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#### **Summary:**

Mental disorders, especially schizophrenia, are still challenging to diagnose. Nowadays, computer-aided diagnosis techniques have been developed to tackle this challenge. Data denoising and preprocessing were first applied, followed by the feature extraction. The extracted features were then reduced using the Principal Component Analysis (PCA), and the best discriminative features were selected using different feature selection algorithms such as the Fisher score and t-test. A Support Vector Machine (SVM) classifier was trained and tested on the COBRE dataset which contains 70 schizophrenic and 70 healthy subjects. The highest average accuracy of 98.57\% has been achieved.



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