

Self-supervised Classification of Clinical Multivariate Time Series using Time Series Dynamics

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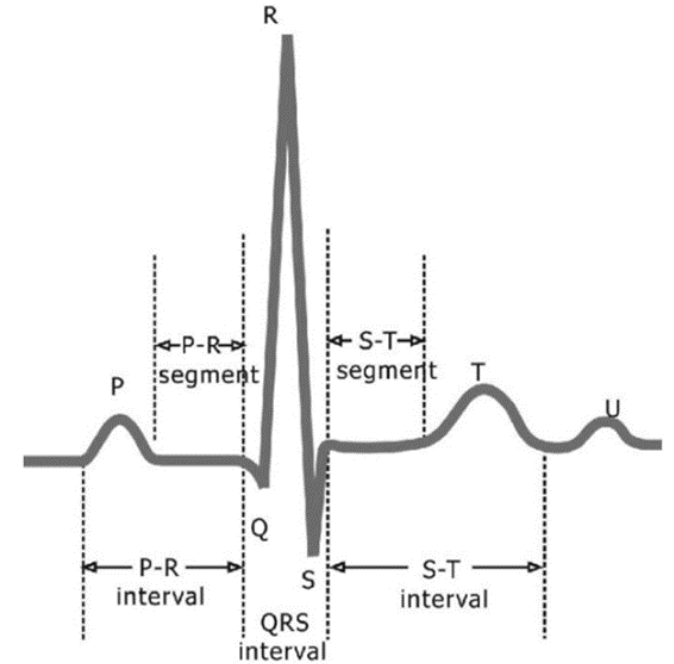
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Introduction

- The purpose is to **improve the accuracy of multivariate time series classification** with a novel **self-supervised** paradigm that captures the dynamics of MTS.
- The study is conducted on **clinical data** and the time series are multivariate because they are obtained from a sequence of measurements coming from multiple sensors.
- **Theoretically grounded** approach: **Koopman theory** allows us to project the complex and nonlinear dynamics of our time series into a linear space.

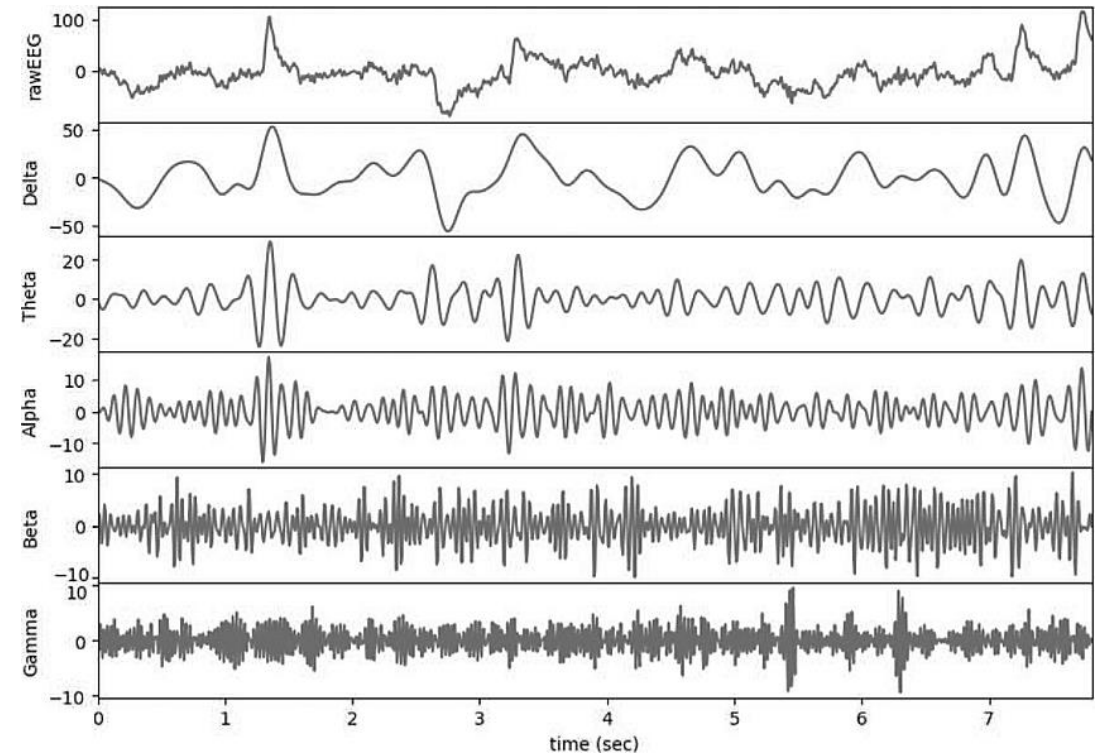
Electrocardiogram (ECG)

- An electrocardiogram (ECG) is a test that records the electrical activity of the heart.
- 10 electrodes (**12 leads**), each lead generates a time series of data.
- Duration of **10 seconds**.
- Sampling frequency of **500 Hz**.
- Combining the results of the different leads allows to infer cardiac activity and can help diagnose a variety of health conditions (arrhythmias, ventricular dysfunction, etc.)



