# Disentagling respiratory, cardiogenic and vasomotor rhythms from dynamic infrared thermogram signals

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### *Scaling behavior of heartbeat intervals Ivanov et al. Nature* **1996**



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#### **IR thermography to assist cancer diagnosis**



#### ..... -> IR thermography video film

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Cancer	[c0, c1, c2]=[0.99, 0.81, 0.0044]
Opposite	[c0, c1, c2]=[0.99, 1.23, 0.080]
Healthy	[c0, c1, c2]=[0.99, 1.171, 0.069]

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#### Respiratory and cardiogenic functions impact both the spatial tissue position and skin temperature

![](_page_7_Figure_1.jpeg)

# Wavelet transform for time-frequency analysis of rhythmic signals

$$\mathcal{W}_{\psi}[s](a,t;p) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} s(t') a^{-\frac{1}{p}} \overline{\psi}\left(\frac{t'-t}{a}\right) dt'$$

ψ Wavelet function (in time variable)
(the bar corresponds to the complex conjugate)
t translation parameter

- *a* scale parameter (  $a = f_0/f$ )
- **p** normalization exponent

 $Q = (n\gamma)^{1/2}$  quality factor The larger Q, the sharper the wavelet in frequency domain

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![](_page_9_Figure_1.jpeg)

Log-normal Morse wavelet:  $\gamma = 0$ ,  $n\gamma = 1$ 

$$\tilde{\psi}_Q(f'/f) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}(Q\log f'/f)^2}$$

This wavelet is symmetric in frequency space It is parametrized by the quality factor Q

# Wavelet transform for time-frequency analysis of rhythmic signals

![](_page_10_Figure_1.jpeg)

### **PERIODIC SIGNAL (pure sinus)**

![](_page_11_Figure_2.jpeg)

### RANDOM SIGNAL (no rhythms)

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# Wavelet transform analysis of model signals

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 $S(t) = sin(ft) + sin((f+\delta f)t)$ 

![](_page_15_Figure_2.jpeg)

# Wavelet transform analysis of model signals: frequency duets

 $S(t) = sin(ft) + sin((f+\delta f)t)$ 

![](_page_16_Figure_2.jpeg)

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# Global selection of the two breasts (R – L) with ellipse-like shapes

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# Influence of the quality factor Q on the detection of the rhythms

 $Q=(n\gamma)^{1/2}$  quality factor The larger Q, the sharpest the wavelet in frequency domain

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Mean of the temperature spatial distribution (p20 left): Q = 32, p = 1

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### Comparison of right (cancerous) and left (healthy) breast global temperature signals

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Focusing on the respiratory rhythm fundamental on the same patient (red: cancer breast, blue healthy)

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### Translation and Affine algorithm to extract these displacements

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### Comparison of time-frequency decomposition of uncorrected and corrected signals

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### Detection of the ridges of the CWT (from the magnitude or modulus of the CWT)

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Q=32

![](_page_34_Figure_3.jpeg)

![](_page_34_Figure_4.jpeg)

### Detection of the ridges of the CWT (comparing modulus and phase difference methods)

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Phase rate to frequency difference

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### Detection of the ridges of the CWT (comparing modulus and phase difference methods)

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Recognition of the presence of two (or more rhythms) inside the signal: multiplicative cross-correlation of the modulus of the CWT in the frequency variable f (the integral is performed in log(f) scales)

Here we take  $s_1 = s_2$ , the log-frequency variable for  $s_2$  is shifted by log(q)

$$R_{\psi}[s_1, s_2](q, t) = C_{\psi, \psi}^{-1} \int_0^\infty |W_{\psi}[s_1](f, t) W_{\psi}[s_2](qf, t)| \mathrm{d}f/f \quad ,$$

where  $C_{\psi,\psi} = \int_0^\infty |\tilde{\psi}(f)|^2 \mathrm{d}f/f$ .

 $E(q,t) = R_{\psi}[s_1, s_2](q,t)$  is the spectrum of relations of the two signals  $s_1$  and  $s_2$ 

Identification of irreducible fractions of the frequency ratios occuring in the spectrum of relations of the signal with itself -> **« consonance of the rhythms »** 

Searching for the "consonance" of a synthetic signal

3 4 0 -1 **Rhythm ratios** 90 92 98 100 102 108 110 94 96 104 106 Time, t [1] 1 Modulus of CWT, Q=100 Spectrum of relations E(q,t) [2] √2 3 2 [3] **3/2** Frequency,  $\log_2(f)$ Interval,  $\log_2(q)$ [4] (√5 +1)/2 (golden) 1.5 [5] <mark>2</mark> 1 0.5 [3] [4] [5] [1] [2] 0 0 50 200 50 100 150 200 250 300 100 150 250 300 Time, t Time, t Ratio dissonance noise / signal Time averaged spectrum of relations Consonnance 10<sup>3</sup>  $10^{0}$ [4] [5] [3] [2] [1] SNR=0 SNR=1 SNR=10 10<sup>2</sup> **SNR=100** E(q)10 10 10<sup>-2</sup> 10<sup>0</sup> 2 3 4 200 250 300 50 100 150 Interval,  $\log_2(q)$ Time, t

# CWT analysis of photoplethysmogram signals

![](_page_40_Figure_1.jpeg)

Signals downloaded from http://www.capnobase.org/index.php?id=857

### Wavelet based computation of consonance of photoplethysmogram signals

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### CWT analysis of photoplethysmogram signals

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W. Karlen et al., IEEE trans. on biomed Eng. 2013,

Signals downloaded from http://www.capnobase.org/index.php?id=857

Wavelet based computation of the consonance of a thermogram signal

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### CONCLUSIONS

### Time-frequency decomposition allows a complete characterization of the intertwining of rhythms in physiology

The introduction of consonance (or disonance) of rhythm ratios and its temporal change (or variability) as a marker of the dynamical adjustement of the body

Can this quantity be used as a 'dynamical' hint for assisting clinician diagnosis?

Statistical tests on large data sets need to be performed

A statistical physics formalism accounting for the spectrum of rhythm ratios is currently under progress (in the same line as the singularity spectrum has be elaborated for fractal signals)