# seizureDetection Matlab Tool User Guide

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## 1 Introduction

These MATLAB classes and functions were developed for the Berkeley MEng Capstone Project On-Chip Biosignal Computation for Health Monitoring at the University of California, Berkeley Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science during the 2017-2018 academic year. The advisor was professor Rikky Muller.

The goal of the project was to develop a implantable microchip that monitors the brain's electrical activity (electroencephalogram or EEG) to detect seizures. This tool was developed while coming up with a detection algorithm that could reliably detect seizures while minimizing hardware complexity.

Note: The final project report should also be available to download at the same location as this tool. Reading it, especially the software part (section 2.1) of it will help understand this tool. Furthermore, all functions should have ample comments and the main.m file contains example of how to uses the functions and classes provided by this tool.

This documentation is not exhaustive, it is supposed to give an overview of the tool. Many functions in the code are not documented here (but there are ample comments within the code).

#### 2 Tool overview

The main component of the tool are 4 MATLAB classes:

- The Measurement class holds raw EEG data.
- The FeatureCalculation class is used to extract different features from the data. It offers several functions to calculate that feature, further process it and visualize it. Every feature has it's own class that is a children of the FeatureCalculation class.
- The FeatureMatrix class serves to hold multiple FeatureCalculation objects inside a matrix.
- The MatrixDetection class is used to detect seizures. It uses the information of all the features stored inside a FeatureMatrix object to calculate a weighted sum that will be used to detect seizures.

The usual workflow is as follows:

- 1. Create a Measurement object with some EEG data. This can be achieved either by downloading the data from iEEG.org using the function IEEG\_getData or manually creating a Measurement object with the appropriate data.
- 2. Filter the data using the preprocess function of the Measurement class. Then calculate different features and store those in a FeatureMatrix object. This can be done by adapting the script generateMatrix.
- $3. \ \,$  Create a  ${\tt MatrixDetection}$  object and use it to detect seizures.

## 3 The Measurement class

The Measurement class holds the EEG data and the location of the seizures.

The function IEEG\_getData allows to download data from the iEEG.org<sup>1</sup> website (see section 8.1).

## 3.1 Class Properties

The table below show the properties of the Measurement class. Some of these properties have their SetAcces set to protected, meaning it is not possible to modify them directly from outside the class. This is done to protect the integrity of the object by preventing accidental modification of important properties.

Name:	Description:
Data	holds the EEG data
Ts	sampling time in seconds
Fs	sampling frequency in Hz (equivalent to 1/Ts)
Length	length of the Data property in samples
NumSeizures	number of seizures present in the measurment
SeizureStart	a double array containing the start of each seizure in terms of samples
SeizureEnd	a double array containing the end of each seizure in terms of samples
SeizureDuration	the duration of each seizure in seconds
Duration	duration of the measurement in seconds
isNaN	a logical array that has the same length as the Data property. For some measurement, the original data contains NaN values. This results in issues when filtering the data. Thus the object is created, these NaN values are replaced with their nearest non NaN value, but their position is remembered so that the original NaN value can be set again at a later point.
FilterOrder	the order of the bandpass filter used to preprocess the data
FilterFc1	the lower cutoff frequency of the bandpass filter, in Hz
FilterFc2	the higher cutoff frequency of the bandpass filter, in Hz
StudyName	a string containing the original name of the study the data is coming from. This is mainly used to identify the data.
StudyChannelNumber	a double holding the channel number the data is coming from. This is mainly used to identify the data.
StudyChannelName	a string holding the identifier of the channel. This is mainly used to identify the data.

#### 3.2 Class methods

#### 3.2.1 Constructor

An instance of the Measurement class is created by calling the class constructor:

```
measurement = Measurement(data, Fs, seizureStart, seizureEnd, 'Name', 'Value')
```

It has 4 required input arguments. data is the raw EEG data and Fs the sampling frequency. seizureStart and seizureEnd are two vectors containing the start and end location in samples of each seizure.

<sup>1</sup>https://www.ieeg.org

Possible Name-Value pairs for customization are:

Name:	Type:
StudyName	char
StudyChannelNumber	scalar double
StudyChannelName	char

The FilterOrder, FilterFc1 and FilterFc2 are initialized with default values 6, 1 Hz and 70 Hz respectively and can be changed once the object is created.

#### 3.2.2 Preprocess function

The preprocess() function filters the data using a Butterworth bandpass filter with order and cutoff frequencies specified in the object properties. This function has no input arguments.

