

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS:  
COMPARISON BETWEEN THE EXACT LIKELIHOOD AND  
WHITTLE LIKELIHOOD FOR MOVING AVERAGE PROCESSES

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Supplementary materials provide the simulation results of parameter estimation accuracy for the MLE ( $\hat{\theta}$ ) and Whittle estimator ( $\hat{\theta}_w$ ) for the MA(1) process. Tables [A](#) and [B](#) report the parameter estimates, the estimation bias (Bias), the mean of absolute error (MAE) and mean squared error (MSE) results with  $T=30$  and 100 respectively.

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TABLE A  
 Accuracy performance of MLE and Whittle likelihood estimator for  $T=30$ . The better performances with smaller absolute value of Bias, smaller MAE and MSE are marked in bold.

$\theta_0$	Estimate		Bias		MAE		MSE	
	$\hat{\theta}$	$\tilde{\theta}_W$	$\hat{\theta}$	$\tilde{\theta}_W$	$\hat{\theta}$	$\tilde{\theta}_W$	$\hat{\theta}$	$\tilde{\theta}_W$
0.1	0.147	0.148	<b>0.047</b>	0.048	<b>0.124</b>	0.126	<b>0.027</b>	0.029
0.2	0.241	0.234	0.041	<b>0.034</b>	0.150	<b>0.144</b>	0.038	<b>0.037</b>
0.3	0.329	0.319	0.029	<b>0.019</b>	0.169	<b>0.162</b>	0.046	<b>0.043</b>
0.4	0.427	0.420	0.027	<b>0.020</b>	<b>0.160</b>	0.162	<b>0.041</b>	0.043
0.5	0.530	0.501	0.030	<b>0.001</b>	<b>0.155</b>	0.163	<b>0.039</b>	0.043
0.6	0.641	0.600	0.041	<b>-0.001</b>	<b>0.149</b>	0.151	<b>0.037</b>	0.038
0.7	0.722	0.681	0.022	<b>-0.020</b>	<b>0.124</b>	0.135	<b>0.025</b>	0.029
0.8	0.832	0.750	<b>0.032</b>	<b>-0.050</b>	<b>0.112</b>	0.122	<b>0.018</b>	0.025
0.9	0.898	0.790	<b>-0.002</b>	<b>-0.110</b>	<b>0.087</b>	0.143	<b>0.015</b>	0.040
0.91	0.911	0.807	<b>0.001</b>	<b>-0.104</b>	<b>0.078</b>	0.124	<b>0.009</b>	0.023
0.92	0.913	0.820	<b>-0.007</b>	<b>-0.100</b>	<b>0.074</b>	0.121	<b>0.009</b>	0.023
0.93	0.928	0.822	<b>-0.002</b>	<b>-0.108</b>	<b>0.066</b>	0.124	<b>0.007</b>	0.024
