

# BCNN: A Bantamweight Convolutional Neural Network for P300 Detection

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# P300 ERP

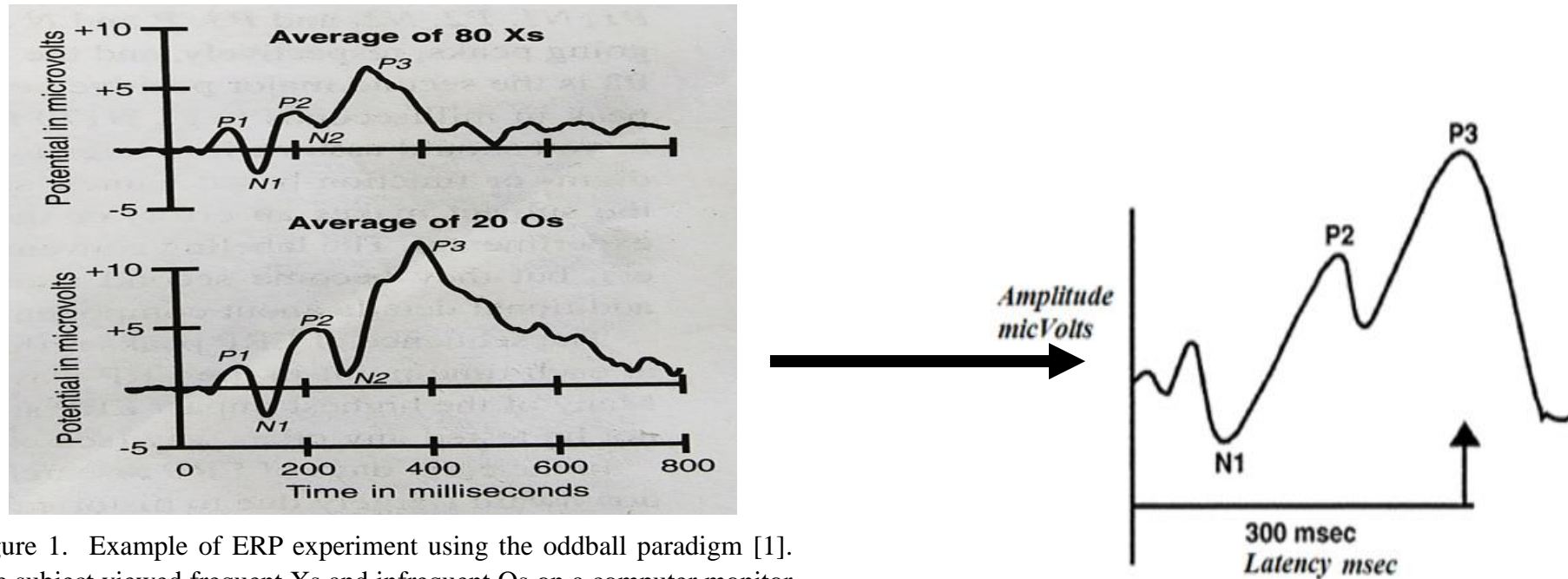
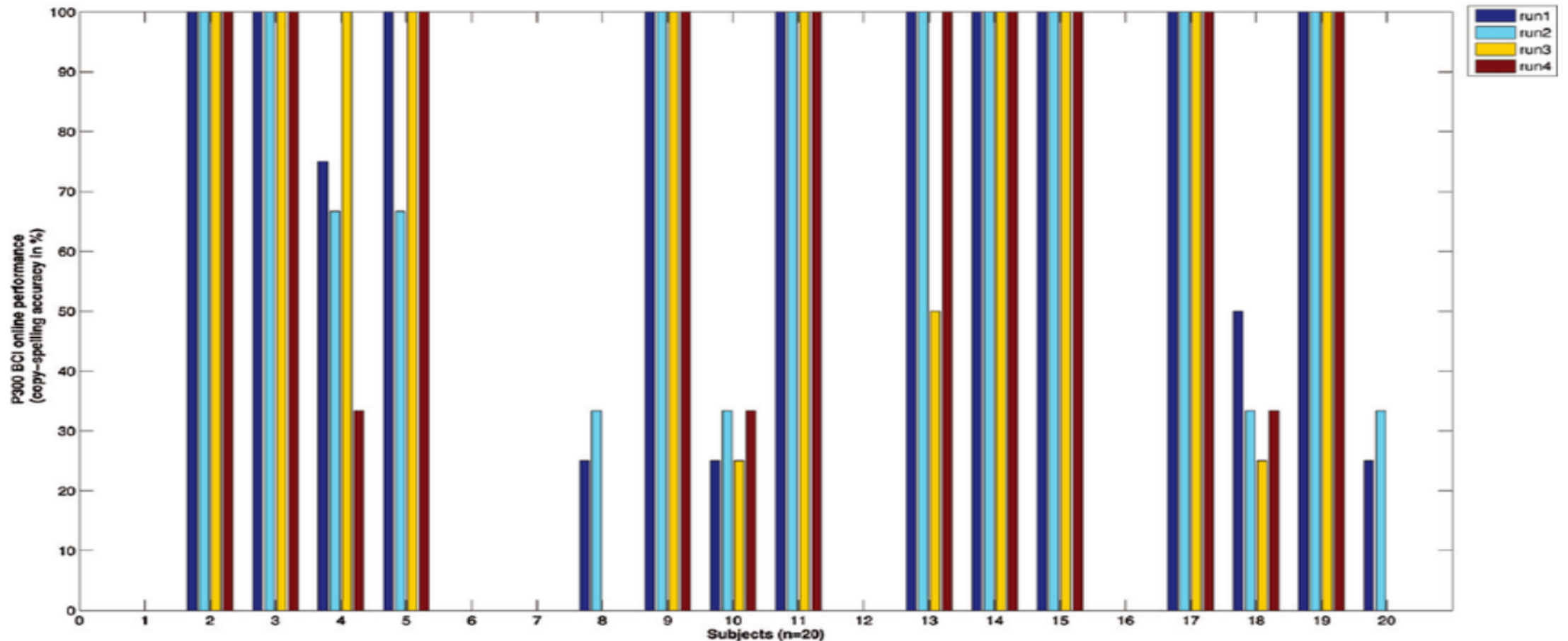


