Sensor Space Analysis

OHBA MEG Analysis Workshop

- Induced analysis of the decision making period:
 - source reconstruction
 - *epoching*: time-locked to when the response is given
 - compute the *average evoked power* (the induced response, ERD/ERS) from 1-12Hz
 - group averaged over 30 subjects



Hunt et al., Nature Neuroscience, 2012.



Talk Outline

- Analysing epoched task data in sensor space
- OSL (OHBA's Software Library):
 - OAT (OSL's Analysis Tool)

Epoched Data Example

• Faces versus motorbikes

- → 240 trials (epochs) of presenting pictures of faces
- I 20 trials (epochs) of presenting pictures of motorbikes
- We want to compare the responses timelocked to stimulus presentation (i.e. the Event-Related Fields (ERFs))





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3. Average over all trials to compute an average stimulus response, known as an ERF (Event Related Field)



time-within-trial (s)

Trial-wise multiple regression

ERFs can be also computed using separate multiple regressions at each sensor and timepoint



Trial-wise GLM



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Fitting over time = ERF



Fitting over sensors



GLM

Note that the GLM is a general framework, e.g. in which we can also fit continuous variables:



Hunt, Nature Neuroscience, 2012

Other stuff the GLM can do

- Continuous (e.g. behavioural) variables
- Time-frequency (induced response) analysis
- Linear, and higher order, trends between conditions
- Factorial designs (interaction effects)
- F-tests (combined explanatory power over multiple contrasts)
- Subject-wise GLMs at the group level (e.g. patients vs controls)
- See the FSL course FEAT/FMRI Preprocessing and Model-Based slides at:

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= $B_1 - B_2$



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t-statistic:

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* as we are doing a one-tailed t-test





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- First-level (within-session) analysis, using:
 - ➡ trial-wise GLM on epoched data
 - ➡ time-wise GLM on continuous data
- Group-level (between-subject) subject-wise GLM analysis

OAT Pipeline Stages



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- Settings are organised by the 4 distinct stages of the pipeline:
 - ➡ oat.source_recon, e.g.
 - ➡ oat.first_level (GLM within-session analysis)
 - oat.subject_level (within-subject averaging)
 - ➡ oat.group_level (GLM subject-wise analysis)



OAT Setup

- The oat gets stored in the directory specified in oat.source_recon.dirname, with a '.oat' suffix
- A previously setup/run *oat* can be loaded into Matlab with:
 - oat.source_recon.dirname='/path/oatname';
 - oat=osl_load_oat(oat);

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- To do an ERF analysis set oat.first_level.tf_method='none'
- To do a Time-Frequency (TF) induced response analysis set oat.first_level.tf_method='hilbert' % or 'morlet'

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 - oat.to_do=[1 1 0 0]; only runs source_recon and first-level stages



OAT output

- After running, the *oat* struct contains filenames of the outputs for each stage of the pipeline:
 - oat.source_recon.results_fnames
 - ➡ oat.first_level.results_fnames
 - oat.subject_level.results_fnames
 - oat.group_level.results_fnames



- These can be loaded into Matlab, e.g. to load session 2's first level results use the call:
 - ➡ res=osl_load_oat_results(oat, oat.first_level.results_fnames{2})

Viewing OAT output

 It is highly recommended that you inspect oat.results.report (an HTML page), to ensure that OAT has run successfully (See the practical)

- In sensor space, use:
 - Use osl_stats_multiplotER and osl_stats_multiplotTFR to call Fieldtrip interactive topoplots
 - The two orientations of the *MEGPLANARs* are combined (in the first_level stage) by rectifying and adding



Practical

Sensor space trial-wise GLM using OAT on **epoched** task data:

- a) Time-domain (ERF) analysis
- b) Time-frequency (induced response) analysis