

EEG Signal with Feature Extraction using SVM and ICA Classifiers

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ABSTRACT

Identifying artifacts in EEG data produced by the neurons in brain is an important task in EEG signal processing research. These artifacts are corrected before further analyzing. In this work, fast fixed point algorithm for Independent Component Analysis (ICA) is used for removing artifacts in EEG signals and principal component analysis (PCA) tool is used for reducing high dimensional data and spatial redundancy. Support vector machine (SVM) tool is used for pattern recognition of EEG signals and the extracted parameters are used to impart cognitive interpretation ability towards autonomous system design.

Keywords: EEG signals, Fast ICA, PCA, SVM and Hardware Architecture.

1. INTRODUCTION

Electroencephalograms (EEGs) are recordings of the electrical potentials developed by the brain. Analysis of EEG activity has been achieved principally in clinical settings to identify pathologies and epilepsies. An interpretation of the EEG is used to visual inspection by a neurophysiologist. EEG technology used many electrodes on the human skull, such signals give information indirectly about physiological functions, which are related to the brain, these signals are very numerous. The EEG integrated technical devices with embedded intelligence and it allows for Brain-Computer-Interfaces (BCI) to analysis EEG design. BCI is composed of signal collection and processing, pattern identification and control systems. EEG classification has many number of features, it comes from the fact that are,

- (i) EEG signals are non-stationary, thus, features must be computed in a time-varying manner, and
- (ii) Number of EEG channels is large.

For the classification process, a multilayer perceptron (MLP) neural network is trained with the back propagation algorithm.

1.1 EEG Signals Measurement

The EEG signals measurement is crucial for clinical diagnoses and medical research. The capacitive electrodes are using for non-contact measurement to solving the EEG signal problem that does not require conductive gel and skin allergies, which cannot develop during long-term measurement, because capacitive electrodes are frequently used in clinical medicine. It has various methods for performing non-contact biopotential measurements by using capacitive electrodes. It developed a capacitive sensor for ECG and EEG monitoring and a tiny capacitive sensor for conducting various biopotential measurements. Additional voltage buffer is required to effectively convey physiological signals to the monitoring devices and increases the cost and complexity of sensing systems. The capacitive sensors require further

packaging, which may limit their applicability. The available conductive fabric are conducting biopotential measurements to popularize the capacitive technique, because EEG signals are low amplitude (approximately 10 to 100 μ V), designing EEG monitoring systems and using conventional electrodes. It uses EEG measurements to verify the feasibility of using conductive fabric for capacitive measurements. The EEG signals are collected and preprocessed using special filters and features are extracted using many methods is shown in Figure 1. The sensor nodes transmitting the EEG states, receives output via constellation mapper as shown in Figure 2. The receiver reproduces the states using feature extraction, PCA and identifies the cognitive states as shown in Figure 3.

