Regime Shifts in Streams: Real-time Forecasting of Co-evolving Time Sequences

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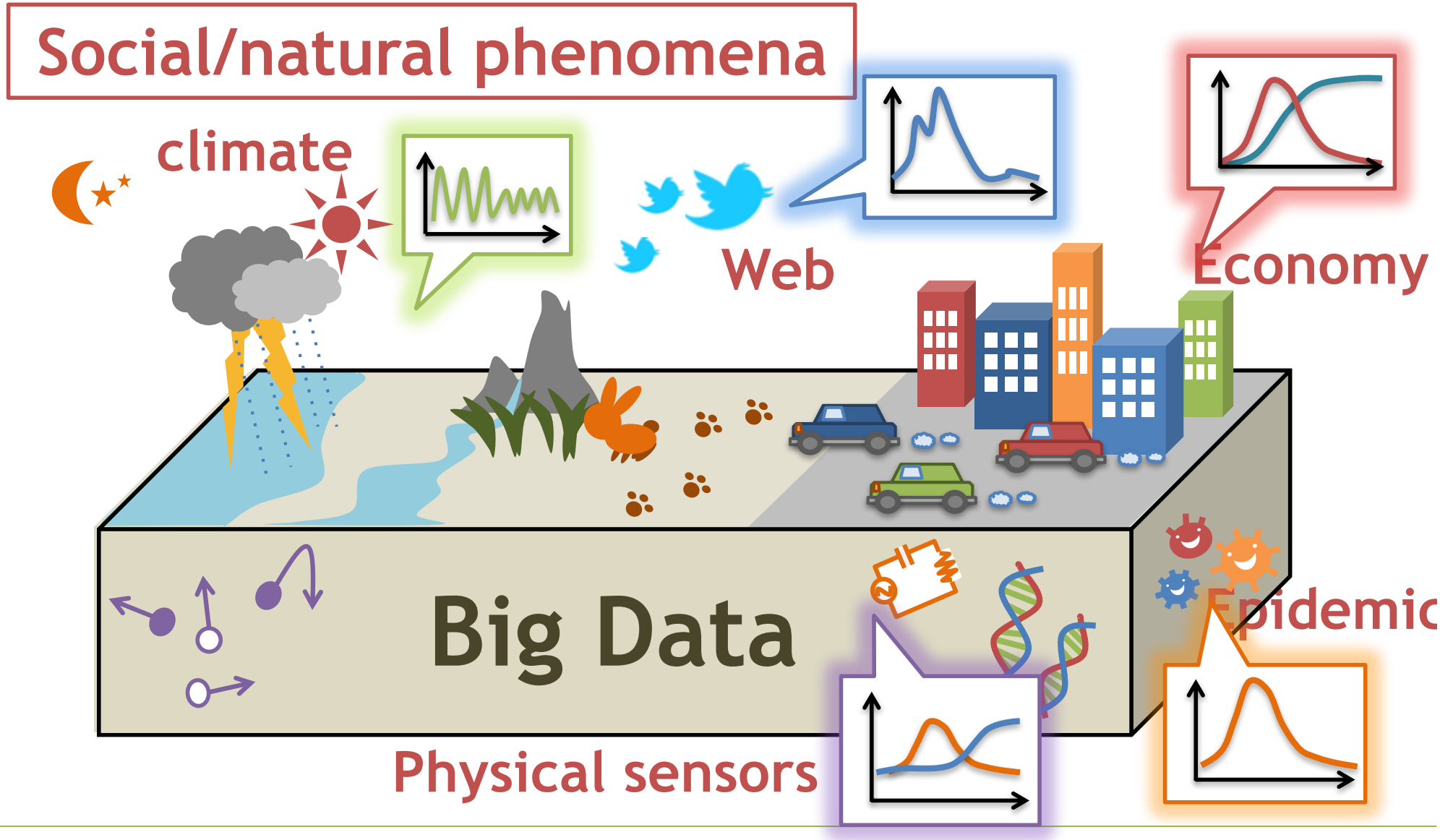

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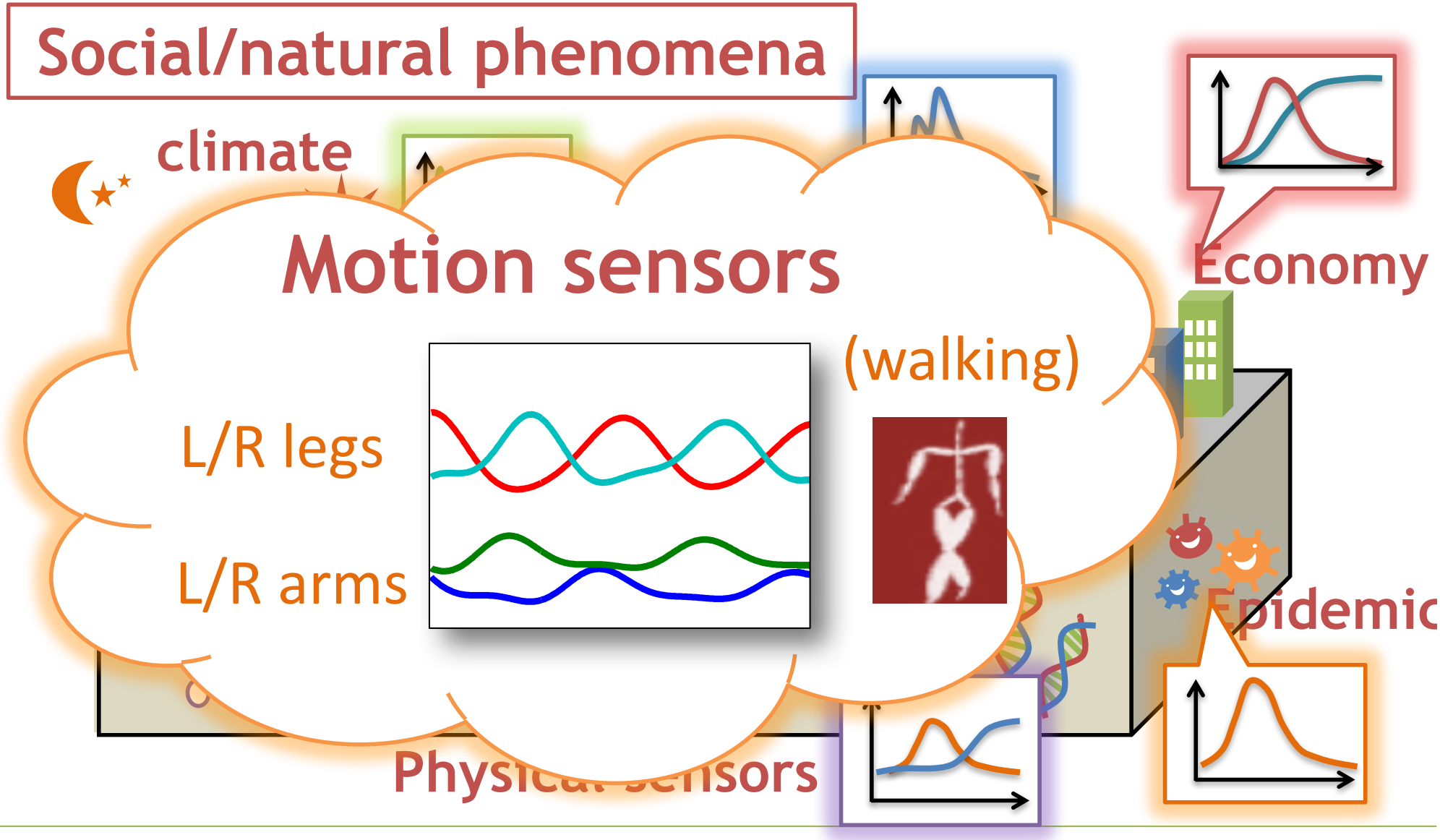

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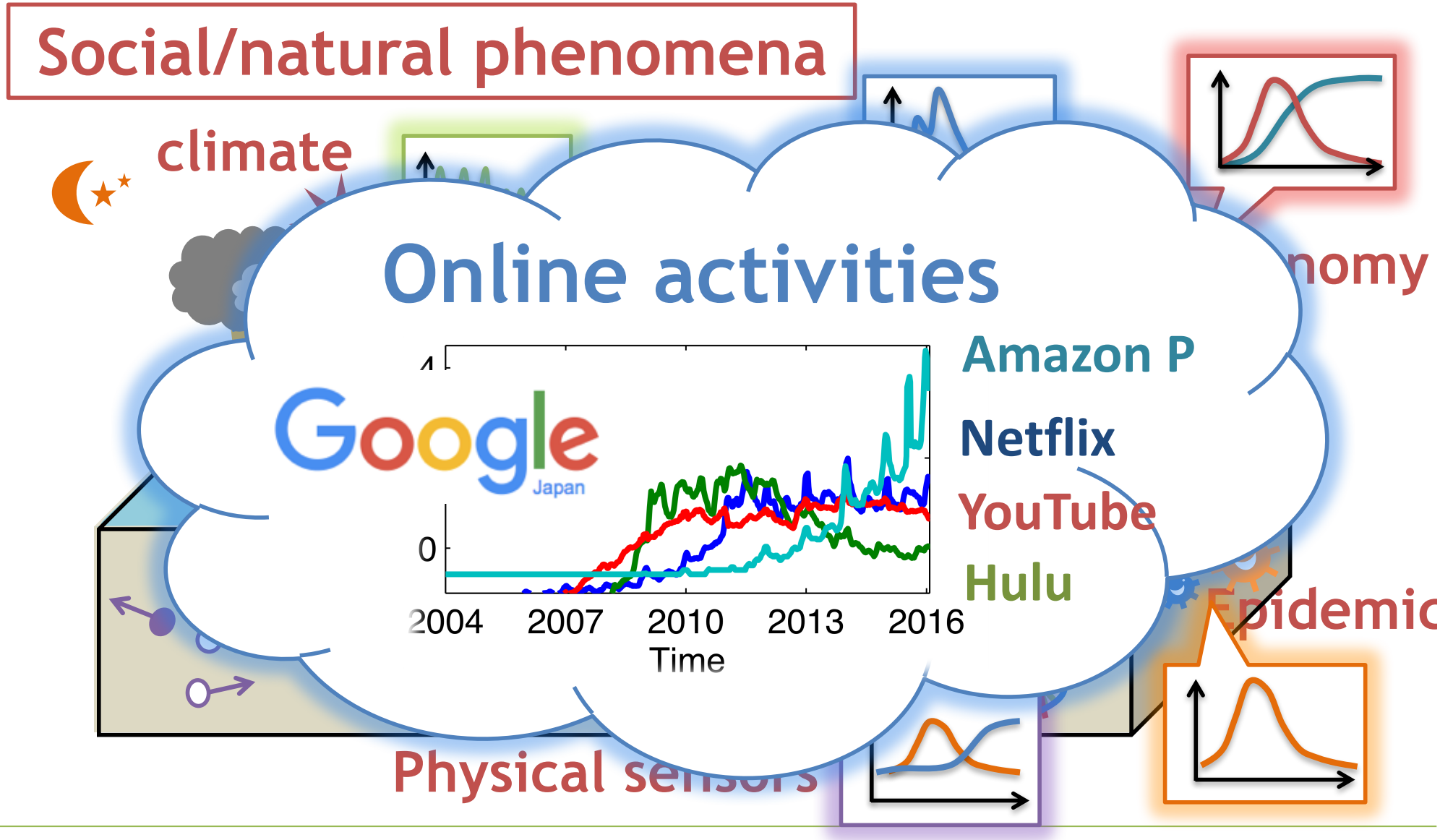

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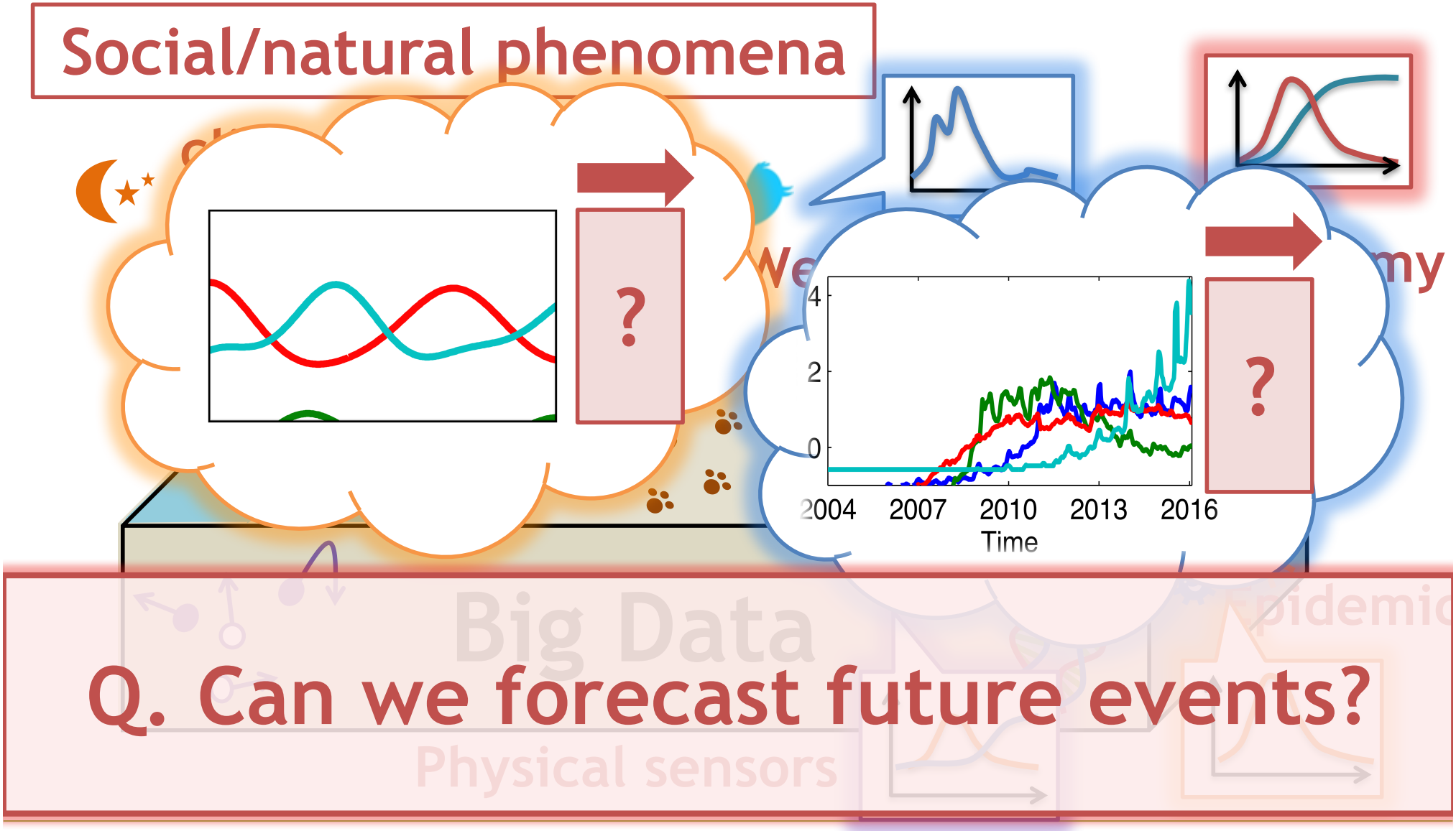


Q. Can we forecast future events?

Big time-series data streams

- **Given:**

  Co-evolving event stream

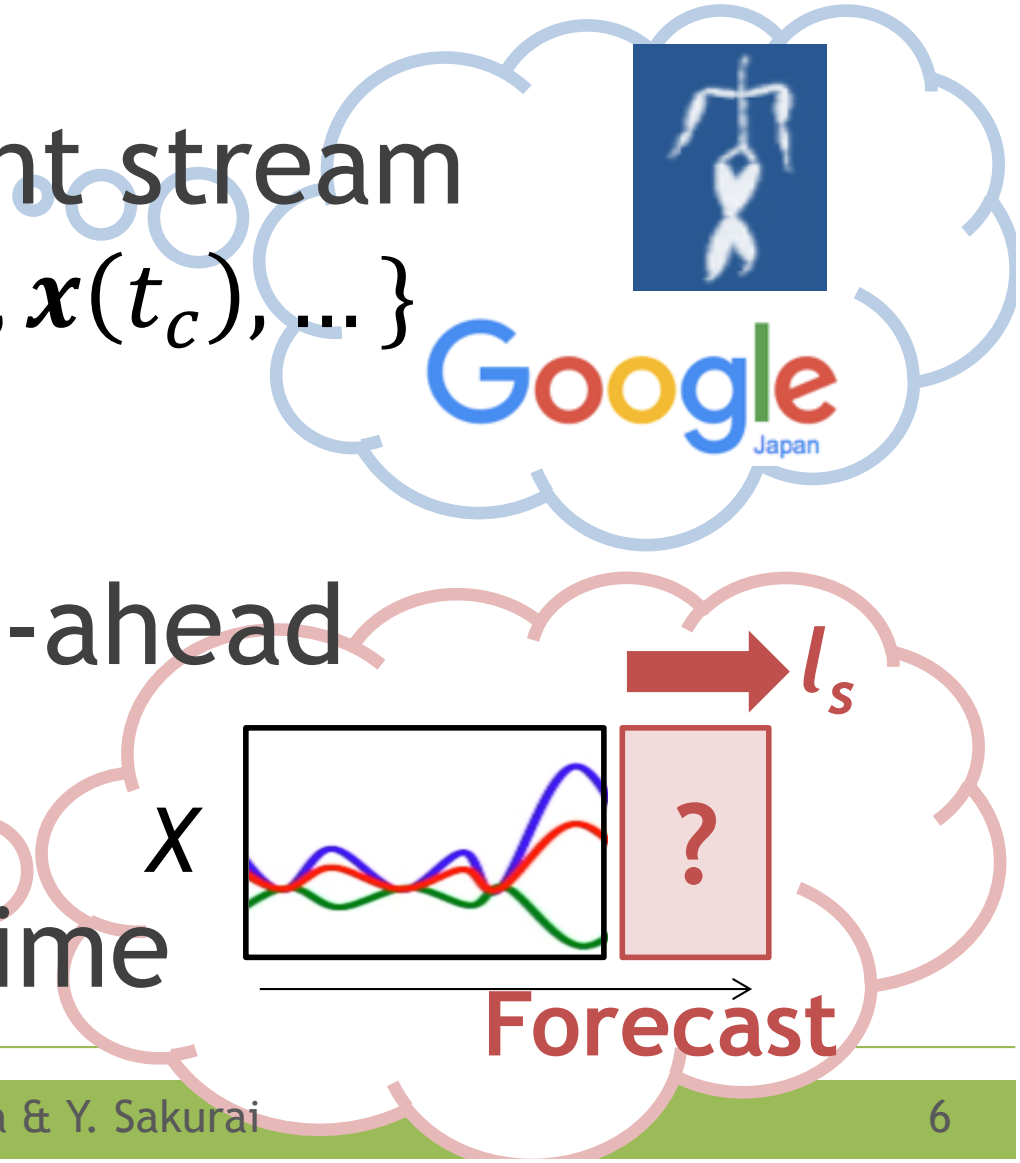
  $X = \{\boldsymbol{x}(1), \boldsymbol{x}(2), \ldots, \boldsymbol{x}(t_c), \ldots\}$

- **Goal:**

  Forecast l_s-steps-ahead

  future events,

  at any point in time



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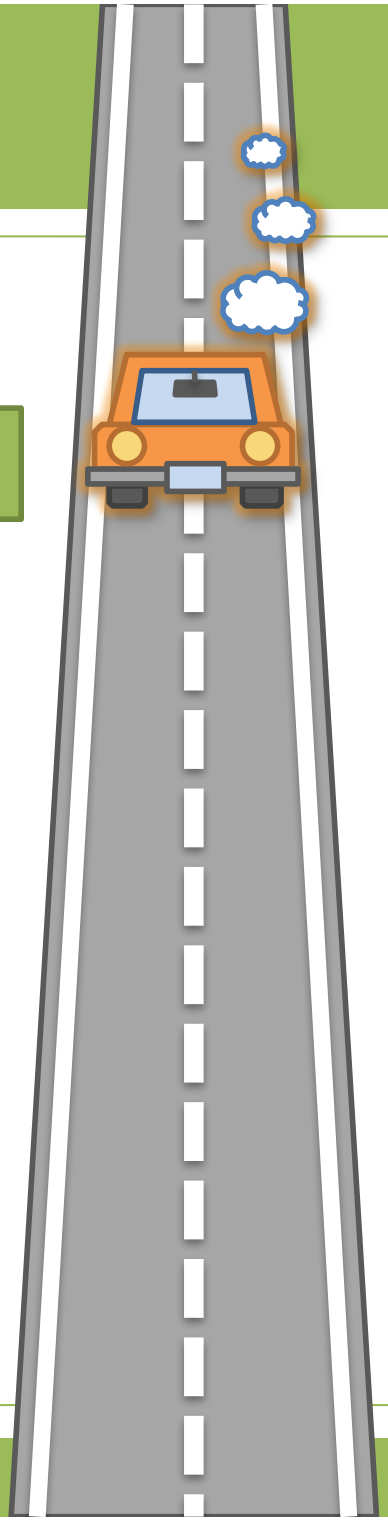

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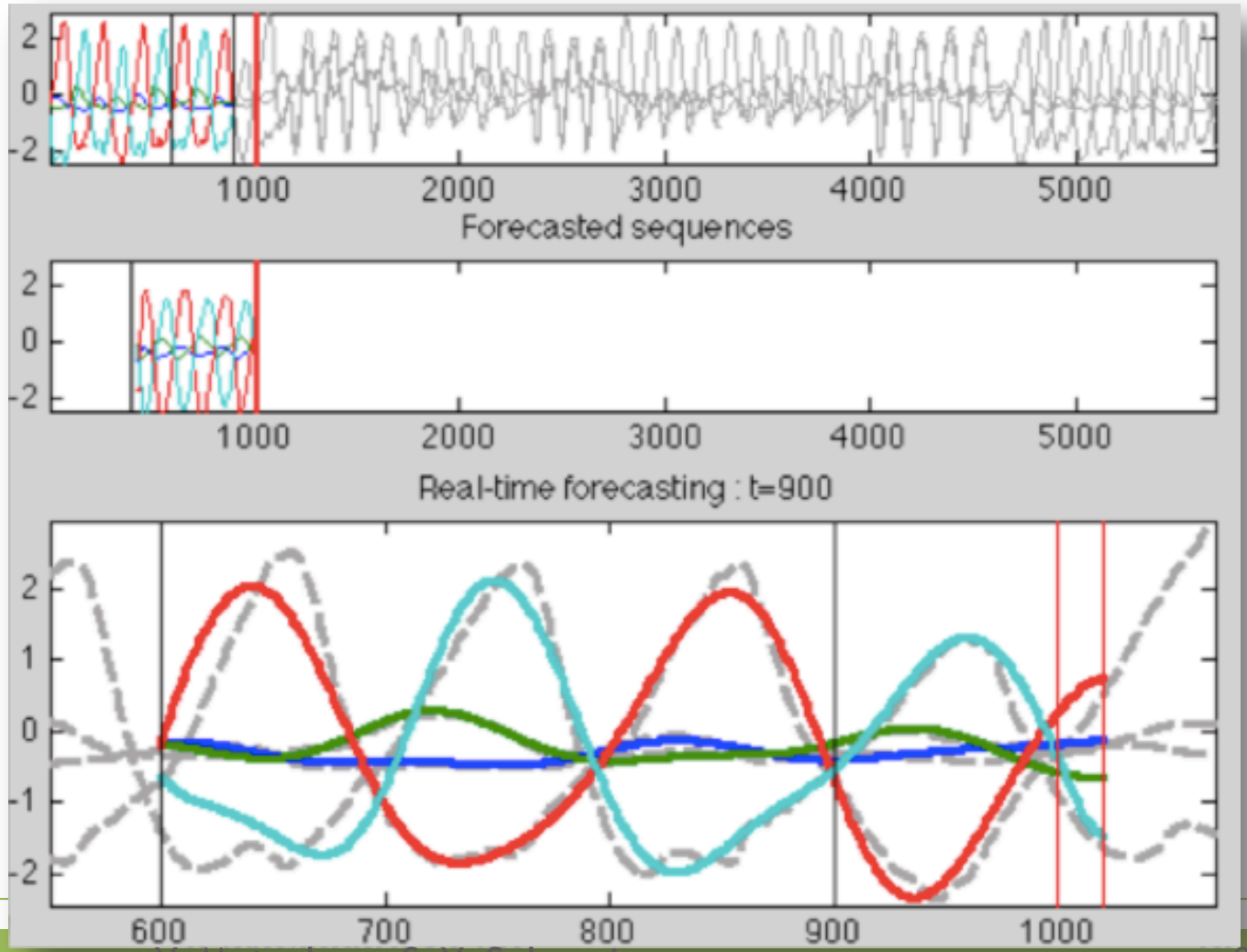

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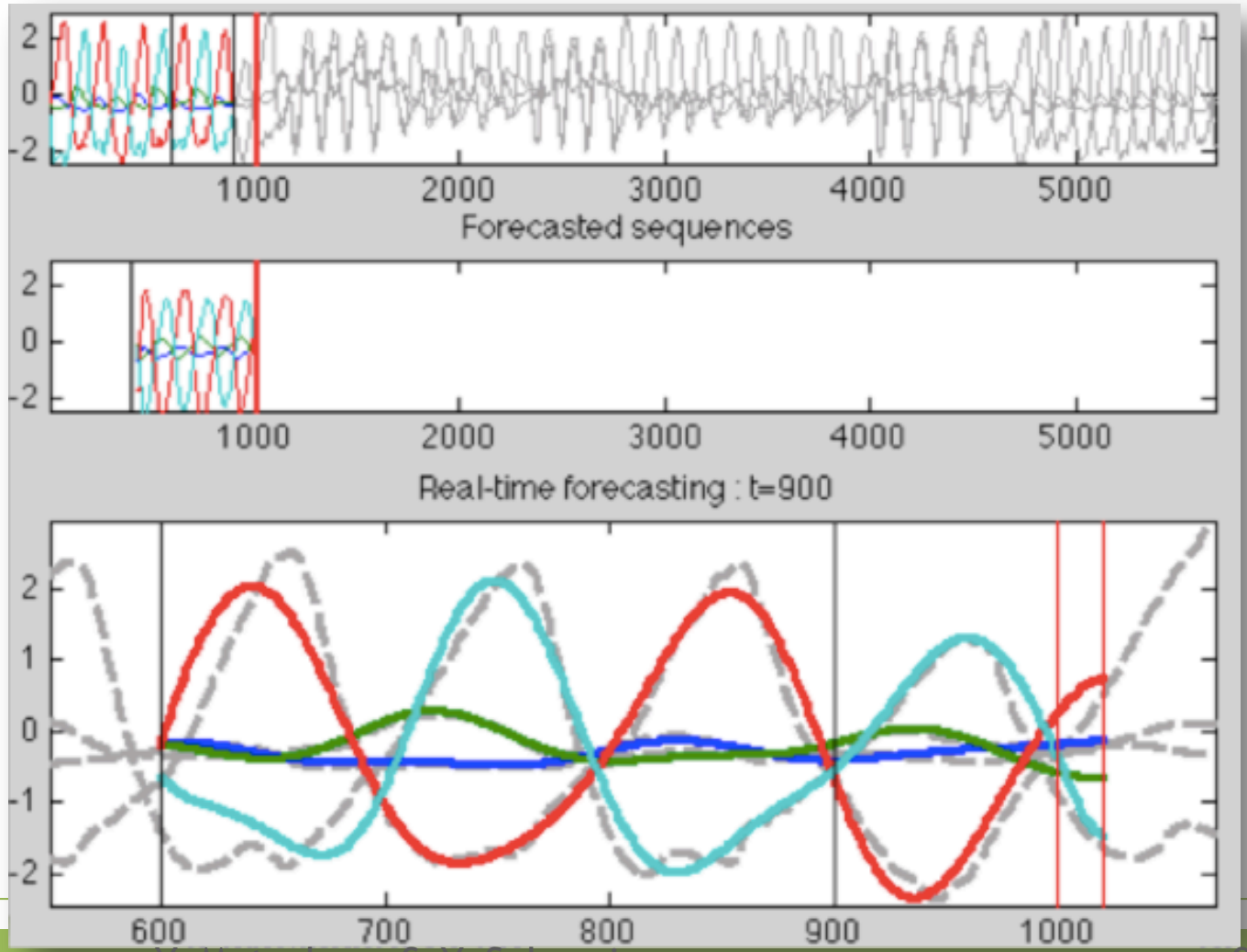

