

# Common Manifold Learning using Alternating-Diffusion for Multimodal Signal Processing

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# Multimodal data analysis: sleep stage identification

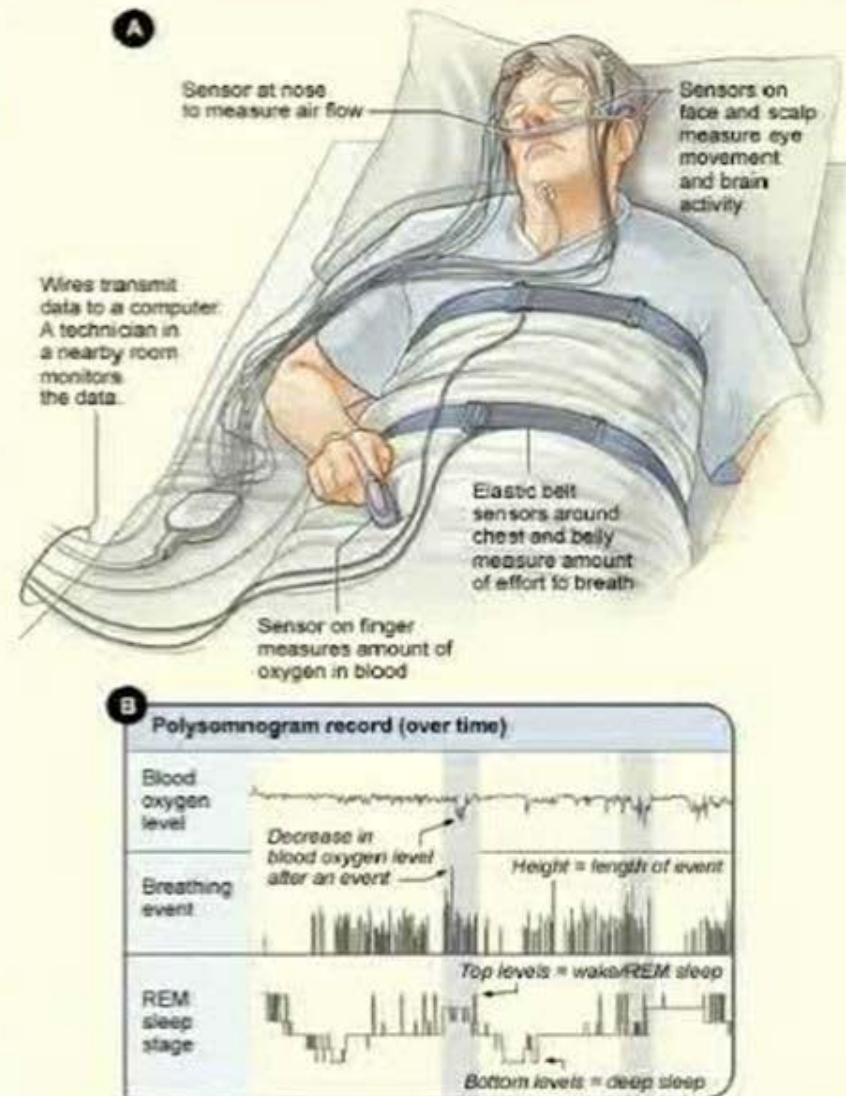


Figure: Sleep polysomnography [Source: NIH]

## Setting:

Three *hidden* random variables,  $X$ ,  $Y$  and  $Z$ , such that given  $X$ , the variables  $Y$  and  $Z$  are independent.

$$(X, Y, Z) \sim \pi_{x,y,z}(X, Y, Z)$$

$$\pi_{x,y,z}(X, Y, Z) = \pi_x(X)\pi_{y|x}(Y|X)\pi_{z|x}(Z|X),$$

Two measured *observable* random variables:  $S^{(1)} = g(X, Y)$  and  $S^{(2)} = h(X, Z)$ , where  $g$  and  $h$  are bilipschitz functions.

## Dataset:

$n$  pairs of measurements  $\left\{ (s_i^{(1)}, s_i^{(2)}) \right\}_{i=1}^n$ ,

for  $n$  realizations of the hidden variables  $\{(x_i, y_i, z_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ .

Goal: Recover a parametrization of the common variable  $X$ .

# A Toy Example

No pun intended



Figure: Experimental setup

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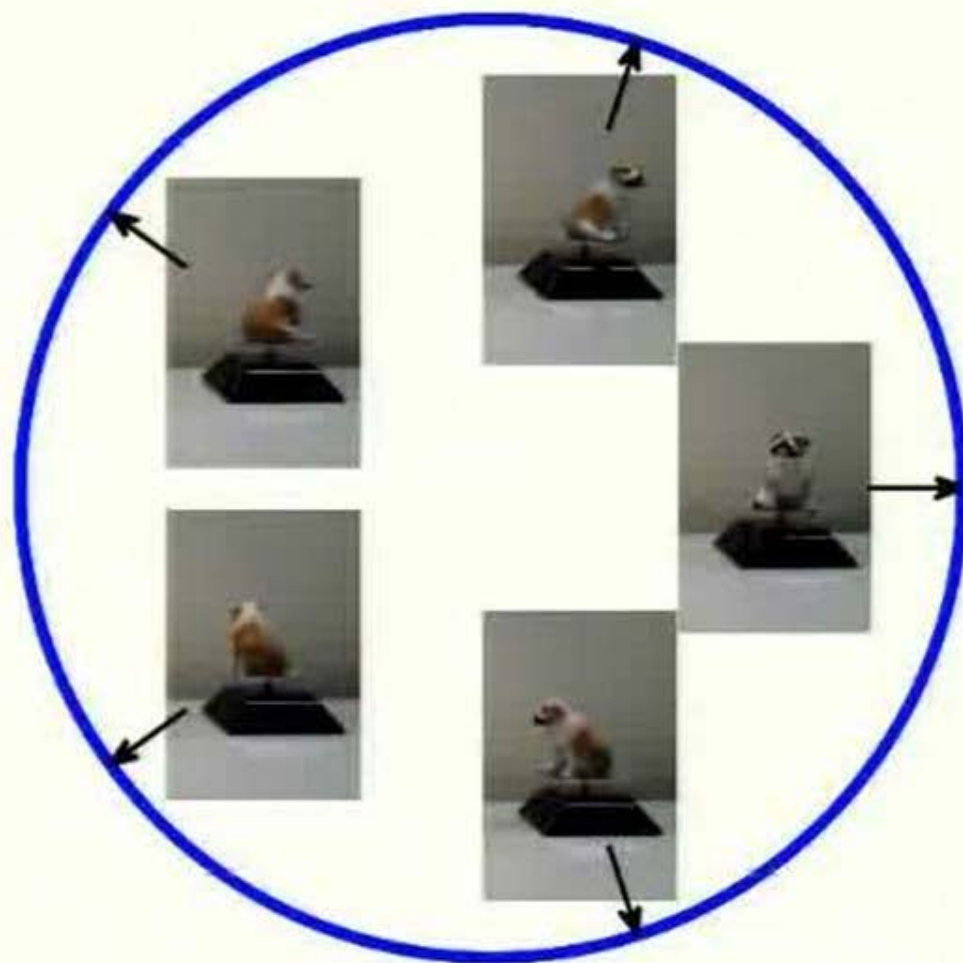


Figure: each sample (snapshot) is a point on the circle, representing the rotation angle.

