

# An Estimation Method of Intellectual Work Performance by Using Physiological Indices

## Agenda

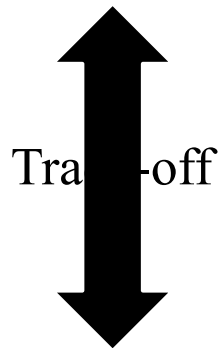
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## Background

Less-Energy



The improvement of  
Intellectual productivity

The evaluation method of  
Intellectual productivity is required

### ■ Requirements

The evaluation can be performed ...

- under the environment like office
- by using various cognitive tasks

■ the evaluation by using contactless-  
measurable physiological indices is suitable

- These indices can be measured under various environments.
- They reflect cognitive load
- × There is few method which can evaluate intellectual productivity directly with these indices

## Purpose

- The task performance evaluation method by using physiological indices

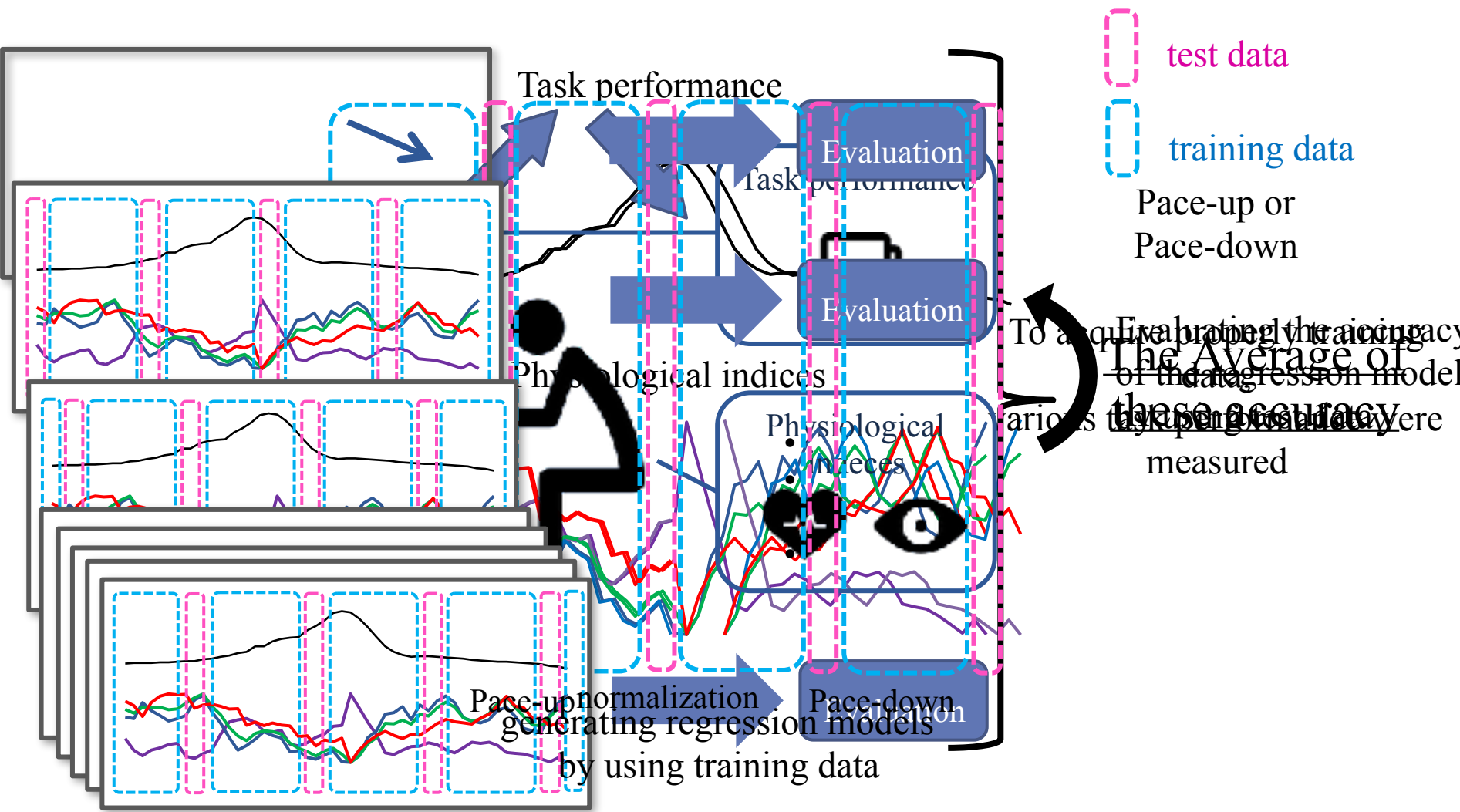
The method...

