



Entropy-Assisted Mind Wandering Detection Using EEG Signals with XGBoost Classifier

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What is Mind-wandering?

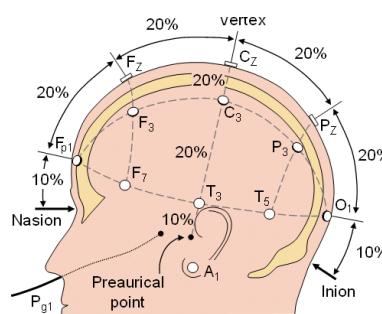
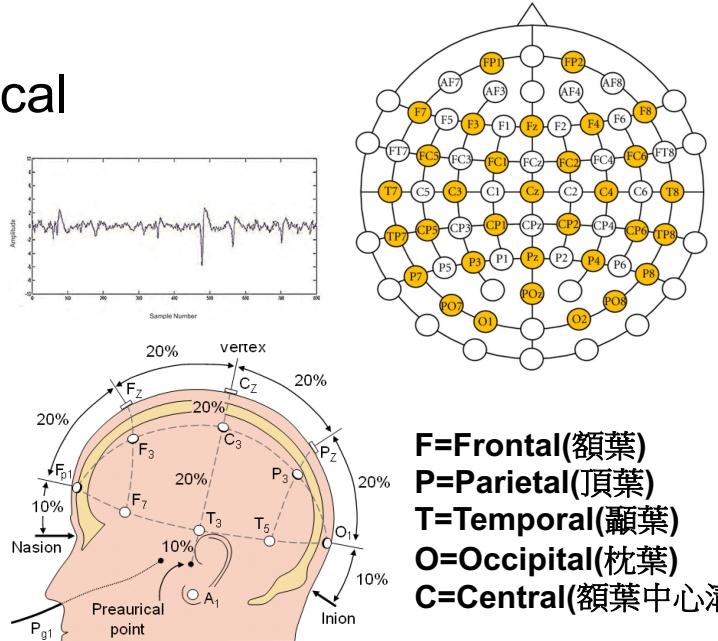
- ❖ A shift of attention away from a primary task toward internal information
 - ❖ Task-unrelated thought
 - ❖ Stimulus-independent thought
 - ❖ Mind pops
 - ❖ Zone outs
- ❖ Mind-wandering occurs anywhere between 20%-50%
- ❖ Negative impact
 - ❖ Education
 - Degrade efficiency
 - ❖ Driving
 - Car accident





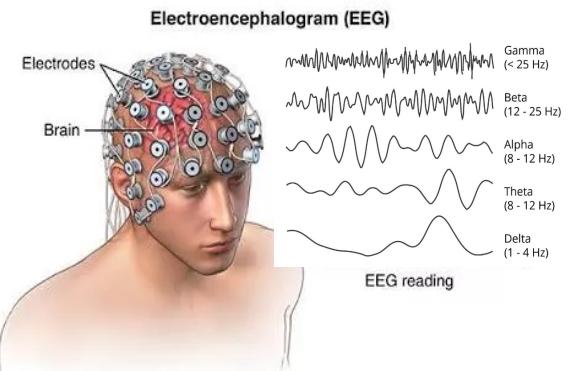
Electroencephalography (EEG)

- ❖ EEG is a technique that records the electrical activity of the brain
- ❖ Common application for EEG research
 - ❖ Social interaction
 - ❖ Psychology and neuroscience
 - Attention, learning, memory
 - ❖ Clinical and psychiatric studies
 - ❖ Brain computer interface



F=Frontal(額葉)
P=Parietal(頂葉)
T=Temporal(顱葉)
O=Occipital(枕葉)
C=Central(額葉中心溝)

Band	Remark
δ (2-3.5 Hz)	Deep sleep
θ (4-7 Hz)	Memory encoding and retrieval
α (9-11 Hz)	Quietly sitting in relaxed position with eyes closed
β (15-30 Hz)	Mental thought and activity





Problem Formulation

- ❖ Reminding from people help us to refocus to work, study



Attempt to use smartphone



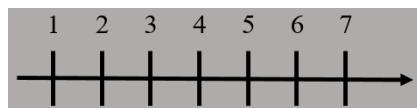
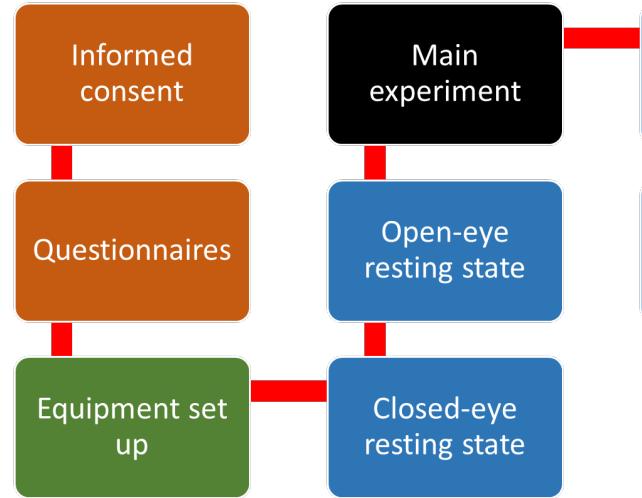
Focus On Work

- ❖ Collection of mind-wandering data
- ❖ Challenge of EEG mind wandering detector for continuously monitoring
 - ❖ Portable → least channel to get acceptable performance
 - ❖ Real-time → make the response as soon as possible
 - ❖ Low power → to continuously monitor mind wandering
 - ❖ Accurate → not to cause false alarm to influence user

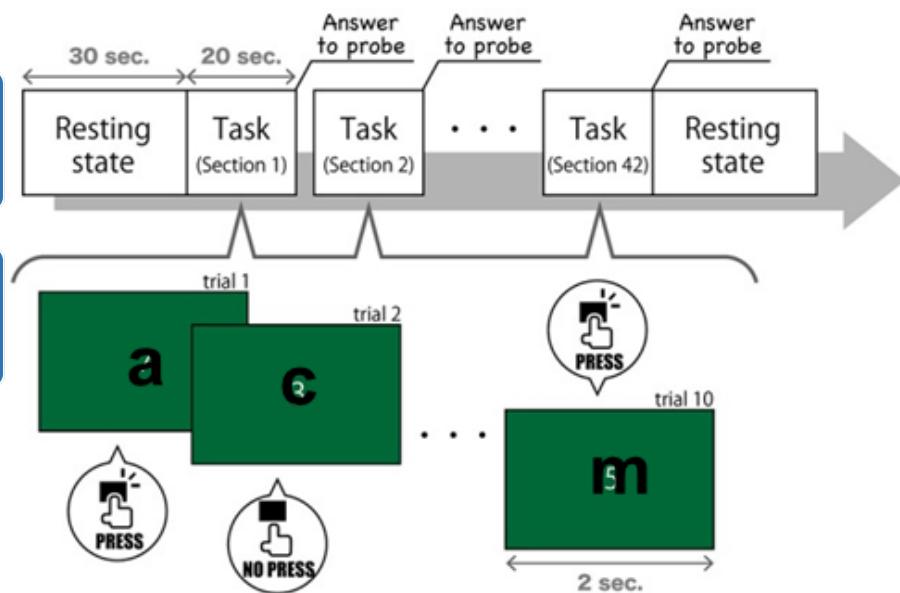


Sustained Attention to Response Task (SART)

