# Embedded Machine Learning Embedded Heart Rate Estimation Device



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## Introduction

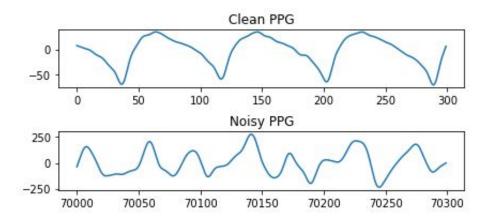


## **Problem Statement**

**Problem:** Accurate heart rate (HR) estimation using Photoplethysmography (PPG) becomes challenging with the introduction of noise, such as motion artifact (MA), limiting the environments a wearable device can be used in.

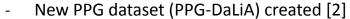
**Importance:** Being able to interpret noisy sensor data increases the accuracy and use cases of HR estimation devices

General use example: Real time HR monitoring of someone moving with a smaller constrained device

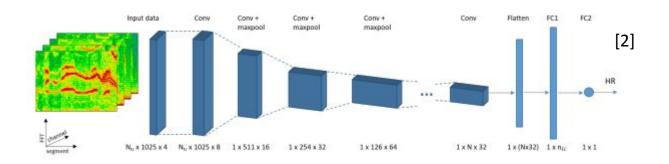


## State of the Art

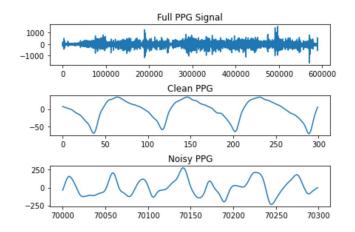
- Many commercially available HR sensors exist but struggle with noisy signals
- Many estimation techniques have been described and summarized in [1]
  - Success found with convolutional neural networks (CNN)

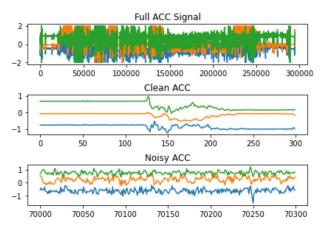


- Accurate HR estimation achieved
- Reduced CNN model for embedded application proposed









# **Dataset**

Dataset:

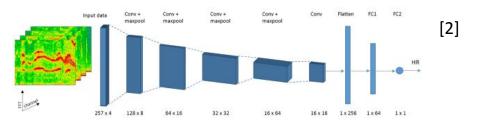
PPG-DaLiA [2]

Link:

https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/PPG-DaLiA

15 subject (~9000 seconds each)
PPG raw data (64Hz)
3 axis accelerometer (32Hz)
Ground truth HR in BPM
Stored in .pkl files
Extract S1-S15, keeping:
data['label'] (Ground truth BPM)
data['signal']['wrist']['BVP'] (PPG)
data['signal']['wrist']['ACC'][:,0,1,2] (acc x y z)

## **Proposed CNN Model**



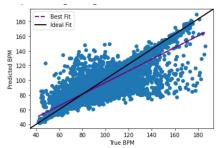
#### Preprocessing:

- Windowing 8/2 seconds
- FFT
- Z-score (0 mean, 1 standard deviation)
- Stack: (257x4)

#### Problems towards Arduino deployment:

- Complex numbers
- Large model
- Arduino compatibility with Conv1D
- Multidimensional Array

#### **CNN** replica results



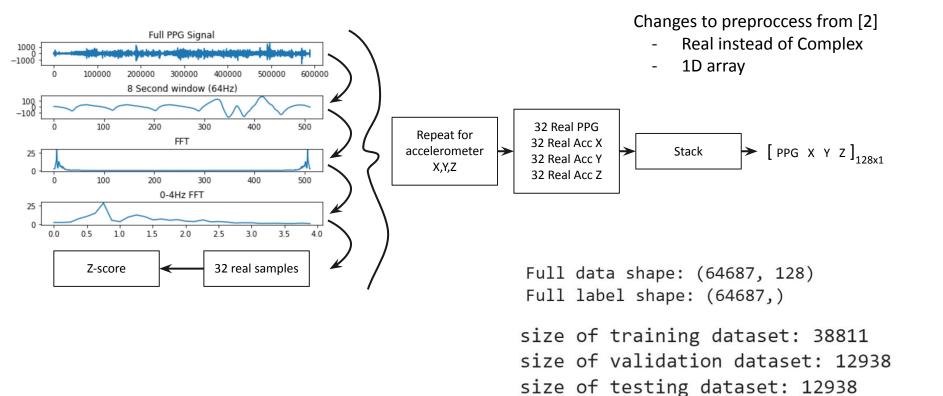
#### Results within a threshold:

Within 2 BPM: 45% Within 5 BPM: 70% Within 10 BPM: 85%

# Methods/Results



## **Preprocessing Change**



## Deep Neural Network (DNN) Model

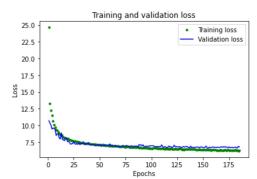
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Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
dense_4 (Dense)	(None, 64)	8256
<pre>batch_normalization_3 (Batc hNormalization)</pre>	(None, 64)	256
dropout_3 (Dropout)	(None, 64)	0
dense_5 (Dense)	(None, 64)	4160
<pre>batch_normalization_4 (Batc hNormalization)</pre>	(None, 64)	256
dropout_4 (Dropout)	(None, 64)	0
dense_6 (Dense)	(None, 64)	4160
<pre>batch_normalization_5 (Batc hNormalization)</pre>	(None, 64)	256
dropout_5 (Dropout)	(None, 64)	0
dense_7 (Dense)	(None, 32)	2080
dense_8 (Dense)	(None, 16)	528
dense_9 (Dense)	(None, 8)	136
dense_10 (Dense)	(None, 1)	9

