

# Query by Content for Time Series Data in RDBMS

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# Roadmap

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- **Querying non-text data**
- Time series data
- ECG data
- ECG sequence classification
- Extending RDBMS

# Non-text data

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- Music
- Speech
- Biosignals
  
- Images
- Video

# Querying non-text data

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- **By describing content**
  - Query by associated text
  - Labels, html, etc.
- **By content**
  - Similarity search
  - Similarity or distance function is required
  - Provided by a domain expert

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# Time series data

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- A sequence of pairs  $(t[i], v[i])$ 
  - A timestamp and a value.
  - Delta  $t$  is usually constant.
- Sometimes, the absolute time value is not important.
- Then, the time series is just a sequence of values.

# Time series data

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- Querying have been well studied for the past 20 years
- Two types of queries
  - Whole sequence match
  - Subsequence match

# Similarity Search on Time Series Data

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- Whole Sequence Match
  - Given a query pattern  $q$  of length  $n$ , and a DB,  $B$ , of sequences of length  $n$
  - Find all  $b \in B$  such that

$$\textit{Dist}(q, b) \leq \varepsilon$$

# Similarity Search on Time Series Data

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- **Sub Sequence Match**
  - Given a query pattern  $q$  of length  $n$ , and a DB,  $B$ , of sequences of arbitrary length (each one longer than  $q$ )
  - Find all pairs  $(b, i)$ ,  $b \in B$ , such that

$$\text{Dist}(q, b[i : i + n]) \leq \varepsilon$$

# How can we do this efficiently?

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- For conventional data, we build an index and use it to prune the search space.
  - A linear order exists among the objects in the DB.
- For time series, we do not have a linear ordering.
- We can treat a (sub) sequence as a point in  $n$ -space.
  - $n$  is too large
  - Curse of dimensionality

# Searching for (sub) sequences

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- **Generic Multimedia Indexing: GEMINI**
  - Map database Objects into a feature space.
  - Index the transformed objects using a SAM
  - Transform query objects to the feature space
  - Search in this feature space
  - Filter out false positives

# Mapping into a Feature Space

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- DFT
- DWT
- PAA
- APCA
- SAX
- Etc.

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# ECG Data

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- We want to do KDD on time series.
  - Let us concentrate on a particular domain.
  - Medicine has a high social impact.
  - ECG data has some very interesting challenges.
  
- Can we build upon existing models?
  - Can we use try and tested RDBMS'?

# ~~Issues~~ Challenges with ECG data

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- An ECG contains more than one signal
  - Usually 2 or 12 leads
- Different ECG's might have different lengths
  - A few minutes to a couple of days
- Different ECG's might have different sampling ratios
  - 128 Hz to 1 or 2 KHz
- Values' bit-depth might also vary among ECG's
  - 8 to 20 bits per value

