Temporal linear mode complexity as a surrogate measure of the anesthetic drug effects during sevoflurane anesthesia

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Background: The aims of this study were to compare the stability, correlation with end-tidal sevoflurane, and area below the effect (AUC_{effect}) vs. time curves of temporal linear mode complexity (TLMC) and approximate entropy (ApEn) during sevoflurane anesthesia. Another study goal was to characterize the time course of the effects of sevoflurane.

Methods: Electroencephalogram (EEG) parameter stability was evaluated using the coefficients of variation (CV) of the median baseline (E₀), maximal (E_{max}), and individual median E₀ - E_{max} values. Correlations between sevoflurane concentration and EEG parameters were tested. AUC_{effect} vs. time curves of TLMC and ApEn were calculated to quantitate any decrease in central nervous system activities. A sigmoid Emax model was used for pharmacodynamic modeling.

Results: TLMC and ApEn demonstrated CVs of 8.36 and 7.35 (for E₀) and 19.61 and 13.45 (E_{max}), respectively. The CVs of the individual median E₀ - E_{max} values were 65.16 for TLMC and 59.97 for ApEn. The Spearman correlation coefficient was −0.3103 for TLMC and −0.3410 for ApEn (P < 0.001 for both parameters). The median AUC_{effect} value was 338.9 for TLMC and 246.5 for ApEn (P = 0.457). The final pharmacodynamic parameters estimated by sigmoid Emax models were described as follows; E_{ip}: 0.614, 0.617, E_{max}: 0.334, 0.287, Ce_{ip}: 5.48, 5.07 vol%, γ: 1.88, 2.01, k_{eq}: 0.306, 0.236 min (TLMC, ApEn).

Conclusions: TLMC is comparable to ApEn according to the univariate EEG descriptors of the effects of sevoflurane. A sigmoid Emax model well described the pharmacodynamics of sevoflurane for TLMC and ApEn. (Korean J Anesthesiol 2013; 65: 385-396)

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Introduction

Processed electroencephalography (EEG) is a reliable measure of anesthetic drug effects [1-3]. As processed EEG variables, 95% spectral edge frequency (SEF95), canonical univariate parameter (CUP), bispectral index (BIS), and approximate entropy (ApEn) have been studied in a variety of clinical settings to evaluate the central nervous system effects of sevoflurane [2,4,5]. In a previous study, ApEn demonstrated better interindividual and intra-individual baseline stability than SEF95 and CUP [6,7]. In addition, in our previous studies, ApEn was determined to be an appropriate processed variable for assessing the effects of remifentanil and sevoflurane on the central nervous system [2,3]. However, ApEn demonstrates some drawbacks, including a dependency on record length that requires a time series with ≥ 100 points and poor relative consistency [8,9].

Temporal linear mode complexity (TLMC) quantifies the complexity of the temporal linear modes used in single-channel EEG. TLMC focuses on the global structure of the phase space that can be reconstructed from the trajectory of a short time series. In particular, TLMC is algorithmically independent of record length (Appendix 1). In practice, we have demonstrated the appropriateness of TLMC as a surrogate measure of the effects of remifentanil on the central nervous system using a combination effect and tolerance model [10]. Despite the potential uses of TLMC, little is known about the appropriateness of TLMC as a surrogate measure of the effects of hypnotic agents.

The aims of this study are to compare the stability, correlation with end-tidal sevoflurane, and area below the effect vs. time curves of TLMC and ApEn during sevoflurane anesthesia and to characterize the time course of the effect of sevoflurane on the central nervous system using a sigmoid Emax model.

Materials and Methods

Patient enrollment

After obtaining written informed consent, we enrolled 20 patients (9 women and 11 men; mean age: 62.1 ± 12.3 years; mean weight: 57.2 ± 7.9 kg; mean height: 158.7 ± 9.2 cm) who were scheduled to undergo spinal surgery. All patients were classified as American Society of Anesthesiologists physical status 1 or 2. Patients were excluded from the study if they demonstrated abnormal preoperative renal and hepatic function, had a history of drug or alcohol abuse or psychiatric disorders, or a body weight that was not within 30% of ideal.

