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Univariate Self-Starting Shiryaev (U3S): A Bayesian Online Change Point Model in Short Runs

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A brief description



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The likelihood will be:

$$f(\boldsymbol{x_n}|\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\phi}, \tau) = \begin{cases} f(\boldsymbol{x_n}|\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\phi}, \tau \le n) = \prod_{i=1}^{\tau-1} f(\boldsymbol{x_i}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \prod_{i=\tau}^n f(\boldsymbol{x_i}|g(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\phi})) \text{ if } \tau \le n \\ f(\boldsymbol{x_n}|\boldsymbol{\theta}, \tau > n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(\boldsymbol{x_i}|\boldsymbol{\theta}) & \text{ if } \tau > n \end{cases}$$



The stopping time is based on the posterior marginal probability of a change point occurrence, which is:

$$p(\tau \le n | \boldsymbol{x_n}) = \frac{f(\boldsymbol{x_n} | \tau \le n) \pi(\tau \le n)}{f(\boldsymbol{x_n} | \tau \le n) \pi(\tau \le n) + f(\boldsymbol{x_n} | \tau > n) \pi(\tau > n)}$$
$$= \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{\pi(\tau = k)}{\pi(\tau > n)} \cdot BF_{k,n+}}{\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{\pi(\tau = k)}{\pi(\tau > n)} \cdot BF_{k,n+} + 1}$$

where $BF_{k,n+} = \frac{f(x_n | \tau = k)}{f(x_n | \tau > n)}$ (Bayes Factor), compares the evidence that the $k^{th} \leq n$ observation to be the change point against the evidence that all available *n* observations are IC.

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• If the prior $\pi(\theta)$ is improper, we sacrifice the *s* first observations $x_{1:s}$ needed to make the posterior $p(\theta|x_{1:s})$ proper and then replace the prior $\pi(\theta)$ by $p(\theta|x_{1:s})$.



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• Apart from change point detection, we can also provide inference for the unknown parameters:

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$$\left\{\begin{array}{l} p_{IC}\left(\theta|x_{n}\right) & \text{if a change point did not occur} \\ p_{OOC}\left(\theta,\phi,\tau|x_{n}\right) & \text{if an alarm is raised} \end{array}\right.$$



IC scenario $(\tau > n)$

OOC scenario ($\tau \leq n$)























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- $\tau \sim DW(p,\beta)$ (*Discrete Weibull*), where τ is the location of a potential change point,
 - p is the probability for an observation to be OOC,
 - β controls the hazard function,

if
$$eta=1$$
 then $au \sim {\sf G}({\sf p})$ (Geometric)

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Under the **OOC scenario** the posterior distributions are:

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$$\theta_1 | (\theta_2^2, \delta, \tau \le n, \boldsymbol{x_n}) \sim N\left(\frac{\lambda \mu_0 + X_{1:n} - n_\tau \delta \theta_2}{\lambda + n}, \frac{\theta_2^2}{\lambda + n}\right)$$

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where $n_{t}=n-t+1$ and $S_{t_{1}:t_{2}}^{2}=\sum_{i=t_{1}}^{t_{2}}(x_{i}-\theta_{1})^{2}$
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• $p (\tau = k | \theta_{1}, \theta_{2}^{2}, \delta, \boldsymbol{x_{n}}) = \frac{exp \left\{ \frac{\delta (X_{k:n} - n_{k}\theta_{1})}{\theta_{2}} - \frac{n_{k}\delta^{2}}{2} \right\} \left((1 - p)^{(k-1)^{\beta}} - (1 - p)^{k^{\beta}} \right)}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} exp \left\{ \frac{\delta (X_{j:n} - n_{j}\theta_{1})}{\theta_{2}} - \frac{n_{j}\delta^{2}}{2} \right\} \left((1 - p)^{(j-1)^{\beta}} - (1 - p)^{j^{\beta}} \right)}$

where
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Simulation results



Mean Step Changes of $1\theta_2$



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