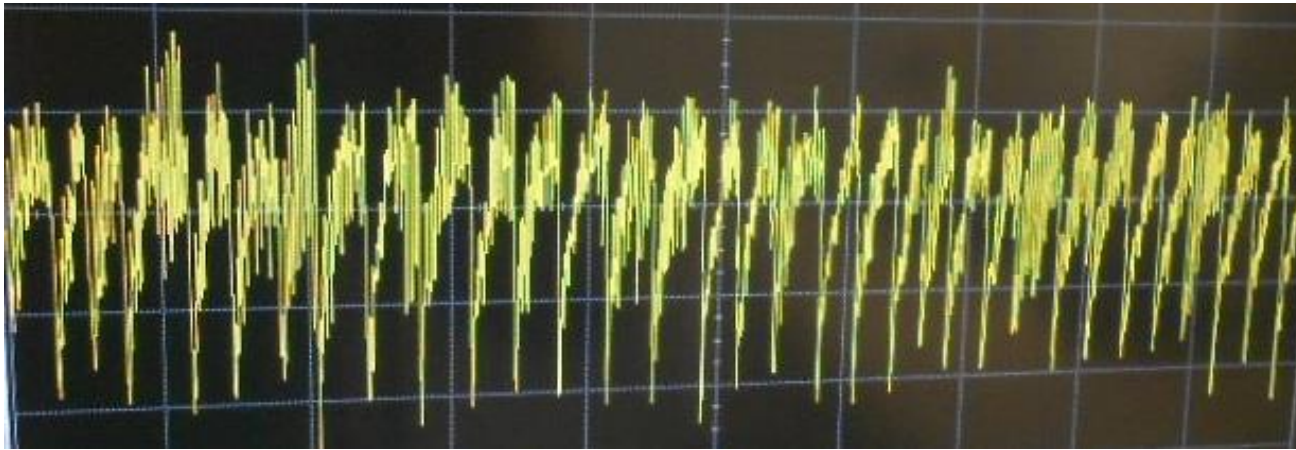




Characterizing optical complexity with tools of nonlinear time-series analysis

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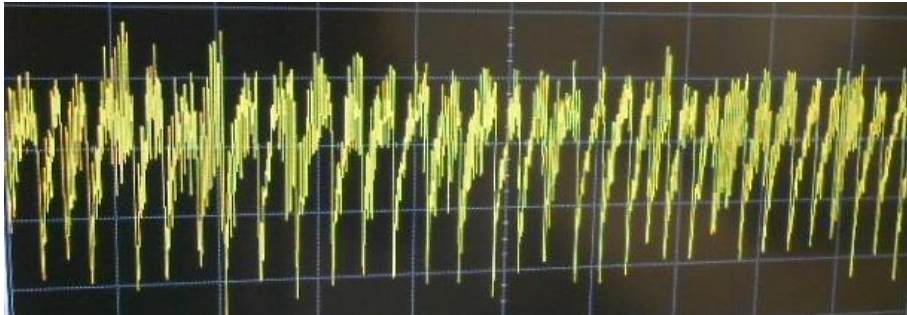
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Dynamical optical complexity

■ Optical spikes

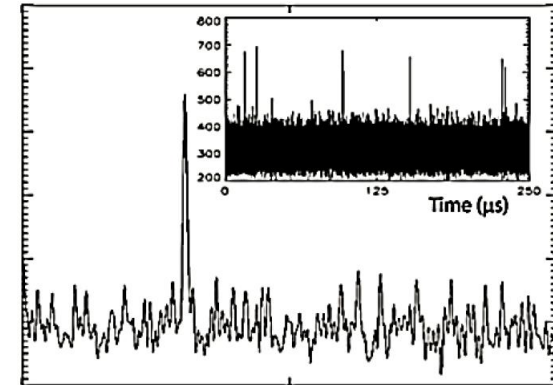
Semiconductor laser with optical feedback



