



## POLARITY INVARIANT TRANSFORMATION FOR EEG MICROSTATES ANALYSIS

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#### Agenda

- Introduction on EEG Microstates (EEG-ms)
- Elaboration on Extracting EEG-ms
- Polarity Invariant Transformation for EEG-ms
- Results
- Conclusion







#### What is EEG?

#### Electroencephalogram (EEG)



https://hvmn.com/biohacker-guide/cognition/eeg-measures-of-cognition





#### EEG Microstates (EEG-ms)

- Brain goes into many local functional states can be said to be in one particular global functional state at each moment in time
- Brain experiences quasi-stability states that are followed by rapid changes over-time
- Brain states, if measured as EEG, are electric potential landscapes
- Electric potential landscapes generated by different distributions of neural electric activity in the brain, it is reasonable to assume that different microstates embody different functions of the brain



D Lehmann et al, Scholarpedia 4, 7632 (2011)





#### EEG-ms Analysis vs. Traditional EEG analysis

- Traditional Analysis:
  - EEG amplitude, power and phase modulation of EEG waveforms are local measures that vary with references
  - EEG amplitude and power vary at each time point, while phase varies at each electrode

- EEG-ms:
  - EEG-ms are reference-free global measurements
  - Stable for relatively long time (60-120 ms)
  - Reduces the complexity of EEG by looking number of topographies
  - Multichannel and broadband measure





#### Canonical EEG-ms

- EEG-microstates in resting state
- Koenig et al.2002\* identified four microstate classes in the spontaneous EEG from 496 healthy subjects (6 to 80 year-olds)
- The mean duration of the microstates is 80-100 ms and varies with age
- Head seen from above, nose up; red positive, blue negative potential areas





T Koenig et al, Neuroimage 16, 41 (2002)





#### Mathematical Assumptions of EEG-ms

$$X_t = \sum_{i=1}^{K} a_{it} T_i + \epsilon_t$$

- $X_t$ : EEG signal at time point t ( $C \times 1$ ), with C is the number of channels
- *K*: the number of microstate
- $a_{it}$  : intensity applied at each time point
- $T_i$ : microstate ( $C \times 1$ ), with C is the number of channels.
- $\epsilon_t$ : error term for time point t

To allow for non-overlapping microstates at each time point t, all  $a_{it}$  must be zero except for one.

$$\begin{cases} a_{lt}a_{mt} = 0 \ \forall l \neq m \\ \sum_{i=1}^{K} a_{it}^{2} > 0, \forall t \end{cases}$$





#### Polarity Invariant Property of EEG-ms







#### Extracting EEG-ms algorithm :

Step1: Set K, X

Step 2: Initialize K random MSs

 $T_i$  with i = 1..K

Step 3:Normalizing EEG MSs such that:

 $||T_i|| = 1$  and  $(T'_i T_i)^2 < 1$  for  $i \neq j$ 

Step 4: Assign labels

 $L_{M \times 1} = argmax\{(X'T)^2\}$ 

Step 5: Update MSs Templates

**Step 5**: Update MSs Templates For i=1..K a.  $S_i = X_i X'_i$  with  $X_i$  EEG points that belongs to MS *i* b.  $T_i = argmax_{X_t} \{X'_t S_i X_t\}$ Step 6: Calculate the explained variance  $\sigma_D^2 = (\sum_{i=1}^{M} (X'_i X_i)^2) / (K(M-1))$  $\sigma_u^2 = \sigma_D^2 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{m} (T_i' X_i)^2\right) / (K(M-1))$  $R^{2} = 1 - \sigma_{u}^{2} / \sigma_{D}^{2}$ **Step 7**: Repeat step 4 through step 7 until  $R^2$  is large enough



#### Motivation

- 1. EEG-ms is a polarity invariant analysis, and thus it requires special handling for identifying the microstates
- 2. Thus, transforming the EEG time points into a new space will alleviate the challenges of handling the polarity of EEG
- 3. Also, it allows using general clustering algorithms to identify microstate templates
- 4. All results are compared to two commonly used algorithms modifiedk-mean and AAHC\*



#### **Suggested Solution**

- 1. The transformation of EEG signals is achieved by mean of kernel concept
- 2. While there are many types of kernels, to best of our knowledge, the literature does not provide a kernel with polarity invariant property
- 3. Thus, we provide here our derivation for the proposed kernel. The kernel is deployed using Kernel-PCA (KPCA) paradigm\*
- 4. With kernel transformation, the data are transformed using non-linear and polarity invariant kernel into a new space such that EEG points that represent similar EEG microstates will become closer to each other, while points that belong to different EEG microstates will spread out

## Methods: Polarity Invariant Transformation



#### Polarity Invariant Kernel PCA

• EEG signals X with n time points such that  $X = \{x_i\}$  with i = 1, ..., n and  $x_i$  is an p dimensional vector corresponding to the number of channels in EEG.

