



# Fast Global Alignment Kernels

Time Series

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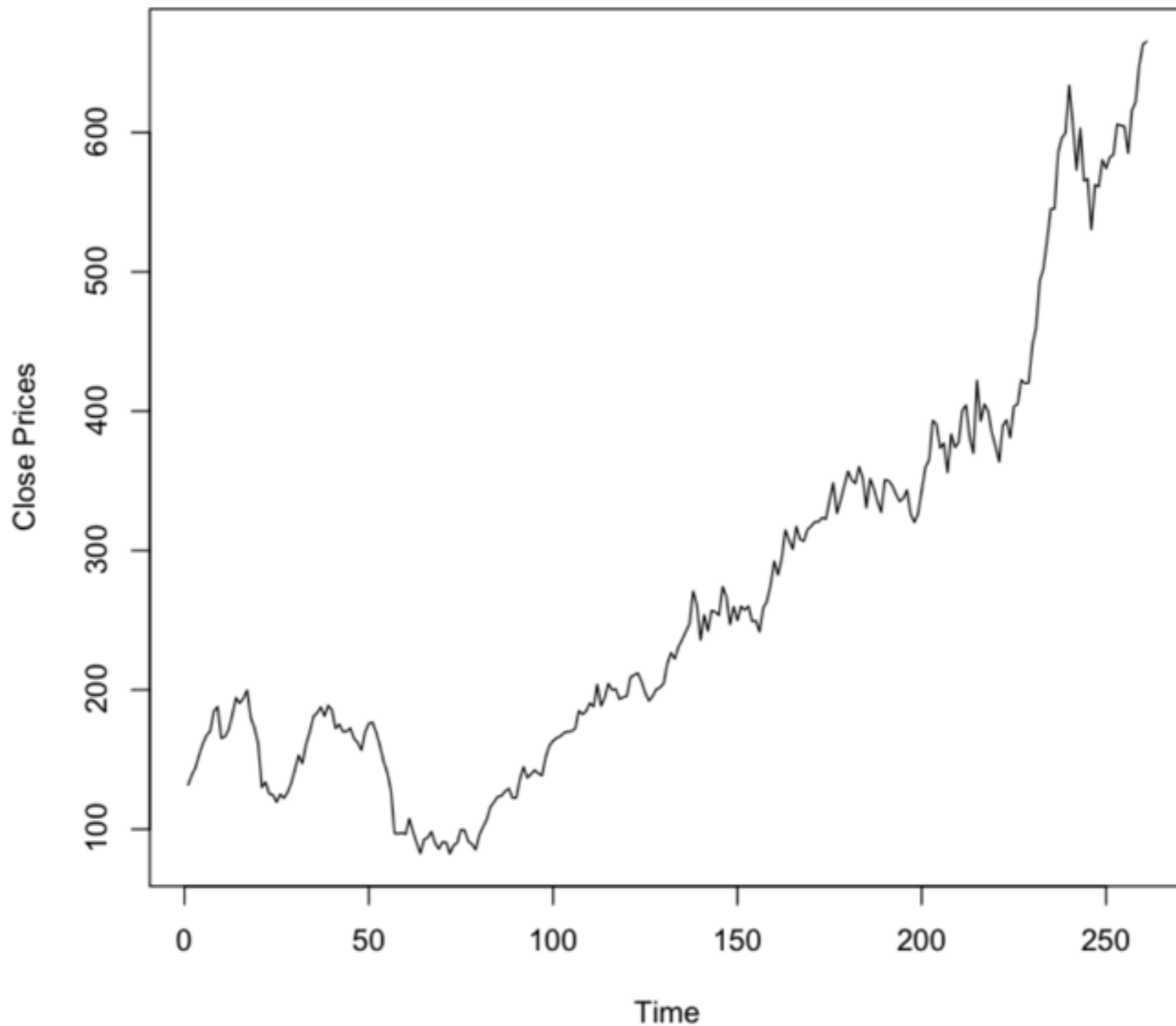
# Example #1

- Stock Price Forecasting

Apple Inc (9.2007 - 8.2012)



Weekly Close Prices of Apple Inc (09.2007 - 08.2012)