# Multiple variables

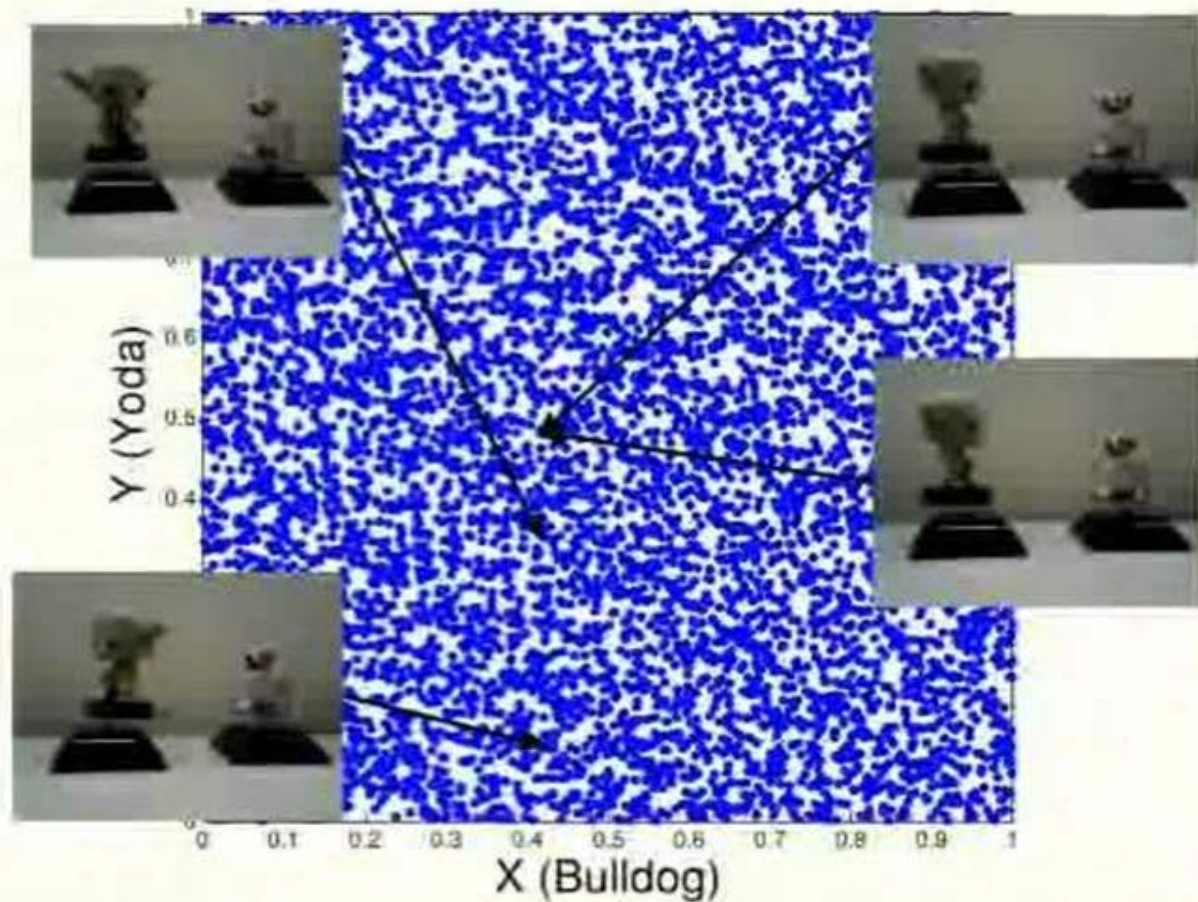


Figure: Each variable is the rotation angle of one of the objects.