Time

■ Extreme pulses

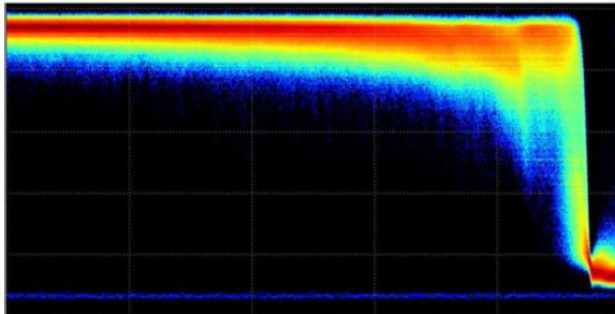
Semiconductor laser with injection



Time

■ Polarization switching

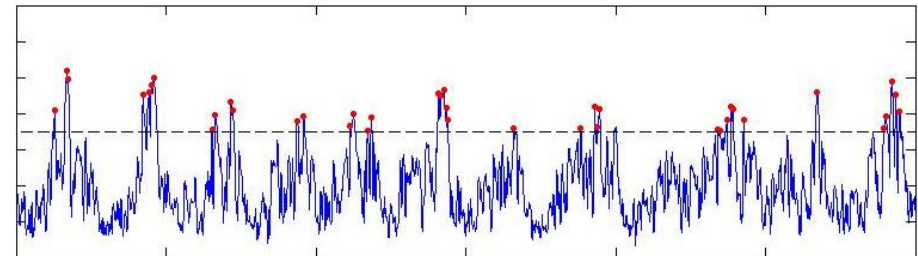
VCSELs



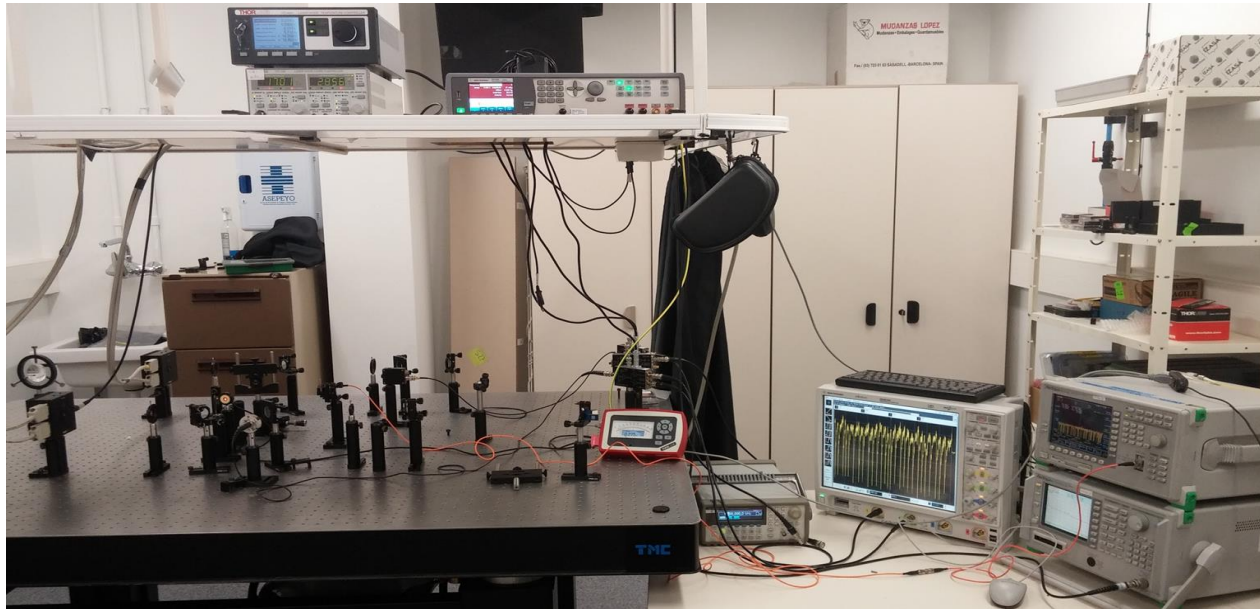
Time

■ Optical turbulence

Fibre laser



Time

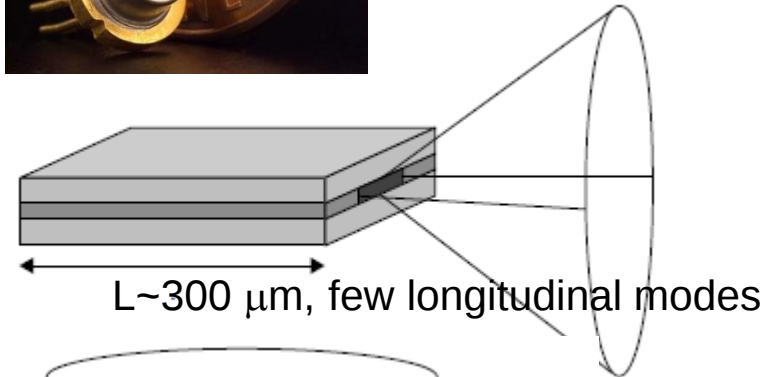


- Optical systems allow recording long time-series under controlled conditions.
- With this “optical big data” we can
 - test novel analysis tools (prediction, control).
 - capture relevant features in the data (classification, model verification, parameter estimation).

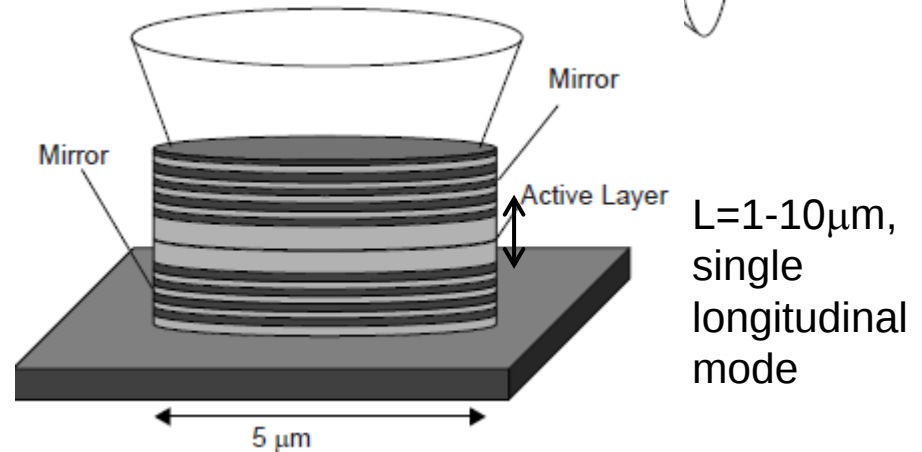
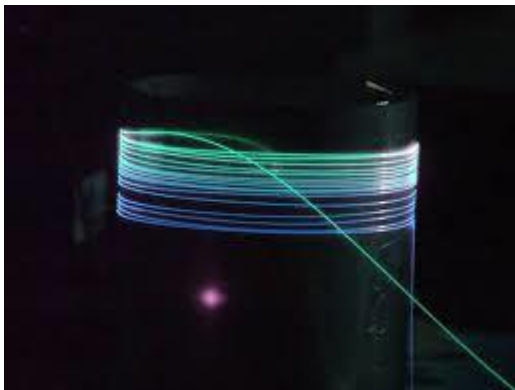
Optical systems: three types of lasers

■ Semiconductor lasers

- Edge-emitting lasers (EELs)
- Vertical-cavity (VCSELs)



■ Fibre laser

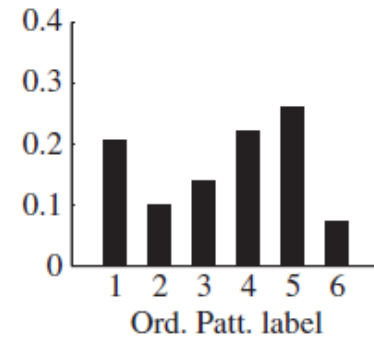


$L = 1 \text{ km}$, millions of longitudinal modes

Method of time-series analysis: ordinal patterns

■ $X = \{\dots X_i, X_{i+1}, X_{i+2}, \dots\}$

Brandt & Pompe, PRL 88, 174102 (2002)



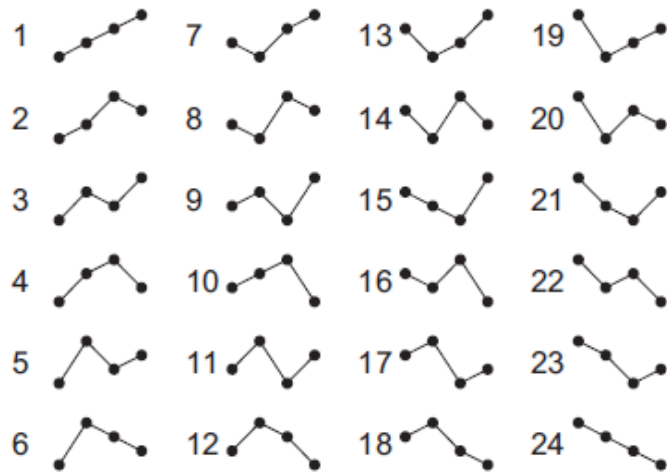
The OP probabilities allow to identify frequent patterns in the *ordering* of the data points

Random data
⇒ OPs are
equally probable

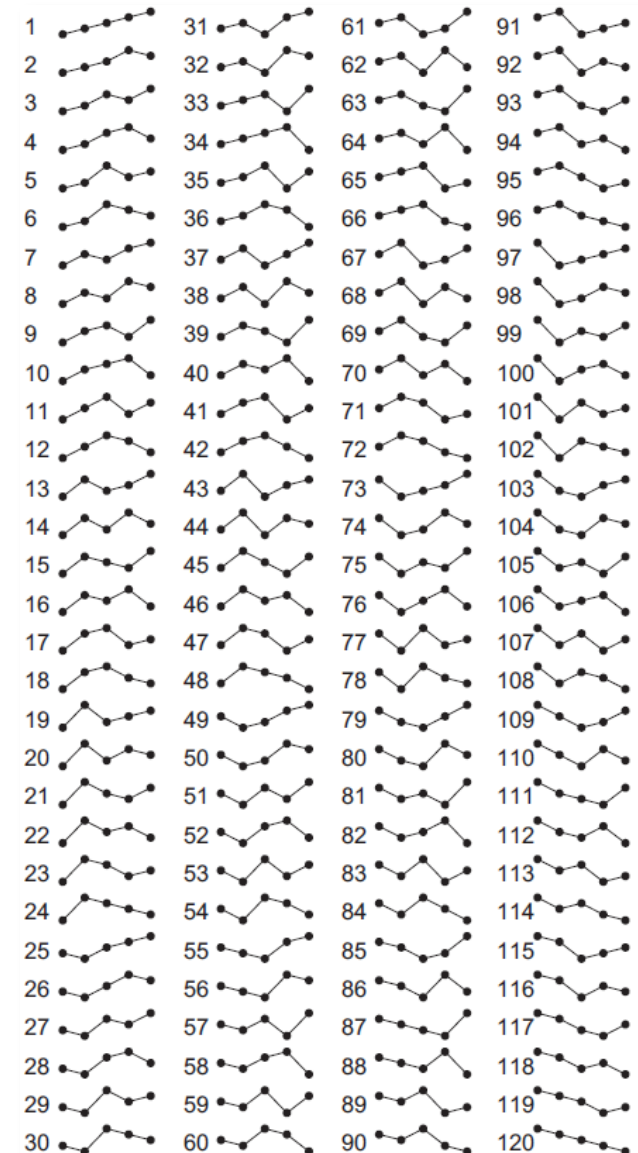
- Advantage: the probabilities uncover temporal correlations.
- Drawback: we lose information about the actual values.