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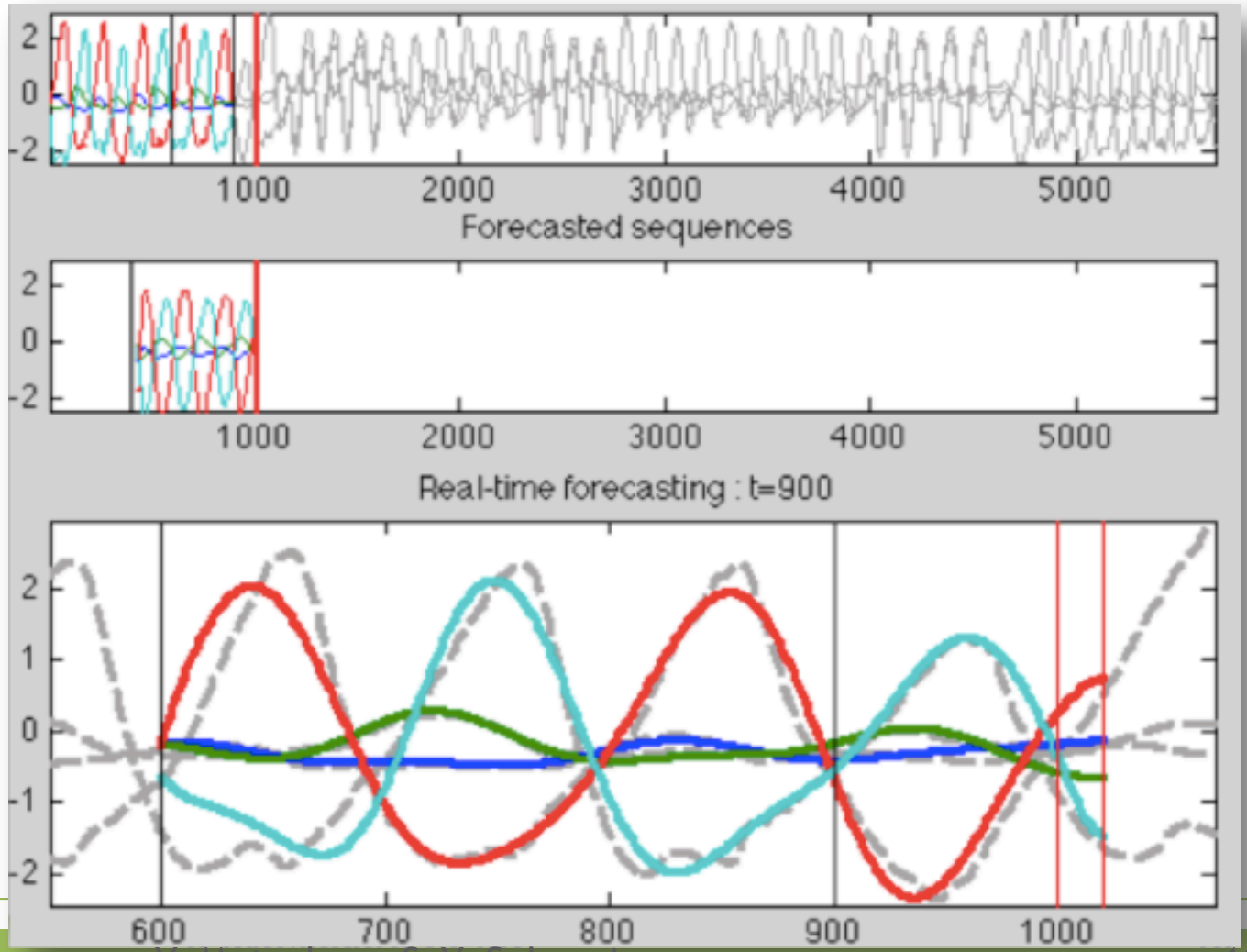

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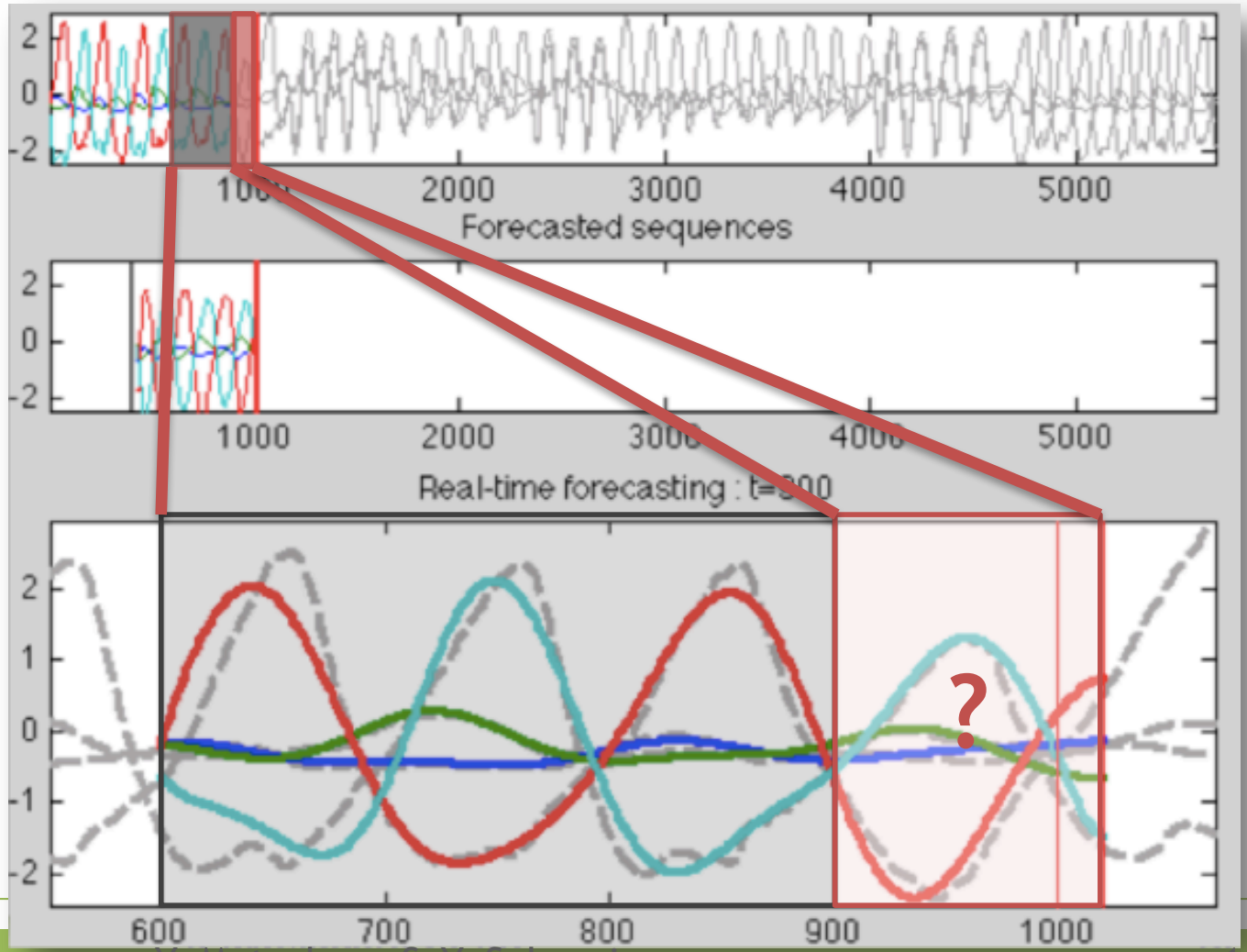

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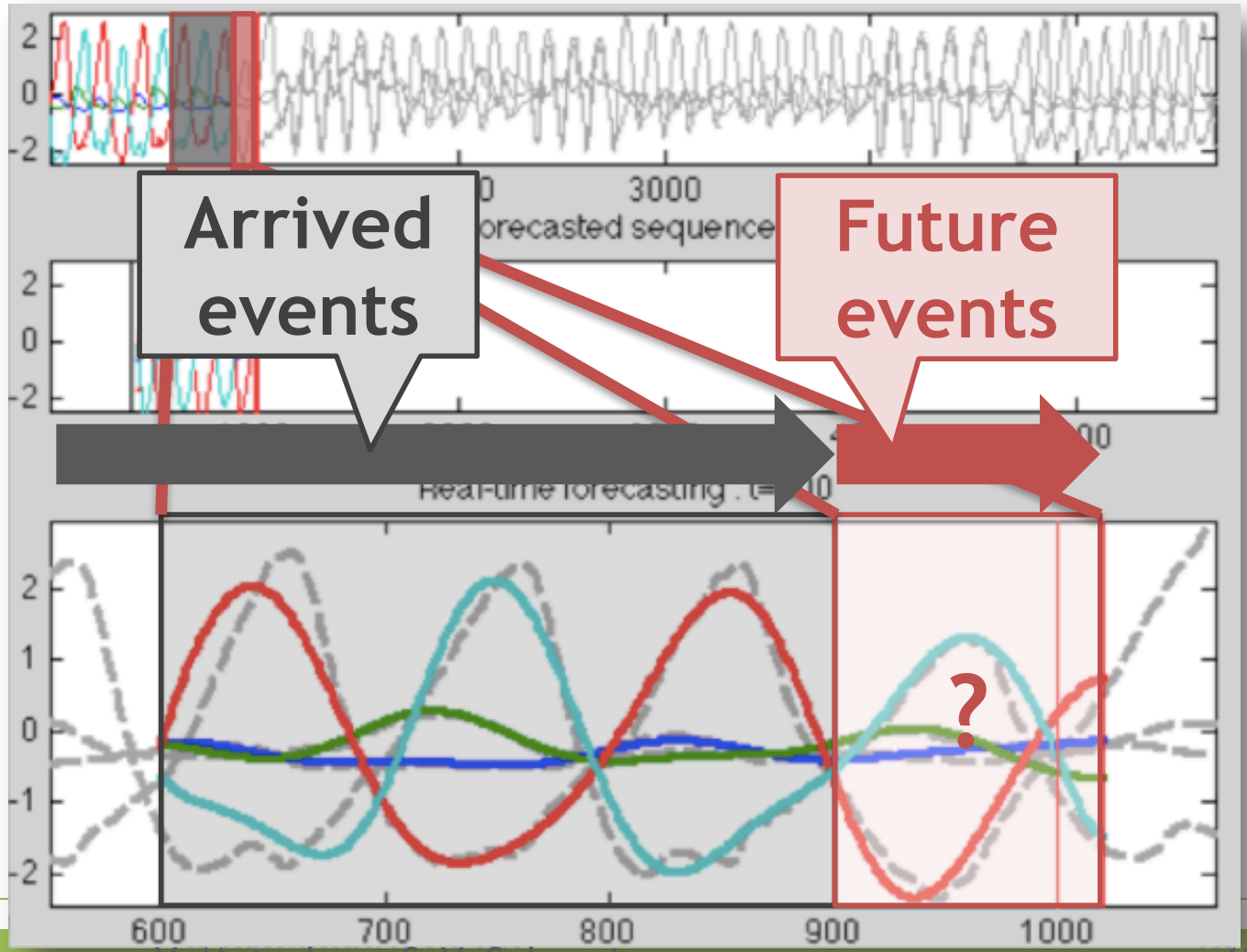

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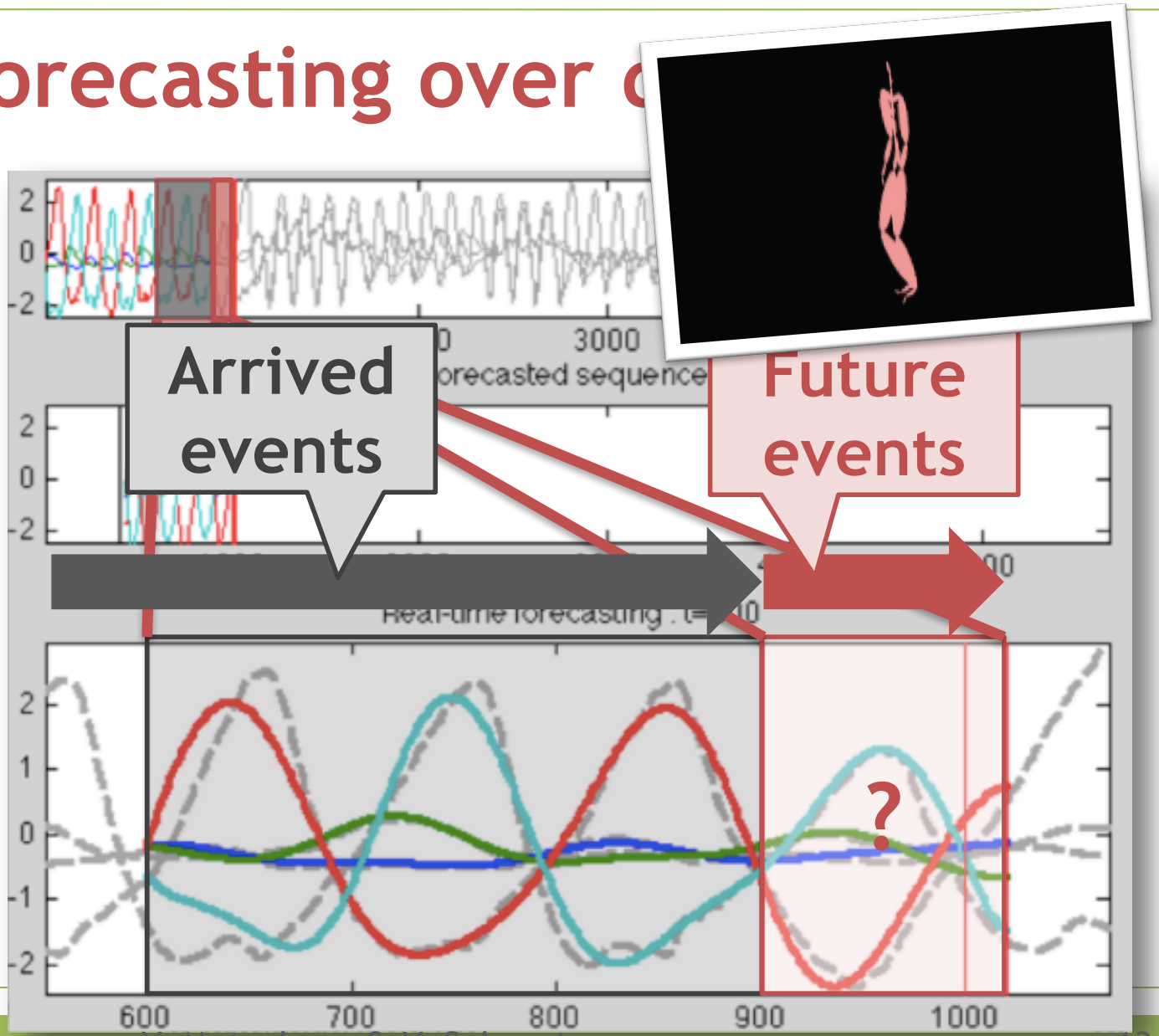

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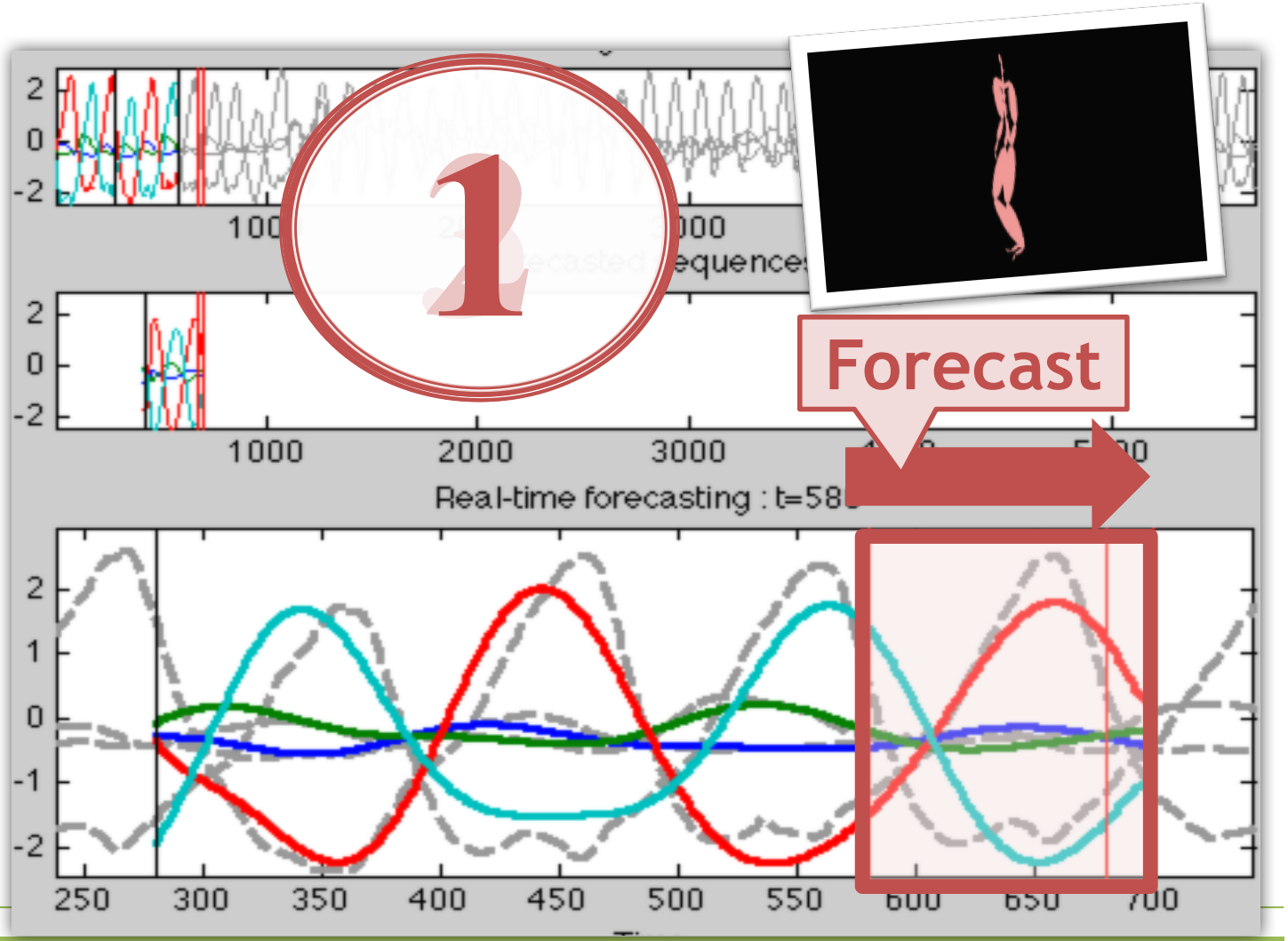

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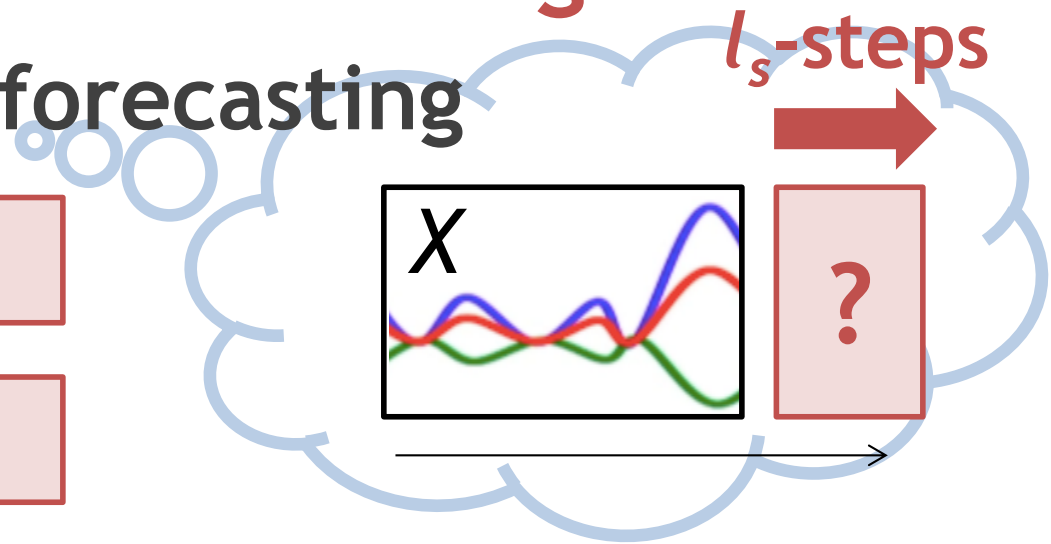
Overview

What is "Real-time forecasting"?

(a) l_s-steps-ahead forecasting

Long-term

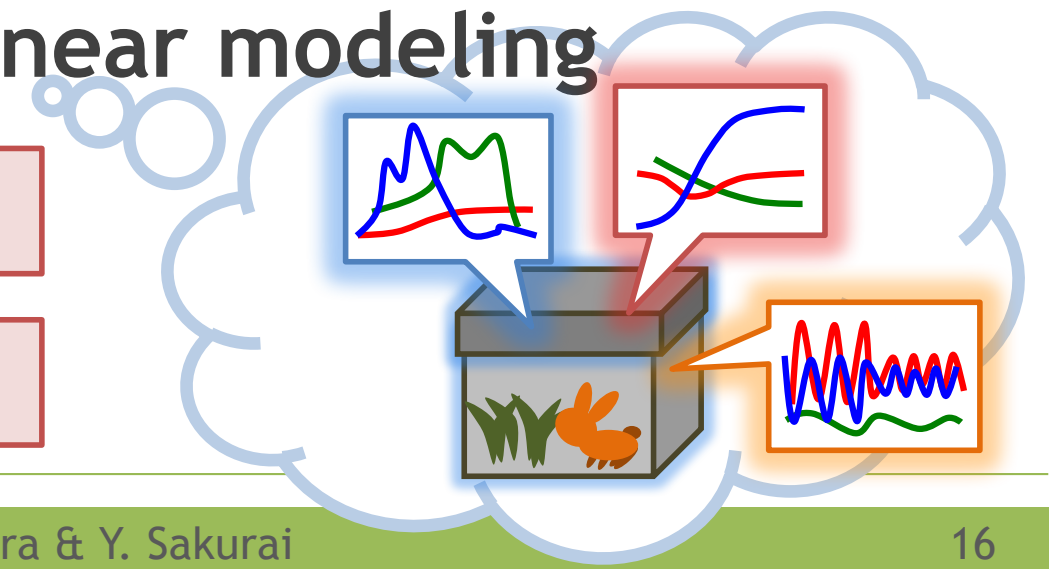
Continuous



(b) Adaptive non-linear modeling

Non-linear

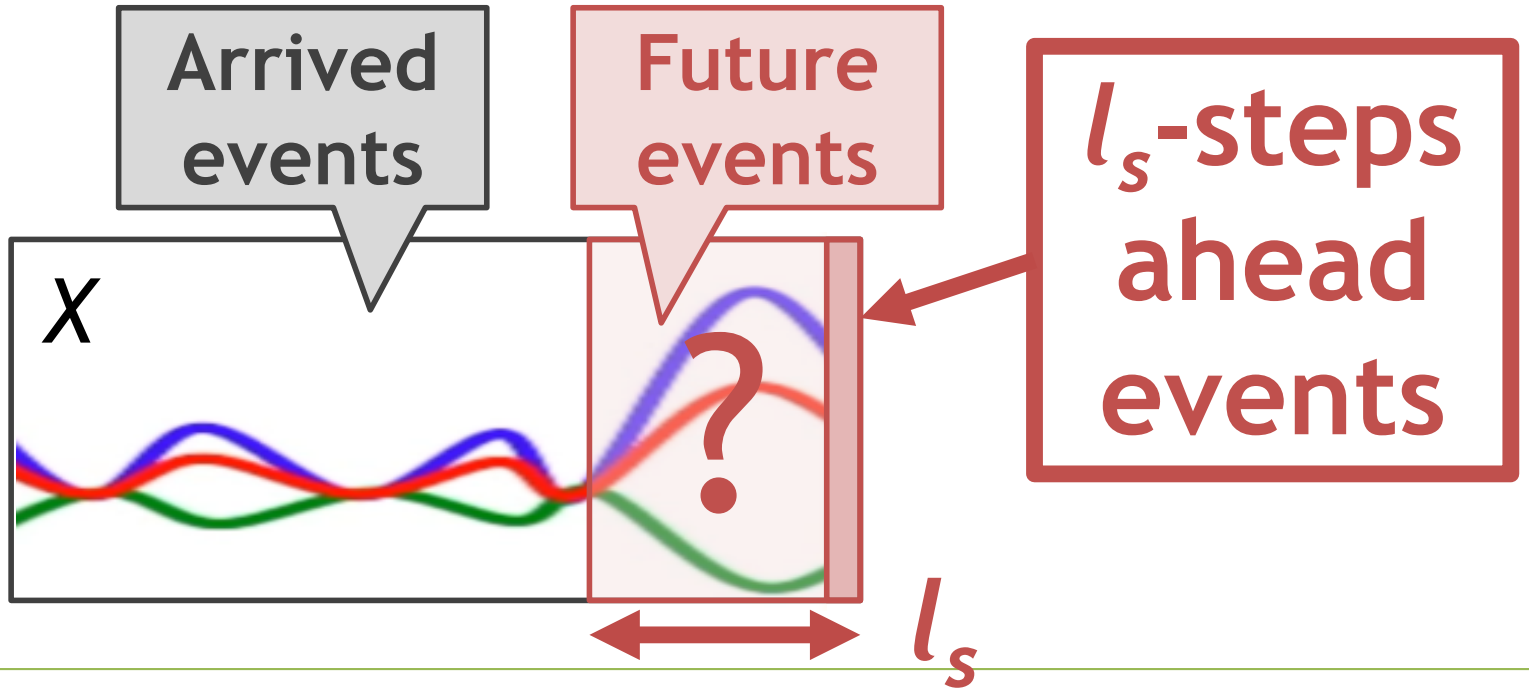
Adaptive



(a) l_s-steps-ahead forecasting

Long-term : Predict l_s-steps ahead events

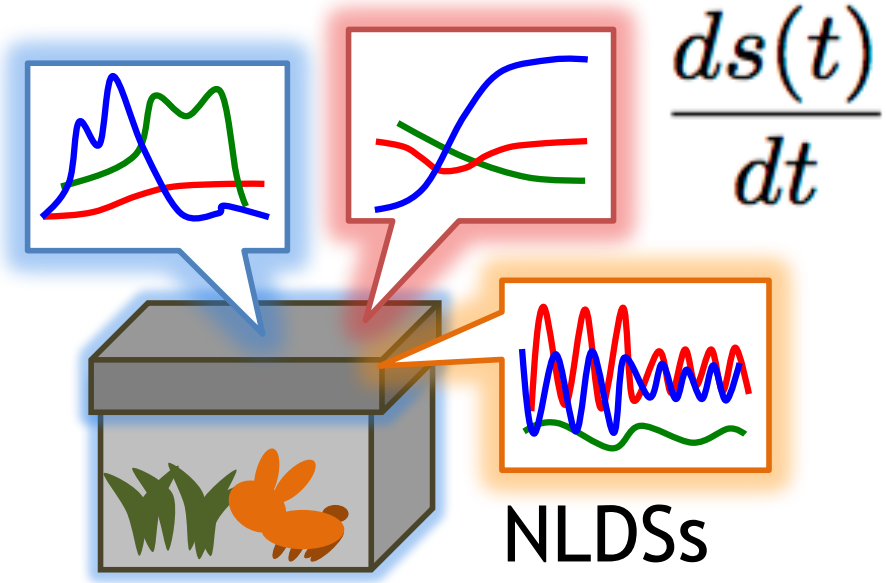
Continuous : Capture dynamic patterns

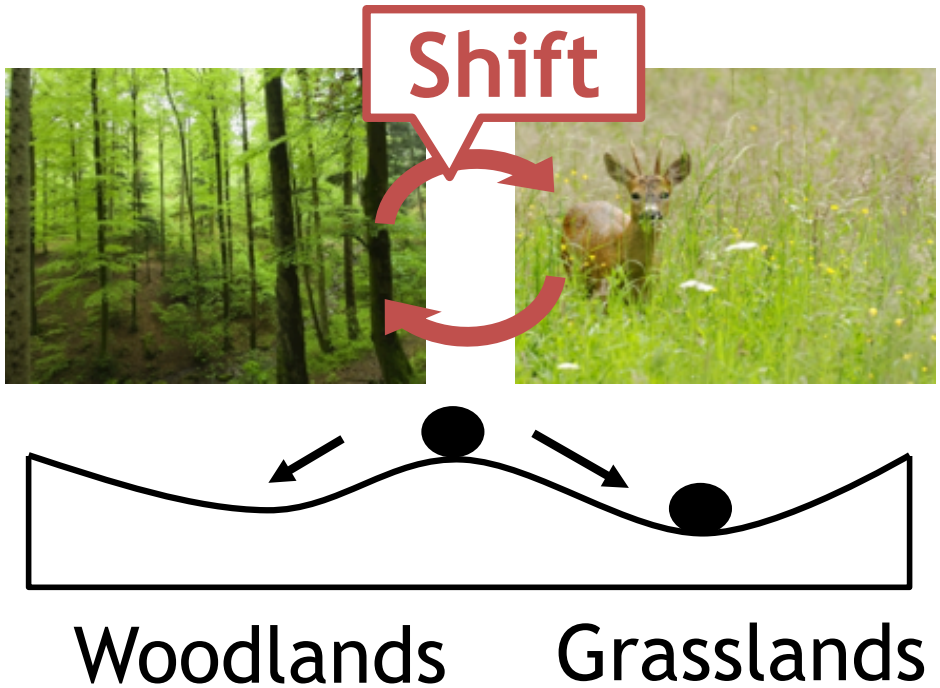


(b) Adaptive non-linear modeling

Non-linear : Non-linear dynamical systems

Adaptive : Regime shifts (ecosystems)





