

Clustering comparison of point processes with applications to percolation

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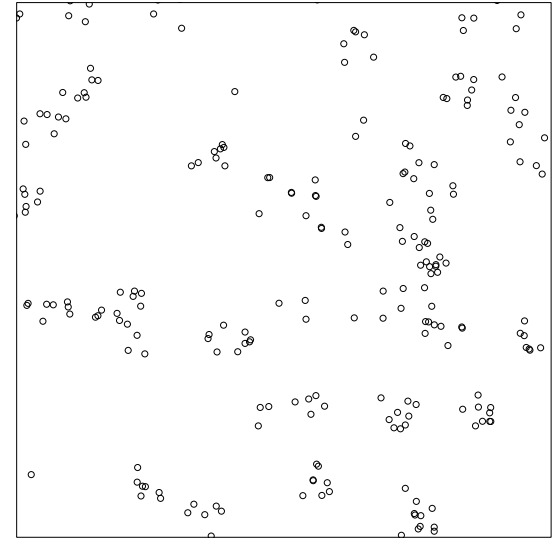
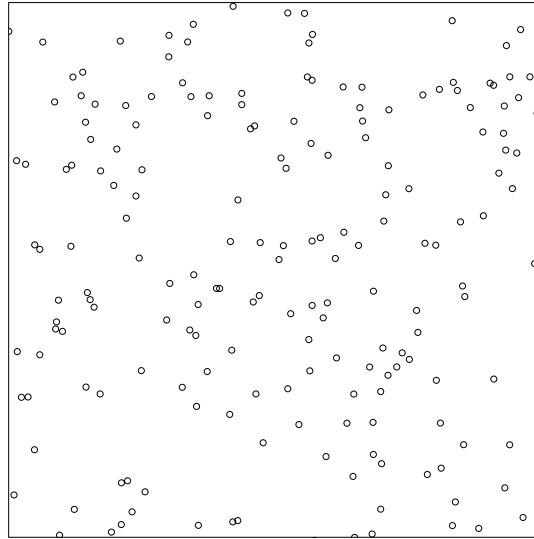
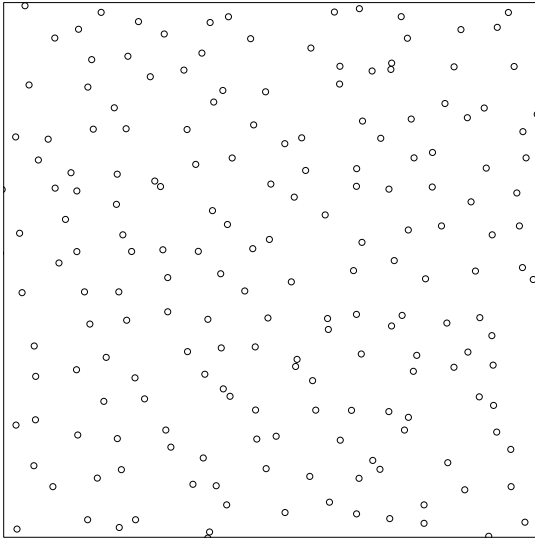
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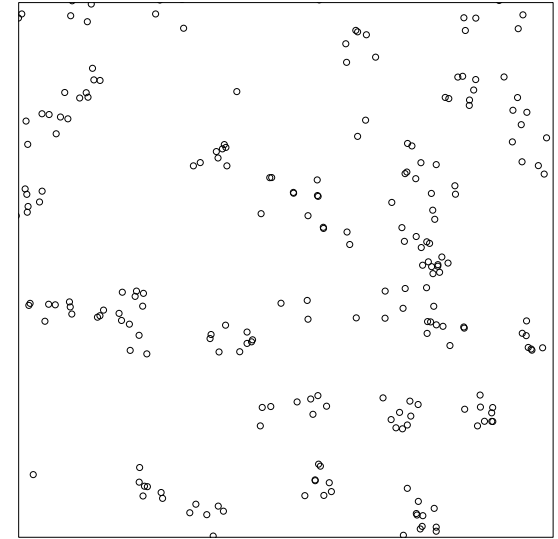
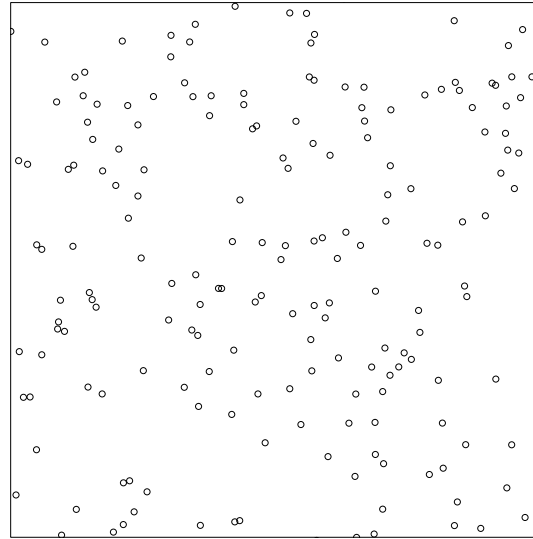
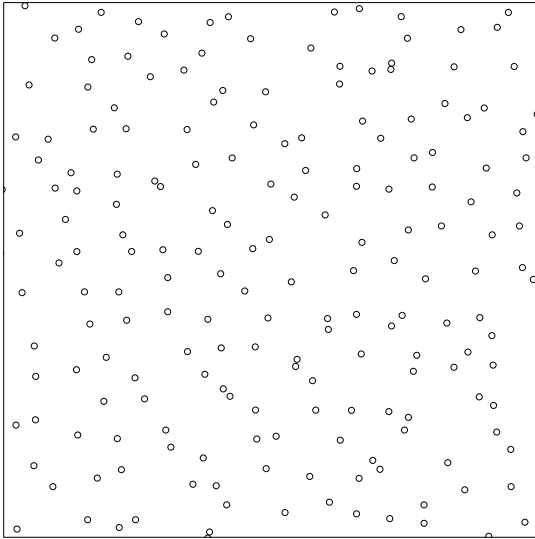
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- The “clustering-comparison” is not the usual strong (coupling) comparison as we compare pp of the same mean measure. Analog of convex comparison of random variables.

