freedom and noncentral parameter $\tau = (1/2) \text{tr} [D_2^2],$

\[
J_{ab} = \Sigma_0^{1/2} \left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi^a} \right) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \xi^b} \right) \cdots \Sigma(\xi)^{-1} \right] \xi - \xi_0^{1/2},
\]

$G = (g_{ab})$, $g_{ab} = (1/2) \text{tr} [J_a J_b]$ $(a,b = 1, \ldots, q),$

$G^{-1} = (g^{ab})$, $D_\Delta = \Delta - (1/2)J_a g^{ab} \text{tr} [J_b \Delta].$

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\[ X_t = F(X_{t-\tau}, \ldots, X_{t-d\tau}) + \varepsilon_t, \]

where $d$ and $\tau$ are unknown positive integers and $F: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$ is unknown nonlinear function such that $\{Y_t\}$ is ergodic, where $Y_t = F(Y_{t-1}, \ldots, Y_{t-d}).$ We assume that $\{X_t\}$ is a discrete-time strictly stationary time series with $E X_t^2 < \infty$ and that $E [\varepsilon_t | A_t^{d-1}(X)] = 0$ a.s., $E [\varepsilon_t^2 | A_t^{d-1}(X)] = \sigma^2$ ($\sigma > 0$) a.s., for any positive integer $t$, where $A_t(X)$ denotes the sigma-algebra generated by $(X_s, \ldots, X_t)$.

We take similar approach as Pikovsky (1986), Landau and Rosenblum (1989), Cawley and Sauer (1992), but use kernel type estimators for filtering out the noise.

Define $d_0$ the embedding dimension and $\tau_0$ the delay time if and only if there exist nonnegative integers $d_0 < \infty$ and $\tau_0 < \infty$ such that $E [X_t | X_{t-\tau}, \ldots, X_{t-d}] \neq E [X_t | X_{t-\tau}, \ldots, X_{t-d}]$ a.e. for any $d < d_0$ and any $\tau > 0$, and $E [X_t | X_{t-\tau}, \ldots, X_{t-d}] = E [X_t | X_{t-\tau}, \ldots, X_{t-d}]$ a.e. for any $(d, \tau) \in B(d_0, \tau_0)$, where $B(d_0, \tau_0) = \{(d, \tau): \tau_0, 2\tau_0, \ldots, d_0 \tau_0 \} \subset \{d, 2d, \ldots, d \tau_0 \}.$

First, an algorithm for the determination of $d_0$ and $\tau_0$ is developed. Then, assuming that the embedding dimension and delay time are known, the Nadaraya–Watson kernel type estimator is introduced for estimating $F$. Finally, we generate $\{Y_{N,t}\}$ from estimated $F$, and apply a modified Eckmann and Ruelle’s method for estimating the Lyapunov exponent. It is proved that $Y_{N,t} \to Y_t$, in probability, as $N \to \infty$ and that the consistency of the proposed estimating procedure of the Lyapunov exponent.

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