Number of possible ordinal patterns: D!

D=4



D=5

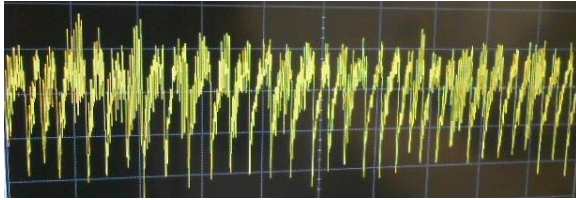


How to select D?

depends on:

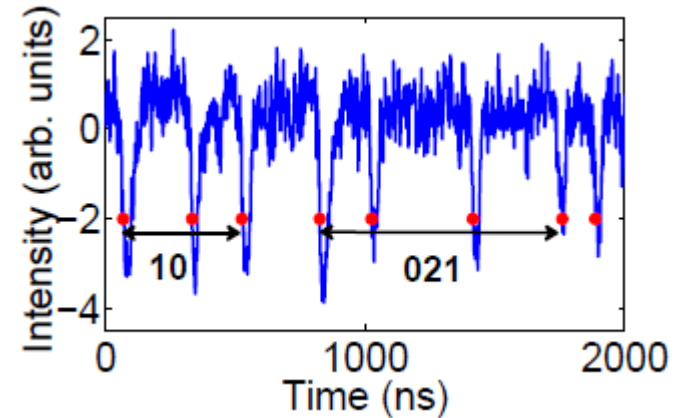
- The length of the data.
- The length of correlations in the data.

First example: optical spikes in EELs with optical feedback

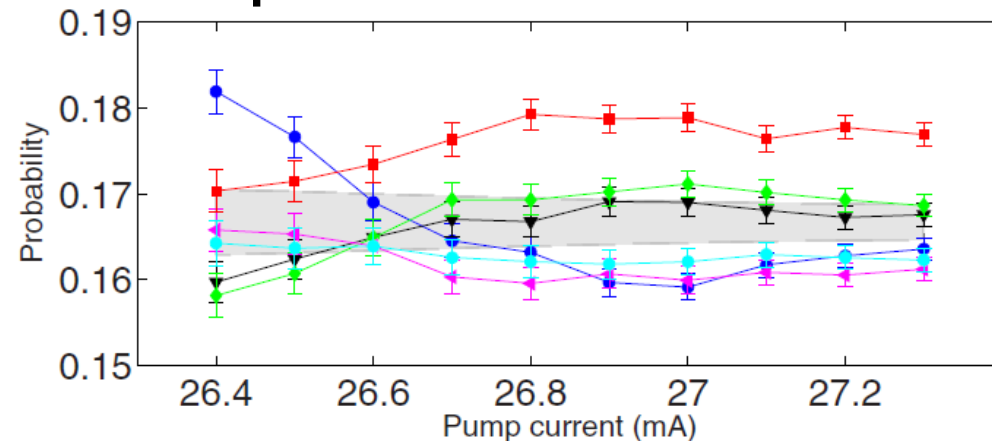


$$X = \{\dots \Delta T_i, \Delta T_{i+1}, \Delta T_{i+2}, \dots\}$$

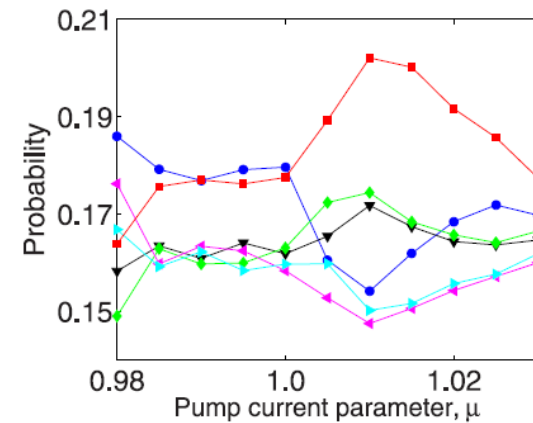
Time intervals between spikes



Empirical data

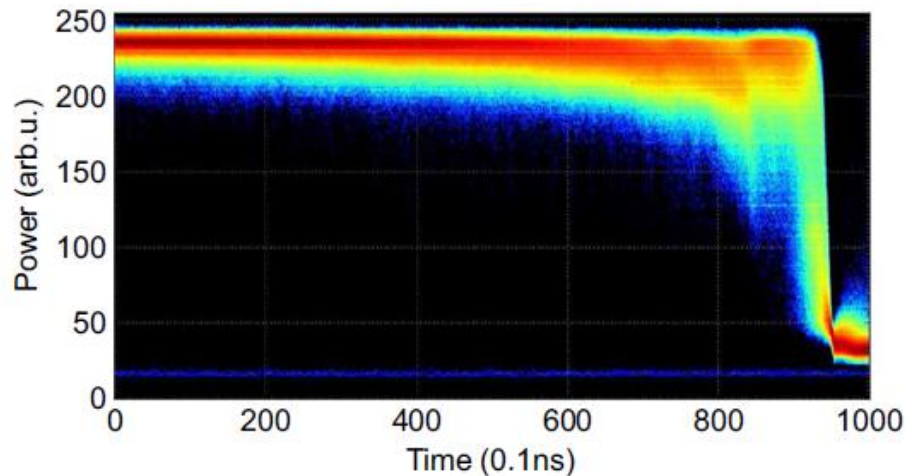


LK Model

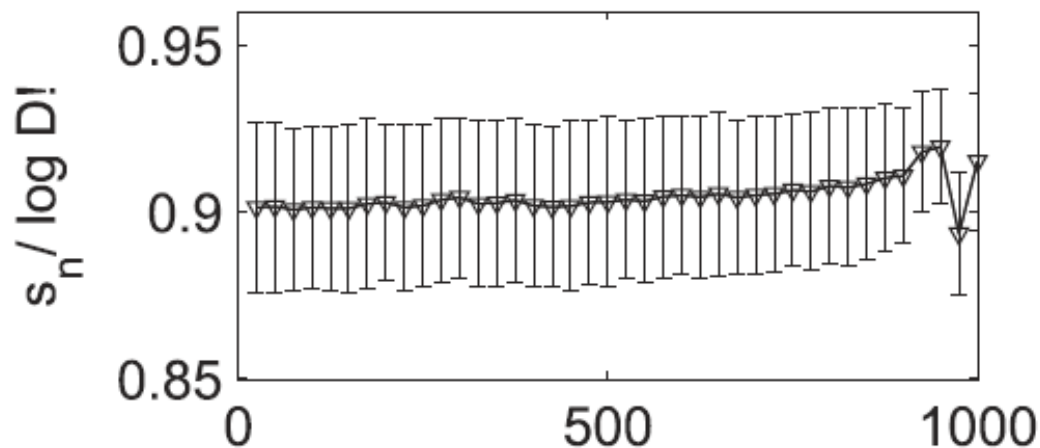


Error bars computed with a binomial test,
gray region is consistent with $p_i = 1/6 \forall i$.

