

Robust and Nonparametric Statistical Tools for Big Data in Neuroscience



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Motivation: fMRI problem



Figure: **Functional Magnetic Resonance**

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Figure: **Stimulus**

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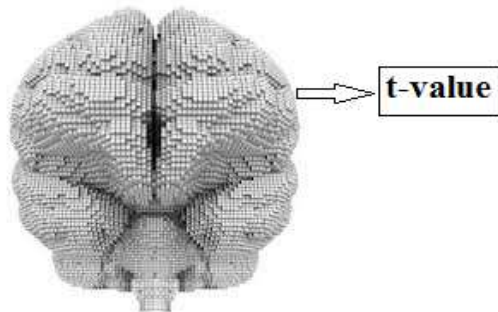


Figure: 900000 Voxels

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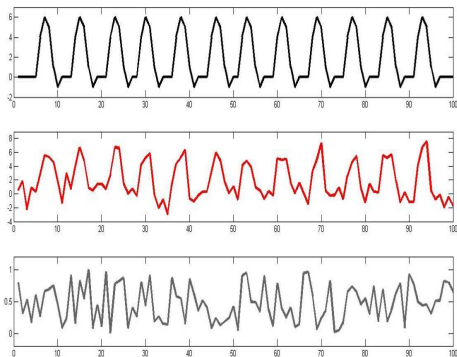


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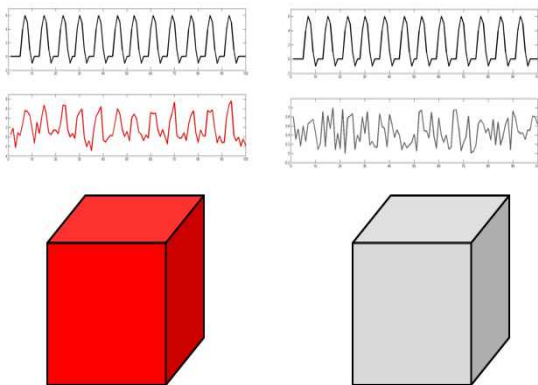


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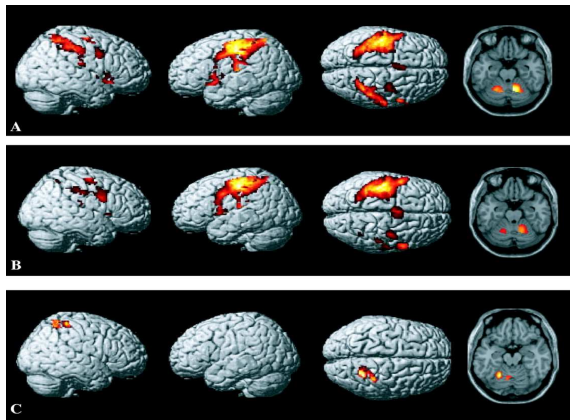


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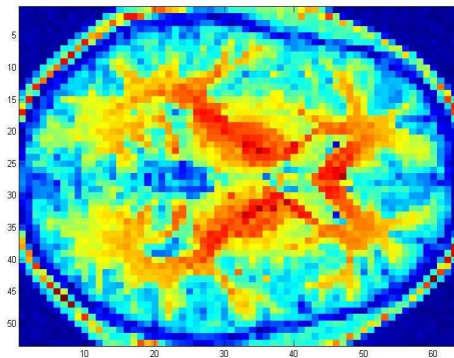
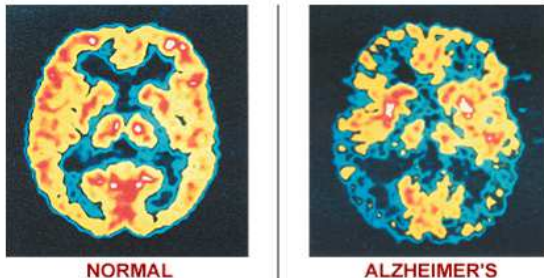


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BRAIN SCANS HELP IDENTIFY ALZHEIMER'S



Brain scans done with Positron Emission Tomography (PET) show how Alzheimer's affects brain activity. The left image shows a normal brain, while the right is from a person with Alzheimer's. The blue and black areas in the right image indicate reduced brain activity resulting from the disease.

Images courtesy of Alzheimer's Disease Education and Referral Center, National Institute on Aging

Figure: **Identification**

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Significance in linear models can be improved with robust estimators or non parametric estimators

Outline

1. **Robustness: a fast review**
2. **General Lineal Model (GLM)**
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4. **Robust GLM, multivariate case**
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7. **Research lines**

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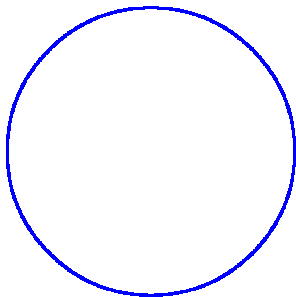
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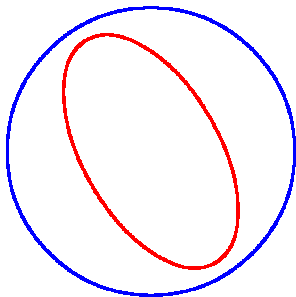
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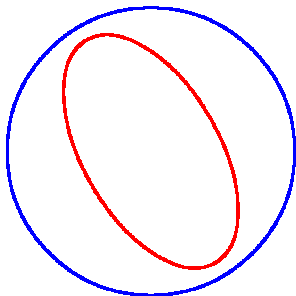


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$\mu = \int f(x)dx$ **the estimator** $\bar{X} = \frac{\sum x_i}{n}$

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| 0.176 | 0.2476 | 0.354 | 0.45153 | 0.5031 | 0.621 | 0.6654 |
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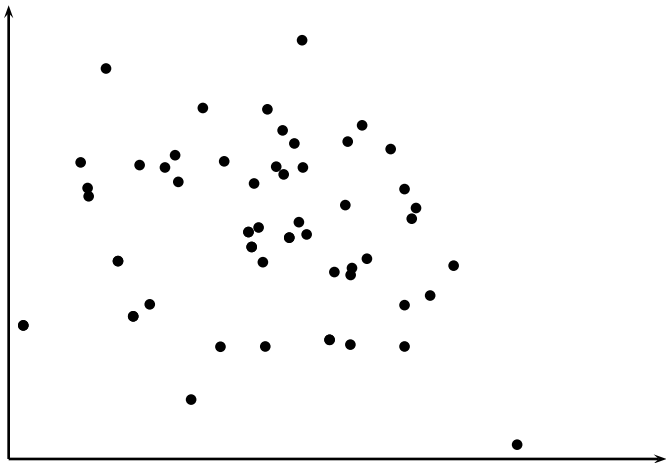
Trimmed mean

$$\bar{X}_\alpha = \frac{\sum_{i=k_1}^{k_2} x_{[i]}}{k_2 - k_1 + 1}$$

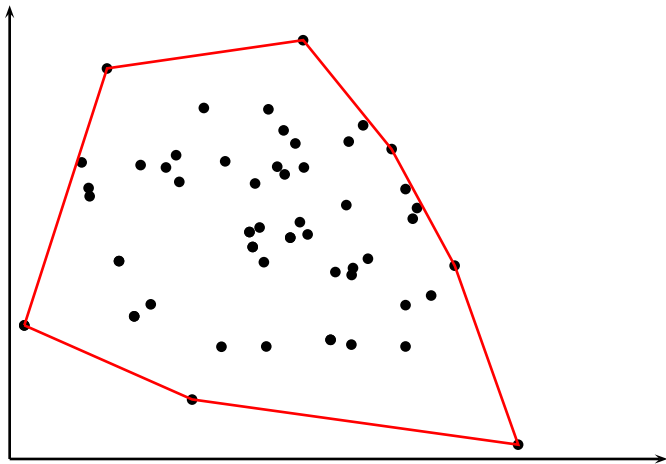
$$k_1 = \lceil \frac{\alpha}{2} n \rceil \quad k_2 = \lfloor n(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}) \rfloor$$