- ❖ Define 1 of 26 alphabets as target
 - ❖ Press when non-target digits appeared
- ❖ Dependent variables:
 - ❖ How focused are you?
 - ❖ What was in your mind?
- ❖ Experiment flowchart

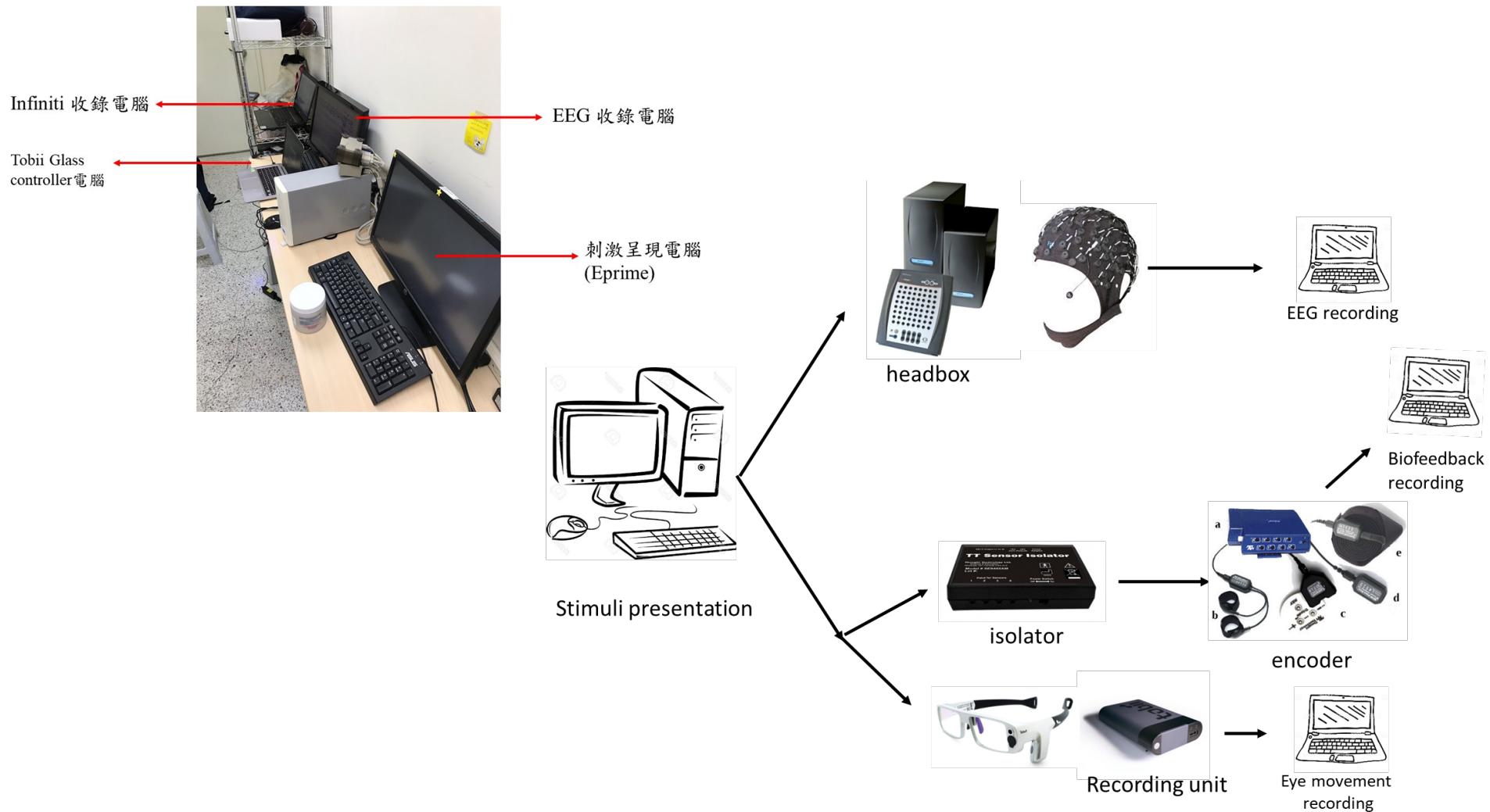


- 1.專注在作業上
- 2.思考作業表現
- 3.被無關刺激吸引
- 4.思考無關的事
- 5.放空



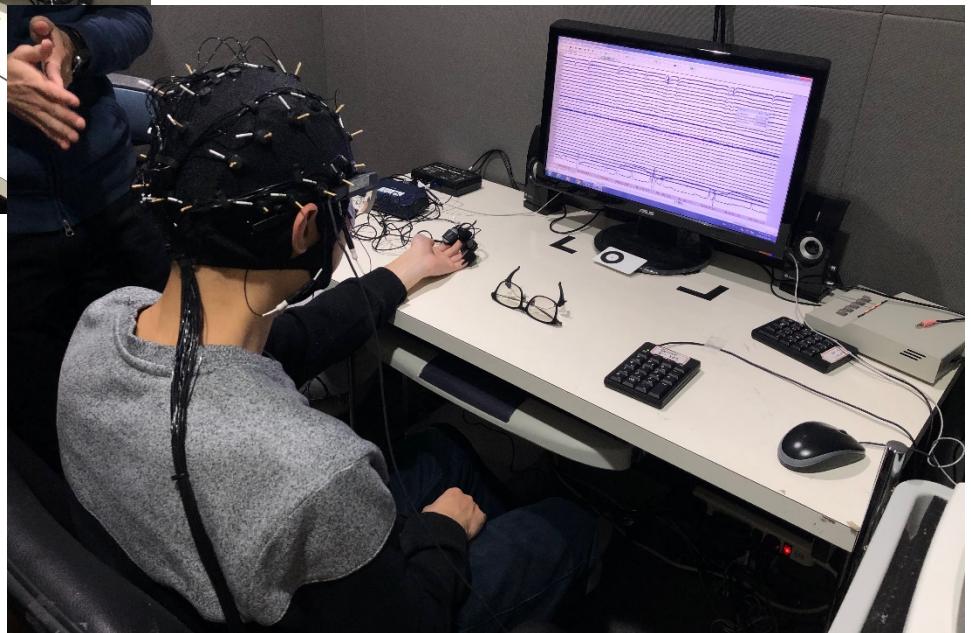
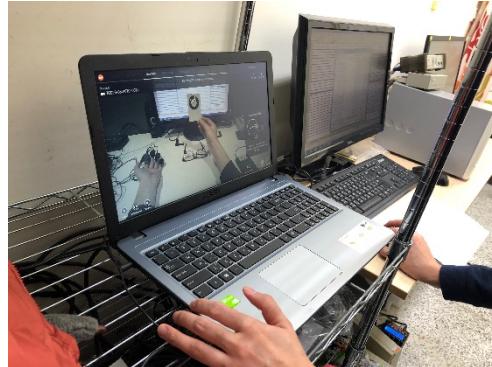
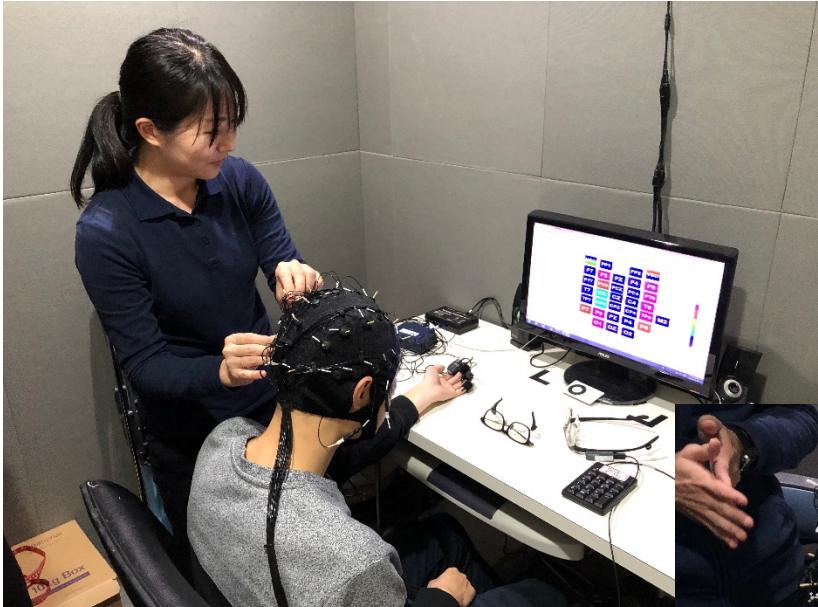


