

Bayesian Nonparametric Spectral Analysis of Multivariate Time Series

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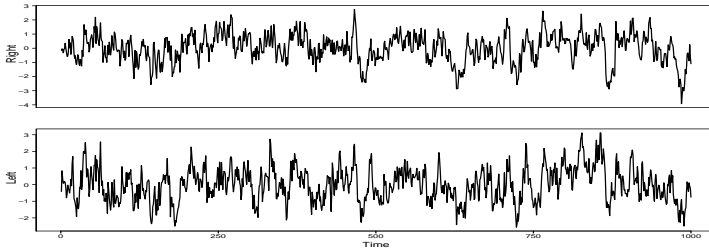
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Bivariate EEG Time Series

Rat A



Source: Quiroga et al. (2002), Phys. Rev. E, 65, 041903

- intra-temporal variability
- inter-temporal interactions
- Not independent nor identically distributed.
- Cyclic behaviour, but not deterministic.
 - Different heights of peaks
 - Different lengths of periods

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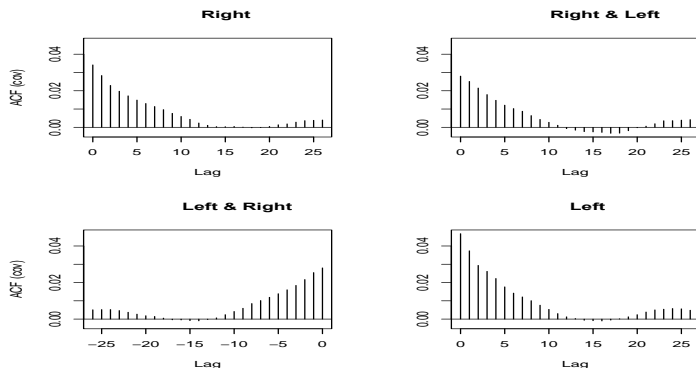
How to quantify uncertainty without parametric assumptions?

Multivariate Time Series

Let $\mathbf{Z}_t = (Z_t^{(1)}, \dots, Z_t^{(d)})^T$ d -dim, mean-centered, stationary

$\Gamma(h) = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{Z}_{t+h}, \mathbf{Z}_t)$ independent of t for all lags h ,

$\Gamma(h)$ matrix-valued autocovariance function, positive definite



ACF of EEG time series for Rat A.

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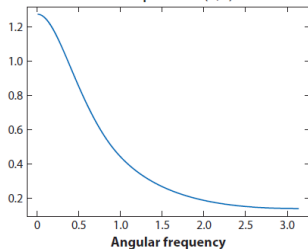
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$\mathbf{f}(\omega) = \begin{pmatrix} f_{11}(\omega) & \cdots & f_{1d}(\omega) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ f_{d1}(\omega) & \cdots & f_{dd}(\omega) \end{pmatrix}$ is a function on $[0, \pi]$:

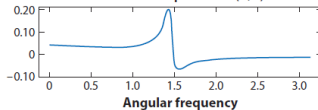
- matrix-valued
- 2π -periodic
- Hermitian
- positive definite

Spectral Density of VARMA(2,2)

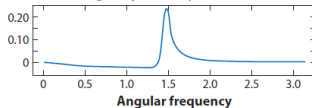
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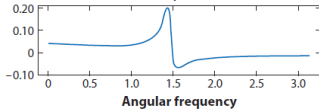
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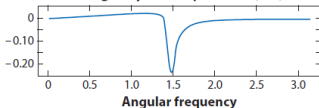
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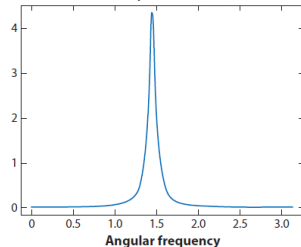
Real cross-spectrum (2,1)



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Nonparametric Spectral Analysis

Given observations: $\mathbf{Z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{Z}_n$

