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proposal_function_definition.mr_estimator(activity_matrix, k_limits, bootstrap-
ping=False, fitting_function=None,
method_slopes=None, subtr_trial_avg=False,
perform_statistical_tests=False, plot=None)
```

Estimates the MR Estimator from the activity matrix

#### **Parameters**

- **activity\_matrix** (A (n, T) shaped array) contains the activity which ones want to analyze. The first dimension denotes the trials, the second the time
- bootstrapping (bool or int, optional) Number of times, m, bootstrapping samples are taken from the trials in order to get a distribution of the parameters. Defaults to False in which case no bootstrapping is performed.
- fitting\_function ({"exponential", "exponential\_with\_offset", "complex"}, optional) Name of the fitting function used to fit the correlation plot. Defaults to "exponential".
- method\_slopes ({"separate trials", "concatenate trials"},
   optional) Whether to calculate the autocorrelation function over each trial, which
   induces a bias when the trial are too short (the default) or over the all trials, which leads to
   an offset when the activity is not constant.
- **subtr\_trial\_avg** (bool, optional) whether to subtract the mean activity over the trials before calculating the autocorrelation plot.
- perform\_statistical\_tests (bool, optional) whether to perform statistical tests to ensure the validity of the estimator. If the tests aren't passed, it raises a Error with the name of the test which wasn't passed.
- plot (str, optional) path for autocorrelation plots to be saved.

#### Returns

- **estimated\_parameters** (*A* (*w*)-*shaped array*) The w estimated parameters of the fitted function. When fitting function is exponential: [m, A], exponential\_with\_offset: [m, A, O], complex: [.....]
- **bootstrapped\_parameters** (*A* (*m*, *w*)-*shaped array*) The resulting parameters of the bootstrapping. When bootstrapping is None, this return value is missing.

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