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# ORIGINAL ARTICLE

# ON COINTEGRATION FOR PROCESSES INTEGRATED AT DIFFERENT FREQUENCIES

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This article explores the possibility of cointegration existing between processes integrated at different frequencies. Using the demodulator operator, we show that such cointegration can exist and explore its form using both complex- and real-valued representations. A straightforward approach to test for the presence of cointegration between processes integrated at different frequencies is proposed, with a Monte Carlo study and an application showing that the testing approach works well.

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

To date, the vast literature on cointegration has focused primarily on the long-run characteristics of economic time series through the analysis of zero frequency unit roots. Nevertheless, economic and financial time series may exhibit unit roots at other frequencies; in particular, Engle *et al.* (1993), Johansen and Schaumburg (1999), Ahn and Reinsel (1994) and Bauer and Wagner (2012) analyze the seasonal case, while Bierens (2001) and Caporale *et al.* (2013) consider unit roots associated with the business cycle. However, such analyses typically examine a specific frequency, without allowing the possibility that the responses of economic agents may vary in relation to the seasonal or business cycle.

The current article studies long-run linkages between time series with unit roots at different frequencies. Thus, for example, we consider the nature of any cointegration between two series integrated at different harmonic frequencies, or where one series is integrated at the zero frequency and the other at a business cycle or seasonal frequency. To our knowledge, no previous study has examined the possibility or nature of such cointegration. Succinctly stating our main result, we show that cointegration can exist between time series that are integrated at different frequencies, with this being a specific type of time-varying polynomial cointegration. More specifically, the cointegrating relationship is dynamic with coefficients that exhibit cyclical variation, so that a long-run relationship can vary over the seasonal or business cycle.

Polynomial cointegration is discussed in the literature in the contexts of (so-called) seasonal cointegration and multi-cointegration (see Granger and Lee, 1989; Hylleberg *et al.*, 1990, respectively), while Gregoir (1999a, 1999b) undertakes a general analysis of these cases. Cubadda (2001) provides an alternative representation of the polynomial cointegration arising in the seasonal case in terms of complex-valued cointegration, which is developed

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further by Cubadda and Omtzigt (2005), and Gregoir (2006, 2010). Although we take a similar approach to these latter authors, we relax the restrictions that cointegration applies only at a single frequency and that cointegrating vectors are time invariant.

As examined by Park and Hahn (1999) and Bierens and Martins (2010), time-varying cointegration allows the relevant coefficients to change smoothly over time in any direction. Such a general specification is, however, problematic in that it raises the question of what underlying mechanism drives these changes and hence it is not surprising that other authors place some economic structure on the nature of the temporal variation exhibited by the long-run relationship; for example, Hall *et al.* (1997) allow the cointegrating relationship to change with the economic environment through the use of a Markov-switching specification. In a seasonal context, Birchenhall *et al.* (1989) develop a periodic cointegration model for income and non-durable consumption, arguing that seasonal preferences may lead to long-run coefficients that vary with the time of the year. This article has a different focus, namely to consider the possibility of cross-frequency cointegration. If seasonal preferences lead to seasonal unit roots in consumption, then the evolution of seasonal demand could be driven by (cointegrated with) the level of income; for example, higher income could be associated with a greater concentration of foreign holidays in summer.

The present article generalizes periodic cointegration to show that temporal variation in the coefficients of a long-run relationship, with this variation being of a cyclic nature, can deliver cointegration between variables that are individually integrated at different frequencies. This approach encompasses not only variation associated with the seasons, but also over a cycle at a business cycle frequency. Some of our results are implicit in analyses of periodic cointegration (see, in particular, Ghysels and Osborn, 2001; Franses and Paap, 2004), but the cross-frequency cointegration implications have not previously been drawn out.

In our analysis, a central role is played by the complex demodulator operator, which transforms a real valued process integrated at a frequency different from zero to a complex-valued process that is integrated at frequency zero. The idea of complex demodulation has a long history in time series analysis (see, e.g. Bloomfield, 1976, chapter 6, and the references therein) but, to the best of our knowledge, it has not been previously used to investigate the presence of cointegration among series that are integrated at different frequencies.

This article is organized as follows. Section 2 reviews the notions of integration at a given frequency and the demodulator operator. Section 3 presents our theoretical results. First, we show that two complex valued processes integrated at different frequencies can cointegrate and the connection of this with the demodulator operator. Second, we examine in detail the various forms of cointegration that may exist between real valued time series integrated at different frequencies. Third, we tackle inferential issues. Some formal results are presented in an Appendix, with proofs of the lemmas stated there available as an additional Appendix S1 (Supporting Information). In Section 4, a Monte Carlo simulation exercise documents the finite sample properties of the tests that we suggest. Section 5 presents an empirical application to illustrate concepts and methods. Finally, Section 6 concludes.

It is useful to introduce some notation at this stage. Our analysis is concerned with a cyclical process which has N observations per cycle; for example, N = 4 for quarterly seasonal data or N = 6 for annual data following a six year business cycle. The analysis of the Appendix uses the vector of seasons (or, more generally, cycles) representation that indicates a specific observation within the cycle. This double subscript notation is also sometimes used below and it is important to appreciate that, in this vector notation,  $x_{n\tau}$  indicates the *n*th observation within the  $\tau$ th cycle; for example with quarterly data  $x_{n\tau}$  is the *n*th quarter of year  $\tau$  within the available sample. Assuming that t = 1 represents the first period within a cycle, the identity  $t = N(\tau - 1) + n$  provides the link between the usual time index and the vector notation.

## 2. INTEGRATION AT A FREQUENCY

It is useful to have a notation for the operator that removes a single unit root at a spectral frequency  $\omega \in [0, \pi]$ . To this end, and following Gregoir (1999a) and Cubadda (1999), we adopt the notation

$$\Delta_{\omega} = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-i\omega}L, & \omega = 0, \ \pi \\ 1 - 2\cos\omega L + L^2 = (1 - e^{-i\omega}L)(1 - e^{i\omega}L), & \omega \in (0, \pi) \end{cases}$$
(1)

where *L* is the conventional lag operator. Special cases include the conventional first difference operator  $\Delta_0 = 1-L$ , while  $\Delta_{\pi} = 1 + L$  and  $\Delta_{\pi/2} = 1 + L^2$  remove unit roots at the semi-annual and annual frequencies, respectively, for a seasonally integrated quarterly process (Hylleberg *et al.*, 1990), and  $\Delta_{\pi/3} = 1 - L + L^2$  removes a unit root corresponding to a cycle of six year (month) duration in annual (monthly) data.

To pin down the concept of integration at some frequency  $\omega$ , we adopt the following definition, used by Gregoir (1999a):

**Definition 1.** A purely non-deterministic real-valued random process  $x_t$  is integrated of order d, for non-negative integer d, at frequency  $\omega \in [0, \pi]$  if  $\Delta_{\omega}^d x_t$  is a covariance stationary process such that, for zero mean white noise  $\varepsilon_t$ , its Wold representation

$$\Delta_{\omega}^{d} x_{t} = c(L) \varepsilon_{t} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_{j} \varepsilon_{t-j}$$

satisfies  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_j^2 < \infty$ ,  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j \left| c_j \right| < \infty$  and  $c(e^{i\omega}) \neq 0$ .

Following Hylleberg *et al.* (1990) and Gregoir (1999a), a process  $x_t$  satisfying Definition 1 is denoted  $x_t \sim I_{\omega}(d)$ . Although some authors, including Gray *et al.* (1989) and Caporale *et al.* (2013), allow fractional *d*, which is particularly relevant for financial time series, we are interested in cointegration for unit root economic time series which are typically  $I_{\omega}(1)$  after taking account of deterministic effects. Obviously,  $x_t \sim I_0(1)$  corresponds to a conventional (single) unit root process integrated at the zero frequency.

Although the differencing operator  $\Delta_{\omega}$  of (1) is defined for a real valued series, it is useful for the analysis that follows to consider complex-valued processes. Specifically, when  $x_t \sim I_{\omega}(1)$  we consider individually each of the two factors  $(1 - e^{\pm i\omega}L)$  of  $\Delta_{\omega}$  for  $\omega \in (0, \pi)$ . Then, for

$$x_t = 2\cos(\omega)x_{t-1} - x_{t-2} + v_t,$$
(2)

with real-valued  $v_t \sim I_{\omega}(0)$ , define the complex-valued process

$$x_{t}^{-} = x_{t} - e^{i\omega}x_{t-1}.$$
(3)

It is then straightforward to see that

$$x_t^- = e^{-i\omega} x_{t-1}^- + v_t.$$
(4)

Successive substitution from (4) yields

$$x_{t}^{-} = e^{-i\omega t} x_{0}^{-} + \sum_{s=0}^{t-1} e^{-i\omega s} v_{t-s}$$
$$= e^{-i\omega t} \left[ x_{0}^{-} + \sum_{\ell=1}^{t} e^{i\omega\ell} v_{\ell} \right]$$
(5)

where  $e^{-i\omega t}$  is the demodulator operator and  $x_0^-$  is assumed to be  $O_p(1)$  (with  $x_0^-$  been part of the starting value of  $x_r^-$  that is,  $e^{-i\omega t}x_0^-$ ).

As noted by Gregoir (1999a, 2006) and del Barrio Castro et al. (2018, 2019), (5) is equivalent to

$$x_{t}^{-} = e^{-i\omega t} x_{t}^{(0)-}$$
(6)

where1

$$x_{t}^{(0)-} = x_{0}^{-} + \sum_{\ell=1}^{t} e^{i\omega\ell} v_{\ell} \sim I_{0}(1)$$

Note that, here it is clearly shown that  $x_0^-$  is the starting value of  $x_t^{(0)-}$  and that  $e^{-i\omega t}x_0^-$  is the starting value of  $x_t^-$ . The demodulator operator of (5) therefore shifts the zero frequency peak of the complex-valued process  $x_t^{(0)-}$  to frequency  $\omega$ , leading to a complex-valued  $x_t^- \sim I_{\omega}(1)$ . The demodulator operator provides the key to cointegration between processes integrated at different frequencies, examined in subsequent sections.<sup>2</sup> Further note that, using the identity  $e^{\pm i\omega \ell} = \cos(\omega \ell) \pm i \sin(\omega \ell)$ , (5) can also be written as

$$x_t^- = e^{-i\omega t} \left[ x_0^- + \sum_{\ell=1}^t \cos\left(\omega \,\ell\right) v_\ell + i \sum_{\ell=1}^t \sin\left(\omega \,\ell\right) v_\ell \right]. \tag{7}$$

Following an analogous line of argument, the complex-valued process  $x_t^+ \sim I_{\omega}(1)$  can also be constructed, where

$$x_t^+ = e^{i\omega}x_{t-1}^+ + v_t = e^{i\omega t}x_t^{(0)+}$$
(8)

and  $x_{t}^{(0)+} = x_{0}^{+} + \sum_{\ell=1}^{t} e^{-i\omega\ell} v_{\ell} \sim I_{0}(1)$ . It is also clear that

$$x_t^+ = e^{i\omega t} \left[ x_0^+ + \sum_{\ell=1}^t \cos\left(\omega\,\ell\right) v_\ell - i \sum_{\ell=1}^t \sin\left(\omega\,\ell\right) v_\ell \right],\tag{9}$$

where the starting value  $x_0^+$  is the complex conjugate of  $x_0^-$  in (5). Hence  $x_t^-$  and  $x_t^+$  form a complex conjugate pair of processes.

Lemma 1 in the Appendix summarizes the stochastic characteristics of (4) at the frequency  $\omega_j = 2\pi j/N$ , j = 1, ..., (N-1)/2, corresponding to a cycle of N/j periods. In particular, when appropriately scaled,  $\sum_{\ell=1}^{t} \cos(\omega \ell) v_{\ell}$ 

and  $\sum_{\ell=1}^{r} \sin(\omega \ell) v_{\ell}$  converge to the independent Brownian motions  $w_{R}^{\nu}(r)$  and  $w_{I}^{\nu}(r)$  respectively of Lemma 1; see also Gregoir (2006) and del Barrio Castro *et al.* (2012, Remark 7). In Lemma 1 and in all the lemmas in the Appendix we assume for simplicity and to focus on the main ideas of the article that  $v_{I} \sim i.i.d. (0, \sigma^{2})$ .