- evaluates the performance of cognitive task simulating office work
- employs machine learning : SVR, Random forest
- employs pupil diameter and heart rate variability because they are contactless-measurable



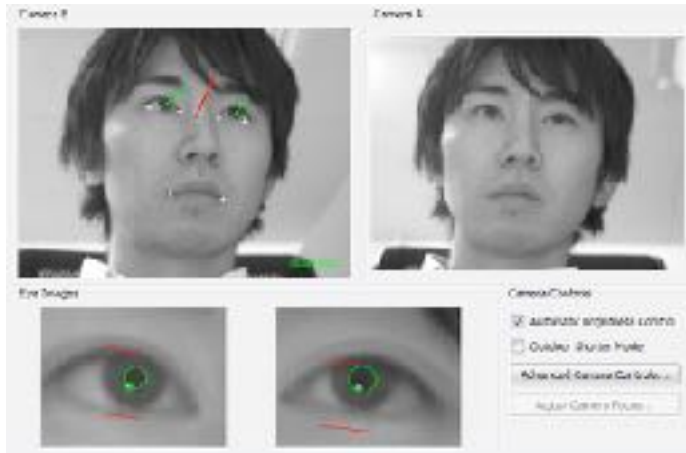
If the method can be developed, intellectual productivity can be employed as the control variable of the control system such as BEMS (:building energy management system)

# Method : Overview



## Physiological indices

- Pupil diameter



Measurement with  
Infrared camera

- Heart rate variability



Measurable by using camera  
(future)

This study employed electrodes

- The feature values were extracted in 5-minute timeframe with shifting it every 1 minute.

# Cognitive task – Receipt Classification Task

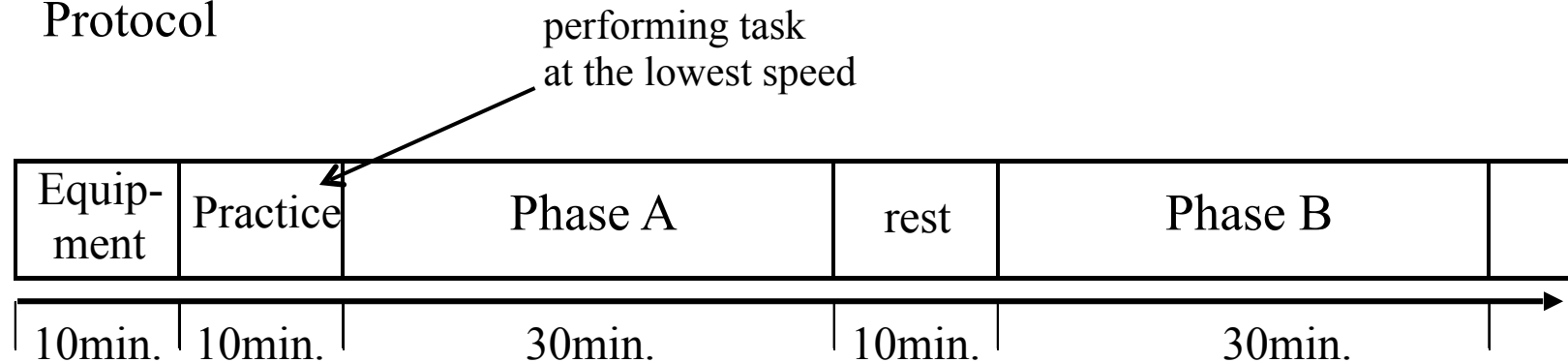
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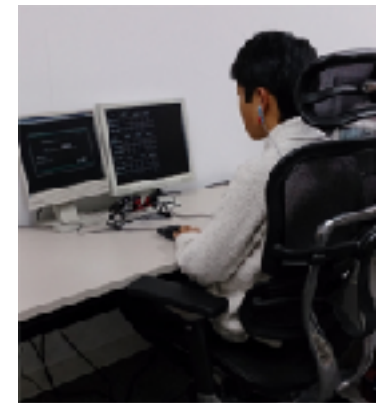
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## Experiment

