

1 **Estimation of Global and Local Complexities of Brain Networks: A**
2 **Random Walks Approach**

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24 **Abstract**

25 The complexity of brain activity has been observed at many spatial scales and there exists
26 increasing evidence supporting its use in differentiating between mental states and disorders.
27 Here we proposed a new measure of network (global) complexity that is constructed as the sum
28 of the complexities of its nodes (i.e, local complexity). The local complexity of each node is
29 regarded as an index that compares the sample entropy of the time series generated by the
30 movement of a random walker on the network resulting from removing the node and its
31 connections, with the sample entropy of the time series obtained from a regular lattice (the
32 ordered state) and an Erdős-Renyi network (disordered state). We studied the complexity of
33 fMRI-based resting-state functional networks. We found that positively correlated, or “**pos**”,
34 network comprising only the positive functional connections has higher complexity than the
35 anticorrelation (“**neg**”) network (comprising the negative functional connections) and the
36 network consisting of the absolute value of all connections (“**abs**”). We also found a significant
37 correlation between complexity and the strength of functional connectivity. For the **pos** network
38 this correlation is significantly weaker at the local scale compared to the global scale, whereas
39 for the **neg** network the link is stronger at the local scale than at the global scale, but still weaker
40 than for the **pos** network. Our results suggest that the **pos** network is related to the information
41 processing in the brain and should be used for functional connectivity analysis instead of the **abs**
42 network as is usually done.

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48 **1. Introduction**

49 The development of a quantitative measure of complexity has proven difficult because of
50 the variety of systems that may be labelled as ‘complex’. In the case of the complexity of
51 networks, perhaps the most popular approach has been the use of information-based measures
52 (Bonchev & Buck, 2005; Dehmer, Barbarini, Varmuza, & Graber, 2009). The basic principle to
53 construct these measures is to select an arbitrary graph invariant X , partitioned as X_1, \dots, X_N .
54 Probabilities can be inferred for each partition using the entities $p_i = X_i / \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$ since it holds
55 that $\sum_{i=1}^N p_i = 1$. The information content of the graph is then computed using the Shannon
56 formula (Shannon, 1948): $H = \sum_{i=1}^N p_i \log(p_i)$. Another important definition of complexity was
57 proposed by Kolmogorov (Kolmogorov, 1968). The Kolmogorov complexity of a network is the
58 length of the shortest computer program that produces the network as output. Although
59 Kolmogorov complexity is uncomputable it can be approximated to a degree that allows its
60 practical use (Li & Vitányi, 2008).

61 The measures of complexity described above assume it to be a monotonically increasing
62 function of disorder. However, complexity can also be defined as a monotonically increasing
63 function of order, as shown by McShea (McShea, 1991), who found that the morphological
64 complexity of organisms changed with the level of self-organization, and the latter with order.
65 Finally, complexity can be defined as a convex function of disorder; i.e., a quantity that attains a
66 minimum for both completely ordered and completely disordered systems, and a maximum at
67 some intermediate level of disorder or order (López-Ruiz, Mancini, & Calbet, 1995; Shiner,
68 Davison, & Landsberg, 1999; Tononi, Edelman, & Sporns, 1998). Here, we adopt this latter
69 notion by assuming that network complexity achieves a minimum for random networks, also

70 known as Erdős-Renyi (ER) networks (Erdős & Rényi, 1959), and regular lattice (RL) networks
71 (Watts & Strogatz, 1998).

72 In addition to the global complexity of the brain network, in this work we are interested in
73 computing the local complexities (a measure for each of the different brain areas), such that the
74 global complexity of the network is the sum of the local ones; i.e, the complexity of the system is
75 the sum of the complexity of its parts. To estimate the complexities, we let a random walker
76 diffuse on the network and construct a time series of the strengths of the nodes (brain areas)
77 visited by the walker. The sample entropy (SampEn) (Richman & Moorman, 2000) of the time
78 series is then calculated. Local complexities are obtained by iteratively removing a node and all
79 its connections, constructing the time series from the walker movement in the resulting network,
80 computing the SampEn, and comparing this value to the average value obtained from 1000 ER
81 and 1000 RL networks with the same degree distribution and connections strengths.

82 Functional connectivity in the brain is defined as the synchronization of neurophysiological
83 events among anatomically separated brain areas (Friston, Jezzard, & Turner, 1994). Biswal and
84 colleagues (Biswal, Yetkin, Haughton, & Hyde, 1995) were the first to report that during resting-
85 state the primary motor regions in the left and right hemispheres were positively correlated. Later
86 studies identified positive correlations between regions that are now known to comprise the
87 default mode network (DMN) (Buckner, Andrews-Hanna, & Schacter, 2008; Raichle et al.,
88 2001). In addition to the reported correlated networks, anticorrelated networks have also been
89 reported by several studies (Michael D. Fox, Zhang, Snyder, & Raichle, 2009; Gopinath,
90 Krishnamurthy, Cabanban, & Crosson, 2015; Liang, King, & Zhang, 2012). Although
91 anticorrelations have been attributed to the global signals removal recent studies suggest a
92 physiological basis (Michael D. Fox et al., 2009; Kazeminejad & Sotero, 2019). For this reason,

93 in this paper we computed three different functional connectivity matrices for each subject using
94 the Pearson correlation between the resting-state functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI)
95 signals recorded from each of the 116 brain areas considered. A matrix consisting of the absolute
96 value of all connections (denoted as **abs**), a matrix consisting of only the positive connections
97 (denoted as **pos**) representing the positively correlated network, and a matrix comprising the
98 absolute value of only the negative connections (denoted as **neg**) representing the anticorrelation
99 network. We then compute the local complexities of the 116 brain areas, as well as the global
100 complexities of the entire brain network, and seven known functional networks of the brain
101 (Sedeño et al., 2016): default mode network (DMN), frontoparietal (FP), salience (SAL),
102 sensorimotor (SM), visual (V), cerebellar (CER), and temporo-basal-ganglial (TBG) networks.
103 Our results show that the **pos** network has higher global complexity than the **neg** and **abs**
104 networks. We also found a link between complexity and functional connectivity which changes
105 with the spatial scale and the type of brain network. For the **pos** network this link is significantly
106 weaker at the local scale compared to the global scale, whereas for the **neg** network the link is
107 stronger at the local scale than at the global scale, but still weaker than for the **pos** network. Also
108 in the **pos** network global complexity was strongly correlated to the network integration and
109 segregation, whereas **neg** was not significant correlated with integration and segregation. The
110 network formed by taking the absolute value of the functional connectivity (**abs**) presented lower
111 correlations than the **pos** case. Our results suggest that the **pos** network is related to the
112 information processing in the brain network and should be used for functional connectivity
113 analysis instead of the **abs** network.

