

Quantified Self  
self knowledge through numbers

# Tracking and Improving My Sleep

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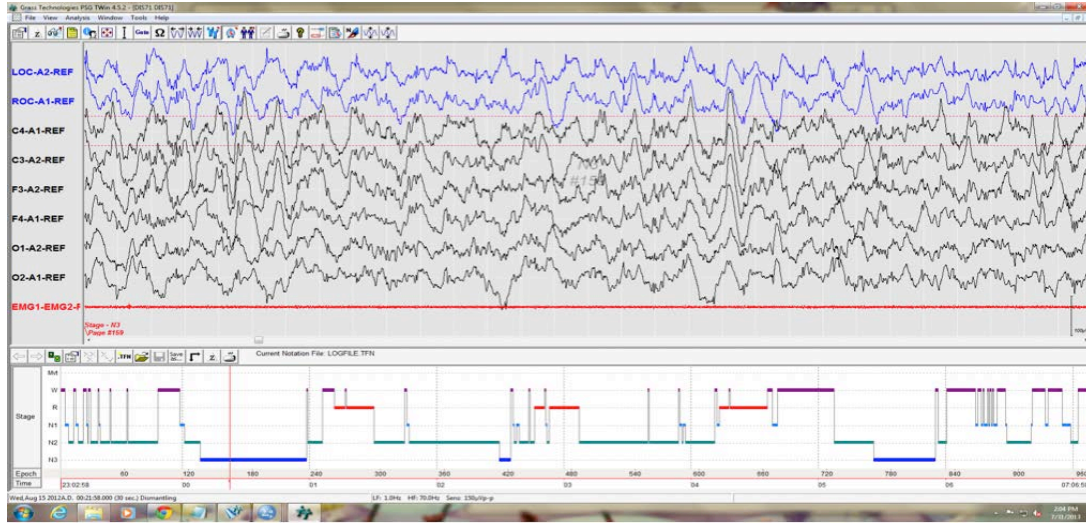
# A New Scientific Finding



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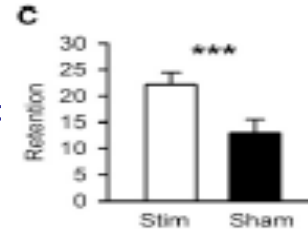
Dmitry is an Assistant Professor at the VA Boston Healthcare System and an Instructor at the Harvard Medical School.

He has over 45 peer reviewed publications in sleep related journals – with a focus on the neurobiology of sleep.



Several research studies demonstrated that auditory stimulation during Slow Wave Sleep results in enhancement of Slow Wave Activity and improvements of memory

(Molle, 2013; Tononi, Cirelli, Sarasso, 2010).



Retention of word pairs

# What did I do?

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Does the effect of sound and stimulation during sleep generalize to the wild?

# How Did I Do It?

## iPhone Screenshots

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Category: [Health & Fitness](#)

Released: Feb 28, 2014

Version: 1.0

Size: 12.7 MB

Language: English

Seller: Proactive Life LLC

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**Compatibility:** Requires iOS 5.0 or later. Compatible with iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch. This app is optimized for iPhone 5.

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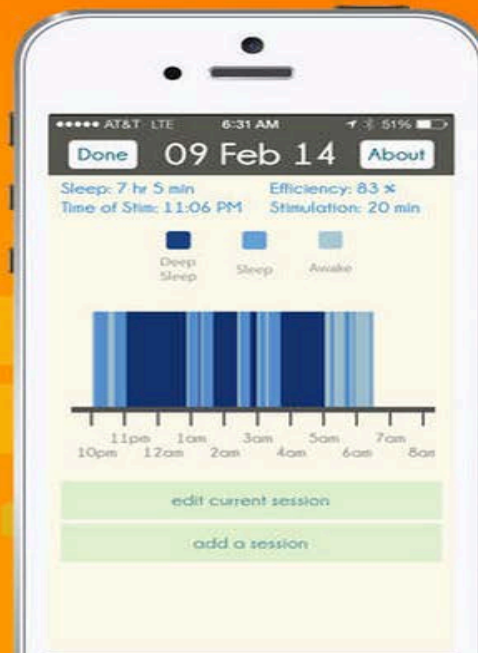
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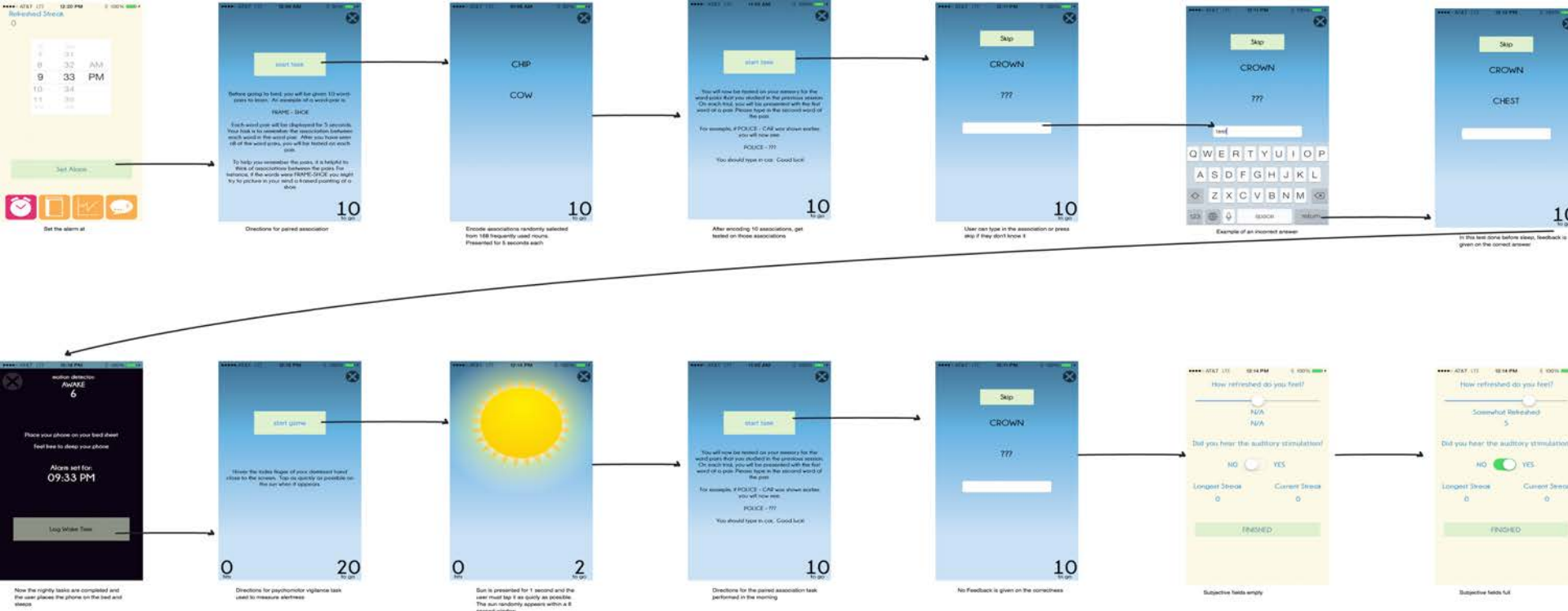
Created by neuroscientists:  
Sleep deeper and wake up rested.



