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Investigating the effects of overlap and event durations on neural responses

Master Thesis - Intro Talk

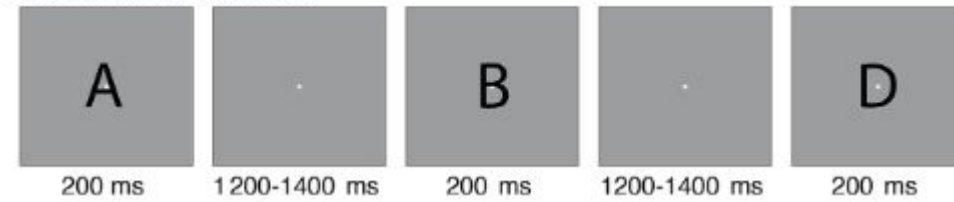
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I. Experiment: P300

P300 EXPERIMENT

ERP CORE P3 oddball paradigm:

E. Active Visual Oddball P3



→ larger positive voltage for targets (rare)

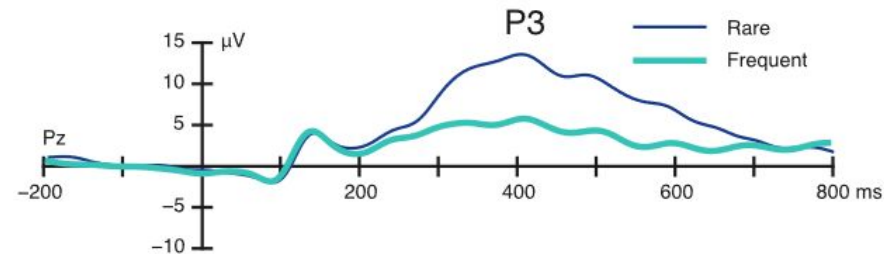
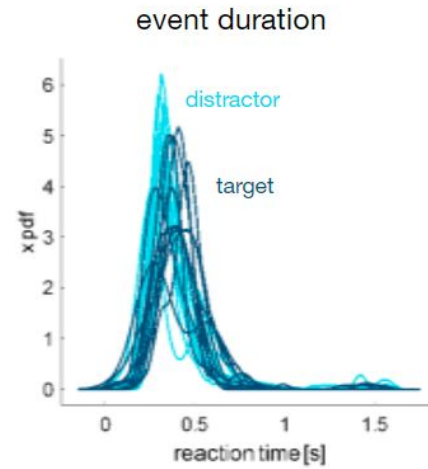


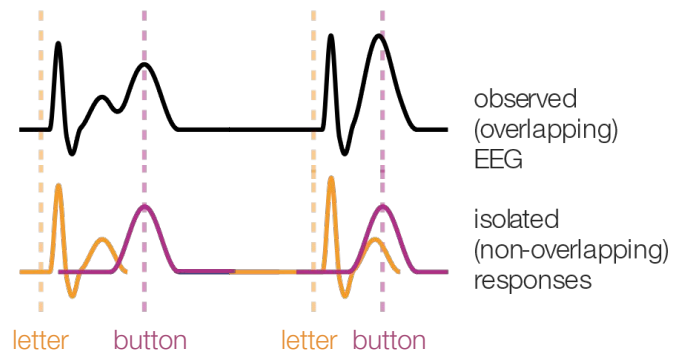
Fig. 2. Grand average parent ERP waveforms (left)

(Kappenman et al., 2021)

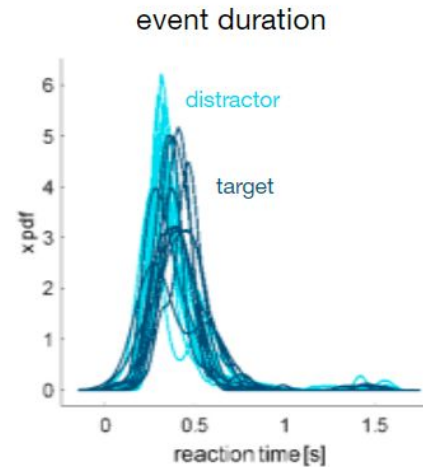
Reaction time:



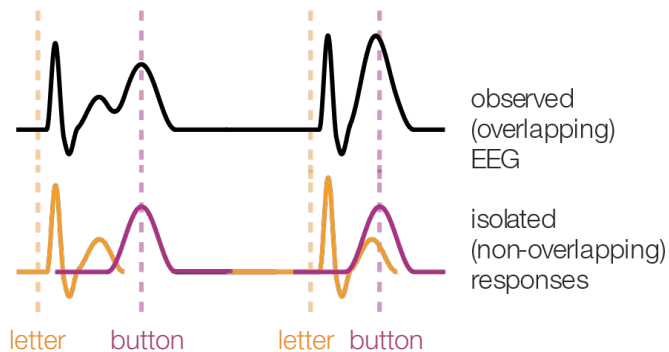
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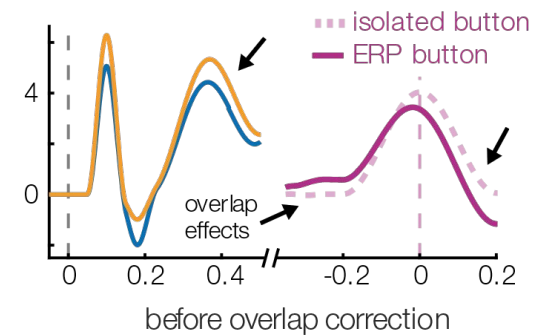
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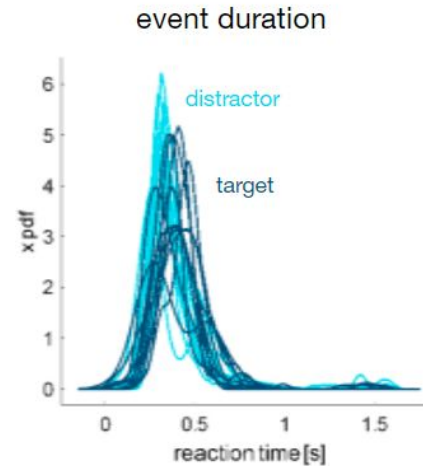
Variation in reaction time induces varying overlap:



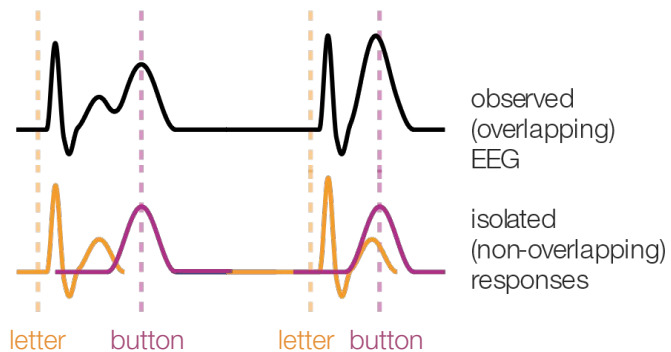
→ averaging:



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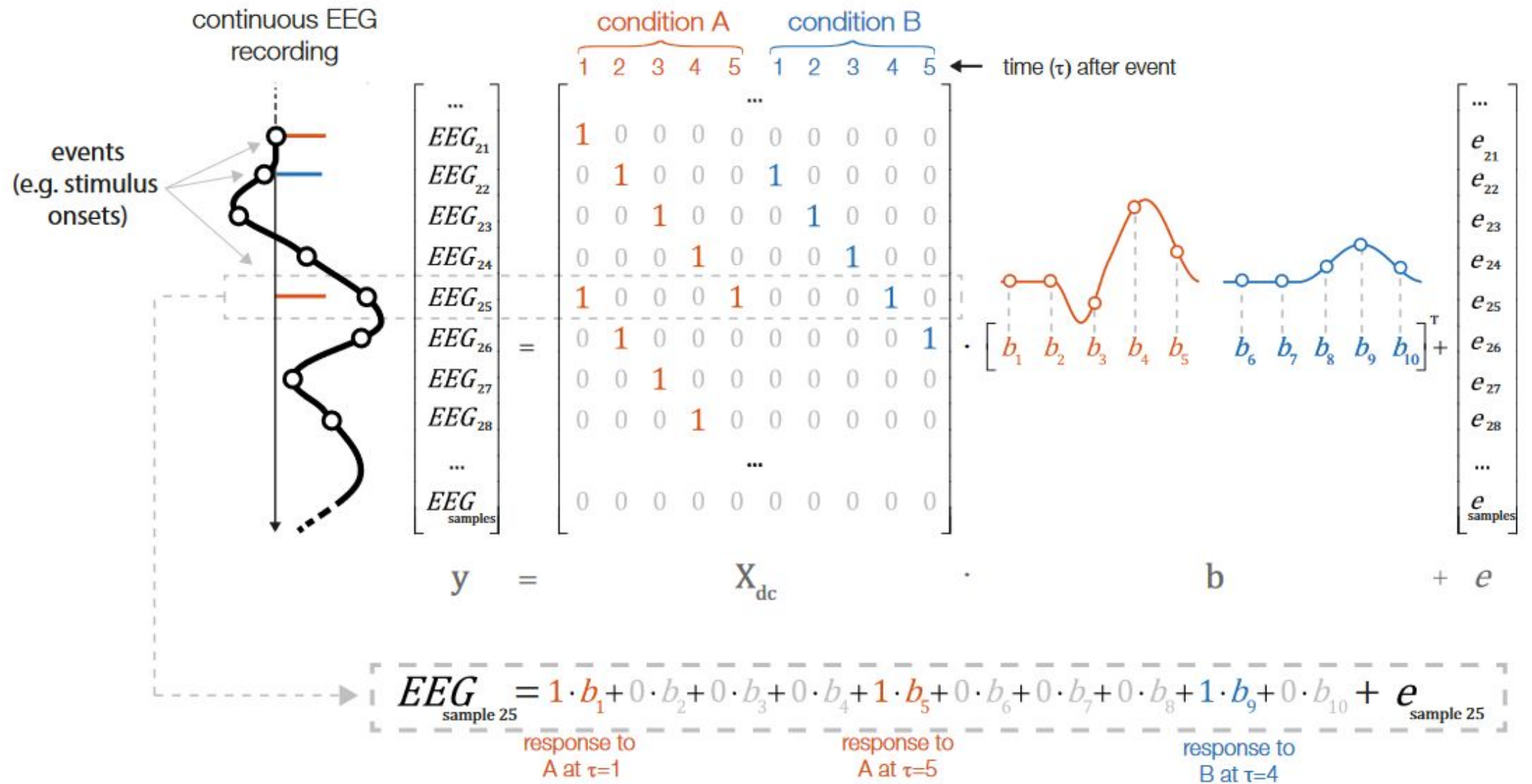


