

Identifying stable CPD/CMTF components
via low-rank graph approximation.

A step-by-step guide.

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Clustering: bird's eye view

1. Run an R-component tensor factorization N times
2. Construct a large $(NR) \times (NR)$ matrix with pairwise component similarity
3. Estimate a low-rank ($=Q$) approximation to this matrix via an EVD
4. Perform clustering in the Q-dimensional eigenspace
5. Verify which components fall within the same clusters

Cfr. accompanying slides presented at the 27th European Signal Processing Conference (EUSIPCO), A Coruña, Spain, Sep 2019

Experiment with synthetic data

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params.clust.Xin = 'thresh';
params.clust.maxcost = 0.05;
params.clust.roundperm = 'avglink';

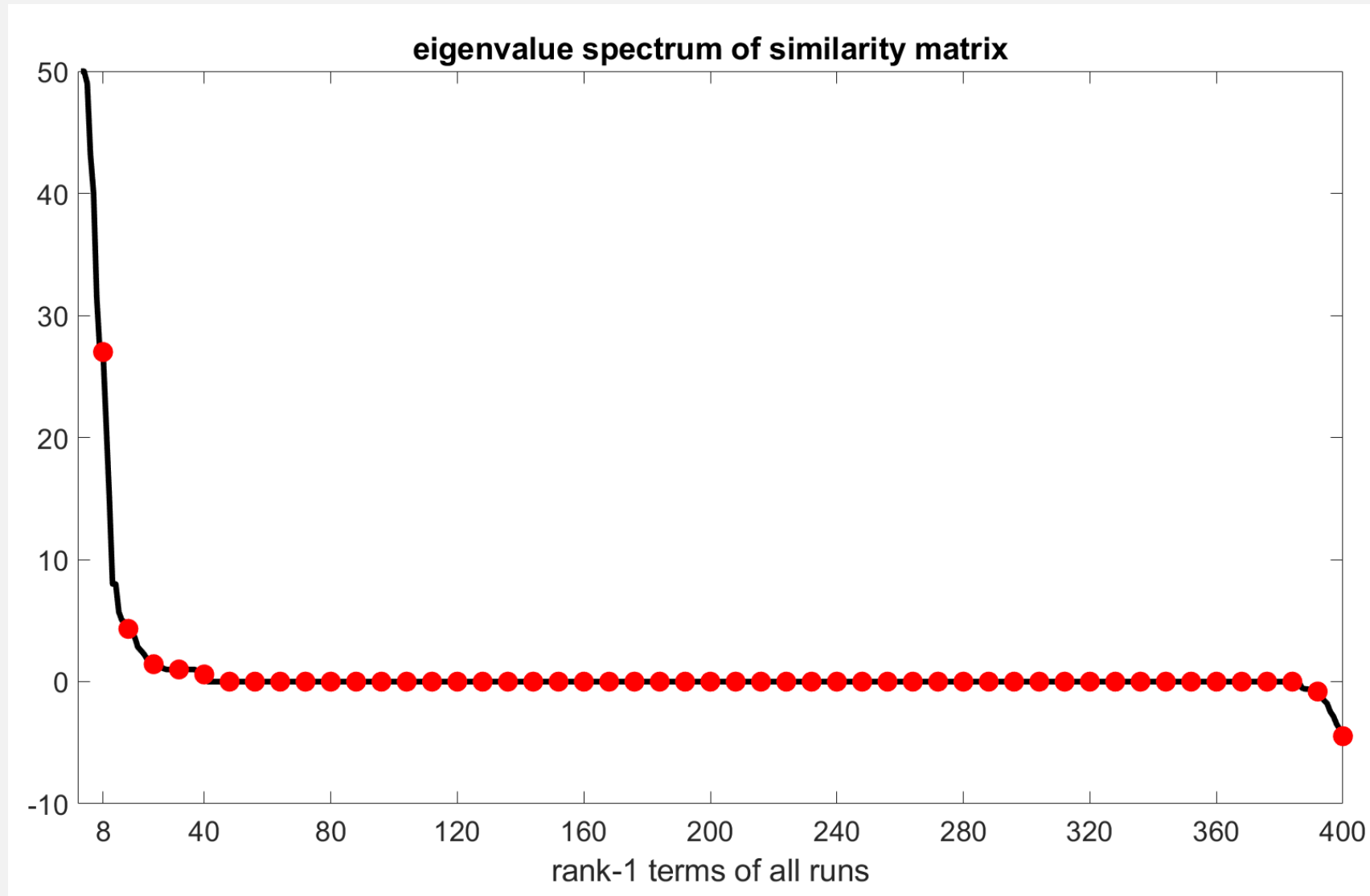
[ similarity , solinfo , sols ] =
    factorizationclustering( sol , 1:getorder(T)
                           , params.clust );
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obtain a binary similarity matrix by
thresholding the continuous similarity scores