Figure 1. Example of ERP experiment using the oddball paradigm [1]. The subject viewed frequent Xs and infrequent Os on a computer monitor while the EEG was recorded from the active electrode Pz. Separate averages were computed for the X and O epochs. The amplitude of the bottom wave elicited by the uncommon stimuli Os, is obviously greater than the amplitude of the top wave elicited by the common stimuli Xs.

[Experiment: The Consciousness Detector - EEG, Oddball Task, and P300 \(backyardbrains.com\)](http://backyardbrains.com)

[A Study of Late Auditory Event Related Potentials Related to P300 Responses in Individuals with Learning Disabilities - \(saera.eu\)](http://saera.eu)

# Challenge in P300 detection (cross-subject detection)



P300 BCI online performance of 20 ALS subjects (four testing runs per subject: runs 1–4). 48.75% of runs achieved 100% online accuracy; 30% of runs had online accuracy of 0%.

[P300 BCI online performance of 20 ALS subjects \(four testing runs per... | Download Scientific Diagram \(researchgate.net\)\)](#)



# Cutting-edge CNNs for P300 detection

Table 1. Cutting-edge CNNs for P300 detection (S: spatial, T: temporal, Se: separable, D: depth-wise, F: filters, L: layers) [4].

Architecture	No. Conv filters	No. Conv layers	No. Dense filters & layers	No. Batch layers	No. Params	AUC value		Training epochs		Time
						Dataset1	Dataset2	Dataset1	Dataset2	
CNN1	10 S, 50 T	1 S, 1 T	102 F, 2 L	0	1,036,922	0.82±0.05	0.78±0.04	97±33	71±14	2010
UCNN1	10 S, 50 T	1 S, 1 T	102 F, 2 L	0	1,036,922	0.84±0.06	0.78±0.05	88±27	76±24	2010
CNN3	1 S, 50 T	1 S, 1 T	102 F, 2 L	0	1,031,009	0.78±0.11	0.73±0.08	111±37	93±31	2010
UCNN3	1 S, 50 T	1 S, 1 T	102 F, 2 L	0	1,031,009	0.83±0.06	0.76±0.07	114±42	87±30	2010
CNN-R	96 S, 256 T	1 S, 2 T	6146 F, 3 L	0	19,848,098	0.83±0.06	0.79±0.04	61±2	64±2	2015
DeepConvNet	25 S, 375 T	1 S, 4 T	2 F, 1 L	4	139,877	0.84±0.06	0.79±0.04	122±40	106±24	2017
ShallowConvNet	40 S, 40 T	1 S, 1 T	2 F, 1 L	1	12,082	0.82±0.07	0.79±0.03	177±29	157±33	2017
BN <sup>3</sup>	16 S, 16 T	1 S, 1 T	1 F, 3 L	2	44,589	0.83±0.06	0.78±0.04	113±21	95±9	2018
EEGNet	8 T, 16 Se	1 T, 1 D, 1 Se	2 F, 1 L	3	1,394	0.84±0.06	0.80±0.03	200±3	198±7	2018
OCLNN	16 T	1 T	2 F, 1 L	0	1,842	0.83±0.06	0.79±0.04	199±5	161±26	2018
FCNN	None	None	3 F, 2 L	0	2,477	0.83±0.06	0.75±0.04	197±7	132±12	2021
SepConv1D	4 Se	1 Se	1 F, 1 L	0	225	0.84±0.06	0.78±0.04	199±5	183±24	2021

# BCNN architecture

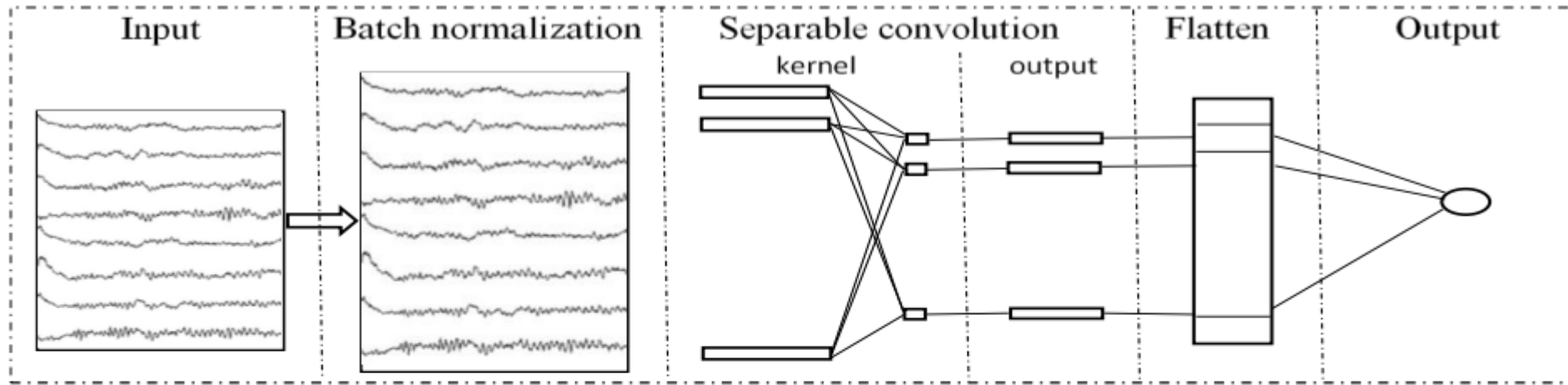


Figure 3. Visualization of BCNN architecture.

