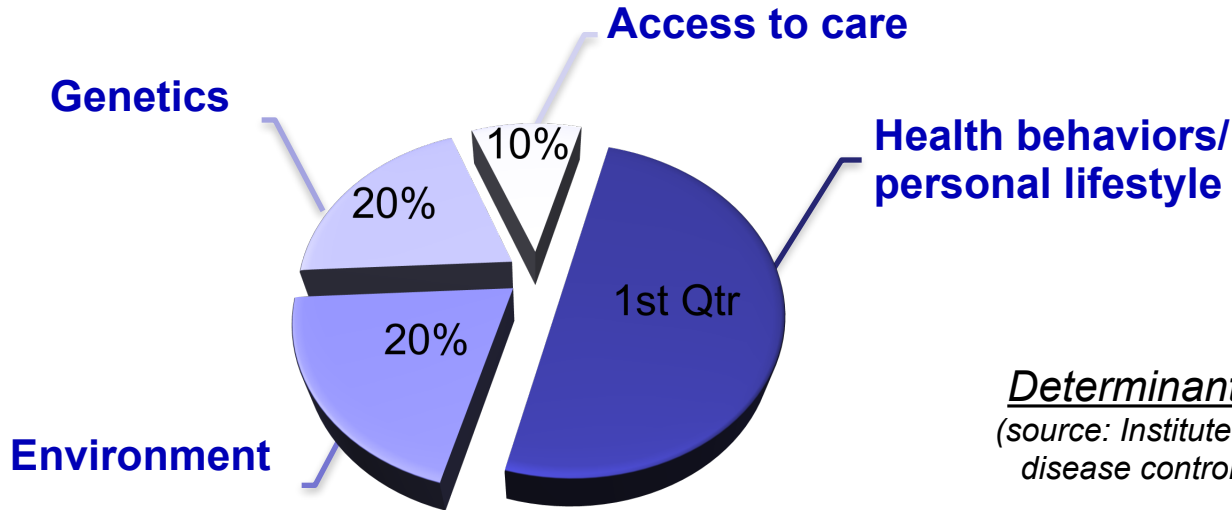


*Ultra-Low Power Design of
Multimodal Bio-Signal Wearable Systems*

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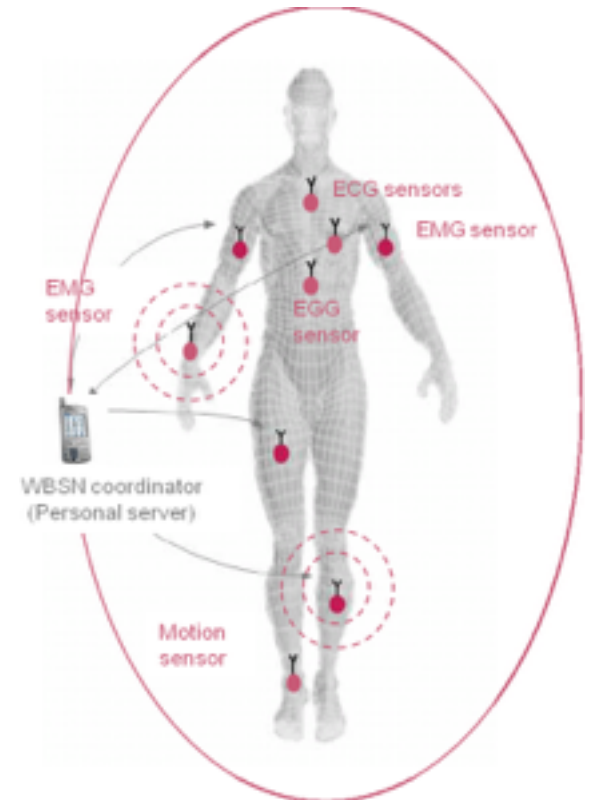


- The burden of disease is shifting from diseases caused by infectious organisms to disorders with behavioral causes
- 50% of all deaths worldwide in 2006 and economic fallout in billions... expected to be 75% of gross domestic product by 2030
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Symptom-based	→	Preventive healthcare
Hospital-centered sickcare	→	Person-centered healthcare

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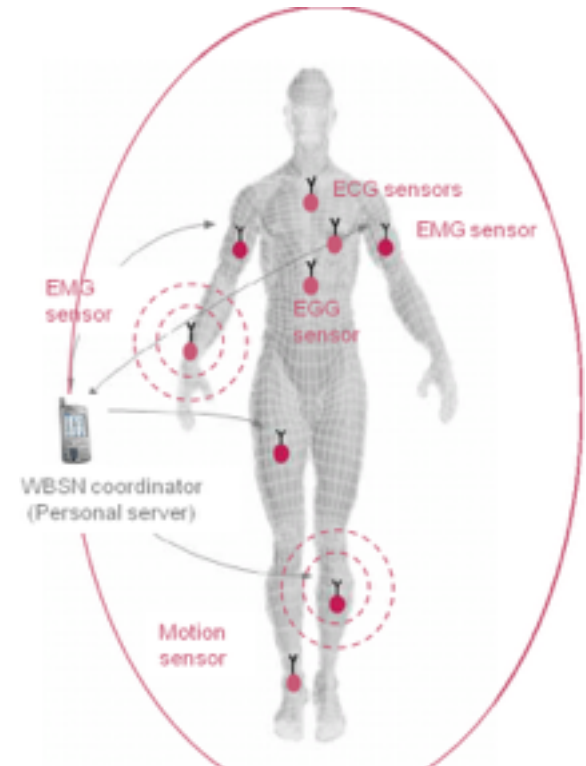
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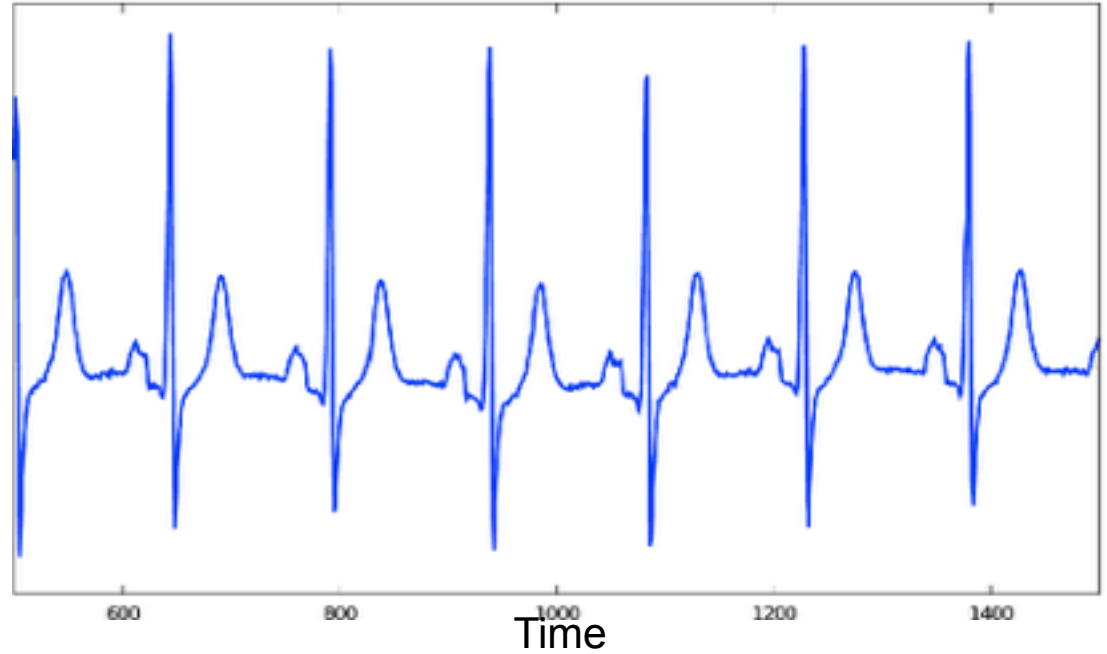
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Voltage



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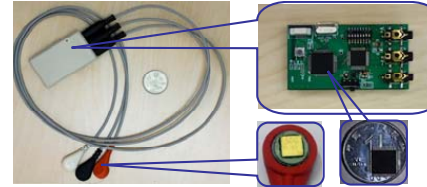
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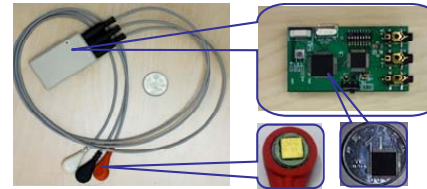
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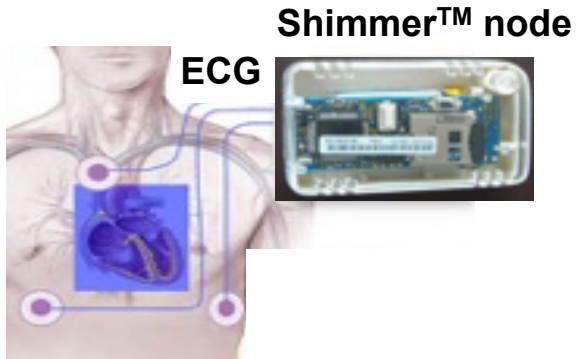


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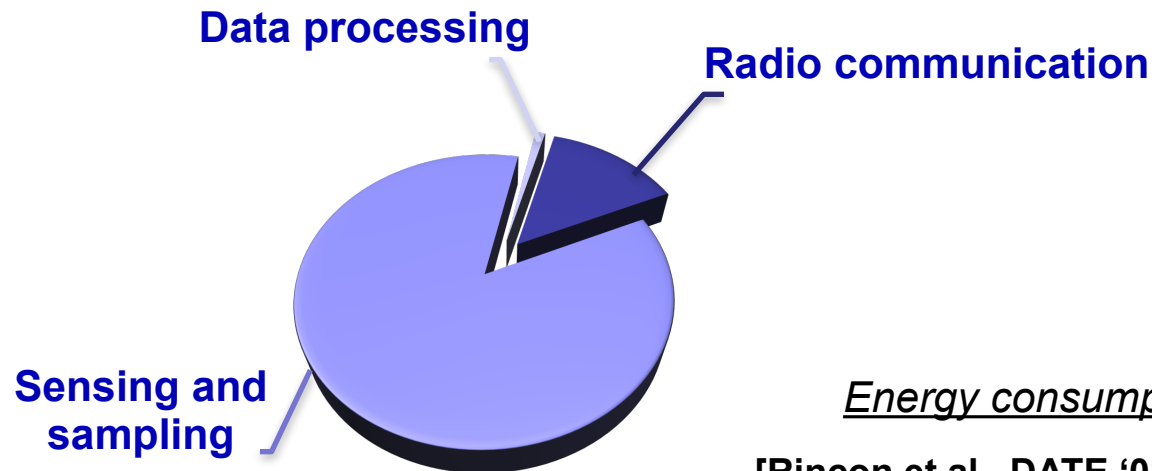


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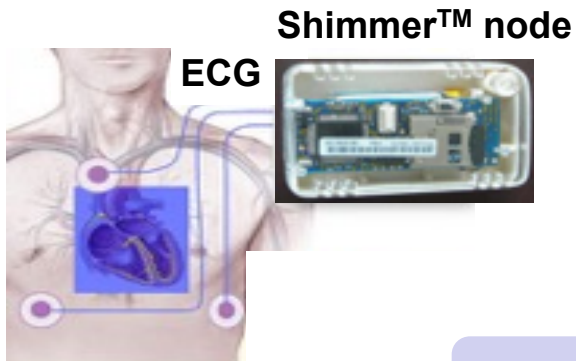
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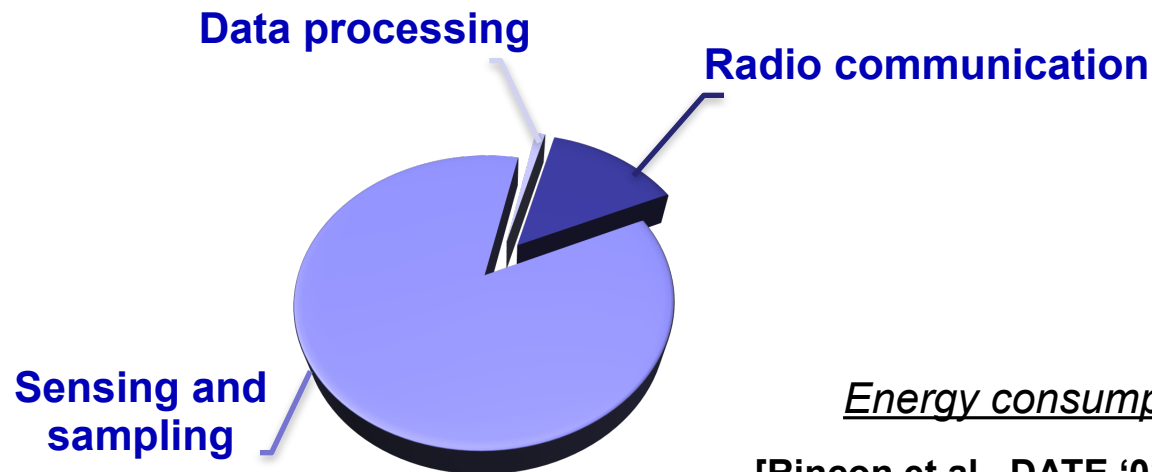
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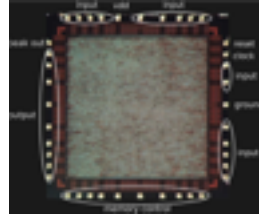
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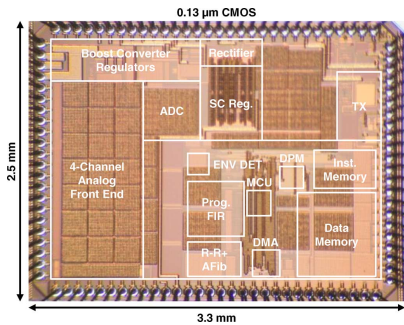
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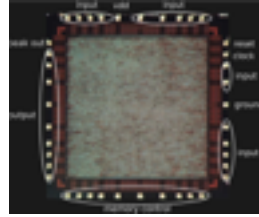


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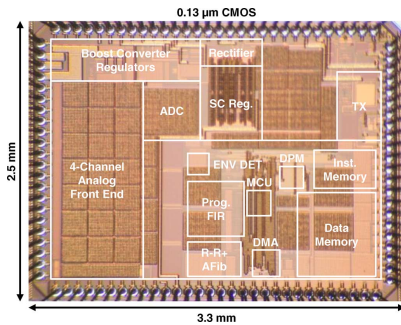
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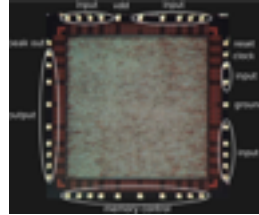
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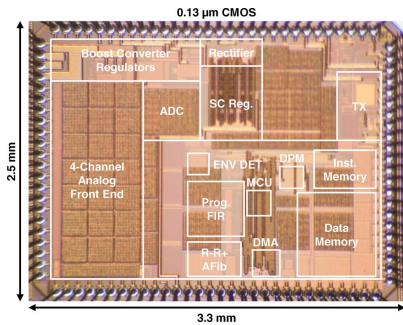
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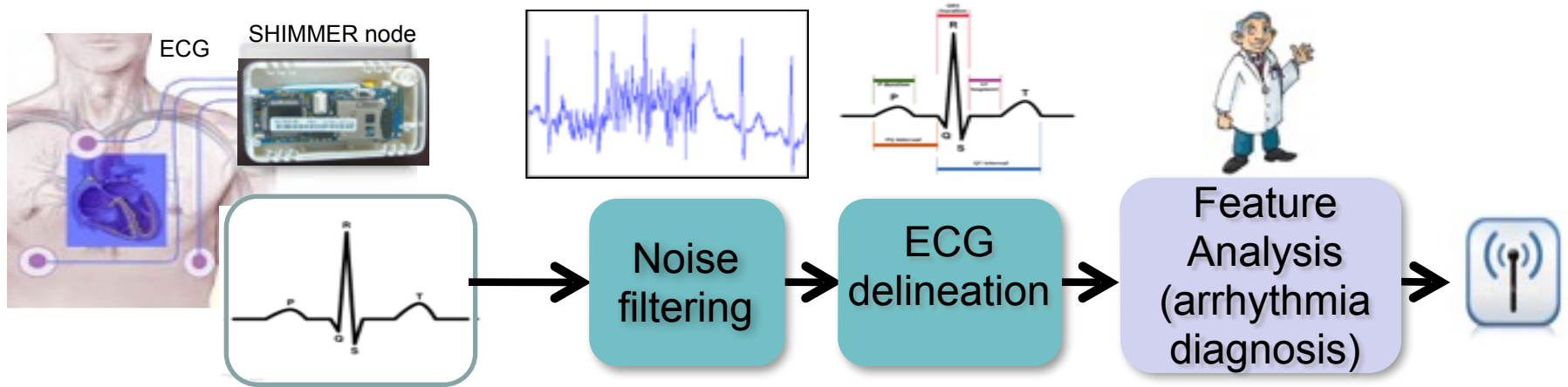
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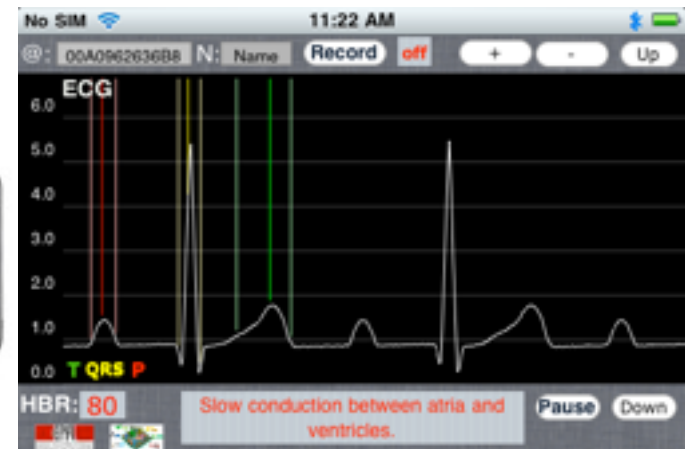
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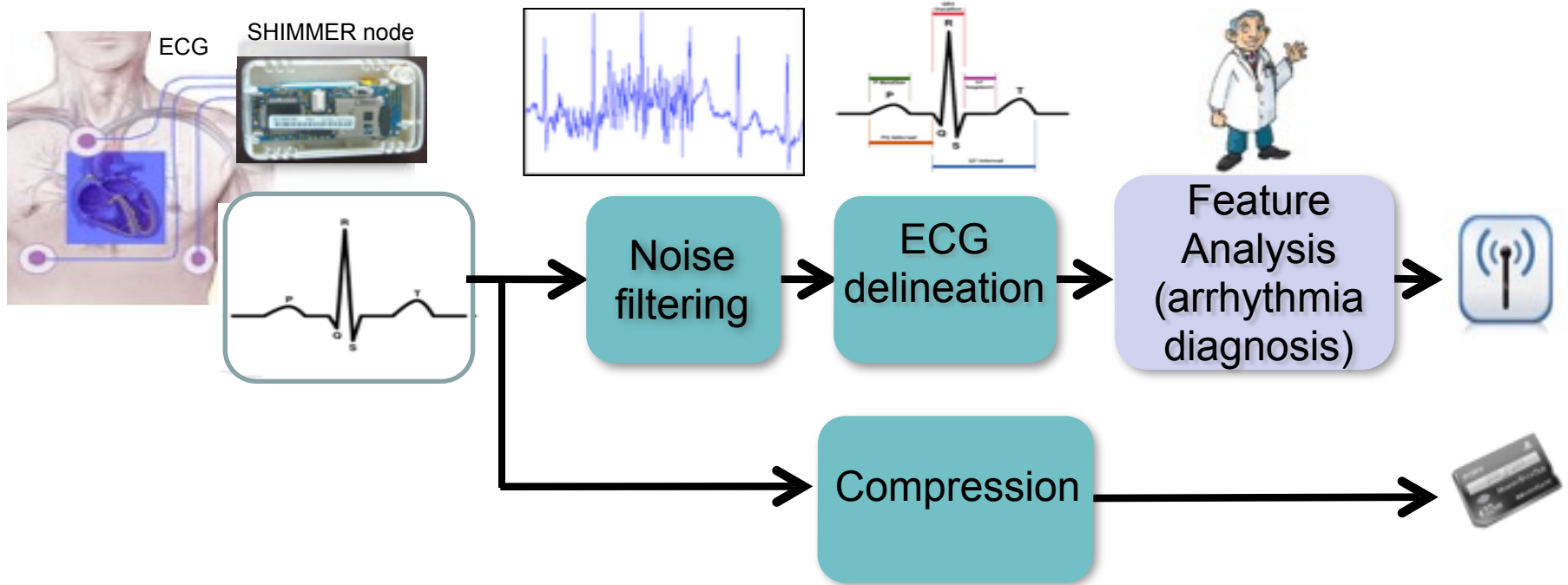
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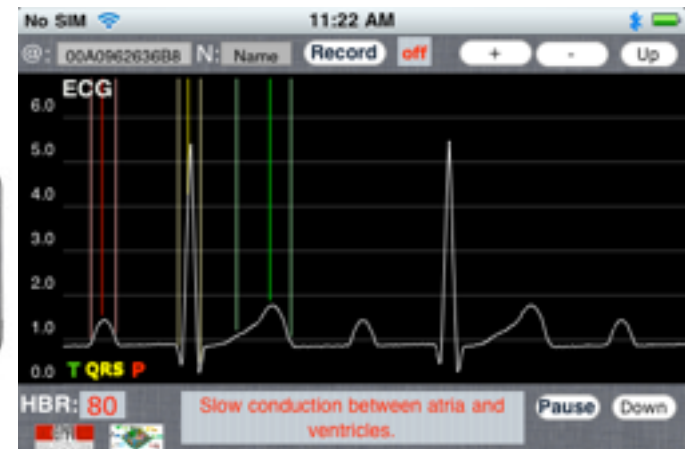
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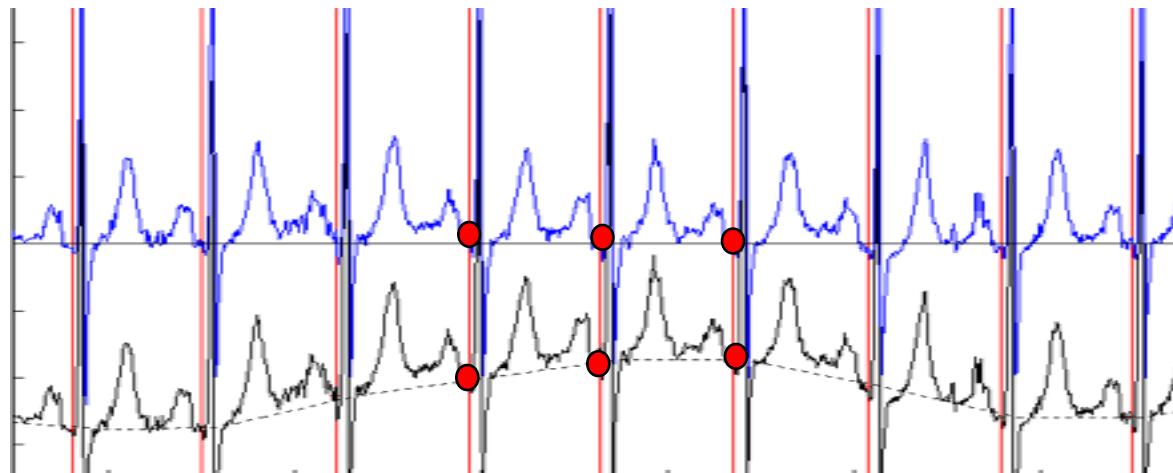
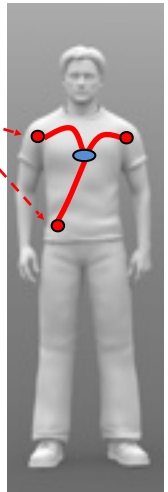
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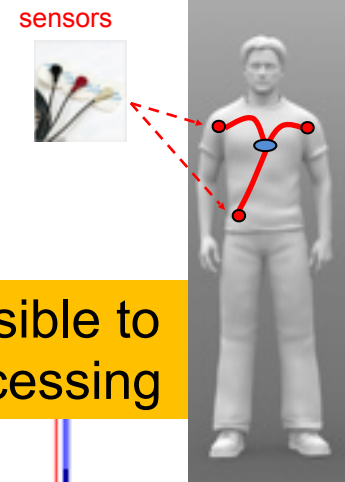
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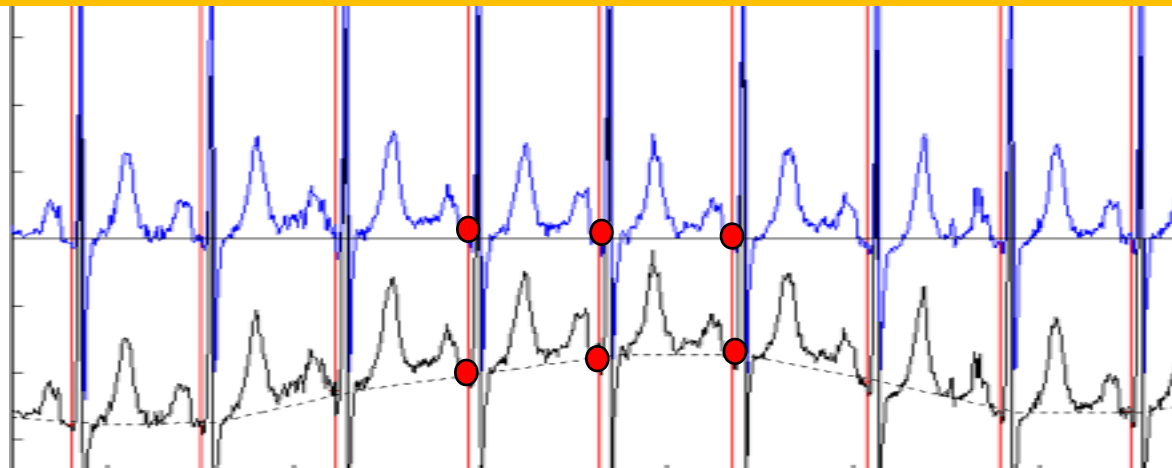
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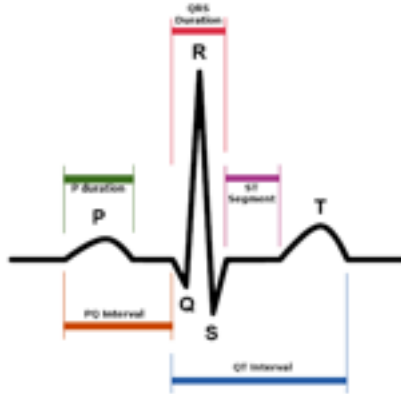
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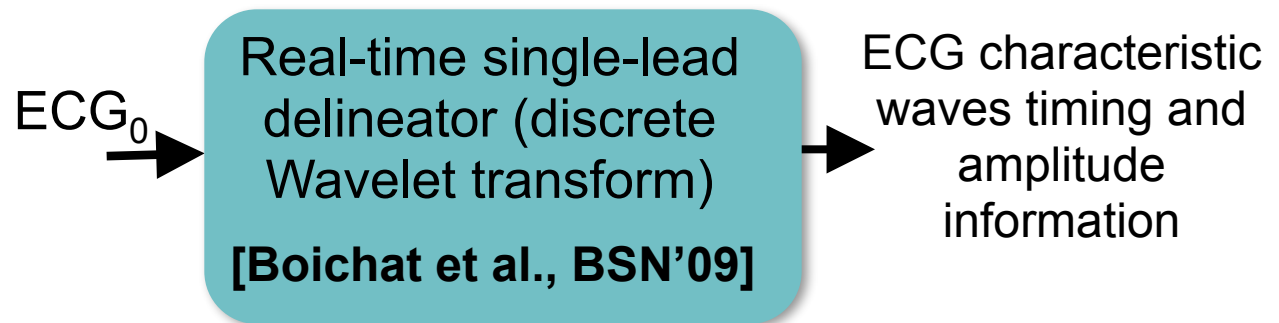
Moral of the story: knowing possible noise sources, possible to correct them with few sensors and “simple” signal processing



