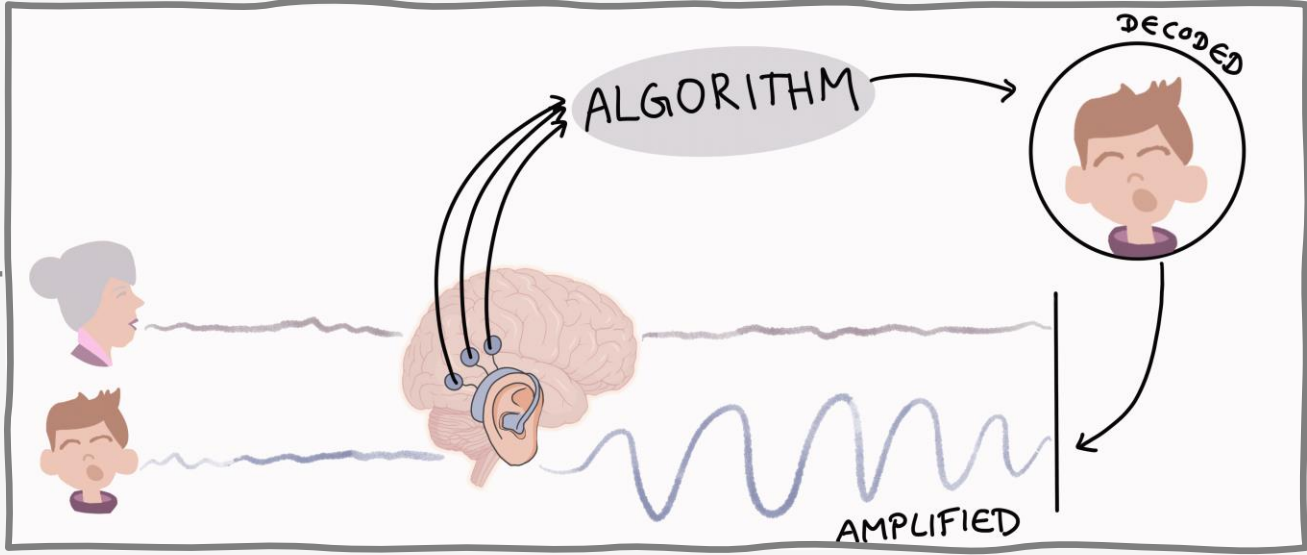
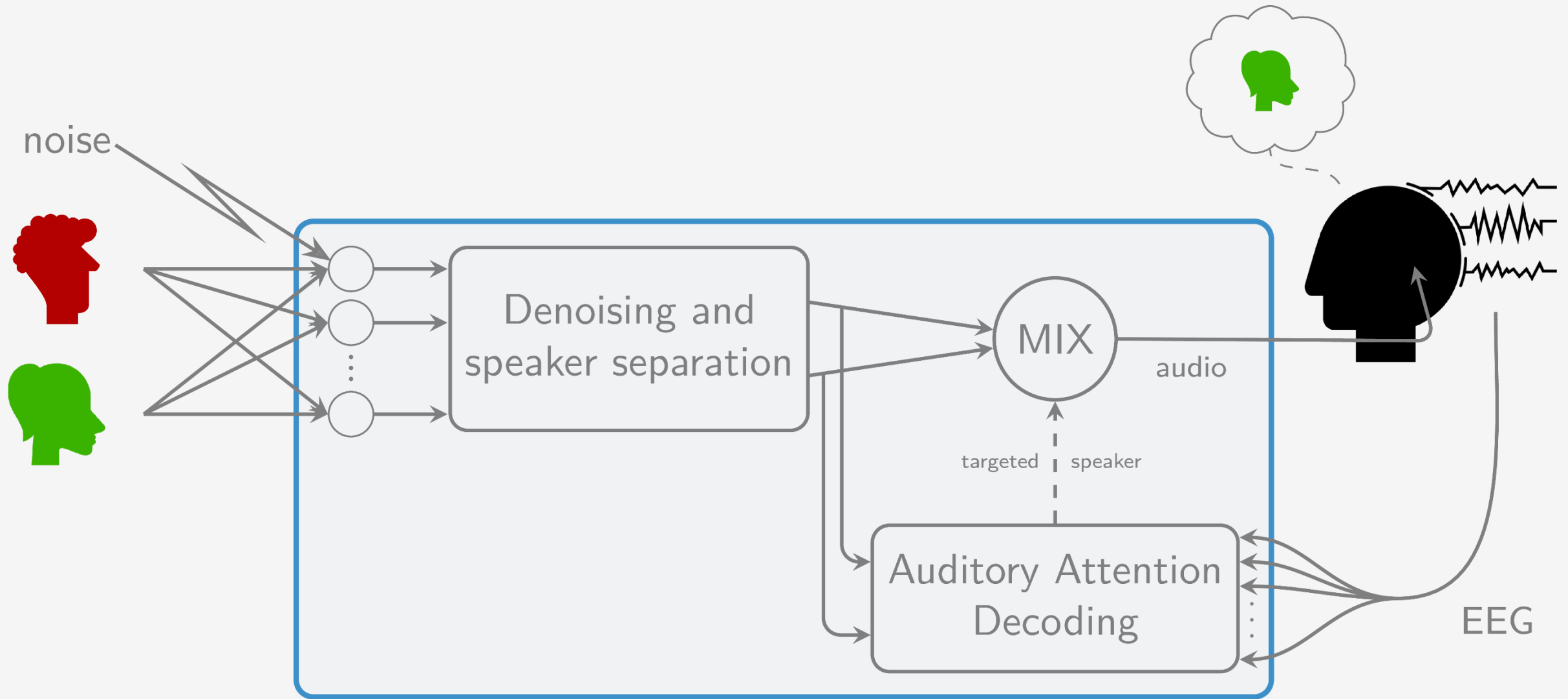




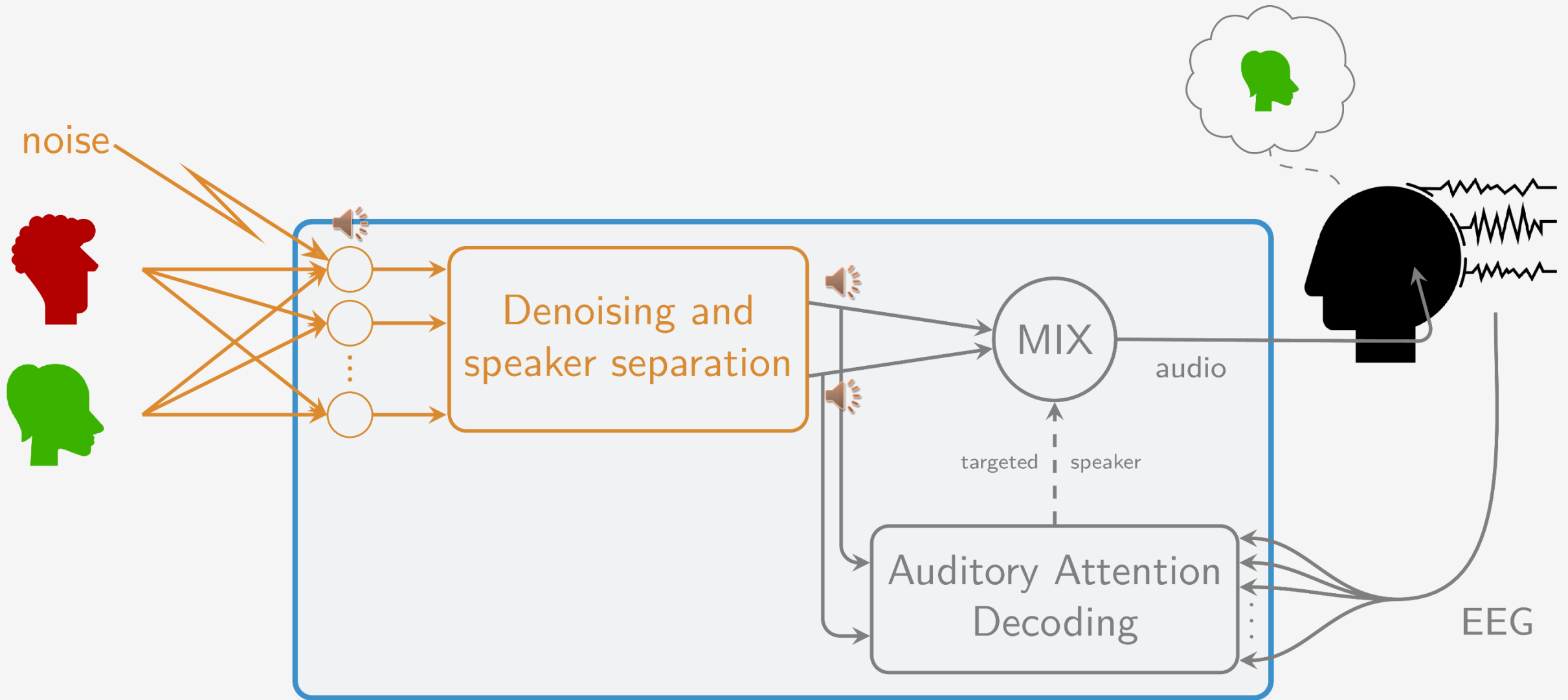
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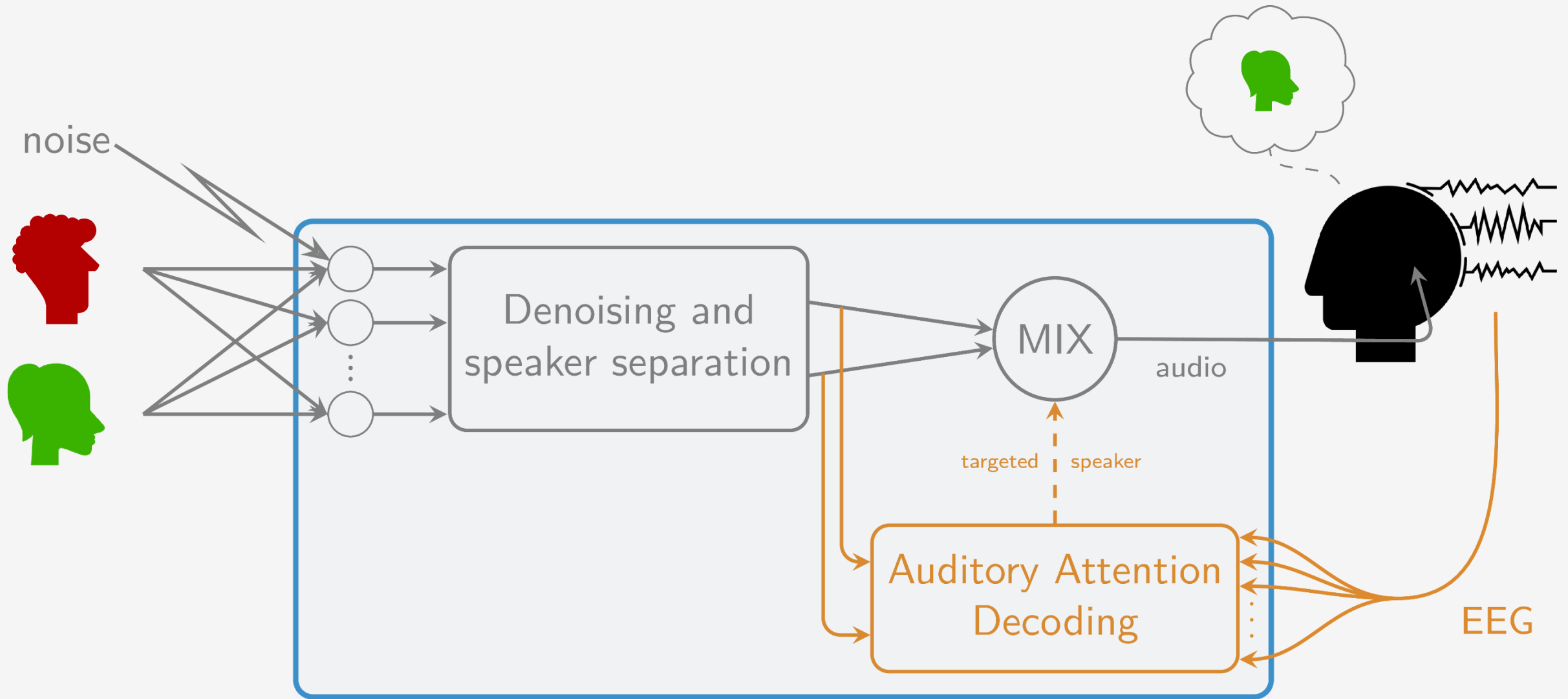
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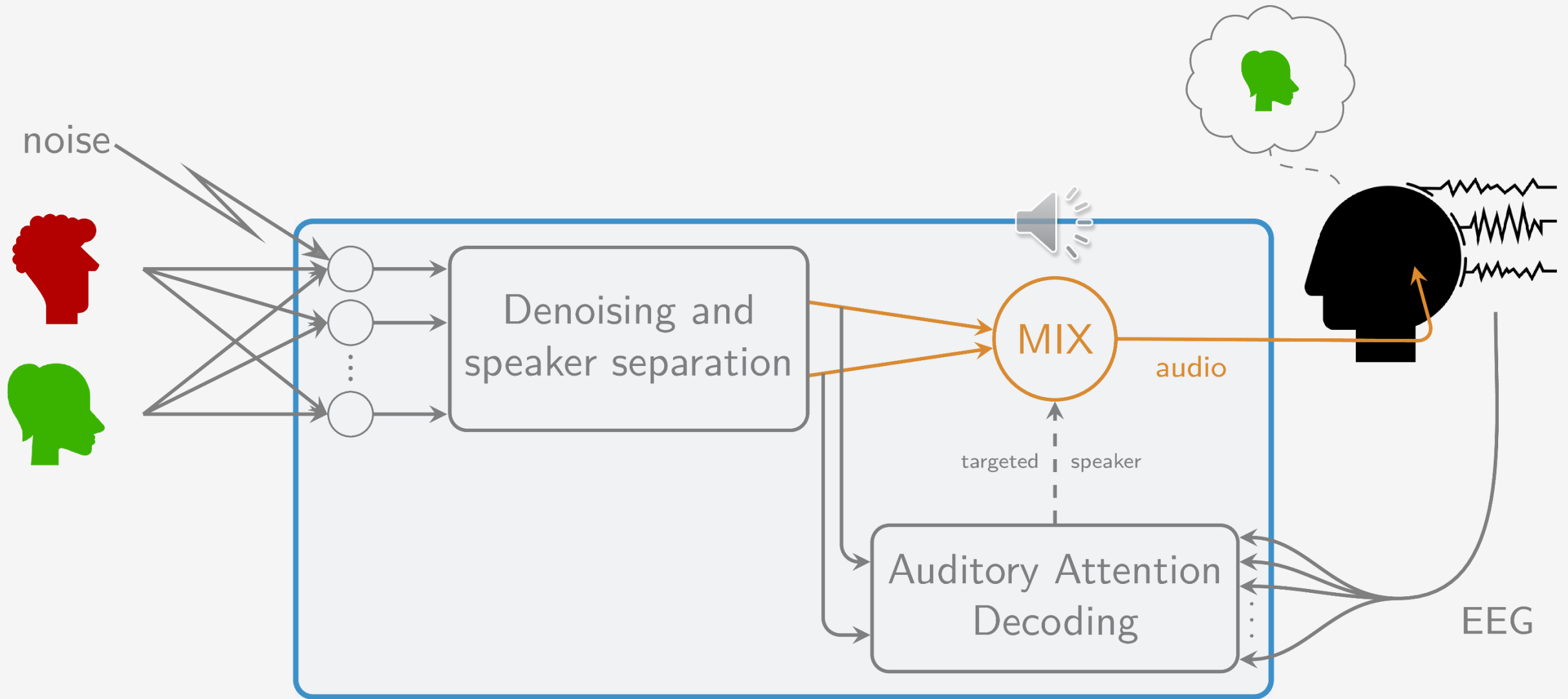


