Problem 8.17 A discrete-time white noise process $\{W_n\}$ has an autocorrelation function given by $R_W(n) = N_0 \delta(n)$.

- (a) Using the discrete Fourier transform, determine the power spectral density of $\{W_n\}$.
- (b) The white noise process is passed through a discrete-time filter having a discrete-frequency response

$$H(k) = \frac{1 - (\alpha W^k)^N}{1 - \alpha W^k}$$

where, for a N-point discrete Fourier transform, $W = \exp\{j2\pi/N\}$. What is the spectrum of the filter output?

Solution

The spectrum of the discrete white noise process is

$$S(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} R(n) W^{nk}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} N_0 \delta(n) W^{nk}$$
$$= N_0$$

The spectrum of the process after filtering is

$$S_{Y}(k) = |H(k)|^{2} S(k)$$

$$= N_{0} \left| \frac{1 - (\alpha W^{k})^{N}}{1 - \alpha W^{k}} \right|^{2}$$