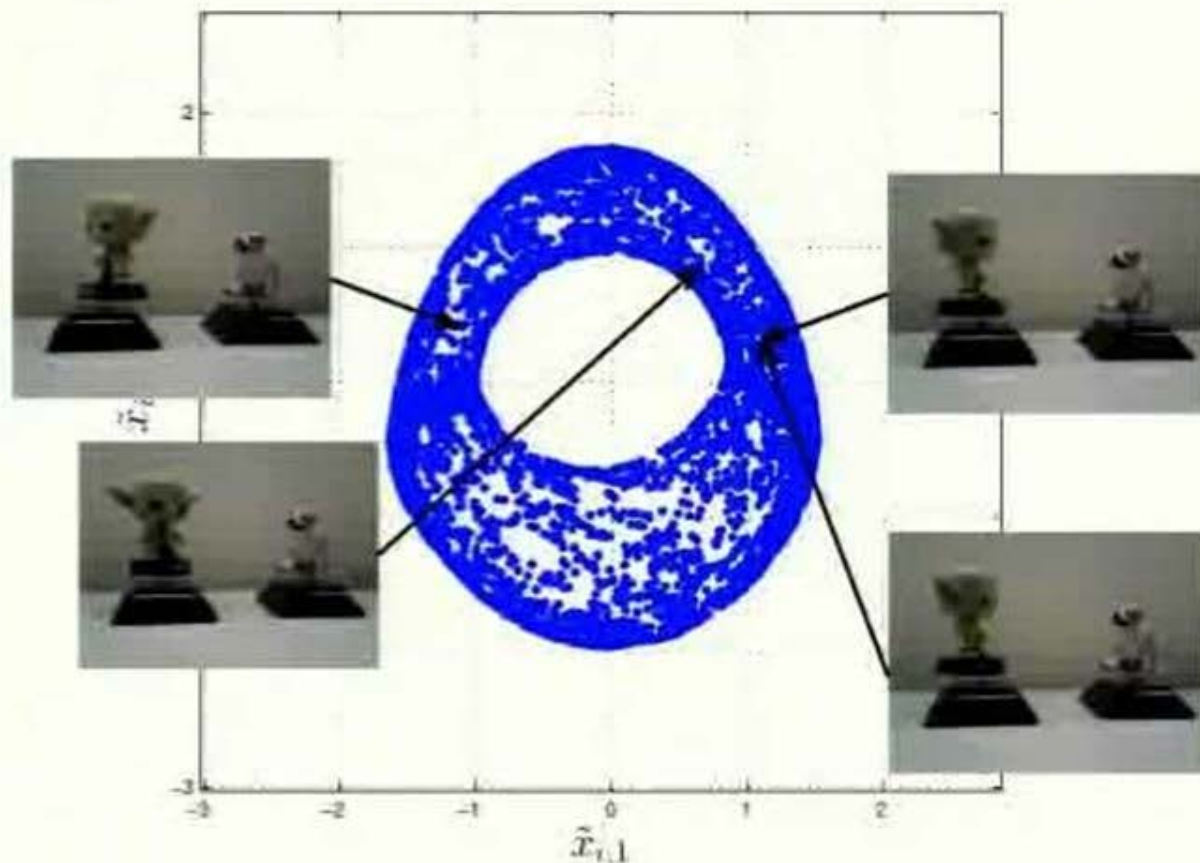


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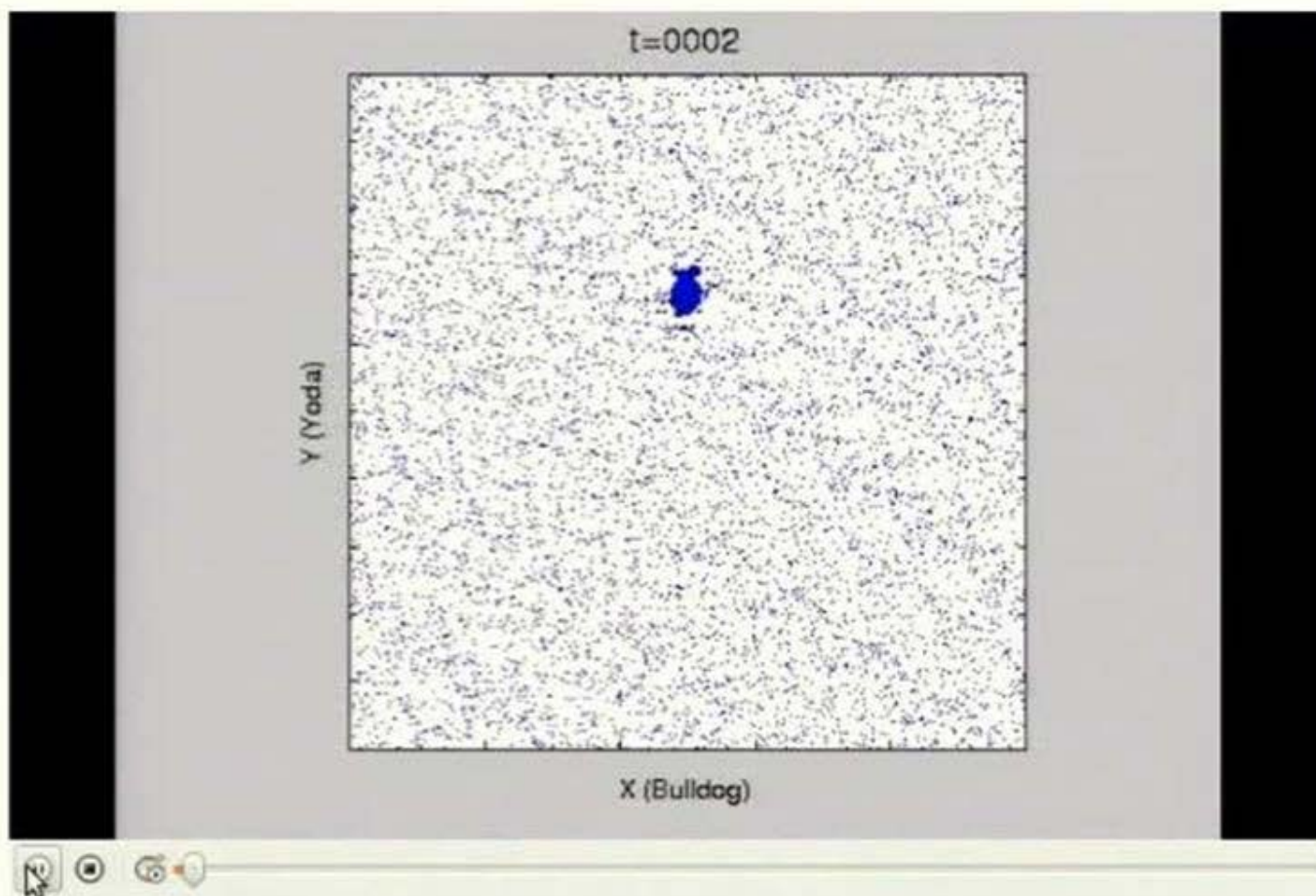
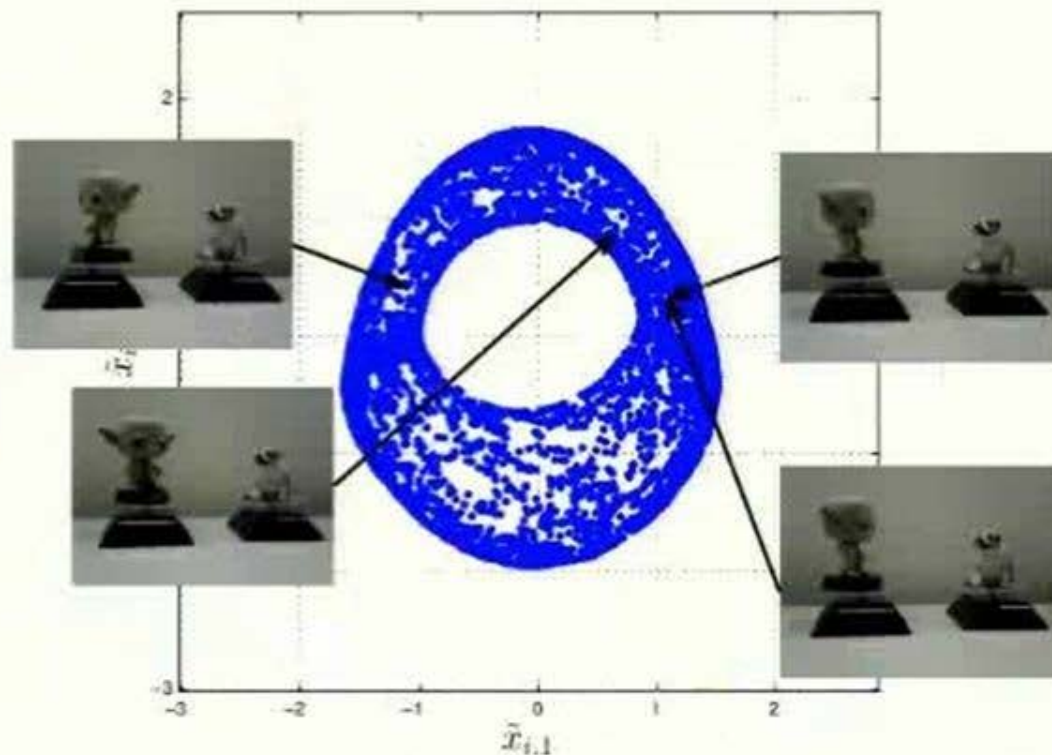


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# Diffusion maps: multiple variables

Compute the diffusion distance:  $d_t(i, j) = \|p_{i,t} - p_{j,t}\|_M$ ,  
and a low dimensional embedding consistent with this distance:



**Figure:** The embedding captures the two sources of variability, but does not separate the sources of variability.



# Our approach : alternating diffusion



Construct the diffusion operators  $K^{(1)}$  and  $K^{(2)}$  for Sensor 1 and Sensor 2, respectively.

$K^{(1)}$  alone would generate the diffusion for Sensor 1,

$K^{(2)}$  alone would generate the diffusion for Sensor 2.

