

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS OF HIGH DIMENSIONAL TIME SERIES

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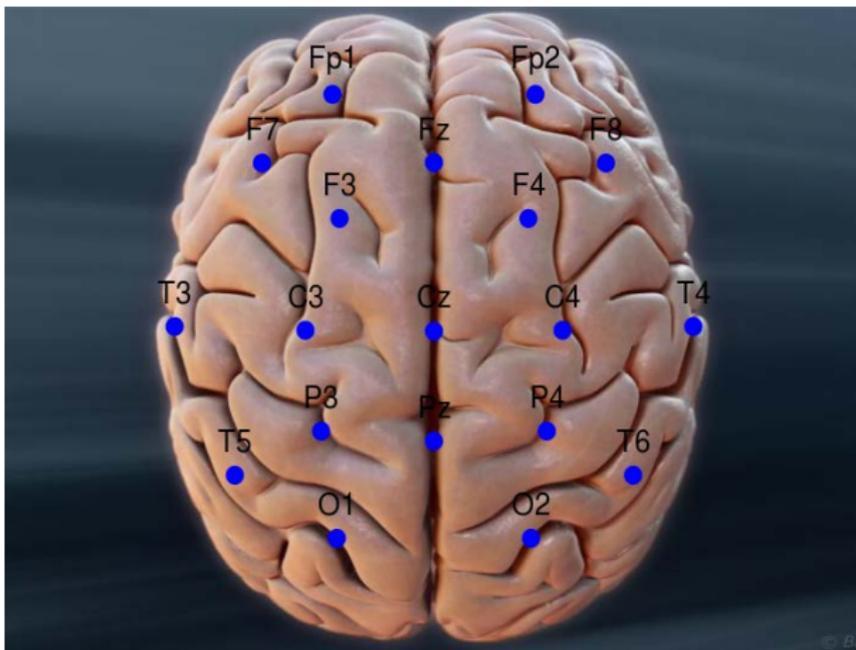
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# SCIENTIFIC MOTIVATION

## Electrophysiological Signals

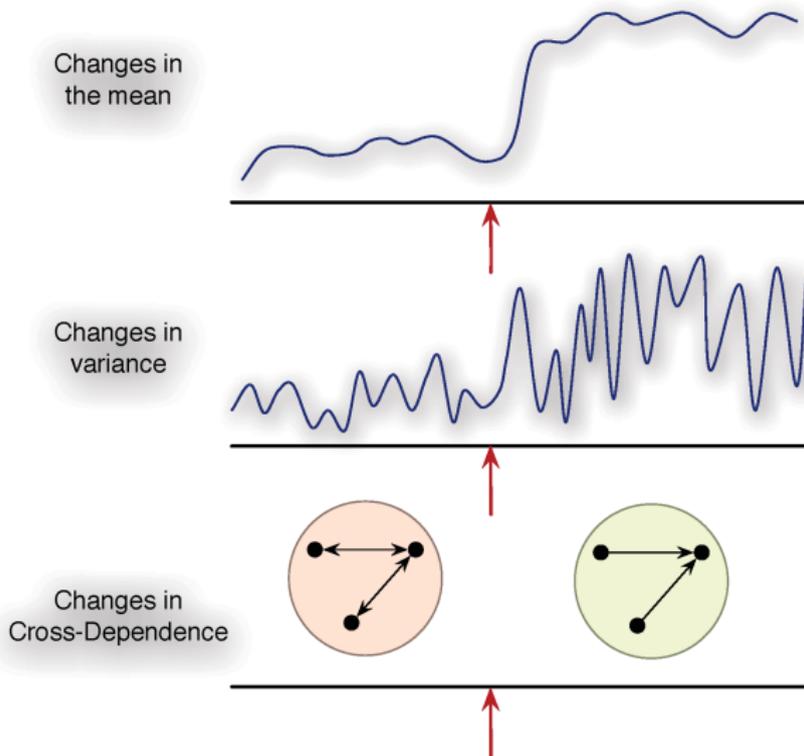
- Indirect recordings: Electroencephalograms (EEGs) are recordings on the scalp that capture coordinated activity of cortical neurons
- Direct recordings: Local field potentials (LFPs) are direct recordings from a localized population of neurons
- These recordings consist of waveforms oscillating at different frequency bands

