How to use VBDCMM

1. VBDCMM_gui_simul.py (short version)

(1) Open “terminal”.
(2) Go to the folder where VBDCMM source files are downloaded.
(3) Type: `python3 VBDCMM_gui_simul.py`

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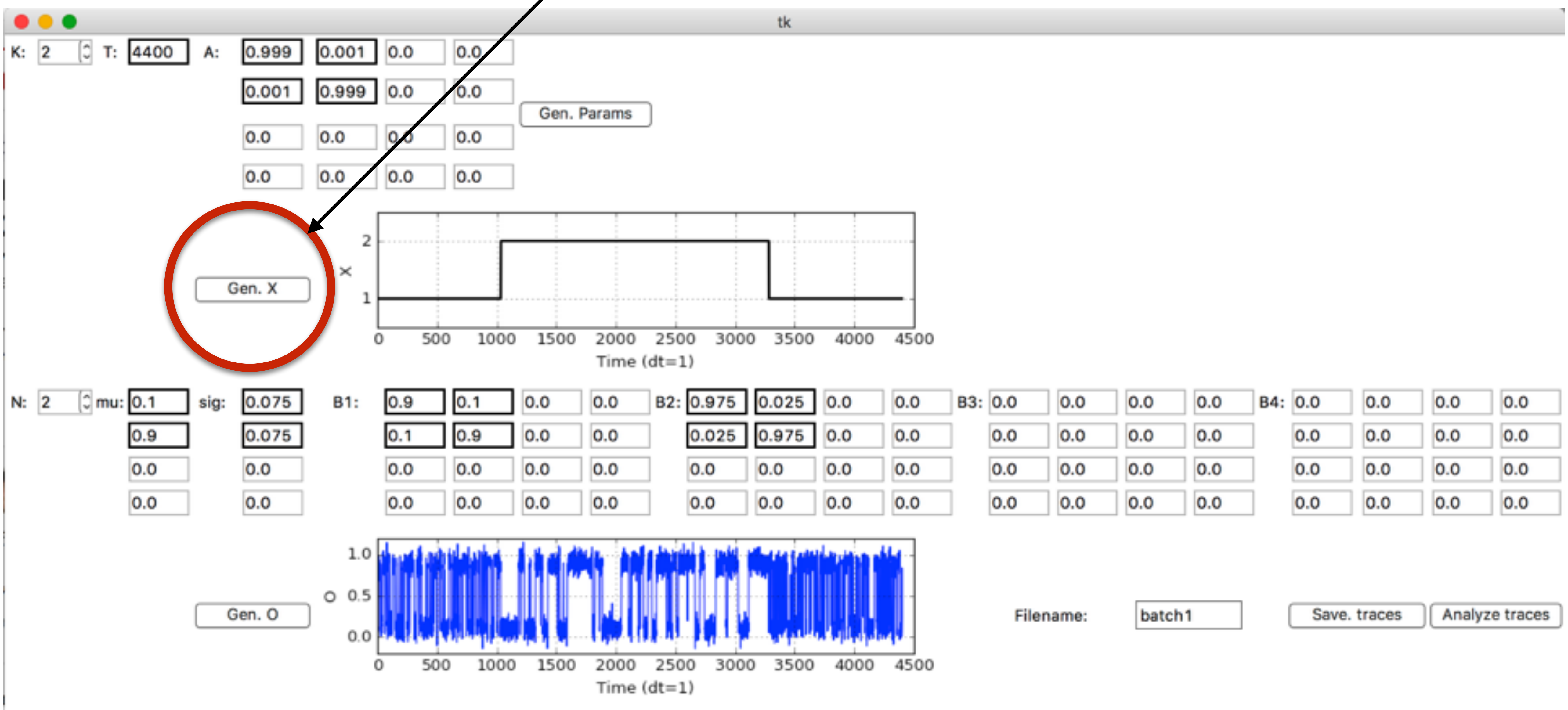

(to generate the sequence of (hidden) internal states. Repeat as much as you like)

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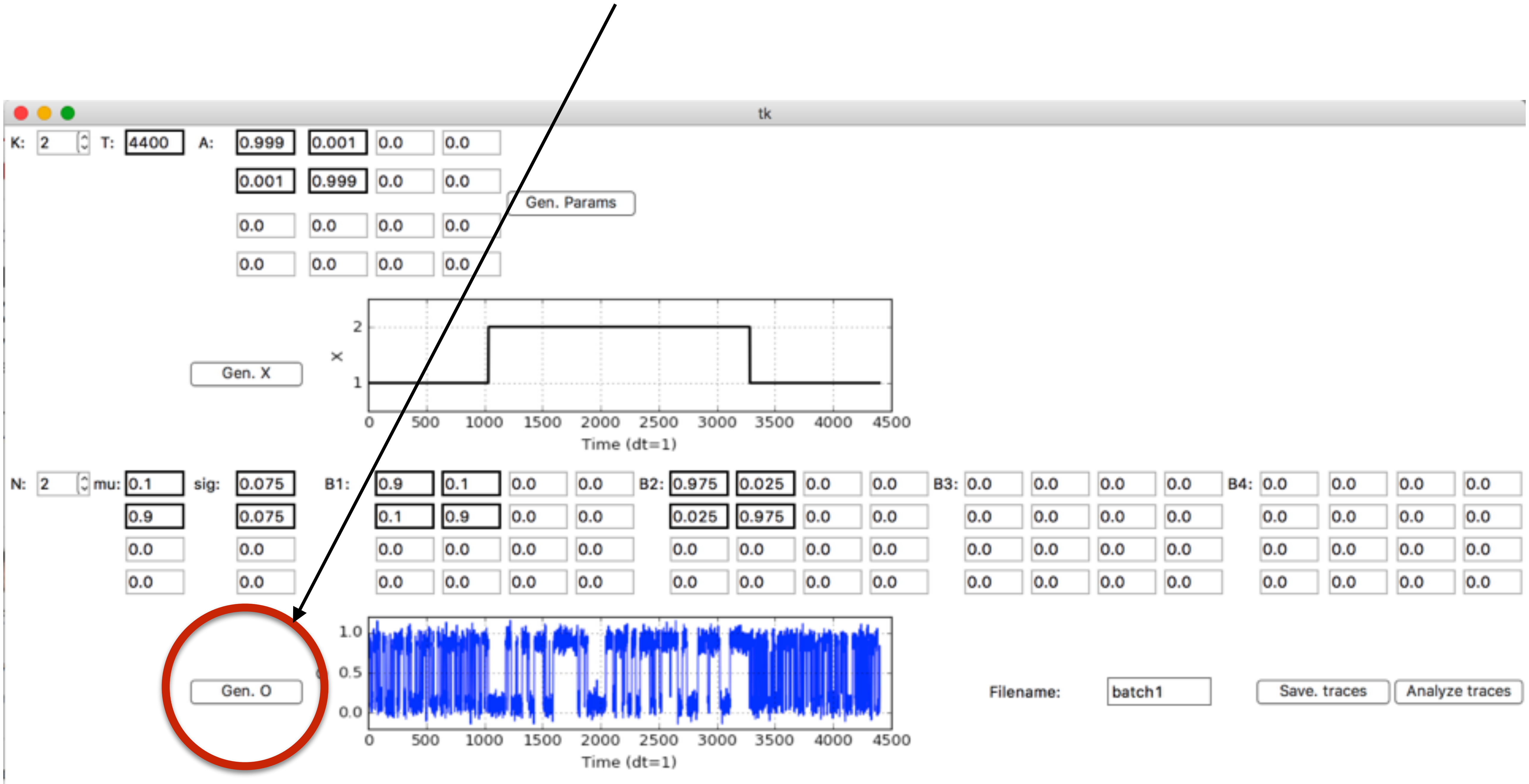