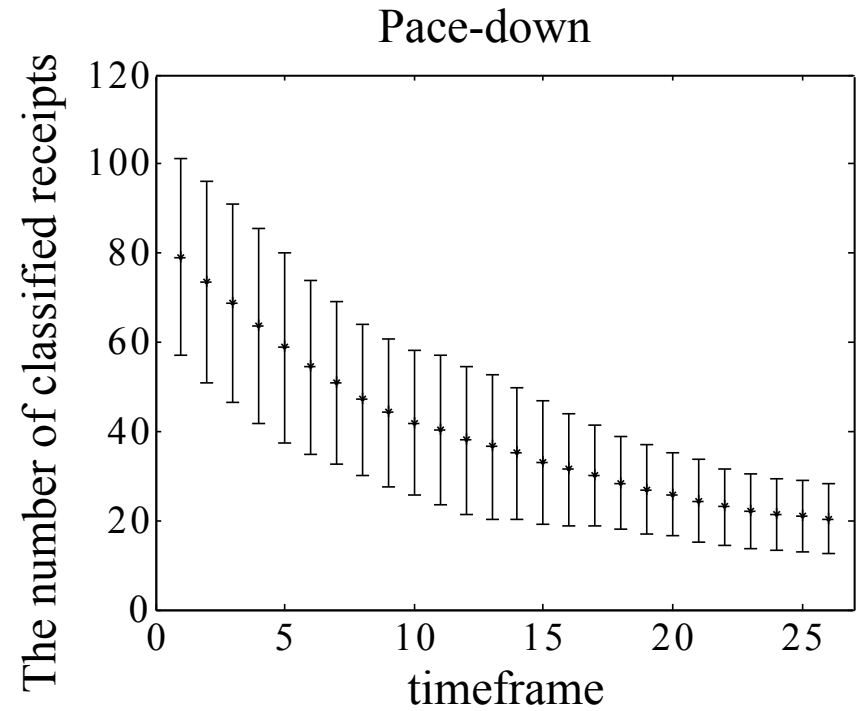
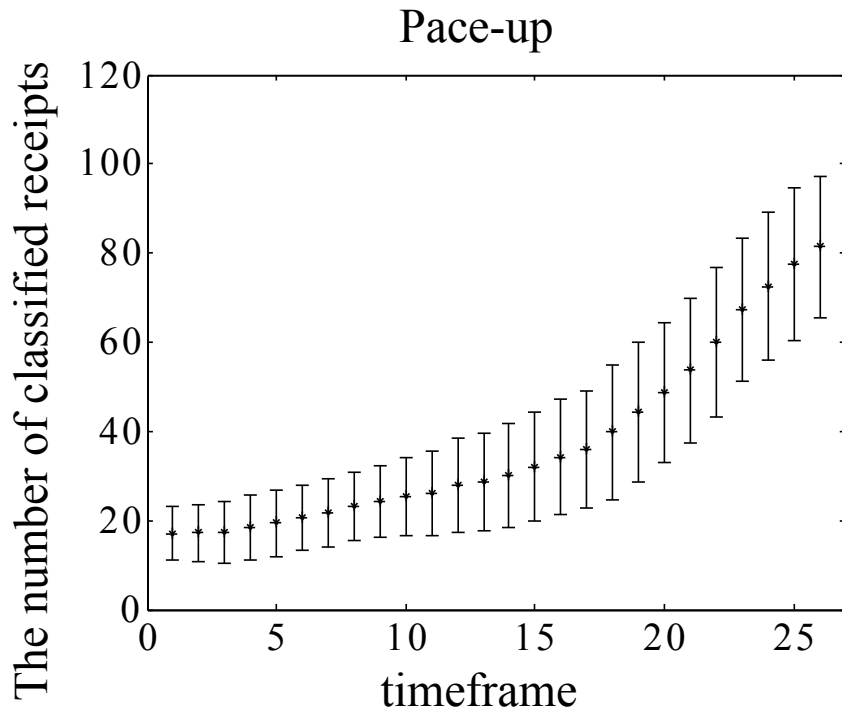
- Protocol