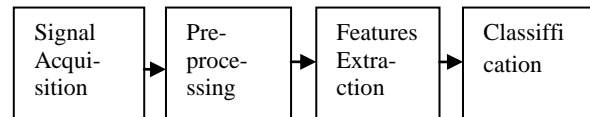


Fig 1: The block diagram of the EEG work process

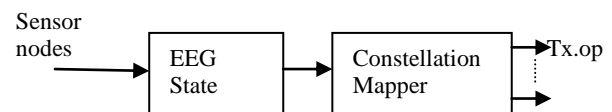


Fig 2: Sensor nodes transmission with EEG states

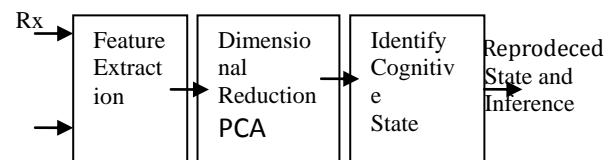


Fig 3: Sample Cognitive states

EEG uses MRI imaging of the brain while performing a cognitive task. It allows detecting the location and magnitude of brain activity involved in the various types of cognitive functions. It also accepts to view and record the changes in the brain activity during the time to perform the task. The analysis of continuous EEG signals or brain waves is complex, due to the large amount of information received from every electrode. Different waves are categorized by the frequency of their emanations, although none of the waves is ever emitted alone. The EEG is recorded between electrodes placed in standard positions on the scalp and has typical amplitude of 2-100 microvolts and a frequency spectrum from 0.1 to 60 Hz. EEG activity in particular frequency bands is correlated with cognitive states. Brain-Computer interfaces use EEG signals which can be controlled by the user. These types of EEG signals fall into two main classes;

- (i) Evoked responses which are EEG components evoked by a specific sensory stimulus, such as a flashing light, and
- (ii) Spontaneous EEG signals which consist of EEG components that occur without stimulus, such as the alpha rhythm or the mu rhythm.

The ability of subjects to produce strong spontaneous EEG rhythms such as the alpha rhythm or the mu rhythm can be enhanced by the use of biofeedback or operant conditioning, at this process the user is given an indication as to how well he/she is controlling a device. Evoked Potentials (EPs) require a specific external stimulus and originate in sensory cortex areas. A typical evoked potential is the Visual Evoked Potential (VEP), in response to a strobe light for example, the EEG over the visual cortex will vary at the same frequency as the stimulating light. Subjects can be trained to control the strength of their steady state VEP with the use of biofeedback. EEG control signal is controllable frequency which is very easy to detect that means the subsequent signal processing and pattern recognition tasks are very simple.

2. PREVIOUS WORK

E. Tamil [1] proposed EEG brain wave feature extraction using short time Fourier transform that externally attaching several electrodes on the human skull. Lee, et al., [2] proposed a low-cost electroencephalograph for task classification, where the EEG potentials recorded at 10–20 EEG electrode positions over the scalp with a cap and integrated electrodes. Molina [3] proposed signal preprocessing which is necessary to maximize the SNR since, many noise sources encountered with the EEG signal. Akrami [4] presented EEG signal is time domain signal and the signal energy distribution is scattered. Behnam, et al., [5] presented to analyze the whole signal, the window is translated in time and FT is reapplied to each one. Abdulhamit Subasi, et al., [6] presented a versatile signal processing and analysis framework for EEG. Cao, et al., [7] proposed PCA, independent component analysis (ICA) and linear discriminant analysis (LDA) methods for feature extraction. Subasi [8] proposed EEG signal classification using wavelet feature extraction and a mixture of expert model. Ubeyli, et al., [9] proposed analysis of EEG signals by combining eigenvector methods and multiclass SVMs. Wang, et al., [10] presented feature extraction and dimensionality reduction algorithms and applications in vowel recognition.

Widodo, et al., [11] proposed feature extraction transforms the existing features into a lower dimensional space which is useful for feature reduction to avoid the redundancy due to high-dimensional data. Carlos, et al., [12] presented a large number of methods for EEG feature extraction demands a good choice for EEG features for every task. Gomez, et al., [13] proposed information theoretic feature selection for functional data classification. It excluded from the current feature subset that increases the mutual information when it is discarded. Guerrero, et al., [14] proposed new feature extraction approach for epileptic EEG signal detection using time-frequency distributions. Ocak [15] proposed optimal classification of epileptic seizures in EEG using wavelet analysis and genetic algorithm that can be applied to extract the wavelet coefficients of discrete signals. Marcin et al., [16] presented a new method of feature extraction from EEG signal for brain computer interface design. MiHyeSong, et al., [17] proposed an algorithm for arrhythmia classification, which is associated with the reduction of feature dimensions by LDA and a SVM based classifier. V.V. Shete, et al., [18]

proposed detection of K-Complex in sleep EEG signal using SVM. The K-complex is a transient EEG waveform that contributes to the assessment of sleep stages. Sarah, et al., [19] proposed classification of EEG signals using different feature extraction techniques for mental-task BCI. Mohammad et al., [20] presented an automated computer platform for the purpose of classifying EEG signals associated with left and right hand movements using a hybrid system that uses advanced feature extraction techniques and machine learning algorithms. Kavita, et al., [21] proposed the processing and analysis of EEG within a framework which is carried out with DWT for decomposition of the signal into its frequency sub-bands.

