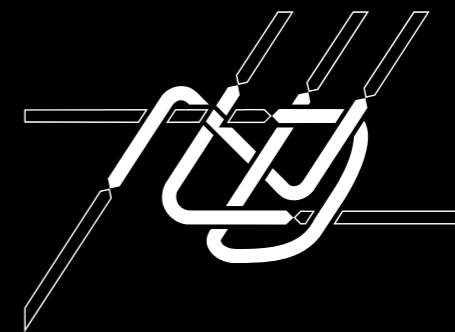
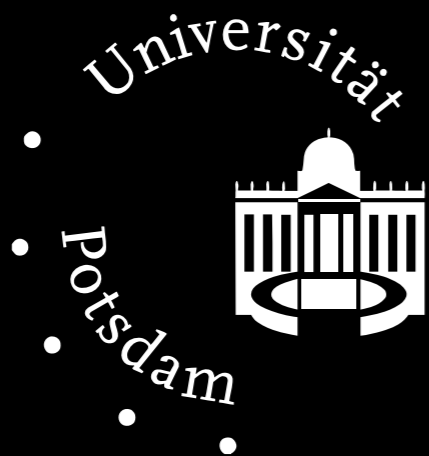


# Recurrence Plots for Spatial Data

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# Outline

- Introduction
- Recurrence plots & quantification
- Spatial extension
- Application
- Conclusions

# **Introduction**

# Bone Loss in Space

- bone loss in space: 1.5% per month
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> important problem after radiation
- **monitoring bone alterations during space flights**



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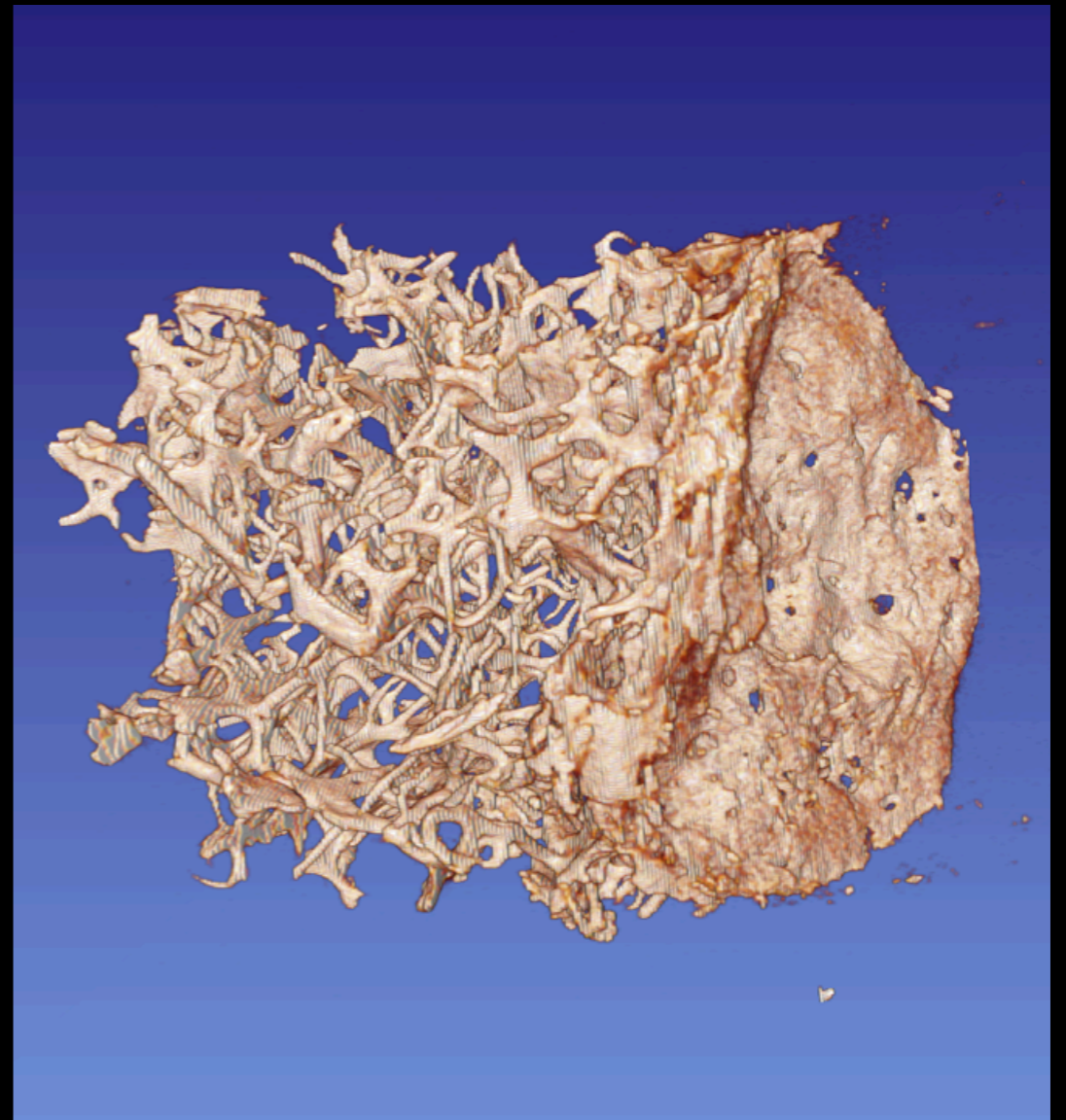
# Trabecular Bone Structure

- plays important role for bone strength
- changes during development of osteoporosis or in micro-gravity



