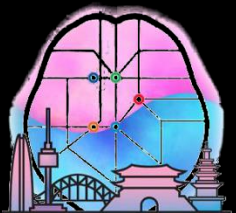


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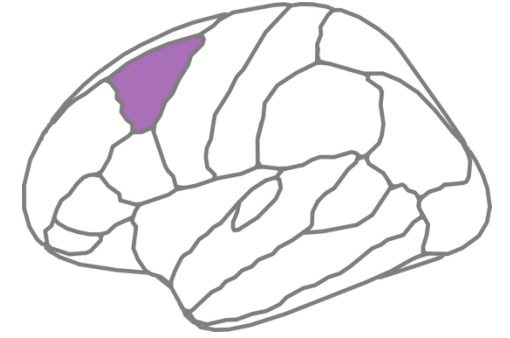
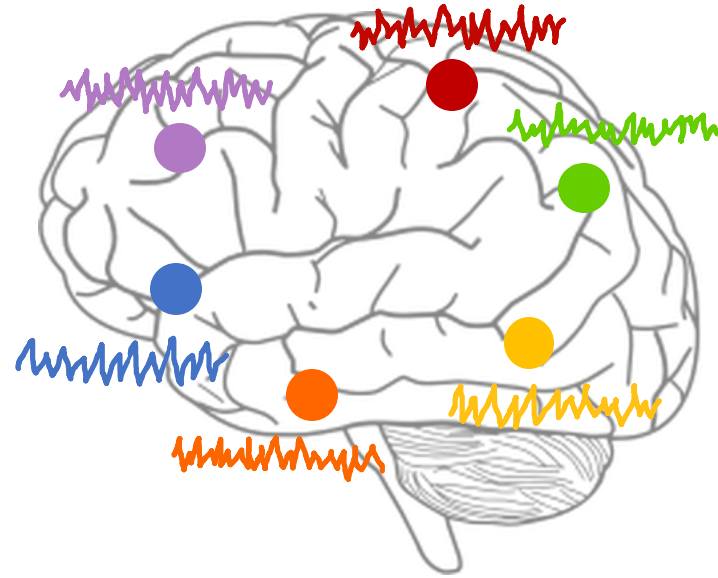
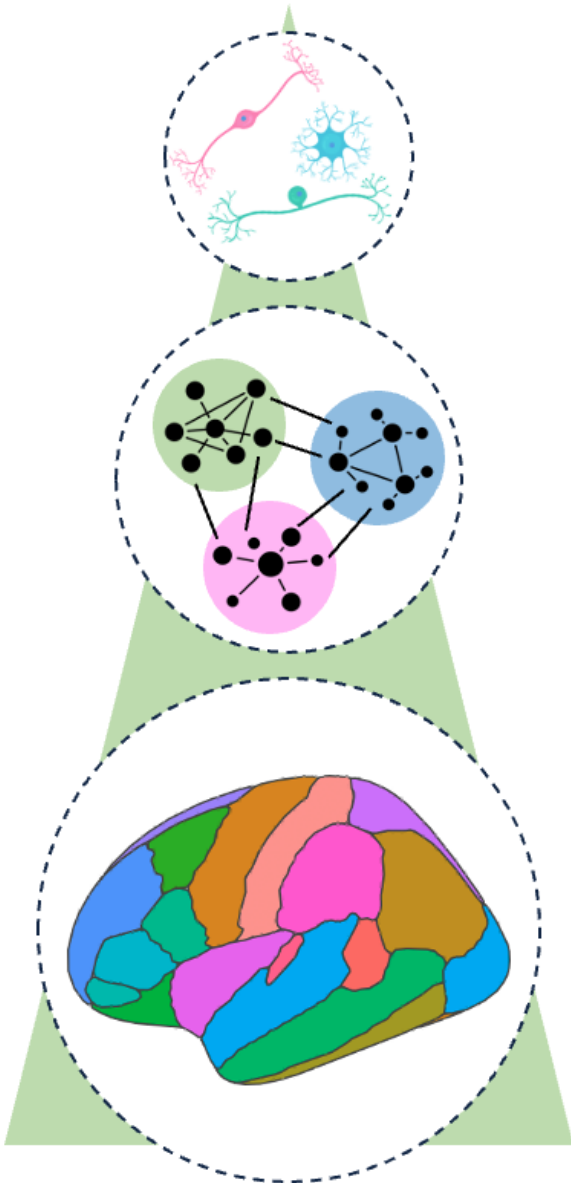


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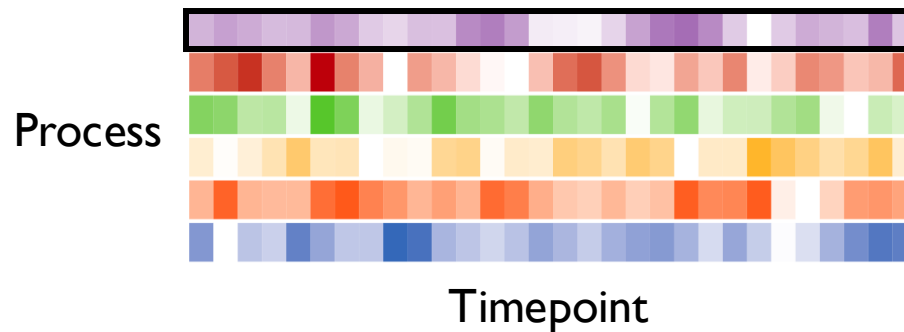


