# Multiple change-point detection with localised pruning

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### **Change-point problem**

- Change-point problems have been of interest to statisticians for many decades.
- Detection of change-points in mean, variance, regression coefficients, secondorder structure and distribution in general, in univariate, multivariate or highdimensional data, in both a posteriori (retrospective) and sequential manner.
- We are concerned with the classical, a posteriori multiple change-point detection problem in univariate data:

$$X_t = \sum_{j=0}^{q_n} f_j \cdot \mathbb{I}(k_j + 1 \le t \le k_{j+1}) + \varepsilon_t, \quad t = 1, \dots, n.$$

- $k_0 + 1 = 1 \le k_1 < k_2 < \ldots < k_{q_n} < n = k_{q_n+1}$ .
- Total number  $(q_n)$  as well as locations  $(k_1, \ldots, k_{q_n})$  of change-points are unknown and to be estimated.
- Errors  $\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_n \sim (0, \sigma^2)$ .

## 'multiple' change-point estimation

Considerably more challenging than single change-point estimation.

- 1. Estimation of the **total number** of the change-points itself is difficult.
  - Information criterion: Yao (1988), Lee (1995), Serbinowska (1996), Liu et al. (1997), Bai (1998), Kühn (2001), Ninomiya (2005), Pan & Chen (2006), Zhang & Siegmund (2007), Hannart & Naveau (2012), Fryzlewicz (2014)...
  - Typically requires the maximum number of change-points as an input.
- 2. Often, computing change-point detectors over an interval = fitting a stump function.
  - May lead to undesirable consequences when the interval is 'contaminated' by more than one change-points.
  - Reflected in stronger assumption on the size of change-points for their detection.

WILD BINARY SEGMENTATION



FIG. 1. True function  $f_t$ , t = 1, ..., T = 300 (thick black), observed  $X_t$  (thin black),  $|\tilde{X}_{1,300}^b|$  plotted for b = 1, ..., 299 (blue), and  $|\tilde{X}_{101,200}^b|$  plotted for b = 101, ..., 199 (red).

(Fryzlewicz, 2014))

### Localised approaches to change-point estimation

Aim: isolate each change-point in an interval sufficiently large for its detection.

- Wild Binary Segmentation (Fryzlewicz, 2014): draws a large number of intervals randomly.
  - With high probability, for each  $k_j$ , there exists at least one interval which contains  $k_j$  only and is sufficiently large, so that its presence is detected as well as its location being accurately estimated, for all  $j = 1, \ldots, q_n$ .
- **MOSUM procedure** (Eichinger & Kirch, 2017): contrasts the behaviour of left and right summation windows using a moving window.
  - With bandwidth G satisfying  $\min_j(k_{j+1} k_j) > 2G$ , summation windows contain at most a single change-point.
  - Multiscale extension with multiple bandwidths.

mix test signal = large jumps over short intervals + small jumps over long intervals.



### **Conflicting change-point estimators**

CUSUM statistics over random intervals along with change-point candidates ('x').



WBS resolves this issue by adopting a binary segmentation algorithm, which selects the interval with the largest CUSUM statistic and segments the data in an iterative manner.

- NOT (narrowest-over-threshold, Baranowski et al., 2016) selects the narrowest interval among those with CUSUM statistics exceeding a threshold.
- Final model selection depends on the choice of threshold, or the application of an information criterion to a sequence of nested models indexed by the number of change-points.

### **Conflicting change-point estimators**

Multiscale MOSUM procedure with bandwidths  $\in \{10, 30, 60\}$ .



Messer et al. (2014) proposed 'bottom-up' merging of change-point candidates from the multiscale MOSUM procedure, starting from those detected with the smallest bandwidth.

- Cannot be generalised to asymmetric (left summation window  $\neq$  right summation window) MOSUM procedure.
- Cannot remove some spurious change-point estimates.

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- Computationally expensive!
  - For this example, in total 177 change-point estimates (=  $|\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_{pool}|$ ) while  $q_n = 13!$
  - $-2^{177}$  combinations!
    - CP [1,] 11 [2,] 21 [3,] 41 ... [176,] 491 [177,] 301

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- Ignores that each  $\hat{k}$  is detected within a local interval.