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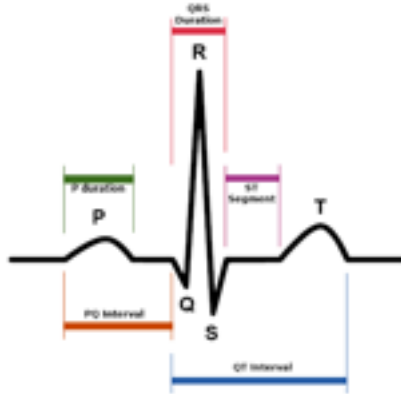


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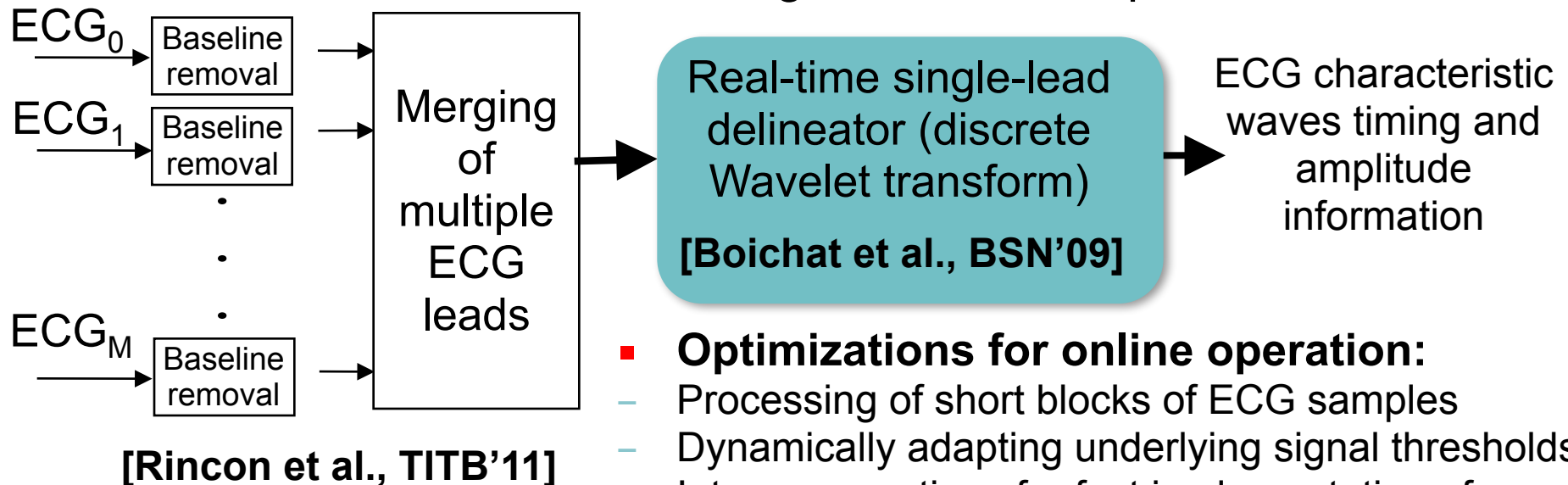


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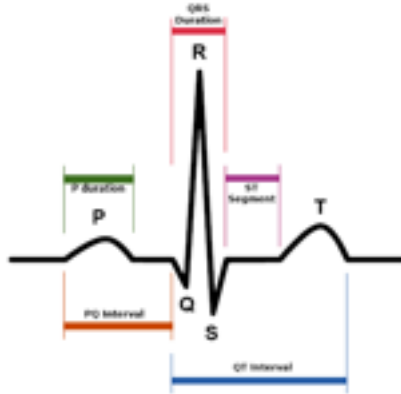
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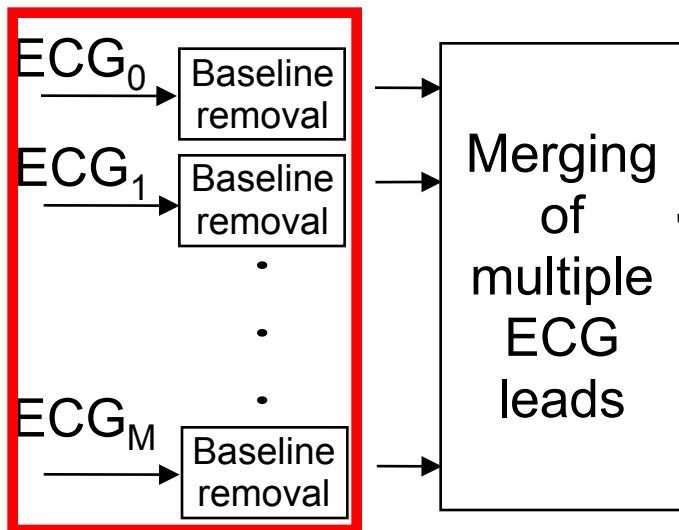
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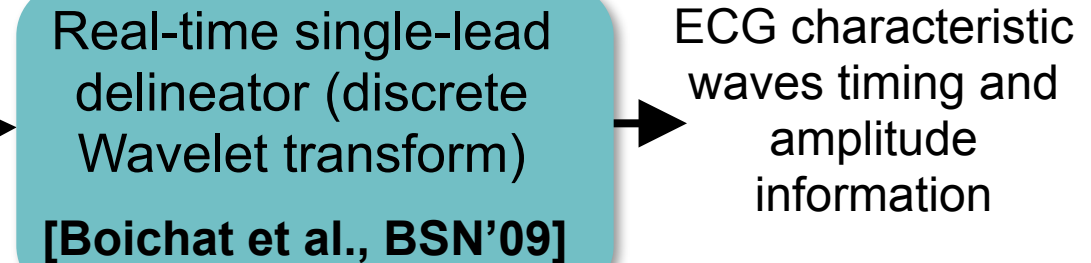


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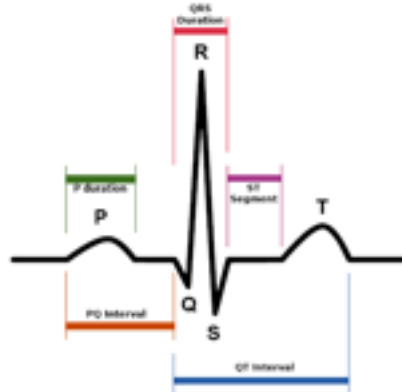


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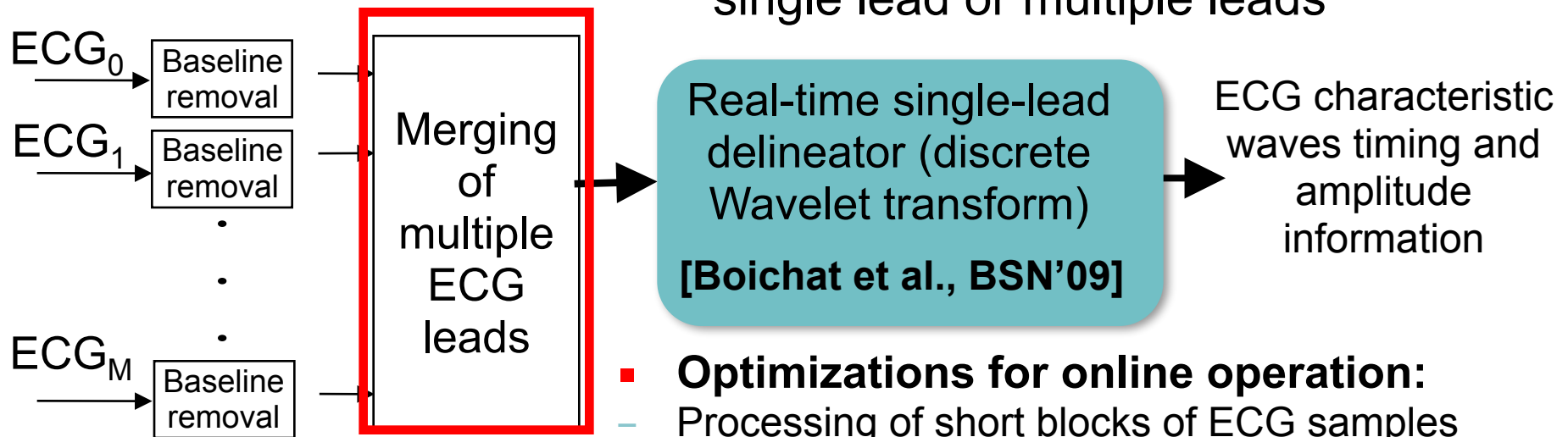
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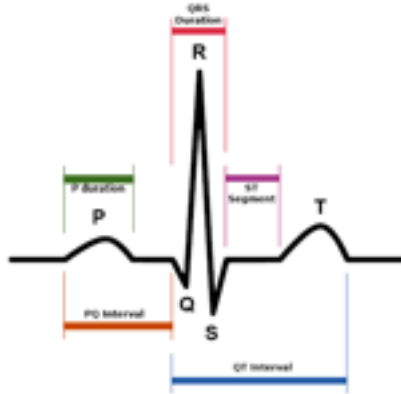
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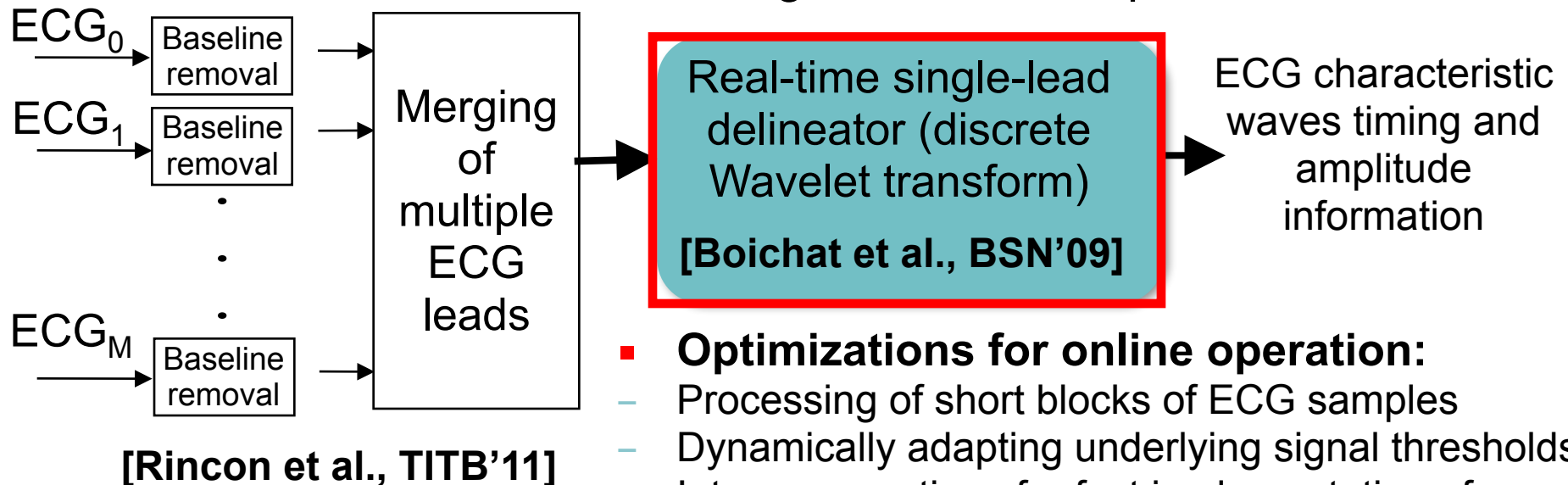
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ECG
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No issues of complexity or memory requirements, but need to develop **new adaptive classifiers** for each type of person

Biggest issue: Achieve efficient interaction with doctors!

See video at: <http://esl.epfl.ch/cms/lang/en/pid/46016>

A Real-Time Wavelet-Based Electrocardiogram Delineation System



- Real-time delineation demands limited requirements after careful algorithm optimization (computational load and memory footprint)

Algorithm	RAM usage	Buffers length	Execution time
Single-lead WT delineator	6.8 kBytes	512 elements	5%
Multi-lead WT delineator (morphological filter of baseline removal)	5.5 kBytes	256 elements	30.5% total (23% filtering, 2.5% multi-lead merging, 5% delineation)

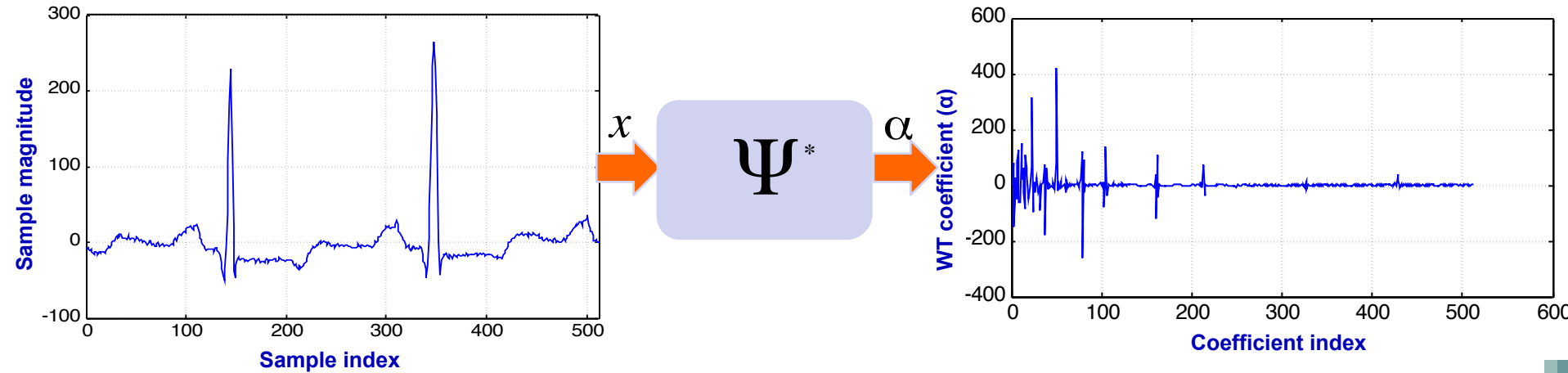
Execution of complex automatic ECG processing algorithms is possible

Small on-chip memory (10 kB) is the current limiting factor

Advanced on-chip processing gives real-time information about heart health with no impact on node lifetime: **more than 139 hours**

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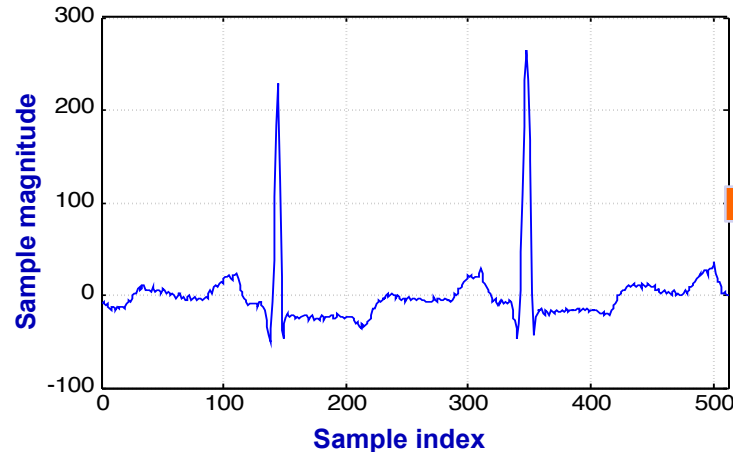
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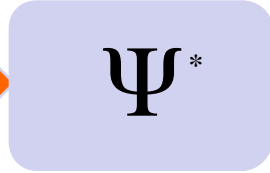
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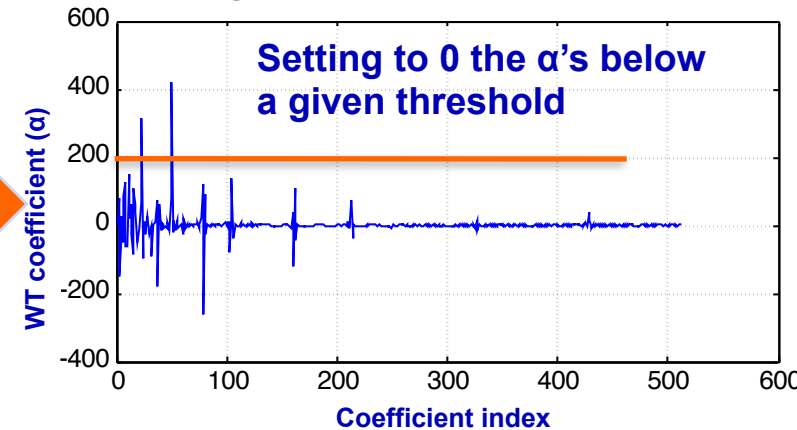
Thresholding-based DWT compression



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But can we create a “universally optimal” low-complexity compression scheme for ECG signals that works as well?