#### 3. COINTEGRATION FOR PROCESSES INTEGRATED AT DIFFERENT FREQUENCIES

We initially focus on the long run relationships between complex-valued processes with unit roots at different frequencies, showing that long-run (cointegrating) relationships between such processes can exist. Cointegration is then discussed for real-valued processes, with these long-run relationships generally polynomial in form with periodically (seasonally or cyclically) varying coefficients. The final subsection considers econometric approaches to testing for cointegration. To ensure distinct frequencies, we consider  $x_t \sim I_{\omega_j}(1)$  and  $y_t \sim I_{\omega_k}(1)$  where  $\omega_j = 2\pi j/N$  and  $\omega_k = 2\pi k/N$  with  $j \neq k$ .

Most of the analysis of this section and also the Appendix assumes that  $x_t$  and  $y_t$  each have unit roots at a single frequency. Section 3.3 on econometric strategies includes a discussion of the situation where one series has unit roots at multiple frequencies, a case which arises in our empirical application.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note that as  $v_t \sim I_{\omega}(0)$  is the  $\omega$ -frequency first difference of the real valued  $I_{\omega}(1)$  process (2),  $e^{i\omega t}v_t$  acts as the complex-valued increment of the  $I_0(1)$  process  $x_t^{(0)-}$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The demodulator operator is also used in Theorem 4 of Johansen and Schaumburg (1999) in a multi-variate setting.

#### 3.1. Cointegration Between Complex-valued Processes

Based on the results of the previous section, define the following triangular system with a long-run relationship (cointegration) at the zero frequency between two complex-valued processes:

$$y_t^{(0)-} = \beta x_t^{(0)-} + u_t$$

$$x_t^{(0)-} = x_{t-1}^{(0)-} + e^{i\omega_t t} v_t$$
(10)

where both the cointegrating coefficient  $\beta$  and the process  $u_t \sim I(0)$  are generally complex-valued. Since  $x_t^{(0)-} = e^{i\omega_t t} x_t^-$  from (6), (10) can also be written as

$$y_{t}^{(0)-} = \beta e^{i\omega_{j}t} x_{t}^{-} + u_{t}$$

$$x_{t}^{-} = e^{-i\omega_{j}} x_{t-1}^{-} + v_{t}.$$
(11)

Note that multiplying the first line of (11) by  $e^{-i\omega_j t}$  leads to the triangular system of Gregoir (2010, p. 1499).

The system (11) exhibits a long-run (cointegrating) relationship between  $y_t^{(0)-} \sim I_0(1)$ , a complex-valued process integrated at the zero frequency, and  $x_t^- \sim I_{\omega_j}(1)$ , a complex-valued process integrated at the frequency  $\omega_j$ . It is also important to note that the relationship between  $y_t^{(0)-}$  and  $x_t^-$  is a form of periodic cointegration, since the cointegrating coefficient  $\beta e^{i\omega_j t} = \beta e^{i\omega_j (N(\tau-1)+n)} = \beta e^{i\omega_j n}$  is cyclically varying.<sup>3</sup> Lemma 5 in the Appendix summarizes the stochastic behavior of the triangular system (11) using the vector of seasons notation and, in particular, (A3) shows that  $y_t^{(0)-}$  and  $x_t^-$  share a single common complex-valued stochastic trend; hence there are 2N - 1 cointegrating relationships between the two series across the N observations of a complete cycle.

Premultiplying (11) by the demodulator operator  $e^{-i\omega_k t}$  shifts the complex-valued process  $y_t^{(0)-}$  from the zero frequency to frequency  $\omega_k = 2\pi k/N$  with  $k = 0, 1, ..., \lfloor N/2 \rfloor$ , where  $\lfloor N/2 \rfloor$  is the integer part of N/2. With  $j \neq k$  we then have:

$$e^{-i\omega_k t} y_t^{(0)-} = \beta e^{i\left[\omega_j - \omega_k\right]t} x_t^- + e^{-i\omega_k t} u_t.$$

Since, analogously to (6),  $y_t^- = e^{-i\omega_k t} y_t^{(0)-}$ , clearly  $y_t^-$  is a complex-valued process integrated at frequency  $\omega_k$  that shares a single common stochastic trend with  $x_t^-$ , a complex-valued process integrated at frequency  $\omega_j$ . Hence the bivariate system

$$y_{t}^{-} = \beta e^{-i[\omega_{k} - \omega_{j}]t} x_{t}^{-} + e^{-i\omega_{k}t} u_{t}$$

$$x_{t}^{-} = e^{-i\omega_{j}} x_{t-1}^{-} + v_{t}$$
(12)

links  $y_t^- \sim I_{\omega_k}(1)$  and  $x_t^- \sim I_{\omega_j}(1)$  through the periodic cointegration relationship  $\left[1, -\beta e^{i\left[\omega_j - \omega_k\right]t}\right]'$  with a different coefficient for each observation within the cycle of *N* observations. Lemma 6 in the Appendix formalizes this result and summarizes the stochastic behavior of the triangular system (12) using the vector of seasons notation, with (A4) writing this system in terms of the same complex-valued common trend as for the system (11).

To summarize, (11) and (12), together with (A3) and (A4) of the Appendix, show that a unique long-run cointegrating relationship can exist between complex-valued processes integrated at different frequencies.

The next subsection discusses the implications of such cointegration for real-valued processes. For this purpose, it will be convenient to explicitly indicate the complex-valued nature of the cointegration by writing  $\beta = \beta_R + i\beta_I$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As  $\omega_i = 2\pi j/N$  it is evident that  $\omega_i (N(\tau - 1) + n)$  is periodic and hence the identity  $\beta e^{i\omega_j (N(\tau - 1) + n)} = \beta e^{i\omega_j n}$  holds.

and  $u_t = \operatorname{Re}(u_t) + i \operatorname{Im}(u_t)$ , so that (10) becomes

$$y_t^{(0)-} = \left[\beta_R + i\beta_I\right] x_t^{(0)-} + \operatorname{Re}(u_t) + i\operatorname{Im}(u_t)$$
(13)  
$$x_t^{(0)-} = x_{t-1}^{(0)-} + e^{i\omega_t t} v_t.$$

Furthermore, there also exists the system

$$y_t^{(0)+} = \left[\beta_R - i\beta_I\right] x_t^{(0)+} + \operatorname{Re}(u_t) - i\operatorname{Im}(u_t)$$

$$x_t^{(0)+} = x_{t-1}^{(0)+} + e^{-i\omega_j t} v_t$$
(14)

which forms the complex conjugate system to (10). Since, clearly,

$$\operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-}) = \operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)+}), \ \operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-}) = -\operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)+})$$
(15)

and

$$\operatorname{Re}(y_t^{(0)-}) = \operatorname{Re}(y_t^{(0)+}), \ \operatorname{Im}(y_t^{(0)-}) = -\operatorname{Im}(y_t^{(0)+}),$$
(16)

cointegration can be equivalently considered using either  $y_t^{(0)-}$  and  $x_t^{(0)-}$  or  $y_t^{(0)+}$  and  $x_t^{(0)+}$ .

Finally, note also that  $\omega_k = \omega_{N/2} = \pi$  in (12) leads to a long-run relationship between a process integrated at a harmonic frequency  $\omega_j = 2\pi j/N$  and a process integrated at the Nyquist frequency ( $\pi$ ). Similarly,  $\omega_k = 0$  leads to cointegration between a process integrated at a harmonic frequency and a zero frequency unit root process. These special cases and their implications are also discussed in the next subsection.

#### 3.2. Cointegration Between Real-valued Processes

This subsection extends the analysis to examine the implications of cointegration at different frequencies for real-valued processes, which enables inference to be applied to observed time series. Since slightly different considerations arise when one process is integrated at the zero or Nyquist frequency, four cases are considered: namely  $\omega_k, \omega_j \in (0, \pi); \omega_k = 0, \omega_j \in (0, \pi); \omega_k = \pi, \omega_j \in (0, \pi); \omega_k = 0, \omega_j = \pi.$ 

# 3.2.1. $I_{\omega_k}(1)$ and $I_{\omega_i}(1)$ processes with $\omega_k, \omega_i \in (0, \pi)$

One approach to cointegration is to transform one variable (say  $x_t \sim I_{\omega_j}(1)$ ) so that its unit root is shifted to the frequency of the unit root in the other  $(y_t \sim I_{\omega_k}(1))$ . This is achieved in the cointegrating relation of the first line of (12) in which  $e^{i(\omega_j - \omega_k)t}x_t^- \sim I_{\omega_k}(1)$  and  $e^{-i\omega_k t}u_t \sim I_{\omega_k}(0)$ . It is tedious but not difficult to see that taking the real and imaginary parts of this equation leads to

$$y_t = \cos(\omega_k)y_{t-1} + \beta_{0,t}x_t + [\beta_{1,t}\sin(\omega_j) - \beta_{0,t}\cos(\omega_j)]x_{t-1} + z_{R,t}$$
(17)

$$\sin(\omega_k)y_{t-1} = -\beta_{1,t}x_t + [\beta_{1,t}\cos(\omega_i) + \beta_{0,t}\sin(\omega_i)]x_{t-1} - z_{Lt}$$
(18)

where

$$\beta_{0,t} = \beta_R \cos[(\omega_j - \omega_k)t] - \beta_I \sin[(\omega_j - \omega_k)t)],$$

$$\beta_{1,t} = \beta_R \sin[(\omega_j - \omega_k)t] + \beta_I \cos[(\omega_j - \omega_k)t]$$
(19)

and

$$z_{R,t} = \operatorname{Re}(e^{-i\omega_k t}u_t) = \cos(\omega_k t)\operatorname{Re}(u_t) + \sin(\omega_k t)\operatorname{Im}(u_t)$$
$$z_{L,t} = \operatorname{Im}(e^{-i\omega_k t}u_t) = \cos(\omega_k t)\operatorname{Im}(u_t) - \sin(\omega_k t)\operatorname{Re}(u_t)$$

Given that  $z_{R,t}, z_{l,t} \sim I_{\omega_k}(0)$ , the system (17) and (18) provides two cointegrating relationships at frequency  $\omega_k$  between time series that are integrated at different harmonic frequencies, both of which are implied by the single complex-valued cointegration relationship of (12). The relationships of (17) and (18) are polynomial, because lags of  $y_t$  and  $x_t$  are involved, and time-evolving, because their coefficients vary in a periodic fashion. For the special case of  $\omega_k = \omega_j$ , the system (17) and (18) reduces to the result reported in Gregoir (2010). Lemma 9 of the Appendix, specifically, (A6) summarizes the stochastic behavior of the triangular system (17) and (18) with  $x_t = 2 \cos(\omega_j)x_{t-1} - x_{t-2} + v_t$  and establishes that the combined  $2N \times 1$  vector of processes for  $y_t$  and  $x_t$  over a cycle of N observations is driven by two common trends.

Also note that (17) and (18) can be summarized in a single expression involving the observed series by taking  $(17) + \cot(\omega_k)(18)$ , yielding

$$y_{t} = \left[\beta_{0,t} - \cot\left(\omega_{k}\right)\beta_{1,t}\right]x_{t} + \left[\beta_{1,t}\left(\sin(\omega_{j}) + \cot\left(\omega_{k}\right)\cos(\omega_{j})\right) - \beta_{0,t}\left(\cos(\omega_{j}) - \cot\left(\omega_{k}\right)\sin(\omega_{j})\right)\right]x_{t-1} + z_{R,t} - \cot\left(\omega_{k}\right)z_{t,t}.$$
(20)

Using (19) and trigonometric identities for the cosine and sine of the sum of two angles, (20) can also be expressed

$$y_{t} = \left\{ \beta_{R} \left[ \cos \left( \left[ \omega_{j} - \omega_{k} \right] t \right) - \cot \left( \omega_{k} \right) \sin \left( \left[ \omega_{j} - \omega_{k} \right] t \right) \right] \right. \\ \left. - \beta_{I} \left[ \sin \left( \left[ \omega_{j} - \omega_{k} \right] t \right) + \cot \left( \omega_{k} \right) \cos \left( \left[ \omega_{j} - \omega_{k} \right] t \right) \right] \right\} x_{t} \\ \left. - \left\{ \beta_{R} \left[ \cos \left( \omega_{j} \left[ t + 1 \right] - \omega_{k} t \right) - \cot \left( \omega_{k} \right) \sin \left( \omega_{j} \left[ t + 1 \right] - \omega_{k} t \right) \right] \right. \\ \left. - \beta_{I} \left[ \sin \left( \omega_{j} \left[ t + 1 \right] - \omega_{k} t \right) + \cot \left( \omega_{k} \right) \cos \left( \omega_{j} \left[ t + 1 \right] - \omega_{k} t \right) \right] \right\} x_{t-1} \\ \left. + z_{R,t} - \cot \left( \omega_{k} \right) z_{I,t}. \right\}$$

$$(21)$$

The relationship of (21) is used in Lemma 9 and also for generating simulated series in the Monte Carlo analysis of Section 4.