Track the quality of your sleep.



# Overview of Memory Test



# Manipulation

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- Within Groups Design with 3 conditions:
  - No stimulation
  - 20 minutes of stimulation
  - 40 minutes of stimulation

# Other trackers



Hexoskin

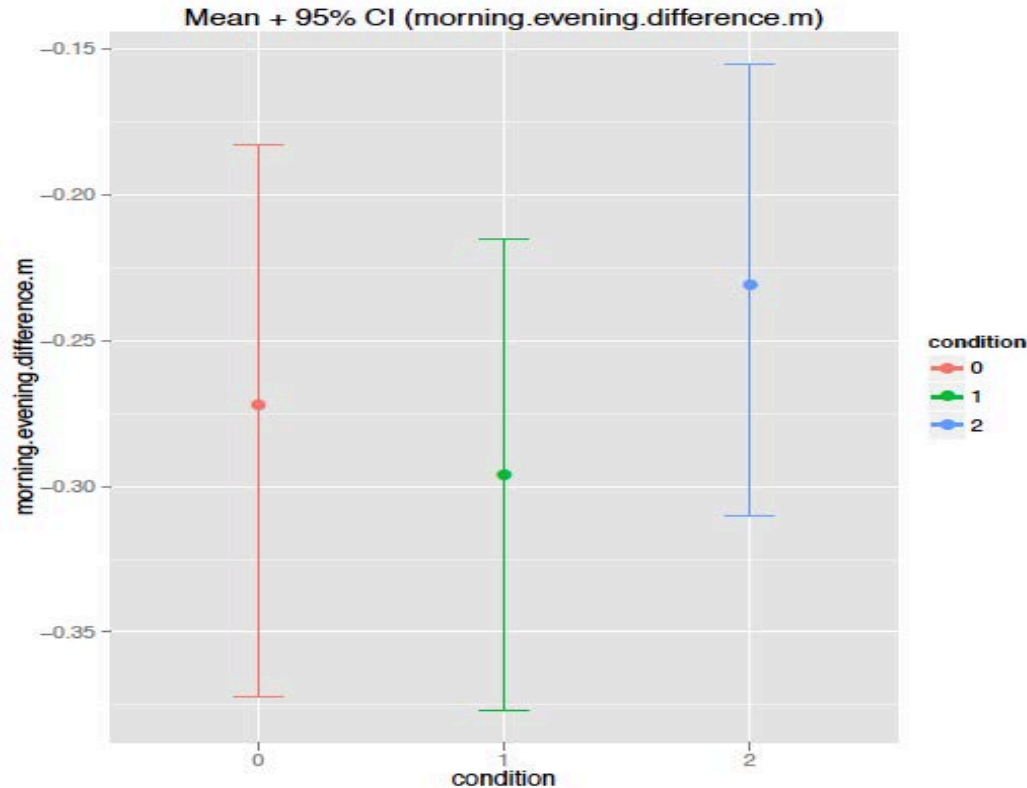


Galaxy Gear



Actiwatch

# Does stim improve memory?



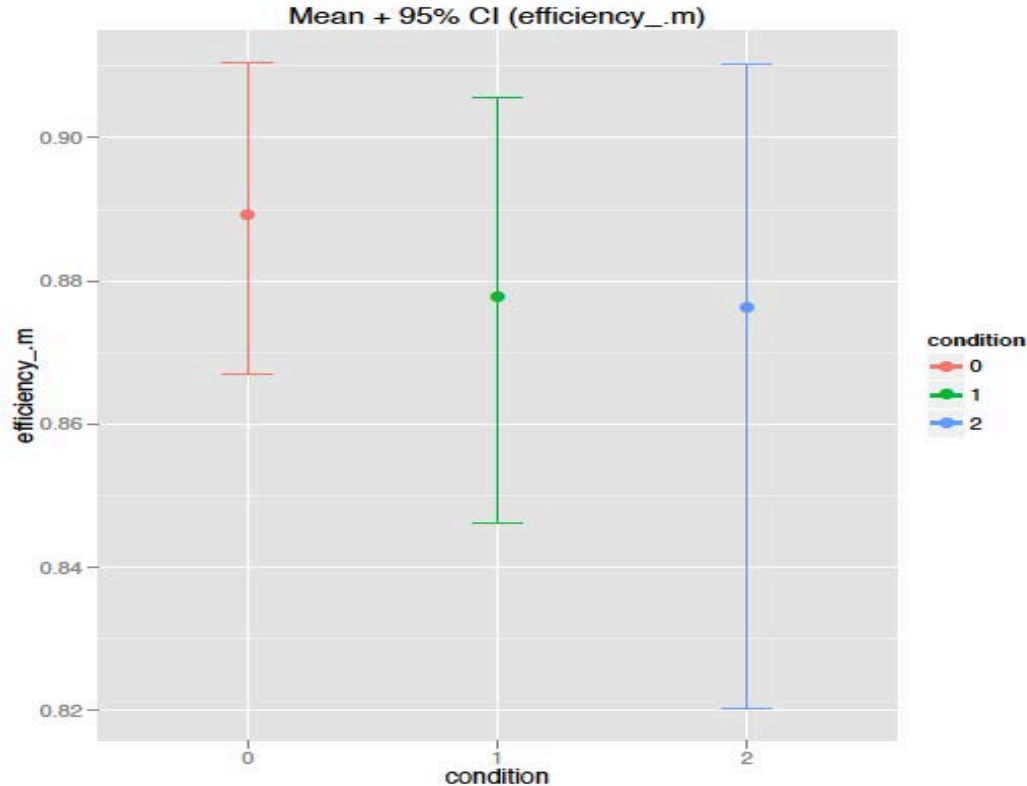
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# Does stim improve efficiency?

