## Supplementary File for Learning Dynamic Coupling of Neural Oscillations for Motor Imagery Classification

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This supplementary file consists of the following parts:

- 1) Notations and Operations
- 2) Optimization of CFC-based Tensor Decomposition

## I. NOTATIONS AND OPERATIONS

Tensors are denoted by boldface Euler script letters. For example,  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times ... \times I_D}$  is a D-order (or mode) tensor, where  $I_d(d \in \{1,...,D\})$  is the size of the mode-d. The element  $(i_1,i_2,...,i_d)$  of  $\mathcal{X}$  is represented by  $x_{i_1,i_2,...,i_d}$ . Matrices are denoted by boldface capital letters, e.g.,  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times L}$ . A vector is denoted by boldface lowercase letters, e.g.,  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1}$ . The element  $(i_1)$  of  $\mathbf{x}$  is denoted by  $x_{i_1}$ 

The mode-d product of a tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times ... \times I_D}$  with a vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_d}$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{X} \times_d \mathbf{v}$  and is of size  $I_1 \times ... \times I_{d-1} \times I_{d+1} \times ... \times I_D$ . The element  $(i_1, ..., i_{d-1}, i_{d+1}, ..., i_D)$  of  $\mathcal{X} \times_d \mathbf{v}$  is given by

$$(\mathcal{X} \times_d \mathbf{v})_{i_1,\dots,i_{d-1},i_{d+1},\dots,i_D} = \sum_{i_d=1}^{I_d} x_{i_1,i_2,\dots,i_D} v_{i_d}$$
(1)

## II. OPTIMIZATION OF CFC-BASED TENSOR DECOMPOSITION (CTD)

This section describes the optimized detail for the proposed CFC-based Tensor Decomposition (CTD) used in CFCNet. To ensure that the extractive features are discriminative, we employ the CSP technique to find the parameters of s and B. To be more specific, the optimization objective of CTD is to maximize the following power ratios for class 1 and class 2:

$$\max_{\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{B}} \frac{E_{\mathbf{X} \in C_1}[\alpha(\mathbf{X}; \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{B})]}{E_{\mathbf{X} \in C_2}[\alpha(\mathbf{X}; \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{B})] + E_{\mathbf{X} \in C_1}[\alpha(\mathbf{X}; \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{B})]}$$
(2)

Here,  $C_y$  is the set in training data, which contains the test belonging to class  $y \in \{1, 2\}$ ;  $\alpha(\mathcal{X}; s, \mathbf{B}) = z^T z$  denotes the power calculated from the projection signal z, i.e.,  $\alpha(\mathcal{X}; s, \mathbf{B}) = z^T z$ ; and  $E_{\mathcal{X} \in C_y}[\cdot]$  denotes the expected covariance matrix over  $C_y$ . Since it is difficult to determine s and s simultaneously, a standard alternating optimization strategy is adopted in the optimization process.

While **B** is fixed,  $\alpha(\mathcal{X}; s, \mathbf{B})$  can be denoted by  $s^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}^{\mathrm{T}}s$ , where  $\mathbf{G} = \mathcal{X} \times_2 [\![\mathbf{B}^{\mathrm{T}}]\!] \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times L}$ . Let  $cov(\mathbf{A}, y)$  be the function that computes the average covariance matrix for class y. Then it follows that  $E_{\mathcal{X} \in C_1}[\alpha(\mathcal{X}; s, \mathbf{B})] = s^{\mathrm{T}}cov(\mathbf{G}, 1)s$  and  $E_{\mathcal{X} \in C_2}[\alpha(\mathcal{X}; s, \mathbf{B})] = s^{\mathrm{T}}cov(\mathbf{G}, 2)s$ . Thus, (2) can be re-expressed as a Rayleigh quotient maximization problem.

$$\max_{\mathbf{s}_m} J(\mathbf{s}_m | \mathbf{B}_m) = \frac{\mathbf{s}_m^{\mathrm{T}} cov(\mathbf{G}_m, d) \mathbf{s}_m}{\mathbf{s}_m^{\mathrm{T}} [cov(\mathbf{G}_m, 1) + cov(\mathbf{G}_m, 2)] \mathbf{s}_m}$$
(3)

Problem (3) can be solved by generalized eigenvalue decomposition:

$$cov(\mathbf{G}_m, 1)s_m = \lambda[cov(\mathbf{G}_m, 1) + cov(\mathbf{G}_m, 2)]s_m \tag{4}$$

The spatial factor s is given by the eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda$ . The largest or smallest eigenvalues mean discriminability of the eigenvectors. We set  $M_s$  as an even number 2r. And then half of the factors,  $\{s_1, s_2, ..., s_r\}$ , are chosen as the eigenvectors corresponding to the largest r eigenvalues for class 1, and the other factors,  $\{s_{r+1}, s_{r+2}, ..., s_{2r}\}$  are the eigenvectors corresponding to the smallest r eigenvalues for class 2.