To obtain an alternative representation to (17) and (18) that is more suitable for inference purposes, note that the complex-valued cointegrating relationship of (13) can be written as

$$\operatorname{Re}(y_t^{(0)-}) + i\operatorname{Im}(y_t^{(0)-}) = \beta_R \operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-}) - \beta_I \operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-}) + i\left[\beta_I \operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-}) + \beta_R \operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-})\right] + \operatorname{Re}(u_t) + i\operatorname{Im}(u_t).$$
(22)

Equating the respective real and imaginary parts on both sides, (22) immediately leads to

$$\operatorname{Re}(y_t^{(0)-}) = \beta_R \operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-}) - \beta_I \operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-}) + \operatorname{Re}(u_t)$$
(23)

$$\operatorname{Im}(y_t^{(0)-}) = \beta_R \operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-}) + \beta_I \operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-}) + \operatorname{Im}(u_t)$$
(24)

where  $\operatorname{Re}(y_t^{(0)-})$ ,  $\operatorname{Im}(y_t^{(0)-}) \sim I_0(1)$ , and  $\operatorname{Re}(u_t)$ ,  $\operatorname{Im}(u_t) \sim I_0(0)$ . The system (23) and (24) suggests a straightforward way to make inference on the presence of a long-run relationship between series  $y_t$  and  $x_t$  is to search for two cointegrating relationships among the real and imaginary parts of the demodulated series  $y_t^{(0)-}$  and  $x_t^{(0)-}$ . Notice that, to achieve full statistical efficiency, the cross-equation restrictions between (23) and (24) should be imposed in estimation.

Equivalently, for the complex conjugate system (14), we have

$$\operatorname{Re}(y_{t}^{(0)+}) - i\operatorname{Im}(y_{t}^{(0)+}) = \beta_{R}\operatorname{Re}(x_{t}^{(0)+}) - \beta_{I}\operatorname{Im}(x_{t}^{(0)+}) - i\left[\beta_{I}\operatorname{Re}(x_{t}^{(0)+}) + \beta_{R}\operatorname{Im}(x_{t}^{(0)+})\right] + \operatorname{Re}\left[u_{t}\right] - i\operatorname{Im}\left[u_{t}\right]$$
(25)

which also leads to (23) and (24), noting that (16) and (15) apply.

Therefore, cointegration analysis can be carried out using either the demodulated series  $y_t^{(0)-}$  and  $x_t^{(0)-}$  in the complex-valued representation (10) or the real-valued series  $\operatorname{Re}(y_t^{(0)-})$ ,  $\operatorname{Im}(y_t^{(0)-})$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-})$  and  $\operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-})$  in the system (23) and (24). Comparing the results given in Lemma 9 and Lemma 6 of the Appendix, namely (A6) and (A4) respectively, it can be seen that the non-stationary behavior in each case is driven by the pair of complex-valued conjugate Brownian motions  $w_R^{\nu}(r) \pm i w_I^{\nu}(r)$ , together with the demodulator operators  $e^{\mp i \omega_j}$  and  $e^{\mp i \omega_k}$  in the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_j^{\mp}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_k^{\mp}$  respectively. This leads to the econometric strategy exposed in Section 3.3 to test for cointegration based on either the complex-valued demodulated time series or the real-valued real and imaginary parts.

3.2.2.  $I_0(1)$  and  $I_{\omega_j}(1)$  processes with  $\omega_j \in (0, \pi)$ Since  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$ , only the process  $x_t \sim I_{\omega_i}(1)$  needs to be demodulated and the triangular system of (10) becomes

$$y_{t} = \beta x_{t}^{(0)-} + u_{t} = \beta e^{i\omega_{t}t} x_{t}^{-} + u_{t}$$
(26)  
$$x_{t}^{-} = e^{-i\omega_{t}} x_{t-1}^{-} + v_{t}.$$

Noting that  $y_t$  is real, taking the real part of the right-hand side of the cointegrating relationship in (26) leads to the following representation in terms of the original variables:

$$y_t = \beta_{0,t} x_t + [\beta_{1,t} \sin(\omega_t) - \beta_{0,t} \cos(\omega_t)] x_{t-1} + z_{R,t}$$
(27)

where

$$\beta_{0,t} = [\beta_R \cos(\omega_j t) - \beta_I \sin(\omega_j t)],$$

$$\beta_{1,t} = [\beta_R \sin(\omega_i t) + \beta_I \cos(\omega_i t)]$$
(28)

and  $z_{R,t} = \text{Re}(u_t)$ . Clearly (27) is a polynomial and periodic cointegrating relationship between the processes  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$  and  $x_t \sim I_{\omega_j}(1)$  for  $\omega_j \in (0, \pi)$ . The stochastic behavior of the system given by (27) with  $x_t = 2\cos(\omega_j)x_{t-1} - x_{t-2} + v_t$  is summarized in Lemma 8 of the Appendix, where (A5) shows that the  $2N \times 1$  combined vector for  $y_t$  and  $x_t$  over a cycle is driven by two common trends, as in the case where both processes are integrated at different harmonic frequencies  $\omega_k, \omega_j \in (0, \pi)$ . However, unlike this previous case, (27) shows there is one cointegrating relationship involving the two observed time series and their lags.

To obtain an alternate representation for inference purposes, sum (22) and (25), to yield

$$\operatorname{Re}(y_t^{(0)-}) + \operatorname{Re}(y_t^{(0)+}) = \beta_R \left[ \operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-}) + \operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)+}) \right] - \beta_I \left[ \operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-}) + \operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)+}) \right] + 2\operatorname{Re}(u_t).$$

Since  $\operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-}) = \operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)+})$  and noting that  $\operatorname{Re}(y_t^{(0)-}) = \operatorname{Re}(y_t^{(0)+}) = y_t$ , this implies that the single cointegrating relationship between the two variables can be represented as

$$y_t = \beta_R \operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-}) - \beta_I \operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-}) + \operatorname{Re}(u_t).$$
(29)

Therefore, cointegration between  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$  and  $x_t \sim I_{\omega_j}(1)$  implies the existence of a single cointegrating relationship between  $y_t$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-})$  and  $\operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-})$ . Clearly, this cointegrating relationship can also be equivalently expressed in terms of  $y_t$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)+})$  and  $\operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)+})$ .

3.2.3.  $I_{\pi}(1)$  and  $I_{\omega_i}(1)$  processes with  $\omega_i \in (0, \pi)$ 

The case  $y_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$  is essentially analogous to the previous one, hence the main results are briefly reported. By premultiplying both sides of the first equation of (10) by  $e^{-i\pi t} = \cos(\pi t)$  yields the triangular system,

$$y_{t} = \beta e^{i(\omega_{j} - \pi)t} x_{t}^{-} + \cos(\pi t) u_{t}$$

$$x_{t}^{-} = e^{-i\omega_{j}} x_{t-1}^{-} + v_{t}$$
(30)

where  $\cos(\pi t)u_t \sim I_{\pi}(0)$ . Taking the real part of the cointegrating relationship leads to

$$y_t = \beta_{0,t} x_t + [\beta_{1,t} \sin(\omega_t) - \beta_{0,t} \cos(\omega_t)] x_{t-1} + z_{R,t}$$
(31)

which provides a representation in terms of the original variables, where

$$\beta_{0,t} = [\beta_R \cos((\omega_j - \pi)t) - \beta_I \sin((\omega_j - \pi)t)], \qquad (32)$$
  
$$\beta_{1,t} = [\beta_R \sin((\omega_j - \pi)t) + \beta_I \cos((\omega_j - \pi)t)]$$

and  $z_{R,t} = \cos(\pi t) \operatorname{Re}(u_t)$ . Since  $z_{R,t} \sim I_0(0)$ , (31) represents a single polynomial and periodic cointegrating relationship between the processes  $y_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$  and  $x_t \sim I_{\omega_j}(1)$  with  $\omega_j \in (0, \pi)$ . It can be noted that although (31) has the same form as (27), their time-varying coefficients of (32) and (28) respectively differ, reflecting the frequency at which  $y_t$  is integrated in each case. Lemma 10 of the Appendix summarizes the stochastic behavior of the system (31) or (32) with  $x_t = 2\cos(\omega_j)x_{t-1} - x_{t-2} + v_t$ , with (A7) showing that the series  $y_t$  and  $x_t$  share two common trends. Noting that  $y_t^{(0)-} = y_t^{(0)+} = \cos(\pi t)y_t$ , summing (22) and (25) leads to

$$\cos(\pi t)y_t = \beta_R \operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-}) - \beta_I \operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-}) + \operatorname{Re}(u_t)$$
(33)

which represents the single cointegrating relationship between  $y_t$  and  $x_t$  in terms of the series  $\cos(\pi t)y_t$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-})$ , and  $\operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-})$ . Once again, the relationship can be equivalently expressed in terms of  $\cos(\pi t)y_t$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)+})$  and  $\operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)+})$ .

3.2.4.  $I_0(1)$  and  $I_{\pi}(1)$  processes

Finally,  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$  and  $x_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$  is the simplest case, because the demodulated process  $x_t^{(0)-}$ , in addition to  $y_t$ , is real-valued. Indeed, (10) for this case reduces to

$$y_t = \beta \cos(\pi t) x_t + u_t \tag{34}$$

where  $\beta$  is real-valued and  $u_t \sim I_0(0)$ . It is then clear that (34) represents the unique cointegrating relationship between the series. Lemma 11 of the Appendix summarizes the stochastic behavior of (34) when  $x_t = -x_{t-1} + v_t$ , with (A8) establishing that  $y_t$  and  $x_t$  share a single common trend over the cycle of N observations.

# 3.3. Econometric Strategies

Having shown that long-run relationships can exist between processes integrated at different frequencies, an econometric strategy is required to detect such cointegration. Here we discuss possible approaches to such inference.

The first and perhaps simplest approach consists of testing the cointegration rank in a VAR model applied to a system of 2N variables formed from the vector of seasons representation for each of the two individual time series<sup>4</sup>, which treats the intra-cycle observations n = 1, ..., N as distinct time series. This approach is discussed by, for example, Ghysels and Osborn (2001, Chapter 6) in the context of contemporaneous periodic cointegration. If two non-stationary processes are integrated at different harmonic frequencies (i.e.  $y_t \sim I_{\omega_k}(1), x_t \sim I_{\omega_j}(1)$ , with  $\omega_k, \omega_j \in (0, \pi)$  and  $\omega_k \neq \omega_j$ ), each series has two common trends across its N intra-cycle series and hence no cointegration implies four common trends or 2N - 4 cointegrating relationships in the  $2N \times 1$  vector of seasons for the two time series. However, as discussed in Section 3.2.1, the presence of cross-series cointegration implies

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> In the case of k variables the system will be of kN where each of the time series is treated as  $N \times 1$  vector of seasons.

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two cointegrating relationships of the periodic polynomial form (17) and (18); hence, overall, the  $2N \times 1$  vector contains two common trends or 2N - 2 cointegrating relationships.

When either  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$  or  $y_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$  while  $x_t \sim I_{\omega_j}(1)$ ,  $\omega_j \in (0, \pi)$ , the *N* observations for  $y_t$  over a cycle share one common trend while those for  $x_t$  have two, so that no cointegration implies the presence of three common trends and 2N - 3 cointegrating relationships. However, the 2*N* observations share two common trends when the processes are cointegrated, implying that the combined  $2N \times 1$  vector contains 2N - 2 cointegrating relationships. Finally, for  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$  and  $x_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$  then (because the *N* intra-cycle series for each of  $y_t$  and  $x_t$  is driven by its own common trend), no cointegration implies the presence of two common trends or 2N - 2 cointegrating relationships between the elements of the  $2N \times 1$  vector formed from the vector of seasons of the two time series. On the other hand, cointegration between the series implies that the same common trend drives both series and hence there are 2N - 1 cointegrating relationships between the elements of the combined  $2N \times 1$  system.

