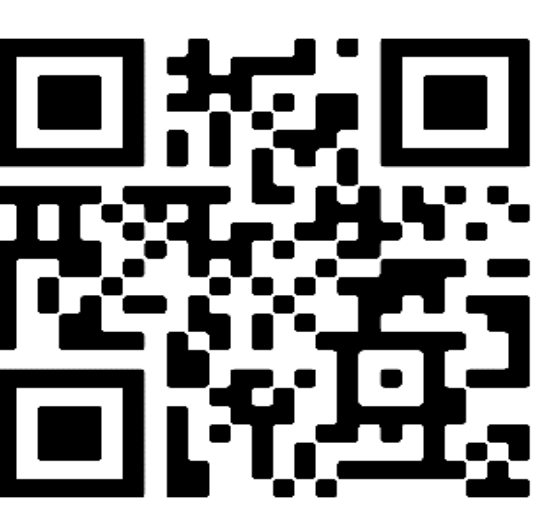


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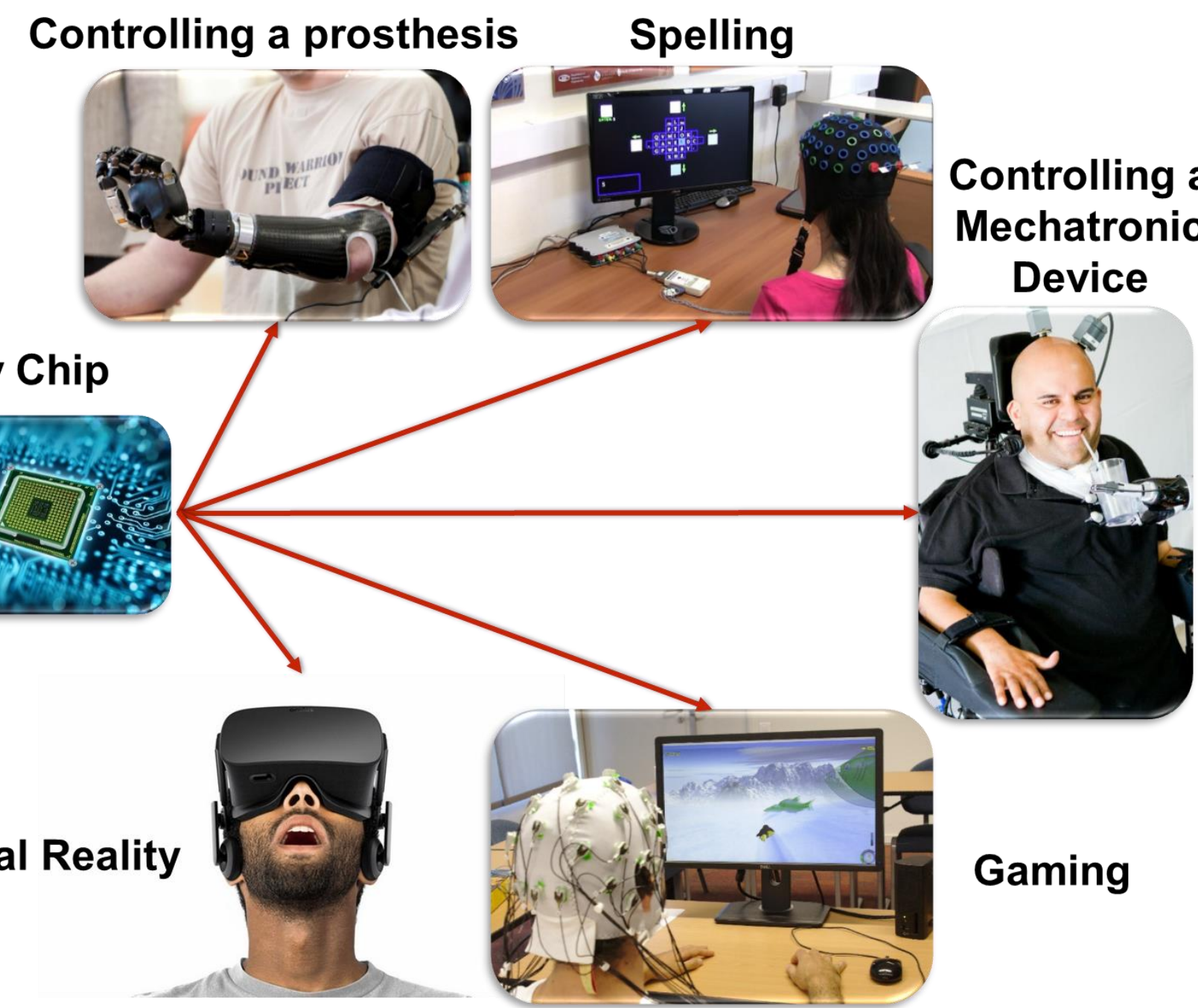
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Motivating Problem