The filter object is created using MATLAB's builtin fdesign.bandpass and design functions. The resulting feature object is a second-order section implementation, meaning that several second order Butterworth filters are cascaded. For example, if original order is 6, then 3 second order sessions will be cascaded. This implementation reduces the hardware requirement of the filter and prevents the filter from becoming unstable due to the numerical instability introduced by the bilinear transformation in the filter design process.

#### 3.2.3 Downsample function

The downsample(n) function downsample the measurement by an integer factor. For example, if the original sampling frequency is 512 Hz, then after calling downsample(2), the sampling frequency will be 256 Hz.

The function takes one input, n, which is the downsampling factor. It has to be an integer, and the resulting frequency also has to be an integer. For example, a 512 Hz measurement cannot be downsampled by 3.

Internally, the MATLAB function decimate is called, which applied an anti-aliasing lowpass filter to the data before downsampling it to avoid aliasing.

All object properties like seizureStart are adjusted to the new sampling frequency.

#### 3.2.4 Cut function

The function cut(startIndex, endIndex) trims the measurement to the indices given as input parameters. The function issues a warning if seizures are removed from the data and throws an error if the start or end index are within a seizure. All object properties like seizureStart and duration are adjusted to the start and end.

#### 3.2.5 Other functions

The function plot() plots the current EEG data. Seizures are plotted in red. If the measurement is very large, it will take a while to run and the resulting plot will not be very responsive when interacted with.

The function isSeizure(queryIndices) return a logical array of the same size as the input argument queryIndices. For every index inside queryIndices, the output is True if that index corresponds to a seizure in the measurement and False otherwise.

## 4 The FeatureCalculation class and it's children

The FeatureCalculation class is an abstract class used to calculate one feature from the EEG data. It has 4 children that can be instantiated:

- The LineLength class to calculate the line length feature
- The Nonlinear Energy class to calculate the nonlinear energy feature
- The Power class to calculate power in the whole spectrum
- The SpectralBandPower class to calculate the power in one spectral band

See appendix A.1 for the mathematical formulas of how those features are implemented.

## 4.1 Class Properties

The table below show the properties of the FeatureCalculation class. As for the Measurement class, some of these properties have their SetAcces set to protected. The term 'feature sample' refers to the update frequency or step size of the sliding window used to calculate the feature. For example, it is 0.2 seconds by default, meaning one feature sample is equivalent to 0.2 seconds and one new feature value will be calculated every 0.2 seconds.

Name:	Description:
FeatureName	the name of the feature
Value	the value of the feature
CharacteristicCurve	holds an OperatingCharacteristicCurve object (see section 7)
StudyName	study name of original measurement, copied from the linked measure-
	ment
StudyChannelNumber	channel number of original measurement, copied from the linked measurement
StudyChannelName	identifier of the channel, copied from the linked measurement
${\tt BaselineWindowLength}$	the length of the window over which the baseline is calculated, in term of feature samples
BaselineShift	the amount of time the window over which the baseline is calculated is delayed, in term of feature samples
BaselineRefreshrate	how often the baseline value is updated, in term of feature samples
ThresholdBaselineFactor	factor by which the baseline is multiplied to obtain the threshold
LinkedMeasurement	a handle (reference/link) to the Measurement object that is being analysed
PlotHandle	a handle to the plot of the feature (if there is one)
AxesHandle	a handle array containing the axes handles of the plot (if there is one)
CostSensitivity	factor for calculating cost of not detecting seizures when finding the best
J	threshold
CostFalseAlarmRate	factor for calculating cost of false alarms when finding the best threshold
SeizureHoldTime	duration of a seizure for evaluation purpose in feature samples (see sec-
	tion $4.2.3$ )
Baseline	feature value baseline, average of feature value over a longer window,
	used to calculate the threshold
StepSize	update frequency of the sliding window, in terms of measurement samples
	(for example, if the sampling frequency of the measurement is 500Hz and
	the update frequency is 0.2s, then StepSize will be 100)

WindowLength the length of the window used to calculate the feature value, in terms of

measurement samples (for example, if the sampling frequency of the measurement is 500Hz and the update frequency is 1s, then WindowLength

will be 500)

Length total number of calculated values

SeizureStart start index of the seizures, in terms of feature samples end index of the seizures, in terms of feature samples

NumSeizures total number of seizures

MeasurementFs sampling rate of linked measurement, useful is case the link in the

