

# DATA MINING 2

## Time Series - Similarities & Distances

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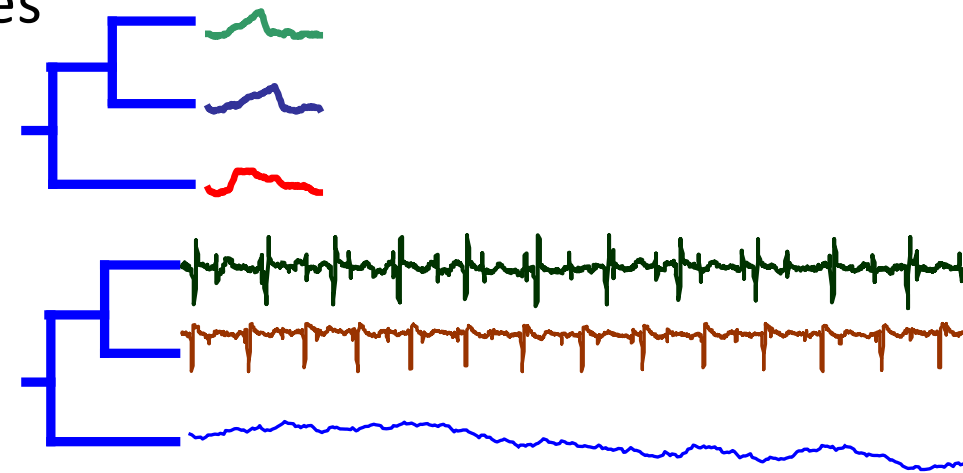
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# Distances and Similarities

- Time series problems such as classification, forecasting, clustering, etc. require the usage of a notion of distance or similarity.
- What is similarity?
- It is the quality or state of being similar, likeness, resemblance, as a similarity of features.
- In TSA we recognize two types of similarity measures depending on the data representation considered:
  - **shape-based similarity**
  - **structural-based similarity**



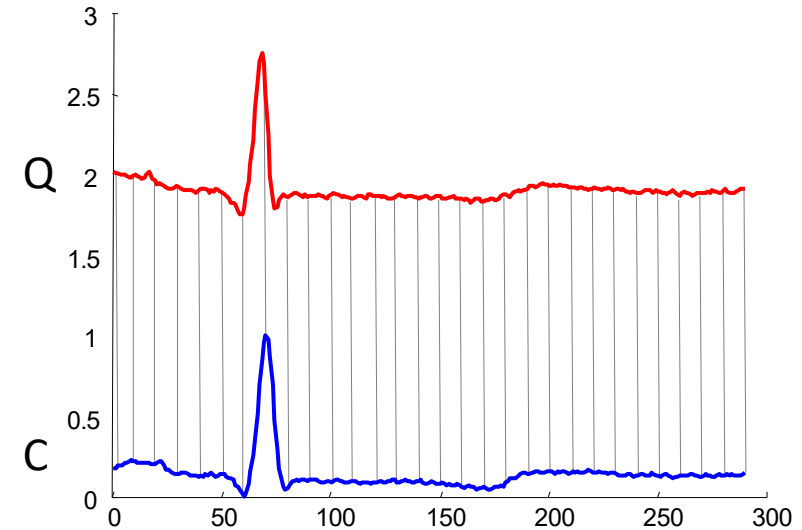
# Shape vs Structural Similarities

## Shape-based Similarity

- The original values of the time series are compared taking time into account.
- Better for short time series.

## Structural Similarity

- Time series are transformed into an alternative representation where the novel features are time-independent.
- Better for long time series.



|   | min | max | mean | std |
|---|-----|-----|------|-----|
| Q | 1.8 | 2.9 | 2.0  | 1.3 |
| C | 0.0 | 1.0 | 0.2  | 1.2 |

# Euclidean Distance

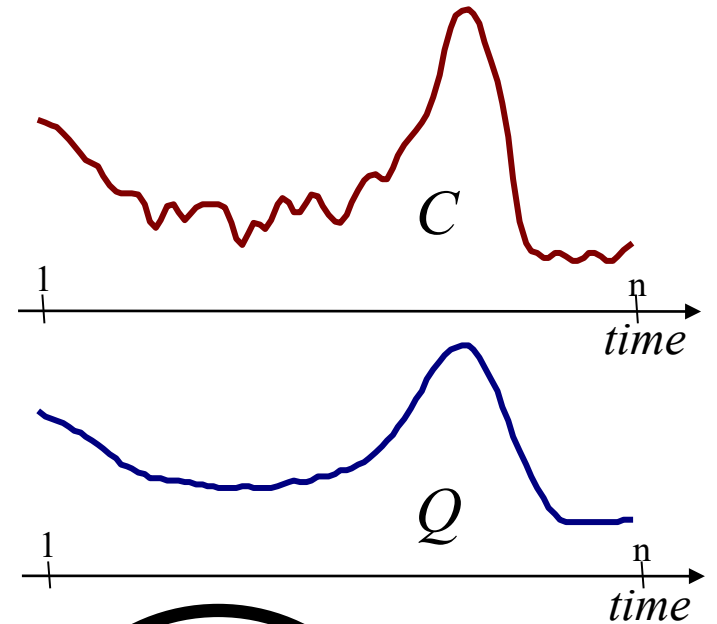
- Given two time series:

- $Q = q_1 \dots q_n$
- $C = c_1 \dots c_n$

$$D(Q, C) \equiv \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (q_i - c_i)^2}$$

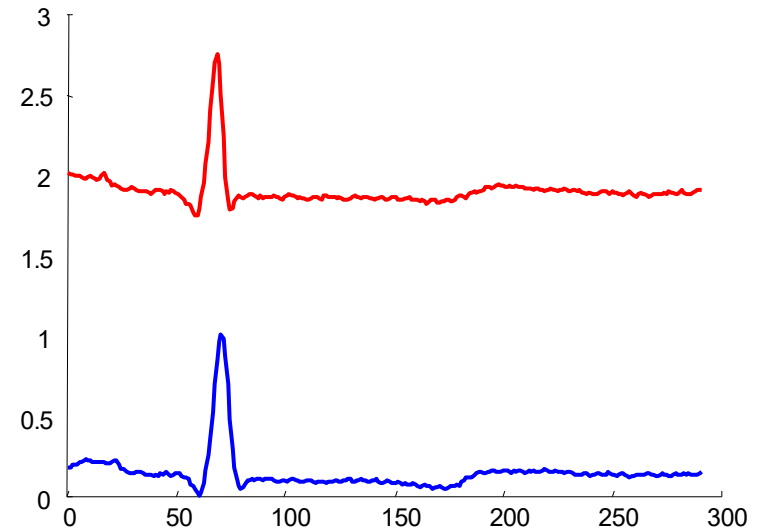
- $T1 = \langle 56, 176, 110, 95 \rangle$
- $T2 = \langle 36, 126, 180, 80 \rangle$

$$D(T1, T2) = \text{sqrt} [ (56-36)^2 + (176-126)^2 + (110-180)^2 + (95-80)^2 ]$$



# Problems with Euclidean Distance

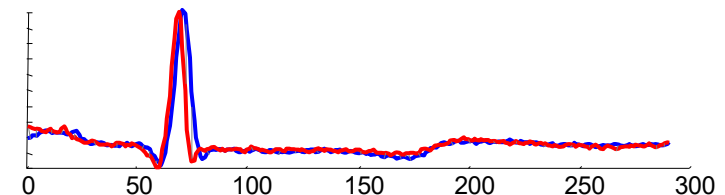
- Euclidean distance is very sensitive to “distortions” in the data.
- These distortions are dangerous and should be removed.
- Most common distortions:
  - Offset Translation
  - Amplitude Scaling
  - Linear Trend
  - Noise
- They can be removed by using the appropriate normalization.



$$Q = Q - \text{mean}(Q)$$

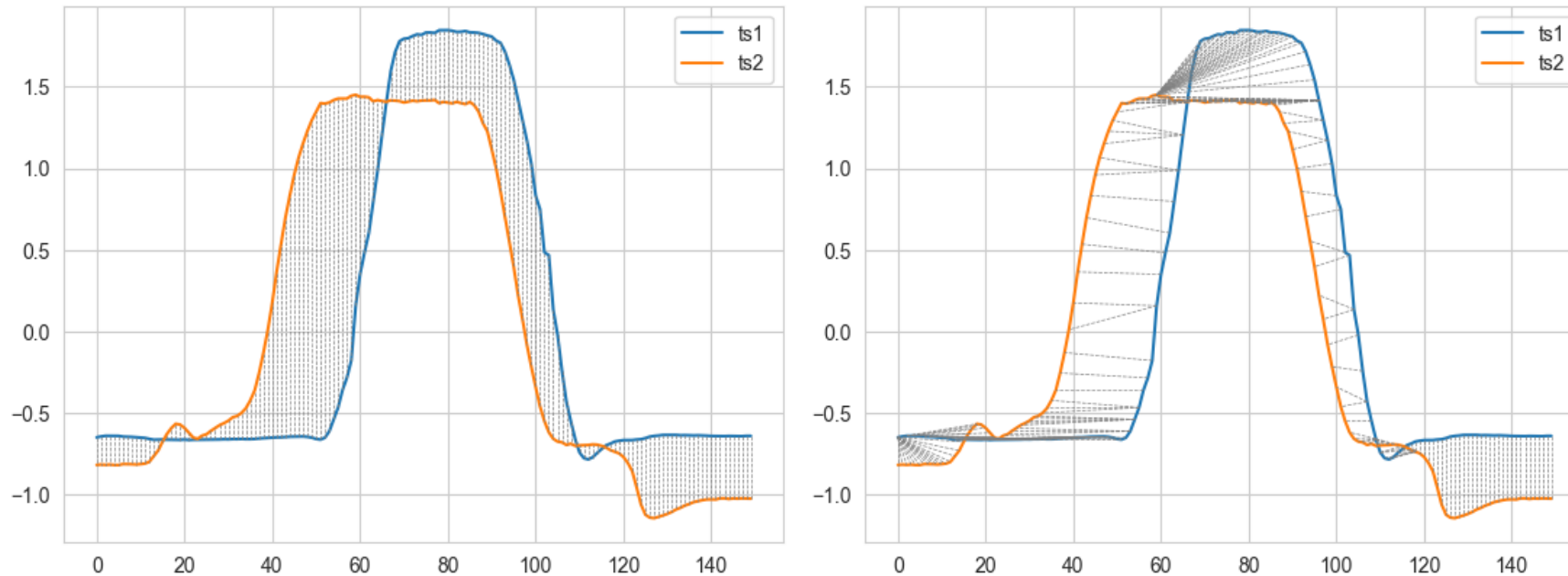
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$$D(Q,C)$$



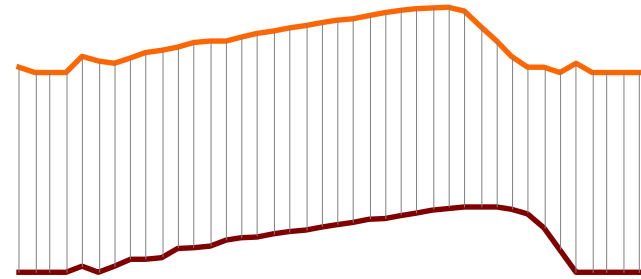
# Further Problems with Euclidean Distance

- Even after normalization, the Euclidean distance may still be unsuitable for some time series domains since it does not allow for acceleration and deceleration along the time axis.

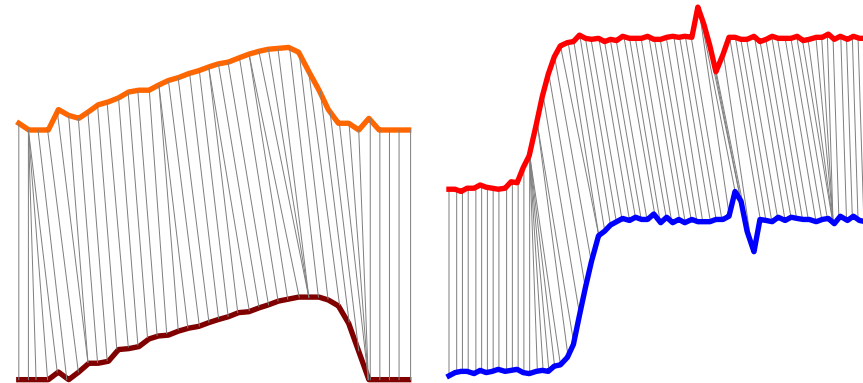
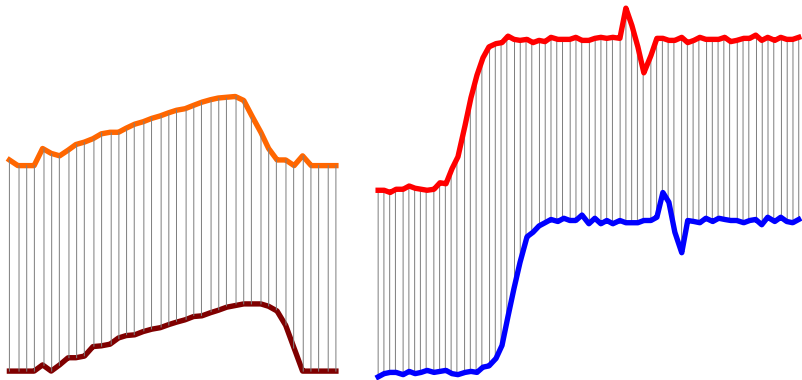


# Dynamic Time Warping

- Sometimes two time series that are conceptually equivalent evolve at different speeds, at least in some moments.

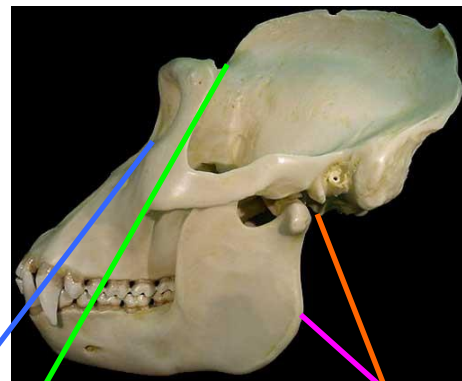


E.g. correspondence of peaks in two similar time series

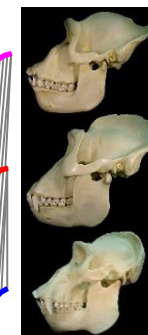
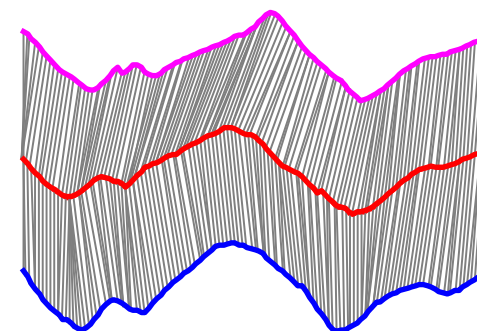
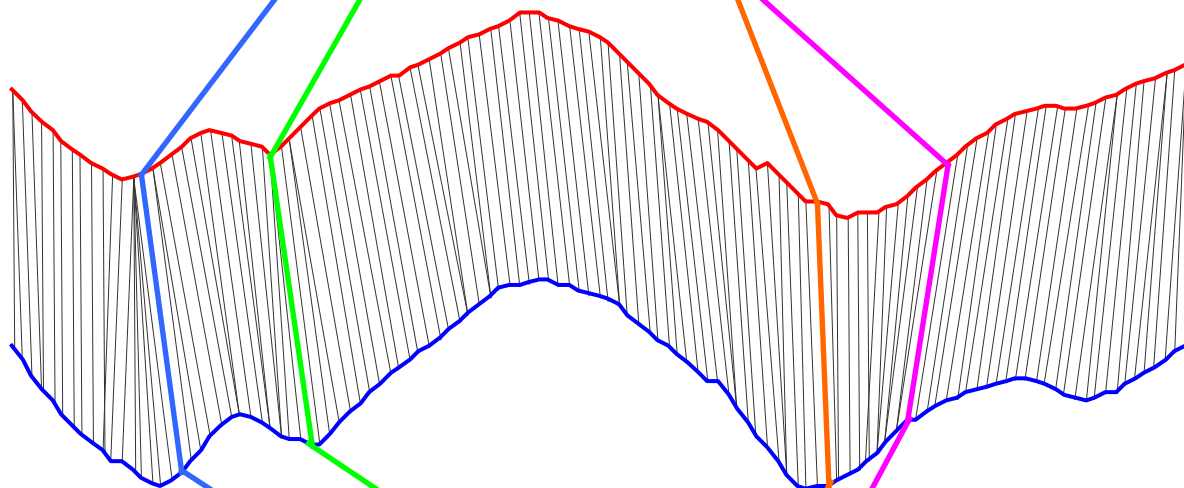
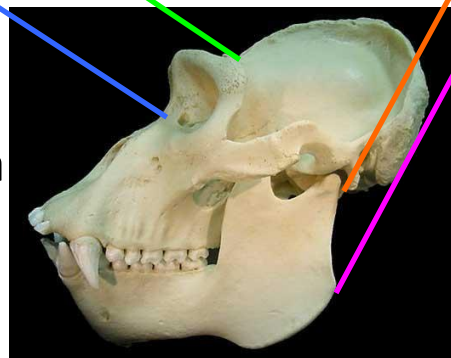


- **Euclidean distance - Fixed Time Axis:** Sequences are aligned “one to one”. Greatly suffers from the misalignment in data.
- **Dynamic Time Warping - Warped Time Axis:** Nonlinear alignments are possible. Can correct misalignments in data.

Lowland Gorilla

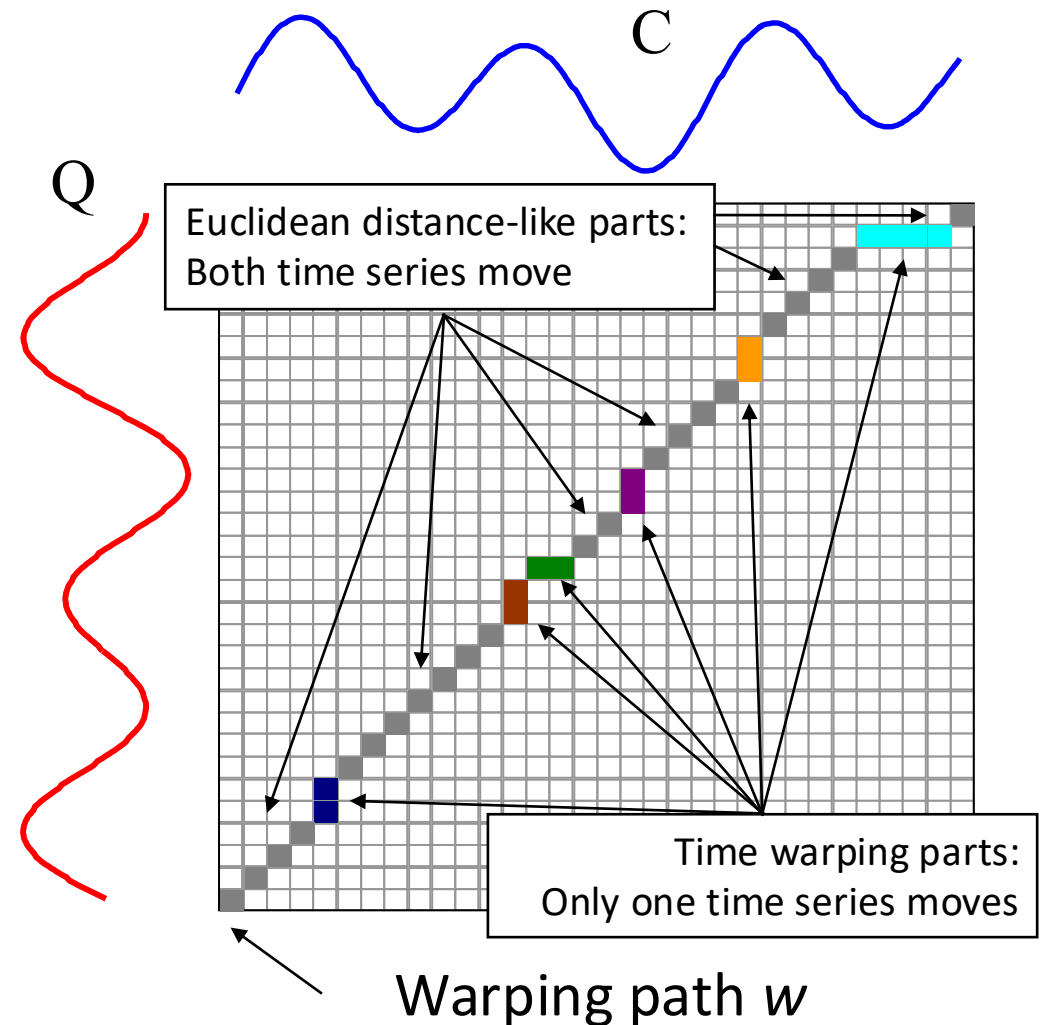
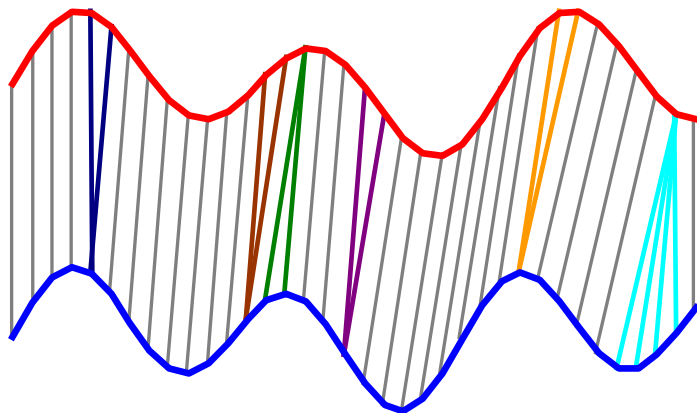


Mountain Gorilla



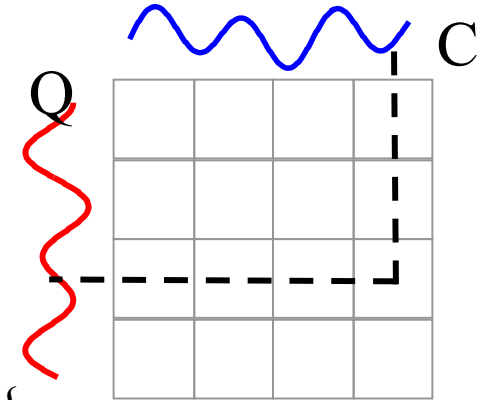
# How is DTW Calculated?

