# EXPANSIONS FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF *M*-ESTIMATES WITH APPLICATIONS TO THE MULTI-TONE PROBLEM

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Abstract. We give a stochastic expansion for estimates  $\hat{\theta}$  that minimise the arithmetic mean of (typically independent) random functions of a known parameter  $\theta$ . Examples include least squares estimates, maximum likelihood estimates and more generally *M*-estimates. This is used to obtain leading cumulant coefficients of  $\hat{\theta}$  needed for the Edgeworth expansions for the distribution and density of  $n^{1/2}(\hat{\theta} - \theta^0)$  to magnitude  $n^{-3/2}$  (or to  $n^{-2}$  for the symmetric case), where  $\theta^0$  is the true parameter value and *n* is typically the sample size. Applications are given to least squares estimates for both real and complex models. An alternative approach is given when the linear parameters of the model are nuisance parameters. The methods are illustrated with the problem of estimating the frequencies when the signal consists of the sum of sinusoids of unknown amplitudes.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

Let  $\hat{\theta}$  denote an estimate of  $\theta$  in  $\mathcal{R}^p$  based on a random sample of size n. There is a large amount of work on expansions for  $\hat{\theta} - \theta^0$ , where  $\theta^0$  is the true value of  $\theta$ . However, most of the work to date are for the sample mean and functions of it. For example, Monti [5] obtains an expansion for the sample mean up to the second order by expanding the saddlepoint approximation. Booth *et al.* [1] give tilted expansions of a sample mean from a distribution on k points. Kakizawa and Taniguchi [4] obtain expansions for  $P(\hat{\theta} < x)$  under the assumption that  $\hat{\theta}$  has a cumulant expansion in powers of  $n^{-1}$ . Gatto and Ronchetti [3] provide approximations for  $P(m(\bar{X}) < x)$  up to  $1 + O(n^{-1})$  for  $m(\cdot)$  a smooth function. For a comprehensive review of the known work, we refer the readers to [8].

The aim of this paper is to provide expansions for those  $\hat{\theta}$  that minimise the arithmetic mean of random functions of  $\theta$ . Maximum likelihood estimates (MLEs), least squares estimates (LSEs), and more generally M-estimates are examples of  $\hat{\theta}$  which minimise a random mean function

$$\Lambda = \Lambda(\theta) = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^{n} \Lambda_N(\theta)$$

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for  $\theta$  in  $\mathcal{R}^p$ . If  $E \partial \Lambda / \partial \theta = 0$  and  $E \partial^2 \Lambda / \partial \theta \partial \theta' > 0$ , then  $\widehat{\theta} \to_p \theta^0$  as  $n \to \infty$ . (We use  $\mathcal{R}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  to denote the real and complex numbers).

The contents of this paper are organized as follows. In Section 2 we give a stochastic expansion for  $\hat{\theta} - \theta^0$  of the form

$$\widehat{\theta} - \theta^0 \approx \sum_{a=1}^{\infty} \delta^a,$$

where  $\delta^a = O_p(n^{-a/2})$ . (The *a* in  $\delta^a$  is a superscript not a power).

In Section 3 we use this to obtain the leading coefficients in the expansions for the cumulants of  $\hat{\theta}$ :

$$\kappa(\widehat{\theta}_{i_1},\dots,\widehat{\theta}_{i_r}) \approx \sum_{j=r-1}^{\infty} k_j^{i_1\dots i_r} n^{-j}$$
(1.1)

for  $r \geq 1$  with  $k_0^i = \theta_i^0$ . This implies that  $Y_n = n^{1/2}(\hat{\theta} - \theta^0) \to \mathcal{N}_p(0, V)$  with  $V = (k_1^{i_1 i_2}) = A^{-1}$  for  $A = E \partial^2 \Lambda / \partial \theta \partial \theta'$ . The leading bias and skewness coefficients  $k_0^{i_1}$  and  $k_2^{i_1 i_2 i_3}$  give the Edgeworth expansion of the distribution (and its derivatives) of  $Y_n$  to  $O(n^{-1})$ , while the coefficients  $k_2^{i_1 i_2}$  and  $k_3^{i_1 \dots i_4}$  give the Edgeworth expansion of the distribution of  $Y_n$  to  $O(n^{-3/2})$  and  $P(Y_n \in S)$  to  $O(n^{-2})$  for  $S = -S \subset \mathcal{R}^p$ .

Section 4 applies these results to the LSEs for the general signal plus noise model

$$Y_N = S_N(\theta) + e_N \text{ in } \mathcal{R} \text{ or } \mathcal{C}, \ 1 \le N \le n$$

$$(1.2)$$

with  $\Lambda_N(\theta) = |Y_N - S_N(\theta)|^2/2$ , where the residuals  $e_1, \ldots, e_n$  are assumed independent with mean zero. While the complex formulation can also be dealt with by the real formulation, there are some significant simplifications in staying with the complex model. The *M*-estimate with respect to a given convex function  $\rho$  on  $\mathcal{R}$  or  $\mathcal{C}$  for the model (1.2) is  $\hat{\theta}$  for  $\Lambda_N(\theta) = \rho(Y_N - \rho(\theta))$ . For smooth  $\rho$  the leading cumulant coefficients were essentially found by this method in the real case in [7].

Section 5 considers two examples on the signal frequency problem

$$y_k = s(\theta) + n_k \text{ in } \mathcal{C}^M, \ k = 1, \dots, K,$$

$$(1.3)$$

where  $n_k$  is complex normal with covariance not depending on  $\theta$ , and the *m*th component of  $s(\theta)$  is

$$s_m(\theta) = \sum_{r=1}^R a_r \exp(j\phi_r + jw_r(m+m_0)/M)$$
 for  $m = 0, 1, \dots, M-1$ ,

where  $j = \sqrt{-1}$ . The p = 3R parameters are  $\theta' = (a', \phi', w')$ . So, (1.3) can be written in the form (1.2) with n = 2kM. Changing the covariance constant  $m_0$  is equivalent to reparameterising  $\phi_r$ : we shall see that if R = 1 then taking  $m_0 = -(M-1)/2$  makes the asymptotic covariance of  $\hat{\theta}$  diagonal.

In Section 6 we give a variation of the method for the case when the linear parameters of the model are nuisance parameters.

Appendix A provides a list of summation notations used throughout the paper. Some technical details required for the two examples in Section 5 are given in Appendices B and C. The proofs of all theorems are given in Appendix D.

For x a complex matrix we shall use x' to denote its transpose,  $\bar{x}$  its complex conjugate, and  $x^*$  the transpose of its complex conjugate.

#### 2. The stochastic expansion

Suppose  $\{\Lambda_N(\theta)\}\$  are real random functions of  $\theta$  in  $\mathcal{R}^p$ . Here we show that  $\hat{\theta}$  minimising  $\Lambda = \Lambda(\theta) = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^n \Lambda_N(\theta)$  in  $\mathcal{R}^p$  has the stochastic expansion

$$\delta = \hat{\theta} - \theta^0 = \sum_{a=1}^{\infty} \delta^a \tag{2.1}$$

with  $\delta^a = O_p(n^{-a/2})$ . To avoid excessive subscripts we shall fix  $1 \le i_0, i_1, \ldots \le p$  and set

$$\delta_j^a = (\delta^a)_{i_j}, \ \partial_j = \partial/\partial\theta_{i_j}, \\ \delta_j = (\delta)_{i_j}, \\ \Lambda_{\cdot 12\dots} = \partial_1\partial_2\dots\Lambda(\theta),$$
(2.2)

$$A_{12...} = E \Lambda_{.12...}, \text{ and } \Delta_{12...} = \Lambda_{.12...} - A_{12...}.$$
 (2.3)

Theorem 2.1 gives the first three  $\delta^a$  explicitly in terms of these  $\Delta$ 's and A's. By (2.1) this gives  $\hat{\theta}$  explicitly in terms of  $\Delta$ 's and A's to  $O_p(n^{-2})$ .

For  $\hat{\theta}$  to be a consistent estimate we need to assume that

$$A_1 = E\Lambda_{\cdot 1} = 0, \tag{2.4}$$

$$\Delta_{1\dots r} = O_p(n^{-1/2}) \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
(2.5)

Typically the model contains a location parameter, and the constraint (2.4) effectively specifies how it is defined, as well as identifying the other parameters of the model. The constraint (2.5) generally follows by the Central Limit Theorem, if the  $\{\Lambda_N(\theta)\}$  are independent or weakly dependent.

**Theorem 2.1.** Suppose  $\hat{\theta}$  is the estimate as defined above satisfying (2.4) and (2.5). Suppose also that the eigenvalues of the  $p \times p$  matrix  $A = (A_{12} : 1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq p)$  are bounded away from zero as  $n \to \infty$ , so A has bounded inverse  $A^{-1} = (A^{12})$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Then (2.1) holds. Furthermore,

$$\delta_0^1 = -A^{01}\Delta_1,$$
(2.6)
$$\delta_0^2 = A^{01}\Delta_{12}A^{23}\Delta_3 - B^{045}\Delta_4\Delta_5,$$
(2.7)

$$\delta_{0}^{3} = -A^{01}(\Delta_{12}\delta_{2}^{2} - A_{123}\sum_{23}^{2}A^{24}\Delta_{4}\delta_{3}^{2}/2 + \Delta_{123}A^{24}\Delta_{4}A^{35}\Delta_{5}/2 - C_{1}^{567}\Delta_{5}\Delta_{6}\Delta_{7}),$$

$$= -A^{01}\left\{\Delta_{12}(A^{23}\Delta_{34}A^{45}\Delta_{5} - B^{234}\Delta_{3}\Delta_{4}) - 2^{-1}A_{123}\sum_{23}^{2}A^{24}\Delta_{4}(A^{35}\Delta_{56}A^{67}\Delta_{7} - B^{356}\Delta_{5}\Delta_{6}) + 2^{-1}A^{24}A^{35}\Delta_{123}\Delta_{4}\Delta_{5} - C_{1}^{234}\Delta_{2}\Delta_{3}\Delta_{4}\right\},$$
(2.8)

and so on, where  $B^{123} = A^{14}A^{25}A^{36}A_{456}/2$  and  $C_1^{567} = A_{1234}A^{25}A^{36}A^{47}/6$ .

Note that  $B^{045}$ ,  $B^{234}$ ,  $B^{356}$  and  $C_1^{234}$  in (2.6)–(2.8) follow from the definitions given for  $B^{123}$  and  $C_1^{567}$ . For example,  $B^{045} = A^{04}A^{45}A^{56}A_{456}/2$ ,  $B^{234} = A^{24}A^{35}A^{46}A_{456}/2$  and  $C_1^{234} = A_{1234}A^{22}A^{33}A^{44}/6$ . The first three  $\delta^a$  given will be sufficient to obtain the cumulant coefficients needed.

#### 3. The leading cumulant coefficients

In this section we give the cumulant coefficients of (1.1) needed for the distribution of  $n^{1/2}(\hat{\theta}-\theta^0)$  to  $O(n^{-3/2})$ , namely  $k_{.1}^{12}$ ,  $k_{.2}^{0}$ ,  $k_{.2}^{123}$ ,  $k_{.2}^{12}$ ,  $k_{.3}^{1234}$ , where we extend the notation of (D.1), (2.3) by setting  $k_{.j}^{1...r} = k_{j}^{i_{1}...i_{r}}$ . We

now assume  $\Lambda_1(\theta), \ldots, \Lambda_n(\theta)$  independent. For  $\pi$  a sequence of integers in  $\{1, \ldots, p\}$ , using the dot notation of (2.2) for partial derivatives,

$$\Lambda_{\cdot\pi} = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^{n} \Lambda_{N\cdot\pi}.$$

So, for  $\pi_1, \pi_2, \ldots$  such sequences, the joint cumulants of the  $\Lambda_{\cdot\pi}$  are given by

$$\kappa(\Lambda_{\cdot\pi_1},\ldots,\Lambda_{\cdot\pi_r}) = n^{1-r}[\pi_1,\ldots,\pi_r], \qquad (3.1)$$

where

$$[\pi_1, \dots, \pi_r] = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^n \kappa(\Lambda_{N \cdot \pi_1}, \dots, \Lambda_{N \cdot \pi_r}).$$
(3.2)

For example,  $[1 \dots r] = E \Lambda_{.1\dots r} = A_{1\dots r}$ . We shall give the leading cumulant coefficients we need in terms of these [.] functions.

Set  $\delta_{rs} = 1$  for r = s and 0 otherwise, and  $a_{1...r}^{b_1...b_r} = \kappa(\delta_1^{b_1}, \ldots, \delta_r^{b_r})$ . This has an expansion of the form

$$a_{1...r}^{b_1...b_r} = \sum_{j \ge (b_1 + ... + b_r)/2} a_{1...r \cdot j}^{b_1...b_r} n^{-j}.$$

Also, the left hand side of (1.1) is equal to  $\theta_{i_1}^0 \delta_{r_1} + \kappa(\delta_1, \ldots, \delta_r)$ . Substituting (2.1) into this gives

$$k_{.j}^{1\dots r} = \theta_{i_1}^0 \delta_{r_1} \delta_{j_0} + \sum_{b_1 + \dots + b_r \le 2j} a_{1\dots r.j}^{b_1 \dots b_r},$$
(3.3)

where  $b_1, \ldots, b_r$  are positive integers.

