

On the equality of the PSD and the LS-HE T-test statistics

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Here we show that the T-test statistics of the LS-HE can include the PSD (of Fourier Transform) as a special case. The T-test statistic is obtained using the following formula

$$T = \hat{e}_0^T Q_y^{-1} C (C^T Q_y^{-1} P_A^\perp C)^{-1} C^T Q_y^{-1} \hat{e}_0$$

where y is the vector of time series observations, $\hat{e}_0 = P_A^\perp y$ is the least squares residuals under the null hypothesis H_0 , P_A^\perp is an orthogonal projector, Q_y is the covariance matrix of observations, and C is a matrix containing two columns of sin and cos, as the signal to be tested. This test statistic, having chi-square distribution, can be tested in a given confidence level (2 is the columns of C)

$$T \sim \chi^2(2, 0)$$

A special case of the above formula can deal with a zero-mean time series. For this situation, the design matrix A is not present, so $A = 0$ and therefore $P_A^\perp = I$ is an identity matrix. This will then give $\hat{e}_0 = y$. Further simplification regards the situation where the time series consist of unit white noise resulting in $Q_y = I$. The T-test statistics become then

$$T = y^T C (C^T C)^{-1} C^T y$$

This can, in fact, be shown to be identical to the multiplication of PSD by a factor of 2, i.e. as

$$T(k) = 2S_{yy}(k) = \frac{2}{m\Delta t} |Y(k)|^2$$

Proof. To be consistent with the PSD of the week ‘Signal Processing’, we consider the time series as $y = [y_0, y_1, \dots, y_{m-1}]$ at time instances $y = [t_0, t_1, \dots, t_{m-1}] = [0, 1, \dots, m-1]$. We then have $T = m\Delta t = m$. The matrix C is then as follows:

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \omega t_0 & \sin \omega t_0 \\ \cos \omega t_1 & \sin \omega t_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \cos \omega t_{m-1} & \sin \omega t_{m-1} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos 0\omega & \sin 0\omega \\ \cos \omega & \sin \omega \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \cos(m-1)\omega & \sin(m-1)\omega \end{bmatrix}$$

which gives

$$C^T C = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \cos^2(i\omega) & \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sin(i\omega) \cos(i\omega) \\ \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sin(i\omega) \cos(i\omega) & \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sin^2(i\omega) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} CC & CS \\ CS & SS \end{bmatrix}$$

We then define the following frequencies as we have in Fourier Transform (note that LS-HE does not this requirement, so in principle any frequency can be tested):

$$\omega_k = 2\pi f_k = 2\pi \frac{k}{T} = \frac{2\pi k}{m}, k = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$$

We therefore have

$$CS(\omega_k) = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi i k}{m}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi i k}{m}\right)$$

Using the identity

$$\sin(a) \cos(a) = \frac{1}{2} \sin(2a)$$

it follows that

$$cs(\omega_k) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sin\left(\frac{4\pi i k}{m}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2ik}{m}\right)$$

or (let us assume m is an even number, when m is odd a similar procedure can be repeated)

$$cs(\omega_k) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2ik}{m}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=\frac{m}{2}}^{m-1} \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2ik}{m}\right)$$

or

$$cs(\omega_k) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2ik}{m}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2(i + \frac{m}{2})k}{m}\right)$$

or

$$cs(\omega_k) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2ik}{m}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2ik + mk}{m}\right)$$

or

$$cs(\omega_k) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2ik}{m}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \sin\left(2\pi k + 2\pi \frac{2ik}{m}\right)$$

which gives

$$cs(\omega_k) = \sum_{i=0}^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2ik}{m}\right)$$

We know that $\sin(2\pi \frac{2ik}{m})$ at $i = 0$ is zero and therefore

$$cs(\omega_k) = \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{m}{2}-1} \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2ik}{m}\right)$$

Writing out the series as (put some of the terms together: the first and last terms, the second and the last but one, ...), we will have

$$cs(\omega_k) = \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2k}{m}\right) + \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2(\frac{m}{2}-1)k}{m}\right) + \sin\left(2\pi \frac{4k}{m}\right) + \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2(\frac{m}{2}-2)k}{m}\right) + \dots$$

or

$$cs(\omega_k) = \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2k}{m}\right) + \sin\left(2k\pi - 2\pi \frac{2k}{m}\right) + \sin\left(2\pi \frac{4k}{m}\right) + \sin\left(2k\pi - 2\pi \frac{4k}{m}\right) + \dots$$

Using the identity $\sin(2k\pi - \alpha) = -\sin(\alpha)$ we have

$$cs(\omega_k) = \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2k}{m}\right) - \sin\left(2\pi \frac{2k}{m}\right) + \sin\left(2\pi \frac{4k}{m}\right) - \sin\left(2\pi \frac{4k}{m}\right) + \dots = 0 + 0 + \dots = 0$$

In a similar manner we can prove that

$$cc(\omega_k) = ss(\omega_k) = \frac{m}{2}$$

which gives

$$\begin{bmatrix} cc & cs \\ cs & ss \end{bmatrix} = \frac{m}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} cc & cs \\ cs & ss \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{2}{m} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can also simply show that

$$C^T y = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} y_i \cos\left(\frac{2\pi i k}{m}\right) \\ \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} y_i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi i k}{m}\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

which gives

$$T(\omega_k) = y^T C (C^T C)^{-1} C^T y$$

and finally, it results in

$$T(\omega_k) = T(k) = \frac{2}{m} \left(\left(\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} y_i \cos\left(\frac{2\pi i k}{m}\right) \right)^2 + \left(\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} y_i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi i k}{m}\right) \right)^2 \right)$$

The Power Spectral Density (PSD) is obtained as

$$S_{yy}(k) = \frac{1}{m\Delta t} |Y(k)|^2 = \frac{1}{m} |Y(k)|^2$$

where $Y(k)$ is the Fourier Transform of y

$$Y(k) = Y_k = \Delta t \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} y_i e^{-j\frac{2\pi k i}{m}} = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} y_i e^{-j\frac{2\pi k i}{m}}$$

Using the Euler formula $e^{j\theta} = \cos \theta + j \sin \theta$, we have

$$Y(k) = Y_k = \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \left(y_i \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k i}{m}\right) - j y_i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k i}{m}\right) \right)$$

or

$$Y(k) = Y_k = \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} y_i \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k i}{m}\right) - j \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} y_i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k i}{m}\right)$$

This will then give

$$S_{yy}(k) = \frac{1}{m} |Y(k)|^2 = \frac{1}{m} \left(\sum_{t=1}^m y_t \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k t}{m}\right) \right)^2 + \frac{1}{m} \left(\sum_{t=1}^m y_t \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k t}{m}\right) \right)^2$$

When compared with

$$T(k) = \frac{2}{m} \left(\left(\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} y_i \cos\left(\frac{2\pi i k}{m}\right) \right)^2 + \left(\sum_{i=0}^{m-1} y_i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi i k}{m}\right) \right)^2 \right)$$

It follows that

$$T(k) = 2S_{yy}(k)$$