Electroencephalogram (EEG)

- An electroencephalogram (EEG) is an electrical signal generated by the brain.
- **1-256 electrodes**, each electrode generates a time series of data called **channel**.
- Duration of **20-60 minutes**.
- From the raw EEG signal, specific frequency components are extracted:
 - Delta (< 4 Hz)
 - Theta (4-7 Hz)
 - Alpha (8-13 Hz)
 - Beta (14-30 Hz)
 - Gamma (> 30 Hz)
- The analysis of the different frequency components and waveforms allows to identify various neurological conditions (epilepsy, sleep disorders, brain tumor, etc.)



Method

- ECG and EEG signals can be modeled by **ODEs**.
- ODEs describe the evolution of a system over time, often in terms of nonlinear functions. In many cases, solving **nonlinear ODEs** analytically can be challenging.
- **Koopman theory** is a mathematical and dynamical systems framework used in the analysis of nonlinear systems.
- Koopman theory offers a method to **linearize** the dynamics of a nonlinear system.
- More specifically: we switch from a finite-dimensional **non**linear system to an **in**finite-dimensional linear one with the **Koopman operator**, which is an infinite-dimensional linear operator that acts on scalar observable functions by composition.

Koopman Theory

We focus on discrete-time dynamical systems since ECG and EEG data describes a continuous-time system sampled in discrete time:

$$x_{t+1} = F(x_t)$$

with $F : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$, $\dim(\mathcal{M}) = L$

Def. Given $\mathcal{G} = \{g : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$, the Koopman operator for our dynamical system is

$$\mathcal{K} : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{G} \mid g \mapsto g \circ F$$

We observe that:

- $g(x_{t+1}) = g \circ F(x_t) = \mathcal{K}g(x_t)$
- \mathcal{K} is linear: $\mathcal{K}(\alpha g + \beta h) = \alpha \mathcal{K}g + \beta \mathcal{K}h$

Learning Koopman Embedding

We want to find $K : \mathbb{R}^D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^D$ a finite-dimension approximation of \mathcal{K} and $\Gamma : \mathbb{R}^D \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$ s.t.

$$\Gamma \circ K \circ \Gamma^{-1} \approx \mathcal{K}$$

Notice that: $\mathcal{G} \xrightarrow{\Gamma^{-1}} \mathbb{R}^D \xrightarrow{K} \mathbb{R}^D \xrightarrow{\Gamma} \mathcal{G}$

We can rewrite the equation of the system as:

$$g(x_{t+1}) = \mathcal{K}g(x_t) = \Gamma K \Gamma^{-1} g(x_t)$$

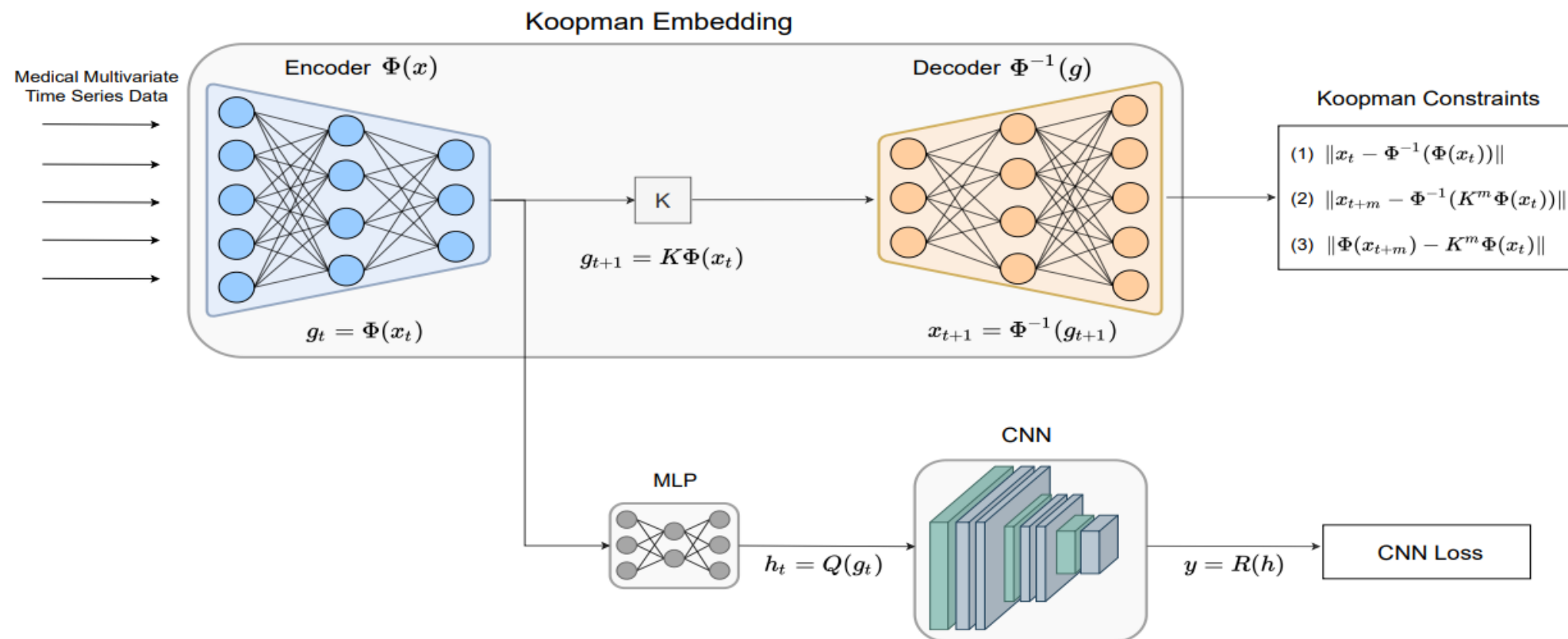
$$\Gamma^{-1} g(x_{t+1}) = K \Gamma^{-1} g(x_t)$$