# SCIENTIFIC MOTIVATION



# FROM STIMULUS TO NEURONS TO BEHAVIOR

## THE BIG PICTURE

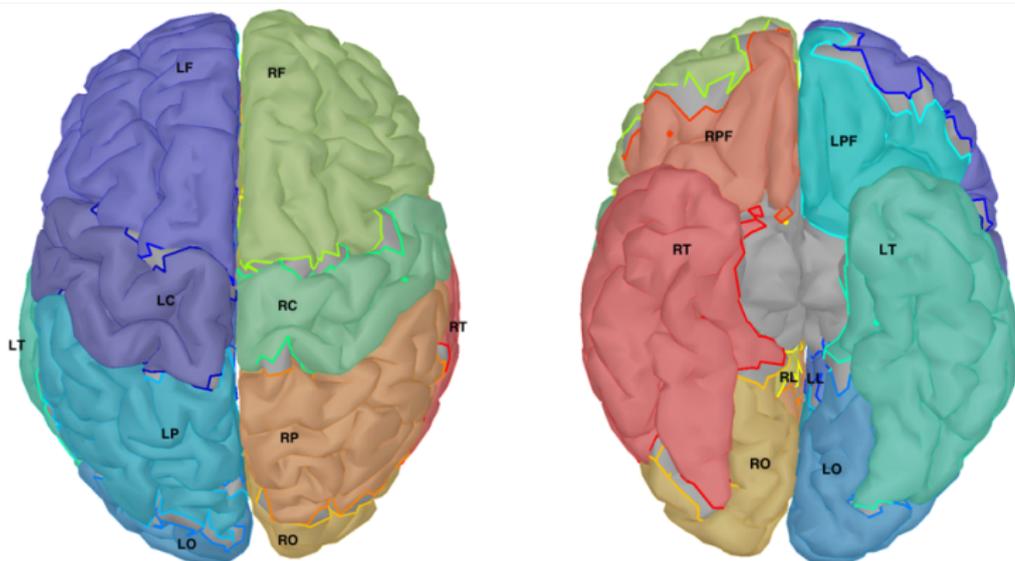


# SCIENTIFIC QUESTIONS ON CONNECTIVITY

- Brain regions do not act in isolation. Rather brain regions act in a cooperative manner during a cognitive task.
- Does activity in one brain region excite or inhibit another?
- Are there experimental conditions or cognitive processes that require less or greater connectivity?
- Does connectivity evolve across time; vary across subjects?
- Important considerations
  - Scalability of statistical models
  - Interpretability of statistical output
  - Visualization!

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## BRAIN PARCELLATION



# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## FACTOR MODEL WITHIN A REGION

### Why multi-scale?

- Local: connectivity within a region
  - High correlation between voxels/channels in a region
  - Suggests a lower-dimensional representation of activity in each region
- Global: connectivity between regions in a network

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## FACTOR MODEL WITHIN A REGION

- Here, a "region" ( $r = 1, 2, \dots, R$ ) is either
  - An actual region on the cortex with anatomically defined boundaries
  - A set of channels that project directly from a cortical patch
- Activity at region  $r$ 
  - $\mathbf{Z}_r(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_r}$
  - Channels or voxels within region  $r$  are typically highly correlated
  - $\text{Dim}[\mathbf{Z}_r(t)] = n_r$  (number of channels/voxels)
- Factors driving activity at region  $r$ 
  - $\mathbf{f}_r(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{m_r}$
  - $\text{Dim}[\mathbf{f}_r(t)] = m_r$
- Dimension reduction:  $m_r < n_r$

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## FACTOR MODEL WITHIN A REGION

Activity in a region  $r$ , denoted  $\mathbf{Z}_r(t)$ , is either

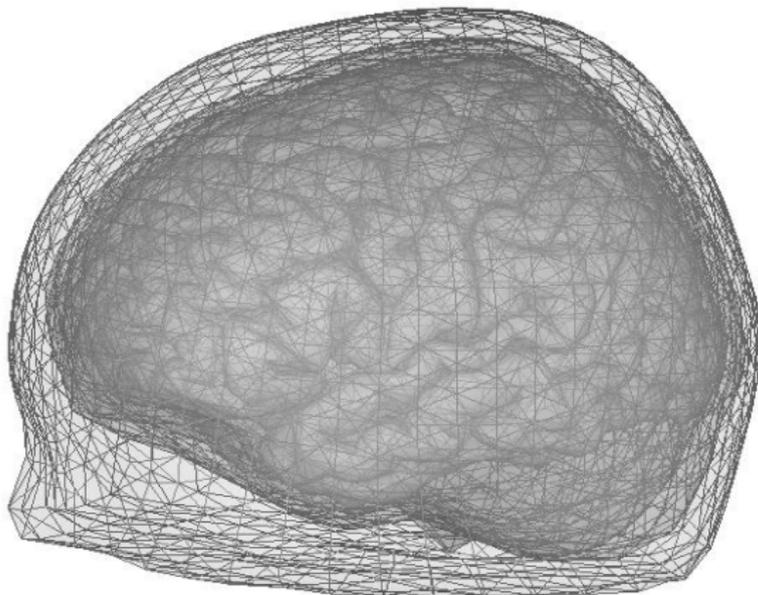
- Directly observed: EEG from different channels – (today's example)
- Estimated via source localization methods [Wang, Ting and Ombao (2016)]
  - standardized Low Resolution Brain Electromagnetic Tomography (sLORETA) by Pascual et al (2002)
  - Given: lead field matrix  $\mathbb{A}$ , EEG  $\mathbf{X}$  and penalty parameter  $\alpha$
  - $\mathbf{Z}(t)$  minimizes the penalized criterion

$$F = \sum_{t=1}^T (\|\mathbf{X}(t) - \mathbb{A}\mathbf{S}(t) - \mathbf{c}\mathbf{1}\|^2 + \alpha\|\mathbf{S}(t)\|^2)$$

- $\mathbf{Z}(t) = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{X}(t)$ , where
  - $\mathbf{G} = \mathbb{A}'\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{H}\mathbb{A}\mathbb{A}'\mathbf{H} + \alpha\mathbf{H})^{-1}$
  - $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}'/\mathbf{1}'\mathbf{1}$ .

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## HEAD MODEL FOR SOURCE ESTIMATION



The BEM head model

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## FACTOR MODEL WITHIN A REGION

- Model for activity in region  $r$

$$\mathbf{Z}_r(t) \approx \mathbf{Q}_r \mathbf{f}_r(t)$$

- Loading matrix  $\mathbf{Q}_r$  - captures dependence between channels/voxels in a region
- Identifiability constraints
  - $\mathbf{Q}_r' \mathbf{Q}_r = \mathbf{I}_{m_r}$
  - $\text{Cov}(\mathbf{f}_r(t))$  is diagonal matrix with distinct elements

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## FACTOR MODEL FOR ALL REGIONS

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z}_1(t) \\ \mathbf{z}_2(t) \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{z}_R(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{Q}_2 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \mathbf{Q}_R \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_1(t) \\ \mathbf{f}_2(t) \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{f}_R(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Z}(t) = \mathbf{Qf}(t)$$

NOTE: Factor components within a region are uncorrelated; but correlated with other regions.