 $\Rightarrow$  Motivates a **localised** pruning approach.

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- Such change-point estimation methods attach extra information to their changepoint estimates, namely the interval within which each candidate is estimated.
  - For each  $\hat{k} \in \widehat{\mathcal{B}}_{\text{pool}}$ , its detection interval  $\mathcal{I}(\hat{k}) \equiv [\hat{k} G_l + 1, \hat{k} + G_r]$ , with some  $G_l = G_l(\hat{k})$  and  $G_r = G_r(\hat{k})$ .

#### Localised pruning: step-by-step

**Step 0:** assign the set of candidates  $\mathcal{P} = \widehat{B}_{pool}$  (for future consideration), and the set of currently 'alive' estimates  $\mathcal{C} = \widehat{B}_{pool}$  (survived pruning & for future consideration).

**Step 1:** identify  $\hat{k}^* \in \mathcal{P}$  with {largest jump size, smallest p-value}.

```
> sort CP according to jump size
        CP G_l G_r p-value jump
[1,] 41 20 10 9.820958e-08 3.4338066
[2,] 41 10 10 9.023790e-06 3.2922756
[3,] 61 20 10 2.813026e-07 3.2901970
[4,] 21 10 10 1.049419e-05 3.2684876
[5,] 41 20 20 4.971903e-08 3.0141912
...
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We can 'sort' the change-point candidates according to

• (scaled) jump size

$$\mathcal{J}(\widehat{k}) = rac{1}{\widehat{\sigma}} \left| rac{1}{G_l} \sum_{t=\widehat{k}-G_l+1}^{\widehat{k}} X_t - rac{1}{G_r} \sum_{t=\widehat{k}+1}^{\widehat{k}+G_r} X_t 
ight|.$$

• p-value =  $p(\hat{k})$  from the (asymptotic) distribution of the test statistic under  $H_0$ .  $\dagger \hat{k}$  with small  $p(\hat{k})$  / large  $\mathcal{J}(\hat{k})$  is preferable.

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**Step 2:** select candidates  $\mathcal{D}$  conflicting with  $\hat{k}$  as

$$\widehat{k} < \widehat{k}^* \text{ and } \widehat{k}^* - \widehat{k} \le \min\{G_l(\widehat{k}^*), G_r(\widehat{k})\}, \text{ or } \widehat{k} > \widehat{k}^* \text{ and } \widehat{k} - \widehat{k}^* \le \min\{G_r(\widehat{k}^*), G_l(\widehat{k})\},$$

such that  $\mathcal{D} = \{\widehat{k}_l, \ldots, \widehat{k}_r\}.$ 

† Detection intervals of  $\widehat{k}$  contain  $\widehat{k}^*$  and vice versa.

**Step 3:** identify a local environment containing  $\mathcal{D}$ , as

$$\widehat{k}_L =$$
largest estimate in  $C$  to the left of  $\widehat{k}_l$ ,  
 $\widehat{k}_R =$  smallest estimate in  $C$  to the right of  $\widehat{k}_r$ .

Steps 2–3.



 $x_t, t \in [\widehat{k}_L + 1, \widehat{k}_R] = [22, 60]$  with  $\widehat{k}^* = 41$  and  $\mathcal{D} = \{36, 41, 51\}$ .

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**Step 4:** Letting  $\mathcal{I} = [\hat{k}_L + 1, \hat{k}_R]$ , calculate SC at each subset of the conflicting candidates,  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{D}$ :

$$\mathsf{SC}(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}, \mathcal{C}) = (n/2) \log \left\{ \frac{\mathsf{RSS}(\mathcal{A} \cup (\mathcal{C} \setminus \mathcal{I}))}{n} \right\} + \xi(n) \cdot (|\mathcal{A}| + |\mathcal{C} \setminus \mathcal{I}|),$$

where  $\mathcal{A} = \emptyset, \{36\}, \{41\}, \{51\}, \{36, 41\}, \{36, 51\}, \{41, 51\}, \{36, 41, 51\}.$ 





- SC takes the whole  $X_t$ , t = 1, ..., n into account.