Next, we find  $\{\mathbf{B}_m,\ m=1,2,...,M\}$  assuming that  $\{s_m,m=1,2,...,M\}$  is given. Let  $\boldsymbol{\beta}_m=vec(\mathbf{B}_m)\in\mathbb{R}^{KN}$ , where  $vec(\mathbf{B}_m)$  denotes the vectorization operation that sequentially concatenates the column vectors of  $\mathbf{B}_m$  to form a new vector. Then it follows that  $\alpha(\boldsymbol{\mathcal{X}};s_m,\mathbf{B}_m)=\boldsymbol{\beta}_m^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{Q}_m\mathbf{Q}_m^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\beta}_m$ , where the matrix  $\mathbf{Q}_m=[s_{m,1}\mathbf{X}_1^{\mathrm{T}}\ s_{m,2}\mathbf{X}_2^{\mathrm{T}}\ ...\ s_{m,K}\mathbf{X}_K^{\mathrm{T}}]^{\mathrm{T}}\in\mathbb{R}^{(KN)\times L}$ , with  $s_{m,k}$  being the k-th element of  $s_m$ . Similarly, the optimization problem can be written as

$$\max_{\mathbf{B}_m} J(\mathbf{B}_m | \mathbf{s}_m) = \frac{\boldsymbol{\beta}_m^{\mathrm{T}} cov(\mathbf{Q}_m, 1) \boldsymbol{\beta}_m}{\boldsymbol{\beta}_m^{\mathrm{T}} [cov(\mathbf{Q}_m, 1) + cov(\mathbf{Q}_m, 2)] \boldsymbol{\beta}_m}$$
(5)

## Algorithm 1 Optimization details for CTD

**Input:** The training set  $\{\mathbf{X}_{i\text{-th}} \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times L}, i = 1, 2, ..., I\}$  with their labels  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{I}$ , the maximum number of iterations T and a small value  $\varepsilon$  for testing convergence, and the number of spatial-spectral factors 2r.

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Output: \{(s_m, \mathbf{B}_m), m=1,2,...,M\} (note that M=2r). calculate \mathcal{X}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times N \times L} for 1 \leq i \leq I; calculate average covariance: cov(\mathbf{R},1) and cov(\mathbf{R},2); calculate \{w_1, w_2, ..., w_{2r}\} according to (8); initialize \{\mathbf{B}_m, m=1,2,...,2r\} according to (9); for 1 \leq t \leq T do calculate cov(\mathbf{G}_m,1) and cov(\mathbf{G}_m,2); obtain \{s_m^{(t)}, m=1,2,...,2r\} by solving (3); calculate cov(\mathbf{Q}_m,1) and cov(\mathbf{Q}_m,2); obtain \{b_{m,k}^{(t)}, k=1,2,...,K, \ m=1,2,...,2r\} by solving (5) and (6); calculate \{\mathbf{B}_m^{(t)}, m=1,2,...,2r\} according to (9); if t=T or J(s_m^{(t)}|\mathbf{B}_m^{(t-1)}) - J(\mathbf{B}_m^{(t)}|s_m^{(t)}) \leq \varepsilon for all m break; end for return \{(s_m^{(t)}, \mathbf{B}_m^{(t)}), m=1,2,...,M\}
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In addition, problem (5) is solved by generalized eigenvalue decomposition.  $\beta_m$  is chosen as the eigenvector corresponding to the largest eigenvalue for m within the range of 1 to r, and the eigenvector corresponding to the smallest eigenvalue for m within the range of r+1 to 2r. The k-th column of  $\mathbf{B}_m$ ,  $\mathbf{b}_{m,k}$ , can be restored from  $\beta_m$  by

$$\mathbf{b}_{m,k} = [\beta_{m,p} \ \beta_{m,p+1} \ \dots \ \beta_{m,p+N-1}]^{\mathrm{T}},$$

$$k = 1, 2, \dots, K, \ m = 1, 2, \dots, 2r$$
(6)

where p = (k-1)N + 1, and  $\beta_{m,p}$  is the p-th element of  $\beta_m$ .

To facilitate fast convergence, we initialize  $\{\mathbf{B}_m, m=1,2,...,M\}$  with effective initial values. Let us define a coupling factor  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{KN}$  as

$$\boldsymbol{w} = \boldsymbol{s} \odot vec(\mathbf{B}) = [s_1 \boldsymbol{b}_1^{\mathrm{T}} \ s_2 \boldsymbol{b}_2^{\mathrm{T}} \ \dots \ s_K \boldsymbol{b}_K^{\mathrm{T}}]^{\mathrm{T}}$$
(7)

where  $\odot$  denotes the Khatri–Rao product of two vectors. It is easy to find  $\alpha(\mathcal{X}; s, \mathbf{B}) = \mathbf{w}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{R}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{w}$ , where  $\mathbf{R} = [\mathbf{X}_1; \ \mathbf{X}_2; ...; \ \mathbf{X}_K] \in \mathbb{R}^{(KN) \times L}$ . Thus, (2) can be re-expressed as

$$\max_{\boldsymbol{w}} J(\boldsymbol{w}) = \frac{\boldsymbol{w}^{\mathrm{T}} cov(\mathbf{R}, 1) \boldsymbol{w}}{\boldsymbol{w}^{\mathrm{T}} [cov(\mathbf{R}, 1) + cov(\mathbf{R}, 2)] \boldsymbol{w}}$$
(8)