3. FEATURE EXTRACTION

The EEG signal is time domain signal and the signal energy distribution is scattered. In order to extract the features, the EEG signal is analyzed to give a description of the signal energy as a function of time and frequency. The features extracted in frequency domain can recognize the mental tasks based on EEG signals. The analysis method is the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) applies the discrete FFT to the signal and find out its spectrum. EEG signal is non-stationary that means its spectrum changes with time. Such a signal can be approximated as piecewise stationary, a sequence of independent stationary signal segments. Although the field of spectral analysis has been dominated by use of the Fourier transform, which do not adequately represent non-stationary signals, the filter process through feature extraction with PCA and SVM classifiers are used as shown in Figure 4.

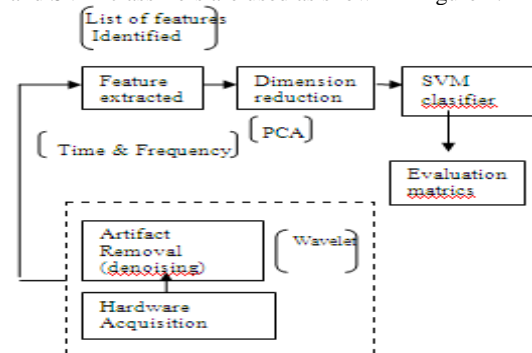


Fig 4: Filter process through feature extraction with classifiers

3.1 Error Detection using Checksum Analysis

The data, structure to detect error uses the checksum bits along with the modulation and noise filtering process to extract the cognitive states using demodulation is shown in Figure 5.

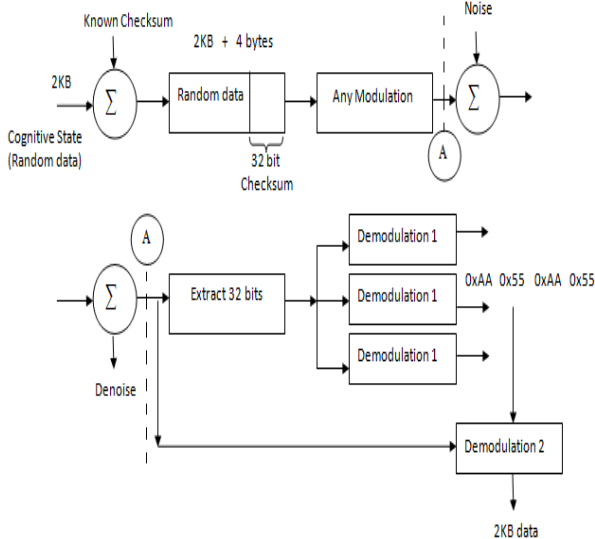


Fig 5: Random data analyze the checksum bits modulation/demodulation process

4. PRINCIPAL COMPONENT ANALYSIS

Principal component analysis is used for dimensional data reduction method and to identify underlying variables that are uncorrelated with each other. Intuitively, this is desirable because the underlying variables that account for a set of measured variables should correspond to physically different processes, which, in turn, should have outputs that are uncorrelated with each other. (PCA) is a mathematical procedure that uses an orthogonal transformation to convert a set of observations of possibly correlated variables into a set of values of linearly uncorrelated variables called principal components. The number of principal components is less than or equal to the number of original variables. PCA is the simplest of the true eigenvector-based multivariate analysis. Often, its operation can be thought of as revealing the internal structure of the data in a way that best explains the variance in the data. If a multivariate dataset is visualized as a set of coordinates in a high-dimensional data space (1 axis per variable), PCA can supply the user with a lower-dimensional picture, a "shadow" of this object when viewed from its (in some sense; see below) most informative viewpoint. This is done by using only the first few principal components so that the dimensionality of the transformed data is reduced.

