
pyPTE Documentation

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, where the entropy terms H are defined as:

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INSTALLATION GUIDE

The prerequisites for this package are:

Mandatory:

- a working Python installation, version 3.6 or higher
- git
- NumPy
- SciPy

Optional:

- mne-python
- pandas
- seaborn

Recommended:

To prevent Python module incompatibilities using a virtual environment like

- conda
- pyenv

is highly recommendable. If you are planning to use mne-python, an Anaconda3 installation is mandatory.

1.1 Step 1: Download pyPTE via GitHub

Clone into the public GitHub repository using:

```
> git clone https://github.com/patrk/pyPTE.git
```

1.2 Step 2: Build pyPTE

Build the pyPTE package and make it available to your Python interpreter by:

```
> cd pyPTE
> python setup.py install
```

1.3 Step 3: Test pyPTE

To test the installation of pyPTE simply run:

```
> cd test
> py.test
```


USAGE

The main functionality of this package, calculating the Phase Transfer Entropy (PTE) for a set of time-series is accessible via the following functions:

If you are using [MNE](#) for analyzing EEG or MEG recordings an [mne.io.Raw](#) object can be passed to:

```
from pyPTE.utils.mne_tools import PTE_from_mne

dPTE, rPTE = PTE_from_mne(raw)
```

which returns a tuple of the normalized dPTE, containing information about the directionality and the raw PTE matrix, whereas the matrices are pandas DataFrames indexed by the channel names from the [mne.io.Raw](#) object.

In other domains the PTE calculation can be called directly by either passing a [pandas.DataFrame](#) to:

```
from pyPTE import pyPTE
dPTE, rPTE = pyPTE.PTE_from_dataframe(dataframe)
```

or by passing a (m x n) [numpy.ndarray](#), where m is the number of samples and n is the number of time-series:

```
from pyPTE import pyPTE
dPTE, rPTE = pyPTE.PTE(timeseries)
```

where the returned tuple consists of the above mentioned dPTE, rPTE matrices as (n x n) [numpy.ndarray](#) objects ordered in the same way as the input object.

If you are interested in further aspects of the implementation see Developer's documentation.

EXAMPLES

Currently the pyPTE package delivers three examples which shall demonstrate the usage of the phase transfer entropy method.

3.1 Standard Kuramoto model

The standard Kuramoto model is a globally coupled system of linear differential equations of first order. It represents the phase behaviour of a set of coupled oscillators with respect to their intrinsic frequencies and a global coupling strength.

3.2 Neural mass model

This example incorporates an implementation of the stochastic non-linear dynamics of coupled cortical columns based on [Jansen1995] and [Wendling2000]

3.3 mne-python sample data set

This example illustrates how to extract data from a mne raw object, which can be fed into pyPTE. If you want to incorporate data from other software packages than MNE, please refer to the MNE documentation how to import raw data from other fileformats.

DEVELOPER'S DOCUMENTATION

4.1 To-do

Different approaches to estimate the prediction delay used for the Phase Transfer Entropy method shall be implemented and evaluated. Especially, a more sophisticated estimation as suggested by [Wibral2013] is desirable.

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