

Highly comparative time-series analysis

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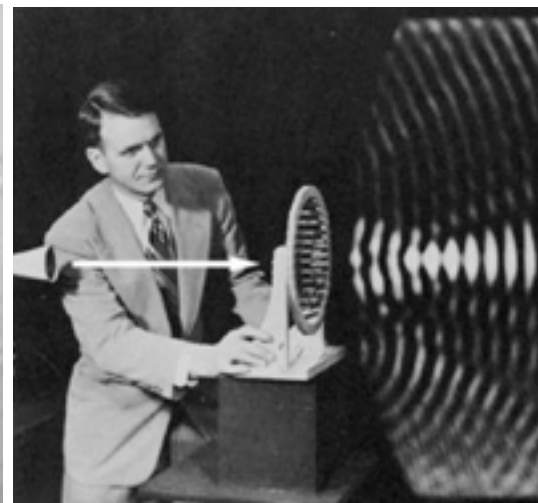


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The art of time-series analysis

I. Measure data



2. Inspect data thoroughly, talk to domain experts, and manually devise appropriate models and methods based on intuition and experience



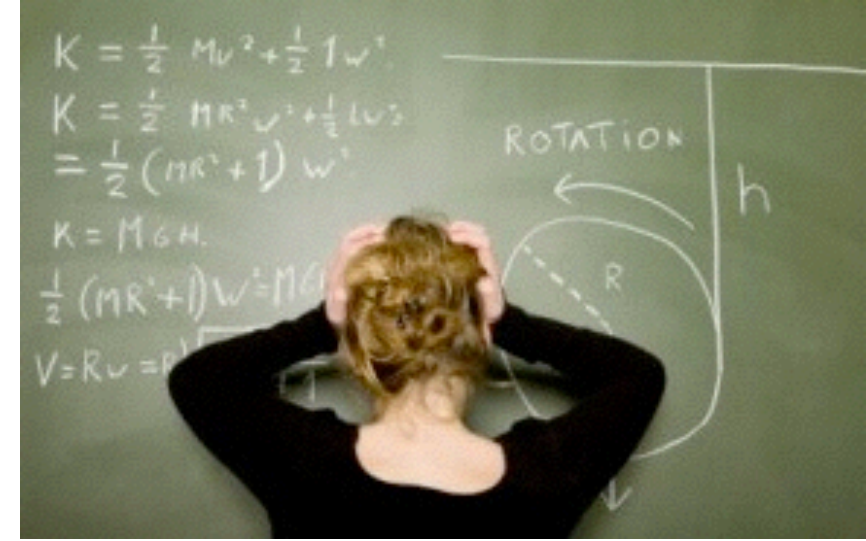
“Do what I did during my PhD”



“Use standard analysis methods from my field”

“Apply a hot new method I read about in Nature”

Worries



- Is your proposed method best, or can another (perhaps simpler) method outperform it?
- Are new methods really new, or do they reproduce the performance of existing methods (e.g., from another field, or developed in the past)?
- Papers introducing a new method compare their method to an average of 0.91 others, and 1.85 different datasets*.

Competing interdisciplinary approaches/opinions

vast and growing volumes of data and methods

“I know
someone
smart who
uses wavelets”

“Everyone knows
you can’t apply
AR time-series
models to
nonstationary
biomedical data!”

“ARIMA models
are a waste
of time”



Food



Structuring

Scientific endeavors often focus on structuring libraries of collected information.

Matter

The standard model

Elementary particles			
Quarks	u up	c charm	t top
	d down	s strange	b bottom
Leptons	ν_e electron neutrino	ν_μ muon neutrino	ν_τ tau neutrino
	e electron	μ muon	τ tau
	Higgs* boson		
			γ photon
			Z Z boson
			W^+ W+ boson
			W^- W- boson
			g gluon

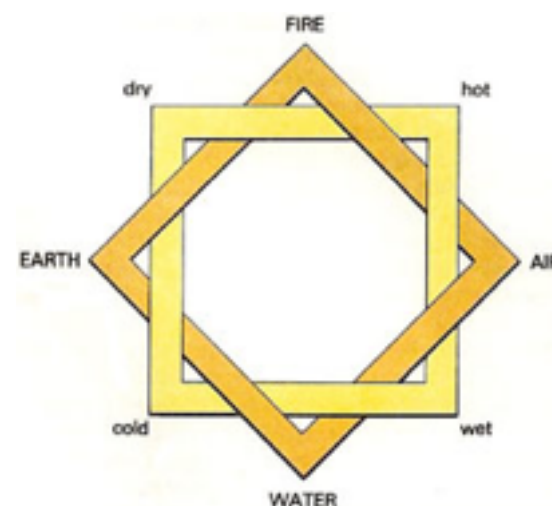
Source: AAAS *Yet to be confirmed

Helps us to understand the complexity in the world

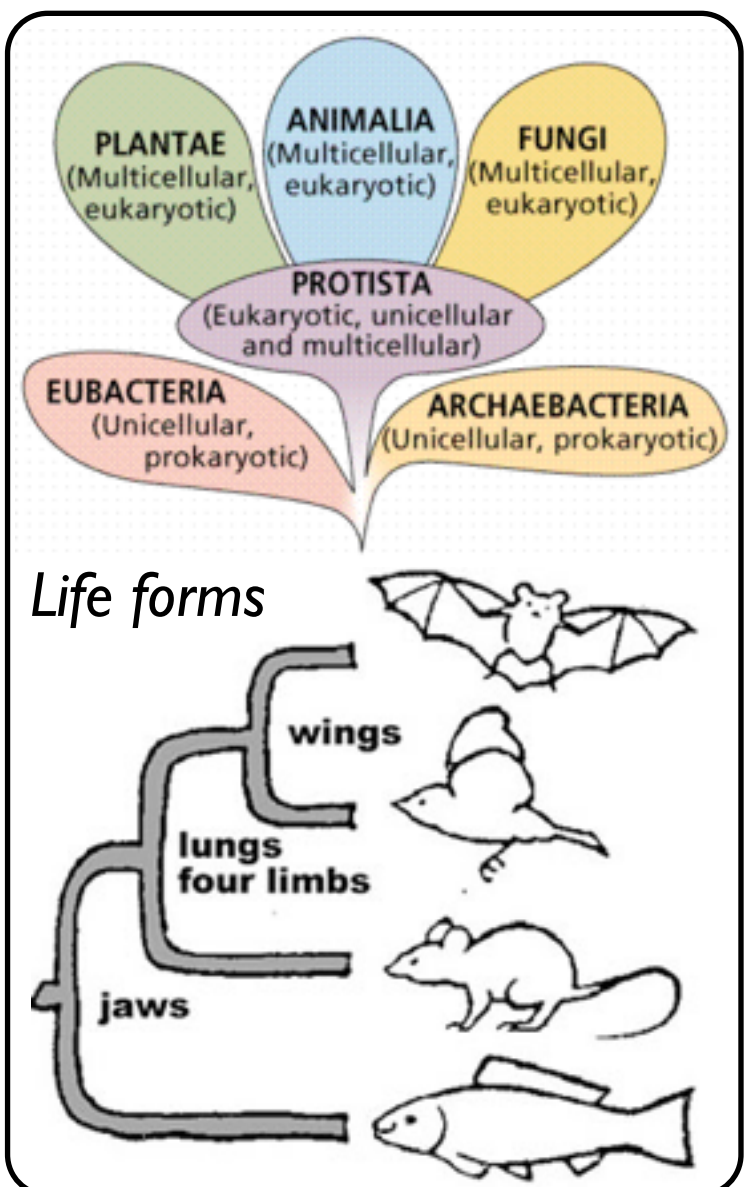
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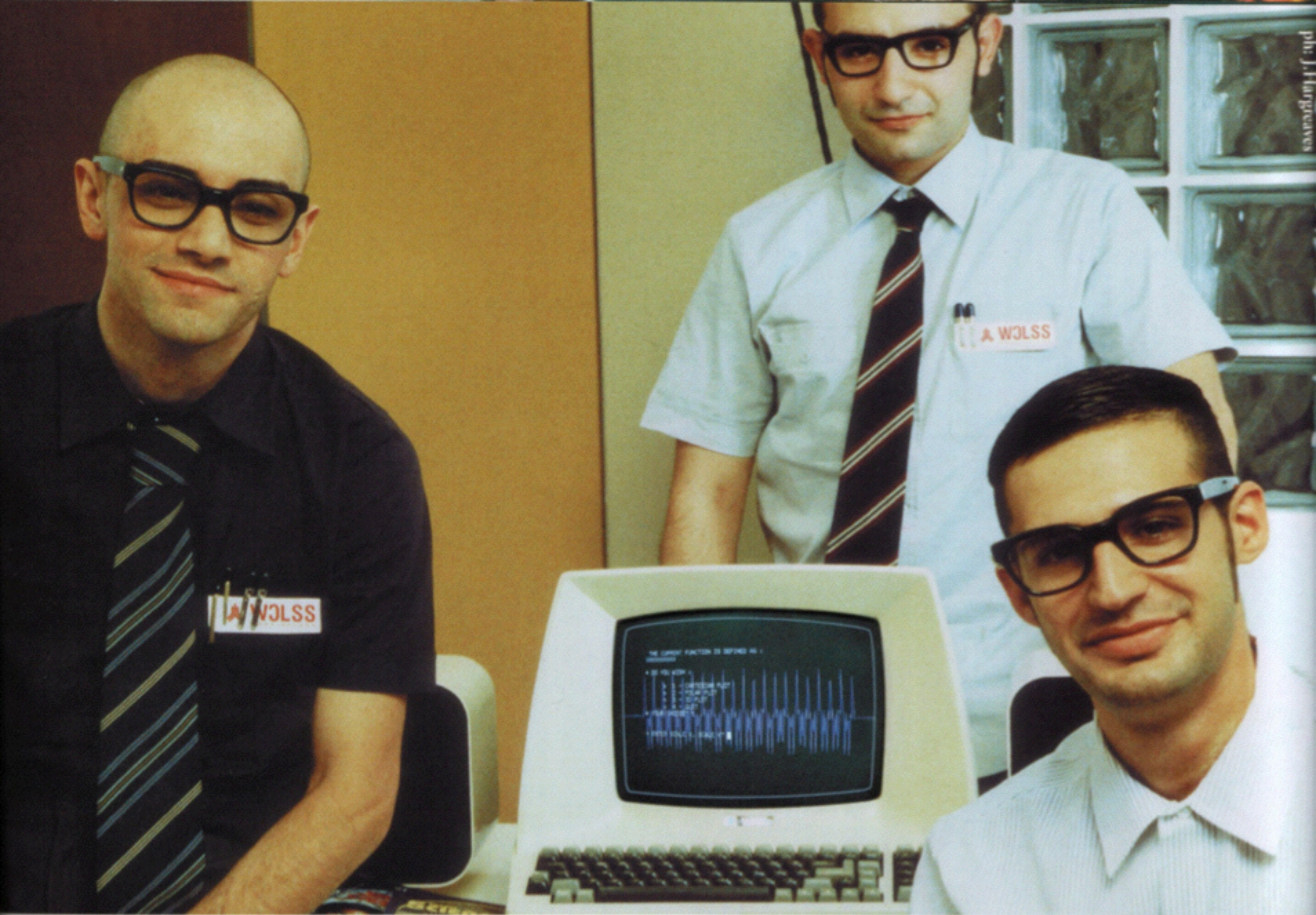
PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS

Table of Radioactive Isotopes



Life forms





LET COMPUTERS DO IT !

First we collect

e.g.:



Frolicking in field with net

*before you
know it* →



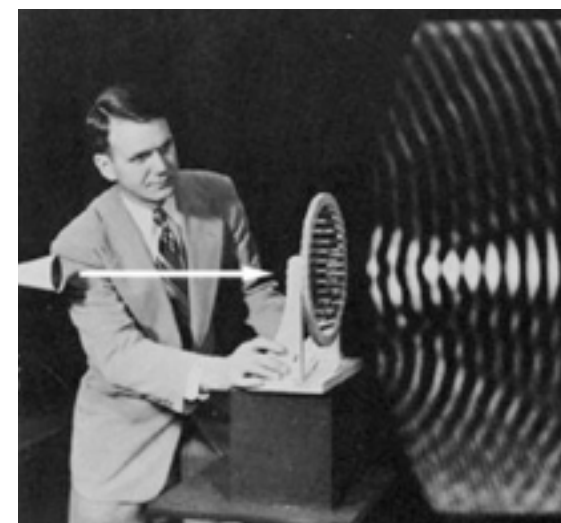
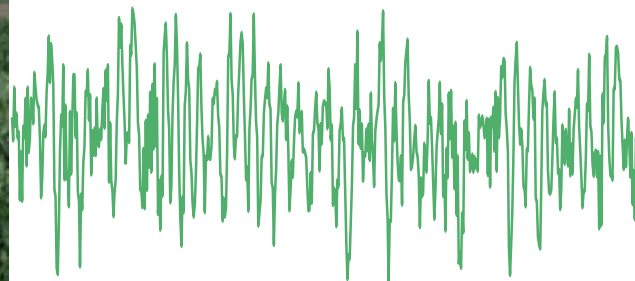
Butterfly collection

Less fun, but also important:

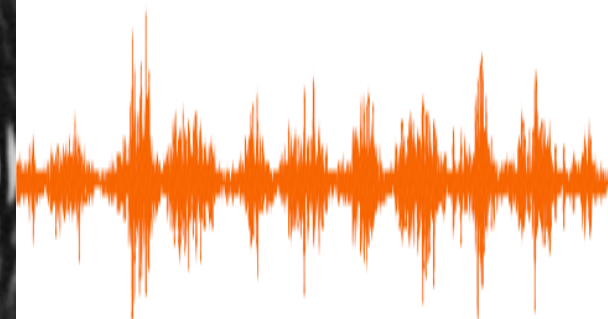
What about our data? What about our methods?



This dude is measuring crops



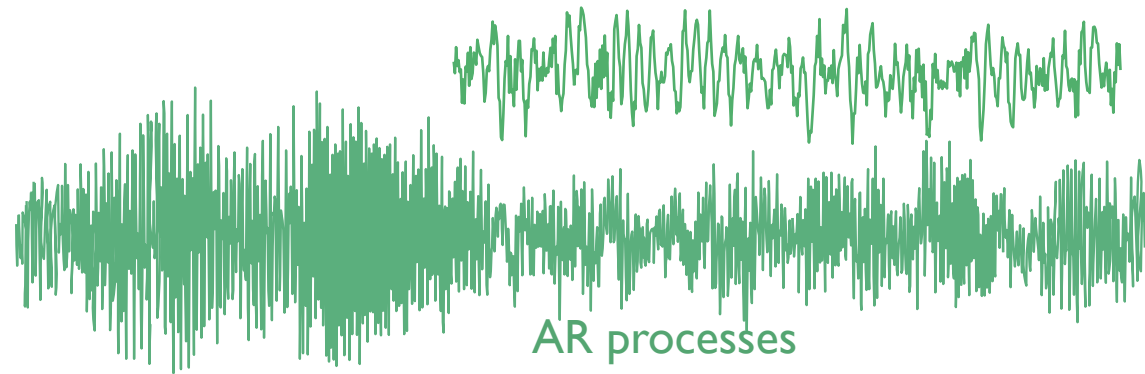
This dude is measuring sound waves



medical CO₂ fluctuations

> 30 000

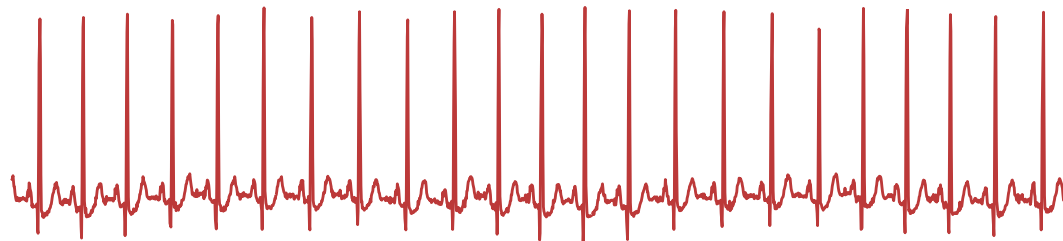
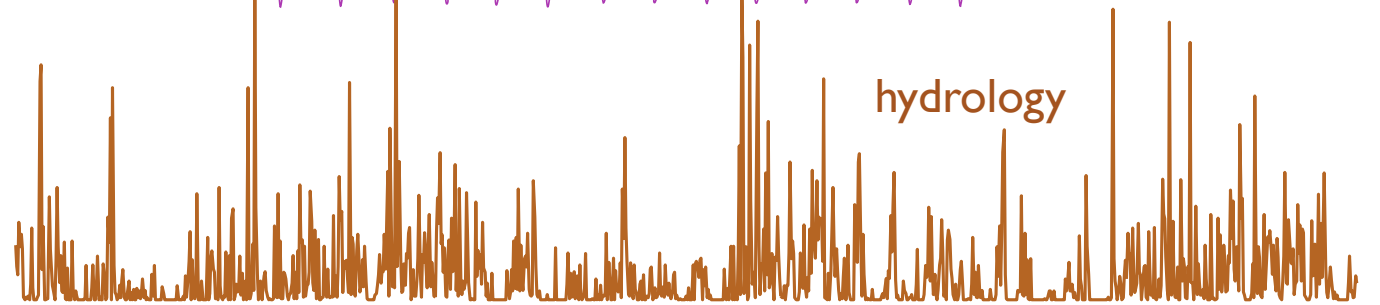
What time series?



dynamical systems



hydrology



medical: normal sinus rhythm

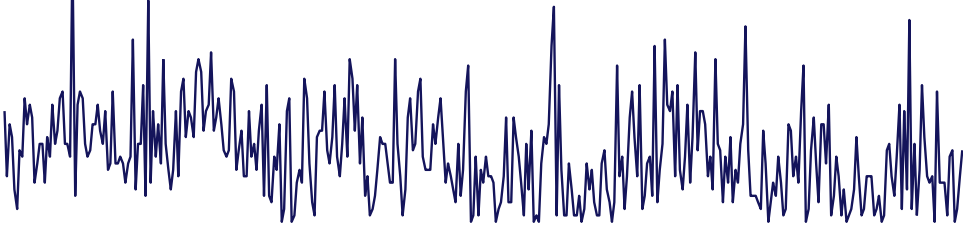


audio: brushing teeth

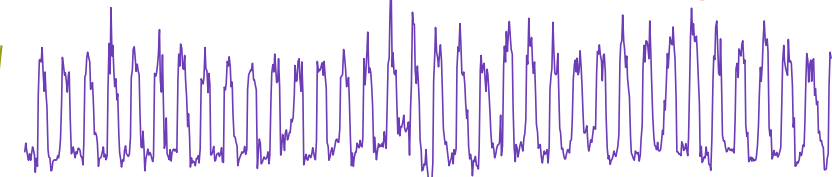
finance: oil prices



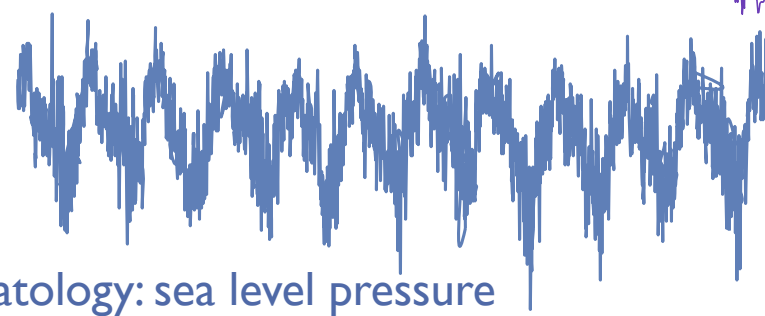
text: sentence lengths



satellite position



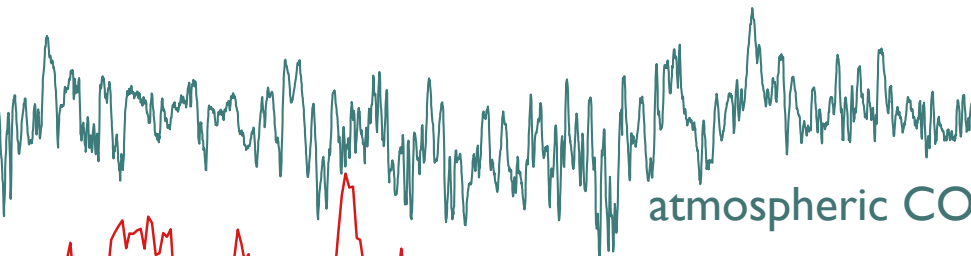
climatology: sea level pressure



noise



atmospheric CO₂ fluctuations



SDEs



zooplankton growth



Analysis methods

Static distribution

Quantiles Trimmed means
Fits to standard distributions
Outliers Moments
Entropy
Rank-orderings Standard deviation

Stationarity

StatAv Sliding window measures
Bootstraps Step detection
Distribution comparisons

Basis Functions

Wavelet transform
Peaks of power spectrum
Spectral measures
Power in frequency bands

Correlation

Linear autocorrelation Decay properties
Additive noise titration
Nonlinear autocorrelations
Time reversal asymmetry
Generalized self-correlation
Recurrence structure
Autocorrelation robustness
Scaling and fluctuation analysis
Permutation robustness
Local extrema Seasonality tests
Zero crossing rates

Model fits

Local prediction GARCH models
Fourier fits AR models
Exponential smoothing State space models
Hidden Markov models Biased walker simulations
Piecewise splines
ARMA models Gaussian Processes