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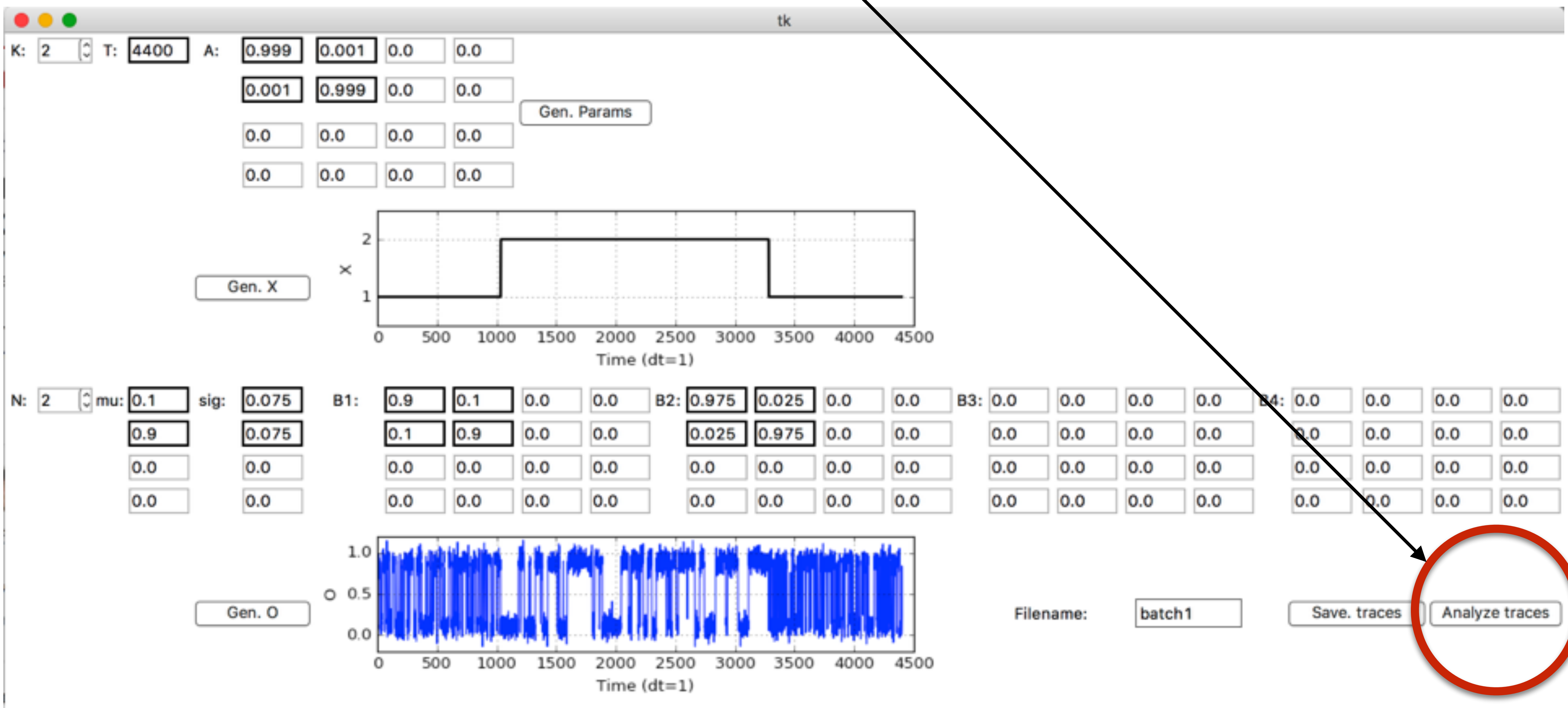

(to start VBDCMM analysis)

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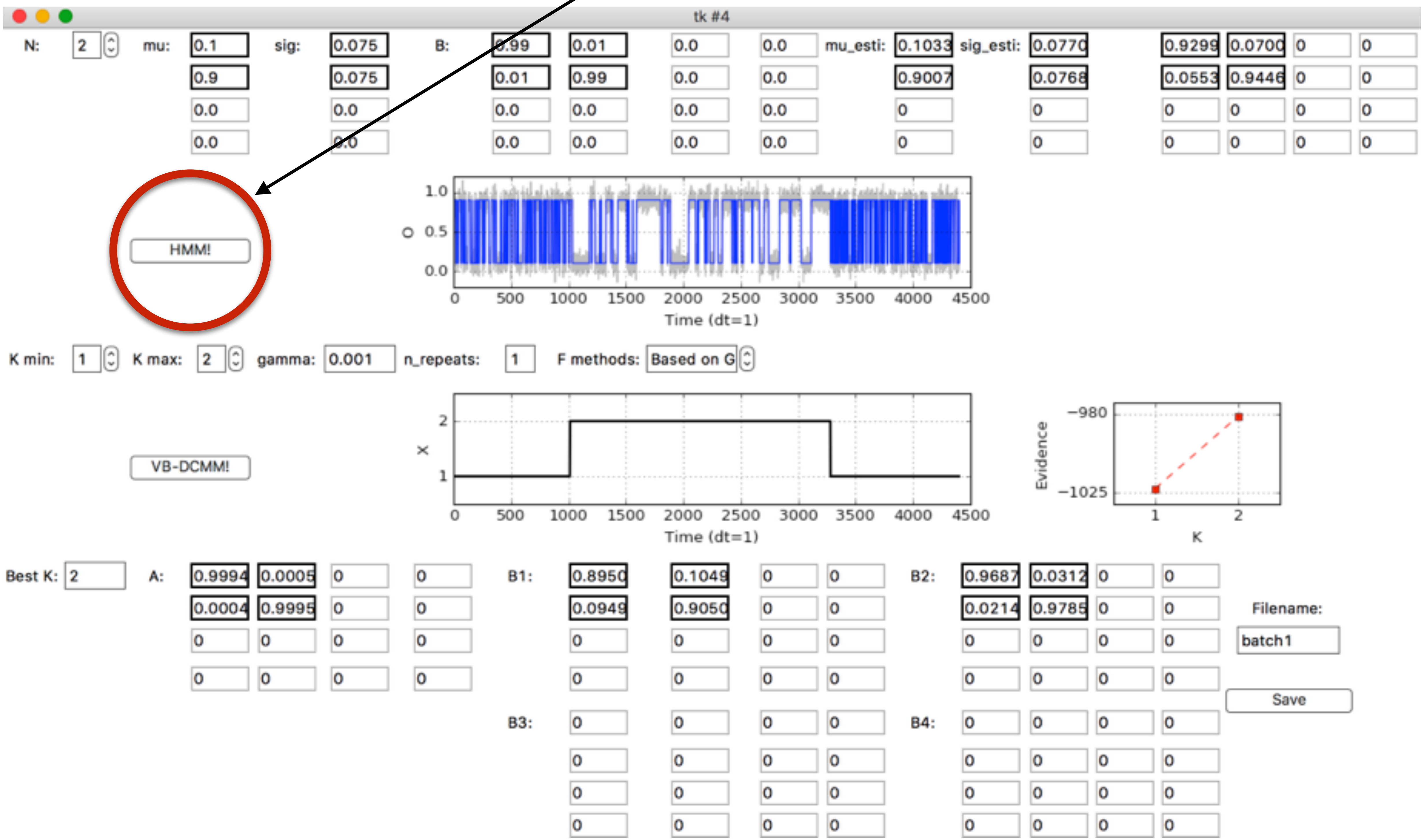

