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# Machine Learning Algorithms for Electromagnetic Brain Imaging: Application in Alzheimer's disease

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## Electromagnetic Brain imaging - Reconstruction of neural oscillations from non-invasive recordings (MEG & EEG) of brain's electrophysiological activity

Data  $y(t)$

Source  $x(t)$

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## Bayesian Reconstruction of Brain Networks

### ▪ Past work

- Formulation of the source reconstruction problem as sparse regression problem
  - Robust sparse signal estimation
  - Independent Noise estimates available

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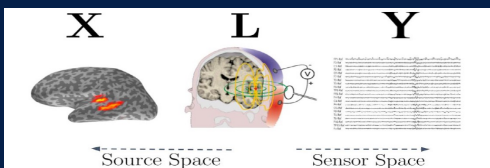
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## Electromagnetic Brain Imaging as Sparse Linear Regression

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{E} & \text{Linear regression problem} \\
 \mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times T} & M: \# \text{Sensors}, T: \# \text{Samples}, \\
 \mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times T} & N: \# \text{Sources}, (M \ll N) \\
 \mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{M \times N} & \text{Lead Field Matrix (Known)}
 \end{array}$$



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## Type I vs Type II Estimation

Ill-posed inverse problem: ( $M = 32 \sim 256$  vs  $N = 10^3 \sim 10^4$ )

- Type-I MAP methods:  $\ell_1, \ell_2, \ell_{1,2}$ -norms, sparsity in transformed domains (Gabor).

$$\mathbf{X}^* = \underset{\mathbf{X}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \underbrace{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{L}\mathbf{X}\|_F^2}_{\text{Likelihood: } p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X})} + \lambda \underbrace{\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{X})}_{\text{Prior: } p(\mathbf{X})}$$

- Type-II ML approaches: different sparse Bayesian learning (SBL) variants.

$$\text{Type-II Loss: } \mathcal{L}^{\text{II}}(\mathbf{T}, \mathbf{A}) = \log|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{L}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{L}^T| + \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{y}(t)^T (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{L}\mathbf{T}\mathbf{L}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{y}(t).$$

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## Bayesian Reconstruction of Brain Networks

### Recent work

- Formulation of the source reconstruction problem as sparse regression problem
  - Sparse signal estimation
  - Simultaneous Noise estimation
- Novel and robust Bayesian algorithms for joint estimation of signal and noise

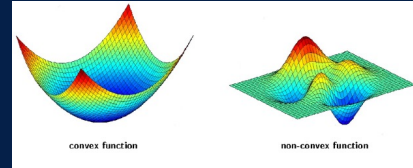
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## Champagne Algorithm - Joint Signal and Noise Learning

$$\text{Type-II Loss: } \mathcal{L}^{\text{II}}(\Gamma, \Lambda) = \log|\Lambda + \mathbf{L}\Gamma\mathbf{L}^T| + \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \mathbf{y}(t)^T (\Lambda + \mathbf{L}\Gamma\mathbf{L}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{y}(t).$$

• Non-convex Type-II ML loss function: Non-trivial to solve.



Our contributions: The Champagne Algorithm - Joint Estimation of regression parameters and noise distributions with diagonal and full structure covariance with Type II loss.

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## Leveraging Majorization-Minimization Framework for Joint Signal and Noise Learning

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Robust estimation of noise for electromagnetic brain imaging with the champagne algorithm

Chang Cai<sup>a,b,\*</sup>, Ali Hashemi<sup>a,b,c</sup>, Mithun Diwakar<sup>a</sup>, Stefan Haufe<sup>a,c</sup>, Kensuke Sekihara<sup>a,b</sup>, Srikanth S. Nagarajan<sup>a,b,c</sup>

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Unification of sparse Bayesian learning algorithms for electromagnetic brain imaging with the majorization minimization framework

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## Majorization-Minimization Framework

