

# Structured covariance estimation in high resolution spectral analysis

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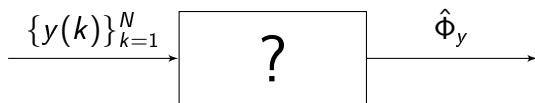
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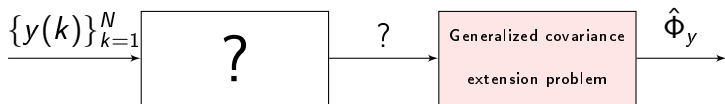


# Spectral estimation problem

- $y = \{y_k; k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  zero mean,  $\mathbb{C}^m$ -valued, stationary and purely nondeterministic Gaussian process
- $\{y(k)\}_{k=1}^N$  available finite data sequence

**TASK** Estimate the power spectral density (psd)  $\Phi_y(e^{j\vartheta})$  of  $y$

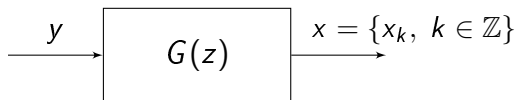




SPLIT the problem!

# Generalized covariance extension problem

- $G(z) = (zI - A)^{-1}B$     *Bank of filters*
  - $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  strictly stable,  $B \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$  full column rank

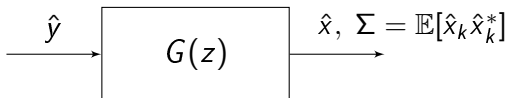


- $\Sigma = \mathbb{E}[x_k x_k^*] = \int G \Phi_y G^*$  Output covariance matrix

## Generalized covariance extension problem (cont'd)

## Problem statement

Given  $\Sigma$ , find a psd  $\hat{\Phi}_y(e^{j\vartheta})$  such that  $\int G \hat{\Phi}_y G^* = \Sigma$



Once given  $\Sigma$ , does  $\hat{\Phi}_y$  exist?



# Example: $G(z)$ bank of delays

$$\bullet A = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_m & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & I_m \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_{l \times l \text{ blocks}}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ I_m \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x_k = \begin{bmatrix} y_{k-l+1} \\ y_{k-l+2} \\ \vdots \\ y_k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bullet \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} R_0 & R_1 & R_2 & \dots & R_{l-1} \\ R_1^* & R_0 & R_1 & \dots & R_{l-2} \\ R_2^* & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ R_{l-1}^* & R_{l-2}^* & \dots & \dots & R_0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R_l = \mathbb{E}[y_{k+l}y_k^*]$$

Covariance extension problem

# How to choose $\hat{\Phi}_y$ ?

- Entropy rate of a stochastic process with psd  $\Phi$

$$\mathbb{H}(\Phi) = \int \log \det \Phi(e^{j\vartheta})$$

Maximum entropy solution (Byrnes-Georgiou-Lindquist, 2000)

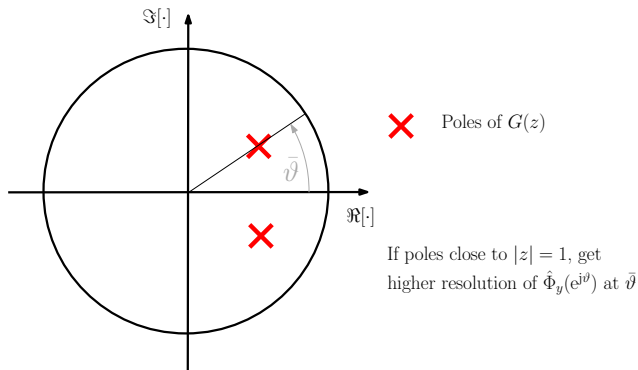
$$\hat{\Phi}_{THREE}(e^{j\vartheta}) = \underset{\Phi \in \mathcal{S} : \int G\Phi G^* = \Sigma}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathbb{H}(\Phi) \quad \text{RATIONAL!}$$

- Special case: “Classical” maximum entropy solution when  $G(z)$  bank of delays (Burg, 1967)





# How to choose $G(z)$ ?



High resolution in prescribed frequency bands!

