

FAST COMPUTATION OF WAVELET  
COEFFICIENTS COVARIANCE MATRIX OF A  
GENERALIZED LONG MEMORY PROCESS.  
APPLICATION

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- 2 **Application** to the calibration of generalized ARFIMA processes which includes
  - long-memory processes
  - both stationary and non-stationary processes

by a **Maximum-Likelihood (ML) approach in the wavelet domain.**

**Problem:** when the process is not stationary, the ML approach is untractable since the covariance matrix of the process is not defined.

**Our contribution:** for  $K$ -th order stationary process, we are able to provide a ML estimation of the ARFIMA coefficients.

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# Computation of the covariance matrix for a $K$ -th order difference stationary process $X$

Define

- the first order difference process  $\Delta X$ :  $[\Delta X]_n \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} X_n - X_{n-1}$
- the  $K$ -th order difference process  $\Delta^K$ :  $\Delta^K \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Delta \circ \Delta^{K-1}$

## Definition 1

$X$  is a  $K$ -th order difference stationary process if  $\Delta^K X$  is stationary.

For a  $K$ -th order difference stationary process  $X$

- there exist **non-iterative** (and thus “greedy”) algorithms for the computation of the covariance matrix see e.g. (Percival and al 2000)
- we provide an **iterative** algorithm.



# Algorithm (KMR,2010)

- INPUT**
- the covariance of the stationary process  $\Delta^K X$ .
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# How to compute the filters $h_M$ and $g_M$ ?

Intuition: When  $X$  is stationary, given a wavelet function with  $M$  vanishing moments, there exist quadrature mirror filters  $g_0$  and  $h_0$  such that

Pyramidal algorithm Mallat,[1998]

$$A_{0,k} = X_k, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z},$$

$$A_{j,k} = [\downarrow^2 (h_0 * A_{j-1,\cdot})]_k, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}, j \geq 1,$$

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Intuition: When  $X$   **$M$ -th order difference stationary**, given a wavelet function **with at least  $M$  vanishing moments**

adapted Pyramidal algorithm (KMR, 2010)

$$A_{0,k}^{(M)} = [\Delta^M X]_k, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z},$$

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Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned}W_{j,k} &= \left[ \downarrow^2 (g_0 * A_{j-1, \cdot}) \right]_k \\ &= \left[ \downarrow^2 \left( \mathbf{\Delta}^M g_M * A_{j-1, \cdot} \right) \right]_k = \left[ \downarrow^2 \left( g_M * \mathbf{\Delta}^M A_{j-1, \cdot} \right) \right]_k \\ &= \left[ \downarrow^2 \left( g_M * A_{j-1, \cdot}^M \right) \right]_k\end{aligned}$$

# Conclusion

- INPUT
- the covariance of the stationary process  $\Delta^K X$ .
  - a wavelet function with  $M \geq K$  vanishing moments
  - filters  $h_M, g_M$  computed by the formula

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where  $h_0, g_0$  are the quadrature mirror filters associated to the wavelet function and computed through the Pyramidal algorithm of Mallat [1998]

- $K$  the number of differentiation of  $X$

OUTPUT covariance matrix of the wavelet coefficients of the  $M$ -th order difference stationary process  $X$ .

# Maximum Likelihood method in the wavelet domain

For the estimation of the parameters of a  $M$ -th order difference stationary or stationary ARFIMA process  $X$ ,

- 1 in the parametric case
- 2 in the semi-parametric case

we apply algorithms that rely on the covariance of the wavelet coefficients of  $X$ . We thus compute this matrix by applying our algorithm to estimate the parameters in the ARFIMA  $(p, d, q)$  model.

In the semi-parametric case, we also run for comparison the *Local Whittle Wavelet* (LWW) estimator of the memory parameter  $d$ .

