

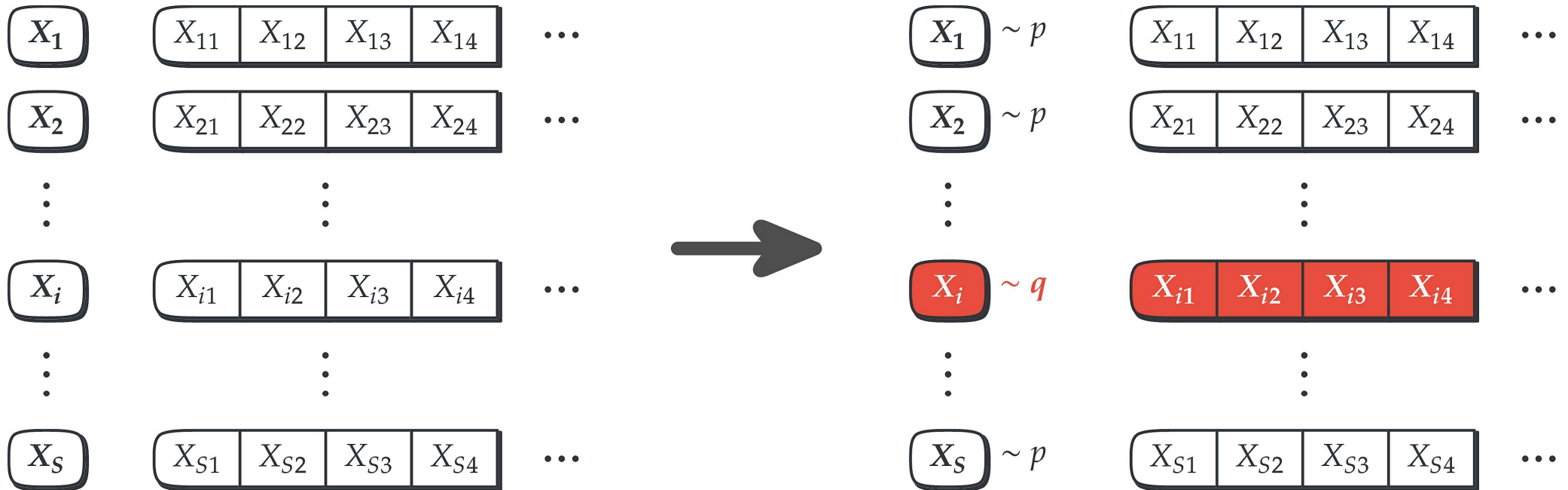
# Sequential Nonparametric Detection of Anomalous Data Streams

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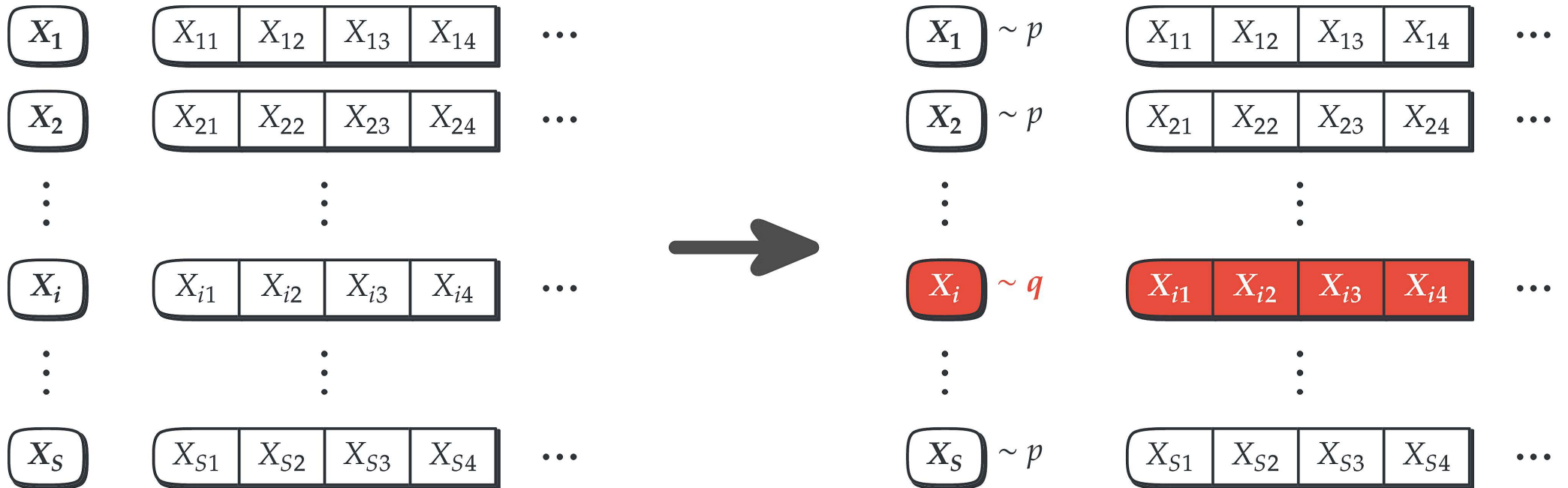
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# Detection of Anomalous Data Streams



- Each data stream independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) samples from an **unknown** distribution
- Typical vs Anomalous: Unknown number of anomalous streams
- Applications: Sensor networks, network monitoring