- Using thus-defined SC, we perform an **adaptively chosen subset** of exhaustive search over all possible subsets of  $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_{pool}$  using the information criterion.
- Does not require maximum number of change-points as an input.
- Due to how we define the local environment  $\mathcal{I}$ , the computation is facilitated as we only need to compute and store  $\sum_{t=\hat{k}_j+1}^{\hat{k}_j+1} X_t$  and  $\sum_{t=\hat{k}_j+1}^{\hat{k}_j+1} X_t^2$ .

Step 4 (cont'd): look for  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}} \subset \mathcal{D}$  such that

- (a) adding further candidates to  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}$  monotonically increases SC;
- (b) removing **any single estimate** from  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}$  increases SC;
- (c)  $|\widehat{\mathcal{A}}| = \min\{|\mathcal{A}| : \mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{D} \text{ satisfies (a)-(b)}\}.$

|      | 36 | 41 | 51 | SC       |
|------|----|----|----|----------|
| [1,] | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1223.574 |
| [2,] | 0  | 1  | 1  | 1219.207 |
| [3,] | 1  | 0  | 1  | 1227.901 |
| [4,] | 0  | 0  | 1  | 1253.316 |
| [5,] | 1  | 1  | 0  | 1216.017 |
| [6,] | 0  | 1  | 0  | 1211.649 |
| [7,] | 1  | 0  | 0  | 1221.799 |
| [8,] | 0  | 0  | 0  | 1261.026 |

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  - † Such  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}$  does not always coincides with  $\arg \min_{\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{D}} SC(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{I}, \mathcal{C})$ .



† Efficient computation via bitwise iteration.

**Step 5:** add  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}$  to  $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}$ , remove  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}$  from  $\mathcal{P}$  as well as those  $\widehat{k} \in \mathcal{D}$  whose detection intervals are contained in  $[\widehat{k}_L + 1, \widehat{k}_R]$ , update  $\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{P} \cup \widehat{\mathcal{B}}$  and proceed to the next iteration.

Repeat the steps 1–5 until  $\mathcal{P}$  is empty.

- **Steps 1–3:** identify  $\hat{k}^* \in \mathcal{P}$  with {largest  $\mathcal{J}(\hat{k}^*)$ , smallest  $p(\hat{k}^*)$ }, its neighbours  $\mathcal{D}$  and local environment  $\mathcal{I} = [\hat{k}_L + 1, \hat{k}_R]$ .
- **Step 4:** Look for a subset  $\widehat{\mathcal{A}} \subset \mathcal{D}$  so that
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**Step 5:** update  $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}$ ,  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{C}$ .

### **Next iteration**



### Next iteration (cont'd)



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With  $\mathbf{G} = (G_l, G_r)$  as the bandwidth, MOSUM detector:

$$T_{k,n}(\mathbf{G}) = \sqrt{\frac{G_l G_r}{G_l + G_r}} \left| \frac{1}{G_l} \sum_{t=k-G_l+1}^k X_t - \frac{1}{G_r} \sum_{t=k+1}^{k+G_r} X_t \right|^2$$

for k = 1, ..., n - 1.

#### Asymptotic distribution under $H_0$

Under  $H_0$ :  $q_n = 0$  (no change-points), we have  $T_n(\mathbf{G}) = \max_k \sigma^{-1} T_{k,n}(\mathbf{G})$  satisfy

$$a(n, \mathbf{G})T_n - b(n, \mathbf{G}) \rightarrow_d \Gamma,$$