$$\bar{X}_{0.1} = 0.0503$$

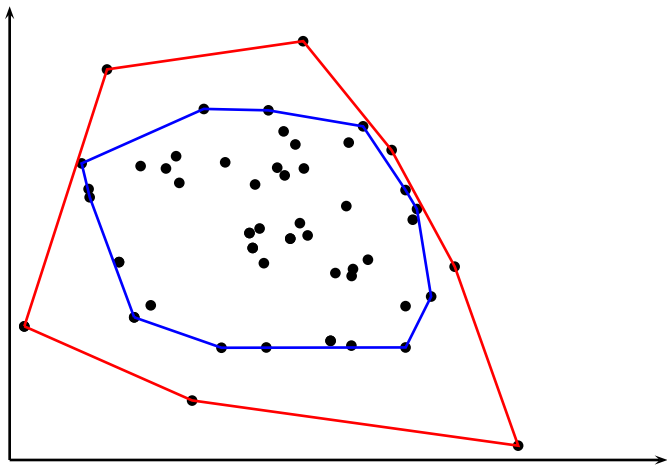
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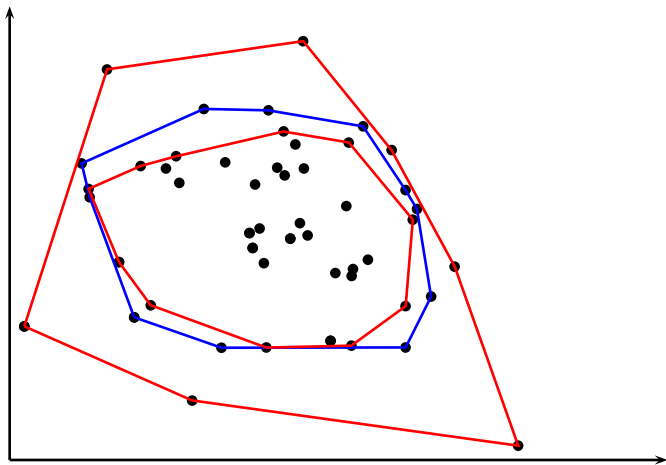
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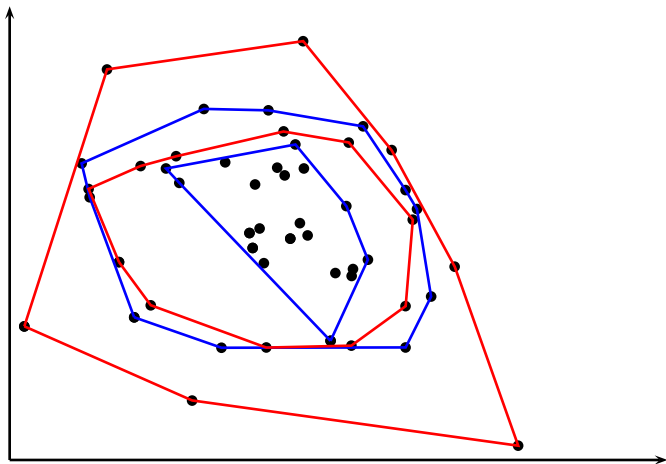
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Dependent uniform distribution in dimension 2

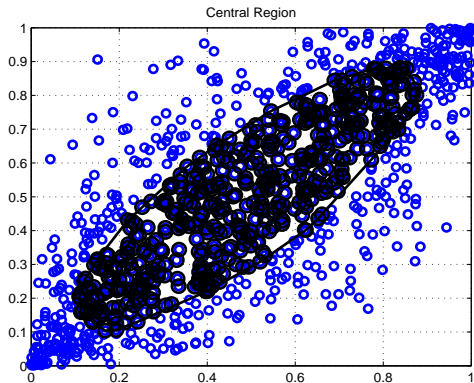


Figure: Random Tukey Depth

Normal distribution in dimension 3

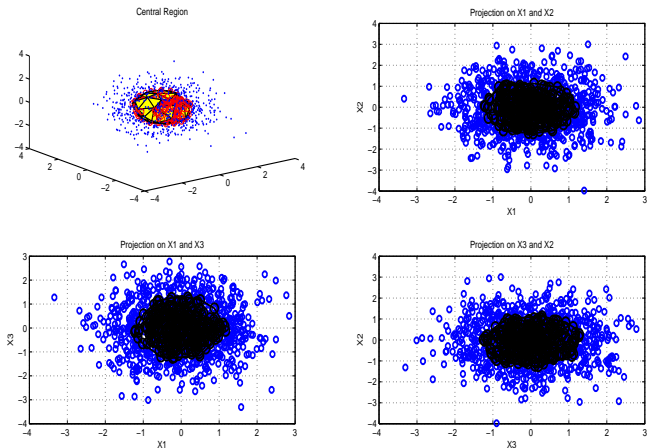


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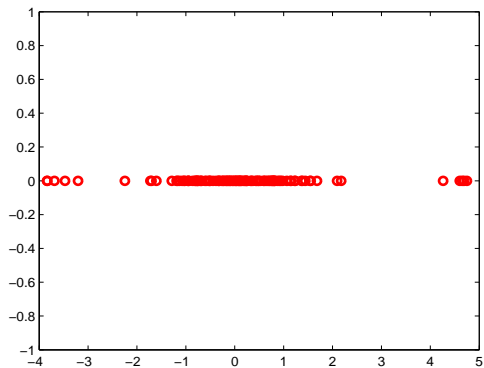


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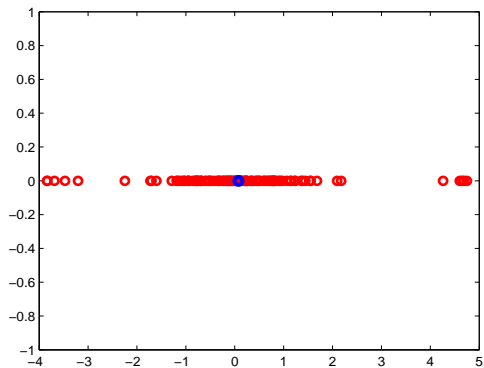


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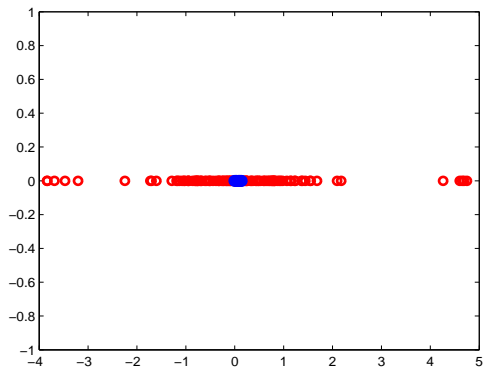


Figure: **Central Region** 10%

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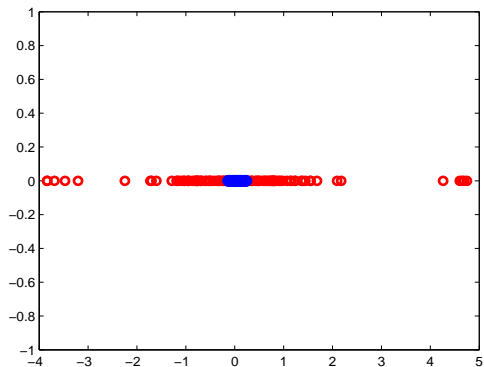


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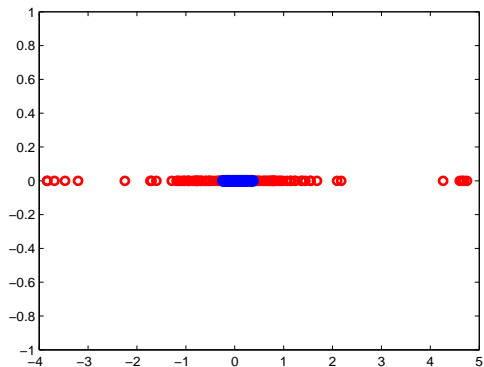


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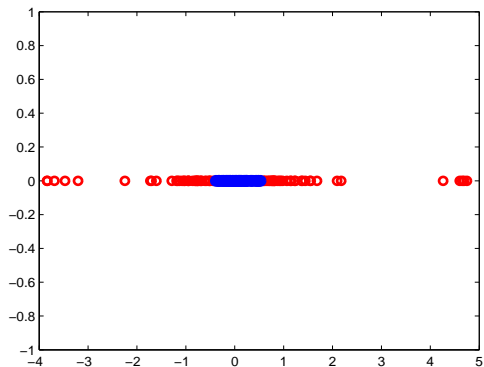


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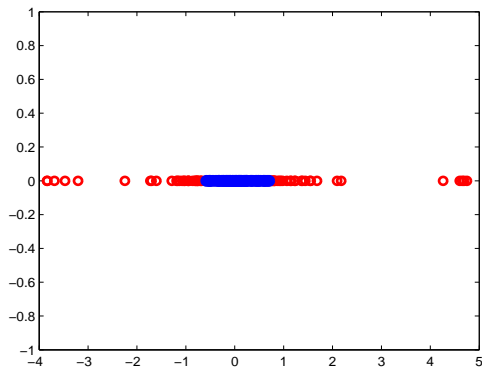