Table 2. BCNN architecture.

Block	Layer	# Filters	Size	# Parameters	Output	Activation	Options
1	Input		$T \times C$				
	BatchNorm		$T \times C$	$2 \times C$	$(T, C)$		
	ZeroPadding				$(T+2 \times p, C)$		Padding = $p$
	Separable Convolution	$F$	Kernel = $k$ Stride = $s$	$k \times C + F \times C + F$	$(1+(T+2 \times p-k)/s, F)$		
	Activation				$(1+(T+2 \times p-k)/s, F)$	Tanh	
	Flatten					$(1+(T+2 \times p-k)/s)$	
Classifier	Dense	1		$1+F \times (1+(T+2 \times p-k)/s)$	(1)	sigmoid	

# Outstanding feature

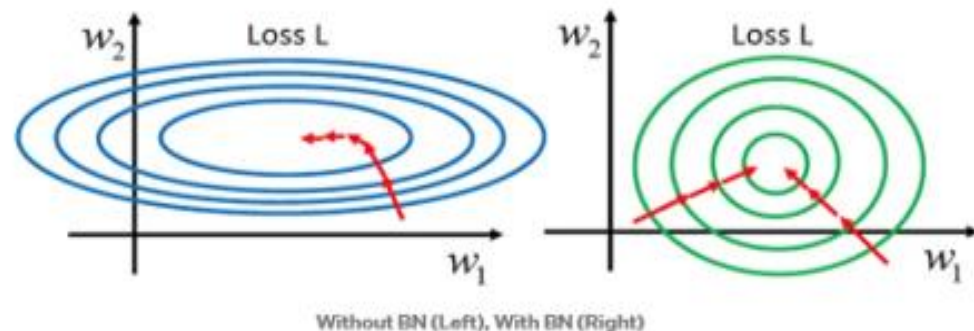


Figure 2. Batch normalization can smooth the loss landscape, thereby enabling large learning rate [6].

Table 4. Number of parameters on Dataset1.

Parameters	SepConv1D (4 filters)	SepConv1D (1 filter)	BCNN (1 filter)
Trainable	225	141	153
Non-trainable	0	0	12
Total	225	141	165

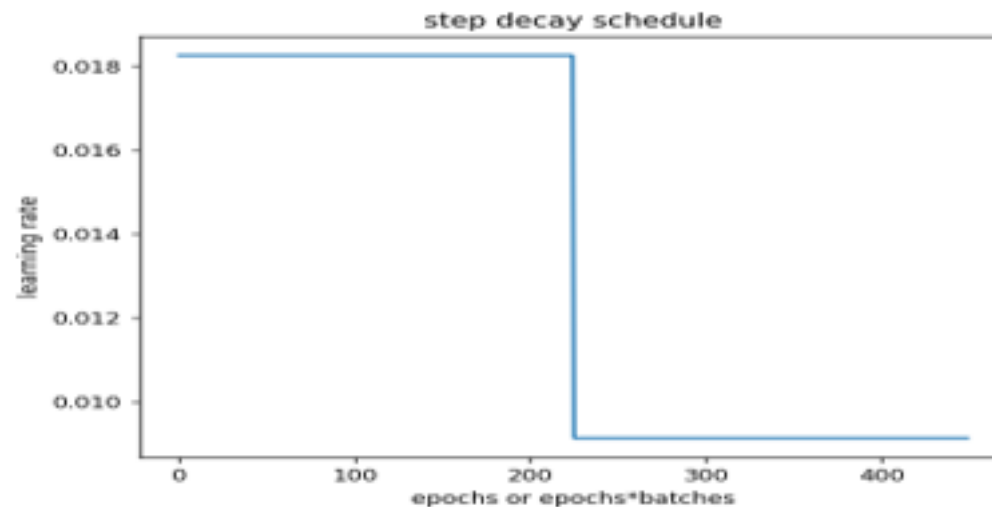


Figure 4. The step learning rate schedule.

Table 6. Number of parameters on Dataset2.

Parameters	SepConv1D (4 filters)	SepConv1D (1 filter)	BCNN (1 filter)
Trainable	265	163	179
Non-trainable	0	0	16
Total	265	163	195

# Experimental results

Table 5. AUC values on Dataset2.

Test subject	SepConv1D 4 filters 2 epochs	SepConv1D 1 filter 2 epochs	BCNN 1 filter 2 epochs
0	0.65	0.50	0.77
1	0.68	0.64	0.74
2	0.63	0.68	0.82
3	0.57	0.62	0.70
4	0.49	0.51	0.80
5	0.54	0.53	0.82
6	0.75	0.55	0.78
7	0.71	0.55	0.81
<b>Mean</b>	<b>0.63±0.09</b>	<b>0.57±0.07</b>	<b>0.78±0.04</b>

