ANALYSIS AND DEVELOPMENT OF A MEAL DETECTION ALGORITHM FOR THE ARTIFICIAL PANCREAS

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Type 1 Diabetes

Cause and Effects of Type 1

- Autoimmune destruction of pancreatic beta cells
- No control of blood glucose
- Exogenous insulin required





- Current disease therapy
 Self monitoring
 - Multiple daily insulin injections

Future of Disease Therapy: Artificial Pancreas



Effect of a Meal on Glucose



Project Goals

Implementing basic meal detection algorithm

- Establish metrics that represent desired qualities
 - Alarms faster than current controller response
 - Very few false alarms
 - True positive alarms



Algorithm and System Alarming



Slope predicted at each point
 Algorithm Parameters

 Subsequent Alarms Required (SAR)

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Threshold

Max and min slope

Hypotheses

- **Hypothesis 1**: with SAR 1, the reaction time for detecting a meal will be the fastest, however there will be more false positive alarms
- **Hypothesis 2**: by using SAR 3, we anticipate a longer reaction time with a greater number of false negative alarms, but less false positive alarms present

Determining the Best Parameter Settings: SAR



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Results: The Better Detector

Number of Alarms Required	I	2	3
True Positive Ratio	21/24	21/24	19/24
# of False Positives	1/24	1/24	I/24
Average Time Difference from Alarm to Insulin Delivery	-11 ± 1 min	-6 ±17 min	3 ± 14 min

Conclusions & Future Work

- Hypothesis 1 unconfirmed: SAR 1 should have had more false positive alarms
- Hypothesis 2 confirmed: SAR 3 had more false negative alarms
- Future Work: Using the basic algorithm as a benchmark for an advanced system

Acknowledgements



Questions?