

# Efficient Search of the Best Warping Window for Dynamic Time Warping



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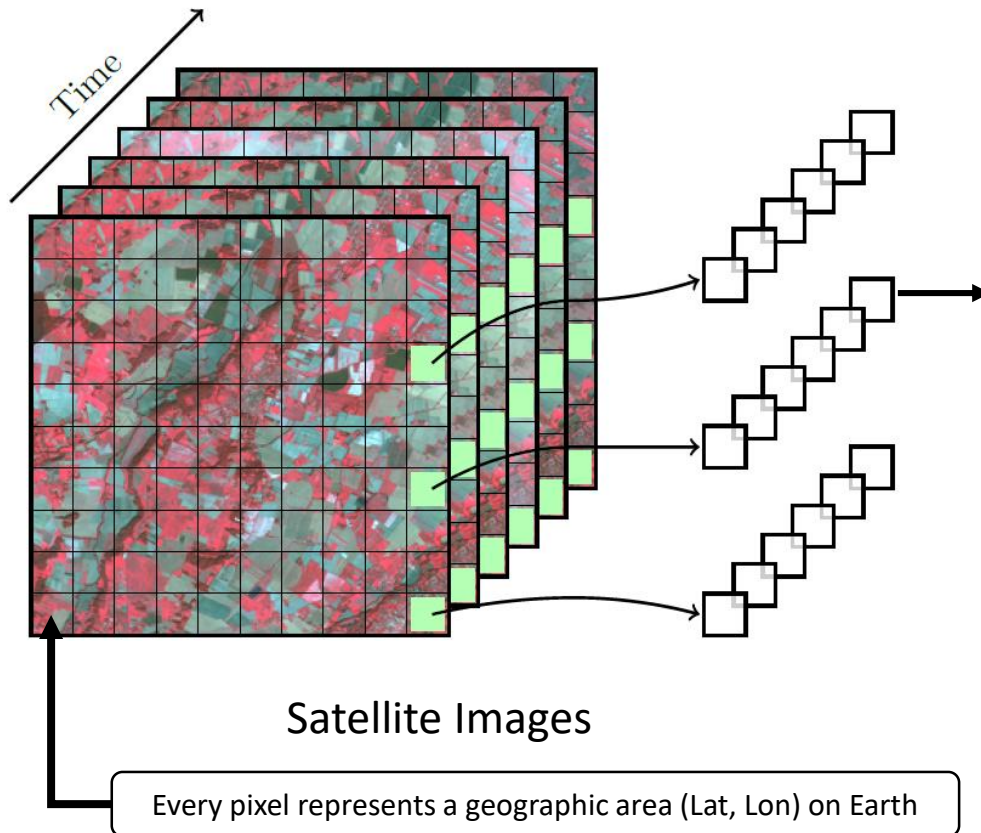
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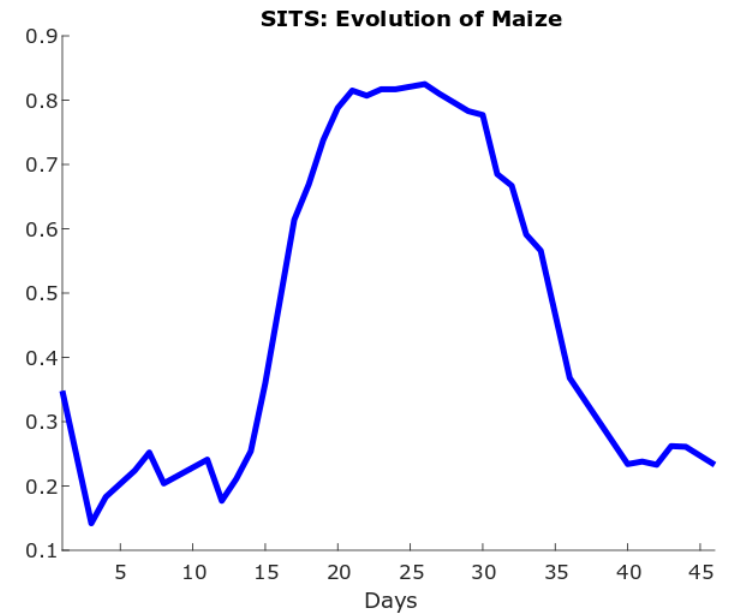
# What is a Time Series?

- Collection of observations made sequentially, more intuitive **visually**
- Many data can be transformed into time series → **Satellite Image Time Series**



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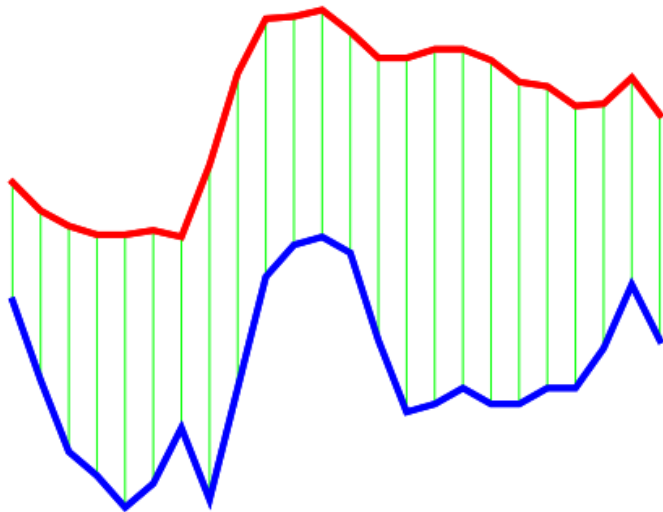


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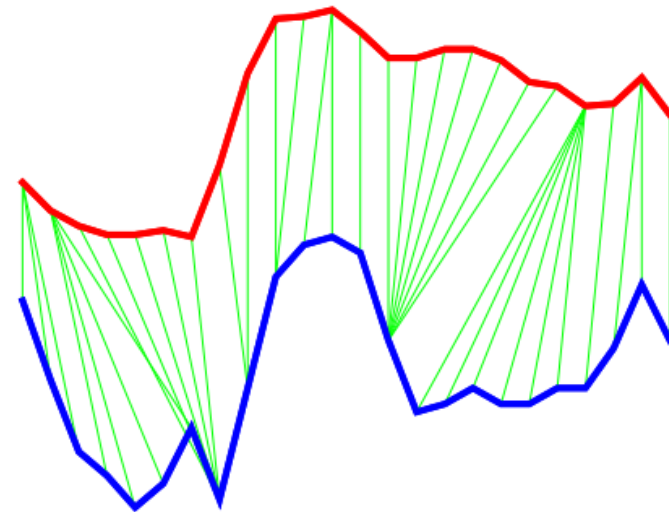


# Dynamic Time Warping

- a.k.a. **DTW** – similarity function to align time series  $O(L^2)$
- Nearest Neighbour Algorithm (**NN-DTW**) – Hard to beat [1]
- Used in many fields: Finance, Engineering, Speech Recognition, ...



Euclidean Distance  
One-to-one alignment



Dynamic Time Warping  
Nonlinear alignment

# Dynamic Time Warping

- Aligns two time series  $Q$  and  $C$  using Dynamic Programming
  - Build a cost matrix and solve:

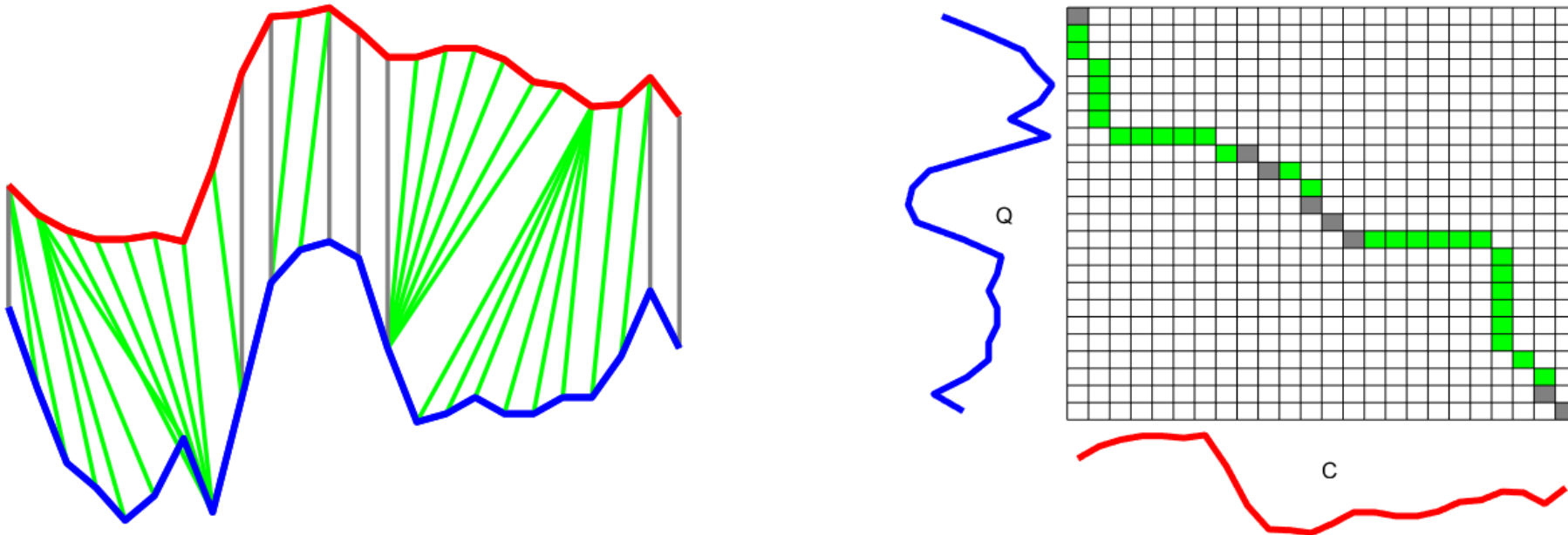
$$D^{Q,C}(i,j) = \delta(q_i, c_j) + \min \begin{cases} D^{Q,C}(i-1, j-1) \\ D^{Q,C}(i-1, j) \\ D^{Q,C}(i, j-1) \end{cases}$$

- where  $\delta(q_i, c_j) = L_p$ -norm

$$\text{DTW}(Q, C) = \left( D^{Q,C}(m, n) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

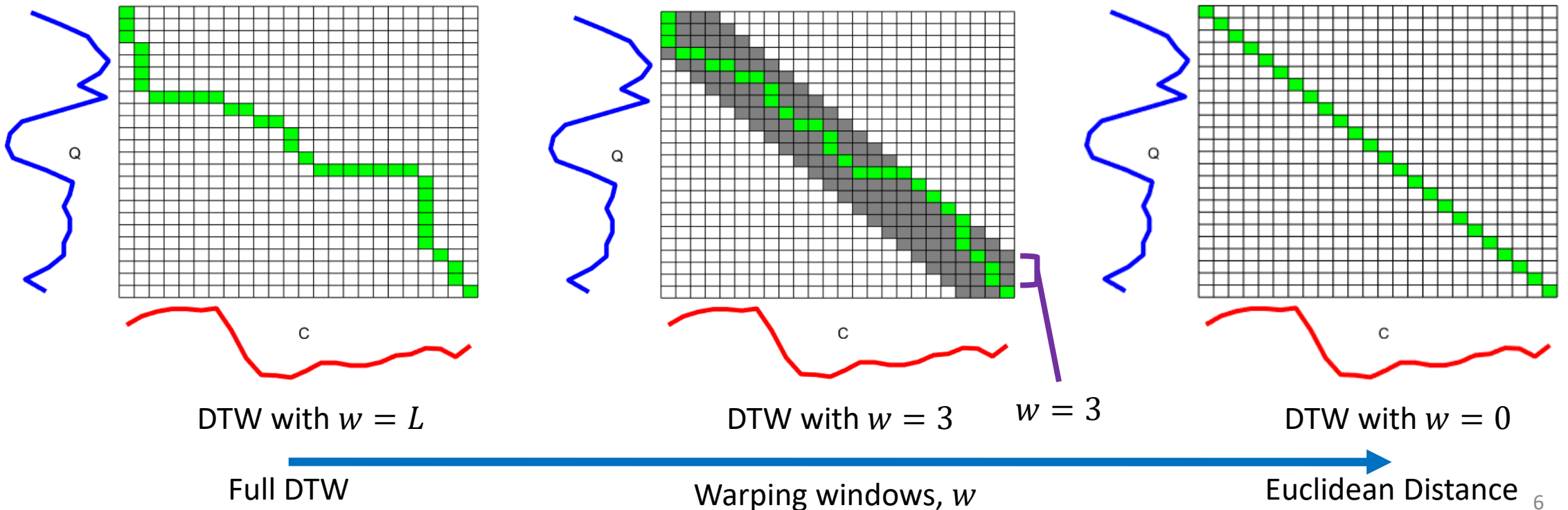
# Dynamic Time Warping

- Every possible alignment of  $Q$  and  $C$  is a warping path,  $\vec{p}$   
$$\vec{p} = [w_1, \dots, w_K]$$
- $w_k = (i, j)$  represents an association of  $q_i \leftrightarrow c_j$  aligned by DTW
- $\text{DTW}(Q, C)$  finds the cheapest warping path (“best”)



