Development of Differential Connectivity Graph for Characterization of Brain Regions Involved in Epilepsy

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Introduction

Context





- Life of epileptic patients is not easy.
- Over 30% of epileptic patients do not have seizure control with drugs.
- Drug-resistant epileptic patients are the candidates for surgery [Lüders & Bingaman, 2008].
- Currently 400 patients undergo resective surgery yearly in France [Devaux et al., 2008].

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Epilepsy

- Seizures are associated with increase of transient electrical activity
- Interictal epileptiform discharges (IEDs): waves or complexes distinguished from background activity [Chatrian et al., 1974].



[David et al., 2008]

- Seizure onset zone (SOZ): the region of the first electrophysiological changes is detected at seizure onset.
- IED region: the site responsible for IEDs generation.

How does the surgeon determine the regions to be removed?

- Different clinical knowledge: like EEG, fMRI, studying clinical syndromes (semiology), etc
- SOZ detection: visual inspection of EEG
 - during spontaneous seizures
 - electrically stimulated seizures
- Epileptologist dependent and time consuming
- Number of seizures are very limited: not enough for statistically reliable results.
- Are SOZs congruent with leading IED regions?[Alarcon, 1996, Alarcon et al., 1997, Hufnagel et al., 2000,

Le Van Quyen et al., 1998, Ortega et al., 2008a, Lai et al., 2007, Ortega et al., 2008b,

Wilke et al., 2009, Bourien et al., 2005, Monto et al., 2007, Wendling et al., 2009].



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Objectives

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- The estimation of leading IED regions through a reliable and repeatable method
- Comparison between IED regions and SOZ

How to reach this objective

- Scalp EEG: noninvasive, high temporal and poor spatial resolution.
- fMRI: noninvasive, high spatial, poor temporal resolution, not suitable for motor seizure [Rosenow & Lüders, 2001].



- Inverse models
- Implanted intracerebral depth electrodes: intracerebral EEG (iEEG).
 - high temporal and spatial resolution
 - invasive
 - limited to the covered area



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- The coupling matrix and graph include the information.





Previous IED related graphs

Previous studies

- Previous graphs of studying IED events are complex.
- We look for simpler graph.
- We use both IED and non-IED time intervals.
- One can calculate two separate graphs for IED and non-IED and compare them.
- Single reliable graph including discriminated connections.

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Problem statement

Problems of available connectivity graphs for the estimation of IED regions.



- Using only IED time intervals.
- Include non-interested connections.
- Complicated (high-density electrode array iEEG) ⇒ difficult interpretation

Differential connectivity graph (DCG)



- Differential is related to "making the difference".
- One may consider of making the difference between two separated IED and non-IED graphs.

Differential connectivity graph (DCG)



- DCG identifies the discriminated connections between two brain states (*IED* and *non-IED*).
- DCG uses both *IED* and *non-IED* periods.
- Preserve the significantly changing connections by comparing their couplings.
- the effect of common events is decreased.

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- DCG needs to select IED and non-IED time intervals from the same recordings.
- Sufficient number of IED and non-IED periods
- Statistically reliable



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Diagram of DCG calculation.

IED and non-IED time intervals

iEEG recordings of a typical patient for about 14 seconds.



Onsets and offsets of IED and non-IED time intervals.

Different frequency bands



- Lower frequencies have higher contribution.
- Wavelet transforms:
 - narrower bands for lower frequencies.
 - well adapted for the analysis of non-stationary EEG signals

[Clark et al., 1995, Senhadji & Wendling, 2002, Adeli et al., 2003, Indiradevi et al., 2008, Conlon et al., 2009].

Coupling computation

• Wavelet cross-correlation [Whitcher et al., 2000, Achard et al., 2006, Ali, 2009]

$$\hat{\rho}\left(\mathbf{d}_{i}^{j_{w}},\mathbf{d}_{j}^{j_{w}},\tau\right) = \frac{\widehat{cov}(d_{i}^{j_{w}}[k],d_{j}^{j_{w}}[k-\tau])}{\sqrt{\widehat{var}(d_{i}^{j_{w}}[k])\widehat{var}(d_{j}^{j_{w}}[k-\tau])}}$$

 The maximum MODWT cross-correlation (MMCC) is our formal coupling measure, MODWT: the maximal overlap discrete wavelet transform

[Percival, 1995, Whitcher et al., 2000].