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115 **2. Methods**

116 *2.1. Data acquisition and preprocessing*

117 The resting-state fMRI dataset of 89 subjects from the NIH Human Connectome Project
118 (HCP) (<https://db.humanconnectome.org>) (Van Essen et al., 2013) is used in this research.
119 Each subject was involved in 4 runs of 15 minutes each using a 3 T Siemens scanner, while their
120 eyes were open and had a relaxed fixation on a projected bright cross-hair on a dark background.
121 The data were acquired with 2.0 mm isotropic voxels for 72 slices, TR=0.72 s, TE=33.1 ms,
122 1200 frames per run, 0.58 ms echo spacing, and 2290 Hz/Px bandwidth (Moeller et al., 2010).
123 Therefore, the fMRI data were acquired with a spatial resolution of $2 \times 2 \times 2$ mm and a temporal
124 resolution of 0.72 s, using multibands accelerated echo-planar imaging to generate a high quality
125 and the most robust fMRI data. The fMRI data were spatially preprocessed to remove spatial
126 artifacts produced by head motion, B_0 distortions, and gradient nonlinearities (Jovicich et al.,
127 2006). Since comparison of fMRI images across subjects and studies is possible when the images
128 have been transformed from the subject's native volume space to the MNI space, fMRI images
129 were wrapped and aligned into the MNI space with FSL's FLIRT 12 DOF affine and then a
130 FNIRT nonlinear registration (Jenkinson, Bannister, Brady, & Smith, 2002) was performed. In
131 this study, the MNI-152-2 mm atlas (Mazziotta et al., 2001) was utilized for fMRI data
132 registration.

133 *2.2. Construction of functional connectivity matrices*

134 The peak voxel in each region, that is, the voxel of maximal activation, was selected by
135 computing the Root Mean Square (RMS) for each voxel's fMRI signal over all time. It has been
136 shown that the peak voxel provides the best effect of any voxel in the ROI (Sharot, Delgado, &
137 Phelps, 2004). Additionally, the peak voxel activity correlates well with evoked scalp electrical
138 potentials than approaches that average activity across the ROI. This means that the peak voxel

139 represents the ROI's activity better than other choices (Arthurs & Boniface, 2003). The peak
140 voxel in each region is determined using previously published Talairach coordinates (after
141 conversion to MNI coordinates and using AAL 116 atlas) (M. D. Fox et al., 2005). The resulting
142 signal was filtered to keep only low frequency fluctuations (0.01–0.08 Hz) (Yan & Zang, 2010).
143 Finally, the global signal (i.e., the average of the fMRI signals over the whole brain (Michael D.
144 Fox et al., 2009)) was regressed out.

145 We then computed the Pearson correlation between all possible pairs of time series
146 creating a 116x116 functional connectivity matrix for each subject. Three different networks
147 were obtained from this matrix. A network consisting of the absolute value of all connections
148 (denoted as **abs**) which is the most commonly used in fMRI connectivity studies (Meier et al.,
149 2016; Meszlényi, Hermann, Buza, Gál, & Vidnyánszky, 2017; Salvador et al., 2005), a network
150 consisting of only the positive connections (denoted as **pos**), and a network comprising the
151 absolute value of only the negative connections (denoted as **neg**). In all cases p -values were
152 corrected by means of a multiple comparison analysis based on the false discovery rate (FDR)
153 (Benjamini & Hochberg, 1995).

154 2.3. Construction of the time series of the random walker's movements on the connectivity matrix

155 We first consider an unweighted network consisting of N nodes. We place a large number
156 K ($K \gg N$) of random walkers onto this network. At each time step, the walkers move randomly
157 (with the same probability) between the nodes that are directly linked to each other. We allow
158 the walkers to perform T time steps. As a walker visits a node, we record the degree of the node.
159 Thus, after T time steps, we obtain K time series reflecting different realizations of the random
160 walker's movement on the network. Nodes with high degree (hubs) will appear more frequently
161 in the series than nodes with low degree.

162 In the case of weighted networks, such as the functional connectivity matrix representing
 163 the brain network, the transition probability p_{ij} from brain area i to brain area j is given by
 164 $p_{ij} = w_{ij} / \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij}$, where w_{ij} is the weight of the connection from area i to area j (Zhang,
 165 Shan, & Chen, 2013). We then construct a time series with the strengths of the nodes i visited by
 166 the walker: $str_i = \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij}$.

167 2.4. Computing the entropy of the time series

168 In this paper we use sample entropy (SampEn) (Richman & Moorman, 2000) to estimate
 169 the complexity of the time series of the diffusion of the random walker in the network. SampEn
 170 improved from approximate entropy (ApEn) (Pincus, 1991) by reducing the bias caused by self-
 171 matching. For a time series $x(i)$, $1 \leq i \leq N$, of finite length N , we first reconstitute the $N -$
 172 $m + 1$ vectors $X_m(i)$ following the form:

$$173 \quad X_m(i) = \{x(i), x(i + 1), \dots, x(i + m - 1)\}, \quad (1)$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, N - m + 1$$

174 where m is the embedding dimension.

