### Problem

Current formula

Alternative formula

$$\sigma_{\omega}^2 = \frac{24}{K(PT)^2}$$

$$\sigma_{\hat{\omega}}^2 = \frac{24}{KT^2} \cdot \left(\frac{\sigma_{\epsilon}}{N_0 P}\right)^2$$

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# Derivation: log-likelihood

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$$N(t) = N_0 (1 + P \sin(\omega t + \varphi)) \qquad \text{Expectation value} \qquad \mu(t_i) = N_0 (1 + P \sin(\omega t_i + \varphi))$$
(structural model)

Probability distribution (probabilistic model)

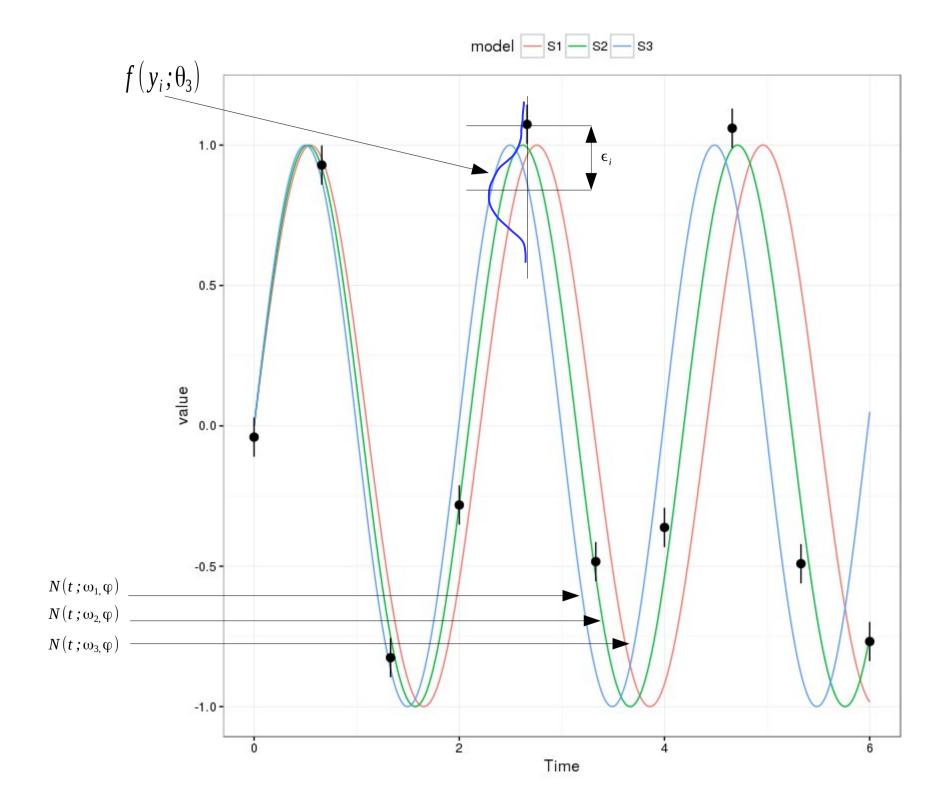
$$f(y_i; \theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \nu}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(y_i - \mu(t_i))^2}{\nu}\right)$$

$$\theta \equiv (v, \omega, \varphi)$$

$$\log L = \sum_{i} \log \left( N_0 (1 + P \sin(\omega t_i + \varphi)) \right) \quad \log L(\theta; \vec{y}) = \prod_{i} f(y_i; \theta) = -\frac{K}{2} \log 2\pi - \frac{K}{2} \log 2\pi - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} \epsilon_i^2$$

**Error term** 

$$\epsilon_i \equiv y_i - \mu(t_i)$$



## MLE procedure

- First derivatives of log L
- Second derivatives
- Expectations of second derivatives
- The Fisher matrix
- The variance-covariance matrix

#### The variance-covariance matrix

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$$cov(\omega,\varphi) = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{24}{K(PT)^{2}} & \frac{12}{KP^{2}T} \\ \frac{12}{KP^{2}T} & \frac{8}{KP^{2}} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$vcov(\hat{\mathbf{v}},\hat{\omega},\hat{\varphi}) = \begin{vmatrix} 2\sqrt{K} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{N}}{2}\sum_{i}(\mu'_{\varphi}(t_{i}))^{2} & \frac{\sqrt{N}}{2}\sum_{i}t_{i}(\mu'_{\varphi}(t_{i}))^{2} \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{N}}{2}\sum_{i}t_{i}(\mu'_{\varphi}(t_{i}))^{2} & \frac{\sqrt{N}}{2}\sum_{i}(t_{i}\mu'_{\varphi}(t_{i}))^{2} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\Omega = \frac{2v^2}{K} |I(\theta_0)|$$

#### The alternative SF

Sinusoidal model

 Linear regression cross-check

$$(\mu'_{\varphi}(t_i))^2 = (N_0 P)^2 \cos^2(\omega t_i + \varphi) \equiv x_i \qquad \mu(t_i) = \omega t_i + \varphi$$

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$$\sigma_{\hat{\omega}}^2 = \frac{v}{\sum_j x_j \sum_i w_i (t_i - \langle t \rangle_w)^2}$$

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$$w_i = \frac{X_i}{\sum_j X_j}$$

## Uniform sampling $\Delta t$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{K} x_{j} = \frac{1}{2} (N_{0} P)^{2} \cdot K$$

$$\sigma_{\hat{\omega}}^2 = \frac{v}{\sum_j x_j \sum_i w_i (t_i - \langle t \rangle_w)^2}$$

$$\sum_{i} (t_{i} - \langle t \rangle_{w})^{2} w_{i} \approx \frac{(\Delta t K)^{2}}{12} = \frac{T^{2}}{12}$$

$$\sigma_{\hat{\omega}}^2 = \frac{24}{KT^2} \cdot \left(\frac{\sigma_{\epsilon}}{N_0 P}\right)^2$$