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Summary

- DCG is a new method for computation of graphs [Amini et al., 2010b].
- DCG focuses on connections whose couplings change significantly between two states.
 - in this work, IED/non-IED
 - generalized to other applications
- Main properties of DCG:
 - Couplings are calculated in different frequency bands using wavelet
 - J frequency bands: J DCGs
 - DCG is statistically reliable, large number of IED and non-IED time intervals and permutation

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- assumption: this information is related to IED events
- source nodes are leading IED regions
- We aim to define the source nodes of directed DCG
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- a node whose LE is high is not necessarily a source
- amount of information is not considered



Local information

Local information (*LI***):** amount of information passes through each node locally.

$$LI[a] = \sum_{\mathbf{V}_{a \rightarrow b}} MI(d_a[k], d_b[k - \tau_{ab}^*]) - \sum_{\mathbf{V}_{b \rightarrow a}} MI(d_a[k], d_b[k - \tau_{ab}^*])$$



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- the greater positive *LI* values, the greater relevance of node as a source.
- total degree of a weighted digraph.

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• Advantages of LI over classic measures

- weighted measure
- the information carried by each edge
- Disadvantages of Ll
 - Iocal measure
 - computationally heavy

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How to consider the *LI* values of all the frequency bands simultaneously?

- scalarization of Ll[:][n] into a single scalar value: e.g. max ||Ll[:][n]||₂
- solutions depend on the importance of the frequency bands
- the preference between different frequency bands is unknown

Multi-objective optimization methods (Pareto optimization)

- Multiple objective functions are optimized simultaneously [Deb, 1999]: max $\left\{ Ll^{j=1}[n], Ll^{j=2}[n], \dots, Ll^{j=J}[n] \right\}$
- providing a set of optimal solutions: Pareto front = most relevant nodes = leading IED regions
 - Pareto (1848-1923)
 - Pareto optimization: in economics, and social science



- nodes or points in 2 dimensions: 2 frequency bands j₁ and j₂
- the basic concept of MOP: Definition of dominancy
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Estimation of *l*IED regions

• Nodes \in *J*-dimensional search space

• maximize
$$\left\{ Ll^{j=1}[n], Ll^{j=2}[n], \dots, Ll^{j=J}[n] \right\}$$

- Pareto front or estimated ℓ IED regions:
 - Pareto optimization algorithm (classic)
 - Neighbor-Pareto optimization algorithm (new)

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Parameters of the patients' iEEG

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	min	max	mean
iEEG bipolar channels	104	111	106
possible number of connections	4950	6105	5551
length of data (minutes)	42	90	$55.44 \approx 2 \times 10^6$ samples
number of IED time intervals	160	614	304
number of non-IED time intervals	143	200	174

Implantation scheme of iEEG electrodes for patient 3



The iEEG recordings are provided by Prof. P. Kahane and his colleagues in Neurology department of Grenoble hospital (CHUG).



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iEEG recording's of patient 3 (P3) for two time windows



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Leading IED regions

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Qualitative comparison between *LI* and classic measures

P1	antHC	postHC	amyg	pHcG	mTP	
global efficiency			×	x	×	
local efficiency [*]	×	×	×	×	×	
total degree			×	×		
local information using Pareto opt	×		×	×		
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×	×	
P2	antHC	postHC	amyg	pHcG		
global efficiency	×					
local efficiency	×	×		×		
total degree	×			×		
local information using Pareto opt	×					
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×		
P3	antHC	postHC	pHcG			
global efficiency	×	×	×			
local efficiency	×	×	×			
total degree	×	×				
local information using Pareto opt	×	×				
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×			
P4	antHC	postHC	amyg	entCx	mTP	aı
global efficiency	×	×	×	×		×
local efficiency	×	×		×		
total degree		×	×	×		
local information using Pareto opt	×	×	×	×		
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×	×	
P5	midInsG					
global efficiency	×					
local efficiency	NA					
total degree	×					
local information using Pareto opt	×					
visually inspected SOZ	×					

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visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×	×	
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	×
electrically stimulated SOZ		×				
ℓ IED using LI and Pareto opt	×		×	×		
P2	antHC	postHC	amyg	pHcG	TP	
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visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×	×	
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	
electrically stimulated SOZ	-					
ℓ IED using LI and Pareto opt	×	×	×	×		
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F2	anthe	posine	amyg	price	11	
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×		
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	
electrically stimulated SOZ	×	×				
ℓ IED using LI and Pareto opt	×					
P3	antHC	postHC	pHcG	TP		
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×			
removed region	×	×	×	×		
electrically stimulated SOZ	×					
ℓ IED using LI and Pareto opt	×	×				
P4	antHC	postHC	amyg	entCx	mTP	antCG
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×	×	
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	
electrically stimulated SOZ	-					
ℓ IED using LI and Pareto opt	×	×	×	×		
P5	midInsG					
visually inspected SOZ	×					
removed region	×					
electrically stimulated SOZ	NA					
ℓ IED using LI and Pareto opt	×					

