

Epileptic seizure prediction from EEG

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ElectroEncephaloGraphy (EEG)



Scalp EEG

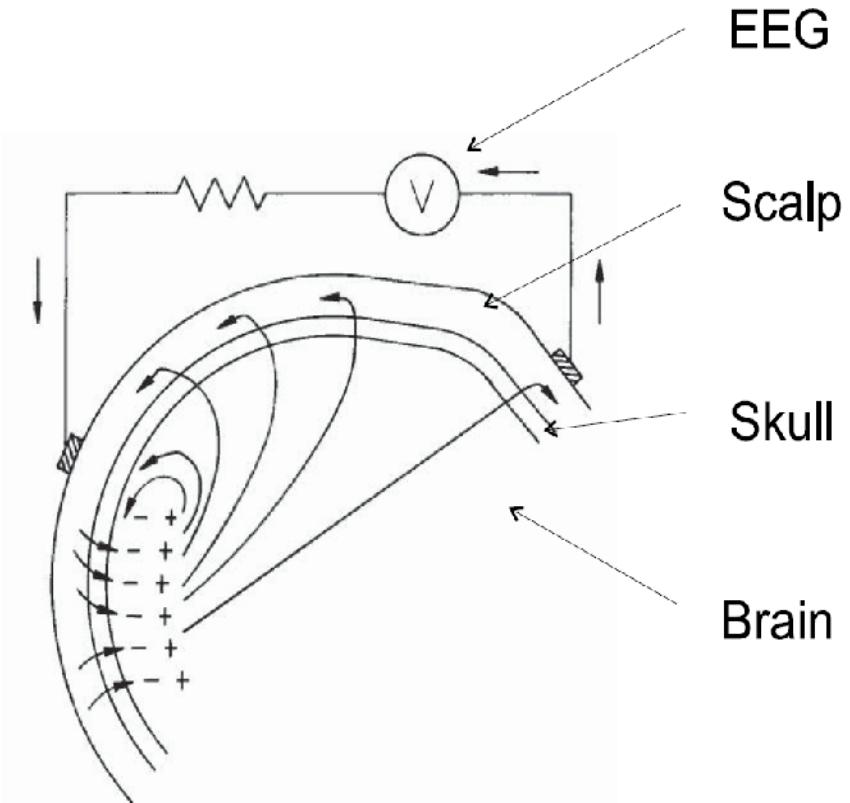
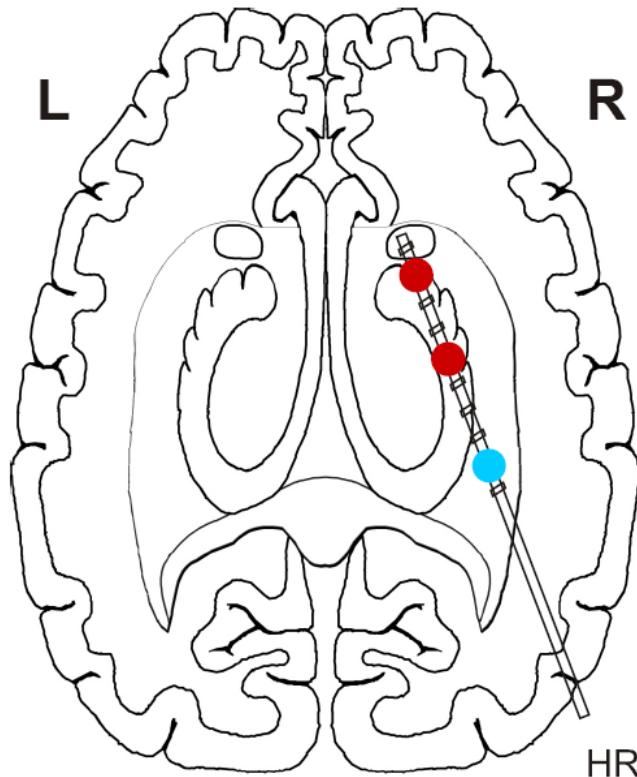
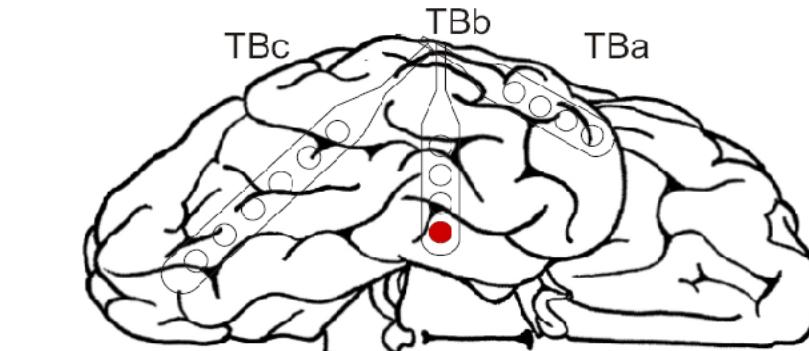


Figure 1.3: Origin of scalp potentials; Current in the EEG measuring circuit depends on the nature and location of the current sources, on the electrical properties of the brain, skull and scalp and on location of both electrodes. Modified from Nunez (1981)[69].

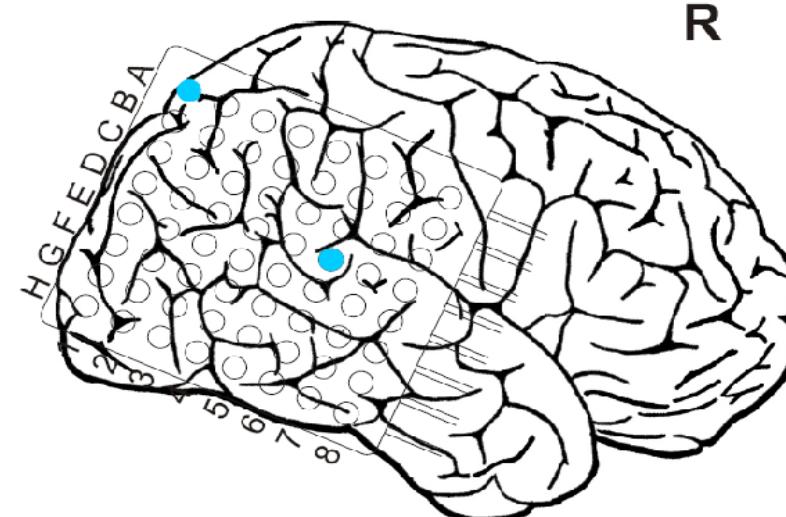
Intra(cranial/cerebral) EEG



Depth electrodes



Strip electrodes



Grid electrodes

Random facts about epilepsy

Epilepsy

Chronic illness

Affects **1% to 2% of world population**

40% of patients **refractory** to medication

Resective surgery as a treatment

Partial ("focal")

Impairment of consciousness
or perception

Sometimes **aura** for other seizures

Generalized: Tonic-clonic ("grand mal")

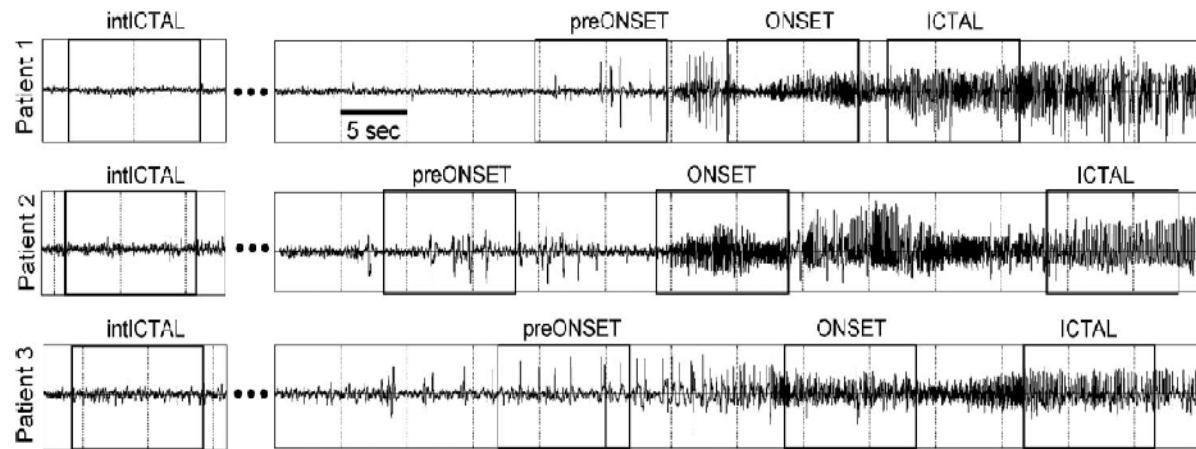
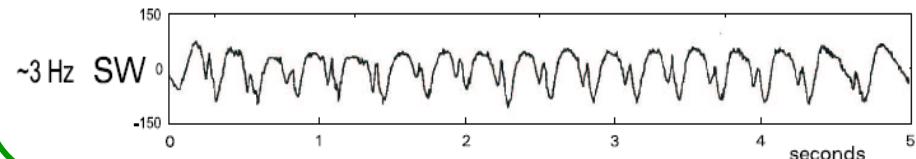
Rhythmic muscle
contractions
Loss of consciousness

Generalized: Absence ("petit mal")

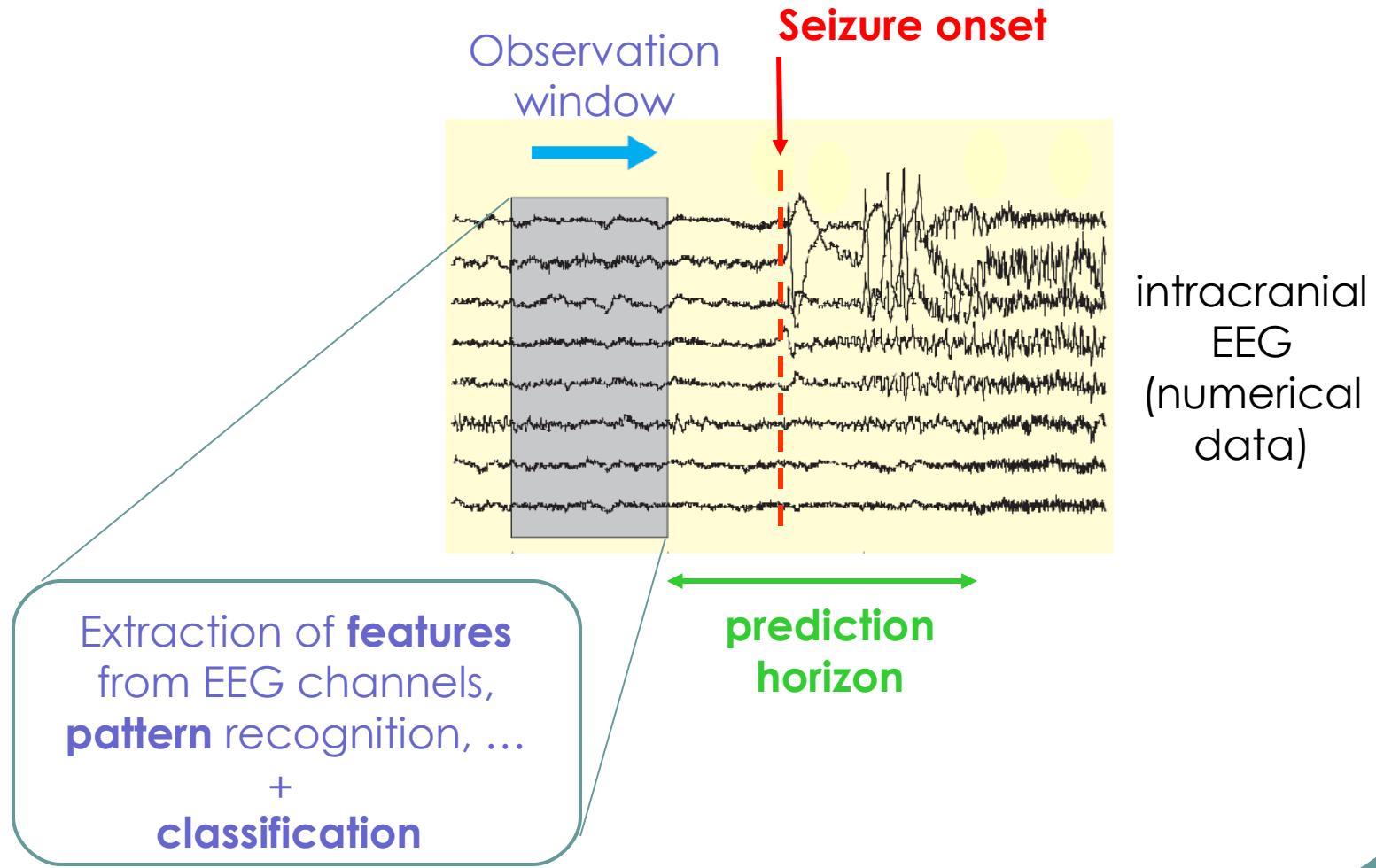
Impairment of consciousness

Abrupt start and termination, short duration

Unpredictable (?)