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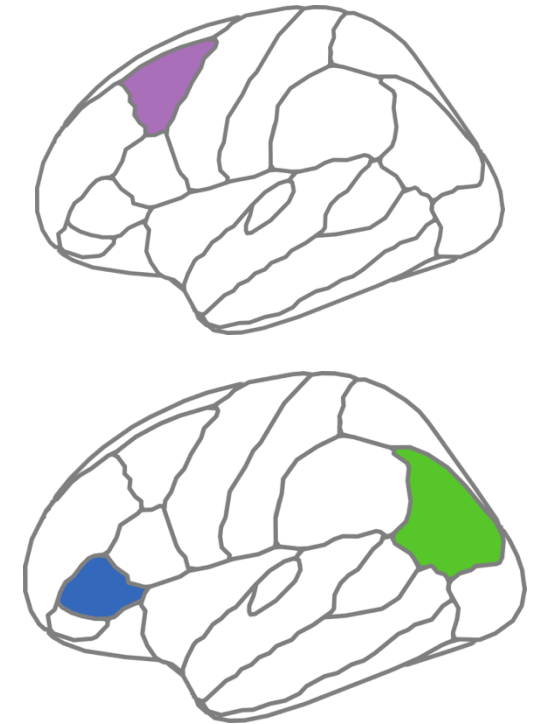
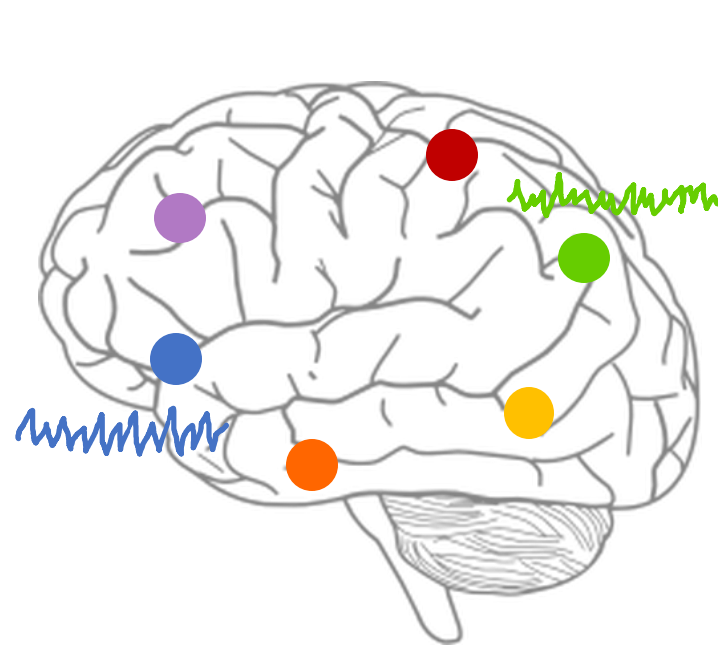
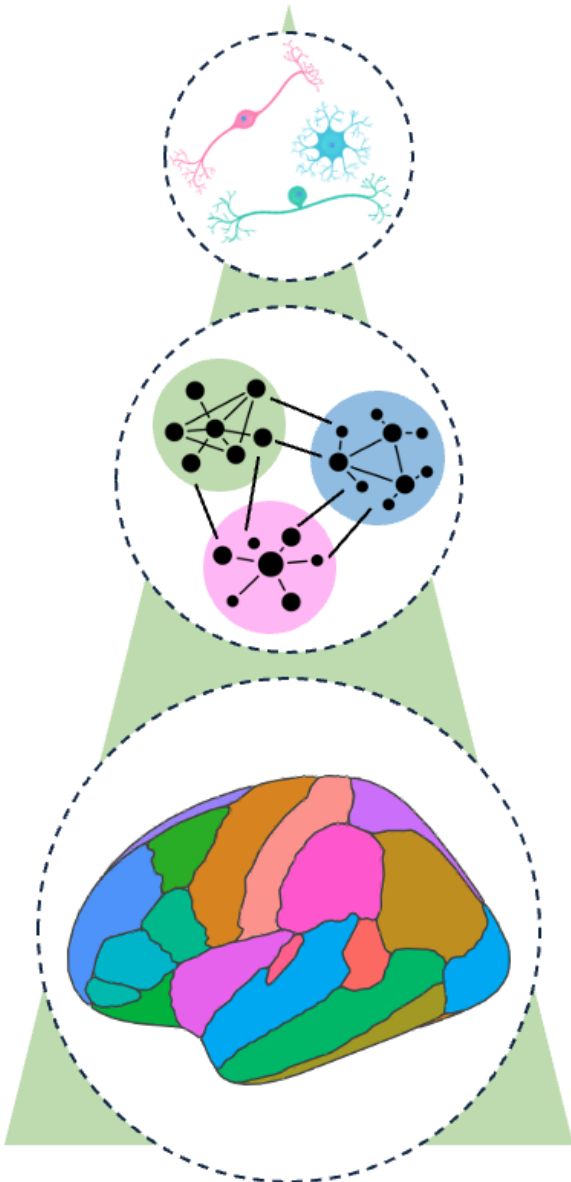
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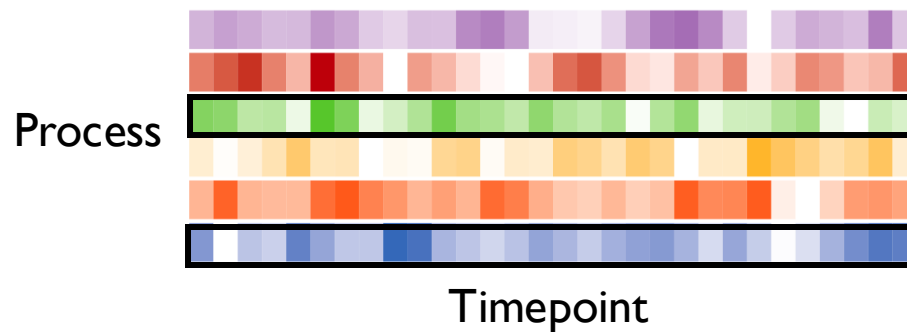
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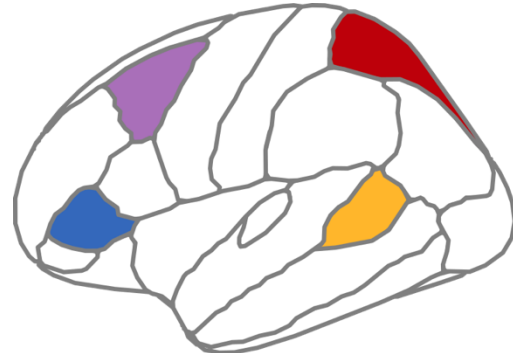
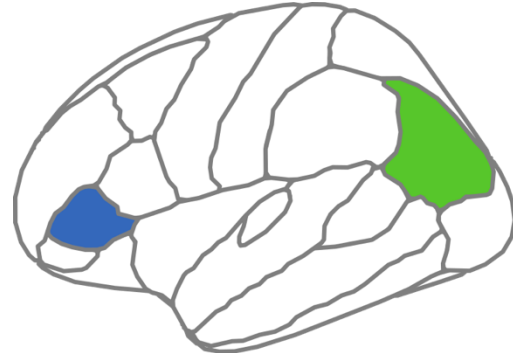
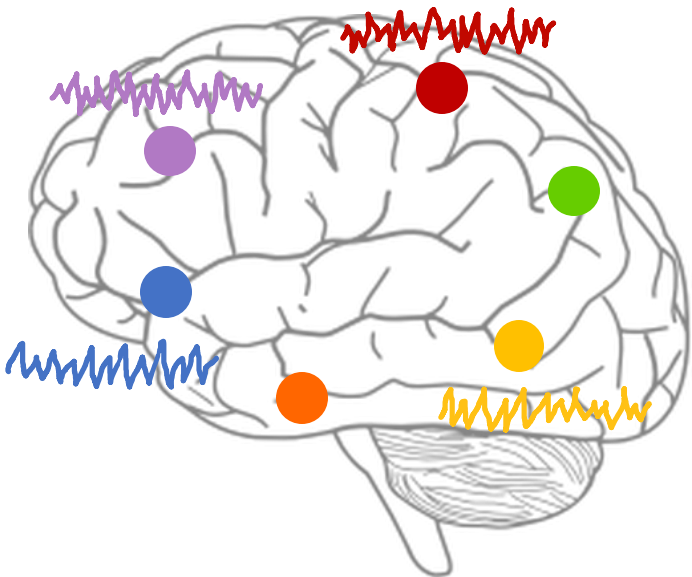
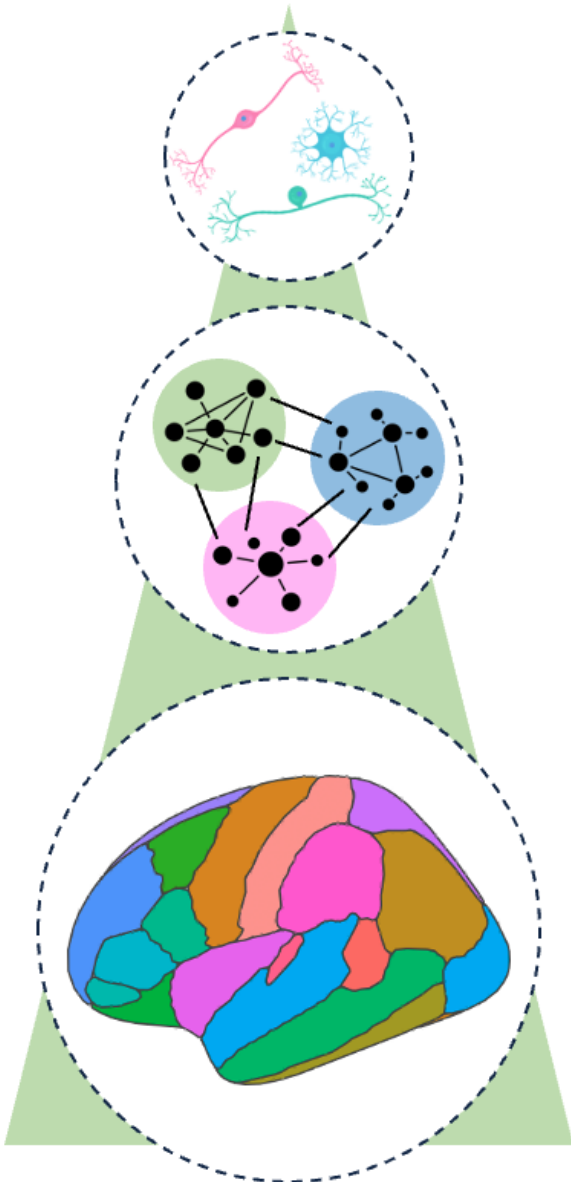
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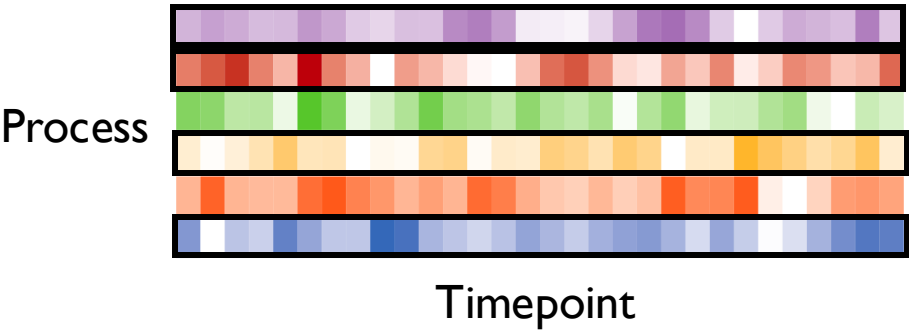