Study procedure

All patients were required to fast starting the midnight before surgery without receiving any premedications. Once in the operating room, patients were monitored using electrocardiography, pulse oximetry, end-tidal carbon dioxide partial pressure monitoring, and noninvasive blood pressure monitoring (Datex-Ohmeda S/5; Planar Systems, Inc., Beaverton, USA). Patients were administered an intravenous bolus of 2 mg/kg propofol to induce unconsciousness, and anesthesia was induced by increasing the vapor setting of sevoflurane to 3 vol% via a facemask while delivering 100% oxygen using a circle system. Tracheal intubation was facilitated by administering 0.6 mg/kg rocuronium. The lungs of the patients were then ventilated with a 1 : 2 oxygen-air mixture, and the ventilation rate was adjusted to maintain the end-tidal carbon dioxide partial pressure between 35–45 mmHg. The end-tidal sevoflurane concentration was measured using a Datex-Ohmeda gas analyzer (Planar Systems, Inc., Beaverton, USA). Neuromuscular blockade was reversed by administering pyridostigmine and glycopyrrolate at the end of surgery.

EEG analysis

The EEG activities of 4 monopolar channels (F3, F4, P3, and P4 referenced by A2; the international 10/20 system) were recorded during the maintenance period using QEEG-8 (LXE3208; Laxtha Inc., Daejeon, Korea) at a sampling frequency of 256 Hz. The skin at the positions of the EEG electrodes was washed with alcohol to maintain impedance < 10 kΩ. Data were stored on a hard disk for the subsequent off-line calculation of TLMC and ApEn. Raw EEG signals were filtered between 0.5–50 Hz and divided into 10-second epochs without overlap. Only EEG data obtained during the periods of surgery in which electrosurgery was not used were used in further analyses. After the first screw was fixed into bone, the end-tidal sevoflurane concentration was maintained at 2.0 vol% of the vapor setting. When the end-tidal concentration of sevoflurane did not demonstrate any further changes at 2 vol%, the sevoflurane vapor setting was increased until the end-tidal sevoflurane concentration was 4.5 vol%, and then the sevoflurane vapor setting was decreased again. This cycle was performed in each patient.

In a pilot study, the burst suppression of raw EEG or systolic blood pressure < 80 mmHg was occasionally observed when the end-tidal sevoflurane concentration was > 4.5 vol%. Therefore, in this study, 4.5 vol% was considered the maximal end-tidal sevoflurane concentration. If necessary, ephedrine or atropine was administered to maintain systolic blood pressure > 80 mmHg and the heart rate > 45 beats/minute during the administration of anesthesia.

To calculate ApEn, the length of the epoch (N) was 2560, the number of previous values (m) used to predict subsequent values was 2, and the filtering level (r) was 10% of the standard deviation (SD) of the amplitude. To calculate TLMC, the embed-
ding dimension was 5 and the delay number was 7. No smoothing technique was applied during the calculation of TLMC or ApEn. Serious artifacts were excluded by determining the maximum amplitude of each epoch. If the amplitude was > 200 mV, the epoch was excluded. The effectiveness of artifact rejection was manually confirmed. Artifact rejection and analysis of each EEG parameter was performed by a single experienced analyst.

Stability of TLMC and ApEn

The coefficients of variation (CVs) of the median baseline values (median $E_0$), median maximal values (median $E_{\text{max}}$), and differences between the individual median $E_0$ and median $E_{\text{max}}$ values ($E_0 - E_{\text{max}}$) were calculated to determine the stability of TLMC and ApEn.

