

# FLEXIBLE EMPIRICAL BAYES ESTIMATION FOR WAVELETS

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## WAVELET REGRESSION MODEL

Non-parametric Regression Model:

Observations  $\mathbf{Y} = (\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2, \dots, \mathbf{Y}_n)'$

Unknown Signal  $\mathbf{f} = (\mathbf{f}_1, \dots, \mathbf{f}_n)'$

Signal observed with error  $\mathbf{e}$ :  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{f} + \mathbf{e}$

Apply Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT):

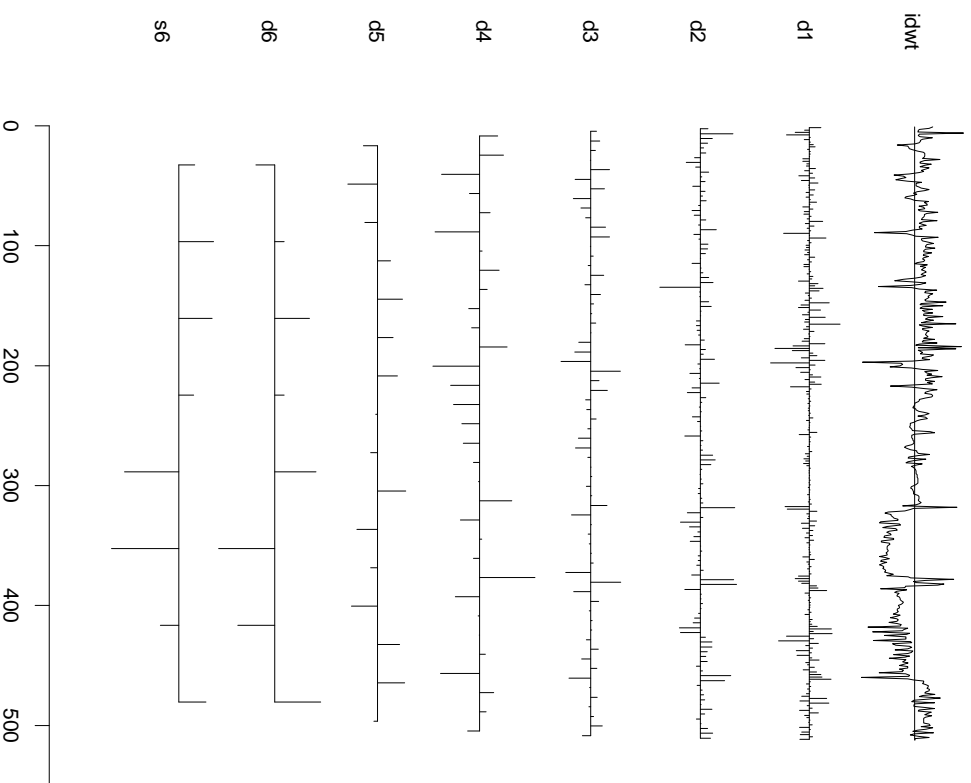
$\mathbf{W} = n \times n$  orthonormal matrix,  $\mathbf{W}'\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}' = \mathbf{I}$

$\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{W}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  are wavelet coefficients of  $\mathbf{f}$

$\mathbf{W}'\mathbf{Y} \equiv \mathbf{D}$ , DWT of data or empirical wavelet coefficients