4.1 PCA Algorithm

Before applying PCA, must do data preprocessing, which is given a set of 'm' unlabeled examples that should do the following

- (i) Mean normalization: Replace each x_{ji} with $x_j - \mu_j$,

In other words, determine the mean of each feature set, and then for each feature subtract the mean from the value, so we re-scale the mean to be 0

- (ii) Feature scaling (depending on data)

If features have very different scales then scale them so they all have a comparable range of values

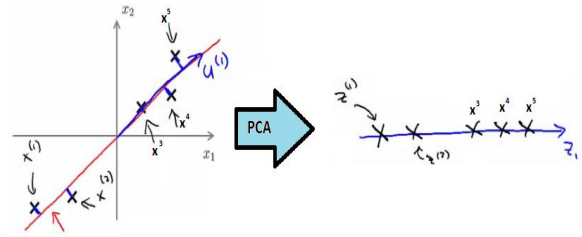
e.g. x_{ji} is set to $(x_j - \mu_j) / s_j$

Where, s_j is some measure of the range, so could be

- (a.) Biggest – smallest
- (b.) Standard deviation (more commonly)

- (iii) With preprocessing done, PCA finds the lower dimensional sub-space which minimizes the sum of the square.

In summary, for 2D->1D follow as shown in the below figure,



It needs to compute two things;

- (i) Compute the 'u' vectors
- (ii) Need to compute the 'z' vectors, where it has lower dimensionality feature vectors

A mathematical derivation for the 'u' vectors is very complicated, but once derivation has done, the procedure to find each 'u' vector is not that hard.

4.2 Algorithm description

This algorithm describes the following steps

- (a) Reducing data from n -dimensional to k -dimensional and compute the covariance matrix

$$\Sigma = \left(\frac{1}{m} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n (x^i)(x^i)^T$$

This is commonly denoted as Σ (greek upper case sigma) - NOT summation symbol (Σ) = sigma. This is an $[n \times n]$ matrix that remember than x^i is a $[n \times 1]$ matrix

- (b) Compute eigenvectors of matrix Σ

- (c) $[U, S, V] = \text{svd}(\text{sigma})$

Where, svd = singular value decomposition, and

More numerically stable than eig,

Where, eig provides eigenvector

- (d) U, S and V are matrices

where, U matrix is an $[n \times n]$ matrix, turns out the columns of U are the u vectors, so to reduce a system from n -dimensions to k -dimensions to take the first k -vectors from U (first k columns)

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & & | \\ u^{(1)} & u^{(2)} & \dots & u^{(n)} \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}$$

It needs to find the way to change 'x' (which is n dimensional) to z (which is k dimensional)

- (e) It reduces the dimensionality

- (f) Take first 'k' columns of the 'u' matrix and stack in columns, where

$n \times k$ matrix - call this U_{reduce}

- (g) Calculate 'z' as follows,

$$z = (U_{\text{reduce}})^T * x$$

so, $[k \times n] * [n \times 1]$

Generates a matrix which is $k * 1$.

5. METHODOLOGY OF COGNITIVE STATES (CS) WITH BITS FEATURES

The Boolean variable is given as 1 or 0, and different features are given in Figure 6.

| 1/0 | Feature 1 | Feature 2 | ... | ... | ... | Feature N |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| Boolean Variable | | | | | | N features |

Fig 6: Different features fused in the Data Structure

Figure 7 shows that all different cognitive states (CS) transmit with 32 bit features, modulations scheme and shows the outputs same CS.

