#### Assessing Spontaneous Brain Activity by EEG and sensory probes

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 $y = bx_e + x_o + \varepsilon$ 



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### Information from Analyses of Spatial Response Patterns



### Information from Analyses of Ongoing Activity



## Spontaneous brain activity is ubiquitous : across species, signals and states



Richard Jung & coll., 1952

#### single trial responses in fMRI averaged response



## Why should spontaneous activity be important?

- Quantitatively vastly superior to any evoked increment
- Temporally fluctuating
- Spatially organized into functionally meaningful circuits

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From Laufs et al., 2008, Neuroimage





## Artefact correction and power spectra









#### BOLD signal correlations with posterior alpha power



Goldman et al., 2002



Moosmann et al., 2003



Laufs et al., 2003

### How Hans Berger blocked alpha activity



Fig. 2. Hans Berger's 14-year-old daughter lise calculating (196  $\div$  7). Note excellent alpha blocking and alpha return at termination of the task. The bottom trace indicates time in 0.1 s. With permission of Dr. P. Gloor and Elsevier Publishers.



Gruber et al., Cerebral Cortex, 2001



Laufs et al., NeuroImage, 2003

#### Positive correlation with beta-2 power during resting state





Raichle et al., ,Nat. Rev Neurosci



Maquet and coll., div. publ.

#### Laufs et al., PNAS, 2003



Laufs et al., 2005 & 2006

## **Functional connectivity during resting state**



## How to interrogate resting state data?

model-driven: functional or spatial inference



*Greicius et al., PNAS, 2003* temporal inference



beta-2 (17 – 23 Hz) Anna MALLANA

data-driven: Independent component analysis



Damoiseaux et al., PNAS, 2006

Laufs et al., PNAS, 2003

## Spectral EEG Signatures of Resting State Networks





(Kilner et al., NeuroImage, 2005)

(Mantini et al., PNAS, 2007)

#### Phylo- and Ontogenesis of Intrinsic Functional Connectivity

Group resting-state networks in infants

The default mode network in monkey and man



Fransson P et al. PNAS 2007;104:15531-15536

What does spontaneous activity during resting states signal? Covert cognition or functional noise replaying organized structure?

'Theoretical neuroanatomy and the connectivity of the cerebral cortex'

'The organization of neural systems in the primate cerebral cortex'





Sporns O, Tononi G, Edelman GM. Behav Brain Res 135(1-2):69-74 (2002) Young MP. Proc R Soc Lond B Biol Sci 252, 13-18, 1993

#### **Computational model of functional connectivity**



#### Honey C J et al. PNAS 2009;106:2035-2040



#### The default mode network during wake and sleep



Horovitz S G et al. PNAS 2009;106:11376-11381



#### Short-term changes in intrinsic functional connectivity



(Waites et al., Human Brain Mapp, 2005)

#### 'On imputing function to structure from the behavioural effects of brain lesions'



(Young et al., Philos Trans R Soc B, 2000)

## Diaschisis after focal ischemic brain lesions



#### **Healthy Controls**





#### Patient

#### **Network Effects of Focal Brain Lesions**



#### How can we assess the impact from ongoing activity?





## Spontaneous ongoing activity as the determinant of variability in single trial responses



Task-induced and spontaneous activity fluctuations in sensorimotor cortical regions



(Fox et al., Nature Neuroscience, 2006)

"Coherent spontaneous activity accounts for trial-by-trial variability in human evoked brain responses"



(Fox et al., Nature Neuroscience, 2006)

## Brain-behavior relation: coupled variability



(Jung et al., Human Brain Mapp 2001)

# Spontaneous local variations in ongoing pre-stimulus neural activity bias perceptual decisions







(Hesselmann et al., PNAS, 2008)



#### **Trial-by-Trial Correlation of Ongoing and Evoked Activity**



# Models of perceptual decisions: diffusion, leaky accumulators ...



(Mocdified from Philiastides et al., J Neurosci, 2006)

## The need for a paradigm shift

 $y = bx_e + x_o + \varepsilon$ 

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## Generic Principle? Extension to Auditory Perception auditory attention alertness default mode

0.6

auditory cortex















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(Sadaghiani et al., J Neurosci, in press)

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## Construing a Biologically Adequate Model of Brain Function $y = f(x_e, x_o) + \varepsilon$



### The Brain builds a Predictive Model of the World



$$F = Energy - Entropy = -\left\langle \ln p(y, \mathcal{G} \mid m) \right\rangle_q + \left\langle \ln q(\mathcal{G}) \right\rangle_q$$

(Friston, Trends Cogn Sci, 2009)