# PARAMETRIC ESTIMATION OF SPECTRUM DRIVEN BY

# AN EXOGENOUS SIGNAL

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#### **Abstract**

- In this paper, we introduce new parametric and generative driven auto-regressive (DAR) models. DAR models provide a non-linear and non-stationary spectral estimation of a signal, conditionally to another exogenous signal.
- We detail how inference can be done efficiently while guaranteeing model stability. We show how model comparison and hyper-parameter selection can be done using likelihood estimates. We also point out the limits of DAR models when the exogenous signal contains too high frequencies.
- Finally, we illustrate how DAR models can be applied on neurophysiologic signals to characterize phase-amplitude coupling.

#### Model selection

Model likelihood

$$L = \prod_{t=p+1}^{T} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma(t)^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\varepsilon(t)^2}{2\sigma(t)^2}\right)$$

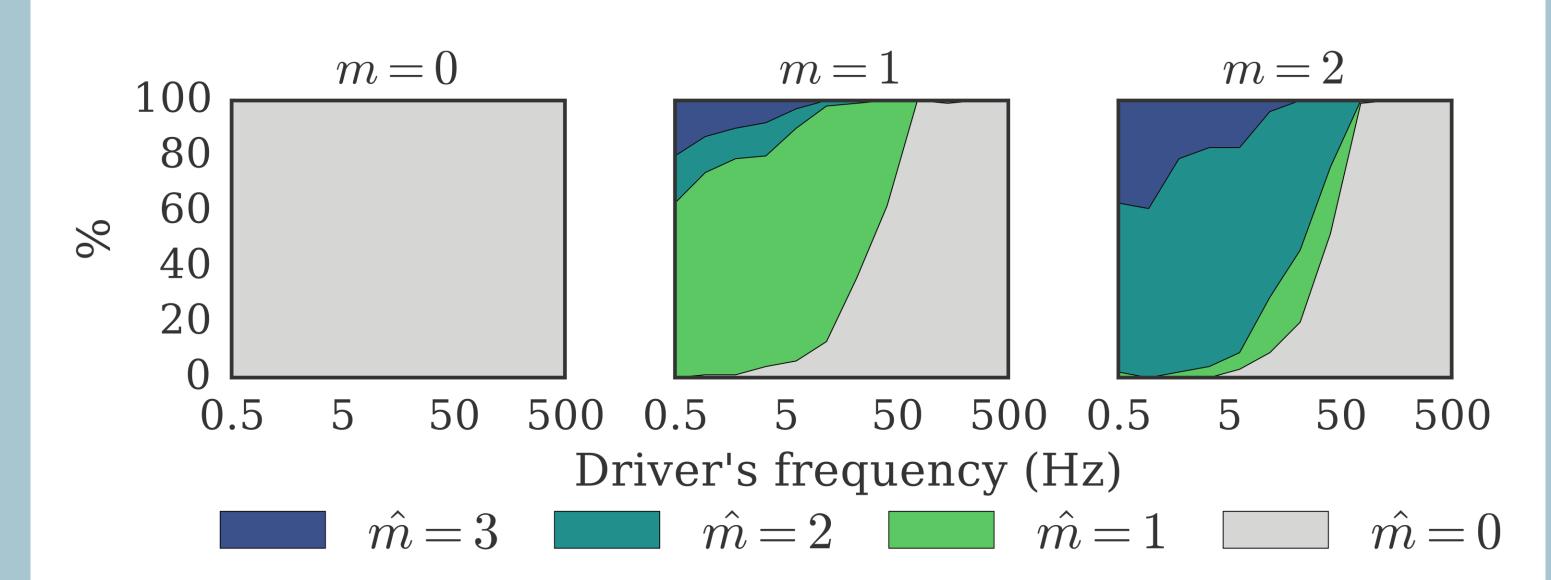
Bayesian information criterion (BIC)

$$BIC = -2\log(L) + d\log(T)$$

Degrees of freedom

$$d = (p+1)(m+1)$$

Simulations: we create DAR model, synthetize a driver and a signal, and try to recover the model order with BIC selection.