# Hypothesis Testing Setting



## Example

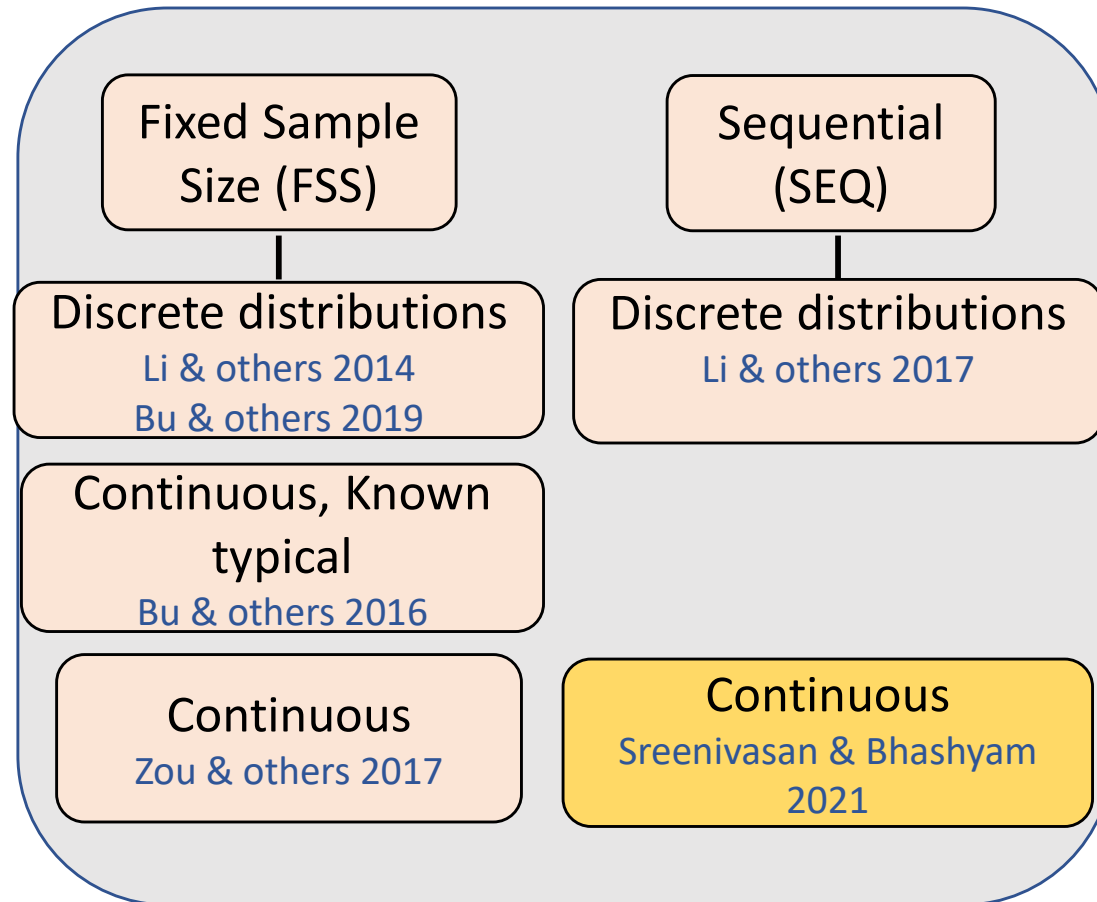
- One anomalous stream only:  $S$  hypotheses
- Hypothesis  $i$ : The  $i$  th stream is anomalous

**Settings:** Fixed sample size (FSS)/Sequential (SEQ), Unknown distributions

# Sequential Nonparametric Hypothesis Testing

- Observations arrive sequentially
- One new sample observed in each stream at each time
- Sequential decision rule consists of:
  - A stopping rule (whether or stop or continue sampling)
  - A decision (if stopping, what is the decision)
- Nonparametric: Unknown distributions  $p$  and  $q$ 
  - $p \neq q$
  - Also called Universal or Distribution-free tests

# Closely Related Work: Outlying Sequence Detection



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# Performance metrics used

- Performance metrics
  - Universal consistency
  - Universal exponential consistency
  - Error Exponent
  
- FSS: As number of samples grows
- SEQ: As the expected stopping time/stopping threshold grows
- Sequential tests can stop fast for good realizations
  - Expected number of samples required reduces

# Known Results: Discrete, FSS

- Discrete distributions
  - $L = 1$  (single anomaly),  $\gamma_i$  Empirical pmf of stream  $i$ , GL test

$$\hat{i} = \arg \max_i D(\gamma_i || p) \quad p \text{ known}$$

$$\hat{i} = \arg \min_i \sum_{j \neq i} D \left( \gamma_j || \frac{\sum_{k \neq i} \gamma_k}{S - 1} \right)$$

- Exponential consistency
- Optimal error exponent if  $p$  known
  
- Similar results for  $L \geq 1$  and known
- $L \leq 1$ 
  - Exponential consistency only under non-null hypothesis

# Known Results: Continuous, FSS, Known typical distribution

- Continuous distributions,  $L = 1$  (single anomaly)
- Based on estimated KL divergence

$$\hat{i} = \arg \max_i \hat{D} (Y_i || p)$$

- Based on estimated Maximum Mean Discrepancy (MMD)

$$\hat{i} = \arg \max_i \widehat{MMD} (Y_i || p)$$

- Exponential consistency in both cases
- One test not always better than the other



# Our Work

- Sequential test for
  - Number of anomalous streams  $L = 1$
  - Known or Unknown  $L: 1 \leq L \leq A$
  - Unknown  $L: 0 \leq L \leq A$
- Expected number of samples lower than that of FSS test for the same error probability
- Universal consistency (or) Universal exponential consistency

# Comparing distributions

- Known distributions
  - Compute likelihood under each distribution
- Unknown distributions + Parametric model for distributions
  - Generalized likelihood instead of likelihood
  - Parameters estimated under each hypothesis and plugged into likelihood
- Unknown distributions, Nonparametric
  - Estimated KL divergence
  - Maximum Mean Discrepancy (MMD)
  - Kolmogorov-Smirnov Distance (KSD)

# Maximum Mean Discrepancy (MMD)

$$MMD(p, q) = \sup_{f \in F} E_p[f(X)] - E_q[f(Y)]$$

- $X \sim p$  and  $Y \sim q$ ,
- $f$  a real – valued function from class  $F$
- $F$ : Unit ball in a Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Space (RKHS) with kernel  $k(., .)$
- Estimate with finite number of samples
- Convergence as number of samples grows

# MMD Estimate and Convergence

$$X_i^n = \{x_{i1}, x_{i2}, \dots, x_{in}\}$$

$$X_j^n = \{x_{j1}, x_{j2}, \dots, x_{jn}\}$$

Gaussian Kernel

$$k(x, y) = e^{-\frac{(x-y)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$M_u(i, j, n) = \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{l \neq m} (k(x_{il}, x_{im}) + k(x_{jl}, x_{jm}) - k(x_{il}, x_{jm}) - k(x_{jl}, x_{im}))$$

