

Change-point detection & clustering in a Poisson process

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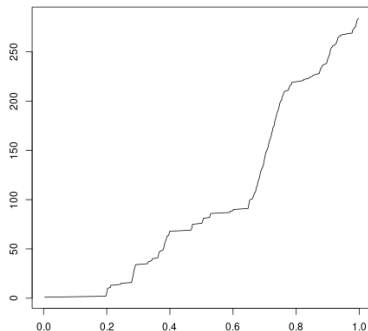
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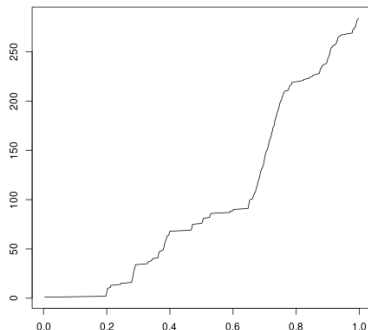
$$\{N(t)\}_{0 \leq t \leq 1} \sim PP(\lambda(t))$$

Intensity function $\lambda(t)$:

$$\lambda(t) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathbb{P}\{N(t + \Delta t) - N(t) = 1\}}{\Delta t},$$

$$\mathbb{E}N(s) - \mathbb{E}N(t) = \int_t^s \lambda(u) \, du$$

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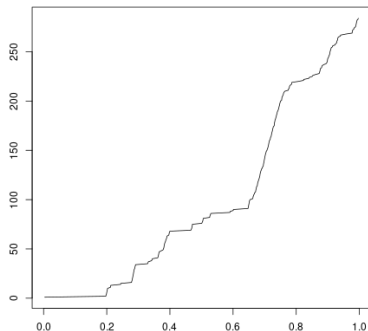
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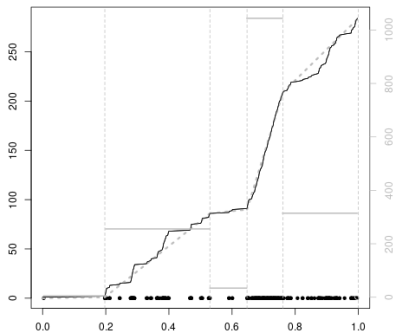
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Aim.

- ▶ Segmentation: estimate (τ, λ) reasonably fast
- ▶ Model selection: choose K

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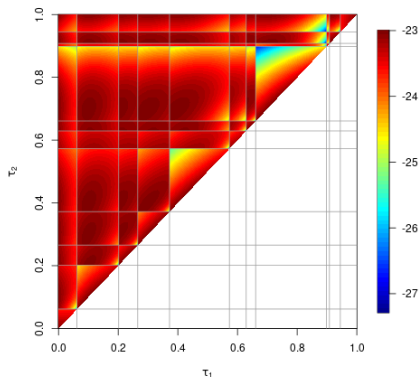
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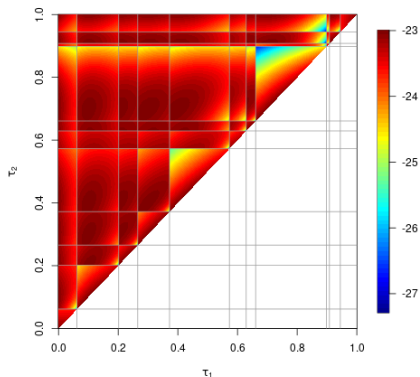
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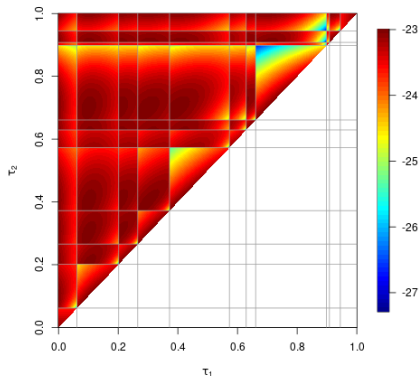
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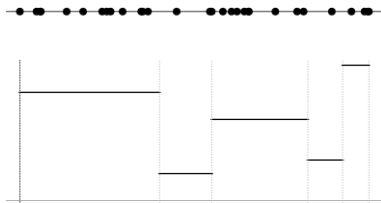
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- Continuous to discrete optimization problem
- Dynamic programming algorithm = $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$.

