

Structured Data: Dependency, Testing

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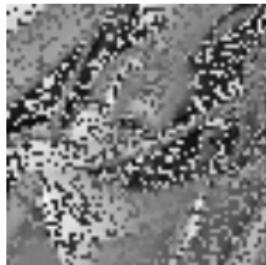
Outline

- Motivation:
 - Objective functions: from dependency measures.
 - Testing.
- Kernel, RKHS.
- Kernel Canonical Correlation Analysis.
- Mean embedding:
 - Characteristic property,
 - Universality.
- Maximum mean discrepancy.
- Cross-covariance operator, HSIC.
- Hypothesis testing.

Dependency Measures as Objective Functions

Outlier-robust image registration [Kybic, 2004, Neemuchwala et al., 2007]

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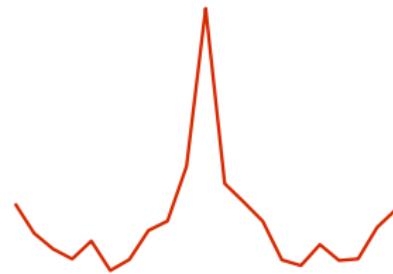
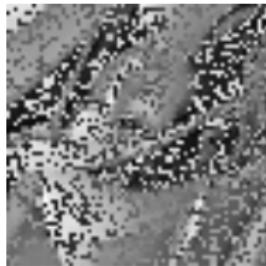


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Outlier-robust image registration: equations

- Reference image: \mathbf{y}_{ref} ,
- test image: \mathbf{y}_{test} ,
- possible transformations: Θ .

Objective:

$$J(\theta) = \underbrace{I(\mathbf{y}_{\text{ref}}, \mathbf{y}_{\text{test}}(\theta))}_{\text{similarity}} \rightarrow \max_{\theta \in \Theta}$$

In the example: $I=KCCA$.

Independent Subspace Analysis [Cardoso, 1998]

Cocktail party problem:

- independent groups of people / music bands,
- observation = mixed sources.



ISA equations

Observation:

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}_t, \quad \mathbf{s} = [\mathbf{s}^1; \dots; \mathbf{s}^M].$$

Goal: $\hat{\mathbf{s}}$ from $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_T\}$. Assumptions:

- independent groups: $I(\mathbf{s}^1, \dots, \mathbf{s}^M) = 0$,
- \mathbf{s}^m -s: non-Gaussian,
- \mathbf{A} : invertible.

Find \mathbf{W} which makes the estimated components independent:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Wx} = \left[\mathbf{y}^1; \dots; \mathbf{y}^M \right],$$
$$J(\mathbf{W}) = I\left(\mathbf{y}^1, \dots, \mathbf{y}^M\right) \rightarrow \min_{\mathbf{W}}.$$

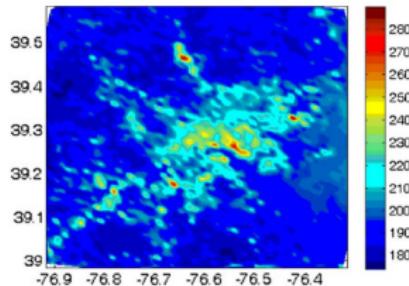
Distribution regression

[Póczos et al., 2013, Szabó et al., 2016]. Sustainability

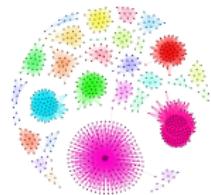
- **Goal:** aerosol prediction = air pollution → climate.



- Prediction using labelled bags:
 - bag := multi-spectral satellite measurements over an area,
 - label := local aerosol value.



Objects in the bags

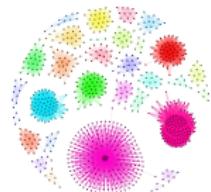


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Challenge

Inner product of distributions: $K(\mu_{\hat{P}_i}, \mu_{\hat{P}_j}) = ?$

Feature selection

- **Goal:** find
 - the feature subset (# of rooms, criminal rate, local taxes)
 - most relevant for house price prediction (y).



Feature selection: equations

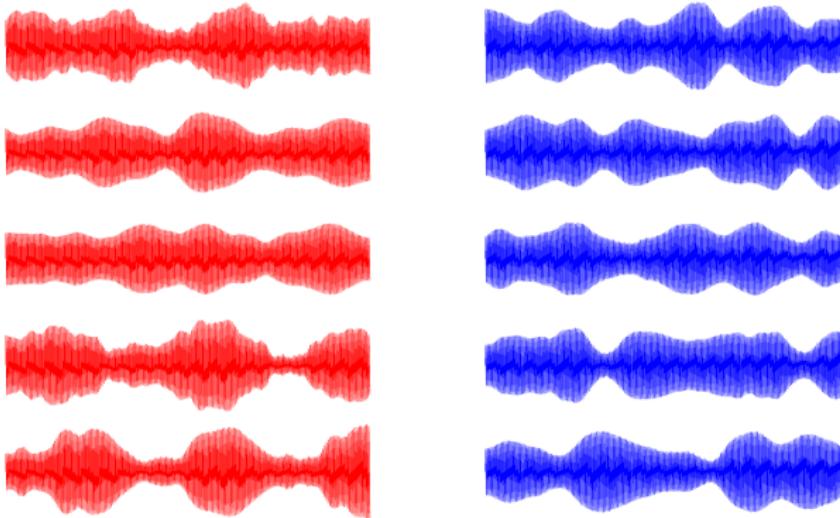
- Features: x^1, \dots, x^F . Subset: $S \subseteq \{1, \dots, F\}$
- MaxRelevance - MinRedundancy principle [Peng et al., 2005]:

$$J(S) = \frac{1}{|S|} \sum_{i \in S} I(x^i, y) - \frac{1}{|S|^2} \sum_{i, j \in S} I(x^i, x^j) \rightarrow \max_{S \subseteq \{1, \dots, F\}} .$$

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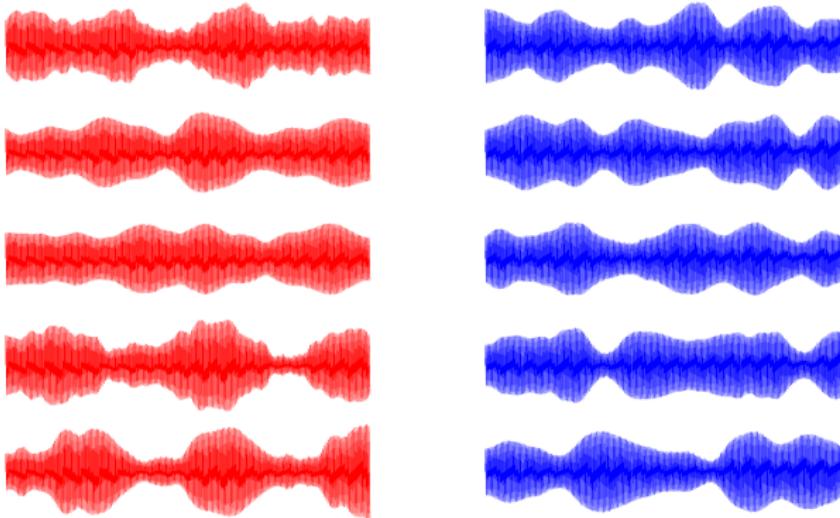
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Are the French paragraphs translations of the English ones, or have nothing to do with it, i.e. $\mathbb{P}_{XY} = \mathbb{P}_X \mathbb{P}_Y$?

We will use **kernels** to tackle these problems

They exist essentially **on any data type**:

- images, texts, graphs, time series, dynamical systems, ...



- Estimators for
 - dependency measures (\ni KCCA),
 - distances on distributions (\ni MMD).
 - independence of random variables (\ni HSIC).
- Several demos. [Link](#):
 - Matlab: <https://bitbucket.org/szzoli/ite/>
 - Python: <https://bitbucket.org/szzoli/ite-in-python/>

Kernel Canonical Correlation Analysis (KCCA)

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 - $Q(\mathbb{P}_{xy})$ is well-defined,
 - $Q(\mathbb{P}_{xy}) \in [0, 1]$,
 - $Q(\mathbb{P}_{xy}) = 0$ iff. $x \perp y$.
 - $Q(\mathbb{P}_{xy}) = 1$ iff. $y = f(x)$ or $x = g(y)$.

- He showed:

$$Q(\mathbb{P}_{xy}) = \sup_{f,g: \text{ measurable}} \text{corr}(f(x), g(y)),$$

satisfies 1-4.