where  $\Gamma$  follows a Gumbel extreme value distribution.

(Eichinger & Kirch, 2017; Meier, Kirch & Cho, 2018)

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Locate multiple change-points as  $\widehat{k}_{j}^{\mathbf{G}}, \ j=1,\ldots,\widehat{q}_{\mathbf{G}}$ , where

(a) \$\hat{\sigma}^{-1}T\_{\hat{k}\_{j}^{G},n}(G) > D\_{n}(G, \alpha)\$ (from the asymptotic distribution under H<sub>0</sub>), and
(b) \$\hat{\sigma}^{-1}T\_{\hat{k}\_{j}^{G},n}(G)\$ is the local maximum over \$\hat{k}\_{j}^{G} - \eta G\_{l} < k < \hat{k}\_{j}^{G} + \eta G\_{r}\$ for some \$\eta \in (0, 1]\$.</li>

For each estimate  $\hat{k}_j^{\mathbf{G}}$ , we have  $\mathcal{I}(\hat{k}^{\mathbf{G}}) = [\hat{k}_j^{\mathbf{G}} - G_l + 1, \hat{k}_j^{\mathbf{G}} + G_r]$ ,  $p(\hat{k}_j^{\mathbf{G}})$  and  $\mathcal{J}(\hat{k}_j^{\mathbf{G}})$ .  $\implies$  input to the localised pruning.

# Theoretical consistency for multiscale MOSUM procedure with localised pruning

### Conditions

For  $X_t = f_t + \varepsilon_t$ , assume

(i) **Invariance principle:** for a standard Wiener process  $\{W(k) : 1 \le k \le n\}$  and  $\lambda_n = o(\sqrt{n})$ ,

$$\max_{1 \le k \le n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^{k} \varepsilon_t - \tau W(k) \right| = O(\lambda_n)$$
 a.s.

with  $\tau^2 = \sigma^2 + \sum_{h>0} \mathsf{Cov}(\varepsilon_0, \varepsilon_h).$ 

(ii) For some fixed  $\gamma > 2$  and  $C_0 > 0$ , it holds for any  $-\infty < l \leq r < \infty$ ,

$$\mathsf{E}\left|\sum_{t=l}^{r} \varepsilon_{t}\right|^{\gamma} \leq C_{0}(r-l+1)^{\gamma/2}.$$

#### **Consistency of single-bandwidth MOSUM procedure**

Let  $d_j = |f_j - f_{j-1}|$  (jump size) and suppose

(i)  $\min_j (k_{j+1} - k_j) > 2G$ , (ii)  $\min_j d_j^2 G \ge cq_n^{2/\gamma} \log n$  for some c > 0, (iii)  $n/G \to \infty$  and  $\lambda_n^2 \log n/G \to 0$ .

Then, estimated change-points  $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}(G) = \{\widehat{k}_j^G, j = 1, \dots, \widehat{q}_G\}$  satisfy

$$\mathsf{P}\left\{\widehat{q}_{G} = q_{n}; |k_{j} - \widehat{k}_{j}^{G}| < c_{0}q_{n}^{2/\gamma}d_{j}^{-2}\log n \,\forall \, j = 1, \dots, q_{n}\right\} \to 1$$

for some fixed  $c_0 > 0$ .

† With fixed  $d_j$  and  $q_n$ , we have minimax optimality in estimating  $k_j$  up to a logarithmic factor.

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#### **Consistency of multiscale MOSUM procedure**

For a set of bandwidths  $\mathcal{H}$ , assume that for each  $k_j$ , there exists  $G_{h(j)} \in \mathcal{H}$  such that

(i') 
$$\min(k_j - k_{j-1}, k_{j+1} - k_j) > 2G_{h(j)},$$
  
(ii')  $d_j^2 G_{h(j)} \ge c q_n^{2/\gamma} \log n.$   
(iii')  $n/(\max_j G_{h(j)}) \to \infty$  and  $\lambda_n^2 \log n/(\min_j G_{h(j)}) \to 0.$ 

 $\dagger$  If there are multiple such bandwidths for  $k_j$ , let  $G_{h(j)}$  be their minimum.

Then, pooling all change-point estimates  $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_{pool} = \cup_{G \in \mathcal{H}} \widehat{\mathcal{B}}(G)$ , we have

$$\mathsf{P}\left\{\min_{\widehat{k}\in\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_{\mathsf{pool}}}|k_j-\widehat{k}| < c_0 q_n^{2/\gamma} d_j^{-2} \log n \text{ for all } j=1,\ldots,q_n\right\} \to 1.$$

 $\implies \exists$  at least one 'valid' estimate for each  $k_j$  in  $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_{pool}$ .

