

Detection and Classification of moving objects with a 24 GHz fast chirp Radar for people counting applications

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2. Walking pattern extraction
3. Test cases and results
4. System implementation
5. Summary

Section 1: Introduction

1.1 Motivation

People counting
in shopping malls
in car accidents

1.2 Problem statement

Micro-Doppler effect
walking recognition
Signal processing

1.3 Research method

Test case driven experiments based on literature
research

1.4 Radar module

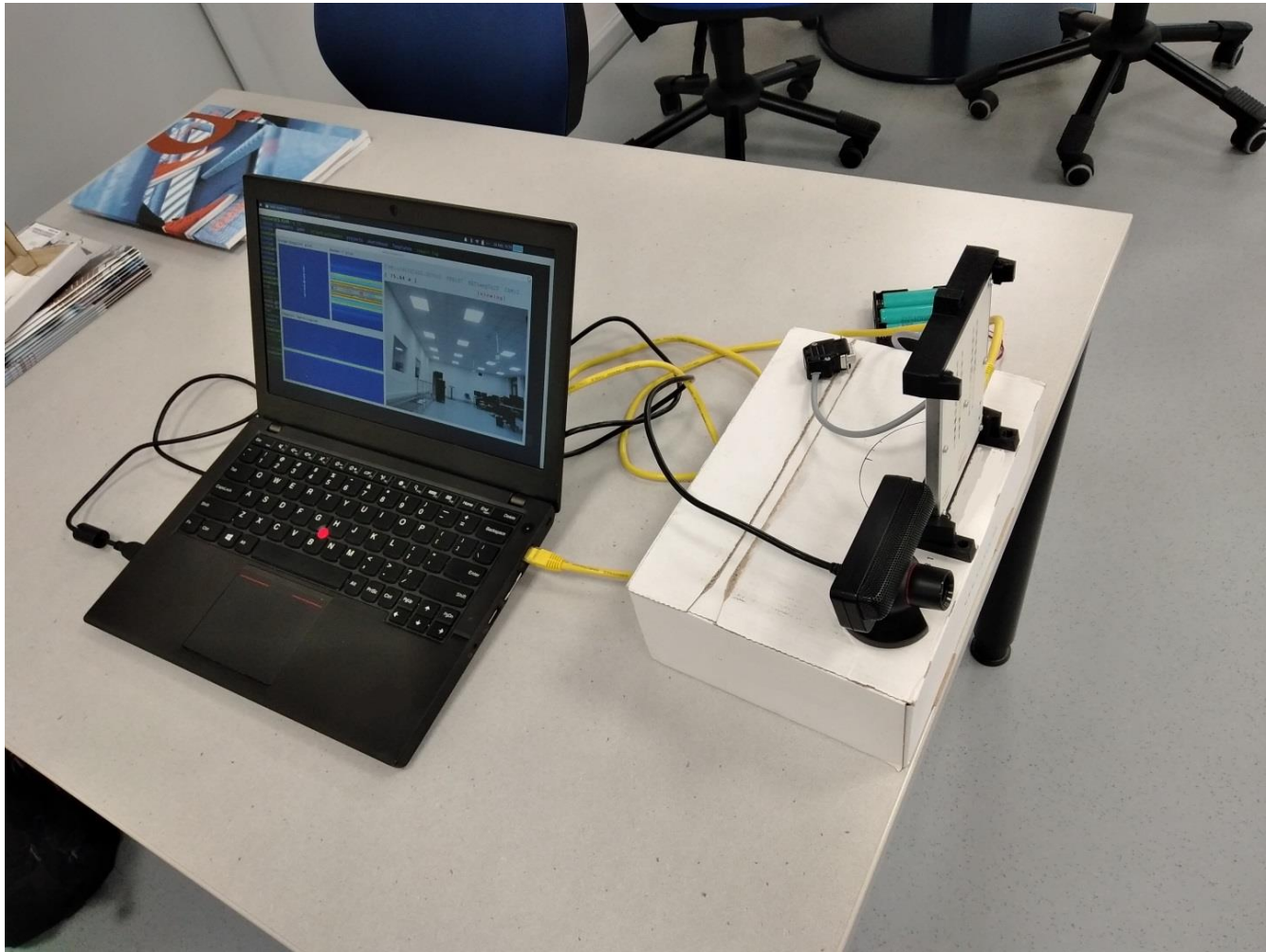
Specification (customizable)

	resolution	Max range
Range	0.6m,	38.4m
velocity	± 0.49 km/h	± 31.5 km/h
angle	1 degree	50 degree

Carrier frequency	24GHz
Wavelength	1.25cm
Sweep bandwidth	250MHz
ADC sample frequency	366.3kHz
Number of samples per chirp	128
Number of chirps per measurement	128
Sweep period	354.9us

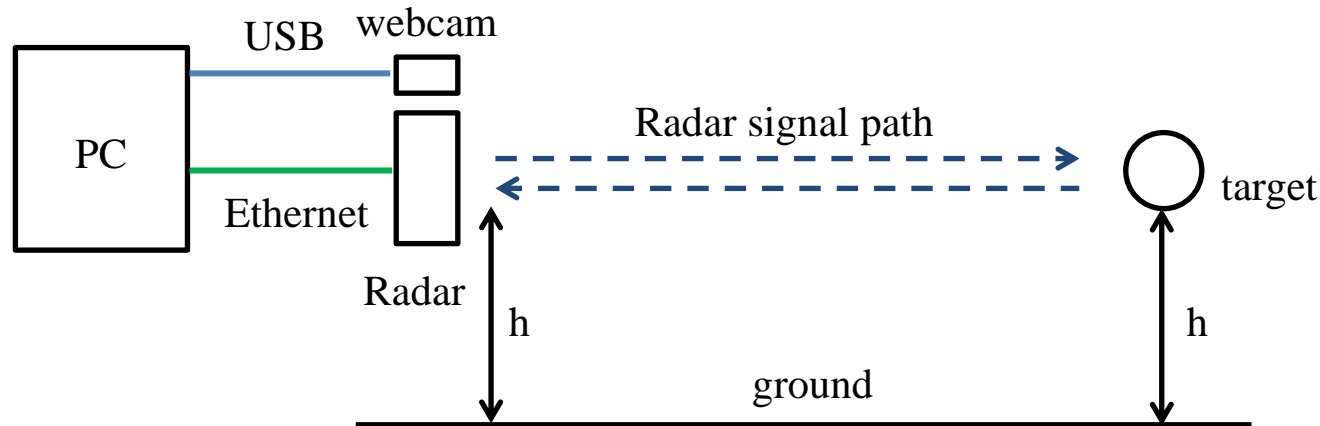
1.4 Radar module

Setup



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Signal recording: Ubuntu

Signal analysis: Matlab

System implementation: Ubuntu

Section 2: Walking pattern extraction

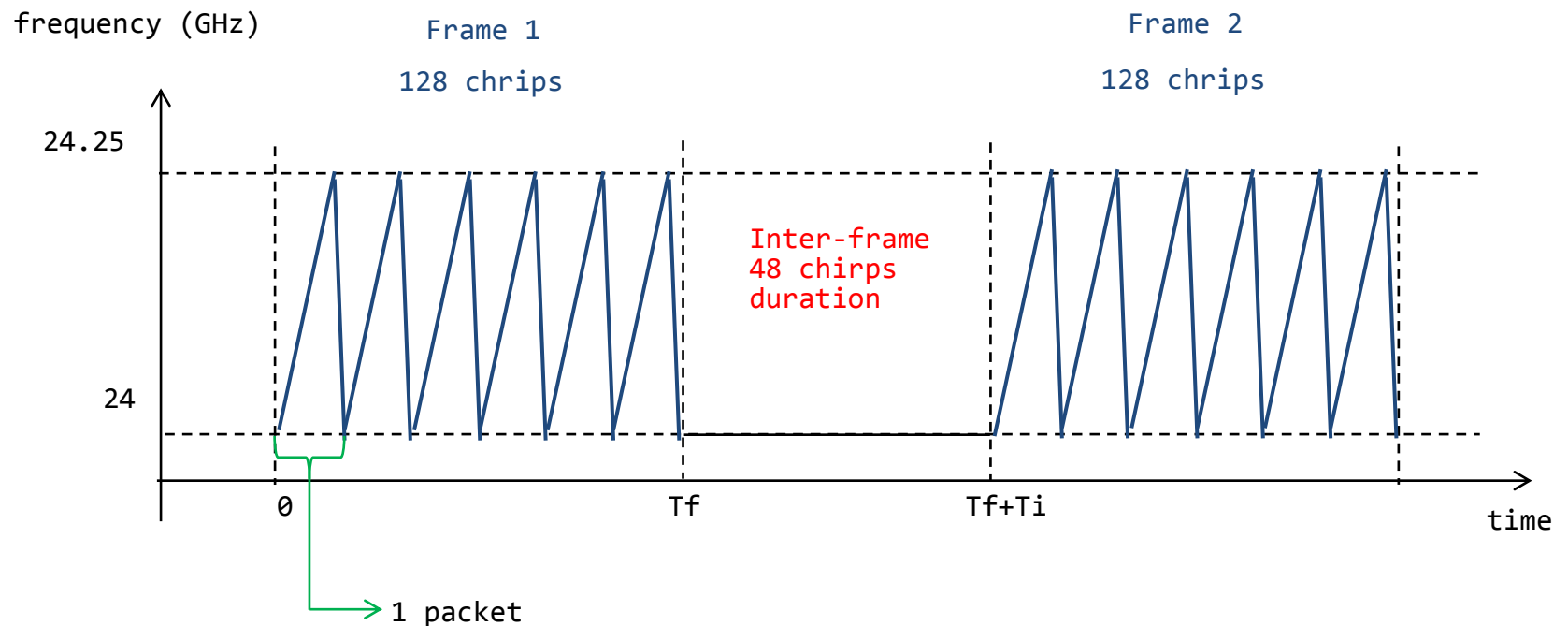
- 2.1 Signal preprocessing
- 2.2 Target tracking
- 2.3 Pattern sequence extraction
- 2.4 Feature sequence extraction

2.1 Signal preprocessing

2.1.1 Initial processing

packet processing (fast chirp)

2D fft

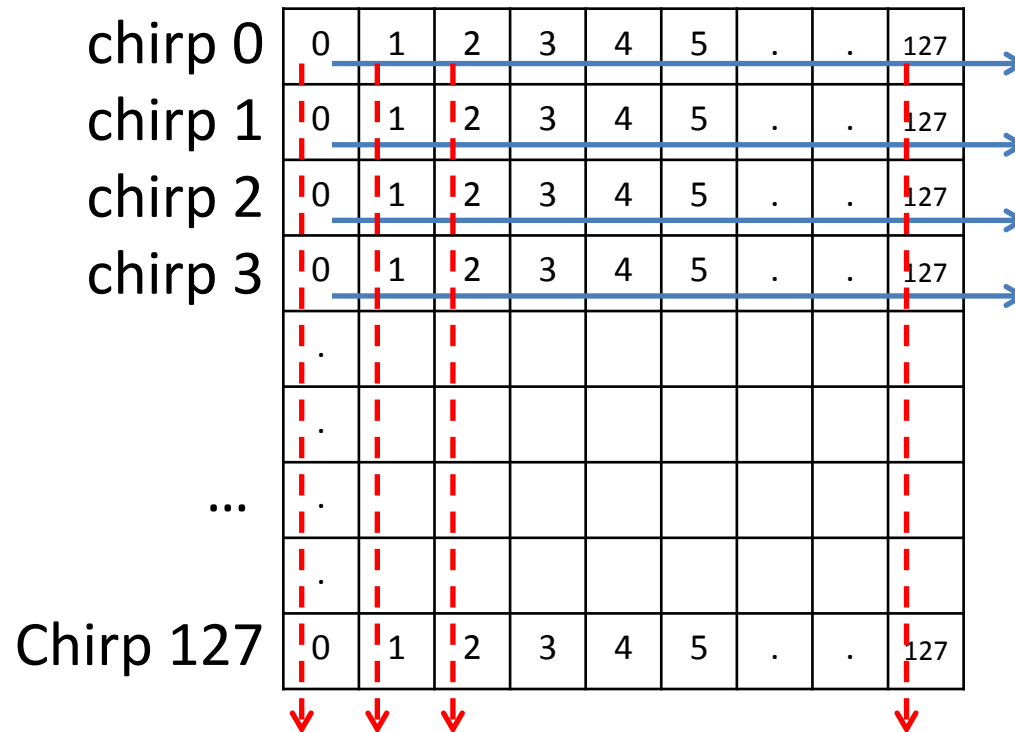


2.1 Signal preprocessing

2.1.1 Initial processing

packet processing

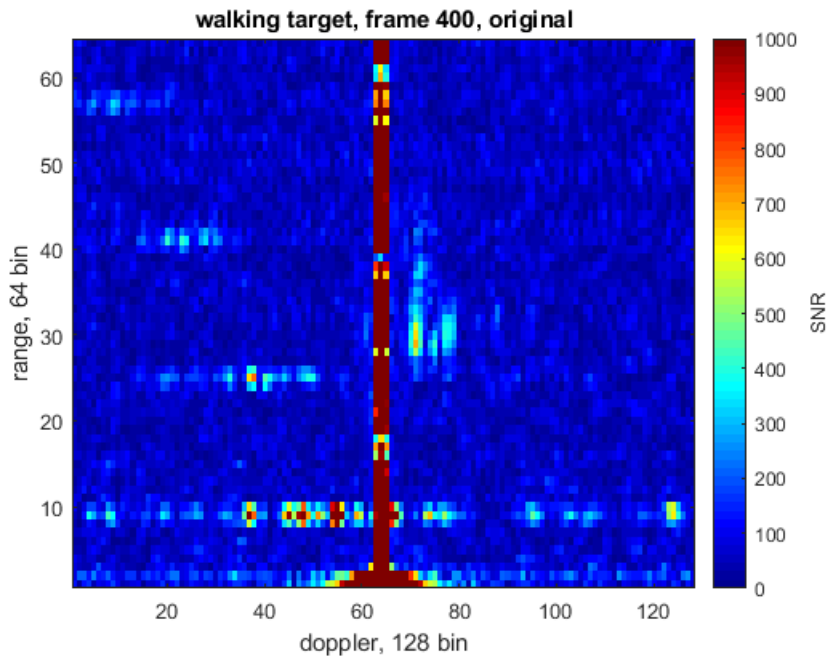
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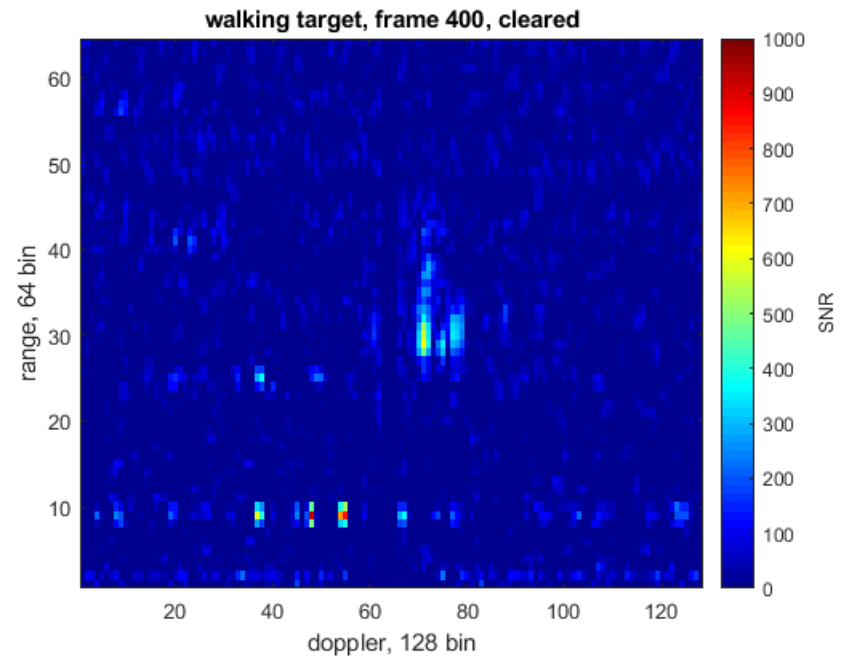
2.1 Signal preprocessing