We define $\Phi = \Gamma^{-1} g : \mathbb{R}^L \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^D$ and we obtain:

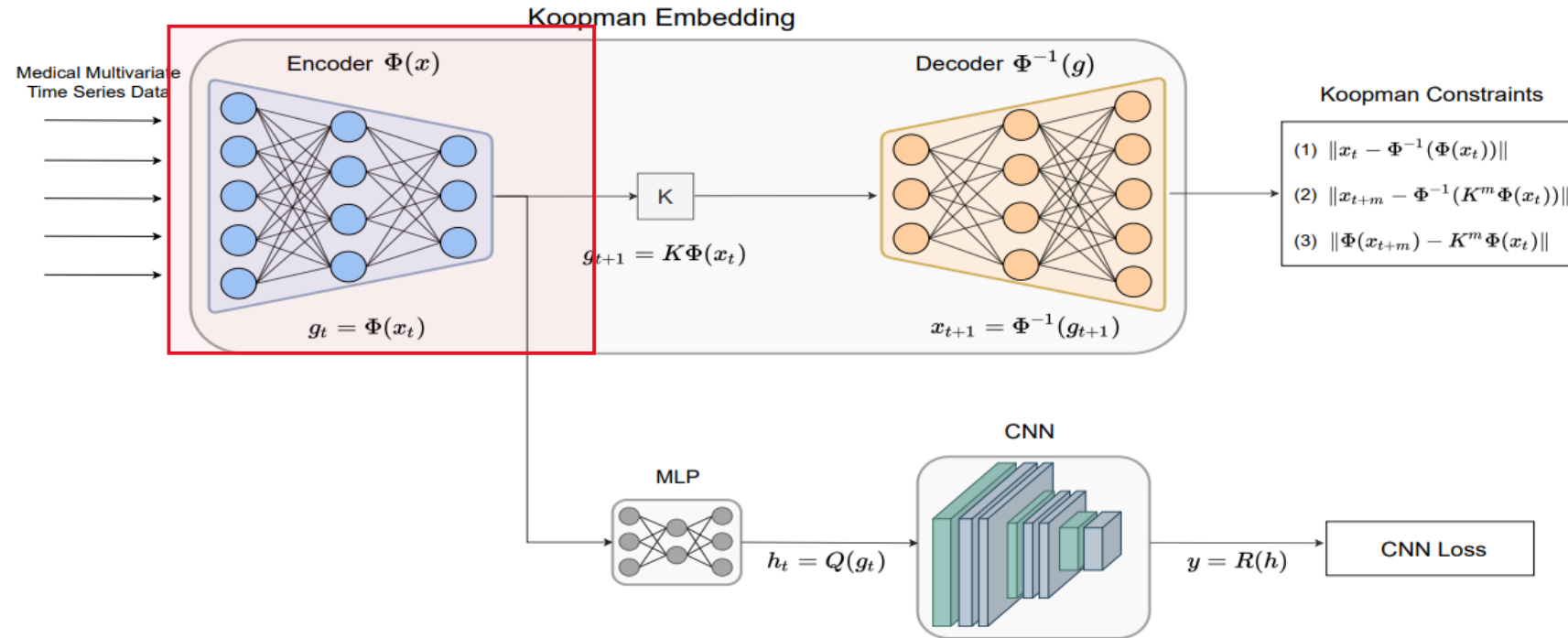
$$\Phi(x_{t+1}) = K \Phi(x_t)$$

We use a neural model to find Φ and K .

