
EDB4012- FYP Proposal Defense

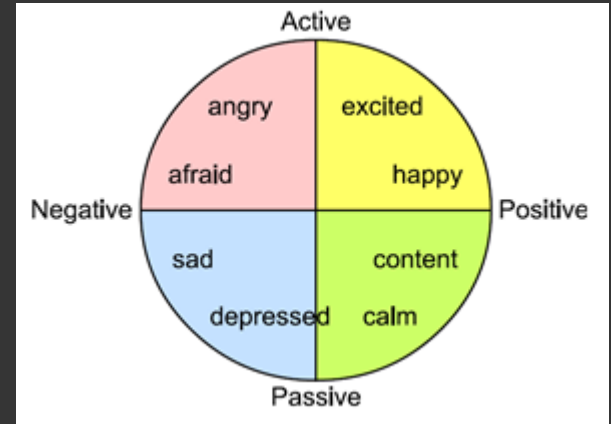
Title: Development of Apps to Improve Mood States

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Background of Study

What is Mood States ?

- Emotion
- Valence / Arousal



Statistic of Negative Mood States



- 1 Million of US Employees missed work due to stress (America Institute of Stress) ¹
- Mood Disorder causes 50 Billion USD /year in lost productivity and results in 321.2 M lost workdays (Kessler) ²

Why do We have to Improve Mood States?

Increase Productivity ₃

Improve Job Performance, Decision Making, Teamwork,
Leadership _{4 5}

Organisation will be More successful in a competitive market. ₆

Reduce Stress Related Disease ₇

Problem Statements

- Lack of Mood States Monitoring
- How to determine Mood States
- How to Improve Mood States

Objectives

- To develop mood state monitoring using portable fNIRS
- To design and develop task-based game application to improve mood state

Scope of Study

- Measurement of Mood States based on survey
- Brain Activities on different mood states
- Task use to stimulate brain
- Measurement of Brain Activities
- Methods to Improve Mood States

Critical analysis

- Mood States Assessment
- Brain Activities on different mood states
- fNIRS and other neuroimaging modalities
- Mood States Induction

Measurement of Mood States based on Survey

- Self- Assessment Manikin (SAM) ₈
- Positive Affect Negative Affect Schedule (PANAS) ₉
- Profile of Mood States(POMS) ₁₀

Mood States Assessment 8 9 10

Approach

Positive Affect Negative
Affect Schedule (PANAS)

Advantages

- 10 negative affect
- 10 positive affect
- Ease of usage to determine mood states

Disadvantages

Need to spend more time to complete the assessment compare to SAM

Task Use to Stimulate Brain

- Simple Arithmetic Task to stimulate brain ¹¹
- Measure brain using task-based activities
- Brain will be active when given a task

Brain Activities on Different Mood States 12 13 14 15

- Relation between asymmetry of prefrontal cortex activities during each mood states
- Compare the differences between fNIRS ,EEG, fMRI

Brain Activities on Different Mood States

Approach

fNIRS, EEG, fMRI

Paper Found

Major Depressive Disorder(fMRI) ¹³

Music Listening(EEG) ¹⁴

Urban Picture(fNIRS) ¹⁵

Common Traits

Valence Specific Hypothesis ¹²

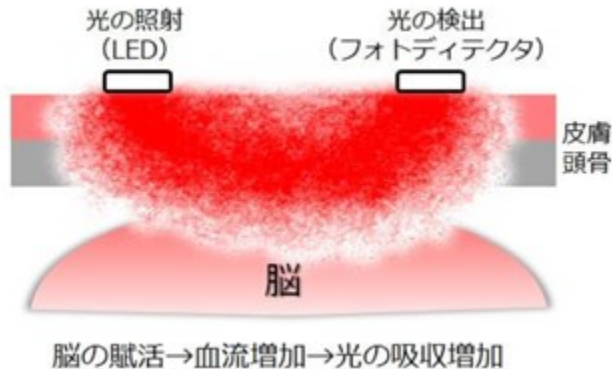
Right PFC- Negative Mood

Left PFC- Positive Mood

Measurement of Brain Activities

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- fNIRS, fMRI, EEG
- Portable fNIRS



fNIRS and Other Modalities

Approach

fNIRS

Advantages

Portable, Low Costs.