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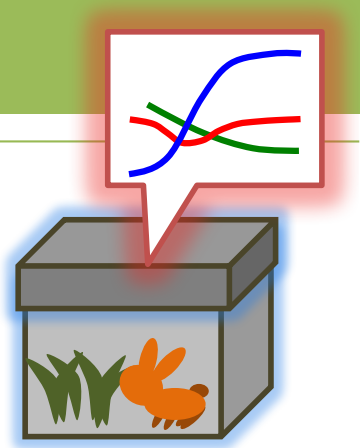

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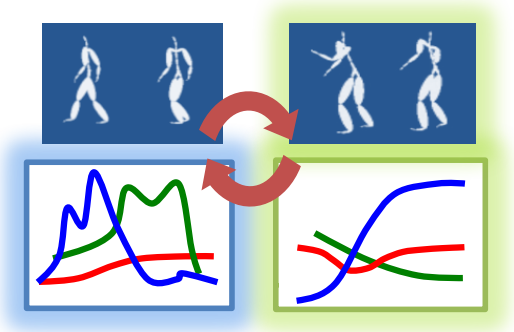

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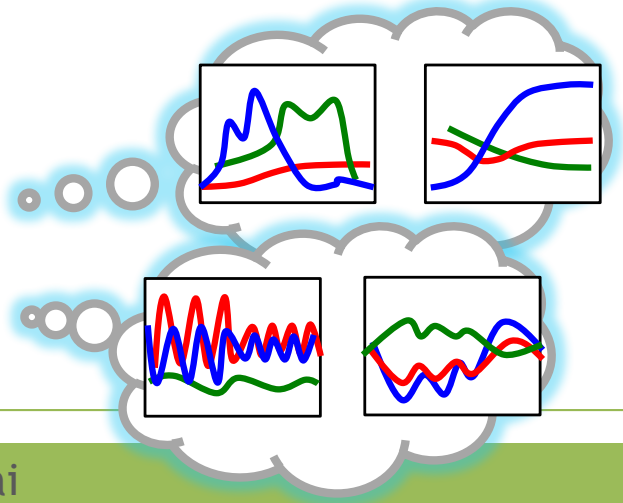

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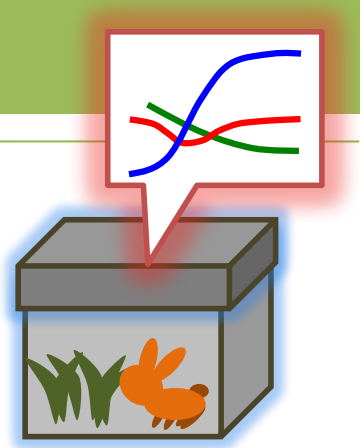

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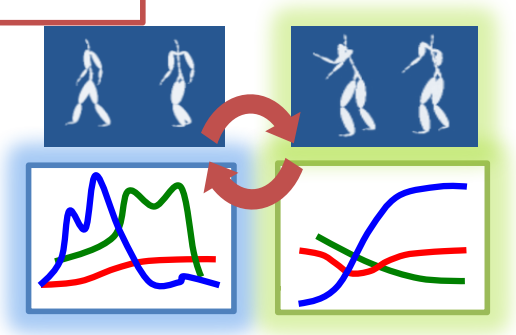

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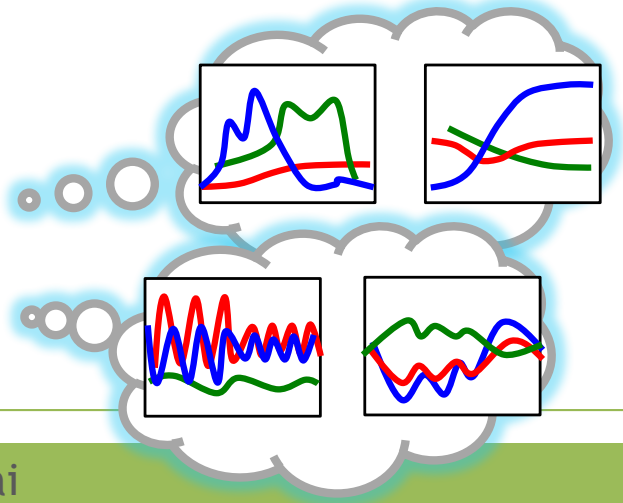

Latent non-linear dynamics

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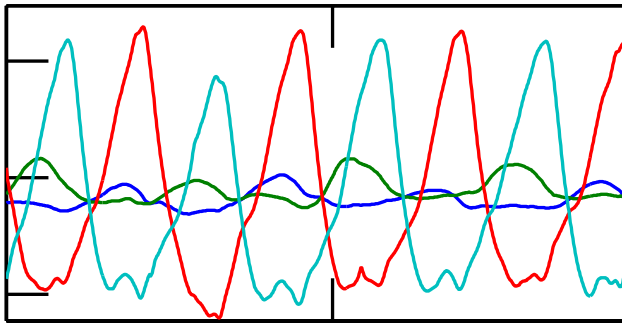
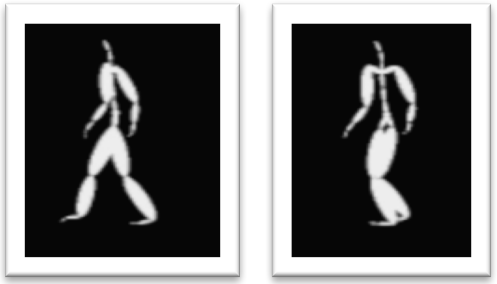
Various patterns ("**regimes**") in streams

walking





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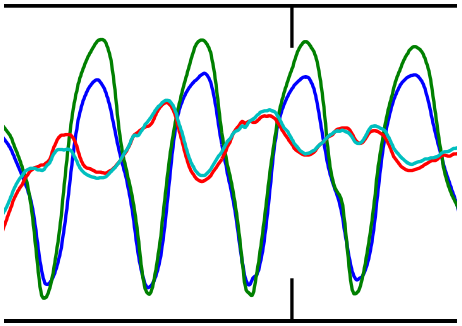

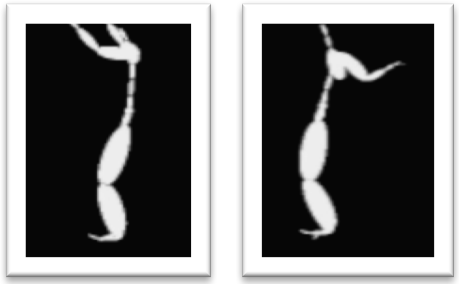

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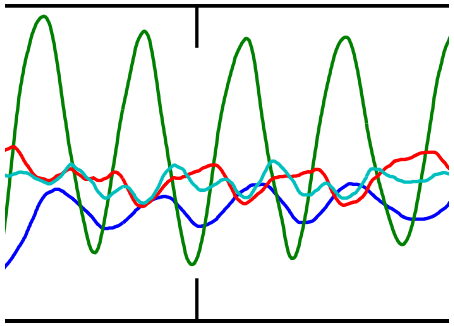

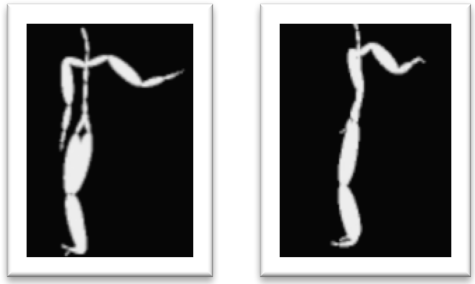

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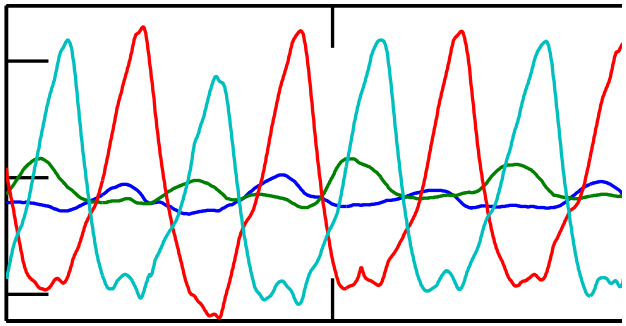

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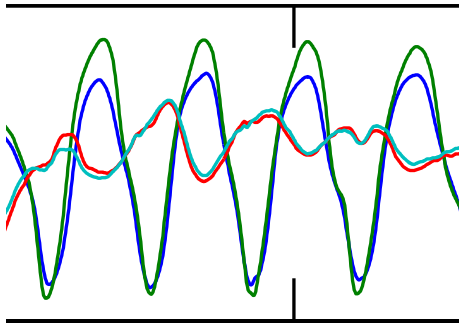

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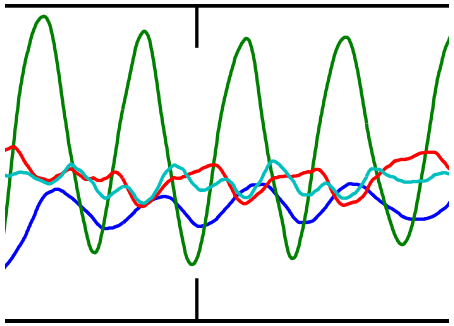

Q. How can we effectively capture dynamics of "regimes"?

Latent non-linear dynamics

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Details

A. Latent NLDS

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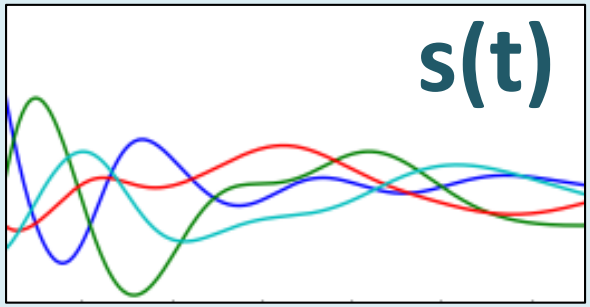
Potential activity



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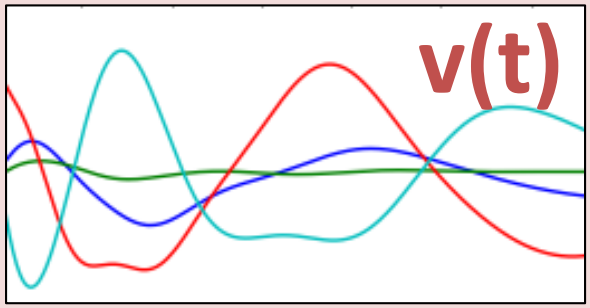

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Exponential

Linear

Non-linear

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Projection

* $S(0)=s_0$

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \{\boldsymbol{s}_0, \boldsymbol{p}, \mathbf{Q}, \mathcal{A}, \boldsymbol{u}, \mathbf{V}\}$$

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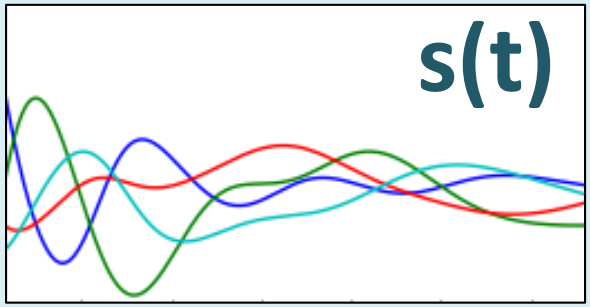

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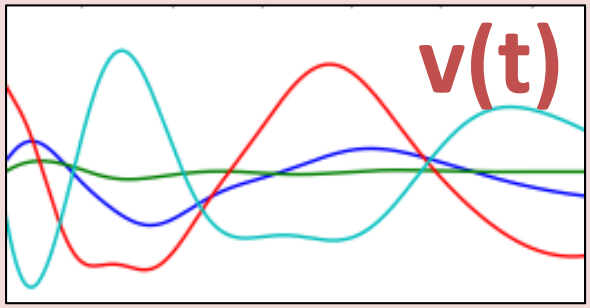

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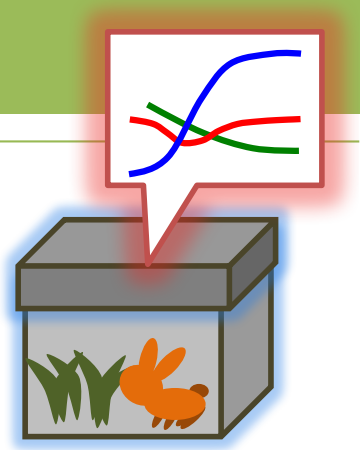

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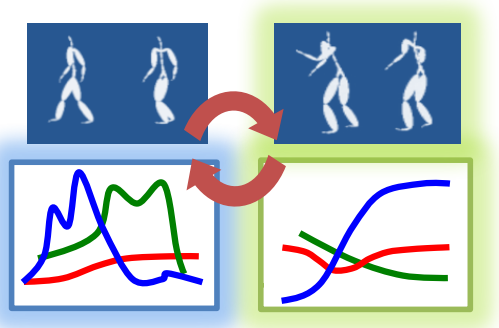

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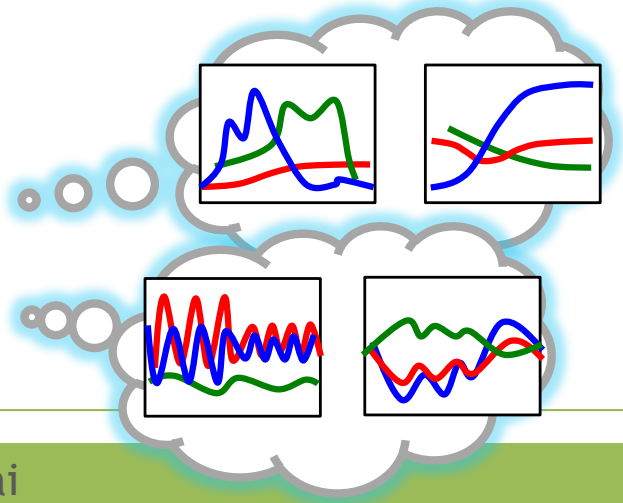

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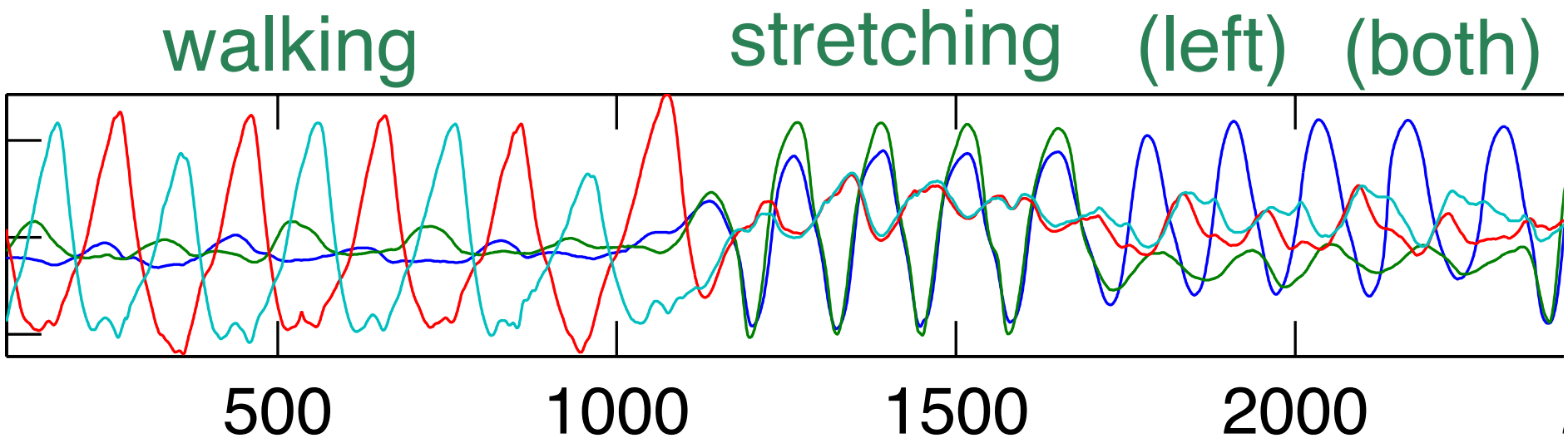

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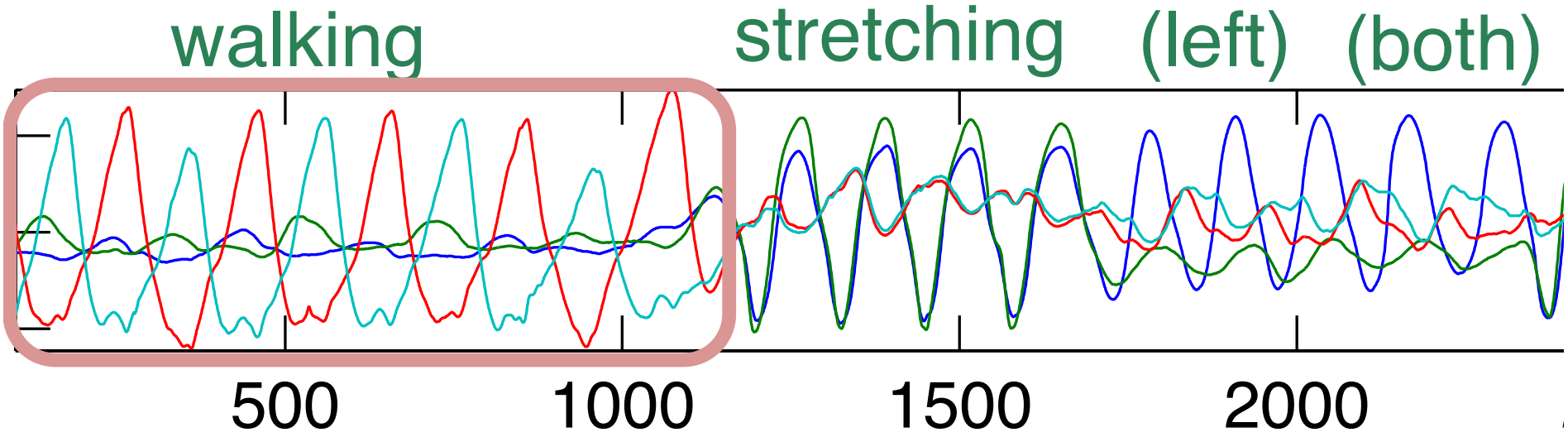

Regime #1
"Walk"

Regime shifts in streams

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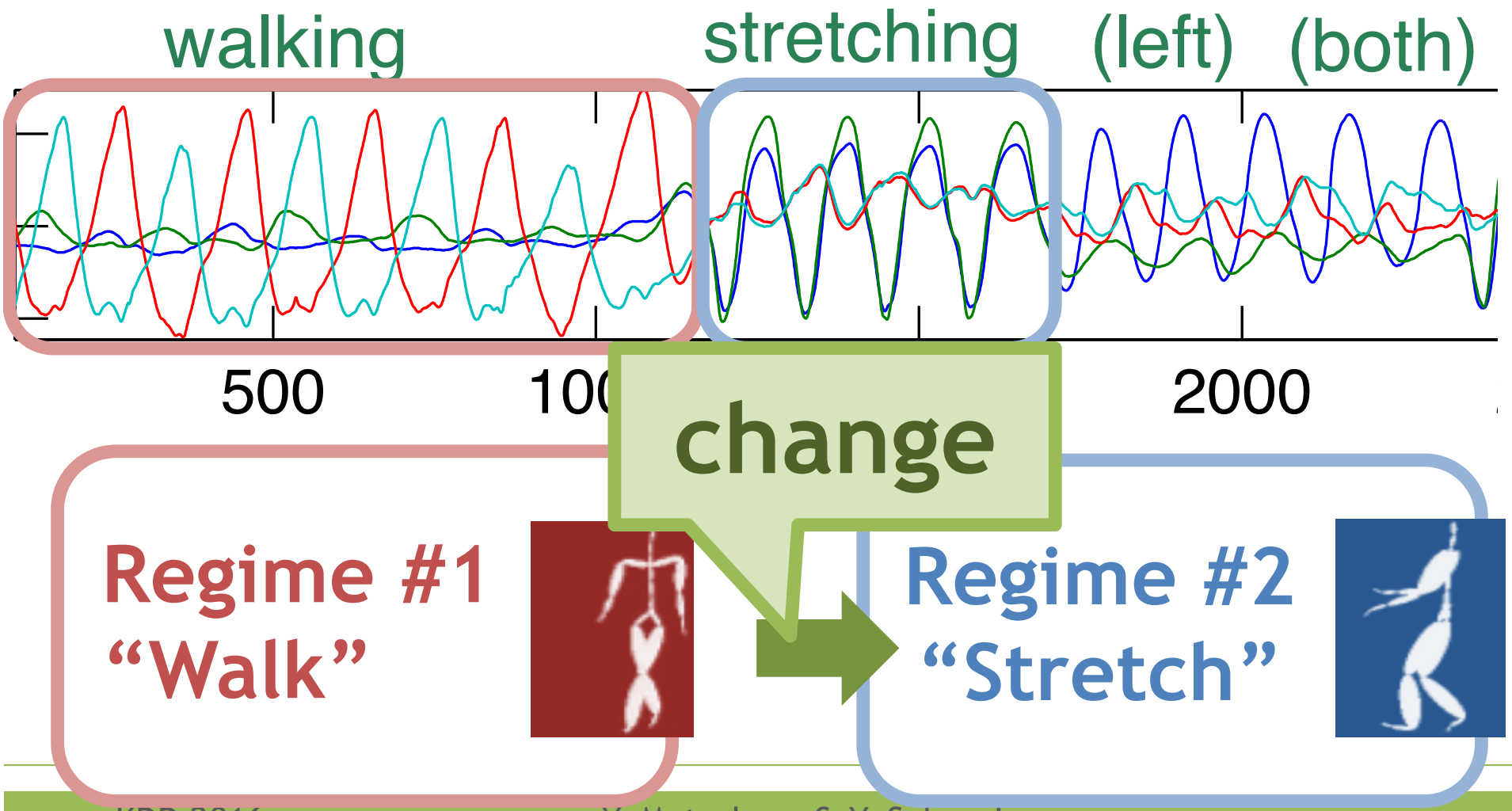

Regime shifts in streams

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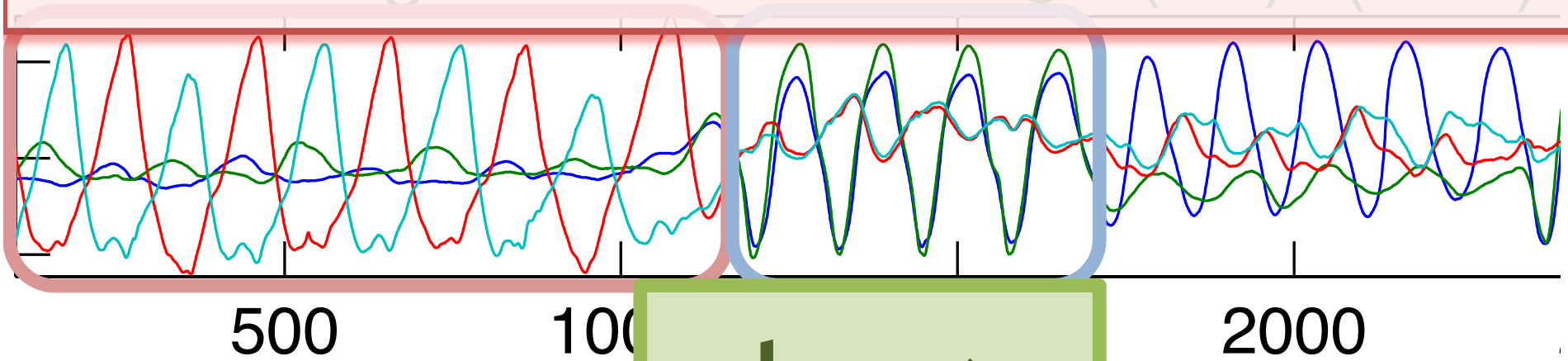

change

Regime #1 "Walk"

Regime #2 "Stretch"

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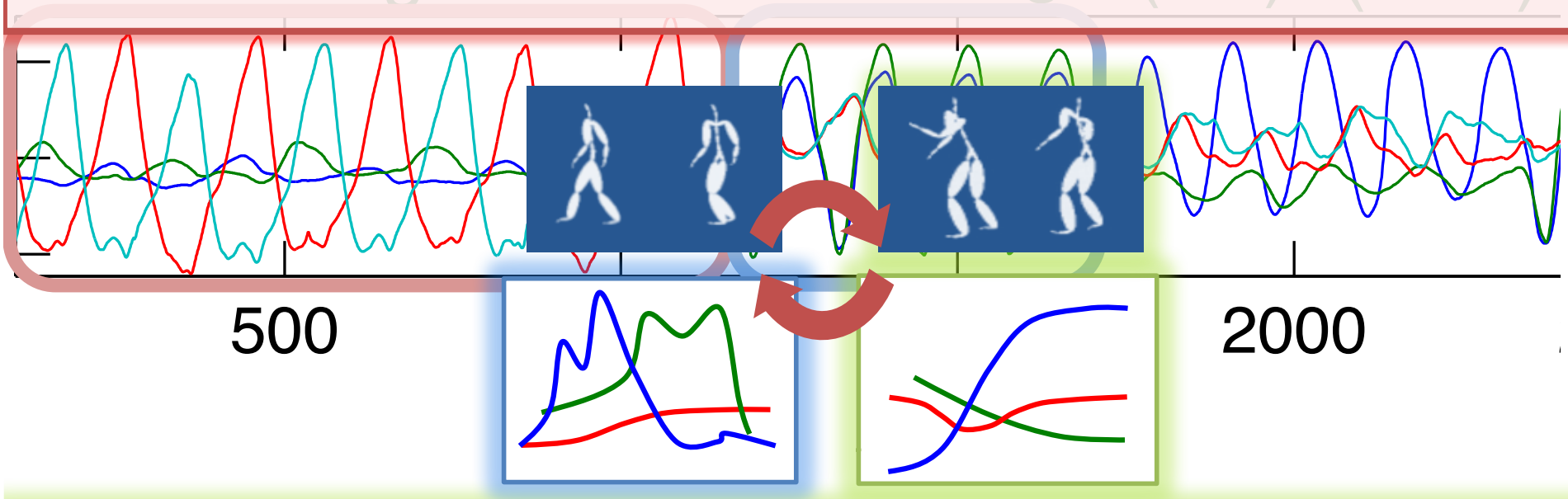

A: "Regime Shifts in Streams"!