Correlation between TLMC, ApEn, and end-tidal sevoflurane concentration

We determined the end-tidal sevoflurane concentration and two processed EEG values in order to calculate the Spearman correlation coefficients. To determine the trends of the ApEn and TLMC values, curves were generated using the coarse locally weighted scatterplot smoothing (LOWESS) function in Prism 6 for Windows (version 6.01; Graphpad Software Inc., San Diego, CA, USA).

Areas-under-the-effect vs time curves of TLMC and ApEn during the administration of sevoflurane anesthesia

Effect vs. time curves were drawn for both EEG metrics. Areas below the effect vs. time curves, representing the decrease in central nervous system activity during sevoflurane anesthesia (AUC$_{\text{area}}$), were calculated (Fig. 1). These areas were calculated by linear trapezoidal integration using Phoenix WinNonlin 6.0 (Phoenix, Mountain View, CA, USA).

Pharmacodynamic modeling

The procedures of NONMEM VII level 2 (ICON Development Solutions, Ellicott City, MD, USA) employed in pharmacodynamic modeling were the PRED form and first-order conditional estimation (Appendix 2). Inter-individual random variabilities of pharmacodynamic parameters were modeled using a log-normal. Diagonal matrices were estimated for the various distributions of $\eta$, where $\eta$ represented inter-individual random variability with a mean of zero and a variance of $\omega^2$. Additive, constant coefficient of variation, and combined additive and constant coefficient of variation residual error models were evaluated during the model building process. NONMEM computed the minimum value of the objective function, a statistic equivalent to the $-2\log$ likelihood of the model. An $\alpha$ level of 0.05, which corresponds to a reduction in the objective function value of 3.84 (chi-squared distribution, degree of freedom: 1, $P < 0.05$), was used to discriminate between hierarchical models [11]. In addition to obtaining minimal objective function values, improvements in diagnostic goodness-of-fit plots were used to evaluate different models. R software (version 2.13.1; R Foundation for Statistical Computing, Vienna, Austria) was employed to construct graphical model diagnostics. Covariate model-building was performed using manual covariate selection and covariates analyzed were age and sex. The effect-site concentrations over time can be calculated as the convolution between the end-tidal concentrations and the disposition function. The con-
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volution was based on a ‘connect the dots’ approach previously used by Schnider and co-workers [12].

\[
C_e(t) = C_p(t) \cdot (k \cdot e^{-kt}) = \int_0^t C_p(u)k \cdot e^{-k(t-u)} \, du
\]  

(1)

The relationship between the effect-site concentration of sevoflurane and, TLMC and ApEn values was evaluated using a sigmoid Emax model:

\[
Effect = E_0 + (E_{max} - E_0) \frac{Ce^\gamma}{Ce_{50}^\gamma + Ce^\gamma}
\]  

(2)

where Effect is the TLMC or ApEn value, \(E_0\) is the baseline TLMC or ApEn value when the vapor setting of sevoflurane was maintained at 2 vol\%, \(E_{max}\) is the maximum possible sevoflurane effect on the TLMC or ApEn, \(Ce_{50}\) is the effect-site concentration associated with 50% of the maximal drug effect on TLMC or ApEn, and \(\gamma\) is the steepness of the effect-site sevoflurane concentration vs. TLMC or ApEn relationship.

Non-parametric bootstrap analysis served to internally validate models (fit4NM 3.5.1, Eun-Kyung Lee and Gyu-Jeong Noh, http://www.fit4nm.org/download, last accessed: Oct 17, 2011) [13]. Briefly, 2,000 bootstrap replicates were generated by random sampling from the original dataset, with replacement. Parameter estimates were compared with median parameter values and the 2.5–97.5 percentiles of the nonparametric bootstrap replicates.

Statistics

We compared AUC\(_{\text{effect}}\) by Mann-Whitney rank sum test using SPSS (version 18; SPSS Inc., Chicago, IL, USA). A P value less than 0.05 was considered statistically significant.

