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NERV

Systems neuroengineering to model and
interface brain networks

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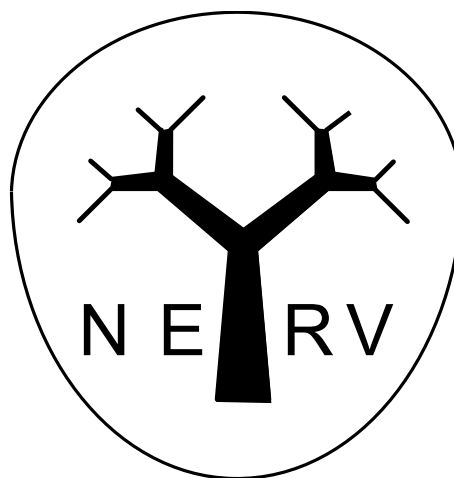
The NERV Lab is a multidisciplinary research team supported by the French institutions [Inria](#), [Inserm](#), [CNRS](#), and [Sorbonne](#) University. The team is located in the Paris Brain Institute ([ICM](#)) within the [Pitié-Salpêtrière](#) hospital, one of the largest European medical centers.

The NERV Lab pursues an innovative research program at the intersection between biomedical engineering, complex systems and clinical neuroscience. Our ambition is to better understand the structural and functional organization of the human brain in health and disease.





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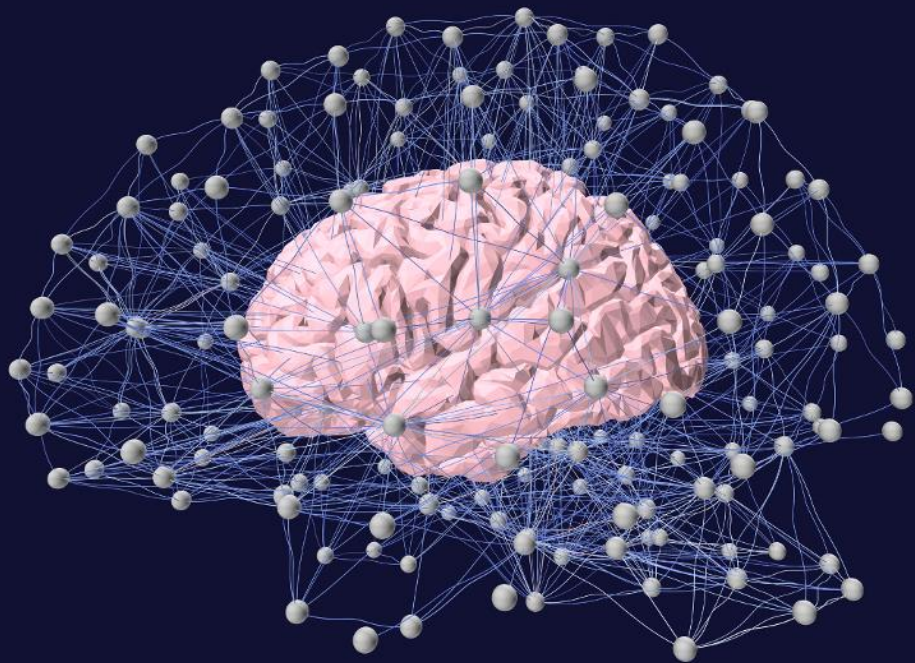
20 Non-permanent members

- 4 Postdoc and engineers
- 9 PhD students
- (~4 MSc students/year)

