OpenBCI Fall 2021 Summary

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What is OpenBCI?

- Open source brain-computer interface
- Non-invasive way to measure EEG (brain), EMG (muscles), and EKG (heart) signals.
- Popular tool in recent years in the healthcare industry for prosthetics.
- Comes with a convenient open-source GUI



Ultracortex Mark IV EEG Headset



OpenBCI GUI





Definitions

- Electroencephalography (EEG)
 - Measures electrical activity in the brain using non-invasive electrodes.
 - OpenBCI Cyton board uses 8 electrodes placed uniquely using the 10-20 system.
- Steady-State Visually Evoked Potential (SSVEP)
 - The brain's response to visual stimulations at target frequencies.
 - Activation is usually see in the visual cortex (O1 and O2 electrodes)
 - Commonly used with flashing LED's for disabled individuals (BCI speller, meal assistance)



10-20 Electrode System



Project Goals

- 1. 3D print the frame and assemble the headset.
- 2. Become familiar with OpenBCI along with the BrainFlow API.
- 3. Create and execute a SSVEP experiment using a ML algorithm to classify different flashing LEDs with high accuracy.
- 4. Collect EEG data for the <u>Overcooked</u> AI Simulation game.



1. Assembling the Headset









2. OpenBCI and BrainFlow API



OpenBCI



- GUI contains several convenient features
 - Time Series
 - FFT Plot
 - LSL (Lab streaming layer)
 - Focus Metrics
- Ultimately used the GUI for...
 - Making sure electrodes were mounted properly
 - Visualization





BrainFlow Library

- Open source API that contains several libraries.
 - BoardShim
 - Reads data from BCI headset and relies on the internal board controller library.
 - DataFilter
 - Signal Processing (FFT)
 - o ML Model
 - Calculates metrics such as relaxation and concentration based on the dat





How Biosensors Work



3. SSVEP Experiment



Experiment Setup

- LED flashing at 2.5, 3.0, and 3.5 Hz
- 5 Trials











Data Format and ML ALgorithm

Format

- ~37,000 X 8 Dataset
- Columns: 8 electrodes
- Rows: raw data from the headset

Algorithm

- Hand label all data points with respective LED
- Split data into 80% test and 20 % train
- Shift into Standard-Normal Coordinates
- Train on SVM
 - Radial Basis Kernel (RBF)
 - Hyperparameters: γ =20 C=2
- Test on Model
- Feature Importance using SHAP (SHapley Additive exPlanations)





- [Fp1, Fp2, C3, C4, P7, P8, O1, O2]
- FFNN is also accurate, but slow compared to a simple SVM.



4. Overcooked Data Collection



Overcooked Simulation

- Direct application of human-machine teaming
- EEG data could possibly sense when the user is mad at the agent for doing something wrong.
- EEG data could be be part of the reward function for the agent in an RL algorithm to further improve the agent's performance.





Overcooked Simulation



- Collected EEG data for each game mode
 - 5 Trials
 - 30 second game for each trial
- Wrote down the score along with notable actions that were frustrating about the agent during each trial.



5. Conclusions and Future Work





- → 8-Electrode non-invasive BCI has proven to be an accurate, cost effective tool for HMT.
- → Model data does not need much preprocessing to have high accuracy (at least for SSVEP algorithms).
- → Implicit feedback can be used to further improve HMT .



We can incorporate implicit human feedback from OpenBCI to improve human-machine teaming



Future Work

Can we leverage implicit human feedback from OpenBCI to improve coordination and collaboration on human-machine teams?

- Processing data collected from Overcooked
- Incorporated implicit feedback gained from that data into a human-machine team learning algorithm

