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Preprocessing & Feature Extraction in Signal Processing Applications

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Signals and Data are Everywhere







phase noise motion acceleration position

pressure vibration strain











Preprocess and Extract Features for Data Analysis



Challenge: Gain insights to improve data analysis



Feature Extraction Techniques Help to Restore Arm Movement

- Multichannel electrode implanted in the brain to record brain signals
- Wavelet techniques isolate frequency bands of brain signals that govern movement
- Wavelets help transform 3000 features per channel into a single value



User Story: Battelle Neural Bypass Technology Restores Movement to a Paralyzed Man's Arm and Hand

Developed by Battelle Memorial Institute entirely in MATLAB and Wavelet Toolbox



Real-World Signals are Challenging to Analyze

- Large amounts of data
 - Wide data
 multiple streams, many sensors
 - Tall data

 Iong signals
- "Messy" time series
 - Noise
 - Non-uniform sampling
 - Lack of alignment between signals
 - Missing data
 - Data outliers







Signal Processing for Engineers and Scientists

Is this a signal or just noise?

How do I align different signals?

How do I compare signals?

How do I measure a delay between signals?

Are these signals related?





Support for Real-World Applications

Signal Processing Toolbox Wavelet Toolbox

- Traditional users: Electrical Engineer with Signal Processing background
- Expanded focus over recent releases:
 - Scientists require signal processing techniques but may not be proficient in this area







Signal Preprocessing and Feature Extraction





Signal Analyzer App



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Viewing and Exploring Signals with Signal Analyzer App



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Resample Non-uniformly Sampled Signals



>>[y, Ty] = resample(x,nonUniformSig,desiredFs);



What if Data is Missing?



>> [y, Ty] = resample(x, irregTx, desiredFs, 'spline');



Multiple Ways to Reconstruct Missing Data



- Resampling often best for low frequency components
- For large gaps in wideband signals, autoregressive modeling is more effective

>> x = y(1:3500); >> x(2000:2600) = NaN; >> y2 = fillgaps(x);



Synchronizing Signals from Multiple Sensors

Data collected asynchronously by multiple sensors may require alignment







Find peaks

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Time elapsed from Jan 1, 2011 (days)

Determine signal statistics



Finding Signals and Patterns of Interest

Signal we are looking for

- Similarity search for finding repeat occurrences
- findsignal can be used with time or frequency data





Searching the Spectral Content

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Finding a Signal of Interest



>>findsignal(PxxSignal,PxxMoan,'Normalization','power','TimeAlignment','dtw',...
'Metric','symmkl','MaxNumSegments',3);
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Challenges of Time-Frequency Analysis

- Fixed spectral windows can limit timefrequency resolution
- Features occurring at different scales may be missed



 Sinusoids may not be well localized in frequency



Time-Frequency Analysis





Signal Proces	sing Toolbox				
Spectrogram	Fourier Synchrosqueezed Transform	Continuous Wavelet Analysis	Discrete Wavelet Analysis	Denoising and Compression	Filter Banks



Localizing Unwanted Frequency Components

 Wavelets used to localize & remove unwanted spectral components









Summary

- Real world signals are challenging
 - MathWorks tools make preprocessing and feature extraction easy
- MathWorks website includes many examples to get started with
 - Data Analytics, Industrial, Automotive, Medical, Noise and Vibration, and many others
- Thank you for attending



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Analyze and synthesize signals and images using wavelets

Wavelet Toolbox™ provides functions and apps for analyzing and synthesizing signals, images, and data that exhibit regular behavior punctuated with abrupt changes. The toolbox includes algorithms for the continuous wavelet transform (CWT), scalograms, and wavelet coherence. It also provides algorithms and visualizations for discrete wavelet analysis, including decimated, nondecimated, dual-tree, and wavelet packet transforms. In addition, you can extend the toolbox algorithms with custom wavelets.

The toolbox lets you analyze how the frequency content of signals changes over time and reveals time-varying patterns common in multiple signals. You can perform multiresolution analysis to extract fine-scale or large-scale features, identify discontinuities, and detect change points or events that are not visible in the raw data. You can also use Wavelet Toolbox to efficiently compress data while maintaining perceptual quality and to denoise signals and images while retaining features that are often smoothed out by other techniques.

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