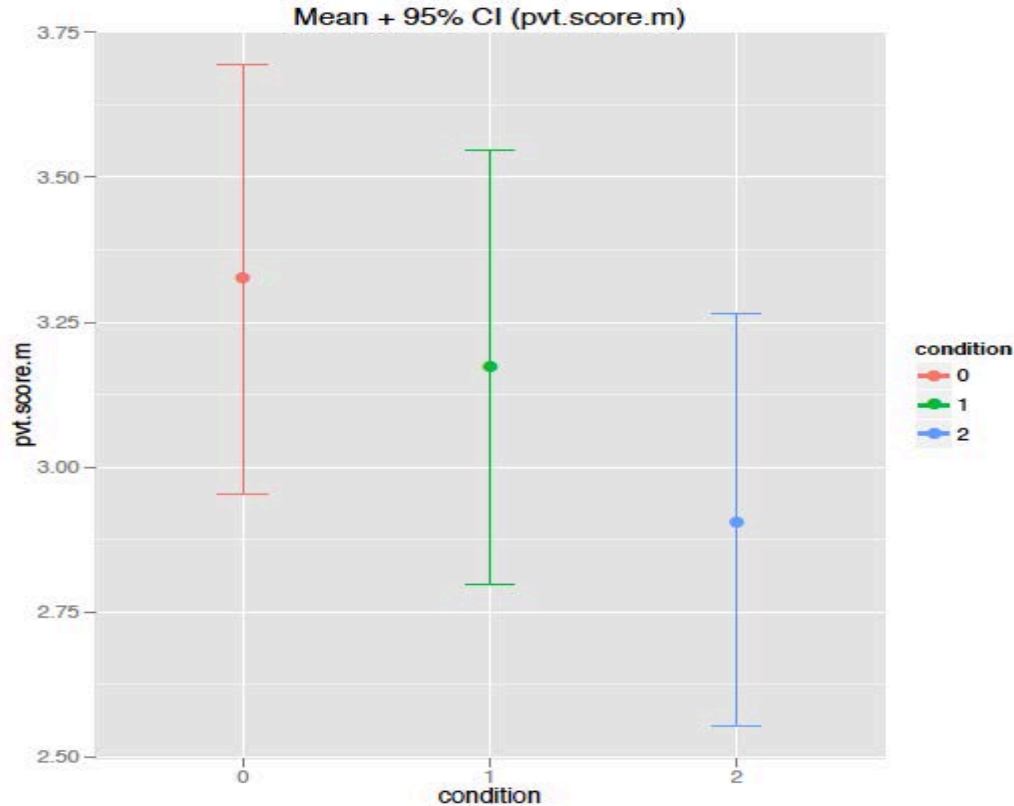


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# Does stim improve alertness?

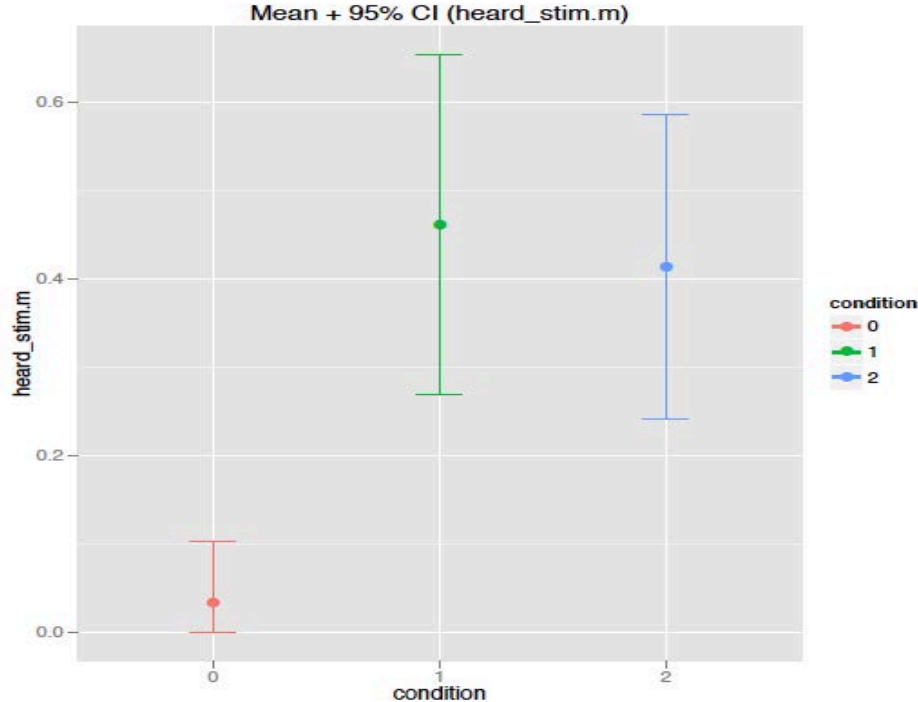


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# Did the stim noticed?



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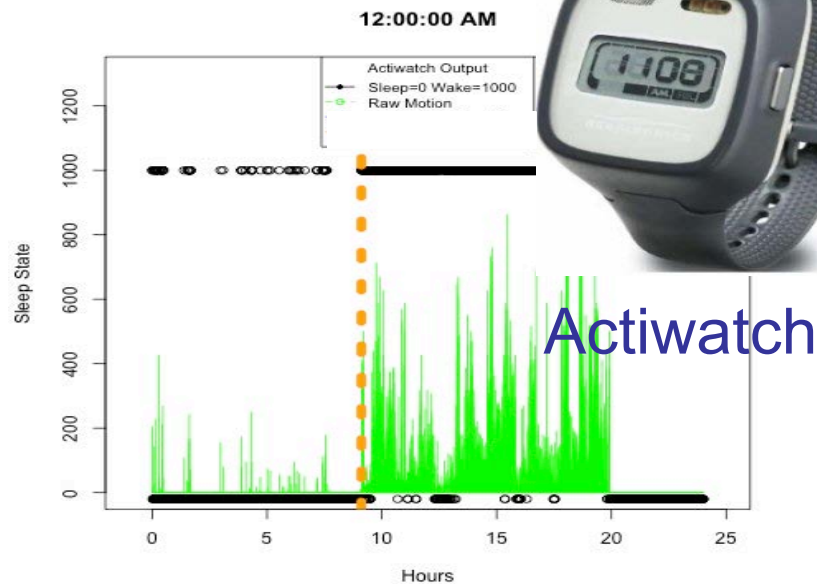
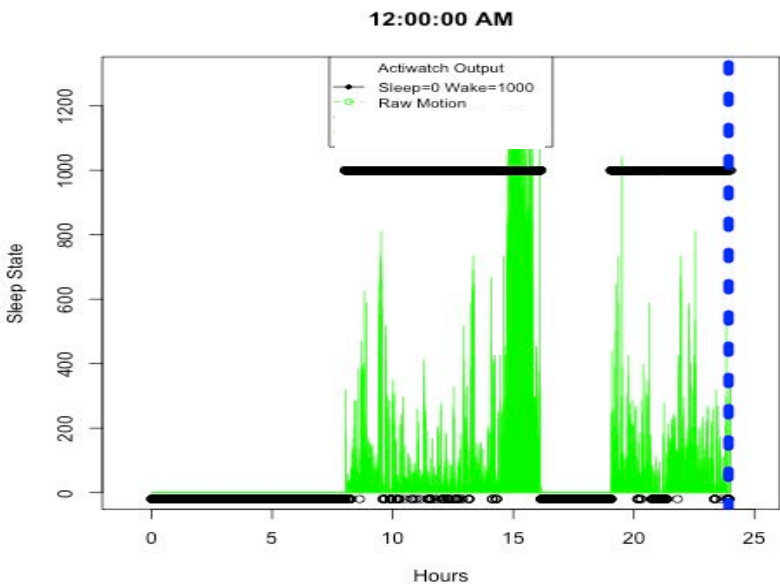
# What did I Learn?