Example 2: early warning of an abrupt transition

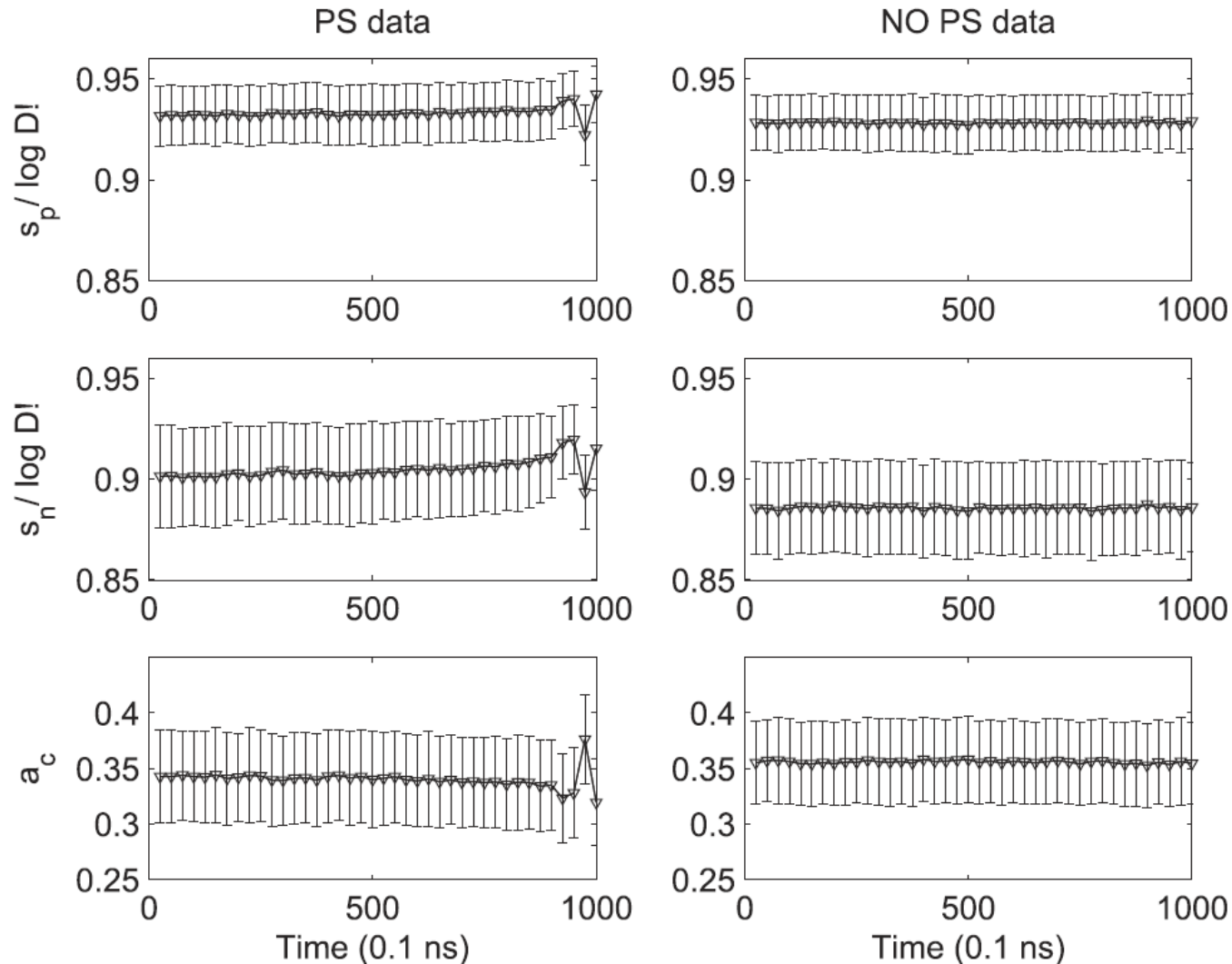


VCSEL polarization-resolved intensity when a control parameter varies (pump current)

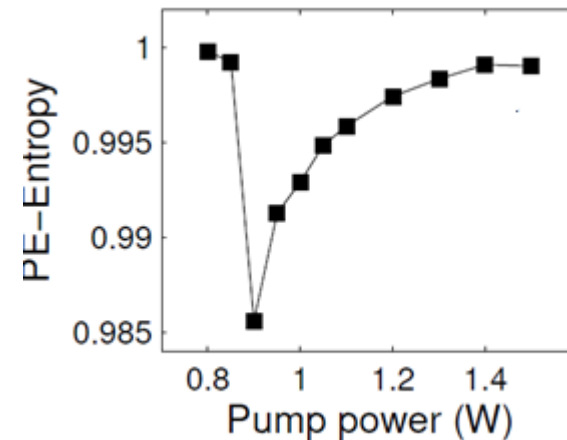
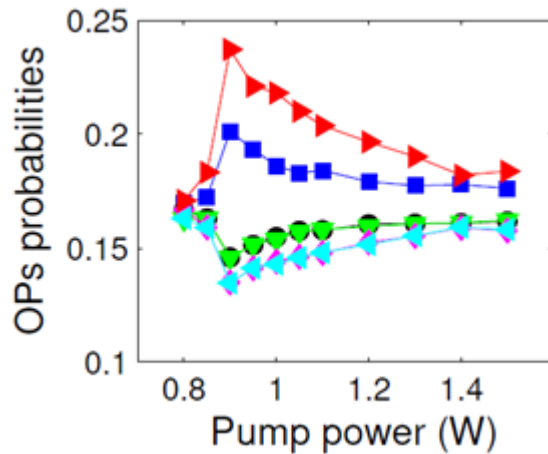
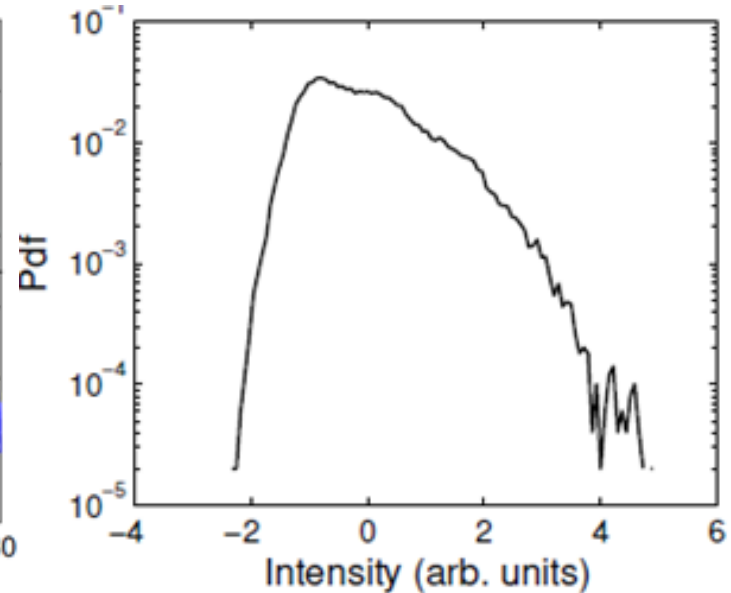
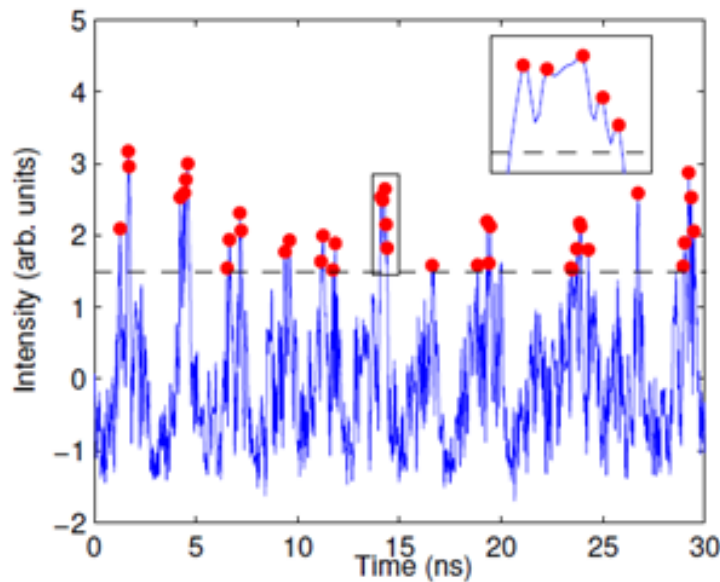


