

Adapted Wavelets for Pattern Recognition

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Introduction

The fields of applications of wavelets are growing involving, for instance

- Signal Analysis
- Image Processing
- Function Approximation

We use wavelets for
Pattern detection problems.

Introduction

admissibility condition:
$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\widehat{\Psi}(\omega)|^2}{|\omega|} d\omega < +\infty$$

For real wavelets, it is sufficient to satisfy

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \Psi(x) dx = 0, \text{ and } x\Psi(x) \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$$

There exist several families of wavelets.
It is possible to create new ones.

Introduction (cont.)

What we do

We give a method to construct
pattern-adapted wavelets
and we use them to solve
some **pattern detection problems**.

We will work only with 1D real wavelets
and compactly supported patterns.

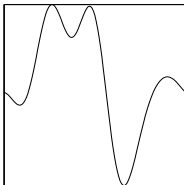
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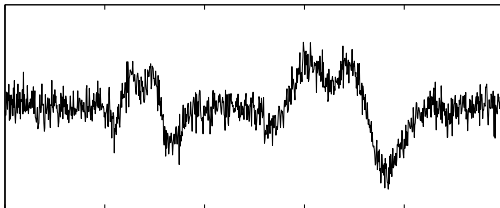
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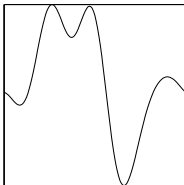
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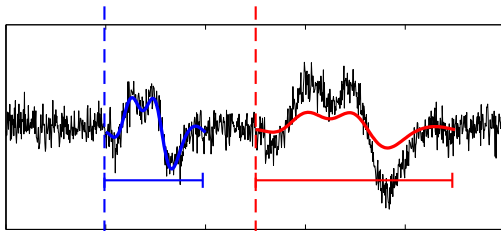
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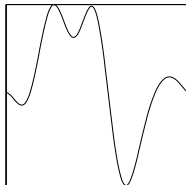
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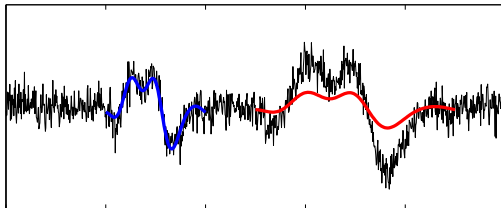
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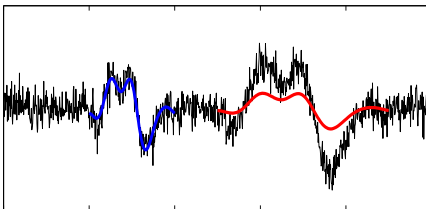


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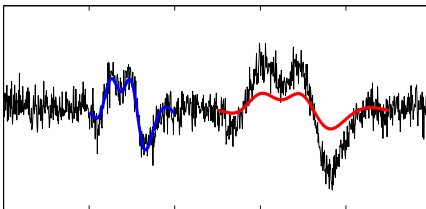
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Template matching or pattern matching is a frequently used technique (Brunelli and Poggio(1997)).

For problems in 1D it is known as Matched Filters.

The cross-correlation between the signal and the matched filter is computed to estimate the local similarity for each time shift.

Why with wavelets?

- A zero-average 1D compactly supported function is close to a wavelet.
- The wavelet transforms allow to decompose any signal in “frequency” bands.
- There exist efficient implementations of the transforms.
- The wavelet analysis also allows to compute the cross-correlation along the scales.

Pattern-Adapted Wavelets.

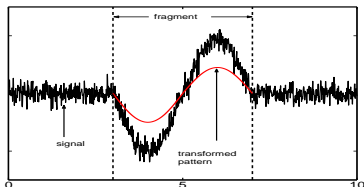
Adapted wavelets for pattern detection

For any compactly supported pattern f , an adapted wavelet ψ_f and a signal S ,

The continuous wavelet transform (CWT)

$$W_{\psi_f} S(a, b) = \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \psi_f\left(\frac{x-b}{a}\right), S(x) \right\rangle$$

Estimate the local correlation of S and $f(\frac{x-b}{a})$ for any $a > 0$.