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Auditory stimulation didn't work

The stimulation was noticed (not good)

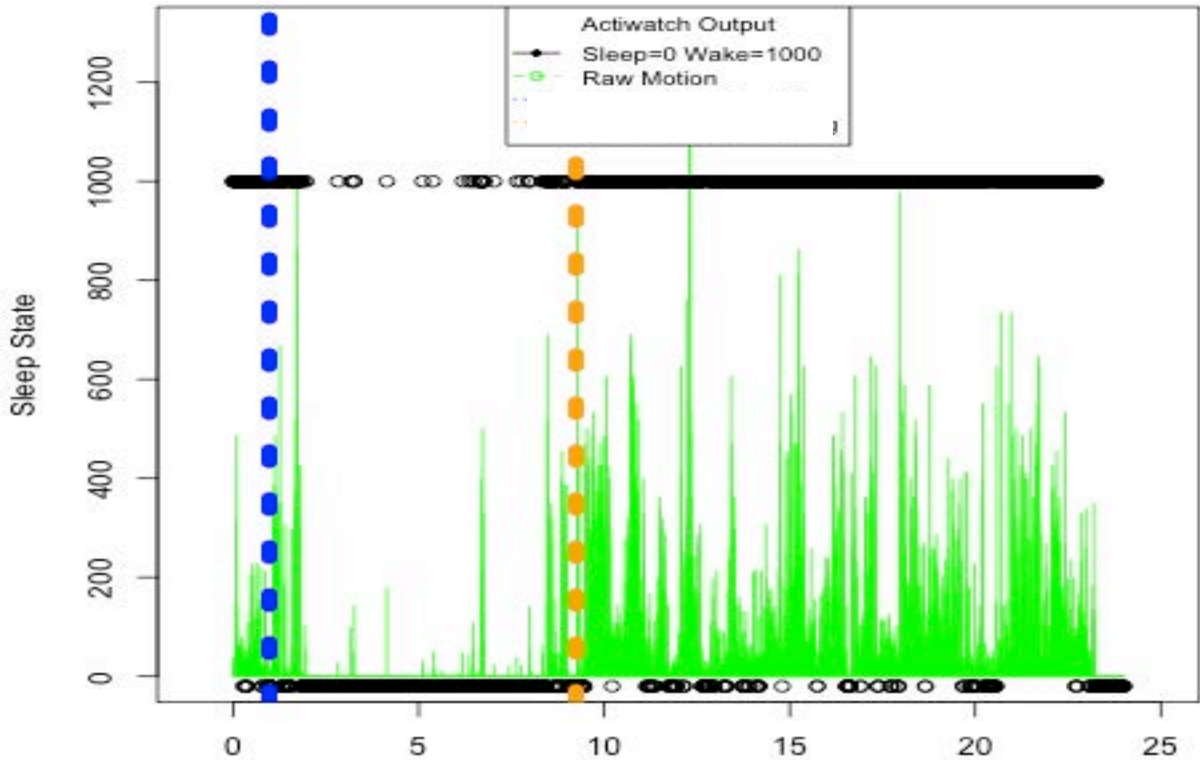
# Actiwatch Produces Big Data



Over 200 nights of data 😊

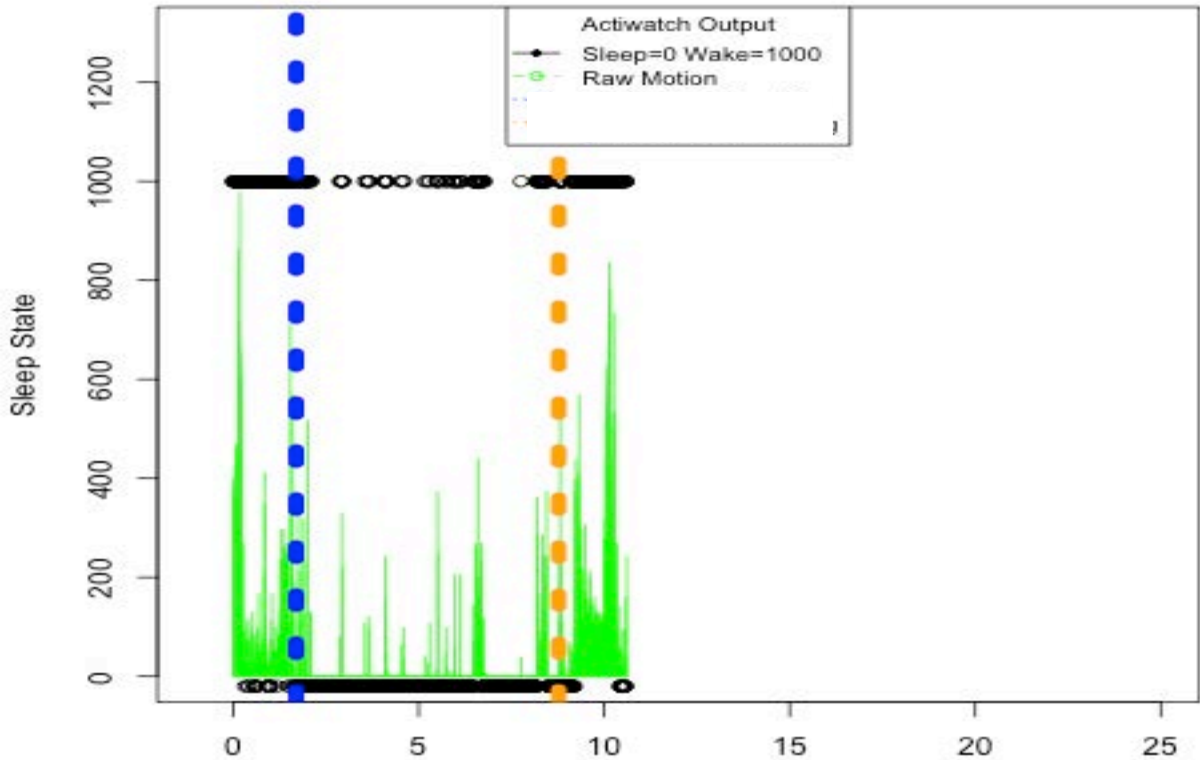