Naturally diverse

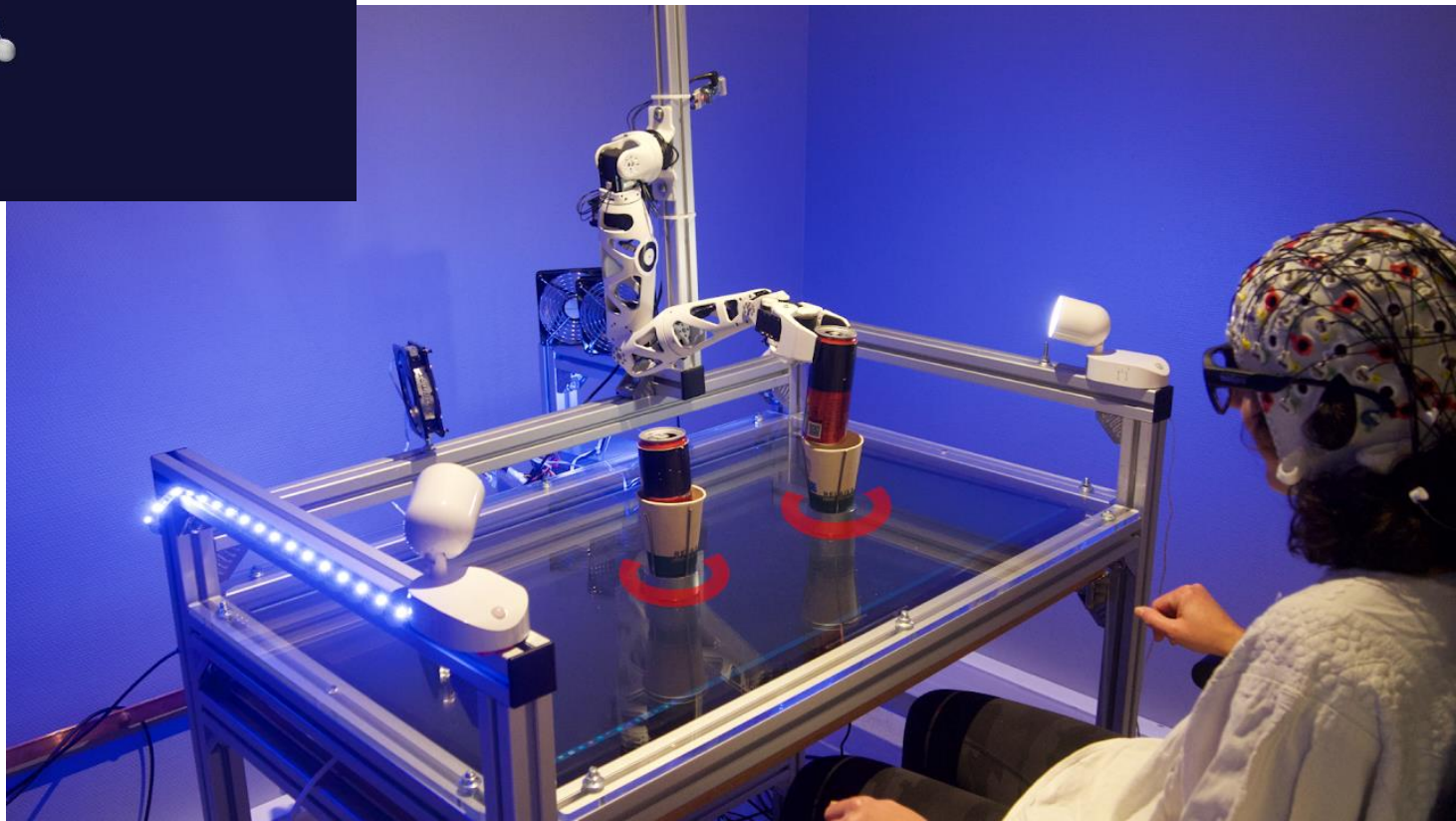
- Gender balance (~40%)
- Nationality (7 countries)
- Expertise (7 disciplines)

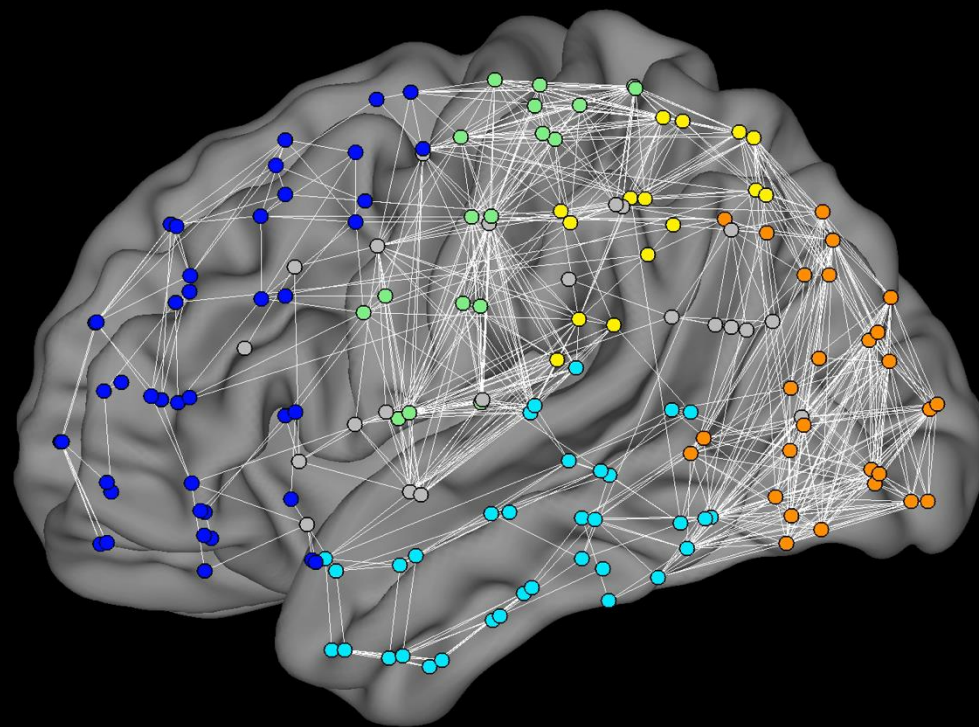
1. Fabrizio de Vico Fallani (DR2 Inria)
2. Marie-Constance Corsi (CR Inria)
3. Mario Chavez (DR2 CNRS)
4. Laurent Hugueville (IR CNRS)
5. Laurent Bougrain (Ass. Prof Univ. Lorraine)