Spinal Cord Injuries > 250,000 patients per year

Treatment Costs ~ \$ 9.7 billion per year

Applications of BMI



Goals

Minimize Treatment Cost Robustness
 Low Power/Area Chip High Performance

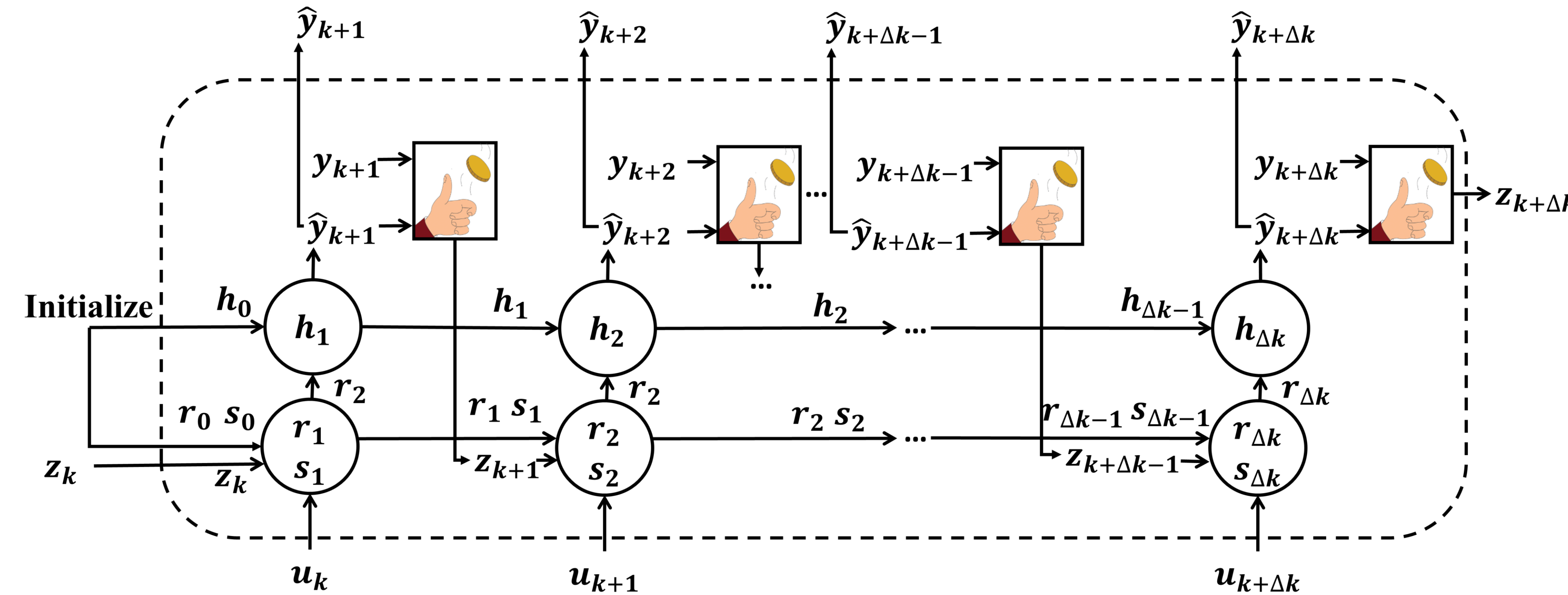
Challenges

Achieving High Speed Design Noise
 Non-Stationarity of Neural Data Limited Data

Deep Multi-state DRNN

$$\begin{cases} s_k = W_{ss}s_{k-1} + W_{sr}r_{k-1} + W_{si}u_k + W_{sf}z_k + b_s \\ r_k = \tanh(s_k) \\ h_k^{(1)} = \tanh(W_{h^{(1)}h^{(1)}}h_{k-1}^{(1)} + W_{h^{(1)}r}r_k + b_{h^{(1)}}) \\ h_k^{(i)} = \tanh(W_{h^{(i)}h^{(i)}}h_{k-1}^{(i)} + W_{h^{(i)}h^{(i-1)}}h_k^{(i-1)} + b_{h^{(i)}}) \\ \hat{y}_k = W_{yh^{(l)}}h_k^{(l)} + b_y \\ \hat{y}_k = \tanh(\hat{y}_k) \quad |\hat{y}_k| > 1 \\ z_k \leftarrow \hat{y}_k \text{ or } y_k \text{ (Scheduled Sampling)} \end{cases}$$