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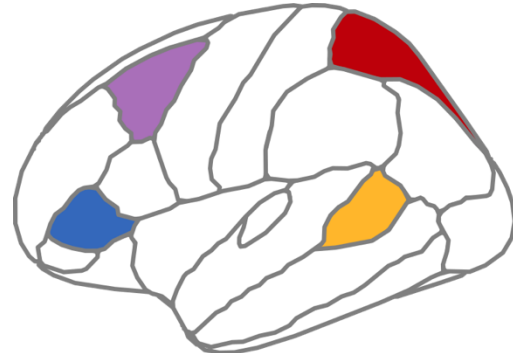
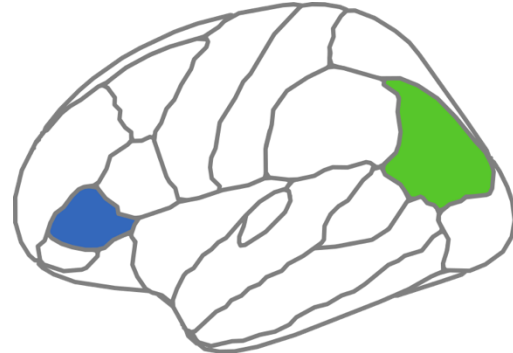
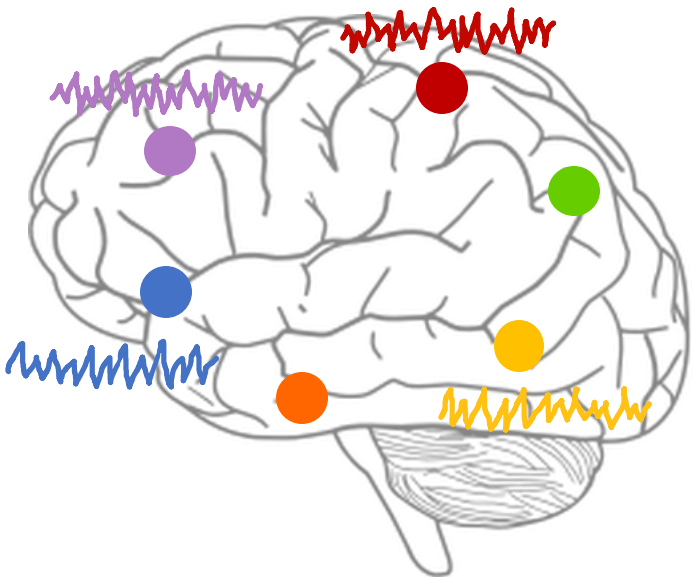
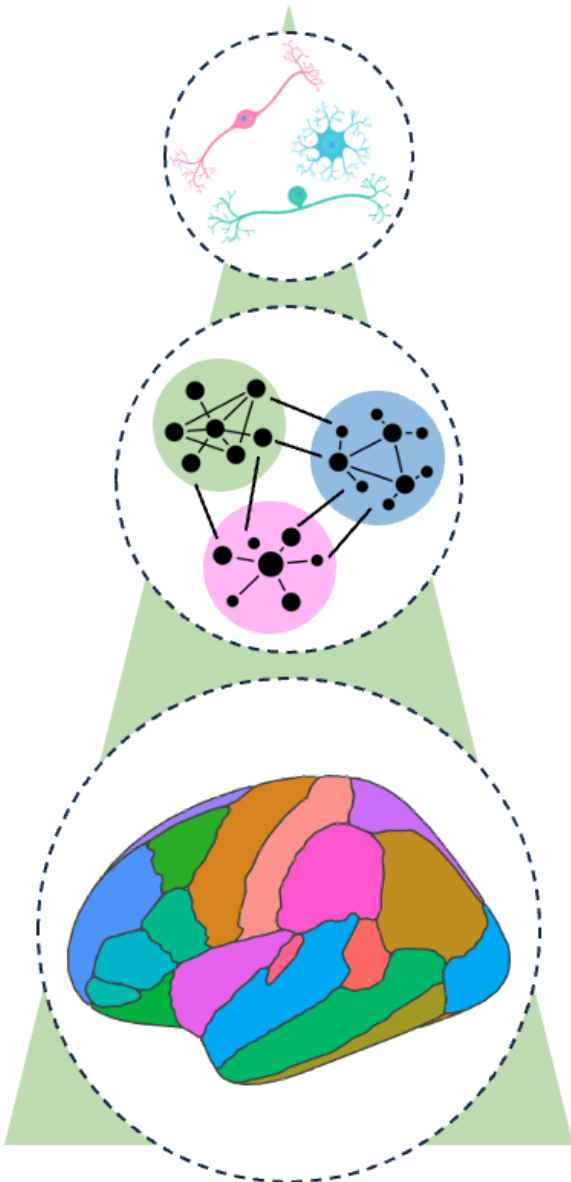
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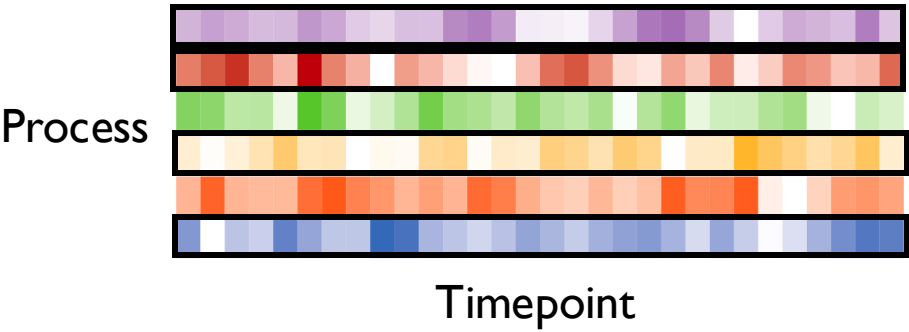
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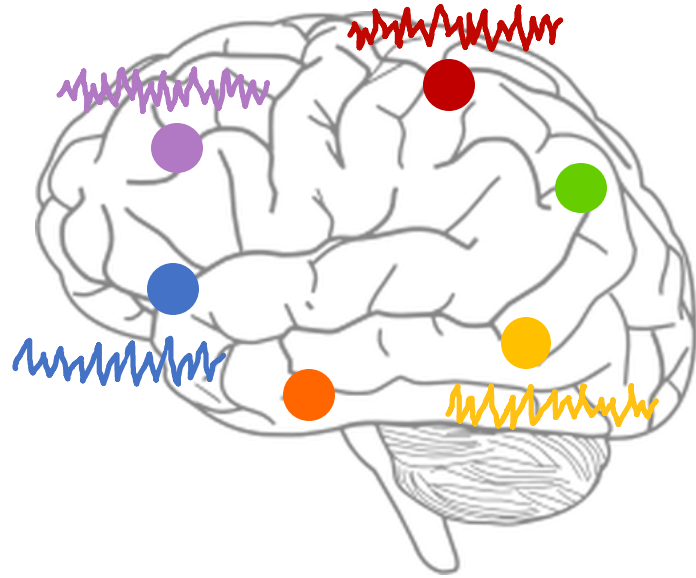
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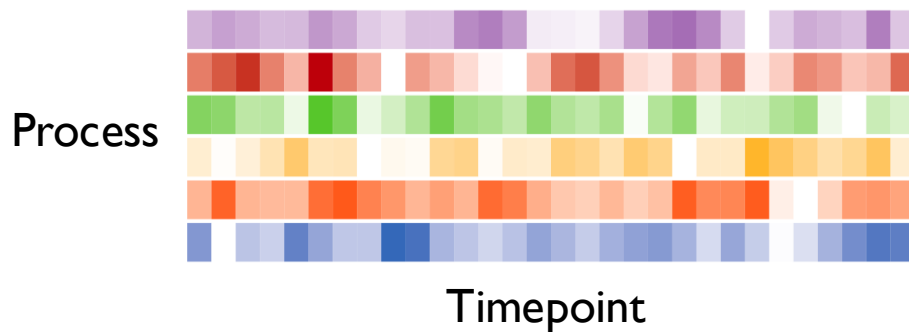
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# Interdisciplinary complex systems comprise sets of **MTS**