Entropy computed from transition probabilities ('012' → '012', etc.) in a sliding window of 500 data points.

Three early-warning indicators

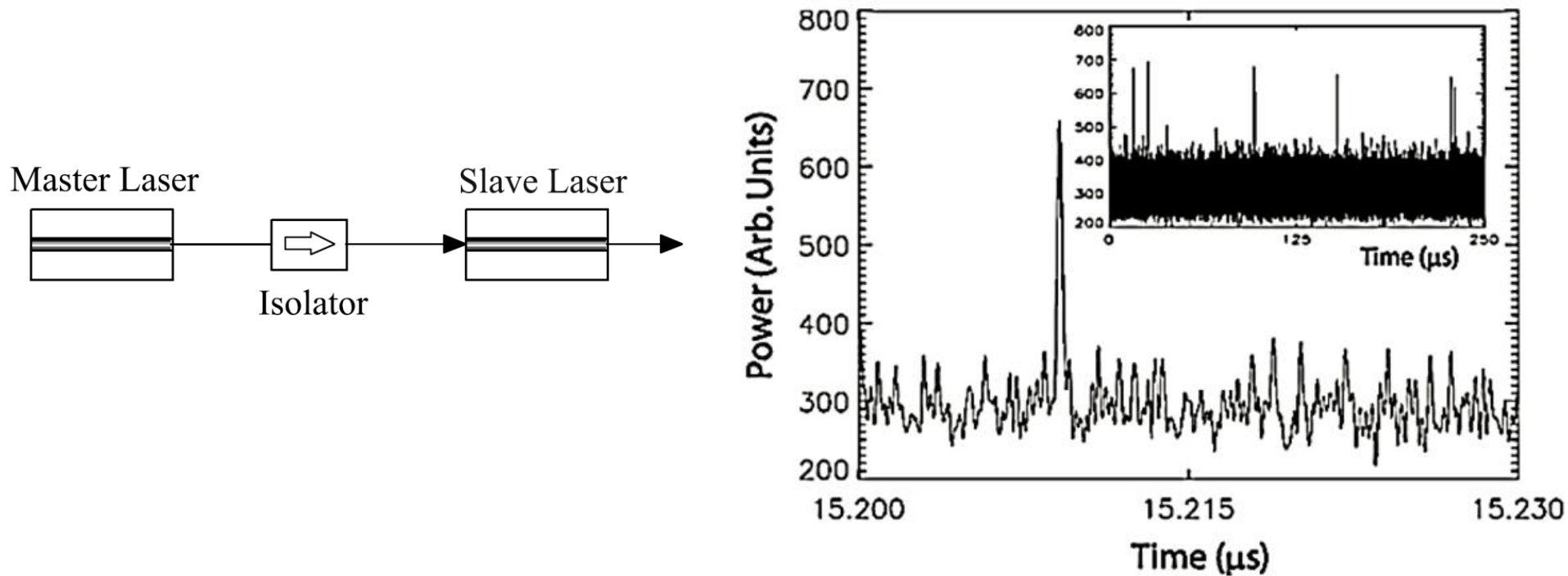


Example 3: laminar– turbulence regime transition in a fiber laser



Example 4: extreme pulses in an injected semiconductor laser

- Optical rogue waves



What is a Rogue Wave?

A “monster wave”, a “freak wave”, an ultra-high wave.

(a) Hokusai's Great Wave



(b) Breaking Wave in the Southern Ocean

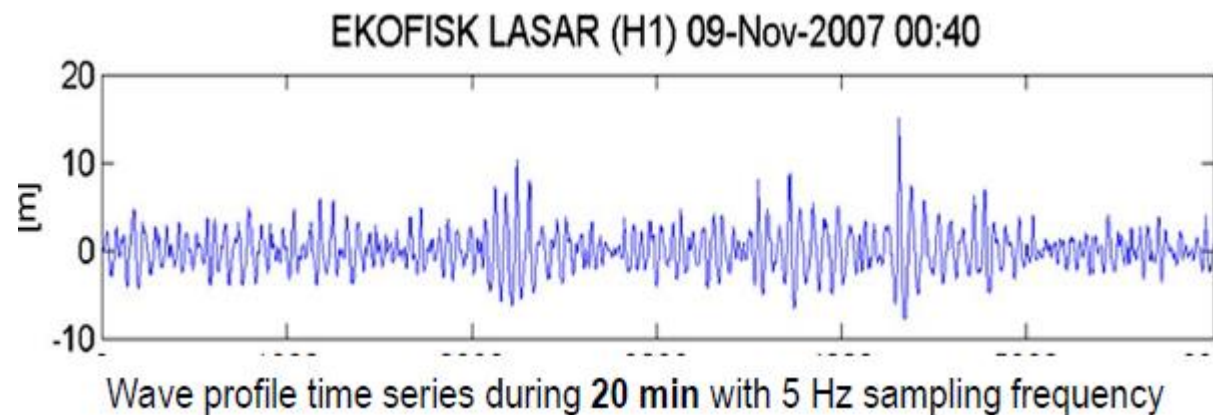
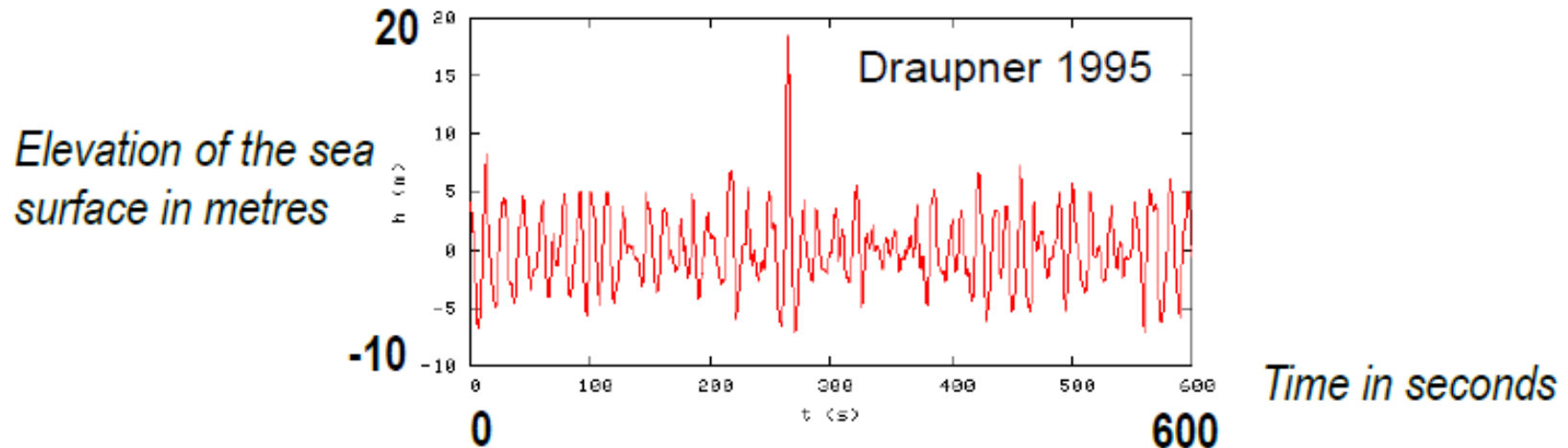


