# **DCM for Time Frequency**

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# **DCM for Induced Responses**



- measuring connectivity
- linear (within frequency coupling) or/and non-linear (cross frequency coupling)



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# **DCM** for fMRI Single region $z_1 = a_{11}z_1 + cu_1$ $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{U}}_1$ С $\mathcal{U}_1$ a<sub>11</sub> $z_1$

# Multiple regions



# Modulatory inputs



# **Reciprocal connections**



Intrinsic (within-source) coupling  

$$\tau \dot{g}(t) = \tau \begin{bmatrix} \dot{g}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \dot{g}_J \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^{\downarrow} & \cdots & A_{1J} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{J1}^{\uparrow} & \cdots & A_{JJ} \end{bmatrix} g(t) + \begin{bmatrix} C_1 \\ \vdots \\ C_J \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$
Extrinsic (between-source) coupling

Linear (within-frequency) coupling



Nonlinear (between-frequency) coupling

#### Original



#### Reconstructed from 4 modes



- In theory, we can consider the states as spectral densities at a discrete number of frequencies.
- In practice, we use only several significant singular components (modes) obtained by SVD of the spectral responses over time and sources so that we reduce the problem to modelling only the coupling among modes that cover all frequencies in different proportions.



# Frequency





### Time

# The coupling between two regions can be seen as a function of source and target frequencies



# Modulatory connections



# **MEG** Data



### The "core" system

x = -39 x = 42

$$y = -51$$
$$z = -24$$

$$y = -45$$
$$z = -27$$









y = -81z = -15





### Model Inference

• Both forward and backward connections are nonlinear



# Parameter Inference: gamma affects alpha



During face processing

Right backward inhibitory – suppressive effect of gamma-alpha coupling in backward connections

### Parameter Inference: gamma affects alpha



SPM *t* df 72; FWHM 7.8 x 6.5 Hz



From 32 Hz (gamma) to 10 Hz (alpha) t = 4.72; p = 0.002

"Gamma activity in input areas induces slower dynamics in higher areas as prediction error is accumulated. Nonlinear coupling in highlevel area induces gamma activity in that higher area which then accelerates the decay of activity in the lower level. This decay is manifest as damped alpha oscillations."

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For studying synchronization among brain regions Relate change of phase in one region to phase in others



# **One Oscillator**

 $\dot{\phi}_1 = f$ 



# **Two Oscillators**



# **Two Coupled Oscillators**



$$\dot{\phi}_2 = f - 0.3 \sin(\phi_2 - \phi_1)$$



# **Different initial phases**





# Stronger coupling





# **Bidirectional coupling**



$$\phi_2 = f - 0.3\sin(\phi_2 - \phi_1)$$





 $\dot{\phi}_i = f_i - \sum_j a_{ij} \sin(\phi_i - \phi_j)$ 





$$\dot{\phi}_i = f_i - \sum_k \sum_j a_{ijk} \sin(k[\phi_i - \phi_j]) - \sum_k \sum_j b_{ijk} \cos(k[\phi_i - \phi_j])$$

Phase interaction function is an arbitrary order Fourier series



 $\dot{\phi}_i = f_i - \sum_j a_{ij} \sin(\phi_i - \phi_j)$ 

Allow connections to depend on experimental condition

# **MEG Example**

#### Control condition



#### Memory condition



#### Fuentemilla et al, Current Biology, 2010

#### Delay activity (4-8Hz)

PPM at 4120 ms (64 percent confidence) 512 dipoles Percent variance explained 97.11 (70.51) log-evidence = 17412.2









# Questions

- Duzel et al. find different patterns of theta-coupling in the delay period dependent on task.
- Pick 3 regions based on [previous source reconstruction]
  - 1. Right MTL [27,-18,-27] mm 2. Right VIS [10,-100,0] mm 3. Right IFG [39,28,-12] mm
- Fit models to control data (10 trials) and memory data (10 trials). Each trial comprises first 1sec of delay period.
- Find out if structure of network dynamics is Master-Slave (MS) or (Partial/Total) Mutual Entrainment (ME)
- Which connections are modulated by memory task ?

#### **Data Preprocessing**

- Source reconstruct activity in areas of interest (with fewer sources than sensors and known location, then pinv will do; Baillet 01)
- Bandpass data into frequency range of interest
- Hilbert transform data to obtain instantaneous phase
- Use multiple trials per experimental condition





Model

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#### Dynamic Causal Models for phase coupling

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This paper presents an extension of the Dynamic Causal Modelling (DCM) framework to the analysis of phase-coupled data. A weakly coupled oscillator approach is used to describe dynamic phase changes in a network of oscillators. The use of Bayesian model comparison allows one to infer the mechanisms underlying synchronization processes in the brain. For example, whether activity is driven by masterslave versus mutual entrainment mechanisms, Results are presented on synthetic data from physiological models and on MEG data from a study of visual working memory.

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