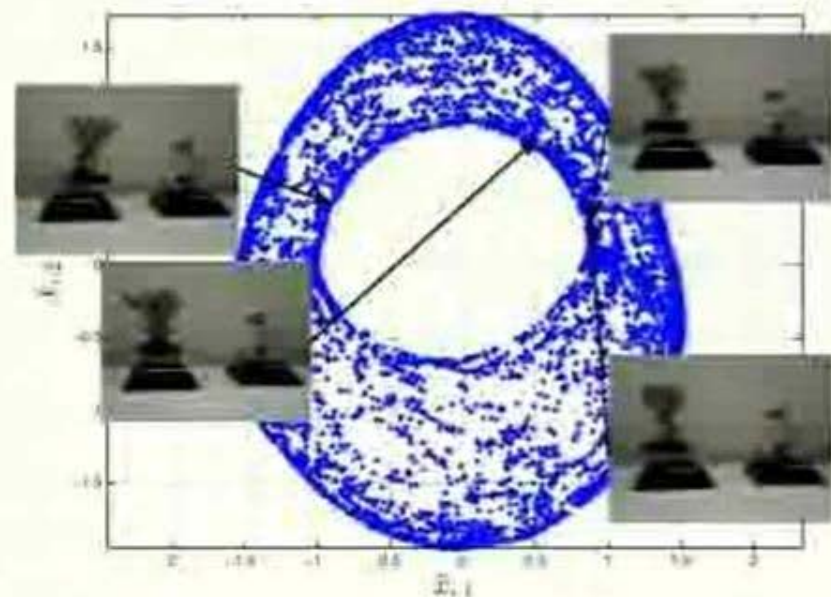


Figure: Embedding of samples from Sensor 1

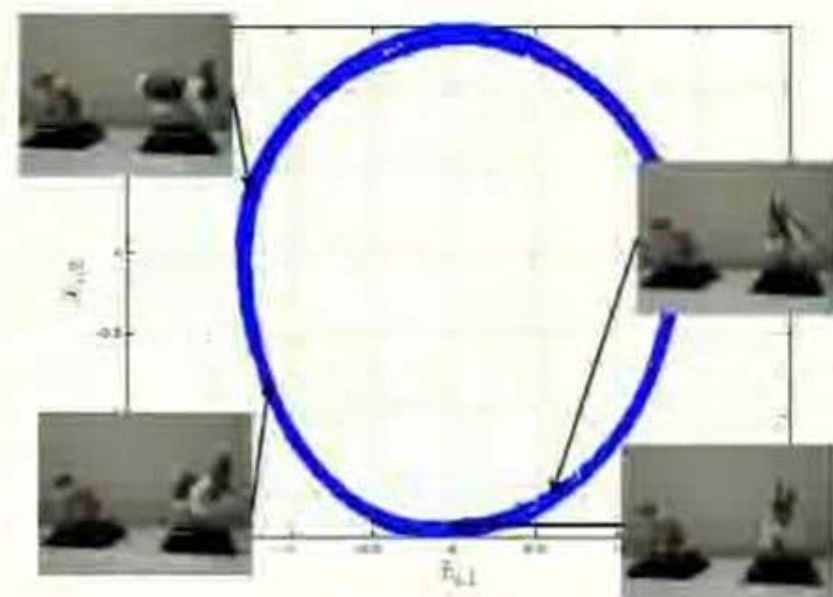


Figure: Embedding of samples from Sensor 2



# Alternating diffusion

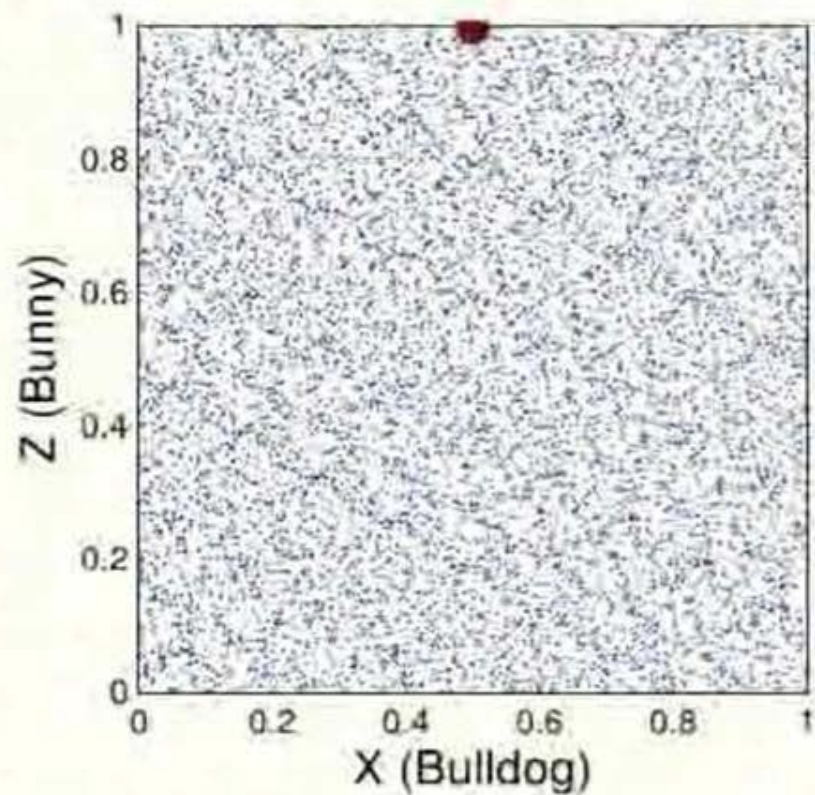
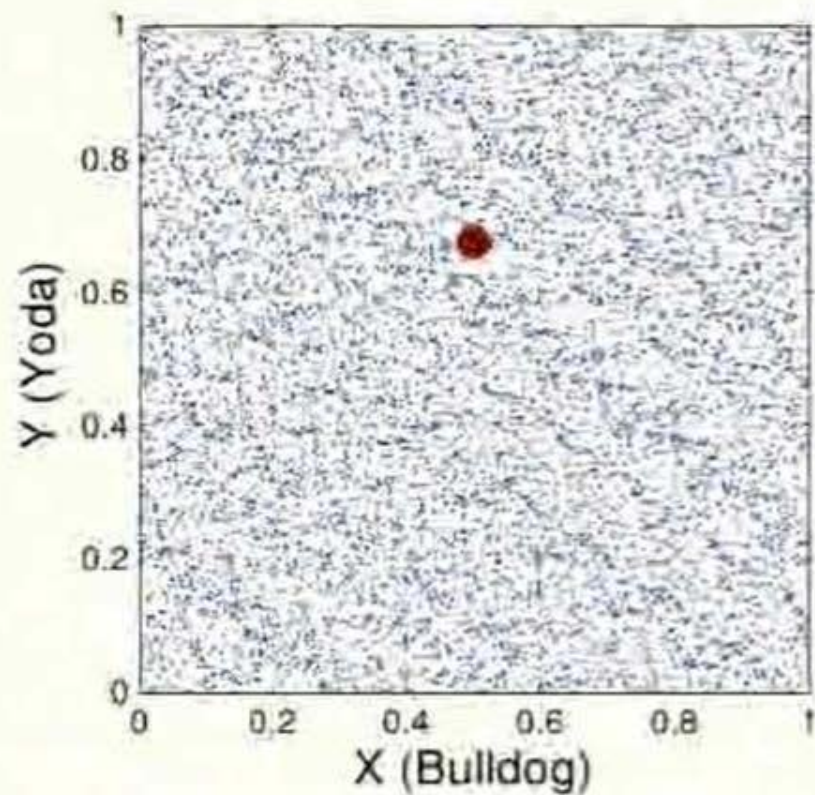