- Too ambitious:
 - computationally intractable.
 - many measurable functions.

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- Idea:
 - certain RKHS-s are dense in $C_b(\mathcal{X})$.
 - computationally tractable.

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$$\rho_{\text{KCCA}}(x, y; \mathcal{H}_k, \mathcal{H}_\ell) = \sup_{f \in \mathcal{H}_k, g \in \mathcal{H}_\ell} \text{corr}(f(x), g(y)),$$

$$\text{corr}(f(x), g(y)) = \frac{\text{cov}_{xy}(f(x), g(y))}{\sqrt{\text{var}_x f(x) \text{var}_y g(y)}}.$$

- Optimization domain: $\mathcal{H}_k \times \mathcal{H}_\ell \ni (f, g)$.
- By **reproducing property**: we will get a **finite-D task**.
- k, ℓ linear: standard CCA.
- In **practice**: we have $\{(x_n, y_n)\}_{n=1}^N$ samples from (x, y) .

KCCA: empirical estimate

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Key idea

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with the centered kernels $(\tilde{k}, \tilde{\ell})$ and Gram matrices $(\tilde{\mathbf{G}}_x, \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_y)$.

Until now

All the objective terms can be expressed by \mathbf{c} , \mathbf{d} , $\tilde{\mathbf{G}}_x$, $\tilde{\mathbf{G}}_y$.

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Normalization:

- (\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}) : solution $\Rightarrow (a\mathbf{c}, b\mathbf{d})$: solution $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, \neq 0$.
- denominators := 1.

KCCA: final task

Find the maximal eigenvalue, $\lambda := \mathbf{c}^T \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_x \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_y \mathbf{d}$, of the generalized eigenvalue problem:

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- For consistent KCCA estimate:
 - $\kappa_N \rightarrow 0$ [Leurgans et al., 1993] (spline-RKHS),
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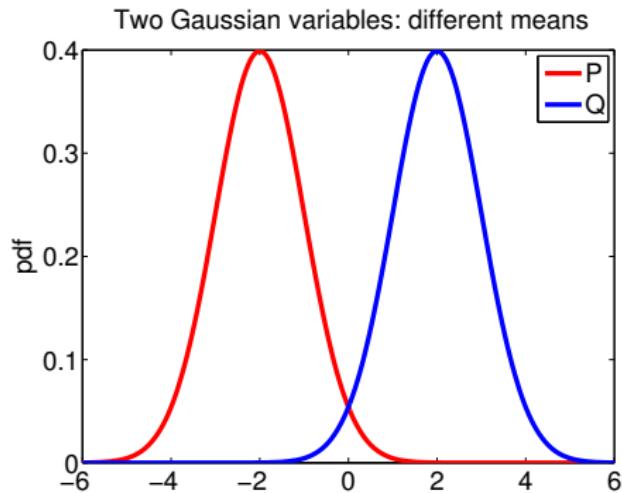
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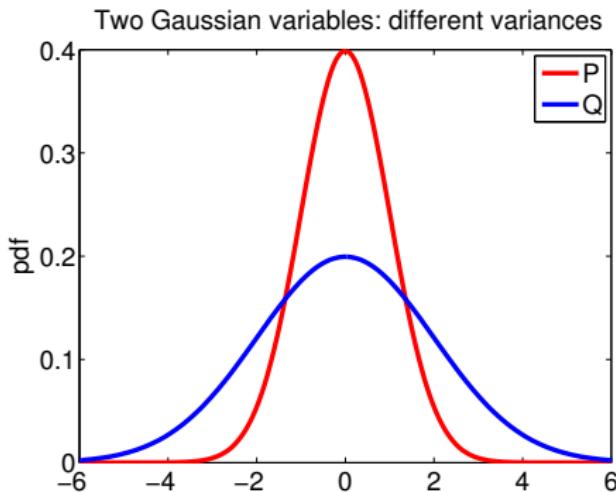
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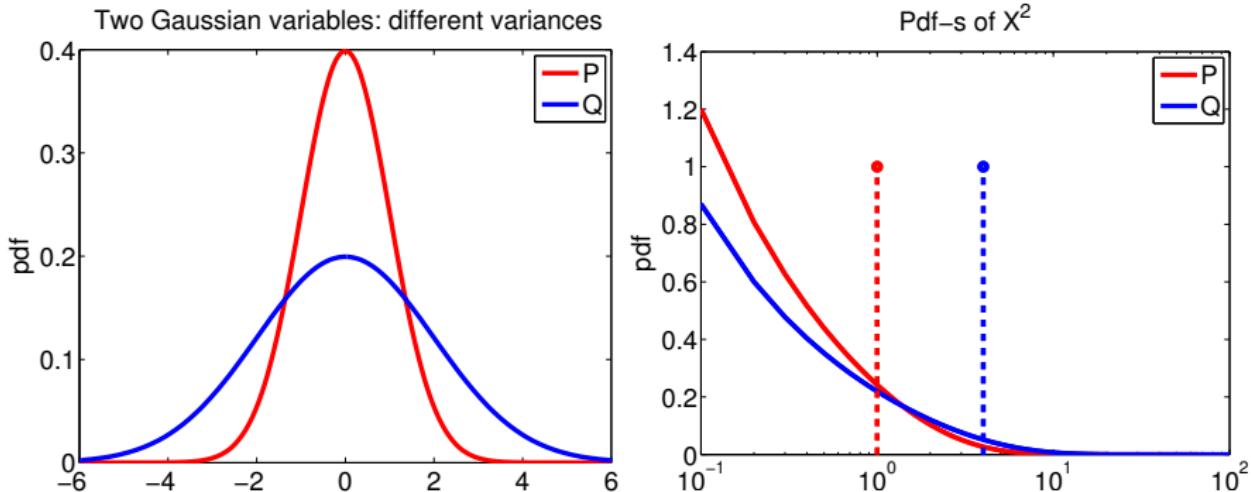
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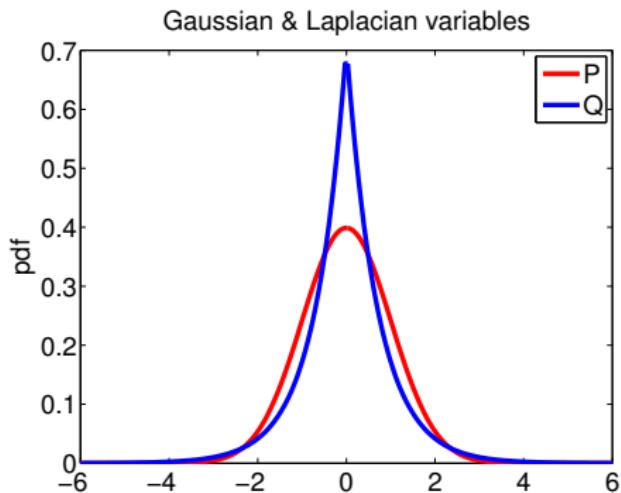
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Let us consider feature representations!

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In short

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Mean embedding: \exists , $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}$ -reproducing property

Given:

- $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{A})$ measurable space,
- $k : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ kernel.

Theorem

$\mu_{\mathbb{P}} := \int_{\mathcal{X}} k(\cdot, x) d\mathbb{P}(x)$ exists, $\mu_{\mathbb{P}} \in \mathcal{H}_k$, and

$$\mathbb{P}f := \mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mathbb{P}} f(x) = \langle f, \mu_{\mathbb{P}} \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_k} \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{H}_k$$

under mild conditions:

- $\mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mathbb{P}} \sqrt{k(x, x)} < \infty$, and
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Mean embedding: specific cases

For

- $k(x, x') = e^{\langle x, x' \rangle}$: $\mu_{\mathbb{P}}$ = moment generating function of \mathbb{P} .
- $k(x, y) = e^{i\langle x, y \rangle}$: $\mu_{\mathbb{P}}$ = characteristic function of \mathbb{P} .
 - Only formally: $k(x, y) = k(y, x)^*$ fails.
- $\mathbb{P} = \delta_x$, $\mu_{\mathbb{P}} = k(\cdot, x)$.

Condition:

- $y \mapsto k(y, x)$ is measurable $\forall x$: super-mild.
- $\mathbb{E}_{x \sim \mathbb{P}} \sqrt{k(x, x)} < \infty$: holds for **bounded kernels**, i.e. when

$$\sup_{x, x' \in \mathcal{X}} k(x, x') \leq B_k < \infty.$$

Mean embedding: empirical estimate

- $\mu_{\mathbb{P}}$: typically **analytically not available**.
- Empirical estimate: from $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathbb{P}$

$$\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbb{P}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n k(\cdot, x_i) = \mu_{\mathbb{P}_n} \in \mathcal{H}_k,$$

where $\mathbb{P}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{x_i}$ is the empirical measure.