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## VAR MODEL FOR THE FACTORS

$$\mathbf{Z}(t) = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{f}(t)$$
$$\mathbf{f}(t) = \sum_{\ell=1}^P \Phi^f(\ell)\mathbf{f}(t-\ell) + \eta(t)$$

- $\Phi^f(\ell)$  is the VAR coefficient matrix at lag  $\ell$
- $\eta(t) \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma_\eta)$ .
- Dependence between cortical sources  $\mathbf{Z}_r(t)$  and  $\mathbf{Z}_s(t)$ 
  - Characterized by the dependence between the factors  $\mathbf{f}_r(t)$  and  $\mathbf{f}_s(t)$
  - Dimension reduction:  $(n_r \times n_r)$  vs.  $P(m_r \times m_r)$ 
    - EEG:  $n_r = 256$  vs  $m_r = 3$
    - Source estimates:  $n_r = 10K$  vs  $m_r \approx 10$

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## VAR MODEL FOR ALL REGIONS

$$\mathbf{Z}(t) = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{f}(t) = \sum_{\ell=1}^P \mathbf{Q}\Phi^f(\ell)\mathbf{f}(t-\ell) + \mathbf{Q}\eta(t)$$

$$\mathbf{Z}(t) = \sum_{\ell=1}^P \Phi^Z(\ell)\mathbf{Z}(t-\ell) + \mathbf{E}(t)$$

where

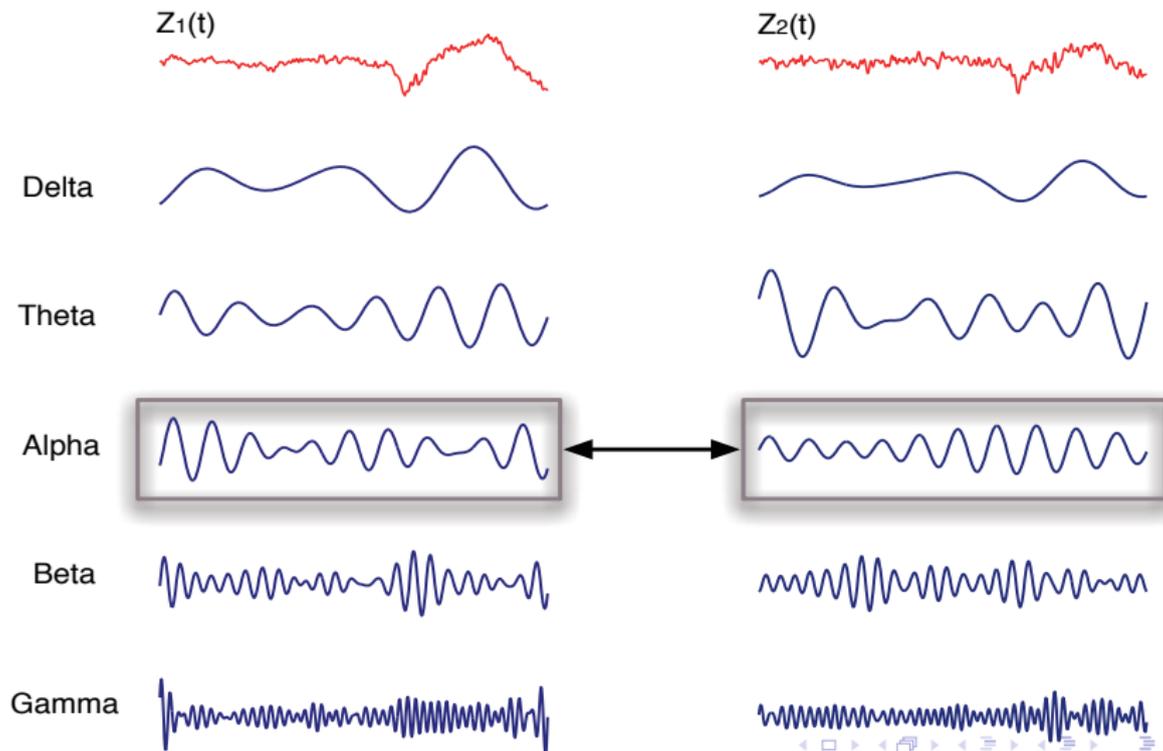
- $\Phi^Z(\ell) = \mathbf{Q}\Phi^f(\ell)\mathbf{Q}'$
- $\mathbf{E}(t) = \mathbf{Q}\eta(t)$

Dimension in reduction

- $\text{Dim}[\mathbf{Z}(t)] = n$ ;  $\text{Dim}[\mathbf{f}(t)] = m$   $m \ll n$
- $\text{Dim}[\Phi^Z(\ell)] = n^2$ ;  $\text{Dim}[\Phi^f(\ell)] = m^2$  for each lag  $\ell$
- $P \times (m^2) \times R \ll P \times (n^2)$

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## SPECTRAL MEASURES OF CONNECTIVITY



# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## SPECTRAL MEASURES OF CONNECTIVITY

Between a pair of channels or voxels  $v_1$  and  $v_2$

- Undirected coherence
- Undirected partial coherence
- Partial directed coherence (PDC)

Between a pair of regions  $r$  and  $r'$

- Summized connectivity between all pairs of channels/voxels  $(v_1, v_2)$  where  $v_1$  is in region  $r$  and  $v_2$  is in region  $r'$

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## MEASURES OF CONNECTIVITY

Partial Directed Coherence between channels/voxels  $v_1$  and  $v_2$

- Recall  $\Phi_\ell^Z$  is the VAR coefficient matrix at lag  $\ell$ ;
- Define  $\Phi^Z(\omega) = \mathbf{I} - \sum_{\ell=1}^P \Phi_\ell^Z \exp(-i2\pi\omega\ell/\Omega_s)$ 
  - Fourier transform of  $\Phi^Z$  at frequency  $\omega$ , where  $\Omega_s$  is the sampling frequency.