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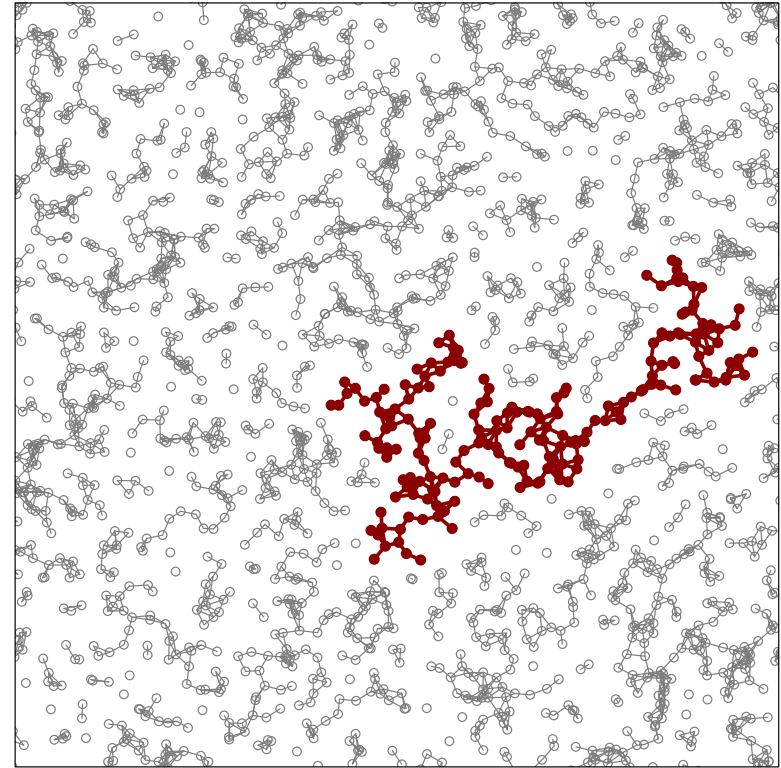
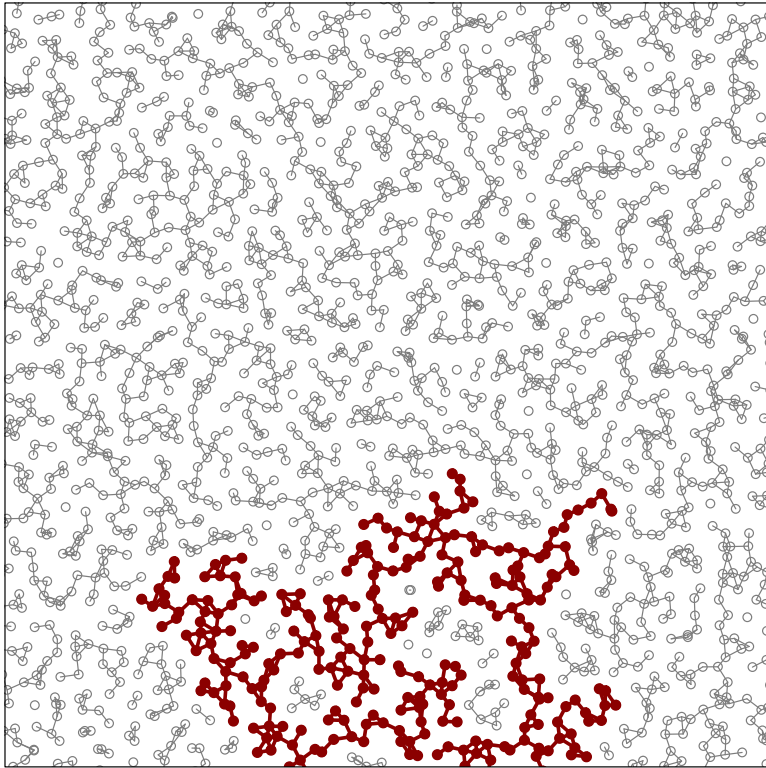
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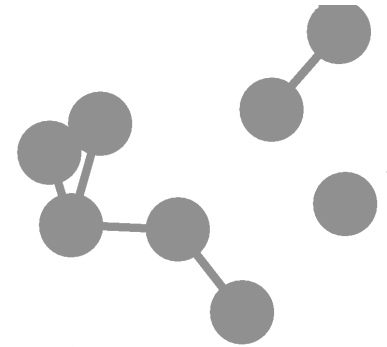
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- The notion of sub- and super-Poisson distributions is used e.g. in quantum physics and denotes distributions for which the variance is smaller (respectively larger) than the mean.

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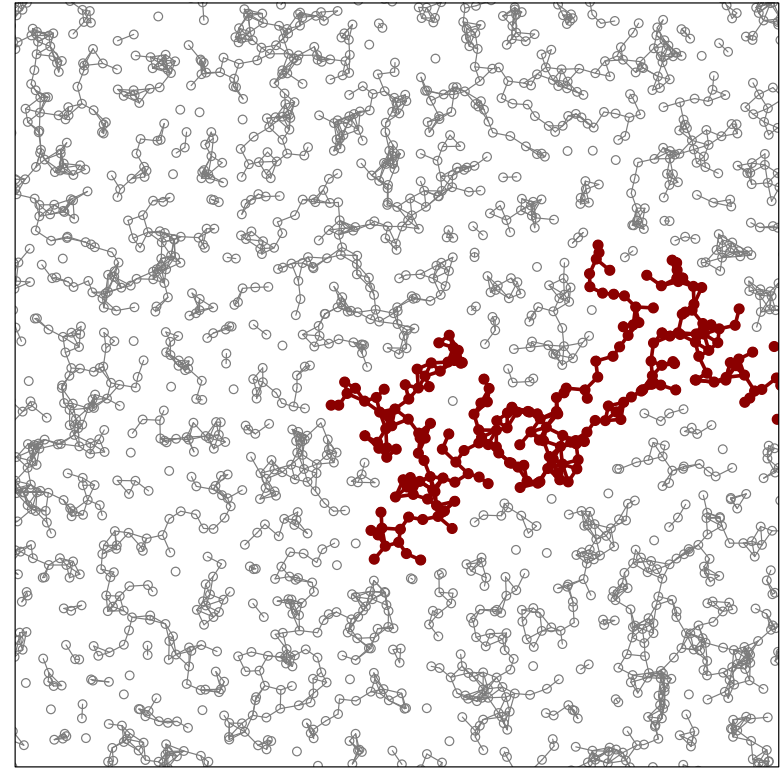
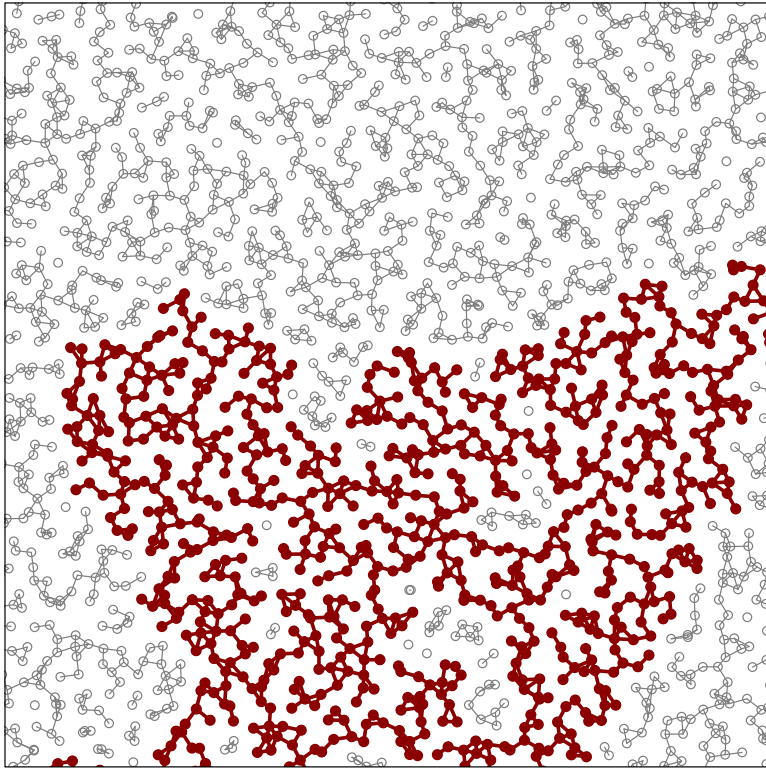