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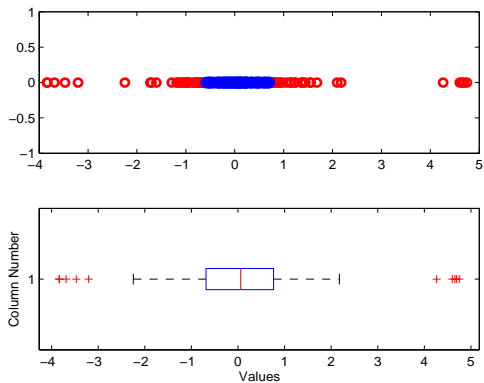


Figure: **Box plot**

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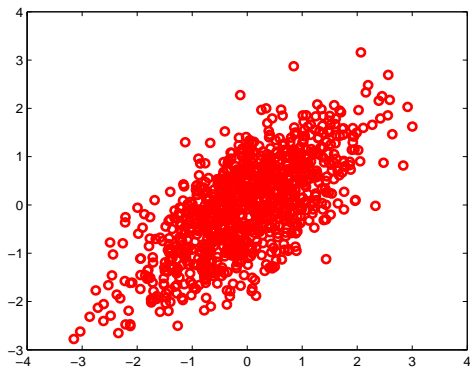


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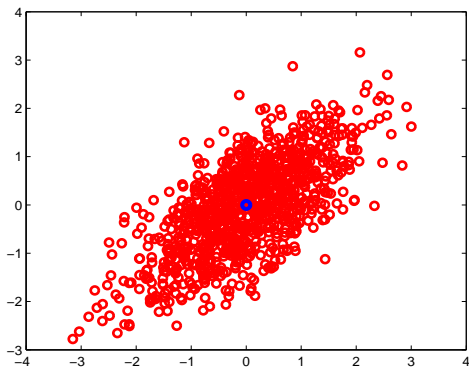


Figure: **deepest point**

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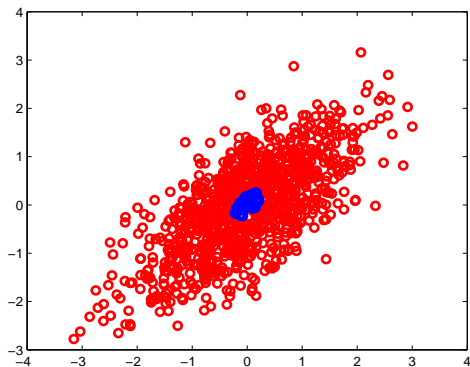


Figure: **Central Region** 10%

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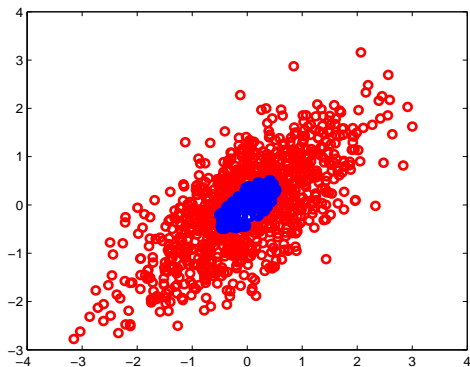


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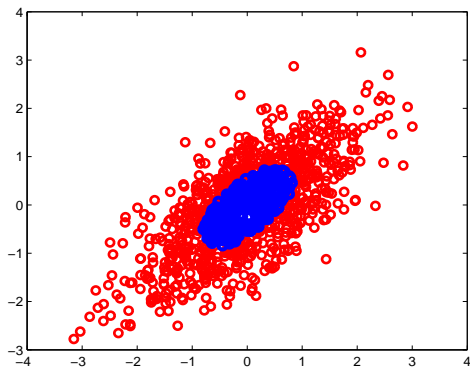


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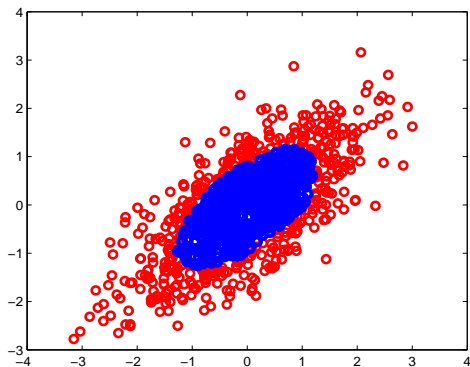


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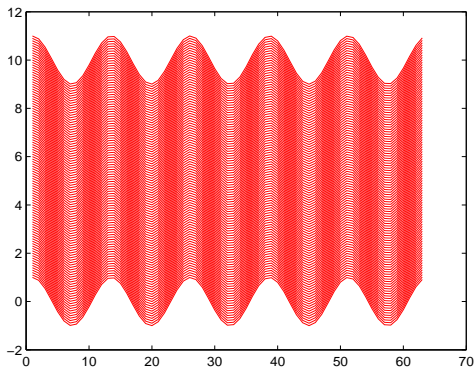


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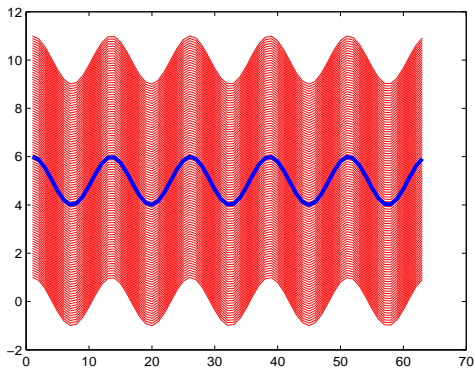


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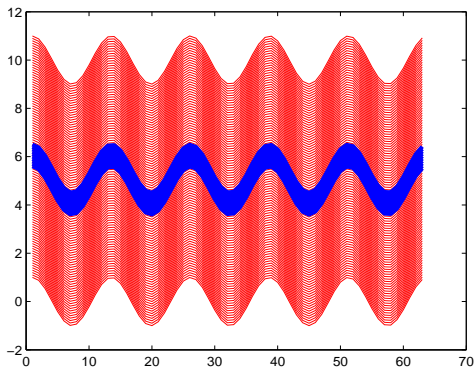


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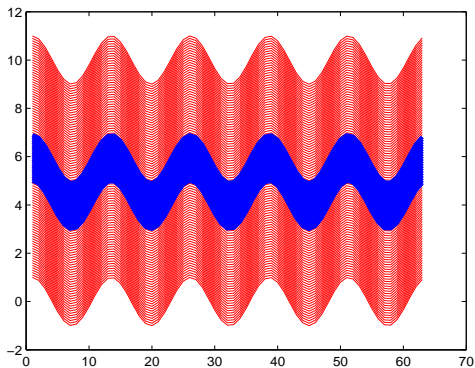


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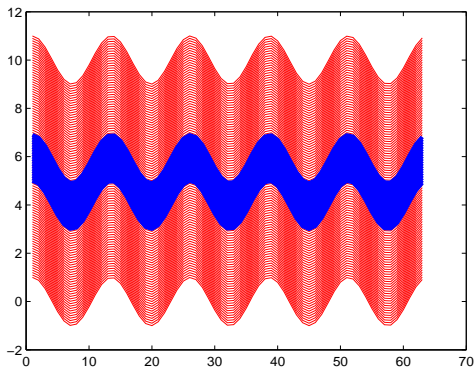


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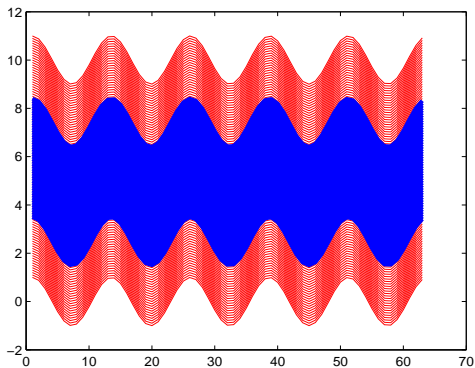


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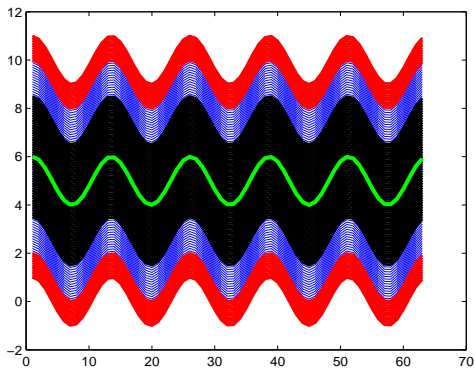