# A Week Of Data: 8-13-14

bedtime = 12:58:00 AM waketime = 9:14:00 AM efficiency = 84



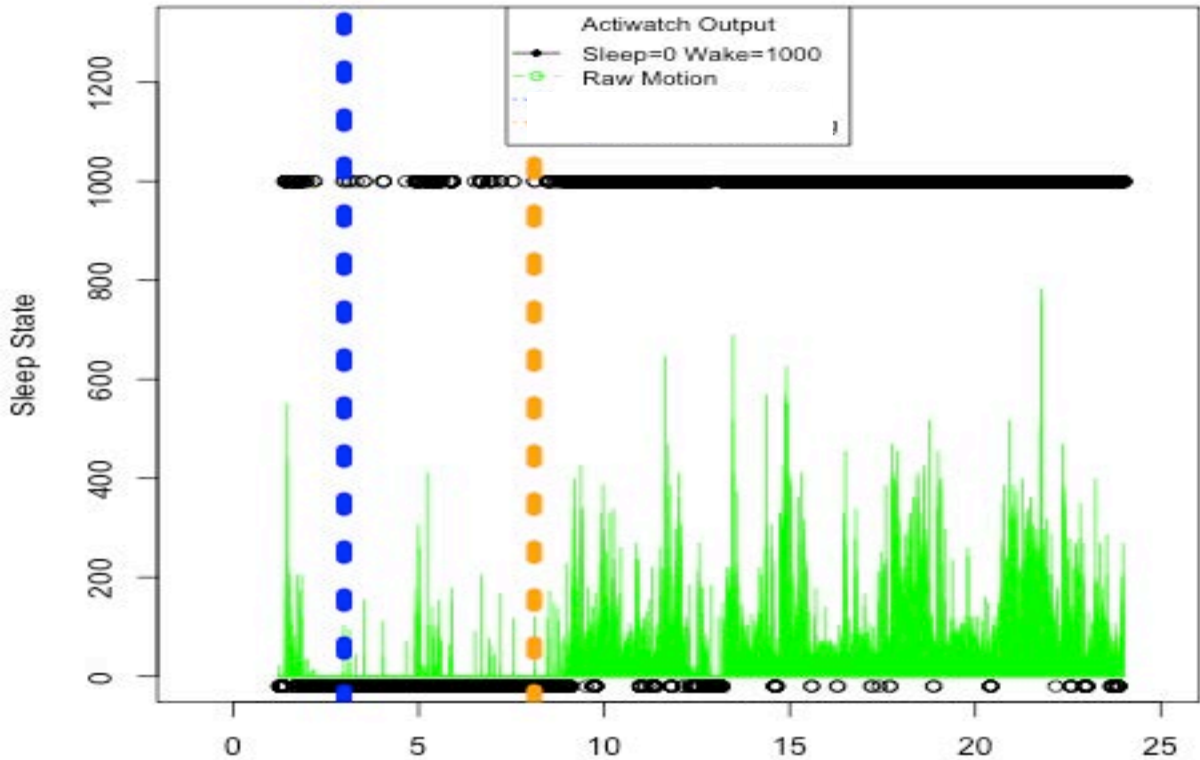
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bedtime = 1:41:30 AM waketime = 8:46:00 AM efficiency = 83