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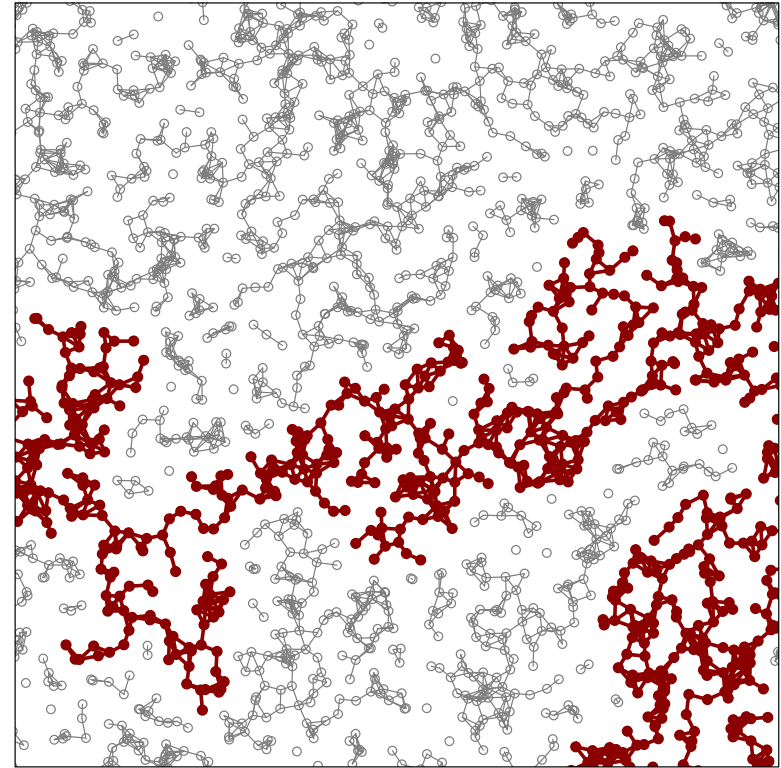
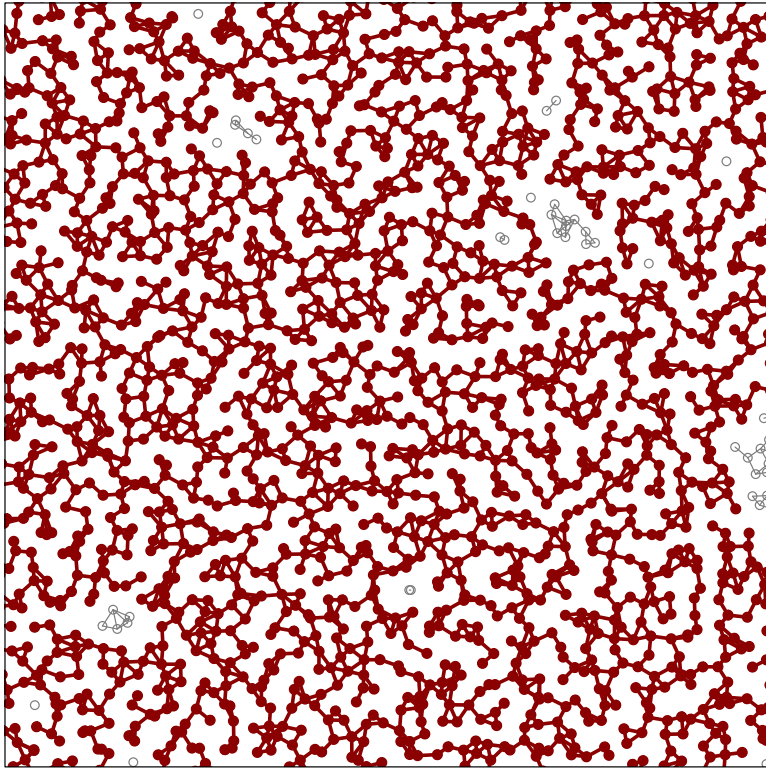
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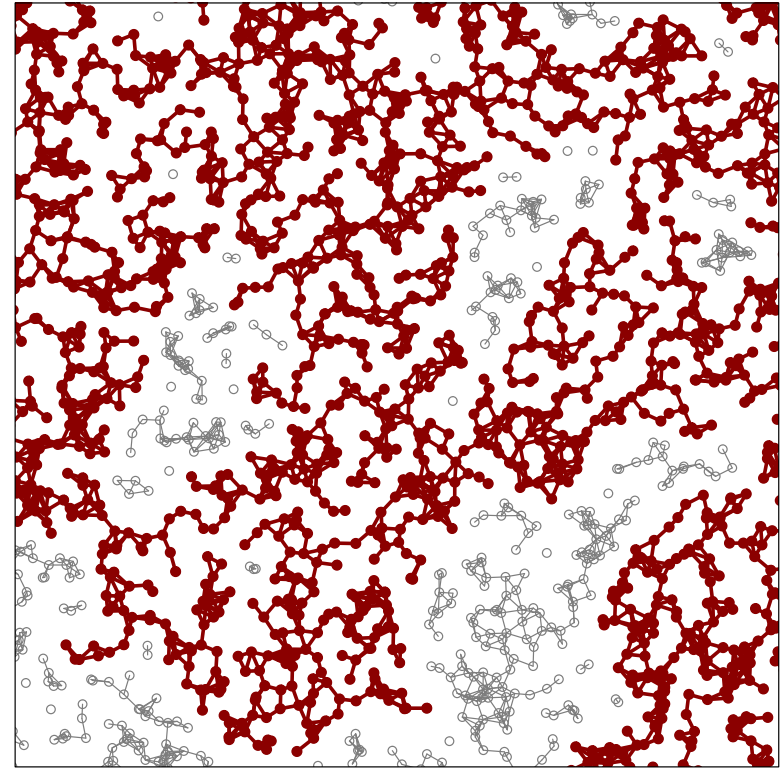
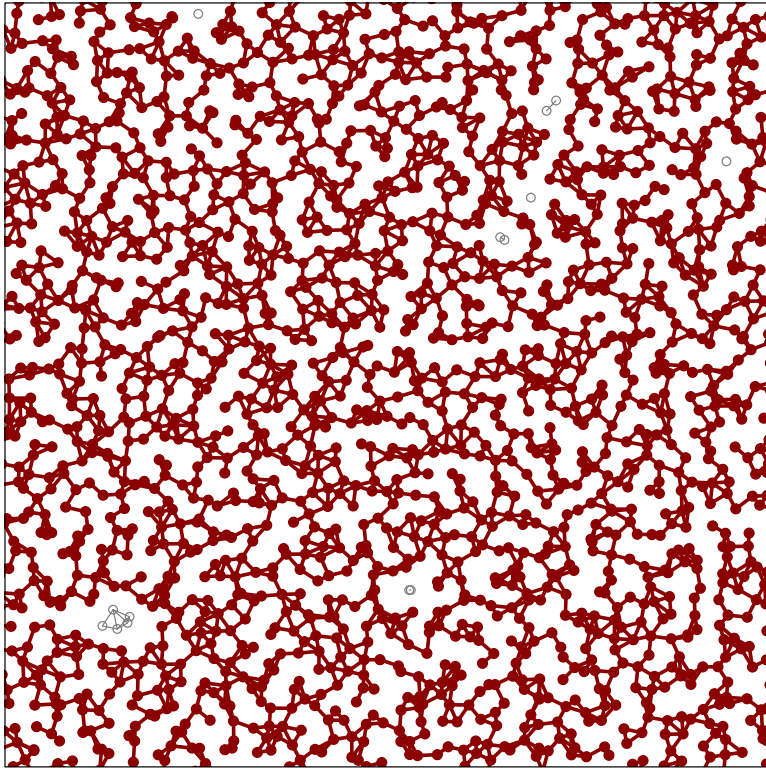
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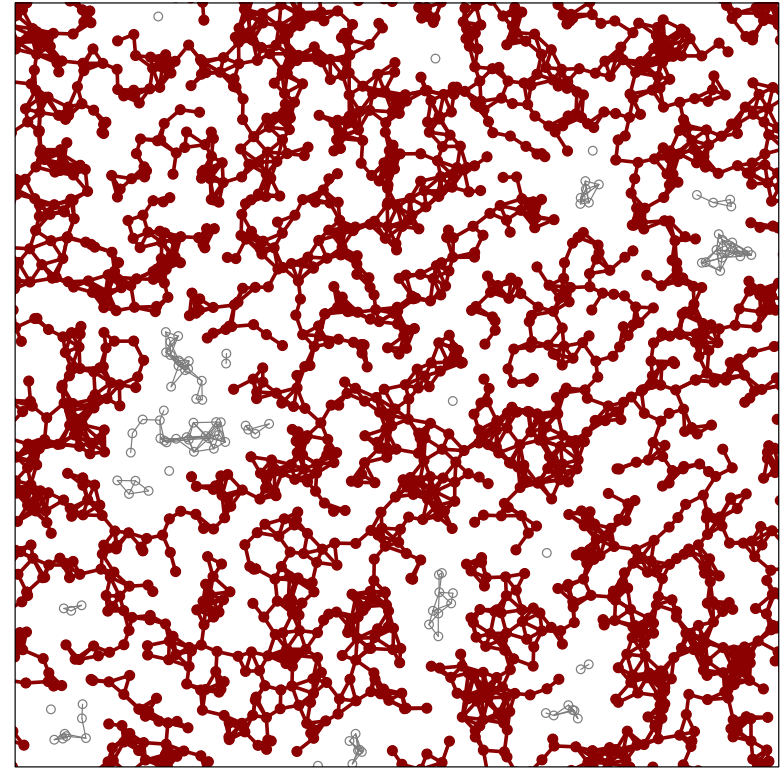
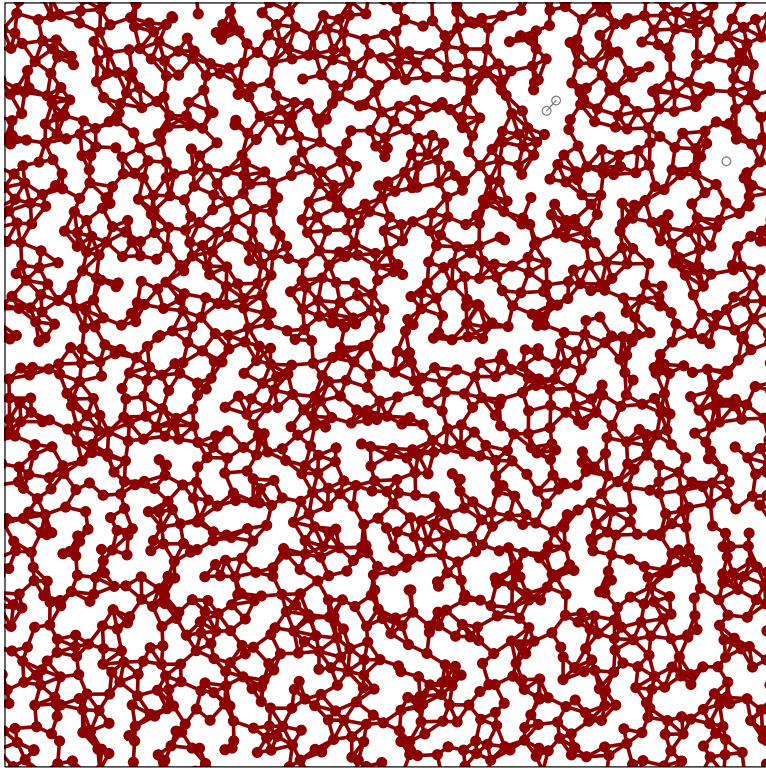
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Heuristic: Interconnecting well spaced-out clusters (necessary to obtain an infinite connected component) requires large r . Spreading points from clusters "more homogeneously" should result in a decrease r for which the percolation takes place.