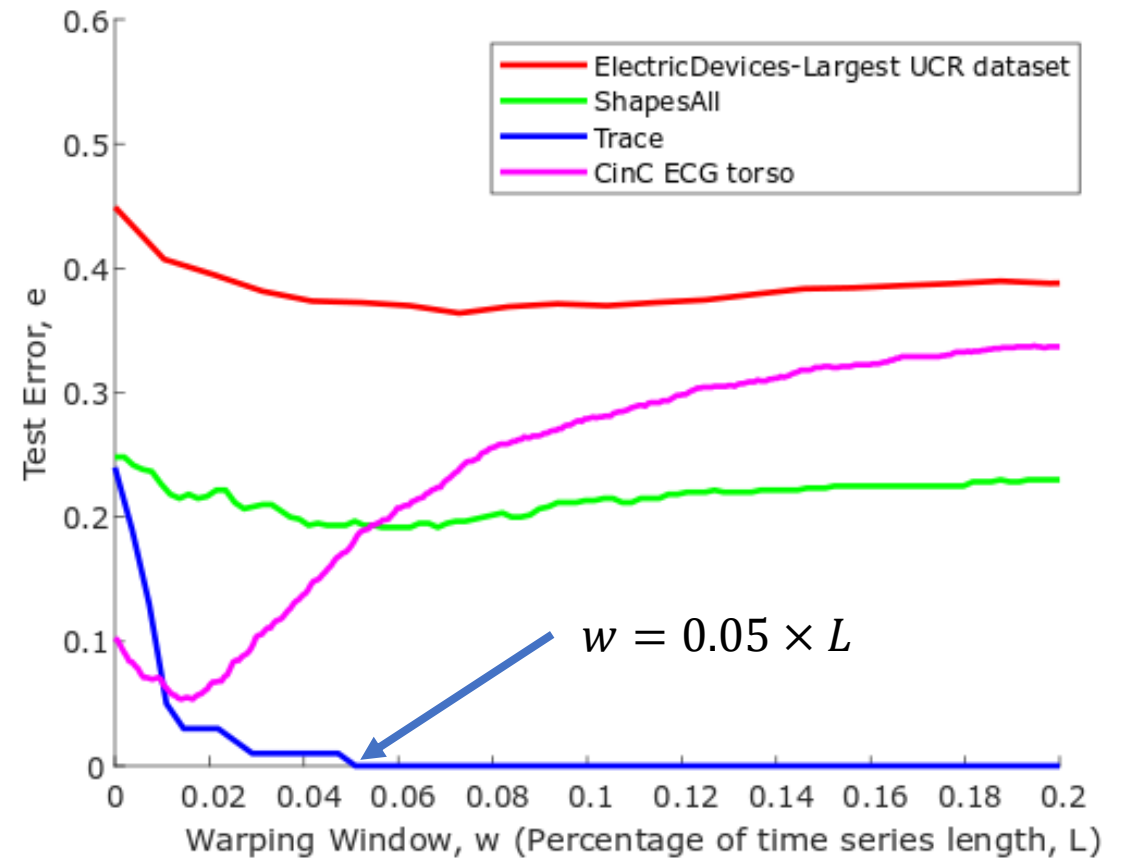
# Warping Window

- Warping Window,  $w$  is a **global constraint** on the **alignment of DTW** such that the elements of  $Q$  and  $C$  can only be mapped if they are less than  $w$  apart,  $w = \{0, \dots, L\}$



# Why learn the best warping window?

- **Strong** influence on accuracy
  - On **CinC ECG torso** dataset, error rate reduced from 35% to 7%
- **Outperforms** all existing time series classification (TSC) methods
  - **State of the art** – **COTE** and **EE** learn the best warping window for **DTW**
- **Speedup** DTW
  - Smaller  $w$  means we don't need to compute the full DTW matrix



# How to learn the best warping window?

```
for  $w = 0$  to  $L$  do  $\longrightarrow$  Parameter to NN-DTW algorithm  
   $error = 0$   
  for each  $s$  in  $T$  do  
     $nn_s = nn\_search(s, T \setminus s, w)$   $\longrightarrow$  Leave One Out Cross Validation (LOO-CV)  
    if  $nn_s.class \neq s.class$  then  $error++$   
    if  $error < bestError$  then  
       $bestWW = w$   
       $bestError = error$ 
```

Can be any **NN-DTW** algorithm



# Nearest Neighbour – DTW Search

- Naïve DTW Search

$bestDist = \infty$

**for each**  $c$  in  $T$  **do**

$dtwDist = DTW(q, c, w)$

**if**  $dtwDist < bestDist$  **then**

$bestDist = dtwDist$

$nnIndex = c.index$

- Lower Bound DTW Search

$bestDist = \infty$

**for each**  $c$  in  $T$  **do**

$lbDist = lowerBound(q, c, w)$

**if**  $lbDist < bestDist$  **then**

$dtwDist = DTW(q, c, w)$

**if**  $dtwDist < bestDist$  **then**

$bestDist = dtwDist$

$nnIndex = c.index$

LB Kim  
LB Keogh



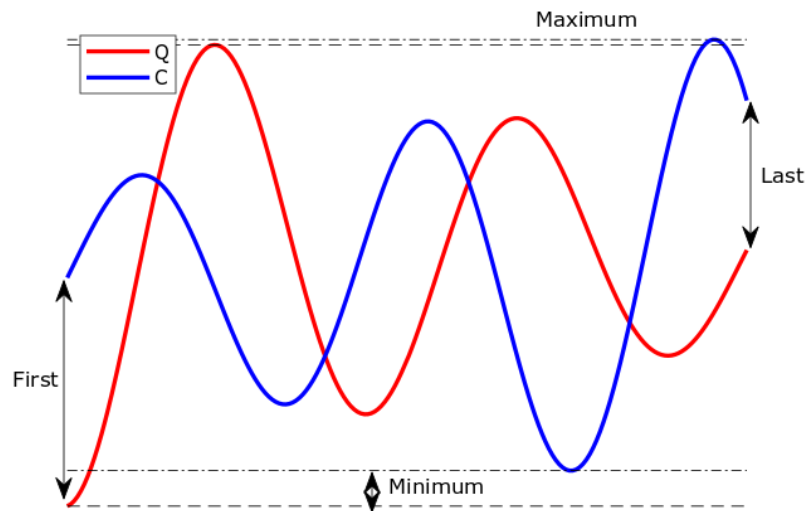
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# DTW Lower Bounds

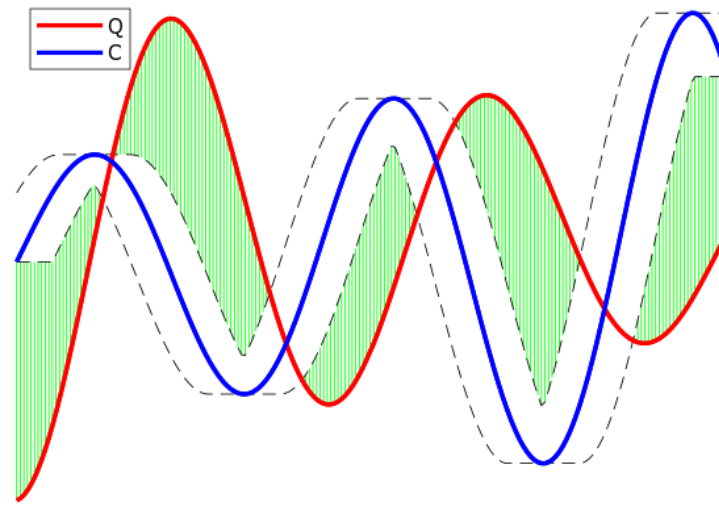
- **LB Kim**

$$\text{LB\_Kim}(Q, C) = \max \begin{cases} |q_1 - c_1| \\ |q_L - c_L| \\ |q_{\max} - c_{\max}| \\ |q_{\min} - c_{\min}| \end{cases}$$



- **LB Keogh**

$$\text{LB\_Keogh}_w(Q, C) = \sum_{i=1}^L \begin{cases} (q_i - U_i)^2, & \text{if } q_i > U_i \\ (q_i - L_i)^2, & \text{if } q_i < L_i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

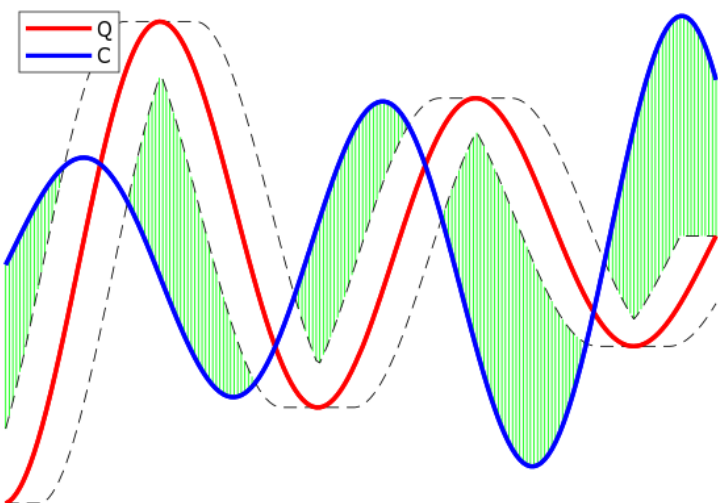


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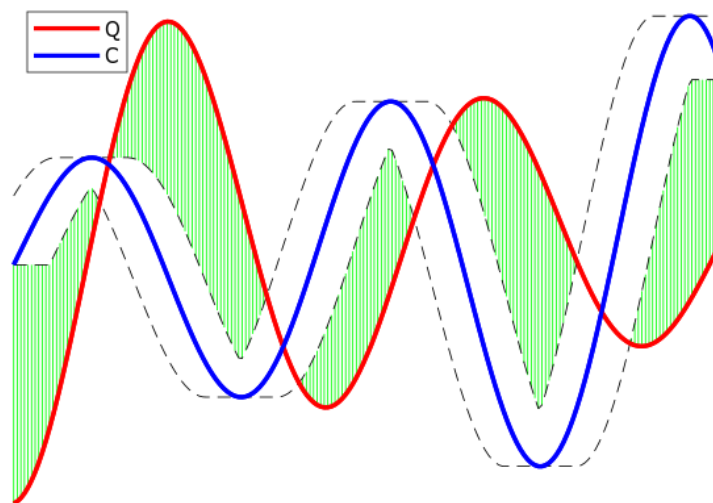
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# Reversing Query/Candidate in LB Keogh

