



SenSig: Practical IoT Sensor Fingerprinting Using Calibration Data

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RESEARCH MOTIVATION

WHAT AM I DOING AND WHY?

RESEARCH GOAL

- Develop a solution for augmenting security in an IoT environment
- Fingerprint motion sensors (gyroscopes) using their output alone
 - Output Target : Runtime Calibration Data

RESEARCH MOTIVATION

- Cryptographic/security tools which **factor in IoT constraints** (open research area)
 - Limited Storage
 - Limited Processing Capabilities
 - Limited Power
- The data sensors transmit can have physical, **real-world consequences**
 - IIoT (Temperature/Radiation/Proximity Sensor)
 - Dams (Open/close gates based off of readings)
 - Smart Home
- Make a case for the importance of **standardisation** of sensors in IoT
 - What sensor data can be made available
 - How sensor data can be accessed

SUMMARY

- **Goal:** Develop a solution which augments security in an IoT environment via fingerprinting.
- **Requirements:** Computationally light & does not require usage/storage of external data.
- **Use Case:** Identification

EQUIPMENT

TOOLS OF THE TRADE

HARDWARE

- Arduino Mega (Microcontroller)
- Inertial Measurement Units:
 - MPU-6050 (primary)
 - ICM-20948

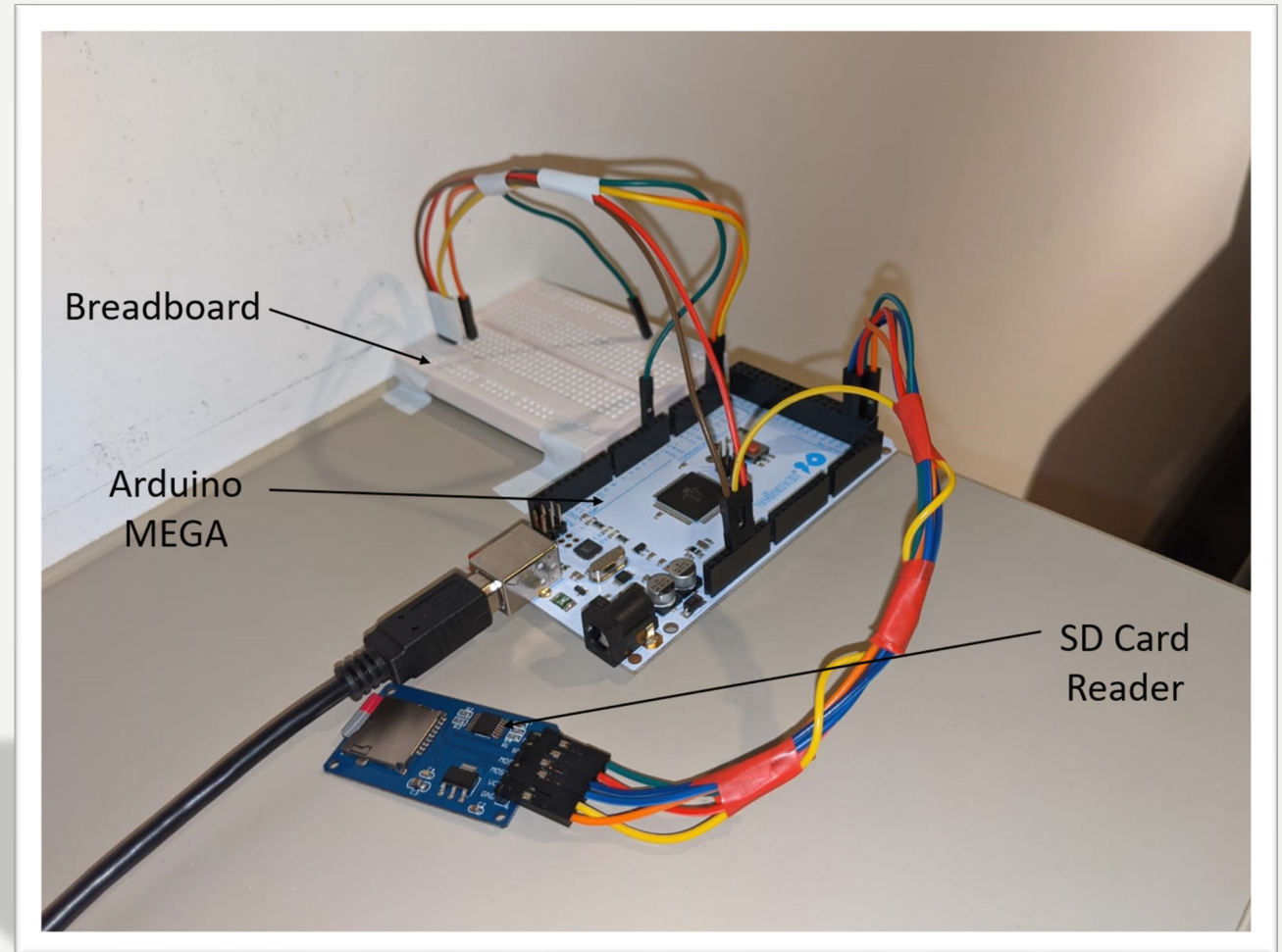
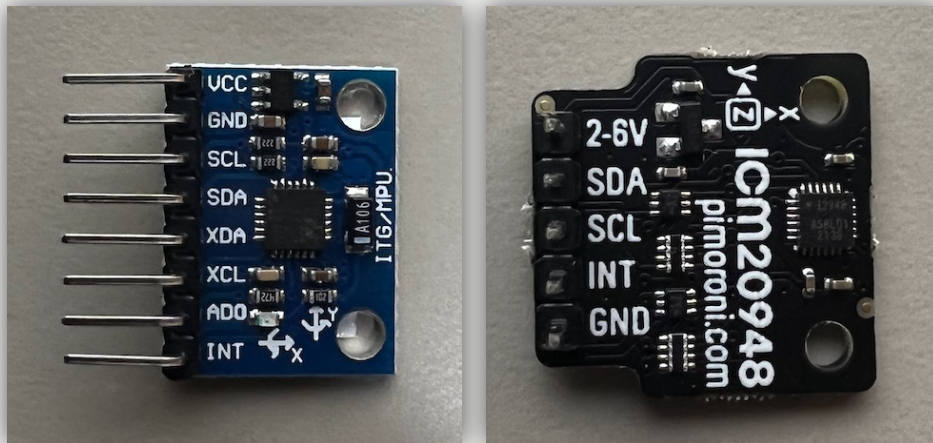


Image of one of the data collection environment

SOFTWARE

- Arduino IDE
 - IMU Communication
- MATLAB
 - Signal Processing
 - Proof-of-Concept
- Various Python Scripts

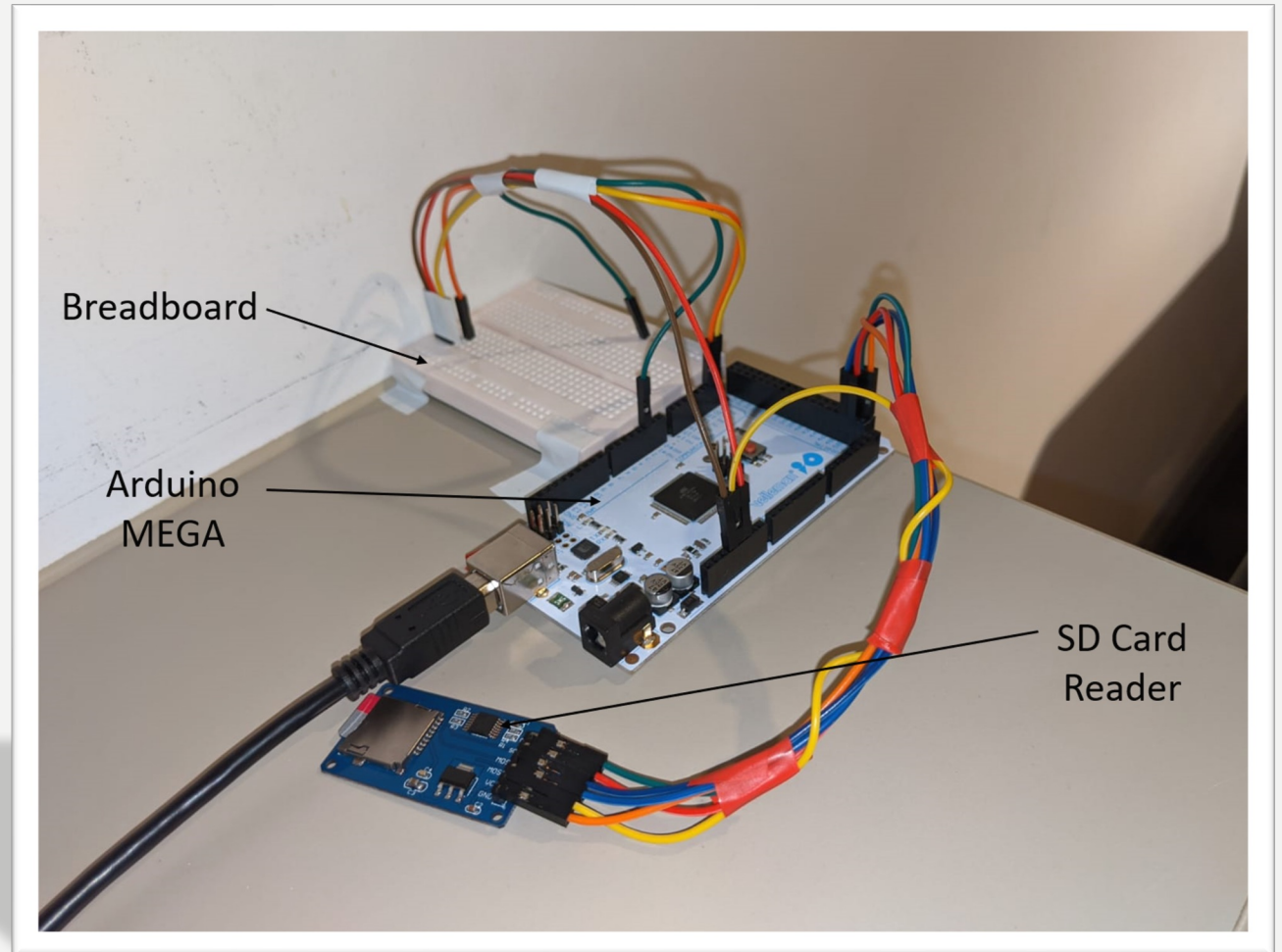


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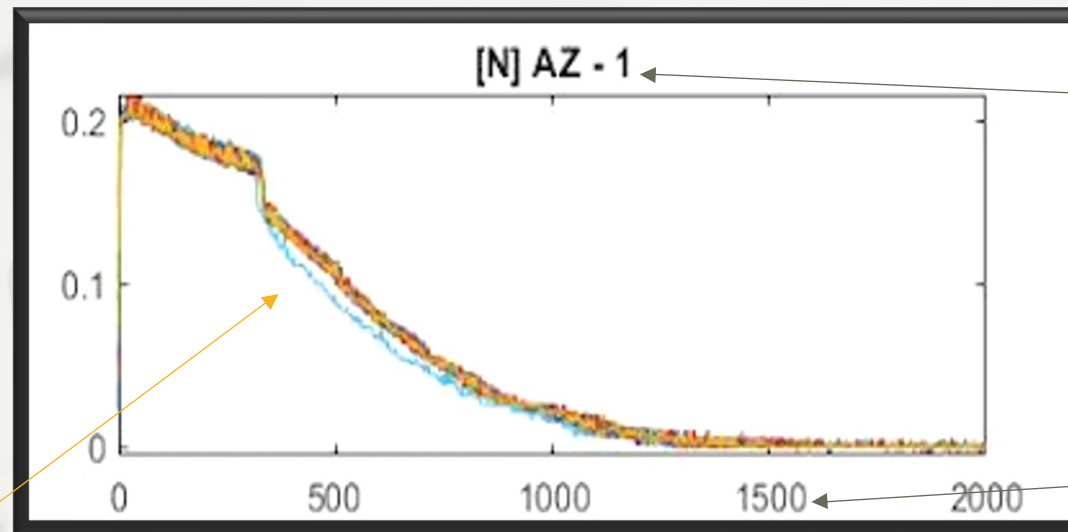
DATASET GENERATION

