^T\left(e^{-i\omega}\right) = 0$$
. But  $\Phi_u(\omega) > 0$  at  $n$  distinct

frequencies  $\Rightarrow G(e^{i\omega}) = 0$  at these frequencies = g = 0.

### Theorem (Scalar):

If u is p.e of order  $n \Rightarrow \Phi_u\left(e^{i\omega}\right) \neq 0$  for at least n-points.

#### Proof:

Suppose  $\Phi_u(\omega) \neq 0$  for at most (n-1) points.

Let g be any vector with  $G(q^{-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} g_i q^{-i}$ .

$$g^{T}R_{n}g = 0 \Leftrightarrow \left|G\left(e^{i\omega}\right)\right|\Phi(\omega) = 0$$

Pick a vector  $g = \exists$ 

 $\left|G\left(e^{i\omega}\right)\right|=0$  at the (n-1) points where  $\Phi(\omega)\neq 0$   $\left|G\left(e^{i\omega*}\right)\right|\neq 0$  at some other frequency.

then  $g \neq 0$  &  $g^T R_n g = 0$   $\Rightarrow \Leftarrow$ 

## **Examples**

- Step input: persistently exciting of order 1
- PRBS: n < M.

$$R_u(\tau) = \begin{cases} a^2 & \tau = 0, \pm M, \pm 2M, \dots \\ -\frac{a^2}{M} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$R_n = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & \frac{-a^2}{M} & \dots & \frac{-a^2}{M} \\ \frac{-a^2}{M} & a^2 & \dots & \frac{-a^2}{M} \\ & & \ddots & \\ \frac{-a^2}{M} & & \dots & -a^2 \end{pmatrix}$$
 det  $R_n \neq 0$ . (Verify!)

$$R_{M+1} = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & \frac{-a^2}{M} & \dots & \frac{-a^2}{M} & a^2 \\ \frac{-a^2}{M} & a^2 & \dots & \frac{-a^2}{M} \\ & & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ a^2 & \frac{-a^2}{M} & \dots & \frac{-a^2}{M} & a^2 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{singular} \\ \text{1st and last row} \\ \text{are the same.} \\ \end{array}$$

PRBS is p.e. of order M.

ARMA Process is p.e. of any order.

#### Sum of sinusoids

$$u(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} a_j \cos(\omega_j t + \phi_j)$$
$$0 \le \omega_1 < \omega_2 \quad \dots \quad < \omega_n \le \pi$$

$$\Phi_u = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{a_j}{2} [\delta(\omega - \omega_j) + \delta(\omega + \omega_j)]$$

 $\Phi_u$  is non-zero at exactly n-points, where

$$n = \begin{cases} 2m & 0 < \omega_1, \omega_n < \pi \\ 2m - 1 & 0 < \omega_1 \text{ xor } \omega_n = \pi \\ 2m - 2 & 0 = \omega_1 \& \omega_n = \pi \end{cases}$$

#### **Theorem**:

$$u(t)$$
 is quasi-stationary. Define  $z(t)=\sum_{i=1}^n H_i u(t-i)$   
Then  $\bar{E}z(t)z(t)^T=0 \Rightarrow H_i=0 \quad i=1,\ldots,n$  iff

u(t) is persistently exciting of order n.

#### Proof:

Define 
$$\bar{H} = (H_1, \dots, H_n)^T$$

$$\phi(t) = \left(u^T(t-1), \dots, u^T(t-n)\right)^T$$

$$z(t) = H^T \phi(t)$$

$$z(t)z(t)^T = H^T \phi(t)\phi^T(t)H$$

$$\bar{E}\left(z(t)z(t)^T\right) = H^T \bar{E}\left(\phi(t)\phi^T(t)\right)H = H^T R_n H$$
equivalence established.