Nonparametric estimation of spectral density

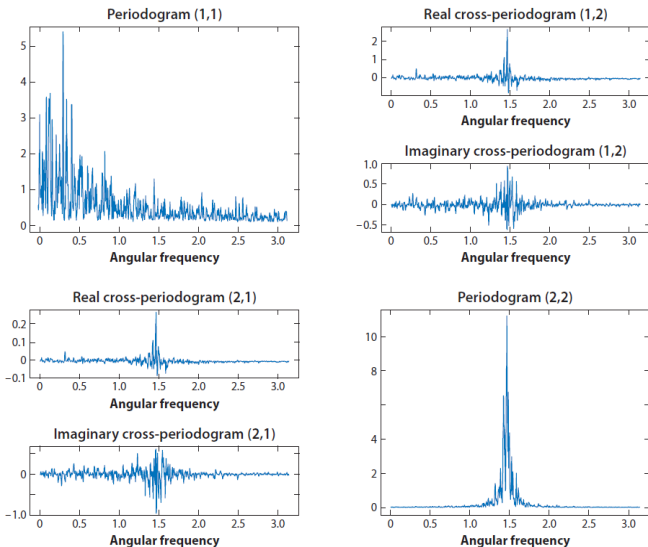
$$\mathbf{f}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \boldsymbol{\Gamma}(k) e^{-ik\omega}$$

is based on the **periodogram matrix**

$$\mathbf{I}_n(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi n} \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}(\omega) \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}(\omega)^*$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}(\omega) = \sum_{t=1}^n \mathbf{z}_t e^{-it\omega}$ is the Fourier transform of the time series

Simulated VARMA(2,2), $n = 4096$



Smoothing the Periodogram

Periodogram is **asympt. unbiased** but **not consistent**, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned}E(\mathbf{I}_n(\omega)) &\rightarrow \mathbf{f}(\omega) \\ \text{Var}(\mathbf{I}_n(\omega)) &\rightarrow \mathbf{f}^2(\omega)\end{aligned}$$

→ smoothing techniques in **frequentist** literature:

- kernel-based
- nearest neighbour
- multi-taper
- spline-based
- wavelet-based

For a recent review, see e.g. von Sachs (2020), *Annu. Rev. Stat. Appl* 7: 361–86

Bayesian Nonparametric Approach

Use asymptotic properties of periodograms:

- $\mathbf{I}_n(\omega_j)$ asymptotically independent, $\omega_j = \frac{2\pi j}{n}$
- $\mathbf{I}_n(\omega_j) \stackrel{asym}{\sim} \text{Wishart}_d(\mathbf{f}(\omega_j), N)$, $j = 0, \dots, N = \lfloor (n-1)/2 \rfloor$

Multivariate Whittle likelihood (Whittle, 1957)

$$p^W(\mathbf{Z}|\mathbf{f}) \propto \exp \left\{ - \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\log(\det(2\pi\mathbf{f}(\omega_j))) + \frac{1}{2\pi} \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_j^* \mathbf{f}(\omega_j)^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_j \right) \right\}$$

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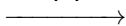
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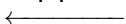
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FT⁻¹



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Properties

Proposition

- 1 The Whittle likelihood is a special case:
Generalized Whittle likelihood of a Gaussian VAR(0)
- 2 If $\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{f}_{VAR}$, then $p^{GW} = p_{VAR}$.
- 3 The periodogram is asymptotically unbiased for the true spectral density under the Generalized Whittle likelihood.

Bernstein – Hpd Matrix Gamma Process Prior

Prior for $d = 1$

(Choudhuri et al. 2003)

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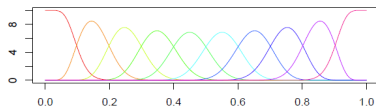
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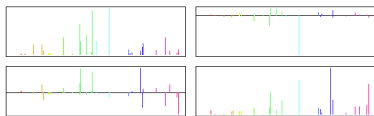
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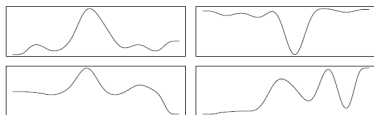
Example Polynomial Mixture $d = 2$



Polynomial basis $b_{j,k}$ for $k = 10$.
Coarsened Bernstein polynomials.