# Purpose of this Study

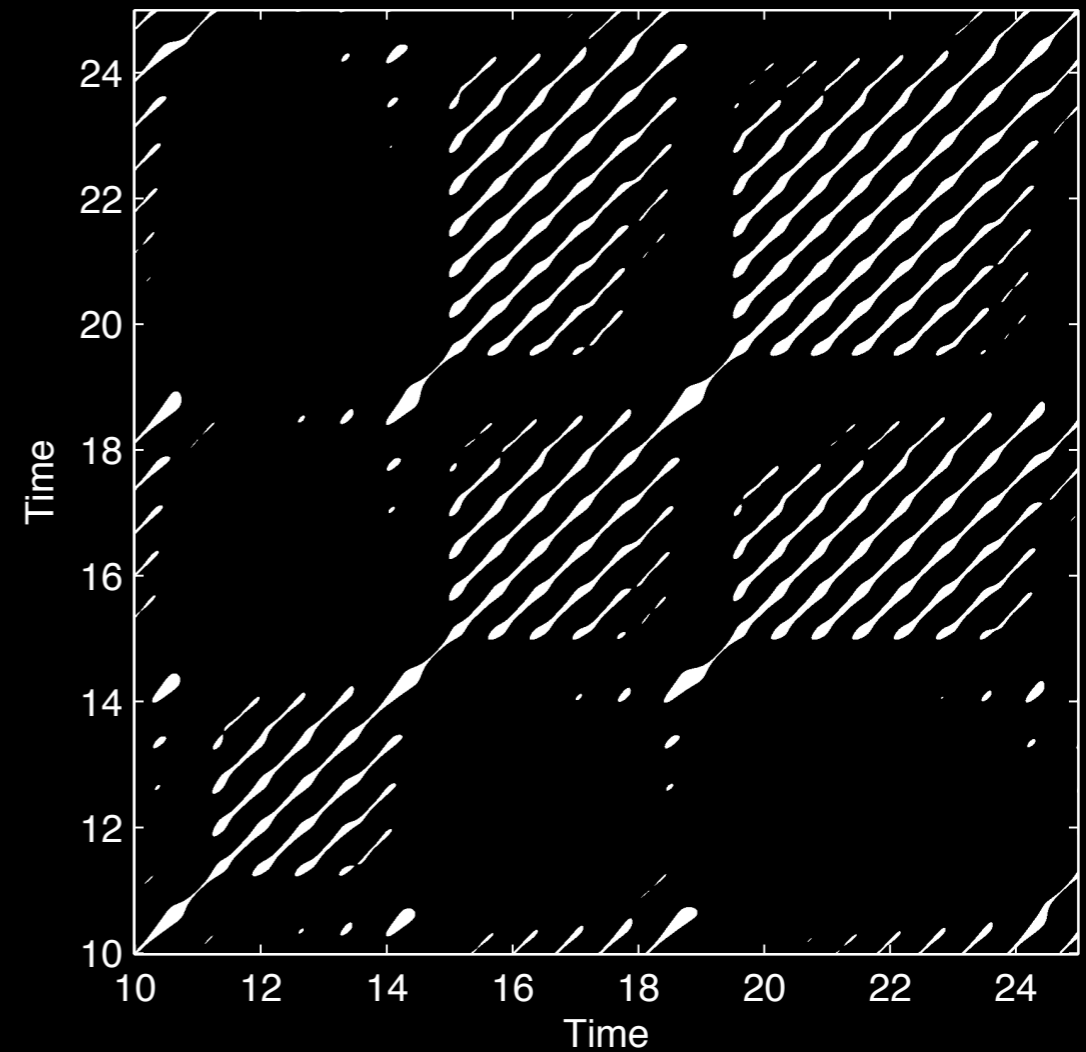
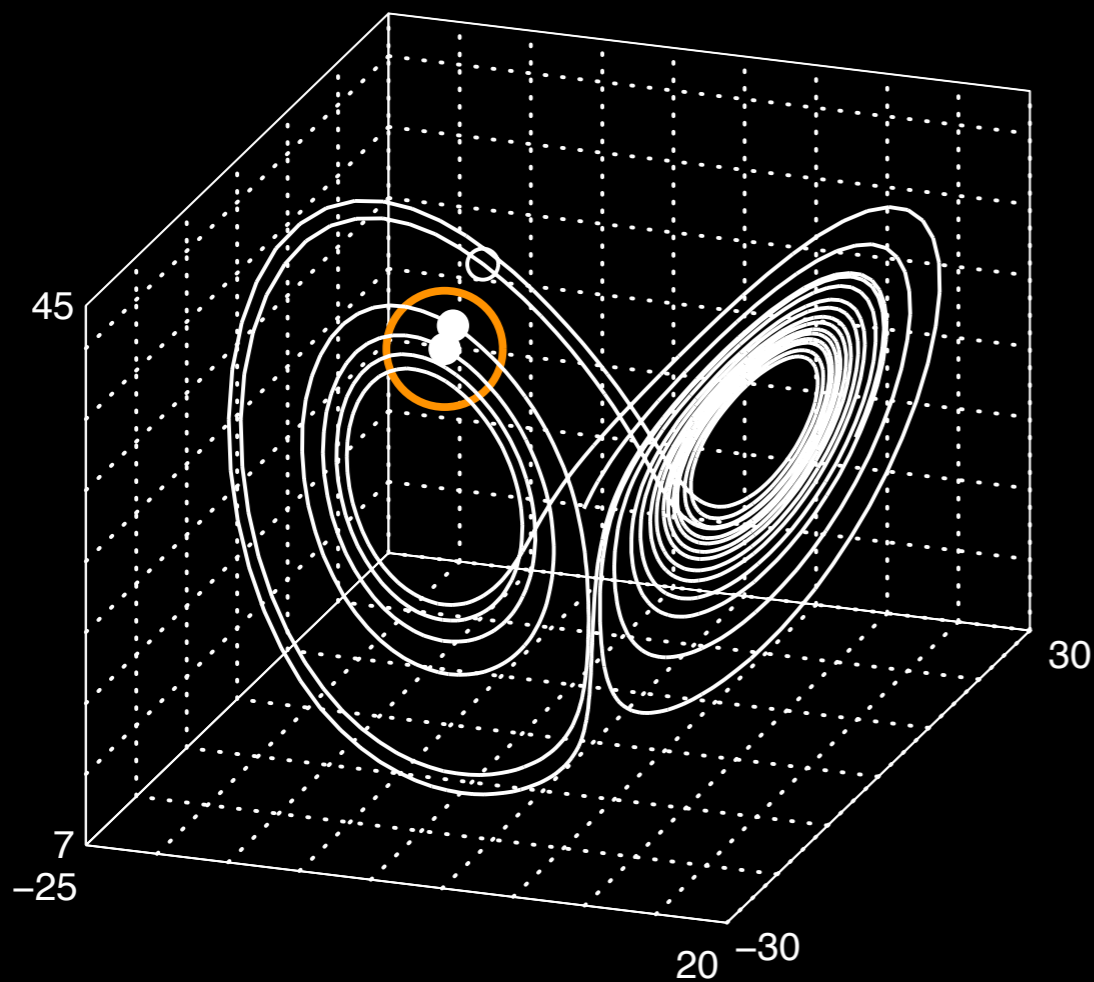
- define measures of complexity for 3D
- quantification of micro-architecture of trabecular bone (3D  $\mu$ CT)
- osteoporosis used as a model for bone loss in micro-gravity



# Recurrence Plots

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- visualisation of phase space (Eckmann et al, 1987)

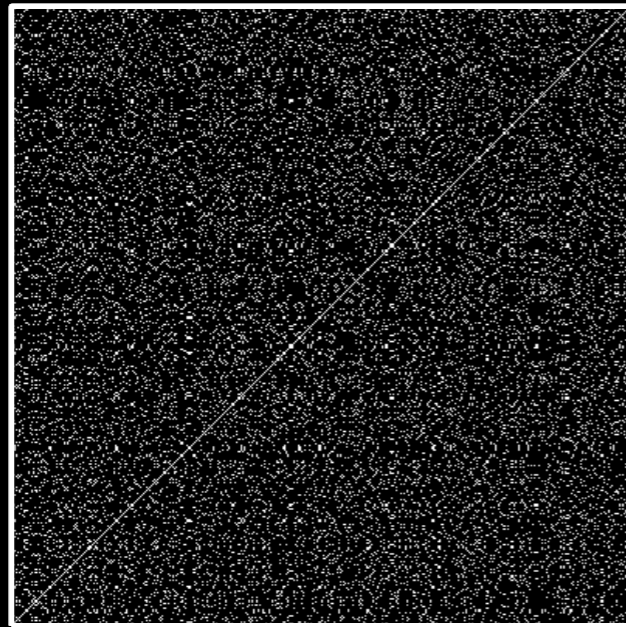


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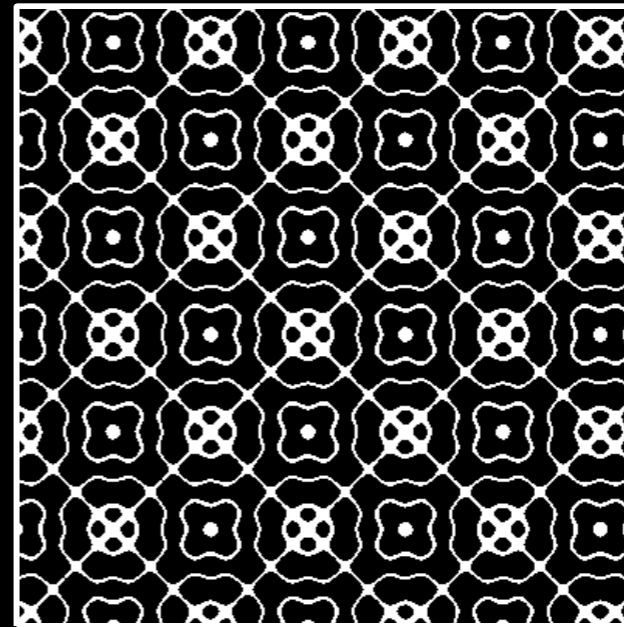