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Methods

 vSOZ and removed regions: by epileptologists

• eSOZ: by [David et al., 2008]

• *l*IED using *LI* and Pareto opt: our method

P1	antHC	postHC	amyg	pHcG	mTP	antsupTG
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×	×	
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	×
electrically stimulated SOZ		×				
lied using LI and Pareto opt	×		×	×		
P2	antHC	postHC	amyg	pHcG	TP	
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×		
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	
electrically stimulated SOZ	×	×				
lied using LI and Pareto opt	×					
P3	antHC	postHC	pHcG	TP		
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×			
removed region	×	×	×	×		
electrically stimulated SOZ	×					
lieD using LI and Pareto opt	×	×				
P4	antHC	postHC	amyg	entCx	mTP	antCG
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×	×	
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	
electrically stimulated SOZ	-					
lIED using LI and Pareto opt	×	×	×	×		
P5	midInsG					
visually inspected SOZ	×					
removed region	×					
electrically stimulated SOZ	NA					
lieD using LI and Pareto opt	×					

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P1	antHC	postHC	amyg	pHcG	mTP	antsupTG
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×	×	
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	×
electrically stimulated SOZ		×				
lied using LI and Pareto opt	×		×	×		
P2	antHC	postHC	amyg	pHcG	TP	
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×		
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	
electrically stimulated SOZ	×	×				
lieD using LI and Pareto opt	×					
P3	antHC	postHC	pHcG	TP		
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×			
removed region	×	×	×	×		
electrically stimulated SOZ	×					
lied using LI and Pareto opt	×	×				
P4	antHC	postHC	amyg	entCx	mTP	antCG
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×	×	
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	
electrically stimulated SOZ	-					
lied using LI and Pareto opt	×	×	×	×		
P5	midInsG					
visually inspected SOZ	×					
removed region	×					
electrically stimulated SOZ	NA					
lied using LI and Pareto opt	×					

Methods

 vSOZ and removed regions: by epileptologists

• eSOZ: by [David et al., 2008]

• *l*IED using *LI* and Pareto opt: our method

Remarks

- *l*IED: congruent with vSOZ, removed regions, and eSOZ
- *l*IED: reliable results for presurgery evaluations

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P1	antHC	postHC	amyg	pHcG	mTP	antsupTG
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×	×	
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	×
electrically stimulated SOZ		×				
ℓ IED using LI and Pareto opt	×		×	×		
P2	antHC	postHC	amyg	pHcG	TP	
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×		
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	
electrically stimulated SOZ	×	×				
ℓ IED using LI and Pareto opt	×					
P3	antHC	postHC	pHcG	TP		
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×			
removed region	×	×	×	×		
electrically stimulated SOZ	×					
ℓ IED using LI and Pareto opt	×	×				R
P4	antHC	postHC	amyg	entCx	mTP	antCG
visually inspected SOZ	×	×	×	×	×	
removed region	×	×	×	×	×	
electrically stimulated SOZ	-					
ℓ IED using LI and Pareto opt	×	×	×	×		
P5	midInsG					
visually inspected SOZ	×					
removed region	×					
electrically stimulated SOZ	NA					
[IED using L1 and Pareto opt]	×					

Methods

 vSOZ and removed regions: by epileptologists

eSOZ: by [David et al., 2008]

• *l*IED using *LI* and Pareto opt: our method

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• *l*IED: without using seizures.

Outline

Directed differential connectivity graph (dDCG)

- Basic idea of DCG
- DCG calculation
- Characterization of dDCG
- Multiple graph analysis
- Experimental results
 dDCG
 - Leading IED regions



Conclusion

Methodological point of view

- Development of DCG: identify the reliable discriminated connections between two states [Amini et al., 2010b]
- Local information [Amini et al., 2010a]
- Integration of advanced/reliable methods
 - Pareto optimization [Deb, 1999]
 - Permutation [Pollard & van der Laan, 2003]

Application point of view

*ℓ*IED regions (based on IEDs) congruent with vSOZ (based on seizures)

Perspective

• Methodological point of view

- Automatic IED labelling
- Estimating *l*IED regions from scalp EEG (noninvasive)
- General application of DCG

• Application point of view

• Using larger number of patients for the relationship ℓ IED/SOZ.

