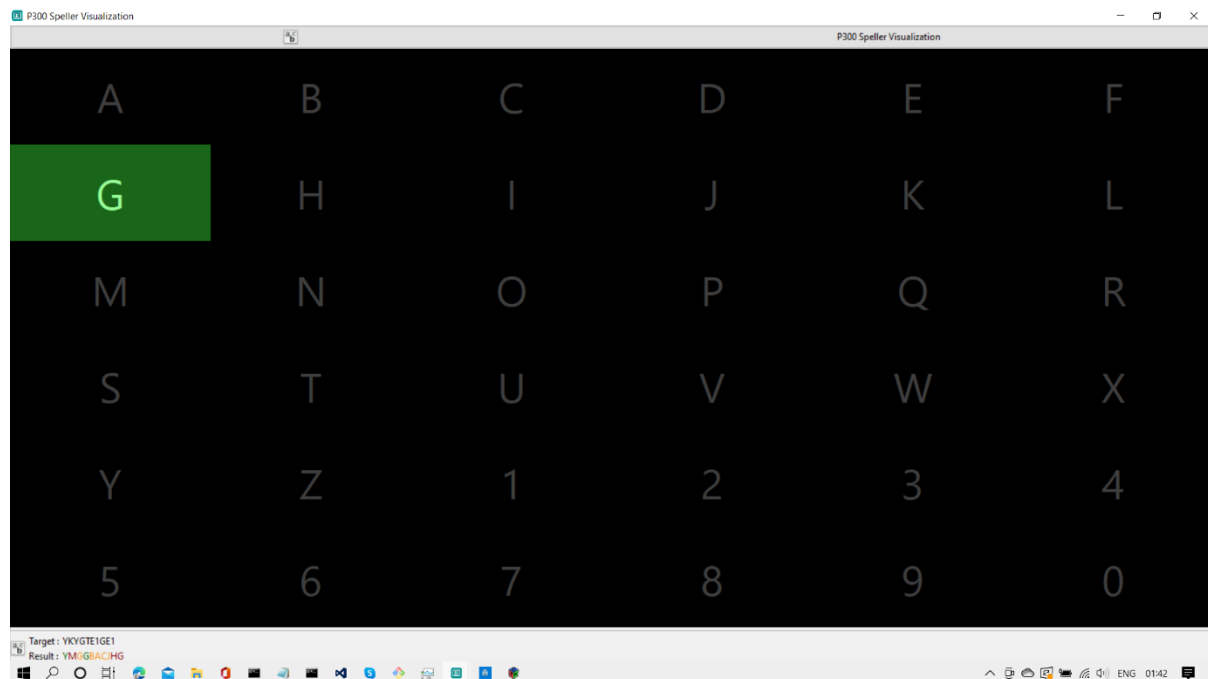
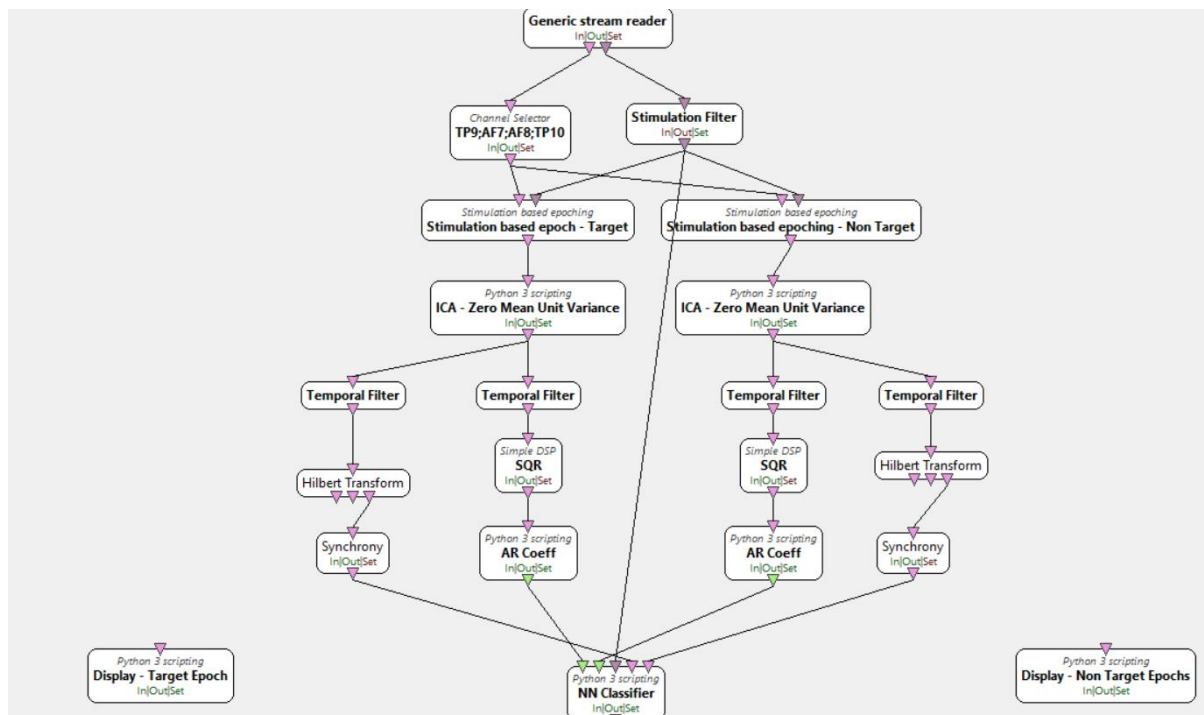


