EEG and MEG Connectivity: Basic rinciples, state-of-the-art methods, and emerging vistas

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The human brain imaging community is increasingly adopting connectivistic views for many more psychobiological processes. Electroencephalographic complex (EEG) and Magnetoencephalographic (MEG) signals directly result from temporally coherent neural activity, and naturally distinguish processes organized in time and frequency. However, the physics of these signals can entail possible fallacies in the connectivity analysis, which must be avoided. This full-day educational course will give a comprehensive overview on the current state-of-the-art of analysis of EEG- and MEG-based connectivity. After introducing the physical background of EEG and MEG signals and the currently available models for source imaging and signal decomposition, we will present the established methods and emerging views to come to integral and multiscale accounts of brain functional connectivity within and across measurement modalities, such as cross-frequency interactions and scale-free dynamics. Particular care will be taken to make the audience aware of their possibilities to employ robust and state-of-the-art connectivity methods for basic and clinical applications.

Course Schedule:

8:00-8:20

Introduction

Thomas Koenig, Department of Psychiatric Neurophysiology University Hospital of Psychiatry, Bern, Switzerland

8:20-8:50

Temporal dynamics of EEG microstates

Christoph Michel, Neuroscience Department of the Medical Faculty and Center for Biomedical Imaging, University of Geneva, Geneva, Switzerland

8:50-9:20

Electrophysiological Source Imaging – Solving the Inverse Problem

Bin He, Institute for Engineering in Medicine, Department of Biomedical Engineering, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, United States

8:20-9:50

Noninvasive modeling of brain dynamic connectivity

Scott Makeig, Swartz Center for Computational Neuroscience Institute for Neural Computation University of California, San Diego, United States

9:50-10:20

Brain connectivity inference through multivariate time series: advances, pitfalls and applications

Laura Astolfi, Department of Computer, Control, and Management Engineering Rome, Italy

10:20-10:40

Break

10:40-11:10

Which tool should I use for connectivity in neuroelectrical imaging?

Daniele Marinazzo, University of Ghent, Ghent, Belgium

11:10-11:40

Fact and Fallacy EEG Source Connectivity

Pedro Valdes-Sosa, Joint Cuba/China Laboratory for Neurotechnology Cuban Neuroscience Center/University of Electronic, Chengdu, China

11:40-12:00

Question and Answer

12:00-13:00 Lunch

13:00-13:30 Connectivity in epilepsy: characterization of pathological networks on MEG and intracerebral EEG Christian Benar, INSERM UMR1106, Marseille, France

13:30-14:00

Connectivity in ERP analyses

Daniel Brandeis, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Central Institute of Mental Health, University of Heidelberg, Mannheim, Germany

14:00-14:30

Large-scale network synchronization in ongoing brain activity: relation between non-invasive electrophysiological and hemodynamic data

Laura Marzetti, University of Chieti-Pescara, Chieti, Italy

14:30-14:50 Break

14:50-15:20

Understanding the prevalent arrhythmic brain activity and its implications for connectivity analyses

Biyu He, New York University Langone Medical Center, New York, NY, United States

15:20-15:50

Estimation of large-scale network synchronization and cross-frequency interactions from electrophysiological data *Satu Palva, Neuroscience Center, University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland*

15:50-16:20

Mechanisms & dynamical structure of brain rhythms: from rest to perception Sylvain Baillet, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada

16:20-16:30 Question and Answer