

# Towards Constructing Generalized Foundation Models For Time Series Classification

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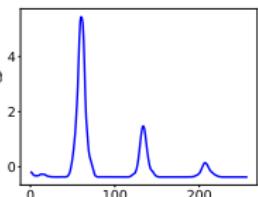
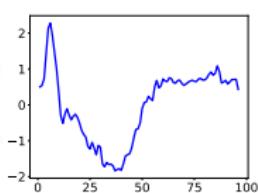
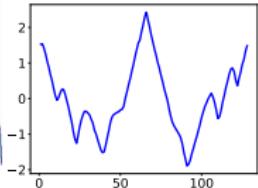
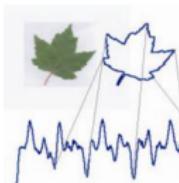
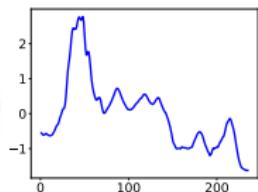
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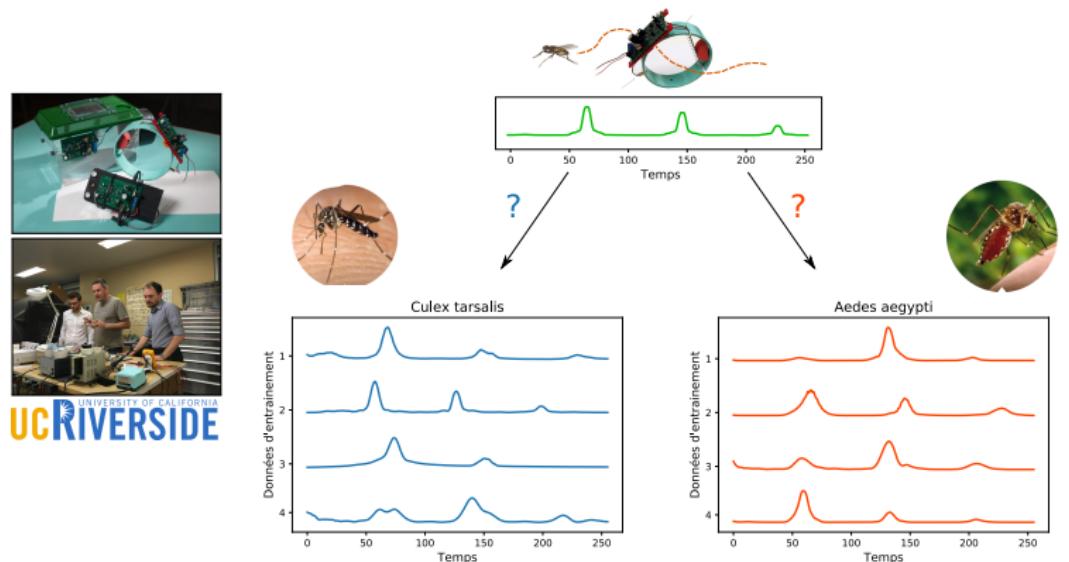
- ▶ Type of data present in numerous applicative domains
- ▶ Allow to study the evolution in time of a process, a behavior, etc.



