

Introduction

RBDConverter is a software package that converts Polysomnography data from the format adopted by the Canadian working group to the format suitable for use with RBDtector (see [pubmed article](#) on RBDtector and its github [repository](#)).

Input comes as two files: raw time series in EDF format and XML file with metadata. Data processing is configurable via config.ini file, so RBDConverter can be used in a wide variety of scenarios.

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Input

1) EDF file

Arbitrary-named EDF file with muscular activity. Muscles are labeled with the following labels:

EMG EMG1
EMG TAGI
EMG TAD
EMG FSDG
EMG FSDD

2) Sleep profile

XML file named "sleep_profile.xml" that contains the following information:

EpochLength – sleep stage sampling period, in seconds.

ScoredEvents – a list of events with following properties:

- Name – event name, one of the following:
 - "Annotation" – artifacts (arousals, etc.)
 - "Position du corps" – **body movements?**
 - "DetecteMJ_TAG" – periodic limb movements (left leg)

"DetecteMJ_TAD" – periodic limb movements (right leg)
"TCSP_Phasique" – phasic mentalis EMG activity
"TCSP_Tonique" – tonic mentalis EMG activity (whole epoch)
"ÉVÉNEMENTS RESPIRATOIRES" – respiratory artefacts
"Biocalibration" – some kind of calibration, irrelevant for our application

- Start – event start time, in seconds, relative to EDB start time
- Duration – duration of the event, in seconds

SleepStages – a list of sleep stage codes, sampled every EpochLength seconds. SleepStage code is an one-digit integer number:

0 – Awake (Wake)
1 – NREM 1 (N1)
2 – NREM 2 (N2)
3 – SWS
5 – REM
9 – Artefact (A)

Sleep profile example:

```
<CMPStudyConfig>
  <EpochLength>30</EpochLength>
  <ScoredEvents>
    <ScoredEvent>
      <Name>DetecteMJ_TAD</Name>
      <Start>851.587891</Start>
      <Duration>8.480469</Duration>
      <Input>EMG TAD</Input>
      <EventName>MJ</EventName>
      <ChannelName>TAD</ChannelName>
    </ScoredEvent>
    <ScoredEvent>
      <Name>ÉVÉNEMENTS RESPIRATOIRES</Name>
      <Start>5757.169922</Start>
      <Duration>12.478516</Duration>
      <Input>CANULE</Input>
      <EventName>HYPOPNÉE</EventName>
    </ScoredEvent>
  </ScoredEvents>
  <SleepStages>
    <SleepStage>9</SleepStage>
    <SleepStage>9</SleepStage>
    <SleepStage>0</SleepStage>
    <SleepStage>0</SleepStage>
    <SleepStage>0</SleepStage>
    <SleepStage>1</SleepStage>
    <SleepStage>2</SleepStage>
    <SleepStage>2</SleepStage>
  </SleepStages>
</CMPStudyConfig>
```

Output

1) Converted EDF file

Copy of input EDF file with names of the channels mapped as follows:

```
"EMG1" ⇒ "EMG"  
"TAG"  ⇒ "PLM 1"  
"TAD"  ⇒ "PLM r"  
"FSDG" ⇒ "Akti."  
"FSDD" ⇒ "AUX"
```

I decided to make this mapping configurable, so my converter will be more flexible and future-proof, see Configuration chapter.

We might also need to introduce some filtering of signal data as well – **clarification needed**.

2) Sleep profile

TXT file named “Sleep profile.txt” with mappings between time points and sleep stages/wake activity. Example:

```
Signal ID: SchlafProfil\profil  
Start Time: 02.08.2020 21:44:30  
Unit:  
Signal Type: Discret  
Events list: N4,N3,N2,N1,REM,Wake,Movement  
Rate: 30 s  
  
02:04:00,000; A  
02:04:30,000; Wake  
02:05:00,000; Wake  
02:05:30,000; Wake  
02:06:00,000; Wake  
02:06:30,000; Wake  
02:07:00,000; Wake  
02:07:30,000; N1  
02:08:00,000; N1  
02:08:30,000; N2  
02:09:00,000; N2  
02:09:30,000; N2
```

Sleep stage codes:

- REM – rapid eye movements stage
- N1, N2, N3, N4 – other sleep stages
- A – artifacts
- Wake – patient is awake

3) Flow events

TXT file named “Flow Events.txt” with mappings between time intervals and breathing disorders, like hypopnea.

```
Signal ID: FlowD\flow
Start Time: 02.08.2020 21:44:53
Unit: s
Signal Type: Impuls

21:46:22,937-21:46:31,938; 9;Obstructive Apnea
21:48:39,937-21:48:54,688; 15;Obstructive Apnea
23:03:26,246-23:04:01,246; 35;Hypopnea
23:06:18,938-23:06:40,312; 21;Obstructive Apnea
23:10:03,246-23:10:20,246; 17;Hypopnea
23:41:25,938-23:41:36,937; 11;Obstructive Apnea
23:43:24,937-23:43:50,562; 26;Obstructive Apnea
23:47:40,938-23:47:51,688; 11;Obstructive Apnea
00:40:31,674-00:40:49,249; 18;Hypopnea
00:43:37,938-00:43:58,938; 21;Obstructive Apnea
00:48:13,660-00:48:33,268; 20;Hypopnea
```

Line format: [startTime]-[endTime]; [duration];[event]

Where:

duration – interval duration rounded to whole seconds.

event – one of the following:

- "Hypopnea"
- "Obstructive Apnea"
- "Mixed Apnea"
- "Body event"

4) Classification Arousals

TXT file named “Classification Arousals.txt”. Currently I just generate an empty file (with appropriate header, of course).

Configuration

Behavior of RBDconverter is completely controlled by the configuration provided in the “config.ini” file:

```
# Controls how channels in EDF file are renamed, e.g. EMG1 => EMG
[edf_channel_map]
EMG1 = EMG
TAG = PLM l
TAD = PLM r
FSDG = Akti.
FSDD = AUX
```

```
# Controls how SleepStage codes from "sleep_profile.xml" are converted to
# SleepStage codes in "Sleep profile.txt", e.g. "0" is mapped to "Wake"
[sleep_stage_map]
0 = Wake
1 = N1
2 = N2
3 = N3
4 = N4
5 = REM
6 = Movement
7 = Tech
8 = Undefined
9 = A

# Controls how ScoredEvents from "sleep_profile.xml" are converted to events
# in "Flow Events.txt", e.g. "HYPOPNEE" is mapped to "Hypopnea".
# Please note that you can use both ScoredEvent.Name and
# ScoredEvent.EventName as a mapping key.
[flow_event_map]
HYPOPNEE = Hypopnea
```