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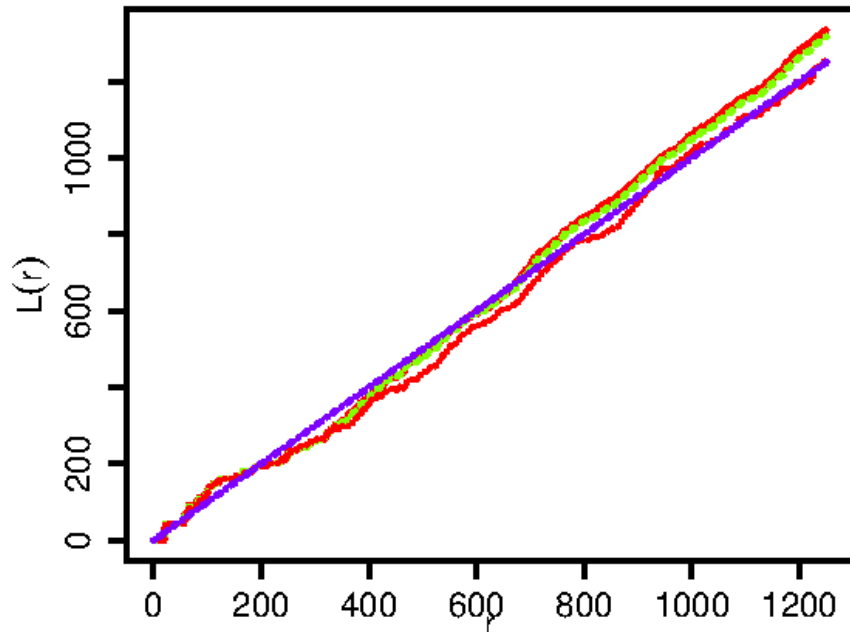
- Riplay's L function: $L(r) = (K(r)/\kappa_d)^{1/d}$, where κ_d volume of the unit ball in \mathbb{R}^d .

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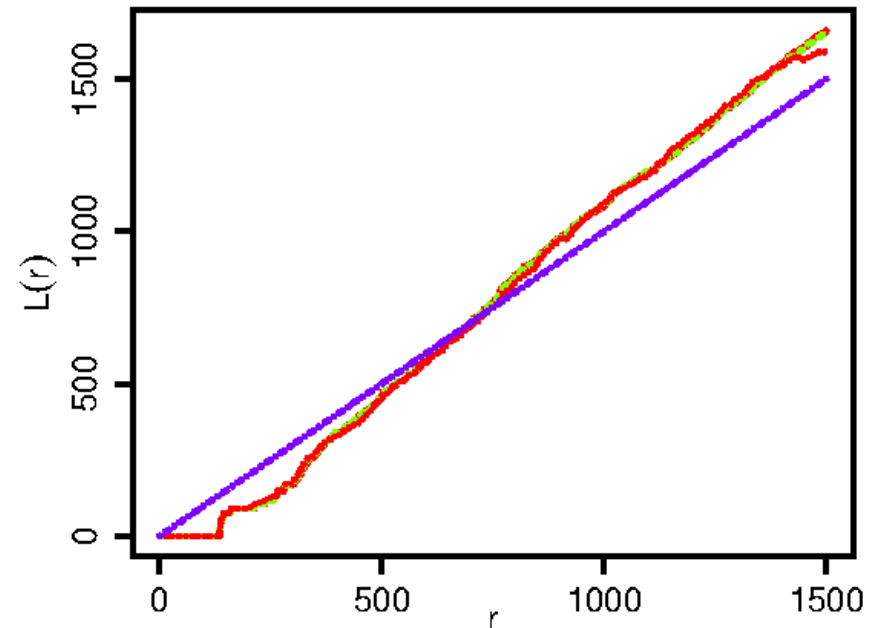
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"Poisson-like network"



more "regular" network

Empirical Ripley's L function for real positioning of BS in some big European city (Jovanovic&Karray [Orange Labs]).

Allow for local clustering comparison at different scales r .

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Also a local comparison. Too weak to capture global (percolation-like) properties.

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Stoyan'83 considers applications to some renewal, Cox, Neyman-Scott and fibre processes.

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$$\mathbf{E}(e^{-t\Phi(B)}) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} e^{-tk} \mathbf{P}(\Phi(B) = k) = \mathbf{P}(\Phi'(B) = 0)$$

is the void probability of the point process Φ' obtained from Φ by independent thinning with retention probability $1 - e^{-t}$. Ordering of voids is preserved by independent thinning.

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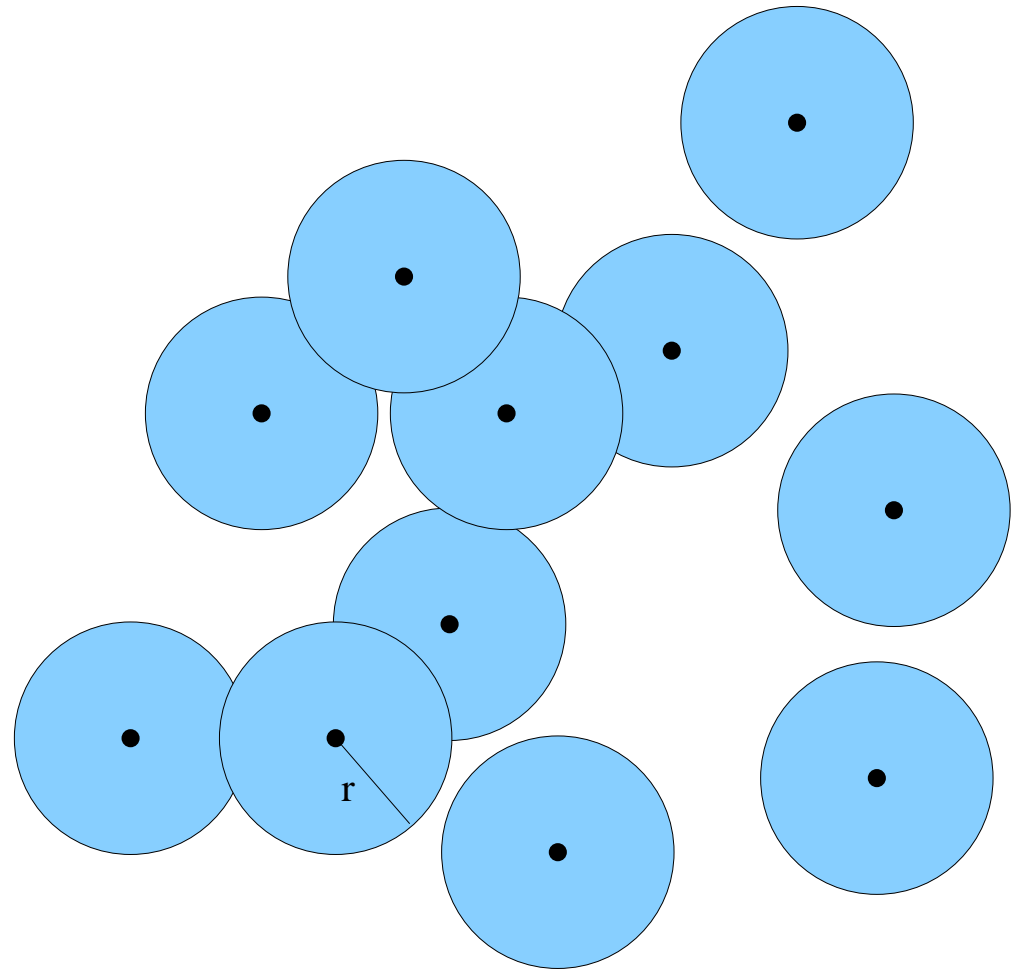
Extension of a result for Poisson pp (cf Penrose (2003)):

