

# Supplementary materials for the main submission entitled - A new metric for automatic discovery of periodic patterns in time series

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## 1 Recalling notations

Consider two cyclic granularities  $A$  and  $B$ , such that  $A = \{a_j : j = 1, 2, \dots, J\}$  and  $B = \{b_k : k = 1, 2, \dots, K\}$  with  $A$  placed across x-axis and  $B$  across facets. Let  $v = \{v_t : t = 0, 1, 2, \dots, T - 1\}$  be a continuous measured variable observed across  $T$  time points. The pairwise distances between pairs  $(a_j b_k, a'_j b'_k)$  could be within-facets or within-facets as seen in Figure 4 of the main paper. Let the four elementary designs be  $D_{null}$  where there is no pairwise difference in distribution of  $v$  across  $A$  or  $B$ ,  $D_{var_f}$  denotes the set of designs where there is difference in distribution of  $v$  for  $B$  and not for  $A$ . Similarly,  $D_{var_x}$  denotes the set of designs where difference is observed only across  $A$ . Finally,  $D_{var_{all}}$  denotes those designs for which difference is observed across both  $A$  and  $B$ . The following method is deployed for generating different distributions across different combinations for non-null designs - suppose the distribution of the combination of first levels of  $x$  and facet category is  $N(\mu, \sigma)$  and  $\mu_{jk}$  denotes the mean of the combination  $(a_j b_k)$ , then  $\mu_{j.} = \mu + j\omega$  (for design  $D_{var_x}$ ) and  $\mu_{.k} = \mu + k\omega$  (for design  $D_{var_f}$ ). Table 1 shows an example of how initial distributions are assigned in a panel with  $n_{facet} = 3$  and  $n_x = 2$  for different designs using  $\omega = 1$ .

## 2 Behavior of raw weighted distance measure

### 2.1 Tuning parameter

How does the tuning parameter affects the value of  $wpd$  under different designs? The tuning parameter is used to put relative weight-age to the difference in distributions within and between facets. So it is interesting to see how the value of  $wpd$  changes for these two designs. But the tuning parameter might have a different impact depending on the value of  $\omega$  and different levels of  $x$  and facets. Hence, a simulation study is conducted to see the impact of  $\omega$ ,  $n_x$ ,  $n_{facet}$  and  $\lambda$  together on the values of  $n_x$  and  $n_{facet}$ .

Table 1: Simulation setup for a panel with 3 facet levels and 2 x-axis levels for different designs starting from an initial distribution  $N(0, 1)$  for the combination  $(a_1, b_1)$ .

