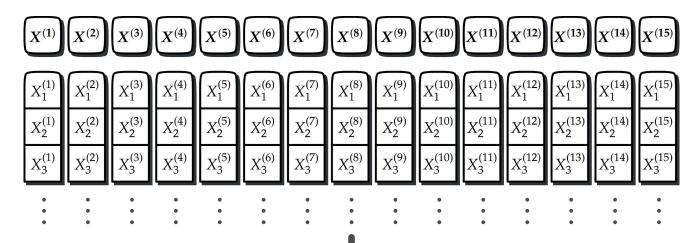
### Sequential Clustering of Data Streams from Unknown Distributions

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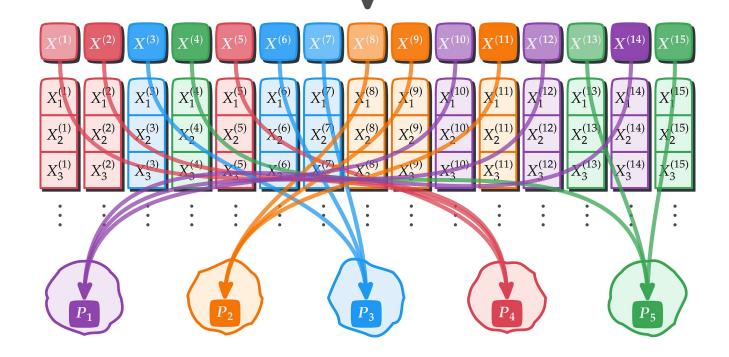
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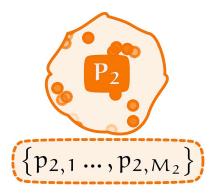
# **Clustering of Data Streams**

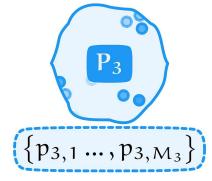


- Each stream of i.i.d. samples can be from a different distribution
- Need to cluster based on underlying distributions
- Unknown distributions

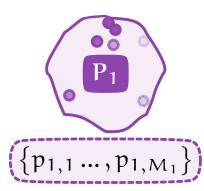


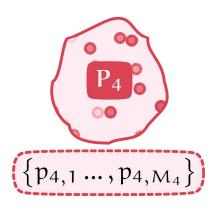
# Clustering

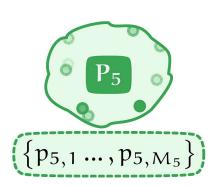




- S data streams
- K clusters
- *M<sub>k</sub>* distributions in cluster *k*







# **Comparing distributions/data streams**

- Known set distributions, unknown indices
  - Likelihood-based rule
- Unknown distributions + Parametric model for distributions
  - Generalized likelihood instead of likelihood
  - Parameters estimated under each hypothesis and plugged into likelihood
- Unknown distributions, Nonparametric
  - Estimated distances
    - KL divergence
    - Maximum Mean Discrepancy (MMD)
    - Kolmogorov-Smirnov Distance (KSD)

# **Comparing distributions/data streams**

- MMD and KSD
  - Estimates based on the observed samples
  - Estimates that converge to true distance
  - Sequential updates possible

# 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

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

$$M_b(i,j,n) = \left[\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{l,m} \left(k(x_{il}, x_{im}) + k(x_{jl}, x_{jm}) - k(x_{il}, x_{jm}) - k(x_{jl}, x_{im})\right)\right]^{1/2}$$

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

$$P\left[|M_b(i,j,n) - \mathsf{MMD}(p,q)| > 4\sqrt{\frac{K}{n}} + \epsilon\right] \le 2\exp\left(-\frac{n\epsilon^2}{4K}\right)$$

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### **MMD** sequential update

Sequential update with O(n) computations

$$M_b^2(i,j,n) = \left[ \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^2 M_b^2(i,j,n-1) + \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \sum_{l=1}^n h(x_{il}, x_{in}, x_{jl}, x_{jn}) + \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} h(x_{in}, x_{im}, x_{jn}, x_{jm}) \right) \right]$$

$$h(x_{il}, x_{im}, x_{jl}, x_{jm}) = k(x_{il}, x_{im}) + k(x_{jl}, x_{jm}) - k(x_{il}, x_{jm}) - k(x_{jl}, x_{im})$$