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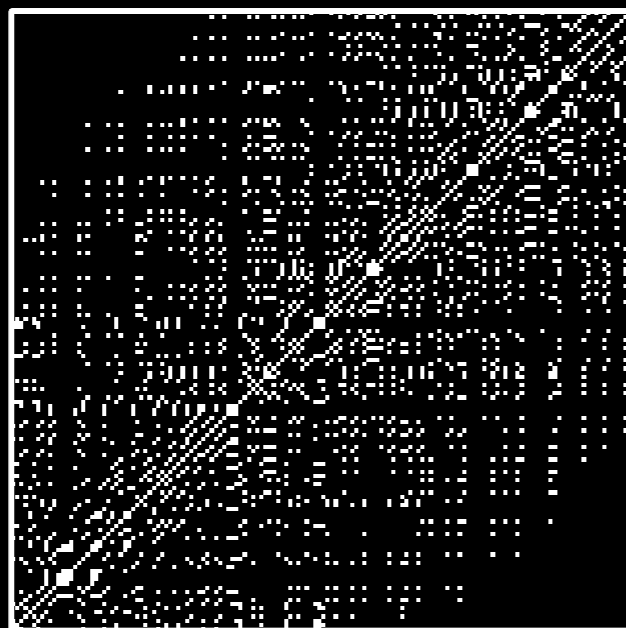
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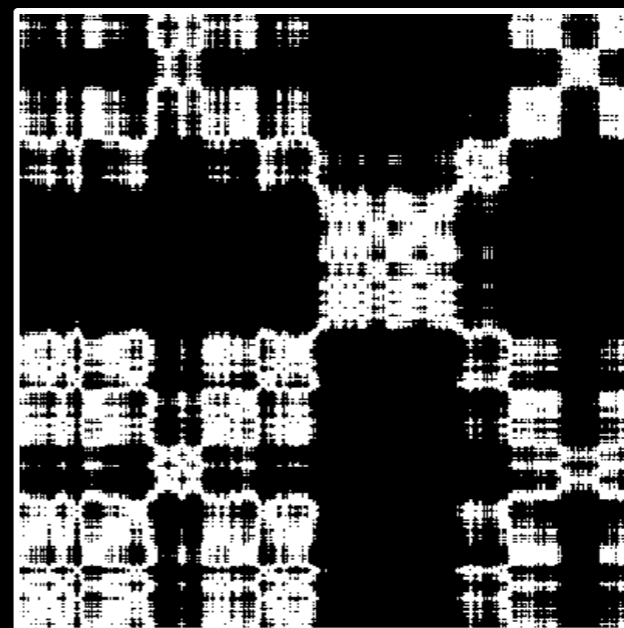
Periodic process



Chaos with drift



Auto-correlated process



# Recurrence Quantification (RQA)

- diagonal structures of length  $l$

$$\left(1 - \mathbf{R}_{i+l, j+l}\right) \prod_{\lambda=0}^l \mathbf{R}_{i+\lambda, j+\lambda} \equiv 1$$

distribution:  $P(l)$

- vertical structures of length  $v$

$$\left(1 - \mathbf{R}_{i, j+v}\right) \prod_{\varphi=0}^v \mathbf{R}_{i, j+\varphi} \equiv 1$$

