Detection Algorithms for Biosurveillance: A tutorial

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Many Methods!

Method	Has Pitt/ CMU tried it?	Tried but little used		Under development	Multivariate signal tracking?	Spatial?
Time-weighted averaging	Yes	Yes				
Serfling	Yes		Yes			
ARIMA	Yes	Yes				
SARIMA + External Factors	Yes		Yes			
Univariate HMM	Yes		Yes			
Kalman Filter	Yes	Yes				
Recursive Least Squares	Yes		Yes			
Support Vector Machine	Yes	Yes				
Neural Nets	Yes	Yes				
Randomization	Yes		Yes	Yes		
Spatial Scan Statistics	Yes			(w/ Howard Burkom)	Yes	Yes
Bayesian Networks	Yes			Yes	Yes	
Contingency Tables	Yes		Yes			
Scalar Outlier (SQC)	Yes	Yes				
Multivariate Anomalies	Yes		Yes		Yes	
Change-point statistics	Yes			Yes		
FDR Tests	Yes		Yes		Yes	
WSARE (Recent patterns)	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
PANDA (Causal Model)	Yes			Yes	Yes	Yes
FLUMOD (space/Time HMM)				Yes	Yes	Yes

Details of these methods and bibliography available from "Summary of Biosurveillance-relevant statistical and data mining technologies" by Moore, Cooper, Tsui and Wagner. Downloadable (PDF format) from www.cs.cmu.edu/~awm/biosurv-methods.pdf

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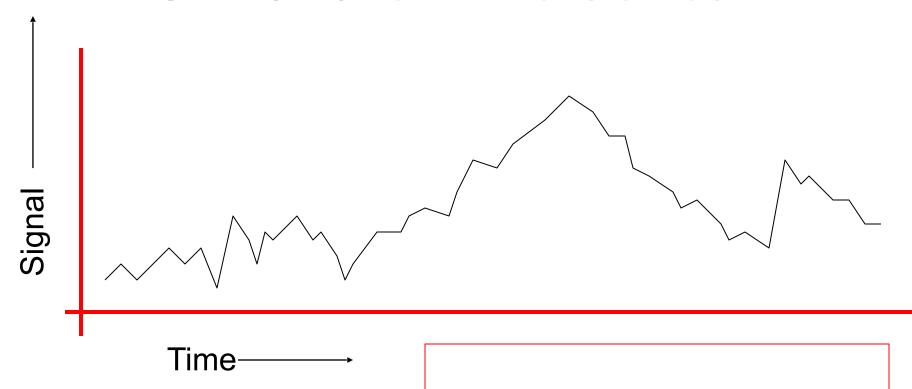
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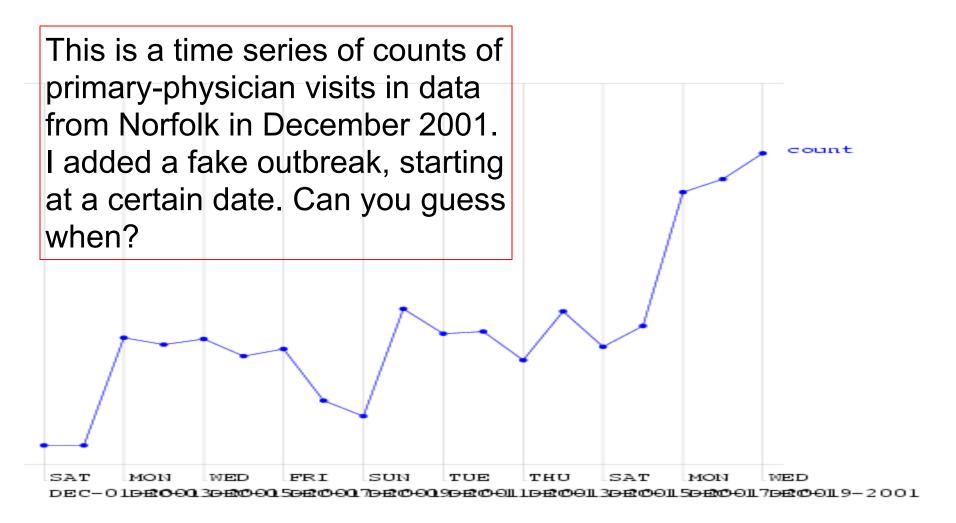


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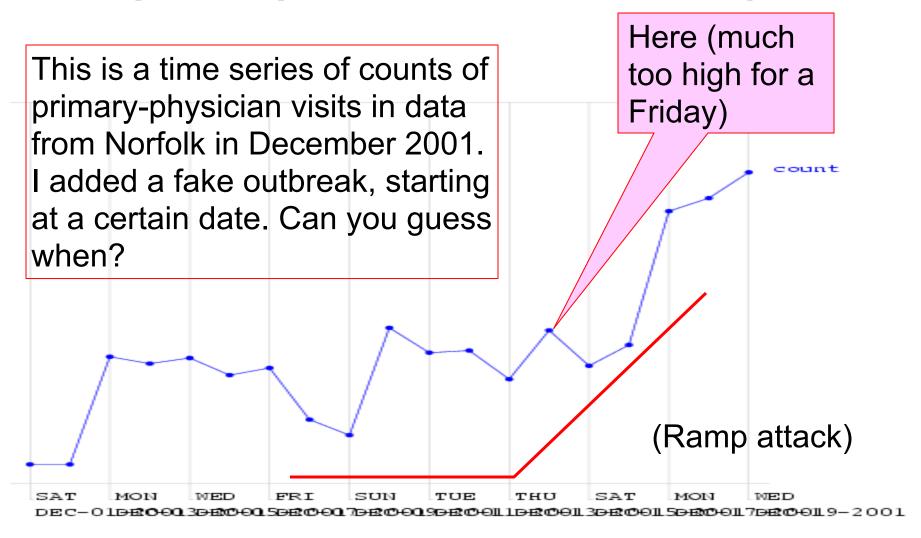
- Number of ED visits today
- Number of ED visits this hour
- Number of Respiratory Cases Today
- School absenteeism today
- Nyquil Sales today

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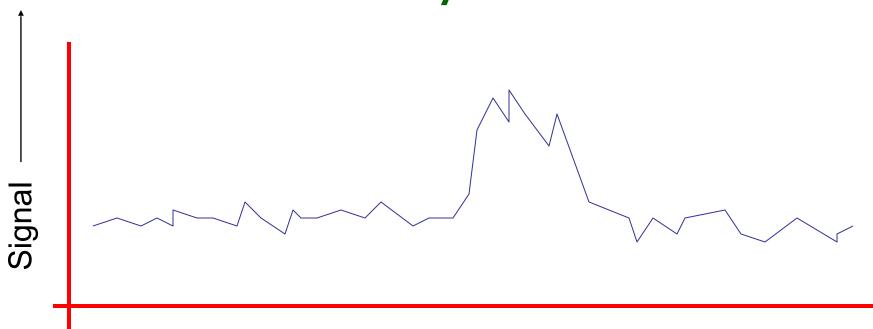
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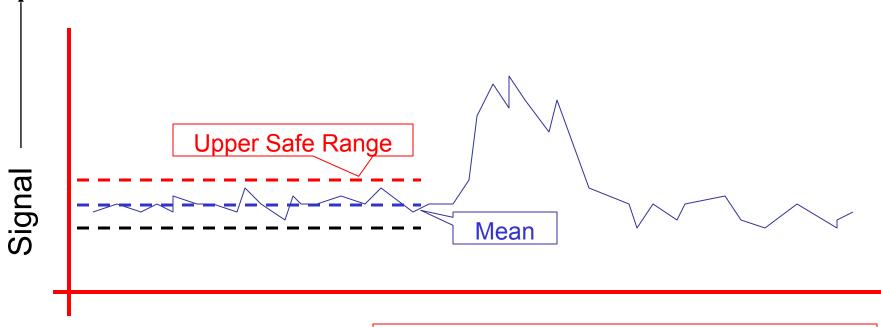
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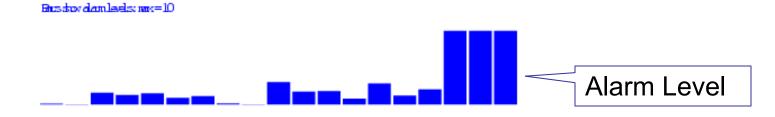
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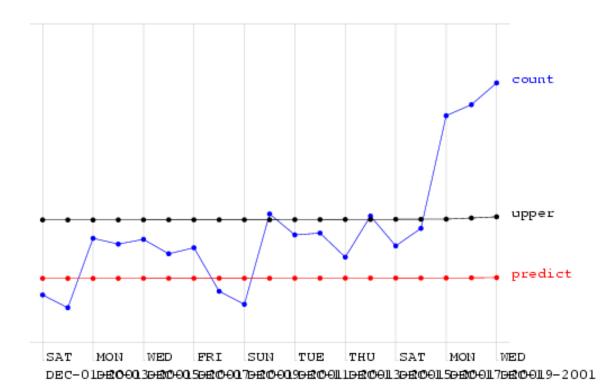
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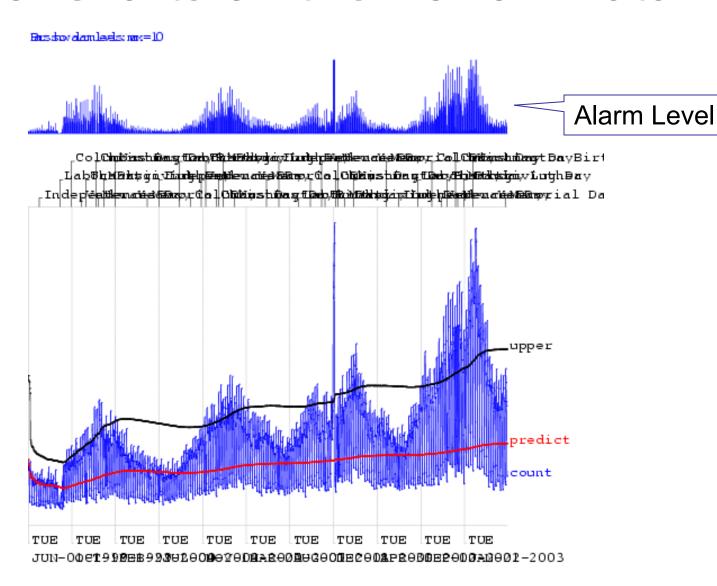
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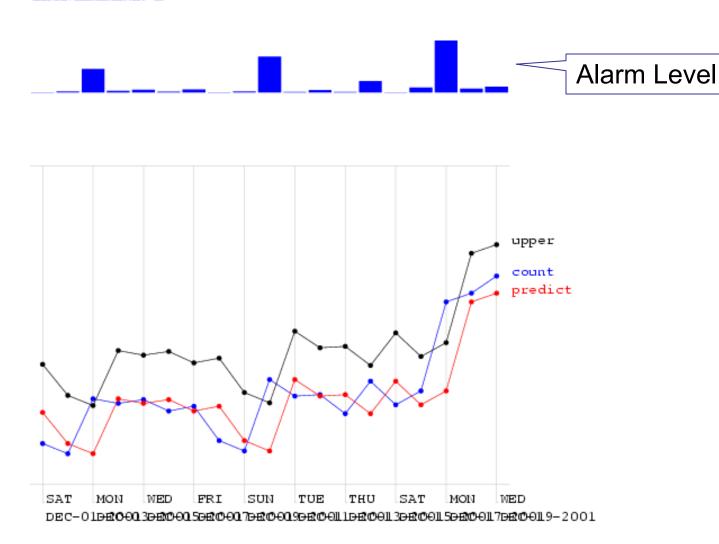
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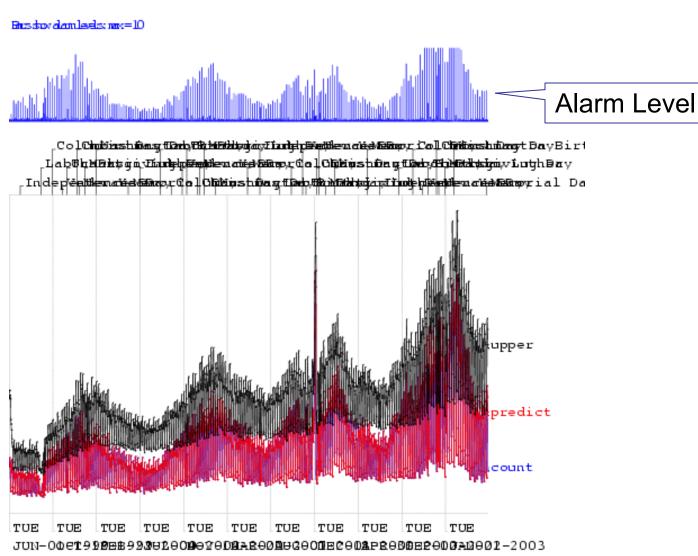
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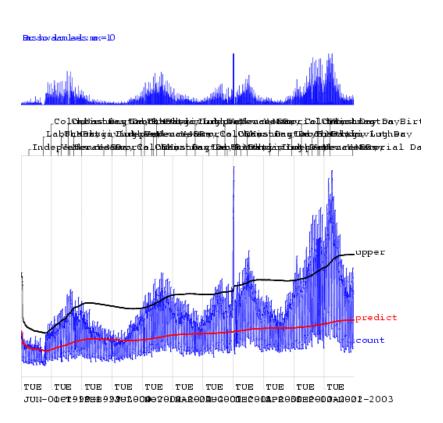