**THERE ARE TWO TYPES OF PEOPLE, THOSE THAT CAN EXTRAPOLATE
FROM AN INCOMPLETE DATA SET**

DATASET GENERATION

Dataset Size: 23 sensors (mpu-6050)

Rounds of Data per Sensor: 31 rounds (runtime calibration data)

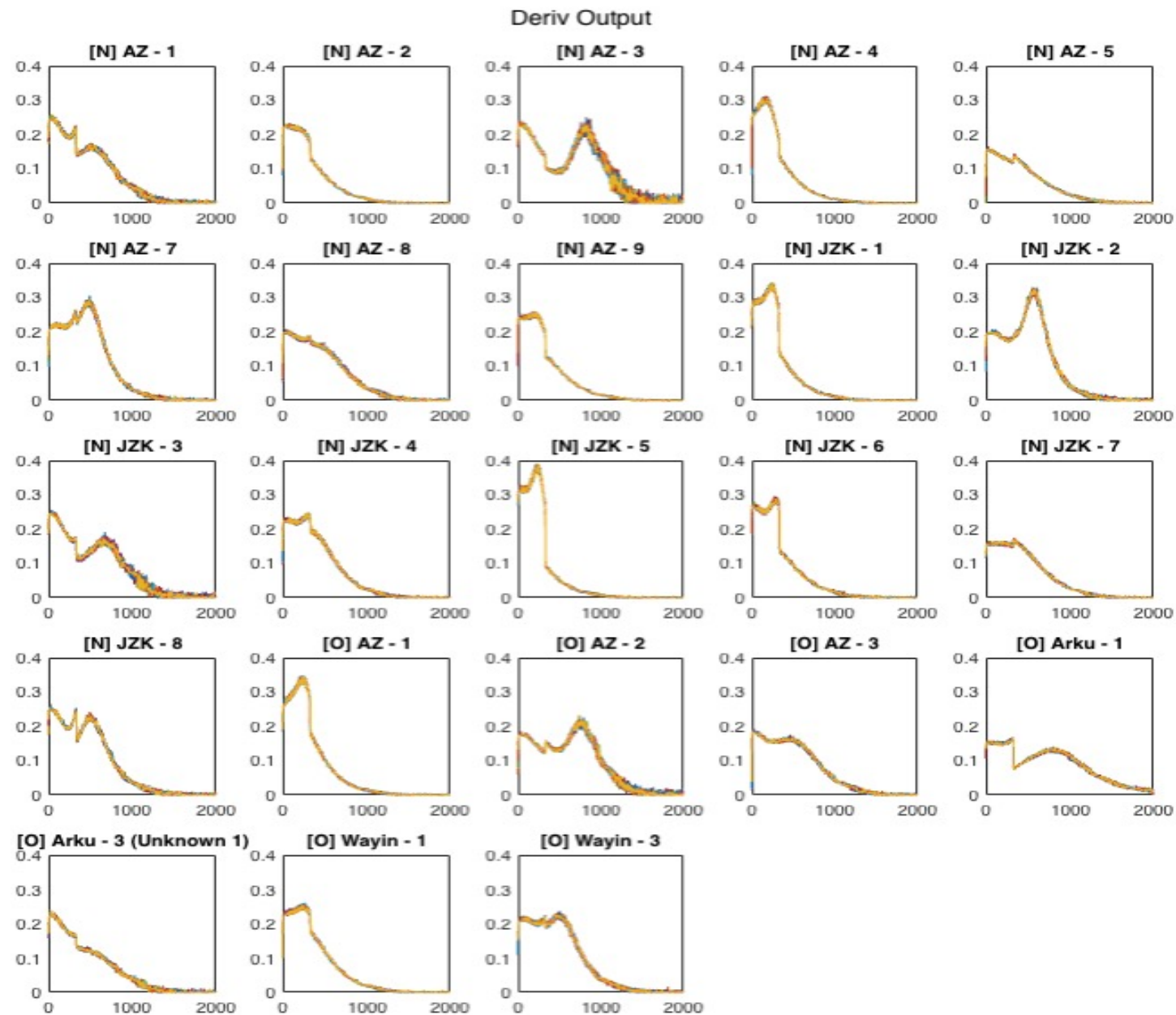


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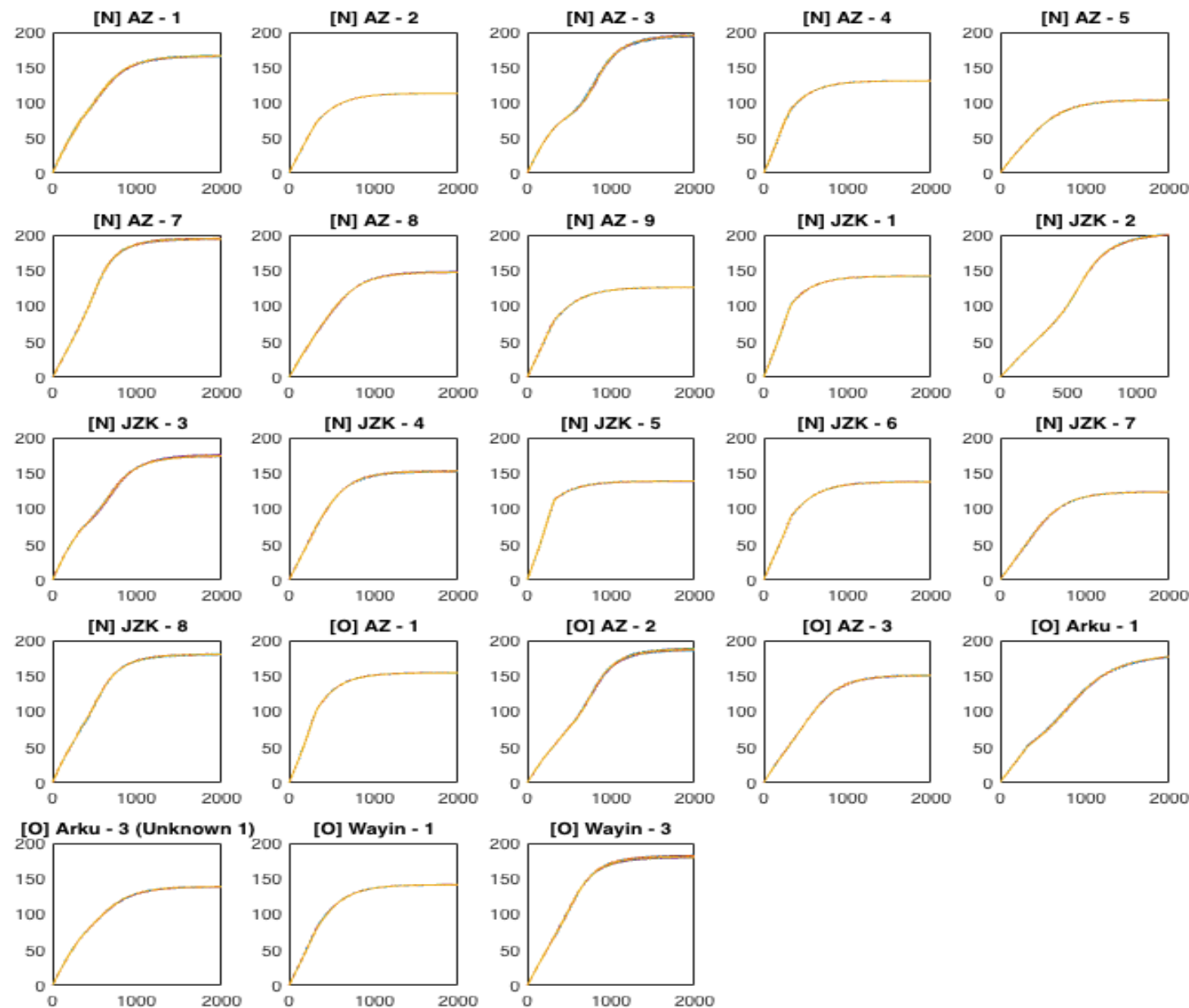
Xth Datapoint

Single Instance of
Runtime Calibration Data (per line)
[1st Derivative]

FULL DATASET (1ST DERIVATIVE) MPU - 6050



FULL DATASET (GYRO DATA) MPU-6050



SIGNAL PROCESSING

01001001 01100110 00100000 01111001 01101111 01110101 00100000 01100011 01100001 01101110 00100000 01110010
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SIGNAL PROCESSING

The signal processing for this research is broken down into three stages:

- Pre-Processing
- Quantisation
- Template Generation



PRE-PROCESSING

**YES, WE HAVE TO PROCESS BEFORE WE CAN PROCESS.
WHAT A CRAZY WORLD WE LIVE IN...**

PRE-PROCESSING

- Noise Removal
- Data Conversion
- Data Truncation

NOISE REMOVAL {1}

Primary focus of this stage is to eliminate the unwanted **noise** was present after data collection.

This noise was present in the form of **spikes**.

This is addressed using **Median Filtering**.

