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# Adapting to Non-Stationarity in EEG using a Mixture of Multiple ICA Models

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# Introduction

- Want to model sensor array data with multiple independent sources — ICA

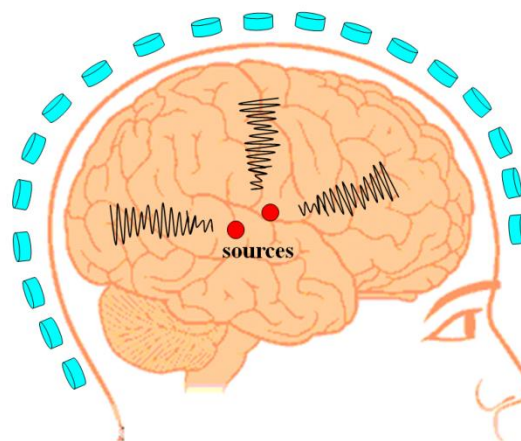
Source 1



Source 2



Sensor array



- Non-stationary source activity — mixture model
- Want the adaptation to be computationally efficient — Newton method

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# Outline

- Introduction
  - Non-stationarity in EEG
  - What is a mixture model?
- ICA Mixture Model
  - Model definition
  - Computational feasibility and Newton Method
- Examples
  - Application to epileptic seizure ECoG data
  - Application to typical EEG task data
- Implementation
  - Parallel computation

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# Non-stationarity

- What kinds of non-stationarity exist in EEG?
  - Environmental transients—lights, train, A/C
  - Different brain sources for different tasks
  - Muscle activity
  - Arousal level change
  - Seizure
- Are EEG components stable over recording? Which are and which are not?
- We approach this problem by using a mixture model of component bases with separate component maps and source statistics

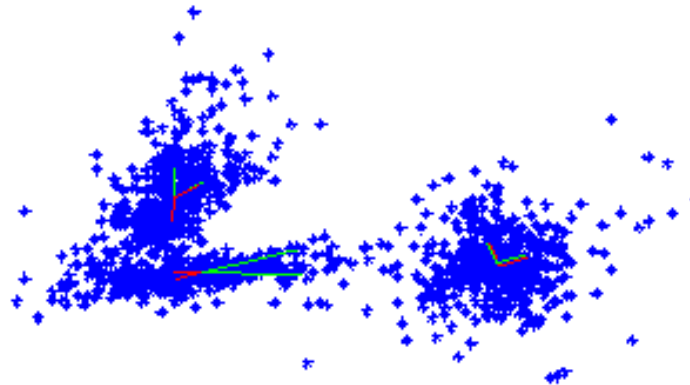
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# What is a Mixture Model?

- A mixture model is a probabilistic combination of several models:

$$p(x) = \sum_{j=1}^M \overset{\substack{\text{mixture} \\ \text{proportions}}}{\gamma_j} p_j\left(\frac{x - \overset{\substack{\text{means}}}{\mu_j}}{\underset{\substack{\text{scales}}}{\sigma_j}}\right)$$

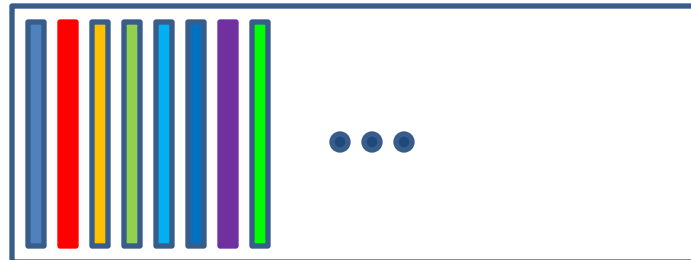
- Each data point modeled as being generated by one of the models in the mixture



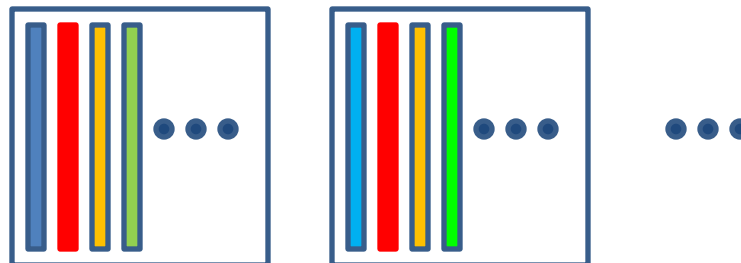
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# Mixture vs. Overcomplete

- Approach 1 – Overcomplete dictionary



- Approach 2 – Mixture of bases (like best basis selection)



- Assumptions:
  - At a given time at most num channels basis vectors present
  - Basis vectors do not combine arbitrarily but form subsets or groups of commonly occurring or mutually exclusive features

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# Computational Feasibility

- We will use an iterative algorithm, in which the basic steps are:
  - Estimate the independent source activations given models
  - Update models given estimated sources
- For large dimensional problems estimation of sources by iterative or even one-step methods takes non-trivial time, requiring inversion of a matrix for each sample
  - Example: data = 100 x 1,000,000, time to get sources = 1 ms per sample, one complete iteration takes at least 1000 seconds = 15 minutes, 500 iterations takes 6 days
  - Need iterations to be order seconds, so need source estimation to be very fast (less than 1ms) – use simple matrix multiplication, can't afford inversion

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# ICA Mixture Model

- Want to model observations  $\mathbf{x}(t)$ ,  $t = 1, \dots, N$ , different models “active” at different times
- Bayesian linear mixture model,  $h = 1, \dots, M$ :

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{A}_h \mathbf{s}(t) + \mathbf{c}_h$$

- Conditionally linear given the model,  $\mathbf{W}_h \triangleq \mathbf{A}_h^{-1}$ :

$$p(\mathbf{x}(t) | h) = |\det \mathbf{W}_h| q_h(\mathbf{W}_h(\mathbf{x}(t) - \mathbf{c}_h))$$

- Samples are modeled as independent in time:

$$p(\mathbf{X}; \Theta) = \prod_{t=1}^N \sum_{h=1}^M \gamma_h p(\mathbf{x}(t) | h)$$

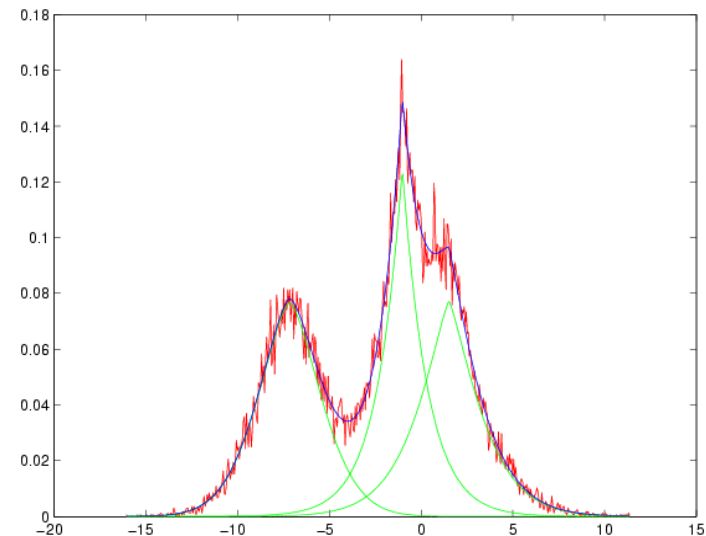


# Source Density Mixture Model

- Each source density mixture component has unknown location, scale, and shape:

$$q_{hi}(s_i(t)) = \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_{hij} \sqrt{\beta_{hij}} q_{hij}(\sqrt{\beta_{hij}}(s_i(t) - \mu_{hij}); \rho_{hij})$$

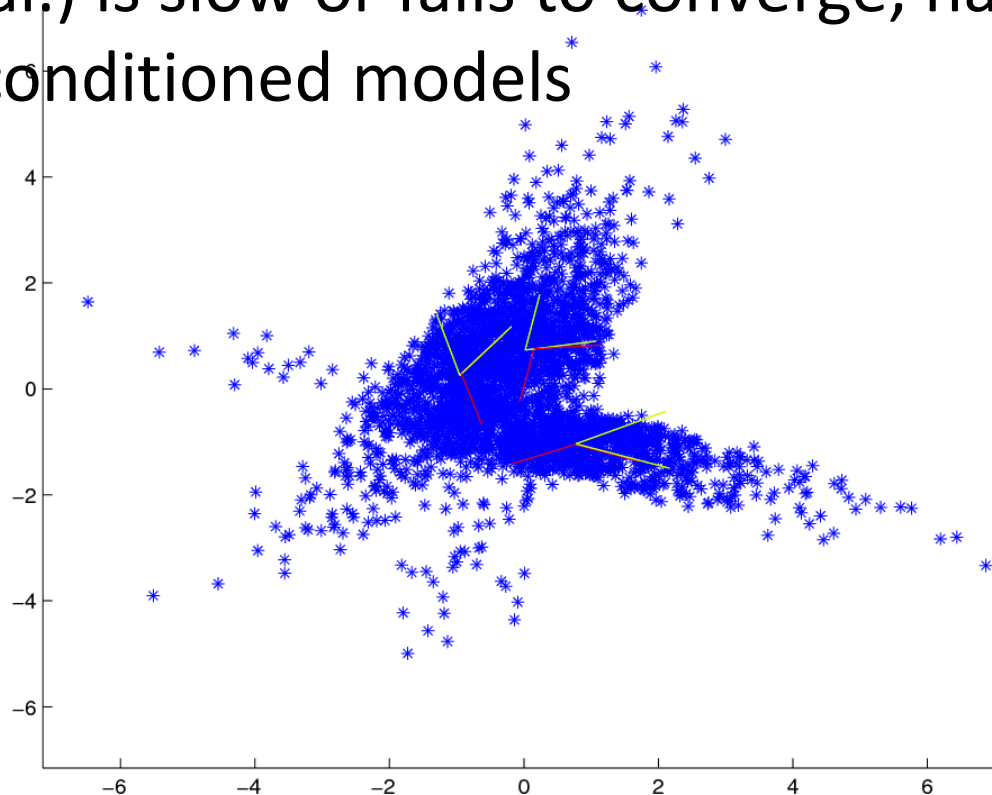
- Generalized Gaussian mixture model is convenient and flexible



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# Sub- and Super-Gaussian sources

- With mixture source model, model sources can be sub- or super-Gaussian, no need to check
- Newton method converges very fast, natural gradient (Lee et al.) is slow or fails to converge, has difficulty on poorly conditioned models



# ICA Mixture Model—Invariances

- The complete set of parameters to be estimated is:

$$\Theta = \{ \mathbf{W}_h, \mathbf{c}_h, \gamma_h, \alpha_{hij}, \mu_{hij}, \beta_{hij}, \rho_{hij} \}$$

$$h = 1, \dots, M, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad j = 1, \dots, m$$

- Invariances:  $\mathbf{W}$  row norm/source density scale and model centers/source density locations:

$$[\mathbf{W}'_h]_{i:} = [\mathbf{W}_h]_{i:} / \tau_{hi},$$
$$\mu'_{hij} = \mu_{hij} / \tau_{hi}, \quad \beta'_{hij} = \beta_{hij} \tau_{hi}^2, \quad j = 1, \dots, m$$

$$\mathbf{c}'_h = \mathbf{c}_h + \Delta \mathbf{c}_h, \quad \mu'_{hij} = \mu_{hij} - [\mathbf{W}_h \Delta \mathbf{c}_h]_i, \quad j = 1, \dots, m$$

# Basic ICA Newton Method

- Transform gradient (1<sup>st</sup> derivative) of cost function using inverse Hessian (2<sup>nd</sup> derivative)
- Cost function is data log likelihood:

$$p(\mathbf{X}) = \prod_{t=1}^N |\det \mathbf{W}| p_s(\mathbf{W} \mathbf{x}_t)$$

$$L(\mathbf{W}) = \sum_{t=1}^N -\log |\det \mathbf{W}| + f(\mathbf{y}_t)$$

- Gradient:

$$\nabla L(\mathbf{W}) \propto -\mathbf{W}^{-T} + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N \nabla f(\mathbf{y}_t) \mathbf{x}_t^T$$

- Natural gradient (positive definite transform):

$$\Delta \mathbf{W} = \left( \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N \mathbf{g}_t \mathbf{y}_t^T \right) \mathbf{W}$$

# Newton Method – Hessian

- Take derivative of  $(i,j)$ th element of gradient with respect to  $(k,l)$ th element of  $\mathbf{W}$  :

$$\frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial w_{kl}} = [\mathbf{W}^{-1}]_{li} [\mathbf{W}^{-1}]_{jk} + \left\langle f_i''([\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}_t]_k) x_j x_l \delta_{ik} \right\rangle_N$$

- This defines a linear transform  $\mathbf{C} = \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{B})$  :

$$c_{ij} = \sum_k \sum_l [\mathbf{W}^{-1}]_{li} [\mathbf{W}^{-1}]_{jk} b_{kl} + \left\langle f_i''(y_i) x_j \sum_l b_{il} x_l \right\rangle_N$$

- In matrix form, this is:

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{W}^{-T} \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{W}^{-T} + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N \text{diag}(f''(\mathbf{y}_t)) \mathbf{B} \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{x}_t^T$$

# Newton Method – Hessian

- To invert: rewrite the Hessian transformation  $\mathbf{C} = \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{B})$  in terms of the source estimates:

$$\mathbf{C} = (\mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}^{-1})^T \mathbf{W}^{-T} + \left\langle \text{diag}(f''(\mathbf{y})) \mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}^{-1} \mathbf{W}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}^T \mathbf{W}^{-T} \right\rangle_N$$

- Define  $\tilde{\mathbf{C}} \triangleq \mathbf{C}\mathbf{W}^T$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{B}} \triangleq \mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}^{-1}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}} = \tilde{\mathcal{H}}(\tilde{\mathbf{B}})$ :

$$\tilde{\mathbf{C}} = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}^T + \left\langle \text{diag}(f''(\mathbf{y})) \tilde{\mathbf{B}}\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}^T \right\rangle_N$$

- Want to solve linear equation  $\mathbf{C} = \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{B})$ :

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathcal{H}^{-1}(\mathbf{C}) = \tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{-1}(\mathbf{C}\mathbf{W}^T) \mathbf{W}$$

# Newton Method – Hessian

- The Hessian transformation can be simplified using source independence and zero mean:

$$\tilde{c}_{ii} \rightarrow \tilde{b}_{ii} + E \left\{ f_i''(y_i) \sum_k \tilde{b}_{ik} y_k y_i \right\} = \tilde{b}_{ii} (1 + \eta_i)$$

$$\tilde{c}_{ij} \rightarrow \tilde{b}_{ji} + E \left\{ f_i''(y_i) \sum_k \tilde{b}_{ik} y_k y_j \right\} = \tilde{b}_{ji} + \kappa_i \sigma_j^2 \tilde{b}_{ij}$$

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$$\eta_i \triangleq E \{ y_i^2 f_i''(y_i) \}, \quad \kappa_i \triangleq E \{ f_i''(y_i) \}, \quad \sigma_i^2 \triangleq E \{ y_i^2 \}$$

- This leads to 2x2 block diagonal form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{c}_{ij} \\ \tilde{c}_{ji} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_i \sigma_j^2 & 1 \\ 1 & \kappa_j \sigma_i^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{b}_{ij} \\ \tilde{b}_{ji} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Newton Direction

- Invert Hessian transformation, evaluate at gradient:

$$\Delta \mathbf{W} = \tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{-1}(-\mathbf{G}\mathbf{W}^T)\mathbf{W}$$

- Leads to the following equations:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{B}} = \tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{-1}(-\mathbf{G}\mathbf{W}^T)$$

$$\Phi \triangleq \frac{1}{N} \sum_{t=1}^N \mathbf{g}_t \mathbf{y}_t^T$$

$$-\mathbf{G}\mathbf{W}^T = \mathbf{I} - \Phi$$

$$\tilde{b}_{ii} = \frac{1 - \phi_{ii}}{1 + \eta_i}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\tilde{b}_{ij} = \frac{\phi_{ji} - \kappa_j \sigma_i^2 \phi_{ij}}{\kappa_i \kappa_j \sigma_i^2 \sigma_j^2 - 1}, \quad \forall i \neq j$$

- Calculate the Newton direction:

$$\Delta \mathbf{W} = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}\mathbf{W}$$



# Positive Definiteness of Hessian

- Conditions for positive definiteness:

$$\begin{aligned} 1) & 1 + \eta_i > 0, \quad \forall i \\ 2) & \kappa_i > 0, \quad \forall i, \quad \text{and,} \\ 3) & \kappa_i \kappa_j \sigma_i^2 \sigma_j^2 - 1 > 0, \quad \forall i \neq j \end{aligned}$$