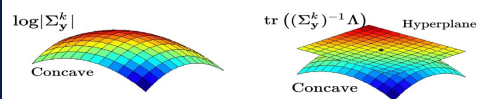
### Theorem

Optimizing  $\mathcal{L}^{\text{II}}(\Gamma, \Lambda)$  with respect to  $\Lambda$  is equivalent to optimizing the following majorizing function:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{majorize}}^{\text{conv}}(\Gamma^k, \Lambda) = \text{tr}((\mathbf{C}_N^k)^{-1} \Lambda) + \text{tr}(\mathbf{M}_N^k \Lambda^{-1}),$$

where  $\mathbf{C}_N^k$  and  $\mathbf{M}_N^k$  are defined as:

$$\mathbf{C}_N^k := (\Sigma_{\mathbf{y}}^k), \quad \mathbf{M}_N^k := \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T (\mathbf{y}(t) - \mathbf{L}\bar{\mathbf{x}}^k(t))(\mathbf{y}(t) - \mathbf{L}\bar{\mathbf{x}}^k(t))^T.$$



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### Extensions to Full-rank and Spatiotemporal Noise Models

35th Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS 2021), Sydney, Australia.

**Efficient hierarchical Bayesian inference for spatio-temporal regression models in neuroimaging**

Ali Hashemi<sup>1,2</sup>, Yijing Gao<sup>3</sup>, Chang Cai<sup>1,4</sup>, Sanjay Ghosh<sup>5</sup>, Klaus-Robert Müller<sup>2,3,4,5</sup>, Srikantan S. Nagarajan<sup>1</sup>, and Stefan Haufe<sup>1,3,5,10</sup>

EMBM, UCSF, NIPS, IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON MEDICAL IMAGING, VOL. XX, NO. XX, XXXX 2022

**Joint Learning of Full-structure Noise in Hierarchical Bayesian Regression Models**

Ali Hashemi, Chang Cai, Yijing Gao, Sanjay Ghosh, Klaus-Robert Müller, Member, IEEE, Srikantan S. Nagarajan, Fellow, IEEE, and Stefan Haufe

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**Bayesian algorithms for joint estimation of brain activity and noise in electromagnetic imaging**

Chang Cai, Hulcong Kang, Ali Hashemi, Dan Chen, Member, IEEE, Mithun Diwakar, Stefan Haufe, Kensuke Sekihara, Fellow, IEEE, Wei Wu, Senior Member, IEEE, and Srikantan S. Nagarajan, Fellow, IEEE

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### Full Structure Noise Estimation: Geodesic Convexity on Riemannian Manifolds

**Theorem**

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Full-Str. Noise}}^{\text{conv}}(\Gamma^k, \Lambda)$  is geodesically convex with respect to the P.D. manifold, and its optimal solution with respect to  $\Lambda$  can be attained according to the following update rule:

$$\Lambda^{k+1} \leftarrow (\mathbf{C}_N^k)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( (\mathbf{C}_N^k)^{-1/2} \mathbf{M}_N^k (\mathbf{C}_N^k)^{-1/2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} (\mathbf{C}_N^k)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

which leads to a majorization-minimization (MM) algorithm with convergence guarantees  $\rightsquigarrow$  Full-structural noise (FUN) learning algorithm.

- $\mathbf{C}_N^k := (\Sigma_N^k)$
- $\mathbf{M}_N^k := \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T (\mathbf{y}(t) - \mathbf{L}\mathbf{x}^k(t))(\mathbf{y}(t) - \mathbf{L}\mathbf{x}^k(t))^T$

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### Reconstructing Auditory Cortices

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### Bayesian extensions to Beamformers

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**Bayesian adaptive beamformer for robust electromagnetic brain imaging of correlated sources in high spatial resolution**

Chang Cai, Yuanshun Long, Sanjay Ghosh, Ali Hashemi, Yijing Gao, Mithun Diwakar, Stefan Haufe, Kensuke Sekihara, Fellow, IEEE, Wei Wu, Senior Member, IEEE, and Srikantan S. Nagarajan, Fellow, IEEE

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## Sparse Bayesian Learning Regularization

Model Covariance

$$\Sigma_Y = L\alpha L^T + \Lambda$$

SBL Beamformer

$$\hat{w}_n^{SBL-BF} = \Sigma_Y^{-1} l_n (l_n^T \Sigma_Y^{-1} l_n)^{-1}$$

- Alternative to Statistically Regularized Beamformers
- Robust to Source Correlations

