

PCA-Based Fault Detection in High-Volume Production Using Machine Data

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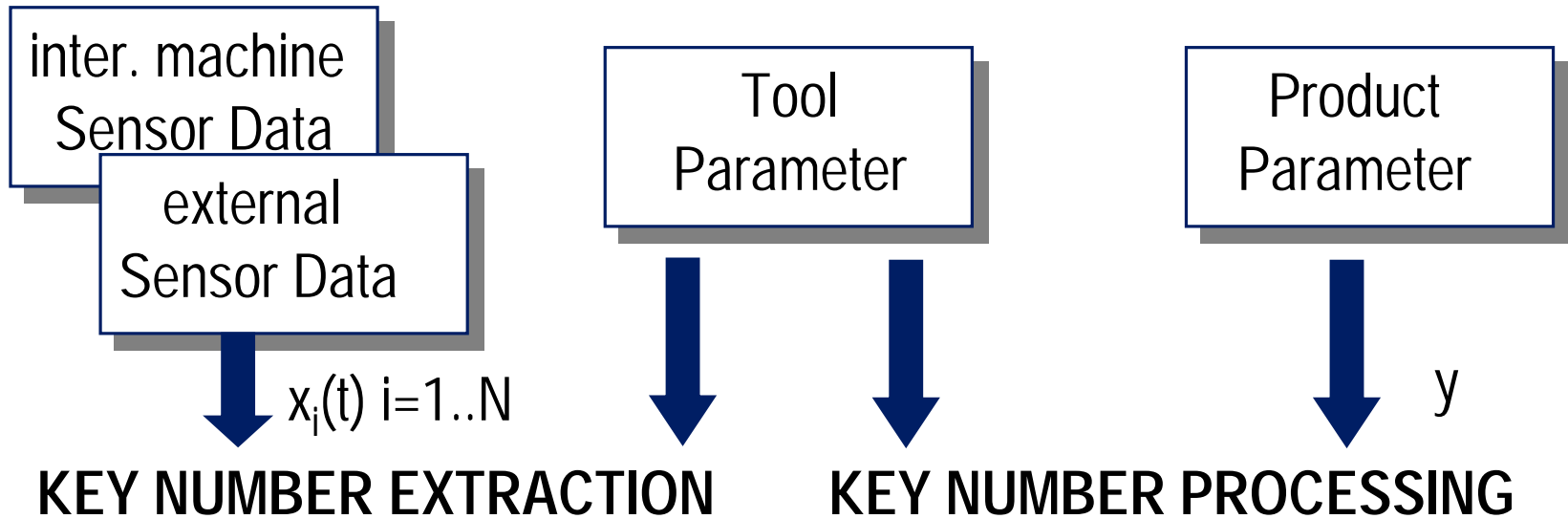
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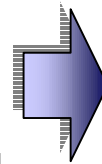


- Basic philosophy of Data Processing Techniques
- Comparison of univariate Extraction Methods
- Software Structure for PCA Module
- Experiments: TCP ALU - DSQ process
- Summary and outlook

Basic Philosophy of Data Processing Techniques



- multivariate extraction (concerning N measured channel's)
- univariate methods (concerning time signal $x_i(t)$ of one channel)

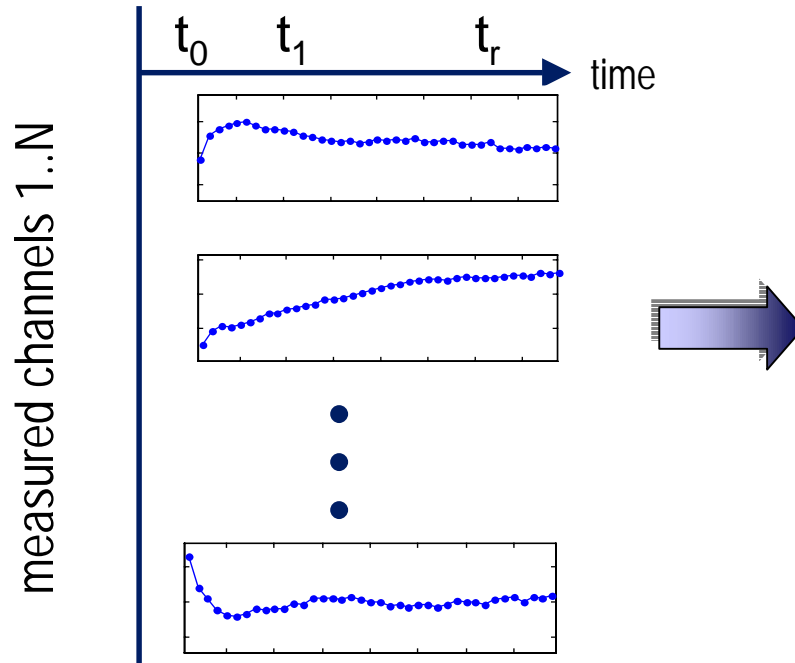


- statistical methods
 - univariate (3σ limits)
 - multivariate (Clustering, T^2, Q)
- modelling and classification

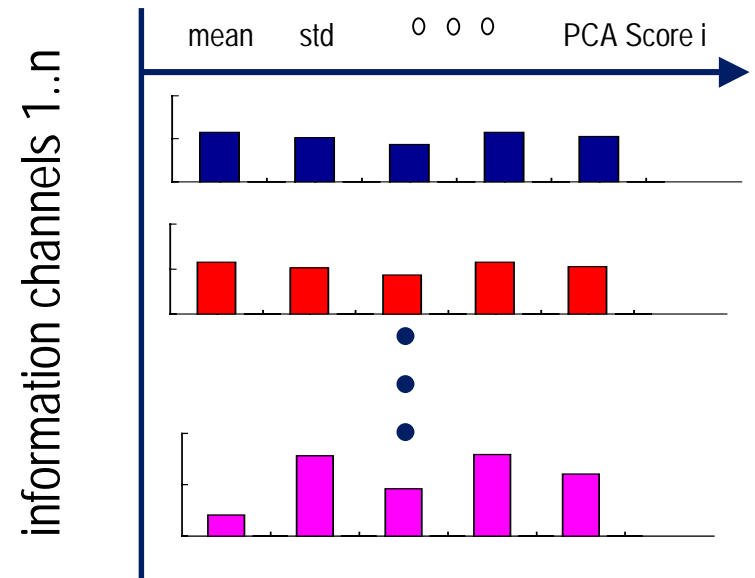
Objective of Key-Number Extraction



original measured sensor data
from one wafer, lot or batch

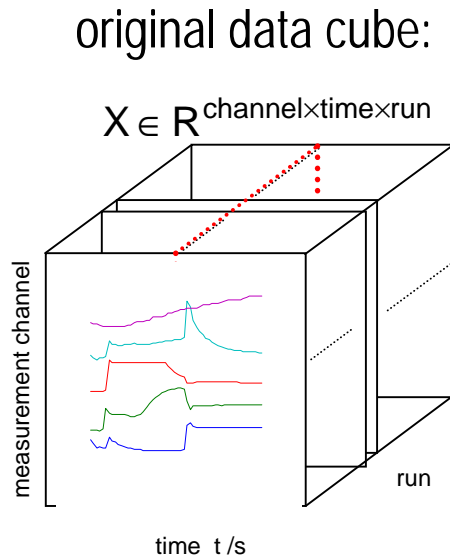


extracted key-numbers per
wafer, lot or batch



- extraction of significant information from the original data
- n extracted key-numbers ($n < N$) should represent the original data with a small lack of fit → important for FDC and modelling

Methods for univariate Key-Number extraction for measured time signals $x(t)$



1. Simple Key-Numbers

- mean values
- standard deviation
- duration of steps etc.

2. Extraction using signal decomposition

- fixed signal base \rightarrow Tschebyscheff
- adjusted signal base \rightarrow PCA

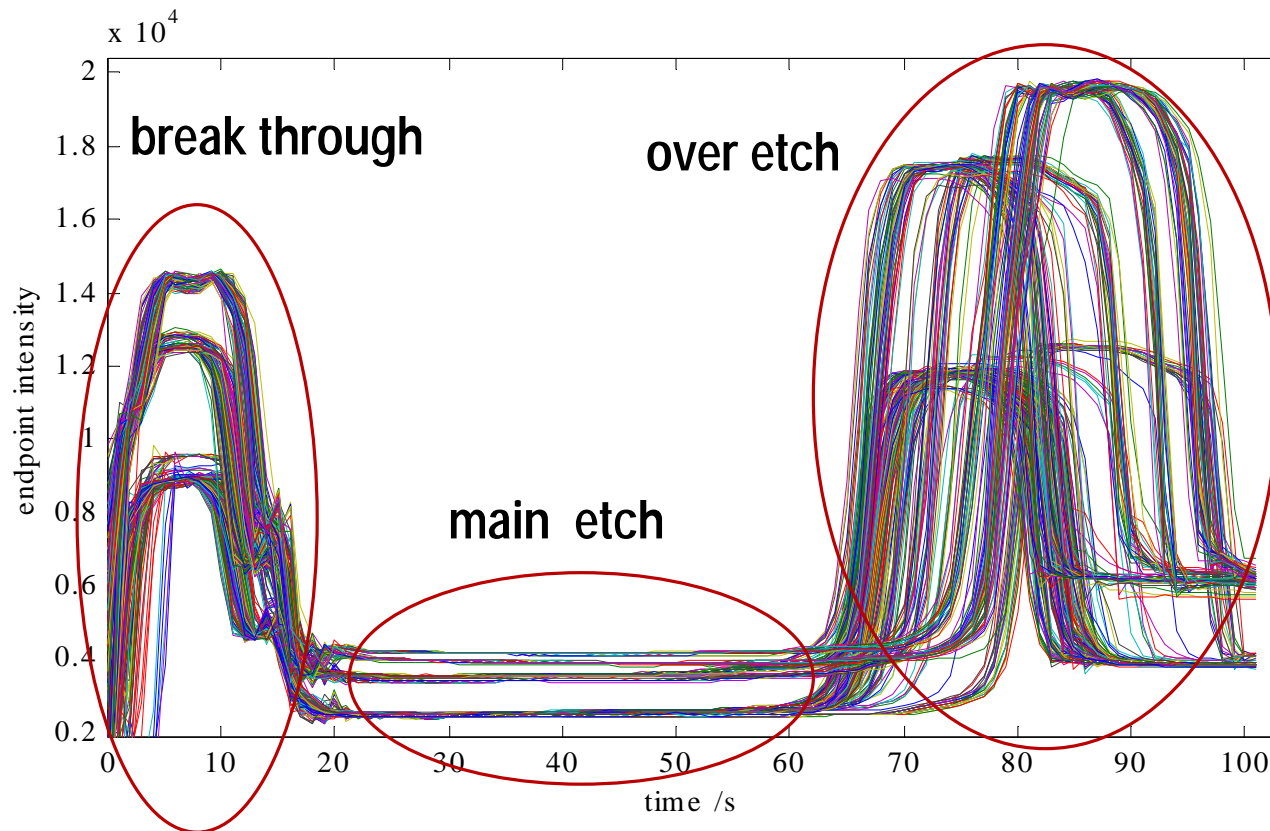
3. Adaptation of a nonlinear parametric signal model