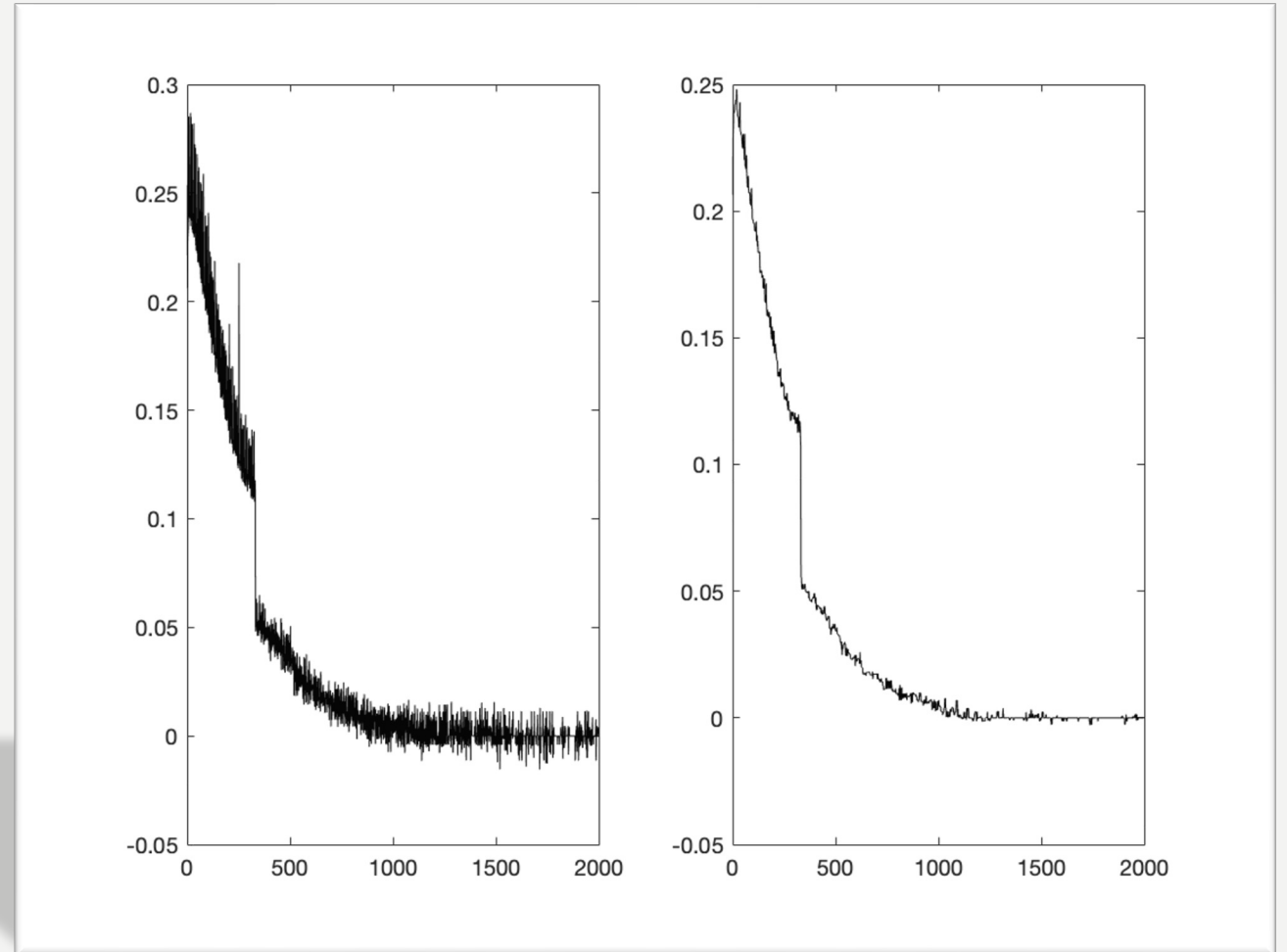
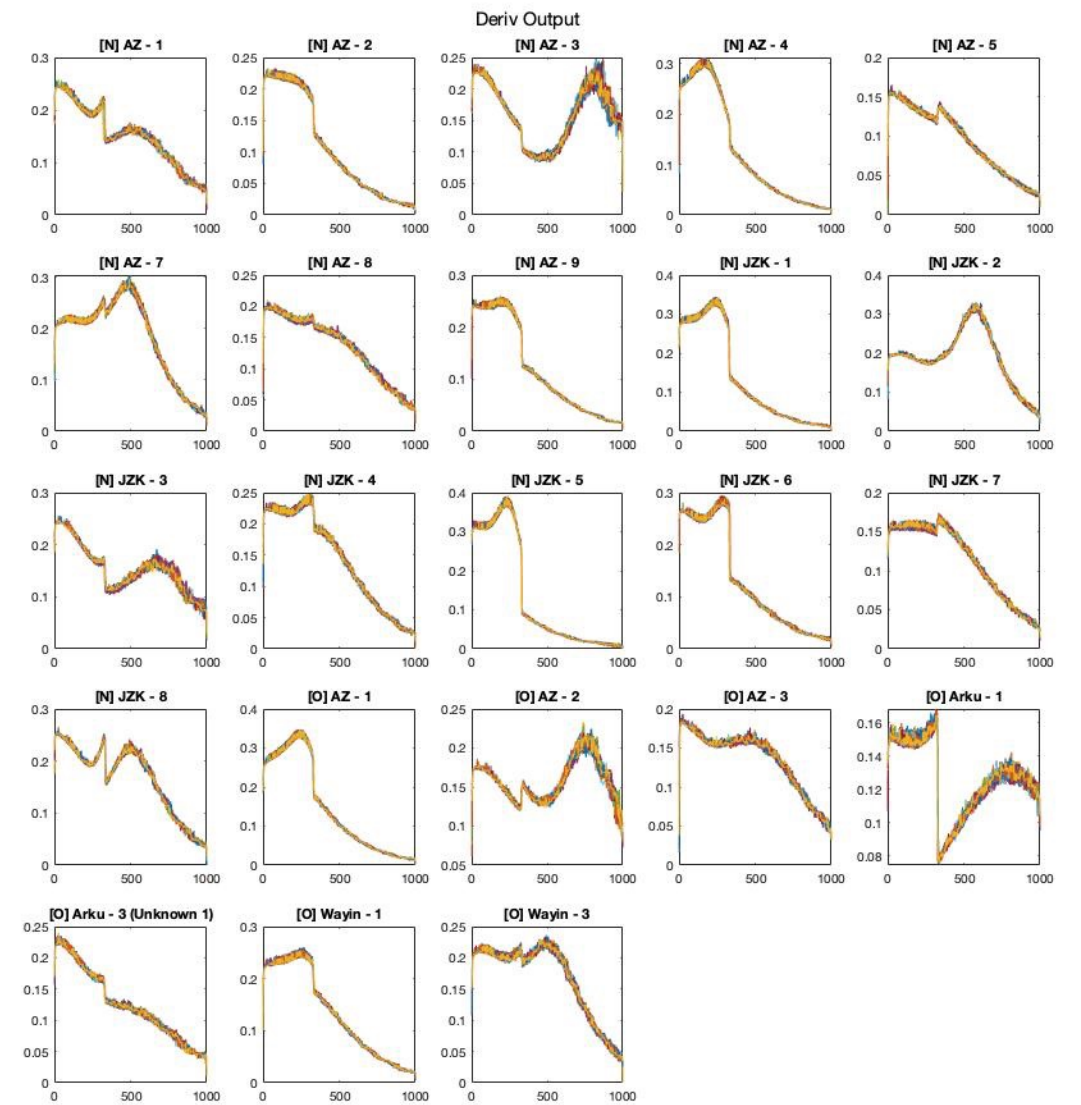
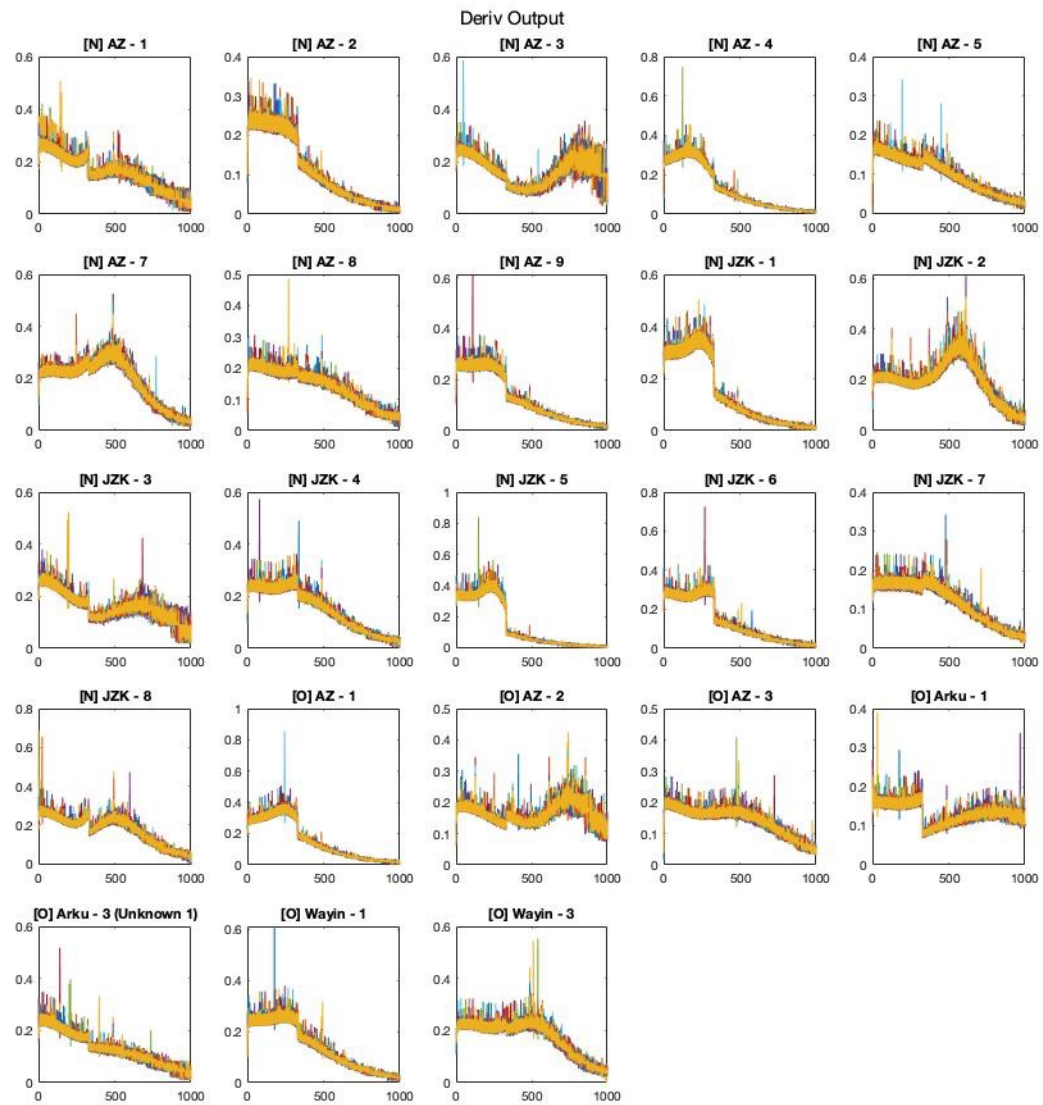


Image of signal pre/post noise removal



DATA CONVERSION {2}

Data Format #1: *gyr*

Upon collection, raw gyroscope data is separated into three axes.

We combine this data into one axis through computing the vector length (common practice).

$$gyr_i = \sqrt{gyr_x^2 i + gyr_y^2 i + gyr_z^2 i}$$

Data Format #2: *deriv*

We also compute the **first derivative** of the sensor sequences.

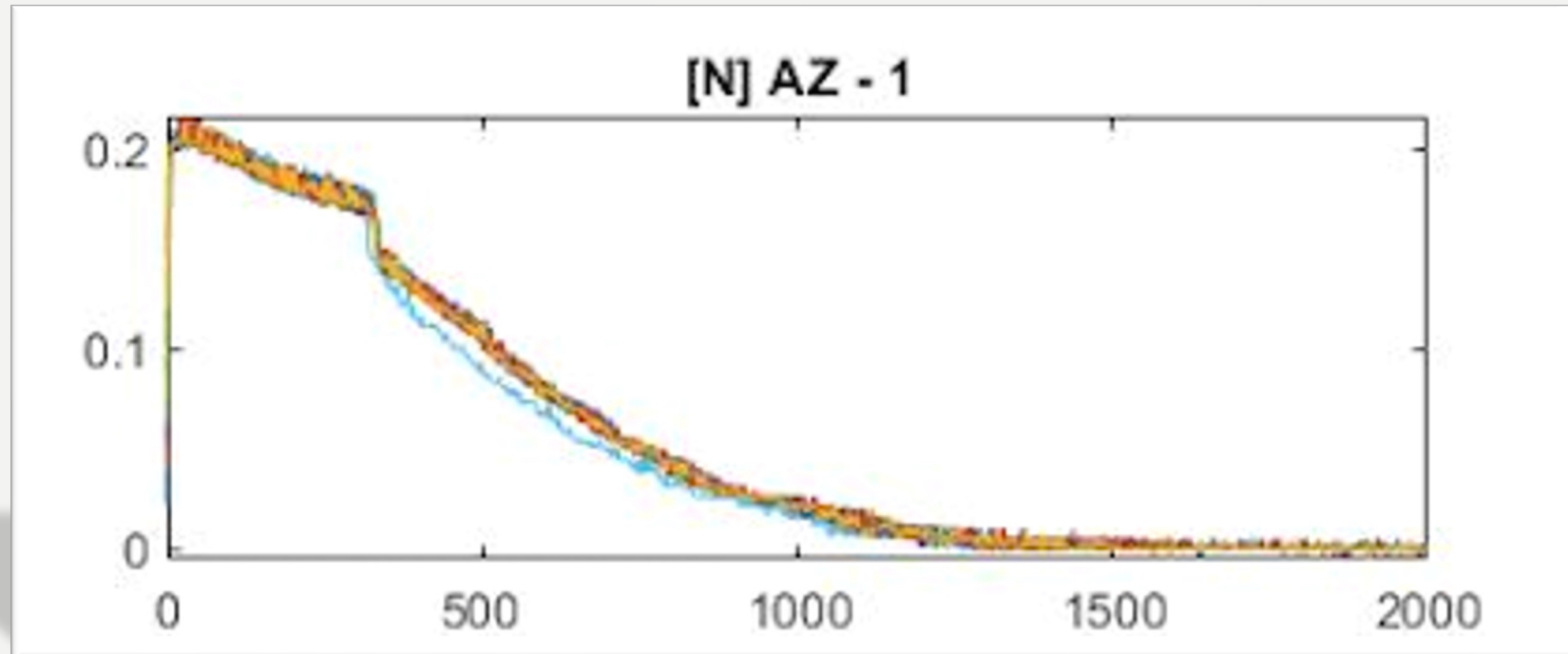
The first derivative was useful for data visualisation.

$$deriv_i = \frac{(gyr_i - gyr_{i-1}) + ((gyr_{i+1} - gyr_{i-1})/2)}{2}$$

TRUNCATION {3}

The sensors take appx. 2000 datapoints to self-calibrate at **start-up**.