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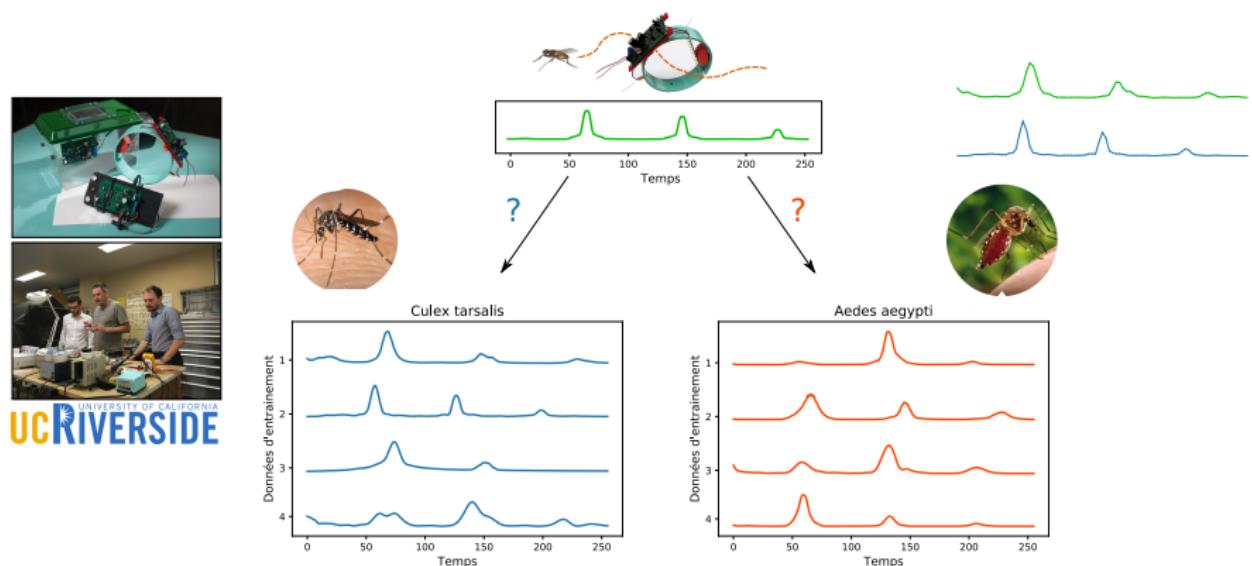
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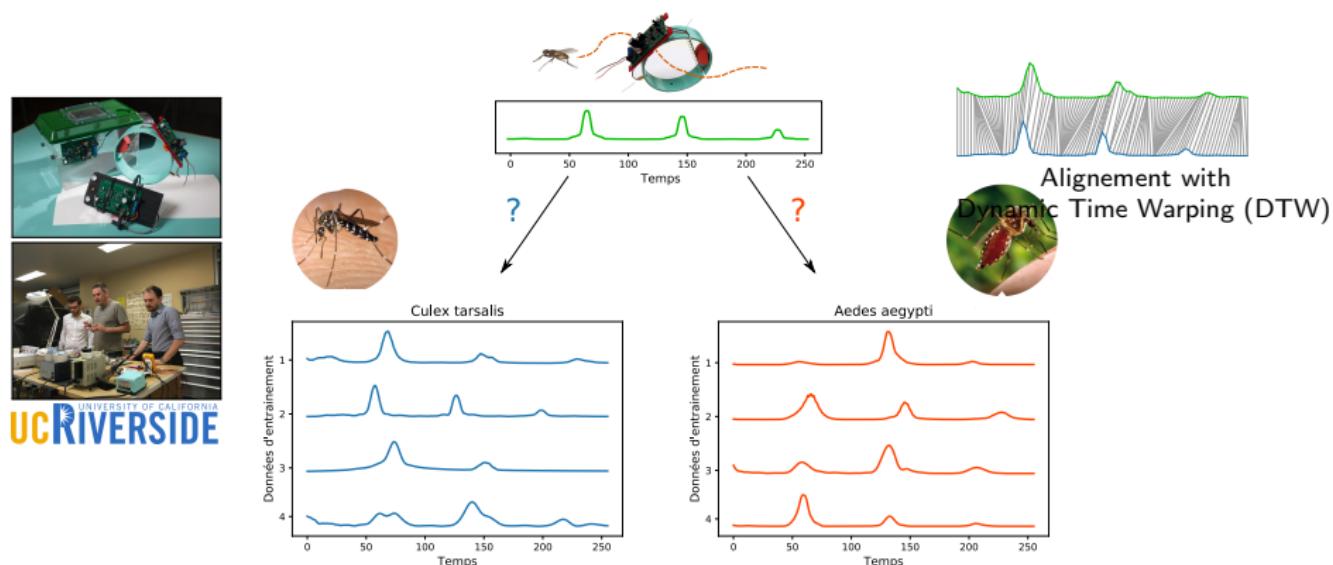
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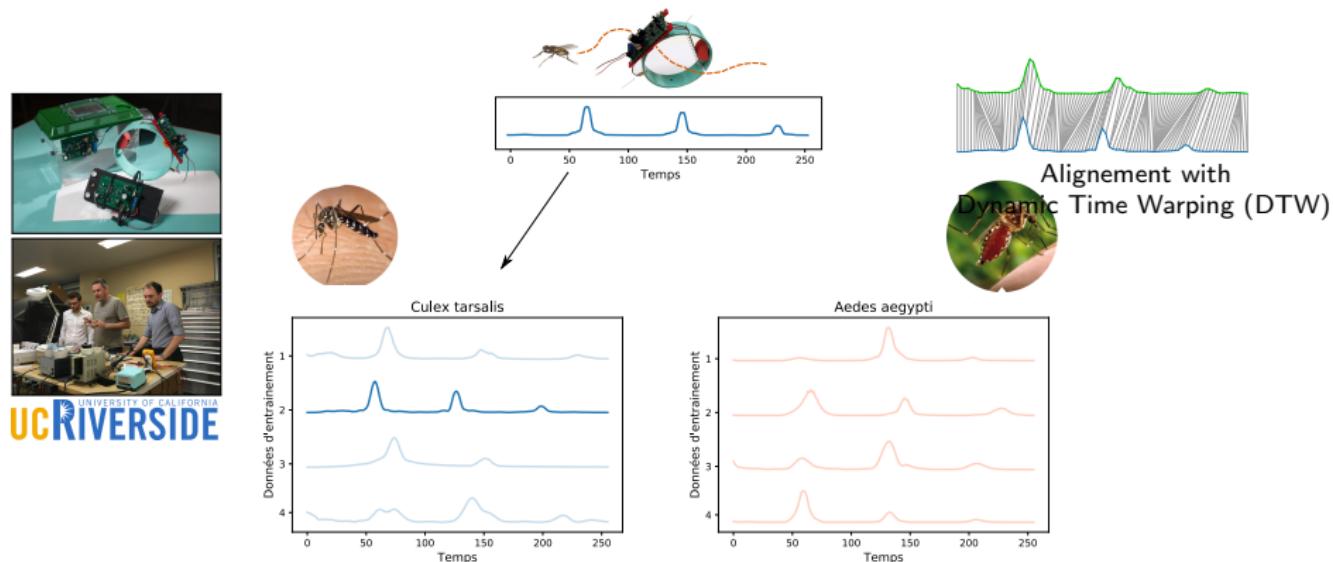
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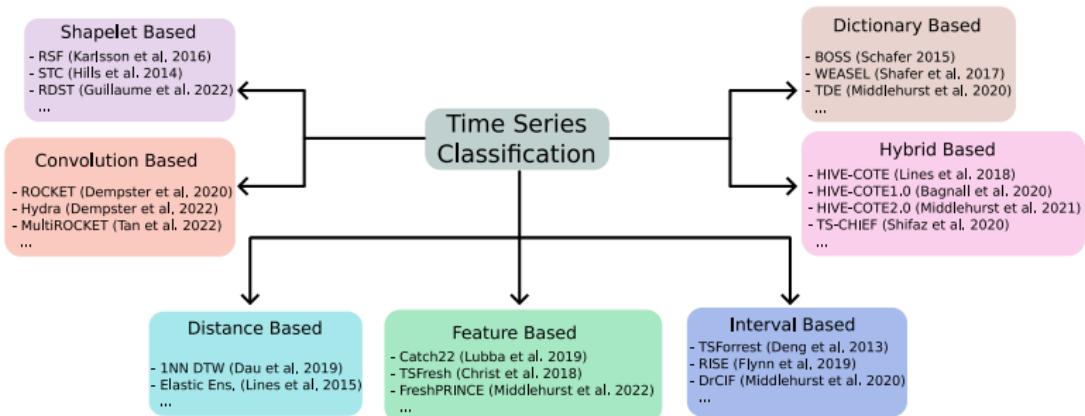
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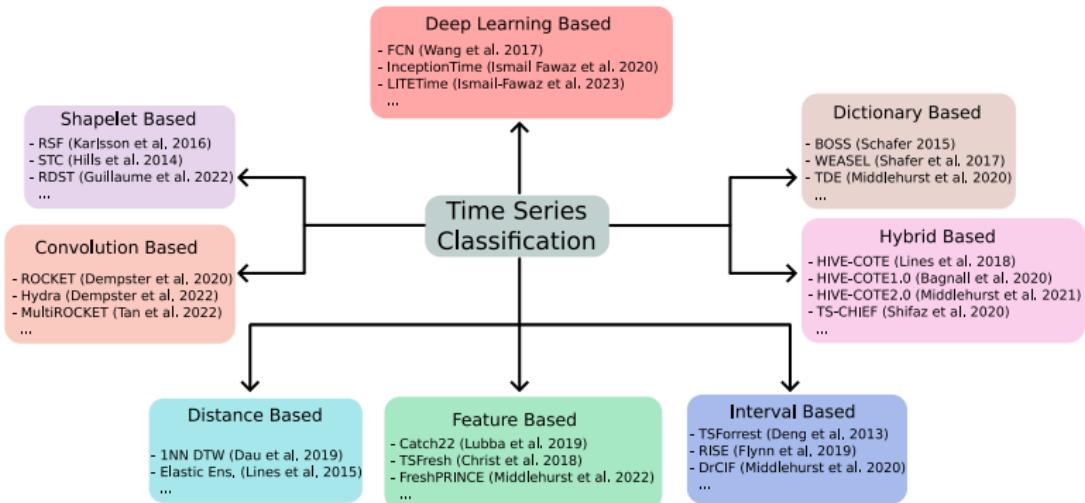
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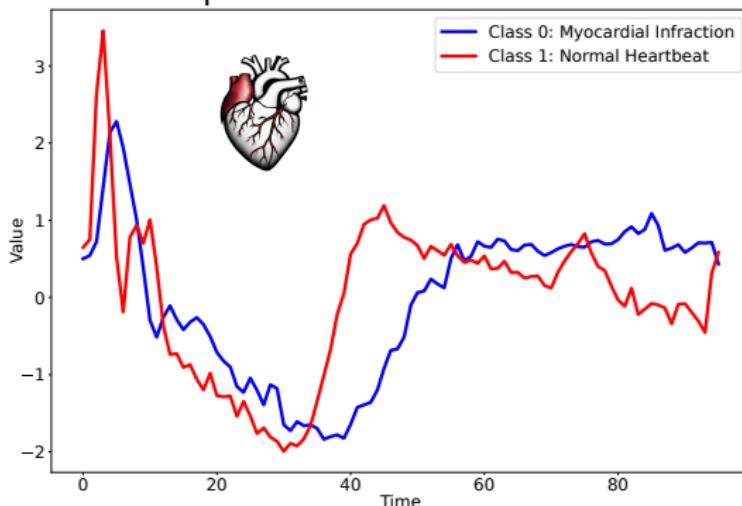
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# Time Series Classification Datasets

## The UCR archive, the largest archive for TSC datasets.

- ▶ The archive is made of 128 datasets of different tasks: ECG signals, Motion data, Sensors, etc. Already split into train and test.

Example on the ECG200 dataset:



- Dau, Hoang Anh, et al. "The UCR time series archive." *IEEE/CAA Journal of Automatica Sinica* 6.6 (2019): 1293-1305.

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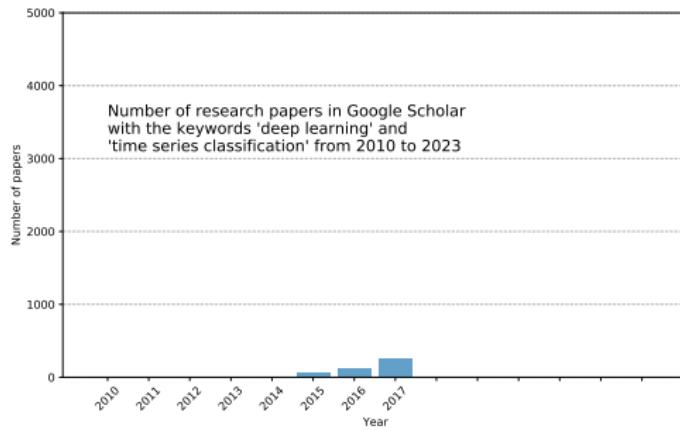
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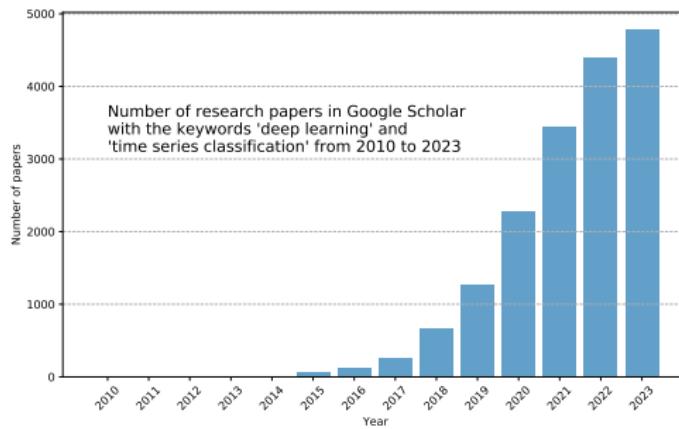
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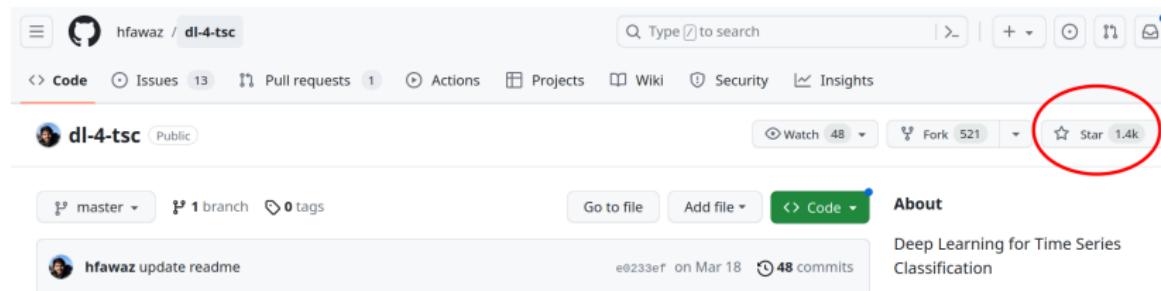
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# DL4TSC - 2019