Model

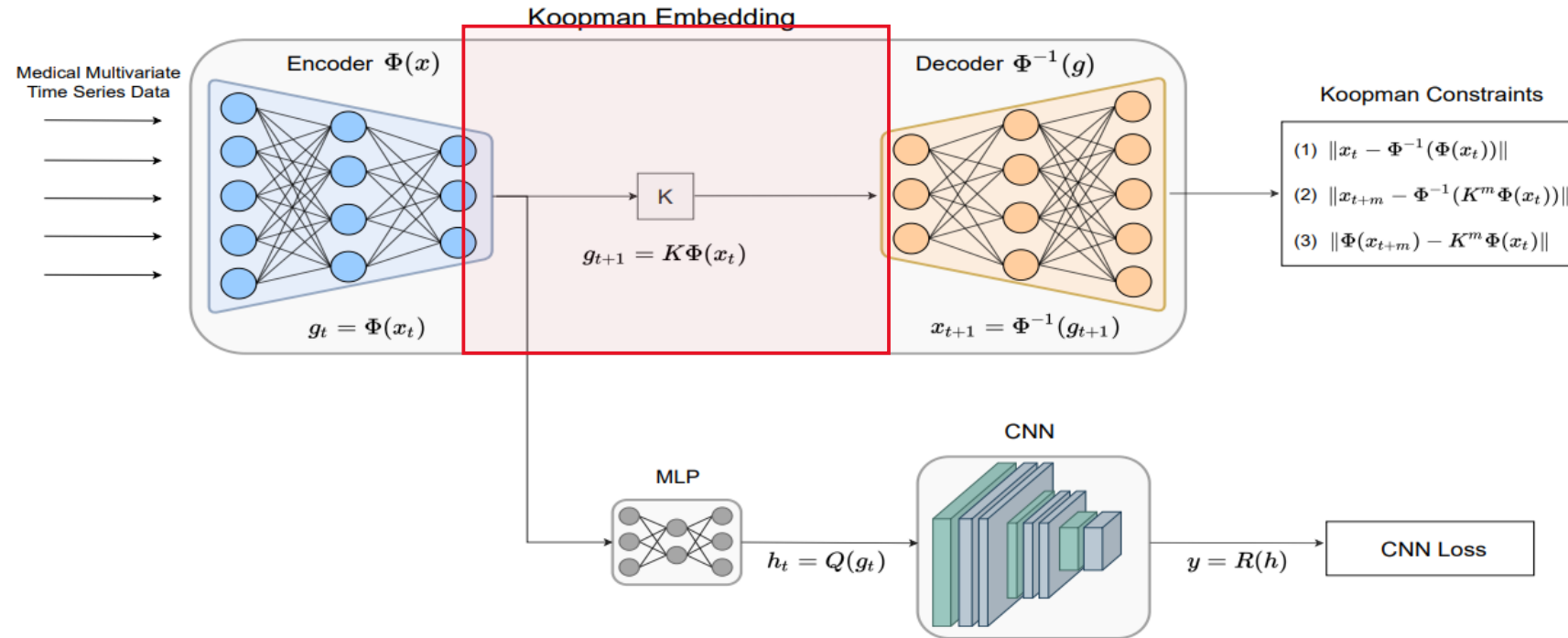


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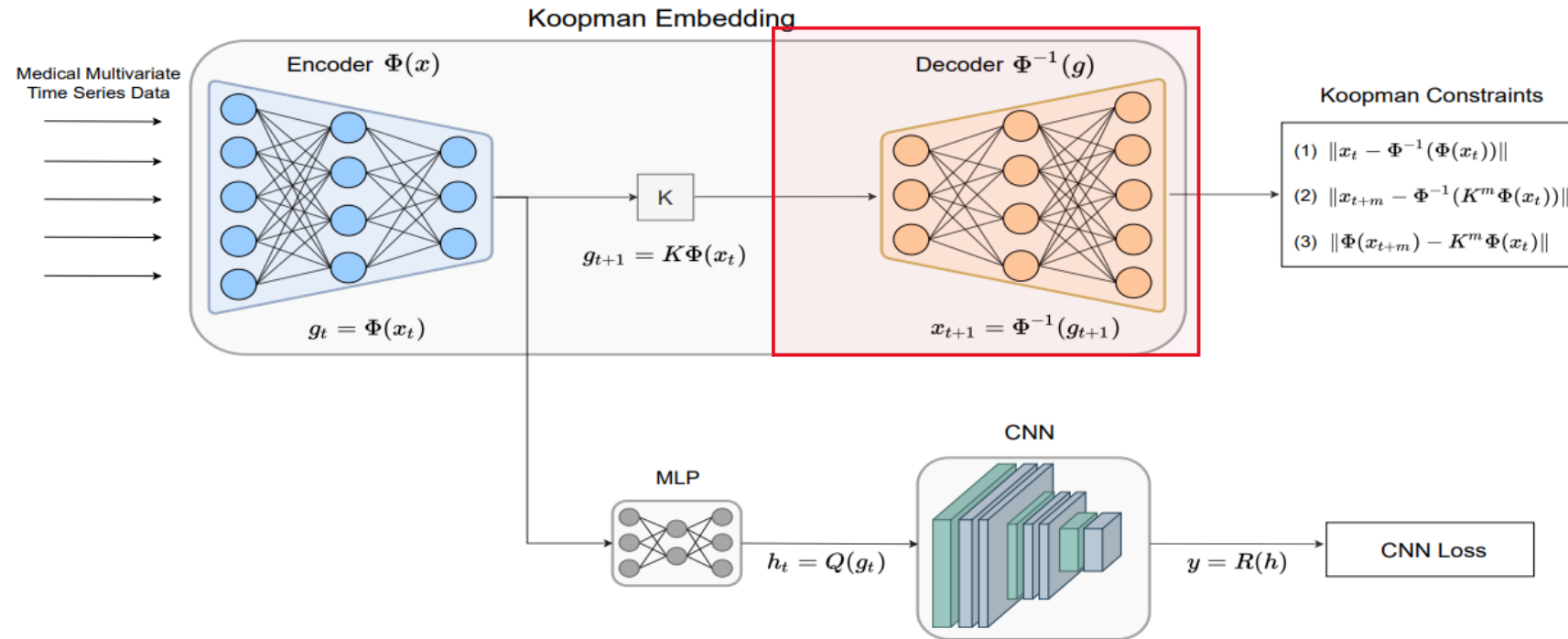
1. The encoder Φ encodes x_t into the Koopman embedding space G . In formula, $\Phi(x_t) = g(t)$.