Empirical mean embedding: finite-sample guarantees

Theorem ([Altun and Smola, 2006, Szabó et al., 2015])

For a *k bounded* kernel $[\sup_{x,y \in \mathcal{X}} k(x,y) \leq B_k]$, with probability $\geq 1 - \delta$

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Finite-sample guarantee: proof idea

- $g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \|\mu_{\mathbb{P}} - \mu_{\mathbb{P}_n}\|_{\mathcal{H}_k}$: bounded difference property \Rightarrow
- McDiarmid inequality: concentration around $\mathbb{E}g$.
- $\mathbb{E}g \leq$ expected kernel values (B_k appears).

Finite-sample guarantee: note

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- Characteristic kernel [Fukumizu et al., 2004, Fukumizu et al., 2008]:
 - characteristic function analogy.
 - L -order polynomial kernel: encodes moments $\leq L$. (not)

Mean embedding: universality (k)

Let $C(\mathcal{X}) = \{f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ continuous}\}$.

Definition

Assume:

- \mathcal{X} : compact metric space.
- k : continuous kernel on \mathcal{X} .

k is called *(c)-universal* [Steinwart, 2001] if \mathcal{H}_k is dense in $(C(\mathcal{X}), \|\cdot\|_\infty)$.

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Notes:

- Extensions of c-universality to non-compact spaces:
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Direct reasoning: We have already mentioned [Dudley, 2004]:

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- Then $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{Q} \Leftrightarrow$

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Universality: finished. Now: characteristic
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MMD estimators

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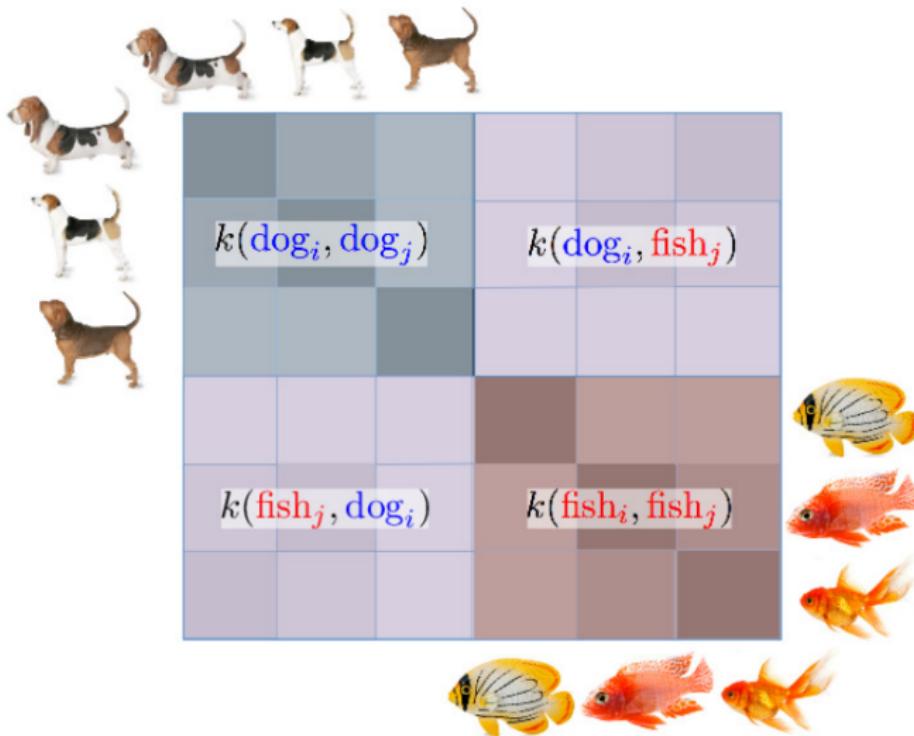


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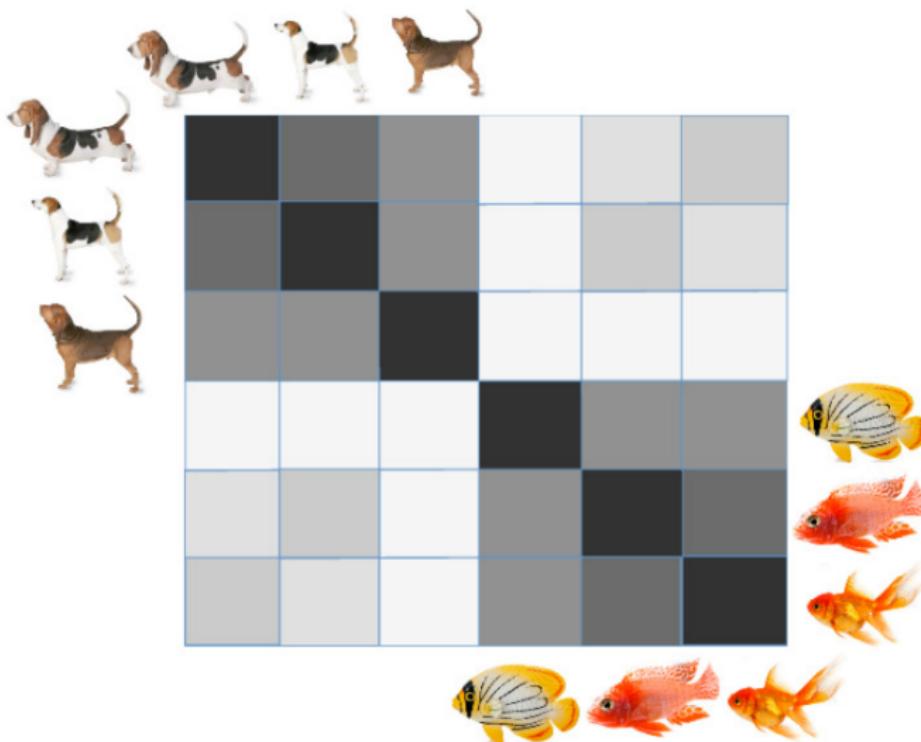


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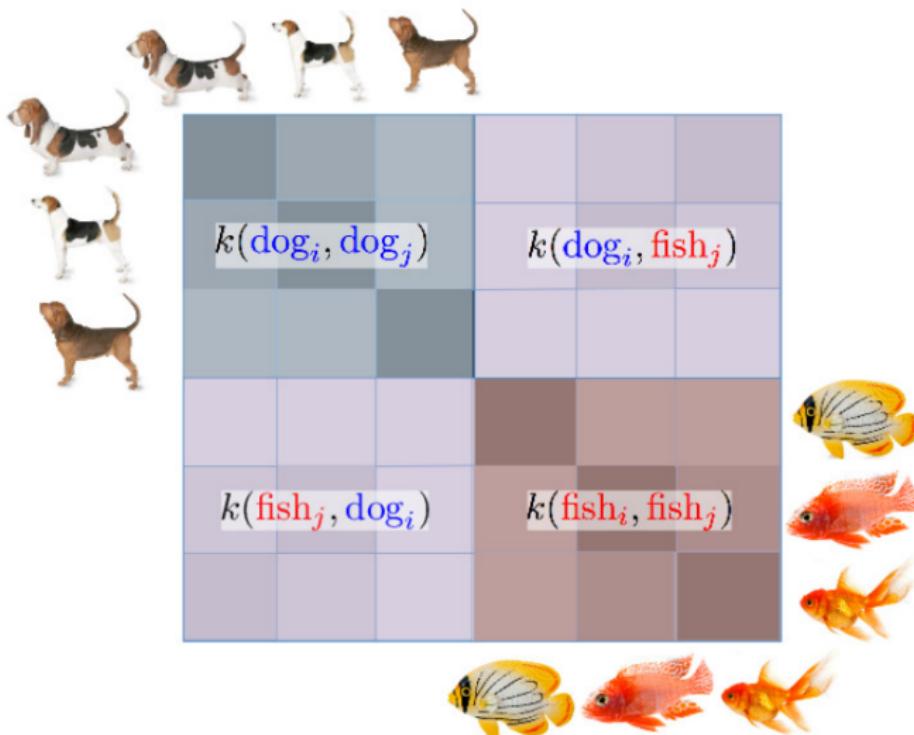
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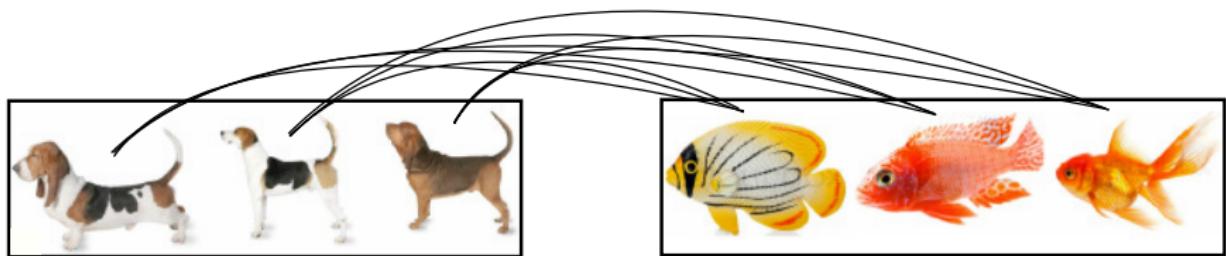
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Theorem ([Sejdinovic et al., 2013b])

