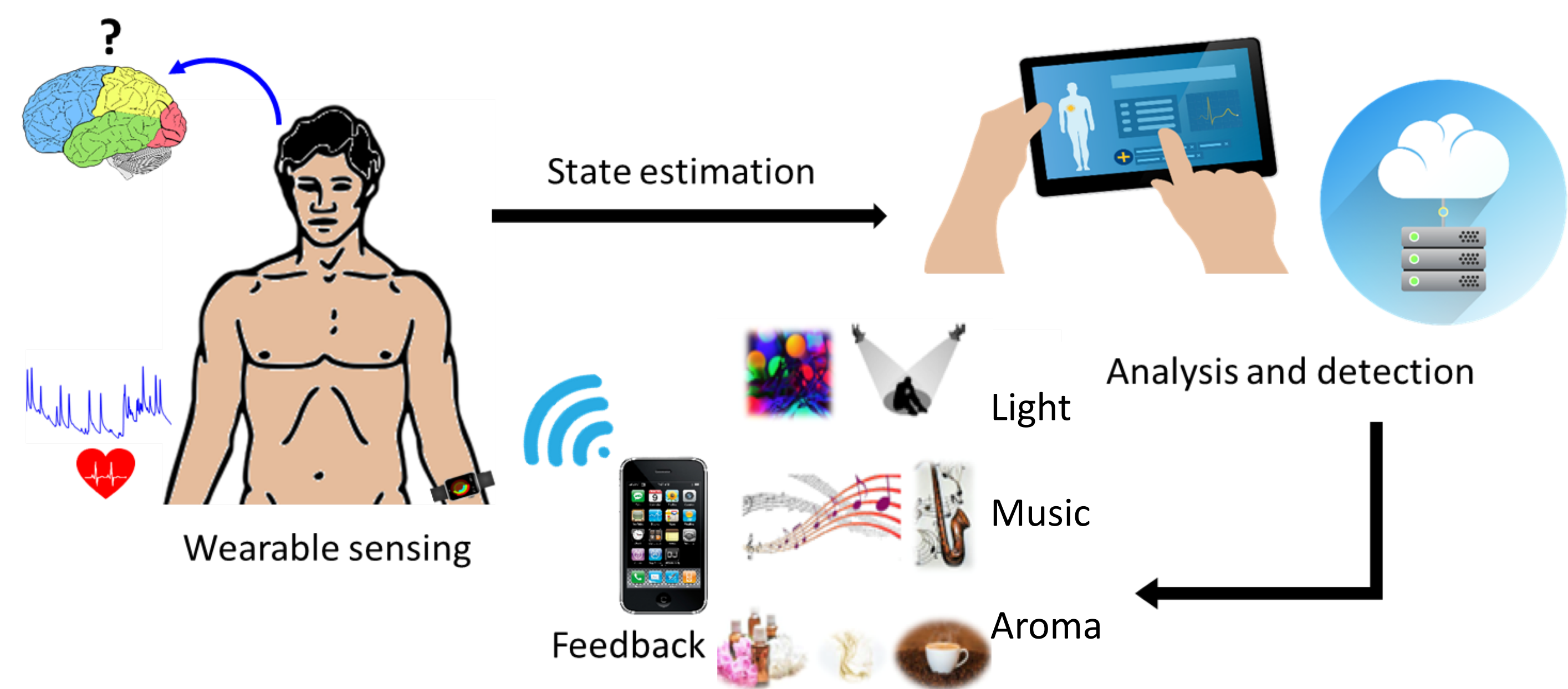


CAREER: MINDWATCH: Multimodal Intelligent Noninvasive brain state Decoders for Wearable Adaptive Closed-loop architectures (Award#: 1942585)