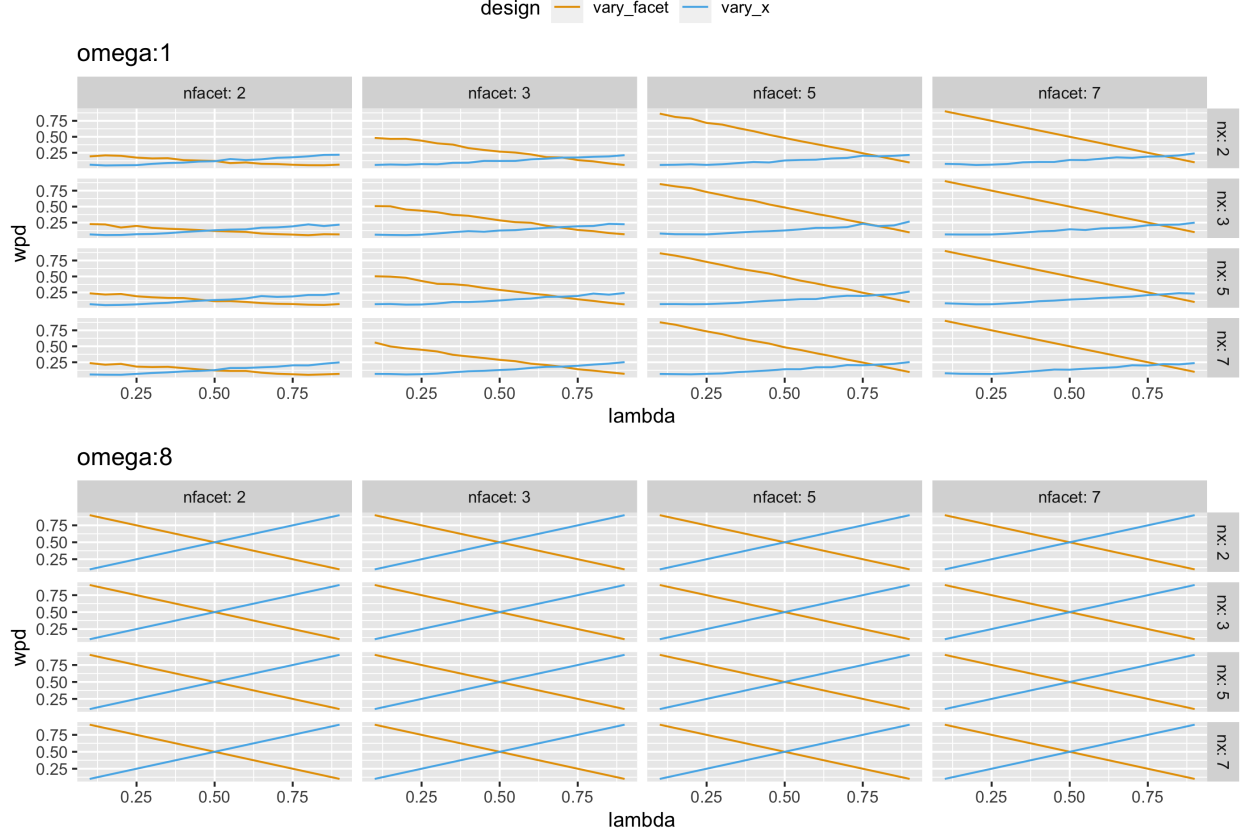
x	facet	$D_{var_f}$	$D_{var_x}$	$D_{var_{all}}$
$a_1$	$b_1$	$N(0, 1)$	$N(0, 1)$	$N(0, 1)$
$a_2$	$b_1$	$N(0, 1)$	$N(1, 1)$	$N(1, 1)$
$a_1$	$b_2$	$N(1, 1)$	$N(0, 1)$	$N(2, 1)$
$a_2$	$b_2$	$N(1, 1)$	$N(1, 1)$	$N(3, 1)$
$a_1$	$b_3$	$N(2, 1)$	$N(0, 1)$	$N(4, 1)$
$a_2$	$b_3$	$N(2, 1)$	$N(1, 1)$	$N(5, 1)$

### 2.1.1 Simulation design

Observations are generated from  $\text{Normal}(0,1)$  distribution for each combination of  $nx$  and  $nfacet$  from the following sets:  $nx = nfacet = \{2, 3, 5, 7, 14, 20\}$ . Let  $\omega = \{1, 2, \dots, 10\}$  denotes the variable denoting the increment in mean of the distribution. The values of  $\lambda$  ranges from  $0.1, 0.2, \dots, 0.9$ . Two designs are considered  $D_{var_x}$  and  $D_{var_f}$  and the values of  $wpd$  is being computed for all these different values of the considered variable.

### 2.1.2 Results

Figure ?? shows how the value of  $wpd$  changes for  $\lambda = 0.1, 0.2, \dots, 0.9$  for the two different designs  $D_{var_x}$  and  $D_{var_f}$  for two values of increment in mean  $\omega = 1, 8$ . For a lower value of  $\omega$ , the two designs intersect at  $\lambda > 0.7$  and for a higher  $\omega$ , the two designs intersect at  $\lambda = 0.5$ . The value of  $wpd$  increases with  $\lambda$  for  $D_{var_x}$  and decreases with increasing  $\lambda$  for  $D_{var_f}$ . Figure 1 shows the value of  $\lambda$  for which the two designs intersect across different values of  $\omega$ . It can be observed that as the value of  $\omega$  ( $\omega > 4$ ) increase, the value of  $\lambda$  at which the two designs intersect converge is  $\lambda = 0.5$ .