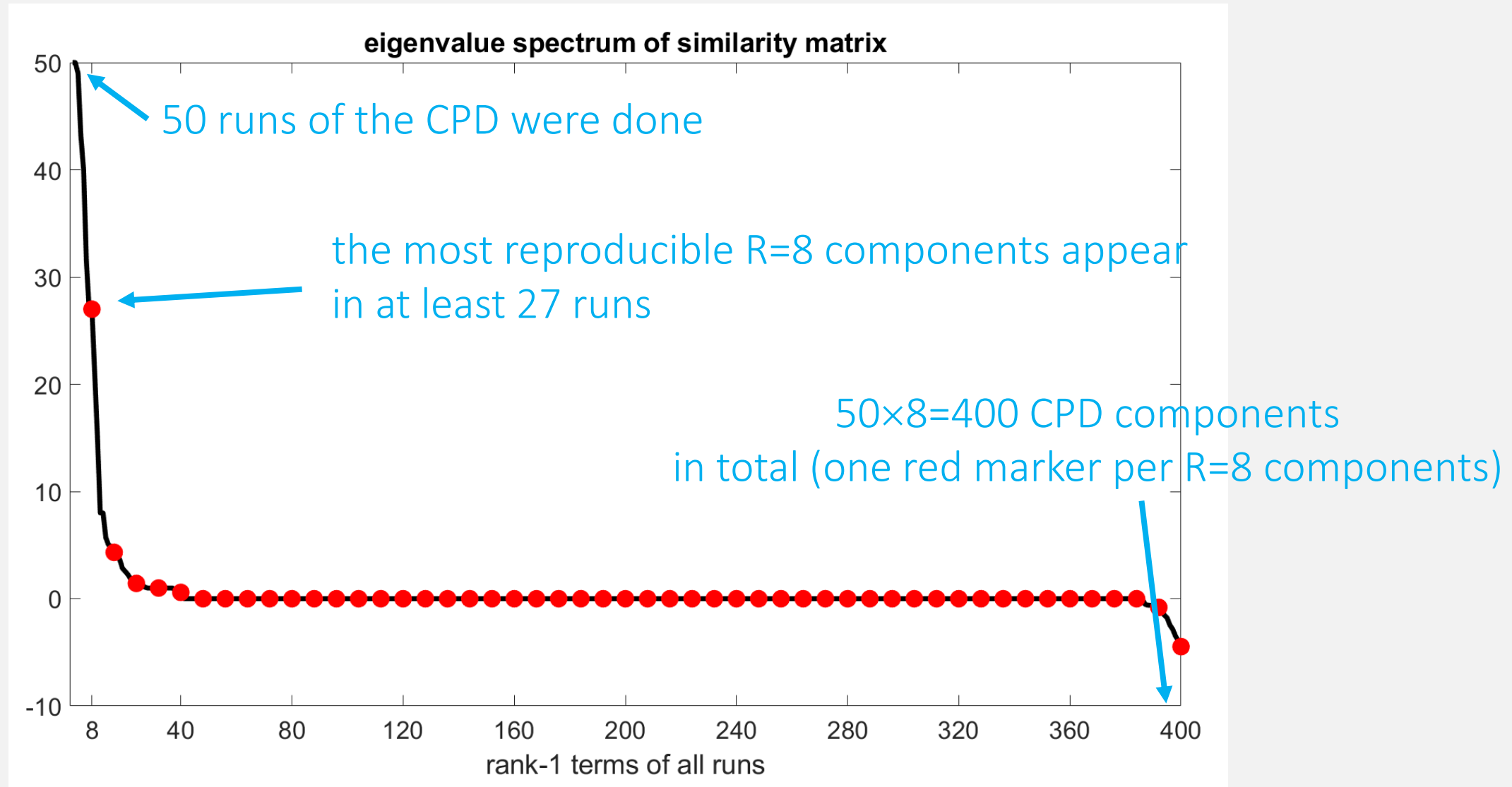
threshold = 1 – maximum 'cost'