- Always true for true when model source densities match true densities:

$$\begin{aligned} 1) \quad 1 + E\{y^2 f''(y)\} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (y^2 f'(y)^2 - 2yf'(y) + 1) p(y) dy \\ &= E\{(yf'(y) - 1)^2\} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$2) \quad E\{f''(y)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f'(y)^2 p(y) dy = E\{f'(y)^2\} > 0$$

$$3) \quad E\{y^2\} E\{f''(y)\} = E\{y^2\} E\{f'(y)^2\} \geq (E\{yf'(y)\})^2 = 1$$

# Newton for ICA Mixture Model

- Similar derivation applies to ICA mixture model:

$$p(\mathbf{X}; \Theta) = \sum_{\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{Z}} \prod_{t=1}^N \prod_{h=1}^M \gamma_h^{v_{ht}} |\det \mathbf{W}_h|^{v_{ht}} \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^m Q_{hijt}^{l_{v_{ht} z_{hijt}}}$$

$$F^l(\Theta) = \sum_{t=1}^N \sum_{h=1}^M \left[ \hat{v}_{ht}^l \left( -\log \gamma_h - \log |\det \mathbf{W}_h| \right) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m \hat{r}_{hijt}^l \left( -\log \alpha_{hij} - \frac{1}{2} \log \beta_{hij} + f_{hij}(y_{hijt}) \right) \right]$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{W}_h^{-T} \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{W}_h^{-T} + \frac{1}{\sum_t \hat{v}_{ht}^l} \sum_{t=1}^N \mathbf{D}_{ht}^l \mathbf{B} (\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{c}_h) (\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{c}_h)^T$$

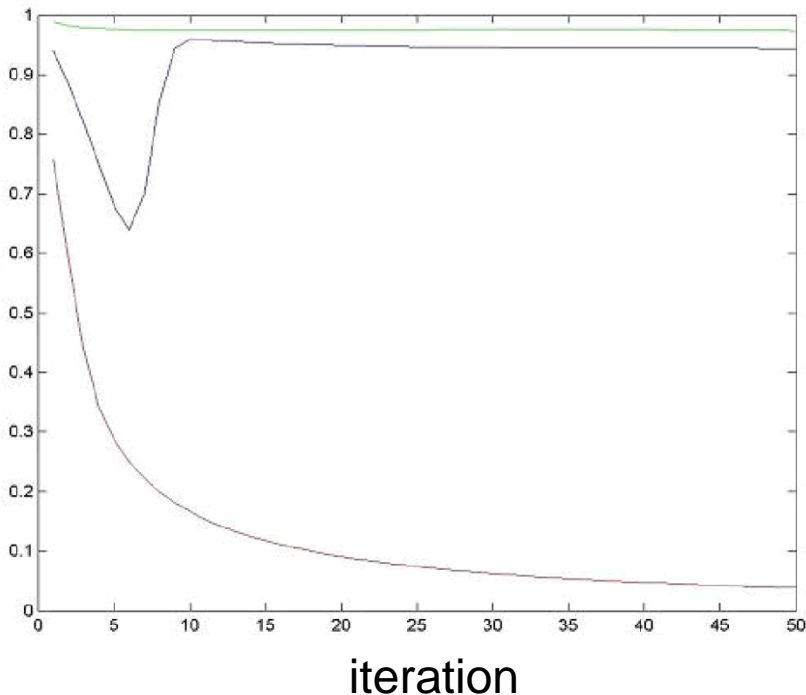
$$\tilde{\mathbf{C}} = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}^T + \frac{1}{\sum_t \hat{v}_{ht}^l} \sum_{t=1}^N \mathbf{D}_{ht}^l \tilde{\mathbf{B}} \mathbf{y}_{ht} \mathbf{y}_{ht}^T$$

$$\mathbf{y}_{ht} \triangleq \mathbf{W}_h (\mathbf{x}_t - \mathbf{c}_h)$$

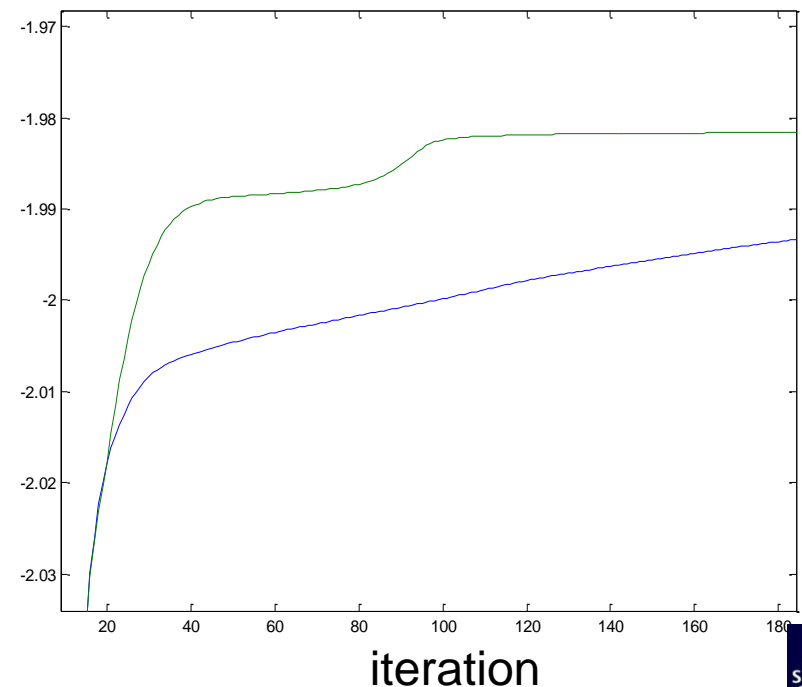
# Convergence Rates

- Convergence is really much faster than natural gradient. Works with step size 1.0!
- Need correct source density model

$$\| \mathbf{W}^{l+1} - \mathbf{W}^* \| / \| \mathbf{W}^l - \mathbf{W}^* \|$$

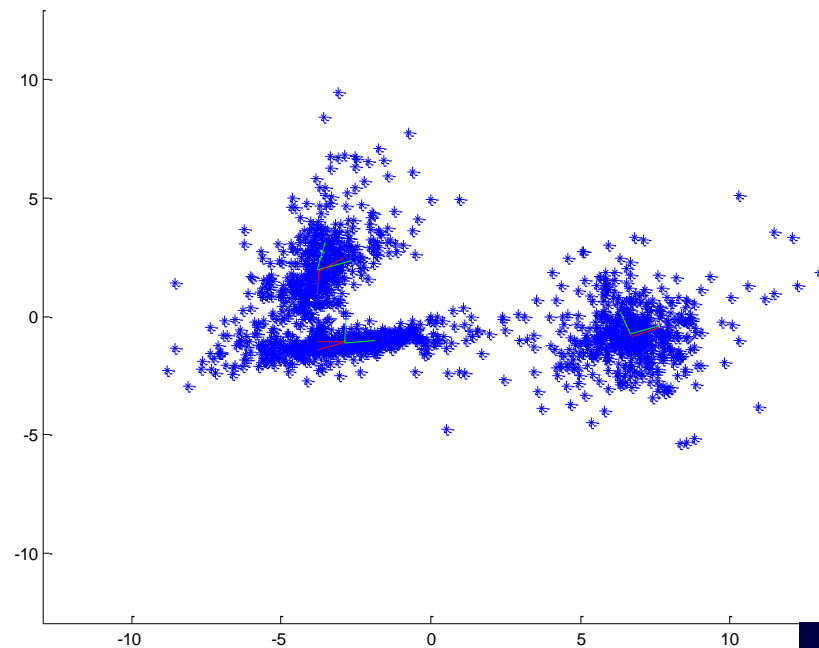
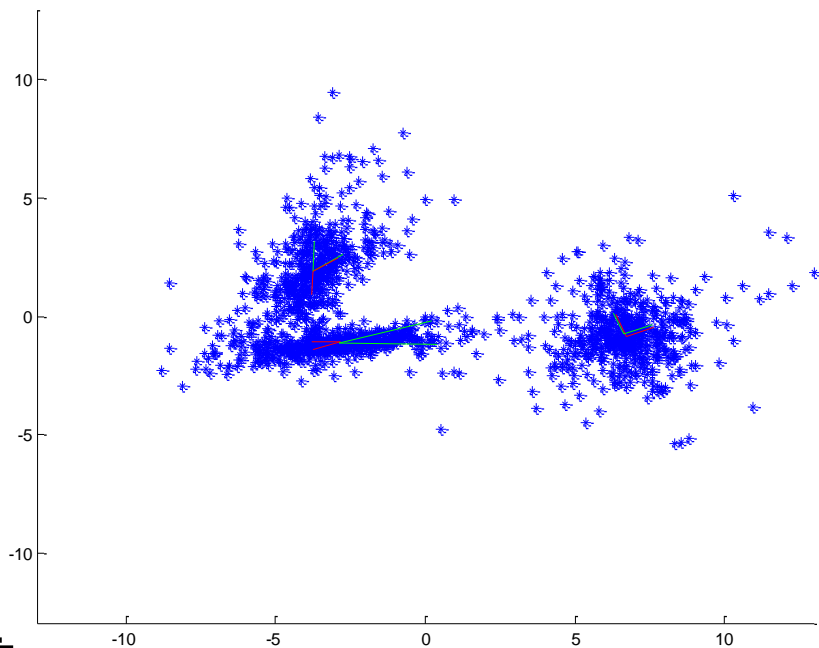


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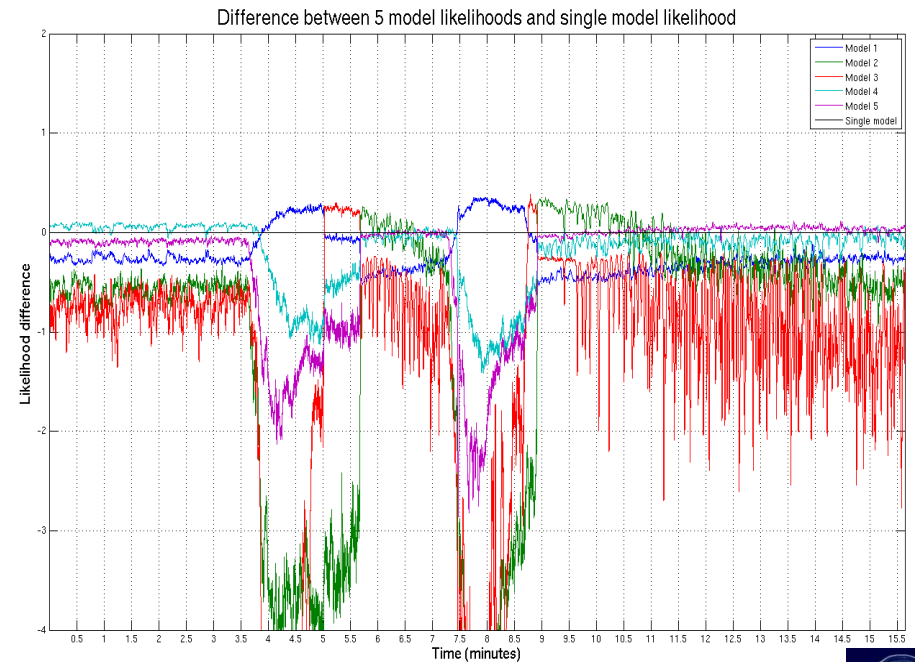
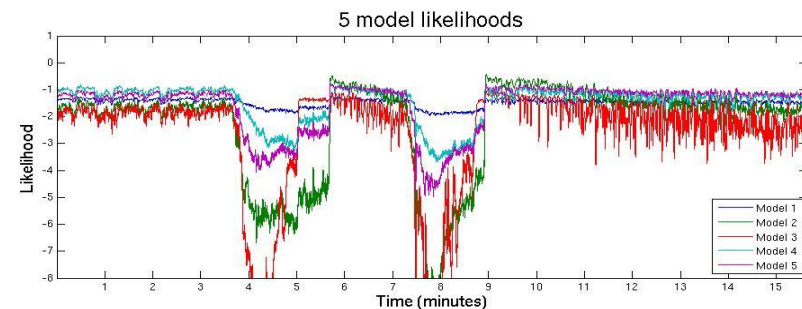
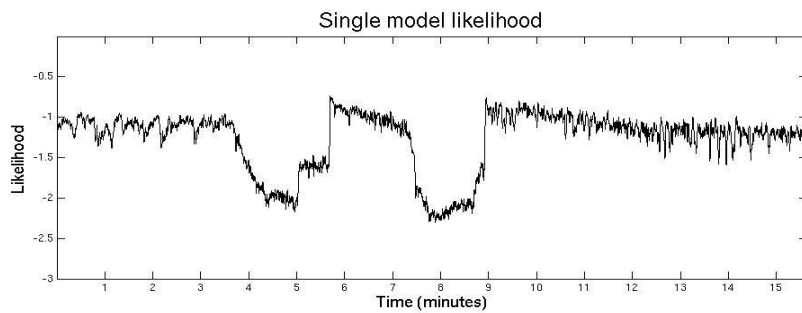
# Natural Gradient Vs. Newton

- 3 models in two dimensions, 500 pts per model
- Newton method converges, natural gradient (Lee et al.) is slow or fails to converge, has difficulty on poorly conditioned models



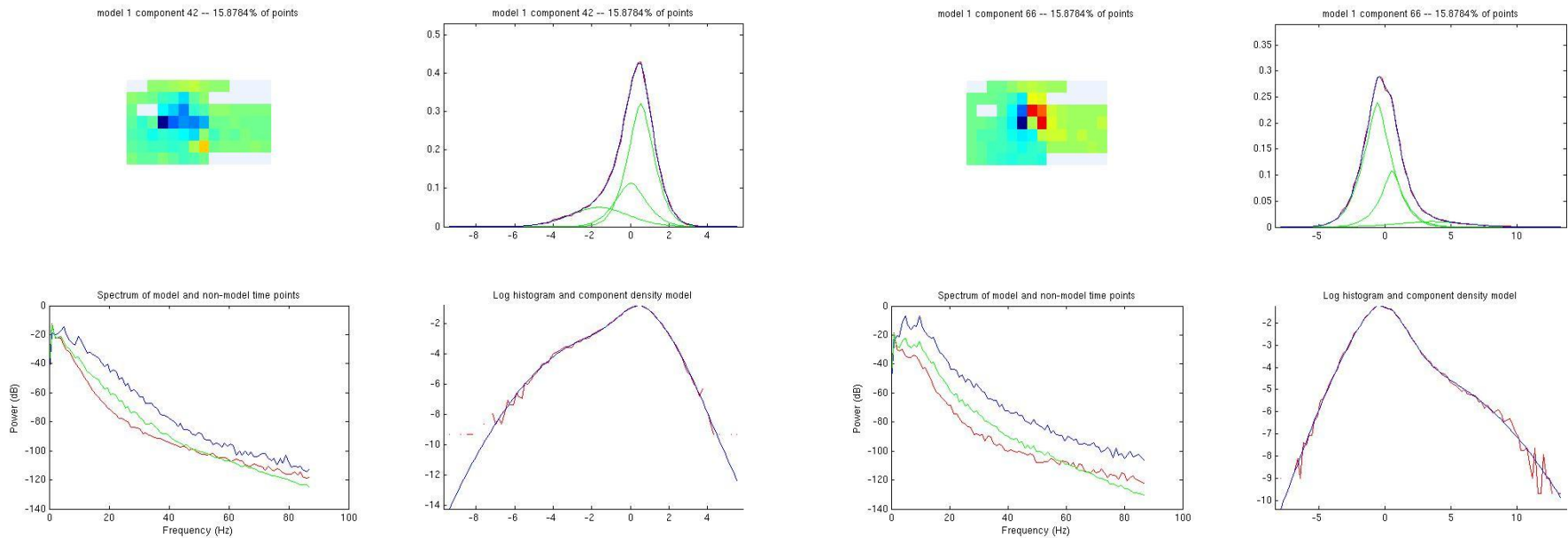
# Epilepsy

- Data: 15 minutes from 1 subject containing 2 seizures
- Single model does not represent seizure well
- We learned 5 models – new models consistently adapt to portions of seizure