# Other THREE-type solutions

- Kullback-Leibler relative entropy  
(Georgiou-Lindquist,2003)
  - Hellinger distance  
(Ferrante-Pavon-Ramponi,2008)
  - Relative entropy rate  
(Ferrante-Masiero-Pavon,2012)
  - Beta divergence  
(Zorzi,submitted,2012)
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- $\hat{\Phi}_y = \frac{\Psi}{G^* \Lambda G}$
  - $\hat{\Phi}_y = (I + G^* \Lambda G)^{-1} \Psi (I + G^* \Lambda G)^{-1}$
  - $\hat{\Phi}_y = (\Psi^{-1} + G^* \Lambda G)^{-1}$
  - $\hat{\Phi}_y = (\Psi^{-\frac{1}{\nu}} + G^* \Lambda G)^{-\nu}$
  - $\hat{\Phi}_y = \frac{\Psi}{(1 + \frac{1}{\nu} G^* \Lambda G)^\nu}$

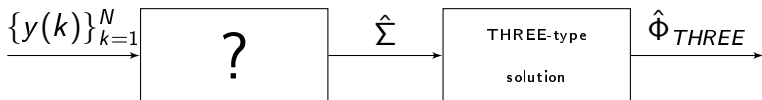
$\Psi$  a priori spectral density

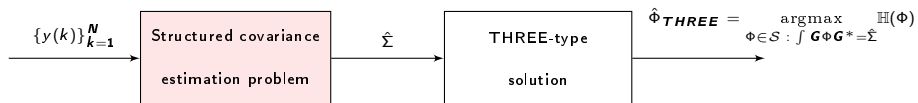
$\Lambda$  Lagrange multiplier



# Remarks

- Given entries for the spectral estimation problem (by choosing THREE-type solutions)
  - $\{y(k)\}_{k=1}^N \rightarrow$  Sample data
  - $G(z) \rightarrow$  Fixed
- $\Sigma = \int G\Phi_y G^*$  is not given!





# Structured covariance estimation problem

## Problem statement

Given  $G(z)$  and  $\{y(k)\}_{k=1}^N$ , find  $\hat{\Sigma} > 0$  such that  

$$\hat{\Sigma} = \int G\Phi G^* \quad \exists \Phi \in \mathcal{S}$$

- $\Gamma : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^{n \times n}, \quad \Delta \mapsto \int G\Delta G^*$
- $\text{Range } \Gamma := \{M \in \mathcal{H}^{n \times n} \mid \exists \Delta \in \mathcal{C} \text{ s.t. } \int G\Delta G^* = M\}$
- $\hat{\Sigma} \in \text{Range } \Gamma$  and positive definite iff there exists  $\Phi \in \mathcal{S}$  such that  $\int G\Phi G^* = \hat{\Sigma}$  (Georgiou, 2002)

## Problem

Given  $G(z)$  and  $\{y(k)\}_{k=1}^N$ , find a **positive definite** matrix  

$$\hat{\Sigma} \in \text{Range } \Gamma$$

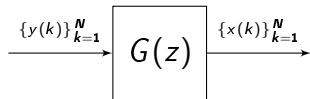
# Example: $G(z)$ bank of delays

$$\bullet \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} R_0 & R_1 & \dots & R_{J-1} \\ R_1^* & R_0 & \dots & R_{J-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ R_{J-1}^* & \dots & R_1^* & R_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Range  $\Gamma \equiv$  Toeplitz matrices

$$\bullet \hat{\Sigma}_1 := \begin{bmatrix} \hat{R}_0 & \hat{R}_1 & \dots \\ \hat{R}_1^* & \hat{R}_0 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \text{ not positive definite!}$$

$$\bullet \hat{\Sigma}_2 := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N x(k)x(k)^* \notin \text{Range } \Gamma$$



