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## *Interactive comment on* "Evaluation of global seismicity along Northern and Southern hemispheres" *by* Olaide Sakiru Hammed et al.

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Dear Angeliki K. Adamaki,

As you can see in the attached figure (taken from MS2009) the correction factor that you have used (3.1) gives biased estimates of the b-value (dotted lines). The correction factor proposed by Tinti & Mulargia (3.9, 3.10) should be used (solid line).

You can also read it from the text "From fig. 1a,b, we can see that the estimation bTM (Tinti and Mulargia, 1987)is bias free, also for a small dataset." The conclusion text you referred to is about the general use of correction for grouped data.

Kind regards, Y. Kamer

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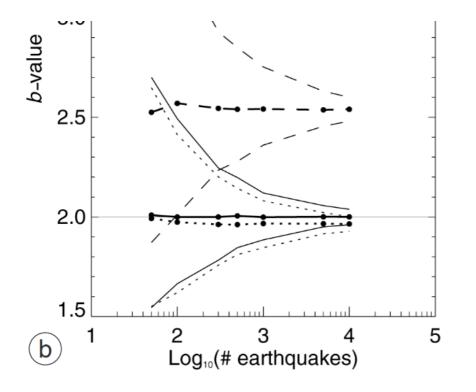
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Fig. 1.





ed lines),  $\hat{b}$  (dotted lines) and  $\hat{b}_{\text{TM}}$  (thicker solid line)