Good Signal-Noise Ratio

Non-Invasiveness

Less movement constraint

Disadvantages

Low spatial resolution than fMRI and PET ¹⁶

Low temporal resolution than EEG ¹⁷

Methods to Improve Mood States

- Self-Statements or Velten Procedure ¹⁸
- Music ¹⁹
- Autobiographical Recall ²⁰
- Films ²¹
- Photos (International Affective Picture Systems) ²²
- Use Virtual Reality with combination of Music and Photos to Improve Mood States ²³

Mood States Induction

Approach

Virtual Reality with Music
and Video ²³

Advantages

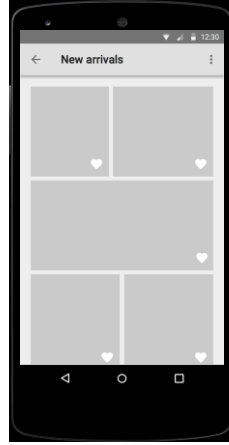
Immersive Experience

Wider range of mood
induction

Disadvantages

May cause motion sickness

Methodology



Hardware

- Portable fNIRS
- Android Phone with Gyroscope compatibility
- VR Headset
- Noise cancelling earphone

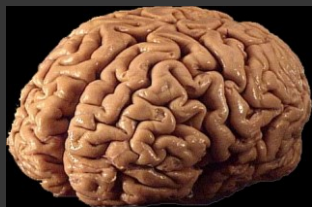


Software

- Android Studio
- Unity
- Sound Forge

System Overview

Dorsolateral Prefrontal Cortex



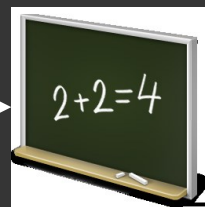
Portable fNIRS



PANAS Questionnaire



Arithmetic Task



Processing Asymmetry activity in brain



PANAS Questionnaire

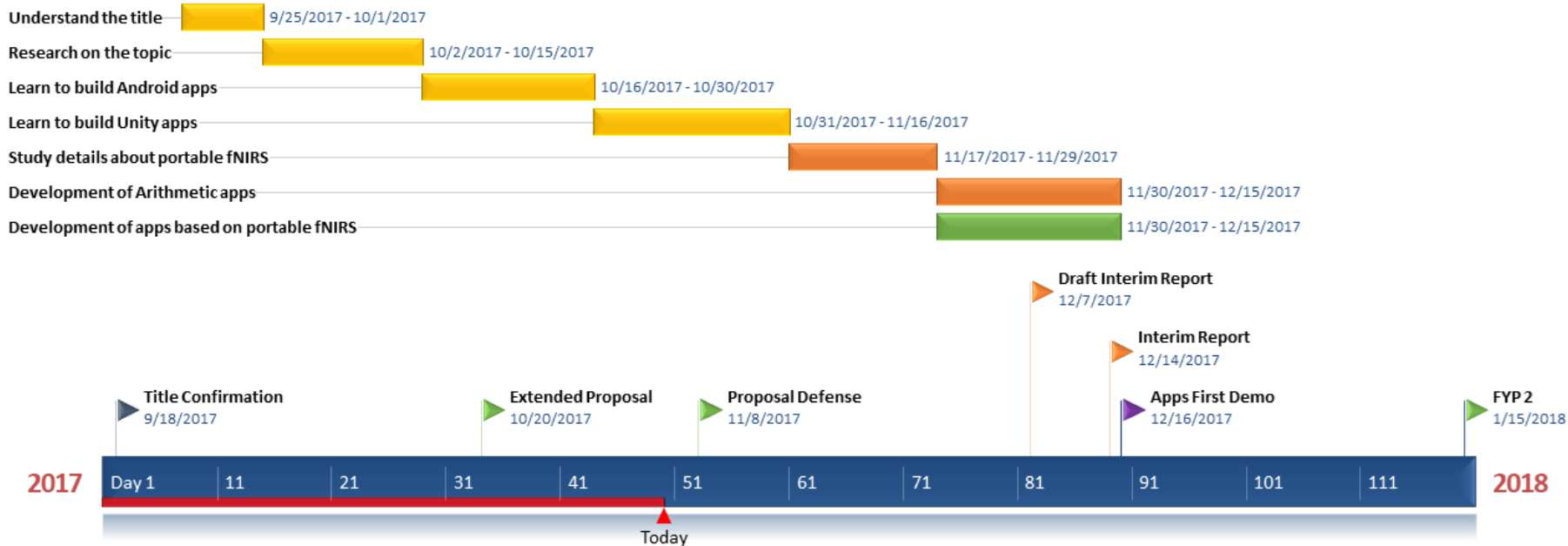


Processing Asymmetry activity in brain



Forest Virtual Reality

Key Project Milestone and Gantt Chart



Conclusion

Accomplished Work:

- Create Task-based application based on simple arithmetic to stimulate brain
- Acquire all the software and necessary library files

Future Work:

- Design and Create the virtual reality forest with nature sounds using Unity
- Tested the functionalities of portable fNIRS
- Link smartphone with portable fNIRS
- Obtain raw data from fNIRS to smartphone
- Analysis of data and troubleshooting

Expected Results:

- Mood state monitoring application
- Application to improve mood state



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Current Progress

Arithmetic Task

