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**Problem 1** (15.5) Let  $y[n]$  be a discrete random process defined as  $y[2n] = y_1[n]$ ,  $y[2n + 1] = y_2[n]$ . Here,

$$y_1[n] = 1 + v_1[n], \quad y_2[n] = a[n] + v_2[n],$$

where  $v_1[n], v_2[n] \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$  are identically distributed and statistically independent.  $a[n]$  is statistically independent from  $v_1[n]$  and  $v_2[n]$  and takes the values 1 and  $-1$  with equal probability for any  $n$ . The random processes  $v_1[n], v_2[n]$ , and  $a[n]$  are jointly strict-sense stationary (jointly SSS).

- a) Find the joint conditional pdf  $f_{y_1[n], y_2[n] | a[n]}(y_1, y_2 | 1)$  of the random variables  $y_1[n], y_2[n]$ .
- b) Find the joint pdf  $f_{y_1[n], y_2[n]}(y_1, y_2)$  of the random variables  $y_1[n], y_2[n]$ .
- c) Are the two random variables  $y_1[n], y_2[n]$  statistically independent? Justify your answer.
- d) Find the means  $\mu_{y_1}[n]$  and  $\mu_{y_2}[n]$  and express the autocorrelation functions  $R_{y_1}[n_1, n_2]$  and  $R_{y_2}[n_1, n_2]$  in terms of the autocorrelation functions of the strict-sense stationary processes  $r_{v_1}[m], r_{v_2}[m]$ , and  $r_a[m]$ , where  $m = n_1 - n_2$ .
- e) Is  $y[n]$  wide-sense stationary? Justify your answer.

**Problem 2** (20.5 points) Consider the joint probability density function (pdf)

$$f_{x,y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} K, & x^2 + y^2 \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The random variables  $x$  and  $y$  are mapped onto two new random variables  $z = x^2$  and  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ .

- Sketch the joint pdf  $f_{x,y}(x, y)$  and calculate the constant  $K$ .
- Calculate the expectations  $E\{r\}$  and  $E\{r^2\}$ .
- Calculate the probability  $P\{x^2 + y^2 < 1/2\}$ .
- Calculate the marginal pdfs  $f_x(x)$  and  $f_z(z)$ .
- Calculate the mixed moment  $m_{xy}^{(1,1)}$ .
- Are  $x$  and  $y$  uncorrelated and/or statistically independent? Justify your answer.

*Hints:*

- $\int_0^1 \sqrt{1-u^2} du = \frac{\pi}{4}$
- Conversion between cartesian coordinates and polar coordinates:  
 $dx dy = r dr d\phi$

**Problem 3** (15 points) Consider a random variable  $x$  with “triangular” probability density function (pdf)

$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} 2 \cdot (1 - x), & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- Sketch the pdf of  $x$ .
- Calculate the mean and variance of  $x$ .
- Suppose  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are statistically independent random variables and each has the same pdf  $f_{x_1}(x) = f_{x_2}(x) = f_x(x)$ . Find the pdf  $f_y(y)$  of  $y = x_1 + x_2$ .
- Calculate the mean and variance of  $y$  without using its pdf  $f_y(y)$ , calculated in c).
- Find the probability  $P\{Y > 1\}$ .

**Problem 4** (19 points) Consider a random vector  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1 \ v_2)^T$  with  $\sigma_{v_1}^2 = \sigma_{v_2}^2 = 2$ ,  $\mu_{v_1} = \mu_{v_2} = 3$ ,  $R_{v_1, v_2} = \alpha$  and  $R_{v_2, v_1} = \beta$ .

- a) Specify  $\beta$  in terms of  $\alpha$  and find the possible value ranges for  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
- b) For  $\alpha = 8$ , specify the correlation matrix  $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{v}}$  and the covariance matrix  $\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{v}}$ .
- c) Find the eigenvalues  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  of  $\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{v}}$  for  $\alpha = 8$ .
- d) Find the corresponding orthonormal eigenvectors  $\mathbf{u}_1$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2$ .
- e) Find the whitening (decorrelation) transformation matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ .
- f) Show that the resulting elements of the random vector  $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}$  are uncorrelated.