Compromise between efficiency and effort

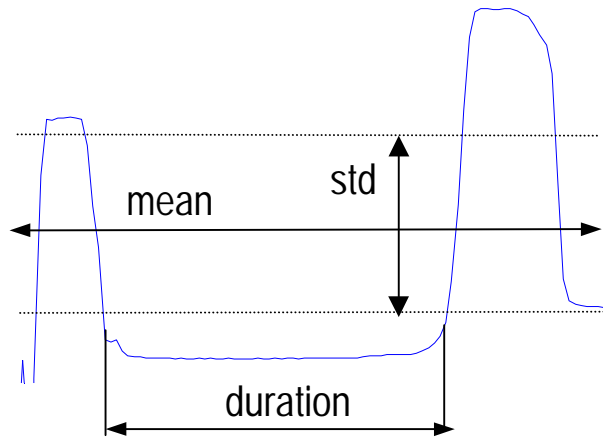
Comparison of univariate methods

- raw optical endpoint data from 335 TCP-ALU metal etches

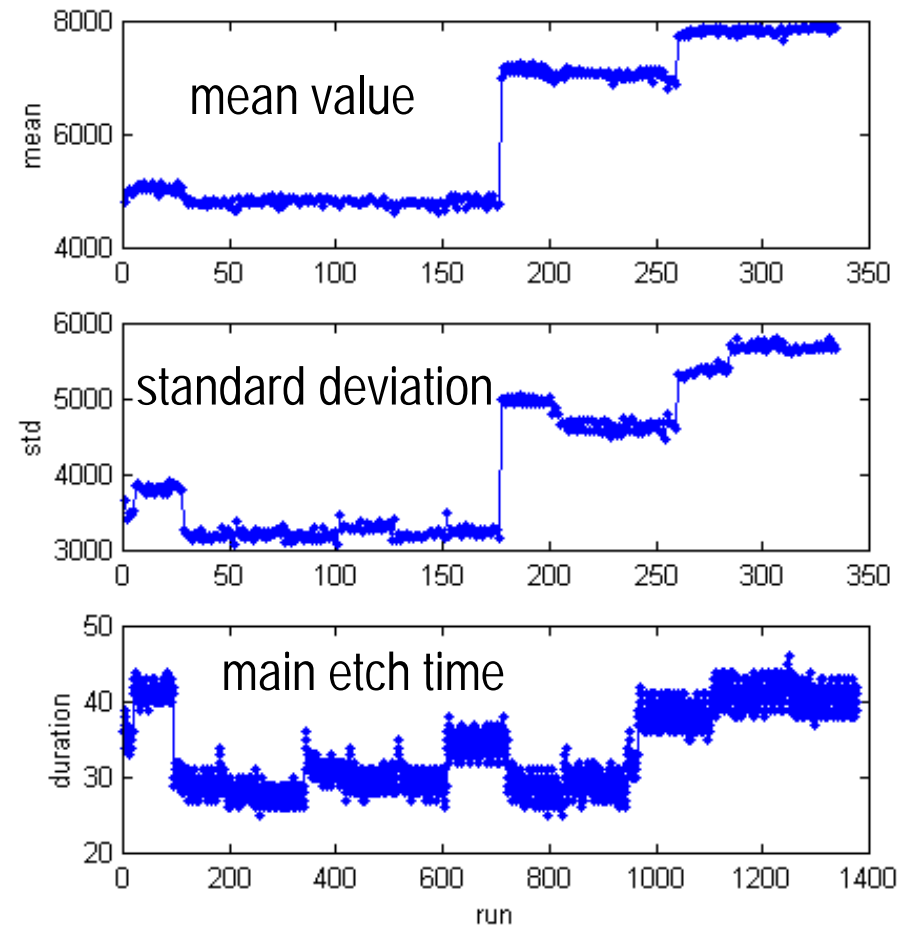


Comparison of univariate methods

→ Simple Key Numbers



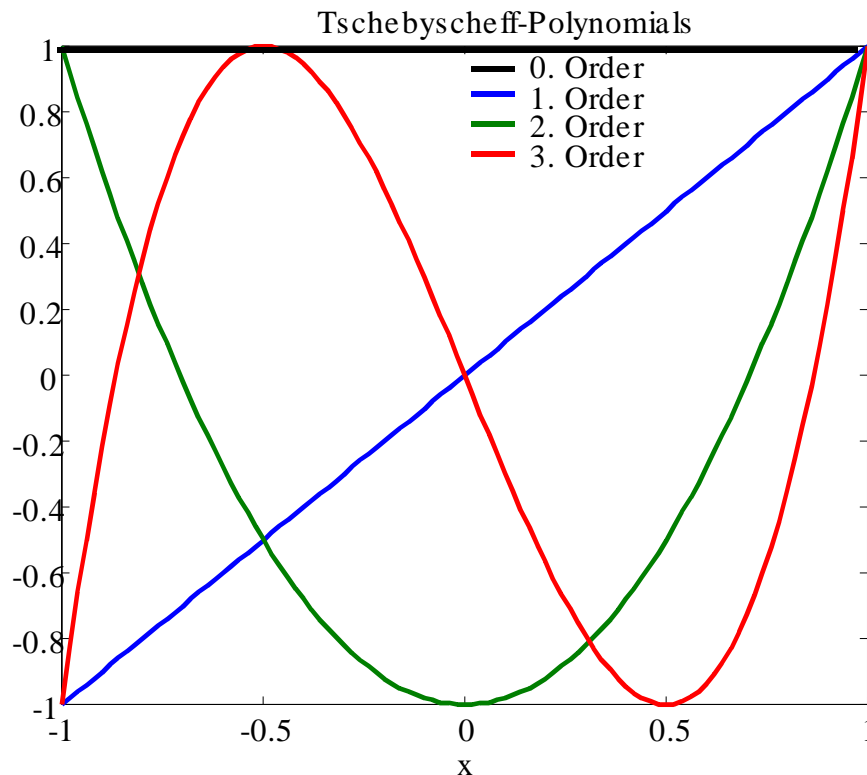
- simple interpretation of key numbers
- no assessment of the actual signal shape



Comparison of univariate methods

→ Signal Decomposition - Fixed Base

Tschebyscheff -Polynomials: $U_n = \cos(n \cdot \arccos(x))$ $-1 \leq x \leq 1$
 $n = 1 \dots N$



- complete non-orthogonal, polynomial signal base
- simple key-number calculation $p_n = U_n^T \cdot X$
- approximation of original signal $X = p_n \cdot U_n$
 - key-numbers depend on the number N of polynomials used and must be calculated using Least Square (Fit)