Truncation attempts to answer the following: *How much of this data is fingerprintable?*



PRE-PROCESSING SUMMARY

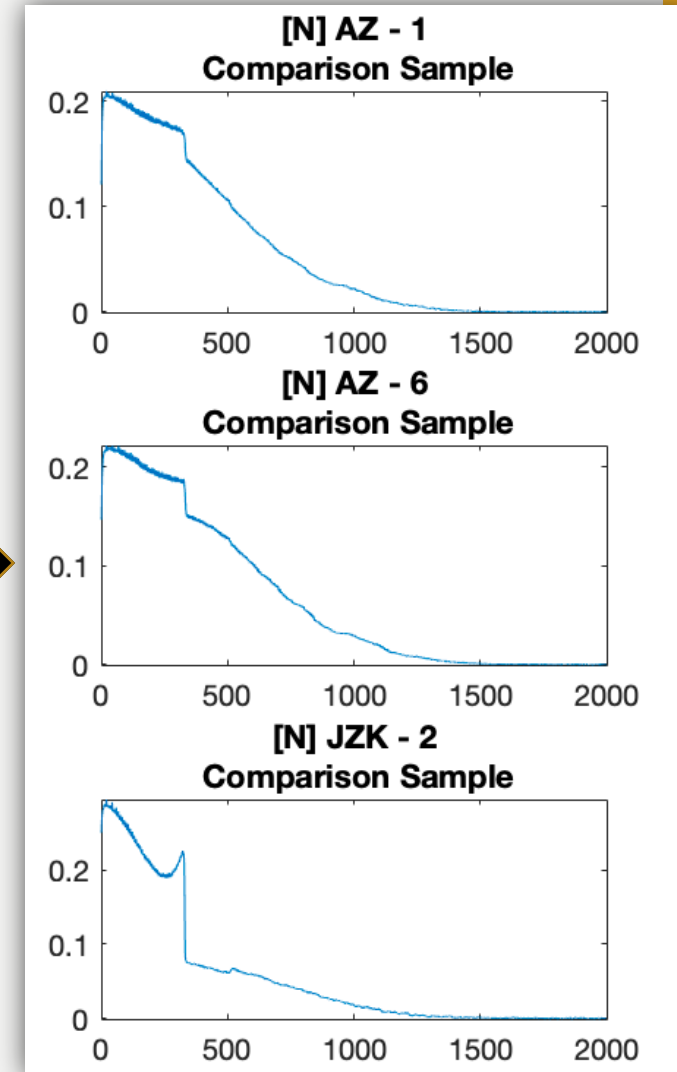
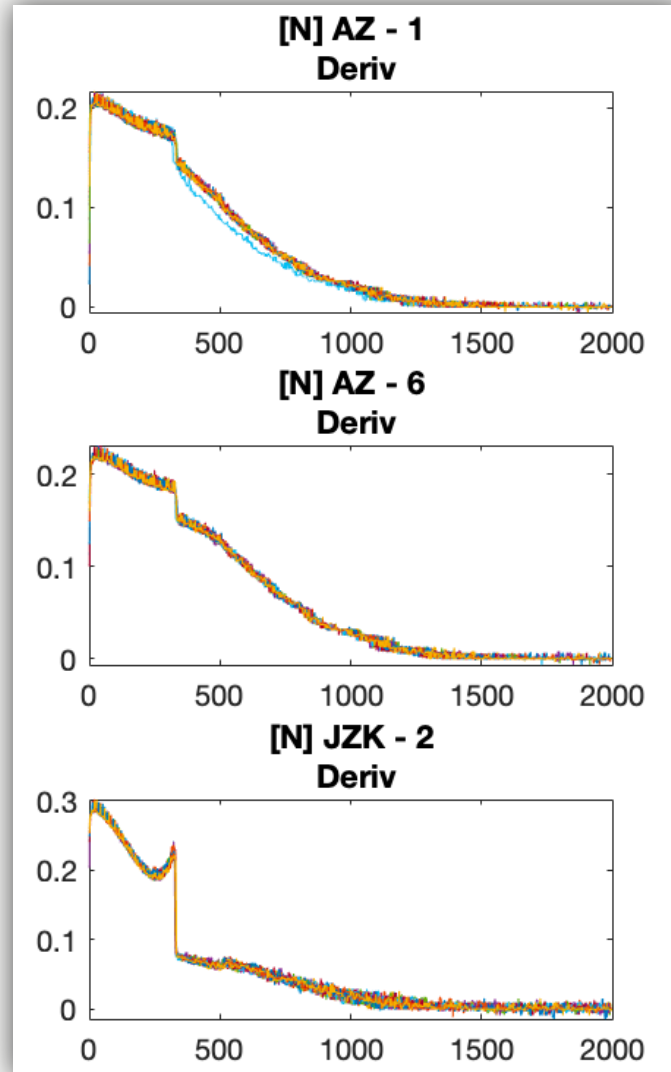
- Noise Removal
- Converting into usable data format
- Data Truncation

TEMPLATE GENERATION

TEMPLATES

In the context of an identification system, **templates** are needed as a **reference** to an entity upon identification.

The controllable variable for template generation is the **number of rounds** of data used.



QUANTISATION

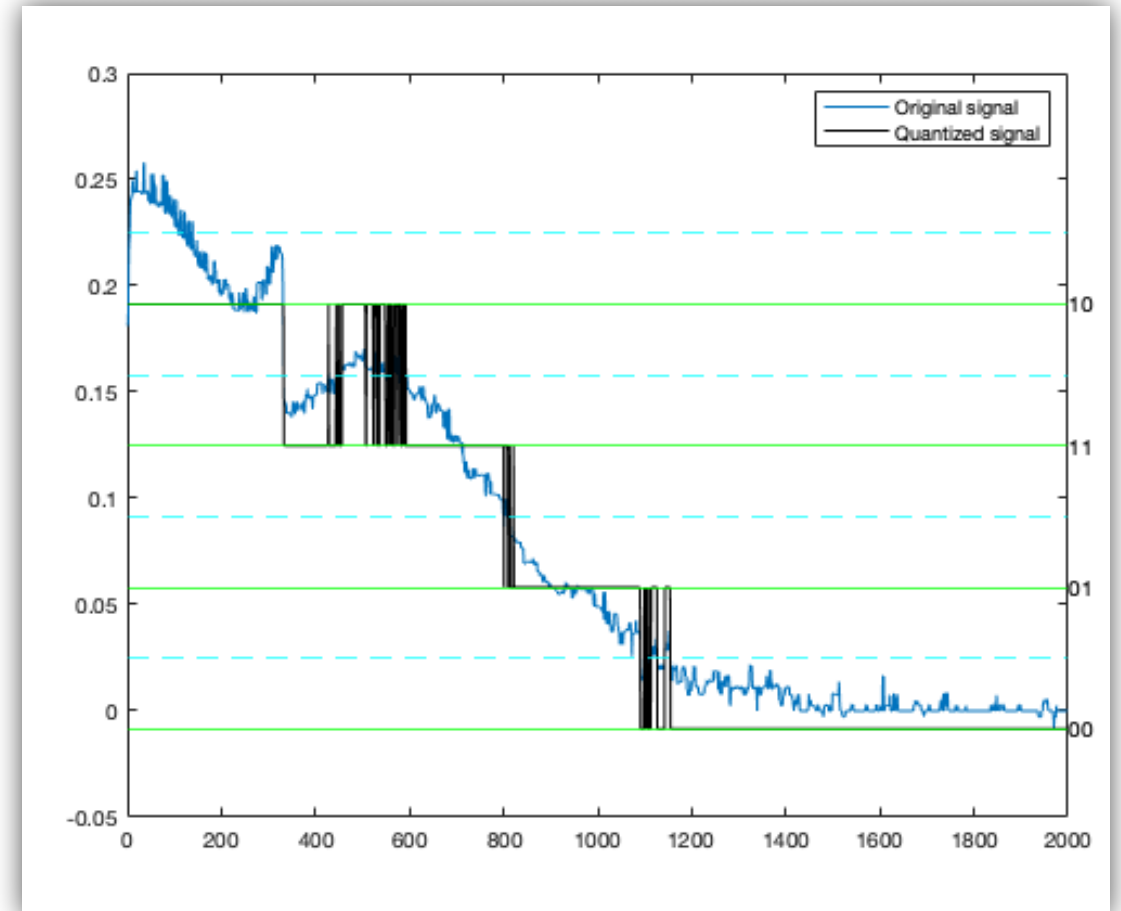
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QUANTISATION EXPLAINED