175 Let $G_i^m(r)$ be the probability that any vector $X_m(j)$ is within distance r of $X_m(i)$:

$$176 \quad G_i^m(r) = \frac{1}{N-m+1} \sum_{j=1}^{N-m+1} \Theta(d_{ij}^m - r) \quad (2)$$

177 where d_{ij}^m is the distance between the vectors $X_m(i)$ and $X_m(j)$, defined as:

$$178 \quad d_{ij}^m = \max(|x(i + k) - x(j - k)|), \quad (3)$$

$$k = 0, 1, \dots, m$$

179 When the embedding dimension is m , the total number of template matches is:

$$180 \quad B_m(r) = \frac{1}{N-m} \sum_{i=1}^{N-m} G_i^m(r) \quad (4)$$

181 Similarly, when the embedding dimension is $m+1$, the total number of template matches is:

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$$A_m(r) = \frac{1}{N-m} \sum_{i=1}^{N-m} G_i^{m+1}(r) \quad (5)$$

183 Finally, the SampEn of the time series is estimated by:

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$$\text{SampEn}(r, m, N) = -\ln \left(\frac{A_m(r)}{B_m(r)} \right) \quad (6)$$

185 *2.5. Computing local complexities and global complexity*

186 We propose to obtain local complexities c_i by 1) iteratively removing a node and all its
187 connections, 2) constructing the time series from the random walker diffusion in the resulting
188 network, and 3) computing the SampEn of the time series obtained in the previous step. For node
189 i , the resulting SampEn is labelled as $H_{\neq i}$. Then we compare this value to the average SampEn
190 (computed followed the same procedure outlined before) of 1000 ER (\bar{H}_{ER}) and 1000 RL
191 networks (\bar{H}_{RL}) of the same size (i.e, $N-1$) and connections strengths taken from the original
192 matrix. The local complexity is the percent this value is of the square of the entropy of the
193 original matrix (H), multiplied by the probability (p_i) of the appearance of the node in the time
194 series:

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$$c_i = 100p_i \frac{|(H_{\neq i} - \bar{H}_{ER})(H_{\neq i} - \bar{H}_{RL})|}{H^2} \quad (7)$$

196 Figure 1 shows the steps described above for computing the local complexities. The global
197 complexity of the network C is then computed as the sum of the local complexities:

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$$C = \sum_{i=1}^N c_i \quad (8)$$

199 **3. Results**

200 **3.1.1 Global complexity of simulated complex networks**

201 As stated before, the goal of this work is to propose a new measure of structural
202 complexity that is useful for brain networks. To demonstrate the usefulness of the quantity we
203 defined, we start by measuring how changes in the underlying network structure affects the

204 observed values of global complexity. To this end, we devised a scenario in which the network
205 gradually transforms from the perfectly orderly state (regular lattice network) to a completely
206 random state (Erdos-Renyi network). Following equations (7) and (8) we expect complexity to
207 have a minimum at these states. Network states different from these minimums would have a
208 mixture of order and disorder and thus were modeled using the small-world model (Watts &
209 Strogatz, 1998). In this model, nodes of the network are placed on a regular k -dimensional grid
210 and each node is connected to m of its nearest neighbours, producing a regular lattice of nodes
211 with equal degrees. Then, with probability p , each connection is randomly randomly rewired.
212 The RL network corresponds to the value $p = 0$. When $p > 0$, edge rewiring is applied, and this
213 changes the degree distribution of nodes. On the other end of the spectrum is the ER model
214 (Erdős & Rényi, 1959), obtained when $p = 1$, in which there is no connectivity pattern between
215 nodes. In between, SW networks, obtained for values $0 < p < 1$, present high clustering and
216 short path length (Watts & Strogatz, 1998).

217 Graph theoretical studies of mammalian cortical networks recreated from tract tracing
218 experiments demonstrated that the cat and macaque interareal anatomical networks share similar
219 small world properties of short path length and high clustering (Hilgetag & Kaiser, 2004; Sporns
220 & Zwi, 2004). Additionally, studies of anatomical and functional connectivity networks
221 estimated from human neuroimaging data also found small world characteristics (Bassett &
222 Bullmore, 2006; Salvador et al., 2005). To simulate RL, SW and ER networks we use Matlab
223 function 'WattsStrogatz.m' which has as inputs the parameters k and p .

224 Figure 2A shows examples of matrices of size $N = 100$, for five different values of the
225 rewiring probability p , and three values of the mean node degree k . The weights in the network
226 were generated from a uniform random distribution with values between 0 and 1. We then placed

227 10^4 random walkers onto these networks. The steps for estimating the global complexity of the
228 network are presented in Figure 1 and described in detail in the Methods section. Figure 2B
229 shows the global complexity of a network as a function of the rewiring probability p . Three
230 different values of the average node degree were used $k = 6, 8, 10$. The results show that for a
231 fixed network size the maximum global complexity decreases with the increase of k (the
232 network gets denser). Additionally, the probability at which the peak in complexity was
233 achieved, also decreased with the increase of k .

234 *3.1.2 Complexity analysis of large-scale human brain networks*

235 Figure 3A displays these matrices for one subject. Figure 3B shows the node degree of the
236 three matrices average across all subjects, figure 3C shows their entropy, and figure 3D their
237 global complexity. Our results show that the **pos** matrices are sparser than the **neg** matrices but
238 have approximately the same entropy. This results in the **pos** network having a higher global
239 complexity than the **neg** matrices. The **abs** matrices presented the lowest global complexity of
240 the three cases.

