Depression, HRV, and CAD Pilot Study

Comparison of RR Peak Detection Methods and Dyx

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Background

- Dyx is seen to be a potentially powerful marker for ANS dysfunction [Shah et al., 2020]
- ▶ Generated by the ratio of kurtosis of x-axis to y-axis on Poincare plot
- ▶ Why is it more robust then other HRV measures at signaling ANS dysfunction?
 - ▶ Potentially due to capturing ectopy and the SA response to ectopy

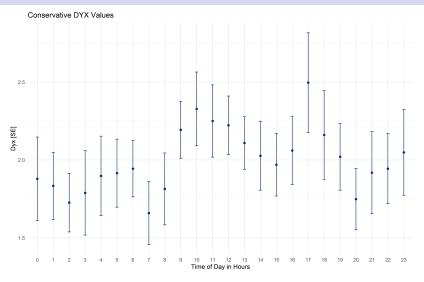
Approach

- 1. Compare HRV toolbox output for RR intervals using conservative and relaxed definitions for R-peak detection [Vest et al., 2018]
- 2. Generate Dyx values for both types of methods
- 3. Compare findings

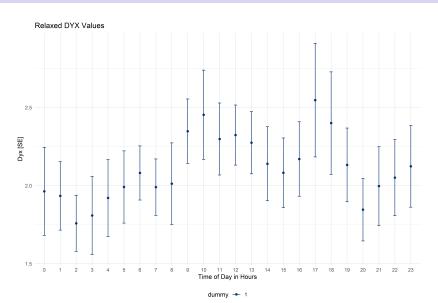
Relaxed definitions decrease the threshold needed for R peak detection, discard less **unusuable windows**, and limits interpolation of data, and allows for more ectopic beats (broadened definitions for *unphysiologic beats*).

Dyx Comparison

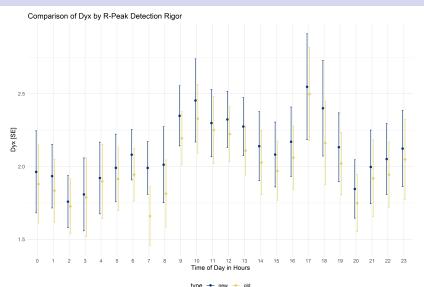
Conservative approach



Relaxed approach



Comparison of *Dyx* measures



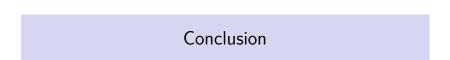
Statistical approach

Table 1: Paired t-test by patient

statistic	t_df	p_value	alternative	lower_ci	upper_ci
4	29	0	two.sided	0.042	0.131

Table 2: Paired t-test by hour

statistic	t_df	p_value	alternative	lower_ci	upper_ci
7.98	23	0	two.sided	0.086	0.147



Conclusion

- Comparison of original 30 patients with "conservative" HRV generation and the "relaxed" HRV generation
- Dyx is slightly higher in the relaxed compared to conservative settings
- No statistical significant difference in methods (issues of power however)

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