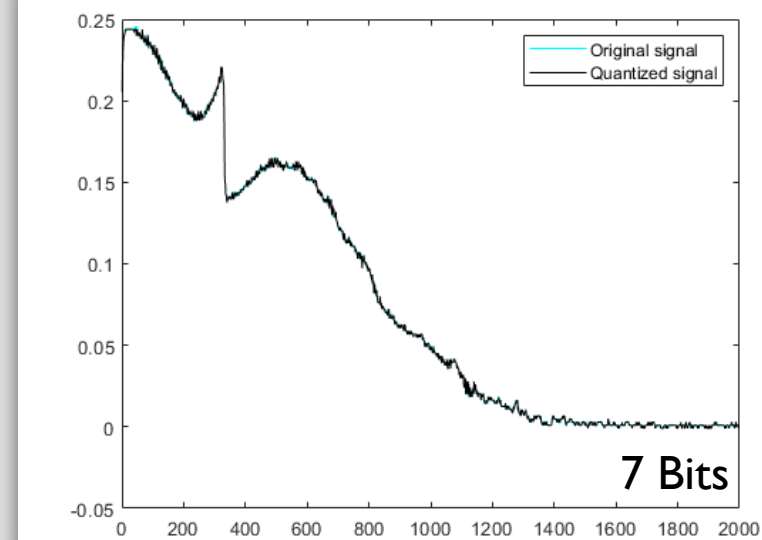
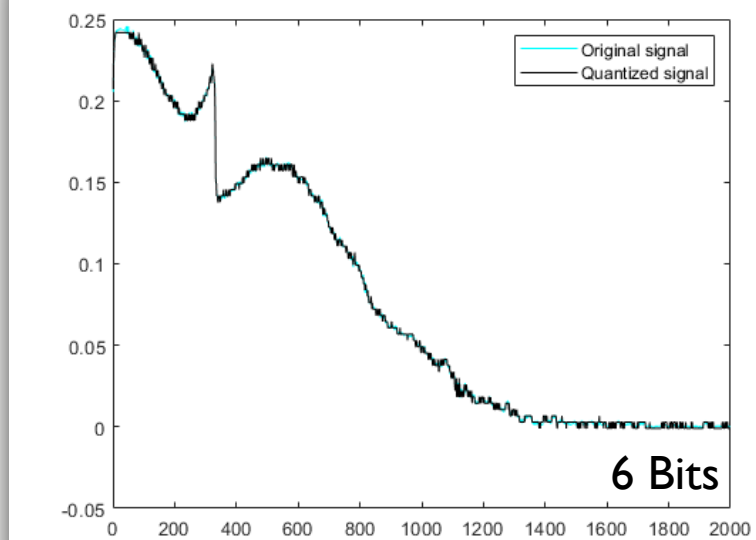
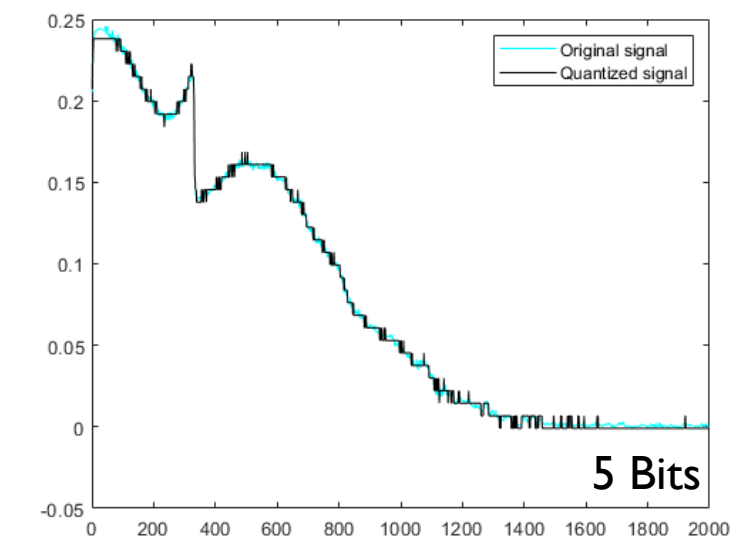
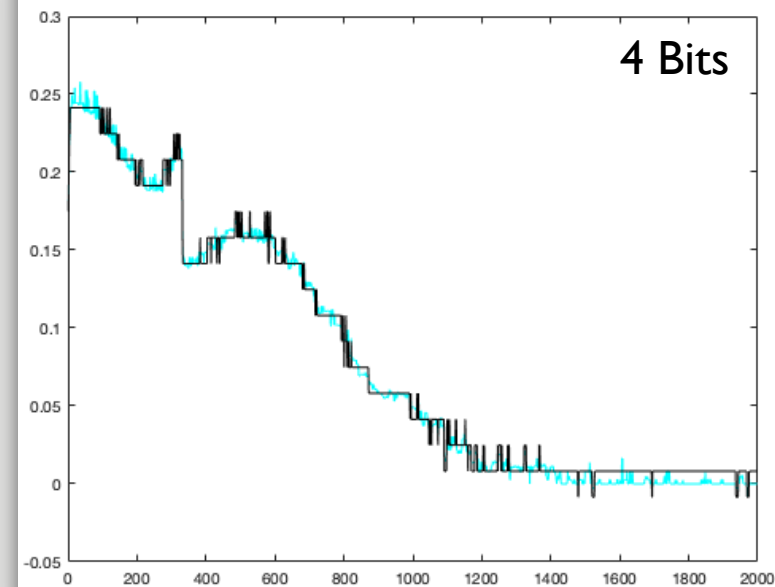
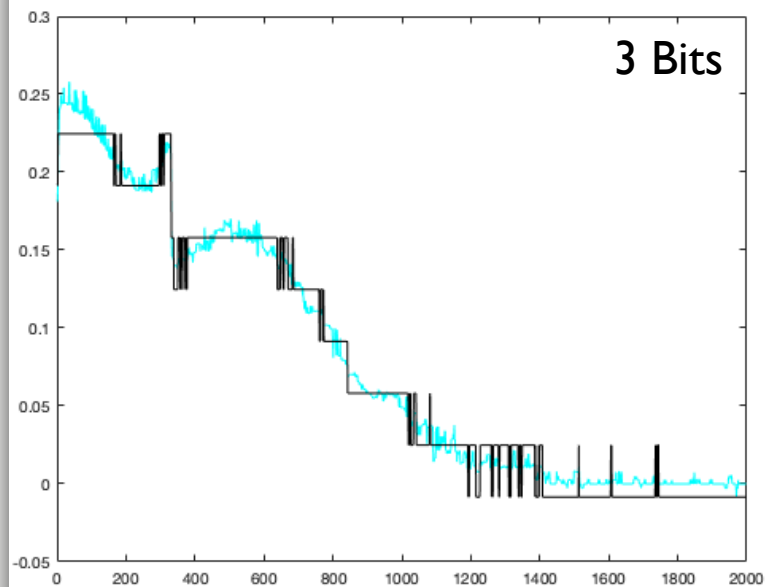
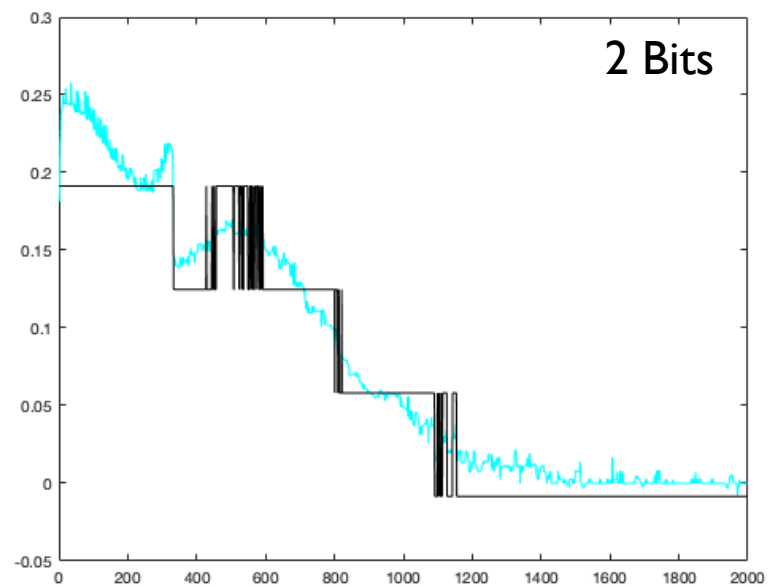
Quantisation is used to convert sensor sequences into **binary**!

This enables us to:

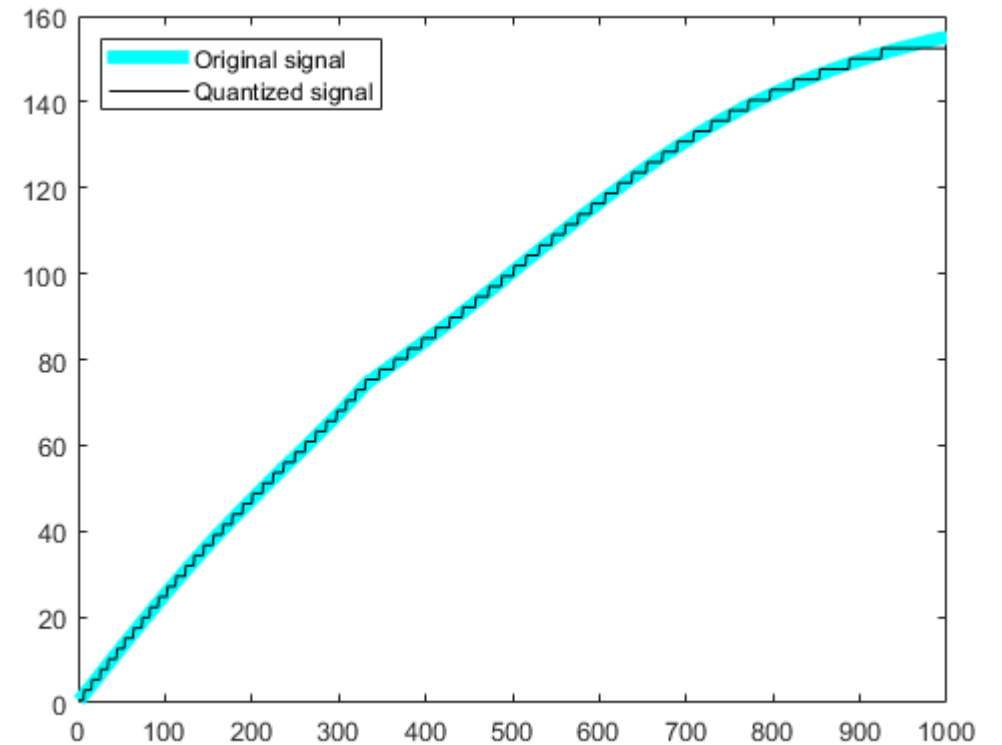
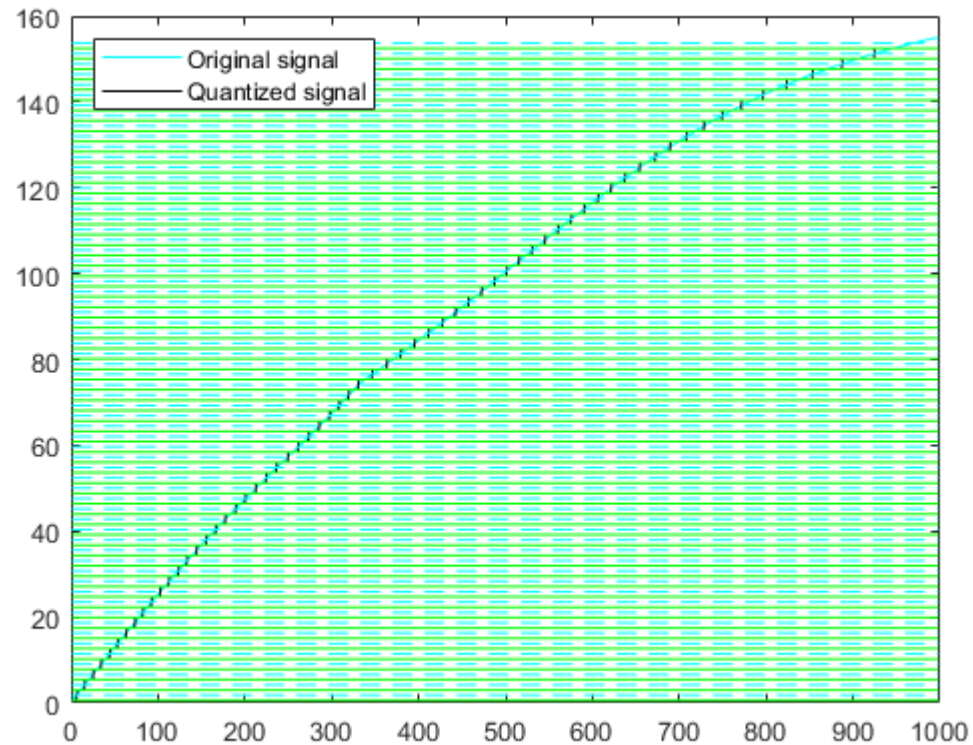
- Perform analytics much more easily.
- Compute the *Hamming Distance*.
- Generate key material/fingerprints.