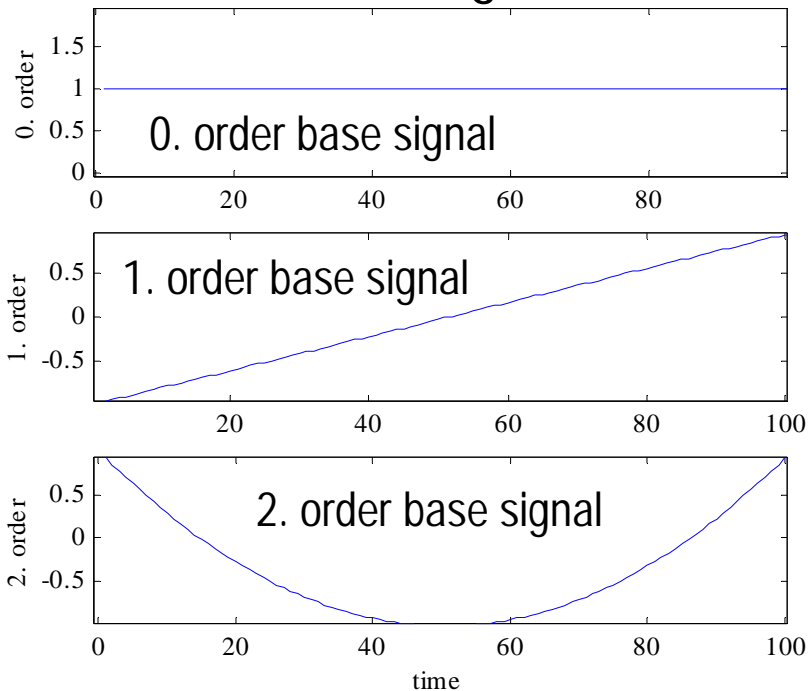
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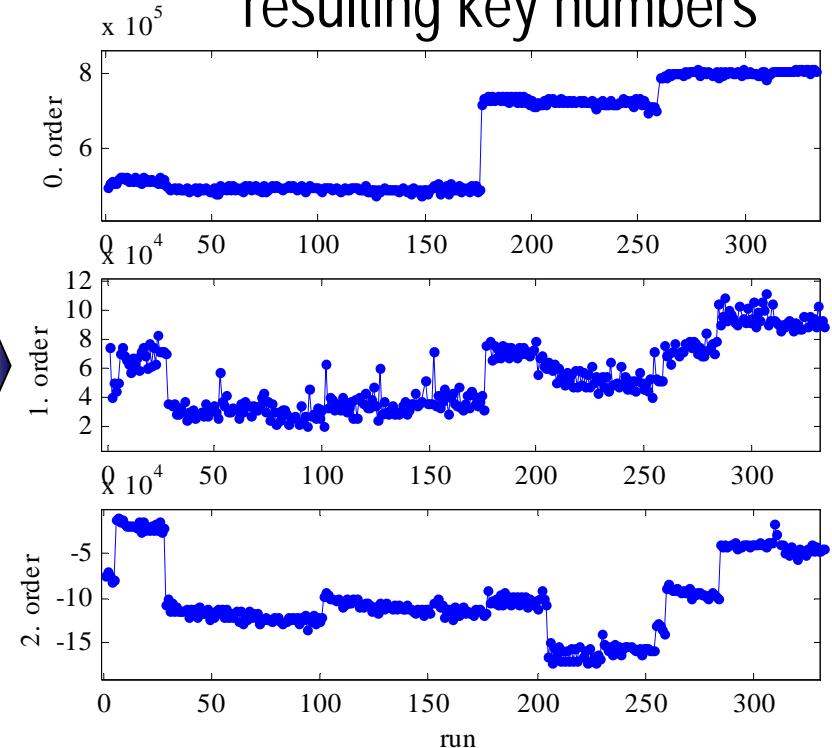


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base signal



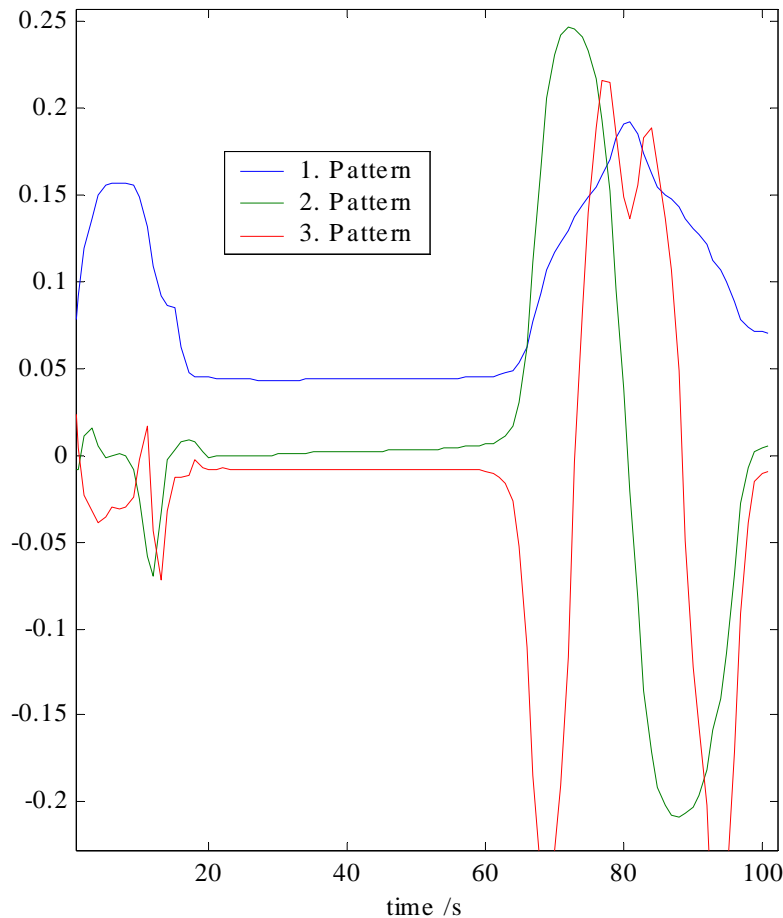
resulting key numbers



- actual signal shapes are taken into account in an unspecific way
- poor approximation quality

Comparison of univariate methods

→ Signal Decomposition - Adjusted Base



- Principal Component Analysis creates an adjusted signal base
- eigenvector decomposition of the original data matrix into orthogonal base signals u_n and orthogonal key-numbers p_n :

$$X = P \cdot U^T = p_n \cdot u_n^T$$
- key-numbers represent the weight of the corresponding base signal in the original data sample

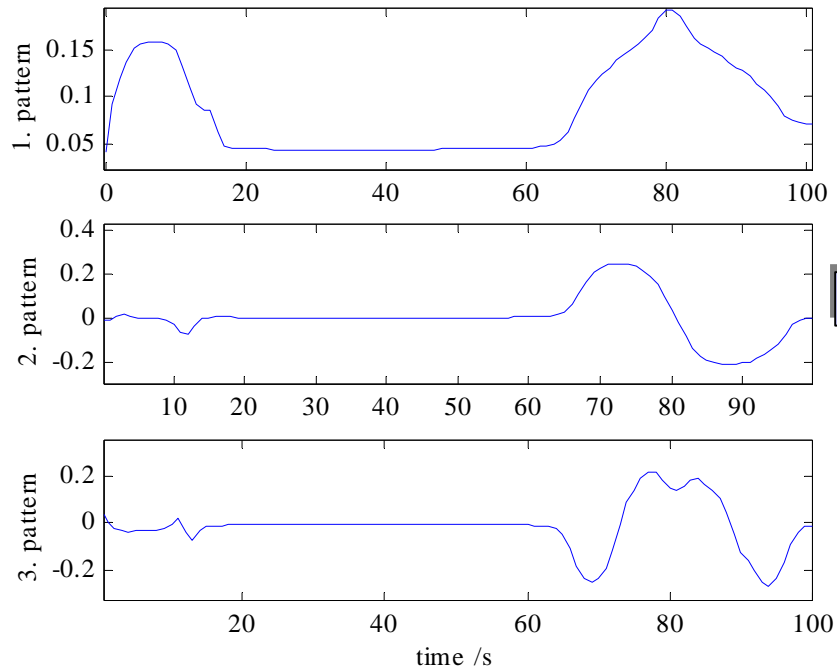
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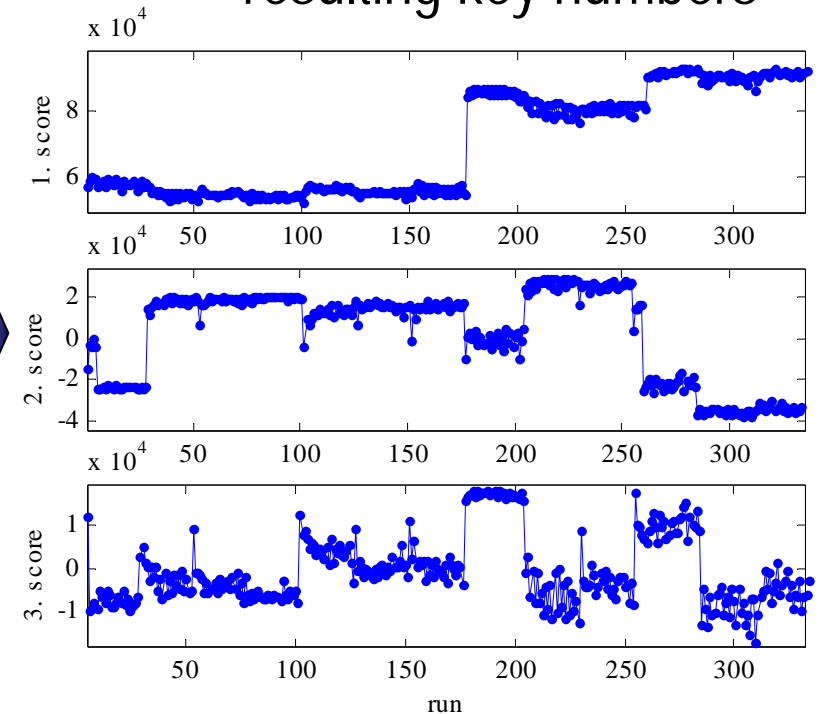


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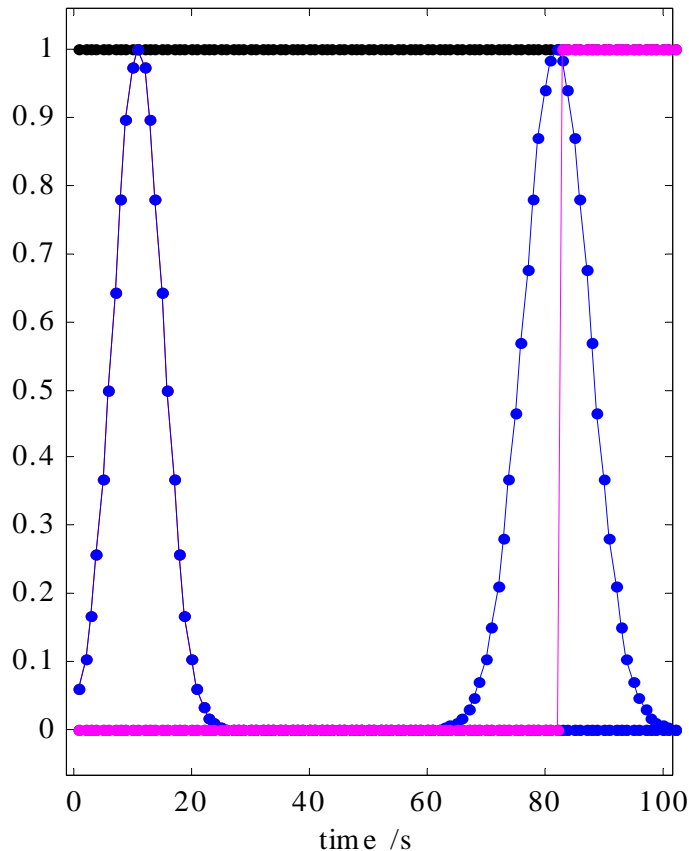


