



Pattern Detection in Time Series

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Introduction



PAUL WURTH

SMS group

- Luxembourgish company founded in 1970
- Global leader in steel industry
- Smart and environmental solutions

AIXPERT

- Software developed by Datathings
- ML models without specialized knowledge
- Regression, classification and pattern detection

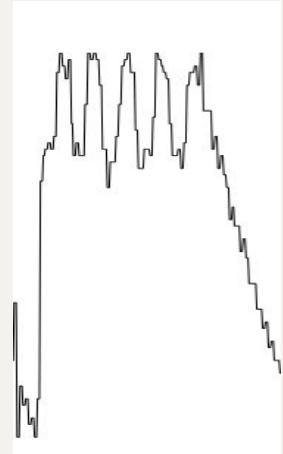
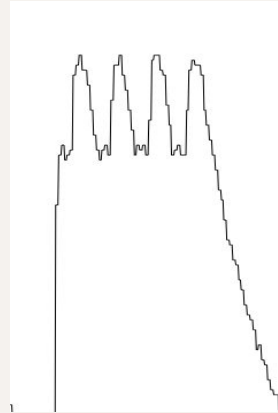
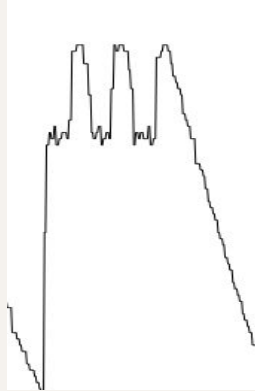
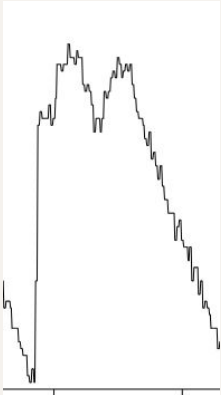


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Data and Objectif

Data Presentation

- 4 time series, each corresponding to a role in a section mill
- The values correspond to the rotation speed of a role at each timestep
- Composed of different types of patterns: from 2 to 5 picks