2.1.2 Clutter removal

stationary clutter
correlated clutter



before

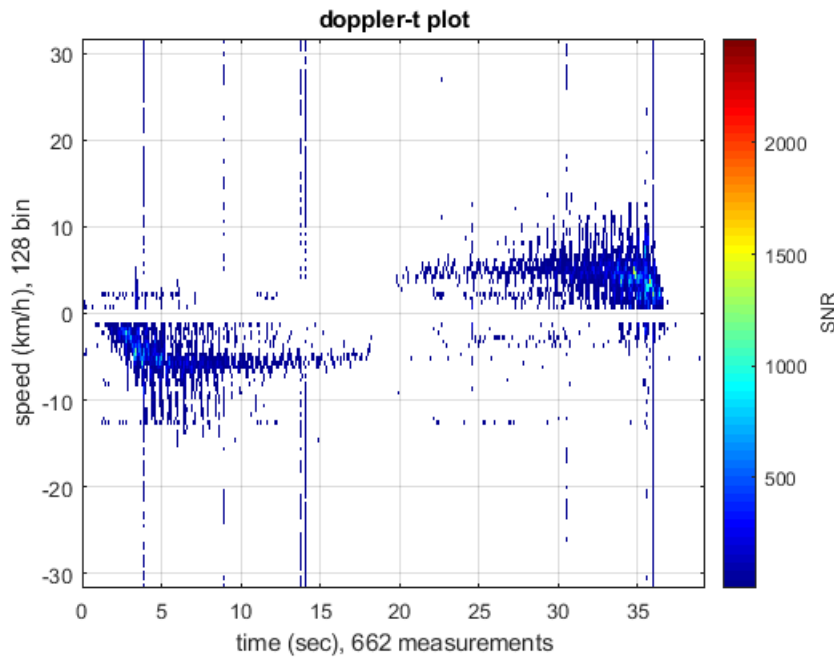


after

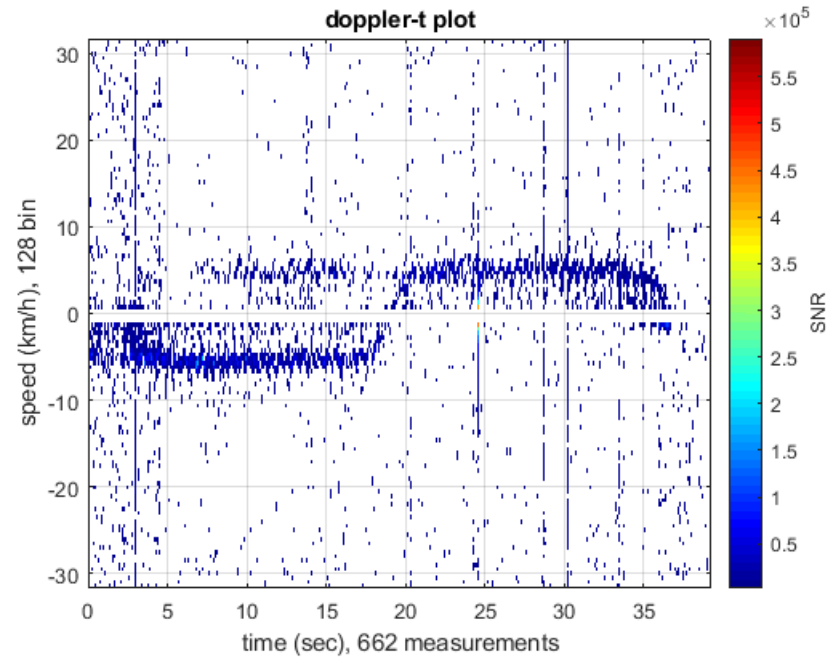
2.1 Signal preprocessing

2.1.3 Weak signal enhancement

the time gain method, $b_{r,d} = a_{r,d} \cdot r^k, k = 1, 2, \dots, n$



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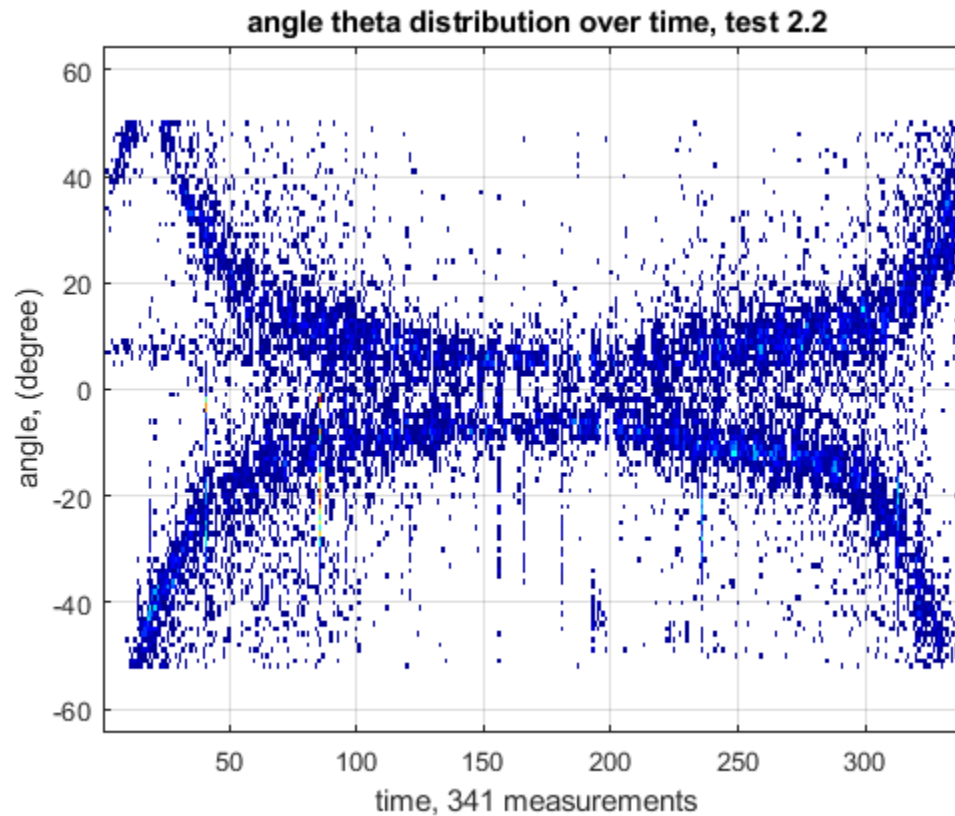


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2.1 Signal preprocessing

2.1.4 Signal detection

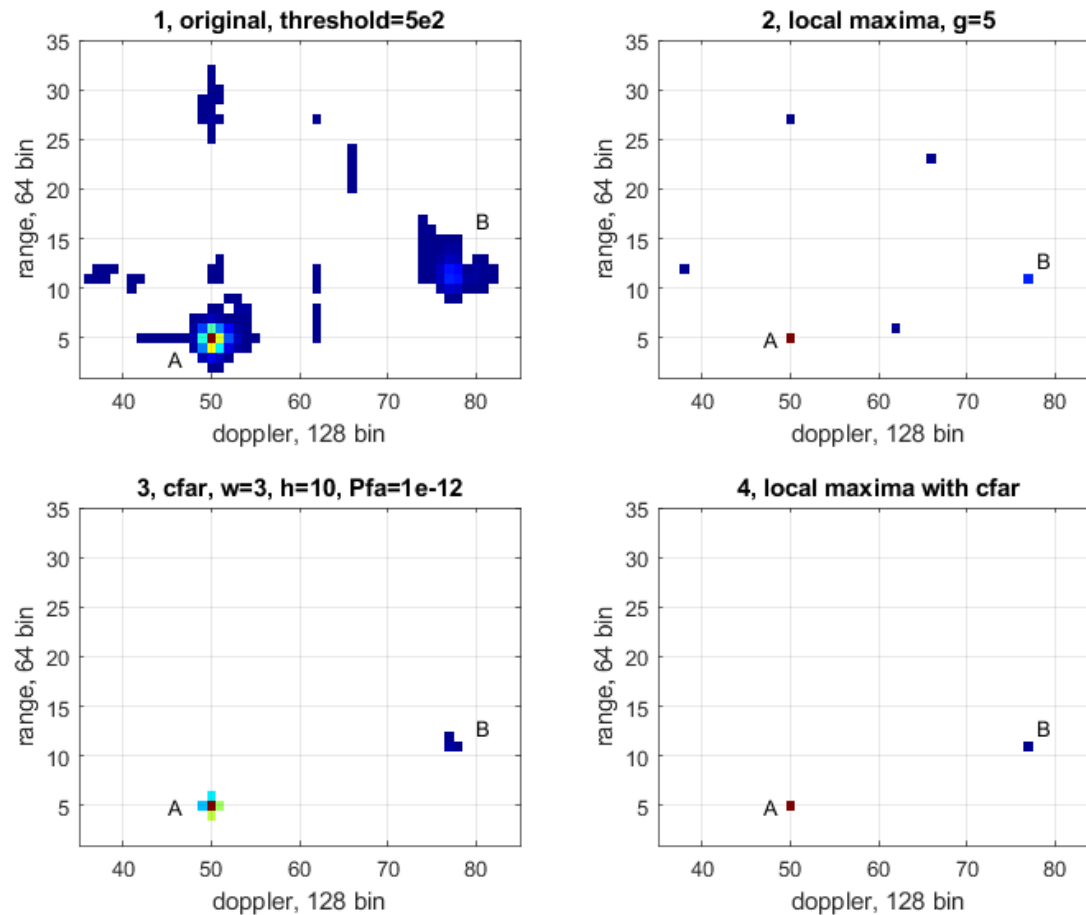
angle pre-separation (2 person)



2.1 Signal preprocessing

2.1.4 Signal detection

local maxima detector & CA-CFAR detector



2.2 Target tracking

2.2.1 Single target tracking

single track management

- 1, Calculate **Kalman prediction**
- 2, Polar to Cartesian conversion for all detection points.
- 3, Calculate **distance array** between detection points and prediction point
- 4, Remove outlier and noise points
- 5, Calculate **Kalman estimation** with the **closest detection**
- 6, Update current location

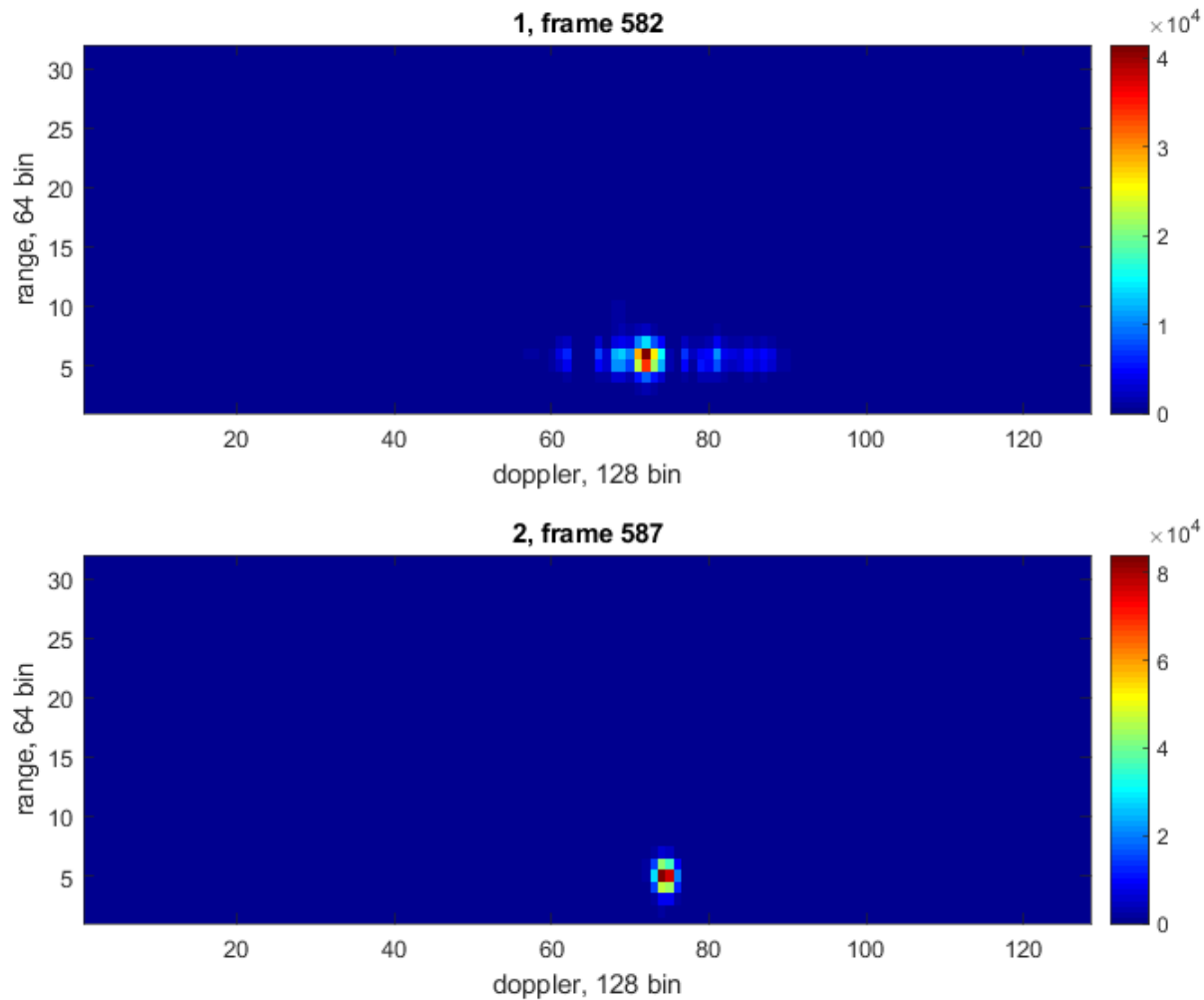
2.2 Target tracking

2.2.2 Multi-target tracking track management

- 1, calculate **Kalman prediction** for all tracks
- 2, calculate **cost matrix**
- 3, apply **Hungarian algorithm** for assignment
- 4, calculate **Kalman estimation** for tracks with update
- 5, update current **track properties**
- 6, **remove tracks** in lost state and **initialize new tracks** for all detections with no assigned track
- 7, update **current location** of tracked target

