Problem 2

Part a) A square $N \times N$ matrix G is invertible if for every $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ there is exactly one $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ such that $G\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$. Show that if G is invertible if and only if its columns are linearly independent and $G\mathbf{x} \neq 0$ for all $\mathbf{x} \neq 0$

Let G be invertible. If the columns of G are not linearly independent, then $\exists v$ such that Gv = 0, $v \neq 0$. (This is because a linear combination of columns of G, $\sum_i g_i v_i$ can be expressed as Gv). Since Gx = 0 is also true for x = 0, there are two solutions to the equation Gx = 0, v and v. This contradicts the assumption that v is invertible. Hence, columns of v are linearly independent and v is v for all v in v for all v for all v in v for all v for all

Part b) Let $\psi_1(t), \ldots, \psi_N(t)$ be signals in $L_2([0,1])$. Show that if the $N \times N$ Gramian

$$m{G} = egin{bmatrix} \langle m{\psi}_1, m{\psi}_1
angle & \langle m{\psi}_2, m{\psi}_1
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angle \end{bmatrix}$$

is invertible if and only if the $\{\psi_n\}$ are linearly independent. (It is helpful to realize that since G is square, it is invertible if and only if $Gx \neq 0$ for all $x \neq 0$.)

We first show that G is invertible \Rightarrow the $\{\psi_n\}$ are linearly independent. We do this using the contrapositive: we will show that if the $\{\psi_n\}$ are *not* linearly independent, then G is *not* invertible. Suppose that there exists $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_N$, such that

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eq oldsymbol{0}, \quad ext{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^N lpha_n \psi_n(t) = 0 \quad ext{for all } t \in [0,1].$$

Then

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and so G is not invertible.

Now we show that the $\{\psi_n\}$ are linearly independent $\Rightarrow G$ is invertible. We again do this with the contrapositive, showing that if G is not invertible, then the $\{\psi_n\}$ cannot be linearly independent. Suppose there is an $x \neq 0$ but Gx = 0. Consider the signal

$$z(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{N} x_k \psi_k(t),$$

where the coefficients x_k are the entries of x. Since Gx = 0,

$$\langle \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{\psi}_n \rangle = \langle \sum_{k=1}^N x_k \boldsymbol{\psi}_k, \boldsymbol{\psi}_n \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^N \langle \boldsymbol{\psi}_k, \boldsymbol{\psi}_n \rangle x_k = (\boldsymbol{G}\boldsymbol{x})_n = 0 \text{ for all } n = 1, \dots, N.$$

Thus z is orthogonal to all of the ψ_n . But then

$$\langle \boldsymbol{z}, \boldsymbol{z} \rangle = \langle \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_n \boldsymbol{\psi}_n, \boldsymbol{z} \rangle = \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_n \langle \boldsymbol{\psi}_n, \boldsymbol{z} \rangle = 0,$$

and so, by the definition of inner product, it must be the case that z = 0, i.e.

$$z(t) = 0 \quad \text{for all} \ \ t \in [0, 1].$$

Thus the $\{\psi_n\}$ are not linearly independent.

Problem 3

In this problem, we will develop the computational framework for approximating a continuous-time signal on [0, 1] using scaled and shifted versions of the classic bell-curve bump:

$$\phi(t) = e^{-t^2}.$$

Fix an integer N > 0 and define $\phi_k(t)$ as

$$\phi_k(t) = \phi(\frac{t - (k - 1/2)/N}{1/N}) = \phi(Nt - k + 1/2)$$

for $k = 1, 2, \dots, N$. The $\phi_k(t)$ are a basis for the subspace

$$T_N = \text{Span} \{ \phi_k(t) \}_{k=1}^N$$
.

a. For a fixed value of N, we can plot all the $\phi_k(t)$ on the same set of axes in MATLAB using:

$$\begin{array}{l} phi = @(z) \; exp(-z.^2);\\ t = linspace(0,1,\; 1000);\\ figure(1);\; clf\\ hold\; on\\ for\; kk = 1:N\\ plot(t,\; phi(N^*t - kk + 1/2));\\ end \end{array}$$

Do this for N = 10 and N = 25 and turn in your plots.

