Hypothesis Testing with Kernel Embeddings on Big and Interdependent Data

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Reproducing kernel

By Riesz theorem, a continuous δ_x has a representer denoted k_x s.t. $\langle f, k_x \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = f(x)$. $k: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \to \mathbb{R}$ given by $k(x, x') = \langle k_x, k_{x'} \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$ is called a **reproducing kernel** of \mathcal{H} : $k_x = k(\cdot, x)$.

Moore-Aronszajn Theorem

Every positive definite function is a reproducing kernel of some \mathcal{H} .

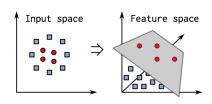


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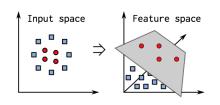


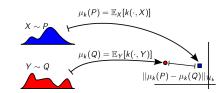
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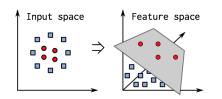


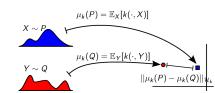
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 - $\mu_k(P)$ represents expectations w.r.t. P, i.e., $\mathbb{E}_X f(X) = \mathbb{E}_X \langle f, k(\cdot, X) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_L} = \langle f, \mu_k(P) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_L} \ \forall f \in \mathcal{H}_k$



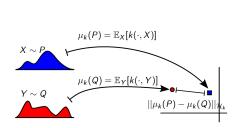


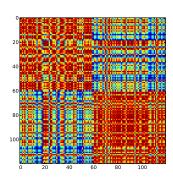
Kernel MMD (1)

Definition

Kernel metric (MMD) between P and Q:

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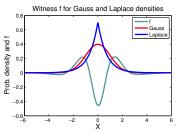


MMD as an integrable probability metric

 An alternative interpretation of MMD is as an integral probability metric (Müller, 1997), i.e.,

$$\sup_{\substack{f \in \mathcal{H}_k, \\ \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}_k} \le 1}} \left[\mathbb{E}_{X \sim P} f(X) - \mathbb{E}_{Y \sim Q} f(Y) \right] = \sup_{\substack{f \in \mathcal{H}_k, \\ \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}_k} \le 1}} \langle f, \mu_k(P) - \mu_k(Q) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_k}$$
$$= \|\mu_k(P) - \mu_k(Q)\|_{\mathcal{H}_k}.$$

• Supremum achieved at the "witness function" $f = \frac{\mu_k(P) - \mu_k(Q)}{\|\mu_k(P) - \mu_k(Q)\|_{\mathcal{H}_k}}$.



Kernel MMD (2)

- A polynomial kernel $k(x,x') = (1+x^{\top}x')^s$ on \mathbb{R}^p captures the difference in first s (mixed) moments only
- For a certain family of kernels (characteristic): $\text{MMD}_k(P, Q) = 0$ iff P = Q: Gaussian $\exp(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|z z'\|_2^2)$, Laplacian, inverse multiquadratics, $B_{2\,n+1}$ splines...
- Under mild assumptions, k-MMD metrizes weak* topology on probability measures (Sriperumbudur, 2010):

$$\mathsf{MMD}_k(P_n,P) \to 0 \Leftrightarrow P_n \leadsto P$$



Nonparametric two-sample tests

- Testing H_0 : P = Q vs. H_A : $P \neq Q$ based on samples $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^{n_x} \sim P$, $\{y_i\}_{i=1}^{n_y} \sim Q$.
- Test statistic is an estimate of $\mathrm{MMD}_k(P,Q) = \mathbb{E}_{XX'}k(X,X') + \mathbb{E}_{YY'}k(Y,Y') 2\mathbb{E}_{XY}k(X,Y)$:

$$\widehat{\text{MMD}}_{k} = \frac{1}{n_{x}(n_{x}-1)} \sum_{i \neq j} k(x_{i}, x_{j}) + \frac{1}{n_{y}(n_{y}-1)} \sum_{i \neq j} k(y_{i}, y_{j}) - \frac{2}{n_{x}n_{y}} \sum_{i,j} k(x_{i}, y_{j}).$$