(to start filter the noise)

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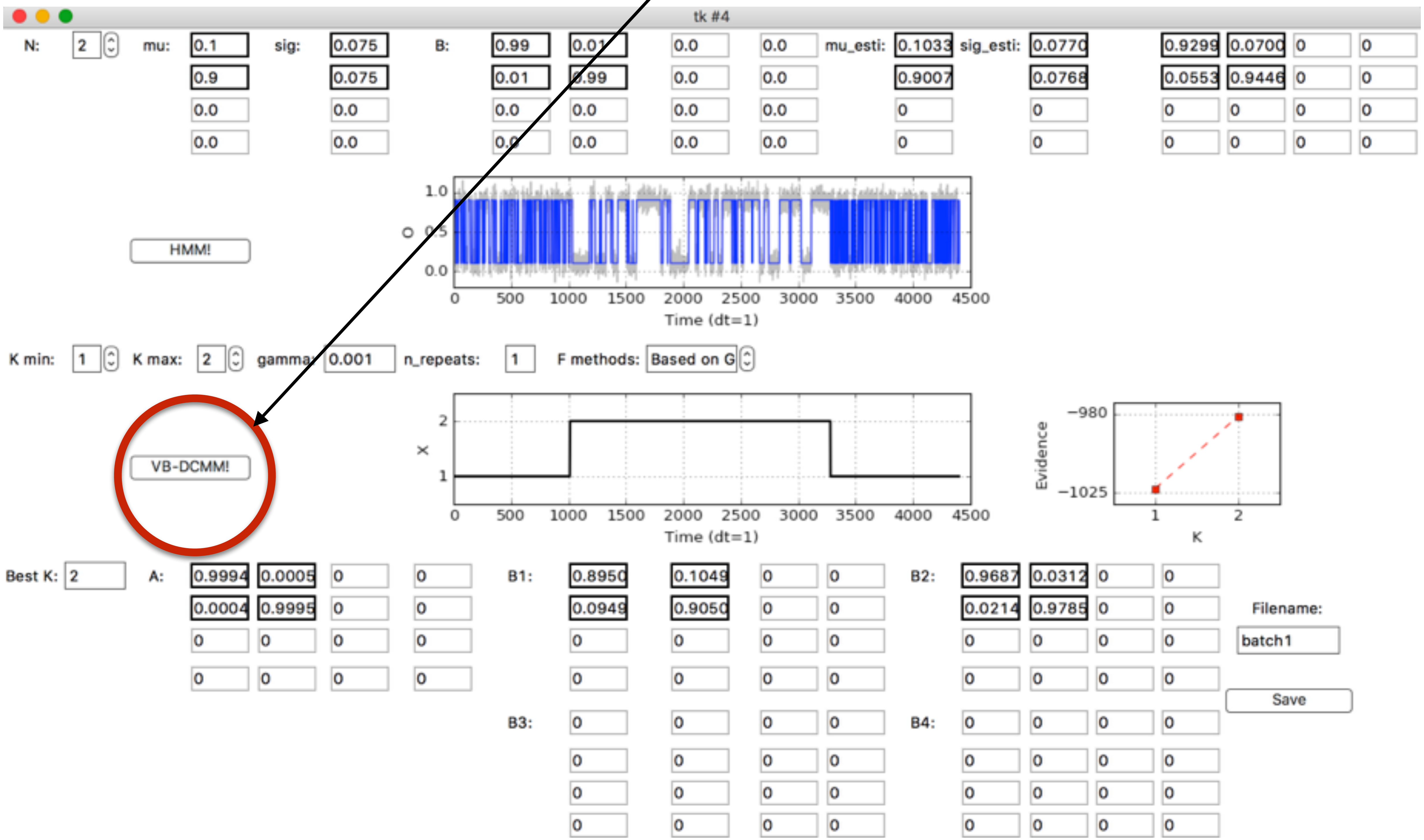


(to find most probable (hidden) sequence of internal state & best model)