b. Since $\phi_k(t)$ is a basis for T_N , we can write any $y(t) \in T_N$ as

$$y(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{N} a_k \phi_k(t)$$

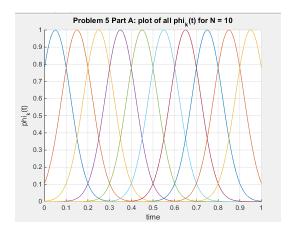


Figure 1: Problem 3, Part A: $\phi_k(t)$ for N=10

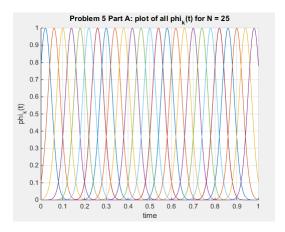


Figure 2: Problem 3, Part A: $\phi_k(t)$ for N=25

for some set of coefficients $a_1, \ldots, a_N \in \mathbb{R}^N$. If these coefficients are stacked in an N-vector \boldsymbol{a} in MATLAB, we can plot y(t) using

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\begin{split} t &= linspace(0,1,1000);\\ y &= zeros(size(t));\\ for jj &= 1:N\\ y &= y + a(jj)*phi(N*t - jj + 1/2);\\ end\\ plot(t, y); \end{split}
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Do this for N = 4, and $a_1 = 1$, $a_2 = -1$, $a_3 = 1$, $a_4 = -1$ and turn in your plot.

c. Define the continuous-time signal x(t) on [0,1] as

$$x(t) = \begin{cases} 4t & 0 \le t < 1/4 \\ -4t + 2 & 1/4 \le t < 1/2 \\ -\sin(20\pi t) & 1/2 \le t \le 1 \end{cases}$$

Write MATLAB code that finds the closest point $\hat{x}(t)$ in T_N to x(t) for any fixed N. By

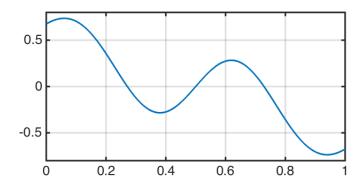


Figure 3: Problem 3, Part B: y(t) for N = 4, $a = [1, -1, 1, 1]^T$

"closest point", we mean that $\hat{x}(t)$ is the solution to

$$\min_{y \in T_N} \|x(t) - y(t)\|_{L_2([0,1])}.$$

Turn in your code and four plots; one of which has x(t) and $\hat{x}(t)$ plotted on the same set of axes for N = 5, and then repeat for N = 10, 20, and 50.

Hint: You can create a function pointer for x(t) in MATLAB using

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x = 0(z) (z < 1/4).*(4*z) + (z>=1/4).*(z<1/2).*(-4*z+2) - (z>=1/2).*sin(20*pi*z);
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OR in python using

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x = lambda z: (z < .25)*(4*z) + (z >= 0.25)*(z < 0.5)*(-4*z+2) - (z>= 0.5)*np.sin(20*np.pi*z)
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and then calculate the continuous-time inner product $\langle x, \phi_k \rangle$ in MATLAB with

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x_{phik} = @(z) x(z).*phi(N*z - jj + 1/2);
integral(x_phik, 0, 1)
```

OR in Python with

```
import scipy.integrate as integrate
x_phik = lambda z: x(z)*phi(N*z - jj + 0.5)
integrate.quad(x_phik, 0, 1)
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You can use similar code to calculate the entries of the Gram matrix $\langle \phi_j, \phi_k \rangle$. (There is actually a not-that-hard way to calculate the $\langle \phi_j, \phi_k \rangle$ analytically that you can derive if you are feeling industrious — just think about what happens when you convolve a bump with itself.)

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phi = @(z) \exp(-z.^2);

t = linspace(0, 1, 1000);

x = @(z) (z < 1/4).*(4*z) + (z>=1/4).*(z<1/2).*(-4*z+2) ...
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- (z > = 1/2).*sin(20*pi*z);
N = 50; \% N = 25;
G = zeros(N);
b = zeros(N,1);
for jj = 1:N
for kk = 1:N
G(jj,kk) = integral(@(z) phi(N*z - jj + 1/2).*phi(N*z - kk + 1/2),0|1);
end
b(jj) = integral(@(z) phi(N*z - jj + 1/2).*x(z), 0, 1);
\mathbf{end}
a = G \backslash b;
xhat = zeros(size(t));
\mathbf{for} \hspace{0.2cm} \mathtt{j} \hspace{0.2cm} \mathtt{j} \hspace{0.2cm} = \hspace{0.2cm} 1 \hspace{0.2cm} \mathtt{:} \hspace{0.2cm} \mathrm{N}
xhat = xhat + a(jj)*phi(N*t - jj + 1/2);
end
figure
hold on
plot(t, xhat);
plot(t, x(t), 'r')
title (sprintf('Problem_3_Part_C:_plot_of_x_hat(t)_for_N_=_%d',N));
legend('x_hat(t)', 'x(t)');
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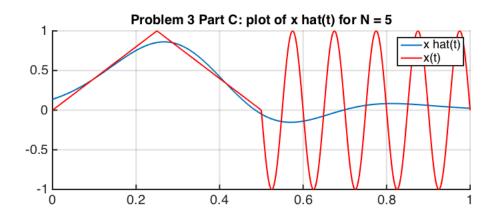