# A Week Of Data: 8-15-14

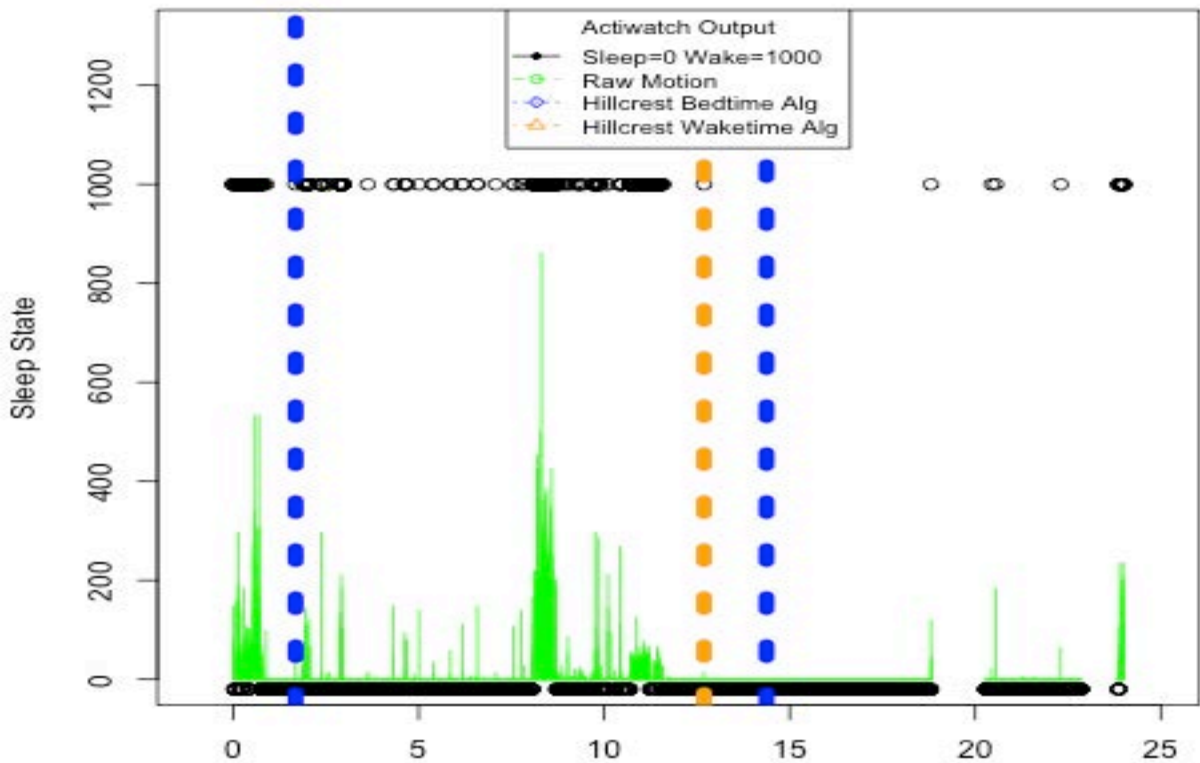
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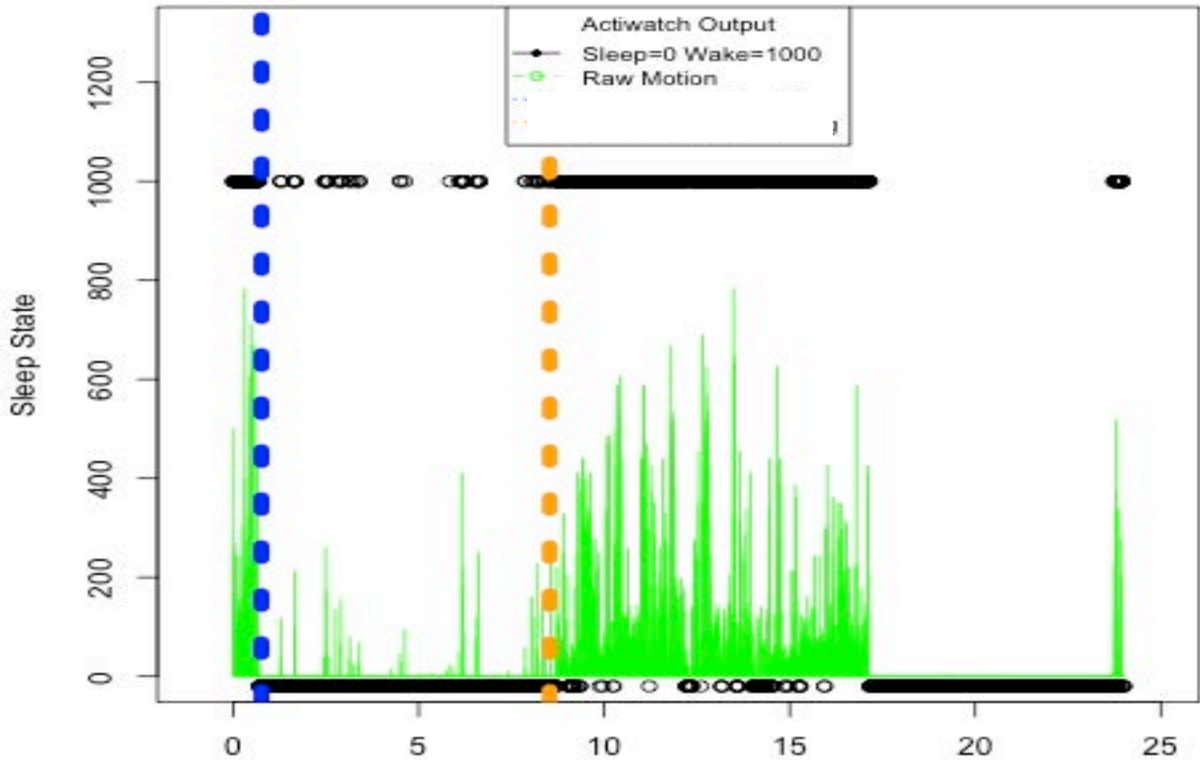
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bedtime = 2:22:15 PM waketime = 12:41:15 PM efficiency = 79