- Every possible warping between two time series, is a path through the matrix.
- The constrained sequence of comparisons performed:
  - Start from pair of points  $(0,0)$
  - After point  $(i,j)$ , either  $i$  or  $j$  increase by one, or both of them
  - End the process on  $(n,m)$



# Dynamic Programming Approach

**Step 1:** Compute the matrix of all *point-to-point* distances  $d(q_i, c_j) = | Q_i - C_j |$

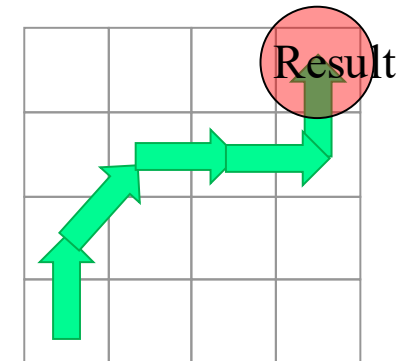


**Step 2:** Compute the cumulative cost matrix as  $\gamma(i,j) = d(q_i, c_j) + \min \{ \gamma(i-1, j-1), \gamma(i-1, j), \gamma(i, j-1) \}$

- Start from cell  $(1,1)$
- Compute  $(2,1), (3,1), \dots, (n,1)$
- Repeat for columns  $2, 3, \dots, n$
- Final distance value is in the last cell computed



**Step 3:** find the path with the lowest values, i.e., the best alignment between Q and C



# Dynamic Programming Approach

$$\gamma(i,j) = d(q_i, c_j) + \min \{ \gamma(i-1, j-1), \gamma(i-1, j), \gamma(i, j-1) \}$$

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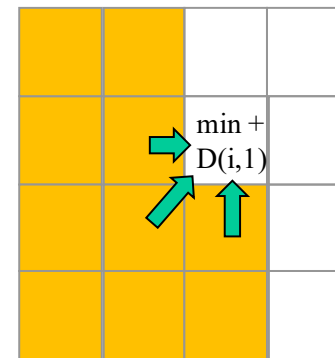
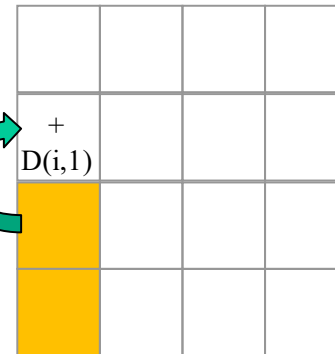
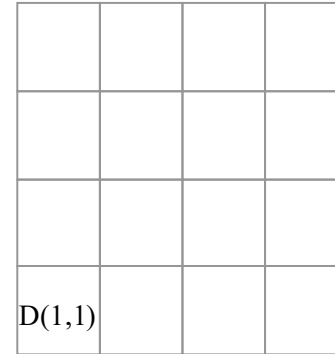
- Start from cell  $(1,1)$

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(1,1) &= d(q_1, c_1) + \min \{ \gamma(0,0), \gamma(0,1), \gamma(1,0) \} \\ &= d(q_1, c_1) \\ &= D(1,1) \end{aligned}$$

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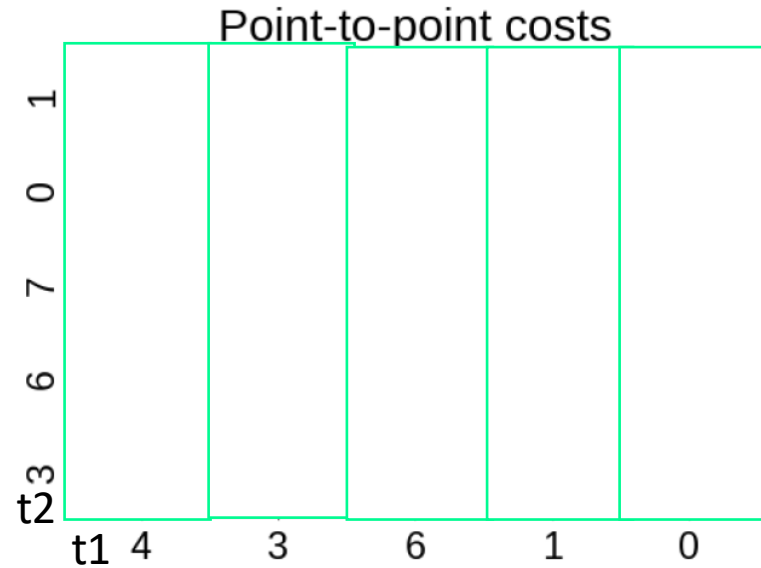
- Repeat for columns  $2, 3, \dots, n$ 
  - The general formula applies



# DTW – Example

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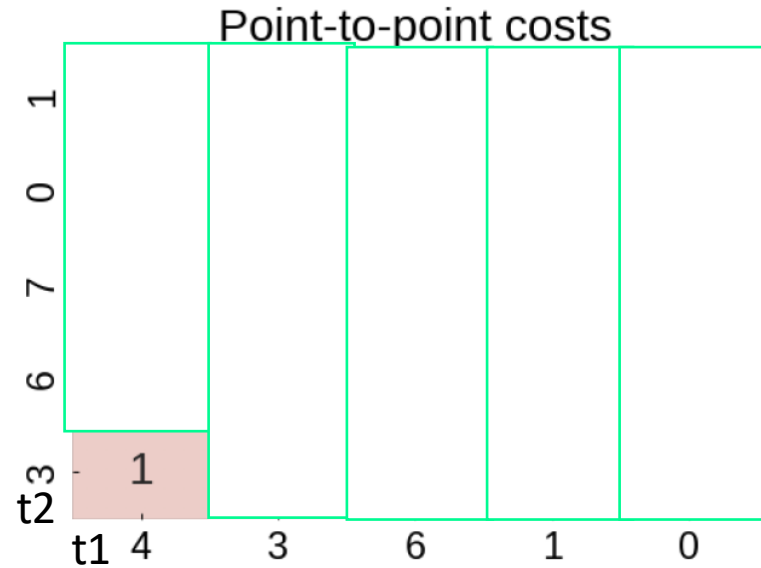


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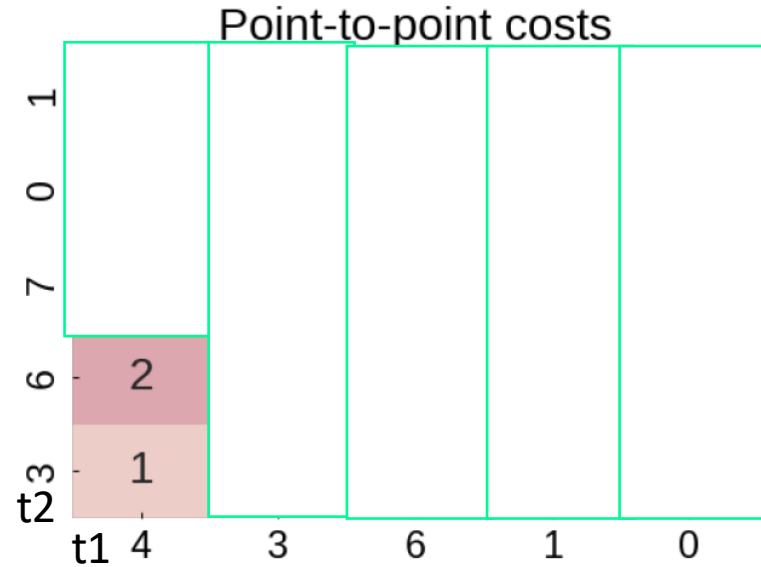


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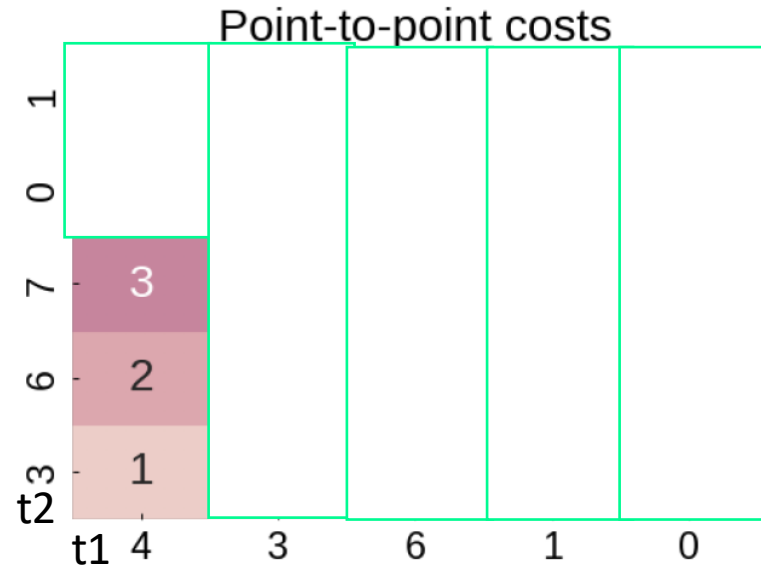


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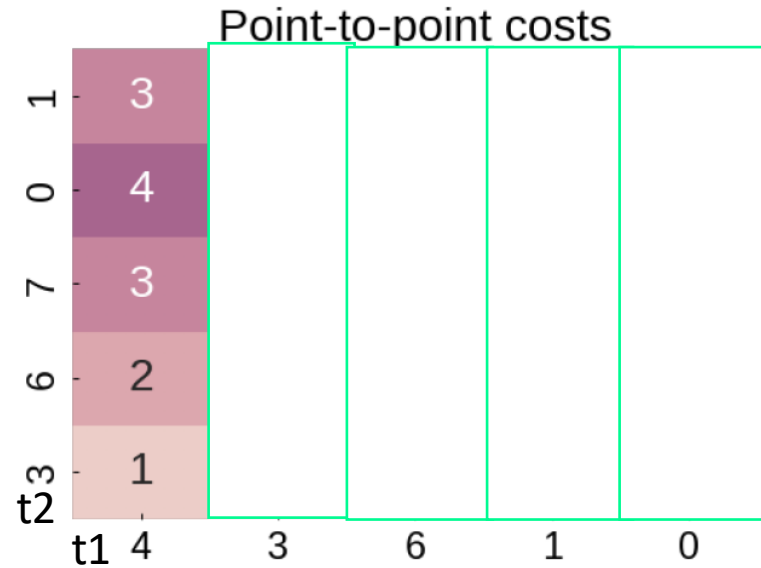


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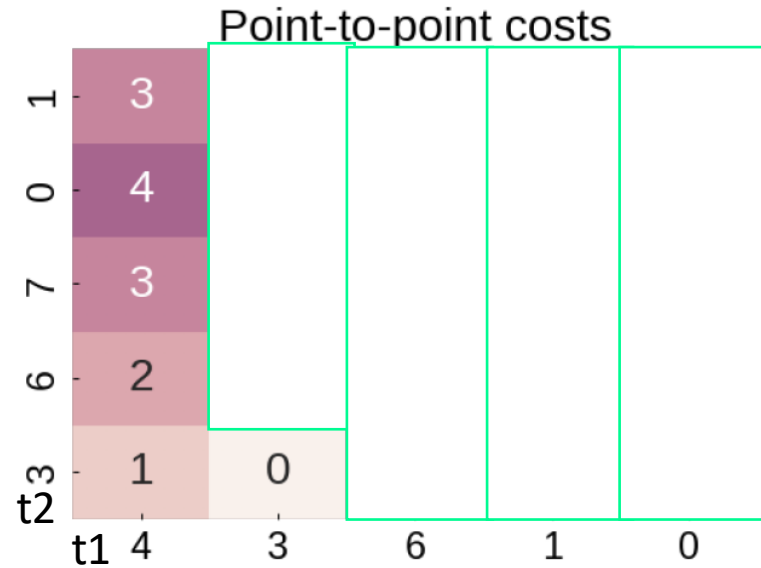


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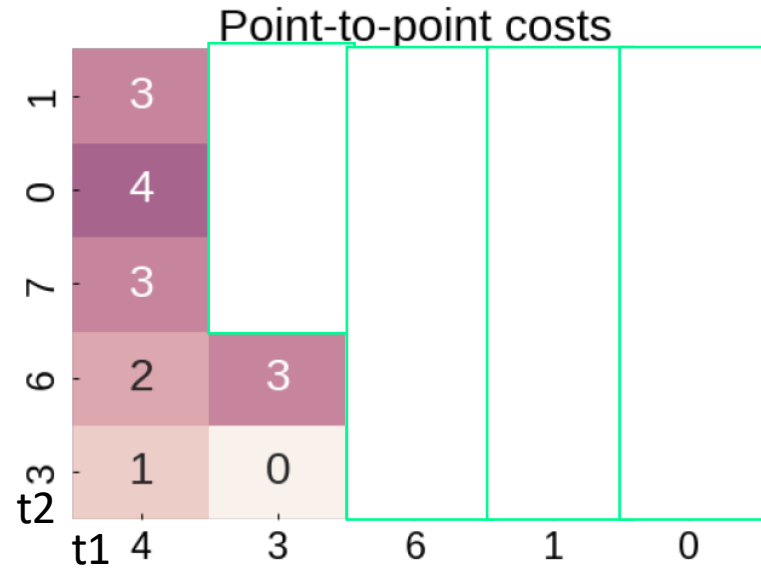


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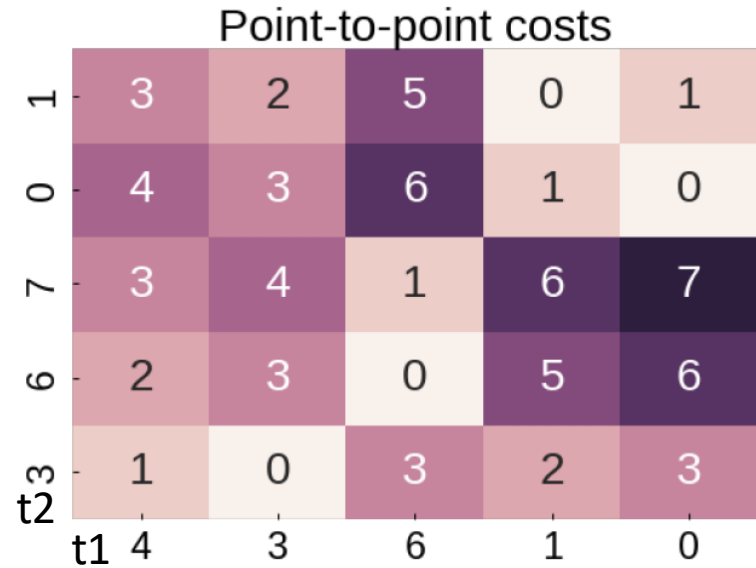


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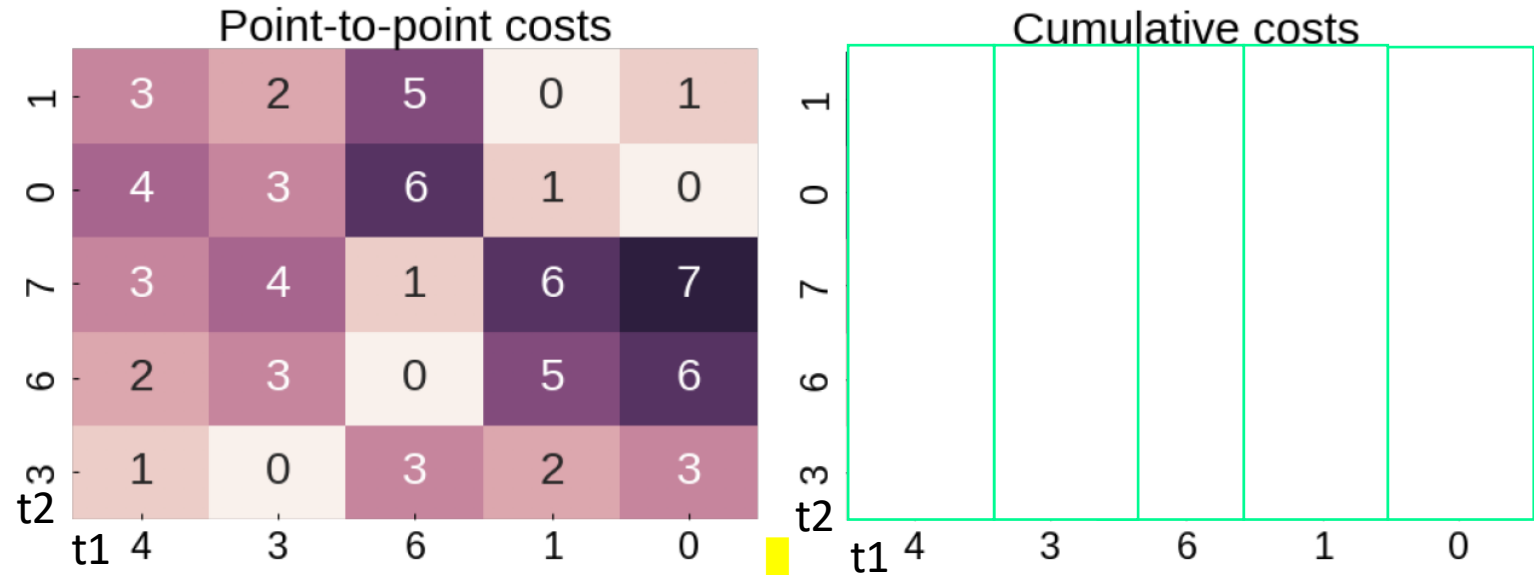