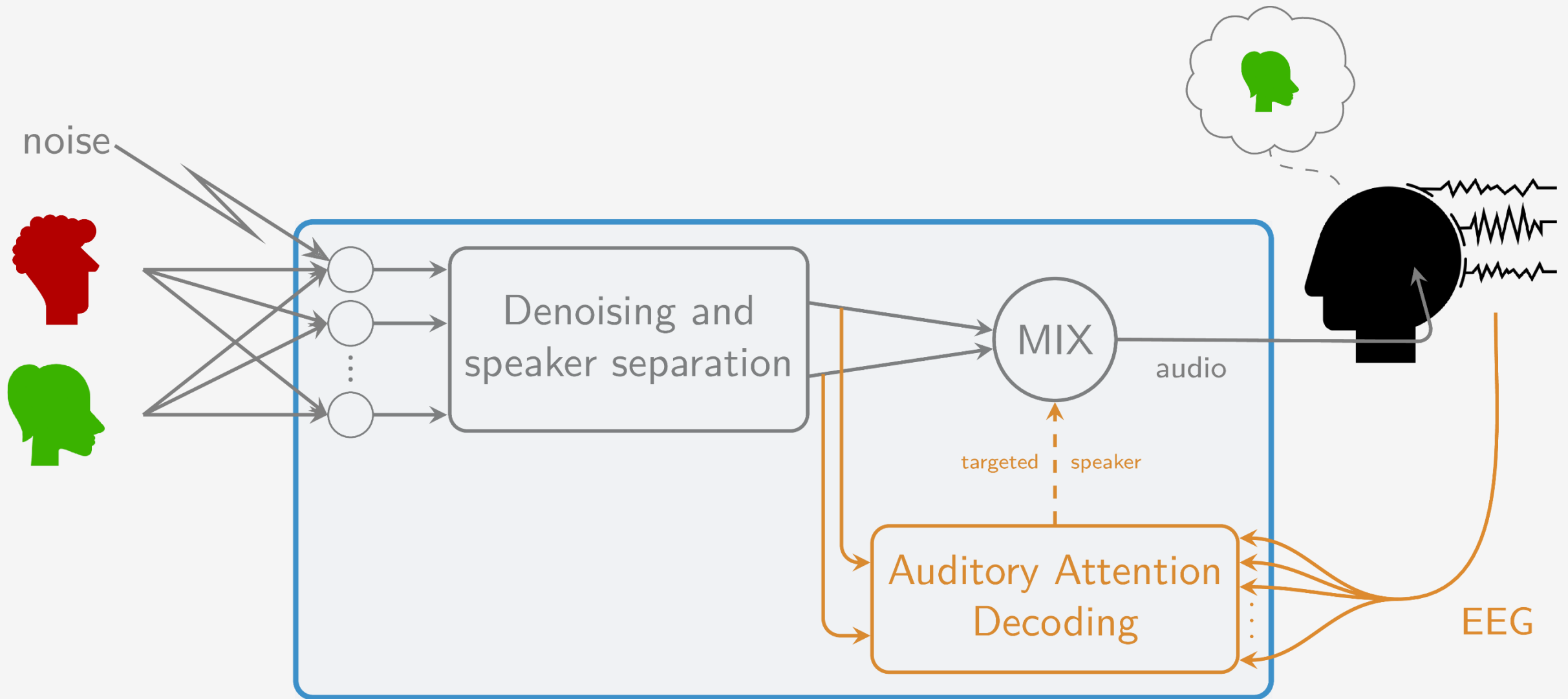


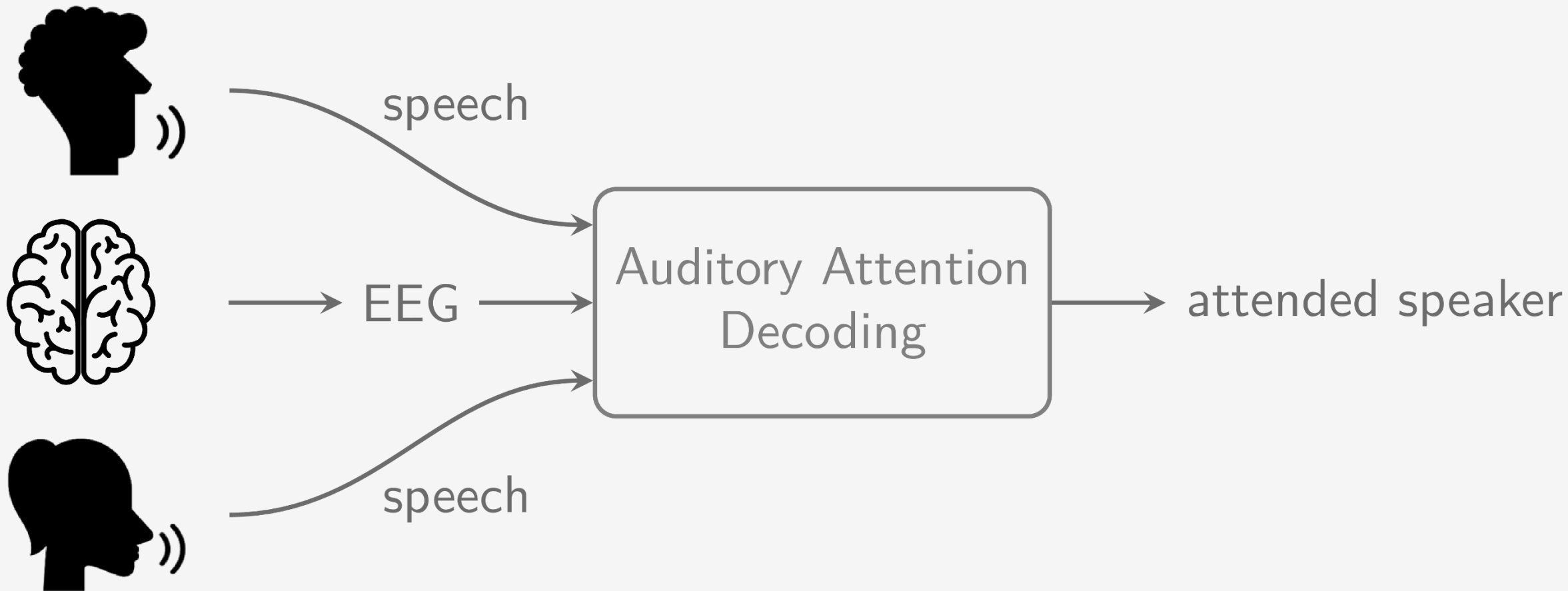
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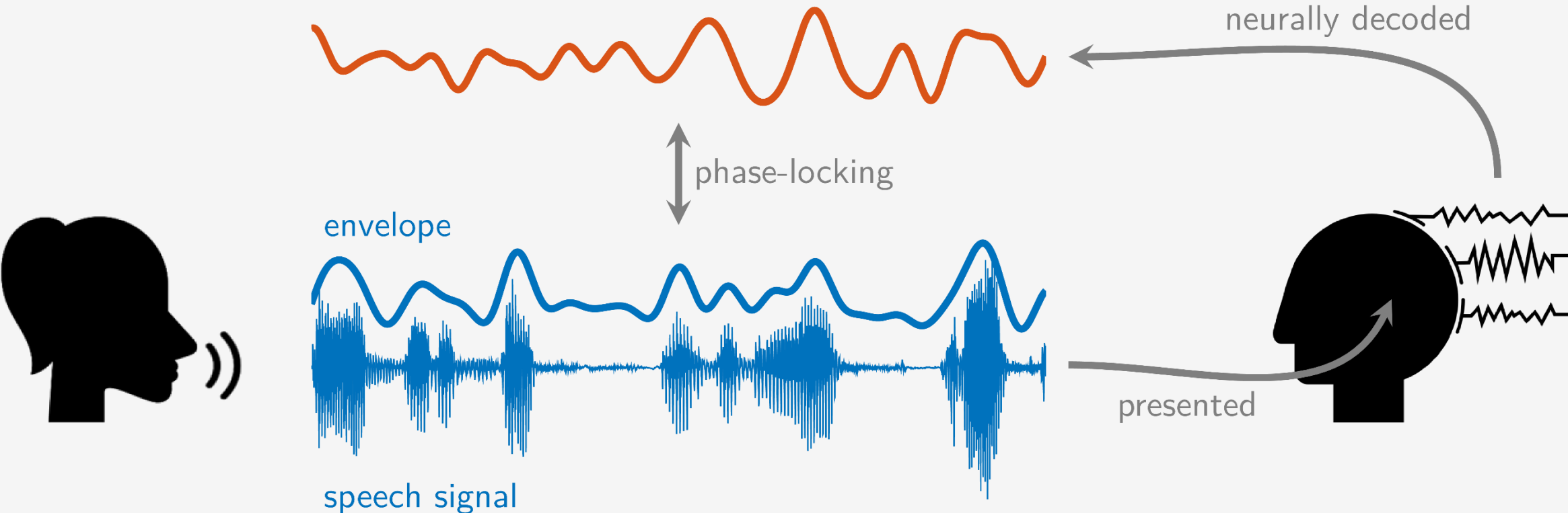