Partial directed coherence (PDC) between voxels  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  is

$$\pi_{12}^2(\omega) = \frac{|\Phi_{12}^Z(\omega)|^2}{\sum_{k=1}^N \Phi_{k2}^Z(\omega)(\Phi_{k2}^Z(\omega))^*}$$

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## MEASURES OF CONNECTIVITY

### Partial Directed Coherence between Remarks.

- $\pi_{12}^2(\omega)$  provides a measure of the linear influence of  $Z_2$  on  $Z_1$  at frequency  $\omega$
- Interpretation: direct impact of a change in the amplitude of  $\omega$ -oscillatory activity in voxel  $v_2$  on the amplitude of the  $\omega$ -oscillation on  $v_1$

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## MEASURES OF CONNECTIVITY

Undirected Coherence between channels/voxels  $v_1$  and  $v_2$

- Cross-spectral matrix of the global factor  $\mathbf{f}(t)$  at frequency  $\omega$

$$S^f(\omega) = H^f(\omega)\Sigma_\eta(H^f(\omega))^* \quad \text{where}$$

- $H^f(\omega) = (\Phi^f(\omega))^{-1}$
- $\Phi^f(\omega) = \mathbf{I} - \sum_{\ell=1}^P \Phi^f(\ell) \exp(-i2\pi\omega\ell/\Omega_s)$ .
- Cross-spectral matrix of  $\mathbf{Z}(t)$  at frequency  $\omega$

$$S^Z(\omega) = \mathbf{Q}S^f(\omega)\mathbf{Q}'$$

- (Undirected) coherence between channel/voxel  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  is

$$\rho_{12}^2 = \frac{|S_{12}^Z(\omega)|^2}{S_{11}^Z(\omega)S_{22}^Z(\omega)}$$

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## MEASURES OF CONNECTIVITY

Undirected **partial** Coherence between channels/voxels  $v_1$  and  $v_2$

- $P(\omega) = [S^Z(\omega)]^{-1}$
- $D(\omega) = \text{diag}[P_{11}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\omega), \dots, P_{nn}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\omega)]$
- $\Lambda(\omega) = -D(\omega)P(\omega)D(\omega)$
- Partial coherence between channel/voxel  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  is  $\Lambda_{v_1 v_2}$
- To estimate  $P(\omega)$ 
  - via Shrinkage
  - Fiecas et al. (2010, NeuroImage) and Fiecas & Ombao (2011, AOAS)

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## MEASURES OF CONNECTIVITY

Partial directed coherence between regions  $r_1$  and  $r_2$

$$C_{r_1 r_2}(\omega) = \frac{1}{|V_{r_1}| |V_{r_2}|} \sum_{i \in V_{r_1}, j \in V_{r_2}} \pi_{ij}^2(\omega)$$

where  $V_{r_1}$  and  $V_{r_2}$  are the voxel set within region  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  respectively.

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## ESTIMATION PROCEDURE

### ALGORITHM.

- STEP 1.** Obtain  $\mathbf{Z}(t)$  via source reconstruction methods or directly use the EEGs
- STEP 2.** Estimate factor loading  $\mathbf{Q}$
- STEP 3.** Estimate the factor  $\mathbf{f}_t$
- STEP 4.** Estimate the VAR order  $P$  and the coefficient matrices  $\Phi^f(\ell)$
- STEP 5.** Plug in estimates for the connectivity measures

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## ESTIMATION

### STEP 2. Estimating the factor loading $\mathbf{Q}_r$

- Compute the estimate of the covariance matrix of  $\mathbf{Z}_r(t)$

$$\widehat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{Z}_r\mathbf{Z}_r} = \mathbf{Z}'_r \mathbf{Z}_r / T$$

- Obtain the eigenvalue-eigenvector decomposition of  $\widehat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{Z}_r\mathbf{Z}_r}$ .
  - Eigenvalues are:  $\lambda_1 > \dots > \lambda_{N_r}$
  - Corresponding eigenvectors (normalized)  $\mathbf{V}_1, \dots, \mathbf{V}_{N_r}$
- The estimator of  $\mathbf{Q}_r$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{Q}}_r = [\mathbf{V}_1, \dots, \mathbf{V}_{m_r}]$$

where  $m_r$  is the dimension of the regional factor activity  $\mathbf{f}_r(t)$ .

- In practice, we would determine  $m_r$  based on the threshold of proportion of variation accounted by the factor.

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## ESTIMATION

STEP 3. Estimating the factors

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_r = \mathbf{Z}_r \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_r, \quad r = 1, \dots, R$$

STEP 4. Estimating the VAR order and coefficient matrix  $\Phi^f(\ell)$

- Define  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}(t) = [\hat{\mathbf{f}}_1(t)', \dots, \hat{\mathbf{f}}_R(t)']'$
- The optimal order minimizes the Akaike information criterion

$$\text{AIC}(P) = \log |\hat{\Sigma}_\eta| + \frac{2}{T} Pm^2$$

where  $\hat{\Sigma}_\eta = T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^T \hat{\eta}(t) \hat{\eta}(t)'$  is the residual covariance matrix.

