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- ecg as letters that mean same thing as original
- guaranteed to behave like the original data
- works on univariate time series
- has been used on ECGs
- uses sax representation to make the finding of discords easier
- can use MSAX just as well
- takes the correlation between ecg leads into account
- cov mat: covariance between each lead and variance on diag

This Work's Novel Contributions

- application of MSAX to ECG discord discovery
- the HOT MSAX algorithm
- the expansion of HOT SAX to multivariate time series through HOT MSAX

SAX and MSAX – Overview

SAX	MSAX
Application	
univariate time series e.g. a single ECG lead	multivariate time series e.g. multiple ECG leads
Steps	
(1) univariate z-normalization (2) PAA dimension reduction (3) SAX discretization	(1) multivariate z-normalization (2) PAA dimension reduction (3) SAX discretization

SAX and MSAX – Step (2)

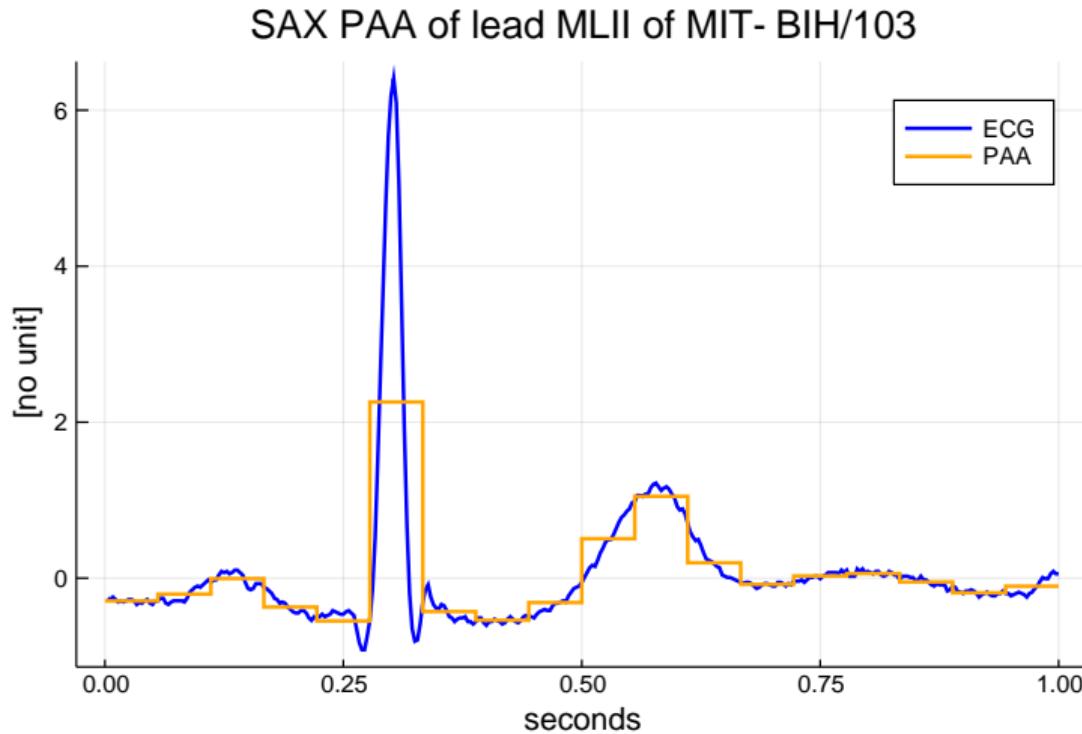


Figure 1:
ECG with
PAA (MIT-
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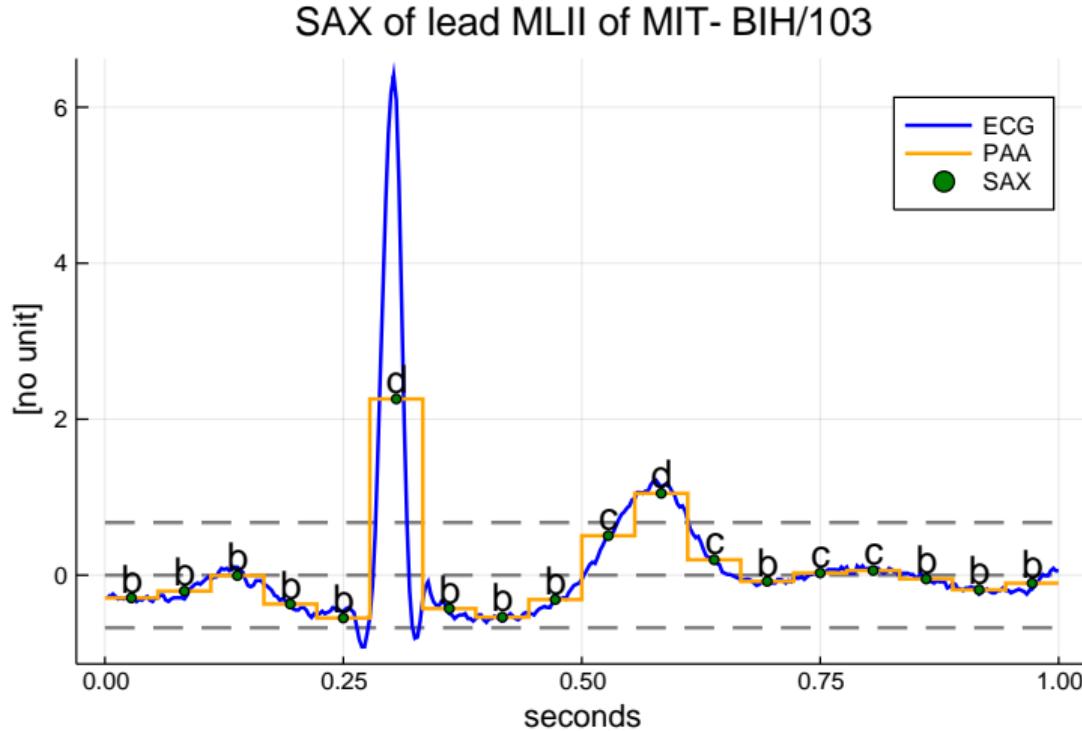


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SAX and MSAX – Distance Measure

- two SAX or MSAX segments can be compared (“distance”)
- basically the sum of distances between symbols
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HOT SAX and HOT MSAX – Overview

- HOT SAX: find discords in SAX-represented time series
- speeds up the “brute force” approach
- classifies time series segments into “discord” and “non-discord”
- HOT MSAX: uses MSAX instead of SAX
- HOT MSAX can work with multivariate time series

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- this is the basic idea that can speed up the process
- it is not guaranteed to do so, but it does not decrease efficiency
- this speeds up the process even more as we have fewer elements
- because of lower bounding, it still gives accurate results