

ERGODIC processes are stationary processes for which a time average from a single realisation can replace an ensemble average.

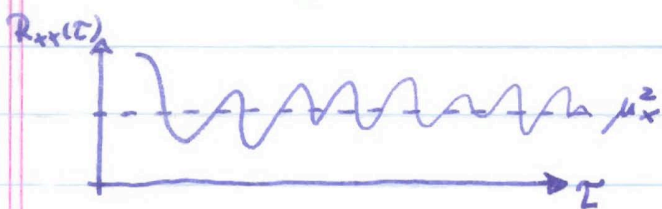
$$\text{Mean } \mu_x(t_1) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i(t_1) = \mu_x = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) dt$$

Auto-correlation $R_{xx}(t_1, \tau) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i(t_1) x_i(t_1 + \tau) = R_{xx}(\tau) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) x(t + \tau) dt$

emphatic the way assumption! stationarity ergodicity

A sufficient but not necessary condition for ergodicity is

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T}^T |R_{xx}(\tau) - \mu_x^2| d\tau = 0$$



proof elsewhere
Yaglom (1987)

Because of all these assumptions it is always good practice to write/talk about "estimates" of properties of a physical/biological system. An "estimate", however, implies both

- probability of occurrence of an event
- uncertainty of the "estimate"; relate to probability

tests for stationarity?

Recap where I was:

Definition

Ensemble

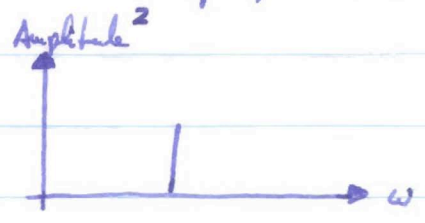
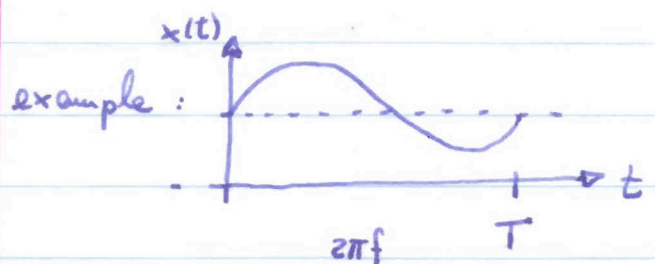
{ Stationarity } random processes
{ Ergodicity }

Also, so far everything has been written down for continuous, infinite long records, however, all measurements are both discontinuous and of finite length → possible biases and errors
→ statistical estimates, never exact values

Will return later ← RANDOM (STOCHASTIC) PROCESSES

2. DETERMINISTIC PROCESSES

(a) periodic, i.e., $x(t) = x(t+T)$ of period T



$$x(t) = x_0 \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$= x_{01} \cos \omega t + x_{02} \sin \omega t$$

(3) complex periodic $x(t) = x(t + nT)$ $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

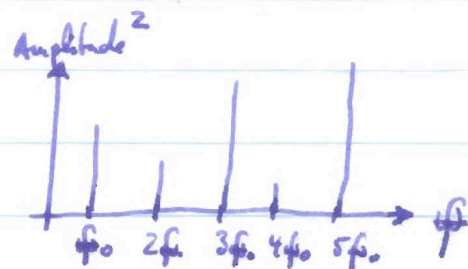
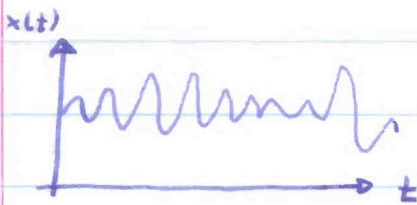
such data can always be written as a Fourier Series

$$x(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos(n \cdot 2\pi f_0 t) + b_n \sin(n \cdot 2\pi f_0 t)$$

where $f_0 = \frac{1}{T}$

$$a_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T x(t) \cos(n \cdot 2\pi f_0 t) dt \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T x(t) \sin(n \cdot 2\pi f_0 t) dt \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$



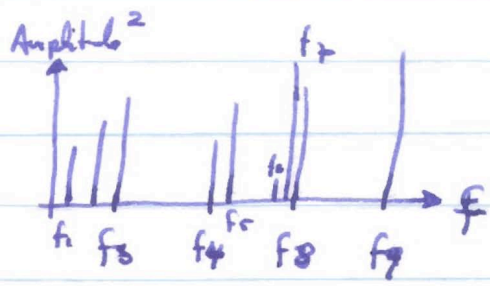
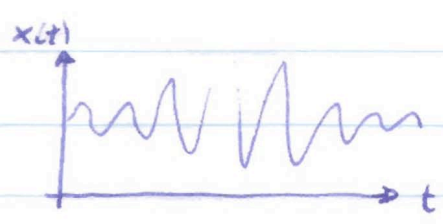
$$\Delta f = f_0 = \frac{1}{T}$$