Figure: Central Region, **Extremes**

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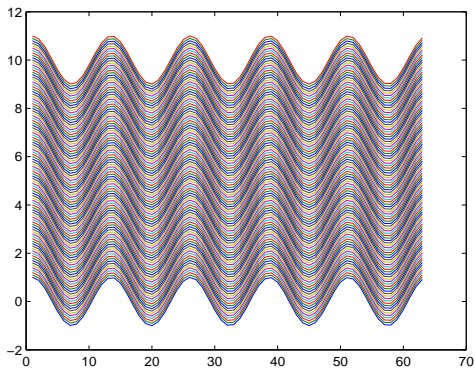


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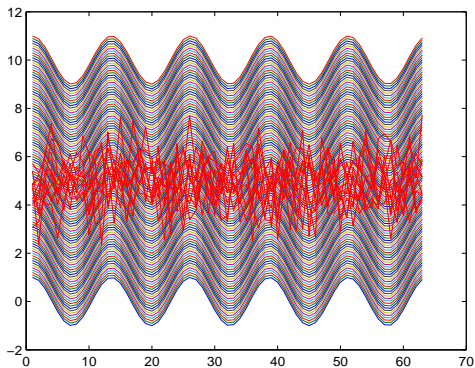


Figure: Contaminated Data

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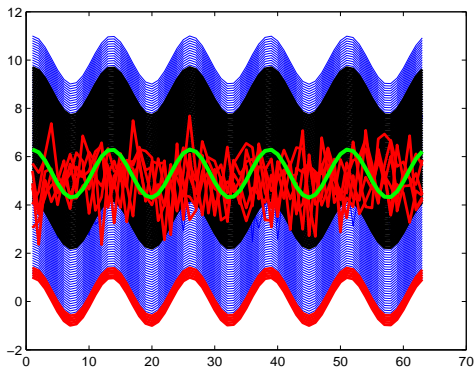


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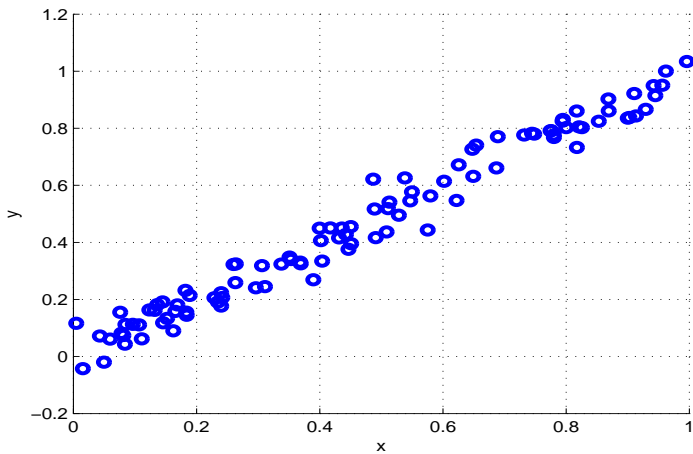
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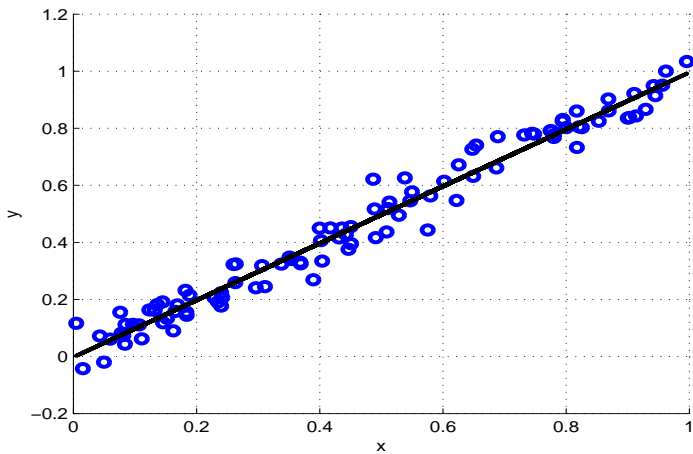
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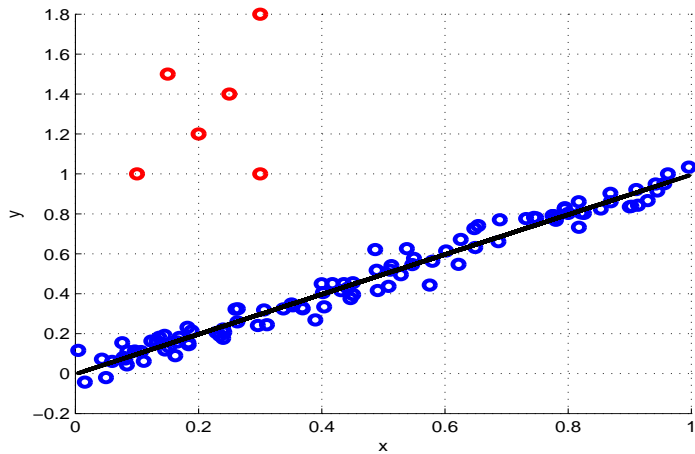
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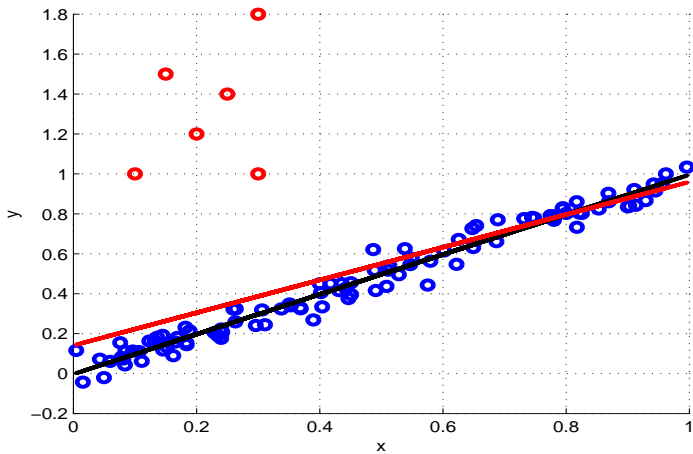
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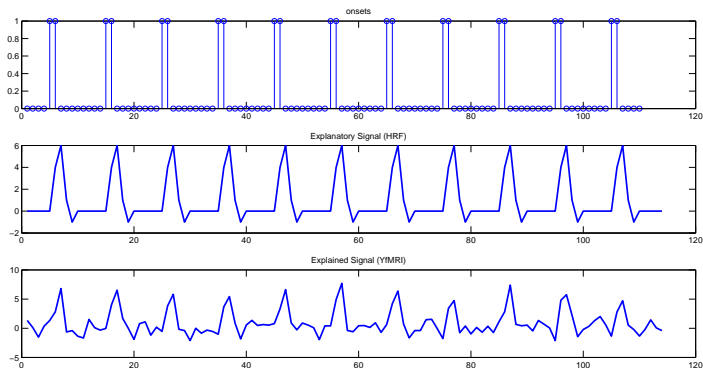
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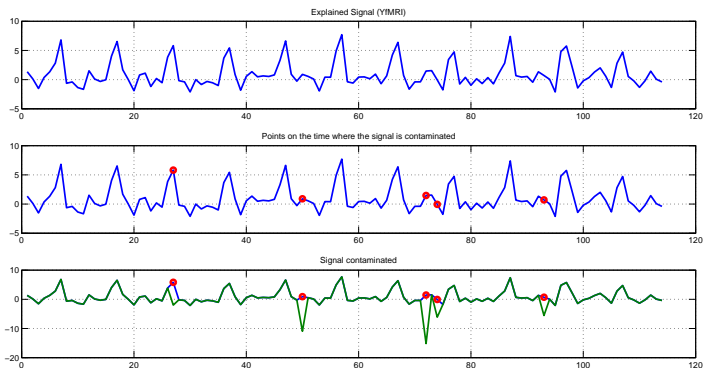
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Significant variable