LinkedMeasurement property is deleted

Duration duration of linked measurement, useful is case the link in the

LinkedMeasurement property is deleted

Sensitivity percentage of detected seizures

Specificity percentage of time above threshold outside of seizure areas

FalseAlarms number of false alarms

ThresholdCrossings number of times the feature value exceeded the threshold

FalseAlarmRate number of false alarms per hour

MissedSeizures locations of seizure that were not detected, in terms of feature samples

Logical array, index BitSeizureDetected[i] is True when the ith

seizure is detected by this feature and False otherwise

ThresholdCrossedLocation indices where the feature value crossed the threshold, in terms of feature

samples

FalseAlarmLocation indices of false alarms, in terms of feature samples

Additionally, the SpectralBandPower has two additional properties:

- FrequencyBounds contains the upper and lower frequency limit in Hz of the band. It is also used as cutoff frequencies when filtering the data during the feature value calculation.
- FilterOrder is the order of the Butterworth bandpass filter used to filter the data

## 4.2 Class Methods

#### 4.2.1 Constructors

The FeatureCalculation is an abstract class and can therefore not be instanciated.

The objects of the classes LineLength, NonlinearEnergy and Power can be created by calling

```
linelength = LineLength(measurement, 'Name', 'Value')
nonlinearEnergy = NonlinearEnergy(measurement, 'Name', 'Value')
power = Power(measurement, 'Name', 'Value')
```

where measurement is a Measurement object.

Possible Name-Value pairs are:

Name:	Type:	Default:	Description
StepSize_seconds	double	0.2	defines by how much the sliding window is
			moved in seconds (equivalent to how often
			the sliding window is updated). This can be
			thought of as the feature sampling frequency.
VindowLength_seconds	double	1	the length of the sliding window in seconds
BaselineAverageTime_seconds	double	180	over what period of time the baseline is cal-
			culated, is seconds
AverageWindowShift_seconds	double	120	by how much the window over which the base-
			line is calculated is delayed, in seconds
BaselineRefreshRate_seconds	double	30	how often the baseline is recalcu-
			lated/refreshed, in seconds
SeizureHoldTime_seconds	double	60	duration of a seizure for evaluation purpose
			in feature samples (see section 4.2.3)
CostSensitivity	double	50	factor for calculating cost of not detecting
			seizures when finding the best threshold
CostFalseAlarmRate	double	1	factor for calculating cost of having many
			false alarms when finding the best threshold
ThresholdBaselineFactor	double	5	factor by which the baseline is multiplied to
			obtain the threshold
BaselineAverageTime_seconds AverageWindowShift_seconds BaselineRefreshRate_seconds BeizureHoldTime_seconds CostSensitivity CostFalseAlarmRate	double double double double double double	180 120 30 60 50	the length of the sliding window in seconds over what period of time the baseline is calculated, is seconds by how much the window over which the baseline is calculated is delayed, in seconds how often the baseline is recalculated/refreshed, in seconds duration of a seizure for evaluation purpose in feature samples (see section 4.2.3) factor for calculating cost of not detecting seizures when finding the best threshold factor for calculating cost of having many false alarms when finding the best threshold factor by which the baseline is multiplied to

Instances of the SpectralBandPower class are created by calling

thetaBand = SpectralBandPower(measurement, bandName, frequencyBounds)

where bandName is a char containing the name of that band and frequencyBounds and double array of length 2 containing the upper and lower limit of the band in Hz. Additionally, the order of the filter used to filter the data can be passed as a Name-Value pair, for example

thetaBand = SpectralBandPower(measurement, 'ThetaBand', [4 8], 'FilterOrder', 6)

The constructors of all 4 children class convert the parameters specified by the Name-Value pairs (or the default values) from duration in seconds to length in feature samples.

#### 4.2.2 Calculate function

The calculate() function calculates the feature value using the filtered data in the Measurement object linked to it. It does not take any input arguments. It calls the calculateFeatureValue that has to be implemented by the children classes. The calculateFeatureValue used the MATLAB builtin function movmean since it allows for a fast calculation of the feature value.

The calculate function also calculates the baseline. The baseline is the average of the feature value over a longer window (180 seconds by default). This window is however delayed by a certain amount (120 seconds by default). For example, the baseline corresponding to time t will be calculated by averaging the feature value from time t-300 to time t-120.

