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# Numerics of Stochastic Processes VI

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- *Gaussian clustering*:  $\theta_i = (\mu_i, \Sigma_i)$  - Gaussian parameters

$$g(x, \theta_i) = \|x - \mu_i\|_{\Sigma_i^{-1}}^2$$



# Clustering Problem: definition

What is “clustering”?

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# Averaged Clustering Functional



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Numerical Method: Subspace Iteration (splitting scheme)

No global convergence (non-convex optimization, simulated annealing)



# K-Means clustering: problems

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(Bezdek 1981,  
Höppner et.al. 1999)

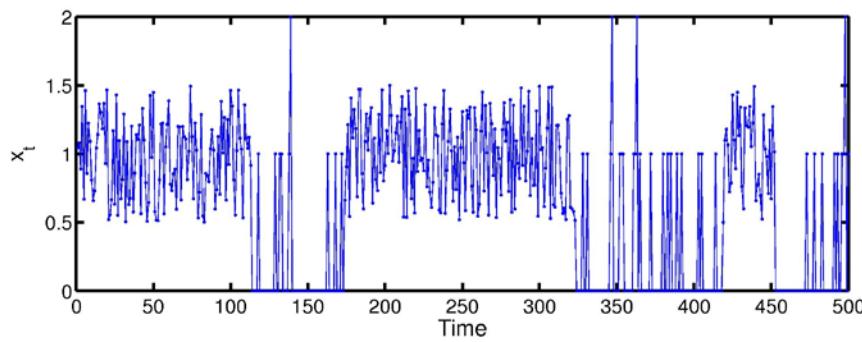
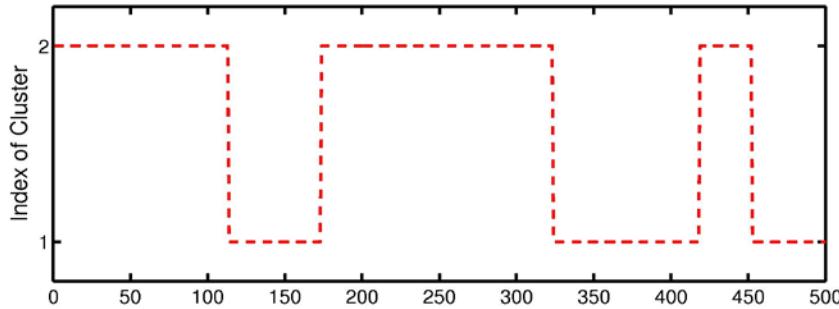
Iteration number ( $l$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_i^{(l)}(t_j) &= \begin{cases} 1 & i = \arg \min \|x_{t_j} - \theta_i^{(l-1)}\|^2, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \\ \theta_i^{(l)} &= \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n \gamma_i^{(l)}(t_j) x_{t_j}}{\sum_{j=1}^n \gamma_i^{(l)}(t_j)}.\end{aligned}$$

“Sharp” assignment: **problem for overlapping data**

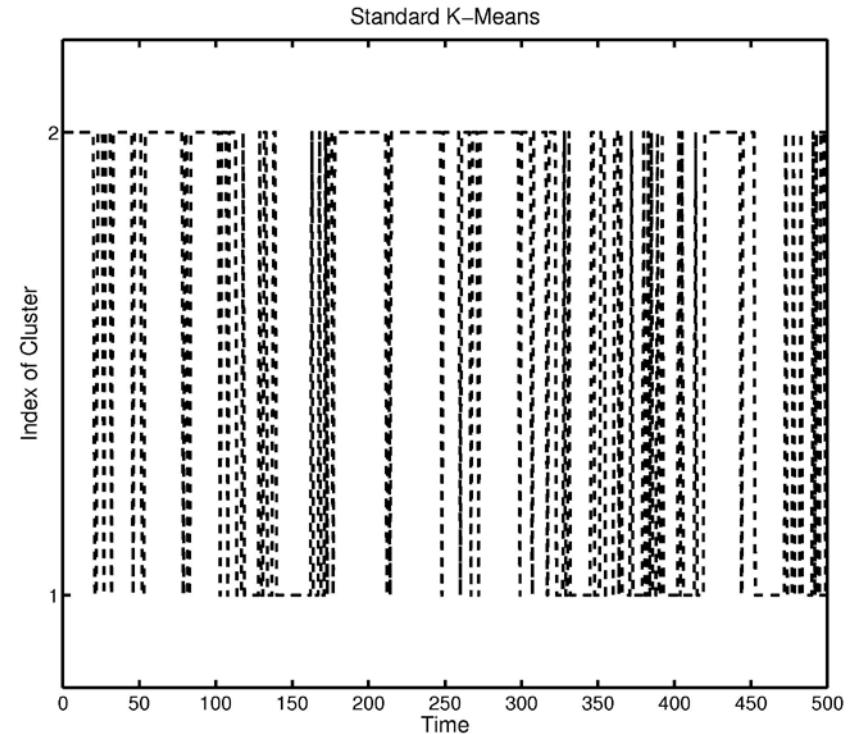
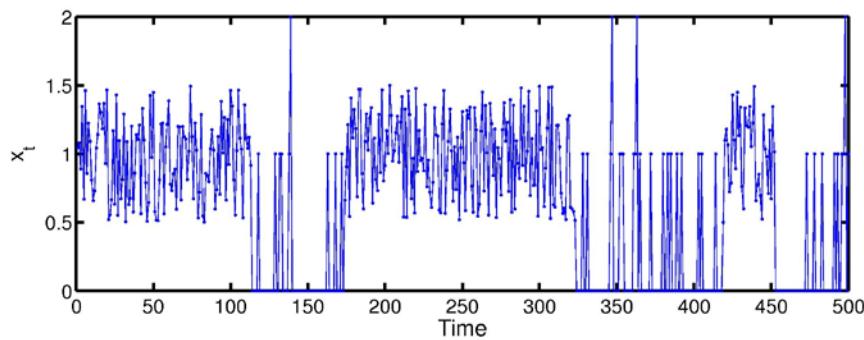
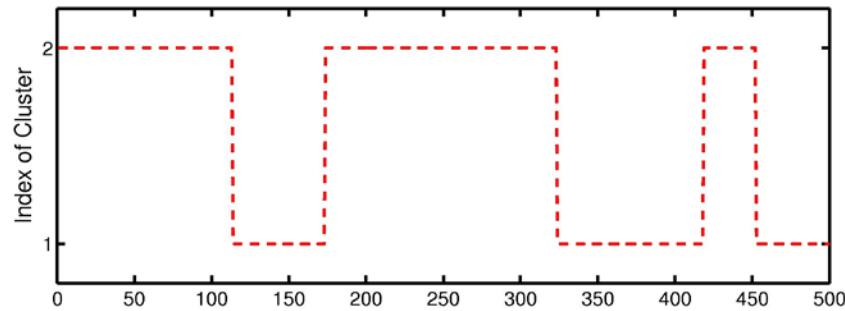