BIC selection works well if the driver is not too fast

### Comparison with LSTAR

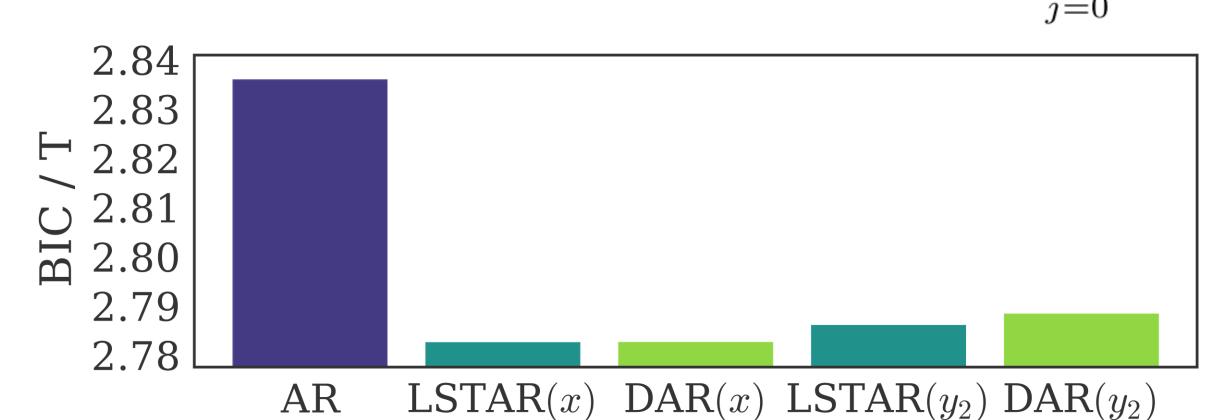
Logistic smooth-transition AR

 $F_j(x(t)) = (1 + e^{-\gamma_j(x(t) - c_j)})^{-1}$ 

$$a_i(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{m} a_{ij} F_j(x(t))$$

For fair comparison we added

$$\log(\sigma(t)) = \sum_{i=0}^{m} b_j F_j(x(t))$$



BIC comparison on an electro-physiologic signal

## Driven Auto-Regressive (DAR) models

AR model

$$y(t) + \sum_{i=1}^{p} a_i y(t-i) = \varepsilon(t)$$

Driven AR model

$$a_i(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{m} a_{ij} x(t)^j \qquad \log(\sigma(t)) = \sum_{j=0}^{m} b_j x(t)^j$$

To guarantee local stability, we use:

Lattice parameterization

$$a_p^{(p)} = k_p; \quad \forall i \in [1, p-1], \ a_i^{(p)} = a_i^{(p-1)} + k_p a_{p-i}^{(p-1)}$$

Local stability criterion

$$-1 < k_i < 1$$

Log area ratio

$$\gamma_i = \log\left(\frac{1+k_i}{1-k_i}\right) \iff k_i = \frac{e^{\gamma_i}-1}{e^{\gamma_i}+1}$$

