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ABSTRACT

ElectroCardioGram (ECG) signal records electrical conduction activity of heart. These are very small signals in strength with narrow bandwidth of 0.05-120 Hz. Physicians especially cardiologist use these signals for diagnosis of the heart's condition or heart diseases. ECG signal is contaminated with various artifacts such as Power Line Interference (PLI), Patient–electrode motion artifacts, Electrode-pop or contact noise, and Baseline Wandering and ElectroMyoGraphic (EMG) noise during acquisition. Analysis of ECG signals becomes difficult to inspect the cardiac activity in the presence of such unwanted signals. So, de-noising of ECG signal is extremely important to prevent misinterpretation of patient's cardiac activity.

Various method are available for de-noising the ECG signal such as Hybrid technique, Empirical Mode Decomposition, Un-decimated Wavelet Transform, Hilbert-Hung Transform, Adaptive Filtering, FIR Filtering, Morphological Filtering, Noise Invalidation Techniques, Non-Local Means Technique and S-Transform etc. All these techniques have some limitations such as mode mixing problem, oscillation in the reconstructed signals, reduced amplitude of the ECG signal and problem of degeneracy etc.

To overcome the above mentioned limitations, a new technique is proposed for denoising of ECG signal based on Genetic Algorithm and EEMD with the help of Fuzzy Thresholding. EEMD methods are used to decompose the electrocardiogram signal into true Intrinsic Mode Functions (IMFs).Then the IMFs which are ruled by noise are automatically determined using Fuzzy Thresholding and then filtered using Genetic Particle Algorithms to remove the noise. Use of Genetic Particle Filter mitigates the sample degeneracy of Particle Filter (PF).EEMD is used in this thesis instead of EMD because it solves the EMD mode mixing problem. EEMD represents a major improvement with great versatility and robustness in noisy ECG signal filtering.

Keywords: ECG de-noising, Genetic Particle filter, Ensemble Empirical Mode Decomposition, Fuzzy Thresholding and SNR

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED:

- ECG ELECTROCARDIOGRAM
- EMD EMPIRICAL MODE DECOMPOSITION
- EEMD ENSEMBLE EMPIRICAL MODE DECOMPOSITION
- IMF INTRINSIC MODE FUNCTIONS
- PF PARTICLE FILTER
- GA GENETIC ALGORITHM
- GPF GENETIC PARTICLE FILTER
- SNR SIGNAL-TO-NOISE RATIO
- RMSE ROOT MEAN SQUARE ERROR
- EMG ELECTROMYOGRAM
- NLM NON LOCAL MEAN
- PLI POWER LINE INTERFERENCE
- HHT HILBERT-HUANG TRANSFORM
- HS HILBERT SPECTRUM
- SF SPECTRAL FLATNESS
- NADA NOISE-ASSISTED DATA ANALYSIS
- MATLAB MATRIX LABORATORY
- SPF STANDARD PARTICLE FILTER
- FT FUZZY THRESHOLDING

- GM GEOMETRIC MEAN
- AM ARITHMETIC MEAN
- DWT DISCRETE WAVELET TRANSFORM
- LMS LEAST MEAN SQUARE
- FPGA FIELD PROGRAMMABLE GATE ARRAY
- GA-PF GENETIC ALGORITHM PARTICLE FILTER
- SA SINOATRIAL
- AV ATRIOVENTRICULAR