- actual signal shapes are considered in a specific way
- best approximation quality (Frobenius Norm)

Comparison of univariate methods

→ Nonlinear signal model

$$y = p_1 + p_2 \cdot e^{-\left(\frac{x-p_5}{p_7}\right)^2} + p_3 \cdot e^{-\left(\frac{x-p_6}{p_8}\right)^2} + p_4 \cdot \text{step}(x - p_6)$$

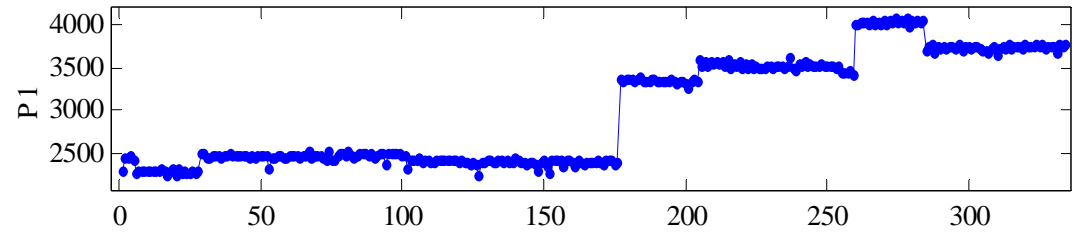


- calculation of the key numbers by adaptation of a nonlinear signal model with linear model parameters $p_1 \dots p_4$ and nonlinear model parameters $p_5 \dots p_8$
- minimize the lack of fit using an optimization algorithm for nonlinear parameters and Least Squares algorithm for linear parameters

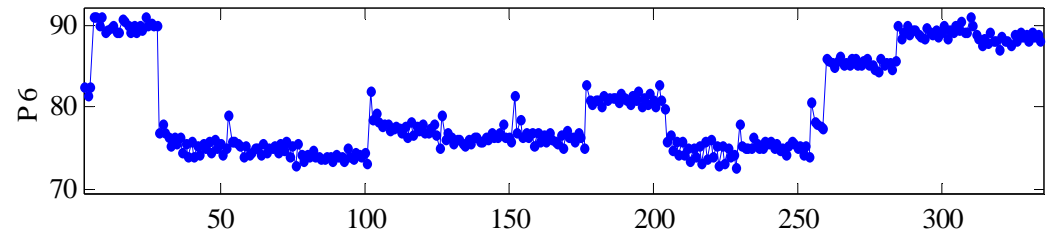
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→ Nonlinear signal model

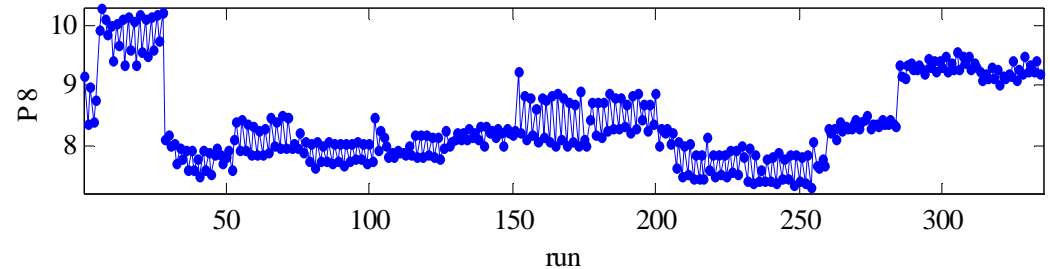
parameter p_1
→ total power



parameter p_6
→ endpoint time



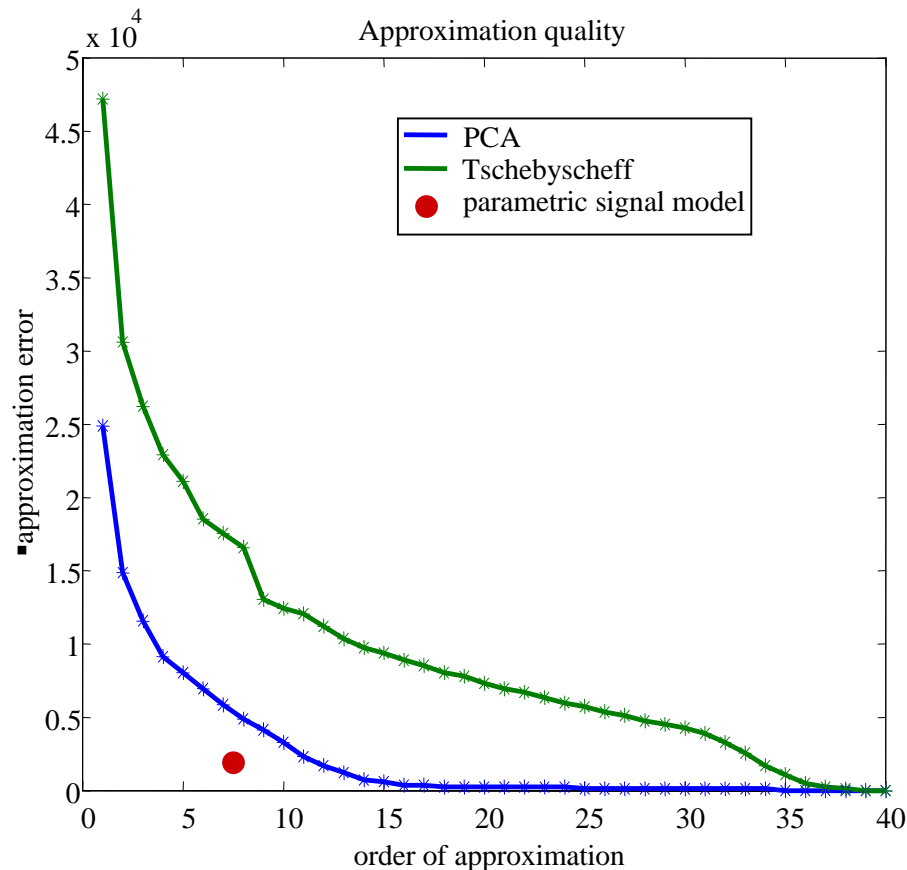
parameter p_8
→ endpoint width



- excellent interpretation of calculated key-numbers
- requires the pre-definition of an analytical signal model

Comparison of univariate methods → Approximation Power

Lack of fit vs. number of key-numbers



- the overall objective is to minimize the lack of fit with as few as possible key-numbers
- PCA provides a better approximation than Tschebyscheff
- parametric signal model provides the best approximation quality

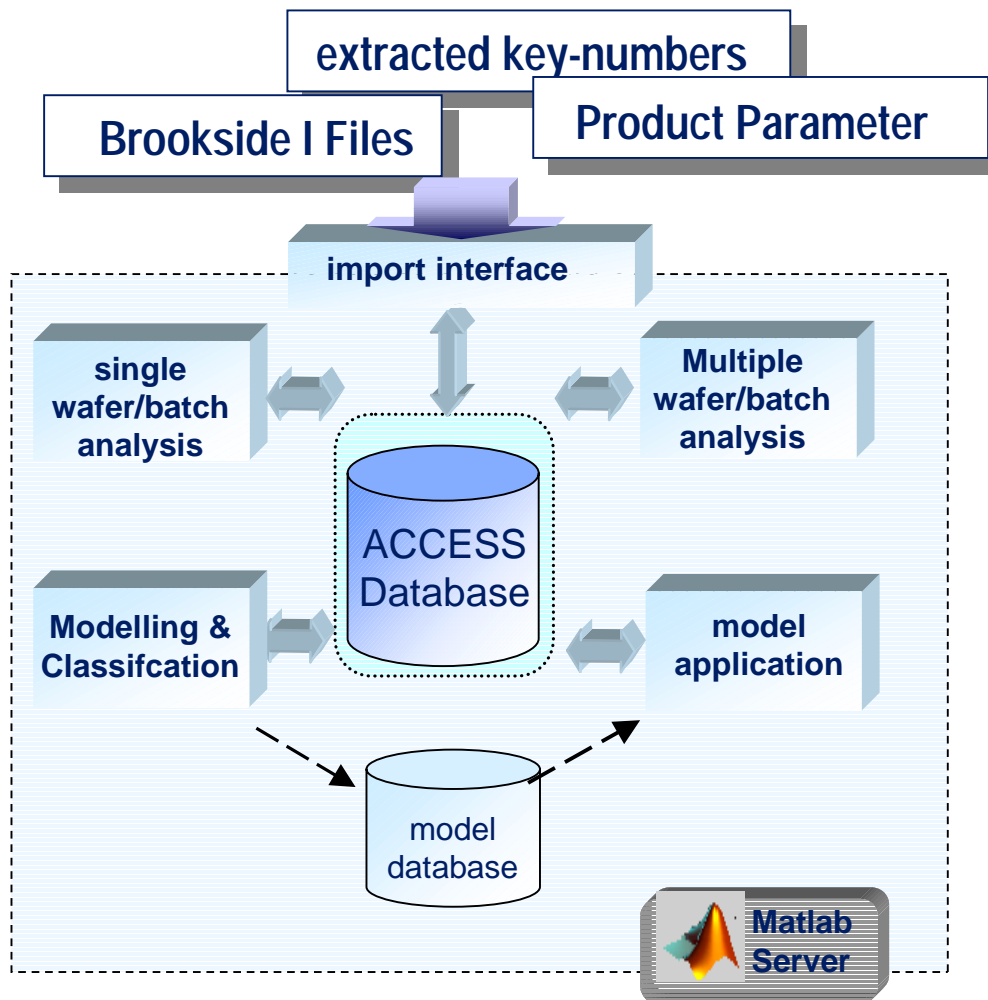
Comparison of univariate methods

→ Summary



Simple Key Numbers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ very simple interpretation▪ bad approximation quality▪ no assessment of actual signal shape
Tschebyscheff Basis	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ interpretation nearly impossible▪ low approximation quality▪ actual signal shapes are taken into account (unspecific)
PCA-Basis	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ possible interpretation in conjunction with base signals▪ good approximation quality▪ reference data are necessary for calculation of a specific signal base
Nonlinear, parametric signal model	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ key numbers represent real model parameter▪ very good approximation quality▪ pre-definition of an analytical signal model is necessary▪ tricky calculation of the key numbers