### **KS Distance**

$$\mathrm{KS}(p,q) = \sup_{a \in R} \left| F_p(a) - F_q(a) \right|$$

Estimate

$$\mathrm{KS}(i,j,n) = \sup_{a \in R} \left| \widehat{F}_i^{(n)}(a) - \widehat{F}_j^{(n)}(a) \right|$$

Sequential update

$$\widehat{F}_{i}^{(n)}(a) = \frac{n-1}{n} \widehat{F}_{i}^{(n-1)}(a) + \frac{1}{n} I_{(-\infty,a]}(x_{in})$$

### **KS Distance: Convergence of estimate**

$$KS(p,q) = \sup_{a \in R} |F_p(a) - F_q(a)|$$

$$P[|\mathrm{KS}(i,j,n) - \mathrm{KS}(p,q)| > \epsilon] \le 4 \exp\left(-\frac{n\epsilon^2}{2}\right)$$

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### Performance

- Fixed Sample Size (FSS) setting
  - Probability of error vs number of samples
- Sequential (SEQ) setting
  - Probability of error vs expected number of samples
- Performance metrics
  - Universal consistency
  - Universal exponential consistency
  - Error Exponent

# **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  $(n \rightarrow \infty)$

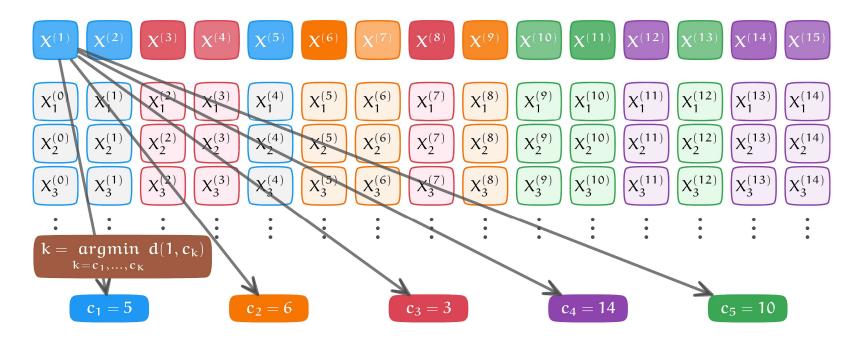
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# **K-Medoids Clustering (KMED)**

- Compute Pairwise distances
- Center initialization
  - First center: Pick a random stream initially
  - Pick next center that has maximum minimum distance to already chosen centers
  - Repeat

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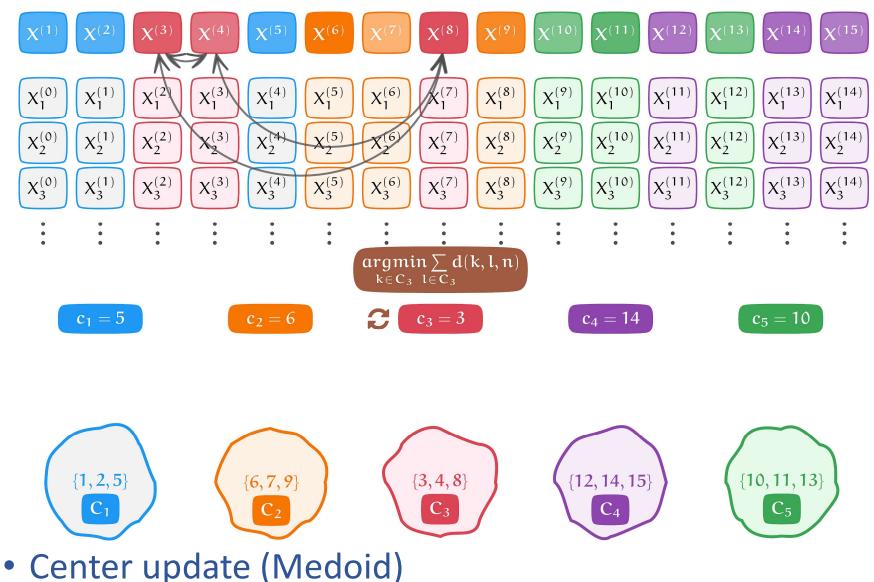
### **K-Medoids Clustering**