Regime shifts in natural systems

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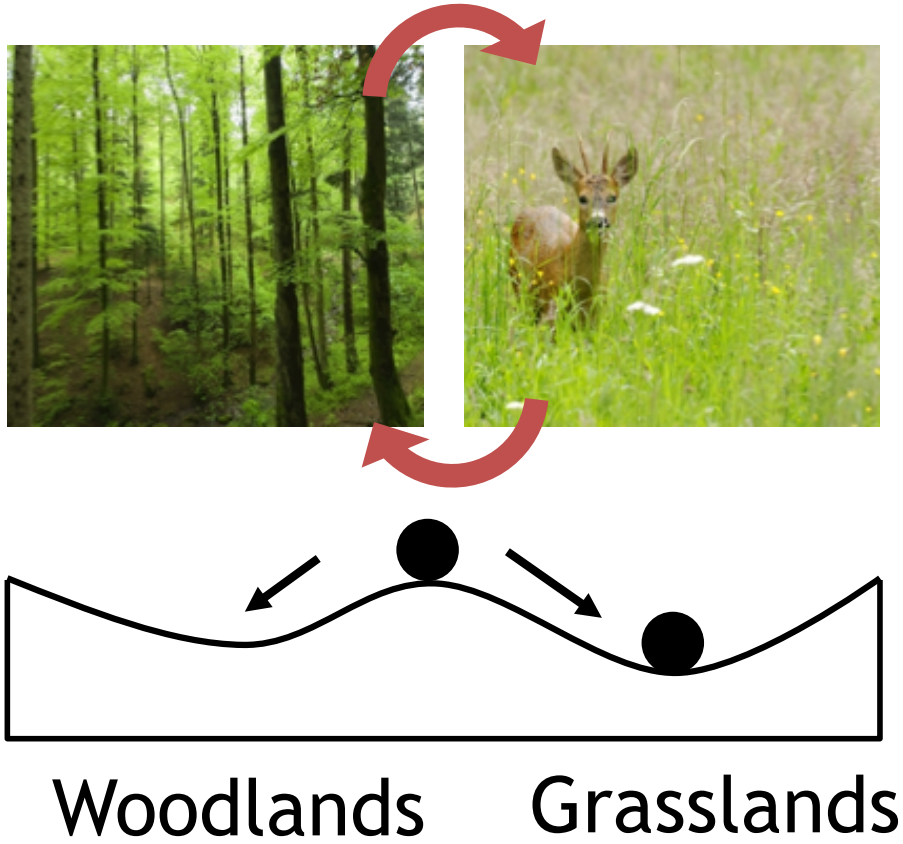
Abrupt changes in the structure of complex systems



Ecological system

Examples:

- Woodland vs. grassland
- Coral vs. macro algae
- Desert vs. vegetation

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Regime shifts in natural systems

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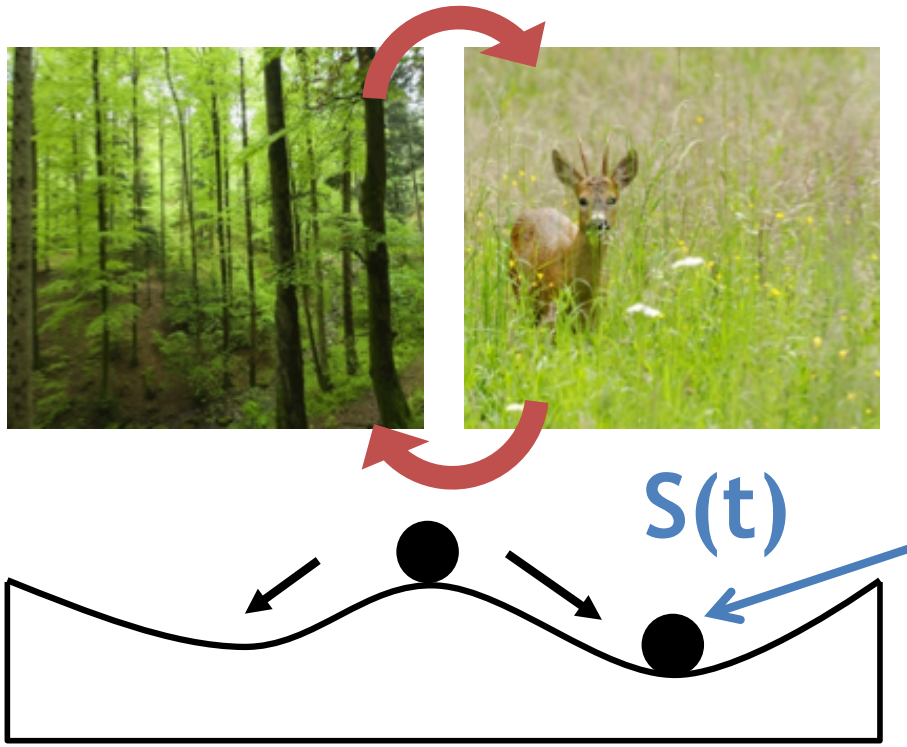

Ecological system

Details

$$\frac{ds(t)}{dt} = a_0 + a_1 s(t) + a_2 f(s(t))$$

Time-evolving ecosystem property (nutrients/soils)

a_0: environmental factor
a_1: growth/decay rate
a_2: recover rate

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Regime shifts in event streams

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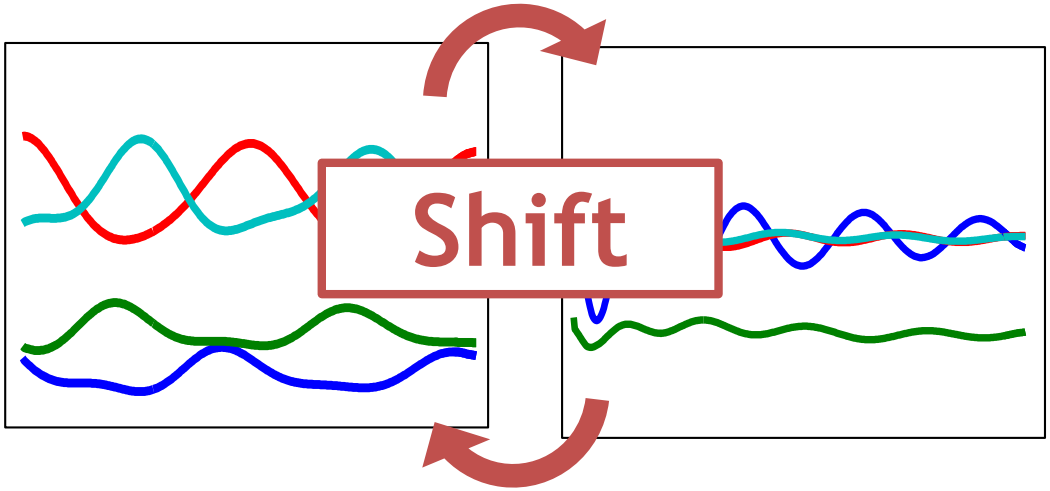

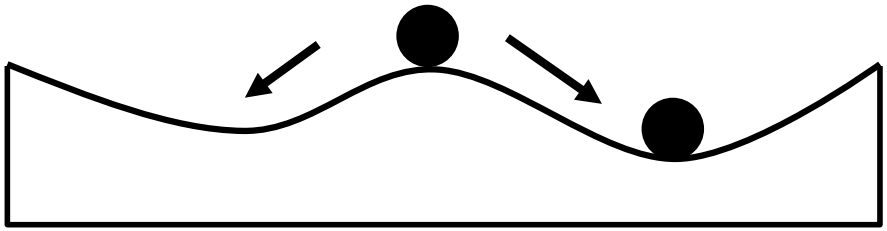

Woodlands Grasslands

Walking Wiping

Ecological system **Motion sensors**

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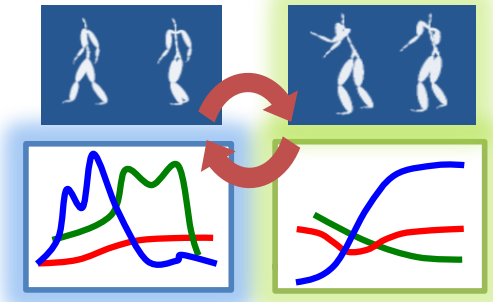
L-NLDS + regime activity



$$\frac{d\boldsymbol{s}_i(t)}{dt} = \boldsymbol{p}_i + \mathbf{Q}_i \boldsymbol{s}_i(t) + \mathcal{A}_i \mathbf{S}_i(t) \quad (i = 1, \ldots, c)$$

Details

$$\frac{d\boldsymbol{w}(t)}{dt} = \boldsymbol{r}(t), \ \mathbf{R} = \{\boldsymbol{r}(t)\}_{t=1}^{t_c}$$

R: Regime shift dynamics

$$\boldsymbol{v}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{c} w_i(t) \left[\boldsymbol{u}_i + \mathbf{V}_i \boldsymbol{s}_i(t)\right]$$

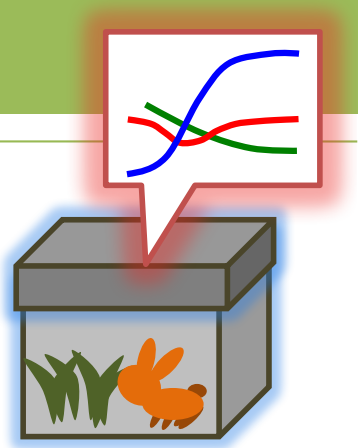
$$\boldsymbol{\Theta} = \{\underbrace{\boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \ldots, \boldsymbol{\theta}_c}, \mathbf{R}\}$$

c: # of regimes

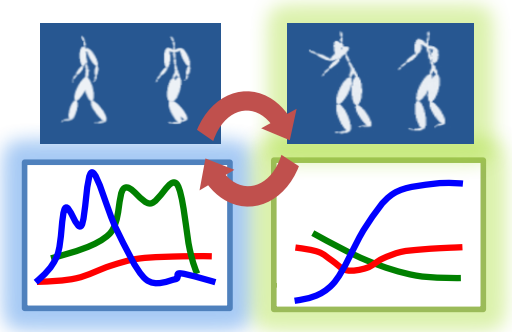
Proposed model

Main ideas

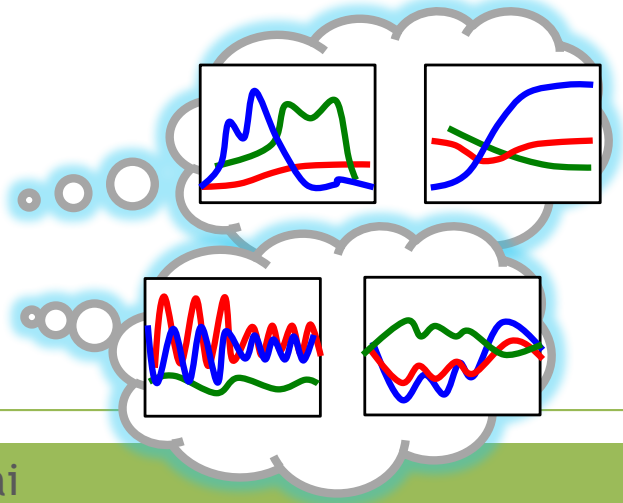
✔ P1 Latent non-linear dynamics



✔ P2 Regime shifts in streams



P3 Nested structure



Nested structure

P3

Nested, multi-scale dynamical activities

Chicken dance

Nested structure

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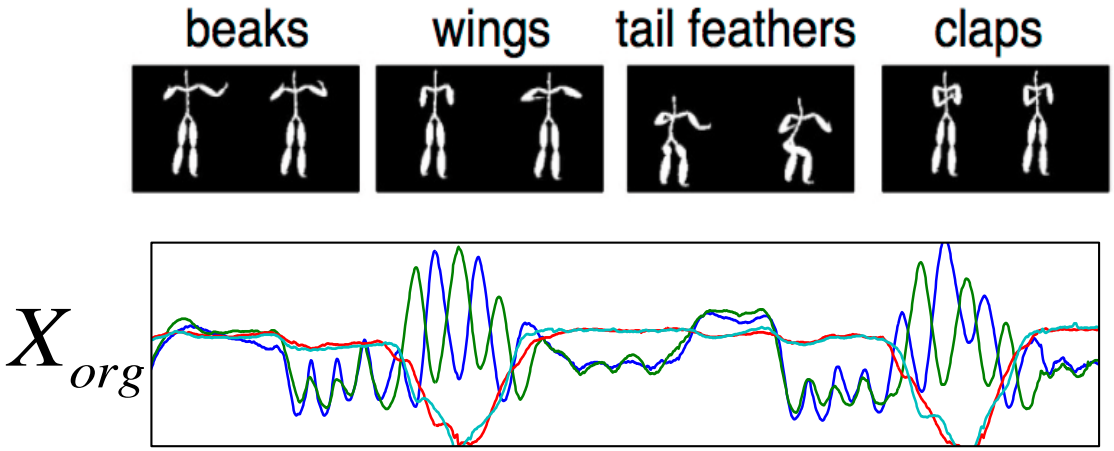

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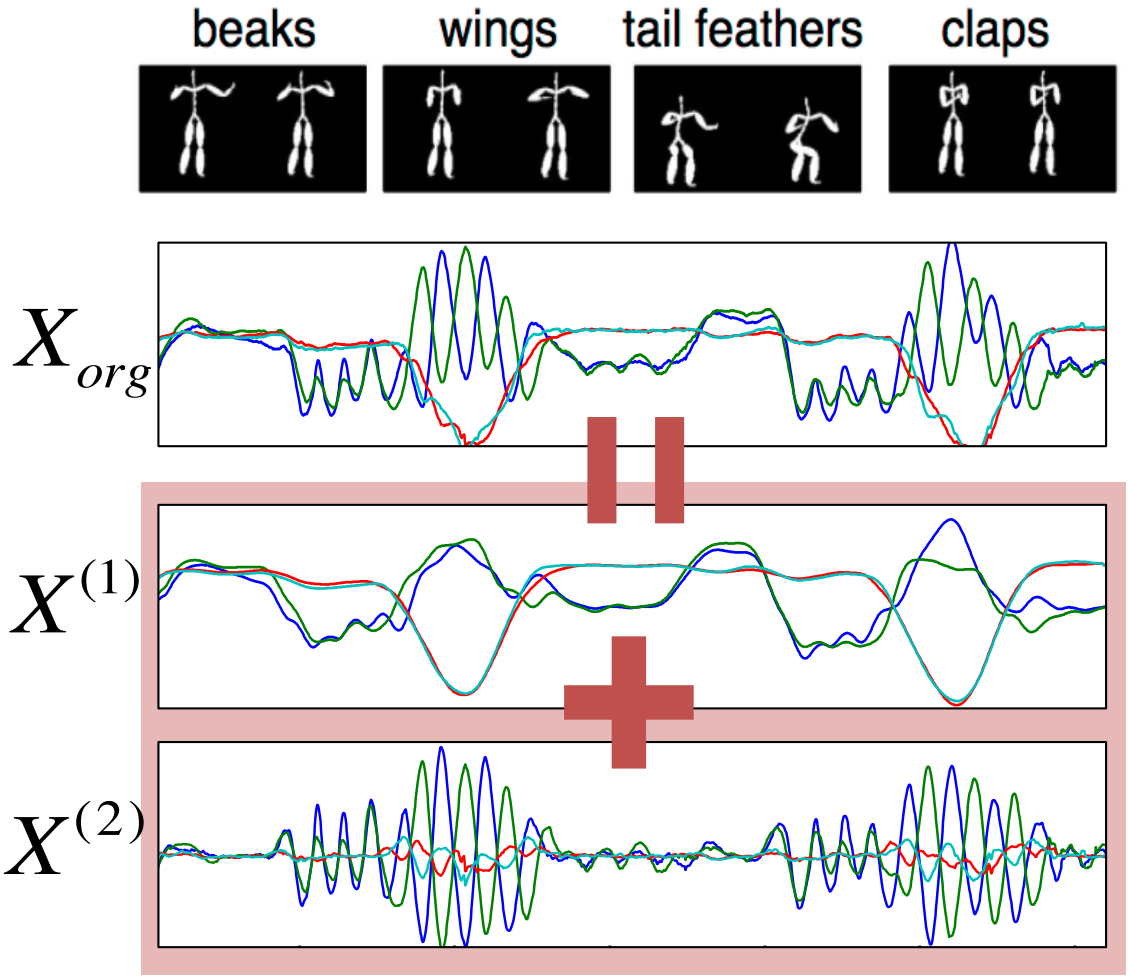

Chicken dance

Original events

$X^{(1)}$: Long-term

+

$X^{(2)}$: Short-term

Nested structure

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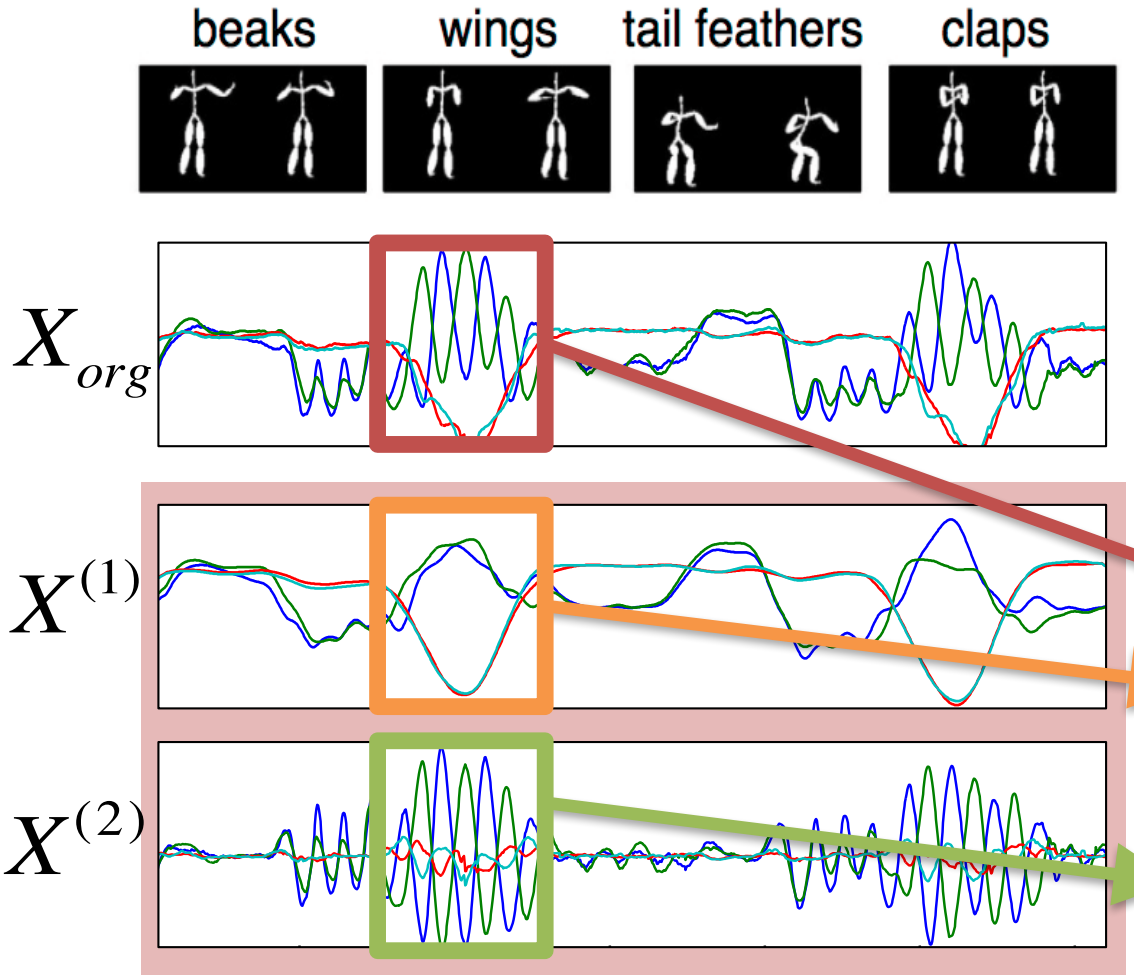


Chicken dance

$$X_{org} = X^{(1)} + X^{(2)}$$

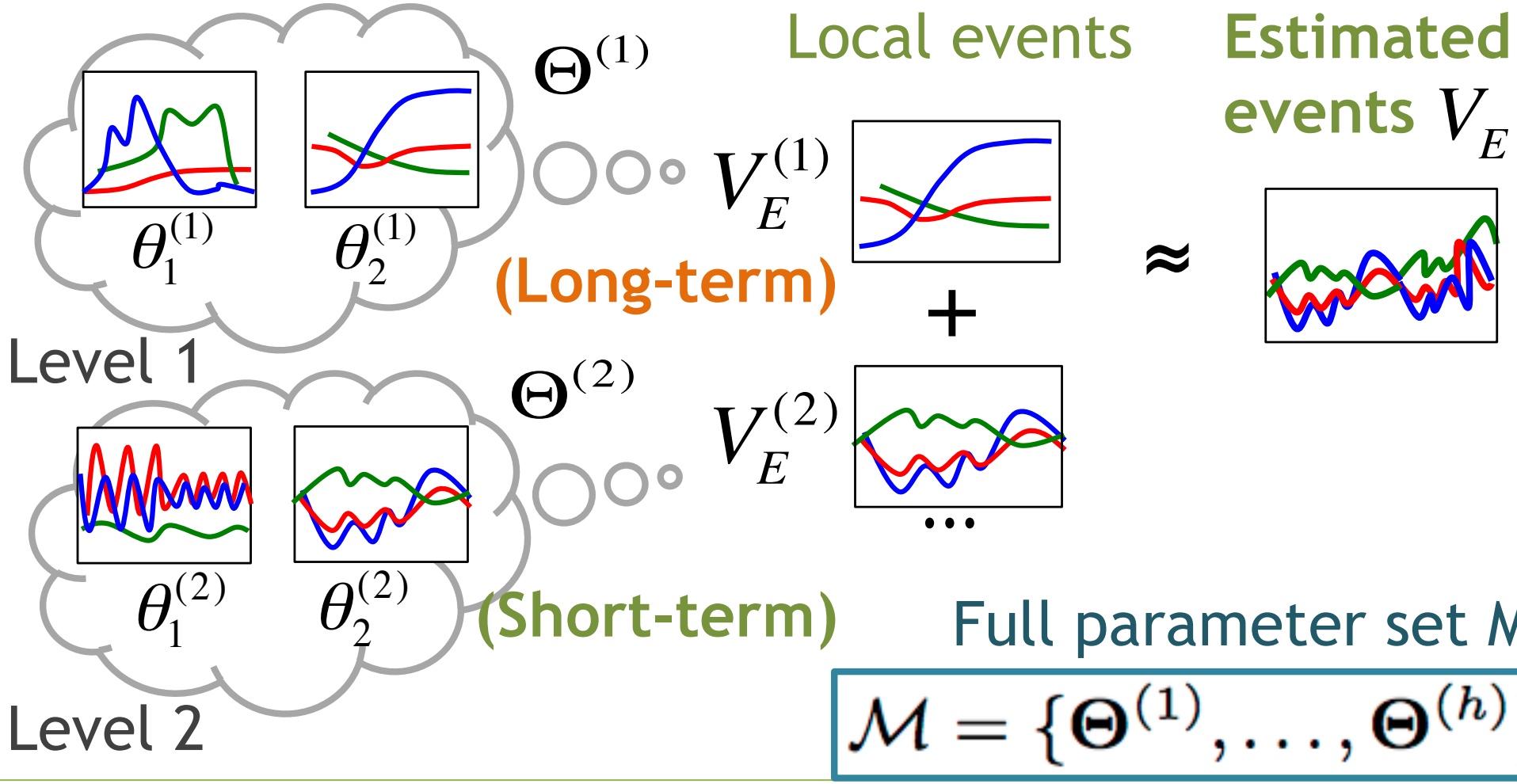
Tail feathers =
bending knees, once
+
moving arms, quickly

Nested structure

P3

Details

Multi-level modeling structure



Full parameter set M

$$\mathcal{M} = \{\Theta^{(1)}, \ldots, \Theta^{(h)}\}$$

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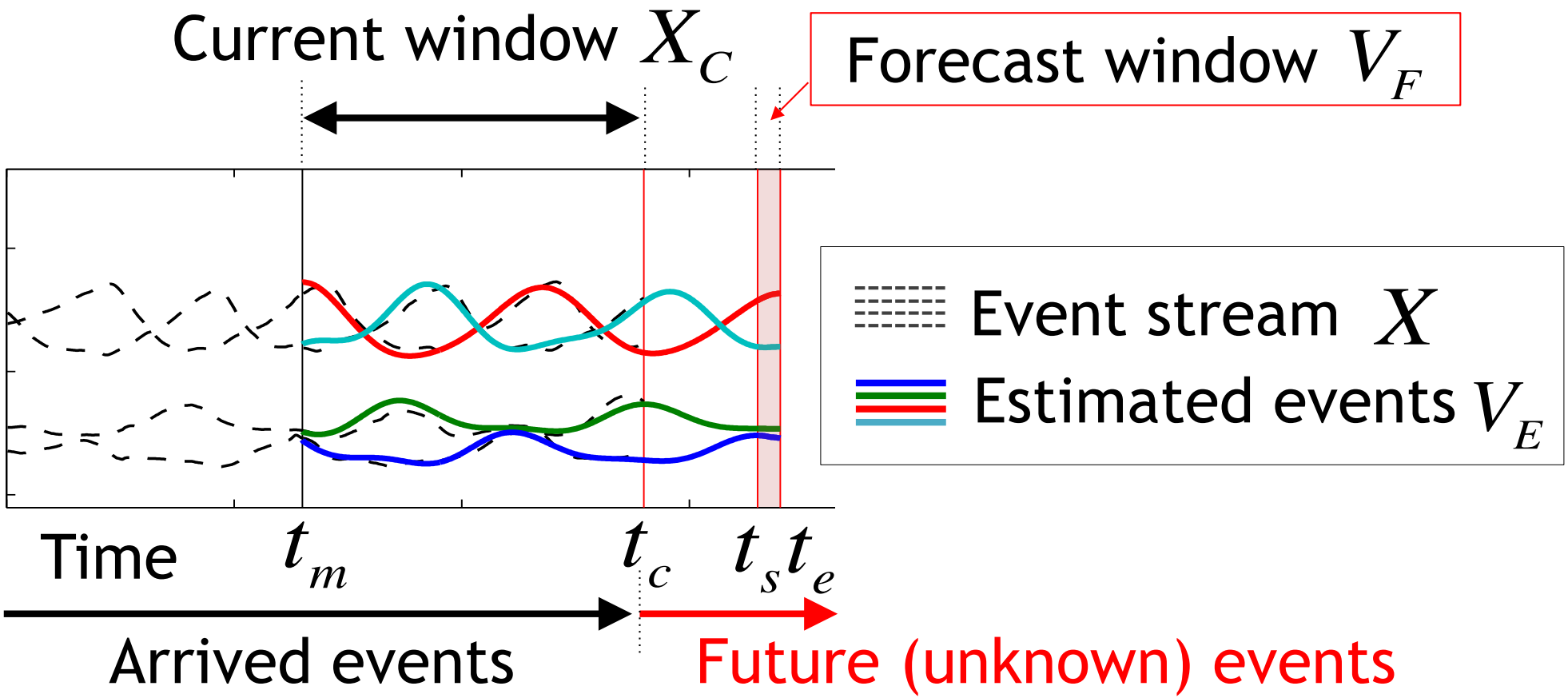