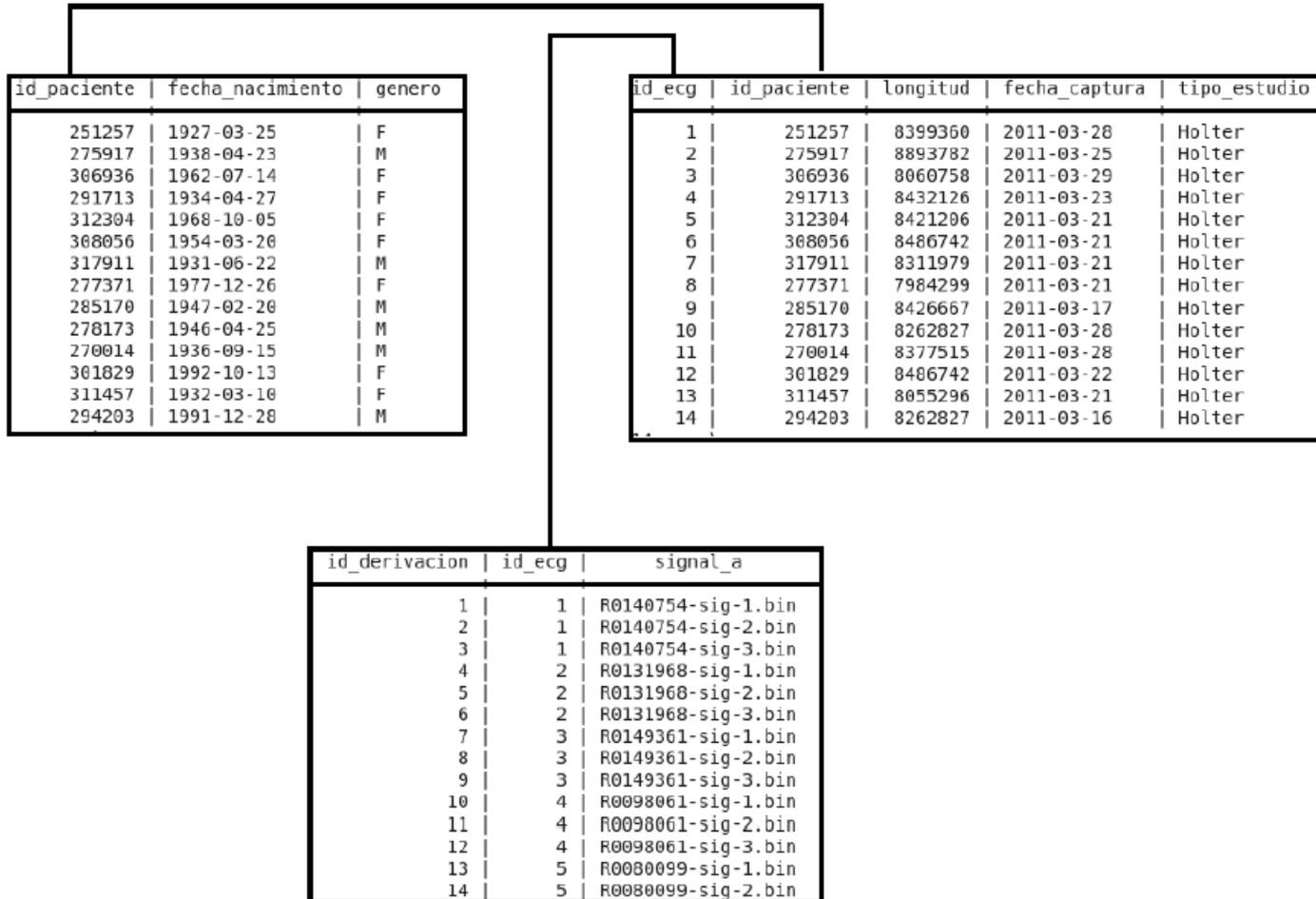
# What about database systems?

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- All these characteristics can be captured by the ER model just fine.
- In turn, this model can be transformed into relation.

# An instance of an ECG DB

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# What needs to be done?

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- The content of an ECG signal is not a conventional data type.
- We need to define operators on this type
  - What operators?
    - ✦ Similarity Search
    - ✦ Define a formal model