- Degenerate U-statistic: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ -convergence to MMD under $\mathbf{H_A}$, $\frac{1}{n}$ -convergence to 0 under $\mathbf{H_0}$.
- $O(n^2)$ to compute $(n = n_x + n_y)$

Gretton et al (2009, 2012), Lloyd & Ghahramani (2014)

Nonparametric independence tests

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- H_A : X /⊥ Y

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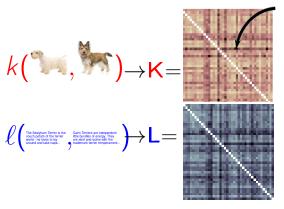
- $H_0: X \perp Y \Leftrightarrow P_{XY} = P_X P_Y$
- $H_A : X \perp \!\!\! \perp Y \Leftrightarrow P_{XY} \neq P_X P_Y$
- Test statistic:

$$\operatorname{HSIC}(X,Y) = \left\| \mu_{\kappa}(\hat{P}_{XY}) - \mu_{\kappa}(\hat{P}_{X}\hat{P}_{Y}) \right\|_{\mathcal{H}_{\kappa}}^{2},$$
 with $\kappa = k \otimes I$
Gretton et al (2005, 2008); Smola et al (2007)

 $k(\bigcirc,\bigcirc) \quad l(\bigcirc,\bigcirc)$ $\kappa(\bigcirc,\bigcirc) = 0$ $k(\bigcirc,\bigcirc) \times l(\bigcirc,\bigcirc)$

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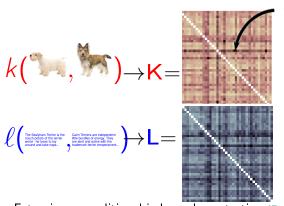
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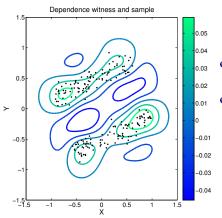
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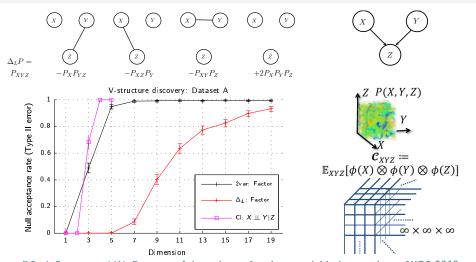
Extensions: conditional independence testing (Fukumizu, Gretton, Sun and Schölkopf, 2008; Zhang, Peters, Janzing and Schölkopf, 2011), three-variable interaction (DS, Gretton and Bergsma, 2013)

HSIC as integral probability metric



- $\|\mu_{\kappa}(P_{XY}) \mu_{\kappa}(P_{X}P_{Y})\|_{\mathcal{H}_{\kappa}} = \sup_{f} [\mathbb{E}_{XY}f(X,Y) \mathbb{E}_{X}\mathbb{E}_{Y}f(X,Y)]$
- witness lies in the unit ball of $\mathcal{H}_{\kappa} = \mathcal{H}_{k} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{l}$, the RKHS of functions on $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$

Three-variable interaction and V-structure discovery



- DS, A.Gretton and W. Bergsma, A kernel test for three-variable interactions, NIPS 2013.

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Test threshold

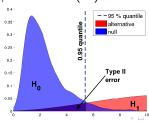
• under H_0 : P = Q:

$$\textstyle \frac{n_x n_y}{n_x + n_y} \widehat{\mathsf{MMD}}_k \leadsto \sum_{r=1}^\infty \lambda_r \left(Z_r^2 - 1 \right), \quad \left\{ Z_r \right\} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0,1)$$

• $\{\lambda_r\}$ depend on both k and P: eigenvalues of $T: L_2 \to L_2$,

$$(\mathsf{T} f)(x) \mapsto \int f(x') \underbrace{\tilde{k}(x,x')}_{\mathsf{centred}} d\mathsf{P}(x').$$

- expensive threshold computation:
 - Estimate leading λ_r 's (eigendecomposition of the kernel matrix): $O(n^3)$
 - Permutation test: #shuffles \times $O(n^2)$



Limited data, unlimited time

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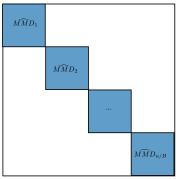
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• Complexity: $O(n^2)$.