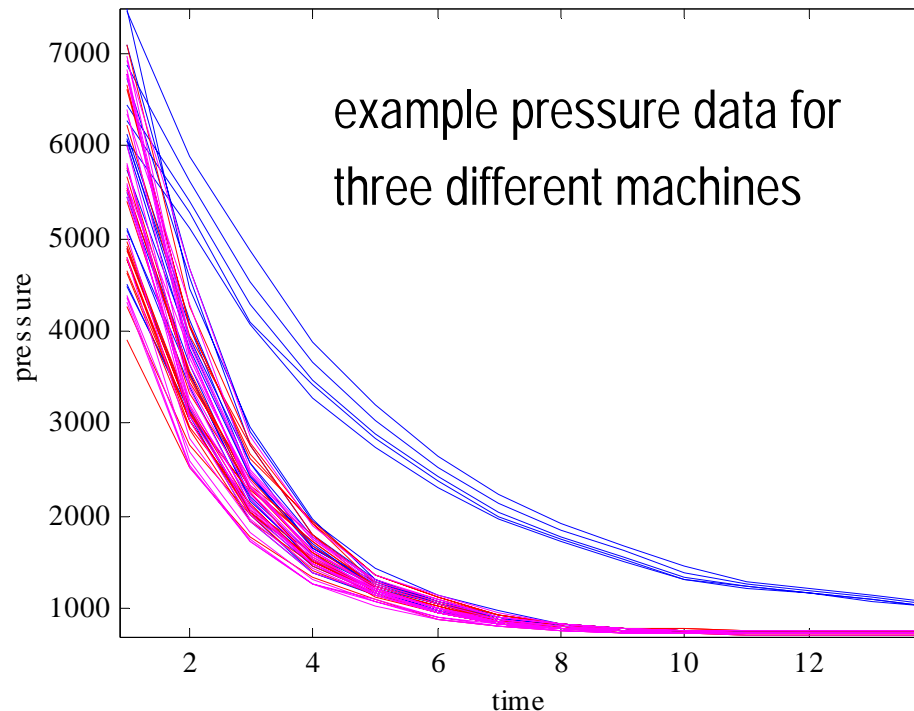
Software Prototype for PCA Data Analysis



- Database oriented storage of machine sensor data and SQL- based data access for:
 - Data visualization
 - PCA based key number extraction
 - Modelling of Product Parameter

1. Example: DSQ - Pressure Analysis

- analysis of the raw pressure data from TCP-ALU DSQ-Process with PCA - method



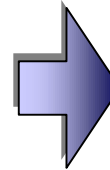
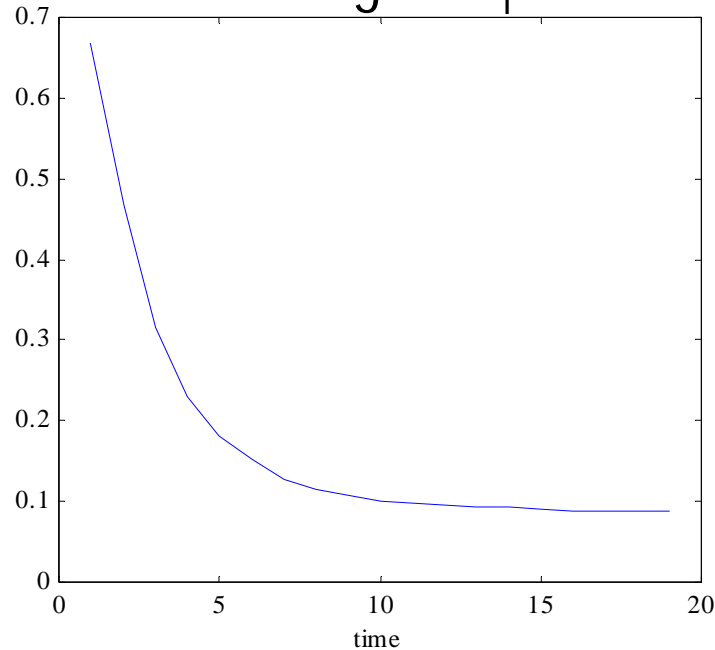
- comparison of the pressure signal of three machines during chamber stabilization
- sudden appearance of a longer transient behavior of the pressure signal

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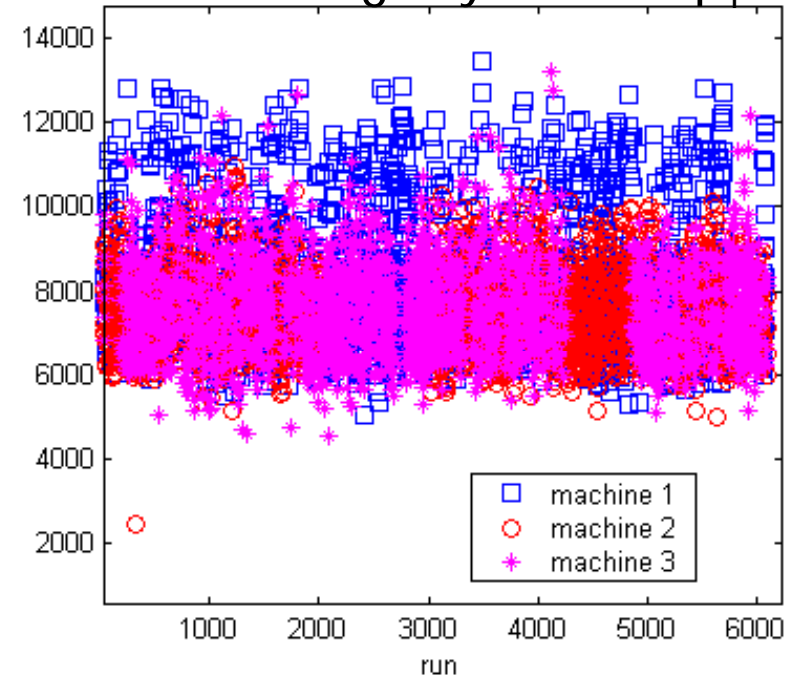


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base signal u_1



resulting key number p_1



- the application of the base signal u_1 results in key numbers with similar information to the mean value
- the key numbers of machine1 have a larger standard deviation

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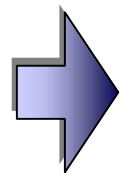
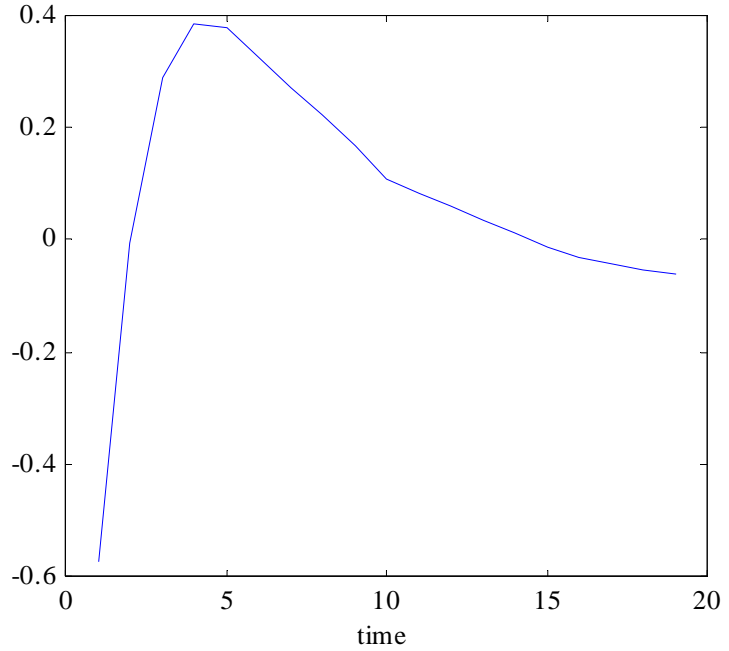
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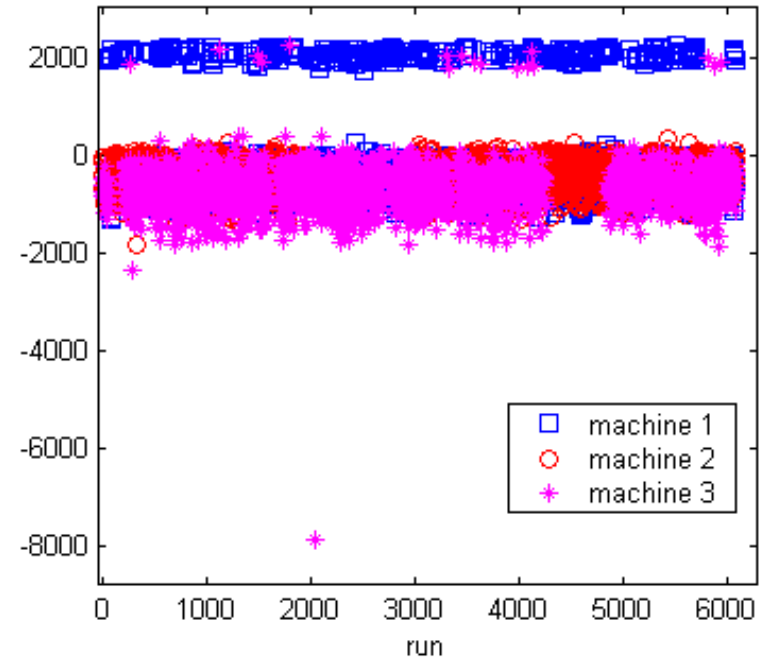
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base signal u_2