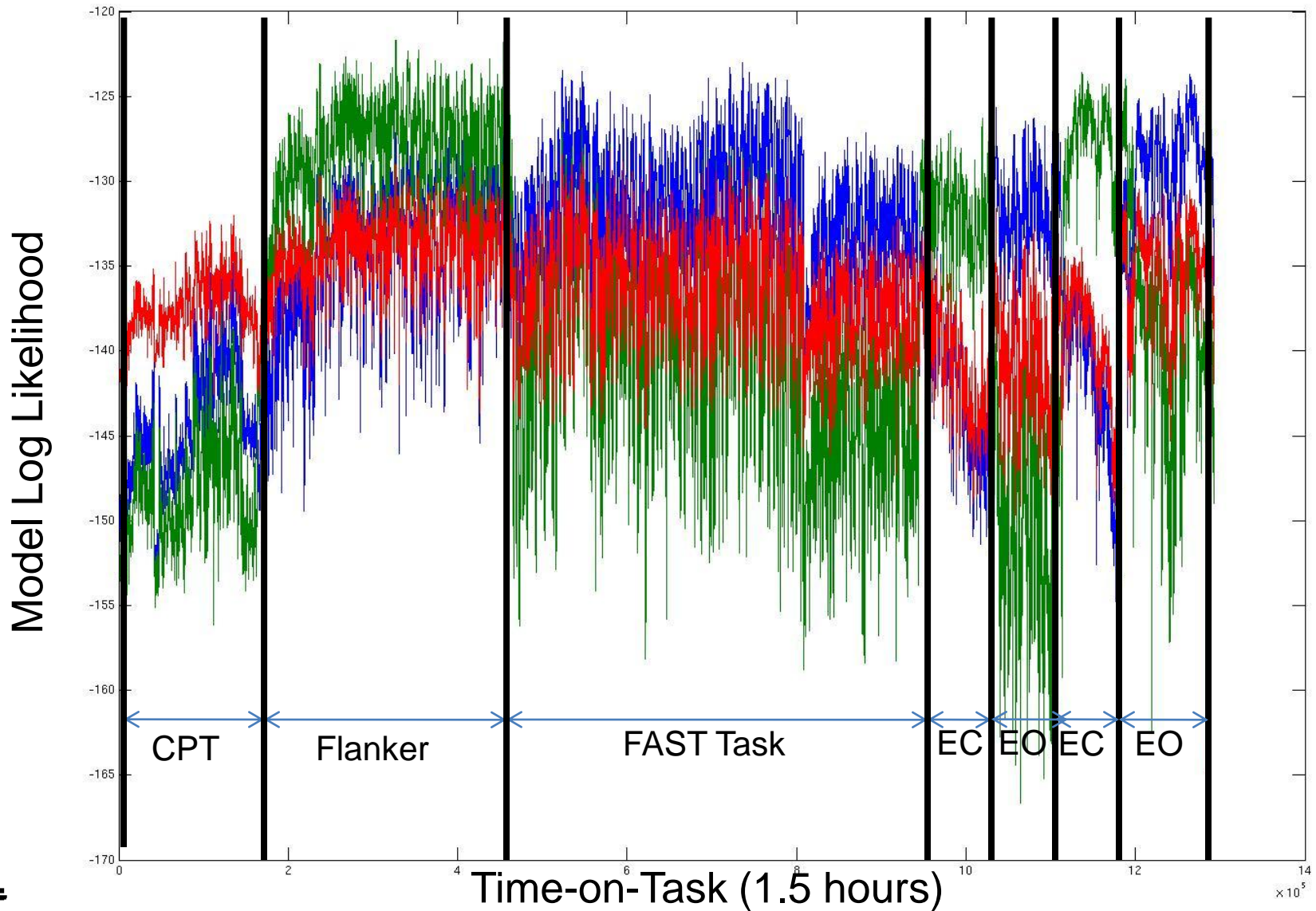


# Epilepsy Grid Maps

- Maps from grid of electrodes placed intercranially over seizure area
- Source probability densities are fit by mixture model



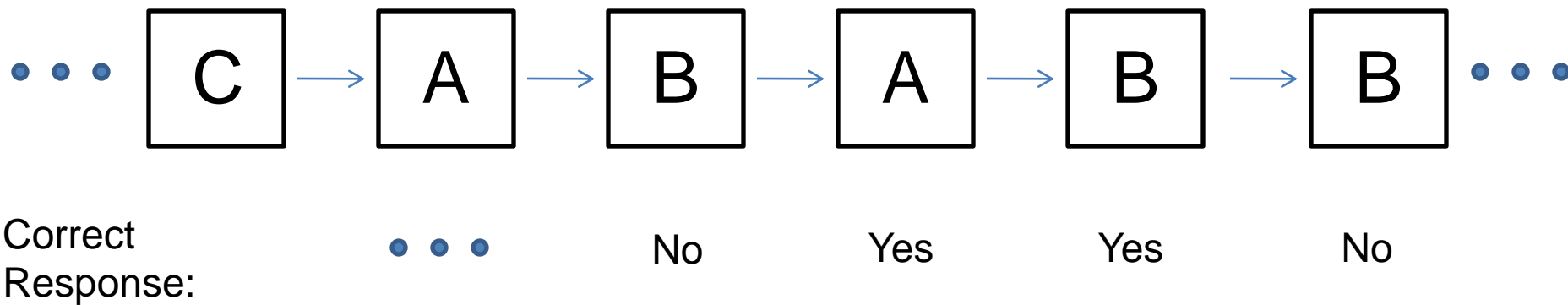
# Segmentation of Tasks



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# Twoback Task

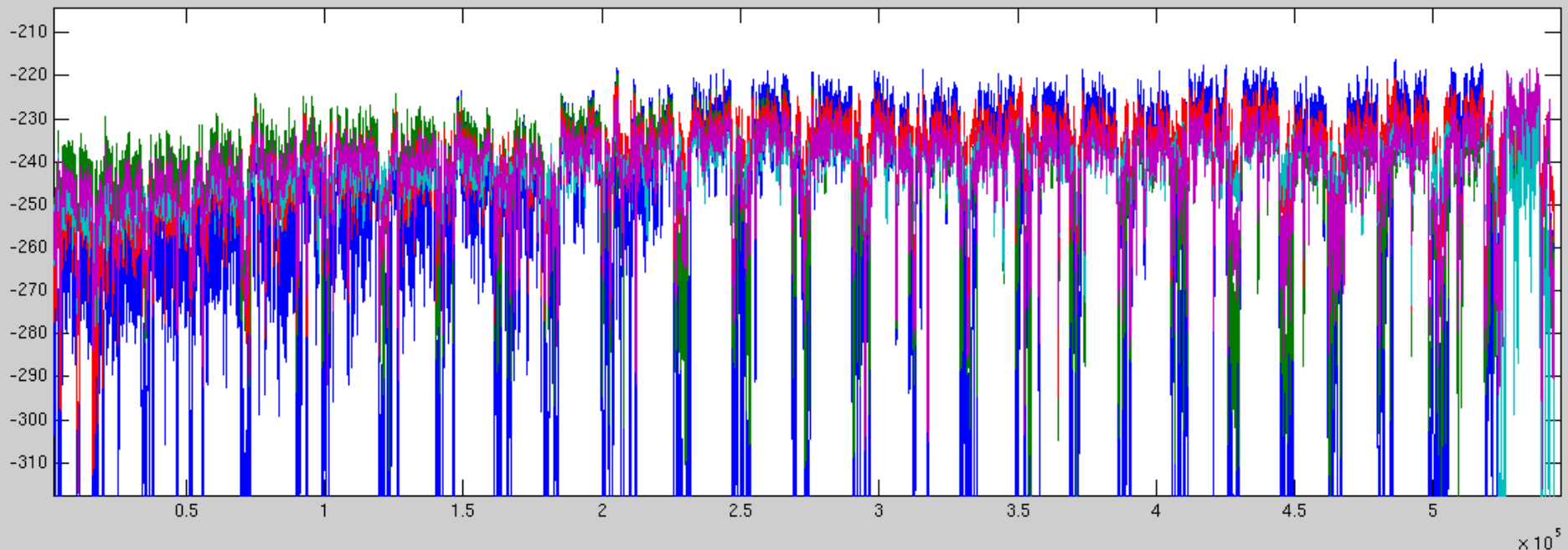
- Data recording supervised by Julie Onton
- Subject presented with sequence of letters and must respond whether current letter is the same as the one two letters back





# bt73 segmentation

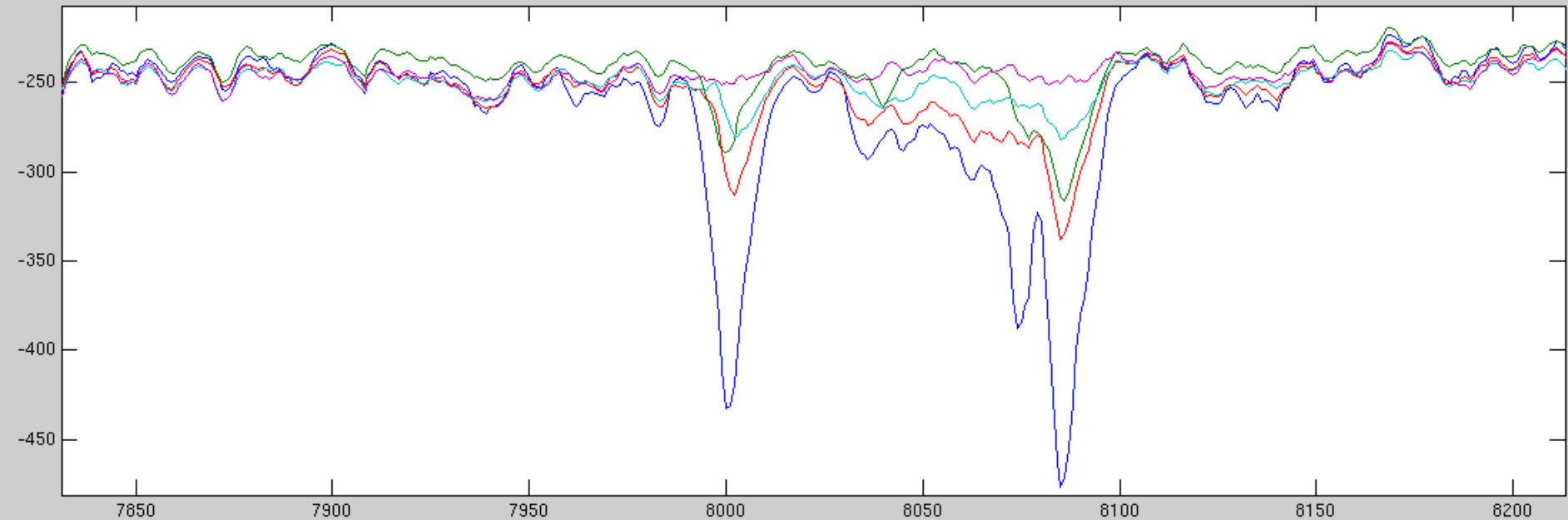
- Task trials are represented by green and blue models
- Inter-task intervals represented by red and cyan model
- Eye blinks represented by magenta model



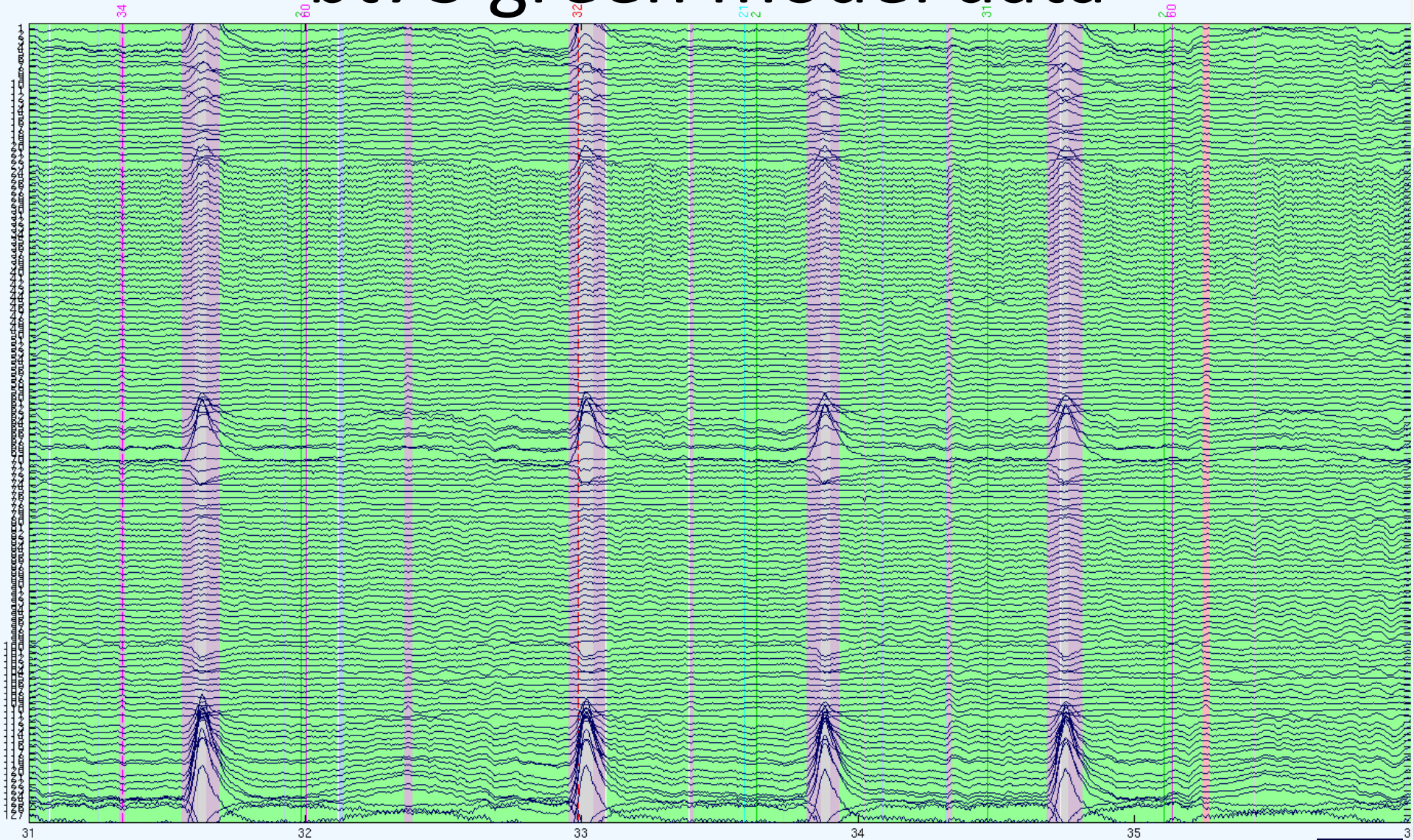
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# bt73 segmentation zoom (green)

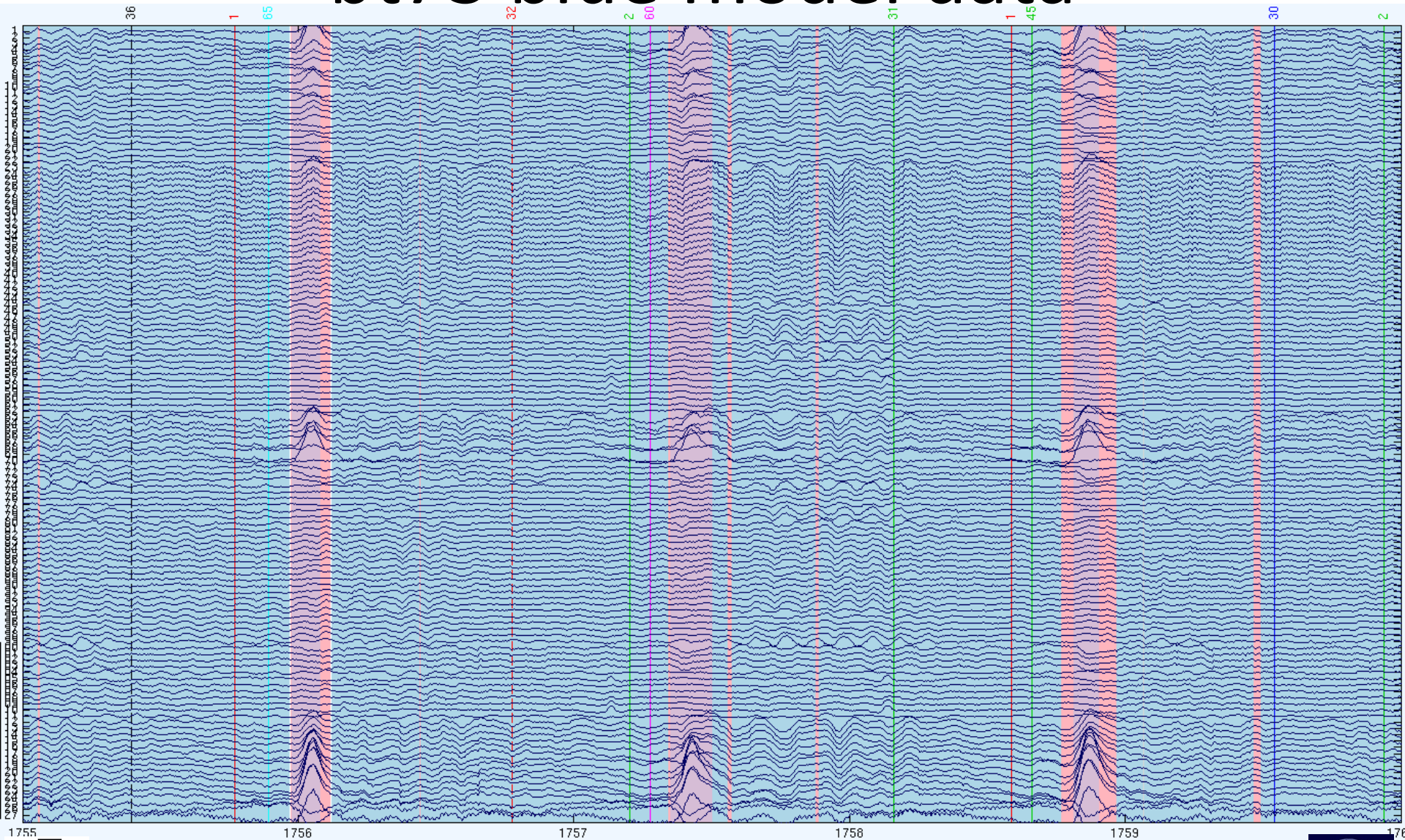
- Task trials are represented by green and blue models
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- Eye blinks represented by magenta model



