Our life and work with

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Marc Chagall, Portrait of an Unknown Soldier of Mathematics, MOMA NYC

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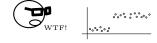


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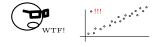


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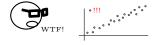


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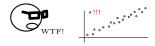
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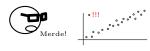


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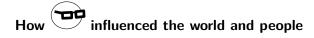


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Details to appear in Acta Antochologica, currently available as online-first.

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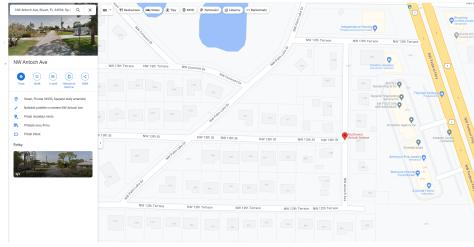


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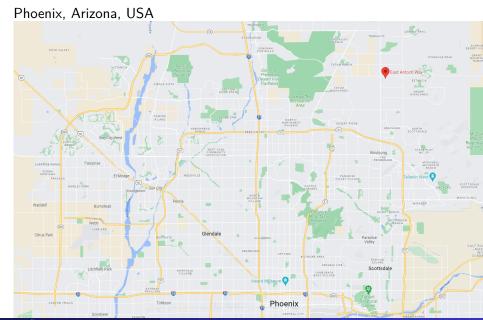
Case study II: Florida

Antoch Avenue — Stuart City, Florida, USA



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Phoenix, Arizona, USA (detail)



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Milan Hladík's project:

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Part III

My personal experience

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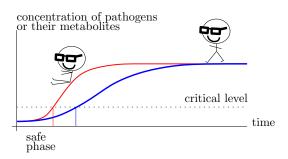
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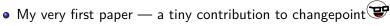
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My very first paper — a tiny contribution to changepoint



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- Max-type statistics: bounds are often derived in terms of Bonferroni bounds

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Remark. For the lovers of asymptotics: if n is large enough, then, with a very high probability, our method is extremely fast — almost a linear time algorithm. (However, the asymptotics works for $n \geqslant 10^{10^{10^{271}}}\dots$)

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- J.D. Kloke and J.W. McKean: Rfit: Rank-based Estimation for Linear Models (The R Journal)
 - Rfit uses package optim with option BFGS to minimize the dispersion function. We investigated other minimization methods (e.g., Nelder-Mead or CG), however the quasi-Newton method works well in terms of speed and convergence.
 - The documentation of the optim package: BFGS is a quasi-Newton method (...). It uses function values and gradients to build up a 'picture' of the surface to be optimized.













And the last slide...

Thanks for your attention!

