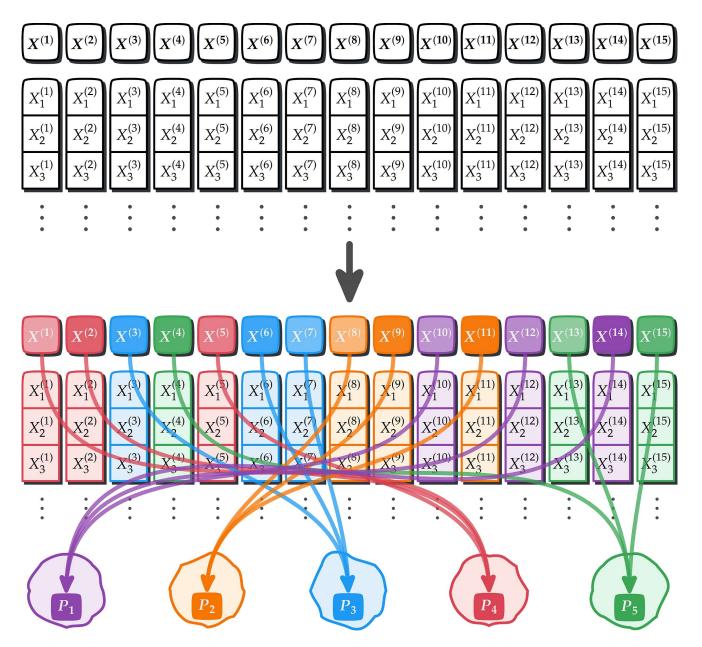
Sequential Clustering of Data Streams from Unknown Distributions

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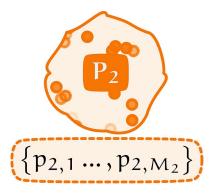
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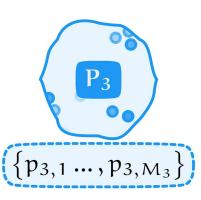
Clustering of Data Streams



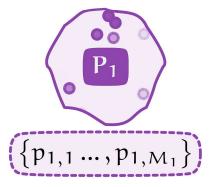
- Each stream of i.i.d.
 samples can be from a different distribution
- Need to cluster based on underlying distributions
- Unknown distributions

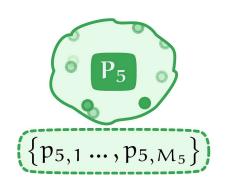
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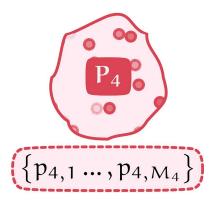




- S data streams
- K clusters
- M_k distributions in cluster k







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 $n \to \infty$

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

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MMD sequential update

Sequential update with O(n) computations

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

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

KS Distance

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

Estimate

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

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

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

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

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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 $(n \to \infty)$

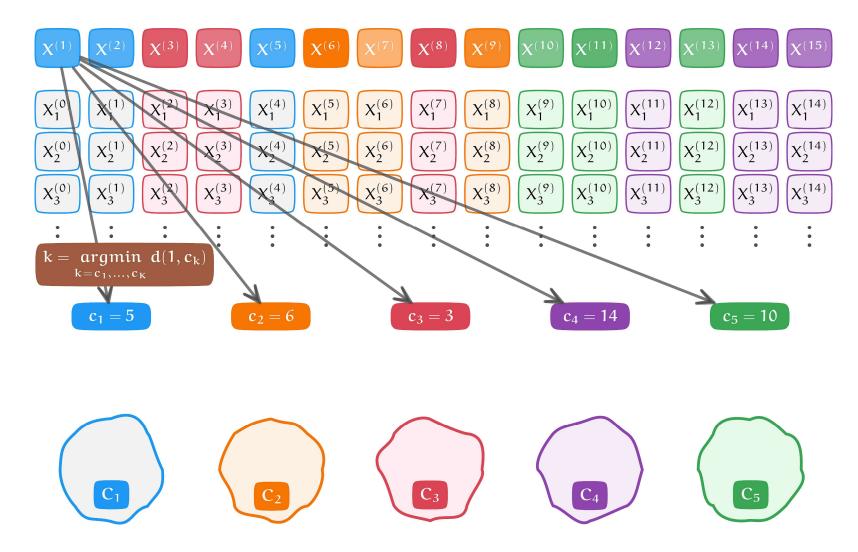
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K-Medoids Clustering (KMED)