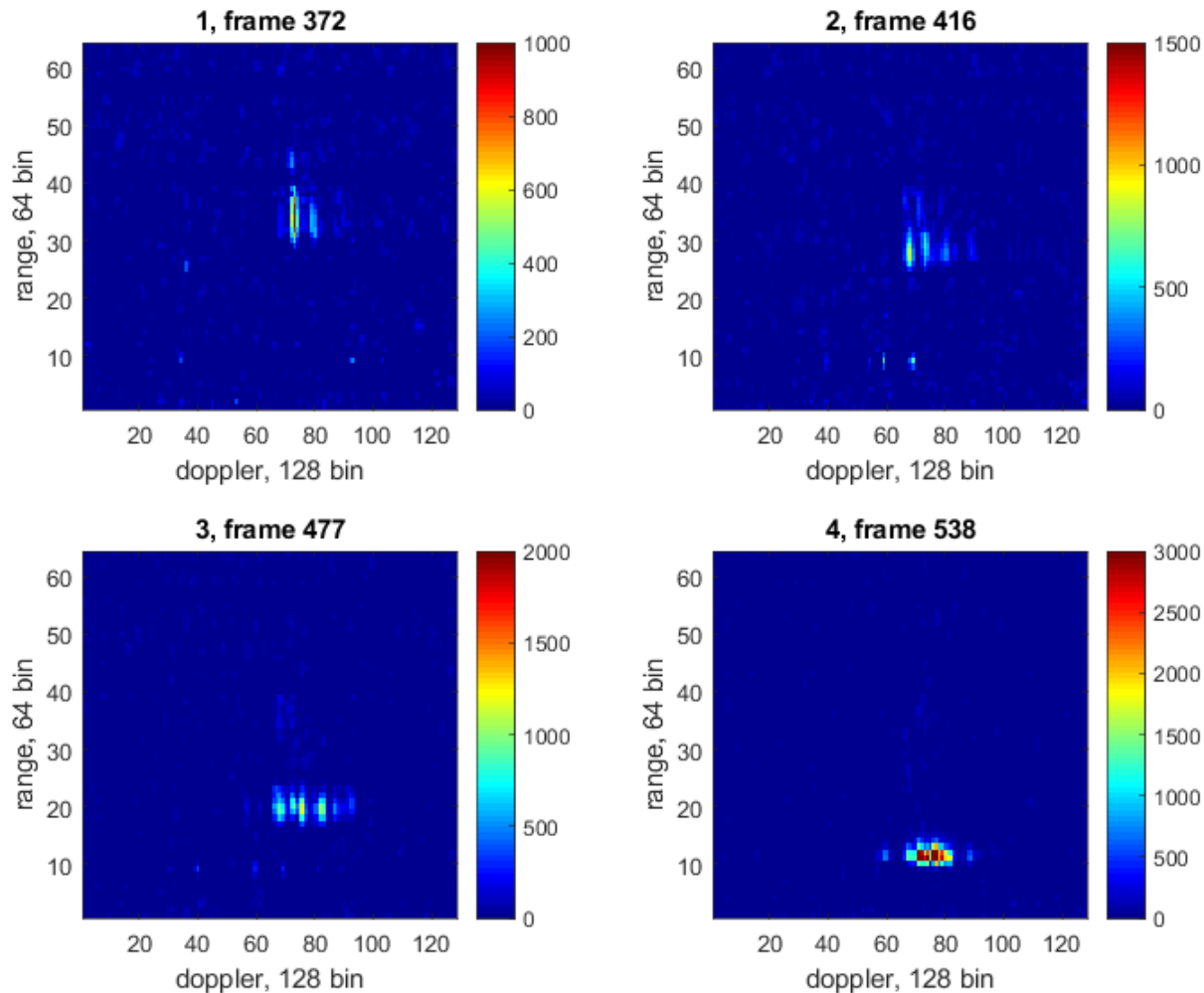
2.3 Pattern sequence extraction

2.3.1 Range-Doppler profile ambiguity



2.3 Pattern sequence extraction

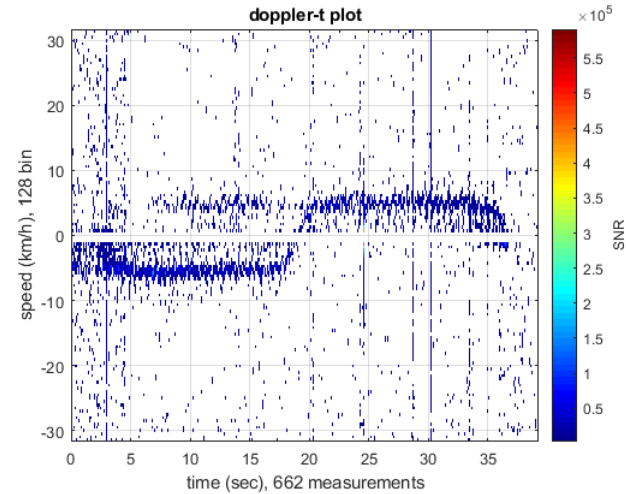
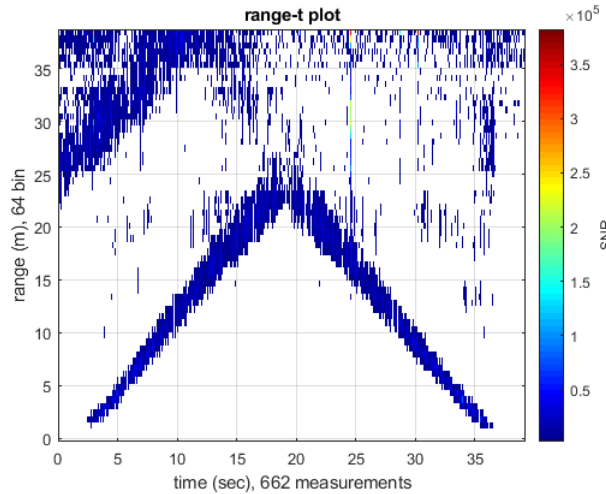
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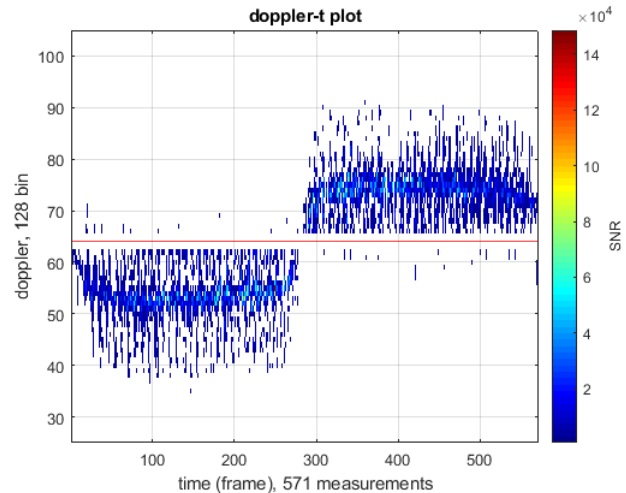
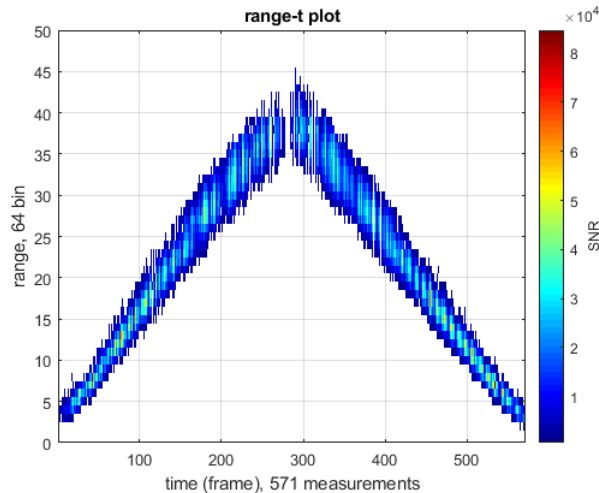
2.3 Pattern sequence extraction

2.3.2 Extraction result using Kalman filter

Th2 = 3e5



Th2 = 8e4



2.4 Feature sequence extraction

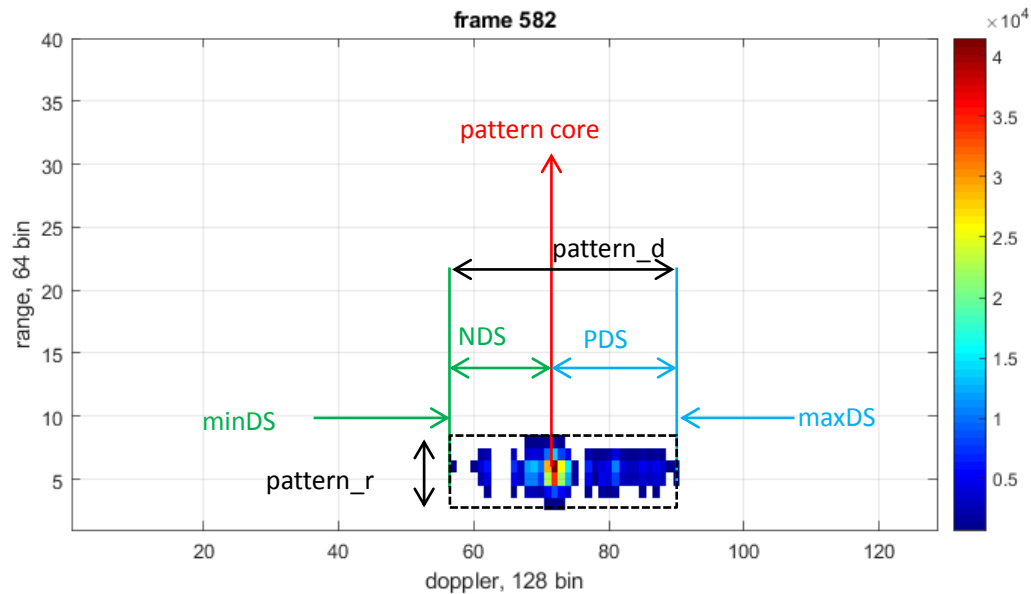
2.4.1 Feature definition

minDS (Minimum Doppler Spread): the Doppler bin minimum

maxDS (Maximum Doppler Spread): the Doppler bin maximum

NDS (Negative Doppler Spread): the maximal difference between minDS and core

PDS (Positive Doppler Spread): the maximal difference between maxDS and core

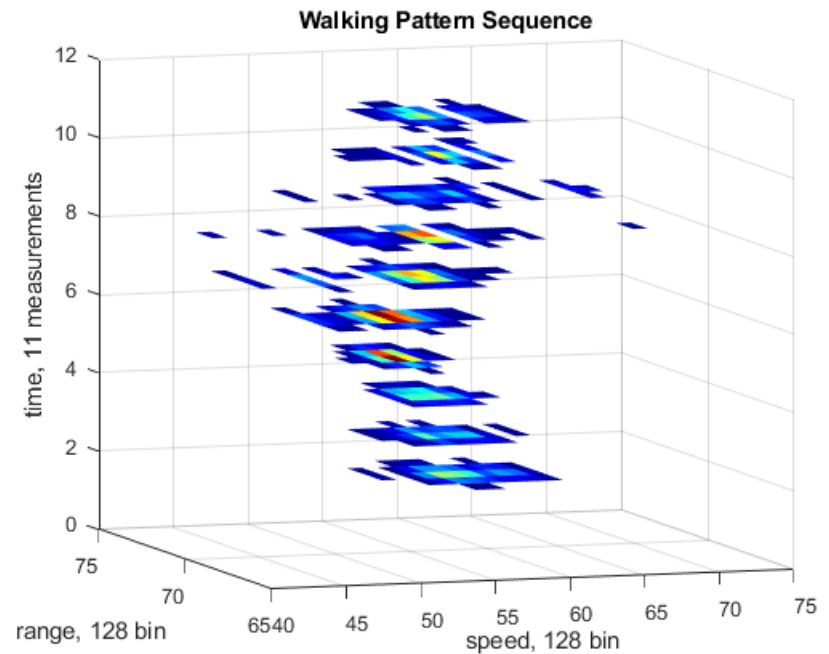
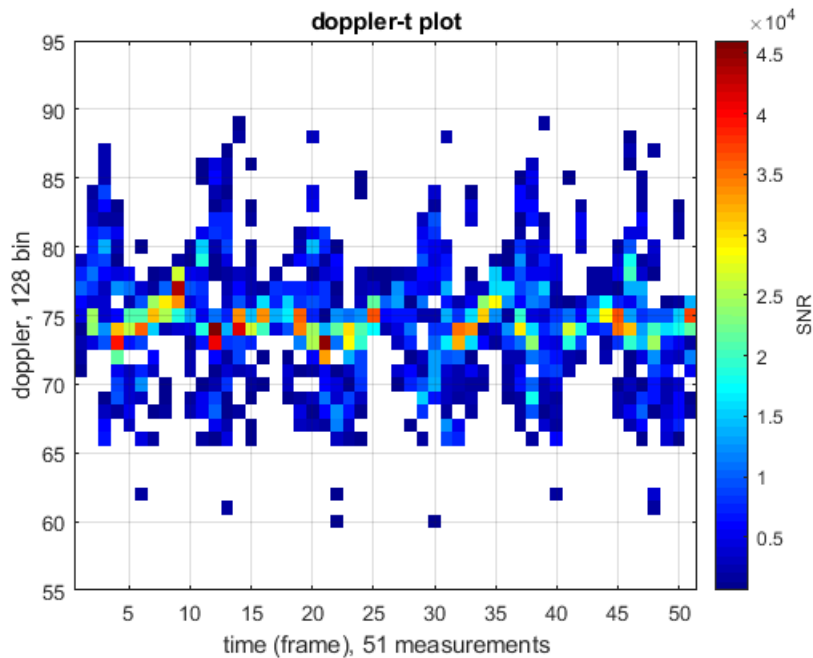


pattern_d: maximum allowed doppler profile

pattern_r: maximum allowed range profile

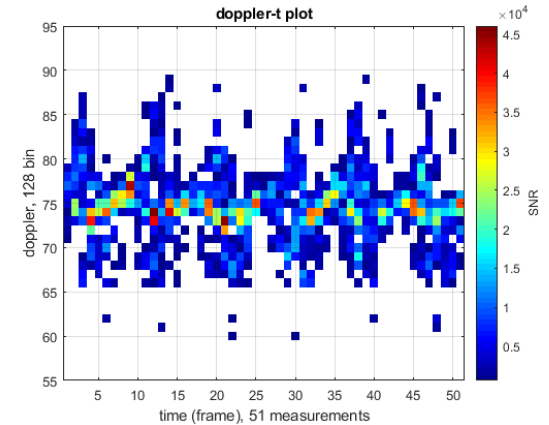
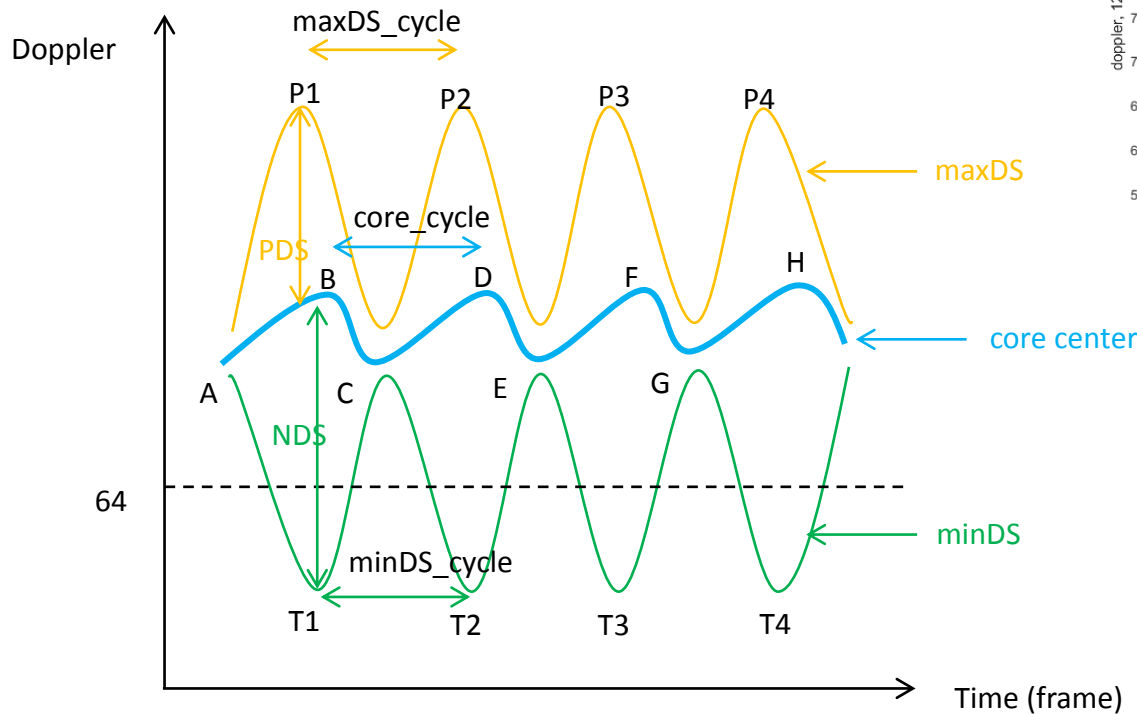
2.4 Feature sequence extraction