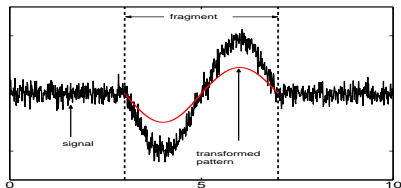
Also, for high correlation:

$$\text{Amplitude} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} W_{\psi_f} S(a, b)$$

Our detection problem

Pattern Detection Problem:

Given a finitely supported **pattern** f and a 1D **signal** S , to find where the signal is locally similar (in terms of **correlation**) to a scaled version of the pattern estimating both **time-shift** and **scale factor**.



Assumption:

$$\text{supp}(f) = [0, 1]$$

Let us denote

$$\cos(a, b) = \frac{W_{\psi_f} S(a, b)}{\|S\|_{[b, a+b]} \|\psi_f\|}$$

Three steps procedure

We proved that for any fixed scale $a > 0$,

Local maxima of $W_{\psi_f}^2 S(a, b)$ as a function of b
are the **ONLY** possible values for which
the (squared) similarity of S to $f(\frac{x-b}{a})$ is locally maximum.

alert: Point (a, b) , for $a > 0$ such that $W_{\psi_f}^2 S(a, b)$ is locally maximum in b .

Selection rules

Two kinds of rules:

- **(P-B)** Pattern-based rules: designed only from the pattern.
Allow to check the similarity between the pattern and the fragment of the signal.

Example

$$|\cos(a^*, b^*)| \leq \left(1 + \frac{|W_{\psi_f} S(a, b) - \Gamma^* \cdot W_{\psi_f} S(a^*, b^*)|}{|W_{\psi_f} S(a^*, b^*)| \sqrt{1 - \Gamma^{*2}}} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\text{where } \Gamma^* = \Gamma\left(\frac{a}{a^*}, \frac{b-b^*}{a^*}\right) = \left\langle \frac{a}{a^*} \psi_f \left(\frac{x - \frac{b-b^*}{a^*}}{a/a^*} \right), \psi_f(x) \right\rangle$$

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- **(A-B)** Application-based rules: based on the specifications of the problem. Allow to check the relevance with respect to the problem.

Three steps procedure

We propose to follow this three steps procedure:

- ➊ Given the motif f to detect, create the pattern-adapted wavelet $\psi_f(x)$.
- ➋ Detect all the alerts on the signal.
- ➌ Discard the false alerts by using selection rules.

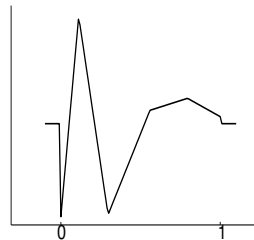
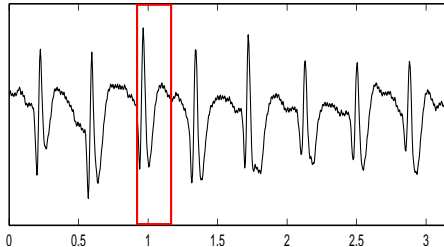
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The pattern

Figure: An electroencephalogram (EEG)

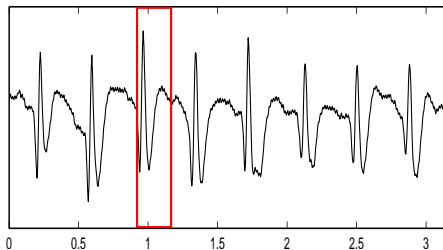


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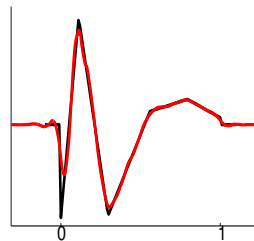
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The adapted wavelet



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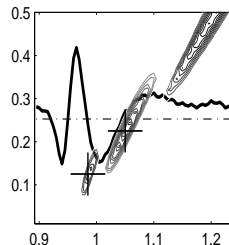
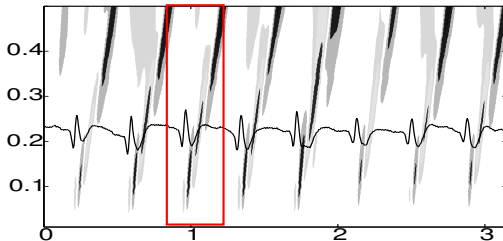


Figure: The signal superimposed to the wavelet energy of an EEG. Black regions means higher wavelet energy

Zooming...

