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A segmentation-Lasso approach for the homogenization of GPS series

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The GPS series are generally affected by two different types of biases: abrupt changes du to instrument changes or re-location and functional biases (periodic signals) due to environmental effects (changes in atmospheric pressure and hydrology). The detection and correction of such biases, called homogenization, is a fundamental step in all dataset pre-processing in geosciences study.

The segmentation methods are now well known to detect abrupt-changes in the distribution of the observations along time. We propose here a segmentation model in which a functional part is included. To estimate these two parts of the model, we propose an iterative procedure combining a Dynamic Programming algorithm (which is the well-established efficient strategy to locate the abrupt-changes) and a Lasso-type procedure to estimate the functional part. An application to real data is done.