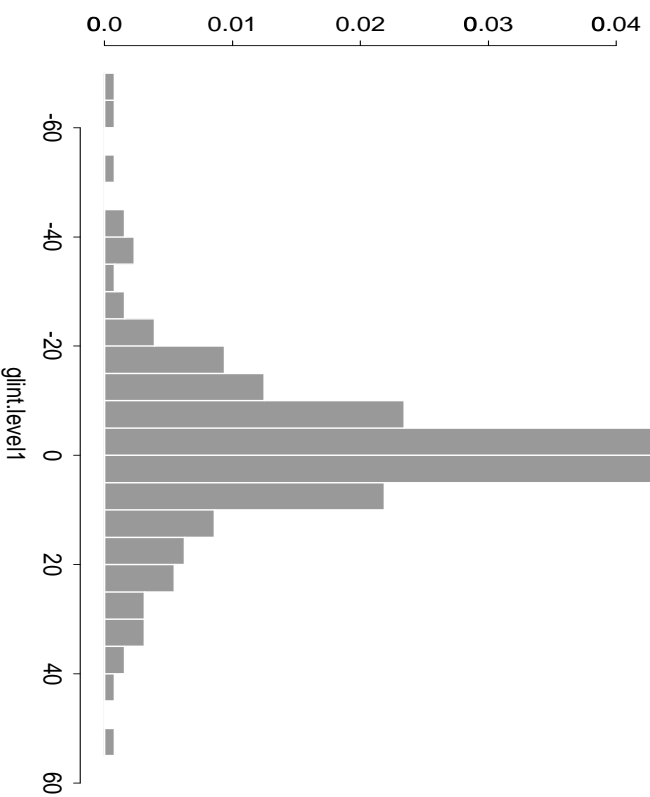
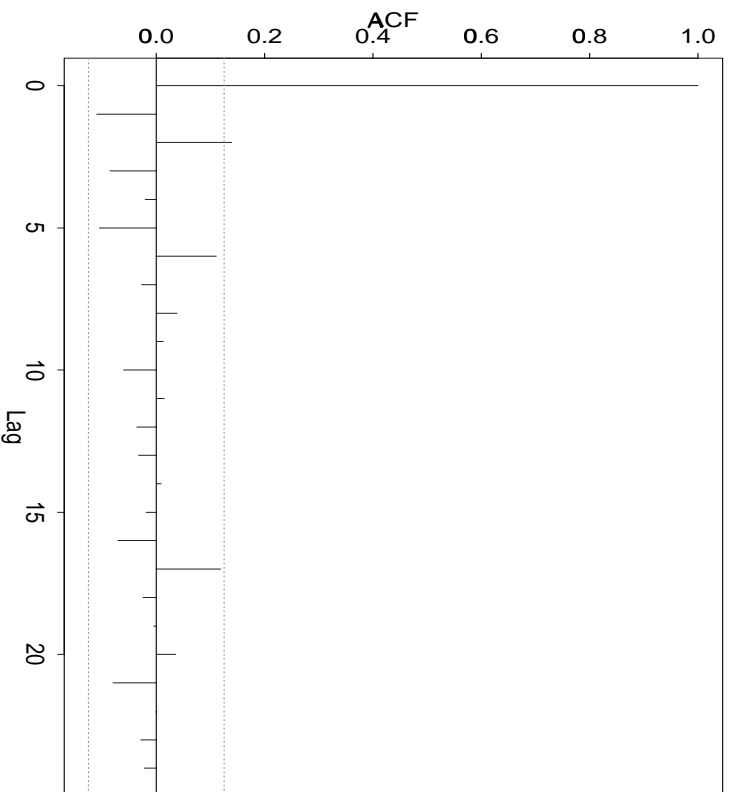
Wavelet Regression Model:  $\mathbf{D}_{jk} = \beta_{jk} + \epsilon_{jk}$

# Multi-resolution Discrete Wavelet Transformation



## Distributions

Series : glint.level1



**Uncorrelated**

**Heavy Tails and Outliers**

## Hierarchical Model in Wavelet Domain

$$D_{jk} = \beta_{jk} + \epsilon_{jk}$$

$$\epsilon_{jk} | \lambda_{jk} \sim N\left(0, \frac{\sigma^2}{\lambda_{jk}}\right)$$

$$\beta_{jk} | \gamma_{jk} \sim N\left(0, \mathbf{c}_j \frac{\gamma_{jk}}{\lambda_{jk}^*} \sigma^2\right)$$

$$\gamma_{jk} \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\omega_j)$$

$(\lambda_{jk}, \lambda_{jk}^*) \sim h$  i.e. independent Gamma distributions

Standard Normal Model  $\lambda_{jk} = \lambda_{jk}^* = 1$

Parameters:  $\sigma^2$ ,  $\mathbf{c}_j$ , and  $\omega_j$

## Posterior Distribution of $\gamma$

Because of the conditional independence structure in the prior and orthogonality of the DWT, the  $\gamma$ 's are a posteriori independent Bernoulli random variables:

$$\pi(\gamma_{j k} = 1 | \mathbf{Y}) = \frac{\mathcal{O}_{j k}}{1 + \mathcal{O}_{j k}} \quad \mathcal{O}_{j k} = \left( \frac{\omega_j}{1 - \omega_j} \right) \frac{m_1 (\mathbf{D}_{j k} | \gamma_{j k} = 1)}{m_0 (\mathbf{D}_{j k} | \gamma_{j k} = 0)}$$

$m_0$  is the marginal distribution of the data when  $\gamma_{j k} = 0$ :

$$m_0 (\mathbf{D}_{j k} | \gamma_{j k} = 0) = \int \left( \frac{\lambda_{j k}}{2\pi\sigma^2} \right)^{1/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{D}_{j k}^2 \lambda_{j k} / \sigma^2 \right\} h(d\lambda_{j k})$$