Figure: Diffusion:  $p_{k,0}$

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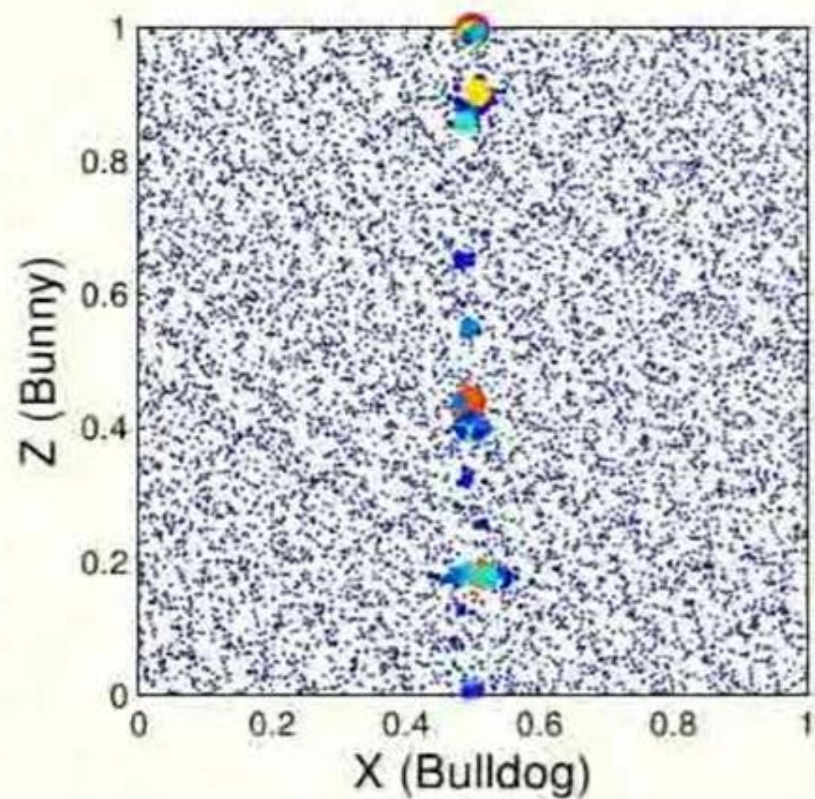
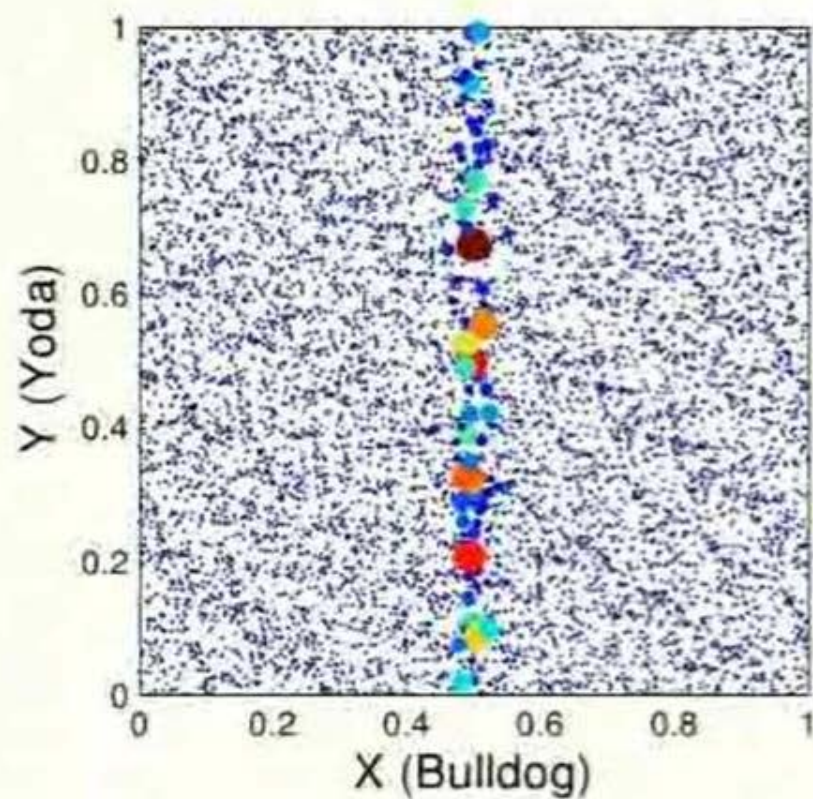


Figure: Diffusion:  $p_{i,2} = K^{(2)} p_{i,1}$



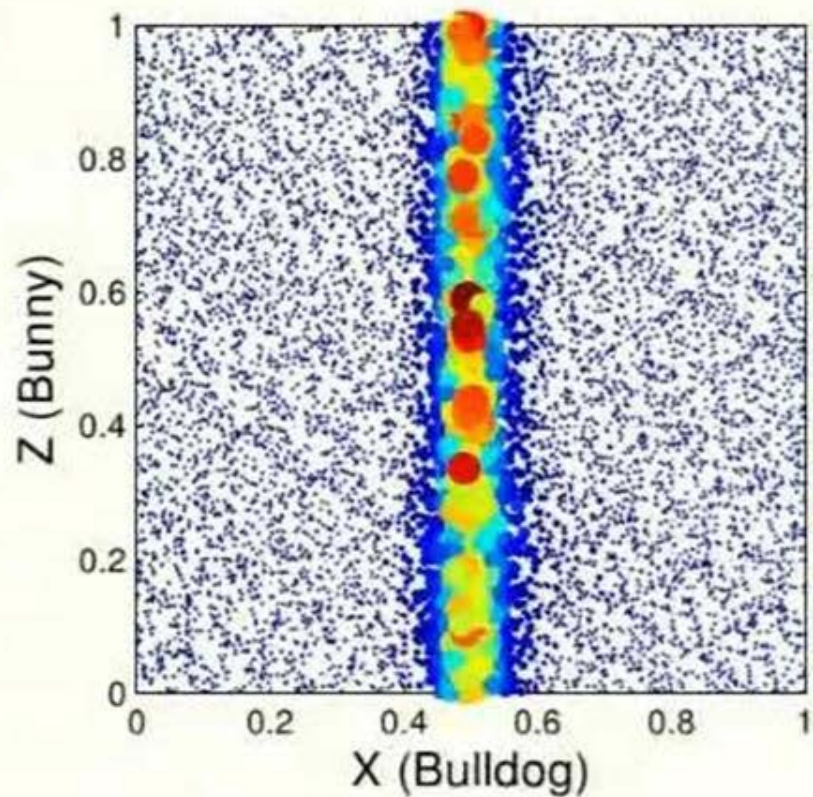
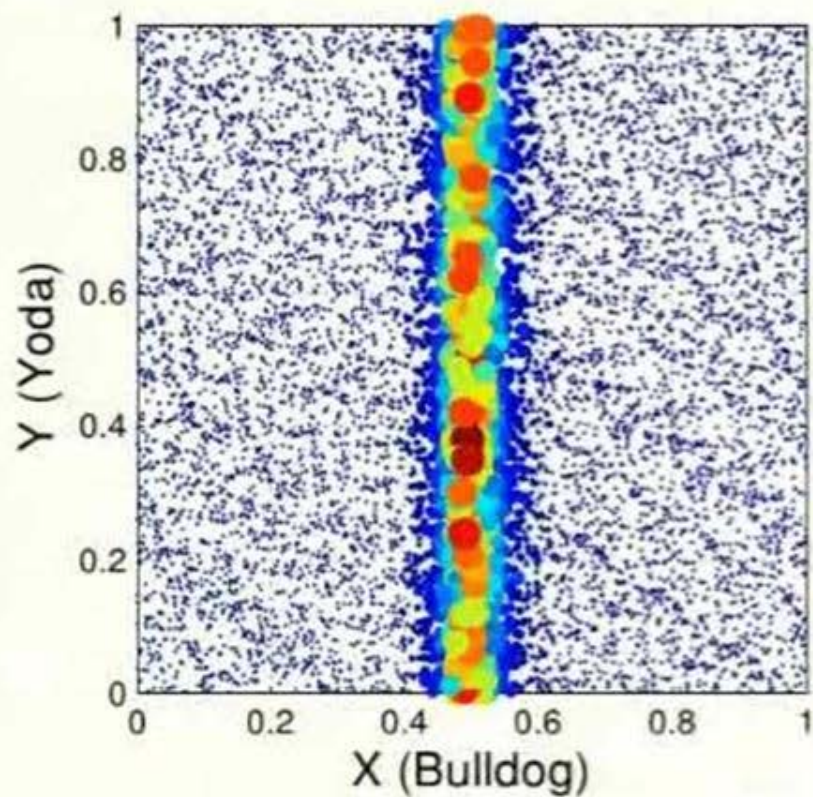