- **Cor.** Let Φ be an unit intensity, simple, stationary, weakly sub-Poisson point process and B_n be a set of Lebesgue measure n . Then, for any $1/2 < a < 1$ there exist $n(a)$ such that for $n \geq n(a)$
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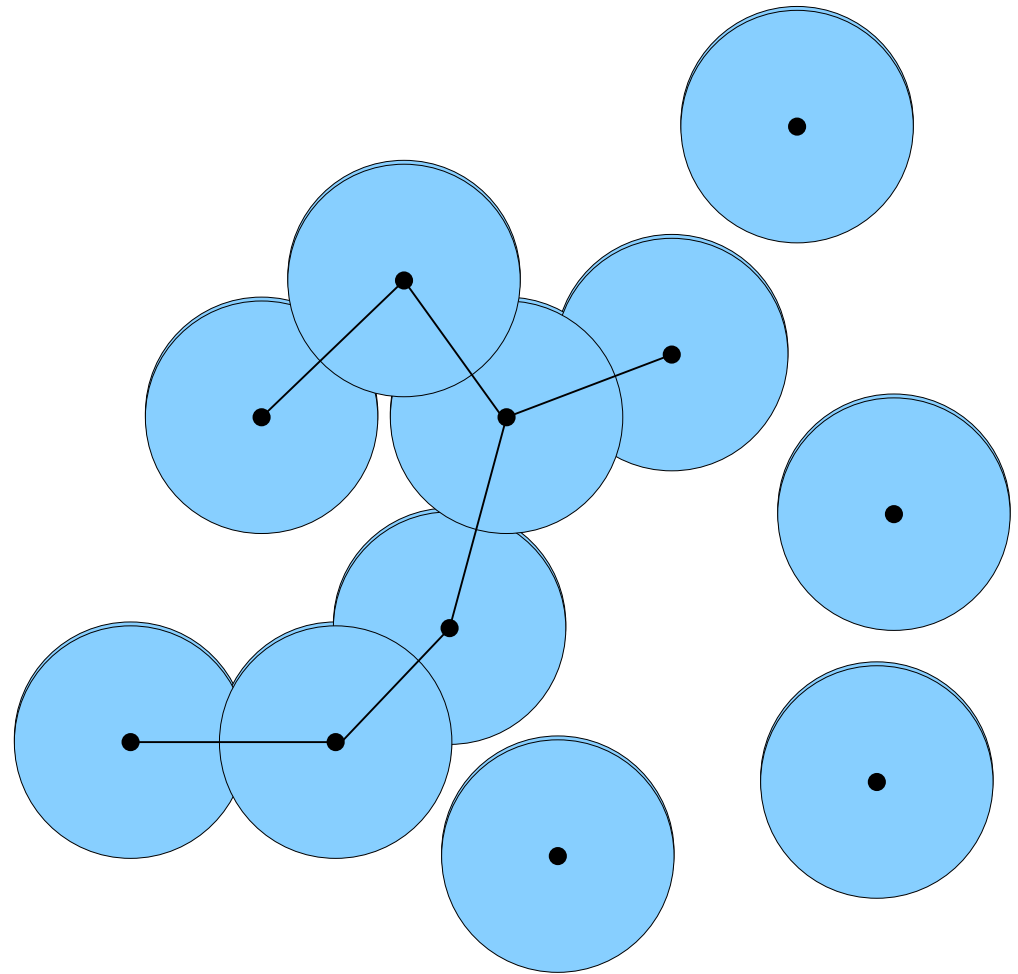


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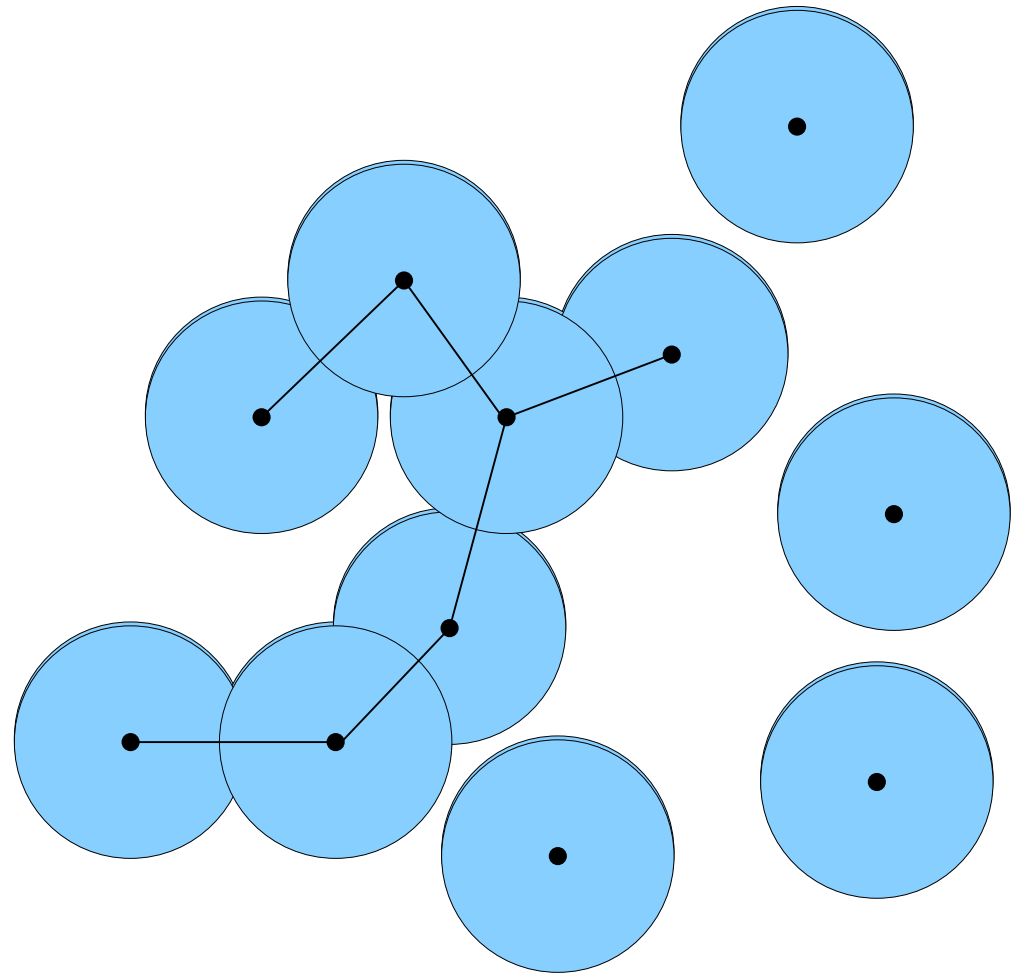


