

# Assignment 1 (ML for TS) - MVA 2022/2023

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## 1 Introduction

**Objective.** This assignment has three parts: questions about the convolutional dictionary learning, the spectral features and a data study using the DTW.

**Warning and advice.**

- Use code from the tutorials as well as from other sources. Do not code yourself well-known procedures (e.g. cross validation or k-means), use an existing implementation.
- The associated notebook contains some hints and several helper functions.
- Be concise. Answers are not expected to be longer than a few sentences (omitting calculations).

**Instructions.**

- Fill in your names and emails at the top of the document.
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## 2 Convolution dictionary learning

### Question 1

Consider the following Lasso regression:

$$\min_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p} \frac{1}{2} \|y - X\beta\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\beta\|_1 \quad (1)$$

where  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the response vector,  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  the design matrix,  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p$  the vector of regressors and  $\lambda > 0$  the smoothing parameter.

Show that there exists  $\lambda_{\max}$  such that the minimizer of (??) is  $\mathbf{0}_p$  (a  $p$ -dimensional vector of zeros) for any  $\lambda > \lambda_{\max}$ .

### Answer 1

Let's denote by  $f(\beta)$  the objective function. If we prove that  $f(\beta) > f(0)$  for every  $\lambda > \lambda_{\max}$  and every  $\beta \neq 0$  then it's done. We can lower bound easily  $f$  using  $\|\cdot\|_1 \geq \|\cdot\|_2$  :

$$\begin{aligned} f(\beta) &= \frac{1}{2} \|y - X\beta\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\beta\|_1 \geq \frac{1}{2} \|y - X\beta\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\beta\|_2 \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} (\|y\|_2 - \|X\beta\|_2)^2 + \lambda \|\beta\|_2 = f(0) + g(\beta) \end{aligned}$$

with  $g(\beta) = \lambda \|\beta\|_2 + \|X\beta\|_2^2 - \|y\|_2 \|X\beta\|_2$

Because  $X^T X$  is positive semi-definite :

$$\|X\beta\|_2 \leq \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(X^T X)} \|\beta\|_2$$

Hence

$$g(\beta) \geq (\lambda - \|y\|_2 \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(X^T X)}) \|\beta\|_2$$

Thus  $g$  is positive for  $\beta \neq 0$  as soon as  $\lambda > \lambda_{\max} = \|y\|_2 \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(X^T X)}$  (actually, we may have smaller  $\lambda_{\max}$ ).

### Question 2

For a univariate signal  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $n$  samples, the convolutional dictionary learning task amounts to solving the following optimization problem:

$$\min_{(\mathbf{d}_k)_k, (\mathbf{z}_k)_k, \|\mathbf{d}_k\|_2 \leq 1} \left\| \mathbf{x} - \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbf{z}_k * \mathbf{d}_k \right\|_2^2 + \lambda \sum_{k=1}^K \|\mathbf{z}_k\|_1 \quad (2)$$

where  $\mathbf{d}_k \in \mathbb{R}^L$  are the  $K$  dictionary atoms (patterns),  $\mathbf{z}_k \in \mathbb{R}^{N-L+1}$  are activations signals, and  $\lambda > 0$  is the smoothing parameter.

Show that

- for a fixed dictionary, the sparse coding problem is a lasso regression (explicit the response vector and the design matrix);
- for a fixed dictionary, there exists  $\lambda_{\max}$  (which depends on the dictionary) such that the sparse codes are only 0 for any  $\lambda > \lambda_{\max}$ .

## Answer 2

- We can write  $z_k * d_k = D_k z_k$  with  $D_k$  being a matrix of  $\mathbb{R}^{N, N-L+1}$  (\* is a linear function in finite dimension so it exists). Hence:

$$\sum_{k=1}^K z_k * d_k = X\beta$$

with  $X = (D_1, \dots, D_K) \in \mathbb{R}^{N, K(N-L+1)}$  and  $\beta = (z_1, \dots, z_K)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{K(N-L+1)}$ . Furthermore, we have  $\sum_{k=1}^K \|z_k\|_1 = \|\beta\|_1$ . The response vector is  $y = x$ . So this is exactly a lasso regression as in question 1.

- The answer to this question follows immediately from question 1.  $\lambda_{max}$  depends on the dictionary because the design matrix depends on the dictionary.