Objectif: Maximise pattern detections without making wrong detections



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Problematic

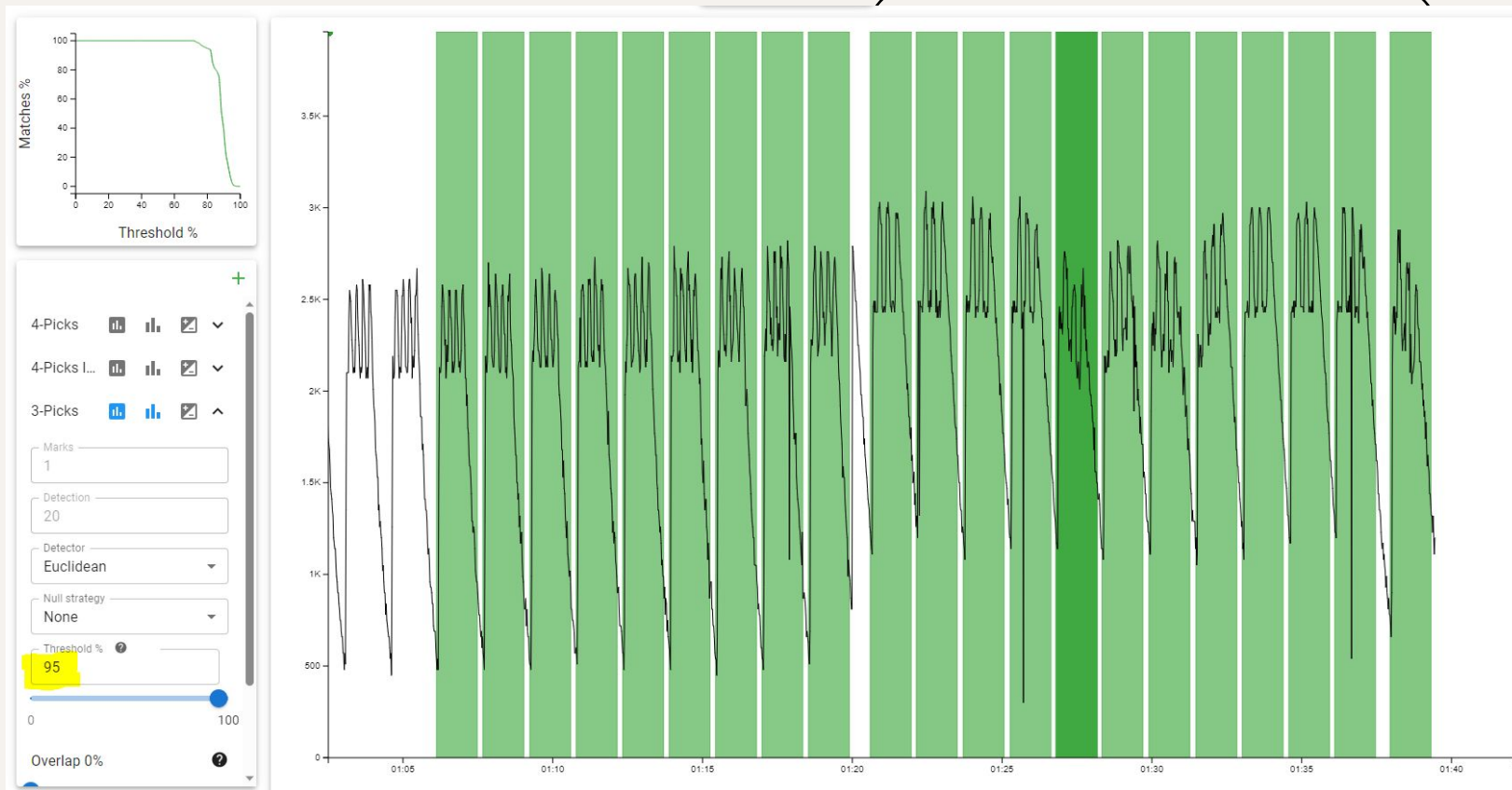
when using AIXPert

Limitations of AIXPert

- Limited number of distance measures:
 - Euclidean Distance
 - Symbolic Aggregate Approximation (SAX)
- Threshold too low → Wrong detections
- Threshold too high → Missing detections
- Small changes can have a big impact

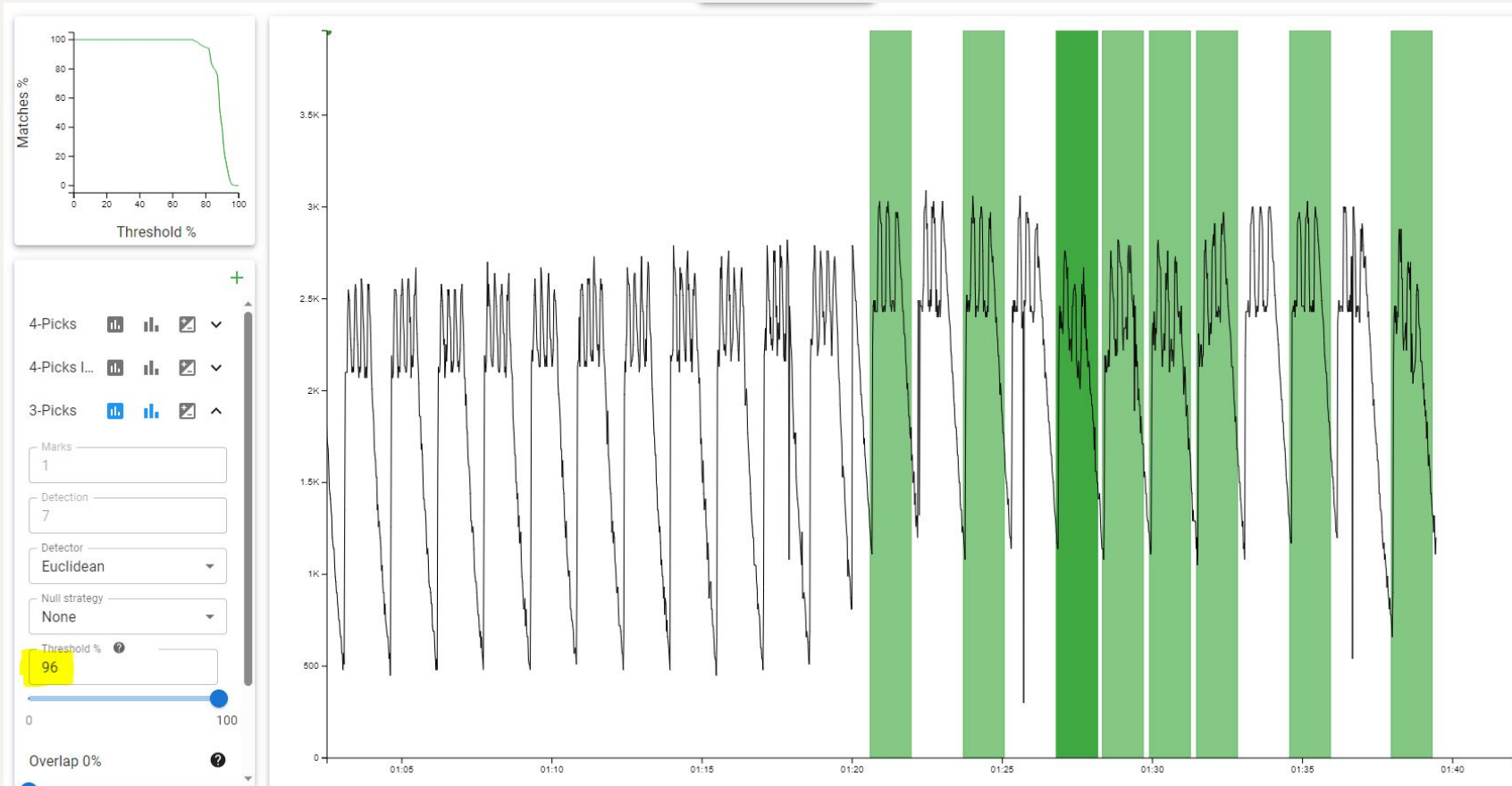
Threshold = 95%

3-Picks



4-Picks

Threshold = 96%





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New method

Dynamic Time Warping

- Algorithm for measuring similarity between two time series
- Main advantages:
 - Time series can be of different lengths
 - Robust in change of time range
- Main disadvantage:
 - Complexity of $O(n*m)$
 - Euclidean Distance: $O(n)$