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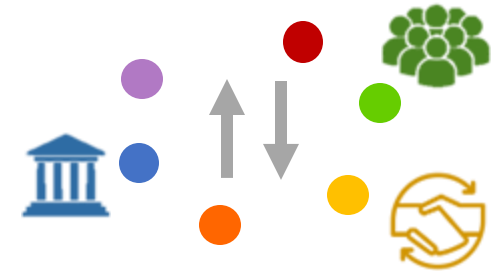


## City structure



City properties: density, traffic patterns, crime rates, culture

## Economics



National economy: economic growth, recession

## Physics



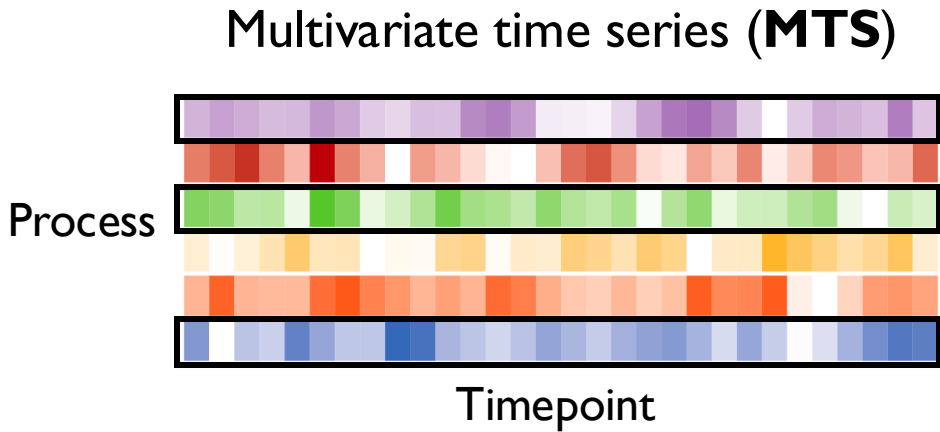
Fluid dynamics: vortices, turbulence

## Social networks



Facebook friends: community formation

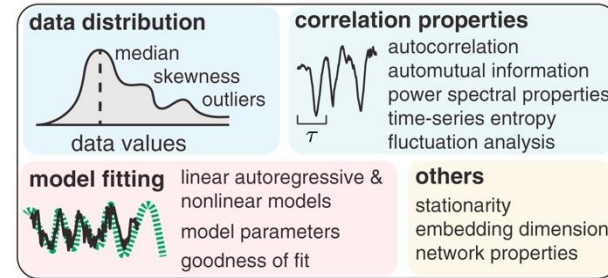
# What does this **generalized representation** offer us?



## Localized dynamics of one process



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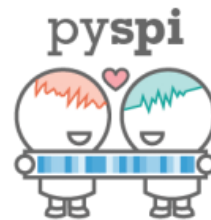


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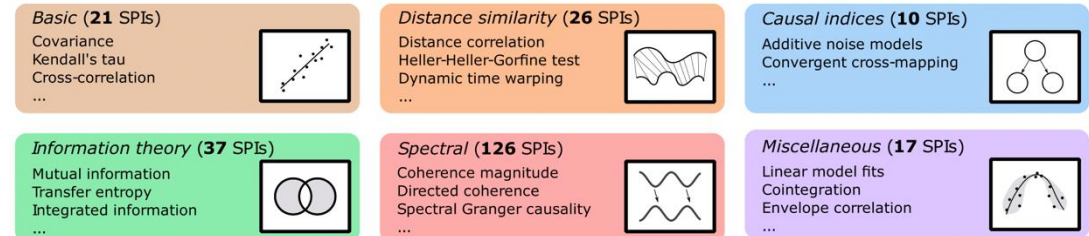
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## Statistical dependencies between **pairs** of processes

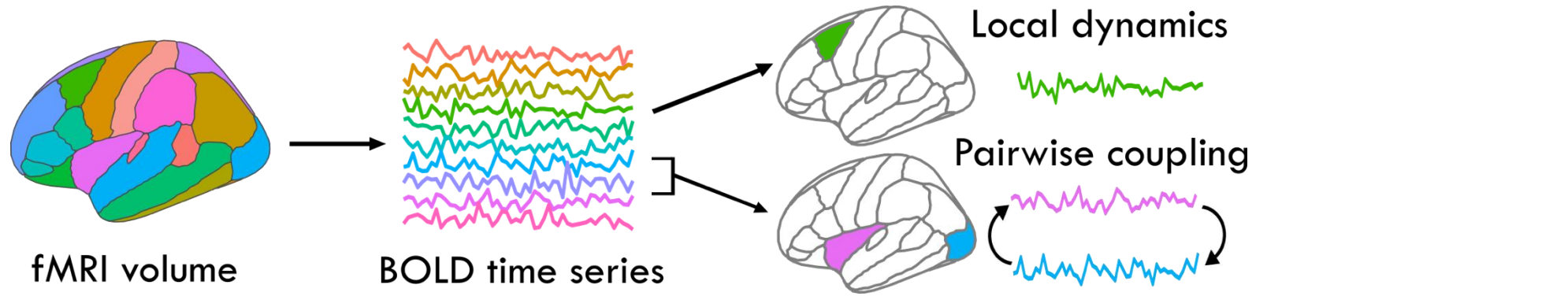


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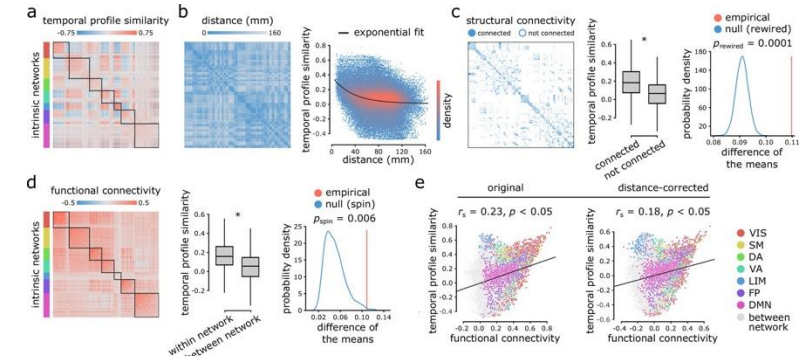
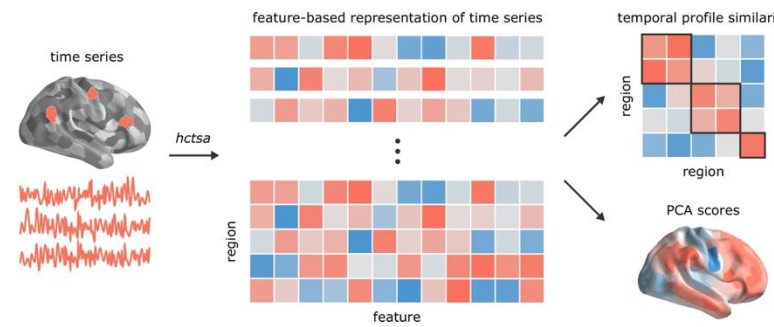