In **2019**, our team presented a study of Deep Learning for Time Series Classification (cited more than 2.5K times (GS)).

- ▶ We selected papers with enough details (or code) to reproduce the model's architecture
- ▶ We benchmarked all the models on the UCR archive
- ▶ We published the code on Github for reproducibility and got very positive feedback

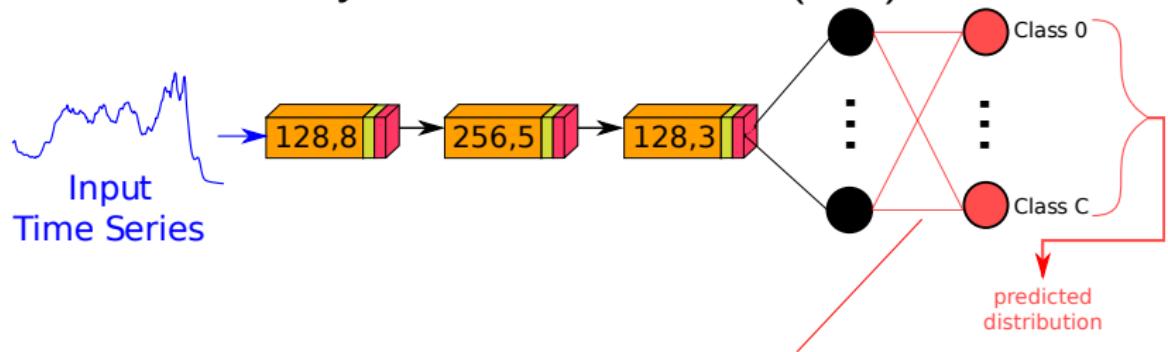


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# DL4TSC - Some Architectures

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 : batch normalization.  
 : activation  
— : fully Connected.  
— : 1D global average pooling

## Fully Convolutional Networks (FCN)

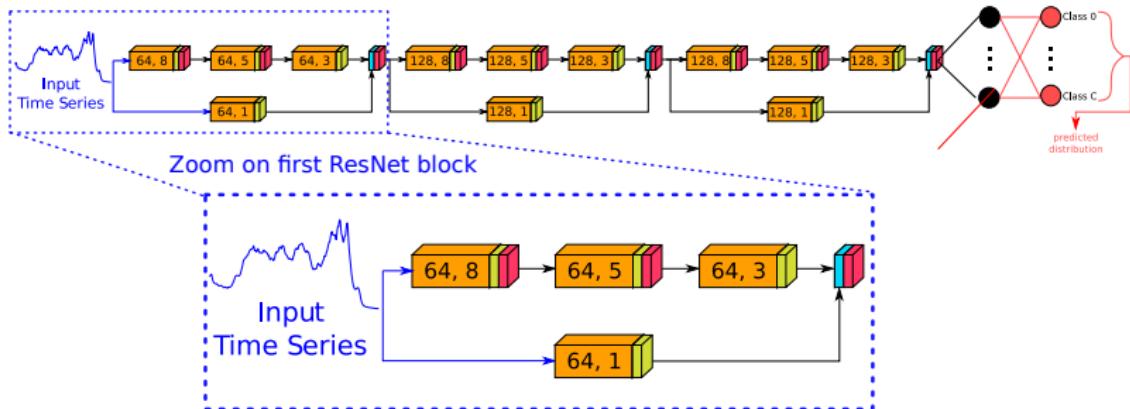


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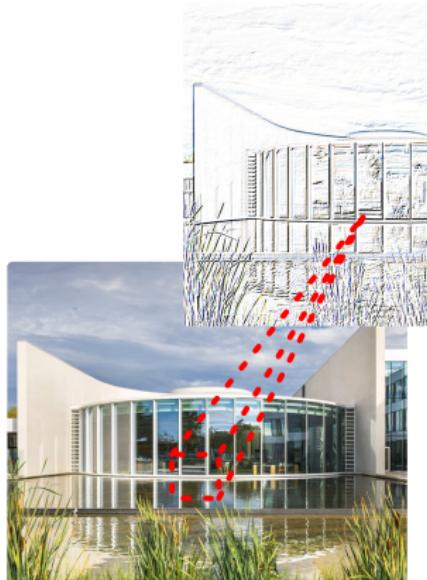


Inside each ResNet block:

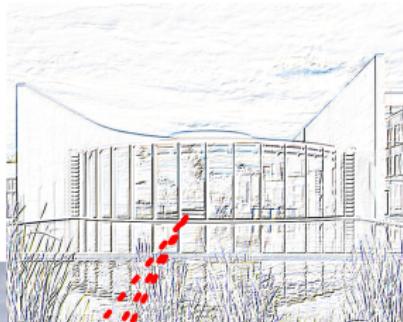


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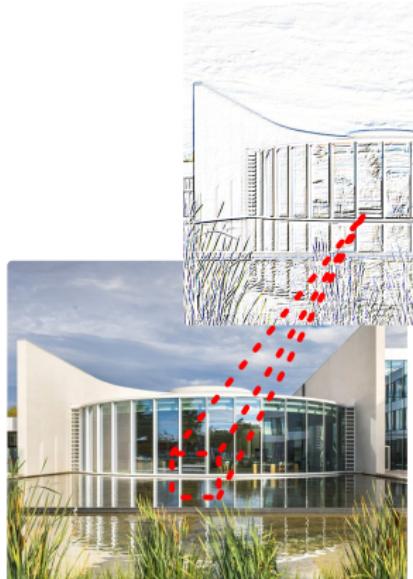


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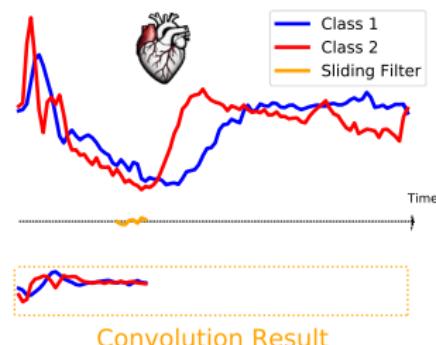
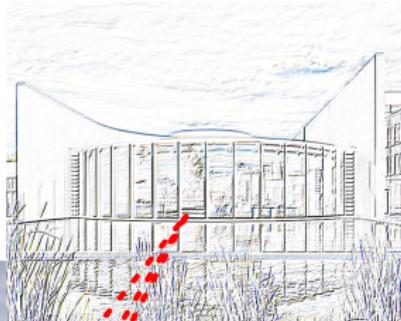


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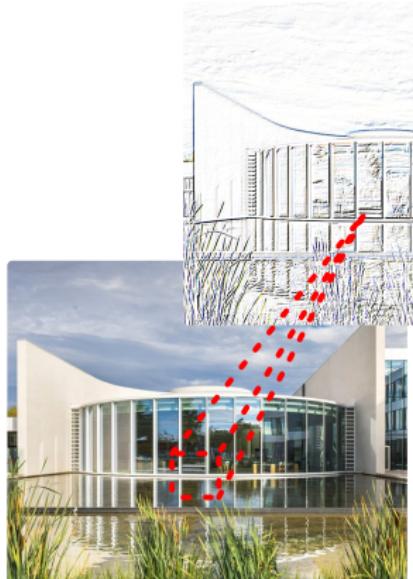