Results

Data analysis was performed in all patients with almost artifact-free signal registration. The number of data points selected for TLMC and ApEn was 938 and the mean ± SD number per individual is 47 ± 6. With increasing sevoflurane concentrations, the TLMC and ApEn decreased (and vice versa) within a time delay (Fig. 2). The median baseline \((E_0)\), maximal \((E_{max})\) and individual median \(E_0\) minus \(E_{max}\) values of TLMC and ApEn are shown in Table 1. ApEn was slightly more stable than TLMC. Correlation between two EEG parameters and end-tidal sevoflurane concentration during sevoflurane anesthesia is depicted in Fig. 3. The mean ± SD values of TLMC and ApEn calculated from 10-sec segments of electroencephalographic signal from the P4 montage were 0.56 ± 0.06 and 0.55 ± 0.06, respectively. Coefficient of variation (CV) of TLMC and ApEn were 10.7% and 11.2%, respectively. The TLMC and ApEn showed statistically significant correlation with the concentrations of end-tidal sevoflurane (Fig. 3). The median AUC\(_{\text{effect}}\) of TLMC was slightly, but not significantly, higher than that of ApEn (median: 338.9

Table 1. Median Baseline \((E_0)\), Maximal \((E_{max})\), and Individual Median \(E_0 - E_{max}\) Values of Temporal Linear Mode Complexity (TLMC) and Approximate Entropy (ApEn)

|        | TLMC   | ApEn   |
|--------|--------|--------|
| Median baseline \((E_0)\) | 0.606 ± 0.005 (8.36) | 0.605 ± 0.040 (7.35) |
| Median maximal \((E_{max})\) | 0.463 ± 0.091 (19.61) | 0.494 ± 0.066 (13.45) |
| Median \(E_0 - E_{max}\)* | 0.143 ± 0.093 (65.16) | 0.111 ± 0.060 (59.97) |

Data are shown as the means ± SD (CV). CV: coefficient of variation = standard deviation/estimate × 100 (%), \(E_0\): baseline TLMC or ApEn value when the vapor setting of sevoflurane was maintained at 2 vol\%, \(E_{max}\): minimum possible TLMC or ApEn value. *Individual median \(E_0\) – individual median \(E_{max}\).

Fig. 2. (A) End-tidal sevoflurane concentration and (B) temporal linear mode complexity (TLMC) and approximate entropy (ApEn) vs time during the administration of sevoflurane anesthesia to a patient (ID9).
The pharmacodynamics of sevoflurane for TLMC and ApEn were well described by a sigmoid Emax model. Age and sex were not a significant covariate for pharmacodynamic parameters. The time course of TLMC and ApEn relationship for each subject are characterized by the pharmacodynamic model (Fig. 4). The population pharmacodynamic parameter estimates, inter-individual variability and median parameter values (2.5%–97.5%) of the nonparametric bootstrap replicates of the sigmoid Emax models of sevoflurane are summarized in Table 2. The differences between structural parameter estimates and their median values of the nonparametric bootstrap replicates of the final models were small, which is indicating that the final models are appropriate to explain the pharmacodynamic characteristics of sevoflurane.

Plotting TLMC and ApEn vs. end-tidal sevoflurane concentration revealed hysteresis (Fig. 5A and 5C), which were collapsed by introduction of an effect compartment (Fig. 5B and 5D).