Figure 4: Problem 3, Part C: $\hat{x}(t)$ and x(t) for N = 5



Figure 5: Problem 3, Part C: $\hat{x}(t)$ and x(t) for N = 10

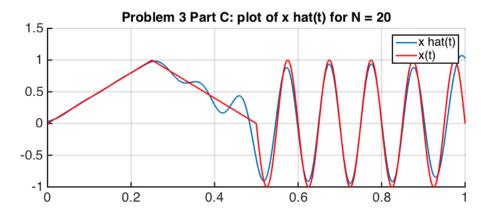


Figure 6: Problem 3, Part C: $\hat{x}(t)$ and x(t) for N = 20



Figure 7: Problem 3, Part C: $\hat{x}(t)$ and x(t) for N = 50

Problem 4

Considering calculating the matching error in a different way. The norm we use to measure the error is

$$||x - \hat{x}||_S^2 = \int_1^0 w(t)|x - \hat{x}|^2 dt$$

where

$$w(t) = 16(t - 1/2)^2$$

a. Plot w(t) and argue that measuring the error in this way will penalize mismatch at the ends of the interval than in the middle.

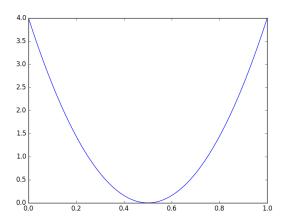


Figure 8: Problem 4, Part a

This error measurement can be viewed as the weighted L_2 norm, and the weights change depending on the location t. The parabola shape of W(t) adds larger penalty weights at the ends of the interval.

b. Write down the inner product that induces $||\cdot||_S$.

$$\langle x, y \rangle_S = \int_1^0 16(t - 1/2)^2 x(t)y(t)dt$$

And it is easy to verify that the above expression is indeed a valid inner product.

c. Find the second order polynomial that is the best approximation to e^t in the $||\cdot||_S$ norm.

Let's set up the Grammian system using the newly defined inner product in part b.

$$G_{1,1} = \int_{1}^{0} w(t)t^{0}t^{0}dt = 1.3333 \quad G_{1,2} = \int_{1}^{0} w(t)t^{0}t^{1}dt = 0.6667 \quad G_{1,3} = \int_{1}^{0} w(t)t^{0}t^{2}dt = 0.5333$$

$$G_{2,2} = \int_{1}^{0} w(t)t^{1}t^{1}dt = 0.5333 \quad G_{2,3} = \int_{1}^{0} w(t)t^{1}t^{2}dt = 0.4667$$

$$G_{3,3} = \int_{1}^{0} w(t)t^{2}t^{2}dt = 0.4190$$

$$b_{1} = \int_{1}^{0} w(t)e^{t}t^{0}dt = 2.3656 \quad b_{2} = \int_{1}^{0} w(t)e^{t}t^{1}dt = 1.5225 \quad b_{3} = \int_{1}^{0} w(t)e^{t}t^{2}dt = 1.2907$$

$$a = G^{-1}b = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0095 \\ 0.8547 \\ 0.8436 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{x}(t) = 1.0095 + 0.8547t + 0.8436t^2$$

We can plot the this newly fitted curve together with the one fitted with L_2 norm and notice that better fitting is achieved at the end of the interval.

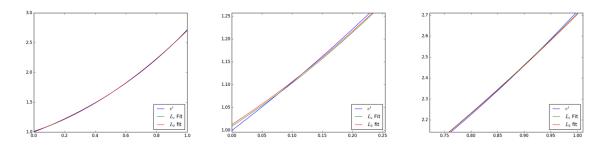


Figure 9: Problem 4, Part c, fitted curve and zoomed in at both intervals

Problem 5

Let G_1 , G_2 , and G_3 be zero-mean Gaussian random variables with matrix R:

$$R_{i,j} = \mathbb{E}[G_i G_j].$$

Define $S = \operatorname{Span} G_1, G_2, G_3$. That is, S contains all the random variables X that can be written as $X = a_1G_1 + a_2G_2 + a_3G_3$ for some $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{R}$. It should be clear that all the elements of S are also zero-mean Gaussian random variables.