Envelope on **Q**  
 $LB\_Keogh_w(Q, C)$

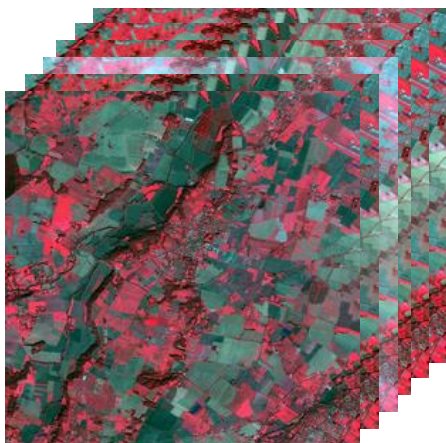


Envelope on **C**  
 $LB\_Keogh_w(C, Q)$

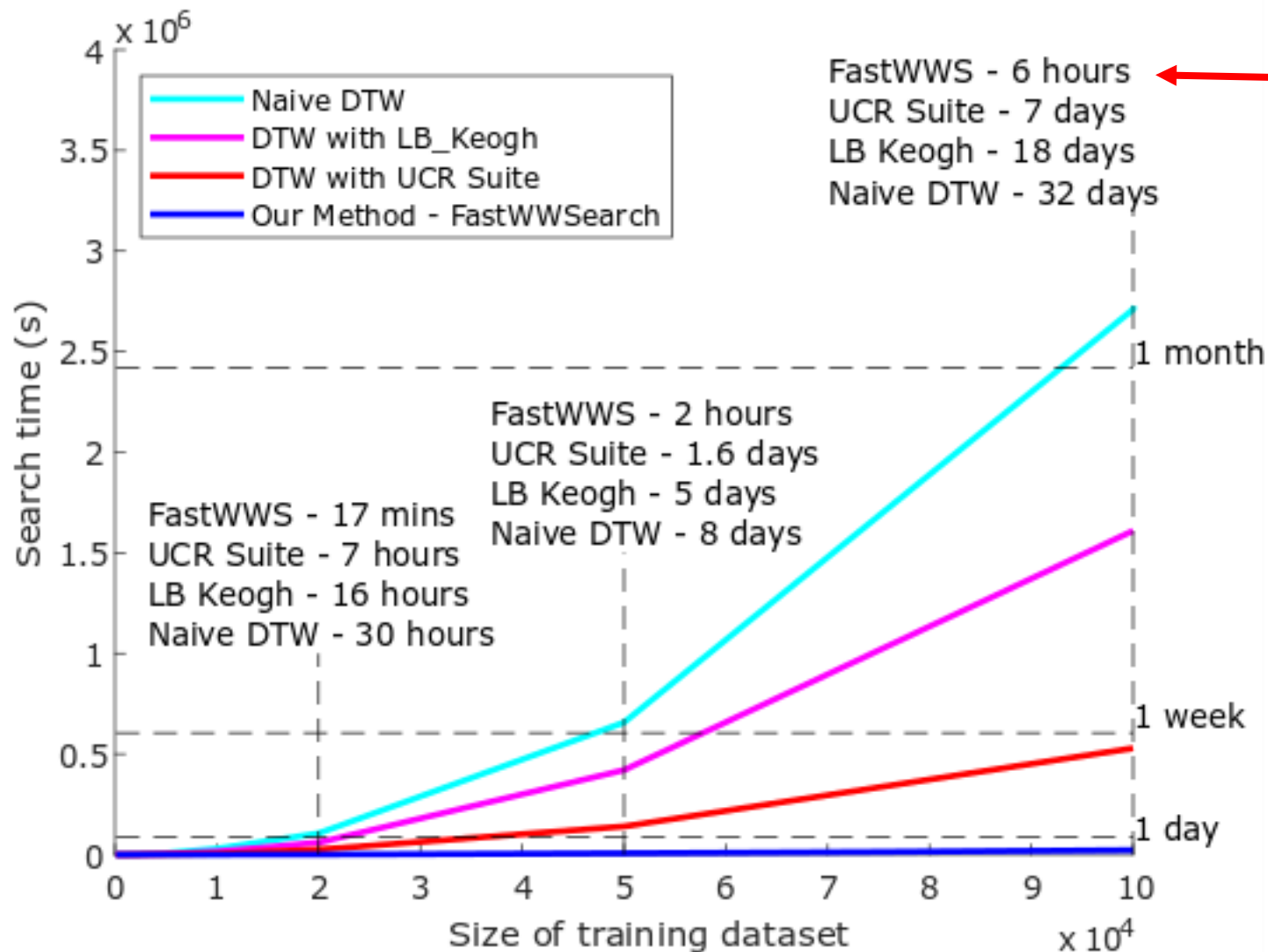


- $\max(LB\_Keogh_w(Q, C), LB\_Keogh_w(C, Q))$
- Increase tightness of LB Keogh
- Envelopes can be pre-computed
- We will show how we utilised all these “tricks” in our algorithm

Naïve approach learns the best warping window requires  $\theta(N^2L^3)$  operations



Satellite Image Time Series  
 $N = 1,000,000$   
 $L = 46$



← **Our method**

**Efficiently Search for the Best Warping Window of Any Time Series Dataset**

# Related Methods

## • UCR Suite

- Improve efficiency of NN-DTW by **minimising DTW computations**
- **4 optimisation techniques**
  - Early abandoning Z-Normalisation
  - Reordering early abandoning
  - Reversing query and candidate in LB Keogh
  - Cascading lower bounds
- Did not use to learn warping window but can be repurposed for this task

## • Pruned DTW

- Improve efficiency of DTW
- Compute an upper bound to **minimise the computations** by skipping the cells **of the cost matrix** that are larger
- Uses the **DTW value with smaller  $w$  as the upper bound** to prune DTW with larger  $w$
- Improvement for warping window search is minimal

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# Fast Warping Window Search for DTW

- a.k.a. **FastWWS** - An **exact** method
  - LazyAssessNN
  - FastFillNNTable
- Use links between different values of the loops

These loops are independent

```
for w = 0 to L do  
  error = 0
```

All optimisation in the literature occurs here

```
for each s in T do  
  nns = nn_search(s, T \ s, w)  
  if nns.class ≠ s.class then error++
```

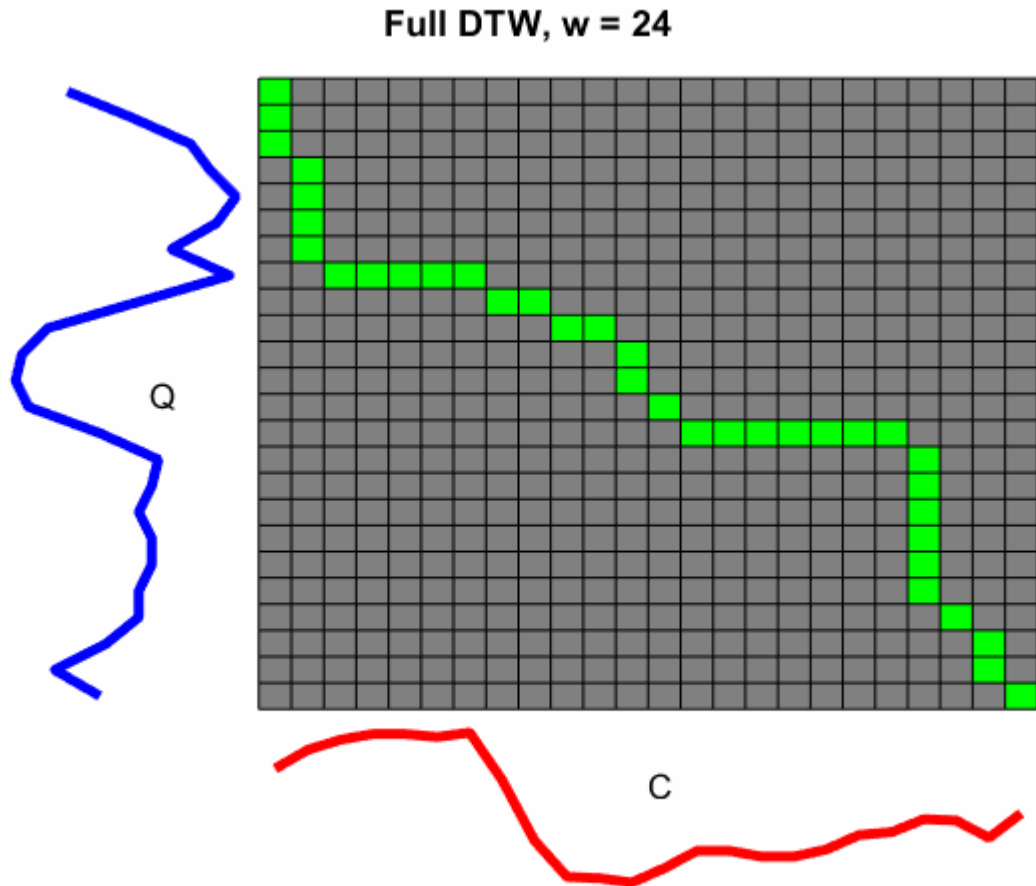
- (1) For each warping window,  $w$
- (2) Find the nearest neighbour  $nn$  of each time series  $s$  in  $T \setminus s$

```
if error < bestError then  
  bestWW = w  
  bestError = error
```

# Properties for FastWWS

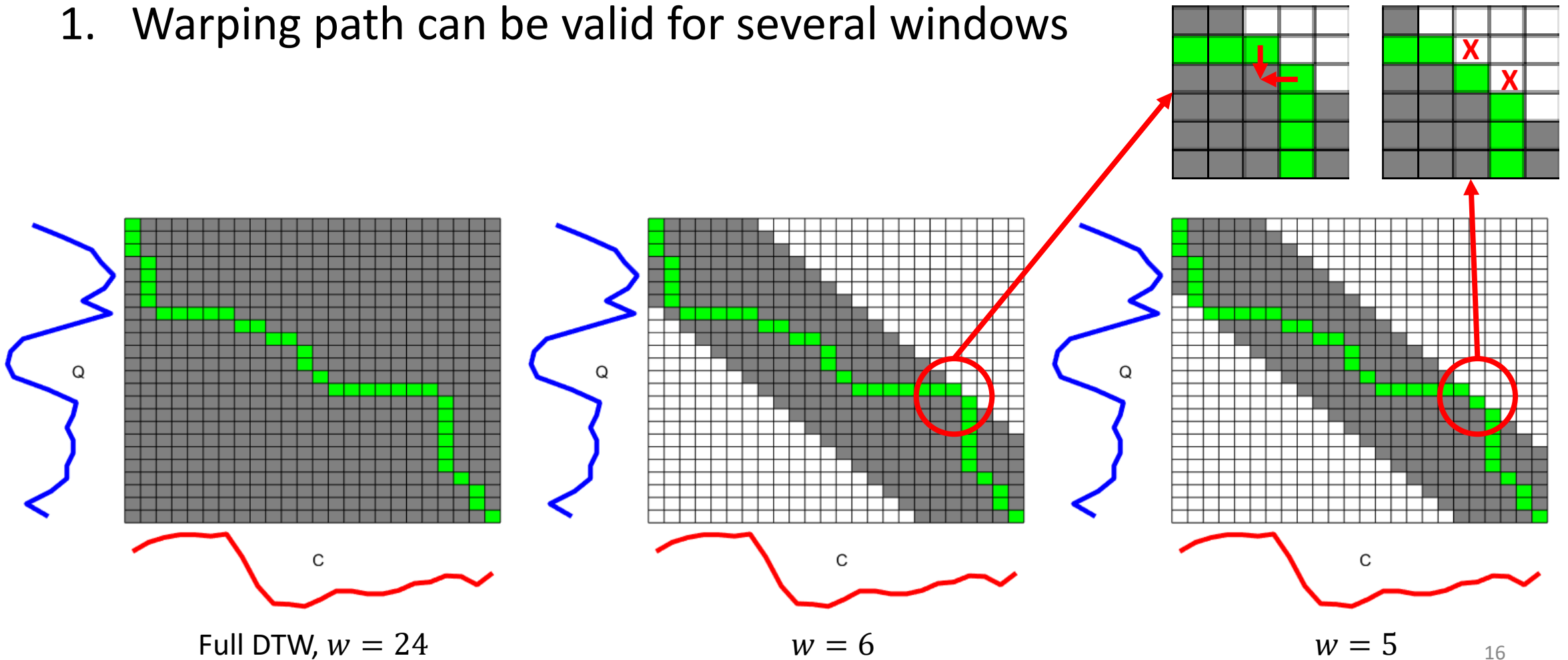
1. Warping path can be valid for several windows
  - $w$  has a “validity”
  - skip computations of all valid  $w$
  - Example:
    - Warping path is valid to  $w = 6$
    - $\text{DTW}_{24}(Q, C) = \text{DTW}_6(Q, C)$
    - Skip all DTW from  $w = [24, \dots, 6]$

