

TENSOR-BASED BIOSIGNAL PROCESSING

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Abstract

This contribution deals with tensor decompositions and their benefits in biomedical signal processing. After a brief introduction of tensors and their differences with matrices, different decompositions are described and their computational algorithms are introduced as generalizations of matrix-based counterparts. In particular, we will focus on 'Parallel Factor Analysis' (Parafac, also known as Candecomp or the CP model), the most popular tensor decomposition, and overview its mathematical properties. The CP model decomposes in a unique way a higher-order tensor in a minimal sum of rank-1 'atoms'.

Furthermore, we will give an overview of biomedical applications, in which tensors are useful. In particular, we will focus on the presurgical evaluation of refractory partial epilepsy for the delineation of the irritative and ictal onset zones using long-term electroencephalographic (EEG) recordings. We will extract the potential distribution of the ictal activity using the higher-order CP model and show that only one atom is related to the seizure activity.

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