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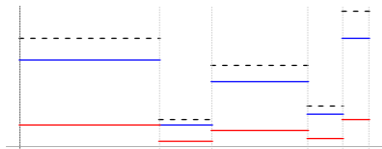
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On-going. Consistency + (modified) BIC criterion for choosing K .

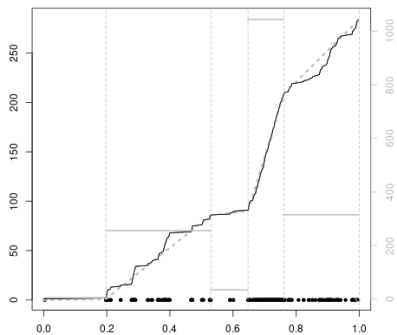
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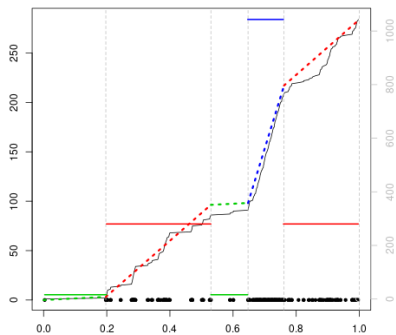
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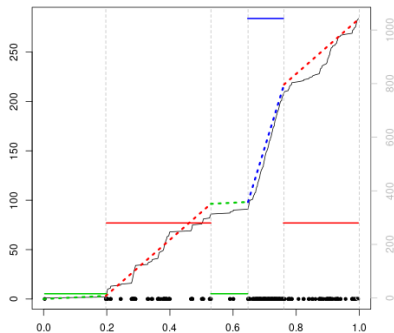
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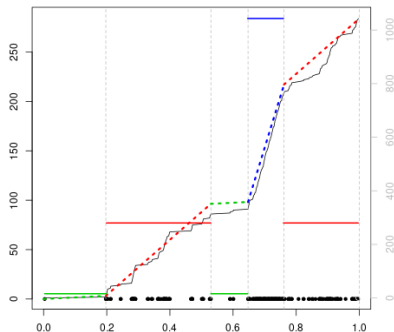
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- ▶ Segment k belongs to group p with probability π_p
- ▶ Point process $N(I_k) \sim PP(\lambda_p)$



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Model parameters.

$$\theta = (\pi, \lambda, \tau)$$

+ (K, P)

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Consequence. For given mixture parameters (π, λ) , the optimal segmentation

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is a subset of $\{T_1^-, T_1, T_2^-, T_2, \dots, T_i^-, T_i, \dots, T_n^-, T_n\}$.

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'EM-DP' algorithm. (see [PRLD07] for a discrete time version)

Clustering. Given $\tau^{(h)}$, get

$$(\pi, \lambda)^{(h+1)} = \arg \max_{(\pi, \lambda)} \log p_{(\pi, \lambda, \tau^{(h)})}(N)$$

using expectation-maximization (EM), based on $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}(\log p_{\theta}(N, Z) \mid N)$;

Segmentation. Given $(\pi^{(h+1)}, \lambda^{(h+1)})$, get

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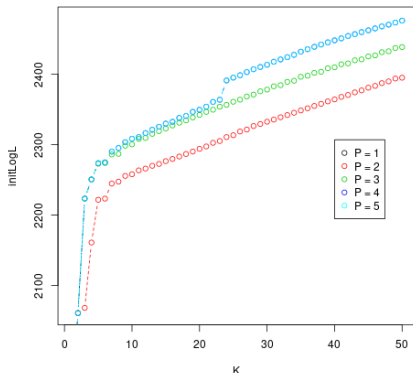
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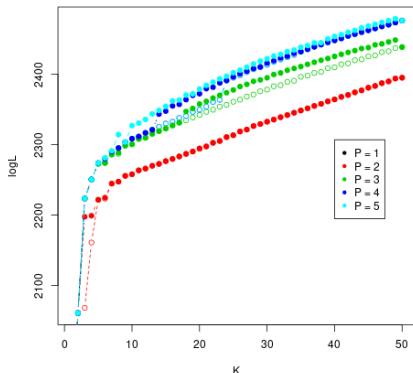
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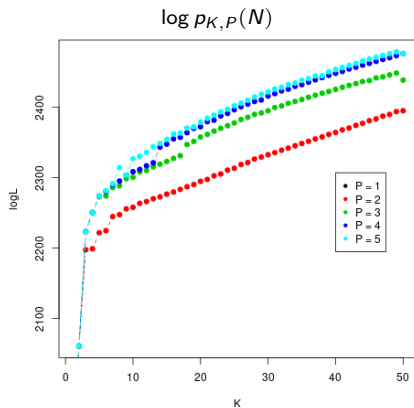
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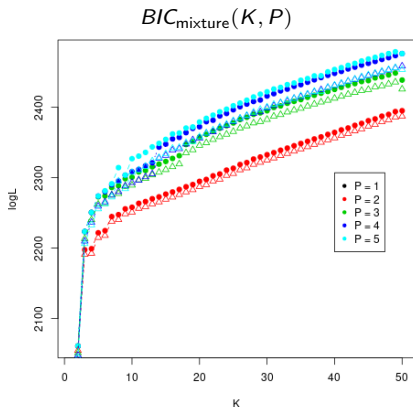