241 Figure 4A shows the linear fits between the global complexity and the sum of the
242 functional connectivity strengths (SFCS) of the entire brain network for the **abs**, **pos**, and **neg**
243 cases. We found that for the **pos** case, there is a strong correlation ($r = 0.62, p = 9.5e^{-11}$)
244 between global complexity and SFCS, followed by the **abs** case ($r = 0.28, p = 0.0077$). The
245 anticorrelation network was not significantly correlated with SFCS ($r = 0.11, p = 0.29$). We
246 also computed the linear fits between local complexities and the SFCS of each brain area (figure
247 4B). We found that for the **pos** case the link between complexity and functional connectivity was
248 significantly weaker at the local scale compared to the global scale ($r = 0.22, p = 2e^{-23}$). For
249 the anticorrelation network the link was stronger at the local ($r = 0.18, p = 3e^{-21}$) than at the

250 global scale, but still weaker than for the **pos** case. The correlation between complexity and
251 connectivity was essentially the same at the global and local scales for the **abs** case (figure 4).

252 Complex networks are expected to present high values of both integration and segregation.
253 Thus, we also explored the link between them and global complexity (figure 5). Integration and
254 segregation were estimated using the global efficiency and average clustering coefficient of the
255 network, respectively (Sporns, 2013). We found strong correlations between global complexity
256 and both integration ($r = 0.55, p = 2.7e^{-8}$) and segregation ($r = 0.59, p = 2e^{-9}$) for the **pos**
257 network, and lower values for the **abs** case ($r = 0.26, p = 0.016$ for the correlation with
258 integration and $r = 0.28, p = 0.008$ for the correlation with segregation). No significant
259 correlations were found for the **neg** case.

260 We also investigated the link between the three network types at the global (figure 6A) and
261 local scales (figure 6B) finding that the **pos** and **neg** networks are not significantly correlated at
262 any spatial scale.

263 Figure 7 presents the local complexity of the 116 brain areas for the **pos** and **neg** cases.
264 Seven resting-state networks (Sedeño et al., 2016) were considered (DMN, FP, SAL, CER, V,
265 SM, TGB) as well as areas that were not allocated to a network (NA). In both **pos** and **neg** cases,
266 the area with the highest complexity belongs to the DMN (Angular R and Frontal Med Orb R).
267 Figure 8 displays the local complexity for the **abs** case and the sum of the complexities of the
268 **neg** and **pos** case (**neg+pos**). In the **abs** case, the highest complexity was obtained for the left
269 paracentral lobule, while the right angular gyrus presented the highest complexity for the
270 **neg+pos** case.

271 We computed the global complexity of the seven resting-state networks (figure 9A). We
272 found that the network with the highest complexity for all cases was the cerebellar network,

273 while the network with the lowest complexity was the salience network. The DMN, FP, CER, V
274 and SM networks presented more complexity in the **pos** than in the **neg** case, while the SAL and
275 TGB networks were more complex in the **neg** case. When interpreting this result we need to be
276 aware of the fact that since the global complexity of the network is computed as the sum of the
277 local complexities (equation 8), networks comprising few brain areas (as is the case of the
278 salience network) will have a low value of global complexity provided that the difference in the
279 values of the local complexities is not high (see figures 7 and 8). To account for this issue, we
280 also divided the global complexity of each network by the number of areas in each network
281 (figure 9B). As a result, although the average contribution of the areas in the salience network to
282 the network complexity is still the lowest among the seven resting state networks for the **pos**
283 case, it is the areas in the visual network the ones with the lowest contribution in the **neg** case.

284 Along these lines, hemispherical differences can be investigated as well. Previous studies
285 have found interhemispheric asymmetry in brain connectivity during resting-state (Medvedev,
286 2014). We found that the left hemisphere was significantly more complex than the right
287 hemisphere for the seven resting-state networks (figure 10).

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289 **Discussion**

290 In this study we proposed a new measure of network (global) complexity that is
291 constructed as the sum of the complexities of its nodes. The complexity of each node (i.e, local
292 complexity) was estimated as an index that compares the sample entropy of the time series
293 generated by the movement of a random walker on the network resulting from removing the
294 node and its connections, to the sample entropy of the time series obtained from a regular lattice
295 (the ordered state) and an Erdos-renyi network (disordered state). Our simulations demonstrated

296 that our measure of complexity (equations (7)-(8)), achieves a minimum for the regular lattice
297 and Erdos-Renyi networks, and a maximum at some intermediate state, representing a small-
298 world network with both order and disorder characteristics (figure 2). The rationale behind the
299 use of random walks is that diffusion process are capable of uncovering the large-scale
300 topological structure of complex networks (Noh & Rieger, 2004; Simonsen, Astrup Eriksen,
301 Maslov, & Sneppen, 2004; Skardal & Adhikari, 2018). For instance, random walks are the basis
302 of Infomap (Rosvall & Bergstrom, 2008), a popular method for detecting community structure in
303 complex networks. Past studies of anatomical and functional brain connectivity have found
304 interlinked communities that form a partly decomposable modular architecture (Ashourvan,
305 Telesford, Verstynen, Vettel, & Bassett, 2019; Meunier, Lambiotte, Fornito, Ersche, &
306 Bullmore, 2009). Such architectures are hallmarks of complex systems and are thought to be of
307 fundamental importance for understanding mental processing and cognition (Bola & Borchardt,
308 2016). In the brain, hierarchies of linked communities span across several levels including brain
309 regions, functional circuits and large-scale networks. This structural diversity cannot be captured
310 by previous structural complexity measures relying mainly on Shannon entropy (Shannon,
311 1948), but can be probed using random walks (Rosvall & Bergstrom, 2008).

312 Once we constructed the time series of the random walker's movement in the network, we
313 needed a measure to estimate its complexity. There is a diversity of complexity measures based
314 on different entropy definitions, such as: Shannon entropy (Shannon, 1948), Tsallis entropy
315 (Tsallis, 1988), spectral entropy (Inouye et al., 1991), wavelet entropy (Rosso et al., 2001),
316 approximate entropy (Pincus, 1991), sample entropy (Richman & Moorman, 2000), fuzzy
317 entropy (Weiting Chen, Zhizhong Wang, Hongbo Xie, & Wangxin Yu, 2007), and permutation
318 entropy (Bandt & Pompe, 2002). In this work we selected sample entropy since it can quantify

319 the amount of regularity and unpredictability of fluctuations in a time series (Richman &
320 Moorman, 2000). This is important because of the presence of communities in brain networks
321 (Ashourvan et al., 2019; Meunier et al., 2009), which will result in repetitive patterns of nodes in
322 the time series of the random walker's movement (Fortunato & Hric, 2016).