## 2.2 Number of comparison

# 3 Normalization

## 3.1 Simulation design

Observations are generated from  $\text{Gamma}(2,1)$ ,  $G(0.5, 1)$ ,  $N(0,1)$ ,  $N(0, 5)$  and  $N(5, 1)$  distribution for each combination of  $nx$  and  $nfacet$  from the following sets:  $nx = nfacet = \{2, 3, 5, 7, 14, 20, 31, 50\}$  to cover a wide range of levels from very low to moderately high. Each combination is being referred to as a *panel*. That is, data is being generated for each of the panels  $\{nx = 2, nfacet = 2\}, \{nx = 2, nfacet = 3\}, \{nx = 2, nfacet = 5\}, \dots, \{nx = 50, nfacet = 31\}, \{nx = 50, nfacet = 50\}$ . For each of the 64 panels,  $ntimes = 500$  observations are drawn for each combination of the categories. That is, if we consider the panel  $\{nx = 2, nfacet = 2\}$ , 500 observations are generated for each of the combination of categories from the panel, namely,  $\{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2)\}$ . The values of  $wpd$  is obtained for each of the panels. The measurement variable for each combination of categories in a panel are drawn from the same distribution and hence the design corresponds to  $D_{null}$ . Furthermore, this entire method is repeated for each panels  $nsim = 200$  times, so that the distribution of  $wpd$  under  $D_{null}$  could be observed.

## 3.2 Underlying distributions

Since the measure  $wpd$  is essentially set up to detect “differences” in distributions irrespective of underlying distribution, it would be ideal if it has minimal dependency on the type, location and scale of the initial distribution. To that end, some data pre-processing through the Normal Score Transform (NQT) has been applied in order to make most asymmetrical distributed measured variables more normal-like. Figure 2 shows ridge plots of raw  $wpd$  for a  $\text{Gamma}(0.5,1)$ ,  $\text{Gamma}(2,1)$  before NQT. It is observed that for the underlying distribution  $\text{Gamma}(2,1)$ , location and scale of the distribution of  $wpd$  changes from top-left panel

