

EEG based action classification

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EEG

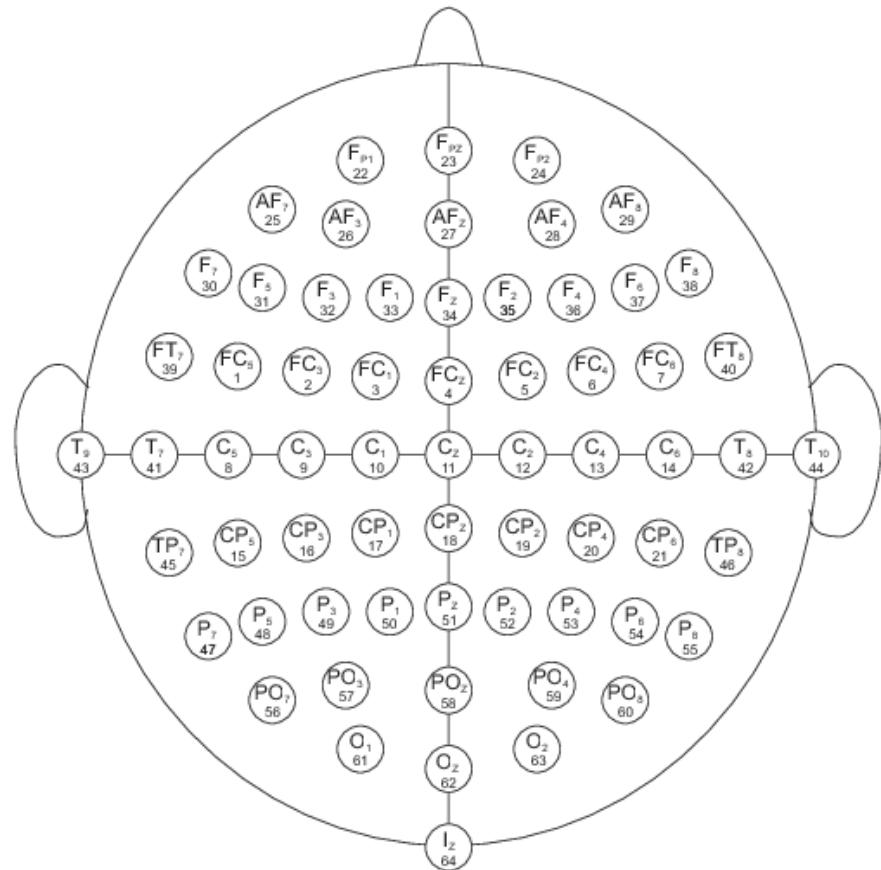
- The electroencephalogram, or EEG, consists of the **electrical activity** of relatively large neuronal populations that can be recorded from the scalp.
- Hans Berger (1873–1941) recorded the first human EEG in **1924**. He also invented the electroencephalogram, an invention described as “as one of the most surprising, remarkable, and momentous developments in the history of clinical neurology”
- Today **Event Related Potential**(ERP) measured using EEG is one of the most widely used method in cognitive neuroscience.

The Experiment

Trying to distinguish between kinesthetic imagination and actual motor movement.

Dataset

- 64-channel EEG recorded using the [BCI2000](#) system. Available at [Physionet](#).
- Tasks included:
 - opening and closing of right or left fist
 - Imagination of opening and closing of right or left fist
 - Opening and closing of both fists or both feet
 - Imagination of opening and closing of both fists or both feet.