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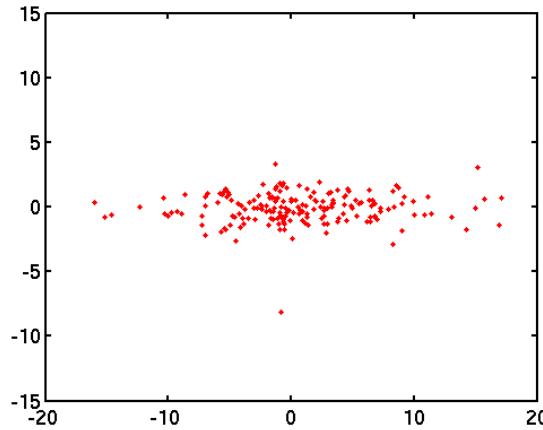
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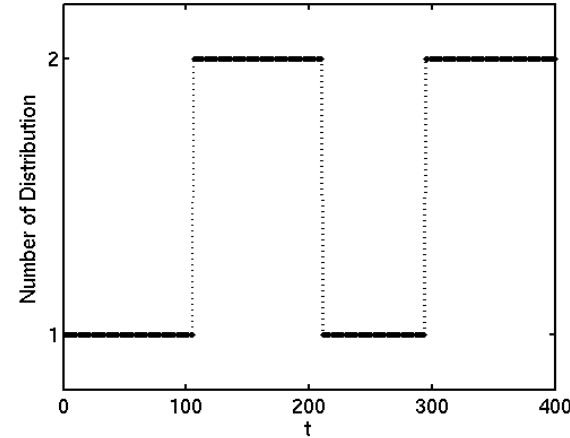


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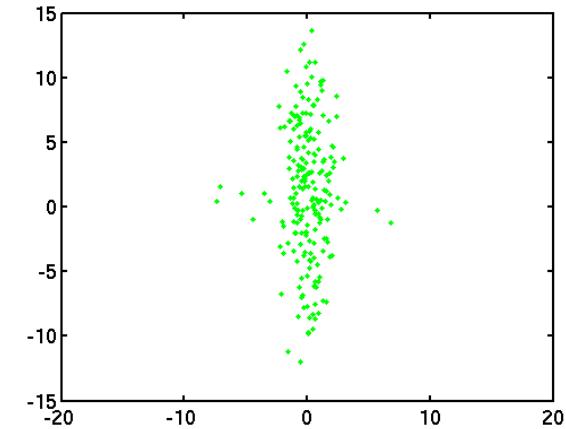
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Switching between  
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Distribution 2



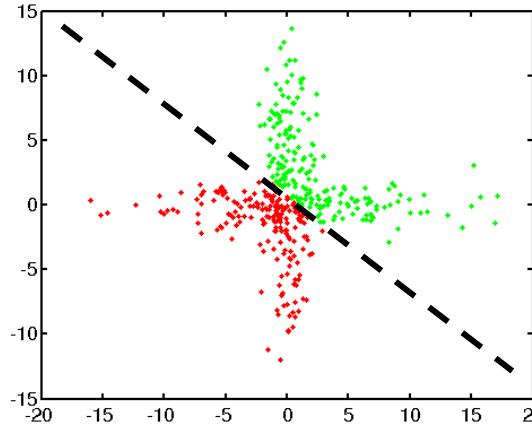
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colouring from  
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Problems:

1. *Euclidean distance* may be not appropriate
2. *geometrical clustering* gets no use of *temporal information*