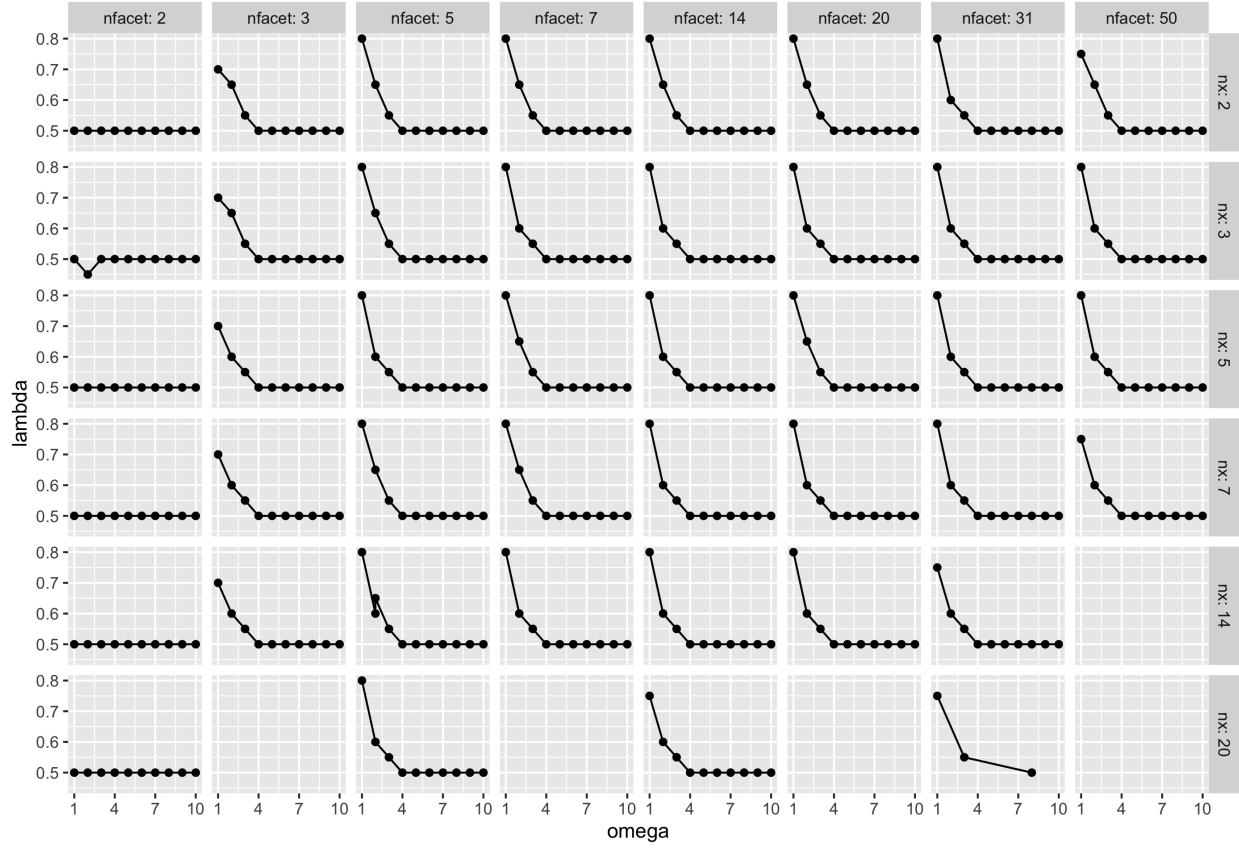


Figure 1: For most panels it is observed that the most common value of the tuning parameter for which the designs interact is 0.5, which implies any value greater than 0.5 could be chosen to up-weight the within-facet distances and down-weight the between-facet distances for most situations.

to bottom-right panel. Moreover, the location and scale of the distribution of  $wpd$  for different underlying distribution  $\text{Gamma}(0.5,1)$ ,  $\text{Gamma}(2,1)$ . Figure 3 shows the the distributions of  $wpd$  under same underlying distributions but after performing NQT. It is observed that within each panel, the distributions of the  $wpd$  looks same, however, the distributions change from extreme top-left panel to bottom-right panels. Similar observations could be made in Figure ?? for different underlying normal distributions  $N(0,1)$ ,  $N(5,1)$  and  $N(0,5)$ . This implies, NQT has atleast been able to bridge the gap in distribution of  $wpd$  for different non-normal underlying distributions.

### 3.3 Number of comparisons

Next, we study the distribution of  $wpd$  for different  $nx$  and  $nfacet$  in various ways.

#### 3.4 sample size

#### 3.5 number of permutations

#### 3.6 designs

## 4 Ranking and selecting harmonies

### 4.1 Simulation design

Observations are generated from a  $N(0,1)$  distribution for each combination of  $nx$  and  $nfacet$  from the following sets:  $nx = \{3, 7, 14\}$  and  $nfacet = \{2, 9, 10\}$ . The panel  $(3, 2), (7, 9), (14, 10)$  are considered to have design  $D_{null}$ . The panels  $(7, 2), (14, 9)$  have design of the form  $D_{var_f}$ .  $(14, 2), (3, 10)$  have design of the form  $D_{var_x}$  and the rest are under  $D_{var_{null}}$ . We generate only one data set for which all these designs were simulated and consider this as the original data set. We generate 200 repetitions of this experiment with different seeds and compute the proportion of times a panel is rejected when it is under  $D_{null}$ . We also compute the proportion of times a panel is rejected when it actually belongs to a non-null design. The first proportion is desired to be as small as possible and a higher value of the later is expected. Also, these would constitute to be the estimated size and power of the test.