Assign each stream to cluster with closest center

# **K-Medoids Clustering**



### **K-Medoids Clustering**

- Repeat cluster and center update until convergence
- Performance

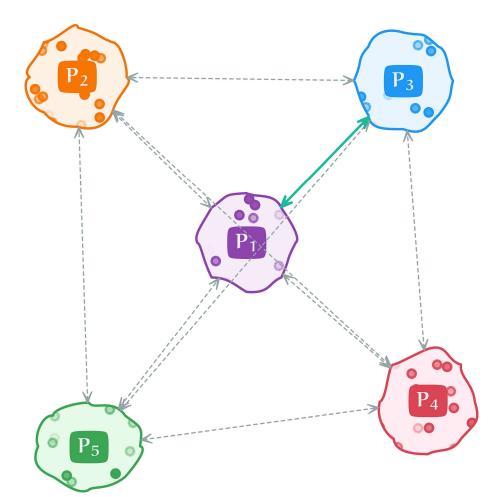
$$P_e \leq M^2 (4T+8) \exp\left(-\frac{n\Delta_{\rm mmd}^2}{64K}\right)$$

$$\Delta_{\rm mmd} = d_H - d_L$$

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# **Assumptions (for the analysis)**

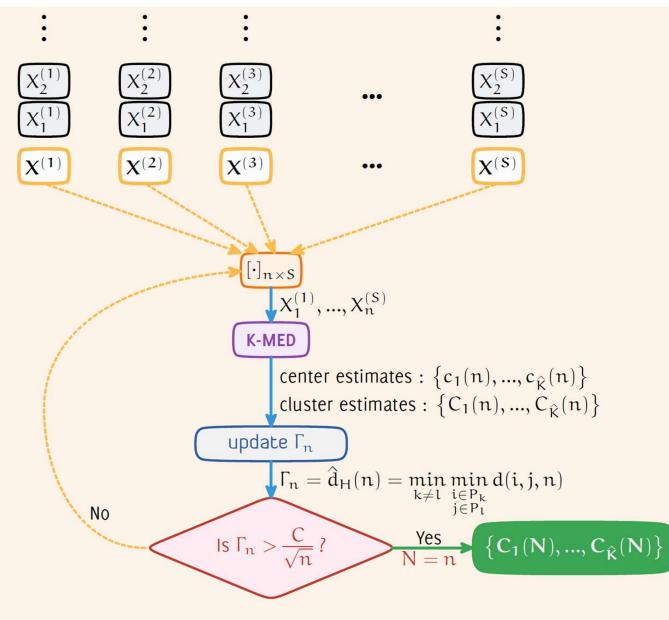
- Minimum inter-cluster distance  $d_H$
- Maximum intra-cluster distance  $d_L < d_H$



# **FSS Non-parametric Clustering**

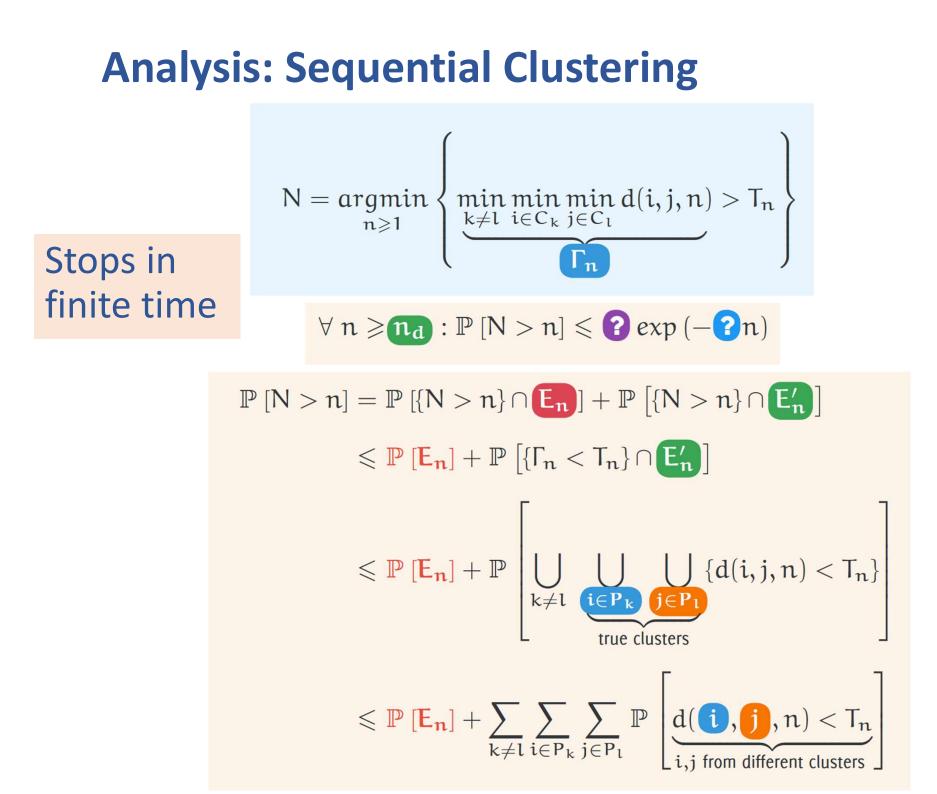
- Unknown number of clusters
- Need to know something about  $d_H$  and  $d_L$
- Two variants of KMED
  - KMED-MERGE
    - Generate enough centers so that each stream is close enough to a center
    - Merge clusters whose centers are close
  - KMED-SPLIT
    - Begin with one cluster
    - Split cluster if a sequence has a large distance from center
- These variants are also exponentially consistent