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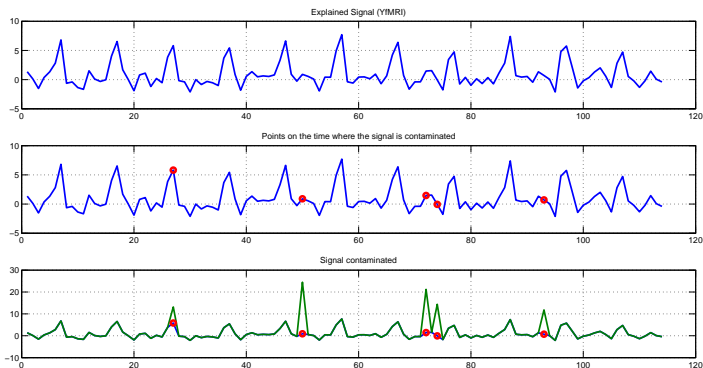
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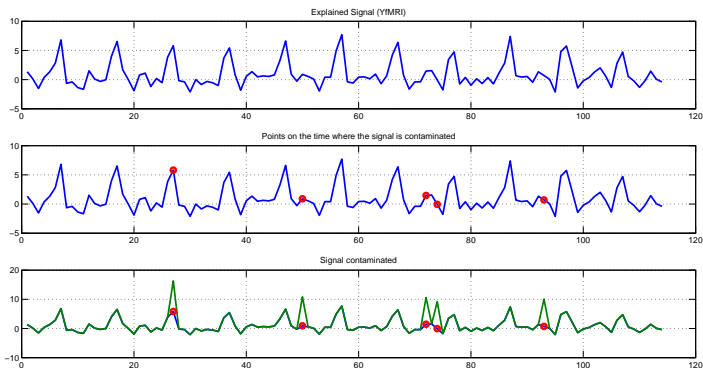
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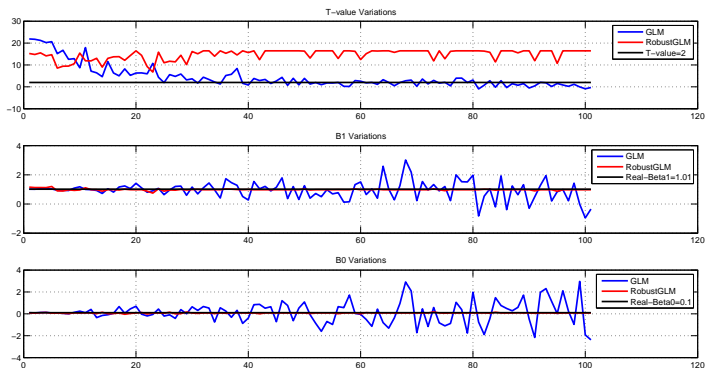
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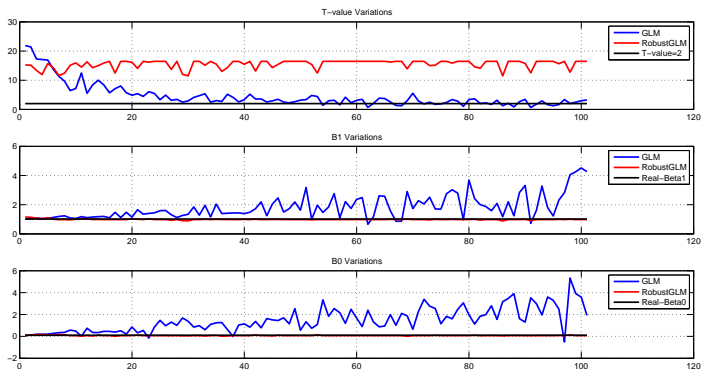
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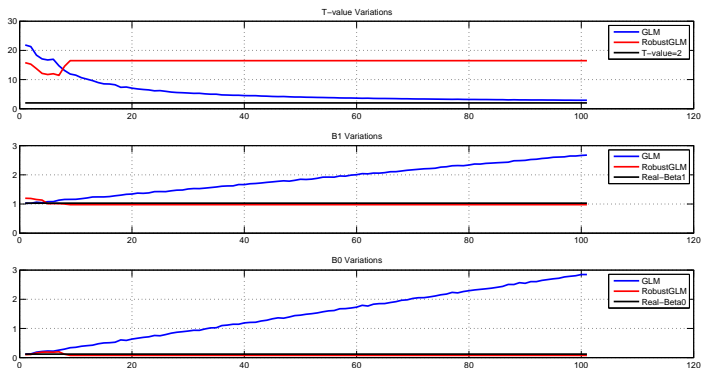
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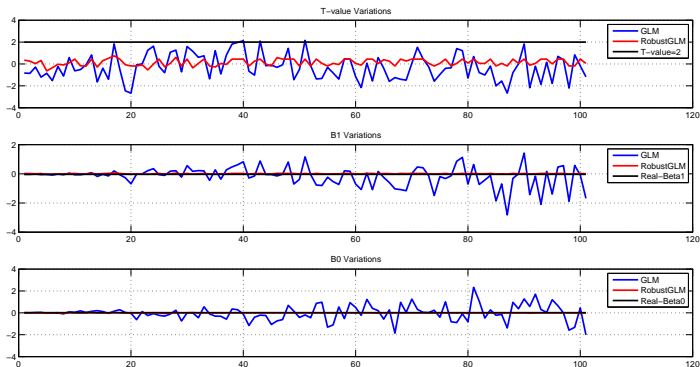
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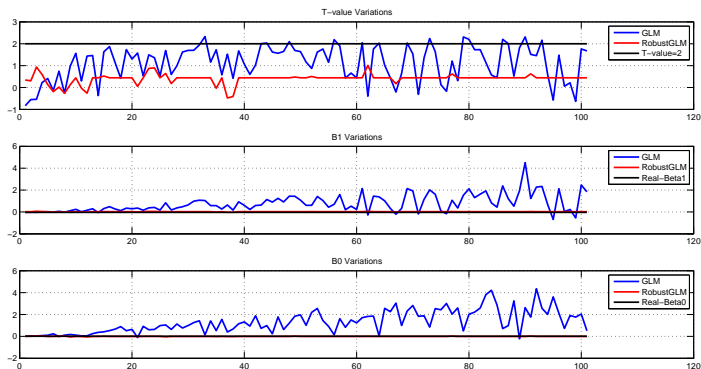
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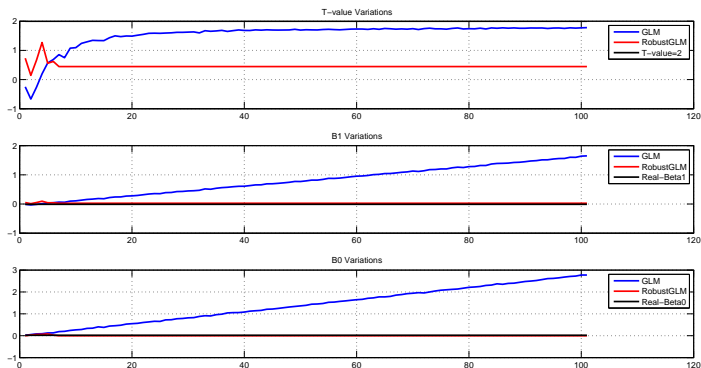
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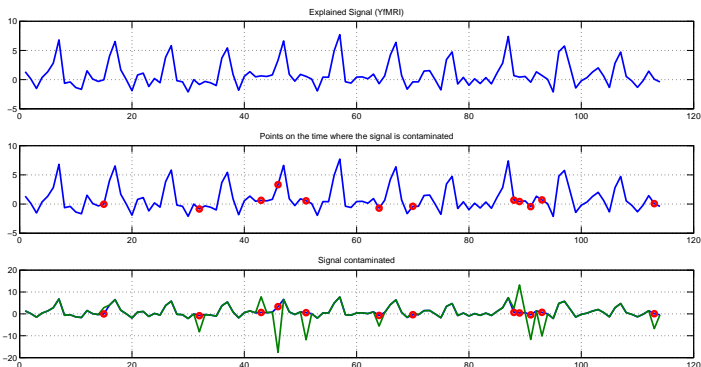
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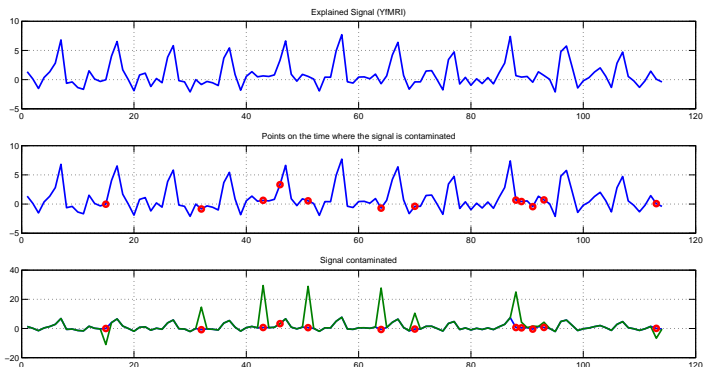
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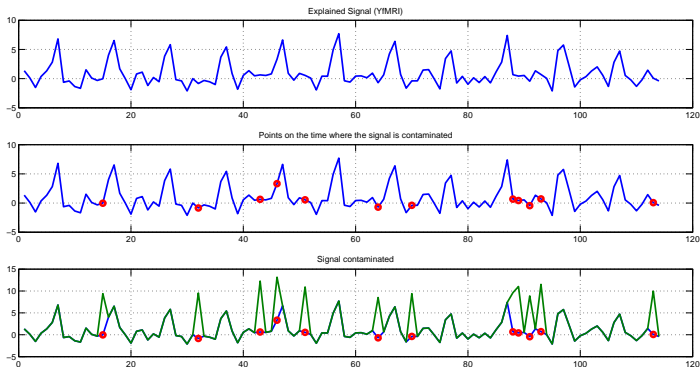
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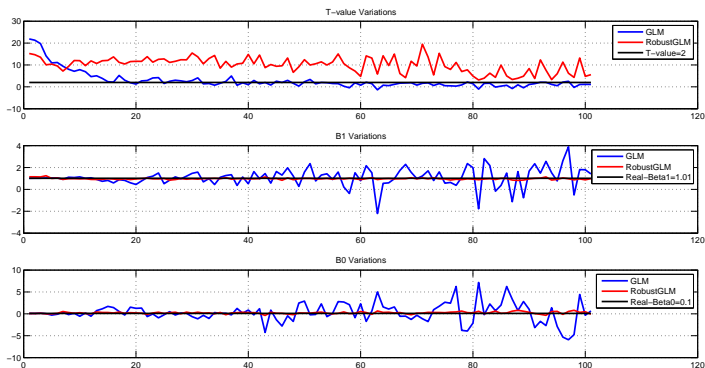