$w$	...	4	5	6	7	...	23	24
$\text{DTW}_w(Q, C)$	...	8.82	8.36	8.04	8.04	...	8.04	8.04



# Properties for FastWWS

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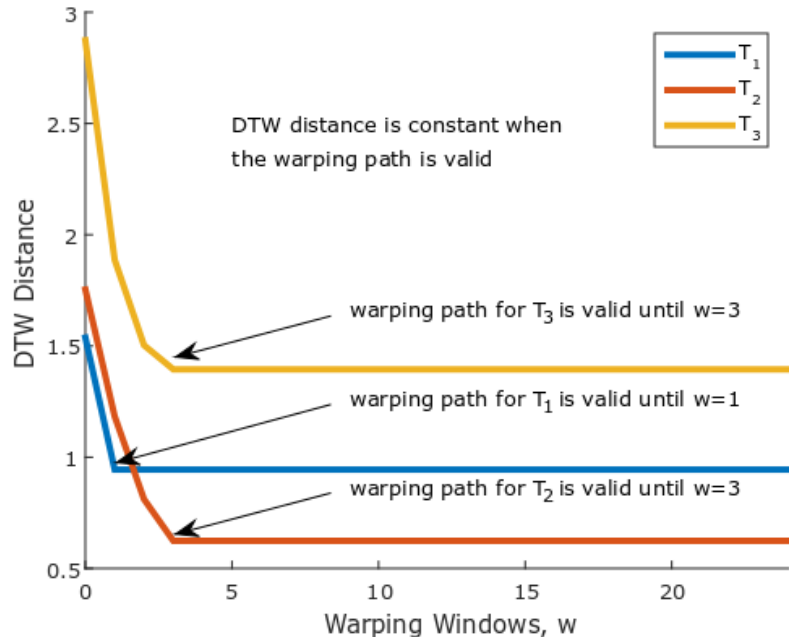




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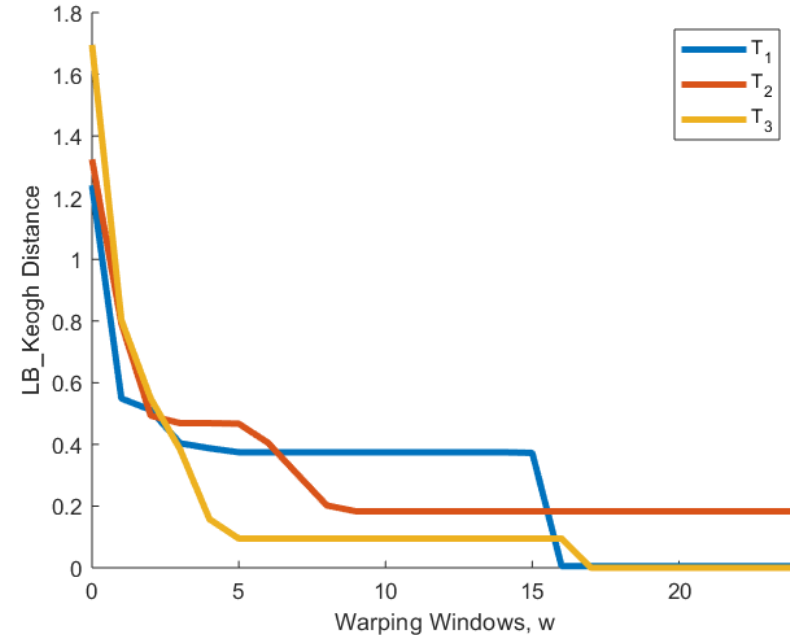
2. DTW is monotone with warping window

- $DTW_w(Q, C) \leq DTW_{w-1}(Q, C)$



3. LB Keogh is monotone with warping window

- $LB\_Keogh_w(Q, C) \leq LB\_Keogh_{w-1}(Q, C)$



**New Lower Bounds to prune Nearest Neighbours before computing  $DTW_w(Q, C)$**


$$DTW_w(Q, C) \geq DTW_{w+1}(Q, C)$$

$$LB\_Keogh_w(Q, C) \geq LB\_Keogh_{w+1}(Q, C) \geq LB\_Kim(Q, C)$$

# FastWWS Intuition

- Efficiently fill up a NN table, giving the nearest neighbour of every time series for all windows
- Naïvely create the table using DTW, requires  $\theta(N^2L^3)$  operations

Prior approaches typically go from **smallest** to **largest** with a subset of windows



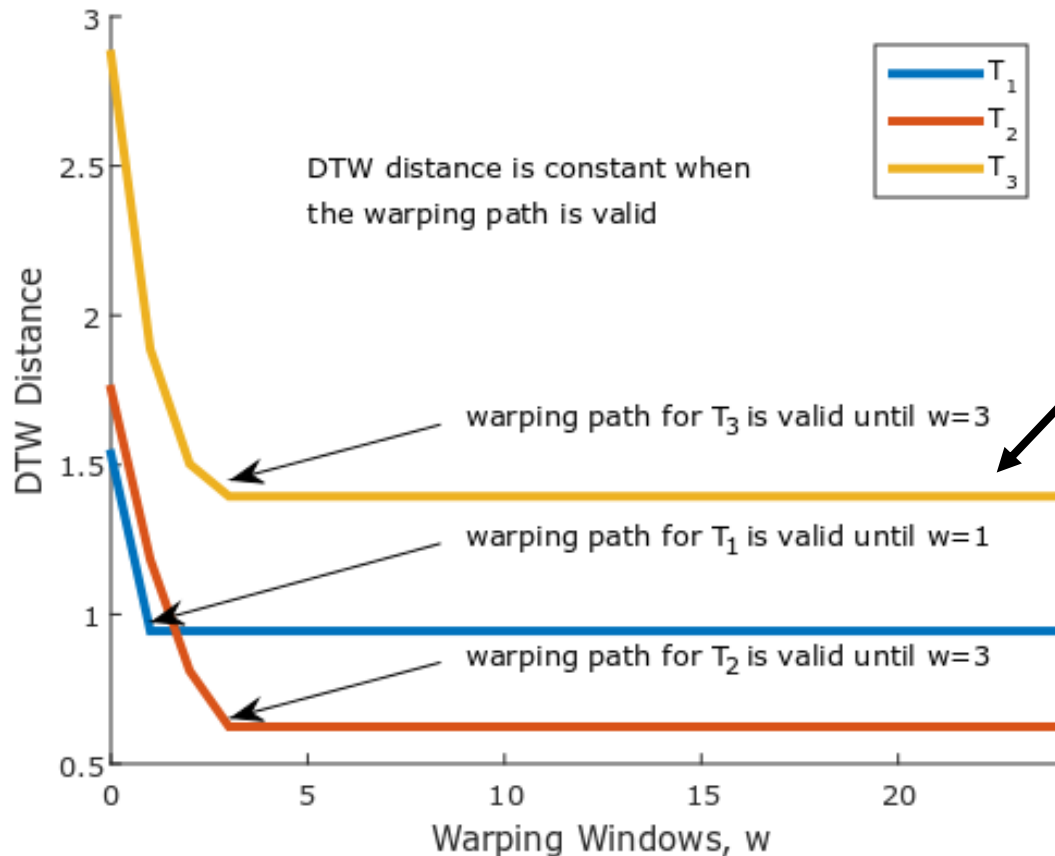
	Nearest neighbor at warping windows				
	0	1	...	$L - 2$	$L - 1$
$T_1$	$T_{24}(2.57)$	$T_{55}(0.98)$	...	$T_{55}(0.98)$	$T_{55}(0.98)$
$\vdots$			$\vdots$		
$T_N$	$T_{60}(4.04)$	$T_{47}(1.61)$	...	$T_{47}(1.61)$	$T_{47}(1.61)$

**FastWWS** goes from **largest** to **smallest**, fast enough to test all windows



# FastWWS Intuition

- **FastWWS** goes from largest to smallest, applies to all or a subset of windows



- Large window validity for  $DTW_L$  (Most of the time)
- No bounds are necessary
- DTW has not changed

Thus obtain  $DTW_{w+k}$  and/or  $LB\_Keogh_{w+k}$  for **“FREE”** as the lower bound for  $DTW_w$

**Tighter bounds for pruning**

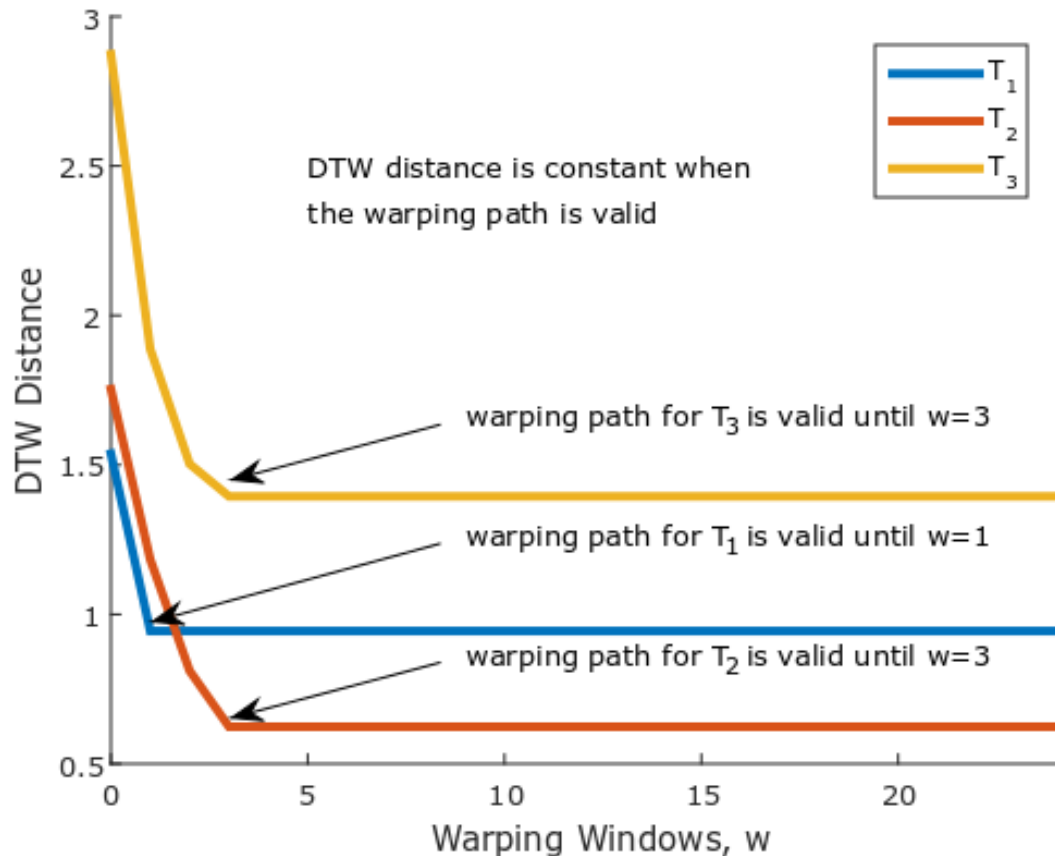
$$DTW_w(Q, C) \geq DTW_{w+1}(Q, C)$$

$$LB\_Keogh_w(Q, C) \geq LB\_Keogh_{w+1}(Q, C) \geq LB\_Kim(Q, C)$$

Only use the value at  $w + k$  when available, no point in computing  $DTW_{w+k}$  for  $DTW_w$