Locally stable Driven AR model

$$\gamma_i(t) = \sum_{j=0}^m \gamma_{ij} x(t)^j$$

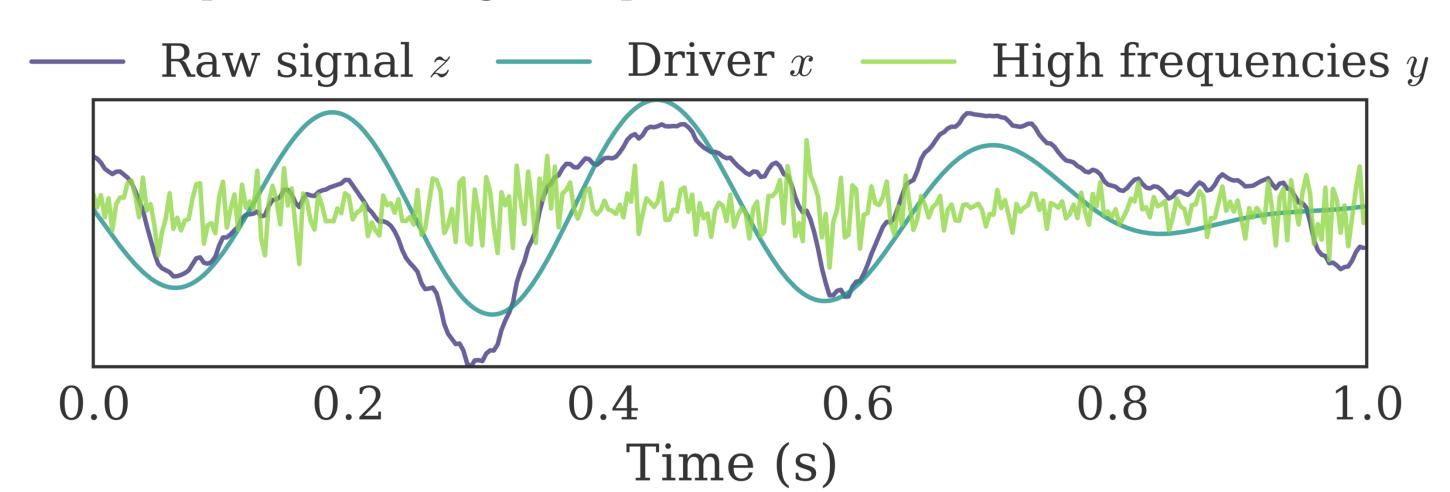
conditionally to the driver x

Power spectral density (PSD) conditionally to the driver 
$$x$$
 
$$S_y(x_0)(f) = \left| \sum_{i=0}^p \frac{a_i(x_0)}{\sigma(x_0)} e^{-j2\pi f i} \right|^{-2}$$

### Application to neuroscience

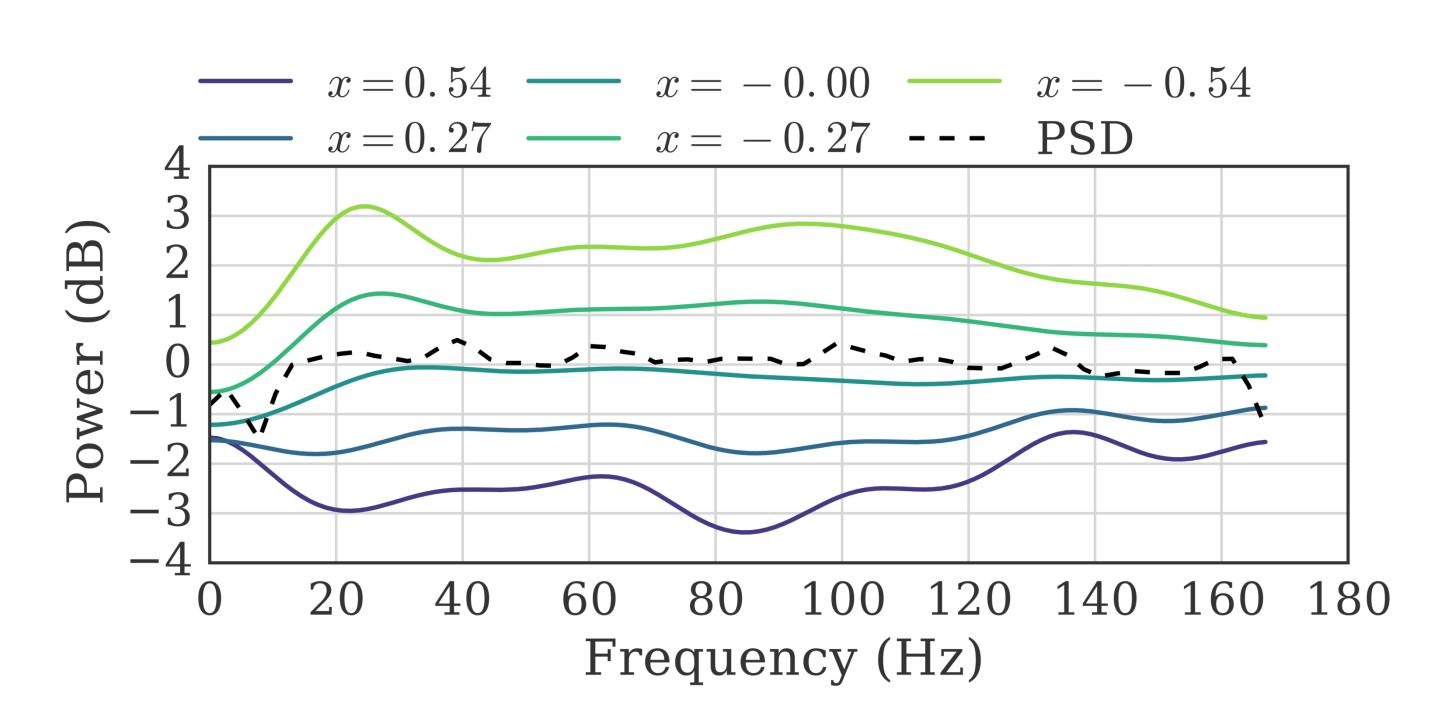
In neuroscience, phase-amplitude coupling (PAC) refers to the interaction between:

- The phase of a slow neural oscillation x
- The amplitude of high frequencies y



Portion of a human electro-corticogram (ECoG) channel

We band-pass filter the driver x from the signal, and apply DAR models on the high frequencies y, to estimate the PAC.



Power spectral density (PSD) conditionally to the driver x

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