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#### Choice of penalty in SC

Closely related to the behaviour of  $\max_{1 \le l < r \le n} (r - l + 1)^{-1/2} |\sum_{t=l}^{r} \varepsilon_t|$ .

- If  $\varepsilon_t$  i.i.d. with mgf, set  $\xi(n) = \log^{1+\delta} n$  for some small  $\delta > 0$  (Shao, 1995).
- If  $E|\varepsilon_t|^{2+\Delta} < \infty$  for some  $\Delta > 0$ , set  $\xi(n) = n^{\frac{2}{3+\Delta}+\delta}$  (Mikosch & Račkauskas, 2010).

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(ii")  $d_j^2 G_{h(j)} \ge c \xi(n).$ 

**Result 1.** For any given interval [s, e] and  $\bar{c} \in (0, 1]$ , define

$$\mathcal{B}_{s,e} = \{k_{j_s+j} \in [s,e]; \min(k_{j_s+j}-s,e-k_{j_s+j}) \ge \bar{c}G_{h(j_s+j)}\}$$

with  $q_{s,e} = |\mathcal{B}_{s,e}|$ . Then, **exhaustive search in Step 4** yields  $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}_{s,e} = \{\widehat{k}_{j_s+j}, j = 1, \ldots, \widehat{q}_{s,e}\}$  that consistently estimates  $\mathcal{B}_{s,e}$ :  $\widehat{q}_{s,e} = q_{s,e}$  and

$$|\widehat{k}_{j_s+j} - k_{j_s+j}| < c_0 q_n^{2/\gamma} d_{j_s+j}^{-2} \log n$$
 for all  $j = 1, \dots, q_{s,e}$ 

with probability tending to one.

**Result 2.** Repeated application of Steps 1–5 yields  $\widehat{\mathcal{B}} = {\widehat{k}_1, \ldots, \widehat{k}_{\widehat{q}}}$  satisfying

$$\mathsf{P}\left\{\widehat{\boldsymbol{q}} = \boldsymbol{q}_n; \, |\widehat{\boldsymbol{k}}_j - \boldsymbol{k}_j| < c_0 q_n^{2/\gamma} d_j^{-2} \log n \text{ for all } j = 1, \dots, q_n\right\} \to 1.$$

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### **Simulation study**

Compare the **multiscale MOSUM procedure with localised pruning ('CK')** against the **bottom-up** merging approach (Messer et al. 2014), Pruned Exact Linear Time (**PELT**, Killick et al. 2012), Wild Binary Segmentation combined with BIC (**WBS**, Fryzlewicz 2014), pruned dynamic programming algorithm (**S3IB**, Rigaill 2010), **cumSeg** (Muggeo & Adelfio 2010), Tail-Greedy Unbalanced Haar (**TGUH**, Fryzlewicz 2018+), its hybrid with adaptive WBS (**hybrid**), and multiscale segmentation method (**FDRSeg**, Li et al. 2016).

Choice of parameters:  $\mathcal{H} = \{10, 20, 40, 60, 80, 100\}$  and  $\alpha = 0.2$ .

Report the true positive rate  $(|\widehat{\mathcal{B}} \cap \mathcal{B}|/q_n)$ , false positive rate  $(|\widehat{\mathcal{B}} \cap \mathcal{B}^c|/\widehat{q})$ , Adjusted Rand Index (ARI) of the estimated segmentation, mean squared error (MSE) of  $\widehat{f}$ , Hausdorff distance between  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}$ , and weighted average of trimmed distances  $\delta_{\text{trim}} = (\sum_{j=1}^{q_n} d_j^2)^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{q_n} d_j^2 \cdot \delta_{\text{trim},j}$  where

$$\delta_{\mathsf{trim},j} = \left(\frac{k_{j+1} - k_j}{2} \wedge \frac{k_j - k_{j-1}}{2} \wedge \min_{1 \le j' \le \widehat{q}} |\widehat{k}_{j'} - k_j|\right)$$

averaged over 1000 replications.

blocks: n = 2048,  $q_n = 11$ , Gaussian noise,  $\xi(n) = \log^{1.01} n$ .



| method    | TPR   | FPR   | ARI   | MSE    | $d_H$   | $^{\delta}$ trim |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------|------------------|
| CK        | 0.96  | 0.02  | 0.973 | 4.975  | 38.452  | 339.349          |