#### 4.2.3 Evaluate function

The evaluate() function calculates the seizure detection metrics using the current value of the ThresholdBaselineFactor property. See appendix A.2 for a definition of some of the metrics calculated. It does not take any input arguments.

One seizure counts as detected when the feature value crosses the threshold at least once during the seizure time.

One false alarm is defined as the feature value crossing the threshold outside of seizure areas. However, if the threshold is crossed repeatedly within a short timeframe (specified by the SeizureHoldTime) property, only the first threshold crossing is marked as a false alarm and all others are ignored. This is to avoid generating too many false alarms when the feature values oscillates around the threshold. This also mirrors the behavior of the actual seizure detection chip, where a response is trigger when a seizure is detected. This response cannot be trigged in too short time intervals. Thus, internally, the function calculateFalseAlarmLocation is called to identify and delete such redundant false alarms.

#### 4.2.4 CalculateOperatingCharacteristicCurve function

The calculateOperatingCharacteristicCurve() calculates the sensitivity and false alarm rate for different ThresholdBaselineFactor and uses the result to create a OperatingCharacteristicCurve object (see section 7) that is then stored in the CharacteristicCurve property. It does not take any input arguments.

The sensitivities and false alarm rates are calculated by calling the evaluate function repeatedly for different values of ThresholdBaselineFactor.

#### 4.2.5 FindBestThreshold function

The findBestThreshold() function finds the value of ThresholdBaselineFactor that minimizes a cost function and stores it inside that property. It does not take any input arguments. The cost function is currently defined by

 $Cost = CostSensitivity \times (1 - Sensitivity)^2 + CostSensitivity \times FalseAlarmRate.$ 

The findBestThreshold function uses the sensitivities and false alarm rates stored in the OperatingCharacteristicCurve object to calculate the cost, therefore the function calculateOperatingCharacteristicCurve must be called before the findBestThreshold function.

#### 4.2.6 Plot function

The plot(flags) function plots the feature value. Several flags can be passed as chars to the function to modify how the plot looks:

- 'Measurement': also plot the linked measurement data. This will results in a plot with two subplots and can be slow if the measurement is large.
- 'Threshold': plots the threshold in addition the feature value
- 'Baseline': plots the baseline in addition the feature value
- 'Mark': mark missed seizures and false alarms on the plot
- 'Bare': removes legends and ticks and other annotations from the plot

For example, the plot in figure 1 was created by calling the command

linelength.plot('Measurement', 'Threshold', 'Mark').

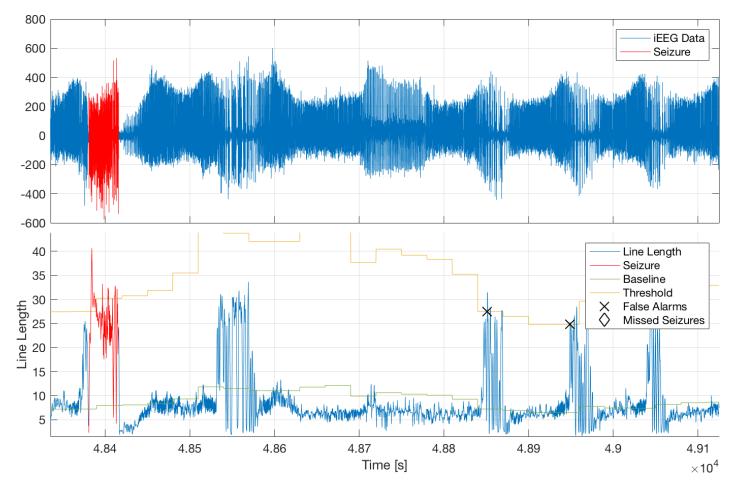


Figure 1: Example of a plot generated with the plot function of the FeatureCalculation class.

## 5 The FeatureMatrix class

The FeatureMatrix class provides a container to store FeatureCalculation objects (more precisely, it's children object) inside a matrix.

A feature matrix object can be generated by adapting the generateMatrix script.

## 5.1 Class Properties

All the properties of the FeatureMatrix class are private.