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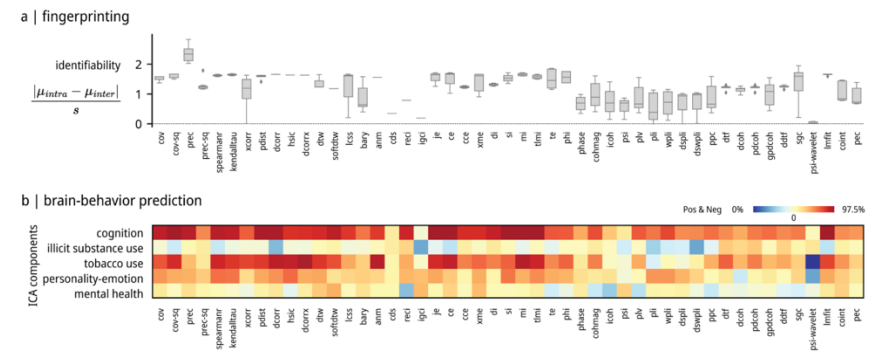
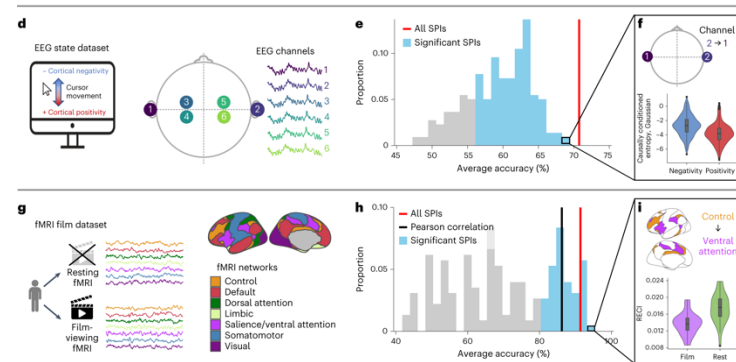
# Analysing brain dynamics as a complex system



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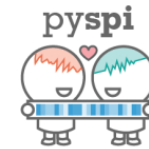


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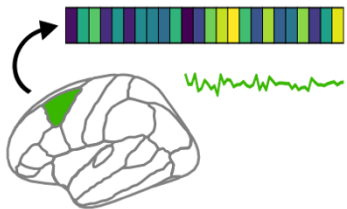




# Case study: classifying neuropsychiatric disorders

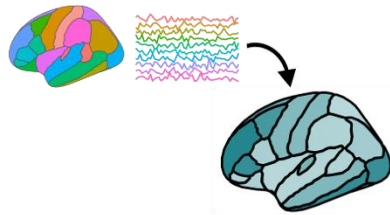


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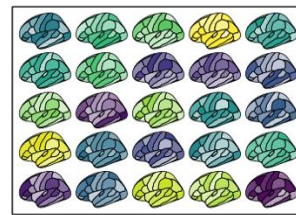
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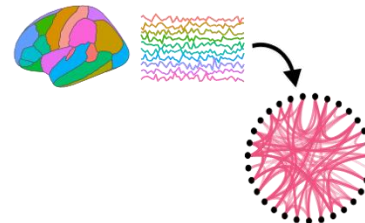
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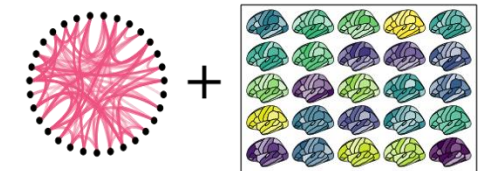
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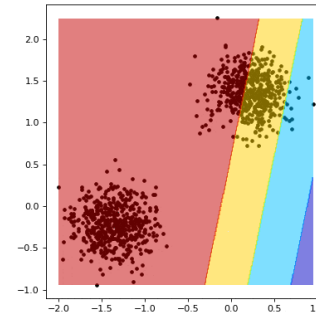


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Source: scikit-learn

Linear support vector machine (SVM)

- Balanced accuracy
- Inverse probability weighting

× 10-fold CV

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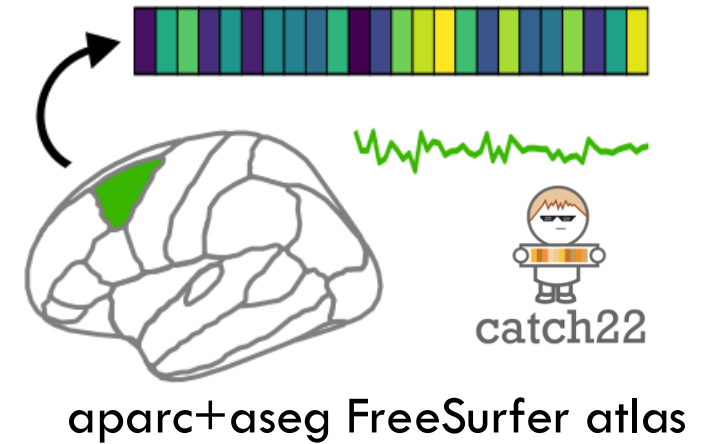
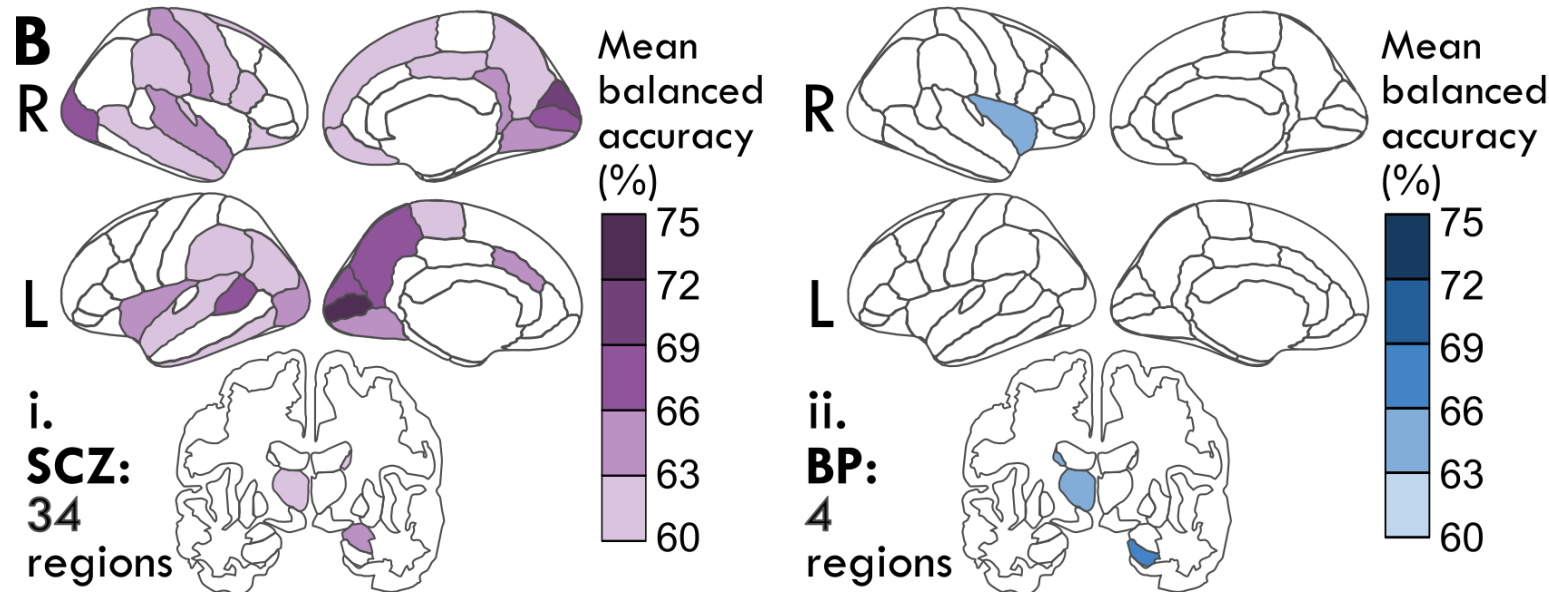
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# Interpretable spatial maps of region-specific dysfunction

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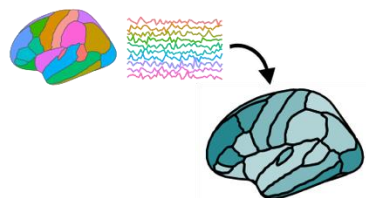