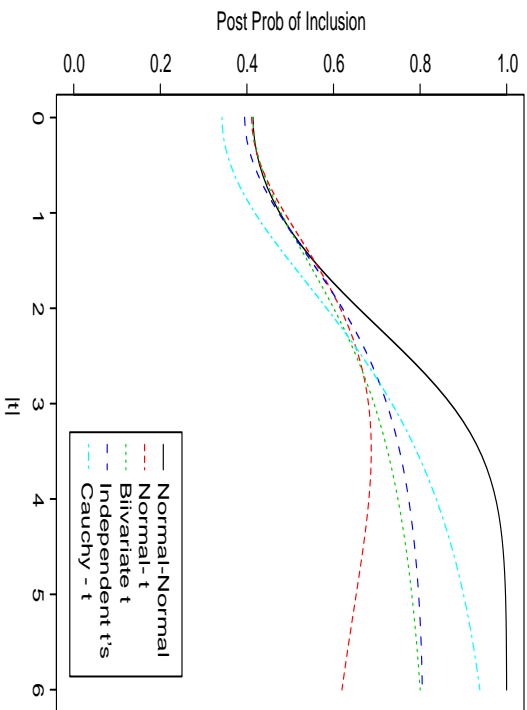
and  $m_1$  is the marginal distribution of the data when  $\gamma_{j k} = 1$ :

$$\iint \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \left( \frac{\mathbf{c}_j}{\lambda_{j k}^*} + \frac{1}{\lambda_{j k}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{D}_{j k}^2 \left( \frac{\sigma^2 \mathbf{c}_j}{\lambda_{j k}^*} + \frac{\sigma^2}{\lambda_{j k}} \right) \right\}^{-1} h(d\lambda_{j k}^*, d\lambda_{j k})$$

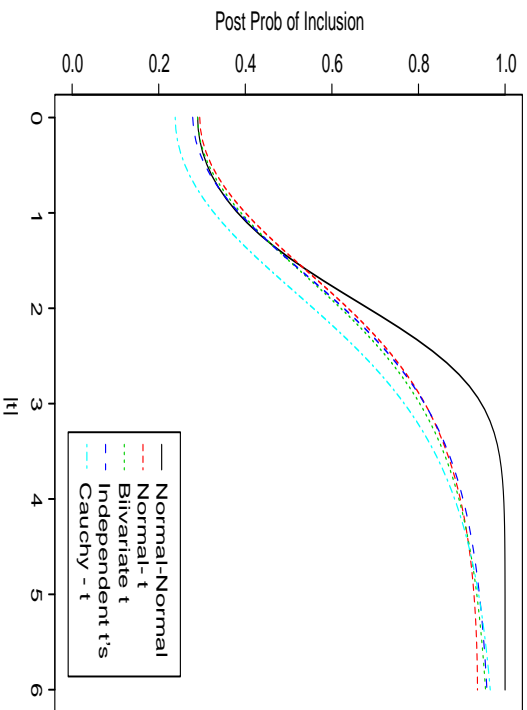
| Label                       | $\lambda_{jk}^*$ and $\lambda_{jk}$ Distributions  | $\beta_{jk}$ and $\epsilon_{jk}$ Distributions          | $\beta_{jk}$ and $\epsilon_{jk}$ Dependence |
|-----------------------------|--|---|---|
| <b>Normal-Normal</b>        | $\lambda_{jk}^* = \lambda_{jk} \equiv 1$   | Normal prior<br>Normal errors                           | Independent                                 |
| <b>Normal-<i>t</i></b>      | $\lambda_{jk}^* \equiv 1$<br>$\lambda_{jk} \sim \text{Gamma}(\nu/2, 2/\nu)$                        | <b>Normal prior</b><br><b><math>t_\nu</math> errors</b> | Independent                                 |
| <b>Independent <i>t</i></b> | $\lambda_{jk}^* \sim \text{Gamma}(\nu/2, 2/\nu)$<br>$\lambda_{jk} \sim \text{Gamma}(\nu/2, 2/\nu)$ | $t_\nu$ prior<br>$t_\nu$ errors                         | Independent                                 |
| <b>Cauchy-<i>t</i></b>      | $\lambda_{jk}^* \sim \text{Gamma}(1/2, 2)$<br>$\lambda_{jk} \sim \text{Gamma}(\nu/2, 2/\nu)$       | <b>Cauchy prior</b><br>$t_\nu$ errors                   | Independent                                 |
| <b>Bivariate <i>t</i></b>   | $\lambda_{jk}^* = \lambda_{jk}$<br>$\lambda_{jk} \sim \text{Gamma}(\nu/2, 2/\nu)$                  | $t_\nu$ prior<br>$t_\nu$ errors                         | Uncorrelated<br>But Dependent               |