| bottom.up | 0.959 | 0.288 | 0.864 | 5.94   | 144.947 | 353.589          |
| WBS       | 0.954 | 0.008 | 0.979 | 5.105  | 29.785  | 374.093          |
| PELT      | 0.876 | 0.001 | 0.96  | 6.355  | 58.619  | 582.304          |
| S3IB      | 0.971 | 0.02  | 0.979 | 4.749  | 30.868  | 312.663          |
| cumSeg    | 0.775 | 0.002 | 0.914 | 12.914 | 83.402  | 1706.121         |
| TGUH      | 0.947 | 0.025 | 0.965 | 6.519  | 42.168  | 499.076          |
| hybrid    | 0.945 | 0.027 | 0.971 | 5.342  | 45.131  | 370.507          |
| FDRSeg    | 0.973 | 0.081 | 0.956 | 6.033  | 67.488  | 450.989          |

fms: n = 497,  $q_n = 6$ , Gaussian noise,  $\xi(n) = \log^{1.01} n$ .



| method    | TPR   | FPR   | ARI   | MSE    | $d_H$  | $^{\delta}$ trim |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|------------------|
| CK        | 0.996 | 0.037 | 0.949 | 4.315  | 16.215 | 0.155            |
| bottom.up | 0.974 | 0.301 | 0.817 | 6.355  | 60.737 | 0.351            |
| WBS       | 0.996 | 0.006 | 0.968 | 3.675  | 7.477  | 0.138            |
| PELT      | 0.927 | 0.001 | 0.953 | 5.012  | 14.24  | 0.431            |
| S3IB      | 1     | 0.097 | 0.942 | 4.777  | 27.953 | 0.104            |
| cumSeg    | 0.731 | 0.011 | 0.916 | 14.234 | 30.087 | 1.961            |
| TGUH      | 0.996 | 0.039 | 0.945 | 4.765  | 15.782 | 0.159            |
| hybrid    | 0.997 | 0.037 | 0.954 | 3.916  | 14.705 | 0.127            |
| FDRSeg    | 0.999 | 0.099 | 0.941 | 13.165 | 20.812 | 1.671            |

mix: n = 560,  $q_n = 13$ , Gaussian noise,  $\xi(n) = \log^{1.01} n$ .



| method    | TPR   | FPR   | ARI   | MSE    | $d_H$   | $\delta$ trim |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------|---------------|
| CK        | 0.941 | 0.014 | 0.792 | 4.145  | 57.094  | 30.099        |
| bottom.up | 0.961 | 0.06  | 0.823 | 4.298  | 43.313  | 32.504        |
| WBS       | 0.91  | 0.008 | 0.733 | 4.377  | 80.408  | 33.351        |
| PELT      | 0.772 | 0.002 | 0.462 | 6.135  | 184.846 | 46.501        |
| S3IB      | 0.961 | 0.073 | 0.817 | 4.771  | 43.354  | 31.722        |
| cumSeg    | 0.315 | 0     | 0.255 | 25.587 | 101.915 | 796.096       |
| TGUH      | 0.9   | 0.026 | 0.697 | 5.474  | 88.063  | 46.775        |
| hybrid    | 0.905 | 0.02  | 0.723 | 4.53   | 83.754  | 33.750        |
| FDRSeg    | 0.936 | 0.086 | 0.756 | 8.164  | 58.865  | 136.397       |

teeth10: n = 140,  $q_n = 13$ , Gaussian noise,  $\xi(n) = \log^{1.01} n$ .



| method    | TPR   | FPR   | ARI   | MSE    | $d_H$  | $^{\delta}$ trim |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|------------------|
| CK        | 0.968 | 0.001 | 0.932 | 2.389  | 3.591  | 0.298            |
| bottom.up | 0.967 | 0.004 | 0.942 | 2.584  | 4.524  | 0.282            |
| WBS       | 0.943 | 0.02  | 0.865 | 4.277  | 4.628  | 0.641            |
| PELT      | 0.378 | 0.007 | 0.274 | 13.16  | 43.907 | 3.256            |
| S3IB      | 0.997 | 0.099 | 0.904 | 4.014  | 3.882  | 0.387            |
| cumSeg    | 0.001 | 0     | 0     | 18.382 | 1.881  | 4.994            |
| TGUH      | 0.961 | 0.017 | 0.866 | 4.396  | 5.161  | 0.634            |
| hybrid    | 0.964 | 0.014 | 0.886 | 3.917  | 4.644  | 0.543            |
| FDRSeg    | 0.964 | 0.054 | 0.743 | 7.986  | 5.714  | 1.280            |