$M_u(i, j, n)$  converges a.s. to  $MMD(p, q)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

Sequential update with  $O(n)$  computations

# Sequential Test: Single Anomaly Case

- Find
  - Stream with maximum minimum distance from other streams
  - Corresponding max-min distance

$$\hat{i}(n) = \arg \max_i \min_{j \neq i} M_u(i, j, n)$$

$$\Gamma(n) = \max_i \min_{j \neq i} M_u(i, j, n)$$

- Compare max-min distance with a threshold

$$\Gamma(n) > \frac{c}{n^\alpha}$$

- Choice of alpha

# Sequential Test: Multiple Anomaly Case

- Find
  - Subset  $\mathbf{A}$  with maximum minimum distance from other subsets
  - Corresponding max-min distance
  - Search over all subsets of size  $L$  (known  $L$  or  $1 \leq L \leq A$ )

$$\hat{i}(n) = \arg \max_{\mathbf{A}} \min_{i \in \mathbf{A}} \min_{j \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathbf{A}} M_u(i, j, n)$$

$$\Gamma(n) = \max_{\mathbf{A}} \min_{i \in \mathbf{A}} \min_{j \in \mathcal{S} \setminus \mathbf{A}} M_u(i, j, n)$$

- Compare max-min distance with a threshold

$$\Gamma(n) > \frac{c}{n^\alpha}$$

# Possibility of No Anomalies $0 \leq L \leq A$

- Additional time-out parameter  $T_0$ 
  - controls error probability when there are no anomalies
- Use previous test up to  $T_0$
- Stop if number of samples exceeds  $T_0$

$$\Gamma(n) > \frac{c}{n^{0.5}}$$

# Properties of the Proposed Test

- Stopping time  $N$ , Maximal error prob  $P_{\max}$
- Finite stopping time  $P_i[N < \infty] = 1$  for each  $i$
- Universal consistency  $\lim_{C \rightarrow \infty} P_{\max} = 0$
- When  $L > 0$ , we also have universal exponential consistency

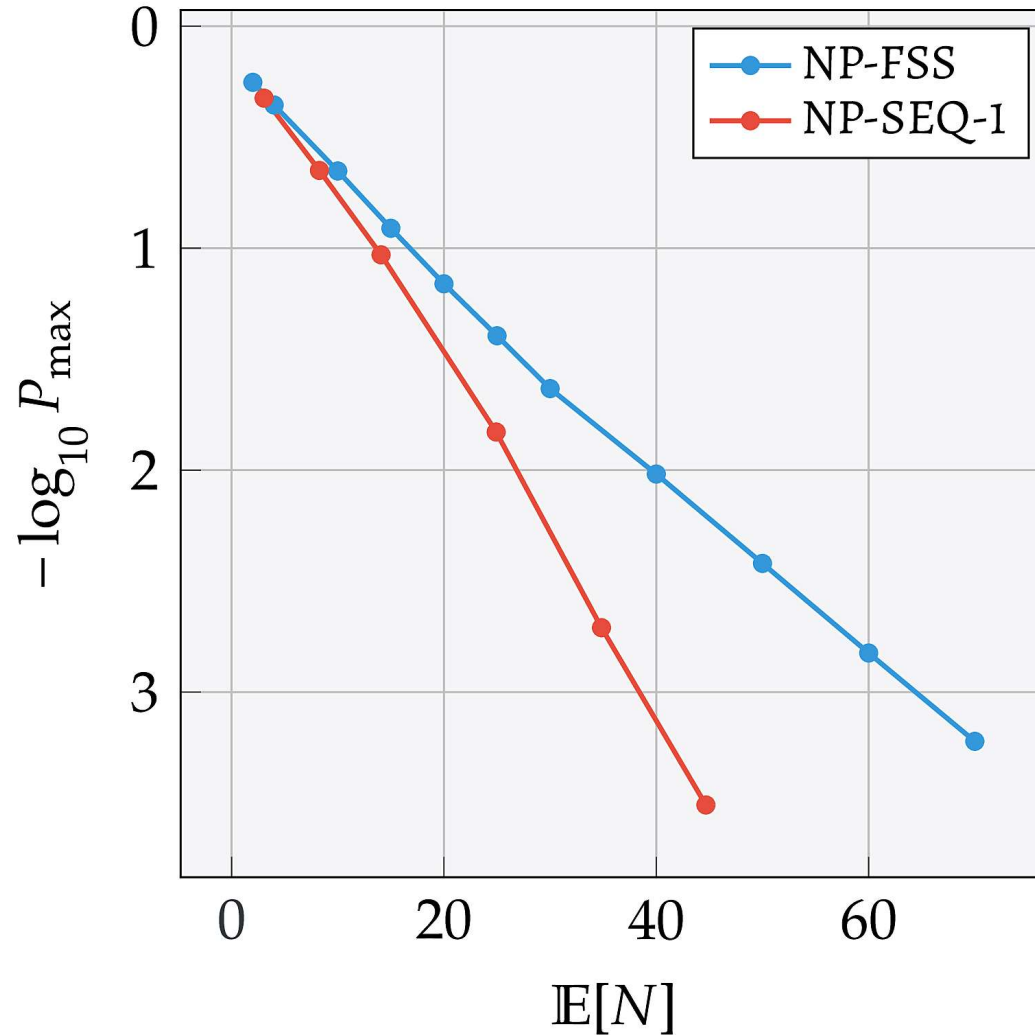
$$E_i[N] \leq -\frac{32 \log P_{\max}}{MMD^4(p, q)}$$



# Proof outline: Single Anomaly Case

- Finite stopping proof
  - Exponential bound  $P_i[N \geq n]$  for  $n > n_0$
- Error bound
  - Split into two terms
  - Error when  $N > n_0$ , Error when  $N \leq n_0$
  - Goes to 0 as  $C \rightarrow \infty$
- $E \left[ \left| \frac{N}{C} - \frac{1}{MMD^2(p,q)} \right| \right] \rightarrow 0$  as  $C \rightarrow \infty$
- Combine above results to get exponential consistency