**Theorem 3.1.** The coefficients  $k_{.1}^{12}$ ,  $k_{.1}^{0}$ ,  $k_{.2}^{123}$ ,  $k_{.2}^{12}$  and  $k_{.3}^{1234}$  of (3.3) can be expressed as

$$k_{.1}^{12} = a_{12.1}^{11}, \ k_{.1}^{0} = a_{1.1}^{2}, \ k_{.2}^{123} = a_{123.2}^{111} + \sum_{112}^{3} a_{123.2}^{112},$$
 (3.4)

$$k_{.2}^{12} = \sum_{12}^{2} a_{12.2}^{12} + \sum_{13}^{2} a_{12.2}^{13} + a_{12.2}^{22}$$
(3.5)

and

$$k_{.3}^{1234} = a_{1234\cdot3}^{1111} + \sum_{1112}^{4} a_{1234\cdot3}^{1112} + \sum_{1113}^{4} a_{1234\cdot3}^{1113} + \sum_{1122}^{6} a_{1234\cdot3}^{1122}, \qquad (3.6)$$

where

$$k_{.1}^{12} = a_{12.1}^{11} = A^{13} A^{24} [3, 4], ag{3.7}$$

$$k_{.1}^0 = a_{1.1}^2 = A^{01} A^{23} [12,3] - B^{045} [4,5],$$
(3.8)

$$a_{123\cdot 2}^{111} = -A^{14}A^{25}A^{36}[4, 5, 6], (3.9)$$

$$a_{123\cdot 2}^{112} = A^{14} A^{25} \left\{ A^{36} A^{78} \sum_{45}^{2} [4, 67] [5, 8] - B^{367} \sum_{45}^{2} [4, 6] [5, 7] \right\},$$
(3.10)

$$^{112}_{123\cdot 2} = A^{14}A^{25} \left\{ A^{36}A^{78} \sum_{45}^{2} [4, 67] [5, 8] - B^{367} \sum_{45}^{2} [4, 6] [5, 7] \right\},$$
(3.10)

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$$a_{12\cdot 2}^{12} = -A^{13}A^{24}A^{56}[3, 45, 6] + A^{13}B^{245}[3, 4, 5],$$
(3.11)

$$a_{12\cdot 2}^{13} = A^{13}A^{24} \left\{ A^{56}A^{78} \sum_{56}^{3} [3, 45] [67, 8] - B^{567} \sum_{56}^{3} [3, 45] [6, 7] - 2^{-1}A_{456} \sum_{56}^{2} A^{57} \left( A^{68}A^{9,10} \sum_{5}^{3} [3, 7] [89, 10] - B^{689} \sum_{5}^{3} [3, 7] [8, 9] \right) + 2^{-1}A^{57}A^{68} \sum_{56}^{3} [3, 456] [7, 8] - C_{4}^{567} \sum_{5}^{3} [3, 5] [6, 7] \right\},$$

$$(3.12)$$

$$a_{12\cdot 2}^{22} = A^{13}A^{45}A^{26}A^{78}\sum_{34,5}^{2} [5,8] [34,67] - \sum_{12}^{2} A^{13}A^{45}B^{267}\sum_{6,7}^{2} [5,6] [7,34] + B^{134}B^{267}\sum_{34}^{2} [3,6] [4,7],$$
(3.13)

$$a_{1234\cdot3}^{1111} = A^{15}A^{26}A^{37}A^{48}[5,6,7,8],$$
(3.14)

$$a_{1234\cdot3}^{1112} = A^{15}A^{26}A^{37} \left\{ -A^{48}A^{9,10} \sum^{6} [89,10] [5,6,7] + B^{489} \sum^{6} [8,9] [5,6,7] \right\},$$
(3.15)

$$a_{1234\cdot3}^{1113} = A^{15}A^{26}A^{37}A^{48} \left\{ A^{9,10}A^{11,12} \sum_{}^{15} [5,6] [7,89] [10.11,12] \right. \\ \left. -B^{9,10,11} \sum_{}^{15} [5,6] [7,89] [10,11] \right. \\ \left. -2^{-1}A_{89,10} \sum_{9,10}^{2} A^{9,11} \left( A^{10,12}A^{13,14} \sum_{}^{15} [5,6] [7,11] [12.13,14] \right. \\ \left. -B^{10,12,13} \sum_{}^{15} [5,6] [7,11] [12,13] \right) \right. \\ \left. +2^{-1}A^{9,11}A^{10,12} \sum_{}^{15} [5,6] [7,89.10] [11,12] \right. \\ \left. -C_{8}^{9,10,11} \sum_{}^{15} [5,6] [7,9] [10,11] \right\}$$
(3.16)

and

$$a_{1234\cdot3}^{1122} = A^{15}A^{26} \left\{ A^{37}A^{89} \left[ A^{4,10}A^{11,12} \sum_{i=1}^{15} [5,6] [78,9] [10.11,12] \right] -B^{4,10,11} \sum_{i=1}^{15} [5,6] [78,9] [10,11] \right] -B^{378} \left[ A^{4,10}A^{11,12} \sum_{i=1}^{15} [5,6] [7,8] [10.11,12] -B^{4,10,11} \sum_{i=1}^{15} [5,6] [7,8] [10,11] \right] \right\}.$$

$$(3.17)$$

# 4. Least squares estimates

Here we apply the previous section to LSEs for both real and complex models. We begin with the *real* model. Suppose we observe

$$Y = S(\theta) + e \text{ in } \mathcal{R}^n, \text{ that is } Y_N = S_N(\theta) + e_N \text{ in } \mathcal{R} \text{ for } 1 \le N \le n$$
(4.1)

with  $e_1, \ldots, e_n$  independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) with mean zero. Denote their *r*th cumulant by  $\lambda_r = \kappa_r(e_1)$ . The LSE is  $\hat{\theta}$  minimising

$$\Lambda = n^{-1} |Y - S(\theta)|^2 / 2 = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^n \Lambda_N(\theta),$$
(4.2)

where  $\Lambda_N(\theta) = |Y_N - S_N(\theta)|^2/2$ . So,

$$\Lambda_{N \cdot 1 \dots r} = \partial_1 \dots \partial_r S_N^2 / 2 - Y_N S_{N \cdot 1 \dots r}, \ A_{1 \dots r} = [1 \dots r] = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^n \{\partial_1 \dots \partial_r S_N^2 / 2 - S_N S_{N \cdot 1 \dots r}\}.$$

For  $\pi_1, \pi_2, \ldots$  sequences of integers in  $1 \ldots p$ , set

$$\langle \pi_1, \pi_2, \ldots \rangle = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^n S_{N \cdot \pi_1} S_{N \cdot \pi_2} \ldots$$
 (4.3)

Theorem 4.1 uses the previous section to express the cumulant coefficients we need in terms of these  $\langle \rangle$  functions. Theorem 4.2 notes what form these take for the special case when A is diagonal, having in mind the example of the next section for the case R = 1.

**Theorem 4.1.** For the model given by (4.1), the cumulant coefficients of Theorem 3.1 are

$$k_1^{i_1 i_2} = k_{.1}^{12} = \lambda_2 A^{12}, (4.4)$$

$$k_1^{i_0} = k_{\cdot 1}^0 = 2^{-1} \lambda_2 A^{01} A^{23} \{ -\langle 1, 23 \rangle - \langle 2, 13 \rangle + \langle 3, 12 \rangle \},$$
(4.5)

$$k_2^{i_1 i_2 i_3} = k_{\cdot 2}^{123} = A^{14} A^{25} A^{36} \left\{ \lambda_3 \langle 4, 5, 6 \rangle + \lambda_2^2 \sum_{456}^3 \langle 4, 56 \rangle \right\} - 6\lambda_2^2 B^{123}, \tag{4.6}$$

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$$a_{12\cdot 2}^{12} = \lambda_3 A^{13} \left( A^{24} A^{56} \langle 3, 45, 6 \rangle - B^{245} \langle 3, 4, 5 \rangle \right), \tag{4.7}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_{12\cdot2}^{13}/\lambda_2^2 &= A^{13}A^{24}A^{56} \left( A^{78} \sum_{38}^2 \langle 3, 45 \rangle \langle 8, 67 \rangle + \langle 34, 56 \rangle \right) \\ &- 2^{-1}A^{24} \langle 3, 45 \rangle A^{56} A_{678} (A^{13}A^{78} + 2A^{18}A^{37}) \\ &+ A^{13}A^{24} \left( -2^{-1} \langle 3, 45 \rangle B^5 - \langle 6, 45 \rangle B_3^{56} \\ &+ 2A_{346}B^6 + 2^{-1}A_{456}A_{378}A^{57}A^{68} + 2^{-1} \langle 3, 456 \rangle A^{56} \\ &+ \langle 6, 345 \rangle A^{56} - 2^{-1}A_{3456}A^{56} \right), \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.8)$$

$$a_{12\cdot2}^{22}/\lambda_2^2 = A^{13}A^{26}(A^{47}\langle 34,67\rangle + A^{45}A^{78}\langle 34,8\rangle\langle 5,67\rangle) - 2\sum_{12}^2 A^{13}B^{246}\langle 6,34\rangle + 2B_6^{13}B_3^{26}, \tag{4.9}$$

$$a_{1234\cdot3}^{1111} = \lambda_4 A^{15} A^{26} A^{37} A^{48} \langle 5, 6, 7, 8 \rangle, \tag{4.10}$$

$$a_{1234\cdot3}^{1112} = \left[\lambda_{2}\lambda_{3}\right] \left\{ -A^{15}A^{26}A^{37}A^{48}A^{9,10}\sum_{567}^{3} \langle 5,89\rangle \langle 10,6,7\rangle -A^{48}[A^{26}A^{37}A^{19}\langle 89,6,7\rangle + A^{15}A^{37}A^{29}\langle 89,5,7\rangle + A^{15}A^{26}A^{39}\langle 89,5,6\rangle] +A^{15}A^{26}A^{37}A^{48}A^{9,10}\sum_{567}^{3}A_{58,10}\langle 6,7,9\rangle \right\},$$

$$(4.11)$$

$$a_{1234\cdot3}^{1113} = \lambda_2^3 A^{15} A^{26} A^{37} A^{48} \left\{ A^{9,10} A^{11,12} \sum^{15} \langle 5,6 \rangle \langle 7,89 \rangle \langle 12,10.11 \rangle -B^{9,10,11} \sum^{15} \langle 5,6 \rangle \langle 7,89 \rangle \langle 10,11 \rangle -2^{-1} A_{89,10} \sum^{2}_{9,10} A^{9,11} \left( A^{10,12} A^{13,14} \sum^{15} \langle 5,6 \rangle \langle 7,11 \rangle \langle 12.13,14 \rangle -B^{10,12,13} \sum^{15} \langle 5,6 \rangle \langle 7,11 \rangle \langle 12,13 \rangle \right) + 2^{-1} A^{9,11} A^{10,12} \sum^{15} \langle 5,6 \rangle \langle 7,89.10 \rangle \langle 11,12 \rangle -C_8^{9,10,11} \sum^{15} \langle 5,6 \rangle \langle 7,9 \rangle \langle 10,11 \rangle \right\}$$

$$(4.12)$$

and

$$a_{1234\cdot3}^{1122} = \lambda_2^3 A^{15} A^{26} \left\{ A^{37} A^{89} \left[ A^{4,10} A^{11,12} \sum^{15} \langle 5,6 \rangle \langle 78,9 \rangle \langle 10.11,12 \rangle - B^{4,10,11} \sum^{15} \langle 5,6 \rangle \langle 78,9 \rangle \langle 10,11 \rangle \right] - B^{378} \left[ A^{4,10} A^{11,12} \sum^{15} \langle 5,6 \rangle \langle 7,8 \rangle \langle 10.11,12 \rangle - B^{4,10,11} \sum^{15} \langle 5,6 \rangle \langle 7,8 \rangle \langle 10,11 \rangle \right] \right\},$$

$$(4.13)$$

where  $B^1 = B^{123}A_{23} = 2^{-1}A^{12}A_{234}A^{34}$  and  $B_1^{23} = B^{234}A_{14} = 2^{-1}A_{145}A^{24}A^{35}$ .

Theorem 4.2. The corresponding expressions of Theorem 4.1 for A diagonal are

$$k_1^{i_0} = k_{\cdot 1}^0 = -2^{-1} \lambda_2 A^{00} A^{22} \langle 0, 22 \rangle, \qquad (4.14)$$

$$k_{2}^{i_{1}i_{2}i_{3}} = k_{2}^{123} = A^{11}A^{22}A^{33}\left\{\lambda_{3}\langle 1, 2, 3\rangle + \lambda_{2}^{2}\left(\sum_{123}^{3}\langle 1, 23\rangle - 3A_{123}\right)\right\},\tag{4.15}$$

$$a_{12\cdot 2}^{12} = \lambda_3 A^{11} \left\{ A^{22} A^{55} \langle 1, 25, 5 \rangle - B^{245} \langle 1, 4, 5 \rangle \right\},$$
(4.16)

$$a_{12\cdot2}^{13}/\lambda_2^2 = A^{11}A^{22}A^{33}[A^{77}(\langle 1,25\rangle\langle 7,57\rangle + \langle 1,57\rangle\langle 7,25\rangle) + \langle 12,55\rangle] -2^{-1}A^{11}A^{22}A^{55}(\langle 1,25\rangle A_{577}A^{77} +2\langle 3,25\rangle A_{531}A^{33}) + A^{11}A^{22}[-2^{-1}\langle 1,25\rangle B^5 -\langle 6,25\rangle B_1^{56} + 2A_{126}B^6 + 2^{-1}A_{156}A_{256}A^{55}A^{66} +2^{-1}\langle 1,255\rangle A^{55} + \langle 5,125\rangle A^{55} - 2^{-1}A_{1255}A^{55}],$$
(4.17)

$$a_{12\cdot 2}^{22}/\lambda_2^2 = A^{11}A^{22}A^{44}(\langle 14, 24 \rangle + A^{77}\langle 7, 14 \rangle \langle 4, 27 \rangle) - \sum_{12}^2 A^{11}B^{246}\langle 6, 14 \rangle + 2B_6^{13}B_3^{26}, \tag{4.18}$$

$$a_{1234\cdot3}^{1111} = \lambda_4 A^{11} A^{22} A^{33} A^{44} \langle 1, 2, 3, 4 \rangle, \tag{4.19}$$

$$a_{1234\cdot3}^{1112}/(\lambda_2\lambda_3) = A^{11}\dots A^{44} \left\{ -A^{55} \sum_{123}^3 \langle 1, 45 \rangle \langle 2, 3, 5 \rangle - \sum_{123}^3 \langle 1, 2, 34 \rangle + A^{55} \sum_{123}^3 A_{145} \langle 2, 3, 5 \rangle \right\},$$
(4.20)

$$\begin{aligned} a_{1234\cdot3}^{1113}/\lambda_{2}^{3} &= A^{11}A^{22}A^{33}A^{44} \left\{ A^{99}A^{11,11} \sum^{15} \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 3,49 \rangle \langle 11,9,11 \rangle \right. \\ &\left. -B^{9,10,11} \sum^{15} \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 3,49 \rangle \langle 10,11 \rangle \right. \\ &\left. -2^{-1}A_{49,10} \sum^{2}_{9,10} A^{9,9} \left( A^{10,10}A^{13,13} \sum^{15} \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 3,9 \rangle \langle 10\cdot 13,13 \rangle \right. \\ &\left. -B^{10,12,13} \sum^{15} \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 3,9 \rangle \langle 12,13 \rangle \right) + 2^{-1}A^{99}A^{10,10} \sum^{15} \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 3,49,10 \rangle \langle 9,10 \rangle \\ &\left. -C_{4}^{9,10,11} \sum^{15} \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 3,9 \rangle \langle 10,11 \rangle \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.21)$$

and

$$a_{1234\cdot3}^{1122}/\lambda_{2}^{3} = A^{11}A^{22} \left\{ A^{33}A^{88} \left[ A^{44}A^{11,11} \sum^{15} \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 38,8 \rangle \langle 4.11,11 \rangle - B^{4,10,11} \sum^{15} \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 38,8 \rangle \langle 10,11 \rangle \right] - B^{378} \left[ A^{44}A^{11,11} \sum^{15} \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 7,8 \rangle \langle 4.11,11 \rangle - B^{4,10,11} \sum^{15} \langle 1,2 \rangle \langle 7,8 \rangle \langle 10,11 \rangle \right] \right\},$$

$$(4.22)$$

where  $B^{123} = A^{11}A^{22}A^{33}A_{123}/2$ ,  $C_1^{234} = A_{1234}A^{22}A^{33}A^{44}/6$ , and

$$B^{1} = 2^{-1} A^{11} A^{22} A_{122}, \ B^{23}_{1} = 2^{-1} A_{123} A^{22} A^{33}.$$
(4.23)

Note that the implicit summations are over the i's not on the left hand side. For example, in (4.14) the summation is over  $i_2$ , not  $i_0$ .