**Discussion**

Temporal linear mode complexity showed similar inter-individual stability and AUC_{effect} compared with approximate entropy. Also, TLMC and ApEn values were significantly correlated with effect-site concentration of sevoflurane. During anesthesia with high sevoflurane concentrations, the EEG parameters showed more regular (i.e., lower TLMC and ApEn values) than at lower sevoflurane concentrations. TLMC was comparable with ApEn as a surrogate measure to quantify the effect of sevo-
The interindividual random variabilities of $C_{e50}$, $\gamma$, and $k_e$ were determined using log-normal modeling. Residual random variability was modeled using additive error modeling. Nonparametric bootstrap analysis was repeated 2000 times. TLMC: temporal linear mode complexity, ApEn: approximate entropy, $E_0$: baseline TLMC or ApEn value when the vapor setting of sevoflurane was maintained at 2 vol%, $E_{\text{max}}$: minimum possible TLMC or ApEn value, $C_{e50}$: effect-site concentration associated with 50% of the maximum drug effect on TLMC or ApEn, $\gamma$: steepness of the effect-site concentration of sevoflurane vs TLMC or ApEn, CV: coefficient of variation, RSE: relative standard error = standard error/estimate $\times$ 100 (%) $\sigma^2$: variance of residual random variability.
sevoflurane on the central nervous system. Time course of the effect of sevoflurane was well described with a sigmoid Emax model.

The electroencephalographic waveform may include a complex of regular sinusoidal waves, irregular spikes or spindles [14], which is indicating that it is mixed with signal and noise. The stability of TLMC in the presence of noisy fluctuation, and TLMC independence from data-length, were tested using various chaotic approaches such as the Lorenz, Roessler, and Henon protocols, and performances were compared with other well-known measures appropriate in analysis of long chaotic time-series [15]. The characteristics of TLMC allow TLMC data to be highly correlated with slowly varying parametric forces in non-stationary time-series. Also, TLMC data can be extracted over short intervals to maintain the stationary condition in slow parameter-driven non-stationary biological systems. Biological signals emitted during sevoflurane anesthesia may be potentially non-stationary, which may explain the similar performance of TLMC as a surrogate measure of sevoflurane effect on the central nervous system in this study.

The bispectral index (BIS, Aspect Medical Systems, Newton, MA, USA) uses a form of processed cortical EEG to quantify the effect of hypnotic agent, which has been well validated as a surrogate measure of anesthetic-induced sedation and hypnosis in patients [16,17]. However, it was well known that BIS did not show the good correlation with effect-site concentration of opioid [18,19], indicating that BIS was not a sensitive surrogate measure of opioid effect. On the other hand, ApEn and TLMC showed the good performance for the assessment of the remifentanil effect on the electroencephalogram in previous studies [3,10]. Hence, TLMC can be used to quantify the effect of anesthetic agents, including hypnotics and opioids, on central nervous system. Also, TLMC was more quickly (about 40 times) calculated than ApEn (61.4 MB of raw EEG data: 19 s for TLMC, 752 s for ApEn).

In a previous our study, hysteresis was not observed between end-tidal concentration of sevoflurane and ApEn, which was explained by the fact that end-tidal concentration of sevoflurane was only measured in the ascending limb [2]. However, it was measured in both ascending and descending limbs in this study, resulting in collapse of hysteresis using effect-site concentration of sevoflurane (Fig. 5). Since hysteresis is a result of disequilibrium, it is most prominent when sevoflurane concentrations are rapidly changing and it disappears at steady state.

Pharmacodynamic parameter estimates for ApEn in this study was different from those of our previous study (\(E_0 = 0.91, E_{\text{max}} = 0.28, C_{E_{\text{max}}} = 1.36 \text{ vol\%}, \gamma = 1.27, k_{\text{ApEn}} = 0.67 \text{ /min} \)) [2], which was caused by different dosing strategy. In a previous study, sevoflurane inhalation was induced by increasing the vapor setting of sevoflurane by 1 vol% up to 8 vol% and the range of end-tidal sevoflurane concentration was 0~5.6 vol% (0.6~4.5 vol% in this study). Difference between maximal and minimum end-tidal concentration of sevoflurane in previous study was approximately 1.5 times greater than that in this study. Also, \(E_0\) between two studies was significantly different (previous study: baseline ApEn value when no sevoflurane present, this study: baseline ApEn value when the vapor setting of sevoflurane was maintained at 2 vol%). When pharmacokinetic or pharmacodynamic parameter estimates are compared with different models in a same drug, dosing strategy, sampling points and characteristics of patients enrolled should be considered.