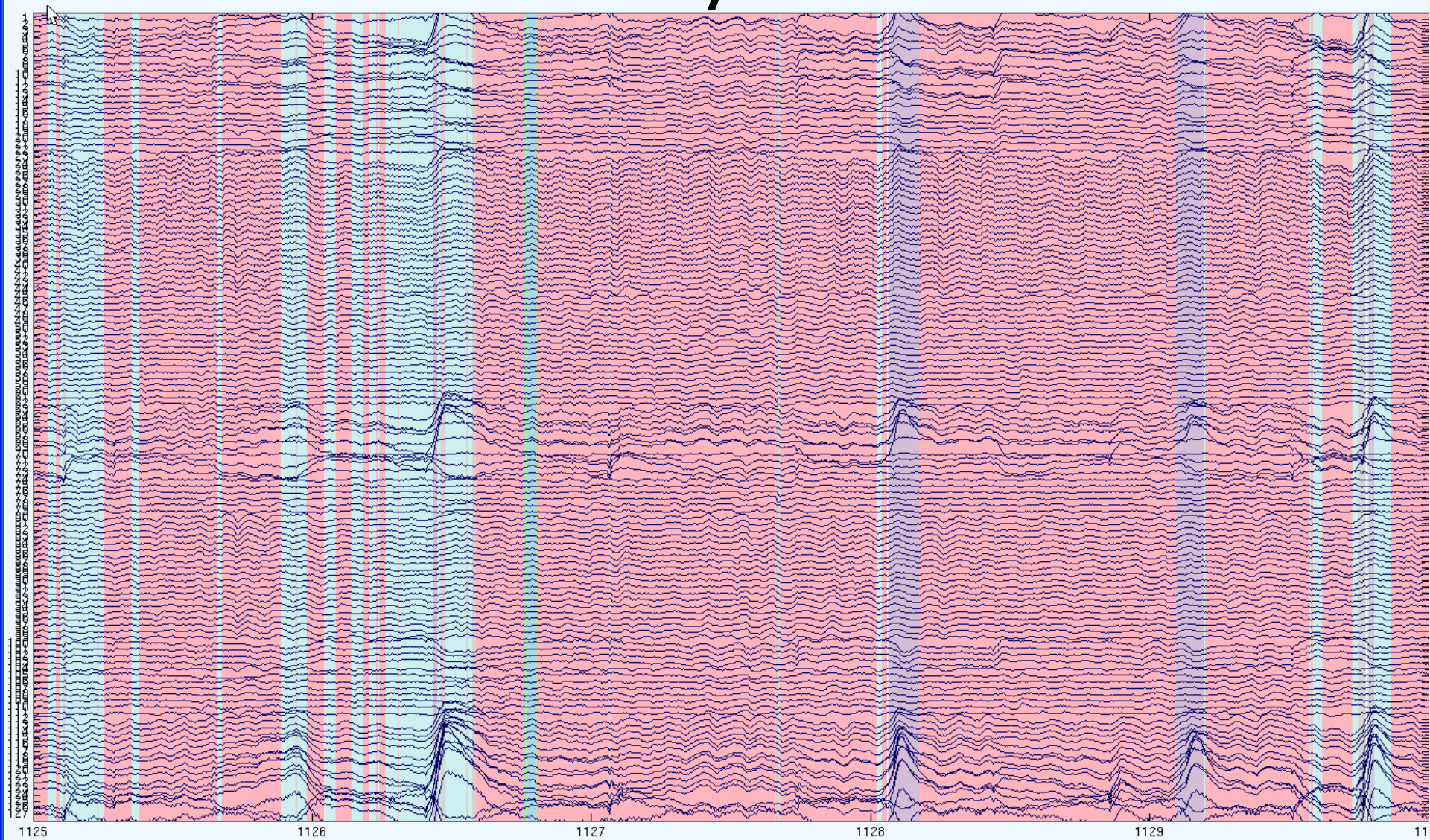
# bt73 green model data



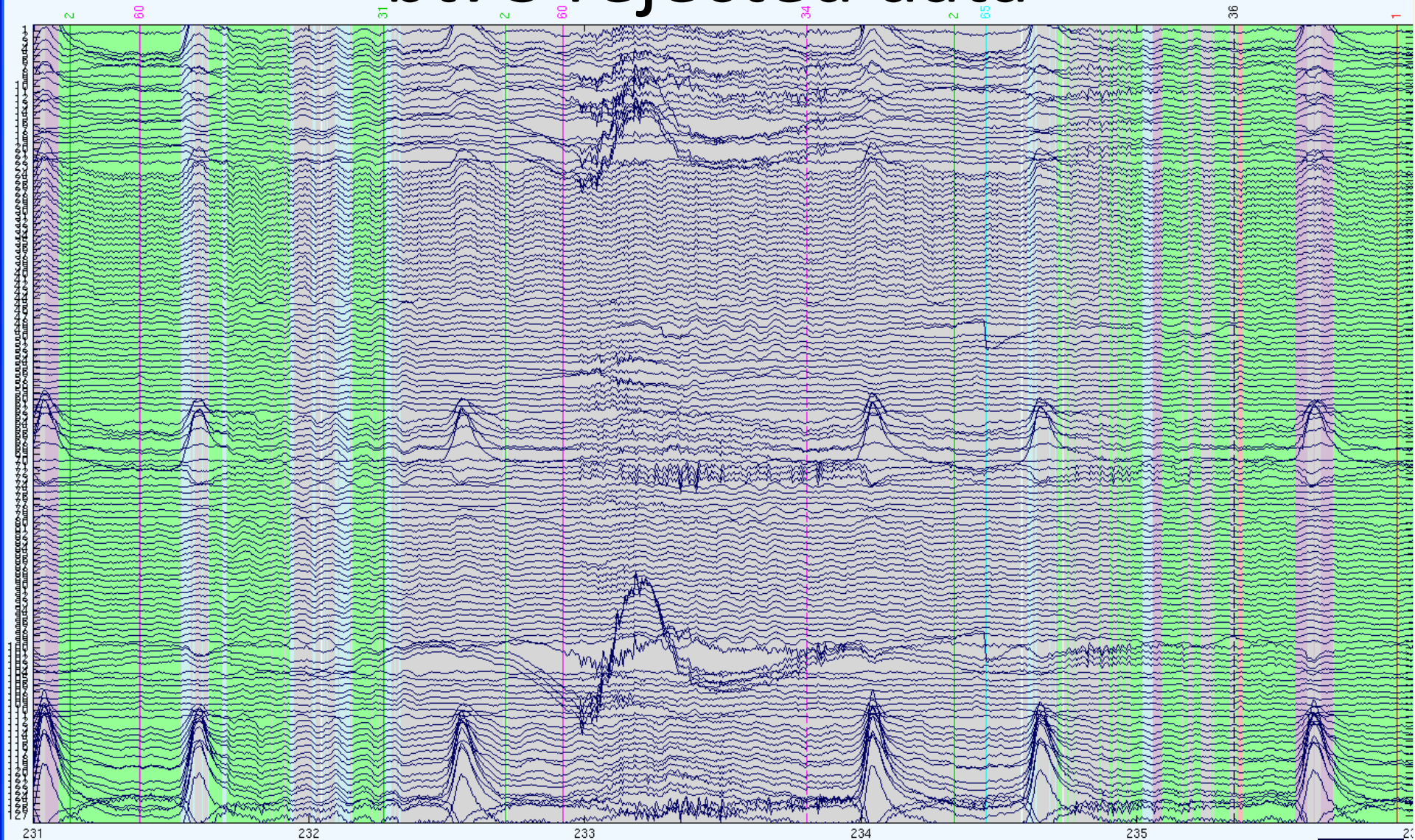
# bt73 blue model data



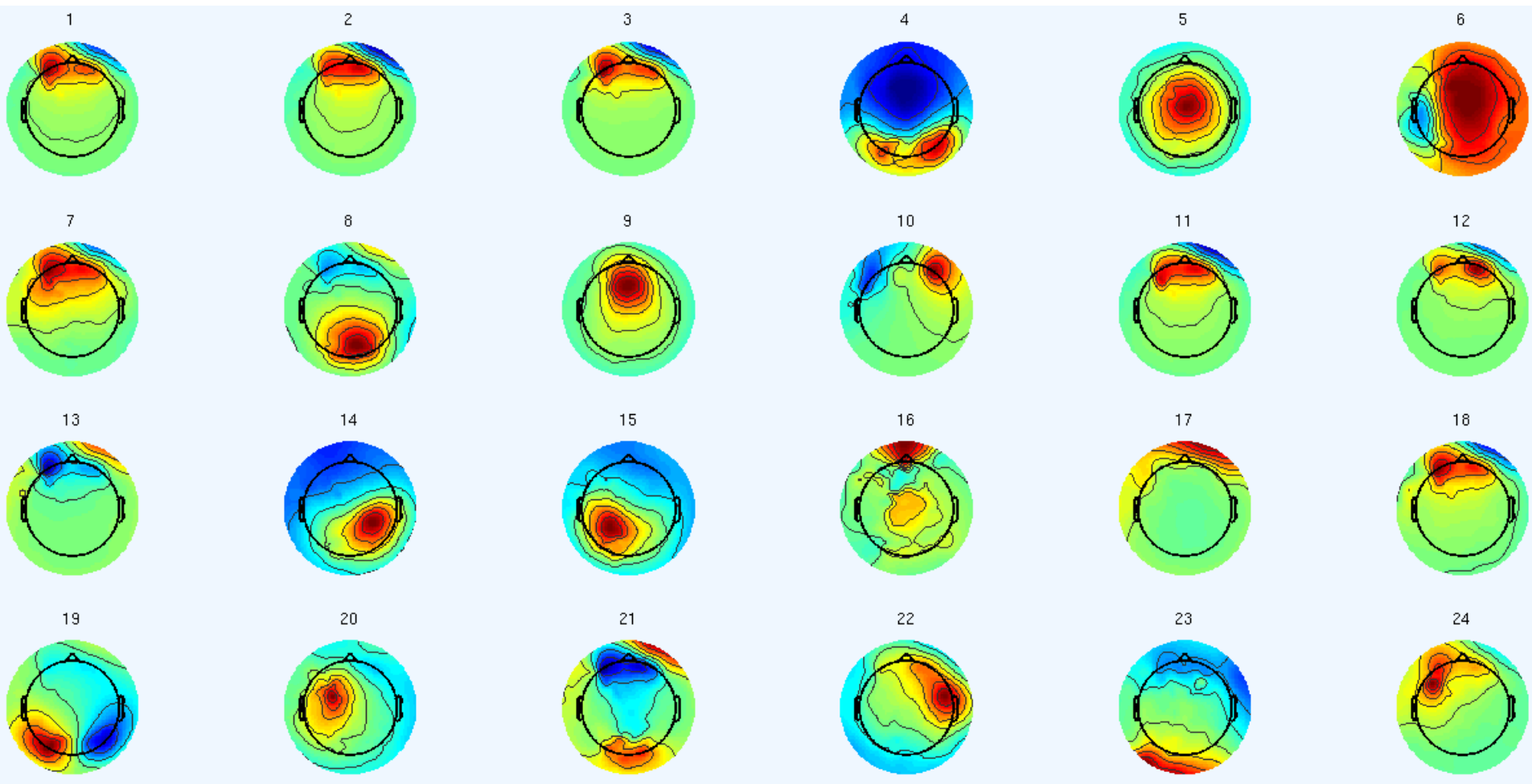
# bt73 red and cyan model data



# bt73 rejected data



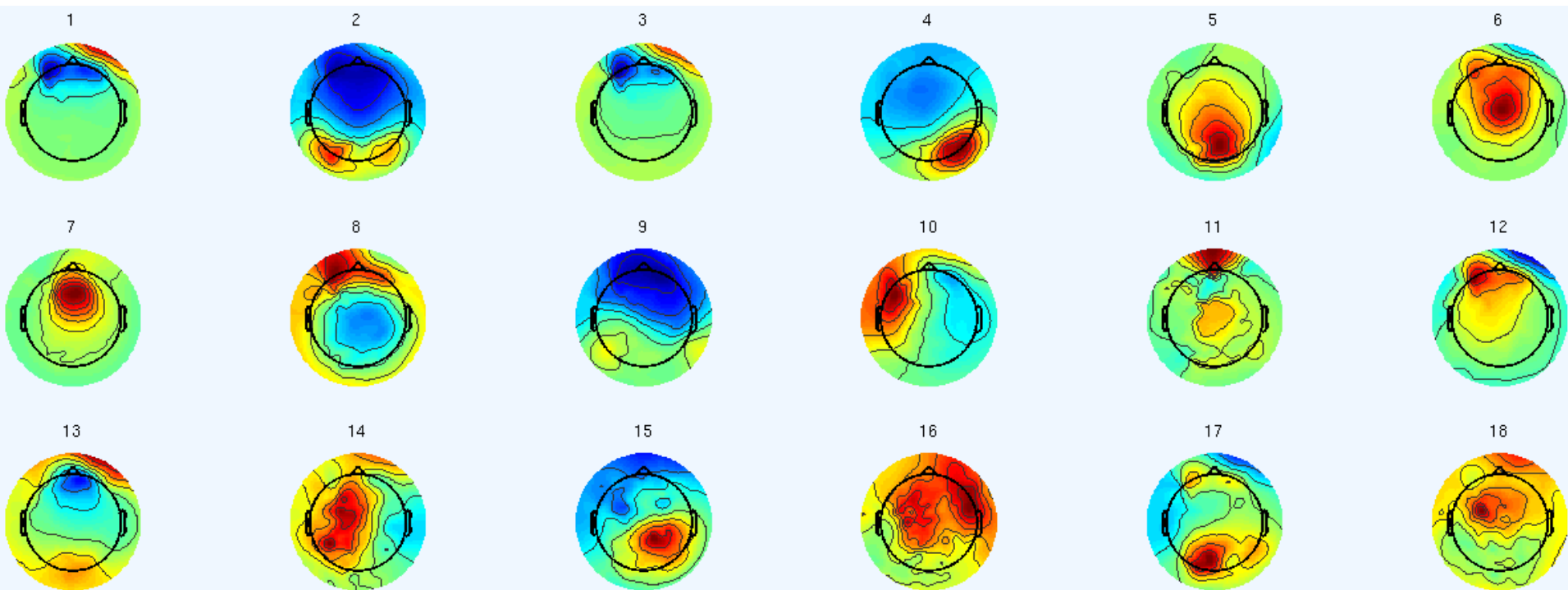
# bt73 single model components



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# bt73 green model components