## 3 Spectral feature

Let  $X_n$  ( $n = 0, \dots, N-1$ ) be a weakly stationary random process with zero mean and autocovariance function  $\gamma(\tau) := \mathbb{E}(X_n X_{n+\tau})$ . Assume the autocovariances are absolutely summable, i.e.  $\sum_{\tau \in \mathbb{Z}} |\gamma(\tau)| < \infty$ , and square summable, i.e.  $\sum_{\tau \in \mathbb{Z}} \gamma^2(\tau) < \infty$ . Denote by  $f_s$  the sampling frequency, meaning that the index  $n$  corresponds to the time instant  $n/f_s$  and for simplicity, let  $N$  be even.

The *power spectrum*  $S$  of the stationary random process  $X$  is defined as the Fourier transform of the autocovariance function:

$$S(f) := \sum_{\tau=-\infty}^{+\infty} \gamma(\tau) e^{-2\pi f \tau / f_s}. \quad (3)$$

The power spectrum describes the distribution of power in the frequency space. Intuitively, large values of  $S(f)$  indicates that the signal contains a sine wave at the frequency  $f$ . There are many estimation procedures to determine this important quantity, which can then be used in a machine learning pipeline. In the following, we discuss about the large sample properties of simple estimation procedures, and the relationship between the power spectrum and the autocorrelation.

## Question 3

In this question, let  $X_n$  ( $n = 0, \dots, N-1$ ) be a Gaussian white noise.

- Calculate the associated autocovariance function and power spectrum. (By analogy with the light, this process is called “white” because of the particular form of its power spectrum.)

## Answer 3

$$\gamma(\tau) = \mathbb{E}(X_n X_{n+\tau}) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{E}(X_n^2) = \sigma^2 & \text{if } \tau = 0 \\ \mathbb{E}(X_n) \mathbb{E}(X_{n+\tau}) = 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

So  $\boxed{\gamma(\tau) = \sigma^2 \delta_{0,\tau}, \forall \tau \in \mathbb{Z}}$ . Hence  $\boxed{S(f) = \sigma^2, \forall f}$ .

#### Question 4

A natural estimator for the autocorrelation function is the sample autocovariance

$$\hat{\gamma}(\tau) := (1/N) \sum_{n=0}^{N-\tau-1} X_n X_{n+\tau} \quad (4)$$

for  $\tau = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$  and  $\hat{\gamma}(\tau) := \hat{\gamma}(-\tau)$  for  $\tau = -(N-1), \dots, -1$ .

- Show that  $\hat{\gamma}(\tau)$  is a biased estimator of  $\gamma(\tau)$  but asymptotically unbiased. What would be a simple way to de-bias this estimator?

#### Answer 4

For a fixed  $\tau$ , we have  $\mathbb{E}[\hat{\gamma}(\tau)] = \frac{N-\tau}{N} \gamma(\tau)$ . So when  $N \rightarrow \infty$  this tends to  $\gamma(\tau)$  hence asymptotically unbiased. Simply if we divide by the actual number of samples  $N - \tau$  instead of  $N$  this would be unbiased.

#### Question 5

Define the discrete Fourier transform of the random process  $\{X_n\}_n$  by

$$J(f) := (1/\sqrt{N}) \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} X_n e^{-2\pi i f n / f_s} \quad (5)$$

The *periodogram* is the collection of values  $|J(f_0)|^2, |J(f_1)|^2, \dots, |J(f_{N/2})|^2$  where  $f_k = f_s k / N$ . (They can be efficiently computed using the Fast Fourier Transform.)

- Write  $|J(f_k)|^2$  as a function of the sample autocovariances.
- For a frequency  $f$ , define  $f^{(N)}$  the closest Fourier frequency  $f_k$  to  $f$ . Show that  $|J(f^{(N)})|^2$  is an asymptotically unbiased estimator of  $S(f)$  for  $f > 0$ .

