

Supplemental data for

Ultra-slow oscillations in fMRI and resting-state connectivity: Neuronal and vascular contributions and technical confounds

Supplemental Text Box 1 - Relation of R^2 to $|\tilde{C}(f)|$

Consider a model that predicts a dependent variable from an independent variable. The goodness of fit of a model is usually described by a single parameter, R^2 , which measures the portion of the variance in dependent variable that is predictable from the independent variable. For concreteness, let the dependent variable be the hemodynamic signal, denoted $H_i(t)$, and the independent variable be the neurological signal, denoted $N_i(t)$. The index i denotes the trial or epoch. Here we relate R^2 to the spectral coherence, $\tilde{C}(f)$, a common measure in signal analysis that reports the tendency of signals track each other within a frequency band centered at frequency f .

We consider a linear model for the filter $F(t)$ that transforms the neurological signal into a hemodynamic signal. The estimated hemodynamic signal is denoted $\hat{H}_i(t)$ and is given by

$$\hat{H}_i(t) = \int_0^t dx F(x) N_i(t-x).$$

In the frequency domain, standard arguments lead to

$$\tilde{F}(f) = \frac{\langle \tilde{N}(f) \tilde{H}^*(f) \rangle}{\langle |\tilde{N}(f)|^2 \rangle}$$

where $\langle \dots \rangle$ refers to averaging over all trials and spectral estimates and $\tilde{N}_i(f)$ and $\tilde{H}_i(f)$ are the Fourier transform of the neurological and hemodynamic signals, respectively. The filter $F(t)$ is used to estimate $\hat{H}_i(t)$ in R^2 , i.e.,

$$R^2 \equiv 1 - \frac{\int dt \langle (H(t) - \hat{H}(t))^2 \rangle}{\int dt \langle (H(t) - \langle H \rangle)^2 \rangle}.$$

This can be rewritten with the use of Parseval's theorem as

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\int df \langle |\tilde{H}(f) - \hat{\tilde{H}}(f)|^2 \rangle}{\int df \langle |\tilde{H}(f)|^2 \rangle} = \dots = \frac{\int df |\tilde{C}(f)|^2 \langle |\tilde{H}(f)|^2 \rangle}{\int df \langle |\tilde{H}(f)|^2 \rangle}.$$

We see that R^2 is monotonic with respect to the integral of the squared coherence, $|\tilde{C}(f)|^2$, weighted by the power in the hemodynamic response. To the extent that R^2 is calculated for a band-limited signal centered at f_0 and extending over a frequency range of relatively constant power in $H(t)$, the weighting is constant and $R^2 \approx |\tilde{C}(f_0)|^2$.

Supplemental Table 1.

Variance explained between γ -band power and hemodynamic changes.

Species	Correlated vascular quantity versus LFP	Neuronal-hemodynamic variance explained (R^2)	Reference
Macaque	BOLD fMRI	~ 0.1	(Shmuel and Leopold, 2008)
Macaque	CBV fMRI (w/Mion)	~ 0.1	(Schölvinck et al., 2010)
Mice	Optical "BOLD"	~ 0.5*	(Ma et al., 2016)
Mice	Optical CBV	~ 0.1 - 0.2**	(Winder et al., 2017)
Mice	Arteriole diameter	~ 0.3*	(Mateo et al., 2017)

* R^2 taken as $|C(0.1 \text{ Hz})|^2$; valid over a frequency range of relatively constant power in the hemodynamic transfer function. see **Supplemental Text Box 1**.

** Periods without movement