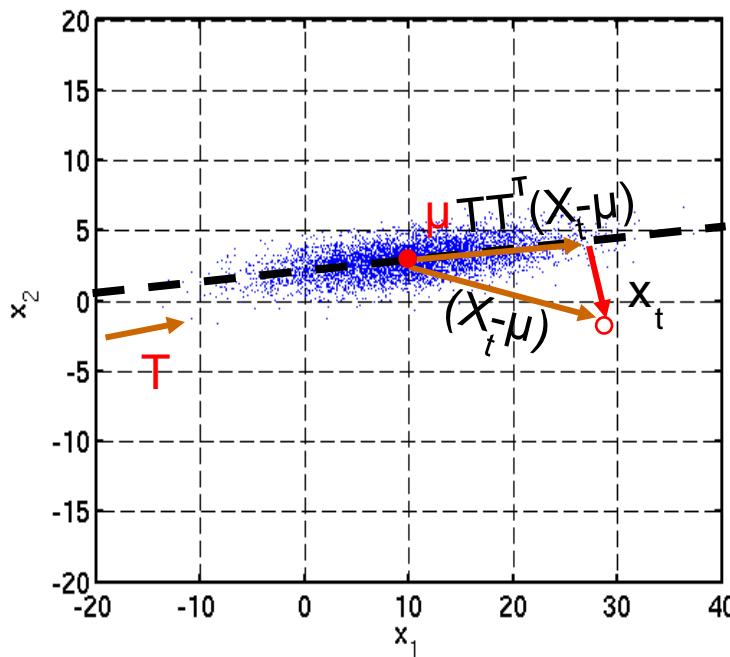


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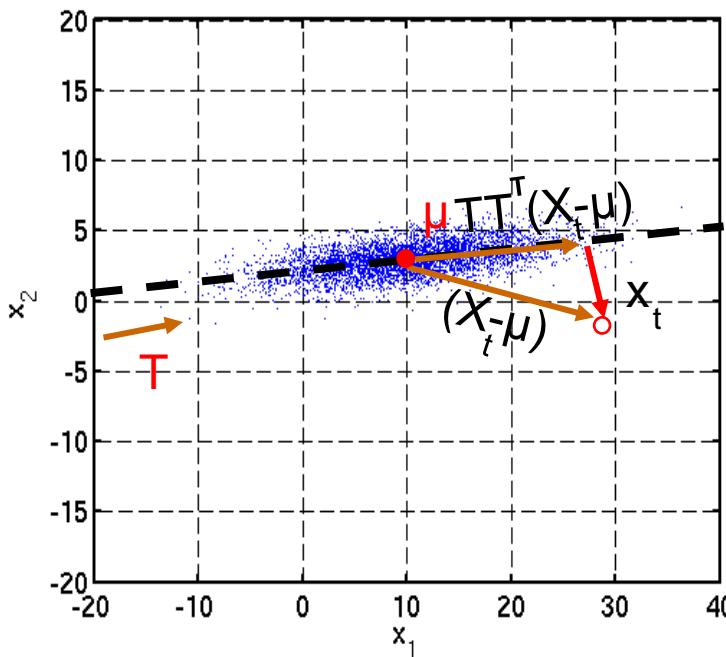


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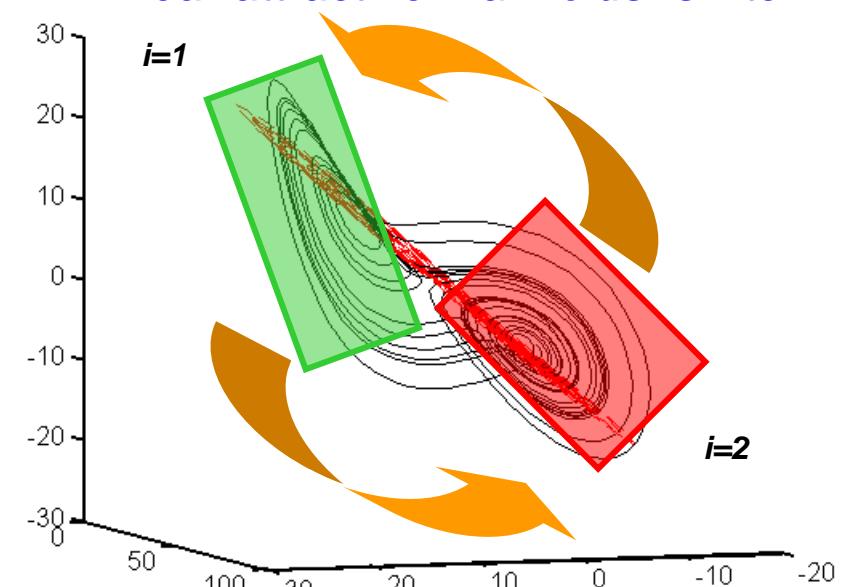
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**Idea:** Essential manifold can be approximated by linear attractive manifolds+switching





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$$I_{x_{t_j}} = \{p \in \{1, \dots, K\} \mid \|x_{t_j} - \theta_p^{(l-1)}\|^2 = 0\}$$