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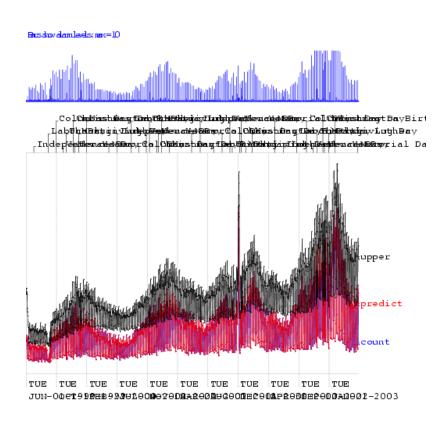


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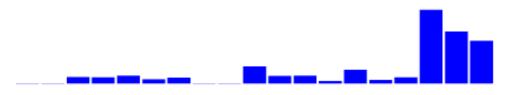
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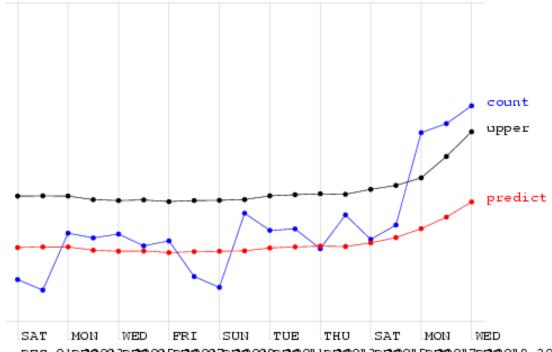


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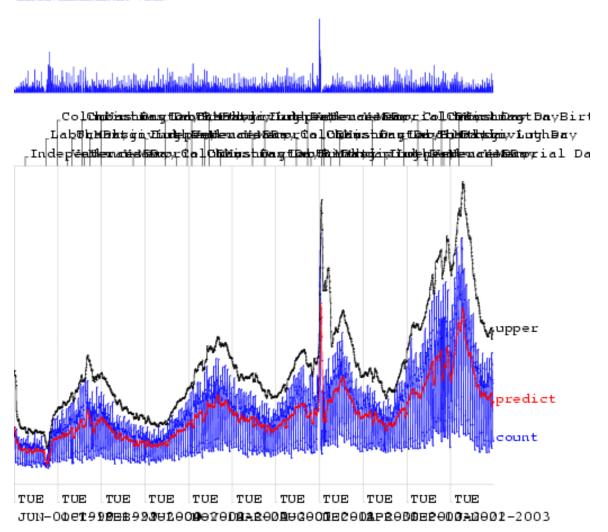


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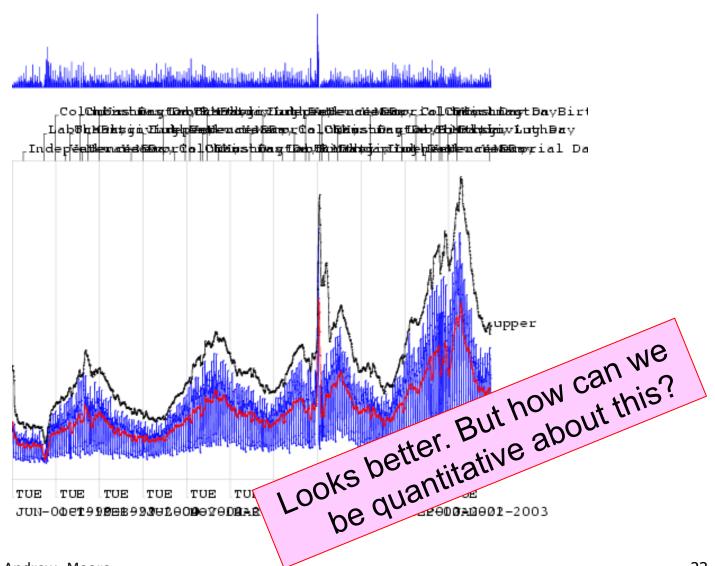




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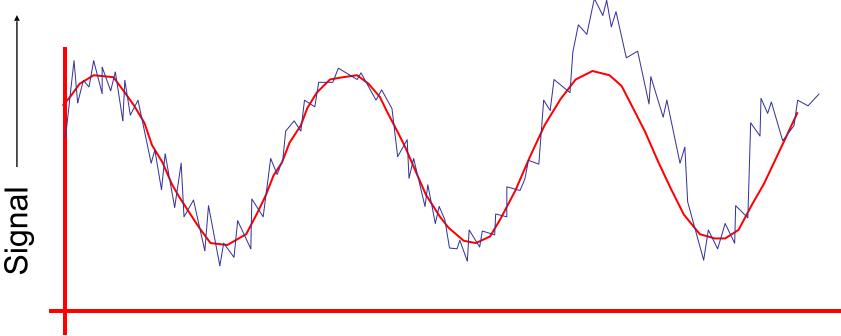
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Fit a periodic function (e.g. sine wave) to previous data. Predict today's signal and 3-sigma

confidence intervals. Signal an alarm if we're off.

Reduces False alarms from Natural outbreaks.

Different times of year deserve different thresholds.

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Day-of-week effects

Fit a day-of-week component

E[Signal] = a + delta_{day}

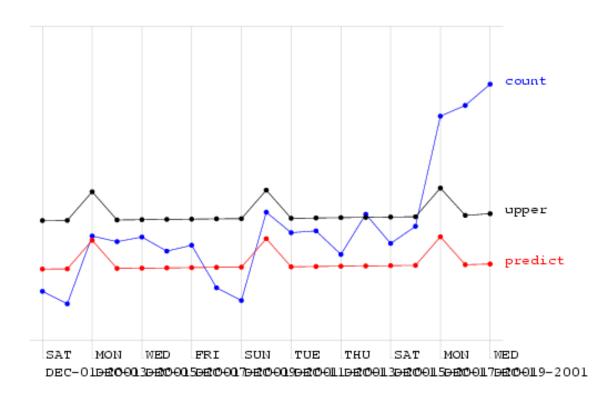
E.G: $delta_{mon}$ = +5.42, $delta_{tue}$ = +2.20, $delta_{wed}$ = +3.33, $delta_{thu}$ = +3.10, $delta_{fri}$ = +4.02, $delta_{sat}$ = -12.2, $delta_{sun}$ = -23.42

A simple form of ANOVA

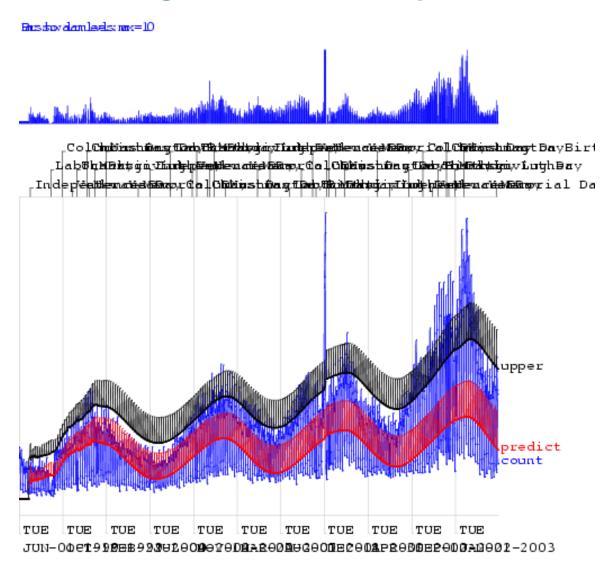
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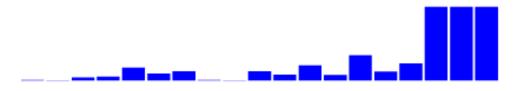
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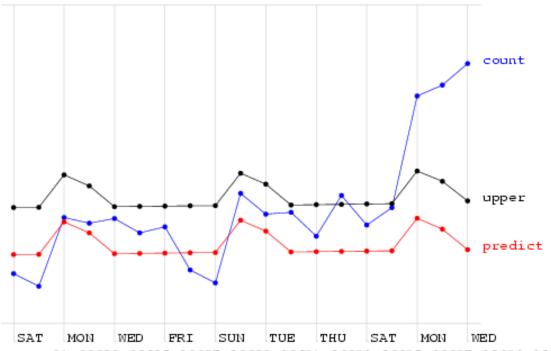
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Regression using Mon-Tue