- 1st day...practice 2nd day...measurement (described above)
- 27 Japanese university students participated
- In the practice, the participants were instructed to perform the task at the slowest speed.
- Phase A : either Pace-up or Pace-down Phase at random  
Phase B : the other  
(to get counterbalance of ordering effect)



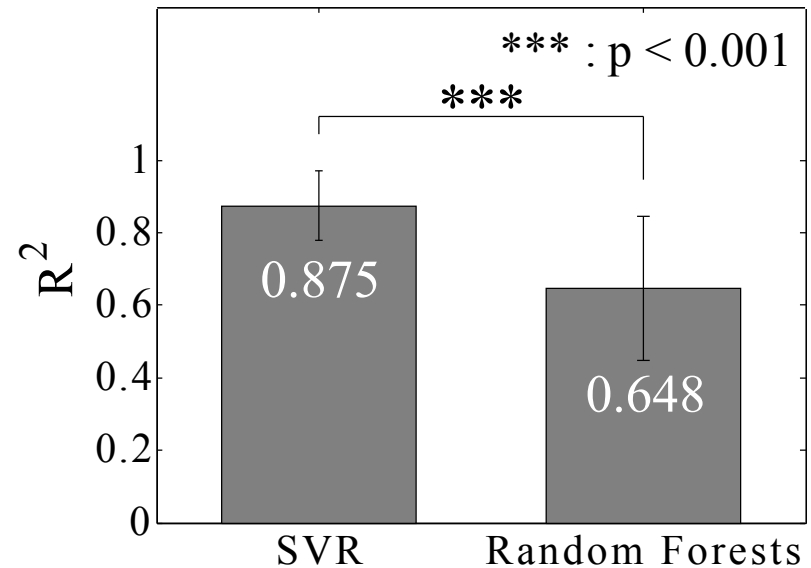
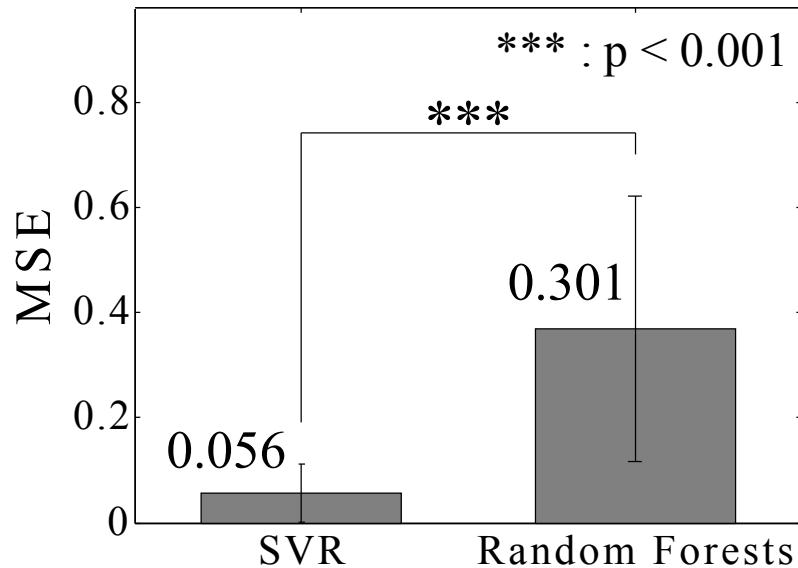
## Result : task performance