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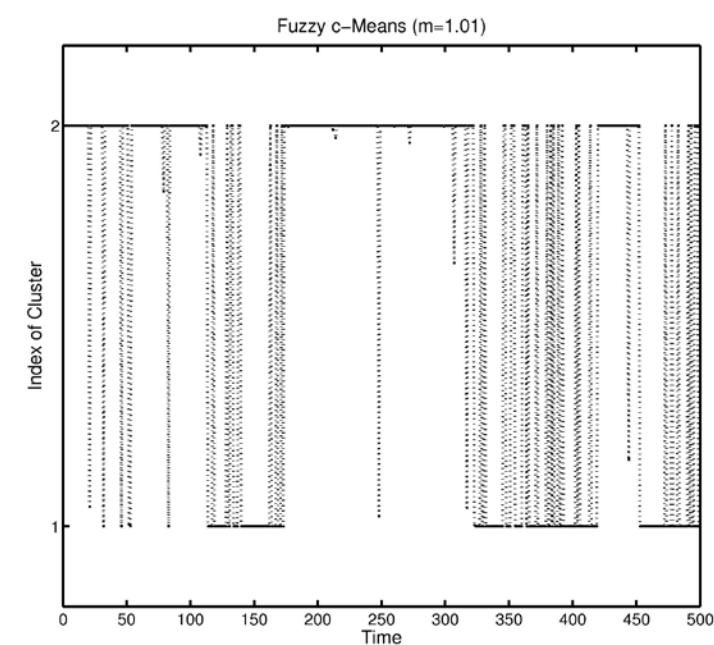
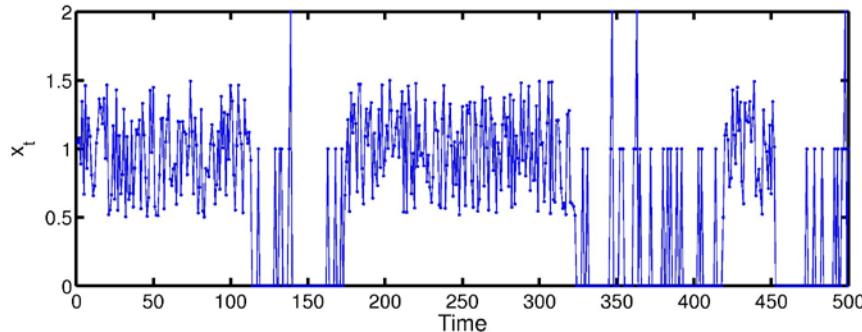
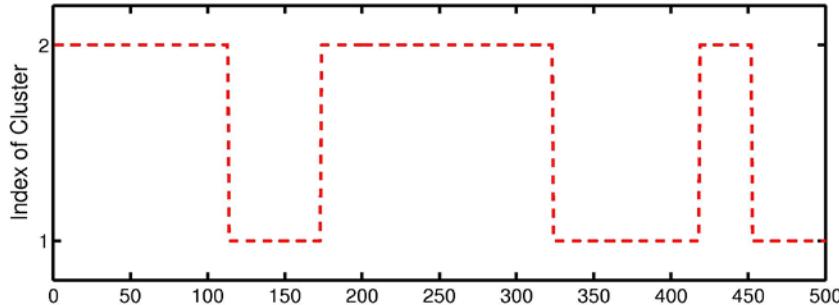
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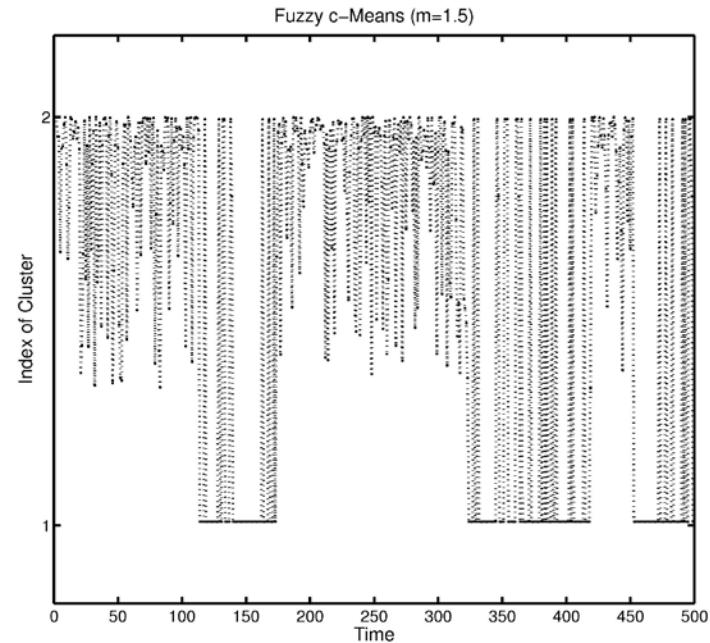
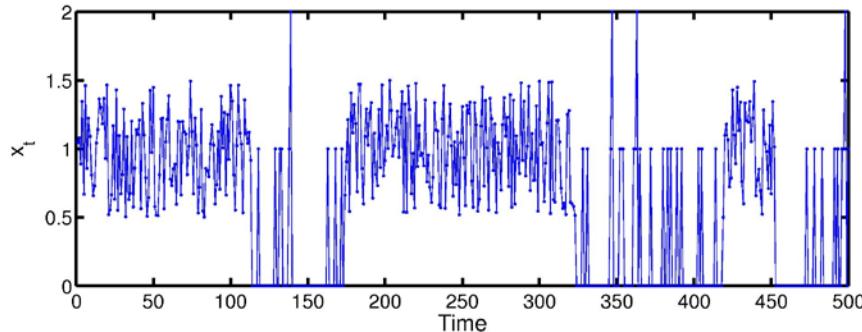
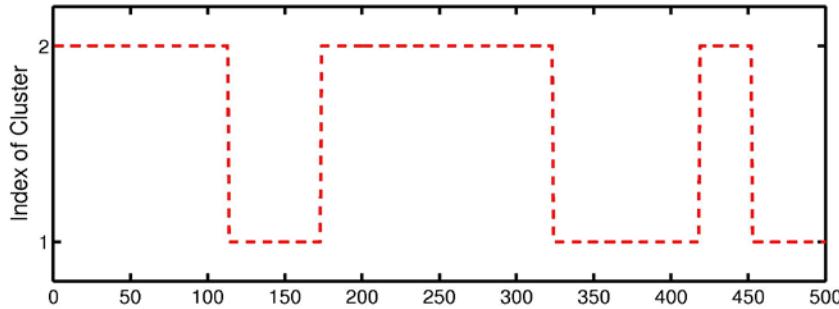