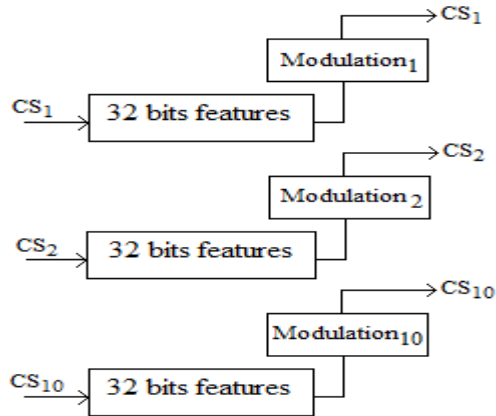


Fig 7: Cognitive states and modulation scheme

Every 32-bit data has a header and transmit to modulation and generate output as shown in Figure 8.

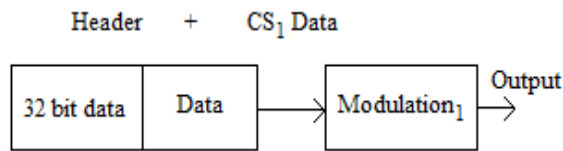


Fig 8: Header and data structure

0xAA 0x55 0xAA 0x55
10101010 01010101 10101010 01010101

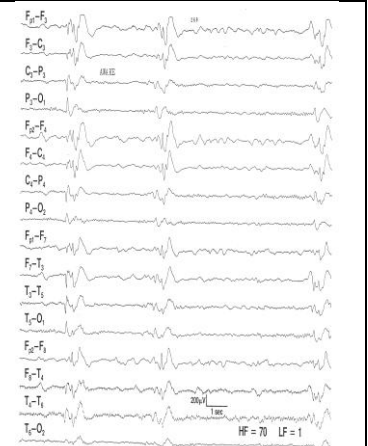
6. DESCRIPTION OF TEST INPUTS

The description of the test inputs for cognitive states is shown in Table 1.

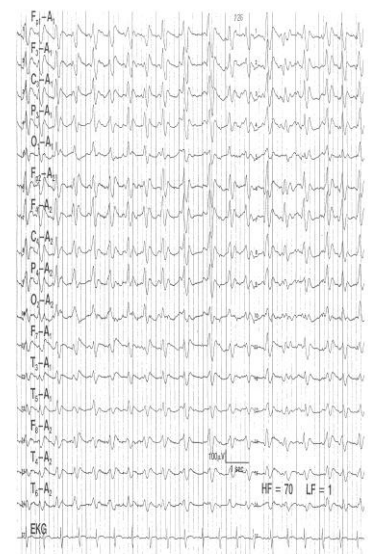
Table 1. Cognitive states and recorded EEG signal waves

| Cognitive state | St Recorded EEG W/F |
|---|---------------------|
| CSI 1: Designated as burst suppression patterns and generalized PEDs. The EEG has high-voltage bursts of spikes and polyspikes lasting for less than 1 second followed by low-voltage epochs. This type of abnormality is usually associated with anoxic encephalopathy and carries a very poor prognosis. | |

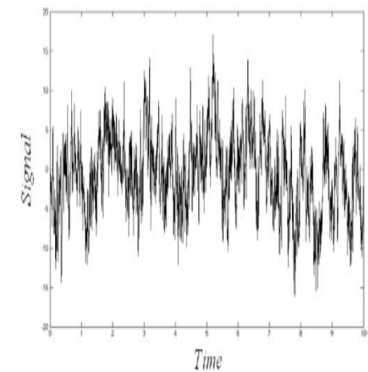
CSI 2: Abnormal movements, cognitive deterioration and the diagnostic EEG characterize the clinical disease. Stereotypic jerking or other movement abnormalities occur with the periodic complexes. Rarely, the periodic complexes become apparent before the movements manifest.