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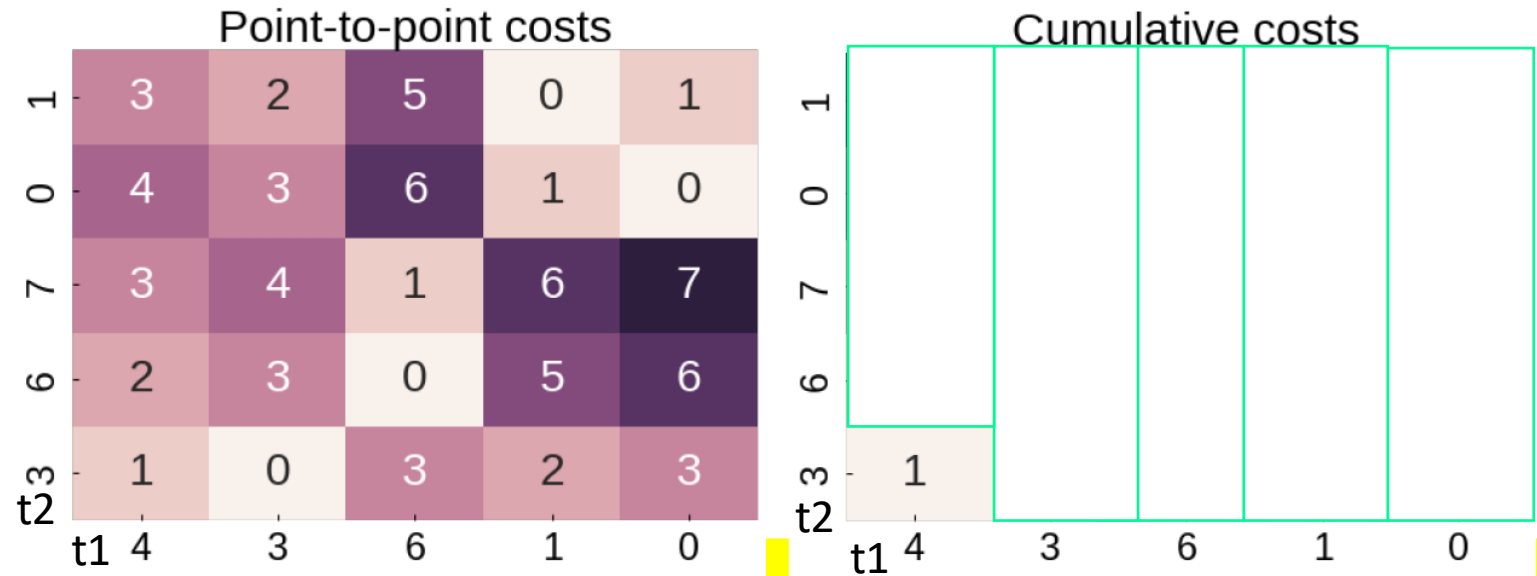
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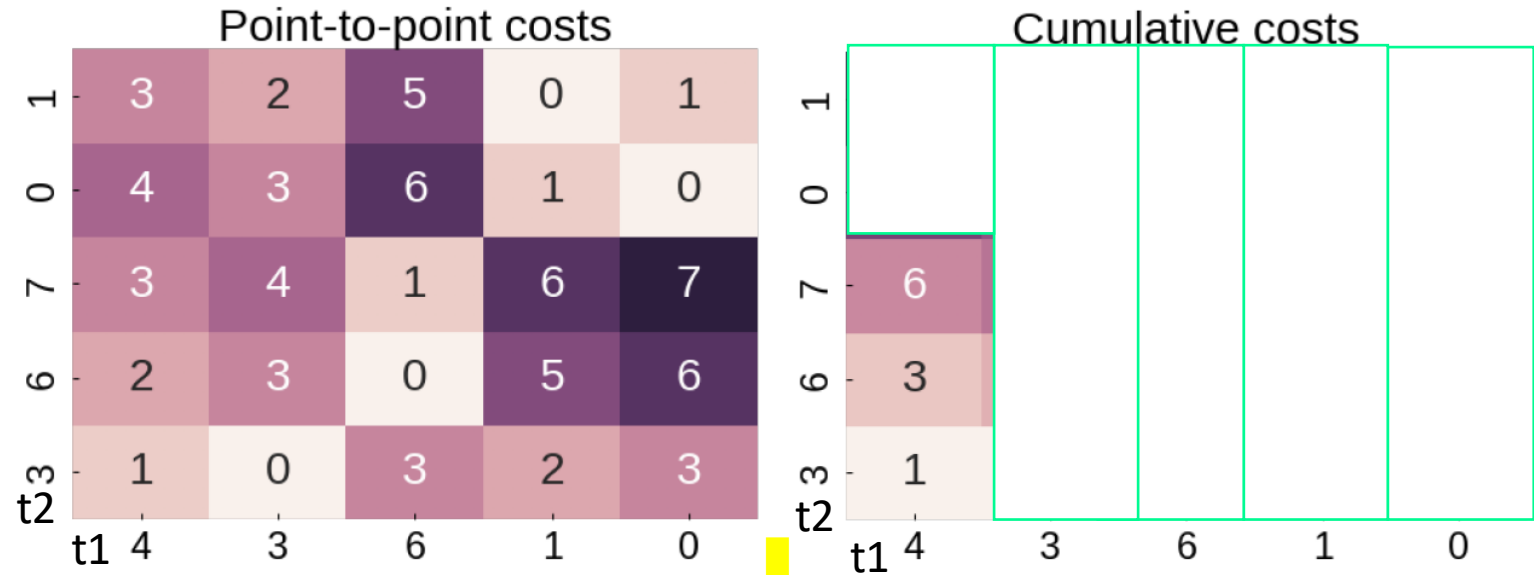
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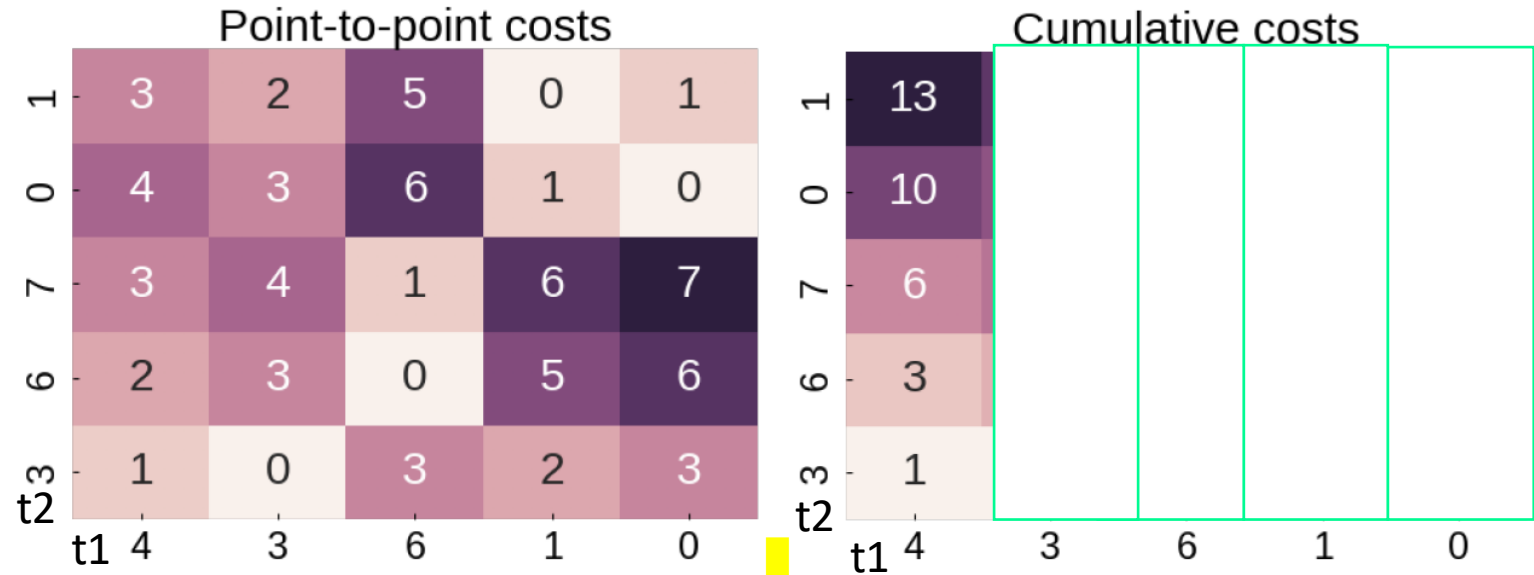
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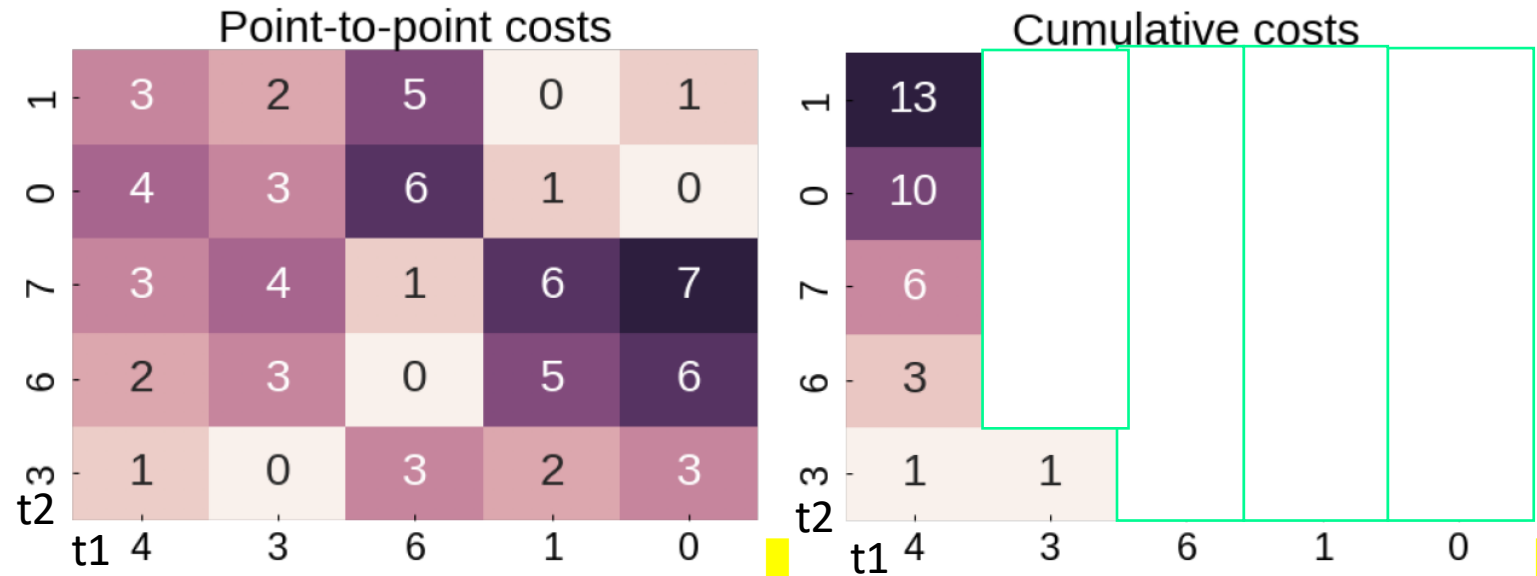
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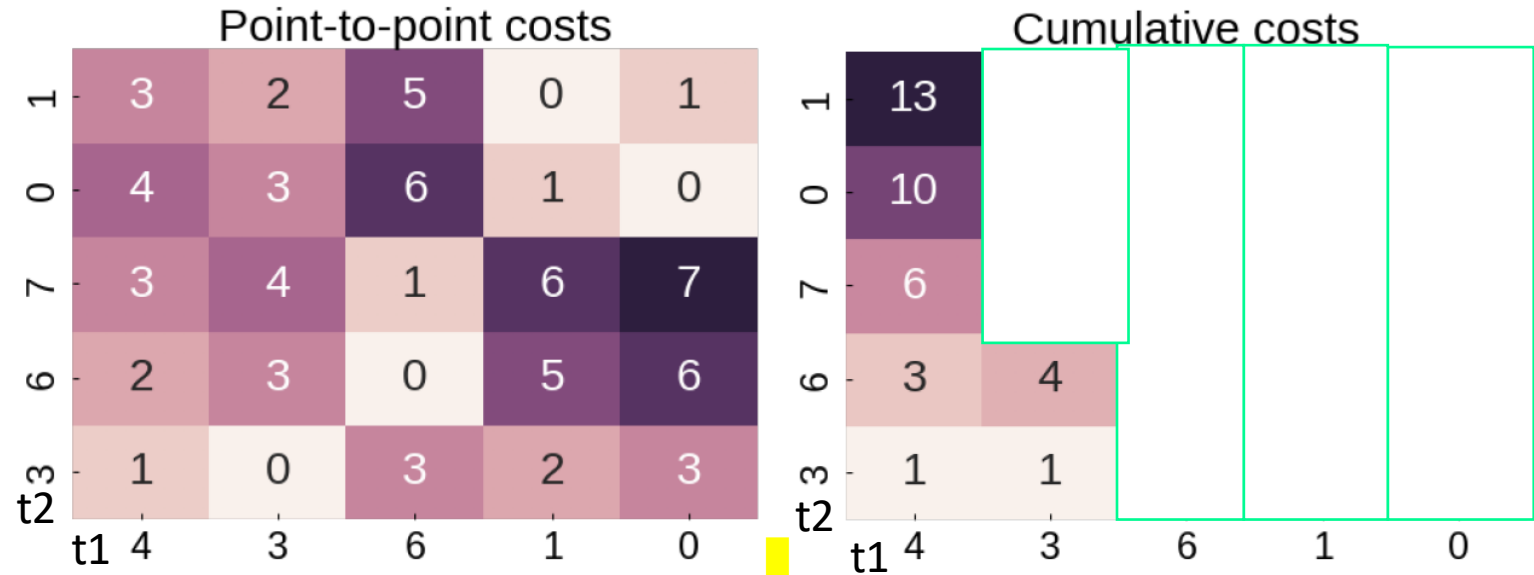
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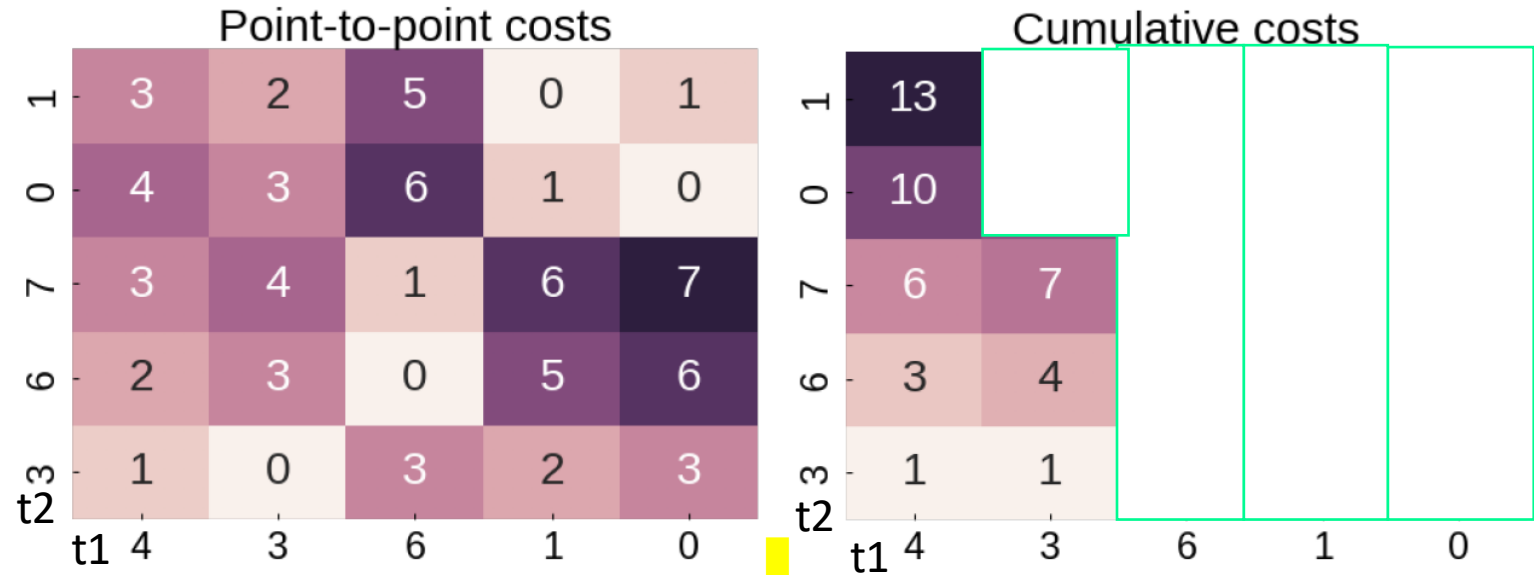
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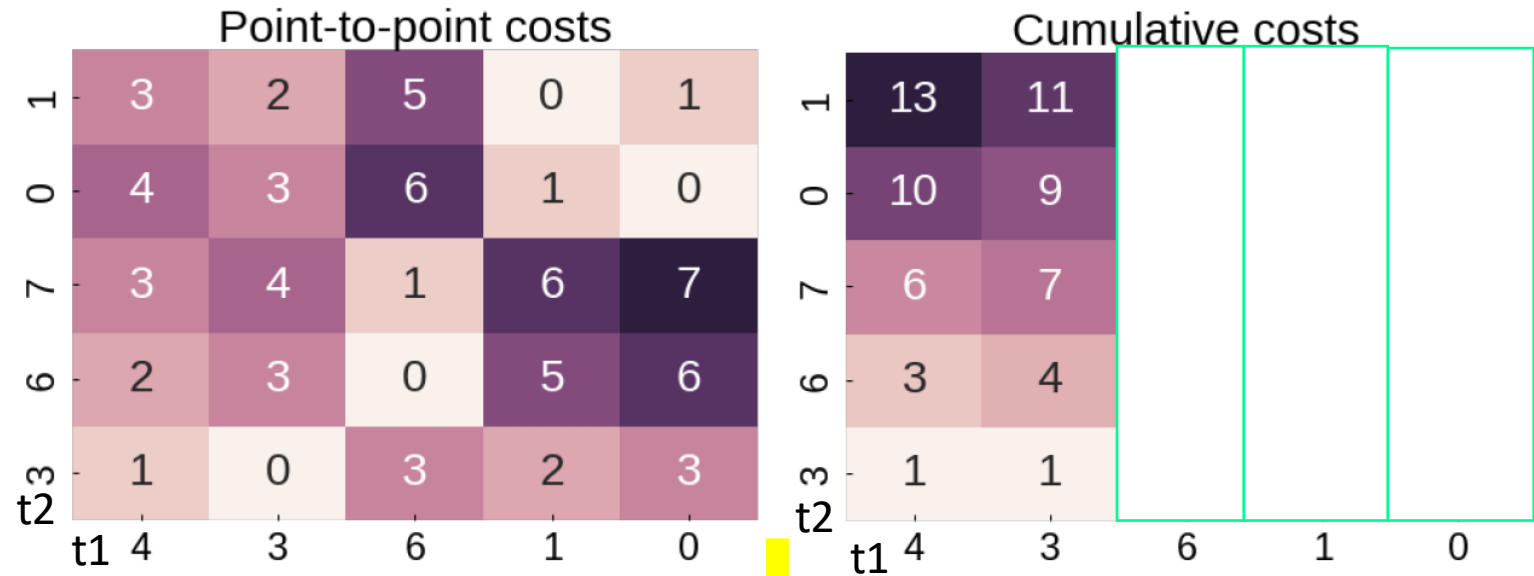
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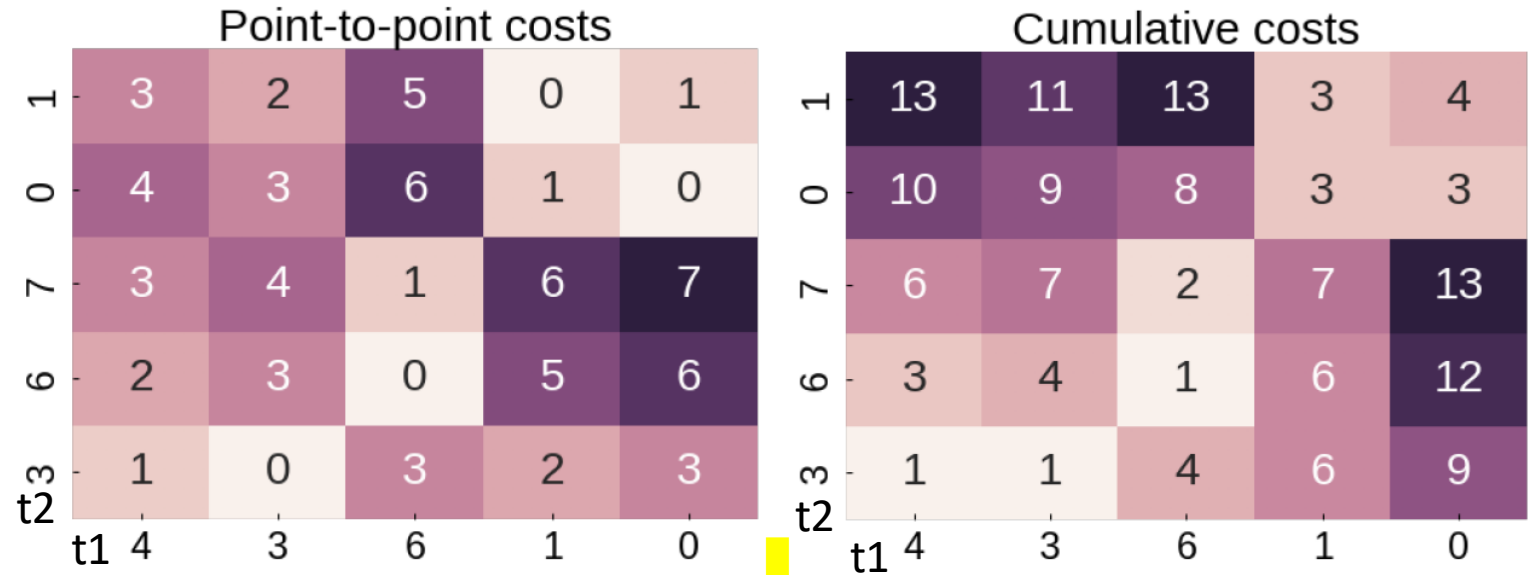
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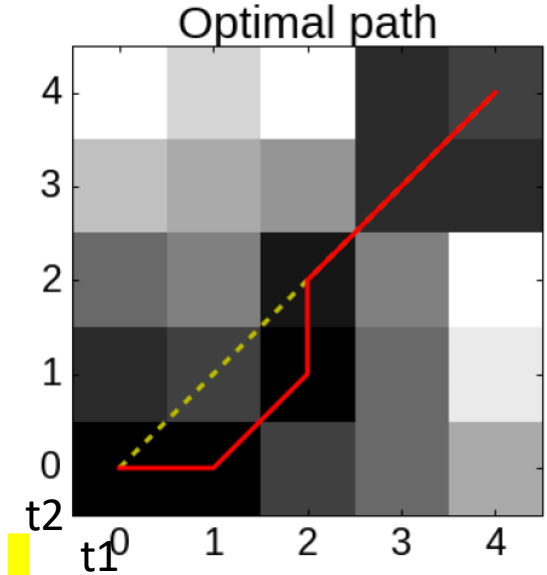
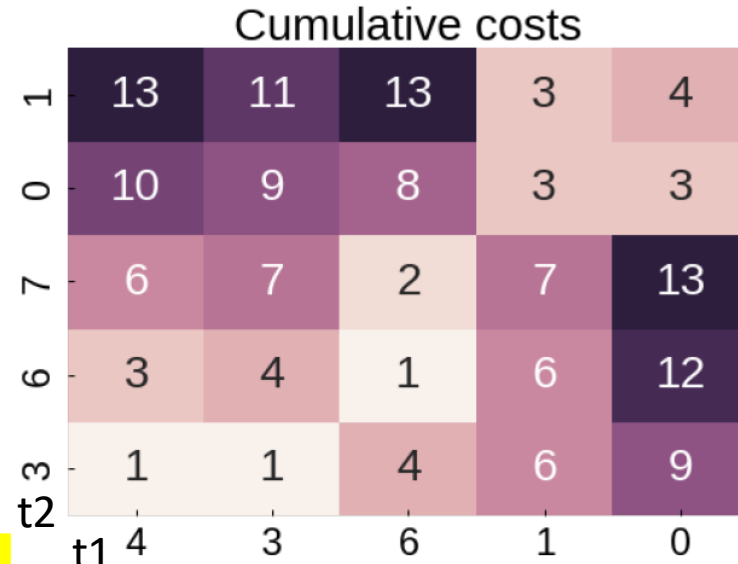
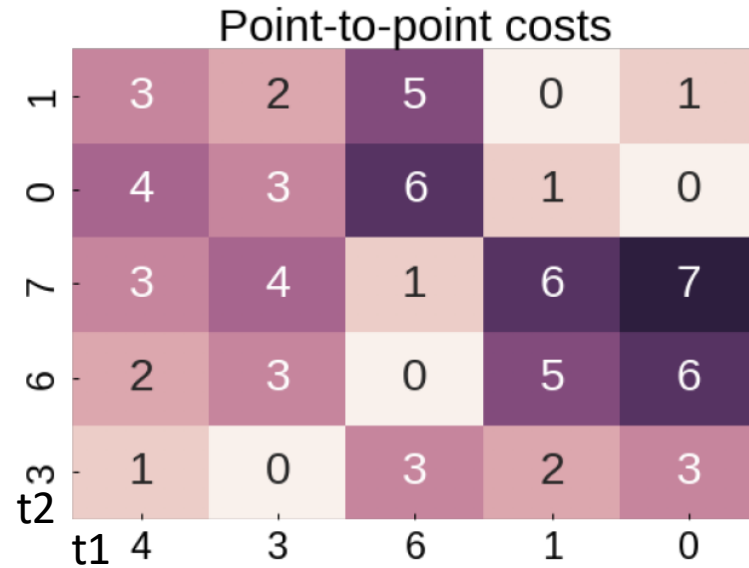
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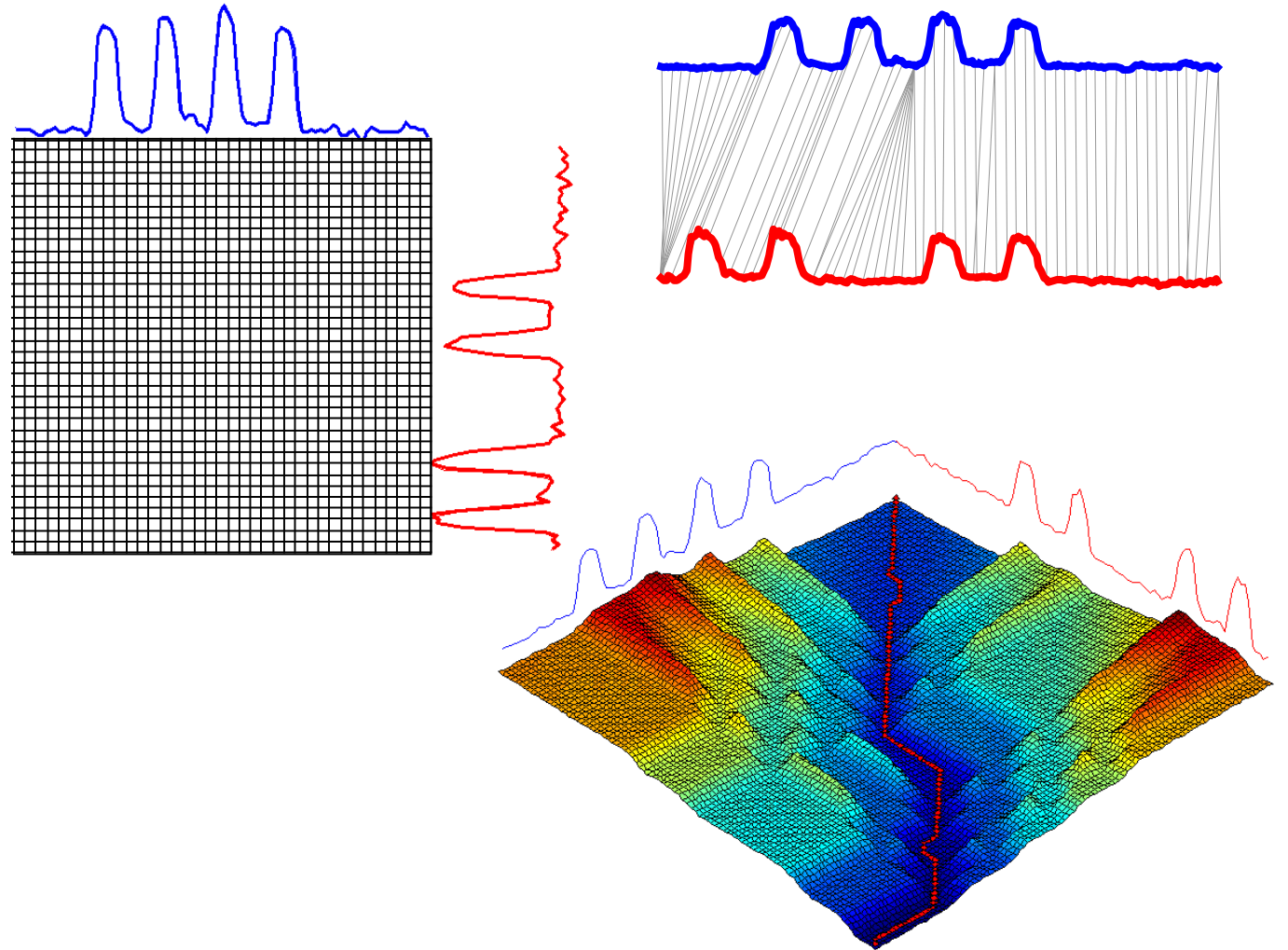
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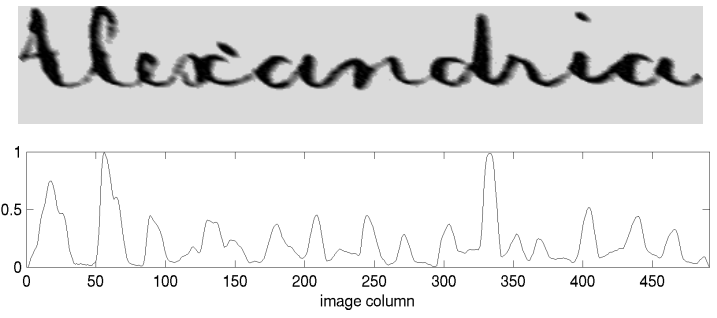
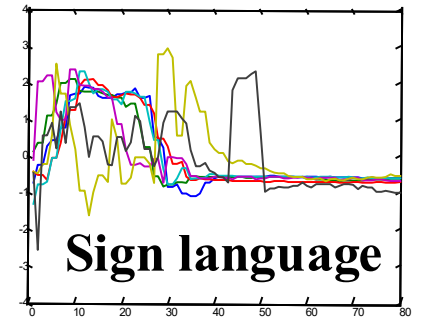
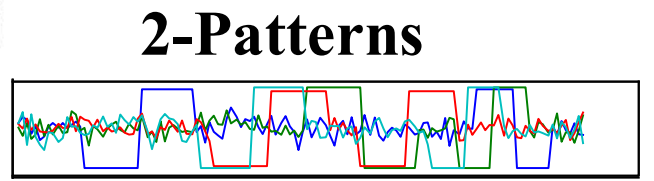
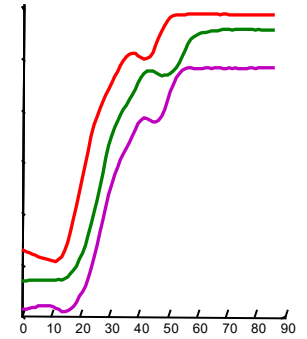
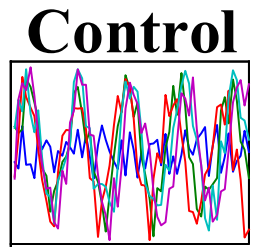
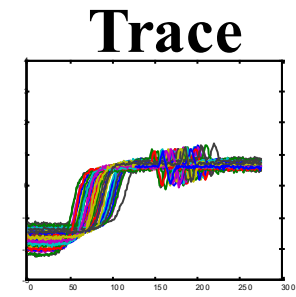
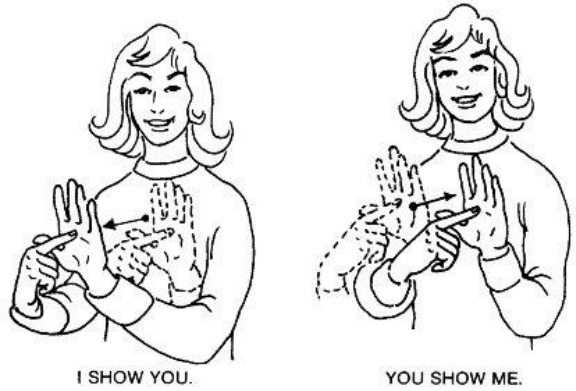
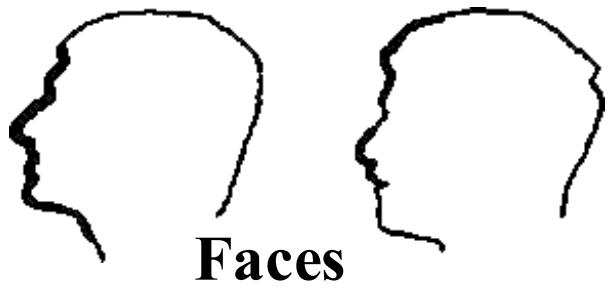
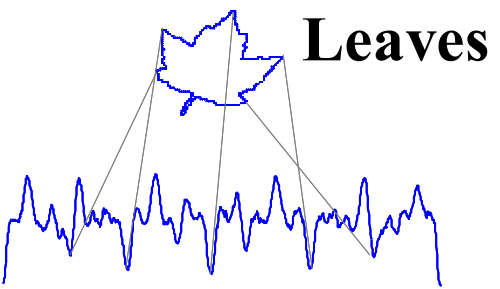
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# DTW – A Real Example