2.4.2 Original pattern sequence



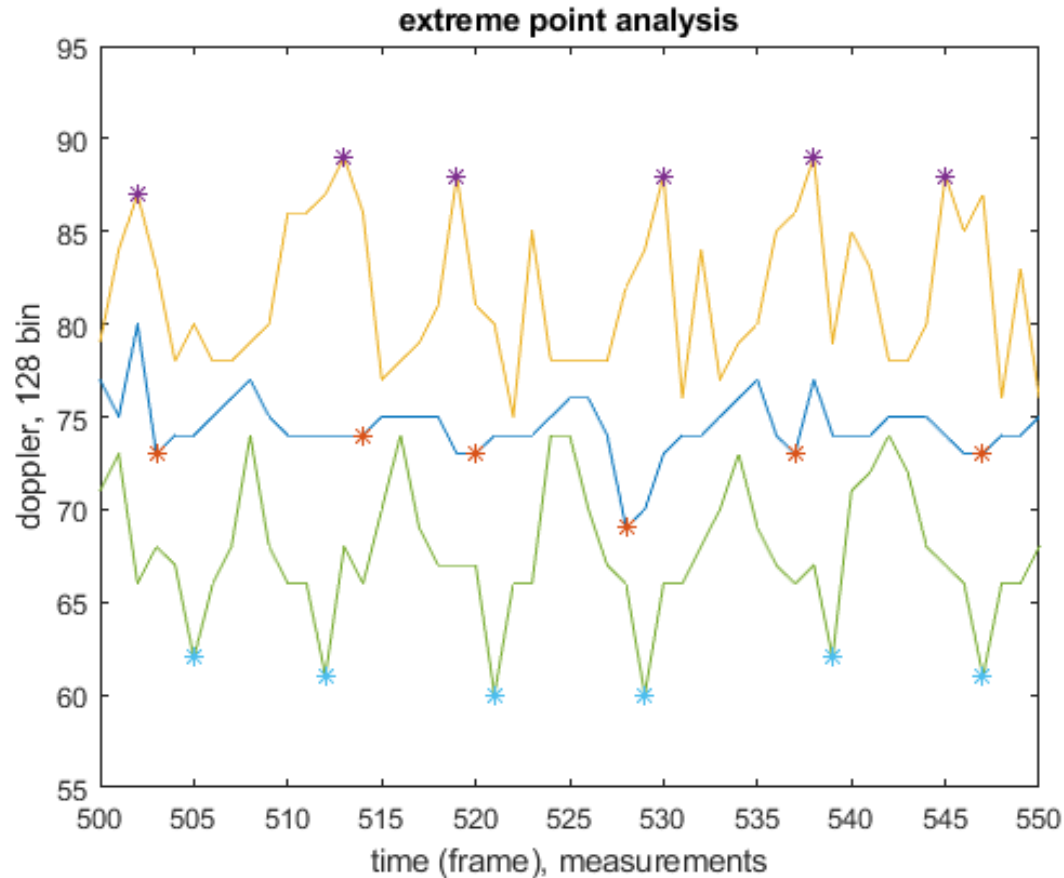
2.4 Feature sequence extraction

2.4.3 Simplified signal model



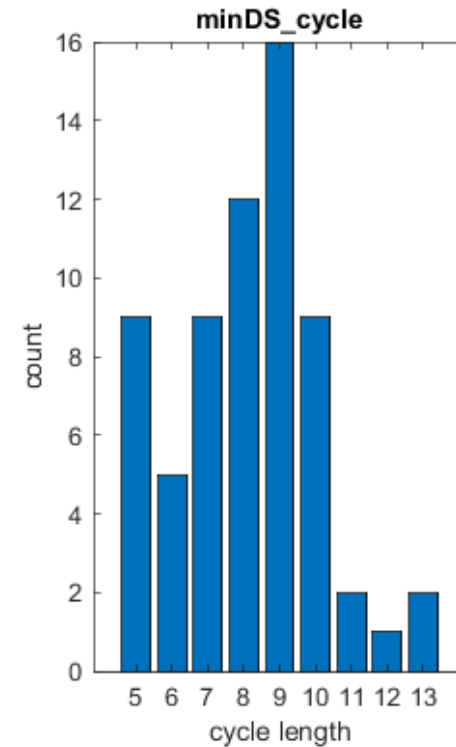
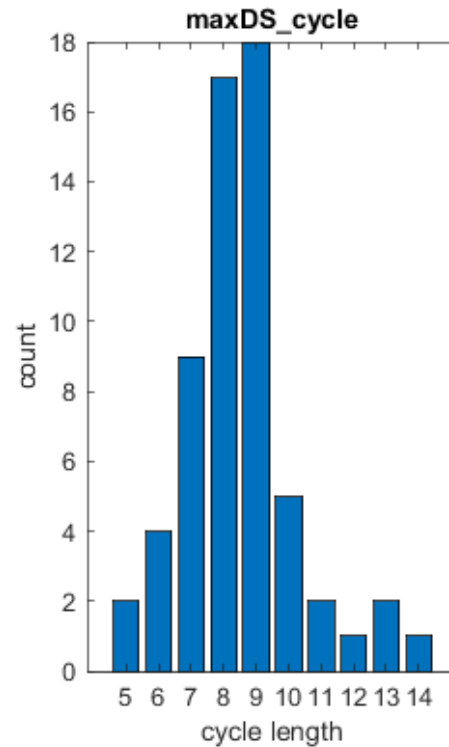
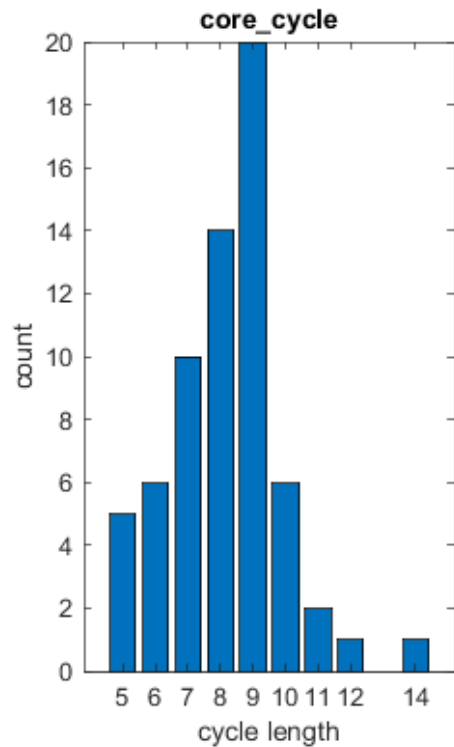
2.4 Feature sequence extraction

2.4.4 Online peak/trough extraction



2.4 Feature sequence extraction

2.4.4 Online peak/trough extraction cycle measurement of test 1.1



2.4 Feature sequence extraction

2.4.4 Online peak/trough extraction proposed features

- 1, Pattern cycles: core_cycle, maxDS_cycle, minDS_cycle
- 2, Average walking radial velocity: walk_mean_v
- 3, NDS and PDS
- 4, Walking acceleration: walk_acceleration

3.1 Test cases 1: test 1.1 – test 1.9

3.2 Feature analysis

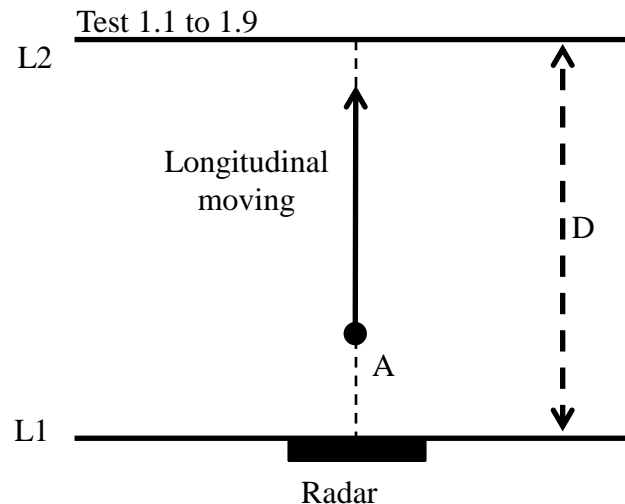
compare set 1-3

3.1 Test cases 1

Test 1.1 – 1.9

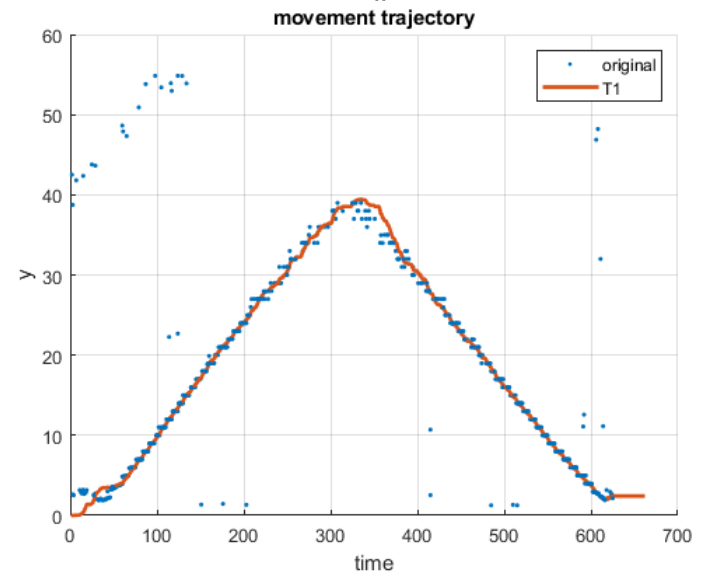
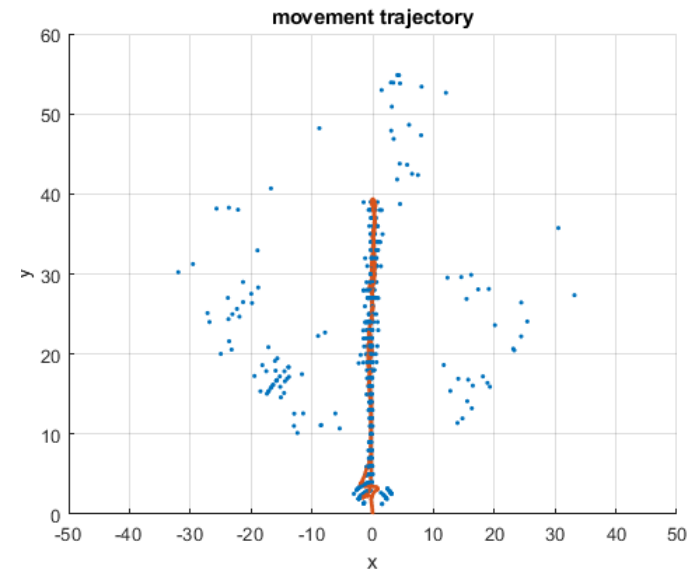
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Objective: Test basic measurement capabilities



