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Nonlinear Characterization of EEG Under the Internal and External Stimuli

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Backgrounds and objective : EEG reflect dynamic changes of continuous neuronal activities by internal and external stimuli. The aim of this study is to quantify nonlinearly the local dynamic differences among EEG data corresponding to different states of brain.

Methods : EEG was recorded from twelve healthy normal subjects(mean age, 29.7 years; 8 men and 4 women) using digital EEG machine. 18-channel EEG data were selected during eyes closed(EC), eyes open(EO), and mental arithmetic(MA) in each subject. Correlation dimension(D2) and largest Lyapunov exponent(LLE) were calculated from three states and average value was mapped 2 dimensionally and compared with each other.

Results : The distribution of D2 was relatively symmetric and its value was higher in frontal than in parieto-occipital region during EC. These findings were reversed during EO. Bilateral centro-temporo-parietal region showed high D2 value in MA compared with those in EC, which was more prominent in left side. LLE was larger than zero in all state and showed significant differences among EC, EO and MA(p=0.000).

Conclusion : These results suggest that nonlinear analysis of EEG can quantify dynamic state of brain.

Key Words : Nonlinear analysis, EEG, correlation dimension, Lyapunov exponent



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Table 1. Mean D2 at 18 electrodes during 3 conditions: eyes closed, eyes open, and mental arithmetic with eyes closed

	EC		EC)	MA		
_	mean	SD	mean	SD	mean	SD	
Fp1	5.149708	0.409126	5.112733	0.656325	4.953258	0.262752	
F7	5.140283	0.438831	5.090058	0.472655	5.146567	0.312136	
T7	5.034308	0.413753	5.354075	0.408884	5.369092	0.51829	
P7	4.928175	0.408598	5.374208	0.345061	4.999242	0.424634	
F3	5.213517	0.385036	5.116183	0.618237	5.060225	0.634014	
C3	5.023733	0.518397	5.078817	0.511028	5.278275	0.524225	
P3	4.919933	0.503777	5.308083	0.487436	5.250367	0.601703	
01	4.831358	0.417729	5.096900	0.369975	5.032633	0.367579	
Fz	5.014250	0.448601	5.057850	0.433624	4.798883	0.615966	
Cz	5.235967	0.426831	5.162592	0.364349	5.081550	0.609899	
Fp2	4.965258	0.270140	5.176633	0.422090	4.912733	0.326237	
F8	5.126100	0.543444	5.172725	0.718580	4.968142	0.504405	
Т8	5.247583	0.561088	5.270825	0.469782	5.359617	0.396228	
P8	4.981433	0.307897	5.418758	0.379436	5.025200	0.713036	
F4	5.208867	0.390406	5.047608	0.693488	4.839592	0.383932	
C4	5.133742	0.526028	5.250458	0.537329	5.284433	0.631849	
P4	5.154333	0.308981	5.192392	0.422635	5.249617	0.429294	
O2	4.852142	0.243305	5.312875	0.381553	4.878608	0.525516	
Total	5.064483	0.429877	5.199654	0.489606	5.082669	0.514569	

EC; eyes closed, EO; eyes open, MA; mental arithmetic with eyes closed.

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Table 2. Mean LLE at 18 electrodes during 3 conditions: eye closed, eye open, and mental arithmetic with eye closed

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	EC		EC	C	МА	
	mean	SD	mean	SD	mean	SD
Fp1	2.46E-03	1.29E-03	1.85E-03	9.74E-04	2.19E-03	9.63E-04
F7	2.16E-03	8.83E-04	1.92E-03	8.81E-04	1.77E-03	7.23E-04
T7	2.83E-03	1.40E-03	2.43E-03	7.93E-04	3.56E-03	1.54E-03
P7	2.96E-03	6.45E-04	2.37E-03	6.32E-04	2.65E-03	7.53E-04
F3	2.61E-03	1.15E-03	2.66E-03	2.66E-03	2.31E-03	6.84E-04
C3	3.03E-03	1.04E-03	2.20E-03	1.22E-03	2.34E-03	8.46E-04
P3	2.50E-03	8.72E-04	2.53E-03	9.31E-04	2.36E-03	7.96E-04
01	2.80E-03	9.53E-04	2.06E-03	7.86E-04	2.53E-03	9.03E-04
Fz	2.38E-03	7.52E-04	1.93E-03	9.11E-04	2.06E-03	5.02E-04
Cz	2.53E-03	1.12E-03	1.90E-03	6.00E-04	2.48E-03	9.13E-04
Fp2	1.99E-03	8.02E-04	1.77E-03	7.56E-04	1.84E-03	6.26E-04
F8	2.26E-03	9.13E-04	1.33E-03	4.15E-04	1.77E-03	8.56E-04
Т8	2.65E-03	1.02E-03	2.42E-03	7.28E-04	3.27E-03	1.39E-03
P8	3.25E-03	1.17E-03	2.28E-03	9.92E-04	2.74E-03	8.73E-04
F4	2.38E-03	6.27E-04	2.02E-03	5.76E-04	2.49E-03	9.32E-04
C4	2.42E-03	7.79E-04	2.47E-03	1.12E-03	2.75E-03	1.24E-03
P4	2.95E-03	5.37E-04	3.08E-03	9.18E-04	2.66E-03	9.13E-04
O2	2.80E-03	1.30E-03	2.41E-03	1.02E-03	3.05E-03	9.41E-04
Total	2.61E-03	1.00E-03	2.20E-03	1.08E-03	2.49E-03	1.02E-03

EC; eyes closed, EO; eyes open, MA; mental arithmetic with eyes closed.

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Figure 1. 2D brain map of mean D2(a) and LLE(b) of 3 states: eyes closed(EC), eyes open(EO), and mental arithmetic(MA) with eyes closed



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