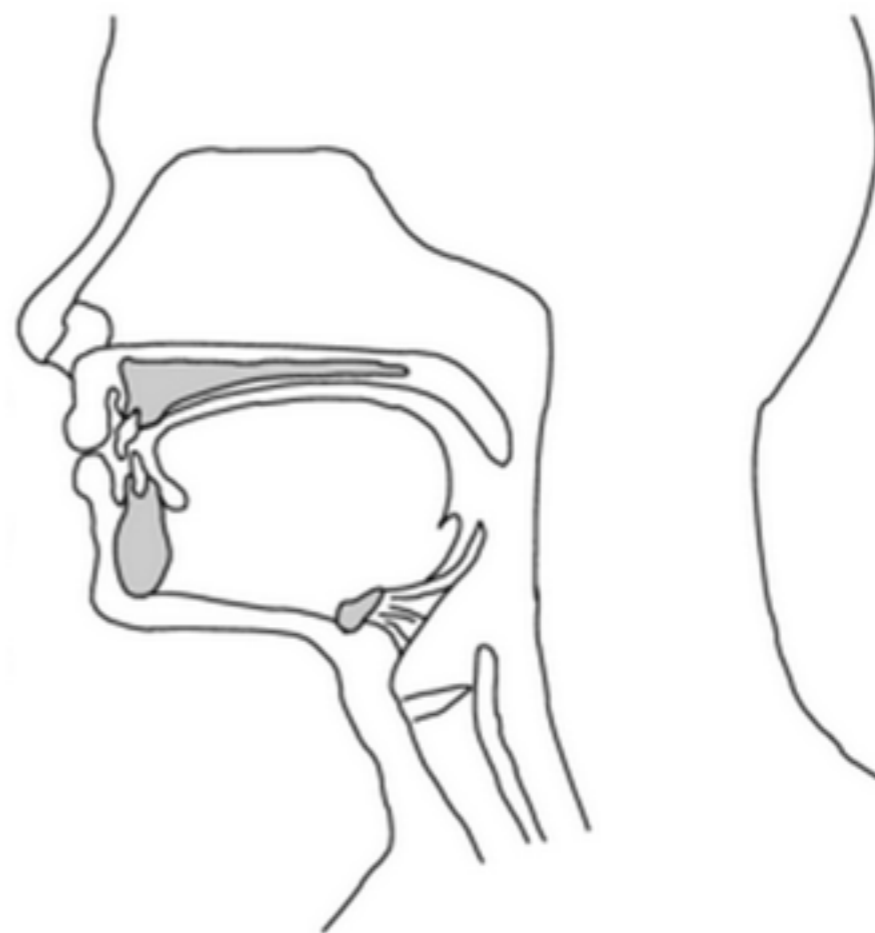
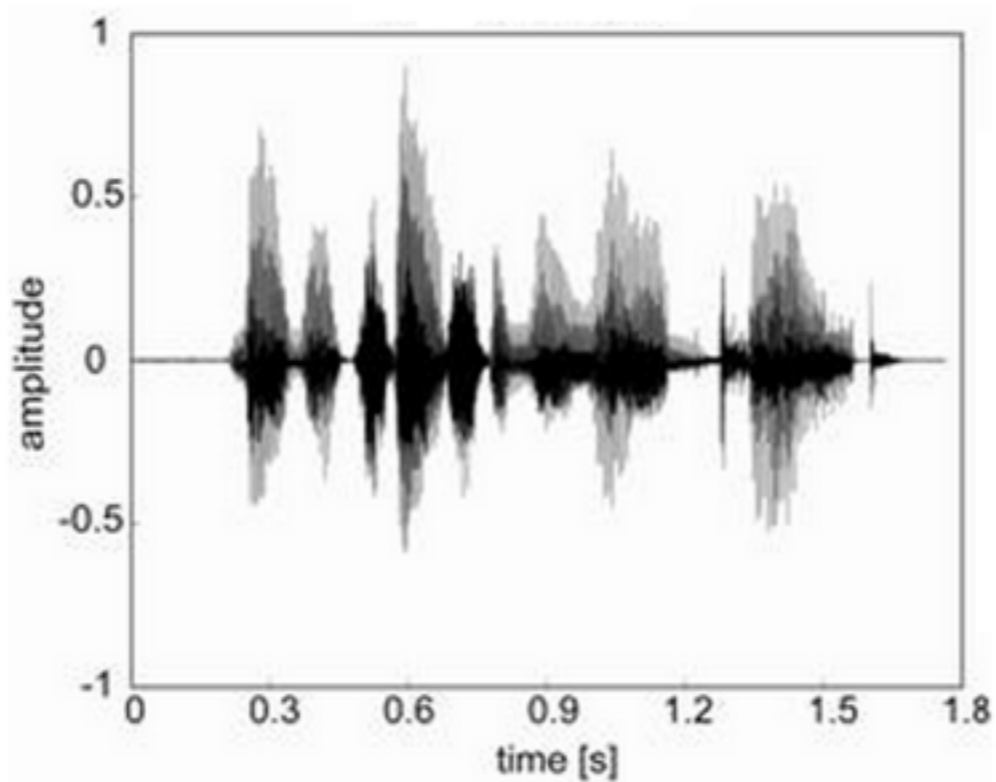
# Example #2

- Caltrans Performance Measurement System (PeMS)
  - occupancy rate in San Francisco bay area freeways -  $[0,1]$
  - 963 sensors (different car lanes)
  - data every 10'
  - time series per day: dimension - 963, length -  $6*24=144$



# Example #3

- Speech signals



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# Problem Formulation

- Goal: Find adequate kernels for time series
  - handle variable length
  - be positive definite
  - low computational cost