### 4.2 Results

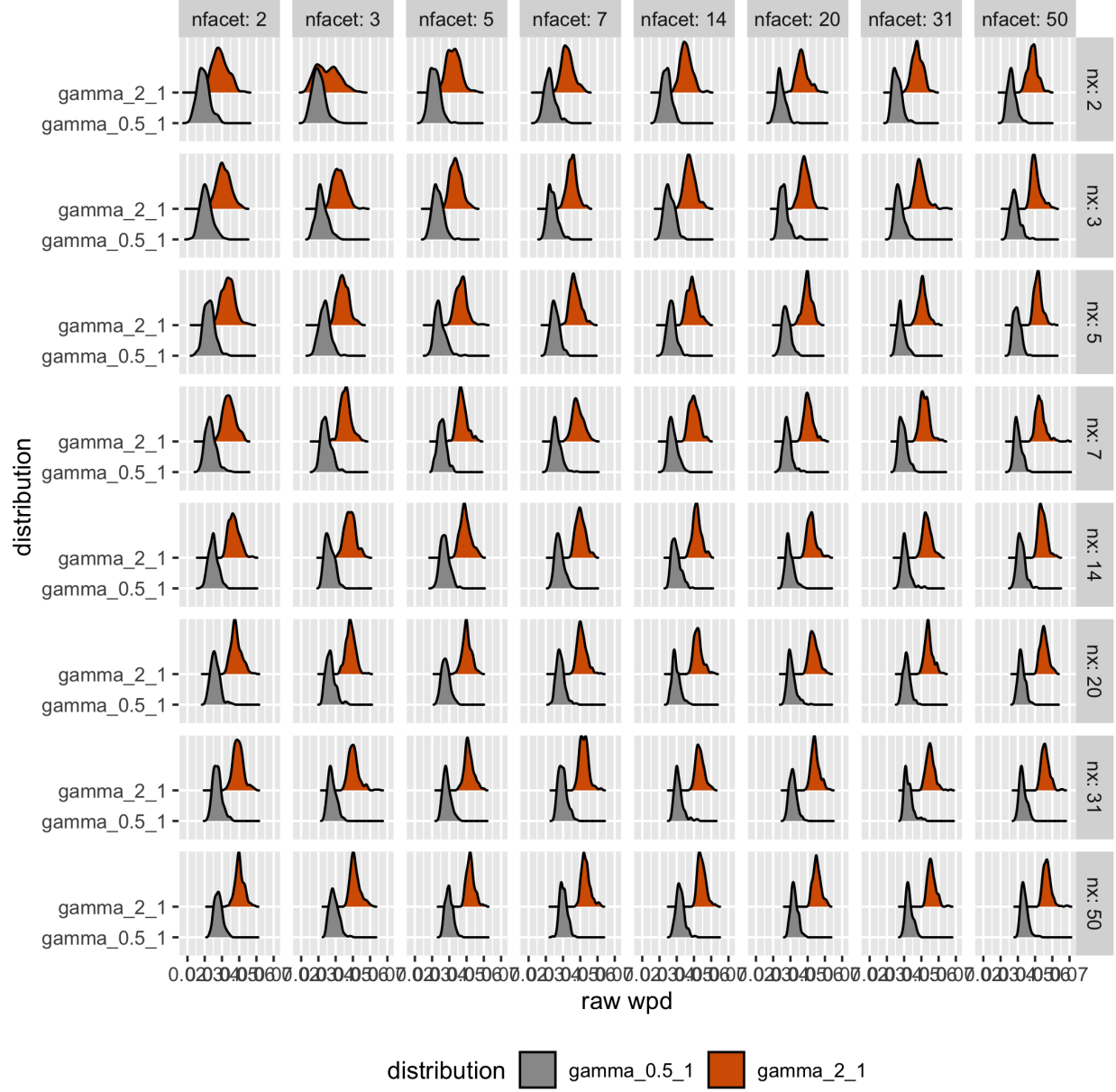


Figure 2: Ridge plots of raw wpd is shown for Gamma(0.5,1), Gamma(2,1) distribution without NQT. The densities change across different facet and x levels and also looks different for the two distributions, which implies wpd value is affected by the change in the shape paramter of the gamma distribution.