This approach has the obvious disadvantage of typically requiring the use of high dimensional systems. For example, with quarterly seasonal data, the combined vector of seasons for the two variables has 8 elements, while it has 24 elements with monthly data. As shown by Franses (1994), the vector of seasons approach lacks power even for the analysis of seasonal unit roots in a univariate quarterly time series. Furthermore, the 'counting' of common trends above depends on each series containing unit roots at a single frequency only. Should, say,  $x_t$  have unit roots at two distinct frequencies and  $y_t$  unit roots at only one frequency, then this will need to be taken into account when considering the number of unit roots and common trends implied by any cointegration between  $x_t$  and  $y_t$ .

These problems can be avoided by transforming one or both of the original series so that the unit roots under examination apply at the same frequency for the two series. An intuitively straightforward method is to apply testing after any necessary transformation so that both are  $I_0(1)$ . For processes integrated at different harmonic frequencies ( $\omega_k, \omega_j \in (0, \pi), \omega_k \neq \omega_j$ ), and as noted above, the complex reduced-rank regression approach by Cubadda (2001) can be applied to the demodulated time series  $y_t^{(0)-}$  and  $x_t^{(0)-}$  in search of a single cointegration vector.

An alternative to dealing with complex-valued processes is to use the real-valued representations discussed in the preceding subsection. For two series integrated at different harmonic frequencies  $\omega_k$  and  $\omega_j$ , the usual Johansen (1996) method can be applied to the 4 × 1 vector consisting of  $\operatorname{Re}(y_t^{(0)-})$ ,  $\operatorname{Im}(y_t^{(0)-})$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}(x_t^{(0)-})$ , and  $\operatorname{Im}(x_t^{(0)-})$ , with cointegration requiring two cointegrating relationships, which are given by(23) and (24). For processes  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$ and  $x_t \sim I_{\omega_j}(1)$  having, respectively, a zero-frequency unit real and complex unit root, the Johansen (1996) method can be applied to test for the existence of a single cointegrating relationship among  $y_t$  and the real and imaginary parts of  $x_t^{(0)-}$ , as indicated by (27). Finally, for processes  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$  and  $x_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$ , the Johansen method can be applied to test for the existence of cointegration between  $y_t$  and  $\cos(\pi t)x_t$  in (34).

For all cases except  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$  and  $x_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$ , applying the tests just described requires computing the demodulated series from the observed series. For  $y_t \sim I_{\omega_k}(1)$ ,  $x_t \sim I_{\omega_j}(1)$ , with  $\omega_k, \omega_j \in (0, \pi)$ , using definitions corresponding to (3) and (6) it is easily seen that

$$x_t^{(0)-} = e^{i\omega_j t} x_t^{-} = e^{i\omega_j t} (1 - e^{i\omega_j} L) x_t$$
(35)

$$y_t^{(0)-} = e^{i\omega_k t} y_t^- = e^{i\omega_k t} (1 - e^{i\omega_k} L) y_t$$
(36)

where *L* is the conventional lag operator. The real and imaginary parts of  $x_t^{(0)-}$  and  $y_t^{(0)-}$  can then be obtained using the identity  $e^{i\omega} = \cos(\omega) + i\sin(\omega)$ . As noted in the discussion above, and due to the relationship between complex conjugate pairs, numerically identical results will be obtained using  $x_t^{(0)+}$  and  $y_t^{(0)+}$  as those from employing  $x_t^{(0)-}$  and  $y_t^{(0)-}$ .

As mentioned above, it is possible that one, or possibly both, series may contain unit roots at more than one frequency. Remarkably, when conducting cross-frequency cointegration analysis by means of the usual Johansen procedure, the limit distribution of the tests statistics will not be affected by the possible presence of unit roots at frequencies different from 0 since processes that are I(1) at different frequencies are asymptotically uncorrelated, see Corollary 7 in Johansen and Schaumburg (1999). This implies that it is not required to filter out unit roots

at frequencies different from those of interest before applying the complex demodulator operator. Clearly, it is theoretically possible to remove those unit roots but in empirical applications this way of proceeding is prone to the risk of overdiffencing the series at some frequency, thus making invalid inference based on the vector autoregressive representation.

To implement our methodology we need to know the frequency (or frequencies) at which each time series is integrated. In the case of seasonal time series, the frequencies of interest are known *a priori* and, with the help of seasonal unit roots tests, it is possible to obtain evidence about which frequencies present non-stationary behavior. In the case of cyclical non-seasonal behavior, frequencies associated with non-stationary oscillations are not known *a priori*, but the methodology proposed in this article can be applied following Bierens (2001). That is, relevant frequencies can be identified empirically by examining the maxima of the estimated spectra of the time series of interest and testing for the presence of pairs of complex unit roots at these frequencies; see for example Bierens (2001) or Gregoir (2006).

Finally, note that the effect of the demodulator operator  $e^{-i\omega_j t}$  on the deterministic part of the relationship can be seen following the lines of chapter 7 in Bloomfield (1976). For example, seasonal dummy variables have a one-to-one correspondence with their trigonometric representations written in terms of  $\cos(\omega_j t)$  and  $\sin(\omega_j t)$ . Since  $\cos(\omega_j t) = (e^{-i\omega_j t} + e^{i\omega_j t})/2$ , hence  $(1 - e^{-i\omega_j L})\cos(\omega_j t) = (e^{i\omega_j t} - e^{i\omega_j (t-2)})/2$  and  $e^{-i\omega_j t}(1 - e^{-i\omega_j L})\cos(\omega_j t) = (1 - e^{-i\omega_j 2})/2$  are constants once demodulated.

#### 4. MONTE CARLO ANALYSIS

This section provides the results of a Monte Carlo experiment to illustrate the nature of long-run relationships between processes that are integrated at different frequencies and to examine the performance of the approaches to testing discussed in Section 3.3. We consider an overall cycle of N = 6 observations (the smallest N which has two distinct harmonic frequencies) and sample sizes with 200, 100 and 50 complete cycles; hence the total number of observations considered is T = 1200, 600 and 300. Cointegration is examined using three approaches, namely applying the Johansen (1996) rank test to the combined  $2N \times 1 = 12 \times 1$  vector of seasons for the two series, applying the Johansen procedure to the appropriate real-valued system and applying the complex-valued test of Cubadda (2001) to the demodulated time series  $y_t^{(0)-}$  and  $x_t^{(0)-}$ . As discussed in Section 3.3, the demodulated series are obtained as in (35) and (36), with the Cubadda (2001) test applied to a bivariate system for these series. Application of the Johansen (1996) test to a real-valued system implies that cointegration is tested in a system consisting of between two and four variables, depending on the frequencies for which cointegration is being investigated (see Section 3.3). In each case, the procedure is applied using a VAR(1) specification with the inclusion of a constant in each equation.

The Monte Carlo results are based on 5000 replications and all tests are conducted at a nominal 5% level of significance using asymptotic critical values. Those provided by Hamilton (1994, Table B.2, Case 2) are employed when testing for cointegration for up to five series, with critical values obtained by simulation using the same conditions as Hamilton (1994) when testing involves a larger number of series (namely up to 12 for the vector of seasons). The complex-valued test uses the critical values of Cubadda (2001, Table I). The first subsection considers situations where no cointegration applies, with the second subsection examining situations with cross-frequency cointegration. The results are collected in Tables I–V and each reports the proportion of times that the relevant null hypothesis is rejected. Reflecting the situations of Section 3.2, where both time series are integrated at different frequencies, we consider the following four cases<sup>5</sup>:

- Case I:  $y_t \sim I_{\pi/3}(1)$  and  $x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}(1)$ .
- Case II:  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$  and  $x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}(1)$ .
- Case III:  $y_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$  and  $x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}(1)$ .
- Case IV:  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$  and  $x_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$ .

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> We also calculated results interchanging the roles of  $x_t$  and  $y_t$ , and also for Cases II and III with  $x_t \sim I_{\pi/3}(1)$  in place of  $x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}(1)$ . For all of these, the results are effectively the same as those reported in Tables I–V.

Panel A. Johansen test vector of seasons approach													
Т	$r_{0} = 0$	$r_{0} = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 3$	$r_0 = 4$	$r_0 = 5$	$r_0 = 6$	$r_0 = 7$	$r_0 = 8$	$r_0 = 9$	$r_0 = 10$	$r_0 = 11$	
Case I:	$x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}$	1), $y_t \sim I_{\pi/2}$	a(1)										
1200	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9998	0.0912	0.0076	0.0012	0.0000	
600	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9982	0.9290	0.5898	0.0940	0.0118	0.0006	0.0004	
300	1.0000	0.9998	0.9968	0.9626	0.8246	0.5328	0.2512	0.1486	0.0518	0.0128	0.0032	0.0012	
Case II	$: x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}$	$(1), y_t \sim I_0($	(1)										
1200	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0650	0.0044	0.0006	
600	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9984	0.9822	0.6208	0.0582	0.0062	0.0004	
300	1.0000	1.0000	0.9966	0.9586	0.8206	0.5646	0.2888	0.1866	0.0636	0.0152	0.0040	0.0018	
Case II	I: $x_t \sim I_{2\pi/2}$	$_{3}(1), y_{t} \sim I_{t}$	(1)										
1200	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0654	0.0058	0.0008	
600	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9994	0.9870	0.6510	0.0656	0.0056	0.0010	
300	1.0000	1.0000	0.9966	0.9540	0.8096	0.5478	0.2862	0.1870	0.0664	0.0184	0.0030	0.0010	
Case IV	$V: x_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$	), $y_t \sim I_0(1$	)										
1200	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0580	0.0054	
600	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9976	0.7998	0.0468	0.0048	
300	1.0000	1.0000	0.9960	0.9568	0.8416	0.6224	0.3650	0.2730	0.1196	0.0362	0.0098	0.0022	
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Table I. Monte Carlo test rejection frequencies for processes with no cointegration

Panel B:	: Johansen	test real	l and	imaginary	parts appr	oach
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		Case I				Case II			Case III	Case IV		
Т	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 3$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$
1200 600 300	0.0670 0.0786 0.0780	0.0056 0.0056 0.0054	0.0004 0.0004 0.0010	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0002 \\ 0.0000 \\ 0.0004 \end{array}$	0.0600 0.0644 0.0644	0.0030 0.0028 0.0030	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0008 \\ 0.0006 \\ 0.0006 \end{array}$	0.0594 0.0712 0.0682	0.0056 0.0038 0.0060	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0000\\ 0.0008\\ 0.0000 \end{array}$	0.0528 0.0570 0.0518	0.0050 0.0038 0.0040

	Panel C: Cubadda complex-valued regression test														
	Case I   Case II   Case III   Case IV														
Т	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$							
1200 600 300	0.0512 0.0546 0.0564	0.0032 0.0054 0.0046	0.0724 0.0726 0.0766	0.0048 0.0062 0.0068	0.0698 0.0774 0.0714	0.0050 0.0042 0.0070	0.1134 0.1172 0.1170	0.0154 0.0160 0.0162							

Notes: The DGPs are defined in Section 4.1 while the tests are described in Section 3.3;  $r_0$  is the number of cointegrating vectors under the null hypothesis. All tests are conducted at a nominal 5% level of significance; for further details see Section 4.1.

# 4.1. No Cointegration

First we examine the performance of the tests proposed in Section 3.2.1 in the absence of cointegration between processes integrated at different frequencies. The data generating processes for  $x_t$  is:

$$x_{t} = \begin{cases} 2\cos(2\pi/3)x_{t-1} - x_{t-2} + \varepsilon_{t}^{(x)} & \text{Cases I, II,III} \\ -x_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{t}^{(x)} & \text{Case IV} \end{cases}$$
(37)

while those for  $y_t$  are:

$$y_{t} = \begin{cases} 2\cos(\pi/3) y_{t-1} - y_{t-2} + \varepsilon_{t}^{(y)} & \text{Case I} \\ y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{t}^{(y)} & \text{Cases II, IV} \\ -y_{t-1} + \varepsilon_{t}^{(y)} & \text{Case III} \end{cases}$$
(38)

where  $\varepsilon_t^{(x)}, \varepsilon_t^{(y)} \sim Ni.i.d.(0, 1)$  and mutually independent, with pre-sample starting values for both series set to zero.