Experiment Instrument





Experiments in NTU Psychology Dept.

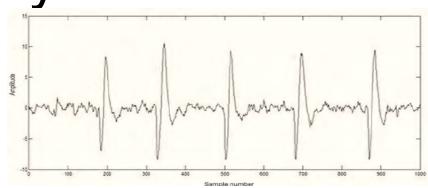




Comparison to Related Works

Related work

- ❖ Using EEG with lots of channels
- ❖ Independent component analysis (ICA) to remove eye blink noise
- ❖ Lack of feature variety
 - ❖ Extract $\theta, \alpha, \beta, \gamma$ power band
- ❖ Traditional classifier
 - ❖ SVM, KNN, Naive Bayesian



Ours

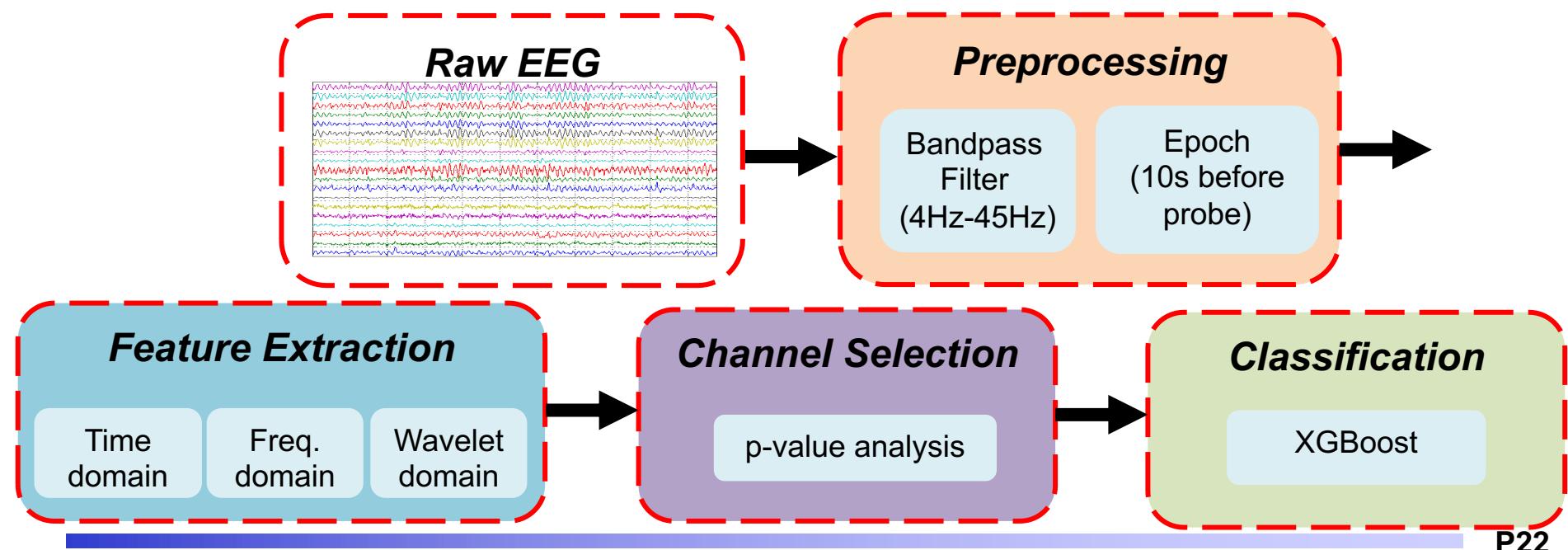
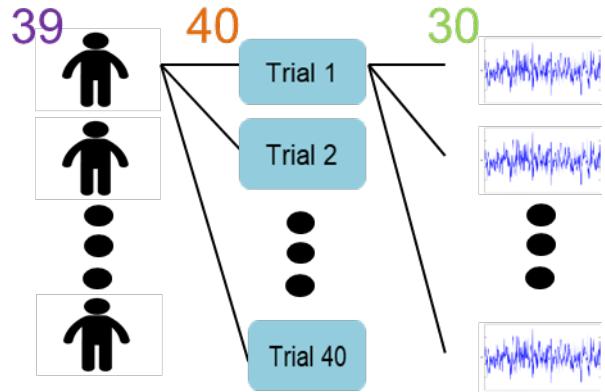
- ❖ Find the salient EEG channels first
- ❖ No need of ICA to remove eye blink noise
- ❖ Extract non-linear features from three different domains
 - ❖ Find the substitution for multiscale entropy
- ❖ XGBoost classifier
 - ❖ Tree structure
 - ❖ Combining feature selection





Mind Wandering Prediction

- ❖ Data
 - ❖ 28-channel EEG + 2-channel EOG
- ❖ Label (how focused are you)
 - ❖ 0: self-rating < 4 (33.98%)
 - ❖ 1: self-rating > 4 (45.97%)





Feature Extraction

❖ Traditional features of EEG signals

	Time	Frequency	Wavelet
Basic	Mean, mean power, std, 1 st diff, 2 nd diff	$\theta, \alpha, \beta, \gamma$ power spectral density	Mean power, mean, std, a ratio of the absolute mean values of adjacent sub-bands.