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- Process mini-batches of size $B = B_x + B_y$ at a time: $\hat{\eta}_k = \frac{B}{n} \sum_{b=1}^{n/B} \widehat{MMD}_{k,b}$
- Complexity: $O(nB) = \frac{n}{B} \times O(B^2)$
- Provided $B/n \to 0$: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ -convergence to MMD under H_A , $\frac{1}{\sqrt{nB}}$ -convergence to 0 under H_0 .
- A.Gretton, B.Sriperumbudur, DS, H.Strathmann, S.Balakrishnan, M.Pontil and K.Fukumizu, Optimal kernel choice for large-scale two-sample tests, *NIPS* 2012.
- W. Zaremba, A. Gretton, M. Blaschko, **B-test: A Non-Parametric, Low Variance Kernel Two-Sample Test**, *NIPS* 2013.

Null distribution

$$\frac{n_{x}n_{y}}{\left(n_{x}+n_{y}\right)^{3/2}}\sqrt{B}\hat{\eta}_{k} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{N}\left(0,\sigma_{k}^{2}\right) \text{ under } \mathbf{H_{0}}.$$

• σ_k^2 (depends on k and P) can be unbiasedly estimated on each block b in $O(B^2)$ time:

$$\widehat{(\sigma_k^2)}^{(b)} = \frac{2}{B(B-3)} \left[\left(\dot{\mathbf{K}}^{(b)} \circ \dot{\mathbf{K}}^{(b)} \right)_{++} + \frac{\left(\dot{\mathbf{K}}^{(b)}_{++} \right)^2}{(B-1)(B-2)} - \frac{2}{B-2} \left(\left(\dot{\mathbf{K}}^{(b)} \right)^2 \right)_{++} \right],$$

where $\dot{\mathbf{K}}^{(b)} = \mathbf{K}^{(b)} - \text{diag}(\mathbf{K}^{(b)})$, and A_{++} denotes the sum of all elements of matrix A.

- Alternatively, track empirical variance of $\left\{\widehat{\mathsf{MMD}}_{k,b}\right\}_{b=1}^{n/B}$.
- No need for permutation testing.



Full statistic vs. mini-batch statistic

	<i>U</i> -statistic	mini-batch
time	$O(n^2)$	O(nB)
storage	$O(n^2)$	$O(B^2)$
null distribution	infinite sum of chi-squares	normal
computing p-value	$O(n^3)$ or $\#$ shuffles $ imes O(n^2)$	O(nB)
H_0 -convergence rate	1/n	$1/\sqrt{nB}$

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Hard-to-detect differences: Gaussian blobs

Difficult problems: lengthscale of the *difference* in distributions not the same as that of the distributions.

Distinguish grids of Gaussian blobs with different covariances.

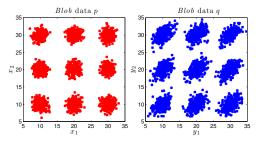


Figure : 3×3 blobs, ratio $\varepsilon = 3.2$ of largest-to-smallest eigenvalues of blobs in Q.

 Setting the bandwidth to median interpoint distance heuristic (often used in practice) "oversmooths" the distributions and misses the difference.

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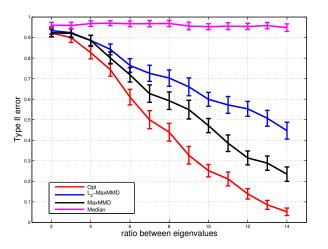


Figure : m=10,000; family generated by gaussian kernels with bandwiths $\{2^{-5},\ldots,2^{15}\}$.