Panel A: Johansen test vector of seasons approach														
T = 1200														
DGP	$r_{0} = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 3$	$r_0 = 4$	$r_0 = 5$	$r_0 = 6$	$r_0 = 7$	$r_0 = 8$	$r_0 = 9$	$r_0 = 10$	$r_0 = 11$		
1	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0542	0.0036		
2	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0576	0.0042		
3	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0514	0.0042		
4	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0536	0.0044		
5	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0574	0.0068		
T = 60	0													
1	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9960	0.7548	0.0510	0.0062		
2	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9964	0.7416	0.0520	0.0042		
3	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9968	0.7522	0.0486	0.0040		
4	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9958	0.7494	0.0514	0.0046		
5	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9970	0.7612	0.0504	0.0036		
T = 30	0													
1	1.0000	1.0000	0.9948	0.9506	0.8020	0.5506	0.3126	0.2246	0.0914	0.0290	0.0084	0.0026		
2	1.0000	0.9998	0.9934	0.9408	0.7856	0.5324	0.2946	0.2186	0.0828	0.0242	0.0078	0.0024		
3	1.0000	0.9996	0.9950	0.9508	0.8052	0.5548	0.3094	0.2234	0.1002	0.0318	0.0080	0.0026		
4	1.0000	0.9998	0.9928	0.9484	0.7960	0.5452	0.3048	0.2218	0.0924	0.0268	0.0074	0.0018		
5	1.0000	0.9998	0.9932	0.9496	0.8152	0.5742	0.3164	0. 2290	0.0942	0.0294	0.0076	0.0026		

Table II. Monte Carlo test rejection frequencies for cointegrated processes, Case I:  $y_t \sim I_{\pi/3}(1)$ ,  $x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}(1)$ 

Panel B:Johansen test real and imaginary parts approach

	T = 1200					T = 600				T = 300			
DGP	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 3$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 3$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 3$	
1 2 3 4 5	1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000	$\begin{array}{c} 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\end{array}$	0.0498 0.0572 0.0512 0.0470 0.0518	0.0032 0.0044 0.0040 0.0038 0.0044	$\begin{array}{c} 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\end{array}$	0.0510 0.0584 0.0594 0.0608 0.0528	0. 0066 0. 0034 0. 0038 0. 0038 0. 0026	$\begin{array}{c} 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.0540 \\ 0.0622 \\ 0.0586 \\ 0.0542 \\ 0.0550 \end{array}$	0.0048 0.0044 0.0064 0.0060 0.0044	

Panel C: Cubadda complex-valued regression test													
	T =	1200	T =	600	T =	<i>T</i> = 300							
DGP	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$							
1	1.0000	0.0558	1.0000	0.0532	1.0000	0.0552							
2	1.0000	0.0544	1.0000	0.0538	1.0000	0.0560							
3	1.0000	0.0480	1.0000	0.0552	1.0000	0.0558							
4	1.0000	0.0490	1.0000	0.0552	1.0000	0.0574							
5	1.0000	0.0506	1.0000	0.0480	1.0000	0.0490							

*Notes*: As for Table I, except that the DGPs are described in Section 4.2 and the processes are cointegrated. The true number of cointegrating vectors is 10 in Panel A, 2 in Panel B and 1 in Panel C.

The results are shown in Table I. It can be seen that the Johansen (1996) approach applied to the  $12 \times 1$  vector of seasons, for which the results are presented in Panel A, reliably (and correctly) detects the presence of four common trends between the series in Case I (i.e. two separate common trends in each of  $x_t$  and  $y_t$ ) only for the largest sample size, with T = 1200 (200 complete cycles of N = 6 observations). For smaller samples the procedure lacks power. In particular, with T = 300, the null hypothesis of six common trends is rejected against the alternative of fewer in only around a quarter of the replications. On the other hand, for this case, the Johansen (1996) procedure applied to the four series formed from the real and imaginary parts of  $y_t^{(0)-}$  and  $x_t^{(0)-}$  in Panel B correctly finds little evidence of cointegration: the initial null hypothesis of no cointegration (four common trends) is rejected with a frequency only modestly above the nominal 5% level. Finally, the Cubadda (2001) procedure in Panel C

Panel A: Johansen test vector of seasons approach													
T = 12	200												
DGP	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 3$	$r_0 = 4$	$r_0 = 5$	$r_0 = 6$	$r_0 = 7$	$r_0 = 8$	$r_0 = 9$	$r_0 = 10$	$r_0 = 11$	
$   \begin{array}{c}     1 \\     2 \\     3 \\     4 \\     5 \\     T = 60 \\     1 \\     2 \\     3 \\     4 \\     5   \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 0\\ 0\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ \end{array}$	1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000	$\begin{array}{c} 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ \end{array}$	1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000	1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000	1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000	1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 1.0000 0.9960 0.9968 0.9964 0.9958 0.9952	$\begin{array}{c} 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 1.0000\\ 0.7468\\ 0.7468\\ 0.7466\\ 0.7458\\ 0.7410\\ \end{array}$	0.0520 0.0584 0.0500 0.0588 0.0554 0.0554 0.0536 0.0490 0.0468 0.0496	0.0056 0.0044 0.0052 0.0048 0.0040 0.0058 0.0036 0.0046 0.0040 0.0050	
T = 30	0	1 0000	0.0052	0.0468	0 7032	0 5468	0 3026	0 2246	0.0028	0.0282	0.0052	0.0022	
2 3	1.0000	1.0000 1.0000 1.0000	0.9932 0.9944 0.9926	0.9408 0.9490 0.9390	0.7932 0.8082 0.7880	0.5638 0.5560	0.3020 0.3162 0.3072	0. 2240 0. 2308 0. 2212	0.0928 0.1016 0.0950	0.0282 0.0314 0.0254	0.0032 0.0088 0.0068	0.0022 0.0022 0.0008	
4 5	$1.0000 \\ 1.0000$	$1.0000 \\ 1.0000$	0.9924 0.9926	0.9476 0.9478	0.7972 0.7998	$0.5606 \\ 0.5488$	0.3102 0.3018	0. 2336 0. 2204	0.0978 0.0968	0.0270 0.0274	0.0062 0.0068	0.0018 0.0014	
	Panel B: Johansen test real and imaginary parts approach												

Table III. Monte Carlo test rejection frequencies for cointegrated processes, Case II:  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$ ,  $x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}(1)$ 

		T = 1200			T = 600			T = 300	
DGP	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$
1	1.0000	0.0500	0.0030	1.0000	0.0602	0.0056	1.0000	0.0616	0.0044
2	1.0000	0.0536	0.0038	1.0000	0.0554	0.0034	1.0000	0.0578	0.0054
3	1.0000	0.0500	0.0052	1.0000	0.0550	0.0030	1.0000	0.0624	0.0060
4	1.0000	0.0526	0.0066	1.0000	0.0566	0.0038	1.0000	0.0538	0.0026
5	1.0000	0.0530	0.0042	1.0000	0.0530	0.0048	1.0000	0.0528	0.0046

Panel C: Cubadda complex-valued regression test													
	T = 1200   T = 600   T = 300												
DGP	$r_0 = 0$ $r_0 = 1$ $r_0 = 0$ $r_0 = 1$ $r_0 = 0$ $r_0 = 1$												
1	0.2840	0.0234	0.2942	0.0308	0.2786	0.0264							
2	0.2992	0.0246	0.2978	0.0256	0.2802	0.0276							
3	0.2956	0.0244	0.2820	0.0248	0.2866	0.0242							
4	0.3004	0.0290	0.2840	0.0250	0.2836	0.0240							
5	0.2948	0.0234	0.2956	0.0216	0.2874	0.0240							

Notes: As for Table II, except that the true number of cointegrating vectors is 1 in Panel B.

performs very well for this case, rejecting the presence of a single complex cointegrating vector at close to the 5% level.

Once again, Table I reveals similar results overall for Cases II and III, when one series is integrated at a harmonic frequency and the other at the zero (Case II) or Nyquist frequency (Case III). The vector of seasons approach works well in detecting the presence of three common trends across the  $12 \times 1$  vector, implying no cross-series cointegration, only for the largest sample size. However, testing for cointegration using  $y_t$ , Re( $x_t^{(0)-}$ ), and Im( $x_t^{(0)-}$ ) works well overall, rejecting the initial (and correct) null hypothesis of three common trends with a size modestly larger than the nominal 5%. The rejection rate for (true) null of two common trends is higher when the Cubadda complex cointegration approach is employed, but as already noted this procedure is not designed for the situation where one of the two series is real-valued. The pattern of results is largely repeated for Case IV, where both series are real and not cointegrated, and hence there are two common trends across the  $12 \times 1$  vector of seasons, which

Panel A: Johansen test vector of seasons approach													
T = 12	00												
DGP	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 3$	$r_0 = 4$	$r_0 = 5$	$r_0 = 6$	$r_0 = 7$	$r_0 = 8$	$r_0 = 9$	$r_0 = 10$	$r_0 = 11$	
1	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0612	0.0042	
2	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0576	0.0048	
3	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0624	0.0048	
4	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0574	0.0046	
5	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0480	0.0048	
T = 60	0												
1	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9998	0.9970	0.7430	0.0508	0.0042	
2	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9966	0.7610	0.0498	0.0040	
3	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9972	0.7478	0.0492	0.0042	
4	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9974	0.7550	0.0494	0.0048	
5	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9966	0.7562	0.0434	0.0038	
T = 30	0												
1	1.0000	1.0000	0.9932	0.9488	0.8000	0.5438	0.2970	0.2186	0.0950	0.0264	0.0082	0.0024	
2	1.0000	0.9998	0.9948	0.9552	0.8118	0.5676	0.3184	0.2284	0.0936	0.0270	0.0068	0.0014	
3	1.0000	0.9996	0.9942	0.9438	0.7886	0.5418	0.2950	0.2156	0.0934	0.0282	0.0090	0.0020	
4	1.0000	0.9998	0.9968	0.9520	0.8088	0.5622	0.3044	0.2188	0.0896	0.0258	0.0070	0.0016	
5	1.0000	1.0000	0.9942	0.9428	0.7952	0.5448	0.2948	0.2150	0.0924	0.0304	0.0074	0.0024	
		Panel	B: Johans	en test real	and imagir	nary parts a	pproach						
		T = 1200			T = 600			T = 300					
DGP	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$				

Table IV. Monte Carlo test rejection frequencies for cointegrated processes, Case III:  $y_t \sim I_{\pi}(1), x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}(1)$ 

0.0354 Notes: As for Table II, except that the true number of cointegrating vectors is 1 in Panel B.

1.0000

1.0000

1.0000

1.0000

1.0000

 $r_0 = 1$ 

0.0492

0.0426

0.0416

0.0390

0.0534

0.0554

0.0538

0.0580

0.0518

 $r_0 = 0$ 

0.9716

0.9242

0.8002

0.6854

0.6830

0.0040

0.0046

0.0044

0.0038

0.0028

 $r_0 = 1$ 

0.0496

0.0430

0.0442

0.0348

0.0320

T = 300

1.0000

1.0000

1.0000

1.0000

1.0000

0.0610

0.0526

0.0622

0.0568

0.0574

0.0050

0.0038

0.0060

0.0048

0.0036

is reliably detected only for the largest sample size (Panel A). The performance of the usual Johansen (1996) approach applied to y, and  $\cos(\pi t)x$ , is good in Panel B, while the complex-valued cointegration approach of Panel C is not appropriate to this case.