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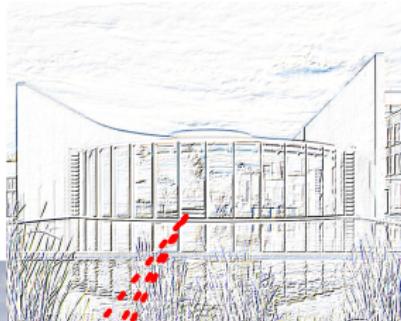


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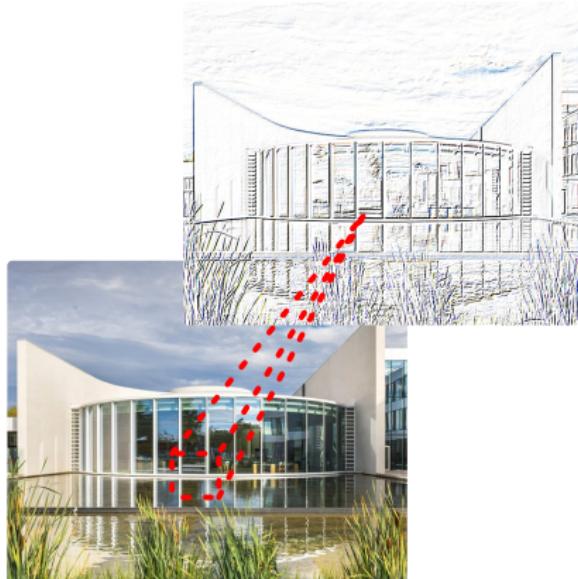


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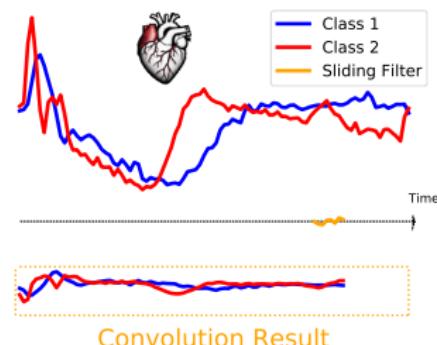


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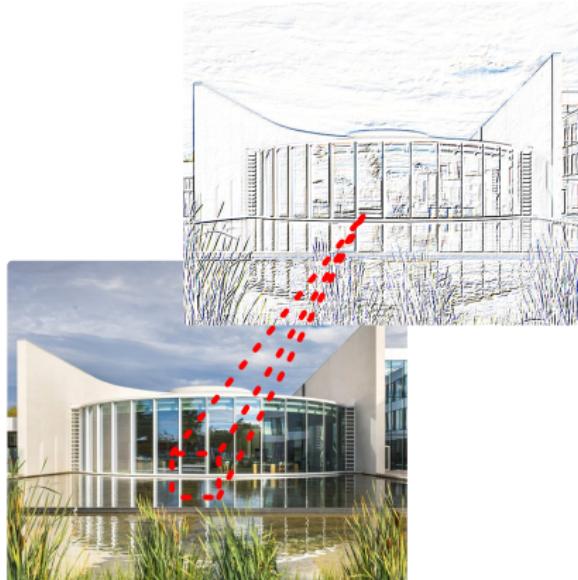


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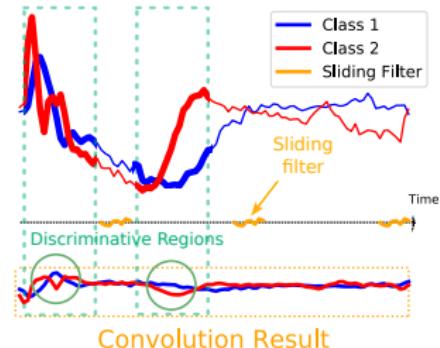


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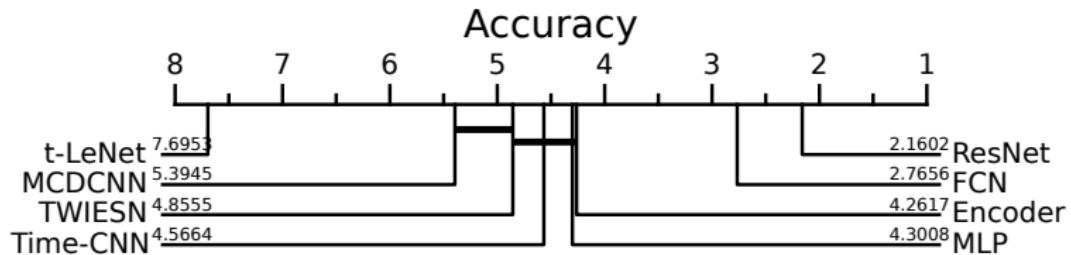


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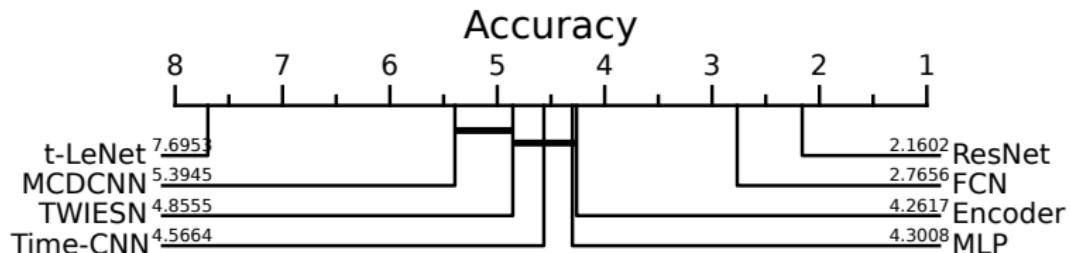
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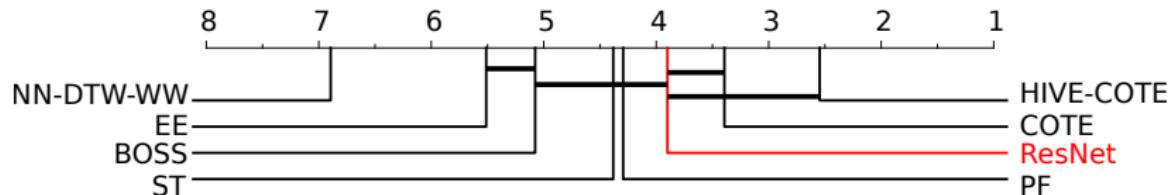
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- ▶ A Critical Difference Diagram is a visualization technique that displays the performance of multiple classifiers on multiple datasets
  - ▶ The classifiers in a CDD are ordered following their average rank
  - ▶ Ranking is made following the accuracy on all test sets of the 128 UCR archive datasets
  - ▶ Each clique (black line between classifiers) represent a statistically non-significant difference in performance between linked classifiers on the 128 datasets of the UCR archive (using Wilcoxon Signed-Rank test + Holm correction)
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# DL4TSC - Experiments: Results Compared to 2017 Bake Off



- ▶ The best performing deep learning model from our review, ResNet, performs as good as state-of-the-art non-deep models for Time Series Classification on the UCR archive.
  - ▶ No significance is found in difference in performance between ResNet and Hive-COTE.
  - ▶ Showcasing the high performance of deep models for TSC
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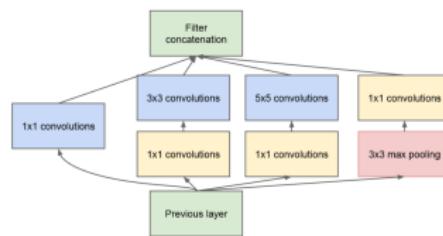


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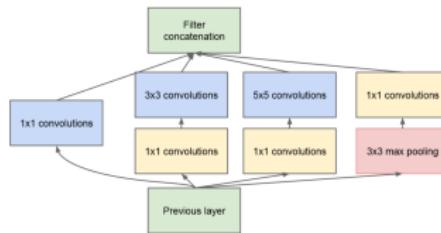