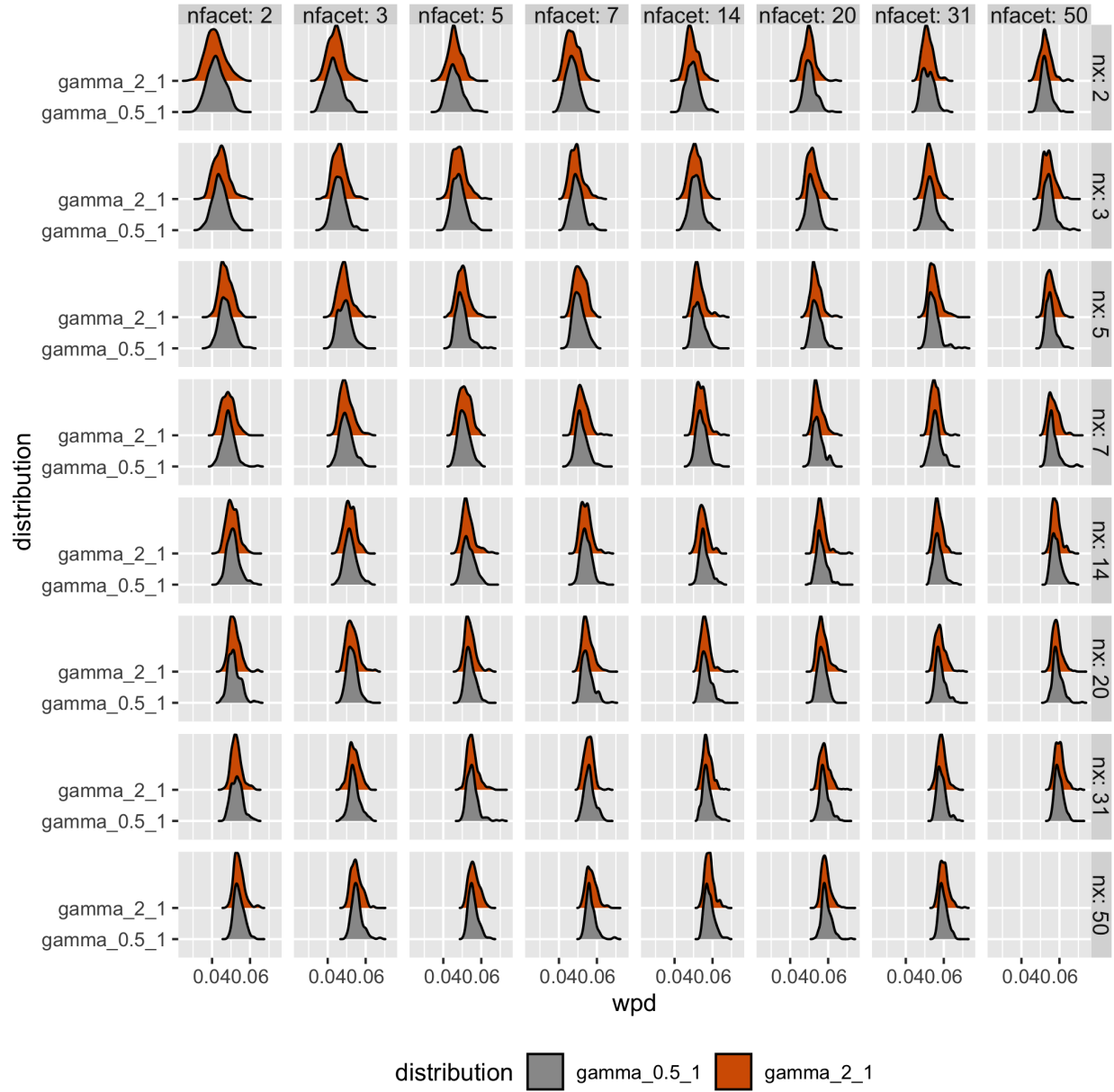


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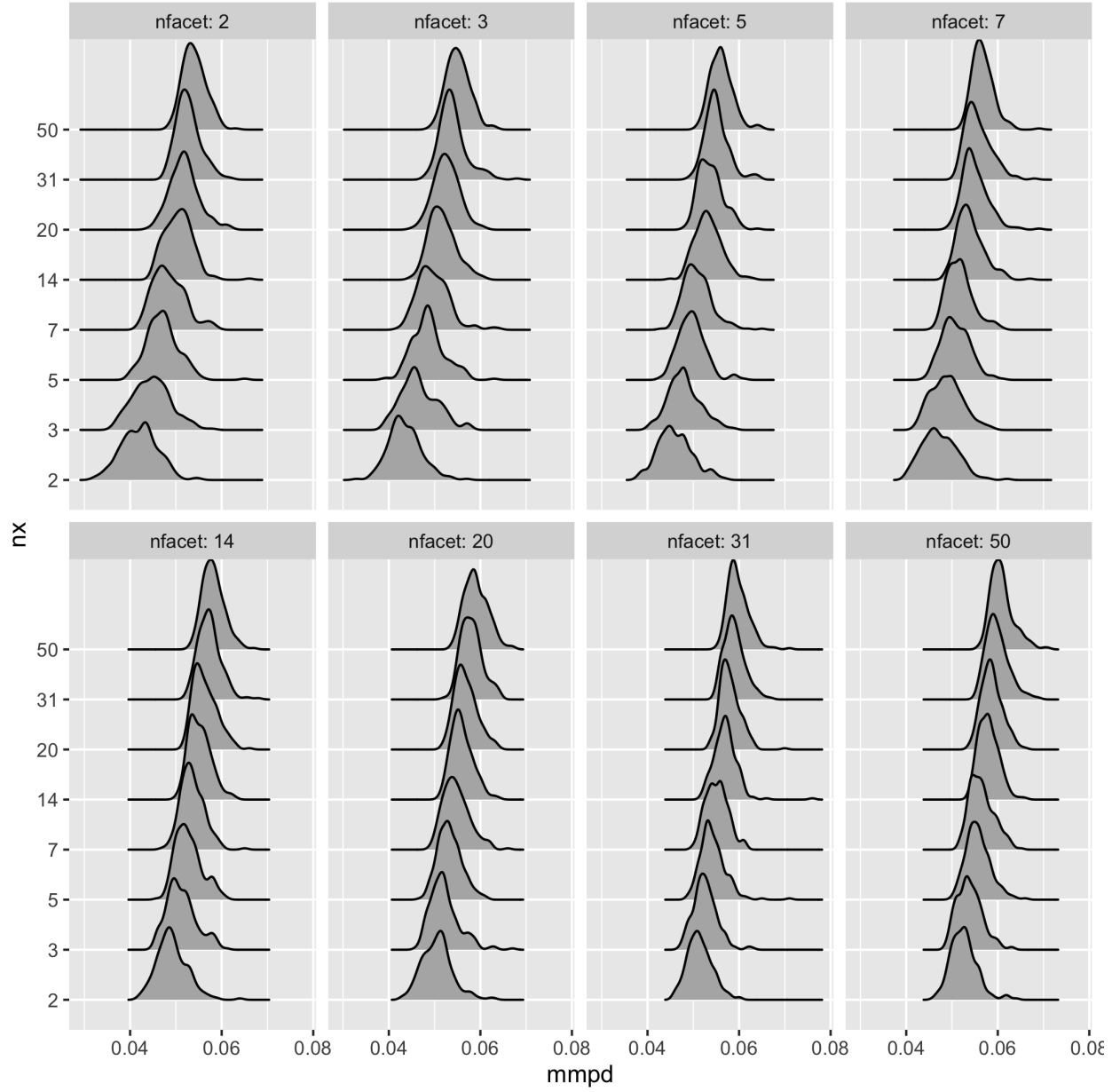


Figure 4: Ridge plots of raw wpd is shown for  $N(0,5)$  distribution. For each panel, it could be seen that the location shifts to the right for increasing  $x$  levels. Across each panel, the scale of the distribution seems to change for low/moderately lower values and higher values of  $n$  facets and left tails are longer for lower facet levels.