Realization of Φ .
Hpd Gamma Process.



Mixture $\sum_{j=1}^k \Phi \left(\left(\frac{j-1}{k}, \frac{j}{k} \right] \right) b_{j,k}(x)$.

Hpd Gamma Process

Infinite Series Representation

$$\Phi = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \delta_{x_j} r_j \mathbf{U}_j$$

with **independent**

$x_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} U[0, 1]$, $\mathbf{U}_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \alpha^*$, $r_j = \rho_{\alpha, \beta}^-(w_j)$, $w_j = \sum_{i=1}^j v_i$, $v_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(1)$

Simulation: inverse Lévy measure algorithm (Wolpert & Ickstadt, 1998)

Posterior Computation

- Generalized Whittle's Likelihood:

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- Prior:

- noninformative on VAR coefficients
- Hpd Gamma process prior on $\mathbf{Q}(\omega) := \mathbf{f}_{VAR}^{-1/2}(\omega)\mathbf{f}(\omega)\mathbf{f}_{VAR}^{-1/2}(\omega)$

$$\mathbf{Q}(\pi_X) = \sum_{j=1}^k \Phi \left(\left(\frac{j-1}{k}, \frac{j}{k} \right] \right) b_{j,k}(x), \quad \Phi = \sum_{j=1}^L \delta_{x_j} r_j \mathbf{U}_j$$

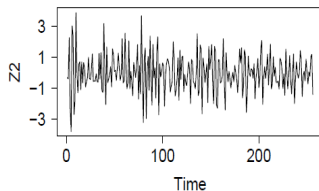
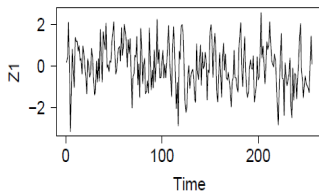
- Adaptive MH-within-Gibbs:

R-package `beyondWhittle`

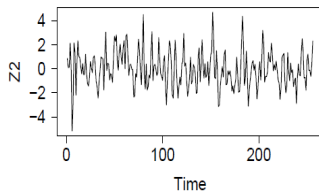
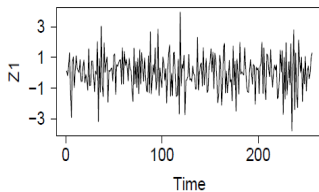
GitHub: <https://github.com/easycure1/vnpctest>

Simulation Study

Data generated from a) VAR(2) and b) VMA(1)



(a)



(b)

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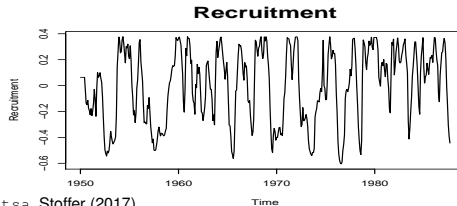
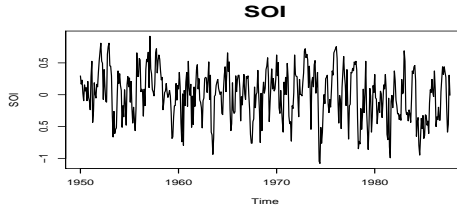
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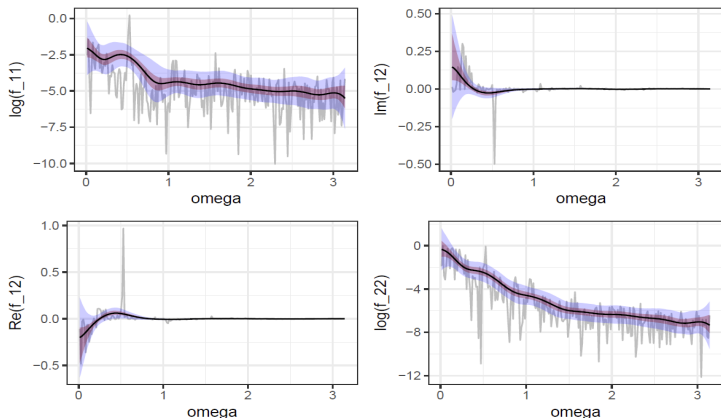
Southern Oscillation Index(SOI)