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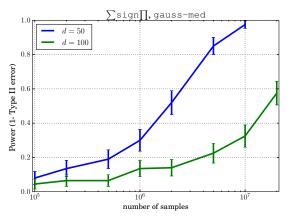
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Experiment: Independence Test $(\sum sign \Pi)$

• $X \sim \mathcal{N}\left(0, I_d\right)$, $Y = \sqrt{\frac{2}{d}} \sum_{j=1}^{d/2} \operatorname{sign}\left(X_{2j-1}X_{2j}\right) |Z_j| + Z_{\frac{d}{2}+1}$, where $Z \sim \mathcal{N}\left(0, I_{\frac{d}{2}+1}\right)$



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Shogun



- Written in C++ with interfaces to Python, Matlab, Java, R.
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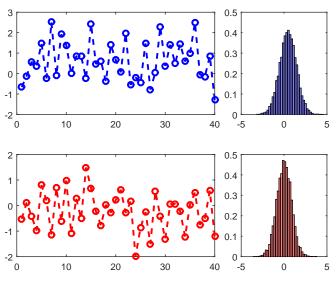


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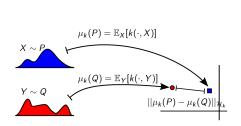
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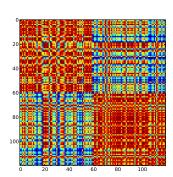
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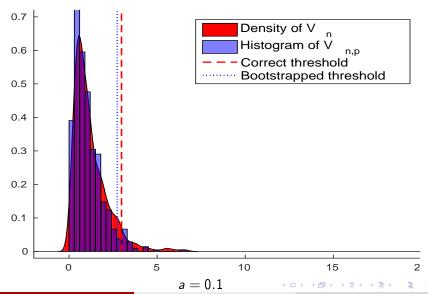
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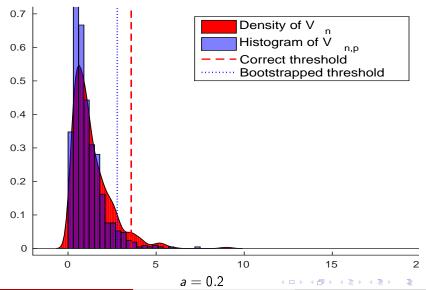
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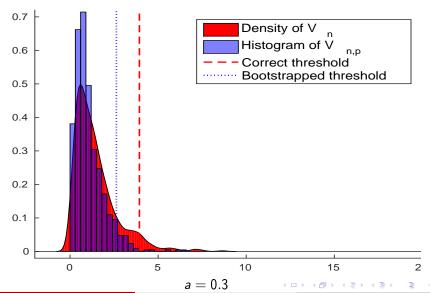
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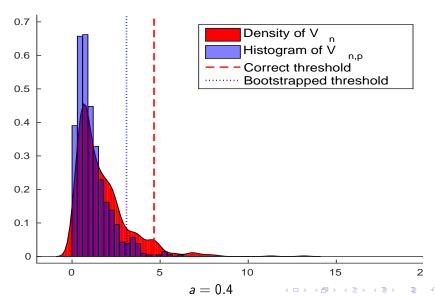