(Phys) Nonlinear

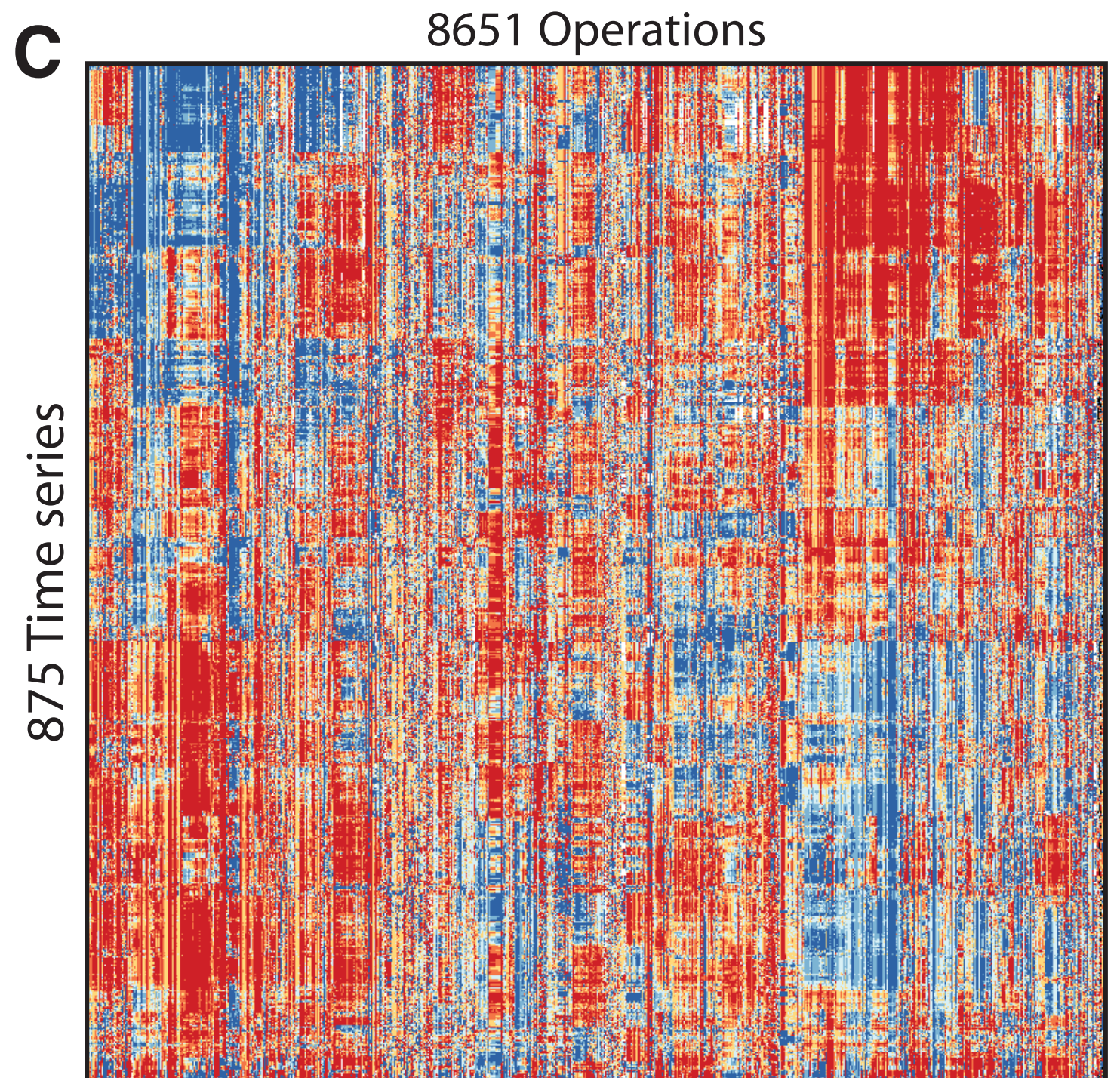
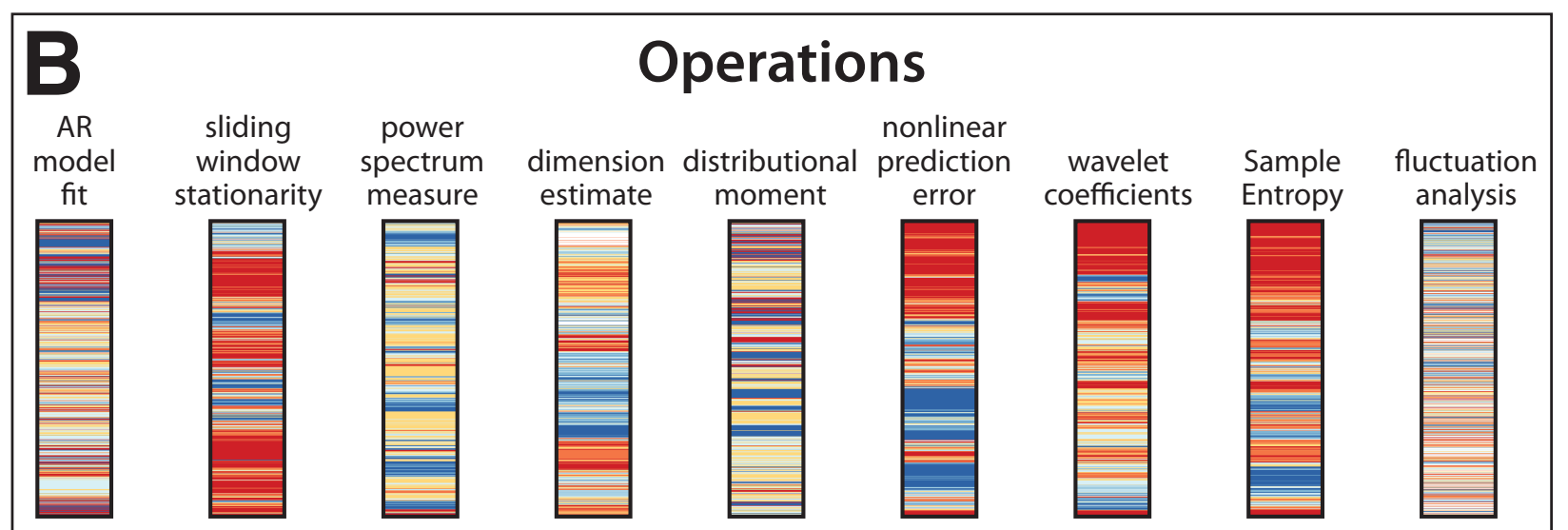
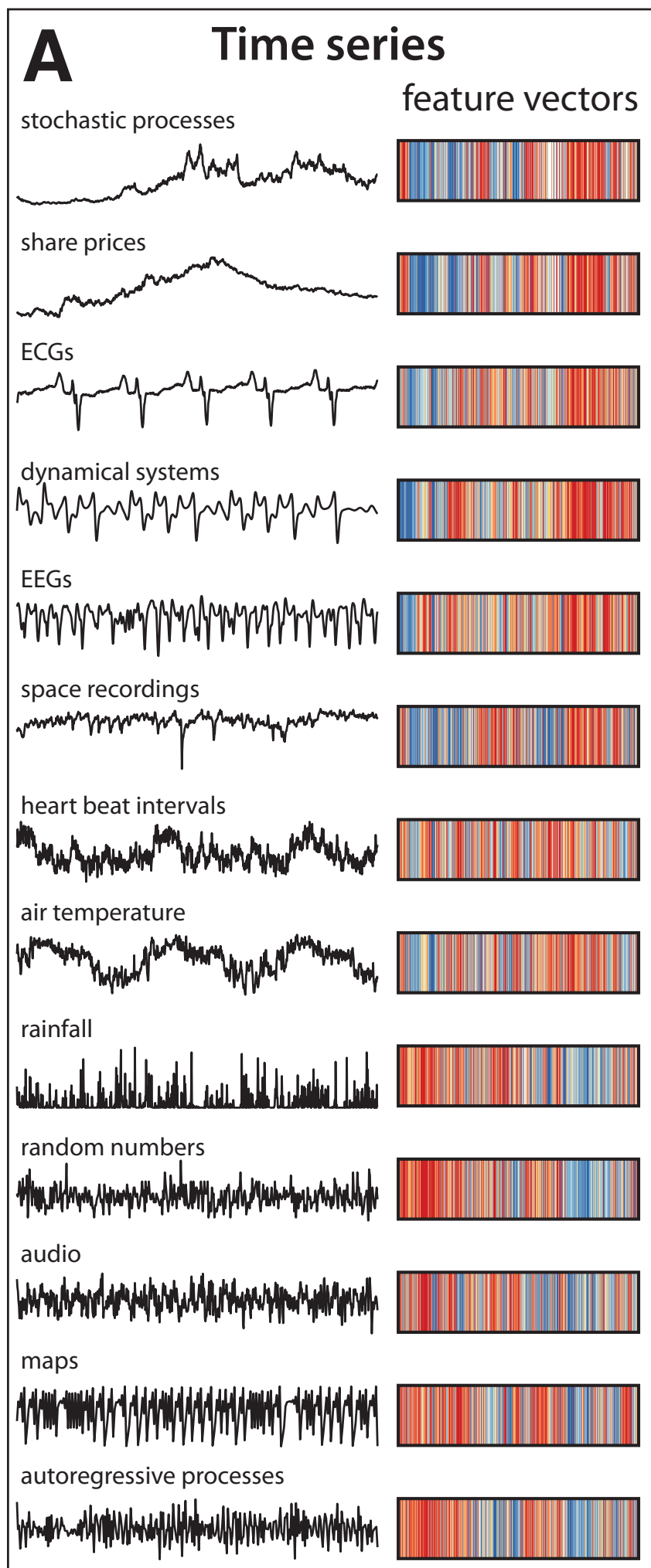
2D embedding structure TSTOOL
TISEAN Fractal dimension
Correlation dimension Taken's estimator
Poincaré sections Surrogate data
Nonlinear prediction error
Lyapunov exponent estimate
False nearest neighbors

Information Theory

Sample Entropy Automutual information
Entropy rate Approximate Entropy
Tsallis entropies

Others

Transition matrices Local motifs
Dynamical system coupling
Visibility graph Stick angle distribution
Extreme events Singular spectrum analysis
Domain-specific techniques



Time-series analysis 101:
always look at your data

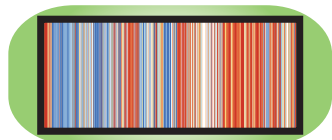




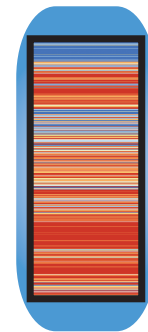
in
time-series analysis
we trust

Empirical fingerprints

A flexible, powerful, and data-driven means of comparing time series, and analysis methods.



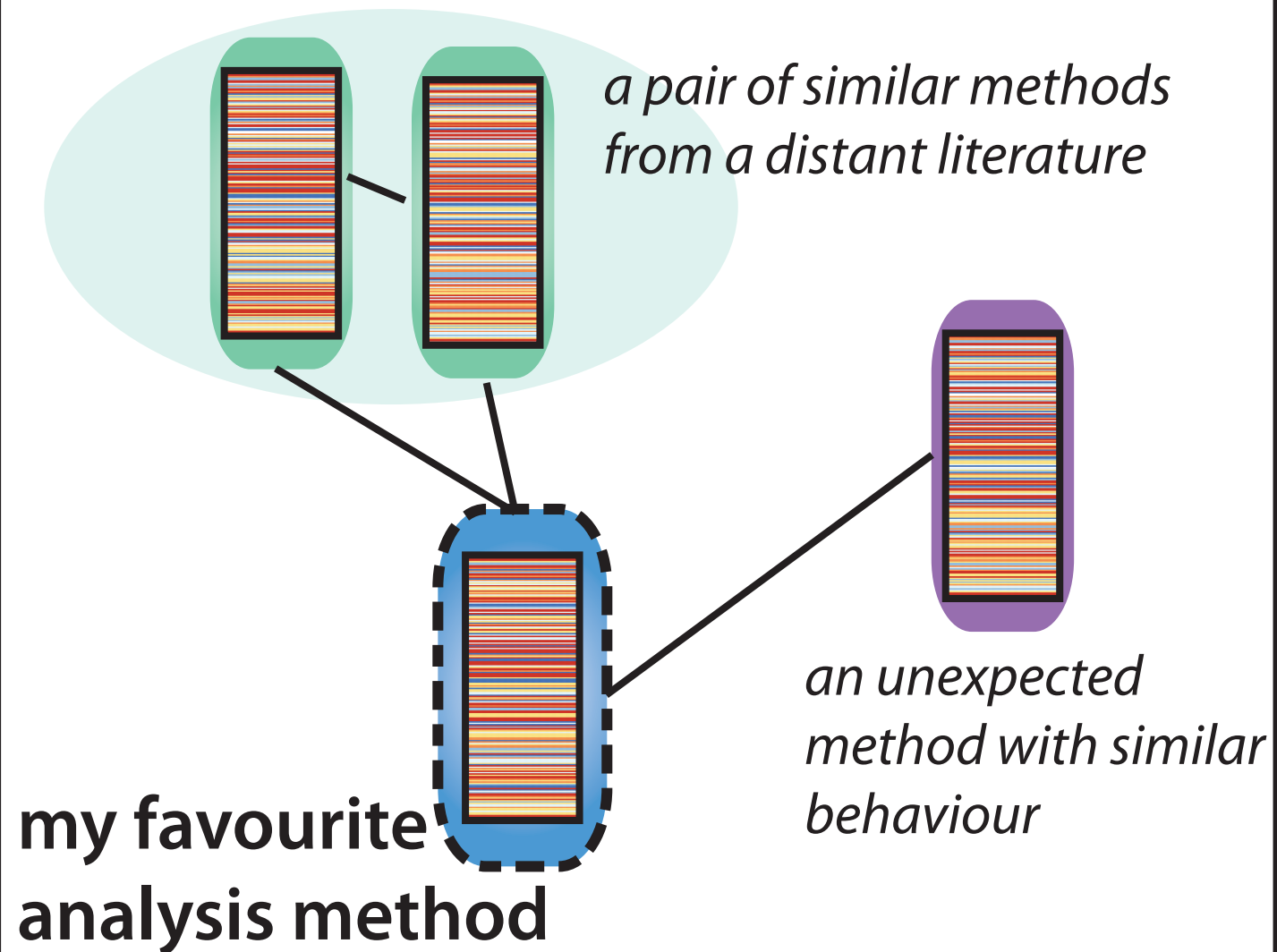
= time series of type 'green'
*captures properties measured
by diverse scientific methods*



= operation of type 'blue'
*captures behaviour across a range
of empirical time series*

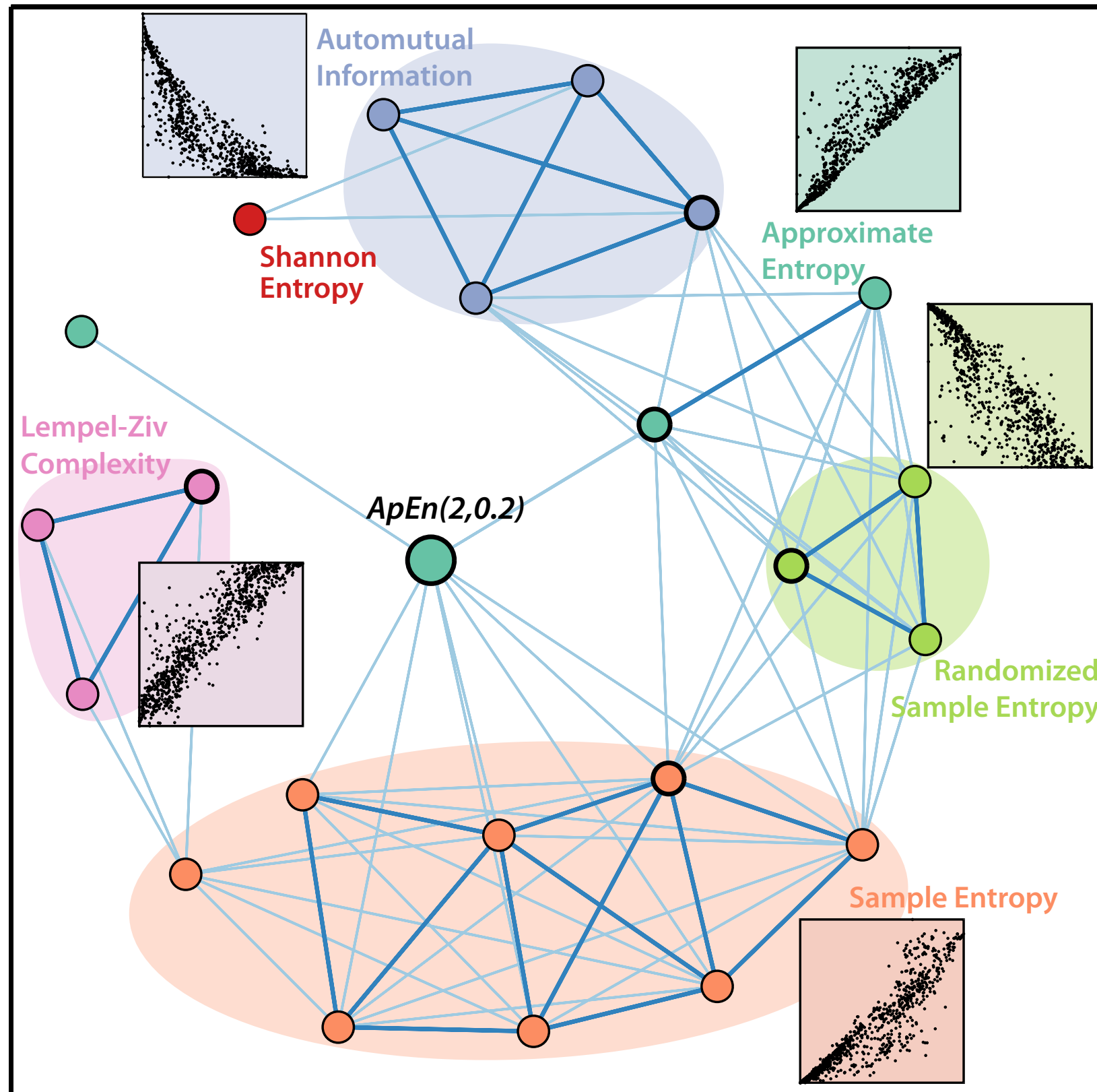
Organizing our methods

Which time-series analysis methods are similar to the methods I use?



Connects scientific methods using their empirical behaviour

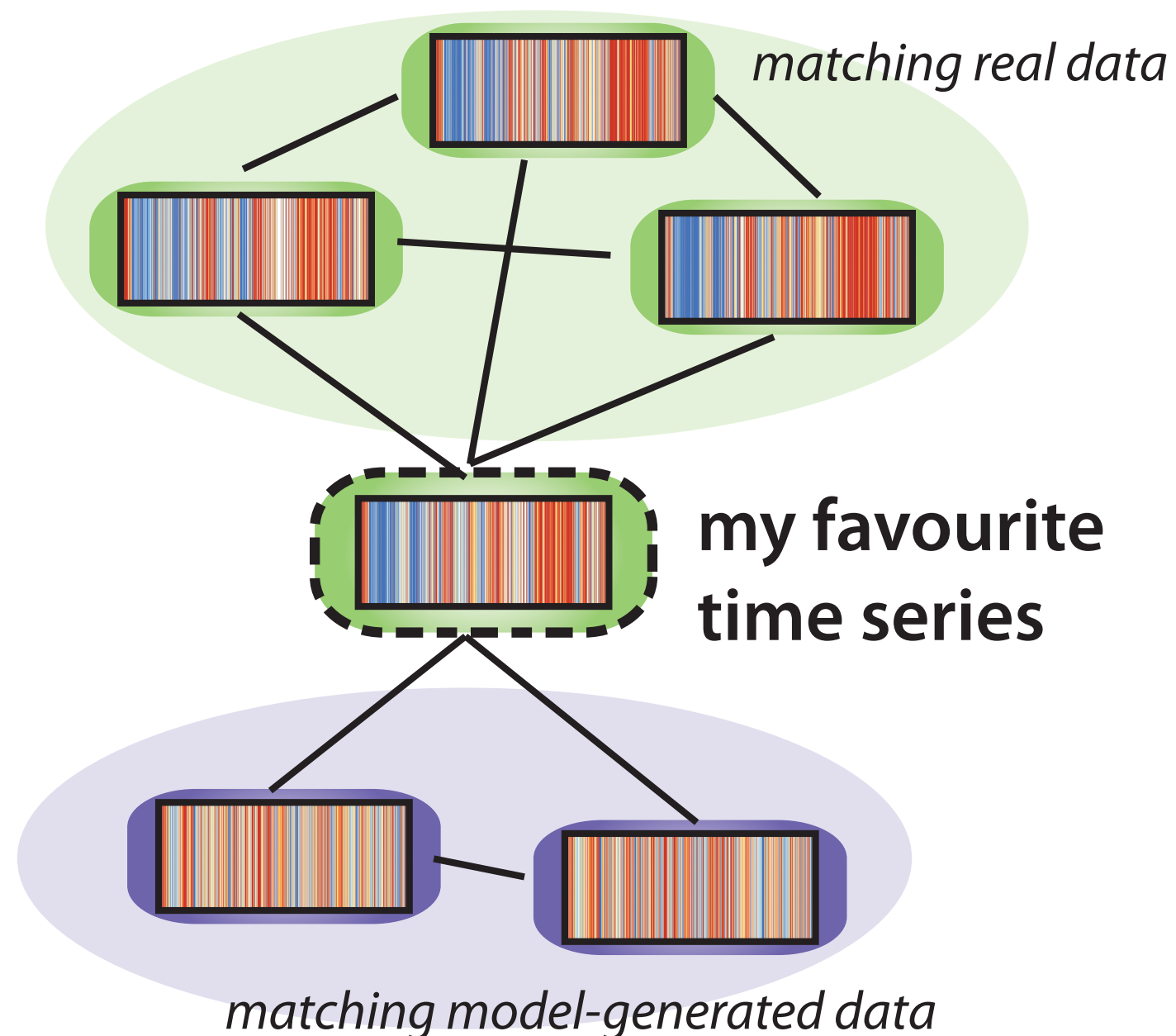
Local neighborhoods

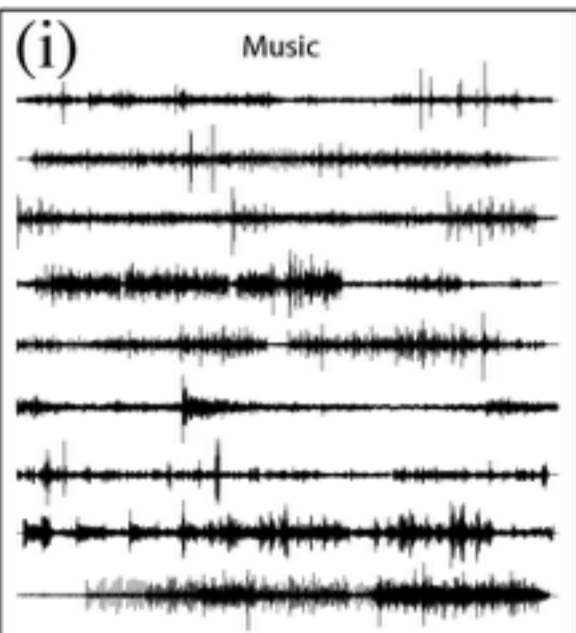
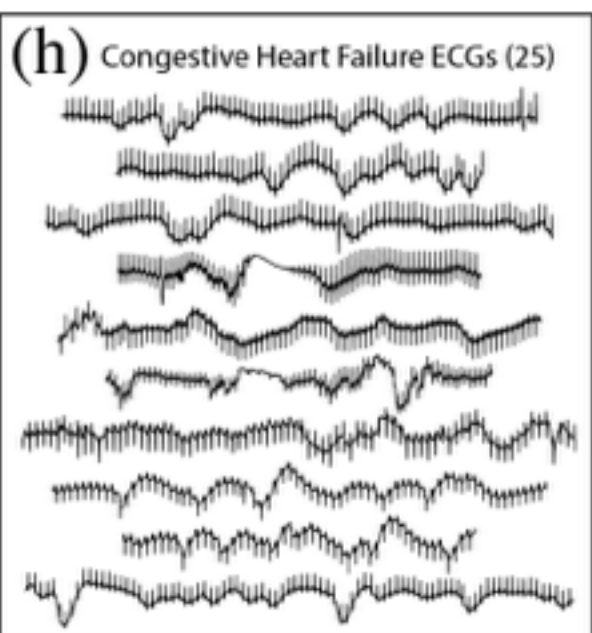
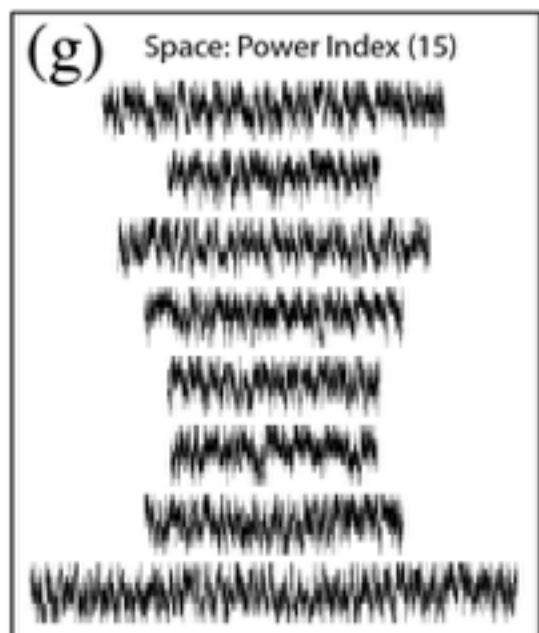
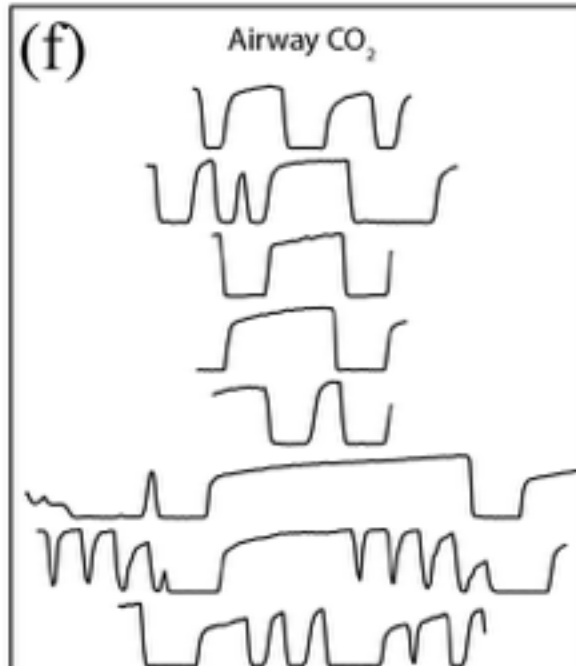
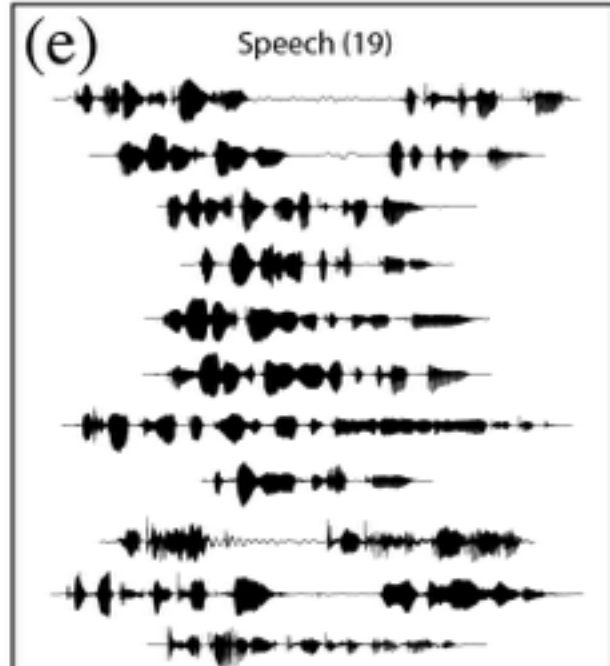
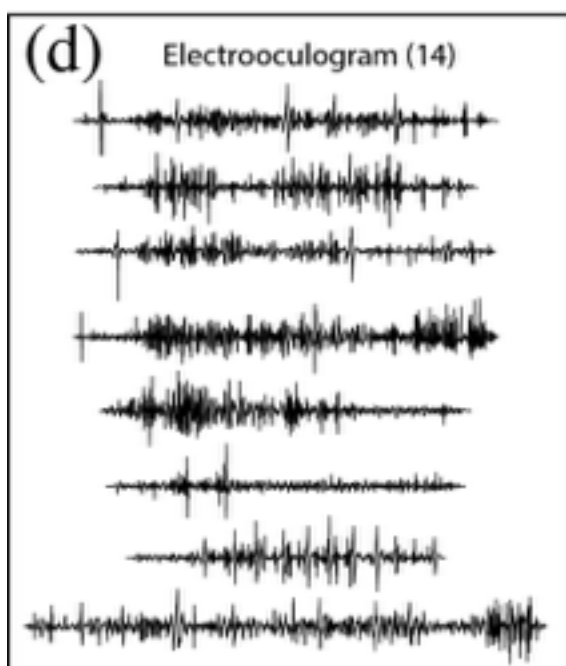
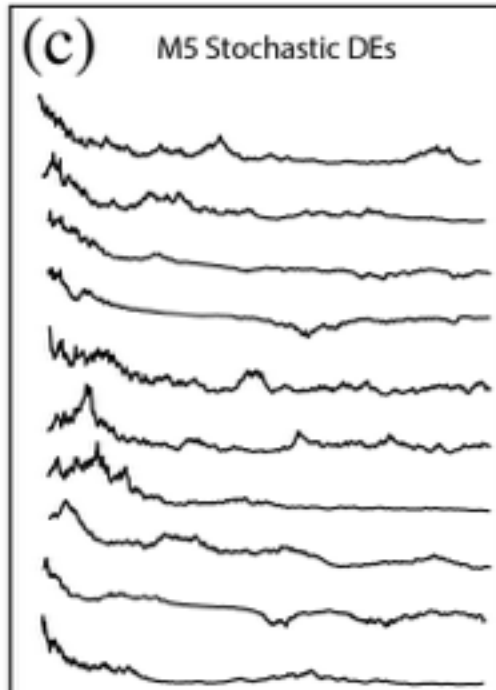
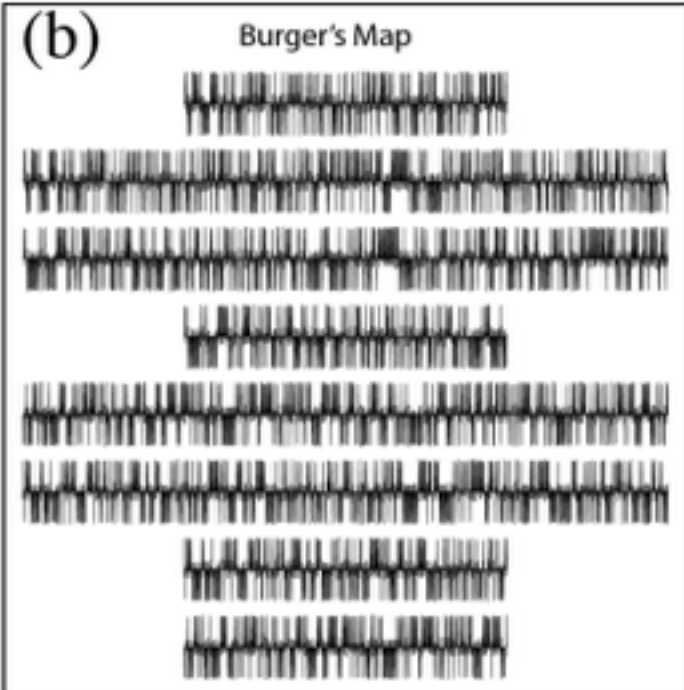
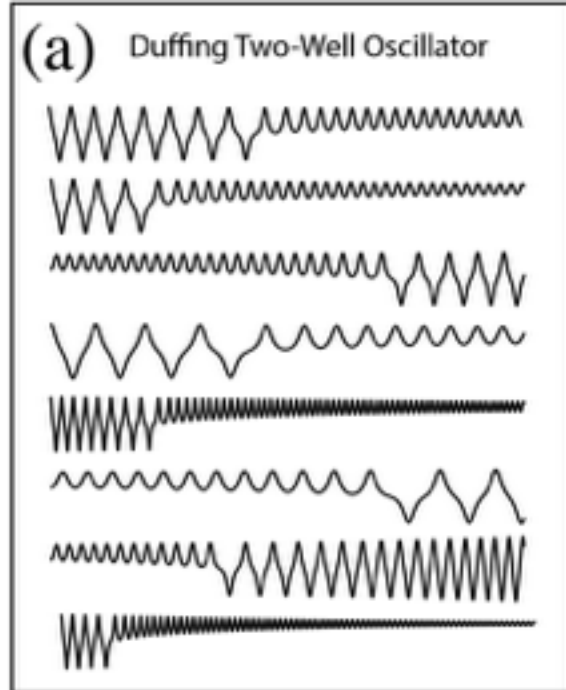