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**Measurement/Sensing matrix
(Gaussian random matrix)**

$$y_{M \times 1} = \Phi_{M \times N} \cdot x_{N \times 1}$$

Measurement vector

Original ECG vector

- Then, α can be recovered by solving the convex optimization problem:

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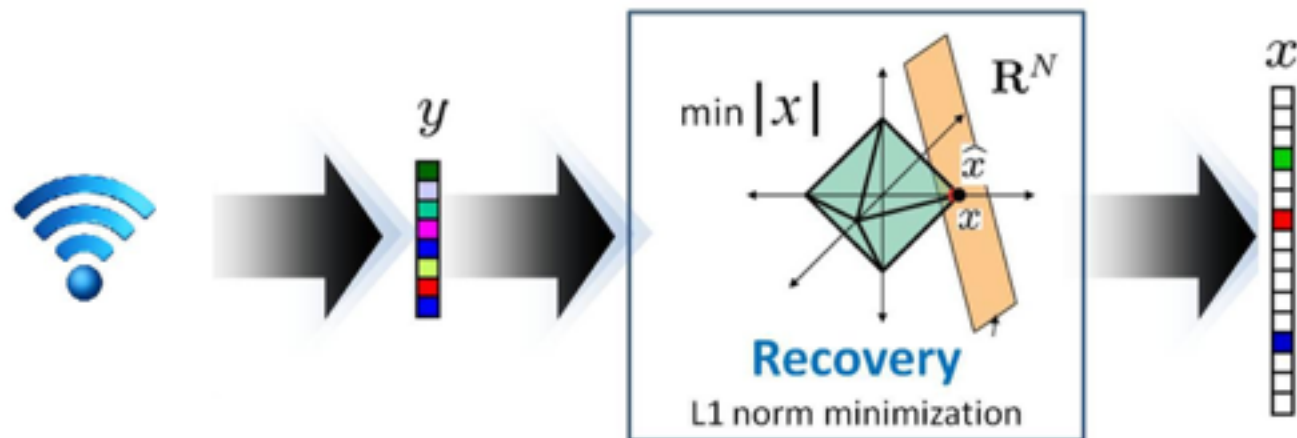
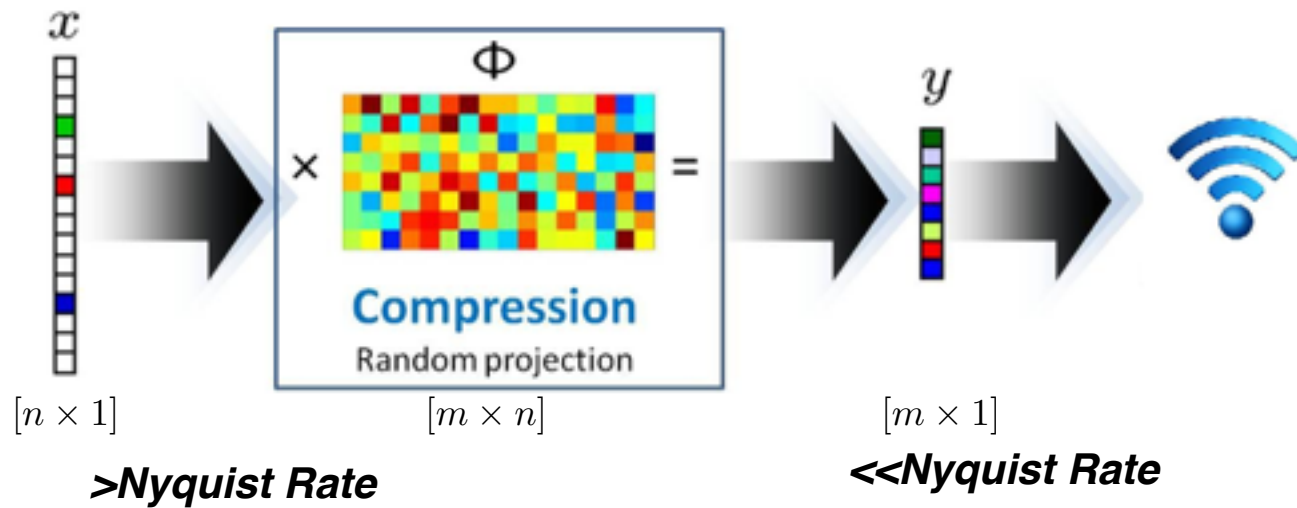
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CS is attractive for real-time ECG compression on resource-constrained WBSN, but what about biosignal degradation due to CS reconstruction (in real-time)?

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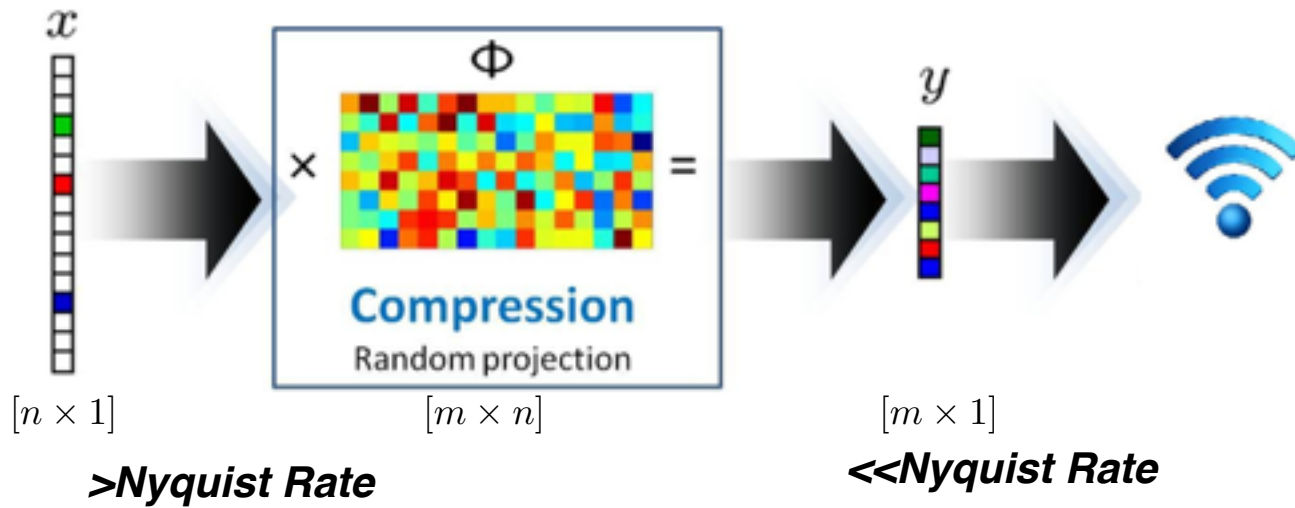
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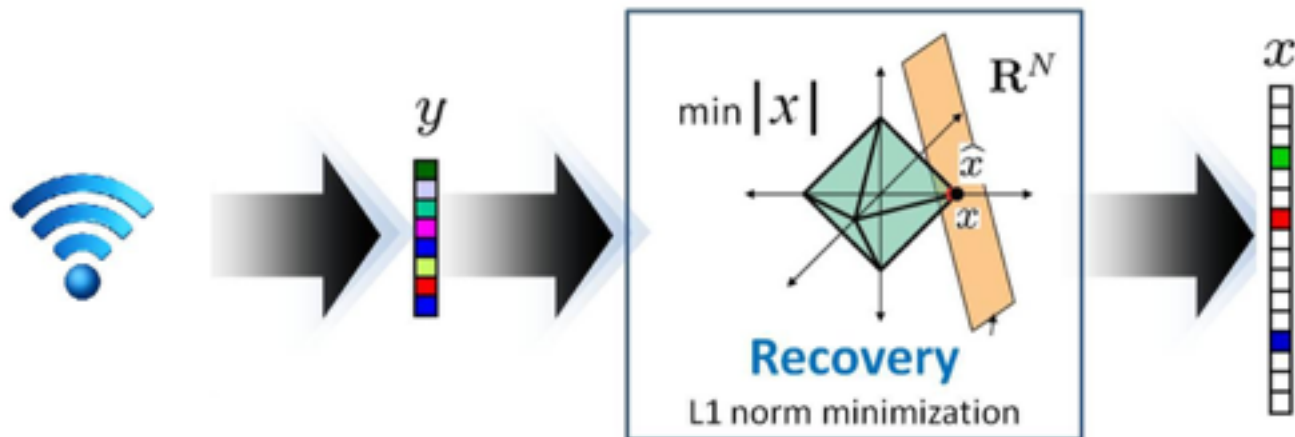


Compressed Sensing

Simple Encoder



Complex decoder



Database, performance metrics and comparison

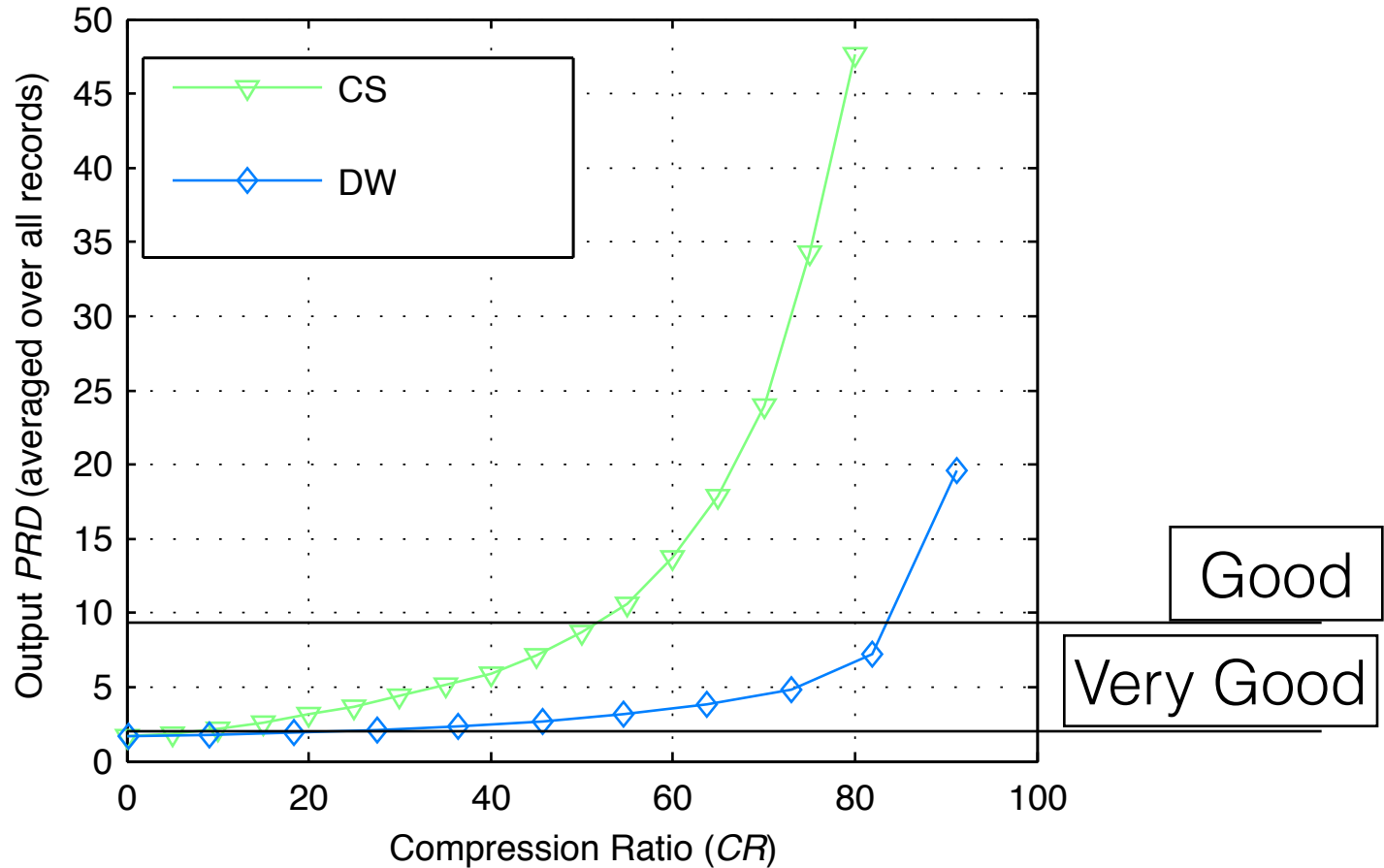
- MIT-BIH Arrhythmia database:
 - Contains 48 half-hour excerpts of two-channel ambulatory ECG recordings
 - Reference database for ECG compression studies
- Percentage Root Mean Square Difference (PRD) is defined as:

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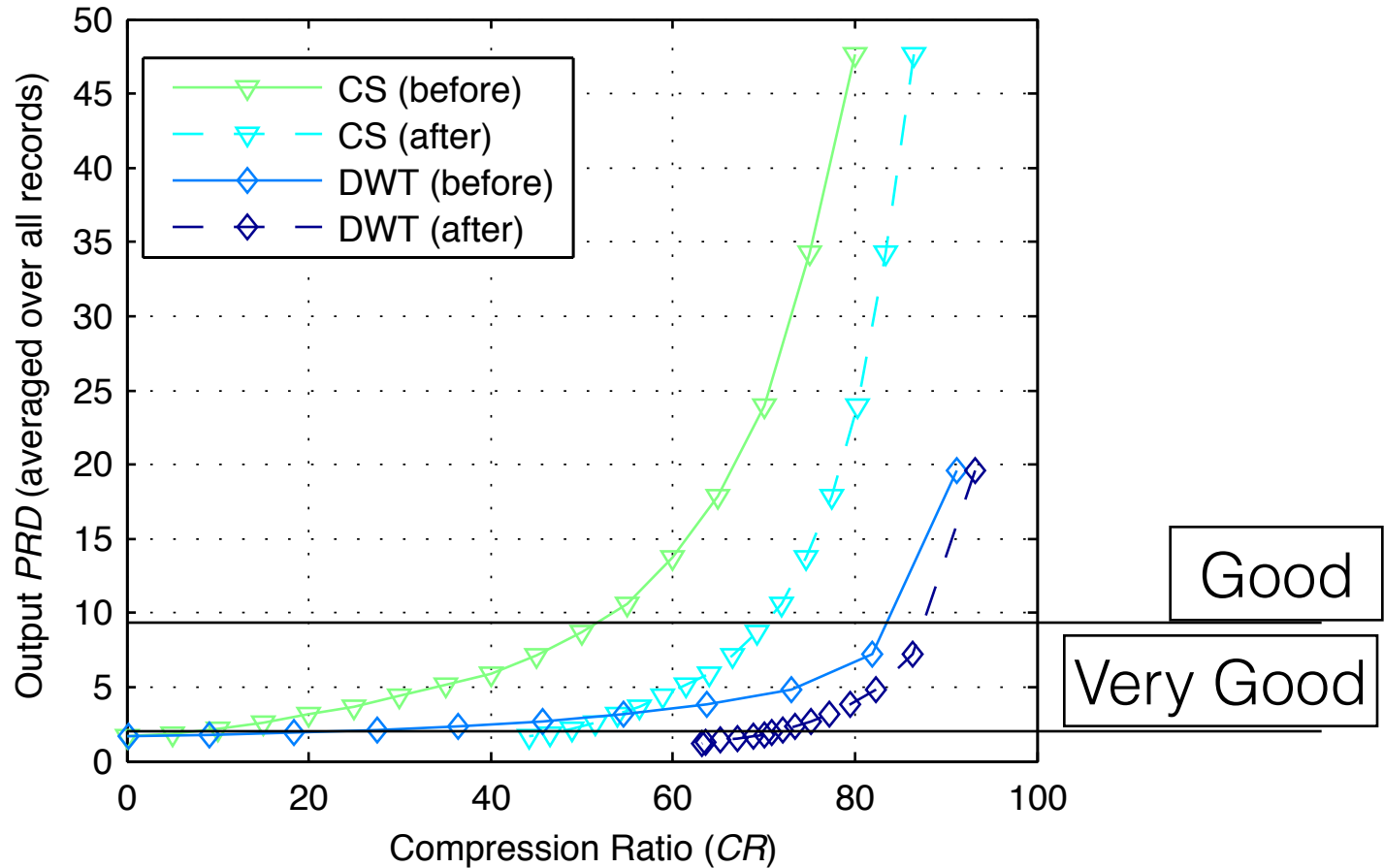
$$SNR = -20 \log_{10} (0.01 PRD)$$

PRD	Reconstructed Signal Quality
0 ~ 2%	"Very good" quality
2 ~ 9%	"Very good" or "good" quality
9% <	Not possible to determine the quality group

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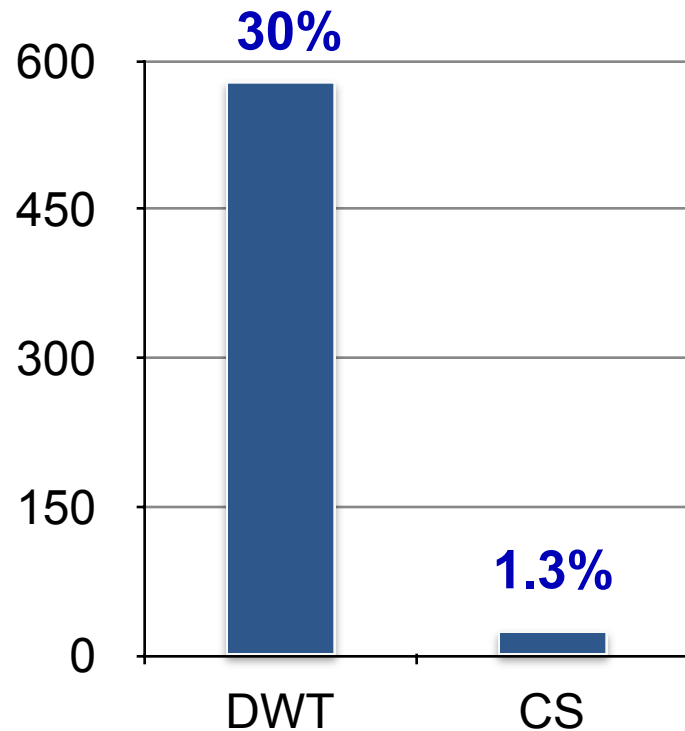


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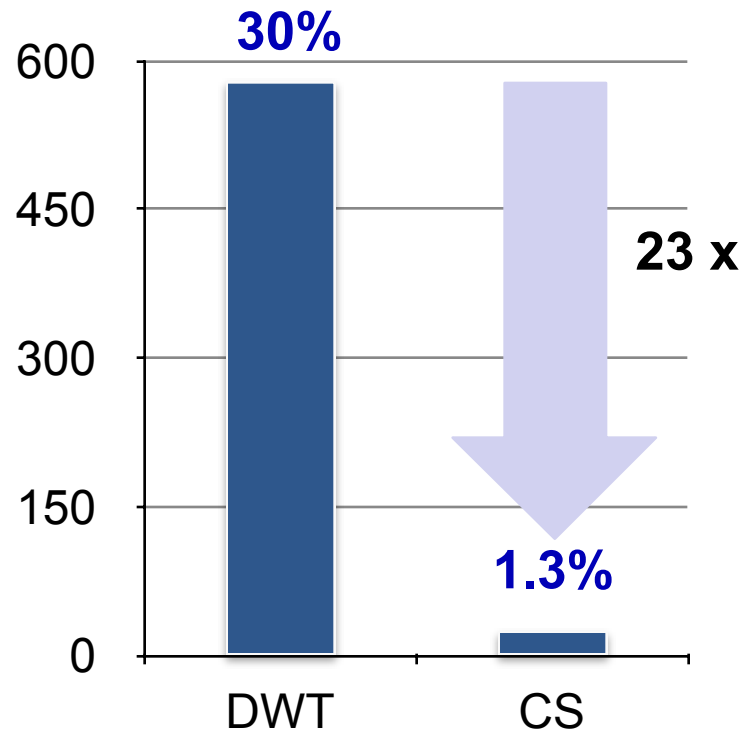
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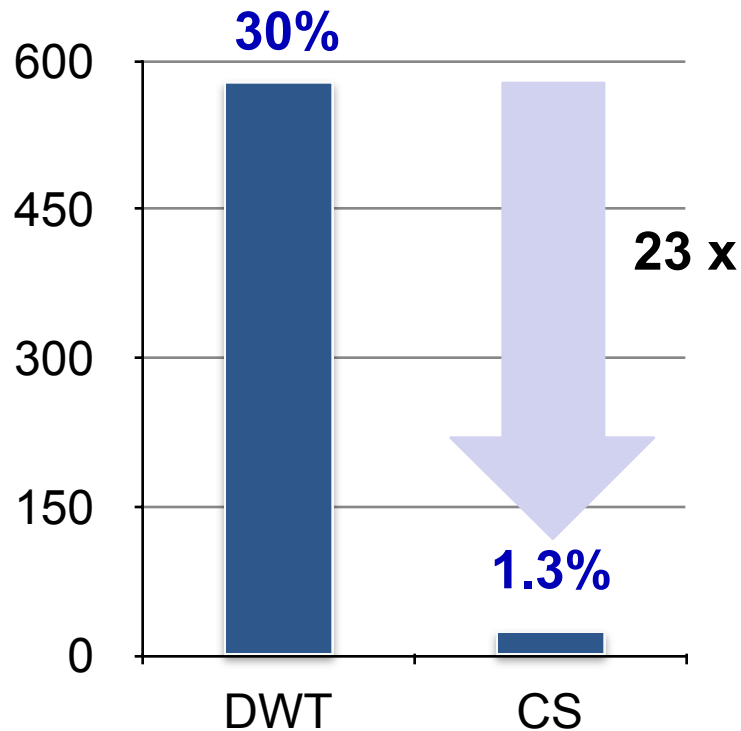
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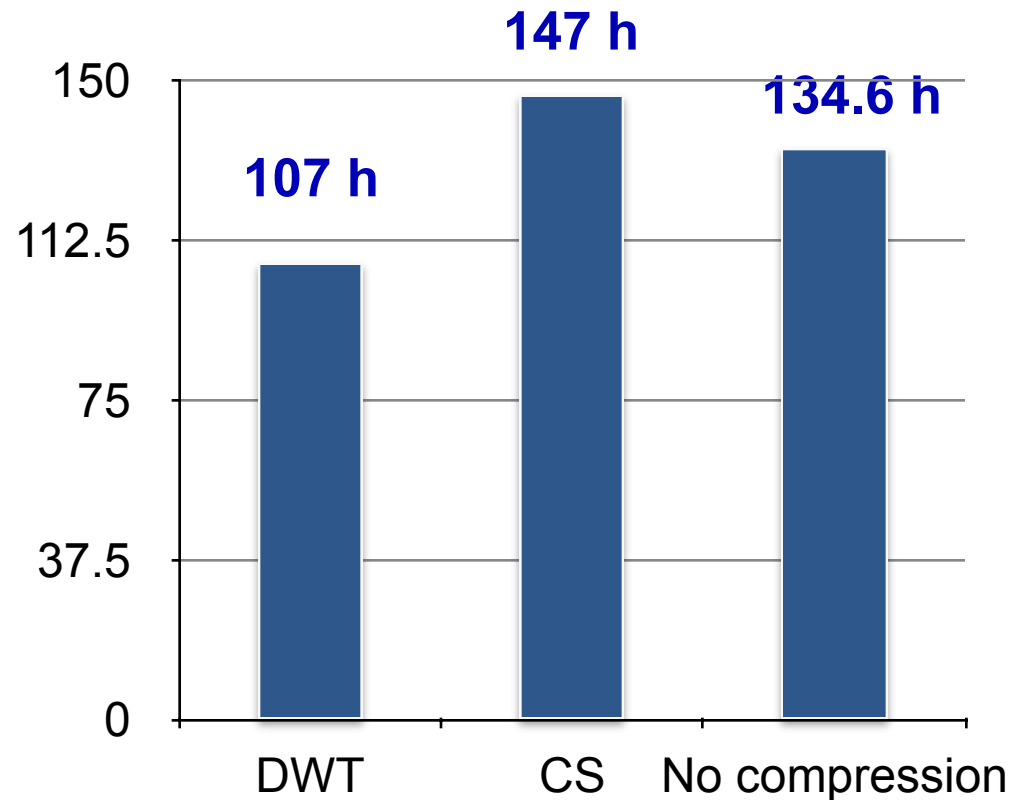