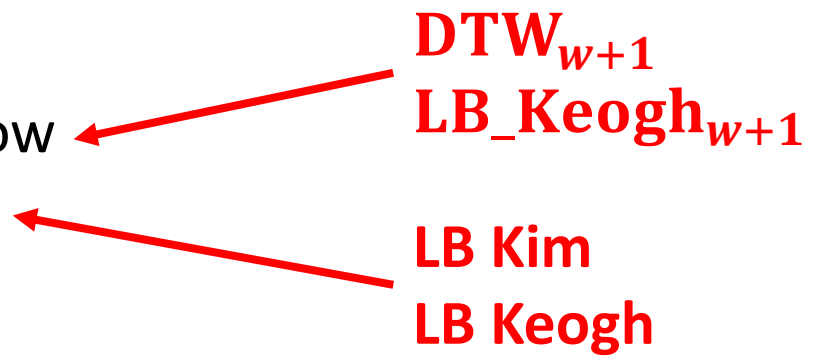
# FastWWS Intuition

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1. If we find the nearest neighbour for a time series at window,  $w = L$  and the warping path is valid to  $w = 0$ , then we only need to do 1 DTW computation
2. When we calculate  $DTW_w(Q, C)$ , even if candidate  $C$  is not the nearest neighbour of  $Q$ , we do not need to recompute  $DTW_{w'}(Q, C)$  for all windows  $w'$  that are valid

# Lazy Nearest Neighbour Assessment

- Assess if a pair of time series  $(Q, C)$ , can be less than distance  $d$  for window  $w$
  - Postpones calculations for as long as possible
    1. First prune with lower bounds from larger window
    2. Try lower bounds of increasing complexity until
      - a.  $LB_w(Q, C) > d$
      - b. Calculated  $DTW_w(Q, C)$
  - When  $w$  decreases, any value previously calculated for a larger window becomes a lower bound for current  $w$ , stored in a Cache,  $\mathcal{C}_{(Q,C)}$
- 
- $DTW_{w+1}$**   
 **$LB\_Keogh_{w+1}$**
- LB Kim**  
**LB Keogh**

# LazyAssessNN Algorithm

1. First do LB Kim if hasn't been done

```
if cacheQ,C is empty do cacheQ,C = LB_Kim(Q, C)
if cacheQ,C.stoppedAt == DTWw+k and w is valid then
    if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByDTW else return cacheQ,C.value
if cacheQ,C.stoppedAt == LB_Kim or LB_Keoghw+k then
    if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByLB
```

```
cacheQ,C = LB_Keoghw(Q, C) if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByLB
cacheQ,C = LB_Keoghw(C, Q) if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByLB
cacheQ,C = DTWw(C, Q) if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByDTW
return cacheQ,C.value
```

# LazyAssessNN Algorithm

2. Check lower bounds from previous window

DTW and LB Keogh from larger window (property 2 & 3)

```
if cacheQ,C is empty do cacheQ,C = LB_Kim(Q, C)
if cacheQ,C.stoppedAt == DTWw+k and w is valid then
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cacheQ,C = LB_Keoghw(Q, C) if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByLB
cacheQ,C = LB_Keoghw(C, Q) if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByLB
cacheQ,C = DTWw(C, Q) if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByDTW
return cacheQ,C.value
```

# LazyAssessNN Algorithm

4. If current window  $w$  is not valid

3. Use DTW from previous window ( $w + k$ ) if current window  $w$  still valid (property 1)

```
if cacheQ,C is empty do cacheQ,C = LB_Kim(Q, C)
if cacheQ,C.stoppedAt == DTWw+k and w is valid then
    if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByDTW else return cacheQ,C.value
if cacheQ,C.stoppedAt == LB_Kim or LB_Keoghw+k then
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cacheQ,C = LB_Keoghw(Q, C) if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByLB
cacheQ,C = LB_Keoghw(C, Q) if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByLB
cacheQ,C = DTWw(C, Q) if cacheQ,C.value ≥ d return prunedByDTW
return cacheQ,C.value
```

- Next call to LazyAssessNN will be with a smaller  $w$
- Possible to use Early Abandon on LB\_Keogh and LB\_Improved [1]