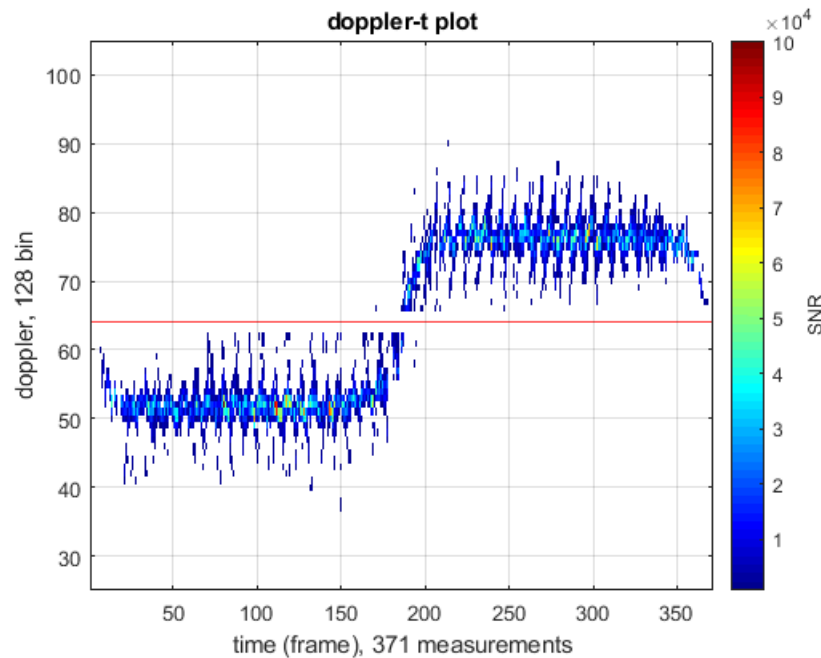
3.1 Test cases 1

Test 1.1 tracking result

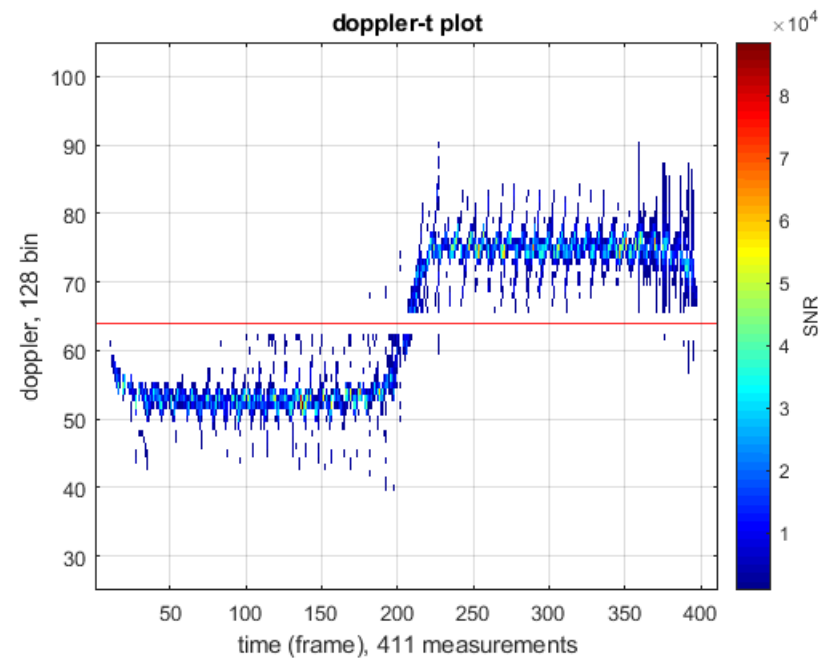


3.2 Feature analysis

pattern sequences comparison test 1.2 and test 1.4



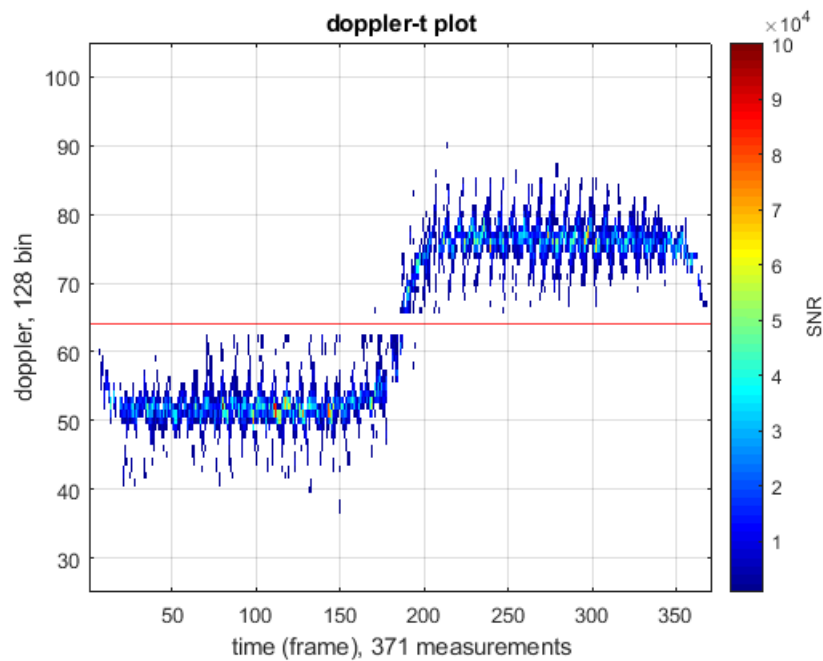
Casual walking



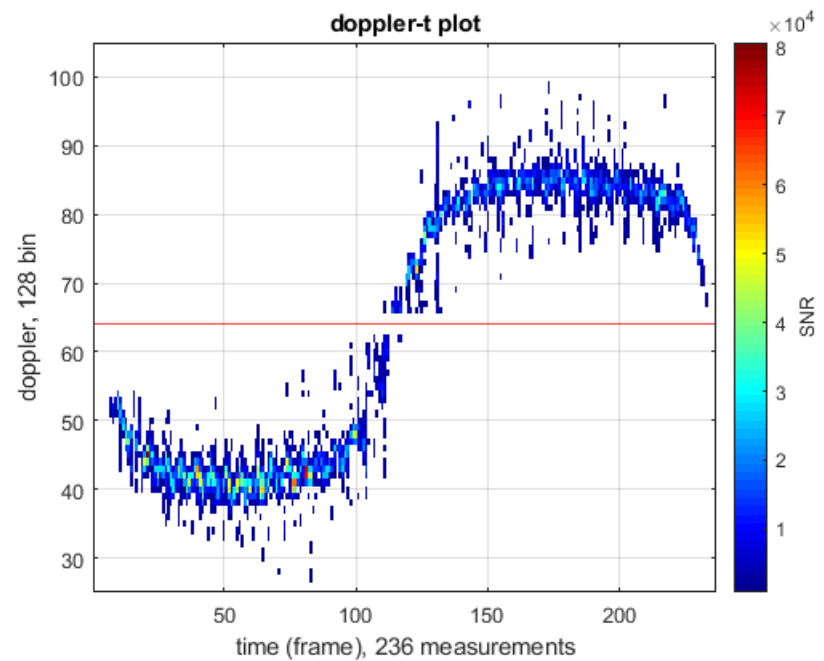
Hands in pockets

3.2 Feature analysis

pattern sequences comparison test 1.2 and test 1.5



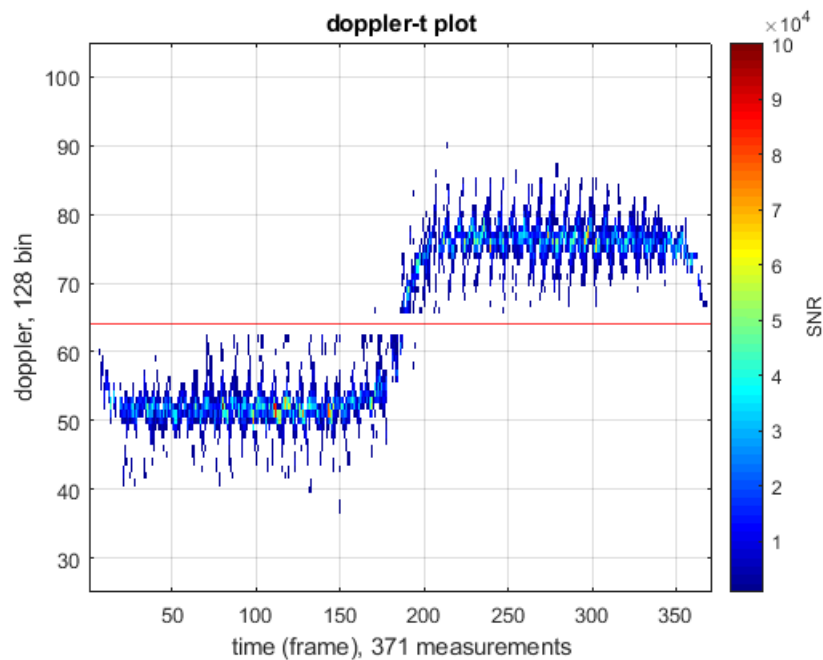
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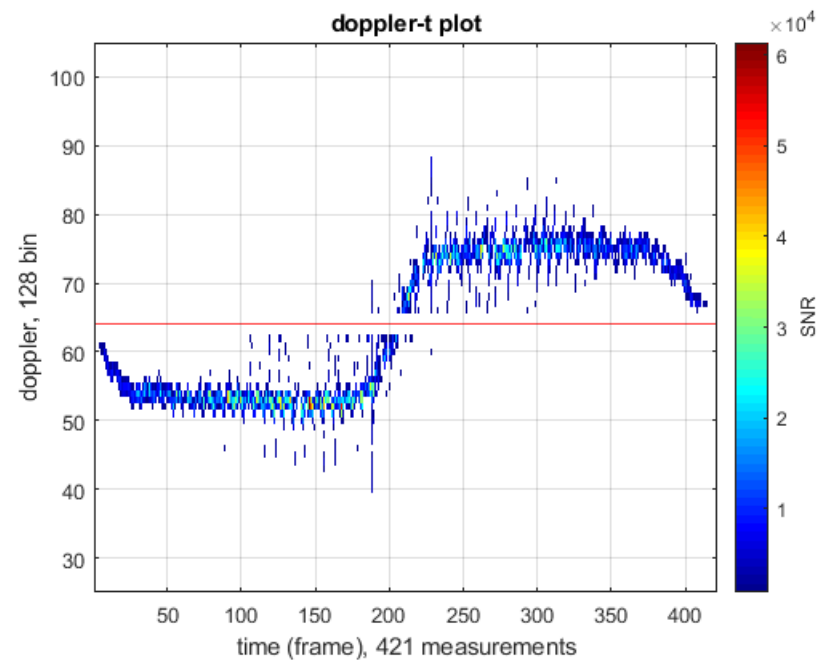
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3.2 Feature analysis

pattern sequences comparison test 1.2 and test 1.8



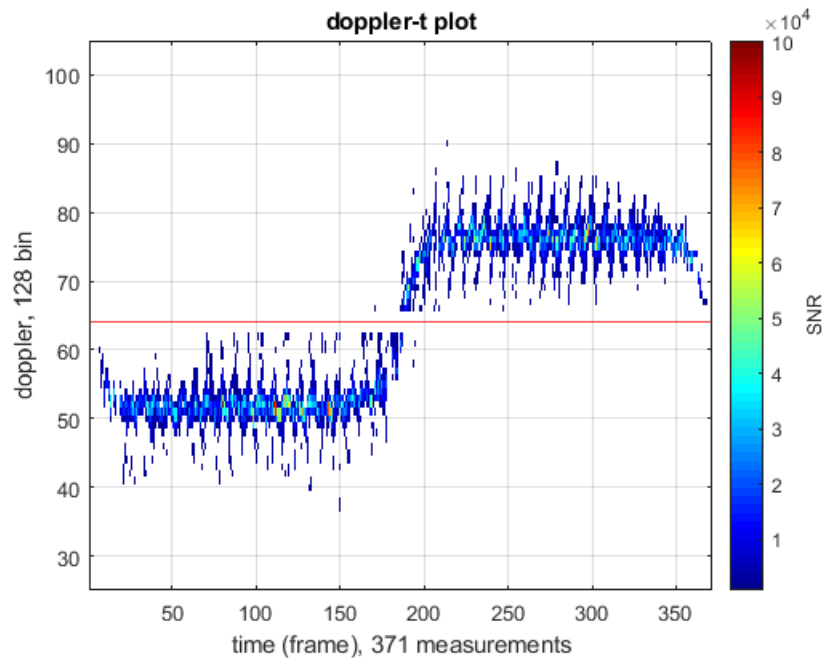
adult



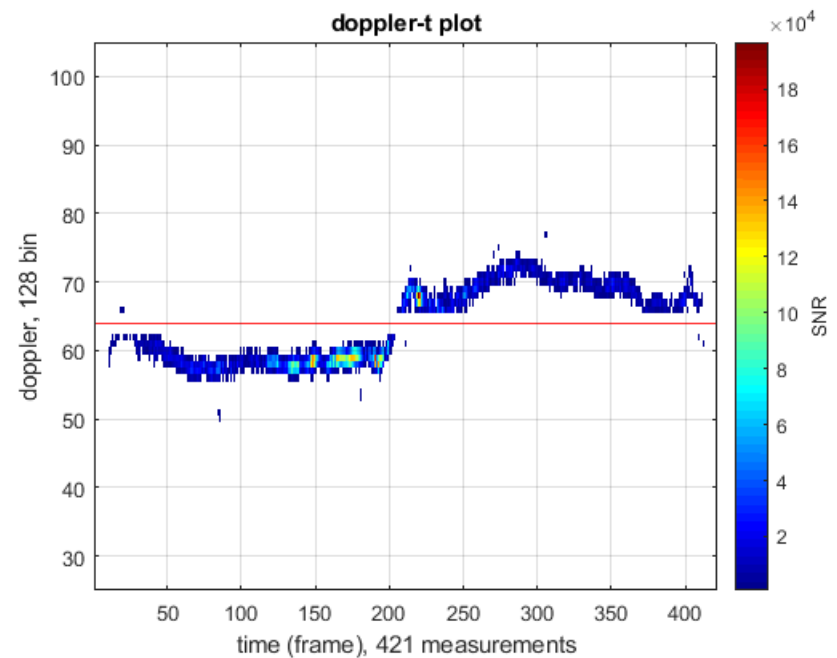
child

3.2 Feature analysis

pattern sequences comparison test 1.2 and test 1.9



adult



cart

3.2 Feature analysis

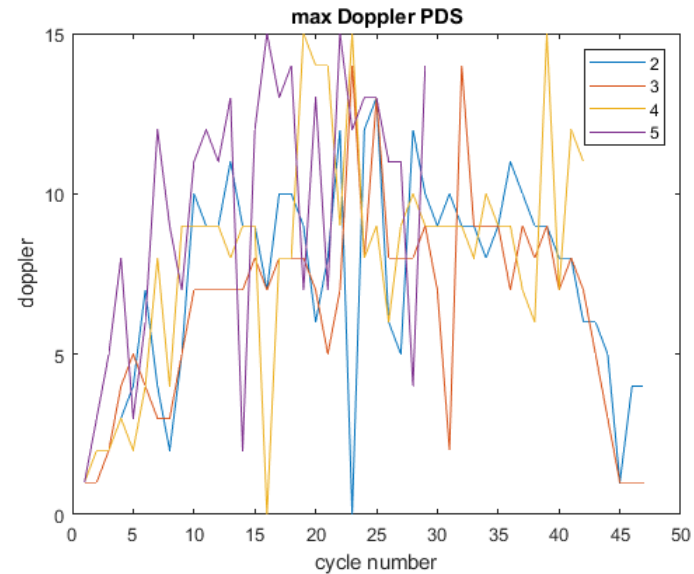
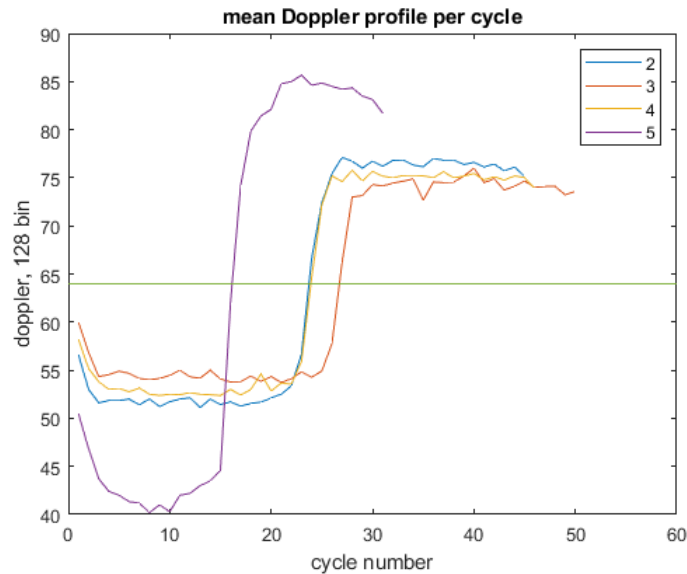
Compare set 1

Test 1.2: person A is walking casually inside a tent.

Test 1.3: person A is walking slower inside a tent.

Test 1.4: person A is walking casually inside a tent with hands in pockets.

Test 1.5: person A is running inside a tent.



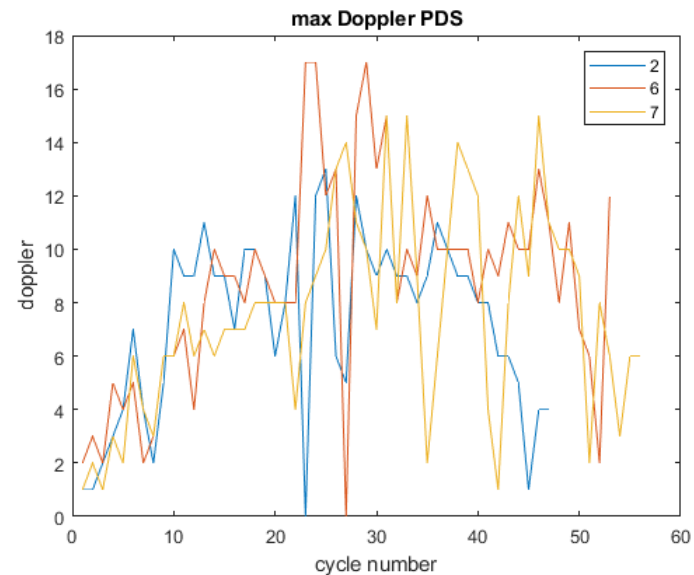
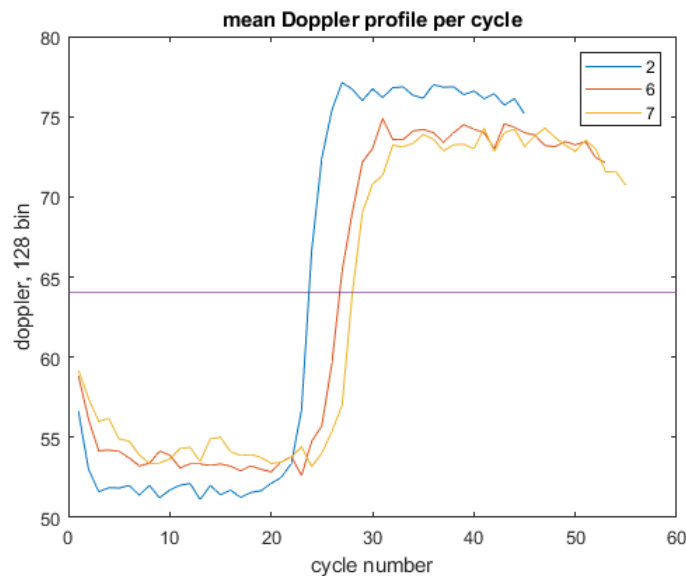
3.2 Feature analysis

Compare set 2

Test 1.2: person A is walking casually inside a tent.