0.94	0.925	0.810	<b>-0.015</b>	<b>-0.130</b>	<b>0.067</b>	0.141	<b>0.009</b>	0.030
0.95	0.928	0.821	<b>-0.022</b>	<b>-0.129</b>	<b>0.065</b>	0.140	<b>0.009</b>	0.031
0.96	0.934	0.825	<b>-0.026</b>	<b>-0.136</b>	<b>0.059</b>	0.141	<b>0.008</b>	0.031
0.97	0.937	0.824	<b>-0.033</b>	<b>-0.146</b>	<b>0.056</b>	0.149	<b>0.008</b>	0.034
0.98	0.935	0.816	<b>-0.045</b>	<b>-0.164</b>	<b>0.060</b>	0.165	<b>0.010</b>	0.039
0.99	0.946	0.819	<b>-0.044</b>	<b>-0.171</b>	<b>0.051</b>	0.171	<b>0.007</b>	0.042
-0.1	-0.098	-0.094	<b>0.002</b>	0.006	0.168	<b>0.165</b>	0.050	<b>0.047</b>
-0.2	-0.212	-0.204	<b>-0.012</b>	<b>-0.004</b>	0.179	<b>0.172</b>	0.055	<b>0.051</b>
-0.3	-0.295	-0.296	0.005	<b>0.004</b>	<b>0.160</b>	0.163	<b>0.044</b>	0.045
-0.4	-0.415	-0.396	<b>-0.015</b>	<b>0.004</b>	0.150	<b>0.146</b>	0.039	<b>0.035</b>
-0.5	-0.522	-0.499	<b>-0.022</b>	<b>0.001</b>	0.154	<b>0.154</b>	<b>0.038</b>	0.039
-0.6	-0.618	-0.577	<b>-0.018</b>	0.023	0.156	<b>0.148</b>	0.044	<b>0.040</b>
-0.7	-0.723	-0.666	<b>-0.023</b>	0.034	<b>0.137</b>	0.139	<b>0.031</b>	0.033
-0.8	-0.817	-0.731	<b>-0.017</b>	0.069	<b>0.112</b>	0.129	<b>0.025</b>	0.030
-0.9	-0.898	-0.776	<b>0.002</b>	0.124	<b>0.089</b>	0.148	<b>0.013</b>	0.040
-0.91	-0.915	-0.793	<b>-0.005</b>	0.117	<b>0.080</b>	0.139	<b>0.011</b>	0.036
-0.92	-0.919	-0.792	<b>0.001</b>	0.128	<b>0.074</b>	0.146	<b>0.009</b>	0.040
-0.93	-0.925	-0.797	<b>0.005</b>	0.133	<b>0.071</b>	0.146	<b>0.009</b>	0.042
-0.94	-0.929	-0.806	<b>0.011</b>	0.134	<b>0.068</b>	0.145	<b>0.009</b>	0.038
-0.95	-0.930	-0.793	<b>0.020</b>	0.157	<b>0.065</b>	0.164	<b>0.010</b>	0.050
-0.96	-0.933	-0.807	<b>0.027</b>	0.153	<b>0.062</b>	0.158	<b>0.013</b>	0.049
-0.97	-0.939	-0.797	<b>0.031</b>	0.173	<b>0.055</b>	0.176	<b>0.008</b>	0.054
-0.98	-0.931	-0.801	<b>0.049</b>	0.179	<b>0.065</b>	0.180	<b>0.018</b>	0.059
-0.99	-0.938	-0.784	<b>0.052</b>	0.206	<b>0.059</b>	0.207	<b>0.013</b>	0.068

