# Anti-leakage least-squares spectral analysis for data regularization

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- Irregularly sampled (unequally spaced) data series
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- Anti-leakage LSSA
- > Application in seismic trace interpolation
- Conclusion





#### An irregularly spaced data series (red dots)

Consider the following function, where the  $x_{\ell}$ 's are 128 random numbers in [0,1].

 $f(x_{\ell}) = 5\sin(25.6 x_{\ell}) + 2.5 \sin(128 x_{\ell} + 1) + \sqrt{3} \sin(140 x_{\ell}) + \sqrt{2} + \pi x_{\ell}$ 



#### Least-squares spectral analysis (LSSA)

- The LSSA estimates a frequency spectrum based on the leastsquares fit of sinusoids to data series.
- Unlike the Fourier analysis, the LSSA considers the correlations among the sine and cosine basis functions for each frequency.
- In the LSSA, for each frequency, we fit the sinusoids of that frequency to the data series.





### Orthogonality (correlation) of sinusoidal basis functions









Let  $f = [f(x_{\ell})]$  be a column vector of *n* samples, where the  $x_{\ell}$ 's may

be irregularly spaced. For each frequency  $\omega_k$ , we minimize the cost

function  $\psi(\boldsymbol{c}_k) = (\boldsymbol{f} - \boldsymbol{\phi}_k \boldsymbol{c}_k)^T (\boldsymbol{f} - \boldsymbol{\phi}_k \boldsymbol{c}_k)$ , where *T* is transpose and  $\boldsymbol{\phi}_k$ 

is the following  $n \times 2$  design matrix:

$$\boldsymbol{\phi}_k = [\cos(2\pi\omega_k x_\ell) \quad \sin(2\pi\omega_k x_\ell)].$$

The least-squares spectrum (frequency-amplitude) is defined as:

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{c}_k} = \left(\boldsymbol{\phi}_k^T \boldsymbol{\phi}_k\right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{\phi}_k^T \boldsymbol{f}$$





#### Least-squares spectral analysis

The least-squares spectrum (variance or energy) is defined as:

$$s(\omega_k) = \frac{\boldsymbol{f}^T \boldsymbol{\phi}_k \hat{\boldsymbol{c}}_k}{\boldsymbol{f}^T \boldsymbol{f}} \in (0,1)$$

that is the ratio of estimated signal to the total (the sum of estimated signal and noise) and follows the beta distribution.



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### Orthogonality (correlation) of sinusoids of different frequencies







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In the LSSA, each frequency is examined separately!

Therefore, the correlations among the sinusoids of different frequencies are not considered.

What can we do to account for these correlations?





#### Anti-leakage least-squares spectral analysis

- We can add the sinusoids of different frequencies to the **design** matrix by an iterative method.
- In the iterative method, the sinusoids of a frequency that present highest energy in the spectrum will be added to the design matrix first.
- The iterative method stops when there is no significant peak at 95% confidence level (commonly used) in the residual data spectrum.





#### Example 1: The irregularly spaced data series







### Example 1: Least-squares spectrum (variance) of the data series







#### Example 1: Iterations in the anti-leakage LSSA

Iteration number	1 <sup>st</sup> frequency	2 <sup>nd</sup> frequency	3 <sup>rd</sup> frequency	Norm of residual
First	4.0384			23.5040
Second	4.0384	20.3057		13.3170
Third	4.0384	20.3057	22.2947	3.5079
Fourth	4.0748	20.3057	22.2947	2.2501
Fifth	4.0748	20.3708	22.2947	0.3068
Sixth	4.0748	20.3708	22.2818	0.0468
Seventh	4.0748	20.3718	22.2818	0.0319
Eighth (final)	4.0744	20.3718	22.2818	0.0036



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#### Example 1: Least-squares spectrum (LSS) and Anti-leakage LSS

Before

After





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FACULTY OF SCIENCE Department of Geoscience The irregularly spaced data series (red dots) and its interpolation result (blue dots)





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#### Application (Seismic trace interpolation)





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#### Example 2: A synthetic seismic data containing four events





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#### Example 3: A synthetic seismic data containing four events





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### Example 3:







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#### (d) The difference between (a) and (c)

#### Example 3: Examining trace #70 (as an example)



#### Without noise

With Gaussian white noise

The Interpolation result

#### The difference



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#### Conclusion

- The anti-leakage LSSA is a very accurate method to regularize an irregularly spaced data series when it is stationary.
- ➤ The proposed method is able to detect signals from noise up to a certain confidence level (usually 95%).
- The FFT is computationally faster than the anti-leakage LSSA; however, we cannot use the FFT here as our data series are irregularly spaced.





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