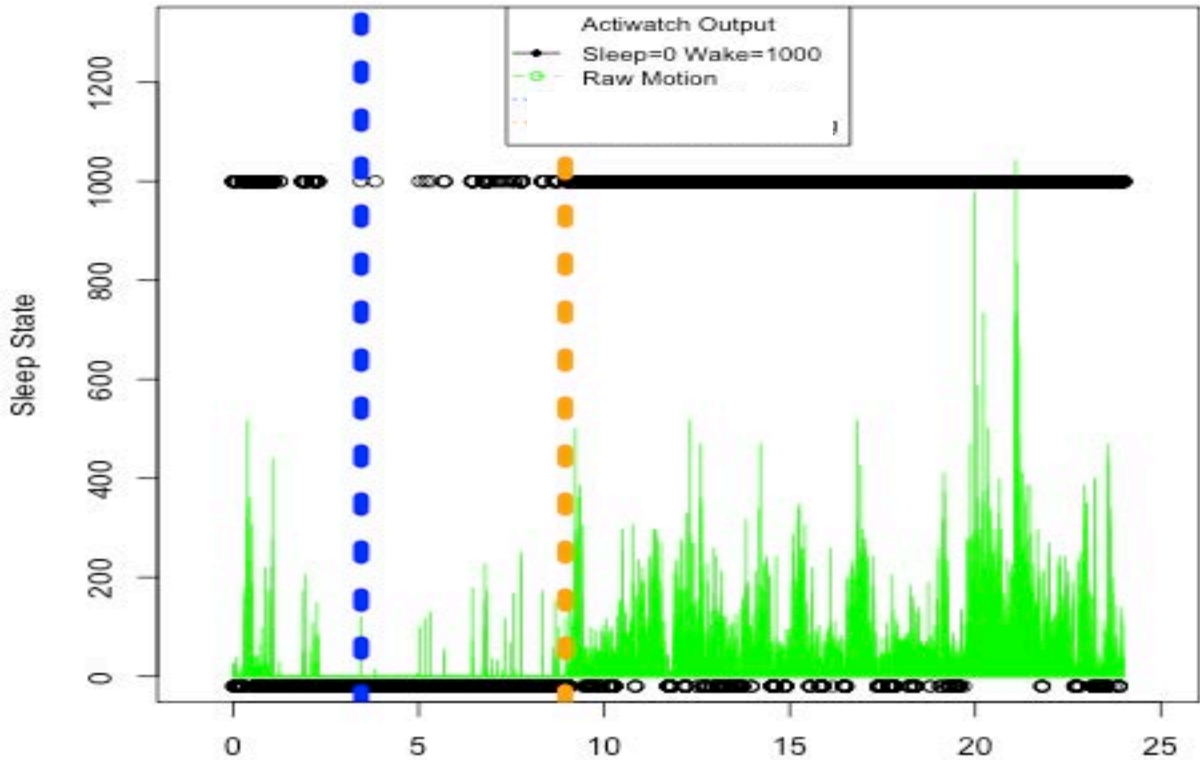
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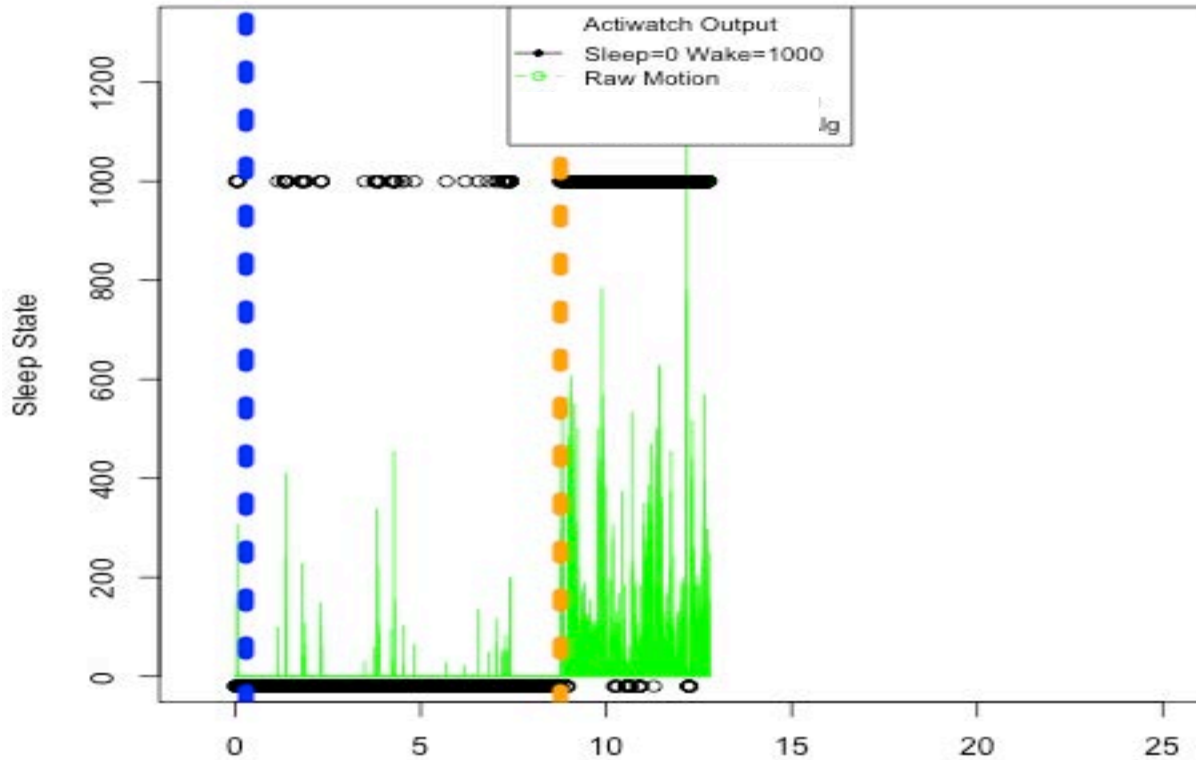
# A Week Of Data: 8-18-14

bedtime = 3:26:45 AM waketime = 8:56:45 AM efficiency = 94



# A Week Of Data: 8-19-14

bedtime = 12:17:00 AM waketime = 8:45:30 AM efficiency = 94



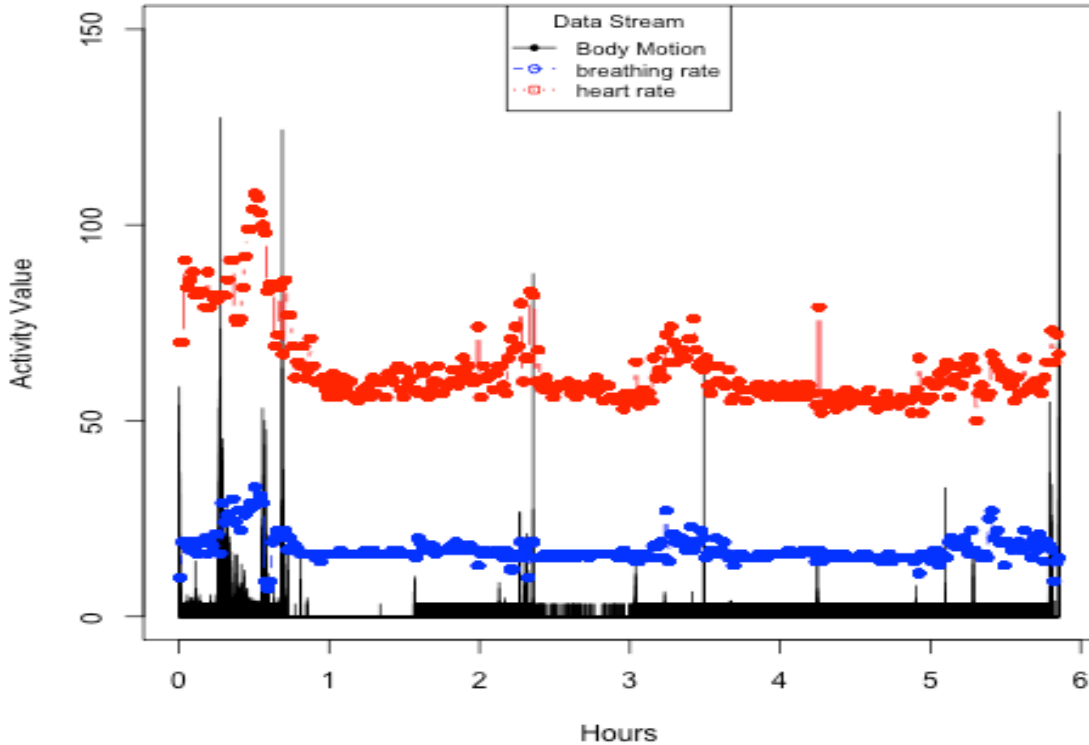
# What did I Learn?