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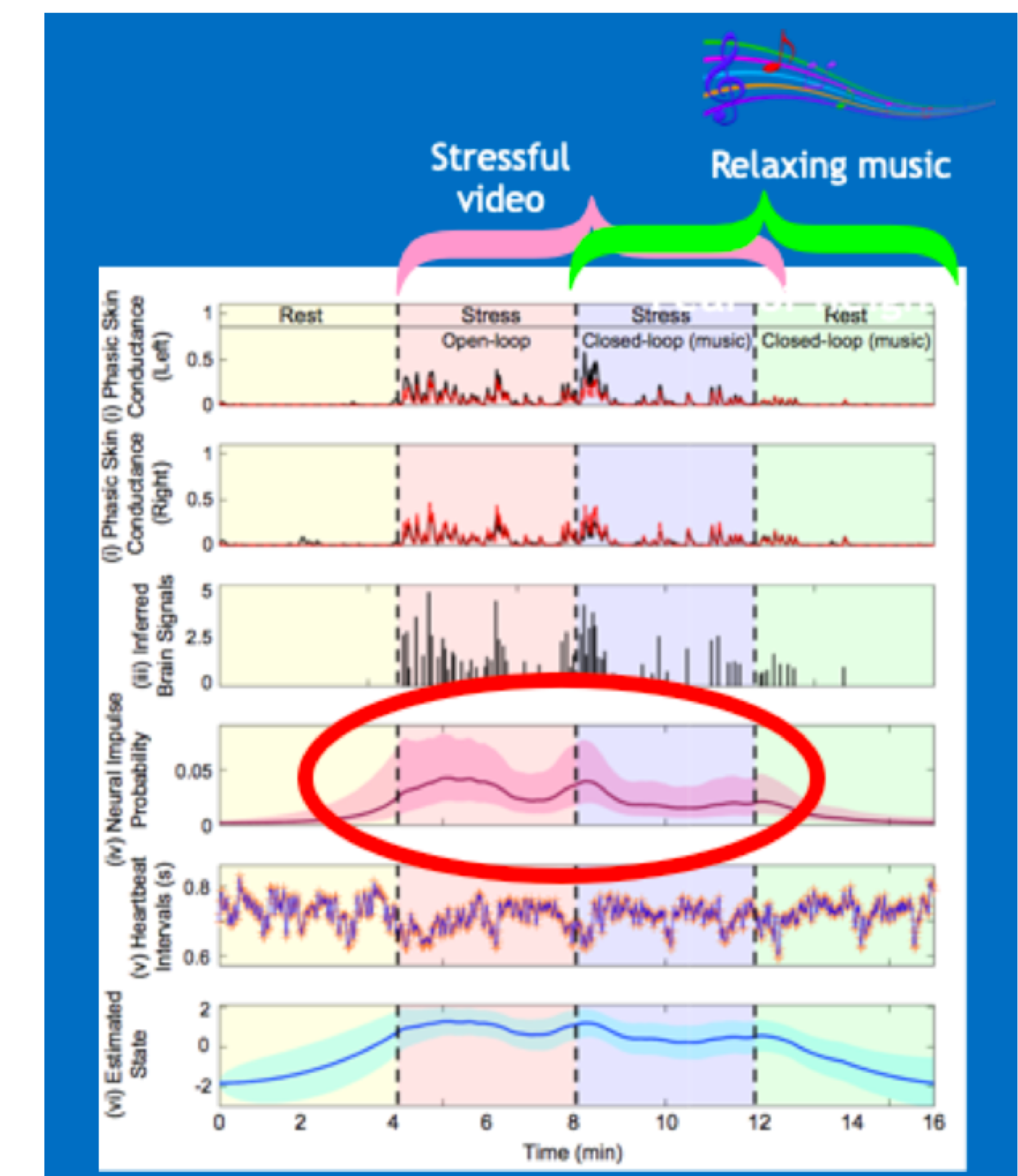
