

Power Spectral Density of WSS R.P.s

Let $X(t)$ be WSS with autocorrelation function $R_x(\tau)$.

The power spectral density (PSD) of $X(t)$ is

$$S_x(f) = \mathcal{F}\{R_x(\tau)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_x(\tau) e^{-j2\pi f \tau} d\tau$$

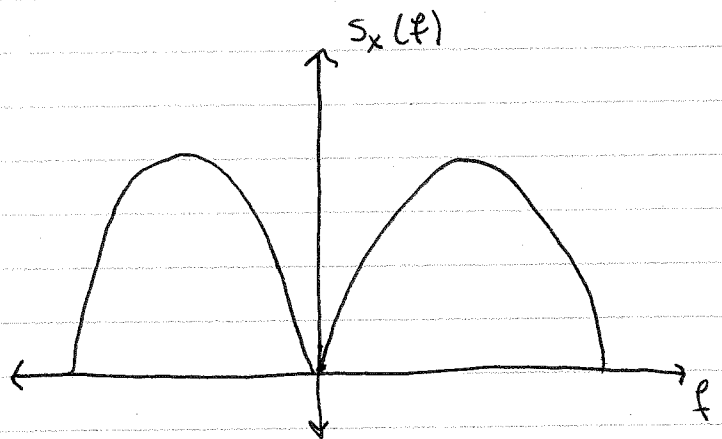
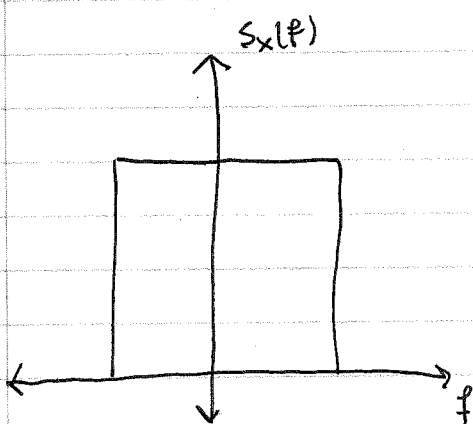
Properties of PSD

1) $E[X^2(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_x(f) df \geq 0$

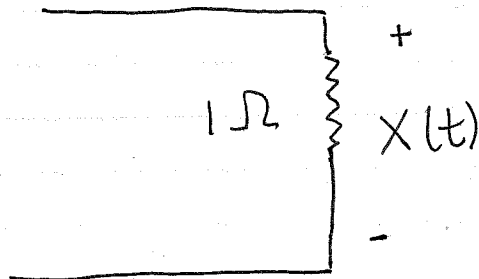
2) $S_x(f) = S_x(-f)$ (PSD is even)

3) $S_x(f)$ is real-valued.

4) $S_x(f) \geq 0$



Interpretation



Let $X(t)$ be a
(random) voltage across a
 1Ω resistor.

$E[X^2(t)]$ is the average power (in W)
dissipated across the resistor. If $X(t)$

is WSS, can compute $E[X^2(t)]$ as

$$E[X^2(t)] = R_x(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_x(f) df.$$

The PSD $S_x(f)$ gives the density of power
of the random process $X(t)$ at a frequency f (in Hz).

Because of this, $S_x(f)$ is in units W/Hz ,

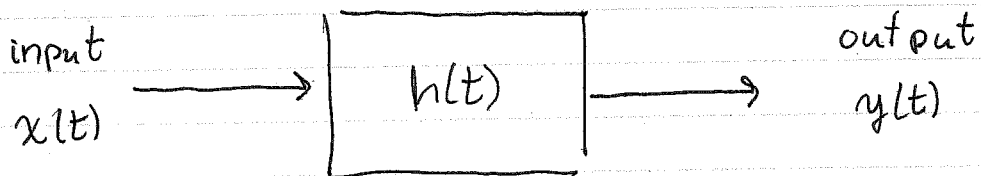
and can be used to find the average power

along a bandwidth $B = [f_1, f_2]$ as

$$P_B = \int_{f_1}^{f_2} S_x(f) df$$

Response of LTI systems to Random signals

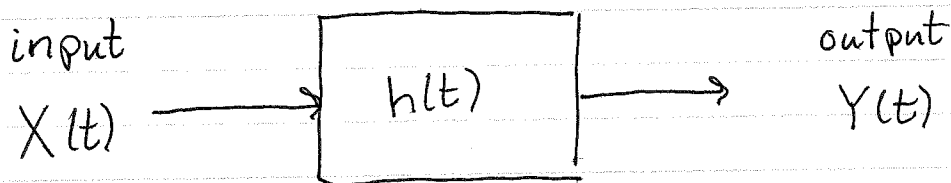
Consider an LTI system with impulse response $h(t)$.



The response of the system $y(t)$ to the input $x(t)$ can be found as $y(t) = x(t) * h(t)$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(s) x(t-s) ds$$

What if the input is a ~~was~~ WSS process $X(t)$?



What can be said about $Y(t)$?

Can show that $Y(t)$ is WSS.

$$E[Y(t)] = E\left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(s) X(t-s) ds\right]$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(s) E[X(t-s)] ds$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(s) \mu_x ds, \text{ since } X(t) \text{ is WSS}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_Y = \mu_X \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(s) ds$$

$$= \mu_X H(0)$$

where $H(f) = \mathcal{F}\{h(t)\}$
is the transfer function
of the system.