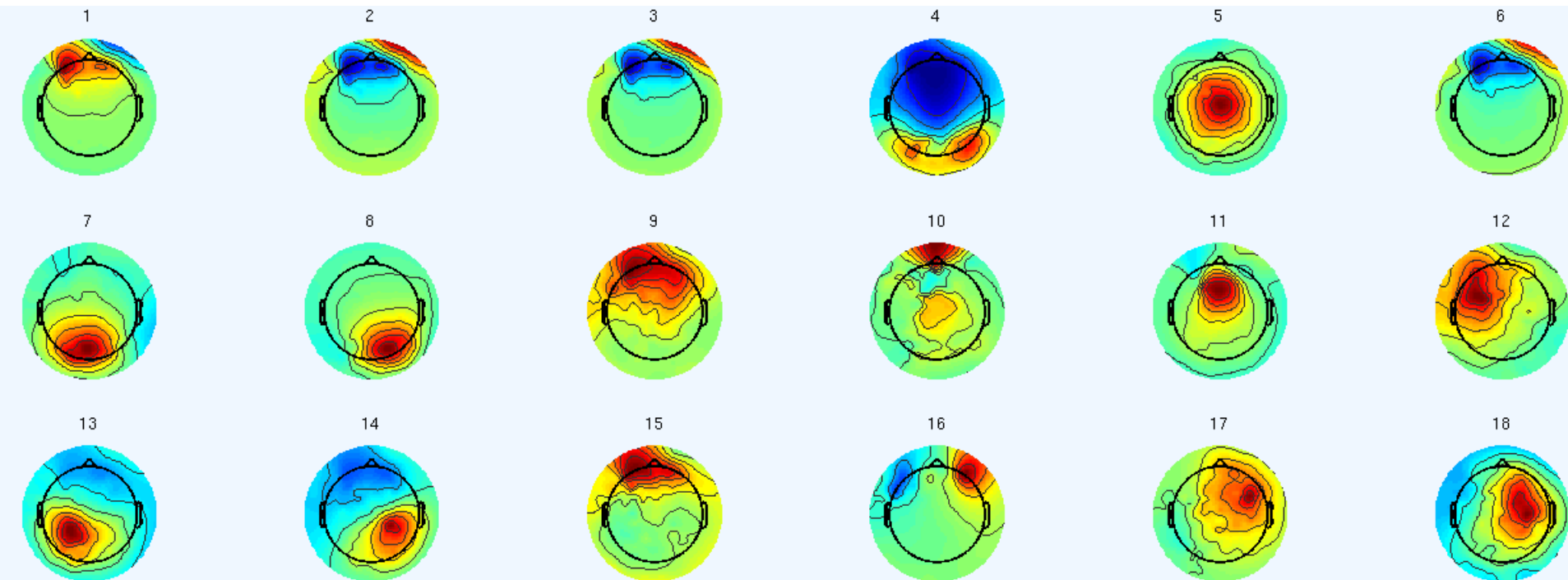
- Prominent alpha and frontal midline components
- Weak mu components





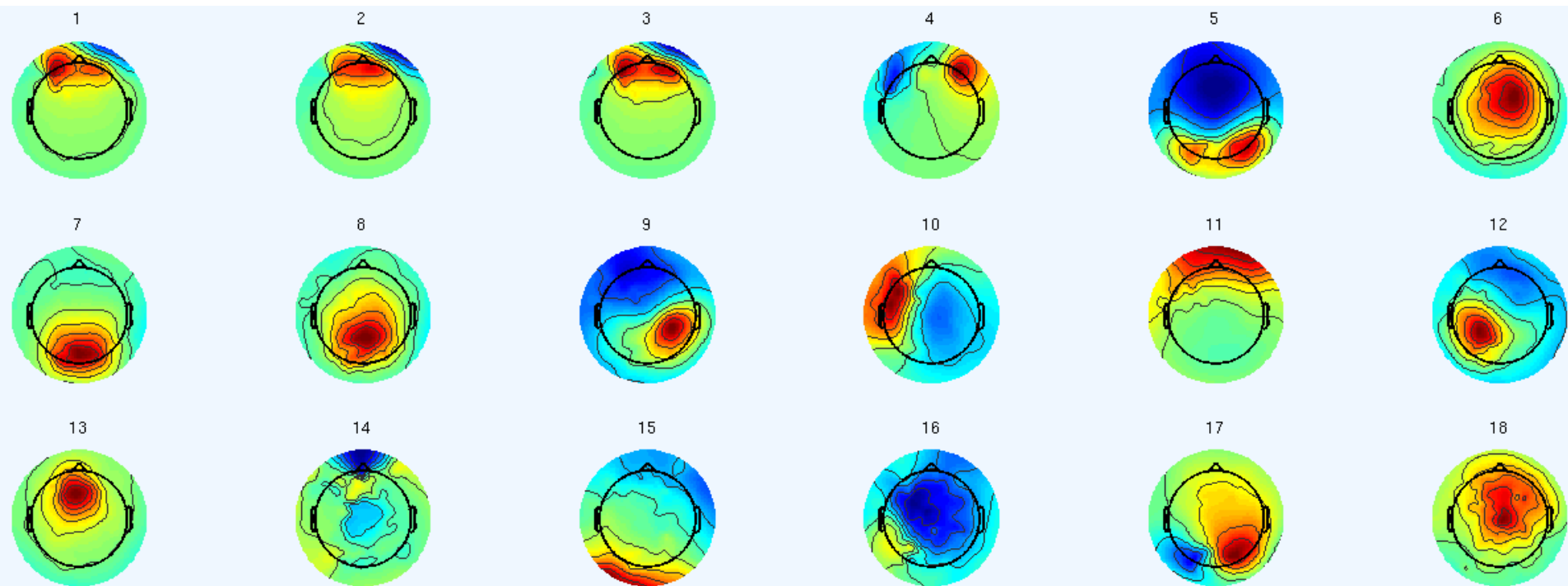
# bt73 blue model components

- Prominent alpha and central midline components
- Weak mu components
- Different occipital alpha components (7, 8)



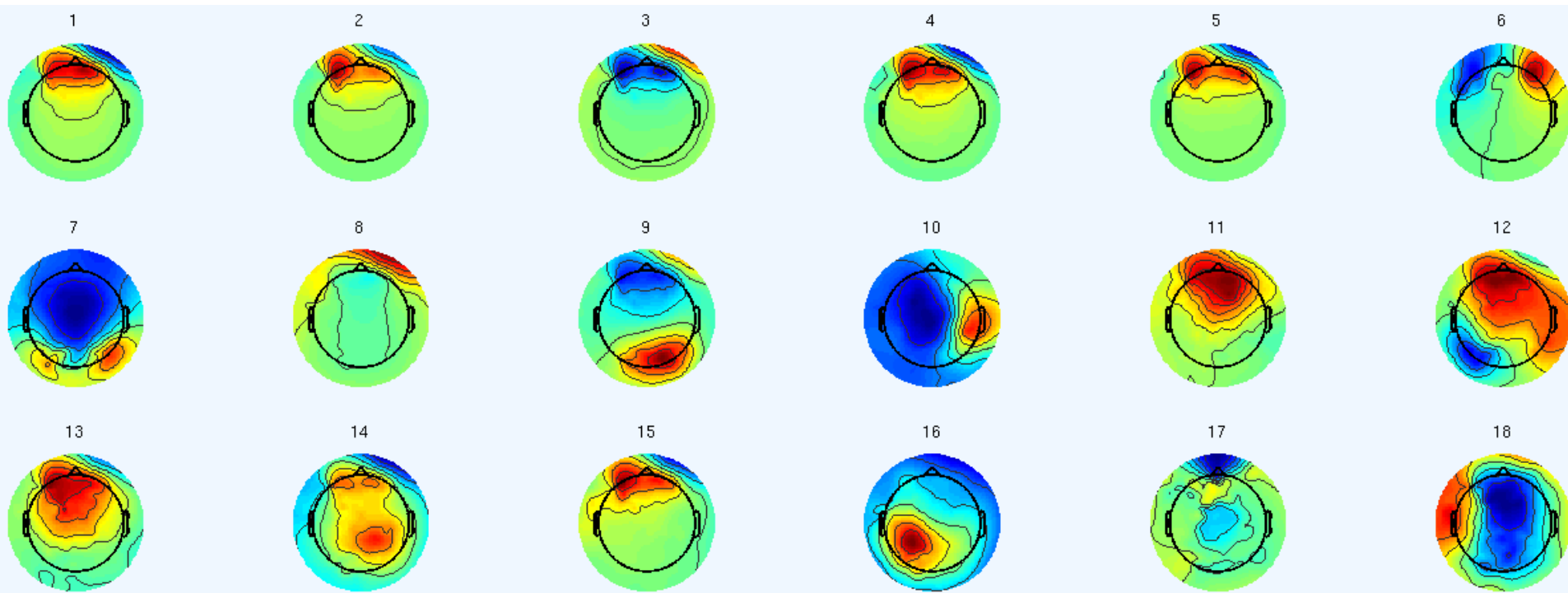
# bt73 red model components

- Prominent alpha and central midline components
- Lateral eye movement component (4)
- Tangential occipital component (17)



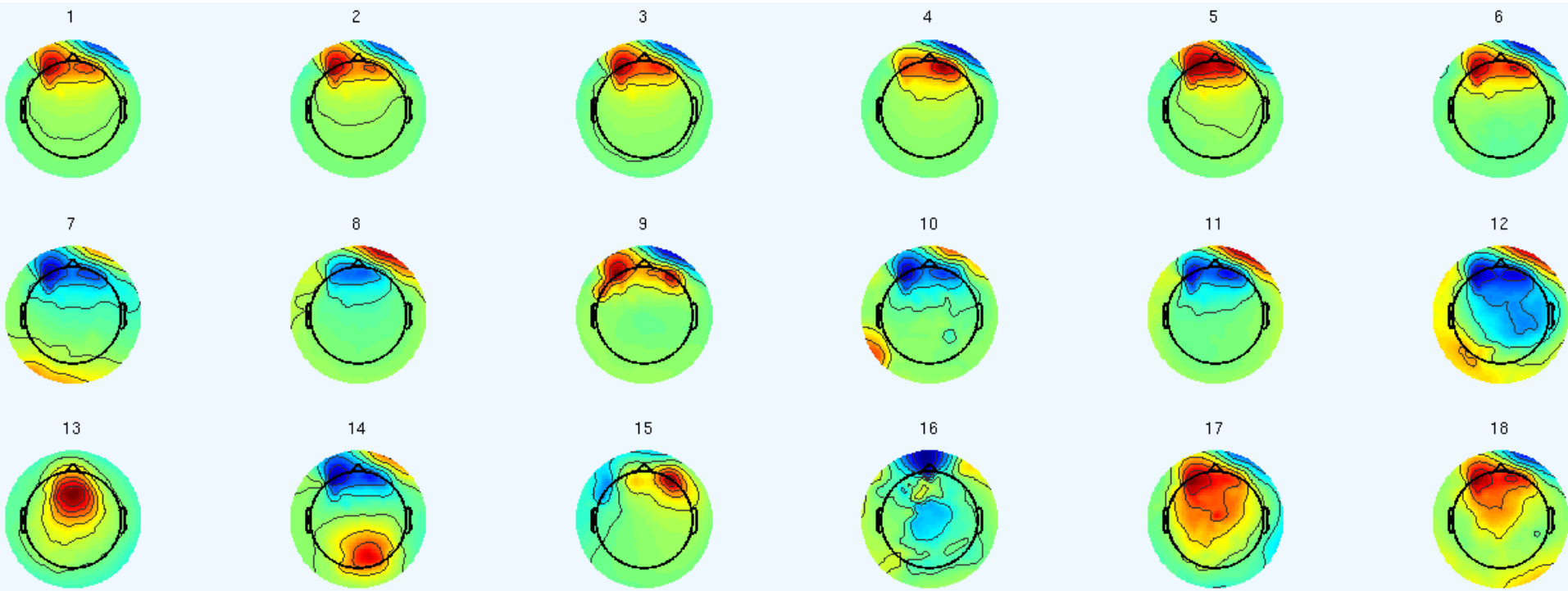
# bt73 cyan model components

- Prominent eye-blink components (1-5)
- Lateral eye-movement (6)



# bt73 magenta model components

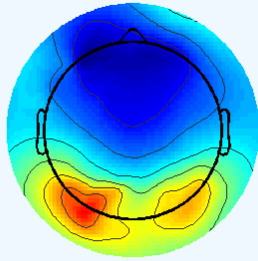
- Mostly eye-blink components (1-12)
- Frontal midline component (13)



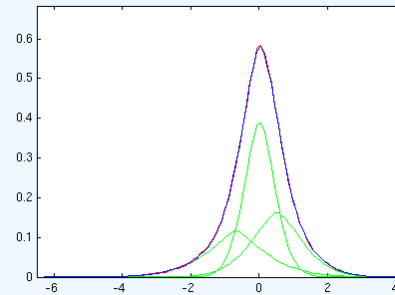
# bt73 green model alpha

- Components have more power in segments represented by model than in non-model segments

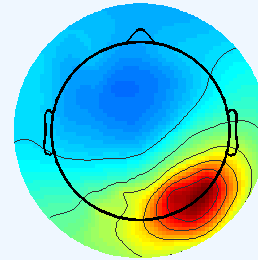
model 1 component 2 -- 37.8089% of points



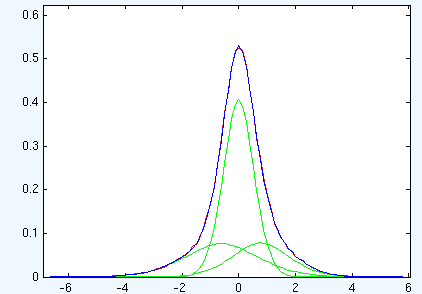
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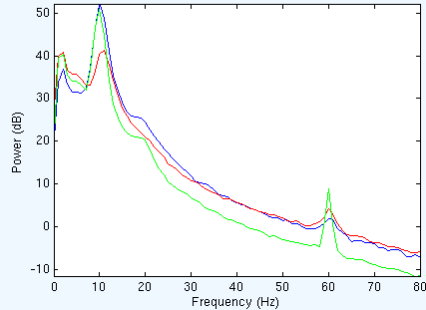
model 1 component 4 -- 37.8089% of points



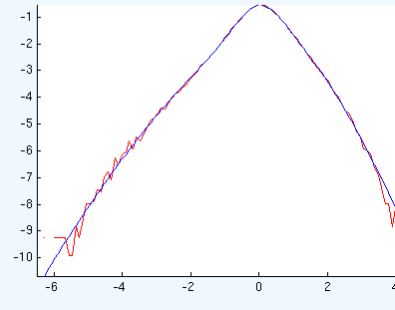
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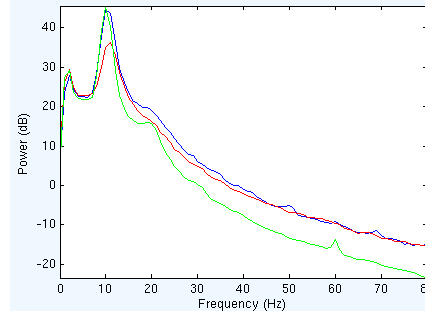
Spectrum of model and non-model time points



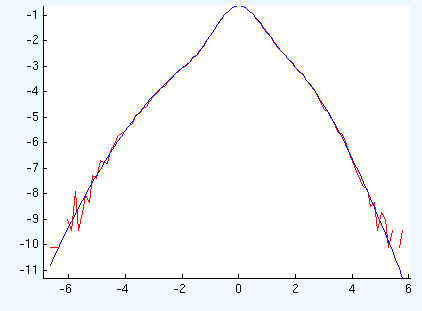
Log histogram and component density model