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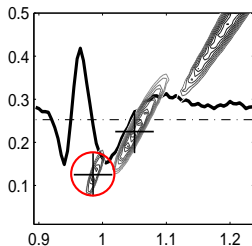


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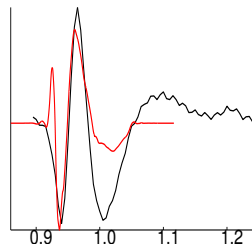


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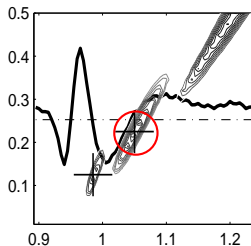


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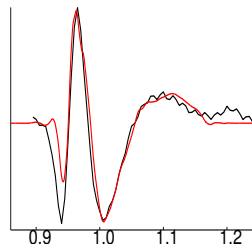


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Adapting wavelets

There exists many methods to construct pattern-adapted wavelets:

- Solving the (bi)orthogonal relations.
Chapa and Rao (2000).
- Projection based methods.
Unser and Aldroubi (1993), Abry and Aldroubi (1995).
- Lifting scheme.
Sweldens (1996).

Lifting

It is based on the definition of Multiresolution Analysis (MRA).
 Let φ and ψ be a scaling function and a wavelet. Let f be the pattern.

The new primal wavelet ψ_l is computed by:

$$\psi_l(x) = \psi(x) + \sum_i l_i \varphi(x - i)$$

where $\sum_i l_i = 0$.

The adapted wavelet would be ψ_f such that

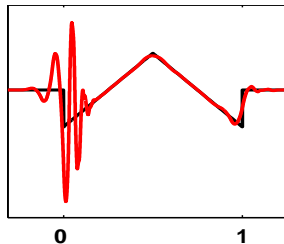
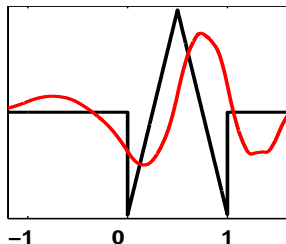
$$\|\psi_f - f\| = \min_{\sum_i l_i = 0} \|\psi_l - f\|$$

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It takes profit of the good approximation properties of the scaling functions



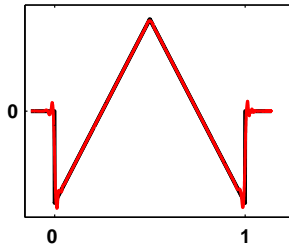
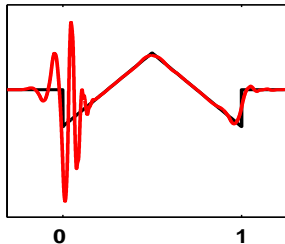
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For orthogonal MRAs:

$$\begin{aligned} k^* &= \arg \max_k \langle f, \psi(x - k) \rangle \\ c^* &= \langle f, \psi(x - k^*) \rangle \\ l^*[n] &= \langle f, \varphi(x - n) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

The new filters

The associated filters $(u, v^N, \mathring{u}^N, \mathring{v}^N)$ are computed with

$$v^N = c \cdot \delta_{2k} \star v + [l]_{\uparrow_2} \star u$$

$$\mathring{u}^N = u - \frac{1}{c} \delta_{2k} \star [l]_{\uparrow_2}^\vee \star v$$

$$\mathring{v}^N = \frac{1}{c} \delta_{2k} \star \mathring{v} .$$

Operators:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_k[j] &= \delta(k-j) && \text{(Kronecker delta)} \\ u \star v[n] &= \sum_j u[j]v[n-j] && \text{(Convolution)} \\ [u]_{\uparrow_2}[n] &= u[2n] && \text{(Upsampling)} \\ u^\vee[n] &= u[-n] && \text{(Reflection)} \end{aligned}$$

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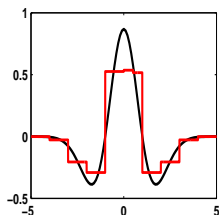