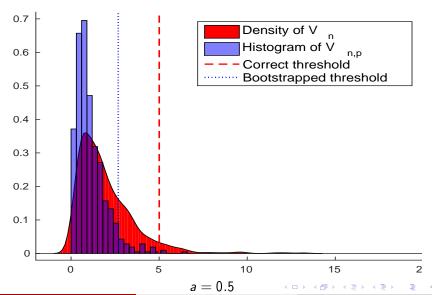


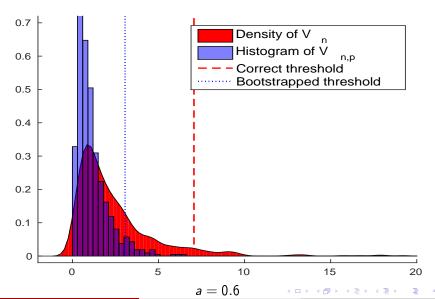


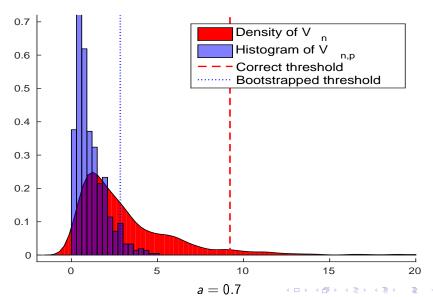


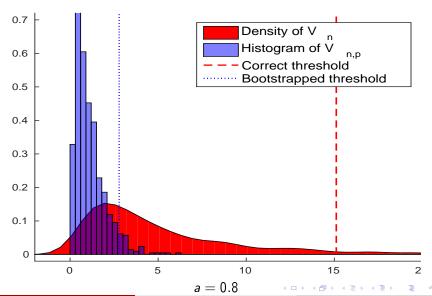












Wild Bootstrap

Wild bootstrap process (Leucht and Neumann, 2013):

$$W_{t,n} = e^{-1/l_n} W_{t-1,n} + \sqrt{1 - e^{-2/l_n}} \epsilon_t$$
 where $W_{0,n}, \epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n \overset{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0,1)$, and $\tilde{W}_{t,n} = W_{t,n} - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n W_{j,n}$.

$$\begin{split} \widehat{\mathsf{MMD}}_{k,wb} &:= \frac{1}{n_x^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_x} \sum_{j=1}^{n_x} \tilde{W}_{i,n_x}^{(x)} \tilde{W}_{j,n_x}^{(x)} k(x_i, x_j) - \frac{1}{n_x^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_y} \sum_{j=1}^{n_y} \tilde{W}_{i,n_y}^{(y)} \tilde{W}_{j,n_y}^{(y)} k(y_i, y_j) \\ &- \frac{2}{n_x n_y} \sum_{i=1}^{n_x} \sum_{j=1}^{n_y} \tilde{W}_{i,n_x}^{(x)} \tilde{W}_{j,n_y}^{(y)} k(x_i, y_j). \end{split}$$

Theorem (Chwialkowski, S. and Gretton, 2014)

Let k be bounded and Lipschitz continuous, and let $\{X_t\} \sim P$ and $\{Y_t\} \sim Q$ both be τ -dependent with $\tau(r) = O(r^{-6-\epsilon})$, but independent of each other. Then, under $\mathbf{H}_0: P = Q$, $\varphi\left(\frac{n_x n_y}{n_x + n_y}\widehat{MMD}_k, \frac{n_x n_y}{n_x + n_y}\widehat{MMD}_{k,b}\right) \overset{P}{\to} 0$ as $n_x, n_y \to \infty$, where φ is the Prokhorov metric.

Embeddings in Mercer's Expansion

Mercer's Expansion

For a compact metric space \mathcal{X} , and a continous kernel k,

$$k(x,y) = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \lambda_r \Phi_r(x) \Phi_r(y),$$

with $\{\lambda_r, \Phi_r\}_{r\geq 1}$ eigenvalue, eigenfunction pairs of $f\mapsto \int f(x)k(\cdot,x)dP(x)$ on $L_2(P)$.

$$\mathcal{H}_k \ni k(\cdot, x) \leftrightarrow \left\{ \sqrt{\lambda_r} \Phi_r(x) \right\} \in \ell_2$$

 $\mathcal{H}_k \ni \mu_k(P) \leftrightarrow \left\{ \sqrt{\lambda_r} \mathbb{E} \Phi_r(X) \right\} \in \ell_2$

$$\left\| \mu_k(\hat{P}) - \mu_k(\hat{Q}) \right\|_{\mathcal{H}_k}^2 = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \lambda_r \left(\frac{1}{n_x} \sum_{t=1}^{n_x} \Phi_r(X_t) - \frac{1}{n_y} \sum_{t=1}^{n_y} \Phi_r(Y_t) \right)^2$$