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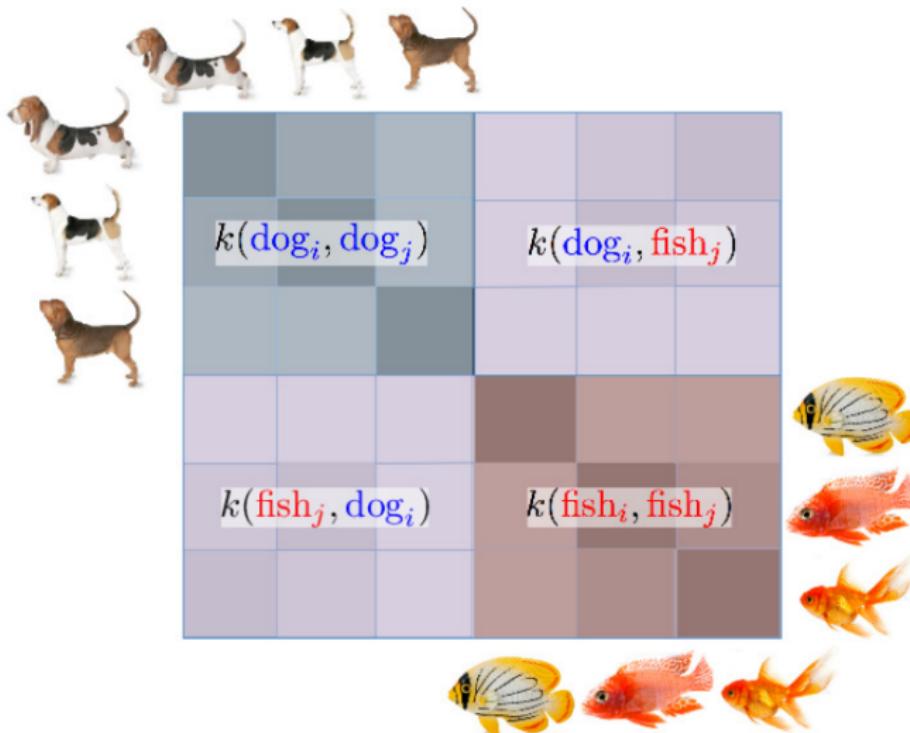
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measures/estimates on probability distributions

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HSIC: intuition. \mathcal{X} : images, \mathcal{Y} : descriptions.



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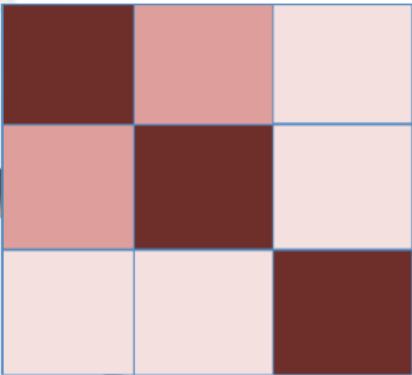
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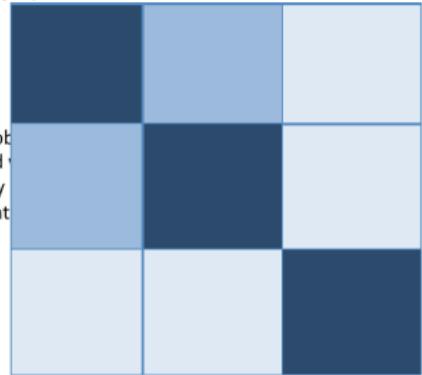
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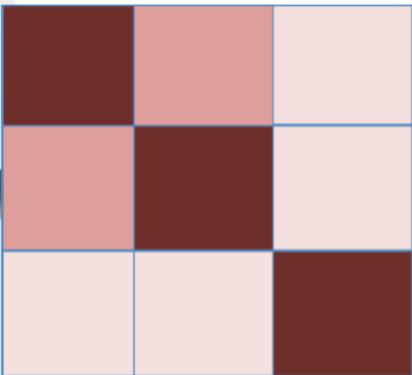


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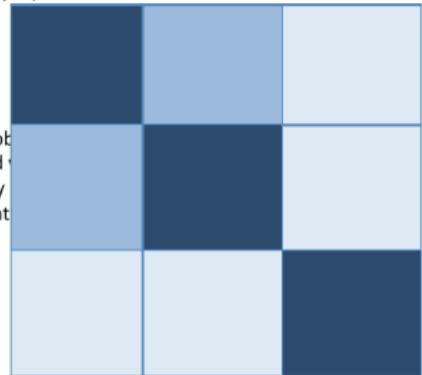


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Cocktail party: HSIC demo



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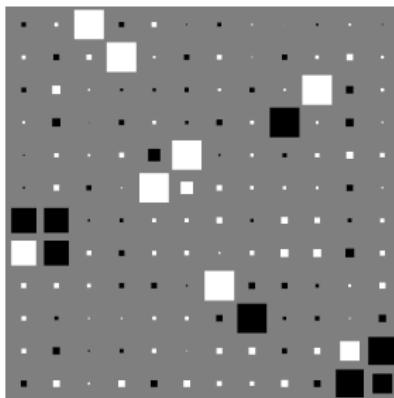
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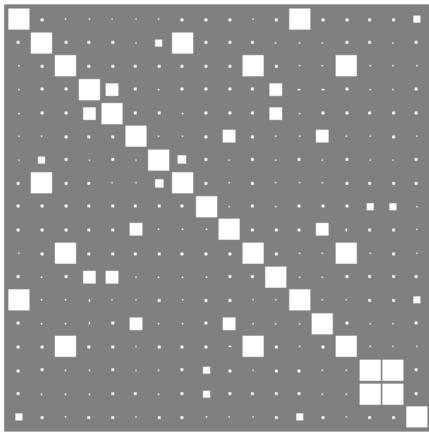