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## Time-frequency Extensions

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Empirical Bayesian localization of event-related time-frequency neural activity dynamics

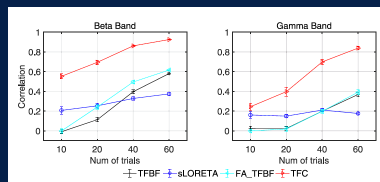
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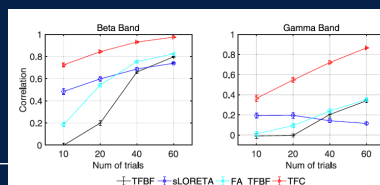
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## Robust reconstruction of Task-induced Oscillations

Finger movement



Picture Naming



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## Reconstruction Algorithms - Summary

- Robust reconstruction of spontaneous and task-induced frequency specific brain oscillations can be achieved with sparse Bayesian learning algorithms that include joint signal and noise estimation

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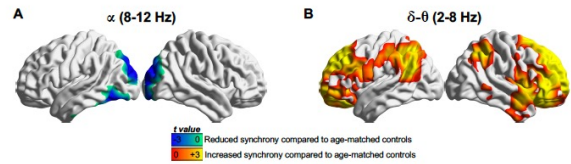
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## Frequency specific abnormal long-range neural synchrony in Alzheimer's disease



Information similar to that obtained from two radionucleotide PET imaging

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ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Neurophysiological signatures in Alzheimer's disease are distinctly associated with TAU, amyloid- $\beta$  accumulation, and cognitive decline

Kamalini G. Ranasinghe<sup>1\*</sup>, Jungho Cha<sup>1</sup>, Leonardo Iacarino<sup>1</sup>, Leighton B. Hinkley<sup>1</sup>, Alexander J. Raegele<sup>1</sup>, Julia Pham<sup>1</sup>, William J. Jagust<sup>1</sup>, Bruce L. Miller<sup>1</sup>, Katherine P. Rankin<sup>1</sup>, Gil D. Rabinovici<sup>1</sup>, Keith A. Vossel<sup>1,2</sup>, Srikanth S. Nagarajan<sup>1,2</sup>

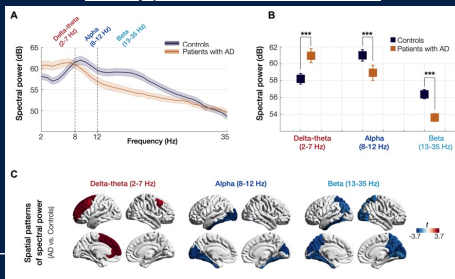
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## Abnormal local-neural synchrony in AD

Altered excitatory and inhibitory neuronal subpopulation parameters are distinctly associated with tau and amyloid in Alzheimer's disease

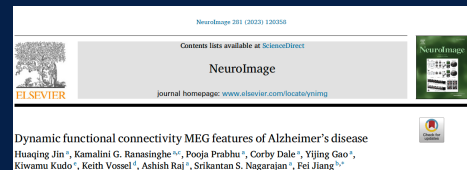
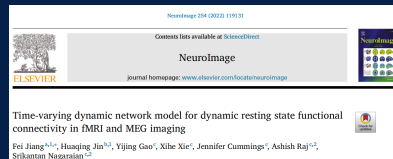
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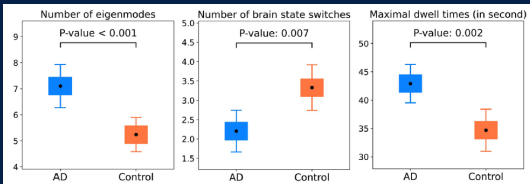
## Exploring temporal dynamics of resting-state in AD



