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Professional Expertise

In 1988 he joined the staff of the Department of Information Engineering, Niigata University, as a research associate. Since 1997, he has been an Associate Professor. In 1999-2000, he was a Visiting Scholar in University of Illinois at Chicago, USA.

Research Fields of Interest

High-Fidelity Biomedical Measurement

The real-time restoration of nonstationary biomedical signals under additive noise was investigated. A couple of restoration filters, composed of a series of this model, was developed. These filters restored band-limited approximations to their original signals in real-time. These methods were applied to catheter manometers, ambulatory electrocardiographs, thermodilution sensors, and X-ray images.

Human Brain Mapping

To obtain high resolution brain electrical activity, the cortical dipole distributions or cortical potential maps was estimated by solving the EEG inverse problem. Various spatial inverse filters incorporated with the signal and noise covariance were applied to the human experimental data such as visual evoked potential, movement-related potential, and so on.

Biosignal Interface

To accomplish the new modality of communication, the human interfaces using the biosignals such as electroencephalogram (EEG), electrooculogram (EOG), and electromyogram (EMG)



were investigated. Brain machine interface base on EEG and the communication device using eye movements or face movements were developed.

Education

1996: Dr. Eng. in Computer Science, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan

1988: M.E. in Information Engineering, Niigata University, Japan 1986: B.E. in Information Engineering, Niigata University, Japan

Professional Societies and Activities

- 1. Senior member of IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society
- 2. Member of International Society for Bioelectromagnetism
- 3. Member of Japan Society of Medical Electronics and Biological Engineering
- 4. Member of Institute of Electronics, Information and Communication Engineers of Japan
- 5. Member of Institute of Electrical Engineers of Japan
- 6. Member of Human Interface Society
- 7. Member of Japanese Human Brain Mapping
- 8. Member of Japanese Society for Wellbeing Science and Assistive Technology

Awards

- Hori, J.: "Improvement of Frequency Characteristics of Biomedical Measurement Systems by Means of Natural Observation Method," Young Investigator Awards in 5th Japanese Society of Medical Electronics and Biological Engineering, Oct. 1990.
- Maeda, Y., Nakamura, Y., Shimizu, T., Hori, J., and Hayashi, T.: "The prize for Educations in Faculty of Engineering, Niigata University, Personal computer course program for visually disabled aiming at student's practical education and social contribution by community association, 2006.3.

Major Publications

Papers

- [1] Hori, J., Saitoh, Y., Kiryu, T., Asakawa, T., Tamura, K. and Iijima, T.: "Improvement of the frequency responses in an ambulatory ECG system by the natural observation method," *Frontiers Med. & Biol. Eng.*, vol.2, no.2, pp.137-145, 1990.
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- [5] Hori, J. and He, B.: "Equivalent dipole source imaging of brain electric activity by means of parametric projection filter," *Annals Biomed. Eng.*, vol.29, no.5, pp. 436-445, May 2001.
- [6] Hori, J. and He, B.: "EEG Cortical potential imaging of brain electrical activity by means of parametric projection filters," *IEICE Trans. Info. & Syst.*, vol.E86-D, no.9, pp.1909-1920, 2003.
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- [8] Hori, J., Aiba, M., and He, B.: "Spatio-temporal dipole source imaging of brain electrical activity by means of

time-varying parametric projection filter," *IEEE Trans. Biomed.*

- Eng., vol.51, no.5, pp.768-777, May 2004.
- [9] Hori, J, Sakano, K., and Saitoh, Y.: "Development of a communication support device controlled by eye movements and voluntary eye blink," *IEICE Trans. Info. & Syst.*, vol.E89-D, no.6, pp.1790-1797, Jun. 2006.
- [10] Hori, J., Miwa, T., Ohshima, T., and He, B.: "Cortical dipole imaging of movement-related potentials by means of parametric inverse filters incorporating with signal and noise covariance," *Methods Inf. Med.*, vol.46, no.2, pp.242-246, 2007.
- [11] Hori, J. and Aoki, N., "Equivalent dipole sources localization using cortical dipole layer imaging and independent component analysis," *Int. J. Bioelectromagnetism*, vol.10, no.2, pp.100-110, 2008.
- [12] Hori, J., Sunaga, K., and Watanabe, S.: "Signal and noise covariance estimation based on ICA for high-resolution cortical dipole imaging," *IEICE Trans. Info. & Syst.*, vol.E93-D, no.9, pp.2626-2634, 2010.
- [13] Hori, J. and Koide, T.: "Three-dimensional cortical dipole imaging of brain electrical activity considering spherical and median plane," *IEEJ Trans. Electrical Electronic Eng.*, vol.6, suppliment 1, pp.S42-S49, 2011.
- [14] Hori, J. and Watanabe, Y.: "Cortical dipole imaging for multiple signal sources considering time-varying non-uniform noise," *IEEJ Trans. Electronics, Inf. Systems*, vol.131, no.11, 2011 (accepted).

Book Chapters

[1] He, B., Hori, J., and Babiloni, F. 2006. "Electroencephalography (EEG): Inverse Problems In: Akay, M. ed. Wiley Encyclopedia of Biomedical Engineering vol. 2," John Wiley and Sons, pp. 1355-1363.