Note that  $B^5$ ,  $B^6$ ,  $B_3^{56}$ ,  $B_6^{13}$  and  $B_3^{26}$  in Theorem 4.1 follow from the definitions given for  $B^1$  and  $B_1^{23}$ . For example,  $B^5 = B^{523}A_{23}$ ,  $B^6 = B^{623}A_{23}$ ,  $B_3^{56} = B^{564}A_{34}$  and  $B_6^{13} = B^{134}A_{64}$ . Similar comments apply to Theorem 4.2.

Now suppose we replace the real model (4.1) by the *complex* model

$$Y = S(\theta) + e \text{ in } \mathcal{C}^n, \text{ that is } Y_N = S_N(\theta) + e_N \text{ in } \mathcal{C} \text{ for } 1 \le N \le n$$
(4.24)

with  $e_N = e_{N1} + je_{N2}$  for  $j = \sqrt{-1}$  and  $\{e_{N1}, e_{N2}\}$  independent and identically distributed with mean zero and cumulants  $\{\lambda_r\}$ . The LSE is again given by (4.2). This can be put in the framework of (4.1) with *n* replaced by 2n, (so that  $\Lambda$  and  $A_{1...r}$  are half what they are for the complex version with  $e_{N1} = e_N$  of (4.1)), but it is simpler to adapt the preceding as follows:

$$\begin{split} \Lambda_{N \cdot 1...r} &= \partial_1 \dots \partial_r \bar{S}_N S_N / 2 - \bar{Y}_N S_{N \cdot 1...r} / 2 - Y_N \bar{S}_{N \cdot 1...r} / 2, \\ A_{1...r} &= [1 \dots r] = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^n \{\partial_1 \dots \partial_r |S_N|^2 / 2 - Re \, \bar{S}_N S_{N \cdot 1...r} \} \\ &= n^{-1} (\partial_1 \dots \partial_r |S|^2 / 2 - Re \, S^* S_{\cdot 1...r}). \end{split}$$

(Recall that  $\bar{Y}_N$  is the complex conjugate of  $Y_N$ , and  $S^* = \bar{S}'$ .) Let us extend the notation of (4.3) by writing

$$\langle \bar{\pi}_1, \pi_2, \pi_3 \rangle = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^n \bar{S}_{N \cdot \pi_1} S_{N \cdot \pi_2} S_{N \cdot \pi_3}$$

and so on for  $\pi_1, \pi_2, \ldots$  sequences of integers in  $1 \ldots p$ . One obtains

$$n\Lambda_{.1} = -Re \, e^* S_{.1}, \ n\Lambda_{.12} = Re \, (S^*_{.1} S_{.2} - e^* S_{.12}), A_{12} = Re \, B_{12} = (B_{12} + \bar{B}_{12})/2 \text{ for } B_{12} = S^*_{.1} S_{.2}/n = \langle \bar{1}, 2 \rangle, \Lambda_{.1...r} = Re \, (B_{1...r} - e^* S_{.1...r}/n), \ A_{1...r} = Re \, B_{1...r},$$

$$(4.25)$$

where

$$B_{123} = \left(\sum_{123}^{3} S_{\cdot 1}^{*} S_{\cdot 23}\right) / n = \sum_{123}^{3} \langle \bar{1}, 23 \rangle,$$
  

$$B_{1234} = \left(\sum_{1234}^{4} S_{\cdot 1}^{*} S_{\cdot 234} + \sum_{123}^{3} S_{\cdot 12}^{*} S_{\cdot 34}\right) / n = \sum_{1234}^{4} \langle \bar{1}, 234 \rangle + \sum_{123}^{3} \langle \bar{12}, 34 \rangle.$$

Note that  $B_{1...r}$  can be written down using the form for the partial Bell polynomial  $B_{r2}$  on page 307 of [2]; his  $B_{22} = x_1^2$ , his  $B_{32} = 3x_1x_2$ , his  $B_{42} = 4x_1x_3 + 3x_2^2$ , his  $B_{52} = 5x_1x_4 + 10x_2x_3$  so that

$$B_{12345} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{5} S_{\cdot 1}^* S_{\cdot 2345} + \sum_{i=1}^{10} S_{\cdot 12}^* S_{\cdot 345}\right) / n = \sum_{i=1}^{5} \langle \bar{1}, 2345 \rangle + \sum_{i=1}^{10} \langle \overline{12}, 345 \rangle,$$

and so on. We now give the complex form of (D.5). Set  $\gamma_i = S_{\pi_i}$  and  $T_i = e^* \gamma_i$ . If r > 1 then

$$(-2)^{r}[\pi_{1},\ldots,\pi_{r}] = 2^{r}n^{-1}\kappa(Re\,T_{1},\ldots,Re\,T_{r}) = n^{-1}\kappa(T_{1}+\bar{T}_{1},\ldots,T_{r}+\bar{T}_{r})$$
$$= \sum_{i=0}^{r}k(1^{i}\bar{1}^{r-i})\sum_{i=0}^{\binom{r}{i}}\langle\bar{\pi}_{1},\ldots,\bar{\pi}_{i},\pi_{i+1},\ldots,\pi_{r}\rangle,$$
(4.26)

where  $k(1^{i}\overline{1}^{j}) = \kappa(e_{1}, \dots, e_{1}, \overline{e}_{1}, \dots, \overline{e}_{1})$ , counting  $e_{1}$  *i* times and  $\overline{e}_{1}$  *j* times. Also the inner summation is over all such  $(\overline{\pi}_{1}, \dots, \overline{\pi}_{i})$  giving different terms. These joint cumulants can be written in terms of the real cumulants  $\{\lambda_{r}\}$ :  $k(1^{i}\overline{1}^{r-i}) = [1 + (-1)^{r-i}j^{r}]\lambda_{r}$  so that  $k(1^{2}) = 0$ ,  $k(1\overline{1}) = 2\lambda_{2}$ . For example,

$$4[\pi_{1},\pi_{2}] = E\left(T_{1}T_{2} + \sum^{2} T_{1}\bar{T}_{2} + \bar{T}_{1}\bar{T}_{2}\right) / n = 2\lambda_{2}\sum^{2} \langle \overline{\pi}_{1},\pi_{2} \rangle = 4\lambda_{2}\operatorname{Real}\left(\langle \overline{\pi}_{1},\pi_{2} \rangle \right), \\ -8[\pi_{1},\pi_{2},\pi_{3}] = 2\lambda_{3}\operatorname{Real}\left((1+j)\left\{\langle \pi_{1},\pi_{2},\pi_{3} \rangle + \sum^{3} \langle \pi_{1},\bar{\pi}_{2},\bar{\pi}_{3} \rangle\right\}\right), \\ 16[\pi_{1},\pi_{2},\pi_{3},\pi_{4}] = 4\lambda_{4}\operatorname{Real}\left(\left\{\langle \pi_{1},\pi_{2},\pi_{3},\pi_{4} \rangle + \sum^{3}_{234} \langle \overline{\pi}_{1},\overline{\pi}_{2},\pi_{3},\pi_{4} \rangle\right\}\right).$$

So, by (D.5) the cumulant coefficients for the complex case are obtained from those for the real case by replacing

$$\langle \pi_1, \pi_2 \rangle \quad \text{by} \quad \text{Real}(\langle \bar{\pi}_1, \pi_2 \rangle), \langle \pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3 \rangle \quad \text{by} \quad \text{Real}\left((1+j)\left\{\langle \pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3 \rangle + \sum^3 \langle \pi_1, \bar{\pi}_2, \bar{\pi}_3 \rangle\right\}\right) / 4,$$

$$\langle \pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3, \pi_4 \rangle \quad \text{by} \quad \text{Real}\left(\left\{\langle \pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3, \pi_4 \rangle + \sum^3_{234} \langle \overline{\pi}_1, \overline{\pi}_2, \pi_3, \pi_4 \rangle\right\}\right) / 4,$$

$$(4.27)$$

and so on. A simpler way of seeing this – without having to involve the joint cumulants  $k(1^{i}\overline{1}^{r-i})$ , is as follows. Consider the complex numbers  $a = a_1 + ja_2$ ,  $b = b_1 + jb_2$ , ... Then  $a_1 = (a + \overline{a})/2$  and  $a_2 = -(a - \overline{a})j/2$ . So,

$$a_{1}b_{1} + a_{2}b_{2} = \operatorname{Real}(\overline{a}b),$$

$$a_{1}b_{1}c_{1} + a_{2}b_{2}c_{2} = \operatorname{Real}((1+j)\left(abc + \sum^{3}\overline{abc}\right)/4,$$

$$a_{1}b_{1}c_{1}d_{1} + a_{2}b_{2}c_{2}d_{2} = \operatorname{Real}\left(abcd + \sum^{3}_{bcd}abc\overline{d}\right)/4$$

$$= \operatorname{Real}\left(abcd + ab\overline{cd} + ac\overline{bd} + ad\overline{bc}\right)/4,$$
(4.28)

and so on. Now take  $a = S_{N,\pi_1}$ ,  $b = S_{N,\pi_2}$ , ... Then  $n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^n (a_1 b_1 c_1 + a_2 b_2 c_2)$  is twice the real version of  $\langle \pi_1, \pi_2, \pi_3 \rangle$  for the real version of the complex version with *n* replaced by 2*n*. By (4.28) it equals the right hand side of (4.27). Similarly, one can write down  $\langle \pi_1, \ldots, \pi_r \rangle$  for the real version of the complex model in terms of  $\langle \pi_1, \ldots, \pi_r \rangle$  for the complex model. So, the real versions (4.4), (4.5), (4.6), imply the complex versions

$$k_1^{i_1i_2} = k_{\cdot 1}^{12} = \lambda_2 A^{12}, \ k_1^{i_0} = k_{\cdot 1}^0 = 2^{-1} \lambda_2 A^{01} A^{23} \operatorname{Real}\left(\left\{-\langle \bar{1}, 23 \rangle - \langle \bar{2}, 13 \rangle + \langle \bar{3}, 12 \rangle\right\}\right), \\ k_2^{i_1i_2i_3} = k_{\cdot 2}^{123} = A^{14} A^{25} A^{36} \operatorname{Real}\left(\lambda_3 (1+j) \left\{\langle 4, 5, 6 \rangle + \sum^3 \langle 4, \bar{5}, \bar{6} \rangle\right\} / 4 + \lambda_2^2 \sum_{456}^3 \langle \bar{4}, 56 \rangle\right) - 6\lambda_2^2 B^{123} A^{12} A^{12$$

Similarly,  $k_2^{i_1i_2} = k_{\cdot 2}^{12}$  can be written down from its real form given by (3.5), (3.11), (3.12), (3.13), and  $k_3^{i_1i_2i_3i_4} = k_{\cdot 3}^{1234}$  can be written down from its real form given by (3.6), (3.14)–(3.17). Note that if  $e_1$  is complex normal with components having the same variance, then (4.26) implies that  $[\pi_1, \ldots, \pi_r] = 0$  for r > 2 just as this holds by (D.5) for the real case (4.1) if  $e_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \lambda_2)$ .

#### 5. Examples

We now drop the convention of Sections 2-4 of suppressing the *i*'s to the usual convention that

$$S_{N \cdot i_1 \dots i_r} = \partial_{i_1} \dots \partial_{i_r} S_N$$

for  $\partial_i = \partial/\partial \theta_i$ . That is, we write  $\langle i_1 \dots i_r \rangle$ , where we had  $\langle 1 \dots r \rangle$ ,  $A_{i_1 i_2} = \langle i_1, i_2 \rangle$ , where we had  $A_{12} = \langle 1, 2 \rangle$ in (D.3),  $\langle i_1, i_2 i_3 \rangle$ , where we had  $\langle 1, 23 \rangle$  in (D.4), and so on. So, now

$$A_{rs} = \langle r, s \rangle = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^{n} S_{N \cdot r} S_{N \cdot s}.$$

**Example 5.1.** Consider the R signal M frequency problem: observe

$$y_k = s(\theta) + n_k$$
 in  $\mathcal{C}^M$  for  $k = 1, \dots, K$ ,

where  $n_1, \ldots, n_K$  are independent  $\mathcal{CN}_M(0, vI_M)$ , that is, with real and imaginary parts independent  $\mathcal{N}_M(0, vI_M/2)$ . (So,  $\lambda_2$  of Sect. 4 is v/2 and  $\lambda_r = 0$  for  $r \neq 2$ .) Counting  $m = 0, 1, \ldots, M - 1$ , suppose that the *m*th component of  $s(\theta)$  has the form

$$s_m(\theta) = \sum_{r=1}^R a_r \exp(j\alpha_{mr}) = s_{m1} + js_{m2}$$

say, for  $j = \sqrt{-1}$ , where  $\alpha_{mr} = \varphi_r + \nu_m w_r$  and  $\nu_m = (m + m_0)/M$ , and  $\{a_r, \varphi_r, w_r\}$  are real so that p = 3Rand we can take  $\theta' = (a', \varphi', w')$ . The main parameter is w;  $(a, \varphi)$  are nuisance parameters. We shall obtain the leading cumulant coefficients firstly by using the *real* model (4.1), and then for comparison using the *complex* model (4.24). For the real model the MLE  $\hat{\theta}$  minimises