- It was confirmed that both Pace-up and Pace-down were performed properly



result: accuracy of 2 machine learning models



- The accuracy of SVR was higher significantly than that of Random Forests

## Result : coefficients of feature variables

- Pupil diameter had positive correlation with task performance
  - The result was supported by the study conducted by Pooch [1]
- Heart rate variability had negative correlation.
  - According to Mulder [2], the higher the difficulty of a cognitive task gets, the lower the power of LF gets. The result supports this.

### Average of coefficients of feature variables

Pupil diameter	LF	LF/HF	HF
<b>2.00</b>	<b>-0.98</b>	-0.71	-0.27

[1] Gary K. Pooch: Information processing vs pupil diameter. *Perceptual and Motor Skills*, 37(3), pp. 1000–1002 (1973).

[2] Gijsbertus Mulder, Lambertus J. M. Mulder: Information Processing and Cardiovascular Control. *Psychophysiology*, 18(4), pp. 392–402 (1981).

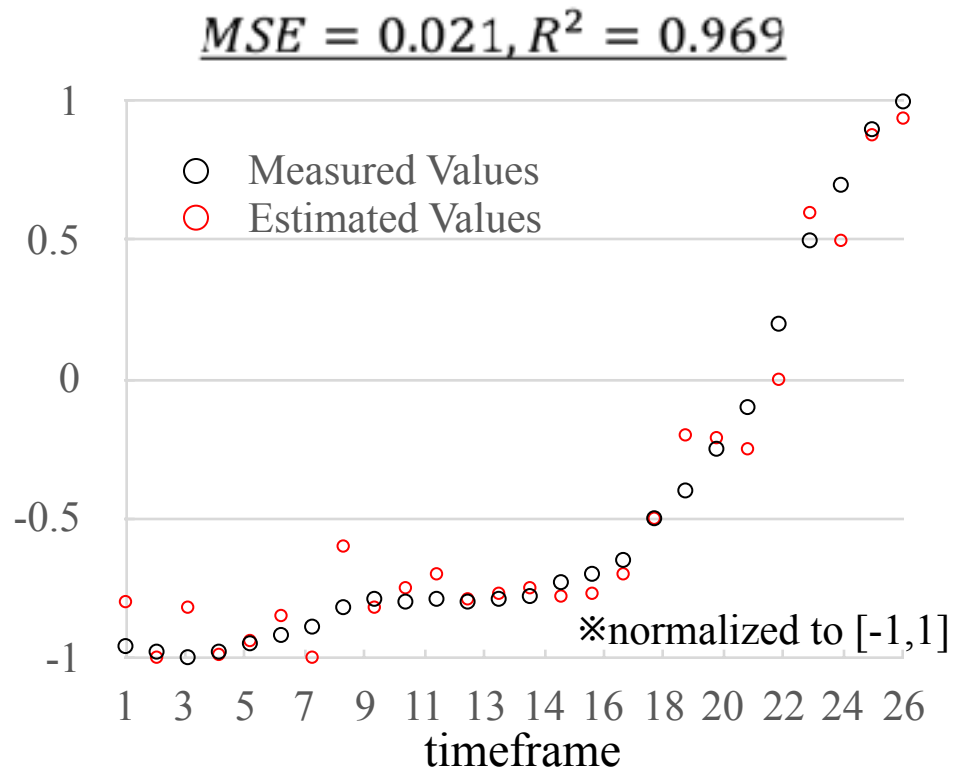
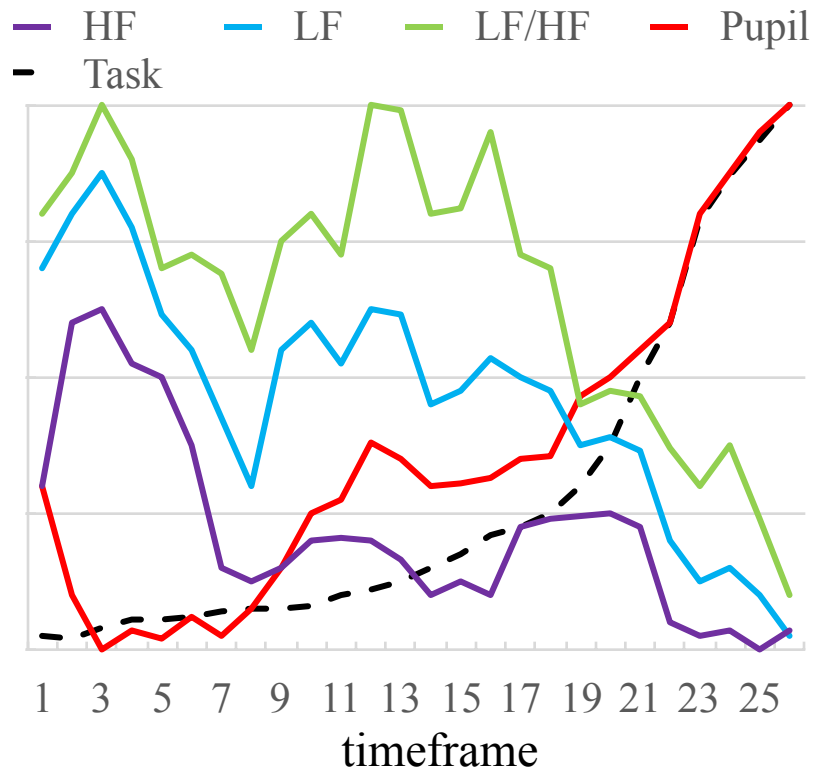
## Discussion: the effect of multivariate regression model - pupil diameter

plural feature variables can deal with individual differences

Subject No.10 :