resulting key number p_2

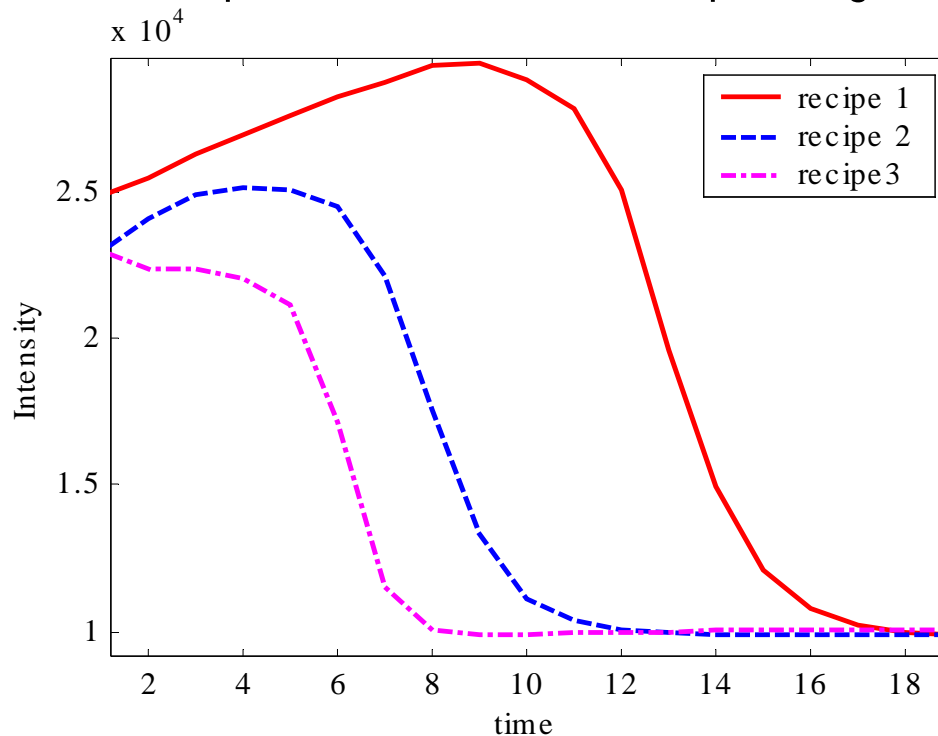


- the differences between the machines become obvious by application of the base signal u_2
- the effect can be detected clearly using fixed limits

2. Example: DSQ - Endpoint Variations → Comparison of three recipes

- analysis of the endpoint data from TCP-ALU DSQ-Process with PCA - method

example of three different endpoint signals



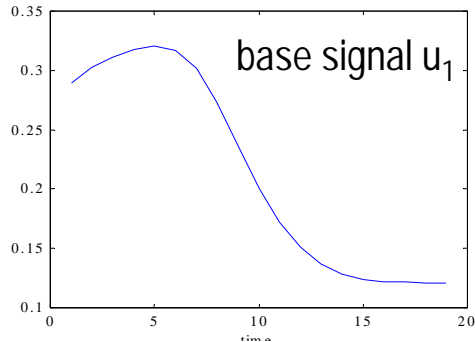
- comparison of endpoint variations between different recipes from one machine
- reconstruction of the original endpoint signal using key numbers

2. Example: DSQ - Endpoint Variations

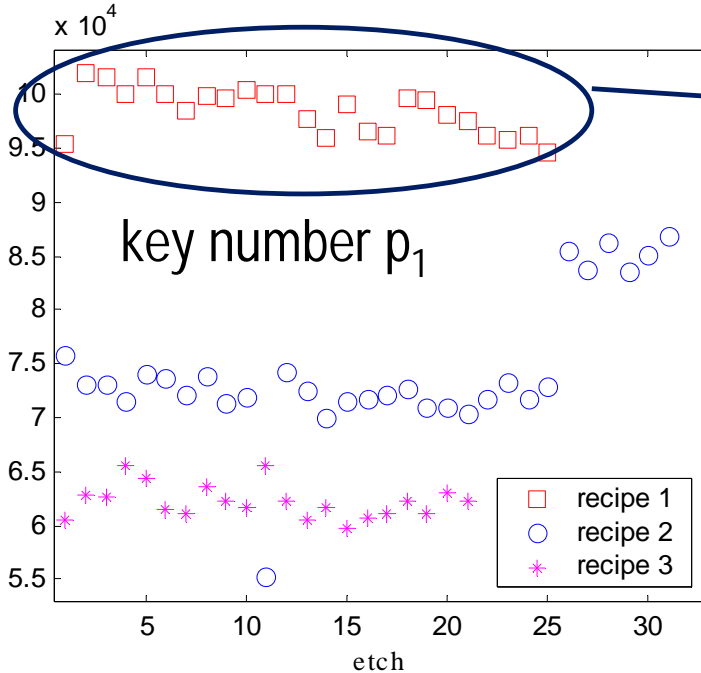
→ Comparison of three recipes



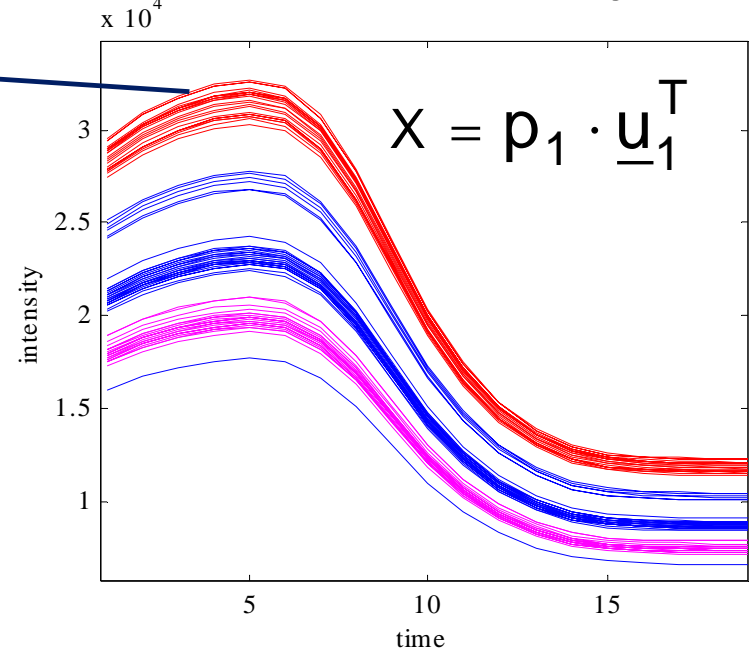
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- different total endpoint intensities are represented by the first key-number
- large variations within machine 2



recalculated endpoint signal



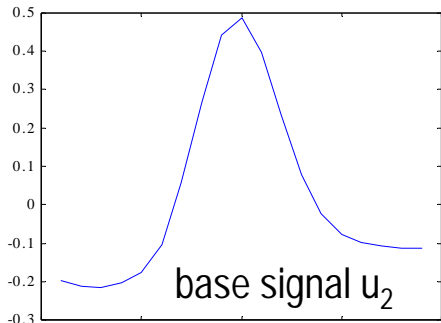
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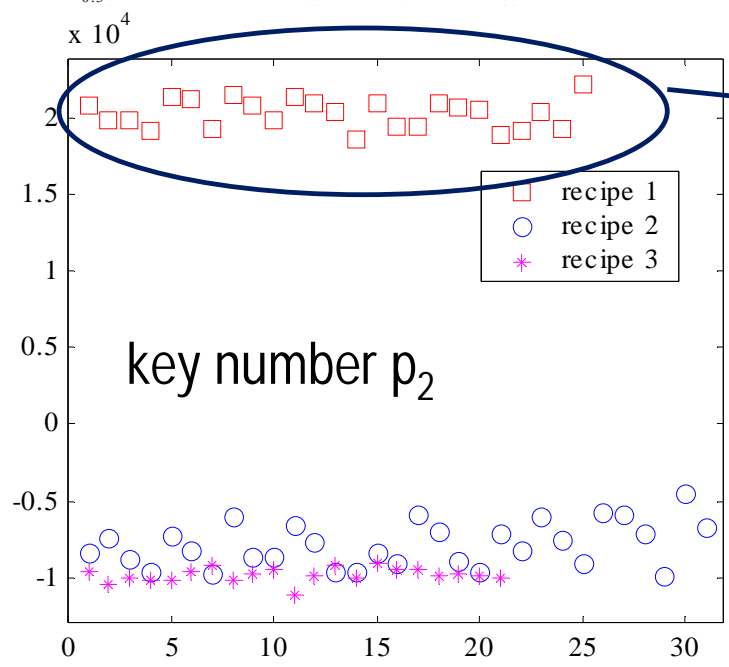
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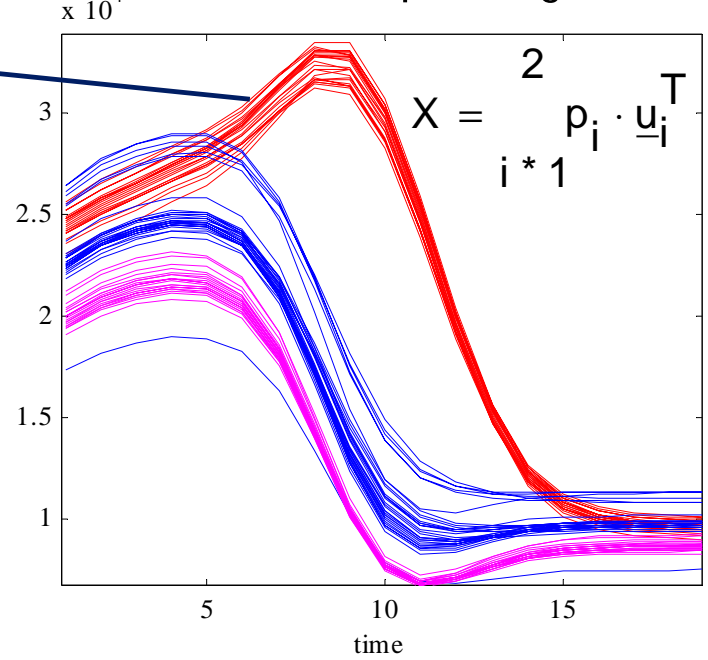
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- representation of shift-variations in the endpoint signal with key number p_2



