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HMM classification performance

Feature comparison

Hidden states

HMM feature input

Event confusion

Demo video

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