# Simulation Results: Single Anomaly

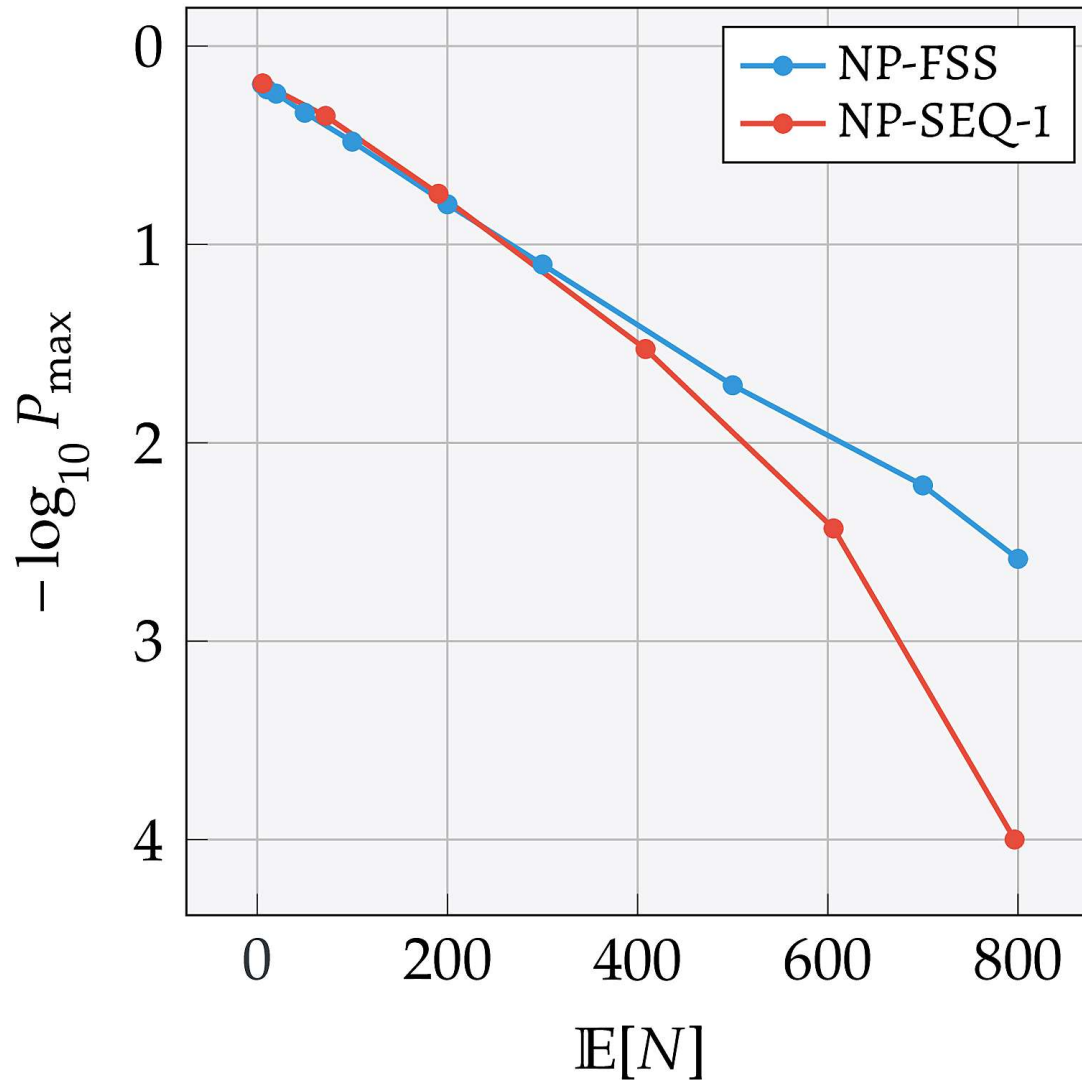


- 5 streams
- $N(0,1)$  and  $N(1.2,1)$

Threshold  $\frac{c}{n}$

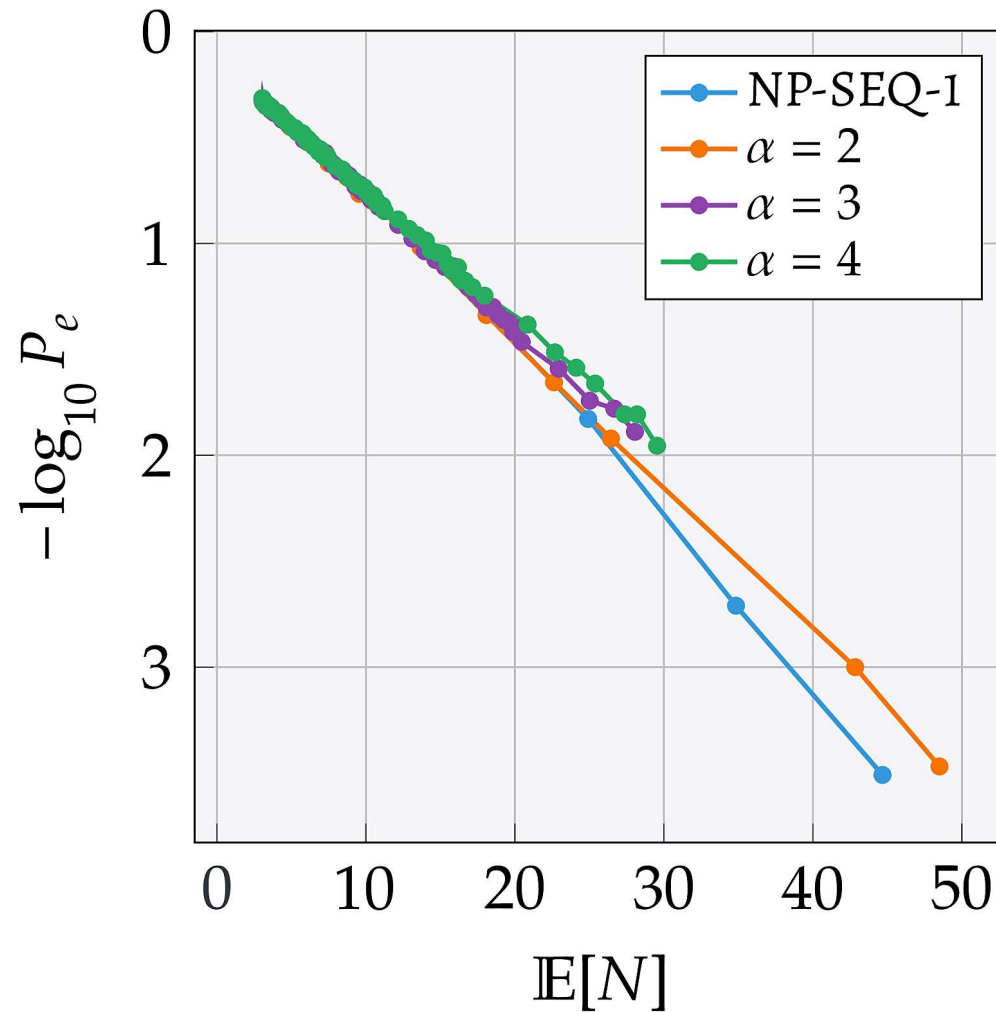
- NP-FSS: Zou 2017
- NP-SEQ-1: Proposed
- Universal exponential consistency