Figure: with the Haar basis

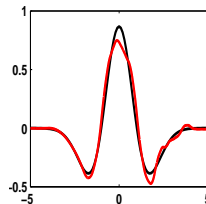


Figure: with the $Db5$ basis

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Mexican hat

$$\psi_f(x) = c\psi(x-k) - \sum_i l_i \varphi(x-i)$$

$$k = 0, c = 0.01$$

Wavelet(ρ)	MSE
Haar(1)	0.431079
Haar(8)	0.057565
Haar(32)	0.017394
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$$\begin{aligned} f_\varepsilon(x) &= f(x) + \varepsilon g(x), \\ \|g\| &= 1 \end{aligned} \implies \|\psi_{f_\varepsilon} - \psi_f\|^2 \leq \varepsilon^2 C$$

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- Easy to extend to other domains:
 - 2D separable wavelets,
 - Multiwavelets.

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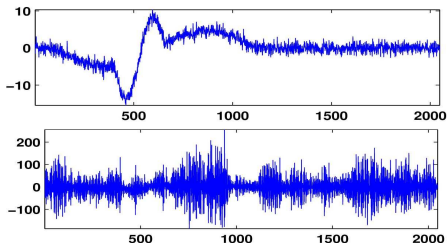
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Spike Detection

Electroencephalogram (EEG) is an important clinical tool for diagnosing, monitoring and managing neurological disorders related to epilepsy.

Spikes correspond to tiny epileptic discharges which last for a fraction of a second.

Automatic spike detection helps to make quantitative descriptions of spike density, topology and morphology what could help to determine patient syndrome and surgical outcome (Scott (2002)).

The Problem

Three characteristics of spikes given by Gloor (1975):

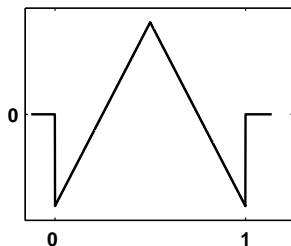
- **Shape:** restricted triangular transients having an amplitude of, at least, twice of the preceding 5s of background activity.
- **Duration:** less than $200ms$.
- **Electric field:** defined by involvement of a second adjacent electrode.

The Detection Procedure

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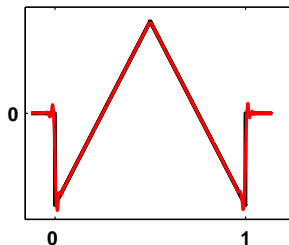


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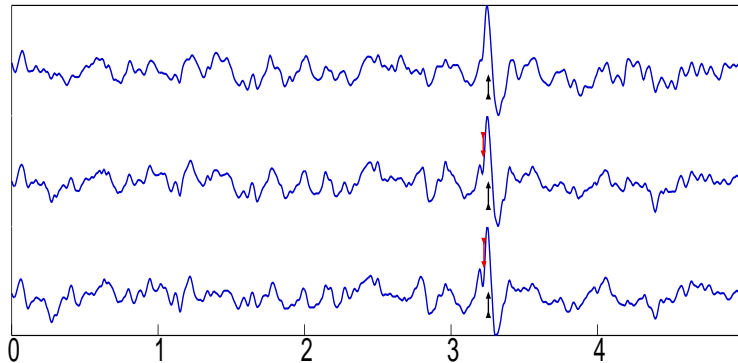
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Problem-dependent rules

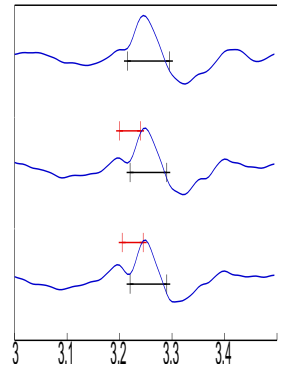
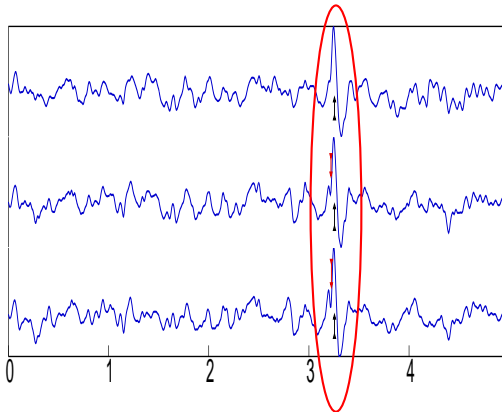
Taken from the characteristics of spikes:

- **Duration:** $a \leq 200ms$. Discontinuities will cause false alerts for small a , so we keep only $a \geq 10ms$.
- **Amplitude:** $\frac{1}{a}W^2(a, b) > 4\sigma_{bg}^2$ where $\sigma_{bg}^2(b)$ is the average background amplitude computed as the average of the local maxima of $\frac{1}{a}W^2(a, b)$ for 5s of signal before the alert-time b .
- **Not a random event:** $W^2(a, b) > \tau\sigma(b) + \mu(b)$, i.e. the wavelet energy must be larger than a multiple of the standard deviation σ of the background amplitudes plus its mean μ
- **Must cause a field:** At the end, it is checked if there exist a field (a similarity-alert) in an adjacent channel.

Some results

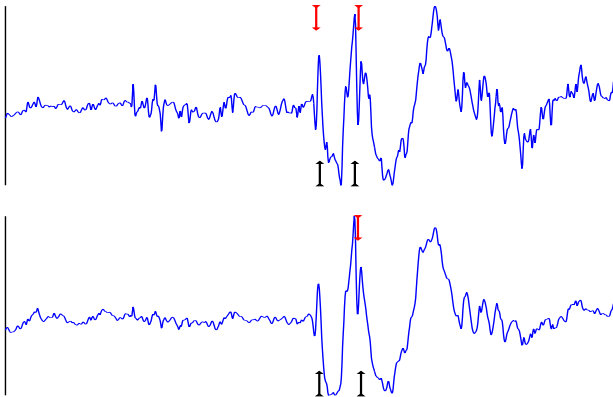


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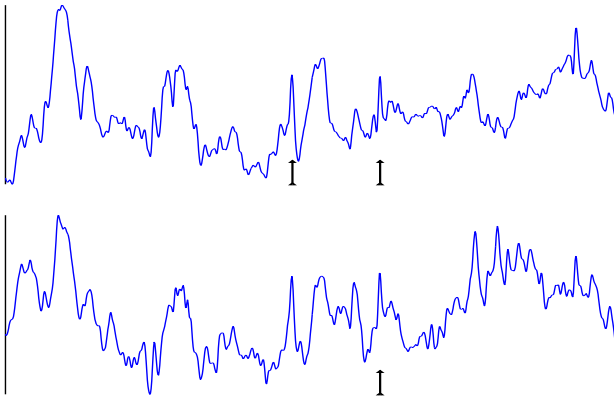
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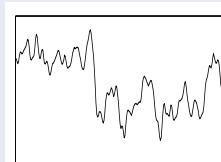
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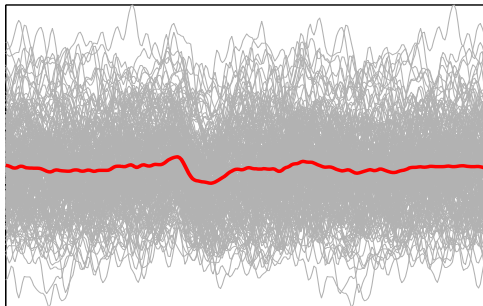


Reaction in the EEG
(Evoked Potential)



Evoked Potential

Too many trials are needed to obtain the averaged evoked potential (EP).



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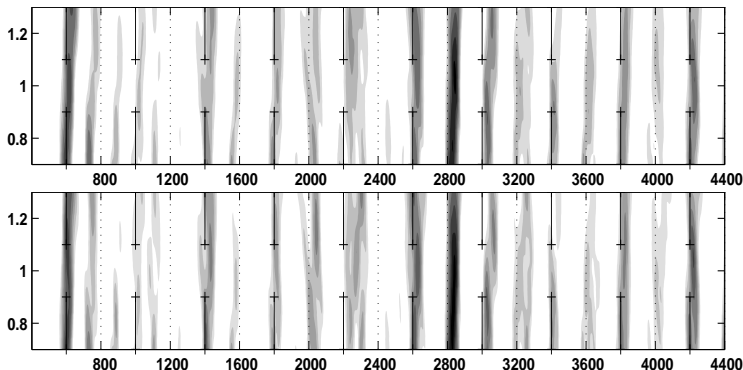
Reducing the number of trials

