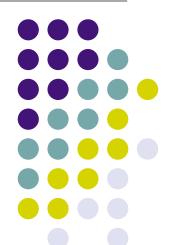
### **BCI Paradigms**

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#### **Outline**



- EEG based BCI paradigms
  - ERD/ERS
  - P300
  - SCP
  - SSEP
- Categorization of BCI paradigms

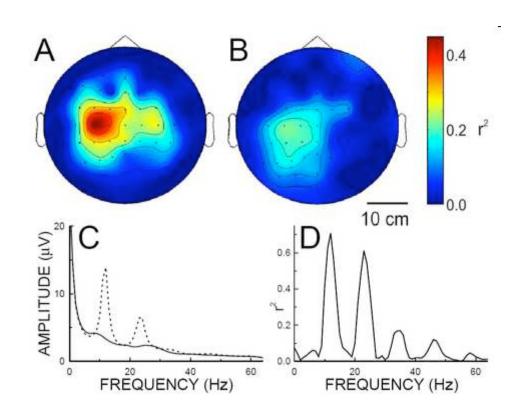
# **Event related de/synchronization (ERD/ERS)**



- Sensorimotor rhythms (SMR) (in humans called the μ-rhythm)
  - rhythmic activity usually within 8-12 Hz, often mixed with a  $\beta$  component (around 20 Hz)
  - observed over primary sensory or motor cortical areas
  - occurs (i.e. synchronized) unless processing sensory information or producing motor output
  - blocked (i.e. desynchronized) by movements, movement imagery or movement preparation

### **ERD/ERS**

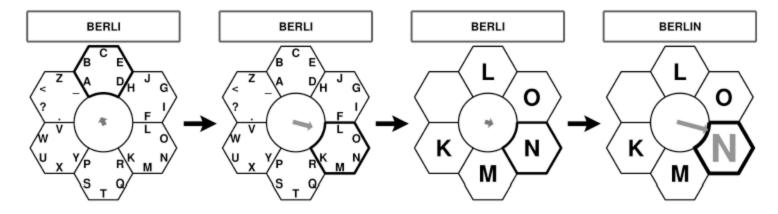




#### **ERD/ERS in BCI**



- Hex-o-Spell (Blankertz et al.)
  - Turn the arrow clockwise by imagined right-hand movement
  - Stop and extend the arrow by imagined right-foot movement



#### **ERD/ERS in BCI**



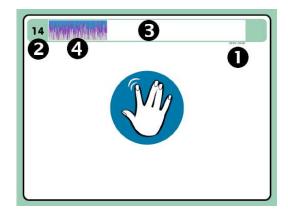
 Hex-o-Spell (http://www.dcs.gla.ac.uk/~rod/Videos.html)



#### **ERD/ERS in BCI**



- BrainBasher (Oude Bos & Reuderink)
  - Left vs. right hand imagination cued by hand symbols
  - Try to make as many correct imageries as possible within given time



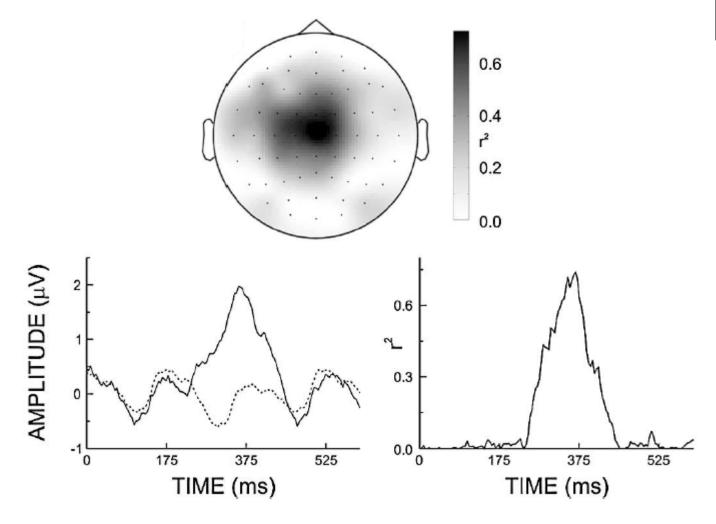
#### **P300**



- Condition to occur:
  - A rare target stimulus presented w/ low probability
  - During a series of frequent standard stimuli
  - Subject has primary task to perform on target
- A positive peak occurs over central and parietal cortex ~300 ms after the target stimulus is presented