#### Answer 5

- $|J(f_k)|^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_n \sum_m X_n X_m e^{-2\pi i k n / N} e^{2\pi i k m / N}$ . We do the following change of variables  $\tau = m - n$ . Then :

$$\begin{aligned} |J(f_k)|^2 &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\tau=-(N-1)}^{N-1} \sum_{n=\max(-\tau, 0)}^{\min(N-\tau-1, N-1)} X_n X_{n+\tau} e^{2\pi i k \tau / N} \\ |J(f_k)|^2 &= \sum_{\tau=0}^{N-1} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-\tau-1} X_n X_{n+\tau} e^{2\pi i k \tau / N} + \sum_{\tau=-(N-1)}^{-1} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-\tau}^{N-1} X_n X_{n+\tau} e^{2\pi i k \tau / N} \end{aligned}$$

We recognize the first sum and we change the variables  $n = n + \tau$  then  $\tau = -\tau$  in the second sum:

$$|J(f_k)|^2 = \sum_{\tau=0}^{N-1} \hat{\gamma}(\tau) e^{2\pi i k \tau / N} + \sum_{\tau=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-\tau-1} X_n X_{n+\tau} e^{-2\pi i k \tau / N}$$

Hence :

$$\boxed{|J(f_k)|^2 = \sum_{\tau=-(N-1)}^{N-1} \hat{\gamma}(\tau) e^{-2\pi i k \tau / N} = 2 \sum_{\tau=0}^{N-1} \hat{\gamma}(\tau) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k \tau}{N}\right) - 1}$$

- Simply if we take the expectation with  $N$  samples:

$$\mathbb{E}[|J(f^{(N)})|^2] = \sum_{\tau=-(N-1)}^{N-1} \frac{N-\tau}{N} \gamma(\tau) e^{-2\pi i \tau \lfloor (f^{(N)}/f_s) \rfloor / N}$$

Now we apply the dominated convergence theorem with the discrete measure on the sequence of functions  $f_N(\tau) = \frac{N-\tau}{N} \gamma(\tau) e^{-2\pi i \tau \lfloor (f^{(N)}/f_s) \rfloor / N} \mathbf{1}_{[-(N-1), (N-1)]}(\tau)$  that converges pointwise to  $\gamma(\tau) e^{-2\pi i \tau f/f_s}$ . The convergence is dominated, in fact:

$$|f_N(\tau) - \gamma(\tau) e^{-2\pi i \tau f/f_s}| \leq 2|\gamma(\tau)|.$$

It's assumed that the series of the  $|\gamma(\tau)|$  converges. Hence the theorem applies and the estimator is asymptotically unbiased.

### Question 6

In this question, let  $X_n$  ( $n = 0, \dots, N-1$ ) be a Gaussian white noise with variance  $\sigma^2 = 1$  and set the sampling frequency to  $f_s = 1$  Hz

- For  $N \in \{200, 500, 1000\}$ , compute the *sample autocovariances* ( $\hat{\gamma}(\tau)$  vs  $\tau$ ) for 100 simulations of  $X$ . Plot the average value as well as the average  $\pm$  the standard deviation. What do you observe?
- For  $N \in \{200, 500, 1000\}$ , compute the *periodogram* ( $|J(f_k)|^2$  vs  $f_k$ ) for 100 simulations of  $X$ . Plot the average value as well as the average  $\pm$  the standard deviation. What do you observe?

Add your plots to Figure ??.