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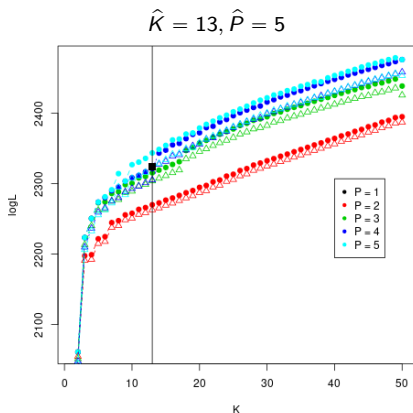
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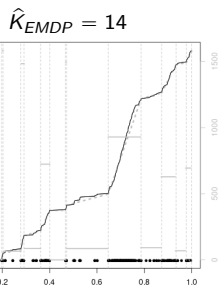
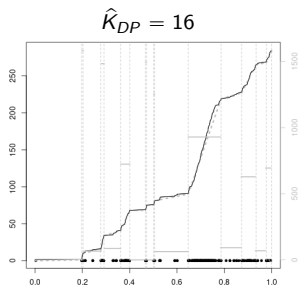
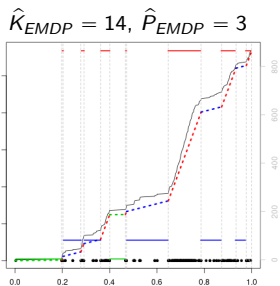
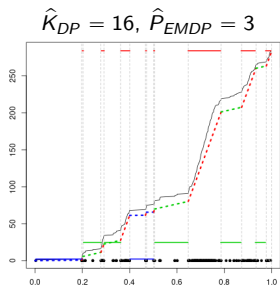
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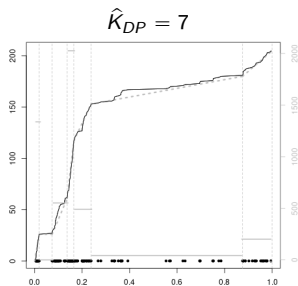
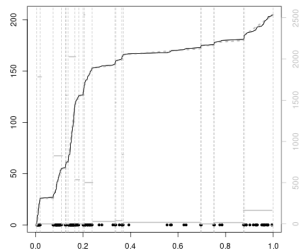
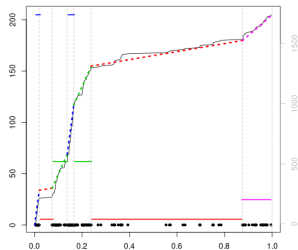
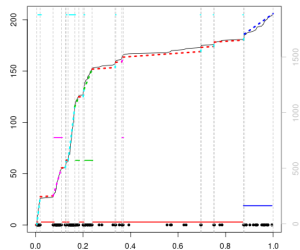
- ▶ Penalty for segmentation: slope heuristic (capushe)



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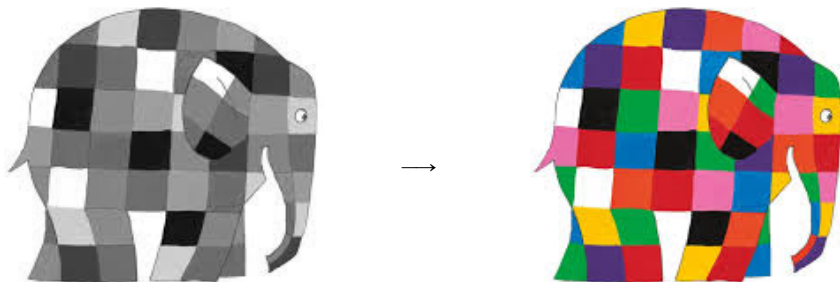
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