Figure: Diffusion:  $p_{i,6} = K^{(2)} p_{i,5}$



Figure: diffusion sequence  $p_{i,t}(x, y, z)$ , projected on  $X \times Y$  and  $X \times Z$



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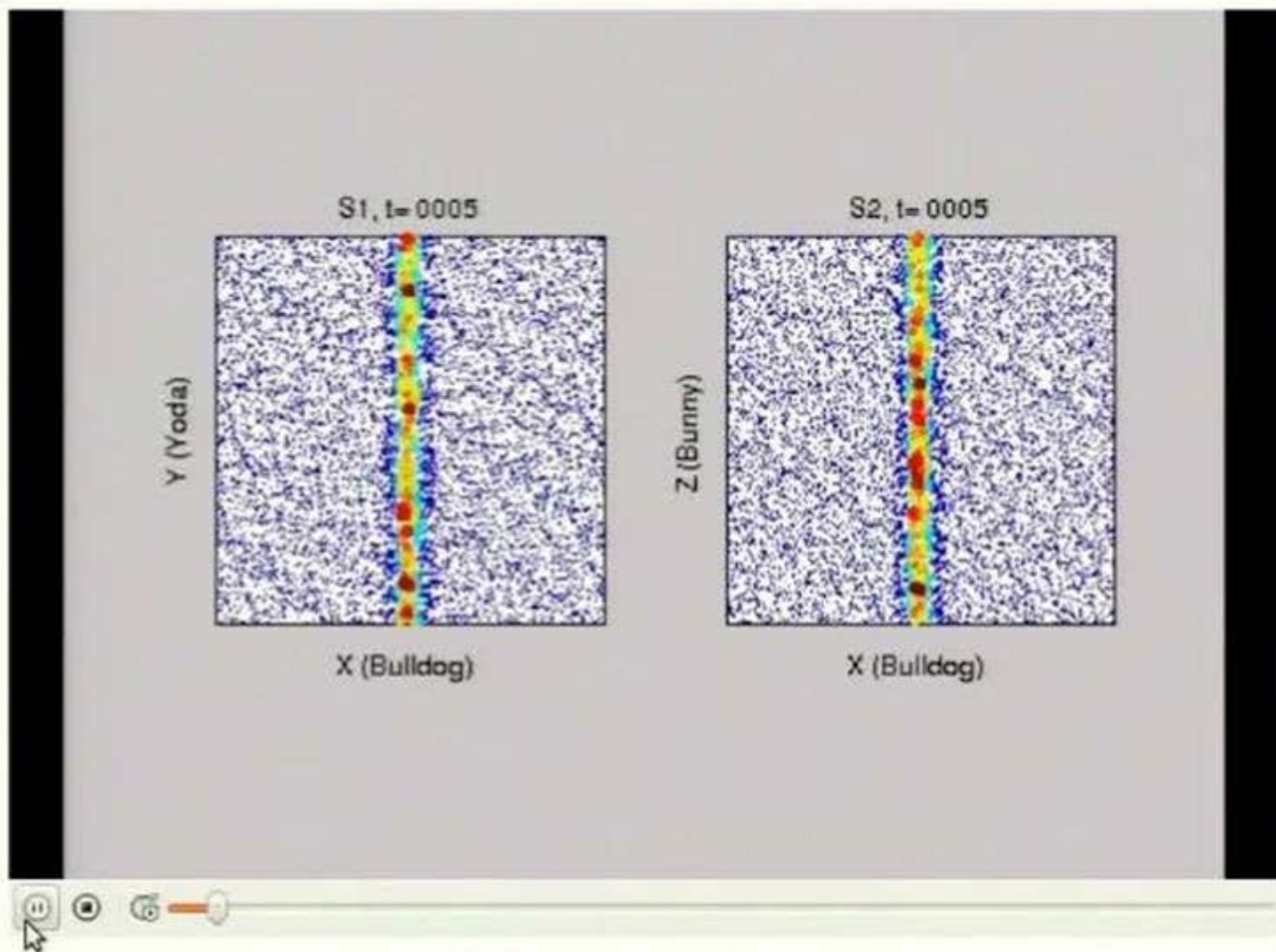


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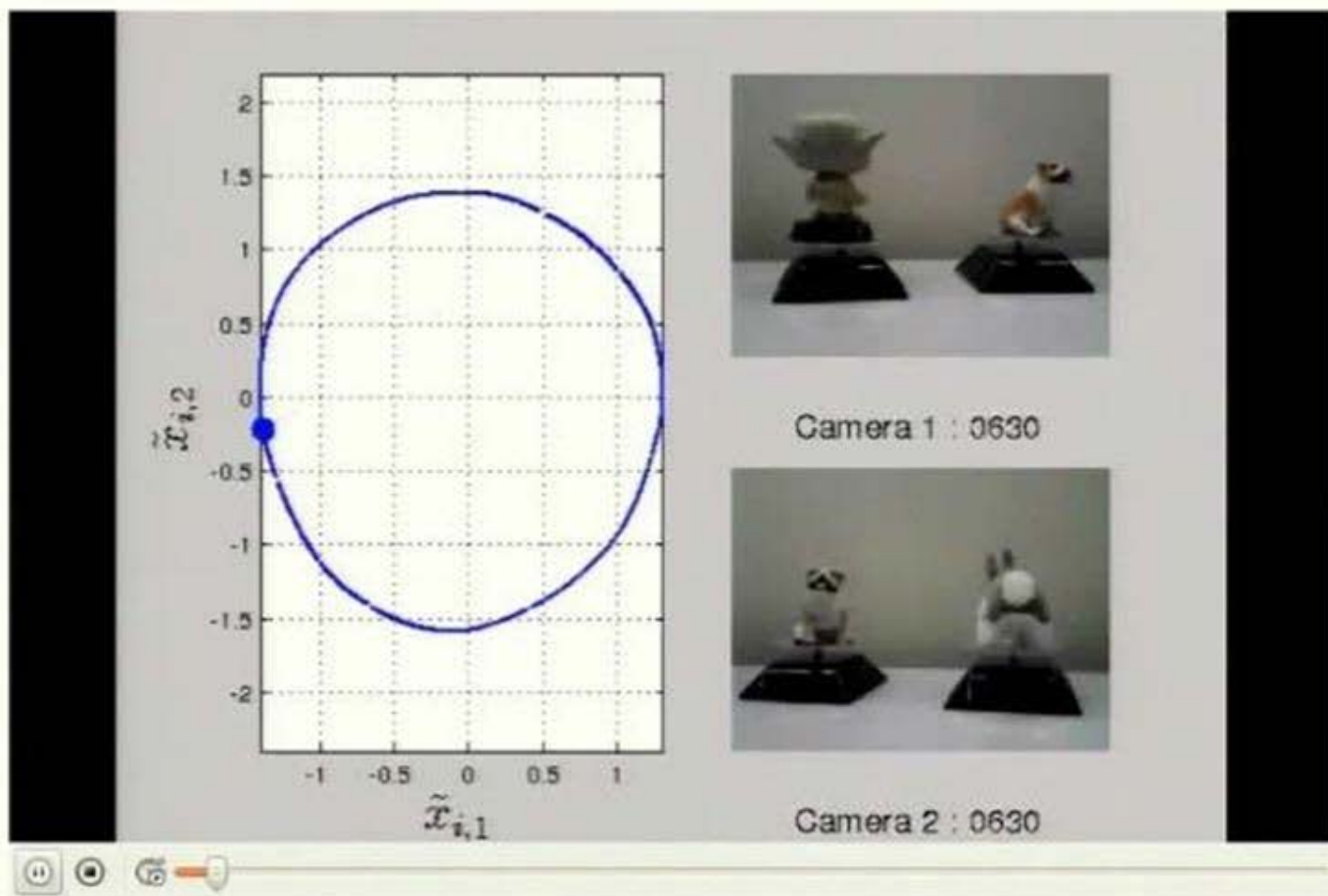