Automatically find interdisciplinary connections between our methods for time-series analysis

Organizing our data

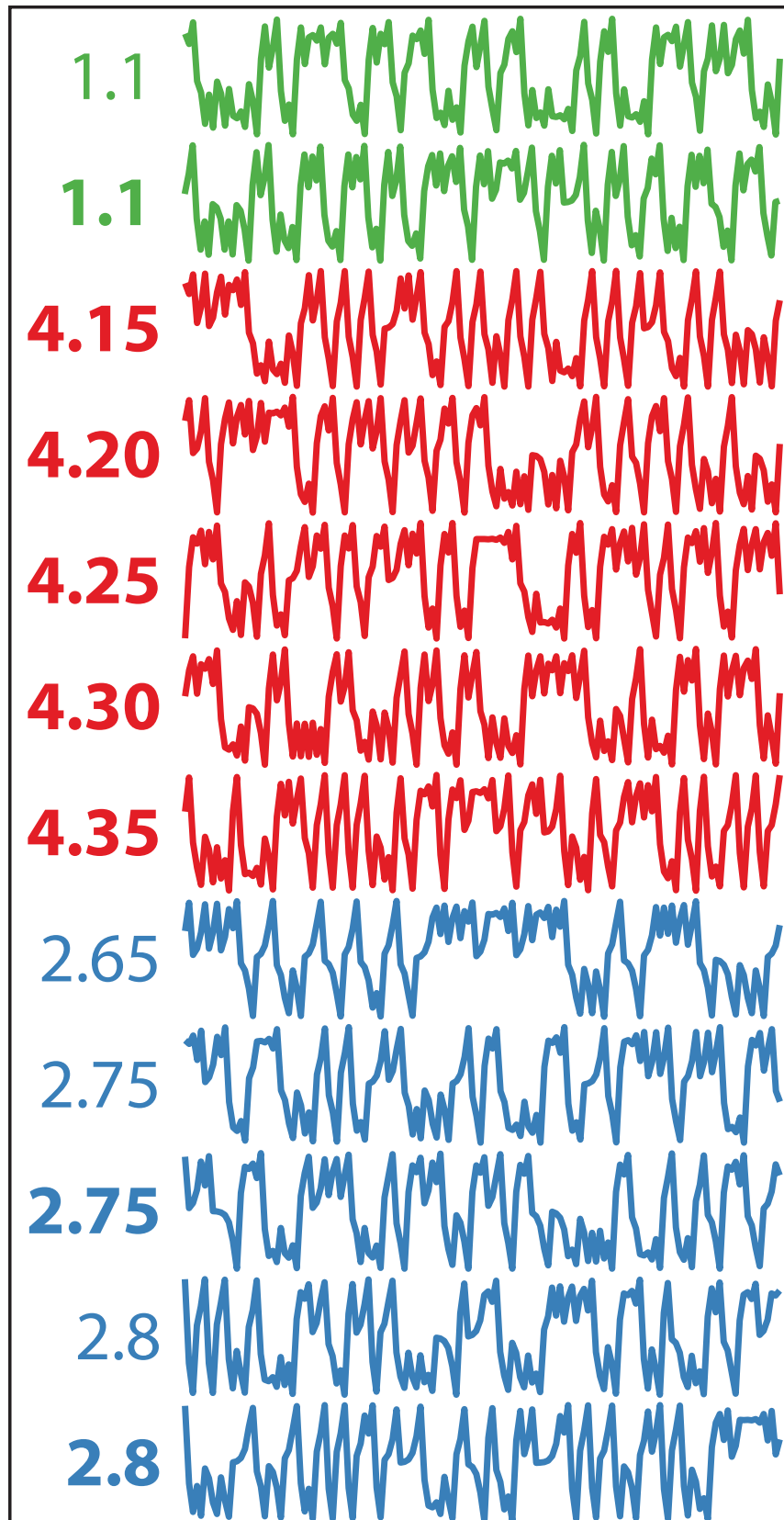
What types of real-world and model-generated time series are similar to my data?





*Clusters of time series
group systems
with common
dynamics*

A time-series cluster:



Sine map

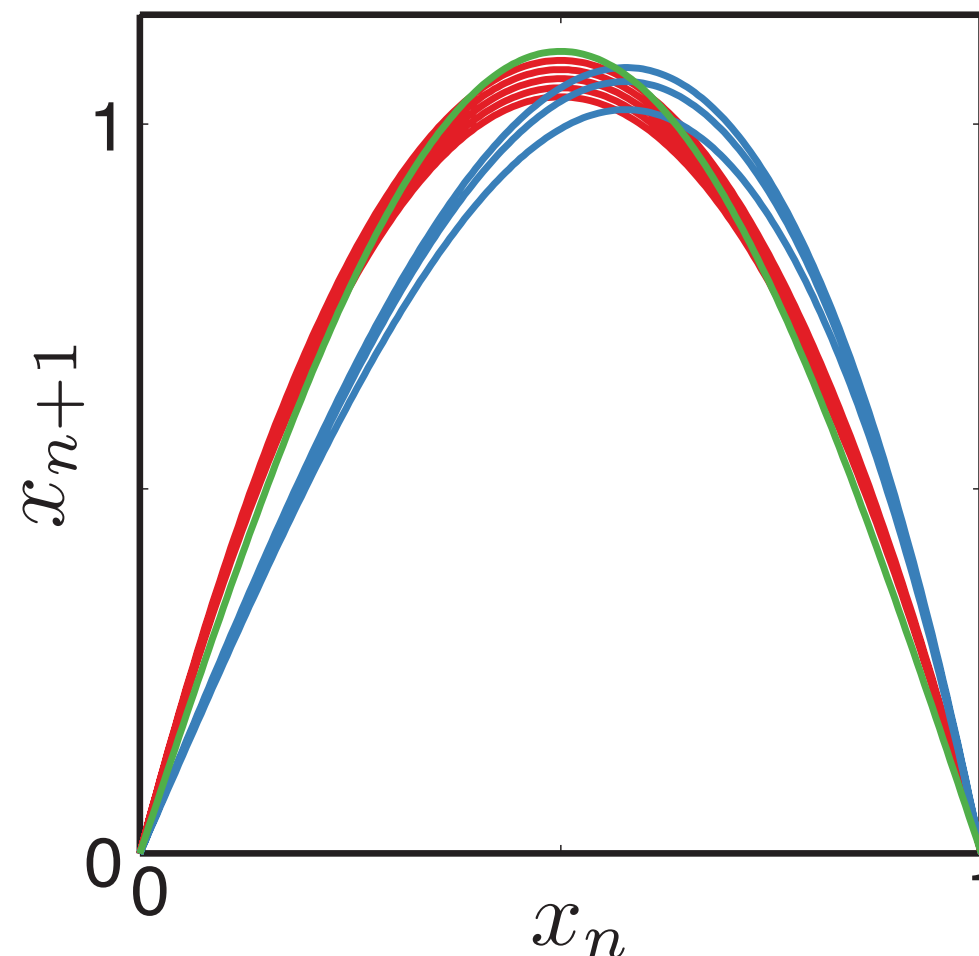
$$x_{n+1} = A \sin(\pi x_n)$$

Asymmetric Logistic map

$$x_{n+1} = Ax_n(1 - |x_n|)$$

Cubic map

$$x_{n+1} = Ax_n(1 - x_n^2)$$

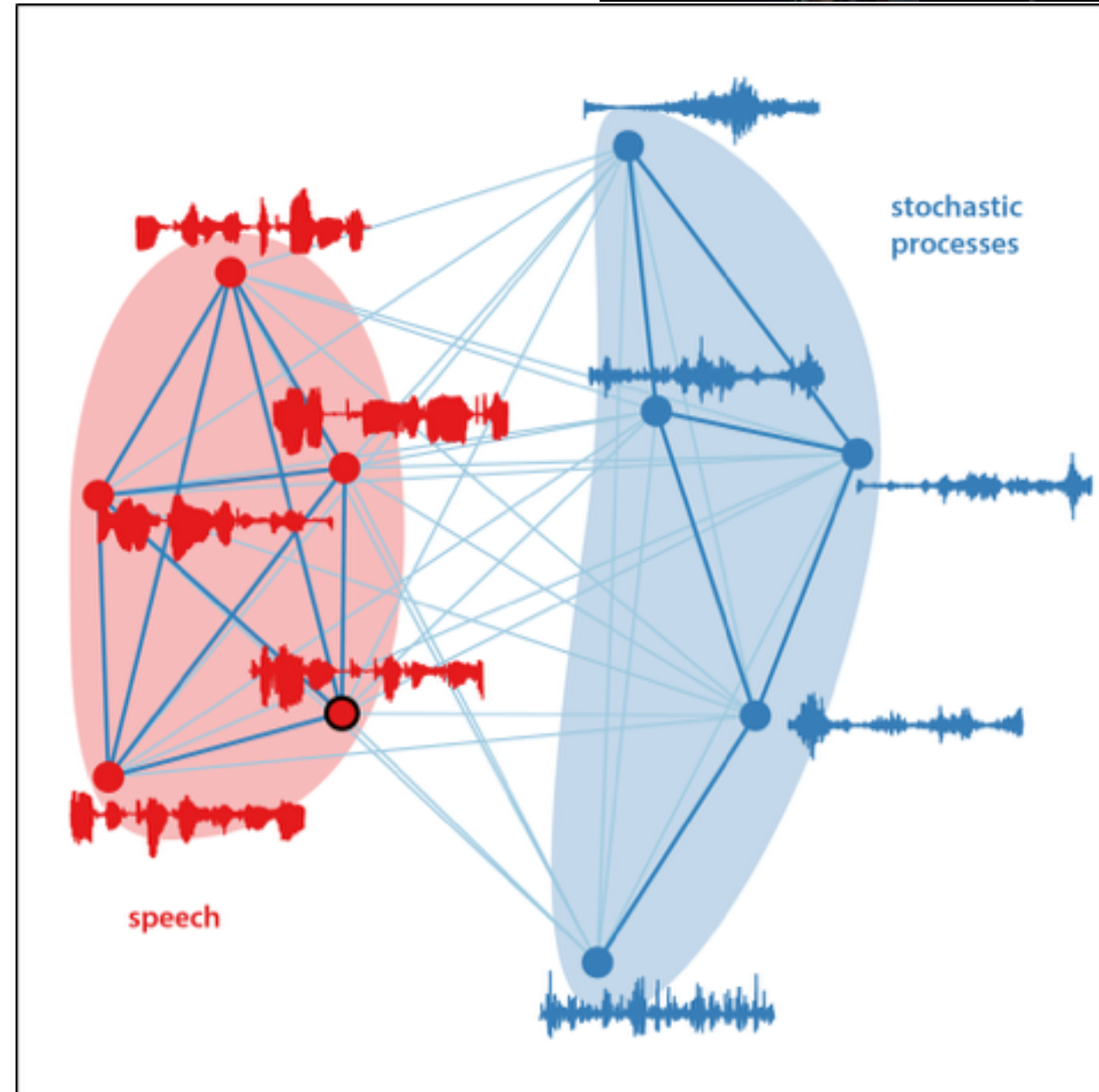
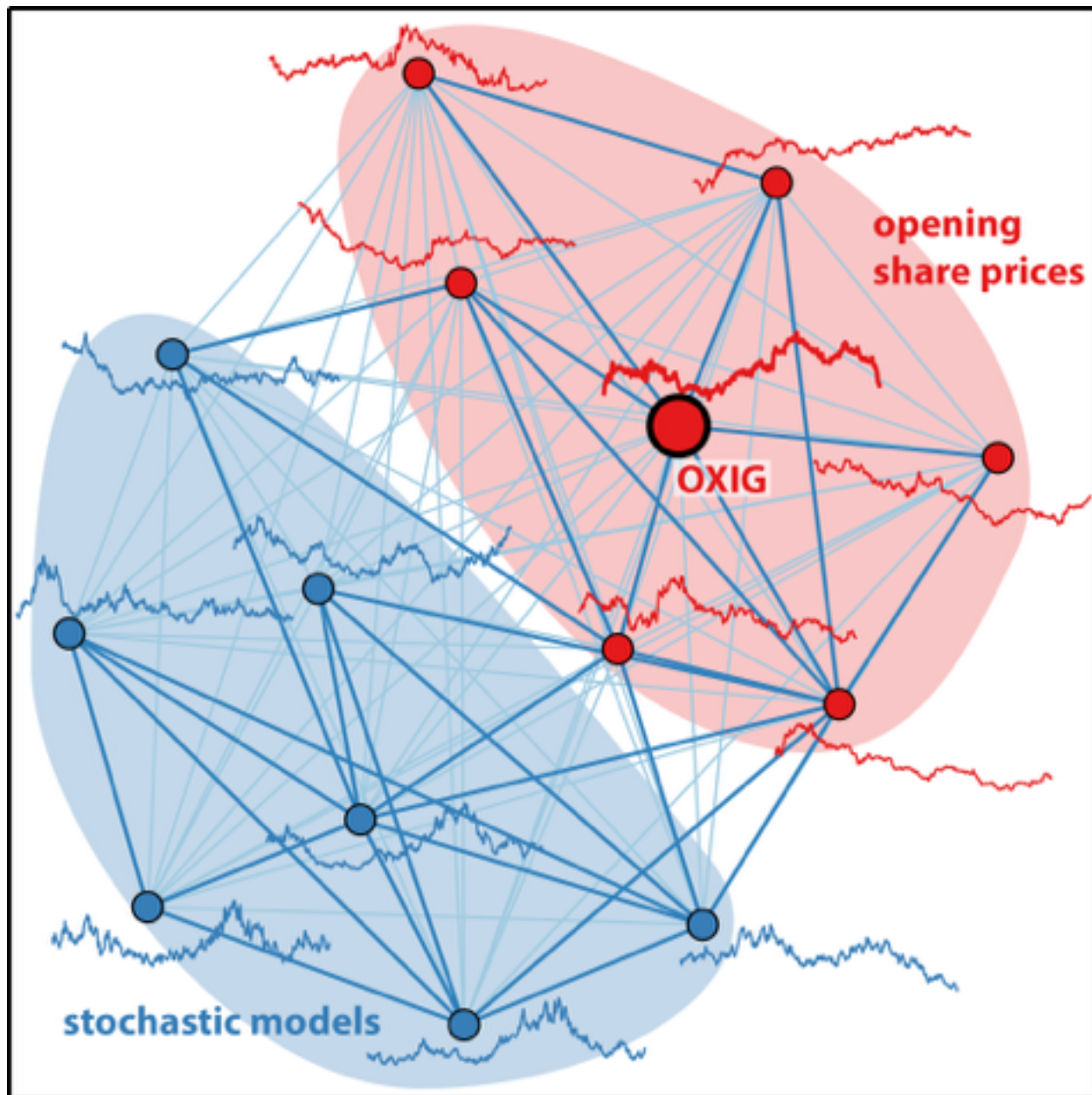


Fishing for data

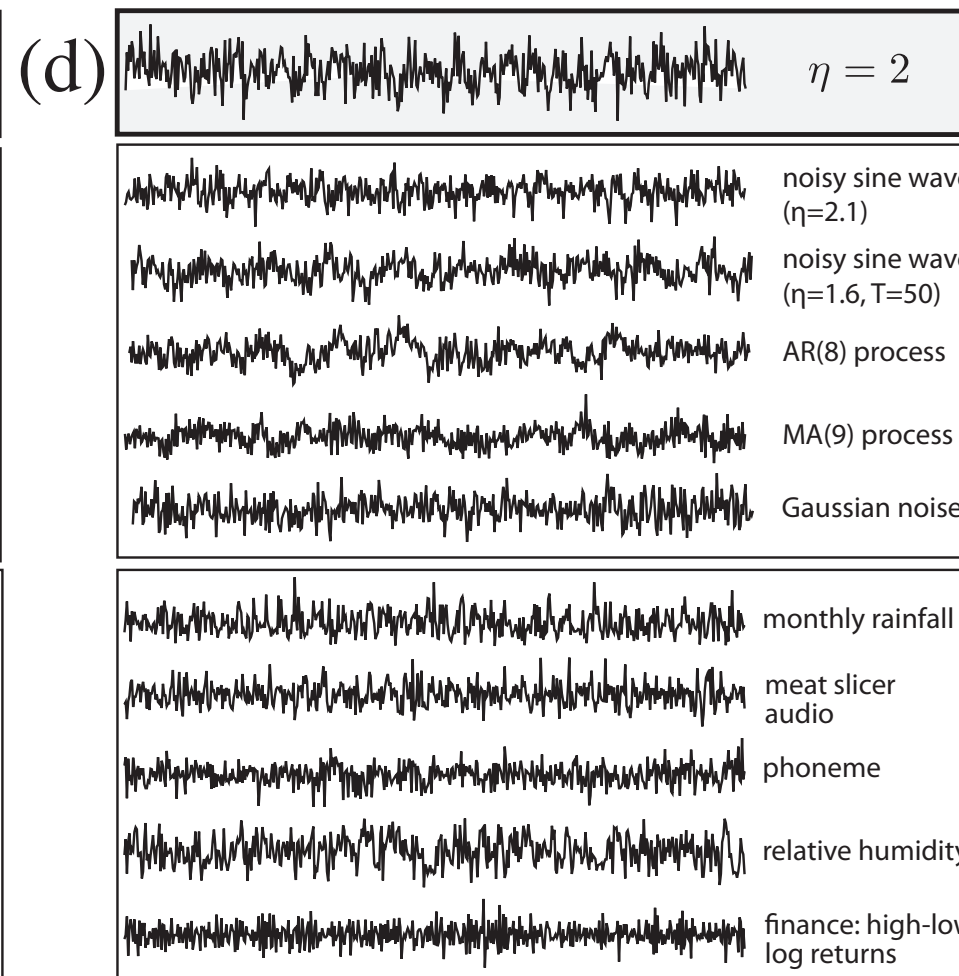
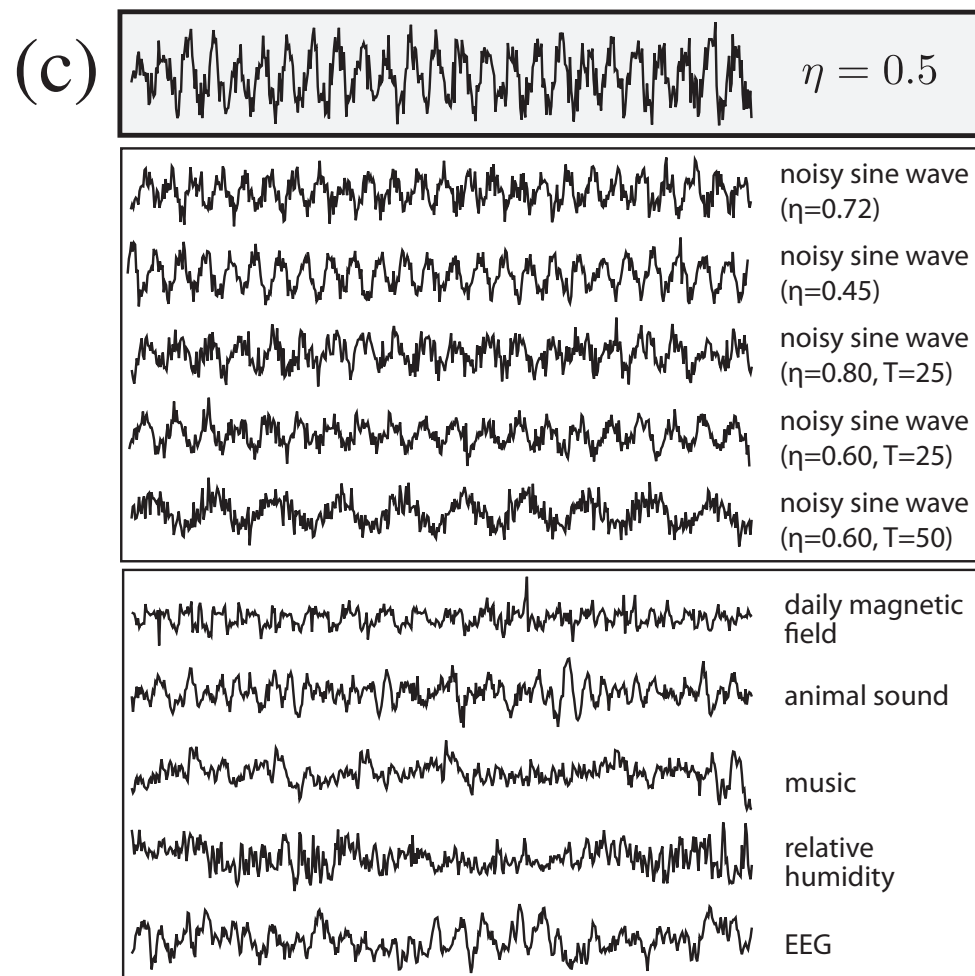
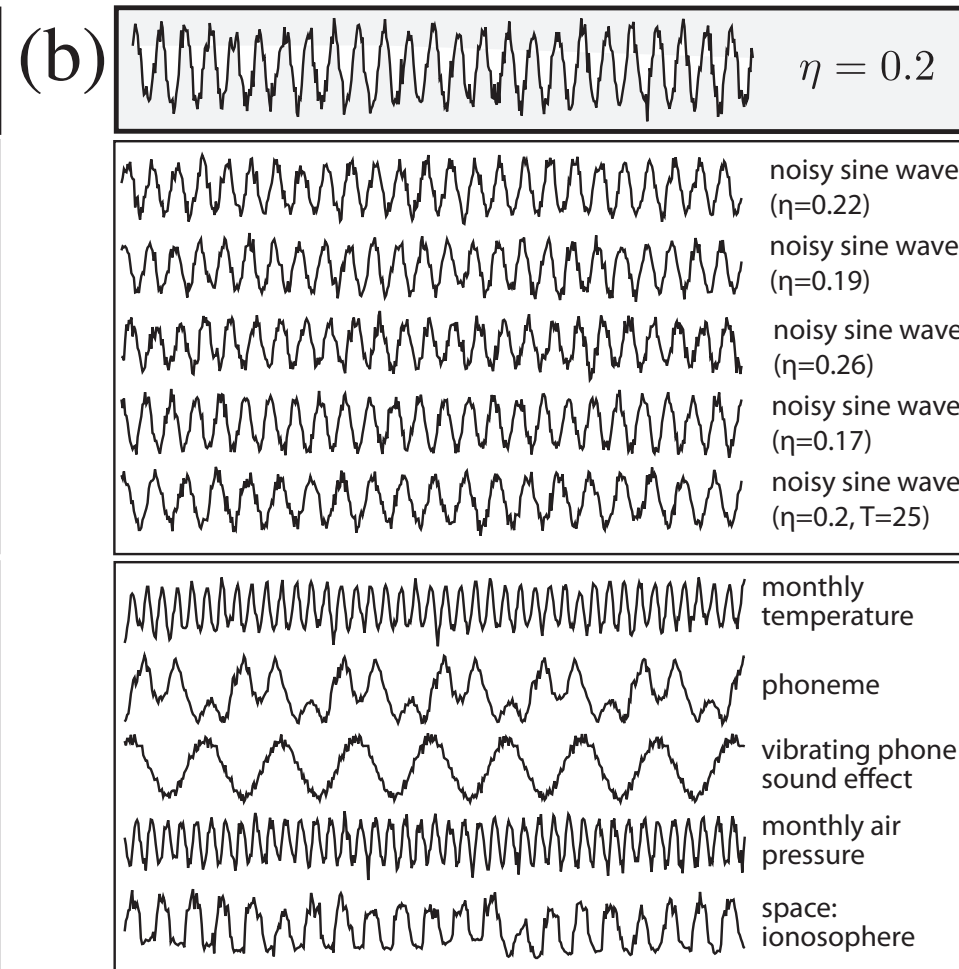
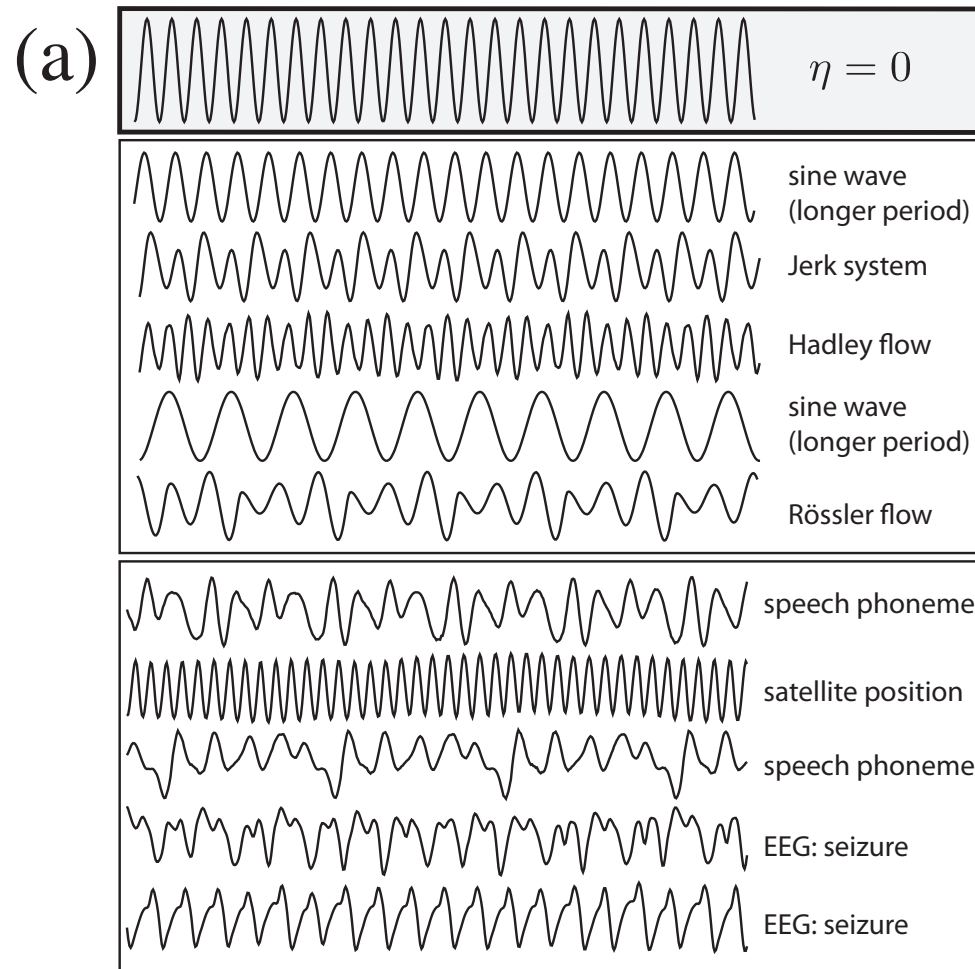
Can gain insights into your data by comparing it to a wealth of data collected in other areas of science