Name:	Description:
FeatureNames	a cell array of strings containing the names of the features
Matrix	the actual feature matrix, it is a cell array of size number of channels $\times$
	number of features
NumChannels	number of channels (and therefore rows) in the feature matrix
NumFeatures	number of different features (and therefore columns) in the feature matrix
NumElements	the total number of elements in the matrix (equals to number of rows $\times$
	number of columns)
FeatureLength	the length in samples of one feature
NumSeizures	the number of seizures in one feature
SensitivityMatrix	a double matrix of the same size as Matrix that holds the sensitivity of
	each feature
${ t Specificity Matrix}$	a double matrix of the same size as Matrix that holds the specificity of
	each feature
${\tt FalseAlarmRateMatrix}$	a double matrix of the same size as Matrix that holds the false alarm
	rate of each feature
AreaMatrix	a double matrix of the same size as Matrix that holds the area under
	curve between a false alarm rate of 0 and 1 of each feature
${\sf FlagMatrix}$	a 3-dimensional matrix of logical values. Index $[i, j, k]$ is true when for
	channel $i$ feature $j$ is above it's threshold at index $k$ . The dimension is
	[number of channel $\times$ number of features $\times$ length of one feature]
${\tt BitSeizureDetectedMatrix}$	a 3-dimensional matrix of logical values. Index $[i, j, k]$ is true when for
	channel $i$ feature $j$ detected seizure number $k$ . The dimension is [number
	of channel $\times$ number of features $\times$ number of seizures]

#### 5.2 Class Methods

#### 5.2.1 Constructor

The construct of the FeatureMatrix class has two required input arguments, the number of channels numChannels which is a double and a cell array of string containing the names of the features that will be included in the feature matrix.

matrix = FeatureMatrix(numChannels, featureNames)

The feature names have to match exactly with the FeatureName properties of the features classes.

#### 5.2.2 Filling the feature matrix entries

An single element can be added to the matrix by the following command:

```
matrix.setElement(indexChannel, feature)
```

where indexChannel is a double corresponding to the channel number and feature is a feature calculation object. The setElement function will compare the FeatureName property of the object passed as input argument and compare it with the FeatureNames property of the FeatureMatrix object to determine the correct insertion column. This is why when instantiating a FeatureMatrix object, the feature names passed to the constructor have to match the names of the feature objects.

#### 5.2.3 Filling the other matrices

The matrices SensitivityMatrix, SpecificityMatrix, FlagMatrix and BitSeizureDetectedMatrix can be filled by calling the function fillMatrices(). These matrices are mainly used for the matrix (weighted sum) seizure detection.

The matrix AreaMatrix can be filled by calling the fillAreaMatrix() function. This requires all elements inside the feature matrix to have their CharacteristicCurve property calculated.

#### 5.2.4 Plotting all features in on channel or all features of one kind

The function plot(strWhat, index) plots either all features in one channel if the input argument strWhat is set to 'feature' or one specific feature for all channels if it is set to 'channel'. The feature or channel to plot is determined by the second input argument index. For example, to plot all features of channel 1 call plot('channel', 1) and to plot the nonlinear energy feature for all channels call plot('feature', '2') (assuming the nonlinear feature corresponds to the seconds column). As with the plot function of the FeatureCalculation object, it is possible to pass additional flags to the function to customize the appearance of the plot (see section 4.2.6). The possible flags are:

- 'Threshold': plots the threshold in addition the feature value
- 'Baseline': plots the baseline in addition the feature value
- 'Mark': mark missed seizures and false alarms on the plot
- 'Bare': removes legends and ticks and other annotations from the plot

For example, the plot in figure 2 was created using the command

```
matrix.plot('feature', 1, 'Threshold', 'Mark', 'Bare').
```