# Simulation Results: Single Anomaly



- 5 streams
- $N(0,1)$  and  $L(0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$
- Distributions are closer in this case

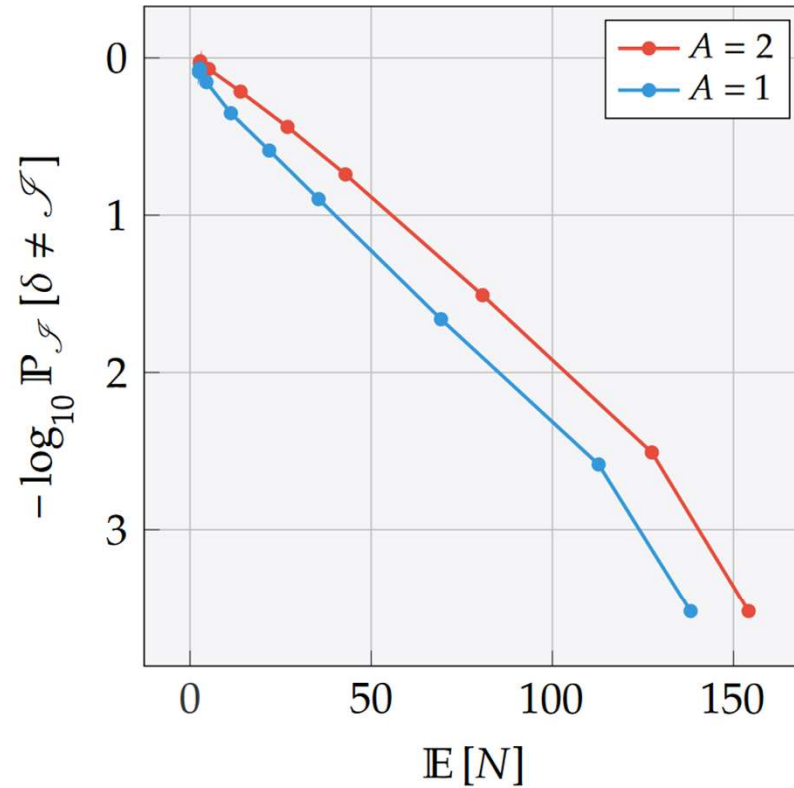
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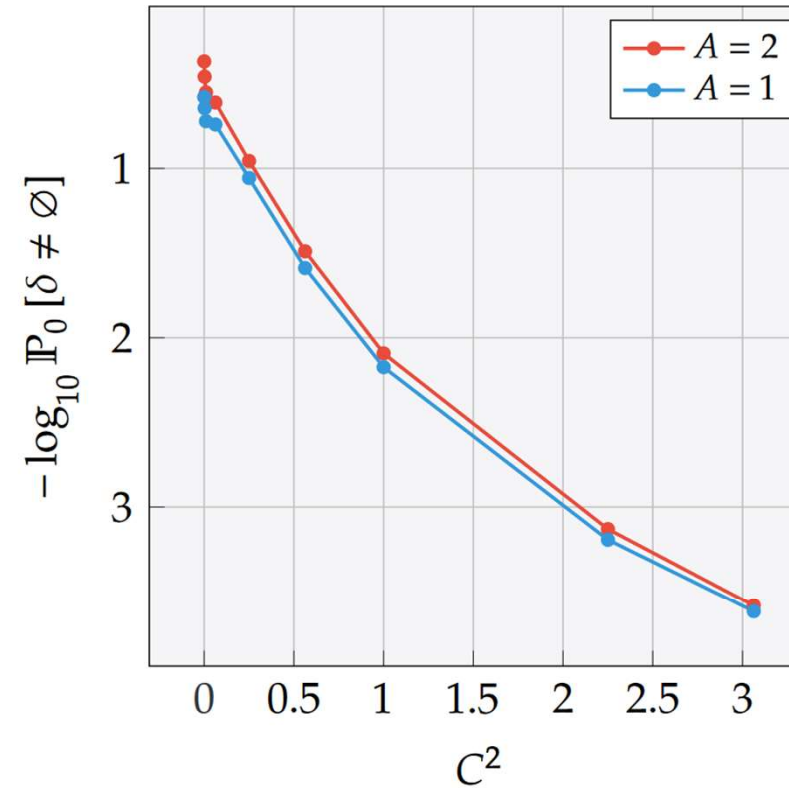
- 5 streams
- $N(0,1)$  and  $N(1.2,1)$
- Higher alpha reduces the threshold faster