# Fast Fill the Nearest Neighbour Table

```

NN.fillAll(_, ∞) ∀{w, N} ← Initialise NN table with ∞ NN distance
for s ← 2 to N do ← Start with second series
  for w ← L - 1 down to 0 do ← Start from largest window
    if NNwTs ≠ ∅ then ← a. Check if NN for Ts exist at this window
      for t ← 1 to s - 1 do ← a. Update NN for all previous series
        res = LazyAssessNN(Ts, Tt, w, NNwTs) if res not pruned then NNwTs = (Tt, res)
      else
        for t ← 1 to s - 1 do
          res = LazyAssessNN(Ts, Tt, w, NNwTs) if res not pruned then NNwTs = (Tt, res)
          res = LazyAssessNN(Ts, Tt, w, NNwTt) if res not pruned then NNwTt = (Ts, res)
        for w' ∈ NNwTs.valid do NNw'Ts = NNwTs ← d. Propagate NN for all valid windows
  ← b. Find NN for current series
  ← c. Check if current series Ts is NN for previous series

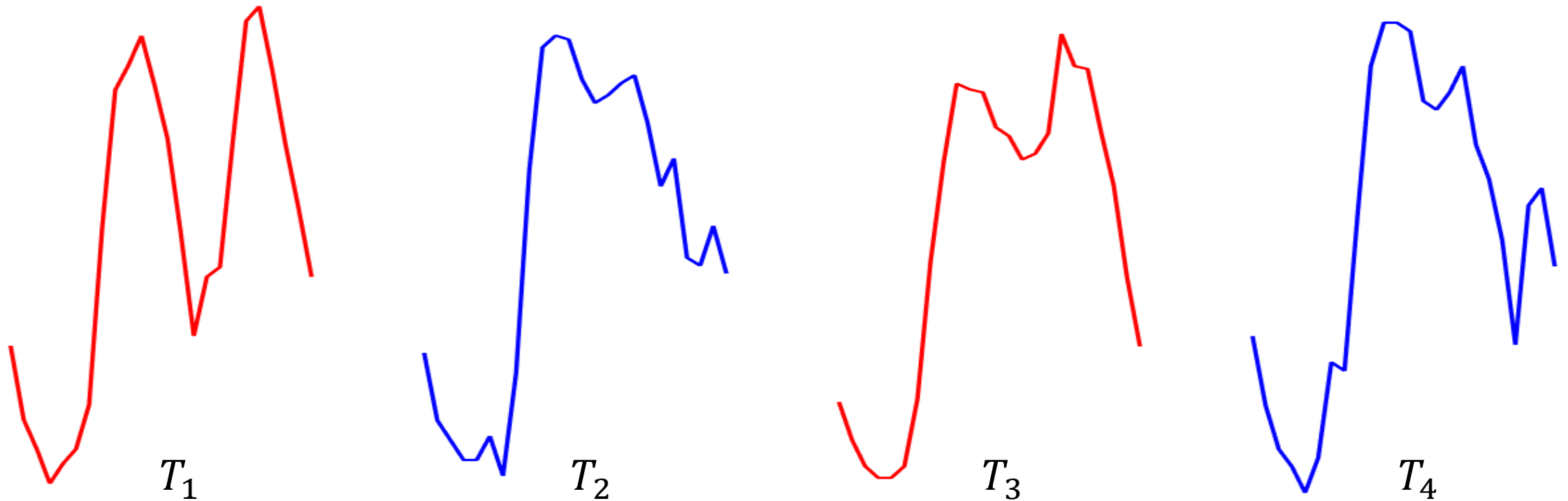
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# Fast Fill the Nearest Neighbour Table

- Build table for a subset  $T' \subseteq T$  of increasing size until  $T' = T$ 
  1. Start with 2 time series  $T' = \{T_1, T_2\}$  and fill the table as if  $T'$  is the entire dataset, starting from  $w = L - 1$  to  $w = 0$ 
    - $T_2$  is the nearest neighbour of  $T_1$  and vice versa
  2. Add a third time series  $T_3$  from  $T \setminus T'$  to  $T'$ ,  $T' = \{T_1, T_2, T_3\}$ 
    - a. Check if nearest neighbour exists for  $T_3$
    - b. Find the nearest neighbour of  $T_3$  within  $T' \setminus T_3 = \{T_1, T_2\}$
    - c. Check if  $T_3$  is the nearest neighbour of  $T_1$  and/or  $T_2$
    - d. Propagate nearest neighbour of  $T_3$  for all valid windows
  3. Repeat step 2 with the next time series,  $T_n$  in  $T \setminus T'$  until  $T' = T$

# FastWWS Example

- Let  $T$  be a training dataset of 4 time series,  $T = \{T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4\}$
- Length of each time series is  $L = 24$



Cache	StoppedAt	Value
cache <sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>2</sub></sub>	LB_Kim	0.040

# FastWWS Example

Precompute LB Kim

Reference:  $NN_w^{T_s}$ (window validity,  $d_{NN}$ )

w	0	1	2	3	4	5	...	22	23
$T_1$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	...	$\infty$	$T_2(5, 4.254)$
$T_2$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	...	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	$T_1(5, 4.254)$

1. Initialise **Cache & NN Table** with  $\infty$  NN distance, NN. fillAll( $\_$ ,  $\infty$ )  $\forall \{w, N\}$

2. Start with  $T' = \{T_1, T_2\}$ ,  $w = 23$ ,  $d_{NN} = \infty$  and **Query:  $T_2$** , **Candidate:  $T_1$**

• **LazyAssessNN**( $T_1, T_2, 23, \infty$ ):

• cache<sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>2</sub></sub> = LB\_Kim( $T_1, T_2$ ) = 0.040 <  $\infty$  **continue**

• Compute cache<sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>2</sub></sub> = LB\_Keogh<sub>23</sub>( $T_1, T_2$ ) = 0.000 <  $\infty$  **continue**

• Compute cache<sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>2</sub></sub> = LB\_Keogh<sub>23</sub>( $T_2, T_1$ ) = 0.046 <  $\infty$  **continue**

• Compute cache<sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>2</sub></sub> = DTW<sub>23</sub>( $T_1, T_2$ ) = {validTill = 5, 4.254} <  $\infty$  **return** cache<sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>2</sub></sub>.value

• Assign  $T_1$  as the Nearest Neighbour for  $T_2$  at  $w = 23$  and vice versa for  $T_1$

• Propagate Nearest Neighbour of  $T_2$  at  $w = 23$  for  $w = 22$  to 5

Propagate  $NN_w^{T_2}$   
across  $w = 22$  to 5

Cache	StoppedAt	Value
$cache_{T_1, T_2}$	$DTW_{23}$	4.254

Update cache every time we compute a distance

# FastWWS Example

Reference:  $NN_w^{T_s}(\text{window validity}, d_{NN})$

w	0	1	2	3	4	5	...	22	23
$T_1$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$T_2(5, 4.254)$	...	$T_2(5, 4.254)$	$T_2(5, 4.254)$
$T_2$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	...	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	$T_1(5, 4.254)$

- Continue with  $w = 22$ ,  $d_{NN} = 4.254$  and **Query:  $T_2$ , Candidate:  $T_1$** 
  - Since we have NN for  $T_2$  at  $w = 22$ , we have to check if  $T_2$  is NN of  $T_1$
  - LazyAssessNN**( $T_1, T_2, 22, \infty$ ):
    - $cache_{T_1, T_2}.stoppedAt == DTW_{23}$  **and**  $w = 22$  is valid
    - $cache_{T_1, T_2}.value = 4.254 < \infty$  **return**  $cache_{T_1, T_2}.value$
  - Assign  $T_2$  as the Nearest Neighbour for  $T_1$  at  $w = 22$
- Repeat step 3 for all windows,  $w \in \{21, \dots, 5\}$

$w = 22$  is still valid  
 $\therefore DTW_{22}(T_1, T_2)$   
 $= DTW_{23}(T_1, T_2)$   
 $= 4.254$

Cache	StoppedAt	Value
$cache_{T_1, T_2}$	$DTW_5$	4.254

# FastWWS Example

Reference:  $NN_w^{T_s}$ (window validity,  $d_{NN}$ )

w	0	1	2	3	4	5	...	22	23
$T_1$	$T_2(0, 11.89)$	$T_2(1, 8.972)$	$T_2(2, 7.341)$	$T_2(3, 6.243)$	$T_2(4, 4.814)$	$T_2(5, 4.254)$	...	$T_2(5, 4.254)$	$T_2(5, 4.254)$
$T_2$	$T_1(0, 11.89)$	$T_1(1, 8.972)$	$T_1(2, 7.341)$	$T_1(3, 6.243)$	$T_1(4, 4.814)$	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	...	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	$T_1(5, 4.254)$

- Continue with  $w = 4$ ,  $d_{NN} = \infty$  and **Query:  $T_2$ , Candidate:  $T_1$** 
  - LazyAssessNN**( $T_1, T_2, 4, \infty$ ):
    - $cache_{T_1, T_2}.stoppedAt == DTW_5$  **and**  $w = 4$  is not valid
    - $cache_{T_1, T_2}.value = 4.254 < \infty$  **continue**
    - Compute  $cache_{T_1, T_2} = LB\_Keogh_4(T_1, T_2) = 0.000 < \infty$  **continue**
    - Compute  $cache_{T_1, T_2} = LB\_Keogh_4(T_2, T_1) = 2.076 < \infty$  **continue**
    - Compute  $cache_{T_1, T_2} = DTW_4(T_1, T_2) = \{validTill = 4, 4.814\} < \infty$  **return**  $cache_{T_1, T_2}.value$
  - Assign  $T_1$  as the Nearest Neighbour for  $T_2$  at  $w = 4$  and vice versa for  $T_1$
- Repeat step 5 for all windows,  $w \in \{3, \dots, 0\}$

$w = 4$  is not valid, recompute DTW if necessary

Cannot propagate NN as window is only valid for  $w = 4$

Cache	StoppedAt	Value
cache <sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>2</sub></sub>	DTW <sub>0</sub>	11.89
cache <sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub>	LB_Kim	0.361
cache <sub>T<sub>2</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub>	LB_Kim	0.317

# FastWWS Example

Reference:  $NN_w^{T_s}$ (window validity,  $d_{NN}$ )

w	0	1	2	3	4	5	...	22	23
$T_1$	$T_2(0, 11.89)$	$T_2(1, 8.972)$	$T_2(2, 7.341)$	$T_2(3, 6.243)$	$T_2(4, 4.814)$	$T_2(5, 4.254)$	...	$T_2(5, 4.254)$	$T_2(5, 4.254)$
$T_2$	$T_1(0, 11.89)$	$T_1(1, 8.972)$	$T_1(2, 7.341)$	$T_1(3, 6.243)$	$T_1(4, 4.814)$	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	...	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	$T_1(5, 4.254)$
$T_3$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	...	$\infty$	$\infty$

7. Add  $T_3$ ,  $T' = \{T_1, T_2, T_3\}$

- $cache_{T_1, T_3} = LB\_Kim(T_1, T_3) = 0.361 < \infty$
- $cache_{T_2, T_3} = LB\_Kim(T_2, T_3) = 0.317 < \infty$
- Since  $LB\_Kim(T_2, T_3) < LB\_Kim(T_1, T_3)$ , start with  $(T_2, T_3)$  pair

When adding a new series, initialise the row to  $\infty$  - meaning no NN candidate yet

Cache	StoppedAt	Value
cache <sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>2</sub></sub>	DTW <sub>0</sub>	11.89
cache <sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub>	LB_Kim	0.361
cache <sub>T<sub>2</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub>	LB_Kim	0.317

# FastWWS Example

$$DTW_{23}(T_2, T_3) = 1.612 < 4.254$$

$$\text{Update NN}_{23}^{T_2} = T_3$$

Reference:  $NN_w^{T_s}(\text{window validity}, d_{NN})$

w	0	1	2	3	4	5	...	22	23
$T_1$	$T_2(0, 11.89)$	$T_2(1, 8.972)$	$T_2(2, 7.341)$	$T_2(3, 6.243)$	$T_2(4, 4.814)$	$T_2(5, 4.254)$	...	$T_2(5, 4.254)$	$T_2(5, 4.254)$