DTW Algorithm

		0	1	1	2	2	3	5
0								
1								
2								
3								
5								
5								
5								
6								

		0	1	1	2	2	3	5
0	0	inf	inf	inf	inf	inf	inf	inf
1	inf							
2	inf							
3	inf							
5	inf							
5	inf							
5	inf							
6	inf							

$$M[i, j] = |A[i] - B[j]| + \min(M[i-1, j-1], M[i-1, j], M[i, j-1])$$

		0	1	1	2	2	3	5
0	0	inf	inf	inf	inf	inf	inf	inf
1	inf	0	0	1	2	4	8	
2	inf	1	1	0	0	1	4	
3	inf	3	3	1	1	0	2	
5	inf	7	7	4	4	2	0	
5	inf	11	11	7	7	4	0	
5	inf	15	15	10	10	6	0	
6	inf	20	20	14	14	9	1	

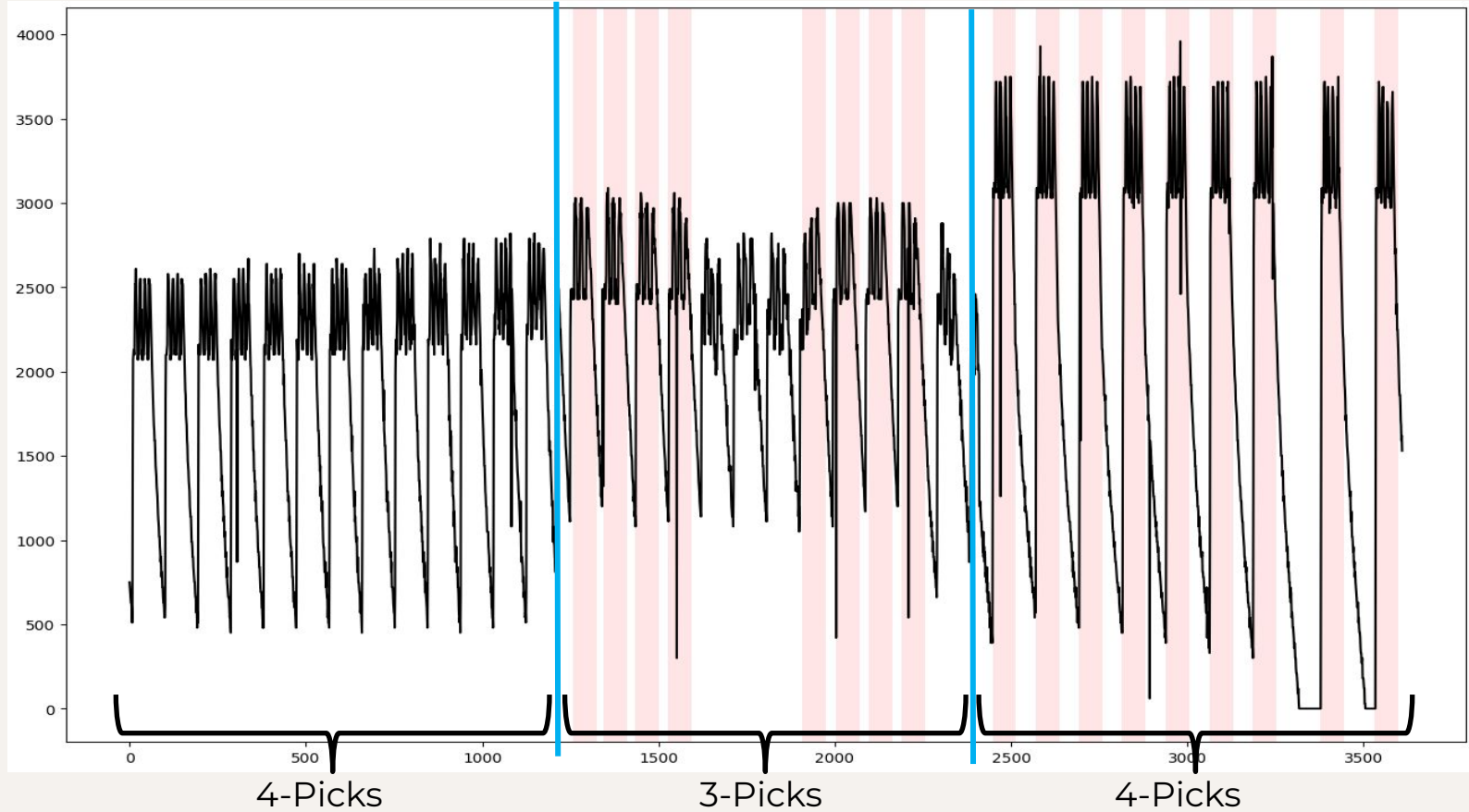


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Results

Single Pattern

Application of DTW



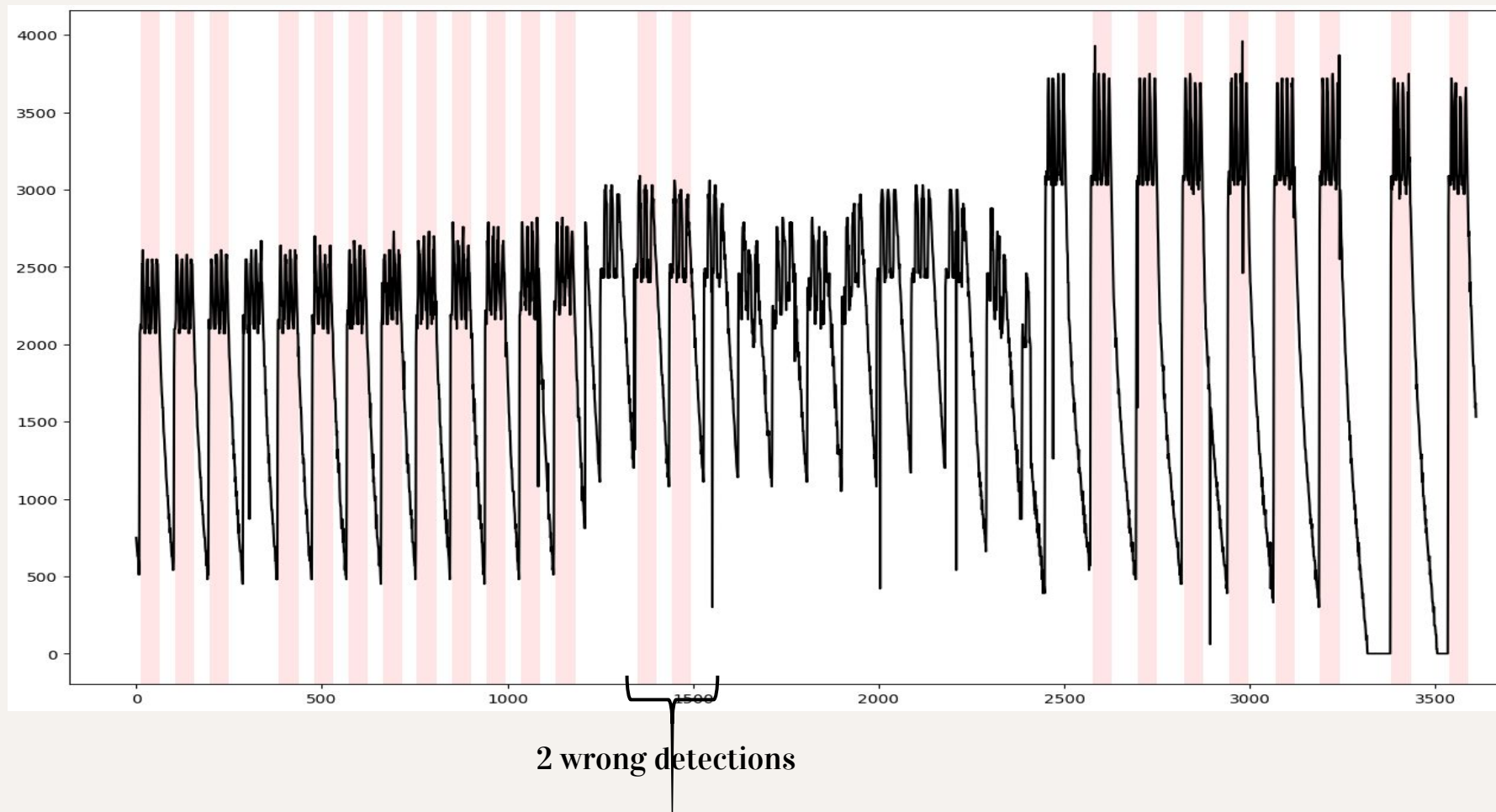
Problem: Amplitude of a signal has too much impact in making detections