clustering criterion in eigenspace

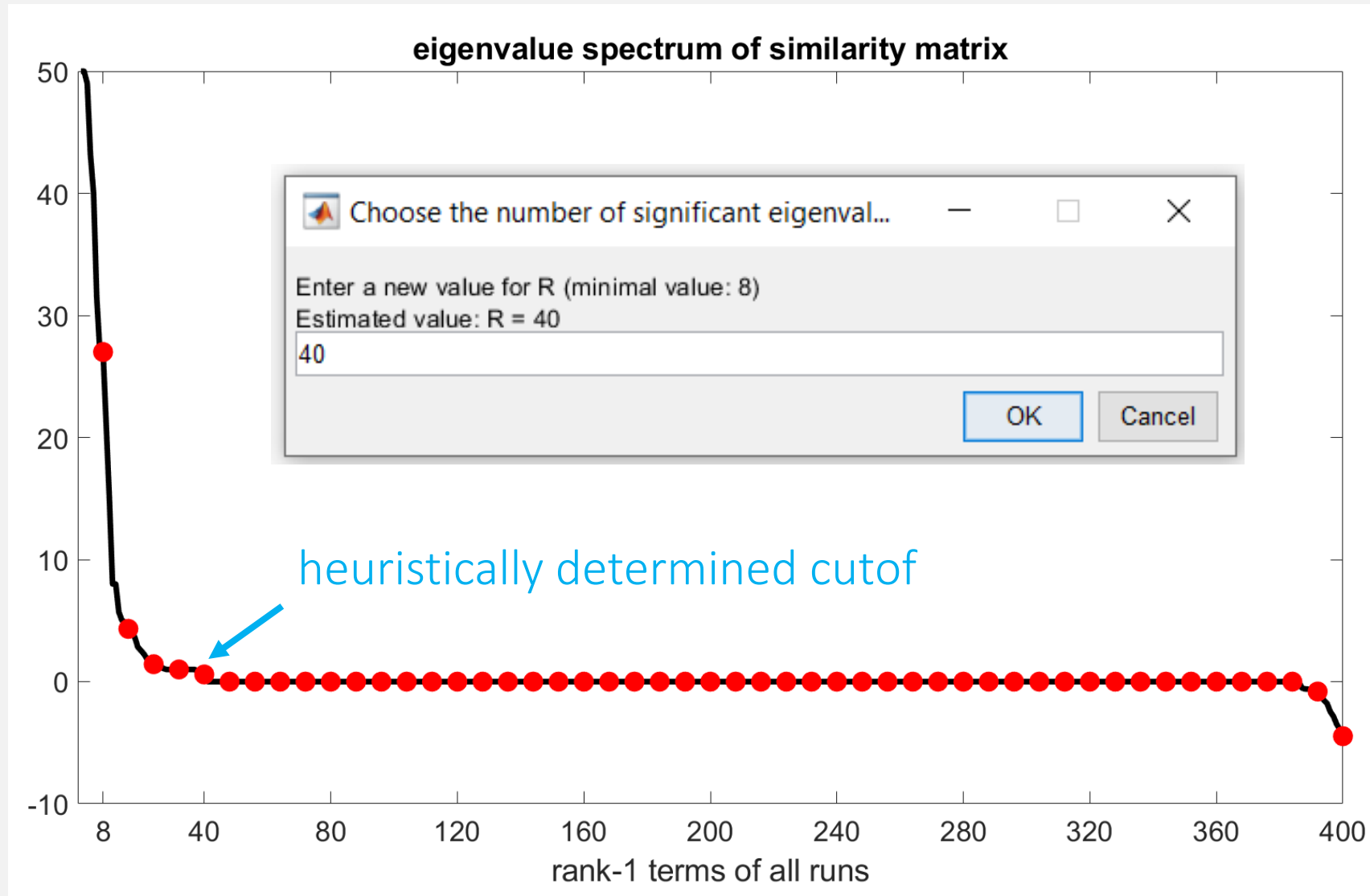
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