$T_2$	$T_1(0, 11.89)$	$T_1(1, 8.972)$	$T_1(2, 7.341)$	$T_1(3, 6.243)$	$T_1(4, 4.814)$	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	...	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	$T_3(4, 1.612)$
$T_3$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	...	$\infty$	$T_2(4, 1.612)$

8. For  $T_2, T_3$ ,  $w = 23$ ,  $d_{NN} = \infty$  and **Query:  $T_3$** , **Candidate:  $T_2$**

- **LazyAssessNN**( $T_2, T_3, 23, \infty$ ):

- cache<sub>T<sub>2</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub>.value = 0.317 <  $\infty$  **continue**

- Compute cache<sub>T<sub>2</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub> = LB\_Keogh<sub>23</sub>( $T_2, T_3$ ) = 0.000 <  $\infty$  **continue**

- Compute cache<sub>T<sub>2</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub> = LB\_Keogh<sub>23</sub>( $T_2, T_3$ ) = 0.000 <  $\infty$  **continue**

- Compute cache<sub>T<sub>2</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub> = DTW<sub>23</sub>( $T_2, T_3$ ) = {validTill = 4, 1.612} <  $\infty$  **return** cache.value

- Assign  $T_2$  as the Nearest Neighbour for  $T_3$  at  $w = 23$

- Since  $DTW_{23}(T_2, T_3) = 1.612 < DTW_{23}(T_1, T_2) = 4.254$ , Update  $T_3$  as the Nearest Neighbour for  $T_2$  at  $w = 23$

Nearest Neighbour for  $T_3$  is  $T_2$



Cache	StoppedAt	Value
cache <sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>2</sub></sub>	DTW <sub>0</sub>	11.89
cache <sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub>	LB_Kim	0.361
cache <sub>T<sub>2</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub>	DTW <sub>23</sub>	1.612

# FastWWS Example

Reference:  $NN_w^{T_s}$ (window validity,  $d_{NN}$ )

w	0	1	2	3	4	5	...	22	23
$T_1$	$T_2(0, 11.89)$	$T_2(1, 8.972)$	$T_2(2, 7.341)$	$T_2(3, 6.243)$	$T_2(4, 4.814)$	$T_2(5, 4.254)$	...	$T_2(5, 4.254)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$
$T_2$	$T_1(0, 11.89)$	$T_1(1, 8.972)$	$T_1(2, 7.341)$	$T_1(3, 6.243)$	$T_1(4, 4.814)$	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	...	$T_1(5, 4.254)$	$T_3(4, 1.612)$
$T_3$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	...	$\infty$	$T_2(4, 1.612)$

$DTW_{23}(T_1, T_3) = 3.326 < 4.254$   
Update  $NN_{23}^{T_1} = T_3$

9. For  $T_1, T_3$ ,  $d_{NN} = 1.612$ ,  $DTW_{23}(T_1, T_2) = 4.254$  and Query:  $T_3$ , Candidate:  $T_1$

• **LazyAssessNN**( $T_1, T_3, 23, 1.612$ ):

- cache<sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub>.value = 0.361 < 1.612 **continue**
- Compute cache<sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub> = LB\_Keogh<sub>23</sub>( $T_1, T_3$ ) = 0.000 < 1.612 **continue**
- Compute cache<sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub> = LB\_Keogh<sub>23</sub>( $T_1, T_3$ ) = 0.039 < 1.612 **continue**
- Compute cache<sub>T<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>3</sub></sub> = DTW<sub>23</sub>( $T_1, T_3$ ) = {validTill = 2, 3.326} ≥ 1.612 **return** prunedByDTW

• No change to Nearest Neighbour for  $T_3$  at  $w = 23$

• Since  $DTW_{23}(T_1, T_3) = 3.326 < DTW_{23}(T_1, T_2) = 4.254$ , Update  $T_3$  as the Nearest Neighbour for  $T_1$  at  $w = 23$

$DTW_{23}(T_1, T_3) = 3.326 \geq 1.612$   
No change to  $NN_{23}^{T_3}$

Cache	StoppedAt	Value
cache $_{T_1, T_2}$	DTW $_0$	11.89
cache $_{T_1, T_3}$	DTW $_{23}$	3.326
cache $_{T_2, T_3}$	DTW $_{23}$	1.612

# FastWWS Example

Reference:  $NN_w^{T_s}$  (window validity,  $d_{NN}$ )

w	0	1	2	3	4	5	...	22	23
$T_1$	$T_2(0, 11.89)$	$T_2(1, 8.972)$	$T_2(2, 7.341)$	$T_2(3, 6.243)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	...	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$
$T_2$	$T_1(0, 11.89)$	$T_1(1, 8.972)$	$T_1(2, 7.341)$	$T_1(3, 6.243)$	$T_3(4, 1.612)$	$T_3(4, 1.612)$	...	$T_3(4, 1.612)$	$T_3(4, 1.612)$
$T_3$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$T_2(4, 1.612)$	$T_2(4, 1.612)$	...	$T_2(4, 1.612)$	$T_2(4, 1.612)$

10. Now we are sure about  $NN_{23}^{T_1}$ ,  $NN_{23}^{T_2}$  and  $NN_{23}^{T_3}$

- We can update NN for  $T_1, T_2, T_3$  for  $w = 22$  to 4 since  $NN_{23}^{T_3}$  is valid until  $w = 4$
- $NN_{23}^{T_1}$  is valid until  $w = 2$  and will be updated later when we move on to  $w = 2$
- Since  $DTW_{23}(T_2, T_3) = 1.612 < DTW_{23}(T_1, T_3) = 3.326$ , start with  $(T_2, T_3)$  pair for  $w = 3$
- $DTW_4(T_1, T_3) = DTW_{23}(T_1, T_3)$
- $DTW_4(T_2, T_3) = DTW_{23}(T_2, T_3)$

Propagate  $NN_w^{T_3}$  and update  $NN_w^{T_1}, NN_w^{T_2}$  across  $w = 22$  to 4

Cache	StoppedAt	Value
cache $_{T_1, T_2}$	DTW $_0$	11.89
cache $_{T_1, T_3}$	DTW $_4$	3.326
cache $_{T_2, T_3}$	DTW $_4$	1.612

# FastWWS Example

Reference:  $NN_w^{T_s}$ (window validity,  $d_{NN}$ )

w	0	1	2	3	4	5	...	22	23
$T_1$	$T_3(0, 4.911)$	$T_3(1, 3.486)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	...	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$
$T_2$	$T_3(0, 4.395)$	$T_3(1, 2.598)$	$T_3(2, 1.882)$	$T_3(3, 1.614)$	$T_3(4, 1.612)$	$T_3(4, 1.612)$	...	$T_3(4, 1.612)$	$T_3(4, 1.612)$
$T_3$	$T_2(0, 4.395)$	$T_2(1, 2.598)$	$T_2(2, 1.882)$	$T_2(3, 1.614)$	$T_2(4, 1.612)$	$T_2(4, 1.612)$	...	$T_2(4, 1.612)$	$T_2(4, 1.612)$

11. For  $T_2, T_3$  continue with  $w = 3, d_{NN} = \infty$  and Query:  $T_3$ , Candidates:  $T_2$

- LazyAssessNN( $T_2, T_3, 3, \infty$ ):

- cache $_{T_2, T_3}$ .stoppedAt == DTW $_4$  and  $w = 3$  is not valid

- cache $_{T_2, T_3} = 1.612 < \infty$  continue

- Compute cache $_{T_2, T_3} = LB\_Keogh_3(T_2, T_3) = 0.421 < \infty$  continue

- Compute cache $_{T_2, T_3} = LB\_Keogh_3(T_3, T_2) = 0.328 < \infty$  continue

- Compute cache $_{T_2, T_3} = DTW_3(T_2, T_3) = \{\text{validTill} = 3, 1.614\} < \infty$  return cache.value

- Assign  $T_2$  as the Nearest Neighbour for  $T_3$  at  $w = 3$

- Since  $DTW_3(T_2, T_3) = 1.614 < DTW_3(T_1, T_2) = 6.243$ , Update  $T_3$  as the Nearest Neighbour for  $T_2$  at  $w = 3$

12. Repeat the algorithm for all windows,  $w \in \{2, \dots, 0\}$

$w = 3$  is not valid,  
recompute DTW if  
necessary

# FastWWS Example

Reference:  $NN_w^{T_s}$  (window validity,  $d_{NN}$ )

<b>w</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>...</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
$T_1$	$T_3(0, 4.911)$	$T_3(1, 3.486)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	...	$T_3(2, 3.326)$	$T_3(2, 3.326)$
$T_2$	$T_4(0, 1.658)$	$T_4(1, 0.632)$	$T_4(2, 0.620)$	$T_4(3, 0.599)$	$T_4(3, 0.599)$	$T_4(3, 0.599)$	...	$T_4(3, 0.599)$	$T_4(3, 0.599)$
$T_3$	$T_2(0, 4.395)$	$T_2(1, 2.598)$	$T_2(2, 1.882)$	$T_2(3, 1.614)$	$T_2(4, 1.612)$	$T_2(4, 1.612)$	...	$T_2(4, 1.612)$	$T_2(4, 1.612)$
$T_4$	$T_2(0, 1.658)$	$T_2(1, 0.632)$	$T_2(2, 0.620)$	$T_2(3, 0.599)$	$T_2(3, 0.599)$	$T_2(3, 0.599)$	...	$T_2(3, 0.599)$	$T_2(3, 0.599)$

13. Continue adding  $T_4$  to  $T'$  and repeat previous steps until  $T' = T = \{T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4\}$

# FastWWS Example

w	0	1	2	3	4	5	...	22	23
$T_1$	$T_3$	$T_3$	$T_3$	$T_3$	$T_3$	$T_3$	...	$T_3$	$T_3$
$T_2$	$T_4$	$T_4$	$T_4$	$T_4$	$T_4$	$T_4$	...	$T_4$	$T_4$
$T_3$	$T_2$	$T_2$	$T_2$	$T_2$	$T_2$	$T_2$	...	$T_2$	$T_2$
$T_4$	$T_2$	$T_2$	$T_2$	$T_2$	$T_2$	$T_2$	...	$T_2$	$T_2$
Acc	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	...	0.75	0.75

14. Classify every instance for each window in one pass of the table
- Yields the best window at  $w = 0$  with LOO-CV accuracy of **0.75**

# Experimental Evaluation

- Evaluate the efficiency of FastWWS

- LOO-CV with NN Search

1. DTW with LB Keogh (Baseline)
2. UCR Suite
3. Pruned DTW with LB Keogh
4. UCR Suite with Pruned DTW

- LOO-CV with FastWWS

- Exhaustive search on all methods

- Average results over 10 runs for different reshuffling of  $T$

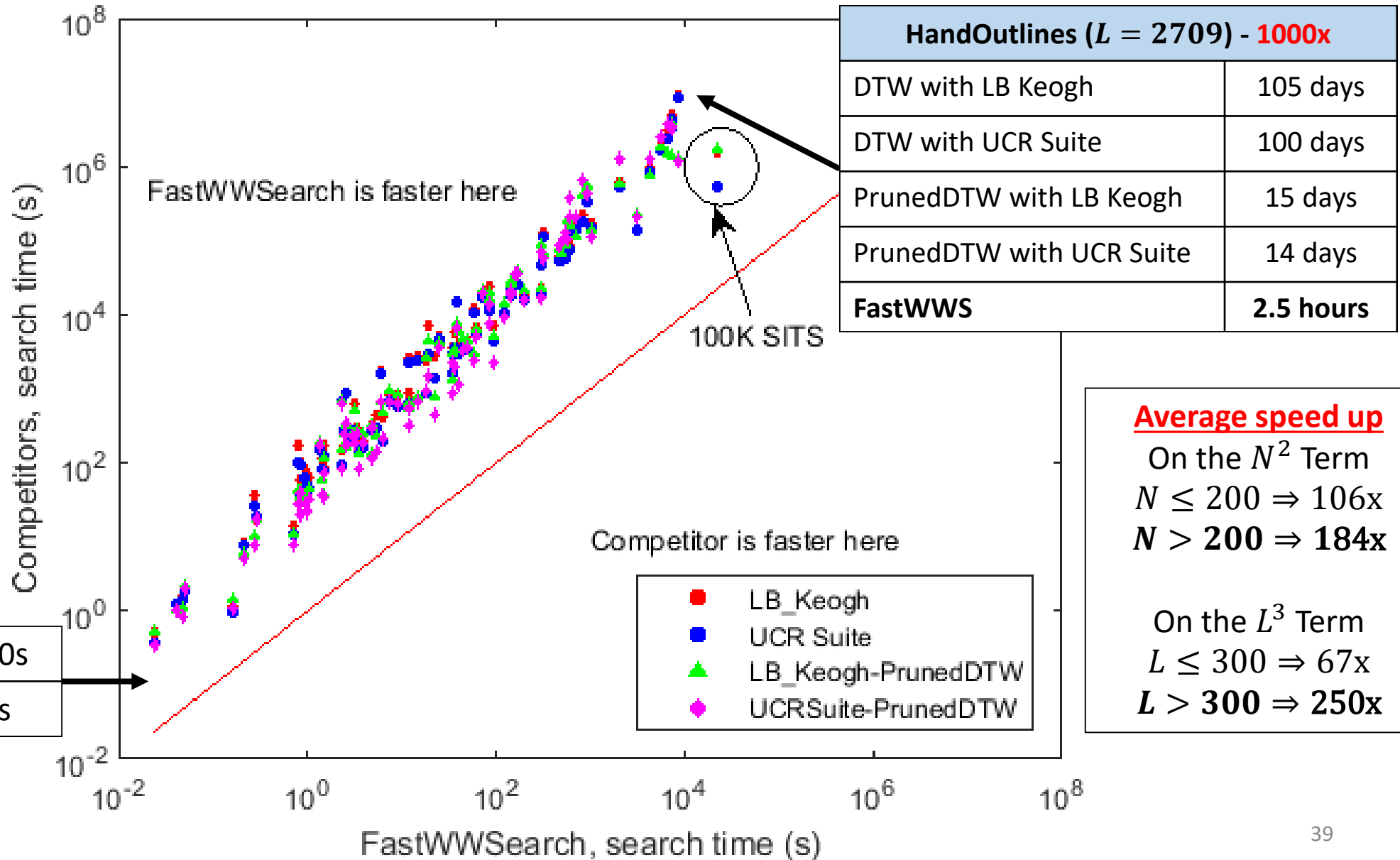
- 85 benchmark time series datasets