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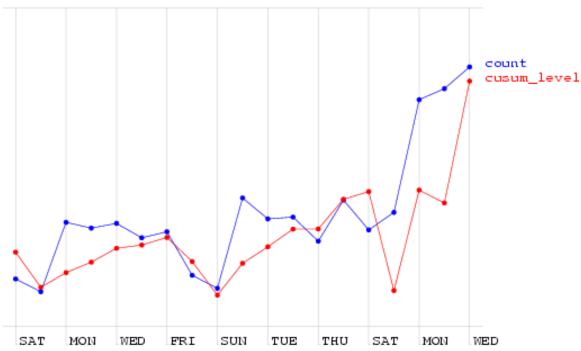
<u>CU</u>mulative <u>SUM</u> Statistics

- Keep a running sum of "surprises": a sum of excesses each day over the prediction
- When this sum exceeds threshold, signal alarm and reset sum

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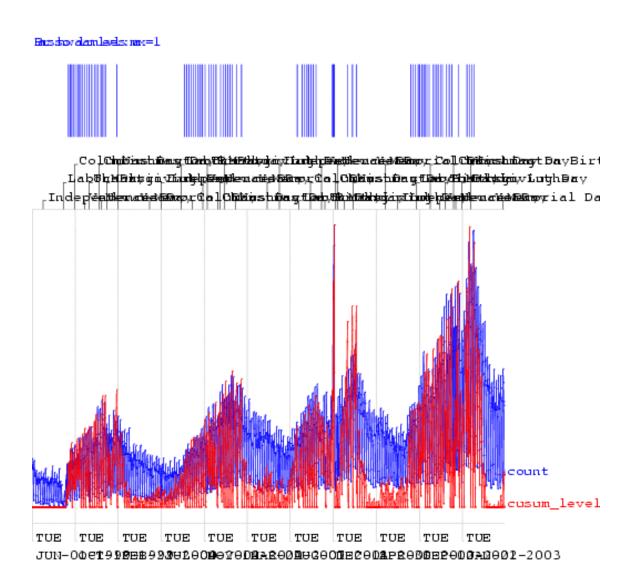
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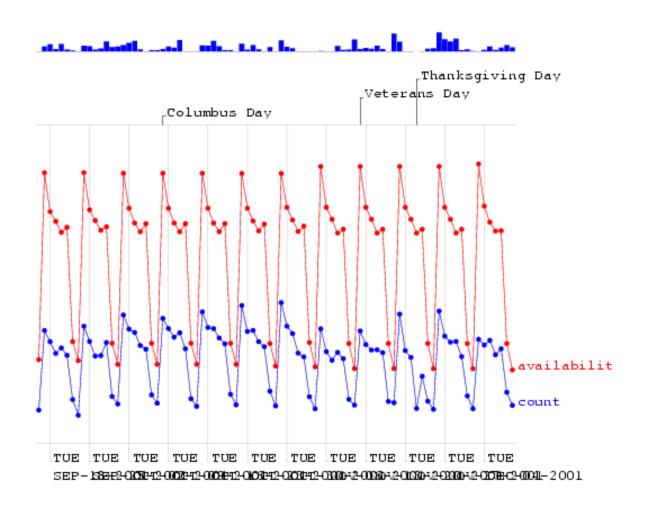
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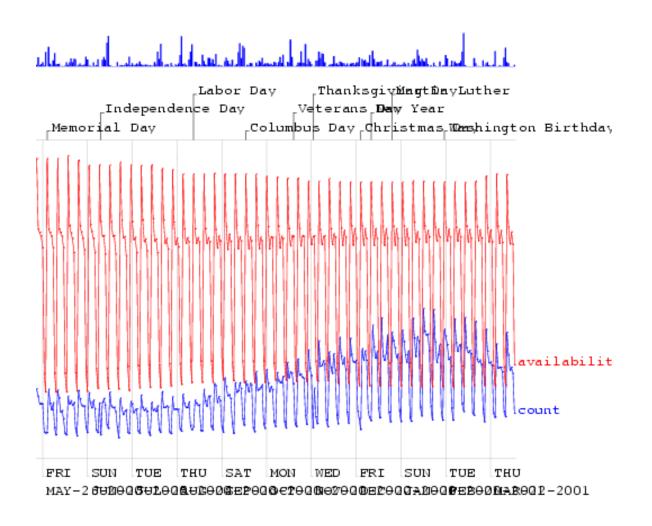
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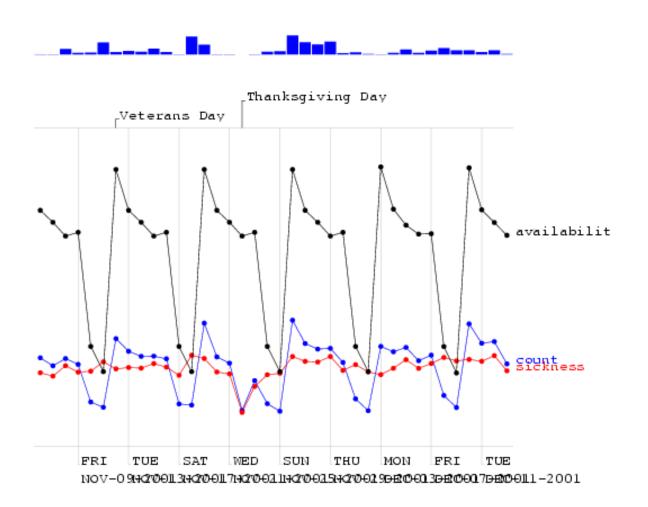
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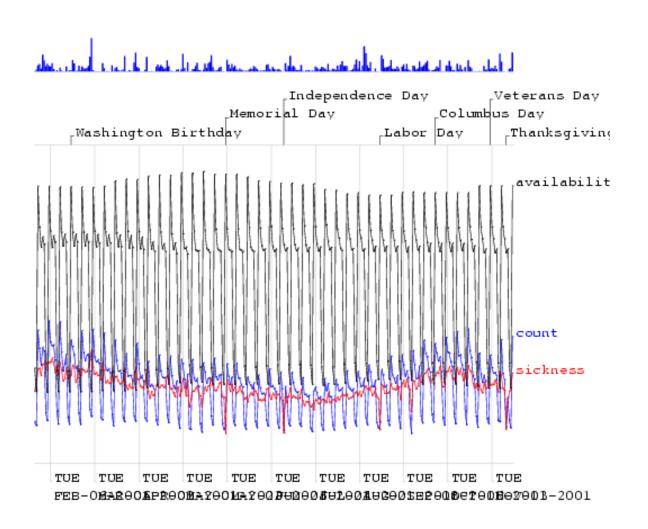
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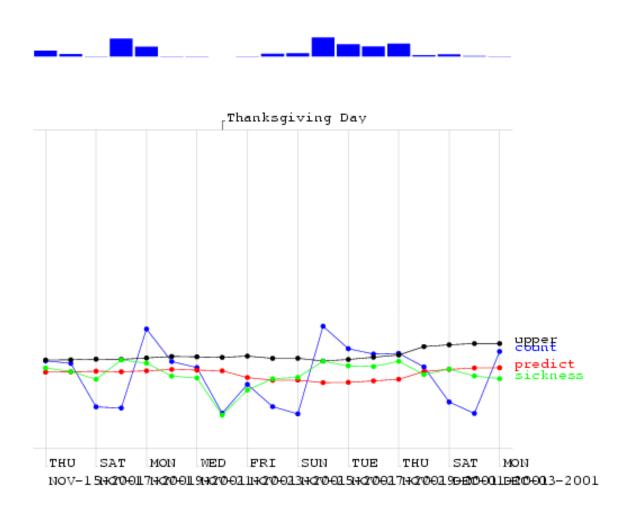
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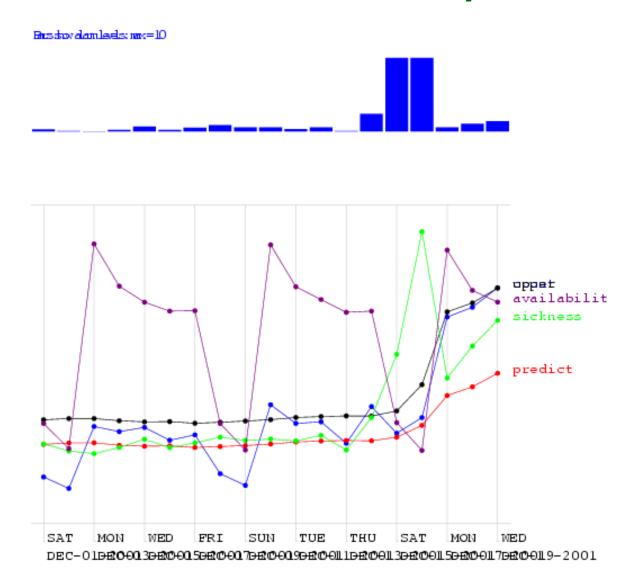