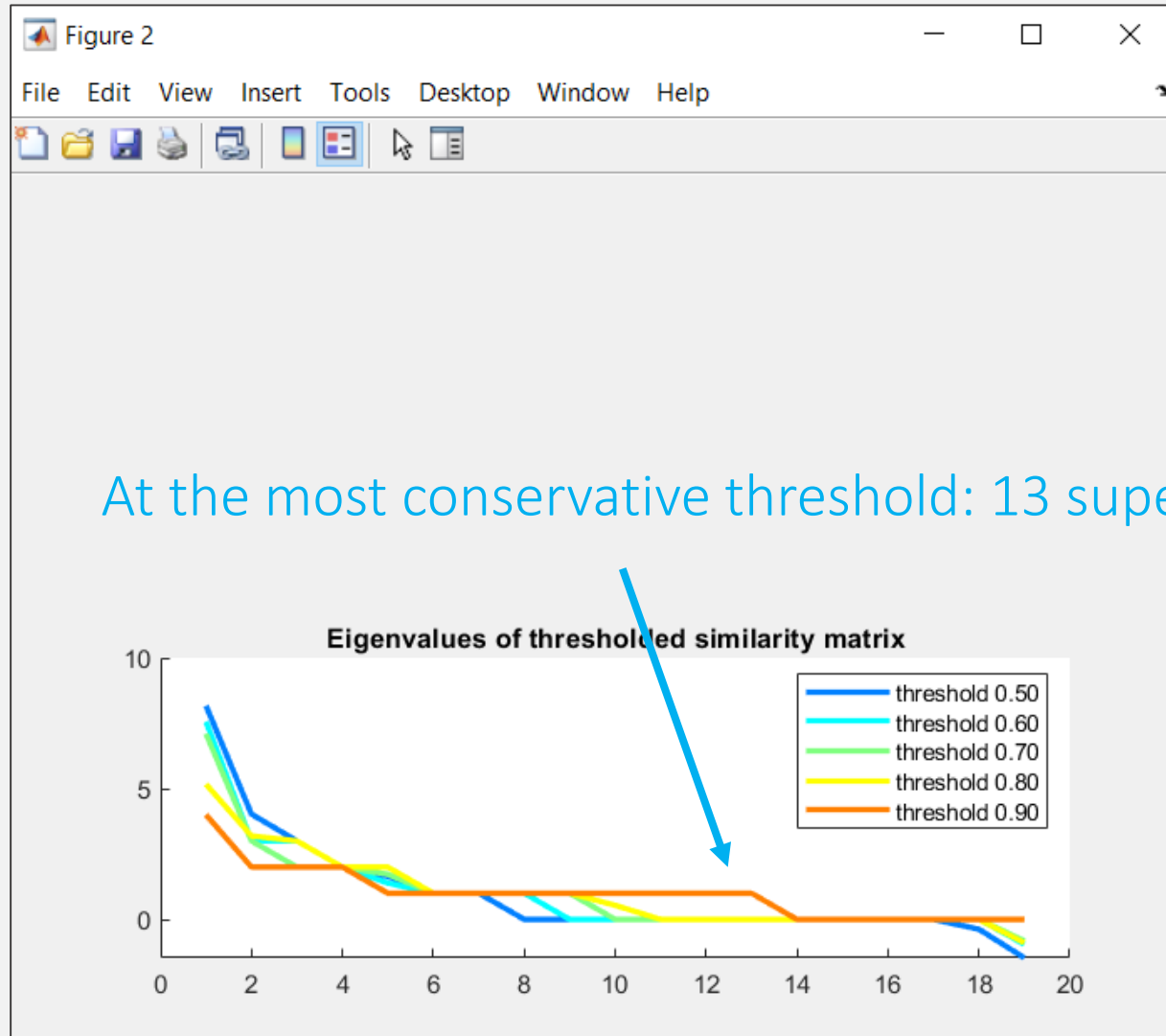
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Where are we at this point?

