

Thesis Proposal: Two-Sample Kernel Based Tests

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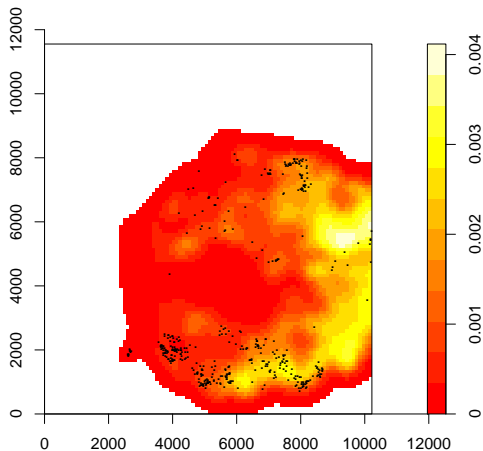
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- Future work: theory for general case, heterogeneous data and combining kernels

Breast Cancer Data: Spatial



Breast Cancer Data: Survival

Pathology no.	Initial Diagnosis Date	Relapse or Disease Free	RDF (R=relapsed; F=DF)	Recurrence Date	Las
98_17969D	1997-08-25	Disease Free	F	Disease Free	
97_24046C8	1997-08-25	Disease Free	F	Disease Free	
98_8501C1	1998-04-03	Disease Free	F	Disease Free	
98_8501A1	1998-04-03	Disease Free	F	Disease Free	
98_9134D4	1998-04-09	Left in-situ BrCa in 1999 (2nd primary cancer, not a metastasis from the right BrCa in 1997)	F	Disease Free	
98_9134B	1998-04-09	Left in-situ BrCa in 1999 (2nd primary cancer, not a metastasis from the right BrCa in 1997)	F	Disease Free	
98_14783B1	1998-06-10	bone, brain, lymph nodes, pericardium, liver metastasis	R	2004-07-30	
98_14783A	1998-06-10	bone, brain, lymph nodes, pericardium, liver metastasis	R	2004-07-30	
98_16169C2	1998-06-24	Disease Free	F	Disease Free	
98_16169A	1998-06-24	Disease Free	F	Disease Free	
98_16169B	1998-06-24	Disease Free	F	Disease Free	
98_16253C1	1998-06-25	Disease Free	F	Disease Free	
60C1	1998-07-10	Disease Free	F	Disease Free	

Breast Cancer Data: Medical

Pathology no.	Age at time of diagnosis	Gender	SLN tumor status	Diagnosis	ER status	PR status	Her-2 overexpression
98_17969D	68	F	+	Invasive ductal carcinoma (IDC)	-	-	-
97_24046C8	68	F	+	Invasive ductal carcinoma (IDC)	-	-	-
98_8501C1	51	F	+	IDC & DCIS	+	+	?
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98_9134D4	70	F	+	IDC	+	+	n/a
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Strategy: Analyze the simple case (univariate/linear) and attempt to generalize.

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Stein's Method and the Randomization Distribution

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We are finishing up a proof using the method of exchangeable pairs where our bound is $O(N^{-1/4})$.

Proof Ideas

Chen et al. [6]:

Theorem

If T, T' are mean 0, variance 1 exchangeable random variables satisfying

$$\mathbb{E}[T - T' | T] = \lambda(T - R)$$

for some $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ and some random variable R , then

$$\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |P(T \leq t) - \Phi(t)| \leq B + (2\pi)^{-1/4} \sqrt{\frac{\mathbb{E}|T' - T|^3}{\lambda}} + \mathbb{E}|R|,$$

where $B \leq \frac{\Theta}{2\lambda}$ and $\Theta = \sqrt{\text{var}(\mathbb{E}[(T' - T)^2 | T])}$.

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Let (I, J) be a uniformly random transposition between groups: over the N^2 cases where $1 \leq I \leq N$ and $N+1 \leq J \leq 2N$. Then

$$T' = T\left(\{u_{\pi \circ (I, J)(i)}\}_{i=1}^N, \{u_{\pi \circ (I, J)(i)}\}_{i=N+1}^{2N}\right).$$

T and T' form an exchangeable pair.

Bound Calculations

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |P(T \leq t) - \Phi(t)| &\leq \underbrace{\frac{\sqrt{\text{var}(\mathbb{E}[(T' - T)^2 | T])}}{2\lambda}}_1 \\ &\quad + \underbrace{(2\pi)^{-1/4} \sqrt{\frac{\mathbb{E}|T' - T|^3}{\lambda}}}_{2} \\ &\quad + \underbrace{\mathbb{E} \left| -\frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbb{E}[T - T' | T] + T \right|}_{3} \end{aligned}$$