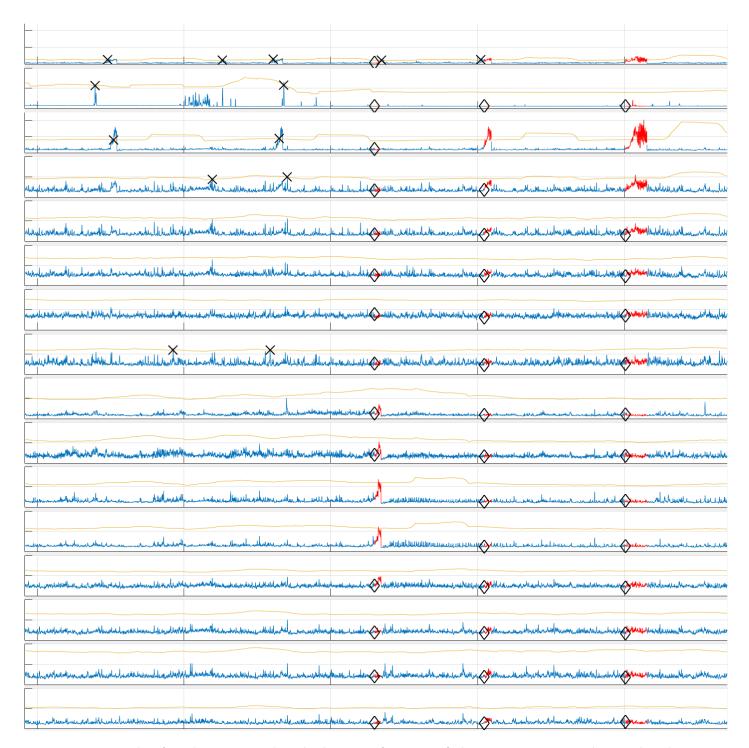


Figure 2: Example of a plot generated with the plot function of the FeatureMatrix class. The plot is not annotated because the flag 'Bare' was used.

## 6 The MatrixDetection class and it's children

The MatrixDetection class is a class designed to handle the weighted sum detection of seizures. The idea is to assign a weight to every feature of the feature matrix inside the FeatureMatrix class. The weight is determined by how good that feature is at detecting seizures. For more information on how and why this is done, please read the Capstone Project Final Report that is also available with this user guide.

The class can be instantiated on it's own, but usually one of it's children is used. Currently, there is only one children of this class, the MatrixDetection\_LinearRegression class.

This class is in many aspects similar to the FeatureCalculation class.

## 6.1 Class properties

This class has many of the properties of the FeatureCalculation class.

Name:	Description:
<i>N</i> eightMatrix	a double matrix that holds the weight of every element of the feature
	matrix
Vame	name of the object
Value	the value of the weighted sum
CharacteristicCurve	holds an OperatingCharacteristicCurve object (see section 7)
Threshold	the threshold used for detection. Unlike in the FeatureCalculation
	class, this is a fixed value as there is no baseline in the MatrixDetection
	class.
LinkedMatrix	a handle (reference/link) to the FeatureMatrix object that is being anal-
	ysed
NumElements	number of elements in the linked feature matrix
CostSensitivity	factor for calculating cost of not detecting seizures when finding the best
	threshold
CostFalseAlarmRate	factor for calculating cost of false alarms when finding the best threshold
SeizureHoldTime	duration of a seizure for evaluation purpose in feature samples (see sec-
	tion $4.2.3$ )
FeatureLength	the length of the individual features, also the length of the weighted sum
	value
SeizureStart	start index of the seizures, in terms of feature samples
SeizureEnd	end index of the seizures, in terms of feature samples
NumSeizures	total number of seizures
Sensitivity	percentage of detected seizures
Specificity	percentage of time above threshold outside of seizure areas
FalseAlarms	number of false alarms
ThresholdCrossings	number of times the feature value exceeded the threshold
FalseAlarmRate	number of false alarms per hour
MissedSeizures	locations of seizure that were not detected, in terms of feature samples
BitSeizureDetected	Logical array, index BitSeizureDetected[i] is True when the ith
	seizure is detected by this feature and False otherwise
ThresholdCrossedLocation	indices where the feature value crossed the threshold, in terms of feature
	samples
${ t False Alarm Location}$	indices of false alarms, in terms of feature samples
Ranking	a [number of elements $\times$ 1] struct that ranks all the different features by
	their weight

#### ThresholdFactorValues

different threshold values to evaluate when calculating the operating characteristic curve. The calculateOperatingCharacteristicCurve function will evaluate the detection at all threshold specified in this property.

#### 6.2 Class methods

#### 6.2.1 Constructor

The constructor of the MatrixDetection class has one required input argument matrix that is an FeatureMatrix object.

Possible Name-Value pairs are:

Name:	Type:	Default:	Description
Name	char	'Generic Matrix De-	name of the object
		tection'	
CostSensitivity	double	50	factor for calculating cost of not de-
			tecting seizures when finding the best
			threshold
${\tt CostFalseAlarmRate}$	double	1	factor for calculating cost of having
			many false alarms when finding the
			best threshold
ThresholdFactorValues	double		the threshold values at which to eval-
	vector		uate when calculating the operating
			characteristic curve

Some of the class properties are simply copied from the FeatureCalculation object inside the feature matrix.

#### 6.2.2 Calculate function

The calculate() function calculates the weighted sum value by using the weights inside the WeightMatrix property. After calculating the weighted sum, the operating characteristic curve is calculated and the best threshold is found.