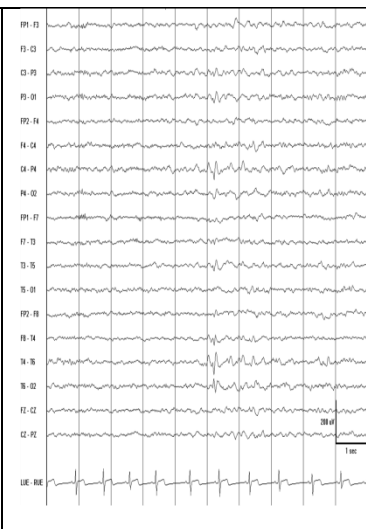

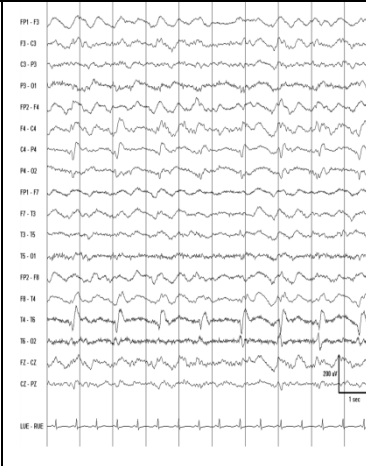


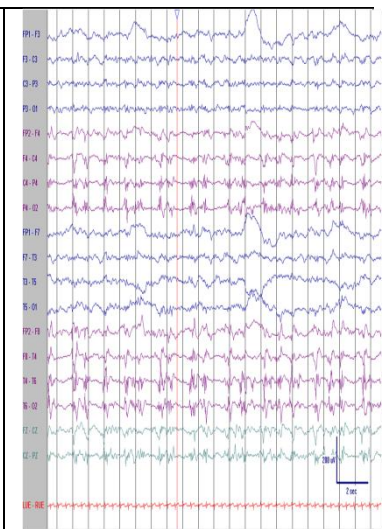
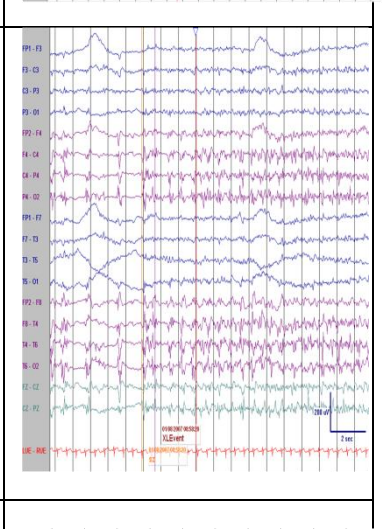
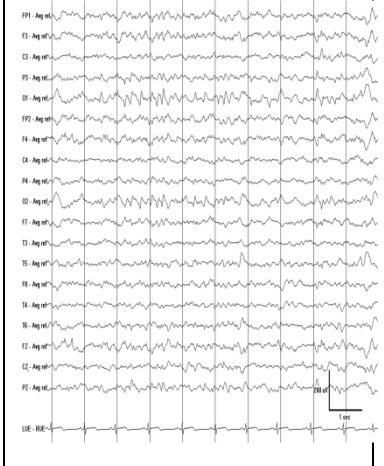
CSI 3: Myoclonic jerks occur in association with the sharp waveforms, but, the relationship is not constant. The sharp waves typically, react to external stimuli. Early in the disease, alerting the patient may elicit the periodic pattern, later, when the periodic pattern is readily apparent, rhythmic photic or other stimuli can "drive" the periodic frequency. Benzodiazepines or barbiturates can temporarily eliminate both myoclonic jerks and periodic patterns. In this clinical setting, this EEG is virtually pathognomonic of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease and is regarded as a manifestation of severe gray matter disease involving the cortex and deep nuclei.