#### **Our Work: Sequential Clustering**



- Need a stopping rule
- Threshold on empirical minimum inter-cluster distance
- Sequential updates for pairwise distances
- Analysis for consistency

Sreeram C. Sreenivasan, Srikrishna Bhashyam, Nonparametric Sequential Clustering of Data Streams with Composite Distributions, Signal Processing, Volume 204, March 2023.



#### **Analysis: Error probability**

 $P_e = \mathbb{P}[E]$  for a configuration  $\{P_1, ..., P_K\}$ 

$$\mathsf{E} = \left\{ \underbrace{\left\{ C_1(N), ..., C_{\widehat{\mathsf{K}}(N)}(N) \right\}}_{\text{clustering output}} \neq \{\mathsf{P}_1, ..., \mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{K}}\} \right\}$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{\max} = \max_{\{\mathbf{P}_1,\dots,\mathbf{P}_K\}} \mathbf{P}_e$$

 $\forall C \geq C_d : P_e \leq \bigcirc \exp(-\bigcirc C^2)$ 

Consistency 
$$\lim_{C \to \infty} P_{\max} = 0$$

#### **Analysis: Universal Consistency**

$$\mathbb{P}[\mathsf{E}] = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}[\mathsf{N} = \mathsf{n}, \mathbf{E}_{\mathsf{n}}]$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{n_d} \mathbb{P}[\mathsf{N} = \mathsf{n}, \mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{n}}] + \sum_{n>n_d}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}[\mathsf{N} = \mathsf{n}, \mathbf{E}_{\mathsf{n}}]$$

$$\leqslant \sum_{n>n_d}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}[\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{n}}] + \sum_{n=1}^{n_d} \mathbb{P}[\mathsf{N} = \mathsf{n}, \mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{n}}]$$

$$= \sum_{n>n_d}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}[\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{n}}] + \sum_{n=1}^{n_d} \mathbb{P}\left[\left\{\min_{\substack{\mathbf{i} \in \mathsf{C}_{\mathsf{N}} \ \mathbf{j} \in \mathsf{C}^{\mathsf{C}}}}\min_{\substack{\mathbf{j} \in \mathsf{C}^{\mathsf{C}} \ \mathbf{j} \in \mathsf{C}^{\mathsf{C}}}}\mathsf{KS}(\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{j}, \mathsf{n}) > \mathsf{T}_{\mathsf{n}} \forall \mathsf{k}, \mathsf{l}\right\}\right]$$