stairs10: n = 140,  $q_n = 13$ , Gaussian noise,  $\xi(n) = \log^{1.01} n$ .



| method    | TPR   | FPR   | ARI   | MSE   | $d_H$ | $\delta$ trim |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------------|
| CK        | 0.998 | 0.003 | 0.977 | 2.184 | 1.216 | 0.113         |
| bottom.up | 0.995 | 0.006 | 0.968 | 2.559 | 1.985 | 0.152         |
| WBS       | 1     | 0.036 | 0.958 | 2.937 | 2.207 | 0.168         |
| PELT      | 0.992 | 0     | 0.965 | 2.715 | 1.882 | 0.179         |
| S3IB      | 1     | 0.089 | 0.953 | 3.078 | 3.245 | 0.135         |
| cumSeg    | 0.986 | 0.006 | 0.877 | 7.351 | 3.253 | 0.646         |
| TGUH      | 1     | 0.009 | 0.962 | 2.873 | 1.575 | 0.179         |
| hybrid    | 0.999 | 0.011 | 0.956 | 3.221 | 1.944 | 0.214         |
| FDRSeg    | 1     | 0.051 | 0.79  | 11.52 | 2.739 | 1.020         |

 $\ell_1$ -error between  $\widehat{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  conditional on our method ('CK') and the competitor correctly estimating all  $q_n$  change-points.

| model    |          |               | WBS   | S3IB  | cumSeg | TGUH  | hybrid | FDRSeg |
|----------|----------|---------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| blocks   | $\ell_1$ | CK            | 2.039 | 2.098 | NA     | 2.038 | 2.03   | 2.093  |
|          | -        | competitor    | 2.14  | 2.061 | NA     | 3.106 | 2.153  | 2.555  |
|          | -        | all detection | 0.401 | 0.413 | 0      | 0.328 | 0.314  | 0.326  |
| fms      | $\ell_1$ | CK            | 1.188 | 1.143 | 1.17   | 1.183 | 1.18   | 1.188  |
|          |          | competitor    | 1.113 | 1.023 | 1.641  | 1.591 | 1.116  | 1.744  |
|          | -        | all detection | 0.81  | 0.526 | 0.155  | 0.725 | 0.73   | 0.688  |
| mix      | $\ell_1$ | CK            | 1.784 | 1.843 | NA     | 1.8   | 1.748  | 1.671  |
|          |          | competitor    | 1.781 | 1.805 | NA     | 2.319 | 1.742  | 2.303  |
|          | -        | all detection | 0.22  | 0.159 | 0      | 0.159 | 0.162  | 0.129  |
| teeth10  | $\ell_1$ | CK            | 0.127 | 0.132 | NA     | 0.126 | 0.126  | 0.133  |
|          | _        | competitor    | 0.329 | 0.315 | NA     | 0.404 | 0.33   | 1.085  |
|          | -        | all detection | 0.499 | 0.218 | 0      | 0.5   | 0.512  | 0.413  |
| stairs10 | $\ell_1$ | CK            | 0.1   | 0.099 | 0.102  | 0.101 | 0.101  | 0.103  |
|          | _        | competitor    | 0.157 | 0.124 | 0.559  | 0.167 | 0.195  | 1.020  |
|          | -        | all detection | 0.578 | 0.298 | 0.729  | 0.837 | 0.819  | 0.765  |

## Heavy-tail

| $t_5$ noise, $\xi(n) = \log^{1.1} n$ (light) and $\xi(n) = n^2$ | $n^{2/5.1}$ (heavy). |
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| model    | method    | penalty | TPR   | FPR   | ARI   | MSE    | $d_H$   | $\delta$ trim |
|----------|-----------|---------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------|---------------|
| blocks   | CK        | light   | 0.943 | 0.005 | 0.978 | 5.113  | 35.346  | 346.064       |
|          |           | heavy   | 0.768 | 0     | 0.923 | 11.484 | 78.559  | 1068.298      |
|          | bottom.up | -       | 0.979 | 0.354 | 0.822 | 6.143  | 184.263 | 321.292       |
|          | cumSeg    | -       | 0.773 | 0.003 | 0.913 | 13.428 | 85.287  | 1737.013      |
