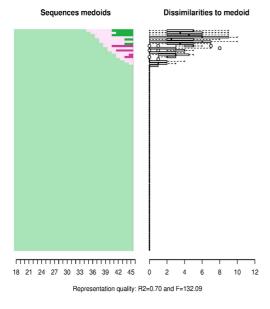
# **Online appendix**

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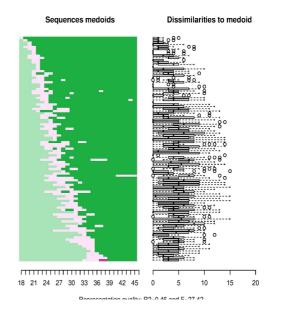
Appendix 1. Partnership trajectory clusters of the childless in Finland and Belgium; relative frequency sequence plots, representative sequences

### A) Finland

#### 1) Never Partnered, 42%

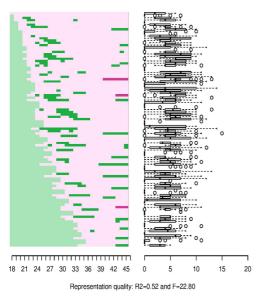


### 2) Partnership Instability, 16%



#### 3) Cohabitation, often serial, 25% Dissimilarities to medoid

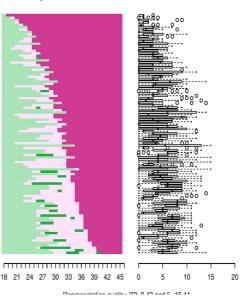
Sequences medoids



### 4) Stable Marriage, 17%

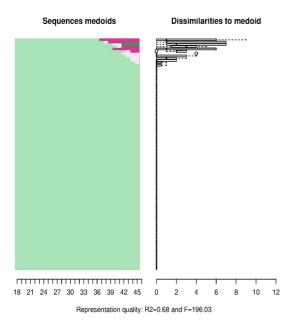
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Dissimilarities to medoid



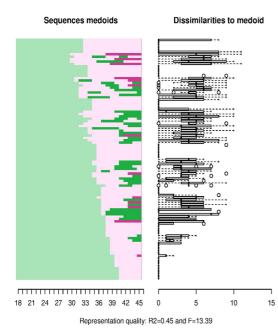
## 2 **B) Belgium**

### 1) Never Partnered, 47%



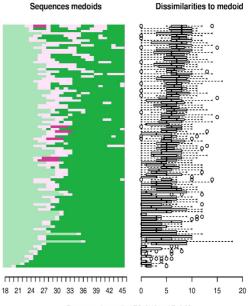
#### Sequences medoids Dissimilarities to medoid 80..... 0 ........ • - - -Q 00 0 0 1.1 8 00. 8 0-0--0 0000 0 A ..... 18 21 24 27 30 33 36 39 42 45 10 15 20 0 5 Representation quality: R2=0.29 and F=9.92

### 3) Late Cohabitation, 9%



Neverpartnered
Previously partnered
Cohabiting
Married

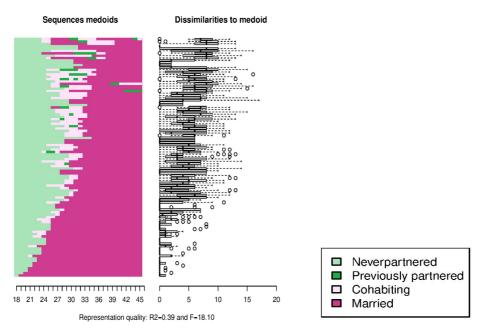
### 4) Partnership Instability, 16%



Representation quality: R2=0.18 and F=6.83

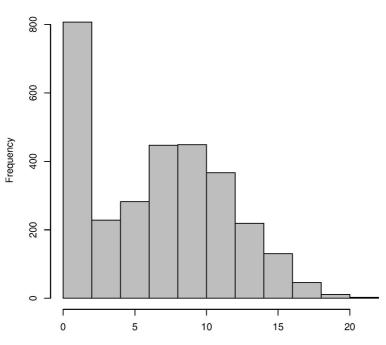
## 2) Early Cohabitation, 13%

### 5) Marriage, 15%



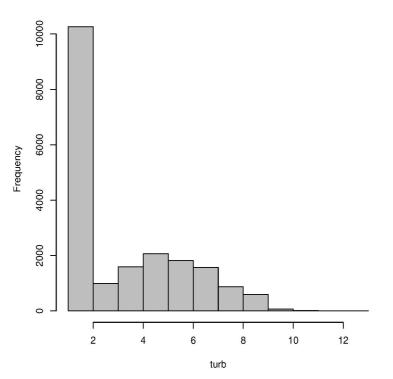
Appendix 2. Partnership trajectory turbulence in Finland and Belgium.

## A) Finland



#### Sequences's turbulence

# B) Belgium



## Sequences's turbulence