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## ESTIMATION

### STEP 5. Estimating the connectivity measures

$$\hat{\mathbf{Q}} = \text{Diag}\{\hat{\mathbf{Q}}_1, \dots, \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_R\} \quad (1)$$

$$\hat{\Phi}^Z(\ell) = \hat{\mathbf{Q}}\hat{\Phi}^f(\ell)\hat{\mathbf{Q}}' \quad (2)$$

$$\hat{\Phi}^Z(\omega) = \mathbf{I} - \sum_{\ell=1}^P \hat{\Phi}^Z(\ell) \exp(-2\pi i \ell \omega / \Omega_s) \quad (3)$$

$$\hat{\pi}_{ij}^2(\omega) = \frac{|\hat{\Phi}_{ij}^Z(\omega)|^2}{(\hat{\Phi}_j^Z(\omega))^H \hat{\Phi}_j^Z(\omega)} \quad (4)$$

$$(5)$$

The estimate for directed connectivity from region from  $r_2$  to  $r_1$

$$\hat{\mathbf{C}}_{r_1 r_2}(\omega) = \frac{1}{|V_{r_1}| |V_{r_2}|} \sum_{i \in V_{r_1}, j \in V_{r_2}} \hat{\pi}_{ij}^2(\omega).$$

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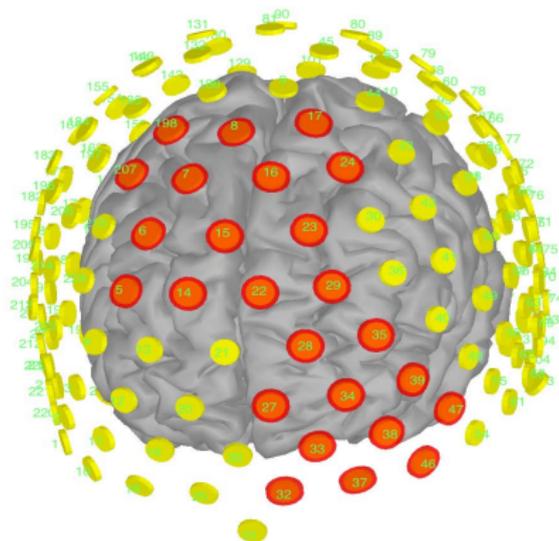
## EEG CONNECTIVITY ANALYSIS

### Data description

- Single-subject, male college student
- Number of channels 194 channels (out of 256)
- Sampling rate 1000 Hz
- $T = 1000$  (1 second)
- Regions ( $R = 14$ ): left/right prefrontal (LPF, RPF), frontal (LF, RF), central (LC, RC), parietal (LP, RP), temporal (LT, RT), occipital (LO, RO) and limbic (LL, RL).

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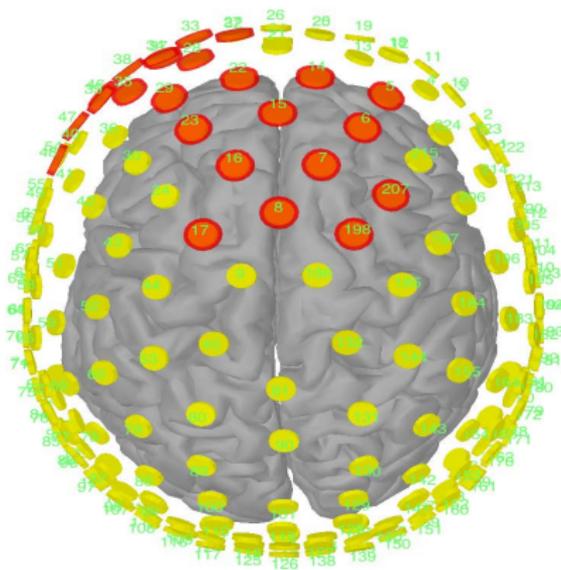
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SMA and Left Pre-frontal channels

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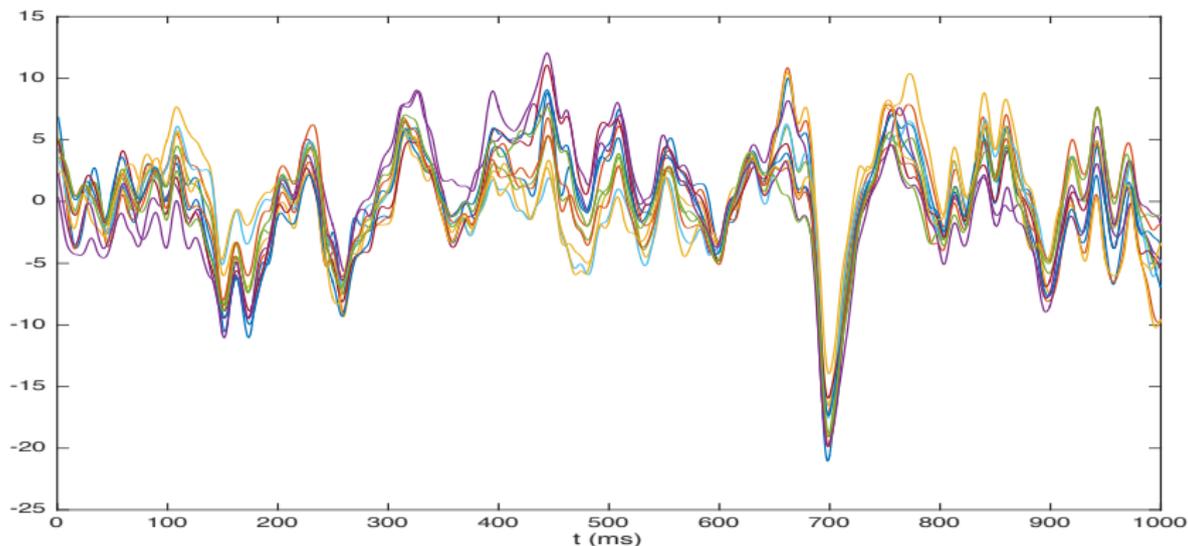
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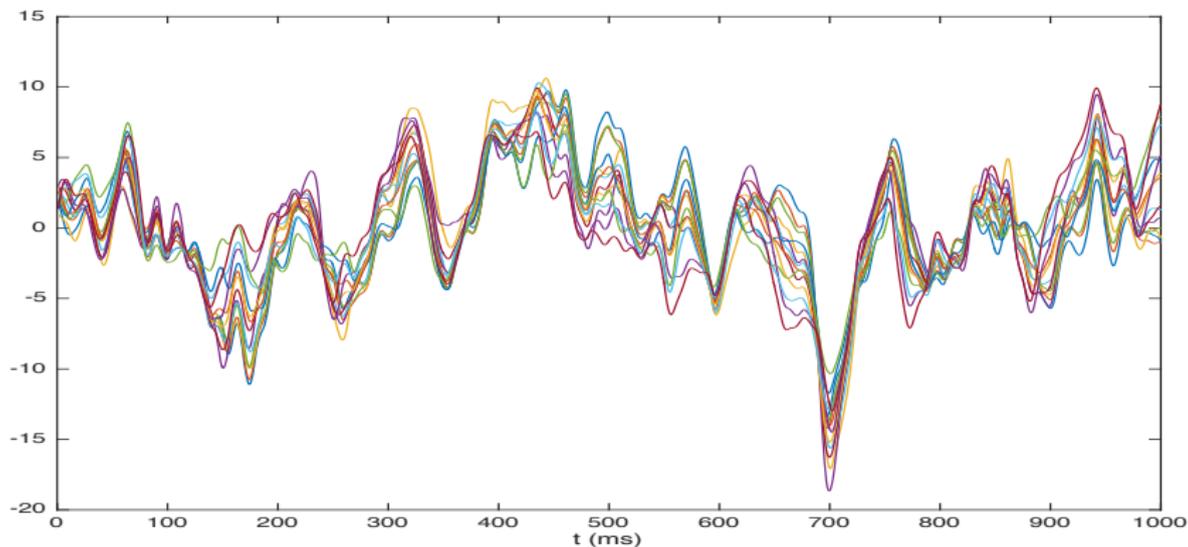
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EEG from the Left Pre-frontal channels