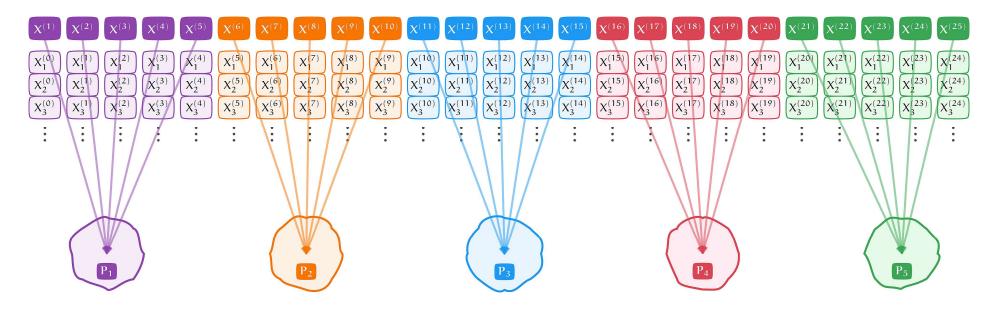
$$\leqslant \sum_{n>n_d}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}[\mathsf{E}_{\mathsf{n}}] + \sum_{n=1}^{n_d} \mathbb{P}\left[\left\{\operatorname{d}(\mathsf{i}, \mathsf{j}, \mathsf{n}) > \mathsf{T}_{\mathsf{n}}\right\}\right]$$

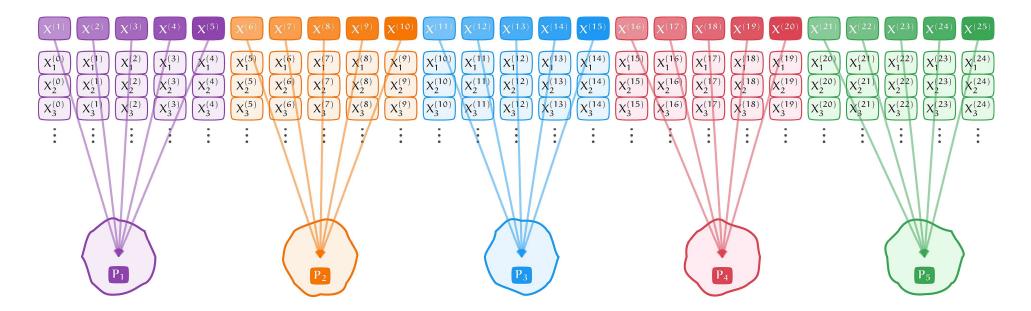
#### **Analysis: Exponential Consistency**