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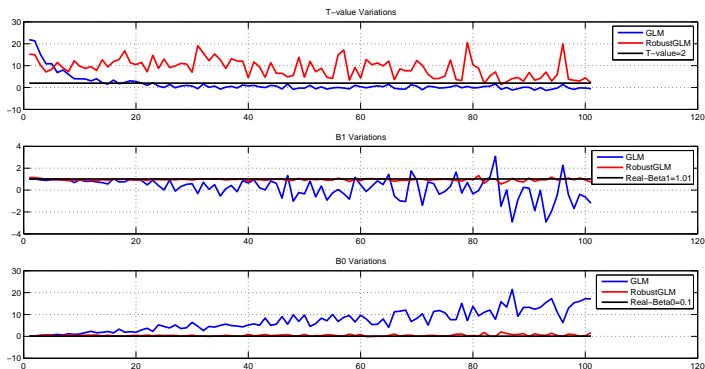
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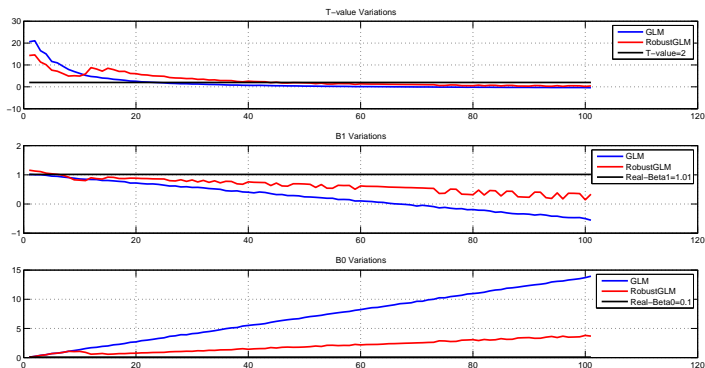
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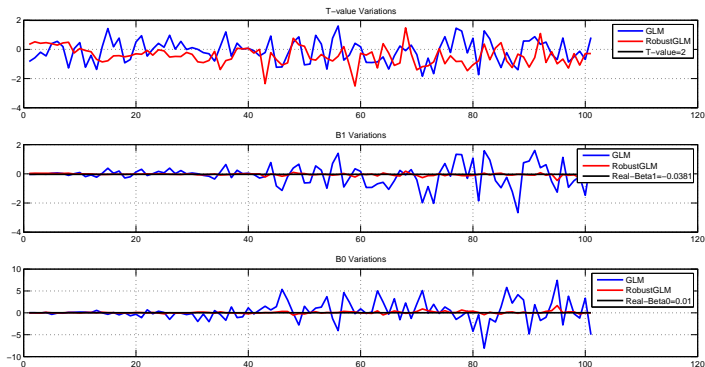
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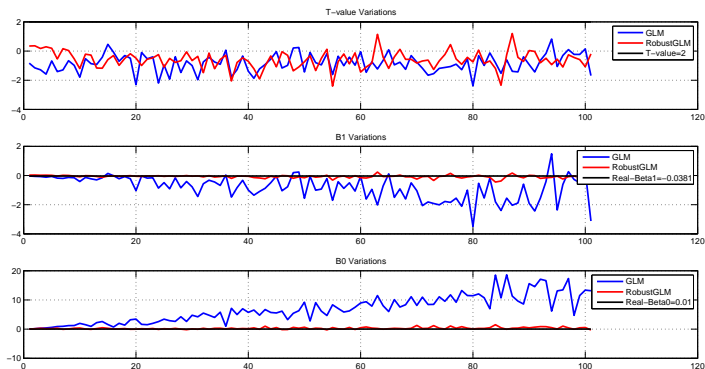
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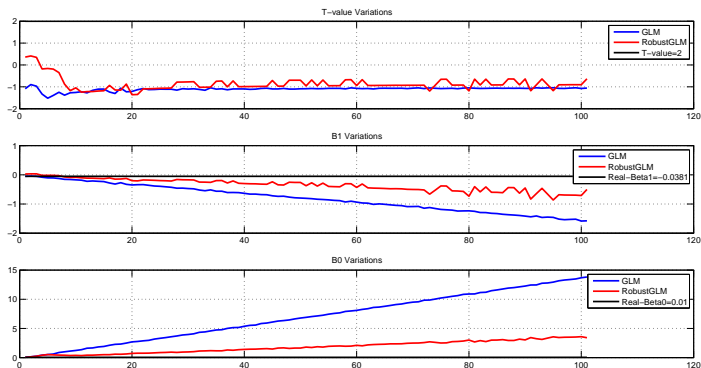
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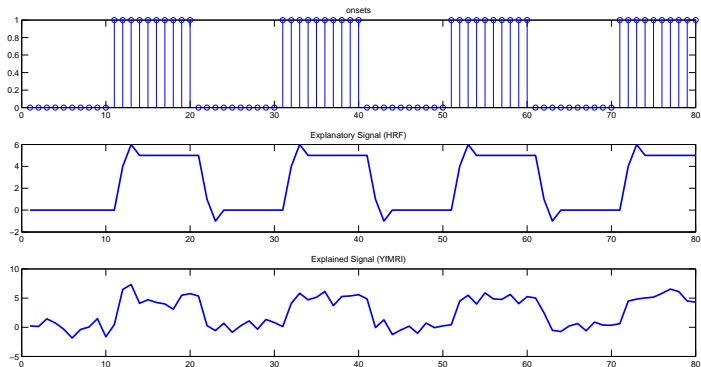
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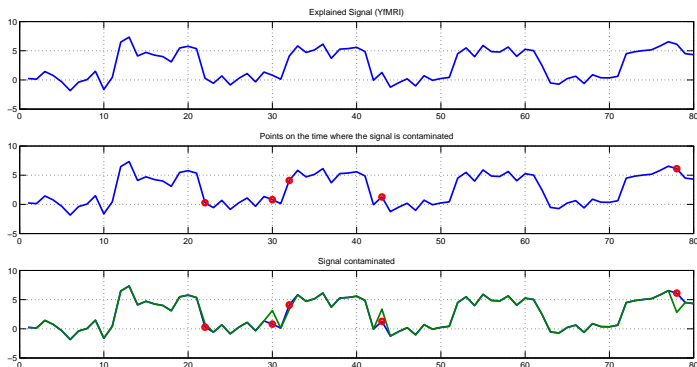
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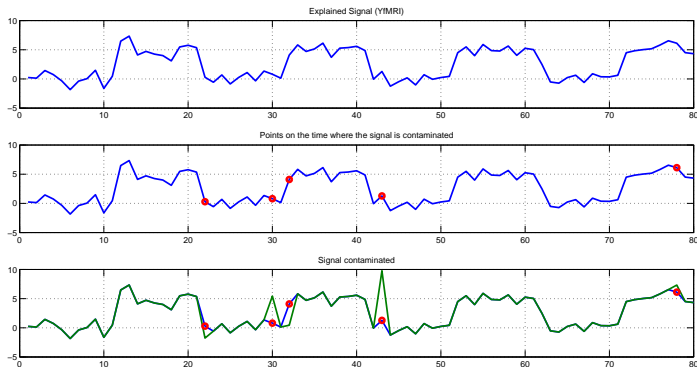
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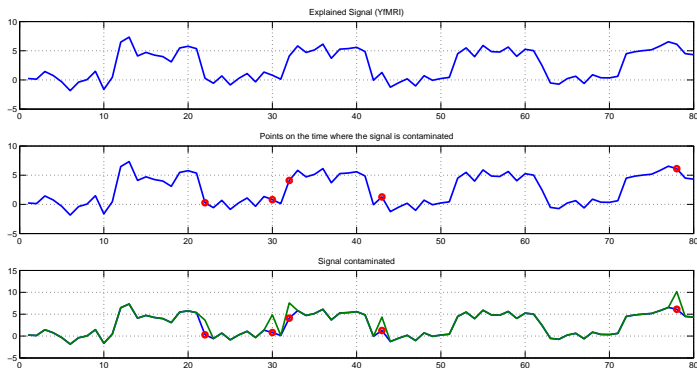
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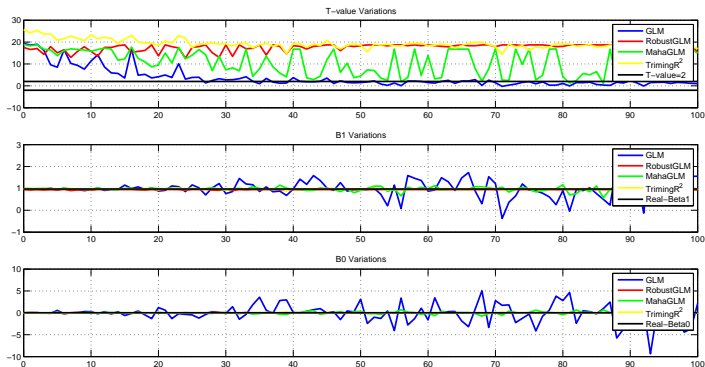
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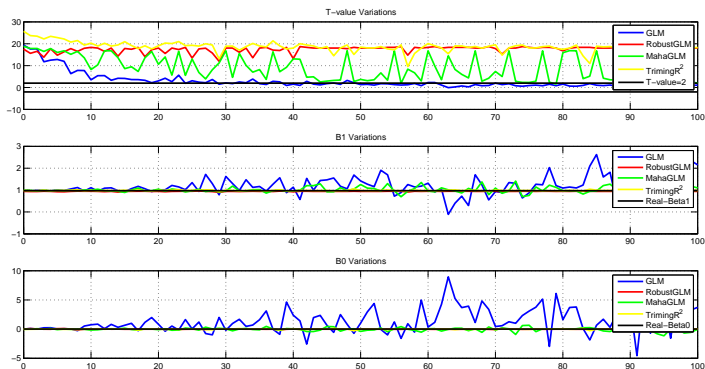
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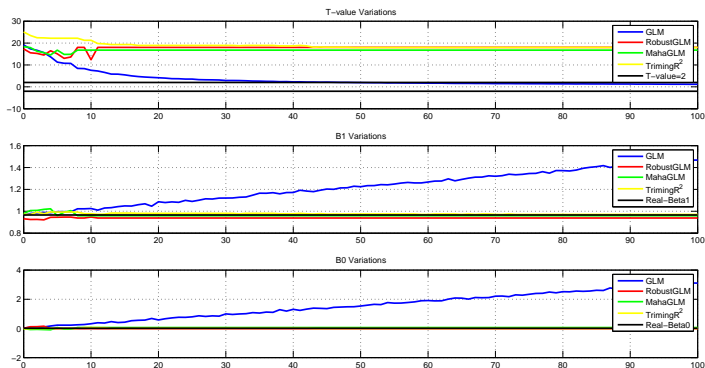
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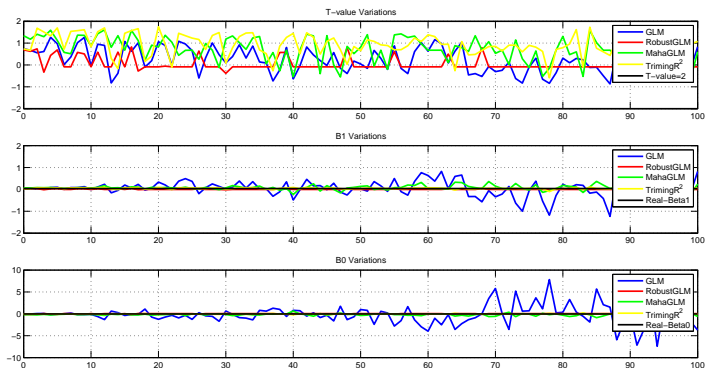