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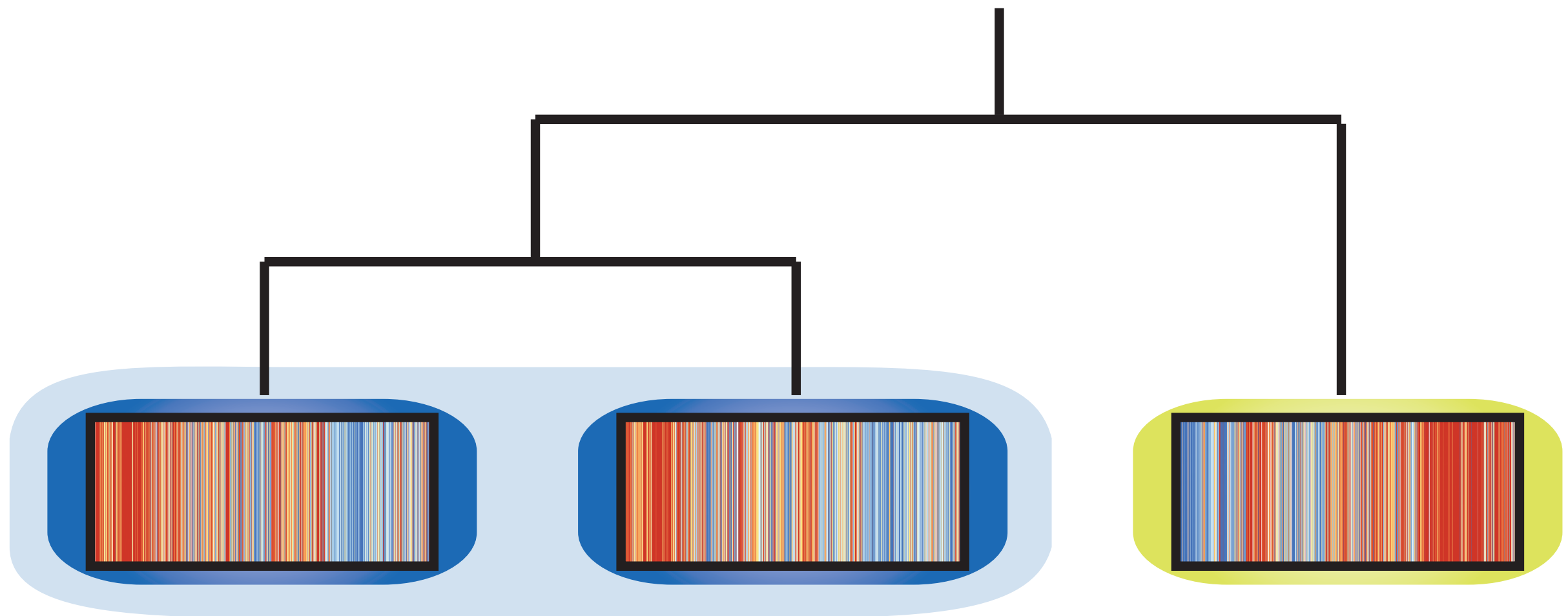


suggest models, or similar real-world processes to our data



*Brings our data
and models
closer
together*

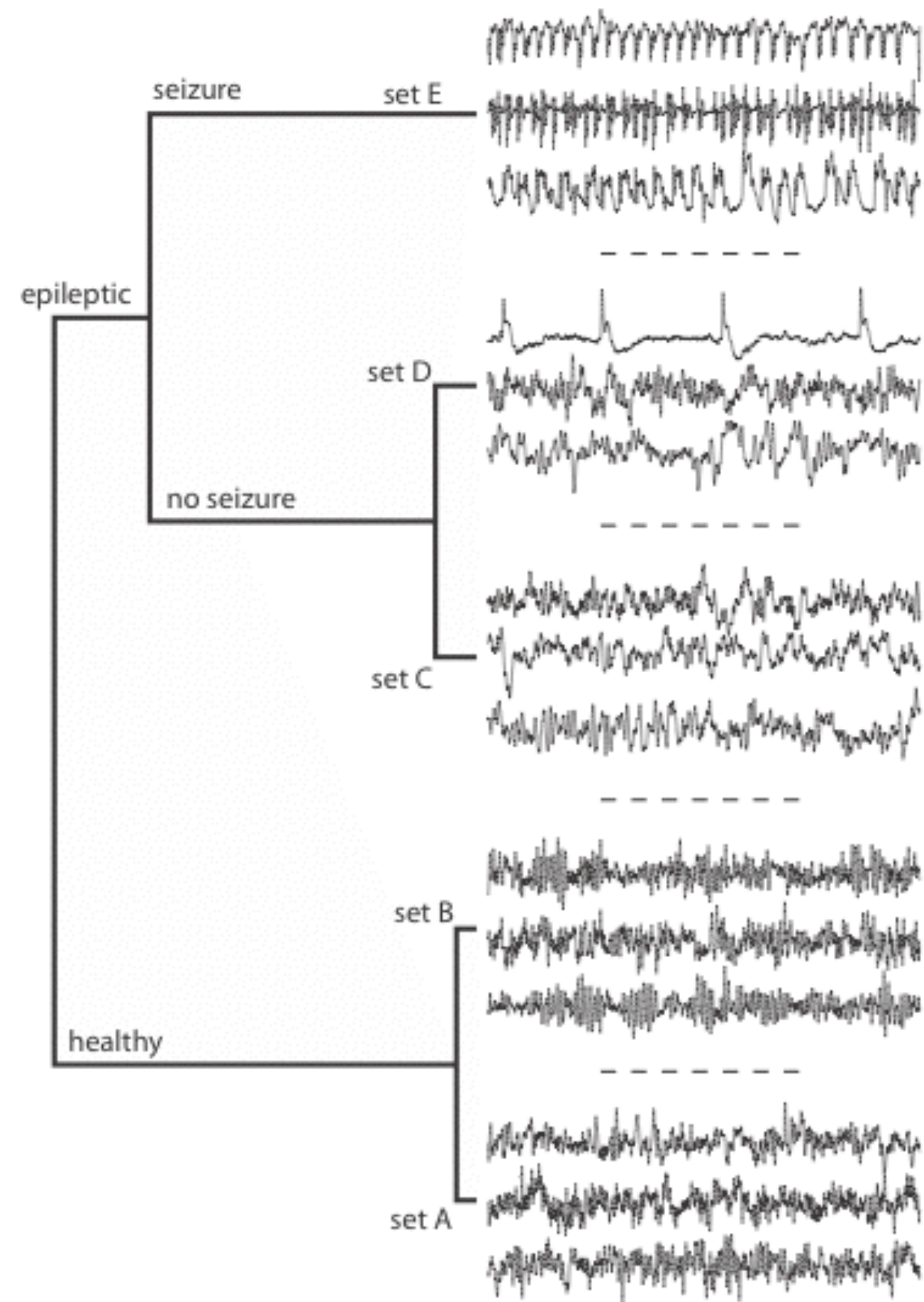
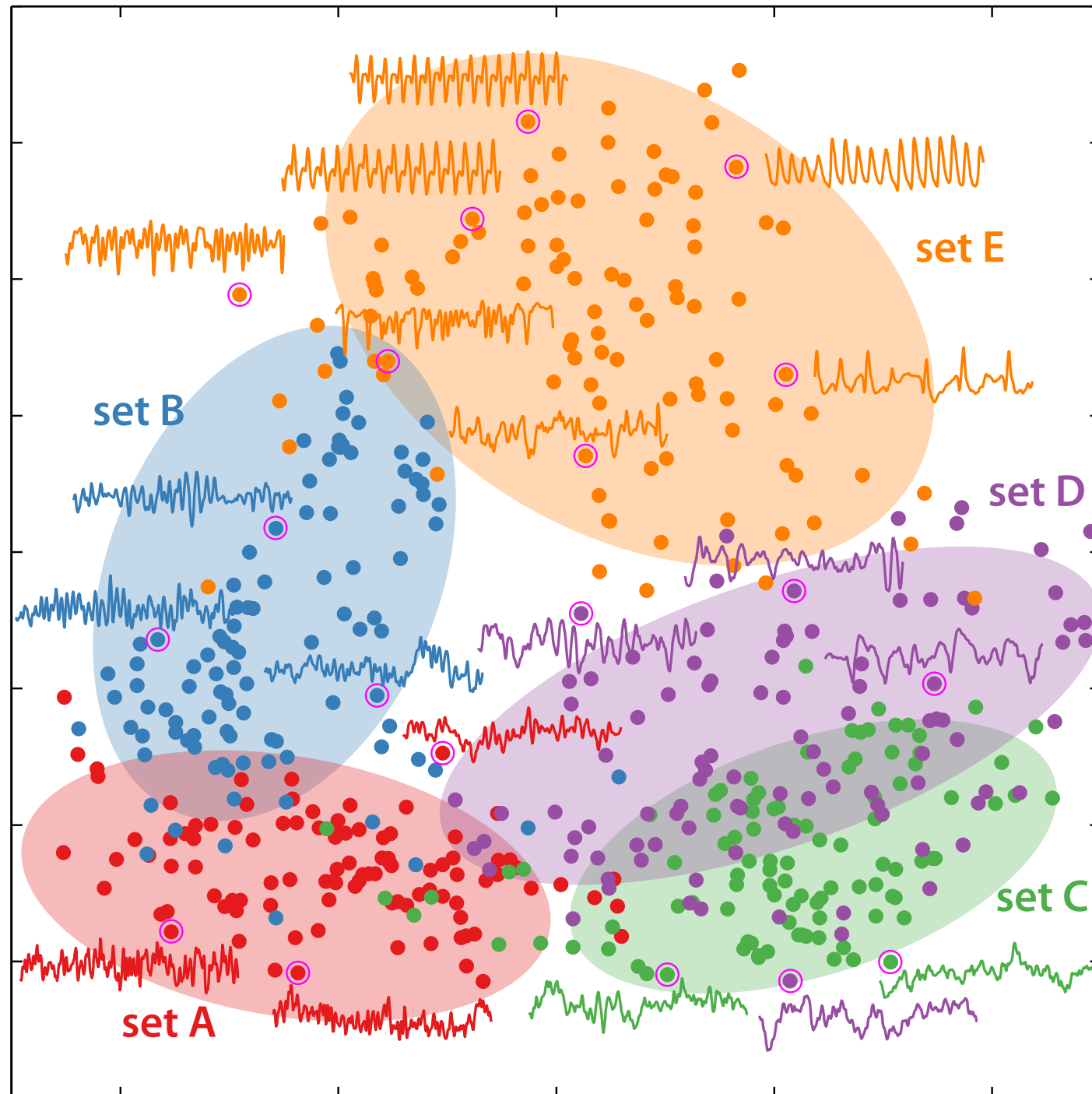
Is there any structure in my time-series dataset?



clusters of similar time series

EEGs

Principal Components projection

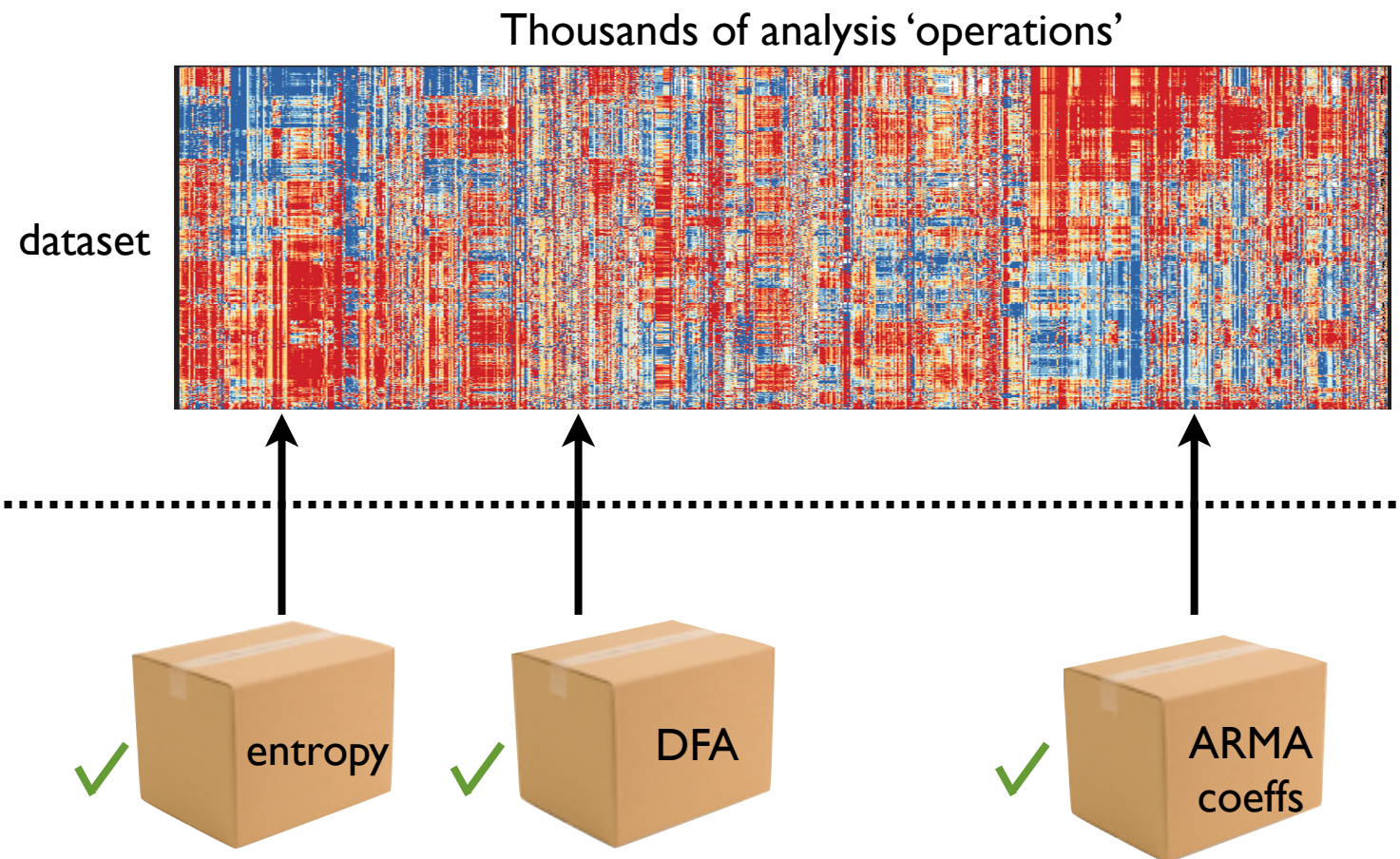


Highly comparative time-series analysis

1. Compute and compare thousands of analysis methods

2. Select methods that perform well on your data

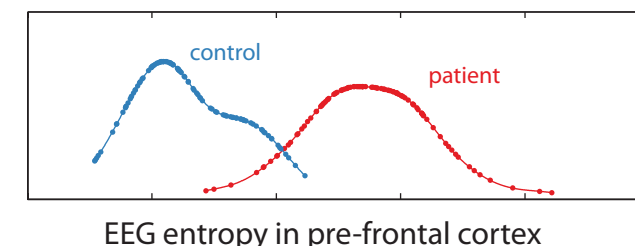
3. Interpret new methods to gain insights into your data



“Signals from the patient group are less predictable”

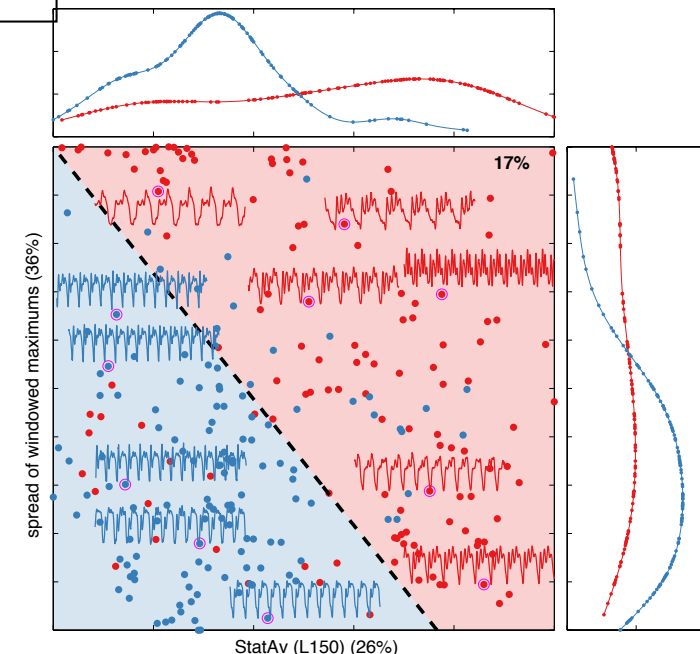
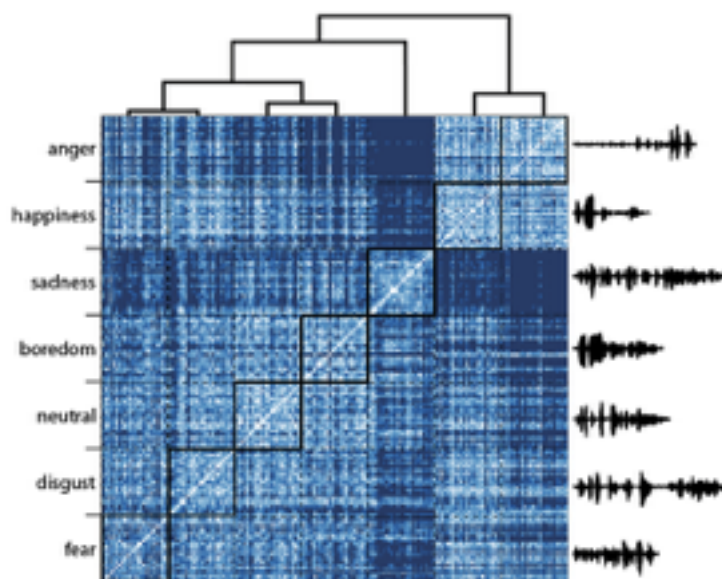
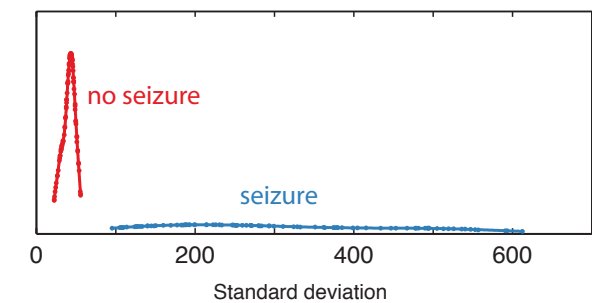
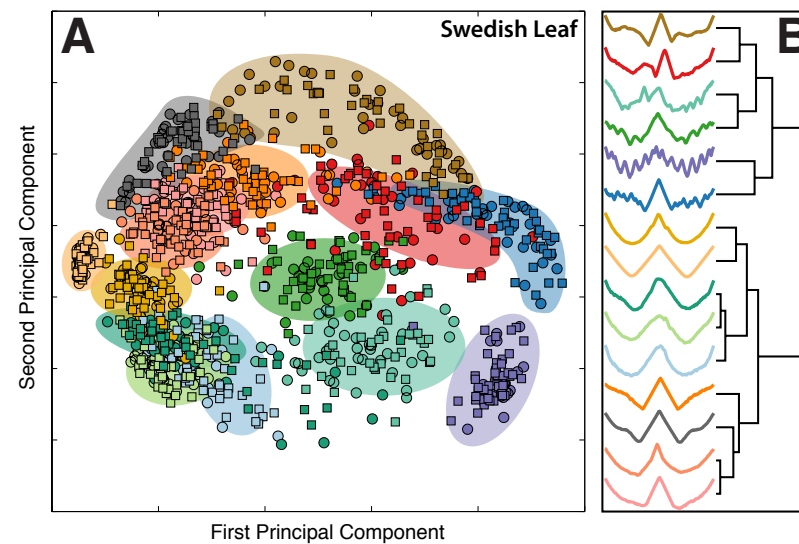
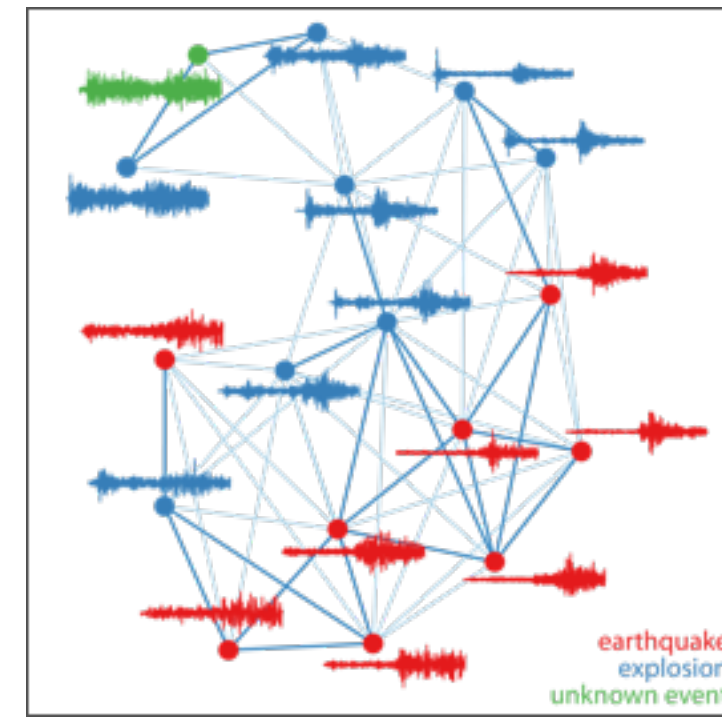
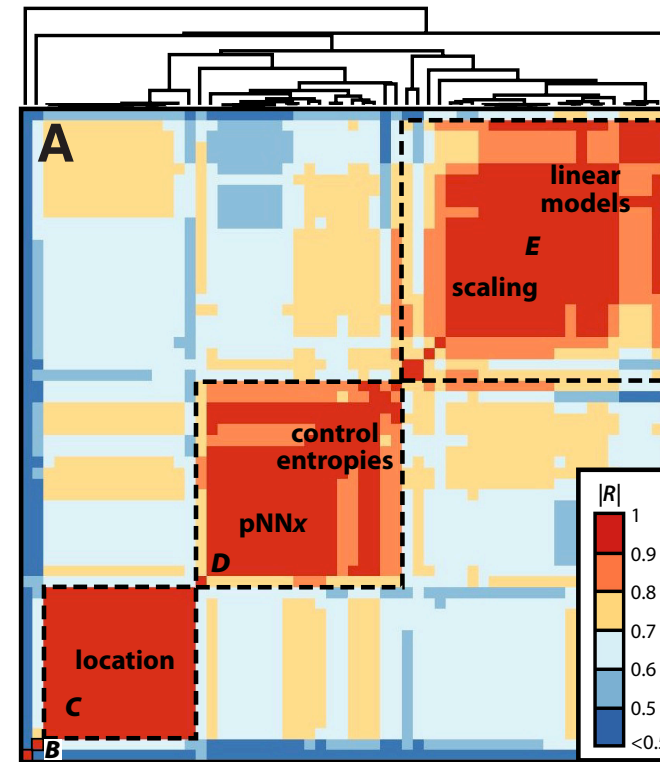
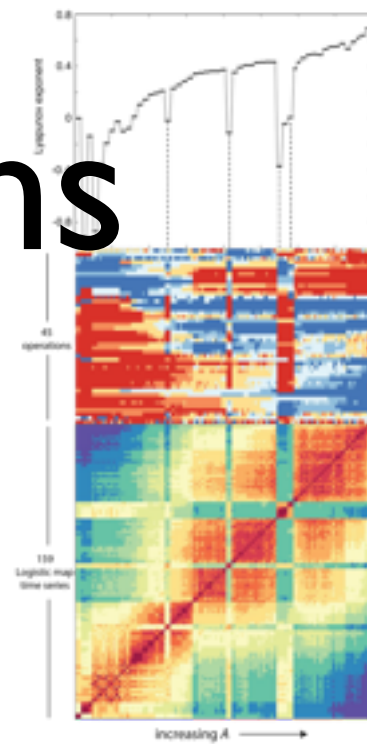
“Single neuron recordings from region X have more outliers and intermittent fluctuations”