Problem (8) also can be solved by generalized eigenvalue decomposition:  $\gamma[cov(\mathbf{R},1) + cov(\mathbf{R},2)]\boldsymbol{w}$ . Half of the factors,  $\{\boldsymbol{w}_1,\boldsymbol{w}_2,...,\boldsymbol{w}_r\}$ , are chosen as eigenvectors corresponding to the largest r eigenvalues for class 1, and the others are eigenvectors corresponding to the smallest r eigenvalues for class 2. The initial values of  $\mathbf{B}_m$  can be estimated from  $\boldsymbol{w}_m$ , as follows:

$$\mathbf{b}_{m,k} = [w_{m,p} \ w_{m,p+1} \dots w_{m,p+N-1}]^{\mathrm{T}}/h_p,$$

$$k = 1, 2, \dots, K, \ m = 1, 2, \dots, 2r$$
(9)

where p=(k-1)N+1;  $w_{m,p}$  is the p-th element of  $\boldsymbol{w}_m$ ; and  $h_p=\sqrt{(w_{m,p})^2+(w_{m,p+1})^2+...+(w_{m,p+N-1})^2}$ . In this way,  $\boldsymbol{b}_{m,k}$  is assumed to be unit  $l_2$ -norm. The pseudo-code of the CTD finding  $\{(\boldsymbol{s}_m,\mathbf{B}_m),m=1,2,...,M\}$  is given in **Algorithm 1**. Similarly to CSP, CTD can easily be extended to multi-class applications, by adopting strategies, such as Pair-Wise and One-Versus-Rest.

The proposed CTD method finds spatial-spectral factors alternatively by solving a single Rayleigh quotient maximization objective function, where we never decrease the value of cost function between two successive iterations. The convergence of the alternating optimization process is proved in *Theorem* 1.

Theorem 1: The alternating optimization process for CTD guarantees monotonic convergence:

$$\sigma \leq J(\boldsymbol{s}_{m}^{(1)}|\mathbf{B}_{m}^{(0)}) \leq J(\mathbf{B}_{m}^{(1)}|\boldsymbol{s}_{m}^{(1)}) \leq J(\boldsymbol{s}_{m}^{(2)}|\mathbf{B}_{m}^{(1)}) \leq \dots$$

$$\leq J(\boldsymbol{s}_{m}^{(t)}|\mathbf{B}_{m}^{(t-1)}) \leq J(\mathbf{B}_{m}^{(t)}|\boldsymbol{s}_{m}^{(t)}) < 1$$
(10)

where  $\sigma$  is a limiting value in the  $\mathbb{R}^+$  space  $(0 < \sigma < 1)$ , and  $J(\mathbf{B}_m^{(t)}|\mathbf{s}_m^{(t)})$  is calculated with the given  $\mathbf{s}_m^{(t)}$  in the t-th  $(t \ge 1)$ 

iteration.  $\mathbf{B}_{m}^{(0)}$  is initialized according to (9).

Proof: Let  $\sigma_m = J(w_m)$  for m = 1, 2, ..., 2r, and it is easy to know that  $0 < \sigma_m < 1$ . Since  $s_m^{(1)}$  is calculated by arg maximizing  $J(s_m|\mathbf{B}_m)$  with the given  $\mathbf{B}_m^{(0)}$ , we have the following inequality:  $\sigma \le J(s_m^{(1)}|\mathbf{B}_m^{(0)})$ , where  $\sigma = \min(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, ..., \sigma_{2r})$ . According to (5), we have  $J(\mathbf{B}_m^{(t)}|s_m^{(t)}) < 1$ . In addition, because  $s_m^{(t)}$  maximizes  $J(s_m^{(t)}|\mathbf{B}_m^{(t-1)})$  with fixed  $\mathbf{B}_m^{(t-1)}$  and then  $\mathbf{B}_m^{(t)}$  maximizes  $J(\mathbf{B}_m^{(t)}|s_m^{(t)})$  with calculated  $s_m^{(t)}$ , the relationship  $J(\mathbf{B}_m^{(t-1)}|s_m^{(t-1)}) \le J(s_m^{(t)}|\mathbf{B}_m^{(t-1)}) \le J(\mathbf{B}_m^{(t)}|s_m^{(t)})$  is given. Hence, we finally obtain the following relationship:  $\sigma \le J(s_m^{(t)}|\mathbf{B}_m^{(0)}) \le J(\mathbf{B}_m^{(t)}|s_m^{(t)}) \le ... \le J(s_m^{(t)}|\mathbf{B}_m^{(t-1)}) \le J(\mathbf{B}_m^{(t)}|s_m^{(t)}) < 1$ .