### **P300**







- P300 Speller (Donchin et al.)
  - Visual P300
  - 6x6 matrix of symbols
  - Subject concentrates on a symbol (i.e. cell)
  - Each row and column flashes twice
    - i.e. 2 target flashes vs. 10 non-target flashes
    - random order
    - for very short time (e.g. 100 ms)



P300 Speller

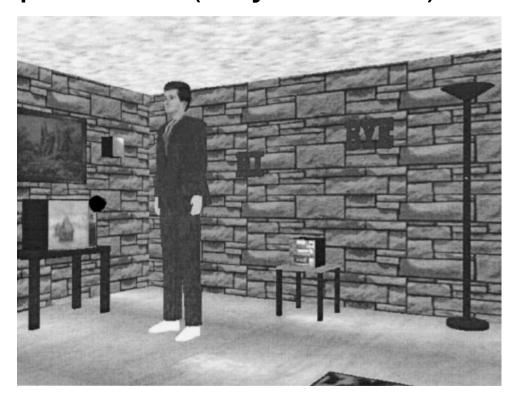
(Video @ http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4QxPR25DMAg)





- Virtual apartment (Bayliss et al.)
  - Virtual room with controllable objects
  - Task: count # flashes on an object
  - A sphere flashes on each object
    - in random order
    - once per second
    - lasting for 250 ms
  - Total of 250 flashes

• Virtual apartment (Bayliss et al.)



### **Slow Cortical Potentials (SCP)**



- Slow voltage changes generated in cortex
- Occur over 0.5 10 s
- Positive SCP: functions involving cortical activation (e.g. movement)
- Negative SCP: Reduced cortical activation

#### **SCP in BCI**



- SCP Speller (Birbaumer et al.)
  - Alphabet split into two halves
  - Each half represented for some time
  - If +SCP is observed, that half is further divided
  - Else the other half is shown
    - If +SCP is observed, that half is further divided
    - Else "Go Back"

#### SCP in BCI



#### SCP Speller

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# Steady State Evoked Potentials (SSEP)



- Stimulus presented repetitively at high rate
  - So that relevant neuronal structures are prevented to return to their resting states
- The amplitude of the SSEP is increased at the frequency of the modulation of stimulus
- Dominant location depends on type of SSEP
  - VEP (visual)
    AEP (auditory)
     SEP (somatosensory)

#### **SSEP in BCI**



- Mind Balance (Lalor et al.)
  - Character walking on a rope, stumbles on one side randomly every 1.5 – 5 s
  - Checkerboards on each side of the character, each flickering at different frequency
  - Subject looks at the checkerboard at the opposite of the side which the character is losing balance
  - Two consecutive errors results the character falling of the rope and the end of the game

### **SSEP in BCI**



#### Mind Balance

(Also see http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\_LtVLsxoN-M)





- Evoked (Endogenous / Asynchronous)
  - Subject must pay attention for a certain time to external cues (e.g. flashes, sounds, etc.)
  - Cue-based
- Spontaneous (Exogenous / Synchronous)
  - No continuous attention to specific stimulus is necessary
  - User-driven



- Spontaneous vs. Evoked
  - ERD Spontaneous
  - P300 Evoked
  - SSEP Evoked
  - SCP Spontaneous



- Dependent
  - Some activity from peripheral nerves and muscles are needed to produce changes in brain
  - E.g. gaze direction
- Independent
  - No such activity is needed
  - EEG signal depends on user's intent



 Dependent vs. Independent (Open to debate!)

ERD Independent

P300 Independent

SSEP Dependent

SCP Independent

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