recalculated endpoint signal

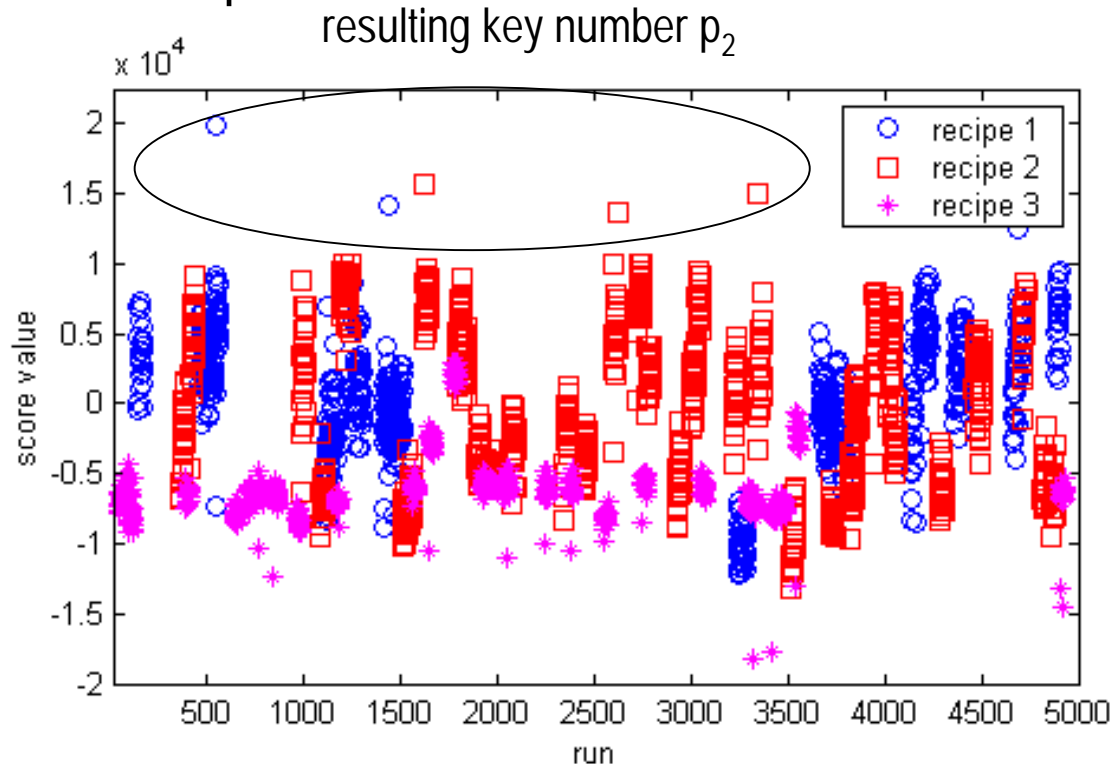


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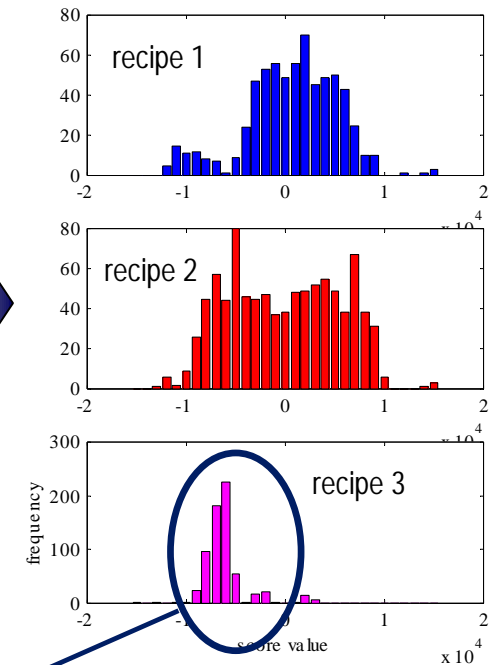
2. Example: DSQ - Endpoint Variations

→ Comparison of three recipes

- application of u_2 of the endpoint data from one machine over a 2 month period



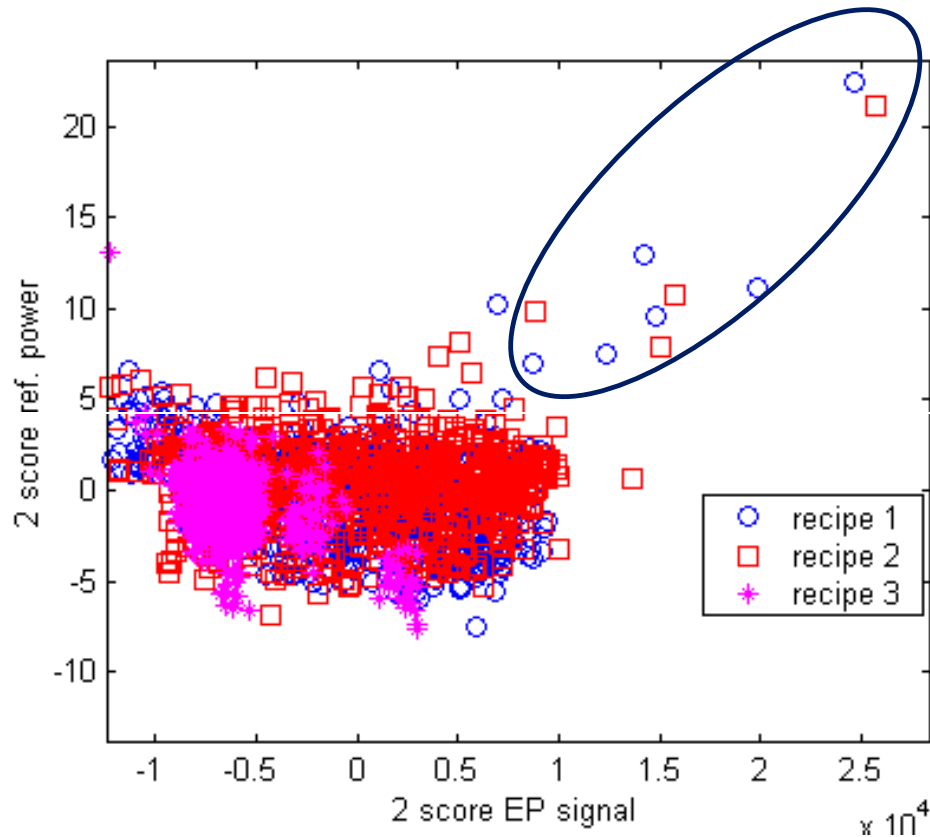
distribution of the key number



- the endpoint variations within recipe 3 are smaller than recipe 1 & 2
- large variations in endpoint signals have been detected

2. Example: DSQ - Endpoint Variations → Comparison for three recipes

- additional independent PCA calculation for reflected power signals

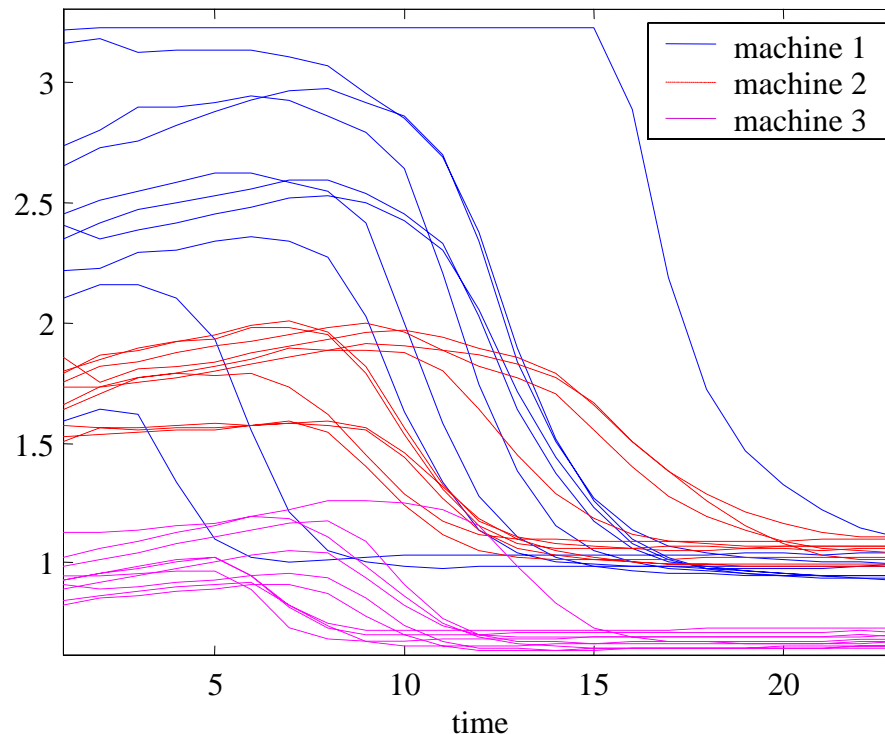


- the appearing outliers in the endpoint key-numbers correlate with deviations from a normal behavior in the reflected power signal