Brief about Experiment Setup for Speller



1. The above Speller with characters A to Z and numbers 1 to 9 is displayed to the subject.
2. The target character, on which the subject needs to be focused during training, is highlighted in **BLUE**. The subject has to pay attention to the flashing of this character.
3. At a given time instance only one row or one column is flashed.
4. The flash continues for 200 ms, after which there is a no-flash interval for 600 ms. This gives a total epoch size = 200 ms + 600 ms = 800 ms. We make sure that one epoch contains only one flash.
5. After 800 ms, another row or column is picked up randomly and flashed.
6. In a single repetition, there are 2 **target** flashes (1 row flash + 1 column flash). Also there are 10 **non-target** flashes (remaining 5 row flashes + 5 column flashes).
7. After each repetition, there comes a delay of 800 ms, when the screen stops flashing.
8. There are such 6 repetitions for a single target character during training. This leaves us with 12 **target** flashes and 60 **non-target** flashes.
9. After 6 repetitions, there comes a delay of 2.4 seconds, when the screen stops flashing.
10. Let us count the time taken for each target character, during training:
 - a. 12 target flashes x 800 ms = 9.6 s
 - b. 60 non-target flashes x 800 ms = 48 s
 - c. 6 inter-repetition delay(s) x 800 ms = 4.8 s
 - d. Delay, when all repetitions for a single character get over = 2.4 s
 - e. Sum up all the above = 64.8 seconds
 - f. If you observe, it is all a multiple of 0.8. This is to make sure that each epoch will contain only one flash and there will not be any overlapping even for the subsequent characters.
11. I have 24 such characters as my training data for one subject.