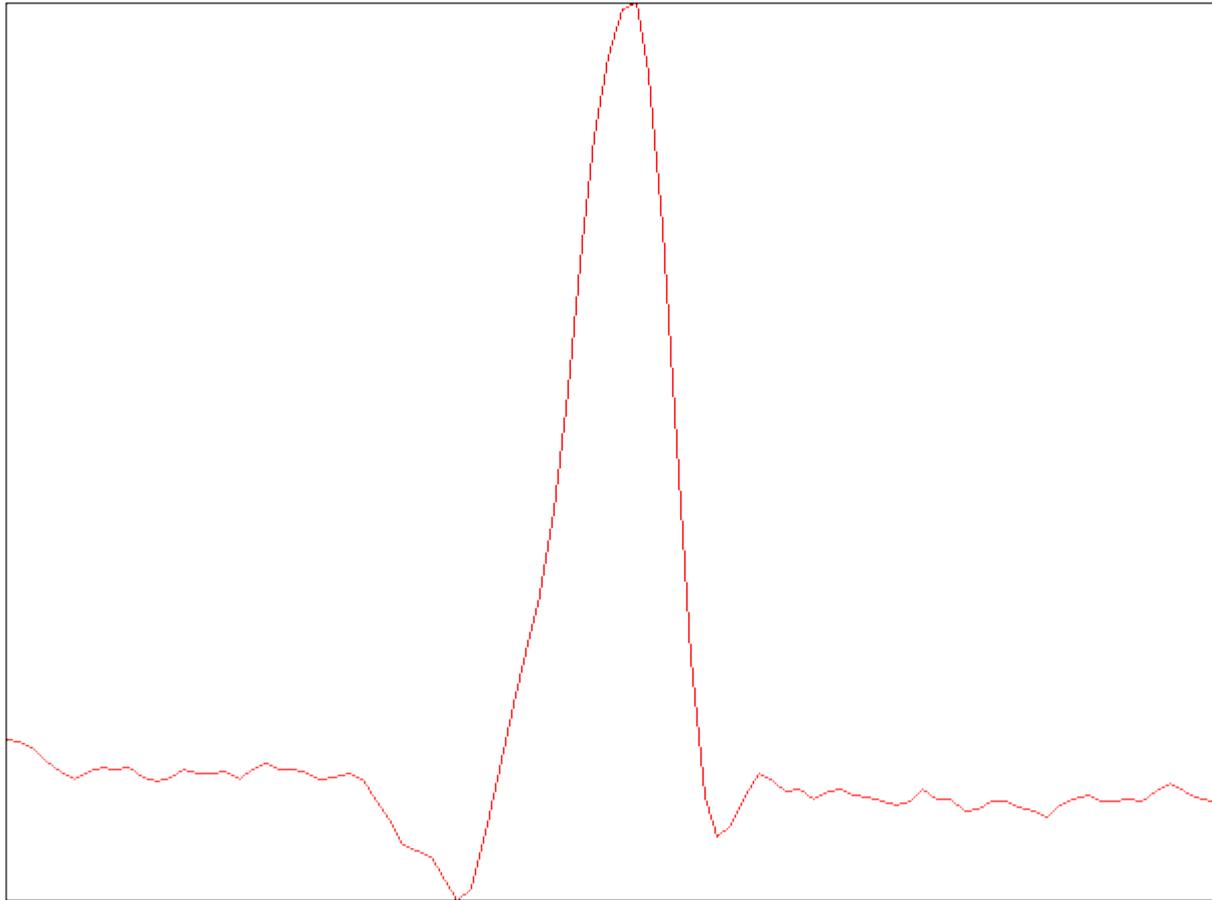
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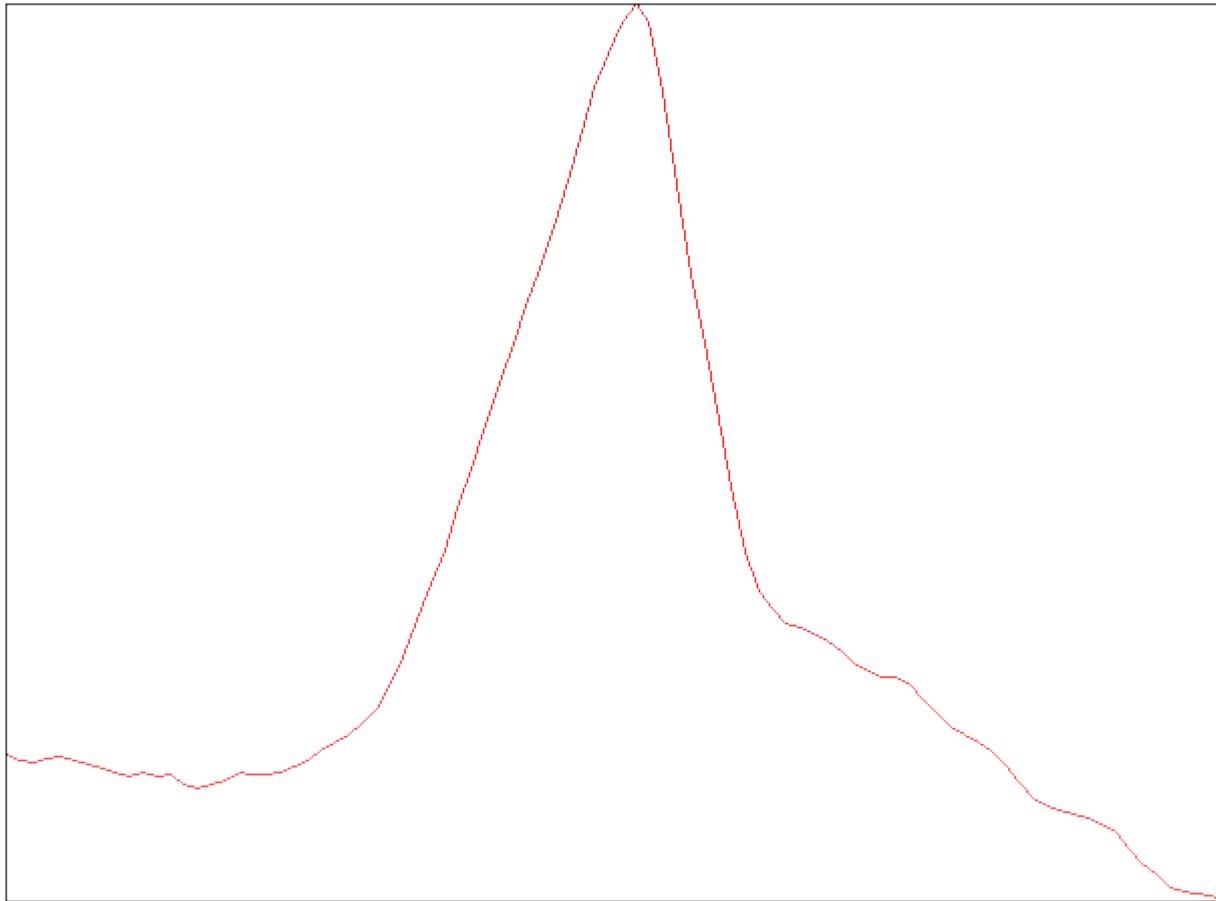
# Normal Hearth Beat