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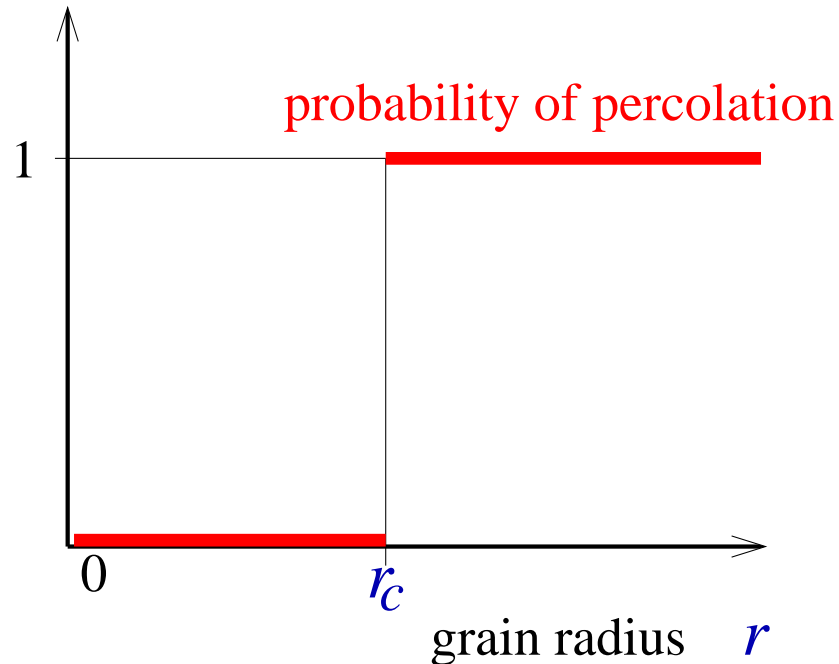
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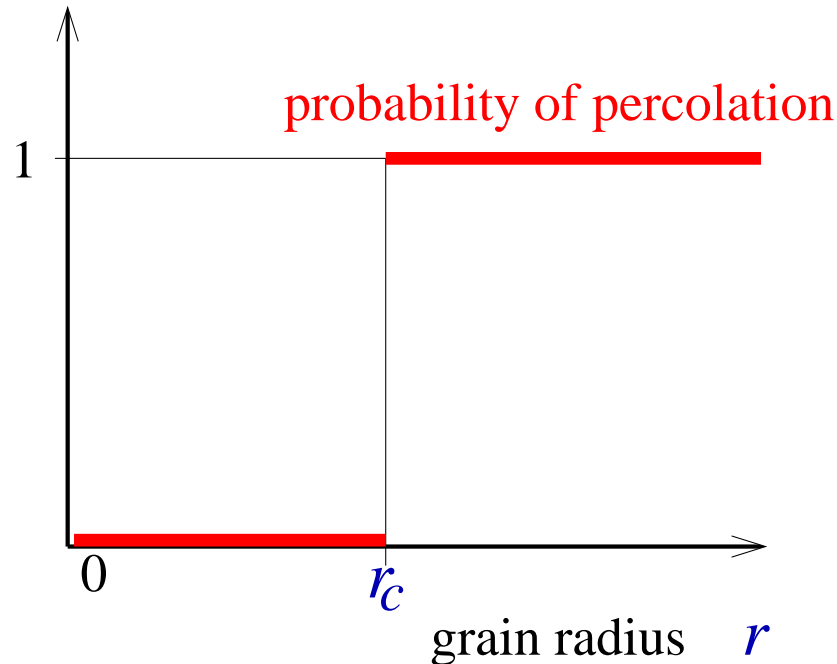
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- If $0 < r_c < \infty$ the **phase transition is non-trivial**.

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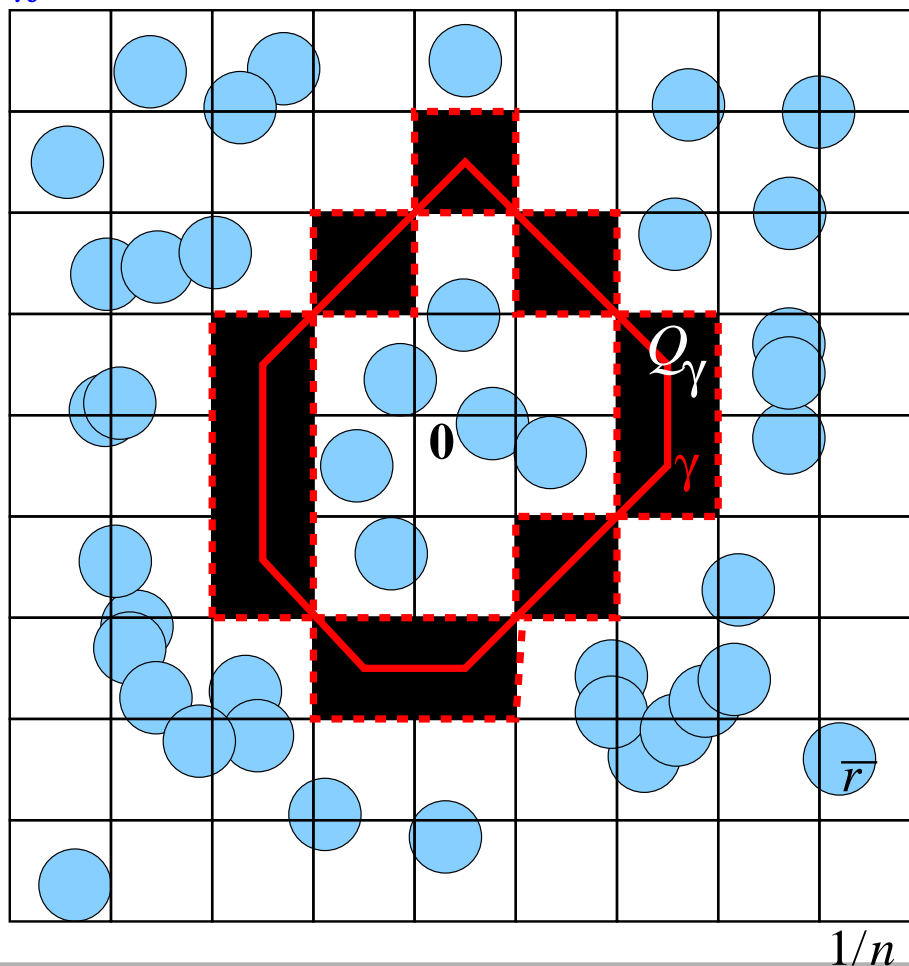
An upper bound on r_c using voids

$$\bar{r}_c = \inf \left\{ r > 0 : \forall n \geq 1, \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_n} \mathbf{P} (C(\Phi, r) \cap Q_\gamma = \emptyset) < \infty \right\}.$$

By Peierls argument

$$r_c(\Phi) \leq \bar{r}_c(\Phi).$$

Smaller voids imply
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Moments & percolation — a necessary cond.

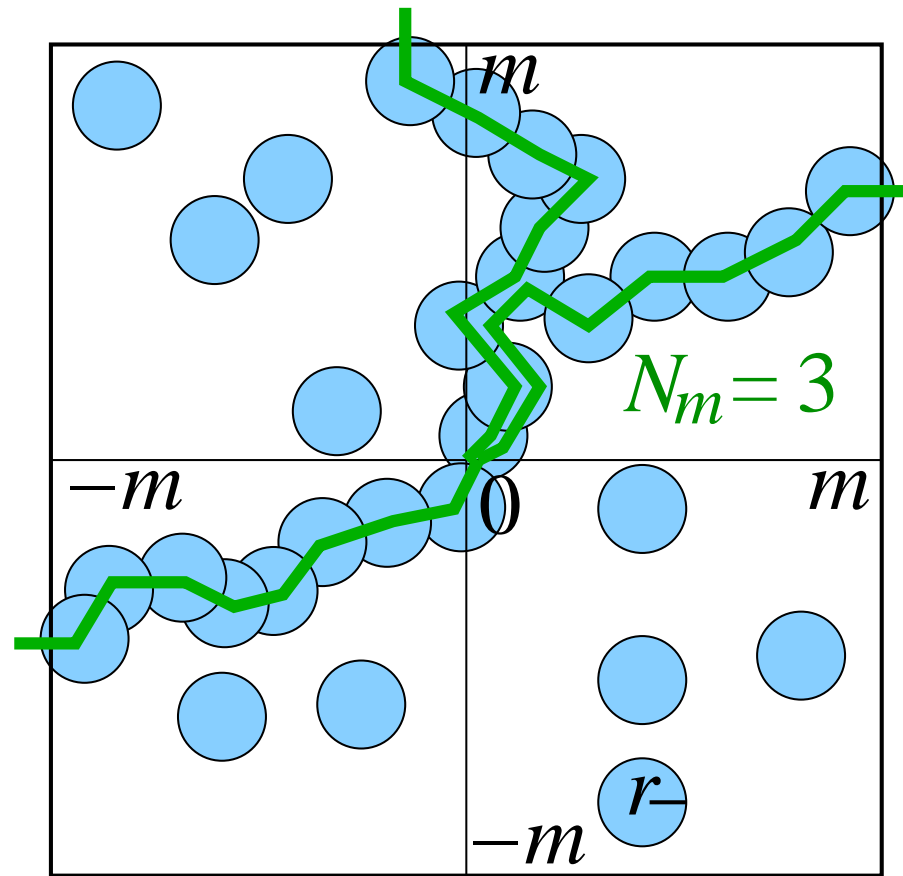
A lower bound on r_c related to moments measures

$$\underline{r}_c(\Phi) := \inf \left\{ r > 0 : \liminf_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{E}(N_m(\Phi, r)) > 0 \right\}.$$