- 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

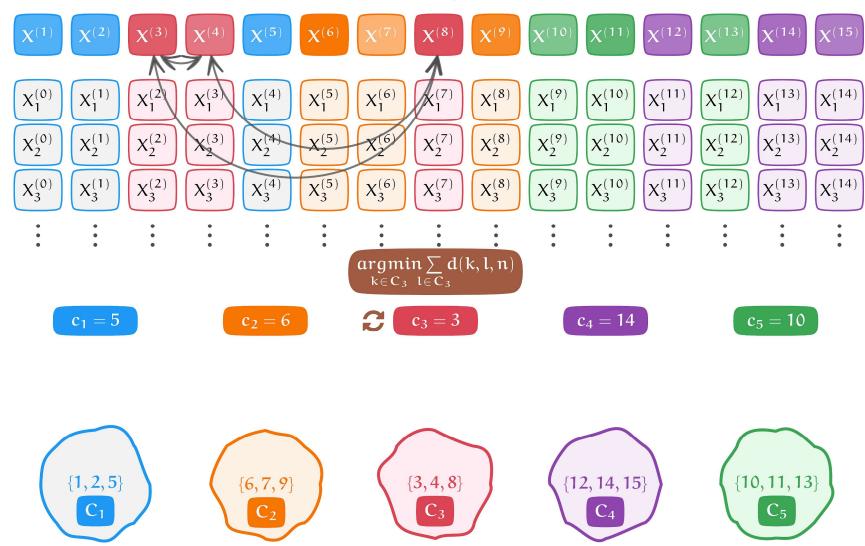
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K-Medoids Clustering



Assign each stream to cluster with closest center

K-Medoids Clustering



Center update (Medoid)

K-Medoids Clustering

- Repeat cluster and center update until convergence
- Performance

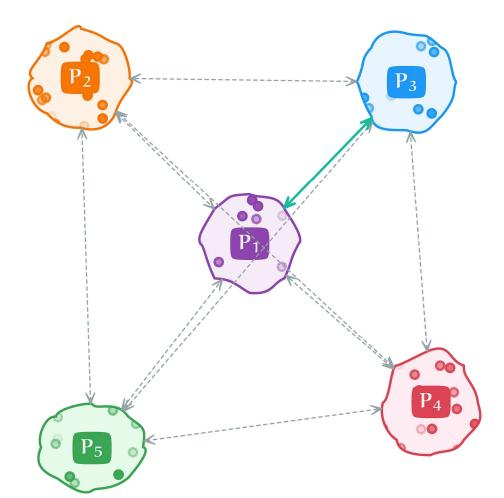
$$P_e \le M^2 (4T + 8) \exp\left(-\frac{n\Delta_{\text{mmd}}^2}{64K}\right)$$

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

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Assumptions (for the analysis)

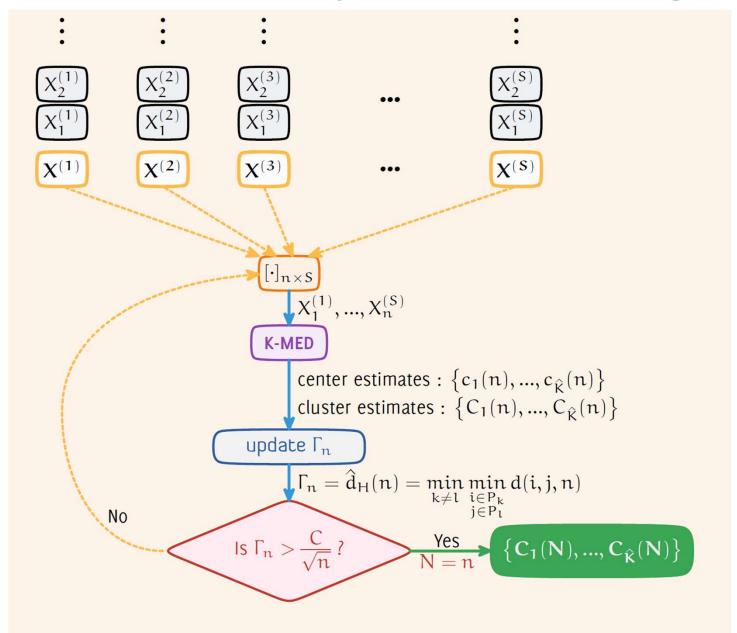
- Minimum inter-cluster distance d_H
- Maximum intra-cluster distance $d_L < d_H$