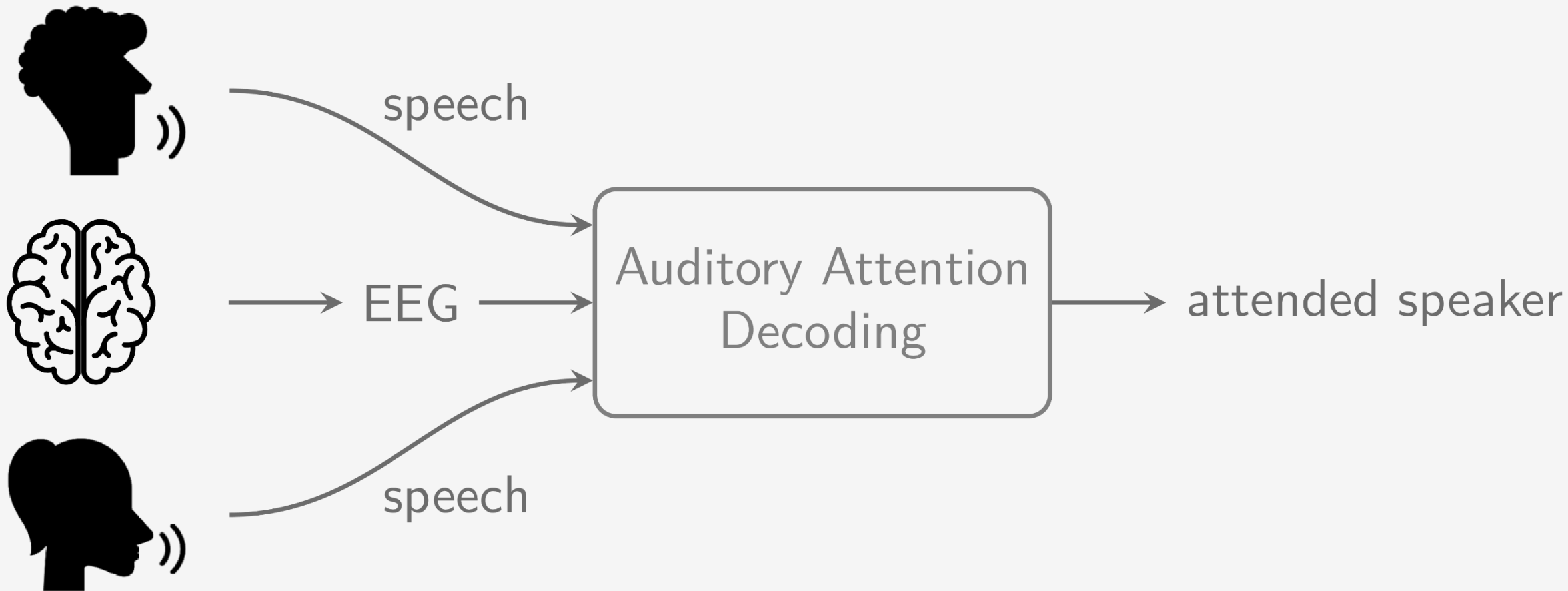


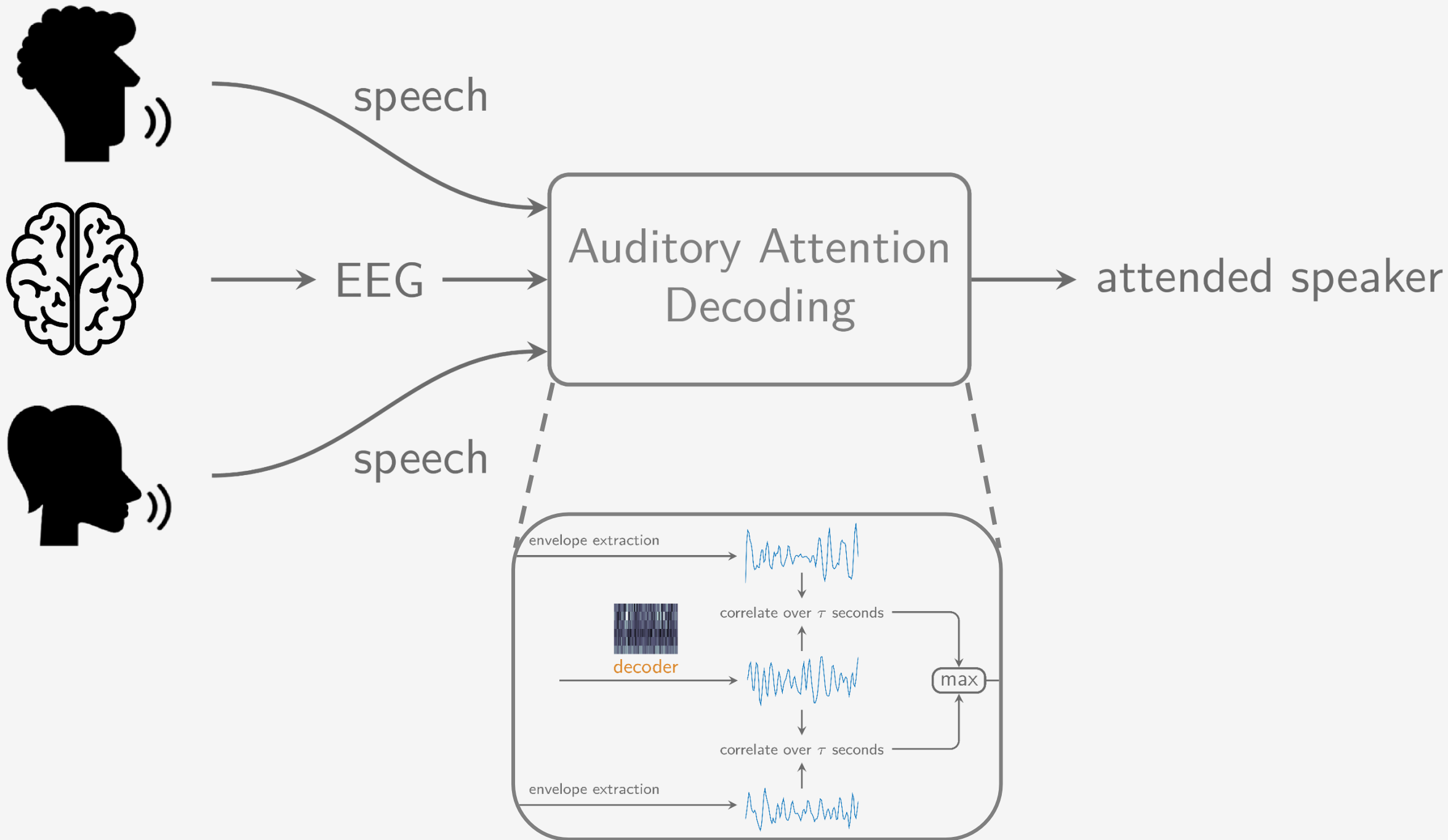




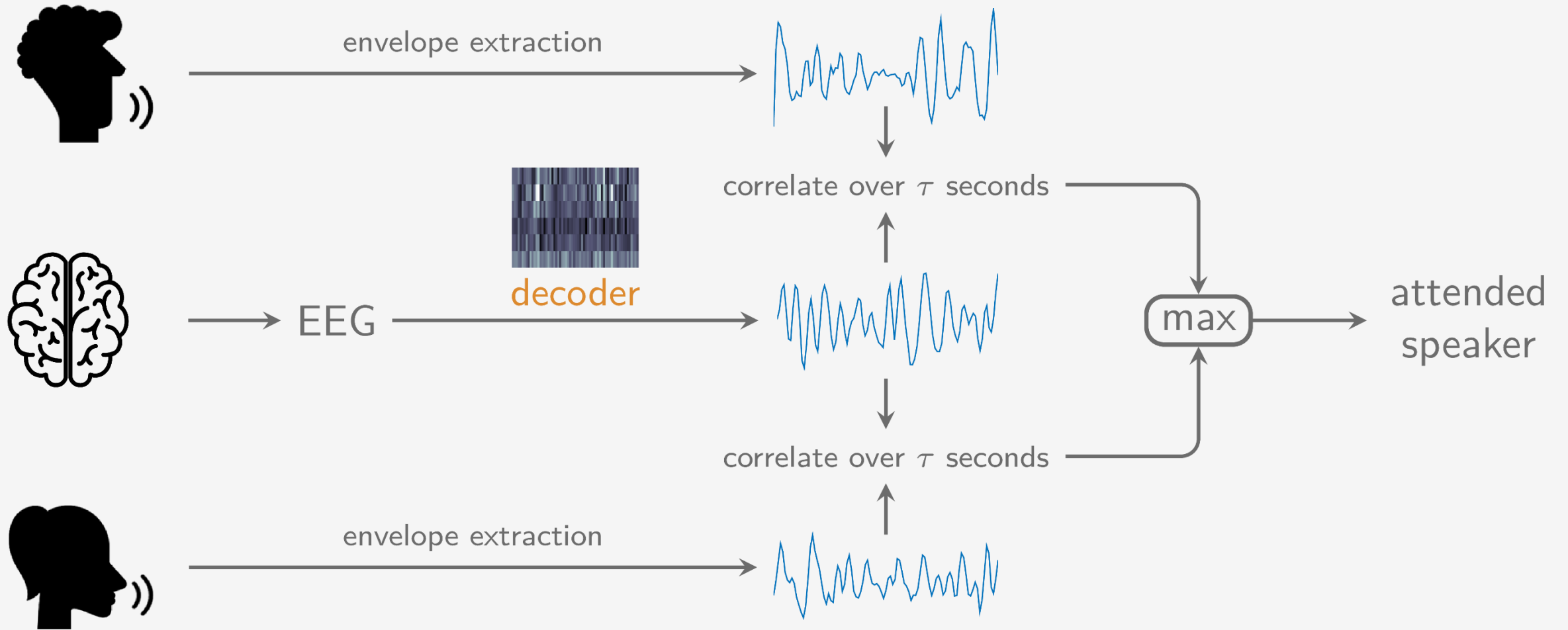
# Neural tracking of speech



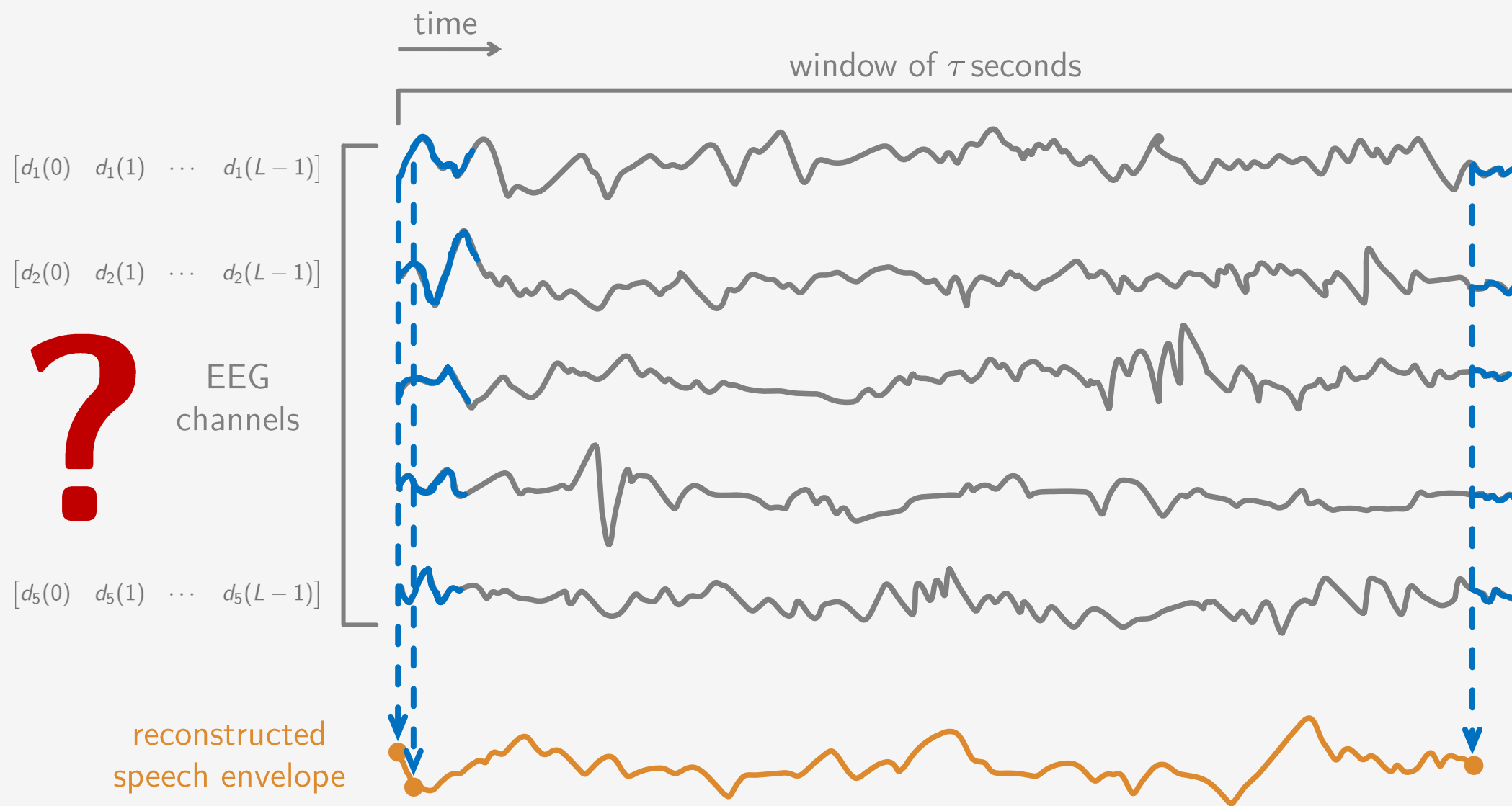




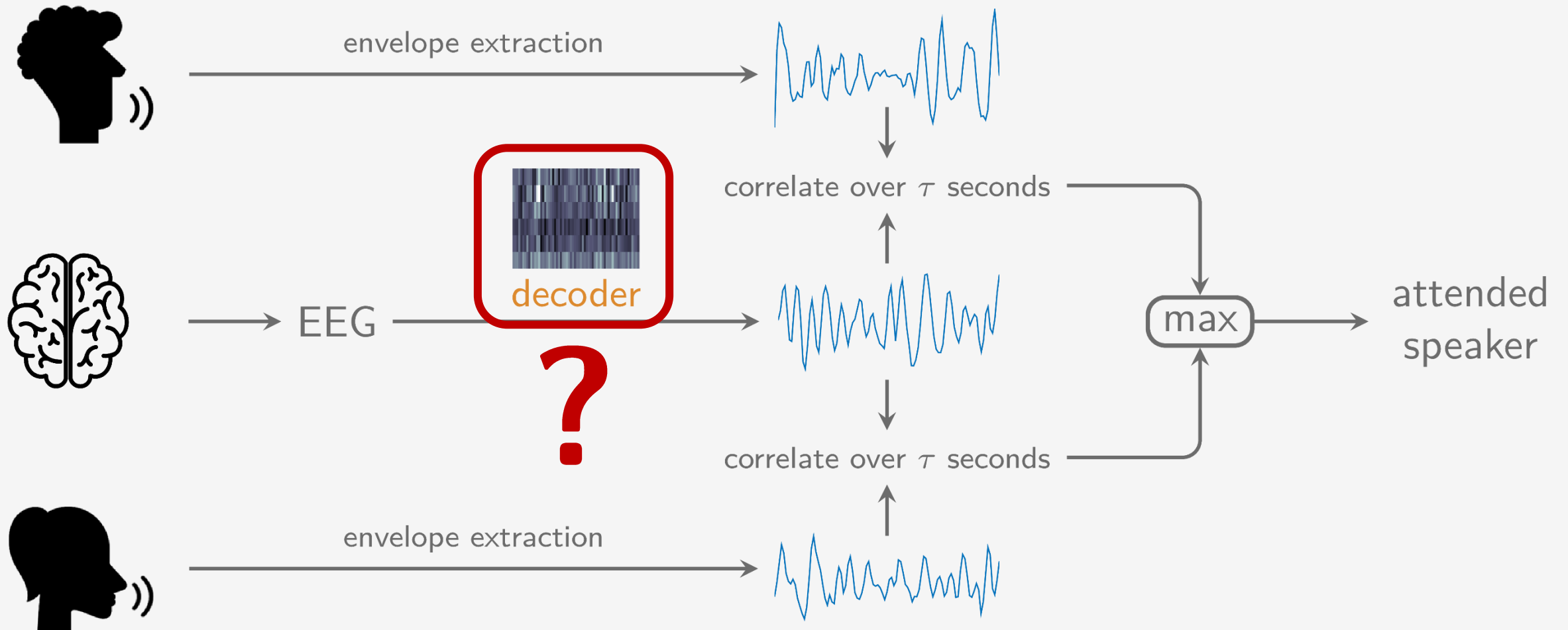
# Stimulus reconstruction



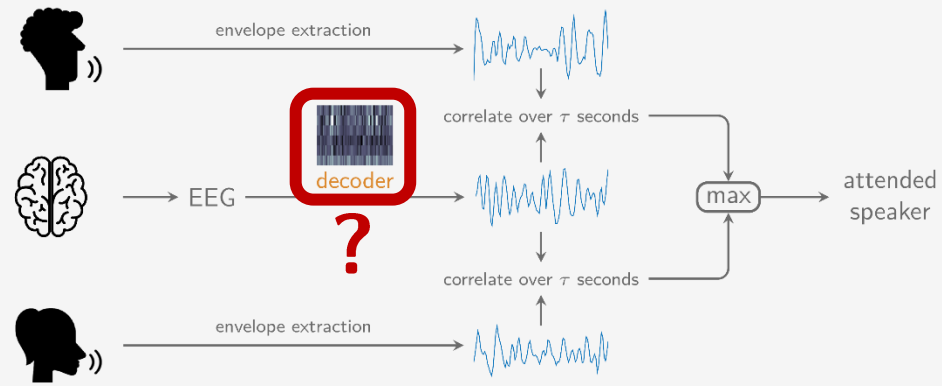
# Linear spatio-temporal decoder



# Stimulus reconstruction – backward decoding



# Least-squares decoding



Target



$$\hat{\mathbf{d}} = \underset{\mathbf{d}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|\mathbf{s}_a - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{d}\|_2^2$$