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## Algorithm 1 Alternating-diffusion

- 1 Calculate two affinity matrices

$$W_{ij}^{(1)} = \exp\left(-\frac{\|s_i^{(1)} - s_j^{(1)}\|^2}{\epsilon^{(1)}}\right); \quad W_{ij}^{(2)} = \exp\left(-\frac{\|s_i^{(2)} - s_j^{(2)}\|^2}{\epsilon^{(2)}}\right).$$

- 2 Compute diffusion operators  $K_{ij}^{(1)} = \frac{W_{ij}^{(1)}}{\sum_{l=1}^n W_{lj}^{(1)}}; K_{ij}^{(2)} = \frac{W_{ij}^{(2)}}{\sum_{l=1}^n W_{lj}^{(2)}}.$

- 3 Compute the alternating diffusion operator  $K = K^{(2)}K^{(1)}.$

- 4 Compute the diffusion distance at time  $2m$  between each two points:

$$d_{2m}(i, j) = \|(K^m)_{\cdot, i} - (K^m)_{\cdot, j}\|_2.$$

- 5 (Optionally:) Refine using a standard diffusion maps algorithm.





We define the effective ("marginal") functions  $p_{i,t}^{(e)}(x)$ ,

$$p_{i,t}^{(e)}(x) = \int p_{i,t}(x, y, z) \pi_{y,z|x}(y, z) dy dz$$

## Theorem 1 (Alternating diffusion sequences)

*The sequence of effective functions  $p_{i,2m+1}^{(e)}(x)$  is a diffusion sequence with the appropriate diffusion operator  $D^{(e)}$ :*

$$p_{i,2m+3}^{(e)}(x) = \left( D^{(e)} \left( p_{i,2m+1}^{(e)} \right) \right) (x)$$

Ideally, we would now like to define an alternating diffusion distance of the form

$$\left\| p_{i,2m+1}^{(e)}(x) - p_{j,2m+1}^{(e)}(x) \right\|_M.$$

The effective functions  $p_{i,t}^{(e)}(x)$  cannot be measured directly, but the alternating diffusion distance can be computed from the alternating diffusion sequences  $p_{i,t}(x, y, z)$ .

## Theorem 2 (Computing the alternating diffusion distance)

*The alternating diffusion distance is related to the diffusion sequence  $p_{i,2m+2}(x, y, z)$  by*

$$\begin{aligned}d_{2m+1}(i, j) &= \left\| p_{i,2m+1}^{(e)}(x) - p_{j,2m+1}^{(e)}(x) \right\|_M = \\ &= \left\| p_{i,2m+2}(x, y, z) - p_{j,2m+2}(x, y, z) \right\|_{\pi},\end{aligned}$$

*with the appropriate norms  $\|f(x)\|_M$  and  $\|f(x, y, z)\|_{\pi}$ .*

[Lederman, Talmon, Wu, Lo, Coifman, to appear in ICASSP 2015 ]

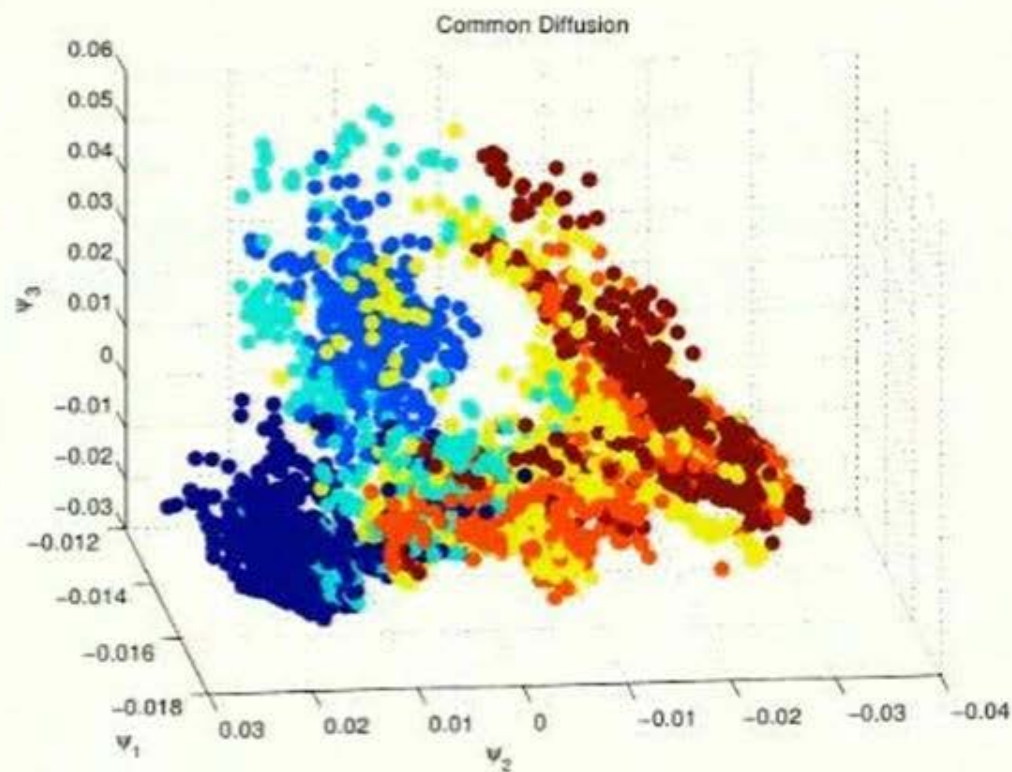


Figure: common variable in respiration signals (airflow, chest belt, and abdominal belt).