Seizure prediction problem



Human NeuroProsthetics

 NEUROPACE

Responsive neurostimulation for the treatment of epilepsy

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Product



Overview

The RNS™ System, designed for the treatment of medically refractory partial epilepsy, includes implantable and external products.

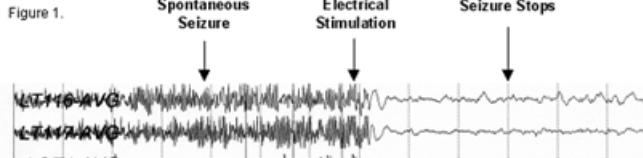
Implantable components include the RNS neurostimulator as well as depth leads and cortical strip leads. The RNS neurostimulator is a programmable, battery powered, microprocessor-controlled device that delivers a short train of electrical pulses to the brain through implanted leads. In treating epilepsy, the RNS neurostimulator is designed to detect abnormal electrical activity in the brain and respond by delivering electrical stimulation to normalize brain activity before the patient experiences seizure symptoms. The neurostimulator is implanted in the cranium and connected to one or two leads that are implanted near the patient's seizure focus.

External products include the programmer, a laptop computer with proprietary software that has a wand and telemetry interface enabling communication with an implanted RNS neurostimulator. Physicians use the programmer to non-invasively program the detection and stimulation parameters of an implanted device. Additional features of the programmer include the ability to view the patient's electrocorticographic (ECOG) activity real-time and the ability to upload the patient's ECOGs that have been stored in the RNS neurostimulator.

Caution: The RNST™ System is an Investigational device. Limited by United States law to investigational use.

Figure 1.

Spontaneous Seizure Electrical Stimulation Seizure Stops



Approaches to the problem

Feature
extraction
from EEG:

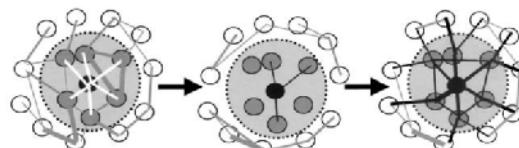
Linear
*System of
noise-driven
linear equations*
 $y(t) = ax(t) + b + \eta(t)$

Non-linear
*Deterministic
dynamical system
of nonlinear
equations*

Relationship
between EEG
channels:

Univariate
1 channel at a time

Bivariate
*Varying synchronization
of EEG channels*



Classification
based on:

Statistics
Discriminating measure

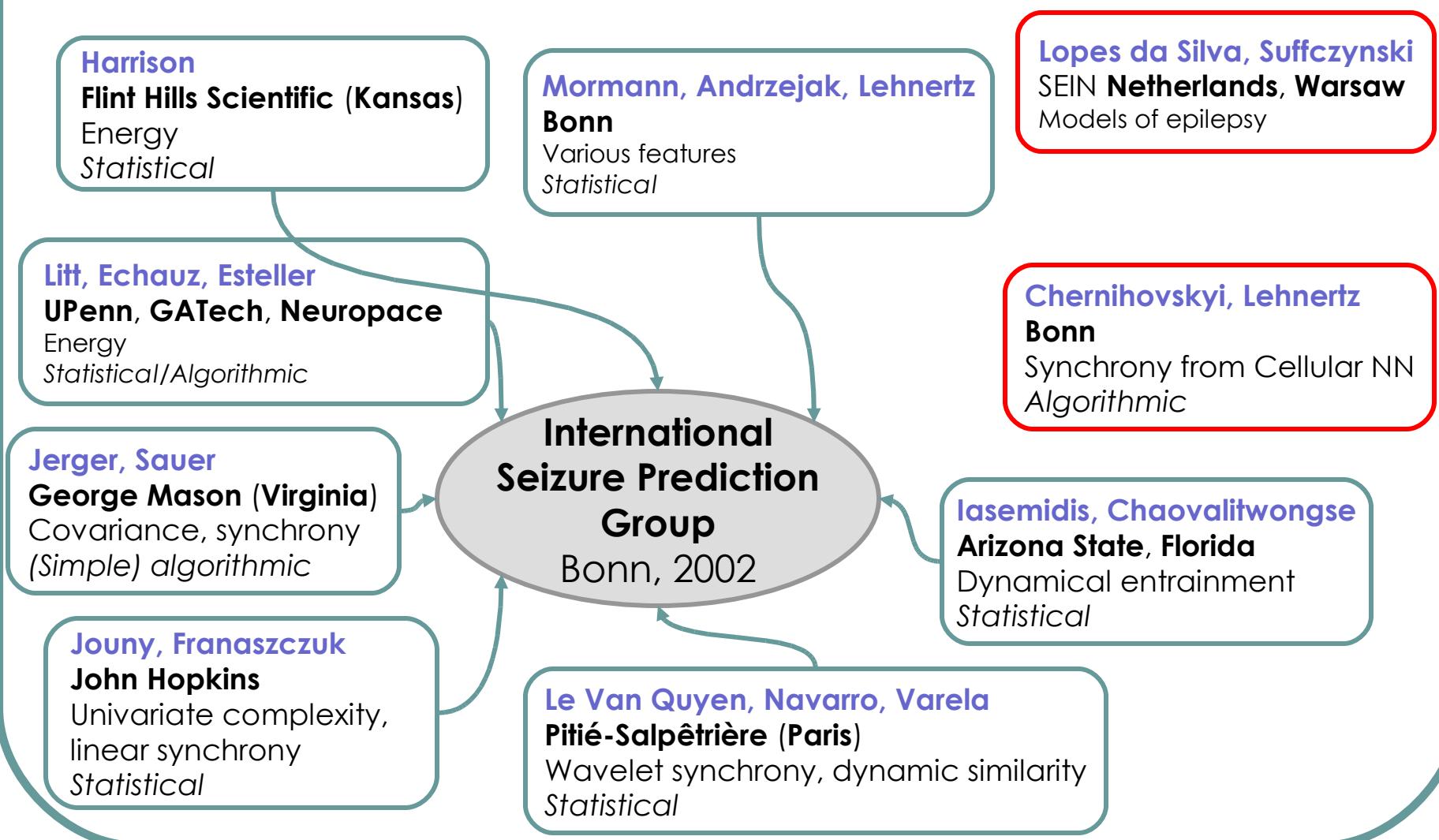
time

Algorithm
*Machine Learning:
neural networks,
genetic optimization...*

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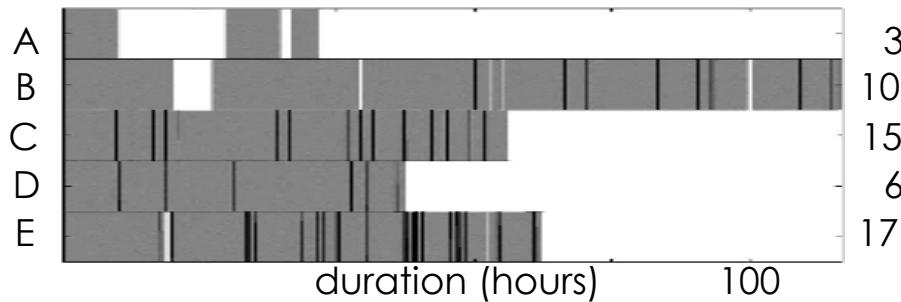
Main research groups (after 2002)



ISPG Bonn 2002 dataset

	Data set	Sampling rate (Hz)	A to D conversion	BandPass (Hz)	# Channels	#Seizures	ISI (h)
Netherlands	A	480	16 bits	0.16-70	32	3	13.9 ± 13.7
Bonn	B	200	16 bits	0.30-70	48	10	5.9 ± 4.8
Florida	C	200	10 bits	0.10-70	32	15	3.9 ± 3.5
Kansas	D	239.75	10 bits	0.10-100	53	6	8.1 ± 6.0
UPenn	E	200	12 bits	0.50-70	81	17	3.6 ± 3.0

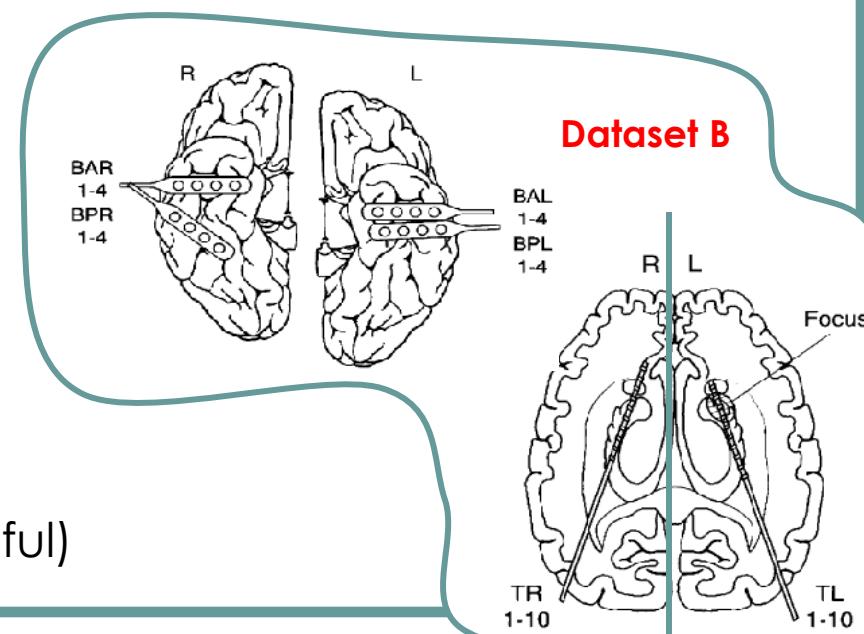
Continuous video+EEG recordings



Temporal lobe epilepsy, ages 18-65

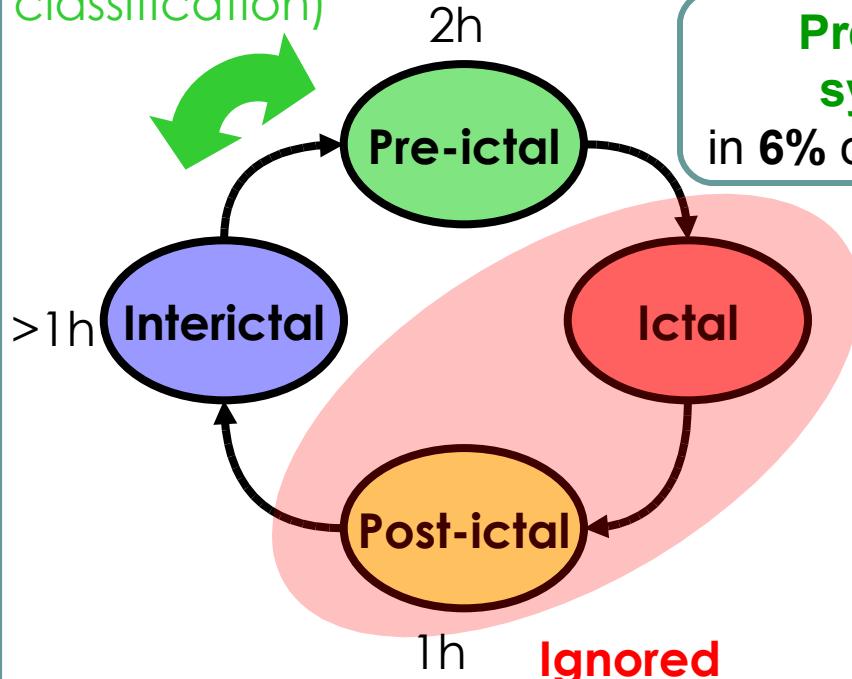
Seizure-free after surgery

Sleep-wake data not provided (yet useful)



ISPG Bonn 2002 goals

Discriminate
(binary classification)



Focal epilepsies
(not generalized)