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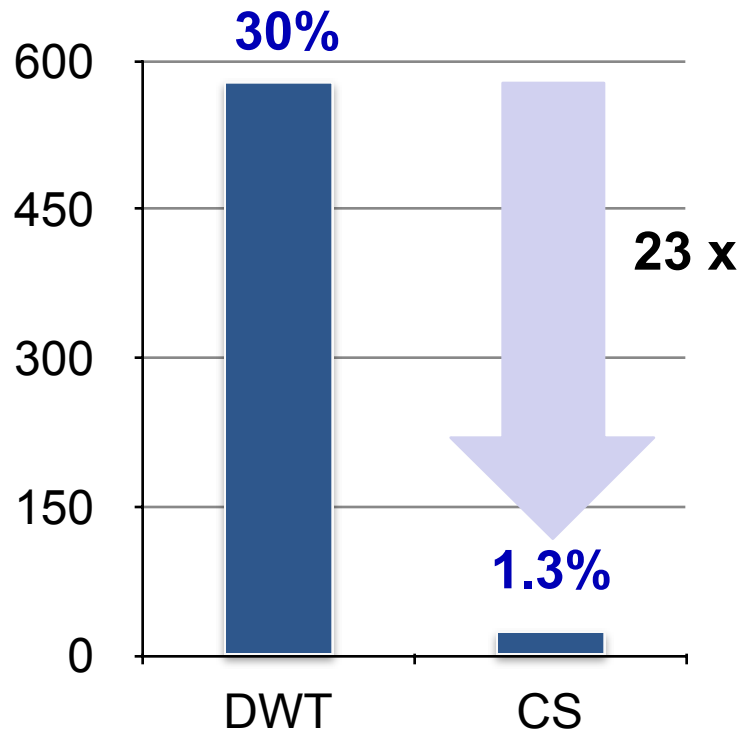


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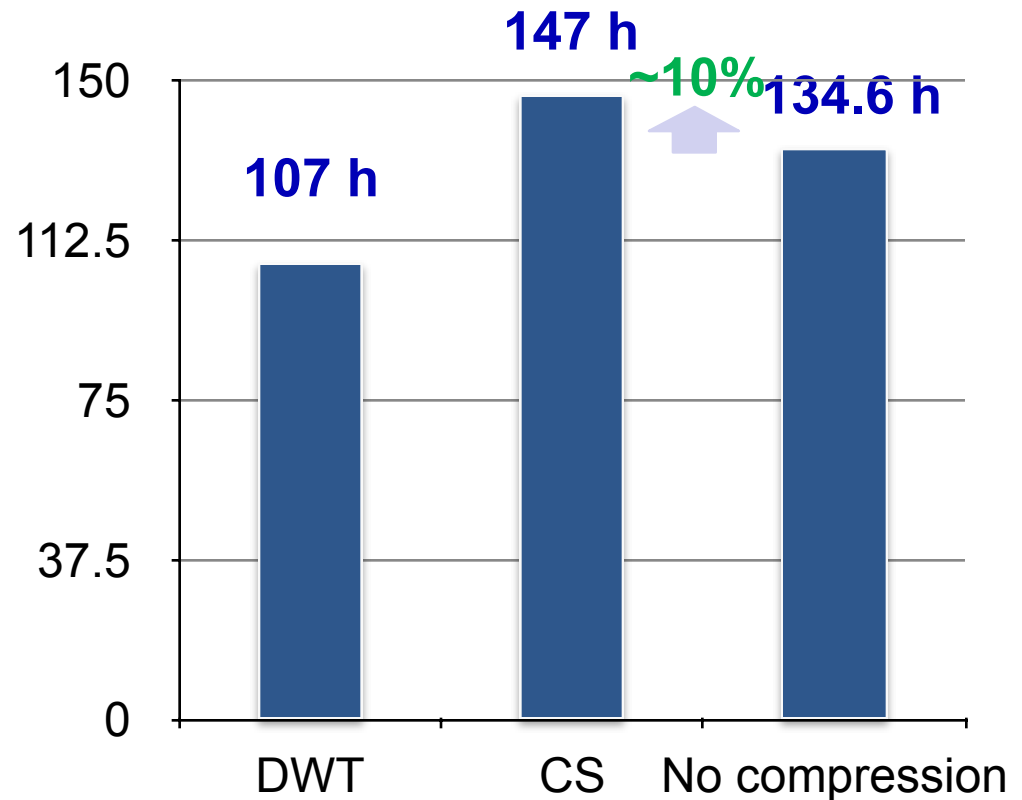


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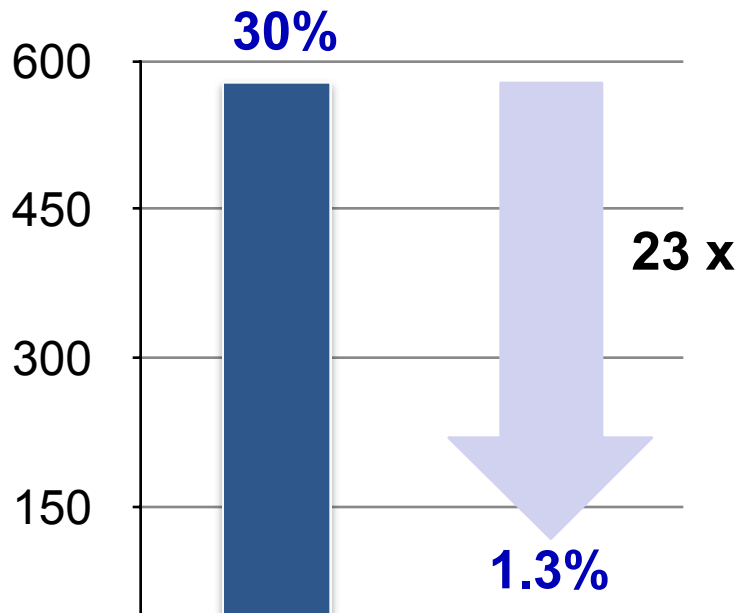


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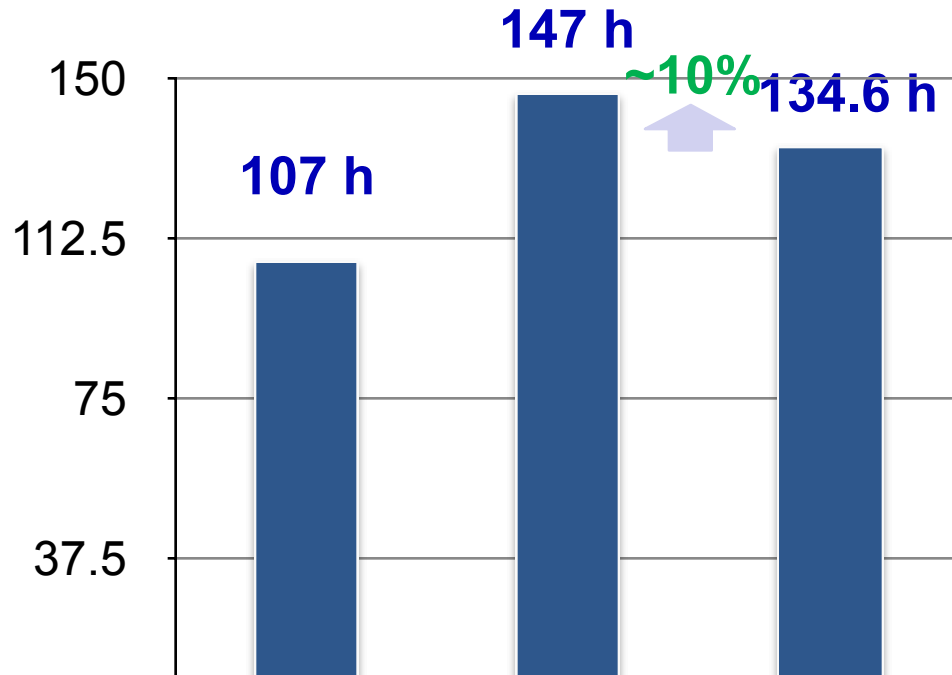


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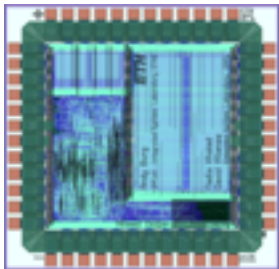
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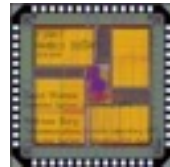
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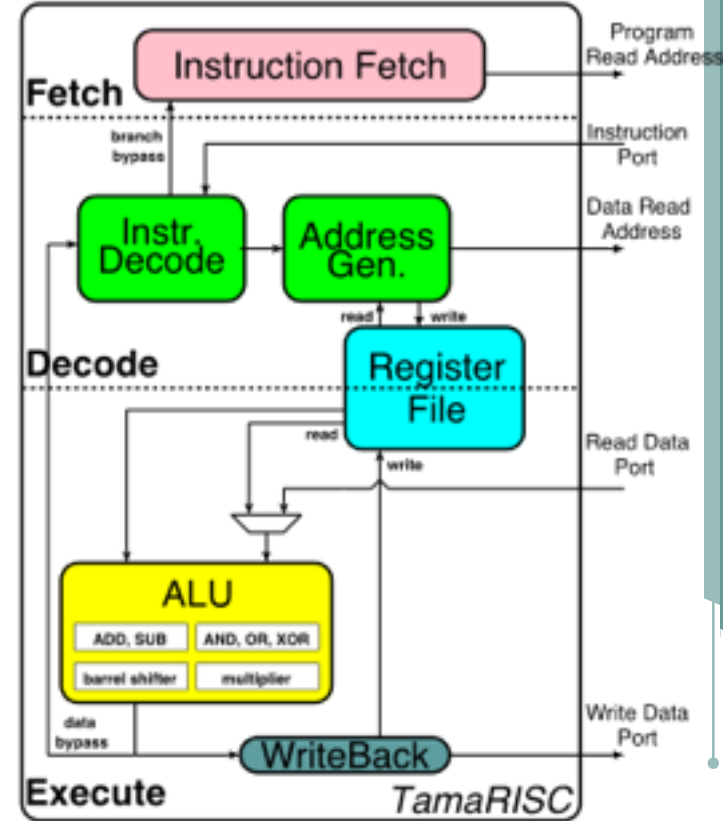
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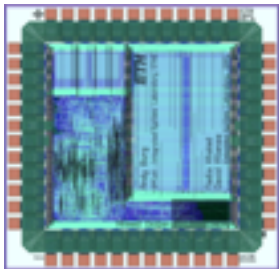
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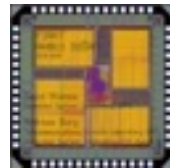
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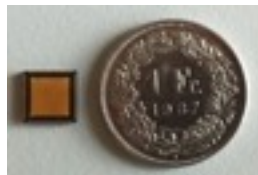
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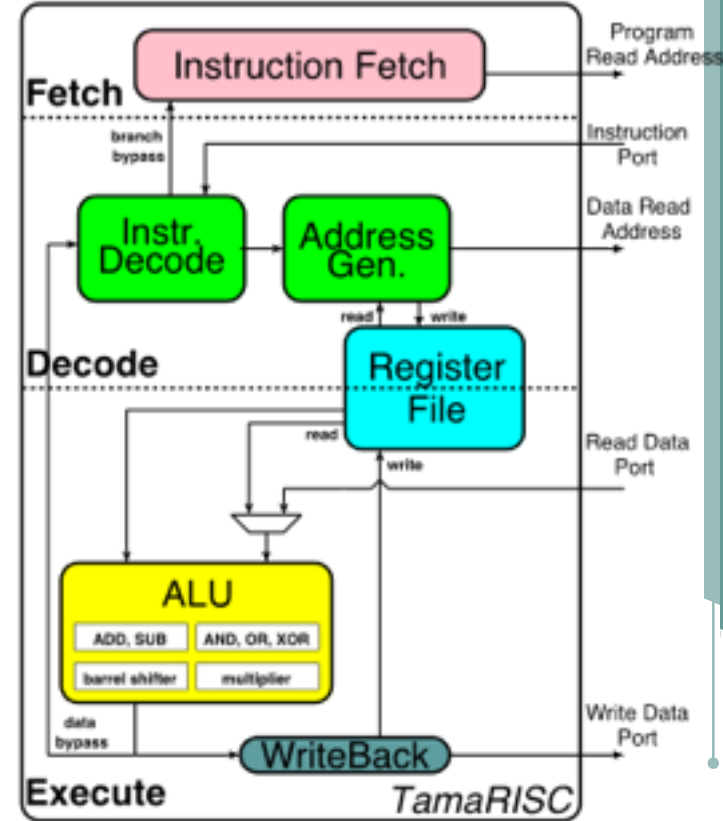
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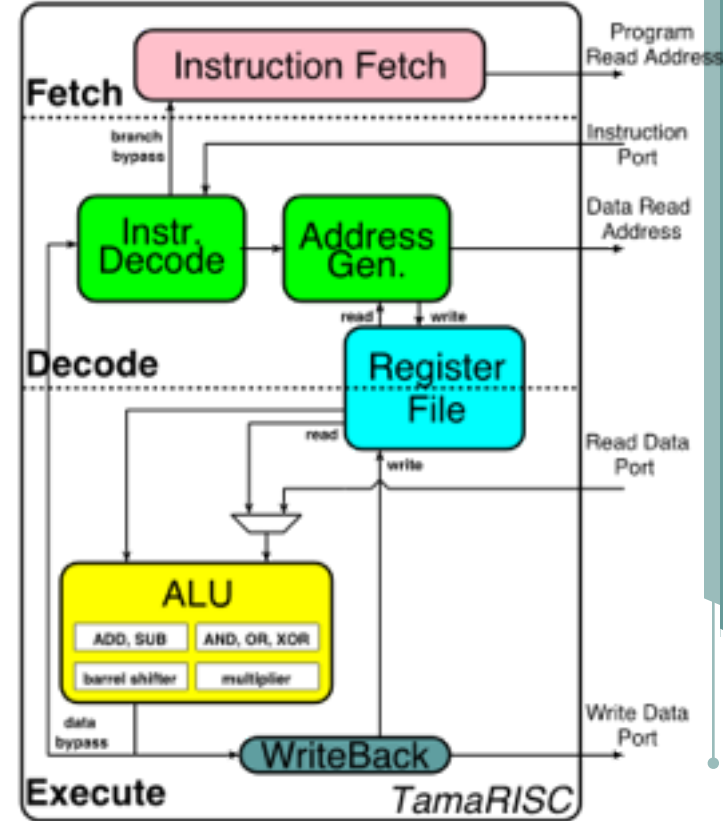
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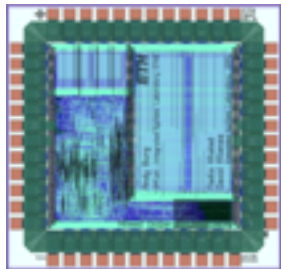
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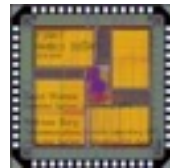
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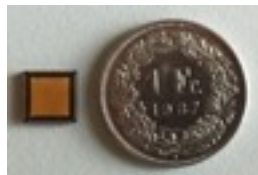
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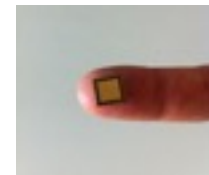
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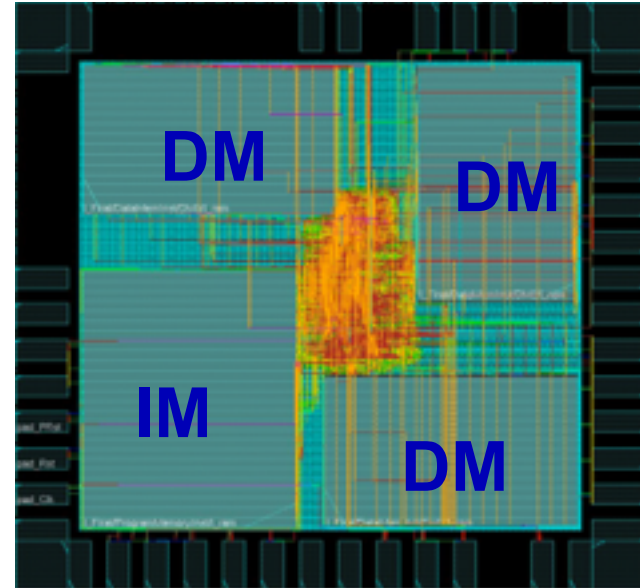
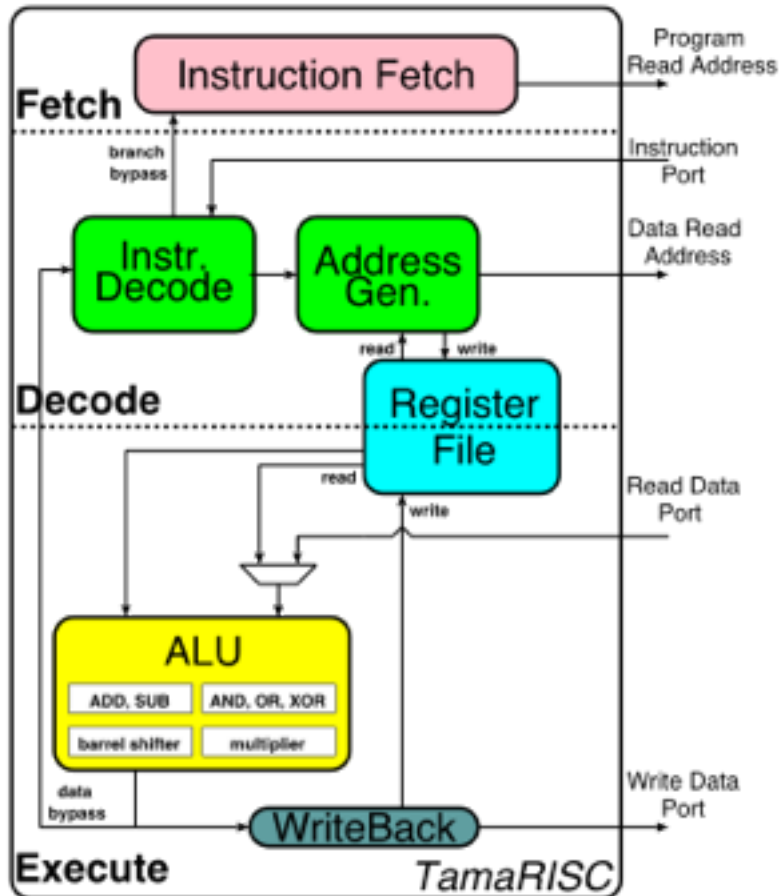
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... And on a finger tip!