Solution

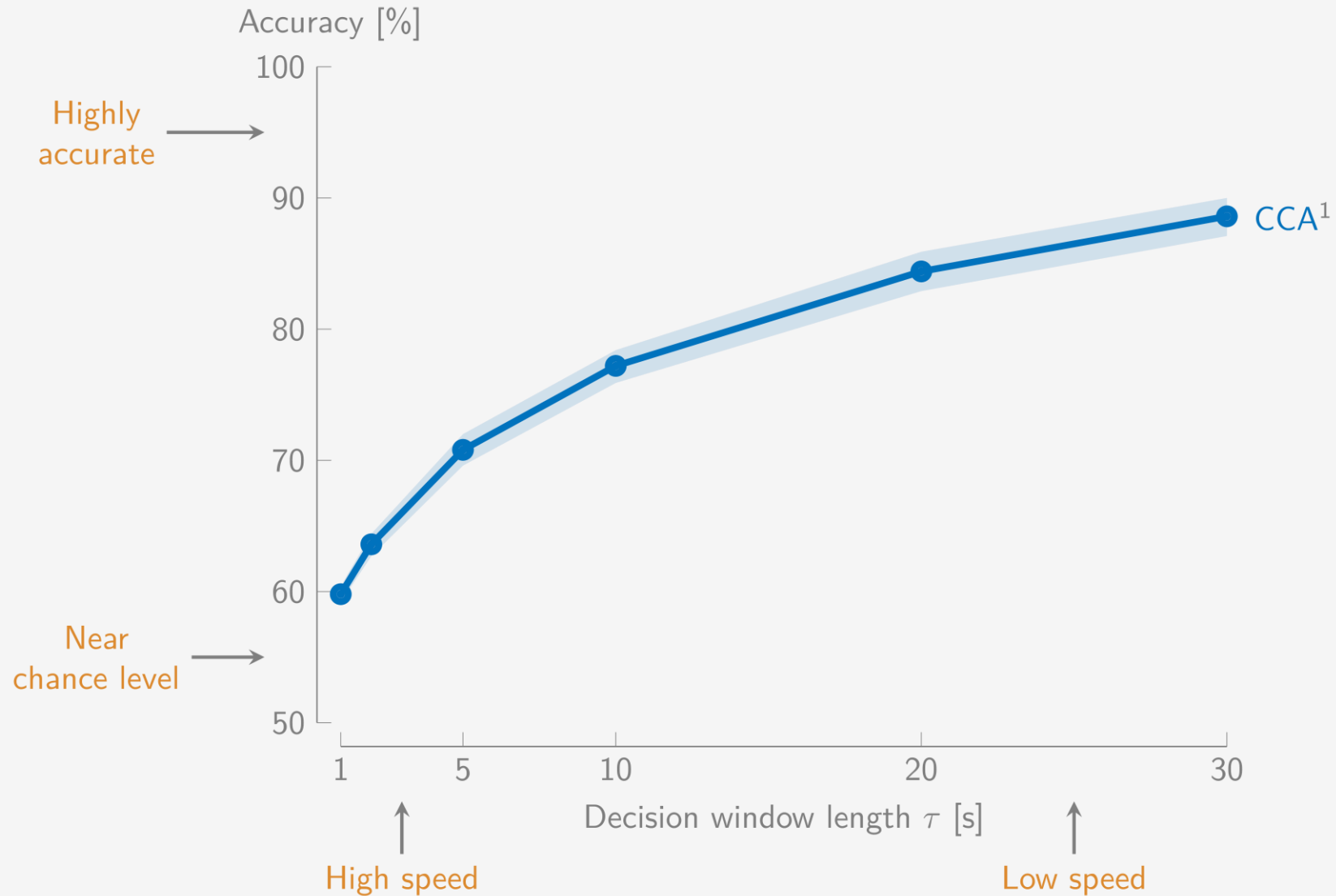
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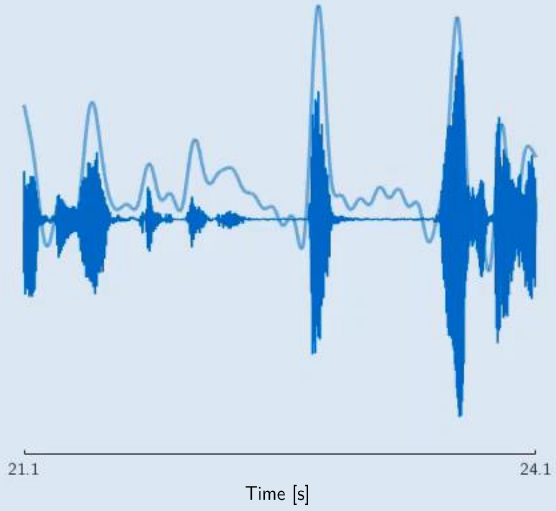


# Accuracy-speed tradeoff for stimulus reconstruction

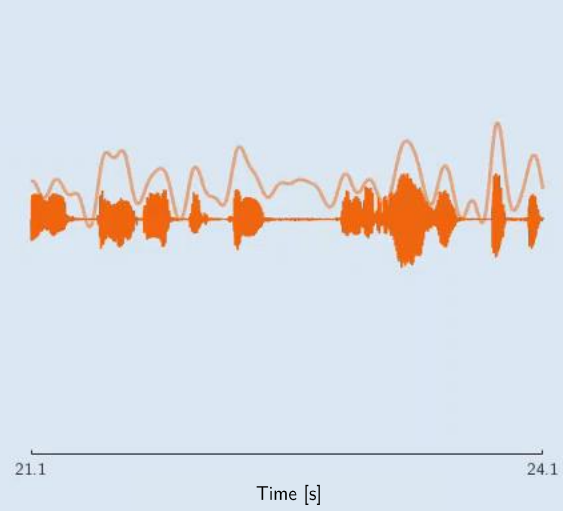


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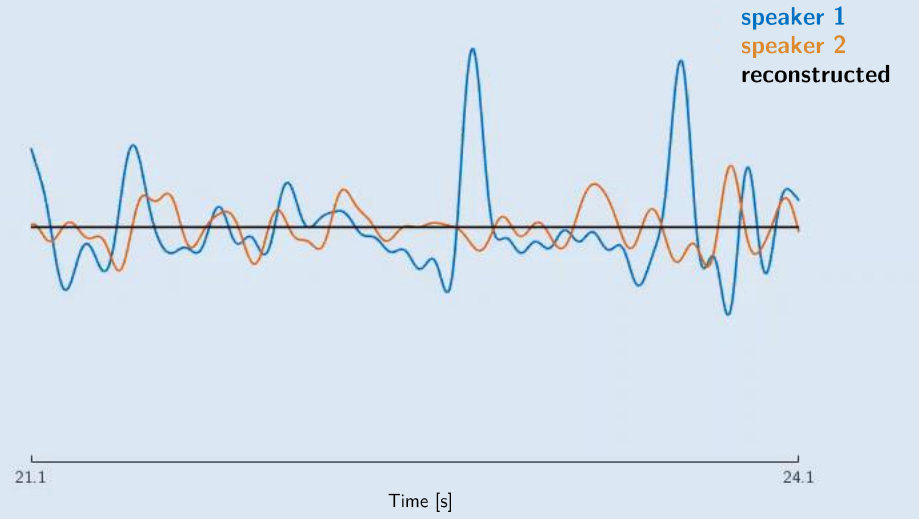
Speaker 1 (attention)



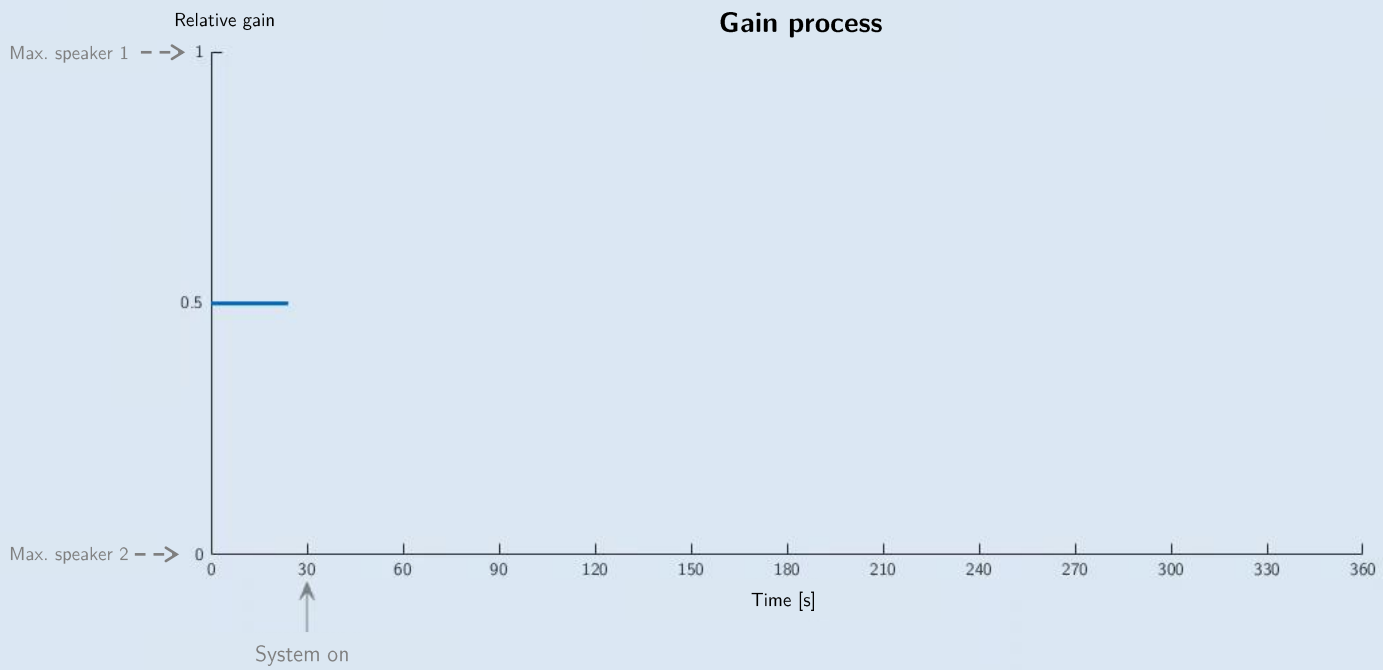
Speaker 2 (no attention)



Envelopes

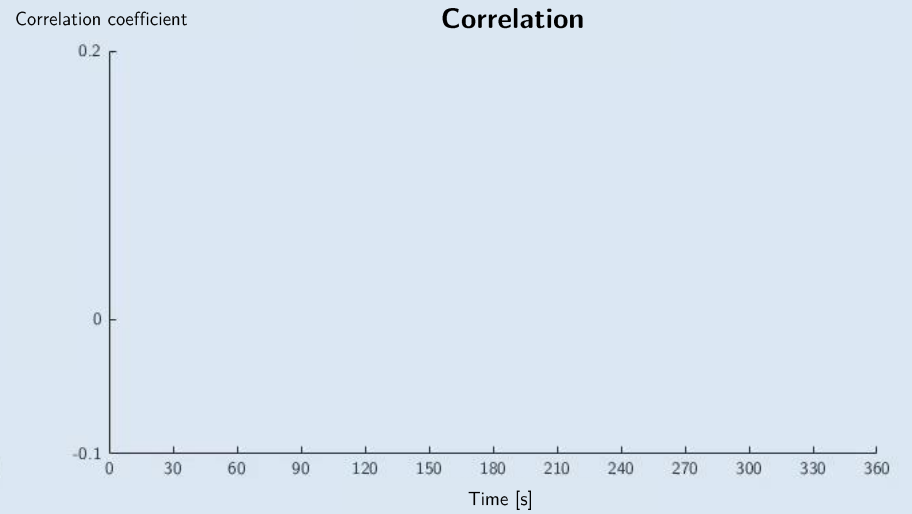


Gain process



Wrong decision

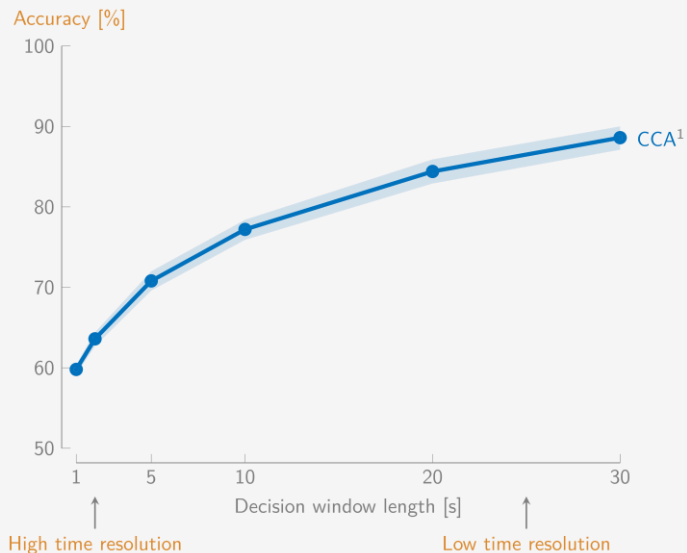
Correlation



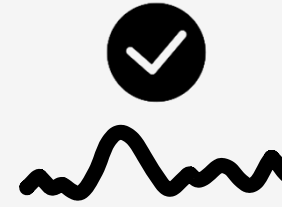
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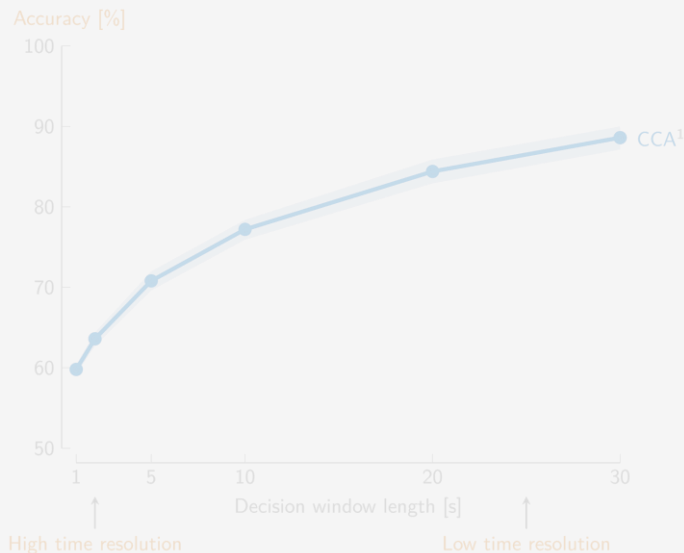
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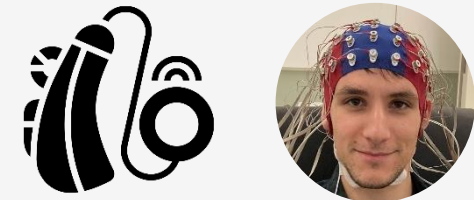
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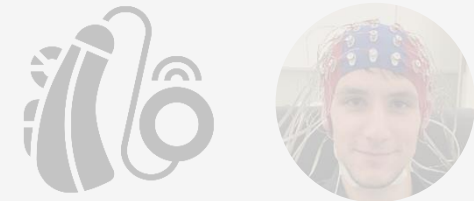