Solution: comparing patterns locally

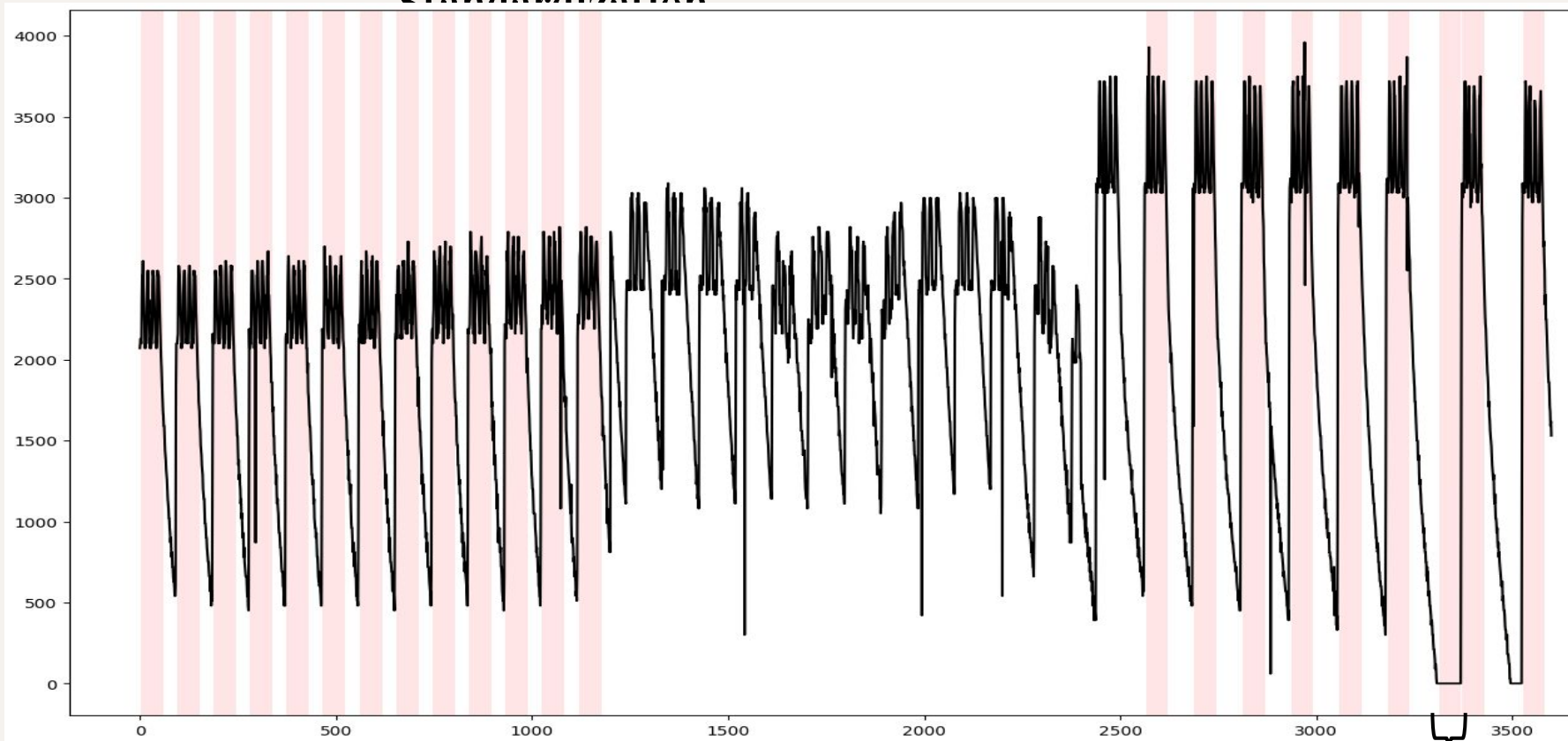
1. Adjusting by mean: $Z = X - \text{mean}(X)$
2. Normalization: $Z = X - \min(X) / \max(X) - \min(X)$
3. Standardization: $Z = X - \text{mean}(X) / \text{std}(X)$