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

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Analysis: Sequential Clustering

$$N = \underset{n\geqslant 1}{\text{argmin}} \left\{ \underbrace{\underset{k\neq l}{\text{min}} \underset{i\in C_k}{\text{min}} \underset{j\in C_l}{\text{min}} d(i,j,n)} > T_n \right\}$$

Stops in finite time

$$\forall n \geq n_d : \mathbb{P}[N > n] \leq (2 \exp(-2n))$$

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}\left[N>n\right] &= \mathbb{P}\left[\{N>n\} \cap \textbf{E}_{\textbf{n}}\right] + \mathbb{P}\left[\{N>n\} \cap \textbf{E}_{\textbf{n}}'\right] \\ &\leqslant \mathbb{P}\left[\textbf{E}_{\textbf{n}}\right] + \mathbb{P}\left[\{\Gamma_{\textbf{n}} < T_{\textbf{n}}\} \cap \textbf{E}_{\textbf{n}}'\right] \\ &\leqslant \mathbb{P}\left[\textbf{E}_{\textbf{n}}\right] + \mathbb{P}\left[\bigcup_{k \neq l} \bigcup_{\textbf{j} \in P_{k}} \{d(\textbf{i},\textbf{j},\textbf{n}) < T_{\textbf{n}}\}\right] \\ &\leqslant \mathbb{P}\left[\textbf{E}_{\textbf{n}}\right] + \sum_{k \neq l} \sum_{\textbf{i} \in P_{k}} \sum_{\textbf{j} \in P_{l}} \mathbb{P}\left[\bigcup_{\textbf{i},\textbf{j} \text{ from different clusters}}\right] \end{split}$$

Analysis: Error probability

$$\mathsf{E} = \left\{\underbrace{\left\{C_1(\mathsf{N}), ..., C_{\widehat{\mathsf{K}}(\mathsf{N})}(\mathsf{N})\right\}}_{\text{clustering output}} \neq \{P_1, ..., P_K\}\right\} \\ \mathbf{P_{max}} = \max_{\{P_1, ..., P_K\}} \mathbf{P_{e}}$$

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

$$P_{max} = \max_{\{P_1, \dots, P_K\}} P_e$$

$$\forall \ C \geqslant C_d : P_e \leqslant \ref{eq:c2} \exp\left(-\ref{eq:c2}\right)$$

Consistency

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

Analysis: Universal Consistency

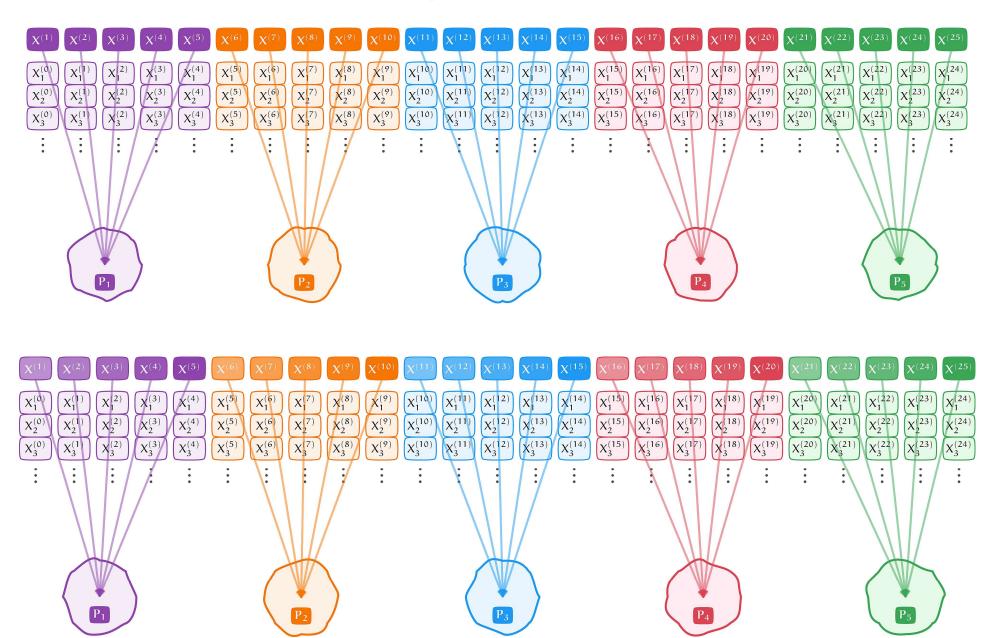
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Analysis: Exponential Consistency