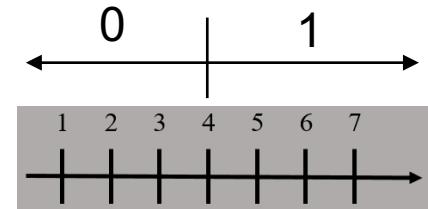
❖ Non-linear entropy-related features

	Time	Frequency	Wavelet
Entropy	Multiscale permutation entropy, Multiscale dispersion entropy, Multiscale fluctuation-based dispersion entropy	Spectral entropy	Multiscale permutation entropy, Multiscale dispersion entropy, Multiscale fluctuation-based dispersion entropy



Channel Analysis

- ❖ Extracting **40** features in each channel
 - ❖ Frontal (F) and Central (C) are the salient channels



Channel (# of features p-value < .05)



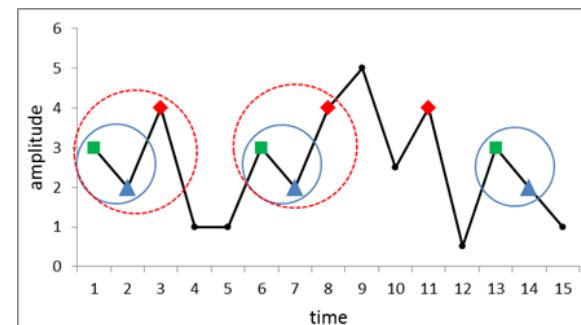
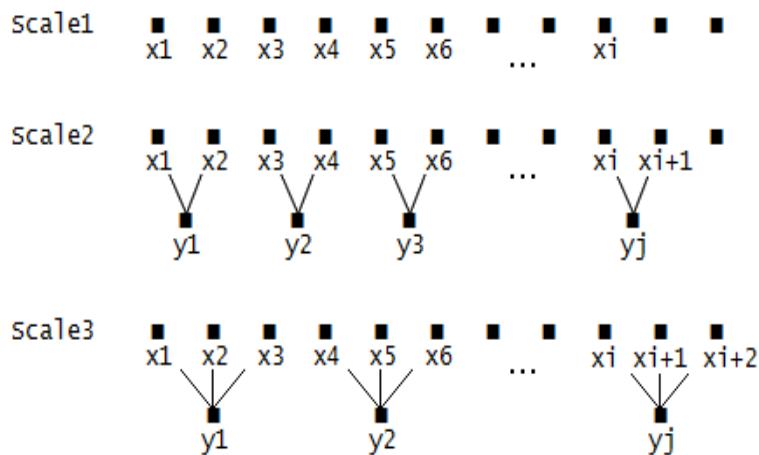
Multiscale Entropy (MSE)

- ❖ Multiscale entropy (MSE) :
 - ❖ Complexity of time series
- ❖ Coarse graining (Mutliscale)
 - ❖ Non-overlapping average, total length N

$$y_j^{(\tau)} = 1/\tau \sum_{i=(j-1)\tau+1}^{j\tau} x_i \quad \tau: \text{scale factor}$$

- ❖ τ set to 1~20, gain 20 new series
- ❖ Sample entropy calculation
 - ❖ Count the number of m -pt and $m + 1$ -pt matches

$$SampEn = -\ln \left(\frac{(m+1)-\text{pt matches num}}{m-\text{pt matches num}} \right)$$



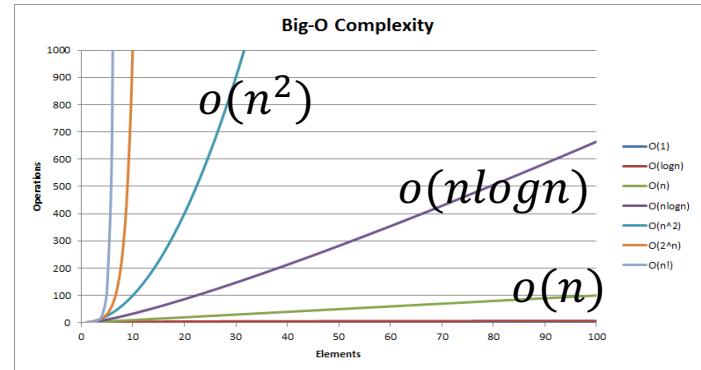


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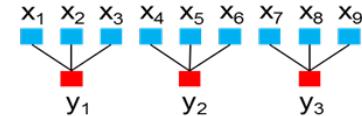
- ❖ Widely used in biomedical applications
 - ❖ Diagnose depression
 - ❖ Parkinson's disease
 - ❖ Alzheimer's disease

- ❖ Cons of MSE
 - ❖ High computational time $O(n^2)$ in calculating sample entropy
 - ❖ Lead to **undefined value** in short series
 - Hard to apply to wavelet domain

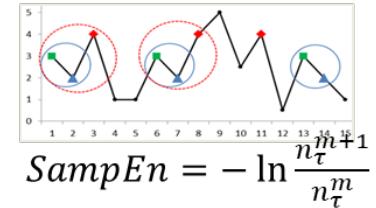
- ❖ Cons of RCMSE [2]
 - ❖ **Higher** computational time than MSE
 - ❖ Still have undefined-value problem



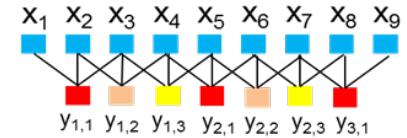
Coarse-graining of MSE



SampEn calculation of MSE



Coarse-graining of RCMSE



SampEn calculation of RCMSE

$$\text{SampEn} = -\ln \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^{\tau} n_{k,\tau}^{m+1}}{\sum_{k=1}^{\tau} n_{k,\tau}^m} \right)$$

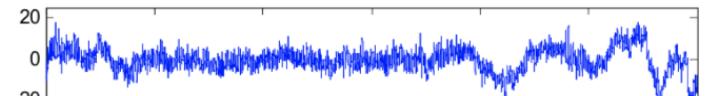


Permutation Entropy (PE)

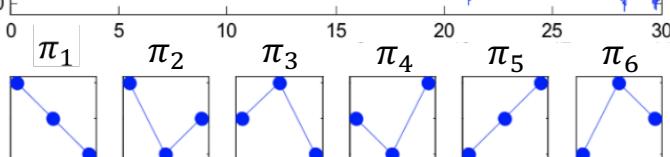
- ❖ Quantifying complexity based on ordinal analysis
 - ❖ Step 1: Calculate probability of each pattern with length m
 - ❖ Step 2: Shannon entropy calculation

$$PermEn(x, m) = - \sum_{j=1}^{m!} p(\pi_j) \ln p(\pi_j)$$

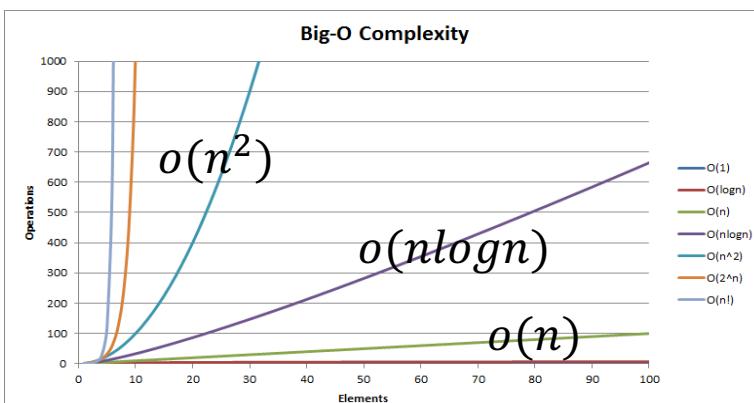
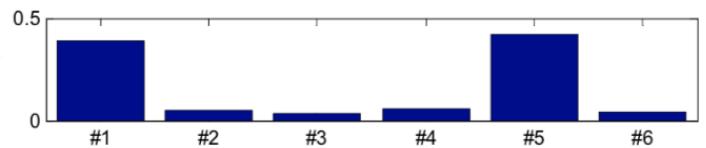
- ❖ Pros of permutation entropy
 - ❖ Computational time: $O(n)$
 - Much faster than MSE
 - ❖ No undefined value
- ❖ Cons of permutation entropy
 - ❖ Impact of equal value
 - ❖ Not consider difference between values
 - ❖ Not consider extremely high and low values