→ Best results with standardization

DTW with Standardization

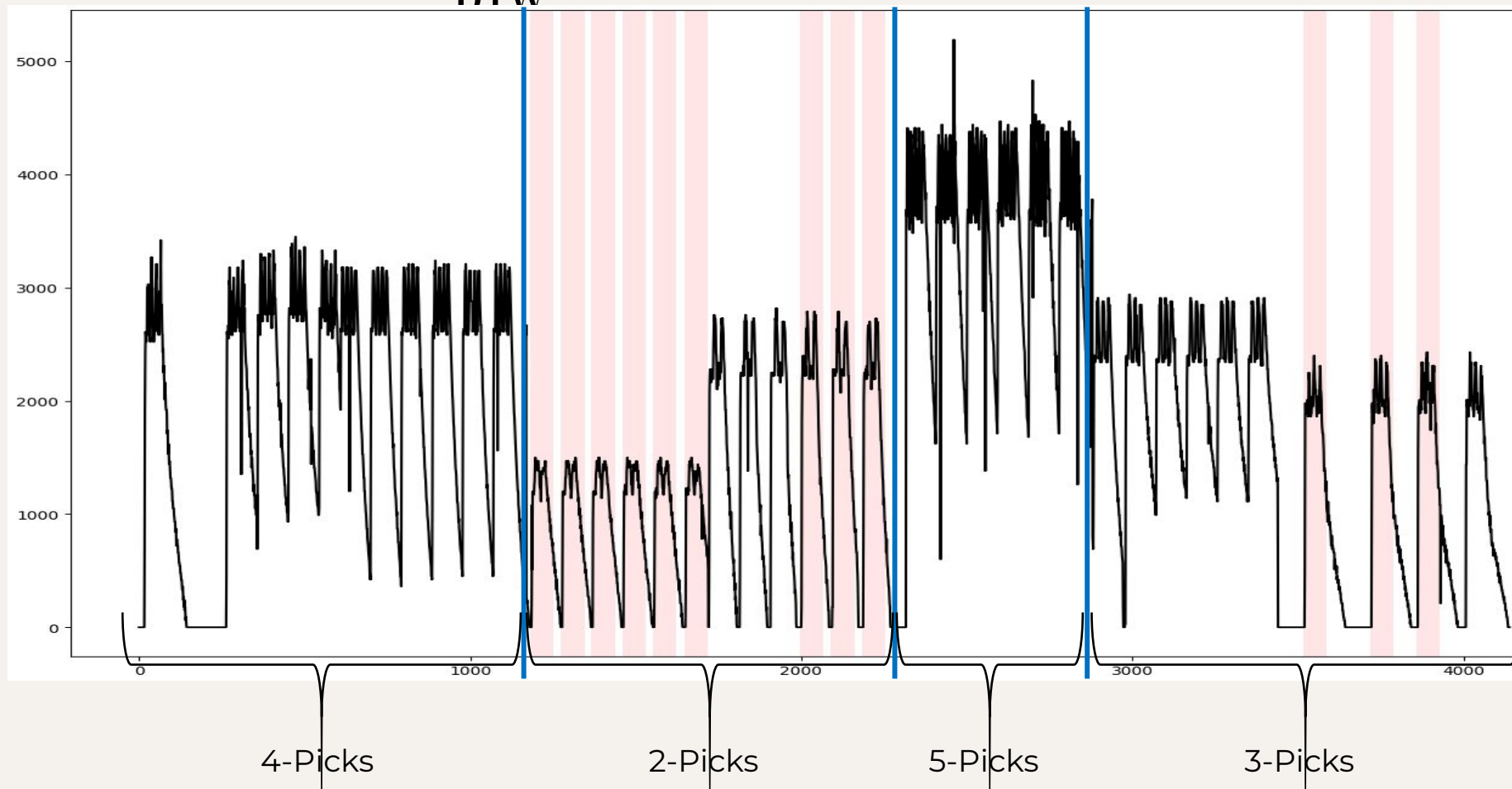


Euclidean Distance with Standardization

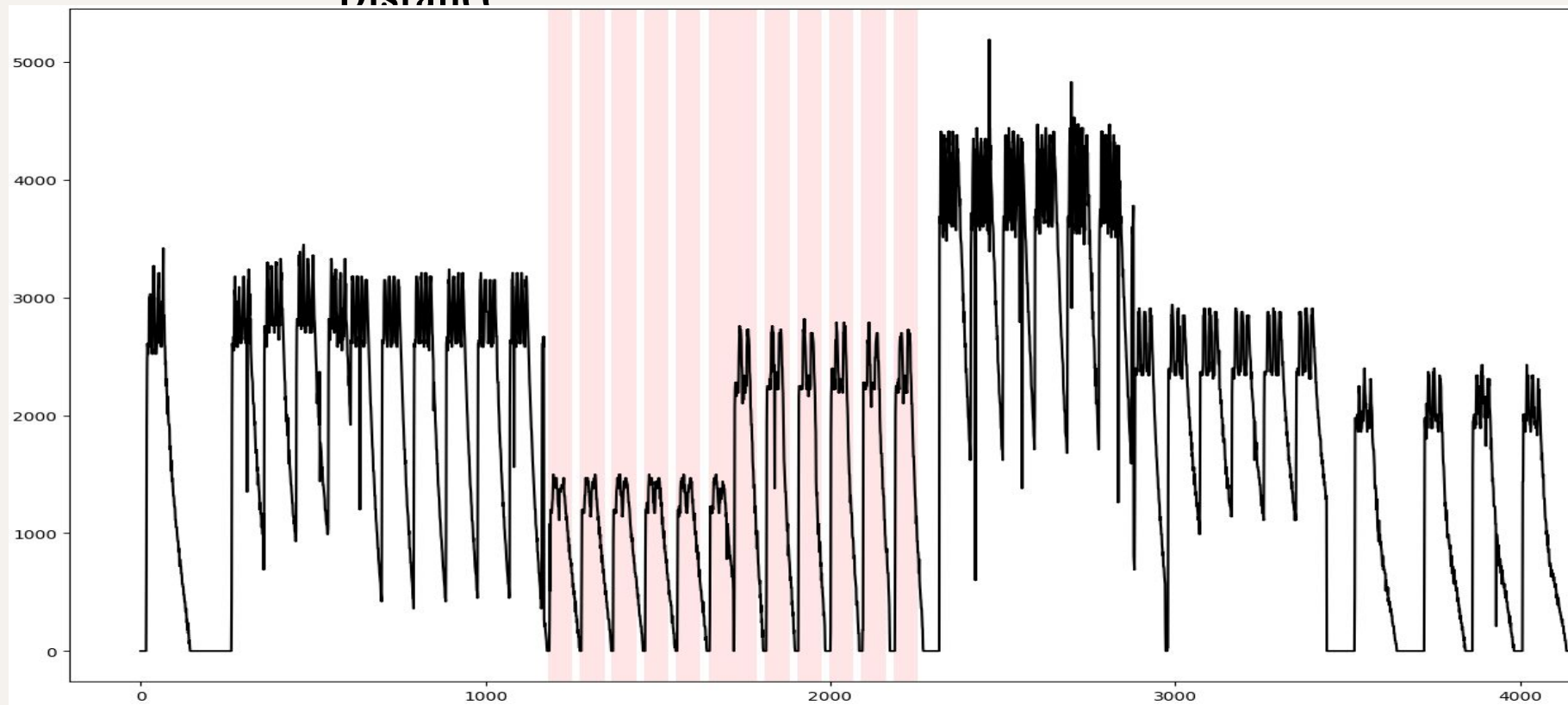


1 wrong detection

Detecting a 2-Picks Pattern - DTW



Detecting a 2-Picks Pattern - Euclidean Distance



DTW: 9/12 good detections

Euclidean Distance: 12/12 good detections

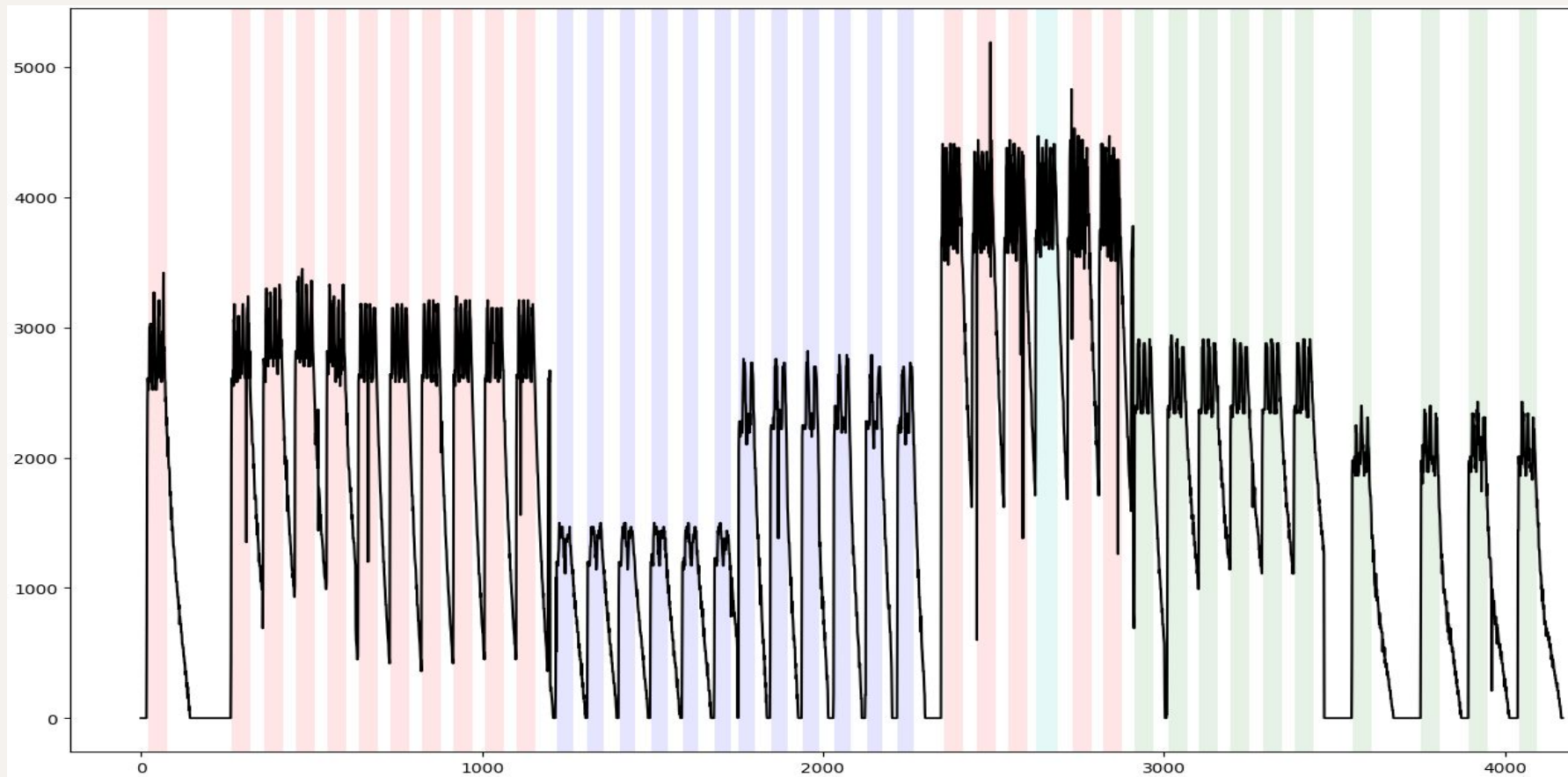


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Results