Can develop suddenly even in calm and apparently safe seas.

RWs appear suddenly and vanish without a trace

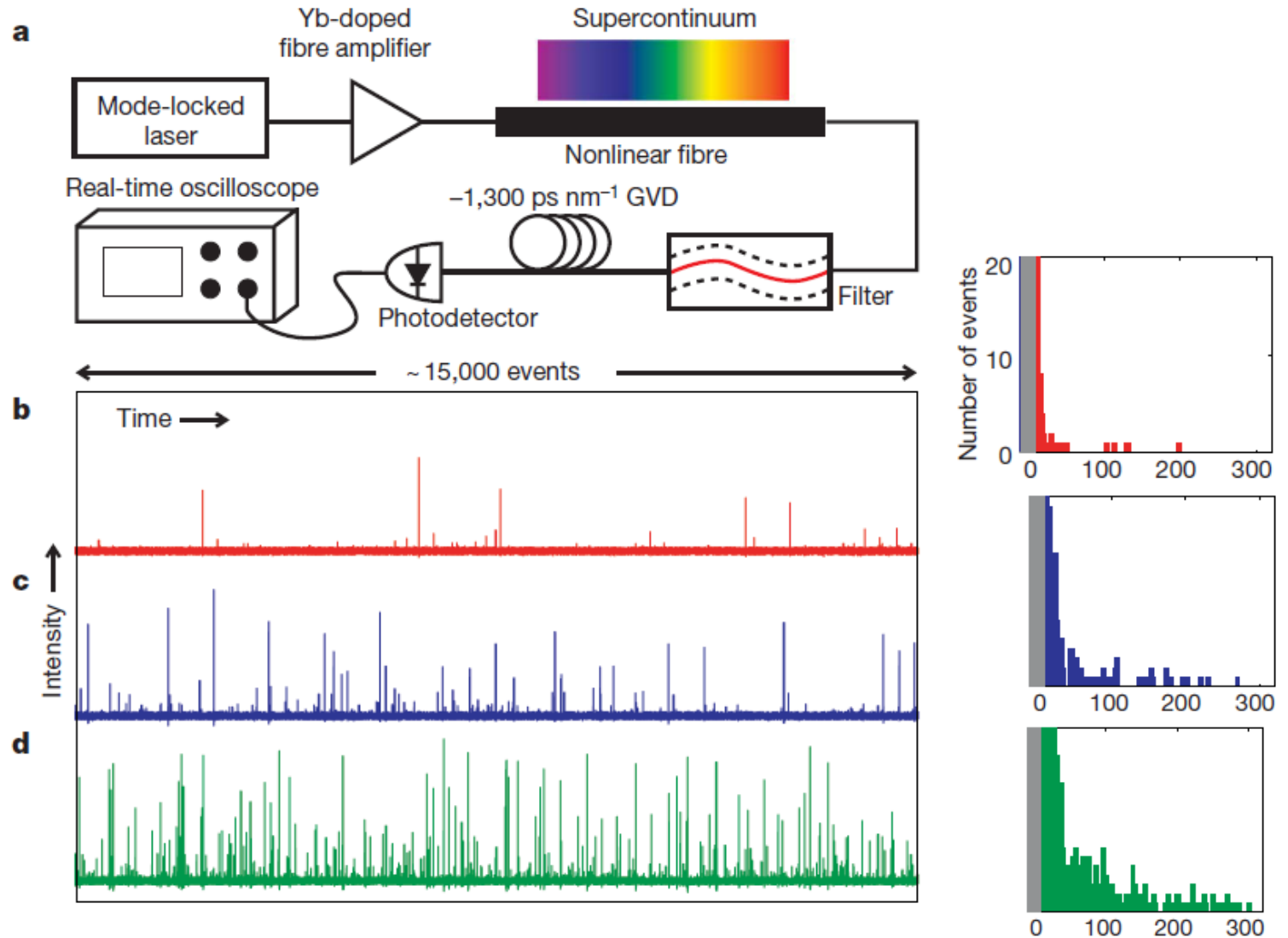


A challenge for boats and also, for the oil and gas industry, for the design of safe off-shore platforms.



