

Intensity spectrum and spectral density [nlh14]

Consider an ergodic process $x(t)$ with $\langle x \rangle = 0$.

Fourier amplitude: $\tilde{x}(\omega, T) \doteq \int_0^T dt e^{i\omega t} x(t) \Rightarrow \tilde{x}(-\omega, T) = \tilde{x}^*(\omega, T)$.

Intensity spectrum (power spectrum): $I_{xx}(\omega) \doteq \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} |\tilde{x}(\omega, T)|^2$.

Correlation function: $C_{xx}(\tau) \doteq \langle x(t)x(t+\tau) \rangle = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt x(t)x(t+\tau)$.

Spectral density: $S_{xx}(\omega) \doteq \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\tau e^{i\omega\tau} C_{xx}(\tau)$.

Wiener-Khinchine theorem: $I_{xx}(\omega) = S_{xx}(\omega)$.

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{xx}(\omega) &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt' e^{-i\omega t'} x(t') \int_0^T dt e^{i\omega t} x(t) \\
 &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T d\tau \left[e^{i\omega\tau} \int_0^{T-\tau} dt' x(t')x(t'+\tau) + e^{-i\omega\tau} \int_0^{T-\tau} dt x(t)x(t+\tau) \right] \\
 &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} 2 \int_0^T d\tau \cos \omega\tau \frac{1}{T} \int_0^{T-\tau} dt x(t)x(t+\tau) \\
 &= 2 \int_0^{\infty} d\tau \cos \omega\tau C_{xx}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\tau e^{i\omega\tau} C_{xx}(\tau) = S_{xx}(\omega).
 \end{aligned}$$