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



Simulation Setting

Gaussian $\mathcal{N}(\mu, 1)$

Gamma $\Gamma(\mu, 1)$

$$\lambda = 0$$

{0}

{1}

{4}

$$\lambda = 0.1$$

$$\lambda = 0$$

$$\lambda = 0.1$$

 $\{-0.1, -0.05, 0.0, 0.05, 0.1\}$

 $\{0.9, 0.95, 1.0, 1.05, 1.1\}$

P₂

 $\{0.9, 0.95, 1.0, 1.05, 1.1\}$

 ${3.4, 3.45, 3.5, 3.55, 3.6}$

 P_3

{2} $\{1.9, 1.95, 2.0, 2.05, 2.1\}$

 $\{5.9, 5.95, 6.0, 6.05, 6.1\}$

 P_4

 $\{2.9, 2.95, 3.0, 3.05, 3.1\}$ {3}

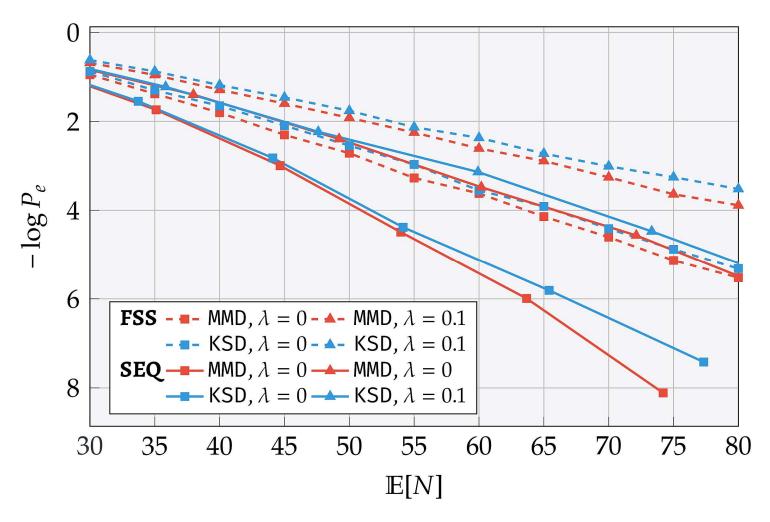
 $\{8.4, 8.45, 8.5, 8.55, 8.6\}$

 P_5

 $\{3.9, 3.95, 4.0, 4.05, 4.1\}$

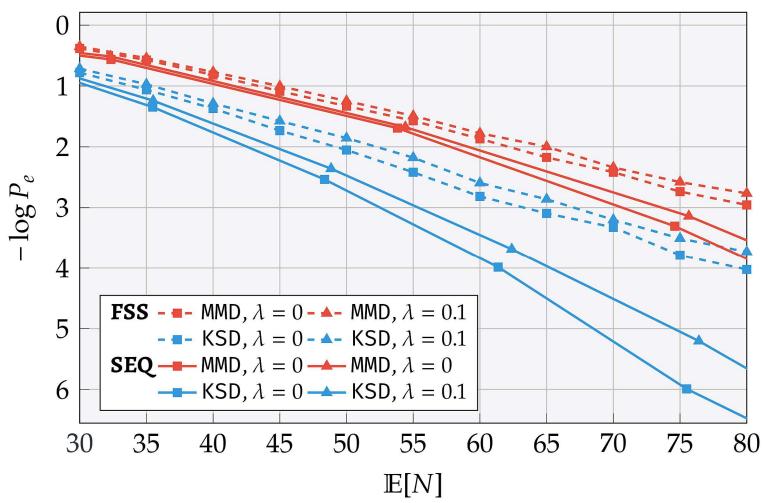