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Phi(x_{i}) = 0 \quad (\mathbf{Eq. 3.1})$$

$$C = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Phi(x_{i}) \Phi(x_{i})^{T} \quad (\mathbf{Eq. 3.2})$$

$$Cv_{k} = \lambda_{k}v_{k} \quad (\mathbf{Eq. 3.3})$$

$$Cv_{k} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Phi(x_{i}) \Phi(x_{i})^{T}v_{k} = \lambda_{k}v_{k} \quad (\mathbf{Eq. 3.4})$$

$$v_{k} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} \Phi(x_{i}) \quad (\mathbf{Eq. 3.5})$$

$$Cv_{k} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Phi(x_{i}) \Phi(x_{i})^{T} \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{i} \Phi(x_{j}) = \lambda_{k} \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} \Phi(x_{i}) \quad (\mathbf{Eq. 3.6})$$

## Methods: Polarity Invariant Transformation



#### Polarity Invariant Kernel PCA, cont'd,

$$\mathcal{K}(x_i, x_j) = \Phi(x_i) \Phi(x_j)^T \qquad (Eq. 3.7)$$

$$\frac{1}{N}\mathcal{K}(x_i, x_j)\sum_{j=1}^n a_i \mathcal{K}(x_i, x_j) = \lambda_k \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mathcal{K}(x_i, x_j) \quad (\mathbf{Eq. 3.8})$$

$$K^{2} \alpha = \lambda_{k} NK\alpha \quad (Eq. \ 3.9)$$
  
$$y_{k}(x) = \Phi(x)^{T} v_{k} = \sum_{i=1}^{K} a_{i} \mathcal{K}(x, x_{j}) \quad (Eq. \ 3.10)$$
  
$$\widetilde{K} = K - 1_{n}K - K1_{n}^{i=1} + 1_{n}K1_{n} \quad (Eq. \ 3.11)$$

## Methods: Polarity Invariant Transformation

#### A kernel with polarity invariant derivation

$$\mathcal{K}(x, y) = \mathcal{K}(x, -y) \qquad (\mathbf{Eq. 3.12})$$

 $\mathcal{K}(x, y) = \exp(-\gamma d(x, y))$ 

We rely on using a gaussian kernel with Euclidean distance.

But we need a distance function such that:

d(x, y) = d(x, -y) (Eq. 3.13)

One suggestion is :

 $D(x, y) = \min[d(x, y), d(x, -y)]$ (Eq. 3.14)  $D(x, y) = \min[||x - y||^2, ||x + y||^2]$ (Eq. 3.15)  $= \min[-2x1y1 - 2x2y2 - \dots - 2xpyp,$ 

X	=	:
		_xp_

[x1]





## **Results: Polarity Invariant Transformation**



#### Demo for the transformation in 3D



## **Results: Polarity Invariant Transformation**



#### 0.85 Results 0.80 Explained Variance 0.75 Algorithm **Explained Variance** 0.70 modified-k-means Comparison from 10 healthy HAAC 0.65 PI-KPCA resting-state EEG (8 min) 0.60 0.55 3 5 7 8 6 4 Clusters PI-KPCA AAHC **Topography Comparison** Modified-K-means Microstate 1 Microstate 2 Microstate 3 Microstate 4

# **Results: Polarity Invariant Transformation**



#### <u>Results</u>

The effect of the number of PCs



Execu	ution	time

Algorithm	Execution time per subject	
	(sec)	
Modified-K-means	7	
AAHC	23.3	
PI-KPCA	3.3	





#### Conclusion

- We have introduced a new transformation to identify the EEG Microstates by applying a nonlinear transformation with polarity invariant property
- The transformation relies on KPCA with a particular
- We have also demonstrated in our demo example how the transformation works using a synthetic data in 3D dimension
- Our testing has shown that the proposed that transformation work very well and can improve upon the most common EEG Microstates algorithms namely, modified-k-means and HAAC
- It can be shown that from the figure that PI-KPCA based algorithm always outperform other algorithms
- The topographies of the extracted microstates from AAHC and modified-kmeans are highly similar and indicates that the identified microstates are similar to each other





# Questions ?



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## Global Field Power (GFP) Extraction Steps:

- 1. Average Reference data
- 2. Calculate GFP:

GPF = 
$$\sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i(t) - \bar{x}(t))^2}{n}}$$

- With  $x_i(t)$  is electrode voltage value at time point t and  $\bar{x}(t)$  is mean of electrodes voltages at that time point
- 3. Peak detection
  - We select randomly n Maps (for later we call it K)
- 4. Store electrodes information at each peak
  - We call it *X* such that  $X = C \times M$

**Repeat this for individual subjects** 







#### **GPF Peak Detection**







#### Data organizing for the algorithm



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#### Algorithm 1:

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**Step 3**:Normalizing EEG MSs such that:

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 $X = C \times M$  $T = C \times K$ 













#### **Output of the previous steps:**