“ ”
...



Applications

- Seismic data
- Simulated chaos
- Fetal heart rate
- Heart rate intervals
- Parkinsonian speech
- Epileptic EEGs
- Emotional speech

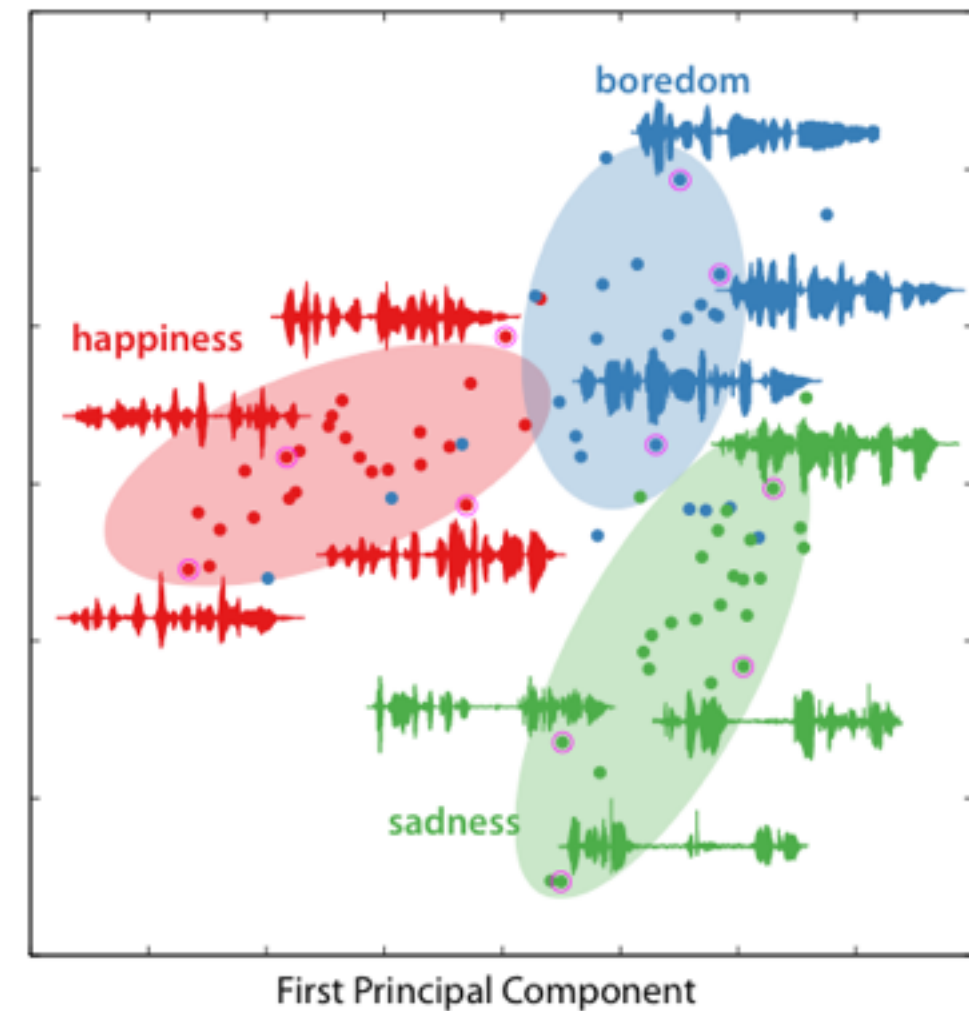
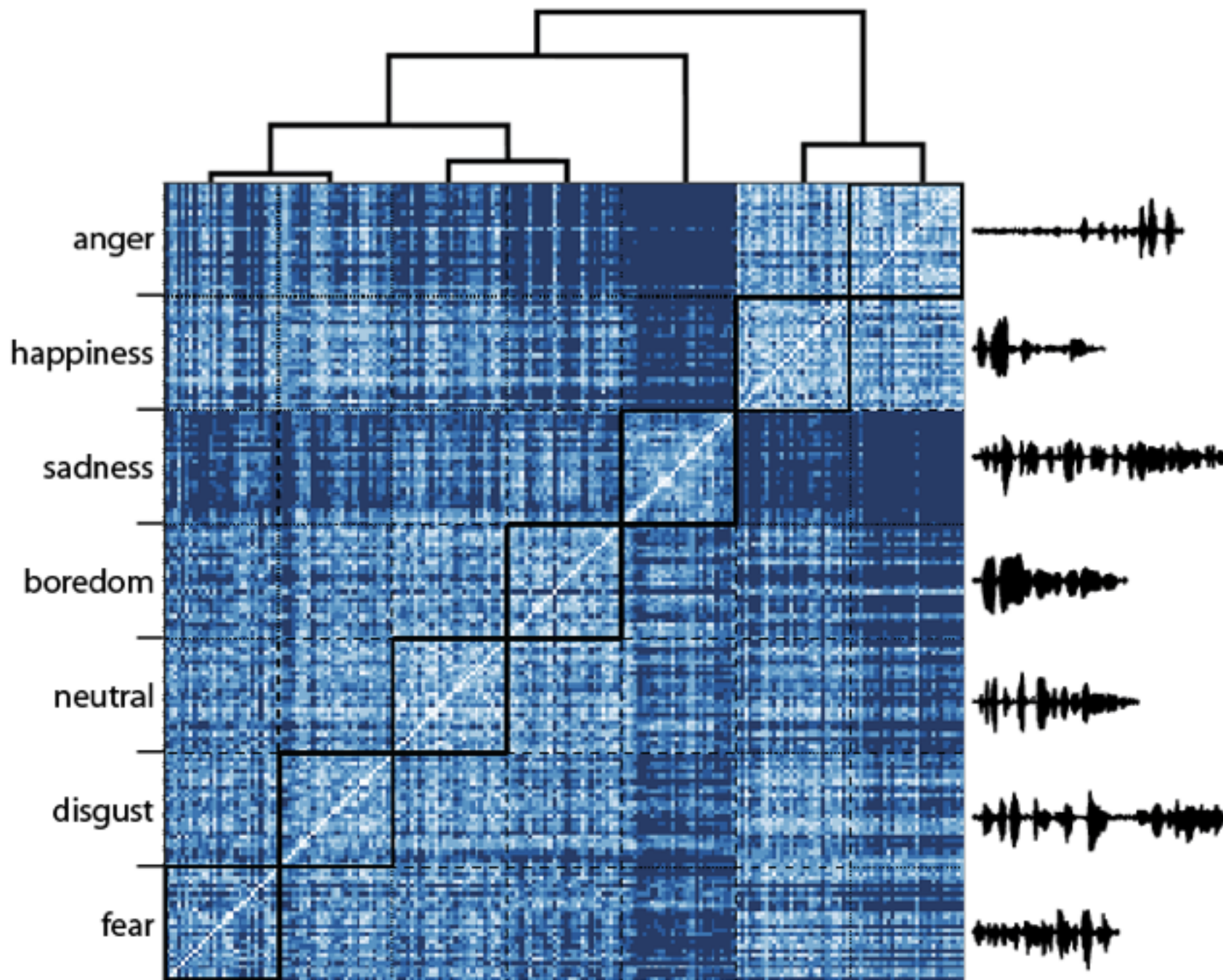


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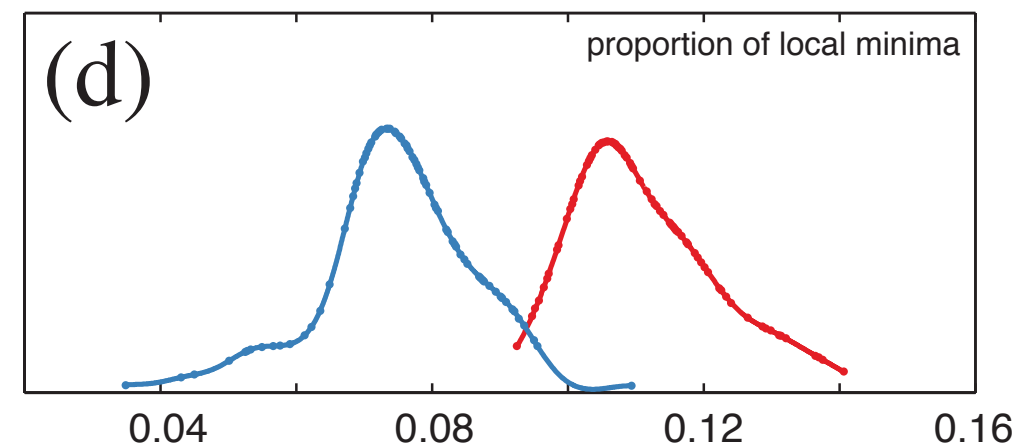
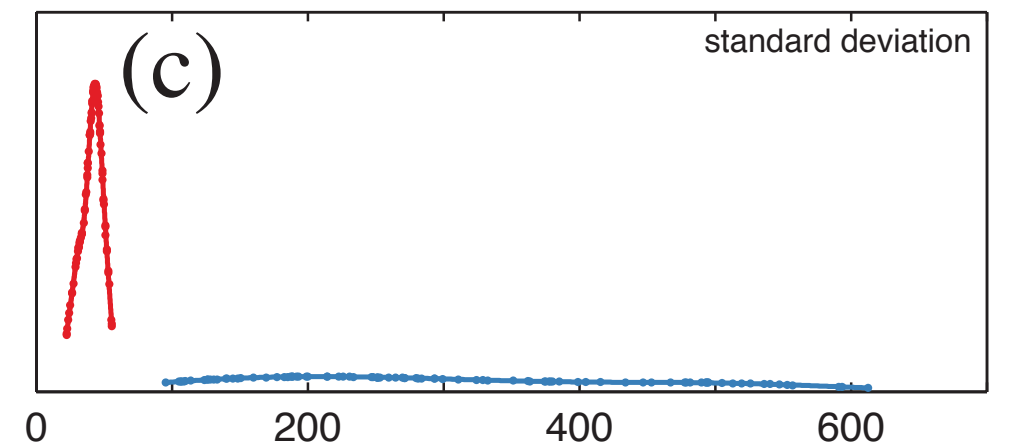
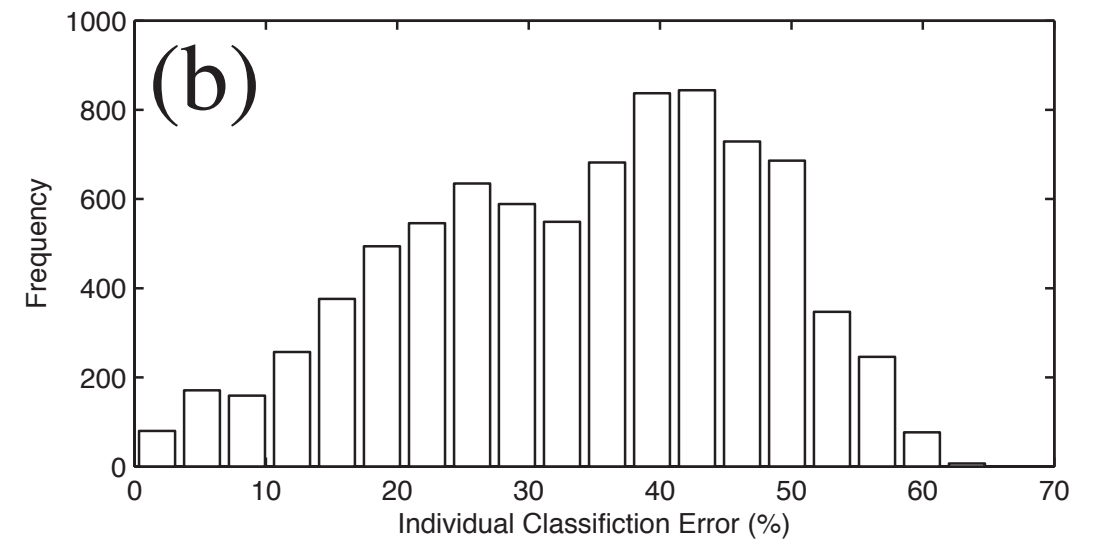
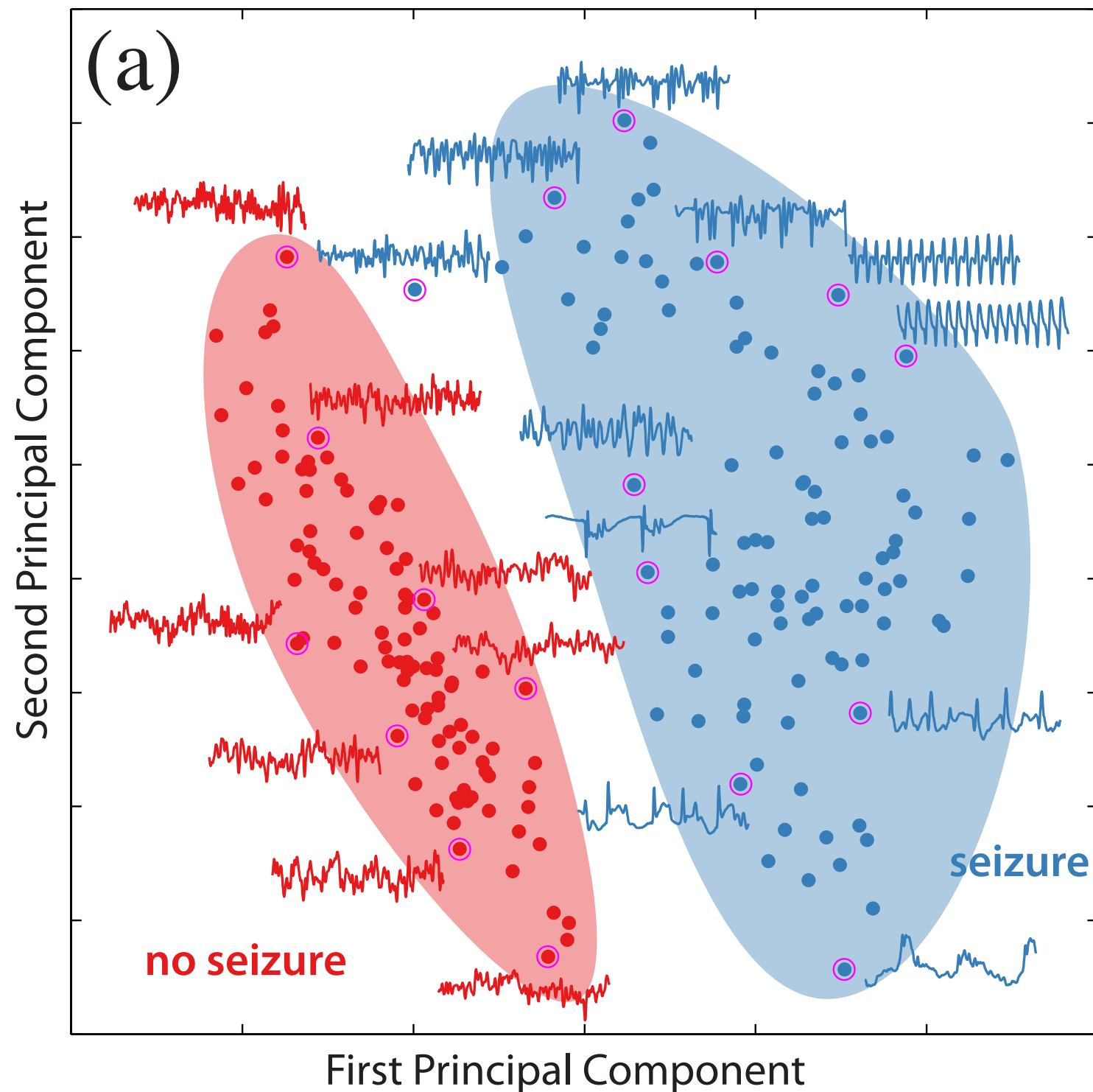
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Identifying emotions in German speech

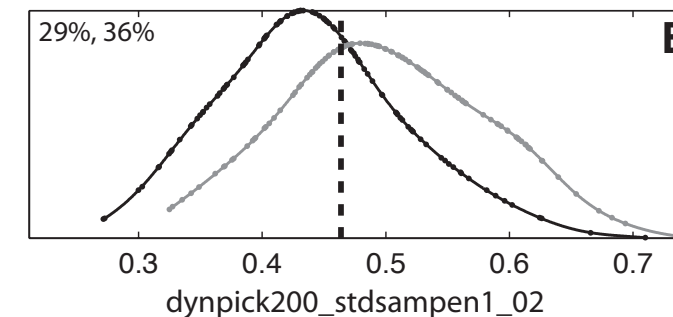
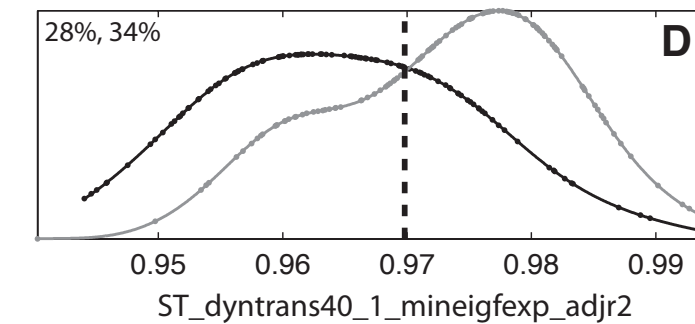
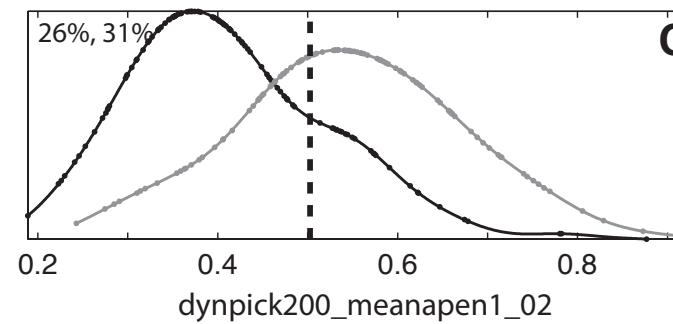
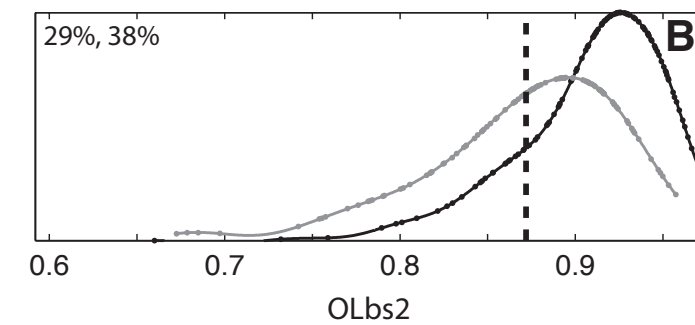
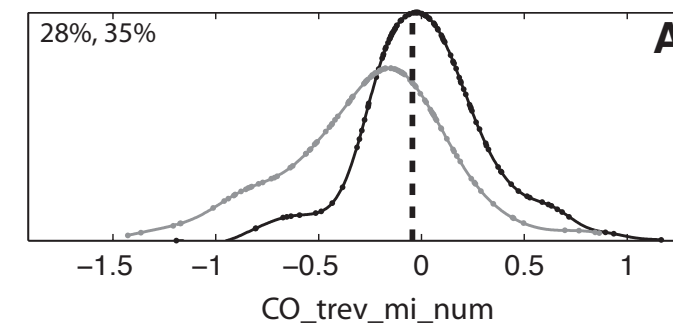
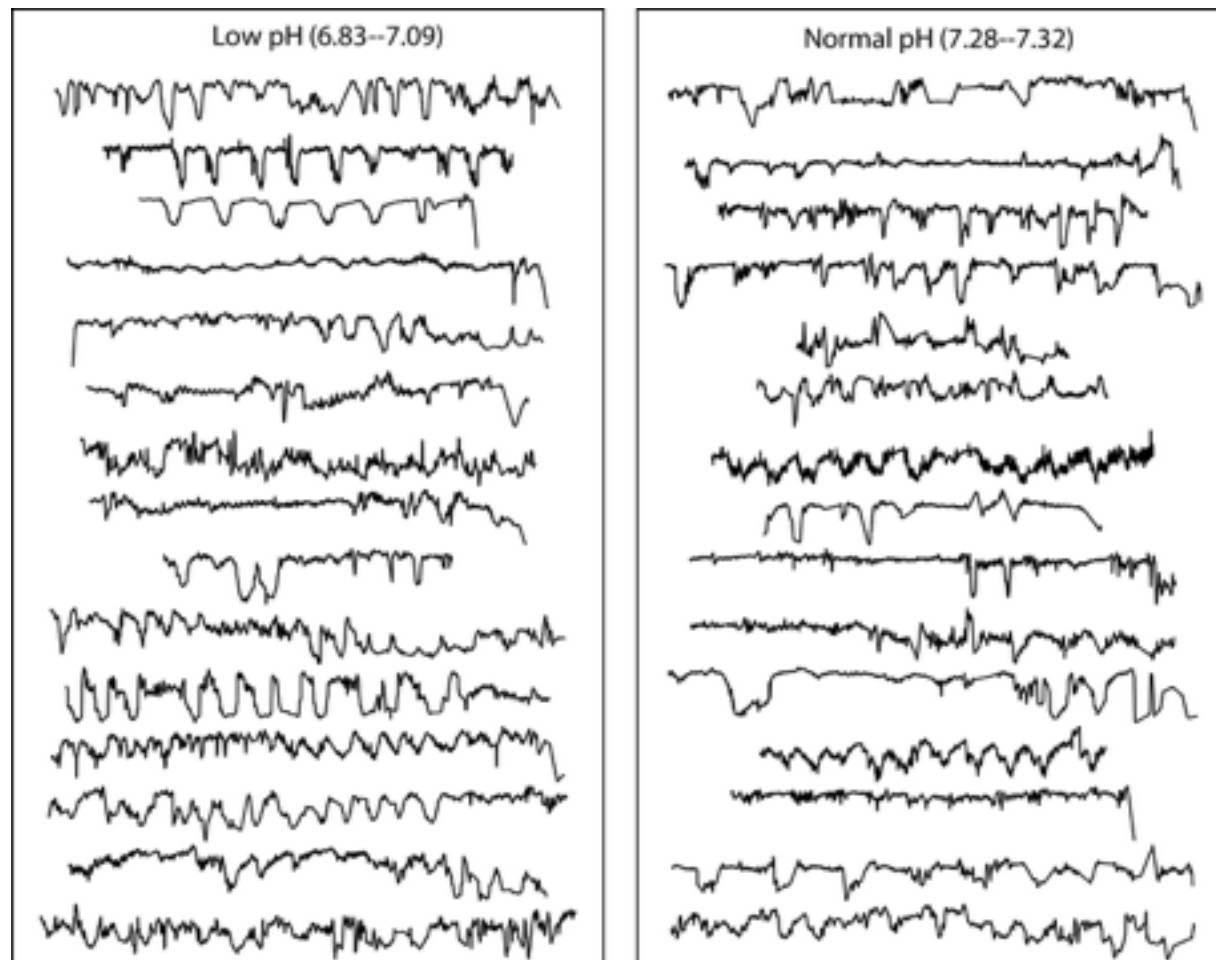
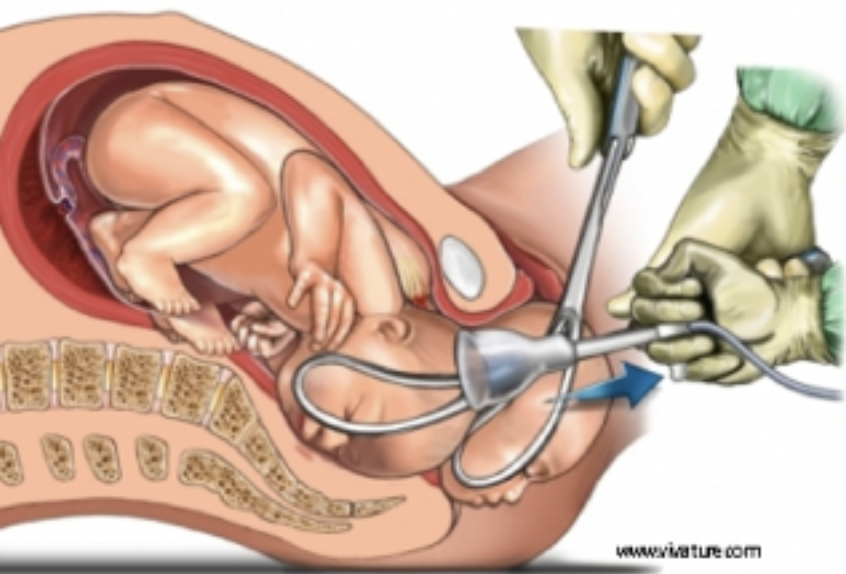