2. VBDCMM_gui_simul.py (longer version)

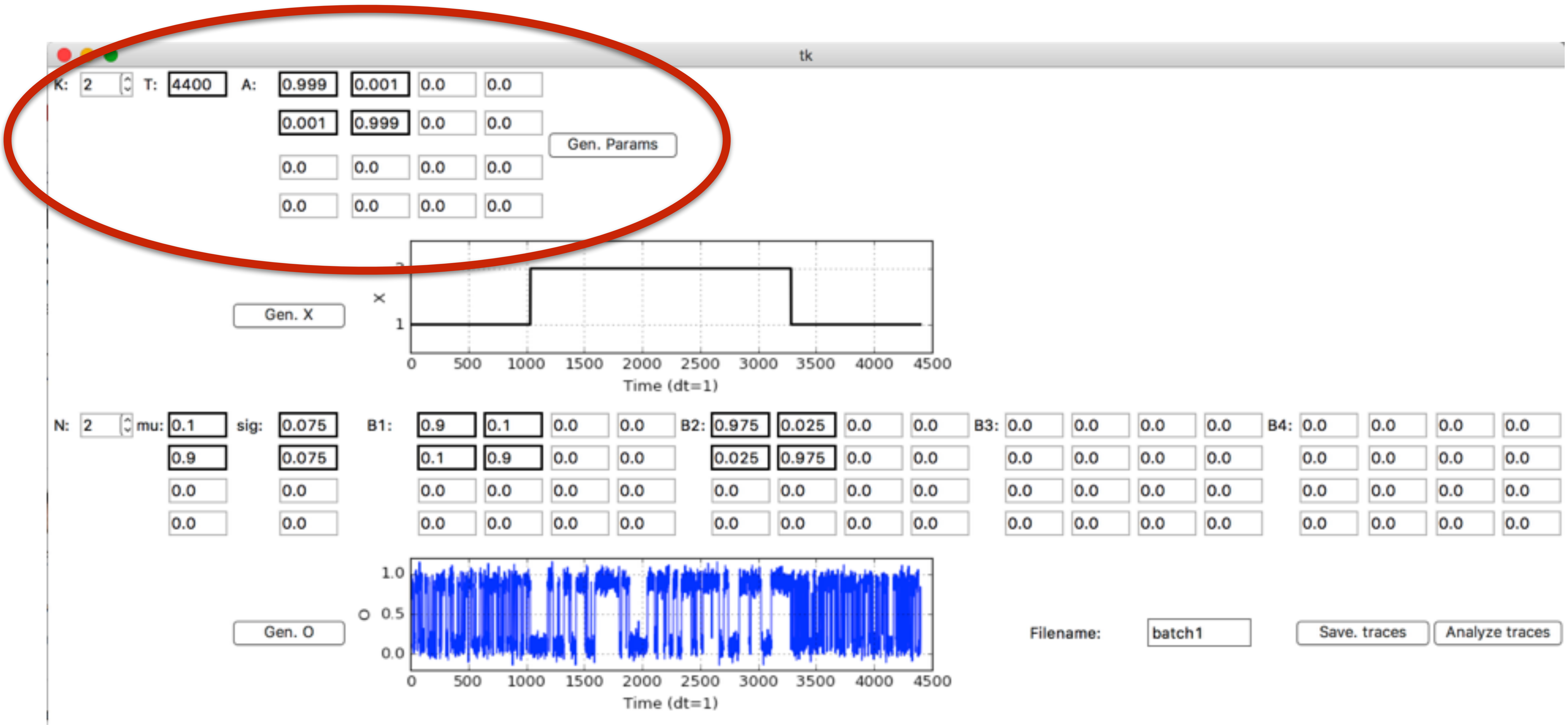
1. Set parameters for the generation of sequence of internal states

K: number of internal states

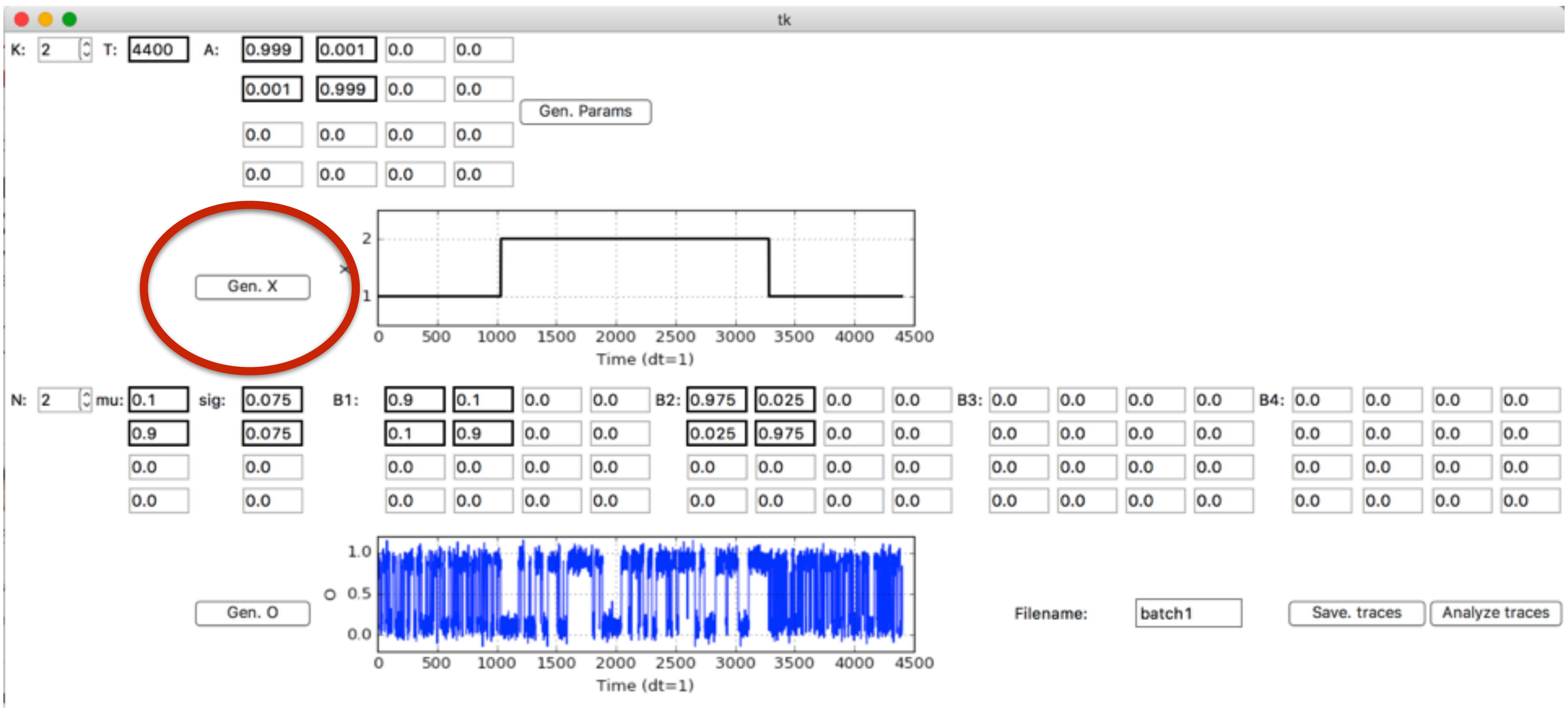
T: Observation time

A: Transition matrix

Gen. Params: Set parameters automatically.