# How we start?

Similarity Measure:  $K(x, y) = \langle \phi(x), \phi(y) \rangle$

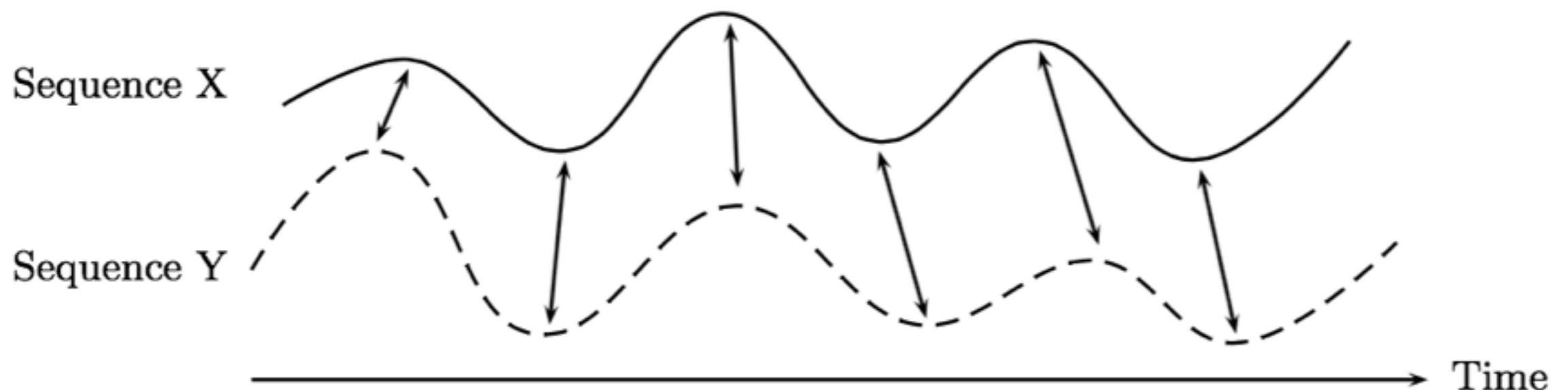
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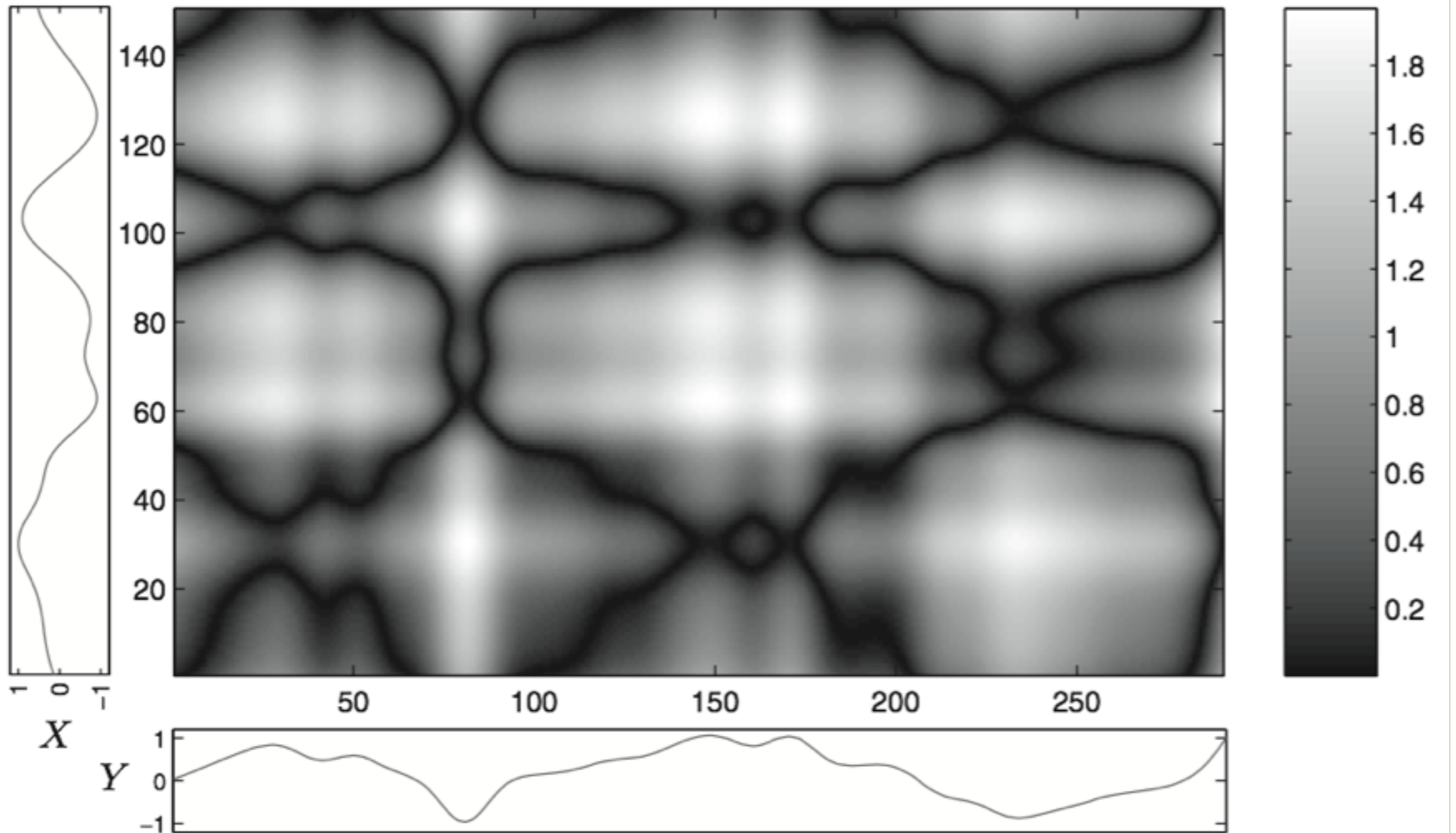


# Dynamic Time Warping

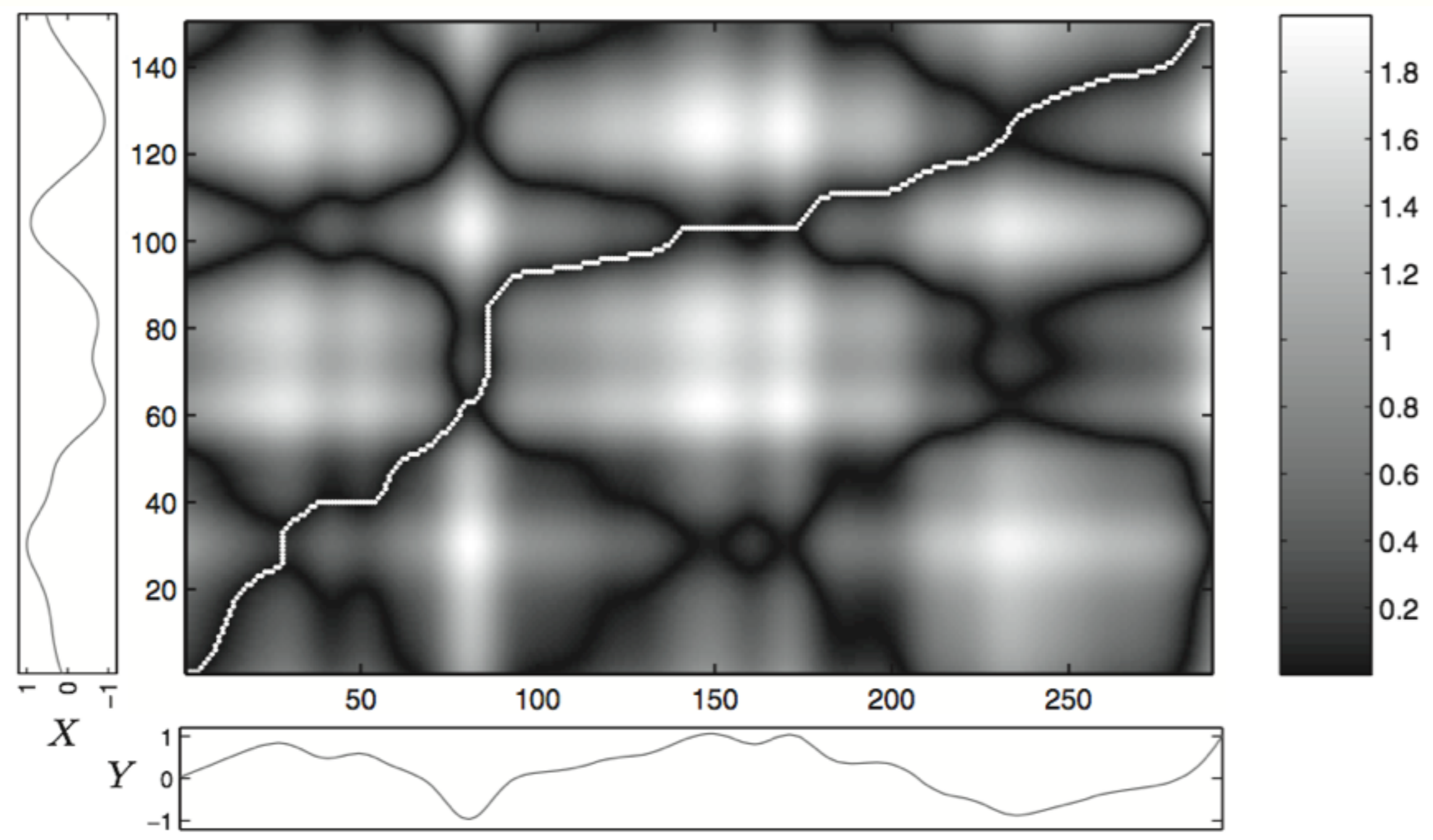
- pairwise comparisons?
- alignment:  
associate each element of sequence  $X$  to one or more elements of sequence  $Y$  and vice-versa