# Posterior Probabilities

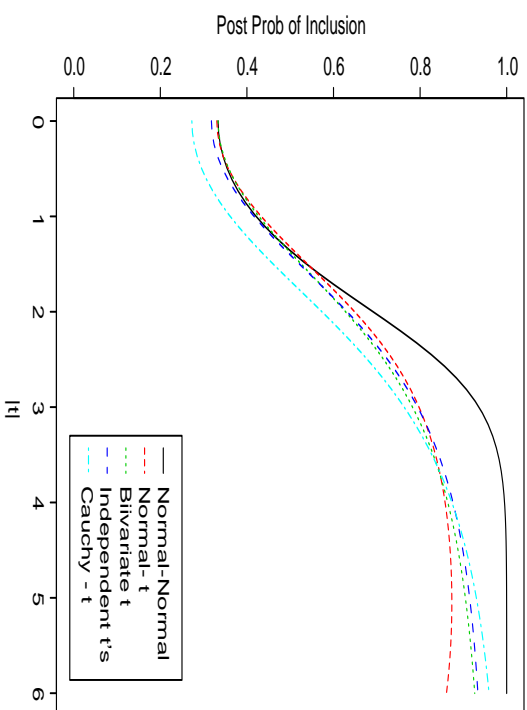
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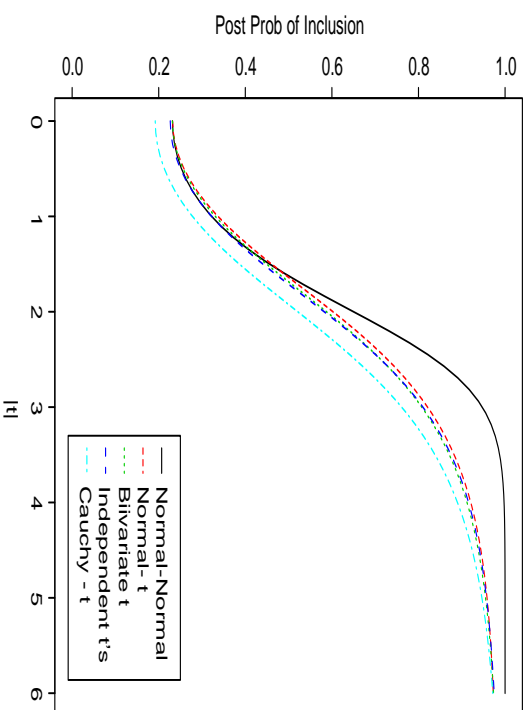
**c = 5 and df = 5**



**c = 3 and df = 5**



**c = 10 and df = 5**





## Bayes Threshold and Shrinkage Estimators

**Multiple Shrinkage Estimator (BMA):**

**Posterior Mean** (minimizes posterior expected squared error loss):

$$\hat{\beta}_{j_k} = \pi(\gamma_{j_k} = 1 | \mathbf{D}) E[\beta_{j_k} | \mathbf{D}_{j_k}, \gamma_{j_k} = 1]$$

**Threshold Estimator (Model Selection):**

**Posterior Mean under highest Posterior Probability model**

(optimal under squared error loss with model selection)

$$\hat{\beta}_{j_k} = \hat{\gamma}_{j_k} E[\beta_{j_k} | \mathbf{D}_{j_k}, \gamma_{j_k} = 1]$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\gamma}_{j_k} &= 1 & \text{if } \pi(\gamma_{j_k} = 1 | \mathbf{D}_{j_k}) \geq 0.5 \\ \hat{\gamma}_{j_k} &= 0 & \text{if } \pi(\gamma_{j_k} = 1 | \mathbf{D}_{j_k}) < 0.5 \end{aligned}$$

Transform estimates via IDWT to estimate  $\mathbf{f}$

## EMPIRICAL BAYES

Estimate  $\omega_j$  and  $\mathbf{c}_j$  and  $\sigma^2$  from the marginal likelihood of the data:

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{c}, \omega, \sigma^2) = \sum_j \sum_k \log [\omega_j m_1(\mathbf{D}_{jk}; \mathbf{c}_j, \sigma^2) + (1 - \omega_j) m_0(\mathbf{D}_{jk}; \sigma^2)]$$

### EM algorithm

1. Re-Introduce “latent data”  $\gamma$  and  $\lambda$ ; In Normal-Normal and Bivariate  $t$  complete data  $(\mathbf{D}, \gamma, \lambda)$  are from a regular exponential family

2. **E-step:**

**Expectation** of missing data given estimates of  $(\mathbf{c}, \omega, \sigma^2)$

3. **M-step:**

**Maximization** of complete data likelihood

New estimates of  $(\mathbf{c}, \omega, \sigma^2)$

## EM Algorithm for Bivariate t

**E-step:**

$$E(\lambda_{jk} \gamma_{jk} | \mathbf{D}) = \frac{\nu_j + 1}{\nu_j + \mathbf{D}_{jk}^2 \hat{\tau}_j^{(i)}} \hat{\gamma}_{jk}^{(i)} = [\hat{\lambda}_{jk} \hat{\gamma}_{jk}]^{(i)} \quad \tau_j = [(1 + \mathbf{c}_j) \sigma^2]^{-1}$$

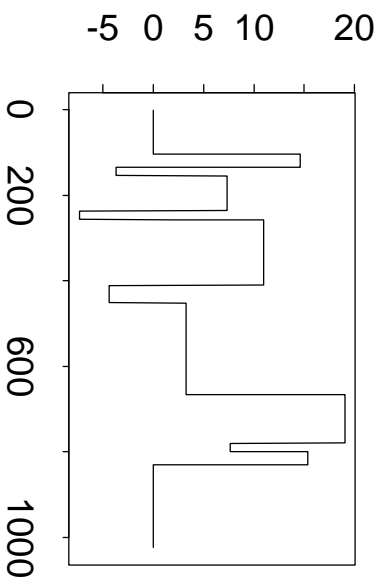
$$\begin{aligned} E(\lambda_{jk} (1 - \gamma_{jk}) | \mathbf{D}) &= \frac{\nu_j + 1}{\nu_j + \mathbf{D}_{jk}^2 \hat{\phi}^{(i)}} (1 - \hat{\gamma}_{jk}^{(i)}) = [\hat{\lambda}_{jk} (1 - \hat{\gamma}_{jk})]^{(i)} \quad \phi = 1/\sigma^2 \\ \hat{\gamma}_{jk}^{(i)} &= \pi \left( \gamma_{jk} = 1 | \mathbf{D}_{jk}, \hat{\mathbf{c}}_j^{(i)}, \hat{\omega}_j^{(i)} \hat{\sigma}^{(i)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

**M-Step:**

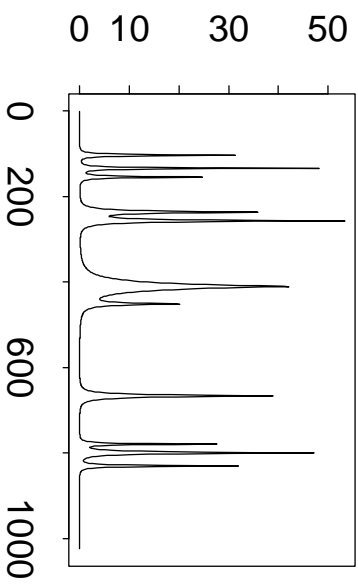
$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\sigma}_{2^{(i+1)}} &= \frac{\sum_{jk} \mathbf{D}_{jk}^2 [\hat{\lambda}_{jk} (1 - \hat{\gamma}_{jk})]^{(i)}}{n - \sum_{jk} \hat{\gamma}_{jk}^{(i)}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{c}}_j^{(i+1)} &= \max \left( 0, \frac{\sum_k \mathbf{D}_{jk}^2 [\hat{\lambda}_{jk} \hat{\gamma}_{jk}]^{(i)}}{\hat{\sigma}_{2^{(i+1)}} \sum_k \hat{\gamma}_{jk}^{(i)}} - 1 \right) \\ \hat{\omega}_j^{(i+1)} &= \frac{\sum_k \hat{\gamma}_{jk}^{(i)}}{n_j} \end{aligned}$$