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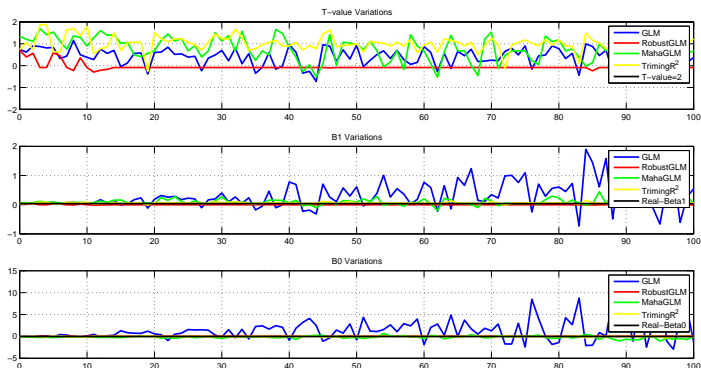
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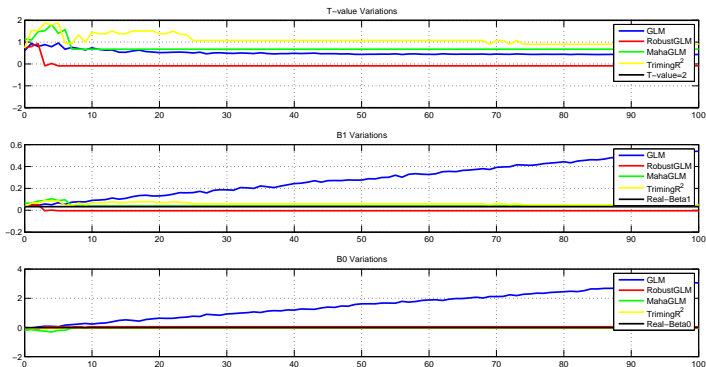
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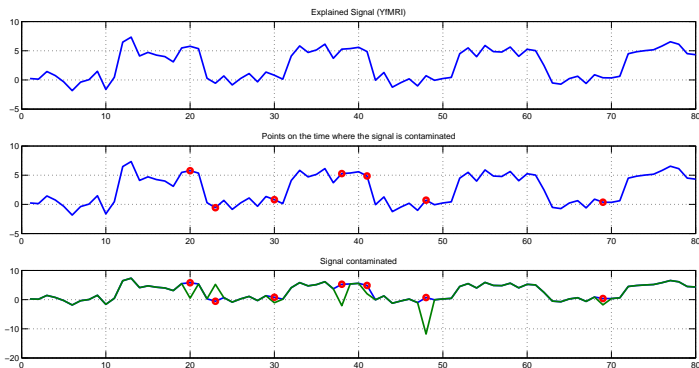
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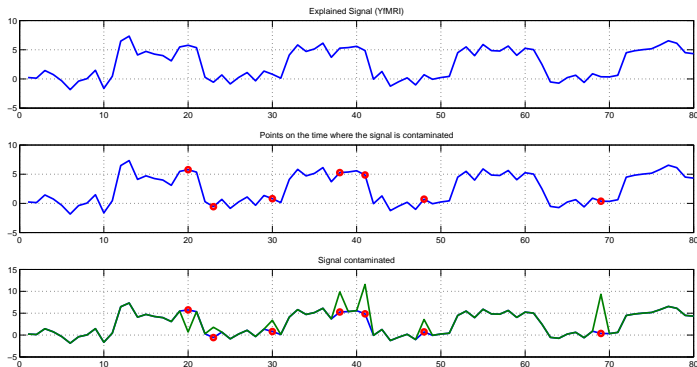
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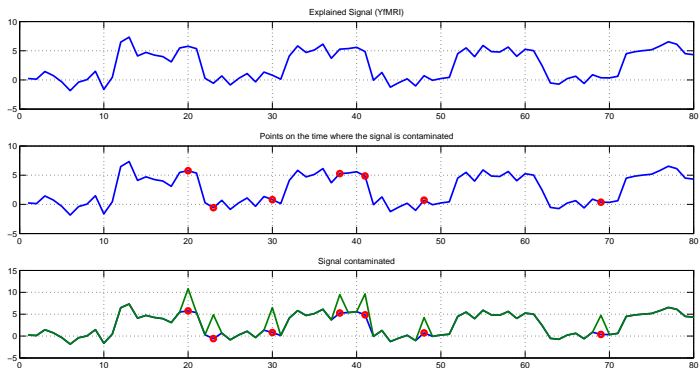
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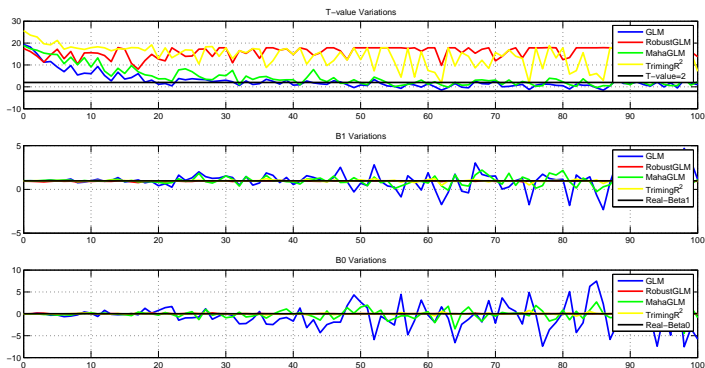
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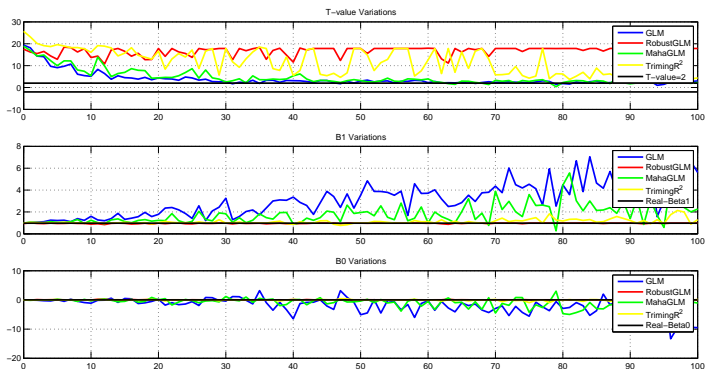
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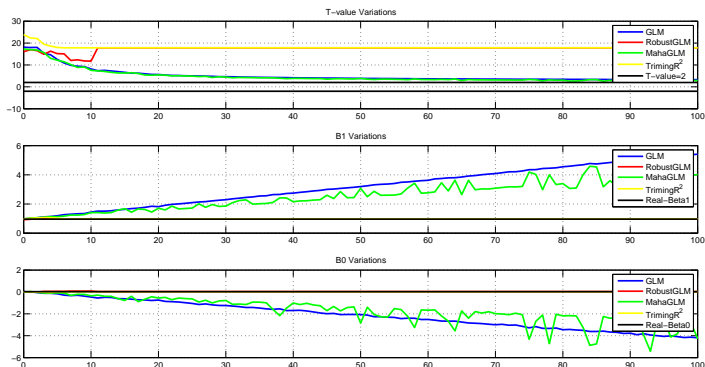
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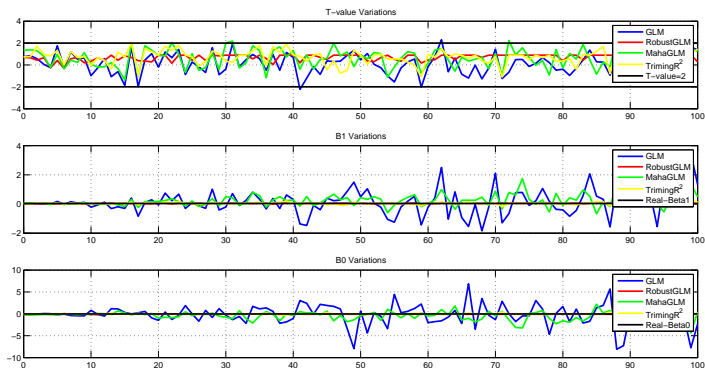
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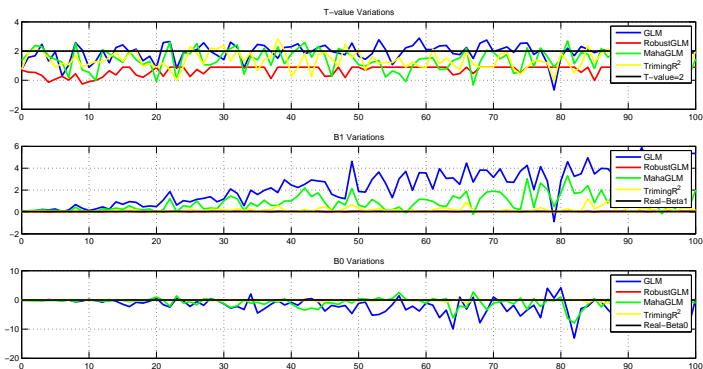
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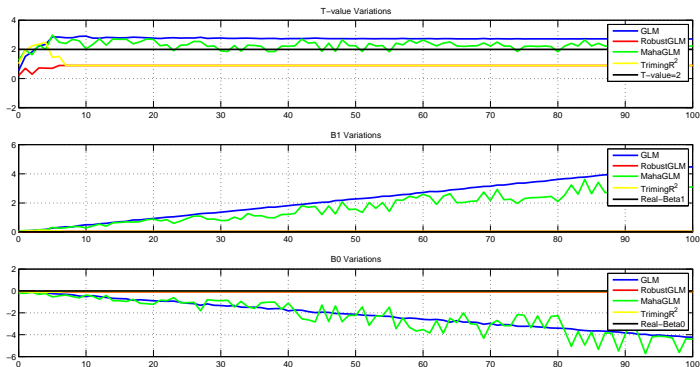
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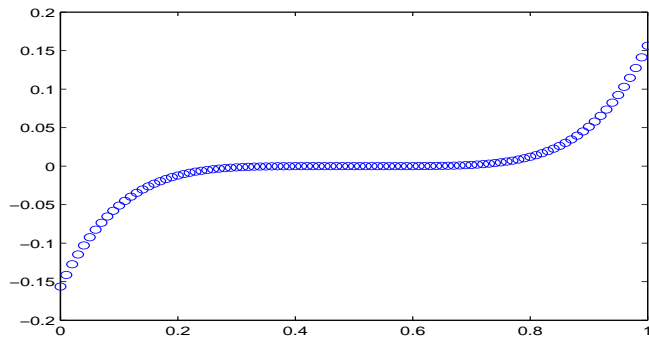