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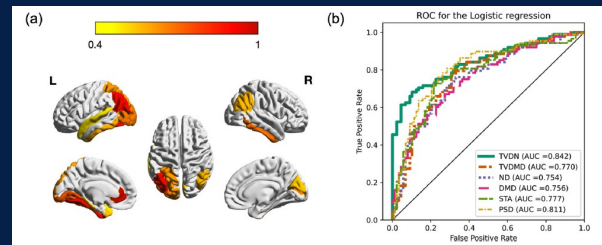
## Dynamic features are abnormal in AD



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## Time-varying network dynamics predict AD



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## Summary

- Both local and long-range neural synchrony is disrupted in dementia
- Time-varying network dynamic abnormalities are important features of AD

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## Neurophysiological trajectories in Alzheimer's disease progression

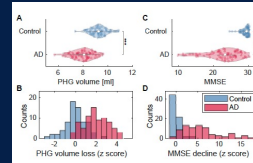
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## Atrophy-Cognition Event-based Modeling (EBM)



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## Event Based Modeling

$$P(Z|S) = \prod_{j=1}^J \sum_{k=1}^{N+1} p(t_j = k|S) p(Z_j|S, t_j = k),$$

$$p(Z_j|S, t_j = k) \propto \prod_{i=1}^J \exp\left(-\frac{(z_{ij} - \mu_i(k))^2}{2}\right).$$

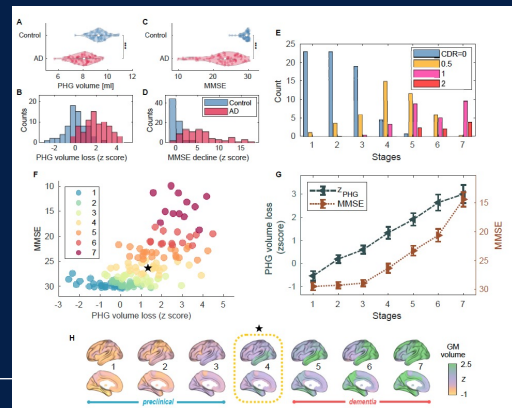
$$p(t_j = k|Z_j, \bar{S}) = \frac{p(Z_j|\bar{S}, t_j = k)}{\sum_{k'} p(Z_j|\bar{S}, t_j = k')}$$

$$\bar{x}_i(k) = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^J p_j(k) \cdot x_{ij}}{\sum_{j=1}^J p_j(k)}$$

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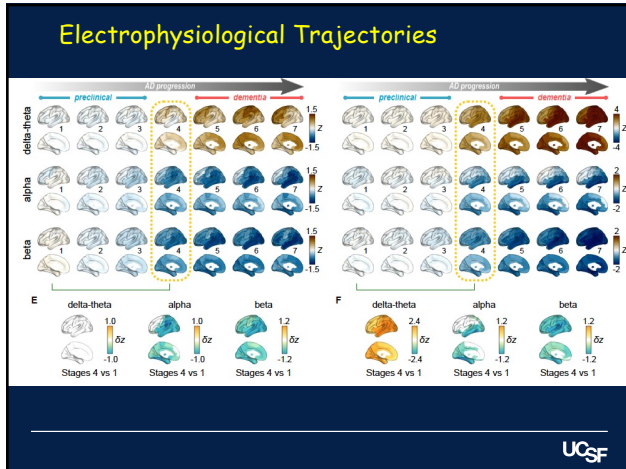
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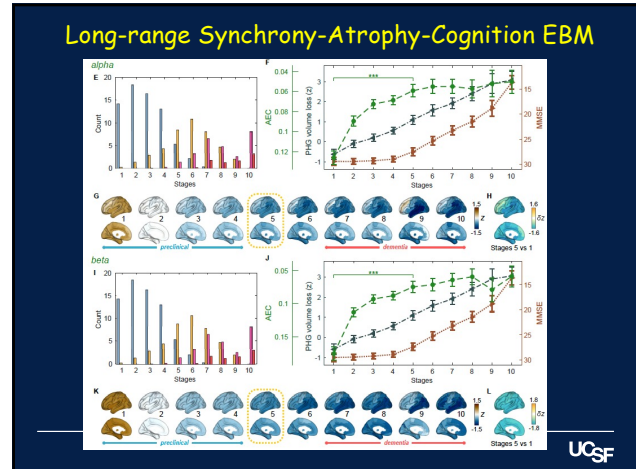
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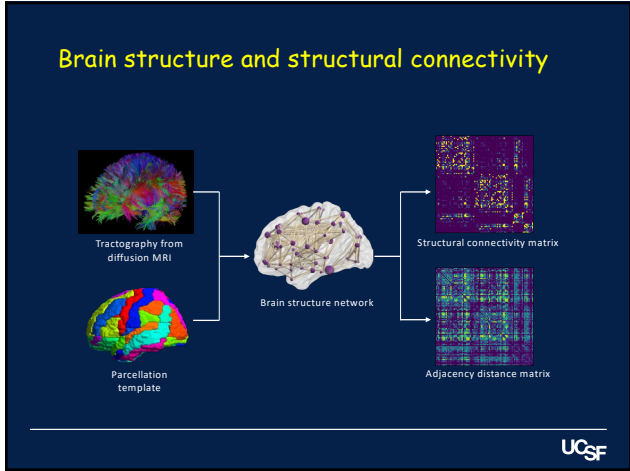
- Long-range neural synchrony in the alpha and beta bands represent the earliest manifestation of Alzheimer's disease progression