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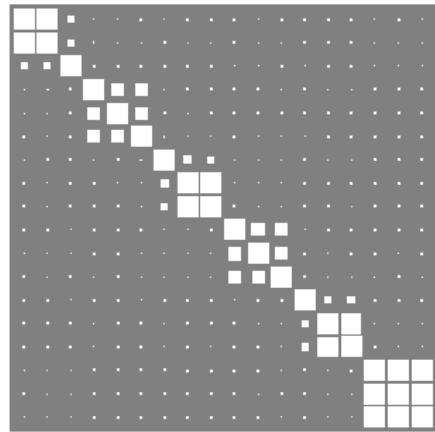
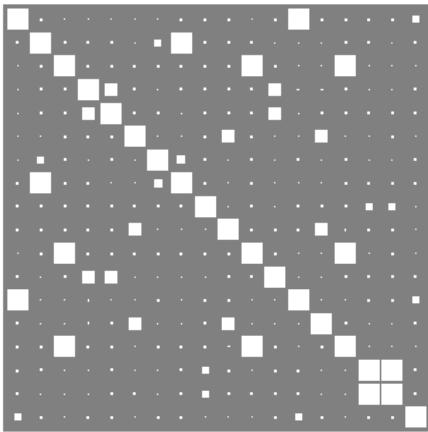
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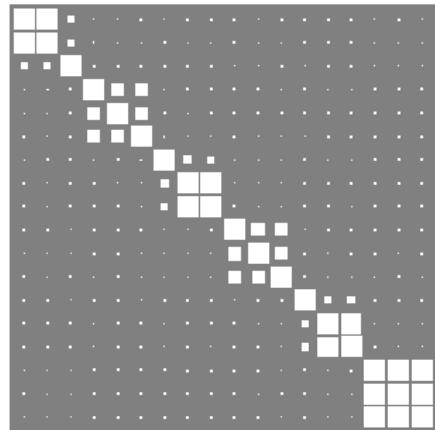
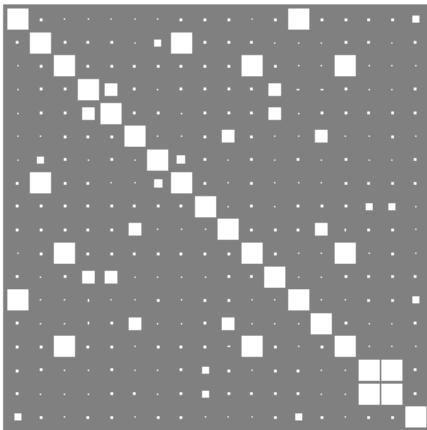
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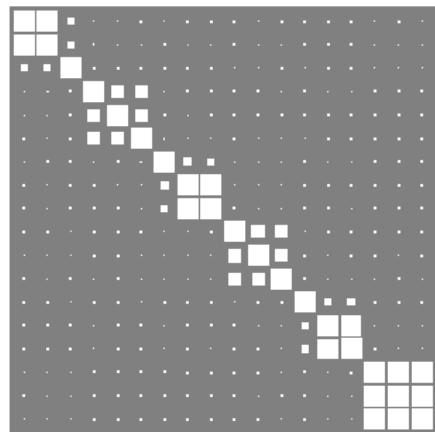
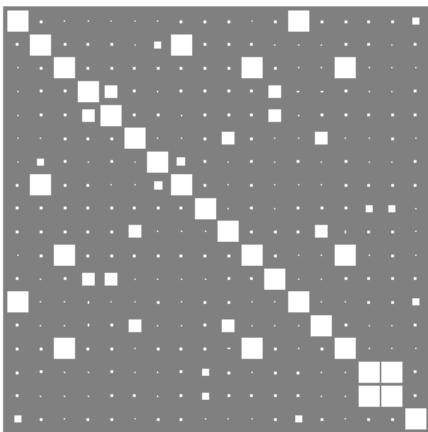
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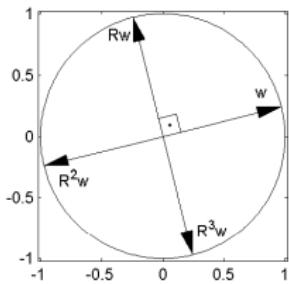
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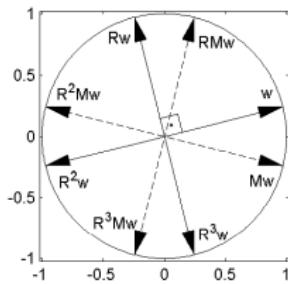
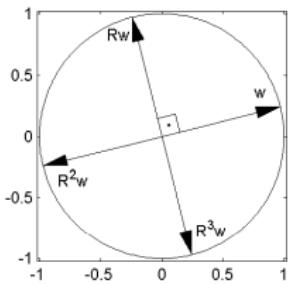
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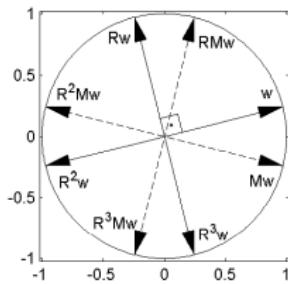
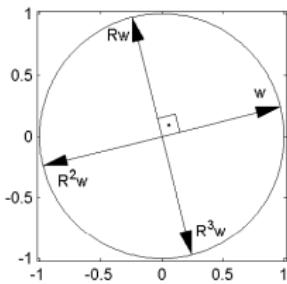
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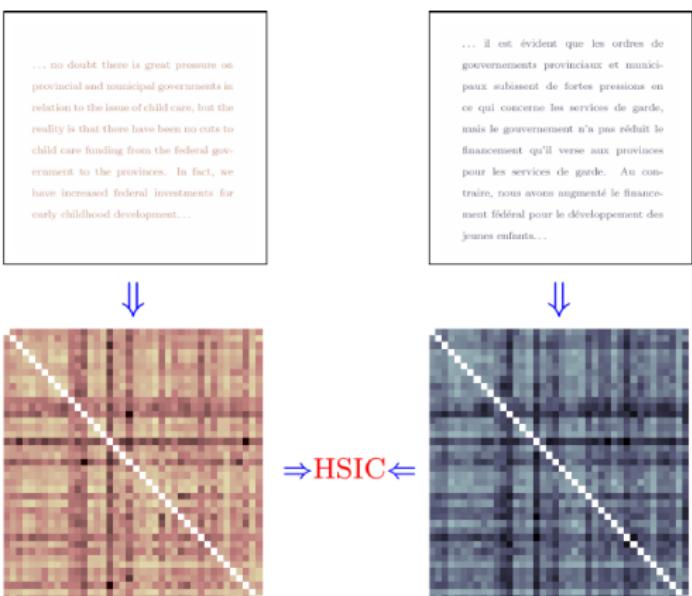


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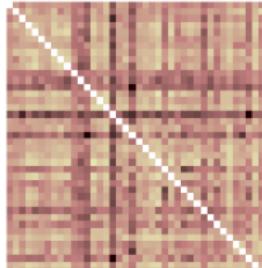
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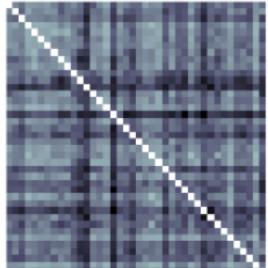
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Result

$$\widehat{HSIC}_b^2(x, y) = \frac{1}{n} \left\langle \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_x, \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_y \right\rangle_F : \text{see the intuition.}$$

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HSIC estimation: 2nd term

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$$\hat{b} = \|\hat{\mu}_x \otimes \hat{\mu}_y\|_{HS}^2$$

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$$b = \|\mu_x \otimes \mu_y\|_{HS}^2 = \mathbb{E}_{xx'} k(x, x') \mathbb{E}_{yy'} \ell(y, y').$$

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Bias: $\mathcal{O} \left(\frac{1}{m} \right)$.

Reminder: MMD^2 , \widehat{MMD}_b^2 , \widehat{MMD}_u^2

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Estimation in practice: few ITE examples