# DTW Cost Matrix

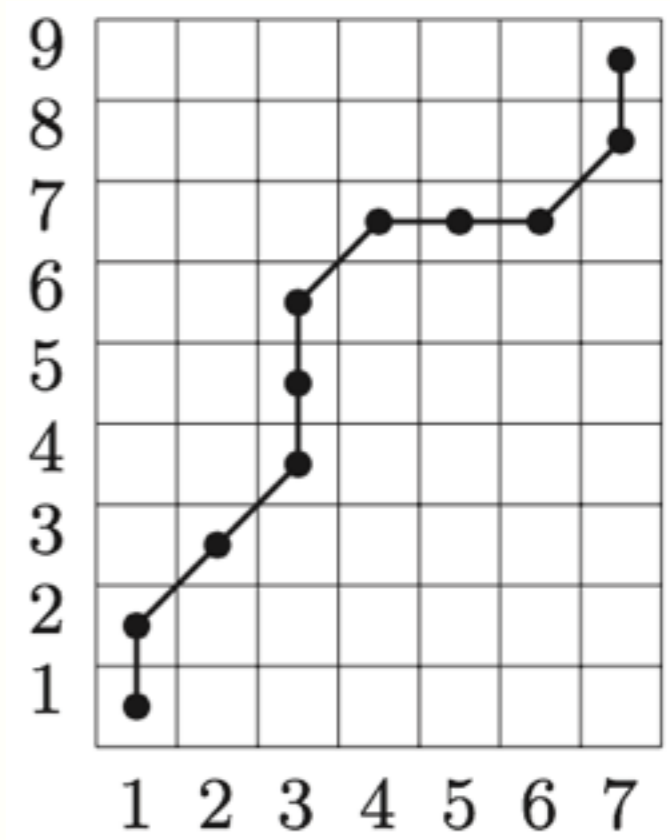
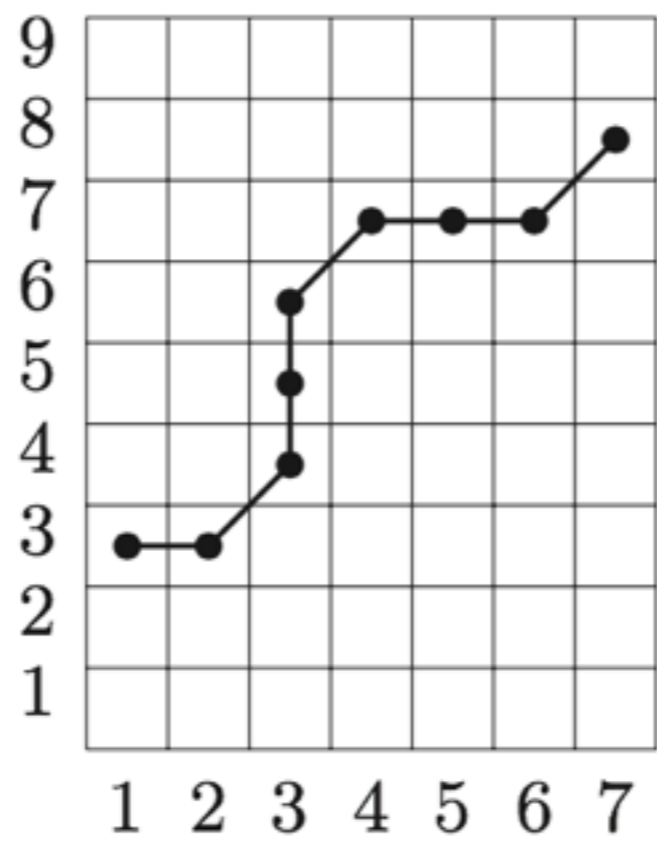