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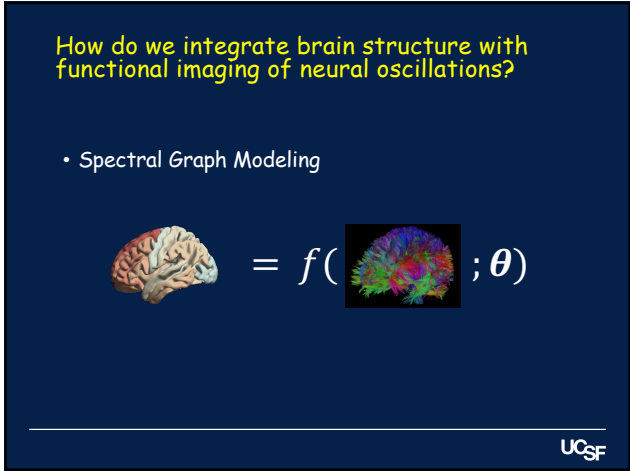
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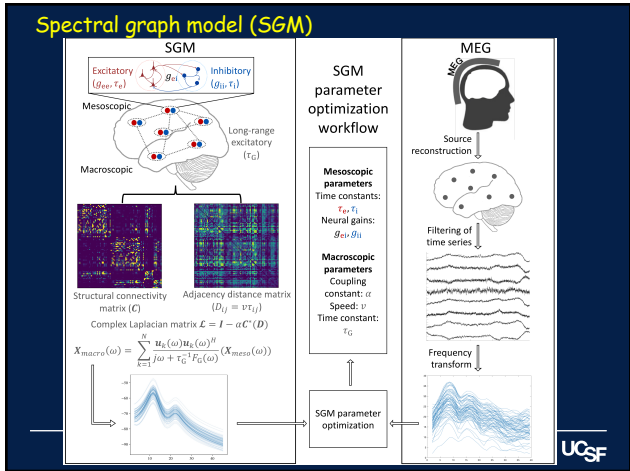
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### Spectral Graph Modeling Publications

RESEARCH ARTICLE

Spectral graph theory of brain oscillations

Ashish Raj<sup>1,2</sup> | Chang Cai<sup>3</sup> | Xhe Xie<sup>4</sup> | Eva Palacios<sup>5</sup> | Julia Owen<sup>6</sup> | Pratik Mukherjee<sup>1,7</sup> | Srikanth Nagesan<sup>1,8</sup>

Emergence of canonical functional networks from the structural connectome

Elie Roux<sup>1</sup>, Cheng Chi<sup>2</sup>, Pablo F. Dussanmont<sup>3</sup>, Sébastien S. Nagesan<sup>4,5</sup>, Ashish Raj<sup>6,7</sup>