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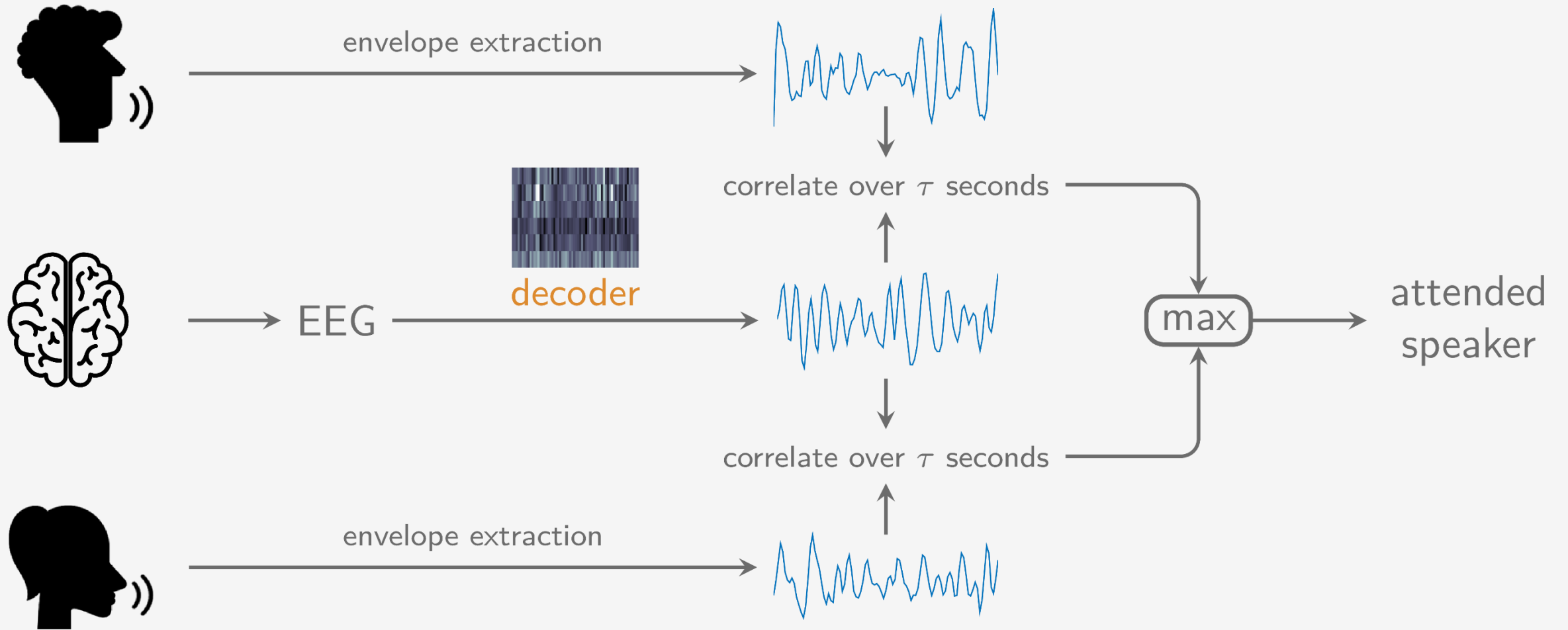


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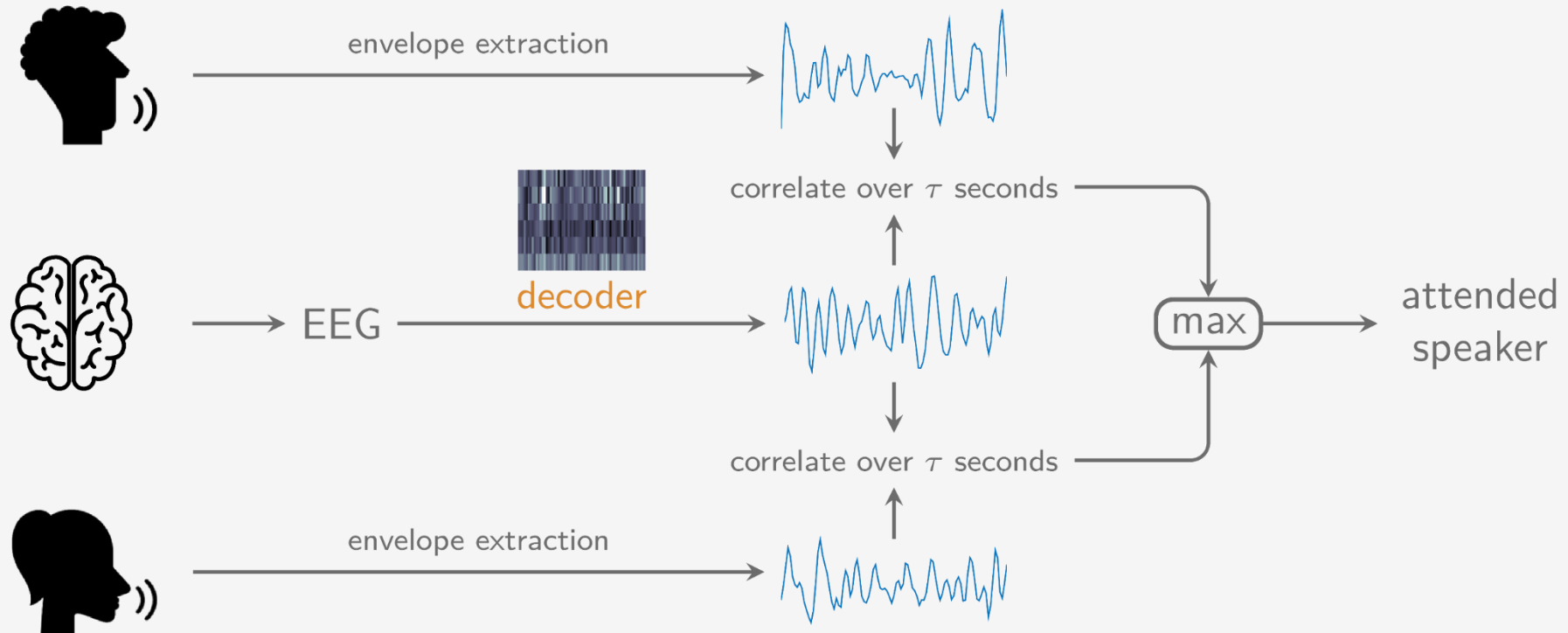


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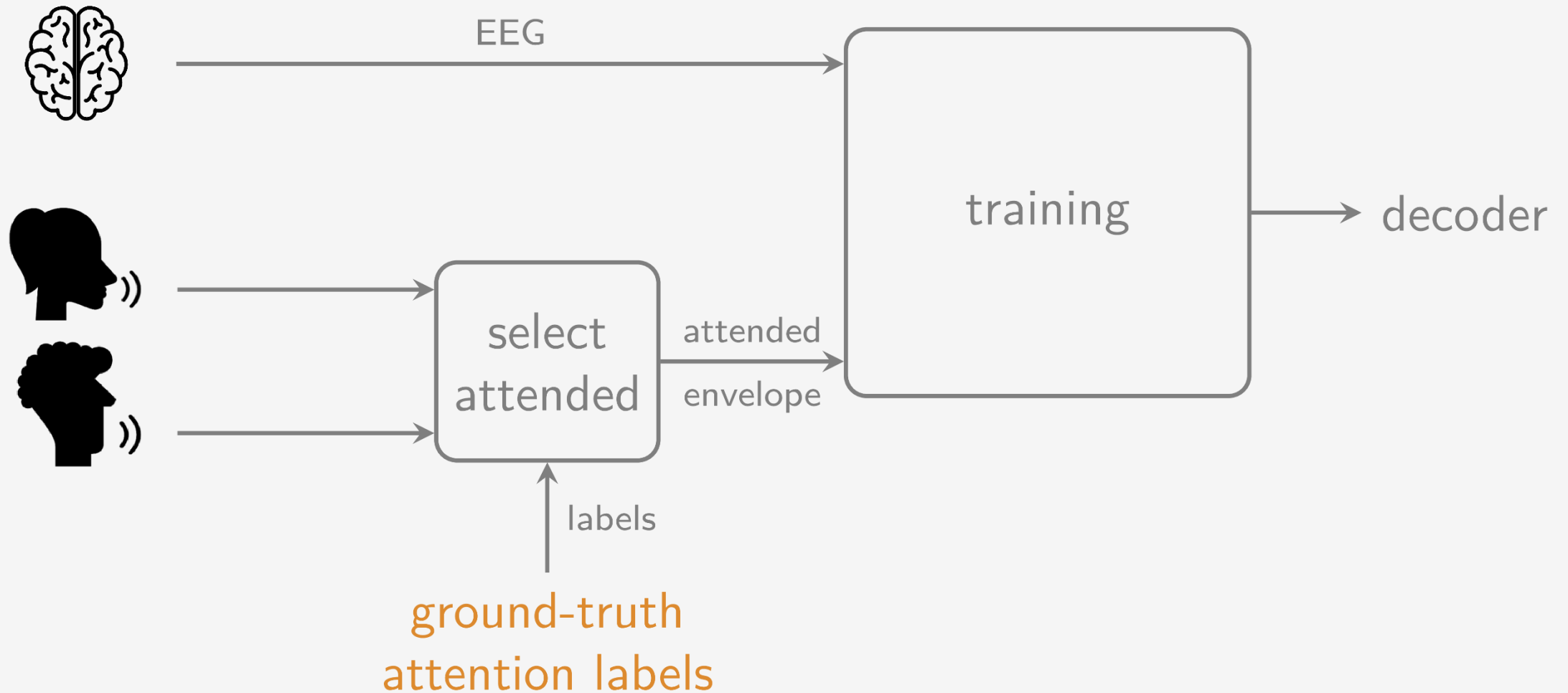
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User-specific

