

Biomedical Signal Processing and Signal Modeling
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Duracion del curso: 28 horas (8 horas por semana, tres semanas, mas 4 horas de laboratorio)

Evaluacion: Examen Final

Synopsis

This course introduces two fundamental concepts of signal processing: linear systems and stochastic processes. Various estimation, detection and filtering methods are developed and demonstrated on biomedical signals. The methods include harmonic analysis, auto-regressive model, Wiener and Matched filters, linear discriminants, and independent components. All methods will be developed to answer concrete question on specific data sets in modalities such as ECG, EEG, or Audio. Ideally we will work with data-sets provided by student from their research work. The lectures will be accompanied by data analysis assignments using MATLAB and in class programming. Programming assignments will serve as evaluation of student performance.

Course content (will be adapted to the background knowledge of the class):

Introduction

Linear, stationary, normal - the stuff biology is **not** made of.

Linear systems

Impulse response

Discrete Fourier transform and z-transform

Convolution

Sampling

Random variables and stochastic processes

Random variables

Moments and Cumulants

Multivariate distributions

Statistical independence and stochastic processes

Examples of biomedical signal processing

Probabilistic estimation

Linear discriminants

Harmonic analysis

Auto-regressive model

Matched and Wiener filter

Independent components analysis

- **detection** of motor activity from EEG
- **estimation** of pitch frequency in speech sound
- **estimation** of the spectrum of 'thoughts' in EEG
- **filtering** in audio
- **analysis** of MEG signals

Literature:

Eugene N. Bruce, Biomedical Signal Processing and Signal Modeling, John Wiley &

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Sons, 2000

Steven Kay, Fundamentals of Statistical Signal Processing, Prentice Hall, 1998

Monson H. Hayes, Statistical Digital Signal Processing and Modeling, John Wiley & Sons, 1996

Iranpour, R. and Chacon, P., Basic Stochastic Processes: The Mark Kac Lectures.
MacMillan, 1988

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Linear systems

The course will begin with an overview of properties of natural signals as a first approximation to the topics of linear systems, normal signals, and stationarity. Linear shift invariant systems will be introduced. This includes finite and infinite impulse response (FIR and IIR) and their representation in time, frequency and z-domain. Relevant concepts are magnitude and phase response, and poles and zeros. The convolution theorem for the Fourier and z-transform will be presented. The practical importance of the discrete Fourier transform for the implementation of linear and circular convolution will be explained. Issues related to discrete versus continuous time and finite versus infinite time will be discussed and in particular the practical importance of the sampling theorem.

Lecture 1:

Properties of biological signals: non-stationary, non-linear, non-Gaussian

Linear shift invariant system

Finite and infinite impulse response

Auto-regressive and moving average filters

Lecture 2:

Discrete Fourier transform and z-transform*

Magnitude and phase response

Poles and zeros

Stability

Lecture 3:

Convolution theorem

Linear versus circular convolution

Overlap-save implementation of linear convolution

Windowing

Lecture 4:

Discrete versus continuous time signals

Sampling theorem

Pre-filtering

Down-sampling

Lecture 5-8: Random variables and stochastic processes

Probability distribution and density function (pdf) for discrete and continuous variables will be introduced starting with one-dimensional random variables. Conditional distribution and additive random variables will be discussed. The importance of the normal distribution and the central limit theorem will be highlighted. Moments and Cumulants, and the characteristic function will be presented as ways of specifying a pdf. Distributions frequently discovered in biomedical signal processing such as Gaussian, Poisson, and Lapacian will be presented. Multivariate distributions in particular Gaussian will be discussed, and the important concept of statistical independence, probabilistic inference, and Bayes rule. Finally the relationship of the material discussed to stochastic processes, i.e. Markov and Wiener process will be presented.



Lecture 5

Probability distribution and density function of 1D random.

Conditional distribution and additive random variables

Normal distribution and the central limit theorem.

Lecture 6

Moments and Cumulants

Characteristic function

Gaussian, Poisson, and Lapacian

Lecture 7

Multivariate distributions

Covariance

Multivariate Gaussian

Product and convolutions of Gaussians

Conditional Gaussian (Shurr complement)

Lecture 8

Statistical independence, factorization

Bayes rule, prior, posterior

Probabilistic inference

Markov and Wiener process

Correlation, drift and variance

Lecture 9-14: Examples of biomedical signal processing

Maximum likelihood (ML) and maximum *a-posteriori* (MAP) estimation will be presented as it represents the basis for most of the methods to be developed. Binary linear classification will be explained on the task of predicting motor action from MEG signals. Issues concerning statistical performance and over-training will be highlighted. Harmonic analysis will be derived from ML and demonstrated on ECG heart rate estimation.

Estimation of the auto-regressive parameters will be derived from ML. The relationship to linear prediction will be highlighted. The relevance for spectral estimation and an application to spectrum identification in EEG will be presented. Matched filter for detection and Wiener filtering for noise reduction will be presented and demonstrated on Ultrasound data. Finally an overview of linear decomposition methods such as Wavelets, principal components and independent components will be given. The focus will be placed on independent component analysis (ICA) and its application to the analysis of MEG signals.

Lecture 9:

Probabilistic estimation

Maximum Likelihood

Maximum *a-posteriori* estimation

Lecture 10

Linear discriminants

- **detection** of motor activity from MEG



Logistic regression
ROC curve
Test versus training set performance

Lecture 11
Harmonic analysis
Hart rate monitoring
Pitch detection

- **estimation** of hart rate in ECG

Lecture 12
Auto-regressive model
Linear prediction
Spectral estimation

- **estimation** of the spectrum of 'thoughts' in EEG

Lecture 13
Matched and Wiener filter

- **filtering** in ultrasound

Lecture 14
Independent components analysis
Wavelets, PCA, ICA

- **analysis** of MEG signals

Assignments

Lectures will be accompanied by a data analysis assignment. The results will be discussed at the beginning of the following lecture. Example programs will be given in order to gradually introduce new concepts of the MATLAB programing language. The intention of the assignments is to give hands-on experience with data analysis and allow to explore the effects of different parameters in the analysis. This is not a programming course and therefore there will be no particular emphasis on efficient or elegant programming.

All lectures and course material are online at:
<http://bme.ccny.cuny.edu/faculty/parra/teaching/biomed-dsp/>





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Artículo 2º: Aprobar el Programa del Curso de Postgrado **BIOMEDICAL SIGNAL PROCESSING AND SIGNAL MODELING** obrante de fs 4 A 8 en el Expediente de la Referencia.

Artículo 3º: Aprobar un Puntaje Máximo de un punto y medio (1,5) para la Carrera del Doctorado.

Artículo 4º: Aprobar un Arancel de 20 Módulos. Disponer que los fondos recaudados en concepto de Aranceles deberán ser utilizados conforme a la Resolución CD 072/2003.

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