SOI = monthly standardized anomaly of mean sea-level pressure difference between Tahiti and Darwin



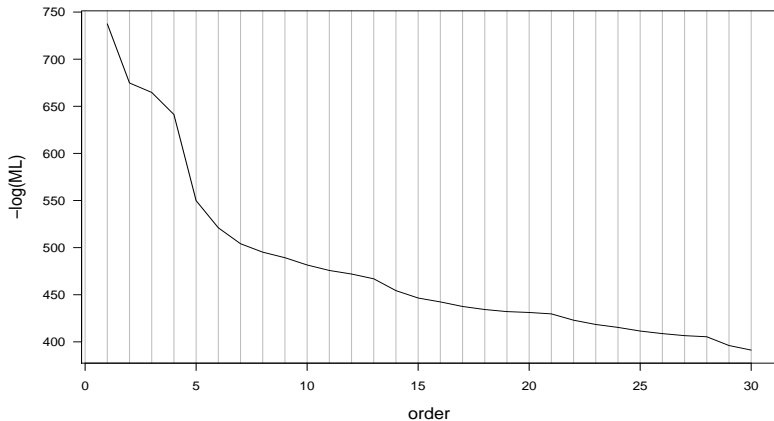
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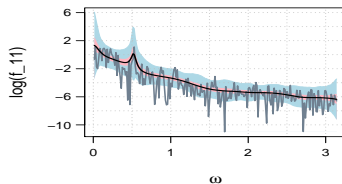
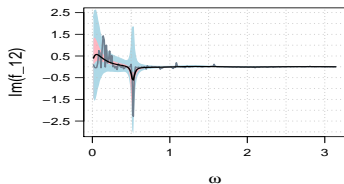
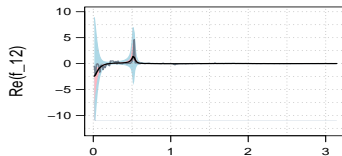
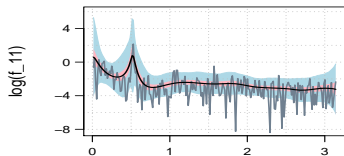


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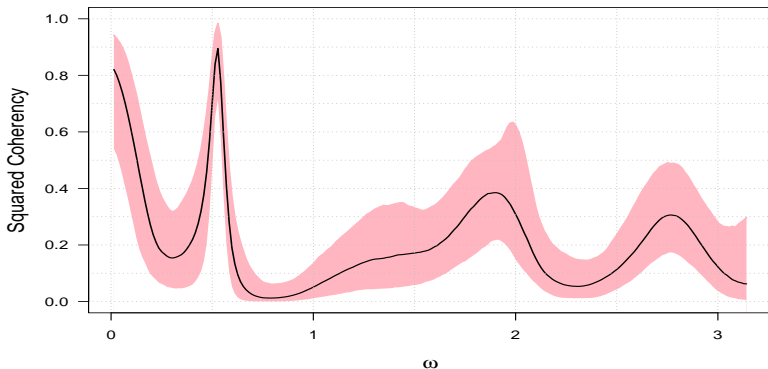
Results with Generalized Whittle Likelihood with VAR(5)