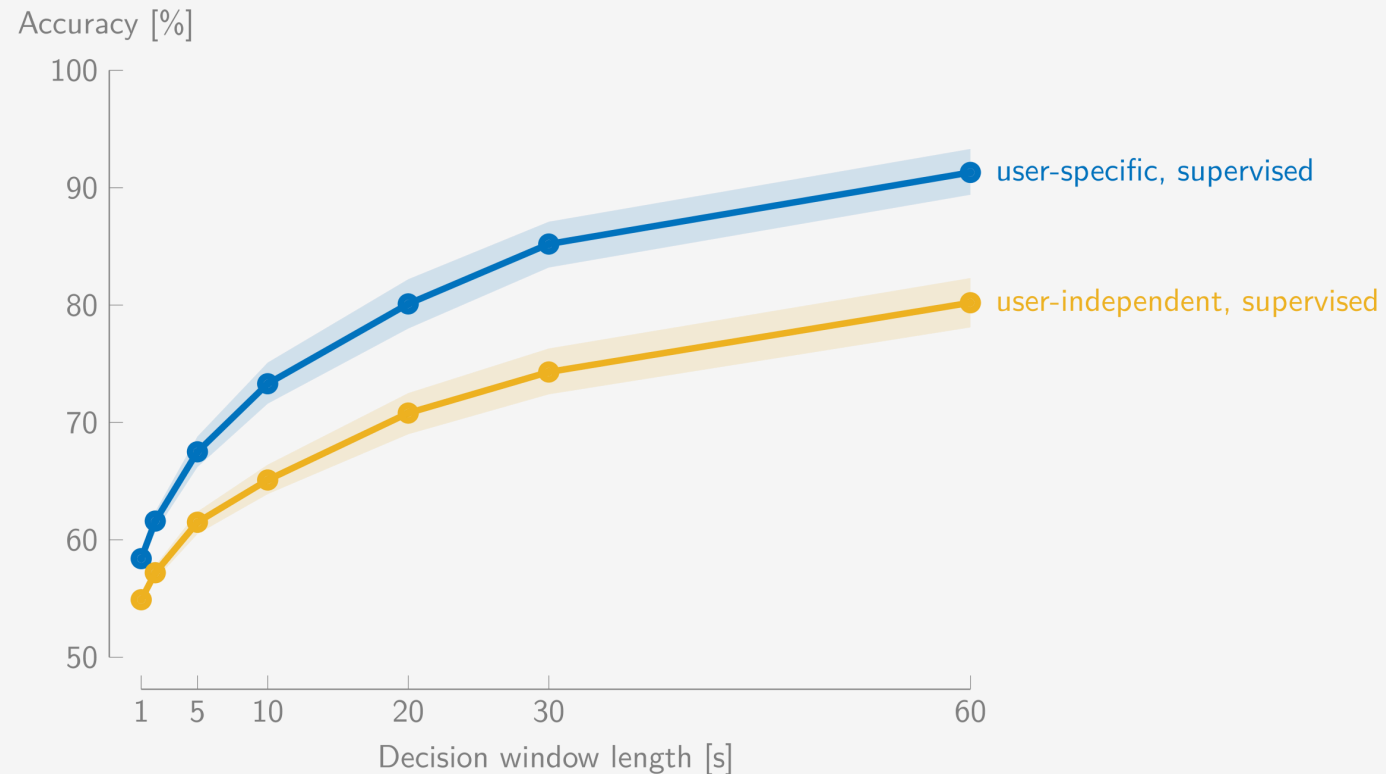


User-independent

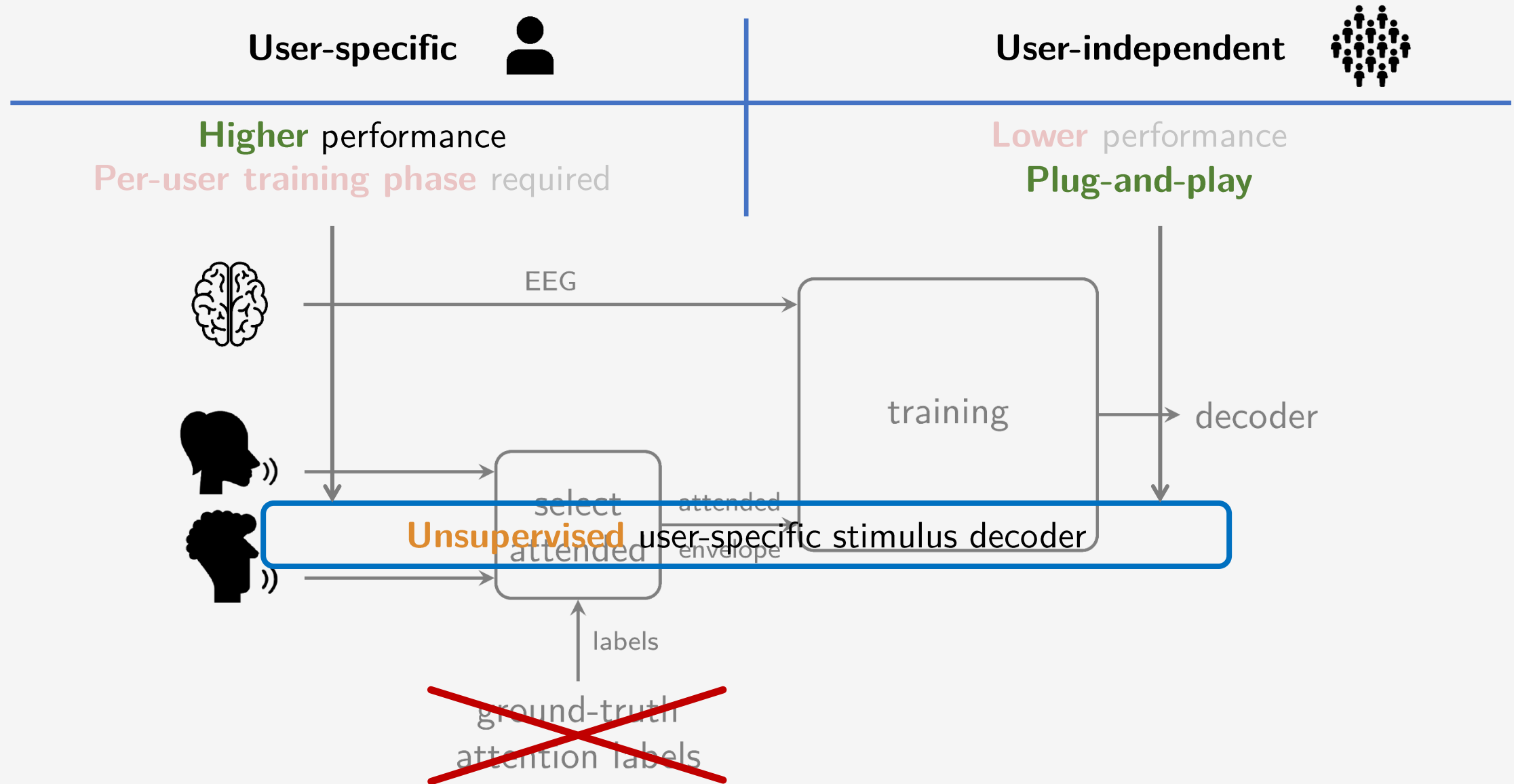


Higher performance  
Per-user training phase required

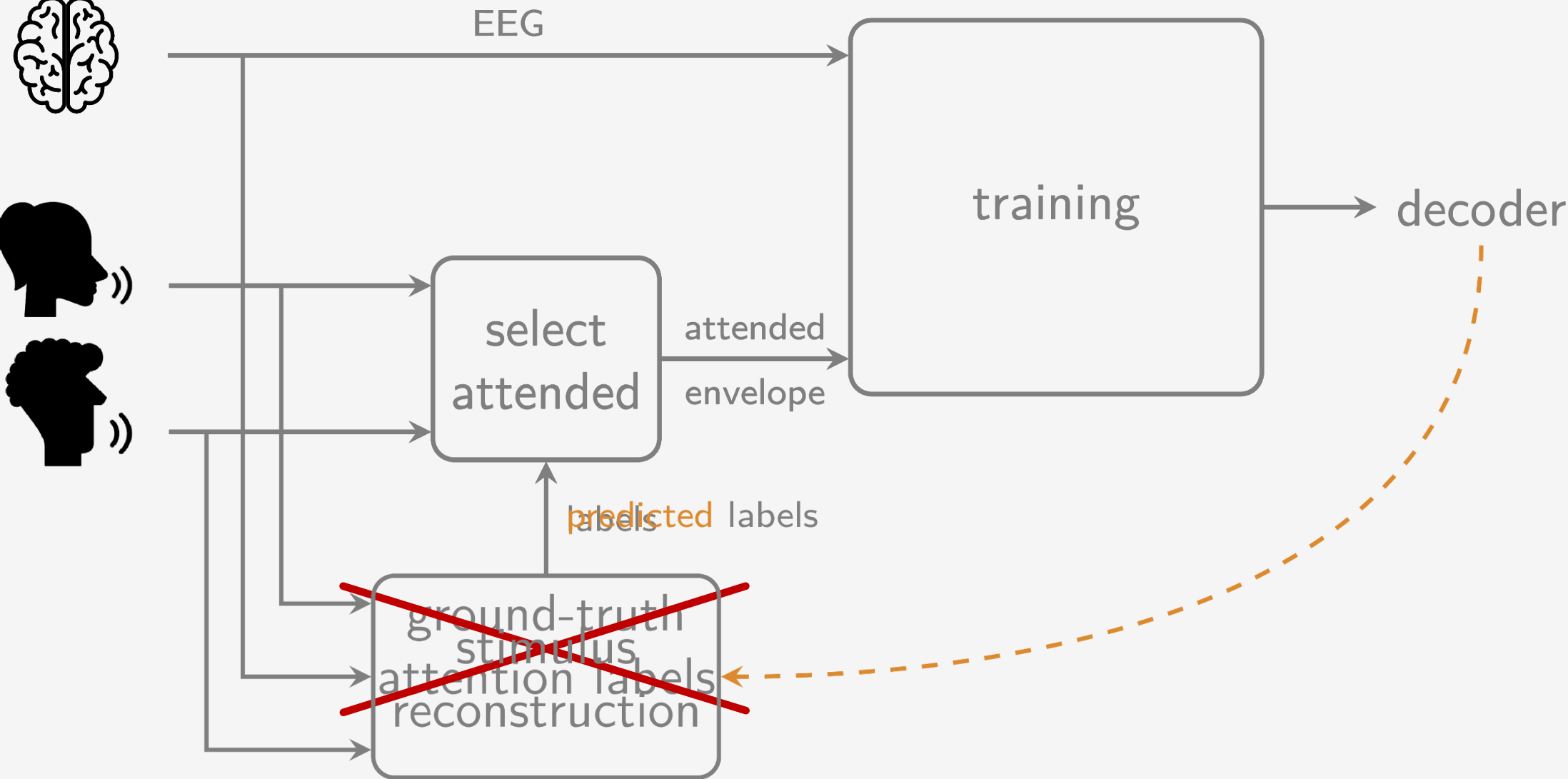
Lower performance  
Plug-and-play

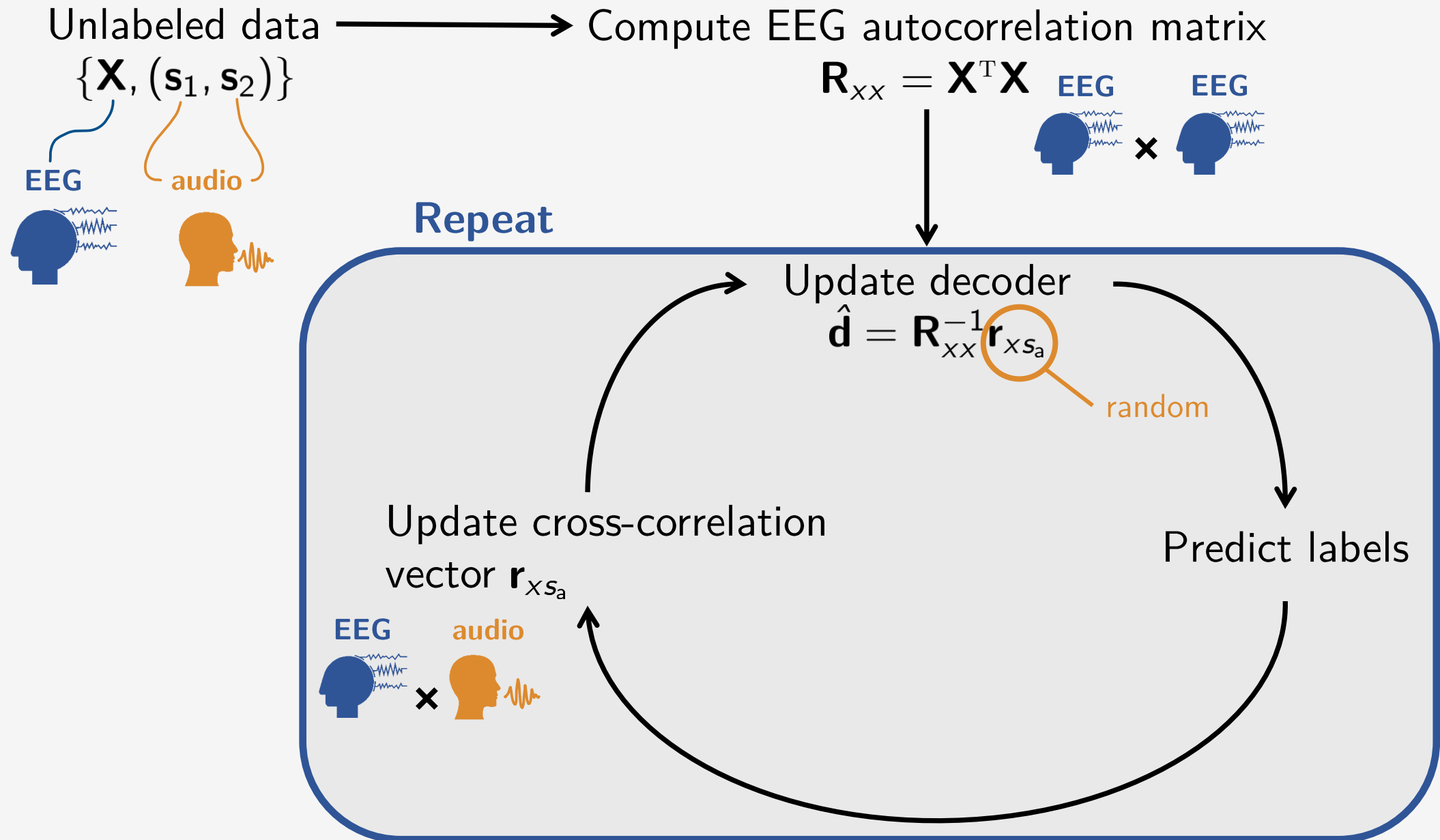


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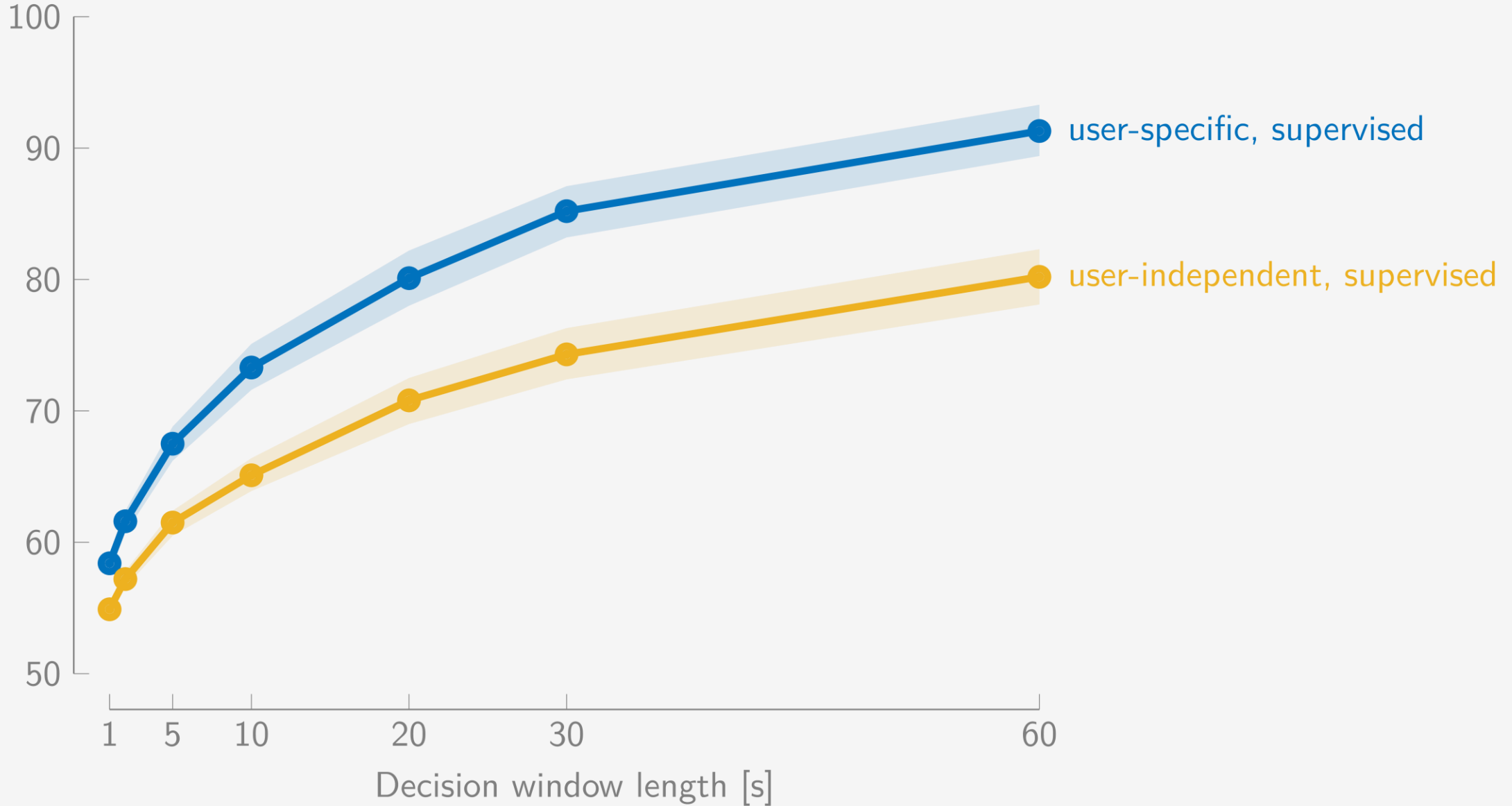