Premonitory
symptoms
in 6% of 500 patients

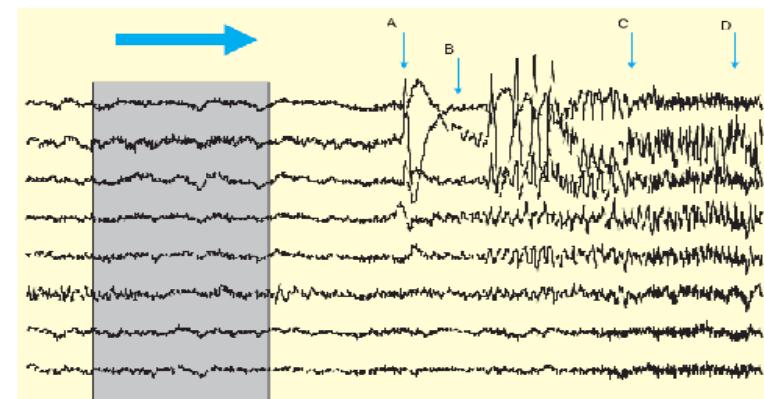
Seizure onset

EEG

Clinical

Earliest
Unequivocal

Earliest
Unequivocal



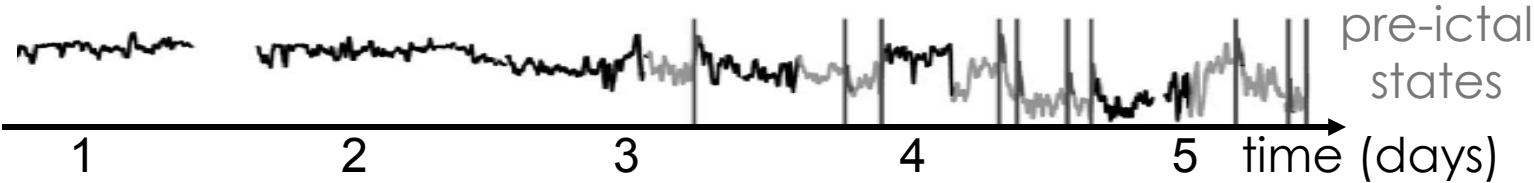
Observation
window

Data requirement:
4h between seizures

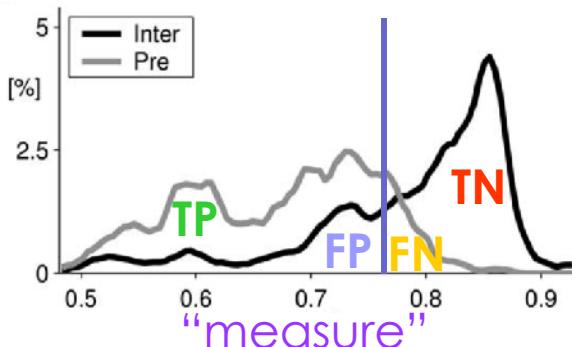
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Receiver-Operator Characteristic



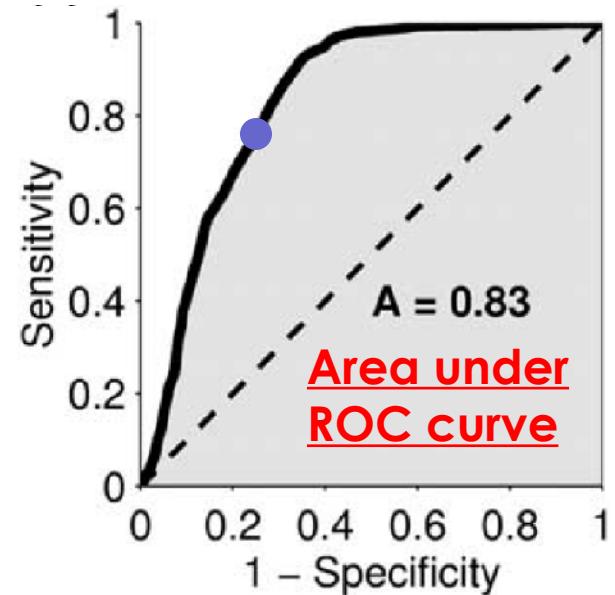
Hypothesis: ↓
pre-ictal decrease



TP **true positive** seizure,
>1 alarm(s)
FP **false positive** alarm,
no seizure
during prediction horizon

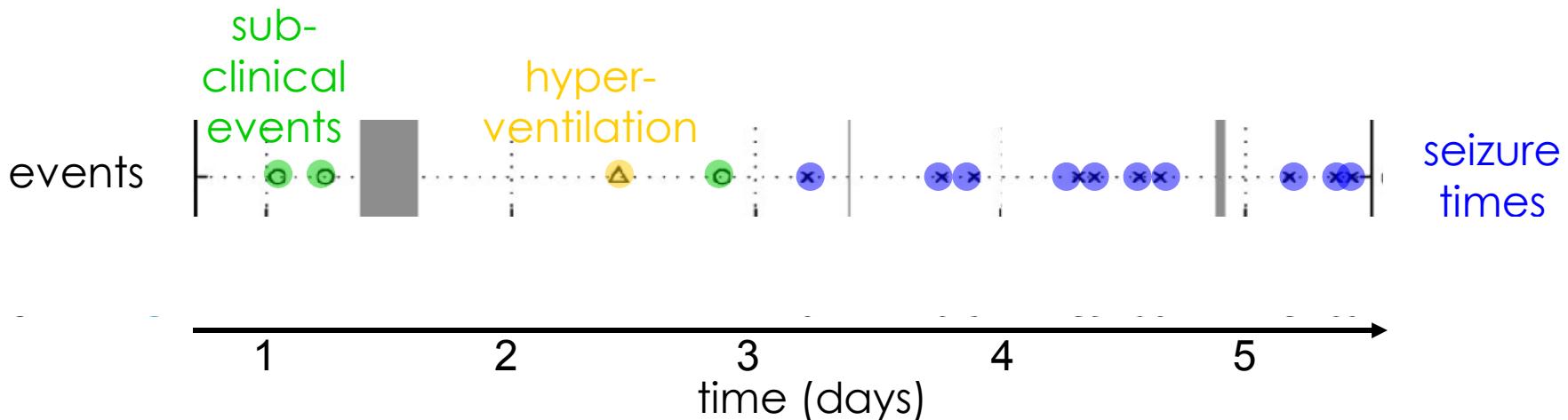
$$\text{sensitivity} = \frac{\text{TP}}{\text{TP} + \text{FN}}$$

$$\text{specificity} = \frac{\text{TN}}{\text{TN} + \text{FP}}$$



False prediction rate = $\text{FP}/\text{interictal time}$
Shorter prediction horizons
= less waiting (wasted) time

Statistical validation



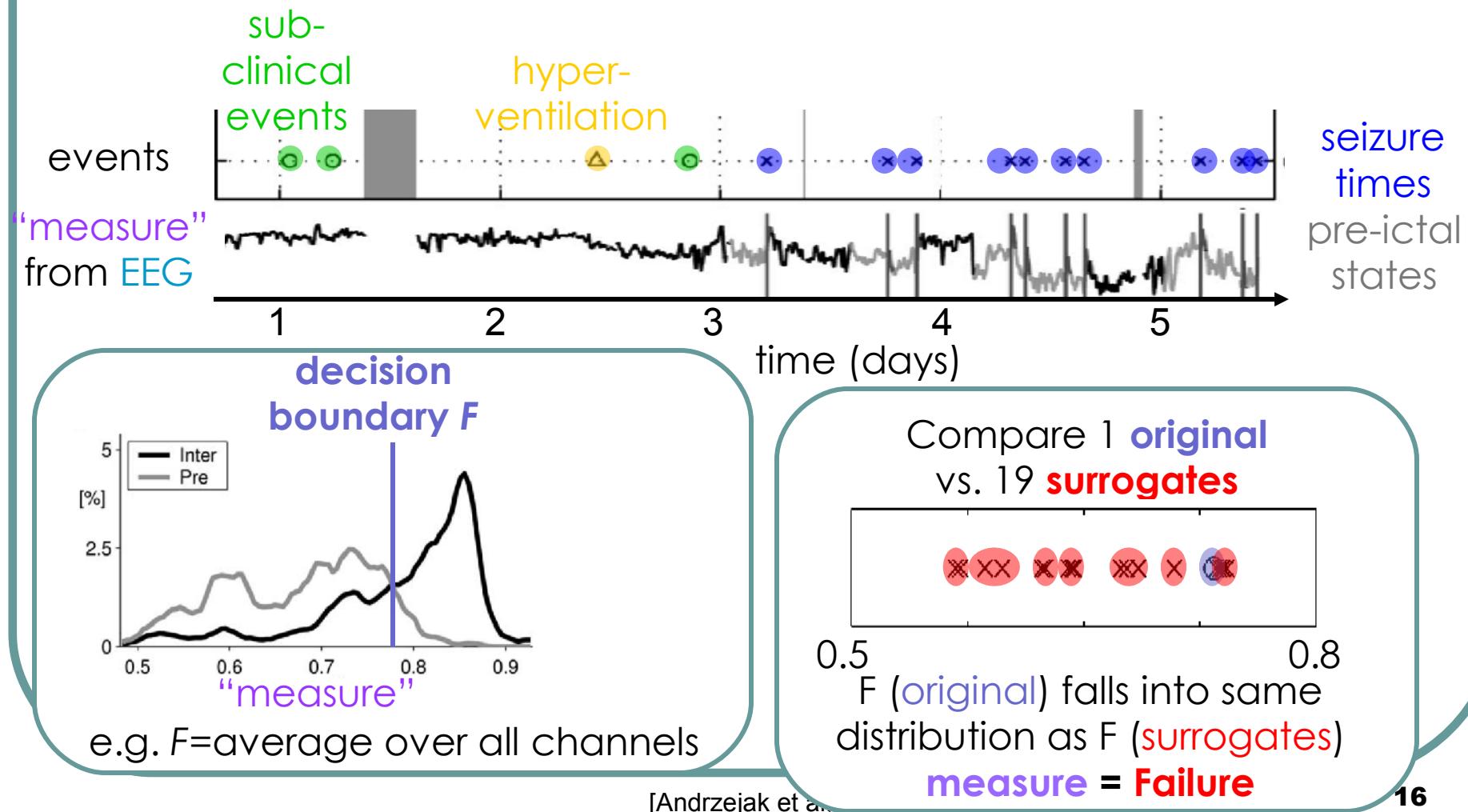
Null hypothesis: “no pre-ictal state [can be found]”
given a particular tested set of *discriminating measures...*

How to disprove it? Same EEG Same measures **Ignore seizure times**

Random generation of **Seizure Time Surrogates**

- Same number as real seizure times
- Same distribution of intervals between seizures
- Occurring in the same time-frame as real seizures

Statistical validation



Machine Learning

Training dataset
“in-sample”

$\min_{\mathbf{W}} \{L(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{W})\}$ = loss/risk
on training data

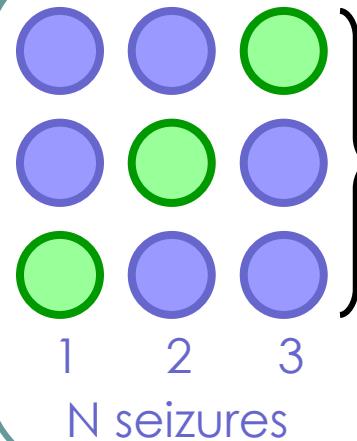
\mathbf{X} = EEG **data**, measures
 \mathbf{Y} = label (pre-ictal, interictal)
 \mathbf{W} = neural network **parameters**

$$\min_{\mathbf{W}} \left\{ \sum_i E_{\mathbf{W}}(X_i, Y_i) + \|\mathbf{W}\| \right\}$$

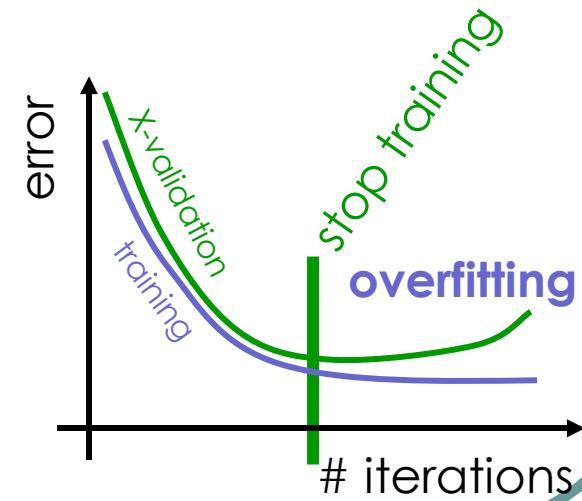
per-sample error regularization
(keep it simple)

Testing dataset
“out-of-sample”