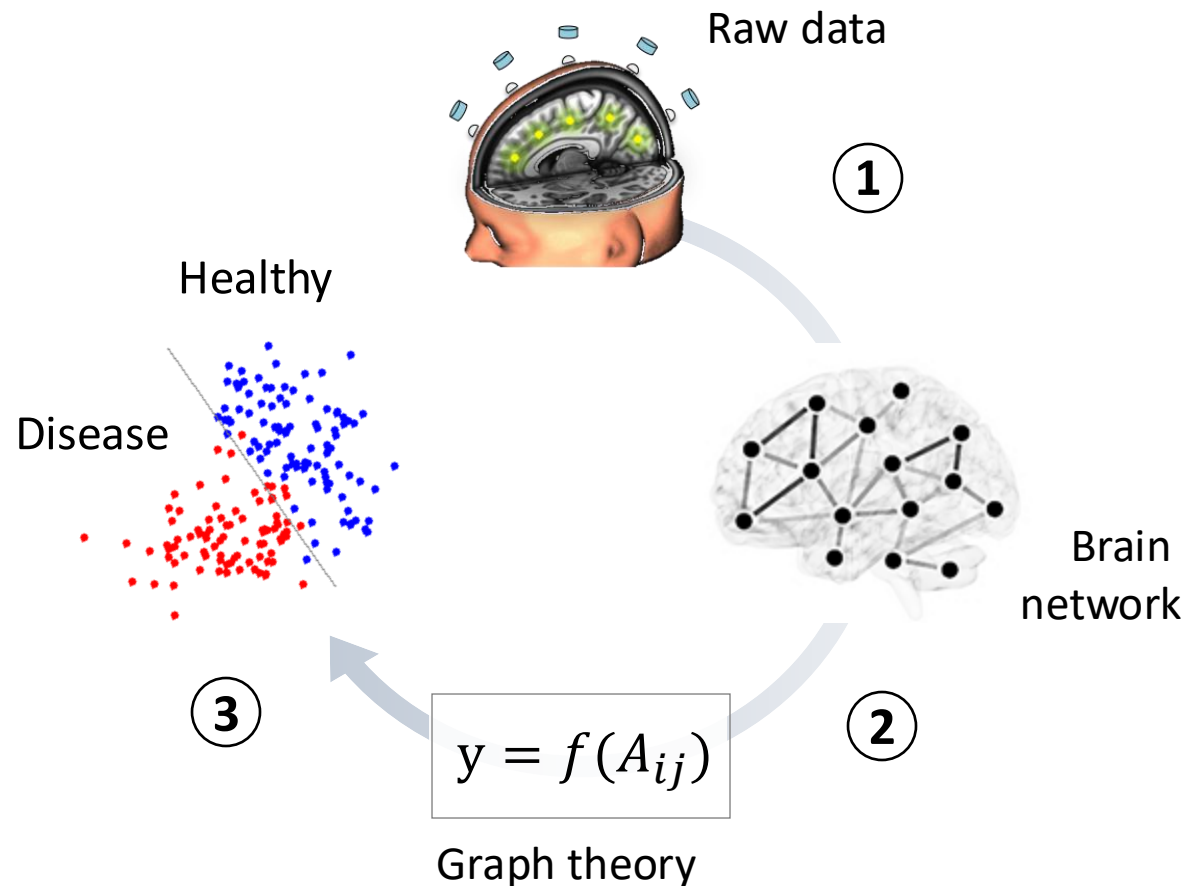
Brain-computer interfaces

Systems neuroscience





Methodological framework



De Vico Fallani et al, Phil Trans Royal Soc B, 2014

1. From raw data to connectivity

- High data complexity
Navarro et al, IEEE TBME, 2017
- Low signal-to-noise ratio
Chavez et al, IEEE TNSRE, 2018