distribution:  $P(v)$

# RQA Measures

- recurrence rate

$$RR = \frac{\sum_{i,j} \mathbf{R}_{i,j}}{N^2}$$

- determinism

$$DET = \frac{\sum_{l=l_{\min}}^N l P(l)}{\sum_{i,j} \mathbf{R}_{i,j}}$$

- laminarity

$$LAM = \frac{\sum_{v=v_{\min}}^N v P(v)}{\sum_{i,j} \mathbf{R}_{i,j}}$$

- mean diagonal line length

$$L = \frac{\sum_{l=l_{\min}}^N l P(l)}{\sum_{l=l_{\min}}^N P(l)}$$

- trapping time

$$TT = \frac{\sum_{v=v_{\min}}^N v P(v)}{\sum_{v=v_{\min}}^N P(v)}$$

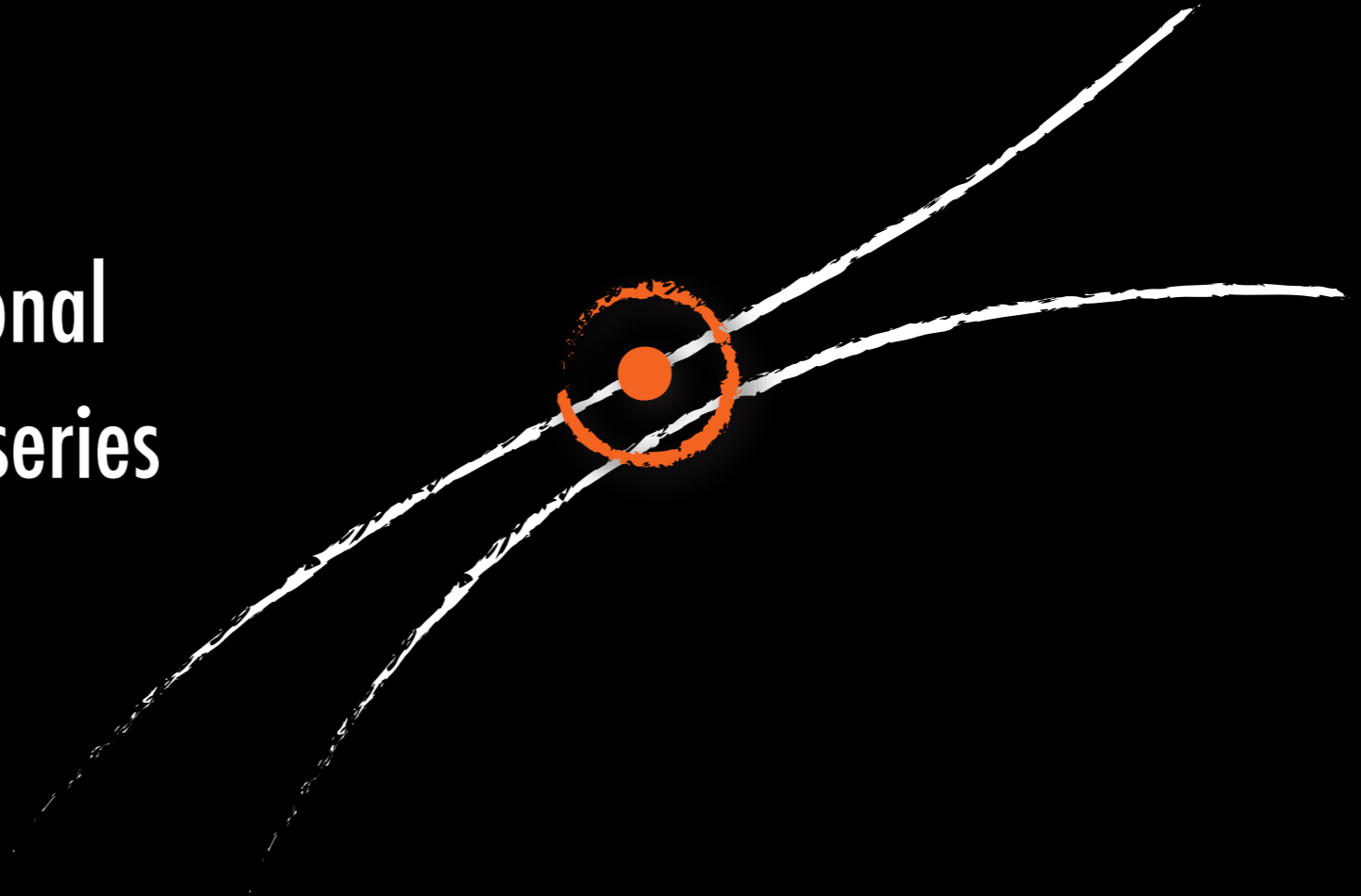
# Further Reading

- Marwan, N.: Encounters With Neighbours – Current Developments Of Concepts Based On Recurrence Plots And Their Applications, Ph.D. thesis, University of Potsdam (2003)
- [www.recurrence-plot.tk](http://www.recurrence-plot.tk)
- [tocsy.agnld.uni-potsdam.de](http://tocsy.agnld.uni-potsdam.de) (CRP toolbox)

# **Spatial Extension**

# Recurrence Plots

- recurrences on one-dimensional objects:
  - > phase space trajectories
  - > time series
  - > one-dimensional spatial data series



# Suggested Spatial Extension

- recurrence plot

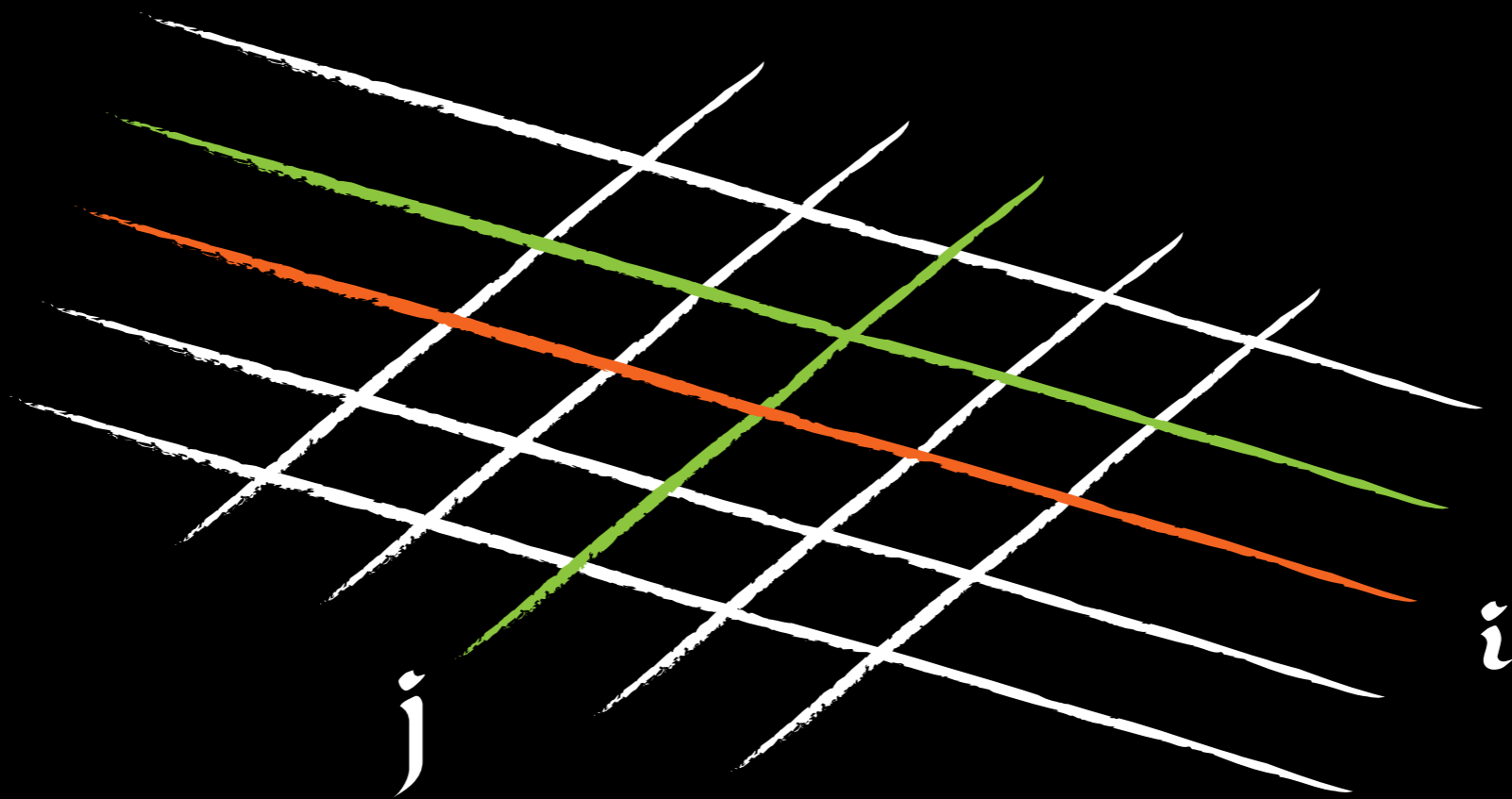
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- general extension to any dimension d

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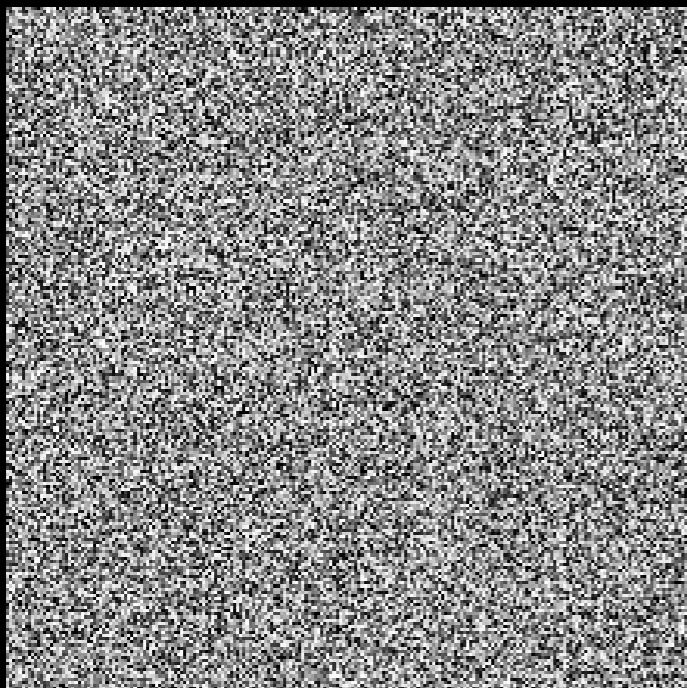


High-Dimensional Recurrence Plot ( $2 \times d$ )