Threshold  $\frac{C}{n^\alpha}$

# Simulation Results: $0 \leq L \leq A$



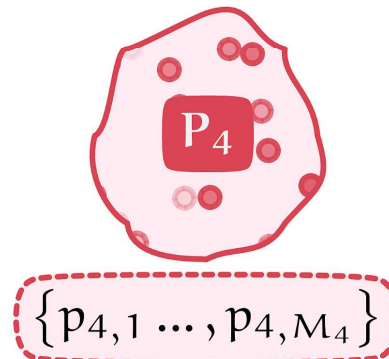
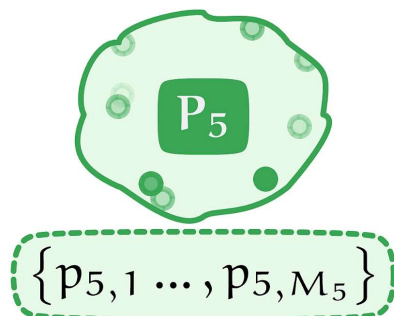
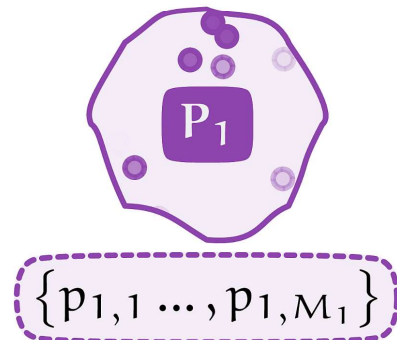
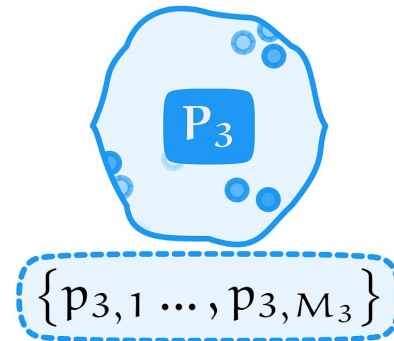
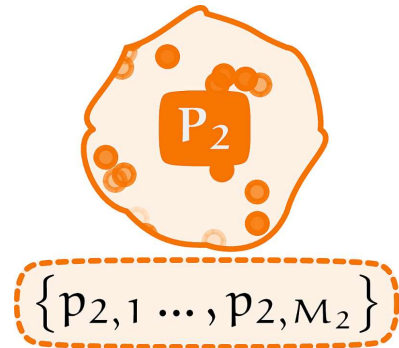
a) Missed-detection error



b) False-alarm error

- 5 streams
- $N(0,1)$  and  $N(1.2,1)$

# Clustering



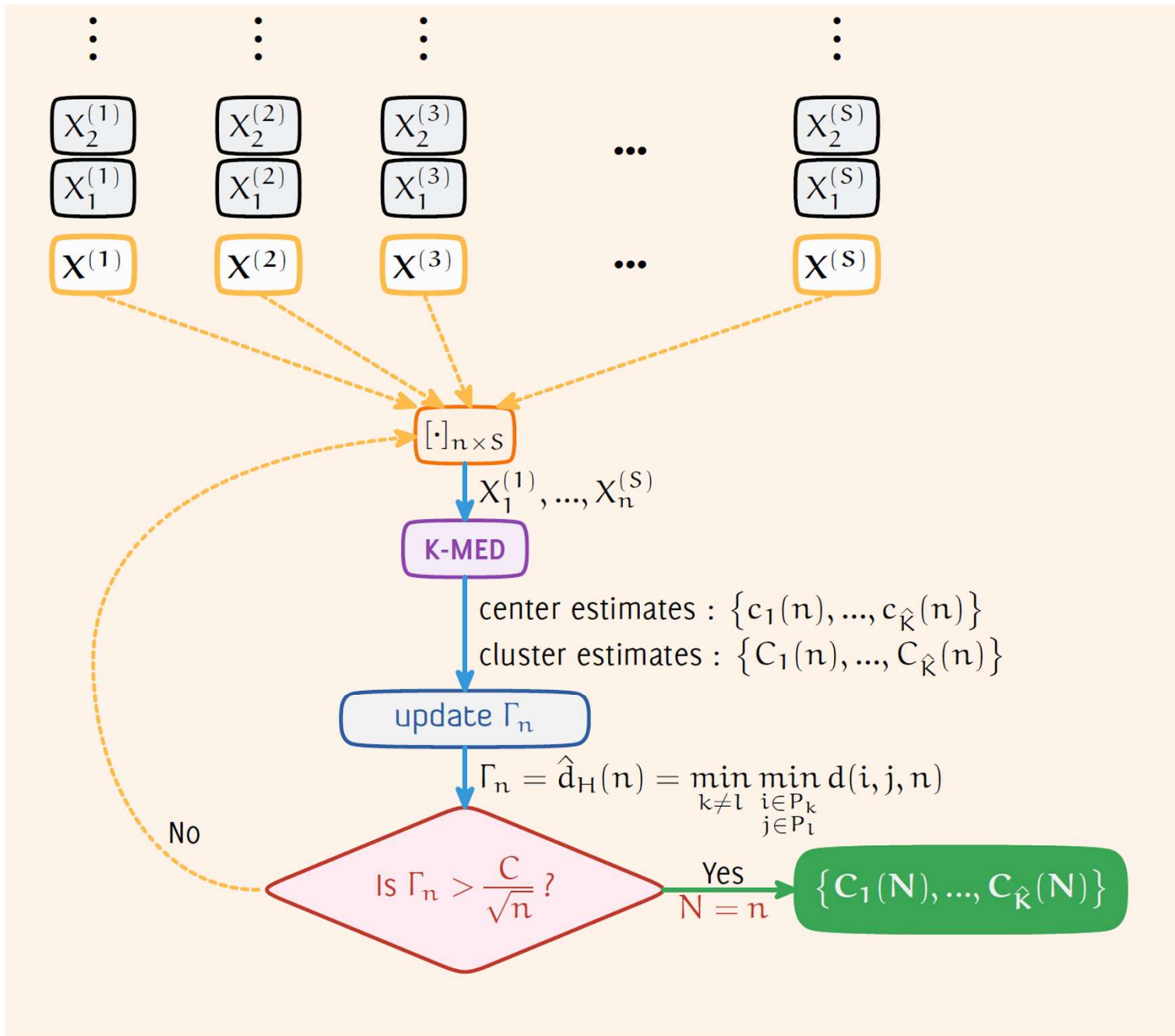
- $S$  data streams
- $K$  clusters
- $M_k$  distributions in cluster  $k$

# FSS Non-parametric Clustering

- Use pairwise distances (MMD/KSD)
- Cluster based on k-medoid clustering
  - Number of clusters  $K$  known (K-MED)
  - Number of clusters  $K$  unknown
- Steps
  - Center and Cluster initialization
  - Update till convergence
- Universal exponential consistency ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ )