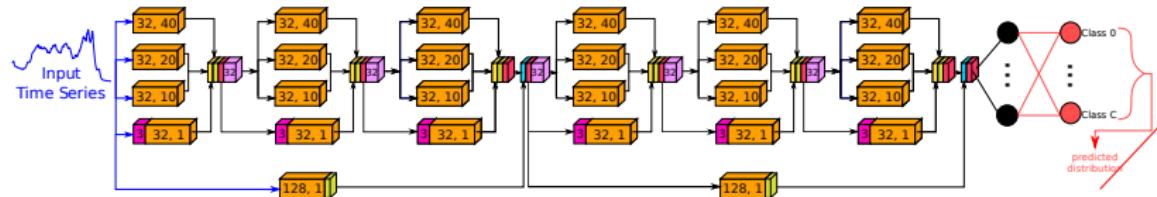
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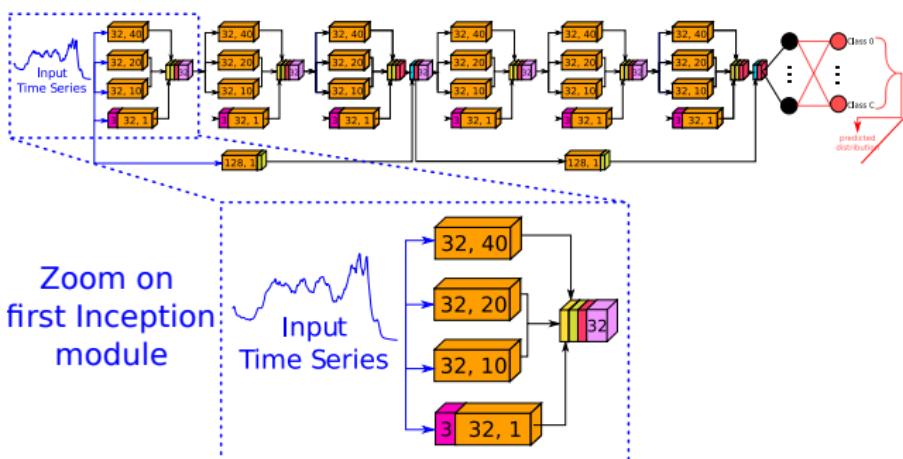


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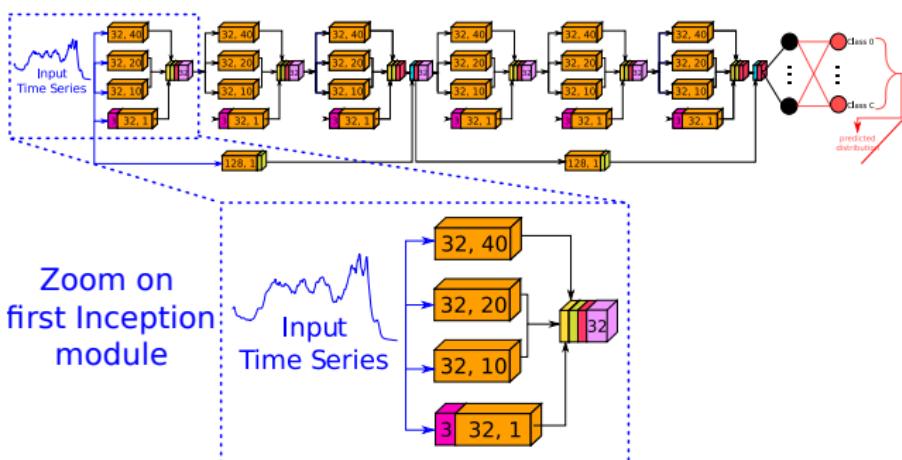


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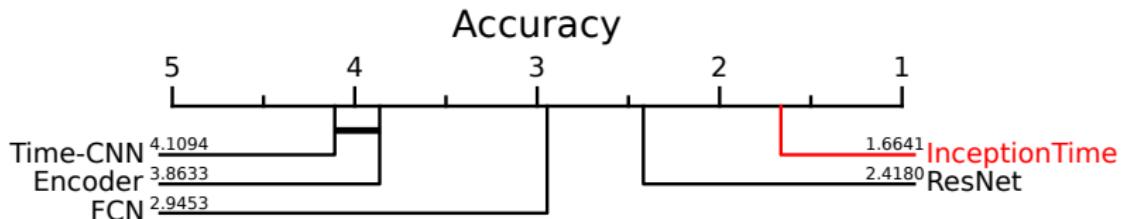
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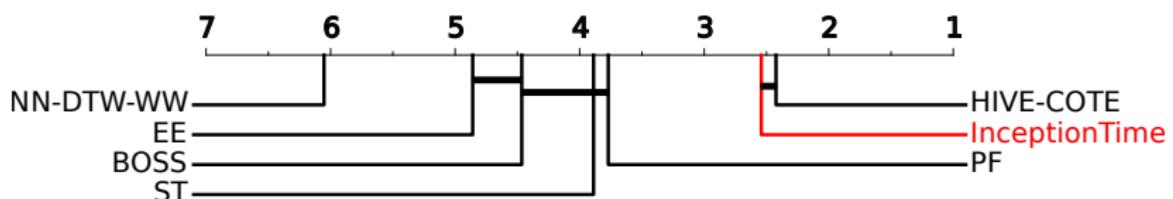
InceptionTime is an ensemble of five Inception models.

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# InceptionTime: Performance with Best Deep Learners



In 2020, InceptionTime became the state-of-the-art Deep Learning model for Time Series Classification on the UCR archive.



Compared to non-deep models, InceptionTime performed significantly better than most approaches with no significance found in difference with HIVE-COTE.

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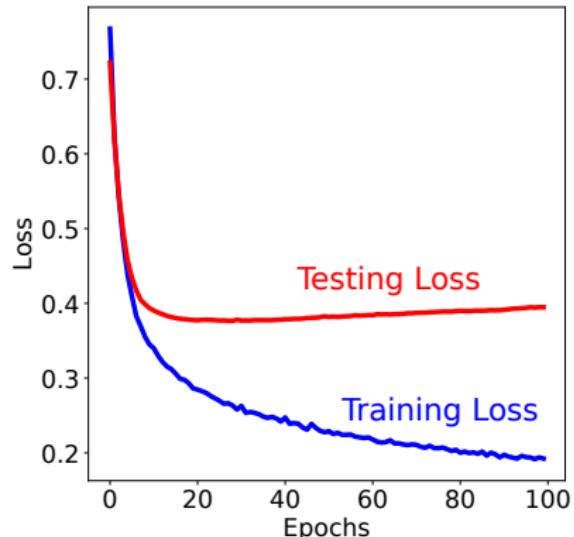
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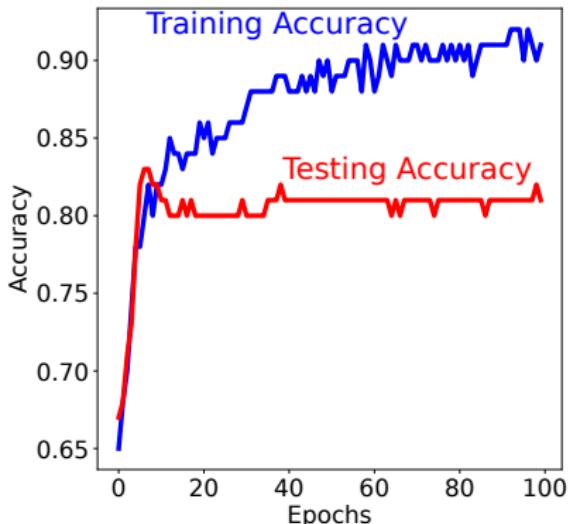
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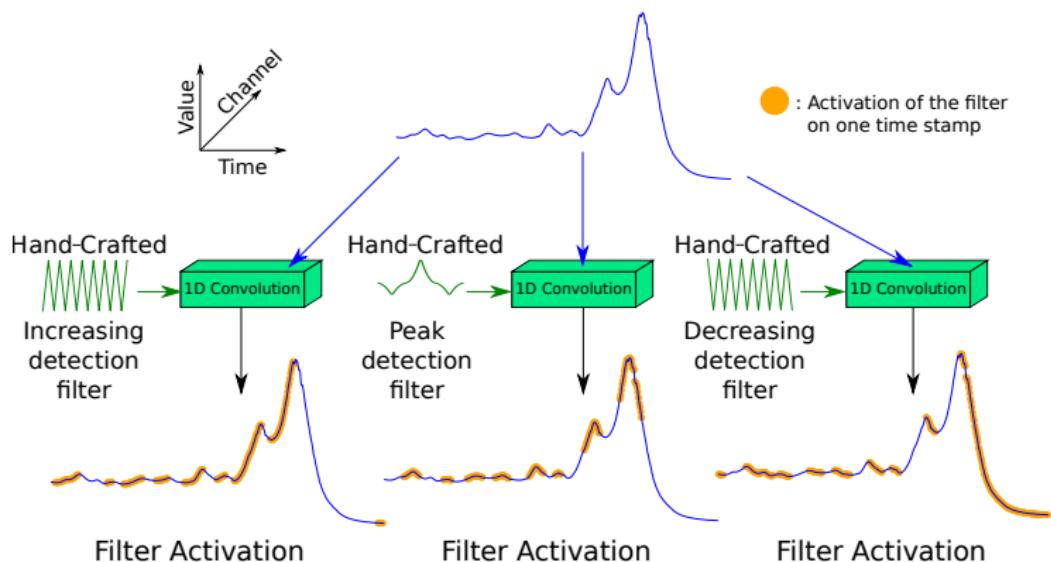
Classification Loss during training