- components are individually clustered into ‘cliques’
(i.e., each clique is a ‘club’ of very similar components from different runs)
- At a higher abstraction level, we want to know which of those cliques have members from (almost) the same set of runs
(e.g., one might expect that in a perfect world, components appear together in groups of size R , the rank of the factorization)
- I.e., the cliques themselves can be clustered into ‘supercliques’
- Example 1: if the factorization converges to the same rank- R solution in every run, the number of cliques is R , and the number of supercliques is 1.

Clustering the cliques



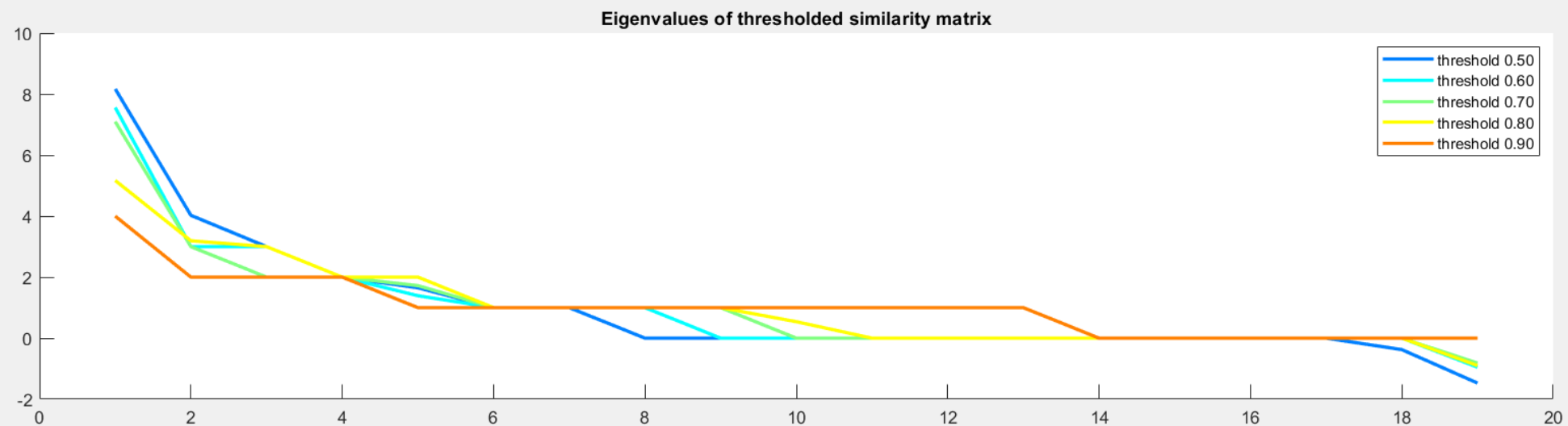
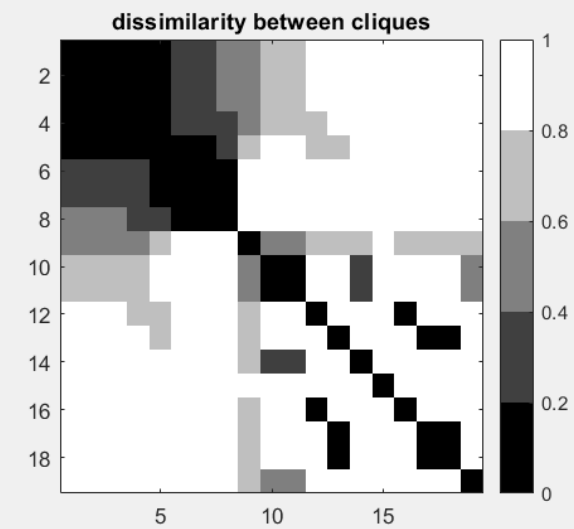
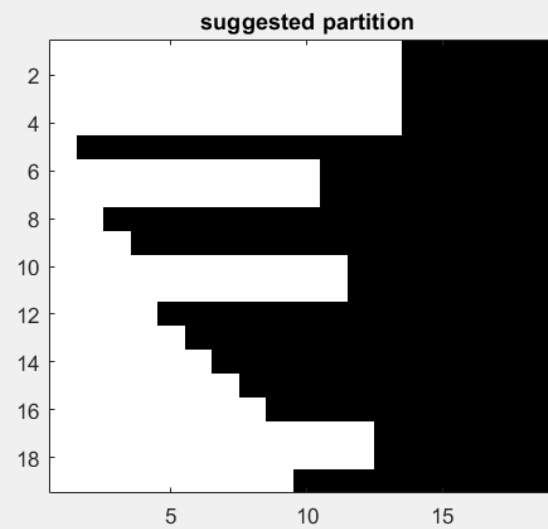
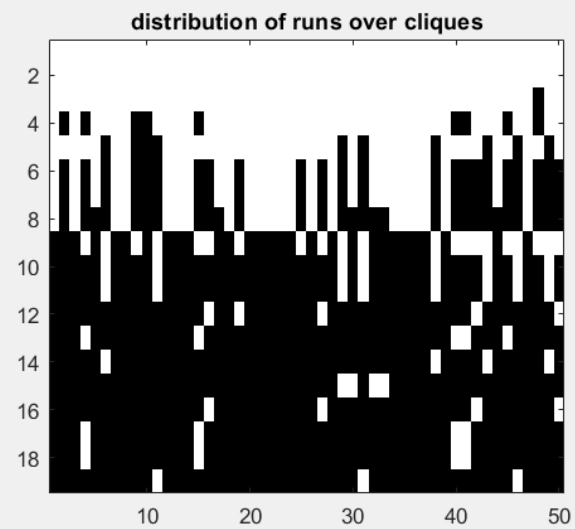