{11.0} {10.9, 10.95, 11.0, 11.05, 11.1}

Results: Known number of clusters



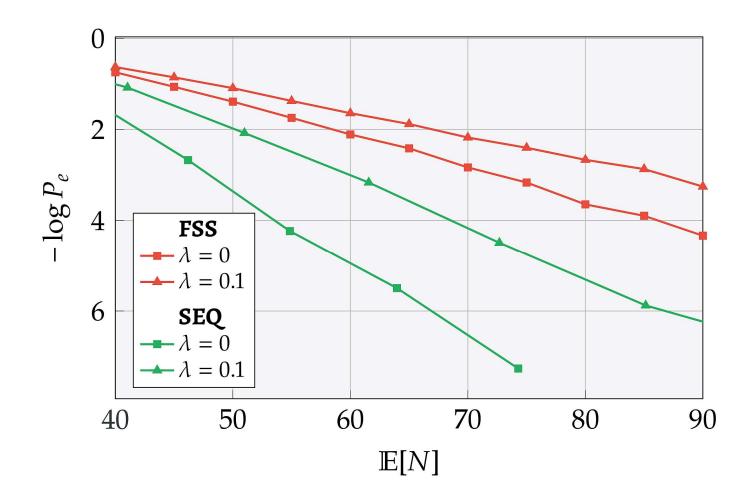
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- Fewer samples required than FSS clustering on average

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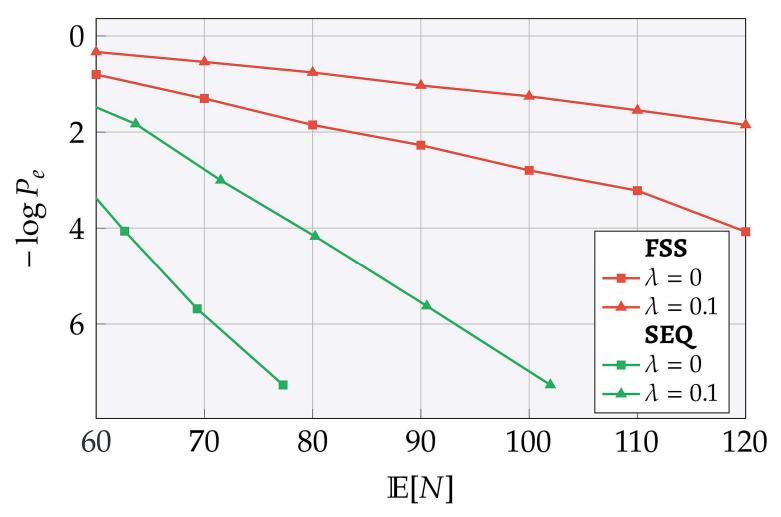
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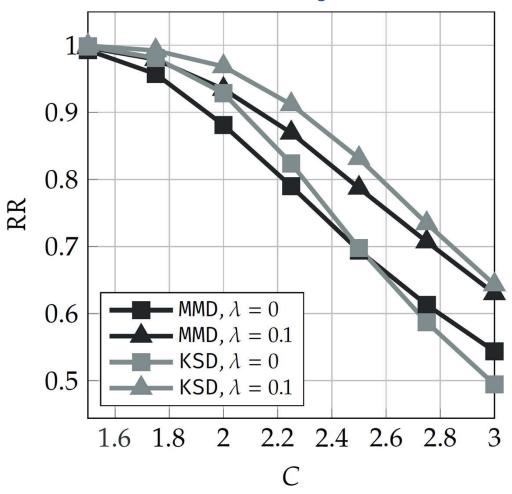
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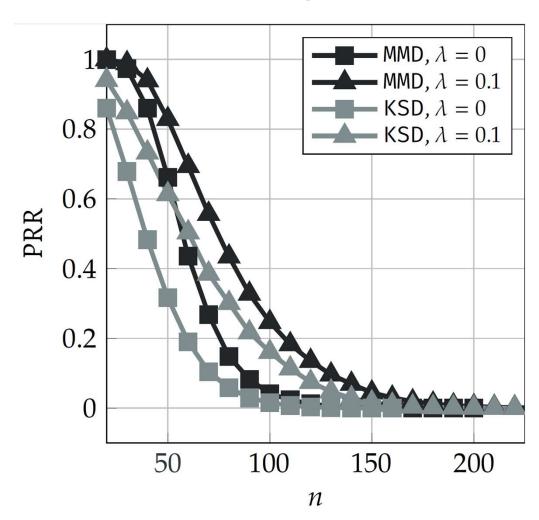
- Gaussian distributions case, K-MED + Split
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Cluster initialization update