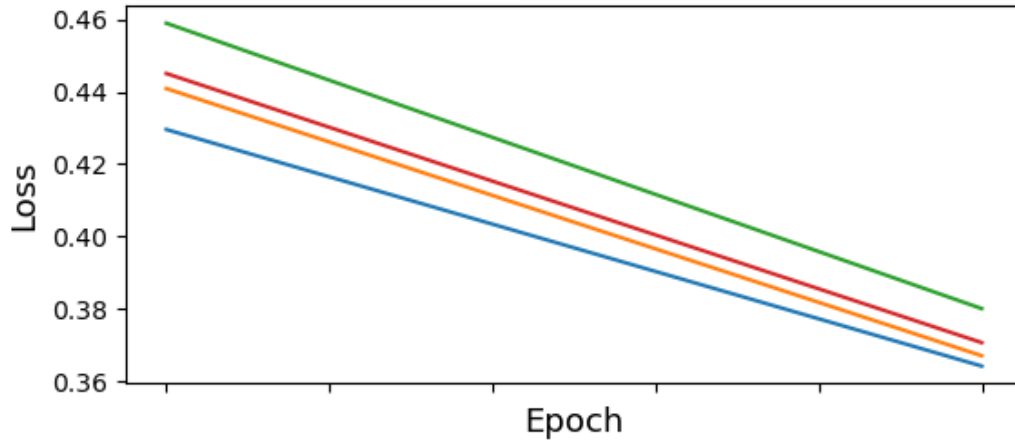
Table 3. AUC values on Dataset1.

Test subject	SepConv1D 4 filters 2 epochs	SepConv1D 1 filter 2 epochs	BCNN 1 filter 2 epochs	SepConv1D 4 filters 33 epochs	BCNN 3 filters 33 epochs
0	0.80	0.77	0.85	0.86	0.87
1	0.86	0.65	0.86	0.87	0.86
2	0.87	0.83	0.87	0.87	0.88
3	0.69	0.71	0.73	0.73	0.73
4	0.63	0.69	0.71	0.7	0.73
5	0.84	0.84	0.89	0.89	0.89
6	0.72	0.64	0.78	0.78	0.79
7	0.74	0.70	0.78	0.77	0.80
8	0.85	0.80	0.86	0.86	0.88
9	0.83	0.80	0.85	0.83	0.85
10	0.81	0.77	0.77	0.77	0.82
11	0.78	0.67	0.77	0.78	0.79
12	0.80	0.77	0.84	0.83	0.83
13	0.84	0.65	0.85	0.84	0.87
14	0.80	0.74	0.82	0.79	0.83
15	0.86	0.79	0.83	0.84	0.84
16	0.67	0.64	0.73	0.71	0.74
17	0.88	0.81	0.90	0.9	0.91
18	0.91	0.88	0.89	0.9	0.91
19	0.85	0.87	0.88	0.87	0.88
20	0.87	0.77	0.90	0.89	0.90
21	0.78	0.71	0.82	0.82	0.83
<b>Mean</b>	<b>0.80±0.07</b>	<b>0.75±0.07</b>	<b>0.83±0.06</b>	<b>0.82±0.06</b>	<b>0.84±0.06</b>