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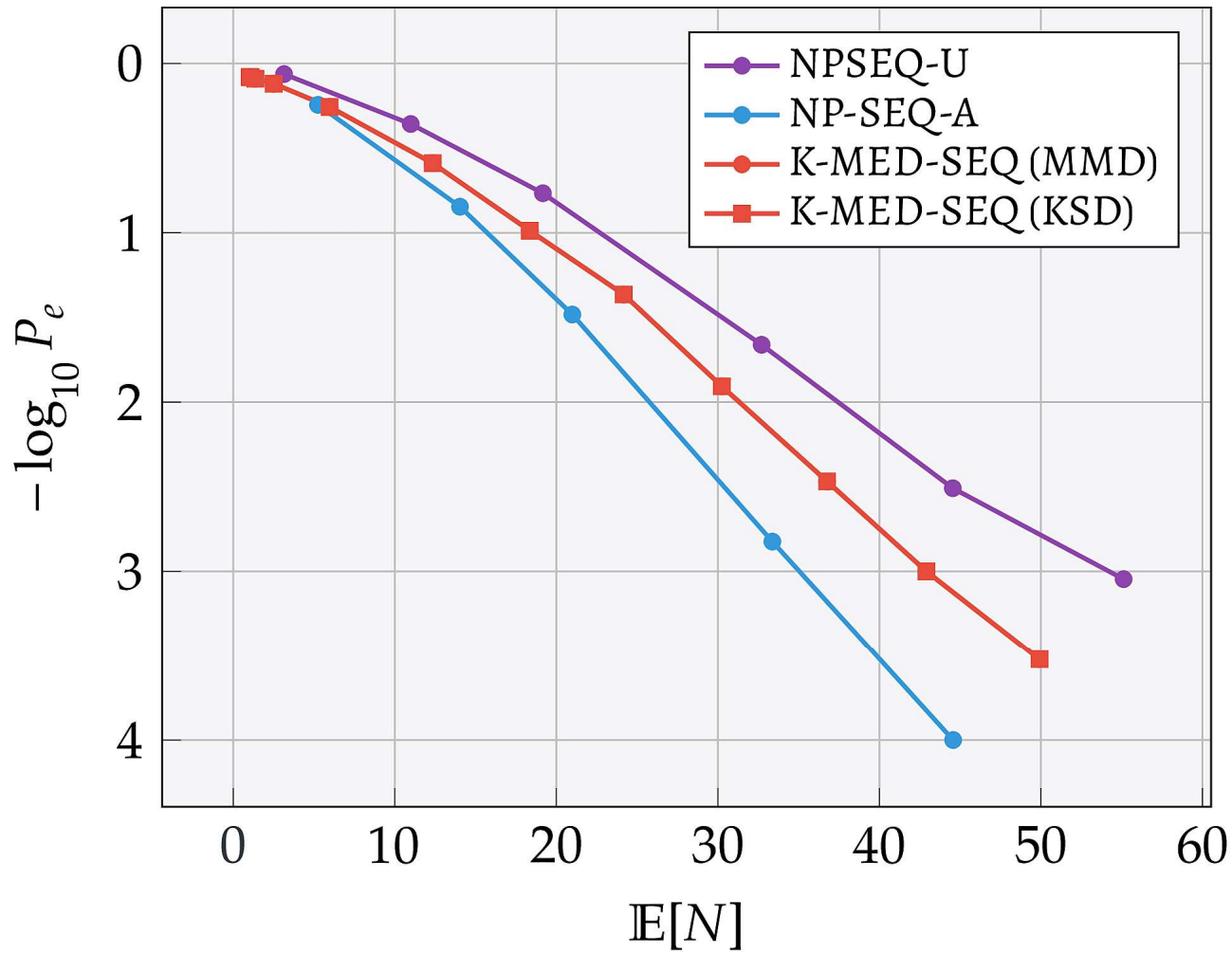
# Our Work: Sequential Clustering