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1 cross-section = 1 clique

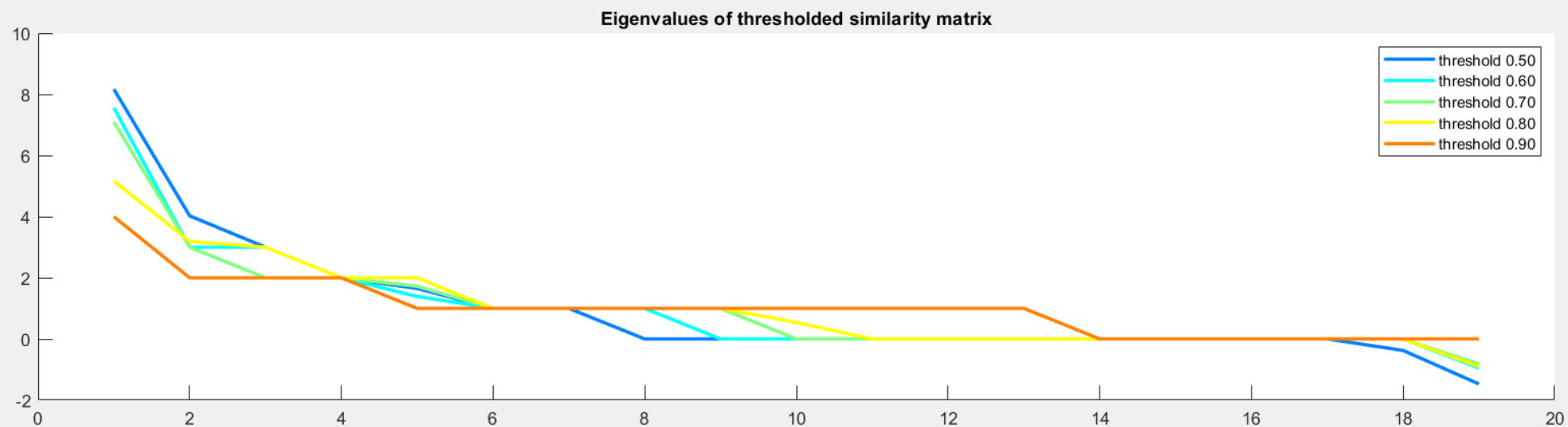
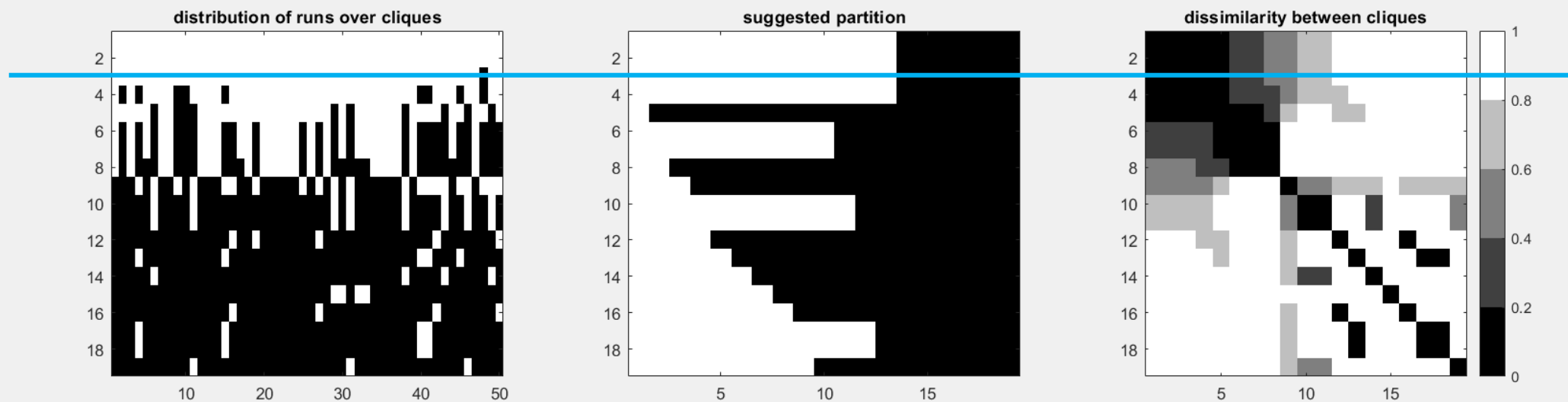


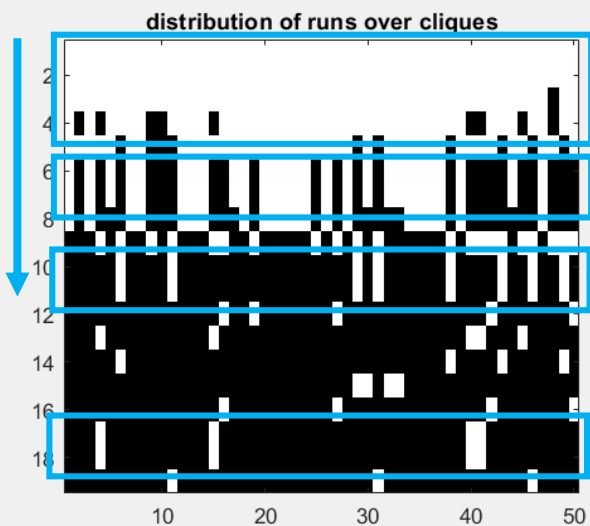
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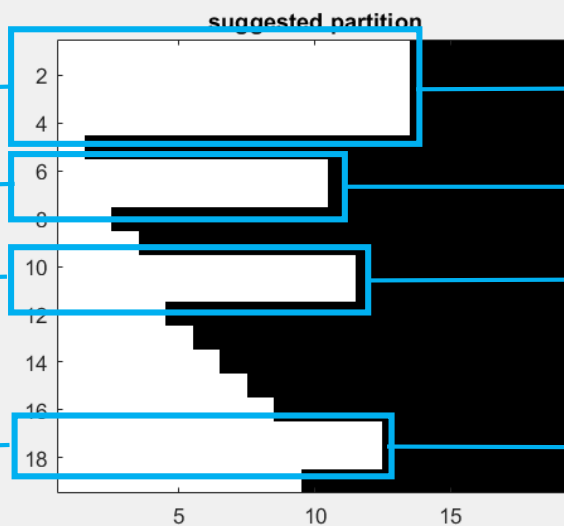


