Codebook

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This codebook is based on the original file features_info.txt of the Human Activity Recognition Using Smartphones Dataset. I have edited the feature list to contain only the variables that are available in my tidy dataset.

The tidy dataset summarizes the original dataset by combining the train and test datasets, and grouping and averaging the features for each subject (30 people) and each type of activity ("WALKING", "WALKING_UPSTAIRS", "WALKING_DOWNSTAIRS", "SITTING", "STANDING", "LAYING"). For each pair of subject and activity, the tidy dataset has 79 variables that are a subset of the variables in the original dataset.

The features in the original data sets are described in file features_info.txt as follows:

The features selected for this database come from the accelerometer and gyroscope 3-axial raw signals tAcc-XYZ and tGyro-XYZ. These time domain signals (prefix 't' to denote time) were captured at a constant rate of 50 Hz. Then they were filtered using a median filter and a 3rd order low pass Butterworth filter with a corner frequency of 20 Hz to remove noise. Similarly, the acceleration signal was then separated into body and gravity acceleration signals (tBodyAcc-XYZ and tGravityAcc-XYZ) using another low pass Butterworth filter with a corner frequency of 0.3 Hz.

Subsequently, the body linear acceleration and angular velocity were derived in time to obtain Jerk signals (tBodyAccJerk-XYZ and tBodyGyroJerk-XYZ). Also the magnitude of these three-dimensional signals were calculated using the Euclidean norm (tBodyAccMag, tGravityAccMag, tBodyAccJerkMag, tBodyGyroMag, tBodyGyroJerkMag).

Finally a Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) was applied to some of these signals producing fBodyAcc-XYZ, fBodyAccJerk-XYZ, fBodyGyro-XYZ, fBodyAccJerkMag, fBodyGyroMag, fBodyGyroJerkMag. (Note the 'f' to indicate frequency domain signals).

These signals were used to estimate variables of the feature vector for each pattern: '-XYZ' is used to denote 3-axial signals in the X, Y and Z directions.

tBodyAcc-XYZ tGravitvAcc-XYZ tBodyAccJerk-XYZ tBodyGyro-XYZ tBodyGyroJerk-XYZ tBodyAccMag tGravityAccMag tBodyAccJerkMag tBodyGyroMag tBodyGyroJerkMag fBodyAcc-XYZ fBodyAccJerk-XYZ fBodyGyro-XYZ fBodyAccMag fBodyAccJerkMag fBodyGyroMag

fBodyGyroJerkMag

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In the tidy data set, each pattern pattern-XYZ above is represented by six variables: pattern-mean()-X, pattern-std()-X, pattern-mean()-Y, pattern-std()-Y, pattern-mean()-Z, pattern-std()-Z. Each pattern without the XYZ ending is represented by two variables: pattern-mean() and pattern-std(). There also 13 variables that represent various mean frequencies.

The values for these variables are computed by combining the train and test datasets, selecting the columns of the variables from the combined dataset, grouping by activity and subject and taking the mean for each variable. See file run_analysis.R for details.

In addition the dataset contains variables activity and subject.

The complete list of variables (81) in the tidy dataset is:

- activity
- subject
- tBodyAcc-mean()-X
- tBodyAcc-mean()-Y
- tBodyAcc-mean()-Z
- tBodyAcc-std()-X
- tBodyAcc-std()-Y
- tBodyAcc-std()-Z
- tGravityAcc-mean()-X
- tGravityAcc-mean()-Y
- tGravityAcc-mean()-Z
- tGravityAcc-std()-X
- tGravityAcc-std()-Y
- tGravityAcc-std()-Z
- tBodyAccJerk-mean()-X
- tBodyAccJerk-mean()-Y
- tBodyAccJerk-mean()-Z
- tBodyAccJerk-std()-X
- tBodyAccJerk-std()-Y
- tBodyAccJerk-std()-Z
- tBodyGyro-mean()-X
- tBodyGyro-mean()-Y
- tBodyGyro-mean()-Z
- tBodyGyro-std()-X
- tBodyGyro-std()-Y
- tBodyGyro-std()-Z
- tBodyGyroJerk-mean()-X
- tBodyGyroJerk-mean()-Y
- tBodyGyroJerk-mean()-Z
- tBodyGyroJerk-std()-X
- tBodyGyroJerk-std()-Y
- tBodyGyroJerk-std()-Z
- tBodyAccMag-mean()
- tBodyAccMag-std()
- tGravityAccMag-mean()
- tGravityAccMag-std()
- tBodyAccJerkMag-mean()
- tBodyAccJerkMag-std()

- tBodyGyroMag-mean()
- tBodyGyroMag-std()
- tBodyGyroJerkMag-mean()
- tBodyGyroJerkMag-std()
- fBodyAcc-mean()-X
- fBodyAcc-mean()-Y
- fBodyAcc-mean()-Z
- fBodyAcc-std()-X
- fBodyAcc-std()-Y
- fBodyAcc-std()-Z
- fBodyAcc-meanFreq()-X
- fBodyAcc-meanFreq()-Y
- fBodyAcc-meanFreq()-Z
- fBodyAccJerk-mean()-X
- fBodyAccJerk-mean()-Y
- fBodyAccJerk-mean()-Z
- fBodyAccJerk-std()-X
- fBodyAccJerk-std()-Y
- fBodyAccJerk-std()-Z
- fBodyAccJerk-meanFreq()-X
- fBodyAccJerk-meanFreq()-Y
- $\bullet \ \ {\rm fBodyAccJerk\text{-}meanFreq()\text{-}Z}$
- fBodyGyro-mean()-X
- fBodyGyro-mean()-Y
- fBodyGyro-mean()-Z
- $\bullet \ \ \mathrm{fBodyGyro\text{-}std}()\text{-}X$
- fBodyGyro-std()-Y
- fBodyGyro-std()-Z
- fBodyGyro-meanFreq()-X
- fBodyGyro-meanFreq()-Y
- fBodyGyro-meanFreq()-Z
- fBodyAccMag-mean()
- fBodyAccMag-std()
- fBodyAccMag-meanFreq()
- fBodyBodyAccJerkMag-mean()
- fBodyBodyAccJerkMag-std()
- fBodyBodyAccJerkMag-meanFreq()
- fBodyBodyGyroMag-mean()
- fBodyBodyGyroMag-std()
- fBodyBodyGyroMag-meanFreq()
- fBodyBodyGyroJerkMag-mean()
- fBodyBodyGyroJerkMag-std()
- fBodyBodyGyroJerkMag-meanFreq()