List of Related Publications

Journals

- L. Amini, C. Jutten, S. Achard, O. David, P. Kahane, L. Vercueil, L. Minotti, G. A. Hossein-Zadeh, and H. Soltanian-Zade, Comparison Of Five Directed Graph Measures For Identification Of Leading Interictal Epileptic Regions, *Physiological Measurements*, *Physiol. Meas.*, vol. 31, pp. 1529-1546, 2010.
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Outline



Development of Differential Connectivity Graph

Graphs

- Graph is a set pair of nodes (associated with iEEG bipolar channels or bipolar electrode leads) and edges (or connections).
- Particular directed graph (digraph): oriented graphs.



Wavelet transform

Wavelet coefficients of a typical iEEG channel in different frequency

bands



Wavelet transform

$$c_i^{j+1}[k] = h^j[-k] * c_i^j[k], \quad j = 0, \dots, J-1$$

 $d_i^{j+1}[k] = g^j[-k] * c_i^j[k], \quad j = 0, \dots, J-1$

$$h^{j+1}[k] = \begin{cases} h^{j}[\frac{k}{2}], & k \text{ even} \\ 0, & k \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

IED and non-IED segment matrices



Multiple testing

$$\begin{cases} H_0^n : & \mu_n^1 = \mu_n^2 \\ H_1^n : & \mu_n^1 \neq \mu_n^2 \end{cases}$$
$$t_n = \frac{\hat{\mu}_n^1 - \hat{\mu}_n^2}{\sqrt{\frac{(\hat{\sigma}_n^1)^2}{L^1} + \frac{(\hat{\sigma}_n^2)^2}{L^2}}} \\p[n] = \frac{card(\{n_p | |t_n^{n_p}| > |t_n|\})}{N_p} \\\begin{cases} a[i] = \max(a[i-1], 1 - (1 - p[i])^{N_c - i + 1}) & 2 \le i \le N_c \\ a[1] = 1 - (1 - p[1])^{N_c} & i = 1 \end{cases}$$

Time delay estimation

- nodes i and $j \in DCG$
- **d**^j_w and **d**^j_j: wavelet coefficients of signal pair (*i*, *j*) in frequency band related to *j*_w for the *whole* selected time for processing.



Reliability of time delay estimation



Reliability of time delay estimation

Jackknife method:

- For $N_w = 100$ windows of length W = 20 minutes, the time delay τ_{ij}^{*jw} is estimated.
- W is large enough to include enough number of IEDs.
- $\bar{\tau}_{ij}^{*j_w} = \arg\max_u(\hat{p}_{\tau_{ii}^{*j_w}}(u))$
- $#(\bar{\tau}_{ij}^{*jw} \times \tau_{ij}^{*jw} > 0)/#(edges)$ is in the range [78 95]% for different frequency bands.

Remarks

- $\tau_{ii}^{*j_w}$ can provide reliable estimation of the most probable time lag if:
 - significant couplings
 - length of signal pairs are long enough for a proper estimation of CCF
 - τ^{max} is chosen properly.

Reliability of time delay estimation

Jackknife method:

Frequency (Hz)	2-4	4-8	8-16	16-32	32-64
$=$ $\#(ar{ au}^{*j_w}_{ij} imes au^{*j_w}_{ij}>$ 0) / $\#(ext{edges})$	94/110	74/82	41/43	18/23	8/9
percentage (%)	85	90	95	78	88

Choice of τ^{max} in dDCG

- increase of *τ^{max}* ⇒ increases the bias & variance (length of overlapped signals) of time delay estimation.
- decreasing τ^{max} less than the true time delay \Rightarrow missing the time delay
- τ^{max} : the smallest value of the maximum physiological constraint.
- We need to know the range of physiological constraints (IED propagation delay < [50 200] msec).



Development of Differential Connectivity Graph

Pretest for testing the significance of each edge of DCG

- The effect of adding a pretest
- Connections whose couplings are significantly greater than the threshold for both IED and non-IED states are entered the multiple testing.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{rrr} H_0^n : & \mu_n^l \le \ 0.3 \\ H_1^n : & \mu_n^l > \ 0.3 \end{array} \right.$$

Pretest for testing the significance of each edge of DCG

Comparison

 Similarity percentage: the normalized sum of common number of significant or non-significant t-values over number of possible connections.

