Task ECG

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1.1 Task description

Each student is assigned a variant of the same ECG processing task. The goal is to: - Preprocess a simulated or real ECG signal. - Apply bandpass filtering to remove baseline drift and high-frequency noise. - Detect R-peaks in the filtered signal. - Calculate and plot heart rate over time. - Interpret the results based on signal quality and parameter choices.

The general structure of the task: 1. Load or simulate an ECG signal of a given duration and sampling rate. 2. Apply a bandpass filter with given cutoff frequencies. 3. Detect R-peaks using neurokit2 or a custom algorithm. 4. Compute instantaneous heart rate and visualize it. 5. Comment on how filtering affects R-peak detection.

Variant 6: - Duration: 12 s, - Sampling Rate: 500 Hz, - Filter: 1–50 Hz,

1.2 Python code

Installation of the necessary Python libraries

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1.2.1 Step 1: Load/Simulate ECG Signal

```
[]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import neurokit2 as nk

sampling_rate = 500

# Simulate ECG signal
ecg = nk.ecg_simulate(duration=12, sampling_rate=sampling_rate, noise=0.05)
time = np.arange(len(ecg)) / 500 # Time axis in seconds
```

1.2.2 Step 2: Apply Bandpass Filter (1–50 Hz)

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[]: from scipy.signal import butter, filtfilt

def bandpass_filter(signal, lowcut, highcut, fs, order=4):
    nyq = 0.5 * fs
    low = lowcut / nyq
    high = highcut / nyq
    b, a = butter(order, [low, high], btype='band')
    return filtfilt(b, a, signal)

filtered_ecg = bandpass_filter(ecg, 1.0, 50.0, sampling_rate)
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1.2.3 Step 3: Detect R-Peaks

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[]: # Detect R-peaks using NeuroKit2
_, rpeaks_info = nk.ecg_peaks(filtered_ecg, sampling_rate=500)
rpeaks = rpeaks_info["ECG_R_Peaks"]
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1.2.4 Step 4: Compute and Plot Heart Rate

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[4]: | # Calculate R-R intervals and instantaneous heart rate (BPM)
     rr_intervals = np.diff(rpeaks) / 500 # Convert to seconds
     heart_rate = 60 / rr_intervals # BPM
     # Time points for heart rate (midpoint between R-peaks)
     hr_time = (rpeaks[1:] + rpeaks[:-1]) / (2 * 500)
     # Plotting
     plt.figure(figsize=(12, 10))
     # Raw vs. Filtered ECG
     plt.subplot(3, 1, 1)
     plt.plot(time, ecg, label='Raw ECG', alpha=0.7)
     plt.plot(time, filtered ecg, label='Filtered ECG (1-50 Hz)', linewidth=1.5)
     plt.plot(rpeaks/500, filtered_ecg[rpeaks], 'ro', label='R-peaks')
     plt.title("ECG Signal with R-Peak Detection")
     plt.xlabel("Time (s)")
     plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
     plt.legend()
     # Heart Rate Over Time
     plt.subplot(3, 1, 2)
     plt.plot(hr_time, heart_rate, 'g-', marker='o', markersize=4)
     plt.title("Instantaneous Heart Rate")
     plt.xlabel("Time (s)")
     plt.ylabel("BPM")
     plt.grid(True)
     # Zoomed ECG Segment
     plt.subplot(3, 1, 3)
     plt.plot(time[1000:2000], filtered_ecg[1000:2000], label='Filtered ECG')
     plt.plot(rpeaks/500, filtered_ecg[rpeaks], 'ro', label='R-peaks')
     plt.xlim(2, 4) # Zoom into 2-4 seconds
     plt.title("Zoomed Segment (2-4s)")
     plt.xlabel("Time (s)")
     plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
     plt.tight_layout()
     plt.show()
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