Table: Some descriptive statistics of the correlation between subset-adapted and whole set-adapted wavelets (217 trials).

size	mean	std	min	5%	10%	25%	50%
5%	0.6240	0.1440	0.0532	0.3563	0.4221	0.5309	0.6404
10%	0.7632	0.1018	0.3460	0.5691	0.6189	0.7027	0.7781
15%	0.8281	0.0754	0.4772	0.6785	0.7195	0.7815	0.8387
20%	0.8722	0.0593	0.5838	0.7543	0.7848	0.8380	0.8819
25%	0.9010	0.0512	0.5096	0.8026	0.8281	0.8703	0.9104
30%	0.9223	0.0403	0.6862	0.8389	0.8612	0.9012	0.9262

Detection

The CWT with the whole set-adapted wavelet does not change significantly when using a subset-adapted wavelet of 30% trials.



Trial Rejection

Some trials are not good for the analysis.

The adapted wavelets may be used to detect bad trials even when it is difficult to find the potential in the trial.

Possible rules:

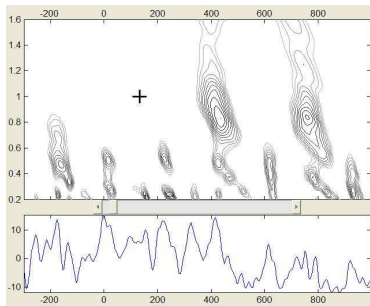
A-B.1 There must exists an alert close to $(1, b_0)$, where b_0 is the expected latency of the potential.

A-B.2 The amplitude can be compared with that of the average potential.

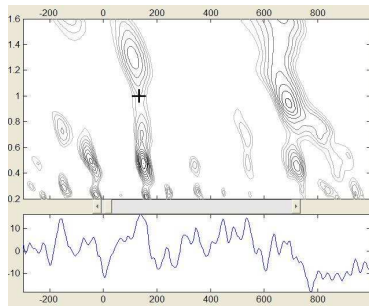
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} W_{\psi_f} S(a^*, b^*) \geq \tau_m.$$

Trial Rejection

Example of rejection.



Bad trial



Good trial

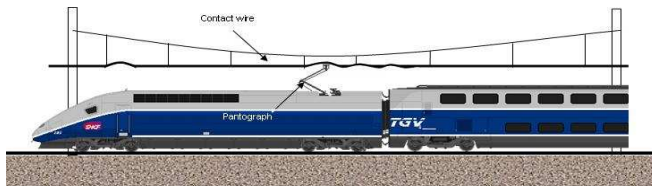
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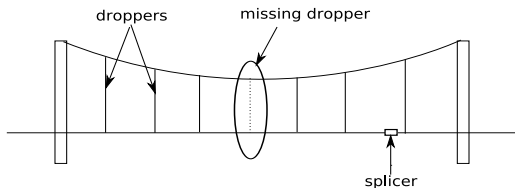


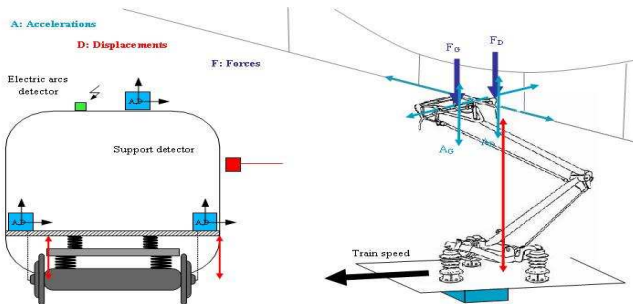
Figure: Schema of a catenary with two defects

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The problem

The data: contact force signal

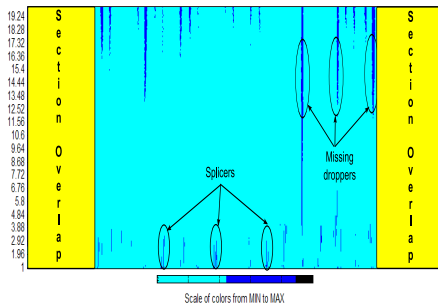
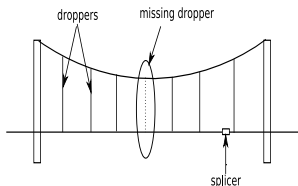


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- Simulated data

Two points of view

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Search large values of the wavelet coefficients on some frequency bands, different for each defect (Massat *et al.* (2006)).