## Spectrum of Filtered Signals



$$\Phi_{y}\left(e^{i\omega}\right) = H\left(e^{i\omega}\right)\Phi_{u}\left(e^{i\omega}\right)H^{*}\left(e^{i\omega}\right)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{SISO}}{=} \Phi_{u}\left(e^{i\omega}\right)\left|H\left(e^{i\omega}\right)\right|^{2}$$

If 
$$u = WN$$
 signal  $\phi_u = \lambda^2 I$ 

$$\Phi_y \left( e^{i\omega} \right) = \lambda^2 H H^* \left( e^{i\omega} \right)$$

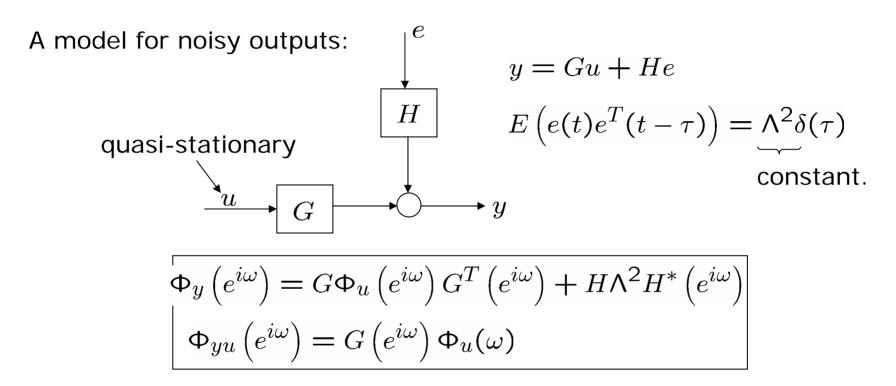
$$\stackrel{\text{SISO}}{=} \lambda^2 \left| H \left( e^{i\omega} \right) \right|^2$$

#### Generation of a process with a given Covariance:

given  $R_x(\tau)$ , then x is the output of a filter with a WN signal as an input. The Filter is the spectral factor of  $\Phi_{x}\left(e^{i\omega}\right)$  ;

$$\Phi_x\left(e^{i\omega}\right) = H\underline{\left(e^{i\omega}\right)} \cdot H^*\left(e^{i\omega}\right)$$
 stable minimum phase.

## Important relations



- Very Important relations in system ID.
- Correlation methods are central in identifying an unknown plant.
- Proofs: Messy; Straight forward.

## **Ergodicity**

• x(t) is a stochastic process



• Sample mean  $= \bar{E}\tilde{x}(t) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} \tilde{x}(t)$ 

• Sample Covariance 
$$= \bar{E}\tilde{x}(t)\tilde{x}(t-\tau) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} \tilde{x}(t)\tilde{x}(t-\tau)$$

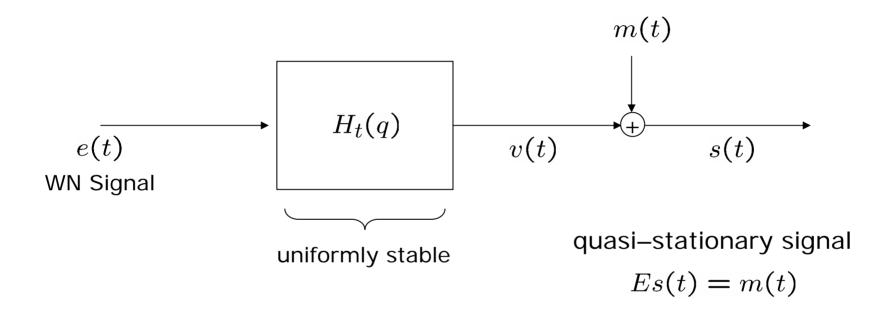
A process is 2<sup>nd</sup>-order ergodic if

mean  $\triangleq Ex(t)$  = the sample mean of any realization.

covariance 
$$\stackrel{\triangle}{=} Ex(t)x(t-\tau) =$$
 the sample covariance of any realization.

• Sample averages  $\simeq$  Ensemble averages

### A general ergodic process



$$\bar{E}s(t)s(t-\tau) = R_s(\tau)$$
 w.p.1

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} [s(t)m(t-\tau) - Es(t)m(t-\tau)] \to 0$$
 w.p.1

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^{N} [s(t)v(t-\tau) - Es(t)v(t-\tau)] \to 0$$
 w.p.1

### Remark:

Most of our computations will depend on a given realization of a quasi-stationary process. Ergodicity will allow us to make statements about repeated experiments.