Pattern:



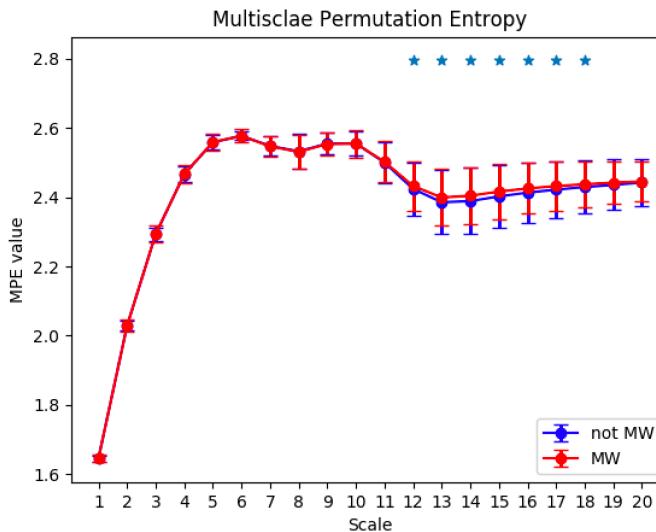
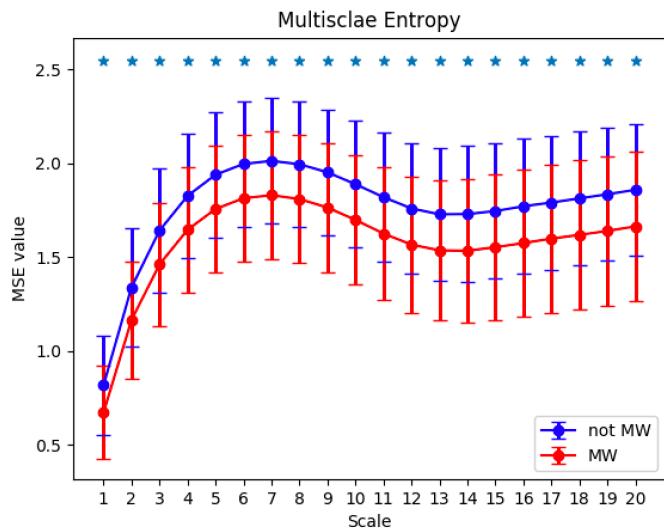
Prob. of patterns:





Comparison to MSE and MPE

- ❖ The number of features with p-value < 0.05 in Fz channel
 - ❖ Multiscale entropy: 20/20
 - ❖ Permutation entropy: 4/20



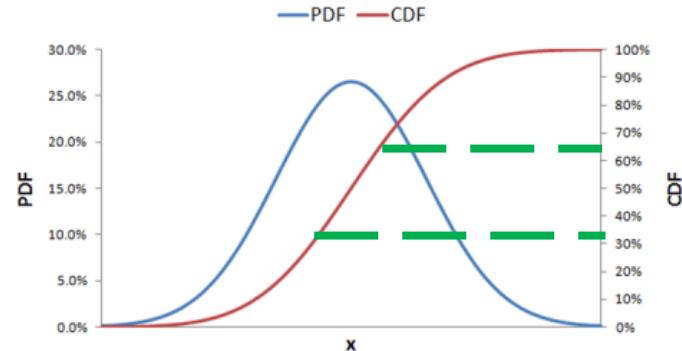
: p-value < 0.05

- ❖ Although permutation entropy have lower computation time, the performance is not good
- ❖ Entropy of mind wandering is lower than it of not mind wandering
 - ❖ EEG's complexity is higher when people concentrate on a task



Dispersion Entropy (DE)

- ❖ Quantify the regularity of time series
- ❖ Tackle limitations of SampEn, PermEn
- ❖ Calculation steps
 - ❖ Mapped sample point to **c** classes
 - Normal cumulative distribution function
 - Linearly mapping
 - ❖ Calculate dispersion pattern, if length=2
 - Pattern type: (1,1),(1,2),(1,3),(2,1),(2,2),(2,3),(3,1),(3,2),(3,3)
 - ❖ Shannon entropy calculation of patterns



Sample points: 9, 8, 1, 12, 5, -3, 1.5, 8.01, 2.99, 4, -1, 10

After class mapping: 3, 3, 1, 3, 2, 1, 1, 3, 2, 2, 1, 3

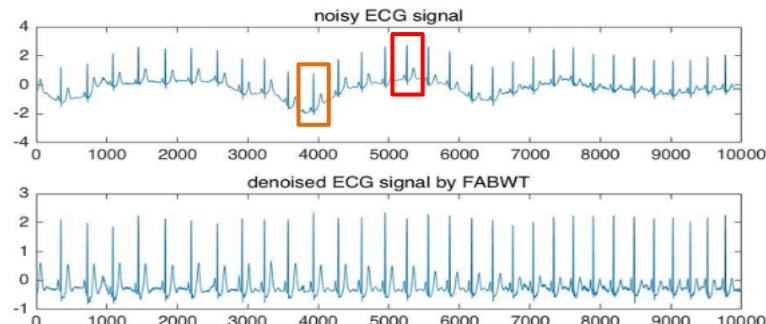
$$DE = - \sum_{n=1}^k p(pattern_n) \ln(p(pattern_n))$$

- ❖ Computational time: **O(n)**



Fluctuation-based Dispersion Entropy (FDE) [5]

- ❖ Robust to the presence of baseline wanders and trends



- ❖ When decide patterns
 - ❖ Define pattern by order (relative value)
 - ❖ For example: {1,5,1}, {4,8,4}
 - In DE: they are different pattern
 - In FDE: they are the same pattern (local de-trend)

