# Detecting changes in second order structure within oceanographic time series

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### Motivation

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- Interested in detecting start and end of storm season
- Unknown dependence structure changing over time
- Cyclic mean



# Changepoint recap

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For data  $y_1, \ldots, y_n$ , if a changepoint exists at  $\tau$ , then  $y_1, \ldots, y_\tau$  differ from  $y_{\tau+1}, \ldots, y_n$  in some way.

There are many different types of changes.



### Change in second order structure

The traditional hypothesis, for some lag, v,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H_0} &: \operatorname{cov} (X_0, X_{0-\nu}) = \operatorname{cov} (X_1, X_{1-\nu}) = \ldots = \operatorname{cov} (X_{n-1}, X_{n-1-\nu}) = \rho_{0,\nu} \\ \mathbf{H_1} &: \rho_{1,\nu} = \operatorname{cov} (X_0, X_{0-\nu}) = \ldots = \operatorname{cov} (X_{\tau}, X_{\tau-\nu}) \\ &\neq \operatorname{cov} (X_{\tau+1}, X_{\tau+1-\nu}) = \ldots = \operatorname{cov} (X_{n-1}, X_{n-1-\nu}) = \rho_{n,\nu}. \end{aligned}$$

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Likelihood-Based test statistic

$$\lambda = \max_{\tau} \frac{L(y_{1:n}, \tau | \rho_{1,v}, \rho_{n,v}, \theta)}{L(y_{1:n} | \rho_{0,v}, \theta)}.$$

Methods exist that make structural assumptions about the covariance to get  $L(\cdot)$ , e.g. piecewise AR.

# Locally Stationary Wavelet Model

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#### Locally Stationary Wavelet Model

$$X_{t,n} = \sum_{j} \sum_{k} W_{j} \left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \psi_{j,k-t} \xi_{jk}.$$

Relevant assumptions:

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$$\mathbb{E}\xi_{jk} = 0$$
,  $\operatorname{cov}(\xi_{jk}, \xi_{lm}) = \delta_{jl}\delta_{km}$ 

- We assume that the  $\xi_{jk} \sim Normal$
- Hence  $\mathbb{E}X_t = 0$ , i.e. remove any mean or trend before analysis
- Bounded total variation condition on the  $W_i^2(\cdot)$ .

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Reasons for using LSW:

- Models the local structure as it changes over time
- Has a more general covariance structure than other time series models
- Piecewise constant covariance structure  $\implies$  p.c. spectrum

# Wavelet Likelihood Method

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is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{0}} &: W_{j}^{2}\left(\frac{0}{n}\right) = W_{j}^{2}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \ldots = W_{j}^{2}\left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right) = \gamma_{0,j} \qquad \forall j \\ \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{1}} &: \gamma_{1,j} = W_{j}^{2}\left(\frac{0}{n}\right) = \ldots = W_{j}^{2}\left(\frac{\tau}{n}\right) \neq W_{j}^{2}\left(\frac{\tau+1}{n}\right) = \ldots = W_{j}^{2}\left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right) = \gamma_{n,j}, \\ \text{for some } j \in \{1, 2, \ldots, J = \log_{2} n\}. \end{aligned}$$

Image: A matrix and a matrix

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$$X_{t,n} = \sum_{j} \sum_{k} W_{j} \left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \psi_{j,k-t} \xi_{jk}.$$

If  $\xi$  are Gaussian then,

$$\ell(W|\mathbf{x}) = rac{n}{2}\log 2\pi - rac{1}{2}\log |\Sigma_W| - rac{1}{2}\mathbf{x}'\Sigma_W^{-1}\mathbf{x},$$

where the variance-covariance matrix,  $\Sigma_W$ , has the following form:

$$\Sigma_W(k,k') = \operatorname{cov}(X_k,X_{k'}) = \sum_l \sum_m W_l^2\left(\frac{m}{n}\right) \psi_{l,m-k} \psi_{l,m-k'}.$$

$$\lambda_{\tau} = \max_{J < \tau < n-J} \left\{ \log \left| \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_0 \right| + \mathbf{x}' \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_0^{-1} \mathbf{x} - \log \left| \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_1 \right| - \mathbf{x}' \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_1^{-1} \mathbf{x} \right\}.$$