Ex. High contribution of pupil diameter

Pupil diameter	LF	LF/HF	HF
3.66	0.51	-0.66	-0.99



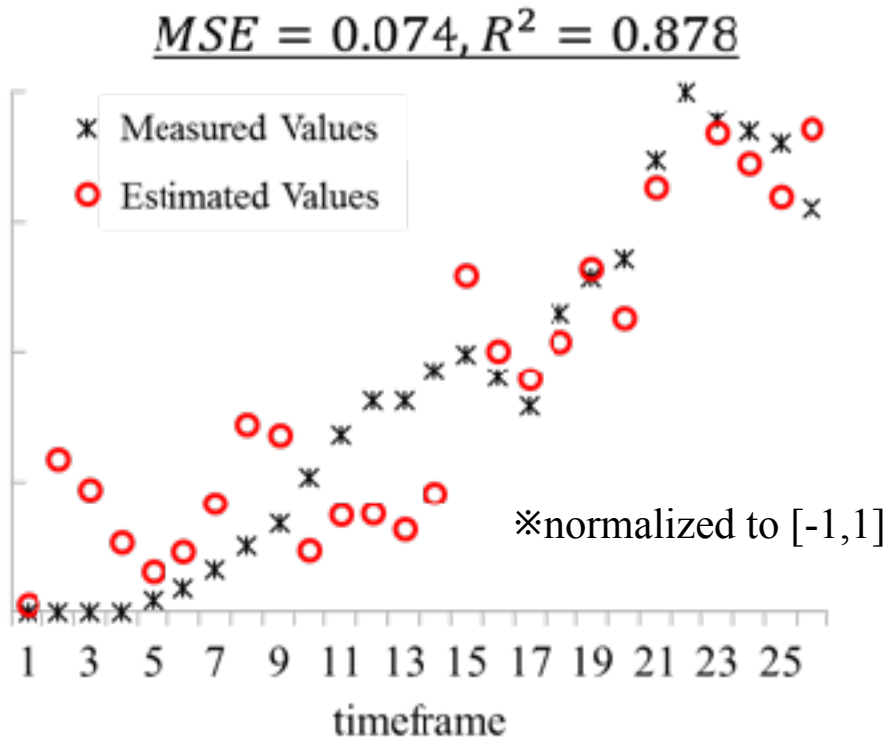
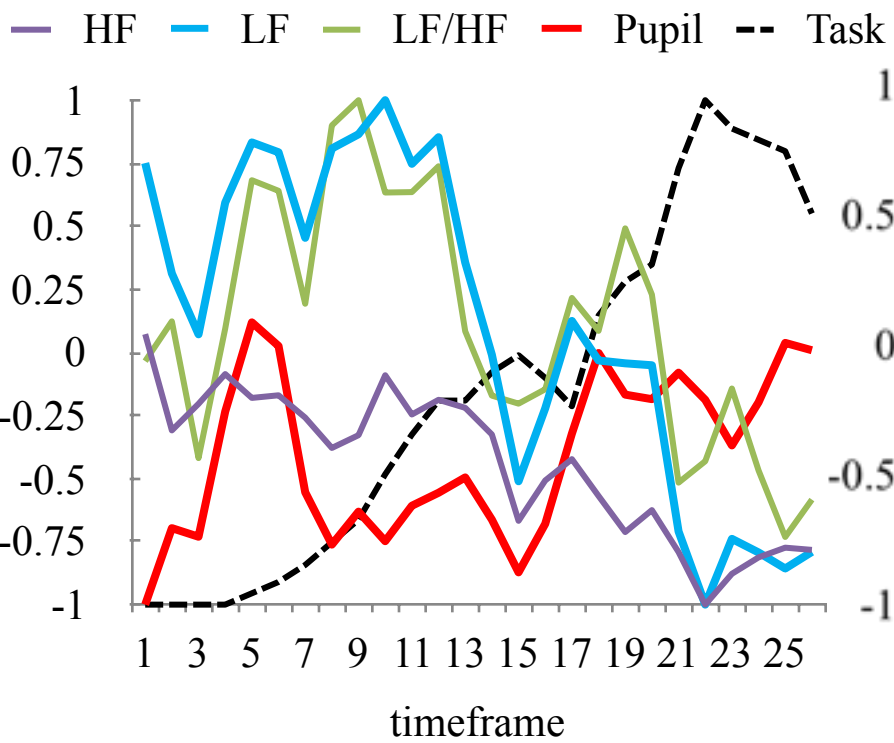
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plural feature variables can deal with individual differences

Subject No.4 :

Ex. Low contribution of pupil diameter , High contribution of heart rate variability

Pupil diameter	LF	LF/HF	HF
-0.02	-3.05	-2.06	-3.38



## Conclusion

- The accuracy of SVR was significantly higher than Random forest
- Multivariate regression model
  - Pupil diameter had high contribution to the model
  - Heart rate variability had high contribution while low contribution of pupil diameter was found in some subjects.
- Multivariate regression model can deal with individual difference.
- In order to develop the more quantitative and objective evaluation method  
Need to consider...
  - the stress effect in long term measurement.
  - the accuracy of this model by using various cognitive tasks