- Gene expression
- Anatomical changes
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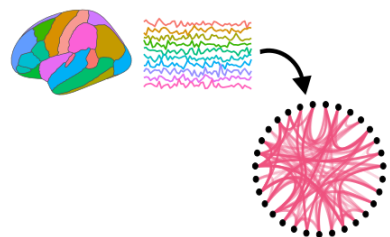
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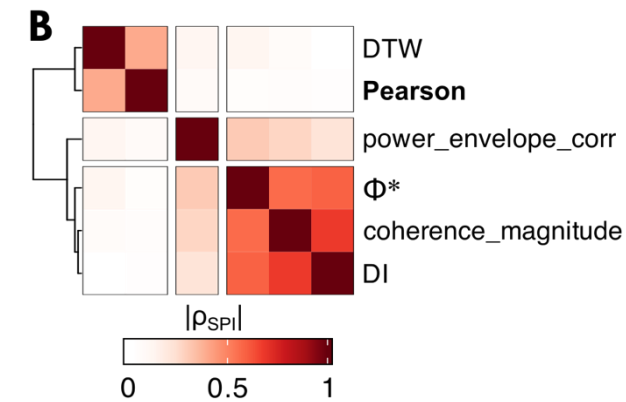
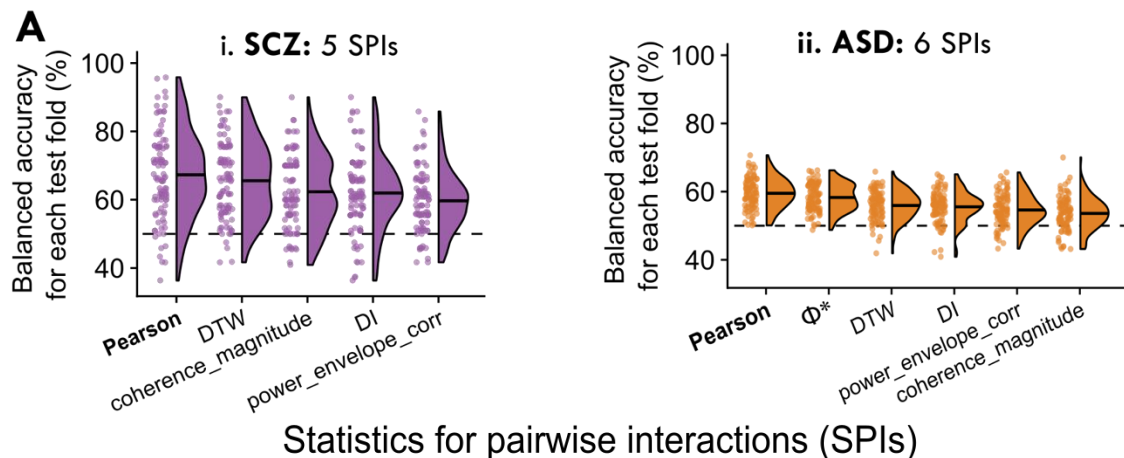
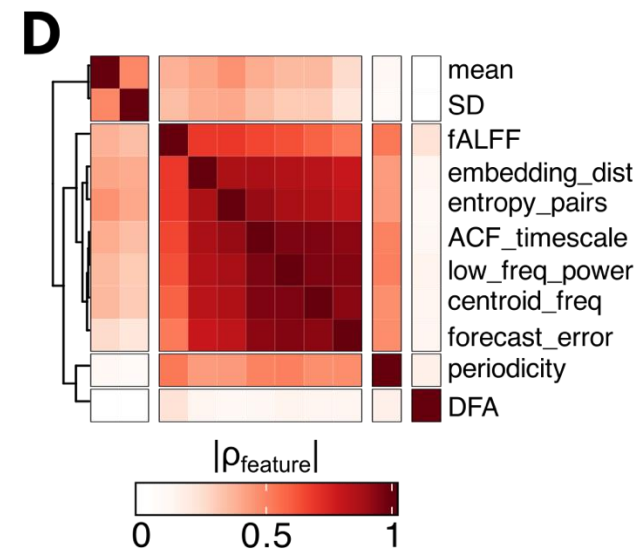
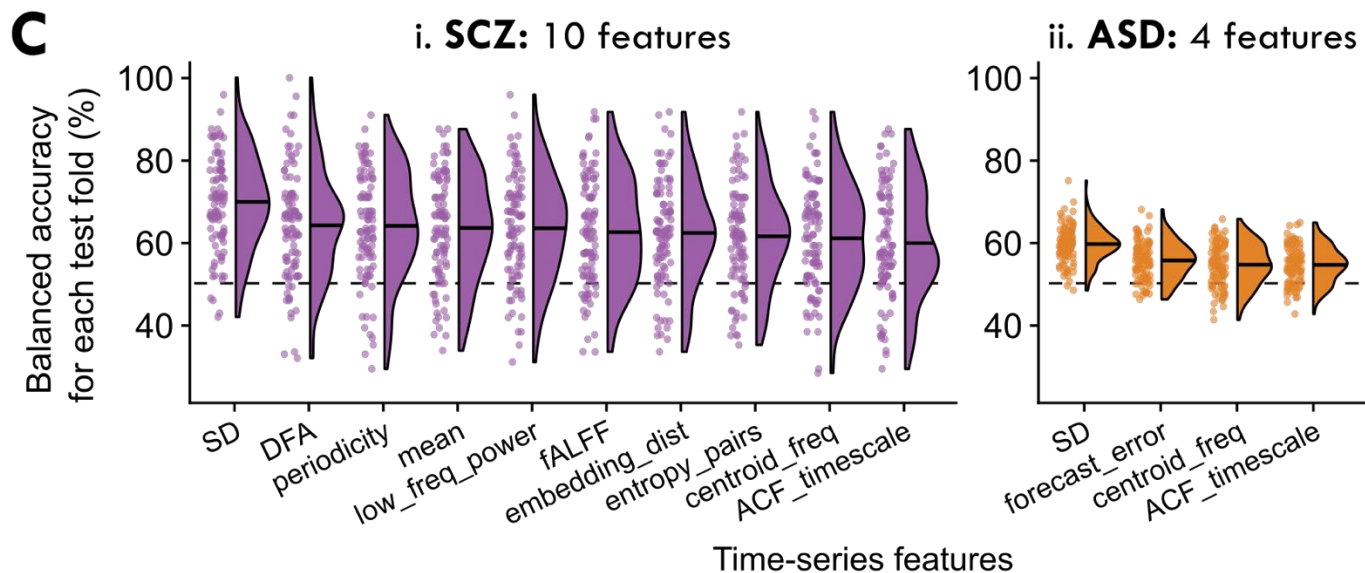


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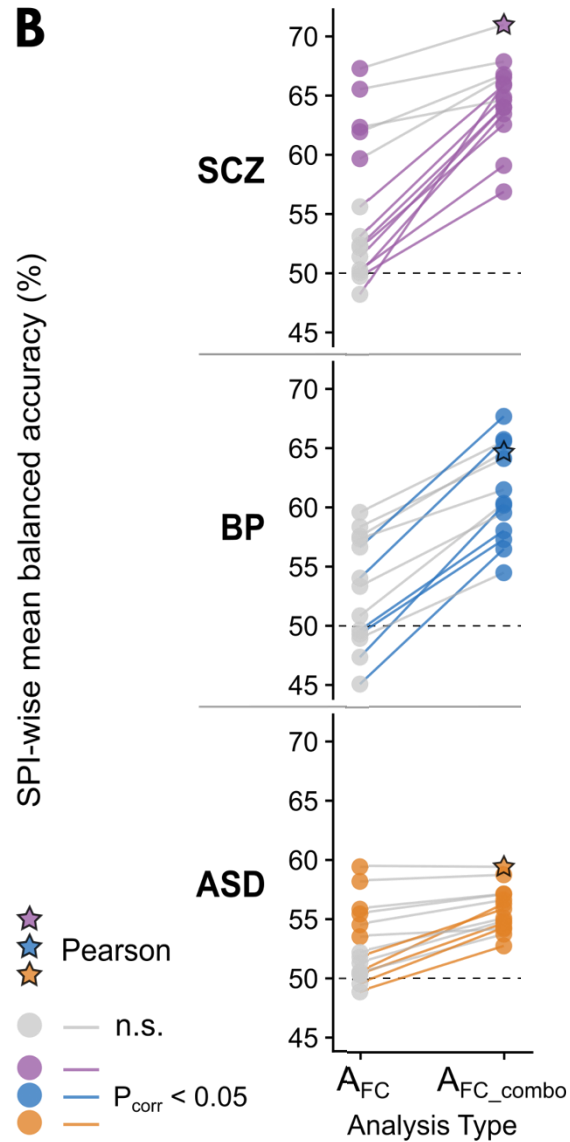