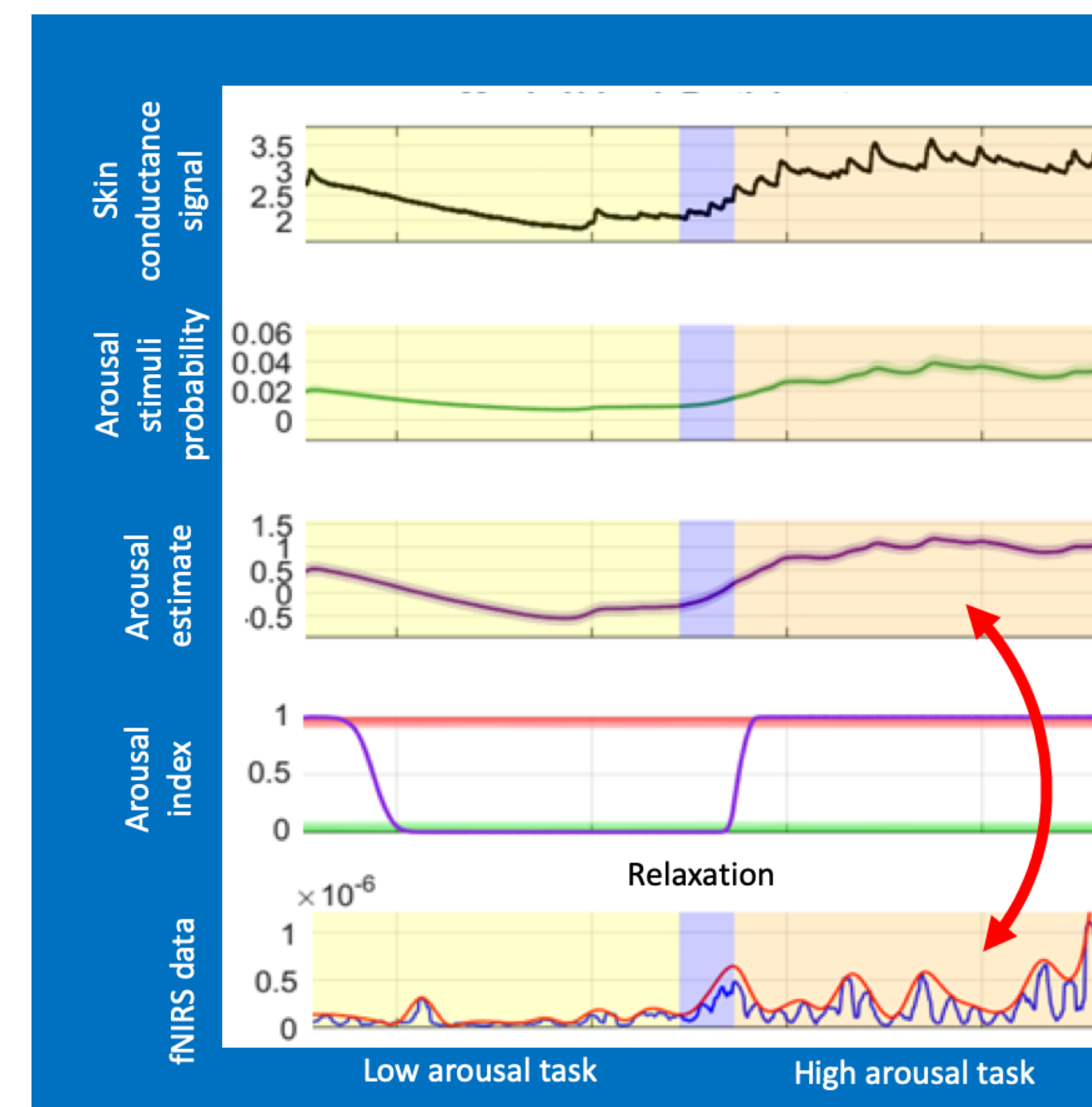
Challenge:

- What if our smartwatches could track our brain States?
 - Current gold standard – direct brain activity monitoring (e.g., EEG)
 - **Wearable device** to infer brain activity from **peripheral** physiological signals in **real world settings**



Findings:

- Ability to recover brain activity
 - Arousal estimates from skin conductance match functional near-infrared spectroscopy (**fNIRS**) **blood flow (brain imaging)**
- Empirical demonstration of the viability of regulating arousal via music based on observations from skin conductance and cardiac activity



Solution and Scientific Impact:

A transformative system-theoretic and computational toolset for:

- **Multimodal** system identification and **brain activity recovery**
- Interpretable adaptive **tracking of neurobehavioral states**
- **Personalized closed-loop control** design for reliable actuation

Project Applicability

Optimize Productivity in Smart Workplaces

Maximize Cognitive Engagement and Learning in Online and In-class Environments

Aging in Place

Pain Management

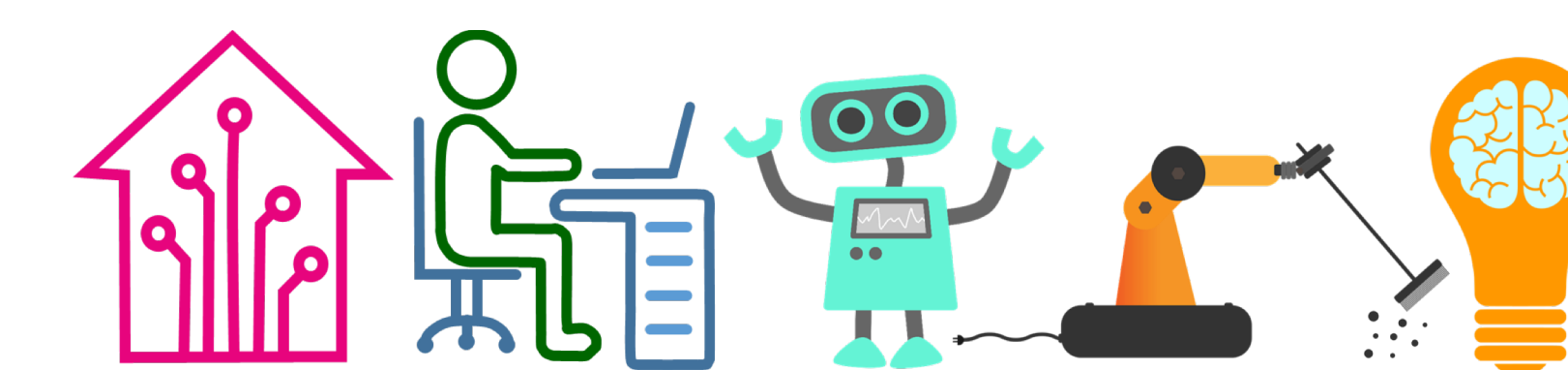
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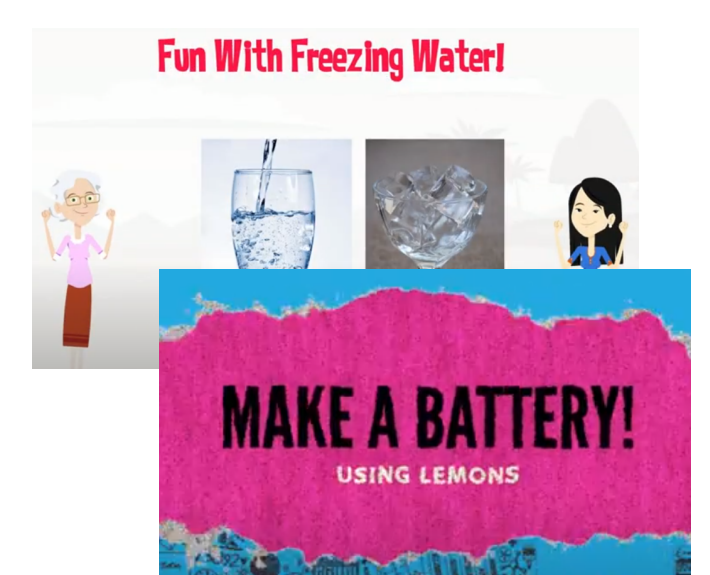
- **2** published Journal papers • **14** educational videos
- **3** senior design teams (**11** students)
- **2** Undergraduate Research Projects
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Online Learning



Human Computer Interaction in Smart Home and Smart Workplaces



Virtual Outreach