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### EE501: An Introduction to the Theory of Statistical Communications

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#### Third Quiz

- REMARKS:
1. Hand held calculator is allowed,
  2. Open book quiz, but problem solutions are not allowed,
  3. A table of the  $Q(\ )$  and  $\text{erf}(\ )$  functions is attached,
  4. Marks distribution:  
    Question #1: 3 points  
    Question #2: 7 points
  5. Justify all your answers.

# 1	
# 2	

1. Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1000}$  denote 1000 statistically independent identically distributed random variables with mean and variance respectively denoted by  $\bar{x}, \sigma_x^2$ .  $x_i$  takes the values -1, 0, 1 with probabilities:

$$\begin{aligned}P(x_i = -1) &= 1/2, \\P(x_i = 0) &= 1/4, \\P(x_i = 1) &= 1/4,\end{aligned}$$

for every  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 1000$ . The sample mean  $m$  of  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{1000}$  is defined by:

$$m = \frac{1}{1000} \sum_{i=1}^{1000} x_i$$

- (a) Using the Weak Law of Large Numbers, estimate the range within which  $m$  lies with a probability of at least 95%. In other words, use the Weak Law of Large Numbers to find  $a, b$  such that  $P(a < m < b) \geq 0.95$ .

**Remark:** You can also do this with Chebyshev's inequality and find the same answer.

- (b) Using the expression:

$$P(|m - \bar{x}| \geq \epsilon) \approx 2Q\left(\frac{\epsilon\sqrt{N}}{\sigma_x}\right)$$

obtained from the Central Limit Theorem, estimate the range within which  $m$  lies with a probability of approximately 95%.

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2. Consider the random process defined by  $x(t) = 10 \sin(2\pi ft)$  where  $f$  is a random variable uniformly distributed between 0 Hz and 100 Hz. This is very similar to the random process of equations 3.24(a) and 3.24(b) on page 143 in Wozencraft & Jacobs. The process is not stationary.

- (a) Calculate the mean function  $m_x(t)$  and the autocorrelation function  $\mathcal{R}_x(t_1, t_2)$  of  $x(t)$  and show that:

$$m_x(t) = \frac{1 - \cos(200\pi t)}{20\pi t}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_x(t_1, t_2) = 50 \left( \text{sinc}(200(t_1 - t_2)) - \text{sinc}(200(t_1 + t_2)) \right)$$

Is the process wide sense stationary? Justify your answer.

- (b) Calculate the variance of the random variable  $z = 2x(1 \text{ ms}) - x(2 \text{ ms})$ .

END

**Table of the  $Q(x)$  and  $\text{erf}(x)$  functions**

The approximation  $Q(x) \approx \frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi}}(1 - \frac{0.7}{x^2})e^{-x^2/2}$  may be used when  $x > 2$ .

$x$	$\text{erf}(x)$	$Q(x)$	$x$	$\text{erf}(x)$	$Q(x)$	$x$	$\text{erf}(x)$	$Q(x)$
0.00	0	0.5	1.70	0.9838	0.04457	3.40	1	0.0003369
0.10	0.1125	0.4602	1.80	0.9891	0.03593	3.50	1	0.0002326
0.20	0.2227	0.4207	1.90	0.9928	0.02872	3.60	1	0.0001591
0.30	0.3286	0.3821	2.00	0.9953	0.02275	3.70	1	0.0001078
0.40	0.4284	0.3446	2.10	0.997	0.01786	3.80	1	$7.235 \times 10^{-5}$
0.50	0.5205	0.3085	2.20	0.9981	0.0139	3.90	1	$4.810 \times 10^{-5}$
0.60	0.6039	0.2743	2.30	0.9989	0.01072	4.00	1	$3.167 \times 10^{-5}$
0.70	0.6778	0.242	2.40	0.9993	0.008198	4.10	1	$2.066 \times 10^{-5}$
0.80	0.7421	0.2119	2.50	0.9996	0.00621	4.20	1	$1.335 \times 10^{-5}$
0.90	0.7969	0.1841	2.60	0.9998	0.004661	4.30	1	$8.540 \times 10^{-6}$
1.00	0.8427	0.1587	2.70	0.9999	0.003467	4.40	1	$5.413 \times 10^{-6}$
1.10	0.8802	0.1357	2.80	0.9999	0.002555	4.50	1	$3.398 \times 10^{-6}$
1.20	0.9103	0.1151	2.90	1	0.001866	4.60	1	$2.112 \times 10^{-6}$
1.30	0.934	0.0968	3.00	1	0.00135	4.70	1	$1.301 \times 10^{-6}$
1.40	0.9523	0.08076	3.10	1	0.0009676	4.80	1	$7.933 \times 10^{-7}$
1.50	0.9661	0.06681	3.20	1	0.0006871	4.90	1	$4.792 \times 10^{-7}$
1.60	0.9763	0.0548	3.30	1	0.0004834	5.00	1	$2.867 \times 10^{-7}$