- This example shows 2 one-week periods from the power demand time series.
- Note that although they both describe 4-day work weeks, the blue sequence had Monday as a holiday, and the red sequence had Wednesday as a holiday.



# Comparison of Euclidean Distance and DTW



**Word Spotting**

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- Classification using 1-NN
- $\text{Class}(x)$  = class of most similar training object
- Leaving-one-out evaluation
- For each object: use it as test set, return overall average

| Dataset             | Accuracy  |      |
|---------------------|-----------|------|
|                     | Euclidean | DTW  |
| Word Spotting       | 0.95      | 0.99 |
| Sign language       | 0.71      | 0.74 |
| GUN                 | 0.95      | 0.99 |
| Nuclear Trace       | 0.89      | 1.00 |
| Leaves <sup>#</sup> | 0.67      | 0.96 |
| (4) Faces           | 0.94      | 0.97 |
| Control Chart*      | 0.93      | 1.00 |
| 2-Patterns          | 0.99      | 1.00 |

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- For each object: use it as test set, return overall average
- DTW is two to three orders of magnitude slower than Euclidean distance.

Milliseconds

| Dataset       | Euclidean | DTW     |
|---------------|-----------|---------|
| Word Spotting | 40        | 8,600   |
| Sign language | 10        | 1,110   |
| GUN           | 60        | 11,820  |
| Nuclear Trace | 210       | 144,470 |
| Leaves        | 150       | 51,830  |
| (4) Faces     | 50        | 45,080  |
| Control Chart | 110       | 21,900  |
| 2-Patterns    | 16,890    | 545,123 |

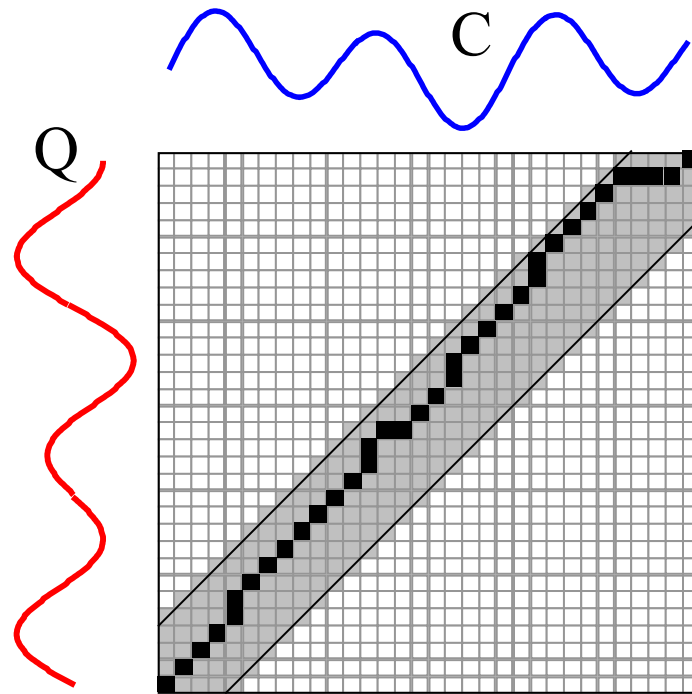
# Problems with Dynamic Time Warping

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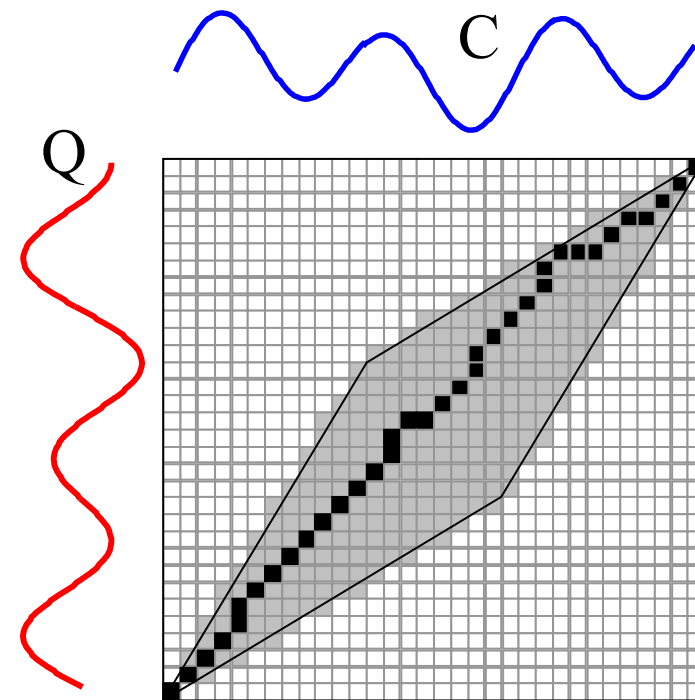
- Dynamic Time Warping gives much better results than Euclidean distance on many problems.
- Dynamic Time Warping is very very slow to calculate!
- Is there anything we can do to speed up similarity search under DTW?

# Global Constraints

- Slightly speed up the calculations
- Prevent pathological warpings



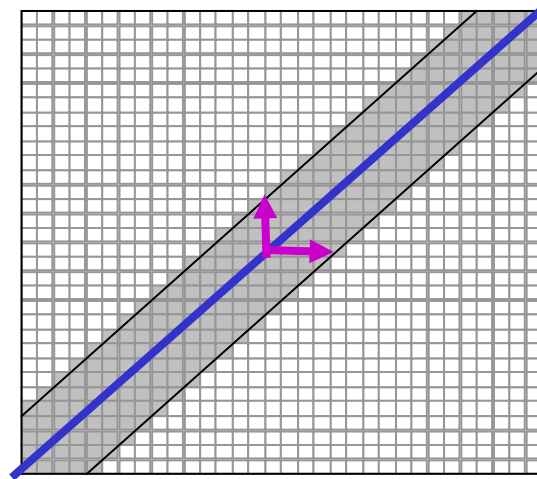
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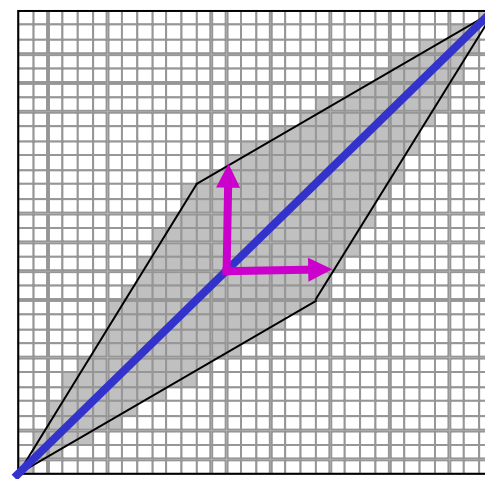
# Global Constraints

- A global constraint constrains the indices of the warping path  $w_k = (i, j)_k$  such that  $j-r \leq i \leq j+r$ , where  $r$  is a term defining allowed range of warping for a given point in a sequence.
- $r$  can be considered as a *window* that reduces the number of calculus.



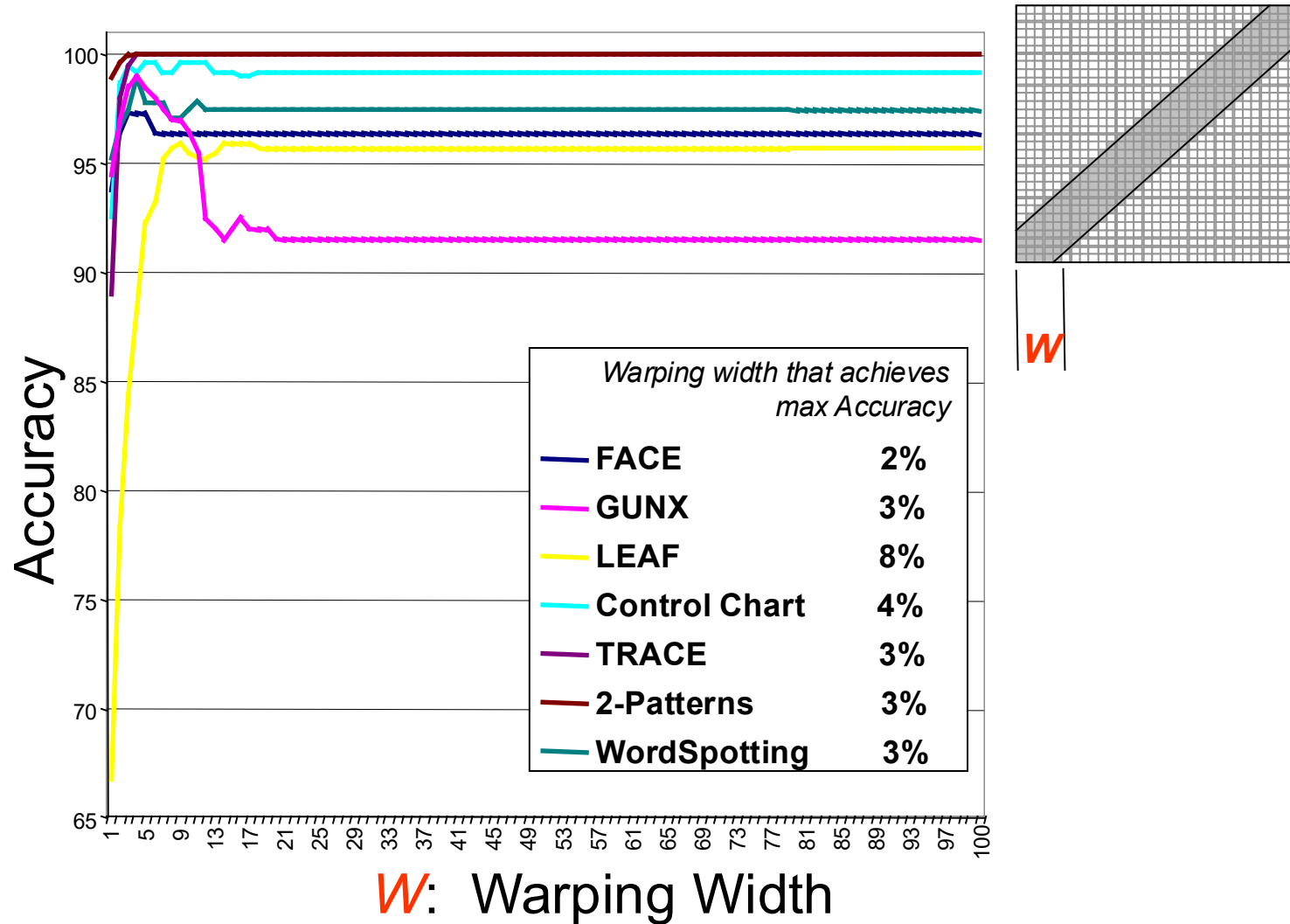
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$r_i$