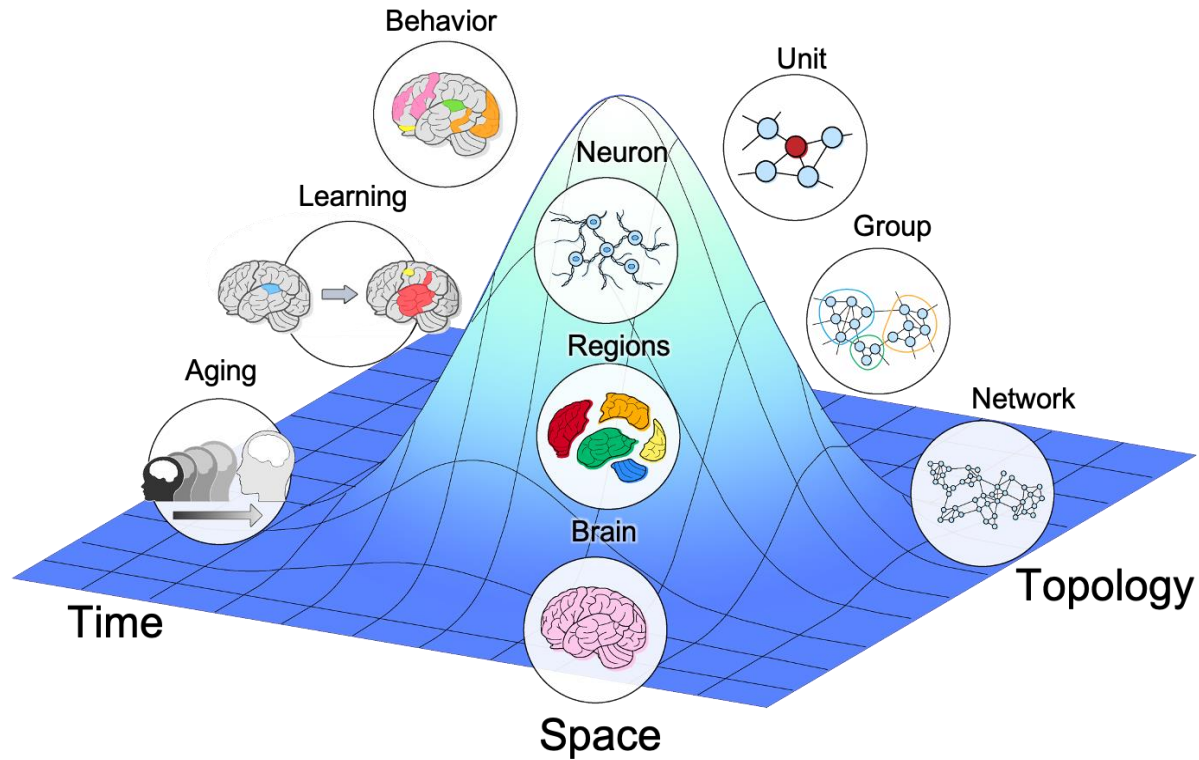
2. Graph analysis and modeling

- Filtering information in brain networks
De Vico Fallani et al, PloS comp Biol, 2017
- Robust detection of network properties
De Vico Fallani et al, PRE, 2014

3. New characterization of brain diseases

- Integration/segregation in stroke recovery
Obando et al, J R Soc Interface, 2022
- Core-periphery structure in Alzheimer's
Guillon et al, Netw Neurosci, 2019

Complex systems science for multiscale networks



Presigny & De Vico Fallani, Reviews Modern Physics, 2023

❑ Network dynamics

- Temporal networks
Dichio et al, Phys Rev Lett, 2023
- Network controllability
Ben Messaoud et al, PLoS Comp Biol, 2024

❑ Network structure

- Multilayer networks
Presigny et al, Nat Comm, 2024
- Network embedding
Longhena et al, Phys Rev E, 2025