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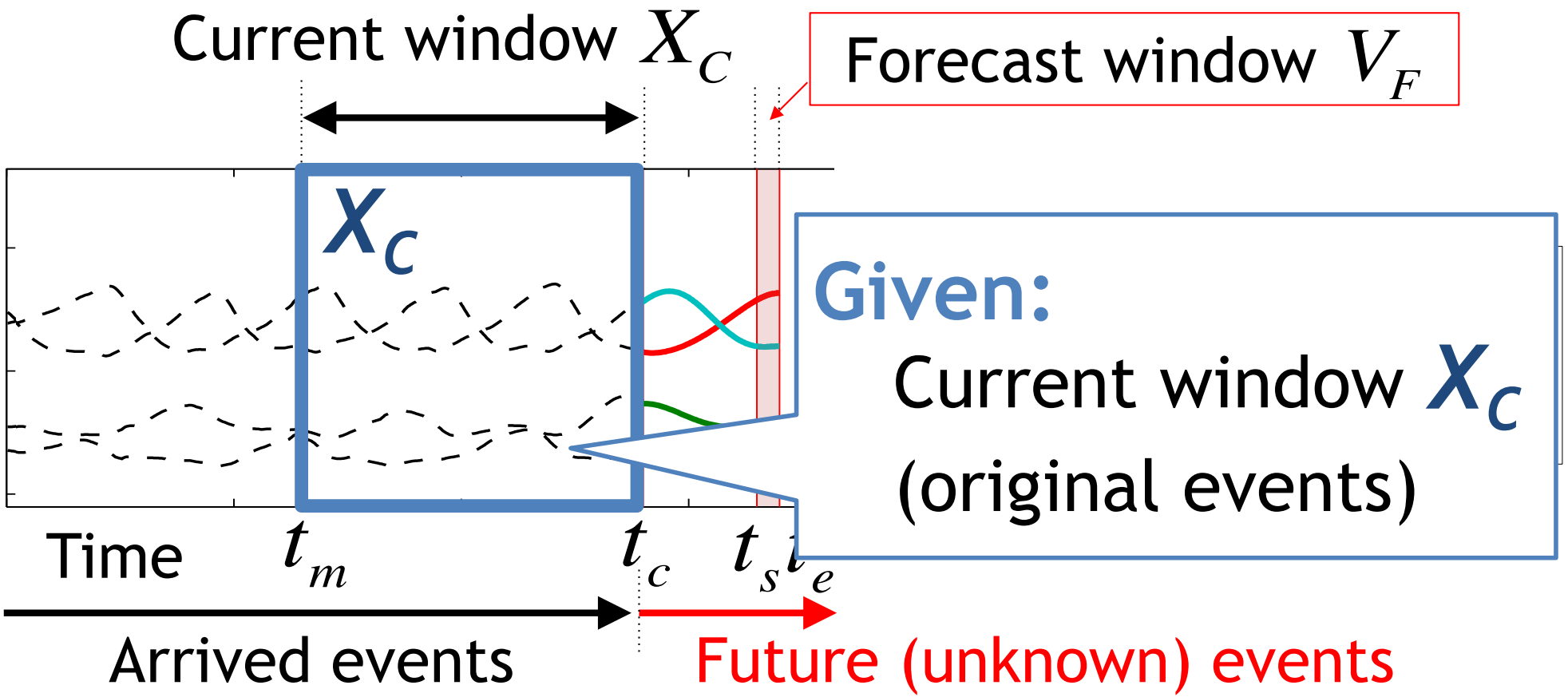

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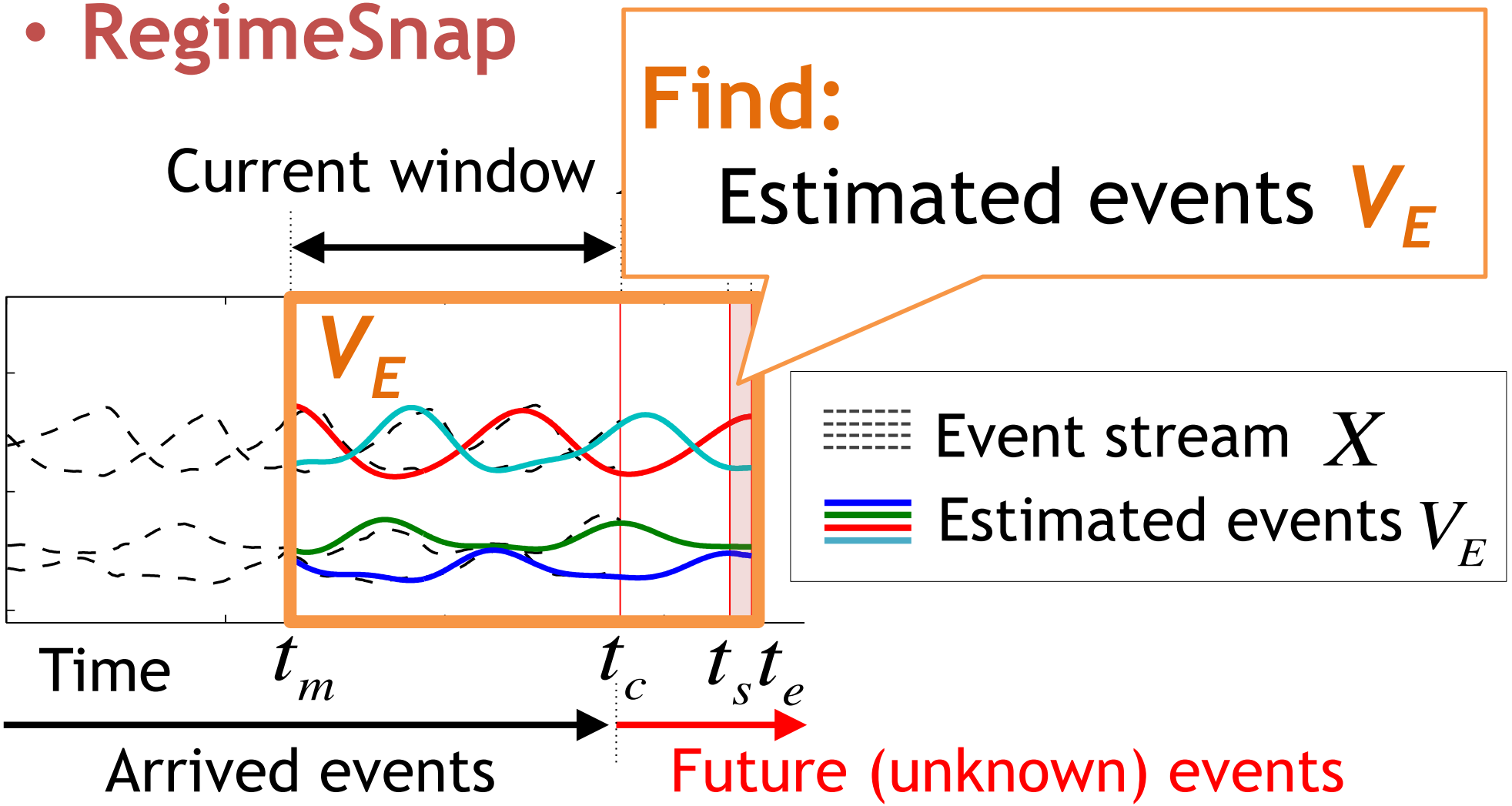

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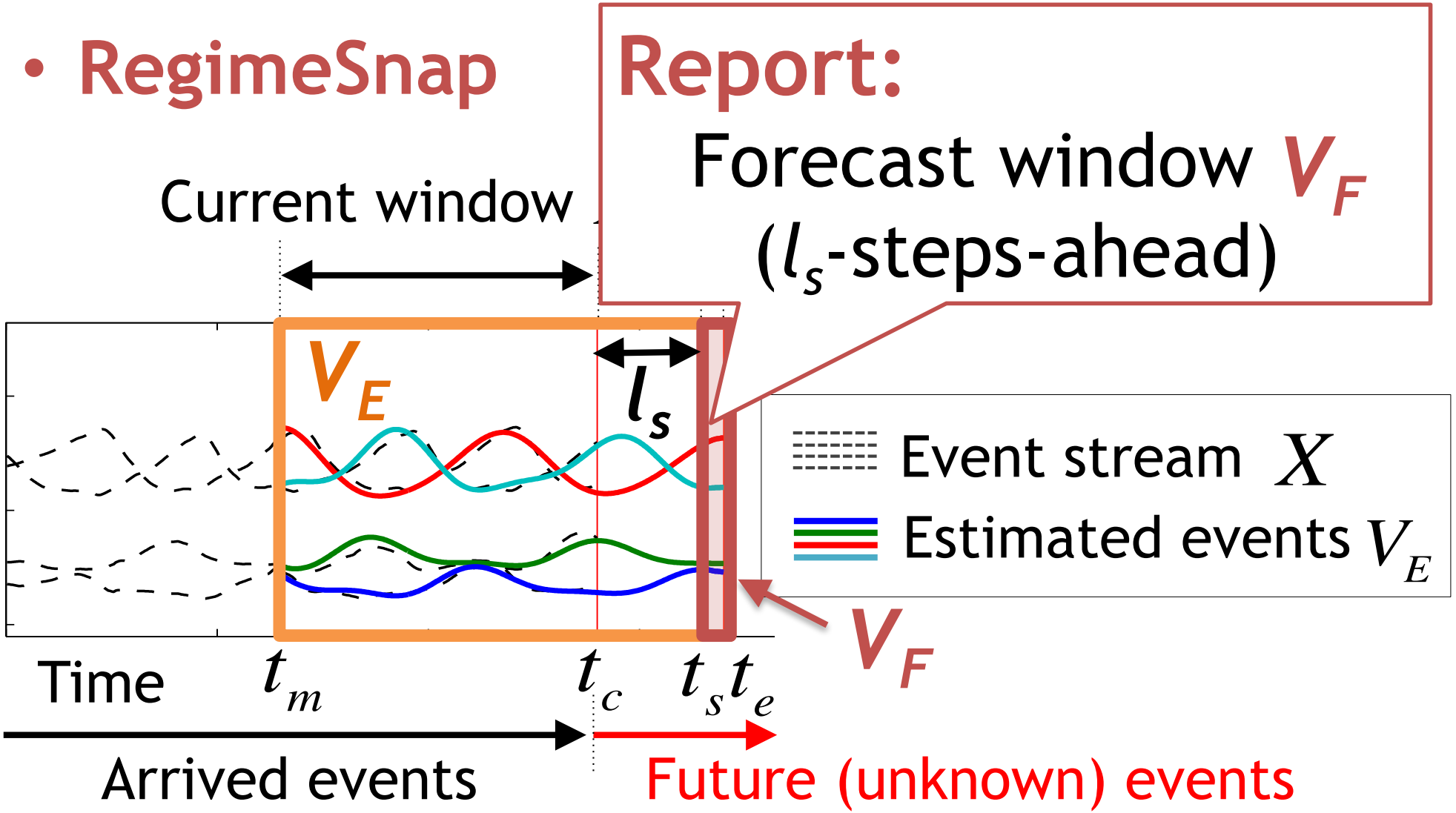

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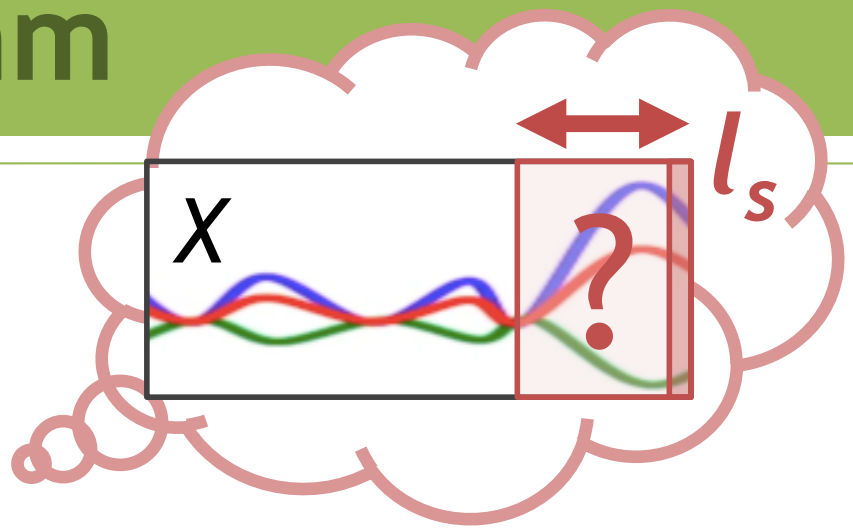


- Proposed algorithms

A1 **RegimeCast**

Report l_s-steps-ahead future events

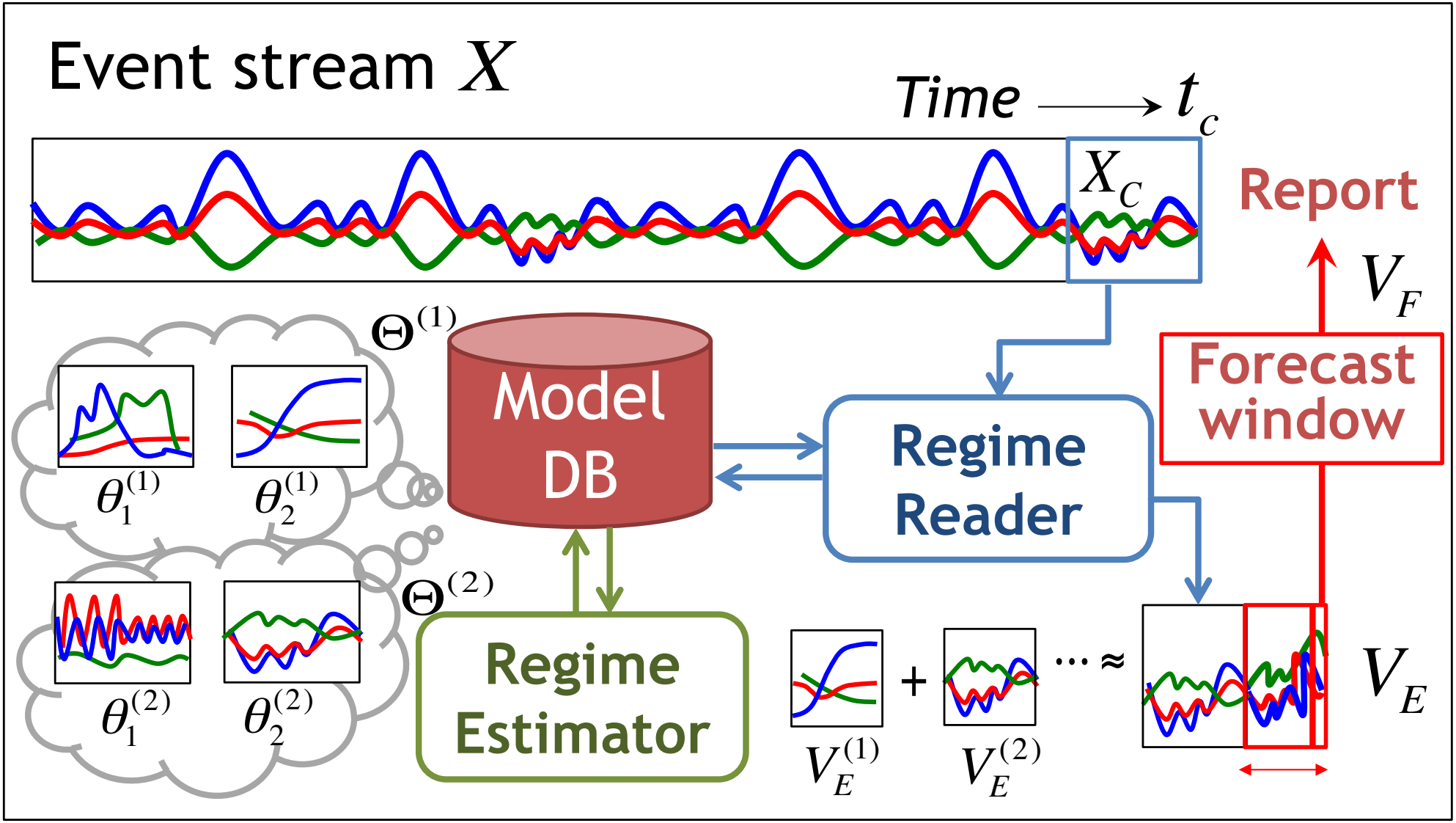
A2 **RegimeReader**

Identify current regime dynamics

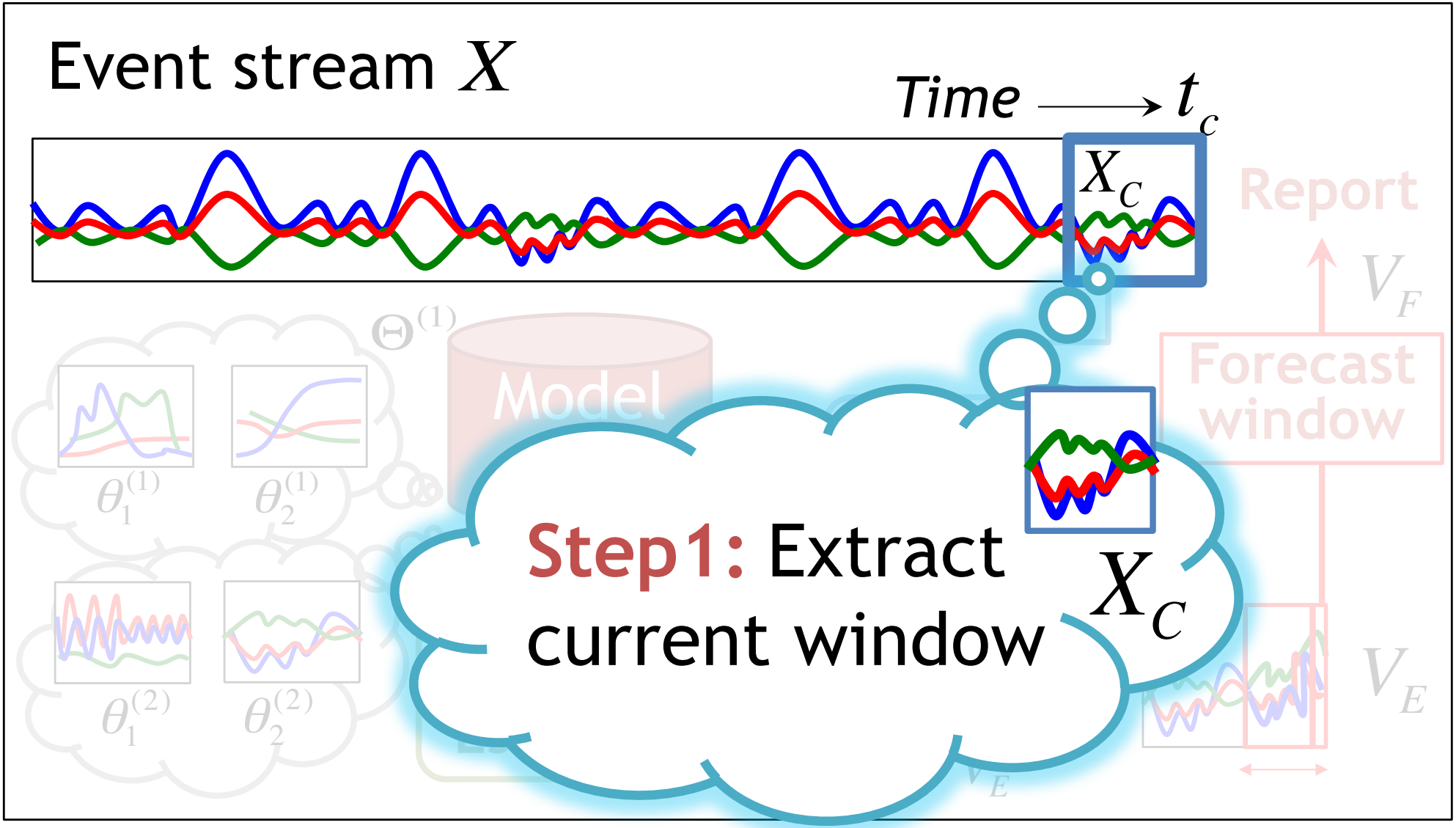
A3 **RegimeEstimator**

Estimates regime parameter set θ

RegimeCast


Event stream X
Time $\longrightarrow t_c$
X_C
Report
V_F
Forecast window
$\Theta^{(1)}$
$\theta_1^{(1)}$
$\theta_2^{(1)}$
$\Theta^{(2)}$
$\theta_1^{(2)}$
$\theta_2^{(2)}$
Model DB
Regime Reader
Regime Estimator
$V_E^{(1)}$
+
$V_E^{(2)}$
$\cdots \approx$
V_E

RegimeCast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$\Theta^{(1)}$
Model
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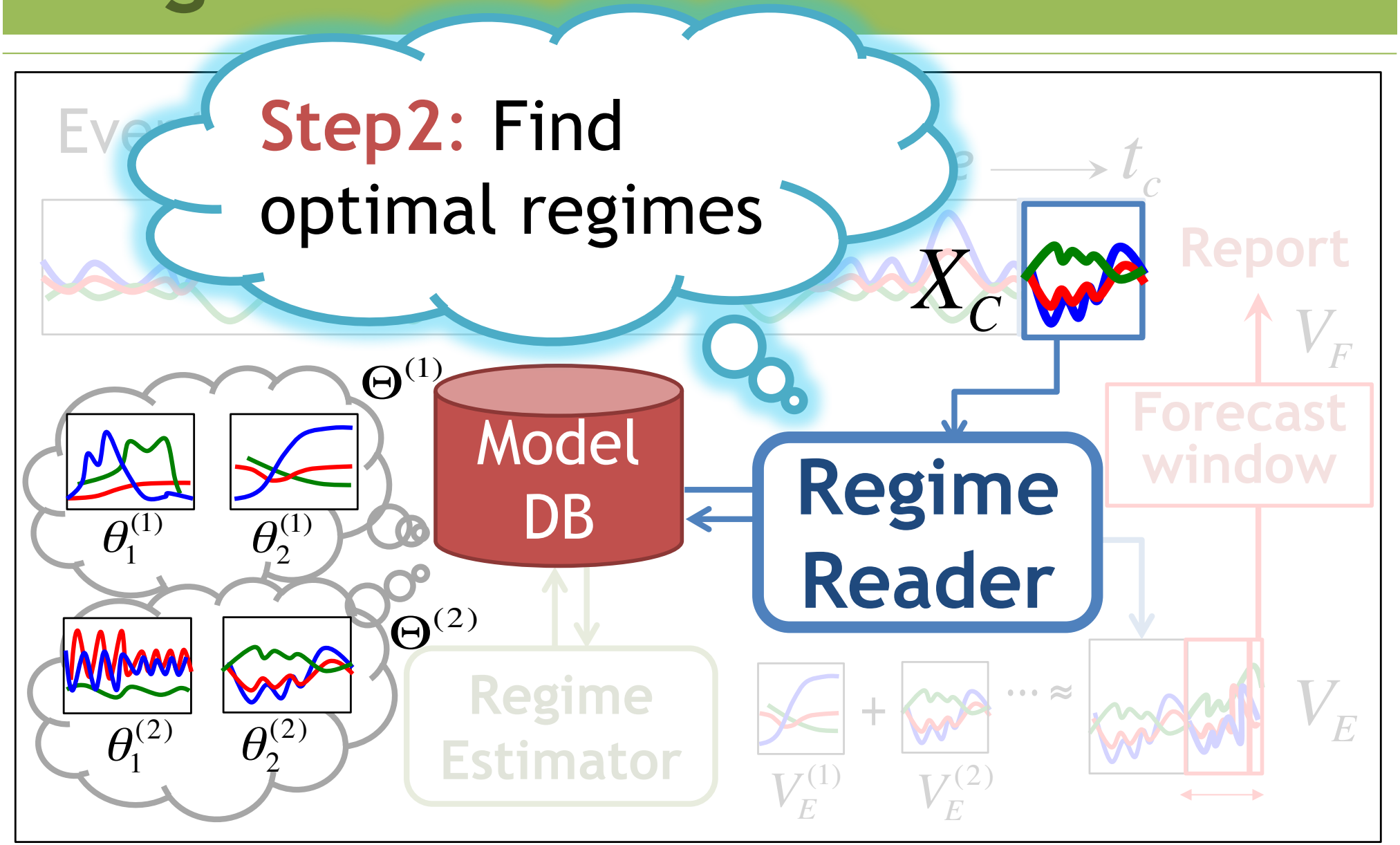
$\theta_2^{(2)}$
V_E
Step1: Extract current window
X_C

RegimeCast


Step2: Find optimal regimes
t_c
X_C
Report
V_F
Forecast window
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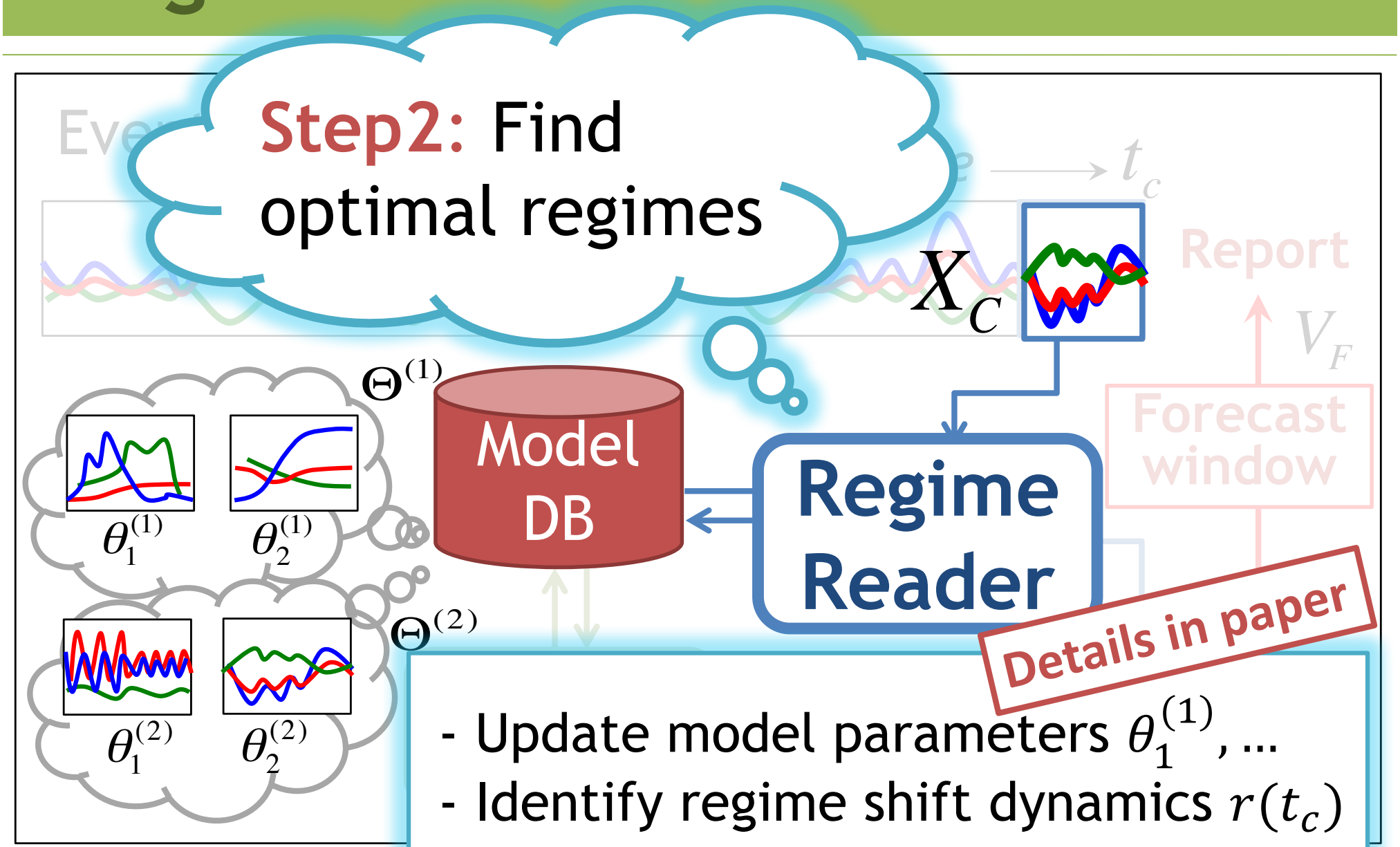
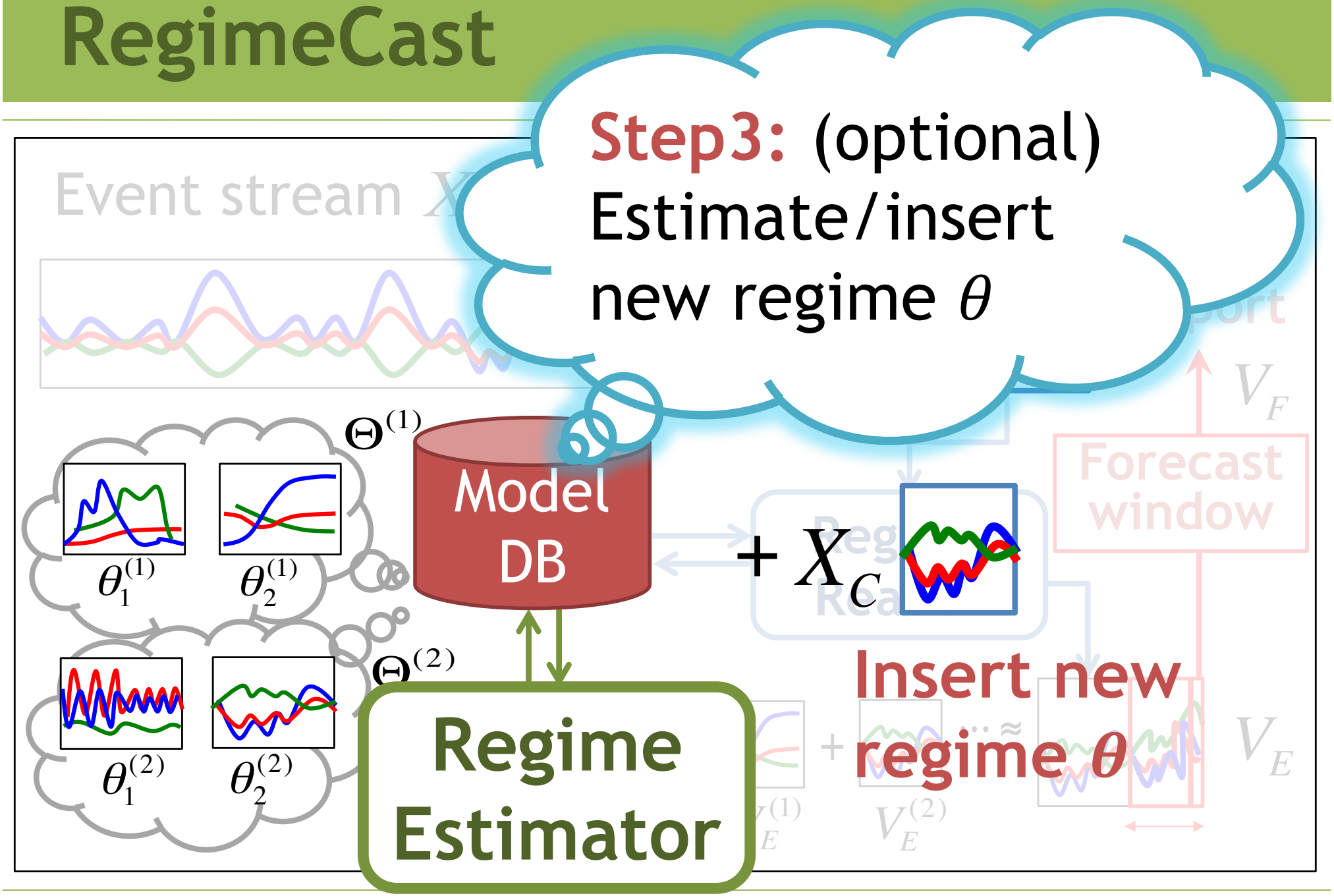