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In terms of making inferences about sleep, continuous data can in some situations be more informative than more accurate data that has less continuity

# How about the Hexoskin?

Sleep Graph



Measures:  
Motion,  
Breathing,  
Heart

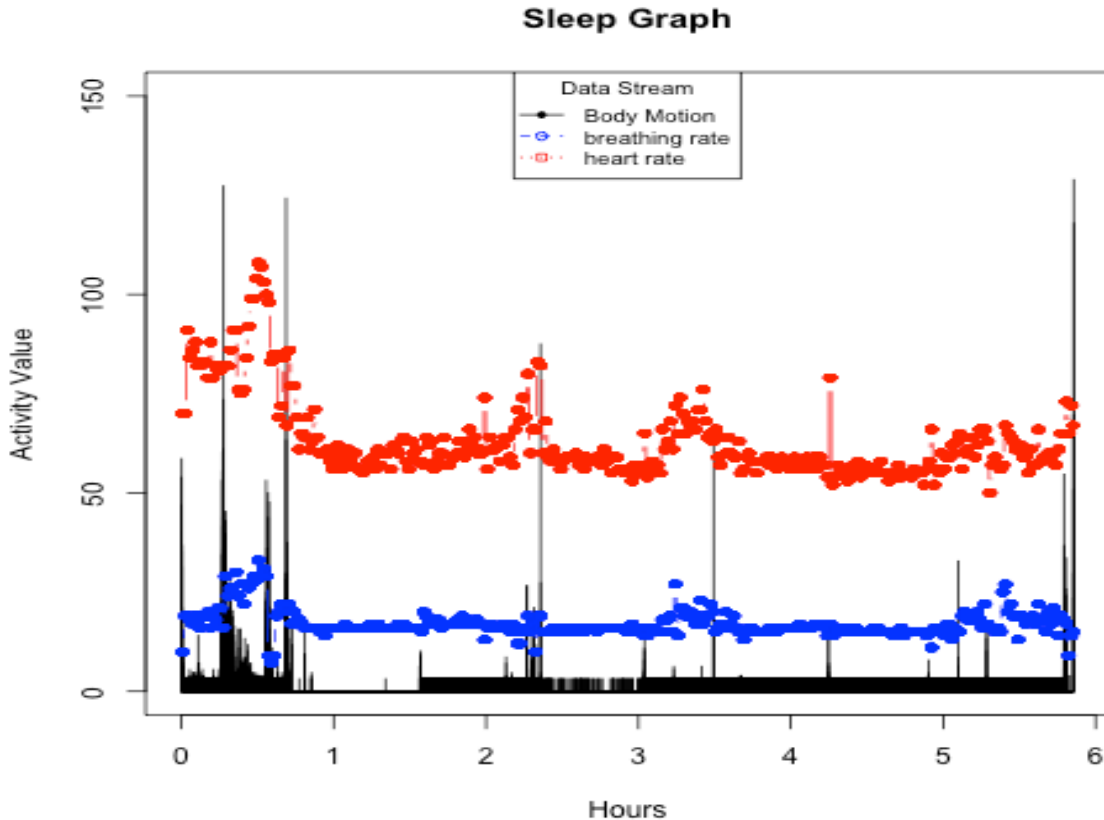


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Can Breathing and Heart data  
improve sleep detection?

# Probably..

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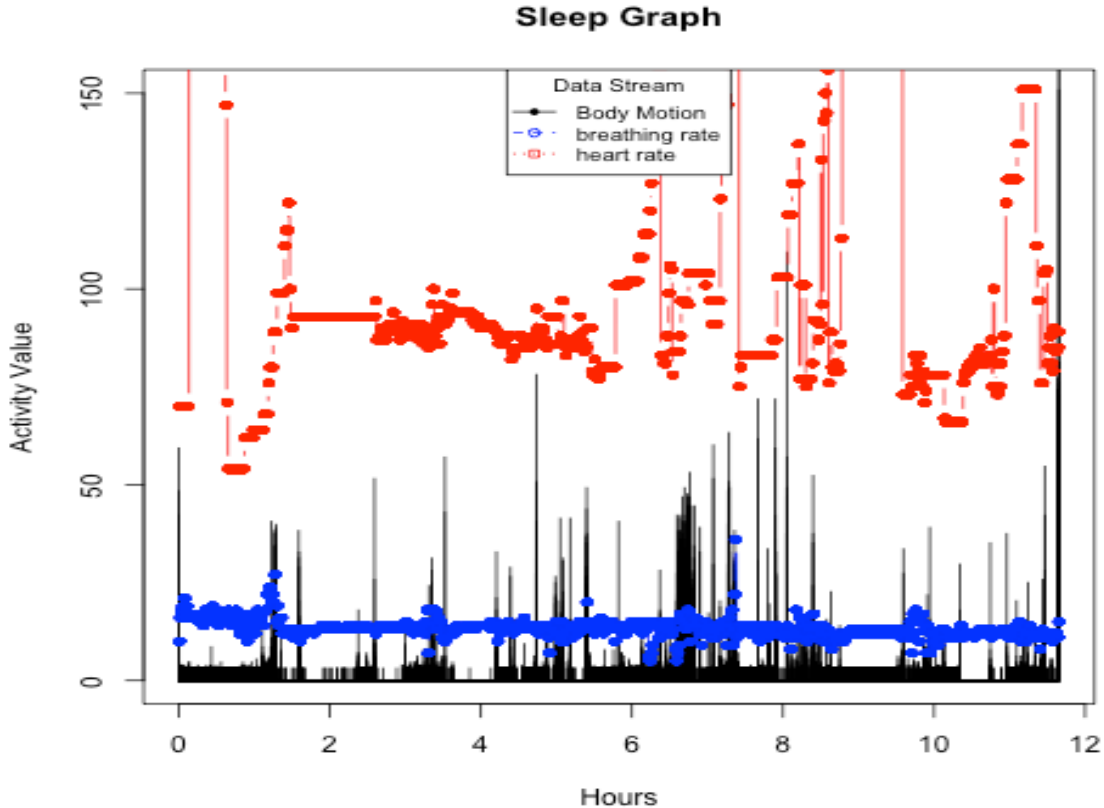


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# Some Problems With Sensitivity



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A good system ought to have as much accurate reliable data as possible and be as contiguous as possible

# What did I Learn?

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Learned more about the difficulties of doing research in the wild than the veracity of the scientific question

# What did I Learn?

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For sleep, the current state of technologies still has a ways to go... maybe the Apple Watch can help