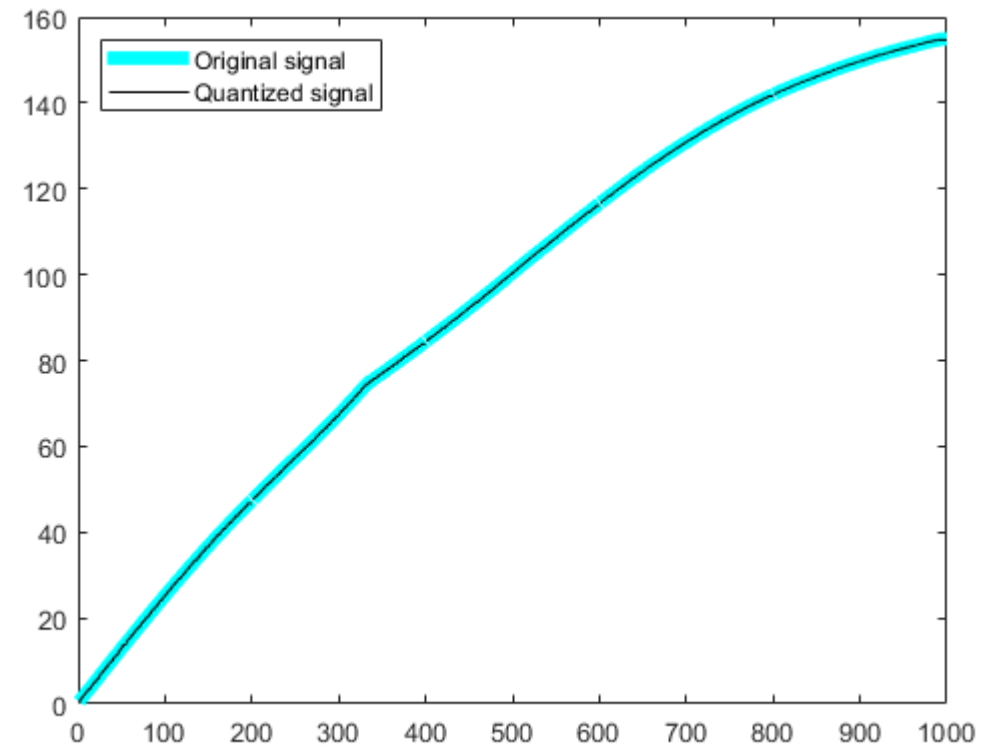
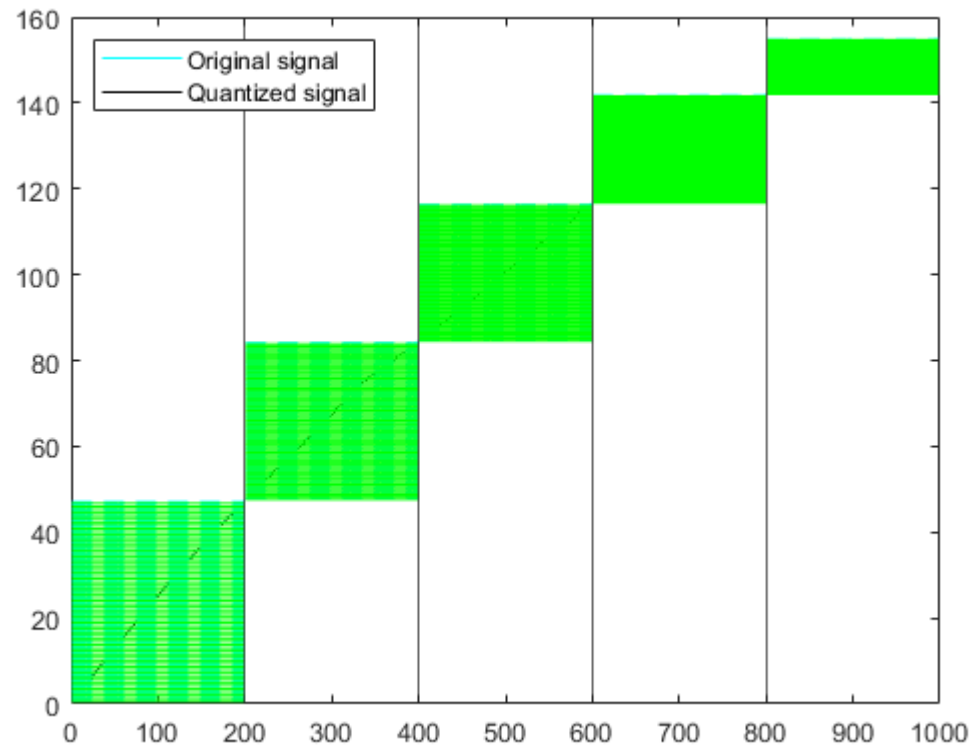
Example of signal quantised at a resolution of 2-bits
(1st Derivative)



EXAMPLE SIGNAL QUANTISED AT 6-BITS

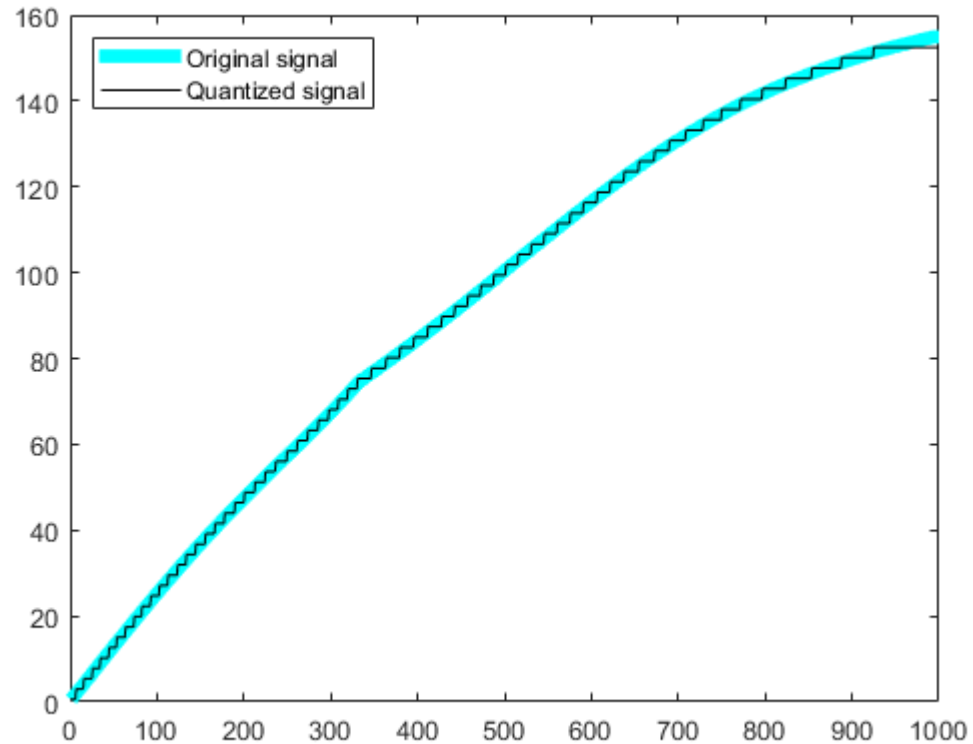


SPLITTING SIGNAL INTO SEGMENTS

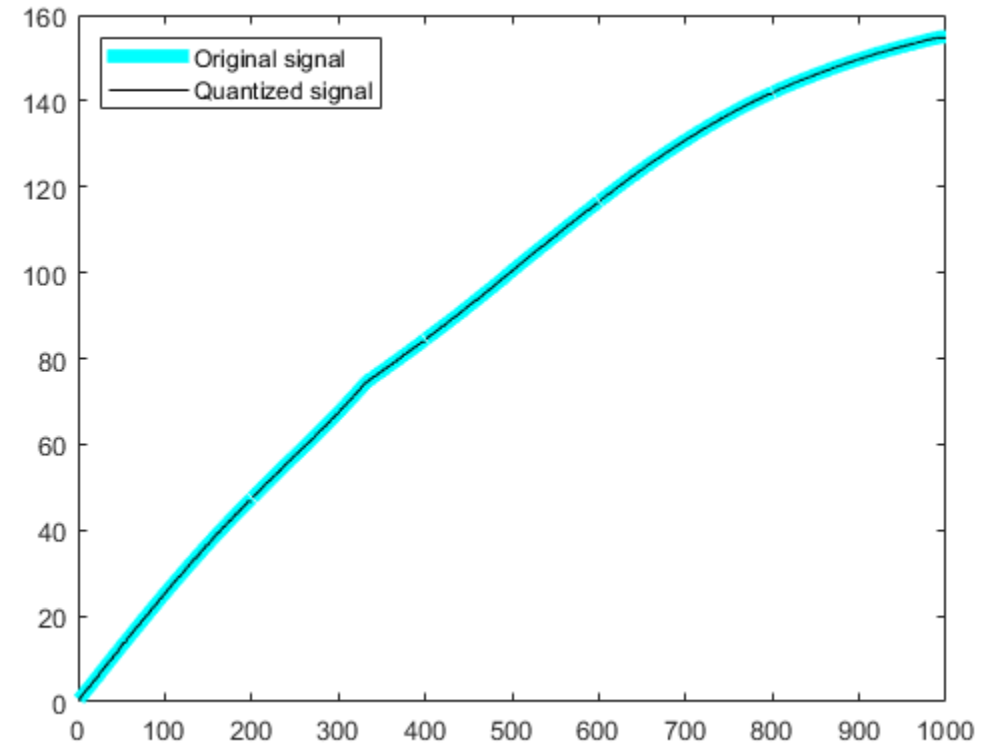


COMPARISON

'STANDARD' QUANTISATION

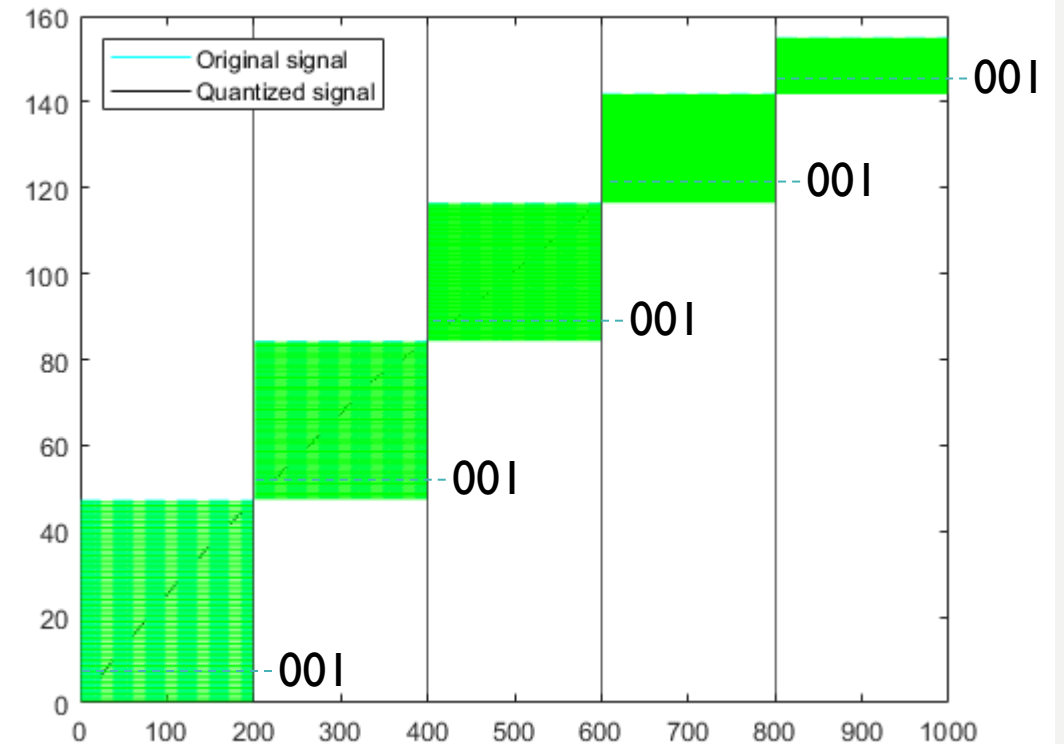
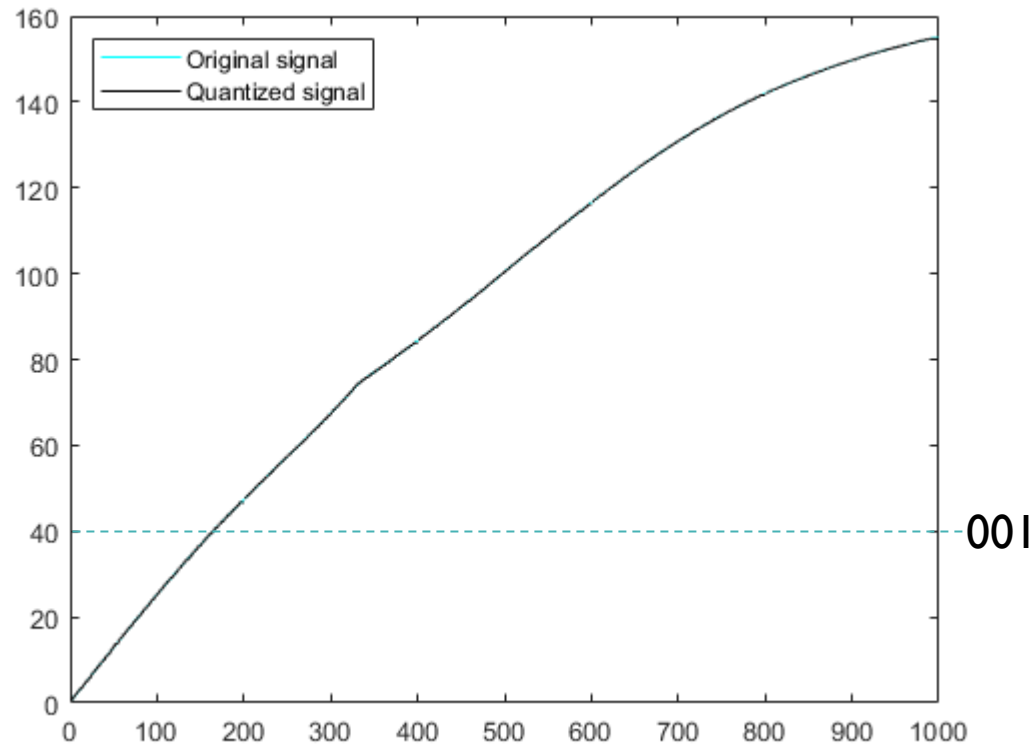