2. Generate a trace of internal state



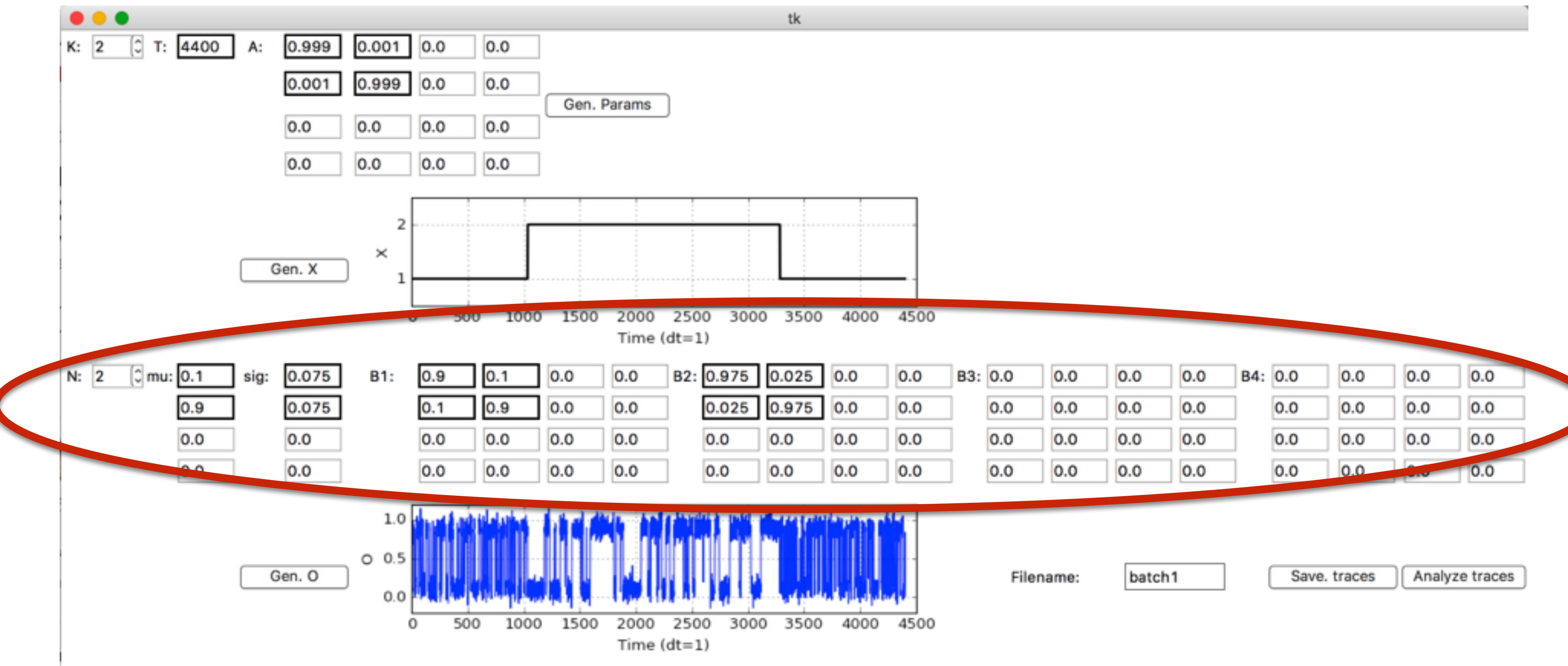
3. Set parameters for generation of sequence of observable states

N: The number of observable states

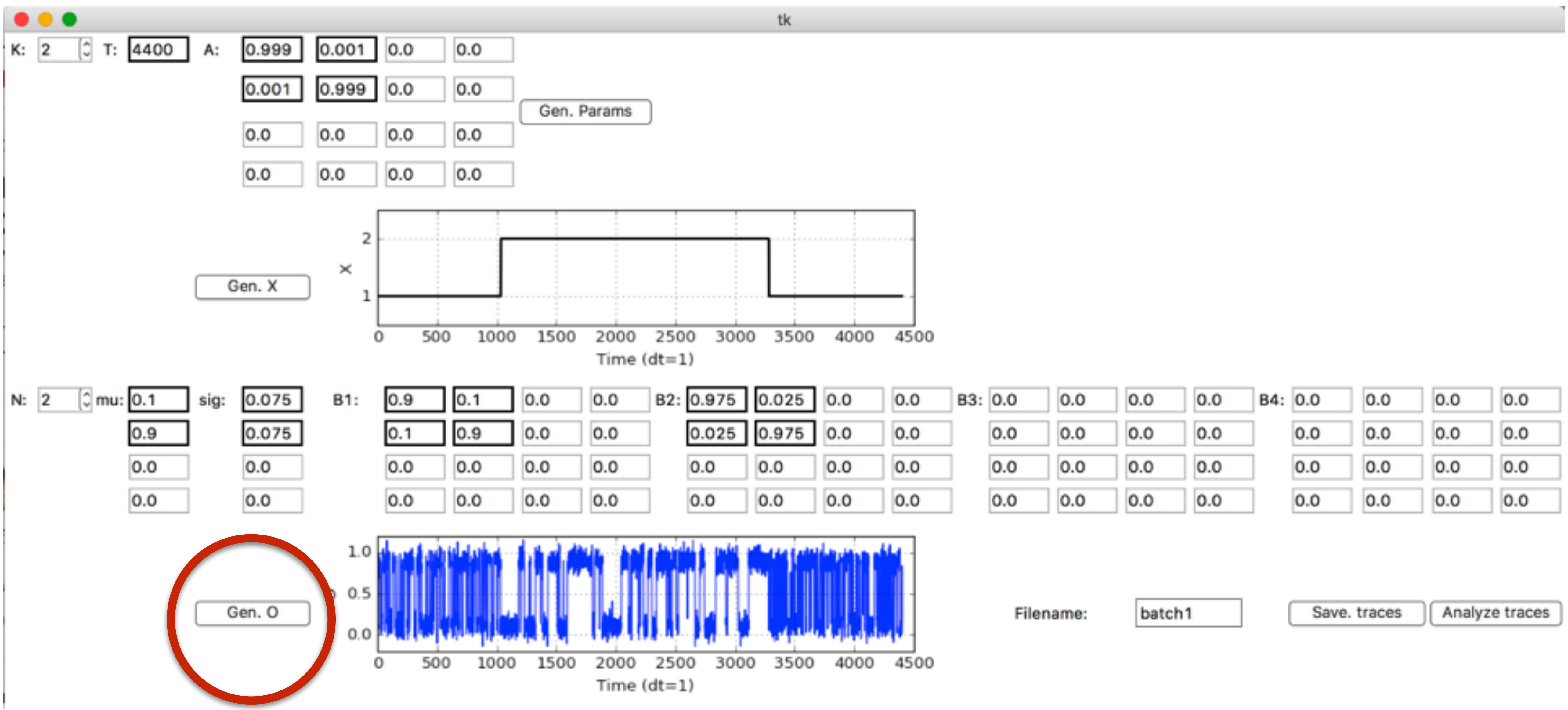
mu: Mean value of each observable state

sig: Std of each observable state

B1—4: Transition matrix of observable state corresponding to internal state 1—4.