In this study, TLMC and ApEn values of the P4 montage were selected. In the previous work, P4 also showed a higher ratio of average maximal electroencephalographic effect to interindividual baseline variability for ApEn and lower coefficient of variation (CV) of the baseline values [3]. Also, the regions of decreased relative cerebral glucose metabolic rate during sevoflurane anesthesia were the visual cortex, posterior parietal association area, primary somatosensory area, and premotor area [20]. These regions are similar with P4 montage in 10~20 international system.

Exploration of possible covariate relationships was done by the generalized additive modeling (GAM) procedure. There was no significant covariate for parameters (\(E_{\text{Ap}}, E_{\text{max}}, C_{E_{\text{max}}} k_{\text{ApEn}}\) and \(\gamma\)). Hence, the final pharmacodynamic models for TLMC and ApEn were identical to the basic models in this study.

There were several issues to be considered as limitation of this study. First, one cycle including each ascending and descending limb was performed in each patient. This may lead to collect insufficient data to characterize the time course of the effect of sevoflurane on the central nervous system. Whenever an electrocautery was used, severe noises were observed, and TLMC and ApEn values calculated from raw EEG segments including these noises could be inaccurate. Hence, it is necessary to measure raw EEG without noise, but it is difficult to obtain several cycles without use of an electrocautery in clinical situation. However, it was little affected by comparing the performance of TLMC and ApEn as a surrogate measure of sevoflurane effect. Second, range of the investigated sevoflurane concentrations was relatively narrow. However, range selected (1.5~4.5 vol%) of end-tidal concentration of sevoflurane) was considered to avoid patient awareness at lower levels and excessive cardiovascular depression at higher levels.

In summary, temporal linear mode complexity was comparable with approximate entropy as a univariate EEG descriptor of the sevoflurane effect. A sigmoid Emax model well described the pharmacodynamics of sevoflurane for TLMC and ApEn.

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Appendix 1. Temporal Linear Mode Complexity and Approximate Entropy

1. Temporal linear mode complexity

   The SLMC measure is proposed to quantify the complexity of spatial linear modes in multichannel EEGs, \( x_k(t_i) \) \((k = 1, \ldots, n; \ i = 1, \ldots, N)\), and the TLMC is proposed to quantify the complexity of temporal linear modes in each channel of the EEG, where the index \( k \) represents the EEG of the \( k \)-th channel among the measured \( n \) channels, and the index \( i \) represents the \( i \)-th sampled value of the total sample number \( N \). A normalized time series \( v_k(t_i) \) is formulated from raw EEG data in the form \( x_k(t_i) \) using the formula:

   \[
   v_k(t_i) = \frac{x_k(t_i) - \bar{x}_k}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_k(t_i) - \bar{x}_k)^2}}
   \]

   where \( \bar{x}_k \) the mean of \( x_k(t_i) \).

   For TLMC, phase space can be reconstructed employing a sequence of \( N = N_t - (n-1)d \) new vectors, \( \tilde{v}(i = 1, \ldots, N) = (v_i, v_{i+d}, v_{i+(n-1)d}) \), where \( d \) and \( n \) represent the delay number and embedding dimension. The covariance matrix, \( \Sigma \), is constructed from the time-averaged correlation between all element pairs in the \( n \)th window.

   

   \[
   \Sigma = \frac{1}{N} \begin{bmatrix}
   \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_i v_j & \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_i v_{i+d} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_i v_{i+(n-1)d} \\
   \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_{i+d} v_j & \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_{i+d} v_{i+d} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_{i+d} v_{i+(n-1)d} \\
   \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
   \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_{i+(n-1)d} v_j & \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_{i+(n-1)d} v_{i+d} & \cdots & \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_{i+(n-1)d} v_{i+(n-1)d}
   \end{bmatrix}
   \]