Model



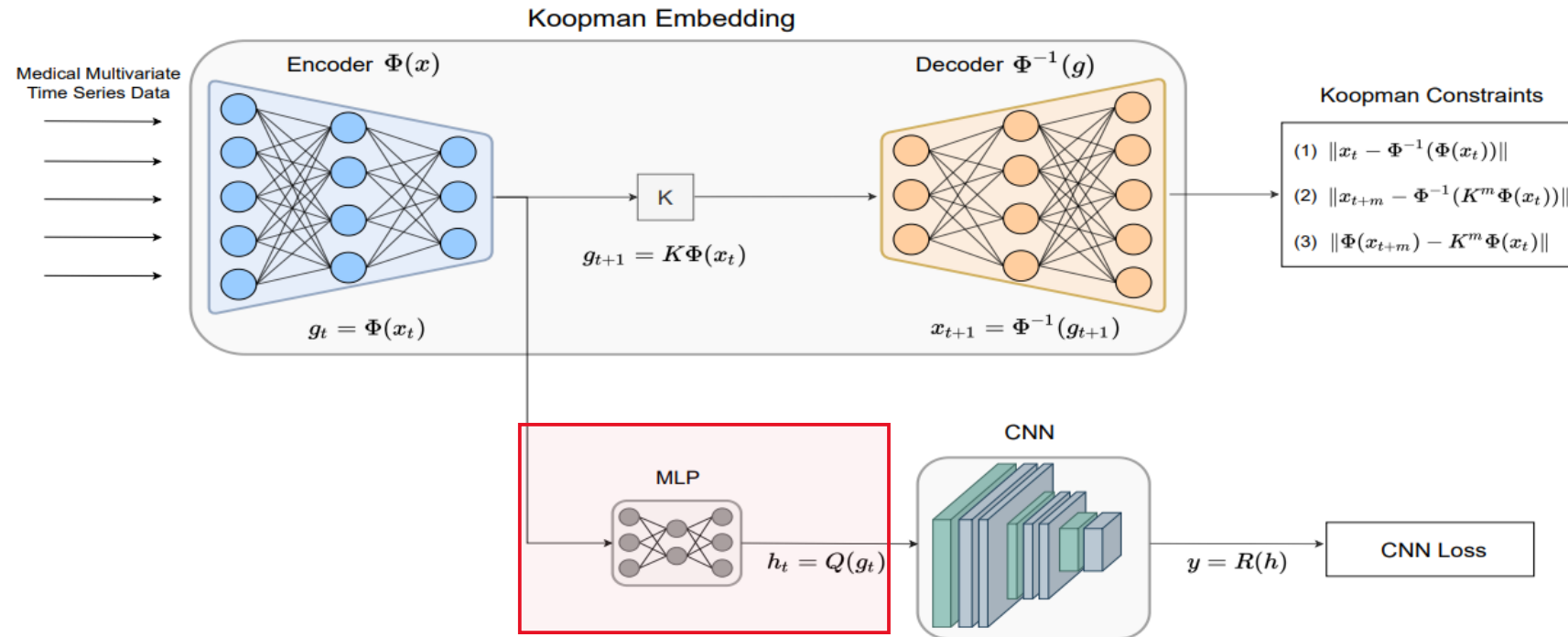
2a. In the Koopman space, the dynamic is linear: K is a single matrix, and $g_{t+1} = K g_t$.