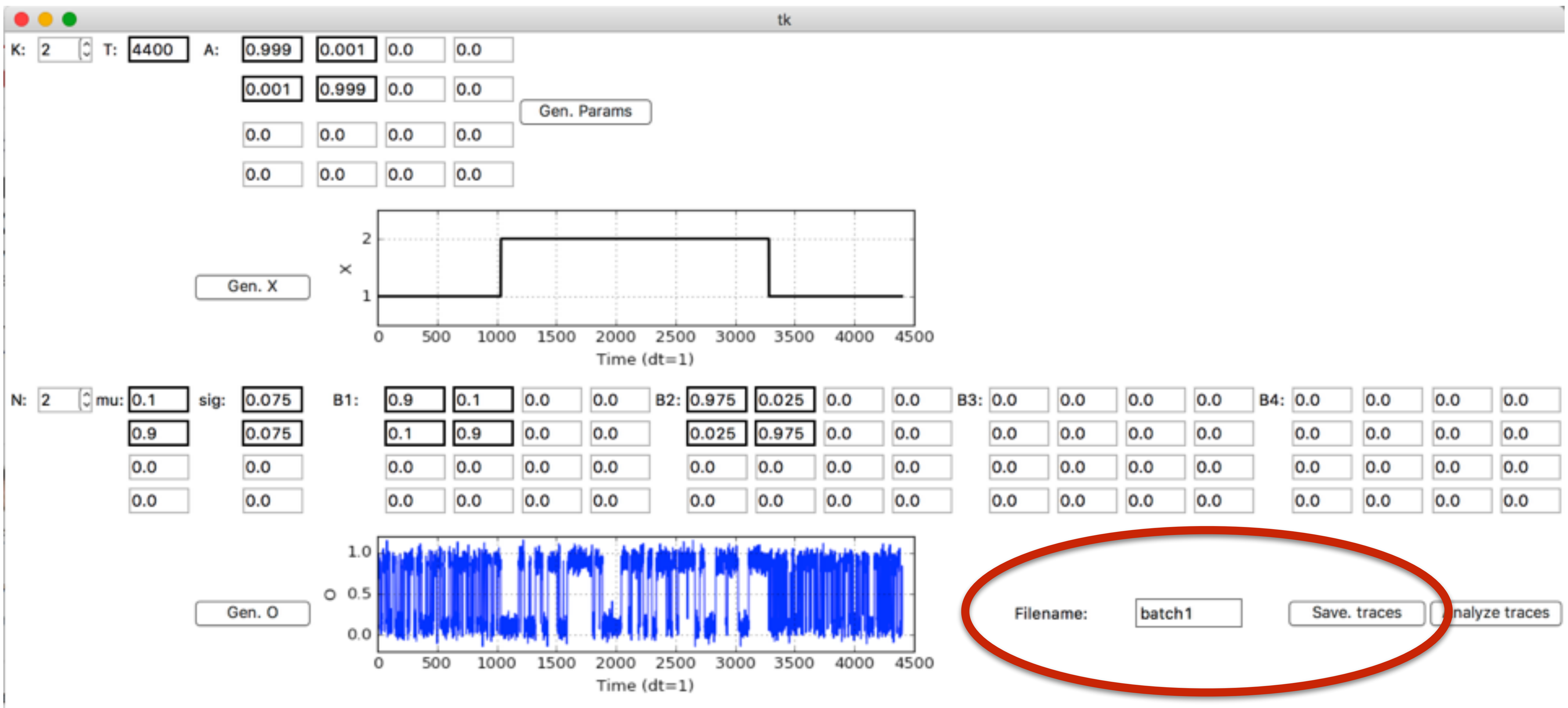
5. Gen. O: Generate the trace of observable state.



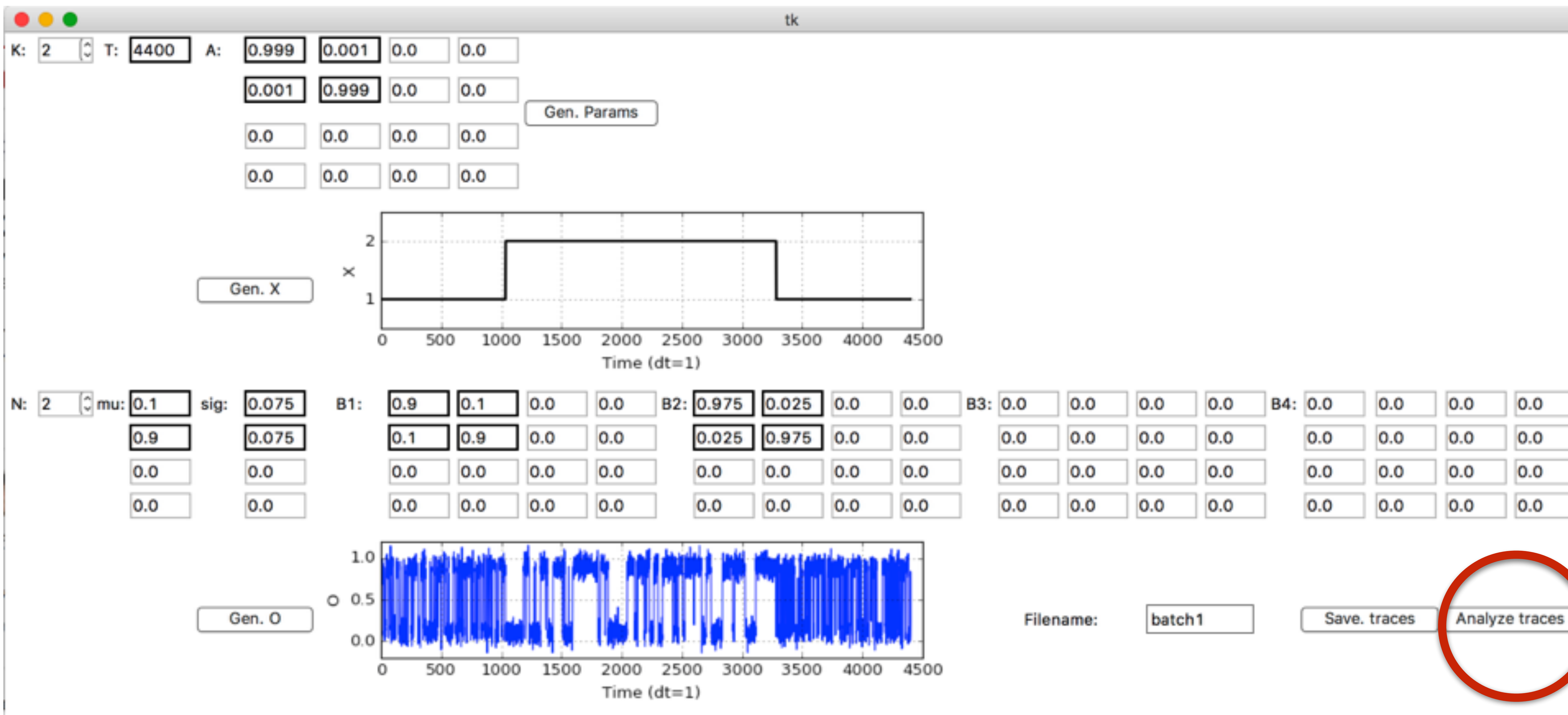
6. Save traces

Filename: The name of save-files.

Save. traces: Save data. Files will be saved in the same folder with “VBDCMM_gui_simul.py” file



7. Start VBDCMM



8. Filter the noise via Hidden Markov Modelling (HMM)

N: The number of (guessed) observable states.

mu: The initial guess of mean value of each observable state.