# Parametric case

Two experiences :

- 1  $n = 1024$  samples of a ARFIMA(0,  $d$ , 0)
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  - for different values of  $d$ : include both stationary and non stationary cases
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## Likelihood experiments

		n = 1024 ARFIMA(0, d, 0) $\sigma^2 = 1$								
d	-0.8	-0.4	0	0.2	0.6	1	1.6	2	2.6	
Sample mean( $\hat{d}$ )	-0.79	-0.39	0.002	0.19	0.603	1.007	1.59	1.99	2.588	-
Sample SD( $\hat{d}$ )	0.0265	0.029	0.028	0.026	0.029	0.027	0.027	0.027	0.028	0.024
Sample mean( $\hat{\sigma}^2$ )	0.99	0.99	1.002	0.98	1.003	0.99	1.002	1.003	0.99	-
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d	-0.8	-0.4	0	0.2	0.6	1	1.6	2	2.6	
Sample mean( $\hat{d}$ )	-0.780	-0.38	0.0061	0.18	0.61	1.021	1.609	1.98	2.64	
Sample SD( $\hat{d}$ )	0.037	0.034	0.031	0.035	0.032	0.038	0.033	0.032	0.039	
Sample mean( $\hat{\phi}$ )	0.79	0.78	0.81	0.802	0.78	0.76	0.79	0.78	0.75	
Sample SD( $\hat{\phi}$ )	0.042	0.042	0.041	0.04	0.041	0.042	0.042	0.041	0.043	
Sample mean( $\hat{\theta}$ )	0.48	0.47	0.503	0.51	0.506	0.47	0.49	0.505	0.41	
Sample SD( $\hat{\theta}$ )	0.069	0.070	0.071	0.069	0.067	0.069	0.068	0.067	0.071	
Sample mean( $\hat{\sigma}^2$ )	0.997	1.008	0.99	0.99	1.007	0.99	0.98	0.99	0.98	
Sample SD( $\hat{\sigma}^2$ )	0.045	0.046	0.045	0.045	0.045	0.046	0.045	0.045	0.048	

ARFIMA(p, d, q) model using wavelet domain.

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## Experience:

- $n = 4096$  of an ARFIMA(0,  $d$ , 0)
- $J_2 = 9$  and  $J_1 = 3, 4, 5$  for  $d \in \{-0.8 \dots, 1.6\}$
- $J_2 = 8$  and  $J_1 = 3, 4, 5$  for  $d \in \{2, 2.6\}$
- we estimate the memory parameter  $d$  from scale  $J_1$  to scale  $J_2$

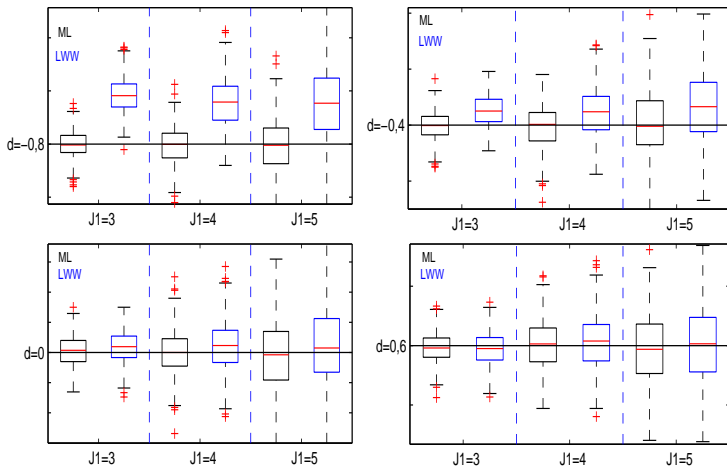
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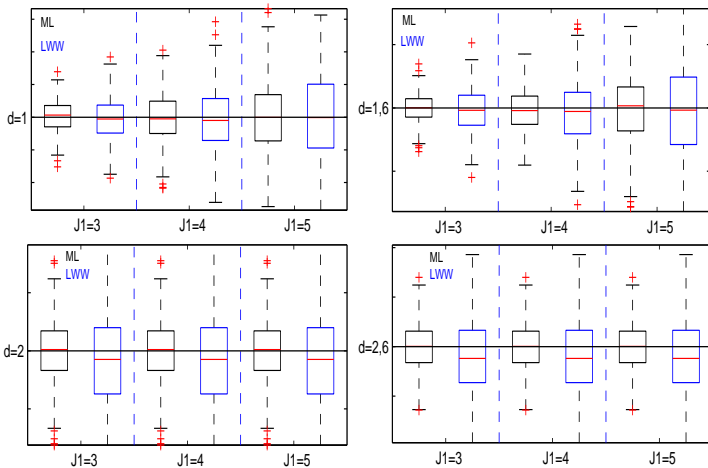
## ML vs LWW