By Markov inequality

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Non-trivial phase transition for sub-Poisson

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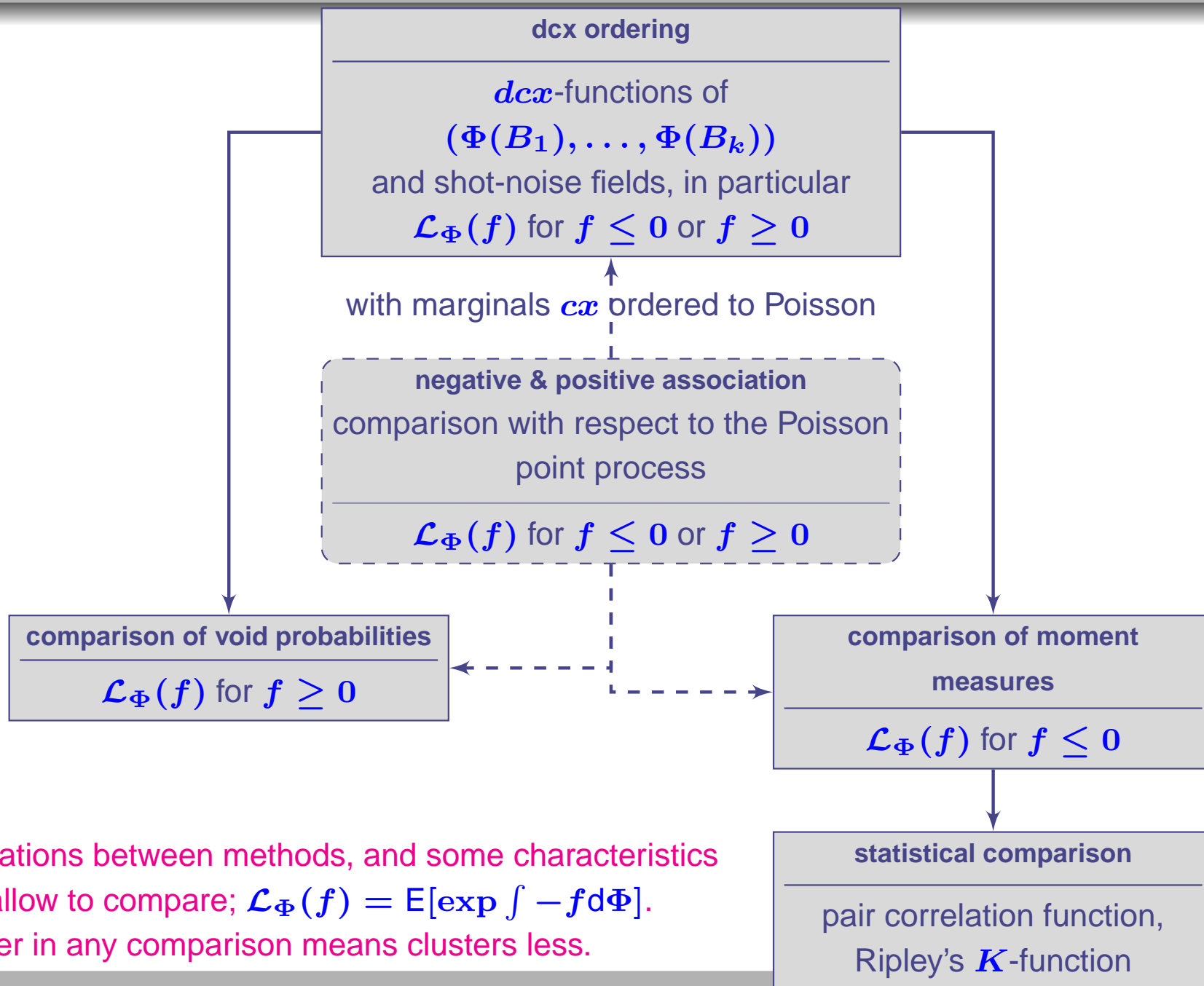
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Clustering comparison tools — recap.



Implications between methods, and some characteristics
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EXAMPLES ???

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Some point processes comparable to Poisson point process according to different methods.

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— voids, moments and more

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Clustering worsens percolation? — examples and ... a counterexample

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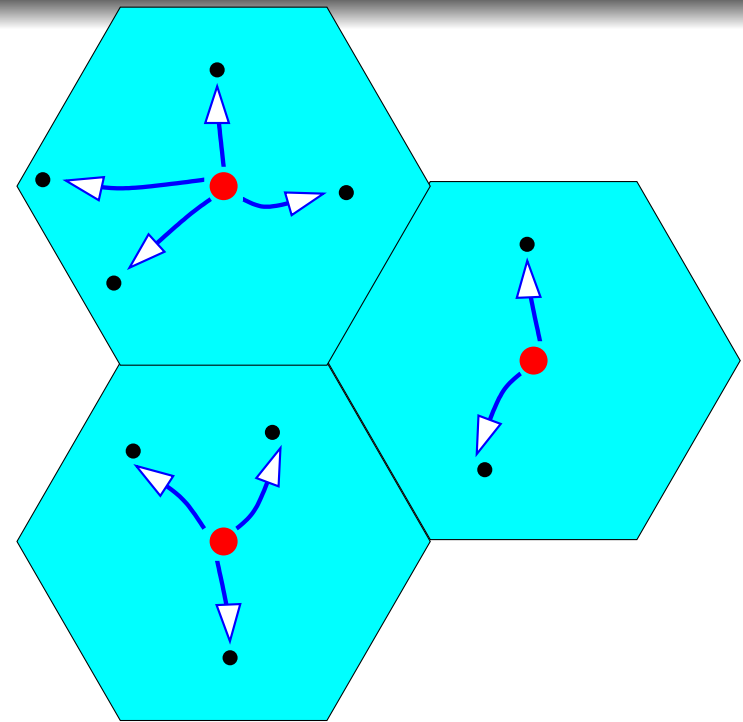
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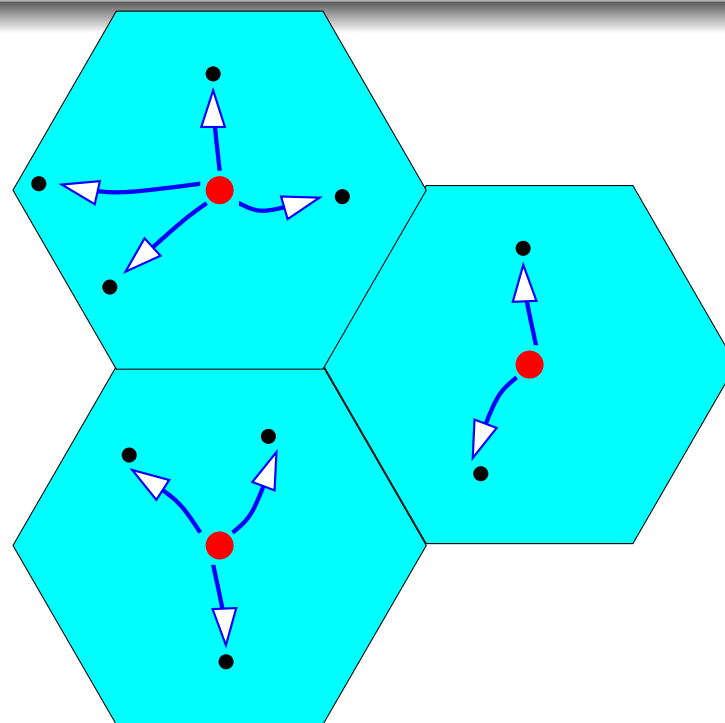
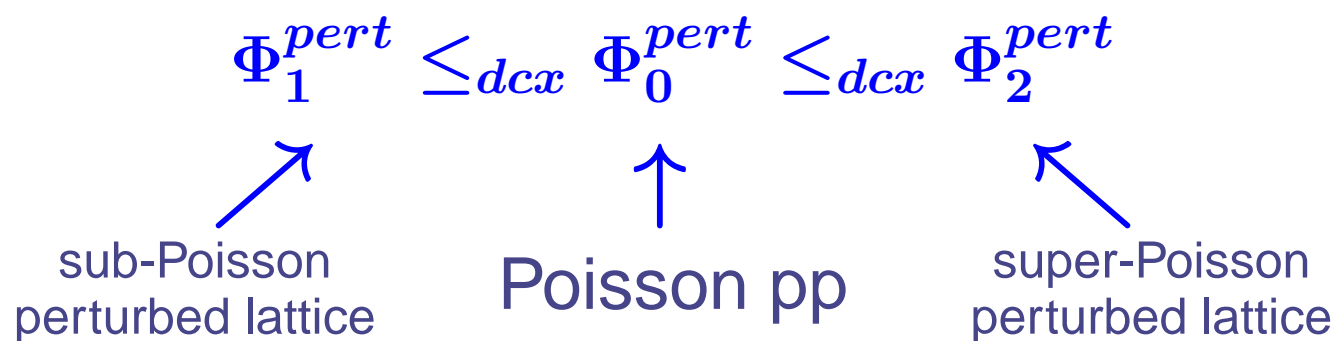
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Conjecture for perturbed lattices