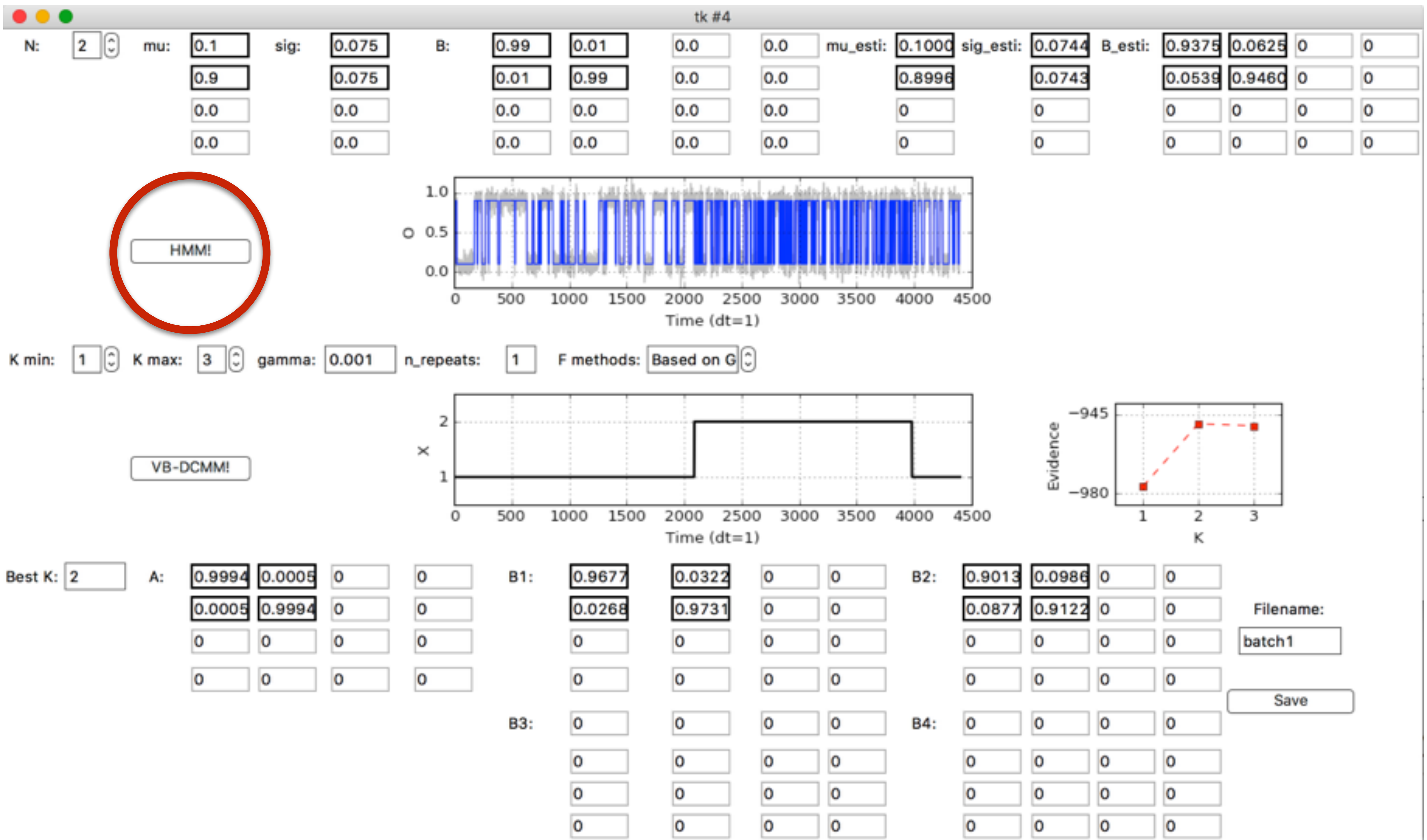
sig: The initial guess of std value of each observable state.

B: The initial guess of transition matrix.

9. Result of Hidden Markov Modelling (HMM)

mu_esti: The estimated mean value of each observable state.
sig_esti: The estimated std value of each observable state.
B_esti: The estimated transition matrix (assuming the presence of one internal state).

11. HMM analysis



12. Parameters for VB-DCMM analysis

K min: Minimum number of internal states

K max: Maximum number of internal states

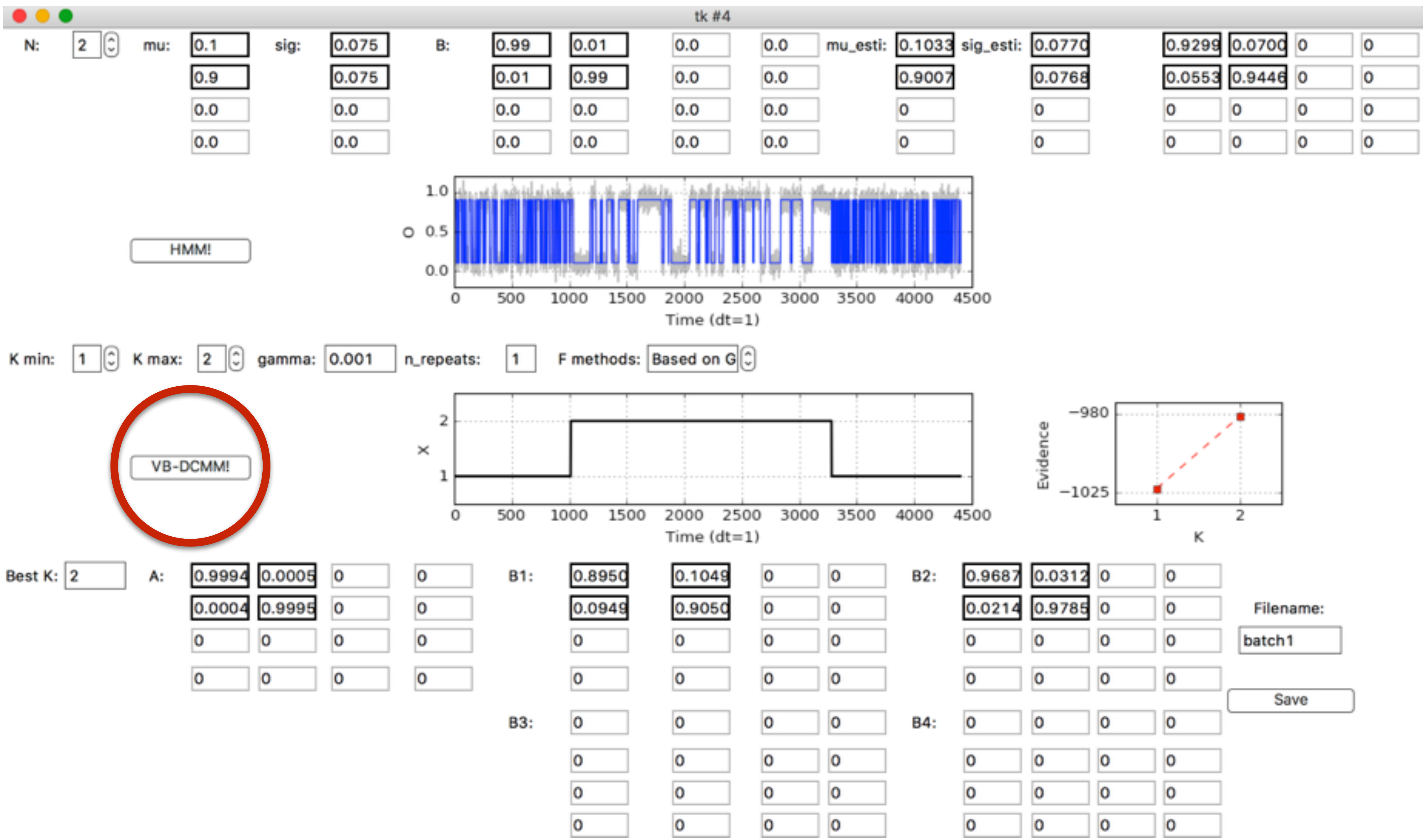
gamma: Initial guess of transition rate of internal states. “0.001” means roughly 1 transition is observed during 1000 sec observation

n_repeats: The number of repeats VB-DCMM in each model. To avoid local minimum n_repeats=20 recommended.

