

Causality

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- Hypothesis testing:

$$H_0 : b_{2k} = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, L\}$$

$$G = \frac{\frac{R_2 - R_1}{L}}{\frac{R_1}{N - 2L}} \sim F_{L, N - 2L}$$

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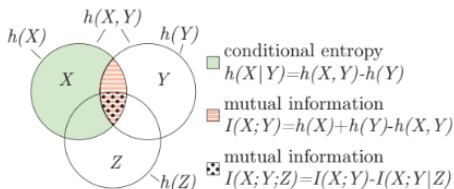
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$$T_{X \rightarrow Y}^t \equiv I(Y_t; X_{t-1} | Y_{t-1}) \geq 0$$

$$Y_t = f(X_{t-1}) + f(Y_{t-1}) + \varepsilon_t$$

General (k, ℓ) – History Definition of Transfer Entropy

- General Transfer Entropy:

$$T_{X \rightarrow Y}^{(K, \ell)} \equiv I(Y_t; X_{t-1}^\ell | Y_{t-1}^k)$$

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- Multivariate Transfer Entropy:

$$T_{X \rightarrow Y|Z}^{(K, \ell, m)} \equiv I(Y_t; X_{t-1}^\ell | Y_{t-1}^k, Z_{t-1}^m)$$

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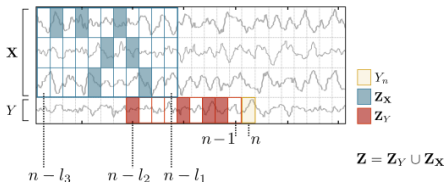
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- 4 Prune Z : Test and remove redundant variables in Z using the minimum statistic.

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- 5 Perform statistical tests on the final set Z :
 - Perform an omnibus test to test the collective information transfer from all the relevant (informative) source variables to the target: $I(Y_n; Z_X | Z_Y)$.
 - If the omnibus test is significant, perform a sequential maximum statistic on each selected variable $z \in Z$ to obtain each variable's final information contribution and p-value.



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Conclusion

- Granger causality is particularly well-suited for analyzing linear time series data.
- Transfer entropy, being a non-parametric method, is versatile and effective for both linear and non-linear time series analysis.

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