



Documentation

Novelty Detection Analysis System: Manual

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1 Installation and Start-Up

This section discusses the initial installation and setup of the software.

The main requirements arise from the use of Qt for the graphical user interface. Consequently, it is necessary to install PyQt5 as Python bindings for Qt5. Without these Python bindings it is not possible to run the software. Also, PyQtGraph is a main component of the software, as this graph library is used for visualization and plotting of the data. The analysis system at the time of this documentation has the following requirements:

```
1 wfdb==3.2.0
2 numpy==1.18.4
3 hickle==4.0.4
4 scipy==1.5.3
5 pyqtgraph==0.11.1
6 pandas==1.0.3
7 PyQt5==5.15.4
8 PyYAML==5.4.1
```

Listing 1.1: requirements.txt: Current requirements for the analysis software.

The software has been tested with the indicated versions, but may work fine with newer software versions of the listed packages. This is subject to testing. The current requirements can always be found in requirements.txt.

The installation of these packages can be done with the Python Package installer. For this, the requirements.txt can be read directly into `pip` and the required packages are installed automatically via the following command:

```
1 pip install -r PATH/TO/requirements.txt
```

Listing 1.2: Installation of requirements from the requirements.txt.

The software has a start-up check. If not all required packages are installed, this is shown to the user in an error message.

No further configuration is necessary to start the software. The graphical user interface can be started by running `python ndas.py` from the console.

2 Configuration

The analysis software has a configuration file in the config folder. In this config.yml file, various settings can be made, such as the dark mode or other visual settings. In the following these settings are presented.

The configuration file uses YAML¹ and thus has a fixed format which must be adhered to so that the file can still be read by the software. Most of the settings are self-explanatory. The settings are sorted by extension, because the respective extension gets the corresponding configurations in the initialization process during start-up. Additional labels can be defined that can be selected for annotation by adding strings to the labels section:

```
1 annotation:
2   labels:
3     - "Condition"
4     - "Sensor"
5     - "Unknown"
```

Listing 2.1: List of available labels for annotation.

The stored physiological value ranges are also present in the configuration file and are read out by the `physiologicallimits` extension. Here, a lower limit and an upper limit must be specified for each physiological data type. The assignment is done via the identifiers of the table columns, therefore aliases can be specified. Columns that have these aliases or the main identifier of the physiological value can thus be identified and the value limit assigned. Below is the entry for the temperature:

```
1 physiologicalinfo:
2   temperature:
3     low: 30
4     high: 40
5     aliases: ["temp", "t", "c"]
6   ...
```

Listing 2.2: Physiological info for temperature.

The darkmode can also be activated via the configuration file. Further information can be found in the file.

¹<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/YAML>

3 Adding new Algorithms

The analysis system can be extended with further algorithms. For this purpose, an autoloader was implemented, which automatically loads the algorithms available in the corresponding folder at program start up. Algorithms can then be selected via the graphical user interface without further configuration requirements.

To implement a new algorithm, a new class has to be created which inherits from the BaseDetector superclass. The algorithm class has to implement a `detect()` method that takes a pandas dataframe and returns a dictionary. The return values are structured as follows: The returned dictionary contains multiple other dictionaries, depending on the number of dimensions. The column name is used as identifier and therefore as key in the dictionary. The column-specific dictionaries contain the detected class for each individual data point of the column, as visualized below:

```
1 total_results =
2 {
3   columnID1 = {timeID1 : c1t1class, timeID2: c1t2class...},
4   columnID2 = {timeID1 : c2t1class, ...},
5   ...
6 }
```

Listing 3.1: Structure of the return dictionary.

The available classes for the detection process are depicted below:

Table 3.1: Return values for algorithms.

Value	Name	Color (Hex triplet)
-2	Ignored	Grey (#a9a9a9)
-1	Training	Turquoise (#00afbb)
0	Normal	Blue (#4e81bd)
1	Anomalous (Tier-I)	Red (#fc4e08)
2	Anomalous (Tier-II)	Yellow (#e7b800)

The following is a sample implementation of an algorithm. In this minimal example, every second data value is classified as an anomaly:

```
1 from ndas.algorithms.basedetector import BaseDetector
2
3 class ExampleDetector(BaseDetector):
4
5     def __init__(self, *args, **kwargs):
6         super(ExampleDetector, self).__init__(*args, **kwargs)
7
8     def detect(self, datasets, **kwargs) -> dict:
9         total_results = {}
10
11         for column in datasets.columns[1:]:
12             column_results = {}
13
14             i = 0
15             for index, row in datasets[[datasets.columns[0],
16                                         column]].iterrows():
17                 if i == 0:
18                     column_results[row[datasets.columns[0]]] = 1
19                     i = 1
20                 else:
21                     column_results[row[datasets.columns[0]]] = 0
22                     i = 0
23             total_results[column] = column_results
24         return total_results
```

Listing 3.2: example.py: Minimal example for an implemented algorithm.

When creating new algorithms, auxiliary functions can be used, which have been implemented in the superclass and are therefore directly available. Via `register_parameter` additional parameters can be registered, which are queried in the GUI before running the algorithm. Via `signal_error` an error message can be sent to the GUI, which is displayed to the user in a messagebox window. With `signal_percentage` the current percentage status for the progress bar can be sent. Additional plots can be submitted to the GUI using `signal_add_plot`, while additional line plots can be added to existing plots using `signal_add_line` and `signal_add_infinite_line`. A string can be sent to the logger via `log`. Via `get_physiological_information` the physiological value ranges can be requested from the config file for passed identifiers (e.g. temperature). Further information about the auxiliary functions can be found in the `BaseDetector` class.