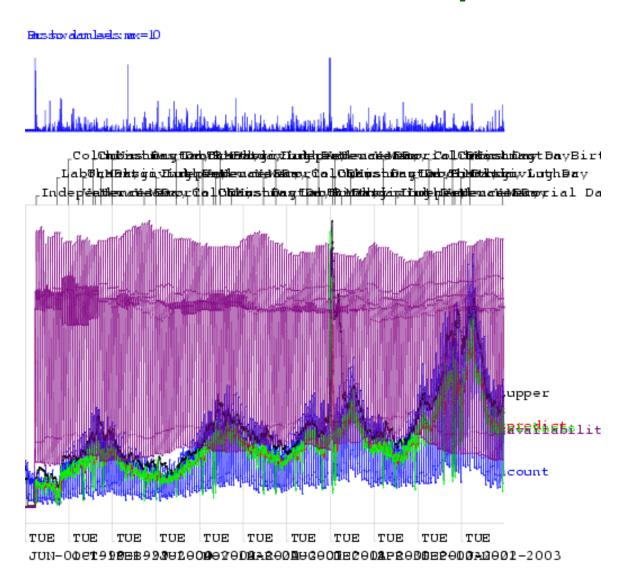
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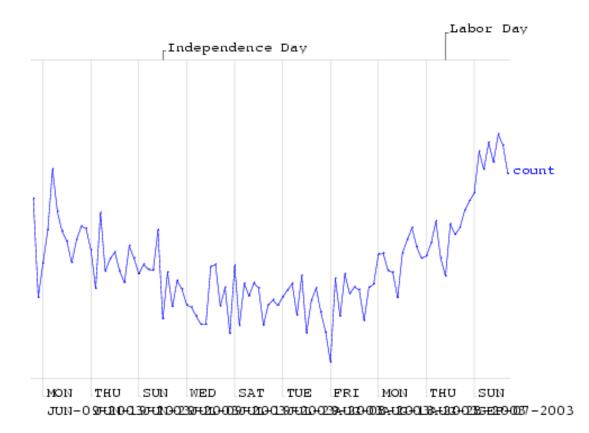
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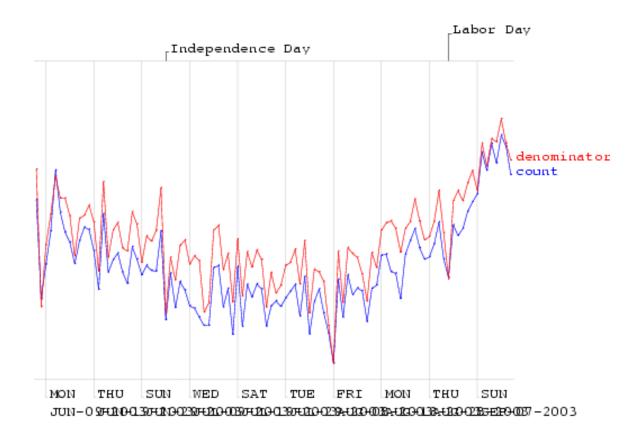
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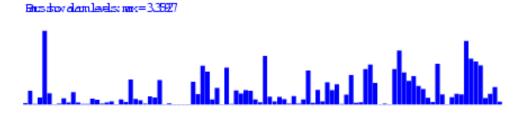
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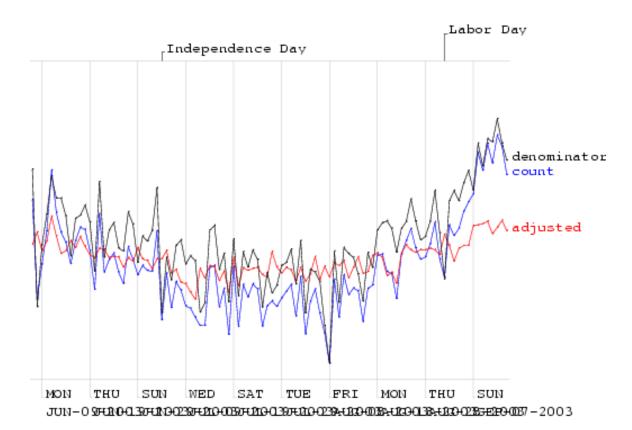




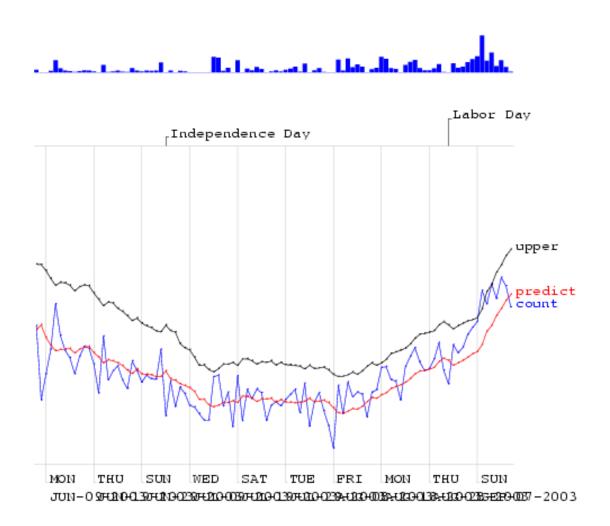








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Other state-of-the-art methods

- Wavelets
- Change-point detection
- Kalman filters
- Hidden Markov Models

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Multiple Signals





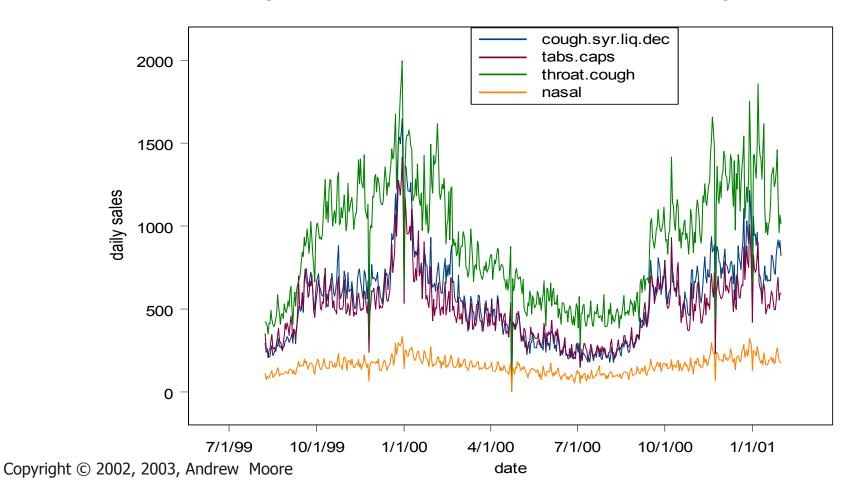






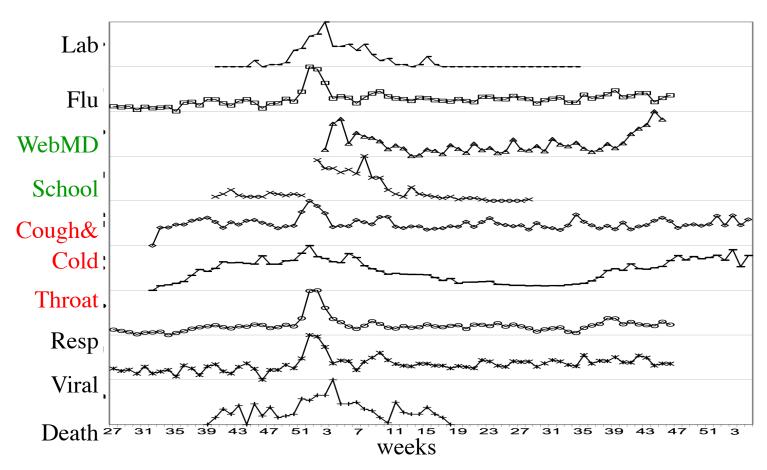
Multivariate Signals

(relevant to inhalational diseases)



Multi Source Signals

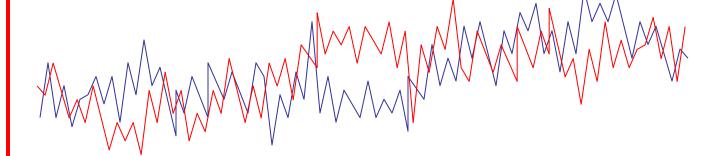
Footprint of Influenza in Routinely Collected Data



What if you've got multiple signals?



Blue: ED Respiratory Visits



Time——

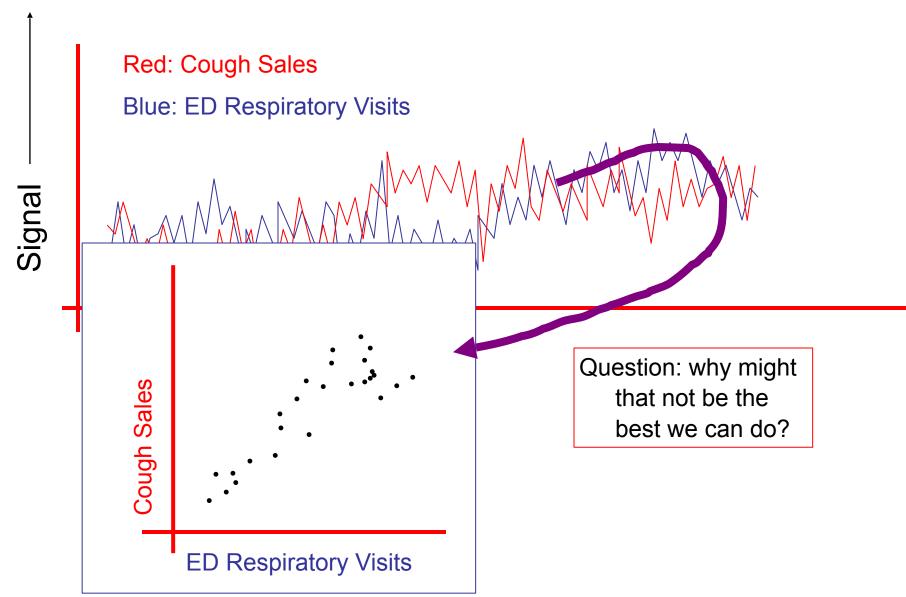
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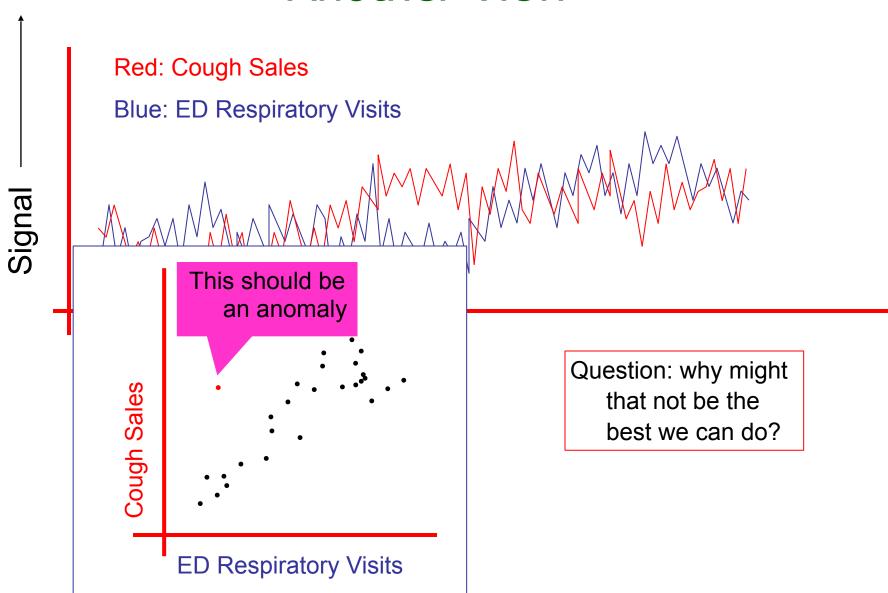
...Question: why might that not be the best we can do?