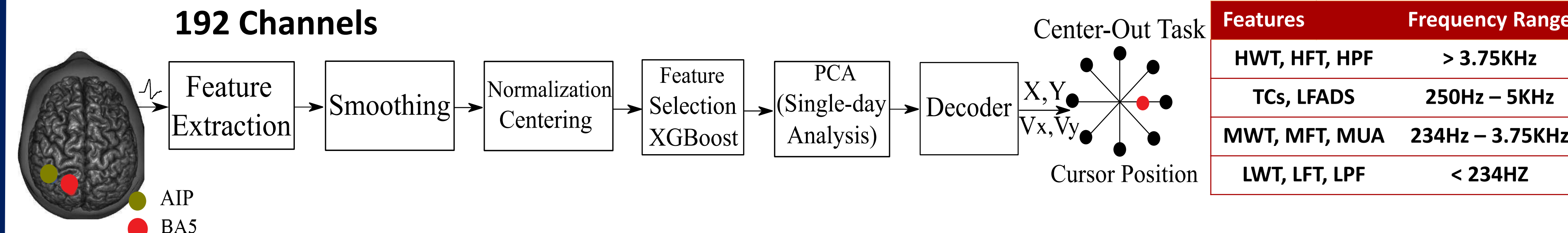
DRNN Architecture



BMI System Architecture

- 32 year-old tetraplegic (C5-C6) human
- FDA- and IRB-approved

- Sampling Rate: 30 KHz
- Utah electrode arrays



Single-day Analysis with Mid-Wavelet Feature

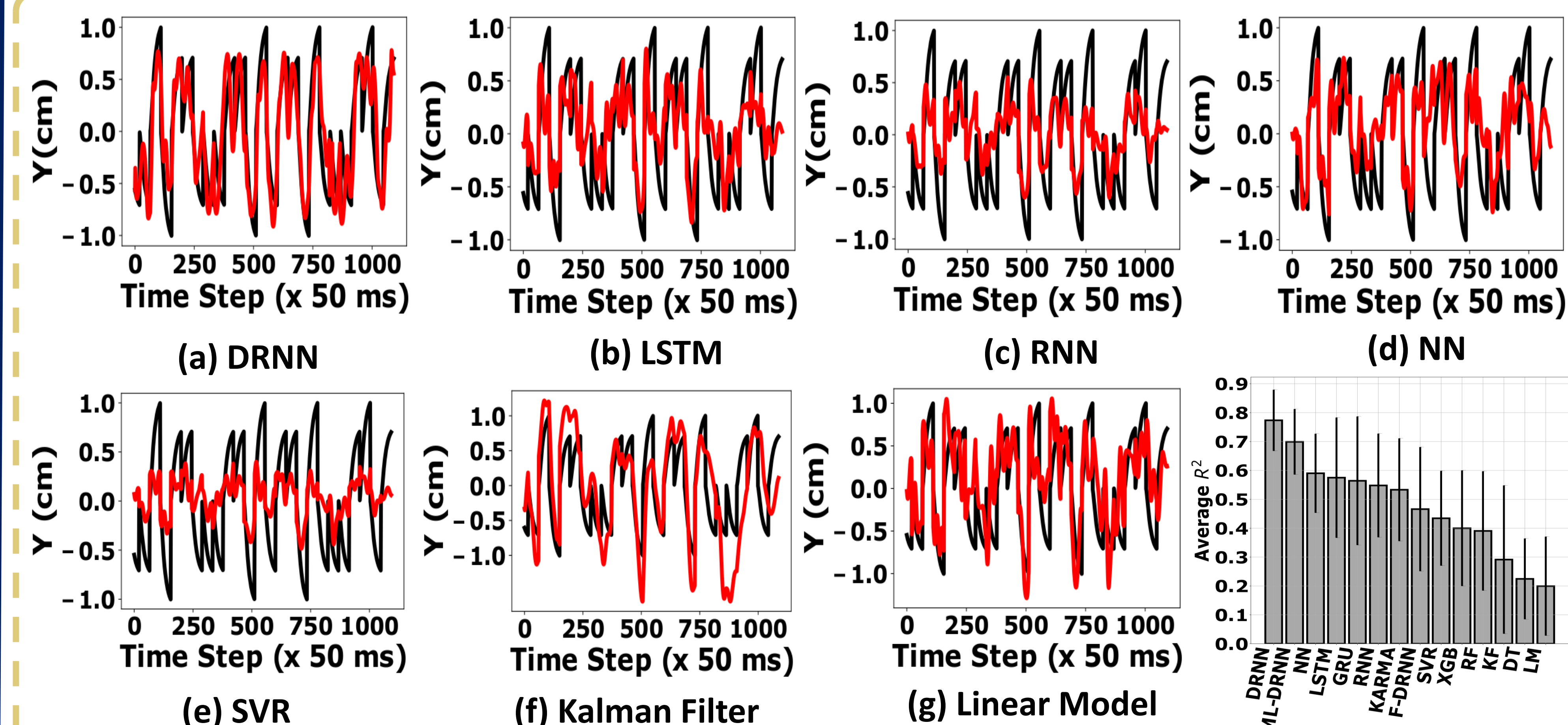


Fig.1. Regression of different algorithms on test data from the same day 2018-04-23: true target motion (black) and reconstruction (red)