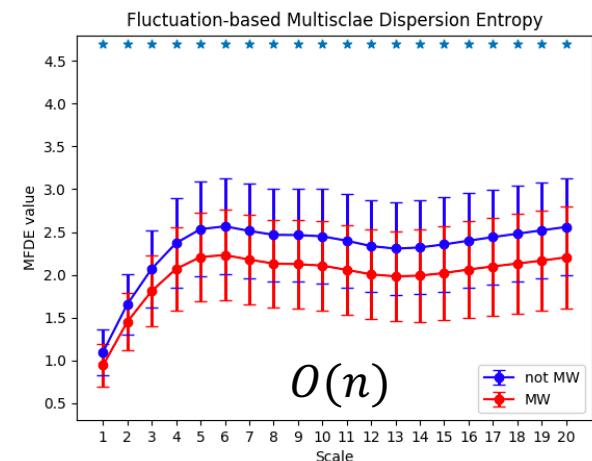
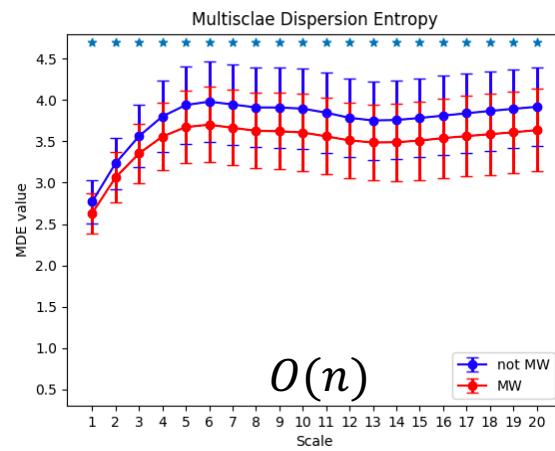
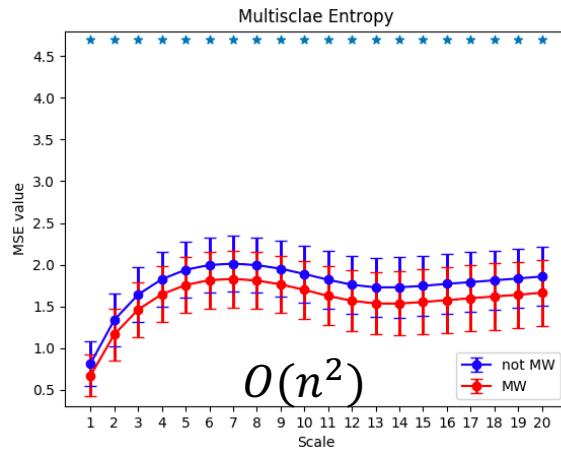
- ❖ Computational time: $O(n)$

- ❖ Solve the problem of
 - ❖ High computational time in **sample entropy calculation (MSE)**
 - ❖ Not consider relative difference between value in **permutation entropy (PE)**
 - ❖ Trend and baseline waders noise in **dispersion entropy (DE)**



MSE v.s. MDE [6] v.s. MFDE

- ❖ The number of features with p-value < 0.05 in Fz channel
 - ❖ Multiscale entropy: 20/20
 - ❖ Multiscale dispersion entropy: 20/20
 - ❖ Fluctuation-based multiscale dispersion entropy: 20/20



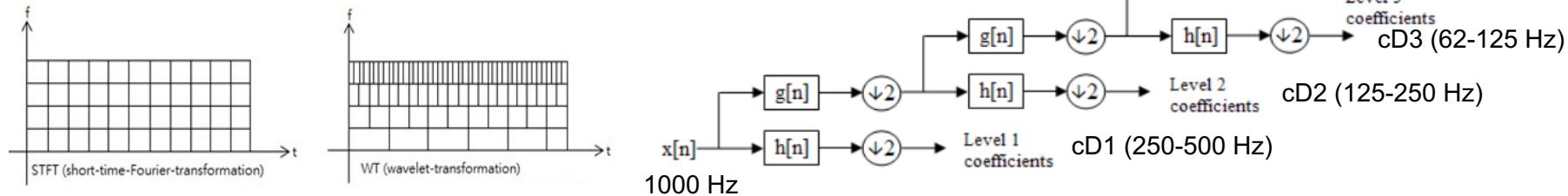
- ❖ Multiscale fluctuation-based dispersion entropy
 - ❖ Faster computational time
 - ❖ Similar performance to MSE
 - ❖ Remove local trend

* : p-value < 0.05

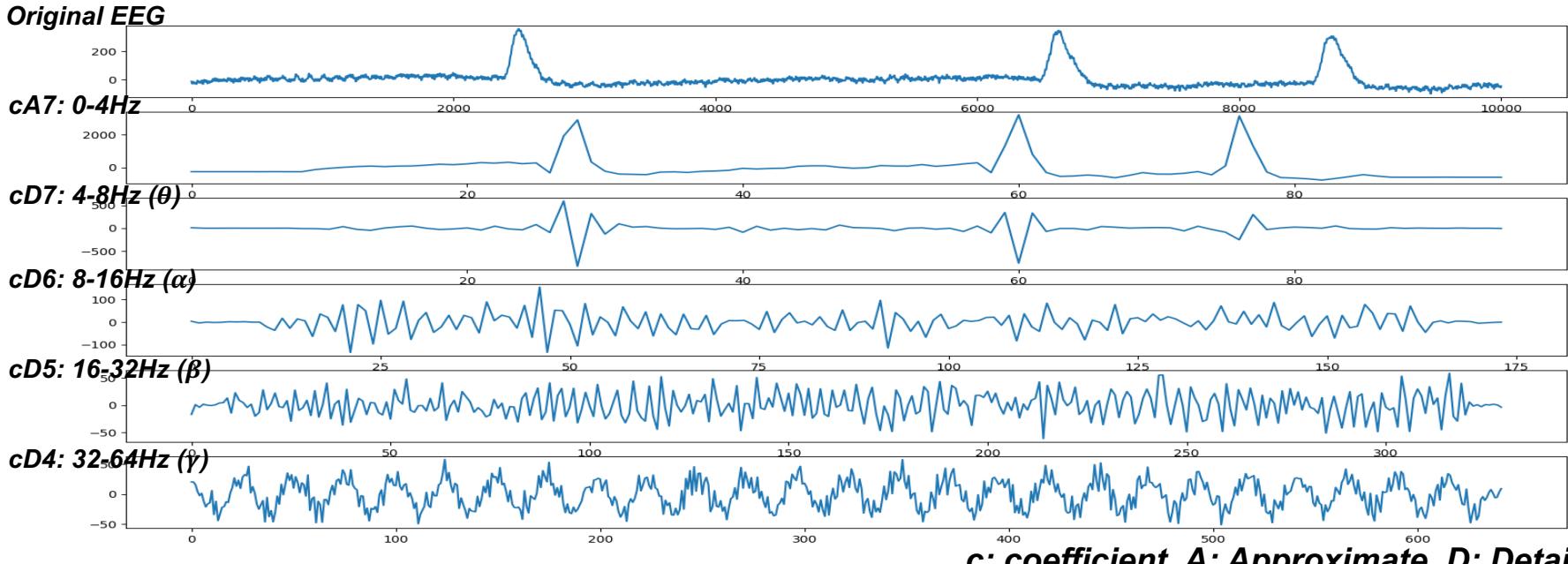


Wavelet Decomposition

- ❖ Discrete wavelet transform (DWT) can decompose the signals into frequency sub-bands



- ❖ We extract features from the coefficient in levels of filter bank.