   The eigenvalues of the covariance matrix, \( \sigma_k(k=1, \ldots, n) \), are positive. Matrix diagonalization provides a set of principal axes for the \( n \)-dimensional space as eigenvectors with the corresponding eigenvalues \( \sigma_k \). Linear Mode Complexity (LMC) for the temporal modes is defined by:

   \[
   LMC = -\frac{1}{n \ln n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{\sigma_k}{\sigma_1} \ln \frac{\sigma_k}{\sigma_1}, \quad \sigma_1 = \sum_{k=1}^{n} \sigma_k
   \]

   using the eigenvalues. LMC estimates how the eigenvalues are distributed. The normalization factor \( \frac{1}{\ln n} \) is determined from

   \[
   -\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{\sigma_k}{\sigma_1} \ln \frac{\sigma_k}{\sigma_1}
   \]

   with \( \sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \ldots = \sigma_n / n \). That is, the LMC is normalized to a range between 1 and 0.

   As the LMC increases, eigenvalues are more evenly distributed, which means that more modes are simultaneously participating in EEG dynamics. Note that the LMC is always 1 if the system is stochastic.

2. Approximate entropy (ApEn)

   ApEn quantifies the predictability of subsequent amplitude values of the signal based on the knowledge of the previous amplitude values present in the time series \[8\].

   \[
   S(kT) = x(T), x(2T), x(3T), \ldots, x(nT)
   \]

   The normal procedure to calculate ApEn is the following. First, we start with the only data that we have, the discrete EEG time series, denoted by \( (1) \), where \( T \) is the sample period and \( n \), the number of samples of the EEG. The delays of the embedding vectors as usual are denoted by \( (2) \)
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\[ y(1) = x(1), x(1+\tau), x(1+2\tau), \ldots, x(1+\tau(m-1)) \]
\[ y(2) = x(1+\tau), x(1+j+L), x(1+2j+2L), \ldots, x(1+j+L(m-1)) \]
\[ \vdots \]
\[ y(i) = x(1+(i-L)j), x(1+(i-j)+L), \ldots, x(1+(i-1)j+L(m-1)) \]

Here, \( L \) is the number of sampling intervals between successive components of an embedding vector, and \( j \) is the number of sampling intervals between the first components of multiple successive vectors. Then, the correlation sum is defined by

\[ C_i(r) = \frac{1}{N-m+1} \sum_{j=1}^{N-m+1} \Theta(r - \|x(i)-x(j)\|) \]

where \( \Theta \) is the Heaviside unit-step function, the norm \( \| \cdot \| \) defines the distance between two vectors which is taken as the maximum distance between their components defined by (4). In this study, the length of the epoch (N) was 2560, the number of previous values used for the prediction of the subsequent value (m) was 2, and the filtering level (r) was 10% of the SD of the amplitude values. The summation in this formula counts the number of pairs of vectors \( x(i) \) and \( x(j) \) for which \( \|x(i)-x(j)\| \) is less than the chosen distance \( r \).

\[ \|x(i)-x(j)\| = \max_{k=1,2,\ldots,m} \|x(i+k-1)-x(j+k-1)\| \]

The parameter given by (5) is a simple normalization factor.

\[ \frac{1}{N-m+1} \]

ApEn is then defined by (6), which can be considered as an approximation of the Kolmogorov-Sinai entropy [8].

\[ ApEn(m,r,N) = \frac{1}{N-m+1} \sum_{i=1}^{N-m+1} \ln \left( C_i^m(r) \right) - \frac{1}{N-m} \sum_{i=1}^{N-m} \ln \left( C_i^{m+1}(r) \right) \]

The EEG signals were processed with the following steps.

Step 1: A moving window of 10 seconds was applied to the five channels at the same time.

Step 2: The data inside the window were used for reconstruction of a phase space following Takens’ delay theorem [21].