Classifying seizures

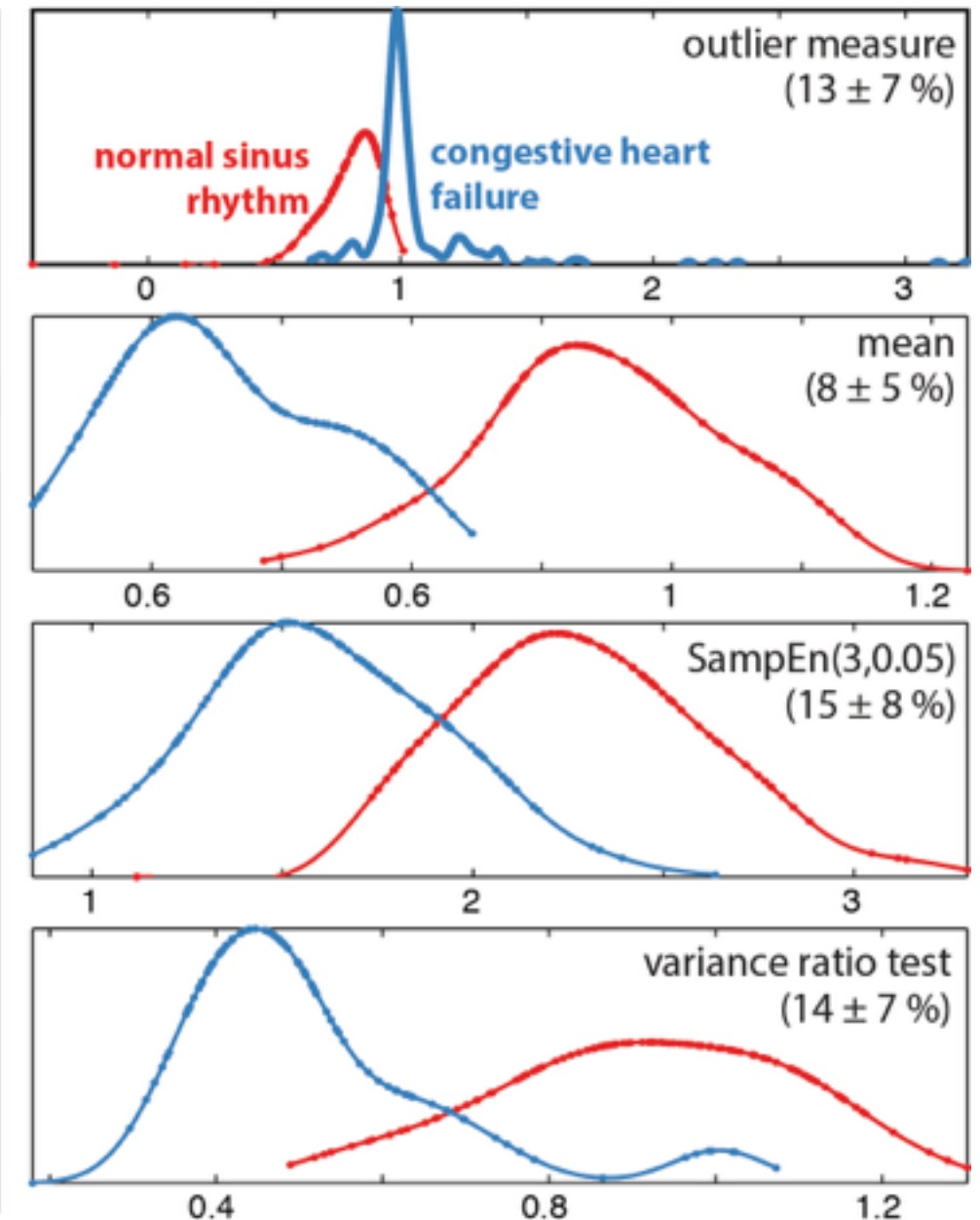
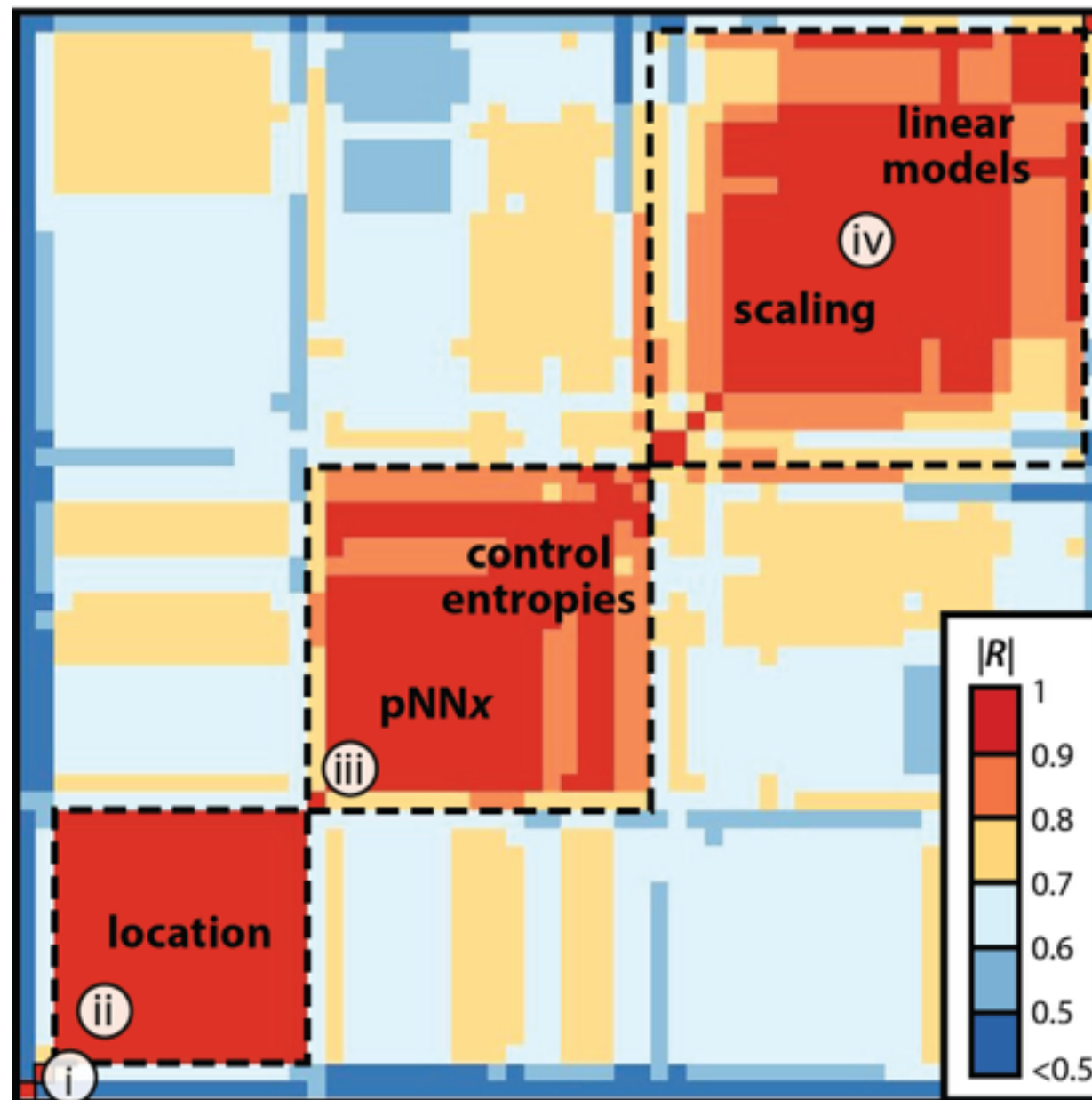
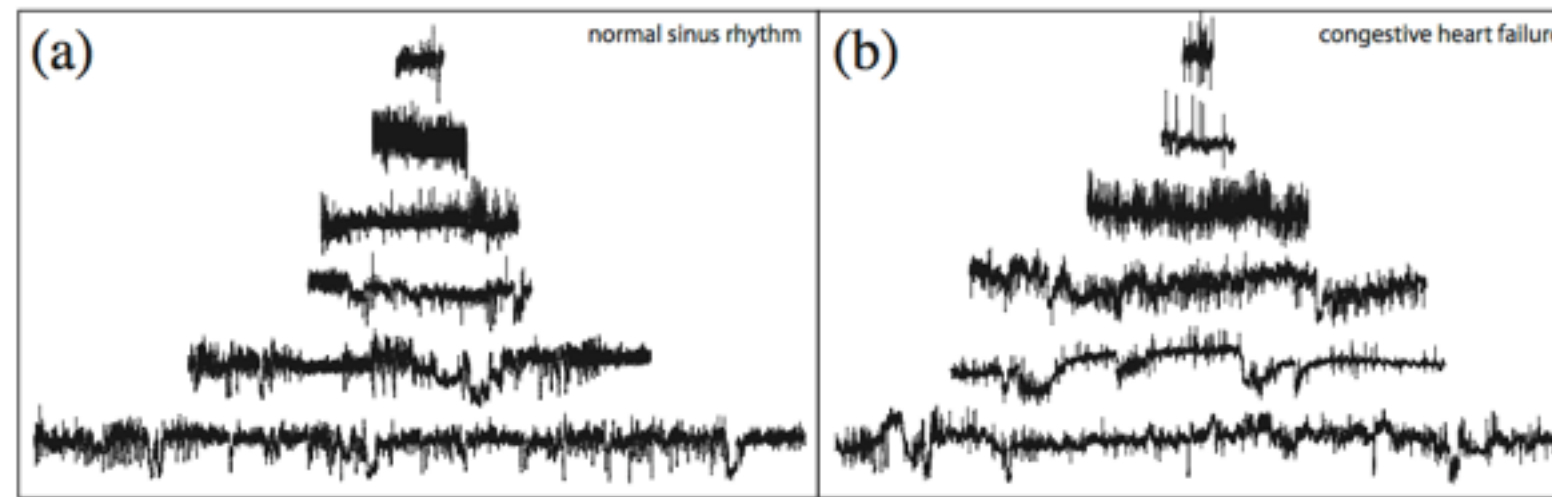


Diagnosis of fetal heart rates

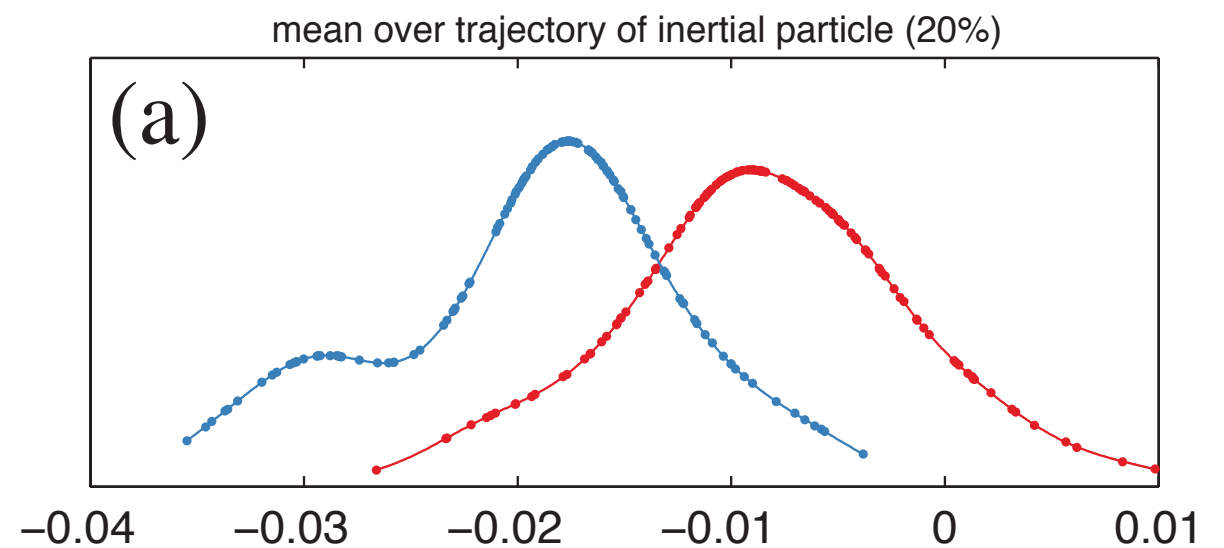
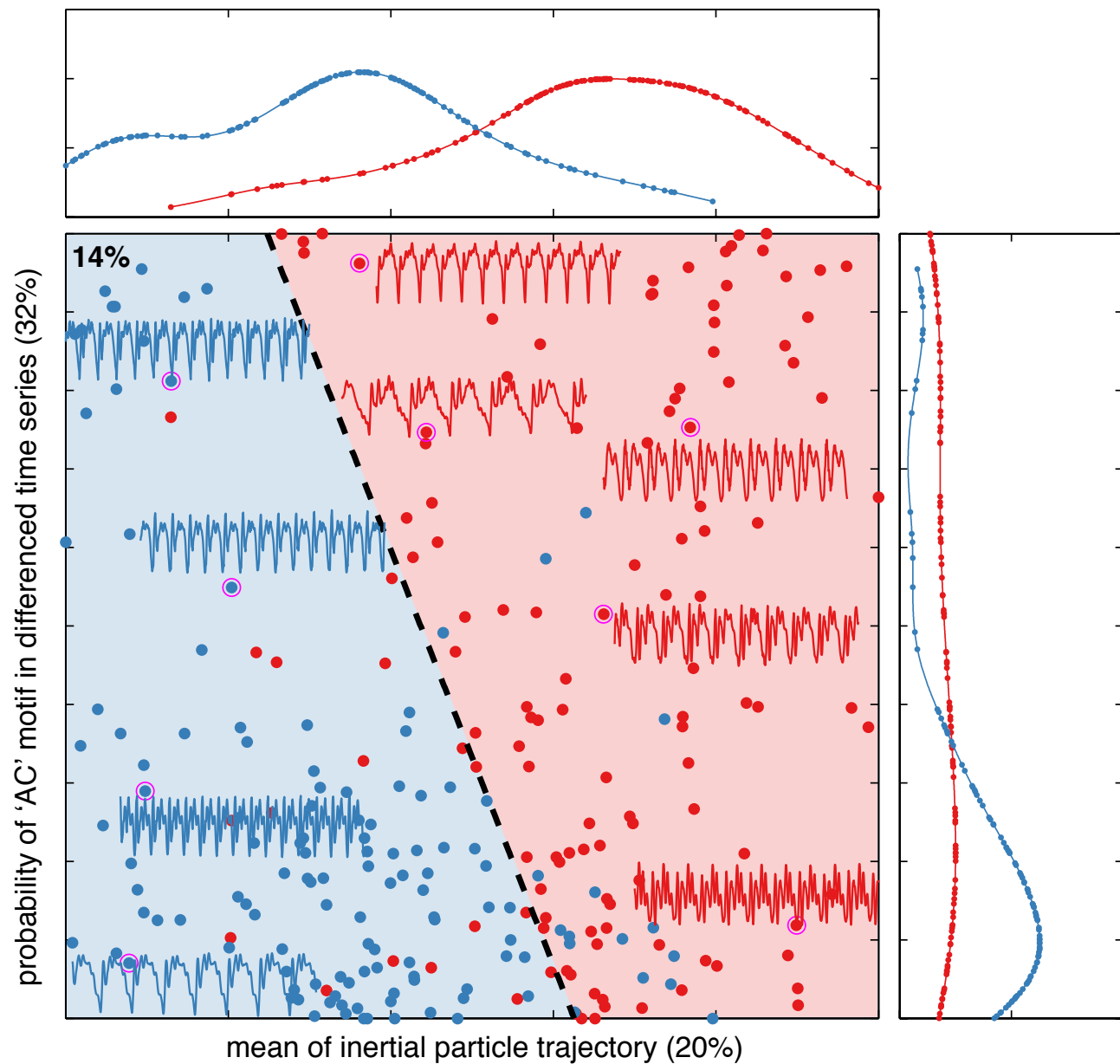
Arterial and venous blood samples



Heart rate variability

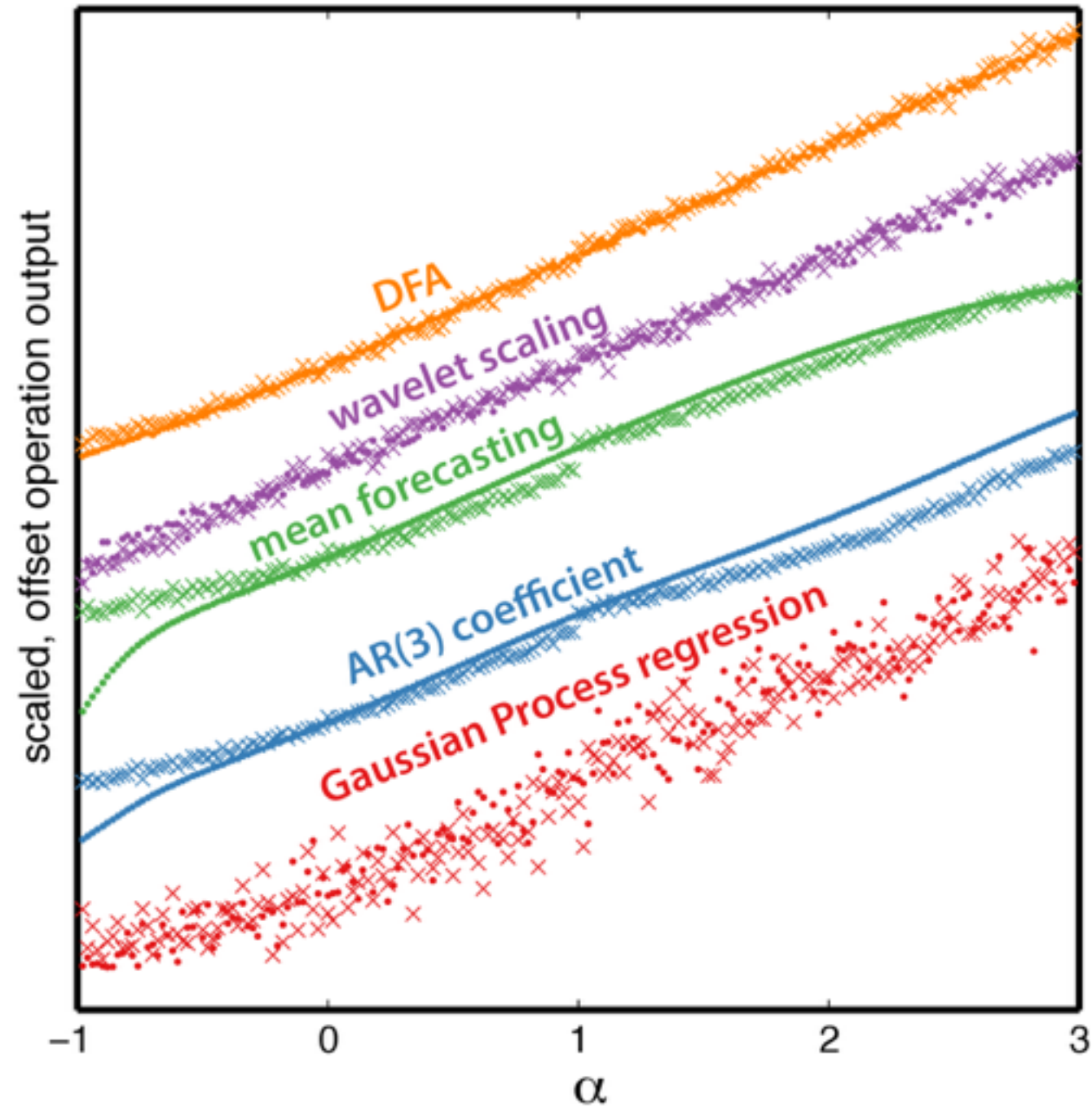
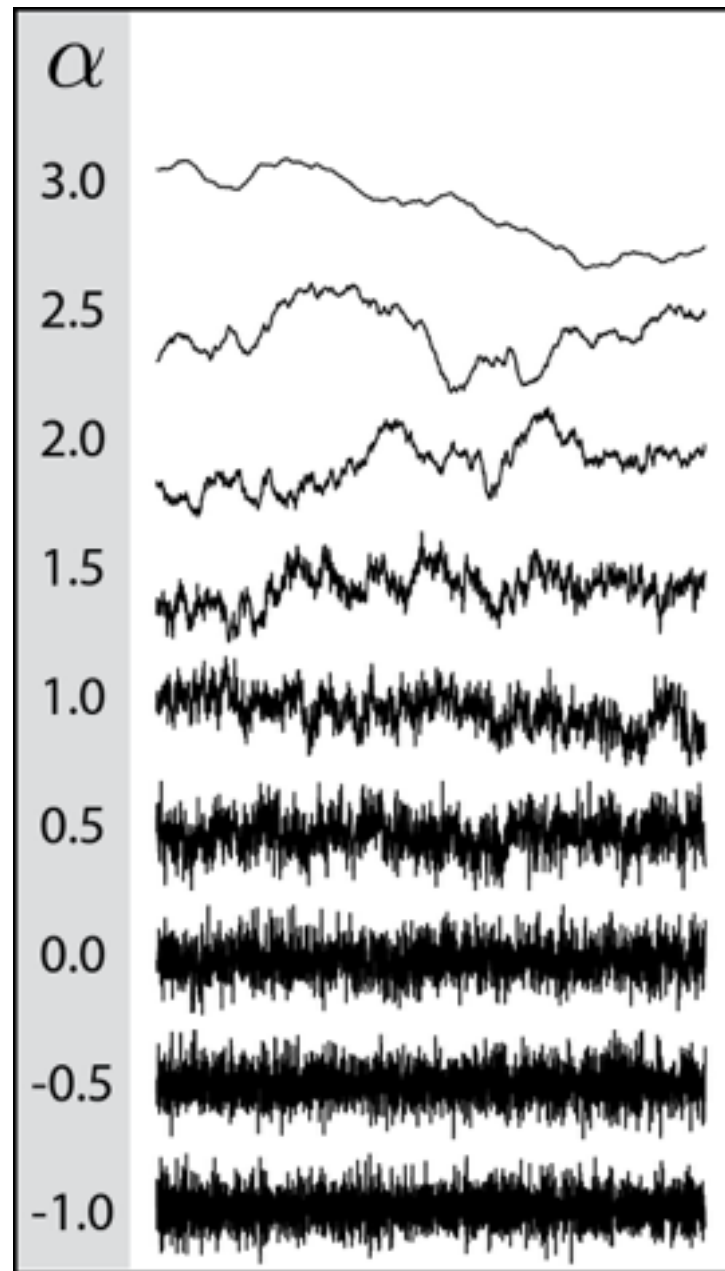