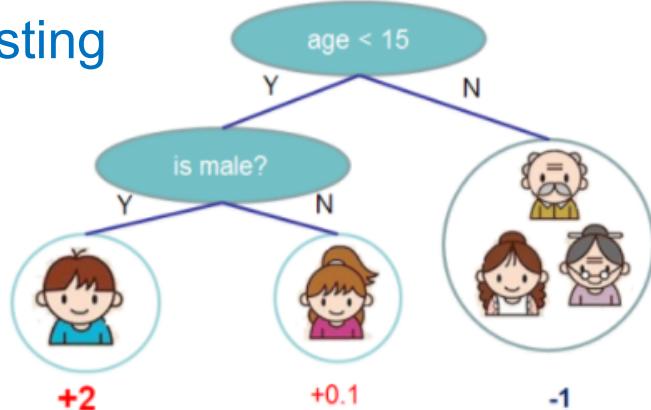
Extreme Gradient Boosting (XGBoost)

❖ XGBoost = Tree + Ensemble + Gradient Boosting

❖ Tree

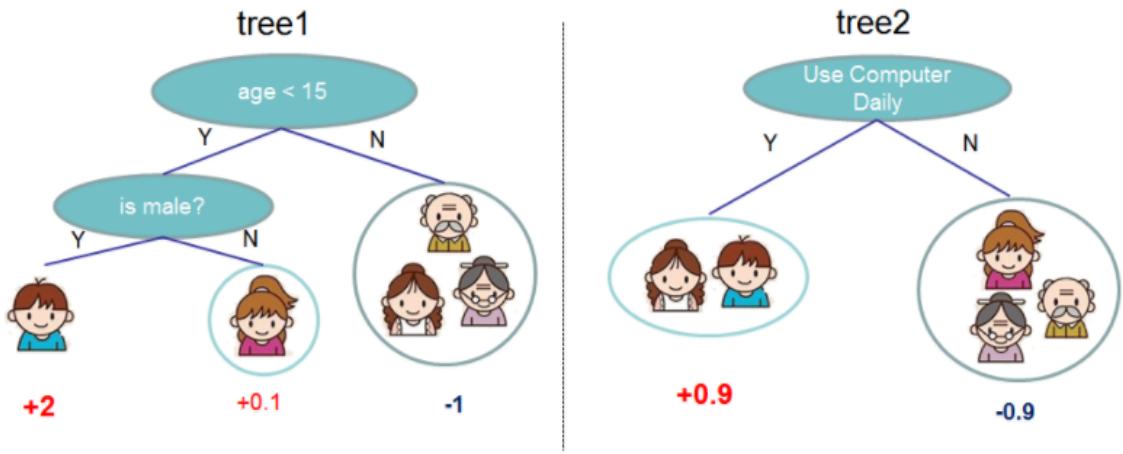
- ❖ Classification & Regression Tree (CART):
 - Both for classification and regression

$$\hat{y}_i = f(x_i)$$



❖ Ensemble

$$\hat{y}_i = \sum_{k=1}^K f_k(x_i), f_k \in F$$



$$f(\text{boy}) = 2 + 0.9 = 2.9 \quad f(\text{old man}) = -1 - 0.9 = -1.9$$



Extreme Gradient Boosting (XGBoost) (2/2)

❖ Gradient Boosting

- ❖ Use gradient descent to optimize objective function
- ❖ Objective function = training loss + regularization

$$obj^{(t)} = \sum_{i=1}^n l(y_i, \hat{y}_i^{(t-1)} + f_t(x_i)) + \Omega(f_t)$$

- $l()$: Loss function (least square, cross entropy)
- y_i : Ground truth
- $\hat{y}_i^{(t-1)}$: So far we did
- $f_t(x_i)$: Next tree we would like to optimize
- $\Omega(f)$: Regularization term

Taylor's Expansion

$$f(x + \Delta x) \approx f(x) + f'(x)\Delta x + \frac{1}{2}f''(x)\Delta x^2 \quad (1)$$

$$obj^{(t)} = \sum_{i=1}^n [l(y_i, \hat{y}_i^{(t-1)}) + g_i f_t(x_i) + \frac{1}{2} h_i f_t^2(x_i)] + \Omega(f_t) + \text{constant}$$

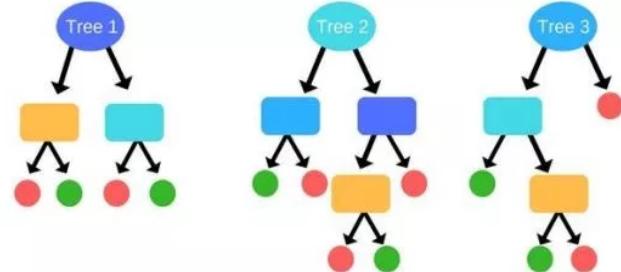
$$g_i = f'(x), h_i = f''(x) \text{ in (1)}$$



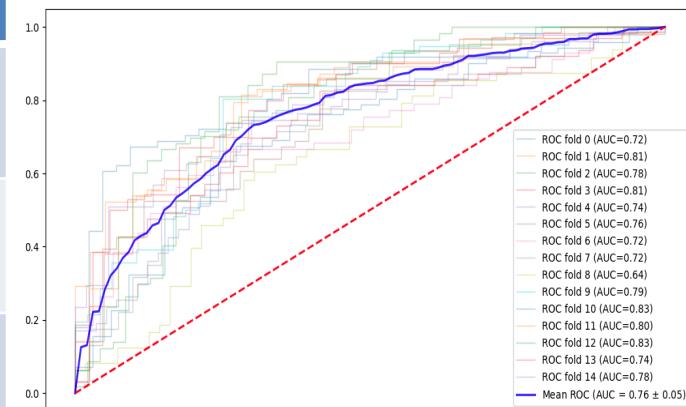
Classification Results

- ❖ Used channel: Fz, Fp1, Fp2
- ❖ Select top 15 in each scheme
 - ❖ According to the number of features used in XGBoost trees

Scheme	F1 Score (# of features)
Basic features	0.72 (28*3) 0.71 (15)
Entropy features	0.79 (395*3) 0.76 (15)
Basic + Entropy features	0.80 (423*3) 0.76 (15)