# Approaches for estimating structured covariances

- Blackman-Tukey method (Blackman-Tukey, 1959)
- Maximum likelihood method (Burg-Luenberger-Wenger, 1982)
- Projection method (Ferrante-Pavon-Ramponi, 2008)

## Our contribution:

- Maximum entropy method
- Input covariance lags method
- Transportation distance method (Ning-Jiang-Georgiou, in press)



# Maximum likelihood method (Burg *et al.*, 1982)

- Information divergence between two Gaussian distribution  $p_{Q_1}, p_{Q_2}$  on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with zero mean and covariance  $Q_1, Q_2$

$$\mathbb{D}(Q_1 \| Q_2) := \frac{1}{2} [\log \det(Q_1^{-1} Q_2) + \text{Tr}(Q_1 Q_2^{-1}) - n]$$

## ML method

Given  $G(z)$  and  $\hat{\Sigma}_C = \sum_{k=1}^N x(k)x(k)^* > 0$ , compute

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{ML} := \underset{S > 0, S \in \text{Range } \Gamma}{\text{argmin}} \mathbb{D}(\hat{\Sigma}_C \| S)$$

- Numerical method for finding a local minimum is presented





# Maximum entropy method

## ME method

Given  $G(z)$  and  $\hat{\Sigma}_C \sum_{k=1}^N x(k)x(k)^* > 0$ , compute

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{ME} := \underset{S > 0, S \in \text{Range } \Gamma}{\text{argmin}} \mathbb{D}(S \| \hat{\Sigma}_C)$$

Constrained convex optimization problem!

- $S \in \text{Range } \Gamma$  iff  $\Pi_B^\perp (S - ASA^*) \Pi_B^\perp = 0$ ,  $\Pi_B^\perp = I - B(B^*B)^{-1}B^*$
- $\mathcal{L}_{\hat{\Sigma}_C}(S, \Lambda) = \mathbb{D}(S \| \hat{\Sigma}_C) + \text{Tr} [\Lambda \Pi_B^\perp (S - ASA^*) \Pi_B^\perp]$
- The optimal solution has the form  $\hat{\Sigma}_{ME}(\Lambda) = (\hat{\Sigma}_C^{-1} + 2Q_\Lambda)^{-1}$



# Maximum entropy method (cont'd)

## Dual problem

Find  $\Lambda^\circ$  by solving

$$\Lambda^\circ := \operatorname{argmax}_{\Lambda \in \mathcal{I}} \mathcal{L}_{\hat{\Sigma}_C}(\hat{\Sigma}_{ME}(\Lambda), \Lambda) = \operatorname{argmax}_{\Lambda \in \mathcal{I}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Tr} \log \left( \hat{\Sigma}_C^{-1} + 2Q_\Lambda \right) \right\},$$

$$\mathcal{I} = \{ \Lambda \in \mathcal{H}^{n \times n} \mid \hat{\Sigma}_{ME}(\Lambda) > 0 \}$$

- It can be proved that  $\Lambda^\circ$  exists
- $\Lambda^\circ$  can be computed via a globally convergent matricial Newton-like algorithm



# Input covariance lags method

- $G(z) = (zI - A)^{-1}B$
- $\Sigma$  is given by

$$\Sigma - A\Sigma A^* = A Q_R B^* + B Q_R A^* + B R_0 B^*$$

with  $Q_R := \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} A^{l-1} B R_l^*$ ,  $R_l := E[y_{k+l} y_k^*]$  (Georgiou, 2002).