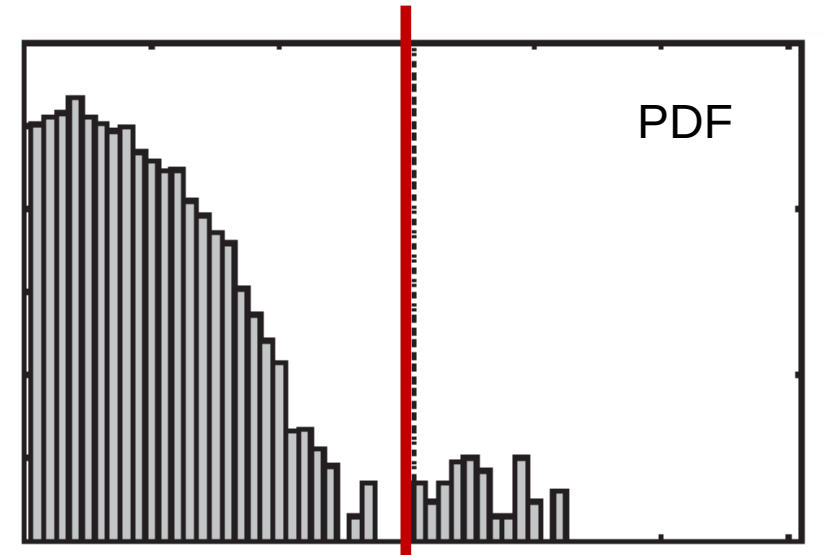
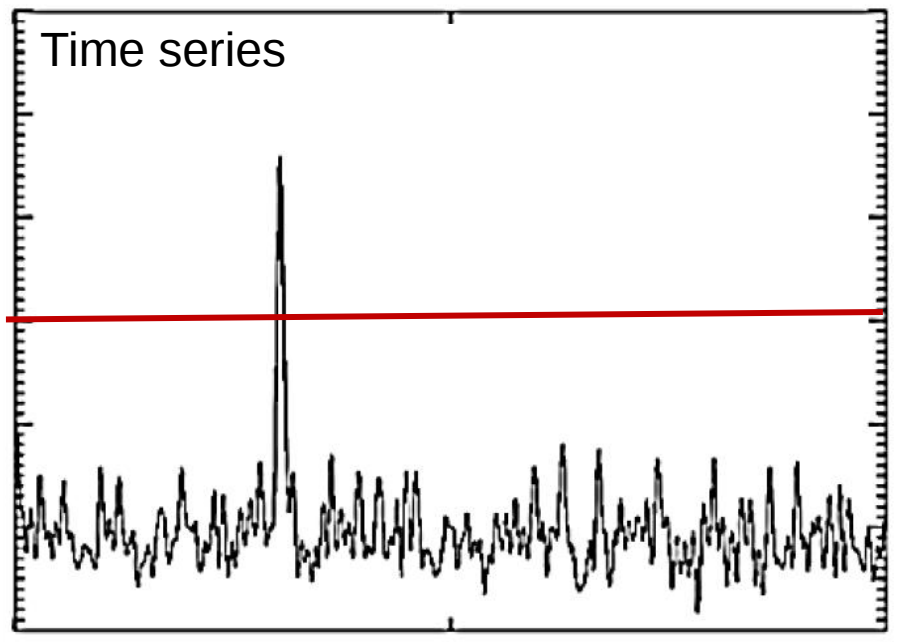
- Since 2003 wave profiles were measured with 4 lasers mounted on a bridge at the oil production site Ekofisk in the North Sea.
- A RW was detected 9/11/2007 during a storm.

Optical RWs: first observation



Injected semiconductor lasers provide a controllable setup for the study of RWs

- RW definition: pulse above a threshold ($\langle H \rangle + 4-8 \sigma$)



What we have learned

- RWs can be **deterministic**, generated by a crisis-like process.
- RWs can be **predicted** with a certain anticipation time.
- RWs can be **controlled** via noise and/or modulation.
 - C. Bonatto et al, *Deterministic optical rogue waves*, PRL 107, 053901 (2011).
 - J. Zamora-Munt et al, *Rogue waves in optically injected lasers: origin, predictability and suppression*, PRA 87, 035802 (2013).
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Governing equations

- Complex field, **E**
- Carrier density, **N**

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{1}{2\tau_p} (1 + i\alpha)(N - 1)E + \underbrace{i\Delta\omega + \sqrt{P_{inj}}}_{\text{optical injection}} + \underbrace{\sqrt{2\beta_{sp} / \tau_N} \xi(t)}_{\text{spontaneous emission noise}}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{1}{\tau_N} (\mu - N - N|E|^2)}_{\text{Solitary laser parameters: } \alpha, \tau_p, \tau_N, \mu}$$

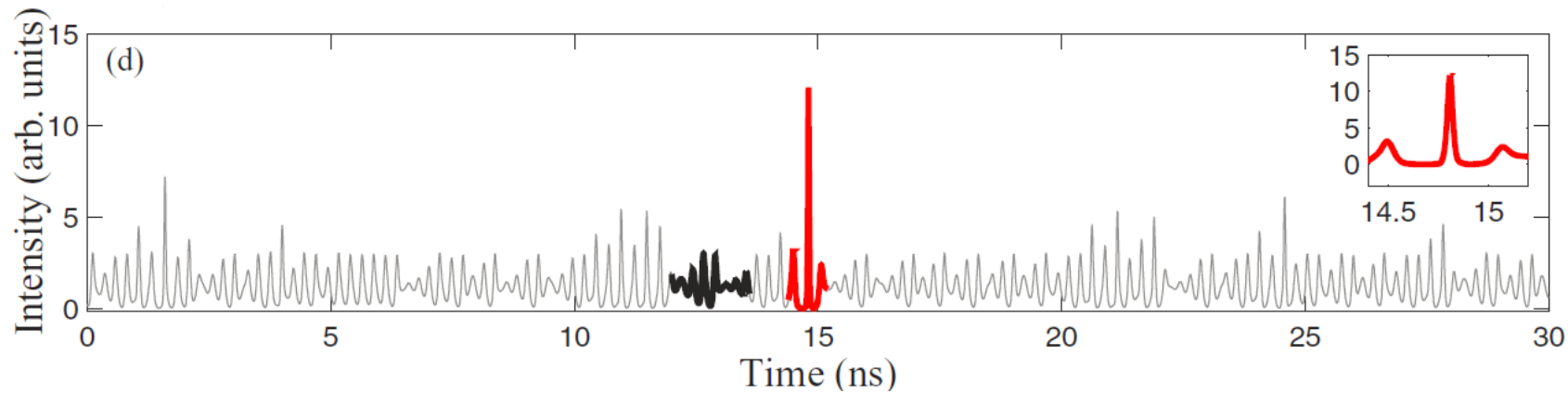
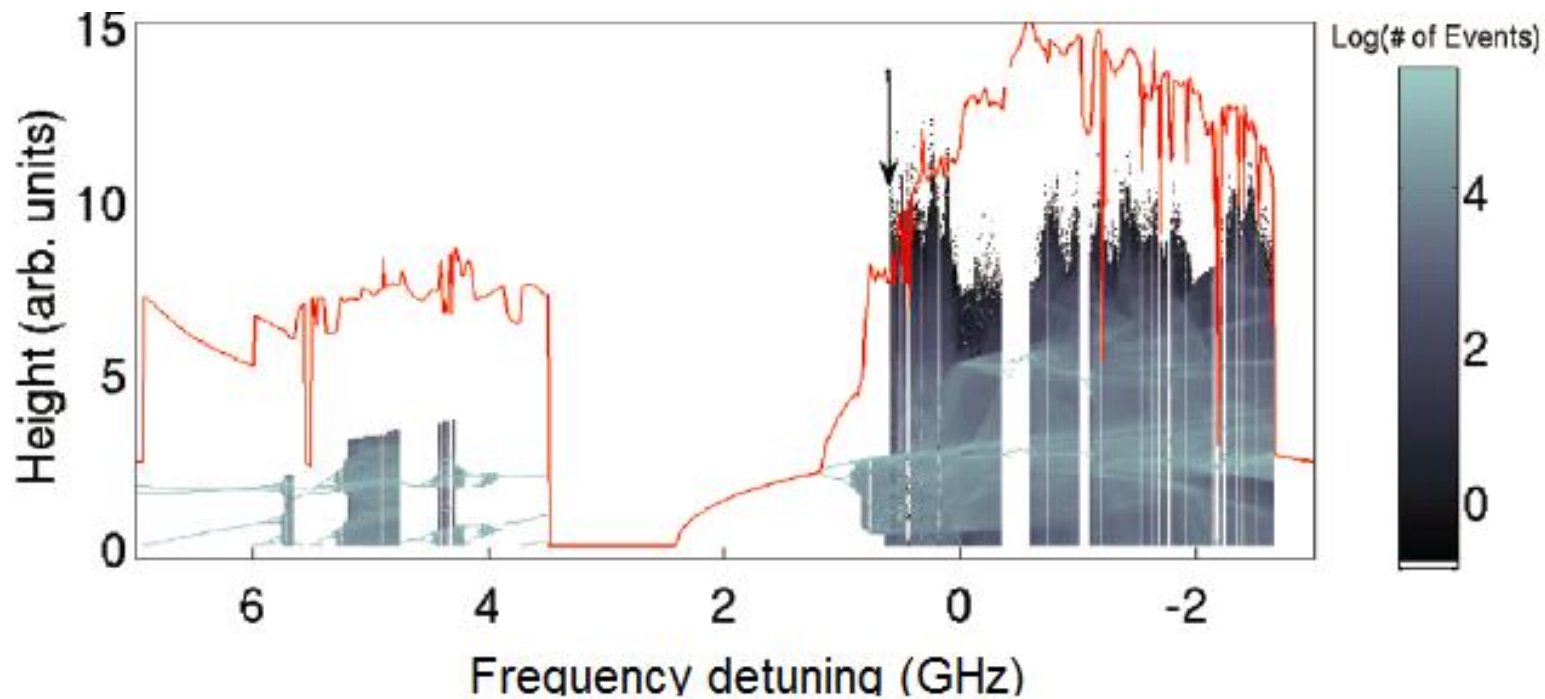
η : injection strength
 $\Delta\omega = \omega_s - \omega_m$: detuning