~~$R_Y(t_1, t_2)$~~

$$R_Y(t_1, t_2) = E[Y(t_1) Y(t_2)]$$

$$= E\left[\left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(s) X(t_1 - s) ds\right) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(r) X(t_2 - r) dr\right)\right]$$

$$= E\left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(s) h(r) X(t_1 - s) X(t_2 - r) ds dr\right]$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(s) h(r) E[X(t_1 - s) X(t_2 - r)] ds dr$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(s) h(r) R_X(t_2 - r - (t_1 - s)) ds dr,$$

since $X(t)$ is WSS

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(s) h(r) R_X(\underline{t_2 - t_1 + s - r}) ds dr$$

Letting $\tau = t_2 - t_1$ and $\tilde{h}(t) = h(-t)$

we have that

$$R_Y(\tau) = R_X(\tau) * h(\tau) * \tilde{h}(\tau)$$

Taking the Fourier transform of both sides gives $S_Y(f)$ as

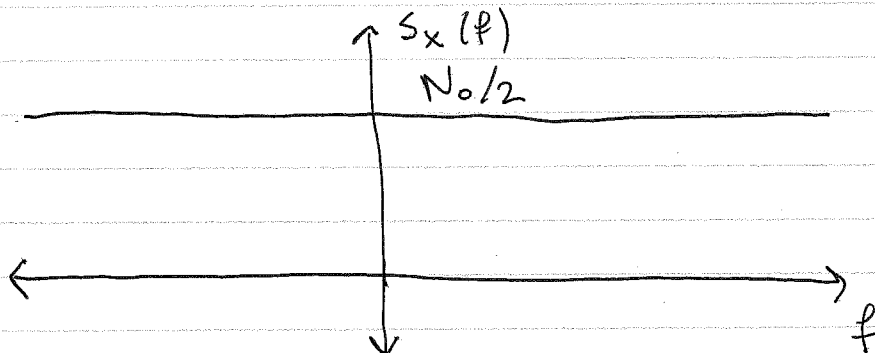
$$S_Y(f) = S_X(f) \cdot H(f) \cdot H^*(f)$$

$$= |H(f)|^2 S_X(f)$$

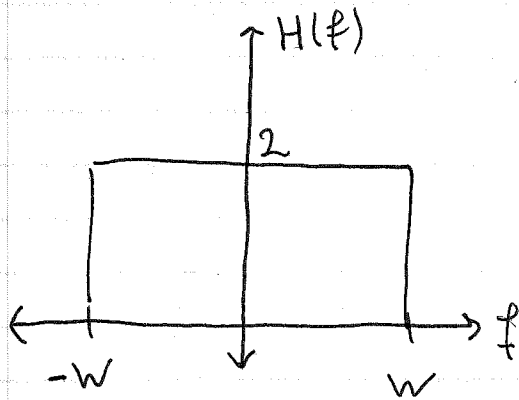
Therefore $Y(t)$ is WSS.

Ex: A process $X(t)$ is said to be white Gaussian noise if its power spectral density is given by

$$S_X(f) = N_0/2, \quad -\infty < f < \infty$$



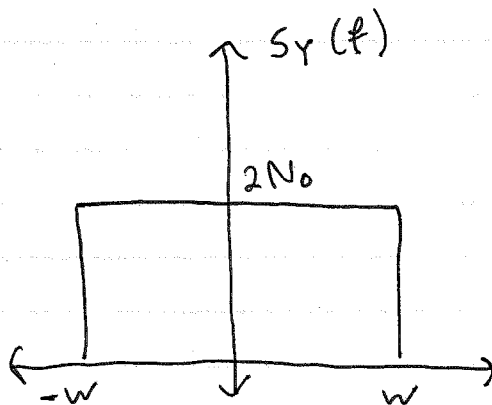
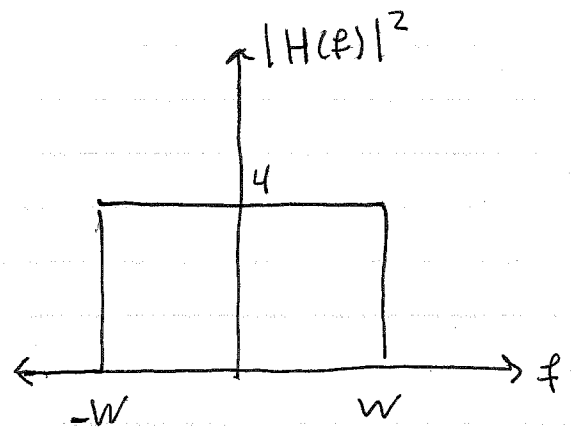
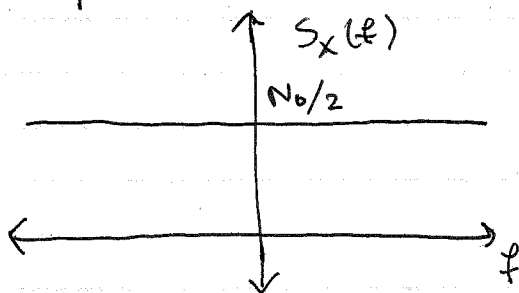
Let $X(t)$ be the input into an LTI system with transfer function $H(f)$.



LPF Gain = 2
Bandwidth $2W$

Let $Y(t)$ be the output of the system.

$$S_Y(f) = |H(f)|^2 S_X(f)$$



What is the average power of the output?

$$E[Y^2(t)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_Y(f) df$$

$$= \int_{-W}^W 2N_0 df$$

$$= 4N_0W$$

If we want $E[Y^2(t)]$ (average power)

to fall below a certain threshold, we

can adjust W .