- Update model parameters $\theta_1^{(1)}, \ldots$
- Identify regime shift dynamics $r(t_c)$

RegimeCast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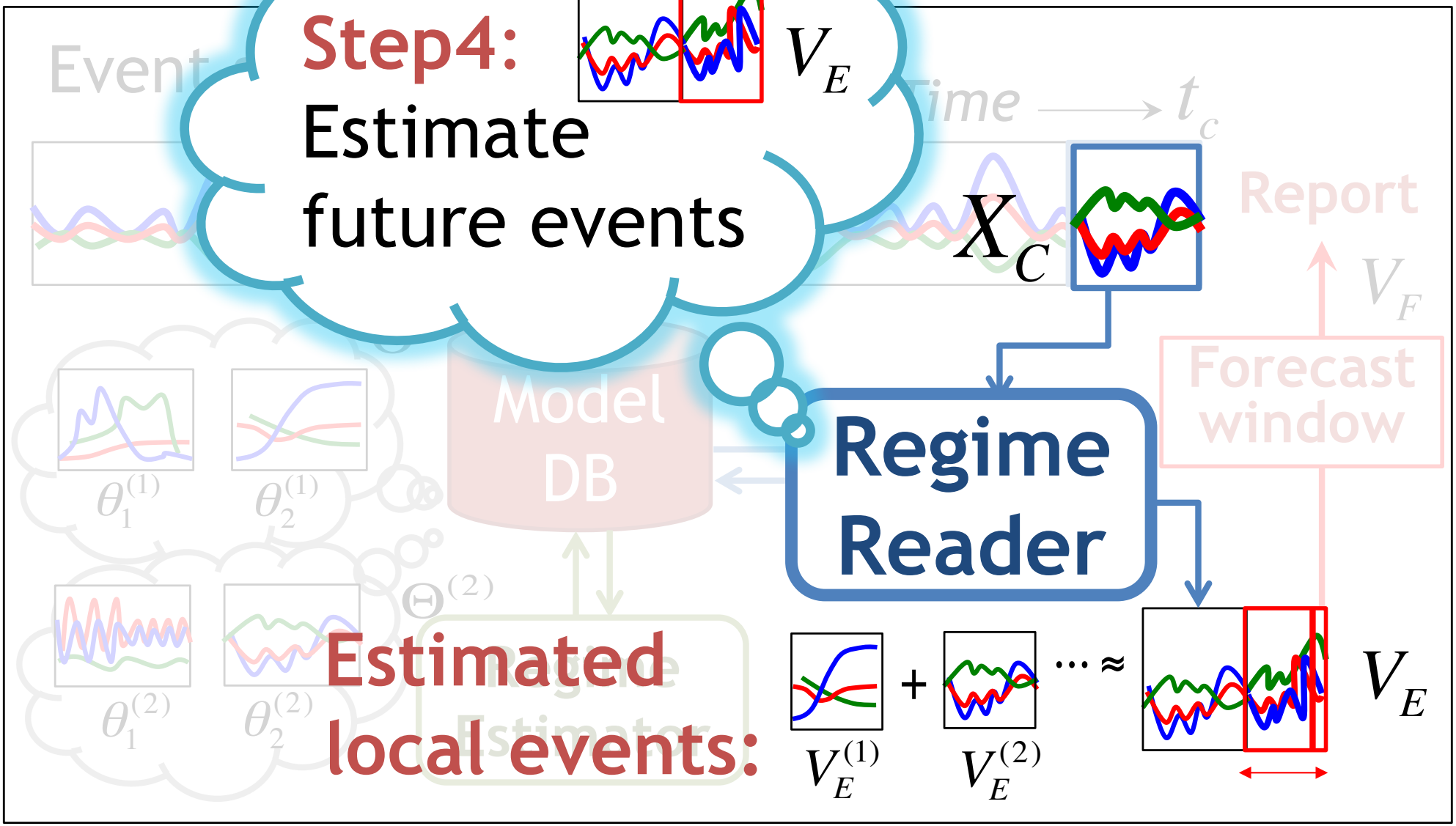
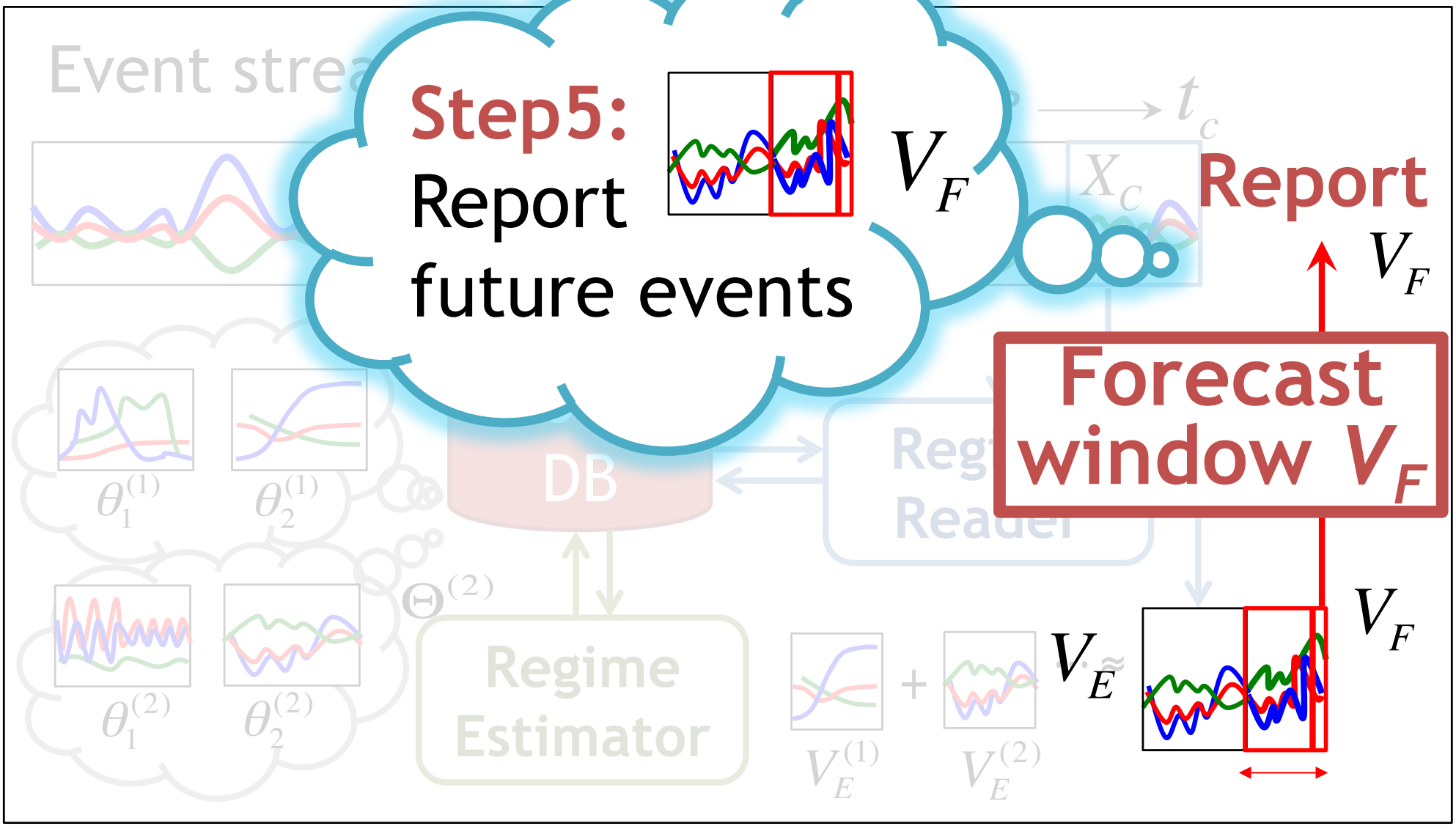
Estimate/insert
new regime θ
Event stream X
$\Theta^{(1)}$
$\theta_1^{(1)}$
$\theta_2^{(1)}$
$\Theta^{(2)}$
$\theta_1^{(2)}$
$\theta_2^{(2)}$
Model
DB
$+ X_C$
Forecast
window
V_F
V_E
Insert new
regime θ
Regime
Estimator

RegimeCast


Step4:
Estimate
future events
V_E
Event
Time
t_c
X_C
Report
V_F
Forecast window
Model DB
Regime Reader
$\theta_1^{(1)}$
$\theta_2^{(1)}$
$\Theta^{(2)}$
$\theta_1^{(2)}$
$\theta_2^{(2)}$
Regime Estimator
Estimated local events:
$V_E^{(1)}$
$V_E^{(2)}$
V_E

RegimeCast


Step5:
Report
future events
V_F
Report
V_F
Forecast window V_F
V_F
V_E
t_c
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DB
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Regime Estimator
$\Theta^{(2)}$
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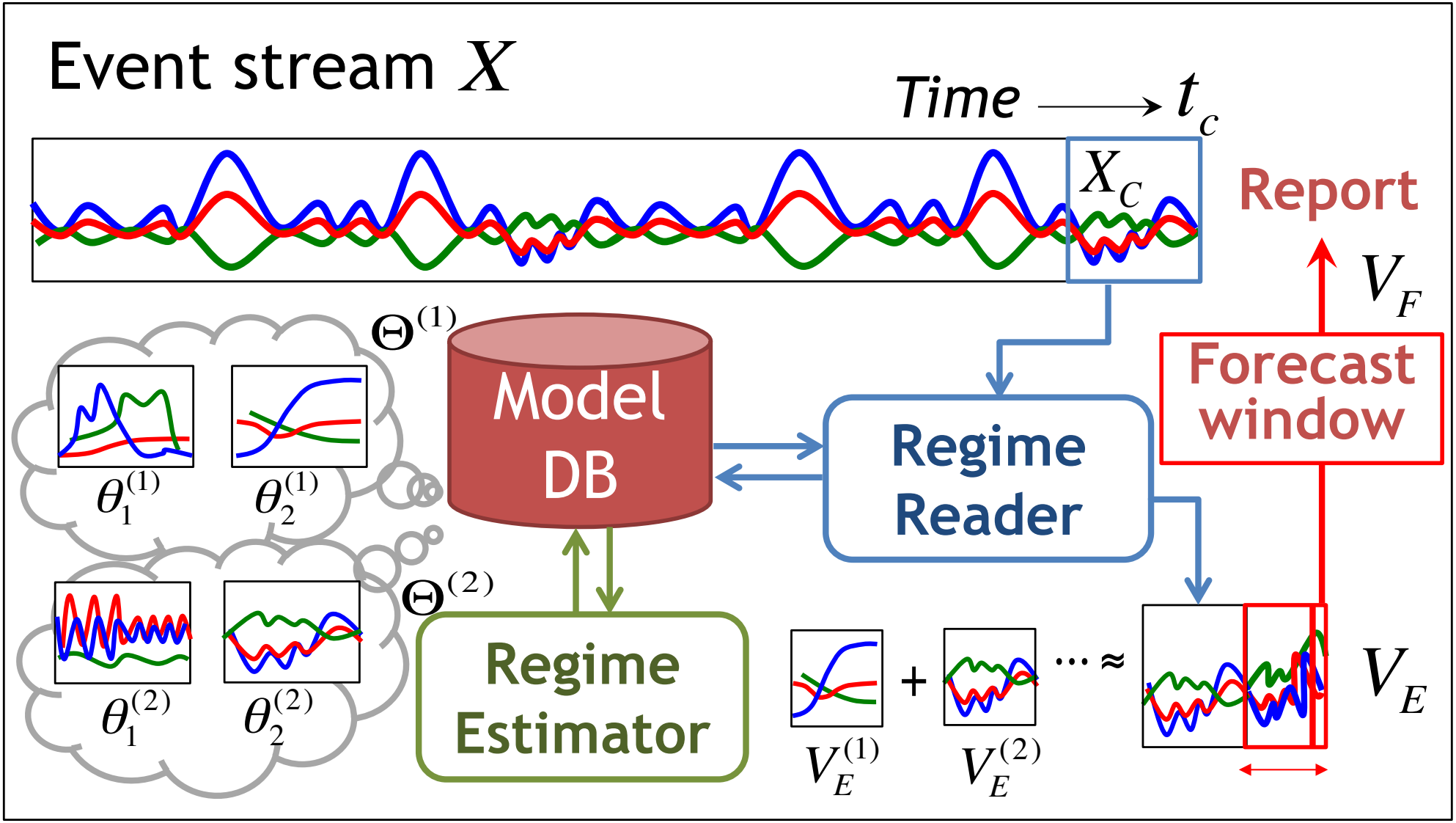
RegimeCast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Efficient event generation

Details

Q. How can we efficiently generate events?

A. **Dynamic point set (DPS)**

Scalability (RegimeCast)

at least $O(c \cdot l_e / \delta)$ at most $O(c \cdot l_e / \delta + l_c)$

(if there's a new regime in X_C)

- c : # of regimes
- l_e : Length of V_E
- δ : DPS interval
- l_c : Length of X_C

Details in paper

* It does not depend on data length t_c

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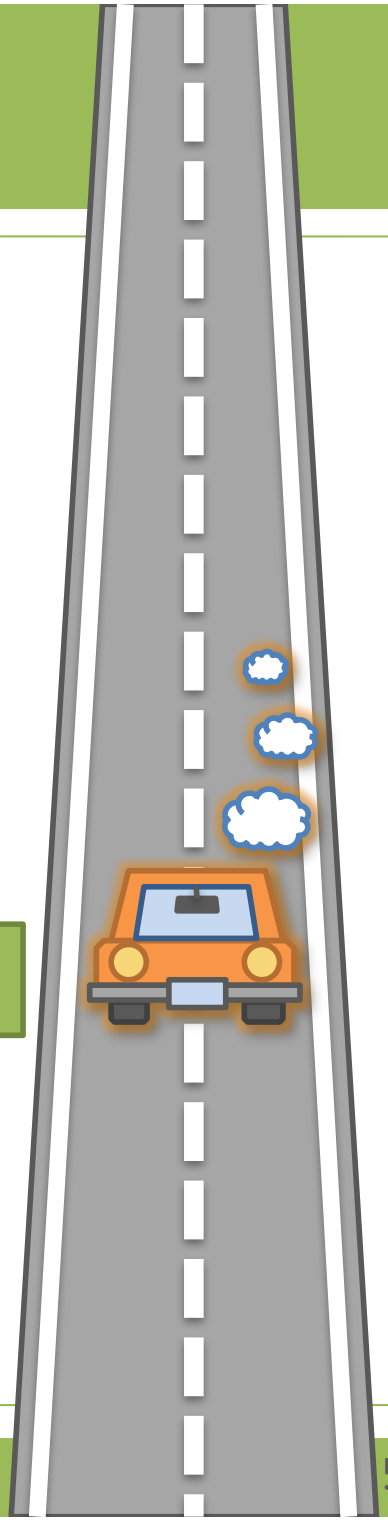


Experiments

We answer the following questions…

Q1. Effectiveness

How successful is it in forecasting events?

Q2. Accuracy

How well does it forecast future events?

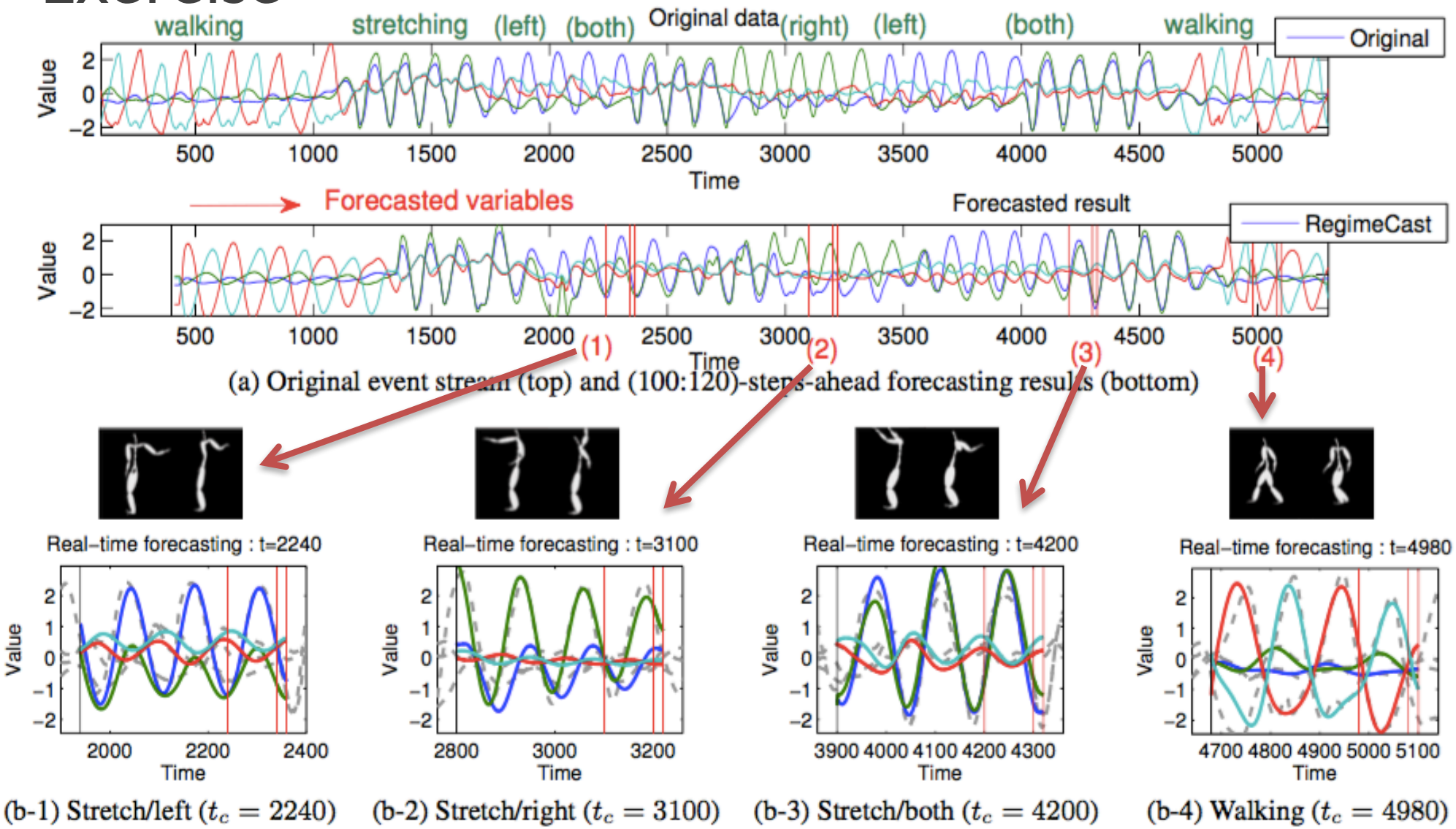
Q3. Scalability

How does it scale in terms of computational time?

Q1. Effective – MoCap #1

(100-120)-steps ahead

"Exercise"



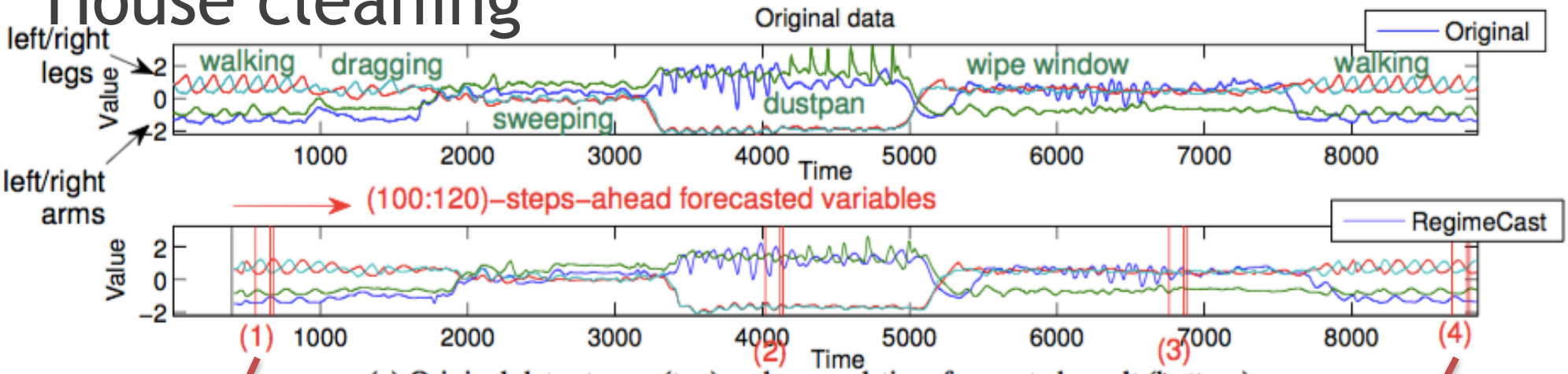
(a) Original event stream (top) and (100:120)-steps-ahead forecasting results (bottom)

(b-1) Stretch/left ($t_c = 2240$) (b-2) Stretch/right ($t_c = 3100$) (b-3) Stretch/both ($t_c = 4200$) (b-4) Walking ($t_c = 4980$)

Q1. Effective – MoCap #2

(100-120)-steps ahead

"House cleaning"



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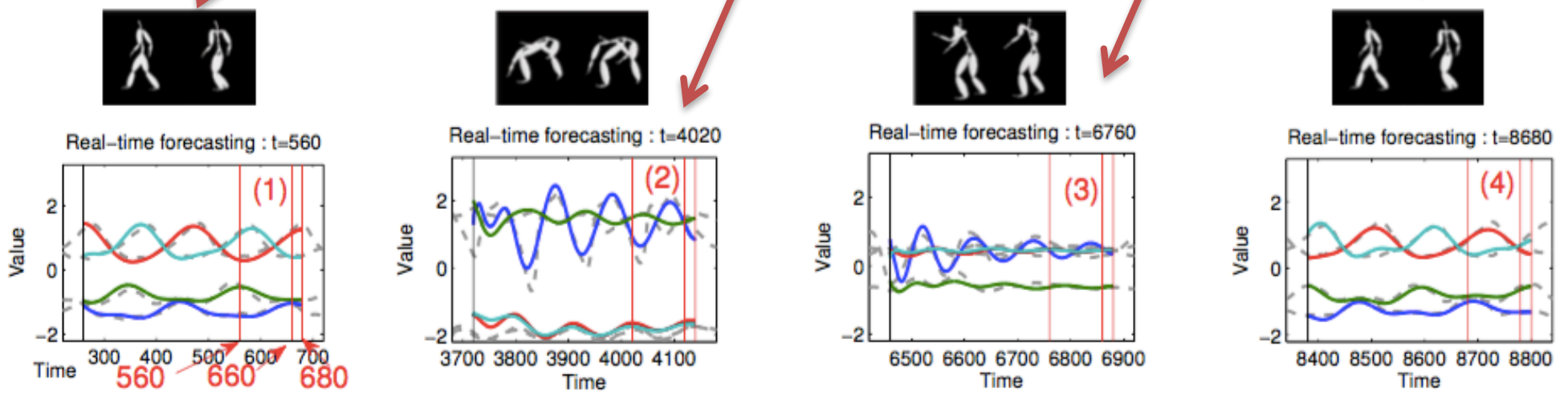
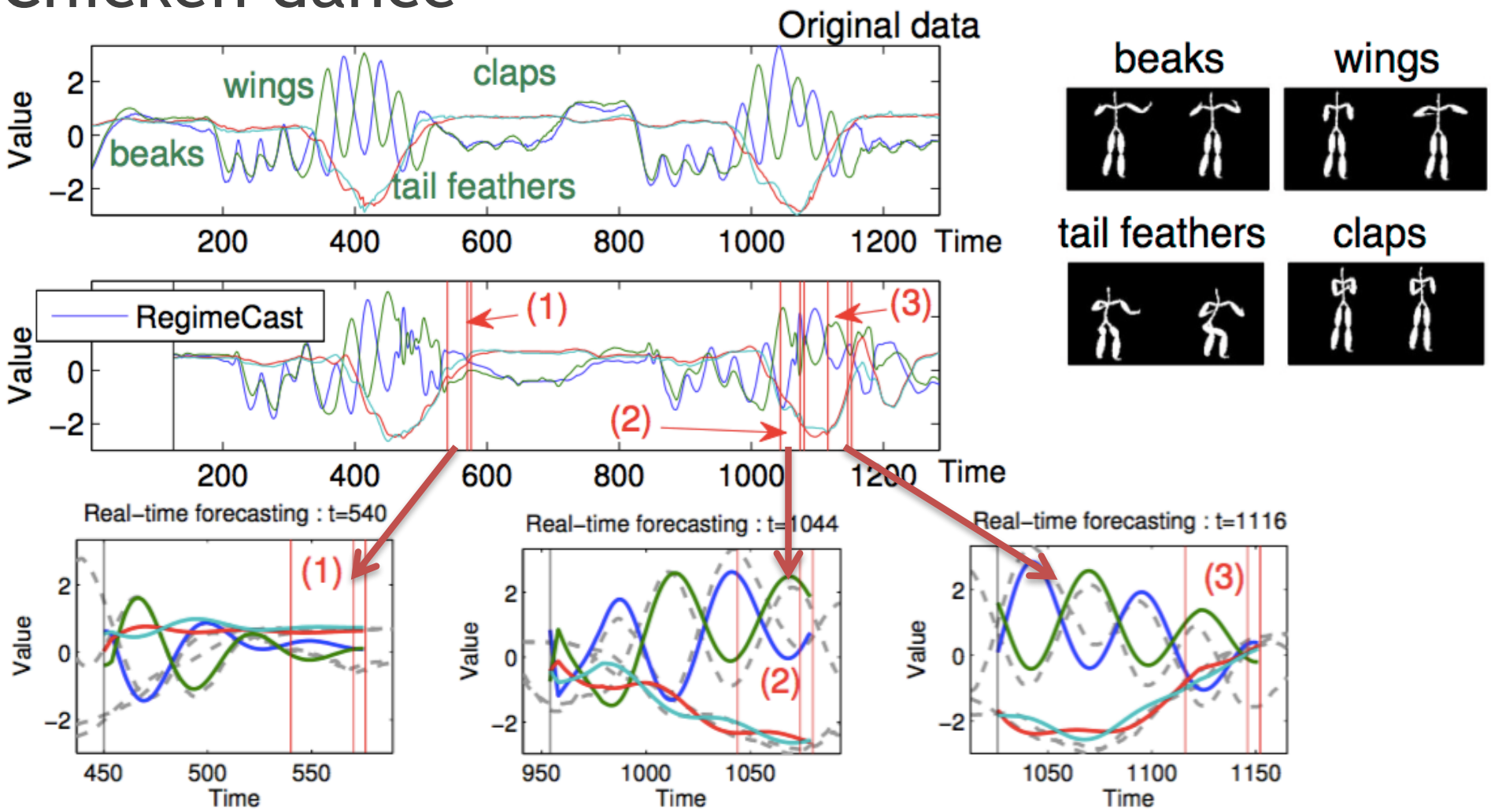