Signal

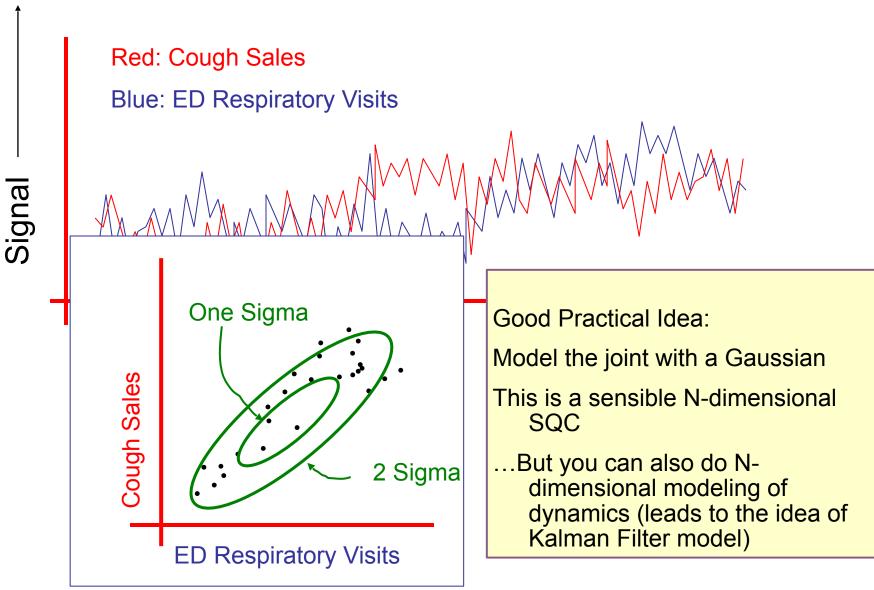
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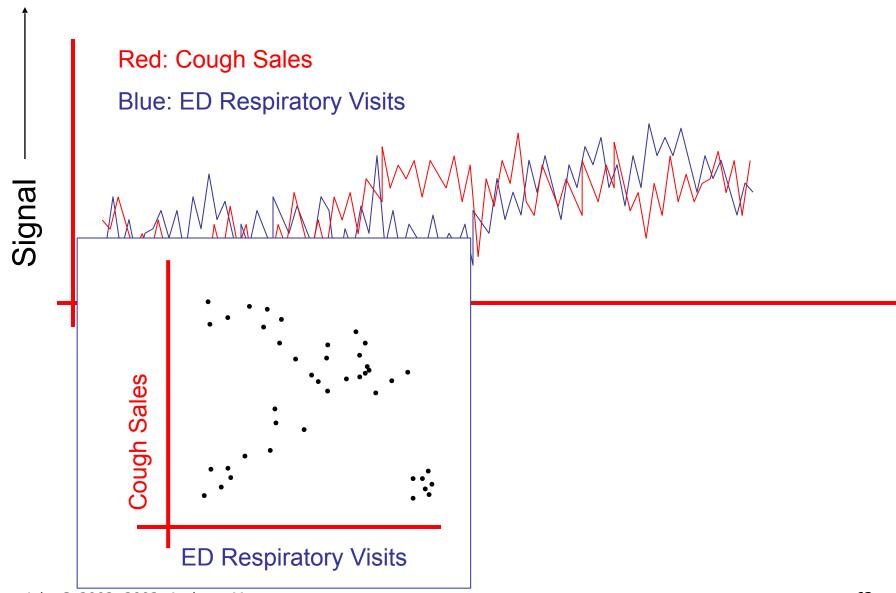
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N-dimensional Gaussian



But what if joint N-dimensional distribution is highly non-Gaussian?



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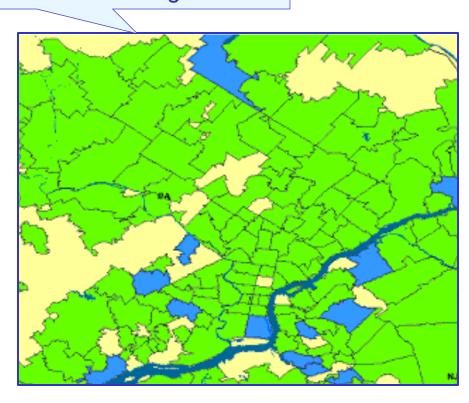
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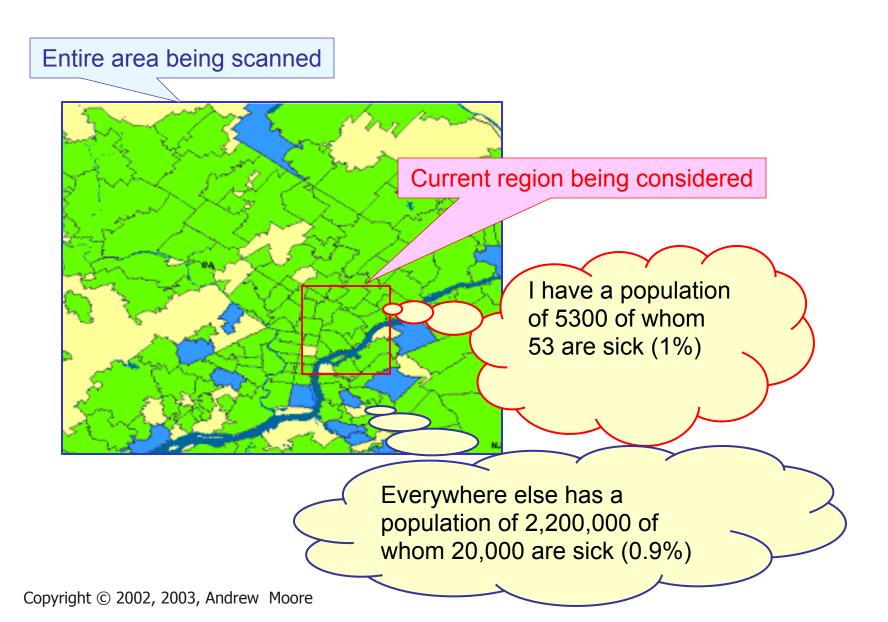
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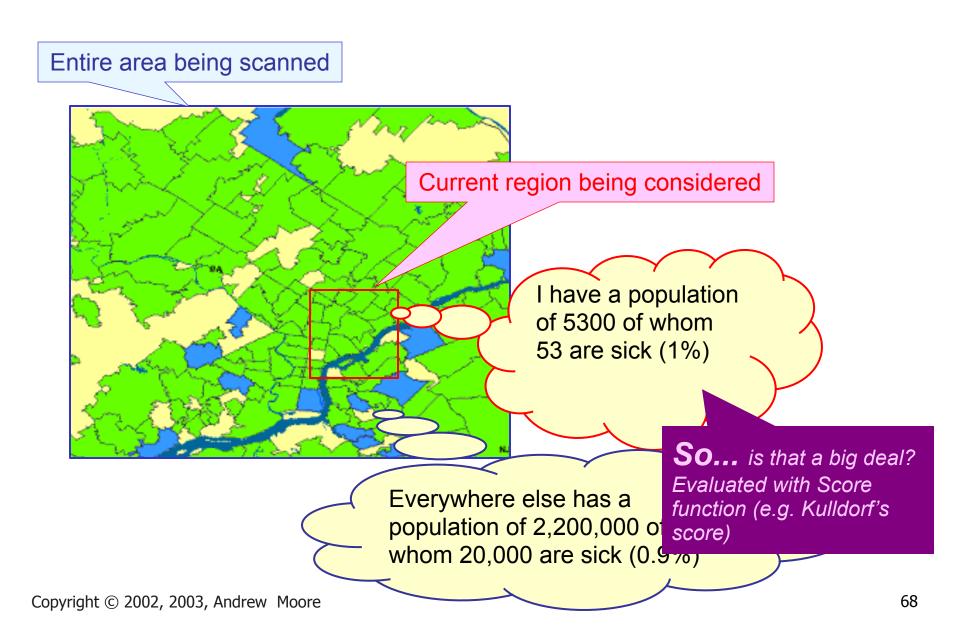
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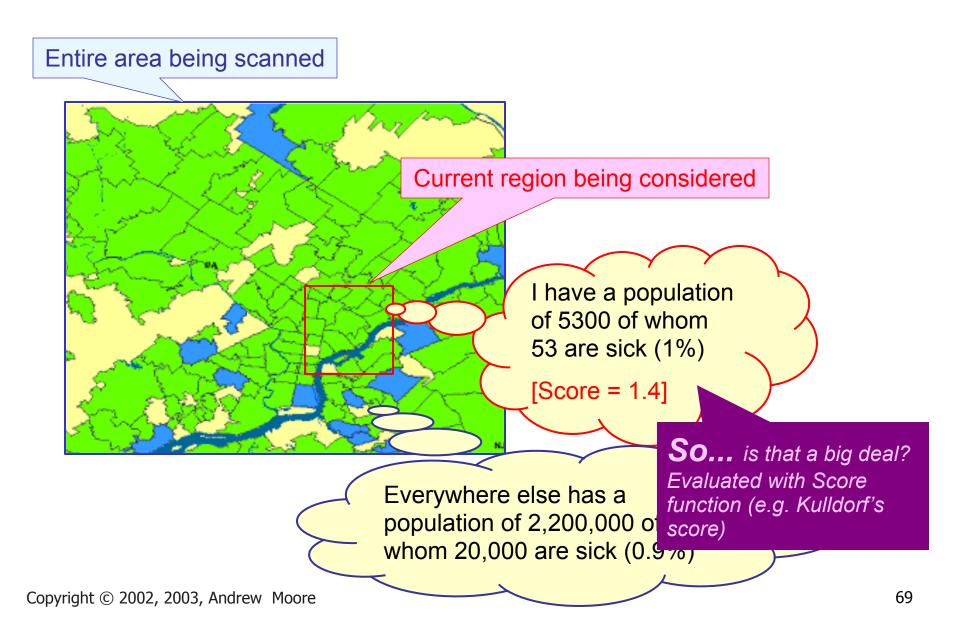
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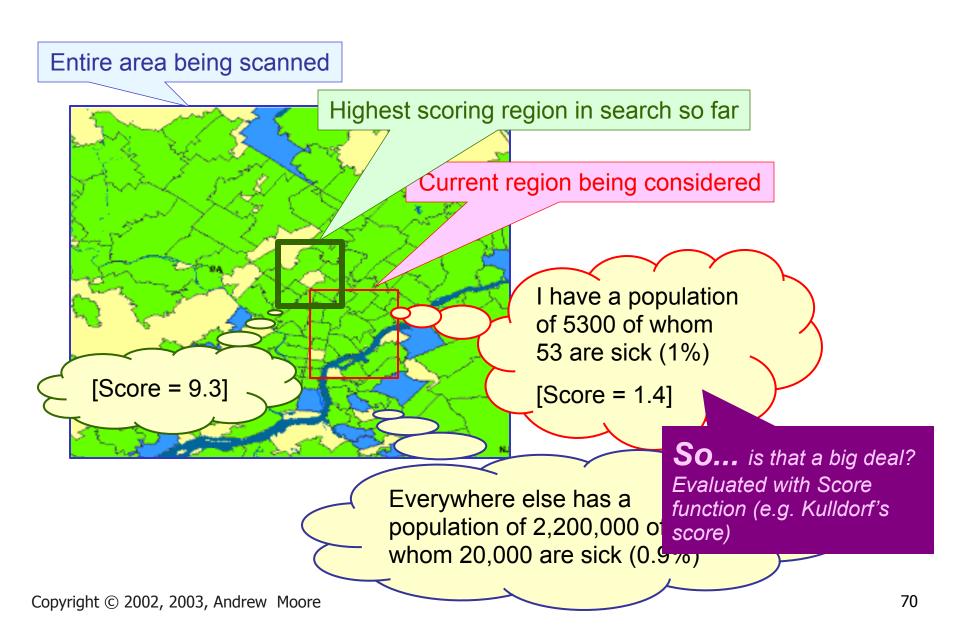
Entire area being scanned Current region being considered