=
new, unseen data
*e.g. same patient,
new seizures*



Training
(adjusting
parameters \mathbf{W})
=
iterative
process



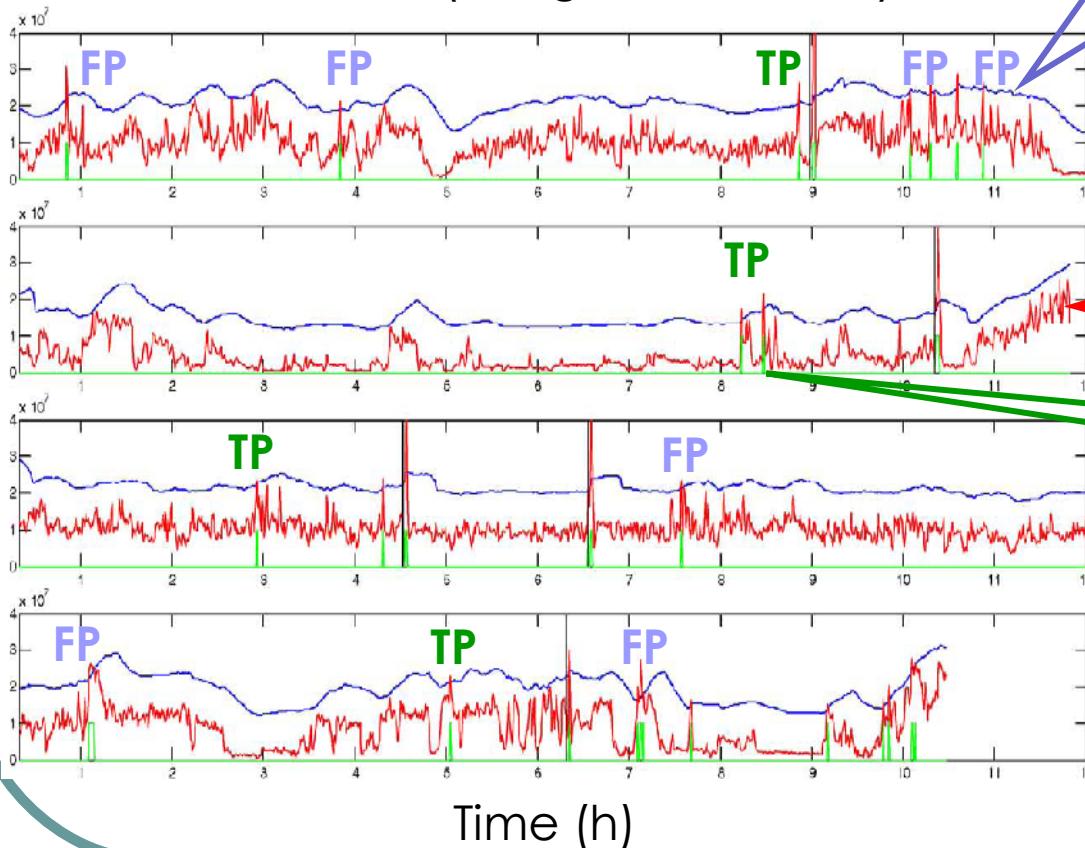
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Continuous energy variation [Linear, univariate, statistical]

Energy ≈ spikes, bursts in EEG activity

Patient B (4 segments of 12h)



Decision threshold

20-min energy + offset

$$E_{20\text{min}}(t) = \sum_{t'=t \pm 10\text{ min}} x(t')^2 + E_{\text{offset}}$$

Moving Average

1-min energy

$$E_{1\text{min}}(t) = \sum_{t'=t \pm 0.5\text{ min}} x(t')^2$$

Seizure prediction

Prediction horizon 3h

Sensitivity 71%

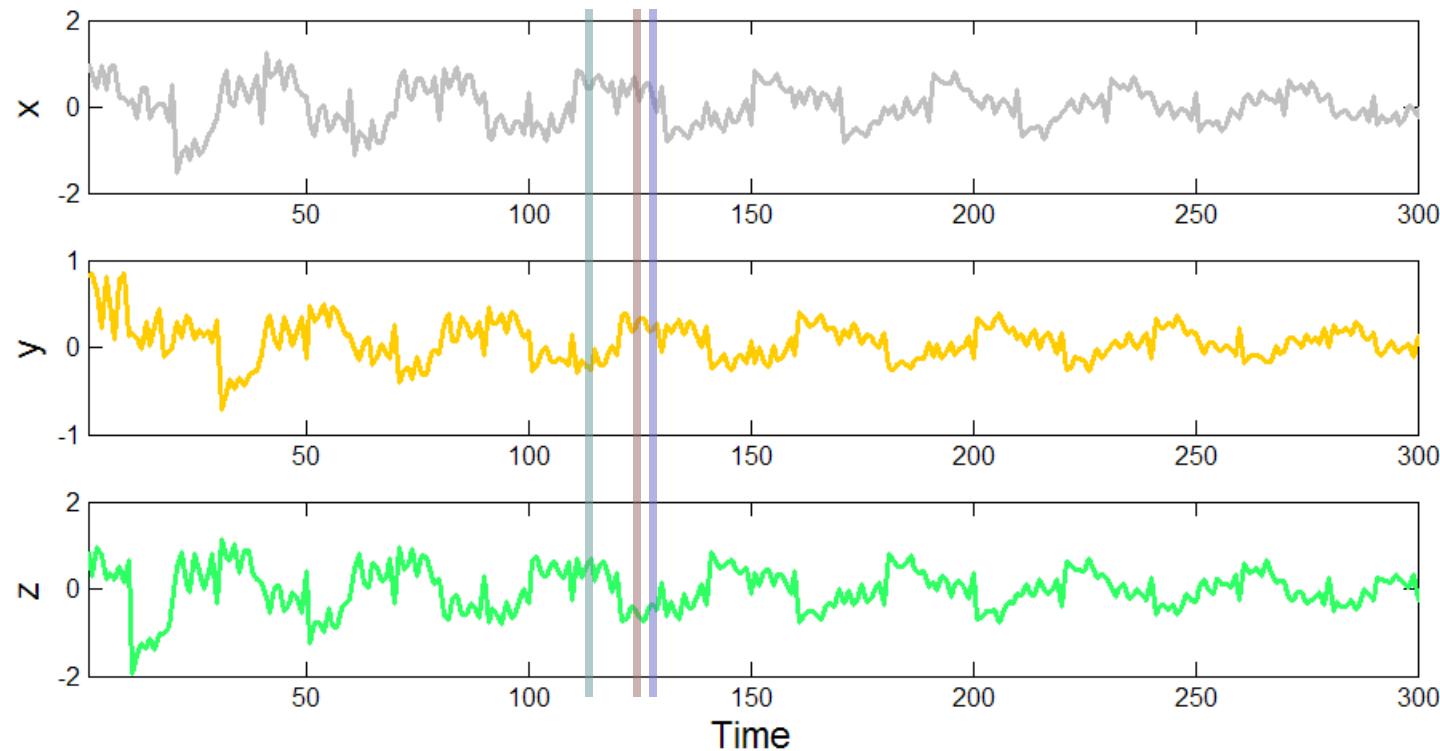
1 FP every 10h

No statistical validation

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(Multivariate) linear systems



$$\begin{aligned}x(t) &= [0.01x(t-1) + 0.13y(t-1) - 0.1z(t-1)] \\y(t) &= [-0.06x(t-1) + 0.52y(t-1) + 0.03z(t-1)] \\z(t) &= [-0.5x(t-1) - 0.31y(t-1) - 0.68z(t-1)]\end{aligned}$$

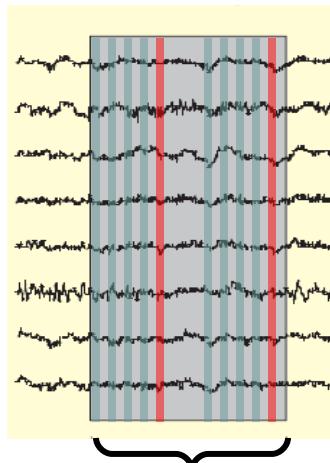
time t

time $t-1$

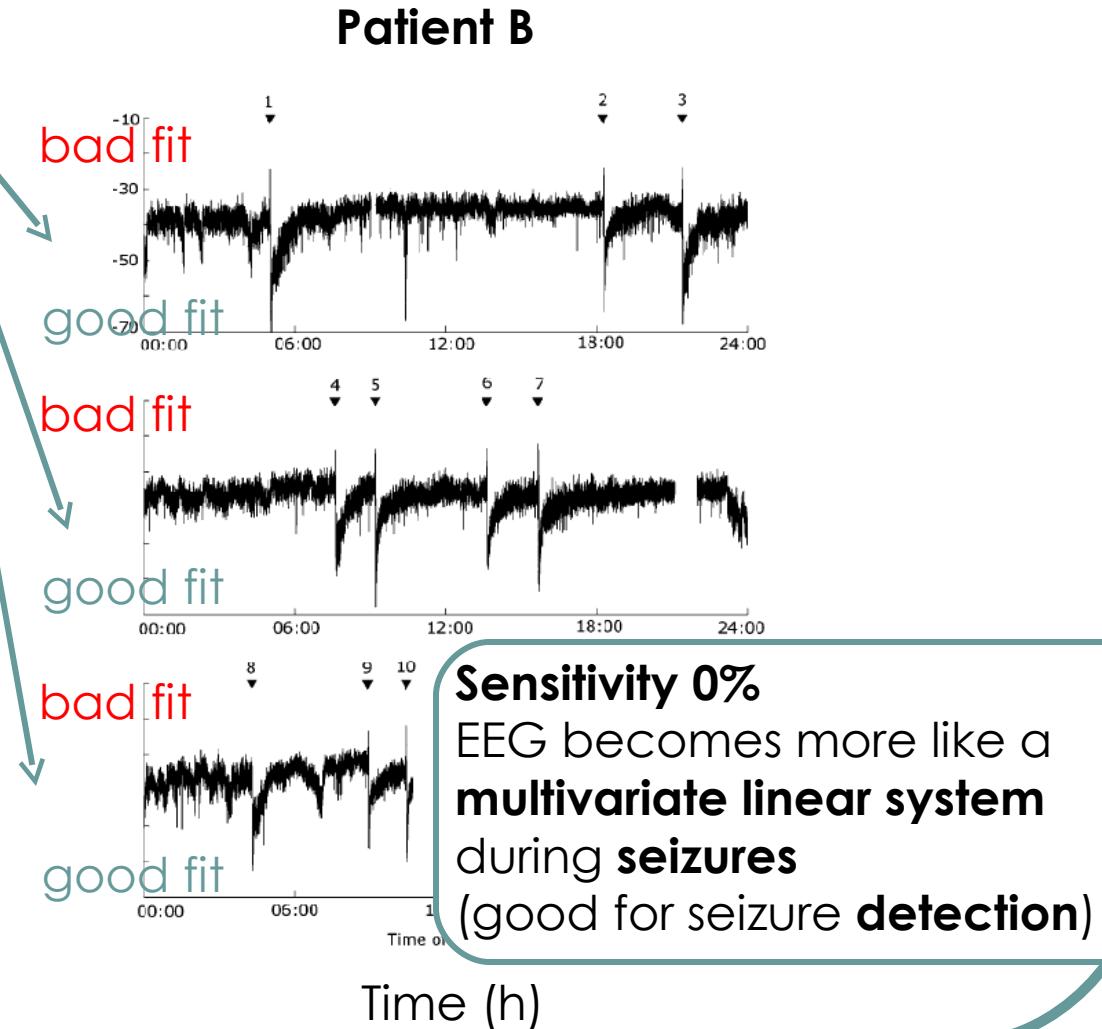
Autoregressive linear system of 10th order

Fitting an autoregressive model [Linear, multivariate, statistical]

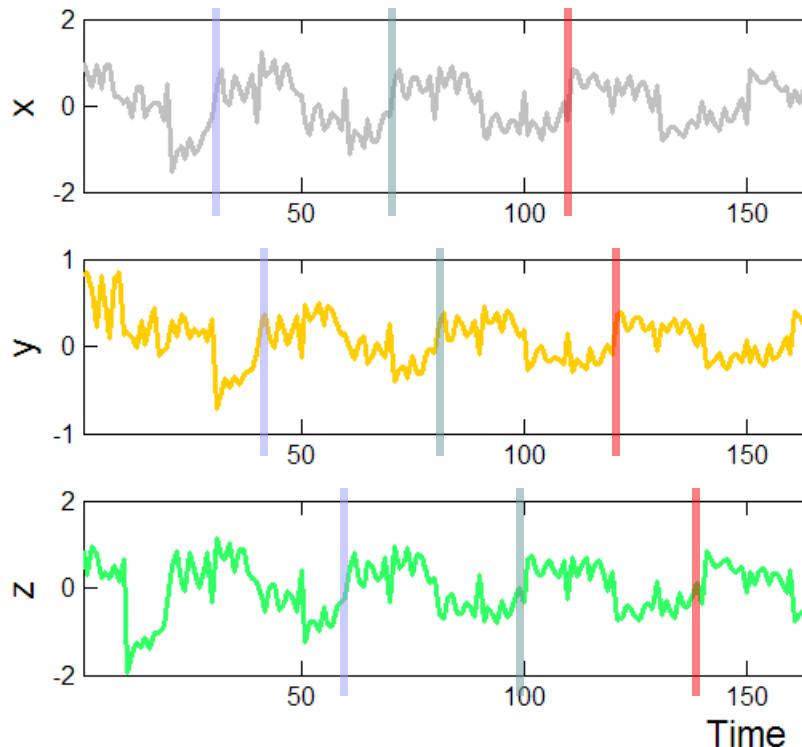
Measure of average **error** made when **trying to fit an autoregressive linear model** of 4th order to a **10sec window** of EEG channels