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Squared Coherency

$$\frac{|f_{12}(\omega)|^2}{f_{11}(\omega)f_{22}(\omega)}$$

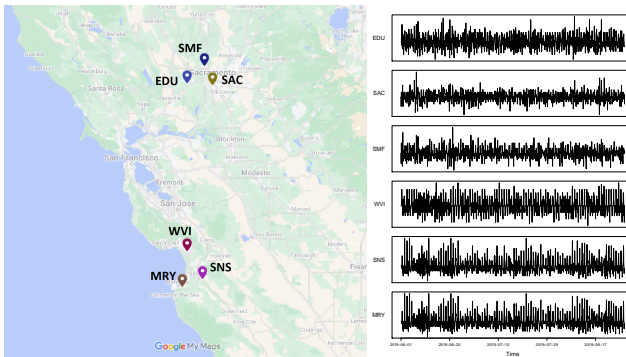


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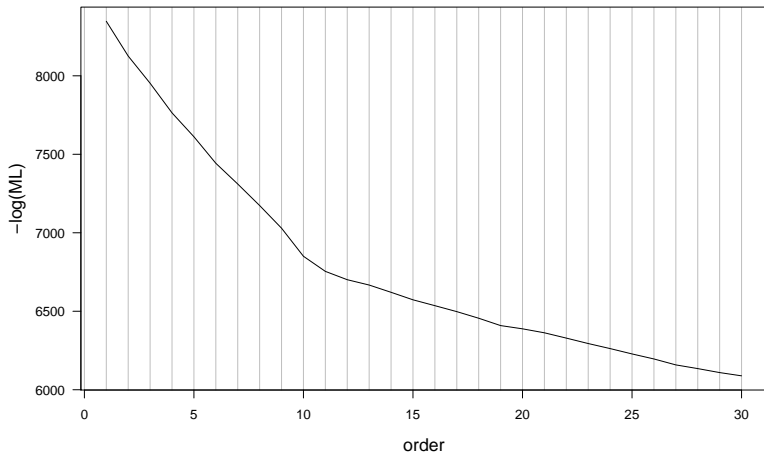
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California Windspeed Data

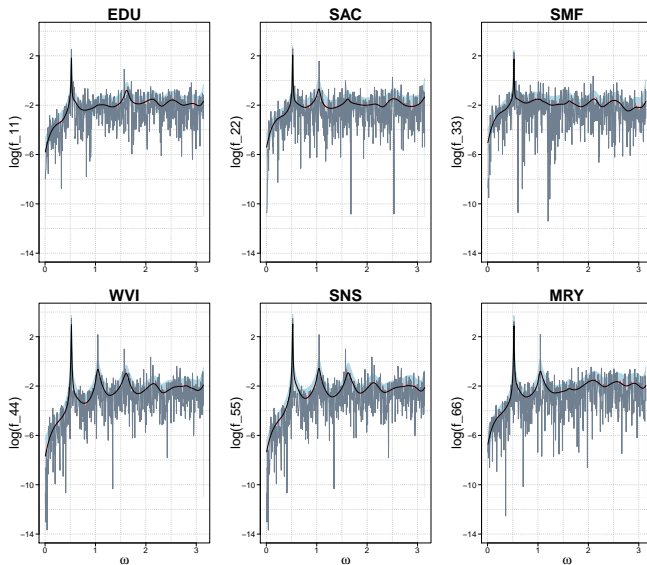
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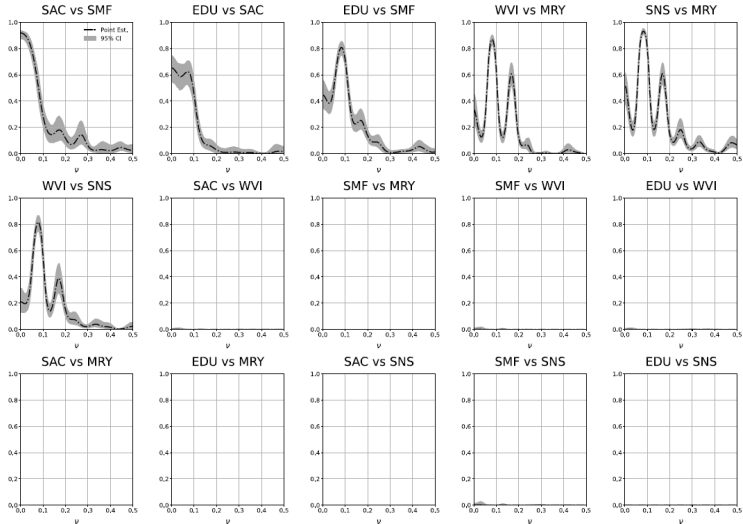
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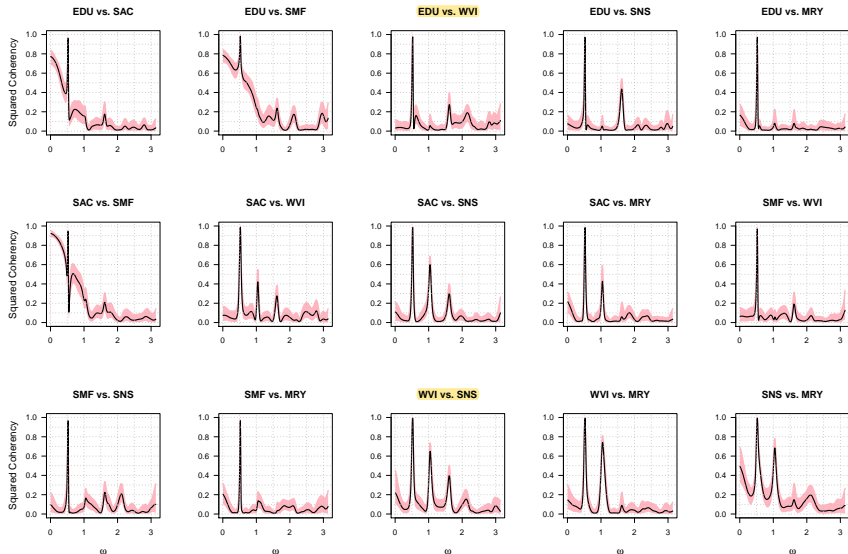
Squared Coherences by Hu and Prado (2023)