# Optimal Alignment



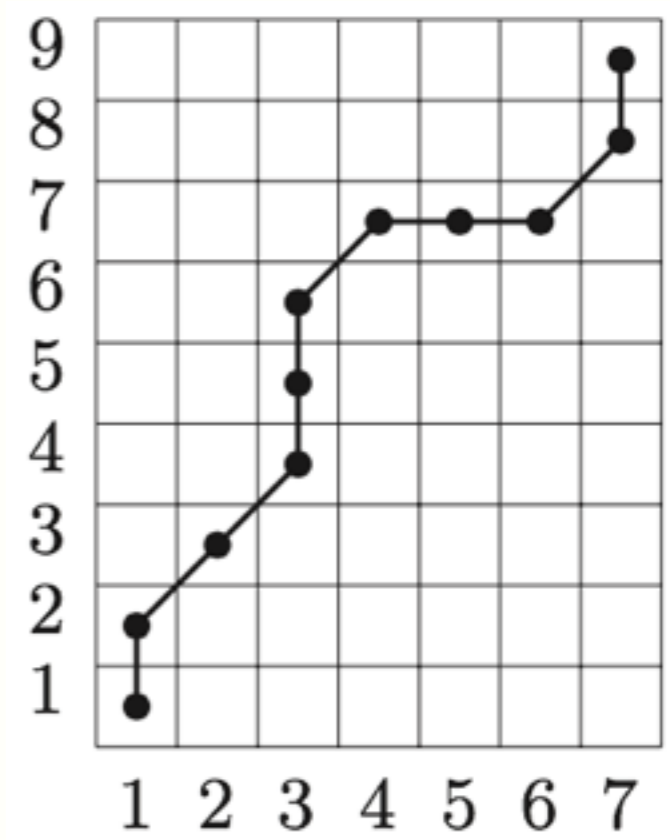
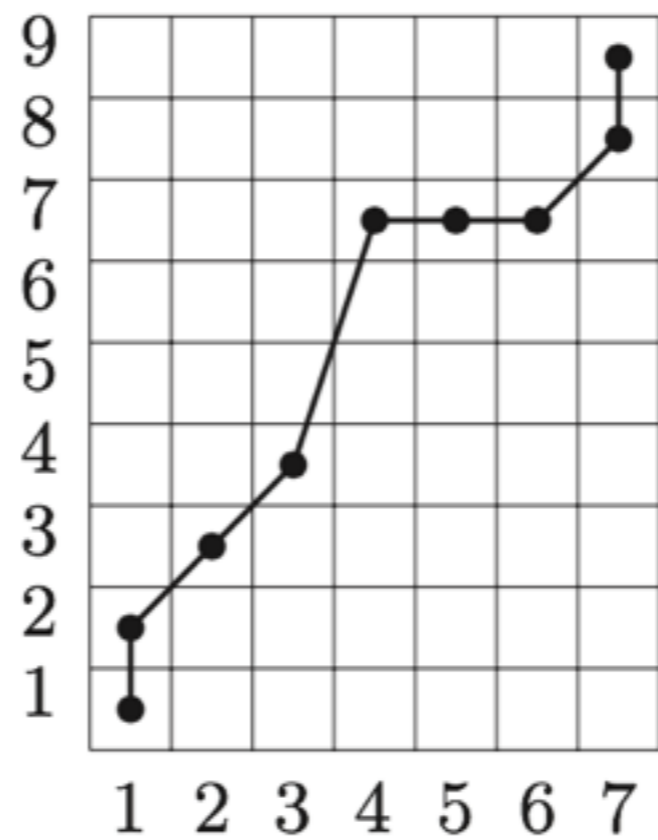
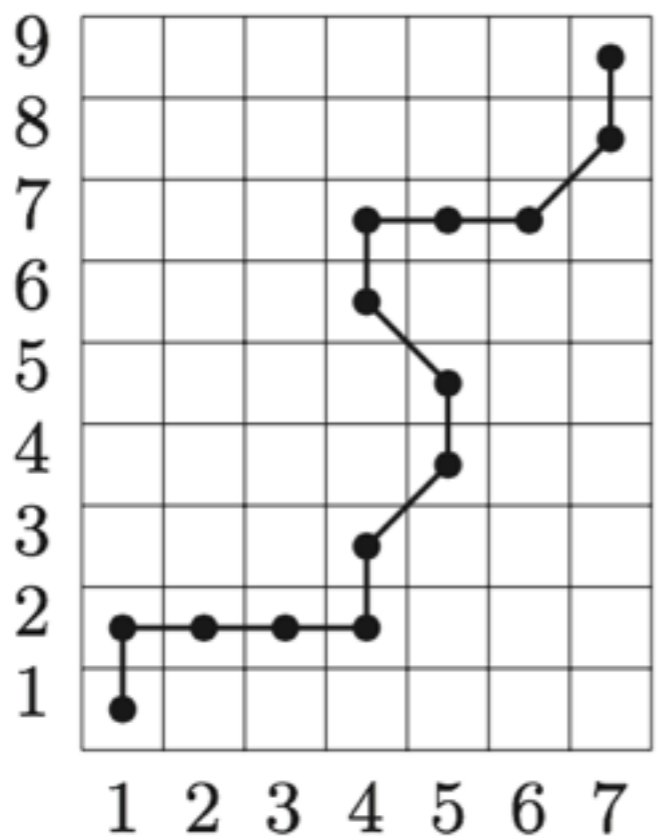
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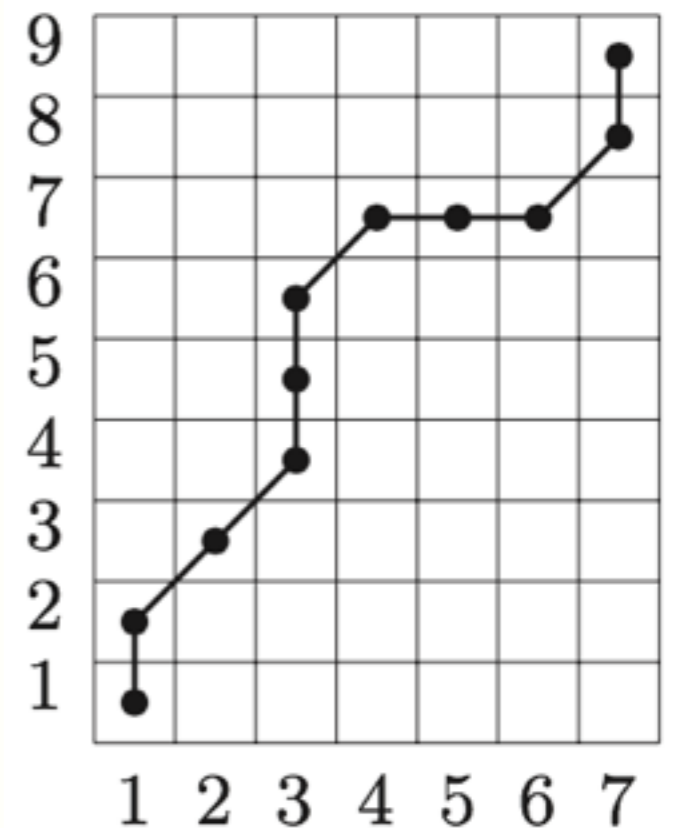
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- warping functions:  $\pi_1(i), \pi_2(j)$
- moves:  $\rightarrow, \uparrow, \nearrow$
- cost per alignment  $\pi$ :

$$D_{x,y}(\pi) = \sum_{i=1}^{|\pi|} \varphi(x_{\pi_1(i)}, y_{\pi_2(i)})$$

- optimal alignment:

$$DTW(x, y) = \min_{\pi \in A(n, m)} D_{x,y}(\pi)$$



# Why not DTW?

- not PDS
- high computational cost,  $O(dnm)$



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# GA kernels

- soft maximum motivation,  $\log(\sum_i e^{x_i})$ :

$$k_{GA} = \sum_{\pi \in A(n,m)} e^{-D_{x,y}(\pi)} = \sum_{\pi \in A(n,m)} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^{|\pi|} \varphi(x_{\pi_1(i)}, y_{\pi_2(i)})}$$