10sec



Maximum cross-correlation [Linear, bivariate, statistical]



Cross-correlation between channels
For **each channel, choice of delay**
giving **best** cross-correlation

Prediction **horizon 3h**

Different hypothesis of \uparrow or \downarrow of cross-correlation,
depending on pairs of channels

All seizures together
Area under ROC = 0.75 (good)

Each seizure separately
Area under ROC = 0.86 (good)

Statistical significance
(surrogates) at **0.05**

As good as nonlinear multivariate

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Nonlinear dynamical systems (example: chaotic Lorenz system)

Lorenz = (very) simple model of atmosphere

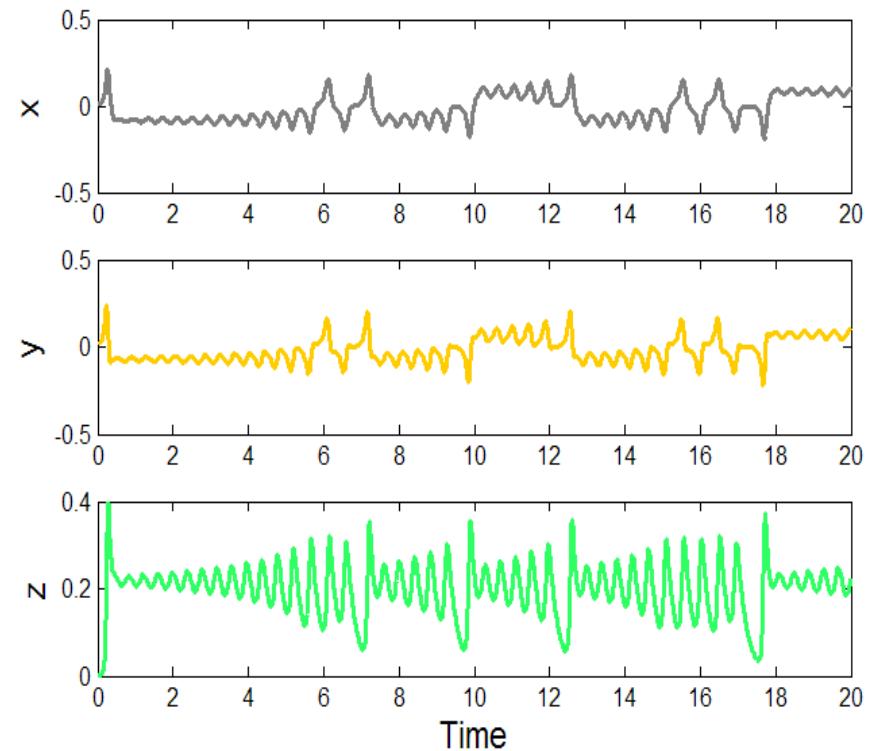
State S = variables x , y , z at time t

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial t} = -16x + 16y$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial t} = 45.92x - y - x \times z$$

$$\frac{\partial z}{\partial t} = x \times y - 2z$$

Nonlinear function f
 (x, y, z) at time $t \rightarrow (x, y, z)$ at time $t + \Delta t$
 $S_{t+\Delta t} = f(S_t)$



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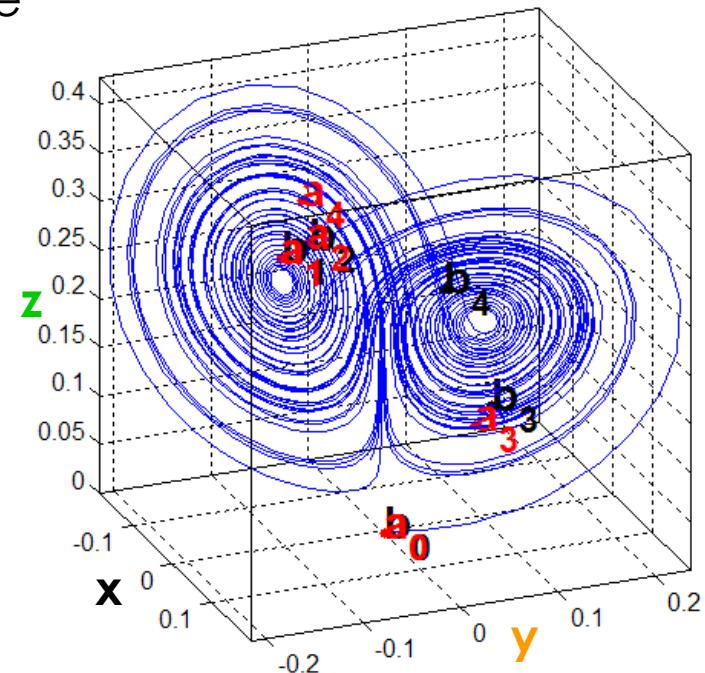
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nonlinearity

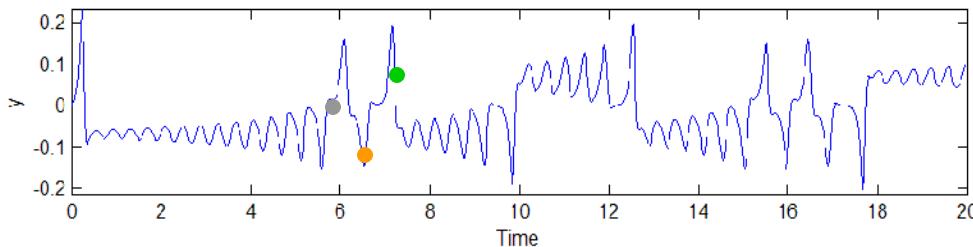


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Phase plot
in
state-space

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Observation (state unknown)



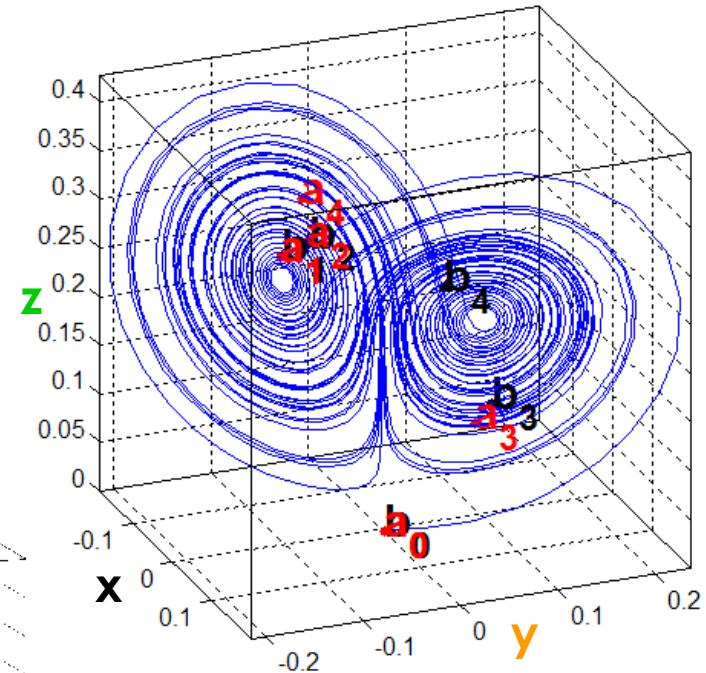
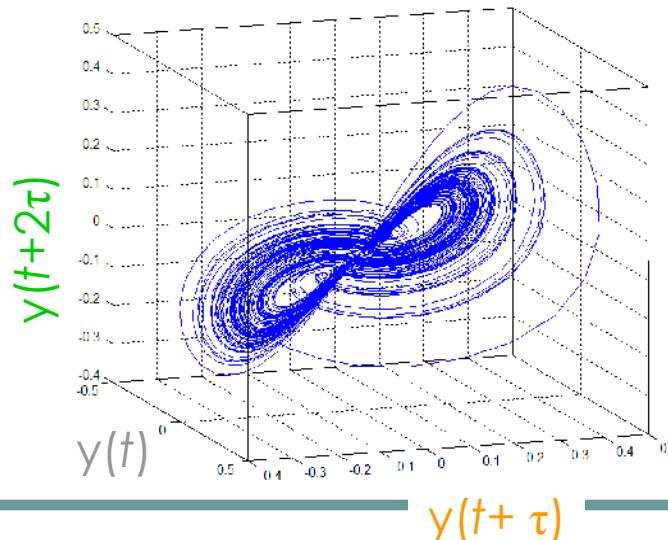
Dynamical reconstruction:
Time-delay embedding

$$S_t = y(t - \tau), y(t - 2\tau), \dots, y(t - d\tau)$$

Time delay τ

Embedding dimension d

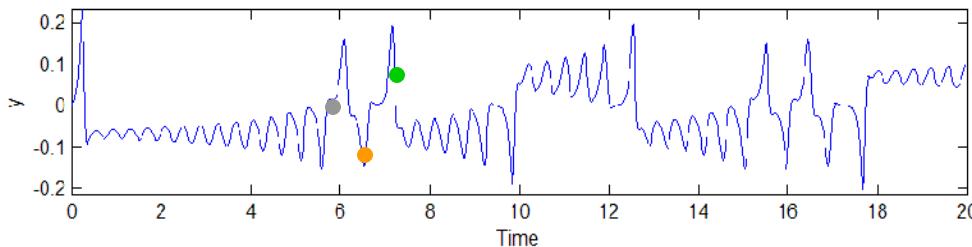
EEG:
 $d=7$
 $\tau=5\Delta t$



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Butterfly effect:

Exponential rate of growth of
a small perturbation

$$|\Delta S_{t+n\Delta t}| = |\Delta S_t| e^{n\lambda} \quad \text{Lyapunov exponent}$$

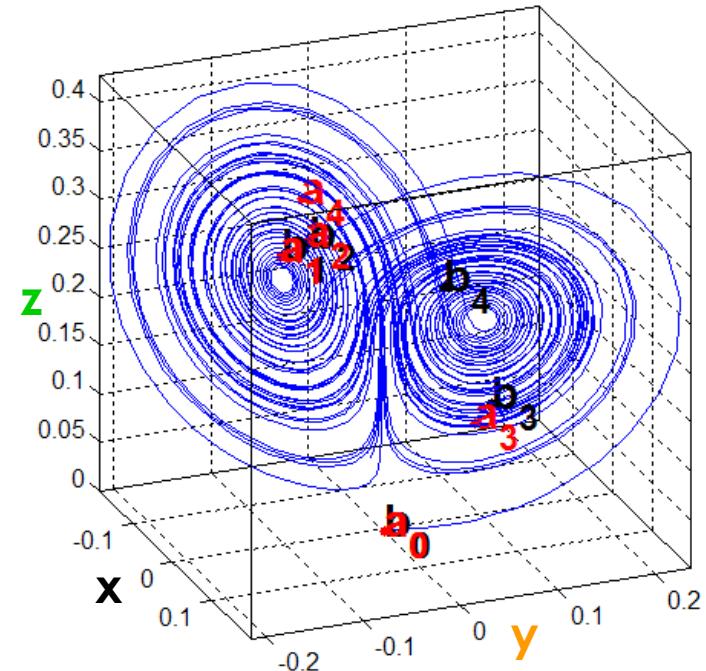
Local flow =

Average on directions of trajectory

Correlation dimension =

Estimation of dimension of chaotic orbit

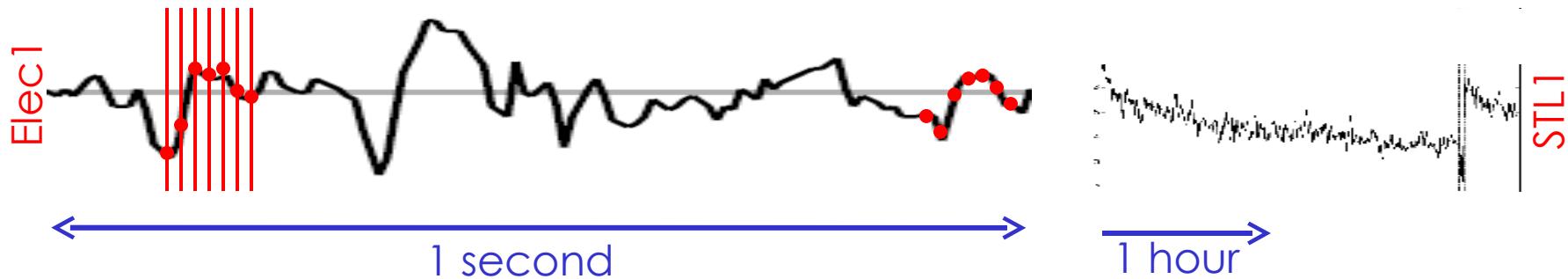
**EEG: dynamics change with time?
(pre-ictal, ictal, post-ictal, interictal...)**