Multi-day Performance

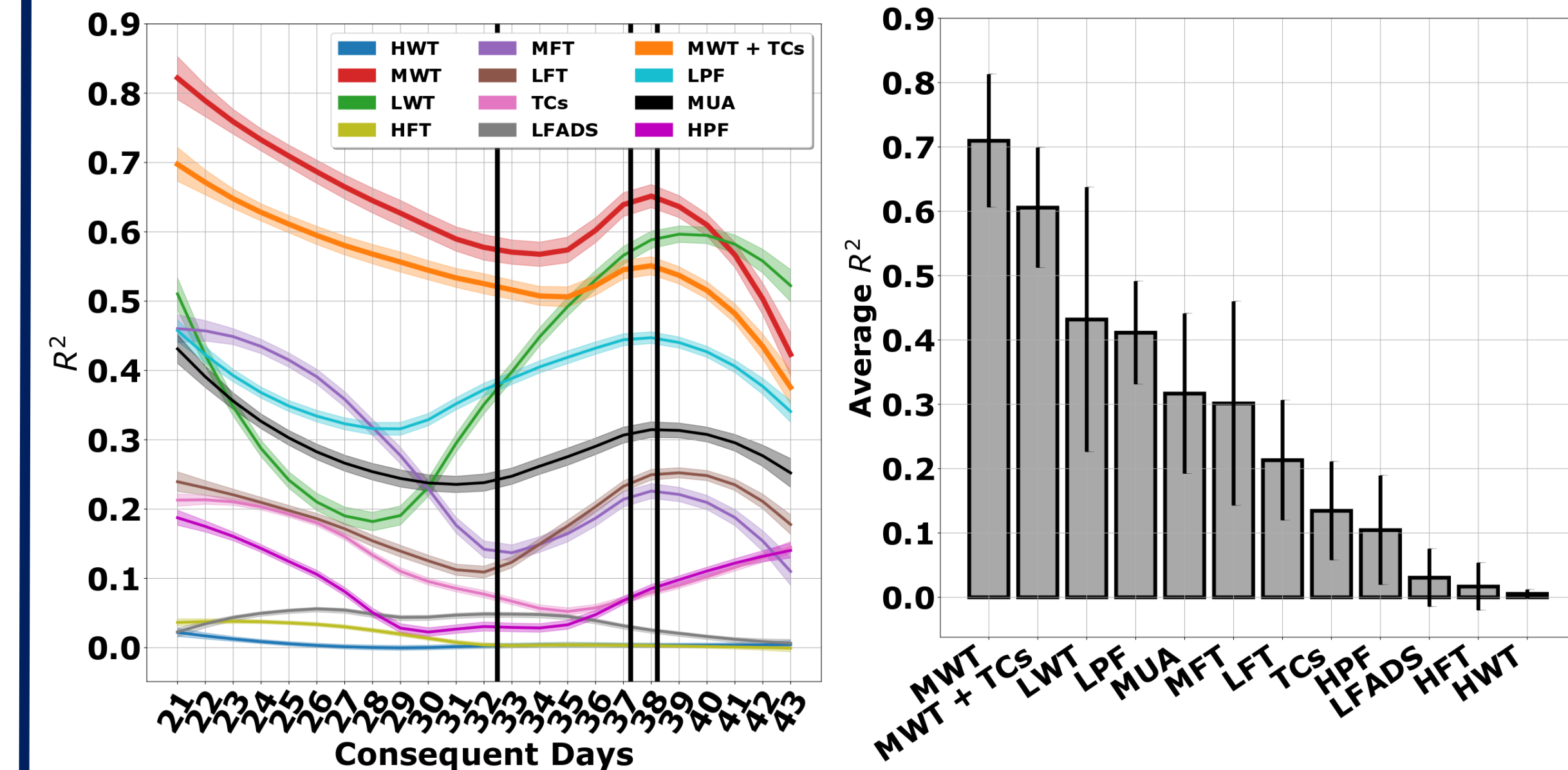


Fig.2. The DRNN operating on different features.