Total params: 20,097

Trainable params: 19,713 Non-trainable params: 384

#### MAE



160 - 140 - 140 - 160 - 180 -

180

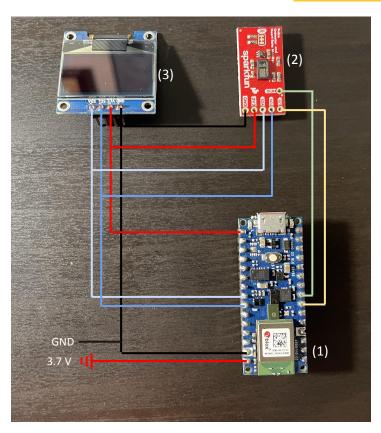
Train Validate Final MAE: 6.27 6.78 Final r<sup>2</sup>: 0.75 0.67

Epochs: 317 Batch Size: 64 Results within a threshold:

Within 2 BPM: 42% Within 5 BPM: 68%

Within 10 BPM: 81%

## **System Hardware**



#### **Arduino Nano 33 BLE Sense (1)**

#### SparkFun POHR (2)

SparkFun Pulse Oximeter and Heart Rate Sensor (POHR) - MAX30101 & MAX32664 (Qwiic)

#### **OLED Screen (3)**

UCTRONICS 0.96 Inch OLED Module 12864 128x64 Yellow Blue SSD1306 Driver I2C Serial Self-Luminous Display Board

#### 3.7 V Battery

## **Arduino Sensor Preprocessing**

#### **Raw Data**

#### **Arduino LSM9DS1 (X,Y,Z Accelerometer)**

- Main Library: Arduino\_LSM9DS1
- 104Hz

#### **SparkFun POHR - Raw PPG from IR LED**

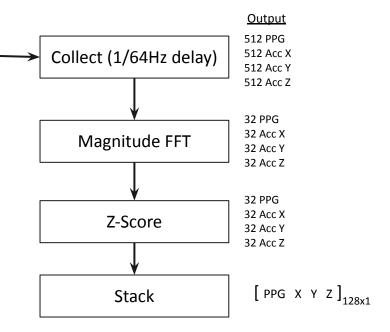
- Main Library:SparkFun\_Bio\_Sensor\_Hub\_Library
- 100 Hz
- Moving Average for Smoothing
- DC Bias removal.

$$w(t)=x(t)+0.95*w(t-1)$$

$$y(t)=w(t)-w(t-1)$$

$$x(t) = \text{raw IR signal}$$

$$y(t) = \text{bias removed signal}$$



## **Model Deployment**

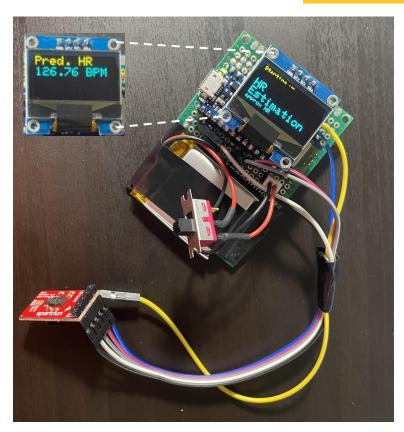
- Convert to tflite (size: 81292 bytes)
- Input model.cpp to main arduino code

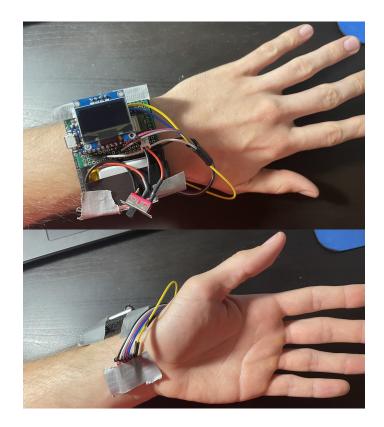
#### **Model Tensors**

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input = interpreter->input(0); Size:(128x1)
output = interpreter->output(0); Size: 1
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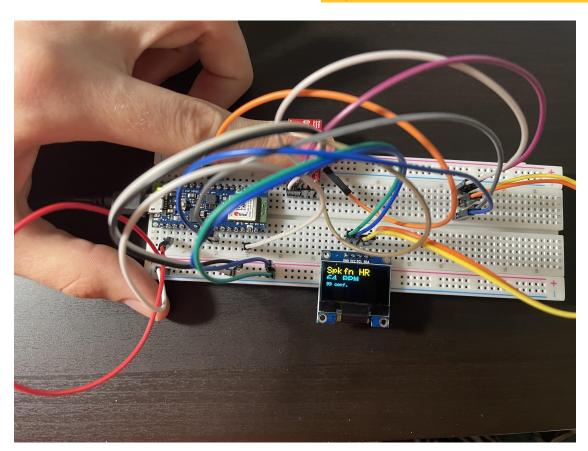
Make Predictions!

# **Wearable Design**





## **System Verification**





SparkFun POHR built in HR Monitor

Displays "confidence" in Approximated HR

## **Conclusions and Future Work**

- Fine tune the model → Get higher accuracy
  - Retry CNN (2D) and Quantization (to reduce larger model)
- Allow for the system to be used with more sensors
  - More work on Sensor preprocessing
  - Explore transfer learning
- Finalize wearable design

A working framework for a wearable HR estimation device is shown. With some future work, this framework can easily be expanded into multiple uses and projects.

### **Live Demonstration!**

Questions?



# **References**

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