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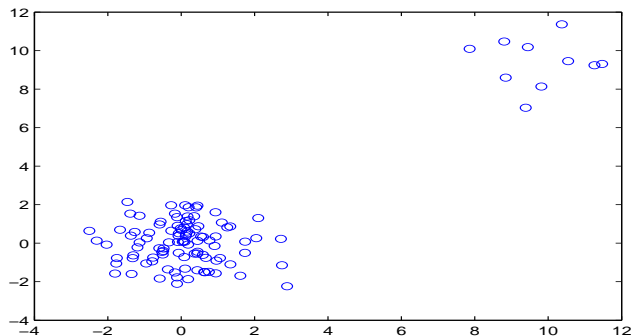


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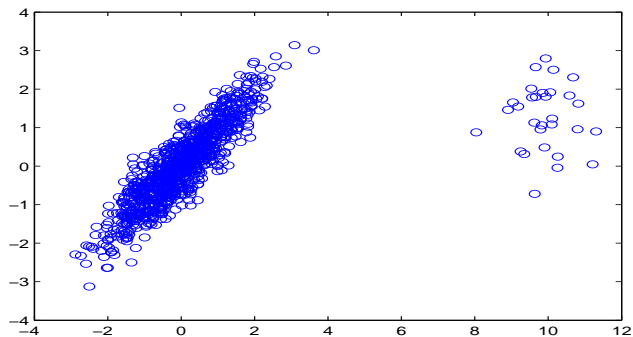


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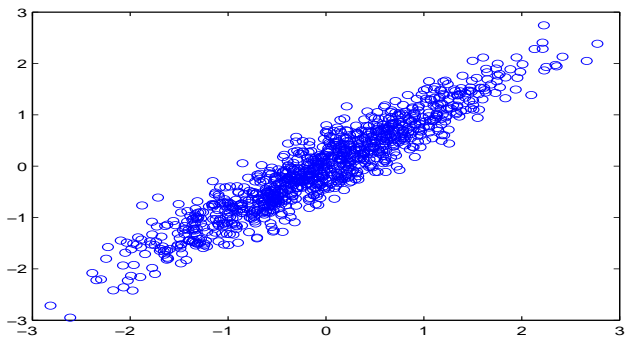


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