- by defining  $\kappa = e^{-\varphi}$ :

$$k_{GA} = \sum_{\pi \in A(n,m)} \prod_{i=1}^{|\pi|} \kappa(x_{\pi_1(i)}, y_{\pi_2(i)})$$

- whole spectrum of costs/alignments



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# Diagonal Dominance

- off-diagonal entries far smaller than trace (Gram matrix)
- Solution:

$$\kappa = e^{-\lambda\varphi(x_{\pi_1(i)}, y_{\pi_2(i)})}, \quad \lambda > 0$$



# Behavior in the limits of $\lambda$

- Let  $\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p\}$  be a sample of time series

$$k_{GA}(x, y) = \sum_{\pi \in A(n, m)} \prod_{i=1}^{|\pi|} e^{-\lambda \cdot \varphi(x_{\pi_1(i)}, y_{\pi_2(i)})}$$

1. All samples have same length  $n$

- When  $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $k_{GA} \rightarrow I_p$
- When  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ ,  $k_{GA} \rightarrow D(n, n) \cdot \mathbf{1}_{p,p}$

# Delannoy numbers

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...
1	3	5	7	9	11	13	15	17	...
1	5	13	25	41	61	85	113	145	...
1	7	25	63	129	231	377	575	833	...
1	9	41	129	321	681	1289	2241	3649	...
1	11	61	231	681	1683	3653	7183	13073	...

$$D(n, m) = D(n, m - 1) + D(n - 1, m) + D(n - 1, m - 1)$$





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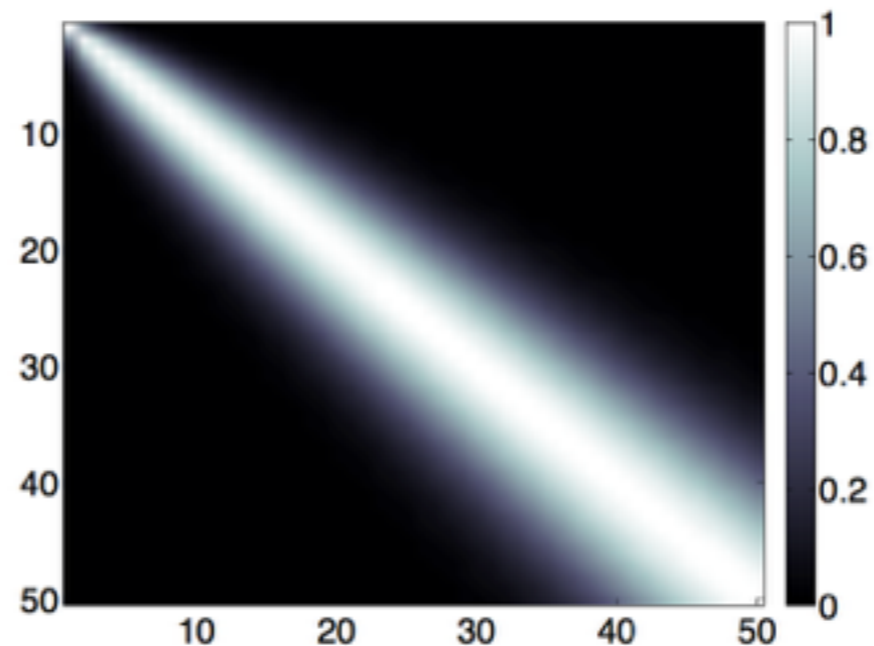
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## 2. Samples have different lengths

- When  $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $k_{GA} \rightarrow I_p$
- When  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ ,  $k_{GA}(X_i, X_j) \rightarrow D(|X_i|, |X_j|)$

# Diagonal Dominance

- problem arises when length varies and  $\lambda$  tends to 0
- $n$  sequences with length 1 to  $n$



- Empirically: for  $\lambda \approx 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{n}{m} \leq 2$



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# Positive Definiteness

- if  $\kappa$  is p.d. what about  $k_{GA}$ ?

- mapping kernels: 
$$k(x, y) = \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in M(x, y)} \kappa_l(x_i, y_i)$$

$\kappa$  is a local kernel on substructures of  $x, y$

$M$  is a mapping set



# GA kernels as Mapping kernels

- if  $\kappa$  is p.d. what about  $k_{GA}$ ?

**we don't know**

- For GA kernels:  $\kappa_l(x_{\pi_1}, y_{\pi_2}) = \prod_{i=1}^{|\pi|} \kappa(x_{\pi_1(i)}, y_{\pi_2(i)})$

$$M_{GA}(x, y) = \{(x_{\pi_1}, y_{\pi_2}) \mid \pi = (\pi_1, \pi_2) \in A(n, m)\}$$

- Theorem 1:  $k_{GA}$  is p.d. if and only if  $M$  is transitive

$$(x_i, y_i) \in M(x, y), (y_i, z_i) \in M(y, z) \Rightarrow (x_i, z_i) \in M(x, z)$$

- Lemma 1:  $M_{GA}$  is not transitive



# Constraints on $\kappa$

- Theorem 2: If  $\kappa$  is p.d. and  $\frac{\kappa}{1 + \kappa}$  is p.d.,  $k_{GA}$  is p.d.
- Geometric Divisibility (g.d.):
  - mapping  $\tau(x) = \frac{x}{1 + x} : R_+ \rightarrow [0, 1)$
  - inverse mapping  $\tau^{-1}(x) = \frac{x}{1 - x} : [0, 1) \rightarrow R_+$
  - $f$  is g.d. if  $\tau f$  is p.d.
- Lemma 2: If  $\kappa$  is g.d. then  $k_{GA}$  is p.d.