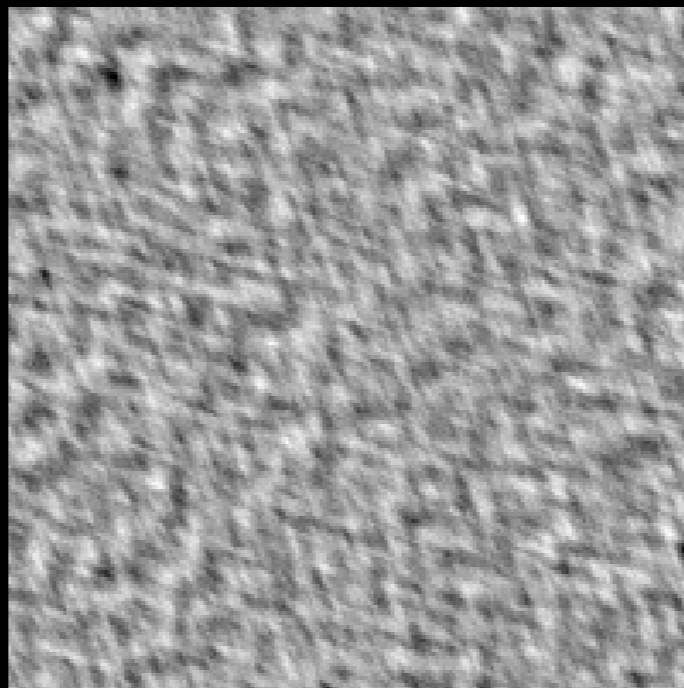


# Examples (2D)

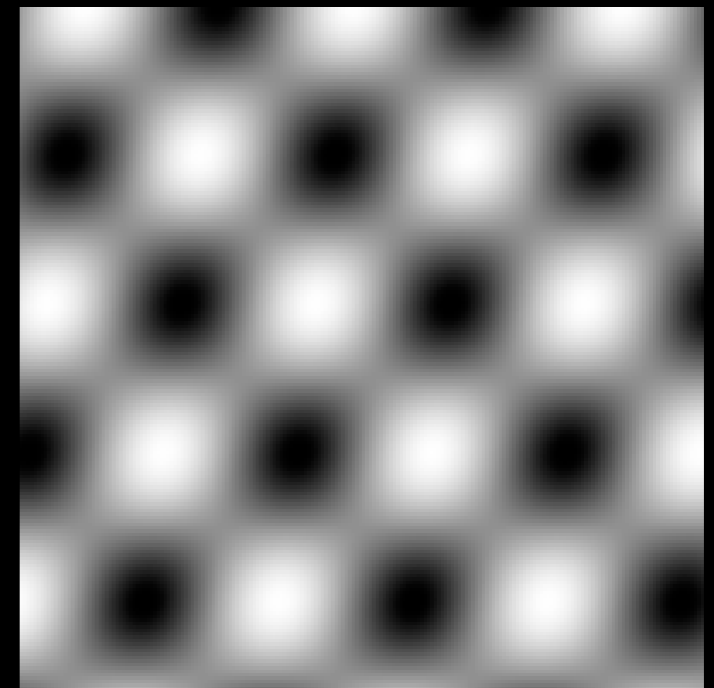
normally distributed noise



2D AR process (2<sup>nd</sup> order)