# Unsupervised training of the stimulus decoder

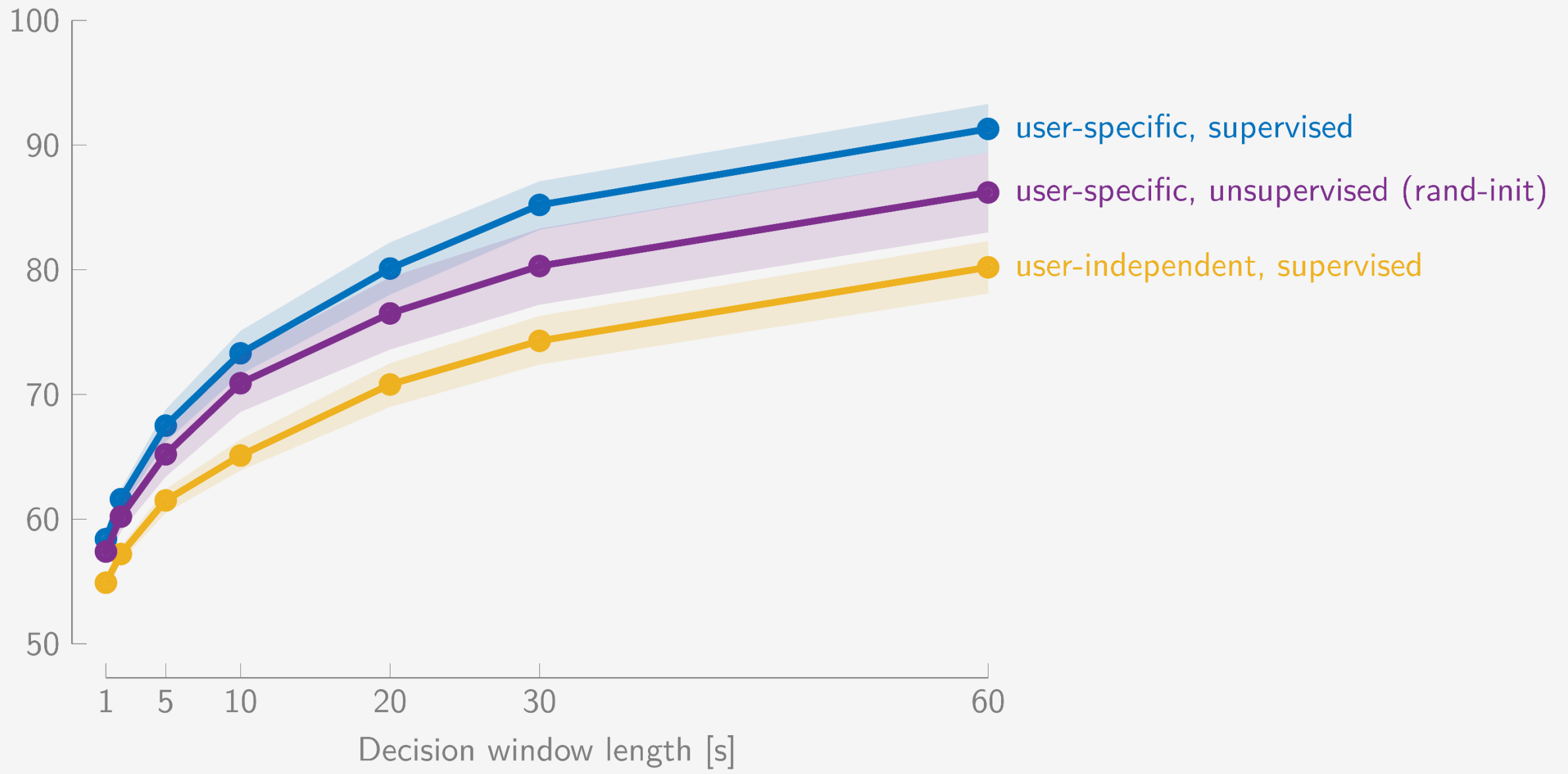




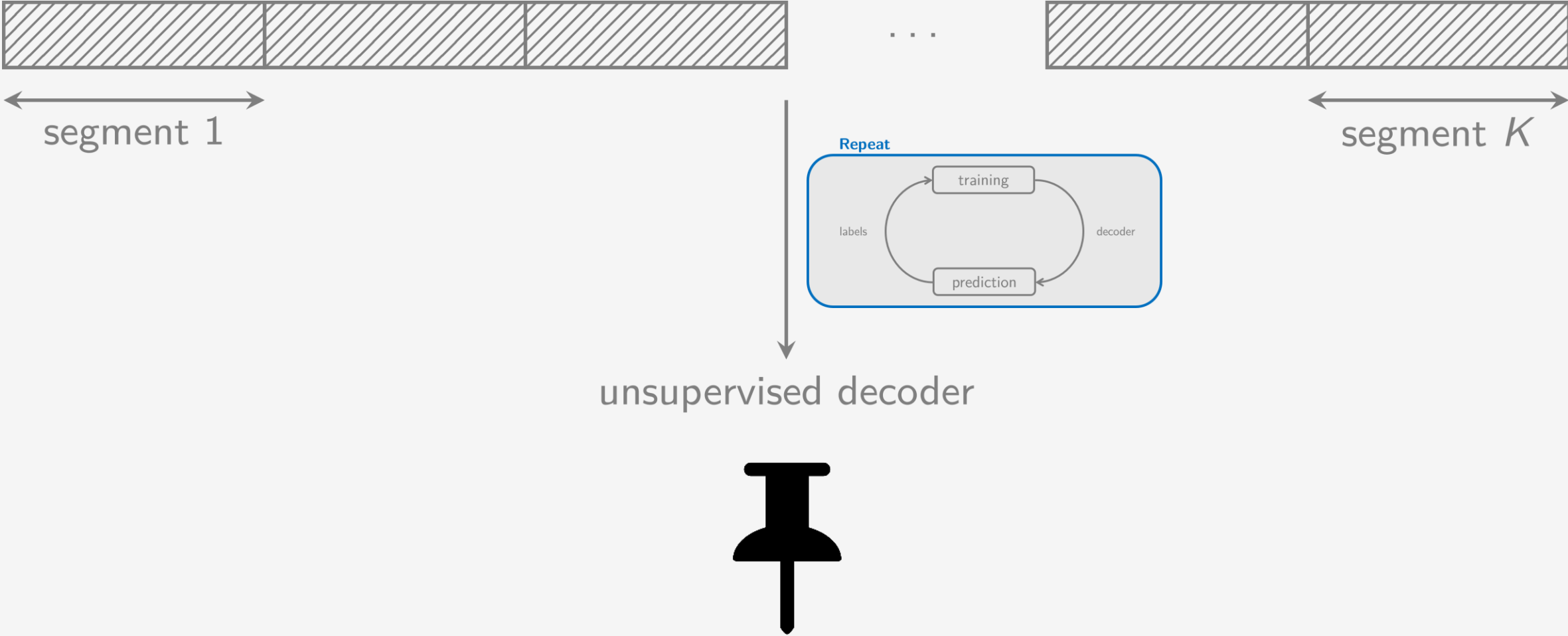
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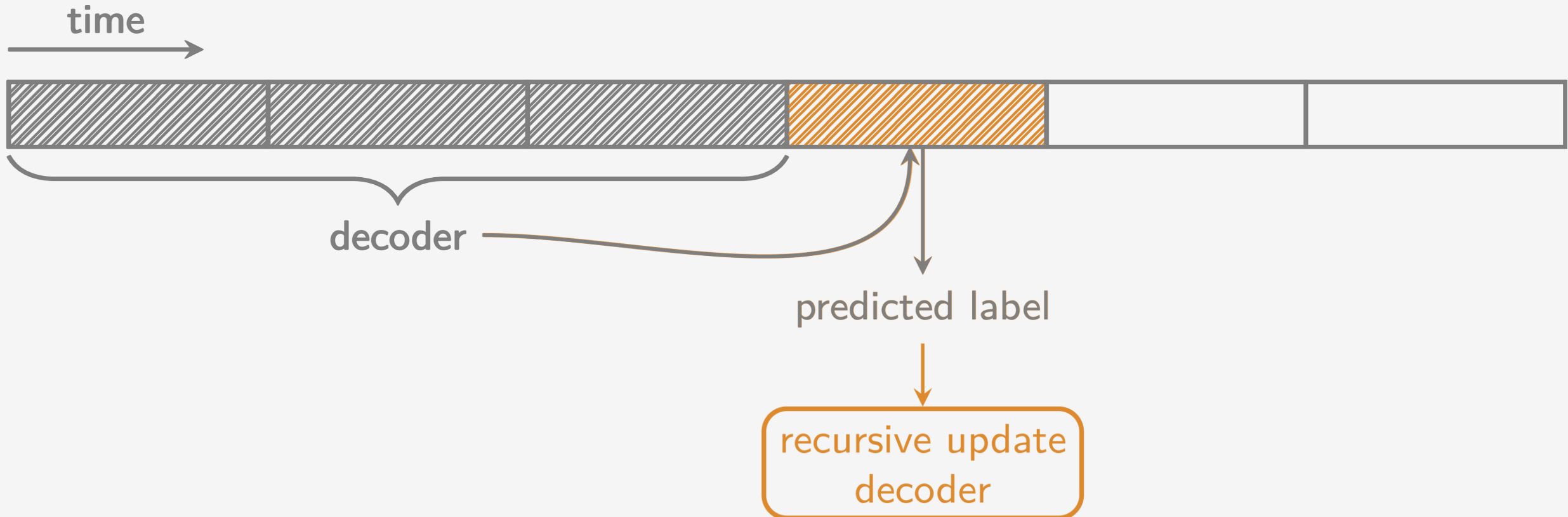


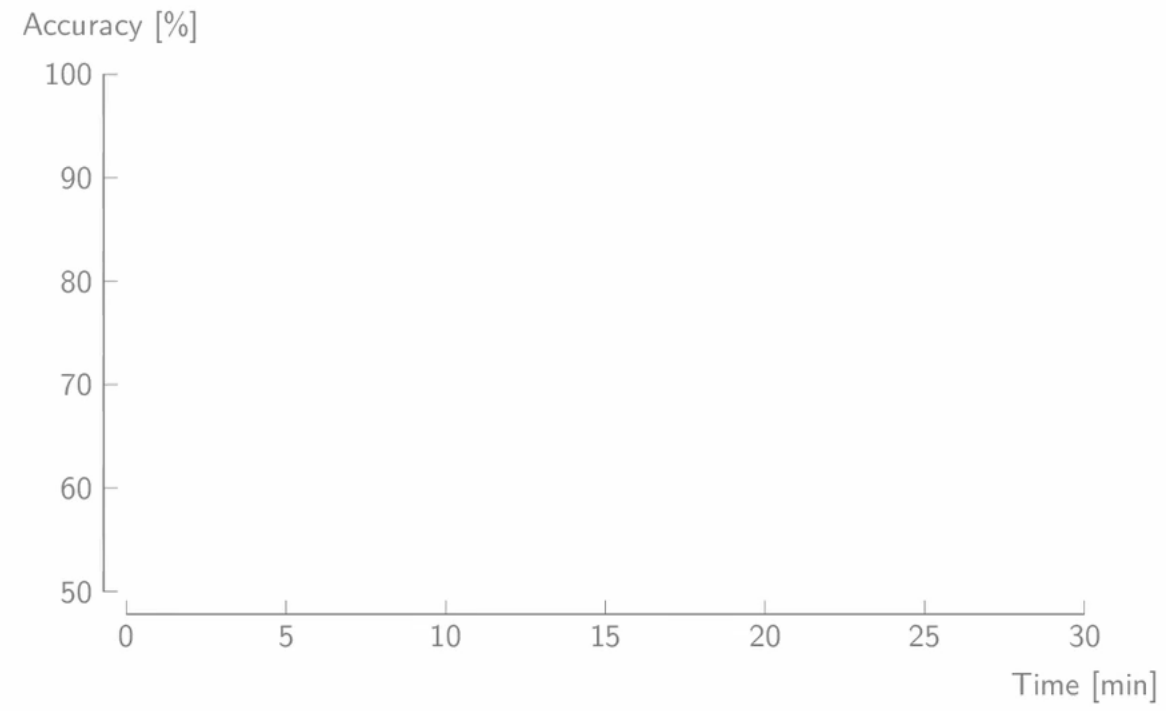
# Unsupervised stimulus decoder is still **fixed**



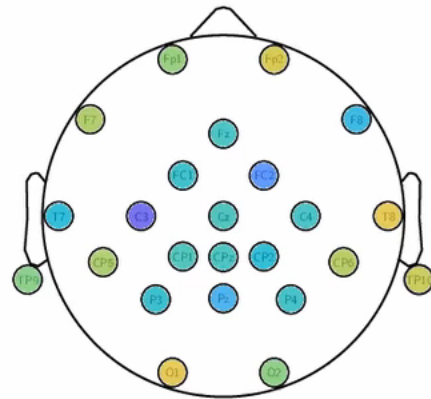


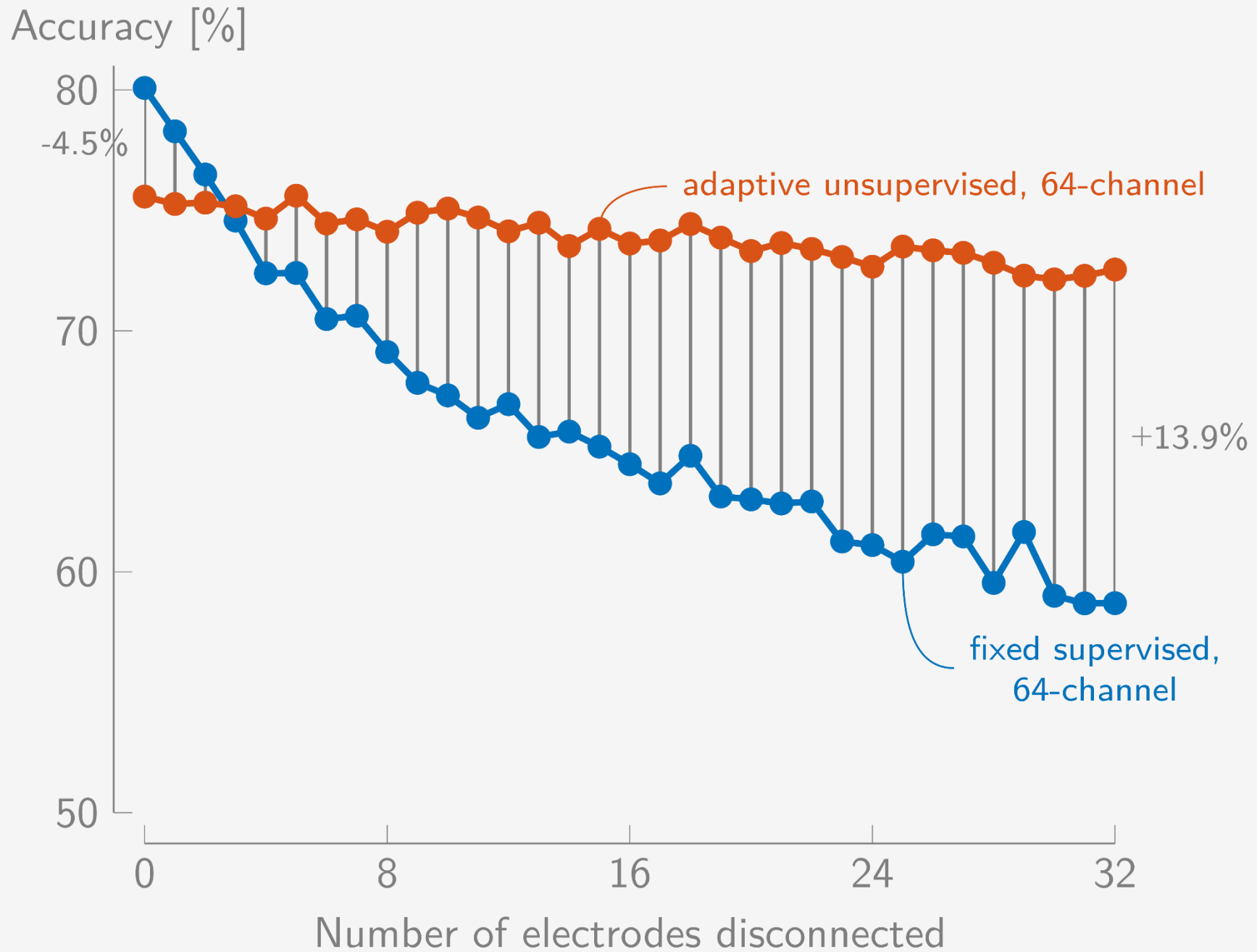
# Time-adaptive unsupervised stimulus reconstruction decoding