clustering in supercliques

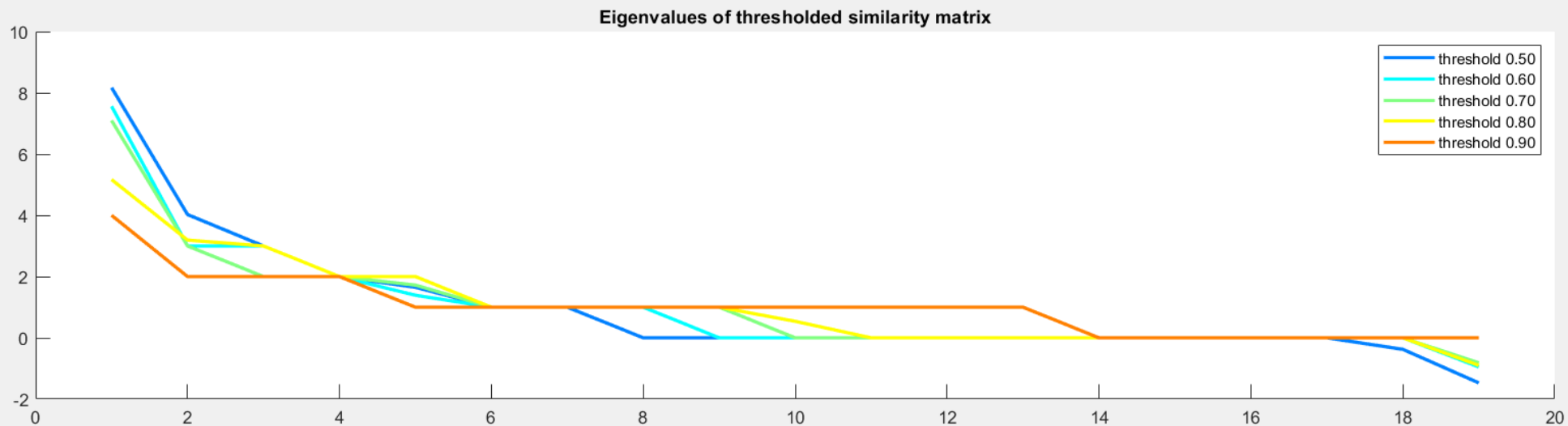
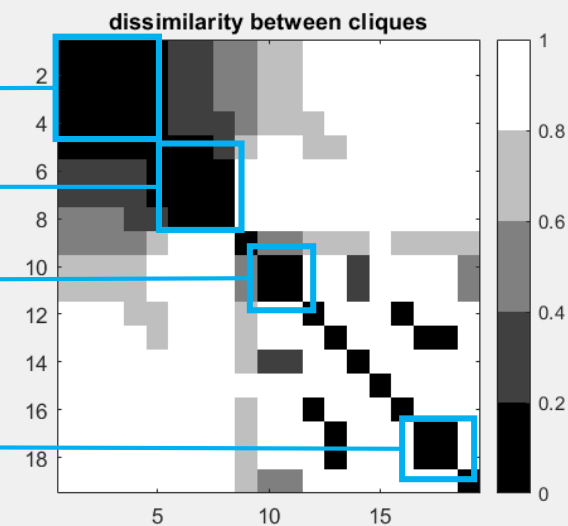
cliques



