

Investigating Higher Order Statistics and Gaussianity

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Synopsis

• Introduction to Higher Order Statistics

- » 1D: Correlation, Coherence, Power Spectra
- » 2D: Bicorrelation, Bicoherence, Bispectrum
- » 3D...
- Bispectrum diagnostic
- Gaussianity Test
- Linearity Test



What are Higher Order Statistics?

• 1D Statistics:

» Correlation:
$$C_{xy}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) y(t+\tau) d\tau \iff X(f) Y^*(f) = S_{xy}(f)$$

» Power Spectral Density:
$$C_{2x}(t) \iff X(f) X^*(f) = S_{2x}(f)$$

» Coherence:
$$C_{xy}(f) = \frac{S_{xy}(f)}{\sqrt{S_{2x}(f) S_{2y}(f)}}$$

- Tells us power and phase coherence at a given frequency

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Second Order Statistics

• 2D Statistics:

- » Cumulant: $C_{xyz}(t,t') = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\tau) y(t+\tau) z(t'+\tau) d\tau \iff X(f_1) Y(f_2) Z^*(f_1+f_2) = S_{xyz}(f_1,f_2)$
- » Bispectral Density:

$$C_{3x}(t) \iff X(f_1) X(f_2) X^*(f_1 + f_2) = S_{3x}(f_1, f_2)$$

» Bicoherence:

$$\mathbf{C}_{xyz}(f) = \frac{S_{xyz}(f_1, f_2)}{\sqrt{S_{2x}(f_1) S_{2y}(f_2) S_{2z}(f_1, f_2)}}$$

- Tells us power and phase coherence at a coupled frequency

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Zero-lag Cumulants

Mean	Variance	Skewness	Kurtosis
$C_x(0)$	$C_{2x}(0)$	$C_{3x}(0)$	$C_{4x}(0)$
		0 if Symmetric	0 if Gaussian

Useful statictical values, but... Skewness = 0 does not prove symmetry Kurtosis = 0 does not prove Gaussianity Variations in skew and kurtosis not well quantified.



Why Higher Order Statistics?

• For a Gaussian process: $C_{nx}(t) = 0$, for n > 2

• For independent processes:

$$z(t) = x(t) + y(t), \quad C_{nz}(t) = C_{nx}(t) + C_{ny}(t) \xrightarrow{n>2} C_{ny}(t)$$

- Allows for separation of Gaussian process for n>2
 - » Visual check of frequency coupling and phase noise
 - » Statistical test for the probability of gaussianity and linearity
 - » Iterative process to reconstruct nongaussian signal from the higher order cumulants



Gaussianity Monitor

- Diagnostic Plot:
 - » Time series, Power spectrum, Two perspectives of the histogram of time series with gaussian fit
- Bispectrum and Bicoherence Plot
- Gaussianity test: $\int C_{3x}(f_1, f_2) d\Omega_U = \chi^2_{2D}$
- Summary file:
 - » Frame, channel, mean, variance, skew, kurtosis, gaussianity probability



Bispectrum Unique Area











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Status and Conclusions

- Using the HOSA package in Matlab was not practical. We needed a monitor running in DMT.
- Old Bispectral algorithm *extremely* slow (100*realtime)
- New algorithm using FFTW appears to be near realtime
- Now we can analyze some data!!
- Upcoming additions:
 - » Better windowing
 - » User selectable time interval
 - » Record # events above user selected σ limit
 - » Plot/Set reference distribution for each channel.
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