#### Proper choice of and Ca

$$\mathbb{E}\left[N\right] \leqslant -\frac{B^2}{d_H^2} \log P_e(1+o(1))$$

### **Simulation Setting**

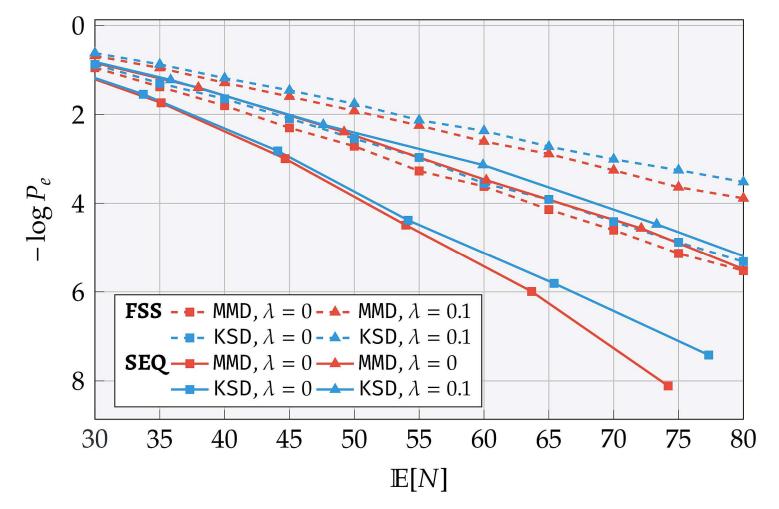




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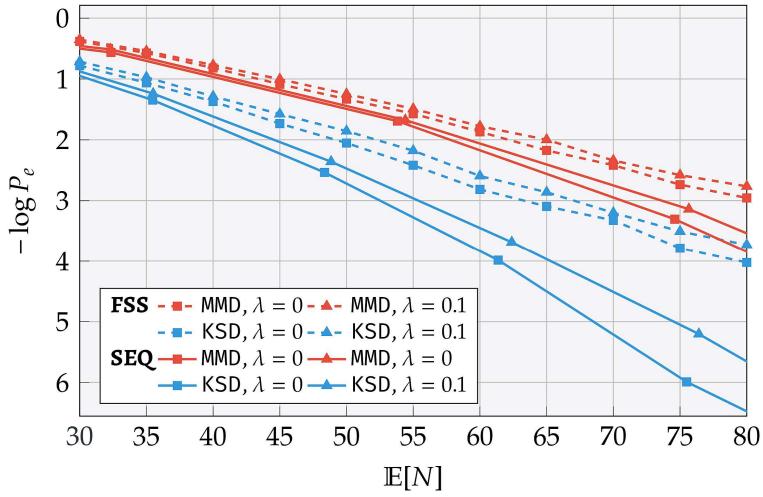
	Gaussian $\mathcal{N}(\mu, 1)$		Gamma $\Gamma(\mu, 1)$	
	$\lambda = 0$	$\lambda = 0.1$	$\lambda = 0$	$\lambda = 0.1$
P <sub>1</sub>	{0}	$\{-0.1, -0.05, 0.0, 0.05, 0.1\}$	{1.0}	$\{0.9, 0.95, 1.0, 1.05, 1.1\}$
P <sub>2</sub>	<b>{1}</b>	$\{0.9, 0.95, 1.0, 1.05, 1.1\}$	{3.5}	{3.4, 3.45, 3.5, 3.55, 3.6}
<b>P</b> <sub>3</sub>	{2}	$\{1.9, 1.95, 2.0, 2.05, 2.1\}$	{6.0}	{5.9, 5.95, 6.0, 6.05, 6.1}
P <sub>4</sub>	{3}	$\{2.9, 2.95, 3.0, 3.05, 3.1\}$	{8.5}	{8.4, 8.45, 8.5, 8.55, 8.6}
<b>P</b> <sub>5</sub>	{4}	$\{3.9, 3.95, 4.0, 4.05, 4.1\}$	{11.0}	{10.9, 10.95, 11.0, 11.05, 11.1}

### **Results: Known number of clusters**



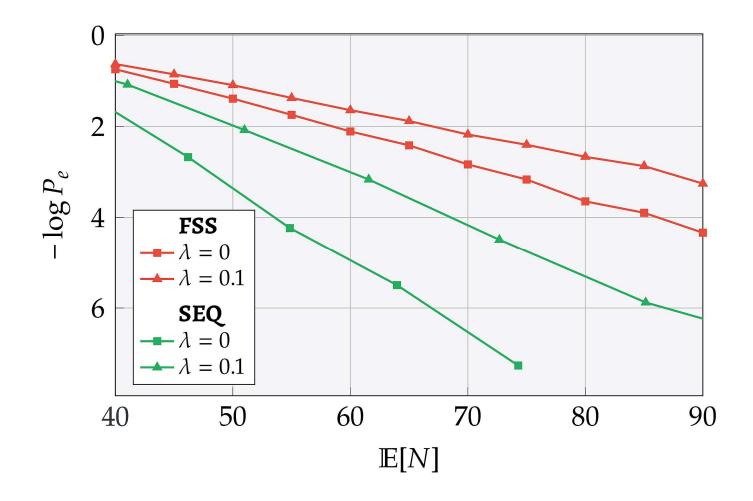
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- Fewer samples required than FSS clustering on average

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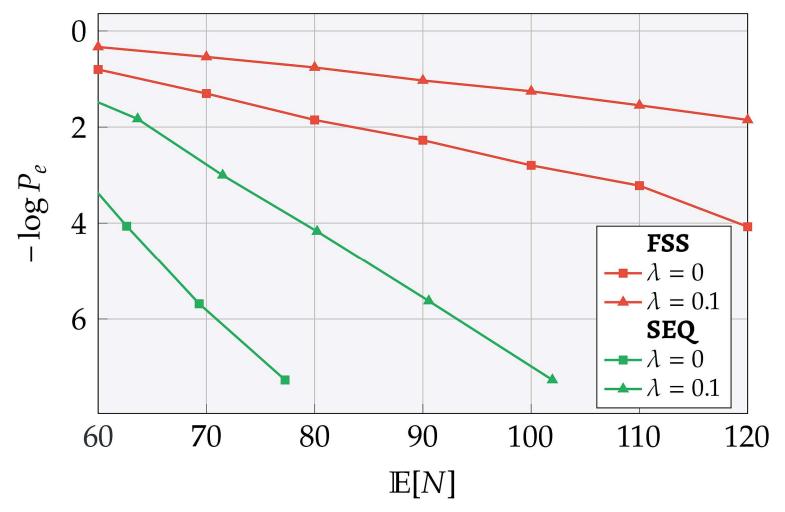
- Gamma distributions case: KSD better than MMD
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### **Results: Unknown number of clusters**



