

Multivariate Sparse Clustering for Extremes

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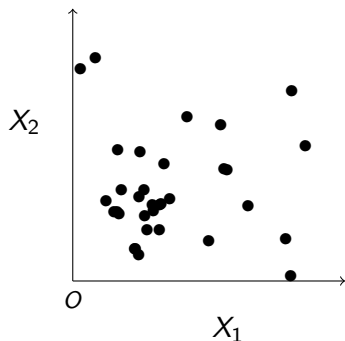


Some introductory words

General goal: Developing a procedure to learn the dependence structure of multivariate extremes

- ▷ How to model the dependence structure of multivariate extremes?
- ▷ In practice how to reduce the dimension (curse of dimensionality)?
- ▷ How many data points should be considered as extreme?

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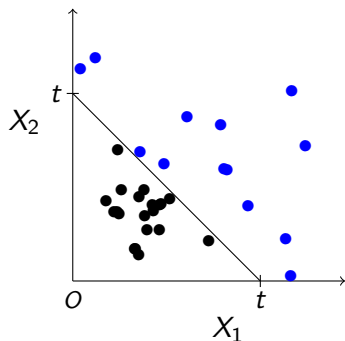


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- ▷ Study of the angular component:

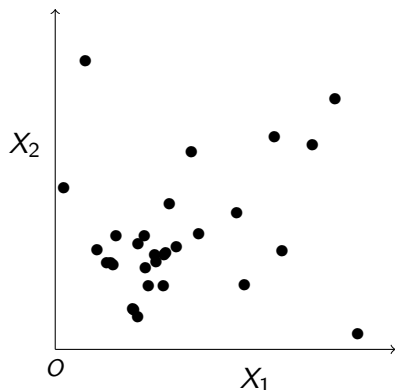
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The vector $\Theta = \mathbf{Y}/|\mathbf{Y}|$ in

$$\mathbb{S}_+^{d-1} = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}_+^d, |\mathbf{x}| = 1\}.$$

is the **spectral vector** and its distribution is the **spectral measure**.

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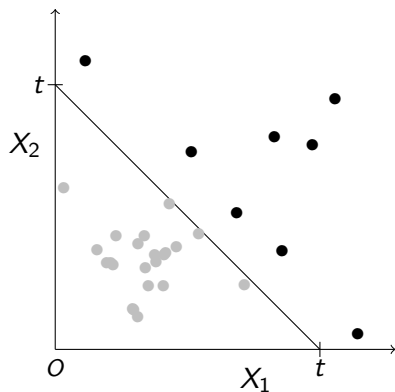


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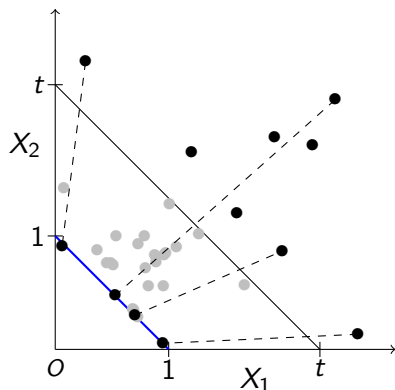


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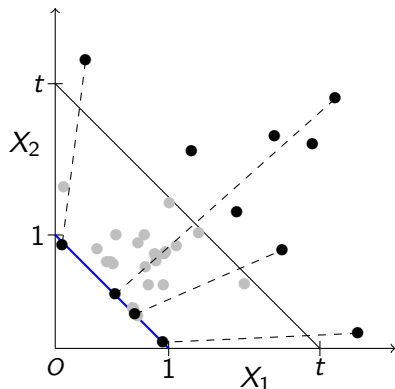


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↔ How to estimate the support of the spectral measure $S(\cdot) := \mathbb{P}(\Theta \in \cdot)$?