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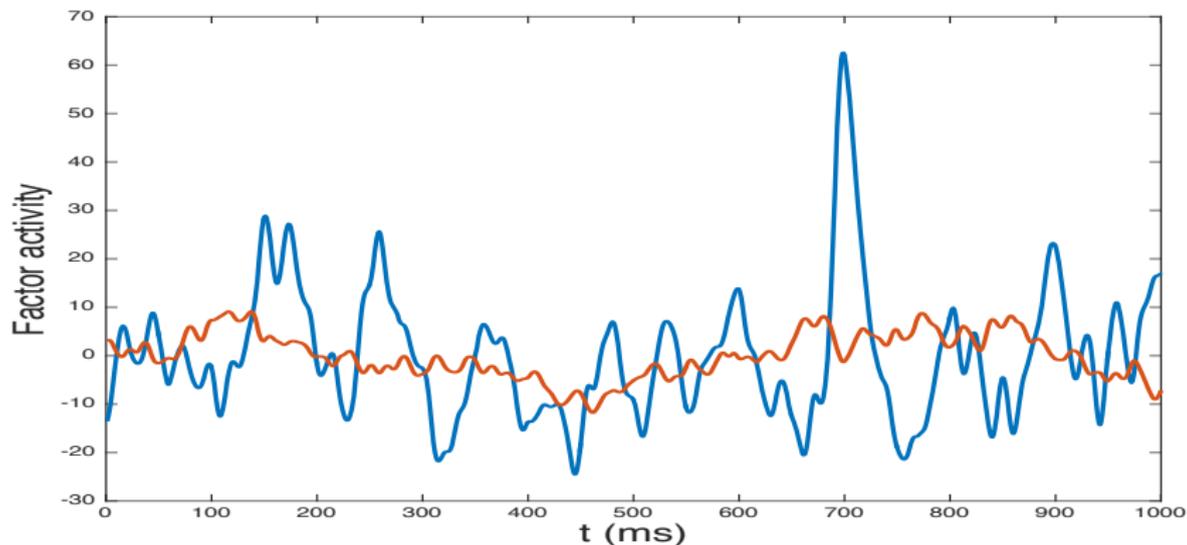
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EEG from the SMA channels

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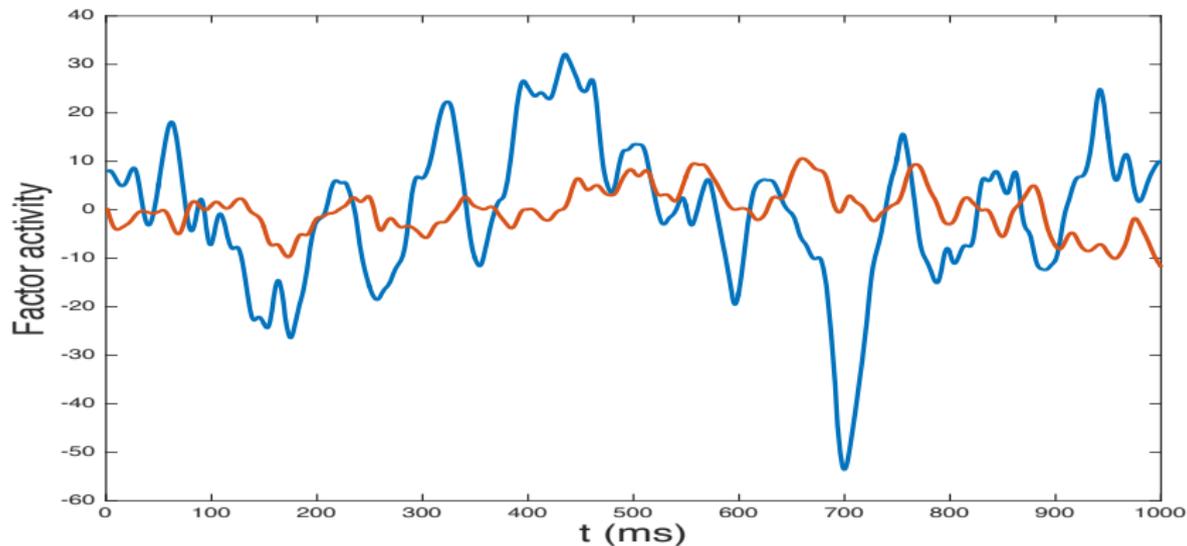
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Factors from the Left Pre-frontal channels

