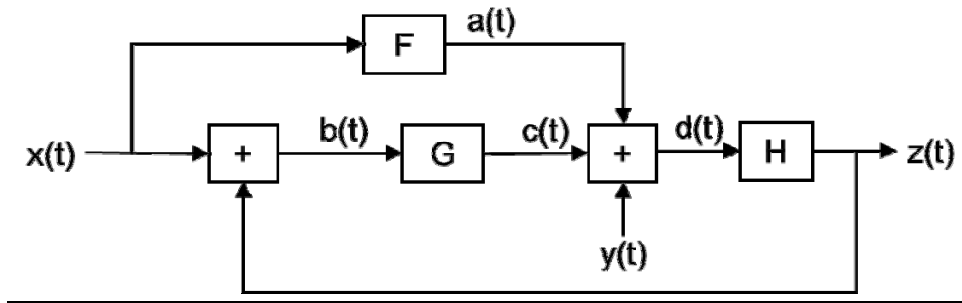


Linear Systems, Black Boxes, and Beyond

Homework #3 (2014-2015), Answers

Q1: Noises and networks

Given the following network, where F , G , and H are linear filters with transfer functions $\tilde{F}(\omega)$, $\tilde{G}(\omega)$, and $\tilde{H}(\omega)$, and $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ are independent noise inputs with power spectra $P_x(\omega)$ and $P_y(\omega)$, calculate the power spectrum $P_z(\omega)$ of $z(t)$.



We want to determine $P_z(\omega) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \langle |\tilde{z}(\omega)|^2 \rangle = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \langle \tilde{z}(\omega) \overline{\tilde{z}(\omega)} \rangle$, where $\tilde{z}(\omega)$ is a Fourier estimate of

$z(t)$ over some finite but long interval T , i.e., $\tilde{z}(\omega) = \int_0^T e^{-i\omega t} z(t) dt$. To find $\tilde{z}(\omega)$ in terms of $\tilde{x}(\omega)$ and $\tilde{y}(\omega)$,

we chase Fourier estimates through the network, considering T to be long enough so that the Fourier estimates can be replaced by the corresponding Fourier transforms:

$$\tilde{a}(\omega) = \tilde{F}(\omega) \tilde{x}(\omega)$$

$$\tilde{b}(\omega) = \tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{z}(\omega)$$

$$\tilde{c}(\omega) = \tilde{G}(\omega) \tilde{b}(\omega) = \tilde{G}(\omega) \tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega) \tilde{z}(\omega)$$

$$\tilde{d}(\omega) = \tilde{a}(\omega) + \tilde{c}(\omega) + \tilde{y}(\omega) = \tilde{F}(\omega) \tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega) \tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega) \tilde{z}(\omega) + \tilde{y}(\omega)$$

$$\tilde{z}(\omega) = \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{d}(\omega) = \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{F}(\omega) \tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{G}(\omega) \tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{G}(\omega) \tilde{z}(\omega) + \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{y}(\omega).$$

Solving the final equation for $\tilde{z}(\omega)$:

$$\tilde{z}(\omega) = \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{F}(\omega) \tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{G}(\omega) \tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{G}(\omega) \tilde{z}(\omega) + \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{y}(\omega),$$

so

$$\tilde{z}(\omega) (1 - \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{G}(\omega)) = \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{F}(\omega) \tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{G}(\omega) \tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{y}(\omega),$$

so

$$\tilde{z}(\omega) = \frac{\tilde{H}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{H}(\omega) \tilde{G}(\omega)} \left((\tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega)) \tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{y}(\omega) \right).$$

In computing $\langle |z(\omega)|^2 \rangle = \langle \tilde{z}(\omega) \overline{\tilde{z}(\omega)} \rangle$, we will get terms involving just x , just y , and cross-terms between x and y . The expected value of the cross-terms vanish because x and y are hypothesized to be independent. So

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle |z(\omega)|^2 \rangle &= \left| \frac{\tilde{H}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{H}(\omega)\tilde{G}(\omega)} \right|^2 \left\langle \left| (\tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega))\tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{y}(\omega) \right|^2 \right\rangle \\
&= \left| \frac{\tilde{H}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{H}(\omega)\tilde{G}(\omega)} \right|^2 \left\langle \left((\tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega))\tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{y}(\omega) \right) \overline{\left((\tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega))\tilde{x}(\omega) + \tilde{y}(\omega) \right)} \right\rangle \\
&= \left| \frac{\tilde{H}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{H}(\omega)\tilde{G}(\omega)} \right|^2 \left\langle \left((\tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega))\tilde{x}(\omega) \right) \overline{\left((\tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega))\tilde{x}(\omega) \right)} + \tilde{y}(\omega)\overline{\tilde{y}(\omega)} + \text{cross-terms} \right\rangle \\
&= \left| \frac{\tilde{H}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{H}(\omega)\tilde{G}(\omega)} \right|^2 \left\langle \left| \tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega) \right|^2 \tilde{x}(\omega)\overline{\tilde{x}(\omega)} + \tilde{y}(\omega)\overline{\tilde{y}(\omega)} + \text{cross-terms} \right\rangle \\
&= \left| \frac{\tilde{H}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{H}(\omega)\tilde{G}(\omega)} \right|^2 \left\langle \left| \tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega) \right|^2 |\tilde{x}(\omega)|^2 + |\tilde{y}(\omega)|^2 + \text{cross-terms} \right\rangle \\
&= \left| \frac{\tilde{H}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{H}(\omega)\tilde{G}(\omega)} \right|^2 \left\langle \left| \tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega) \right|^2 |\tilde{x}(\omega)|^2 + |\tilde{y}(\omega)|^2 \right\rangle
\end{aligned}$$

So $\langle |z(\omega)|^2 \rangle = \left| \frac{\tilde{H}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{H}(\omega)\tilde{G}(\omega)} \right|^2 \left\langle \left| \tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega) \right|^2 |\tilde{x}(\omega)|^2 + |\tilde{y}(\omega)|^2 \right\rangle$.

Using $P_s(\omega) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \langle |\tilde{s}(\omega)|^2 \rangle$,

$$\begin{aligned}
P_z(\omega) &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \langle |z(\omega)|^2 \rangle = \left| \frac{\tilde{H}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{H}(\omega)\tilde{G}(\omega)} \right|^2 \left[\left| \tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega) \right|^2 \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \langle |\tilde{x}(\omega)|^2 \rangle + \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \langle |\tilde{y}(\omega)|^2 \rangle \right] \\
&= \left| \frac{\tilde{H}(\omega)}{1 - \tilde{H}(\omega)\tilde{G}(\omega)} \right|^2 \left[\left| \tilde{F}(\omega) + \tilde{G}(\omega) \right|^2 P_x(\omega) + P_y(\omega) \right]
\end{aligned}$$