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K} |y_k - s(\theta)|^2 / 2 = \sum_{N=1}^{n} (Y_N - S_N(\theta))^2 / 2, \text{ where } n = 2kM,$$
$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ S_1 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} Y_n \\ S_n \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} y_{km1} \\ s_{m1} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} y_{km2} \\ s_{m2} \end{pmatrix} \right\} : 0 \le m < M, \ 1 \le k \le K,$$

and  $y_{km} = y_{km1} + jy_{km2}$ . This puts the problem into the *real* formulation of (4.1) with  $e_N \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \lambda_2)$ . The constant  $m_0$  is arbitrary, since it reparameterises  $\varphi$ . Choose  $m_0 = -(M-1)/2$ , so that  $\{\nu_m\}$  have arithmetic mean zero. For  $1 \leq r, s \leq R$ ,  $s_{m1\cdot r} = \cos \alpha_{mr}, s_{m1\cdot r+R} = -a_r \sin \alpha_{mr}, s_{m1\cdot r+2R} = -\nu_m a_r \sin \alpha_{mr}, s_{m2\cdot r+2R} = sin \alpha_{mr}, s_{m2\cdot r+2R} = a_r \cos \alpha_{mr}, s_{m2\cdot r+2R} = \nu_m a_r \cos \alpha_{mr}$  and

$$A_{rs} = (2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \sum_{j=1}^{2} s_{mj \cdot r} s_{mj \cdot s}.$$

Fix  $1 \leq r, s \leq R$  and set

$$\varphi_{rs} = \varphi_r - \varphi_s, \ w_{rs} = w_r - w_s, \ \delta_m = \alpha_{mr} - \alpha_{ms} = \varphi_{rs} + \nu_m w_{rs}.$$
(5.1)

Then the elements of  $A = \{A_{ab} : 1 \le a, b \le 3R\}$  can be identified as follows.

$$\langle a, a' \rangle$$
:  $\langle r, s \rangle = (2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \cos \delta_m,$ 

So,  $\langle r, r \rangle = 2^{-1}$  and for  $r \neq s$ ,

$$\langle r, s \rangle = 2^{-1} \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} \cos(\varphi_{rs} + xw_{rs}) \, \mathrm{d}x + O(M^{-1})$$
  
=  $(\cos \varphi_{rs}) w_{rs}^{-1} \sin(w_{rs}/2) + O(M^{-1}) \text{ as } M \to \infty,$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \langle a, \varphi' \rangle : \langle r, s + R \rangle &= a_s (2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \sin \delta_m = a_s 2^{-1} \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} \sin(\varphi_{rs} + x w_{rs}) \, \mathrm{d}x + O(M^{-1}) \\ &= a_s (\sin \varphi_{rs}) \, w_{rs}^{-1} \sin(w_{rs}/2) + O(M^{-1}) \text{ if } r \neq s \\ &= 0 \text{ if } r = s, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle a, w' \rangle : \langle r, s + 2R \rangle &= a_s (2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \nu_m \sin \delta_m \\ &= a_s 2^{-1} \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} x \sin(\varphi_{rs} + x w_{rs}) \, \mathrm{d}x + O(M^{-1}) \\ &= a_s 2^{-1} \cos \varphi_{rs} \left\{ -w_{rs}^{-1} \cos(w_{rs}/2) + 2w_{rs}^{-2} \sin(w_{rs}/2) \right\} \\ &\quad + O(M^{-1}) \text{ if } r \neq s \\ &= 0 \text{ if } r = s, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} \langle \varphi, \varphi' \rangle &: \langle r+R, s+R \rangle = a_r a_s (2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \cos \delta_m = a_r a_s \langle r, s \rangle, \\ \langle \varphi, w' \rangle &: \langle r+R, s+2R \rangle &= (2M)^{-1} a_r a_s \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \nu_m \cos \delta_m \\ &= 2^{-1} a_r a_s \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} x \cos(\varphi_{rs} + x w_{rs}) \, \mathrm{d}x + O(M^{-1}) \\ &= a_r a_s \sin \varphi_{rs} \{ 2^{-1} w_{rs}^{-1} \cos(w_{rs}/2) - w_{rs}^{-2} \sin(w_{rs}/2) \} \\ &\quad + O(M^{-1}) \text{ if } r \neq s \\ &= 0 \text{ if } r = s, \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \langle w, w' \rangle &: \langle r+2R, s+2R \rangle &= a_r a_s (2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \nu_m^2 \cos \delta_m \\ &= a_r a_s 2^{-1} \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} x^2 \cos(\varphi_{rs} + x w_{rs}) \, \mathrm{d}x + O(M^{-1}) \\ &= a_r a_s \cos \varphi_{rs} \left\{ (4^{-1} w_{rs}^{-1} - 2 w_{rs}^{-3}) \sin(w_{rs}/2) \right. \\ &+ w_{rs}^{-2} \cos(w_{rs}/2) \right\} + O(M^{-1}) \text{ if } r \neq s \\ &= a_r^2 v_2/2 \text{ if } r = s, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$v_i = M^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \nu_m^i = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} x^i \, \mathrm{d}x + O(M^{-1}).$$

In particular,

$$v_2 = (1-\alpha)/12, v_4 = (1-\alpha)(3-7\alpha)/240,$$
  

$$v_6 = (1-\alpha)(3-18\alpha+31\alpha^2)/1344, v_8 = (1-\alpha)(5-55\alpha+239\alpha^2-381\alpha^3)/11520,$$

and  $v_i = 0$  for *i* odd, where  $\alpha = M^{-2}$ . So, A is only diagonal if R = 1.

The *complex* formulation, (4.24) with n = Mk, is simpler than the real formulation above: choose  $\theta$  as above. We have

$$s_{m \cdot r} = s_{m \cdot r+R}/(ja_r) = s_{m \cdot r+2R}/(j\nu_m a_r) = \exp(j\alpha_{mr}).$$

Set

$$g_{Mr}(\delta) = M^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \nu_m^r \exp(j\nu_m \delta).$$

A closed form for  $g_{Mr}$  is given in Appendix C. For example,  $g_{M0}(0) = 1$  and if  $\delta \neq 0$ , then

$$Mg_{M0}(\delta) = \{\cos(a-b) - \cos(a+b)\}/(1-\cos 2b) = \sin a / \sin b, g_0(\delta) = \sin a / a \text{ for } a = \delta/2, b = \delta/(2M).$$

Note that

$$g_{Mr}(\delta) = g_r(\delta) + O(M^{-1}),$$

where

$$g_r(\delta) = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} x^r \exp(jx\delta) dx = 2(-1)^r r! \delta^{-r-1} \sum_{k=0}^r (1/(r-k)!) (\delta/2)^{r-k} b_k$$

and  $b_k = \sin((k\pi + \delta)/2)$  or  $j \cos((k\pi + \delta)/2)$  for r even or odd. Since  $\{-\nu_m\} = \{\nu_m\},\$ 

$$\overline{g}_{Mr}(\delta) = g_{Mr}(-\delta) = (-1)^r g_{Mr}(\delta),$$

so  $g_{Mr}$  is real for r even, and imaginary for r odd, that is,  $h_{Mr}(\delta) = j^{-1}g_{Mr}(\delta)$  is real for r odd. The  $A_{i_1\cdots i_r}$  can be conveniently written in terms of the real and imaginary parts of the function

$$G_r(d_1, d_2) = H_r(d_1, d_2) + jI_r(d_1, d_2) = \exp(jd_1)g_{Mr}(d_2) = M^{-1}\sum_{m=0}^{M-1}\nu_m^r \exp(j(d_1 + \nu_m d_2))$$

So, for r even,

$$H_r(d_1, d_2) = \cos d_1 \ g_{Mr}(d_2), \ I_r(d_1, d_2) = \sin d_1 \ g_{Mr}(d_2),$$

and for r odd,

$$H_r(d_1, d_2) = -\sin d_1 h_{Mr}(d_2), \ I_r(d_1, d_2) = \cos d_1 h_{Mr}(d_2).$$

For example, B of (4.25) is given by  $B_{ab} = s_{.a}^* s_{.b}/M$ . As before fix  $1 \le r, s \le R$ . Then

$$B_{rs} = B_{r,s+R}/(ja_s) = B_{r+R,s+R}/(a_ra_s) = \exp(-j\varphi_{rs})g_{M0}(w_{rs}),$$
  

$$B_{r,s+2R}/(ja_s) = B_{r+R,s+2R}/(a_ra_s) = \exp(-j\varphi_{rs})g_{M1}(-w_{rs}),$$
  

$$B_{r+2R,s+2R} = a_ra_s \exp(-j\varphi_{rs})g_{M2}(w_{rs}).$$

So, A = A' is given in terms of  $\varphi_{rs}$ ,  $w_{rs}$  of (5.1) by

$$A_{rs} = A_{r+R,s+R}/(a_r a_s) = \cos \varphi_{rs} \ g_{M0}(w_{rs}), \ A_{r,s+R} = a_s \sin \varphi_{rs} \ g_{M0}(w_{rs}), A_{r,s+2R} = \text{Re} \ j a_s \exp(-j\varphi_{rs})(-j) h_{M1}(w_{rs}) = a_s \cos \varphi_{rs} \ h_{M1}(w_{rs}), A_{r+R,s+2R} = -a_r a_s \sin \varphi_{rs} \ h_{M1}(w_{rs}), \ A_{r+2R,s+2R} = a_r a_s \cos \varphi_{rs} \ g_{M2}(w_{rs}).$$

Although A for the real and complex formulations look different, A and  $A_{1\cdots r}$  for the complex formulation are exactly twice what they are for the real formulation, as noted in Section 4.

For both the real and complex models  $A_{i_1\cdots i_r}$  requires 6, 10 and 16 formulas for r = 2, 3 and 4; we gave these six formulas for r = 2 above; we now give the ten formulas for r = 3 for the complex case. We use the notation  $1 \le r, s, t \le R, r_i = r + (i-1)R, s_i = s + (i-1)R$  and  $t_i = t + (i-1)R$ . So,  $B_{r_1s_1t_1} = 0$  and  $A_{rst} = A_{r_1s_1t_1} = 0$ . Similarly, in terms of the Kronecker delta function  $\delta_{ij} = 1$  for i = j and 0 for  $i \ne j$ , we have, for example,

$$\begin{split} B_{r_2s_2t_3} &= \sum_{rs}^2 \delta_{st} a_r a_s j G_1(\varphi_{sr}, w_{sr}) - \delta_{rs} a_r a_t j G_1(\varphi_{rt}, w_{rt}), \\ B_{r_2s_3t_3} &= \delta_{st} a_r a_s j G_2(\varphi_{sr}, w_{sr}) + \sum_{st}^2 \delta_{rt} a_r a_s j G_2(\varphi_{rs}, w_{rs}), \\ B_{r_3s_3t_3} &= \sum_{rst}^3 \delta_{st} a_r a_s j G_3(\varphi_{sr}, w_{sr}), \end{split}$$

so that

$$\begin{split} &A_{r_{1}s_{1}t_{2}} &= \delta_{st}A_{rs} + \delta_{tr}A_{st}, \\ &A_{r_{1}s_{2}t_{2}} &= a_{s}(\delta_{rt} - \delta_{st})\cos\varphi_{rs}\;g_{M0}(w_{rs}) + a_{t}\delta_{rs}\cos\varphi_{rt}\;g_{M0}(w_{rt}), \\ &A_{r_{2}s_{2}t_{2}} &= \sum_{rst}^{3}a_{r}a_{s}\delta_{st}\sin\varphi_{rs}\;g_{M0}(w_{rs}), \\ &A_{r_{1}s_{1}t_{3}} &= \cos\varphi_{rs}\;\sum_{rs}^{2}\delta_{st}h_{M1}(w_{rs}) \\ &= 0\;\text{if}\;r = s, \\ &A_{r_{1}s_{2}t_{3}} &= \delta_{st}a_{s}\sin\varphi_{rs}\;h_{M1}(w_{rs}) - \sum_{st}^{2}\delta_{rt}a_{s}\sin\varphi_{rs}\;h_{M1}(w_{rs}), \\ &A_{r_{1}s_{3}t_{3}} &= \delta_{st}a_{s}\cos\varphi_{rs}\;g_{M2}(w_{rs}) + \sum_{st}^{2}\delta_{rt}a_{s}\cos\varphi_{ts}\;g_{M2}(w_{ts}), \\ &A_{r_{2}s_{2}t_{3}} &= -\sum_{rs}^{2}\delta_{st}a_{r}a_{s}I_{1}(\varphi_{sr},w_{sr}) + \delta_{rs}a_{r}a_{t}I_{1}(\varphi_{rt},w_{rt}), \\ &A_{r_{2}s_{3}t_{3}} &= -\delta_{st}a_{r}a_{s}I_{2}(\varphi_{sr},w_{sr}) - \sum_{st}^{2}\delta_{rt}a_{r}a_{s}I_{2}(\varphi_{rs},w_{rs}), \\ &A_{r_{3}s_{3}t_{3}} &= -\sum_{rst}^{3}\delta_{st}a_{r}a_{s}I_{3}(\varphi_{sr},w_{sr}). \end{split}$$

We now specialise the above example to the case R = 1.

**Example 5.2.** Consider the one signal case, R = 1, of the previous example. By the *real* formulation above, with  $a = a_1$ ,

$$A = (1/2) \operatorname{diag} (1, a^2, a^2 v_2), \ A^{-1} = \operatorname{diag} (2, 2a^{-2}, 2a^{-2}v_2^{-1}).$$

By (4.4),  $n \operatorname{covar} \hat{\theta} = \lambda_2 A^{-1} + O(n^{-1})$ . By (4.14),

$$k_1^{i_0} = -2^{-1}\lambda_2 A^{i_0 i_0} \sum_{i_2=1}^3 A^{i_2 i_2} \langle i_0, i_2 i_2 \rangle.$$

Also  $s_{mj\cdot11} = 0$ ,  $s_{m1\cdot12} = -\sin\alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m1\cdot13} = -\nu_m \sin\alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m2\cdot12} = \cos\alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m2\cdot13} = \nu_m \cos\alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m1\cdot22} = -a\cos\alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m1\cdot23} = -\nu_m a\cos\alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m1\cdot33} = -\nu_m^2 a\cos\alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m2\cdot22} = -a\sin\alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m2\cdot23} = -\nu_m a\sin\alpha_m$  and  $s_{m2\cdot33} = \nu_m^2 a\sin\alpha_m$ , where  $\alpha_m = \alpha_{m1}$ . So, the non-zero  $\langle i, jk \rangle$  are  $\langle 2, 12 \rangle = -\langle 1, 22 \rangle = a/2$  and  $\langle 3, 13 \rangle = -\langle 1, 33 \rangle = av_2/2$ . So,  $k_1^1 = 2\lambda_2/a$  and  $k_1^2 = k_1^3 = 0$ . So,  $\hat{\varphi}$  and  $\hat{w}$  have low bias but not  $\hat{a}$ . The non-zero  $A_{ijk}$ ,  $B^{ijk}$  and  $k_2^{ijk}$  are  $A_{122} = a/2$ ,  $A_{133} = av_2/2$ ,  $B^{122} = 2a^{-3}$ ,  $B^{133} = 2a^{-3}v_2^{-1}$  and  $k_2^{122} = -8\lambda_2^2a^{-3} = v_2k_2^{133}$ . Since  $\hat{\varphi}$  and  $\hat{w}$  both have  $k_1^i = k_2^{iii} = 0$ , we should check whether their distributions are symmetric.