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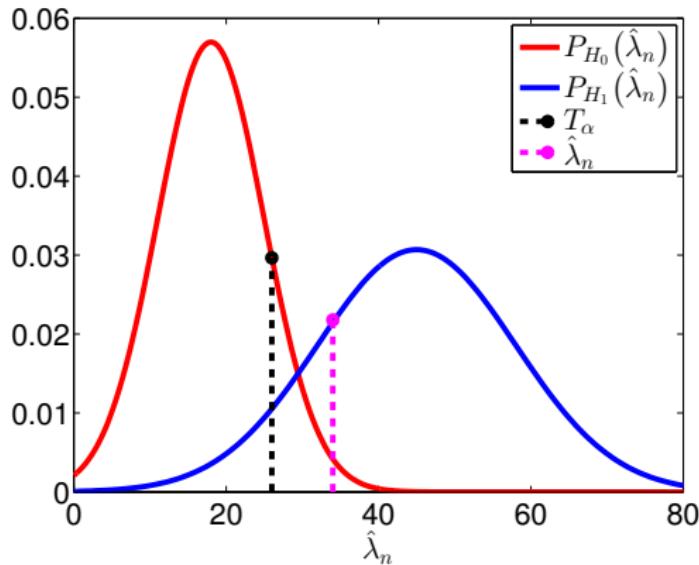
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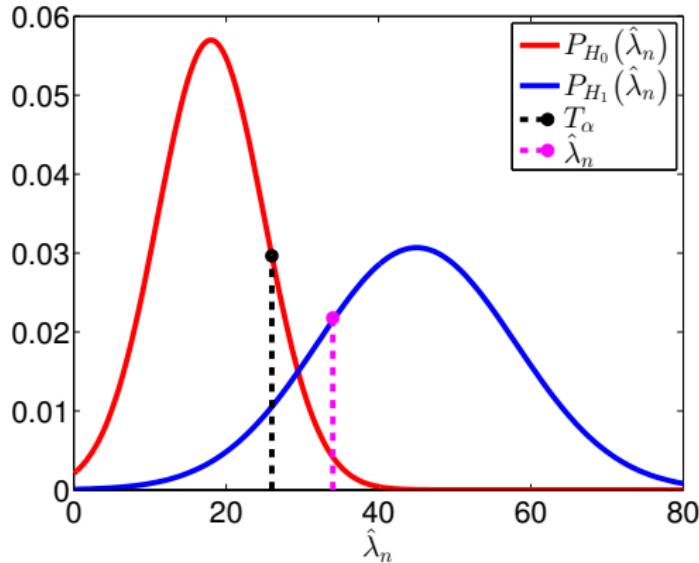
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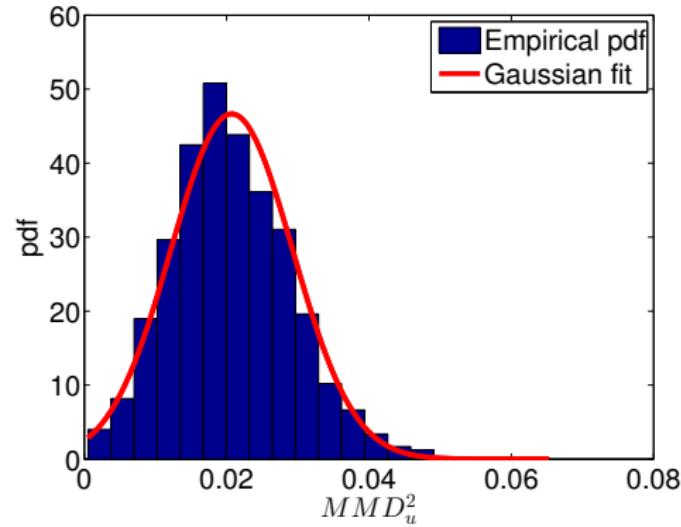
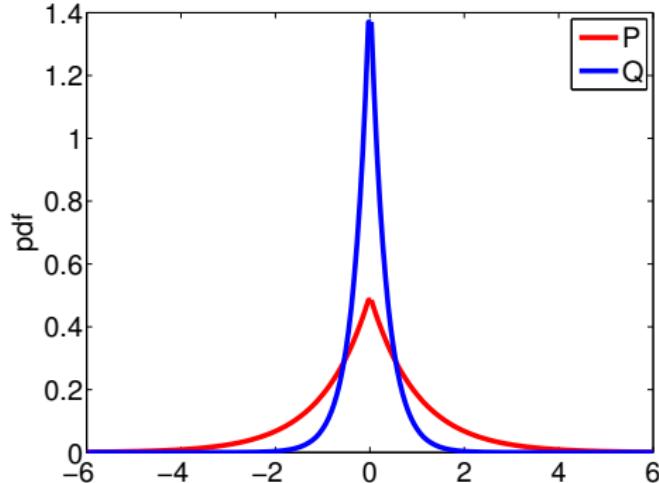
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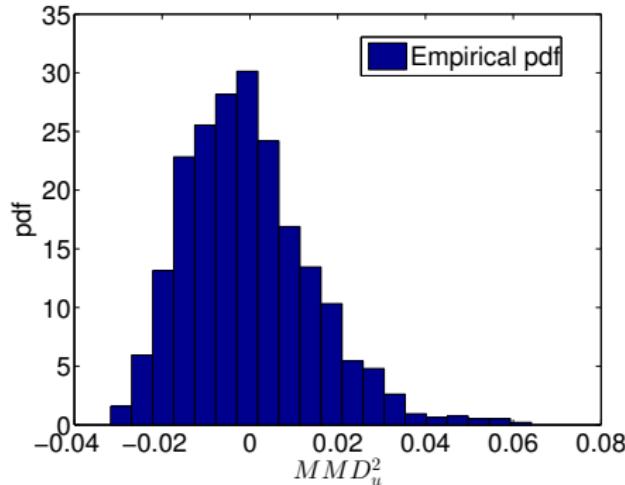
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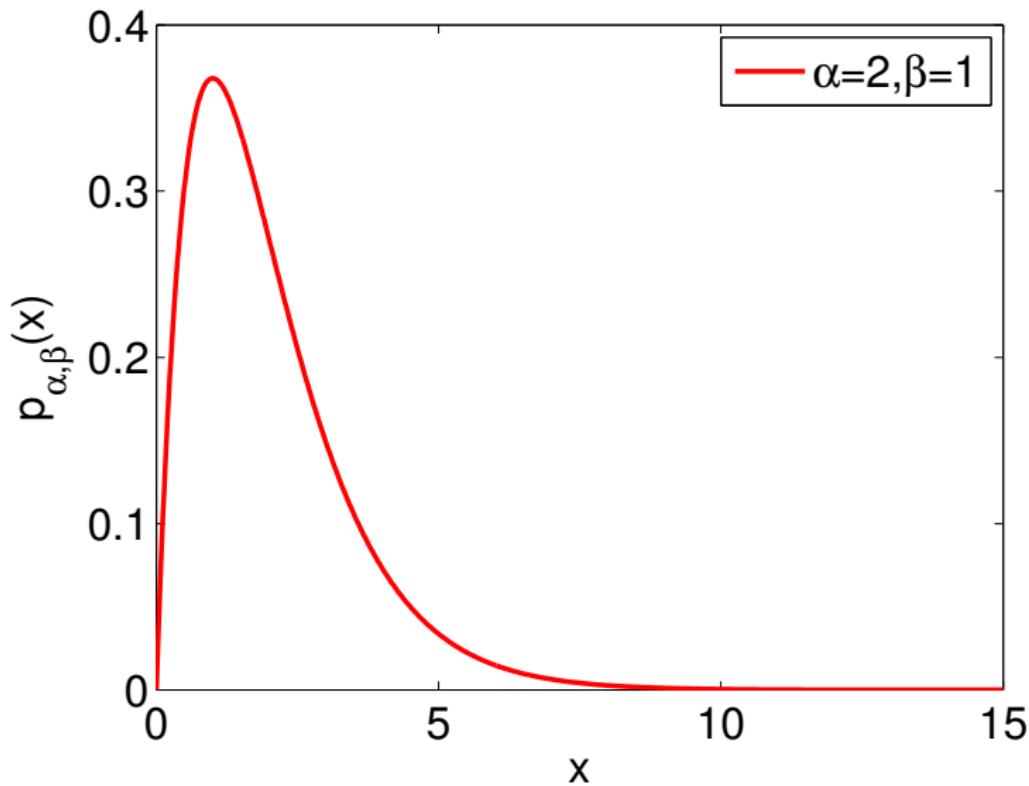
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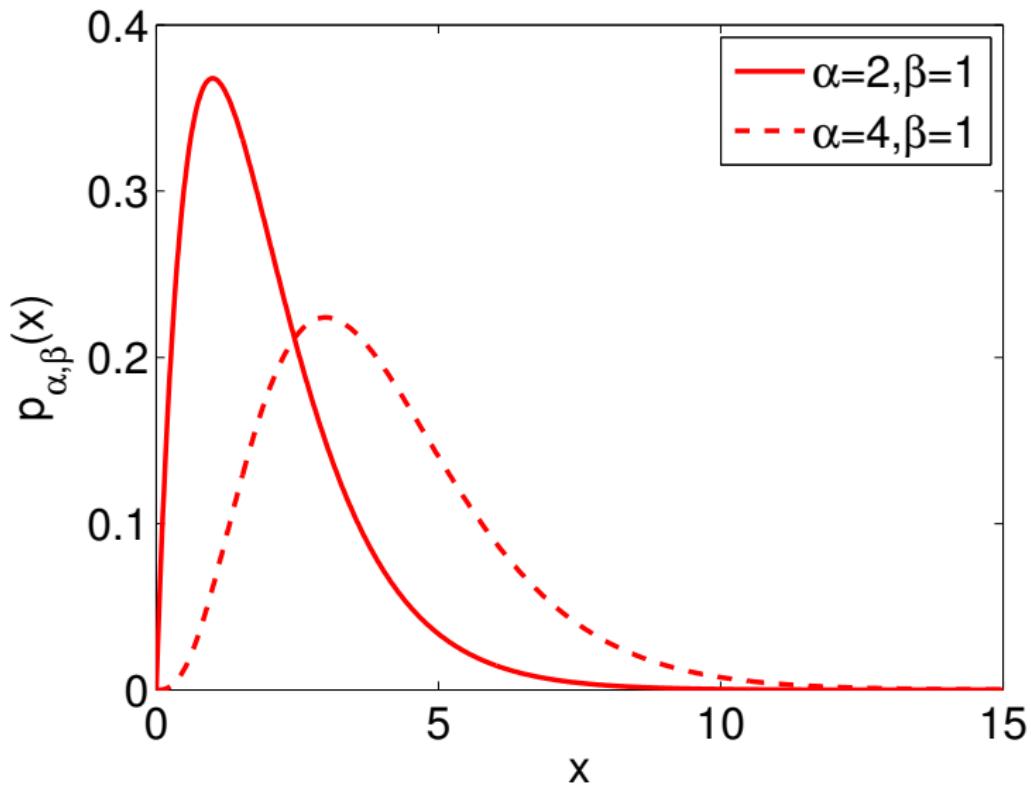
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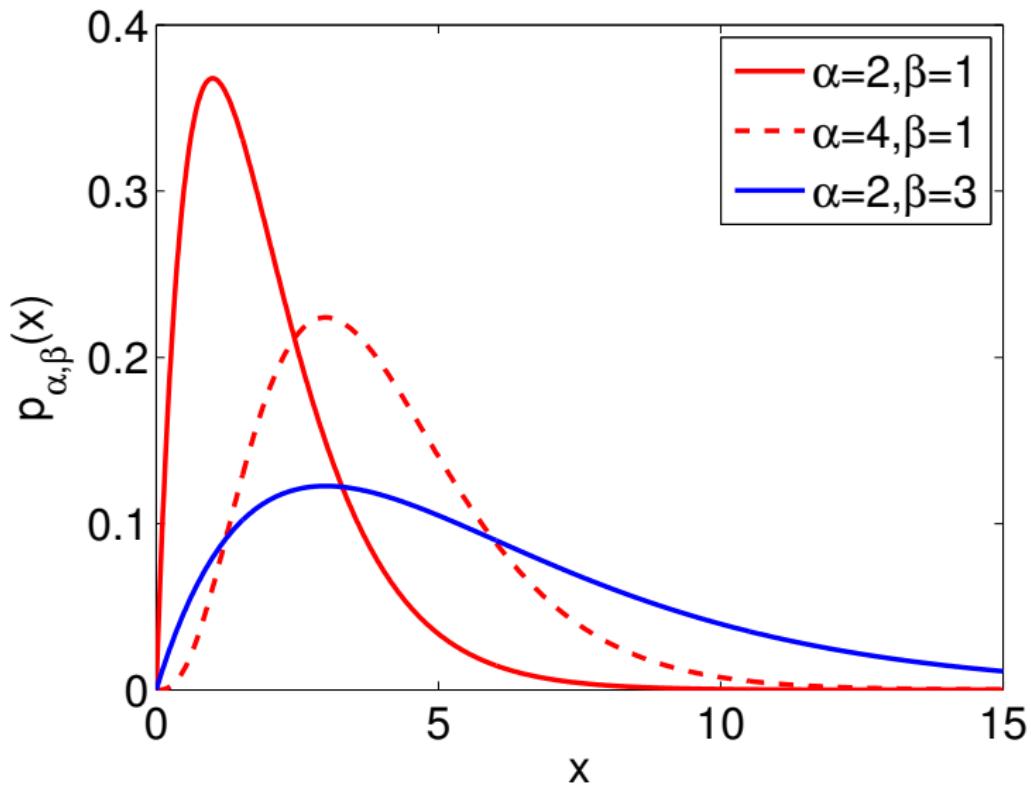
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Related work

