

Software Requirements Specification for Live Neuro: Live Neuro

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Revision History

Date	Version	Notes
Feb 3, 2025	1.0	Initial Draft

1 Reference Material

This section records information for easy reference.

1.1 Table of Units

Throughout this document SI (Système International d’Unités) is employed as the unit system. In addition to the basic units, several derived units are used as described below. For each unit, the symbol is given followed by a description of the unit and the SI name.

symbol	unit	SI
t	time	second
r	location	meter
e	sound	decibel

1.2 Table of Symbols

The table that follows summarizes the symbols used in this document along with their units. The choice of symbols was made to be consistent with the heat transfer literature and with existing documentation for solar water heating systems. The symbols are listed in alphabetical order.

symbol	unit	description
e_t	db	speech envelope
m	integer	total number of dipole sources
j	nAm	Dipole Moment
v_t	nAm	brain background activities

[Use your problems actual symbols. The si package is a good idea to use for units. —TPLT]

1.3 Abbreviations and Acronyms

symbol	description
A	Assumption
DD	Data Definition
GD	General Definition
GS	Goal Statement
IM	Instance Model
LC	Likely Change
PS	Physical System Description
R	Requirement
SRS	Software Requirements Specification
Live Neuro	interactive data visualization tool linking multiple data plots together
TM	Theoretical Model

1.4 Mathematical Notation

- Goal Statement
- Instance Models
- Requirements
- Introduction
- Specific System Description

2 Introduction

Neuron data based on brain activity is often complex and multi-sourced. To clearly describe the activity of different neurons, multidimensional data is typically required. An interactive data visualization tool is particularly useful for effectively presenting these data, allowing users to explore and understand the relationships and transformations between different data points.

2.1 Purpose of Document

The following section provides an overview of the Software Requirements Specification (SRS) for the interactive neural data visualization tool. The developed program will be referred to as "Live Neuro," based on the original, manually created version. This section explains the purpose of this document, the scope of the requirements, the characteristics of the intended reader, and the organization of the document.

2.2 Scope of Requirements

The scope of requirements include the whole stimuli-response process neural data and the interactive data visualization

2.3 Characteristics of Intended Reader

Reviewers of this documentation should have an undergraduate-level understanding of mathematics and high school level understanding of neuro science. The users of Live Neuro can have a lower level of expertise, as explained in (Section [3.2](#))

2.4 Organization of Document

The organization of this document follows the template for an SRS for scientific computing software proposed by koothoor2013, smithLai2005, smithEtAl2007, and smithKoothoor2016. The presentation follows the standard pattern of presenting goals, theories, definitions, and assumptions. For readers that would like a more bottom up approach, they can start reading the instance models and trace back to find any additional information they require.

3 General System Description

This section provides general information about the system. It identifies the interfaces between the system and its environment, describes the user characteristics and lists the system constraints.

3.1 System Context

Fig1 shows the system context. A circle represents an external entity outside the software, the user in this case. A rectangle represents the software system itself (Live Neuro). Arrows are used to show the data flow

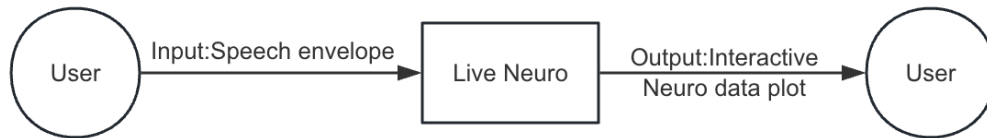


Figure 1: System Context

- User Responsibilities:
 - Provide the input data to the system, ensuring no errors in the data entry
 - Take care that consistent units are used for input variables
- Live Neuro Responsibilities:

- Detect data type mismatch, such as a string of characters instead of a floating point number
- Determine if the inputs satisfy the required software constraints
- Calculate the required outputs

3.2 User Characteristics

The end user of Live Neuro should have an understanding of undergraduate mathematics and computer science

3.3 System Constraints

There are no system constraints.

4 Specific System Description

This section first presents the problem description, which gives a high-level view of the problem to be solved. This is followed by the solution characteristics specification, which presents the assumptions, theories, and definitions that are used.