Here  $\hat{\Sigma}_0$  and  $\hat{\Sigma}_1$  have elements,

$$\begin{split} \hat{\Sigma}_{0}(k,k') &= \sum_{I} \sum_{m} \hat{\gamma}_{0,I} \psi_{I,m-k} \psi_{I,m-k'}, \\ \hat{\Sigma}_{1}(k,k') &= \sum_{I} \sum_{m \leq \tau} \hat{\gamma}_{1,I} \psi_{I,m-k} \psi_{I,m-k'} + \sum_{m > \tau} \hat{\gamma}_{n,I} \psi_{I,m-k} \psi_{I,m-k'}, \end{split}$$

# Simulation Study

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We compare with

- AutoPARM (AP) Davis, Lee, Rodriguez, Yam (2006)
  - Piecewise AR models
  - Likelihood ratio test statistic
  - Minimum Description Length Penalty
- CF Cho, Fryzlewicz (2011)
  - LSW model with Gaussian innovations
  - Designed to stabilize variance prior to changepoint estimation
  - Non-parametric test statistic

Important measures,

- Number of changepoints identified
- Location of changepoints

#### Stationary AR Model

$$X_t = aX_{t-1} + \epsilon_t \qquad \text{for } 1 \le t \le 1024.$$

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no. cpts	WL	CF	AP	WL	CF	AP	WL	CF	AP	WL	CF	AP
0	100	71	100	100	89	100	100	94	100	91	92	100
1	0	24	0	0	11	0	0	5	0	9	7	0
$\geq 2$	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0

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### Simulation Results

#### Piecewise AR Models

$$B \qquad X_t = \begin{cases} 0.9X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t & \text{if } 1 \le t \le 512, \\ 1.68X_{t-1} - 0.81X_{t-2} + \epsilon_t & \text{if } 513 \le t \le 768, \\ 1.32X_{t-1} - 0.81X_{t-2} + \epsilon_t & \text{if } 769 \le t \le 1024, \end{cases}$$

$$C \qquad X_t = \begin{cases} 0.4X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t & \text{if } 1 \le t \le 400, \\ -0.6X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t & \text{if } 401 \le t \le 612, \\ 0.5X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t & \text{if } 613 \le t \le 1024, \end{cases}$$

$$D \qquad X_t = \begin{cases} 0.75X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t & \text{if } 1 \le t \le 50, \\ -0.5X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t & \text{if } 51 \le t \le 1024. \end{cases}$$

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### Simulation Results

#### Models

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{E} \qquad X_t = \begin{cases} 1.399X_{t-1} - 0.4X_{t-2} + \epsilon_t, & \epsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 0.8^2) & \text{if } 1 \leq t \leq 400, \\ 0.999X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t, & \epsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1.2^2) & \text{if } 401 \leq t \leq 750, \\ 0.699X_{t-1} + 0.3X_{t-2} + \epsilon_t & \epsilon_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1) & \text{if } 751 \leq t \leq 1024. \end{cases} \\ \mathbf{F} \qquad X_t = \begin{cases} 0.7X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t + 0.6\epsilon_{t-1} & \text{if } 1 \leq t \leq 125, \\ 0.3X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t + 0.3\epsilon_{t-1} & \text{if } 126 \leq t \leq 352, \\ 0.9X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t & \text{if } 353 \leq t \leq 704, \\ 0.1X_{t-1} + \epsilon_t - 0.5\epsilon_{t-1} & \text{if } 705 \leq t \leq 1024. \end{cases} \\ \mathbf{G} \qquad X_t = \begin{cases} \epsilon_t + 0.8\epsilon_{t-1} & \text{if } 1 \leq t \leq 128, \\ \epsilon_t + 1.68\epsilon_{t-1} - 0.81\epsilon_{t-2} & \text{if } 129 \leq t \leq 256, \end{cases} \end{split}$$

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### Simulation Results



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# Oceanographic Example

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- Significant Wave Heights at a Central North Sea location
- March 1992 December 1994
- First difference to remove the mean

### Application to North Sea Wave Heights



Black - WL Red - AP Blue - CF

Ocean Engineers when presented with the results preferred the WL estimates.

# Summary

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- Demonstrated why changes in second order structure are important
- Developed a method that:
  - has less restrictive assumptions than existing likelihood-based methods
  - performs on par with existing likelihood-based methods for AR models
  - is useful in practice when the covariance structure is unknown

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