323 Our study of brain complexity found interhemispheric asymmetry, where the left
324 hemisphere was significantly more complex than the right hemisphere, for all the seven brain
325 networks explored. Previous studies have also found interhemispheric asymmetry in brain
326 connectivity during resting-state. For instance, a recent study used near-infrared spectroscopy
327 (NIRS) signals to estimated functional connectivity matrices (Medvedev, 2014). Their results
328 revealed significantly stronger and denser connectivity patterns in the right hemisphere in most
329 subjects. This denser pattern of connections in the right hemisphere compared to the left
330 hemisphere can lead to a lower structural complexity if it is not accompanied with a significant
331 increase in the entropy of the network. Thus, the balance between the entropy of the network and
332 its density determines the network's complexity. This was exemplified in figure 3 where we
333 found that the entropy of the positive network and the anti-correlated network were essentially
334 the same, but the positive network was sparser, which resulted in it being more complex than the
335 anti-correlated network.

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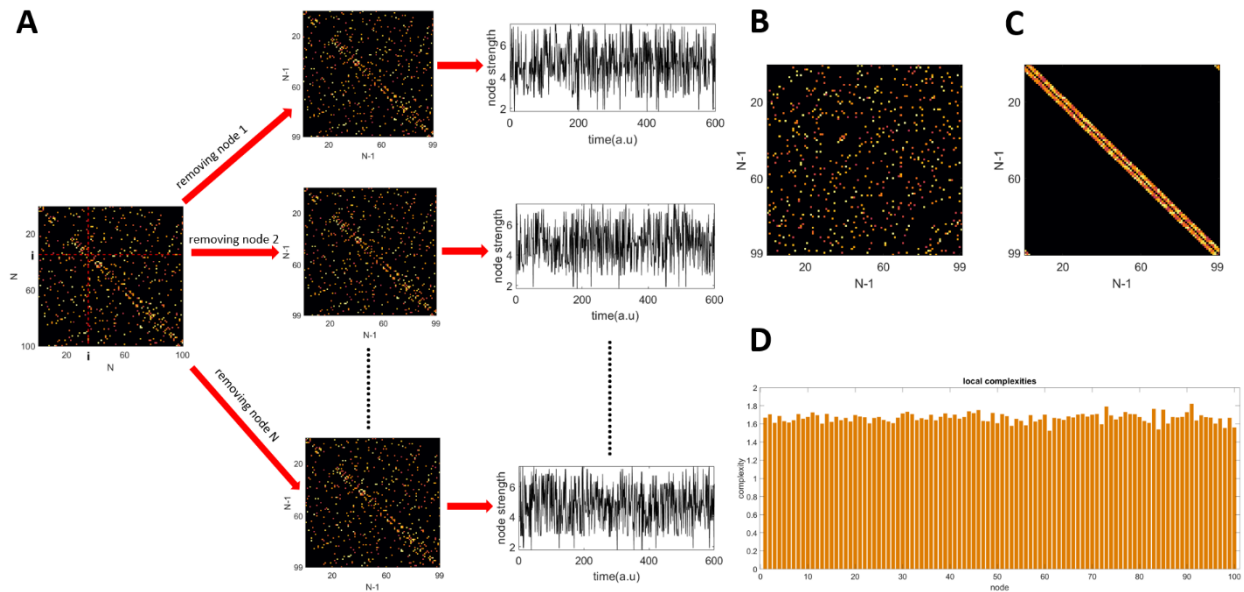
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507 **Figure 1.** Methodology for computing local complexities. A) Given a connectivity matrix of size
508 N , each node is removed iteratively and a new matrix of size $(N-1) \times (N-1)$ is obtained. Then a
509 time series of node strengths is constructed from the diffusion of a random walker in the new
510 matrix. B) A random network of size $(N-1) \times (N-1)$ with the same average degree and strengths as
511 the matrices obtained in A. C) A regular network of size $(N-1) \times (N-1)$ with the same average
512 degree and strengths as the matrices obtained in A. D) Local complexities.