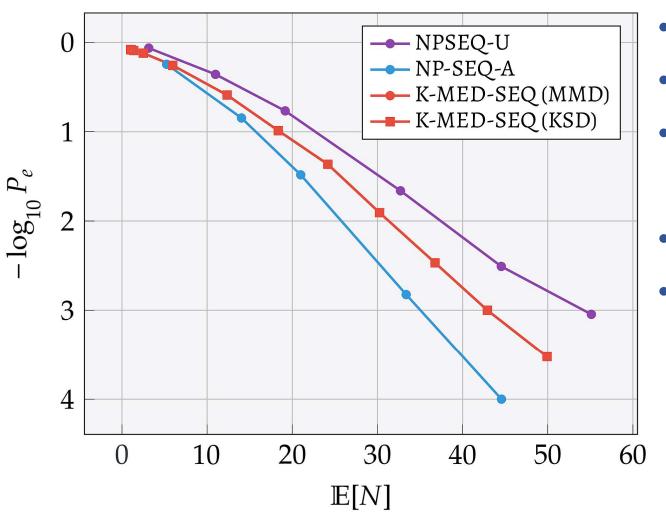
- Reuse cluster output from previous time as initialization
- Computational savings
- RR: Redo ratio

Cluster initialization update



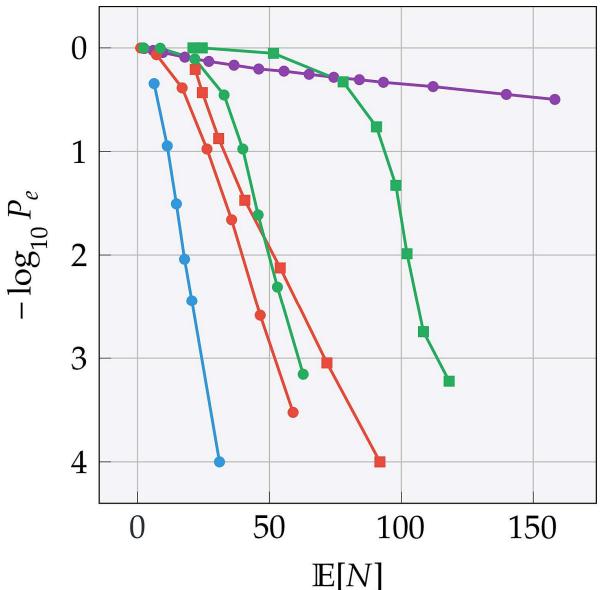
• Fraction of realizations where re-initialization is done at time *n*

Special case: Multiple Anomalies



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

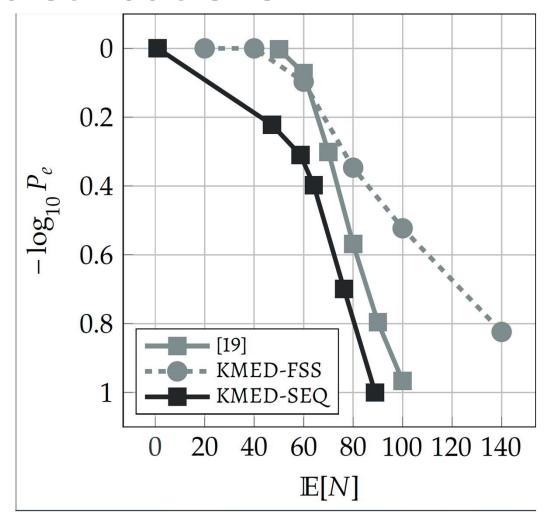
Special case: Multiple Distinct Anomalies





- 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

Discrete distributions



MMD-based vs KL divergence-based

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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}

Summary

- Nonparametric sequential clustering of data streams
- Universal consistency