Z. Hu and R. Prado

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Squared Coherences using Generalized Whittle Likelihood

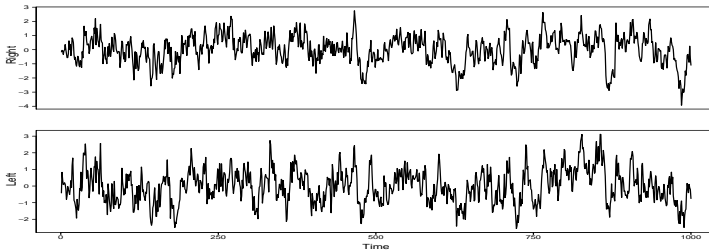


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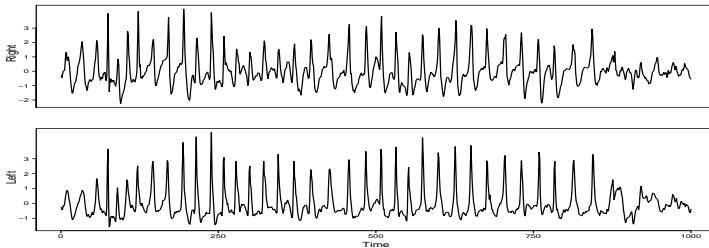
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Two-Channel RAT EEG

Rat A



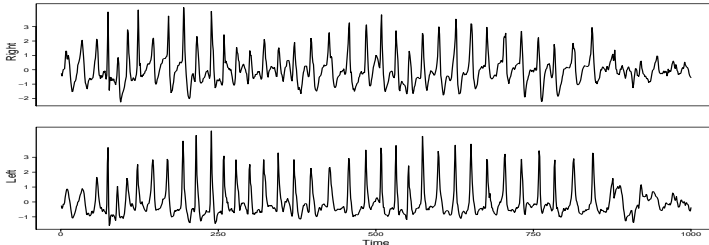
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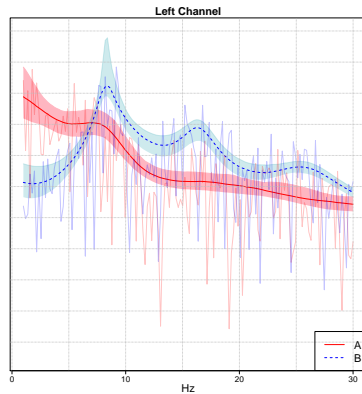
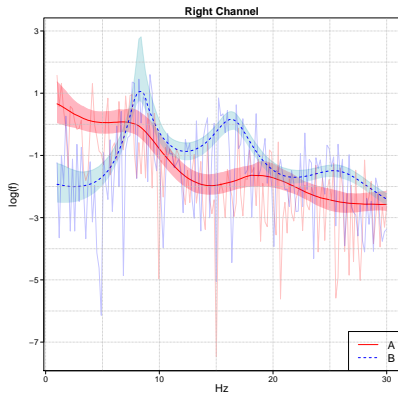
Epilepsy – Synchronization