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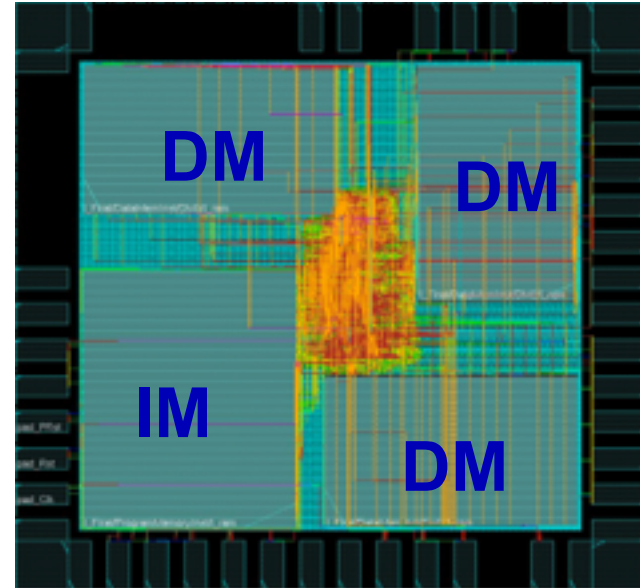
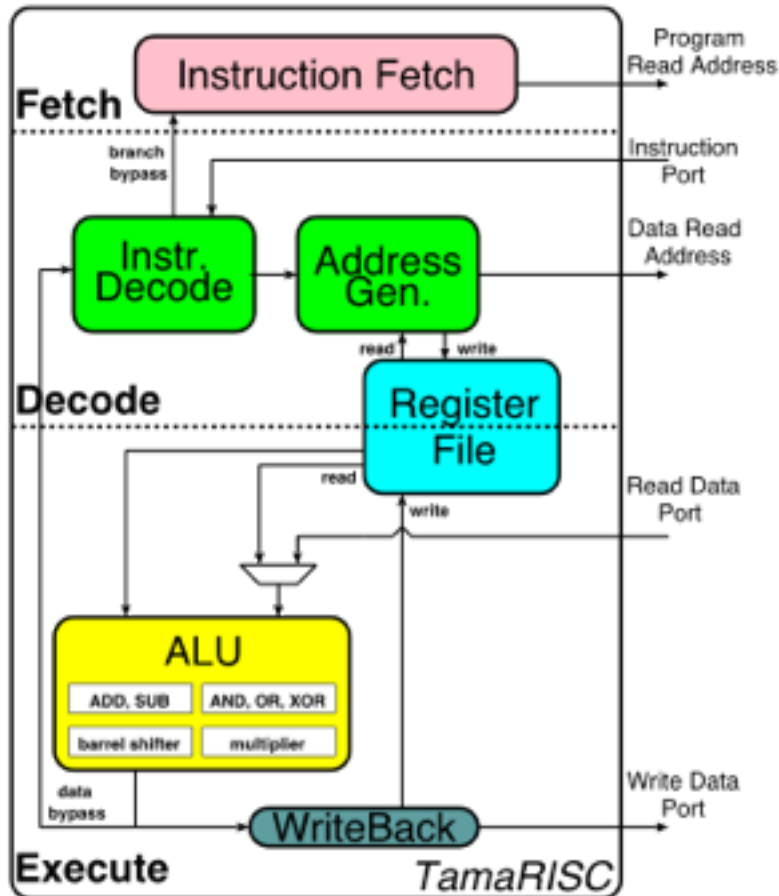
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- Low-voltage multi-banked memories
 - 32-kB instruction memory (IM)
 - 36-kByte data memory (DM)

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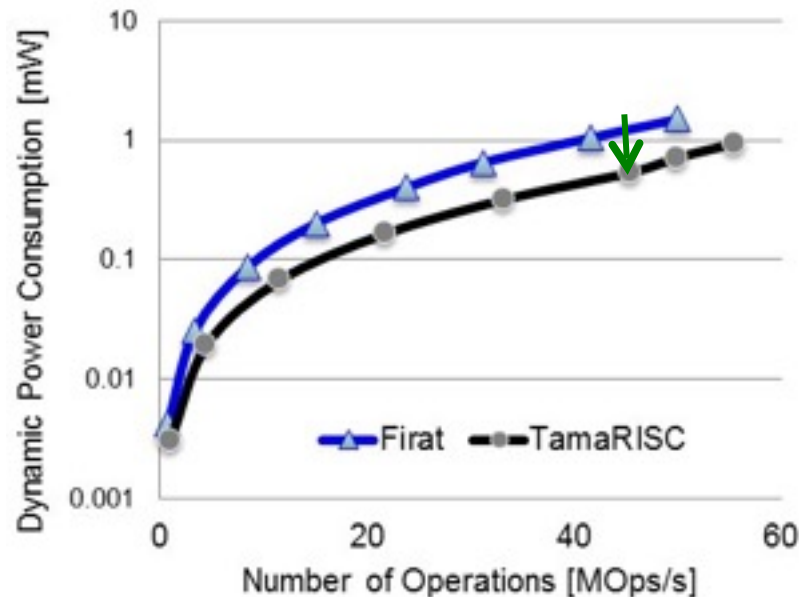
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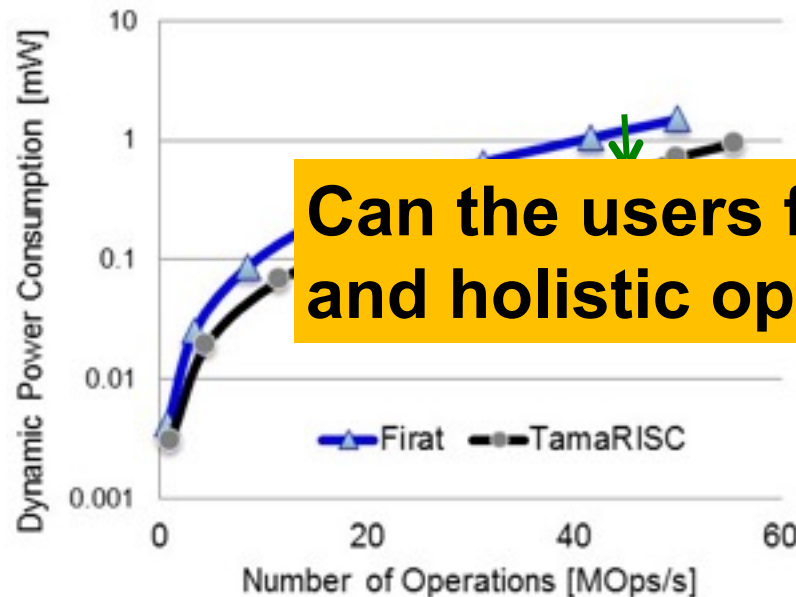
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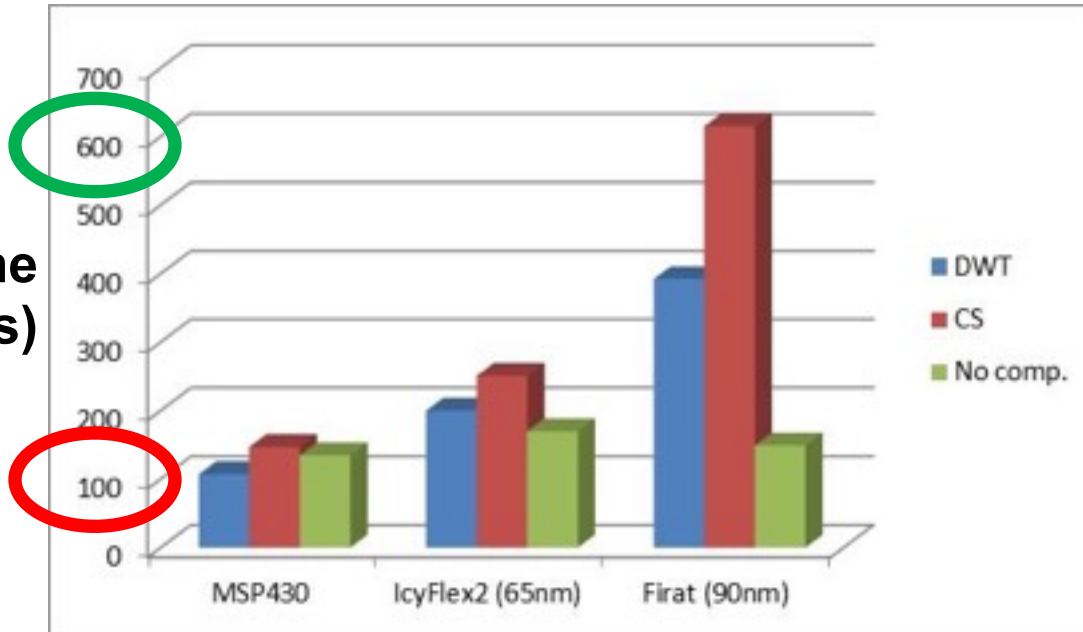
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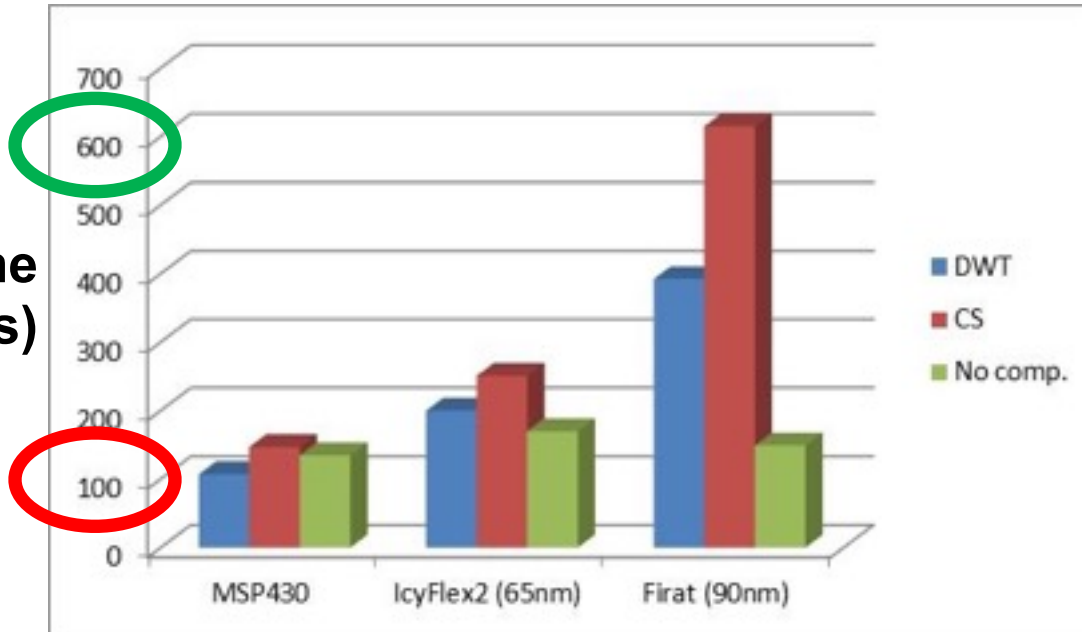
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- Feasible to develop long-lasting smart WBSN nodes that interact with smartphones
 - Adapts at run-time to patient's heart
 - Automatic detection of arrhythmias
 - Real-time notification to doctors

 SmartCardia



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See video at: <http://www.smartcardia.com>

Smart ULP WBSN designs can reach resonance in the media, but also impact in medical community!

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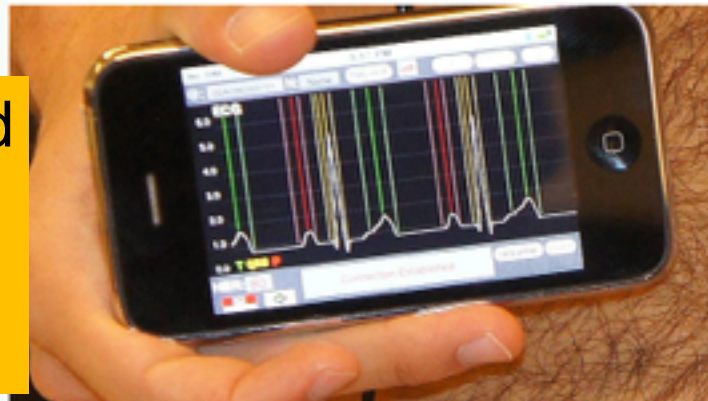
Santé

Notre cœur sur écoute



Smartphone detects danger in a heartbeat

By Matthew Knight, CNN
October 24, 2011 — Updated 10:14 GMT (05:14 PRC) | Filed under: [Mobile](#)



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Blick

Ein SMS vom Herz

Lausanne – Diagnose: Herzinfarkt. Der häufigsten Todesursache der Welt wird der Kampf angesagt, und zwar mit Schweizer Technik. Forscher der ETH Lausanne haben ein Gerät entwickelt, das den Herzrhythmus konstant überwachen kann. Falls eine Rhythmusstörung auftritt, **sendet das Gerät an Patient und Arzt per SMS oder E-Mail eine Warnung.** «Das System liefert sehr präzise Daten und verfügt über einen leistungsfähigen Akku mit einer Laufzeit von drei bis vier Wochen», sagt Forscher David Atienza.

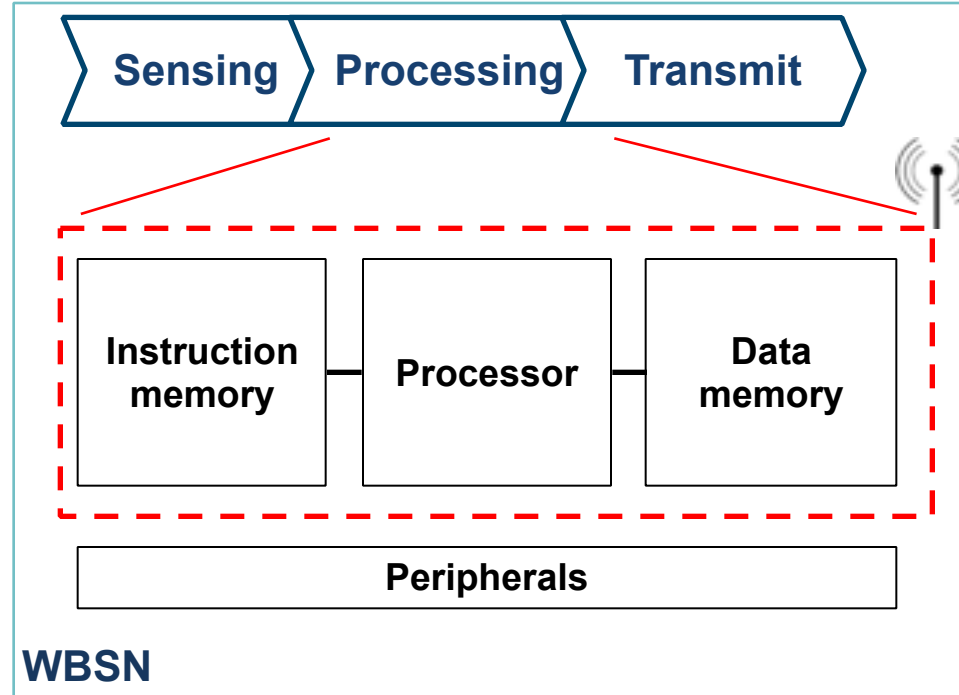
Non-intrusive, light and can reduce visits by 50-60% for patients (4-week test)

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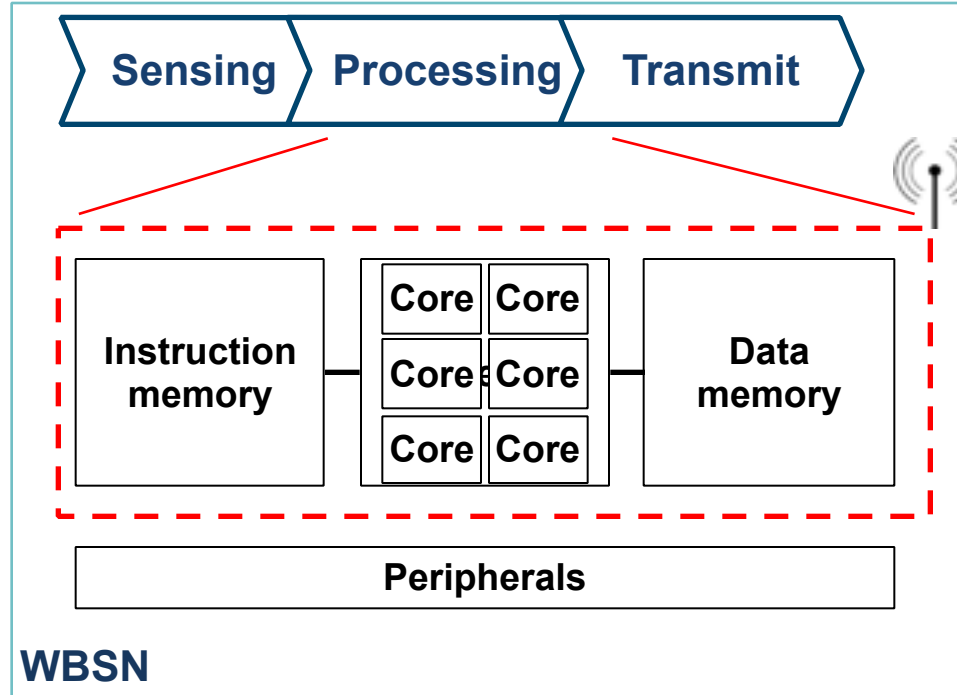
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SW

HW

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Let's exploit BIG DATA!

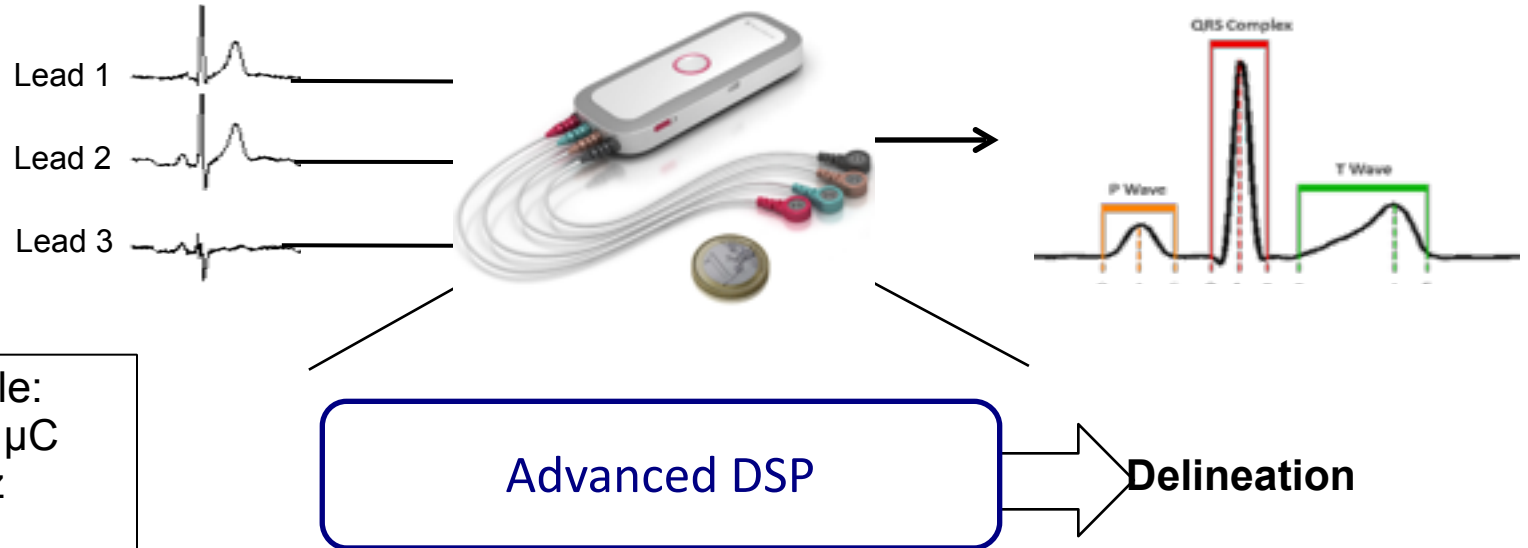
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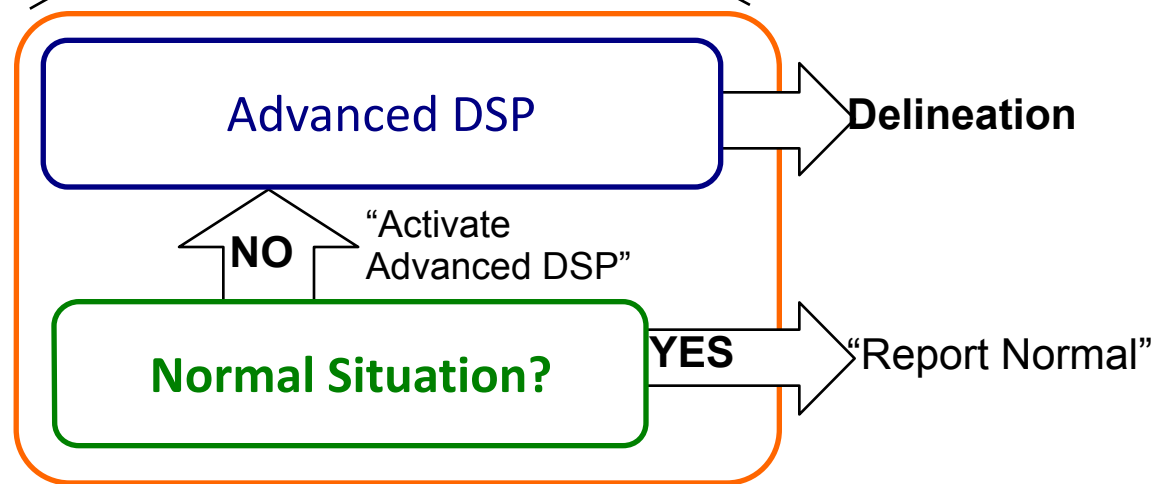
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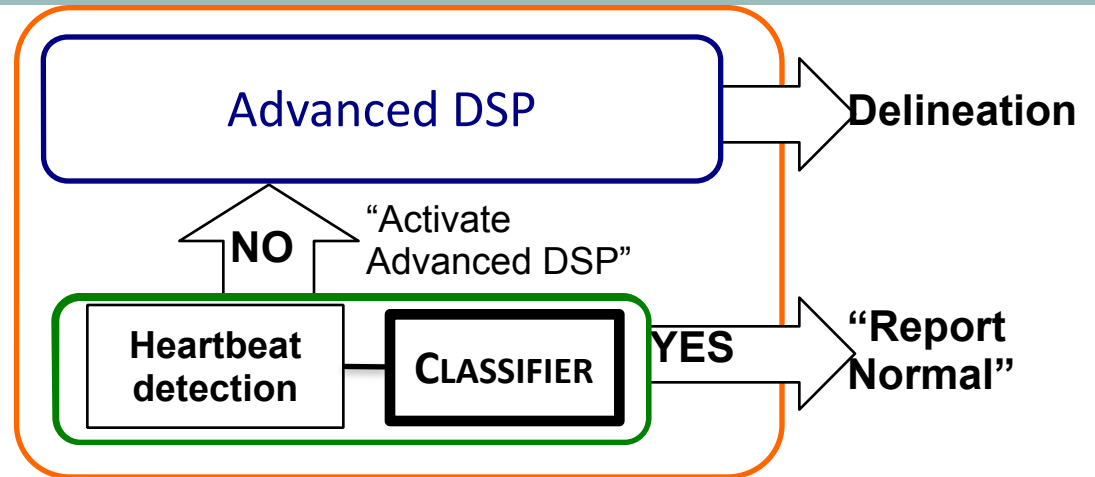
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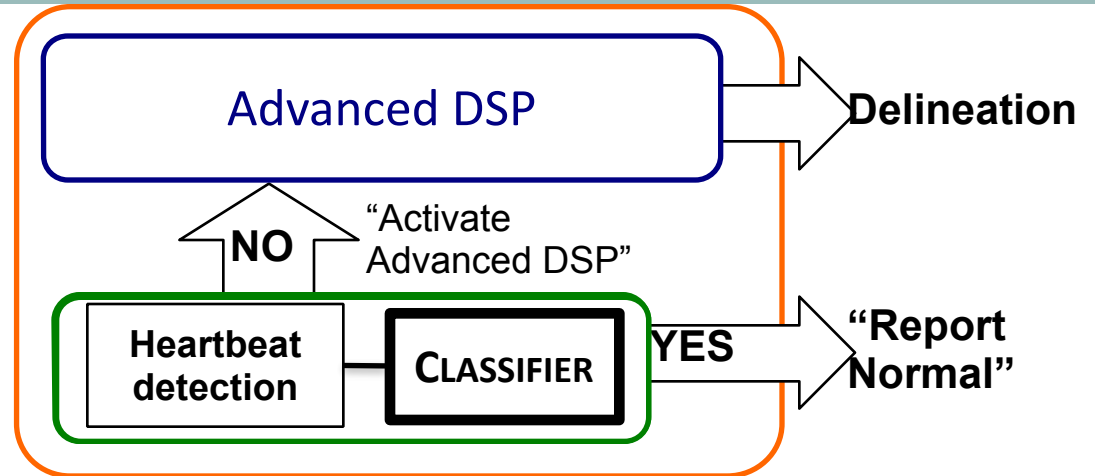
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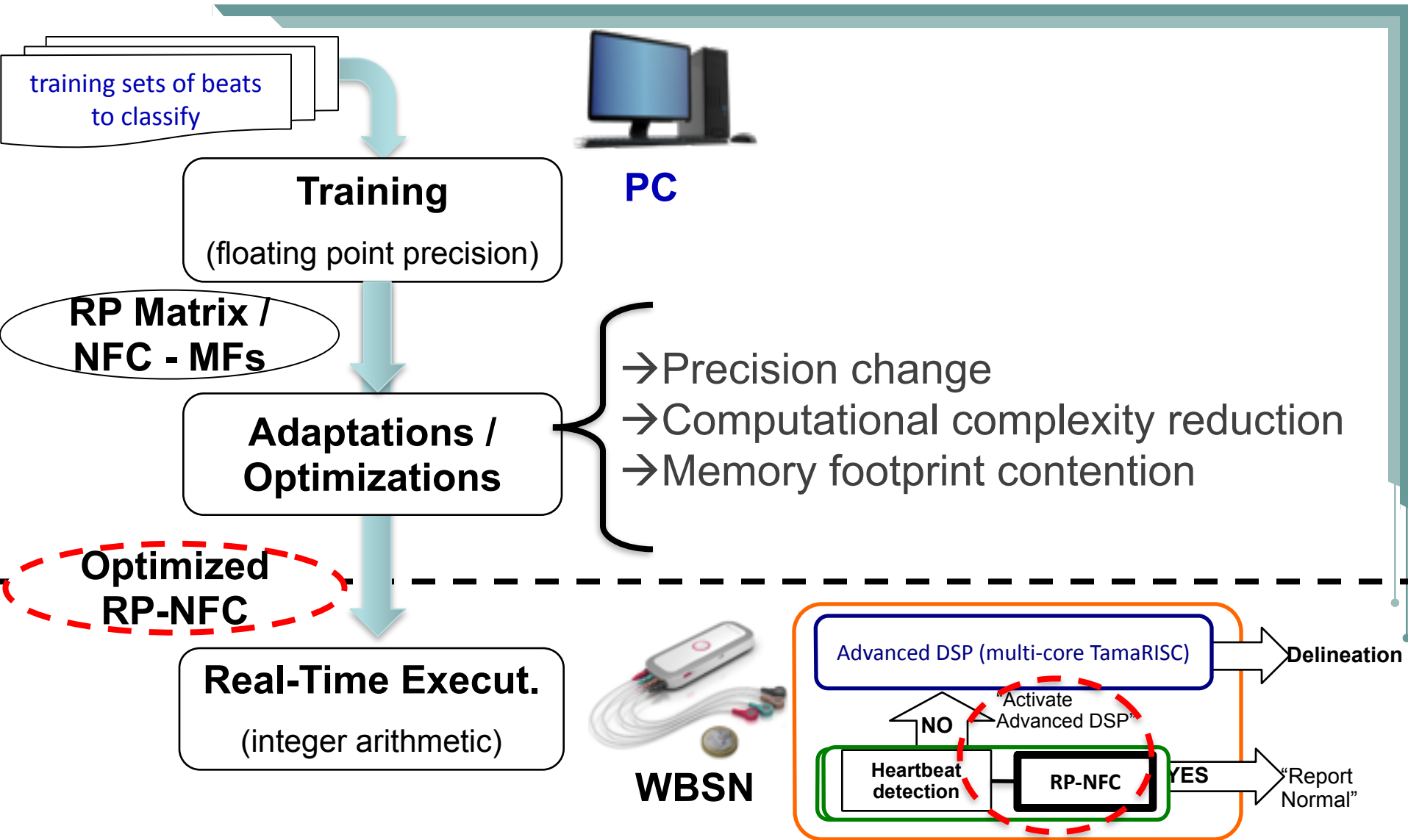
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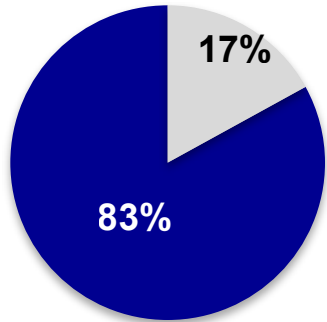
Light-weight embedded heartbeat classifier