The weight calculation either has to be implemented by the children class (see section 6.3) or the weight matrix has to be set externally.

The way the operating characteristic curve and the best threshold are computed is identical to the way it is done in the FeatureCalculation class. The only difference is that the operating characteristic curve is calculated by only evaluating the threshold specified in the ThresholdFactorValues property. If it is empty, 100 values linearly spaced between 0 and maximum of the weighted sum are used instead.

The equivalent of the evaluate function in the FeatureCalculation class it the weightedDetection function.

## 6.2.3 PlotWeightedDetection function

Similar to the plot function of the FeatureCalculation class (see section 4.2.6) except that the possible input flags are restricted to 'Threshold' and 'Mark'.

## 6.3 The MatrixDetection LinearRegression class

The MatrixDetection\_LinearRegression is a children of the MatrixDetection detection class. It has three additional properties:

- CalculationFunctionHandle: a function handle to the function that is used to calculate the weights
- WeightSeizure: the weights given to seizures when calculating the weights
- WeightInterictal: the weights given to non-seizure samples when calculating the weights

As such, the constructor for the MatrixDetection\_LinearRegression class has two more possible Name-Value pairs 'WeightSeizure' and 'WeightInterictal'.

## 6.3.1 CalculateWeights function

This function calculates the weights of each feature inside the feature matrix.

Before calling this function, the CalculationFunctionHandle has to be set. This can be the standard ridge regression calculation

$$\hat{w} = (X^{\top}X + \lambda I)^{-1}X^{\top}y$$

in which case the handle should be

$$dummyObject.CalculationFunctionHandle = O(X, y) (X'*X + 0.01*eye(size(X'*X)))X'*y.$$

The matrix X is a modified version of the FlagMatrix property of the FeatureMatrix class. One columns of X corresponds to one feature. This matrix contains either 0 or 1, depending on whether the individual features are above or below their respective thresholds. Please refer to the Capstone Project Final Report for more information. All samples corresponding to seizures are removed from the flag matrix. Then, a single sample per seizure is added again at the end of the matrix. For every feature, this sample is 1 if that feature detected that seizure and zero otherwise. Therefore, a vector of length equal to the number of seizures is added at the end of every columns. Note: This implementation was chosen because it worked well on some measurements, but it might not be ideal.

The y matrix then is vector containing all zeros except for the last n entries which are 1, where n is the number of seizures.

## 7 The OperatingCharacteristicCurve class

The OperatingCharacteristicCurve class holds data used to plot the operating characteristic curve of a feature. The operating characteristic plot is a plot of the sensitivity vs. the false alarm rate. See figure 3 for an example.

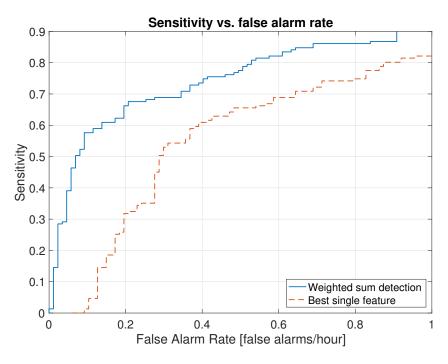


Figure 3: An exemplary operating characteristic plot.

The properties of the OperatingCharacteristicCurve class properties are:

Name:	Description:
Name	name of the object, used to identify the curve once plotted in the plot
	legend
Sensitivity	a vector that holds the sensitivity values for different thresholds
FalseAlarmRate	a vector of that holds the false alarm rates for different thresholds
ThresholdFactor	a vector that holds the thresholds (or threshold factor values) corre-
	sponding the sensitivities and false alarm rates in the above properties
Area	area under the curve

The constructor for this class is

curve = OperatingCharacteristicCurve(name, sensitivity, falseAlarmRate, threshold) where the first input argument is a char and the last three input arguments are vectors of the same size.

The characteristic curve can be plotted by calling plot(). This will create a new figure with the characteristic curve plotted in it. The function plot() returns two output arguments. The first is a handle to the newly created figure and the second one is a handle to the axis that contains the curve.

The function addCurve(h) can be called to add the curve contained in this object to an already existing plot. The input argument h is a handle to figure or to the axes containing the already existing curves.