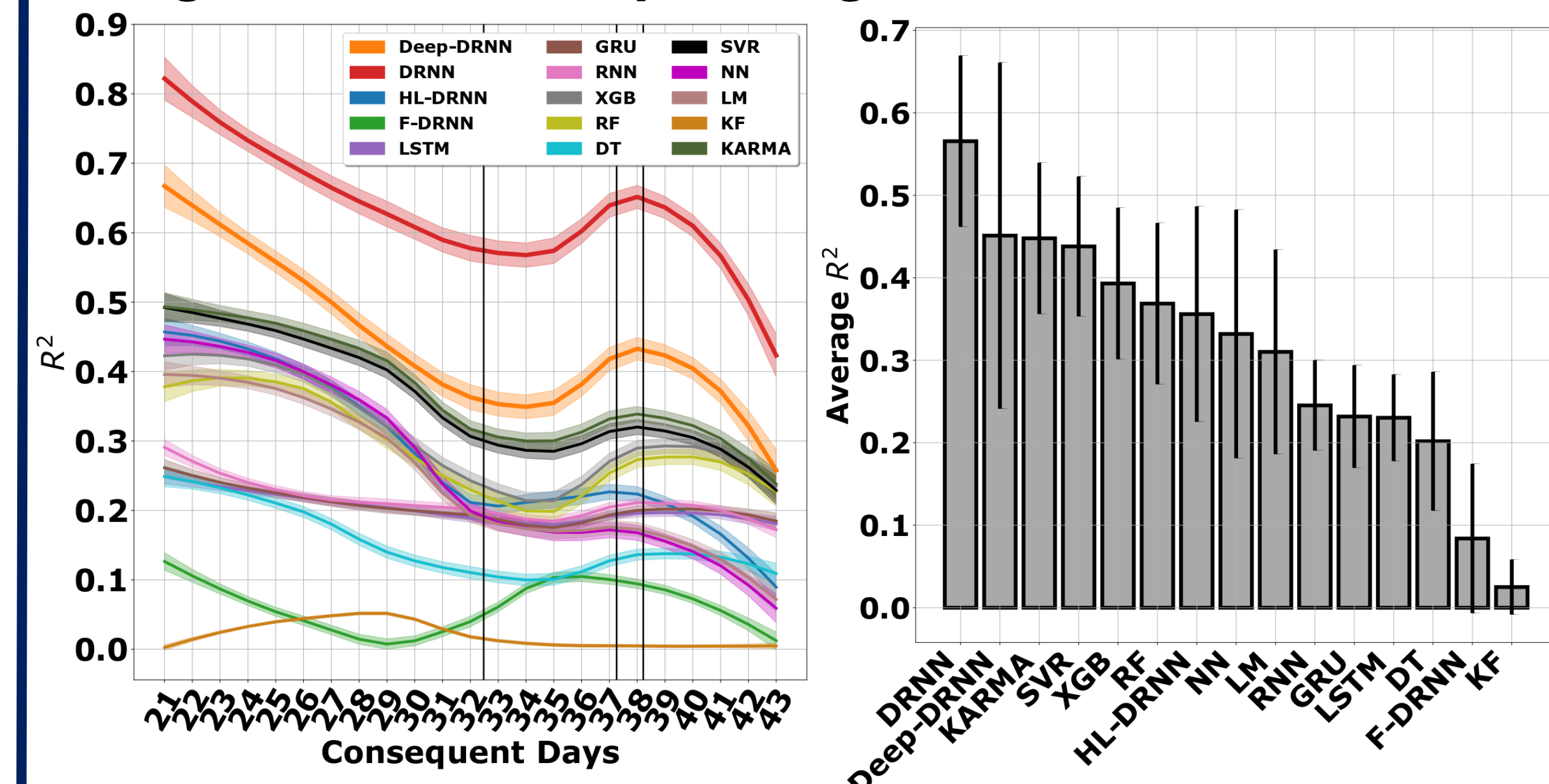


Fig.3. Multi-day performance of the decoders.