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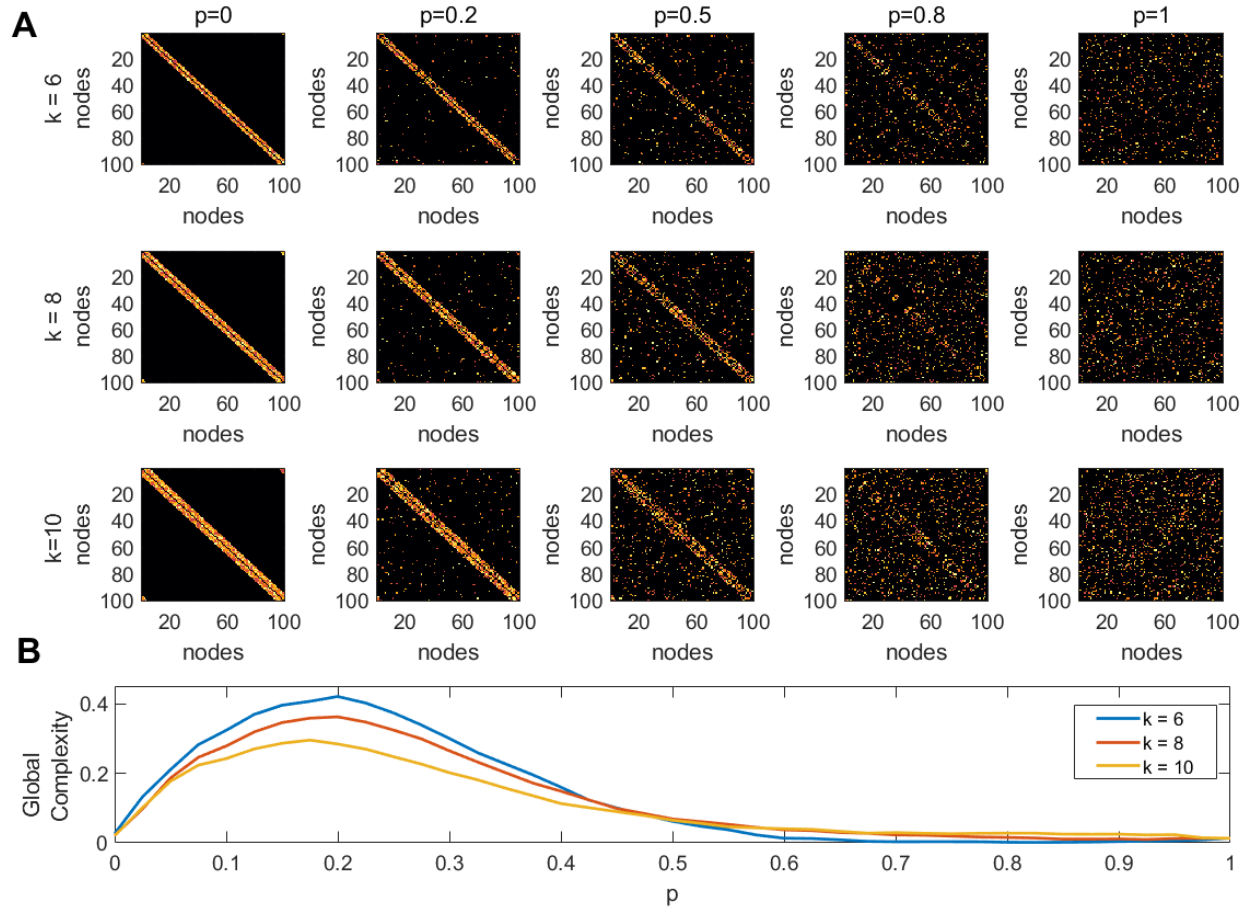
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523 **Figure 2.** Global complexity of simulated networks. A) All networks have the same size
524 $N = 100$, and were simulated using the Watts and Strogatz algorithm for creating small-world
525 networks. The inputs to the model are the rewiring probability p , and mean node degree k . B)
526 Global complexity as function of the rewiring probability p .

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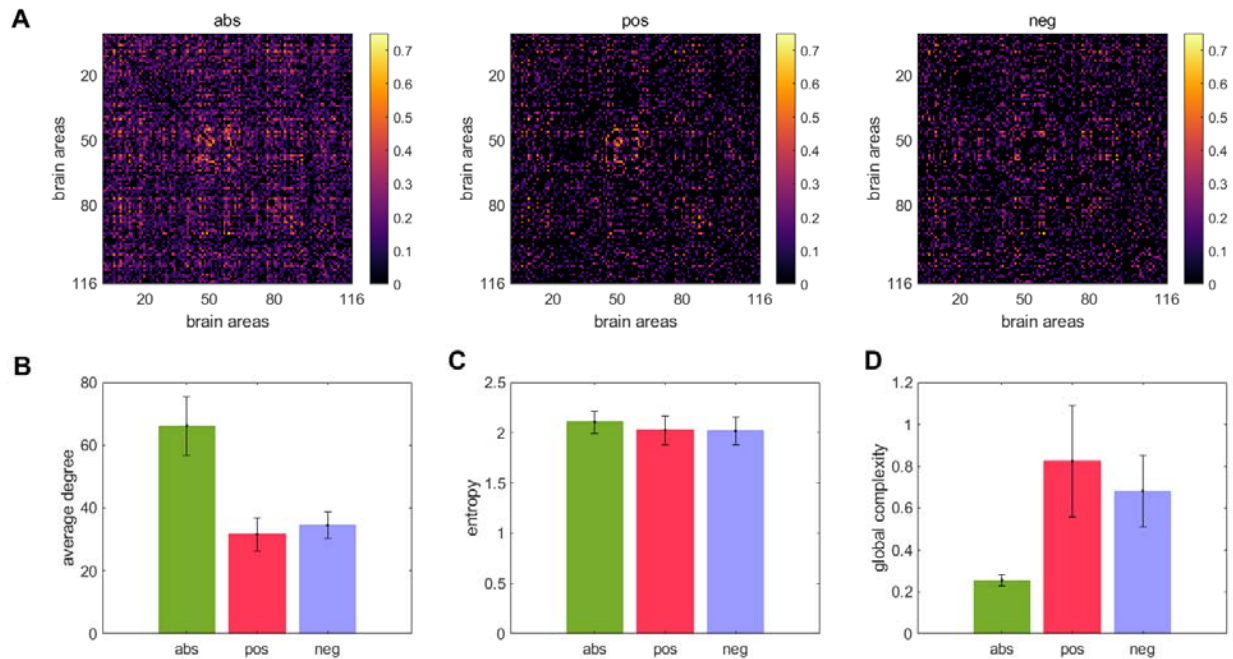
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534 **Figure 3.** Global complexity of the entire brain network. A) A matrix consisting of the absolute
535 value of all connections (denoted as **abs**), a matrix consisting of only the positive connections
536 (denoted as **pos**), and a matrix comprising the absolute value of only the negative connections
537 (denoted as **neg**). B) node degree averaged across subjects C) entropy averaged across subjects.
538 D) global complexity averaged across subjects.