OUR APPROACH



COMPARISON {2}

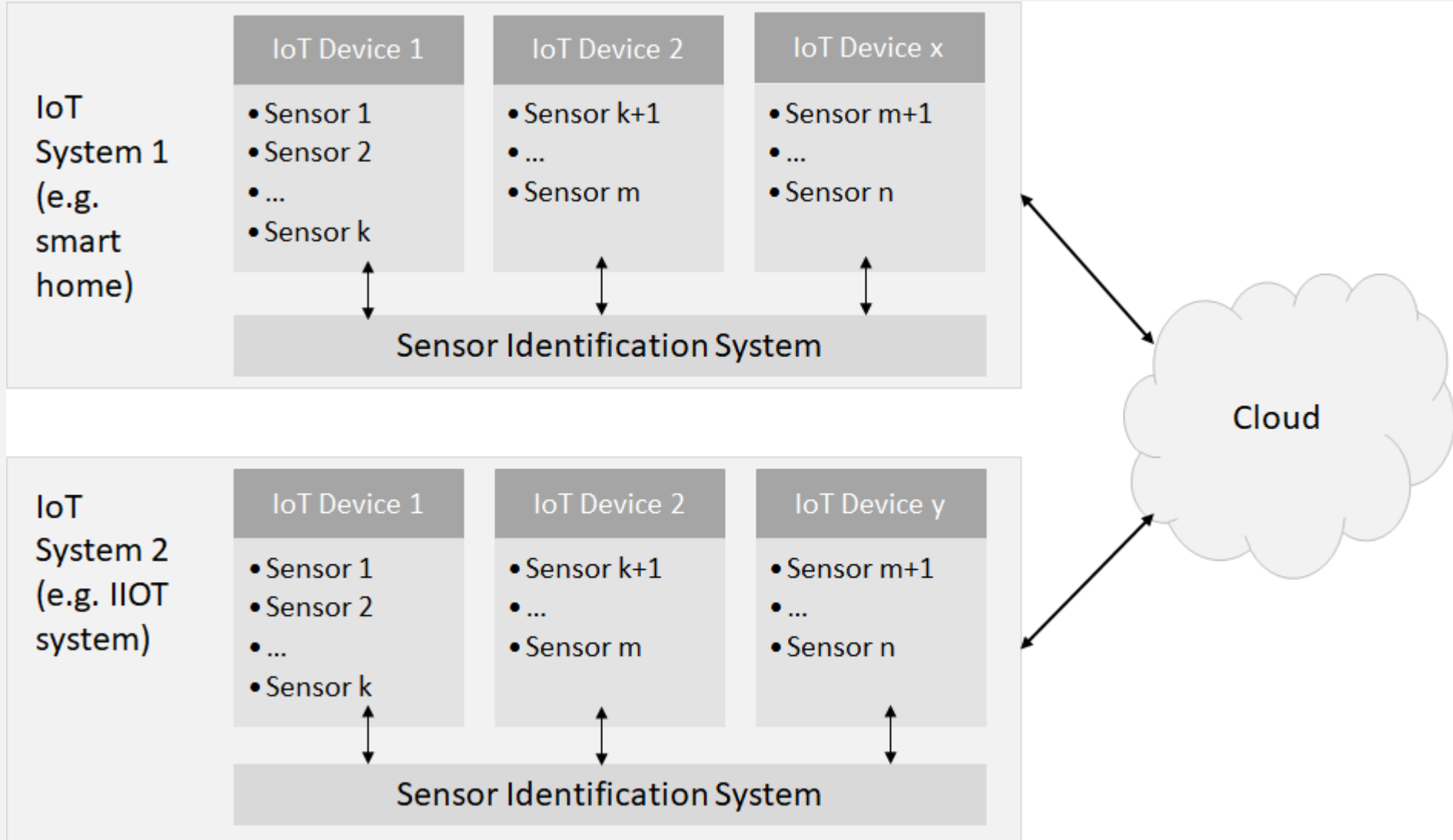
As our signals are travelling in one direction, certain binary patterns no longer appear after a certain point.



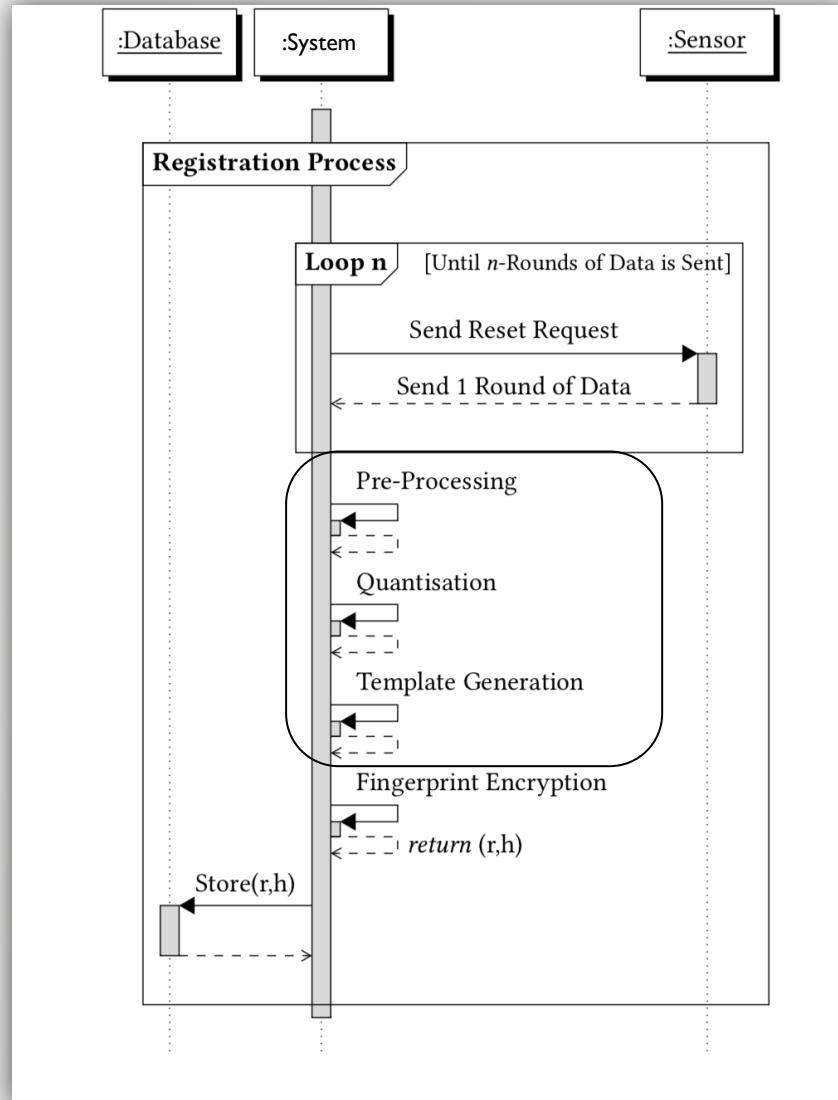
PROOF-OF-CONCEPT IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM (... AND RESULTS)

**CAN OUR FINGERPRINTS ACTUALLY BE USED?
(SPOILER: YES!)**

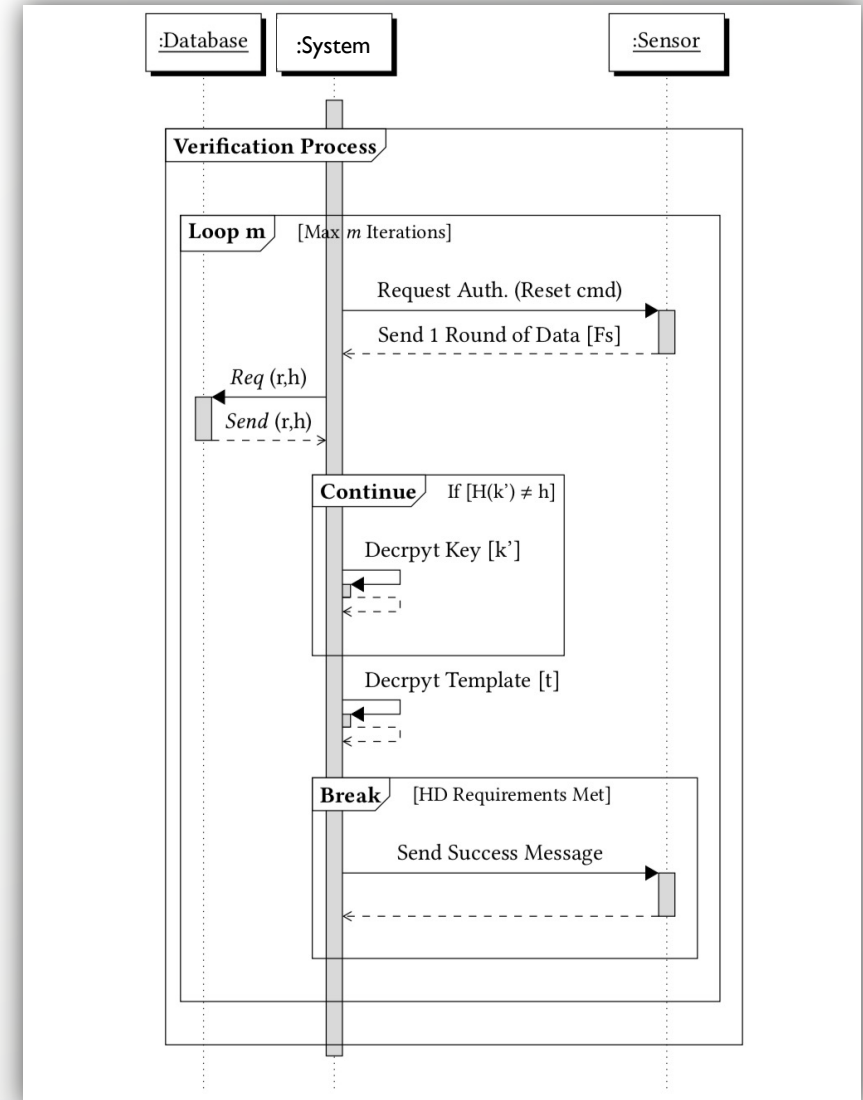
OVERVIEW



REGISTRATION



VERIFICATION



PROOF-OF-CONCEPT PERFORMANCE

Dataset Size: 23 (MPU-6050)