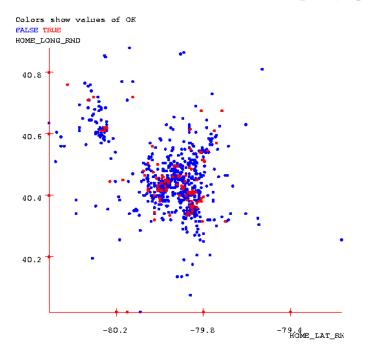




Many Steps of Spatial Scan



Scan Statistics



Standard scan statistic question:

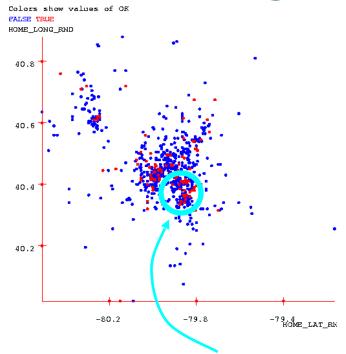
Given the geographical locations of occurrences of a phenomenon, is there a region with an unusually high (low) rate of these occurrences?

Standard approach:

- Compute the likelihood of the data given the hypothesis that the rate of occurrence is uniform everywhere, L₀
- For some geographical region, W, compute the likelihood that the rate of occurrence is uniform at one level inside the region and uniform at another level outside the region, L(W).
- 3. Compute the likelihood ratio, L(W)/L₀
- Repeat for all regions, and find the largest likelihood ratio. This is the scan statistic, S*_W
- 5. Report the region, W, which yielded the max, S* _w

See [Glaz and Balakrishnan, 99] for details

Significance testing

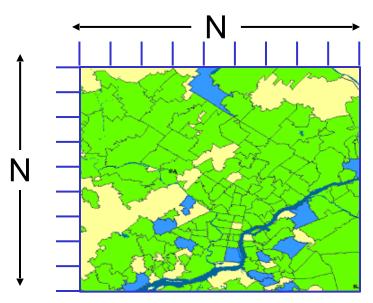


Given that region W is the most likely to be abnormal, is it significantly abnormal?

Standard approach:

- Generate many randomized versions of the data set by shuffling the labels (positive instance of the phenomenon or not).
- 2. Compute S*_W for each randomized data set. This forms a baseline distribution for S*_W if the null hypothesis holds.
- Compare the observed value of S*_W
 against the baseline distribution to
 determine a p-value.

Fast squares speedup

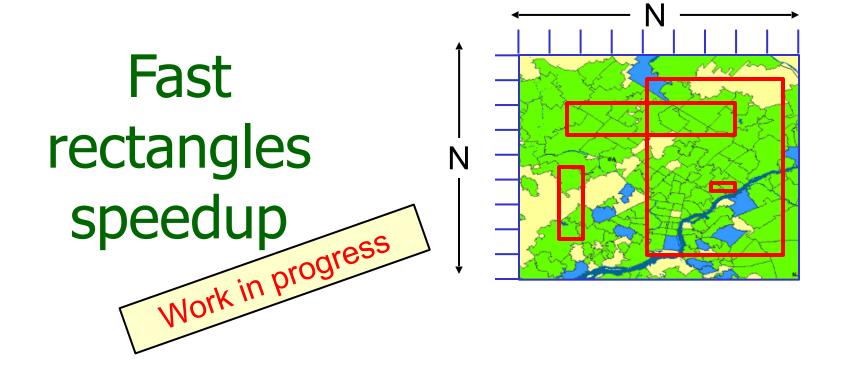


• Theoretical complexity of fast squares: O(N²) (as opposed to naïve N³), if maximum density region sufficiently dense.

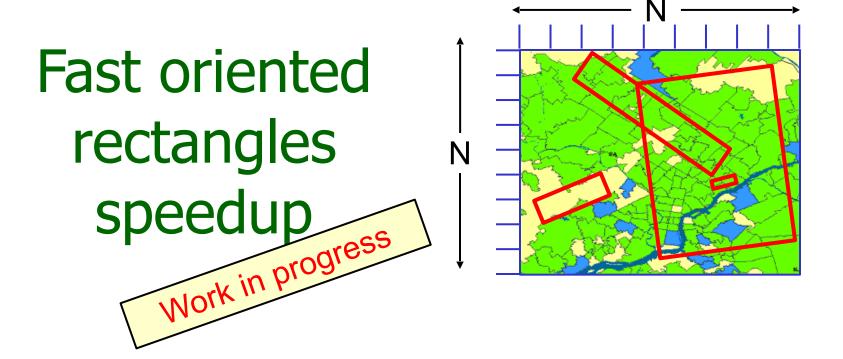
If not, we can use several other speedup tricks.

• In practice: 10-200x speedups on real and artificially generated datasets.

Emergency Dept. dataset (600K records): 20 minutes, versus 66 hours with naïve approach.



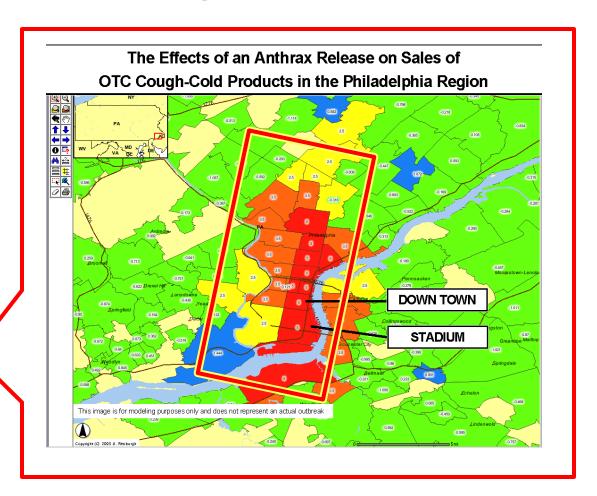
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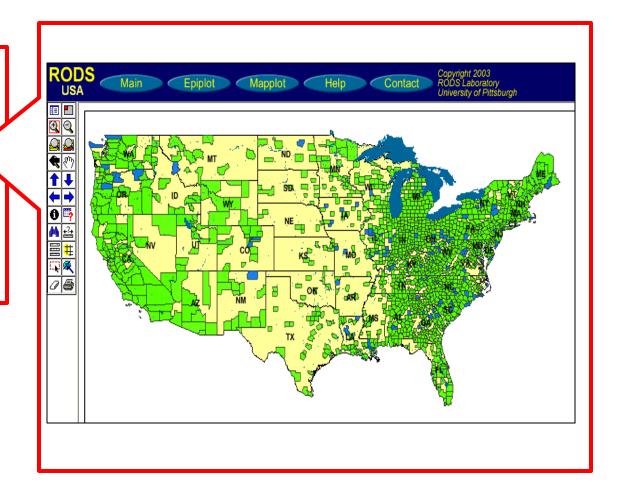
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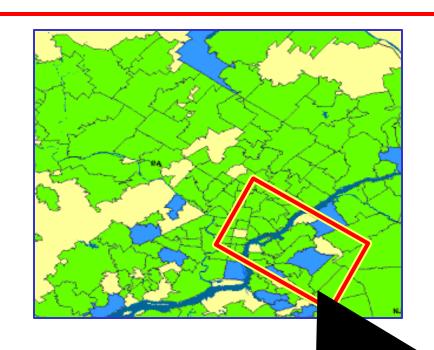
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This is the strangest region because the age distribution of respiratory cases has changed dramatically for no reason that can be explained by known background changes

What you'll learn about

- Noticing events in bioevent time series
- Tracking many series at once
- Detecting geographic hotspots
- Finding emerging new patterns

WSARE

Univariate Anomaly Detection

Multivariate
Anomaly Detection

Spatial Scan Statistics

But there's potentially more data than aggregates

Suppose we know that today in the ED we had...

- 421 Cases
- 78 Respiratory Cases
- 190 Males
- 32 Children
- 21 from North Suburbs
- 2 Postal workers (etc etc etc)

Have we made best use of all possible information?