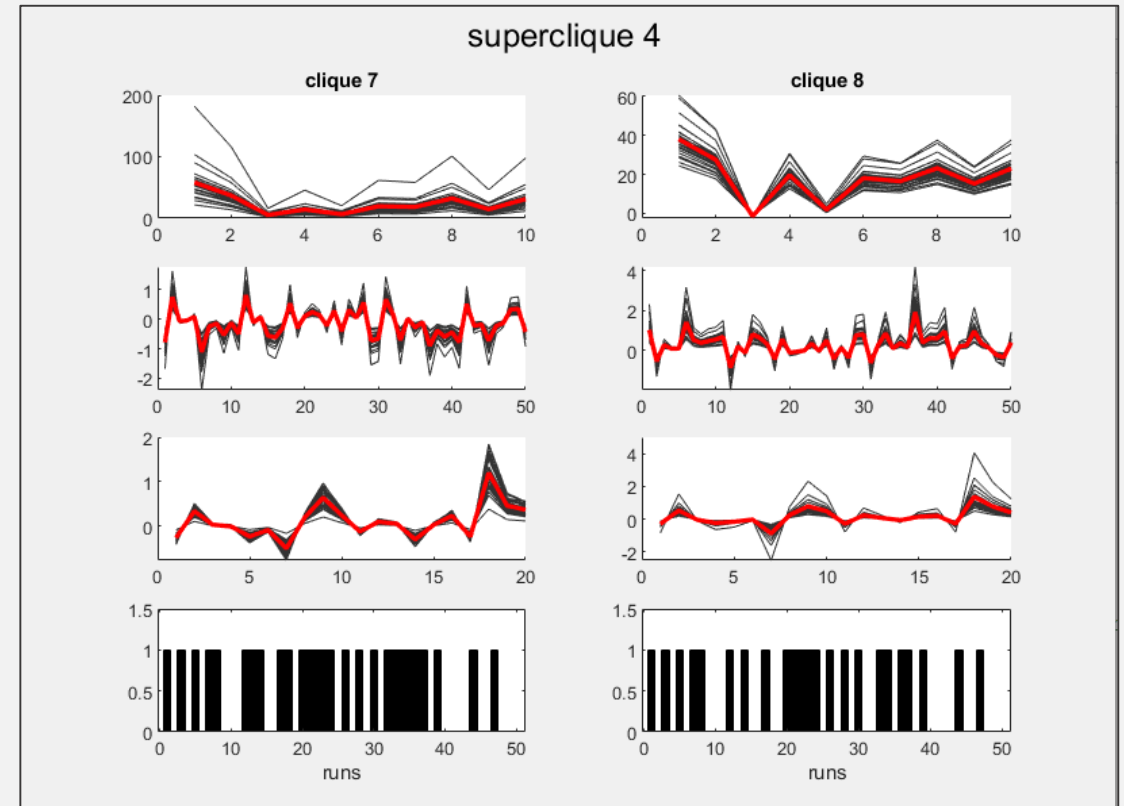
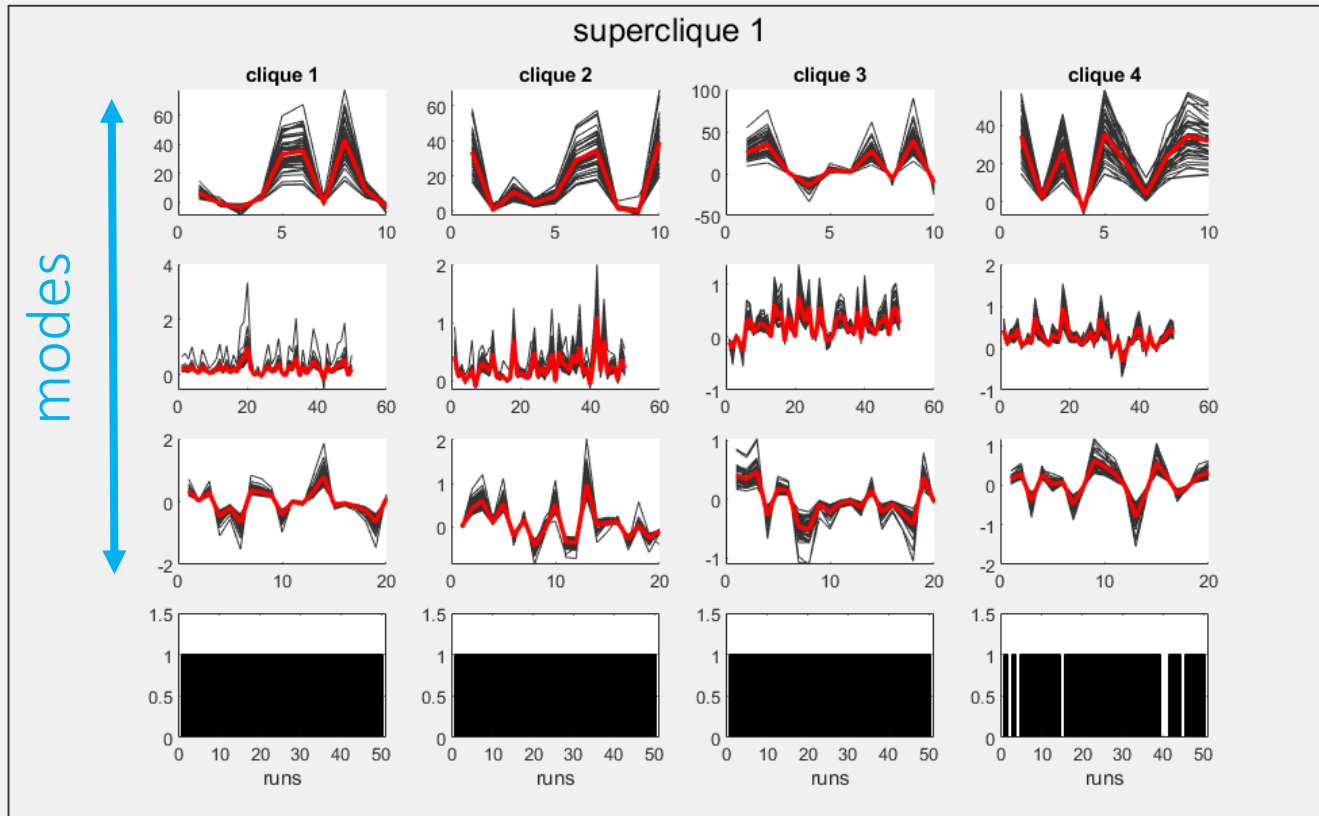
runs



superclique label



Examples of clustering at both levels



Final notes

- Interpretation of solution quality: up to the user... 😊
- For coupled factorizations: concatenate the factors into one cell array
- SNR of the data may determine a proper similarity threshold
very clean data: high threshold (stringent),
low-quality data: low threshold (admissive)
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