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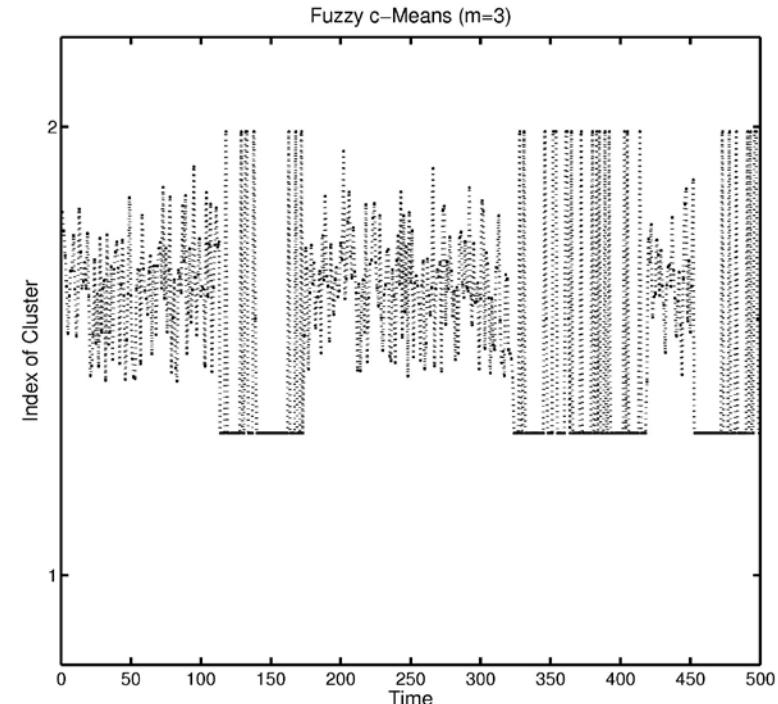
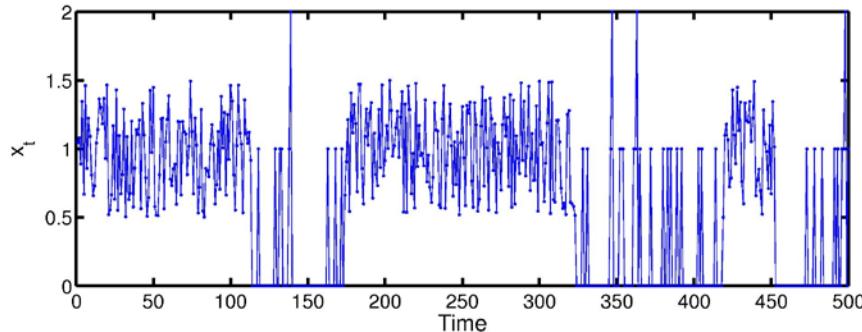
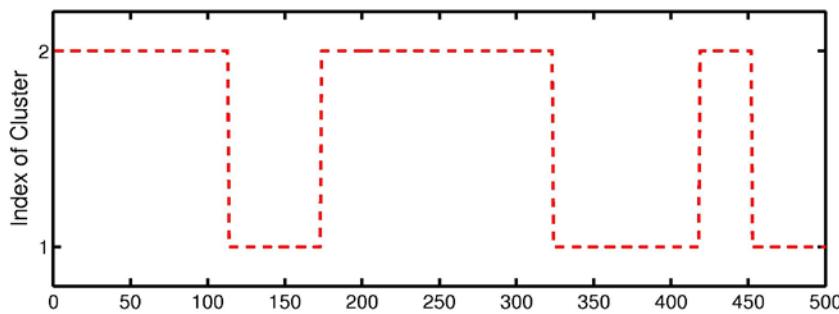


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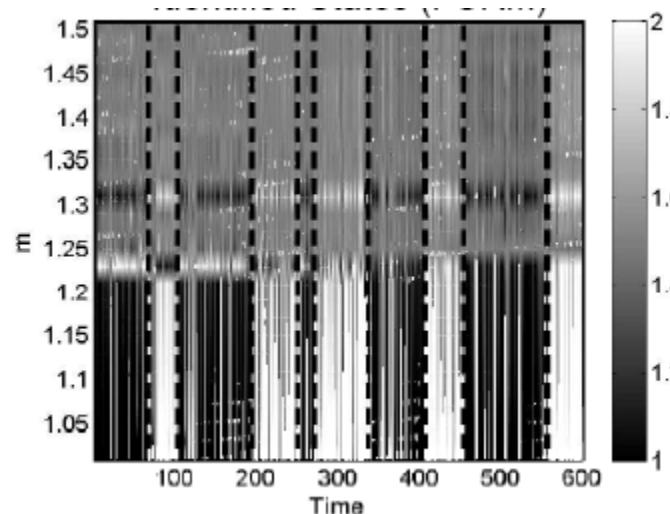


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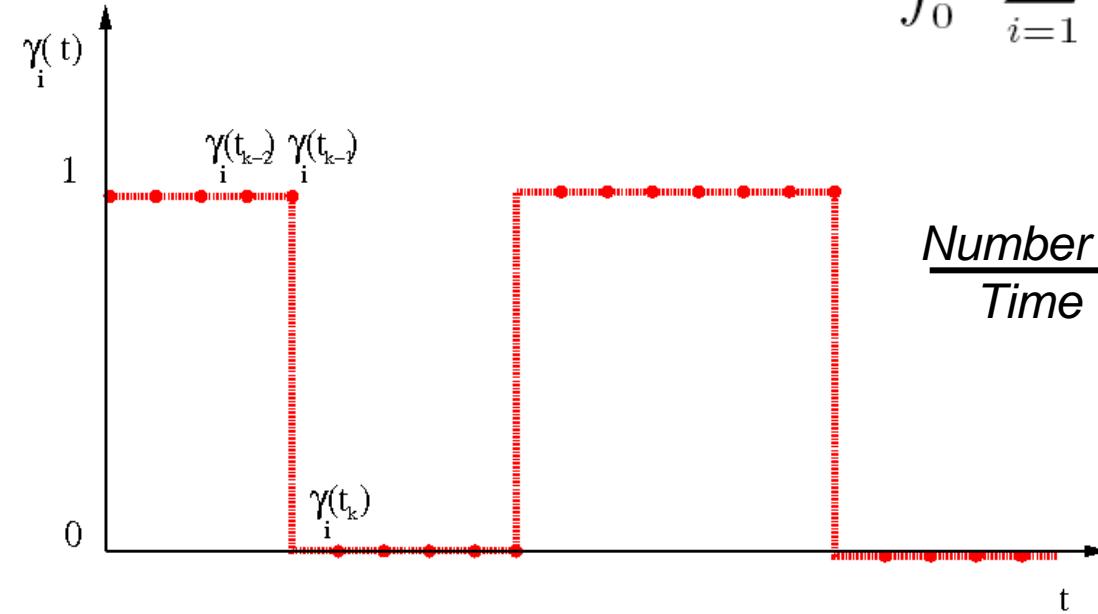
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$$\frac{\text{Number Of Jumps}}{\text{Time Interval}} =$$