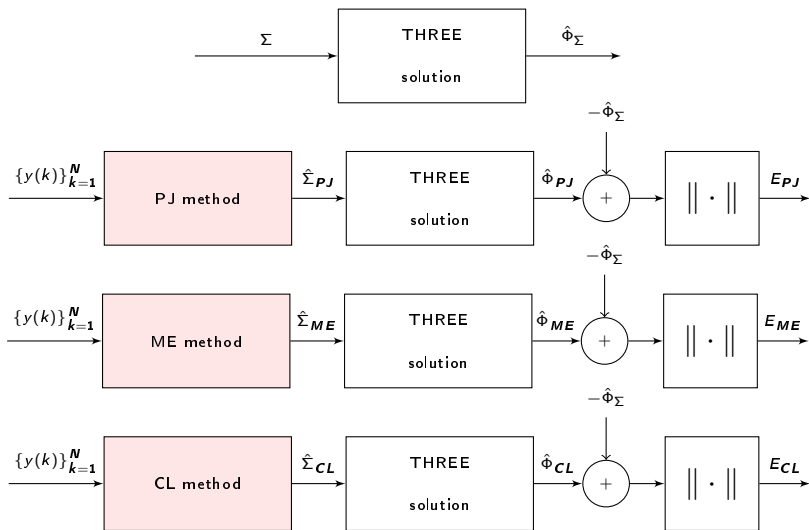
## CL method

An estimate  $\hat{\Sigma}_{CL} \geq 0$  of  $\Sigma$  is given by solving the Lyapunov equation

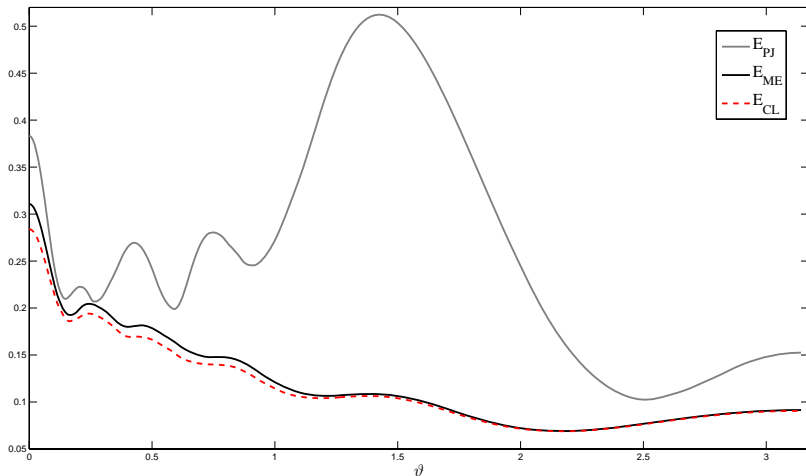
$$\hat{\Sigma}_{CL} - A \hat{\Sigma}_{CL} A^* = A Q_{\hat{R}} B^* + B Q_{\hat{R}} A^* + B \hat{R}_0 B^*$$

with  $\{\hat{R}_l\}_{l=-\infty}^{\infty}$  input covariance lags sequence estimated by employing the Blackman-Tukey method