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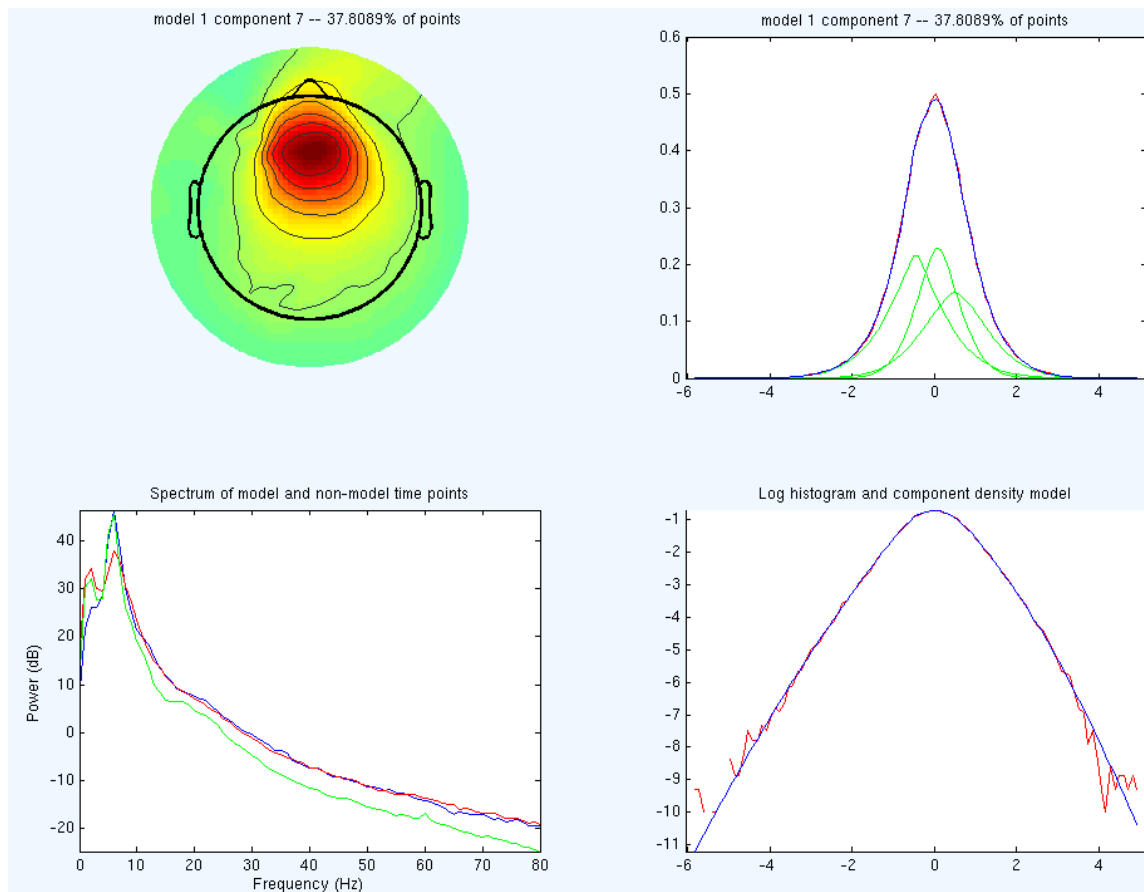


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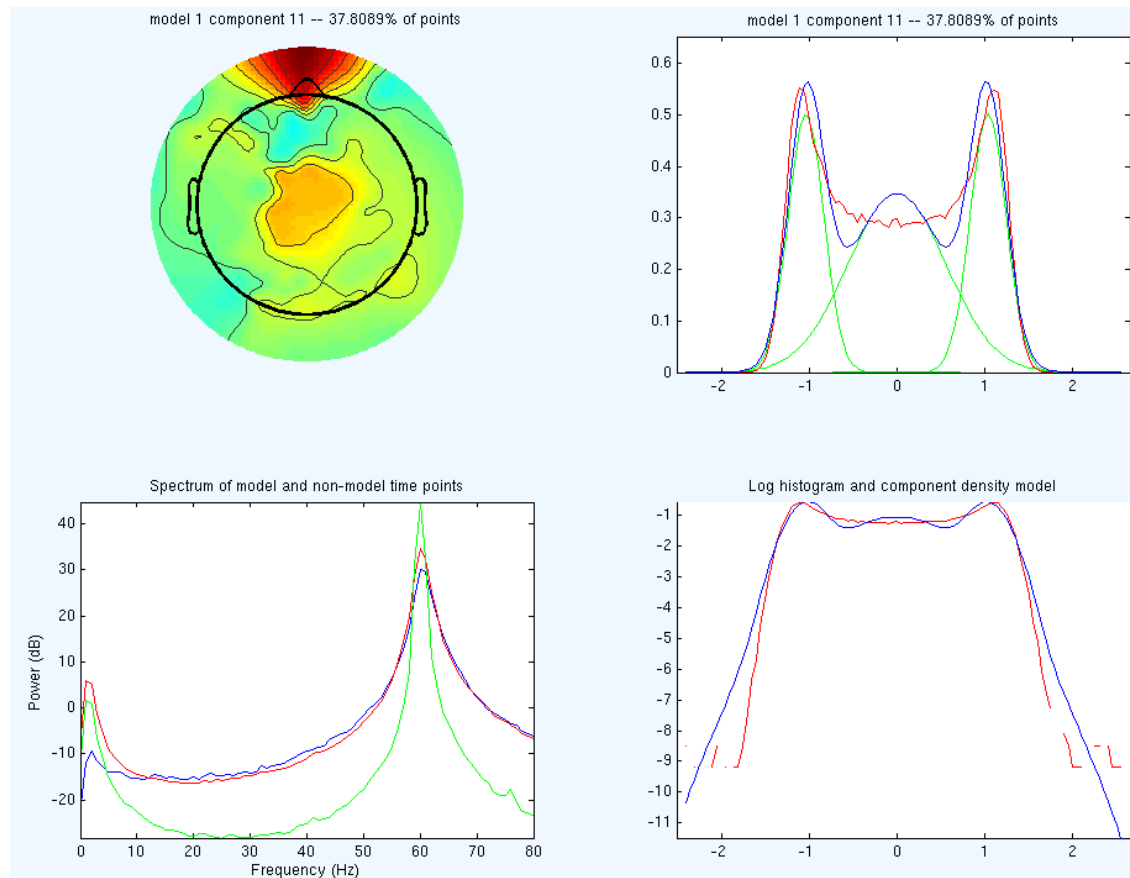
# bt73 green model frontal midline $\theta$

- Component again has more power in segments represented by model than in non-model segments



# bt73 green model power line comp

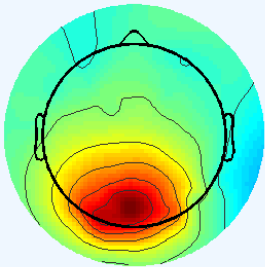
- Sub-Gaussian component represented by mixture model of Generalized Gaussian densities



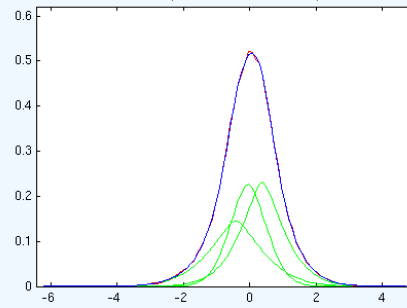
# bt73 blue model alpha

- Alpha peak shifted in model segments shifted slightly higher than in non-model time segments

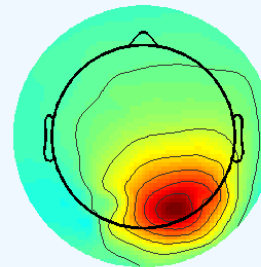
model 2 component 7 -- 26.0602% of points



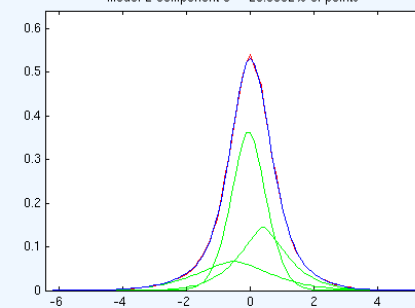
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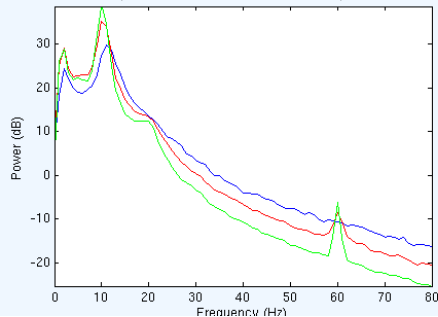
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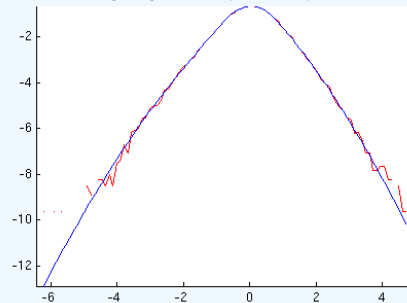
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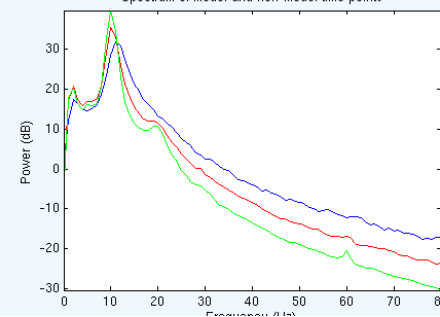
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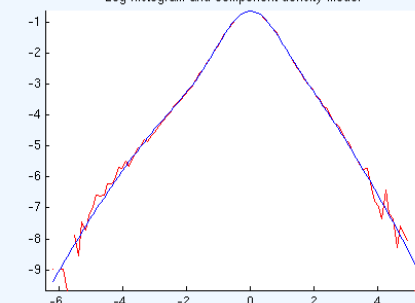
Log histogram and component density model



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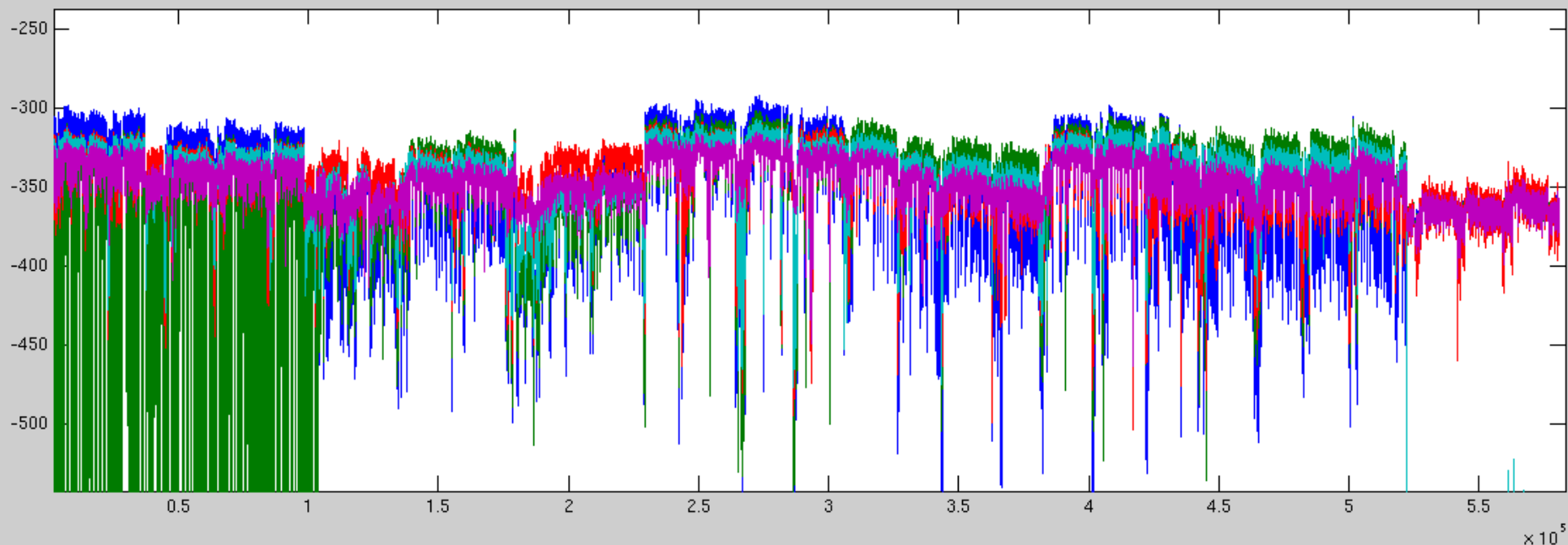
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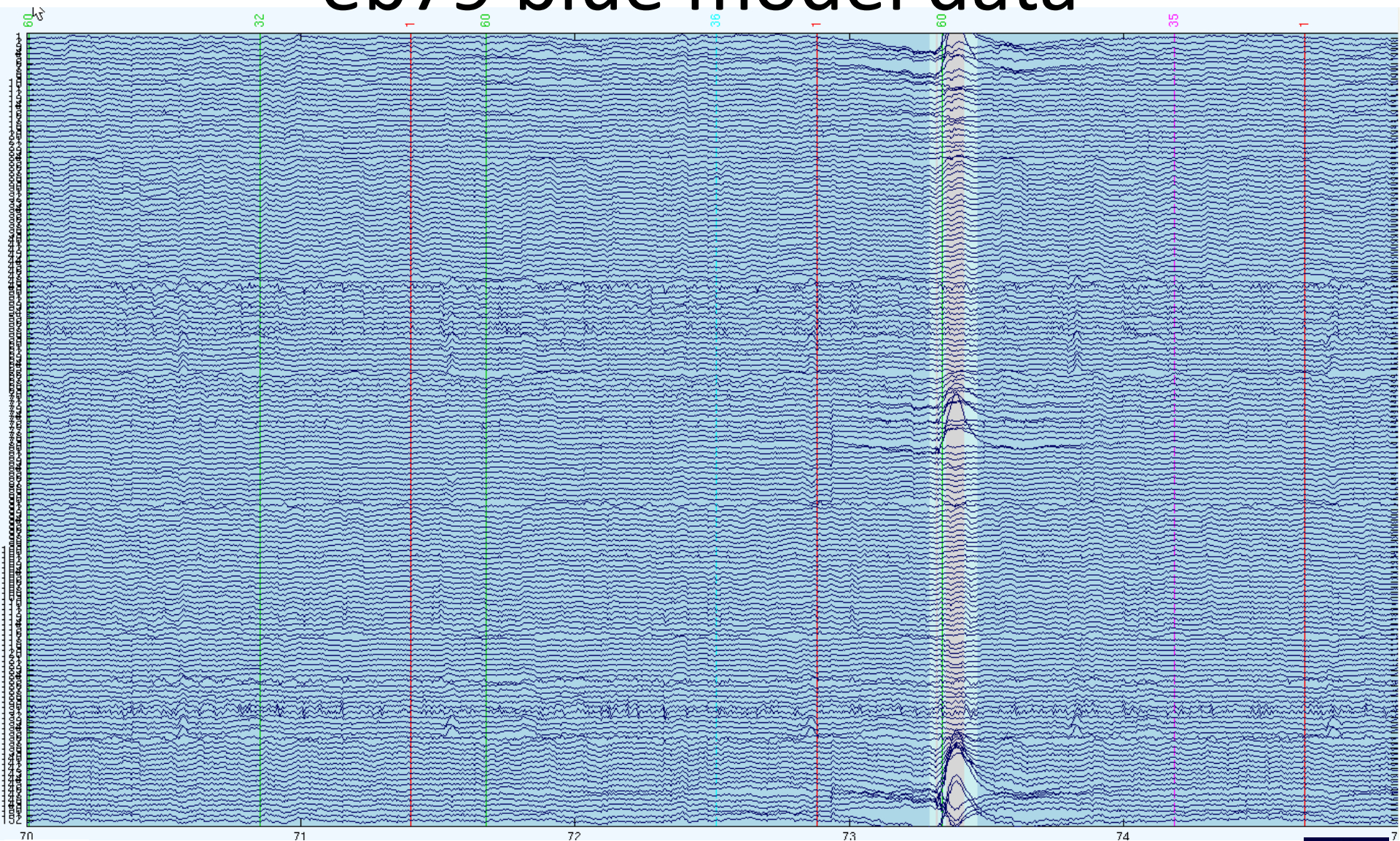