Next we show that

$$k_2^{33}/\lambda_2^2 = 4a^{-4} \left(5v_2^{-1} + v_4/v_2^3\right).$$
(5.2)

By (4.17), with  $i_5 = i$ ,  $i_7 = j$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} a_{33\cdot2}^{13}/\lambda_2^2 &= (A^{33})^2 A^{ii} [A^{jj}c_1 + \langle 33, ii \rangle] - 2^{-1} (A^{33})^2 A^{ii} A^{jj} c_2 \\ &+ (A^{33})^2 [-2^{-1} \langle 3, 3i \rangle B^i - \langle j, 2i \rangle B_1^{ij} + 2A_{33i} B^i + 2^{-1} A_{3ij}^2 A^{ii} A^{jj} \\ &+ 2^{-1} \langle 3, 3ii \rangle A^{ii} + \langle i, 33i \rangle A^{ii} - 2^{-1} A_{33ii} A^{ii}], \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_1 = \langle 3, 3i \rangle \langle j, ji \rangle + \langle 3, ij \rangle \langle j, 3i \rangle$  and  $c_2 = \langle 3, 3i \rangle A_{ijj} + 2 \langle j, 3i \rangle A_{3ij}$ . So,

$$a_{33\cdot2}^{13}\lambda_2^{-2}A_{33}^2 = A^{ii}[A^{jj}\{c_1 - 2^{-1}c_2\} + \langle 33, ii \rangle + 2^{-1}A_{3ij}^2A^{jj} + 2^{-1}\langle 3, 3ii \rangle + \langle i, 33i \rangle - 2^{-1}A_{33ii}] + 2A_{33i}B^i - 2^{-1}\langle 3, 3i \rangle B^i - \langle j, 2i \rangle B_1^{ij} = g_i + f_{ij} = \sum_{i=1}^3 g_i + \sum_{i,j=1}^3 f_{ij}$$

say. Note that

$$A_{1133} = \langle 11, 33 \rangle + 2 \langle 13, 13 \rangle + 2 \langle 1, 133 \rangle + 2 \langle 3, 113 \rangle = 0 + v_2 - v_2 + 0 = 0$$

since

$$\langle 13, 13 \rangle = (2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \nu_m^2 = 2^{-1} \nu_2.$$

Note that

$$\begin{array}{rcl} B^{1} &=& A^{ii}A_{1ii} = A^{22}A_{122} + A^{33}A_{133} = 2a^{-2}a/2 + 2a^{-2}v_{2}^{-1}av_{2}/2 = 2a^{-1}, \\ f_{ij} &=& A^{ii}[A^{jj}\{c_{1} - 2^{-1}c_{2}\} + 2^{-1}A_{3ij}^{2}A^{jj}] - \langle j, 2i\rangle B_{1}^{ij}, \\ g_{i} &=& A^{ii}[\langle 33, ii\rangle + 2^{-1}\langle 3, 3ii\rangle + \langle i, 33i\rangle - 2^{-1}A_{33ii}] + (2A_{33i} - 2^{-1}\langle 3, 3i\rangle)B^{i}, \\ g_{1} &=& 2[\langle 1, 331\rangle - 2^{-1}A_{3311}] + (2A_{331} - 2^{-1}\langle 3, 31\rangle)B^{1} \\ &=& -v_{2} + av_{2} \cdot 2a^{-1} - (av_{2}/4) \cdot 2a^{-1} = v_{2}/2, \\ g_{2} &=& 2a^{-2}[\langle 22, 33\rangle + 2^{-1}\langle 3, 322\rangle + \langle 2, 332\rangle - 2^{-1}A_{3322}], \end{array}$$

where

$$\langle 22, 33 \rangle = (2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} a^2 \nu_m^2 = 2^{-1} a^2 \nu_2.$$

Note that  $s_{m1\cdot223} = a\nu_m \sin \alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m1\cdot233} = a\nu_m^2 \sin \alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m1\cdot333} = a\nu_m^3 \sin \alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m2\cdot223} = -a\nu_m \cos \alpha_m$ ,  $s_{m2\cdot233} = -a\nu_m^2 \cos \alpha_m$  and  $s_{m1\cdot333} = -a\nu_m^3 \cos \alpha_m$ , so

$$\langle 3, 322 \rangle = -(2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} (a\nu_m)^2 = -2^{-1}a^2\nu_2$$

and

$$\langle 2, 332 \rangle = -(2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} a^2 \nu_m^2 = -2^{-1} a^2 \nu_2.$$

Note that

$$A_{2233} = \langle 22, 33 \rangle + 2 \langle 23, 23 \rangle + 2 \langle 2, 233 \rangle + 2 \langle 3, 223 \rangle$$

and

$$\langle 23, 23 \rangle = (2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} (\nu_m a)^2 = 2^{-1} a^2 v_2,$$

so  $A_{2233} = 2^{-1}a^2v_2(1+2-2-2) = -2^{-1}a^2v_2$ . So,  $g_2 = v_2 - 2^{-1}v_2 - v_2 + 2^{-1}v_2 = 0$ . Note that

$$g_{3} = A^{33}[\langle 33, 33 \rangle + 3\langle 3, 333 \rangle / 2 - 2^{-1}A_{3333}] - 2^{-1}\langle 3, 33 \rangle B^{3},$$
  

$$A_{3333} = 3\langle 33, 33 \rangle + 4\langle 3, 333 \rangle,$$
  

$$\langle 33, 33 \rangle = (2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} a^{2}\nu_{m}^{4} = 2^{-1}a^{2}v_{4}, \ \langle 3, 333 \rangle = -(2M)^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} a^{2}\nu_{m}^{4} = -2^{-1}a^{2}v_{4}$$

so  $g_3 = -a^{-2}v_2^{-1}[2^{-1}a^2v_4 - 2^{-1}a^2v_4] = 0$ . Note that

$$f_{1j} = A^{11} [A^{jj} \{ c_1 - 2^{-1} c_2 \} + 2^{-1} A^2_{31j} A^{jj}] - \langle j, 21 \rangle B^{1j}_1$$

at  $c_1 = \langle 3, 31 \rangle \langle j, j1 \rangle + \langle 3, 1j \rangle \langle j, 31 \rangle$  and  $c_2 = \langle 3, 31 \rangle A_{1jj} + 2 \langle j, 31 \rangle A_{31j}$ . So,  $f_{11} = 0$  and  $f_{12} = A^{11} [A^{22} \{ \langle 3, 31 \rangle \langle 2, 21 \rangle - 2^{-1} \langle 3, 31 \rangle A_{122} \}] - \langle 2, 21 \rangle B_1^{12}$ . By (4.23),  $B_1^{12} = 2^{-1} A_{112} A^{11} A^{22} = 0$ , so

$$f_{12}/2 = 2a^{-2}\{(av_2/2)(a/2) - 2^{-1}(av_2/2)(a/2)\} = v_2/4, \ f_{13} = A^{11}[A^{33}c_3 + 2^{-1}A_{313}^2A^{33}] - 0$$

at  $c_3 = 2\langle 3, 13 \rangle^2 - 3.2^{-1}\langle 3, 13 \rangle A_{133}$ . So,

$$f_{13} = A^{11}A^{33}[\langle 3, 13 \rangle \{2\langle 3, 13 \rangle - 3A_{133}/2\} + 2^{-1}A^2_{133}] = v_2, \ f_{2j} = A^{22}[A^{jj}c_4 + 0] - \langle j, 22 \rangle B^{2j}_1 = A^{2j}[A^{jj}c$$

at  $c_4 = c_1 - c_2/2$  and  $c_1 = c_2 = 0$ . By (4.23),  $B_1^{21} = 0$  as  $B_1^{23} = A_{14}B^{234}$  is symmetric in 2, 3. So,  $f_{2j} = 0$ . Note that

$$f_{3j} = A^{33} [A^{jj}c_4 + 2^{-1}A^2_{33j}A^{jj}] - \langle j, 23 \rangle B^{3j}_1, \ c_1 = 0 + \langle 3, 3j \rangle \langle j, 33 \rangle, \ c_2 = 0 + 2\langle j, 33 \rangle A_{33j}.$$

So,  $f_{32} = f_{33} = 0$  and  $f_{31} = A^{33}A^{11}c_5$  at

$$c_5 = c_4 + 2^{-1}A_{133}^2 = \langle 3, 31 \rangle \langle 1, 33 \rangle - \langle 1, 33 \rangle A_{133} + 2^{-1}A_{133}^2 = a^2 v_2^2 / 8.$$

So,  $f_{31} = v_2/2$ . So,

$$a_{33\cdot 2}^{13}\lambda_2^{-2}a^4v_2^2/4 = \sum_{ij}f_{ij} + \sum_i g_i = 3v_2/2.$$

So,  $a_{33\cdot 2}^{13} = 6\lambda_2^2 a^{-4} v_2^{-1}$ . By (4.18),

$$a_{33\cdot 2}^{22}/\lambda_2^2 = \sum_i g_i + \sum_{ij} f_{ij}$$

for  $g_i = (A^{33})^2 A^{ii} \langle 3i, 3i \rangle$  and  $f_{ij} = (A^{33})^2 A^{ii} A^{jj} \langle j, 3i \rangle \langle i, 3j \rangle + f_{ij}^1 + f_{ij}^2$ , where  $f_{ij}^1 = -2A^{33} B^{3ij} \langle j, 3i \rangle$ and  $f_{ij}^2 = 2B_j^{3i} B_i^{jj}$ , giving  $\sum g_i = 4a^{-4} v_2^{-3} (v_4 + 2v_2^2)$  as before. Note that  $\sum_j f_{1j}^1 = -2A^{33}A^{133} \langle 3, 31 \rangle$ ,  $f_{2j}^1 = -2A^{33} \cdot 0 = 0$  and  $f_{3j}^1 = -2A^{33}A^{33j} \langle j, 31 \rangle = 0$ , giving  $\sum_{ij} f_{ij}^1 = -4a^{-4}v_2^{-1}$ . Note that

$$\begin{split} f_{1j}^2 &= (A^{33})^2 A^{11} A^{jj} \langle 31, j \rangle \langle 3j, 1 \rangle + 2B_j^{31} B_1^{3j}, \\ f_{11}^2 &= 2(B_1^{13})^2 = 0 \text{ as by } (4.23) \ B_1^{13} = 2^{-1} A_{113} A^{11} A^{33} = 0, \\ f_{12}^2 &= 2B_2^{31} B_1^{32} = 0 \text{ as } B_1^{23} = 0, \\ f_{13}^2 &= 2B_3^{31} B_1^{33} + (A^{33})^3 2 A^{11} \langle 31, 3 \rangle \langle 33, 1 \rangle, \\ B_3^{13} &= 2^{-1} A_{133} A^{11} A^{33}, \ B_1^{33} = 2^{-1} A_{133} (A^{33})^2. \end{split}$$

 $\operatorname{So},$ 

$$\begin{split} f_{13}^2 &= 2^{-1} A_{133}^2 A^{11} (A^{33})^3 + 2(A^{33})^3 \langle 1, 33 \rangle \langle 3, 31 \rangle = 0, \\ f_{22}^2 &= (A^{33})^2 (A^{22})^2 \langle 32, 2 \rangle^2 + 2(B_2^{32})^2 = 0 \end{split}$$

as  $B_2^{32} = 2^{-1} A_{223}^0 A^{33} A^{22} = 0$ . Note that

$$f_{23}^2 = (A^{33})^2 A^{22} \langle 32, 3 \rangle \langle 33, 2 \rangle + 2B_3^{32} B_2^{33} = 0, \ f_{33}^2 = (A^{33})^4 \langle 3, 33 \rangle^2 + 2(B_3^{33})^2 = 0.$$

So,  $\sum f_{ij}^2 = 0$ . So,  $a_{33\cdot 2}^{22}/\lambda_2^2 = 4a^{-4}v_2^{-3}(v_4 + 2v_2^2)$ . So, (5.2) holds: compare it with  $k_1^{33}/\lambda_2 = A^{33} = 2a^{-2}v_2^{-1}$ . So,

$$\operatorname{var} \widehat{w} = 2\lambda_2 a^{-2} v_2^{-1} n^{-1} + 4\lambda_2^2 a^{-4} (5v_2^{-1} + v_4 v_2^{-3}) n^{-2} + O(n^{-3})$$

at n = 2KM and  $\lambda_2 = v/2$ . Set SNR  $= a^2/(v/KM)$  so that  $SNR^{-1} = v/(a^2KM)$ . So,

var 
$$\widehat{w} = 2^{-1} v_2^{-1} SNR^{-1} [1 + 2^{-1} SNR^{-1} (5 + v_4/v_2^2)] + O(SNR^{-3})$$
  
=  $6(1 - M^{-2})^{-1} SNR^{-1} [1 + SNR^{-1} 3.4(1 + O(M^{-2}))] + O(SNR^{-3})$ 

since  $v_2 = 12^{-1}(1 - M^{-2})$  and  $v_4 = 80^{-1} + O(M^{-2})$ .

# 6. When linear parameters are nuisance parameters

Here we give an approach that allows us to reduce the dimension of the parameter space by eliminating nuisance parameters that enter the model linearly, when using the LSE. (For example, in Example 5.1,  $\theta$  has dimension 3R, but the parameter of interest w has dimension only R.)

The method of Section 2 does not require  $\Lambda = \Lambda(\theta)$  to be the mean of random functions  $\Lambda_1(\theta), \ldots, \Lambda_n(\theta)$ , but only that  $A_1 = 0, A = (A_{12})$  is bounded away from zero,  $A_{1...r}$  is bounded for  $r \ge 1$ , and

$$\Delta_{\cdot 1...r} = O_p(n^{-1/2}). \tag{6.1}$$

First consider again the real model (4.1)  $Y_N = x'_N(w)\beta + e_N$  in  $\mathcal{C}$  with  $\beta$  in  $\mathcal{R}^q$ , w in  $\mathcal{R}$ , that is  $Y = X(w)\beta + e_N$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , where  $X(w)' = (x_1 \cdots x_n) = X$  and  $x_N = x_N(w)$ . That is, we now suppose that  $\theta = {\beta \choose w}$  and  $S_N(\theta) = x_N(w)'\beta$ . So,  $S(\theta) = S = X(w)\beta$ . Set

$$\Lambda(w) = \inf_{\beta} n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^{n} (Y_N - X'_N \beta)^2 = n^{-1} |Y - X\widehat{\beta}(w)|^2 = n^{-1} Y' Q Y,$$

where  $I - Q = I - Q(w) = P = X(X'X)^{-1}X'$  and  $\widehat{\beta}(w) = (X'X)^{-1}X'Y$ , assuming X'X has full rank  $q \leq n$ . So, the LSE is

$$\widehat{\theta} = \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{\beta}(\widehat{w}) \\ \widehat{w} \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\widehat{w}$  minimises  $\Lambda(w)$ . Theorem 6.1 verifies that the conditions (6.1) hold with  $(\theta, \Lambda(\theta))$  replaced by  $(w, \Lambda(w))$ .

