

Spectral Methods in Gaussian Modelling

Topic 2: Kernel Design

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- MOSMK models PSD with **symmetric mixture of outer products of vectors of Gaussians**:

$$S(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{q=1}^Q \left(R^{(q)}(\omega) R^{(q)\dagger}(\omega) + R^{(q)}(-\omega) R^{(q)\dagger}(-\omega) \right),$$

$$R_i^{(q)}(\omega) = w^{(q)} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{4}(\omega - \mu_i^{(q)}) \Sigma_i^{(q)-1} (\omega - \mu_i^{(q)}) - \iota(\theta_i^{(q)\top} \omega + \phi_i^{(q)}) \right).$$

- Inverse Fourier transform gives kernel:

$$K_{ij}^{(\text{MOSMK})}(\tau) = \sum_{q=1}^Q \alpha_{ij}^{(q)} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\tau + \theta_{ij}^{(q)})^\top \Sigma_{ij}^{(q)} (\tau + \theta_{ij}^{(q)})\right) \times \cos\left((\tau + \theta_{ij}^{(q)})^\top \mu_{ij}^{(q)} + \phi_{ij}^{(q)}\right).$$

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 \mathbb{E}[c_{ik}^{(p)}(t)c_{jl}^{(q)}(t')] &= \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha_{ij}^{(q)}}{w_i^{(q)}w_j^{(q)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(t-t')^\top \Sigma_{ij}^{(q)}(t-t')\right) & \text{if } k = \ell, p = q, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}
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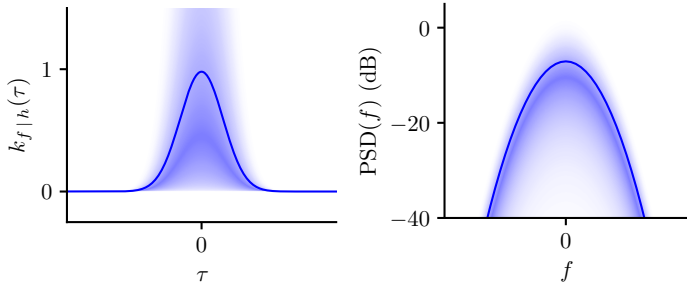
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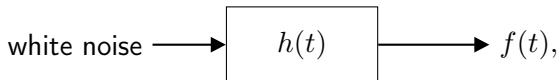
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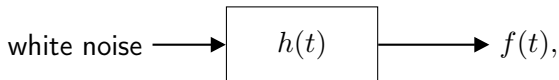
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