(b-1) Walking ($t_c = 560$) (b-2) Dustpan ($t_c = 4020$) (b-3) Wipe a window ($t_c = 6760$) (b-4) Walking ($t_c = 8680$)

Q1. Effective – MoCap #3

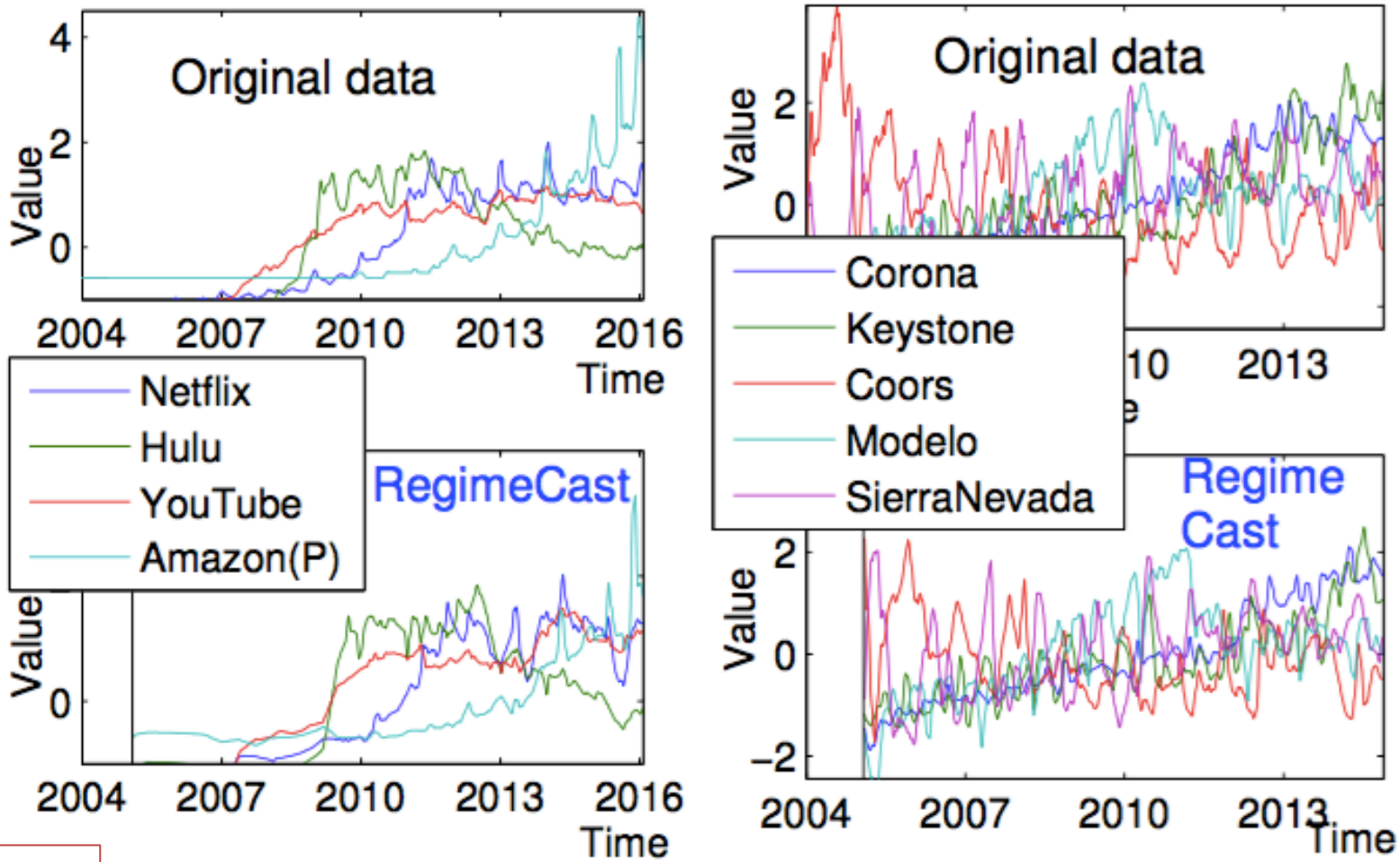
(30-35)-steps ahead

"Chicken dance"



(c-1) $t_c = 540$ (c-2) $t_c = 1044$ (c-3) $t_c = 1116$

Q1. Effective – Google Trend

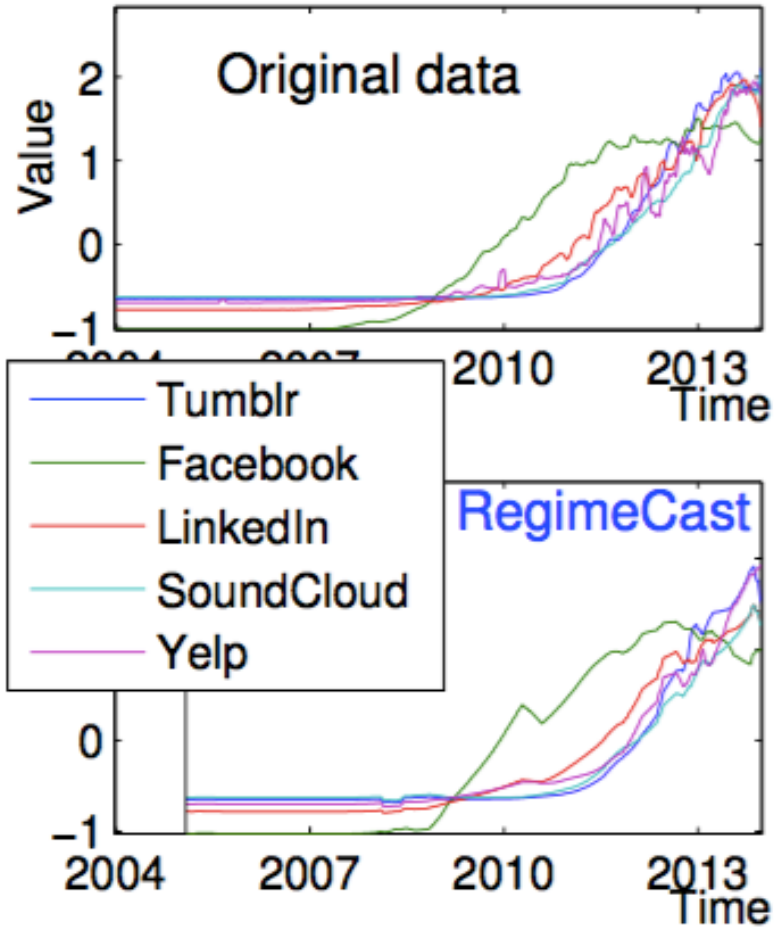


(a) Online TV

(b) Beers

3-months ahead

Q1. Effective – Google Trend



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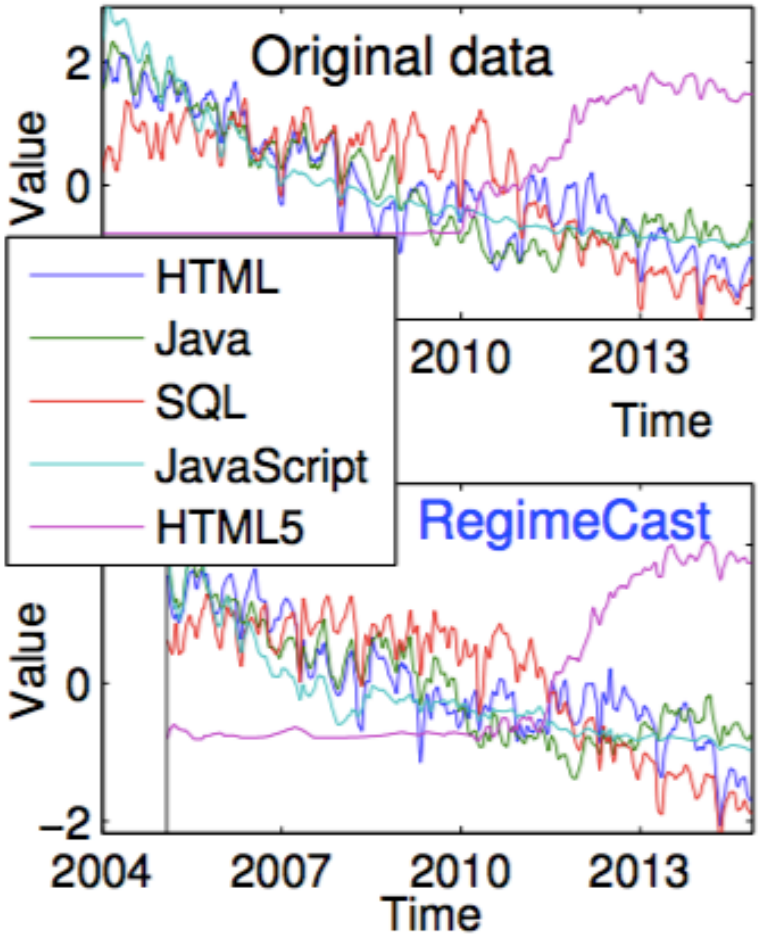
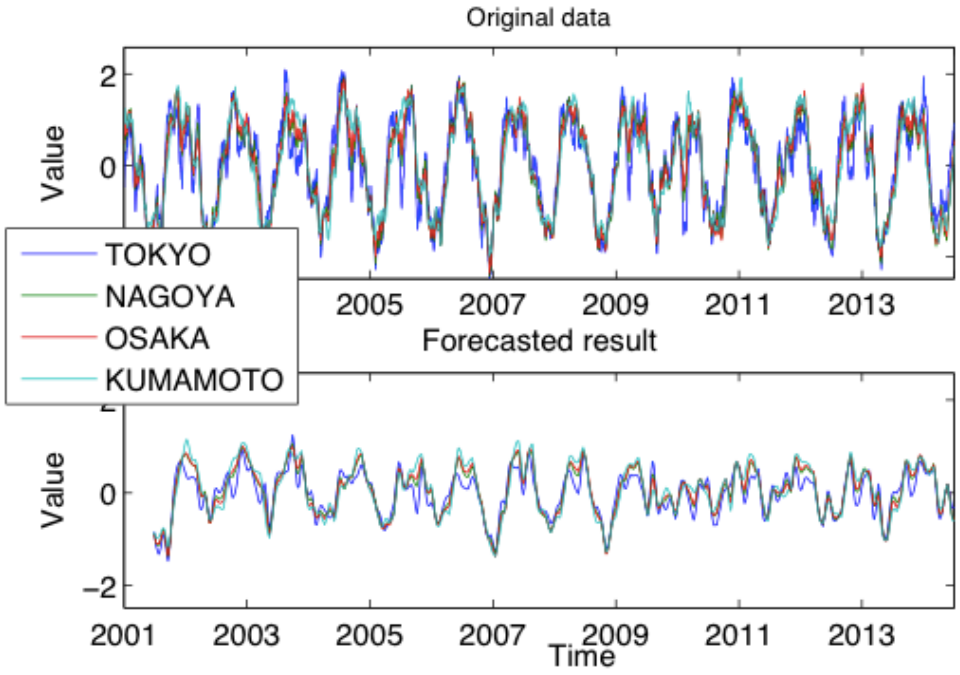


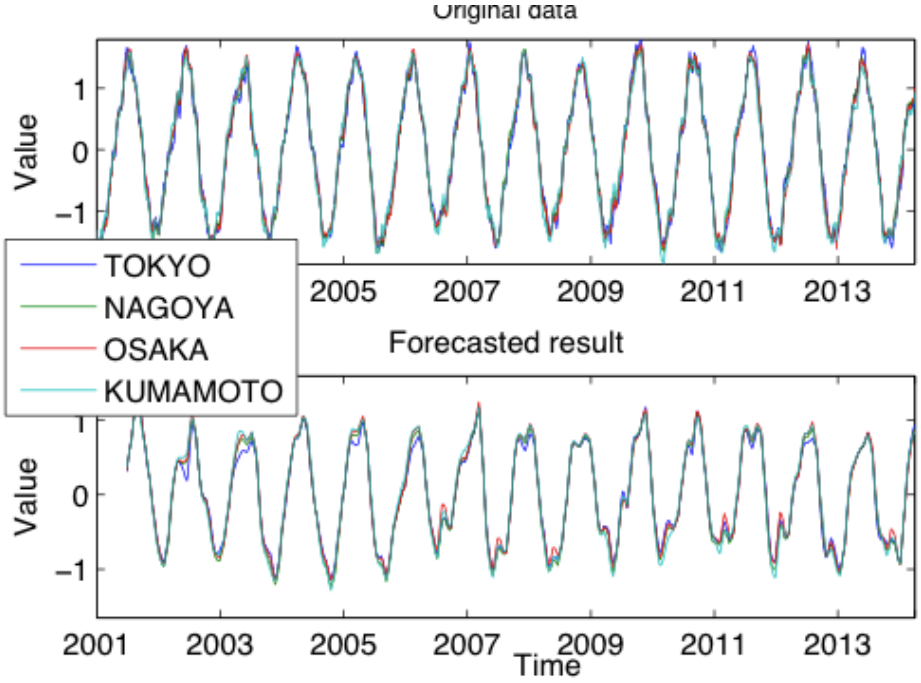
(d) Software

3-months ahead

Q1. Effective - others

Atmospheric pressure & temperature





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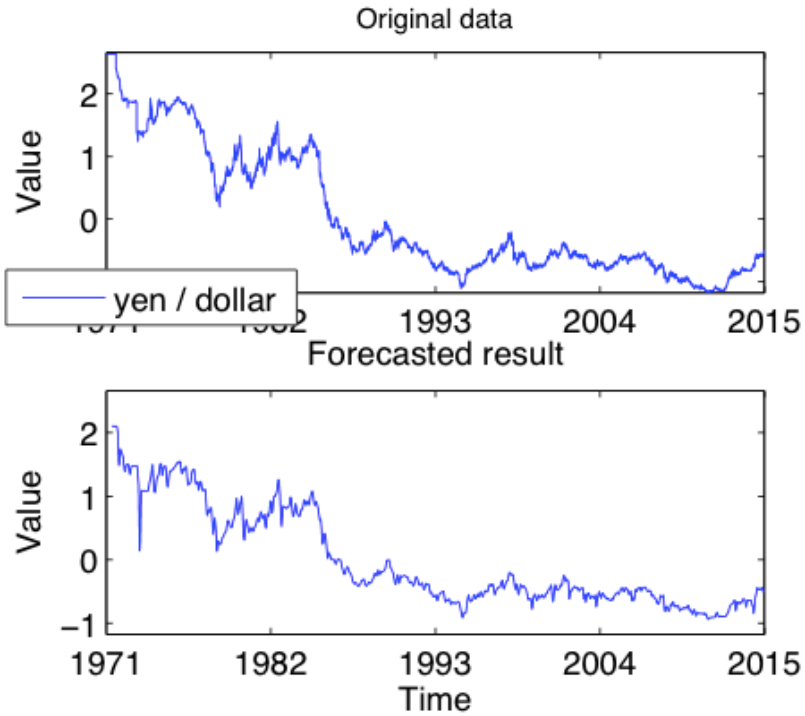
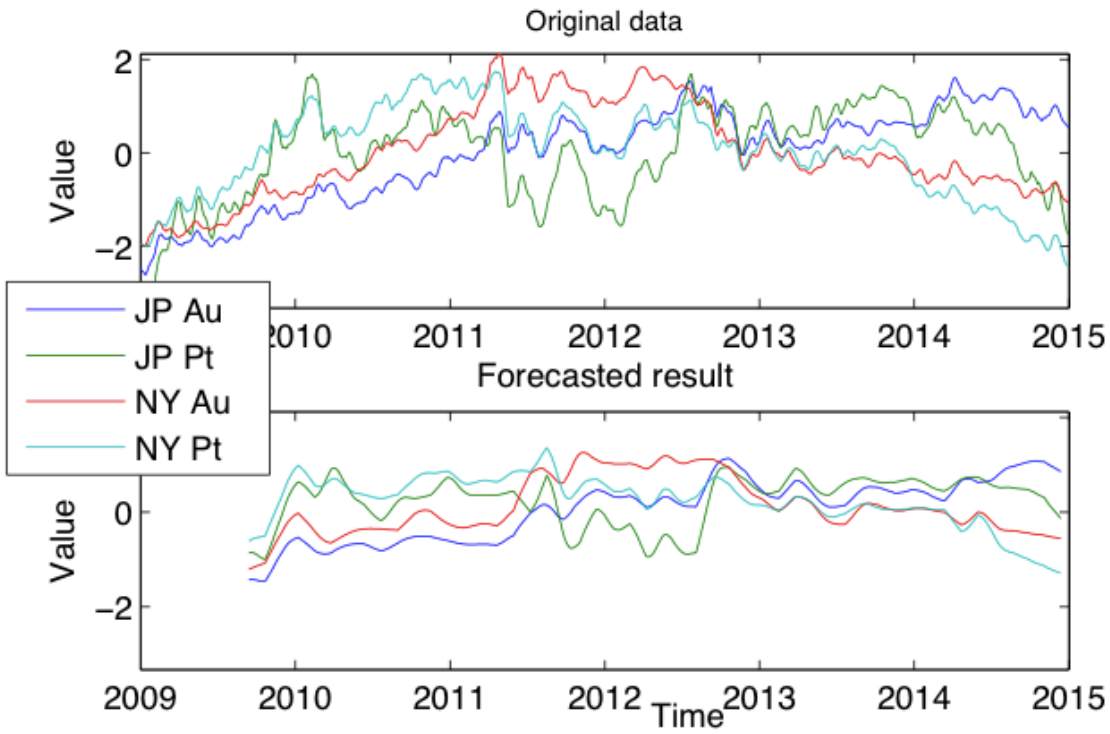
Q1. Effective – others

Yen vs. dollar & AU vs. PT



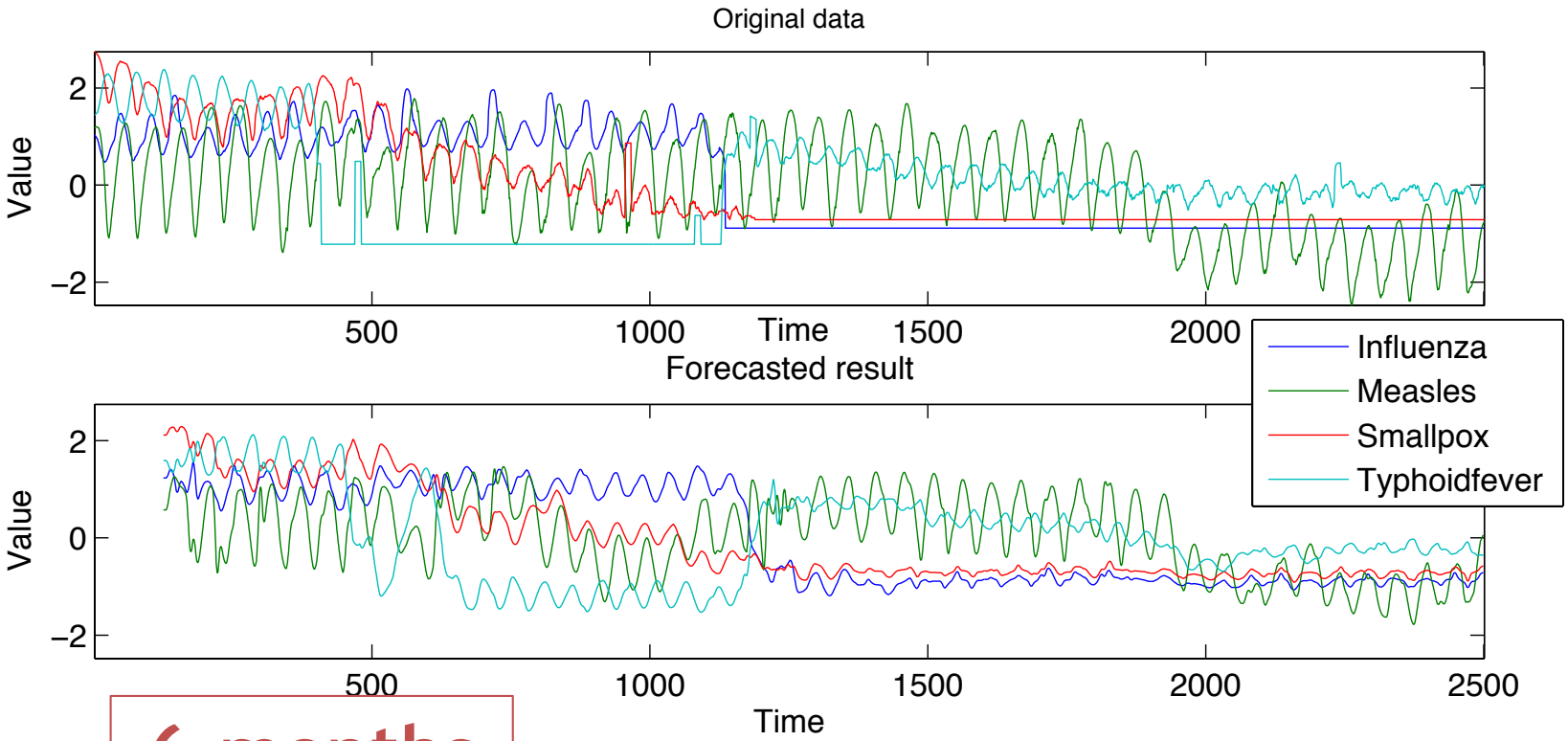


6-weeks ahead

3-months ahead

Q1. Effective - others

Epidemic data (1930-1978)

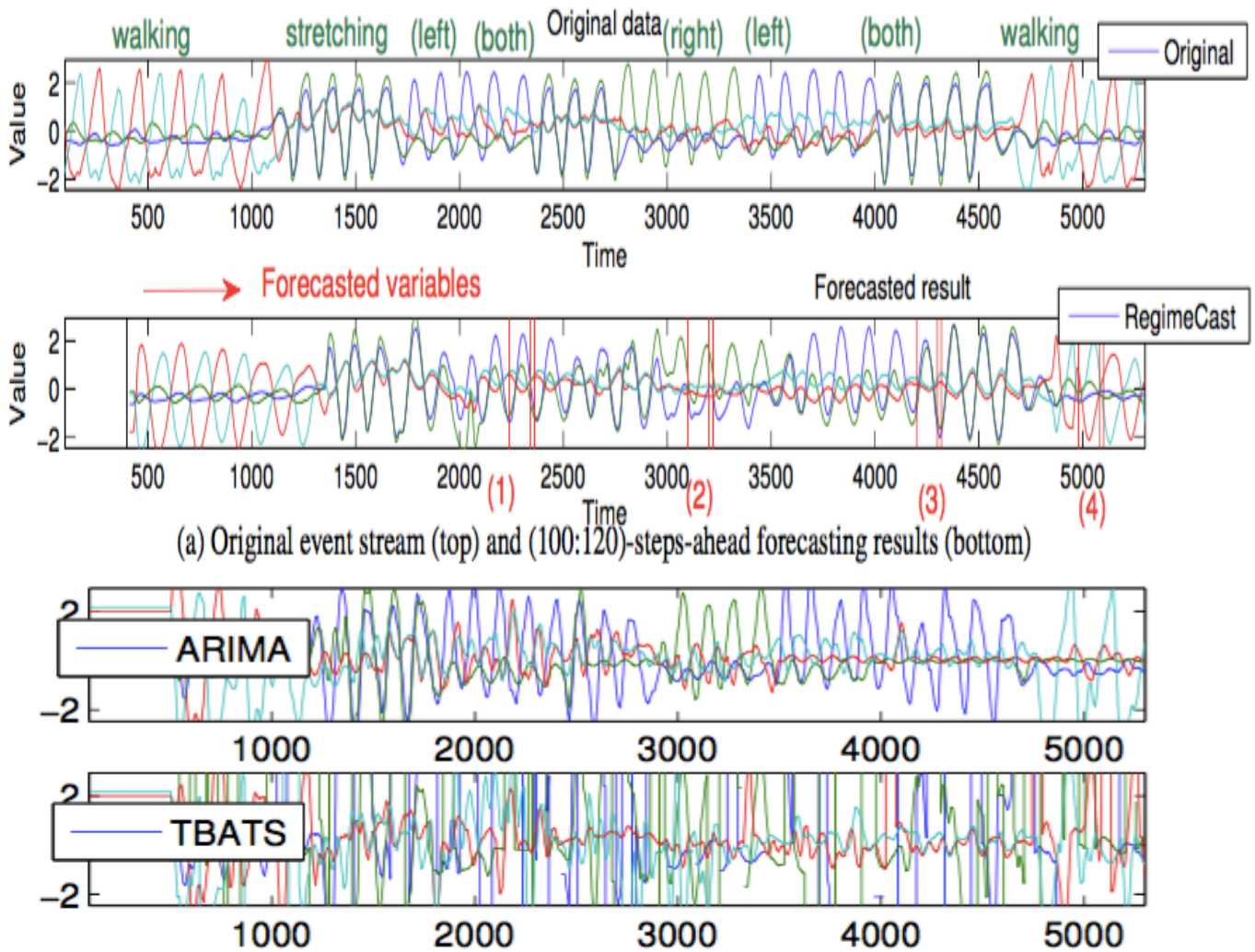


6-months ahead

`X(1000:3500)`

Q2. Accuracy

Forecasting results of RegimeCast vs. others



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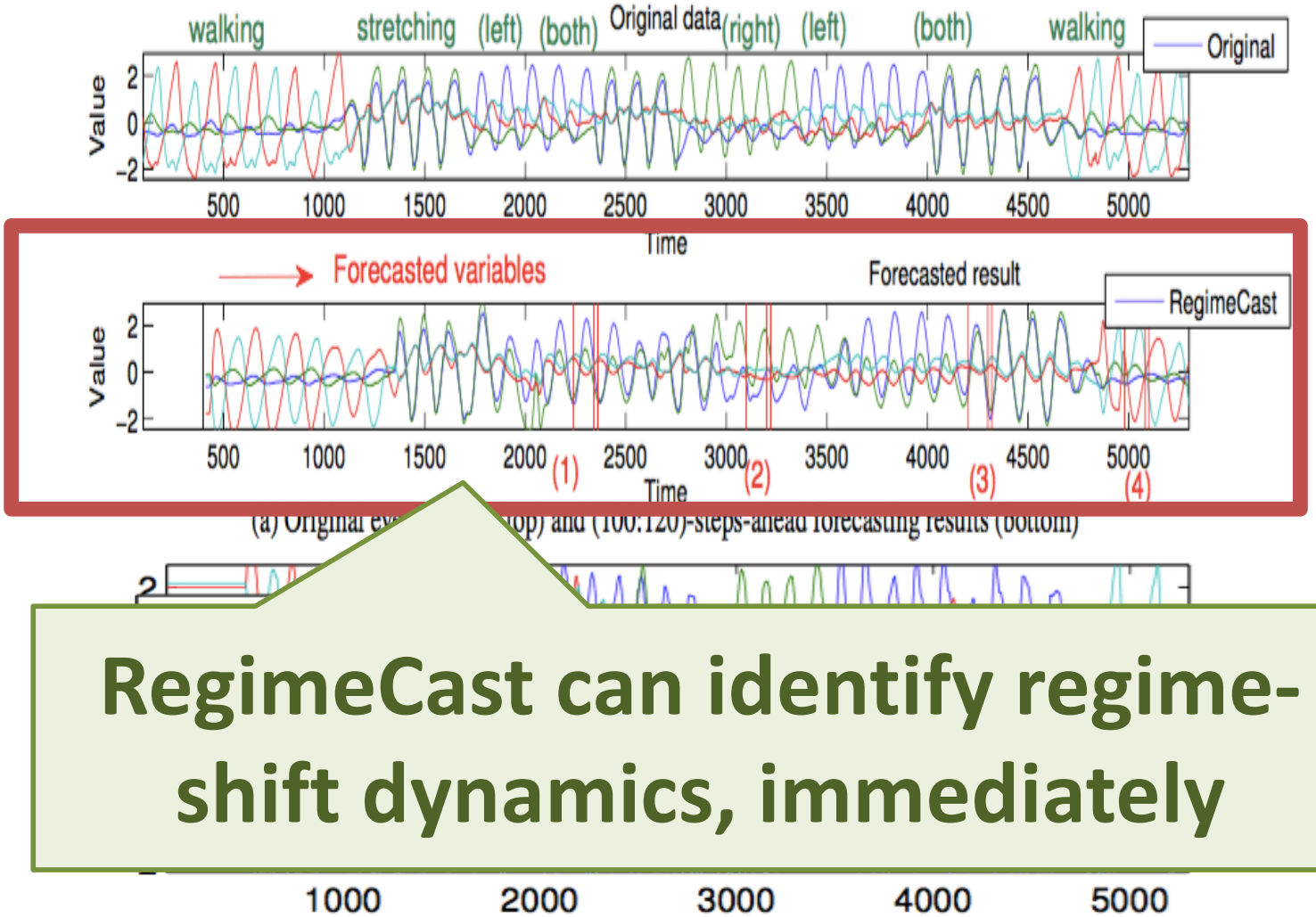