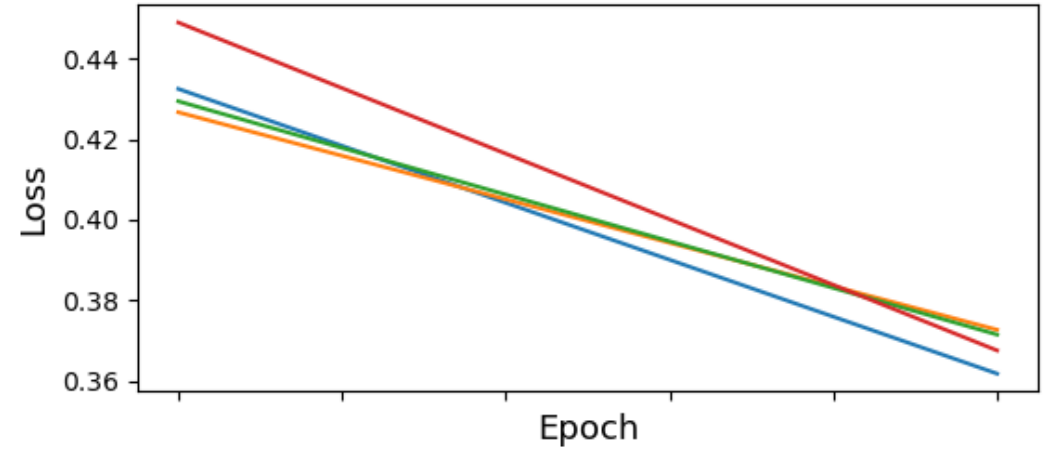


# Insights from Explainable AI: weight visualization

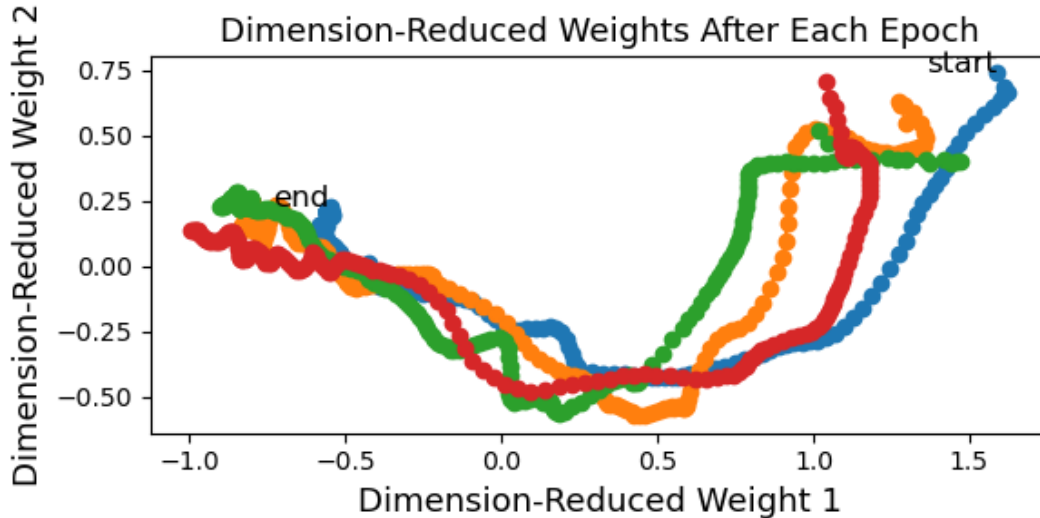
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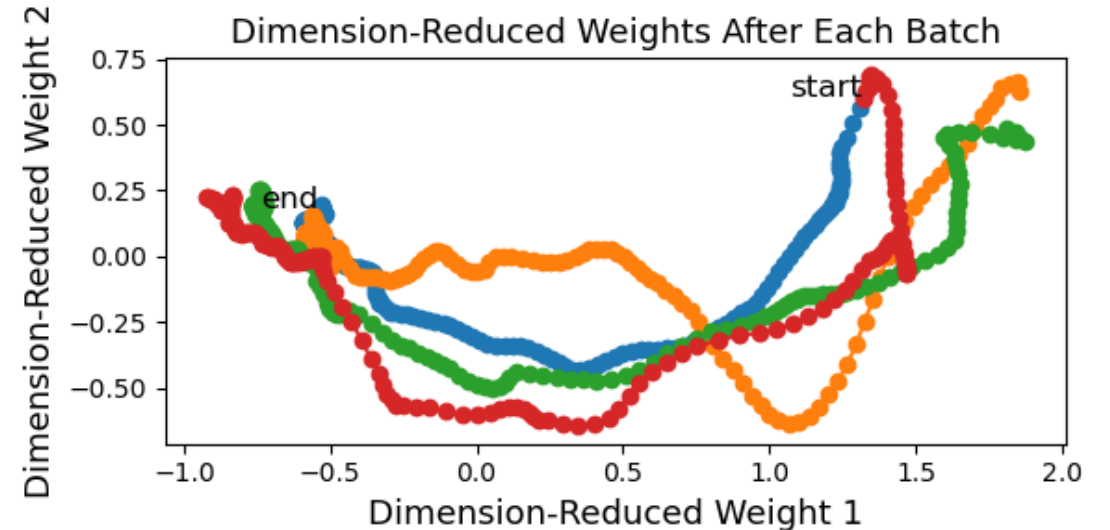
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Dimension-Reduced Weights After Each Epoch