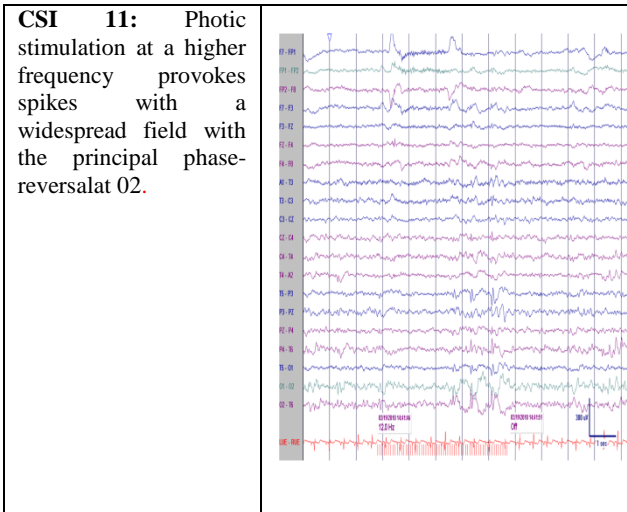


CSI 4: EEG signal waveform of subject 1 while relaxing



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|---|---|
| <p>CSI 5: Right posterior temporal spike phase that reverses at T6. The field of the discharge extends into the parietal and occipital regions.</p> |  |
| <p>CSI 6: An EEG typical of the syndrome of benign childhood epilepsy with centrotemporal spikes (BECTS). The stereotyped discharges exhibit a positive phase-reversal over the frontal region (asterisks). A longitudinally oriented horizontal dipole is frequently seen in patients with BECTS, although, it is not specific for this syndrome.</p> |  |
| <p>CSI 7: Pseudoperiodic lateralized epileptiform discharges (PLEDS) in a 45-year-old woman after a stroke. These sharply contoured waveforms phase-reverse over the right posterior temporal region and their fields involve much of the right hemisphere.</p> |  |

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| <p>CSI 8: PLEDs in an elderly patient with an acute right middle cerebral artery infarction. These 0.5- to 1-Hz discharges with superimposed sharply contoured beta activities are more ictal-appearance.</p> |  |
| <p>CSI 9: PLEDs in an elderly patient with an acute right middle cerebral artery infarction. In the sixth second the interictal PLEDs are replaced by a clear-cut evolving seizure pattern.</p> |  |
| <p>CSI 10: Positive occipital sharp transients of sleep (POSTS) are present in this normal EEG, recorded from a 13-year-old girl in sleep. These bisynchronous discharges occur in brief runs at 4-5 Hz. POSTS also occur unilaterally and as isolated discharges. They first occur in stage 1 sleep and may persist into slow wave sleep.</p> |  |



7. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In this work, cognitive states are simulated at different states with hardware modulation and demodulation and matched states are shown from Figure 9 to Figure 12.

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>>> gr fir fff: using SSE
[cognitive state 3] - Start cognitive state 3 Demodulation
[cognitive state 3] - Finish cognitive state 3 Demodulation
FSK code not matched
[cognitive state 4] - Start cognitive state 4 Demodulation
[cognitive state 4] - Finish cognitive state 4 Demodulation
cognitive state 4 not matched
[cognitive state 5] - Start cognitive state 5 Demodulation
[cognitive state 5] - Finish cognitive state 5 Demodulation
cognitive state 5 not matched
[cognitive state 6] - Start cognitive state 6 Demodulation
[cognitive state 6] - Finish cognitive state 6 Demodulation
cognitive state 6 matched
****cognitive state 6 DETECTED****
[cognitive state 6] - Start cognitive state 6 Demodulation
[cognitive state 6] - Finish cognitive state 6 Demodulation
cognitive state modulation\demodulation
1:cognitive state modulation
2:cognitive state demodulation
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Cognitive states not matched