- Threshold on empirical minimum inter-cluster distance

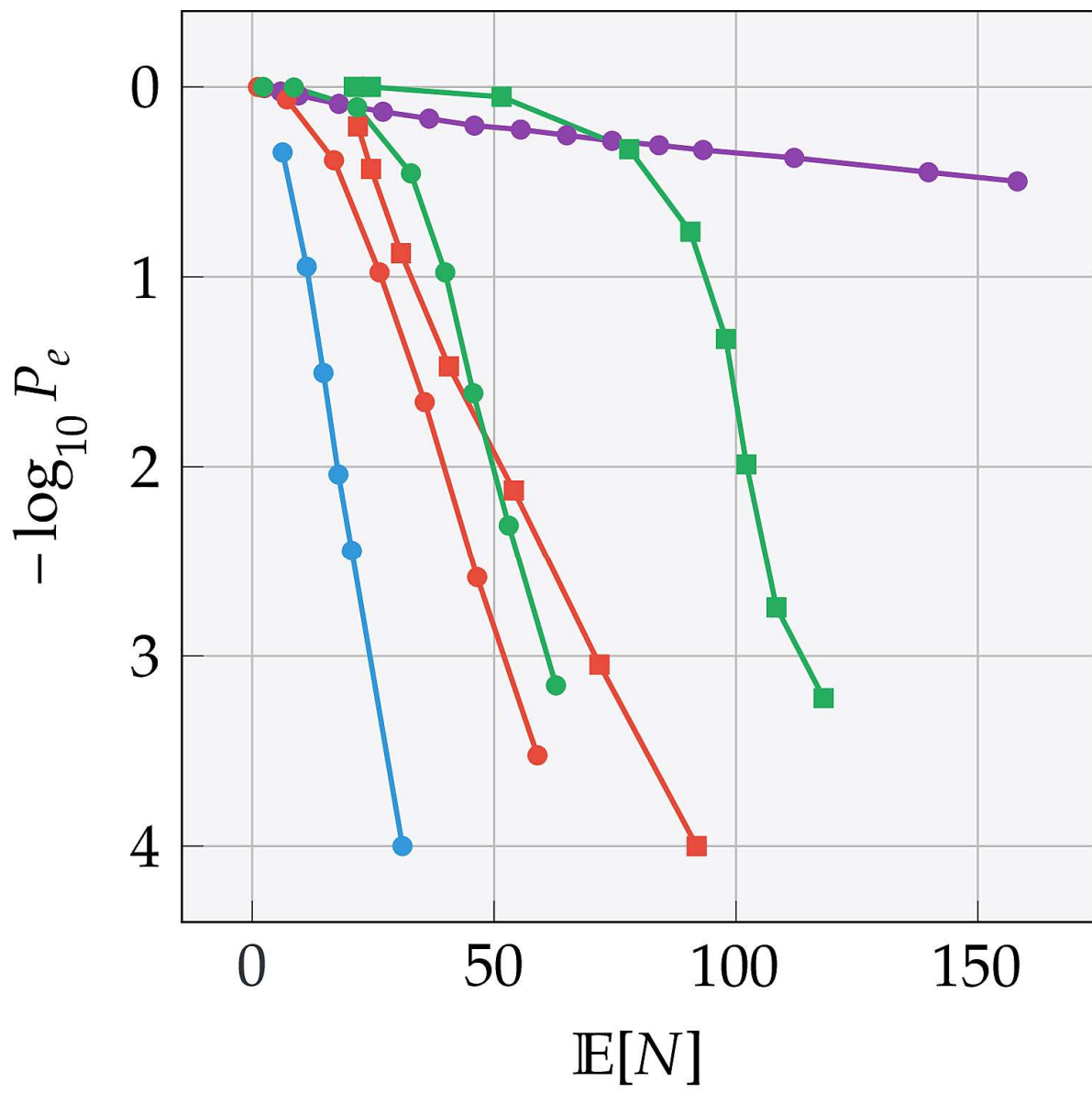


# Multiple Anomalies



- $S = 5$  data streams
- $A = 2$
- $N(0,1)$  and  $N(1.2,1)$
- NP-SEQ-A: Known A
- NP-SEQ-U: Unknown A

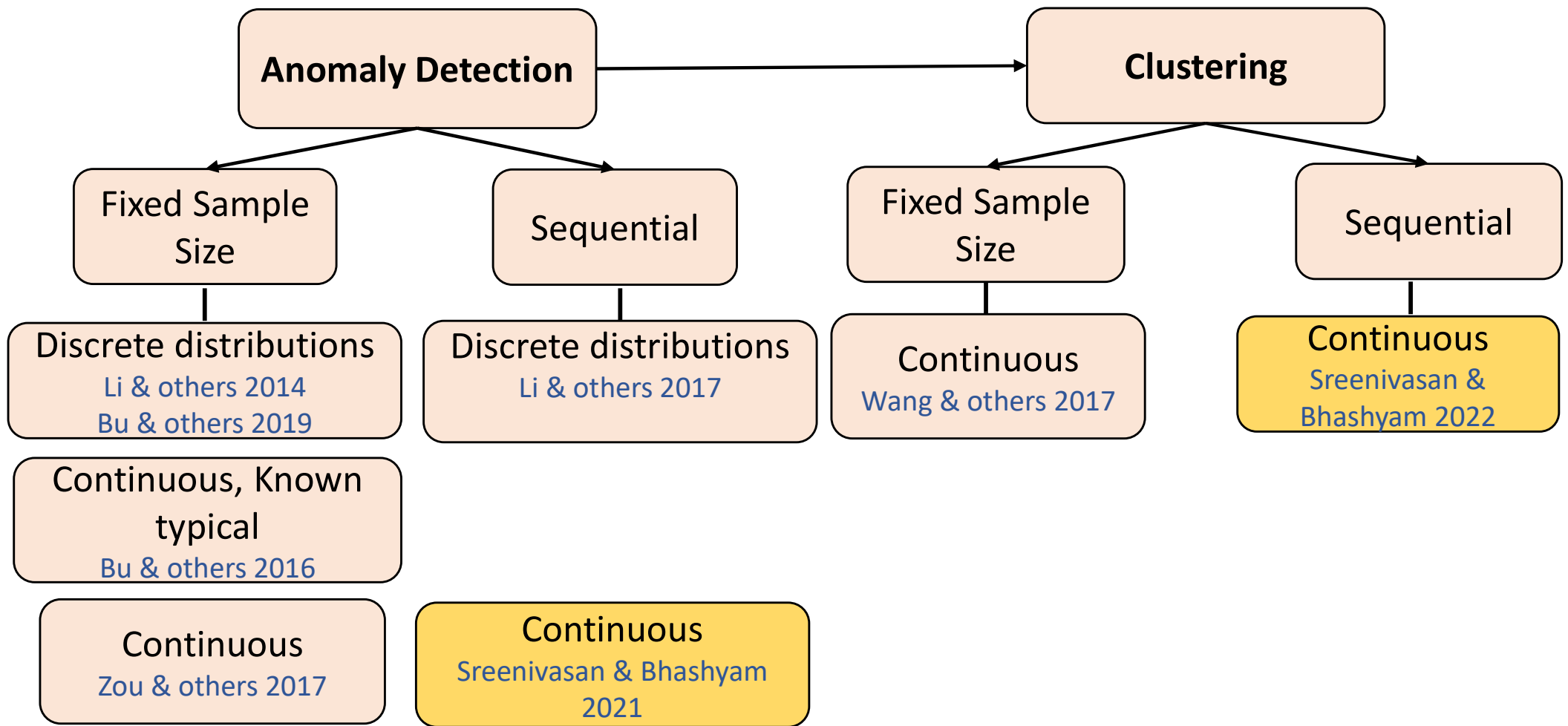
# Multiple Distinct Anomalies



- NP-SEQ-MD
- NP-SEQ-UD
- K-MED-SEQ (MMD)
- K-MED-SEQ (KSD)
- K-MED-SEQ merge (MMD)
- K-MED-SEQ merge (KSD)

- $S = 10$  data streams
- $A = 4$
- $N(0,1)$  and  $\{N(1.2,1), N(2,1), N(3,1), N(4,1)\}$
- Need more than 2 clusters for this problem

# Summary



- Universally consistent sequential tests for anomaly detection and clustering

# Extensions/Current Work

- More general cases
  - $d_L > d_H$ , for both FSS and Sequential settings
  - Higher dimensional observations
- Clustering with bandit feedback/controlled sampling
- Lower complexity methods
- More than consistency
  - Error exponent and optimality