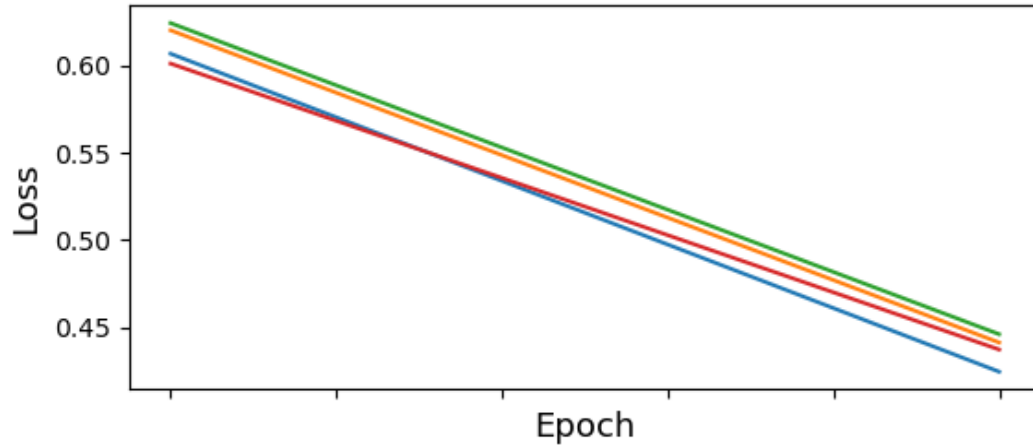


Dimension-Reduced Weights After Each Batch

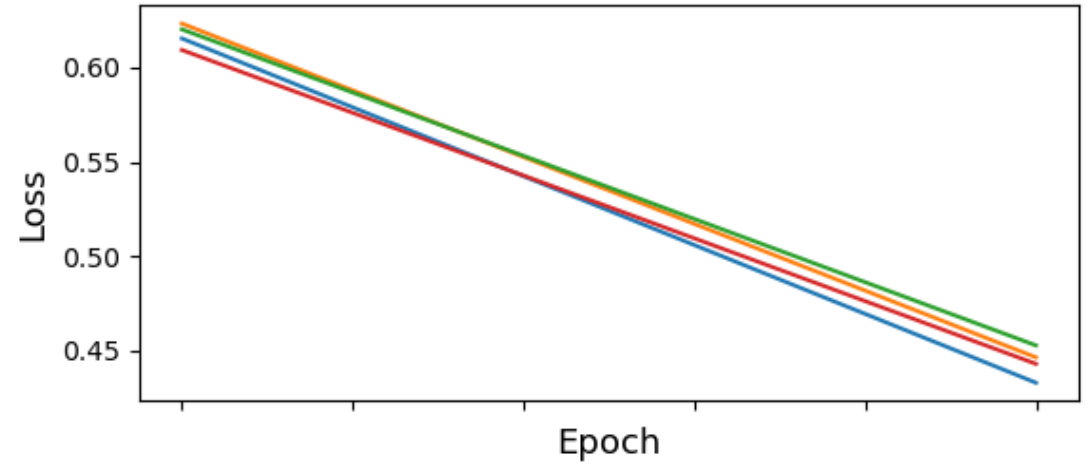


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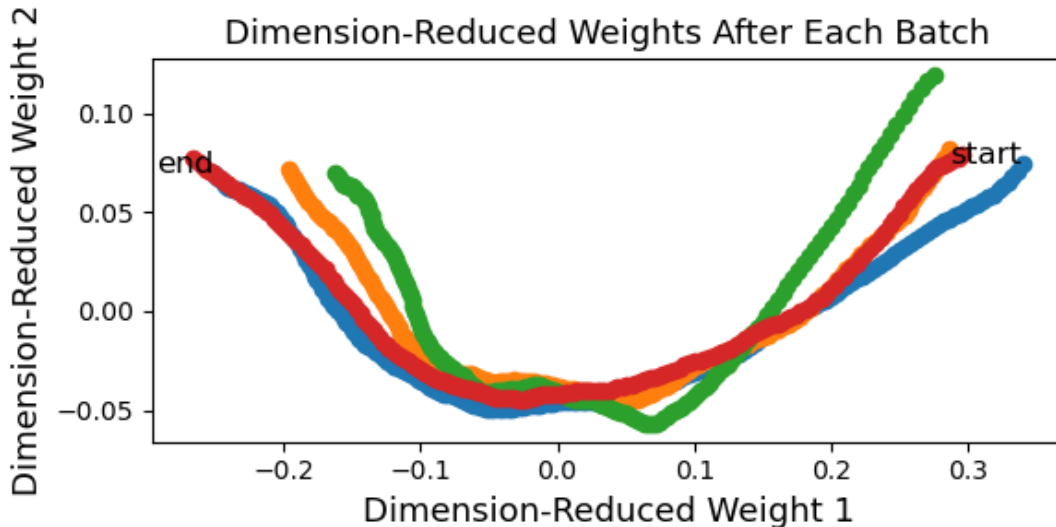
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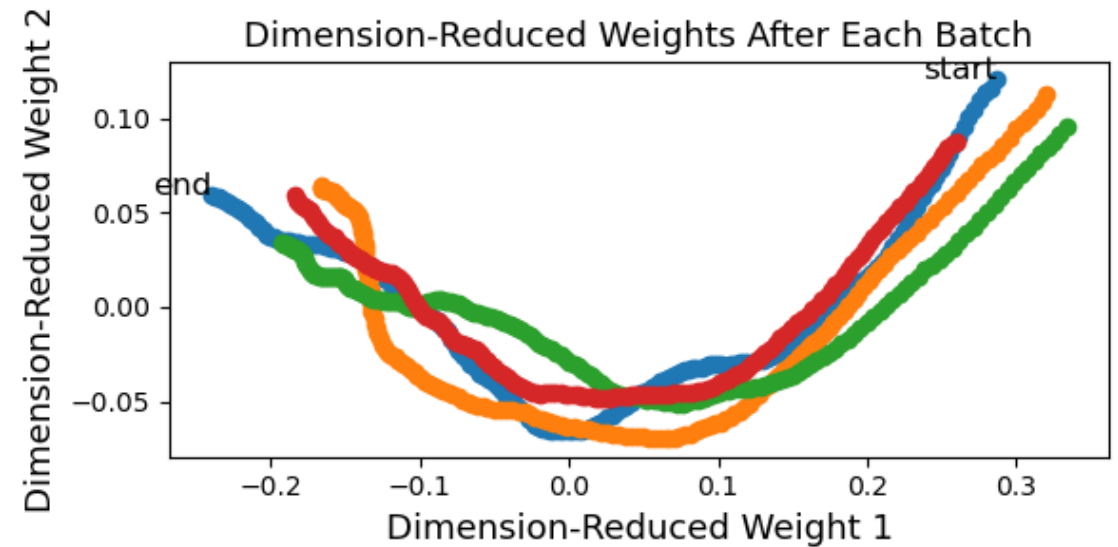
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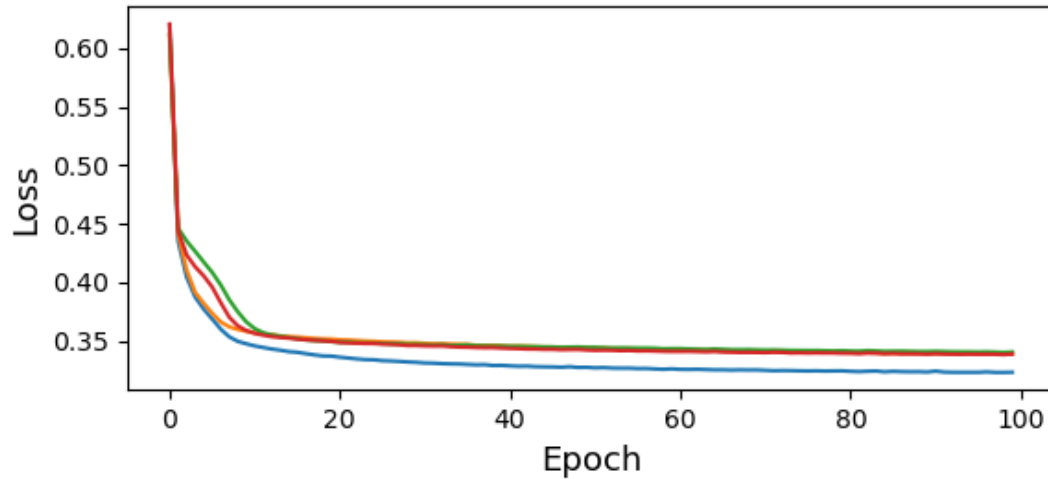