There are so many things to look at





Absenteeism
by zipcode
Farm Workers
Recent month

Diarrhea by
Neighborhood
Among Elderly
Recent 24 hrs

Nyquil Sales by state
Recent 30 mins

Human
Analysts

Massive
Computer
Analysis

- What's Strange About Recent Events?
- Designed to be easily applicable to any date/ time-indexed biosurveillance-relevant data stream.

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Example

"last 24 hours"

"ignore key and weather"

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 Given 500 day's worth of ER cases at 15 hospitals...

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Fri 5/23/2000	C1, C2, C3, C4
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Sun 12/10/2000	C1, C2, C3, C4
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Sat 12/16/2000	C1, C2, C3, C4
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•	Ask:	"What's	different
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Fields we use:

Date, Time of Day, Prodrome, ICD9, Symptoms, Age, Gender, Coarse Location, Fine Location, ICD9 Derived Features, Census Block Derived Features, Work Details, Colocation Details

Example

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Sat 12-23-2001 (daynum 36882, dayindex 239)

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Table 1: A sample 2x2 Contingency Table

	C_{today}	C_{other}
$Age_Decile = 3$	48	45
$Age_Decile \neq 3$	86	220

Searching for the best score...

- Try ICD9 = x for each value of x
- Try Gender=M, Gender=F
- Try CoarseRegion=NE, =NW, SE, SW...
- Try FineRegion=AA,AB,AC, ... DD (4x4 Grid)
- Try Hospital=x, TimeofDay=x, Prodrome=X, ...
- [In future... features of census blocks]

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Multiple component rules

We would like to be able to find rules like:

There are a surprisingly large number of children with respiratory problems today

or

There are too many skin complaints among people from the affluent neighborhoods

- These are things that would be missed by casual screening
- BUT
 - The danger of overfitting could be much worse
 - It's very computationally demanding
 - How can we be sure the entire rule is meaningful?

Checking two component rules

Table 2: 2x2 Contingency Table 1 for a two component rule

Records from Today	Records from Other				
matching C_0 and C_1	matching C_0 and C_1				
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Table 3: 2x2 Contingency Table 2 for a two component rule

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WSARE on recent Utah Data

Saturday June 1st in Utah:

The most surprising thing about recent records is:

Normally:

0.8% of records (50/6205) have time before 2pm and prodrome = Hemorrhagic But recently:

2.1% of records (19/907) have time before 2pm and prodrome = Hemorrhagic

Pvalue = 0.0484042

Which means that in a world where nothing changes we'd expect to have a result this significant about once every 20 times we ran the program

Results on Emergency Dept Data

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### Rule 1: Tue 05-16-2000 (daynum 36661, dayindex 18)
SCORE = -0.00000000 PVALUE = 0.00000000
32.84% ( 44/134) of today's cases have Time Of Day4 after 6:00 pm 90.00% ( 27/ 30) of other cases have Time Of Day4 after 6:00 pm
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### Rule 2: Fri 06-30-2000 (daynum 36706, dayindex 63)

SCORE = -0.00000000 PVALUE = 0.00000000

19.40% ( 26/134) of today's cases have Place2 = NE and Lat4 = d

5.71% ( 16/280) of other cases have Place2 = NE and Lat4 = d
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Rule 3: Wed 09-06-2000 (daynum 36774, dayindex 131)

SCORE = -0.00000000 PVALUE = 0.00000000

17.16% (23/134) of today's cases have Prodrome = Respiratory and age2 less than 40

4.53% (12/265) of other cases have Prodrome = Respiratory and age2 less than 40

Rule 4: Fri 12-01-2000 (daynum 36860, dayindex 217)
SCORE = -0.00000000 PVALUE = 0.00000000
22.88% (27/118) of today's cases have Time Of Day4
after 6:00 pm and Lat2 = s
8.10% (20/247) of other cases have Time Of Day4
after 6:00 pm and Lat2 = s

Rule 5: Sat 12-23-2000 (daynum 36882, dayindex 239)

SCORE = -0.00000000 PVALUE = 0.00000000

18.25% (25/137) of today's cases have ICD9 = shortness of breath and Time Of Day2 before 3:00 pm

5.12% (15/293) of other cases have ICD9 = shortness of breath and Time Of Day2 before 3:00 pm

Rule 6: Fri 09-14-2001 (daynum 37147, dayindex 504)

SCORE = -0.00000000 PVALUE = 0.00000000

66.67% (30/45) of today's cases have Time Of Day4 before 10:00 am

18.42% (42/228) of other cases have Time Of Day4 before 10:00 am

- "Taking into account recent flu levels..."
- "Taking into account that today is a public holday..."
- "Taking into account that this is Spring..."
- "Taking into account recent heatwave..."
- "Taking into account that there's a known natural Food-borne outbreak in progress..."

Bonus: More efficient use of historical data

Analysis of variance

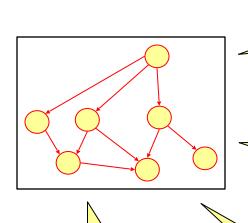
Good news:

If you're tracking a daily aggregate (e.g. number of flu cases in your ED, or Nyquil Sales)...then ANOVA can take care of many of these effects.

But...

What if you're tracking a whole joint distribution of transactional events?

Idea: Bayesian Networks



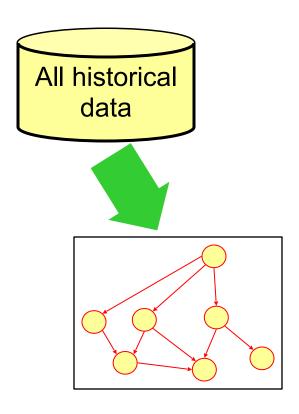
"Patients from West Park Hospital are less likely to be young"

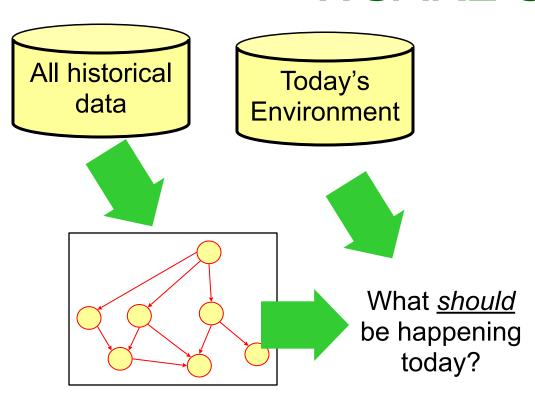
"On Cold Tuesday Mornings the folks coming in from the North part of the city are more likely to have respiratory problems"

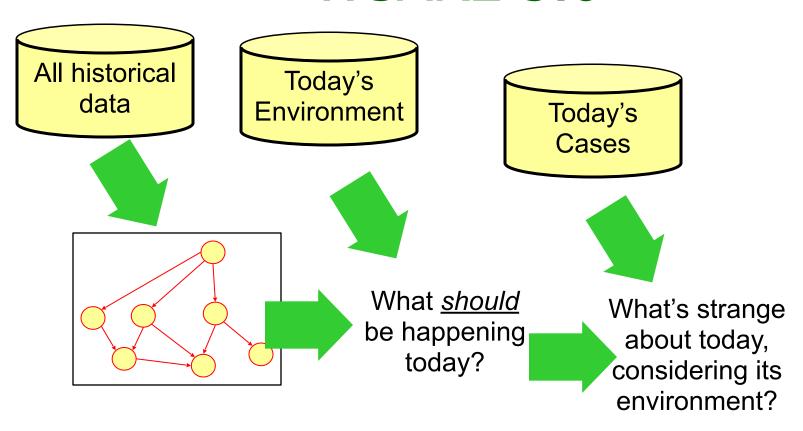
"The Viral prodrome is more likely to co-occur with a Rash prodrome than Botulinic"

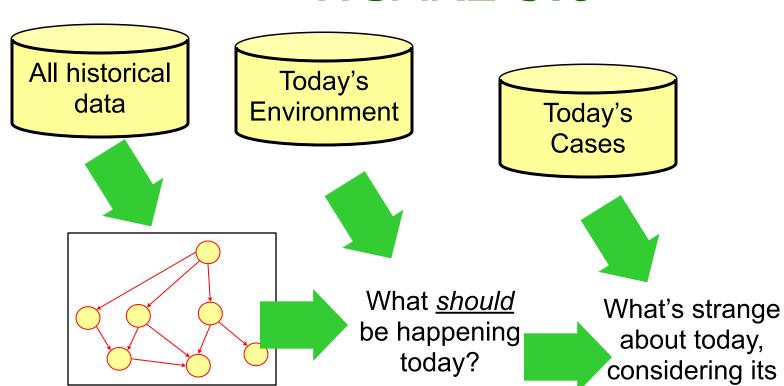
"On the day after a major holiday, expect a boost in the morning followed by a lull in the afternoon"