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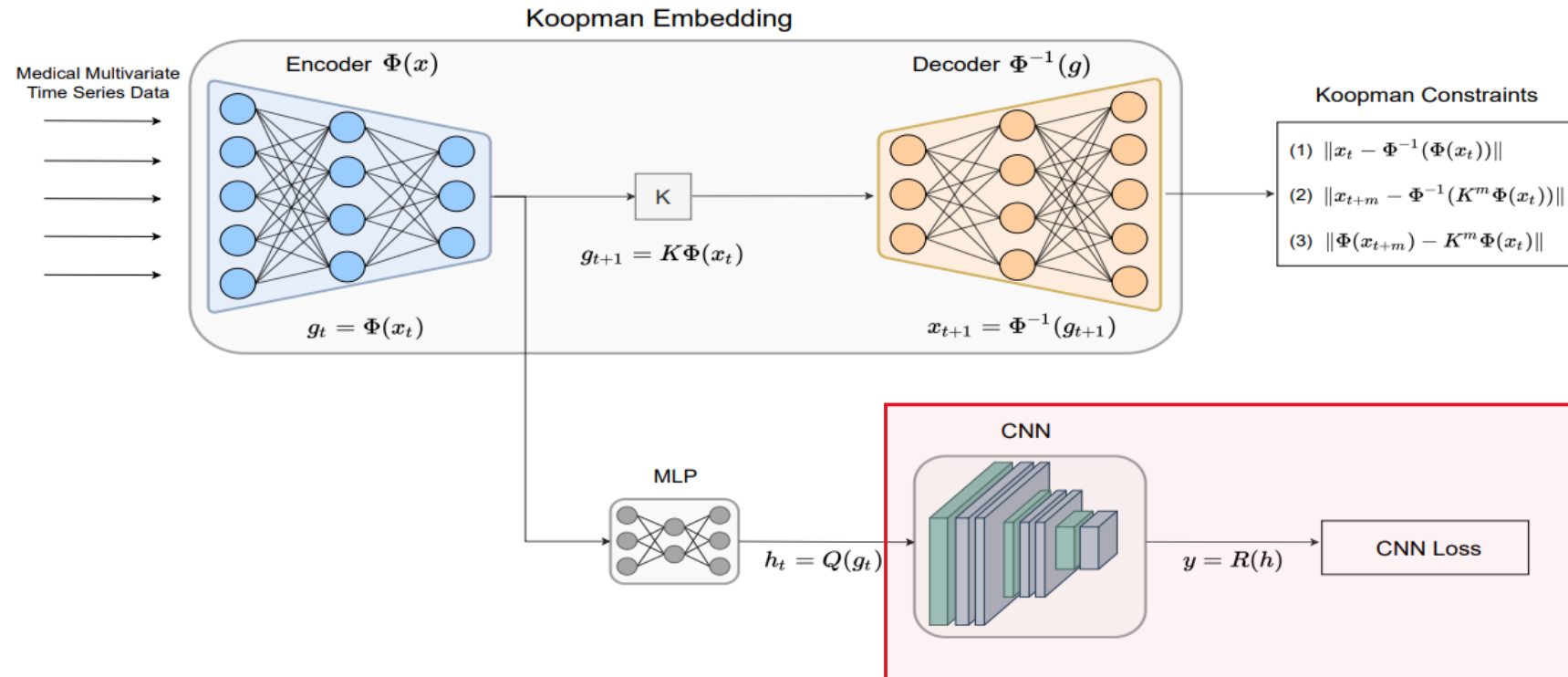
3a. The decoder Φ^{-1} brings g_{t+1} back to the original space.
In formula, $\Phi^{-1}(g_{t+1}) = x_{t+1}$.

Model



2b. The encoded input g_t also passes into a Feedforward Neural Network, which extracts useful features for classification $h_t = Q(g_t)$

Model



3b. Finally, the sequence of features $[h_1, \dots, h_t, \dots, h_T]$ is passed through a Convolutional Neural Network, that outputs the classification results

Losses of the model

In order to learn the correct linearization of the dynamics, we need a combination of three loss functions.

- Reconstruction Loss:

$$L_{rec} = ||x_t - \Phi^{-1}(\Phi(x_t))||$$

- Linear Dynamics:

$$L_{lin} = ||\Phi(x_{t+m}) - K^m \Phi(x_t)||, \forall m \geq 1$$

- Prediction of the Dynamics:

$$L_{pred} = ||x_{t+m} - \Phi^{-1}(K^m \Phi(x_t))||, \forall m \geq 1$$

In addition, a standard supervised loss (e.g. binary cross-entropy) is used to train the CNN

Datasets

ECG: two datasets

- **G12EC**: 10344 12-lead ECGs from 7871 patients
- **PTB-XL**: 21837 12-lead ECGs from 18885 patients
- 10 seconds, 500 Hz sampling frequency ➡ length of TS 5.000
- **Multi-Label** classification task, up to 27 different diagnoses
- We focus on the 6 most common anomalies

EEG: Temple University Hospital dataset

- 2,993 recordings,
- various lengths, 21 channels with different frequencies
- **Binary** classification task, normal or abnormal EEG

Results (ECG)

- Compared against SotA, a ResNet CNN
- Improvements in sensitivity and specificity of recognising almost every type of diagnosis.
- All statistically significant results, $p\text{-value} < 0.05$

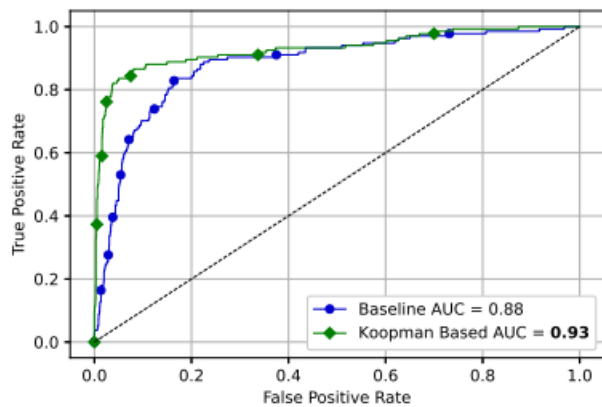
Table 1: Evaluation results - ECG (G12EC Dataset)