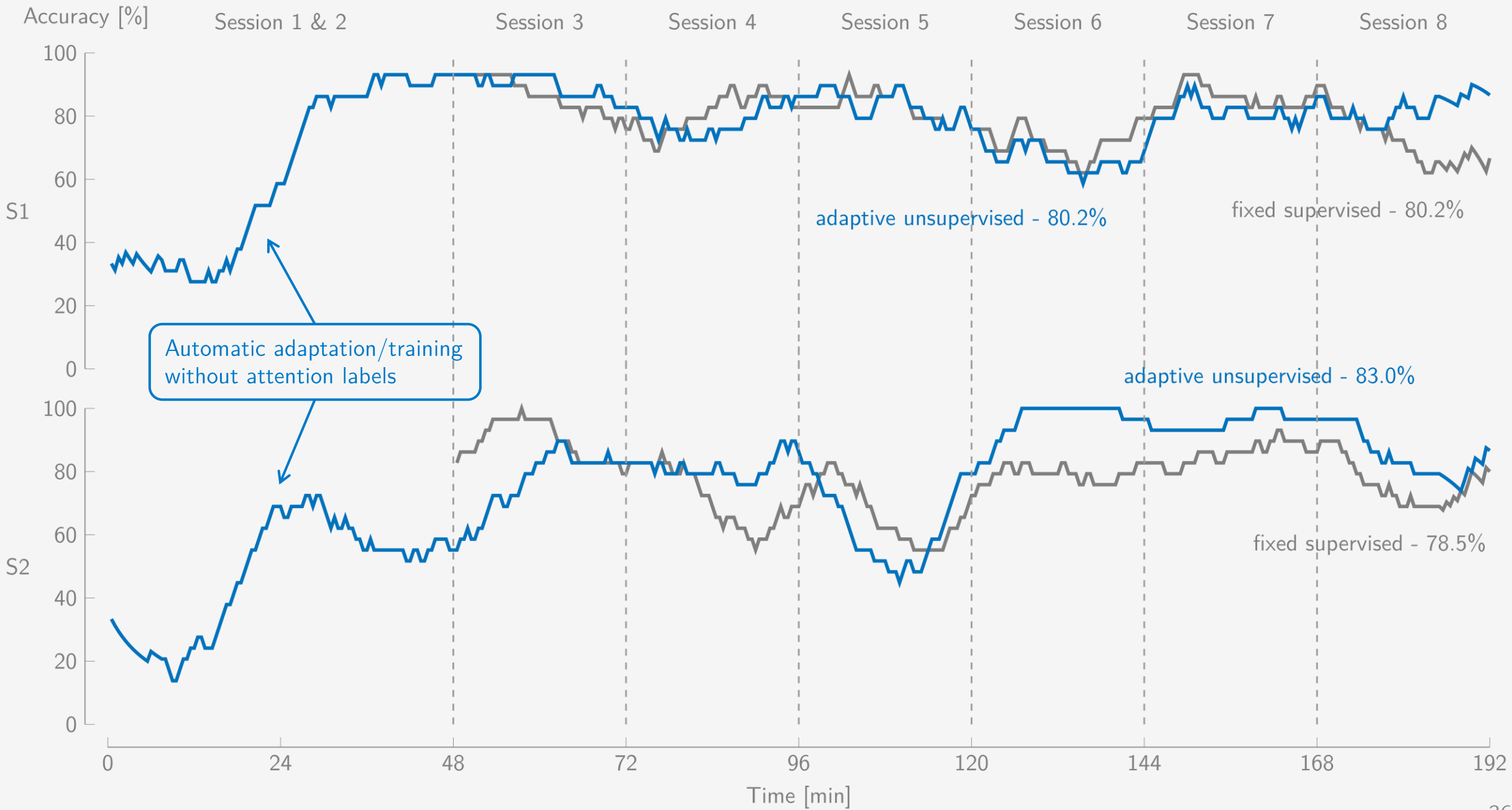




**Fixed supervised decoder**







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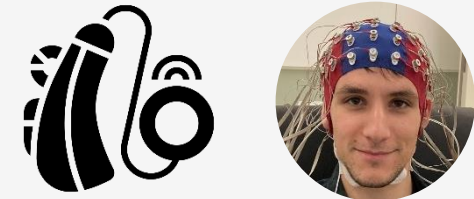


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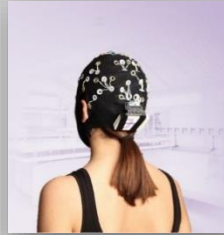
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# EEG in real life?

## Wireless EEG headset

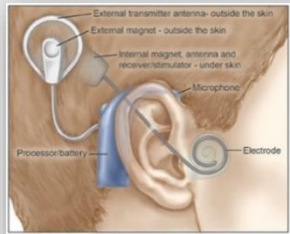


Cognionics



mBrainTrain

## Miniaturized EEG



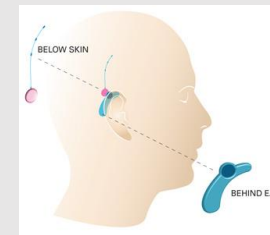
Record from CI electrode



Pasted EEG module  
Lehmkuhle et al. (2015)



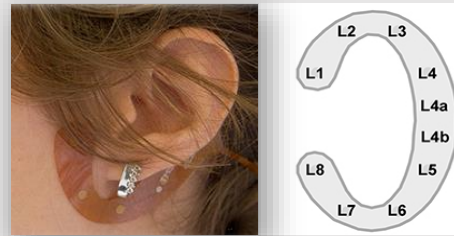
Seize-IT device



Subcutaneously  
Juhl et al. (2010)



In-ear EEG  
Kidmose et al. (2013)



Around-the-ear EEG ('cEEGrid')  
Mirkovic et al. (2016)



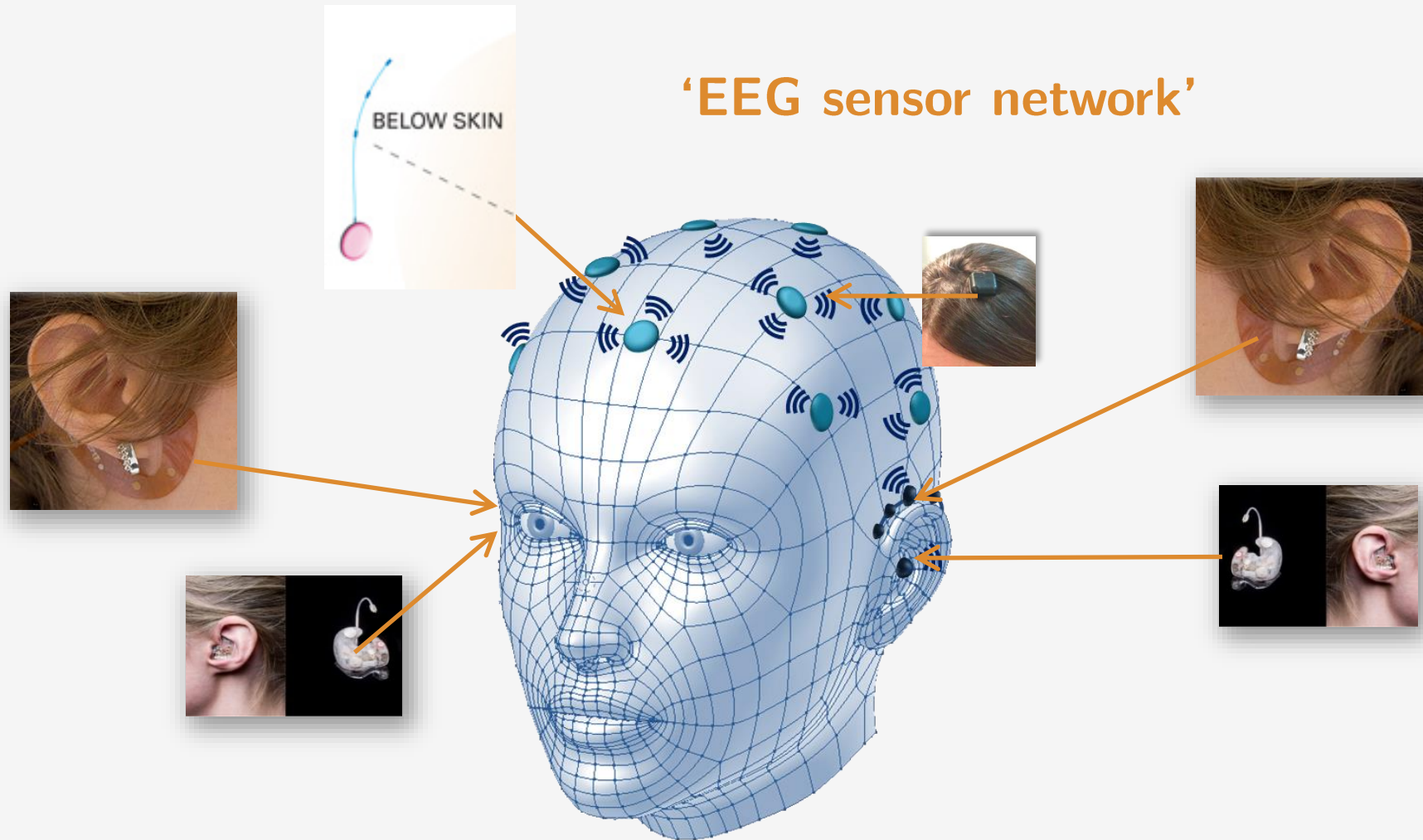
Printable e-skin  
Rogers et al. (2011)

performance



comfort, concealability

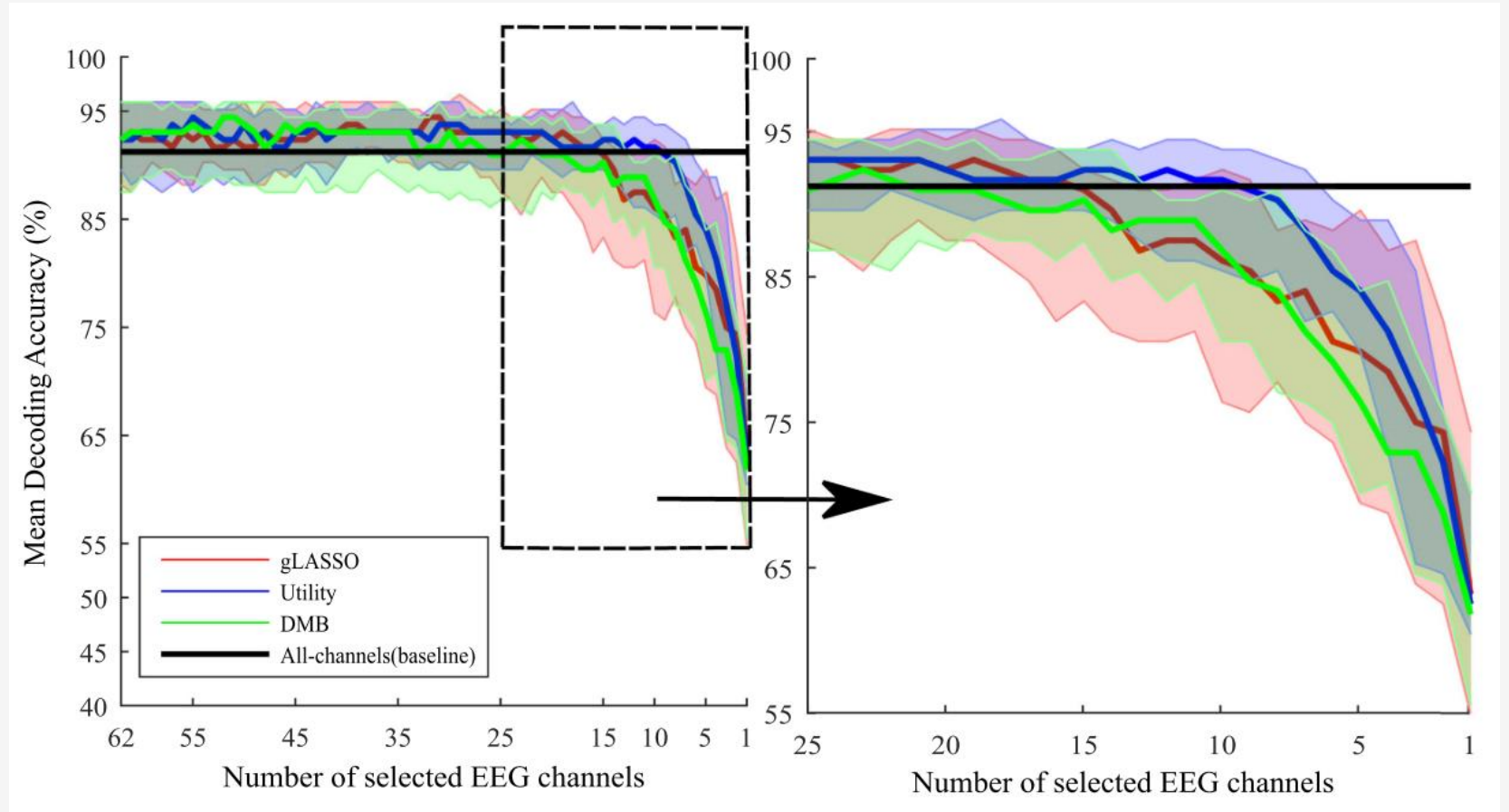
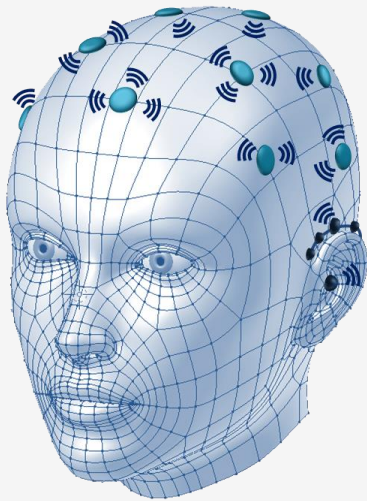
Combine multiple miniature EEG nodes at various positions





# Top-down: EEG channel selection

**Free placement:** 64 channels  $\rightarrow$   $\sim$ 8 channels without performance decrease

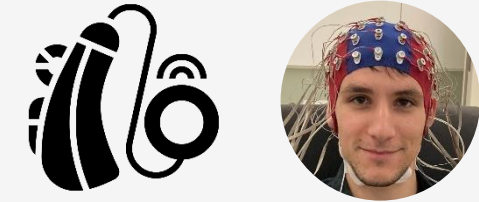


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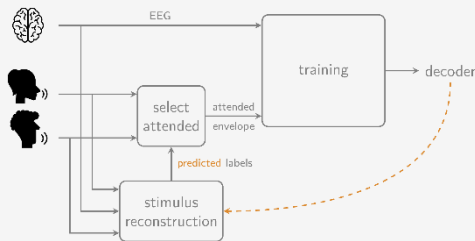


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A **time-adaptive unsupervised** stimulus reconstruction algorithm

## Solution



Towards **integrated in-ear** and **around-the-ear** EEG