Parkinsonian speech



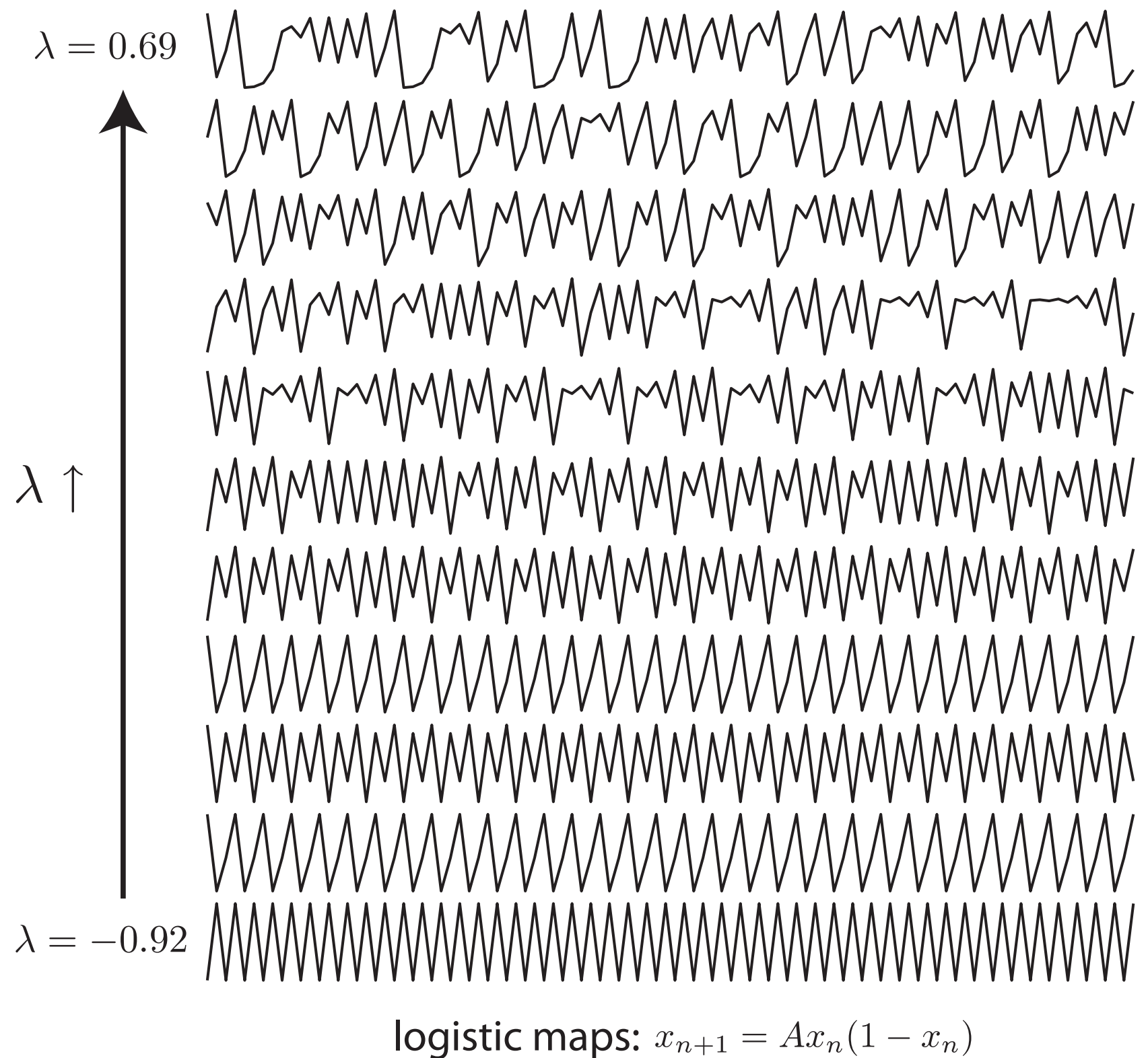
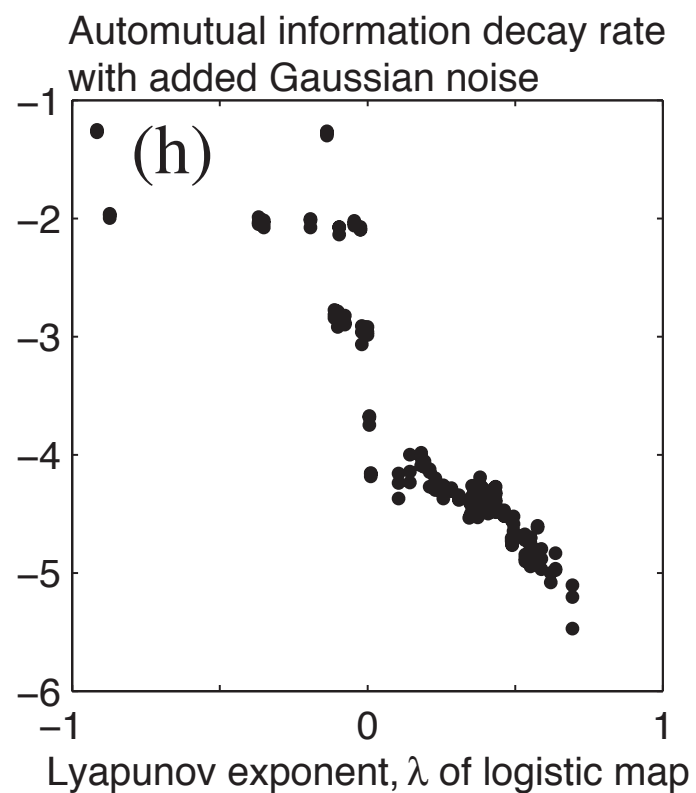
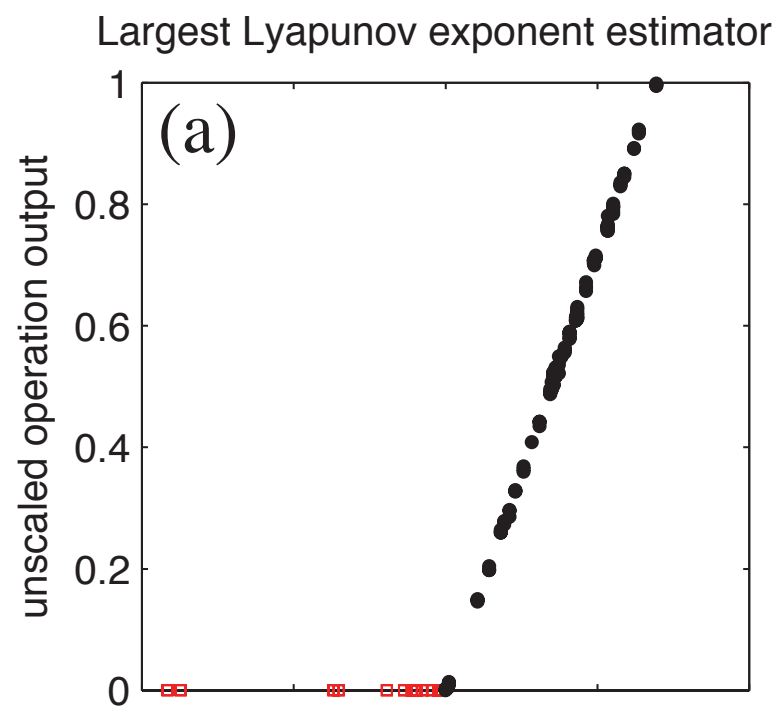
Classifiers combine methods developed in different scientific disciplines

Self-affine time series



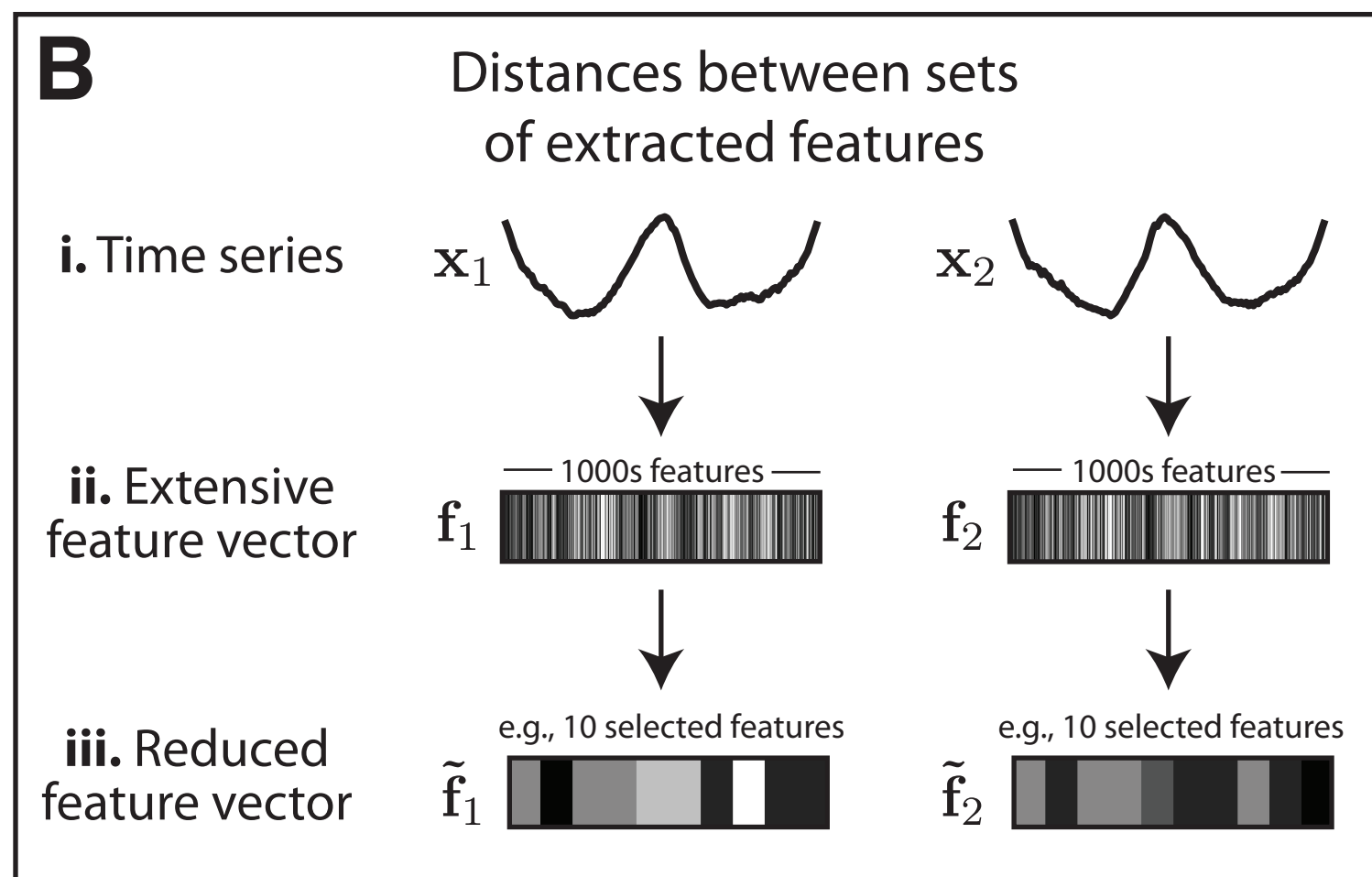
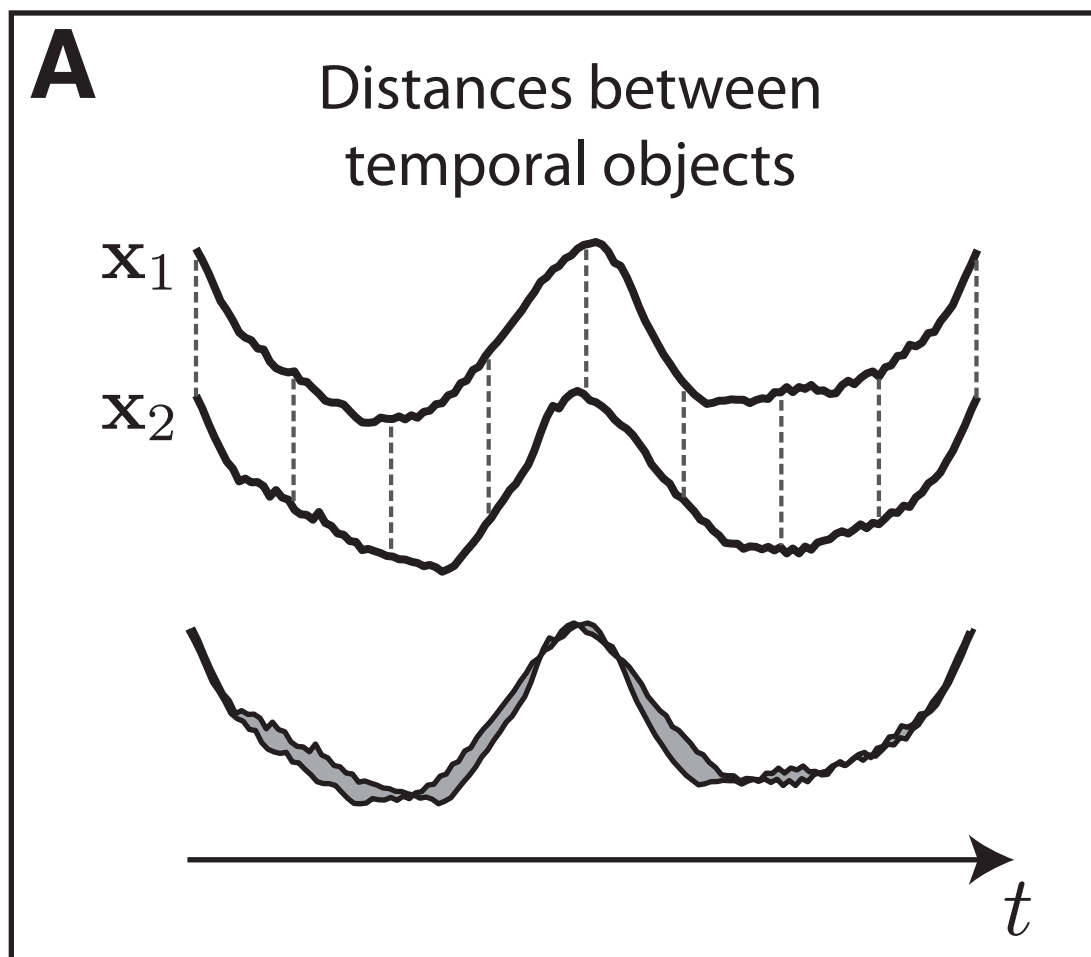


Logistic Map



Time-series data mining

Cluster and classify short time-series ‘patterns’ (functional data)



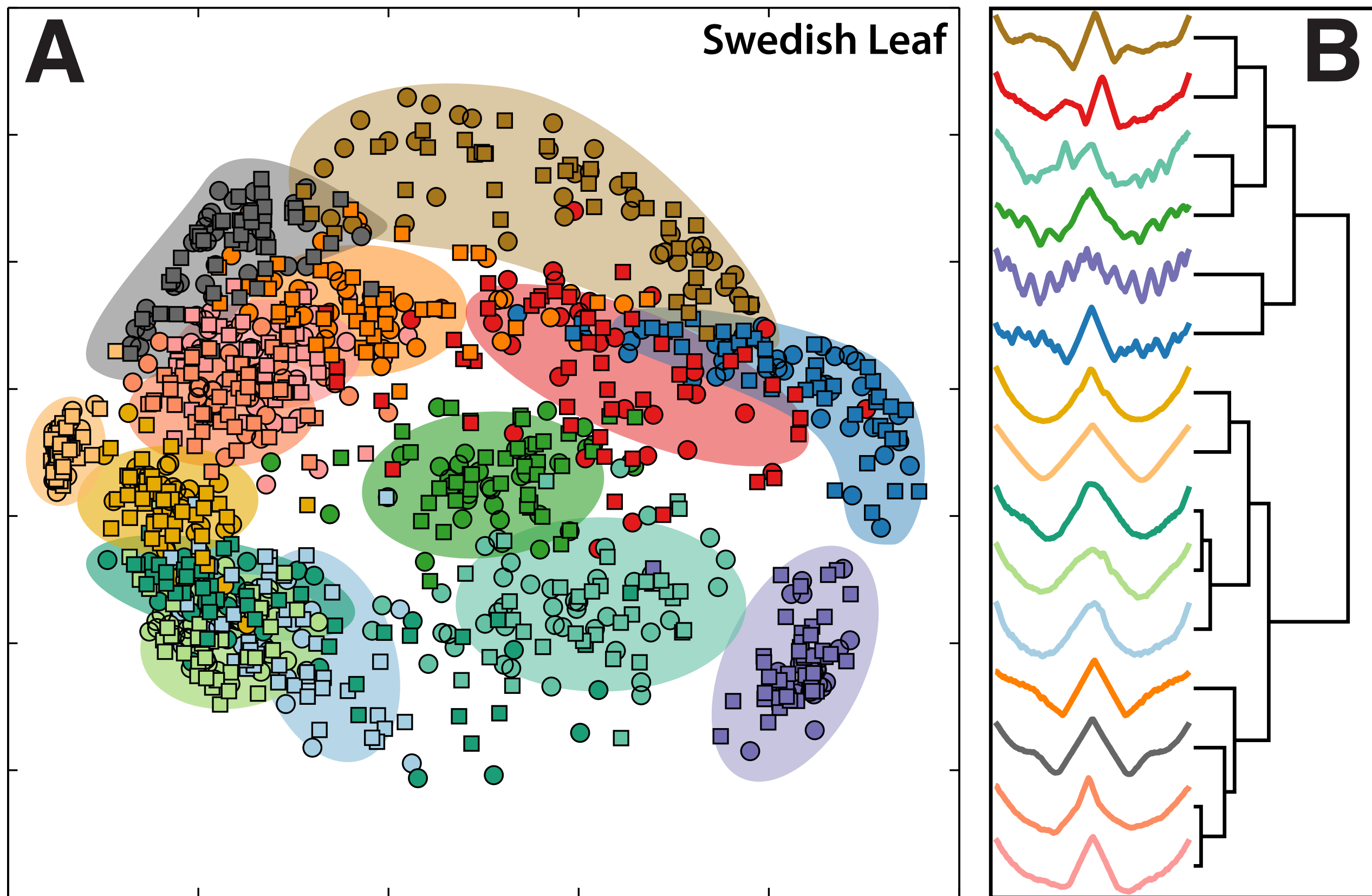
Second Principal Component

A

Swedish Leaf

First Principal Component

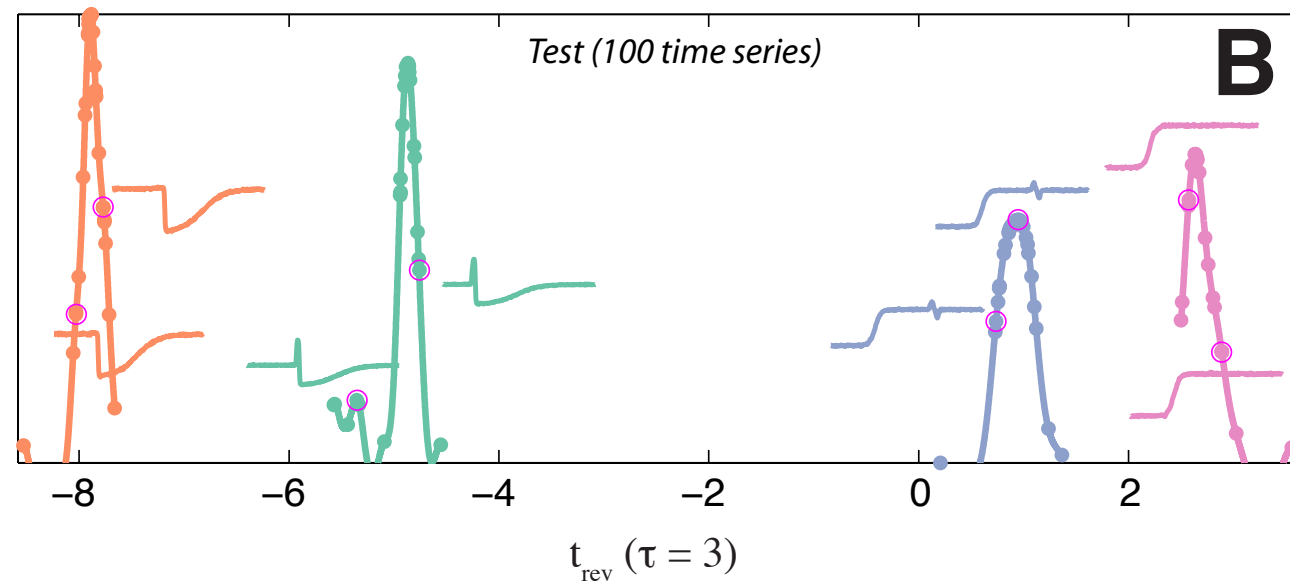
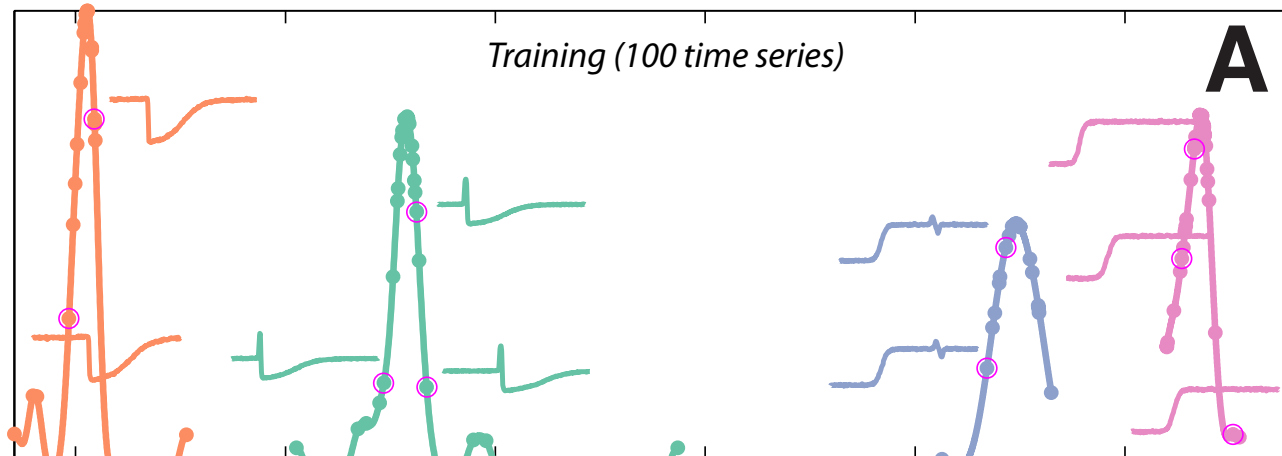
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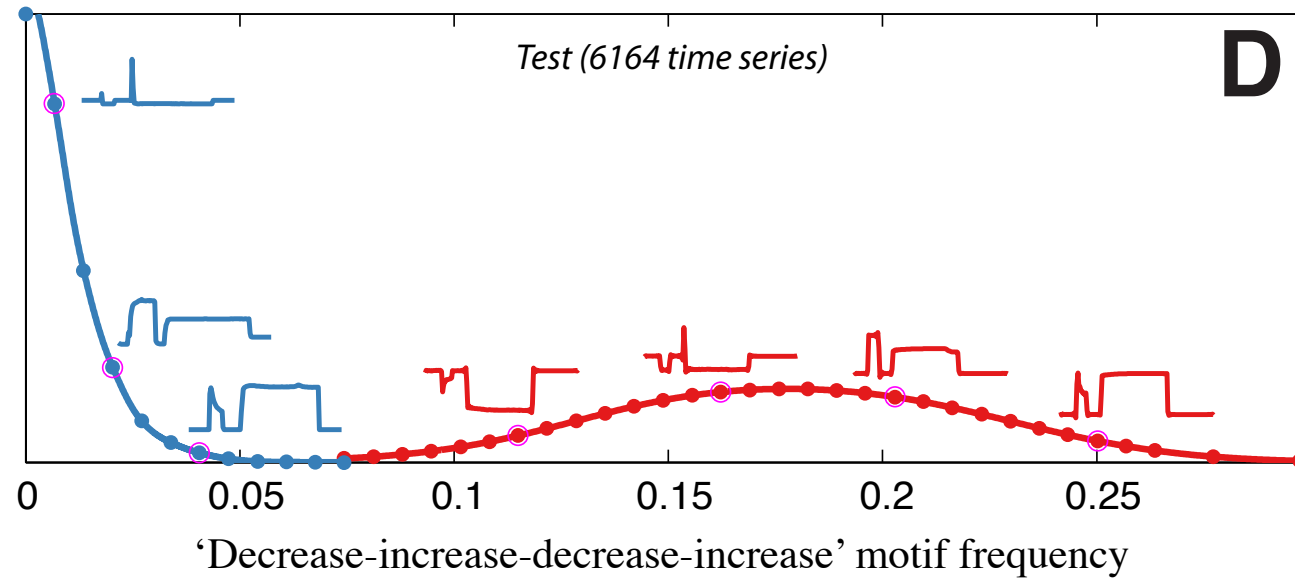
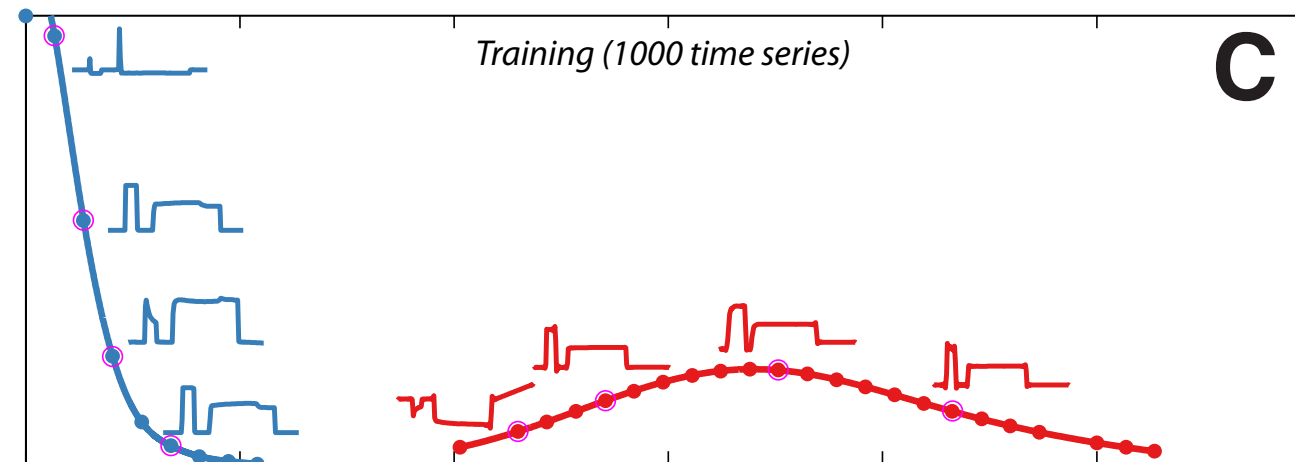
Single features perform well