1. Random Projection (RP) dimensionality reduction
2. Embedded Neuro-Fuzzy classifier (NFC)

Proposed framework for next-generation WBSN designs



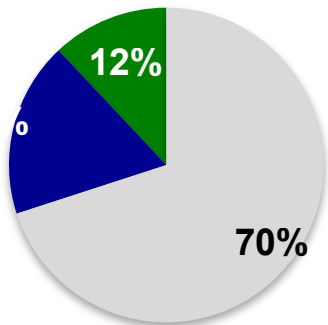
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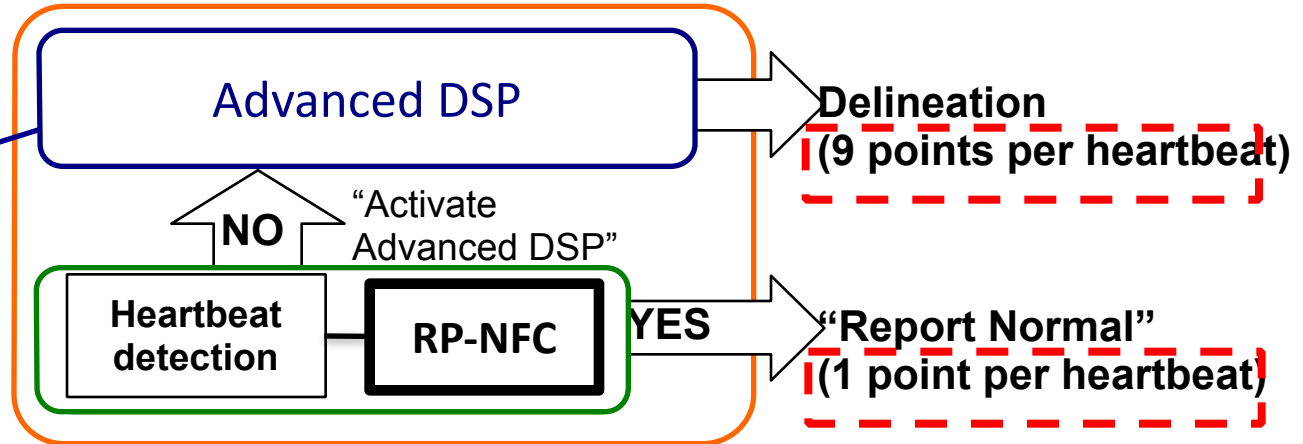
Typical ECG Monitor

Duty Cycle

- Advanced DSP
- Extension
- Idle Time



Smarter ECG Monitor



- Duty cycle reduction of 65% for MIT-BIH DB
- Transmission or storage reduction of 68%
- In a real test with multi-core WBSN node
→ Energy savings of 23%

**Up to 61.5 days of operation
(~1476 hours), finally we got
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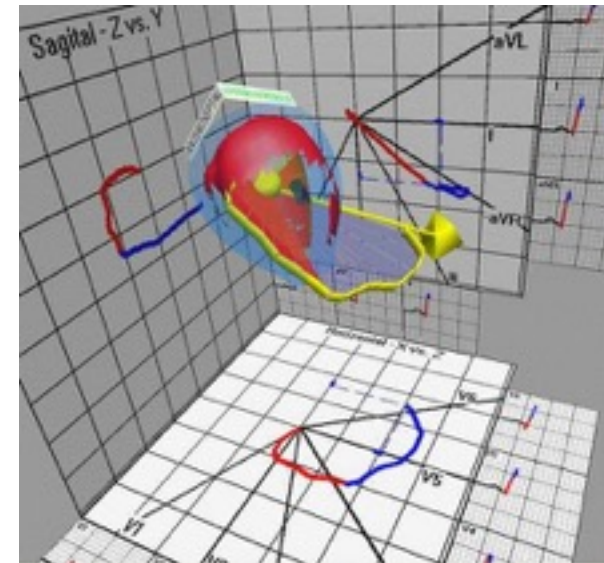
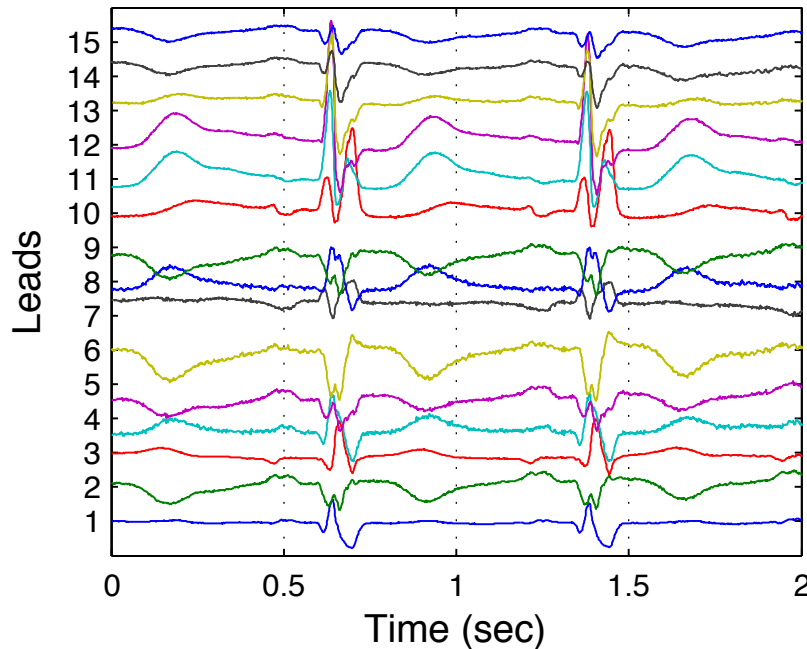
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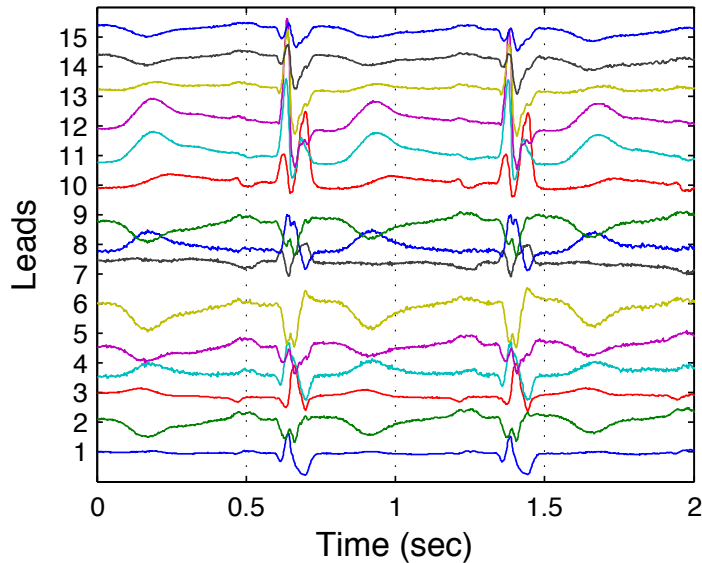
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- Doctors need multi-lead ECG signals
- ECG leads are different projections of a single multi-dimensional source.

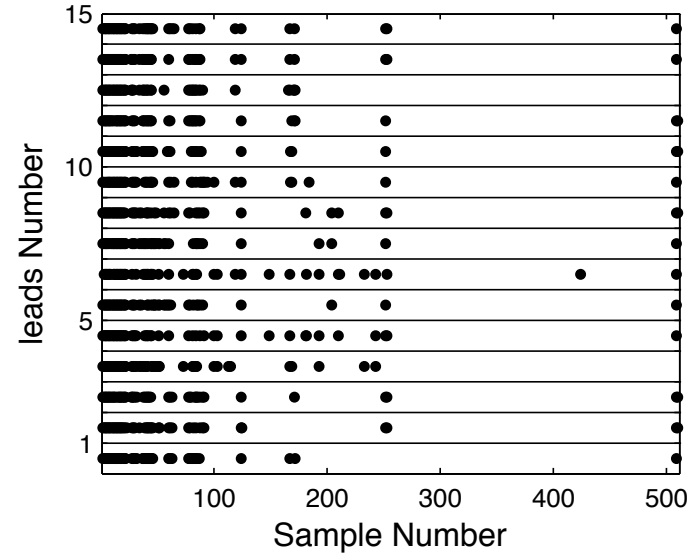


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Multi-lead ECG



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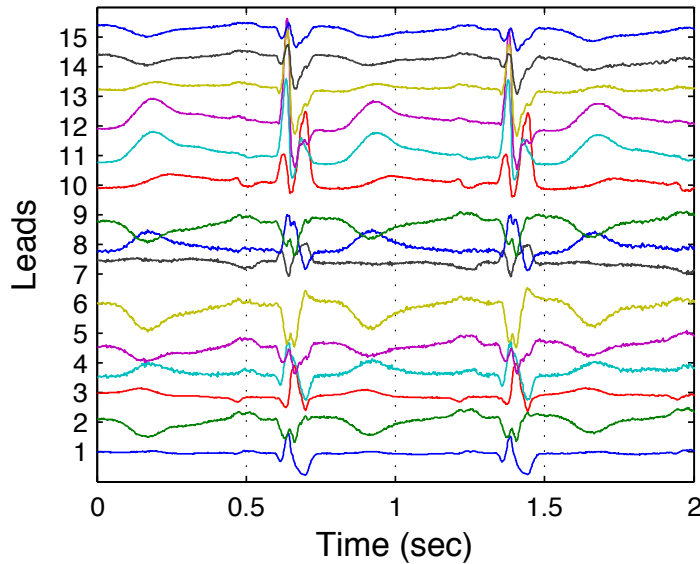


- Strong similarity exist between support of sparse representation among leads.
- Required measurements in normal CS $m = \mathcal{O}(s \log \frac{n}{s})$

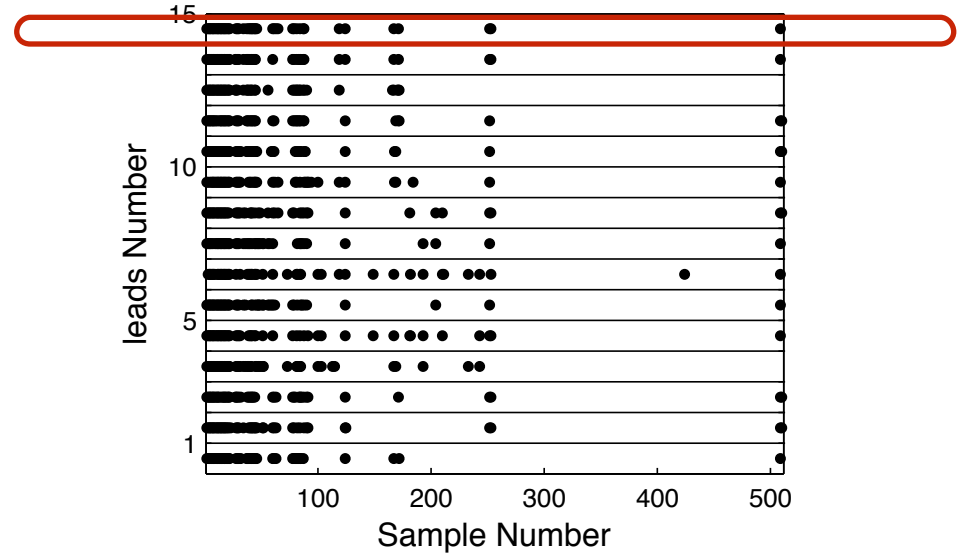
To embed the location
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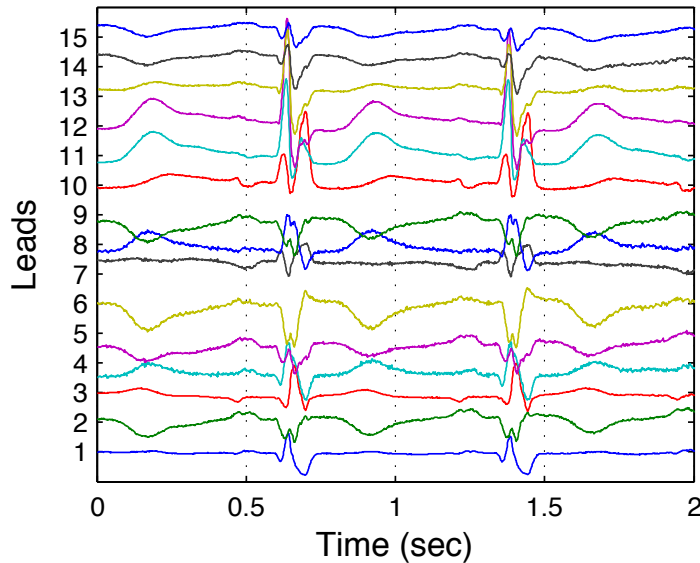
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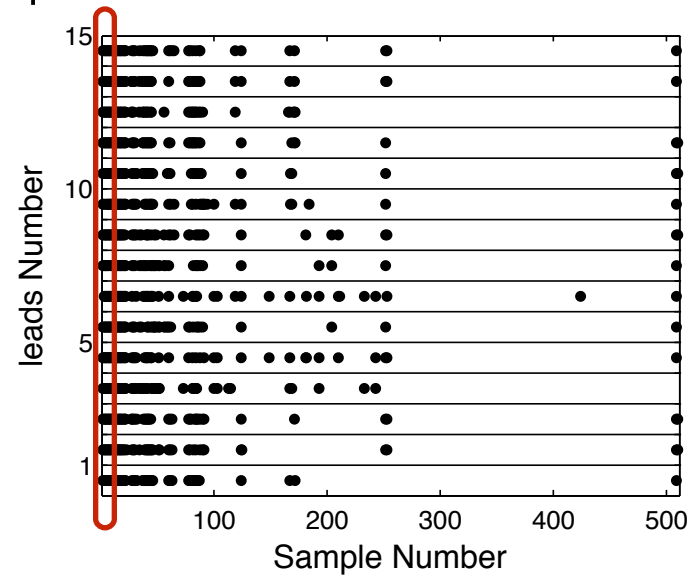
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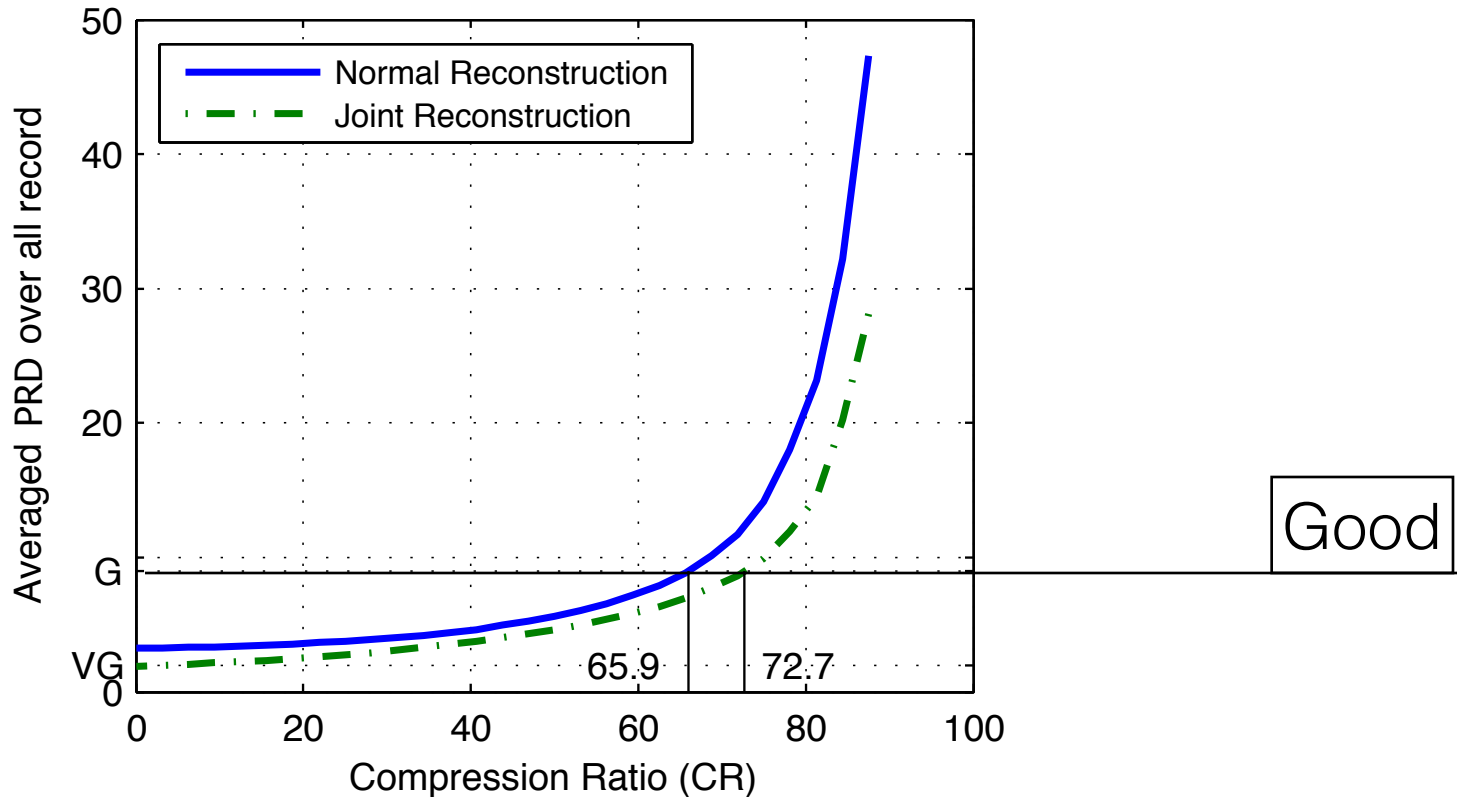
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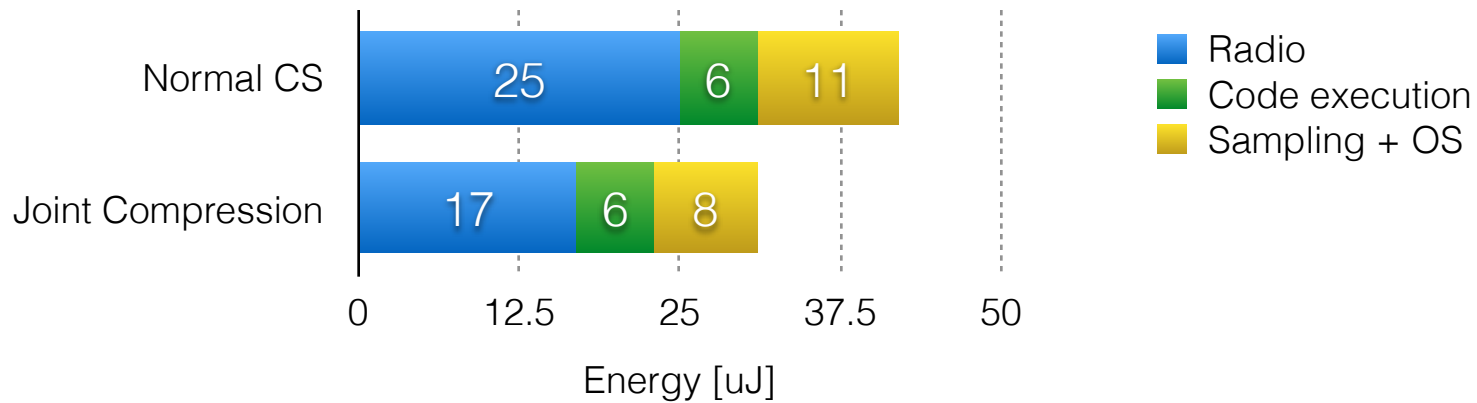
Joint Reconstruction -group sparsity



