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# Emergent Coordination Among Physiologic Systems: New Network Signatures for Physiologic State and Function

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### Self Introduction



### Outline

- Personal story  $\rightarrow$  fundamental question
- Strategy to approach the problem
- Example: Brain-heart interaction
- Example: Functional network of brain wave interaction
- Perspective on Network Physiology

# Thanks for inviting me!





#### <u>Fetal Heart Rate – Uterine Contraction</u>

- 1. Coordination between outputs carry important information
- 2. Human limitation
- 3. Teach the computer to monitor these for us?

### Strategy

• Step 1: "Pick the right problem"

→ Quantify *functional connectivity (emergent coordination)* at the output signal level and explore its relation with physiologic state/function

- Step 2: "Inspect the data"
- $\rightarrow$  What are the common characteristics shared in physiological signals?
- Step 3: "Assume 0"
- $\rightarrow$  Extended cross-correlation measure
- Step 4: "Randomize"
- $\rightarrow$  Surrogate test and robustness across subjects

### Emergent coordination at the signal level



- Focus on the dynamics of physiologic systems, not on homeostasis
- Exploratory investigation without hypothesis
- Focus on functional connectivity, not on coupling functions

### Coordinated busting activities



- Coordination is commonly observed across diverse systems
- Busting activity is important



Lin A, et al. 2016 Phil. Trans. R. Soc. A 374: 20150182.

### Delay-Correlation Landscape



#### Time delays between physiologic systems

Maximum <u>Coordination</u>  $C(\tau_{MC}, t) = \max |C(\tau, t)|$ Positive Correlation  $C(\tau_{PC}, t) = \max C(\tau, t)$ Negative Correlation  $C(\tau_{NC}, t) = \min C(\tau, t)$ 



Lin A, et al. 2016 Delay-correlation landscape reveals characteristic time delays of brain rhythms and heart interactions. *Phil. Trans. R. Soc. A* **374**: 20150182.

#### Characteristic time delays of brain-heart interaction



#### Robust pattern across subjects



### Characteristic time delays of brain-heart interaction



#### Brain-heart interaction across physiologic states



Time-delay stability



Liu KKL, et al (2015) Plasticity of brain wave network interactions and evolution across physiologic states. *Front. Neural Circuits 9:62*.

#### Higher percentage of TDS $\rightarrow$ stronger interaction





#### Transition across sleep stages







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#### Visualization of channel specific sub-network



Fp1 Fp2  $\mathbf{C3}^{\sigma}$ 01 02

### Central Channel

- Parallel links
- Symmetry
- Reorganization
- C3-C4 networks
- C-F > C-O
- Inter-channel Connectivity



## Frontal Channel

- FP1-FP2 interaction
- Frontal-Central interaction
- Wake high frequency
- Light Sleep low frequency
- REM and DS Disconnected Frontal-Occipital
- Connectivity



# Occipital Channel

- Sparse network
- Wake High frequency
- REM and DS Disconnected Frontal-Occipital
- Inter-channel Connectivity





#### Functional network of brain waves coordination







### Summary



## New perspective on Network Physiology



• Structural connectivity:

 $\rightarrow$  "defined by the existence of a physical link"

• Effective connectivity:

 $\rightarrow$  "defined as influence one system exerts over another, under a particular model of causal dynamics"

- Functional connectivity:
- $\rightarrow$  "Referred to statistical dependences between systems"

Stankovski et al, Coupling functions: Universal insights into dynamical interaction mechanisms arXiv:1706.01810v1

#### New perspective on Network Physiology

Structural Connectivity (physical networks)



Structural brain network

Functional brain network

## Functional and Effective Connectivity



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