ROC curve using 15 Entropy features

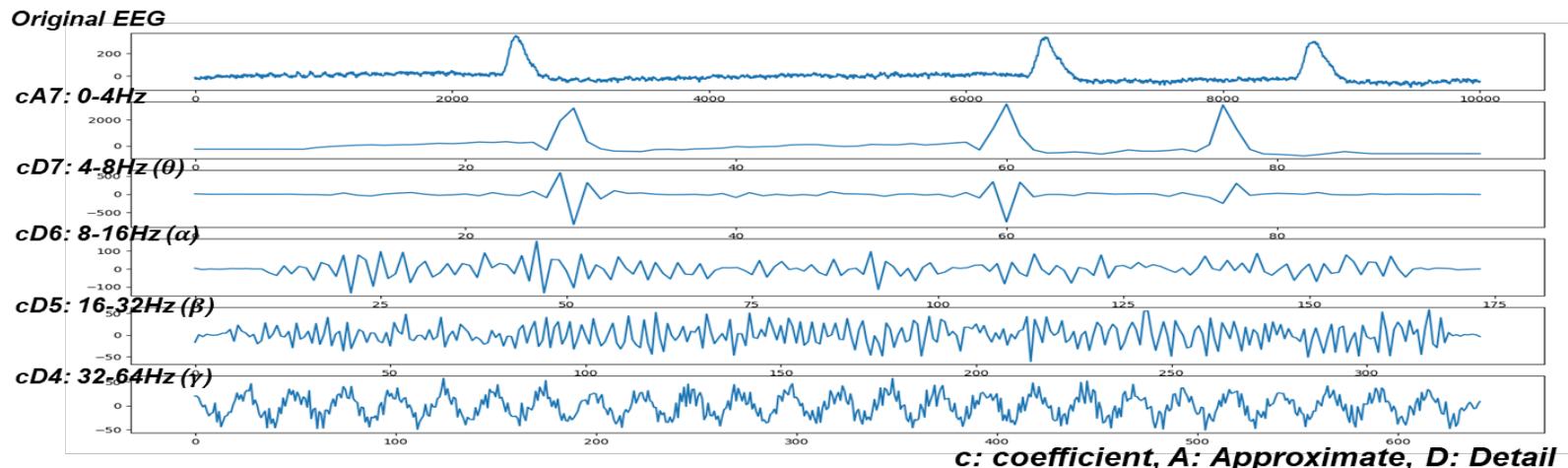
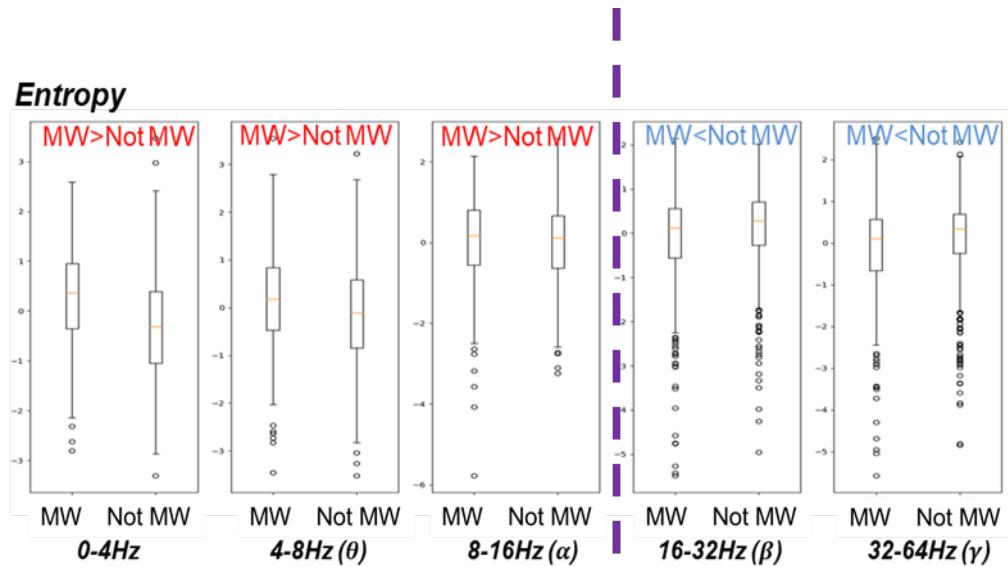


- ❖ Entropy-related features perform better than basic features set



Entropy Features in Wavelet Domain

- ❖ In STFT analysis
 - ❖ MW -> low entropy
- ❖ In wavelet analysis
 - ❖ Low frequency component
 - MW -> high entropy
 - ❖ High frequency component
 - MW -> low entropy





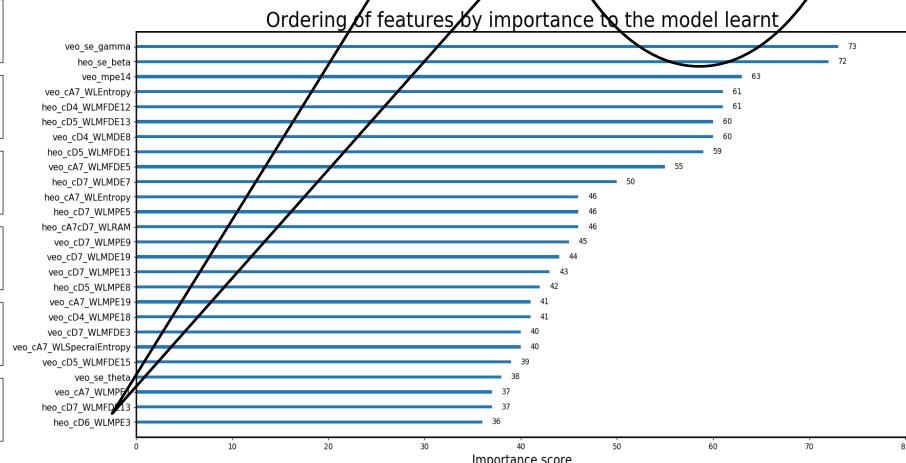
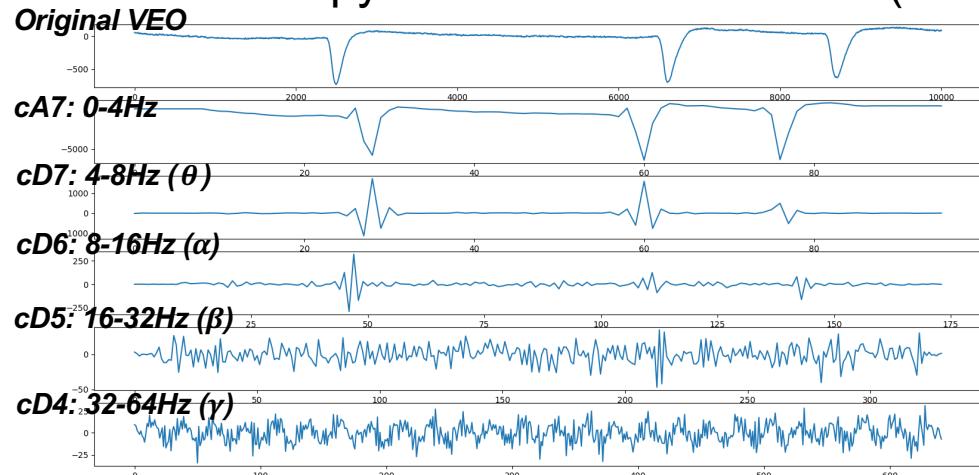
Results Using EOG Channels

- ❖ EOG can reach 0.7458 F1 score
- ❖ F1 score of VEO is 2% more than HEO

Scheme	VEO	HEO	Fusion
Basic + Entropy Features	0.7183 (15) 0.7378 (50)	0.6979 (15) 0.7122 (50)	0.7097 (15) 0.7458 (50)



- ❖ The significant features are most WL domain (21/25)
 - ❖ Especially in lower frequency (<16Hz): 14/21
 - ❖ Entropy features in WL domain (20/21)





Result of Single-Channel EEG and EOG

- ❖ Combining EEG and EOG to get the brain and eye information

Scheme	3-channel EEG	2-channel EOG	Fz	Fz + 2 EOG
Basic + Entropy features	0.6932 (15) 0.7291 (50)	0.7097 (15) 0.7458 (50)	0.6743 (15) 0.7060 (50)	0.7309 (15) 0.7535 (50)

- ❖ Top 50 features selected from Fz and 2 EOG

Channel	# of basic features	# of entropy features	Total # of features
Fz	1	17	18
VEO	0	16	16
HEO	2	14	16

- ❖ The importance of each channel are almost equal
- ❖ Entropy features are dominant



Conclusion

- ❖ To the best of our knowledge, we first apply entropy features on MW detection task
 - ❖ When mind wandering, the entropy of EEG is lower
- ❖ Find the substitution (DE) for MSE solve the problem of
 - ❖ High computational time
 - ❖ Undefined value
- ❖ Apply entropy feature on wavelet domain
 - ❖ Low-frequency component have better performance
- ❖ EOG signals are related to mind wandering
 - ❖ Vertical EOG perform better than horizontal EOG → eye blink is vertical direction
- ❖ The best result is achieved by combining single-channel EEG and EOG