- a. Show that $\langle X, Y \rangle = E[XY]$ is a valid inner product on the vector space \mathcal{S} . Defend the terminology "root mean-square error" (RMSE) for the distanced induced by this inner product.
 - (a) Conjugate symmetry property $(\langle x, y \rangle = \overline{\langle y, x \rangle})$:

$$\langle X,Y\rangle=\mathrm{E}[XY]=\mathrm{E}[\overline{YX}]=\overline{\mathrm{E}[YX]}=\overline{\langle Y,X\rangle}$$

(b) Linearity property $(\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}, \langle a\boldsymbol{x} + b\boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{z} \rangle = a\langle \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{z} \rangle + b\langle \boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{z} \rangle)$:

$$\langle aX_1+bX_2,Y\rangle=\mathrm{E}[(aX_1+bX_2)Y]=\mathrm{E}[aX_1Y+bX_2Y]=a\,\mathrm{E}[X_1Y]+b\,\mathrm{E}[X_2Y]=a\langle X_1,Y\rangle+b\langle X_2,Y\rangle$$

(c) Positive definiteness property ($\langle x, x \rangle \ge 0$ with equality iff x = 0):

$$\langle X, X \rangle = \mathrm{E}[XX] = \mathrm{E}[X^2] \ge 0$$

$$X = 0 \implies \mathrm{E}[X^2] = 0$$

$$\mathrm{E}[X^2] = 0 \implies X = 0$$

(A zero-mean Gaussian random variable with a variance of zero is unique.)

b. Suppose that $X = a_1G_1 + a_2G_2 + a_3G_3$ and $Y = b_1G_1 + b_2G_2 + b_3G_3$. Show that $\langle X, Y \rangle = a^T R b$, where $a = [a_1a_2a_3]^T$ and $b = [b_1b_2b_3]^T$.

$$X = a_1G_1 + a_2G_2 + a_3G_3$$

$$Y = b_1G_1 + b_2G_2 + b_3G_3$$

$$\langle X, Y \rangle = \mathrm{E}[XY] = \mathrm{E}[(a_1G_1 + a_2G_2 + a_3G_3)(b_1G_1 + b_2G_2 + b_3G_3)]$$

$$\boldsymbol{a} = [a_1 \quad a_2 \quad a_3]^T \quad \boldsymbol{G} = [G_1 \quad G_2 \quad G_3] \quad \boldsymbol{b} = [b_1 \quad b_2 \quad b_3]$$

$$\mathrm{E}[(a_1G_1 + a_2G_2 + a_3G_3)(b_1G_1 + b_2G_2 + b_3G_3)] = \mathrm{E}[(\boldsymbol{a}^T\boldsymbol{G})(\boldsymbol{G}^T\boldsymbol{b})]$$

$$\mathrm{E}[(\boldsymbol{a}^T\boldsymbol{G})(\boldsymbol{G}^T\boldsymbol{b})] = \mathrm{E}[\boldsymbol{a}^T\boldsymbol{G}\boldsymbol{G}^T\boldsymbol{b}] = \boldsymbol{a}^T\mathrm{E}[\boldsymbol{G}\boldsymbol{G}^T]\boldsymbol{b} = \boldsymbol{a}^T\boldsymbol{R}\boldsymbol{b}$$
So, $\langle X, Y \rangle = \mathrm{E}[XY] = \boldsymbol{a}^T\boldsymbol{R}\boldsymbol{b}$.

c. Let

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.4 & -0.2 \\ 0.4 & 1 & 0.4 \\ -0.2 & 0.4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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and let $X = G_1$, $Y = G_2$, $Z = G_1 + G_2 + G_3$. Now suppose we observe particular values for X and Y, say X = x and Y = y. As all three random variables are related to one another, those observations give us some information about the value of Z. Here we will consider *linear predictors*: estimates of Z that are linear combinations of the observations; such estimates have the form

$$\hat{Z} = \alpha_1 X + \alpha_2 Y \qquad \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Find the best linear predictor of Z. That is, find α_1, α_2 so that the mean-square error $E[(Z-\hat{Z})^2]$ is minimized. Also calculate the actual value of the mean-square error for the best α_1, α_2 . You will want to set this up as an "approximation in a subspace" problem. You also might want to use MATLAB to do some of the calculations.