- Spike discharges
- Synchronization between right and left channels
- Pathological synchronization → epileptic seizure

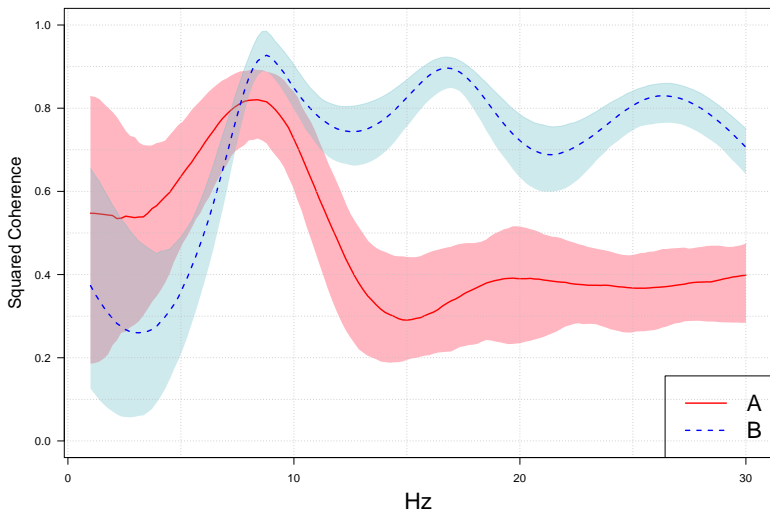
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GW Estimates of Spectral Densities



GW Estimates of Squared Coherence



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Hpd Gamma Distribution (Pérez-Abreu, Stelzer 2014)

- Radial decomposition: For $\mathbf{Z} > \mathbf{0}$ write $\mathbf{Z} = r\mathbf{U}$ with
 - radial part $r = \text{tr}(\mathbf{Z}) > 0$
 - spherical part $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{S} = \{\mathbf{U} > \mathbf{0} : \text{tr}\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{1}\}$
- α finite measure on \mathbb{S} and $\beta : \mathbb{S} \rightarrow (0, \infty)$

Hpd Gamma Distribution (Lévy-Khinchine representation)

$\mathbf{Z} \sim \text{Ga}_{d \times d}(\alpha, \beta)$ if for $\theta > \mathbf{0}$

$$\mathbb{E}e^{-\text{tr}(\theta\mathbf{Z})} = \exp\left(-\int_{\mathbb{S}} \int_0^{\infty} [1 - e^{-\text{tr}(r\theta\mathbf{U})}] \nu_{\alpha, \beta}(dr, d\mathbf{U})\right)$$

with Hpd Gamma Lévy measure

$$\nu_{\alpha, \beta}(dr, d\mathbf{U}) = \frac{1}{r} \exp(-r\beta(\mathbf{U})) dr \alpha(d\mathbf{U})$$

Hpd Gamma Process

Consider **Poisson process** Π on $[0, 1] \times \{\mathbf{Z} > \mathbf{0}\}$ with mean measure $\nu_{\alpha, \beta}(dr, d\mathbf{U}) dx$

Hpd Gamma Process (Kingman's Construction)

$$\Phi(A) = \sum_{(x, \mathbf{Z}) \in \Pi} 1_A(x) \mathbf{Z}, \quad A \subset [0, 1]$$

Then $\Phi(dx) \stackrel{ind}{\sim} \text{Ga}_{d \times d}(\alpha, \beta)$

Infinite Series Representation

$$\Phi = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \delta_{x_j} r_j \mathbf{U}_j$$

with **independent**

$x_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} U[0, 1]$, $\mathbf{U}_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \alpha^*$, $r_j = \rho_{\alpha, \beta}^-(w_j)$, $w_j = \sum_{i=1}^j v_i$, $v_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(1)$