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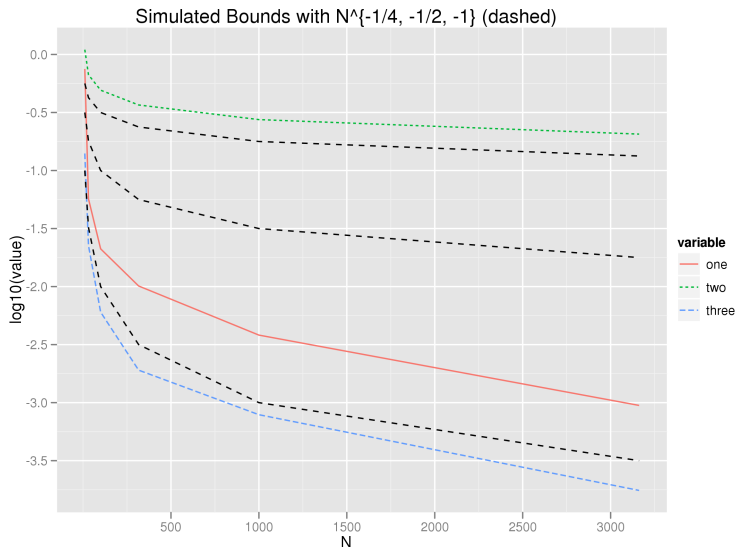
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- 6 Average over many values of T , and repeat for a sequence of N 's.

Simulated Data

	T	Tprime	N	lambda
1	-1.6646969	-1.4150824	10	0.2000000000
2	-1.6646969	-2.8302749	10	0.2000000000
3	-1.6646969	-1.5975851	10	0.2000000000
4	-1.6646969	-2.1813520	10	0.2000000000
5	-1.6646969	-2.5914846	10	0.2000000000
6	-1.6646969	-1.9817233	10	0.2000000000
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88873283	0.2425782	0.3088987	3162	0.0006325111
88873284	0.2425782	0.2740881	3162	0.0006325111
88873285	0.2425782	0.2816923	3162	0.0006325111
88873286	0.2425782	0.2992468	3162	0.0006325111
88873287	0.2425782	0.2931195	3162	0.0006325111
88873288	0.2425782	0.2677967	3162	0.0006325111

Bounds Comparison



Twitter Example



Barack Obama ✓

@BarackObama Washington, DC
44th President of the United States
<http://www.barackobama.com>

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<http://OFA.BO/6p2EMy>

21 May



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Speaking today about the United States' policy in the Middle East and North Africa. Watch live: <http://wh.gov/live>
#MEdspeech

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Delivering the commencement address at the United States Coast Guard Academy. Watch live at 11:30am ET:
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18 May



Sarah Palin ✓

@SarahPalinUSA Alaska
Former Governor of Alaska and GOP Vice Presidential Nominee
<http://www.facebook.com/sarahpalin>

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SarahPalinUSA Sarah Palin

You betcha!! MT "@AlaskaAces: Alaska Aces are 2011 Kelly Cup Champs w/ 5-3 win over Kalamazoo Wings! Aces win ECHL Championship series 4-1"

21 May



SarahPalinUSA Sarah Palin

Yes, they did & we couldn't be any more blessed! RT" @C4Palin: Track Palin and Britta Hanson Married
<http://bit.ly/jCkT3i> #tcot #palin"

19 May



SarahPalinUSA Sarah Palin

I'm jealous! RT"@secupp: At the Wasilla Sportsman's Warehouse w/Joe the Plumber, Colorado Buck, Ken Onion and Sarah's parents. Good people."

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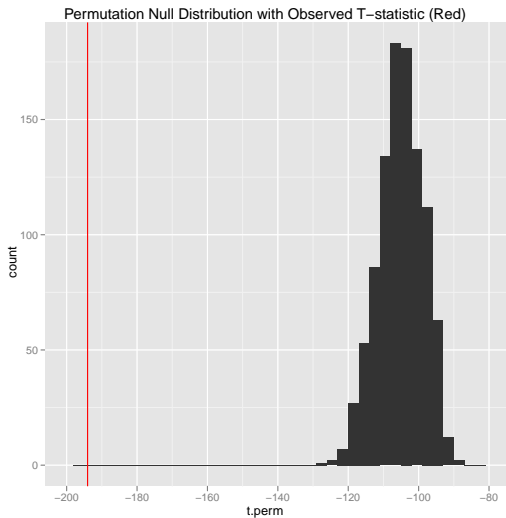
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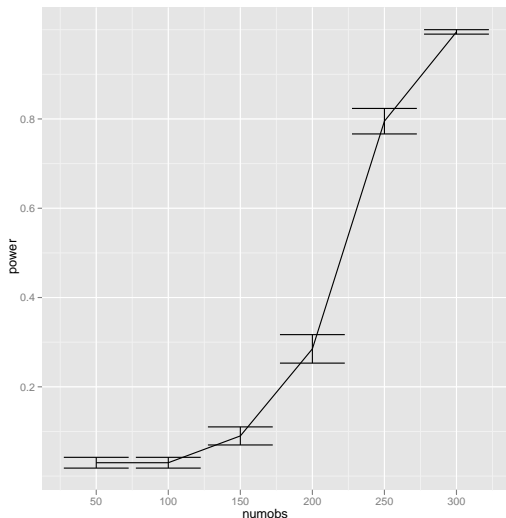
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Power Simulations at .05 Level



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