Classification Accuracy during training

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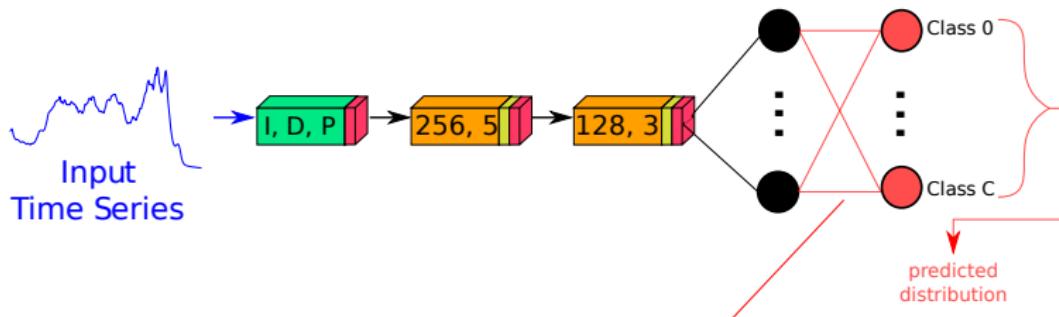


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# Hand-Crafted Convolutional Filters - Architectures

 : 1D convolution layer with  $n$  filters of size  $k$ .  : batch normalization.  : activation  
 : 1D non trainable convolutional filters (I: Increasing, D: Decreasing, P: Peak)  : 1D global average pooling  : fully connected

## Custom Only FCN (CO-FCN)

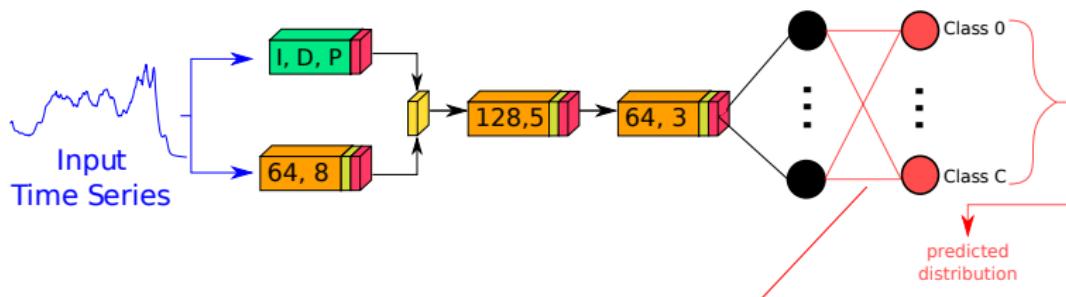


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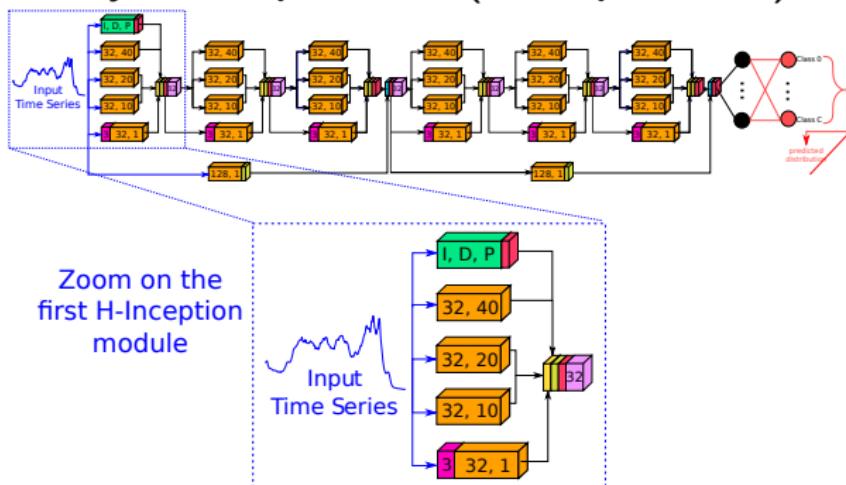


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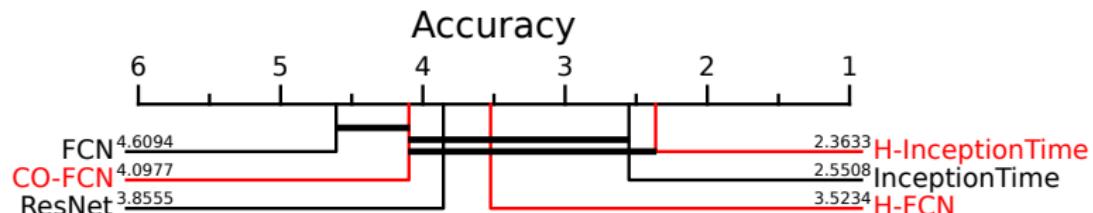


## Hybrid Inception Time (H-Inception Time)



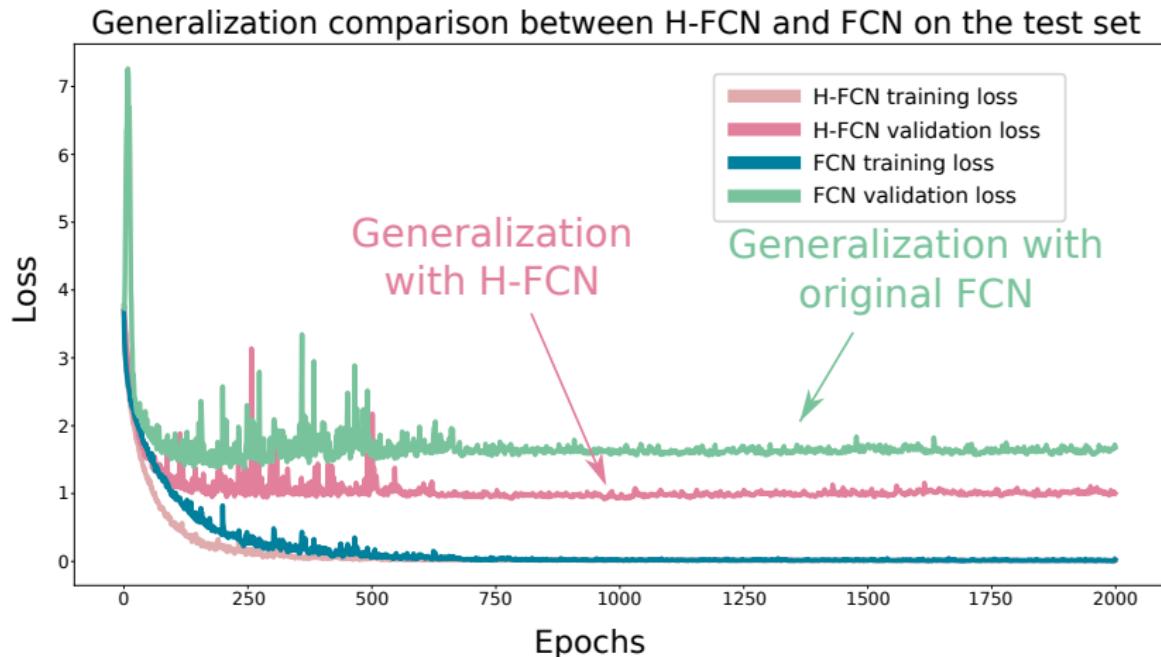
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# Hand-Crafted Convolutional Filters: Performance