Test 1.6: person B is walking casually inside a tent.

Test 1.7: person C is walking casually inside a tent.



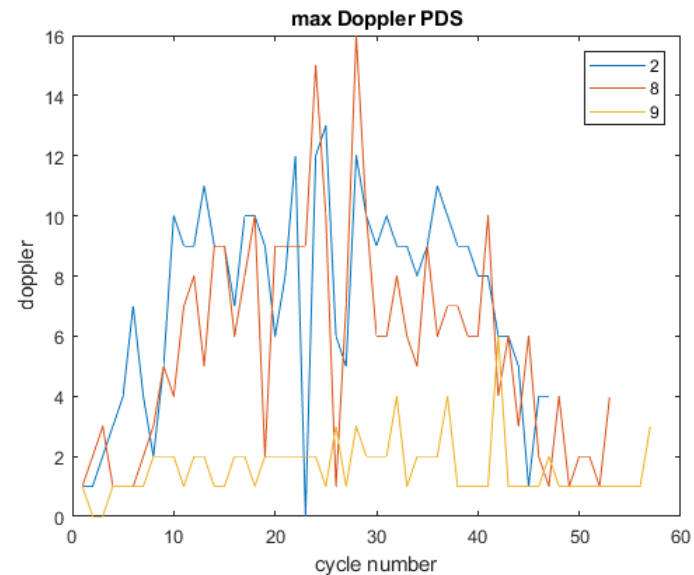
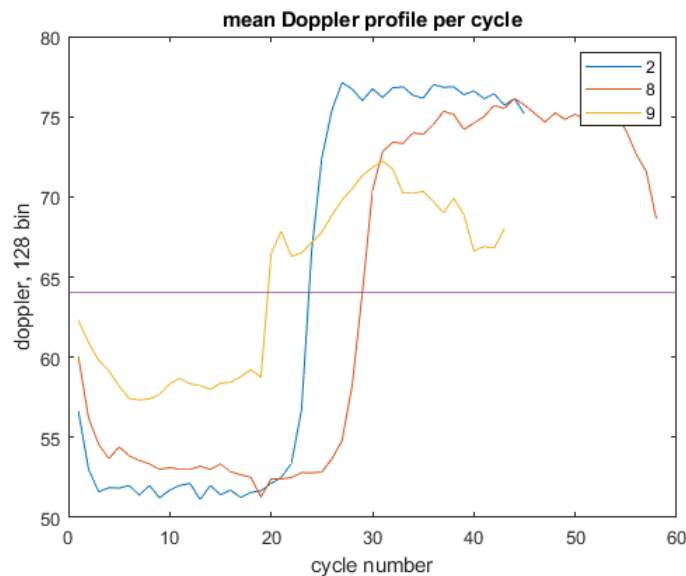
3.2 Feature analysis

Compare set 3

Test 1.2: person A is walking casually inside a tent.

Test 1.8: person D (child) is walking casually inside a tent.

Test 1.9: person A is a moving cart tray in a lab.



3.2 Feature analysis

Cycle measurement of all test 1

	Test	core_cycle	maxDS_cycle	minDS_cycle
walk	Test 1.1	8.1061	8.1194	8.0735
	Test 1.2	7.5556	7.3191	7.4255
	Test 1.3	8.3800	8.7174	9.2500
	Test 1.4	8.0435	8.7857	8.4750
run	Test 1.5	6.5667	6.8929	6.4545
	Test 1.6	8.2642	8.0189	8.3269
	Test 1.7	8.4000	8.0357	8.6346
child	Test 1.8	6.8621	6.9808	6.8571
cart	Test 1.9	8.7143	6.7719	7.2340
	Test 1.10	8.3676	8.0896	7.3788

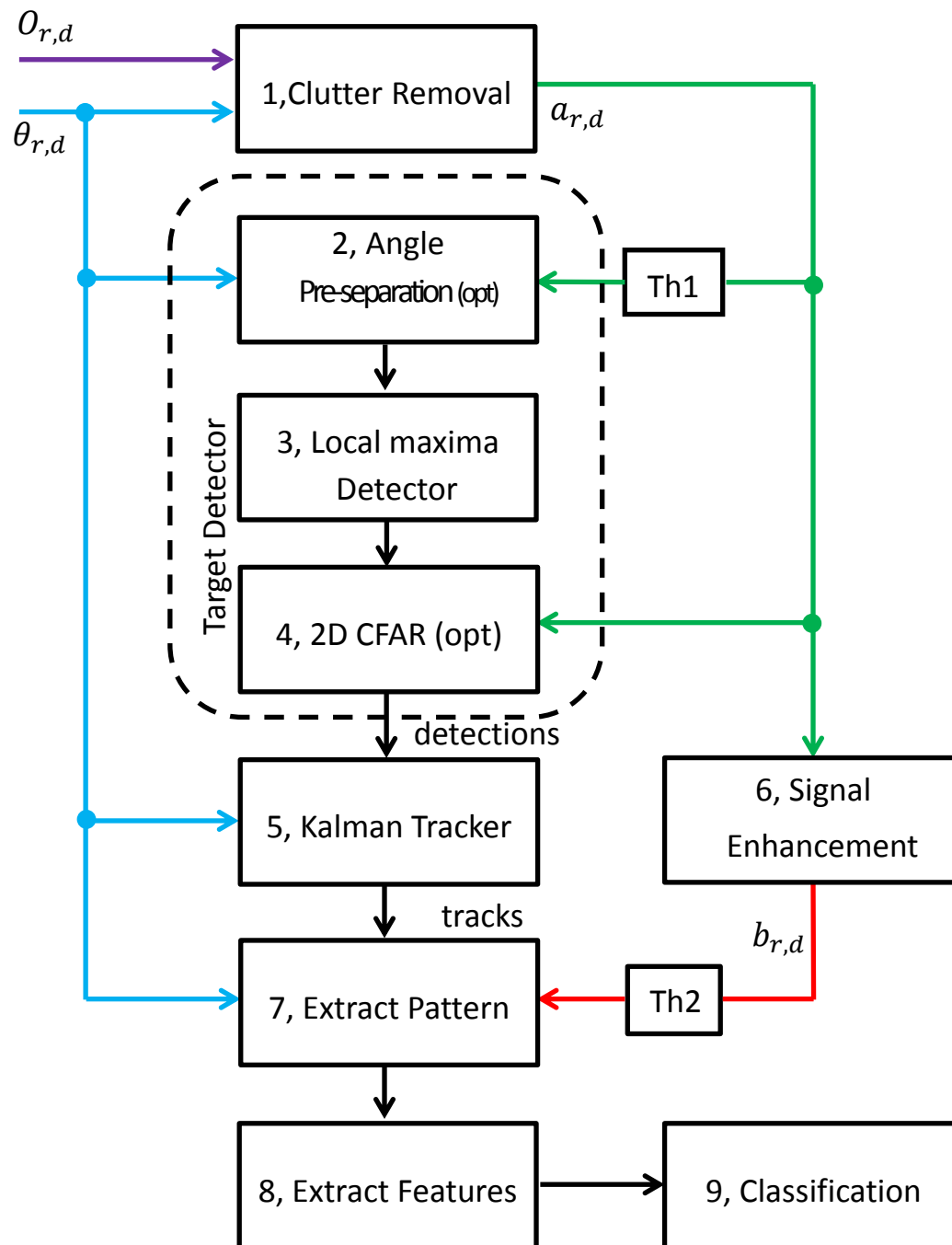
3.2 Feature analysis

short summary

- 1, Pattern cycles: core_cycle, maxDS_cycle, minDS_cycle
walk/run, adult/child
- 2, Average walking radial velocity: walk_mean_v
walk
- 3, NDS and PDS
people/objects
- 4, Walking acceleration: walk_acceleration
not specific result

- 4.1 Signal processing blocks overview
- 4.2 Radar data recording tool
- 4.3 Live tracking tool

4.1 Signal processing blocks overview

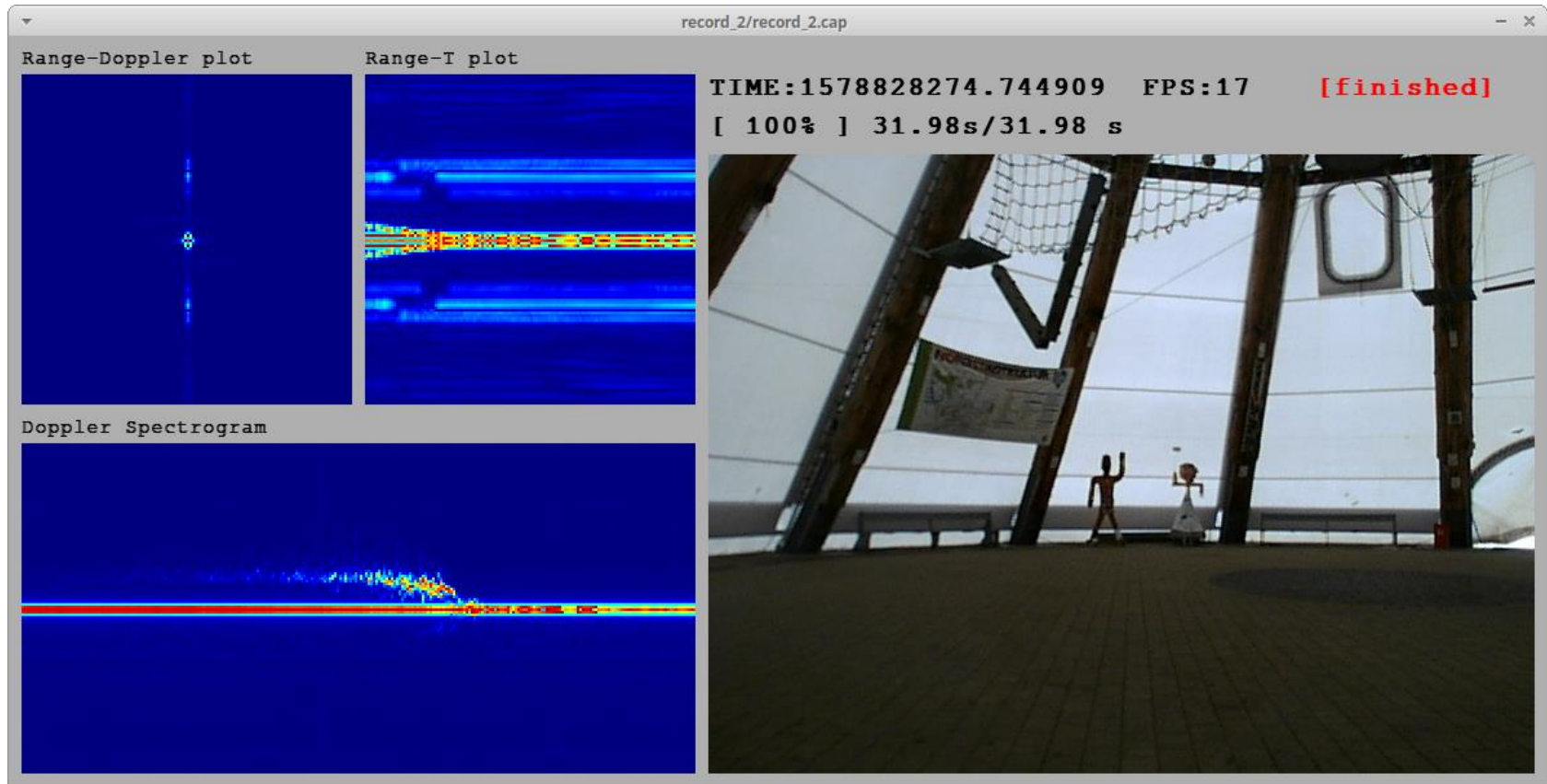


4.1 Radar data recording tool

Application features:

- 1, visualize incoming radar signal
- 2, show pictures of FOV (field of view)
- 3, save incoming radar data and the photo of FOV
- 4, operate by key press

4.1 Radar data recording tool

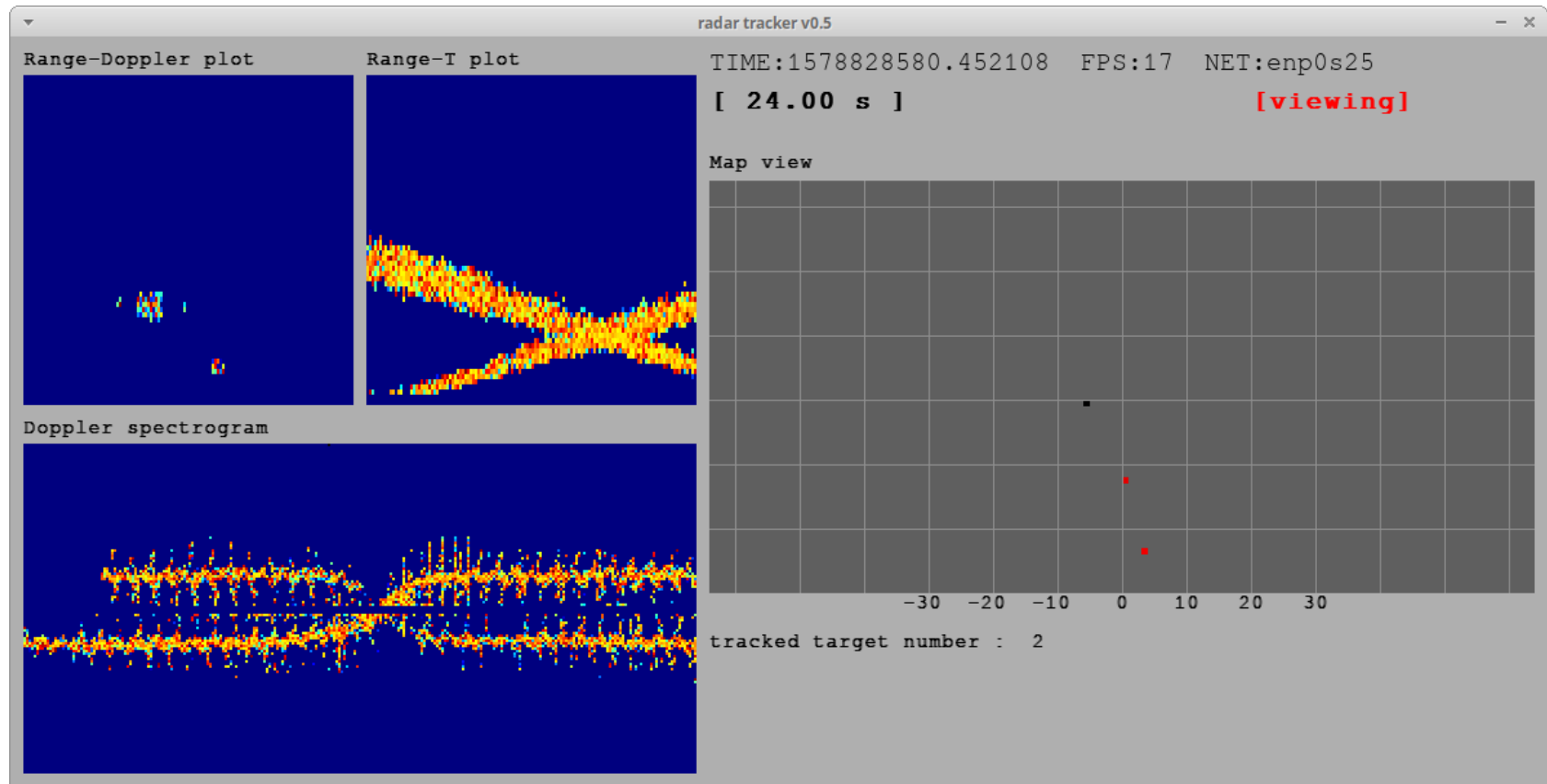


4.2 Live tracking tool

Application features:

- 1, visualize incoming radar signal
- 2, single tracking mode, show detailed features of a single target
- 3, multi-target tracking mode, show the map view of the tracked targets
- 4, operate by key press

4.2 Live tracking tool



5.1 Conclusion

Detection: 2D Maxima and CA-CFAR

Tracking: Multi-target Kalman tracker

Recognition: two pass sampling technique

Classification: simple classification by features is possible

5.2 Future research

Angle separation

Loop optimization, parallelization

Walking model optimization, other features

Port algorithms into radar module

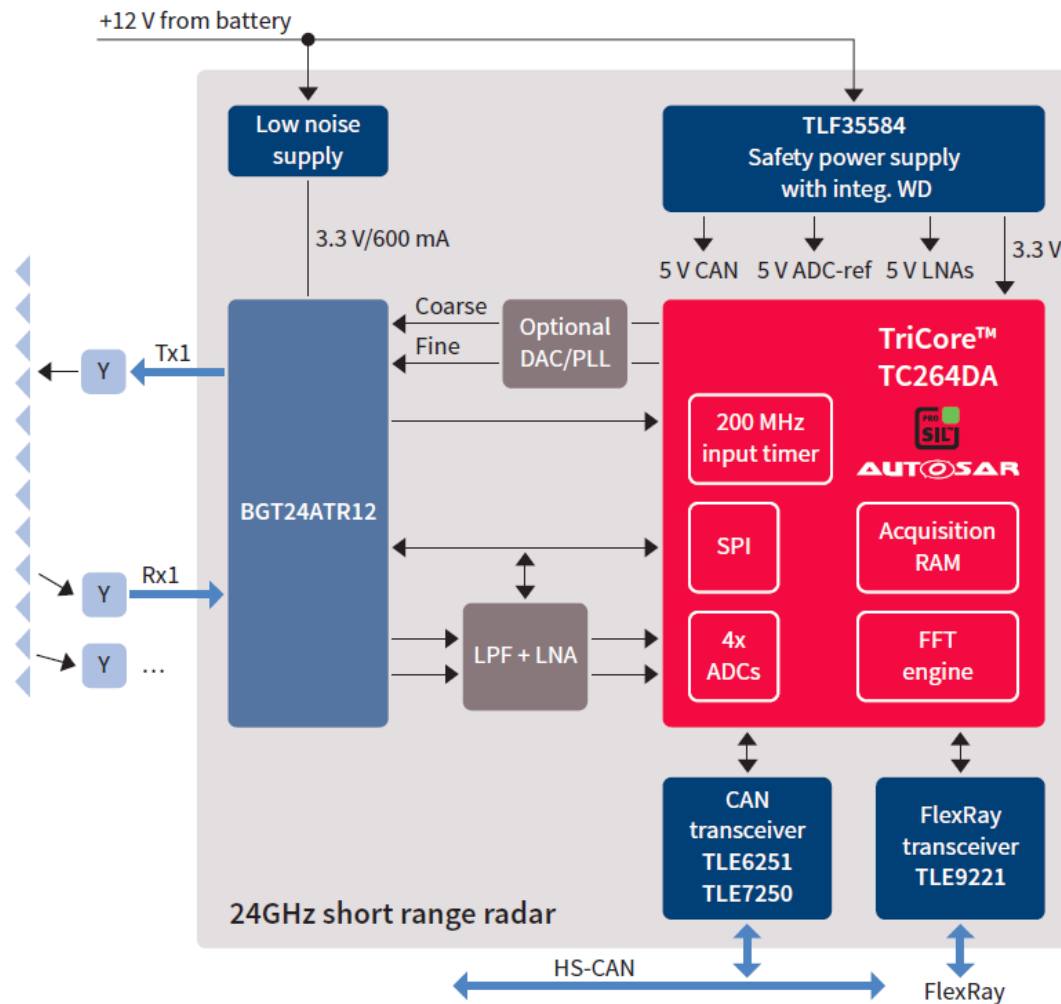
Classification

Thank you

Backup slides

1.4 Radar module

Infinion 24 GHz automotive radar kit (block diagram)



1.4 Literature research

Clutter filtering

Clustering algorithms

K-Means Clustering, Mean-Shift, DBSCAN

Kalman Filter

Classification

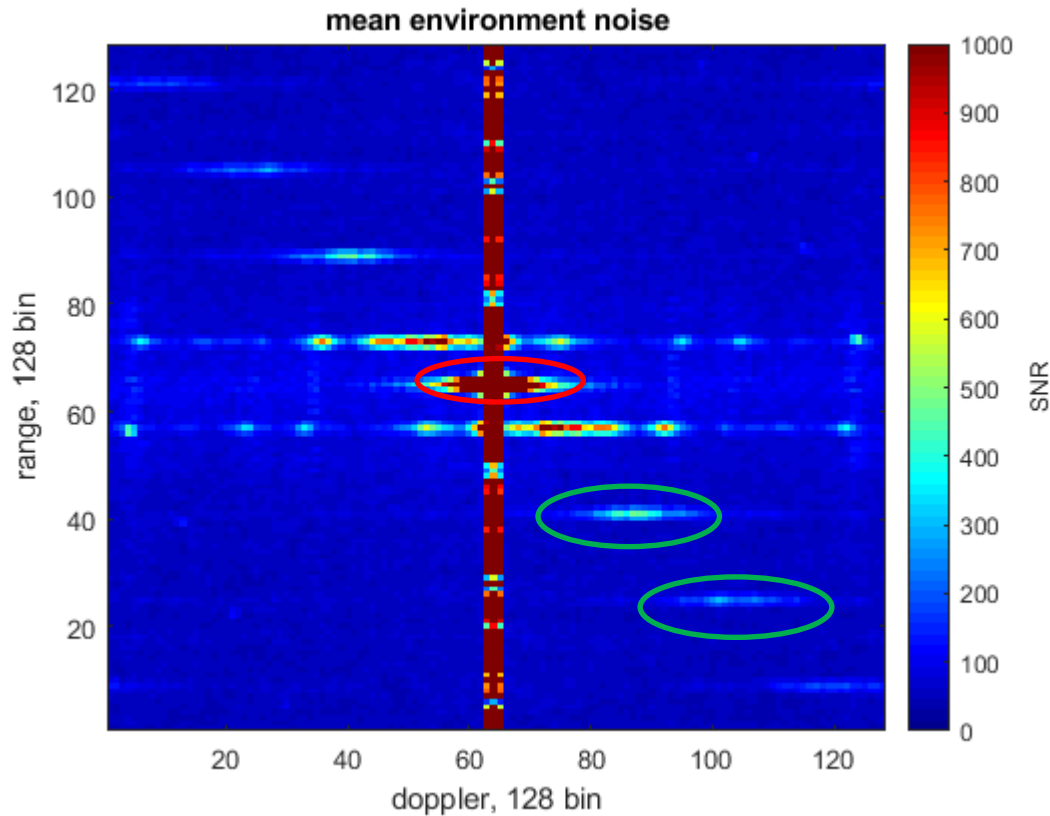
SVM, HMM

2.1 Signal preprocessing

2.1.2 Clutter removal

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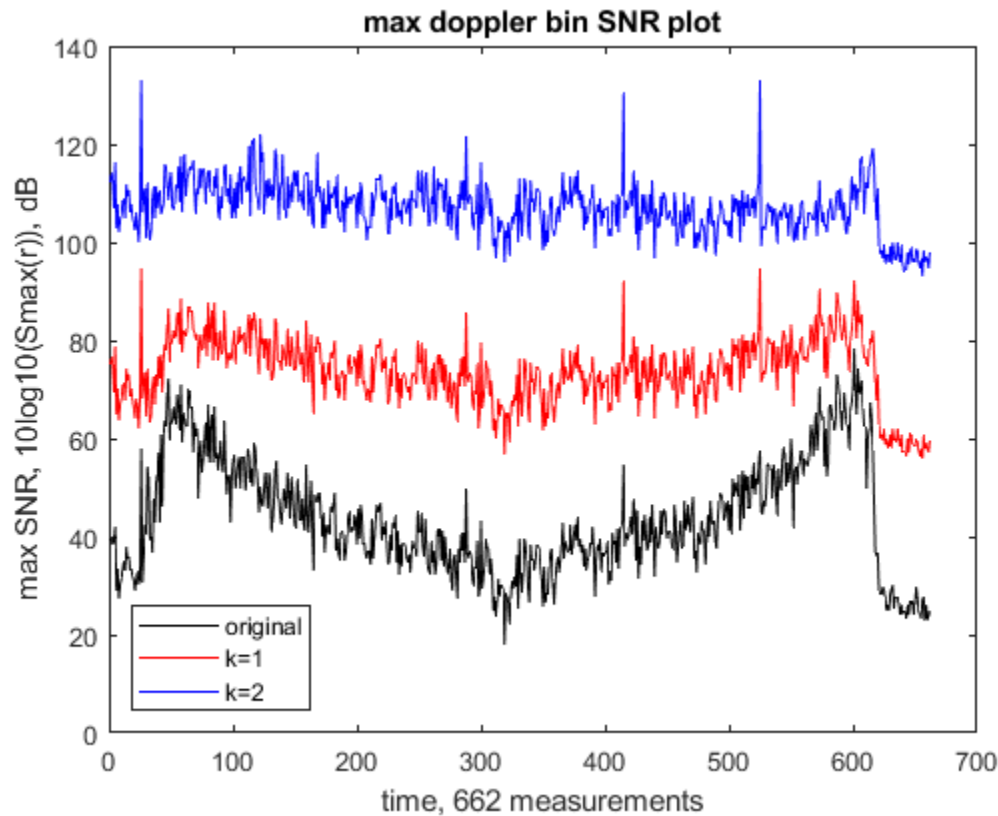
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2.1.3 Weak signal enhancement

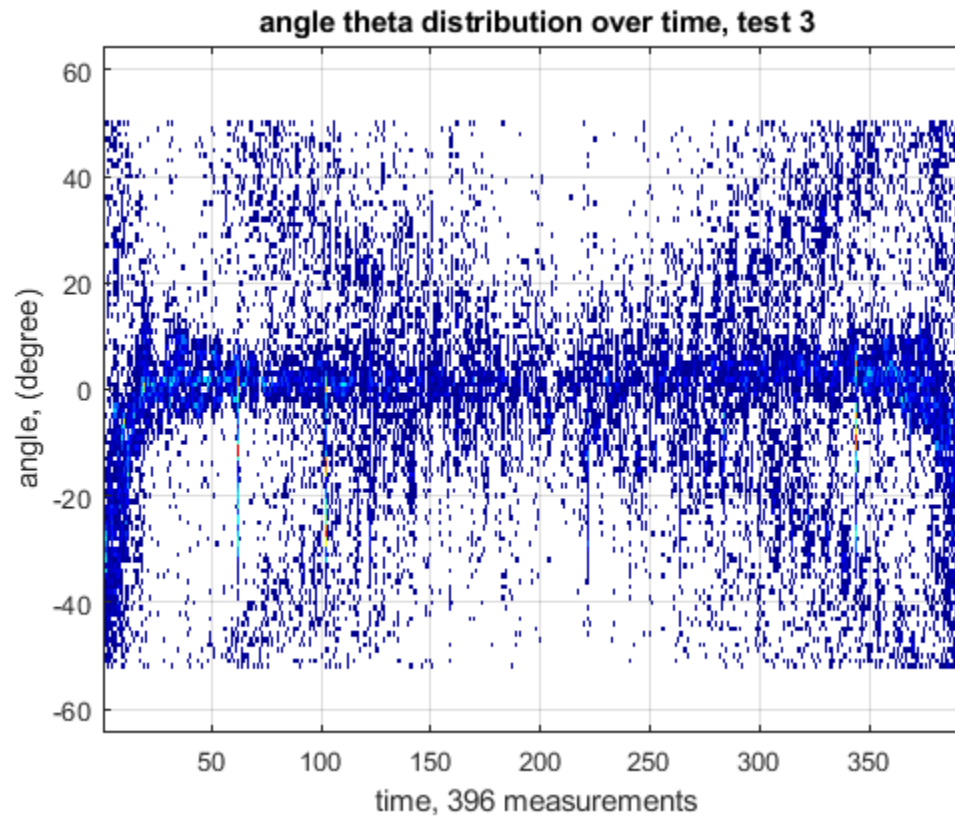
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2.1 Signal preprocessing

2.1.4 Signal detection

angle pre-separation (3 person)



2.2 Target tracking

2.2.1 Kalman filter

prediction

$$\bar{X}_t = A \cdot X_{t-1}$$

$$\bar{P}_t = A \cdot P_{t-1} \cdot A^T + E_x$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ v_x \\ v_y \end{bmatrix}_t = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & T & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & T \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ v_x \\ v_y \end{bmatrix}_{t-1}$$

update

$$K_t = \bar{P}_t \cdot H^T \cdot (H \cdot \bar{P}_t \cdot H^T + E_z)^{-1}$$

$$X_t = \bar{X}_t + K_t \cdot (z_t - H \cdot \bar{X}_t)$$

$$P_t = (I - K_t \cdot H) \cdot \bar{P}_t$$

2.2 Target tracking

2.2.1 Kalman filter

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & T & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & T \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad T \approx 59.6ms$$

$$E_x = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{T^4}{4} & 0 & \frac{T^3}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{T^4}{4} & 0 & \frac{T^3}{2} \\ \frac{T^3}{2} & 0 & T^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{T^3}{2} & 0 & T^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E_z = \begin{bmatrix} z_x & 0 \\ 0 & z_y \end{bmatrix}, \quad z_x = z_y \approx 1e-2$$

