

Testing for periodicities in functional time series

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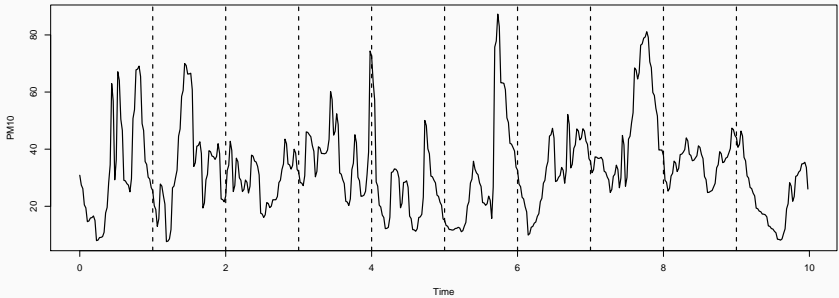
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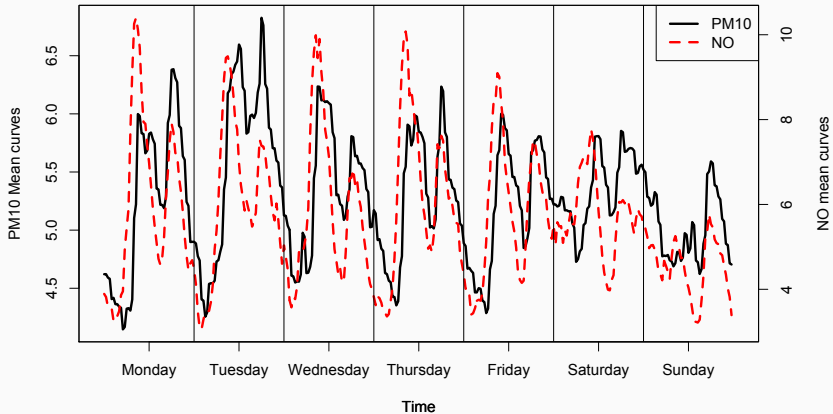
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- The frequency domain approach to the analysis of functional time series has been gaining attention in recent years (see, for example, Panaretos and Tavakoli (2013), Hörmann, Kidziński and Hallin (2015), Zhang (2016), Ch. and Rice (2020) among others).

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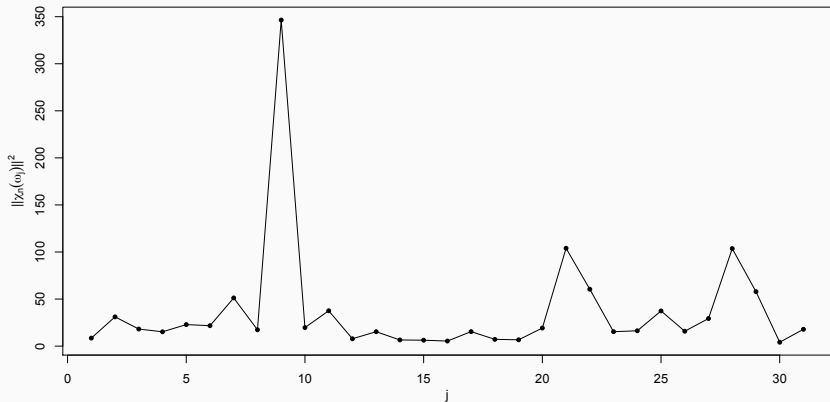
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The squared norm of the DFT ($n = 63$)



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- We need to establish the asymptotic distribution of the maximum of the periodogram if we want to use it to test for hidden periodicities.

Theorem

Suppose that $\{X_t\}_{t \geq 1}$ are iid random variables such that $E X_1 = 0$, $E |X_1|^2 = 1$ and $E |X_1|^r < \infty$ with $r > 2$. Then

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq q} |\mathcal{X}_n(\omega_j)|^2 - \log q \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{G} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

where $q = \lfloor (n-1)/2 \rfloor$ and \mathcal{G} is the standard Gumbel distribution with the CDF given by $F(x) = \exp\{-\exp\{-x\}\}$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Davis and Mikosch (1999)

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Asymptotic results

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- Hence, we have a maximum of q iid $\text{Erlang}(d, 1)$ random variables (a special case of the gamma distribution).

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$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq q} \|\mathcal{X}_n(\omega_j)\|^2 - c_n \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{G} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

where $q = \lfloor (n-1)/2 \rfloor$,

$$c_n = \log q + (d-1) \log \log q - \log(d-1)!$$

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$\{v_k\}_{k \geq 1}$ and $\{\lambda_k\}_{k \geq 1}$ are the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of the covariance operator $E[X_1 \otimes X_1] = E[\langle \cdot, X_1 \rangle X_1]$.

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$$\rho_n(\mathcal{A}) = \sup_{A \in \mathcal{A}} |P(n^{-1/2}(X_1 + \dots + X_n) \in A) - P(n^{-1/2}(Y_1 + \dots + Y_n) \in A)|,$$

where \mathcal{A} is a class of Borel sets in \mathbb{R}^p .

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Gaussian approximation bound

We obtain that

$$\rho_n(\mathcal{A}^{sp}(2d_n)) \leq C \cdot \frac{d_n^4 \log^{7/6}(d_n n^2)}{\lambda_{d_n}^{1/2} n^{1/6}},$$

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$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \ell_k^{-r/2} E|\langle X_1, v_k \rangle|^r < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k > d_n} (\lambda_k/\ell_k)^{r/2} = o(1/n)$$

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Main theorem

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Suppose that $\{X_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is a linear process given by

$$X_t = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k(\varepsilon_{t-k})$$

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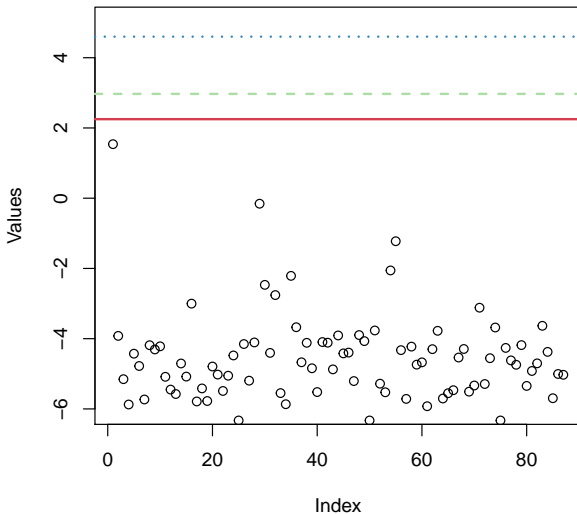
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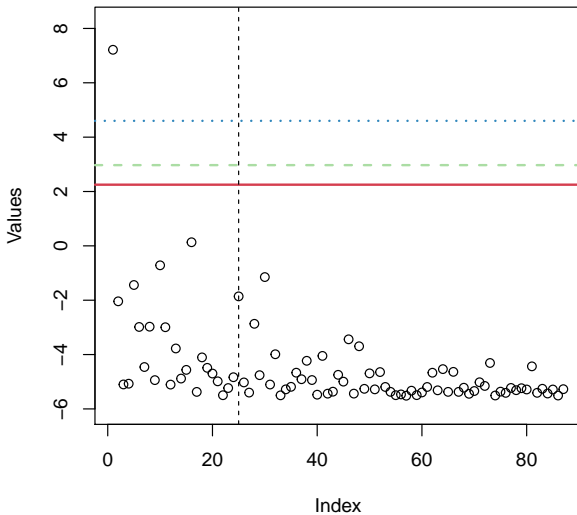
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