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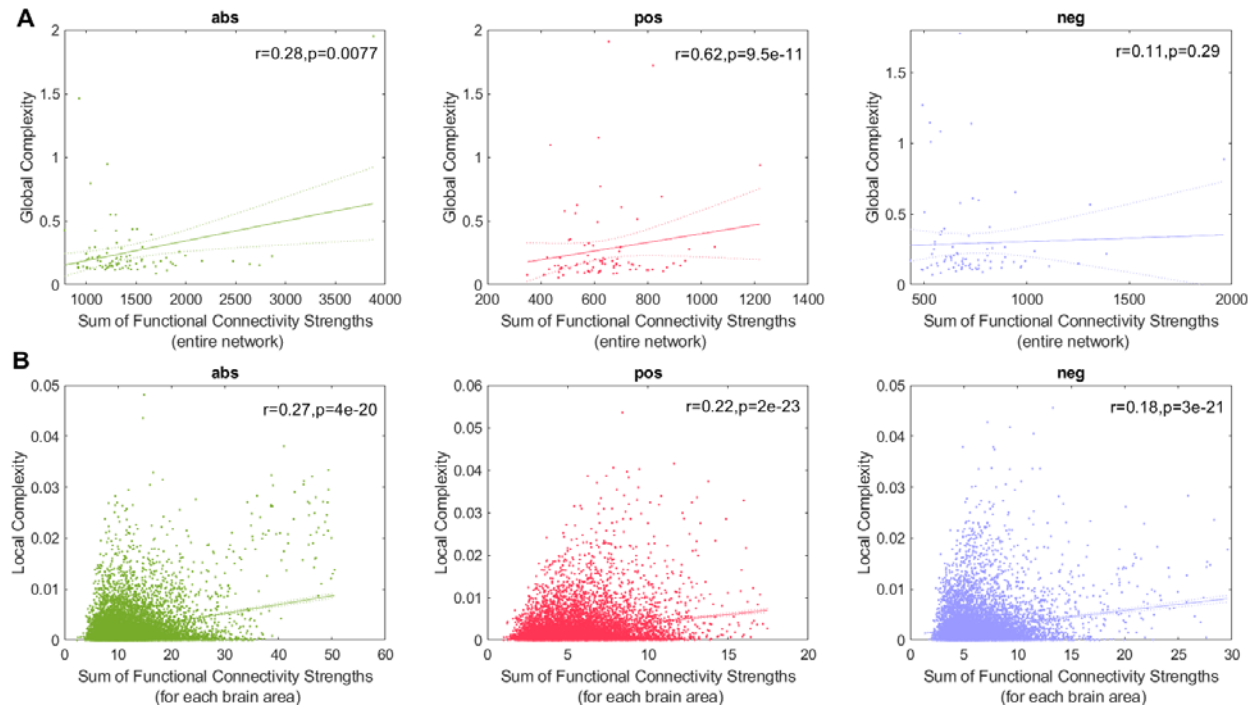
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549 **Figure 4.** Link between Global complexity (A) and local complexities (B) and the sum of
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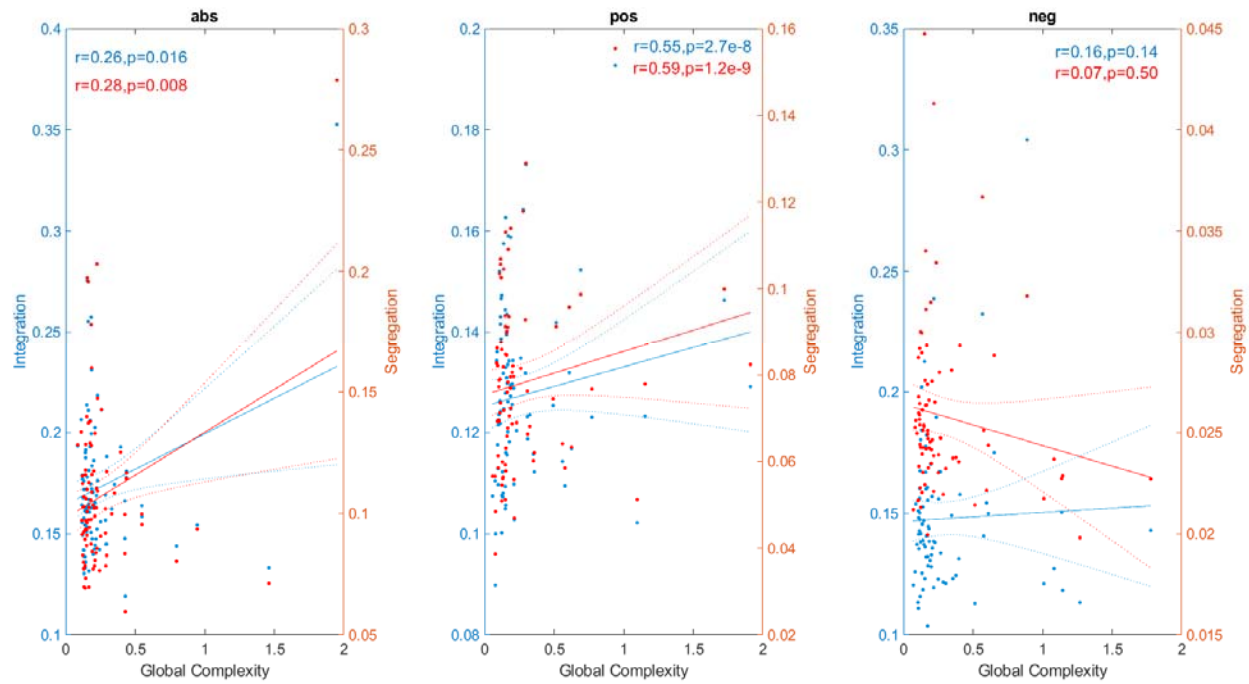
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558 **Figure 5.** Link between global complexity and integration (blue) and segregation (red).