Both the plot and addCurve function can take an additional extra input argument that specifies the name under which the curve will appear in the legend. If this is not specified, the name in the legend will be the Name property of the object. For example, the plot in figure 3 was created by

```
[h, ax] = dummyObject1.plot('Weighted sum detection');
dummyObject2.addCurve(h, 'Best single feature');
```

Finally, the function calculateArea(upperBound) calculates the area under the curve between a false alarm rate of 0 and the false alarm rate specified by input argument upperBound and returns it. The input argument can be omitted, in which case it is defaulted to 1.

## 8 Other functions

Some (but not all) of the other available functions are described in this section.

## 8.1 iEEG getData function

The IEEG\_getData function is used to download data from the iEEG.org website.

```
measurement = IEEG_getData(studyName, channel, loginName, loginBin)
```

It has 4 required input arguments and return an instance of the Measurement class that contains all relevant information about the recording (seizure start and end, sampling frequency, ...). The required input arguments are in order:

- 1. studyName is a char that must correspond to the name of the iEEG.org study that is to be downloaded
- 2. channel is a double that corresponds to the number of the channel that is to be downloaded
- 3. loginName is a char that corresponds to the User ID that is used to login to the iEEG.org website
- 4. loginBin is a path to the .bin file that holds the password that is used to login to the iEEG.org website. Please see the iEEG.org MATLAB Toolbox documentation for more details about what this is.

#### 8.2 MatrixCrossValidation function

The MatrixCrossValidation function performs k-Fold cross-validation on a MatrixDetection class.

```
[curves_training, curves_validation] = MatrixCrossValidation(...
matrix, chunkSize_minutes, numFolds)
```

It has 4 required input parameters:

- matrix: a FeatureMatrix object
- chunkSize\_minutes: the length in minutes of one chunk
- numFolds: the number of folds the data is divided into

It returns two cell arrays curves\_training and curves\_training of length numFolds.

The data is first divided into chunks of chunkSize\_minutes length. Seizures are not being divided, so some chunks might be slightly longer than that duration, since if a seizure is at the edge of one chunk, the chunk is extended so that the whole seizure is inside the chunk. The chunks are then shuffled.

The matrix seizure detection algorithm is then trained on 1-1/numFolds parts of the data and tested on the 1/numFolds remaining part. This is repeated numFolds times, changing the part of the data that is used for training and testing for every iteration. The data from the original FeatureMatrix passed as input argument is split into the training and testing part using the cut function of the FeatureMatrix class (this function is not documented in the user guide).

Two MatrixDetection objects are created, one for training and one for testing. The training consists of calculating all the optimal thresholds for all features inside the feature matrix, their weights and the optimal threshold for the MatrixDetection object. This is done only on the training data. All these thresholds and weights are then transferred to the second MatrixDetection object and the detection is then evaluated using the testing data. The operating characteristic curves of both the training and the testing MatrixDetection objects are

saved and returned at the end of the function. Currently, the detection algorithm being cross-validated is the one implemented in MatrixDetection\_Linear-Regression. Thus, the training object is actually a MatrixDetection\_LinearRegression object. To change the algorithm being cross-validated, the relevant section has to be changed inside the function. The testing object is always a MatrixDetection object because no weights are computed for the testing object, they are just copied over from the training object.

# A Appendix

#### A.1 Feature Calculation Formulas

The different feature are calculated based on the formulas described below. The sliding window has a length of N samples and x[n] represents the nth sample of every window.

• Line Length

$$\sum_{i=2}^{N} \left| x[i] - x[i-1] \right|$$

• Nonlinear Energy

$$\frac{1}{N-2} \sum_{i=2}^{N-1} x[i]^2 - x[i-1]x[i+1]$$

• Full Spectrum Power

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x[i]^2$$

- Spectral band power in the theta band: same as full spectrum power but the data is first filtered using a Butterworth bandpass filter with cutoff frequencies 4 Hz and 8 Hz
- Spectral band power in the alpha band: same as full spectrum power, the data was first filtered using a Butterworth bandpass filter with cutoff frequencies 8 Hz and 14 Hz
- Spectral band power in the beta band: same as full spectrum power, the data was first filtered using a Butterworth bandpass filter with cutoff frequencies 14 Hz and 32 Hz

#### A.2 Metrics definition

The sensitivity is defined as

sensitivity = 
$$\frac{\text{number of seizures detected}}{\text{total number of seizures}}$$
.

The specificity is defined as

$$specificity = \frac{number\ of\ interictal\ feature\ samples\ below\ threshold}{total\ number\ of\ interictal\ feature\ samples}$$

where an interictal feature sample is a feature sample that does not correspond to a seizure.