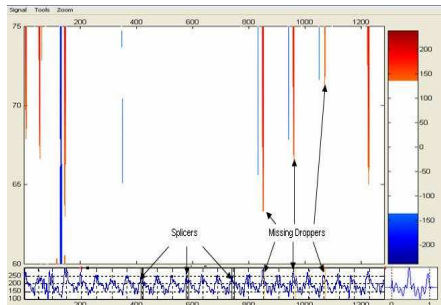
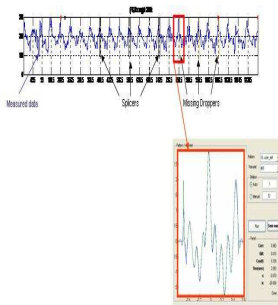
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Search into the signal some known patterns. Those patterns are chosen according to the signature of each defect.

Missing droppers

The choice of the pattern

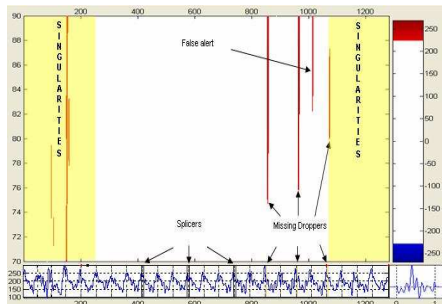
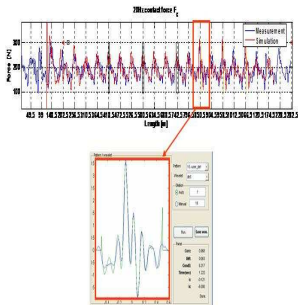
With a real signal



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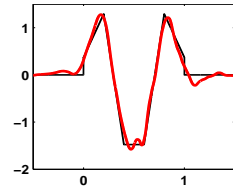
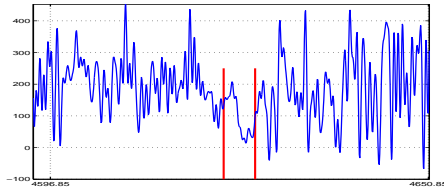
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With a simulated signal



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The adapted wavelet



We used $\rho = 8$ and *Db5* as initial MRA.

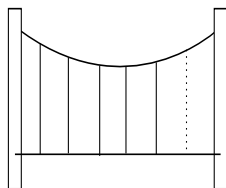
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Selection rules.

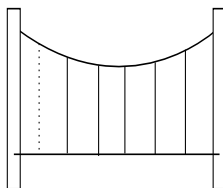
- (P-B.1) Thresholds on the estimates of the similarity.
- (A-B.1) Select only the alerts at some scales (duration of the signature).
- (A-B.2) Thresholds on the wavelet coefficients.
- (A-B.3) Time of occurrence (to ignore those sections with known singularities).

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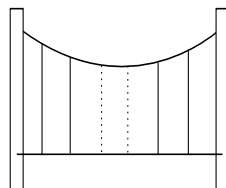
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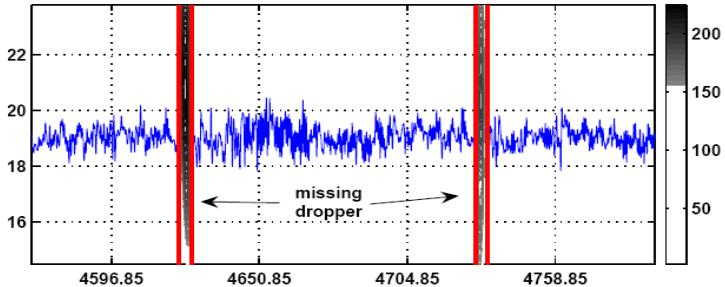
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two droppers