Step 3: The Grassberger and Procaccia algorithm was used for the point in the phase attractor to compute the correlation sum and then ApEn following the aforementioned algorithm [22].
Appendix 2. Control Stream Used for Analyzing Pharmacodynamic Model of Temporal Linear Mode Complexity

$PROB RUN# 161 (Direct PD fit for TLMC vs Sevoflurane)
$DATA Sevo_TLMC.csv IGNORE=#
$INPUT ID TIME CP DV MDV
$PRED
  TH1 = THETA(1)
  TH2 = THETA(2)
  TH3 = THETA(3)
  TH4 = THETA(4)
  TH5 = THETA(5)

  TE0 = TH1
  TMAX = TH2
  TCE50 = TH3
  TGAM = TH4
  TKE0 = TH5

  MU_1 = TE0
  E0 = MU_1 + ETA(1)
  MU_2 = LOG(TMAX)
  EMAX = EXP(MU_2 + ETA(2))
  MU_3 = LOG(TCE50)
  CE50 = EXP(MU_3 + ETA(3))
  MU_4 = LOG(TGAM)
  GAM = EXP(MU_4 + ETA(4))
  MU_5 = LOG(TKE0)
  KE0 = EXP(MU_5 + ETA(5))

  IF (TIME.EQ.0.OR.CP .EQ.0) THEN
    CE       = 0
    PTIME    = 0
    PCP      = 0
    PCE      = 0
  ENDIF

  DT=TIME-PTIME

  IF (DT.EQ.0.OR.CP .EQ.0) THEN
    DT1=1
  ELSE
    DT1=DT
  ENDIF

  IF(CP.GT.0.AND.CP.GE.PCP) THEN
    SLOPE   = (CP-PCP)/DT1
    DELT    = DT1*SLOPE+(KE0*PCP-SLOPE)*(1-EXP(-KE0*DT1))/KE0
  ENDIF

  IF(CP.GT.0.AND.CP.LT.PCP) THEN
    SLOPE   = (LOG(CP)-LOG(PCP))/DT1
    DELT    = PCP*KE0/(KE0+SLOPE)*(EXP(DT1*SLOPE)-EXP(-KE0*DT1))
  ENDIF
IF (CP GT0.AND.DT.GT0) THEN
    CE = PCE*EXP(-KE0*DT)+DELT
ELSE
    CE = PCE
ENDIF

IPRED = E0+(EMAX - E0)*CE**GAM/(CE**GAM + CE50**GAM)

PTIME = TIME
PCP = CP
PCE = CE

W = 1
IRES = DV - IPRED
IWRES = IRES / W
Y = IPRED + W*EPS(1)

$THETA ;#5
    (0, 0.6) ; E0
    (0, 0.3) ; EMAx
    (0, 3) ; CE50
    (0, 1) ; GAM
    (0, 0.2) ; KE0

$OMEGA ;#3
    0 FIX ; IIV_E0
    0 FIX ; IIV_EMAX
    0.2 ; IIV_CE50
    0.2 ; IIV_GAM
    0.2 ; IIV_KE0

$SIGMA ;#1
    0.1 ; EPS

$ESTIMATION NOTBT NOOBT NOSBT SIGL=3 NSIG=1 MAXEVAL=9999 PRINT=5 METHOD=1 MSFO=161.MSF NO-ABORT
$COVARIANCE PRINT=E

$TABLE ID ETA(1) ETA(2) ETA(3) ETA(4) ETA(5)
    FILE=161.ETA NOPRINT FIRSTONLY NOAPPEND
$TABLE ID E0 EMAX CE50 GAM KE0
    FILE=161.PAR NOPRINT ONEHEADER FIRSTONLY NOAPPEND
$TABLE ID TIME MDV IPRED IWRES NPRED RES CWRES
    FILE=sdtab161 NOPRINT ONEHEADER
$TABLE ID E0 EMAX CE50 GAM KE0 ETA(1) ETA(2) ETA(3) ETA(4) ETA(5)
    FILE=patab161 NOPRINT ONEHEADER