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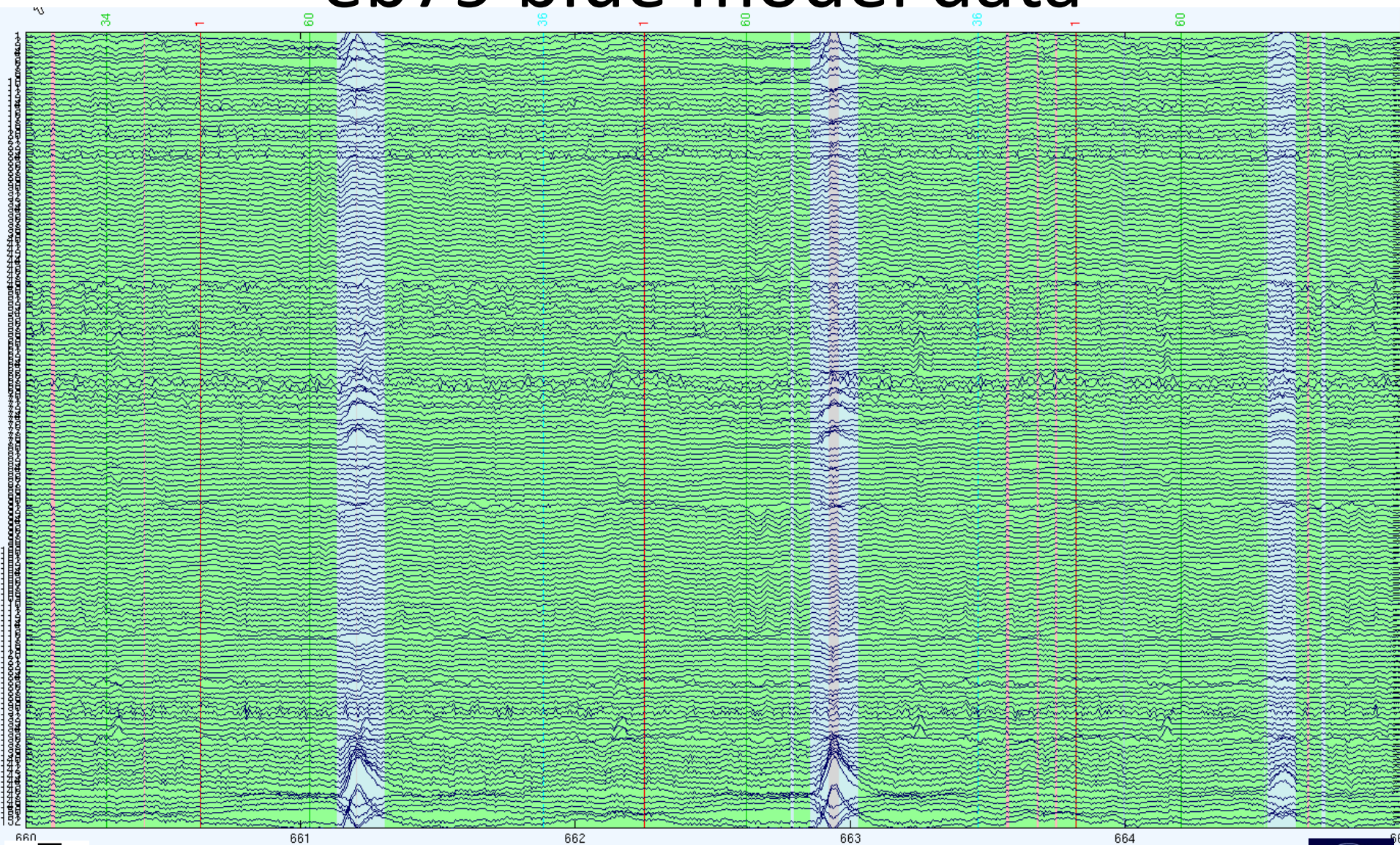
- Task trials are represented by blue, green, and red models
- Red model contains muscle activity not present in blue and green
- Eye blinks represented by cyan and magenta models



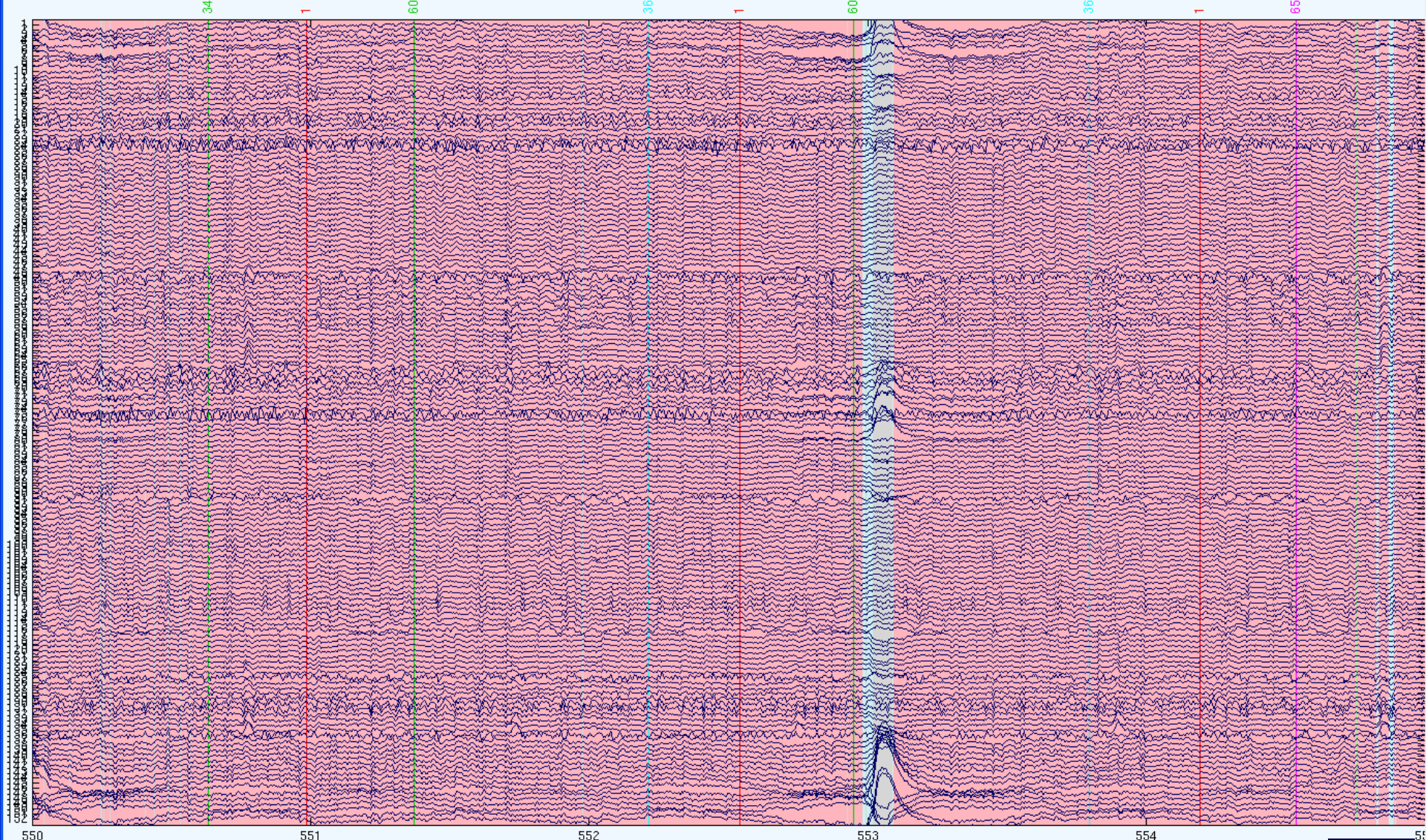
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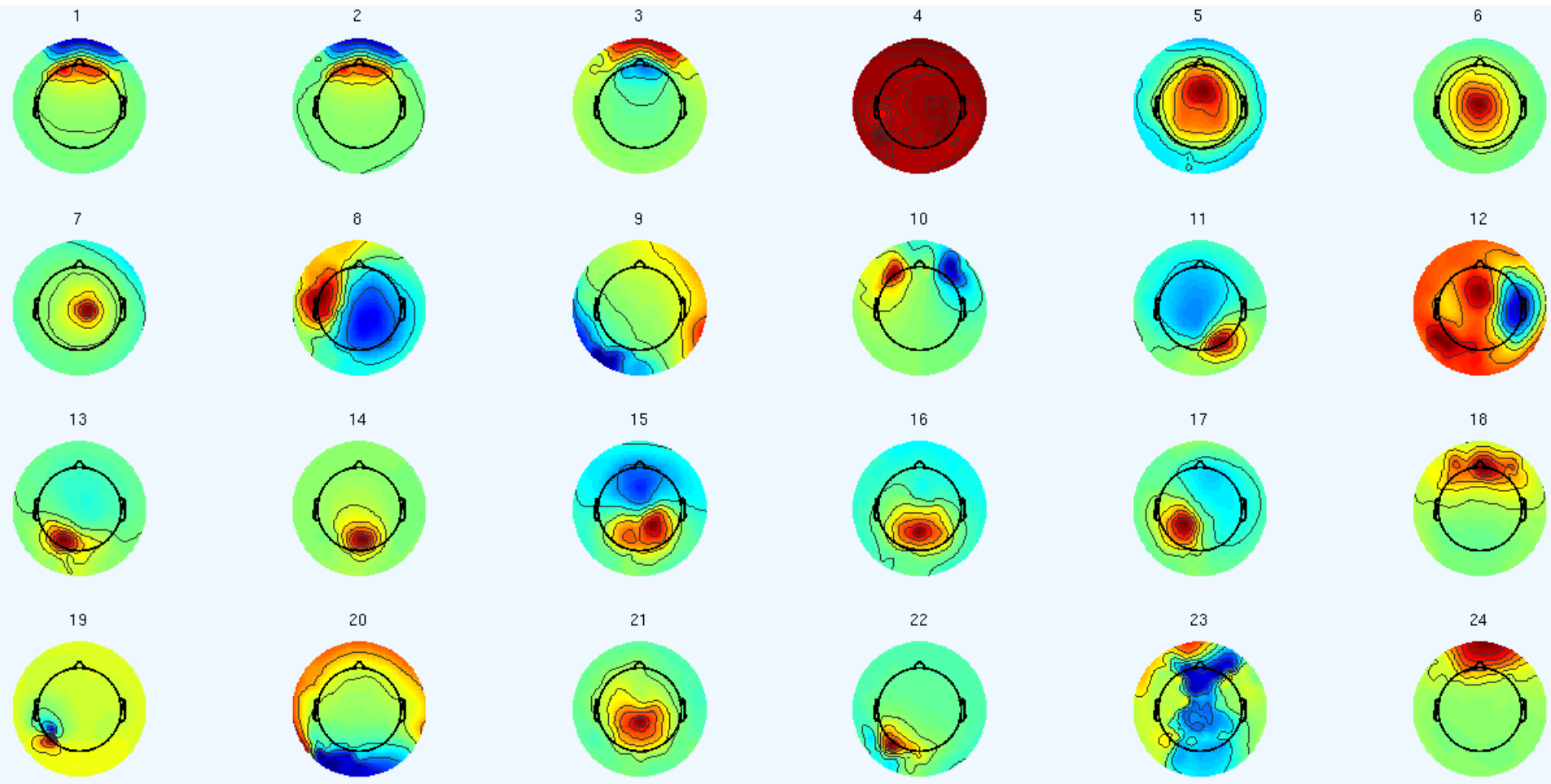
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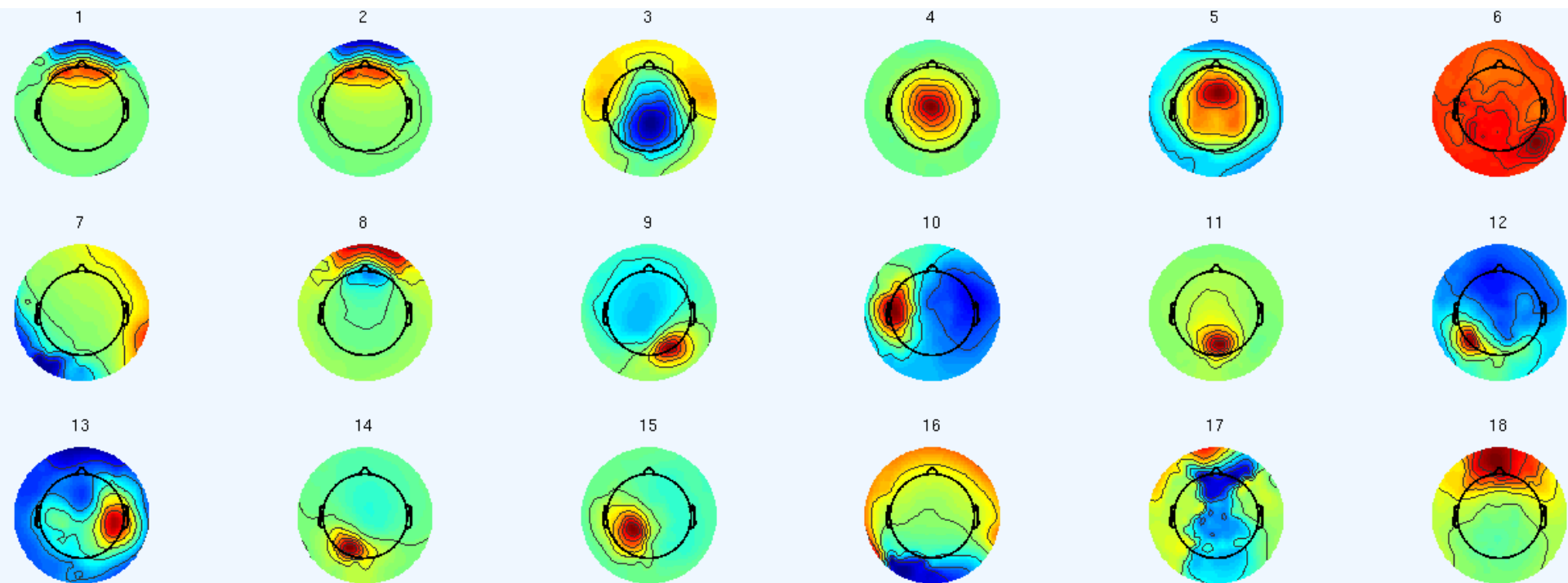
# bt73 single model components



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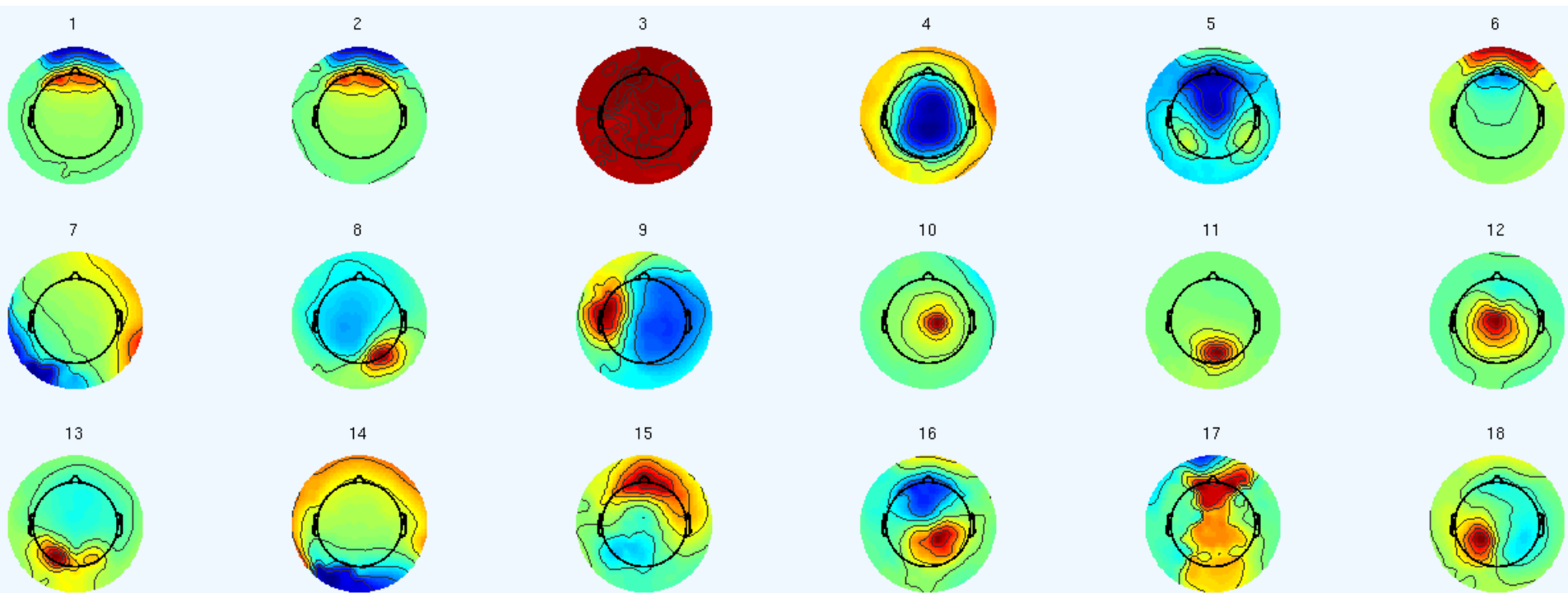
# eb79 blue model components