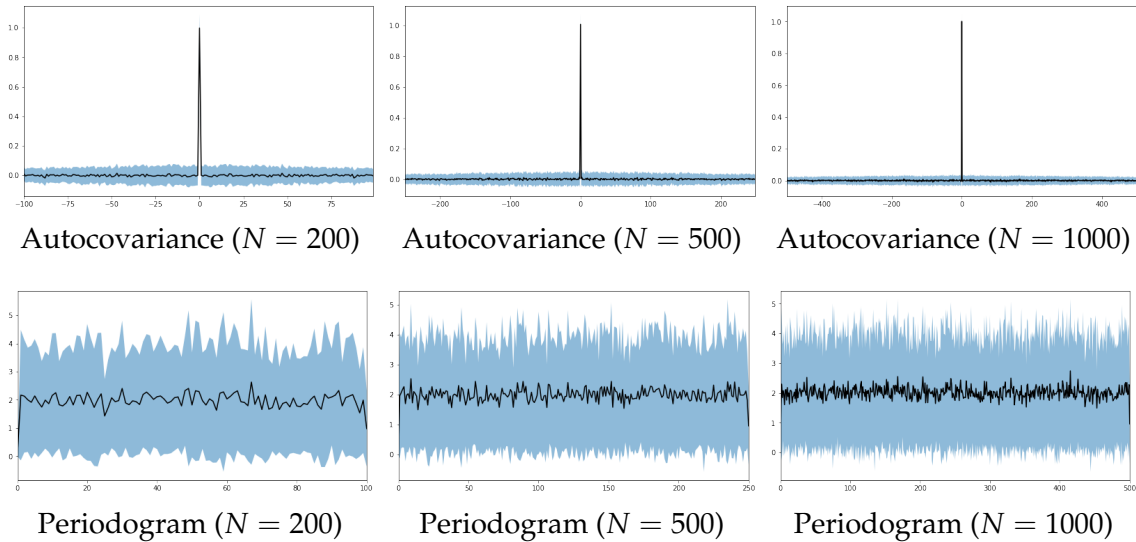


Figure 1: Autocovariances and periodograms of a Gaussian white noise (see Question ??).

### Answer 6

We do have  $\hat{\gamma}(\tau) = \sigma^2 \delta_{0,\tau} \forall \tau \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $|J(f^{(N)})|^2 = \sigma^2 \forall f$  as was expected for a Gaussian white noise.

## Question 7

We want to show that the estimator  $\hat{\gamma}(\tau)$  is consistent, i.e. it converges in probability when the number  $N$  of samples grows to  $\infty$  to the true value  $\gamma(\tau)$ . In this question, assume that  $X$  is a wide-sense stationary *Gaussian* process.

- Show that for  $\tau > 0$

$$\text{var}(\hat{\gamma}(\tau)) = (1/N) \sum_{n=-(N-\tau-1)}^{n=N-\tau-1} \left(1 - \frac{\tau + |n|}{N}\right) [\gamma^2(n) + \gamma(n-\tau)\gamma(n+\tau)]. \quad (6)$$

(Hint: if  $\{Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4\}$  are four centered jointly Gaussian variables, then  $\mathbb{E}[Y_1 Y_2 Y_3 Y_4] = \mathbb{E}[Y_1 Y_2] \mathbb{E}[Y_3 Y_4] + \mathbb{E}[Y_1 Y_3] \mathbb{E}[Y_2 Y_4] + \mathbb{E}[Y_1 Y_4] \mathbb{E}[Y_2 Y_3]$ .)

- Conclude that  $\hat{\gamma}(\tau)$  is consistent.

## Answer 7

- For  $\tau > 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{\gamma}(\tau)) &= \mathbb{E}[\hat{\gamma}(\tau)^2] - \mathbb{E}[\hat{\gamma}(\tau)]^2 \\ \text{Var}(\hat{\gamma}(\tau)) &= \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-\tau-1} \sum_{m=0}^{N-\tau-1} \mathbb{E}[X_n X_{n+\tau} X_m X_{m+\tau}] - \left(\frac{N-\tau}{N}\right)^2 \gamma(\tau) \end{aligned}$$

We should use the hint because the  $X_n$  are centered because it's assumed and they're jointly Gaussian because it's a Gaussian process. Hence :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{\gamma}(\tau)) &= \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-\tau-1} \sum_{m=0}^{N-\tau-1} (\gamma(\tau)^2 + \gamma(m-n)^2 + \gamma(m-n+\tau)\gamma(m-n-\tau)) - \left(\frac{N-\tau}{N}\right)^2 \gamma(\tau) \\ \text{Var}(\hat{\gamma}(\tau)) &= \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-\tau-1} \sum_{m=0}^{N-\tau-1} (\gamma(m-n)^2 + \gamma(m-n+\tau)\gamma(m-n-\tau)) \end{aligned}$$

We change the variables  $n' = m - n$ :

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\gamma}(\tau)) = \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{n=-(N-\tau-1)}^{N-\tau-1} \sum_{m=\max(-n,0)}^{\min(N-\tau-n-1, N-\tau-1)} (\gamma(n)^2 + \gamma(n+\tau)\gamma(n-\tau))$$

If  $n \geq 0$  then  $\min(N-\tau-n-1, N-\tau-1) - \max(-n, 0) + 1 = N-\tau-n$ . If  $n \leq 0$  then  $\min(N-\tau-n-1, N-\tau-1) - \max(-n, 0) + 1 = N-\tau+n$ . Hence the result :

$$\boxed{\text{Var}(\hat{\gamma}(\tau)) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-(N-\tau-1)}^{N-\tau-1} \left(1 + \frac{\tau + |n|}{N}\right) (\gamma(n)^2 + \gamma(n+\tau)\gamma(n-\tau))}$$

- Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then :

$$\mathbb{P}(|\hat{\gamma}(\tau) - \gamma(\tau)| > \epsilon) \leq \mathbb{P}(|\hat{\gamma}(\tau) - \mathbb{E}[\hat{\gamma}(\tau)]| > \epsilon) + \mathbb{P}(|\frac{|\tau|}{N} \gamma(\tau)| > \epsilon)$$

– The second term is equal to 0 for  $N \geq \frac{|\tau|}{\epsilon} |\gamma(\tau)|$ .

- The first term tends also to zero using Bienaymé-Tchebychev. Let's just show that the variance tends to zero :

$$|\text{Var}(\hat{\gamma}(\tau))| \leq \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=-(N-\tau-1)}^{N-\tau-1} 2(\gamma(n)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\gamma(n+\tau)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\gamma(n-\tau)^2)$$

$$|\text{Var}(\hat{\gamma}(\tau))| \leq \frac{6}{N} \sum_{\tau} \gamma(\tau)^2 \rightarrow 0$$

because we have assumed that the squares are summable.

Hence  $\hat{\gamma}(\tau)$  is consistent with  $\gamma(\tau)$ .

Contrary to the correlogram, the periodogram is not consistent. It is one of the most well-known estimators that is asymptotically unbiased but not consistent. In the following question, this is proven for a Gaussian white noise but this holds for more general stationary processes.

### Question 8

Assume that  $X$  is a Gaussian white noise (variance  $\sigma^2$ ) and let  $A(f) := \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} X_n \cos(-2\pi f n / f_s)$  and  $B(f) := \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} X_n \sin(-2\pi f n / f_s)$ . Observe that  $J(f) = (1/N)(A(f) + iB(f))$ .

- Derive the mean and variance of  $A(f)$  and  $B(f)$  for  $f = f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{N/2}$  where  $f_k = f_s k / N$ .
- What is the distribution of the periodogram values  $|J(f_0)|^2, |J(f_1)|^2, \dots, |J(f_{N/2})|^2$ .
- What is the variance of the  $|J(f_k)|^2$ ? Conclude that the periodogram is not consistent.
- Explain the erratic behavior of the periodogram in Question ?? by looking at the covariance between the  $|J(f_k)|^2$ .

### Answer 8

First we assume that there is some typo and the factor  $\frac{1}{N}$  is actually  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$  in  $J(f)$ .

- Because the  $X_n$  have zero mean :

$$\mathbb{E}[A(f_k)] = \mathbb{E}[B(f_k)] = 0$$

Furthermore:

$$\mathbb{E}[A(f_k)^2] = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \mathbb{E}[X_n^2] \cos^2(-2\pi k / N)$$

because the cross terms are equal to zero due the independence of the random variables. By linearizing the  $\cos^2$  we have:

$$\text{Var}[A(f_k)] = \frac{\sigma^2 N}{2}$$

By the same arguments of calculation, we have :

$$\text{Var}[B(f_k)] = \frac{\sigma^2 N}{2}$$

- Because the  $(X_n)_n$  are jointly Gaussian,  $A(f_k)$  and  $B(f_k)$  are also Gaussian. Furthermore they are uncorrelated because :

$$\mathbb{E}[A(f_k)B(f_k)] = \sigma^2 \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \cos(-2\pi kn/N) \sin(-2\pi kn/N) = -0.5\sigma^2 \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \sin(4\pi kn/N) = 0.$$

Plus they are jointly Gaussian because the  $X_n$  are jointly Gaussian. So they are actually

independent variables. Hence  $\frac{2}{\sigma^2} |J(f_k)|^2 = ((\frac{A(f_k)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[A(f_k)]}})^2 + (\frac{B(f_k)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[B(f_k)]}})^2) \sim \chi_2^2$ .