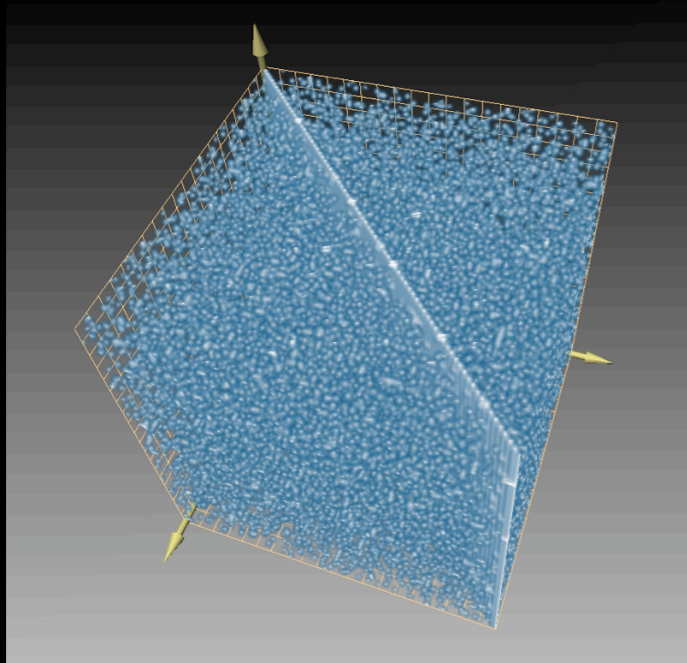


2D periodic image

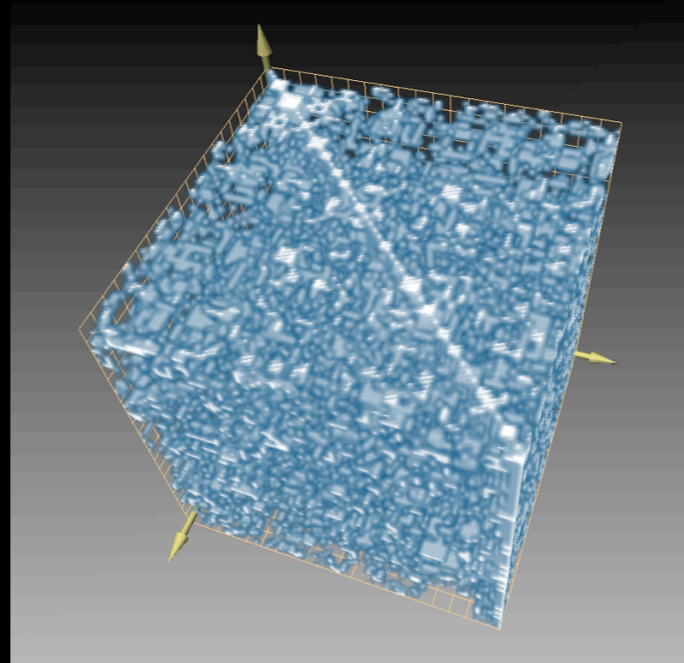


# Recurrence Plots of Examples

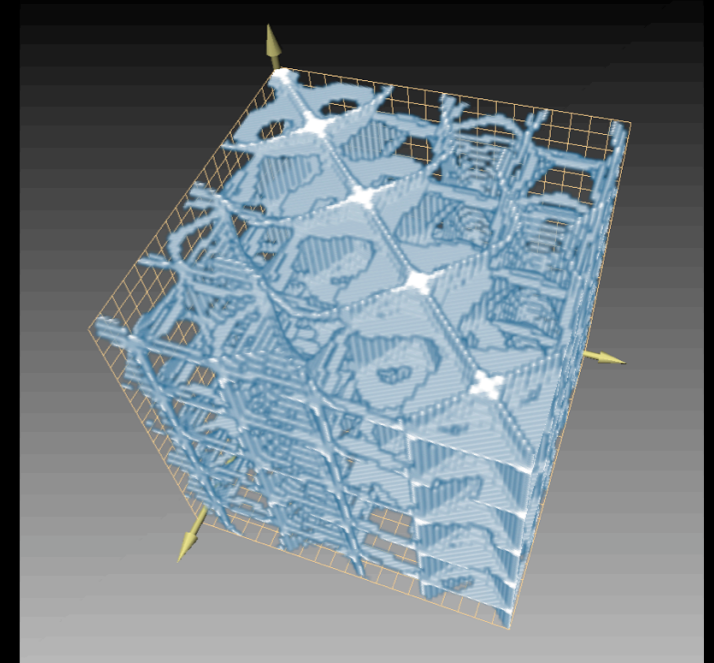
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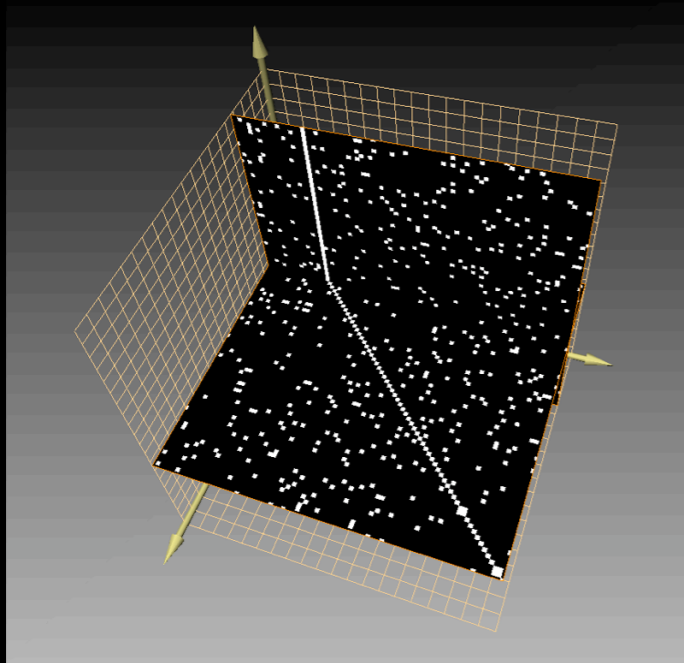


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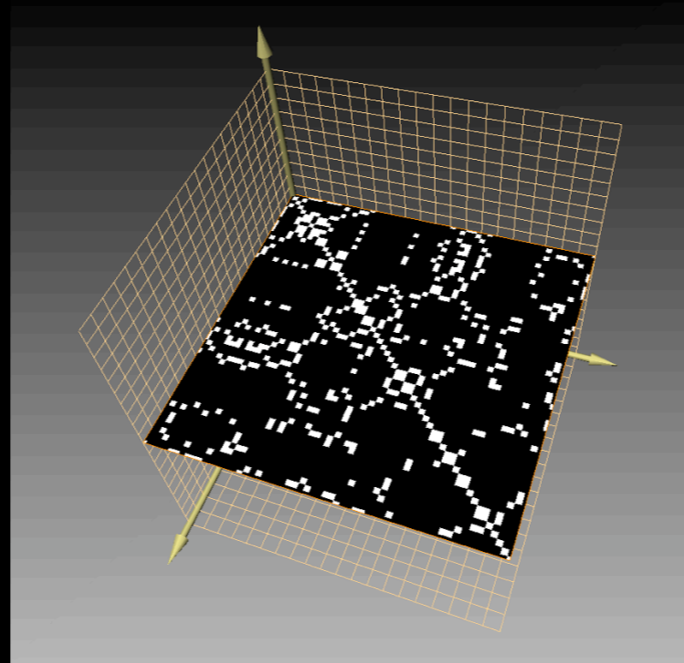


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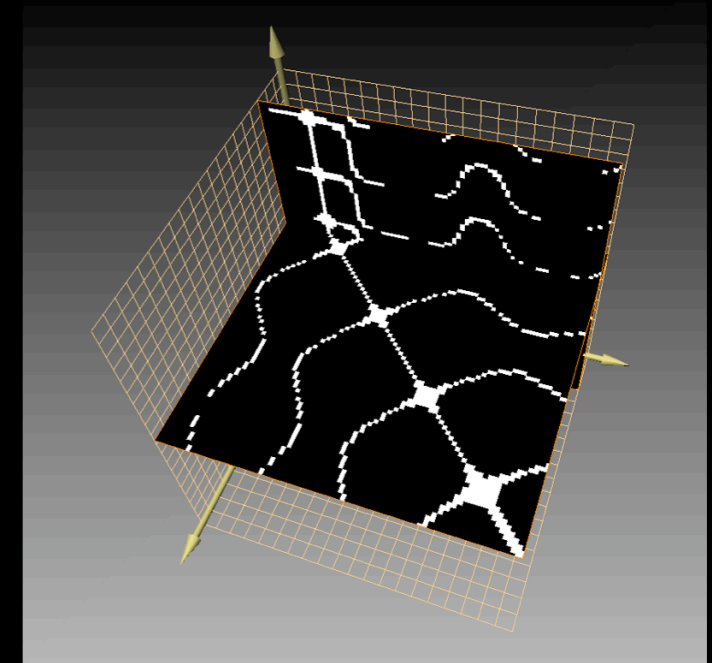
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# Recurrence Quantification

- based on distributions of the lengths of diagonal and vertical lines
- RQA for spatial data:
  - > definition of diagonal and vertical structures
  - > algorithm for finding these structures
  - > estimation of their sizes

# Recurrence Quantification

- diagonal structures

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- vertical structures

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# Recurrence Quantification

- estimation of the distributions as for common recurrence plots
- RQA measures as for common recurrence plots