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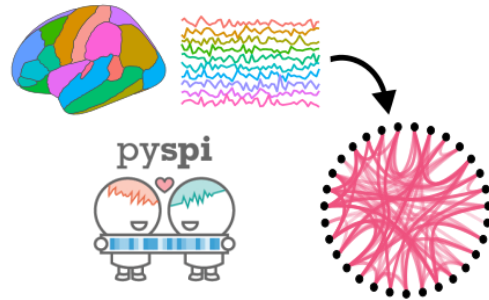


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# The benefit of integrating local dynamics and pairwise coupling

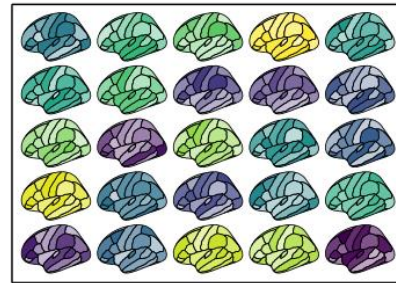


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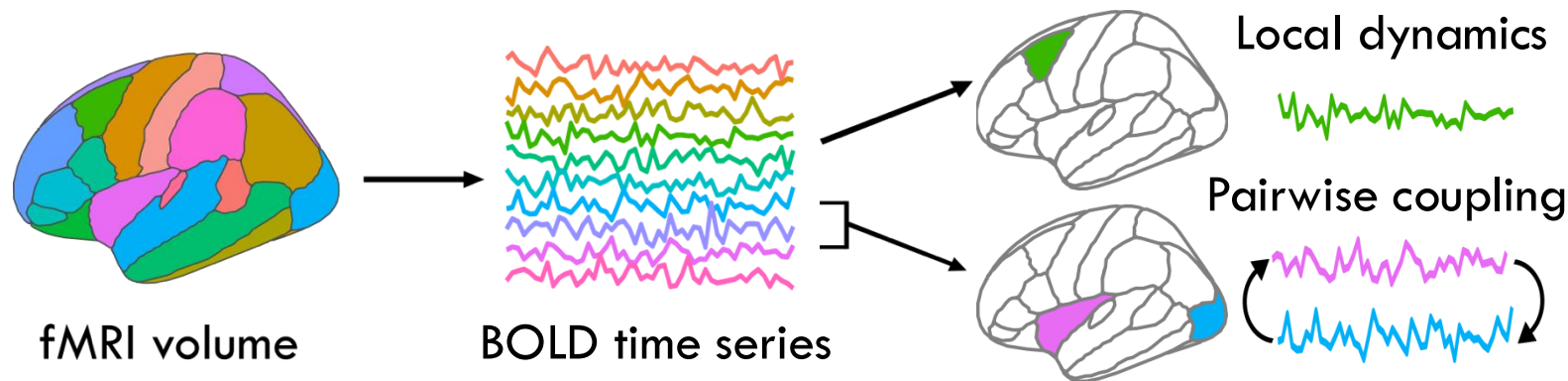


Most linear pairwise **functional connectivity** metrics are more informative with the inclusion of **brain-wide maps of local regional dynamics**

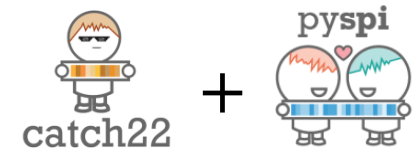


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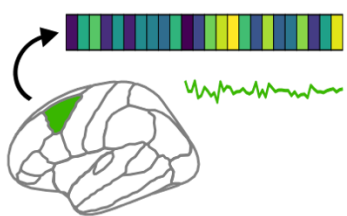
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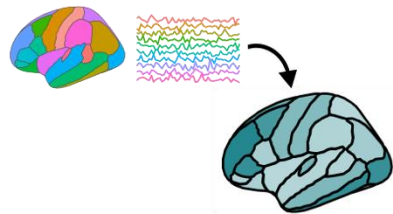


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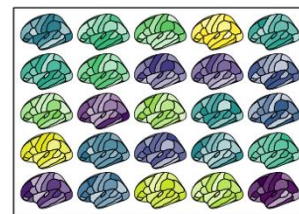
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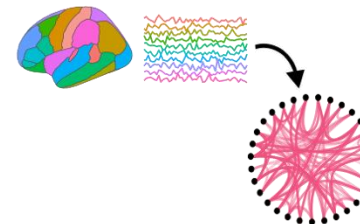
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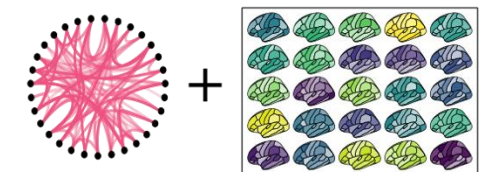
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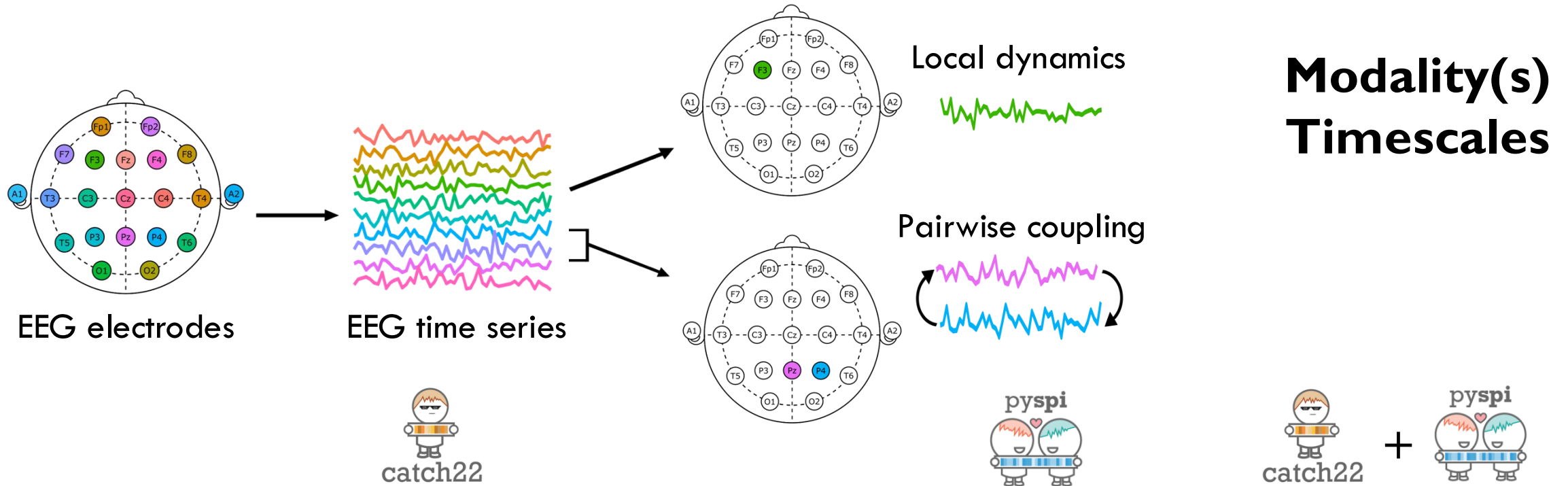
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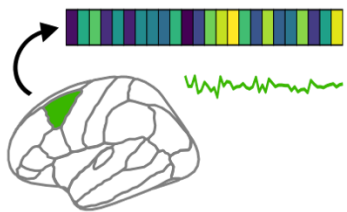
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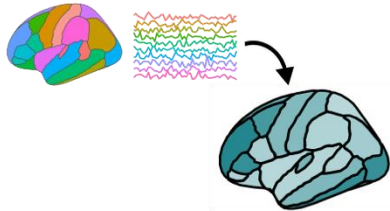
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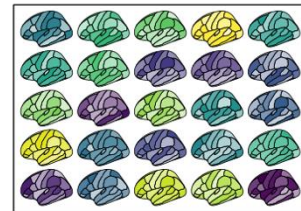
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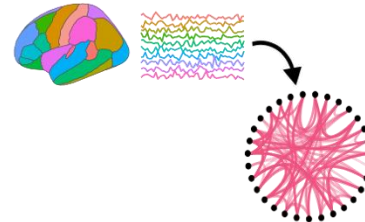
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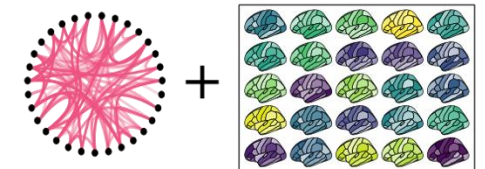
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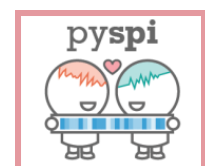
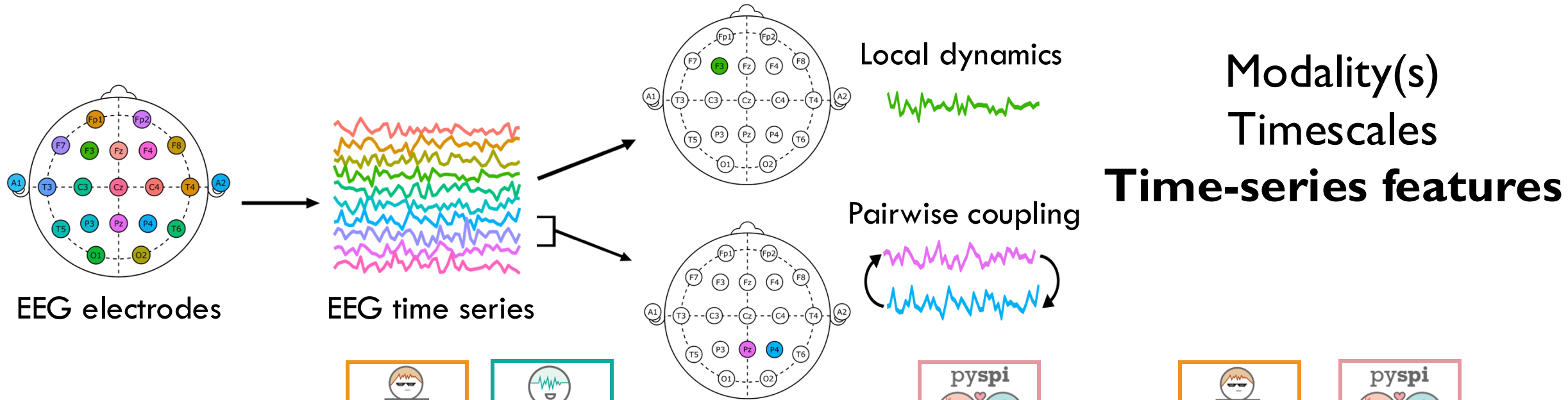
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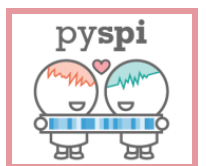


