

**[nex70] Critically damped ballistic galvanometer.**

The response of a critically damped ballistic galvanometer to a current pulse at  $t = 0$  is  $\Psi(t) = cte^{-\gamma t}$ . Consider the situation where the galvanometer experiences a steady stream of independent random current pulses,  $X(t) = \sum_k \Psi(t-t_k)$ , where the  $t_k$  are distributed randomly with an average rate  $n$  of occurrences.

(a) Use Campbell's theorem [nex37] to calculate the average displacement  $\langle X \rangle$  and the autocorrelation function  $\langle\langle X(t)X(0) \rangle\rangle$ .

(b) Show that the associated spectral density reads

$$S_{XX}(\omega) \doteq \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt e^{i\omega t} \langle\langle X(t)X(0) \rangle\rangle = \frac{nc^2}{(\gamma^2 + \omega^2)^2}.$$

**Solution:**