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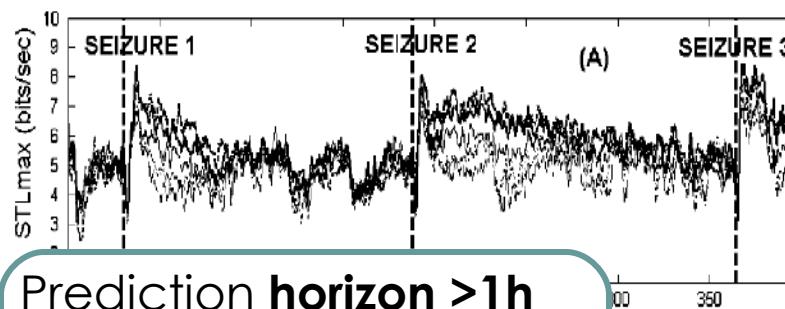
Dynamical Entrainment

[Nonlinear, bivariate, statistical]



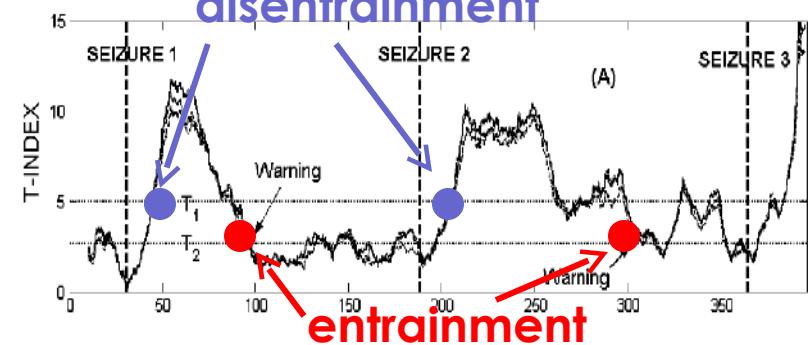
Short-term Lyapunov exponent (computed over 10sec)
decreases (i.e. **stability of EEG trajectory increases**) **before seizure**

disentrainment



1 FP every 8h

No statistical validation



T-index = average **difference** of **STL** between electrodes in optimal **onset zone**

Nonlinear interdependence

Time-delay embedding

Of $x(t), x(t-\tau), \dots, x(t-d\tau)$ is $\mathbf{x}(t)$

EEG channel i and time series \mathbf{x}_i

Time indices of K nearest neighbors of $\mathbf{x}_i(t)$

$$\{t_1^i, t_2^i, \dots, t_K^i\}$$

EEG channel j and time series \mathbf{x}_j

Time indices of K nearest neighbors of $\mathbf{x}_j(t)$

$$\{t_1^j, t_2^j, \dots, t_K^j\}$$

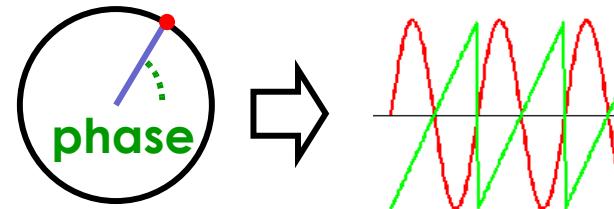
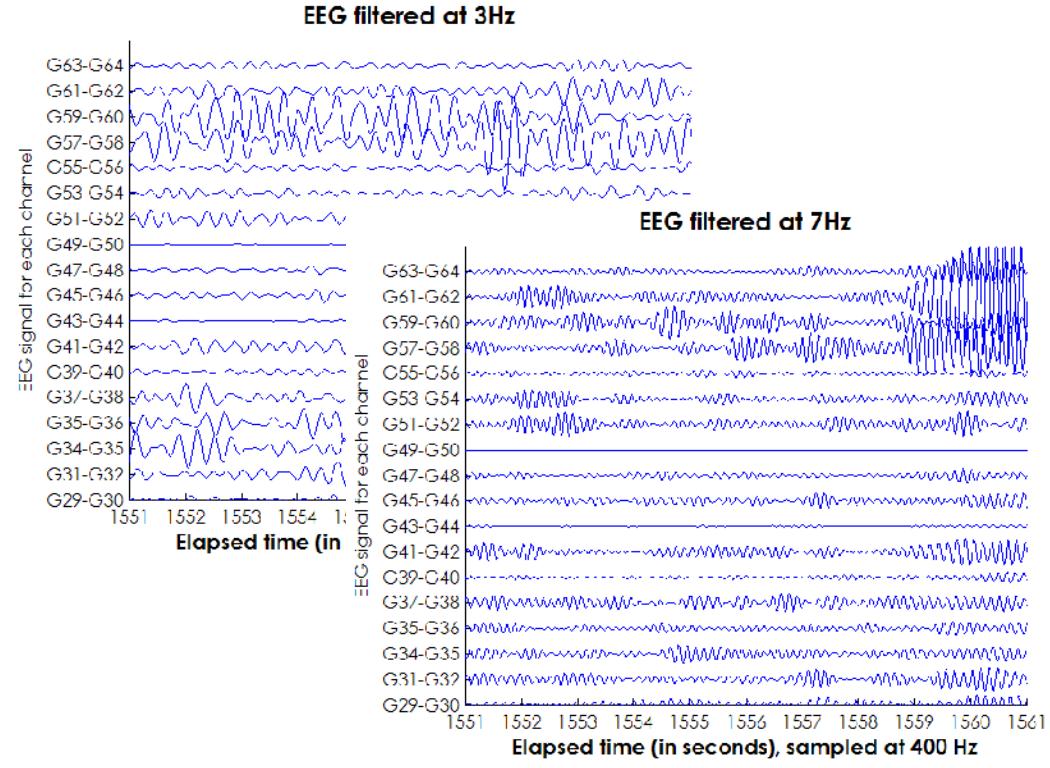
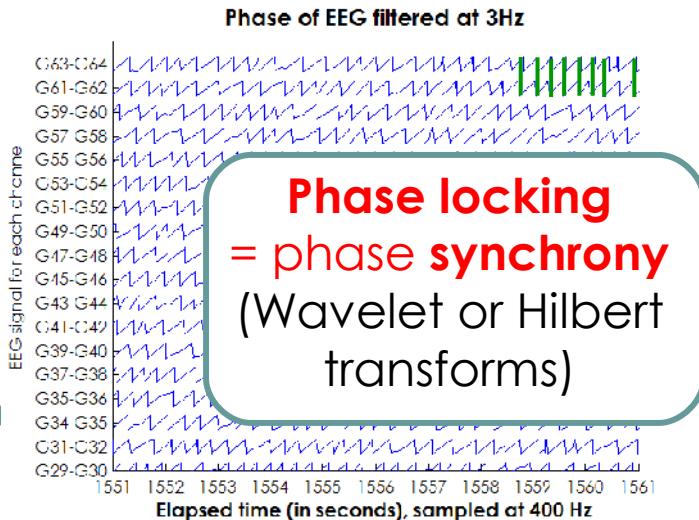
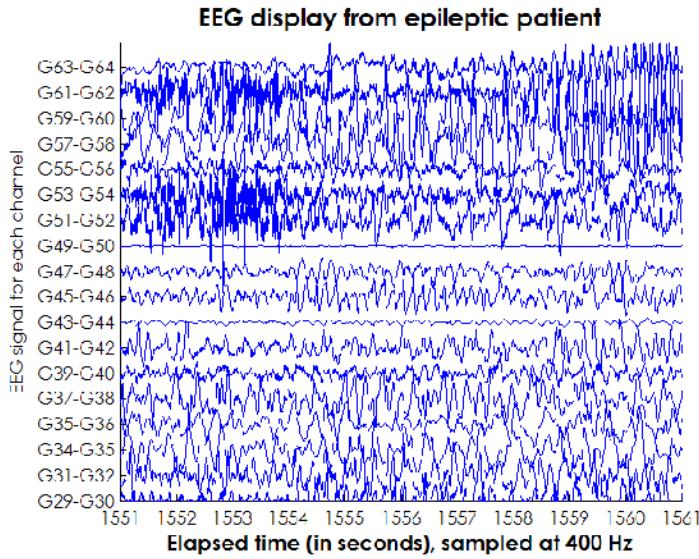
$$R(t, x_i) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| \mathbf{x}_i(t) - \mathbf{x}_i(t_k^i) \right\|_2^2$$

$$R(t, x_i | y_j) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| \mathbf{x}_i(t) - \mathbf{x}_i(t_k^j) \right\|_2^2$$

Similarity between
the **trajectories** of
channels i and j
using the
reconstruction
error

$$S(x_i | x_j) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N \frac{R(t, x_i)}{R(t, x_i | x_j)}$$

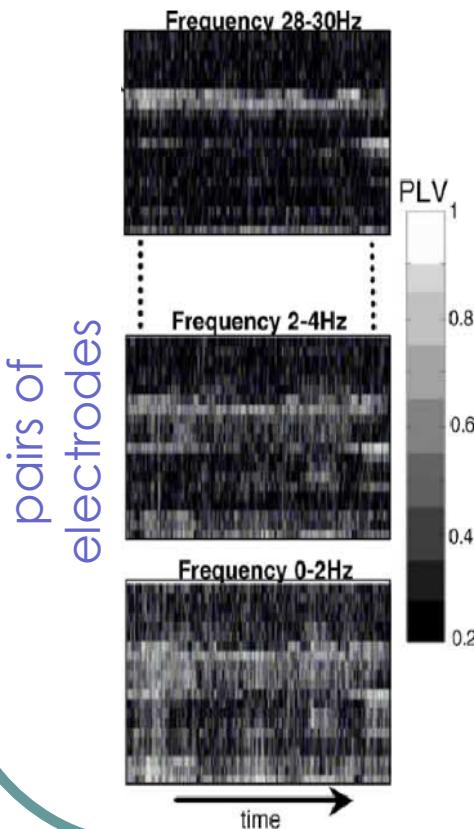
Phase locking, synchrony



Phase-locking value (synchrony) [nonlinear, bivariate, algorithmic]

Phase Locking Value

= average
phase difference



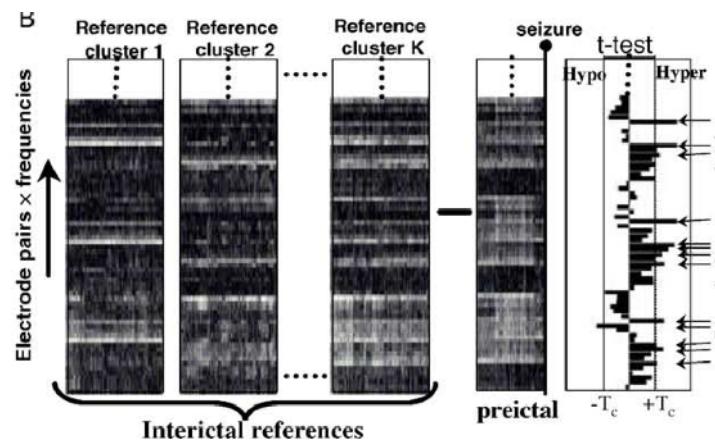
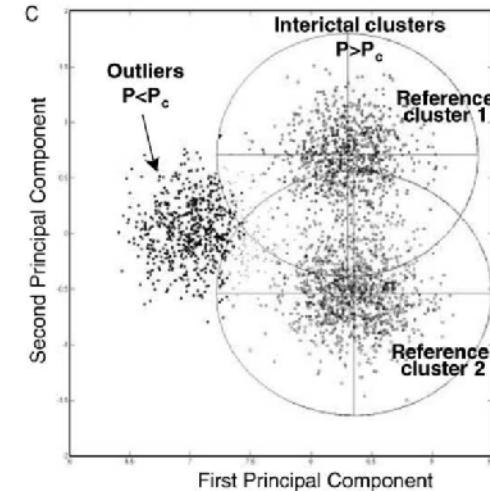
Feature vectors of PLV:

15 frequencies
 $\times (20 \times 19 / 2)$ electrodes

Reference library
of 5 to 10 **clusters** of
PLV feature vectors
(interictal synchrony)