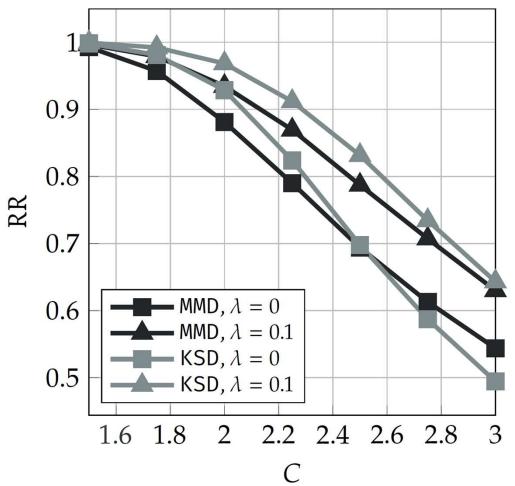
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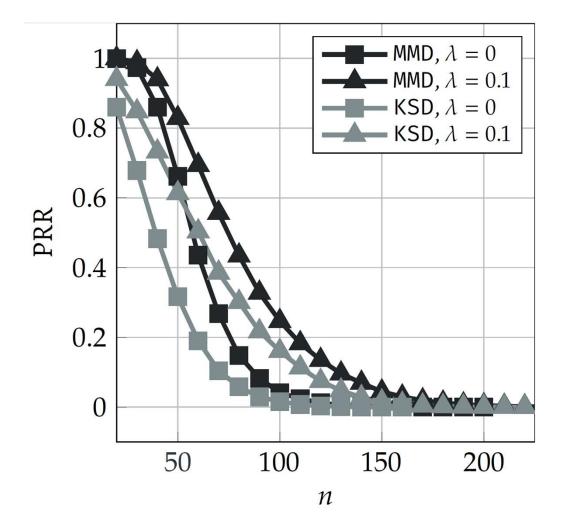
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# **Cluster initialization update**



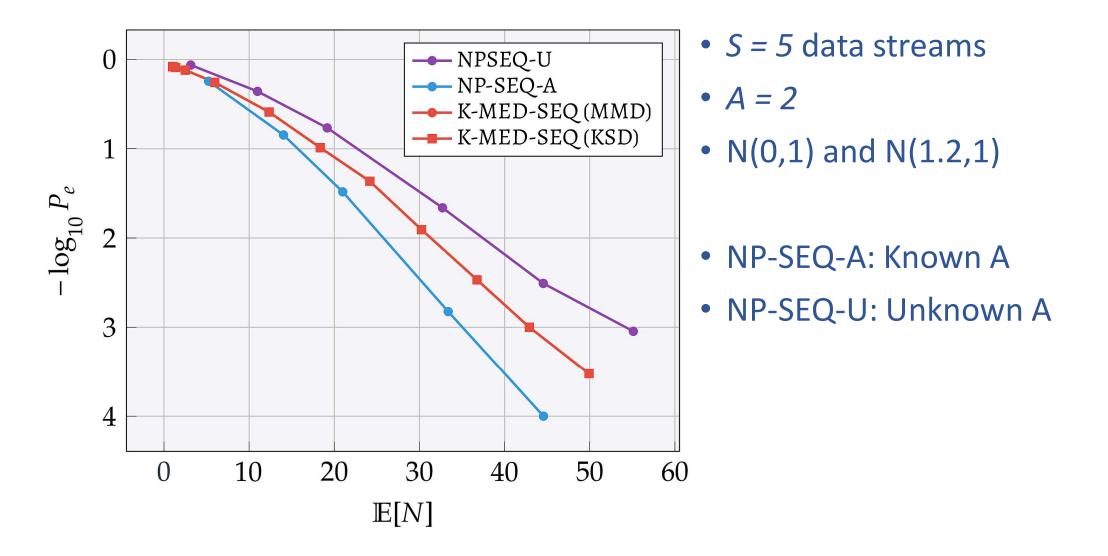
- Reuse cluster output from previous time as initialization
- Computational savings
- RR: Redo ratio