| fms      | CK        | light   | 0.987 | 0.013 | 0.964 | 4.281  | 10.196  | 0.205         |
|          |           | heavy   | 0.951 | 0.002 | 0.938 | 5.483  | 17.847  | 0.313         |
|          | bottom.up | -       | 0.988 | 0.38  | 0.757 | 6.76   | 88.055  | 0.283         |
|          | cumSeg    | -       | 0.737 | 0.013 | 0.915 | 14.94  | 30.354  | 1.889         |
| mix      | CK        | light   | 0.914 | 0.005 | 0.747 | 4.092  | 75.677  | 34.143        |
|          |           | heavy   | 0.855 | 0.001 | 0.634 | 4.72   | 118.595 | 39.439        |
|          | bottom.up | -       | 0.983 | 0.099 | 0.851 | 4.016  | 33.257  | 33.985        |
|          | cumSeg    | -       | 0.32  | 0     | 0.258 | 24.689 | 104.038 | 788.816       |
| teeth10  | CK        | light   | 0.92  | 0.001 | 0.875 | 3.154  | 6.74    | 0.522         |
|          |           | heavy   | 0.894 | 0.001 | 0.847 | 3.534  | 8.572   | 0.642         |
|          | bottom.up | -       | 0.981 | 0.004 | 0.953 | 2.227  | 3.13    | 0.226         |
|          | cumSeg    | -       | 0.001 | 0     | 0     | 18.516 | 1.92    | 4.994         |
| stairs10 | CK        | light   | 0.995 | 0.002 | 0.973 | 2.328  | 1.639   | 0.135         |
|          |           | heavy   | 0.994 | 0.001 | 0.973 | 2.338  | 1.66    | 0.137         |
|          | bottom.up | -       | 0.991 | 0.004 | 0.962 | 2.864  | 2.434   | 0.189         |
|          | cumSeg    | -       | 0.982 | 0.007 | 0.878 | 7.513  | 3.312   | 0.645         |

## Scalability

Proposed methodology is less affected by increasing n due to its localised approach.

**Dense**: repeat the five test signals until  $n > 2 \times 10^4$ . **Sparse**: embed the test signals in a sequence of  $n = 2 \times 10^4$  at t = 500.

Dense blocks: n = 20480,  $q_n = 110$ , Gaussian noise,  $\xi(n) = \log^{1.01} n$ .



| method    | TPR   | FPR   | ARI   | MSE   | $d_H$   | $^{\delta}$ trim | speed  |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|------------------|--------|
| CK        | 0.928 | 0.004 | 0.98  | 5.002 | 87.97   | 2.364            | 1.901  |
| bottom.up | 0.919 | 0.207 | 0.906 | 6.013 | 205.63  | 2.58             | 0.225  |
| wbs.c     | 0.854 | 0.029 | 0.944 | 7.627 | 171.92  | 4.288            | 32.416 |
| wbs.sbic  | 0.927 | 0.035 | 0.959 | 5.602 | 165.82  | 2.576            | 85.722 |
| PELT      | 0.808 | 0     | 0.954 | 8.107 | 107.747 | 6.451            | 0.017  |
| TGUH      | 0.92  | 0.006 | 0.974 | 6.269 | 98.24   | 3.259            | 1.028  |
| hybrid    | 0.895 | 0.033 | 0.955 | 6.282 | 165.2   | 2.989            | 22.742 |

Sparse mix:  $n = 2 \times 10^4$ ,  $q_n = 13$ , Gaussian noise,  $\xi(n) = \log^{1.01} n$ .



## Conclusions

- Computationally efficient approach to pruning down (potentially) a large number of conflicting change-point estimates.
- Scalable to increasing number of observations and change-points.
- Achieves consistency in estimating both the total number and locations of changepoints.
- Applicable in combination with any method that provides additional information about the local environment in which each change-point is obtained.
- Extendable to problems admitting the minimisation of cost + penalty on the model complexity.
- R package mosum available on CRAN.

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