Statistics of Normalized Data In Electrical Impedance Tomography

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Formulation of the Problem

- Underlying probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$.
- Ω denotes the sample space, \mathcal{F} is a sigma field on Ω , and $\mathbb{P}: \mathcal{F} \to [0,1]$ is the probability measure.
- Raw Measurements represent a discrete time stochastic process $\mathbf{v}: \Omega \times \mathbb{N}^+ \to \mathbb{R}^M$.
- Normalization

$$\delta v_{i}[k] = \frac{v_{i}[k]}{v_{i}[k_{0}]} - 1; \qquad 1 \le i \le M$$
 (1)

As a result of the division, the statistics of Normalized
 Measurements differs to that of the Raw Measurements.

Motivation of the Study (1/2)

- The covariance matrix of normalized data $C_{\delta v}[k]$ features explicitly in the expressions for image reconstruction.
- One Step Gauss-Newton Reconstructor;

$$\delta \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = (\mathbf{J}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{C}_{\delta \mathbf{v}}^{-1} \mathbf{J} + \mathbf{C}_{\delta \boldsymbol{\sigma}}^{-1})^{-1} \mathbf{J}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{C}_{\delta \mathbf{v}}^{-1} \delta \mathbf{V}$$
 (2)

- Bayesian Filtering (Kalman, Extended Kalman,...).
- Cramér Rao Bound Analysis.
- Spikes: The 1st and 2nd order moments do NOT exist, (i.e $\mathbb{E}(\delta v_i) = \pm \infty$, and $VAR(\delta v_i) = \infty$).

Motivation of the Study (2/2)

If $(\mathbb{E}(\delta v_i) < \infty) \wedge (\mathrm{VAR}(\delta v_i) < \infty)$, then the **objective** is to compute $C_{\delta v}[k]$ as defined below:

$$[C_{\delta v}[k]]_{i,j} = \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{v_i[k]}{v_i[k_0]}\frac{v_j[k]}{v_j[k_0]}\right)\right] - \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{v_i[k]}{v_i[k_0]}\right]\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{v_j[k]}{v_j[k_0]}\right]$$
(3)

- we assume that we know the statistics of our discretely sampled RAW data i.e (i) knowledge of the noise level in the hardware, (ii) problem under study.
- If we do not know how to measure and how to characterize the statistics of our raw signals, then we should attempt to solve that problem as well.

Taylor Series Expansion (option slide)

- Recalling, that random variables are **measurable** functions $X:(\Omega,\mathcal{F})\to (\mathbb{R},\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})).$
- Consider a differentiable function $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$, and the random variable pair (Z, W). The function is defined below by

$$F(Z,W):=\frac{Z}{W}$$

• $Z = \mu_z + dZ$, and $W = \mu_w + dW$. Where, $dZ = Z - \mu_z$, $dW = W - \mu_w$.

$$F(Z, W) = F(\mu_z, \mu_w) + F_z(\mu_z, \mu_w) dZ + F_w(\mu_z, \mu_w) dW$$
$$+ F_{z,w} dZ \cdot dW + F_{w,w} (\mu_z, \mu_w) \frac{(dW)^2}{2!} + \text{H.O.T}$$

Statistics of Normalized Data (1/3)

After algebra and the expectation operation

$$\mathbb{E}(\delta v_i) = \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{Z}{W}\right] - 1 \simeq \frac{\mu_z}{\mu_w} - \frac{\sigma_z \sigma_w \rho_{z,w}}{\mu_w^2} + \frac{\mu_z}{\mu_w^3} \sigma_w^2 - 1 \quad (4)$$

• It is worth recalling $VAR(\delta v_i) = \mathbb{E}[(\delta v_i - \mathbb{E}[\delta v_i])^2]$

$$\mathbb{E}[(\delta v_i - \mathbb{E}[\delta v_i])^2] = \mathbb{E}[(\delta v_i)^2] - (\mathbb{E}[(\delta v_i)])^2$$

$$VAR(\delta v_i) = VAR\left(\frac{Z}{W} - 1\right) \simeq \frac{\sigma_z^2}{\mu_w^2} - 2\left(\frac{\mu_z \sigma_z \sigma_w \rho_{z,w}}{\mu_w^3}\right) + \frac{\mu_z^2 \sigma_w^2}{\mu_w^4} \tag{5}$$

Statistics of Normalized Data (2/3)

If $(\mathbb{E}(\delta v_i) < \infty) \wedge (VAR(\delta v_i) < \infty)$, then recall:

$$[C_{\delta v}[k]]_{i,j} = \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{v_i[k]}{v_i[k_0]}\frac{v_j[k]}{v_i[k_0]}\right)\right] - \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{v_i[k]}{v_i[k_0]}\right] \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{v_j[k]}{v_j[k_0]}\right]$$
(6)

We have the following product pair (v_i[k]v_j[k], v_i[k₀]v_j[k₀]).
 We must, first compute the mean, variance and the correlation coefficient of this product pair.

Statistics of Normalized Data (3/3)

Let $X_1 = v_i[k], X_2 = v_j[k], X_3 = v_i[k_0], X_4 = v_j[k_0], Z = X_1X_2$, and $W = X_3X_4$.

The expression for Var(Z), is given below by

$$\sigma_{z}^{2} = (\mu_{1}\sigma_{2})^{2} + 2\mu_{1}\mu_{2}\sigma_{1,2} + (\mu_{2}\sigma_{1})^{2} + (\sigma_{1}\sigma_{2})^{2} + \sigma_{1,2}^{2}$$
 (7)

By inspection, Var(W) reads as

$$\sigma_w^2 = (\mu_3 \sigma_4)^2 + 2\mu_3 \mu_4 \sigma_{3,4} + (\mu_4 \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 \sigma_4)^2 + \sigma_{3,4}^2$$
 (8)

The expression for Cov(Z, W), is given below by

$$\sigma_{z,w} = \mu_1 \mu_3 \sigma_{2,4} + \mu_1 \mu_4 \sigma_{2,3} + \mu_2 \mu_3 \sigma_{1,4} + \mu_2 \mu_4 \sigma_{1,3} + \sigma_{1,3} \sigma_{2,4} + \sigma_{1,4} \sigma_{2,3}$$
(9)

Results and Discussions

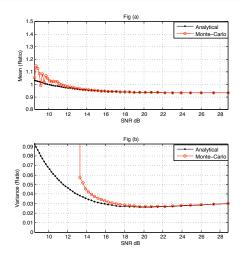


Figure: This figure shows the first and second order moments of the ratio Z/W as a function of $20 \log \frac{\mu_w}{\sigma_w}$ on the x-axis.

Conclusions

- We derived closed form expressions for computing the first and second order statistics of the normalized data, and validated it using a simple Monte-Carlo procedure.
- These expressions are accurate provided that the signal to noise ratio of the reference measurement is above 16 dB.
- In order to guarantee accuracy in the reconstructed images, the minimum SNR of the reference measurement should be above 13 dB($|\mu_w| > 4\sigma_w$.).