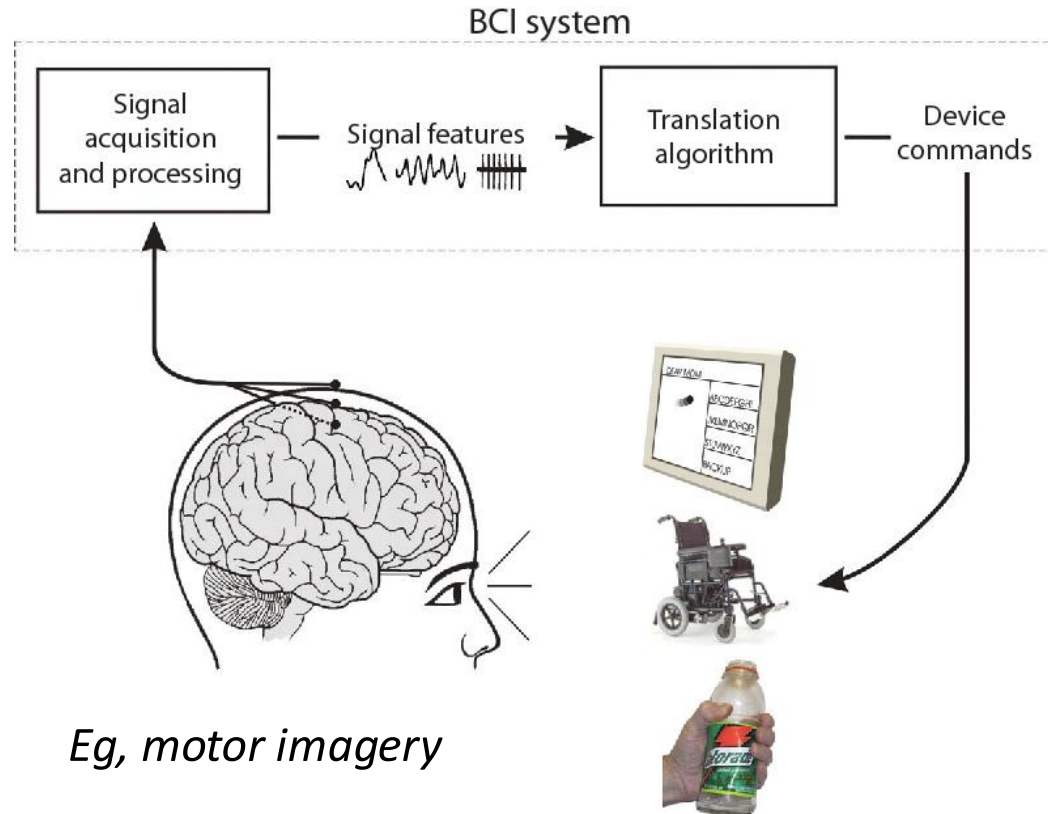
❑ Multimodal networks

- ML fusion & nonlinearity
Corsi et al, IEEE TBME, 2022
- Brain-heart interactions
Candia-Rivera et al, IEEE RBME, 2025



Venot et al, J Neural Eng, 2023

Noninvasive brain-computer interfaces (BCIs)



From Chaudary et al, Nat Rev Neurol, 2016

Great potential for **clinical applications**

- Real-time decoding → Assistive BCIs
- Neural plasticity → Rehabilitative BCIs

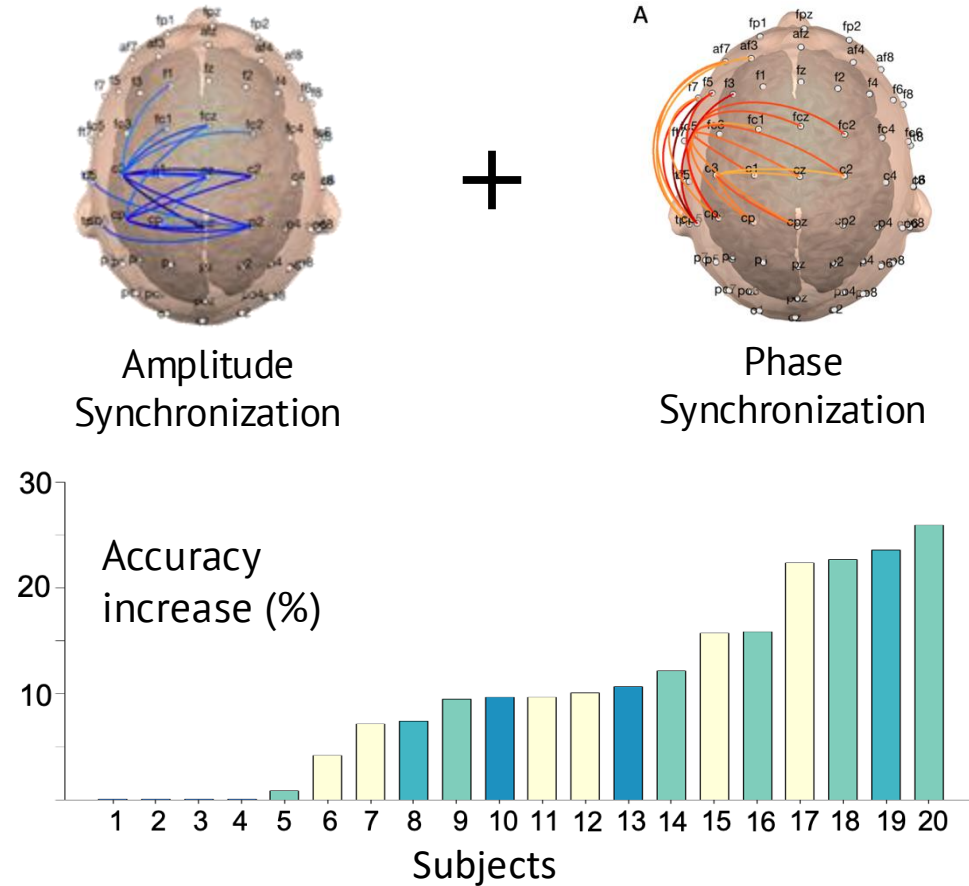
Problem : Current BCIs fail to detect the mental intentions in 20-50% of users