# Constraints on $\kappa$

- Infinite divisibility (i.d.):  $\kappa$  is i.d. iff  $-\log(\kappa)$  is n.d.
- Lemma 3: For any i.d. kernel  $\kappa$  s.t.  $0 < \kappa < 1$ ,  $\tau^{-1}\kappa$  is g.d. and i.d.
- how to construct a local kernel?
- Example: Gaussian kernel,  $\kappa_\sigma$ , is i.d., thus  $\tau^{-1}\left(\frac{\kappa_\sigma}{2}\right)$  is i.d. and g.d.  
Also,  $\varphi = -\log\left(\tau^{-1}\left(\frac{\kappa_\sigma}{2}\right)\right)$  is n.d. and we set  $\kappa = e^{-\lambda\varphi}$



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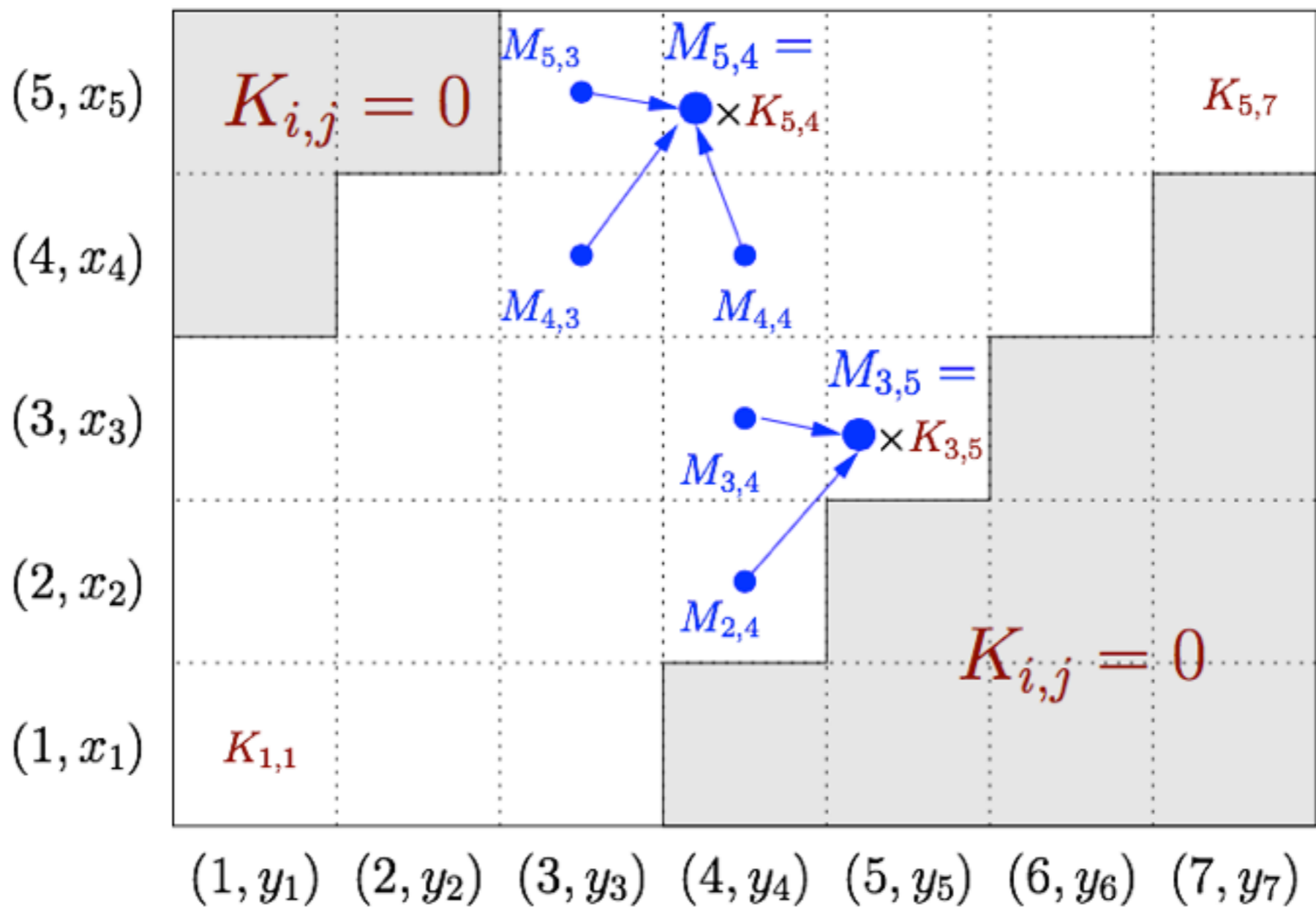


# Time Complexity

- DTW time complexity:  $O(dnm)$
- What to do?
- Ignore “bad” alignments - keep alignments close to the diagonal:

$$D_{x,y}^{\gamma}(\pi) = \sum_{i=1}^{|\pi|} \gamma_{\pi_1(i), \pi_2(i)} \cdot \varphi(x_{\pi_1(i)}, y_{\pi_2(i)})$$

$$\gamma_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 1, & |i - j| < T \\ \infty, & |i - j| \geq T \end{cases}$$



$$M_{i,j} = \kappa(x_i, y_j)(M_{i-1,j-1} + M_{i,j-1} + M_{i-1,j})$$

$$(2T - 1) \cdot \min(n, m) - T(T - 1)/2 \Rightarrow O(2T \min(n, m))$$



# Triangular GA Kernels

- if  $\kappa$  is infinite divisible, and  $\omega$  is a p.d. kernel in  $\mathbb{N}$ , then  $\tau^{-1}(\omega \otimes \kappa)$  as a local kernel gives a p.d. GA kernel

- common choice for  $\omega$ :

$$\omega(i, j) = \left(1 - \frac{|i - j|}{T}\right)_+$$

- Example:  $\tau^{-1}(\omega \otimes \frac{1}{2}\kappa_\sigma)(i, x; j, y) = \frac{\omega(i, j)\kappa(x, y)}{2 - \omega(i, j)\kappa(x, y)}$