### **Cluster initialization update**

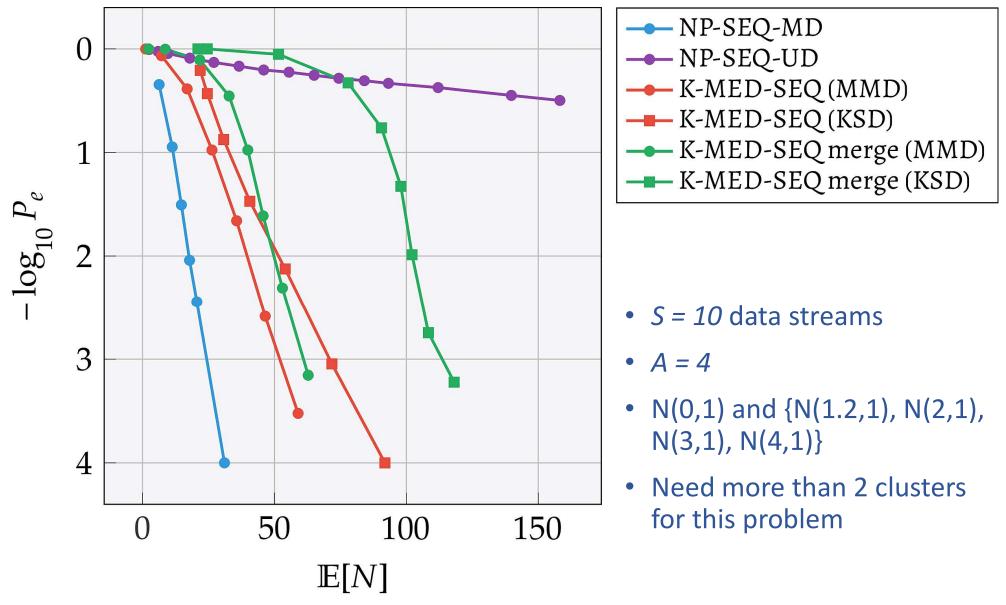


 Fraction of realizations where re-initialization is done at time n

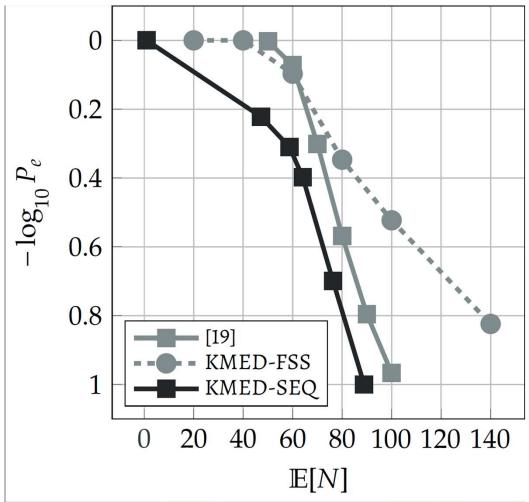
### **Special case: Multiple Anomalies**



### **Special case: Multiple Distinct Anomalies**



### **Discrete distributions**



MMD-based vs KL divergence-based

Y. Bu, S. Zou and V. V. Veeravalli, "Linear-Complexity Exponentially-Consistent Tests for Universal Outlying Sequence Detection," in IEEE Transactions on Signal Processing, vol. 67, no. 8, pp. 2115-2128, 15 April15, 2019.

#### Linkage-based clustering

- Linkage-based hierarchical clustering algorithms
- Exponential consistency under the  $d_L < d_H$  assumption
- Possible improvement
  - Maximum intra-cluster nearest neighbour distance instead of  $d_L$

Tiexing Wang, Yang Liu, and Biao Chen, "On exponentially consistency of linkage-based hierarchical clustering algorithm using Kolmogrov-Smirnov distance," in ICASSP 2020, pp. 3997–4001.

#### Summary

- Nonparametric sequential clustering of data streams
- Universal consistency