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Properties:

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Ref: [van der Vaart and Wellner, 1996, van der Vaart, 1998, van de Geer, 2009].

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- RFF idea

- works [Brault et al., 2016]; $(\mathbb{R}^d, +) \rightarrow \text{LCA}$: ✓
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Nyström method, RFF: the end.

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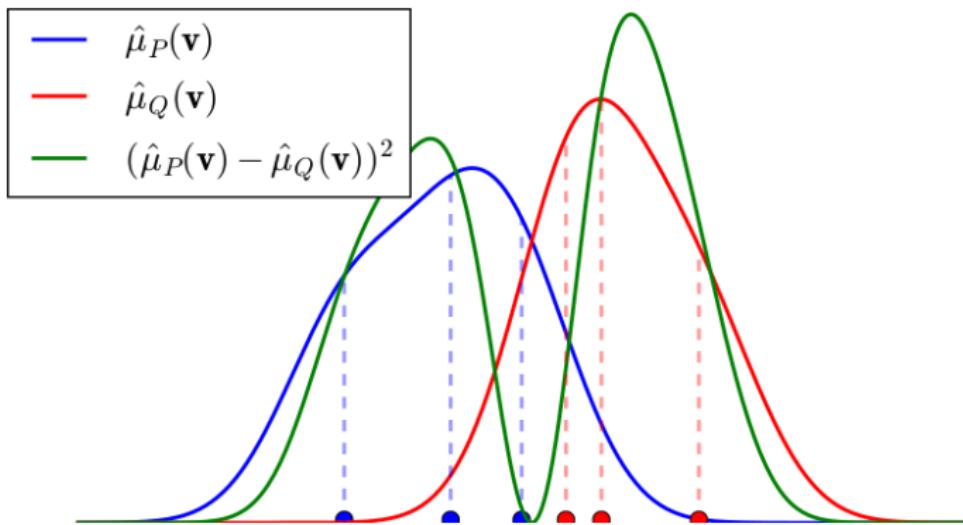
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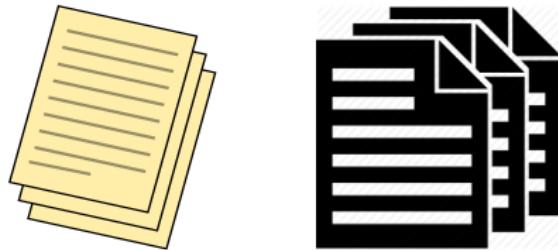
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Example-1: NLP

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Example-2: computer vision



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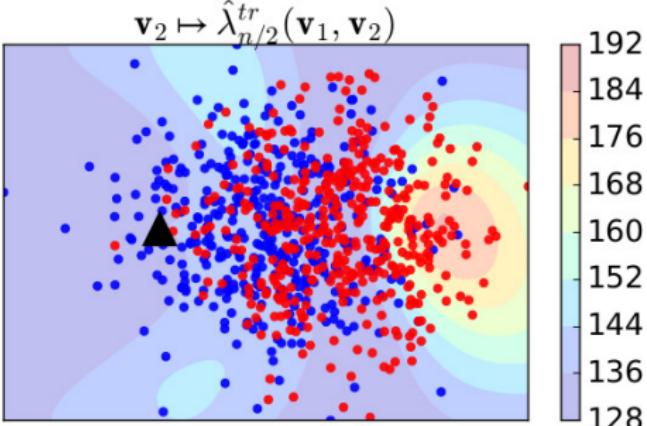
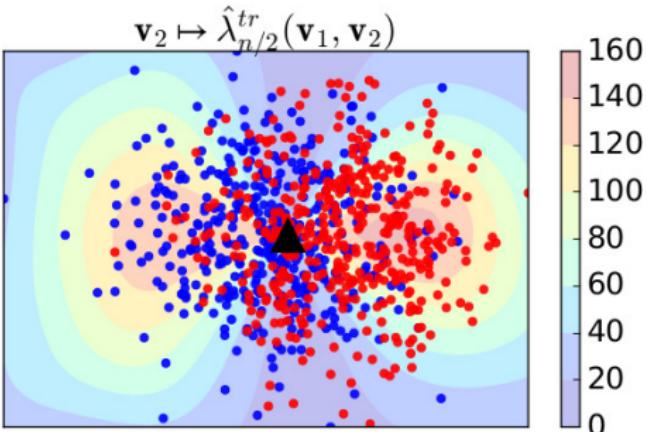
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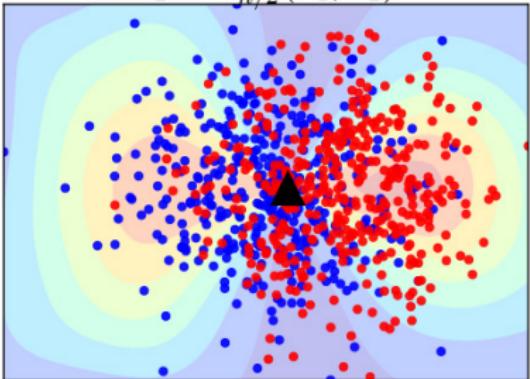
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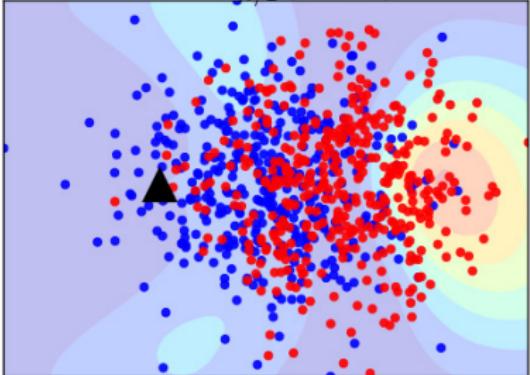


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- **Nearby locations:** do not increase discriminability.
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Computational complexity

- Optimization & testing: linear in n .
- Testing: $\mathcal{O}(ndJ + nJ^2 + J^3)$.
- Optimization: $\mathcal{O}(ndJ^2 + J^3)$ per gradient ascent.