Why ? Overlook of interconnected nature of brain functioning

De Vico Fallani & Bassett, Phys Life Rev, 2019

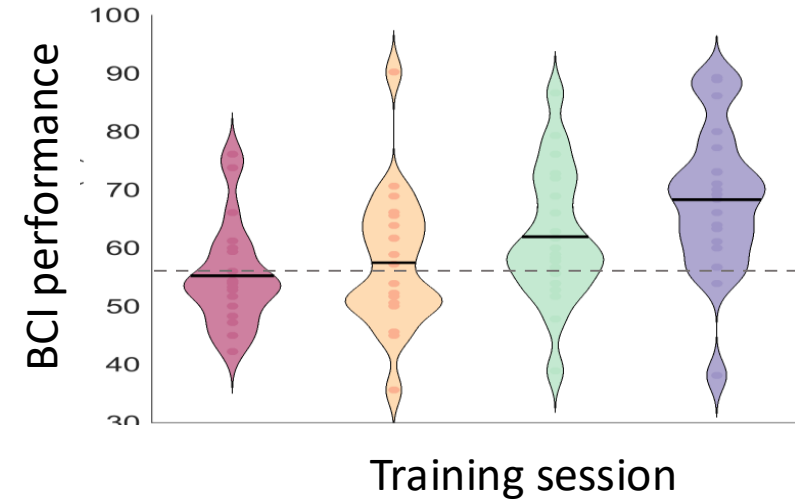
Role of brain networks in BCIs

Engineer the features space



Cattai et al, IEEE TNSRE, 2021

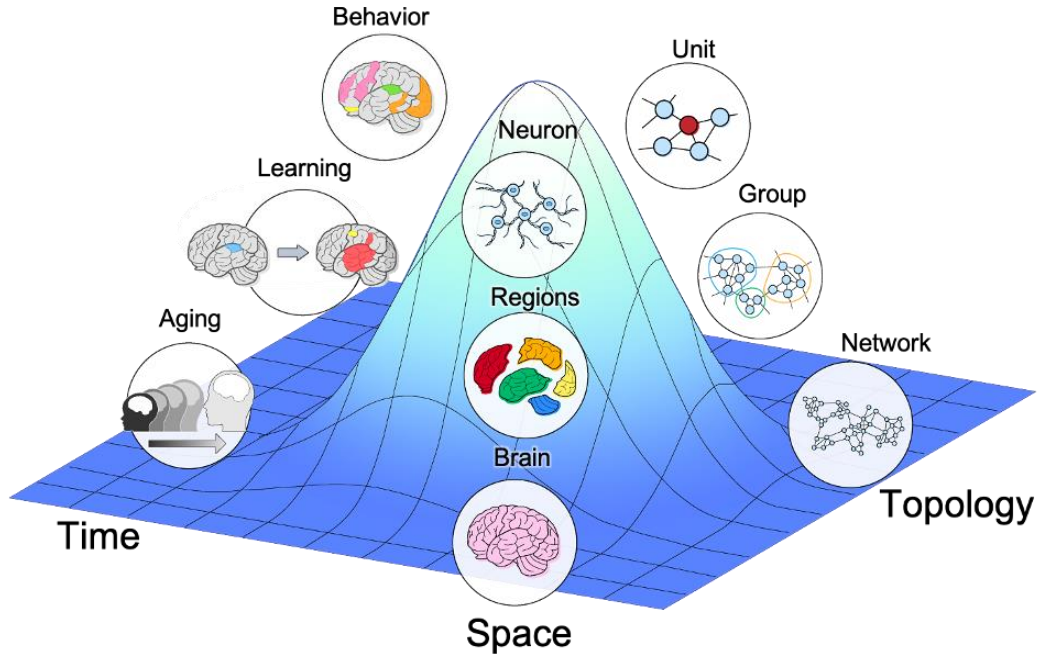
Better understand BCI learning



Progressive
disconnection of
attentional areas