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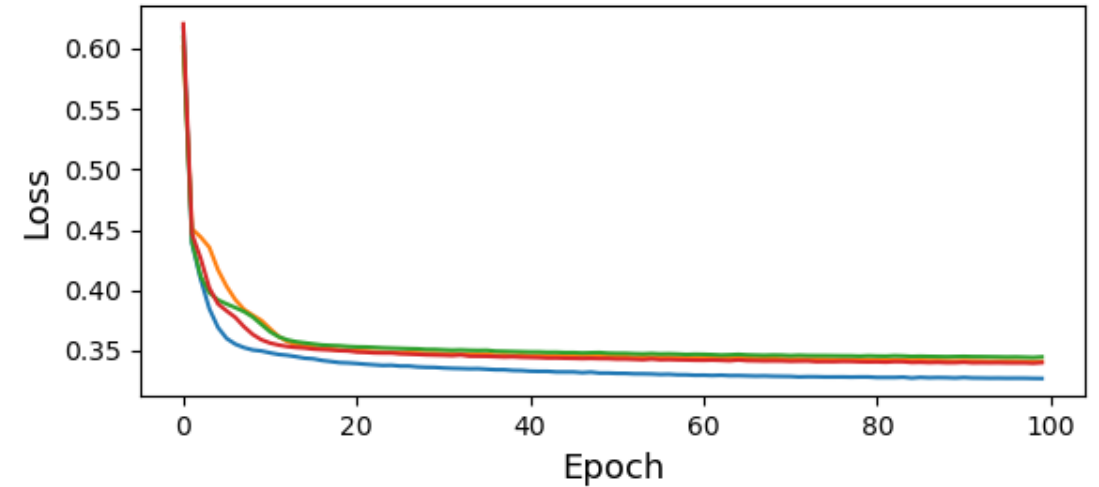


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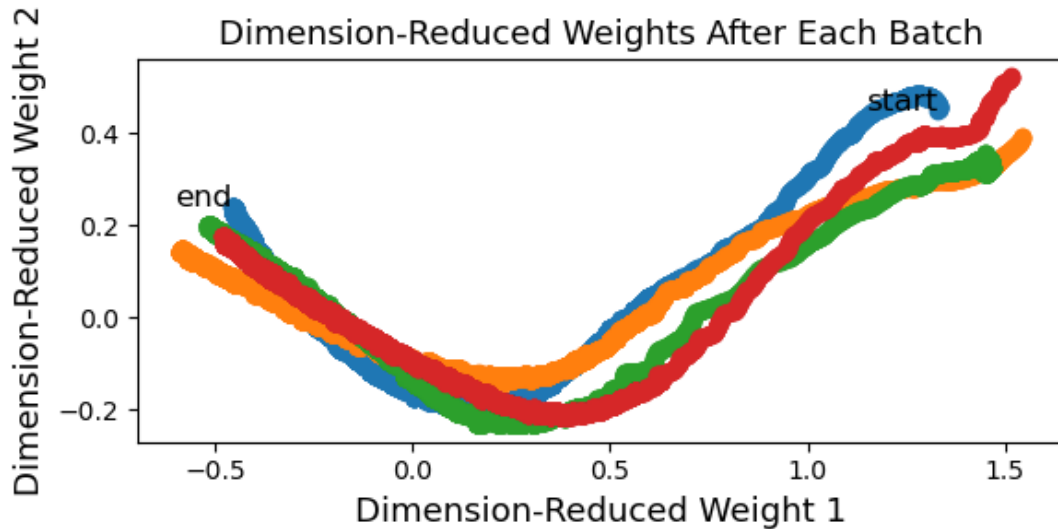
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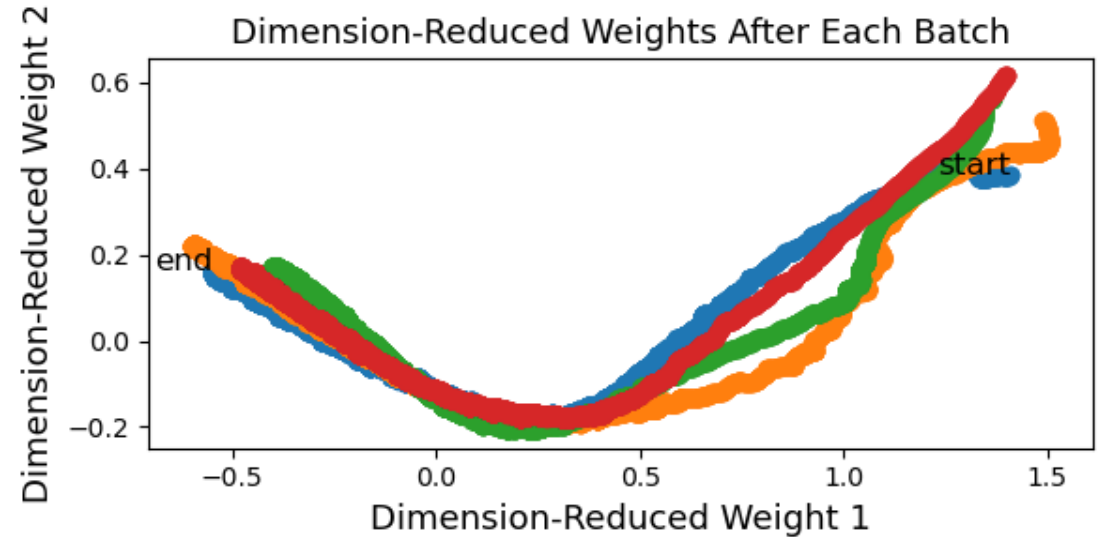
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# Insights from Explainable AI: saliency maps