- Small J :

- often enough to detect the difference of \mathbb{P} & \mathbb{Q} .
- few distinguishing regions to reject H_0 .
- faster test.

Number of locations (J)

- Very large J :
 - test power need not increase monotonically in J (more locations \Rightarrow statistic can gain in variance).
 - defeats the purpose of a linear-time test.

Numerical demos

Parameter settings

- Gaussian kernel (σ). $\alpha = 0.01$. $J = 1$. Repeat 500 trials.
- Report

$$P(\text{reject } H_0) \approx \frac{\#\text{times } \hat{\lambda}_n > T_\alpha \text{ holds}}{\#\text{trials}}.$$

- Compare 4 methods
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 - **ME-grid**: Optimize σ . Random \mathcal{V} [Chwialkowski et al., 2015].
 - **MMD-quad**: Test with quadratic-time MMD [Gretton et al., 2012].
 - **MMD-lin**: Test with linear-time MMD [Gretton et al., 2012].
- Optimize kernels to power in MMD-lin, MMD-quad.

NLP: discrimination of document categories

- 5903 NIPS papers (1988-2015).
- Keyword-based category assignment into 4 groups:
 - Bayesian inference, Deep learning, Learning theory, Neuroscience
- $d = 2000$ nouns. TF-IDF representation.

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3. Bayes-Learn	138	.990	.774	1.00	.238
4. Bayes-Neuro	394	1.00	.300	.952	.972
5. Learn-Deep	149	.956	.052	.876	.500
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- Performance of ME-full [$\mathcal{O}(n)$] is comparable to MMD-quad [$\mathcal{O}(n^2)$].

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- Most discriminative words:
spike, markov, cortex, dropout, recur, iii, gibb.
 - learned test locations: highly interpretable,
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- Least discriminatory ones:
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Distinguish positive/negative emotions

- Karolinska Directed Emotional Faces (KDEF) [Lundqvist et al., 1998].
- 70 actors = 35 females and 35 males.
- $d = 48 \times 34 = 1632$. Grayscale. Pixel features.



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- Learned test location (averaged) = 

Linear-time high-power two-sample testing:
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Linear-time **high-power** independence testing

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Until now:

- adaptive linear-time 2-sample test (automatic parameter tuning).

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FSIC: covariance view

By rewriting

$$\begin{aligned} u(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) &= \mu_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}) - \mu_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{v})\mu_{\mathbf{y}}(\mathbf{w}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}[k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})\ell(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w})] - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}}[k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v})]\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{y}}[\ell(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w})] \\ &= cov_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}(k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}), \ell(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w})). \end{aligned}$$

⇒ We picked the $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})^{th}$ entry of

$$\begin{aligned} C_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}^c &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}} [\varphi(\mathbf{x}) \otimes \psi(\mathbf{y})] - \mu_{\mathbf{x}} \otimes \mu_{\mathbf{y}}, \\ HSIC &= \|C_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}^c\|_{HS}. \end{aligned}$$

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Consequence of the theorem

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Theorem (Asymptotic normality)

For any fixed locations $\mathcal{V} = \{(\mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{w}_j)\}_{j=1}^J$, $\hat{\mathbf{u}} := [\hat{u}(\mathbf{v}_j, \mathbf{w}_j)]_{j=1}^J$

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Code with demos:

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Demo settings

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- Report: rejection rate of H_0 .
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NFSIC-med	No tuning	Random locations	n	$\mathcal{O}(n)$
QHSIC	Full HSIC	Median heuristic	n	$\mathcal{O}(n^2)$
NyHSIC	Nyström + HSIC	Median heuristic	n	$\mathcal{O}(n)$
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RDC	RFF + CCA	Median heuristic	n	$\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$

Demo-1: million song data

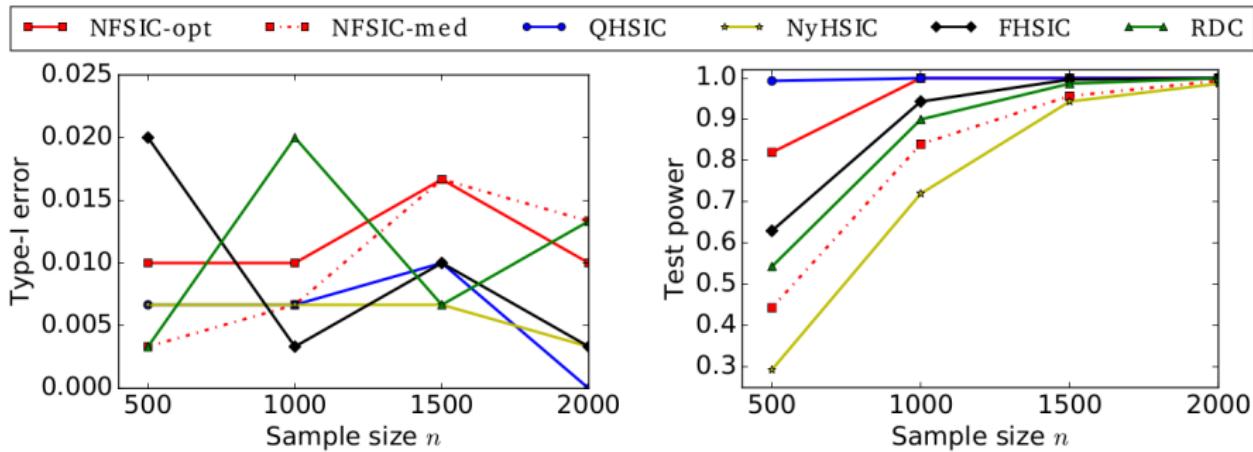
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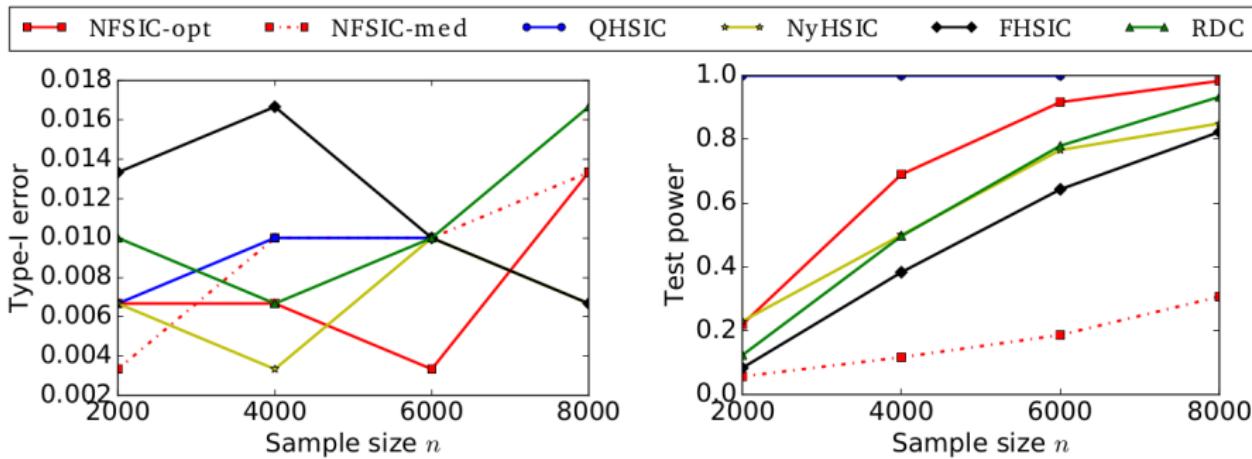
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Thank you for the attention!



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