- Prominent midline and occipital alpha components
- Weak mu components



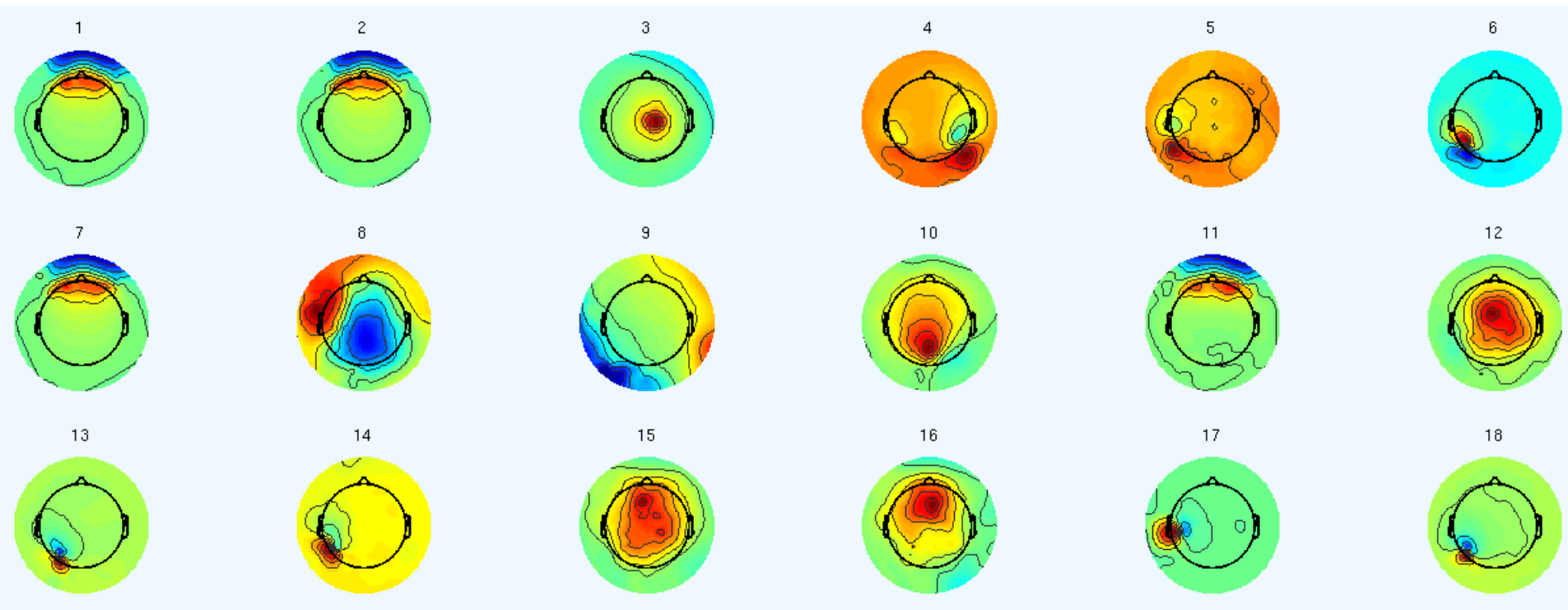
# eb79 green model components

- Prominent occipital alpha components
- Weaker frontal midline



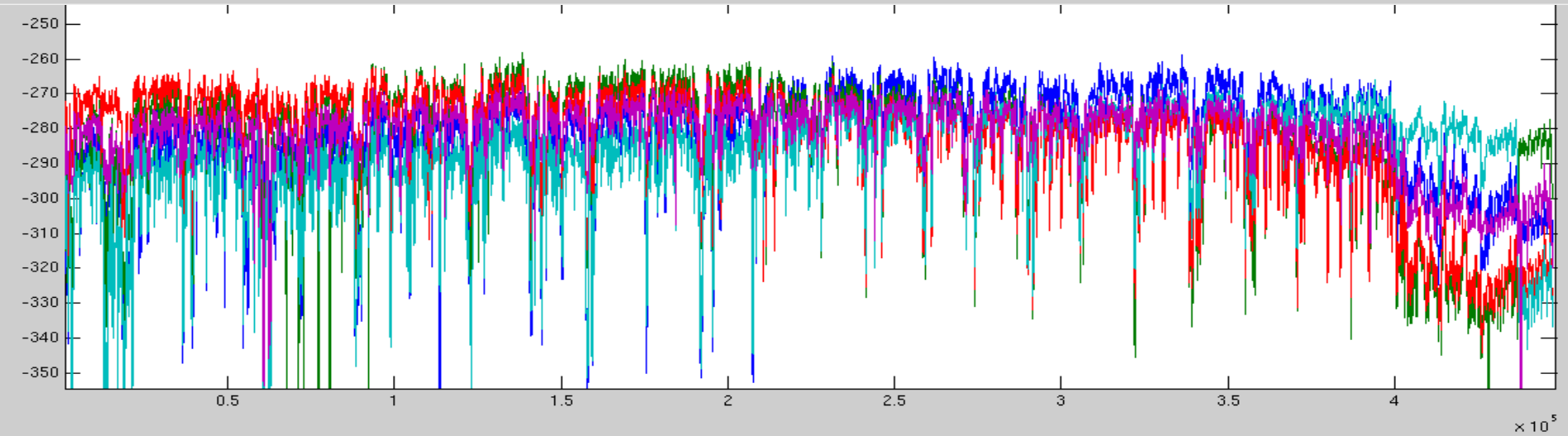
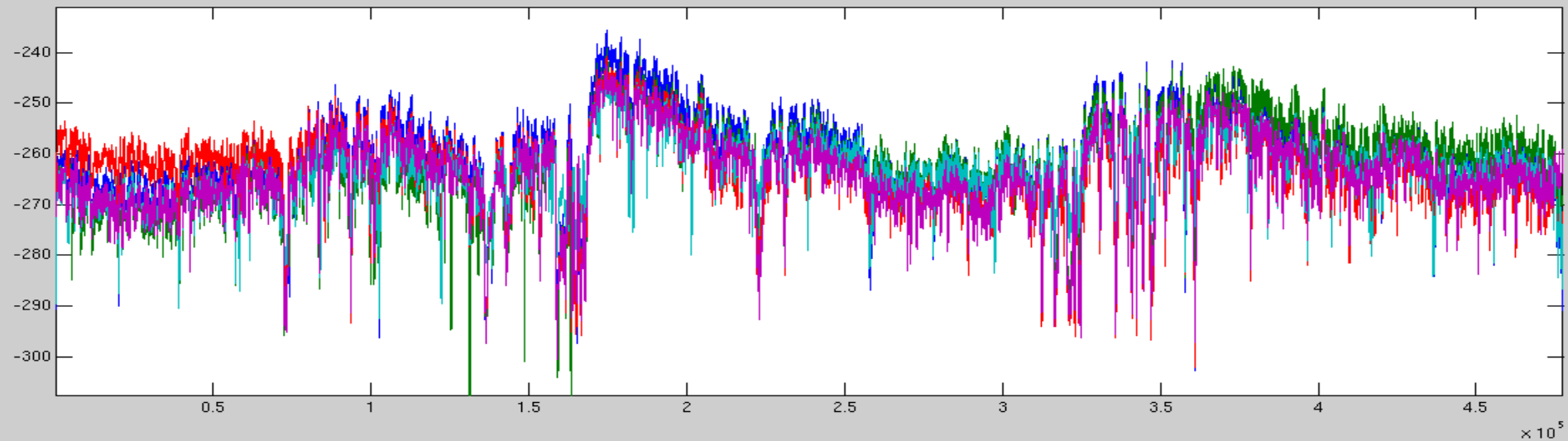
# eb79 red model components

- Prominent muscle components (4, 5, 6, 13, 14, 17, 18)



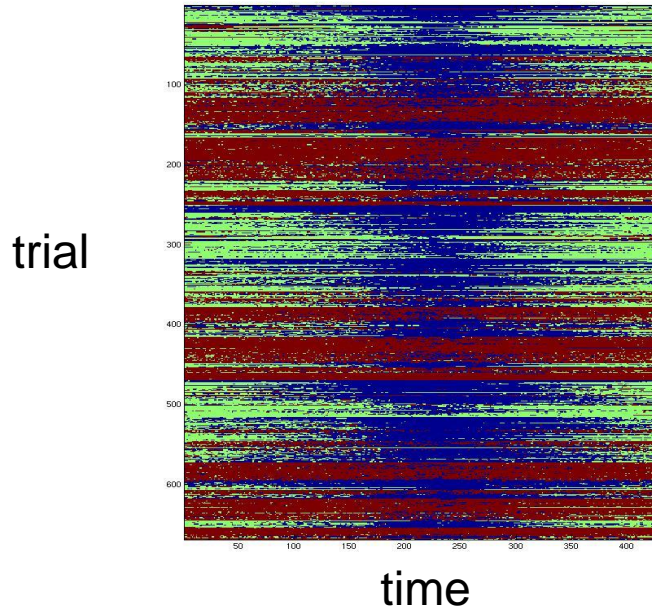


# ld81 and dh84 segmentation

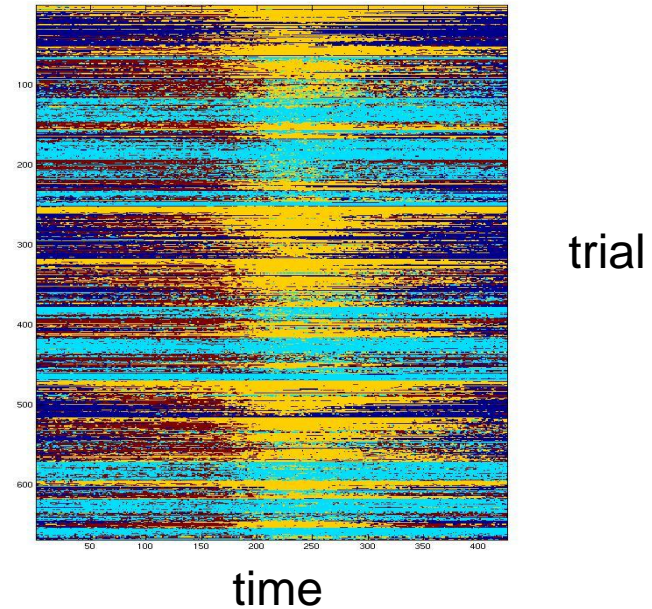


# Consistency over Number of Models

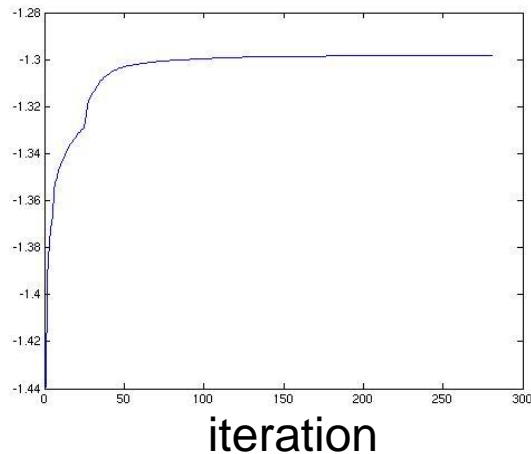
3 models



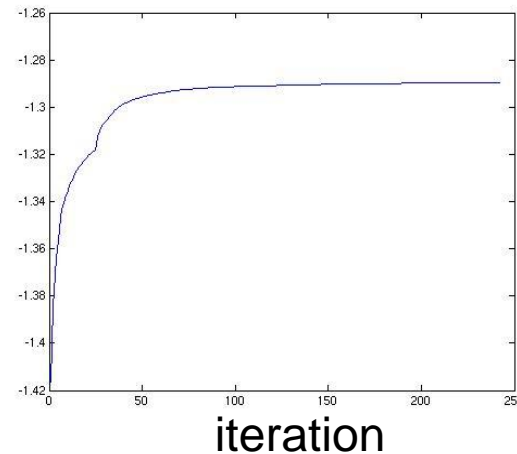
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log likelihood



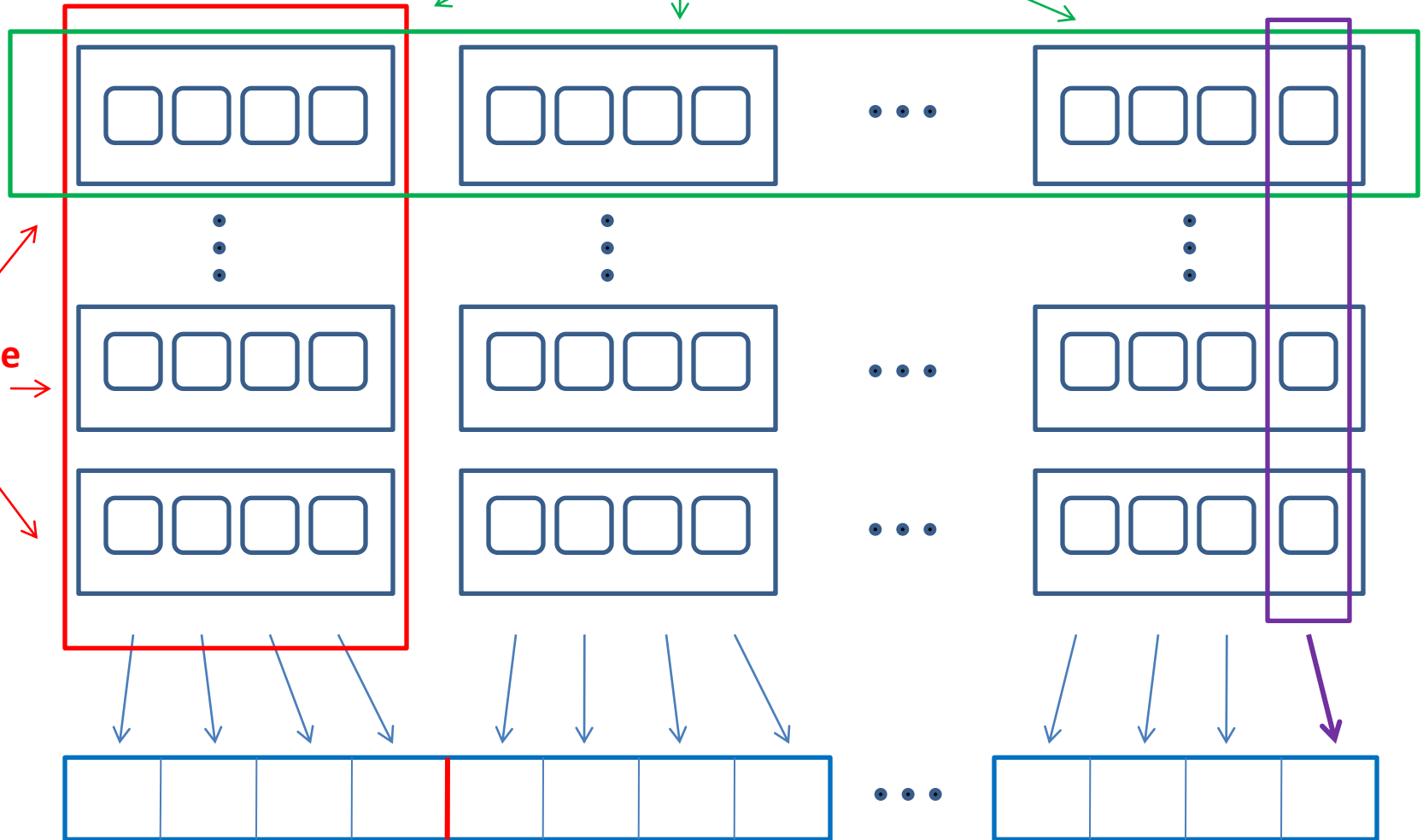
log likelihood



# Parallel architecture

Cores for  
this data  
block

Data segment node comm



Data in segments and blocks

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# Parallel architecture (cont.)

- Parallelization is implemented using MPI to parallelize over nodes, and OpenMP to parallelize over cores within a node (using shared memory)
- Data is divided into segments (assigned to nodes) and blocks (assigned to cores)
- Multiple nodes are devoted to the same segment, one for each model
- An “update” is computed for each segment. Two directions of data communication flow:
  - Model nodes communicate to normalize update by likelihood of segment over all models
  - Segment nodes communicate to average the segment updates into one global update of parameters
- Global update computed at root node and sent back to model and segment nodes
- Also implemented with unstructured collection of cores for random assignment on large cluster
- Portable implementation allows execution on many platforms, including Teragrid, an NSF project with NCSA, SDSC, and others

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# Take Home Messages

- With sufficient amount of data, **multiple ICA models can be estimated simultaneously** and used overcome non-stationarity and segment data.
- **Newton method** significantly improves convergence rate, and conditioning in multiple model case.
- **Arbitrary source densities** modeled with non-Gaussian source mixture model.
- Likelihood can be conveniently used to **reject data**.
- **Some EEG sources really are stationary** (eyes, heartbeat, power line, frontal midline, mu, etc.) These should be identified across models to improve efficiency of estimation (in progress). Alpha components seem to be variable.

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# Code and Papers

- There is Matlab code available!
  - Generate toy mixture model data for testing
  - Full method implemented: mixture sources, mixture ICA, Newton
- Paper draft available, with derivation of mixture model Newton updates
- Download from:

<http://sccn.ucsd.edu/~jason>

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