Wild Bootstrap

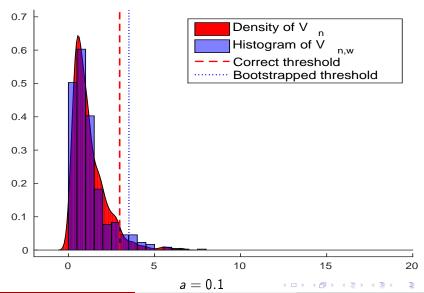
- $\rho_X = n_X/n$, $\rho_y = n_y/n$
- $\{W_{t,n}\}_{1 \leq t \leq n}$, $\mathbb{E}W_{t,n} = 0$, $\mathbb{E}[W_{t,n}W_{t',n}] = \zeta\left(\frac{|t'-t|}{\ell_n}\right)$, with $\lim_{u \to 0} \zeta(u) \to 1$

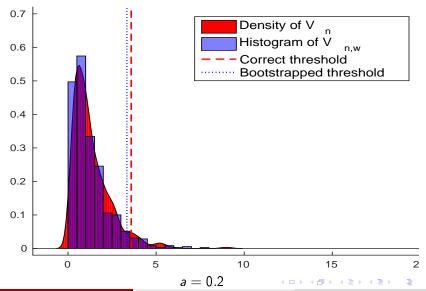
$$\rho_{x}\rho_{y}\widehat{\mathsf{nMMD}}_{k} = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \lambda_{r} \left(\sqrt{\rho_{y}} \sum_{t=1}^{n_{x}} \frac{\Phi_{r}(X_{t})}{\sqrt{n_{x}}} - \sqrt{\rho_{x}} \sum_{t=1}^{n_{y}} \frac{\Phi_{r}(Y_{t})}{\sqrt{n_{y}}} \right)^{2}$$

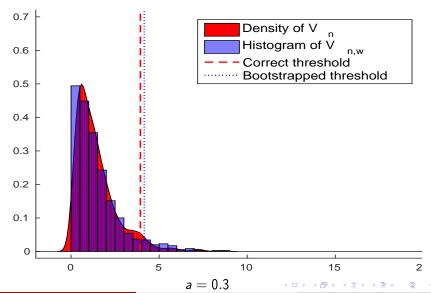
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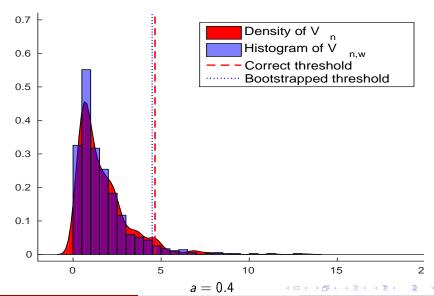
• $\mathbb{E}\left[\Phi_r(X_1)W_{1,n}\Phi_s(X_t)W_{t,n}\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\Phi_r(X_1)\Phi_s(X_t)\right]\zeta\left(\frac{|t-1|}{\ell_n}\right)\underset{n\to\infty}{\longrightarrow} \mathbb{E}\left[\Phi_r(X_1)\Phi_s(X_t)\right], \ \forall t,r,s \ \text{provided dependence between} \ X_1 \ \text{and} \ X_t$ "disappears fast enough" (a τ -mixing condition).