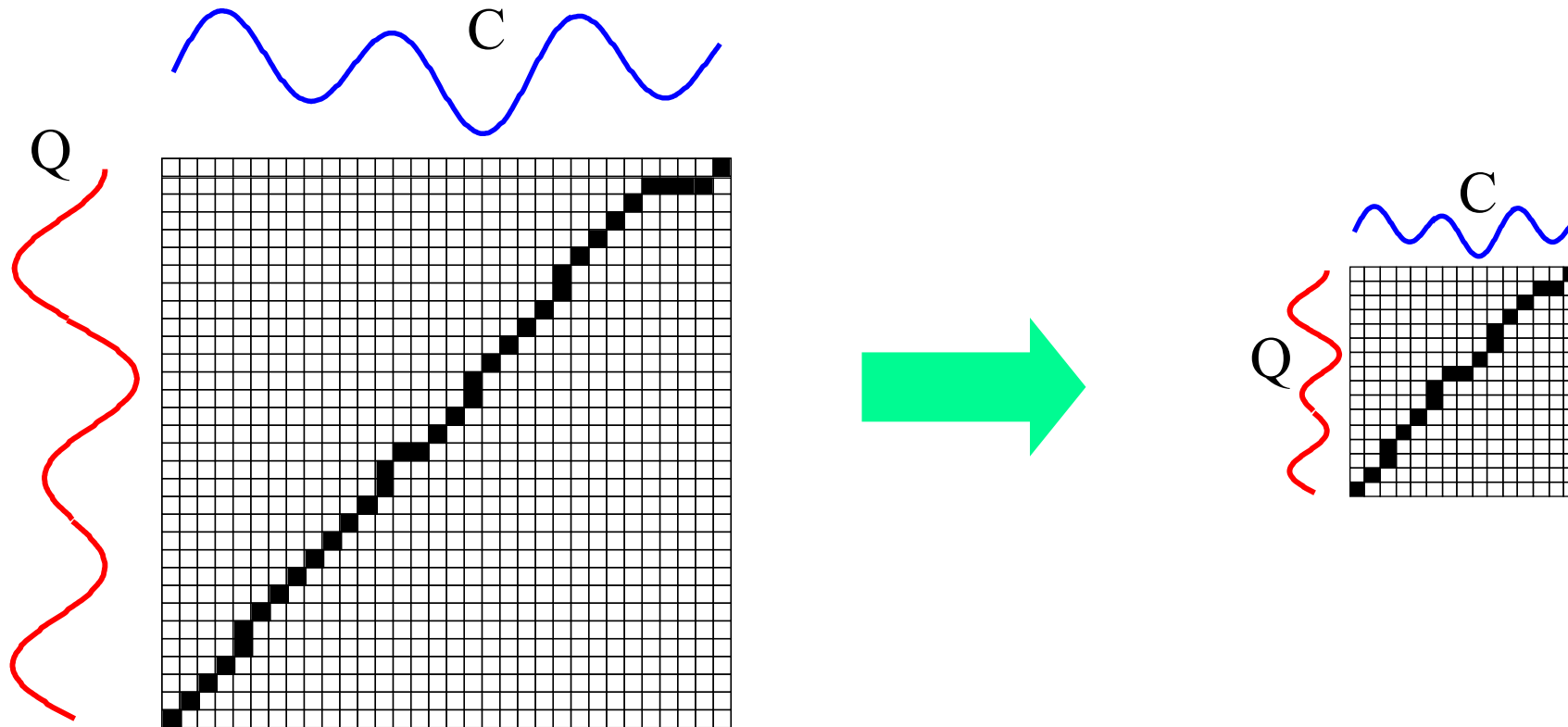
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# Accuracy vs. Width of Warping Window



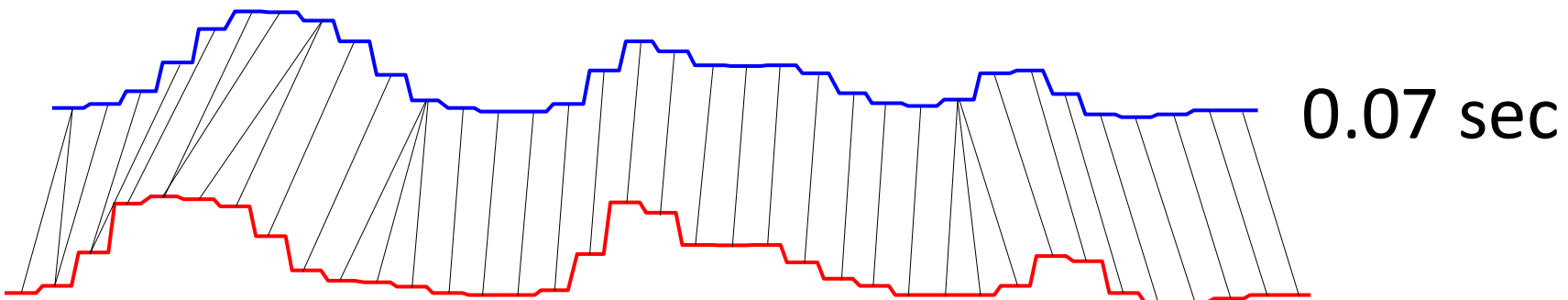
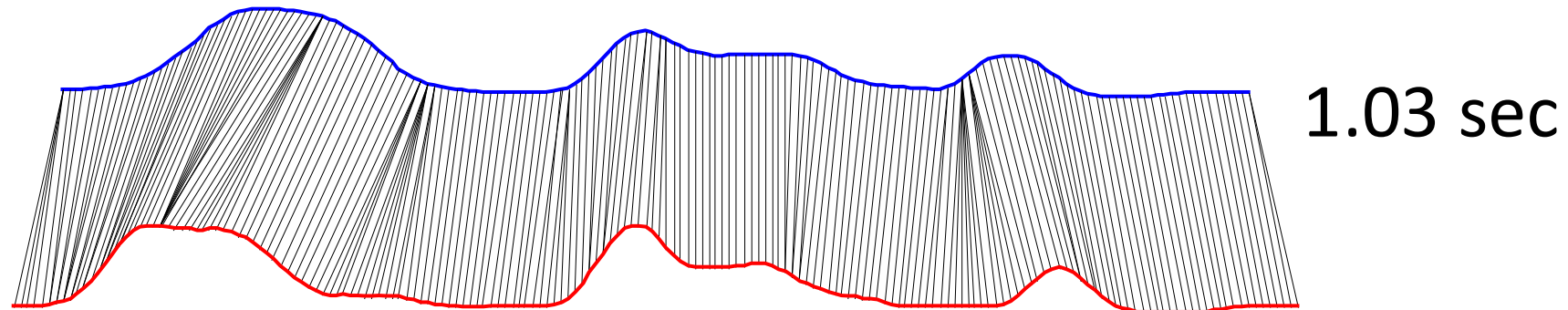
# Fast Approximations to DTW

- Approximate the time series with some compressed or downsampled representation and do DTW on the new representation.



# Fast Approximations to DTW

- There is strong visual evidence to suggest it works well
- In the literature there is good experimental evidence for the utility of the approach on clustering, classification, etc.



# Distances and Normalizations

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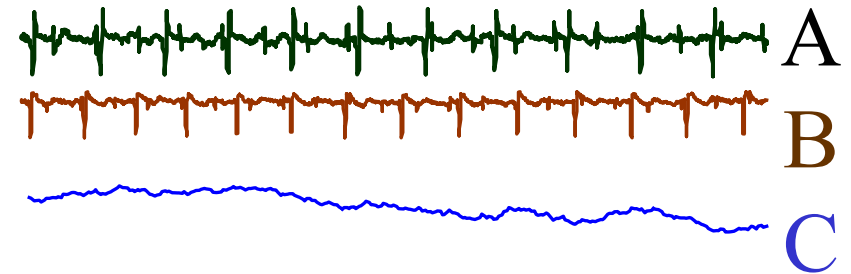
- If measuring a distance to account for a shape-based similarity it is important to consider the level then the level, i.e., the mean, should not be removed.
- This kind of reasoning applies also to other features of the TS.

# Global Structural Features

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# Structure-based Similarity

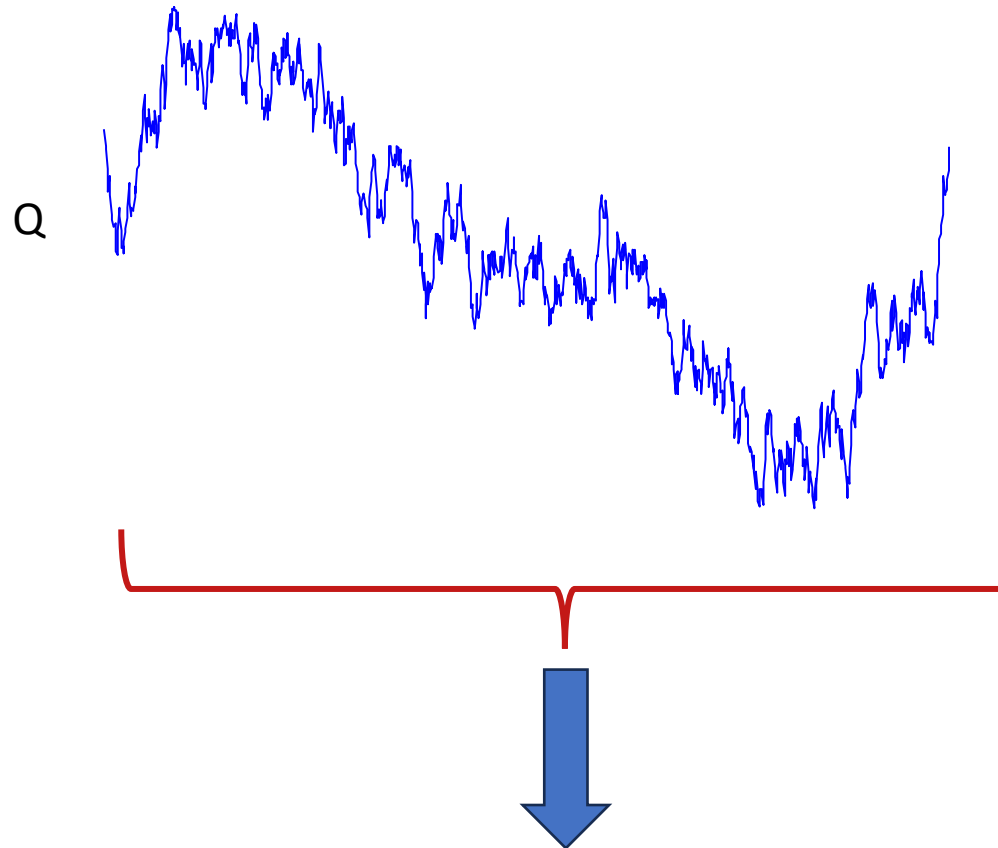
- For long time series, shape-based similarity typically give poor results.
- Structure-based similarity measure similarity of TS based on high level structure.
- The basic idea is to:
  1. extract *global* features from the time series,
  2. create a feature vector, and
  3. use it to measure similarity with Euclidean distance
- Example of features:
  - mean, variance, skewness, kurtosis,
  - 1<sup>st</sup> derivative mean, 1<sup>st</sup> derivative variance, ...
  - parameters of regression, forecasting, Markov model



| Feature\Time Series | A   | B   | C   |
|---------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| Max Value           | 11  | 12  | 19  |
| Mean                | 5.3 | 6.4 | 4.8 |
| Min Value           | 3   | 2   | 5   |
| Autocorrelation     | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.5 |
| ...                 | ... | ... | ... |

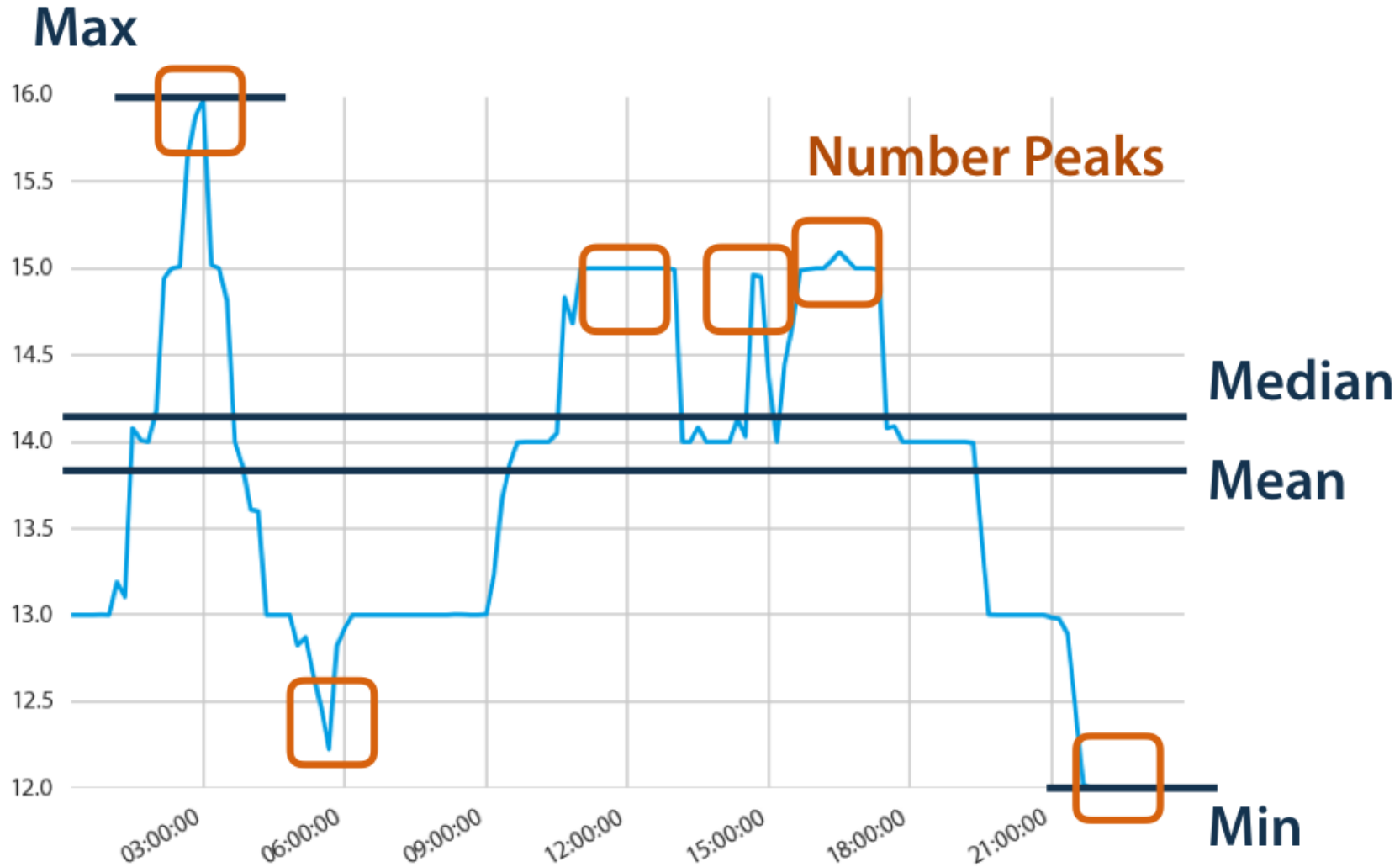
# Simple Standard Features

- Mean
- Standard Deviation
- Variance
- Median
- 10th Percentile
- 25th Percentile
- 75th Percentile
- 90th Percentile
- IQR
- Covariance
- Skewness
- Kurtosis
- Min
- Max



|   | mean | std | var | med | ... | max |
|---|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Q | 1.8  | 2.9 | 8.4 | 1.3 | ... |     |

# TSFresh Features



# TSFresh Features

- `abs_energy` - Returns the absolute energy of the time series which is the sum over the squared values
- `absolute_maximum` - Calculates the highest absolute value of the time series `x`.
- `absolute_sum_of_changes` - Returns the sum over the absolute value of consecutive changes in the series `x`
- `agg_autocorrelation` - Descriptive statistics on the autocorrelation of the time series.
- `agg_linear_trend` - Calculates a linear least-squares regression for values of the time series that were aggregated over chunks versus the sequence from 0 up to the number of chunks minus one.
- `approximate_entropy` - Implements a vectorized Approximate entropy algorithm.
- `ar_coefficient` - This feature calculator fits the unconditional maximum likelihood of an autoregressive AR(k) process.
- `augmented_dickey_fuller` - Does the time series have a unit root?
- `autocorrelation` - Calculates the autocorrelation of the specified lag
- `benford_correlation` - Useful for anomaly detection applications. Returns the correlation from first digit distribution when
- `binned_entropy` - First bins the values of `x` into `max_bins` equidistant bins.
- `c3` - Uses c3 statistics to measure non linearity in the time series
- `change_quantiles` - First fixes a corridor given by the quantiles `ql` and `qh` of the distribution of `x`.
- `cid_ce` - This function calculator is an estimate for a time series complexity.
- `count_above` - Returns the percentage of values in `x` that are higher than `t`
- `count_above_mean` - Returns the number of values in `x` that are higher than the mean of `x`
- `count_below` - Returns the percentage of values in `x` that are lower than `t`
- `count_below_mean` - Returns the number of values in `x` that are lower than the mean of `x`
- `cwt_coefficients` - Calculates a Continuous wavelet transform for the Ricker wavelet, also known as the "Mexican hat wavelet" which is defined by
- `energy_ratio_by_chunks` - Calculates the sum of squares of chunk `i` out of `N` chunks expressed as a ratio with the sum of squares over the whole series.
- `fft_aggregated` - Returns the spectral centroid (mean), variance, skew, and kurtosis of the absolute fourier transform spectrum.

# TSFresh Features

- `fft_coefficient` - Calculates the fourier coefficients of the one-dimensional discrete Fourier Transform for real input by fast fourier transformation algorithm
- `first_location_of_maximum` - Returns the first location of the maximum value of x.
- `first_location_of_minimum` - Returns the first location of the minimal value of x.
- `fourier_entropy` - Calculate the binned entropy of the power spectral density of the time series (using the welch method).
- `friedrich_coefficients` - Coefficients of polynomial, which has been fitted to the deterministic dynamics of Langevin model
- `has_duplicate` - Checks if any value in x occurs more than once
- `has_duplicate_max` - Checks if the maximum value of x is observed more than once
- `has_duplicate_min` - Checks if the minimal value of x is observed more than once
- `index_mass_quantile` - Calculates the relative index i of time series x where q% of the mass of x lies left of i.
- `kurtosis` - Returns the kurtosis of x.
- `large_standard_deviation` - Does time series have large standard deviation?
- `last_location_of_maximum` - Returns the relative last location of the maximum value of x.
- `last_location_of_minimum` - Returns the last location of the minimal value of x.
- `lempel_ziv_complexity` - Calculate a complexity estimate based on the Lempel-Ziv compression algorithm.
- `length` - Returns the length of x
- `linear_trend` - Calculate a linear least-squares regression for the values of the time series versus the sequence from 0 to length of the time series minus one.
- `linear_trend_timewise` - Calculate a linear least-squares regression for the values of the time series versus the sequence from 0 to length of the time series minus one.
- `longest_strike_above_mean` - Returns the length of the longest consecutive subsequence in x that is bigger than the mean of x
- `longest_strike_below_mean` - Returns the length of the longest consecutive subsequence in x that is smaller than the mean of x

# TSFresh Features

- fast\_fourier\_matrix\_profile - Calculates the 1-D Matrix Profile[1] and returns Tukey's Five Number Set plus the mean of that Matrix Profile.
- max\_langevin\_fixed\_point - Largest fixed point of dynamics  $\text{argmax}_x \{h=0\}$  estimated from polynomial, which has been fitted to the deterministic dynamics of Langevin model
- maximum - Calculates the highest value of the time series x.
- mean - Returns the mean of x
- mean\_abs\_change - Average over first differences.
- mean\_change - Average over time series differences.
- mean\_n\_absolute\_max - Calculates the arithmetic mean of the n absolute maximum values of the time series.
- mean\_second\_derivative\_central - Returns the mean value of a central approximation of the second derivative
- median - Returns the median of x
- minimum - Calculates the lowest value of the time series x.
- number\_crossing\_m - Calculates the number of crossings of x on m.
- number\_cwt\_peaks - Number of different peaks in x.
- number\_peaks - Calculates the number of peaks of at least support n in the time series x.
- partial\_autocorrelation - Calculates the value of the partial autocorrelation function at the given lag.
- percentage\_of\_reoccurring\_datapoints\_to\_all\_datapoints - Returns the percentage of non-unique data points.
- percentage\_of\_reoccurring\_values\_to\_all\_values - Returns the percentage of values that are present in the time series more than once.
- permutation\_entropy - Calculate the permutation entropy.
- quantile - Calculates the q quantile of x.
- query\_similarity\_count - This feature calculator accepts an input query subsequence parameter, compares the query (under z-normalized Euclidean distance) to all subsequences within the time series, and returns a count of the number of times the query was found in the time series (within some predefined maximum distance threshold).