Remarks

- most of the connections of the DCG have significantly large couplings in both IED and non-IED time intervals
- DCG is designed to detect the connections whose couplings change significantly between IED and non-IED time intervals

Similarity percentage	2-4	4-8	8-16	16-32	32-64
P1	96.83	92.53	94.45	97.65	99.27
P2	100	99.95	99.54	99.69	99.87

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Different frequency bands

Why wavelet transform?

 Wavelet transforms are well adapted for the analysis of non-stationary EEG signals [Clark et al., 1995, Senhadji & Wendling, 2002, Adeli et al., 2003,

Yamaguchi, 2003, Indiradevi et al., 2008, Conlon et al., 2009].

- Provide automatic frequency selection.
- Narrower bands for lower frequencies.
- Daubechies mother wavelets are a proper choice for filtering IED signals [Adeli et al., 2003].
- We calculated DCGs for different frequency bands using wavelet transform.

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DCG construction

Problem statement:

- Classic graph inference methods are threshold dependent.
- Variance of MMCC estimation:
 - estimation error
 - non-stationarity of the couplings in time
- The reliability of inferred graphs

Solution:

- Testing if the couplings during IED and non-IED change
- Using permutation based multiple testing
 - $\begin{cases} H_0: & \text{no significant change} \\ H_1: & \text{significant change} \end{cases}$
- Uncertainty of the edges of graph

Problem statement

- Global efficiency (GE), local efficiency (LE), and node degree
- Total degree = outgoing degree ingoing degree
 the importance of each edge is not considered.

LE

- a node whose LE is high is not necessarily a source
- neither the amount of information of each edge
- nor the incoming paths

• GE

- GE is more global than LE.
- neither the amount of information of each edge
- nor the incoming paths
- GE is preferred between other classic measures

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Multi-objective optimization methods

Model building: simple example

$$Ll^{j=j_{2}}[A] = --- + A$$

$$--- + A$$

$$-- + D$$

$$-- + C$$

$$-- + D$$

$$-- + C$$

nodes or points in 2 dimensions: 2 frequency bands j₁ and j₂

Multi-objective optimization methods

Model building: simple example



• nodes or points in 2 dimensions: 2 frequency bands i_1 and i_2

Multi-objective optimization methods

Comparison between Pareto optimization and scalarizing multi-objective functions j_2



• if there exist nodes *E* and *F* with equal norms:

- Pareto front: nodes E, and F
- Scalarizing: nodes E, and F

Multi-objective optimization methods

Comparison between Pareto optimization and scalarizing multi-objective functions j_2



- if there exist nodes *E* and *F* with equal norms:
 - Pareto front: nodes E, and F
 - Scalarizing: nodes E, and F
- if node C exists:
 - Pareto front: nodes C, and F
 - Scalarizing: node C

Pareto optimization algorithm



Neighbour-Pareto optimization algorithm


Multi-objective optimization methods

Pareto and neighbor-Pareto optimization solutions



Processing time

Shared 3 GHz, 4 core Xeon 64 bits processor

processing time	min	max	mean	sum
Coupling computation for all of IED/non-IED time intervals and signal pairs (hours)	2.93	3.4	3.15	15.76
Multiple testing (hours)	4.57	7.6	6.1	30.33
Direction estimation + LI computation + Pareto (minutes)	1.97	15.23	5.9	29.53
sum (hours)				46.58

Patients

patient	focal epilepsy
P1	LT
P2	LT
P3	LT
P4	RT
P5	RmidInsG

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Parameters

	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	mean
Ν	104	105	111	109	100	106
T (minutes)	61	56	42	90	66	55.44
N _c	5356	5460	6105	5886	4950	5551
L^1	298	614	223	160	223	304
L ²	143	200	195	183	148	174

Parameters

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Method parameter	
Wavelet filter	'la8'
Number of wavelet levels	5
False positive error (α)	0.05
α_{fw} (familywise α)	0.05
$ au^{max}$ for DCG (samples)	27
τ^{max} for dDCG (samples)	100
f _s (Hz)	512
N _p for DCG	10 ⁶
N _p for SP	10 ⁴
N _w	100
N _b	10 ⁴
W for reliability test of $ au^*$ (minutes)	20
W for reliability test of LI and SP (minutes)	33

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