Abnormality	Temporal Projection + ResNet		ResNet Based	
	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity
AF	0.88	0.89	0.88	0.83
TAb	0.88	0.76	0.85	0.72
QAb	0.89	0.79	0.84	0.72
VPB	0.80	0.55	0.77	0.54
SA	0.68	0.65	0.65	0.55
LAD	0.97	0.90	0.94	0.87

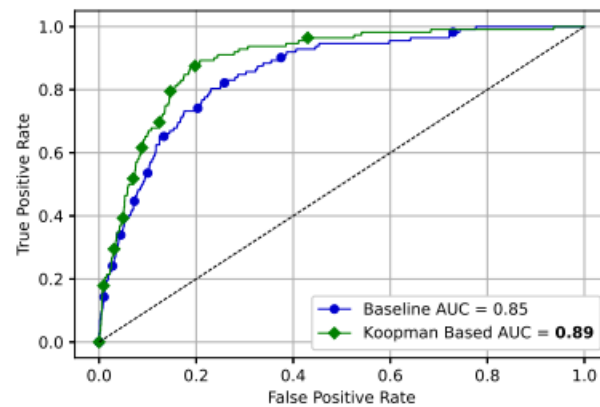
Table 2: Evaluation results - ECG (PTB-XL Dataset)

Abnormality	Temporal Projection + ResNet		ResNet Based	
	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity
AF	0.98	0.94	0.98	0.93
TAb	0.89	0.75	0.89	0.70
QAb	0.85	0.77	0.84	0.74
SA	0.67	0.59	0.65	0.53
LAD	0.91	0.90	0.91	0.87

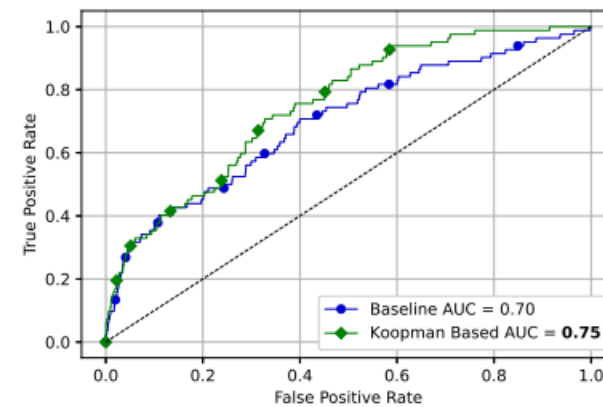
ROC Curves (ECG)



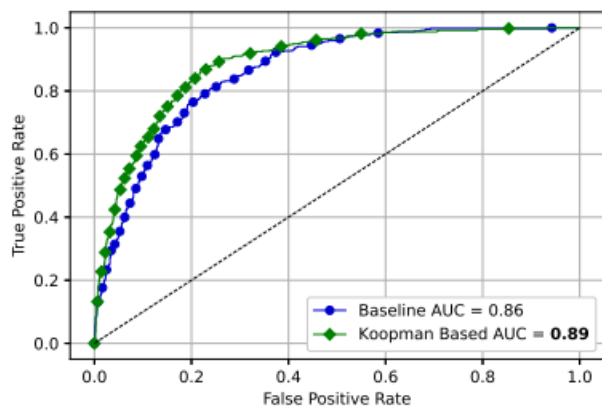
(a) Atrial fibrillation (AF)



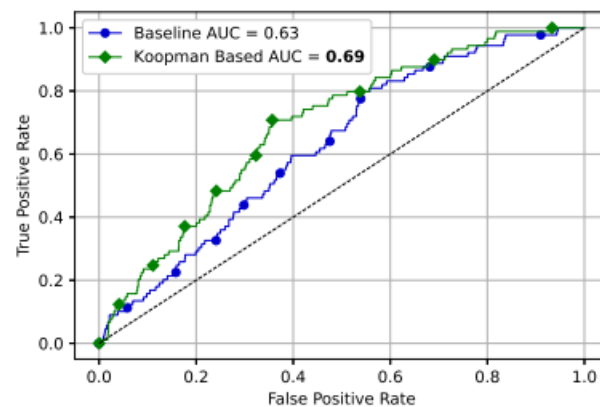
(b) Q wave abnormal (QAb)



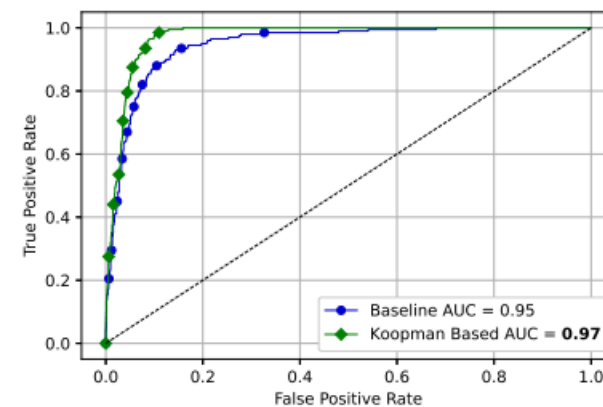
(c) Ventricular premature beats (VPB)