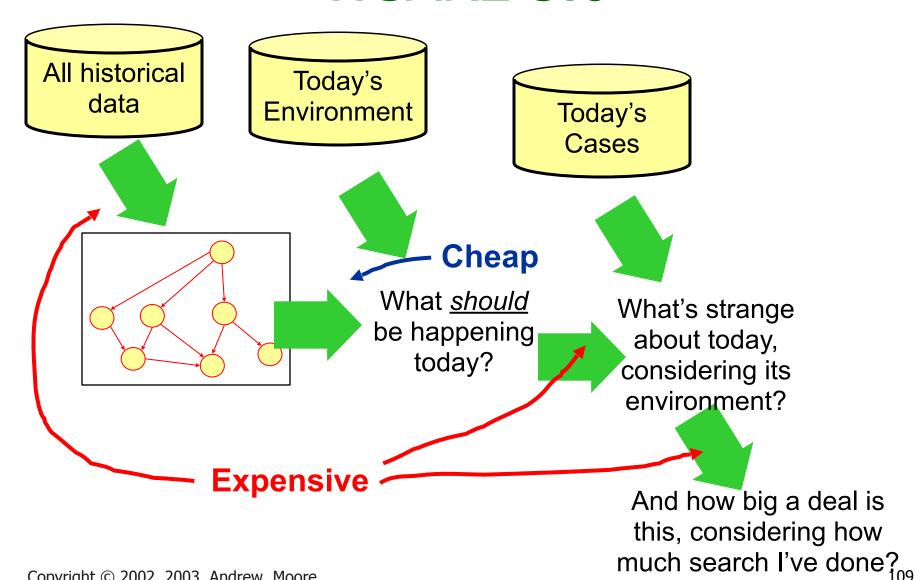


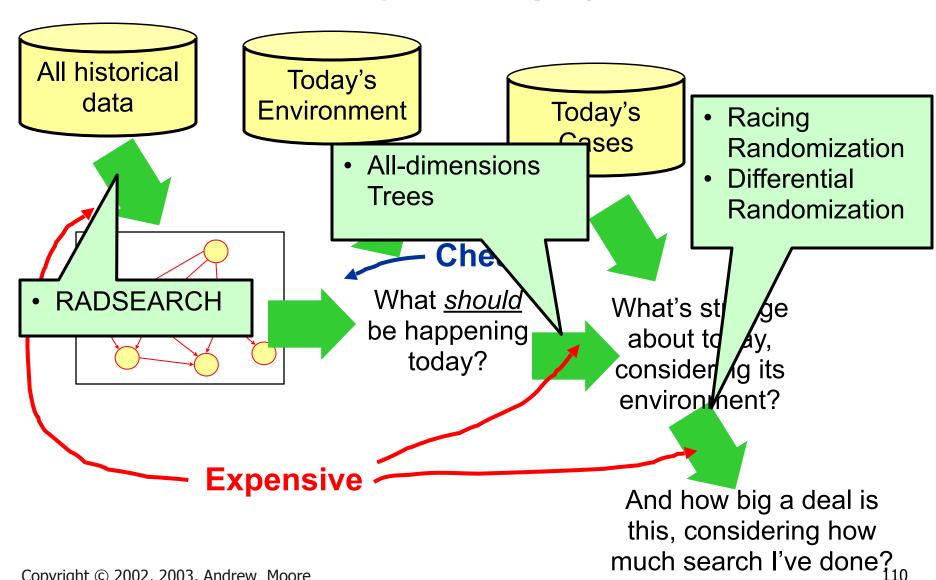


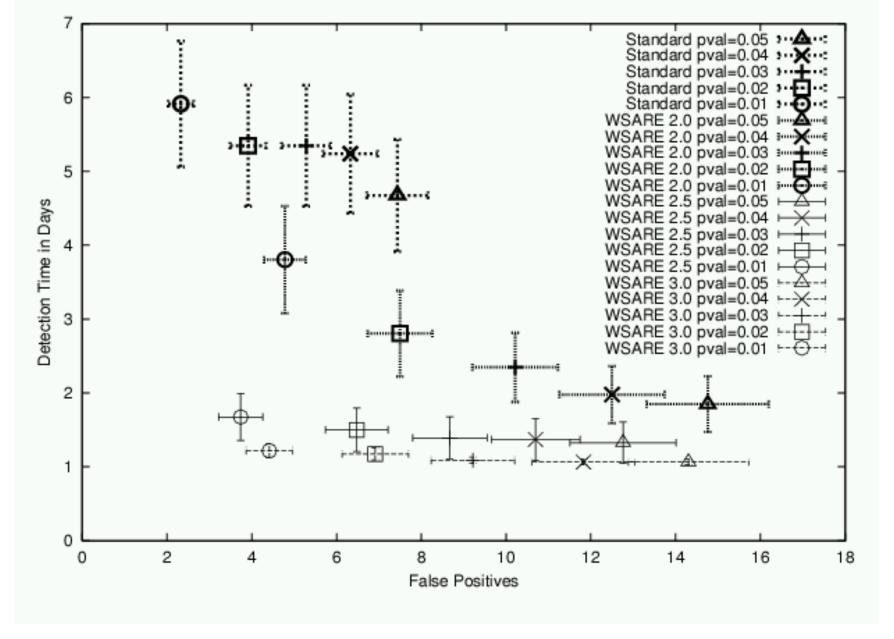


And how big a deal is this, considering how much search I've done?

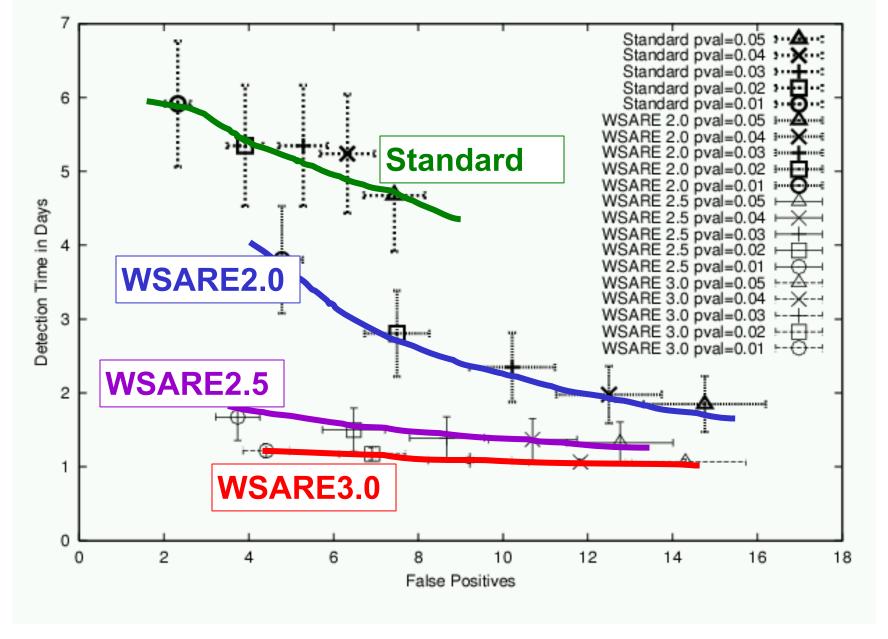
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Conclusion

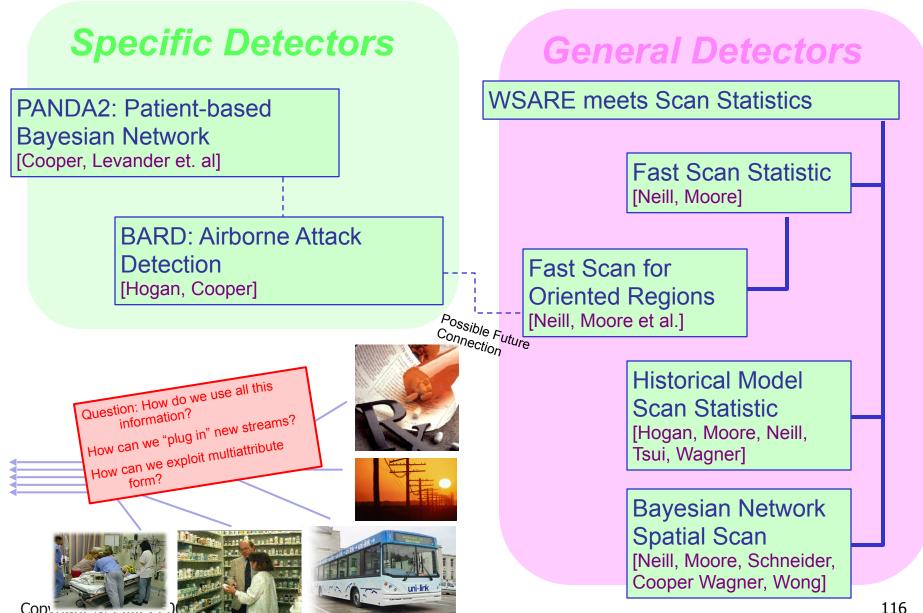
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- ...only we have to do it 10,000 times on the replicas during randomization
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- ...and keep relearning them as data arrives online...
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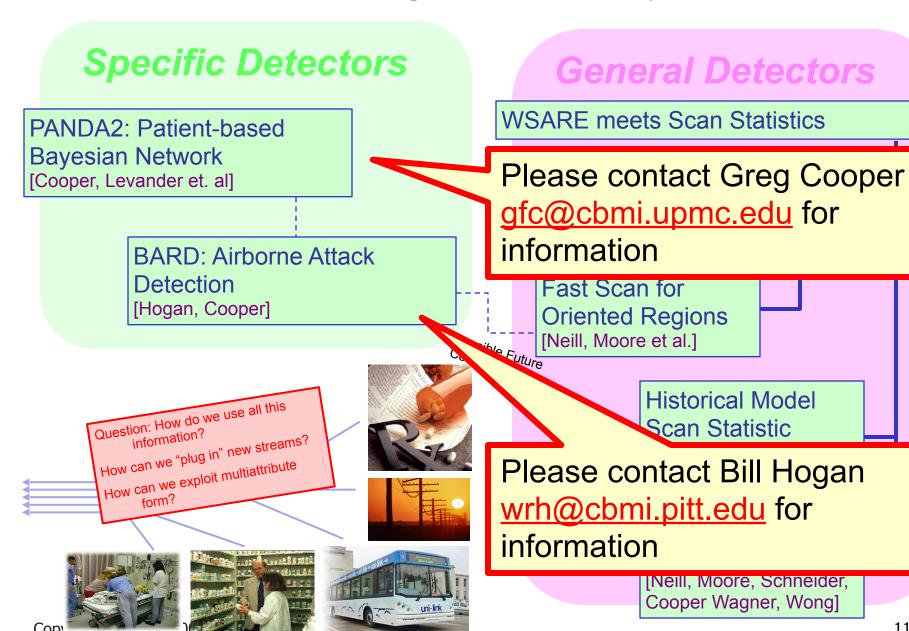
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- WSARE 2.0 Deployed during the past year
- WSARE 3.0 about to go online
- WSARE now being extended to additionally exploit over the counter medicine sales

Other New Algorithmic Developments



Other New Algorithmic Developments



For further info

- Papers on these and other anti-terror applications: www.cs.cmu.edu/~awm/ antiterror
- Papers on scaling up many of these analysis methods: www.cs.cmu.edu/ ~awm/papers.html
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Information Gain, Decision Trees

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Probability Densities in Data Mining

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Maximum Likelihood Estimation

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Overfitting: detection and avoidance

The many approaches to cross-validation

Locally Weighted Learning

Bayes Net, Bayes Net Structure Learning, Anomaly Detection

Andrew's Top 8 Favorite Regression Algorithms (Regression Trees, Cascade Correlation, Group Method Data Handling (GMDH), Multivariate Adaptive Regression Splines (MARS), Multilinear Interpolation, Radial Basis Functions, Robust Regression, Cascade Correlation + Projection Pursuit

Clustering, Mixture Models, Model Selection

K-means clustering and hierarchical clustering

Vapnik-Chervonenkis (VC) Dimensionality and Structural Risk Minimization

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http://www.autonlab.org/

See also: http://www.health.pitt.edu/rods