2. Example: DSQ - Endpoint Variations → Comparison for three machines

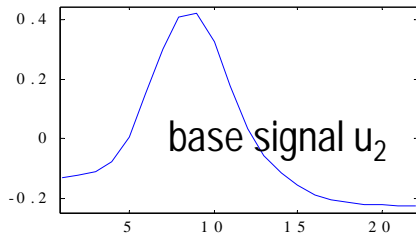
- analysis of the endpoint data from TCP-ALU DSQ-Process from three different machines with PCA - method

example of representative endpoint signals

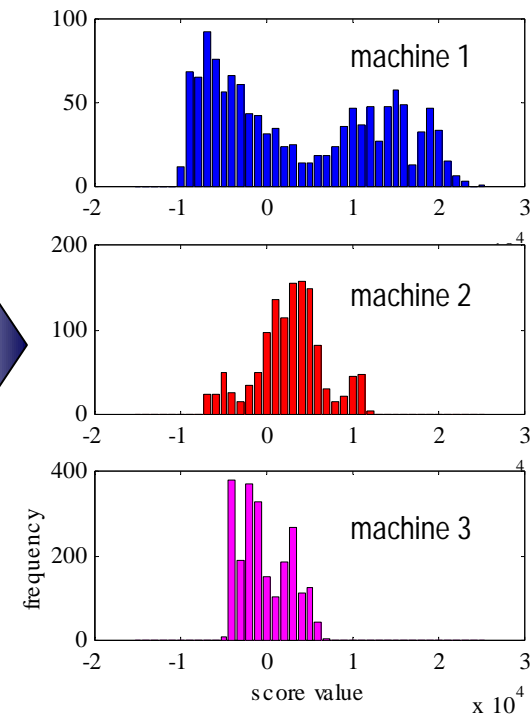
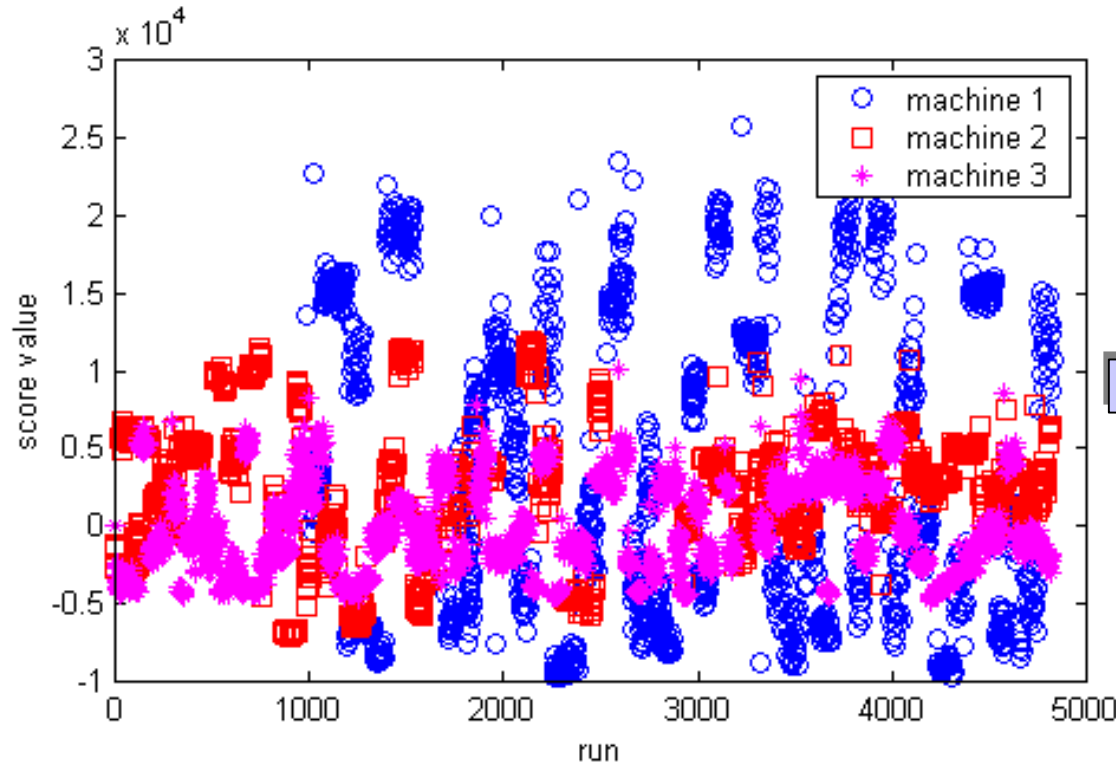


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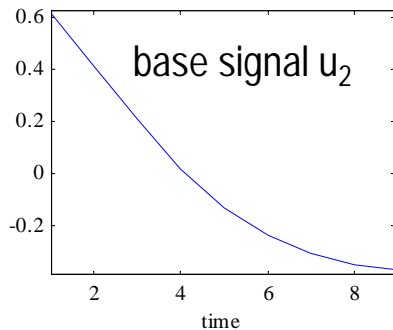


- the resulting key number, generated by application of base signal u_2 to all data, show that the endpoint from machine 1 has a larger standard deviation than the other

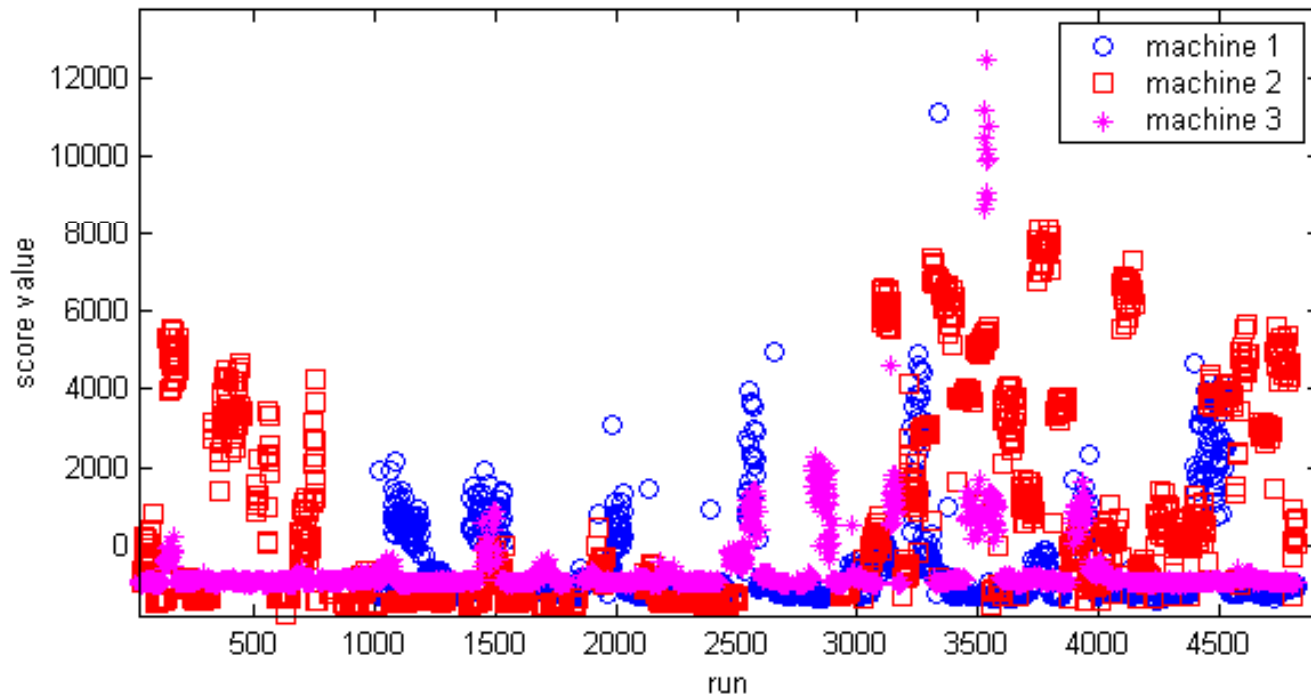


2. Example: DSQ - Endpoint Variations

→ Comparison for three machines



- PCA analysis of final time range of the DSQ process
- detection of remaining transient signal behaviour by application of u_2
- detection of incomplete resist removal



Summary and outlook



- an efficient key number extraction is the prerequisite for a reliable, fault detection, classification and modelling
- Simple Key Numbers are suited to detect major failures and outliers
- parametric signal models are the most powerful method to get interpretable key numbers, but requires a pre-defined analytical signal model
- PCA is an efficient method to assess variations of the signal shape
- the application of the PCA was shown on Brookside traces of DSQ stripper after metal etch
- the capability of multivariate extension of the PCA (MPCA) is the focus of current investigations