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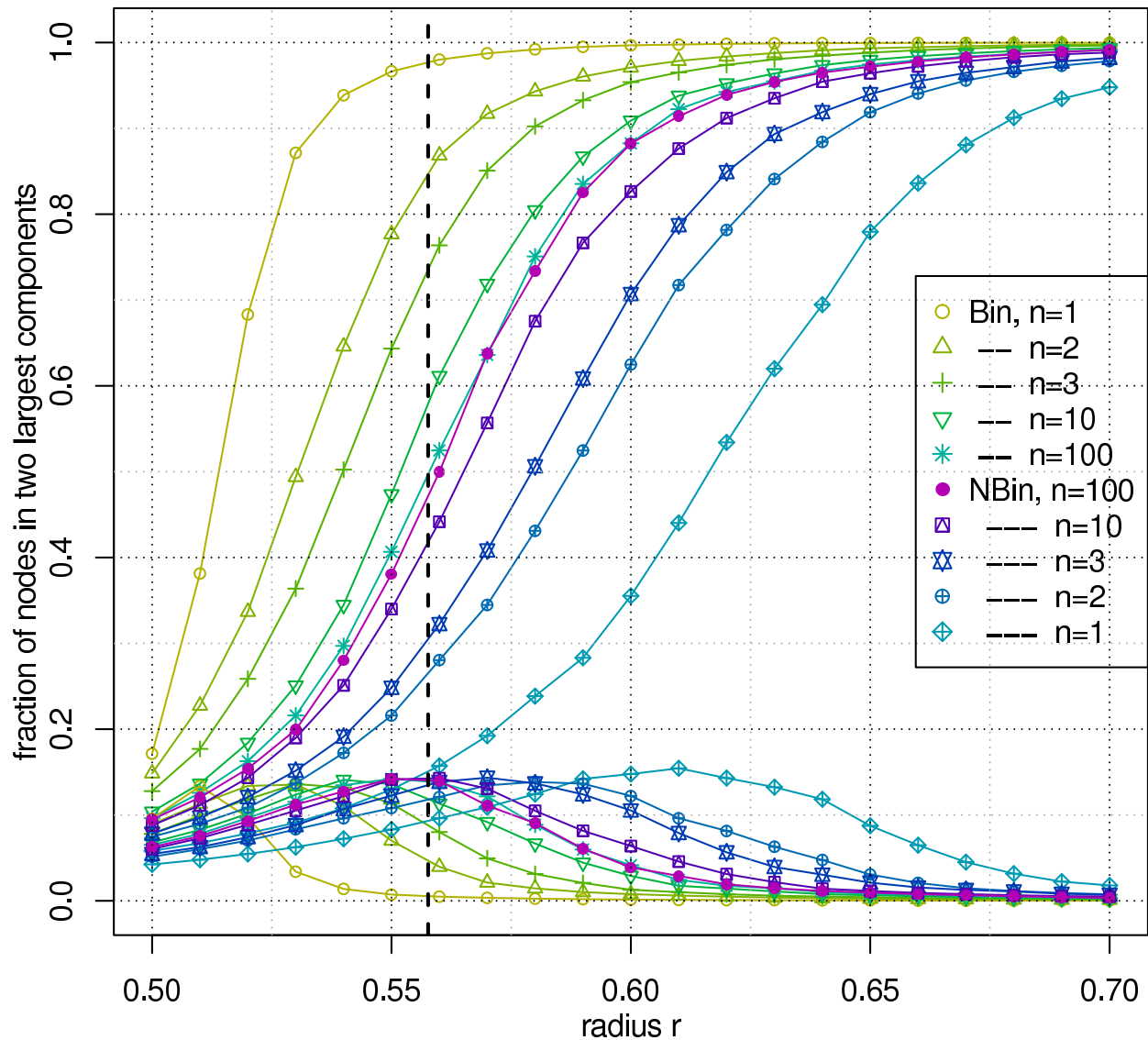
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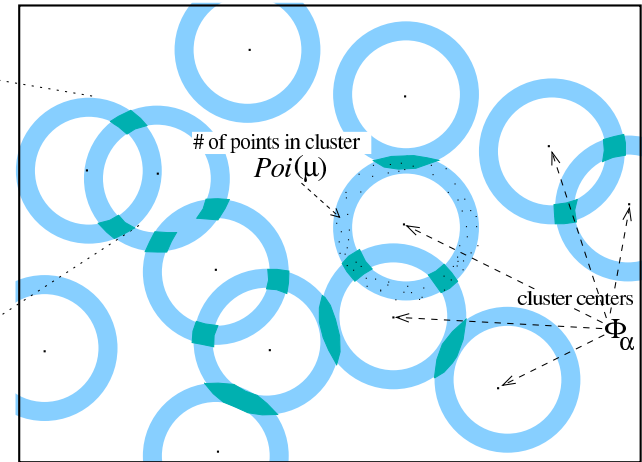
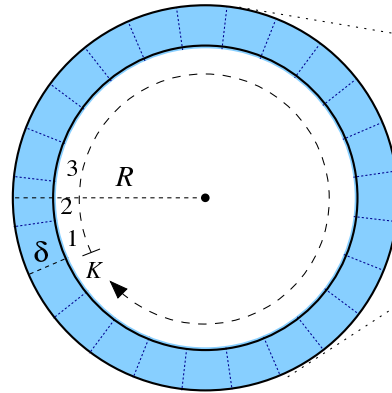
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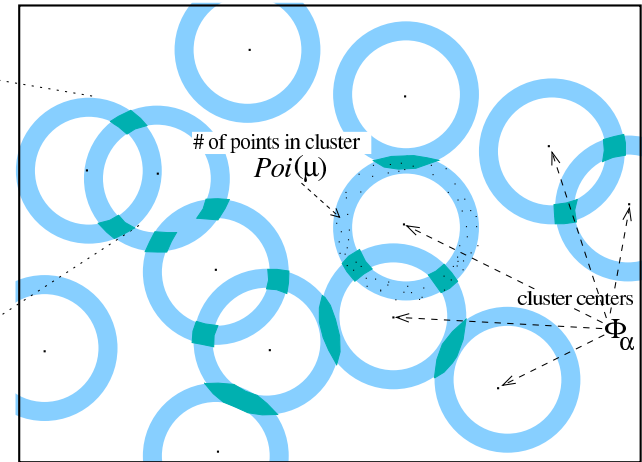
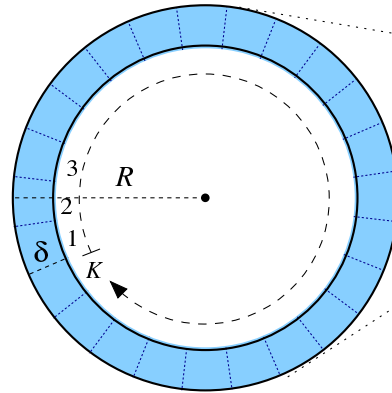


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