Outliers
= preictal PLV vectors

K-means



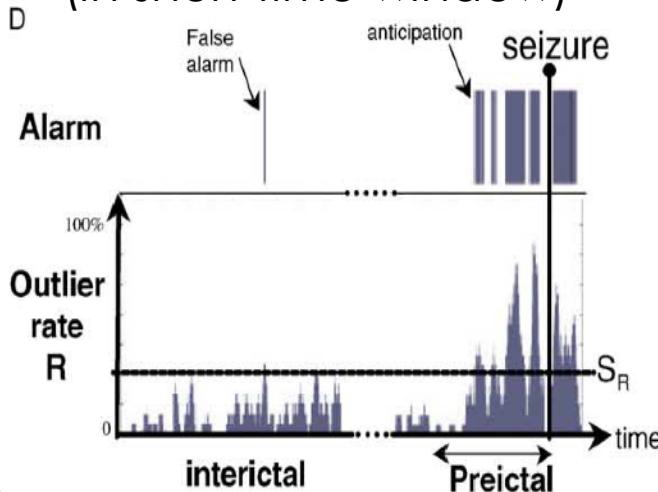
Student t-test for
selection of
discriminant
PLV features

Chi-square test for
detection of
outliers

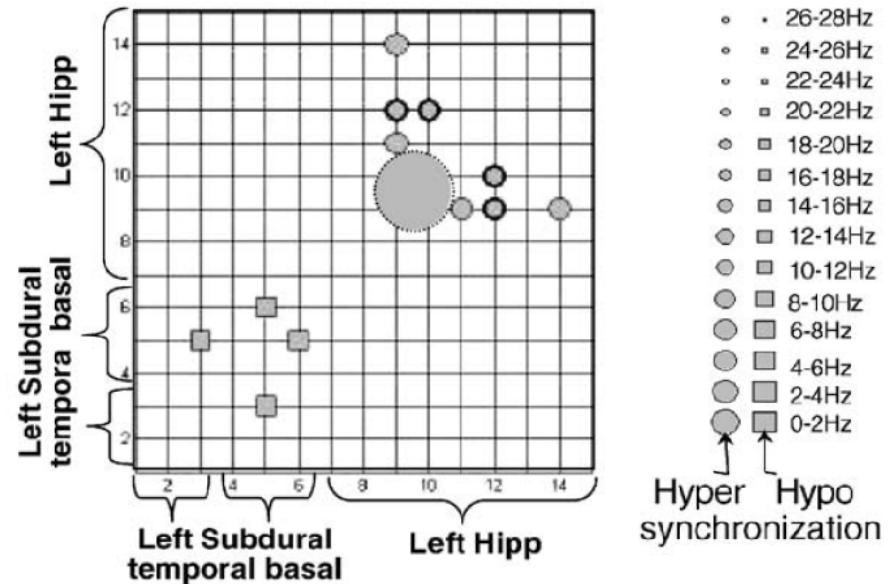
Phase-locking value (synchrony) [nonlinear, bivariate, algorithmic]

preictal alarm:

Outliers rate > threshold
(in short time window)



Patient B

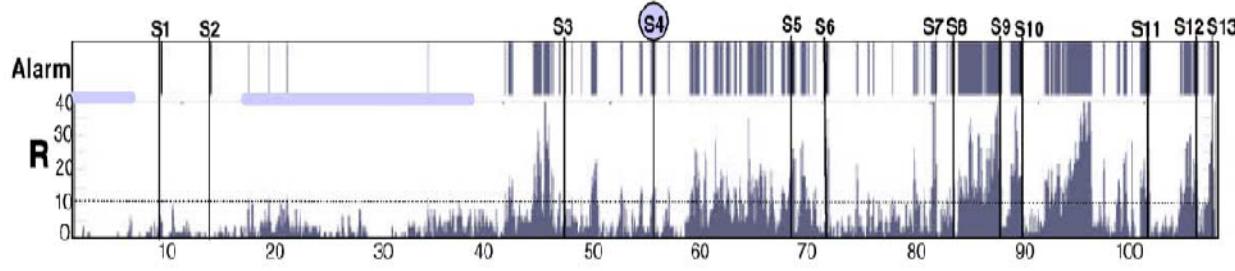


Prediction horizon >3h

Sensitivity 69%

Many FP

No statistical validation



[Le Van Quyen et al, 2005]

Outline

- Seizure prediction **problem**, approaches
- International Seizure Prediction Group:
 - actors
 - dataset (clinical facts, preprocessing)
 - goals
- How to ensure seizure **predictability**?
 - ROC, sensitivity, specificity
 - Statistical: Seizure Time Surrogates
 - Algorithmic: training vs. testing dataset
- **Linear univariate** techniques
 - (Accumulated) energy [Esteller, Harrison]
- **Linear bivariate** techniques
 - Fitting autoregressive model [Jouny]
 - Cross-correlation [Mormann]
- **Non-linear bivariate** techniques
 - Non-linear systems
 - Dynamical entrainment [Iasemidis]
 - Nonlinear interdependence [Arhnold]
 - Phase locking
 - Phase synchronization [Le Van Quyen]
- Our research: **classification of bivariate dynamical patterns**

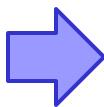
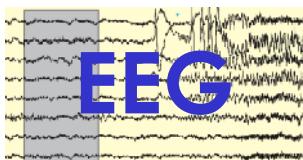
Classification of dynamical bivariate features (1)

EEG data

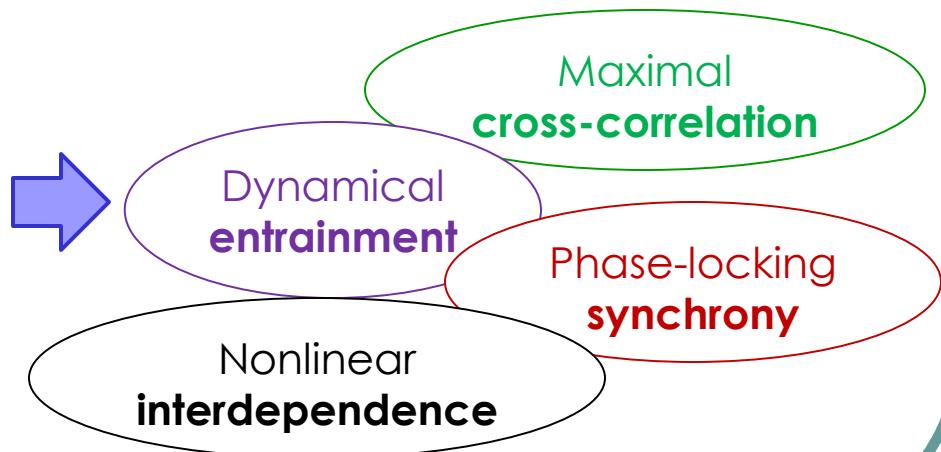
- **Public EEG database** at Albert-Ludwigs-Universität in **Freiburg**
 - 21 patients
- **NYUMed EEG database** (supplied by Vanessa Arnedo, Ruben Kuzniecky)
 - So far **4 patients**

Patient 1	112 iEEG (56 in bipolar)	5 days	4 seizures	Left frontal epilepsy focus
Patient 2	126 iEEG (63 in bipolar)	12 days	7 seizures	Lateral frontal epilepsy focus

Step 1:



Generate
from EEG,
every 5sec,
bivariate features



Classification of dynamical bivariate features (2)

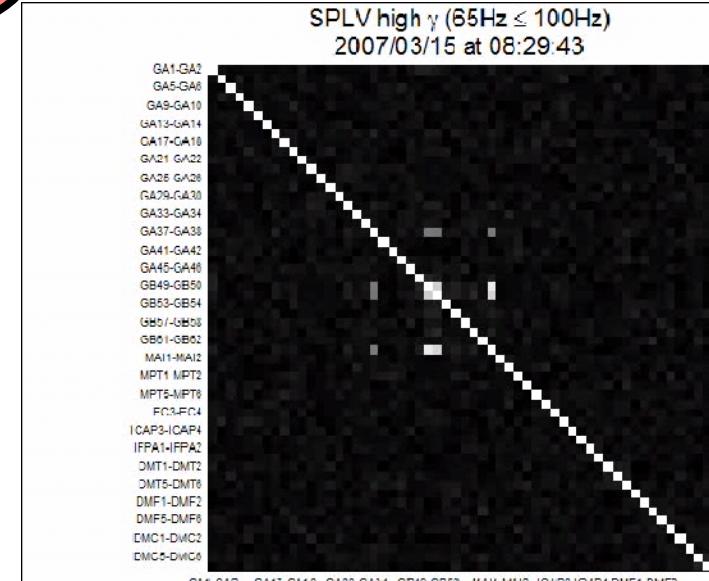
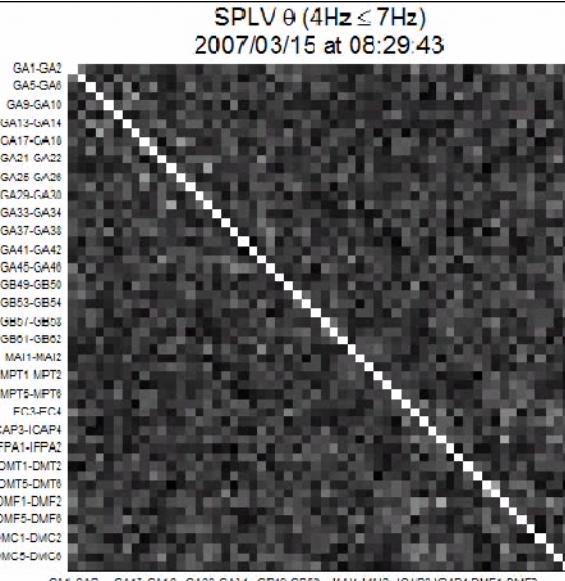
Step 2:

Phase-locking
synchrony

Group
bivariate features
into **short “movies”**
(1min or 5min)



Examples of **Ictal** **synchrony movies**



Classification of dynamical bivariate features (2)

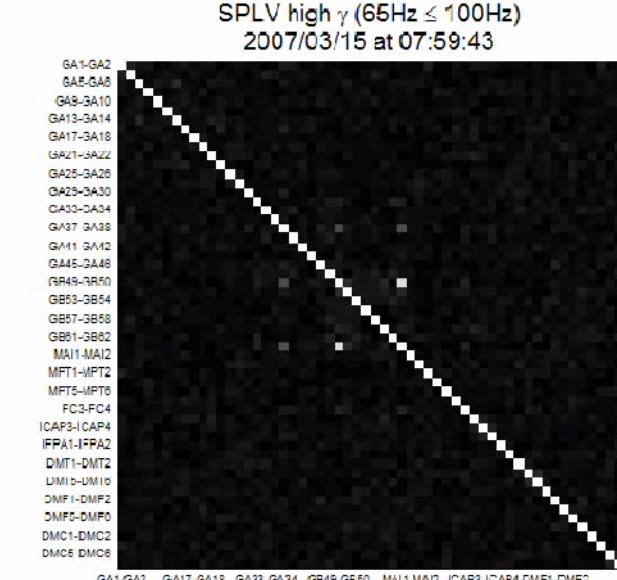
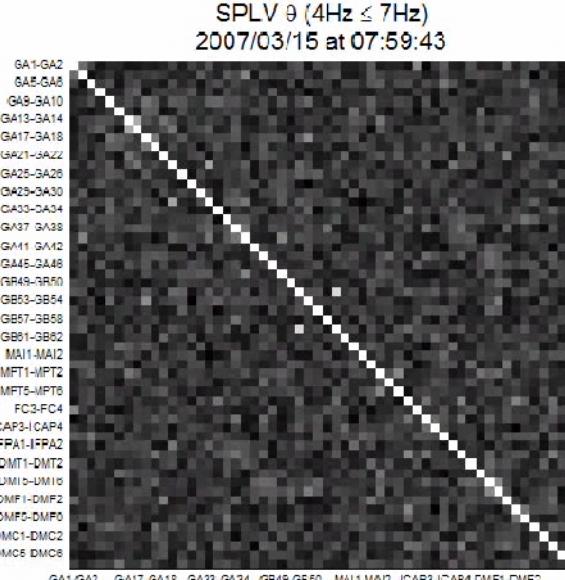
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Group
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Dynamical
Bivariate
Features

Examples of **Pre-ictal** **synchrony movies**



Classification of dynamical bivariate features (2)