## Test Functions

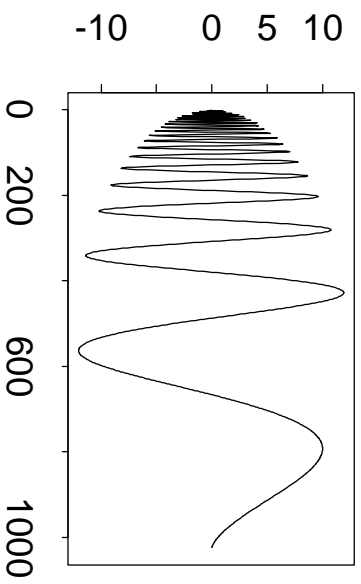
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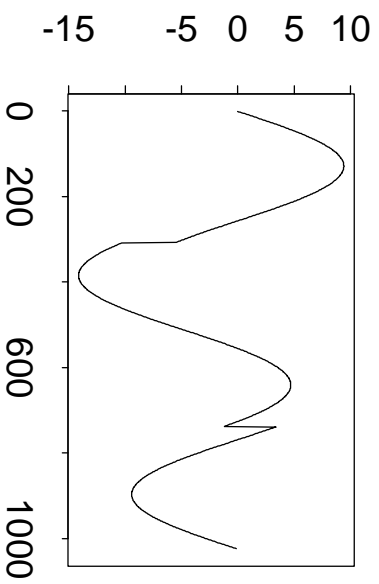
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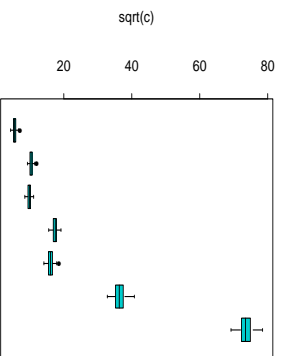


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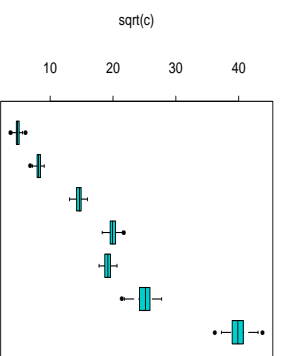


# EB Estimates by Level

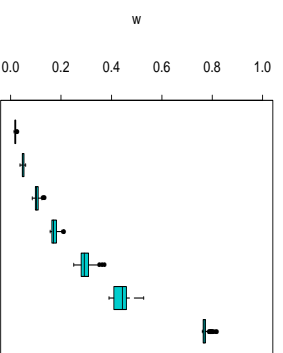
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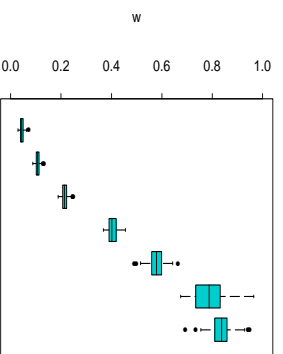
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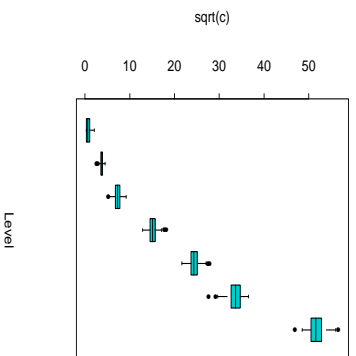
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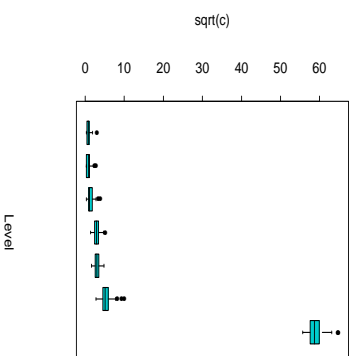
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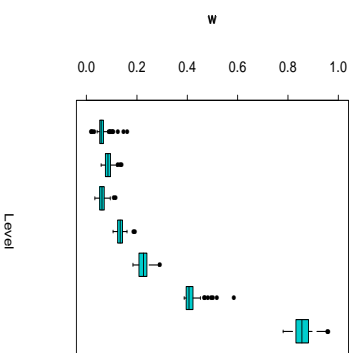
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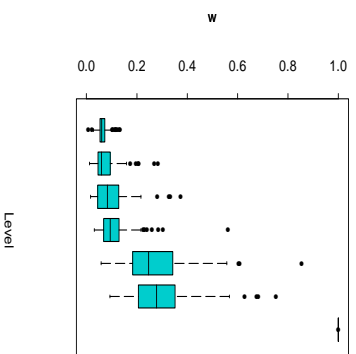
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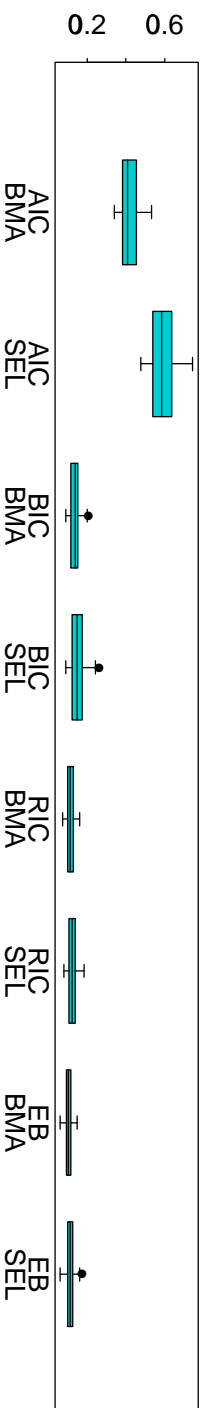