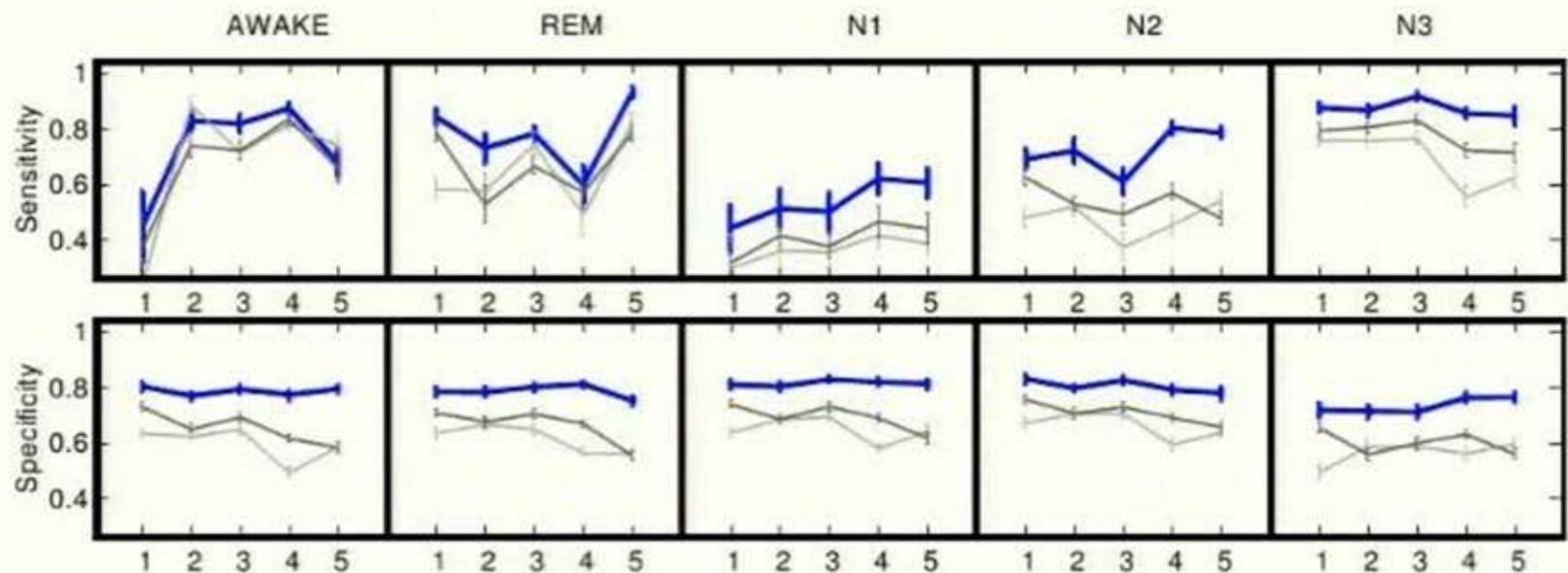


Figure: the sensitivity and the specificity of the sleep stage identification per individual.

Gray: single channels identification (light gray - airflow, dark gray - abdominal motion).

Blue: alternating diffusion identification.



- Canonical Correlation Analysis (CCA) [Hotelling, 1936]
- Kernel CCA [Lai, 2000 ; Bach, Jordan, 2003]
- Two-Manifold Problems [Boots, Gordon, 2012]
- Cross-diffusion [Wang, et al. 2012; Lindenbaum, 2015]



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# Alternating diffusion - random projection of images

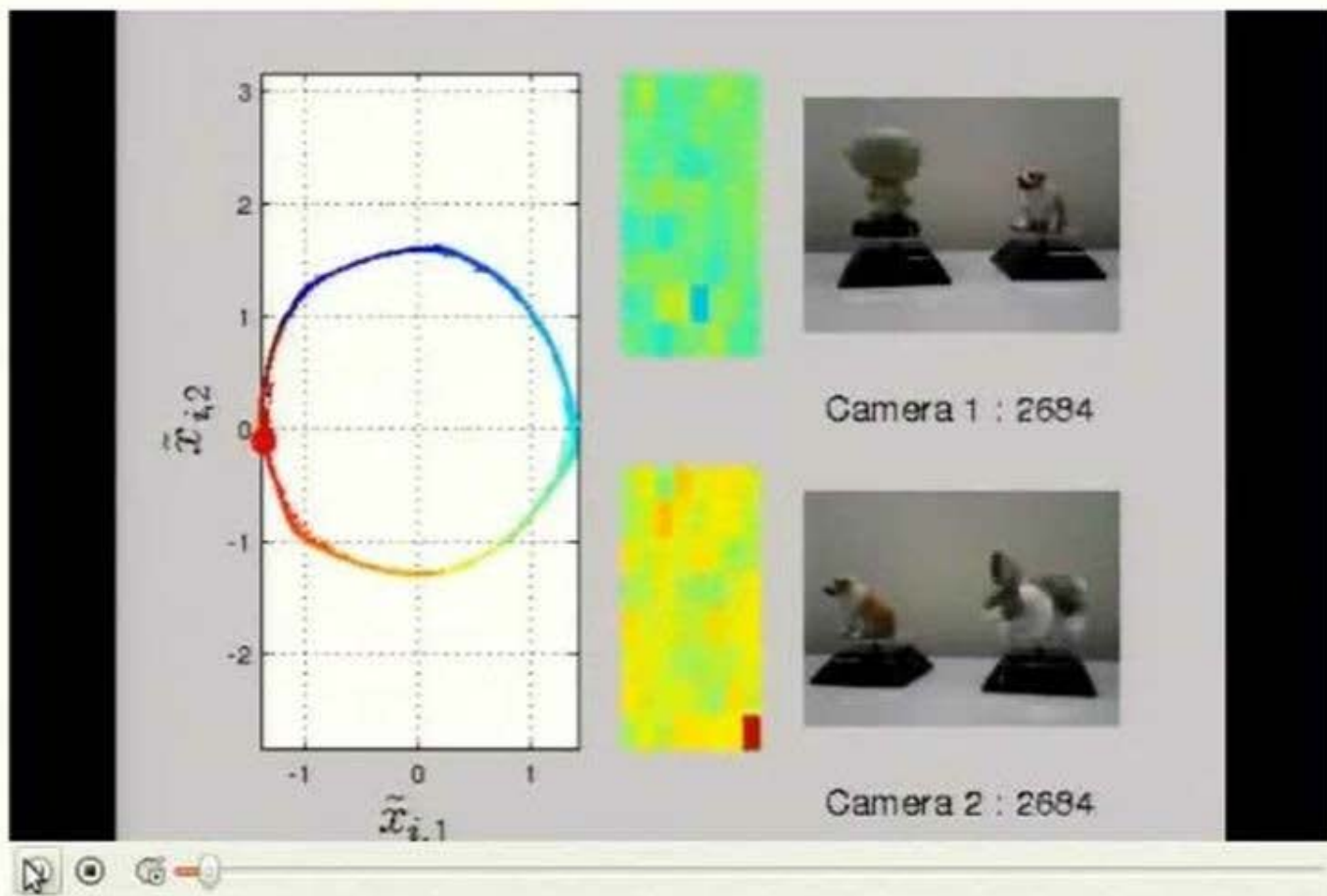


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# Thank you!

More information:

<http://roy.lederman.name/alternating-diffusion/>

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