# Estimated psd comparison

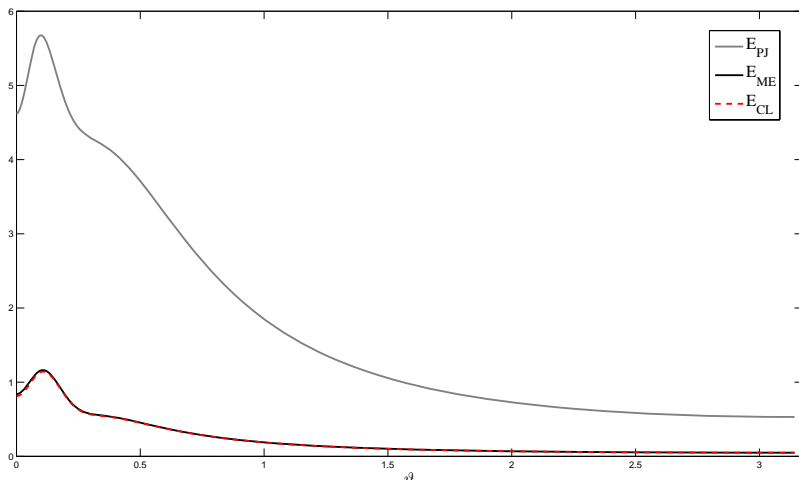


# Scalar process ( $m=1$ ) with THREE solution



Mean of the error norm comparison averaged over 500 experiments with  $N = 500$



Bivariate process ( $m=2$ ) with THREE solution

Mean of the error norm comparison averaged over 500 experiments with  $N = 500$

# Conclusions

- Psd estimation reliability strongly depends on the estimate of  $\Sigma$  (by employing THREE-like solutions)
- The ME and CL methods have been presented
- The ME and CL methods provide better performances than the PJ method in THREE-like spectral estimation paradigms



Thank you for your attention





## Other THREE-type solutions

- $G(z)$  Bank of filters
- $\Sigma$  Output covariance matrix of  $G$
- $\Psi(e^{j\vartheta})$  A priori power spectral density

### Entropic-type solution (Georgiou-Lindquist, 2003)

$$\hat{\Phi}_{KL-THREE}(e^{j\vartheta}) = \underset{\Phi \in \mathcal{S} : \int G\Phi G^*}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbb{D}_{KL}(\Psi \parallel \Phi) \quad \text{RATIONAL!}$$

- Kullback-Leibler divergence between power spectral densities

$$\mathbb{D}_{KL}(\Psi \parallel \Phi) = \int \Psi \log \left( \frac{\Psi}{\Phi} \right)$$



# Other THREE-type solutions (cont'd)

## Other divergences employed

- Hellinger distance (Ferrante-Pavon-Ramponi,2008)

$$\mathbb{D}_H(\Psi, \Phi) = [\inf \|W_\Psi - W_\Phi\|_2^2 : W_\Psi, W_\Phi \in L_2^{m \times m}, \\ W_\Psi W_\Psi^* = \Psi, W_\Phi W_\Phi^* = \Phi]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

- Relative entropy rate divergence (Ferrante-Masiero-Pavon,2012)

$$\mathbb{D}_{RER}(\Phi \parallel \Psi) = \frac{1}{2} \int \log \det(\Phi^{-1} \Psi) + \text{Tr}[\Psi^{-1}(\Phi - \Psi)]$$



# Other THREE-type solutions (cont'd)

Other divergences employed

- Beta divergence family (Zorzi, submitted, 2012)

$$\mathbb{D}_\beta(\Phi \parallel \Psi) = \text{Tr} \int \frac{1}{\beta - 1} (\Phi^\beta - \Phi \Psi^{\beta-1}) - \frac{1}{\beta} (\Phi^\beta - \Psi^\beta)$$

- Alpha divergence family (Zorzi, submitted, 2013)

$$\mathbb{D}_\alpha(\Phi \parallel \Psi) = \int \frac{1}{\alpha(\alpha - 1)} \Phi^\alpha \Psi^{1-\alpha} - \frac{1}{\alpha - 1} \Phi + \frac{1}{\alpha} \Psi$$



# Projection method (Ferrante *et al*, 2008)

- We can compute a basis of  $\text{Range } \Gamma$  (Georgiou, 2002)

## PJ method

Let  $\hat{\Sigma}_{\Gamma}$  be the projection of  $\hat{\Sigma}_C := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N x(k)x(k)^*$  onto  $\text{Range } \Gamma$ .  
Then,

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{PJ} := \hat{\Sigma}_{\Gamma} + \varepsilon \Sigma_+$$

with  $\varepsilon \geq 0$  so large that  $\hat{\Sigma}_{PJ} > 0$  and  $\Sigma_+ \in \text{Range } \Gamma$  positive definite

# Input covariance lags method

How to estimate  $Q_R$  and  $R_0$ ?