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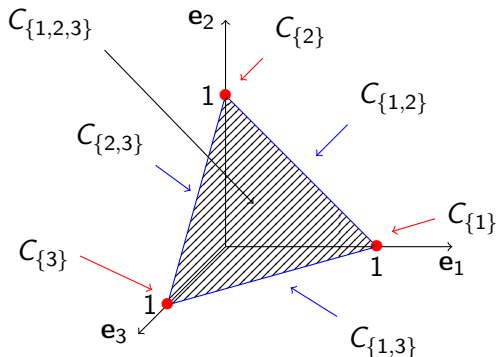
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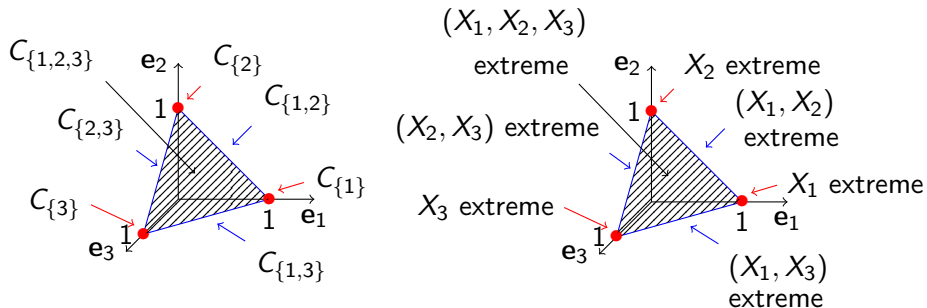
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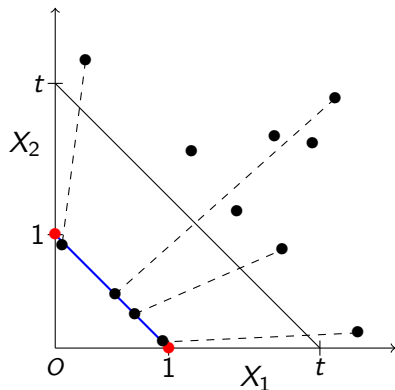
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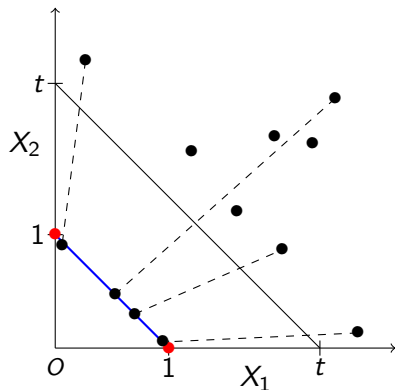
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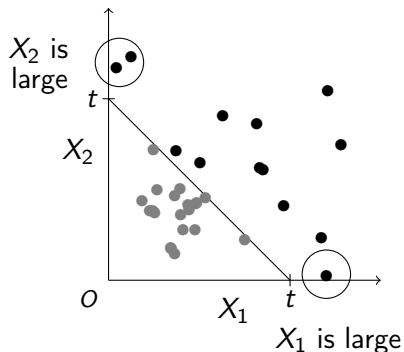
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▷ Statistical issue:

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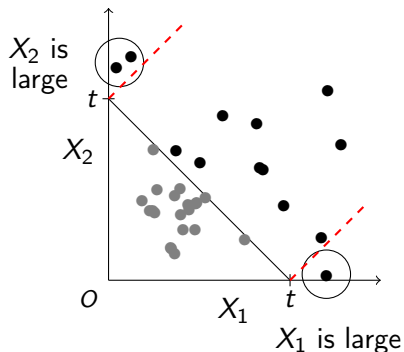
▷ Topological issue: Θ may put mass on the boundary of the C_β (no weak convergence)

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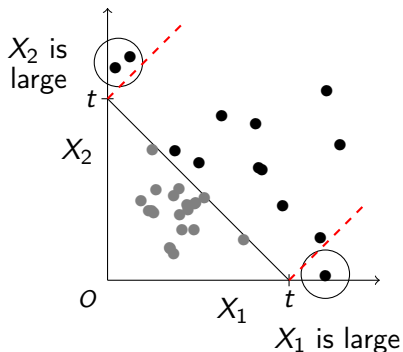
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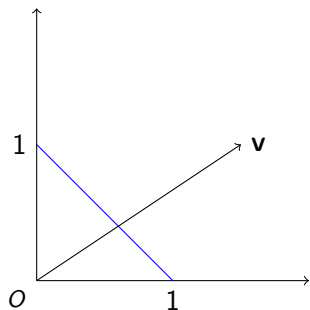
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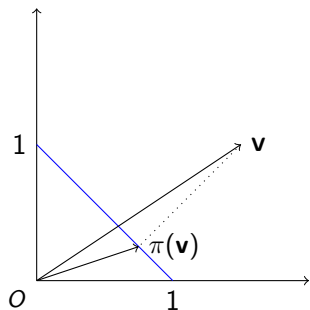


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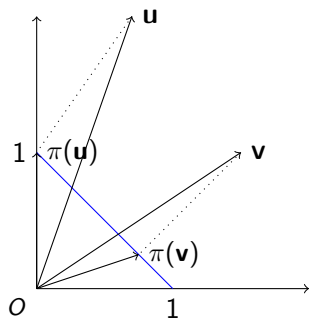


