

VAG tool documentation

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This is an update summary of VAG signal processing scripts used in the article *Spectral Analysis on Vibroarthrographic Signal of Total Knee Arthroplasty*. There are two issues solve in this version:

- Break the file allocation dependency. Former script use file allocation convention to run script properly, *i.e.*, the new data set need to be place in the correct directory, for example, `../../data/`.
- Use R library for plotting.

The overview of all code and folder structure is shown below:

```
vag-tool
├── doc // documentation latex source code
├── lib // this folder contains external library used to write up the script
│   ├── cdfa
│   ├── gsl-2.2.1
│   ├── libeemd
│   └── README
└── src // code written in this project
    ├──
    └── ...
```

Installation

Prerequisite is scientific python and r which can be easily installed on Debian linux with the command:

```
$ sudo apt-get install build-essential python-pip3 python3 ipython3 r-base
$ pip install numpy scipy matplotlib
```

Then copy the folder `vag-tool` to your computer. In order to make command line know the new script, we have to export the new path to the folder, which can be done easily by:

```
$ export PATH=$PATH:/path/to/vag-tool/src/
```

Additionally, we can add this line to the `.bash_profile` or `.bashrc` to make this line execute every time we attend the terminal session.

Usage

EEMD with libeemd

For IMFs, EEMD algorithm take a single time signal located at path, **in_path** and output the set of IMF to the output directory **out_dir**. In case multiple input files, there is a script called **signal_to_imfs_all** which replace path to input file, **in_path** with path to input directory **in_dir**

```
$ signal_to_imfs in_path out_dir\\
$ signal_to_imfs_all in_dir out_dir
```

DFA

After downloading library DFA and **make** process, there will be an executable **dfa**. This executable can be used directly one by one to create DFA pairs but not very convenient when we would like to process over the directory so that **script_dfa.sh** is introduced.

The parameter α is calculated from DFA pairs. Each IMFs is composed back with the alpha criterion, for example, $\alpha > 0.5$. Both steps (1) obtain α of each IMF (2) composite the IMFs back due to alpha criterion are done with **use_dfa** and **use_dfa_all**.