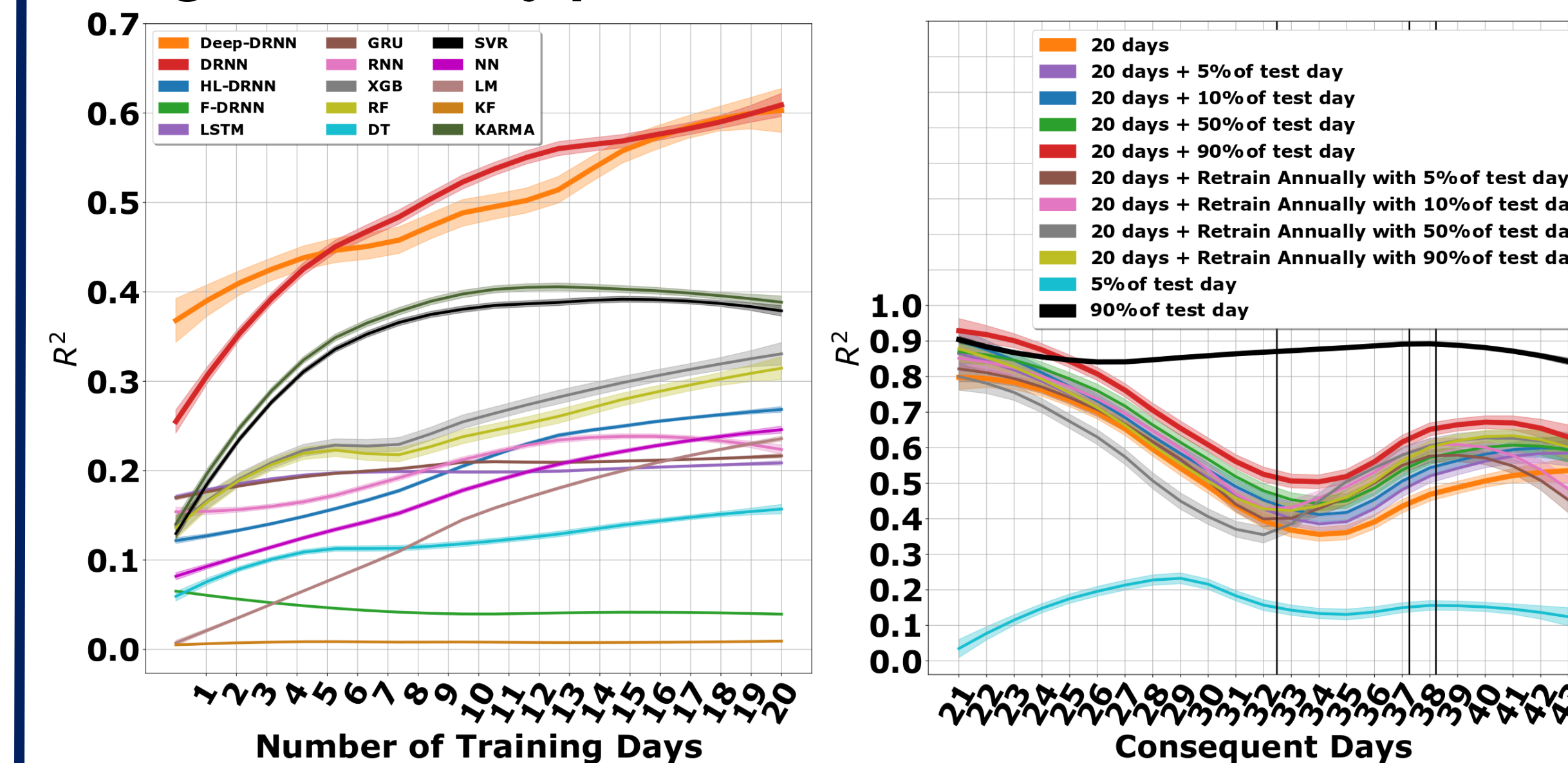


Fig.4. (Left) Effect of number of training days on the performance of the decoders. (Right) The DRNN operating in different training scenarios.

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