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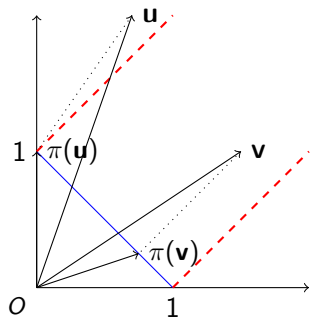


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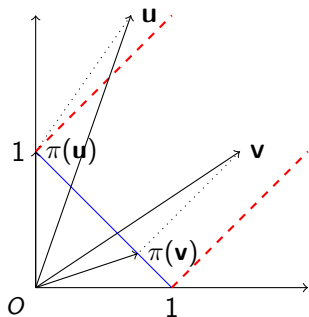


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So far: $\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{X}/|\mathbf{X}| \in \cdot \mid |\mathbf{X}| > t) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\Theta \in \cdot)$

Now: $\mathbb{P}(\pi(\mathbf{X}/t) \in \cdot \mid |\mathbf{X}| > t) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{Z} \in \cdot)$,
with $\mathbf{Z} = \pi(\mathbf{Y})$

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Theorem (M. & Wintenberger (2021+))

1. \mathbf{X} is regularly varying $\implies \mathbf{X}$ is sparsely regularly varying
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Proposition (M. & Wintenberger (2021+))

For $\beta \subset \{1, \dots, d\}$ we have the convergence

$$\mathbb{P}(\pi(\mathbf{X}/t) \in C_\beta \mid |\mathbf{X}| > t) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{Z} \in C_\beta), \quad t \rightarrow \infty.$$

+ Other results that link both vectors \mathbf{Z} and Θ

Recap: Studying dependence in extremes

- ▷ *Goal*: Identify clusters β in which extremes appear
- ▷ *Standard model*: Regular variation $\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{X}/t \in \cdot \mid |\mathbf{X}| > t) \xrightarrow{w} \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{Y} \in \cdot)$
- ▷ *Direct attempt*: Study the angular component $\Theta = \mathbf{Y}/|\mathbf{Y}|$ via $\mathbf{X}/|\mathbf{X}|$
 \hookrightarrow some issues
- ▷ *Idea*: Study the angular component $\mathbf{Z} = \pi(\mathbf{Y})$ via $\pi(\mathbf{X}/t)$

\rightsquigarrow How to estimate the support of \mathbf{Z} in a statistical framework?

Statistical framework

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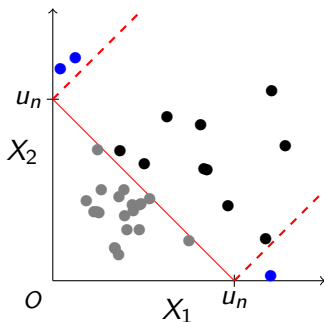
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- ▷ Three types of components for \mathbf{T}_n :
 - $T_n(\beta) \gg 0$: relevant clusters
 - $T_n(\beta) \approx 0$: biased clusters
 - $T_n(\beta) = 0$: non-relevant clusters

Convergence results

Define $\mathcal{S}^*(\mathbf{Z}) := \{\beta : \mathbb{E}[T_n(\beta)] \rightarrow \infty, n \rightarrow \infty\}$ with cardinality s^* and $\mathbf{T}_{n, \mathcal{S}^*(\mathbf{Z})} := (T_n(\beta))_{\beta \in \mathcal{S}^*(\mathbf{Z})}$

Theorem

1. *Convergence: $\mathbf{T}_{n, \mathcal{S}^*(\mathbf{Z})}/k_n \rightarrow (\mathbf{p}^*, 0, \dots, 0)$ in probability when $n \rightarrow \infty$.*
2. *Asymptotic normality under hidden regular variation and bias assumptions:*