(c) almost periodic (~~but~~ nonperiodic)

f_i are not rational numbers
 $\rightarrow T \rightarrow \infty$

$$x(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} x_i \cos(2\pi f_i t)$$

discrete set of
 incommensurable periods

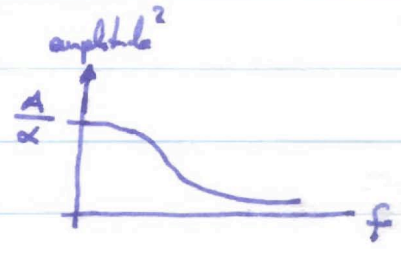
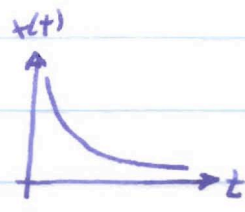


DISCRETE SPECTRA

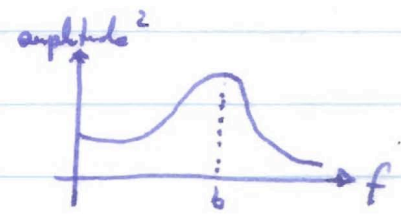
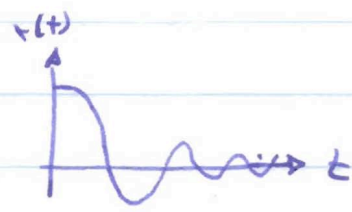
Tides are of this form!

(d) transient data

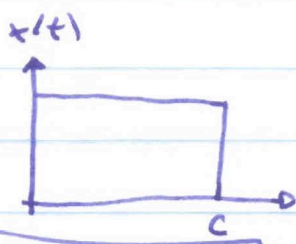
$$x(t) = \begin{cases} A e^{-\alpha t} & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$



$$x(t) = \begin{cases} A e^{-\alpha t} \cos \beta t & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$



$$x(t) = \begin{cases} A & 0 \leq t \leq c \\ 0 & c < t < \infty \end{cases}$$



CONTINUOUS SPECTRA

→ Fourier Transforms
 ⇒ applications?

and class #2/99

Fourier Transform

In 1807 Joseph Fourier announced that ANY periodic function $x(t) = x(t+T)$ could be represented by the form

$$x(t) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \cos\left(i \frac{2\pi}{T} t\right) + b_i \sin\left(i \frac{2\pi}{T} t\right)$$

$$= a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_i \cos(\dots) + b_i \sin(\dots)$$

APPLIES EVEN TO DISCONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS!

orthogonal set of base functions to span a function space

$$\langle \sin(nt) \cdot \sin(mt) \rangle = \delta_{nm}$$

$$\langle \cos(nt) \cdot \cos(mt) \rangle = \delta_{nm}$$

$$\langle \cos(nt) \cdot \sin(mt) \rangle = 0$$

$\langle \cdot \rangle \equiv \int \dots dt$

Louis Lagrange doubted this theorem

Riemann and Dirichlet found that some mild restrictions are needed

$$\int_{-T/2}^{+T/2} \cos\left(m \frac{2\pi}{T} t\right) \cdot \cos\left(n \frac{2\pi}{T} t\right) dt = \begin{cases} 0 & n \neq m \\ T/2 & m = n \geq 1 \\ T & m = n = 0 \rightarrow a_0 \end{cases}$$

$$\int_{-T/2}^{+T/2} \sin\left(m \frac{2\pi}{T} t\right) \cdot \sin\left(n \frac{2\pi}{T} t\right) dt = \begin{cases} 0 & m \neq n \\ T/2 & m = n \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\int_{-T/2}^{T/2} \sin\left(m \frac{2\pi}{T} t\right) \cdot \cos\left(n \frac{2\pi}{T} t\right) dt = 0$$

$$\int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) \sin\left(n \frac{2\pi}{T} t\right) dt = b_n \cdot \frac{T}{2}$$

$x(t)$

$$\int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) dt = \cancel{2a_0 T} \quad ; \quad \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x(t) \cos\left(m \frac{2\pi}{T} t\right) dt = a_m \cdot \frac{T}{2}$$