F methods: The method to treat model degeneracy. See the paper for the detail.

13. Find a most probable sequence of internal state

VB-DCMM!: Start VB-DCMM



14. Estimated sequence of internal state

15. Estimated lower bound of evidence.

K with maximum value will be selected as a best model.

16. Estimated parameters

Best K: Best model

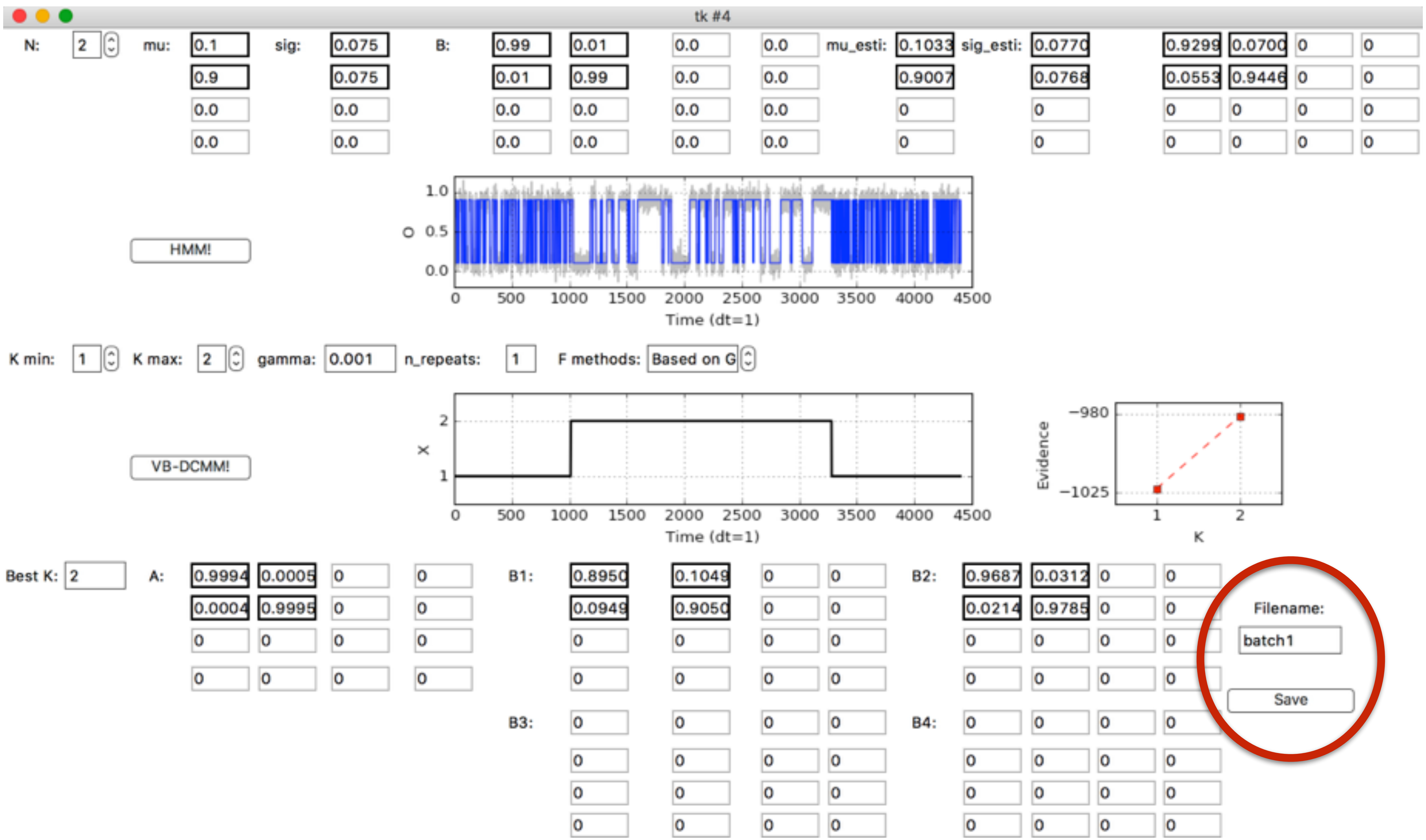
A: Estimated internal state transition matrix.

B1—4: Estimated observable transition matrices.

17. Save the results

Filename: The name for save-files.

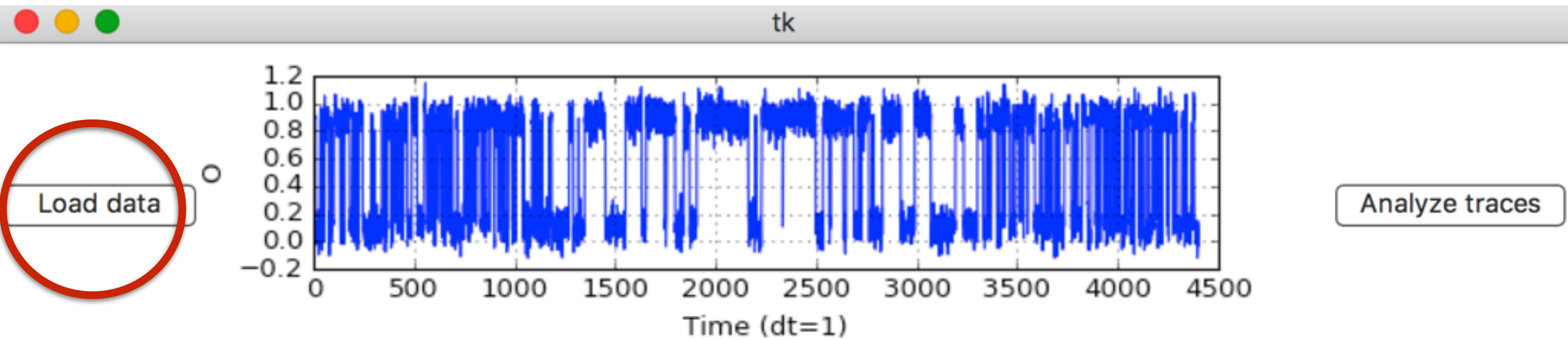
Save: Save data.



3. VBDCMM_gui_load.py (to load experimental data)

1. **Load experimental data**

Load data: Click to load data. Data should be 1-D column vector saved in text file. For example, if data contains 1000 data points, it should be **1000 x 1** matrix.



2. Analyse traces

Analyse traces: Start VB-DCMM