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# Kernels to compare

- DTW:  $k_{DTW} = e^{-\frac{1}{t}DTW}$
- DTW SC:  $k_{SC} = e^{-\frac{1}{t}DTW_{SC}}$   
$$DTW_{SC}(x, y) = \min_{\pi \in A(n, m)} D_{x, y}^{\gamma}(\pi)$$
- DTAK:  $(k_{DTAK}(x, y))^{\frac{1}{t}}$   
$$k_{DTAK}(x, y) = \max_{\pi \in A(n, m)} \sum_{i=1}^{|\pi|} \kappa_{\sigma}(x_{\pi_1(i)}, y_{\pi_2(i)})$$
- GA:  $\kappa = e^{-\log(\tau^{-1}(\frac{1}{2}\kappa_{\sigma}))}$
- TGA:  $\kappa = \tau^{-1}(\omega \otimes \frac{1}{2}\kappa_{\sigma})$

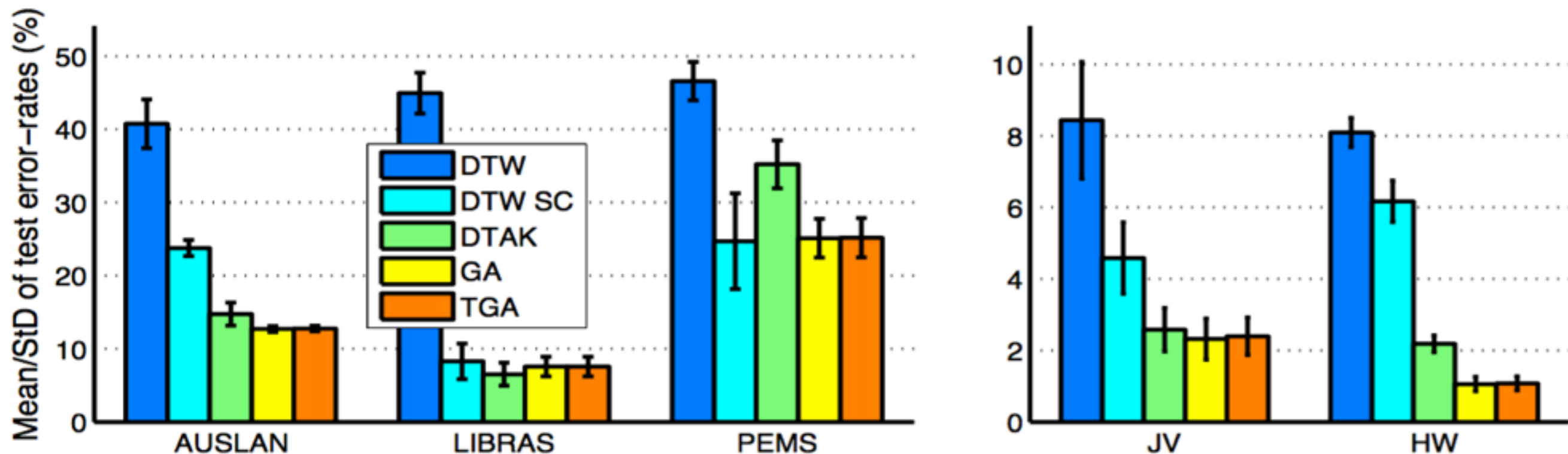


# Datasets

Database	$d$	$n$ range, $\text{med}(n)$	classes	# points
Japanese Vowels	12	7-29, 15	9	640
Libras	2	45	15	945
Handwritten Characters	3	60-182, 122	20	2858
AUSLAN	22	45-136, 55	95	2465
PEMS	963	144	7	440

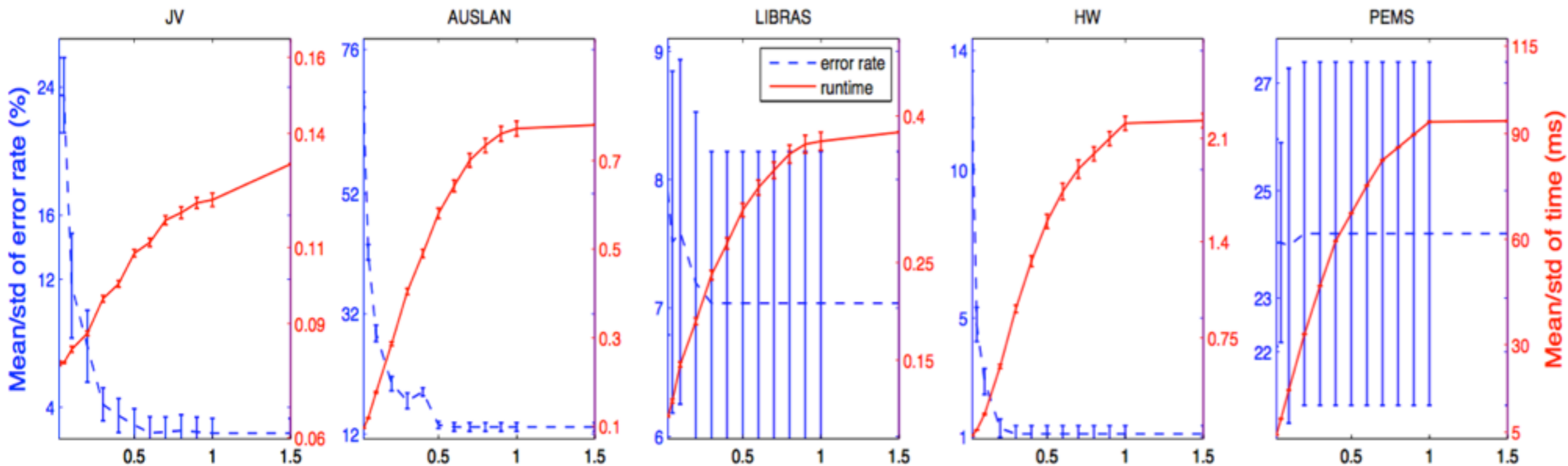


# Classification error rates





# Performance and speed





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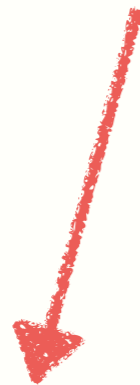
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PDS  
variable size

$$O(T \cdot \min(n, m))$$



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wide spectrum of  
alignments

DTW based