- Blackman-Tukey correlogram

$$\hat{R}_l = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N-l} y(k+l)y(k)^*, & 0 \leq l < L \\ 0_{m \times m}, & l \geq L \end{cases}$$

$$\rightarrow \hat{R}_0 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N y(k)y(k)^*$$

$$\rightarrow \hat{Q}_R = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \sum_{k=1}^{N-l} A^{l-1} B y(k) y(k+l)^*$$

The corresponding  $\hat{\Sigma}_{CL}$  is **positive semi-definite**

- CL method can be generalized to  $G(z) = (zI - A)^{-1}B + D$

# Transportation distance method (Ning *et. al*, in press)

- Transportation distance between two Gaussian distribution  $p_{Q_1}, p_{Q_2}$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with zero mean and covariance  $Q_1, Q_2$

$$\mathbb{D}_{TD}(Q_1, Q_2) = \min_T \left\{ \text{Tr}(Q_1 + Q_2 - T - T^*) \mid \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & T \\ T^* & Q_2 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0 \right\}$$

## TD method

Given  $G(z)$  and  $\hat{\Sigma}_C > 0$ , compute

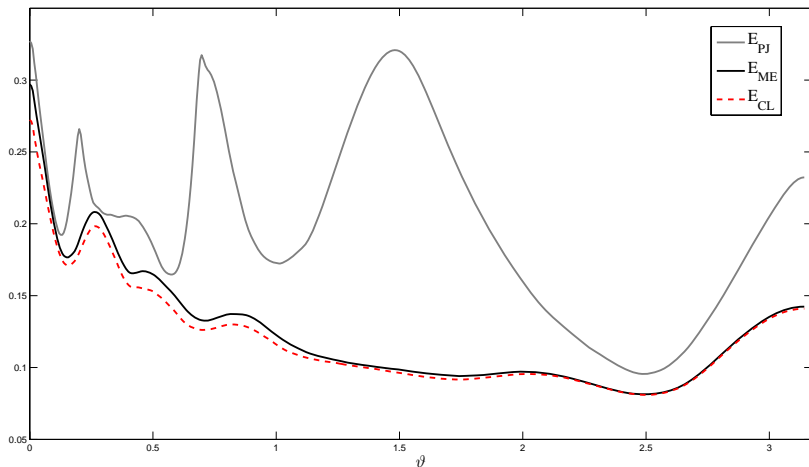
$$\hat{\Sigma}_{TD} := \underset{S > 0, S \in \text{Range } \Gamma}{\text{argmin}} \mathbb{D}_{TD}(\hat{\Sigma}_C, S)$$

# Relative matrix error norm comparison

- $N$  sample length
- $\mu$  mean of the relative matrix error norm  $e := \frac{\|\hat{\Sigma} - \Sigma\|}{\|\Sigma\|}$
- $\sigma$  variance of the relative error norm  $e$
- $\#F$  times that the projection  $\Sigma_{\Gamma} \neq 0$

$N$	$\mu_{CL}$	$\mu_{PJ}$	$\mu_{ME}$	$\sigma_{CL}^2$	$\sigma_{PJ}^2$	$\sigma_{ME}^2$	$\#F$
300	0.18	0.81	0.18	0.018	2.65	0.02	73
500	0.16	0.47	0.15	0.013	1.37	0.013	37
700	0.13	0.29	0.13	0.001	0.74	0.009	18