$$c_j^{1/2}$$

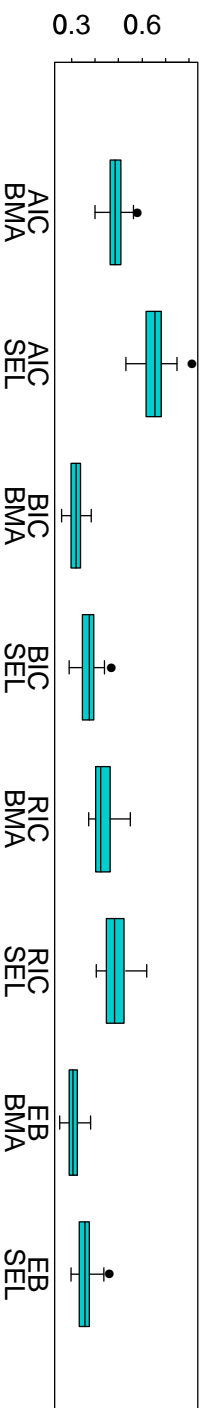
$$w_j$$

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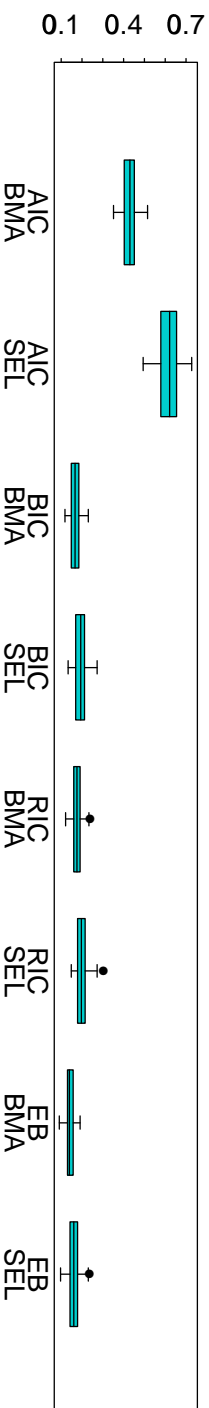
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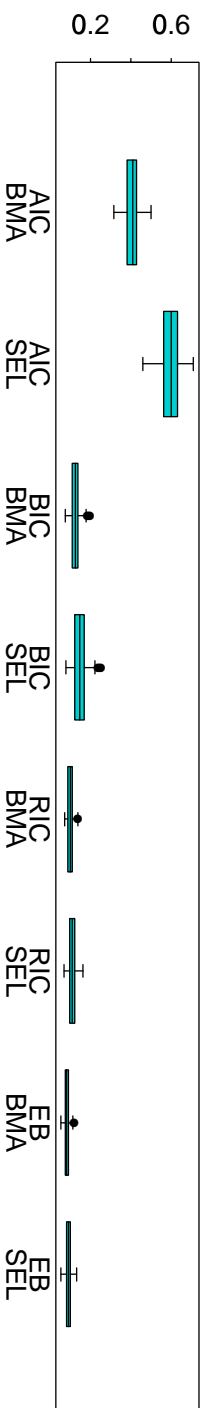
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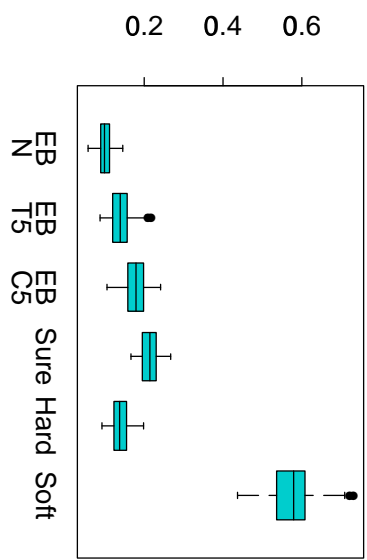