- ▶ Both CO-FCN and H-FCN can beat FCN
  - ▶ H-FCN is better than ResNet which means hand-crafted filters helped FCN generalize better than residual connections can
  - ▶ H-InceptionTime beats InceptionTime, concluding that hand-crafted filters always help generalize
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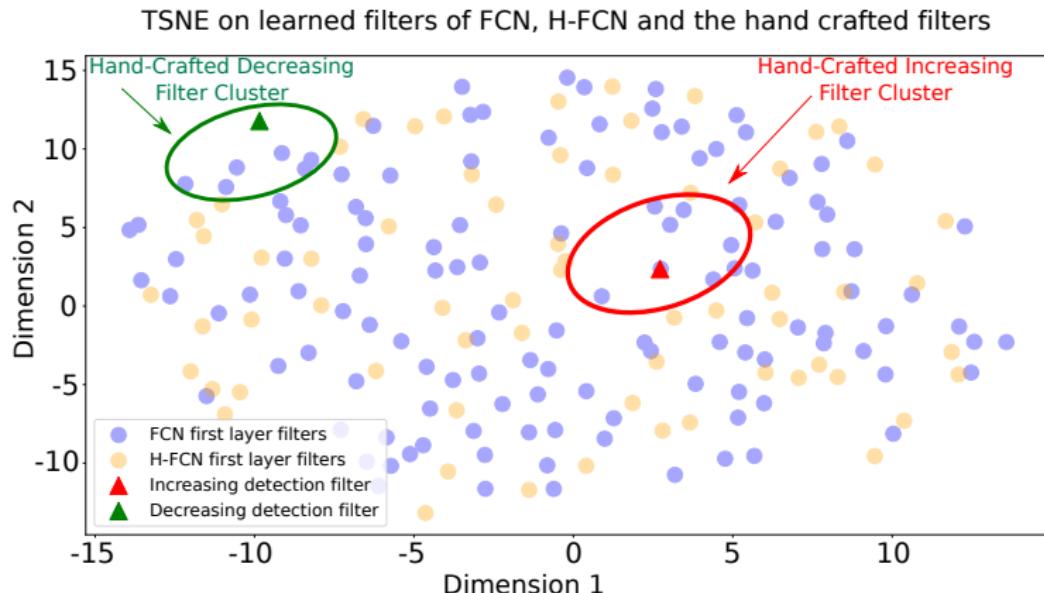
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# Hand-Crafted Convolutional Filters: Kernel Space

Do the models learn the same filters again ?



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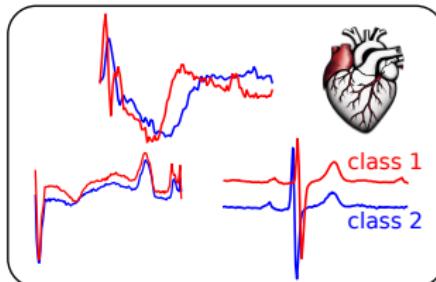
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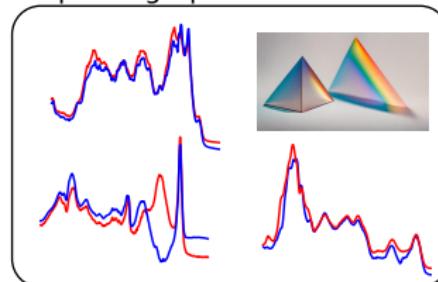
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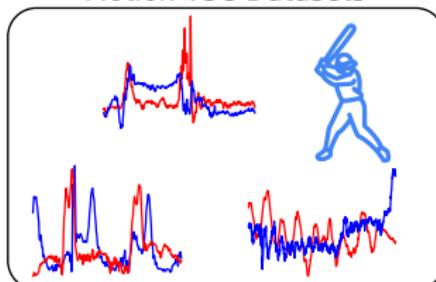
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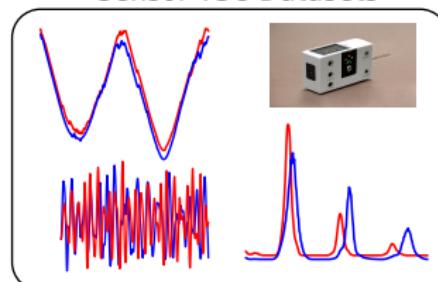
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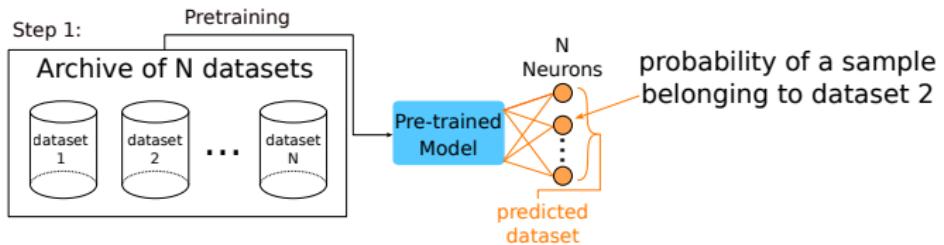
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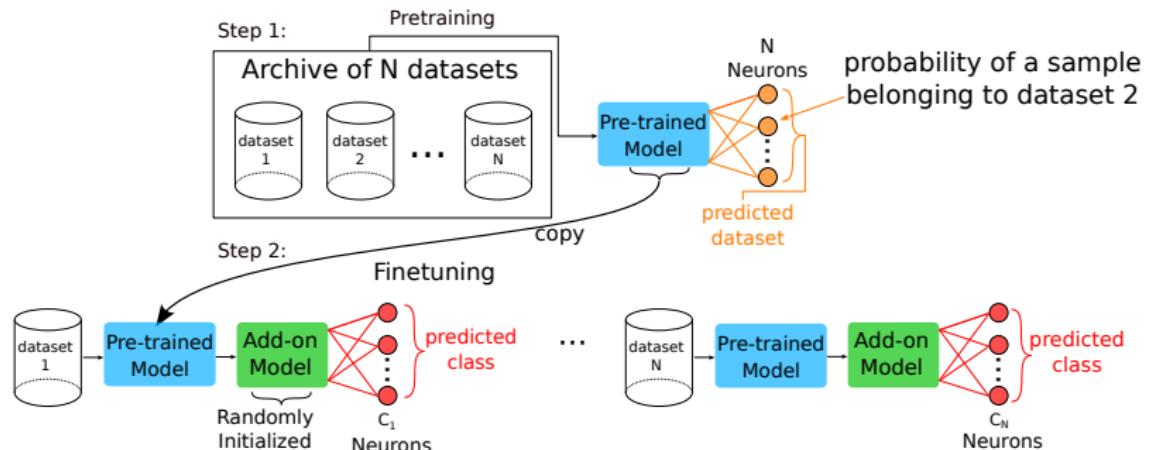
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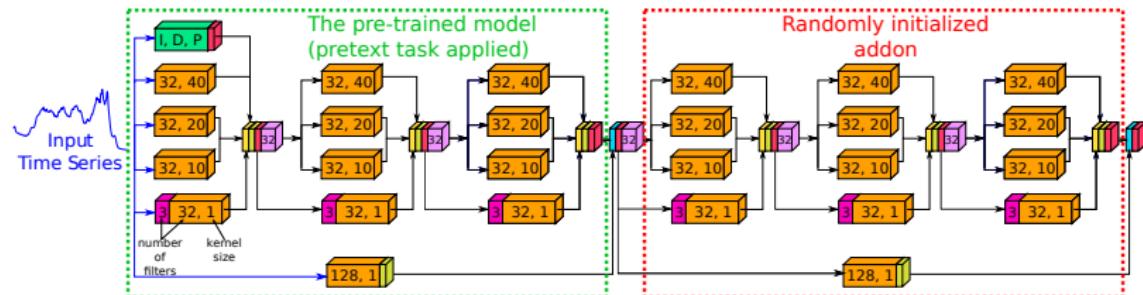
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We utilize the state-of-the-art deep model for TSC: H-Inception

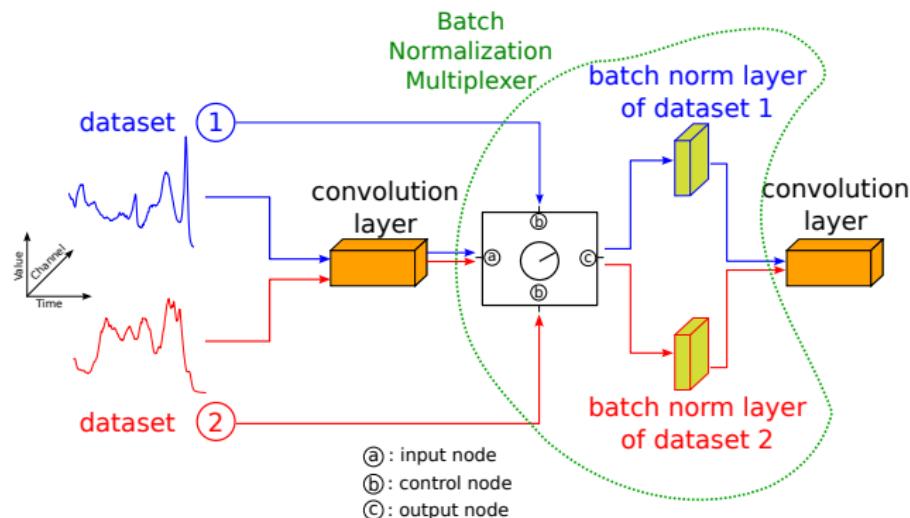


By ensembling different trained models, we propose the Pre-trained Hybrid InceptionTime (PHIT)