$$= \sum_{k=1} \frac{(\gamma_i(t_{k+1}) - \gamma_i(t_k))^2}{\Delta t}$$



# Tikhonov-type Regularization

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(H. 08, to appear in SISC)



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*Galerkin-Ansatz :*

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_i(t) &= \tilde{\gamma}_i(t) + \delta_N \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^N \tilde{\gamma}_i^{(k)} v_k(t) + \delta_N\end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{\gamma}_i^{(k)} = \int_0^T \gamma_i(t) v_k(t) dt$ , and

$$\mathbf{L}^\epsilon = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\epsilon + \mathcal{O}(\delta_N) \rightarrow \min_{\tilde{\gamma}_i(t), \Theta},$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\epsilon = \sum_{i=1}^K \int_0^T \left[ \tilde{\gamma}_i(t) g(x_t, \theta_i) + \epsilon^2 (\partial_t \tilde{\gamma}_i(t))^2 \right] dt.$$



# FEM-Discretized Clustering Functional

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\epsilon = \sum_{i=1}^K [a^T(\theta_i)\bar{\gamma}_i + \epsilon^2 \bar{\gamma}_i^T \mathbf{H} \bar{\gamma}_i] \rightarrow \min_{\bar{\gamma}_i, \Theta}$$

subjected to

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Iterative Subspace Minimization:  
**sparse QP** can be used

where  $a(\theta_i) = \left( \int_{t_1}^{t_2} v_1(t)g(x_t, \theta_i)dt, \dots, \int_{t_{N-1}}^{t_N} v_N(t)g(x_t, \theta_i)dt \right)$

is a vector of *FEM-discretized model distances* and  $\mathbf{H}$  is

a *mass-matrix* of the *FEM-basis*



# Algorithm: monotony conditions

**Theorem** Let for a given observed time series  $x(t) : \mathbf{R}^1 \rightarrow \Psi \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ , the model distance functional is chosen such that it satisfies (2),  $\Psi$  and  $\Omega$  are compact,  $g(x_t, \cdot)$  is continuously differentiable function of  $\theta$  and

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \Theta} \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\epsilon(\Theta^*, \bar{\gamma}) = 0,$$

has a unique solution  $\Theta^* = (\theta_1^*, \dots, \theta_K^*)$ ,  $\theta_i^* \in \Omega$  for any fixed  $\bar{\gamma}$  satisfying (18-19) and  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \Theta^2} \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\epsilon(\Theta^*, \bar{\gamma})$  is positive definite. Then for any  $\epsilon^2 \geq 0$  and any finite continuous non-negative finite elements set  $\{v_1(t), v_2(t), \dots, v_N(t)\} \in \mathcal{L}_2(0, T)$  such that the respective mass-matrix  $\mathcal{H}$  is positive definite, the above algorithm is monotonous, i. e., for any  $j \geq 1$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\epsilon \left( \Theta^{[j+1]}, \bar{\gamma}_i^{[j+1]} \right) \leq \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^\epsilon \left( \Theta^{[j]}, \bar{\gamma}_i^{[j]} \right).$$

Convergence to a local optimum only!

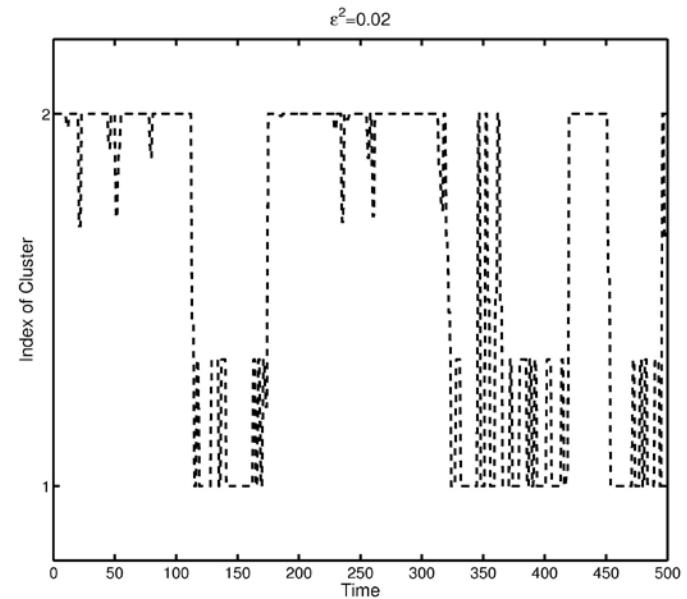
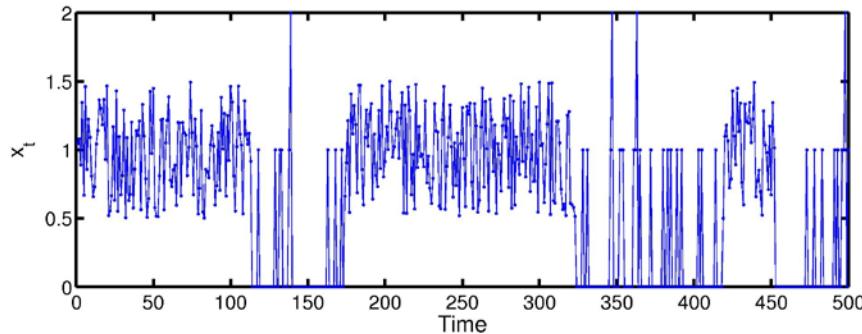
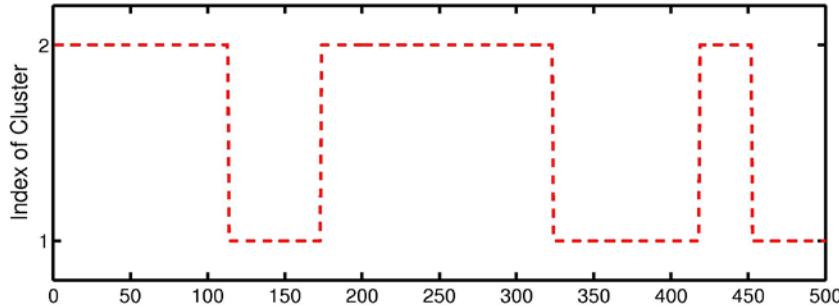
(coupling to some *global optimizer* necessary)