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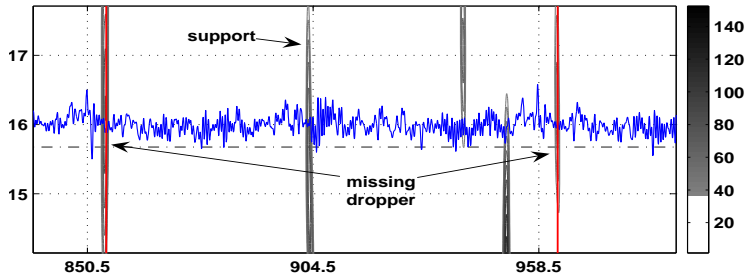
Results



Two missing droppers

Missing droppers

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Missing dropper after the support.

Conclusions

- A method to construct pattern-adapted wavelets.

Analysis of the extensions of the construction method.

- A Three steps procedure to solve pattern detection problems.
 - the pattern.
 - selection rules
- Three applications.

Two papers are in preparation.

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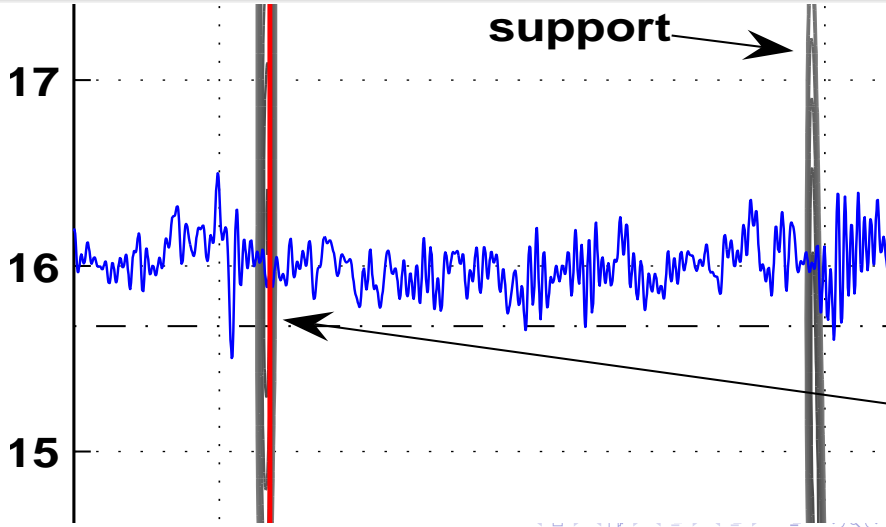


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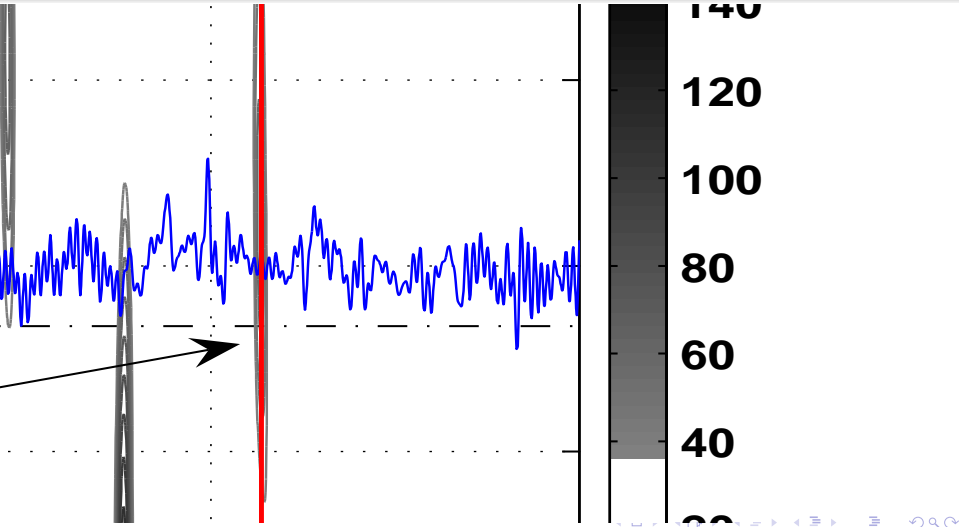
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