# TSFresh Features

- `range_count` - Count observed values within the interval [min, max).
- `ratio_beyond_r_sigma` - Ratio of values that are more than  $r \cdot \text{std}$  ( $50 r$  times  $\sigma$ ) away from the mean of  $x$ .
- `ratio_value_number_to_time_series_length` - Returns a factor which is 1 if all values in the time series occur only once, and below one if this is not the case.
- `root_mean_square` - Returns the root mean square (rms) of the time series.
- `sample_entropy` - Calculate and return sample entropy of  $x$ .
- `set_property` - This method returns a decorator that sets the property key of the function to value
- `skewness` - Returns the sample skewness of  $x$  (calculated with the adjusted Fisher-Pearson standardized moment coefficient G1).
- `spkt_welch_density` - This feature calculator estimates the cross power spectral density of the time series  $x$  at different frequencies.
- `standard_deviation` - Returns the standard deviation of  $x$
- `sum_of_reoccurring_data_points` - Returns the sum of all data points, that are present in the time series more than once.
- `sum_of_reoccurring_values` - Returns the sum of all values, that are present in the time series more than once.
- `sum_values` - Calculates the sum over the time series values
- `symmetry_looking` - Boolean variable denoting if the distribution of  $x$  looks symmetric.
- `time_reversal_asymmetry_statistic` - Returns the time reversal asymmetry statistic.
- `value_count` - Count occurrences of value in time series  $x$ .
- `variance` - Returns the variance of  $x$
- `variance_larger_than_standard_deviation` - Is variance higher than the standard deviation?
- `variation_coefficient` - Returns the variation coefficient (standard error / mean, give relative value of variation around mean) of  $x$

# catch22: CAnonical Time-series CHaracteristics

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- The catch22 feature set spans a diverse range of time-series characteristics representative of the diversity of interdisciplinary methods for TSA.
- Features in catch22 capture TS properties of the distribution of values in the TS, linear and nonlinear temporal autocorrelation properties, scaling of fluctuations, and others.
- Selected by applying the procedure describe in [Lubba 2019] to a set of 93 datasets containing over 147k TS and using a filtered version of the HCTSA feature library (4791 features).
- The reduction from 4791 to 22 features is associated with a 1000-fold reduction in computation time and near linear scaling with TS length, despite an average reduction in classification accuracy of just 7%.

### Distribution

DN\_HistogramMode\_5

Mode of  $z$ -scored distribution (5-bin histogram)

DN\_HistogramMode\_10

Mode of  $z$ -scored distribution (10-bin histogram)

### Simple temporal statistics

SB\_BinaryStats\_mean\_longstretch1

Longest period of consecutive values above the mean

DN\_OutlierInclude\_p\_001\_mdrmd

Time intervals between successive extreme events above the mean

DN\_OutlierInclude\_n\_001\_mdrmd

Time intervals between successive extreme events below the mean

### Linear autocorrelation

CO\_f1ecac

First  $1/e$  crossing of autocorrelation function

CO\_FirstMin\_ac

First minimum of autocorrelation function

SP\_Summaries\_welch\_rect\_area\_5\_1

Total power in lowest fifth of frequencies in the Fourier power spectrum

SP\_Summaries\_welch\_rect\_centroid

Centroid of the Fourier power spectrum

FC\_LocalSimple\_mean3\_stderr

Mean error from a rolling 3-sample mean forecasting

### Nonlinear autocorrelation

CO\_trev\_1\_num

Time-reversibility statistic,  $\langle (x_{t+1} - x_t)^3 \rangle_t$

CO\_HistogramAMI\_even\_2\_5

Automutual information,  $m = 2, \tau = 5$

IN\_AutoMutualInfoStats\_40\_gaussian\_fmfi

First minimum of the automutual information function

### Successive differences

MD\_hrv\_classic\_pnn40

Proportion of successive differences exceeding  $0.04\sigma$  [20]

SB\_BinaryStats\_diff\_longstretch0

Longest period of successive incremental decreases

SB\_MotifThree\_quantile\_hh

Shannon entropy of two successive letters in equiprobable 3-letter symbolization

FC\_LocalSimple\_mean1\_ttauresrat

Change in correlation length after iterative differencing

CO\_Embed2\_Dist\_tau\_d\_expfit\_meandiff

Exponential fit to successive distances in 2-d embedding space

### Fluctuation Analysis

SC\_FluctAnal\_2\_dfa\_50\_1\_2\_logi\_prop\_r1

Proportion of slower timescale fluctuations that scale with DFA (50% sampling)

SC\_FluctAnal\_2\_rsrangefit\_50\_1\_logi\_prop\_r1

Proportion of slower timescale fluctuations that scale with linearly rescaled range fits

### Others

SB\_TransitionMatrix\_3ac\_sumdiagcov

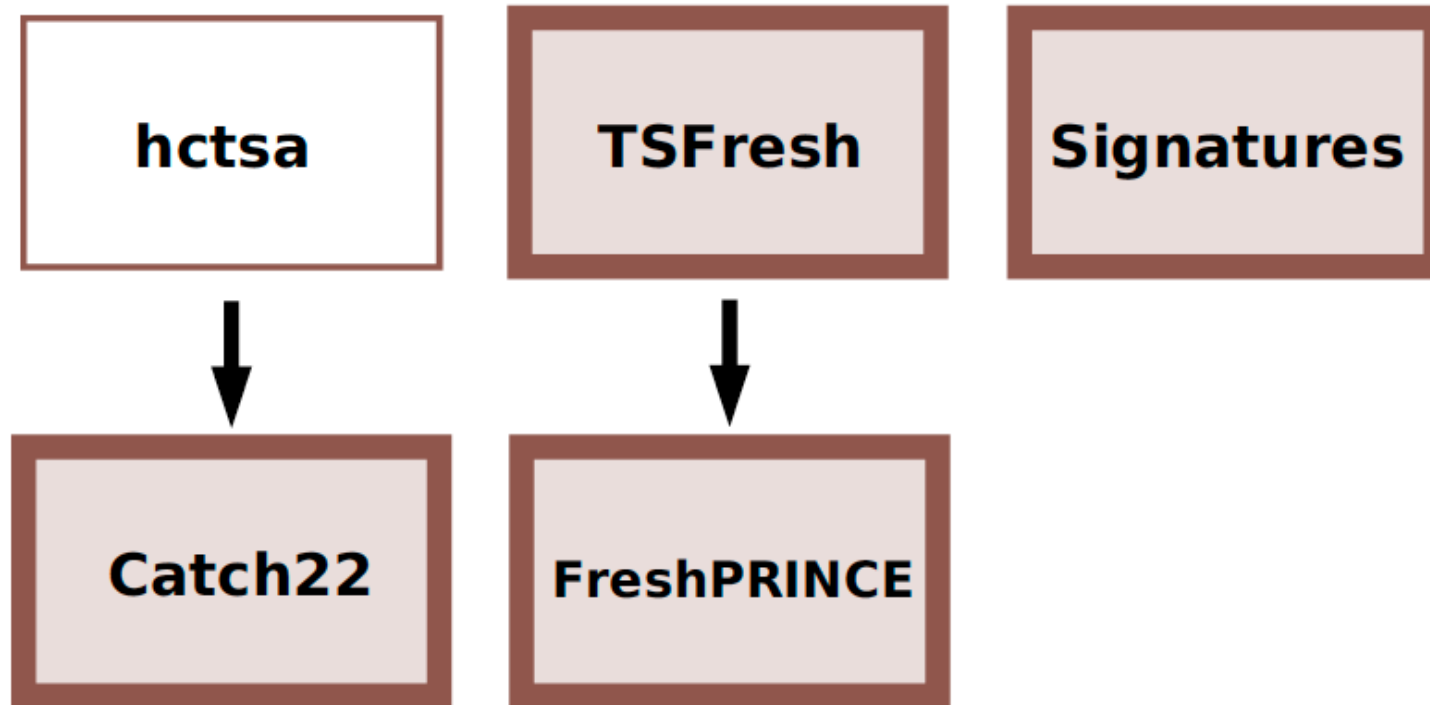
Trace of covariance of transition matrix between symbols in 3-letter alphabet

PD\_PeriodicityWang\_th0\_01

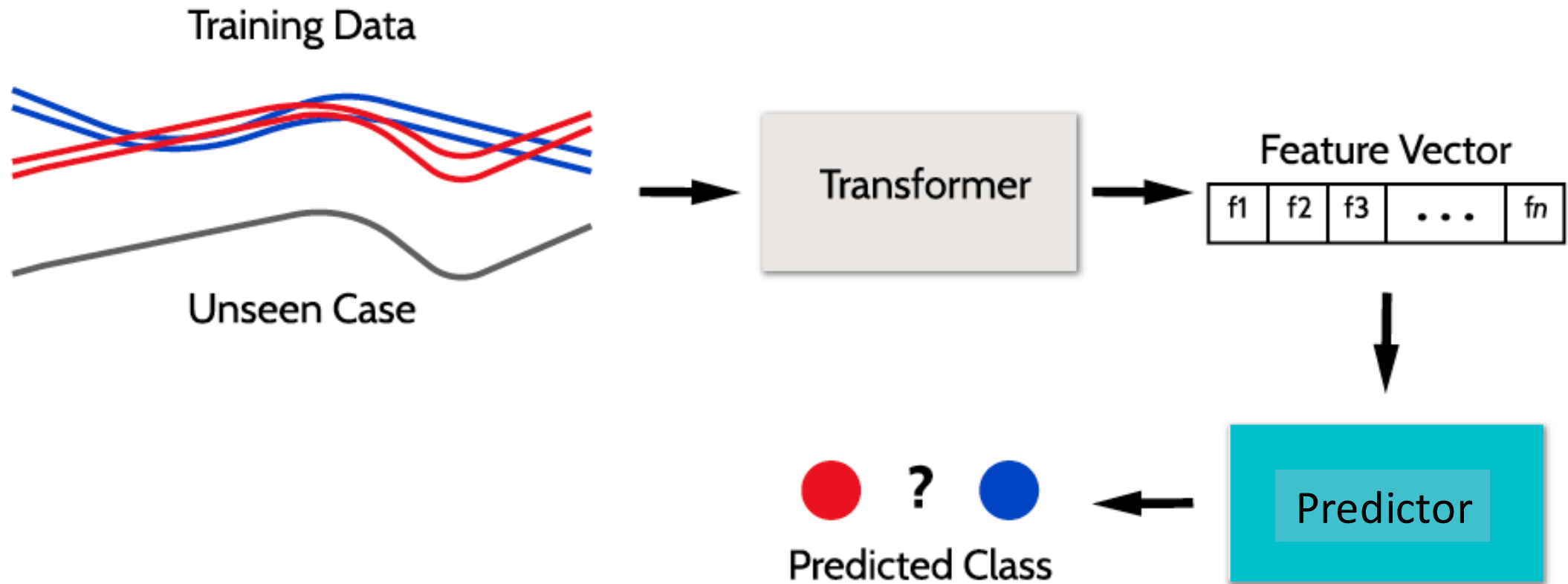
Periodicity measure of [31]

# Overview of Global Features and Relationships

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# Global Feature-based Predictor



# Features, Approximations, Distances and Normalizations

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- Normalizations can be applied before global features extraction depending on the objective of your TSA task.
- Time-Dependent approximations can be applied before global features extraction depending on the objective of your TSA task.
- It does not make any sense to use Time-Independent approximation after that global features have been extracted.
- It does not make any sense to use a distance function accounting for time like DTW after that global features have been extracted.

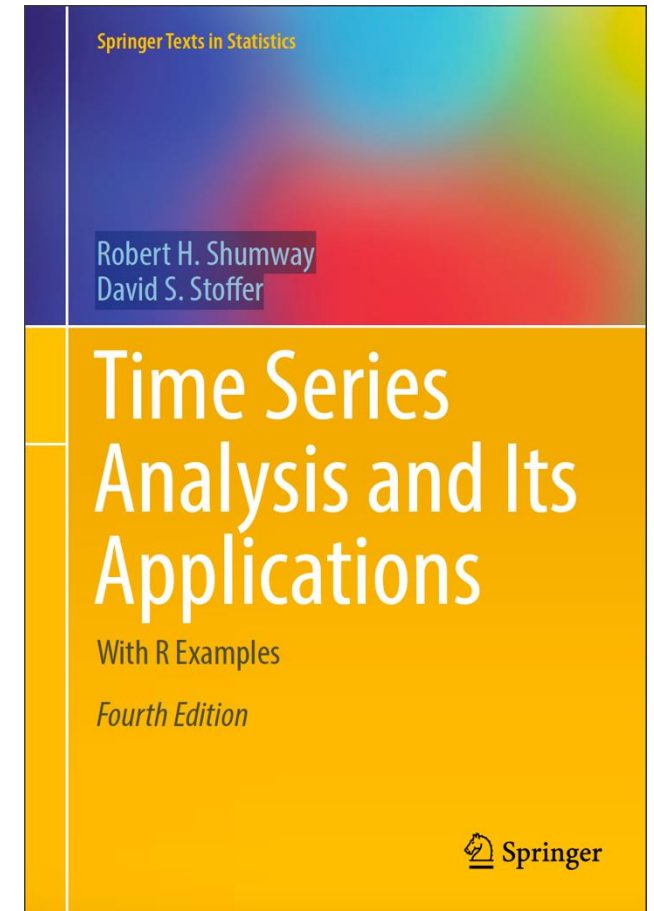
# Summary of Time Series Similarity

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- If you have short time series
  - use DTW after searching over the warping window size
  - try also to approximate to speed up the calculus
- If you have long time series
  - if you do know something about your data => extract features
  - (and you know nothing about your data => try compression/approximation-based dissimilarity)

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# Exercises DTW

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# DTW – Exercise 1

- Given the following input time series:

|           |                   |
|-----------|-------------------|
| <b>t1</b> | < 4, 3, 6, 1, 0 > |
| <b>t2</b> | < 3, 6, 7, 0, 1 > |

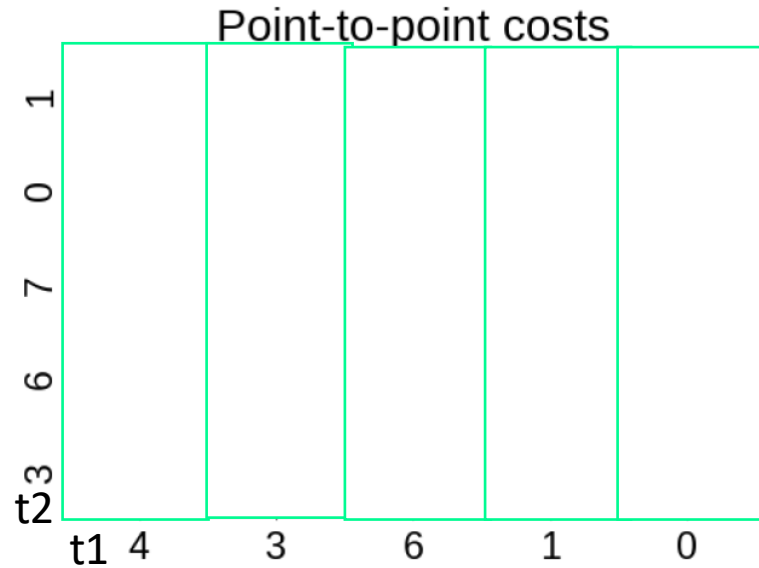
- A) Compute the distance between “t1” and “t2”, using the DTW with distance between points computed as  $d(x,y) = |x - y|$ .
- B) If we repeat the computation of point (A) above, this time with a Sakoe-Chiba band of size  $r=1$ , does the result change? Why?
- C) If we compute  $DTW(T1,T2)$ , where  $T1$  is equal to  $t1$  in reverse order (namely  $T1=<0,1,6,3,4>$ ) and similarly for  $T2$  (namely  $T2=<1,0,7,6,3>$ ), is it true that  $DTW(T1,T2) = DTW(t1,t2)$ ? Discuss the problem without providing any computation.

# DTW – Exercise 1 - Solution

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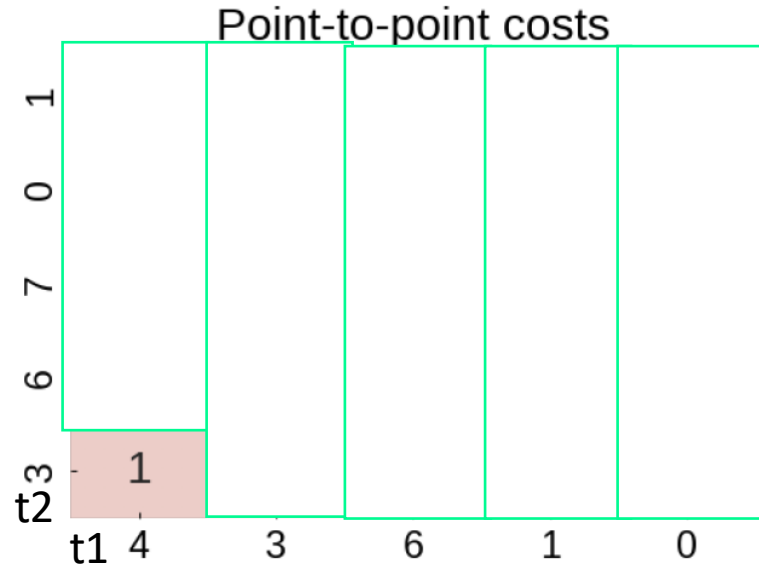
Result: 4

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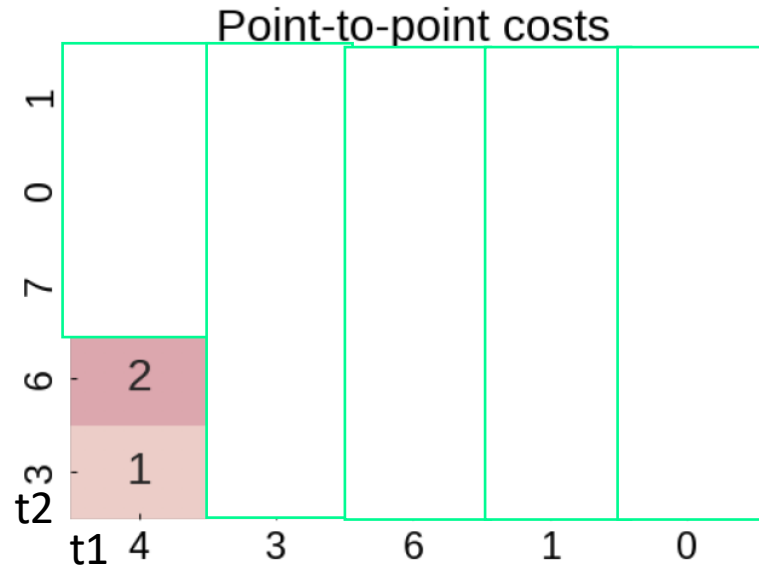
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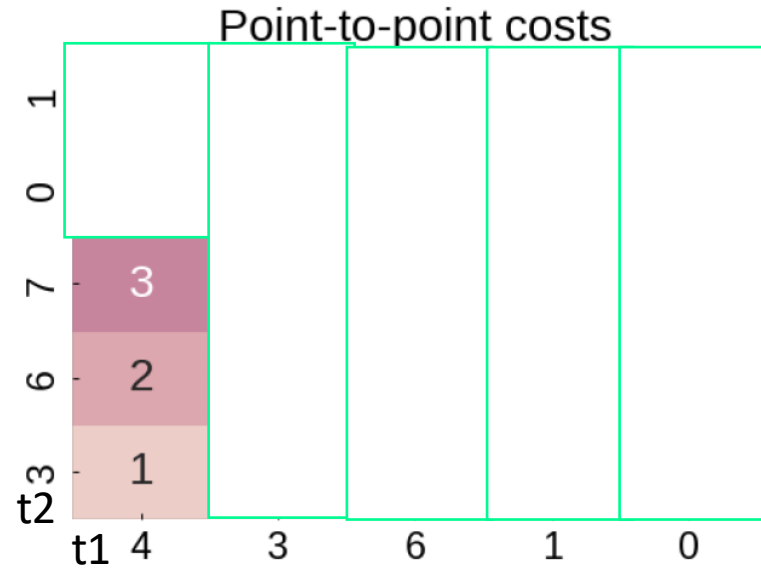
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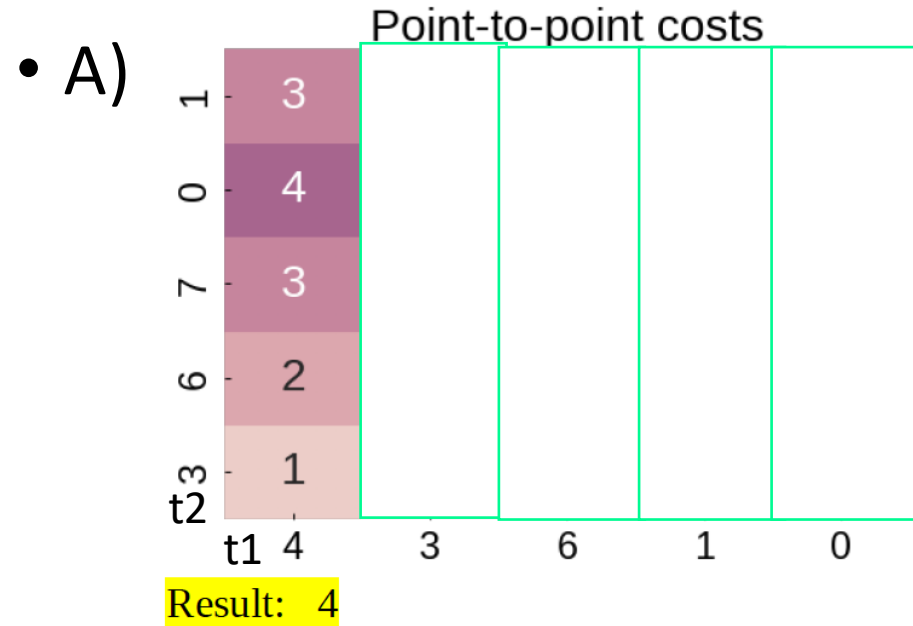