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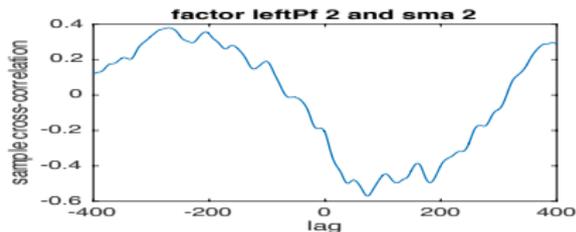
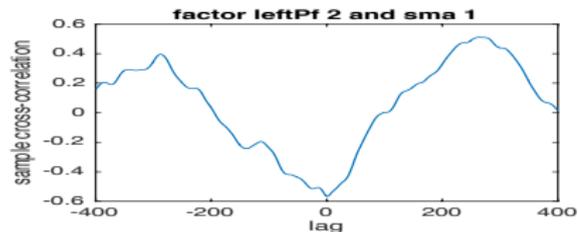
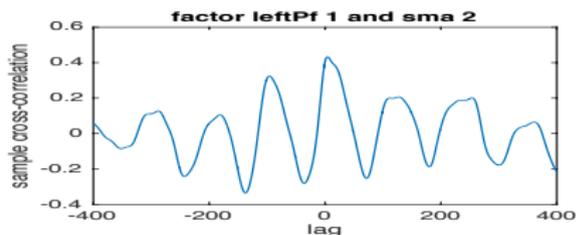
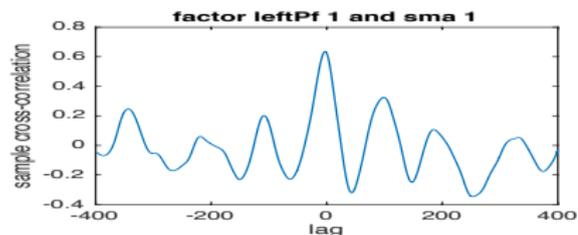
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Factors from the SMA region

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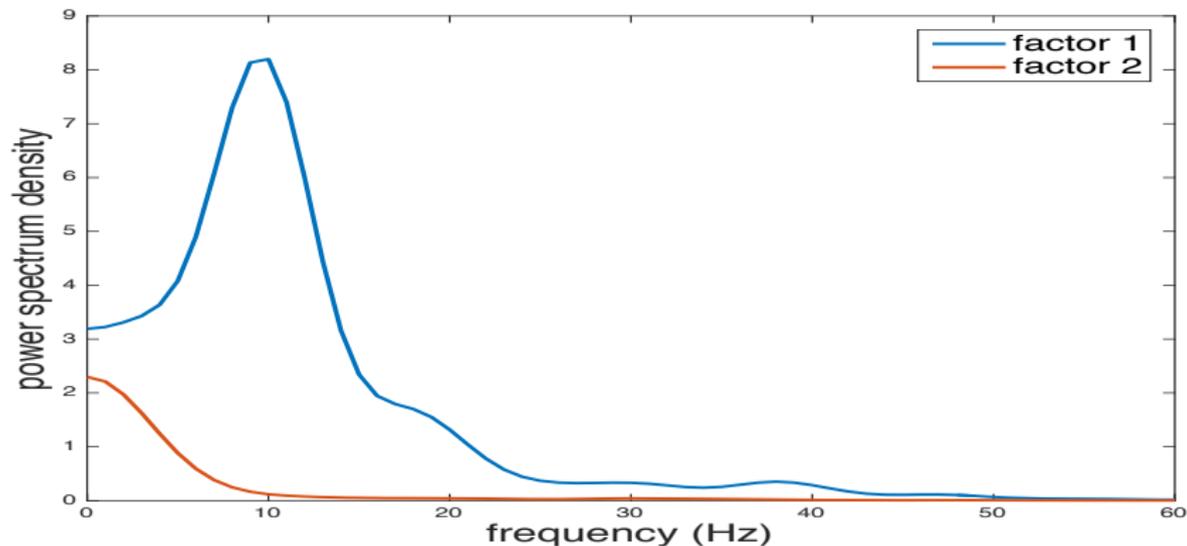
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Cross-correlation between SMA and Left-PF channels

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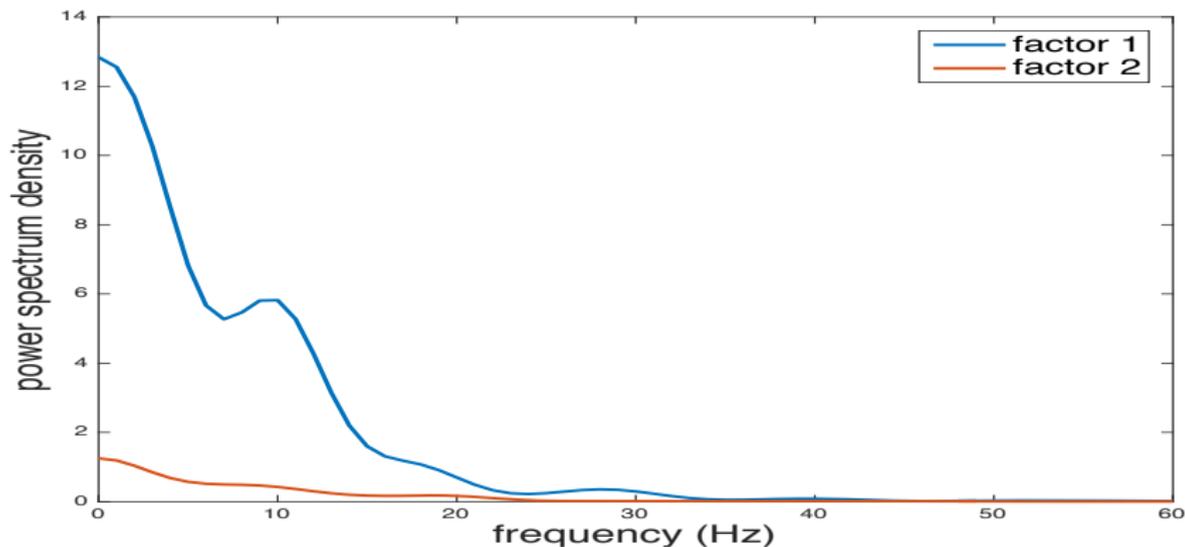
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Estimated power spectrum: factors for left Pf region