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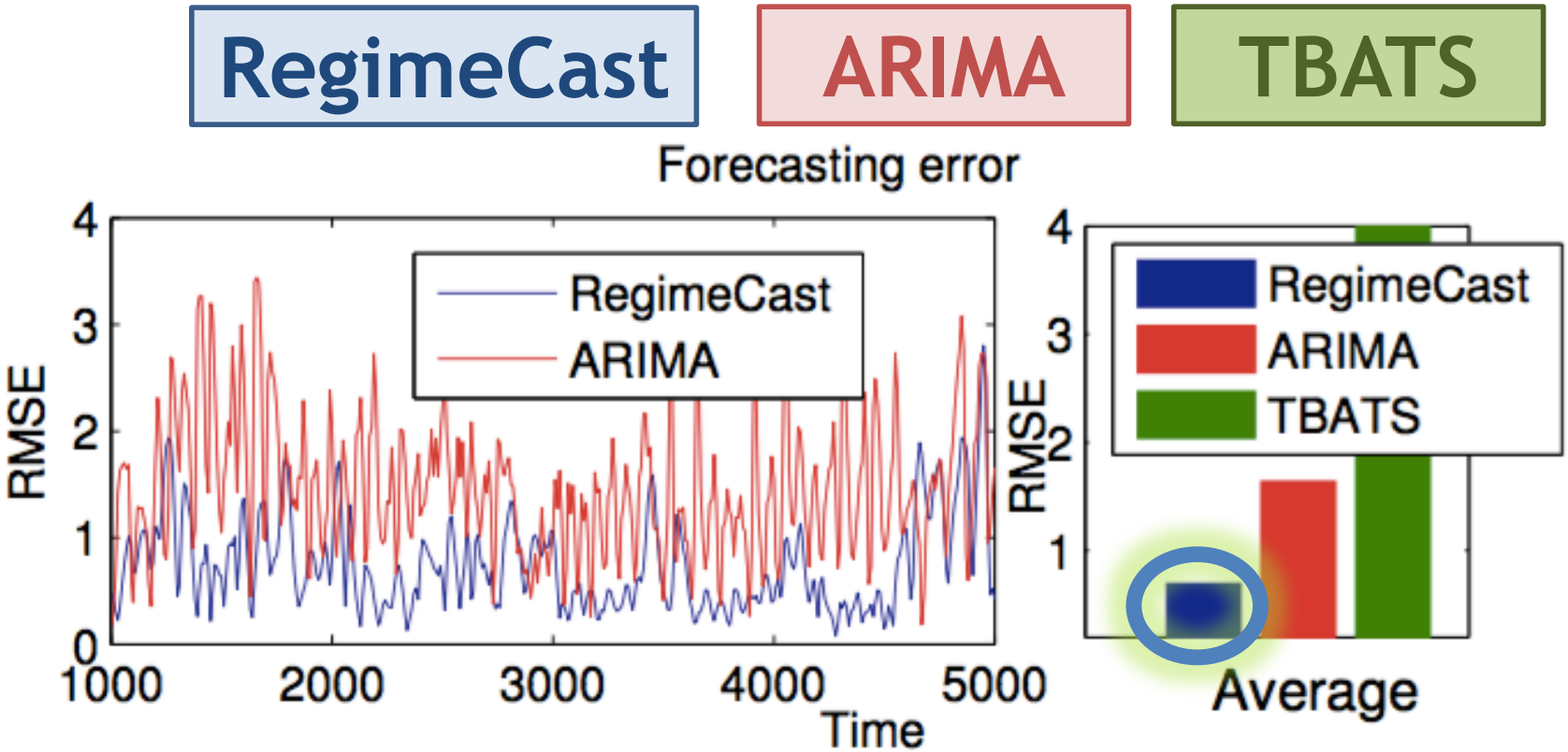
RegimeCast can identify regime-shift dynamics, immediately

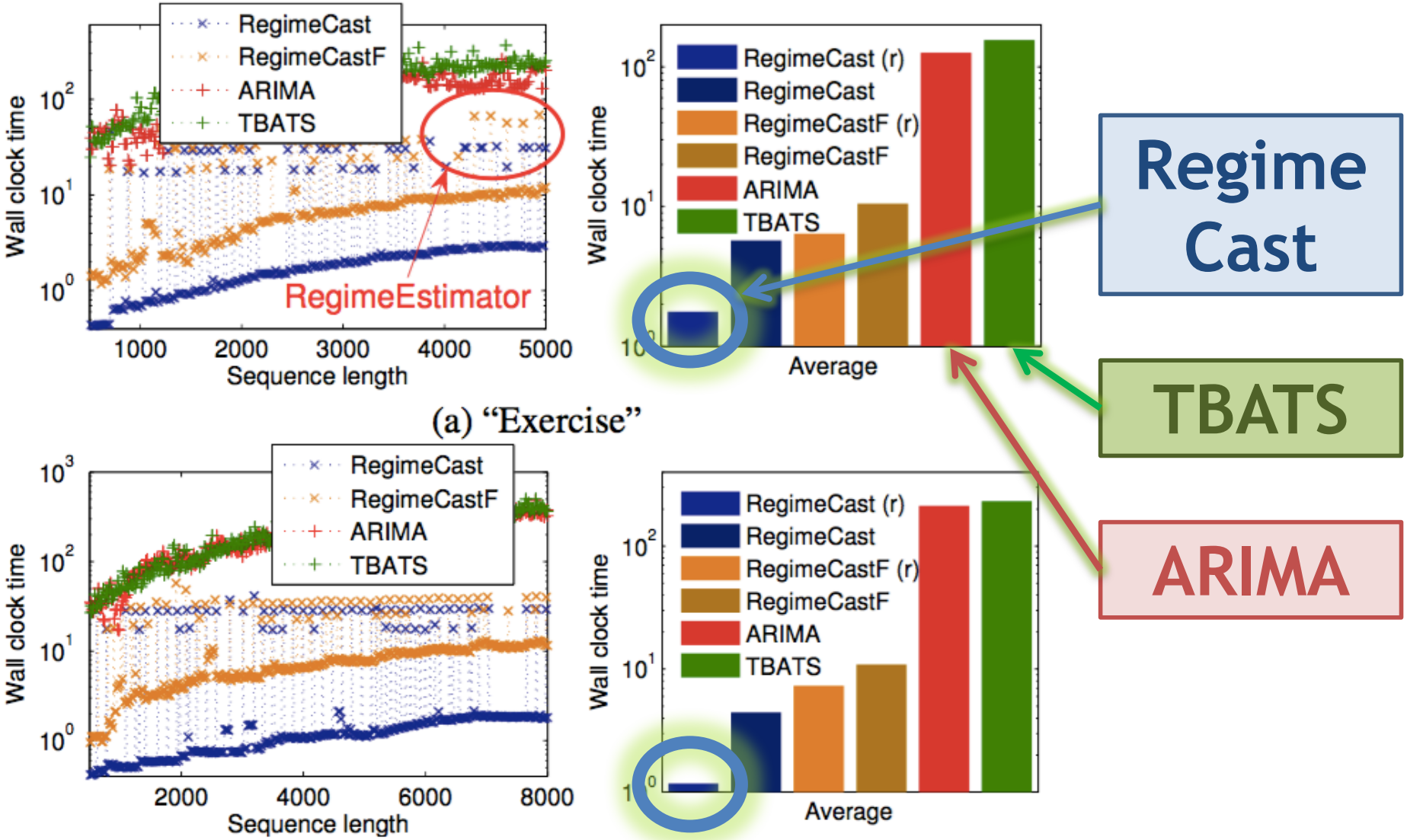
Q2. Accuracy

Forecasting error (RMSE), lower is better



(a) Forecasting error for each time tick (left) and average (right)

Q3. Scalability



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(b) "House-cleaning"

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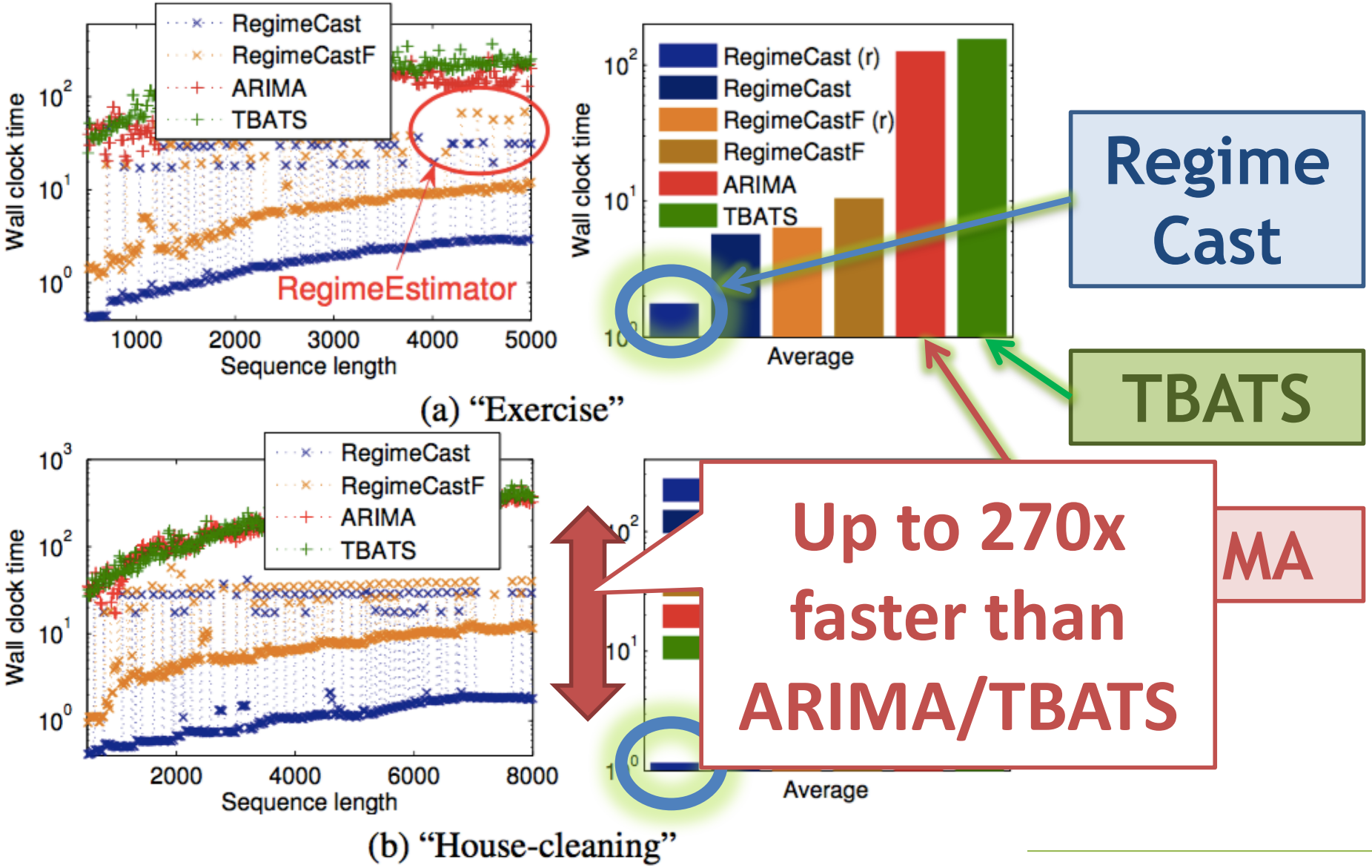

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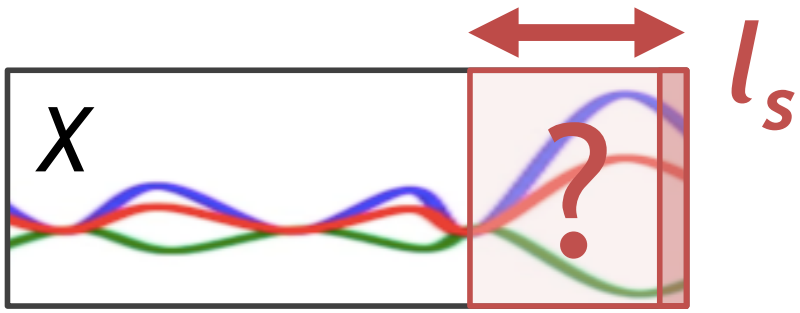

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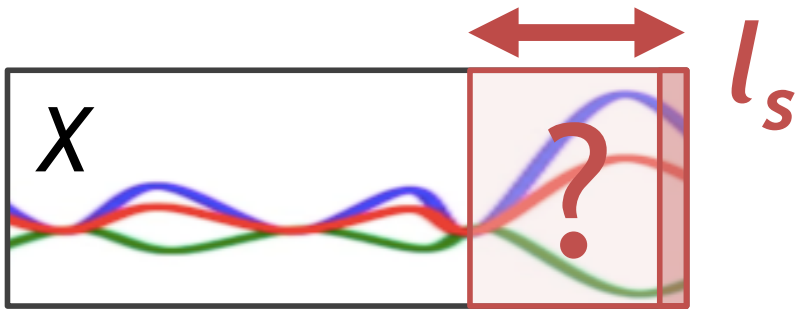

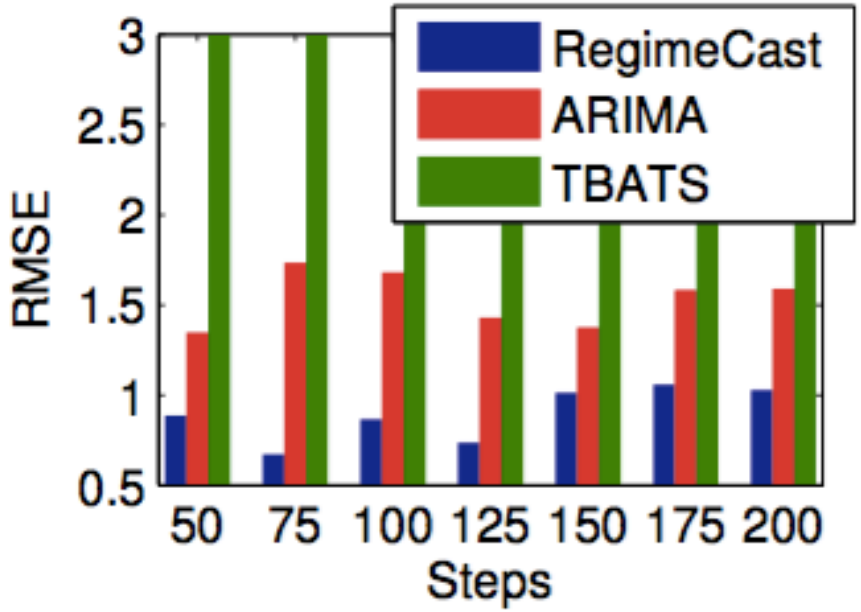

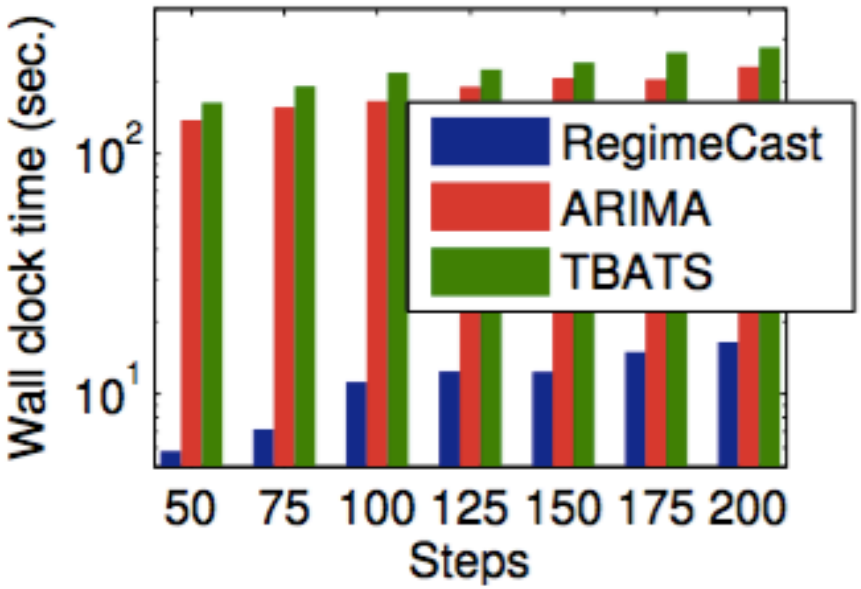

l_s-steps vs. error

l_s-steps vs. speed

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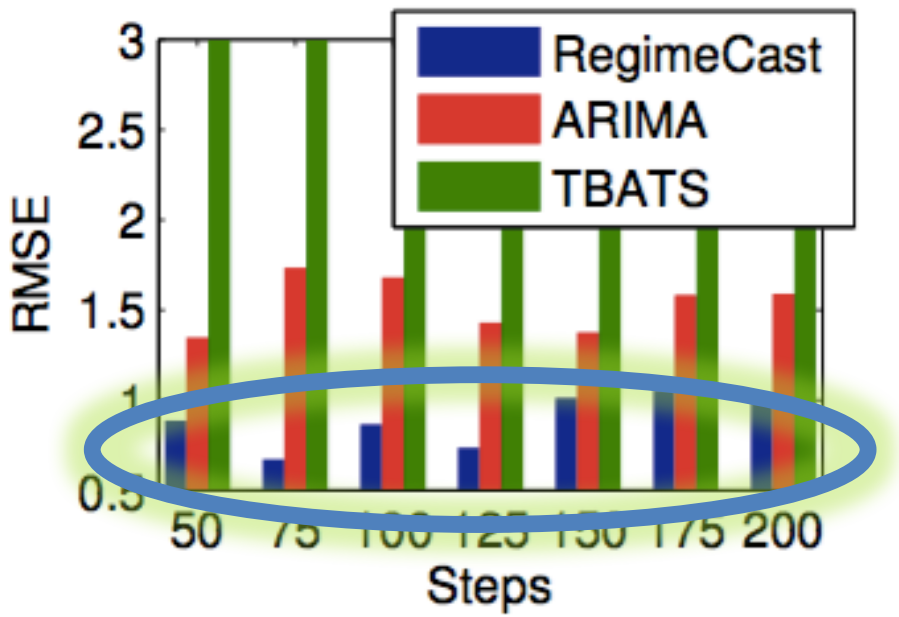
Q. How long ahead can it forecast?

A. It can forecast future events for every step l_s



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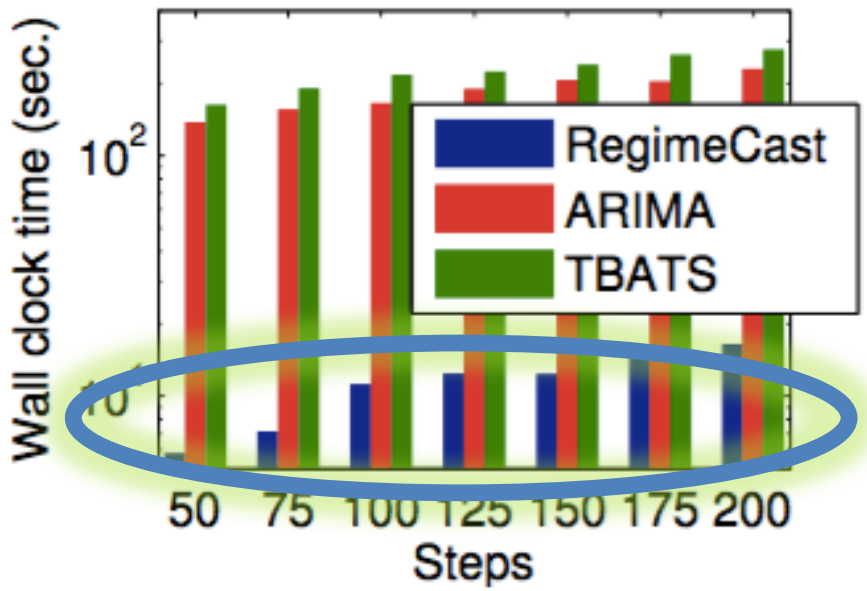

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Roadmap

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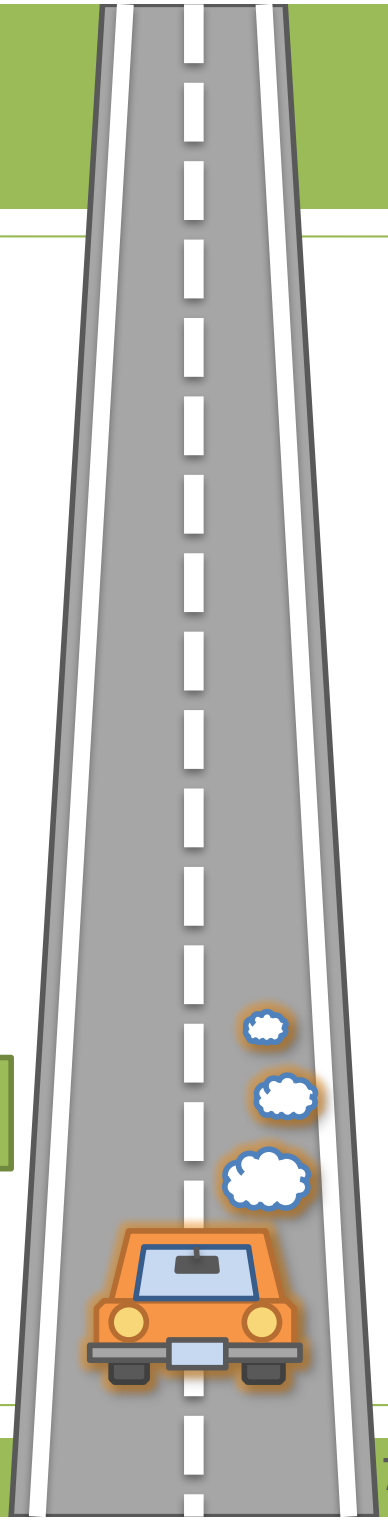


Conclusions

RegimeCast has the following advantages

✔ **Effective**

Long-term forecasting

✔ **Adaptive**

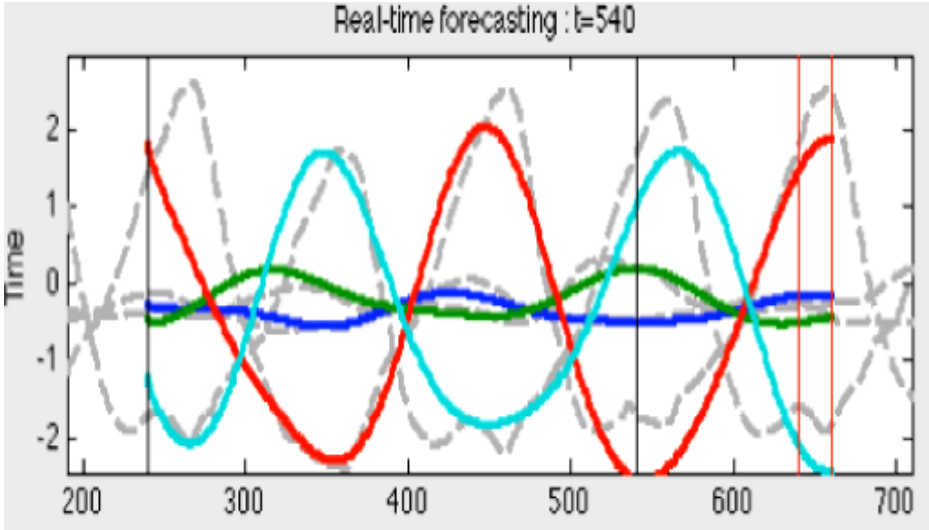
No prior training

✔ **Scalable**

It does not depend on data length

✔ **Anytime**

It forecasts future events, immediately, any time



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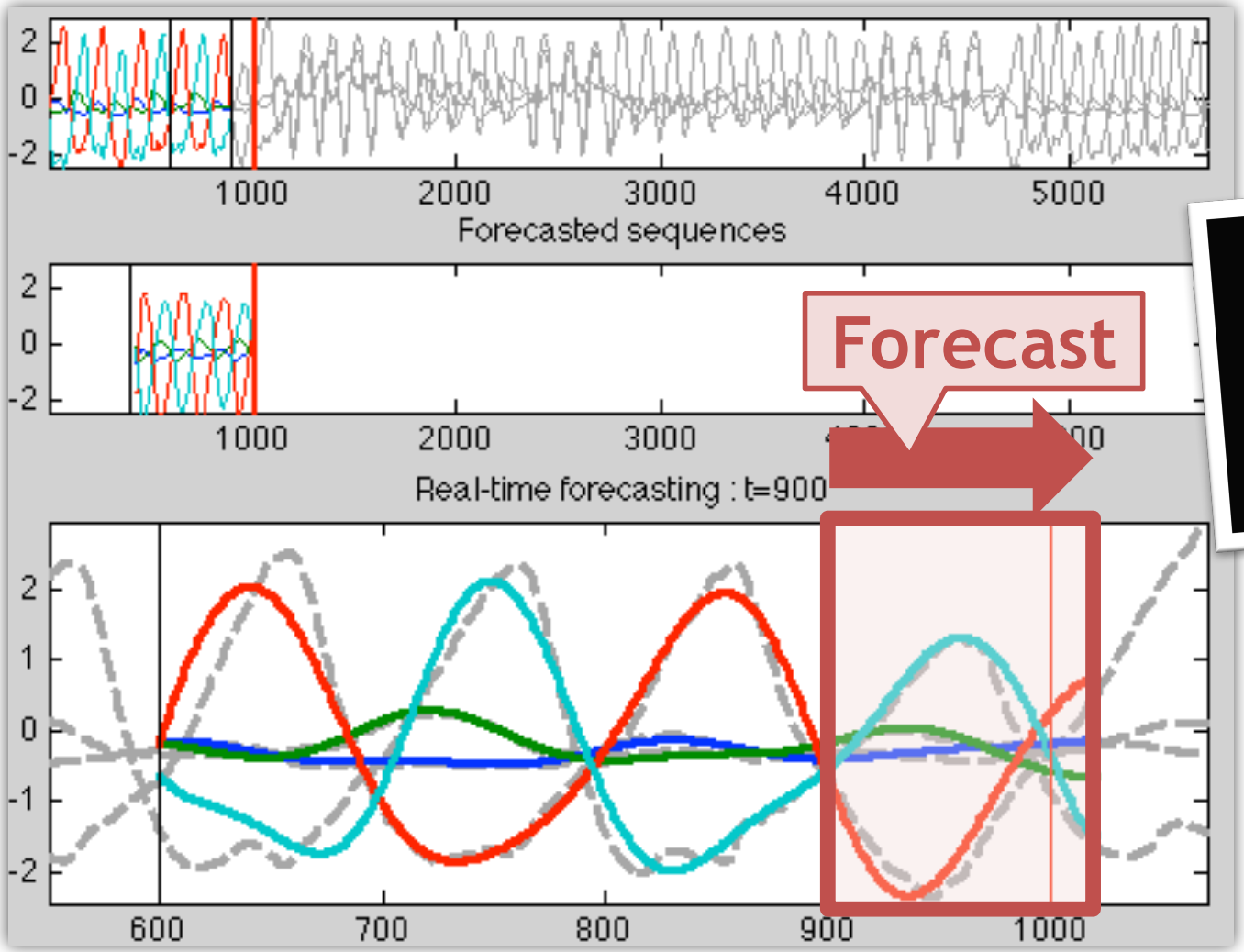

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