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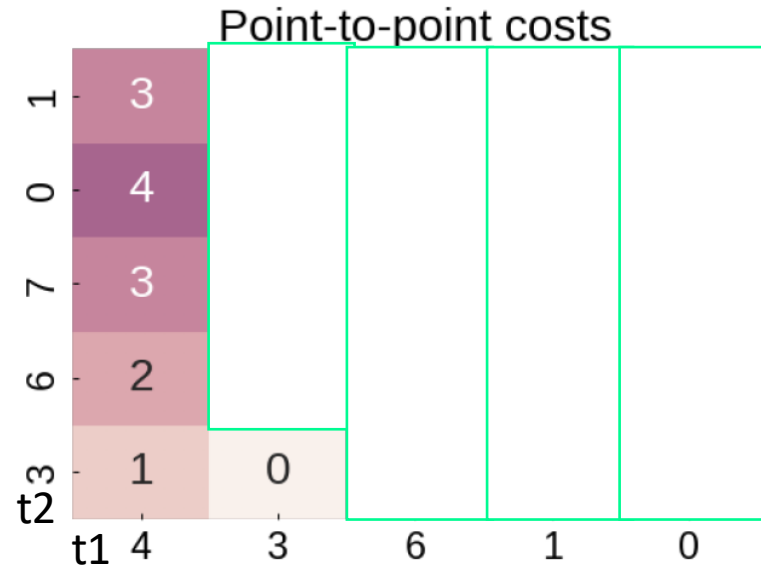


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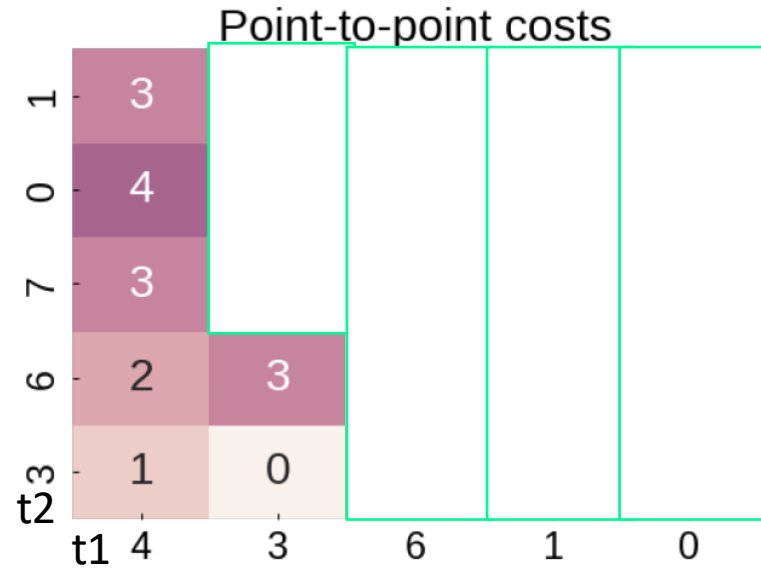
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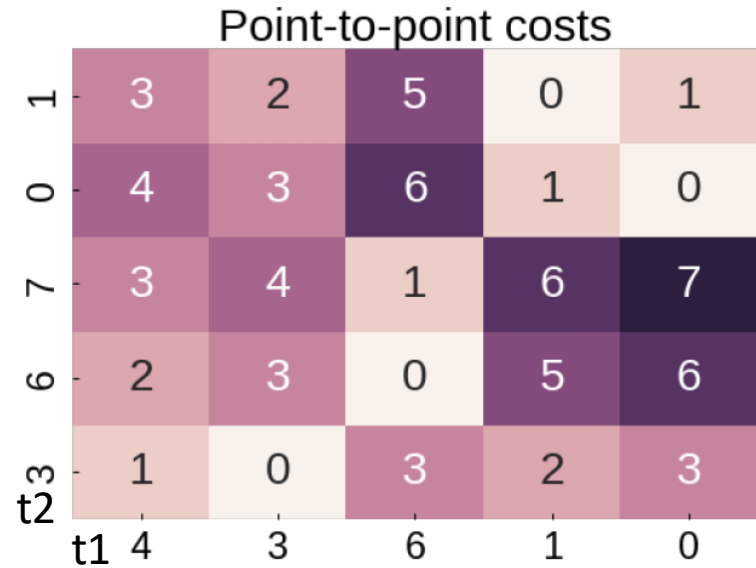
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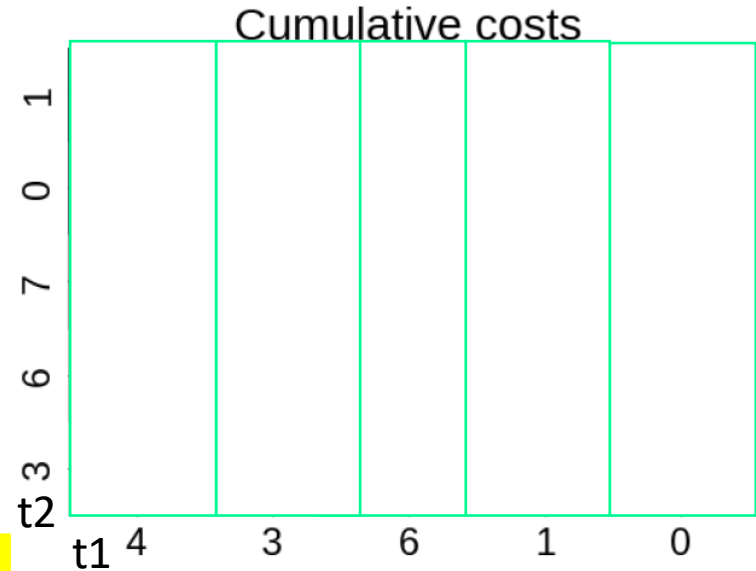
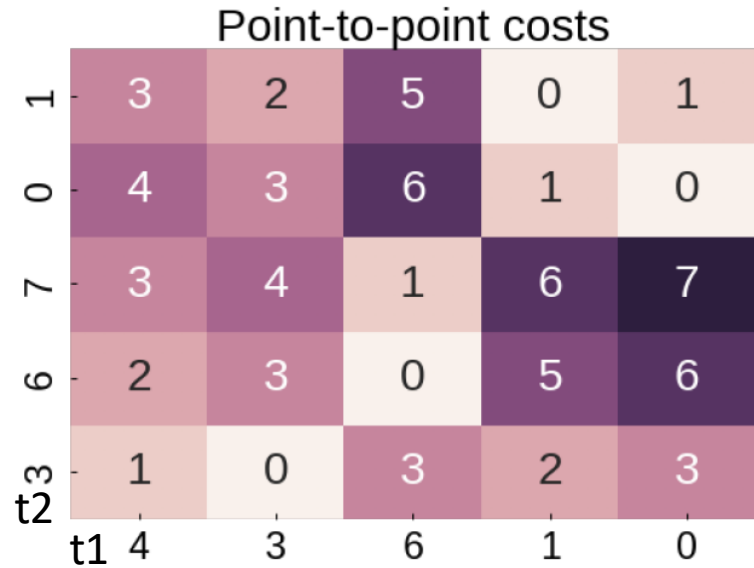
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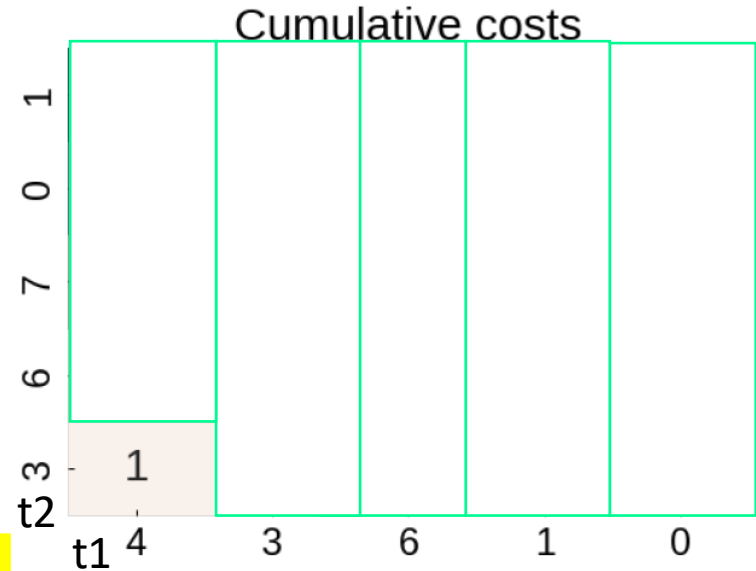
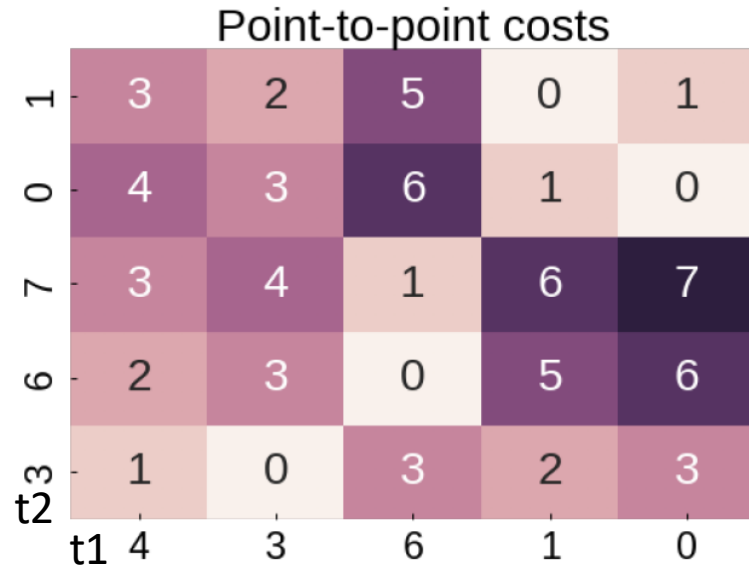
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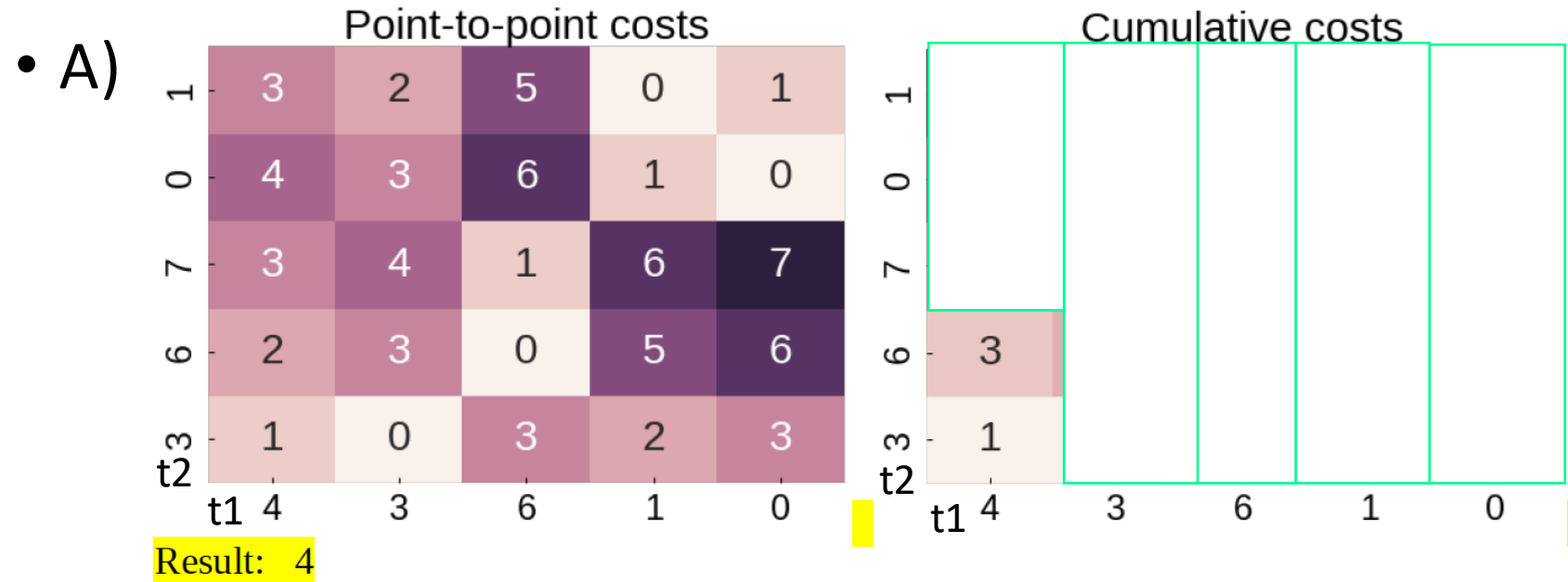
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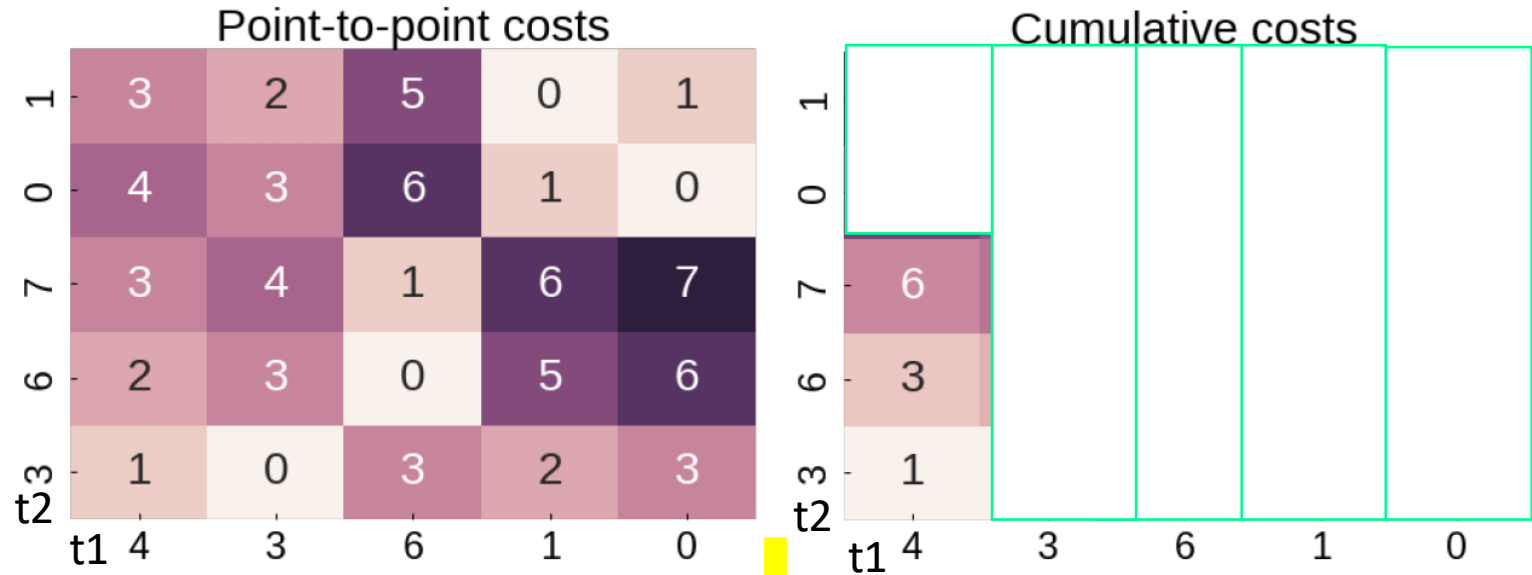
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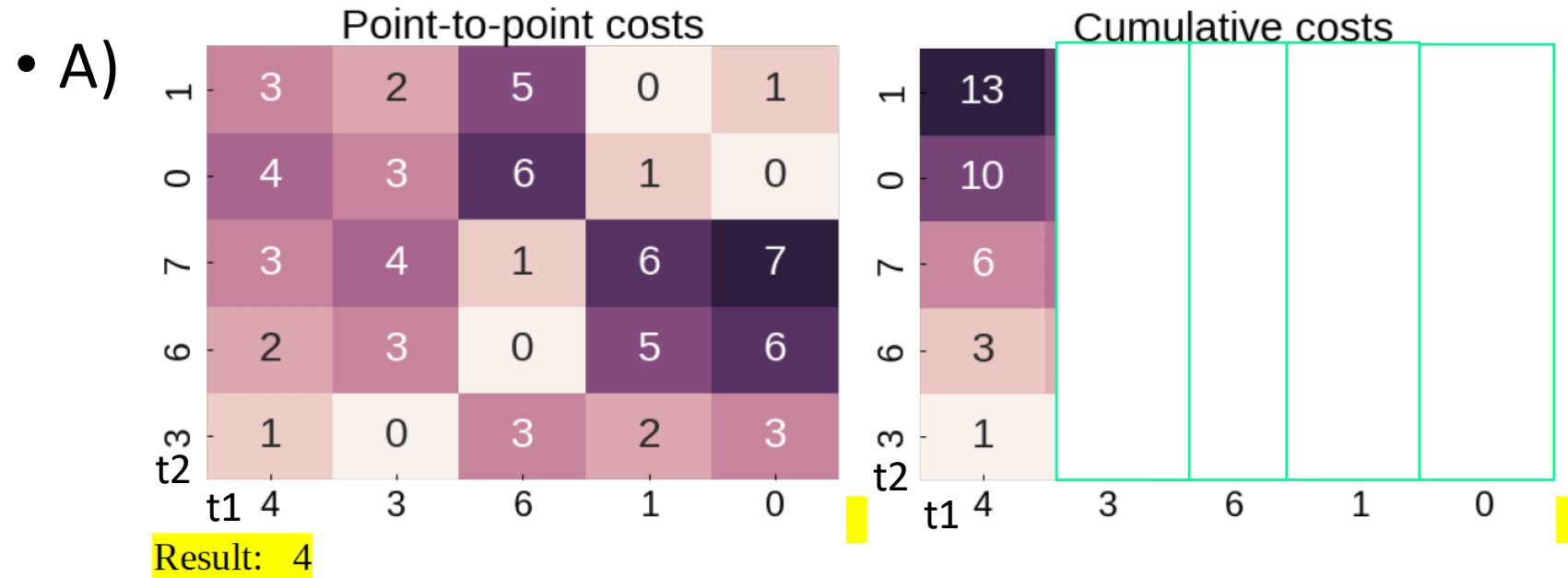