- We have easily access to the variance of a  $\chi^2$  distribution:

$$\text{Var}[|J(f_k)|^2] = \sigma^4$$

Because the  $|J(f_k)|^2$  are following the same distribution for all  $k$  and all  $N$ , this means that for  $\epsilon > 0$ :

$$\mathbb{P}(|J(f^{(N)})|^2 - |J(f)|^2| > \epsilon)$$

is a constant w.r.t.  $N$ . This constant is not zero simply because the mass of a  $\chi_2^2$  distribution is not concentrated in an finite-length interval around  $|J(f)|^2$ . So this quantity doesn't tend to zero and the periodogram is not consistent.

- First we have :

$$\mathbb{E}[A(f_k)B(f_l)] = \sigma^2 \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \cos(-2\pi kn/N) \sin(-2\pi ln/N)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[A(f_k)B(f_l)] = -0.5\sigma^2 \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \sin(-2\pi(k+l)n/N) + \sin(-2\pi(k-l)n/N) = 0.$$

Also :

$$\mathbb{E}[A(f_k)A(f_l)] = \sigma^2 \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \cos(-2\pi kn/N) \cos(-2\pi ln/N)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[A(f_k)A(f_l)] = -0.5\sigma^2 \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \cos(-2\pi(k+l)n/N) + \cos(-2\pi(k-l)n/N) = 0 \text{ for } k \neq l$$

Similarly :

$$\mathbb{E}[B(f_k)B(f_l)] = 0 \text{ for } k \neq l$$

By the same arguments as before, these uncorrelations imply independencies.

Let's write  $N|J(f_k)|^2 = A(f_k)^2 + B(f_k)^2$ .

$$N^2 \mathbb{E}[|J(f_k)|^2 |J(f_l)|^2] = \mathbb{E}[A(f_k)^2 A(f_l)^2] + \mathbb{E}[A(f_k)^2 B(f_l)^2] + \mathbb{E}[B(f_k)^2 A(f_l)^2] + \mathbb{E}[B(f_k)^2 B(f_l)^2]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[|J(f_k)|^2 |J(f_l)|^2] = \begin{cases} 2\sigma^4 & \text{if } k = l \\ \sigma^4 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{cov}(|J(f_k)|^2, |J(f_l)|^2) = \begin{cases} \sigma^4 & \text{if } k = l \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

The fact that the  $|J(f_k)|^2$  are uncorrelated explains totally the erratic behavior of the curves: there is no correlation between a sample and the next one, hence the jumps.



## Question 9

As seen in the previous question, the problem with the periodogram is the fact that its variance does not decrease with the sample size. A simple procedure to obtain a consistent estimate is to divide the signal in  $K$  sections of equal durations, compute a periodogram on each section and average them. Provided the sections are independent, this has the effect of dividing the variance by  $K$ . This procedure is known as Bartlett's procedure.

- Rerun the experiment of Question ??, but replace the periodogram by Bartlett's estimate (set  $K = 5$ ). What do you observe.

Add your plots to Figure ??.

## Answer 9

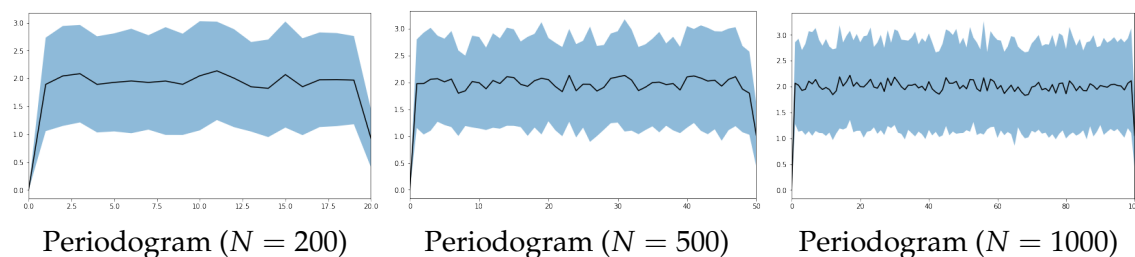


Figure 2: Bartlett's periodograms of a Gaussian white noise (see Question ??).

The variance indeed reduced as the fill area is tighter than before.

## 4 Data study

### 4.1 General information

**Context.** The study of human gait is a central problem in medical research with far-reaching consequences in the public health domain. This complex mechanism can be altered by a wide range of pathologies (such as Parkinson's disease, arthritis, stroke,...), often resulting in a significant loss of autonomy and an increased risk of fall. Understanding the influence of such medical disorders on a subject's gait would greatly facilitate early detection and prevention of those possibly harmful situations. To address these issues, clinical and bio-mechanical researchers have worked to objectively quantify gait characteristics.