Typical parameter values:

$$\alpha = 3, \tau_p = 1 \text{ ps}, \tau_N = 1 \text{ ns}$$

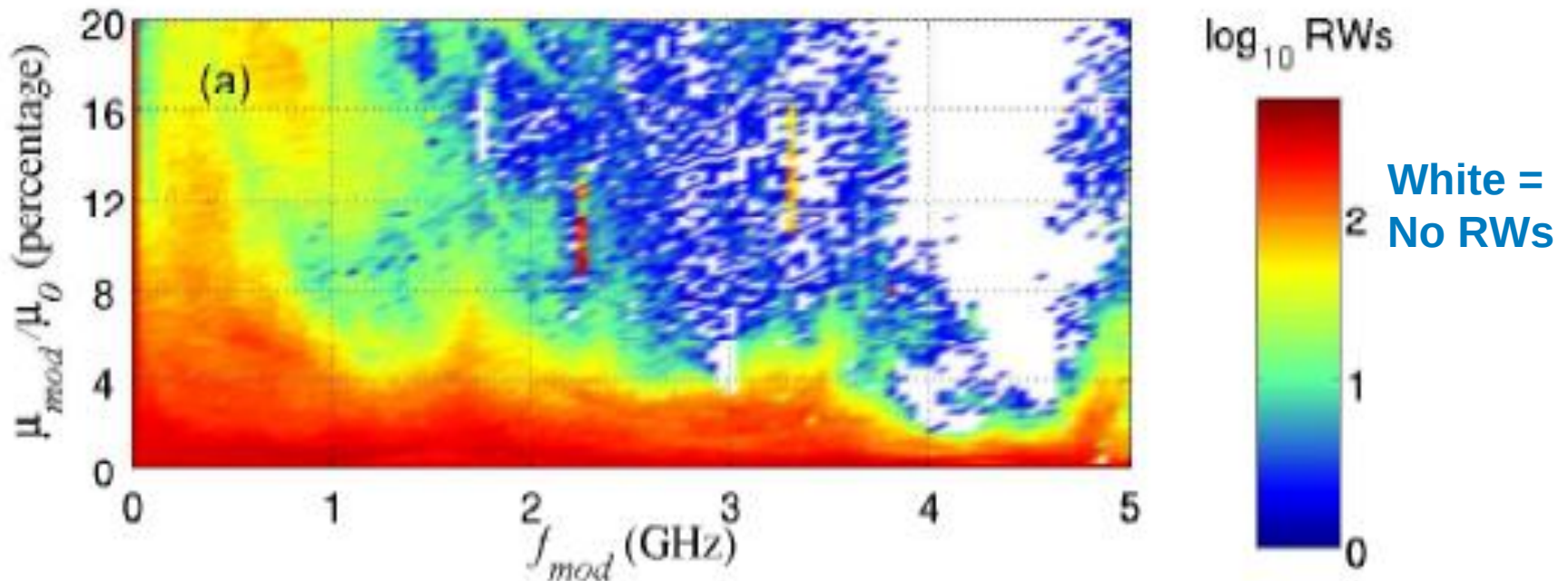
μ : normalized pump current parameter

Threshold: $\langle H \rangle + 8\sigma$



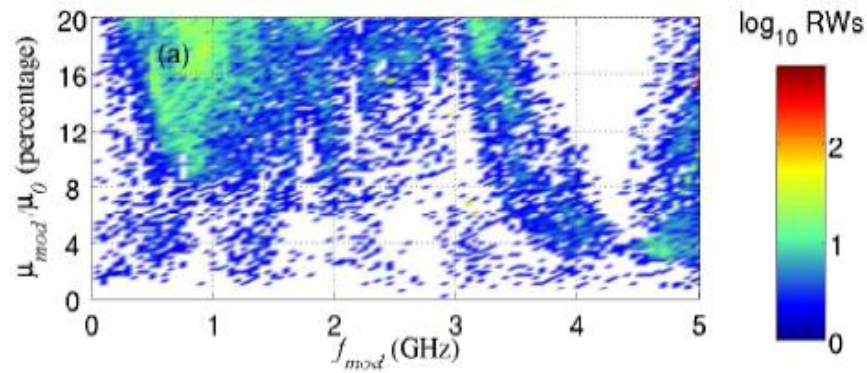
RWs can be suppressed by periodic modulation

$$\mu = \mu_0 + \mu_{\text{mod}} \sin(2\pi f_{\text{mod}} t)$$

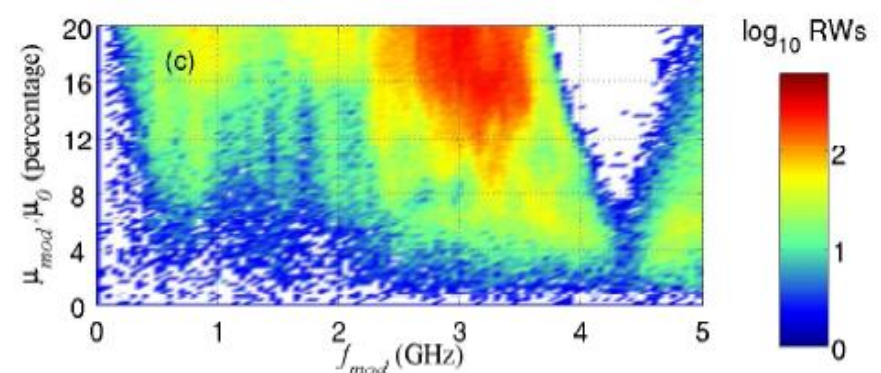


RWs can be induced by the combined influence of noise and modulation

$$\beta_{sp}=0$$



$$\beta_{sp}=0.01$$



White = No RWs

“safe” parameter region is robust to noise

Take home message and present work

- Take home message:

When observing complex output signals, nonlinear analysis tools might capture hidden features in the data.

- Present work:

- characterizing the performance of these analysis tools for anticipating i) extreme pulses (identifying precursors) and ii) abrupt transitions (false positives and false negatives).
- applying nonlinear tools to 2D optical biomedical images (H2020 BE-OPTICAL).



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