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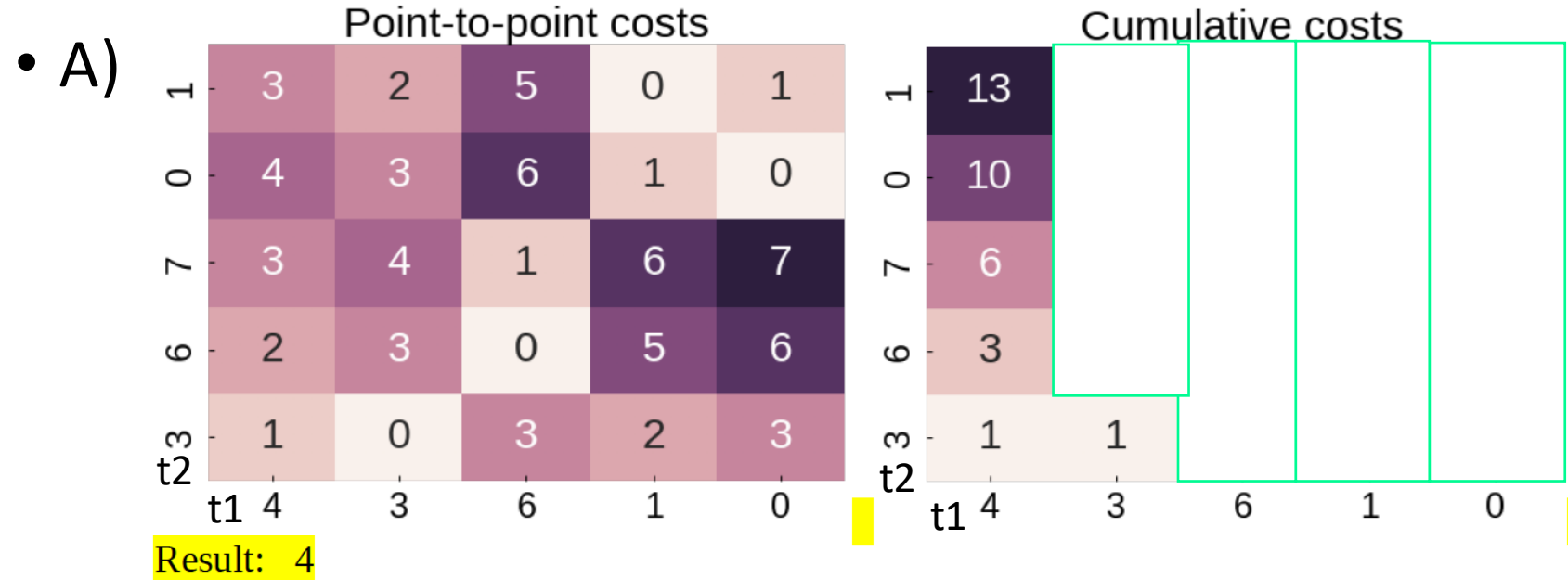
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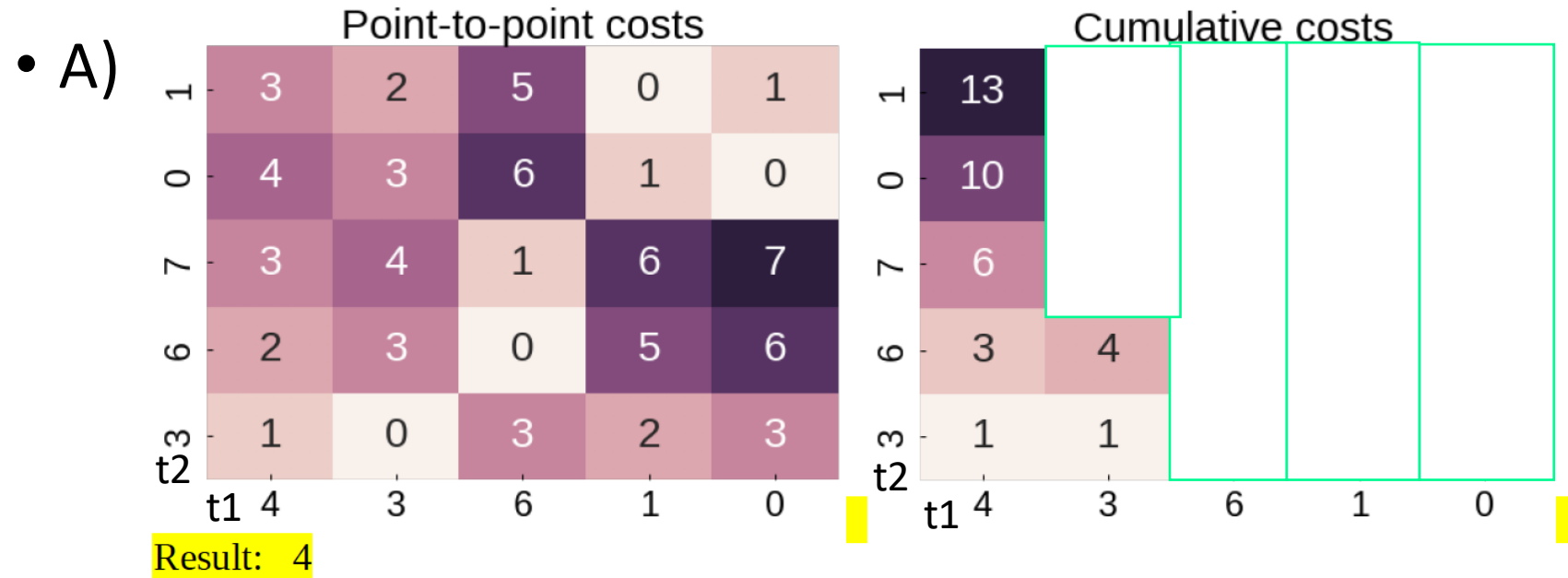
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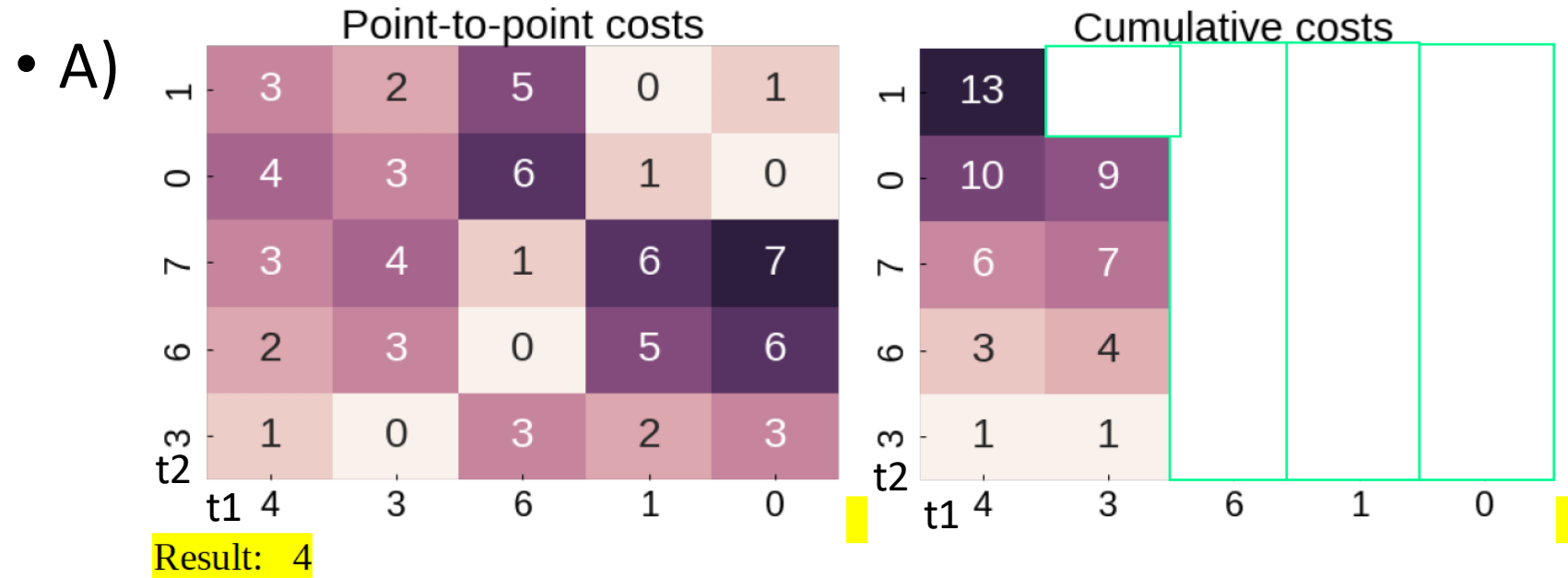


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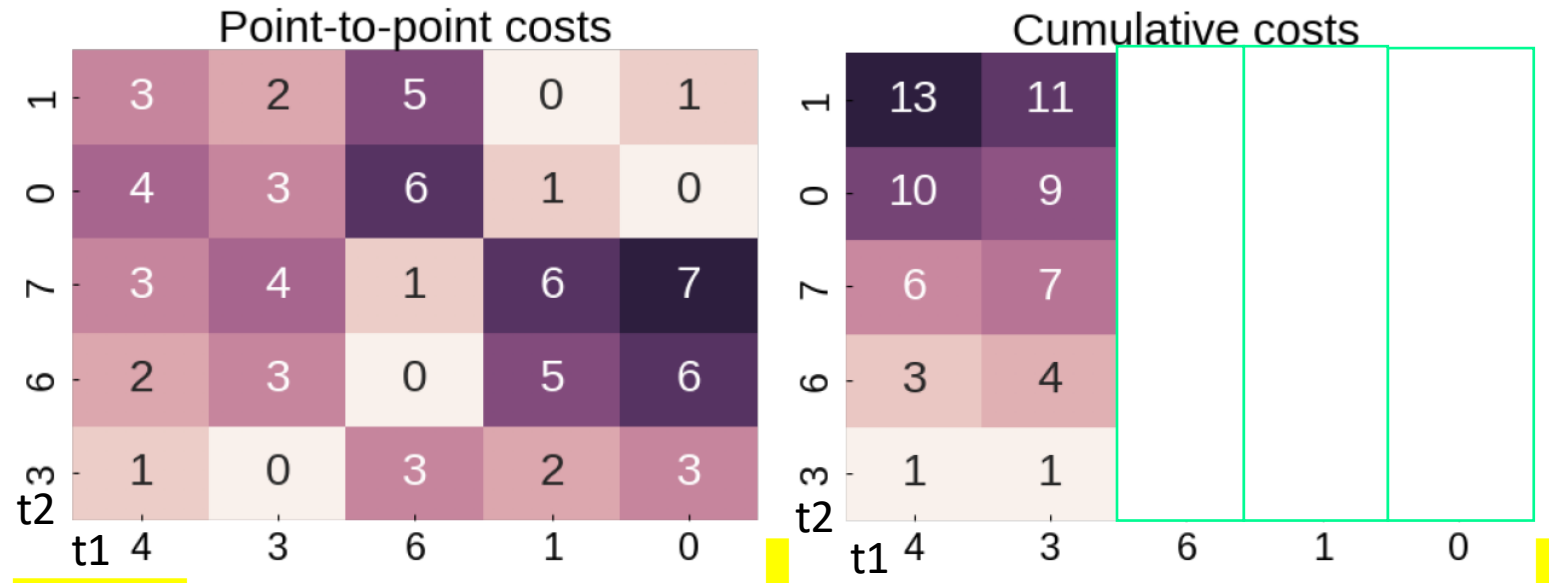


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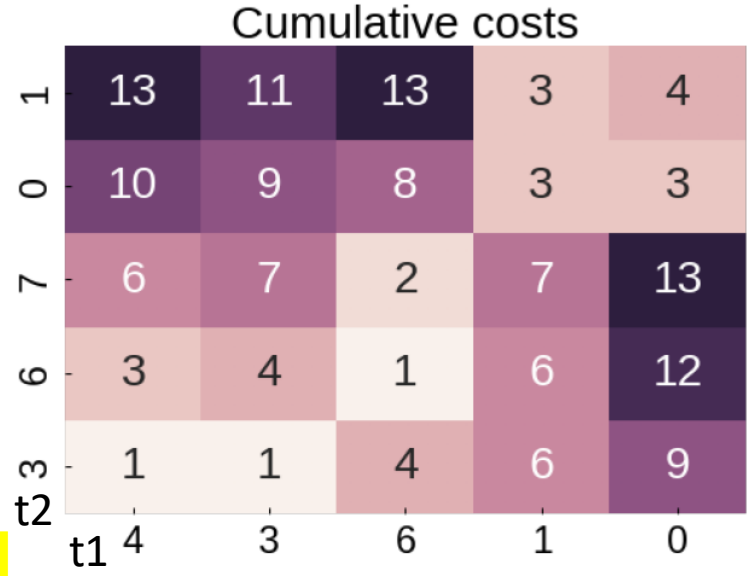
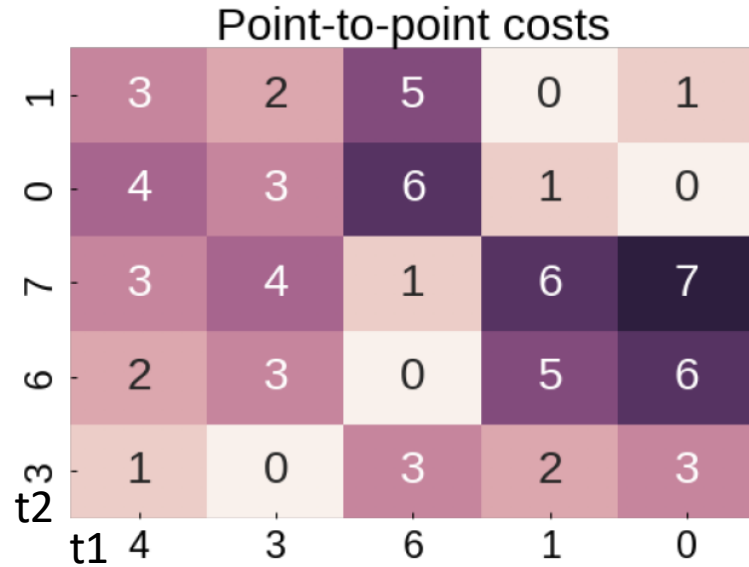
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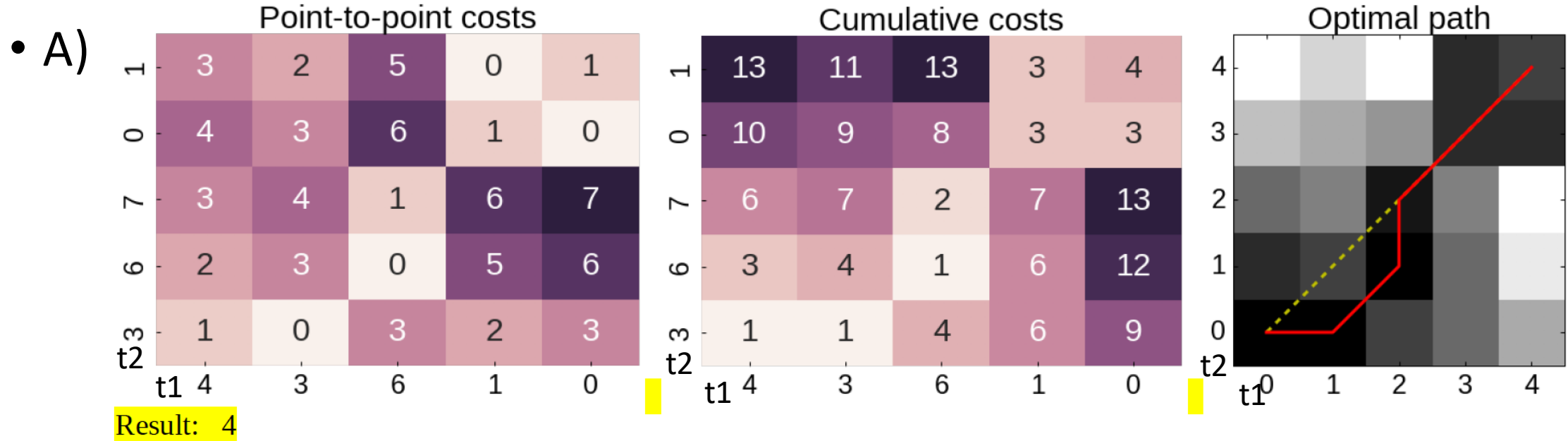


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- B) No. Because the DTW optimal path remains inside the band of size  $r=1$
- C) Yes. The optimal path in one direction is the same in the opposite direction. Though, the cumulative costs matrix might look different.

# DTW – Exercise 2

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- Given the following time series:

|   |   |                      |
|---|---|----------------------|
| t | = | < 2, 6, 9, 1, 6, 2 > |
| q | = | < 5, 1, 5, 5, 8, 4 > |

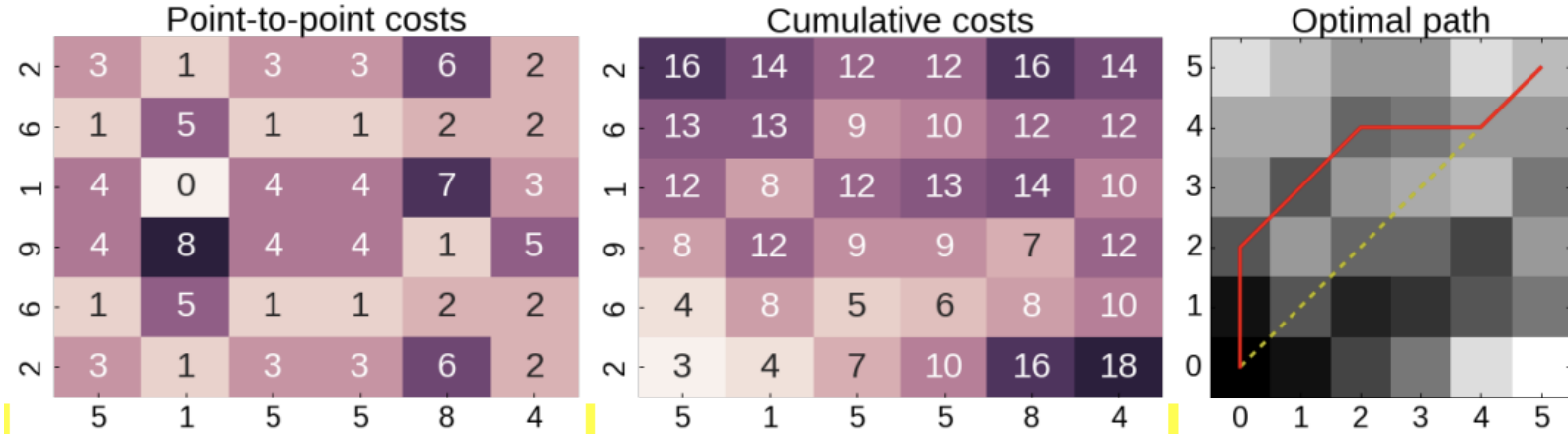
compute

- (i) their Manhattan and Euclidean distance,
- (ii) their DTW, and (iii) their DTW with Sakoe-Chiba band of size  $r=1$  (i.e. all cells at distance  $\leq 1$  from the diagonal are allowed).
- For points (ii) and (iii) show the cost matrix and the optimal path found.

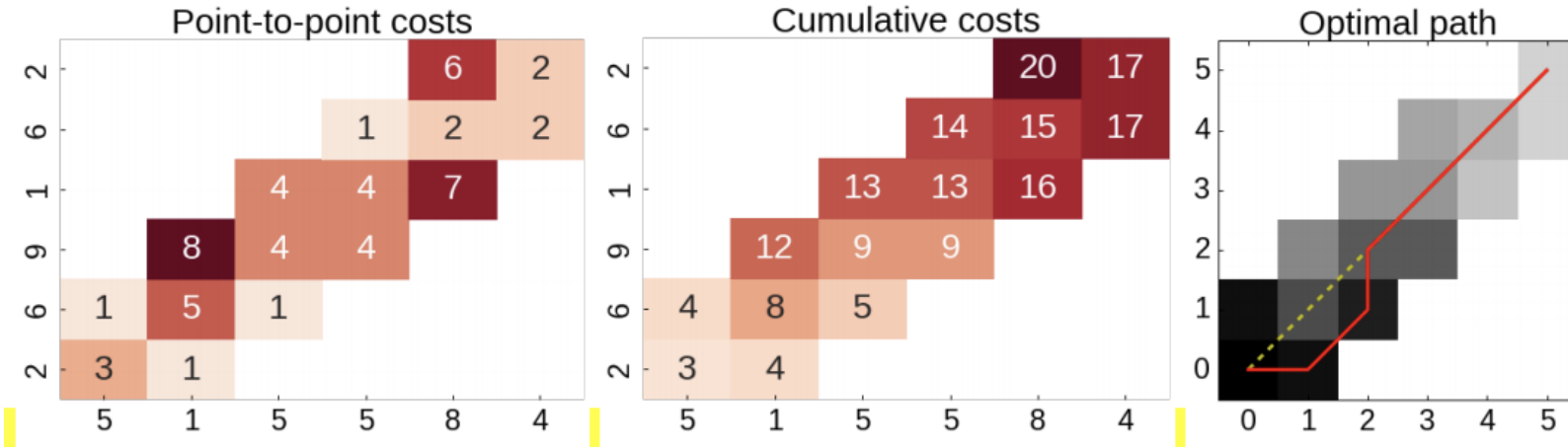
# DTW – Exercise 2 - Solution

- Euclidean =  $\sqrt{74} = 8.6$ , Manhattan = 20

- DTW = 14



- DTW  $r=1 = 17$



# DTW – Exercise 3

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- Given the following time series:

| ID | Time series              |
|----|--------------------------|
| W  | < 6, 11, 13, 15 >        |
| X  | < 10, 7, 7, 12, 14, 17 > |
| Y  | < 9, 11, 14, 13, 20 >    |

- Compute the distances among all pairs of time series adopting a Dynamic Time Warping distance, and computing the distances between single points as  $d(x,y) = |x - y|$ . For each pair of time series compared also show the matrix used to compute the final result.

# DTW – Exercise 3 - Solution

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W – X

|      | [,1]   | [,2]   | [,3]   | [,4]   | [,5]   | [,6]    |
|------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| [1,] | (4) 4  | (1) 5  | (1) 6  | (6) 12 | (8) 20 | (11) 31 |
| [2,] | (1) 5  | (4) 8  | (4) 9  | (1) 7  | (3) 10 | (6) 16  |
| [3,] | (3) 8  | (5) 11 | (5) 14 | (1) 8  | (1) 8  | (4) 12  |
| [4,] | (5) 13 | (8) 16 | (8) 19 | (3) 11 | (4) 9  | (2) 10  |

W – Y

|      | [,1]   | [,2]  | [,3]   | [,4]   | [,5]    |
|------|--------|-------|--------|--------|---------|
| [1,] | (3) 3  | (5) 8 | (8) 16 | (7) 23 | (14) 37 |
| [2,] | (2) 5  | (0) 3 | (3) 6  | (2) 8  | (9) 17  |
| [3,] | (5) 9  | (2) 5 | (1) 4  | (0) 4  | (7) 11  |
| [4,] | (6) 15 | (4) 9 | (1) 5  | (2) 6  | (5) 9   |

X – Y

|      | [,1]   | [,2]   | [,3]   | [,4]   | [,5]    |
|------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| [1,] | (1) 1  | (1) 2  | (4) 6  | (3) 9  | (10) 19 |
| [2,] | (2) 3  | (4) 5  | (7) 9  | (6) 12 | (13) 22 |
| [3,] | (2) 5  | (4) 7  | (7) 12 | (6) 15 | (13) 25 |
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| [6,] | (8) 21 | (6) 15 | (3) 9  | (4) 10 | (3) 10  |