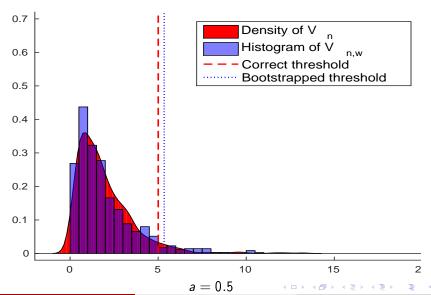


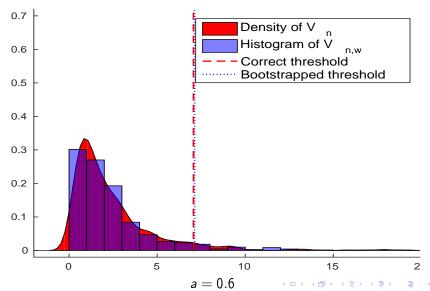


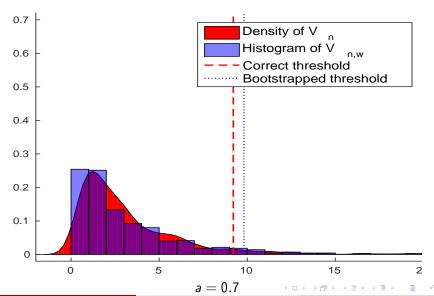


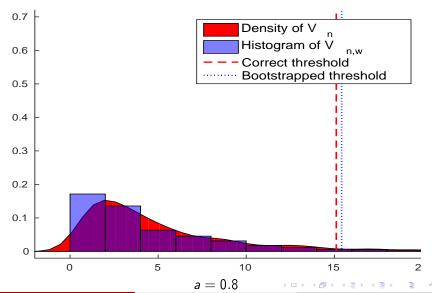






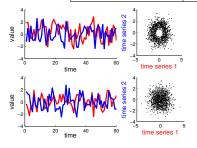


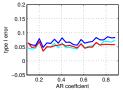


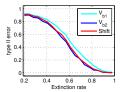


Test calibration for dependent observations

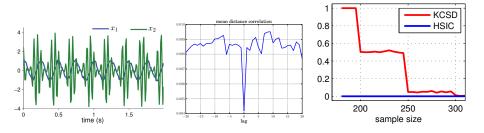
Two-sample test	experiment \ method	perm.	wild
MCMC diagnostics	i.i.d. vs i.i.d. (H ₀)	.040	.012
	i.i.d. vs Gibbs (H ₀)	.528	.052
	Gibbs vs Gibbs (H ₀)	.680	.060







Time Series Coupled at a Lag



$$X_{t} = \cos(\phi_{t,1}), \qquad \phi_{t,1} = \phi_{t-1,1} + 0.1\epsilon_{1,t} + 2\pi f_{1}T_{s}, \quad \epsilon_{1,t} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0,1),$$

$$Y_{t} = [2 + C\sin(\phi_{t,1})]\cos(\phi_{t,2}), \quad \phi_{t,2} = \phi_{t-1,2} + 0.1\epsilon_{2,t} + 2\pi f_{2}T_{s}, \quad \epsilon_{2,t} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0,1).$$

Parameters: C = 0.4, $f_1 = 4Hz$, $f_2 = 20Hz$, $\frac{1}{T_2} = 100Hz$.

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- Interdependent data lead to incorrect Type I control for kernel tests (too many false positives).
- Consistency of a wild bootstrap procedure under weak long-range dependencies (τ -mixing), applicable to both two-sample and independence tests
- Applications: MCMC diagnostics, time series dependence across multiple lags

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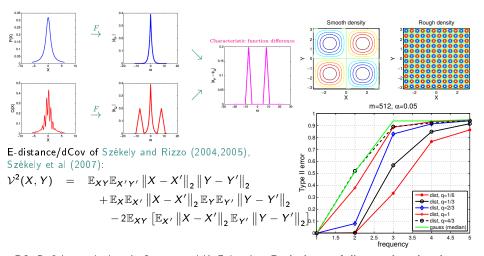
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Advantages of the linear time MMD vs quadratic time MMD

- Very simple asymptotic null distribution (a Gaussian, vs an infinite weighted sum of χ^2)
- Both test statistic and threshold computable in O(n), with storage O(1) (if B = const).
- Given unlimited data, a given Type II error can be attained with less computation

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