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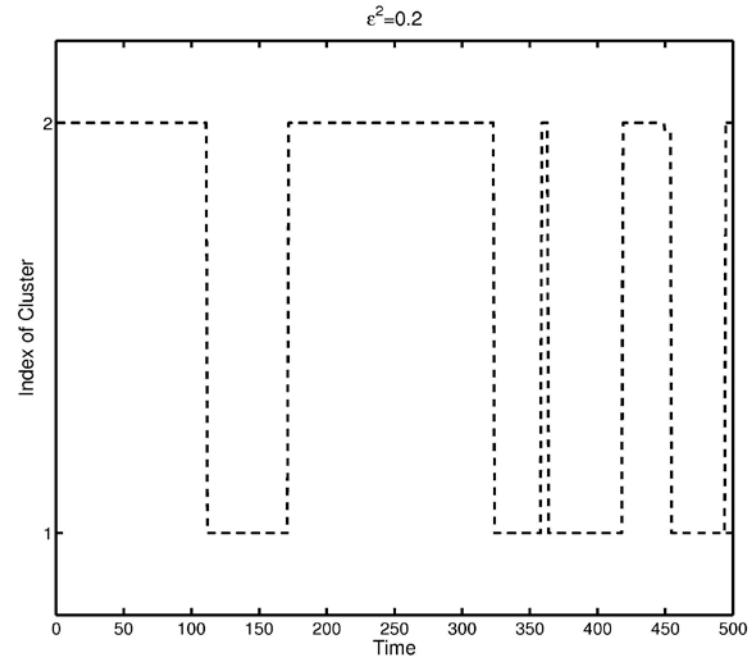
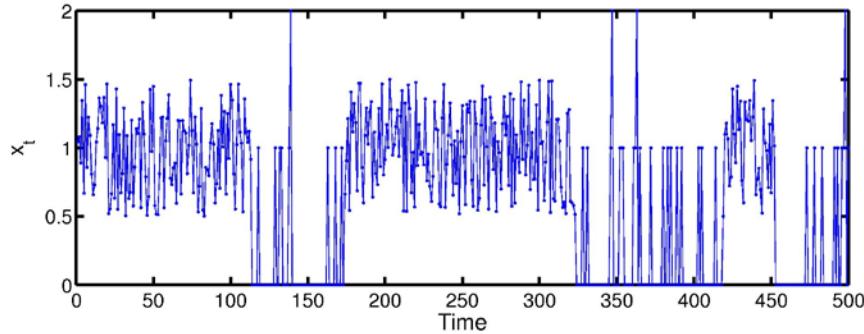
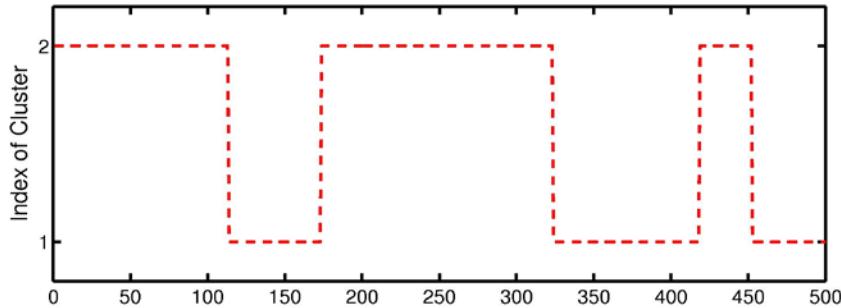