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1.0000

1.0000

1.0000

1.0000

1.0000

 $r_0 = 0$ 

1.0000

1.0000

0.9858

0.9526

0.9298

1 2 3

4

5

DGP

1

2

3

4

5

0.0600

0.0552

0.0640

0.0534

0.0494

 $r_0 = 1$ 

0.0510

0.0476

0.0454

0.0422

0.0398

T = 1200

0.0054

0.0048

0.0040

0.0048

0.0048

Panel C: Cubadda complex-valued regression test

 $r_{0} = 0$ 

0.9996

0.9902

0.9144

0.8498

0.8228

T = 600

Corresponding to the discussion of Section 3.2, each series is integrated at one frequency and four cases of cross-frequency cointegration are considered. As in the preceding subsection,  $x_i$  is generated using (37), but with  $y_{t}$ , now generated from the relevant cointegrating relationship. In particular, the values of  $y_{t}$  are generated using the cointegrating relationship expressed in terms of the real-valued series as in (21) for Case I. From (27) and (28),

Panel A: Johansen test vector of seasons approach													
T = 12	00												
DGP	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	$r_0 = 3$	$r_0 = 4$	$r_0 = 5$	$r_0 = 6$	$r_0 = 7$	$r_0 = 8$	$r_0 = 9$	$r_0 = 10$	$r_0 = 11$	
1	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0560	
2	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0528	
3	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0510	
4	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0546	
5	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.0496	
T = 60	0	110000	110000	110000	110000	110000	11 0000	110000	110000	110000	110000	010120	
1	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9998	0.9602	0.0492	
2	1 0000	1,0000	1,0000	1,0000	1 0000	1.0000	1 0000	1,0000	1,0000	1.0000	0.9608	0.0474	
3	1.0000	1,0000	1,0000	1,0000	1,0000	1.0000	1 0000	1,0000	1,0000	1.0000	0.9634	0.0494	
4	1.0000	1,0000	1.0000	1,0000	1,0000	1.0000	1.0000	1,0000	1,0000	1.0000	0.9570	0.0508	
5	1.0000	1,0000	1.0000	1,0000	1,0000	1.0000	1.0000	1,0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9618	0.0514	
$\frac{3}{T} = 30$	0	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	0.9018	0.0514	
1 = 50	1 0000	1 0000	0.0048	0.0568	0.8346	0.6250	0 4104	0 3426	0 10/8	0.0846	0.0328	0.0002	
2	1.0000	1,0000	0.0044	0.9500	0.8274	0.6246	0.4064	0.3552	0.1740	0.0040	0.0318	0.0092	
2	1.0000	1.0000	0.9944	0.9512	0.8274	0.0240	0. 2004	0.3352	0.2070	0.0944	0.0318	0.0104	
3	1.0000	1.0000	0.9930	0.9522	0.8204	0.0198	0. 3004	0.3402	0.1914	0.0000	0.0300	0.0080	
4	1.0000	0.0006	0.9940	0.9552	0.8270	0.6254	0.4110	0.3332	0.2012	0.0928	0.0320	0.0118	
5	1.0000	0.9990	0.9938	0.9332	0.6314	0.0234	0.4132	0. 3024	0.2116	0.0918	0.0310	0.0090	
	Р	anel B: Joh	ansen test,	$y_t \& \cos(\pi$	$(t)x_t$								
	T =	1200	T =	600	T =	300							
DGP	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$							
1	1.0000	0.0518	1.0000	0.0514	1.0000	0.0518							
2	1.0000	0.0522	1.0000	0.0562	1.0000	0.0428							
3	1.0000	0.0522	1.0000	0.0546	1.0000	0.0546							
4	1.0000	0.0556	1.0000	0.0506	1.0000	0.0496							
5	1.0000	0.0478	1.0000	0.0544	1.0000	0.0520							
	Panel C	C: Cubadda	complex-v	alued regre	ession test								
	T =	1200	T =	600	T =	300							
DGP	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$							
1	1.0000	0.1040	1.0000	0.1012	1.0000	0.0000							
2	1.0000	0.1040	1.0000	0.1012	1.0000	0.0998							
2	1.0000	0.0972	1.0000	0.1070	1.0000	0.0942							
3	1.0000	0.1010	1.0000	0.1004	1.0000	0.1006							
4	1.0000	0.1032	1.0000	0.1030	1.0000	0.1004							
3	1.0000	0.0888	1.0000	0.1008	1.0000	0.0982							

Table V. Monte Carlo test rejection frequencies for cointegrated processes, Case IV:  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$ ,  $x_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$ 

Notes : As for Table II, except that the true number of cointegrating vectors is 11 in Panel A and 1 in Panel B.

the cointegrating relationship used between the real-valued series for Case II is

$$y_{t} = \left[\beta_{R}\cos\left(\omega_{j}t\right) - \beta_{I}\sin\left(\omega_{j}t\right)\right] x_{t}$$

$$- \left[\beta_{R}\cos\left(\omega_{j}\left[t+1\right]\right) - \beta_{I}\sin\left(\omega_{j}\left[t+1\right]\right)\right] x_{t-1} + u_{t}.$$
(39)

For Cases III and IV, the cointegrating relationships used are given by (31)–(32) and (34) respectively, with the coefficient  $\beta$  being real-valued in the latter case. For all cases,  $u_t, \varepsilon_t^{(x)} \sim Ni.i.d.(0, 1)$  and are mutually independent, while pre-sample starting values for all series are set to zero.

To investigate the performance of the testing procedures discussed above, a range of five values<sup>6</sup> are considered for the complex-valued cointegrating coefficient, with real and imaginary parts ( $\beta_R$  and  $\beta_I$ ) as shown below, except that only the coefficient  $\beta_R$  is used in Case IV:

DGP	$\beta_R$	$\beta_I$
1	$\cos\left(\pi/3\right) = 0.5$	$\sin\left(\pi/3\right) = 0.866$
2	$\cos\left(2\pi/3\right) = -0.5$	$\sin\left(2\pi/3\right) = 0.866$
3	$\cos\left(\pi/6\right) = 0.866$	$\sin\left(\pi/6\right) = 0.5$
4	$\cos(5\pi/6) = -0.866$	$\sin\left(5\pi/6\right) = 0.5$
5	$\cos\left(\pi/8\right) = 0.924$	$\sin\left(\pi/8\right) = 0.383$

In line with the analysis of the previous section, we first consider cointegration between two processes each integrated at different harmonic frequencies, with  $x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}(1)$  and  $y_t \sim I_{\pi/3}(1)$ ; hence  $x_t$  and  $y_t$  have 3- and 6-period cycles, respectively.<sup>7</sup> Results are shown in Table II for each cointegrated process considered, with Panel A providing those obtained from applying the Johansen (1996) procedure to the  $12 \times 1$  vector of observations formed from the two variables over a cycle of 6 observations, Panel B applies the Johansen procedure to the  $4 \times 1$  vector consisting of the real and imaginary parts of  $x_t^{(0)-}$  and  $y_t^{(0)-}$ , and, finally, Panel C applies the complex-valued cointegration test of Cubadda (2001) to  $x_t^{(0)-}$  and  $y_t^{(0)-}$ .

As discussed in Section 3.3, cointegration implies the existence of 2N - 2 = 10 cointegrating relations and two common trends in the  $12 \times 1$  vector of seasons. Although highly parameterized, the Johansen (1996) procedure performs well in detecting the correct number of cointegrating vectors for the largest sample size of T = 1200 (namely 200 complete cycles of 6 observations), it is less satisfactory for smaller sample sizes. Perhaps not surprisingly, for T = 300 (50 cycles), ten cointegrating vectors are relatively rarely detected. Even with T = 600 (100 cycles) observations, the correct number of cointegrating vectors is detected in only about three-quarters of the replications.

However, the much more parsimonious method that applies the Johansen (1996) procedure to the  $4 \times 1$  consisting of  $\text{Re}(y_t^{(0)-})$ ,  $\text{Im}(y_t^{(0)-})$ ,  $\text{Re}(x_t^{(0)-})$  and  $\text{Im}(x_t^{(0)-})$  performs well in Panel B in detecting the presence of two cointegrating vectors for all values of *T* considered. Even for T = 600, one cointegrating relation is always rejected against two or more, while the test for the null hypothesis of two relations shows an empirical rejection rate only modestly greater than the nominal 5%. Finally, in Panel C, the Cubadda (2001) test reliably detects the presence of a single cointegrating vector in  $x_t^{(0)-}$  and  $y_t^{(0)-}$  for all three sample sizes.

Turning to the case where cointegration exists between a series integrated at the zero frequency and another at a harmonic frequency, Table III provides the results for  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$ ,  $x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}(1)$ . As noted in Section 3.3, and in common with the case where the series are cointegrated at different harmonic frequencies, there are 2N - 2 = 10 cointegrating relationships and hence two common trends across the  $12 \times 1$  combined vector of seasons. Once again, the Johansen (1996) procedure applied to the  $12 \times 1$  vector provides reliable results only for largest sample size of T = 1200; indeed, the results in Panel A of Table III are very similar to those in Table II. The test for cointegration between  $y_t$ ,  $\text{Re}(x_t^{(0)-})$  and  $\text{Im}(x_t^{(0)-})$ , however, works well in Panel B; the null hypothesis of no cointegration is always rejected, while the presence of one vector is rejected against two with a rejection frequency very close to the nominal 5% level across all three value of T. However, the complex-valued reduced-rank regression procedure applied at the zero frequency using  $y_t$  and  $x_t^{(0)-}$  does not perform well in Panel C. In particular, the initial null hypothesis of no cointegration is rejected in only 30% (or fewer) of the replications across all DGPs and different values of T. This finding is not surprising since the procedure is designed by Cubadda (2001) to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Further cointegrating coefficients were also examined, with results very close to those shown in Tables II–V.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> We also computed results for  $x_t \sim I_{\pi/3}(1)$  and  $y_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}(1)$ , with results effectively the same results as those shown in Table II.

test for complex-valued cointegration between series at a harmonic frequency. Therefore, the procedure is seeking cointegration involving the real and imaginary parts of both series, whereas in this case  $y_t$  is real.

The third situation, for which results are provided in Table IV, examines  $y_t \sim I_{\pi}(1)$ ,  $x_t \sim I_{2\pi/3}(1)$ , again using the five sets of values for  $\beta_R$  and  $\beta_I$  as above. These results are very similar to those where  $y_t \sim I_0(1)$  in Table III, and hence each of the methods used to detect the cointegration between  $y_t$  and  $x_t$  performs in a equivalent way for the cases where one series is integrated at the zero or Nyquist frequencies. Note that, for the testing of Panels B and C of Table IV,  $y_t$  is demodulated to  $\cos(\pi t)y_t$ . These results also confirm that the complex-valued approach of Cubadda is not appropriate because  $y_t$  and  $\cos(\pi t)y_t$  are real-valued variables.

Finally, Table V considers cointegration between an  $I_0$  (1) process and an  $I_{\pi}$  (1) process, as in (34). As mentioned in Section 3.3, the vector of seasons approach implies 11 cointegrating relationships, while the other methods test for a single long-run relationship between the appropriate series. The results are in line with those of earlier tables. Both the vector of seasons approach and the direct test applied to  $y_t$  and  $\cos(\pi t)x_t$  work well, with the qualification that the vector of seasons approach is less satisfactory for smaller sample sizes. The approach of Cubadda (2001) is again not satisfactory (or, more accurately, not applicable) here, as both  $y_t$  and  $\cos(\pi t)x_t$  are real-valued time series.

Overall, therefore, we conclude that the best approach in general is to employ the approach using the appropriate real and imaginary parts of the demodulated time series. The Cubadda (2001) approach works very well when both time series are integrated at harmonic frequencies, but is not appropriate when one or both series are real-valued. However, the Johansen (1996) test applied to the entire vector of seasons requires long time series, with a large number of years of data for seasonal time series (or, more generally, complete cycles). Hence, from a practical point of view, we recommend applying the Cubadda (2001) complex-valued test to the demodulated time series when both time series are integrated at harmonic frequencies, or forming the real and imaginary parts of the complex demodulated time series and then employing the Johansen (1996) approach.

#### 5. EMPIRICAL APPLICATION

This section explores the presence of cointegrating relationship between processes integrated at different frequencies using quarterly data from the Balearic Islands. The economy of the Balearic Islands is heavily dependent on tourism and we analyze the relationship between tourist arrivals  $(arr_t)$  and total employment  $(emp_t)$  from the first quarter of 1979 to the fourth quarter of 2015.<sup>8</sup> Figures 1(a) and 2(a) show the two time series after taking logarithms and the sample spectra can be found in Figures 1(b) and 2(b), while Table VI investigates unit root properties through the HEGY test (Hylleberg *et al.*, 1990) for seasonal unit roots using the regression

$$\Delta_{4}y_{t} = \alpha_{q} + \beta_{q}t + \pi_{0}y_{t-1}^{(0)} + \pi_{1}^{\alpha}y_{t-1}^{(1\alpha)} + \pi_{1}^{\beta}y_{t-1}^{(1\beta)} + \pi_{2}y_{t-1}^{(2)}$$

$$+ \sum_{j=1}^{p} \gamma_{j}\Delta_{4}y_{t-j} + \varepsilon_{t},$$
(40)

where  $\alpha_q$  and  $\beta_q$  (q = 1, 2, 3, 4) are understood to be the coefficients of quarterly dummy variables for an intercept and trend, respectively,  $y_{t-1}^{(0)} = y_t + y_{t-1} + y_{t-2} + y_{t-3}$ ,  $y_{t-1}^{(1\alpha)} = -y_{t-1} + y_{t-3}$ ,  $y_{t-1}^{(1\beta)} = -y_{t-2} + y_{t-4}$ ,  $y_{t-1}^{(2)} = -y_{t-1} + y_{t-2} - y_{t-3} + y_{t-4}$ , p is the order of augmentation and  $\varepsilon_t$  is uncorrelated over time. Results are obtained using both OLS and GLS detrending and the MAIC criteria is used to determine the order of augmentation; see del Barrio Castro *et al.* (2016) for details. Asymptotic critical values are employed, with these obtained from the quantile functions in del Barrio Castro *et al.* (2017). As usual, one-sided *t*-type tests are employed for the null hypotheses  $\pi_0 = 0$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The data was obtained from the web page of the IBESTAT (Regional Statistical office of the Balearic Islands); in the case of the quarterly employment data the source is the EPA (Encuesta de Población Activa) of the INE (National Statistical office of Spain), while the source of passenger arrivals is data provided by AENA.