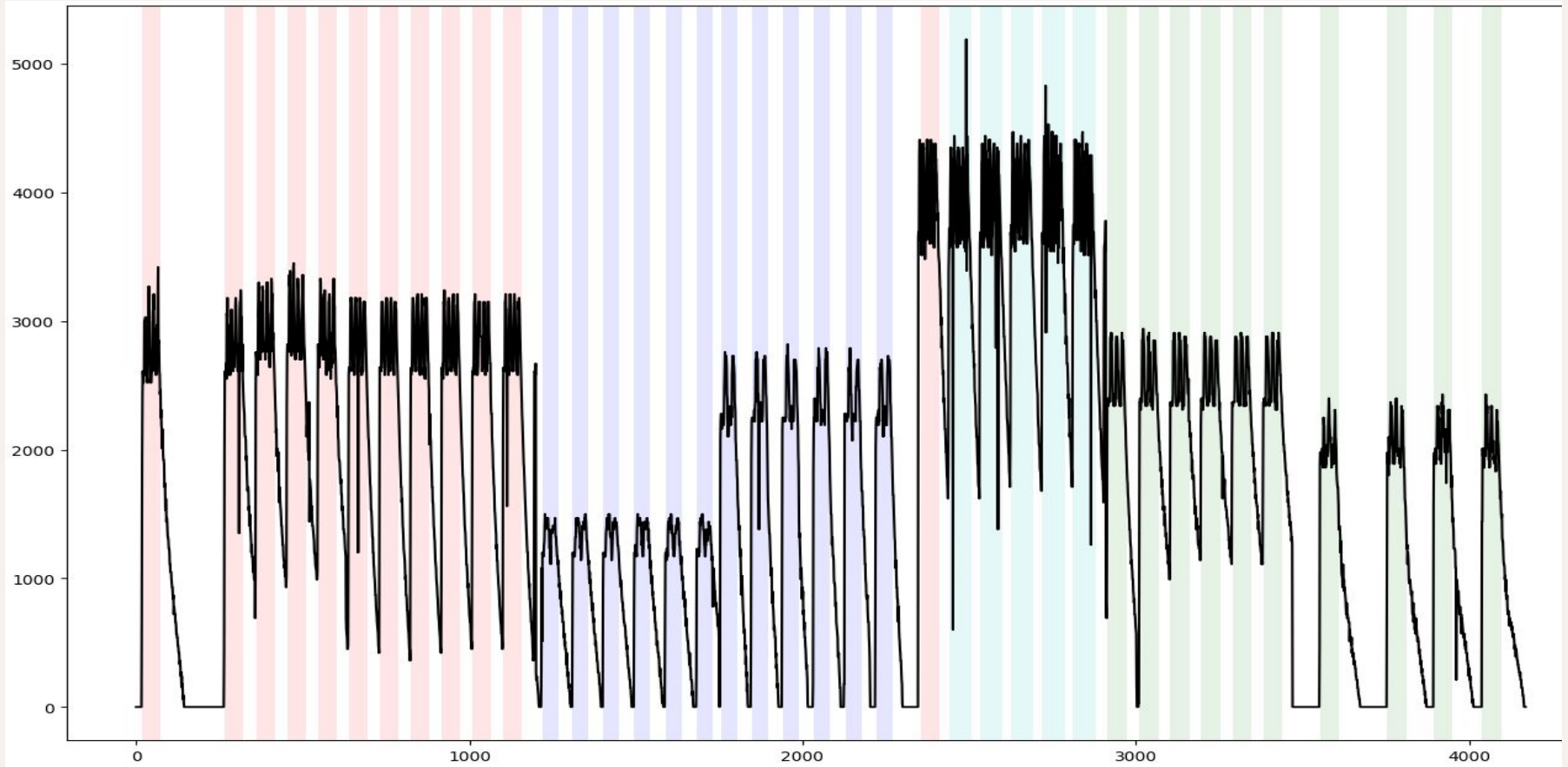
Multiple Patterns

Multiple Patterns - DTW



None of the 5-Picks patterns have been detected

Multiple Patterns - Euclidean Distance



Only 1 wrong detection

Analysis

- Global detections:
 - In most cases, same results for DTW and ED
 - Neither DTW nor ED very good when big differences in amplitude
- Local detections using standardization:
 - ED equal or better than DTW in nearly every test
 - Big difference in computation time:
 - 1s vs. 3min for single pattern
 - 10s vs. 15min for multiple patterns



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Conclusion

Conclusion

- Euclidean Distance with Standardization → Best results
- Low computation time
 - Should definitely be implemented in AIXPert
- In most cases, DTW worse than Euclidean Distance
- High computation Time
 - Not helpful in this testcase
 - Tests on another testcase may provide new insights

Thank you!