Thank you for your attention



## Discussion: Stress affects the accuracy of models

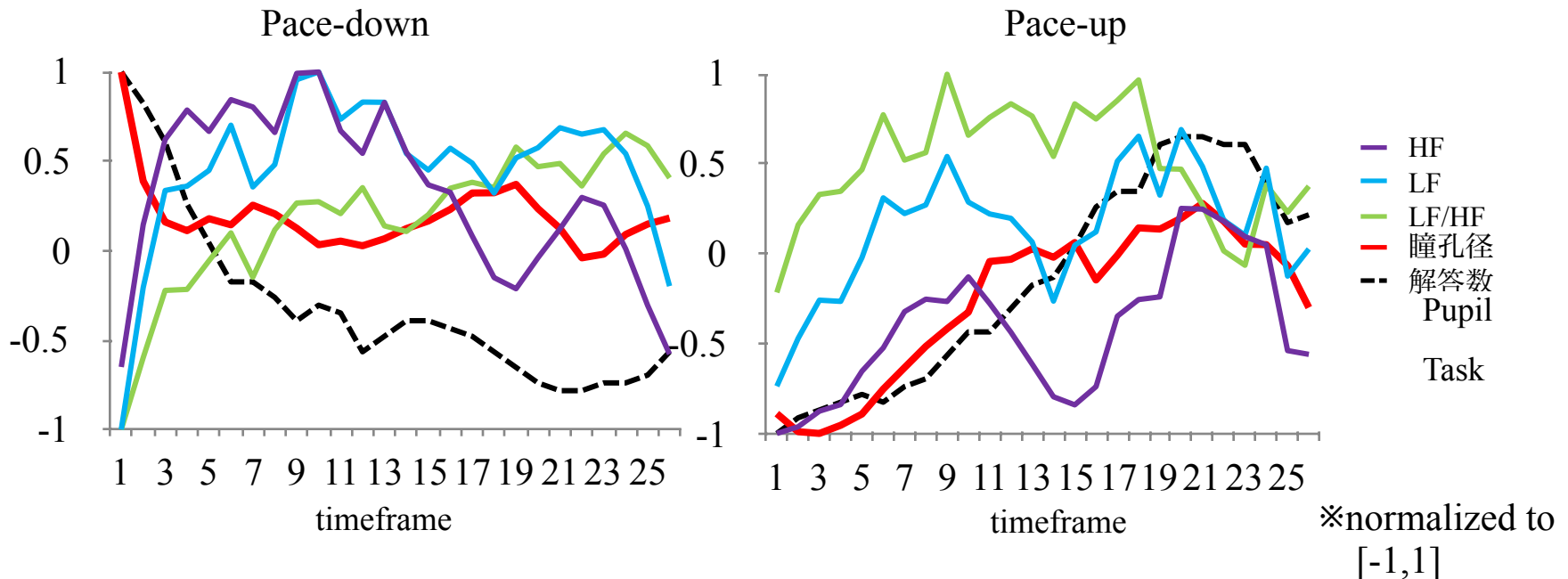
Stress changes the physiological responses, which affects the accuracy of models

Ex. The case of low estimation accuracy

- The proposed method (SVR)
- After adding dummy variable D  
D = 1 (Pace-up), -1 (Pace-down)

$$\underline{MSE = 0.167, R^2 = 0.608}$$

$$\underline{MSE = 0.053, R^2 = 0.917}$$



## SVRのパラメータ

- カーネル：ガウシアンカーネル
- パラメータ探索範囲… $10^3 = 1000$ パターン
  - $-3 \leq \log_2 C \leq 6$  (マージンから逸脱した場合のペナルティの大きさ)
  - $-6 \leq \log_2 \sigma \leq 3$  (ガウシアンカーネルの形状)
  - $-10 \leq \log_2 \varepsilon \leq -1$  (許容範囲の広さ)
- 探索範囲の影響
  - 探索範囲を2倍、探索幅を1/2 ( $40^3 = 64000$ パターン) にして推定精度の低かった3名の被験者で再度推定精度をEvaluation

	拡大前	拡大後
MSE	0.188	0.186
R <sup>2</sup>	0.652	0.660