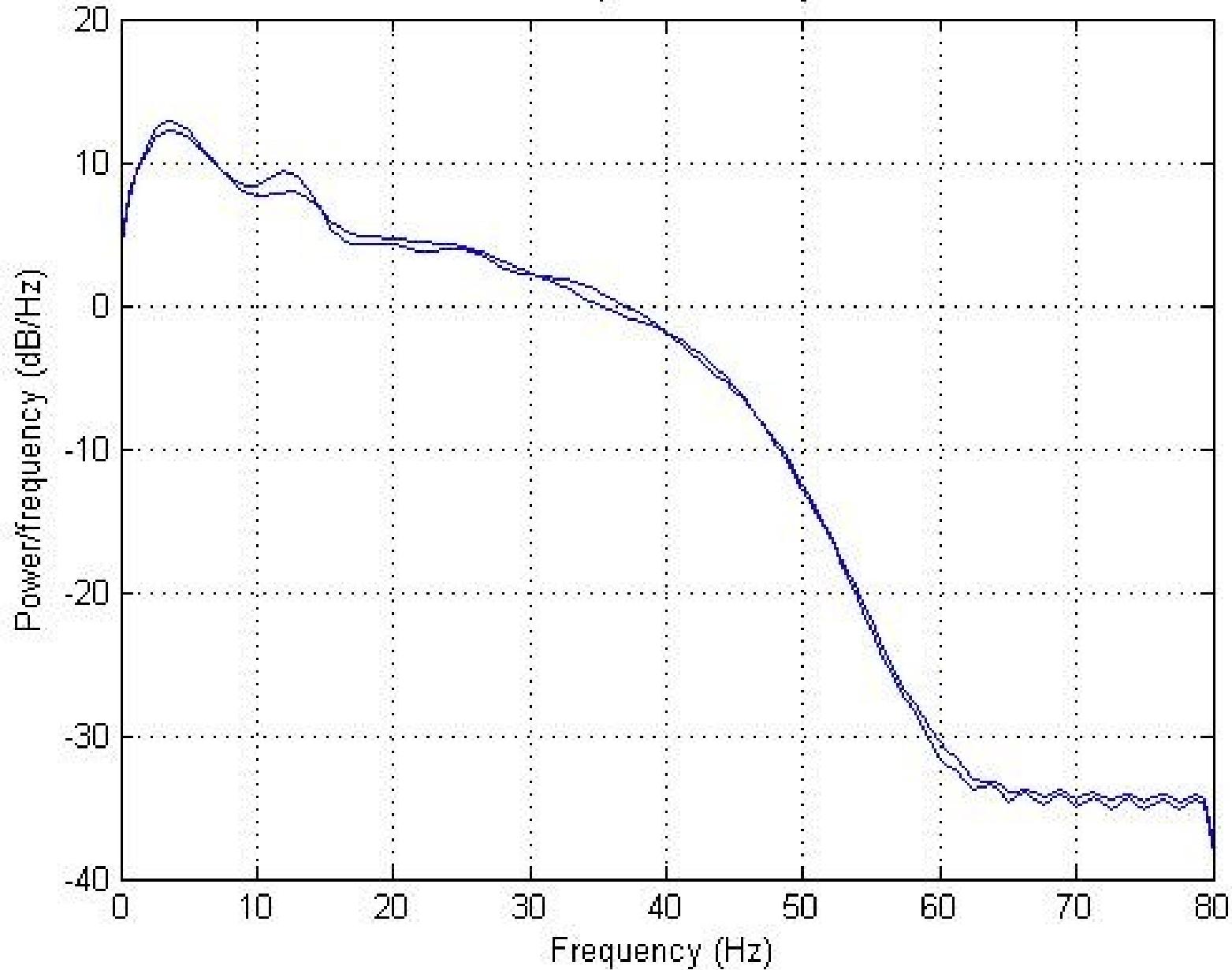


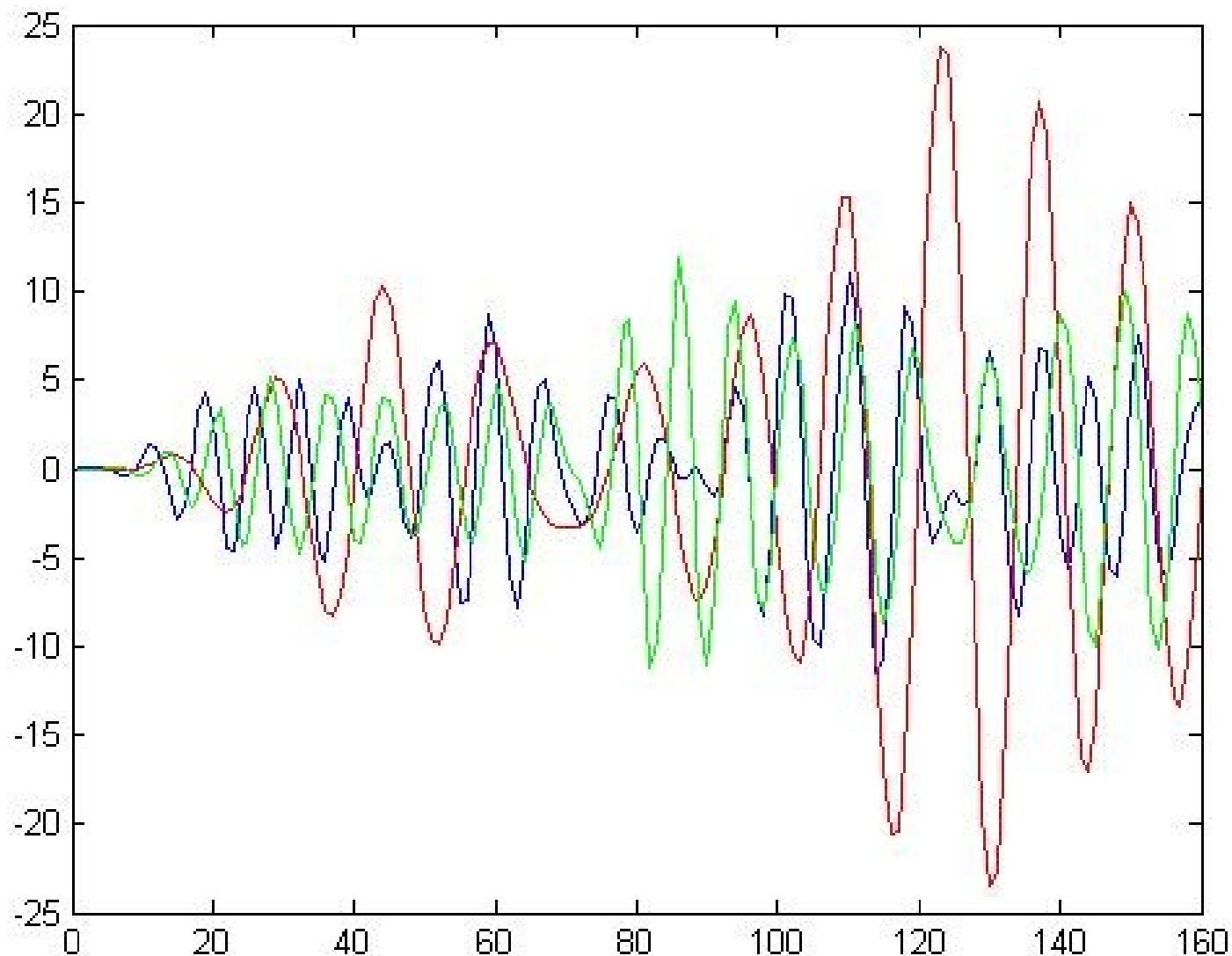
Assumptions/Simplifications

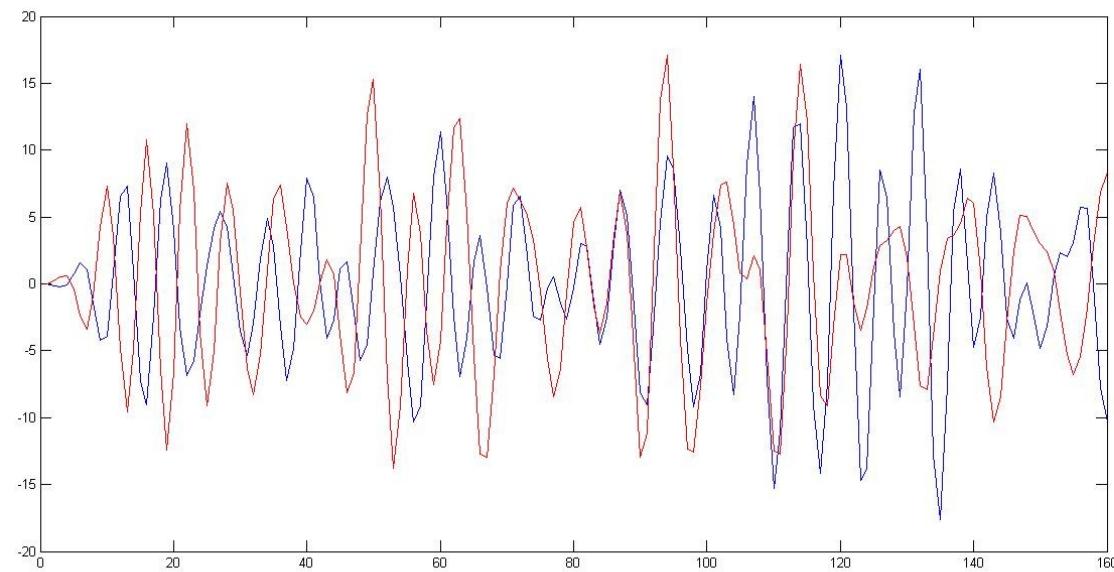
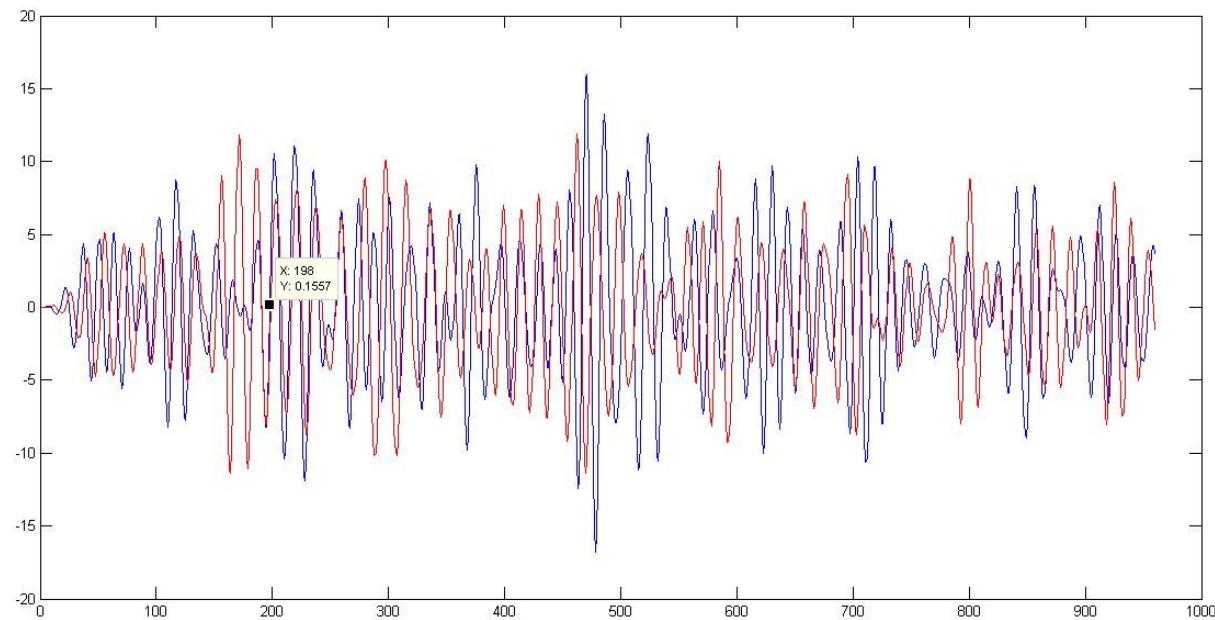
- It is generally believed that the motor activity takes place in the sensorimotor cortical areas of brain.
- For simplification, considered only the channels C3,C4 and Cz(reference electerode).
- Considered only the tasks related to movement of fists and the imagination of their movement.

- Previous studies have shown that the mu rhythm (8-13 Hz) is blocked prior and during hand movement.
- Power Spectral density study shows there is a significant gap between the actual and imagery motor tasks in the mu rhythm range.

Welch Power Spectral Density Estimate







Additions/Modifications

- A classifier to be made from data from a large number of subjects using machine learning.
- Feet movement, contrary to hand movement shows a positive spike in mu rhythm. This can be used to distinguish it.

Thank You!

Questions?

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