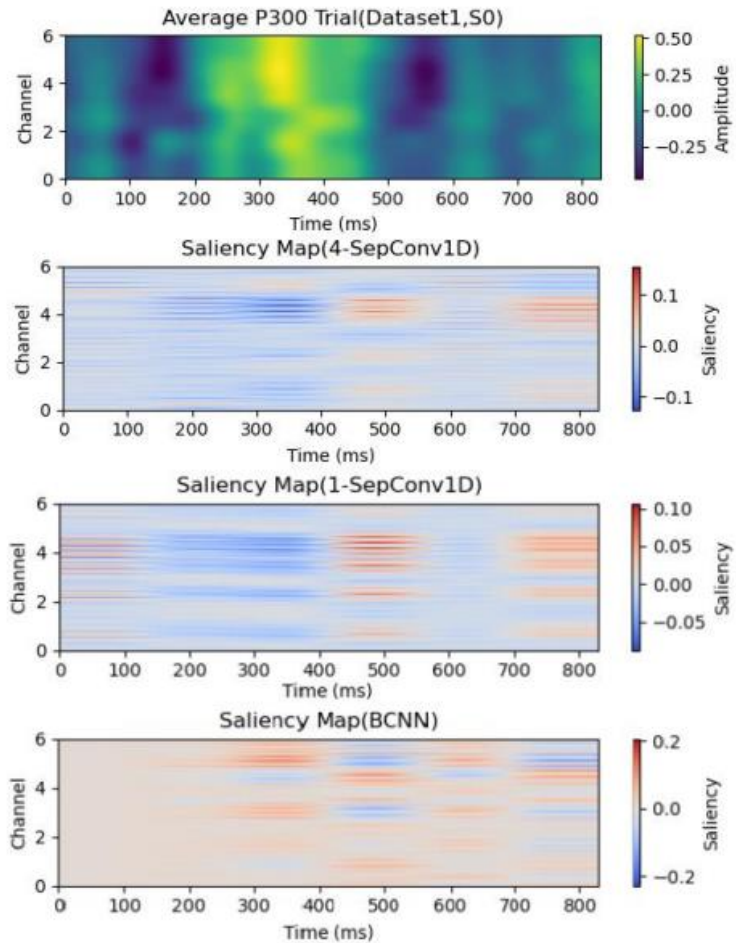


Figure 5. The average saliency maps of three CNNs (4-filter SepConv1D, 1-filter SepConv1D and BCNN) on the average P300 trial of subject 0 in Dataset1.

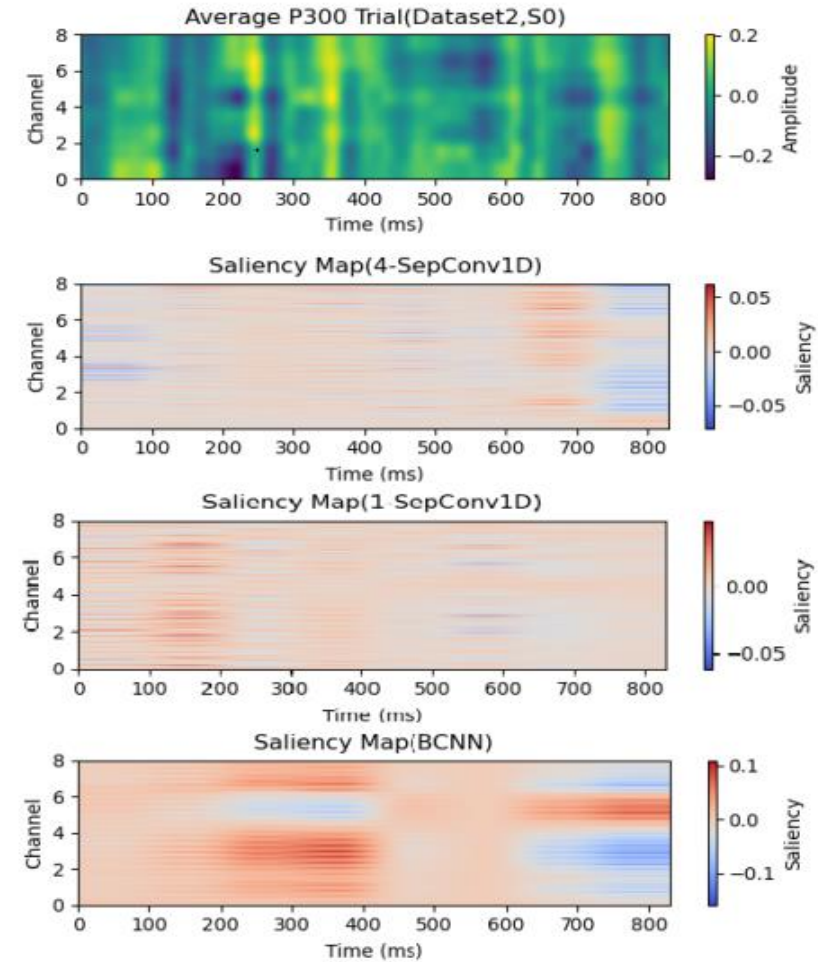


Figure 6. The average saliency maps of three CNNs (4-filter SepConv1D, 1-filter SepConv1D and BCNN) on the average P300 trial of subject 0 in Dataset2.

# Summary

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- **Proposes Bantamweight CNN (BCNN) for P300 Detection**
- **Separable Conv & Large learning rate**
- **1 filter & 165 parameters & 2 epochs**
- **State-of-the-art performance**
- **Insights from Explainable AI**

**Thanks !  
Any question ?**