```
for w = 0 to L do
  error = 0
  for each s in T do
    nns = nn_search(s, T \ s, w)
    if nns.class ≠ s.class then error++

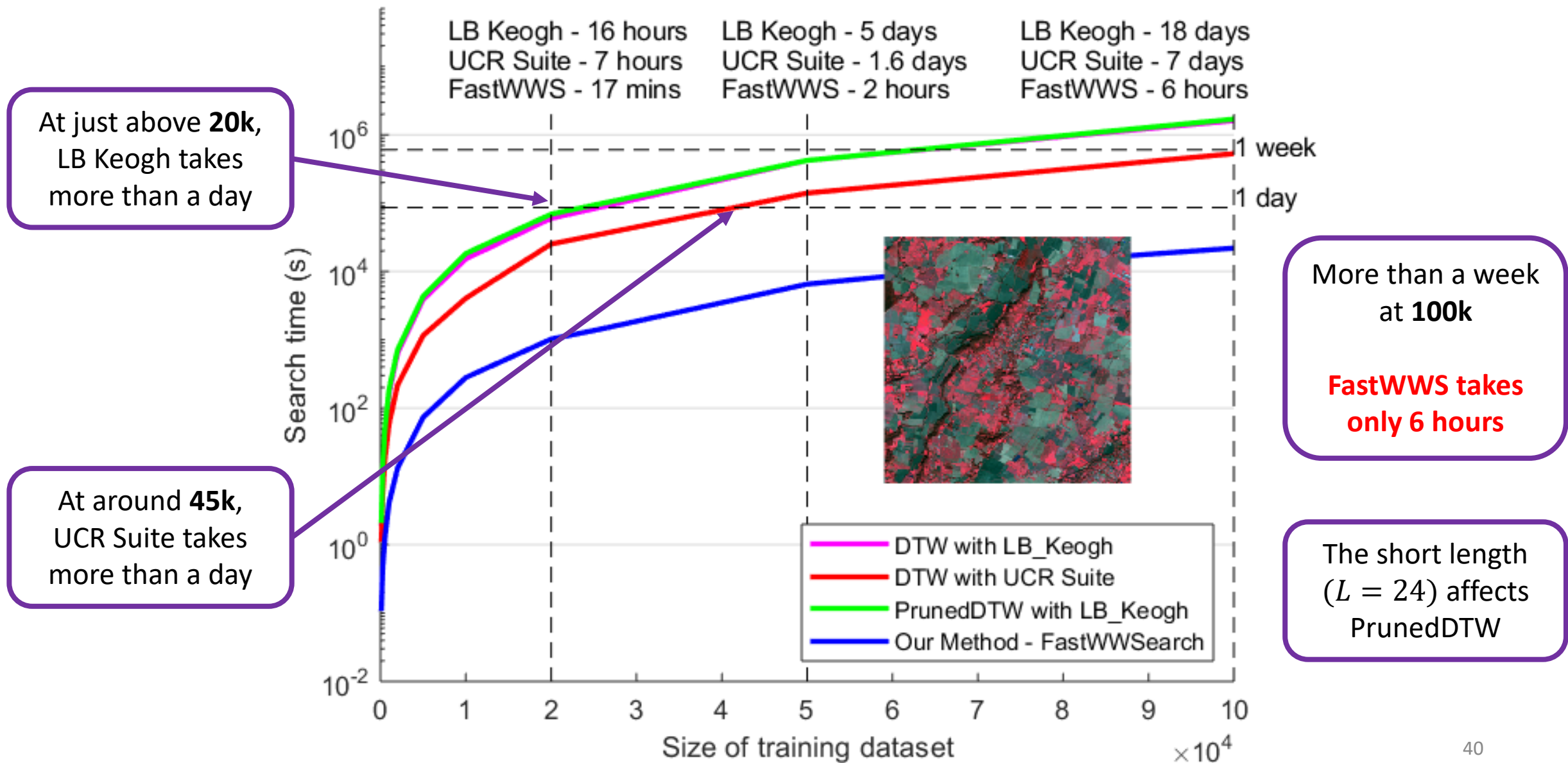
  if error < bestError then
    bestWW = w
    bestError = error
```

[http://www.cs.ucr.edu/~eamonn/time\\_series\\_data/](http://www.cs.ucr.edu/~eamonn/time_series_data/)

# FastWWS is **FASTER** and more **EFFICIENT** than all known methods!

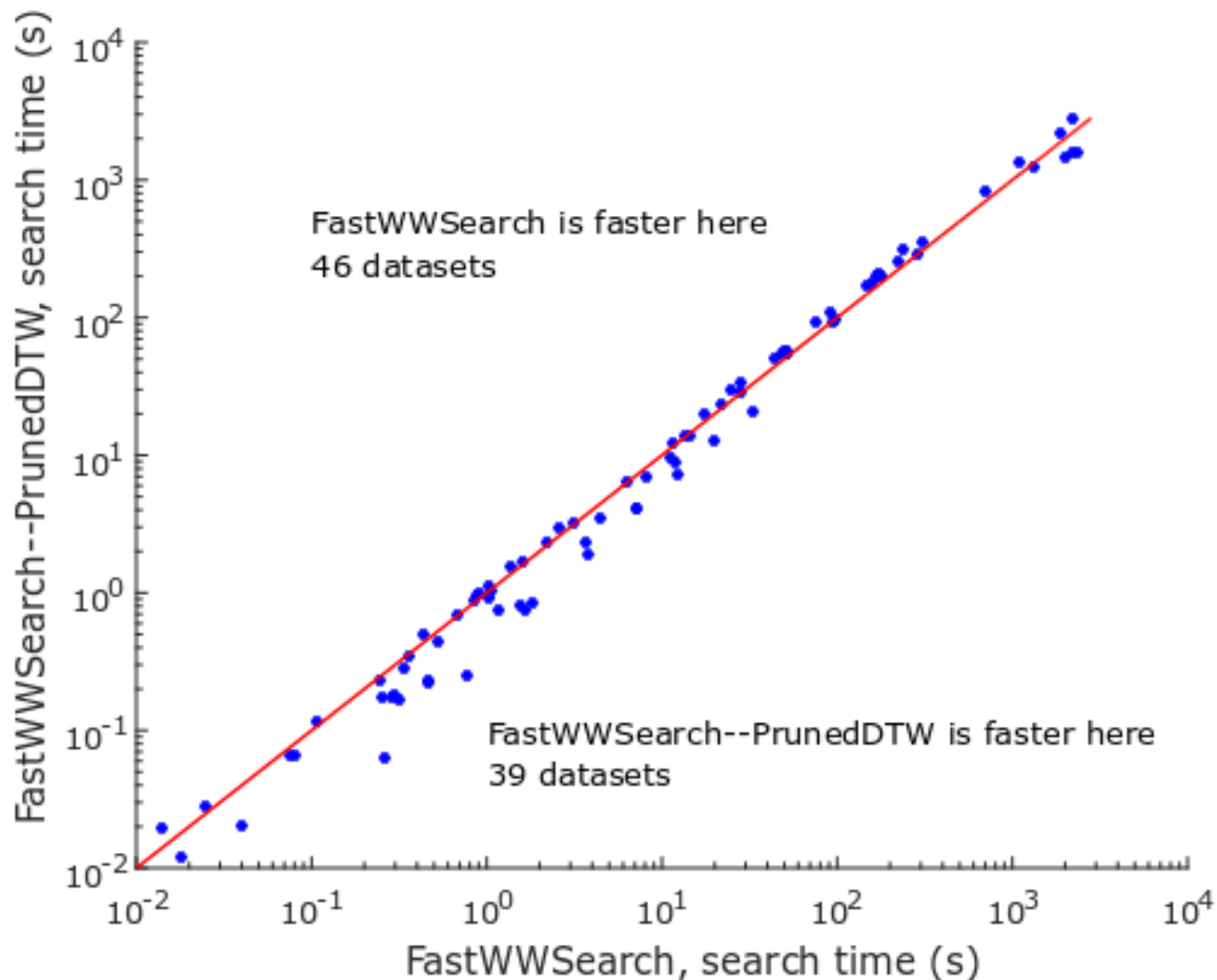


# FastWWS can **SCALE** too!





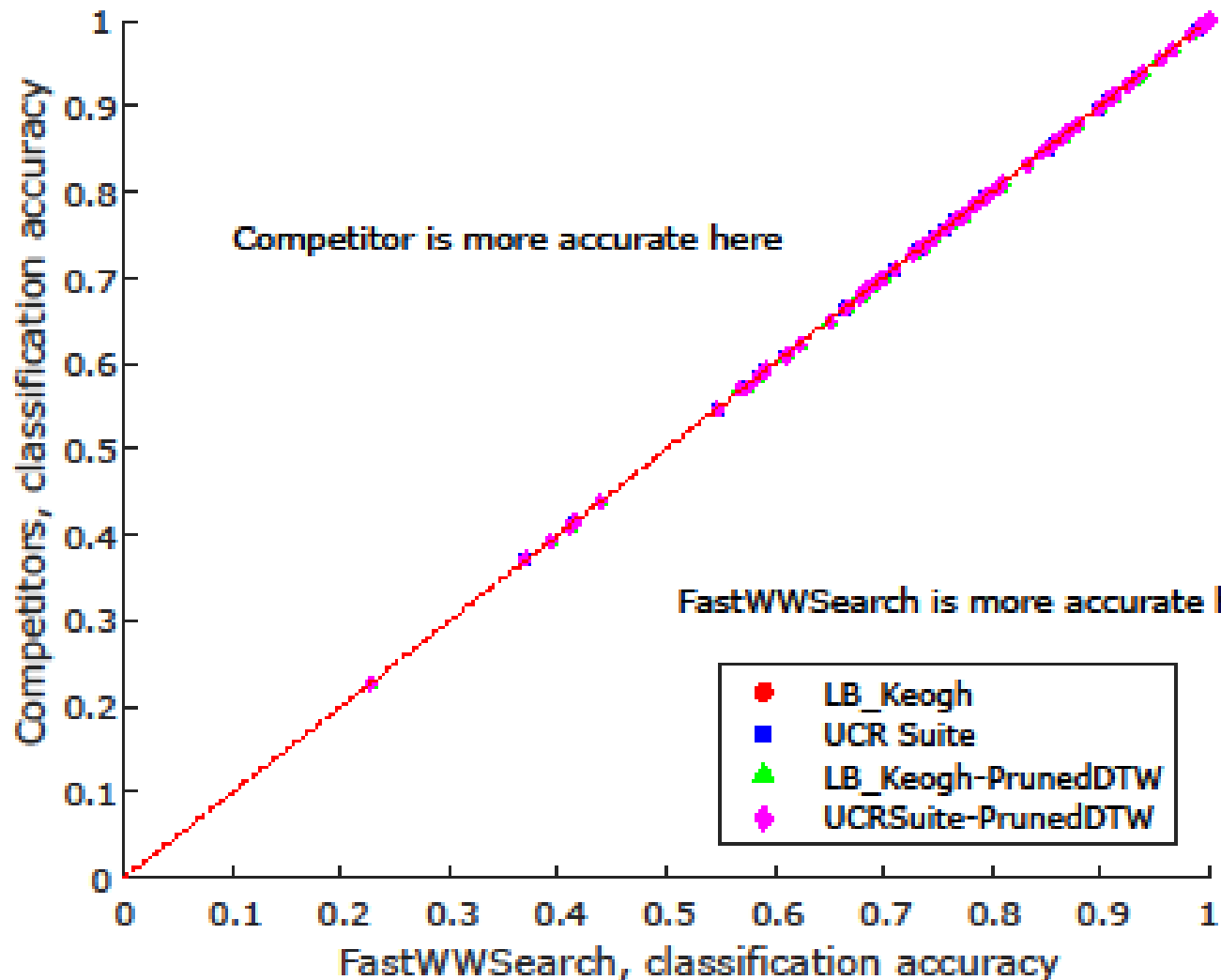
# FastWWS with PrunedDTW



## FastWWS-PrunedDTW

1. Compute Euclidean Distance ( $w = 0$ )
  2. Use it as upper bound to prune DTW at larger window
- Not necessary faster
  - **FastWWS** is faster on 55% of the Benchmark datasets
  - Due to overhead in **PrunedDTW** in checking the upper bounds

# Classification Accuracy



Datasets	Best warping window learnt by the following methods				
	LB_KEOGH	UCR SUITE	LB_KEOGH-PRUNEDDTW	UCR SUITE-PRUNEDDTW	FastWWSearch
	50words	24	24	24	24
Adiac	6	6	6	6	6
ArrowHead	0	0	0	0	0
Beef	0	0	0	0	0
BeetleFly	36	36	36	36	36
BirdChicken	33	33	33	33	33
CBF	14	14	14	14	14
Car	9	9	9	9	9
ChlorineConcentration	0	0	0	0	0
CinC_ECG_torso	10	10	10	10	10
Coffee	0	0	0	0	0
Computers	74	74	74	74	74
Cricket_X	31	31	31	31	31
Cricket_Y	47	47	47	47	47
Cricket_Z	15	15	15	15	15
DiatomSizeReduction	0	0	0	0	0
DistalPhalanxOutlineAgeGroup	1	1	1	1	1
DistalPhalanxOutlineCorrect	2	2	2	2	2
DistalPhalanxTW	0	0	0	0	0
ECG200	0	0	0	0	0
ECG5000	1	1	1	1	1
ECGFiveDays	0	0	0	0	0
Earthquakes	17	17	17	17	17
ElectricDevices	13	13	13	13	13
FISH	19	19	19	19	19
FaceAll	4	4	4	4	4
FaceFour	6	6	6	6	6
FacesUCR	16	16	16	16	16
FordA	2	2	2	2	2
FordB	6	6	6	6	6

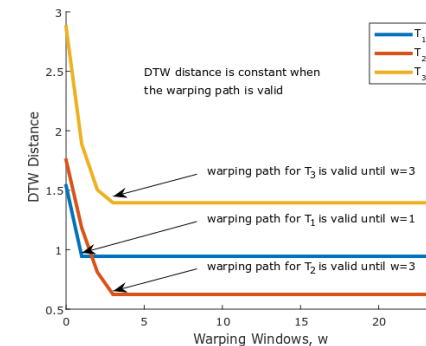
Accuracy should be the same as the window found is the same and **FastWWS** is **EXACT**

# Conclusions

- A novel and exact algorithm to speedup the search for the best parameter (warping window) for DTW
  - **FastWWS** is more **EFFICIENT** and **FASTER**
  - **FastWWS** can **SCALE**
- Our results, datasets and source code are online at
  - <https://bit.ly/SDM18>
  - <https://github.com/ChangWeiTan/FastWWSearch>
  - Slides: <http://changweitan.com/research/SDM18-slides.pdf>

# Future Work

- Search for the best parameter for other TS similarity functions
  - LCSS ( $\delta, \varepsilon$ ), MSM ( $c$ ), ERP ( $g, \lambda$ ) etc.
  - Satisfies the three properties:
    1. Its **distance** stays **valid** for some parameters
    2. Its **distance** is **monotone** with its parameters
    3. Its **lower bound** is **monotone** with its parameters
- Scaling up the State of the Arts in Time Series Classification
  - Elastic Ensembles (EE) [1]
  - Collective of Transformation-Based Ensembles (COTE) [2]



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# Thank you!

## Questions and Answers



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