We will find the best linear predictor for Z using the Gram matrix of the basis $\{X,Y\}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \langle X, X \rangle & \langle X, Y \rangle \\ \langle Y, X \rangle & \langle Y, Y \rangle \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle Z, X \rangle \\ \langle Z, Y \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

Substituting $X = G_1$, $Y = G_2$, and $Z = G_1 + G_2 + G_3$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \langle G_1, G_1 \rangle & \langle G_1, G_2 \rangle \\ \langle G_2, G_1 \rangle & \langle G_2, G_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \langle G_1 + G_2 + G_3, G_1 \rangle \\ \langle G_1 + G_2 + G_3, G_2 \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathrm{E}[G_1G_1] & \mathrm{E}[G_1G_2] \\ \mathrm{E}[G_2G_1] & \mathrm{E}[G_2,G_2] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathrm{E}[(G_1+G_2+G_3)G_1] \\ \mathrm{E}[(G_1+G_2+G_3)G_2] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathrm{E}[(G_1G_1)] + \mathrm{E}[G_2G_1] + \mathrm{E}[G_3G_1] \\ \mathrm{E}[G_1G_2] + \mathrm{E}[G_2G_2] + \mathrm{E}[G_3G_2] \end{bmatrix}$$

Substituting $R_{i,j} = E[G_iG_j]$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_{1,1} & R_{1,2} \\ R_{2,1} & R_{2,2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{1,1} + R_{2,1} + R_{3,1} \\ R_{1,2} + R_{2,2} + R_{3,2} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.4 \\ 0.4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.2 \\ 1.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

So we see that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5714 \\ 1.5714 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, we can calculate the mean-square error.

$$Z = G_1 + G_2 + G_3 \quad \hat{Z} = \alpha_1 G_1 + \alpha_2 G_2$$

$$E[(Z - \hat{Z})^2] = \langle Z - \hat{Z}, Z - \hat{Z} \rangle = [(1 - \alpha_1) \quad (1 - \alpha_2) \quad 1] \mathbf{R} [(1 - \alpha_1) \quad (1 - \alpha_2) \quad 1]^T$$

$$E[(Z - \hat{Z})^2] = 0.6857$$

d. Now suppose $X = a_1G_2 + a_2G_2 + a_3G_3$, $Y = b_1G_1 + b_2G_2 + b_3G_3$, and $Z = c_1G_1 + c_2G_2 + c_3G_3$. Write a MATLAB script that takes \mathbf{R} , \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} , and \mathbf{c} as arguments and returns the values of α_1 and α_2 that minimized $\mathrm{E}[(Z - \hat{Z})^2]$ and the value of the mean-square error for these α_i . Turn in a copy of your code.

function [alpha,mse] = linpred(R, a, b, c)

$$g11 = a'*R*a;$$

$$g12 = b'*R*a;$$

$$g21 = a'*R*b;$$

$$g22 = b'*R*b;$$

$$G = [g11 g12; g21 g22];$$

$$rhs = [c'*R*a; c'*R*b];$$

$$alpha = inv(G)*rhs;$$

$$ev = c - alpha(1)*a - alpha(2)*b;$$

$$mse = ev'*R*ev;$$

e. Try your function out on

$$X = G_1 + 2G_2 + G_3/6$$
 $Y = G_1/4 + 5G_2/2 + 2G_3$ and $Z = G_1 + G_2 + G_3$,

and the covariance matrix \mathbf{R} in (1). The file hw3problem4.mat contains three arrays X, Y, Z that consist of 1000 realizations of each of these random variables. Form Zhat = alpha1*X + alpha2*Y; and compute the sample MSE using mean((Z-Zhat).^2);. How does it compare to the value your function returned? Finally, does the MSE compare favorably with the variance of Z?

$$R = [1 .4 -.2; .4 1 .4; -.2 .4 1];$$

$$a = [1 2 1/6]';$$

$$b = [1/4 5/2 2]';$$

$$c = [1 1 1]';$$

load hw3problem4.mat

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 \begin{split} [alpha,mse] &= linpred(R,\,a,\,b,\,c) \\ Zhat &= alpha(1)*X + alpha(2)*Y; \\ mseSample &= mean((Z-Zhat).^2) \\ varZsample &= var(Z,1,2) \end{split}
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Results:

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alpha = [0.4313 \quad 0.2524]^T

mse = 0.2260

mseSample = 0.2249

varZsample = 4.2643
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The MSE from our calculations closely matches the sample MSE. The MSE is significantly less than the variance of Z.