

Discrimination of Ventricular Fibrillation based on Chaotic Characteristics of Electrocardiogram Signals

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Abstract

Ventricular Fibrillation (VF) is a dangerous abnormality in the heart activity. During the VF, well known shape of electrocardiogram (ECG) signal changes to a pseudo-noise waveform. Recent researches have depicted that VF is not a noisy signal. The characteristics of VF and chaotic signals are the same. In this research, these characteristics were studied and used for discriminating the VF signal from the other electrocardiogram signals. Three types of electrocardiogram signals including VF, Tachycardia and Normal ECG were used for training and testing a back propagation neural network. We used these signals in three stages. At the first stage, the power spectrum of signals was used for training and testing the neural network. Time Series signals were used in the second stage. The result of the first experience was better than the second. At the third stage, we used surrogate technique to enrich the training signals in the time domain. The surrogate technique is a method which has been used in the chaotic systems. By using these new generated signals for training the neural network, the results of classification were extremely improved. Furthermore, the results of simulations showed that the chaotic dynamic of VF signal is a time dependant one.

Keywords: Chaos; Chaotic characteristic; Electrocardiogram; Ventricular fibrillation; Neural network

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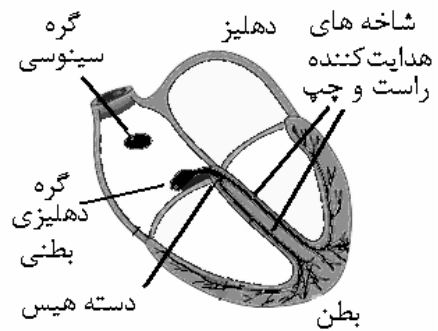
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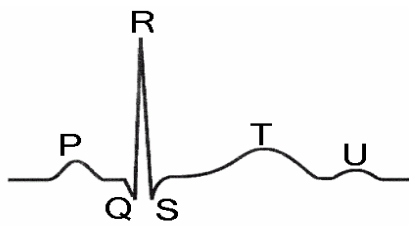
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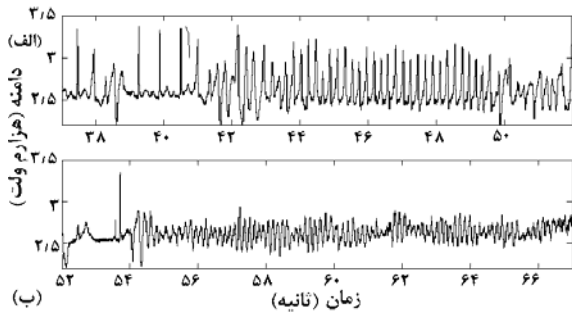
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⁶Period

³Heart Rate Variability
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⁴Coronary Artery Bypass Graft
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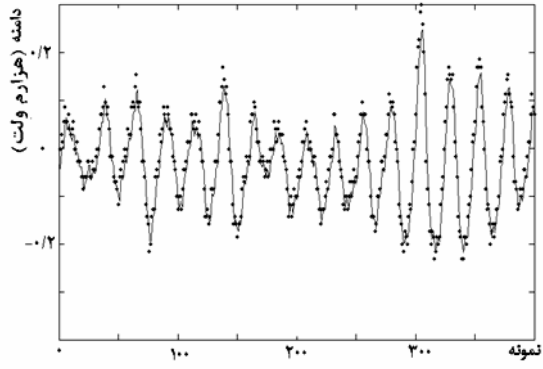
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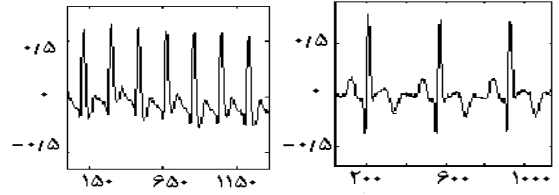
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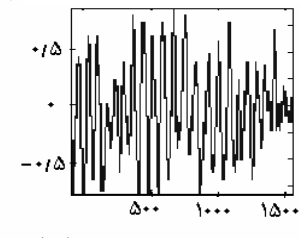
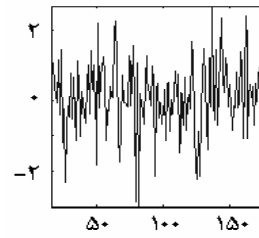
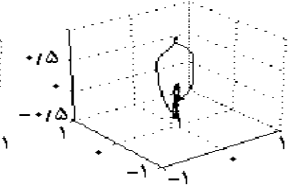
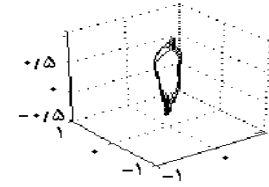
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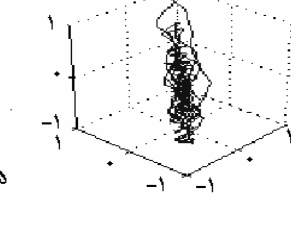
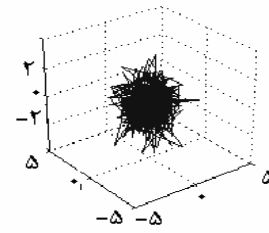
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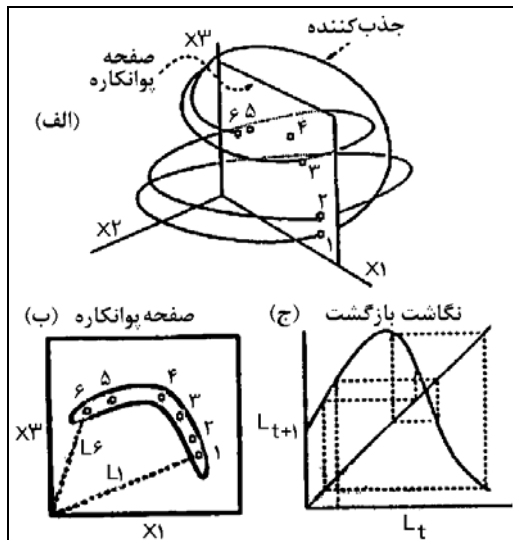
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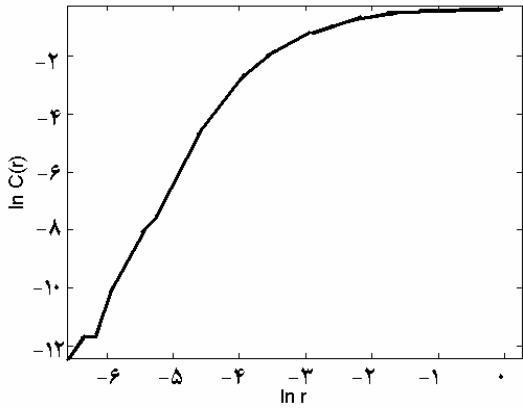
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