Feature Extraction and Classification based on Interaction Terms



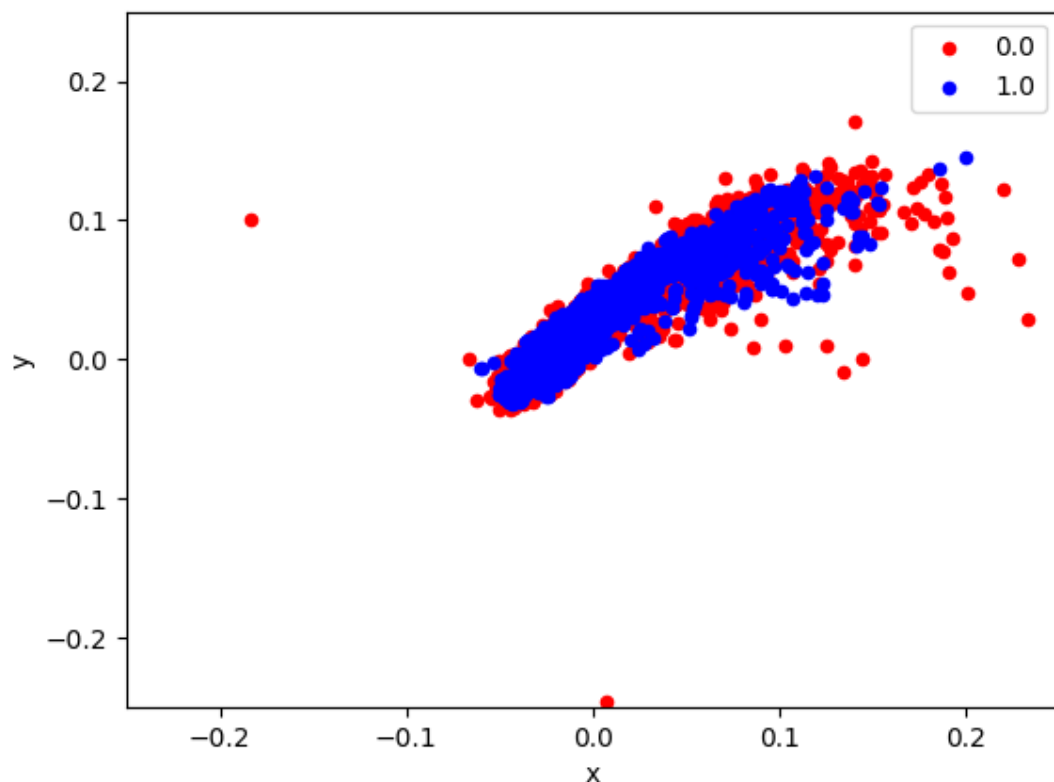
1. Extract **target** and **non-target** epoch from each of the EEG channel (TP9, TP10, AF7 and AF8)
2. Make each epoch to be of Zero Mean - Unit Variance separately.
3. Do the Independent Component Analysis (ICA) over each epoch separately. It creates 4 independent components. I choose 3 components out of 4 (**The criteria to choose these is not clear yet. Might be a potential problem.**)
4. Calculate the AR coefficient feature:
 - a. On the ICA components, I apply temporal filter to get frequencies from 0.1Hz to 12Hz.
 - b. After filtering, I square up each sample of the epoch (to calculate P300-square) and re-construct the epoch.
 - c. Pass all the **squared** samples of the epochs to the AR function to calculate AR coefficients.
5. Calculate the Synchrony feature
 - a. On the ICA components, I apply temporal filter to get frequencies in Gamma band from 25Hz to 45 Hz
 - b. After filtering, I apply the Hilbert Transform to calculate instantaneous phase information
 - c. I pass this phase information to synchrony module to calculate Phase Locking Value (PLV). I calculate the PLV across 6 different points on the epoch. Put them into an array. Treat it as a Synchrony feature.

Below is the scatter plot of **AR coefficient features** across target (blue) and non-target (red) environment.

I have 12 order AR coefficient model for each target/non-target epoch. Ideally it would be good to have a 12 dimensional visualization system if we want to plot each point. That is not possible yet. However, this is an attempt to visualize the system in two dimensions, considering a combination of two AR coefficients plotted against each other.

In the below picture, it displays the 6th AR coefficient of each epoch (on y axis) plotted against the values of 5th AR coefficient (on x axis).

I have plotted many such combinations of AR coefficients and saw that they all have this kind of overlapping structure.



Similar to the above 2 dimensional AR coefficient plot, I have plotted two slices of PLV against each other for target and non-target environment. As we can see, the PLV values fall between 0 and 1.