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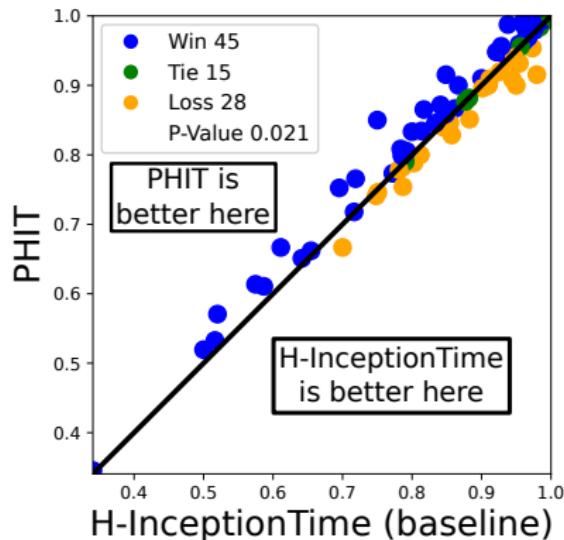
Every convolution layer is followed by a Batch Normalization that is fully dependent on the dataset distribution, given we train on multiple datasets we propose the Batch Normalization Multiplexer:



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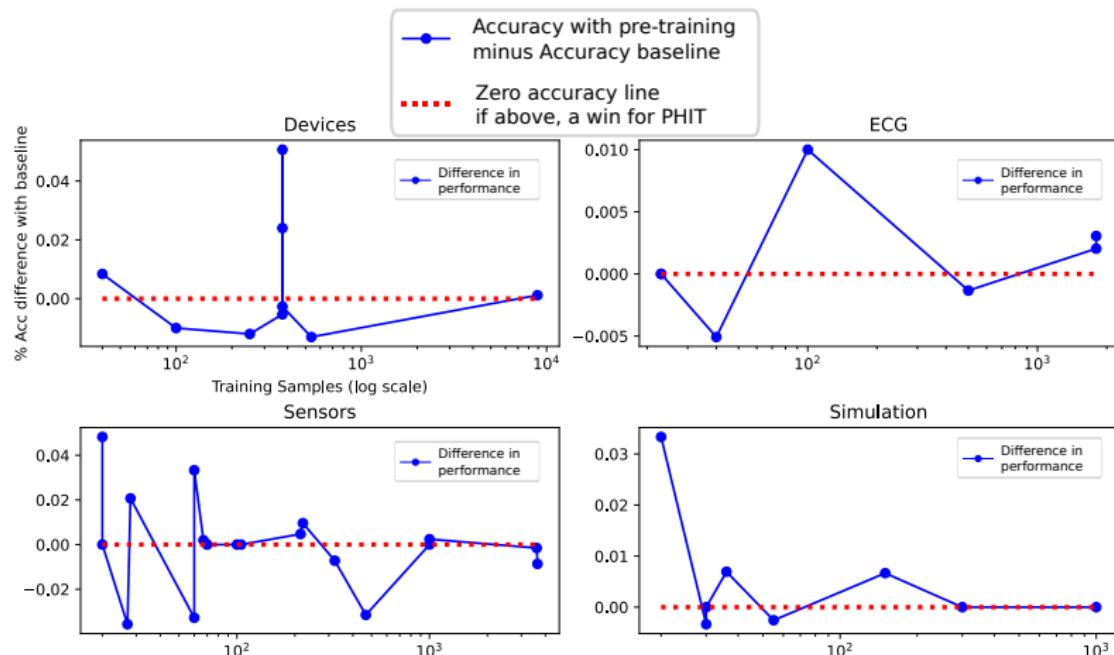
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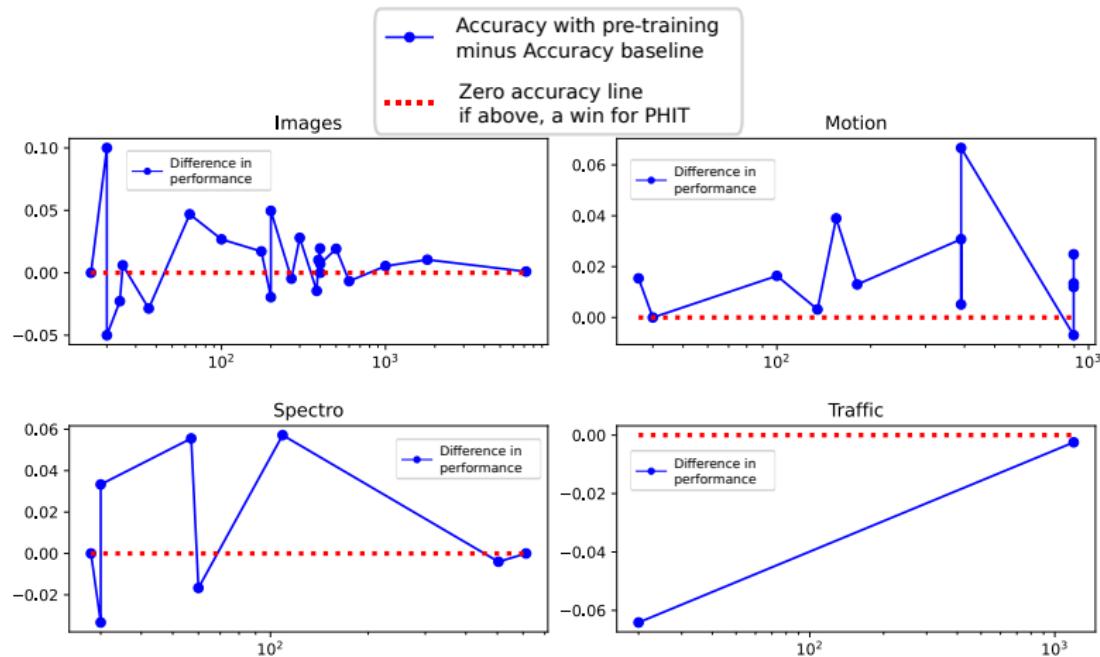
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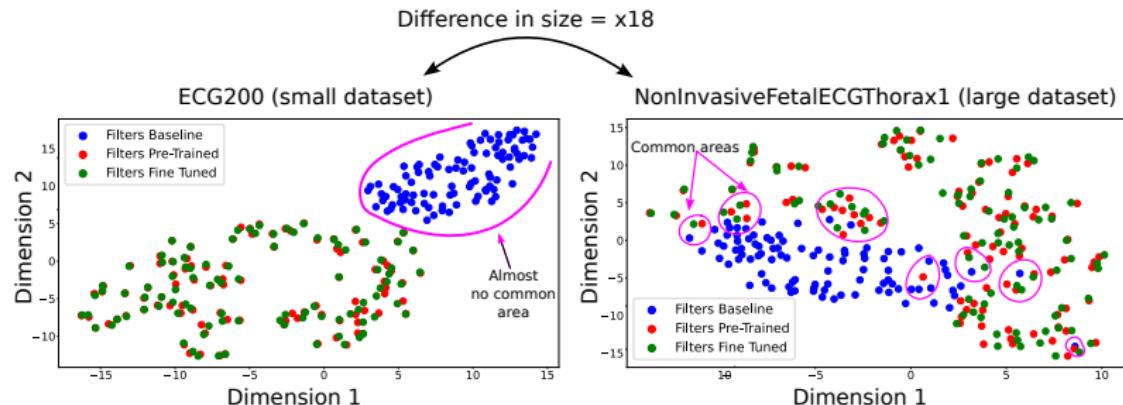
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**Visualization of the filters 2D space using t-SNE coupled with Dynamic Time Warping similarity measure: showcase that large dataset help small datasets**



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# Other Ways to Construct PHIT

We do not claim that the method used in this work is the best.

Other ways to construct PHIT:

- ▶ Train on the whole UCR at the same time regardless of the domain
  - ▶ Domain Transfer i.e. train on one domain and fine tune on another
  - ▶ Transfer learning within each domain
  - ▶ Concatenate all possible classes and simply classify directly
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- ▶ Self Representation Learning
- ▶ Foundation Models for Time Series Data
- ▶ Transformers for Time Series Classification
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# Reproducibility

- ▶ All our codes are publically available on our MSD-IRIMAS github page starting 2022.
- ▶ All DL4TSC models are now implemented in aeon<sup>1</sup>, a python package dedicated to time series machine learning. Non-deep learning papers are also implemented now in aeon.



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<sup>1</sup><https://github.com/aeon-toolkit/aeon>

# Takeway



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- ▶ Deep Learning for Time Series Analysis: hot topic open for innovation
- ▶ Finding Foundation Models for TSC is still a challenging task: the goal should be to address generalization
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