4.1 Problem Description

Live Neuro is intended to solve the problem of interactive neuro data visualization

4.1.1 Terminology and Definitions

This subsection provides a list of terms that are used in the subsequent sections and their meaning, with the purpose of reducing ambiguity and making it easier to correctly understand the requirements:

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4.1.2 Physical System Description

The physical system of Live Neuro, as shown in Figure2, includes the following elements:

PS: Current Dipoles can be used to measure the intensity of neuronal activity

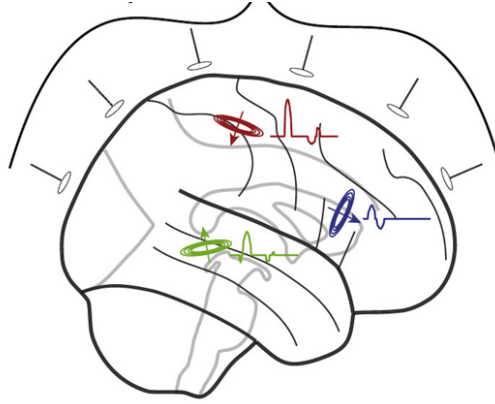


Figure 2: Current Dipoles placed on the scalp

4.1.3 Goal Statements

Given the Acoustic Stimuli and Semantics Stimuli, the goal statements are:

GS1: Predicted MEG/EEG data

GS2: Interactive neural data visualization plots

4.2 Solution Characteristics Specification

4.2.1 Assumptions

This section simplifies the original problem and helps in developing the theoretical model by filling in the missing information for the physical system. The numbers given in the square brackets refer to the theoretical model [TM], general definition [GD], data definition [DD], instance model [IM], or likely change [LC], in which the respective assumption is used.

A1: The Stimulus data is continuous

A2: The tester is focused.

A3: The neuron data is complete

A4: The neuron data has no noise or noise has been removed

4.2.2 Theoretical Models

This section focuses on the general equations and laws that Live Neuro is based on.

RefName: TM:NSM

Label: Neural stimulation-response model

Equation: $\mathbf{j}_{m,t,i} = f_i(e_t, e_{t-1}, \dots, e_1) + v_{m,t,i}$

Description: The above equation gives Neural stimulation-response model, where $\mathbf{j}_{m,t,i}$ is The dipole current \mathbf{j} of source m , at time t , in the i -th direction. $v_{m,t,i}$ is the background activities of source m , at time t , in the i -th direction. $f_i(e_t, e_{t-1}, \dots, e_1)$ is the stimulus-driven component. e_t is the speech envelop driven by acoustic and semantics stimuli

Notes: None.

Source: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroimage.2020.116528>

Ref. By: GD??

Preconditions for TM:NSM: None

Derivation for TM:NSM: Not Applicable

4.2.3 General Definitions

This section collects the laws and equations that will be used in building the instance models.

Number	GD1
Label	Cortical Dipole Moment
SI Units	nAm
Equation	$f_i(e_t, e_{t-1}, \dots, e_1) = \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} \tau_{m,i,l} e_{t-l} = (\boldsymbol{\tau}_{m,i})^\top \mathbf{e}_t, i \in \{R, A, S\},$
Description	$\tau_{m,i}$ can be thought of as a TRF corresponding to the activity of dipole source m along the coordinate axis determined by i. The length of the lter L is typically determined by a priori assumptions on the effective integration window of the underlying neural process.
Source	https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroimage.2020.116528
Ref. By	DD1, DD??

4.2.4 Data Definitions

This section collects and defines all the data needed to build the instance models. The dimension of each quantity is also given.

Number	DD1
Label	coefficient of finite impulse response
Symbol	$\tau_{m,i}$
SI Units	Float
Equation	$\tau_{m,i} := [\tau_{m,i,0}, \tau_{m,i,1} \dots, \tau_{m,i,L-1}]^\top$
Description	$\tau_{m,i}$ can be thought of as a TRF corresponding to the activity of dipole source m along the coordinate axis determined by i.
Sources	https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroimage.2020.116528
Ref. By	IM1

4.2.5 Instance Models

This section transforms the problem defined in Section 4.1 into one which is expressed in mathematical terms. It uses concrete symbols defined in Section 4.2.4 to replace the abstract symbols in the models identified in Sections 4.2.2 and 4.2.3.