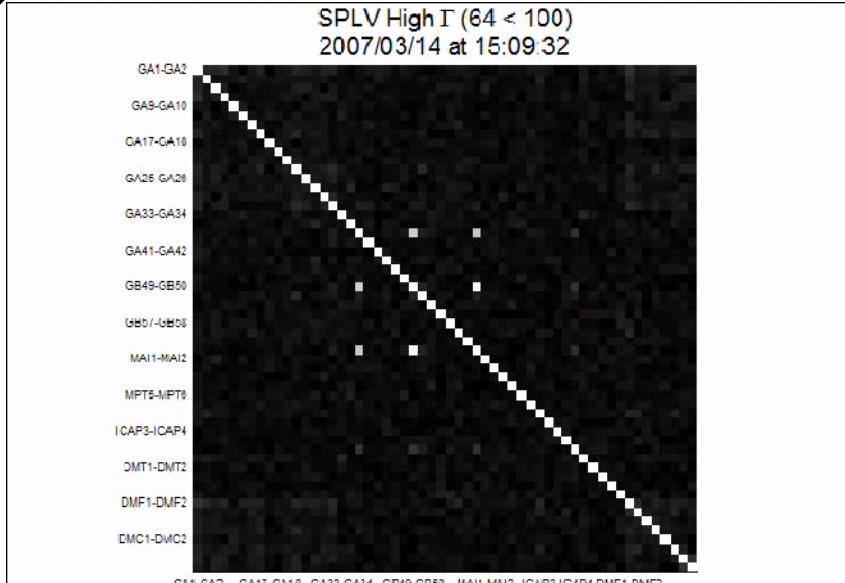
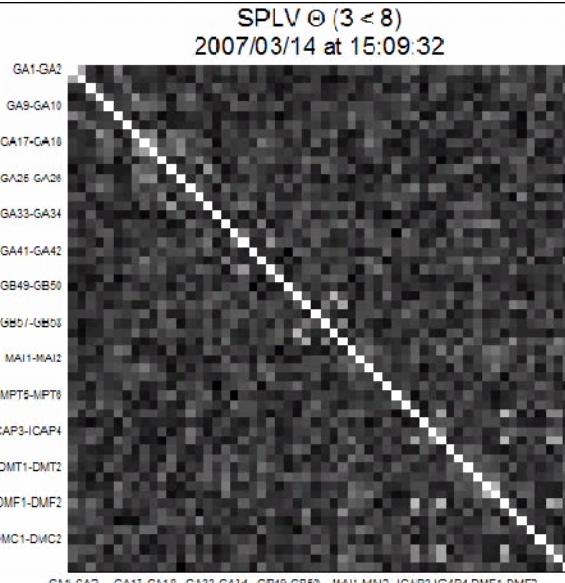
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Group
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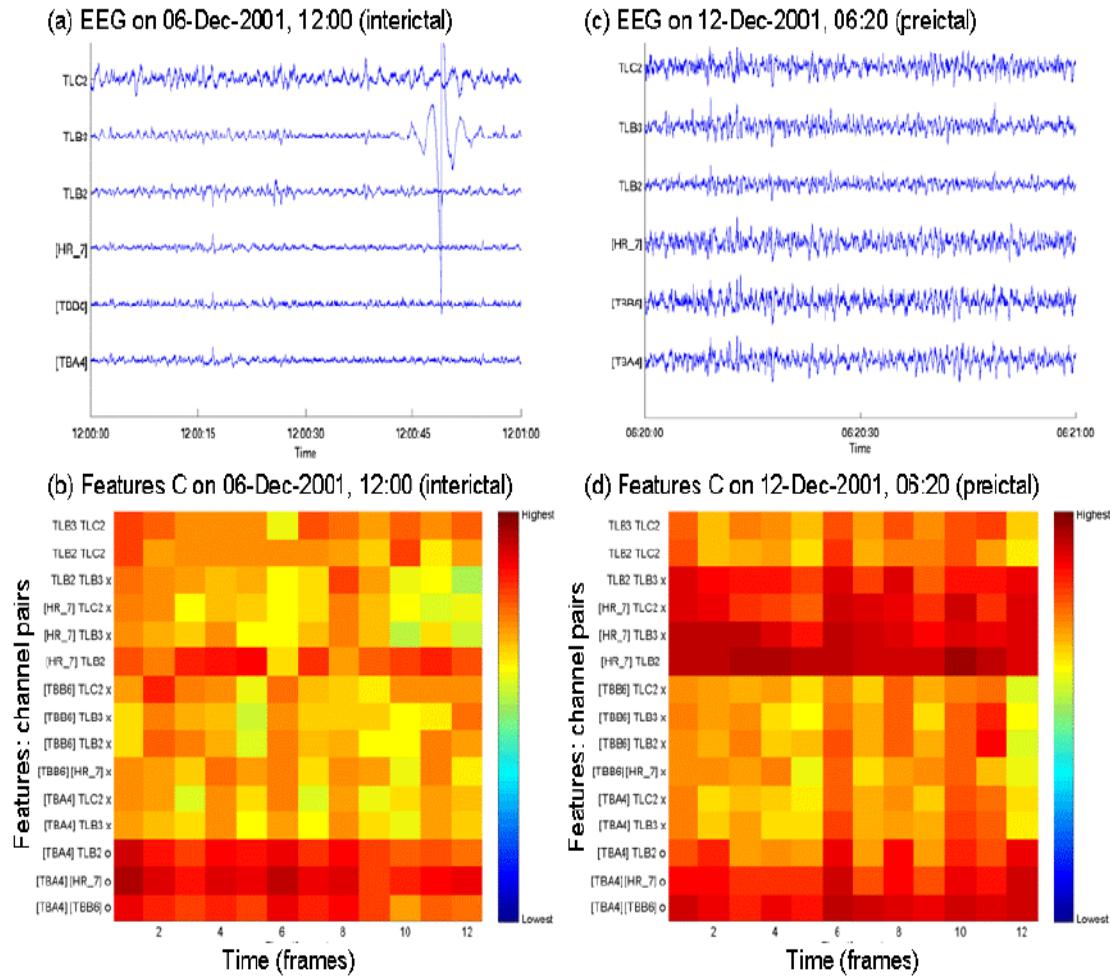
Dynamical
Bivariate
Features

Examples of **Interictal synchrony movies**



Classification of dynamical bivariate features (2)

- Example from **Freiburg** using:
 - 1min patterns (12 frames of 5sec)
 - Cross-correlation
 - 6 channels (3 onset zone, 3 outside) i.e. $6*5/2=15$ pairs
- **Freiburg** data:
4 types of patterns
- Non-frequential features:
 - Cross-correlation
 - Nonlinear interdependence
 - Difference of Lyapunov exponents
- 1min: $12*15=180$ features
- 5min: $60*15=900$ features
- Frequency-specific features (7 freq bands):
 - Phase locking synchrony
 - Entropy of phase difference
 - Wavelet coherence
- 1min: $12*15*7=1260$ features
- 5min: $60*15*7=6300$ features

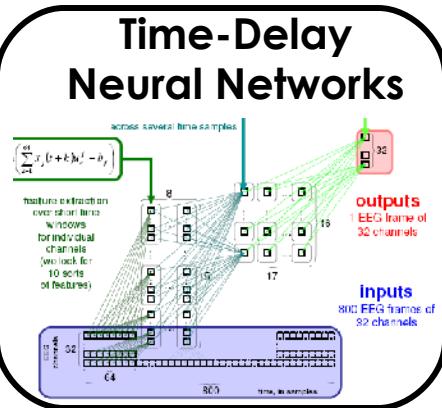
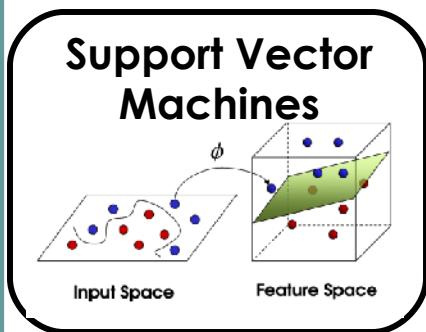


Classification of dynamical bivariate features (3)

Step 3:



Train and test
nonlinear classifiers
using
Machine Learning



Locally Linear Embedding

Optimally Sparse Codes



Unsupervised clustering

1. Uncover unique clusters
2. Optimize choice of features, movie length...



Supervised classification

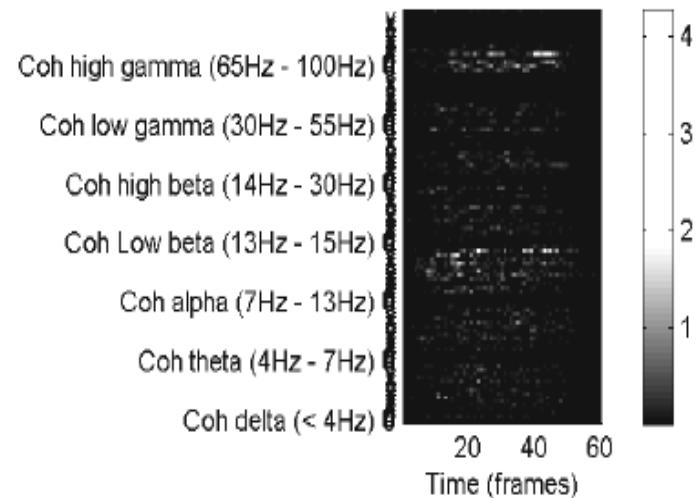
Interictal



Pre-ictal

Machine learning classification

- Neural networks:
 - Logistic regression
 - L1 regularization
 - Feature selection by looking at weights
 - Convolutional networks
 - L1 regularization
 - Feature selection by input sensitivity analysis
- SVM



Results on Freiburg dataset

	pat 1	pat 2	pat 3	pat 4	pat 5	pat 6	pat 7	pat 8	pat 9	pat 10	pat 11												
	tpr	ts1	tpr	ts1	tpr	ts1	ts2	tpr	ts1	tpr	ts1	ts2	tpr	ts1	ts2	tpr	ts1	ts2	tpr	ts1	ts2		
C	log	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	46		x	x	x	0	79	73	x	x			
	lenet5	0	68	0	40	x	x	0	54	61	0	25	52	x	x	0	56	x	x	x	x		
	svm	0.23	68	0	40	x	x	x	x	x	0.12	66	0	36	x	x	x	0.12	79	73	x	x	
S	log	x	x	x	0	48	3	0	54	61	x	x	x	x	0	56	x	x	x	x	x		
	lenet5	0	68	0	40	0	48	3	0	54	61	x	x	x	x	0	56	x	x	0	51	78	
	svm	0.23	68	0	40	x	x	0.13	39	61	0	45	52	0.12	16	0	56	0	9	0.13	51	43	
DSTL	svm	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	39	51	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	0.24	9	3		
SPLV	log	0	68	0	40	0	48	3	0	54	61	x	x	x	0	66	0	56	x	x	0	57	
	lenet5	0	68	0	40	0	48	3	0	54	61	x	x	x	x	0	56	0	39	0	51	78	
	svm	0.12	68	0	40	0	48	3	0	54	41	x	x	x	0.12	66	0	56	x	x	0	51	78
H	log	x	x	0	40	0	48	3	0	54	61	x	x	x	x	0	56	x	x	0	51	78	
	lenet5	0	68	0	40	0	48	3	0	54	61	x	x	x	x	0	56	x	x	0	51	78	
	svm	0.23	68	0	40	0	48	3	0	54	61	x	x	x	0.12	66	0	56	x	x	0	51	78
Coh	log	0	68	0	40	0	48	3	0	54	61	x	x	x	0	66	0	56	x	x	0	51	78
	lenet5	0	68	0	40	0	48	3	0	54	61	0	45	52	0	71	0	56	0	44	0	51	78
	svm	0.12	68	0	40	0	48	3	0	54	61	0.12	66	0	56	x	x	0	51	78	0.24	79	73
	pat 12	pat 13	pat 14	pat 15	pat 16	pat 17	pat 18	pat 19	pat 20	pat 21													
	tpr	ts1	tpr	ts1	tpr	ts1	tpr	ts1	ts2	tpr	ts1	ts2	tpr	ts1	ts2	tpr	ts1	ts2	tpr	ts1	ts2		
C	log	0	25	0	2	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		
	lenet5	0	25	0	7	x	x	x	x	0	65	25	x	x	x	x	x	0	91	96	x	x	
	svm	0	25	x	x	x	x	x	x	0	60	20	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	0.12	99	70	
S	log	0	25	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		
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	svm	x	x	0.26	28	0	85	0	60	5	x	x	x	0.23	15	90	x	x	x	x	0.12	99	75

An innovative approach

1. **Integrate dynamical data**
i.e. evolution of synchronization
2. **Nonlinear classification**
learnt from data (**machine learning**)
(instead of simple threshold-based decision)
3. **Feature selection**
which **channels** at which **frequencies** are discriminative of seizures?
4. **Remaining** problem:
 - **Time to seizure: what is the preictal duration?**
 - (Instead of interictal vs. preictal **classification**)
- Epilepsy Foundation grant proposal
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