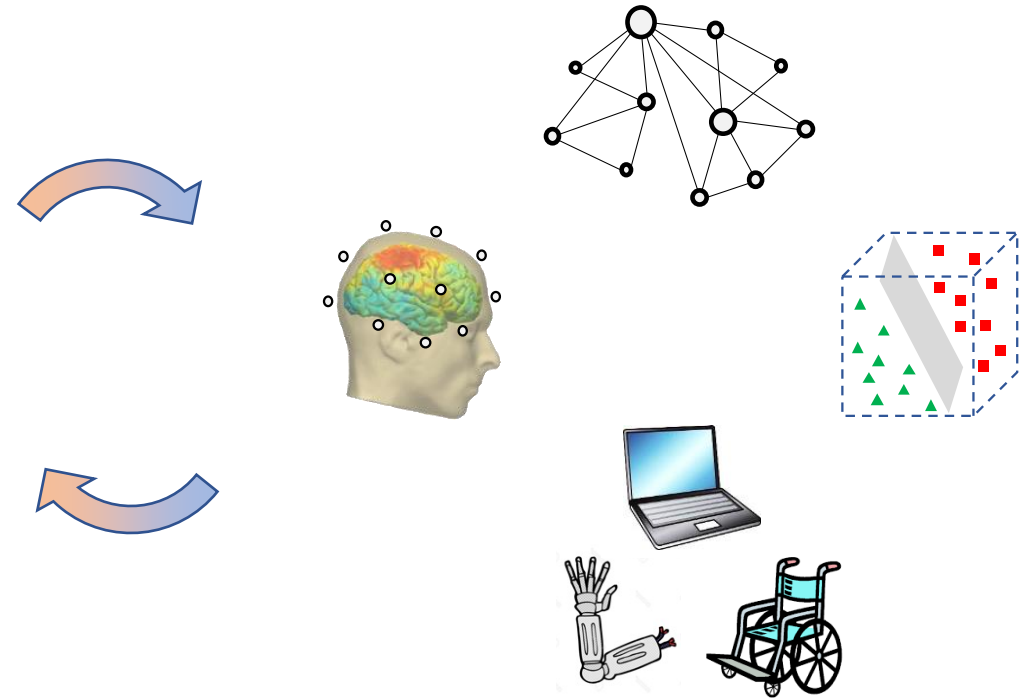
Corsi et al, Neuroimage, 2020

Complex systems



Overcome main limitations in current network neuroscience

Brain-computer interfaces



Design a new generation of efficient noninvasive BCIs

Technology, experiments and software



Augmented BCI platform

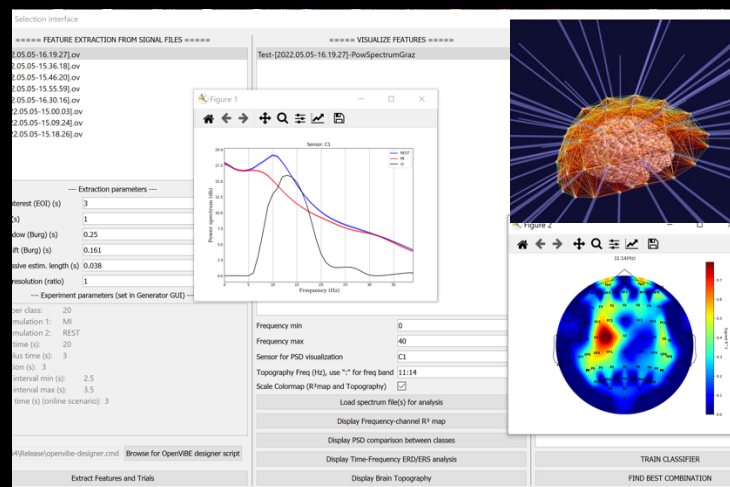
CENIR MEG-EEG core facility