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# Premature Ventricular Contraction

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# Similarity Search

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- **K-nn search**
  - This gives us signals and the position of a matching subsequence
- **Subsequence retrieval**
  - This gives us the content of the matching signal

# K-NN Search

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```
SELECT NN(D.signal, query_pattern, n)
FROM ECG_DATA D
WHERE <condition>;
```

# Sub-sequence Fetch

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```
SELECT subsequence(D.signal, position, n)
FROM ECG_DATA D
WHERE D.signal = signal_id;
```

# What about the Distance Function?

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- For Querying Time Series, the DB community has been using  $L_p$  norm.
  - Most often Euclidean
- Cardiologist use Cross Correlation
  - This is not an  $L_P$  norm
  - SAM's cannot be used.

# Euclidean Distance

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$$\textit{Dist}(X, Y) = \sqrt{\sum_i (x[i] - y[i])^2}$$

# Cross Correlation Distance

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$$\text{Dist}(X, Y) = \frac{\sum_i |x[i] - \hat{x}| |y[i] - \hat{y}|}{\sqrt{\sum_i (x[i] - \hat{x})^2} \sqrt{\sum_i (y[i] - \hat{y})^2}}$$

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# Similarity Searching with UDF

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```
SELECT nn_ecg_file(s.valores_archivo, 'latido_ventricular_prematura.bin', 90)
FROM signal_d s;
```

resultado:

nn\_ecg\_file

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/fcod-data-mitdb-223-signal-1.bin 561057 2.696500

(1 row)

# Sub-sequence Fetch

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```
SELECT subsequence(s.valores_archivo, 561057, 90)
FROM signal_d s
WHERE s.valores_archivo LIKE '%fcod-data-mitdb-223-signal-1.bin';
```

resultado:

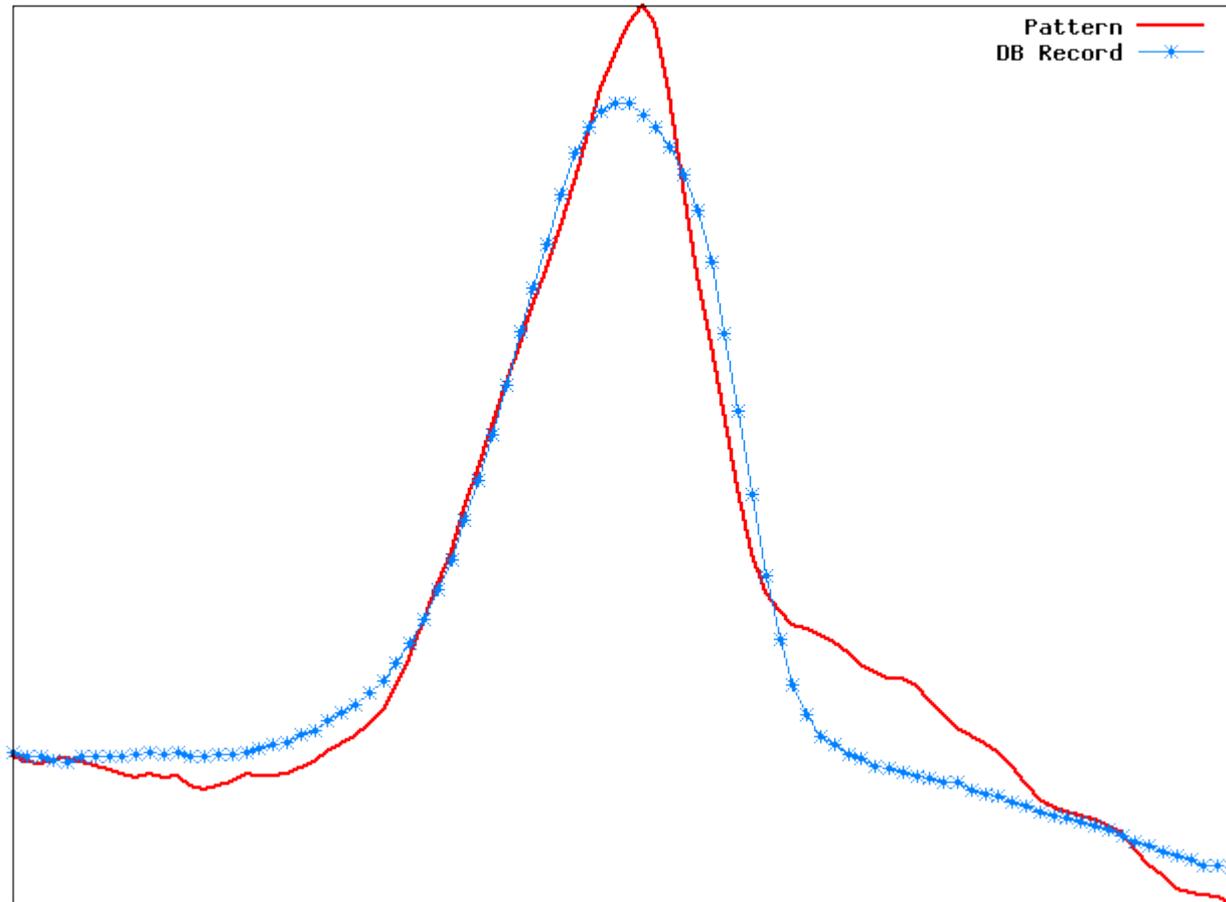
subsequence

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0 -0.580000
1 -0.595000
2 -0.595000
3 -0.605000
4 -0.610000
5 -0.595000
6 -0.595000
7 -0.595000
8 -0.590000
9 -0.585000
10 -0.575000
11 -0.585000
12 -0.580000
13 -0.595000
14 -0.595000
15 -0.585000
```

--More-- (27%)

# PVC: A Match in the DB

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# Which distance function is better?

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- Using the MIT-BIH Arrhythmia DB
- For healthy – non-healthy classification
  - 98.35 % for Euclidean.
  - 98.59 % For Cross Correlation.
- For pathology classification (15 classes)
  - 97.70 % For Euclidean.
  - 98.14 % For Cross Correlation.
- Too close to call

# Are UDF's Efficient?

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- We stored ECG signals as BLOBs and as reference to a file.
- We developed an ad-hoc stand alone search application.
  - This uses a file repository.
- Using BLOBs has significant overhead both in storage (5X) and in total elapsed time (10X).
- UDF's on files are as efficient as ad-hoc queries.

# Conclusions

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- **Similarity Search is complex because all data must be scanned.**
  - It can be efficiently implemented to extend a RDBMS.
  - Compared to an ad-hoc query.
- **It is worth exploring GEMINI.**
  - Now that we now that Euclidean distance can be used.
- **Data encoding should be considered.**
  - We might not be getting much IO savings

# Questions

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# Thanks!

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