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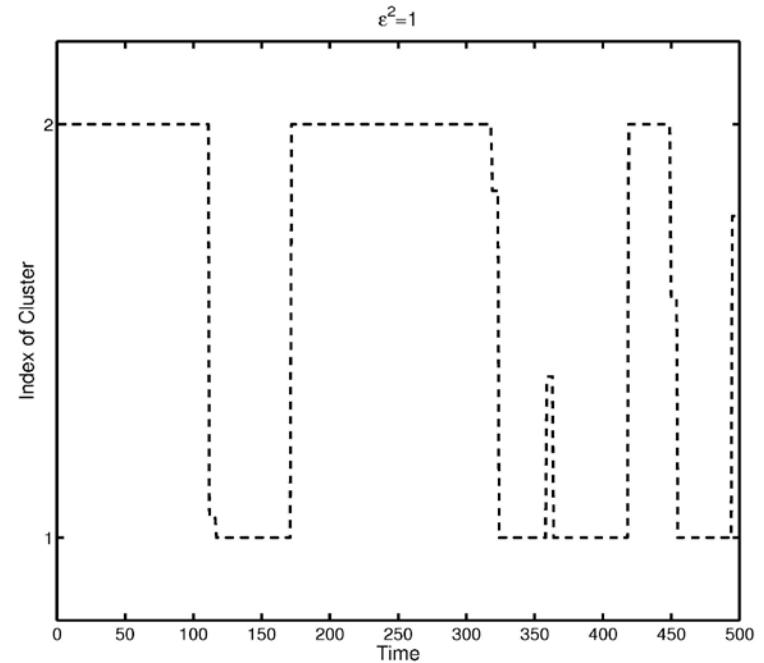
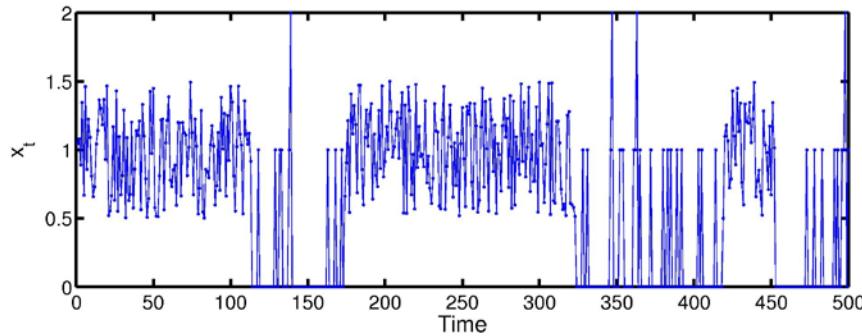
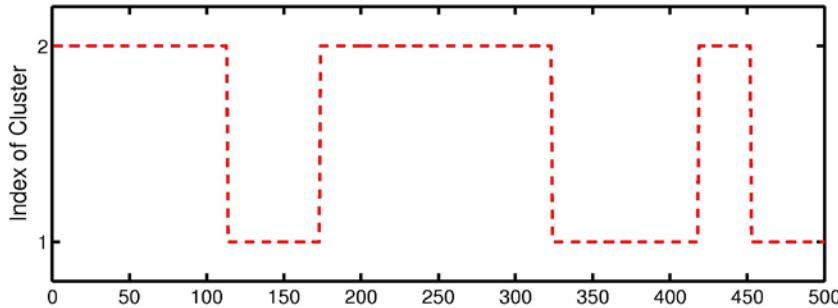
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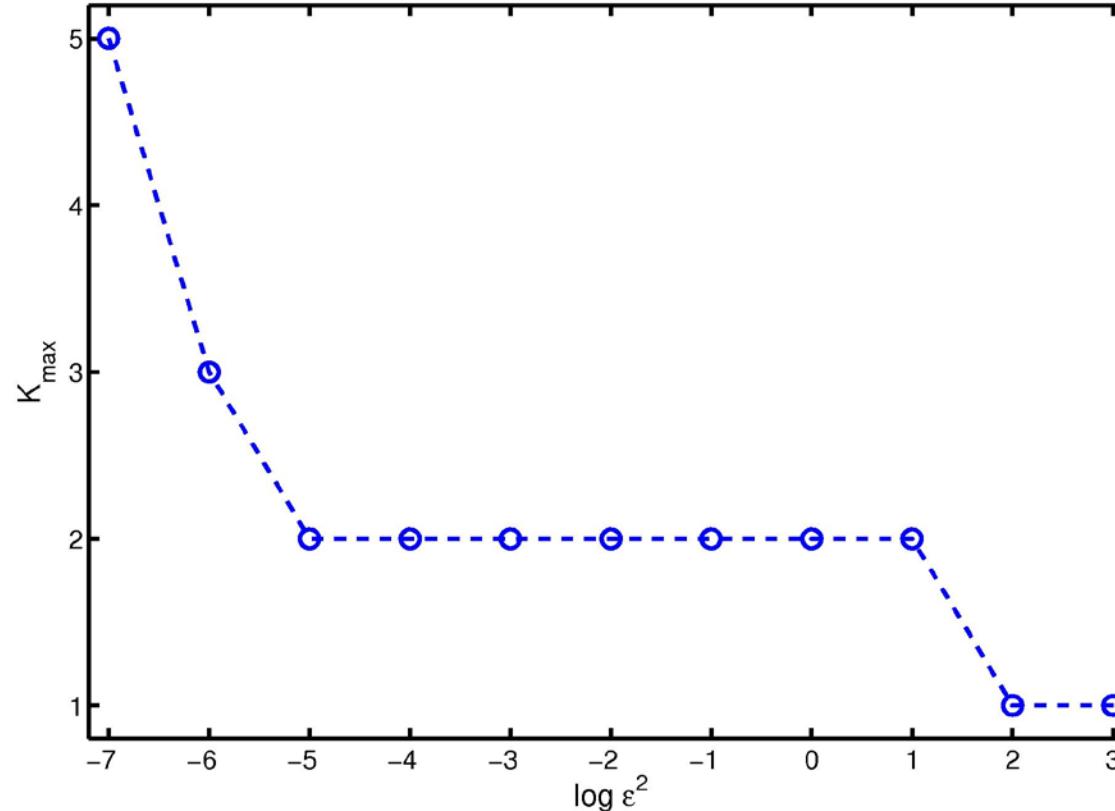




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How to determine the optimal K: probabilistic model assumptions  
a posteriori

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How to determine the optimal  $\epsilon$ : standard L-Curve approach from Tikhonov-regularized linear least-squares problems  
(Cullum(79), Hansen(99))