Among the gait features that have proved their relevance in a medical context, several are linked to the notion of step (step duration, variation in step length, etc.), which can be seen as the core atom of the locomotion process. Many algorithms have therefore been developed to automatically (or semi-automatically) detect gait events (such as heel-strikes, heel-off, etc.) from accelerometer and gyrometer signals.

**Data.** Data are described in the associated notebook.

## 4.2 Step classification with the dynamic time warping (DTW) distance

**Task.** The objective is to classify footsteps then walk signals between healthy and non-healthy.

**Performance metric.** The performance of this binary classification task is measured by the F-score.

### Question 10

Combine the DTW and a k-neighbors classifier to classify each step. Find the optimal number of neighbors with 5-fold cross-validation and report the optimal number of neighbors and the associated F-score. Comment briefly.

### Answer 10

We find that  $k = 5$  gives the best results with a F-score of 0.867925 for the training set and 0.454545 for the test set. In fact, if we take a look at the distribution of the test samples then we see that  $\simeq \frac{5}{6}$  of the samples are non-healthy. Because of this unbalance, the F1-score on the test set is not better than a dummy model that predicts 0 or 1 with a certain probability. So the model seems to overfit the training data which may come from the fact that  $k$  is small and we have relatively few training samples.

### Question 11

Display on Figure ?? a badly classified step from each class (healthy / non-healthy).

### Answer 11

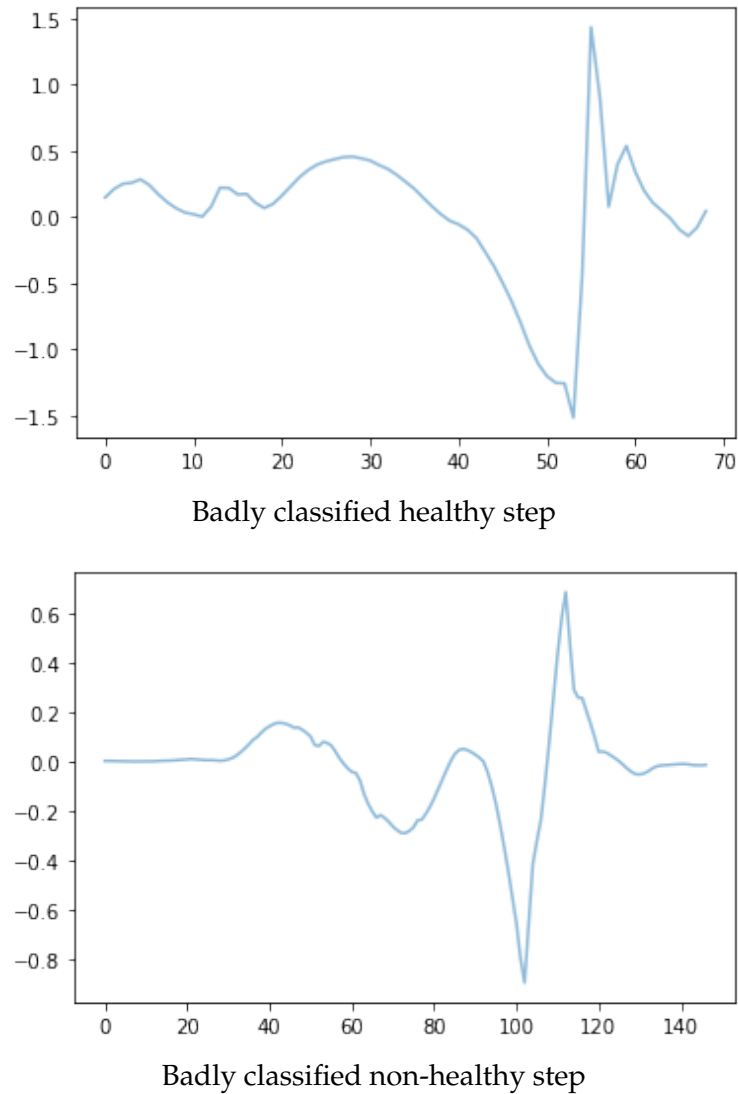


Figure 3: Examples of badly classified steps (see Question ??).