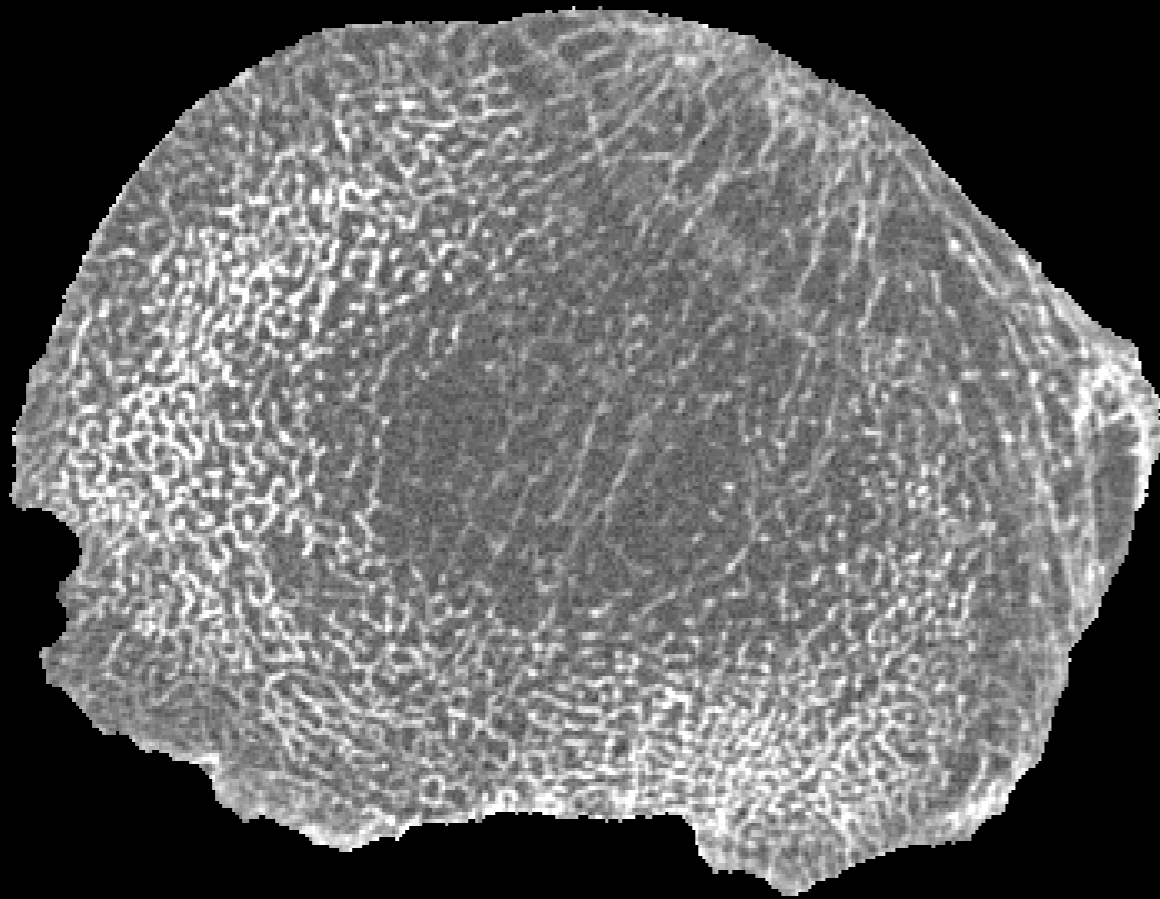
# RQA of Examples

<b>Example</b>	<b>RR</b>	<b>DET</b>	<b>LAM</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>TT</b>
noise	0.22	0.01	0.01	3.7	3.0
2D-AR2	0.22	0.03	0.07	3.1	3.1
periodic	0.20	0.32	0.31	5.8	5.6