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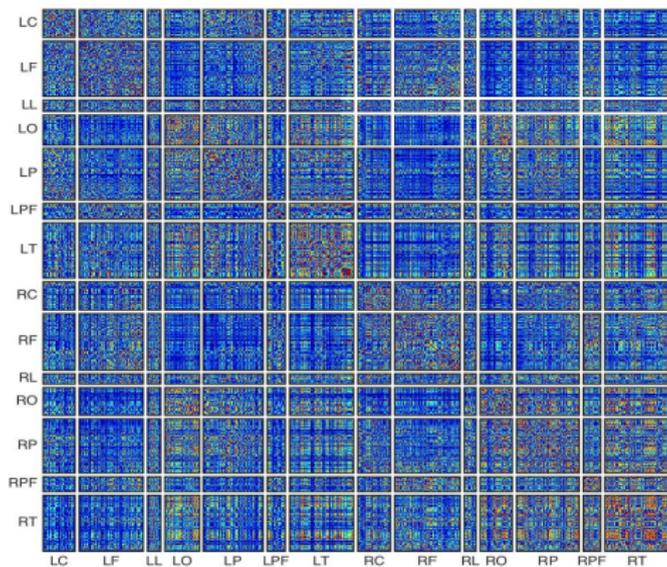
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Estimated over spectrum: factors for SMA region

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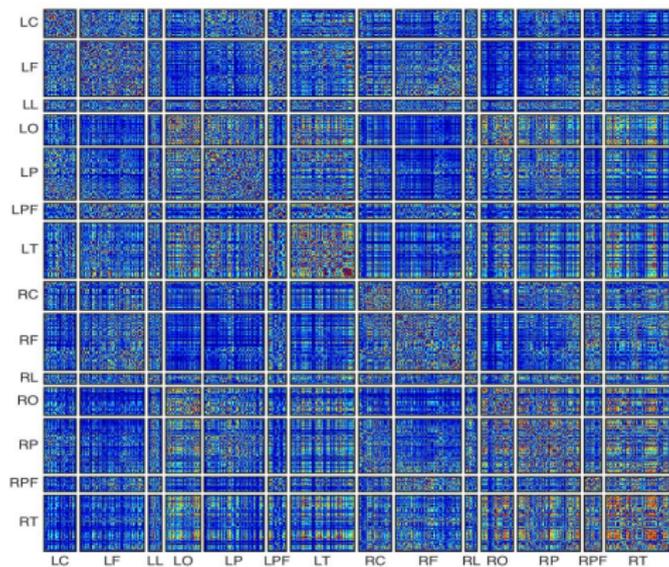
## PDC AT THE ALPHA BAND



PDC at the alpha band (8-12 Hz)

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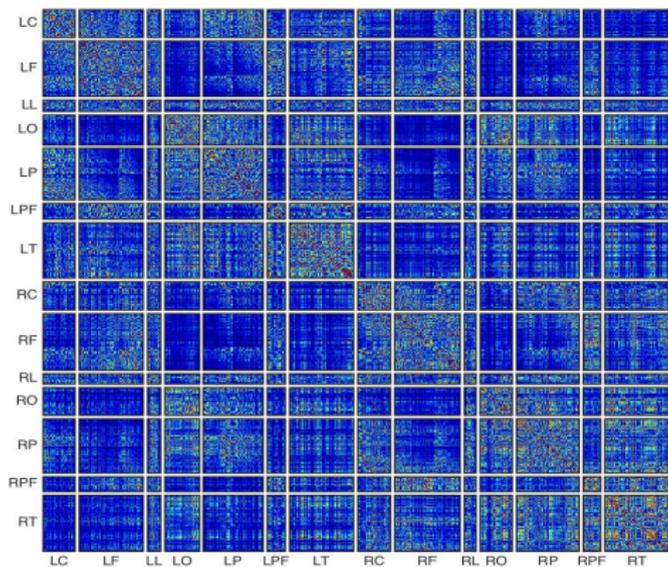
## PDC AT THE BETA BAND



PDC at the beta band (12-30 Hz)

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## PDC AT THE GAMMA BAND



PDC at the gamma band (30-50 Hz)

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## EEG ANALYSIS: RESULTS

- Even with a small number of factors ( $m_r = 3$ ) was able to capture most of the variation within each region (over 85%)
- Modular organization - connectivity between channels/voxels in the same region is generally higher than between channels/voxels from different regions
- Connectivity at the alpha (8-12 Hz) and beta (12-30 Hz) stronger than at the gamma band (30-50 Hz) – resting state!
- Pronounced directed outflows: LC  $\rightarrow$  LP; LP  $\rightarrow$  RL.

# MULTI-SCALE FACTOR ANALYSIS

## FUTURE WORK

- Combining information across trials
- Combining information across subjects
- Testing for differences in PDC across patient groups; experimental conditions
- Associations between physiology and behavior
- Non-stationarity (factor analysis)
  - Dynamic factor models (Forni, Hallin, Lippi & Reichlin)
  - Evolutionary factor analysis (Motta & Ombao (2012))
- Visualization with M. Genton and Y. Sun (KAUST)

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