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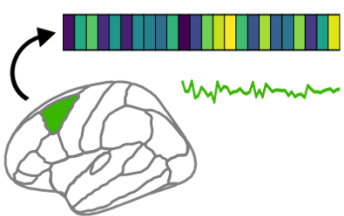
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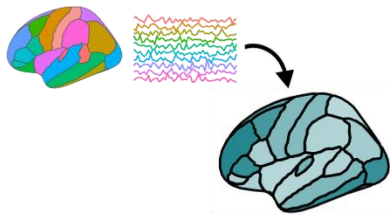


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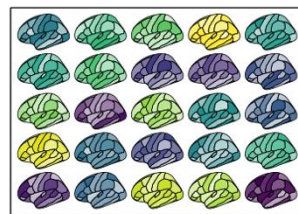
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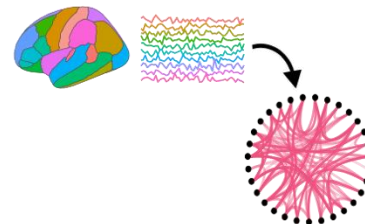
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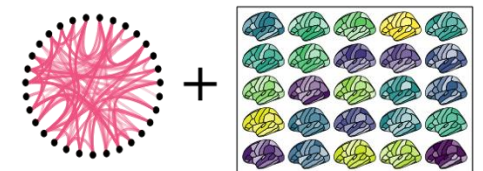
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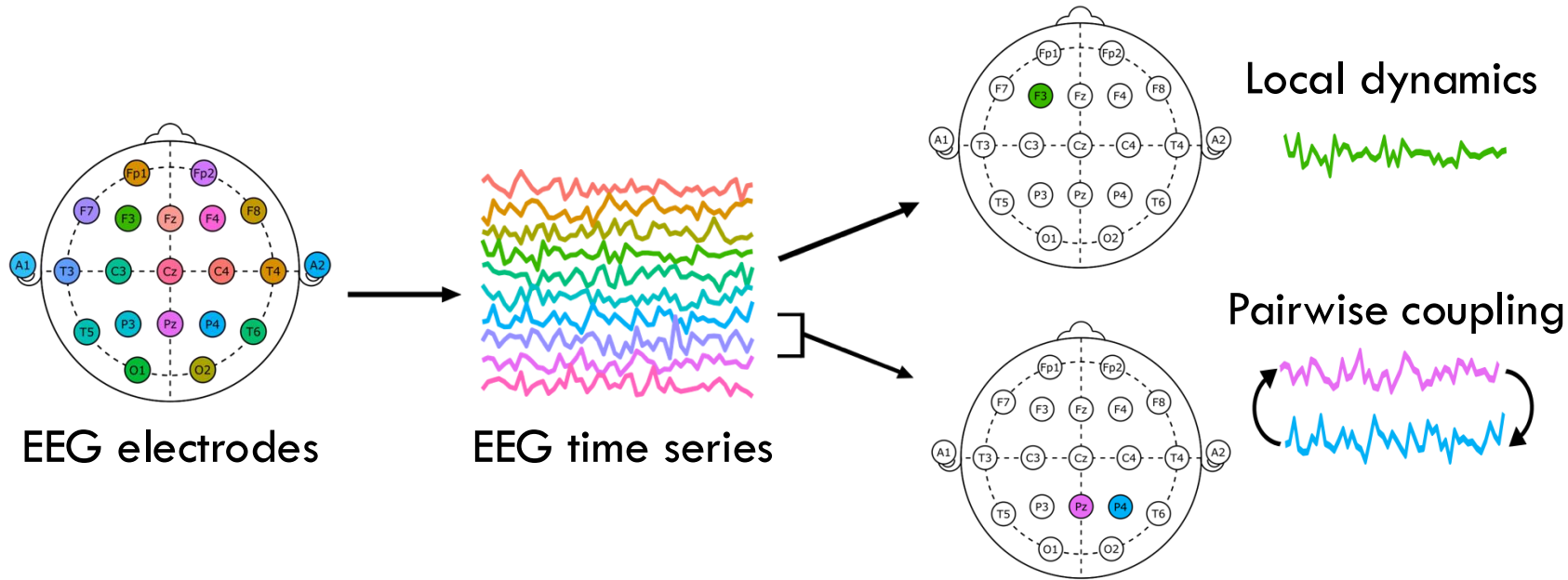
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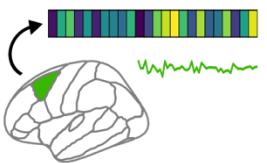


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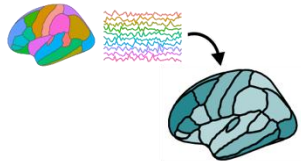
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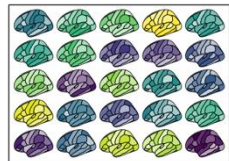
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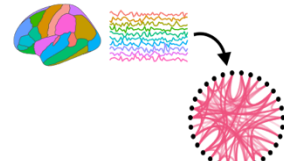
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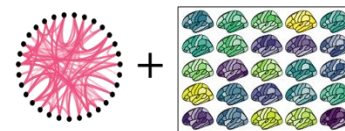
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