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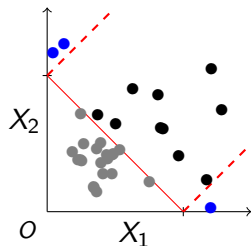
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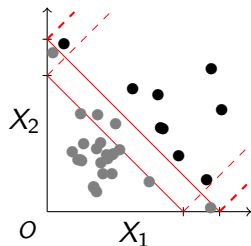
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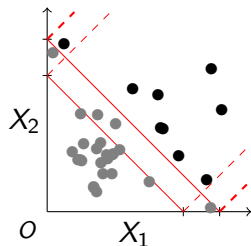
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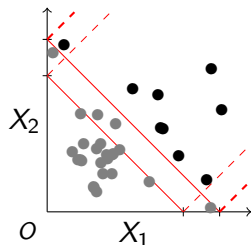
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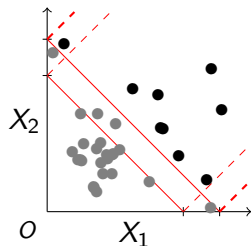
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- ▷ Similar calculations: minimize the quantity

$$\frac{1}{k} \left(-\log L_{\mathbf{M}_k}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}; \mathbf{T}_n) + (s+1) - k \log(1 - k/n) \right).$$

Algorithm: MUSCLE

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Data: A sample $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n \in \mathbb{R}_+^d$ and a range of values K for the level for $k \in K$ do

 Compute $u_n = |\mathbf{X}|_{(k+1)}$ the $(k+1)$ -th largest norm;

 Assign to each $\pi(\mathbf{X}_j/u_n)$ the subsets C_β it belongs to;

 Compute \mathbf{T}_n ;

 Compute $\hat{s}(k)$ which minimizes the penalized log-likelihood;

end

Choose \hat{k} which minimizes

$$(-\log L_{\mathbf{M}_k}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}; \mathbf{T}_n) + \hat{s}(k))/k + k/n;$$

Output: $\hat{\mathcal{S}}^* = \{ \text{the } \beta\text{'s associated to } T_{n,j} > 0 \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, \hat{s}(\hat{k}) \}$.

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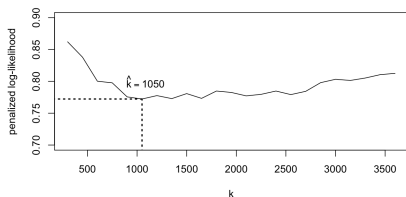


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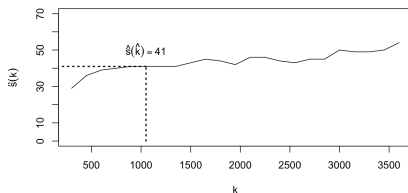


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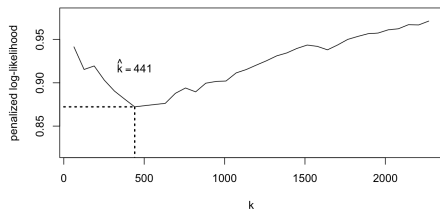


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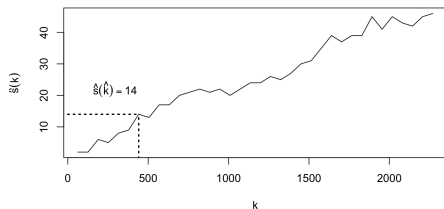
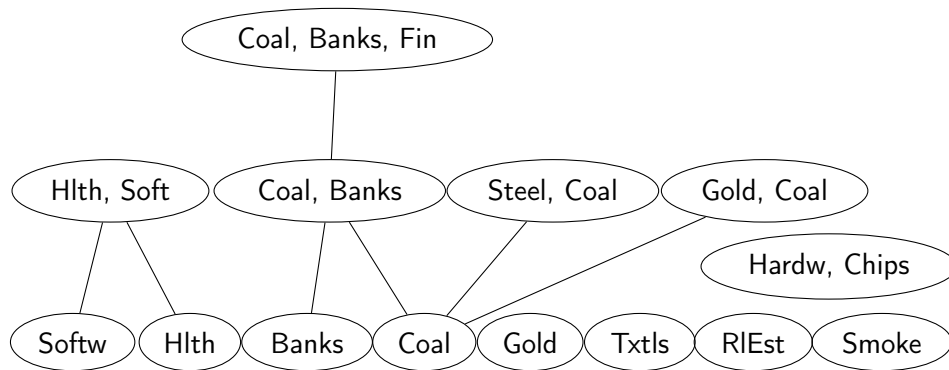


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\hookrightarrow We obtain $\hat{k} = 441$ and $\hat{s}(\hat{k}) = 14$ (with $\hat{\mathcal{S}}^*(\mathbf{Z})$ on the next slide).