Figure 1. Quarterly tourist arrivals in Balearic Islands. *Notes*: Data are quarterly, 1979Q1–2015Q4. (a) The values after taking natural logarithms, while (b) shows the sample spectrum of the log values obtained using the Bartlett window





and  $\pi_2 = 0$  (associated with the zero and Nyquist frequencies, respectively), together with a joint *F*-type test for  $\pi_1^{\alpha} = \pi_1^{\beta} = 0$  (associated with the frequency  $\pi/2$ ).

It is evident from Figure 1 that tourist arrivals exhibit a clear seasonal pattern which is associated particularly with the annual frequency  $\pi/2$  (Figure 1(b)). On the other hand, employment in Figure 2 exhibits relatively little seasonality and its spectrum is dominated by a zero frequency peak. The test results of Table VI are in line with these visual characteristics:  $\ln (arr_t)$  is judged to be a seasonally integrated process, with unit roots at the zero and both seasonal frequencies,  $\pi/2$  and  $\pi$ , while  $\ln (emp_t)$  apparently has only a zero frequency unit root.

The different unit root properties for the series imply that conventional zero frequency cointegration is not the only possibility. In particular, it is of interest to examine whether the evolution of seasonality in tourist arrivals might be cointegrated with long-run (zero frequency) employment. From an economic perspective, such cross-frequency cointegration may be a consequence of labor market conditions or practices whereby employment

	$\ln\left(arr_{t}\right)$			$ln(emp_t)$			
	GLS detrending	OLS detrending	GLS detr	rending	OLS detr	ending	
$t_{\pi_0}$	-1.776	-1.620	-2.053		-2.511		
$t_{\pi_2}$	-1.975	-2.183	-4.769	***	-4.858	***	
$F_{\pi_1^{\alpha}\pi_1^{\beta}}$	1.958	2.170	17.577	***	18.236	***	

Table VI. HEGY test results for Balearic Islands series

*Notes*: The HEGY test regression is (40), for which  $t_{\pi_0}$  and  $t_{\pi_2}$  are *t*-type statistics for one-sided unit root tests at the zero and Nyquist frequencies, respectively, while  $F_{\pi_i^{\alpha}\pi_i^{\beta}}$  is a two-sided F-type test for a pair of complex unit roots at the seasonal frequency  $\pi/2$ ; the order of augmentation p is 4 for ln (arr,) and 1 for ln (emp.). In principle, \*, \*\* and \*\*\* indicate significance at the 10%, 5% and 1% levels respectively. For further details see Section 5.

			Test results		
Frequencies examined	Variables in VAR	$r_0 = 0$	$r_0 = 1$	$r_0 = 2$	
0,0	$\ln(emp), \ln(arr)$	12.8791	1.7782		
0, π	$\ln(emp), \cos(\pi t) \ln(arr)$	12.7871	0.0052		

 $\ln(emp), \operatorname{Re}[e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}t}(1-e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}L})\ln(arr_t)], \operatorname{Im}[e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}t}(1-e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}L})\ln(arr_t)]$ 

 $0, \frac{\pi}{2}$ 

Table VII. Tests for cointegration between Balearic Islands series

Notes: The Johansen trace test is applied to a VAR consisting of the indicated variables to test cointegration between ln(emp) at the zero frequency and  $\ln(arr)$  at the zero and each seasonal frequency. Seasonal dummies and 5 lags are included in each VAR;  $r_0$  is the number of cointegrating vectors under the null hypothesis. Significance is indicated as in Table VI. For further details see Section 5.

29.8363\*\*

3.7950

0.2184

does not respond to the evolution of seasonality in tourism. Consequently, it is plausible that increased seasonality in tourist arrivals could result in higher long-run employment and, conversely, reduced seasonality in lower employment.

Therefore, Table VII examines the possible cointegration between  $\ln(emp_t) \sim I_0(1)$  and  $\ln(arr_t)$  at the zero,  $\pi/2$  and  $\pi$  frequencies.<sup>9</sup> In each case, the Johansen approach is applied to a VAR consisting of ln (*emp.*) and ln (arr,) after the appropriate demodulation transformation is applied to the latter. As discussed in Section 3.2, the real and imaginary parts of the demodulated series are employed for  $\ln(arr_t) \sim I_{\pi/2}(1)$ , leading to a three equation VAR for this case. A constant and seasonal dummy variables are included in all VARs, with significance judged using the critical values of Johansen (1996, Table 15.3, unrestricted constants). The lag length is 5 in each case; this is selected by the Hannan–Quinn criterion for the VAR in  $\ln(emp_i)$  and (untransformed)  $\ln(arr_t)$ , and employed for each VAR. In line with the discussion of Section 3.3, the appropriate demodulator operator is applied to  $\ln(arr_t)$  for the frequency of interest without filtering out unit roots at other frequencies.

The results indicate the series are not cointegrated at the zero frequency and neither is  $\ln(emp_t)$  at the zero frequency cointegrated with  $\ln(arr_t)$  at frequency  $\pi$ . However, the VAR for  $\ln(emp_t)$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}[e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}t}(1-e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}t})\ln(arr_t)]$ and  $\text{Im}[e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}t}(1-e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}L})\ln(arr_t)]$  indicates the presence of one cointegrating relationship (and hence two common trends), implying the existence of cointegration between the zero frequency unit root of  $\ln(emp_t)$  and the pair of annual frequency unit roots in  $\ln(arr_{t})$ . In other words, the results support the existence of cross-frequency cointegration between long-run employment and the annual seasonal cycle in tourism arrivals for the Balearic Islands.

Note that cointegration can apply for at most one of these three cases, since otherwise there would be cross-frequency cointegration within the  $\ln(arr_{i})$  series and hence that series could not be seasonally integrated.

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# 6. CONCLUSIONS

A stochastic process that is I(1) at given frequency is characterized by having an unbounded spectrum at that frequency. Hence, it is clear that if two stochastic processes are I(1) at different frequencies, no time-invariant linear combinations of them can remove the unit roots at those frequencies. However, a transformation known as complex demodulation is capable of shifting a unit root at a non-zero frequency to a unit root at frequency zero. Hence, it is possible that a common (complex-valued) stochastic trend can exist between demodulated stochastic processes that are not I(1) at the same frequency.

In terms of the original variables, the form of cointegration under consideration is periodic (i.e. has cyclically varying coefficients) and generally polynomial. This notwithstanding, statistical inference may be easily conducted by already available methods for cointegration analysis. Using simulations and an empirical example, the present article both examines the theory underlying this form of cointegration and documents the practical value of the proposed approach.

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# APPENDIX A

This appendix features the results of asymptotic analysis referred to in Sections 2 and 3. Here we report the statements of the various lemmas whereas the proofs are included in the Appendix S1 (Supporting Information) of this article.

For our purposes, it is useful to employ a double subscript notation  $x_{n\tau}$  where the subscripts  $n\tau$  indicate the *n*th observation within the  $\tau$ th cycle, where the total number of observations per complete cycle is *N*. The spectral frequencies associated with  $x_{n\tau}$  are then  $\omega_j = 2\pi j/N$  where  $j = 0, 1, ..., \lfloor N/2 \rfloor$  and  $\lfloor . \rfloor$  denotes the integer part. Hence for example  $\omega_1 = 2\pi/N$  completes a full cycle every *N* observations. Using the double subscript notation for an  $I_{\omega_i}(1)$  process, (2) is written as

$$x_{n\tau} = (2\cos\omega_j)x_{n-1,\tau} - x_{n-2,\tau} + v_{n\tau}, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, N.$$
(A1)

Also note that when using the double subscript notation, it is understood that  $x_{n-k,\tau} = x_{N-n+k,\tau-1}$  for  $n-k \le 0$ . Adopting the convention that t = 1 corresponds to  $n = \tau = 1$ , then  $t = N(\tau - 1) + n$  provides the one-to-one mapping between the notations  $x_t$  and  $x_{n\tau}$ .

Defining the  $N \times 1$  vector of seasons  $X_{\tau}^- = [x_{1\tau}^-, x_{2\tau}^-, x_{3\tau}^-, \dots, x_{N\tau}^-]'$  for the process of (4), the following lemma summarizes the stochastic characteristics of this process:

**Lemma 1.** For  $X_{\tau}^{-} = [x_{1\tau}^{-}, x_{2\tau}^{-}, x_{3\tau}^{-}, \dots, x_{N\tau}^{-}]'$  with  $x_{n\tau}^{-} n = 1, 2, \dots, N$  defined in (4) and with  $v_{n\tau} \sim \text{i.i.d.} (0, \sigma^2)$  then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} X_{\lfloor Tr \rfloor}^{-} \Rightarrow \sigma \mathbf{C}_{j}^{-} W(r) = \sigma \mathbf{v}_{j}^{-} \mathbf{v}_{j}^{+'} W^{\nu}(r)$$

$$= \sigma \left( N/2 \right)^{1/2} \mathbf{v}_{j}^{-} \left( w_{R}^{\nu}(r) + i w_{I}^{\nu}(r) \right)$$
(A2)

where  $\mathbf{C}_{j}^{-}$  is the circulant matrix of rank one  $\mathbf{C}_{j}^{-} = \operatorname{Circ} \left[1, e^{-i(N-1)\omega_{j}}, e^{-i(N-2)\omega_{j}}, \dots, e^{-i\omega_{j}}\right]$ , the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_{j}^{-}$ and  $\mathbf{v}_{j}^{+}$  are defined as  $\mathbf{v}_{j}^{-} = \left[e^{-i\omega_{j}} e^{-i2\omega_{j}} e^{-i3\omega_{j}} \cdots e^{-iN\omega_{j}}\right]'$  and  $\mathbf{v}_{j}^{+} = \left[e^{i\omega_{j}} e^{i2\omega_{j}} e^{i3\omega_{j}} \cdots e^{iN\omega_{j}}\right]$ ,  $W^{\nu}(r) = \left[W_{1}^{\nu}(r) W_{2}^{\nu}(r) \cdots W_{N}^{\nu}(r)\right]'$  is  $N \times 1$  vector Brownian motion with  $w_{R}^{\nu}(r)$  and  $w_{I}^{\nu}(r)$  two scalar Brownian motions defined as  $w_{R}^{\nu}(r) = (N/2)^{-1/2} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \cos(k\omega_{j}) W_{k}^{\nu}(r)$  and  $w_{I}^{\nu}(r) = (N/2)^{-1/2} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \sin(k\omega_{j}) W_{k}^{\nu}(r)$  respectively.

**Remark 2.** Note that the result in Lemma 1 also applies to  $x_t^+$  in (8), as it is straightforward to see that for  $X_{\tau}^+ = [x_{1\tau}^+, x_{2\tau}^+, x_{3\tau}^+, \dots, x_{N\tau}^+]'$  it follows that  $T^{1/2}X_{[Tr]}^+ \Rightarrow \sigma \mathbf{C}_j^+ W^{\nu}(r) = \sigma \mathbf{v}_j^+ \mathbf{v}_j^{-'} W^{\nu}(r) = \sigma (N/2)^{1/2} \mathbf{v}_j^- (w_R^{\nu}(r) - iw_I^{\nu}(r))$  with  $\mathbf{C}_j^+ = \operatorname{Circ} [1, e^{i(N-1)\omega_j}, e^{i(N-2)\omega_j}, \dots, e^{i\omega_j}]$ . Hence we have a pair of complex-valued scalar Brownian motions  $w_R^{\nu}(r) \pm iw_I^{\nu}(r)$  as in Gregoir (2010, p.1494). Note also that del Barrio Castro *et al.* (2018, eqs. (3.12) and (3.13)) prove a similar result but consider complex-valued near-integrated processes and also allow serial correlation in the innovations.