**Application**

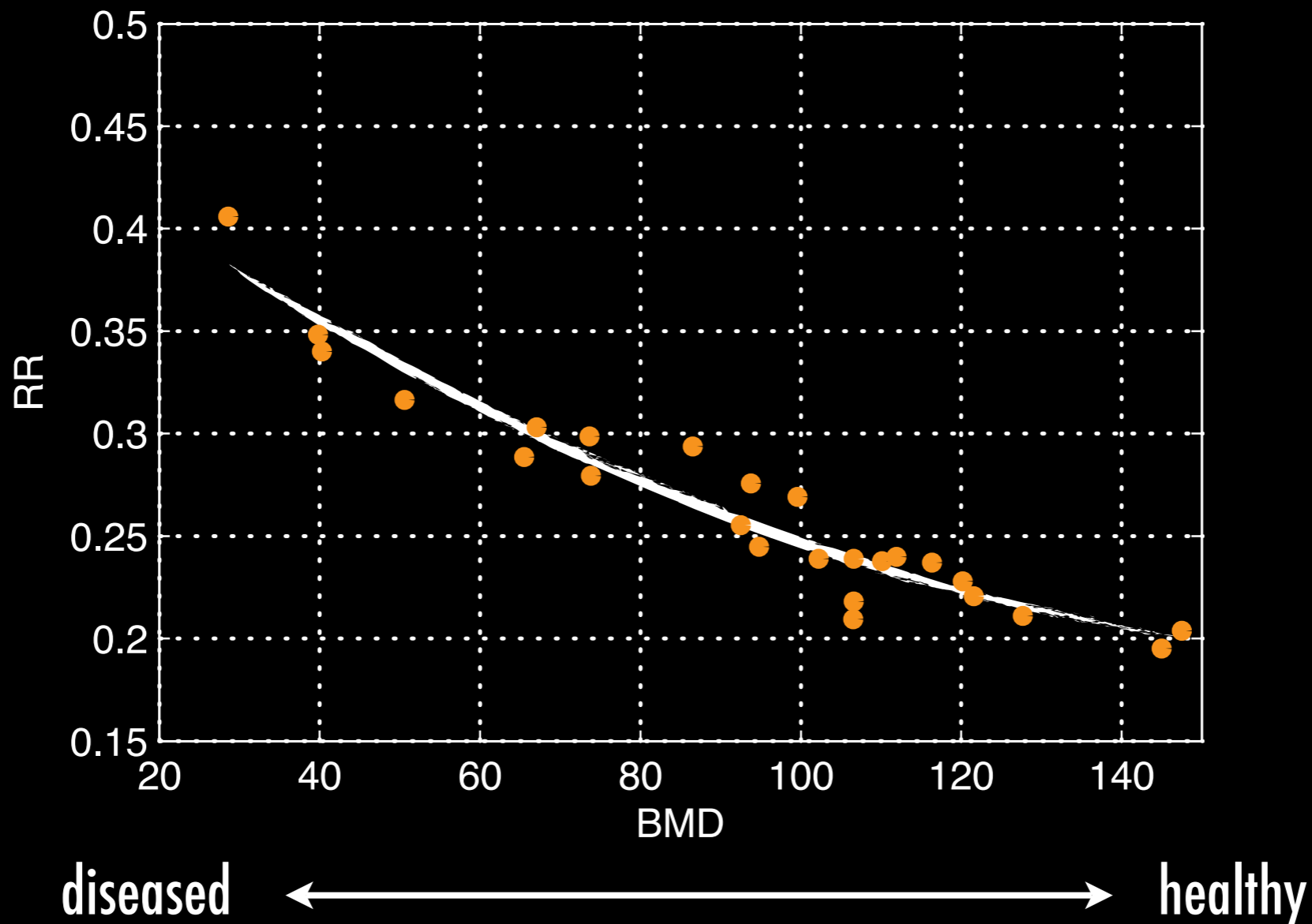


# Application on CT Images



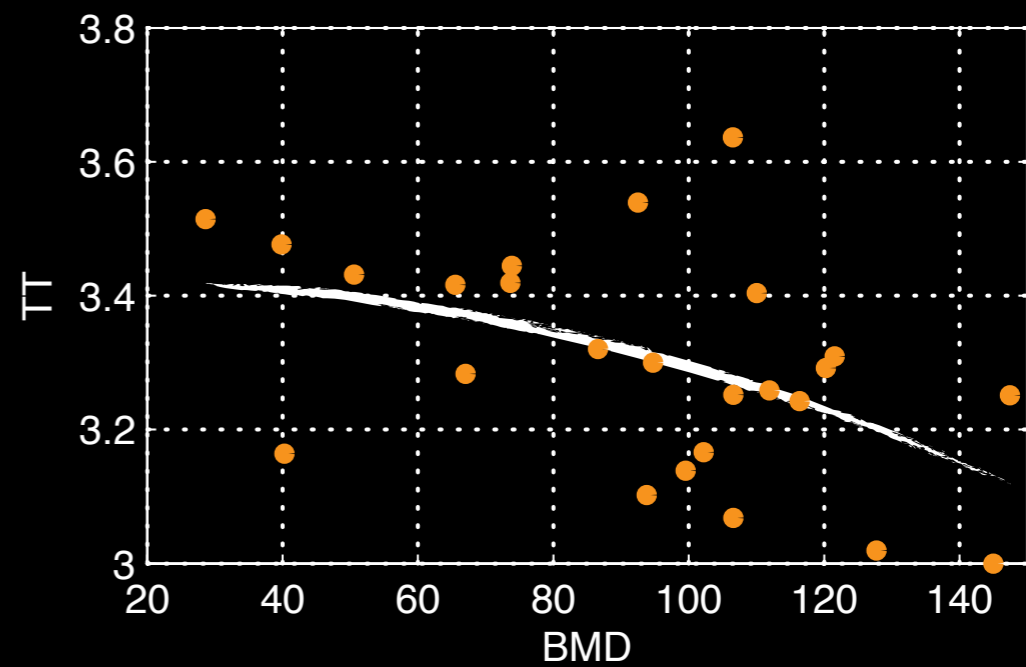
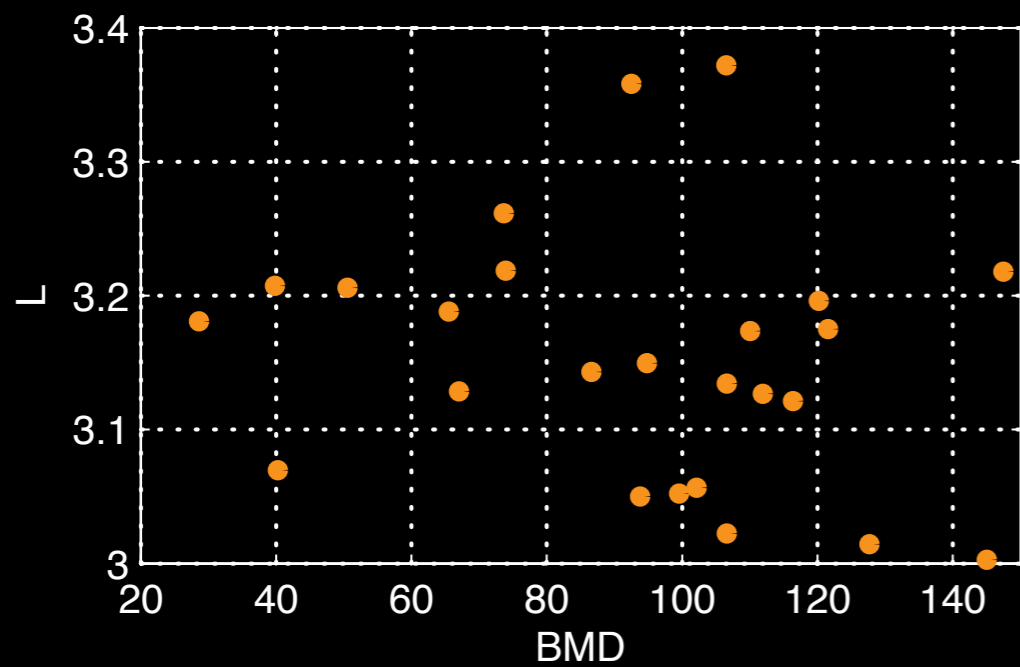
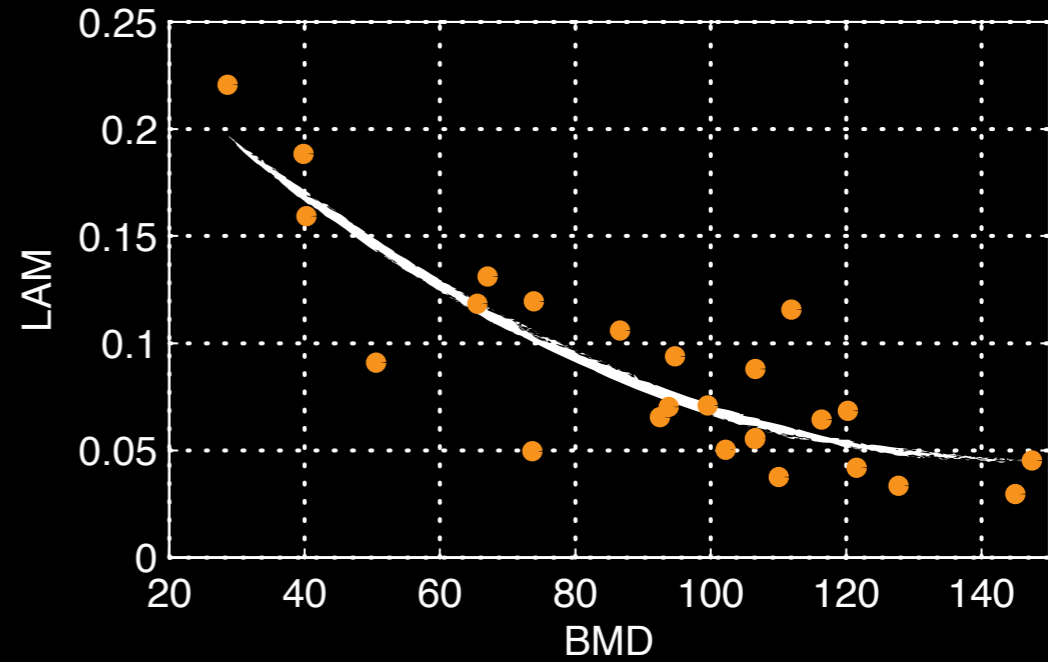
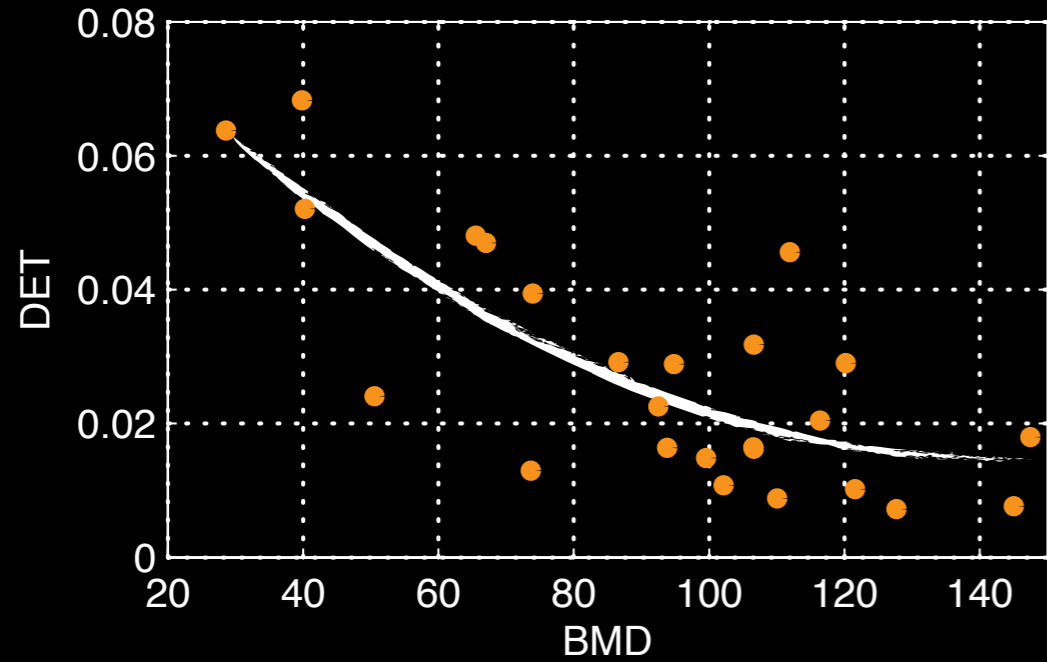
- pQCT scan of human proximal tibia
- 2D slice, 1 mm thick
- $200 \times 200 \mu\text{m}$  pixel size
- 26 specimens

# RQA of Proximal Tibia



- bone loss causes recurrent structures in CT (decreasing complexity)

# RQA of Proximal Tibia



# Conclusions

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- extension to higher dimensional spatial data
- able to quantify recurrent structures in spatial data
- characterisation of the micro-architecture of bone
  - > bone loss causes recurrent structures (more self-similar structures)
  - > reduced complexity of bone micro-architecture

# Outlook

- faster and more appropriate algorithm to find diagonal and vertical structures
- further measures of complexity for 3D image analysis
- base for diagnostic measures for structural alteration of bone due to osteoporosis or in micro-gravity