		$n = 4096, J_2 = 8, 9$								
		ARFIMA(0, $d$ , 0)				$\sigma^2 = 1$				
$d$		-0.8	-0.4	0	0.2	0.6	1	1.6	2	2.6
$J_1 = 3$	$\hat{d}^{\text{ML}}$	-0.802	-0.401	0.002	0.200	0.596	1.002	1.599	1.999	2.59
	MSE <sup>ML</sup>	0.0014	0.001	$2e^{-3}$	$4e^{-5}$	0.006	0.001	$1e^{-3}$	$7e^{-4}$	0.001
	$\hat{d}^{\text{LWW}}$	-0.71	-0.37	0.008	0.204	0.59	0.99	1.59	1.99	2.58
	MSE <sup>LWW</sup>	4.14	0.32	0.03	0.007	0.01	0.005	0.003	0.04	0.05
$J_1 = 4$	$\hat{d}^{\text{ML}}$	-0.803	-0.402	$2e^{-3}$	0.199	0.602	0.998	1.596	1.999	2.596
	MSE <sup>ML</sup>	0.003	0.002	$2e^{-5}$	$5e^{-5}$	$2e^{-3}$	$8e^{-4}$	0.006	$3e^{-4}$	0.056
	$\hat{d}^{\text{LWW}}$	-0.72	-0.38	0.01	0.205	0.606	0.99	1.59	1.99	2.59
	MSE <sup>LWW</sup>	3.0	0.24	0.05	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.036
$J_1 = 5$	$\hat{d}^{\text{ML}}$	-0.801	-0.401	$9e^{-3}$	0.192	0.599	0.998	1.596	1.999	2.598
	MSE <sup>ML</sup>	0.003	$5e^{-4}$	$9e^{-4}$	0.002	$3e^{-4}$	$9e^{-4}$	$5e^{-3}$	$5e^{-4}$	$1e^{-3}$
	$\hat{d}^{\text{LWW}}$	-0.72	-0.37	0.01	0.203	0.603	0.99	1.59	1.98	2.58
	MSE <sup>LWW</sup>	3.42	0.32	0.001	0.001	$5e^{-3}$	0.01	0.02	0.11	0.053

**Table:** Comparison of the MSE of ML vs LWW on 1000 independent replication of ARFIMA(0,  $d$ , 0).



**Figure:** 1- Comparison of ML and LWW estimators of the memory parameter  $d$  of an ARFIMA(0,  $d$ , 0) in a semi-parametric frame.



**Figure:** 2- Comparison of ML and LWW estimators of the memory parameter  $d$  of an ARFIMA(0,  $d$ , 0) in a semi-parametric frame.



# Conclusion

- We have derived **an iterative algorithm** for the computation of wavelet coefficients covariance matrix that allow us to work **beyond the stationary regime**.
- When applied to the estimation of the parameters of an generalized ARFIMA( $p, d, q$ ) model
  - in the parametric case: we provide an exact maximum likelihood in wavelet domain.
  - in the semi parametric framework, the estimation of  $d$  by  $\hat{d}^{\text{ML}}(J_1, J_2)$  yields better results than the one obtain by  $\hat{d}^{\text{LWW}}(J_1, J_2)$  in the first case, we obtain smaller MSE than in the second.

*Inference of a generalized long memory process in the wavelet domain.*

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