(d) T wave abnormal (TAb)



(e) Sinus arrhythmia (SA)

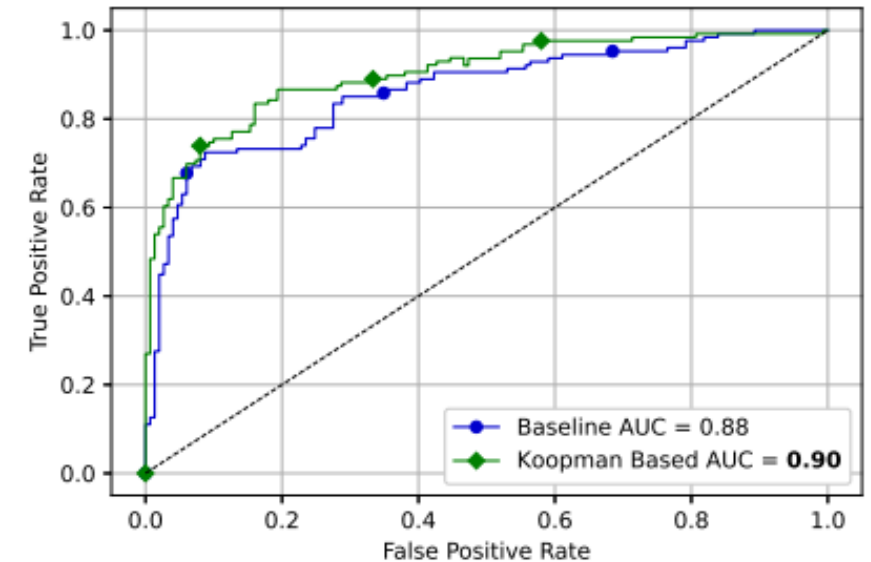


(f) Left axis deviation (LAD)

Results (EEG)

Table 3: Evaluation results - EEG

	Temporal Projection + CNN		CNN Based	
	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity
Normal vs. Abnormal	0.81	0.84	0.80	0.76



- Previous SotA: Convolutional Neural Network
- Huge improvement in specificity

Dimension of the Embeddings

- Choosing the right dimension for the embedding space is fundamental.
- For the ECGs a dimension of 30 turns out to be the best, for the EEGs is 40.
- Manually tune the hyperparameter for each task

Table 4: ECG Task: Koopman Embedding size

Temporal Projection + ResNet								
Abnormality	Dim = 10		Dim = 20		Dim = 30		Dim = 40	
	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity
AF	0.88	0.86	0.88	0.88	0.88	0.89	0.87	0.87
TAb	0.85	0.74	0.87	0.74	0.88	0.76	0.86	0.75
QAb	0.84	0.72	0.89	0.78	0.89	0.79	0.87	0.75
VPB	0.77	0.54	0.80	0.55	0.79	0.55	0.75	0.55
SA	0.65	0.55	0.66	0.58	0.68	0.65	0.68	0.65
LAD	0.94	0.89	0.95	0.89	0.97	0.90	0.97	0.89

Table 5: EEG Task: Koopman Embedding size

Temporal Projection +CNN								
Abnormality	Dim = 20		Dim = 30		Dim = 40		Dim = 50	
	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity
Normal vs. Abnormal	0.80	0.82	0.80	0.78	0.81	0.84	0.80	0.80

Importance of Linearity Constraint

- Experiment to evaluate the importance of the linearity loss

$$L_{lin} = || \Phi(x_{t+m}) - K^m \Phi(x_t) ||$$

- Training with only the autoencoder loss, results are worse

Table 6: The importance of the linearity constraint - ECG

	Temporal Projection + ResNet		AutoEncoder + ResNet	
Abnormality	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity
AF	0.88	0.89	0.88	0.86
TAb	0.88	0.76	0.85	0.74
QAb	0.89	0.79	0.86	0.75
VPB	0.80	0.55	0.77	0.55
SA	0.68	0.65	0.66	0.59
LAD	0.97	0.90	0.96	0.88

Table 7: The importance of the linearity constraint - EEG

	Temporal Projection + CNN		AutoEncoder + CNN + CNN	
	Sensitivity	Specificity	Sensitivity	Specificity
Normal vs. Abnormal	0.81	0.84	0.80	0.79

Conclusions

Major contributions:

- Self-supervised learning offers us additional information about multivariate time series dynamics, specifically ECGs and EEGs.
- Koopman embeddings are an approach that is grounded in theory of control of dynamical systems, and that proved to be very solid also experimentally.

Major limitations:

- Embedding size is an additional hyperparameter, not obvious from the context.
- Embedding size is also often bigger than the original size, which leads to more expensive computations.

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