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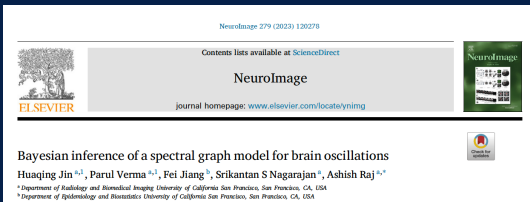
Stability and dynamics of a spectral graph model of brain oscillations

Parul Verma, Srikanth Nagesan, Ashish Raj

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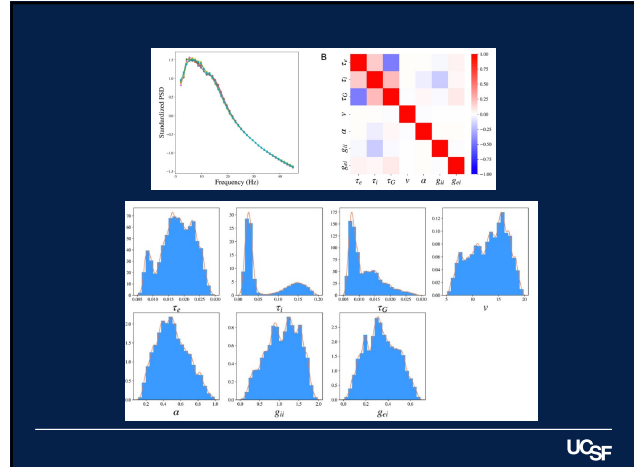
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## Machine Learning for Bayesian Inference of SGM



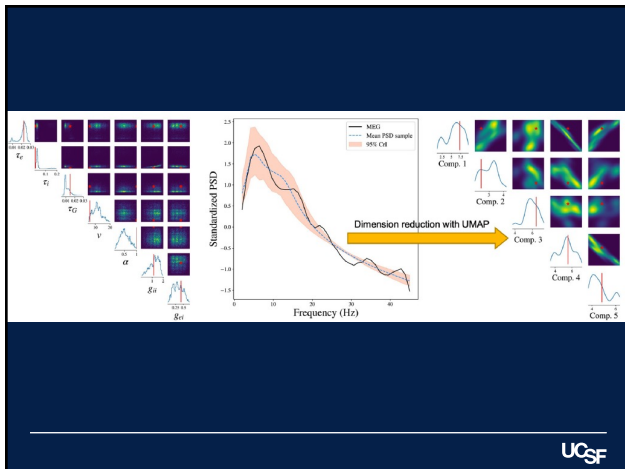
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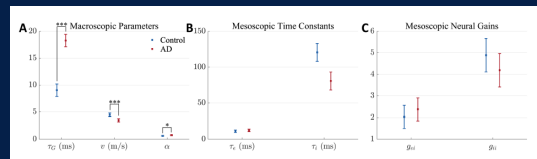
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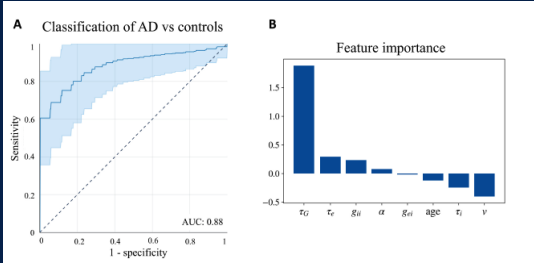
## SGM inferred parameters in AD



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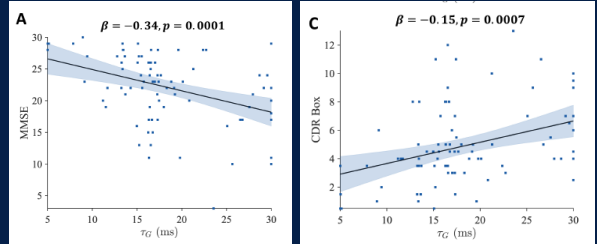
### Discriminability of AD from SGM parameters



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### Association of SGM parameters with cognitive decline



Increase in  $\tau_G$  is associated with more cognitive decline

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### Credits - Collaborators



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## Credits - Incredible team of past and current members of the UCSF-BIL!



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