**Theorem 6.1.** Consider the model (4.1). Assume that X'X has full rank  $q \leq n$  and that  $x_N$  satisfies

$$x_N(w) = y(N/n, w) = y(N/n)$$
 (6.2)

for some function y(t, w). Also assume that  $e_1, \ldots, e_n$  are i.i.d. in  $\mathcal{R}$  with mean zero and cumulants  $\{\lambda_r\}$ . Finally, assume that

$$\det(T(1:2)) \neq 0,$$
(6.3)

where  $T(\pi_1 : \pi_2) = T(\pi_1, \pi_2) - T(\cdot, \pi_1)'T^{-1}T(\cdot, \pi_2)$ , where  $T(\pi_1, \pi_2) = \int_0^1 y_{\cdot\pi_1}(t)y_{\cdot\pi_2}(t)'dt$ , and  $\cdot\pi$  denotes differentiation with respect to w, not t. Then  $A_1 = 0$ ,  $A = (A_{12})$  is bounded away from zero,  $A_{1...r}$  is bounded for  $r \ge 1$ , and (6.1) holds.

We now consider how to adapt Section 3. Since  $\Lambda(w)$  is no longer a sum of independent random variables, (3.1) with (3.2) no longer applies. So, let us take (3.1) as the *definition* of [·]. To be of use we need [·] to be bounded as  $n \to \infty$ . Note that  $[\pi] = A_{\pi}$  is bounded. For r > 1,

$$[\pi_1, \dots, \pi_r] = n^{r-1} \kappa[\Delta_{\pi_1}, \dots, \Delta_{\pi_r}], \ [\pi_1, \pi_2] = n^{-1} \kappa[e'Q_{\cdot\pi_1}S + e'Q_{\cdot\pi_2}e, \ e'Q_{\cdot\pi_2}S + e'Q_{\cdot\pi_2}e].$$

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Clearly  $\{\Delta_{\pi_1}\}$  has *r*th-order cumulants  $O(n^{1-r})$ :

$$\kappa_r(\Delta_{\pi_1 1},\ldots,\Delta_{\pi_r r})=n^{1-r}[\pi_1,\ldots,\pi_r]_1,$$

where

$$[\pi_1, \dots, \pi_r]_1 = \lambda_r \langle \gamma_{\pi_1}, \dots, \gamma_{\pi_r} \rangle_1,$$
  
$$\langle \gamma_{\pi_1}, \dots, \gamma_{\pi_r} \rangle_1 = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^n \gamma_{\pi_1 N} \dots \gamma_{\pi_r N}, \ \gamma_\pi = (\gamma_{\pi N}) = Q_{\cdot \pi} S.$$

By (D.12),

$$n^{2}E\Delta_{\pi_{1}1}\Delta_{\pi_{2}2} = \lambda_{4}\sum_{N=1}^{n} Q_{NN\cdot\pi_{1}}Q_{NN\cdot\pi_{2}} + 2\lambda_{2}^{2}\mathrm{tr}Q_{\cdot\pi_{1}}Q_{\cdot\pi_{2}} = O(1).$$

Similarly, one expects the moments and cumulants of  $\{n\Delta_{\pi_2}\}$  to be O(1), and so the *r*th-order cross-cumulants of  $\{\Delta_{\pi_2}\}$  to be  $O(n^{-r})$ . So, one expects the *r*th-order cross-cumulants of  $\{\Delta_{\pi_11}, \Delta_{\pi_22}\}$  to be  $O(n^{1-r})$  or  $O(n^{-r})$  and so the  $[\cdot]$  functions of (3.2) to be bounded. So, the results of Section 3 should hold with  $[\cdot]$  defined by (3.1), not (3.2).

The *complex* case is similar: observe

$$Y_N = x_N^* \beta + e_N$$
 in  $\mathcal{C}$  with  $\beta$  in  $\mathcal{C}^q$ ,  $x_N = x_N(w)$ ,

that is  $Y = X\beta + e$  in  $\mathcal{C}^n$ , where  $X^* = (x_1 \cdots x_n)$ . Assume that  $e_N = e_{N1} + je_{N2}$  for  $j = \sqrt{-1}$  with  $\{e_{Nk}\}$  i.i.d. with mean zero and rth cumulants  $\lambda_r/2$ . So,  $\lambda_2 = E|e_N|^2$ . Set

$$\Lambda(w) = \inf_{\beta} n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^{n} |Y_N - x_N^*\beta|^2 = n^{-1} |Y - X\widehat{\beta}(w)|^2 = n^{-1} Y^* Q Y,$$

where Q = Q(w) = I - P,  $P = X(X^*X)^{-1}X^*$  and  $\widehat{\beta}(w) = (X^*X)^{-1}X^*Y$ , assuming  $X^*X$  has full rank  $q \leq n$ . So, the LSE is

$$\widehat{\theta} = \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{\beta}(\widehat{w}) \\ \widehat{w} \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\hat{w}$  minimises  $\Lambda(w)$ . Again we assume (6.2) and (6.3) hold with ' replacing \* in (D.9)–(D.11) so that  $A_1 = 0, A_{1...r}$  is bounded,  $A = (A_{12})$  is bounded away from zero. Note that  $A_{1...r}$  is given by (D.6)–(D.9) and their extensions, with ' replacing \*. Also

$$\Delta_{\pi} = 2\Delta_{1\pi} + \Delta_{2\pi} \tag{6.4}$$

for  $2n\Delta_{1\pi} = 2\text{Re } e^*\gamma_{\pi} = e^*\gamma_{\pi} + \gamma_{\pi}^* e$ ,  $\gamma_{\pi} = Q_{\cdot\pi}S$  and  $n\Delta_{2\pi} = e^*Q_{\cdot\pi}e$ , where again  $S = S(\theta) = X\beta$ . The argument that  $\Delta_{\pi}$  is  $O_p(n^{-1/2})$  carries over. If w lies in  $\mathcal{R}^q$  then  $A_{\pi}$  and  $\Delta_{\pi}$  are still real.

**Example 6.1.** Observe  $y_k = S + \varepsilon_k$  in  $\mathcal{C}^n$  for k = 1, ..., K with  $\varepsilon_k \sim \mathcal{CN}(0, VI_n)$  for some scalar V > 0. So,  $\{y_k\}$  have arithmetic mean Y = S + e with  $e \sim \mathcal{CN}(0, \nu I_n)$  and  $\nu = K^{-1}V$ . (So,  $\lambda_2 = \nu/2$  and  $\lambda_r = 0$  for  $r \neq 2$ .) Suppose  $Y = (Y_0, \ldots, Y_{n-1})'$  and  $S = (S_0, \ldots, S_{n-1})'$ , where  $S_N = x_N\beta$  for  $\beta$  in  $\mathcal{C}$ ,  $x_N = \exp(j\gamma_N)$ ,  $j = \sqrt{-1}$ ,  $\gamma_N = \nu_N w$ ,  $\nu_N = (N + N_0)/n$  and  $N_0 = -(n-1)/2$ . So, q = 1,  $X^*X = n$ ,  $I - Q = P = n^{-1}XX^*$  has (a, b) element

$$n^{-1}x_a^*x_b = n^{-1}\exp\{j(\gamma_b - \gamma_a)\} = n^{-1}\exp\{jw(b-a)/n\}$$

and  $\Lambda(w) = n^{-1}|Y|^2 - n^{-2}|X^*Y|^2$  and  $X^*Y = \sum_{N=0}^{n-1} x_N Y_N$ . Since q = 1 we now replace  $1 \dots r$ , where it occurs by r and use the convention  $f(w)_{.r} = (\partial/\partial w)^r f(w)$  for any smooth function f(w). For example,  $x_{N\cdot r} = (\partial/\partial w)^r x_N = (j\nu_N)^r x_N$ . So,

$$X_{\cdot r} = (x_{0 \cdot r}, \dots, x_{n-1 \cdot r})^* = (-j)^r (\nu_0^r x_0, \dots, \nu_{n-1}^r x_{n-1})^*, \ X_{\cdot r}^* X_{\cdot s} = (-1)^s j^{r+s} n v_{r+s}$$

for  $v_r = n^{-1} \sum_{N=0}^{n-1} \nu_N^r$ . So,

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$$\begin{array}{rcl} v_1 &=& 0, \ v_2 = (1-n^{-2})/12, \ v_4 = (1-n^{-2})(1-7n^{-2}/3)/80, \\ v_r &=& 2^{-r}/(r+1) + O(n^{-2}), \\ X_r^*X/n &=& j^r v_r, \ X_{\cdot 1}^*X = 0, \ X_{\cdot 1}^*X_{\cdot 1}/n = v_2, \\ Q_{\cdot 1} &=& -P_{\cdot 1} = -n^{-1}(X_{\cdot 1}X^* + XX_{\cdot 1}^*), \ Q_{\cdot 2} = -n^{-1}(X_{\cdot 2}X^* + 2X_{\cdot 1}X_{\cdot 1}^* + XX_{\cdot 2}^*), \\ Q_{\cdot 3} &=& -n^{-1}(X_{\cdot 3}X^* + 3X_{\cdot 2}X_{\cdot 1}^* + 3X_{\cdot 1}X_{\cdot 2}^* + XX_{\cdot 3}^*), \\ Q_{\cdot 4} &=& -n^{-1}(X_{\cdot 4}X^* + 4X_{\cdot 3}X_{\cdot 1}^* + 6X_{\cdot 2}X_{\cdot 2}^* + 4X_{\cdot 1}X_{\cdot 3}^* + XX_{\cdot 4}^*), \\ Q_{\cdot 1}X &=& -X_1, \ Q_{\cdot 2}X = -(X_{\cdot 2} - Xv_2), \ Q_{\cdot 3}X = -(X_{\cdot 3} - 3X_{\cdot 1}v_2 - Xjv_3), \\ Q_{\cdot 4}X &=& -(X_{\cdot 4} - 6X_{\cdot 2}v_2 - 4X_{\cdot 1}jv_3 + Xv_4), \\ ^*Q_{\cdot 2}X/n &=& 2v_2, \ X^*Q_{\cdot 3}X/n = 0, \ X^*Q_{\cdot 4}X/n = -2(v_4 + 3v_2^2). \end{array}$$

By (D.6),  $A_r = |\beta|^2 X^* Q_r X/n$ , so  $A_2 = 2|\beta|^2 v_2$ ,  $A_3 = 0$  and  $A_4 = -2|\beta|^2 (v_4 + 3v_2^2)$ . Also var  $\widehat{w} = k_{21}n^{-1} + k_{22}n^{-2} + \dots$ , where by (3.5), (3.6)–(3.11), replacing [1, 111] by [1, 3] and so on,

$$\begin{aligned} k_{21} &= A_2^{-2}[1,1], \ k_{22} = 2a^{12} + 2a^{13} + a^{22}, \\ a^{12} &= -A_2^{-3}[1,1,2], \ a^{22} = A_2^{-4}([1,1][2,2] + [1,2]^2), \\ a^{13} &= A_2^{-4}(2[1,2]^2 + [1,1][2,2] + 3[1,1][1,3]/2) - A_2^{-5}A_4[1,1]^2/2, \end{aligned}$$

giving

$$k_{22} = -2A_2^{-3}[1,1,2] + A_2^{-4}(5[1,2]^2 + 3[1,1][2,2] + 3[1,1][1,3]) - A_2^{-5}A_4[1,1]^2.$$

By (6.4),  $n\Delta_r = e^*\gamma_r + \gamma_r^*e + e^*Q_{\cdot r}e$  for  $\gamma_r = Q_{\cdot r}S$ . By Appendix B,

$$En^{2}\Delta_{r}\Delta_{s} = E(\sum_{rs}^{2}\gamma_{r}^{*}ee^{*}\gamma_{s} + e^{*}Q_{\cdot r}ee^{*}Q_{\cdot s}e) = \nu \sum_{rs}^{2}\gamma_{r}^{*}\gamma_{s} + \nu^{2}(\operatorname{tr} Q_{\cdot r}\operatorname{tr} Q_{\cdot s} + \operatorname{tr} Q_{\cdot r}Q_{\cdot s})$$
  
$$= n\nu|\beta|^{2}(d_{rs} + d_{rs}^{*}) + \nu^{2}D_{rs},$$

where  $d_{rs} = (Q_{\cdot r}X)^*(Q_{\cdot s}X)/n$  and  $D_{rs} = \text{tr } Q_{\cdot r}Q_{\cdot s}$  are O(1). In particular,  $d_{11} = v_2$ ,  $d_{12} = X_{\cdot 1}^* (X_{\cdot 2} - Xv_2)/n = -jv_3$ ,  $d_{13} = -v_4 - 3v_2^2$ ,  $d_{22} = v_4 + 3v_2^2$ ,  $D_{11} = 2v_2$ ,  $D_{12} = 0$ ,  $D_{13} = 2(v_4 - 3v_2^2)$  and  $D_{22} = 2(v_4 + v_2^2)$ . So,

$$[1,1] = nE\Delta_1^2 = 2\nu|\beta|^2 v_2(1+\varepsilon) \text{ for } \varepsilon = \nu n^{-1}|\beta|^{-2}, [1,2] = nE\Delta_1\Delta_2 = 0, \ [1,3] = nE\Delta_1\Delta_3 = -2\nu|\beta|^2 \{v_4 + 3v_2^2 - \varepsilon(v_4 - 3v_2^2)\}, [2,2] = 2\nu|\beta|^2 \{v_4 + 3v_2^2 + \varepsilon(v_4 + v_2^2)\}.$$

Also for  $q_r = e^* Q_{r} e$  and  $T_r = \text{tr } Q_{r} = 0$ , by Appendix B

$$n [1, 1, 2] = n^{3} E \Delta_{1}^{2} \Delta_{2} = E(2e^{*}\gamma_{1}\gamma_{1}^{*}e + q_{1}^{2})q_{2}$$
  
=  $2\nu^{2}(\gamma_{1}^{*}\gamma_{1}T_{2} + \gamma_{1}^{*}Q_{.2}\gamma_{1}) + \nu^{3}(T_{1}^{2}T_{2} + 2T_{1}\text{tr }Q_{.1}Q_{.2}T_{2}\text{tr }Q_{.1}^{2} + 2\text{tr }Q_{.1}^{2}Q_{.2})$   
=  $2n\nu^{2}|\beta|^{2}d_{121} + 2\nu^{3}D_{112},$ 

where  $d_{121} = (Q_{\cdot 1}X)^* Q_{\cdot 2}(Q_{\cdot 1}X)/n = -2v_2^2$  and  $D_{112} = \text{tr } Q_{\cdot 1}^3 Q_{\cdot 2} = 0$ . So, var  $\widehat{w} = 2^{-1}v_2^{-1}\varepsilon + c\varepsilon^2 + O(\varepsilon^3)$ , where

$$c = 2^{-1}v_2^{-1} \text{ (from } k_{21}) + v_2^{-1} \text{ (from } 2a^{13}) + 2^{-2}v_2^{-3}(v_4 + 3v_2^2) \text{ (from } 2a^{13} + a^{22})$$
  
=  $6 \times 27/5 + O(n^{-2}).$ 

So, var  $\widehat{w} = 6\varepsilon(1+5.4\varepsilon) + O(\varepsilon^3)$ .