Template Rounds	No. comparisons (Inter, Intra)	Fingerprint Size: 4096 No. False (Accept, Reject)	Fingerprint Size: 2048 No. False (Accept, Reject)
11 (1)	(10,120, 460)	(0, 0)	(0, 0)
11 (2)	(10,120, 460)	(0, 0)	(0, 0)
5 (1)	(13,156, 598)	(0, 0)	(0, 0)
5 (2)	(13,156, 598)	(0, 0)	(0, 0)
5 (3)	(13,156, 598)	(0, 0)	(0, 0)
3 (1)	(14,168, 644)	(0, 1)	(0, 1)*
3 (2)	(14,168, 644)	(0, 0)	(0, 0)
3 (3)	(14,168, 644)	(0, 0)	(0, 0)
1 (1)	(15,180, 690)	(0, 5)	(4, 0)
1 (2)	(15,180, 690)	(0, 4)	(4, 0)
1 (3)	(15,180, 690)	(1, 1)	(0, 2)
1 (4)	(15,180, 690)	(0, 0)	(1, 1)

* Denotes a possible 0% EER upon adjusting threshold

We are able to achieve 0% EER's when using 3 or more rounds of data.

We take this as proof of the effectiveness of an identification system based off of our fingerprints!

ENTROPY

We estimate our solution to contain 38-bits of entropy.

$$N = \frac{\mu(1 - \mu)}{\sigma^2}$$

CRITICAL POPULATION SIZE

- Number of sensors which can be individually fingerprinted before a collision is more likely than not.
- Our estimated CPS is **177** and **195** for 2048 and 4096 bit long fingerprints, respectively.
- We have observed an increase in CPS with an increase in dataset size

$$(1 - FMR)^{N(N-1)/2} < 0.5,$$

where $FMR = FAR \div 100$

SUMMARY

- We are able to **fingerprint** sensors (gyroscope) through its output alone
- We have proven the feasibility of our fingerprints being used for **identification** purposes
 - 0% **EER** when 3+ rounds of data are used for the template
- We are able to **uniquely** identify up to 195 sensors for a given identification system

FUTURE WORK

- Fingerprinting Different Types of Sensors (Gyroscope, Accelerometer)
- Ageing
- Multiple Sensor Fingerprint
- Real-World Identification System

CURRENT WORK: ICM-20948

All experimentations so far are based on the **mpu-6050**.

There was a chance of our approach being highly correlated with the output of this IMU.

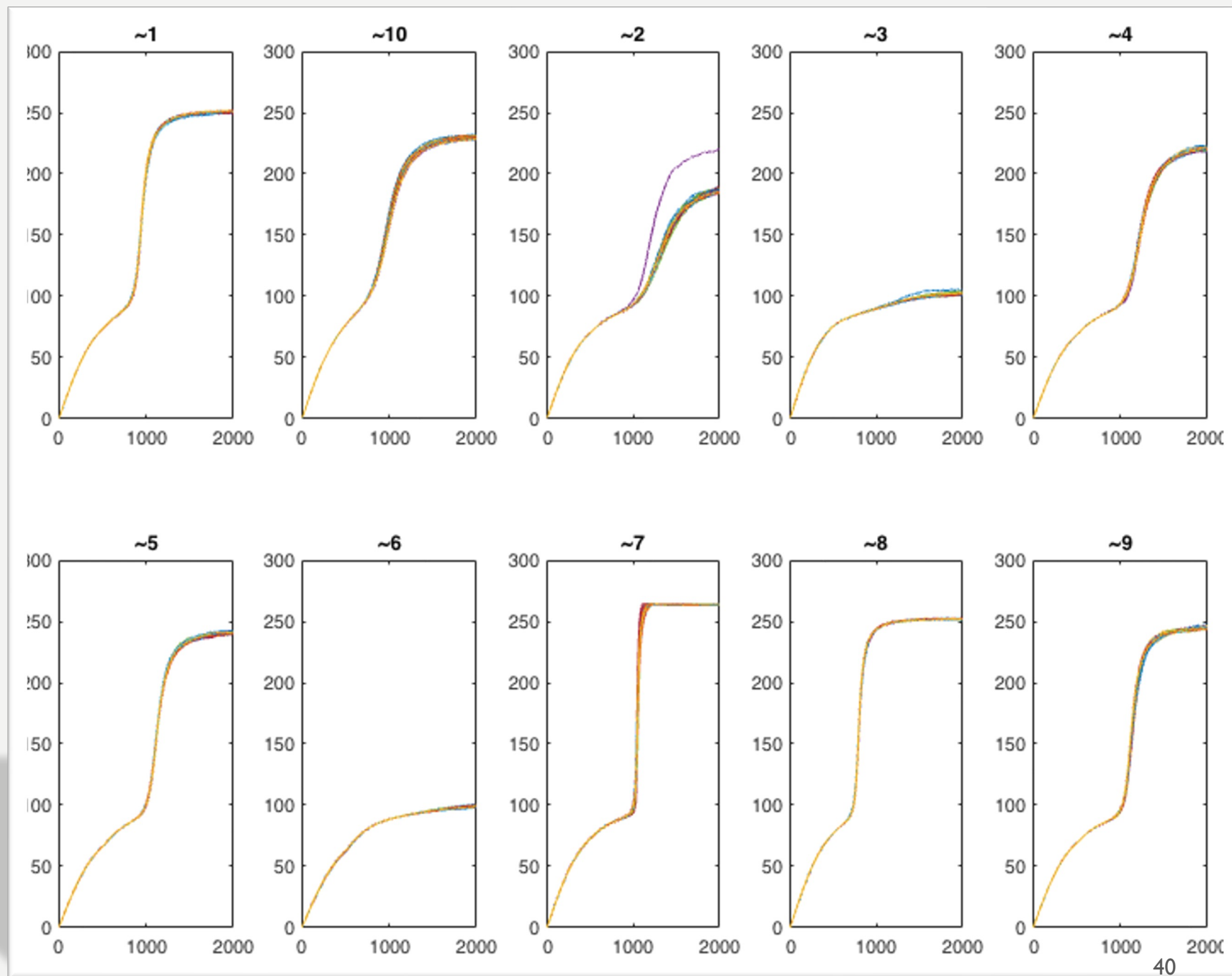
To address this, we re-ran our experiments on a recently released sensor: *ICM-20948*.



ICM-20948

TIME TO DO IT ALL AGAIN!

ICM-20948 DATASET

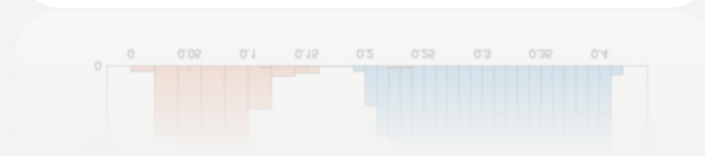
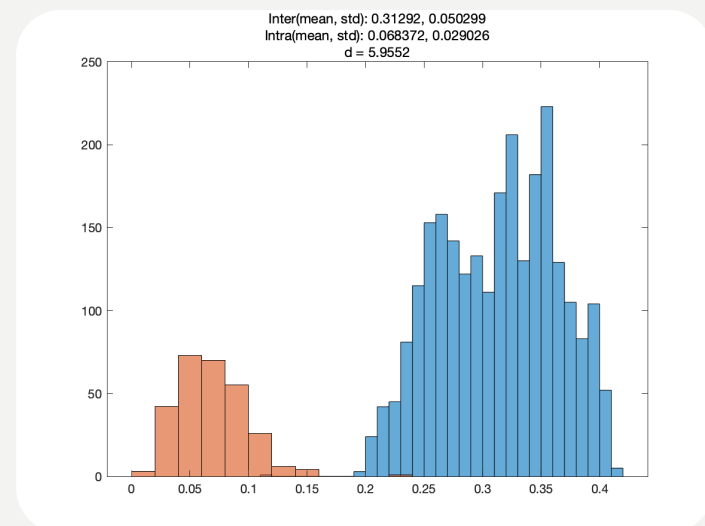
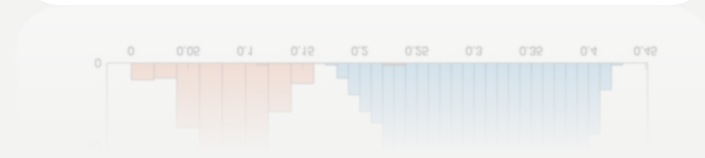
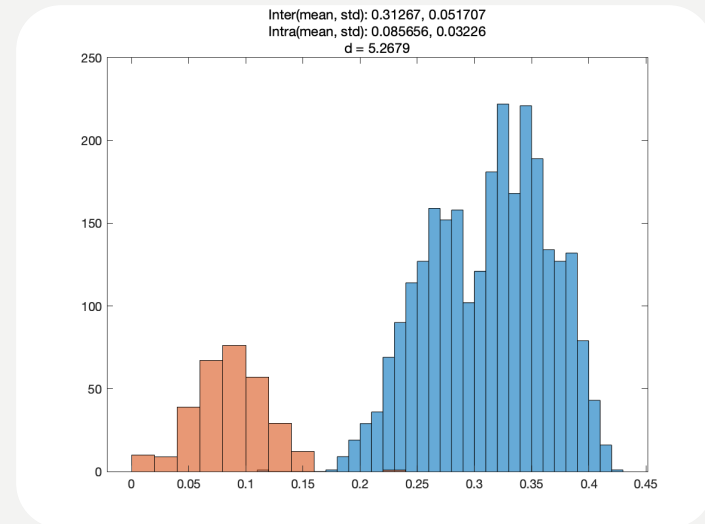


GENERALISATION (VERY BRIEF SUMMARY)

Experiments were run on a small dataset of 10 sensors

Template Rounds	No. Comparisons (Inter, Intra)		Fingerprint Size	No. False (Accept, Reject)	
"1(1)"	2700	300	2048	8	12
"1(2)"	2700	300	2048	2	1
"1(3)"	2700	300	2048	1	1
"1(4)"	2700	300	2048	1	1
"3(1)"	2520	280	2048	1	1
"3(2)"	2520	280	2048	1	1
"3(3)"	2520	280	2048	1	1
"5(1)"	2340	260	2048	1	1
"5(2)"	2340	260	2048	1	1
"5(3)"	2340	260	2048	1	1
"10(1)"	1890	210	2048	1	1
"10(2)"	1890	210	2048	1	1
"10(3)"	1890	210	2048	1	1

Template Rounds	No. Comparisons (Inter, Intra)		Fingerprint Size	No. False (Accept, Reject)	
"1(1)"	2700	300	4096	0	34
"1(2)"	2700	300	4096	0	5
"1(3)"	2700	300	4096	0	2
"1(4)"	2700	300	4096	6	9
"3(1)"	2520	280	4096	1	4
"3(2)"	2520	280	4096	1	1
"3(3)"	2520	280	4096	0	2
"5(1)"	2340	260	4096	0	2
"5(2)"	2340	260	4096	0	2
"5(3)"	2340	260	4096	0	1
"10(1)"	1890	210	4096	0	1
"10(2)"	1890	210	4096	0	1
"10(3)"	1890	210	4096	0	1



QUESTIONS, COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS

THANK YOU!