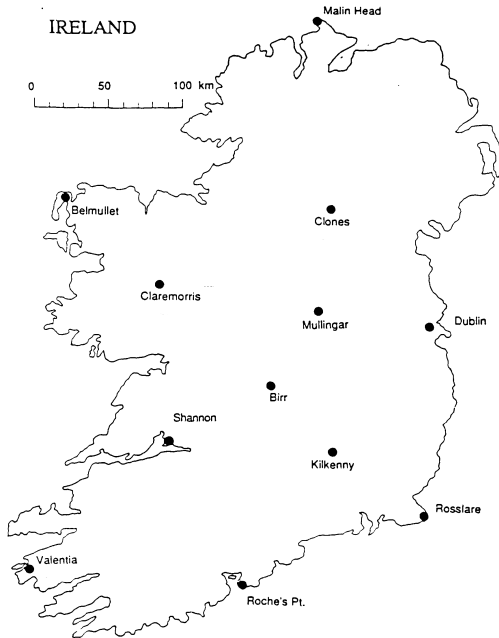
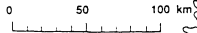
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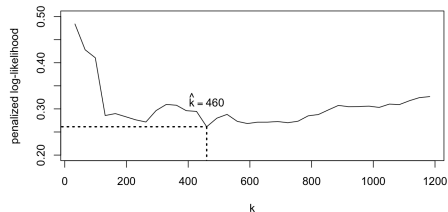


Figure: Evolution of the estimator of $KL(\mathbf{P}_n \parallel \mathbf{M}_n)$.

↪ We obtain $\hat{k} = 460$ and $\hat{s}(\hat{k}) = 11$ (with $\hat{\mathcal{S}}^*$ on the next slide)

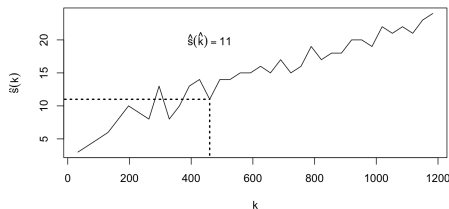


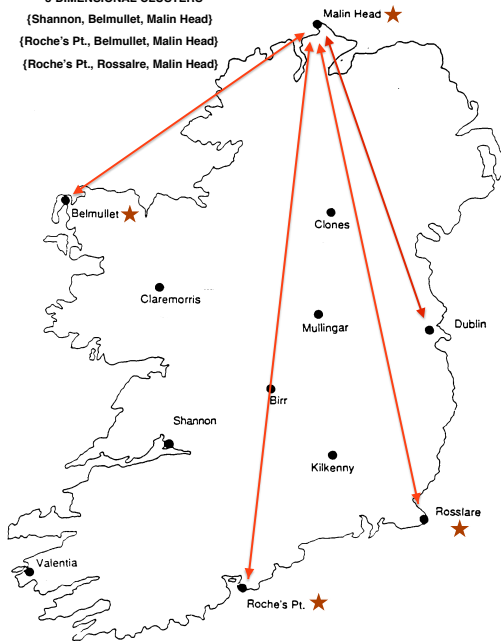
Figure: Evolution of the optimal value of s for the variability.

3-DIMENSIONAL CLUSTERS

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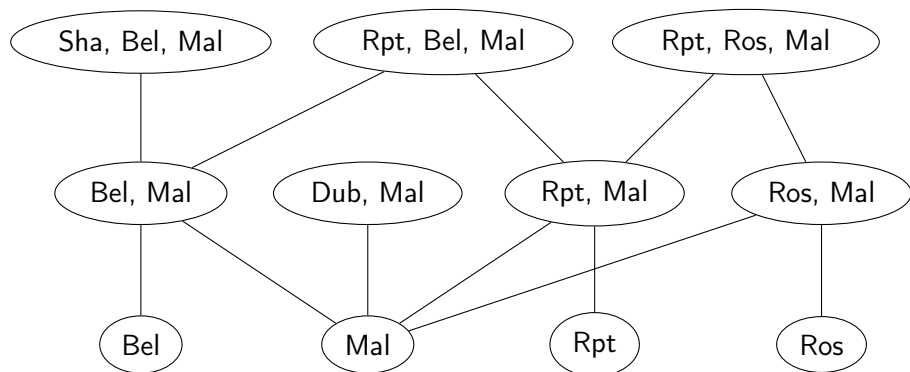


Figure: Representation of the 11 clusters and their inclusions.

Summary and future work

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- ▷ An efficient algorithm to study multivariate extremes
- ▷ No hyperparameter! (the selection of k is included in the procedure)
- ▷ Dimension reduction

Future work

- ▷ Extend the work to regularly varying time series
- ▷ Study the vector \mathbf{Z} and Θ on each cluster

Thank you for your attention!

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