### Appendix A

The following is the list of distinct summation notations used in the paper:

$$+f_{jl}g_{ik}h_{mn} + f_{jm}g_{ik}h_{ln} + f_{jn}g_{ik}h_{lm} + f_{kl}g_{ij}h_{mn} + f_{km}g_{ij}h_{ln} + f_{kn}g_{ij}h_{lm} + f_{lm}g_{ij}h_{kn} + f_{ln}g_{ij}h_{km} + f_{mn}g_{ij}h_{kl},$$

$$\sum_{\pi_1,\pi_3}^2 [\pi_1,\pi_2] [\pi_3,\pi_4] = [\pi_1,\pi_2] [\pi_3,\pi_4] + [\pi_3,\pi_2] [\pi_1,\pi_4],$$

$$\sum_{\pi_2,\pi_3}^2 [\pi_1,\pi_2] [\pi_3,\pi_4] = [\pi_1,\pi_2] [\pi_3,\pi_4] + [\pi_1,\pi_3] [\pi_2,\pi_4],$$

$$\sum_{\pi_2,\pi_3}^3 [\pi_1,\pi_2] [\pi_3,\pi_4] = [\pi_1,\pi_2] [\pi_3,\pi_4] + [\pi_1,\pi_3] [\pi_2,\pi_4] + [\pi_1,\pi_4] [\pi_2,\pi_3],$$

$$\sum_{\pi_1,\pi_2}^6 [\pi_4,\pi_5] [\pi_1,\pi_2,\pi_3] = [\pi_1,\pi_4] [\pi_2,\pi_3,\pi_5] + [\pi_1,\pi_5] [\pi_2,\pi_3,\pi_4] + [\pi_2,\pi_4] [\pi_1,\pi_3,\pi_5] + [\pi_2,\pi_5] [\pi_1,\pi_3,\pi_4] + [\pi_3,\pi_4] [\pi_1,\pi_2,\pi_5] + [\pi_3,\pi_5] [\pi_1,\pi_2,\pi_4]$$

and

$$\sum_{i=1}^{15} [\pi_1, \pi_2] [\pi_3, \pi_4] [\pi_5, \pi_6] = [\pi_1, \pi_2] [\pi_3, \pi_4] [\pi_5, \pi_6] + [\pi_1, \pi_3] [\pi_2, \pi_4] [\pi_5, \pi_6] + [\pi_1, \pi_4] [\pi_2, \pi_3] [\pi_5, \pi_6] + [\pi_1, \pi_5] [\pi_2, \pi_3] [\pi_4, \pi_6] + [\pi_1, \pi_6] [\pi_2, \pi_3] [\pi_4, \pi_5] + [\pi_2, \pi_3] [\pi_1, \pi_4] [\pi_5, \pi_6] + [\pi_2, \pi_4] [\pi_1, \pi_3] [\pi_5, \pi_6] + [\pi_2, \pi_5] [\pi_1, \pi_3] [\pi_4, \pi_6] + [\pi_2, \pi_6] [\pi_1, \pi_3] [\pi_4, \pi_5] + [\pi_3, \pi_4] [\pi_1, \pi_2] [\pi_5, \pi_6] + [\pi_3, \pi_5] [\pi_1, \pi_2] [\pi_4, \pi_6] + [\pi_3, \pi_6] [\pi_1, \pi_2] [\pi_4, \pi_5] + [\pi_4, \pi_5] [\pi_1, \pi_2] [\pi_3, \pi_6] + [\pi_4, \pi_6] [\pi_1, \pi_2] [\pi_3, \pi_5] + [\pi_5, \pi_6] [\pi_1, \pi_2] [\pi_3, \pi_4].$$

### Appendix B

**Theorem B.1.** Suppose  $X \sim \mathcal{CN}_p(0, V)$  so  $V = EXX^*$ . Its non-zero moments

$$\mu_{1\dots n,n+1\dots 2n} = EX_1\dots X_n \bar{X}_{n+1}\dots \bar{X}_{2n}$$

are  $\mu_{1,2} = V_{12}$ ,  $\mu_{12,34} = V_{13}V_{24} + V_{14}V_{23}$ , and so on, satisfying the recurrence relation

$$\mu_{1\dots n, n+1\dots 2n} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu_{1, n+i} \mu_{2\dots n, (n+1\dots 2n)_i},$$
(B.1)

where  $(n+1...2n)_i$  drops the *i*th term. Similarly, for  $i_1, \ldots, i_n, j_1, \ldots, j_n$  in  $1, \ldots, p$ ,

$$E X_{i_1} \dots X_{i_n} \bar{X}_{j_1} \dots \bar{X}_{j_n} = \sum^{n!} V_{i_1 k_1} \dots V_{i_n k_n},$$
 (B.2)

where  $\sum_{n=1}^{n!} sums$  over all n! permutations  $k_1 \dots k_n$  of  $j_1 \dots j_n$ .

So, in expanded form, the right hand side of (B.1) has n! terms, as compared with  $1 \cdot 3 \dots (2n-1) = (2n)!2^{-n}/n! = E\mathcal{N}(0,1)^{2n}$  terms for the real case  $X \sim \mathcal{N}_p(0,V)$ . Reed [6] proved (B.2) for the stationary case  $V_{ij}$  a function of i-j, but his proof holds without this assumption.

**Theorem B.2.** Let  $q_r = X^* a_r X$  for  $a_r$  in  $\mathcal{C}^{p \times p}$ . Set  $B_r = a_r V$  and  $t_{1 \cdots r} = \operatorname{trace}(B_1 \cdots B_r)$ . Then

$$Eq_1 = t_1, \ Eq_1q_2 = t_1t_2 + t_{12}, \ Eq_1q_2q_3 = t_1t_2t_3 + \sum_{123}^3 t_1t_{23} + \sum_{23}^2 t_{123},$$
  

$$Eq_1 \dots q_4 = t_1t_2t_3t_4 + \sum_{123}^6 t_1t_2t_{34} + \sum_{123}^4 t_1\sum_{34}^2 t_{234} + \sum_{123}^3 t_1t_{23} + \sum_{234}^6 t_{1234},$$

and in general

$$Eq_1 \dots q_r = \sum_{j=1}^r T_{rj} \text{ for } T_{rj} = \sum_{\pi} \{ t_{\pi_1} \dots t_{\pi_j} : |\pi_1| + \dots + |\pi_j| = r \},$$

where for  $\pi = (i_1 \dots i_r)$ ,  $t_{\pi} = \text{trace}(B_{i_1} \dots B_{i_r})$ , and  $\sum_{\pi}$  sums over all such  $(\pi_1, \dots, \pi_j)$  giving different terms.

### Appendix C

Theorem C.1 gives a closed expression for

$$g_{Mr}(\delta) = M^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \nu_m^r \exp(j\nu_m \delta),$$

where  $\nu_m = m/M - (M - 1)/2$ .

**Theorem C.1.** Let a = (M+1)/(2M), b = (1-M)/(2M), c = 1/M,  $N(x) = \exp(ax) - \exp(bx)$ ,  $D(x) = \exp(cx) - 1$ , I(x) = 1/D(x) and  $G(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \exp(x\nu_m) = N(x)I(x)$ . We have

$$g_{Mr}(\delta) = M^{-1} G^{(r)}(j\delta), \tag{C.1}$$

where

$$G^{(r)}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{r} \binom{r}{k} N_{r-k} c^k P_k, \ N_i = a^i \exp(ax) - b^i \exp(bx)$$

and

$$P_k = \sum_{i=0}^k (-1)^i i! D^{-i-1} \exp(cix) C_{ki}, \ C_{ki} = \sum_{n=0}^i \binom{i}{n} (-1)^{i-n} n^k.$$

In particular,

$$\begin{array}{rcl} P_{0} & = & D^{-1}, \ P_{1} = D^{-1} - D^{-2} \exp(cx), \ P_{2} = D^{-1} - D^{-2} \exp(cx) + 4D^{-3} \exp(2cx), \\ P_{3} & = & D^{-1} - D^{-2} \exp(cx) + 12D^{-3} \exp(2cx) - 36D^{-4} \exp(3cx), \\ P_{4} & = & D^{-1} - D^{-2} \exp(cx) + 28D^{-3} \exp(2cx) - 216D^{-4} \exp(3cx) + 576D^{-5} \exp(4cx), \end{array}$$

and so on. Also

$$g_{Mr}(0) = M^{-1} \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \nu_m^r = g_r$$

say, is given by  $g_r = 0$  for r odd, and for  $d = M^{-2}$ , by

$$g_0 = 1, \ g_2 = (1-d)/12, \ g_4 = (3-10d+7d^2)/240, \ g_6 = (3-21d+49d^2-31d^3)/1344,$$
  

$$g_8 = (5-60d+294d^2-620d^3+381d^4)/11520,$$
  

$$g_{10} = (3-55d+462d^2-2046d^3+4191d^4-2555d^5)/33792,$$

and so on.

#### Appendix D

Proof of Theorem 2.1. For  $\{\Lambda_N\}$  sufficiently smooth,  $\hat{\theta}$  satisfies

$$0 = \Lambda_{\cdot 1}(\widehat{\theta}) = \Lambda_{\cdot 1} + \Lambda_{\cdot 12}\delta_2/1! + \Lambda_{\cdot 123}\delta_2\delta_3/2! + \dots$$

by the multivariate Taylor expansion, using the tensor summations convention: repeated pairs of suffixes are implicitly summed over their range  $1 \dots p$ . For example,  $\Lambda_{.12}\delta_2 = \sum_{i_2=1}^{p} \Lambda_{.12}\delta_2$ . So,

$$0 = \Lambda_{\cdot 1} + (A_{12} + \Delta_{12})\delta_2 + (A_{123} + \Delta_{123})\delta_2\delta_3/2 + \dots$$

Multiply by  $A^{01}$ . Since  $A^{01}A_{12} = 1$  or 0 for  $i_0 = i_2$  or  $i_0 \neq i_2$ , this gives

$$0 = \delta_0 + A^{01} \{ \Lambda_{\cdot 1} + \Delta_{12} \delta_2 + (A_{123} + \Delta_{123}) \delta_2 \delta_3 / 2 + \ldots \},$$
(D.1)

where the first two terms have magnitude  $O_p(n^{-1/2})$ , the next two are  $O_p(n^{-1})$  and so on. So, an expansion of the form (2.1) is possible. Substituting (2.1) into (D.1) gives  $0 = \sum_{a=1}^{\infty} T_a$ , where  $T_a = O_p(n^{-a/2})$ :

$$\begin{split} T_1 &= \delta_0^1 + A^{01} \Delta_1, \ T_2 = \delta_0^2 + A^{01} (\Delta_{12} \delta_2^1 + A_{123} \delta_2^1 \delta_3^1 / 2), \\ T_3 &= \delta_0^3 + A^{01} (\Delta_{12} \delta_2^2 + A_{123} \sum_{23}^2 \delta_2^1 \delta_3^2 + \Delta_{123} \delta_2^1 \delta_3^1 / 2 + A_{1...4} \delta_2^1 \delta_3^1 \delta_4^1 / 6), \\ T_4 &= \delta_0^4 + A^{01} \{ \Delta_{12} \delta_2^3 + A_{123} (\delta_2^2 \delta_3^2 + \sum_{23}^2 \delta_2^1 \delta_3^3) / 2 + \Delta_{123} \sum_{23}^2 \delta_2^1 \delta_3^2 / 2 \\ &+ A_{1...4} \sum_{234}^3 \delta_2^1 \delta_3^1 \delta_4^2 / 6 + \Delta_{1...4} \delta_2^1 \delta_3^1 \delta_4^1 / 6 + A_{1...5} \delta_2^1 \delta_3^1 \delta_4^1 \delta_5^1 / 24) \}, \end{split}$$

and so on. We can now obtain  $\{\delta_0^a\}$  in (2.6)–(2.8) by setting  $T_a \equiv 0$  and solving these recurrence relations for  $\delta_0^a$ .