TABLE B

Accuracy performance of MLE and Whittle likelihood estimator for  $T=100$ . The better performances with smaller absolute value of Bias, smaller MAE and MSE are marked in bold.

$\theta_0$	Estimate		Bias		MAE		MSE	
	$\hat{\theta}$	$\tilde{\theta}_W$	$\hat{\theta}$	$\tilde{\theta}_W$	$\hat{\theta}$	$\tilde{\theta}_W$	$\hat{\theta}$	$\tilde{\theta}_W$
0.1	0.113	0.111	0.013	<b>0.011</b>	<b>0.075</b>	<b>0.075</b>	<b>0.008</b>	<b>0.008</b>
0.2	0.203	0.200	0.003	<b>0.000</b>	<b>0.074</b>	<b>0.074</b>	<b>0.009</b>	<b>0.009</b>
0.3	0.305	0.302	0.005	<b>0.002</b>	0.078	<b>0.077</b>	0.010	<b>0.009</b>
0.4	0.400	0.395	<b>0.000</b>	-0.005	<b>0.078</b>	<b>0.078</b>	<b>0.009</b>	<b>0.009</b>
0.5	0.505	0.497	0.005	-0.003	0.072	<b>0.070</b>	0.009	<b>0.008</b>
0.6	0.609	0.598	0.009	-0.002	<b>0.069</b>	0.070	<b>0.008</b>	<b>0.008</b>
0.7	0.708	0.690	<b>0.008</b>	-0.010	0.066	<b>0.065</b>	<b>0.007</b>	<b>0.007</b>
0.8	0.815	0.782	<b>0.015</b>	-0.018	<b>0.054</b>	0.065	<b>0.005</b>	0.007
0.9	0.909	0.858	<b>0.009</b>	-0.043	<b>0.044</b>	0.068	<b>0.003</b>	0.008
0.91	0.920	0.865	<b>0.010</b>	-0.045	<b>0.043</b>	0.067	<b>0.003</b>	0.008
0.92	0.930	0.864	<b>0.010</b>	-0.056	<b>0.039</b>	0.075	<b>0.002</b>	0.009
0.93	0.937	0.873	<b>0.007</b>	-0.057	<b>0.038</b>	0.072	<b>0.002</b>	0.009
0.94	0.946	0.875	<b>0.006</b>	-0.065	<b>0.036</b>	0.078	<b>0.002</b>	0.010
0.95	0.956	0.883	<b>0.006</b>	-0.067	<b>0.034</b>	0.076	<b>0.002</b>	0.010
0.96	0.964	0.883	<b>0.004</b>	-0.078	<b>0.031</b>	0.084	<b>0.001</b>	0.012
0.97	0.972	0.890	<b>0.002</b>	-0.080	<b>0.025</b>	0.086	<b>0.001</b>	0.013
0.98	0.979	0.887	<b>-0.001</b>	-0.093	<b>0.022</b>	0.095	<b>0.001</b>	0.015
0.99	0.983	0.894	<b>-0.007</b>	-0.096	<b>0.017</b>	0.096	<b>0.001</b>	0.015
-0.1	-0.102	-0.102	-0.002	<b>-0.002</b>	<b>0.078</b>	0.079	<b>0.010</b>	0.010
-0.2	-0.199	-0.197	<b>0.001</b>	0.003	0.080	<b>0.080</b>	0.011	<b>0.011</b>
-0.3	-0.302	-0.296	<b>-0.002</b>	0.004	<b>0.072</b>	0.072	<b>0.008</b>	0.008
-0.4	-0.405	-0.401	-0.005	<b>-0.001</b>	0.078	<b>0.077</b>	0.010	<b>0.009</b>
-0.5	-0.512	-0.504	-0.012	<b>-0.004</b>	<b>0.075</b>	0.077	<b>0.009</b>	0.009
-0.6	-0.603	-0.590	<b>-0.003</b>	0.010	<b>0.068</b>	0.069	<b>0.007</b>	0.008
-0.7	-0.710	-0.691	-0.010	<b>0.009</b>	<b>0.062</b>	0.062	0.006	<b>0.006</b>
-0.8	-0.807	-0.777	<b>-0.007</b>	0.023	<b>0.051</b>	0.061	<b>0.004</b>	0.006
-0.9	-0.913	-0.855	<b>-0.013</b>	0.045	<b>0.047</b>	0.069	<b>0.003</b>	0.008
-0.91	-0.920	-0.867	<b>-0.010</b>	0.043	<b>0.042</b>	0.066	<b>0.003</b>	0.007
-0.92	-0.929	-0.871	<b>-0.009</b>	0.049	<b>0.040</b>	0.071	<b>0.002</b>	0.008
-0.93	-0.938	-0.877	<b>-0.008</b>	0.053	<b>0.037</b>	0.068	<b>0.002</b>	0.008
-0.94	-0.948	-0.880	<b>-0.008</b>	0.060	<b>0.037</b>	0.075	<b>0.002</b>	0.010
-0.95	-0.957	-0.877	<b>-0.007</b>	0.073	<b>0.034</b>	0.084	<b>0.002</b>	0.013
-0.96	-0.964	-0.889	<b>-0.004</b>	0.071	<b>0.029</b>	0.080	<b>0.001</b>	0.011
-0.97	-0.974	-0.891	<b>-0.004</b>	0.079	<b>0.025</b>	0.082	<b>0.001</b>	0.012
-0.98	-0.979	-0.884	<b>0.001</b>	0.096	<b>0.021</b>	0.098	<b>0.001</b>	0.016
-0.99	-0.985	-0.897	<b>0.005</b>	0.093	<b>0.014</b>	0.094	<b>0.001</b>	0.014