- **7%** improvement of Compression ratio

Power Consumption breakdown

- Power consumption comparison



- **26%** node lifetime extension on top of normal CS (Shimmer Platform)

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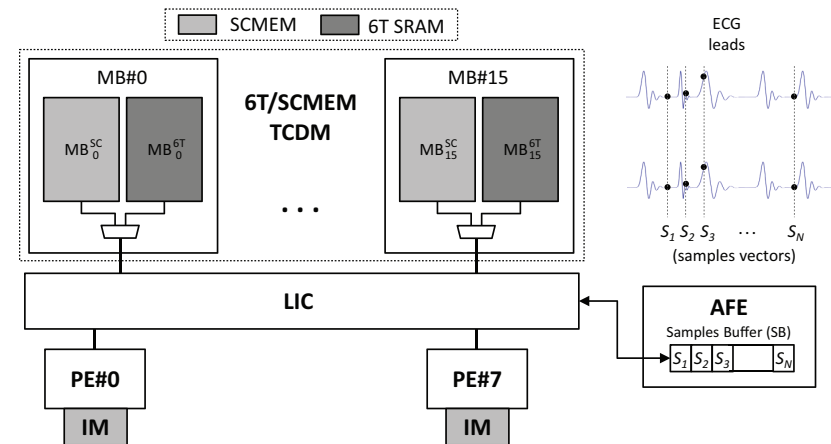
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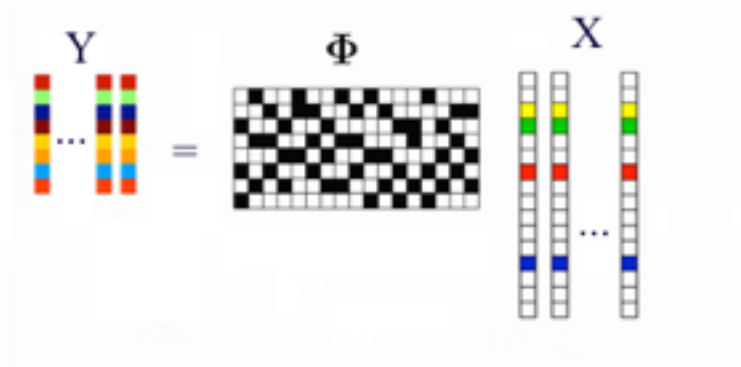
Hybrid Memory on a Multi-core Processor

- Use of reliable Standard Cell (SC) Memories (SCMEM) allows scaling to lower supply voltage, but in cost of large area penalties.
- Use of 6 Transistor SRAM (6T) cell memories are not reliable in supply voltage scaling.
- Ultra-low power multi-core architecture for multi-channel bio-signal processing.
- Hybrid memory architecture with 6T SRAM and SCMEM working on a aggressive voltage scaling.



Architecture designed by
university of Bologna

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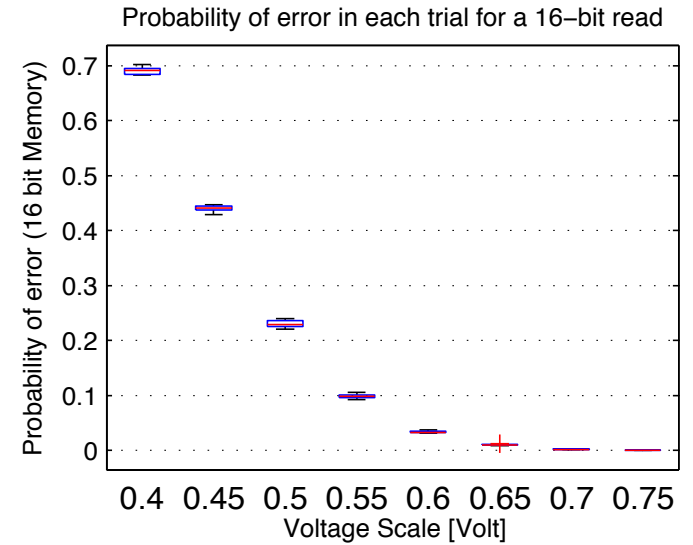


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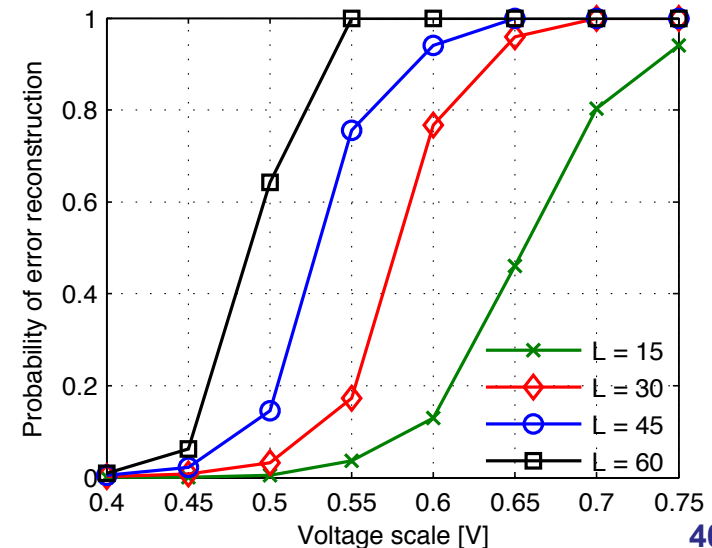
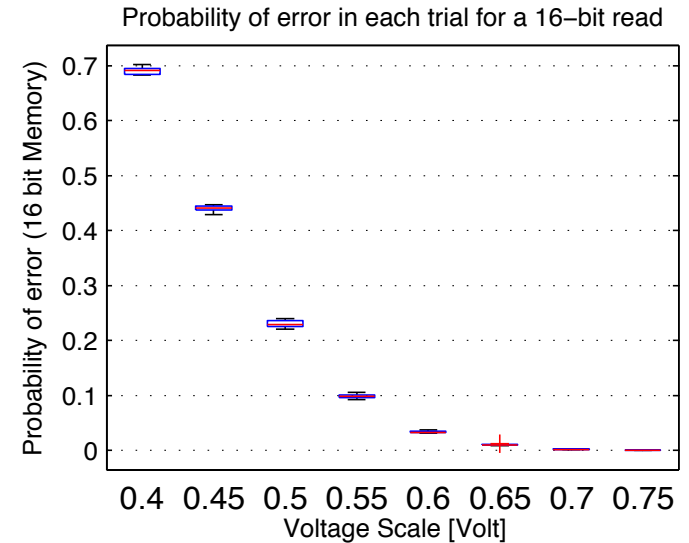
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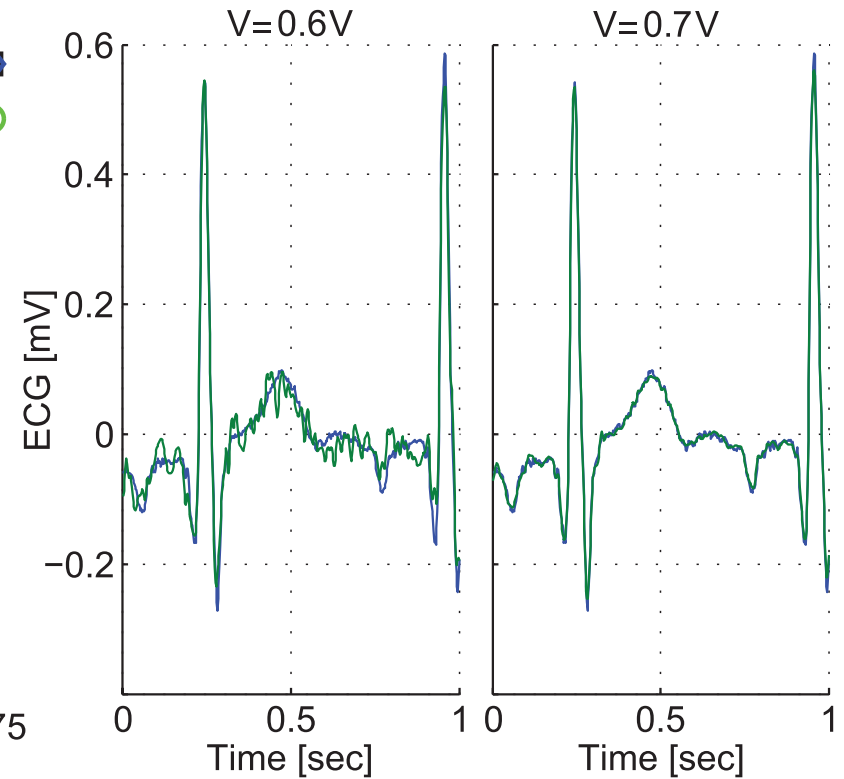
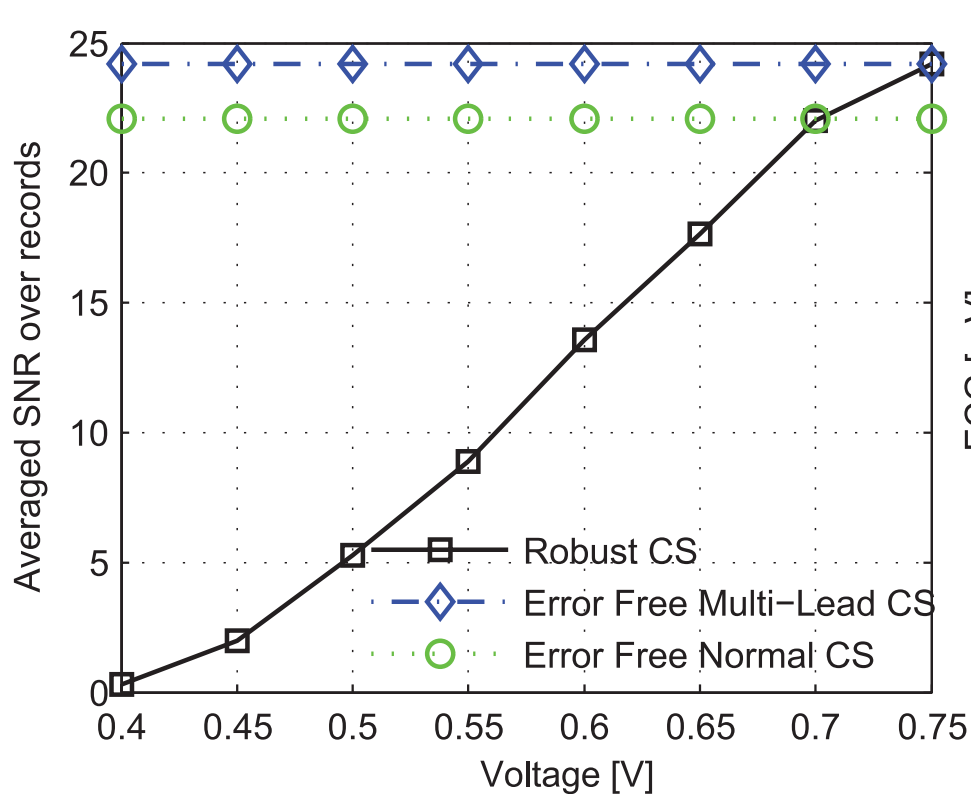
$$\mathbf{Y} = (\Phi + \mathbf{E})\mathbf{X} = (\Phi + \mathbf{E})\Psi \mathbf{A}$$

Robust Compressed Sensing

$$\min_{\hat{\mathbf{A}}, \hat{\mathbf{E}}} \|\hat{\mathbf{A}}\|_{1,2} + \lambda \|\hat{\mathbf{E}}\|_1 \quad \text{s.t.:} \quad \|(\Phi + \hat{\mathbf{E}})\Psi \hat{\mathbf{A}} - \mathbf{Y}\|_2 \leq \sigma$$



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Design reach to **60%** reduction in Power consumption with a **13%** area overhead

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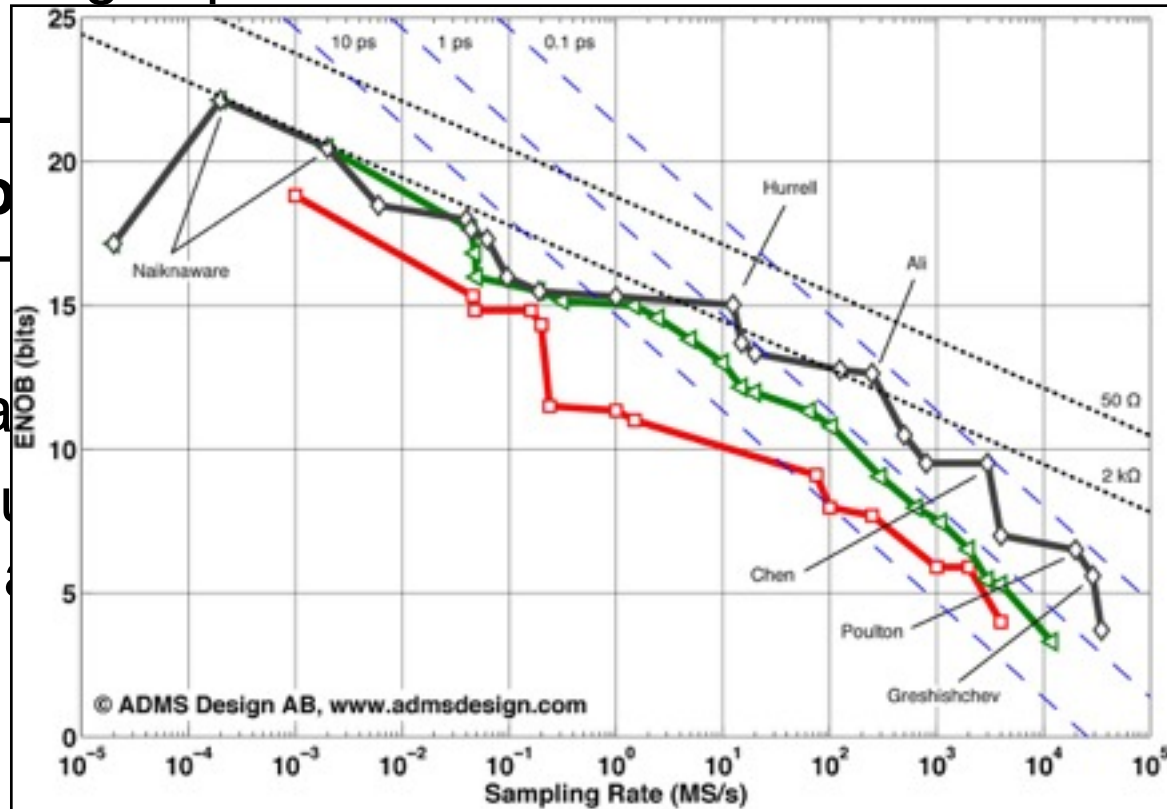
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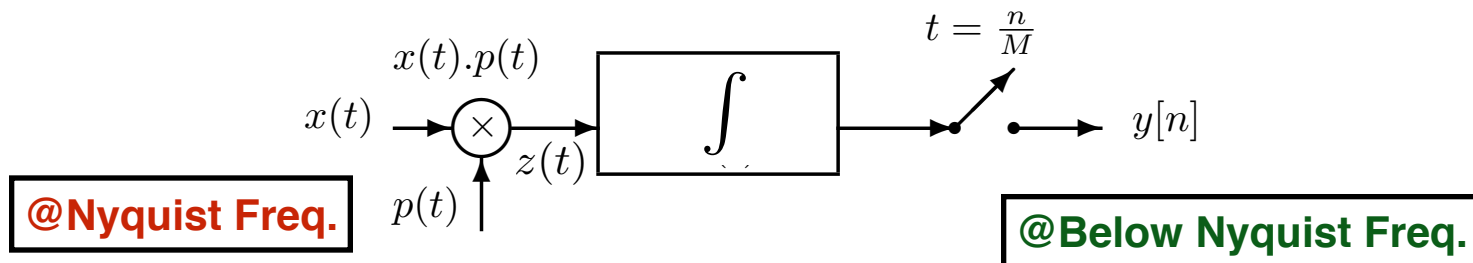
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- Power-aware sensing
 - By merging sampling and compression and thus removing large part of readout and digital processing part.

Random Modulator

- Signal Model: $x(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \phi_i(t)$
- Random Modulator

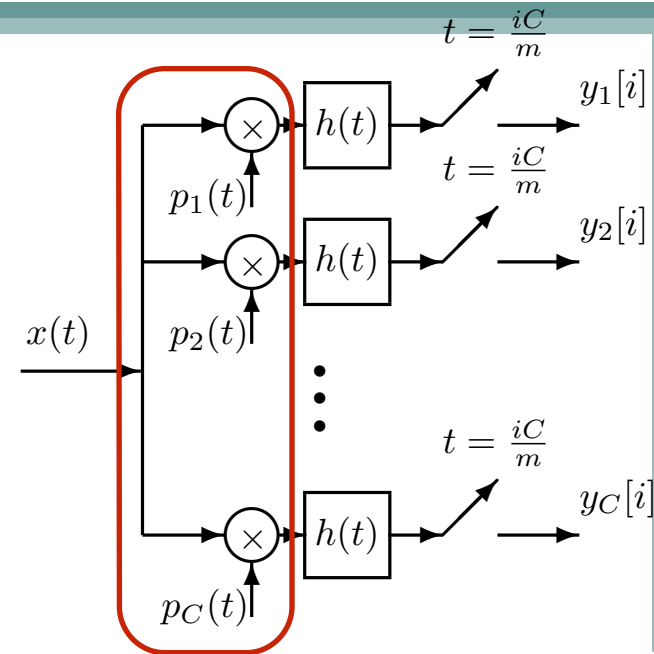


$$P_c(t) = p_i, \quad t \in \left[\frac{i}{n}, \frac{(i+1)}{n} \right) \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$$

Analog CS: RMPI

- RMPI: Random Modulator Pre-Integrator

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- Further reducing ADC rate
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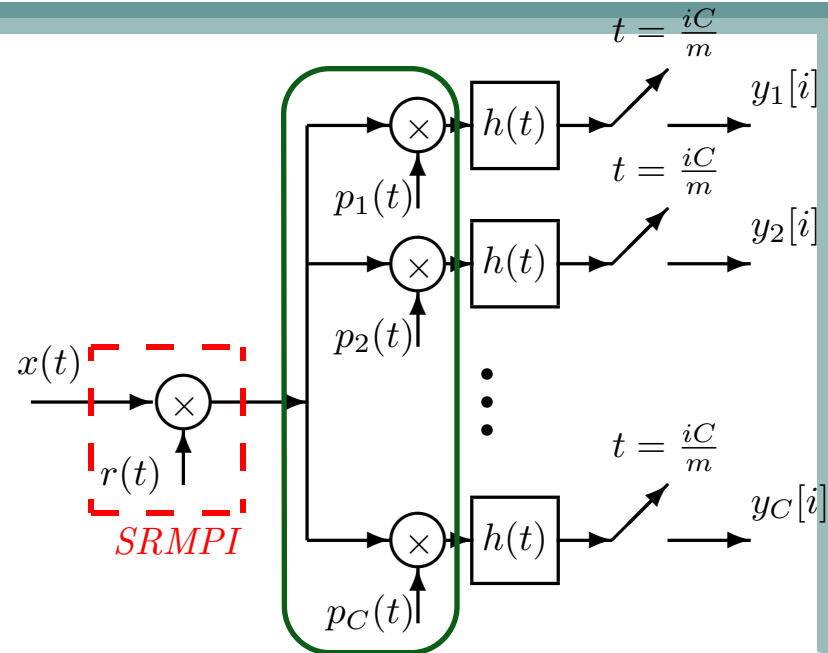


- Limitations:

- Exact representation of the digital CS means that number of channels should be equal to the number of measurements.
- Random modulation (mixers) should work at Nyquist Frequency
- higher number of channels is not practical!