Cognitive state 6 matched

Fig 9: Cognitive state 6 matched and detected

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[cognitive state 1] - Start cognitive state 1 Demodulation
[cognitive state 1] - Finish cognitive state 1 Demodulation
cognitive state 1 not matched
[D8PSK Demodulation] - Start D8PSK Demodulation
[D8PSK Demodulation] - Finish D8PSK Demodulation
cognitive state 2 not matched
>>> gr fir fff: using SSE
[cognitive state 3] - Start cognitive state 3 Demodulation
[cognitive state 3] - Finish cognitive state 3 Demodulation
FSK code not matched
[cognitive state 4] - Start cognitive state 4 Demodulation
[cognitive state 4] - Finish cognitive state 4 Demodulation
cognitive state 4 matched
****cognitive state 4 DETECTED****
[cognitive state 4] - Start cognitive state 4 Demodulation
[cognitive state 4] - Finish cognitive state 4 Demodulation
cognitive state modulation\demodulation
1:cognitive state modulation
2:cognitive state demodulation
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Cognitive states not matched

Cognitive state 4 matched

Fig 10: Cognitive state 4 matched and detected

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[cognitive state 6] - Finish cognitive state 6 Demodulation
cognitive state 6 not matched
[cognitive state 7] - Start cognitive state 7 Demodulation
[cognitive state 7] - Finish cognitive state 7 Demodulation
cognitive state 7 not matched
[cognitive state 8] - Start cognitive state 8 Demodulation
[cognitive state 8] - Finish cognitive state 8 Demodulation
cognitive state 8 not matched
[cognitive state 9] - Start cognitive state 9 Demodulation
[cognitive state 9] - Finish cognitive state 9 Demodulation
cognitive state 9 matched
****cognitive state 9 DETECTED****
[cognitive state 9] - Start cognitive state 9 Demodulation
[cognitive state 9] - Finish cognitive state 9 Demodulation
cognitive state modulation\demodulation
1:cognitive state modulation
2:cognitive state demodulation
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Cognitive states not matched

Cognitive state 9 matched

Fig 11: Cognitive state 9 matched and detected

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[cognitive state 7] - Start cognitive state 7 Demodulation
[cognitive state 7] - Finish cognitive state 7 Demodulation
cognitive state 7 not matched
[cognitive state 8] - Start cognitive state 8 Demodulation
[cognitive state 8] - Finish cognitive state 8 Demodulation
cognitive state 8 not matched
[cognitive state 9] - Start cognitive state 9 Demodulation
[cognitive state 9] - Finish cognitive state 9 Demodulation
cognitive state 9 not matched
[cognitive state 10] - Start cognitive state 10 Demodulation
[cognitive state 10] - Finish cognitive state 10 Demodulation
cognitive state 10 matched
****cognitive state 10 DETECTED****
[cognitive state 10] - Start cognitive state 10 Demodulation
[cognitive state 10] - Finish cognitive state 10 Demodulation
cognitive state modulation\demodulation
1:cognitive state modulation
2:cognitive state demodulation
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Cognitive states not matched

Cognitive state 10 matched

Fig 12: Cognitive state 11 matched and detected

8. CONCLUSION

In this study, it summarizes the overview of artifacts and their removal in EEG signals, where artifacts are the combination of EMG and EOC signals that influence on EEG signals. The EEG signals are collected and pre-processed using special filters then features are extracted. For classification of signals, employ Multi Layer Perceptron (MLP) trained with back propagation algorithm. The datasets were inputted into fast fixed point algorithms and SVMs that has to be analyzed for a better knowledgeable extraction and more accurate decision rules. In this research work, EEG signal is analyzed to provide a description of signal as a function of time and frequency. The features are extracted in frequency domain and analyzed using FFT to find the spectrum of the signal. Since the EEG signal is non stationary its spectrum changes with time, so it is approximated as piecewise stationary and processed for feature extraction with PCA and SVM. Using SVM the patterns of EEG signals are recognized and the parameters are implemented in the SVM hardware. PCA recognize first few principal components and reducing the high dimensional data and spatial redundancy. Thus, the EEG signals with artifacts are finally corrected and removed by employing ICA.

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