would be difficult to motivate by intuition

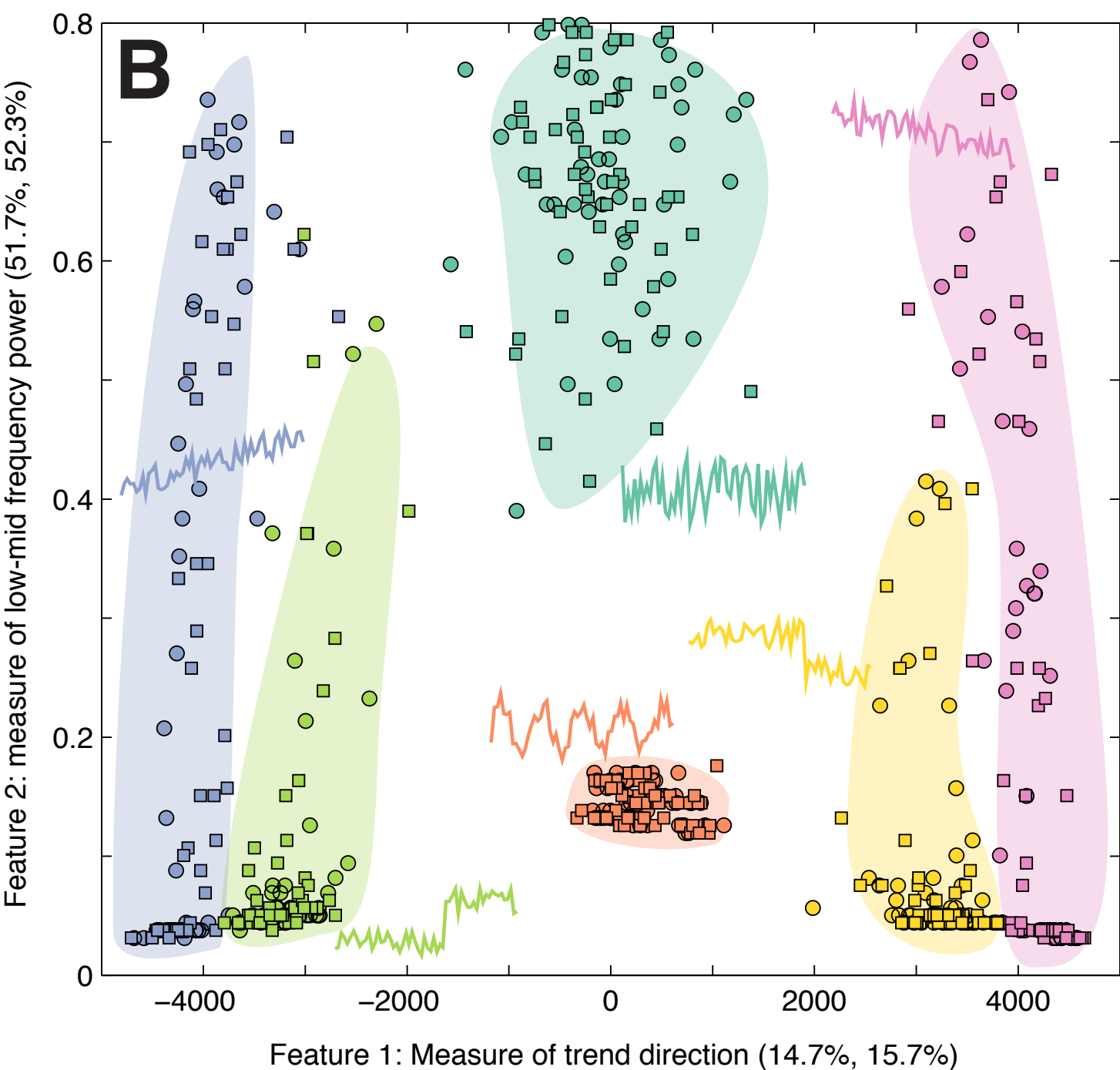
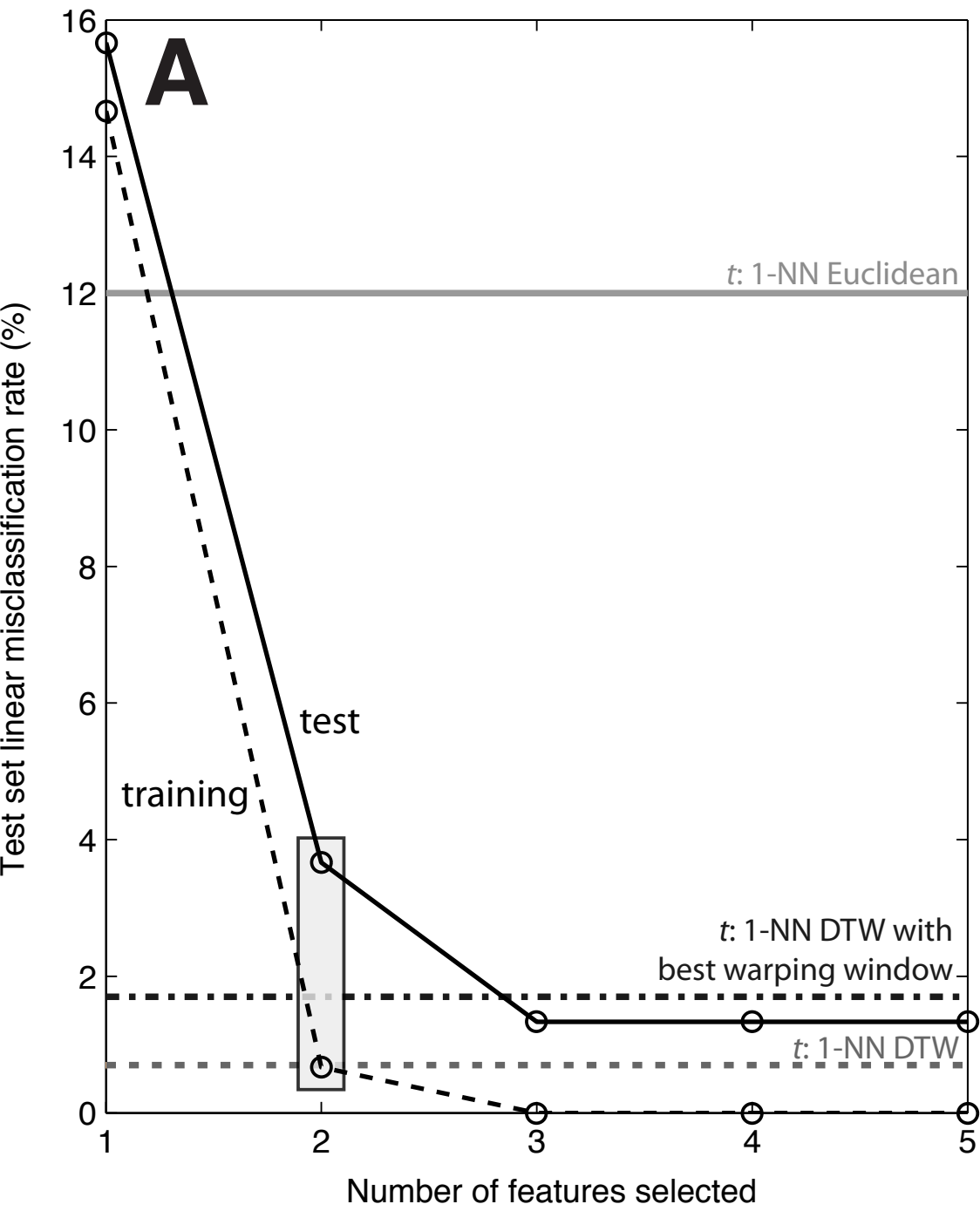
Trace dataset



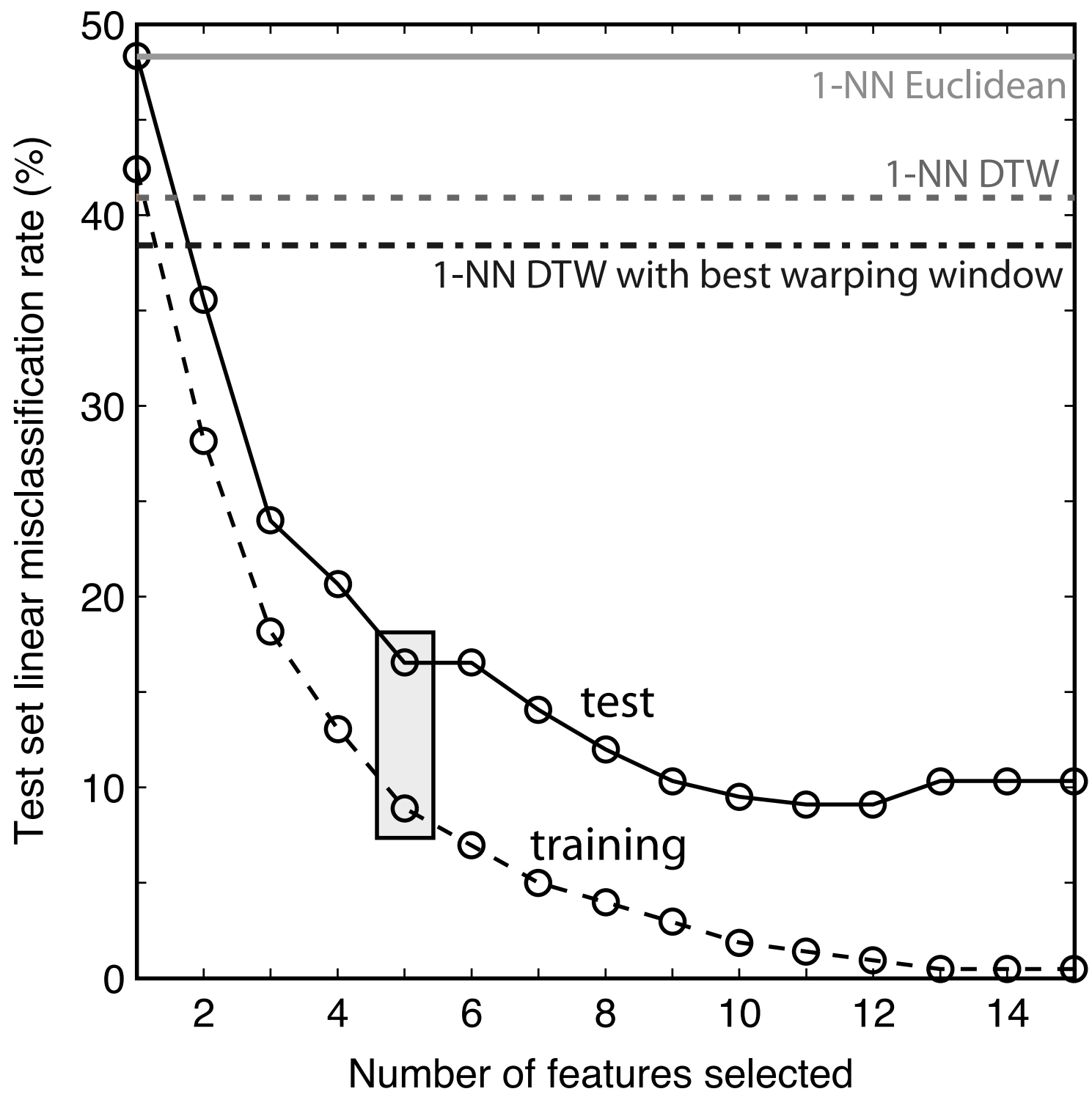
Wafer dataset



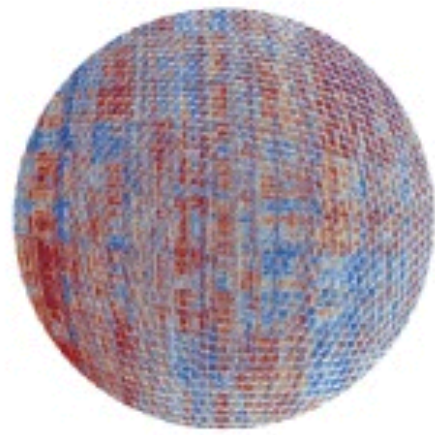
Improvements by adding a second feature



Improvements by adding multiple features



automatic
massive dimensionality
reduction
fast classification of new examples
diverse, interpretable features



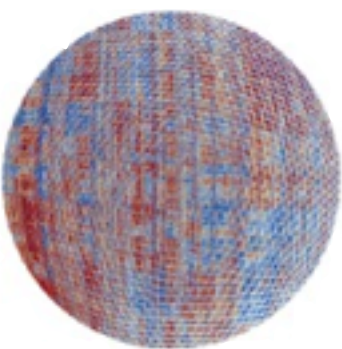
Comp-Engine Time Series

A comparison engine for data and its analysis methods

www.comp-engine.org/timeseries



- Web resource for interdisciplinary scientific collaboration on time-series analysis
- >32,000 views since launching in February 2014
- Explore relationships between ~30,000 time series and ~9,000 analysis operations
- alpha implementation of drag-and-drop



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Time Data Source Archives: Physionet: MGHDB (1089 items)

The Massachusetts General Hospital/Marquette Foundation (MGH/MF) Waveform Database is a comprehensive collection of electronic recordings of hemodynamic and electrocardiographic waveforms of patients in the intensive care units. It is the result of a collaboration between physicians, biomedical engineers and nurses at the Massachusetts General Hospital. The database consists of recordings from 250 patients and represents a broad spectrum of physiologic and pathophysiologic states.

Individual recordings vary in length from 12 to 86 minutes, and in most cases are about an hour long.

The typical recording includes three ECG leads, arterial pressure, pulmonary arterial pressure, central venous pressure, and respiratory pressure.

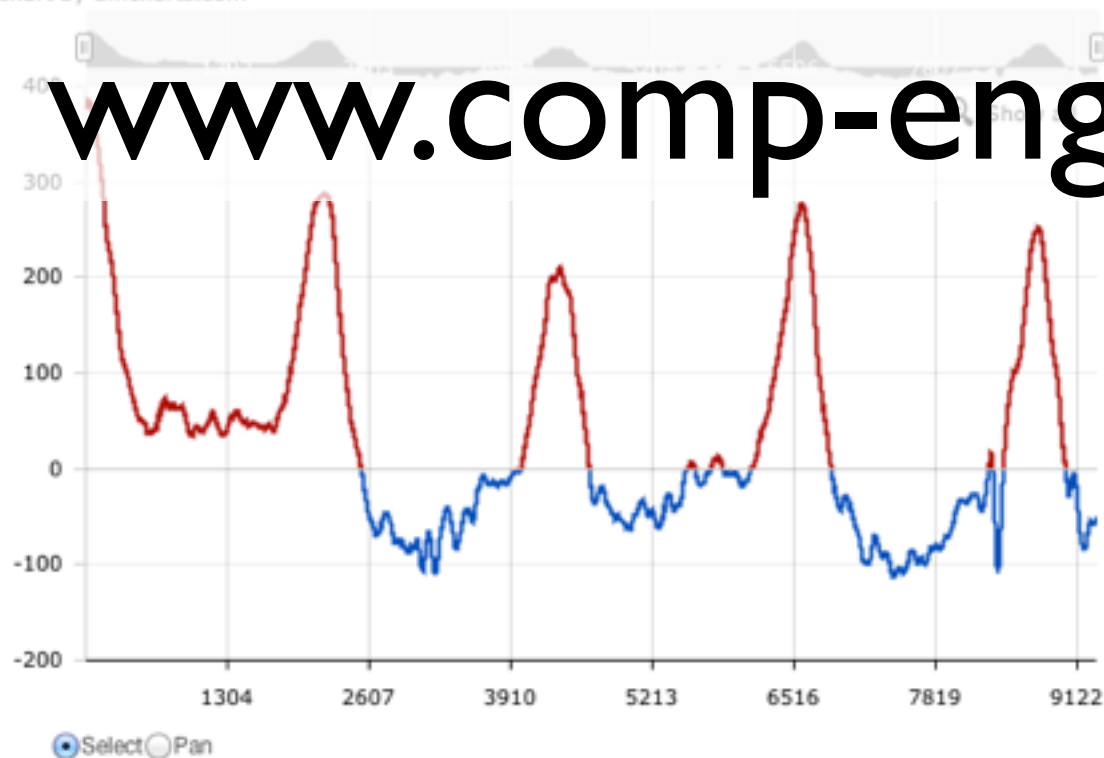
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Length: 9300

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Tags:

medical, mghdb, physionet, respiratoryimpedance, snip

Categories:

Real-world

Time series measured from real-world systems

Medical

Source:

Physionet

Data by Category

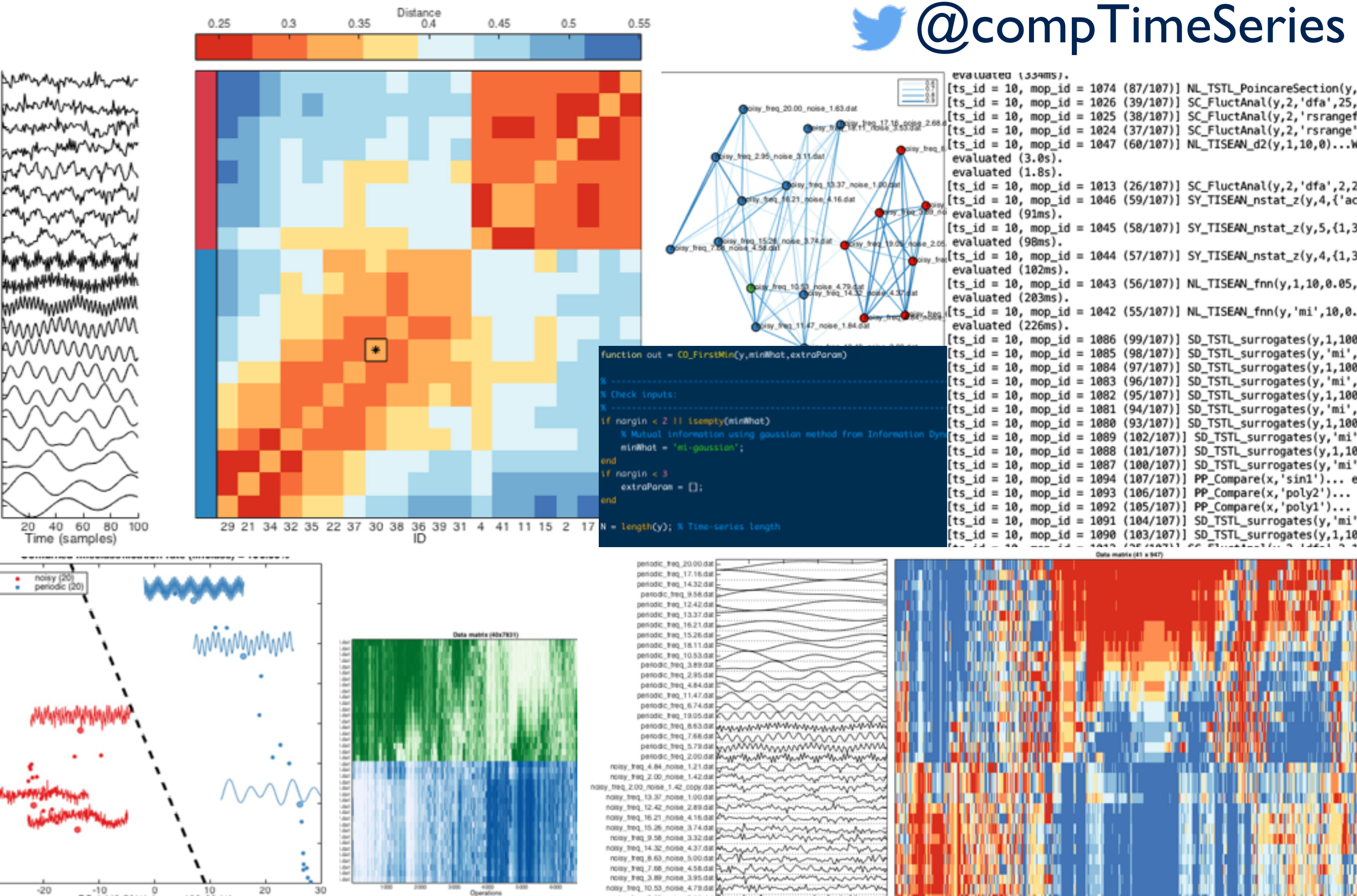
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Data by Source

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Matlab-based code repository

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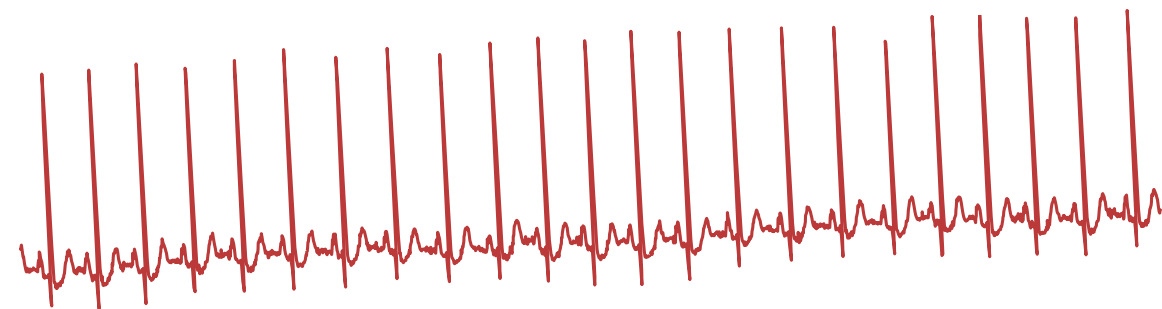
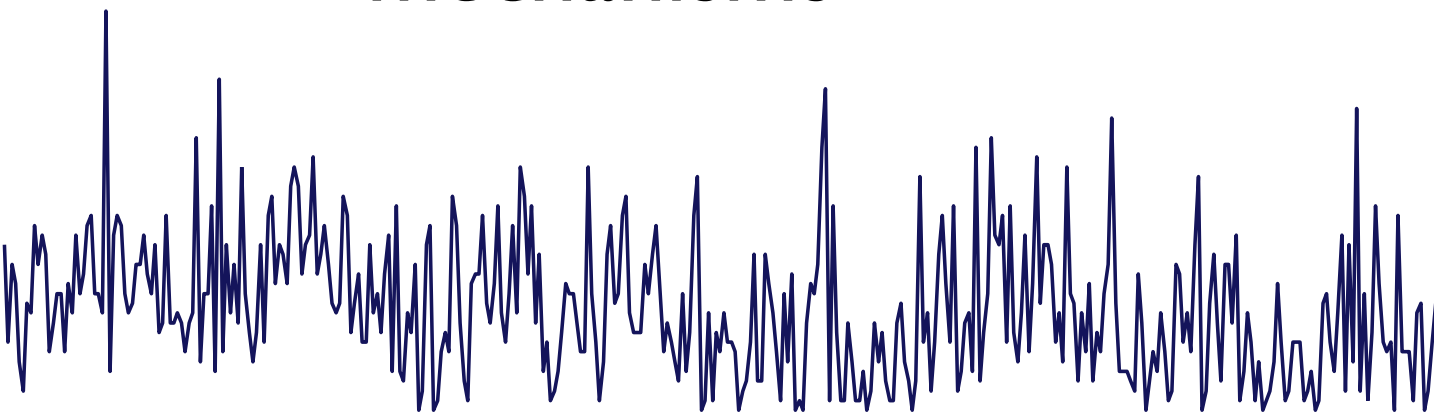





Conclusions



- A semi-automated approach to time-series analysis that compares thousands of interdisciplinary methods
- Can be viewed as a starting point to guide more focused time-series analysis
- Results provide insights into underlying dynamical mechanisms



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