Number	IM1
Label	get neural dipole current
Input	$e_3, e_2, e_1, v_{m,3,R}$
Output	$j_{m,3,R}$
Description	$j_{m,3,R} = f_R(e_3, e_2, e_1) + v_{m,3,R} j_{m,3,R}$ donates the m^{th} neural current dipole of time 3 in the Right direction. $f_R(e_3, e_2, e_1)$ donates the predicted neural current dipole of time 3 in the Right direction. $v_{m,3,R}$ donates the background activities of m^{th} neural current dipole of time 3 in the Right direction
Sources	Citation here
Ref. By	IM??

4.2.6 Input Data Constraints

Table 1 shows the data constraints on the input output variables. The column for physical constraints gives the physical limitations on the range of values that can be taken by the variable. The column for software constraints restricts the range of inputs to reasonable values. The software constraints will be helpful in the design stage for picking suitable algorithms. The constraints are conservative, to give the user of the model the flexibility to experiment

with unusual situations. The column of typical values is intended to provide a feel for a common scenario. The uncertainty column provides an estimate of the confidence with which the physical quantities can be measured. This information would be part of the input if one were performing an uncertainty quantification exercise.

The specification parameters in Table 1 are listed in Table 2.

Table 1: Input Variables

Var	Physical Constraints	Software Constraints	Typical Value	Uncertainty
e_t	$e_t > 0$	$e_t \leq e_{t\max}$	20 dB	80%
$v_{m,t}$	$v_{m,t} > 0$	$v_{m,t} \leq v_{m,t\max}$	11nAm	10%

(*) [you might need to add some notes or clarifications —TPLT]

Table 2: Specification Parameter Values

Var	Value
$e_{t\max}$	60 dB
$v_{m,t\max}$	20 nAm

5 Requirements

This section provides the functional requirements, the business tasks that the software is expected to complete, and the nonfunctional requirements, the qualities that the software is expected to exhibit.

5.1 Functional Requirements

- R1: Acoustic stimuli must be continuous
- R2: Acoustic stimuli can be converted to speech envelope
- R3: Calculation result of TRF model has no error
- R4: the interactive data plots generated by Live Neuro should be exactly identical to original plots
- R5: the output of LiveNeuro should be interactive between different plots

5.2 Nonfunctional Requirements

- NFR1: The generated data charts should accurately reflect the specifics of the data and meet the standards of scientific research.
- NFR2: Users with knowledge of neuro science and computer science, as described in Section 3.2, should be able to successfully use the software with minimal training.
- NFR3: The effort required to make any of the likely changes listed for Live Neuro should be less than 20% of the original development time.
- NFR4: LiveNeuro shall run on Linus, Windows 10+ and MacOS operating system

6 Likely Changes

- LC1: The interactive method may be modified or added according to the real needs
- LC2: The supported plotting function may increase

7 Unlikely Changes

- LC3: The underlying stimuli-response model(TRF) will not change.

8 Traceability Matrices and Graphs

The purpose of the traceability matrices is to provide easy references on what has to be additionally modified if a certain component is changed. Every time a component is changed, the items in the column of that component that are marked with an “X” may have to be modified as well. Table 4 shows the dependencies of theoretical models, general definitions, data definitions, and instance models with each other. Table ?? shows the dependencies of instance models, requirements, and data constraints on each other. Table ?? shows the dependencies of theoretical models, general definitions, data definitions, instance models, and likely changes on the assumptions.

	A1	A2	A3	A4	TM4.2.2	DD1	IM1
A1							
A2							
A3							
A4							
TM4.2.2	X	X	X	X			
DD1	X	X			X		
IM1	X	X	X	X	X	X	

Table 3: Traceability Matrix Showing the Connections Between Items of Different Sections

	IM1	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5
IM1		X	X	X	X	
R1	X		X			
R2	X	X		X		
R3	X		X		X	
R4	X			X		
R5						

Table 4: Traceability Matrix Showing the Connections Between Items of Different Sections

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