Proof of Theorem 3.1. Note that  $a_{12}^{11} = A^{13}A^{24}\kappa(\Delta_3, \Delta_4)$ , so (3.7) follows. Note that  $a_0^1 = 0$ , so  $a_{0.1}^1 = 0$ ,  $a_0^2 = A^{01}A^{23}E\Delta_{12}\Delta_3 - B^{045}E\Delta_4\Delta_5$ , so (3.8) follows. Note that  $a_{123}^{111} = -A^{14}A^{25}A^{36}\kappa(\Delta_4, \Delta_5, \Delta_6)$ , so (3.9) follows. Note that

$$a_{123}^{112} = A^{14}A^{25} \left\{ A^{36}A^{78} \sum_{45}^{2} \kappa(\Delta_4, \Delta_{67})\kappa(\Delta_5, \Delta_8) - B^{367} \sum_{45}^{2} \kappa(\Delta_4, \Delta_6)\kappa(\Delta_5, \Delta_7) \right\} + O\left(n^{-3}\right)$$

since if

$$EX_i \equiv 0 \text{ and } \mu_{j_1\dots j_r} \equiv EX_{j_1}\dots X_{j_r}, \tag{D.2}$$

then

$$\kappa(X_1, X_2, X_3 X_4) = \kappa(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4) + \sum_{12}^2 \mu_{13} \mu_{24}.$$

So, (3.10) follows. So,  $k_{\cdot 2}^{123}$  is given by (3.4), (3.9) and (3.10). We next give  $k_{\cdot 2}^{12}$  of (3.5). Recall that  $a_{12\cdot k}^{11} = 0$  for  $k \neq 1$ . Note that

$$a_{12}^{12} = -A^{13}\kappa(\Delta_3, A^{24}A^{56}\Delta_{45}\Delta_6 - B^{245}\Delta_4\Delta_5),$$

so (3.11) follows since (D.2) implies  $\kappa(X_1, X_2X_3) = \mu_{123}$ . Also

$$\begin{split} a_{12}^{13} &= A^{13}A^{24}\kappa(\Delta_3, \Delta_{45}(A^{56}A^{78}\Delta_{67}\Delta_8 - B^{567}\Delta_6\Delta_7) \\ &-2^{-1}A_{456}\sum_{56}^2 A^{57}\Delta_7(A^{68}A^{9,10}\Delta_{89}\Delta_{10} - B^{689}\Delta_8\Delta_9) \\ &+2^{-1}A^{57}A^{68}\Delta_{456}\Delta_7\Delta_8 - C_4^{567}\Delta_5\Delta_6\Delta_7)) \\ &= A^{13}A^{24} \left\{ A^{56}A^{78}\kappa(\Delta_3, \Delta_{45}\Delta_{67}\Delta_8) - B^{567}\kappa(\Delta_3, \Delta_{45}\Delta_6\Delta_7) \\ &-2^{-1}A_{456}\sum_{56}^2 A^{57}(A^{68}A^{9,10}\kappa(\Delta_3, \Delta_7\Delta_{89}\Delta_{10}) - B^{689}\kappa(\Delta_3, \Delta_7\Delta_8\Delta_9)) \\ &+2^{-1}A^{57}A^{68}\kappa(\Delta_3, \Delta_{456}\Delta_7\Delta_8) - C_4^{567}\kappa(\Delta_3, \Delta_5\Delta_6\Delta_7) \right\}. \end{split}$$

Also (D.2) implies

$$\kappa(X_1, X_2 X_3 X_4) = \mu_{1...4} = \kappa(X_1, \dots, X_4) + \sum_{i=1}^{3} \mu_{12} \mu_{34}.$$

So, (3.12) follows. Also

$$a_{12}^{22} = \kappa (A^{13} A^{45} \Delta_{34} \Delta_5 - B^{134} \Delta_3 \Delta_4, A^{26} A^{78} \Delta_{67} \Delta_8 - B^{267} \Delta_6 \Delta_7)$$
  
=  $A^{13} A^{45} A^{26} A^{78} \kappa (\Delta_{34} \Delta_5, \Delta_{67} \Delta_8)$   
 $- \sum_{12}^2 A^{13} A^{45} B^{267} \kappa (\Delta_{34} \Delta_5, \Delta_6 \Delta_7) + B^{134} B^{267} \kappa (\Delta_3 \Delta_4, \Delta_6 \Delta_7).$ 

Also (D.2) implies

$$\kappa(X_1X_2, X_3X_4) = \mu_{1...4} - \mu_{12}\mu_{34} = \kappa(X_1, \dots, X_4) + \sum_{12}^2 \mu_{13}\mu_{24}.$$

So, (3.13) follows. So,  $k_{\cdot 2}^{12}$  is given by (3.5), (3.11), (3.12), (3.13). Finally, we give  $k_{\cdot 3}^{1234}$  starting from (3.6):

$$a_{1234}^{1111} = A^{15}A^{26}A^{37}A^{48}\kappa(\Delta_5,\Delta_6,\Delta_7,\Delta_8),$$
  

$$a_{1234}^{1112} = -A^{15}A^{26}A^{37}\kappa(\Delta_5,\Delta_6,\Delta_7,A^{48}A^{9,10}\Delta_{89}\Delta_{10} - B^{489}\Delta_8\Delta_9),$$

so (3.14) follows. Also (D.2) implies

$$\kappa(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 X_5) = \kappa(X_1, \dots, X_5) + \sum_{i=1}^{6} \mu_{45} \mu_{123}.$$

So, (3.15) follows and

$$a_{1234}^{1113} = A^{15}A^{26}A^{37}A^{48}\kappa(\Delta_5, \Delta_6, \Delta_7, \Delta_{89}(A^{9,10}A^{11,12}\Delta_{10,11}\Delta_{12} - B^{9,10,11}\Delta_{10}\Delta_{11})$$
  
$$-2^{-1}A_{89,10}\sum_{9,10}^{2}A^{9,11}\Delta_{11}(A^{10,12}A^{13,14}\Delta_{12,13}\Delta_{14} - B^{10,12,13}\Delta_{12}\Delta_{13})$$
  
$$+2^{-1}A^{9,11}A^{10,12}\Delta_{89,10}\Delta_{11}\Delta_{12} - C_8^{9,10,11}\Delta_{9}\Delta_{10}\Delta_{11}).$$

Also setting  $k_{1...r} = \kappa(X_1, \ldots, X_r)$ , (D.2) implies

$$\kappa(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 X_5 X_6) = \mu_{1...6} - \sum_{123}^3 \mu_{12} \mu_{3...6} = k_{1...6} + \sum_{123}^{10} k_{123} k_{456} + \sum_{12}^{15} \mu_{12} \mu_{34} \mu_{56} + \sum_{123}^{12} \mu_{14} k_{2356}.$$

So, (3.16) follows and

$$a_{1234}^{1122} = A^{15}A^{26}\kappa(\Delta_5, \Delta_6, A^{37}A^{89}\Delta_{78}\Delta_9 - B^{378}\Delta_7\Delta_8, A^{4,10}A^{11,12}\Delta_{10,11}\Delta_{12} - B^{4,10,11}\Delta_{10}\Delta_{11}).$$

Also (D.2) implies

$$\kappa(X_1, X_2, X_3 X_4, X_5 X_6) = k_{1...6} + \sum_{\mu_{12}}^{15} \mu_{12} k_{3...6} + \sum_{\mu_{123}}^{10} \mu_{123} \mu_{456} + \sum_{\mu_{12}}^{15} \mu_{12} \mu_{34} \mu_{56} - \mu_{134} \mu_{256} - \mu_{234} \mu_{156}.$$

So, (3.17) follows. So,  $k_{.3}^{1234}$  is given by (3.6), (3.14)–(3.17).

Proof of Theorems 4.1 and 4.2. Note that  $A_1 = 0$  as required. Also

$$A_{12} = [12] = n^{-1} \sum_{N=1}^{n} S_{N \cdot 1} S_{N \cdot 2} = \langle 1, 2 \rangle, \qquad (D.3)$$

$$A_{123} = [123] = \sum_{3}^{3} \langle 1, 23 \rangle,$$
 (D.4)

$$A_{1234} = [1234] = \sum_{r=1}^{3} \langle 12, 34 \rangle + \sum_{r=1}^{4} \langle 1, 234 \rangle,$$
  
$$[\pi_1, \dots, \pi_r] = (-1)^r \lambda_r \langle \pi_1, \dots, \pi_r \rangle$$
(D.5)

for  $r \geq 1$ . So,  $[1,2] = \lambda_2 \langle 1,2 \rangle = \lambda_2 A_{12}$ . So, by (3.7), the asymptotic covariance of  $\hat{\theta}$  is given by (4.4). By (3.8), the asymptotic bias of  $\hat{\theta}$  is given by (4.5). For A diagonal (4.5) reduces to (4.14). By (3.4), (3.9) and (3.10), we have (4.6) and (4.15). Note that  $k_{12}^{12}$  is given by (3.5) in terms of (4.7)–(4.9). For A diagonal, (4.7), (4.8) and (4.9) reduce to (4.16), (4.17) and (4.18), respectively. Note that  $k_3^{i_1i_2i_3i_4} = k_{13}^{1234}$  is given by (3.6) in terms of (4.10)–(4.13). For A diagonal, (4.10)–(4.13) reduce to (4.19)–(4.22).

Proof of Theorem 6.1. Using the notational conventions of Section 2, tr Q = n - q so tr  $Q_{\cdot 1...r} = 0$  for  $r \ge 1$ . Also  $\Lambda_{\cdot 1...r} = n^{-1}Y'Q_{\cdot 1...r}Y$ , so

$$A_{1...r} = n^{-1} \text{tr} Q_{\cdot 1...r} (\lambda_2 I_n + SS') = n^{-1} S' Q_{\cdot 1...r} S = n^{-1} \beta' X' Q_{\cdot 1...r} X \beta.$$
(D.6)

Also

$$PX = X, \ QX = 0, \ Q_{\cdot 1}X + QX_{\cdot 1} = 0, \ X'Q_{\cdot 1}X = -X'QX_{\cdot 1} = 0, \ A_{1} = 0, Q_{\cdot 12}X + Q_{\cdot 1}X_{\cdot 2} + Q_{\cdot 2}X_{\cdot 1} + QX_{\cdot 12} = 0, X'Q_{\cdot 12}X = -\sum_{12}^{2} X'Q_{\cdot 1}X_{\cdot 2} = \sum_{12}^{2} X'_{\cdot 1}QX_{\cdot 2},$$
(D.7)

$$Q_{\cdot 123}X + \sum_{123}^{5} (Q_{\cdot 12}X_{\cdot 3} + Q_{\cdot 3}X_{\cdot 12}) + QX_{\cdot 123} = 0,$$
  
$$X'Q_{\cdot 123}X = -\sum_{123}^{3} X'(Q_{\cdot 12}X_{\cdot 3} + Q_{\cdot 3}X_{\cdot 12}) = \sum_{123}^{6} X'_{\cdot 1}Q_{\cdot 2}X_{\cdot 3} + \sum_{123}^{3} X'_{\cdot 1}QX_{\cdot 23}.$$
 (D.8)

By (6.2),

$$n^{-1}X'X = n^{-1}\sum_{N=1}^{n} x_N x'_N = T + O(n^{-1})$$
(D.9)

as  $n \to \infty$ , where  $T = \int_0^1 y(t)y(t)' dt$ . (Higher order terms are given by the Euler-McLaurin expansion.) Similarly, for  $\pi_1$ ,  $\pi_2$  sequences of integers,

$$n^{-1}X'_{\cdot\pi_1}X_{\cdot\pi_2} = n^{-1}\sum_{N=1}^n x_{N\cdot\pi_1}x'_{N\cdot\pi_2} = T(\pi_1,\pi_2) + O(n^{-1}).$$
(D.10)

Also

$$n^{-1}X'_{\cdot\pi_1}PX_{\cdot\pi_2} = (n^{-1}X'X_{\cdot\pi_1})'(n^{-1}X'X)^{-1}(n^{-1}X'X_{\cdot\pi_2}) = T(\cdot,\pi_1)'T^{-1}T(\cdot,\pi_2) + O(n^{-1})$$

where  $T(\cdot, \pi_2)$  is  $T(\pi_1, \pi_2)$  with  $\pi_1$  empty. So,

$$n^{-1}X'_{\cdot\pi_1}QX_{\cdot\pi_2} = T(\pi_1:\pi_2) + O(n^{-1}).$$
(D.11)

So, by (D.7),  $n^{-1}X'Q_{.12}X$  is bounded. So, by (D.6)  $A_{12}$  is bounded. The condition that  $A = (A_{12})$  be bounded away from zero holds because of (6.3). Similarly, the second term in the right hand side of (D.8) is O(n). That the first term is also follows similarly from

$$Q_{\cdot 1} = -P_{\cdot 1} = -X_{\cdot 1}MX' - XM_{\cdot 1}X' - XMX'_{\cdot 1}$$
 and  $M_{\cdot 1} = -ML_{\cdot 1}M$ ,

where  $M^{-1} = L = X'X$ . So,  $A_{123}$  is bounded. Similarly,  $A_{1...r}$  is bounded. We now show that  $\Delta_{\pi} = O_p(n^{-1/2})$ . Note that  $\Delta_{\pi} = 2\Delta_{1\pi} + \Delta_{2\pi}$  for  $\Delta_{1\pi} = n^{-1}e'Q_{\cdot\pi}S$  and  $\Delta_{2\pi} = n^{-1}e'Q_{\cdot\pi}e$ . Also  $\Delta_{1\pi} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, n^{-1}\lambda_2\beta'V_n\beta)$  for  $V_n = n^{-1}X'Q_{\cdot\pi}^2X = O(1)$  by a similar argument to above. So,  $\Delta_{1\pi} = O_p(n^{-1/2})$ . Also

$$E\Delta_{2\pi} = n^{-1}\lambda_2 \operatorname{tr} Q_{\cdot\pi} = 0, \ n^2 E\Delta_{2\pi}^2 = \lambda_4 \sum_{N=1}^n Q_{NN\cdot\pi}^2 + 2\lambda_2^2 \operatorname{tr} Q_{\cdot\pi}^2,$$
(D.12)

where  $Q_{N_1N_2}^2$  are the elements of Q. By a similar argument to above

$$\sum_{N=1}^{n} Q_{NN\cdot\pi}^2 = O(n^{-1}) \text{ and } \operatorname{tr} Q_{\cdot\pi}^2 = O(1).$$

So,  $\Delta_{2\pi} = O_p(n^{-1})$ . So, the conditions needed for Section 2 hold. *Proof of Theorem C.1.* Note that (C.1) holds. By Leibniz' rule,

$$G^{(r)}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{r} \binom{r}{k} N^{(r-k)}(x) I^{(k)}(x).$$

Also note that  $N^{(i)}(x) = N_i$ . By Faa di Bruno's rule, Comtet ([2], page 137), for  $f(D) = D^{-1}$ ,

$$I^{(k)}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{k} f_i B_{ki}(y)$$

for  $f_i = f^{(i)}(D) = (-1)^i i! D^{-i-1}$ ,  $y_i = D^{(i)}(x) = c^i \exp(cx) - \delta_{i0}$ , and  $B_{ki}(y)$  the partial exponential Bell polynomial tabled on page 307 of [2]. These are defined in terms of

$$S = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} z^k y_k / k!$$

by

$$S^i/i! = \sum_{k=i}^{\infty} z^k B_{ki}(y)/k!.$$

But in our case  $S = \exp(cx) \{\exp(cz) - 1\}$  giving  $B_{ki}(y) = \exp(icx)c^k C_{ki}/i!$ . As an aside, since  $B_{kk}(y) = y_1^k$ , we obtain the interesting identity  $C_{ki} = 0$  for k < i,  $C_{kk} = k!$ . So, with (C.1) we obtain the results of the theorem.

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