2.2 Target tracking

2.2.3 Multi-target tracking

hungarian algorithm

7	8	89	43	84
13	3	69	83	27
5	1	22	6	34
21	4	45	24	2
6	33	5	58	29

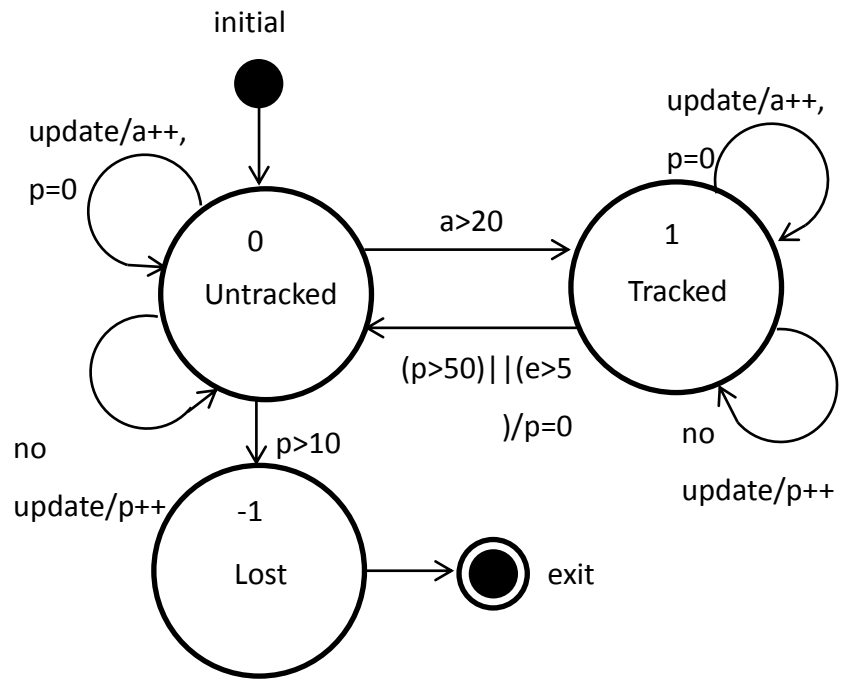
Objective: minimize cost

Min cost = $7+3+5+6+2=23$

2.2 Target tracking

2.2.3 Multi-target tracking

track state transition



a: the number of valid target inputs of a track

p: the number of continuous updates without valid target input

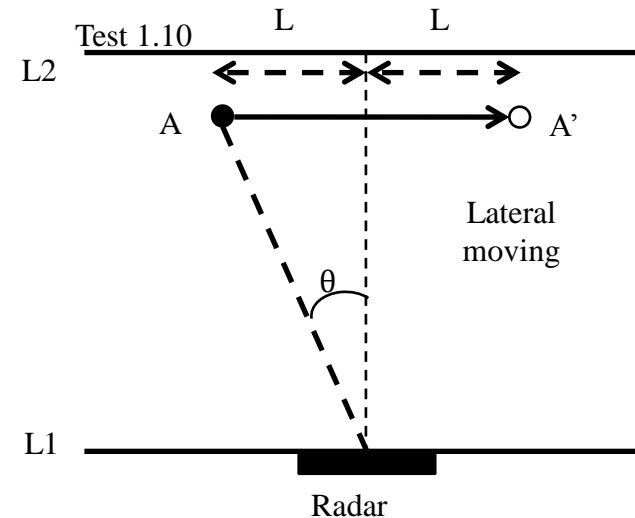
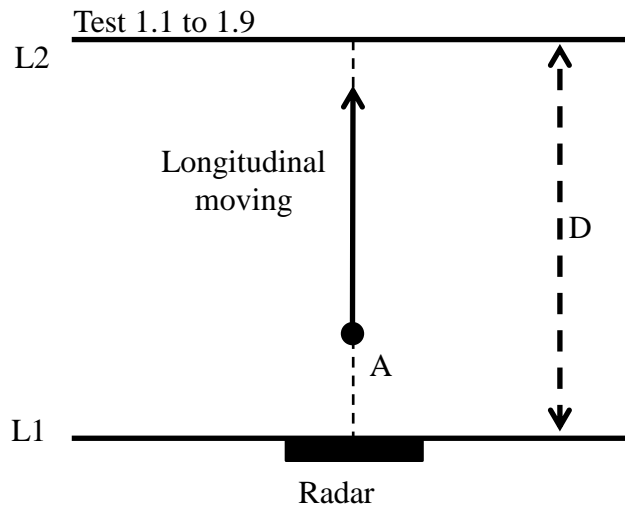
e: the mean error between the target input and estimation

3.1 Test cases 1

Test 1.1 – 1.10

Scenario: One people walking (longitudinal and lateral)

Objective: Test basic measurement capabilities

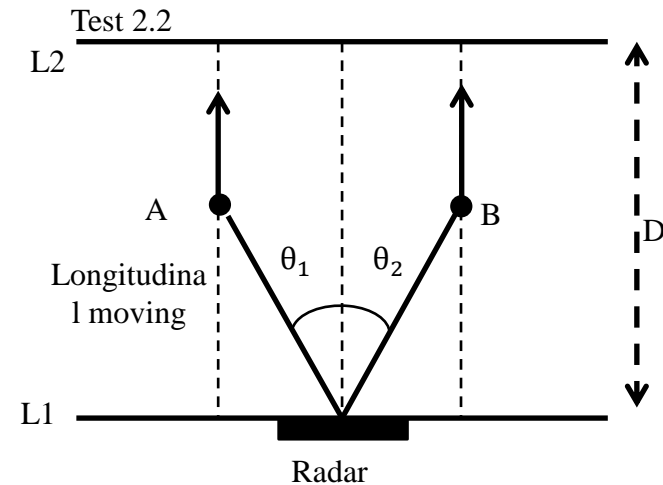
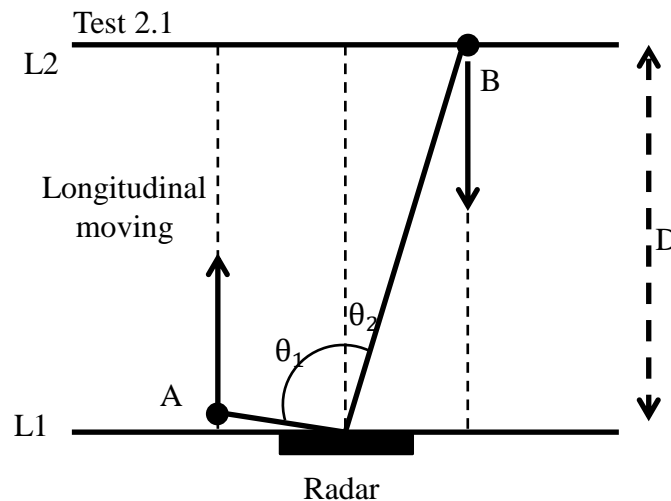


3.2 Test cases 2

Test 2.1 – 2.2

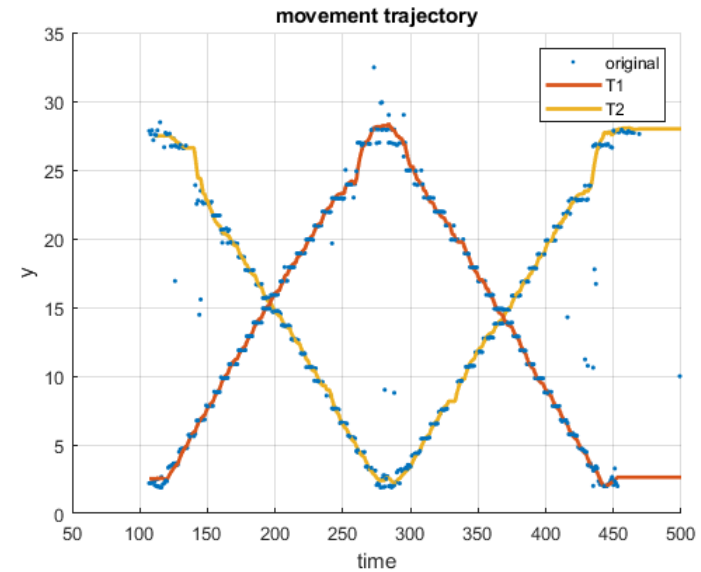
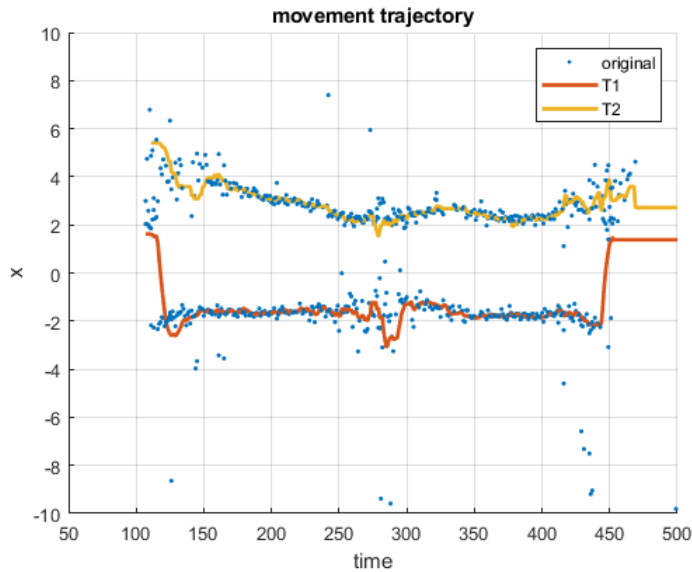
Scenario: two people walking (longitudinal and lateral)

Objective: test the two target measurement capabilities

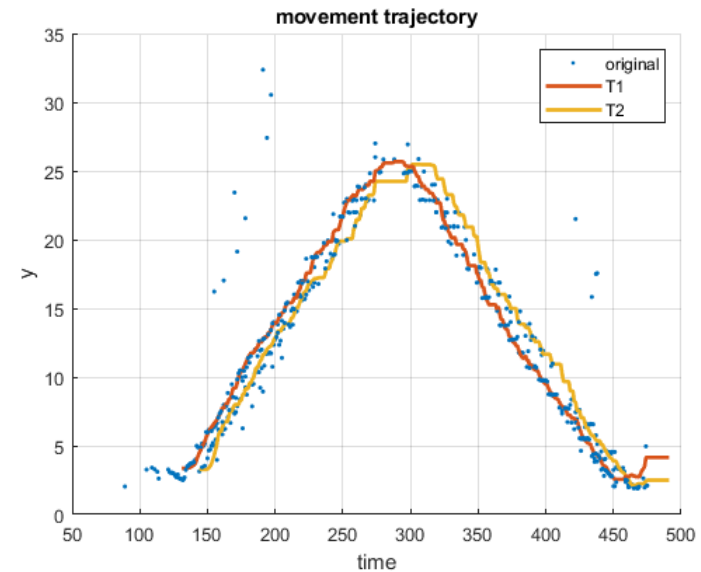


3.2 Test cases 2 Test 2.1 – 2.2 tracking result

Test
2.1



Test
2.2

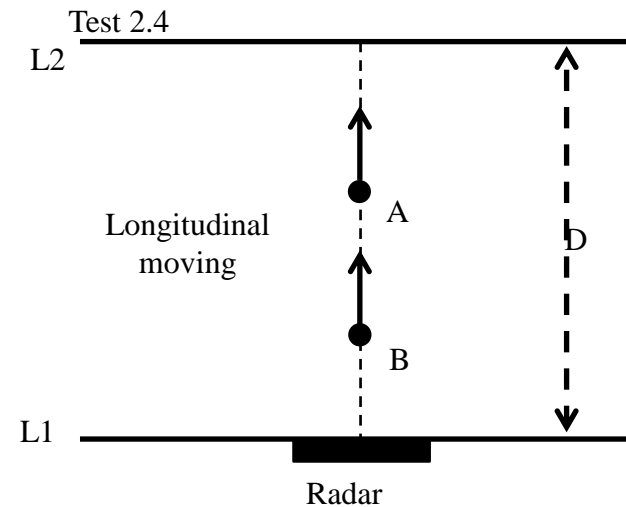
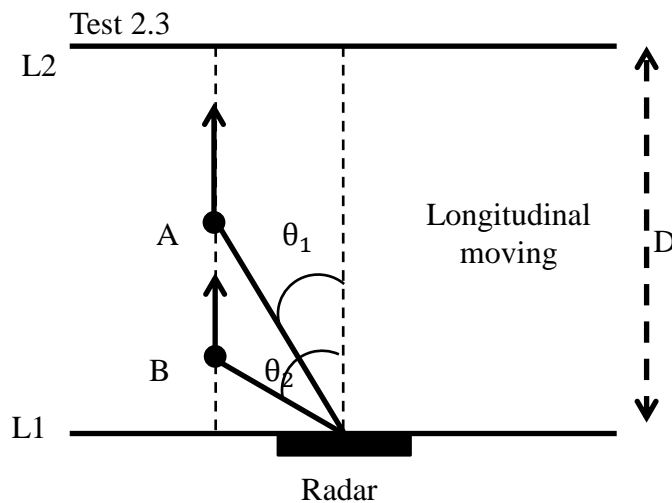


3.2 Test cases 2

Test 2.3 – 2.4

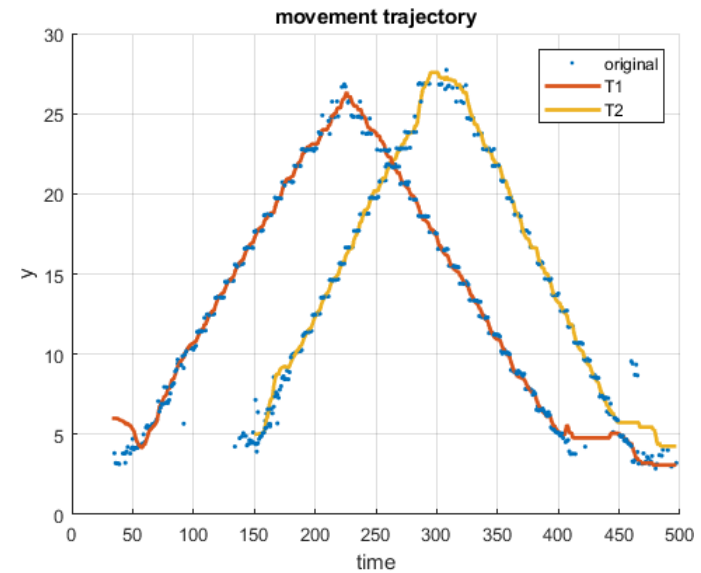
Scenario: two people walking (longitudinal and lateral)

Objective: test the two target measurement capabilities

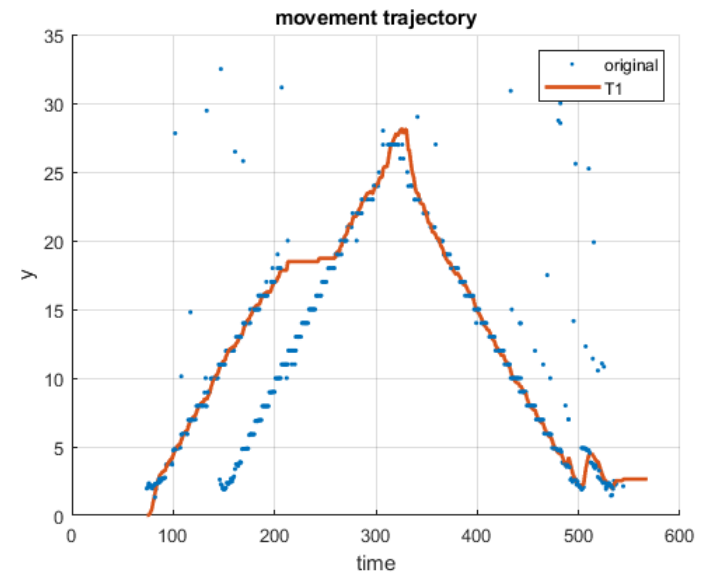
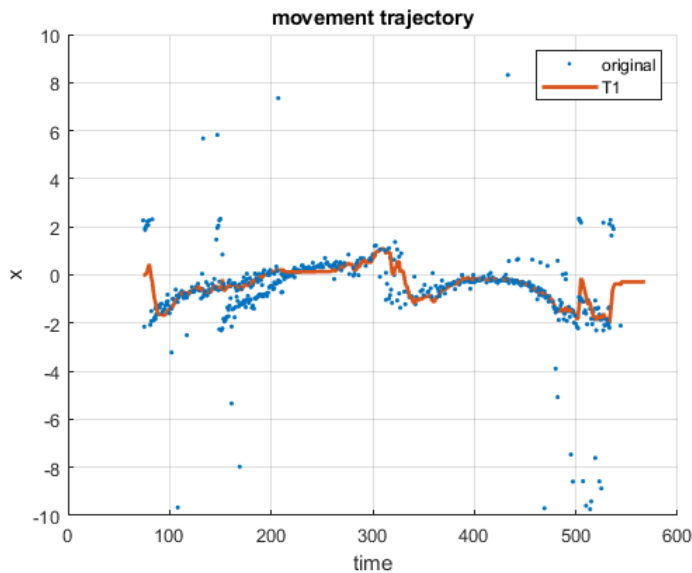


3.2 Test cases 2 Test 2.3 – 2.4 tracking result

Test
2.3



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2.4



3.2 Test cases 3

Test 3

Scenario: three people walking (longitudinal).

Objective: test the three target measurement capabilities