**Remark 3.** From (A2) and (5) it is clear that  $(w_R^{\nu}(r) + iw_I^{\nu}(r))$  provides the behavior of the stochastic trend  $\left[x_0^- + \sum_{k=1}^{t} e_k^{i\omega_j k} v_k\right]$ , the vector  $\mathbf{v}_j^- = \left[e^{-i\omega_j} e^{-i2\omega_j} e^{-i3\omega_j} \cdots e^{-iN\omega_j}\right]'$  and the effect of the demodulator operator  $e^{-it\omega_j}$ . Another interesting point from (A2) is that it shows that *N* processes comprising the elements of  $X_{\tau}^-$  share a common stochastic trend, or equivalently that there are N - 1 cointegration relationships between the elements of  $X_{\tau}^-$ .

**Remark 4.** For the process  $x_{n\tau}$  of (A1), Smith *et al.* (2009, p. 540, Lemma 1 and Remark) show that for the circulant matrix of rank 2  $\mathbf{C}_j = \operatorname{Ci} rc \left[ \frac{\sin(\omega_j)}{\sin(\omega_j)}, \frac{\sin(N\omega_j)}{\sin(\omega_j)}, \frac{\sin(N\omega_j)}{\sin(\omega_j)}, \frac{\sin(N\omega_j)}{\sin(\omega_j)}, \dots, \frac{\sin(N\omega_j)}{\sin(\omega_j)} \right]$  then  $\mathbf{C}_j$ ,  $\mathbf{C}_j^-$  and  $\mathbf{C}_j^+$  satisfy  $\mathbf{C}_j = \frac{e^{-i\omega_j}}{e^{-i\omega_j}-e^{i\omega_j}} \mathbf{C}_j^- + \frac{e^{i\omega_j}}{e^{i\omega_j}-e^{-i\omega_j}} \mathbf{C}_j^+$ .

The following lemmas provide the asymptotic results that underpin the discussion of Section 3.

**Lemma 5.** For  $Z_{\tau}^{(0,\omega_j)^-} = \left[ y_{1\tau}^{(0)-}, y_{2\tau}^{(0)-}, \dots, y_{N\tau}^{(0)-}, x_{1\tau}^-, x_{2\tau}^-, \dots, x_{N\tau}^- \right]'$ , with  $x_{n\tau}^-$  and  $y_{n\tau}^{(0)-}n = 1, 2, \dots, N$  defined in (11),  $v_{n\tau} \sim \text{i.i.d.} (0, \sigma^2)$  and  $u_{n\tau} \sim \text{i.i.d.} (0, \sigma_u^2)$ , then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} Z_{[Tr]}^{(0,\omega_j)-} \Rightarrow \sigma \left(N/2\right)^{1/2} \begin{bmatrix} \beta \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{v}_j^- \end{bmatrix} \left(w_R^{\nu}(r) + i w_I^{\nu}(r)\right)$$
(A3)

with  $(w_R^{\nu}(r) + iw_I^{\nu}(r))$  and  $\mathbf{v}_i^-$  as in Lemma 1, while 1 is an  $N \times 1$  vector of ones.

**Lemma 6.** For  $Z_{\tau}^{(\omega_k,\omega_j)^-} = [y_{1\tau}^-, y_{2\tau}^-, \dots, y_{N\tau}^-, x_{1\tau}^-, x_{2\tau}^-, \dots, x_{N\tau}^-]'$  with  $x_{n\tau}^-$  and  $y_{n\tau}^-$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$  defined in (12) and with  $v_{n\tau} \sim \text{i.i.d.} (0, \sigma^2)$  and  $u_{n\tau} \sim \text{i.i.d.} (0, \sigma^2_u)$ , then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} Z_{[T_r]}^{(\omega_k,\omega_j)-} \Rightarrow \sigma \left(N/2\right)^{1/2} \begin{bmatrix} \beta \mathbf{v}_k^- \\ \mathbf{v}_j^- \end{bmatrix} \left(w_R^{\nu}(r) + i w_I^{\nu}(r)\right)$$
(A4)

with  $\left(w_{R}^{\nu}(r)+iw_{I}^{\nu}(r)\right)$  and  $\mathbf{v}_{i}^{-}$  as in Lemma 1 and finally  $\mathbf{v}_{k}^{-}=\left[e^{-i\omega_{k}}e^{-i2\omega_{k}}e^{-i3\omega_{k}}\cdots e^{-iN\omega_{k}}\right]'$ .

**Remark 7.** As a particular case of (12) and (A4) we can define a triangular system between two complex-valued integrated processes, one associated with the Nyquist frequency ( $\pi$ ) and the other to a harmonic frequency  $\omega_j$ , by multiplying (11) by  $e^{-i\pi(N(\tau-1)+n)}$ .

**Lemma 8.** For  $Z_{\tau}^{(0,\omega_j)} = [y_{1\tau}, y_{2\tau}, \dots, y_{N\tau}, x_{1\tau}, x_{2\tau}, \dots, x_{N\tau}]'$  with  $y_{n\tau}$  defined by (27) and (28) and  $x_{n\tau} = 2\cos(\omega_j)x_{n-1,\tau} - x_{n-2,\tau} + v_{n\tau}$   $(n = 1, 2, \dots, N)$  with  $v_{n\tau} \sim \text{i.i.d.}(0, \sigma^2), u_{n\tau} \sim \text{i.i.d.}(0, \sigma_u^2)$ , and  $z_{Rn\tau} = \text{Re}[u_{n\tau}]$ , then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}Z_{\lfloor Tr \rfloor}^{(0,\omega_j)} \Rightarrow \sigma \left(N/2\right)^{1/2} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left(\beta_R + i\beta_I\right) \mathbf{1} \left(w_R^{\nu}(r) + iw_I^{\nu}(r)\right) + \left(\beta_R - i\beta_I\right) \mathbf{1} \left(w_R^{\nu}(r) - iw_I^{\nu}(r)\right) \right] \\ \frac{e^{-i\omega_j}}{-2i\sin(\omega_j)} \mathbf{v}_j^- \left(w_R^{\nu}(r) + iw_I^{\nu}(r)\right) + \frac{e^{i\omega_j}}{2i\sin(\omega_j)} \mathbf{v}_j^+ \left(w_R^{\nu}(r) - iw_I^{\nu}(r)\right) \end{bmatrix}$$
(A5)

with  $(w_R^{\nu}(r) + iw_I^{\nu}(r))$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_j^-$  and  $\mathbf{v}_j^+$  as in Lemma 1,  $(w_R^{\nu}(r) - iw_I^{\nu}(r))$  the complex conjugate of  $(w_R^{\nu}(r) + iw_I^{\nu}(r))$  and **1** is an  $N \times 1$  vector of ones.

**Lemma 9.** For  $Z_{\tau}^{(\omega_k,\omega_j)} = [y_{1\tau}, y_{2\tau}, \dots, y_{N\tau}, x_{1\tau}, x_{2\tau}, \dots, x_{N\tau}]'$  with  $x_{n\tau}$  and  $y_{n\tau}$   $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$  satisfying (21) with  $x_{n\tau} = 2 \cos(\omega_j) x_{n-1,\tau} - x_{n-2,\tau} + v_{n\tau}, v_{n\tau} \sim \text{i.i.d.} (0, \sigma^2)$ , it is possible to write:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} Z_{\lfloor Tr \rfloor}^{(\omega_k,\omega_j)} \Rightarrow \sigma \left(N/2\right)^{1/2} \begin{bmatrix} \left\{ \frac{\left(\beta_R + i\beta_I\right)}{2} \mathbf{v}_k^-\left(w_R^{\nu}\left(r\right) + iw_I^{\nu}\left(r\right)\right) + \frac{\left(\beta_R - i\beta_I\right)}{2} \mathbf{v}_k^+\left(w_R^{\nu}\left(r\right) - iw_I^{\nu}\left(r\right)\right) \\ + \frac{\cos(\omega_k)}{\sin(\omega_k)} \left[ \frac{\left(\beta_R + i\beta_I\right)}{-2i} \mathbf{v}_k^-\left(w_R^{\nu}\left(r\right) + iw_I^{\nu}\left(r\right)\right) + \frac{\left(\beta_R - i\beta_I\right)}{2i} \mathbf{v}_k^+\left(w_R^{\nu}\left(r\right) - iw_I^{\nu}\left(r\right)\right) \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{e^{-i\omega_j}}{-2i\sin(\omega_j)} \mathbf{v}_j^-\left(w_R^{\nu}\left(r\right) + iw_I^{\nu}\left(r\right)\right) + \frac{e^{i\omega_j}}{2i\sin(\omega_j)} \mathbf{v}_j^+\left(w_R^{\nu}\left(r\right) - iw_I^{\nu}\left(r\right)\right) \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$
(A6)

with  $(w_R^{\vee}(r) \pm iw_I^{\vee}(r))$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_j^-$  and  $\mathbf{v}_j^+$  as in Lemma 8, and  $\mathbf{v}_k^- = [e^{-i\omega_k} e^{-i2\omega_k} e^{-i3\omega_k} \cdots e^{-iN\omega_k}]'$  and  $\mathbf{v}_k^+ = [e^{i\omega_k} e^{i2\omega_k} e^{i3\omega_k} \cdots e^{iN\omega_k}]'$ .

**Lemma 10.** For  $Z_{\tau}^{(\pi,\omega_j)} = [y_{1\tau}, y_{2\tau}, \dots, y_{N\tau}, x_{1\tau}, x_{2\tau}, \dots, x_{N\tau}]'$  with  $y_{n\tau} n = 1, 2, \dots, N$  defined in (31) and (32),  $x_{n\tau} = 2\cos(\omega_j) x_{n-1,\tau} - x_{n-2,\tau} + v_{n\tau}$  and with  $v_{n\tau} \sim \text{i.i.d.} (0, \sigma^2)$ ,  $u_{n\tau} \sim \text{i.i.d.} (0, \sigma_u^2)$  and  $z_{Rn\tau} = \cos(\pi n) \operatorname{Re} [u_{n\tau}]$  it is possible to write:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} Z_{\lfloor Tr \rfloor}^{(\pi,\omega_j)} \Rightarrow \sigma \left(N/2\right)^{1/2} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left(\beta_R + i\beta_I\right) \mathbf{v}_{N/2} \left( w_R^{\nu}(r) + iw_I^{\nu}(r) \right) + \left(\beta_R - i\beta_I\right) \mathbf{v}_{N/2} \left( w_R^{\nu}(r) - iw_I^{\nu}(r) \right) \right] \\ \frac{e^{-i\omega_j}}{-2i\sin(\omega_j)} \mathbf{v}_j^- \left( w_R^{\nu}(r) + iw_I^{\nu}(r) \right) + \frac{e^{i\omega_j}}{2i\sin(\omega_j)} \mathbf{v}_j^+ \left( w_R^{\nu}(r) - iw_I^{\nu}(r) \right) \end{bmatrix}$$
(A7)

with  $(w_R^{\nu}(r) + iw_I^{\nu}(r))$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_j^-$  and  $\mathbf{v}_j^+$  as in Lemma 1,  $(w_R^{\nu}(r) - iw_I^{\nu}(r))$  the complex conjugate of  $(w_R^{\nu}(r) + iw_I^{\nu}(r))$  and  $\mathbf{v}_{N/2}$  the  $N \times 1$  vector  $\mathbf{v}_{N/2} = [-1, 1, -1, \dots, -1^N]$ .

**Lemma 11.** For  $Z_{\tau}^{(0,\pi)} = [y_{1\tau}, y_{2\tau}, \dots, y_{N\tau}, x_{1\tau}, x_{2\tau}, \dots, x_{N\tau}]'$  with  $x_{n\tau} = -x_{n-1,\tau} + v_{n\tau}$  and  $y_{n\tau}$  defined in (34),  $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$ , and with  $v_{n\tau} \sim \text{i.i.d.} (0, \sigma^2)$ , and  $u_t \sim I_0(0)$  it is possible to write:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} Z_{\lfloor Tr \rfloor}^{(0,\pi)} \Rightarrow \sigma \left(N/2\right)^{1/2} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_R \mathbf{1}_{W^{\vee}}(r) \\ \mathbf{v}_{N/2} W^{\vee}(r) \end{bmatrix}$$
(A8)

with  $w^{\nu}(r) = (N/2)^{-1/2} \sum_{k=1}^{N} (-1)^{k} W_{k}^{\nu}(r)$ . being a scalar Brownian motion.