

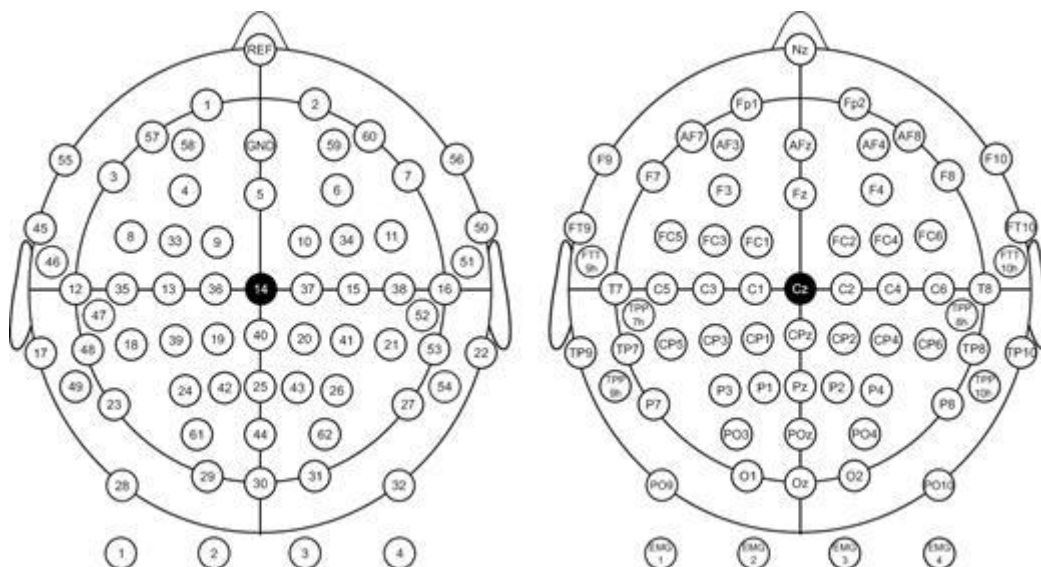
Big Data of 2-classes MI

Participants

Fifty-four healthy subjects (ages 24-35; 25 females) participated in the experiment. Thirty-eight subjects were naive BCI users. The others had previous experience with BCI experiments. None of the participants had a history of neurological, psychiatric, or any other pertinent disease that otherwise might have affected the experimental results. The subjects were seated comfortably in a chair with armrests at 60 (\pm 5) cm in front of a 21-inch LCD monitor (refresh rate: 60 Hz; resolution: 1,600 \times 1,200). The approximate horizontal and vertical visual angles were 37.7 and 28.1 degrees, respectively. During the experiment, subjects were instructed to relax their muscles and minimize their eye and muscle movements.

EEG data recording

EEG signals were recorded with a sampling rate of 1,000 Hz and collected with 62 Ag/AgCl electrodes. The EEG amplifier used in the experiment was a BrainAmp (Brain Products; Munich, Germany). The channels were nasion-referenced and grounded to electrode AFz. Additionally, an EMG electrode recorded from each flexor digitorum profundus muscle with the olecranon used as reference. The EEG/EMG channel configuration and indexing numbers are described in Fig. 1. The impedances of the EEG electrodes were maintained below 10 k Ω during the entire experiment.



MI paradigm

The MI paradigm was designed following a well-established system protocol [2]. For all blocks, the first 3 s of each trial began with a black fixation cross that appeared at the center of the monitor to prepare subjects for the MI task. Afterwards, the subject performed the imagery task of grasping with the appropriate hand for 4 s when the right or left arrow appeared as a visual cue. After each task, the screen remained blank for 6 s (± 1.5 s). The experiment consisted of training and test phases; each phase had 100 trials with balanced right- and left-hand imagery tasks. During the online test phase, the fixation cross appeared at the center of the monitor and moved right or left, according to the real-time classifier output of the EEG signal.

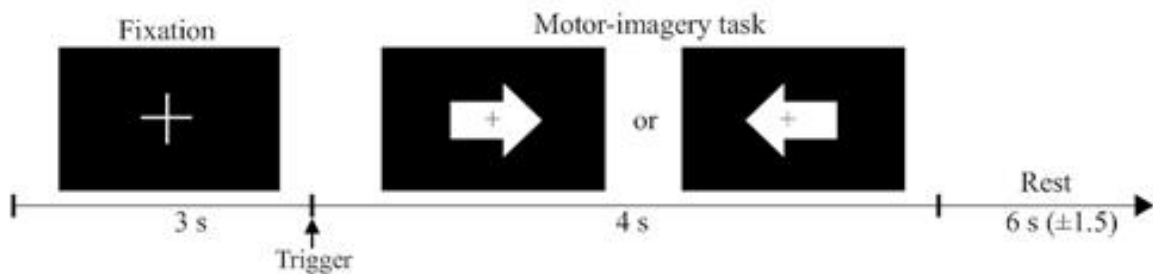


Table 1:

Questionnaire prior to experiments

| Questionnaire I | |
|---|---|
| Personal Information | |
| 1 | Age |
| 2 | Gender (Male = 0, Female = 1) |
| 3 | BCI experience (number of experiences; naive = 0) |
| 4 | Right-handed = 0, Left-handed = 1, Ambidexter = 2 |
| Physiological and psychological condition | |
| 1 | How long have you slept? |

Questionnaire I

(1~4 h = 1, 5~6 h = 2, 6~7 h = 3, 7~8 h = 4, >8 h = 5)

2 Did you drink coffee in the last 24 hours?

(in hours since last consumption; none = 0)

3 Did you drink alcohol in the last 24 hours?

(in hours since last consumption; none = 0)

4 Did you smoke in the last 24 hours?

(in hours since last consumption; none = 0)

| 5 | Condition checklists | Low | | | | | High |
|---|----------------------|-----|---|---|---|---|------|
| | -Comfort | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| | -Motivation | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| | -Concentration | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| | -Eye fatigue | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| | -Drowsiness | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| | -Physical condition | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| | -Mental condition | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |

Subjects were asked to supply their personal information and to report their physiological and psychological condition.

Table 2:

Questionnaire during the experiments

Questionnaire II

Paradigm: ERP, MI or SSVEP

| Phase (offline training or online test) | |
|---|---|
| 1 | Are you able to participate in the following experiment? |
| 2 | Condition check list |
| | Low High |
| | -Comfort 1 2 3 4 5 |
| | -Motivate 1 2 3 4 5 |
| | -Concentration 1 2 3 4 5 |
| | -Eye fatigue 1 2 3 4 5 |
| | -Drowsiness 1 2 3 4 5 |
| | -Physical condition 1 2 3 4 5 |
| | -Mental condition 1 2 3 4 5 |
| 3 | Did you ever doze off or fall asleep during the experiment? |
| | (number of times; none = 0) |
| 4 | Was it easy to perform the given tasks? |
| 5 | How many attempts have you missed? |
| | (number; none = 0) |
| 6 | Expected accuracy for this experiment (%) |

Subjects were asked to provide information regarding their current condition and self-evaluate their accuracy in the previous experiment.

Table 3:
Experimental procedures

| | Experimental procedure | Required time (min) | Cumulative time (min) |
|--------------------|--|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Prep. (33) | Instructions, self-assessment with questionnaire I | 5 | 5 |
| | EEG and EMG electrode placement | 25 | 30 |
| | Acquisition of artificial noise data | 3 | 33 |
| ERP (36) | Resting state data | 1 | 34 |
| | ERP speller in offline phase | 12 | 46 |
| | Resting state data | 1 | 47 |
| | Questionnaire II | 2 | 49 |
| | Short break | 3 | 52 |
| | Resting state data | 1 | 53 |
| | ERP speller in online phase | 13 | 66 |
| | Resting state data | 1 | 67 |
| | Questionnaire II | 2 | 69 |
| | Break | 10 | 79 |
| Motor-imagery (51) | Impedance check | 5 | 84 |
| | Resting state data | 1 | 85 |
| | Motor-imagery task in offline phase | 22 | 107 |
| | Resting state data | 1 | 108 |
| | Questionnaire II | 2 | 110 |
| | Short break | 3 | 113 |

| | Experimental procedure | Required time (min) | Cumulative time (min) | |
|------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|------------|
| | Resting state data | 1 | 114 | |
| | Motor-imagery task in online phase | 22 | 136 | |
| | Resting state data | 1 | 137 | |
| | Questionnaire II | 2 | 139 | |
| | Break | 10 | 149 | |
| SSVEP (51) | Impedance check | 5 | 154 | |
| | Resting state data | 1 | 155 | |
| | SSVEP task in offline phase | 20 | 175 | |
| | Resting state data | 1 | 176 | |
| | Questionnaire II | 2 | 178 | |
| | Short break | 3 | 181 | |
| | Resting state data | 1 | 182 | |
| | SSVEP task in online phase | 20 | 202 | |
| | Resting state data | 1 | 203 | |
| | Questionnaire II | 2 | 205 | |
| | | Total | | 205 |