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- New Architecture proposed to reduce number of channels in RMPI architecture and reduce random modulation called SRMPI.
- The design is for highly sparse signals



Hardware Optimization: Analog CS

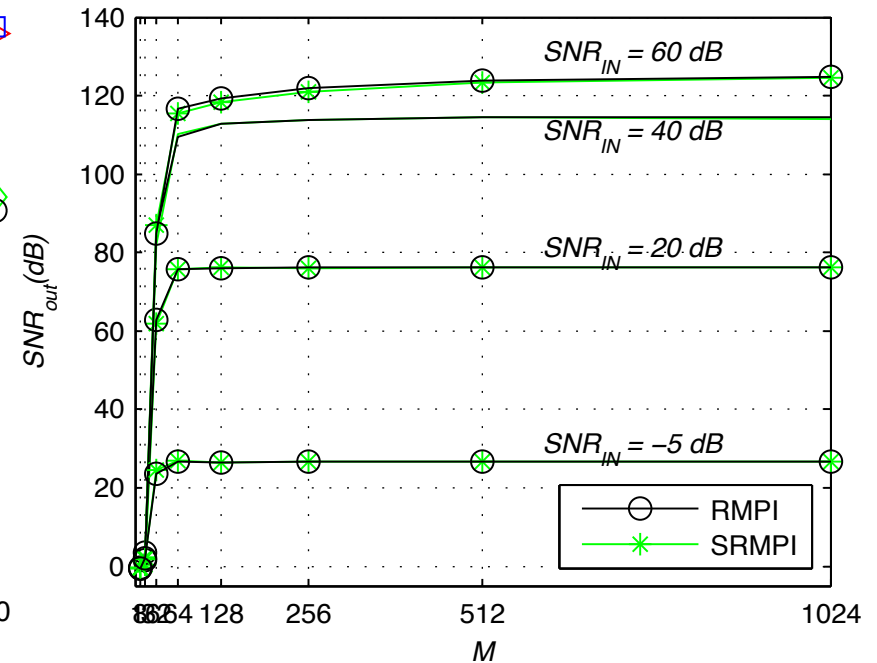
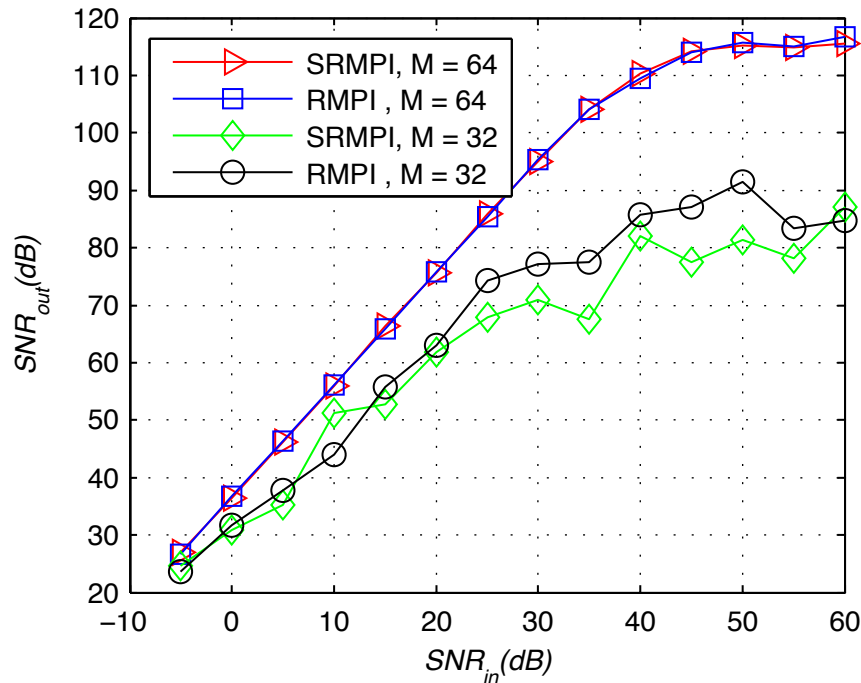
- 8-channel RMPI/SRMPI reconfigurable implemented
 - Main board + 8 RM daughter boards
- Connected to PC with DAC for real-time communication
- SRMPI pre-modulation are implemented (bypassed for RMPI)
 - modulation (CMOS Switch)
 - Integrator (Analog filter)
 - ADC



**8-channel Implementation
of Analog CS**

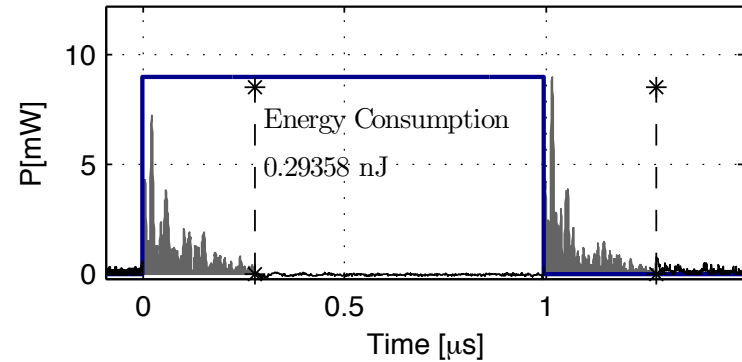
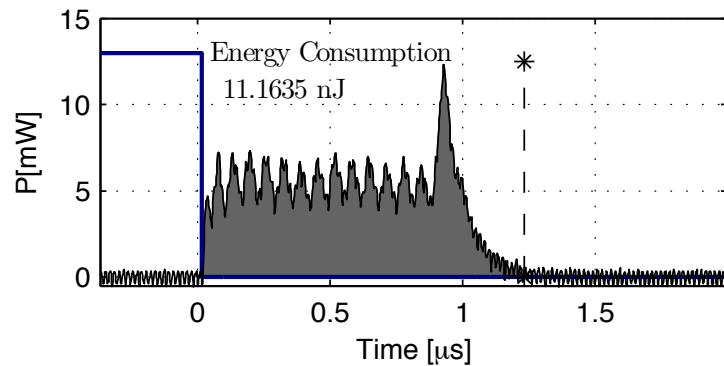
Experimental Results

- Signal model: 3 tone (sinusoid)



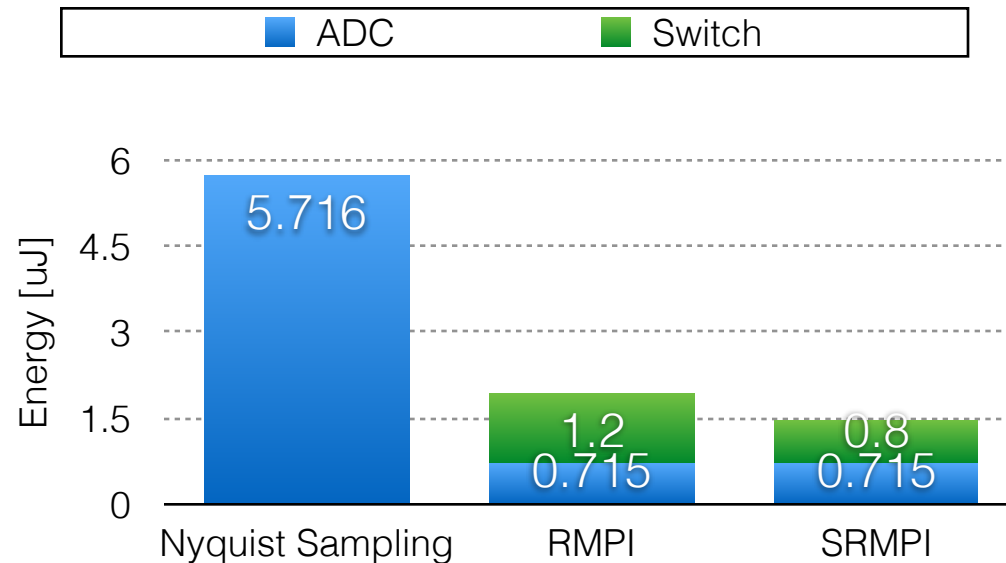
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- **63%** and **75%** Reduction in power consumption by RMPI and SRMPI respectively.
- SRMPI outperforms RMPI by at least **25%**.

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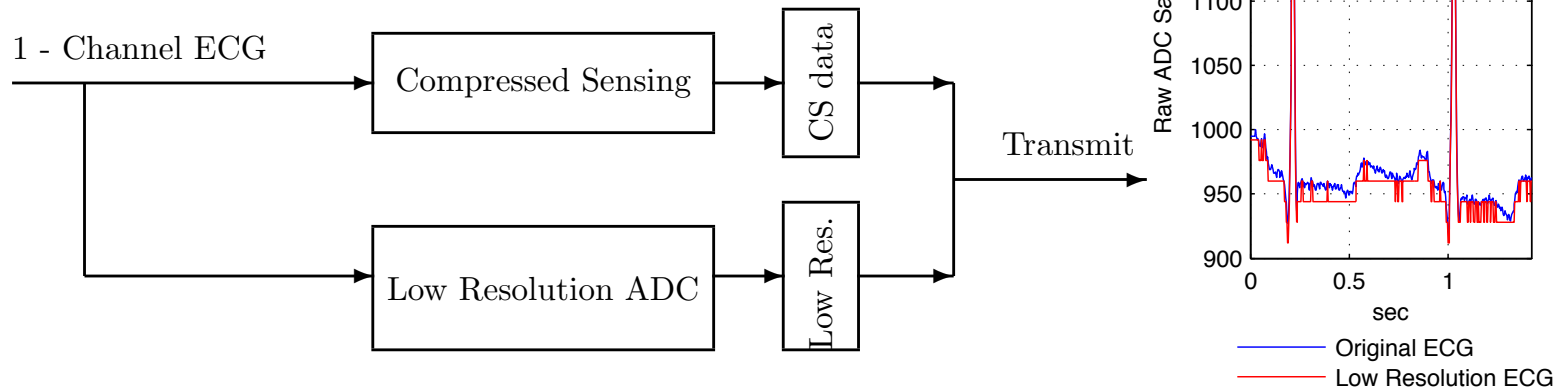
- On-node compression
 - Single-lead compression
 - Multi-lead compression
 - Robust Compressed Sensing

Hardware

- CS-based Analog to Information
 - **ECG ultra-low-power front-end design**

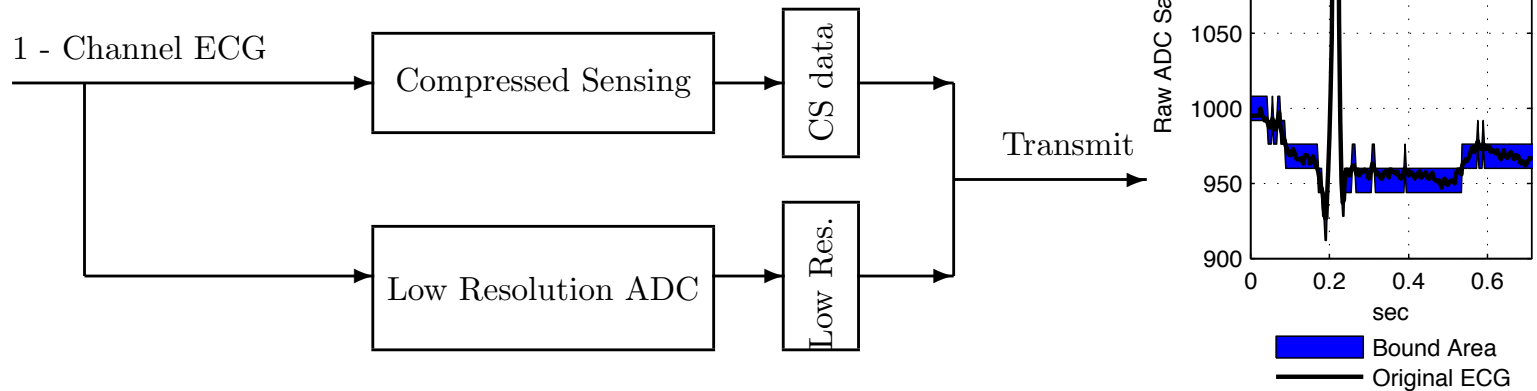
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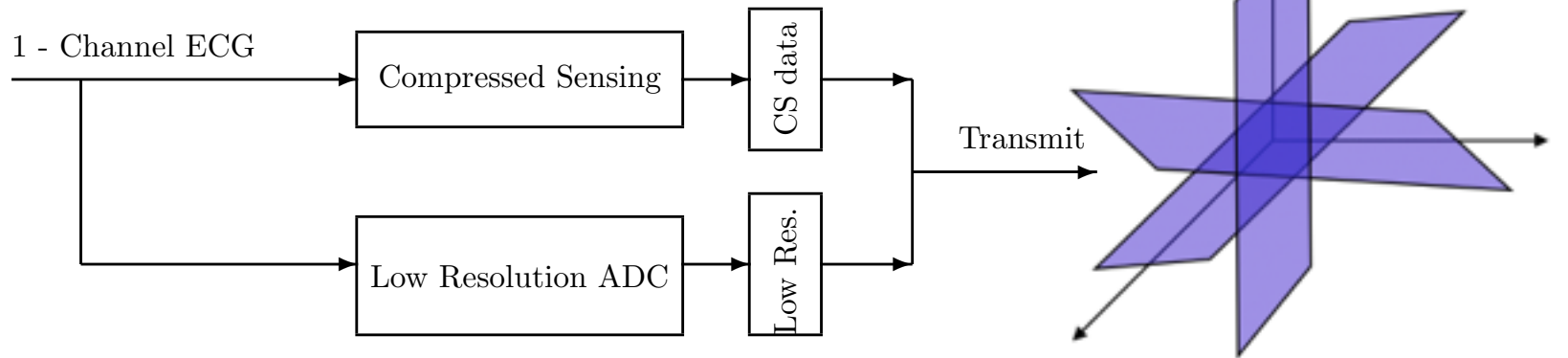
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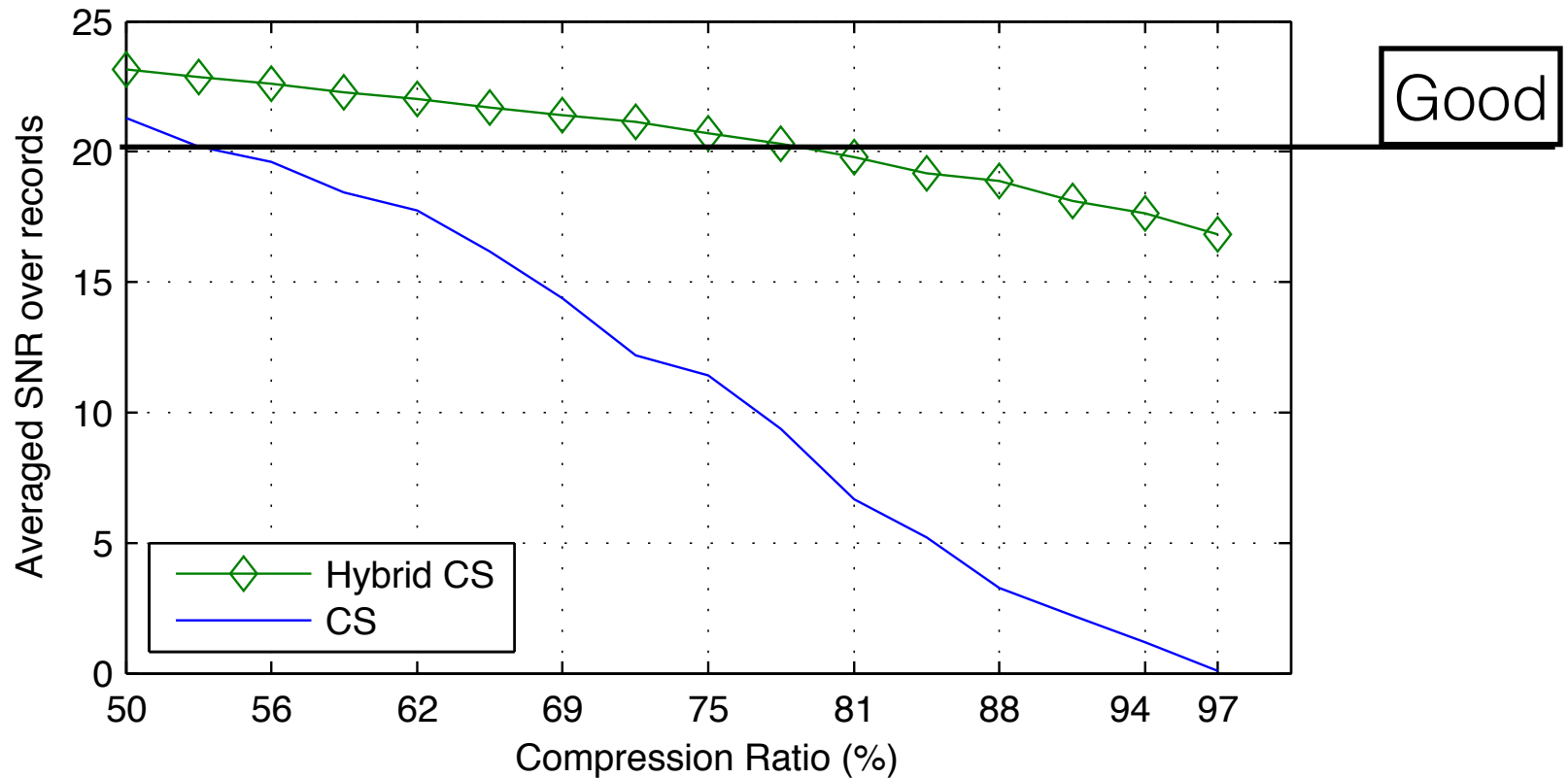
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$$\min_{\tilde{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}^N} \|\tilde{\alpha}\|_1 \quad \text{subject to} \quad \begin{cases} \|\Phi\Psi\tilde{\alpha} - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \leq \sigma, \\ \dot{\mathbf{x}} \leq \Psi\tilde{\alpha} \leq \dot{\mathbf{x}} + d \end{cases}$$

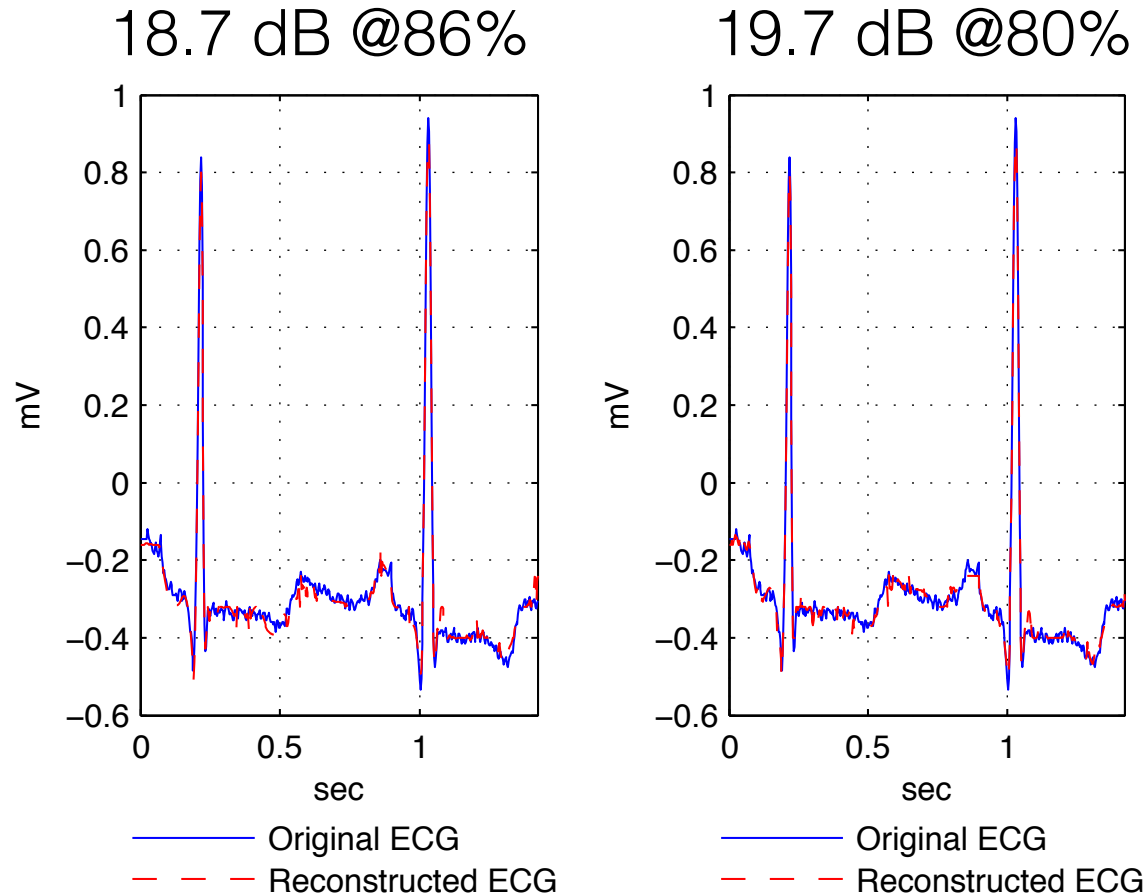
- **Relaxed RIP, fewer measurements**

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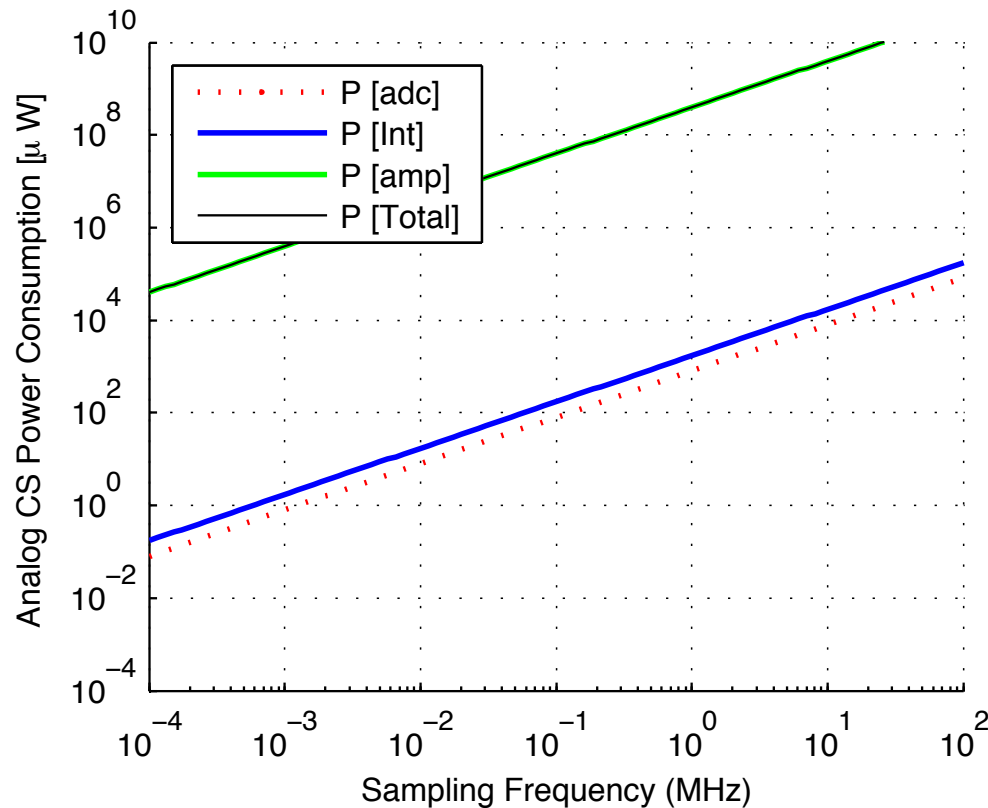
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2.5 X Power reduction compared to RMPI at Good quality
11 X reduction at SNR = 17dB (number of channels = 16)

Conclusion

- Smart ULP WBSN nodes needed to enable new healthcare
 - Feasible to do real-time automated biosignals analysis
 - Communication not always the worst part: sensing and processing
- Knowledge about target bio-signals not to over-design WBSNs
 - Compressed sensing very powerful approach (if used with care)
 - Removes need for complex instructions sets and limits memory use
- New ULP WBSN multi-parametric architectures coming up
 - Adaptive to each patient (big data link!)
 - Joint compressive sensing can help to significantly save power
- Novel field: wearable multimodal biosignal systems
 - **Develop uses of these new WBSNs to monitor other emotions, etc.**
 - **Design methods to ease low-power software mapping needed!**

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QUESTIONS?

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