# Scalar process ( $m=1$ ) with KL-THREE solution

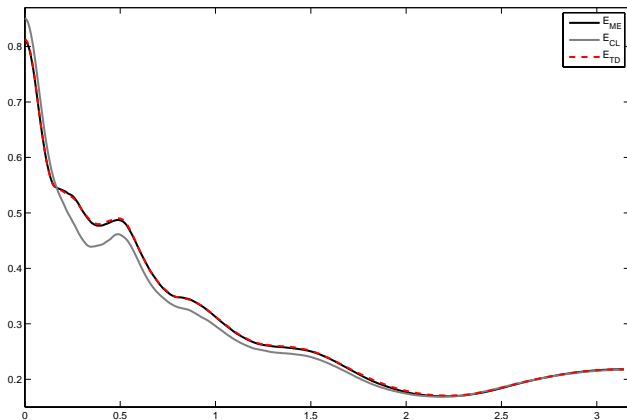


Mean of the error norm comparison averaged over 500 experiments with  $N = 500$



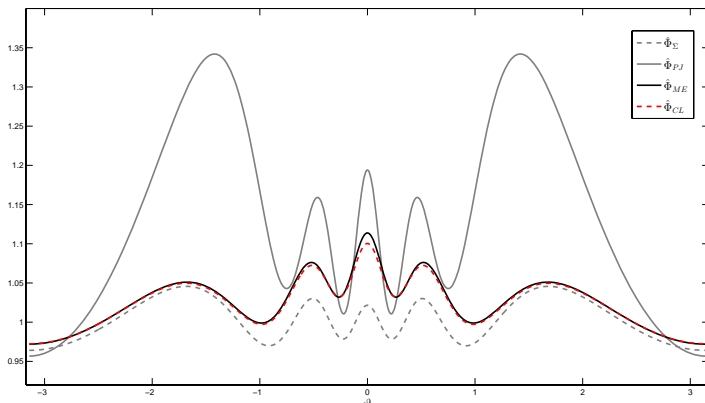


# Further simulation results: scalar process ( $m=1$ ) with THREE solution



Mean of the error norm comparison averaged over 500 experiments with  $N = 100$

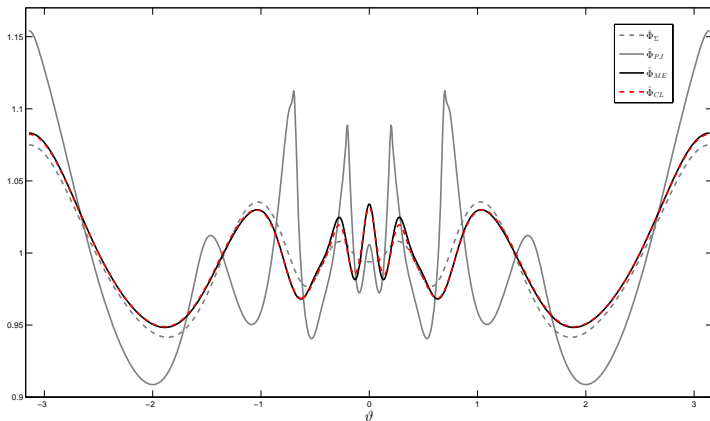
# Further simulation results: Scalar process ( $m=1$ ) with THREE solution



Mean spectra comparison averaged over 500 experiments with  $N = 500$

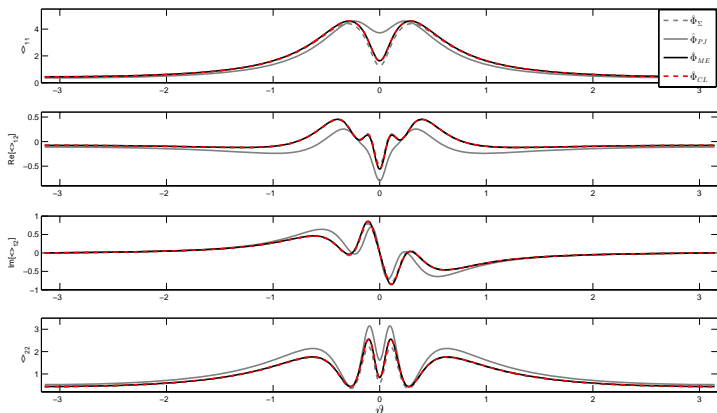


# Further simulation results: Scalar process ( $m=1$ ) with KL-THREE solution



Mean spectra comparison averaged over 500 experiments with  $N = 500$

# Further simulation results: Bivariate process (m=2) with THREE solution



Mean spectra comparison averaged over 500 experiments

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