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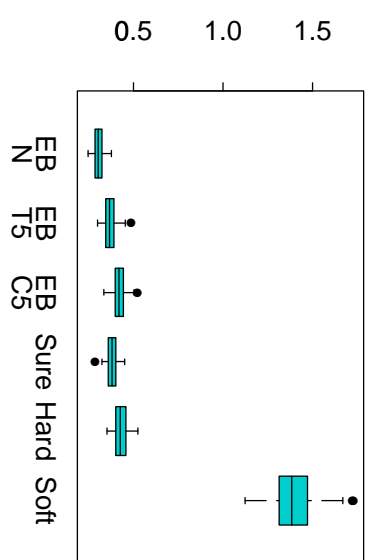


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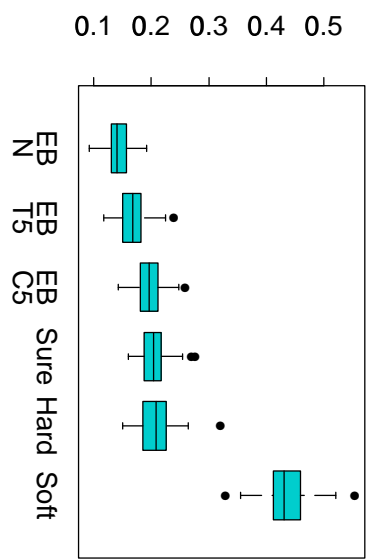
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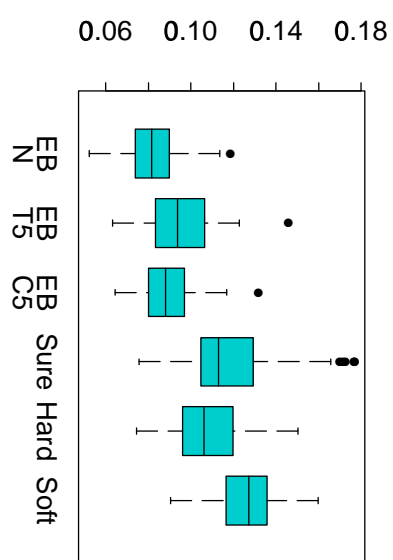
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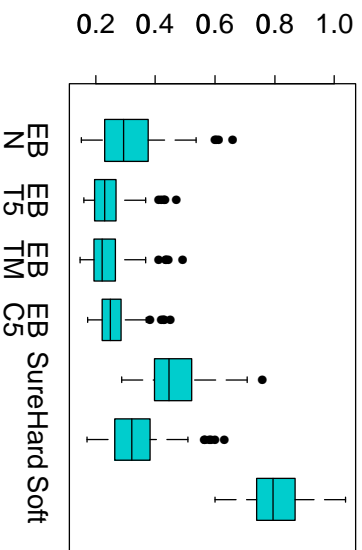


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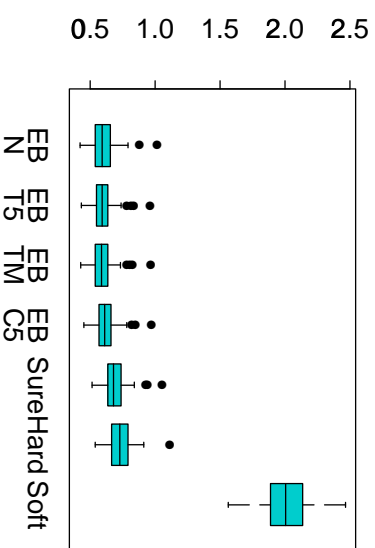


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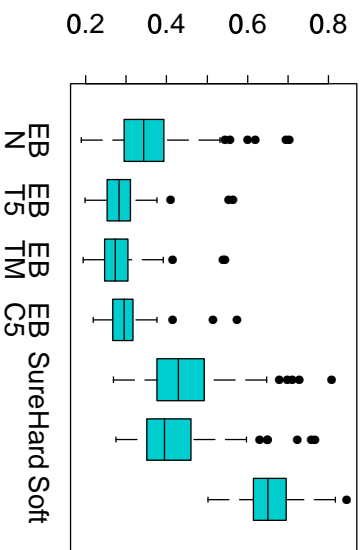
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