PhDs: T Venot, C Bousfiha

Interactive software

HappyFeat, Vizaj



SW engineers: A Desbois, T Rolland

Portable solutions



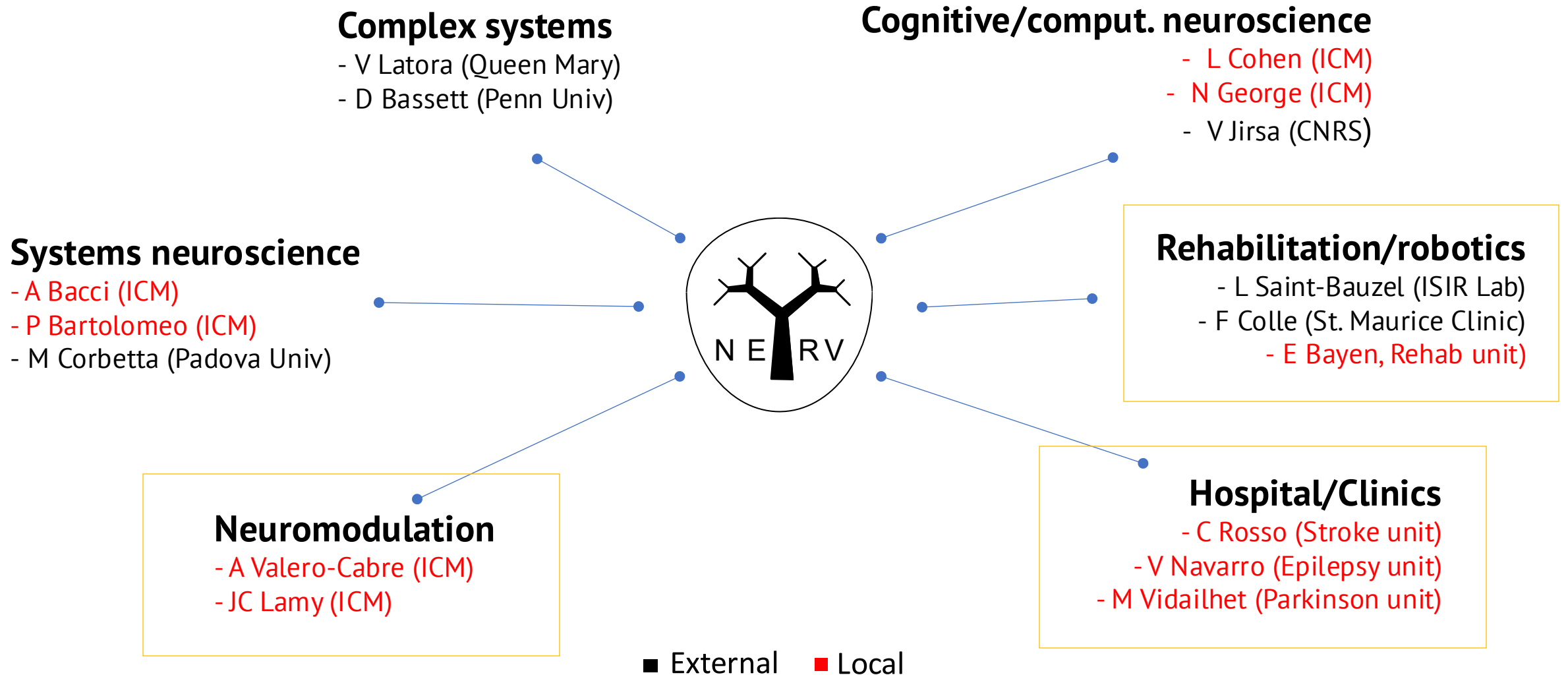
*Smart.
Apps*

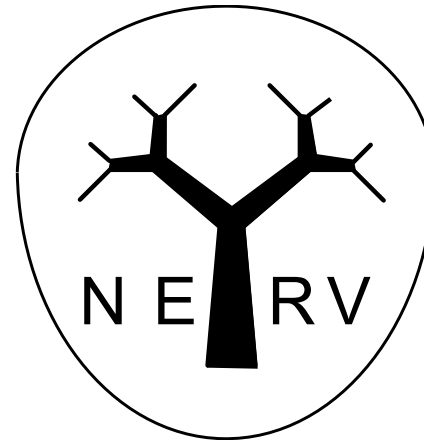
*OPM-MEG
sensors*



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Multidisciplinary collaborations





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