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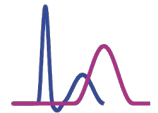
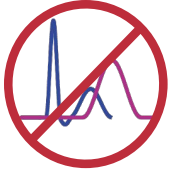
→ linear deconvolution for overlap correction

LINEAR REGRESSION MODEL

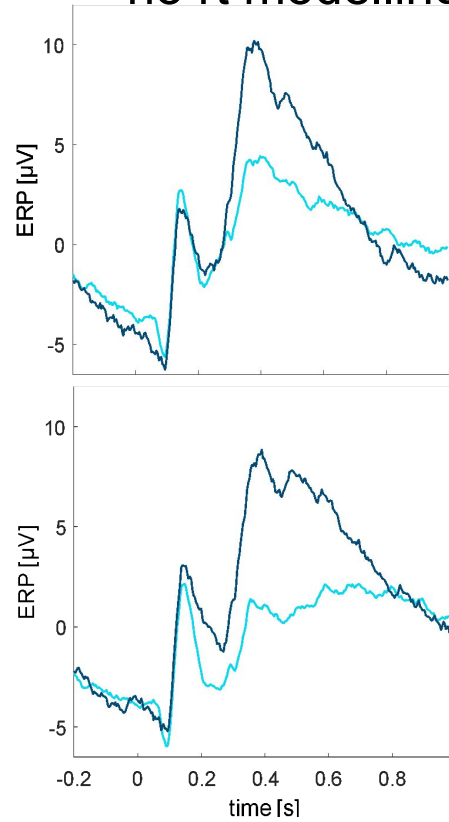


(Ehinger & Dimigen, 2019)

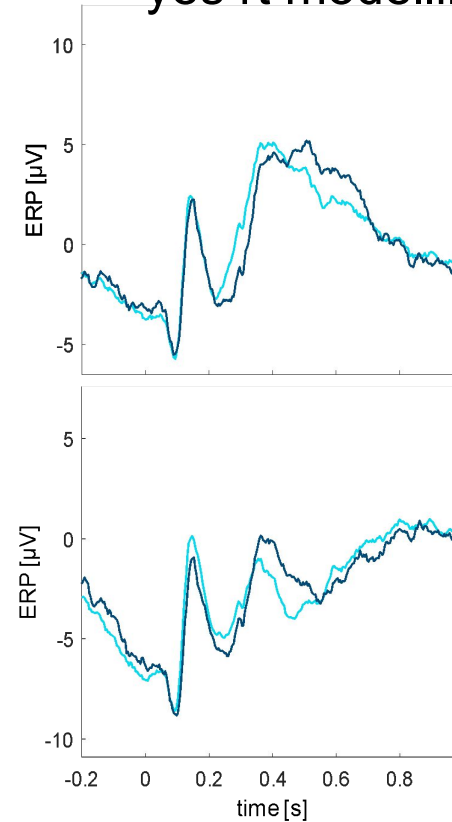
WHAT'S NEW?



no rt modelling



yes rt modelling



But P300 still exists
response-locked!

- **model RT for both stimulus & response**
- Too little data!

GOALS

I. Record EEG data with 40 participants

II. Test Hypothesis:

The amplitude difference of the P300 component between target and distractor trials is an effect of reaction time.

II. Experiment: Stimulus Duration

STIMULUS DURATION

Part I:

Blank

Blank

Blank



Part II:



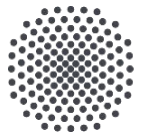
Goals:

- I. Record EEG data
- II. Analyse effects of stimulus duration
- III. Difference in estimated ERPs due to number of overlapping potentials?

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