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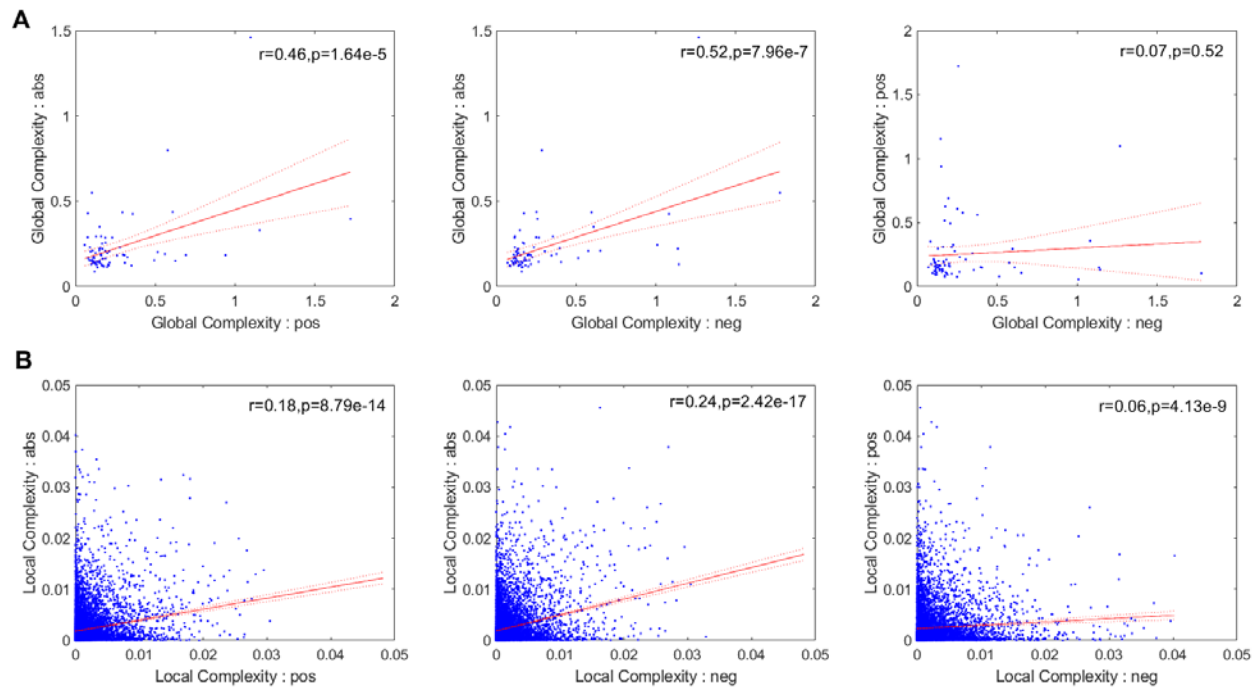
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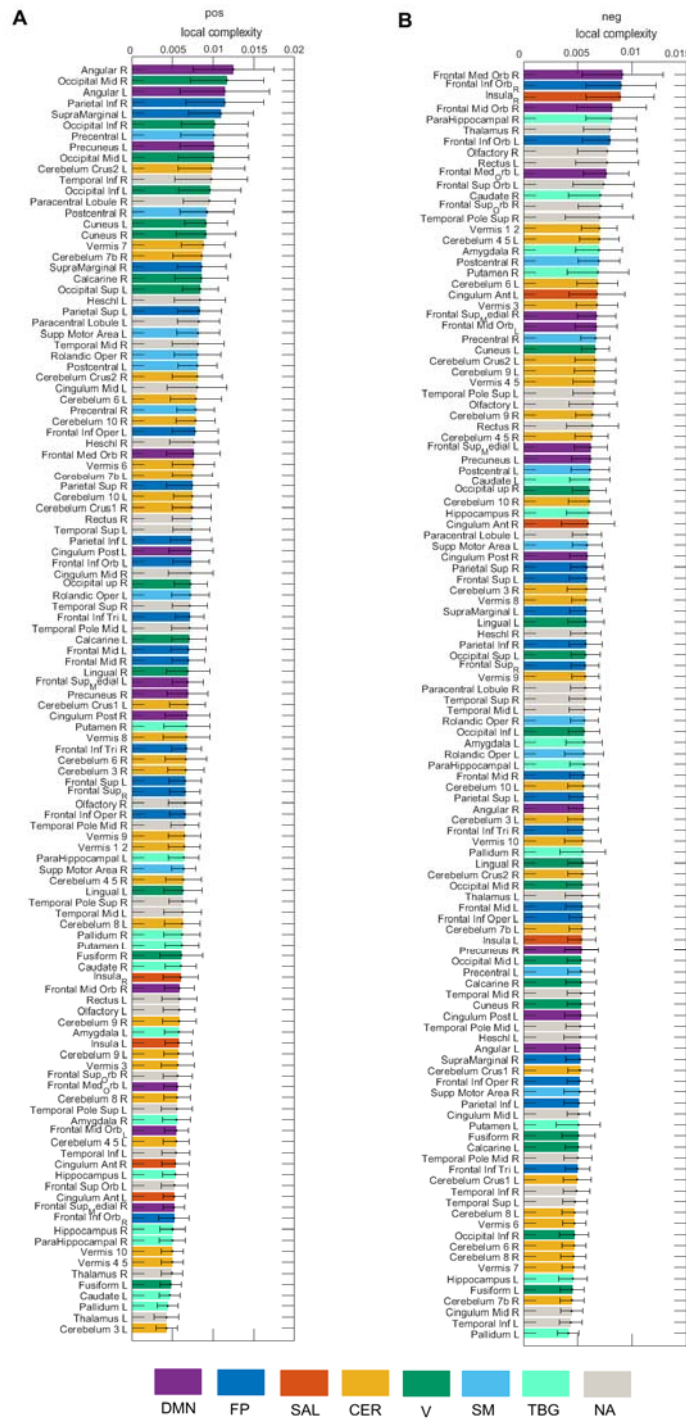
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570 **Figure 6.** Link between the three network types (**abs**, **pos**, and **neg**) at the global (A) and local
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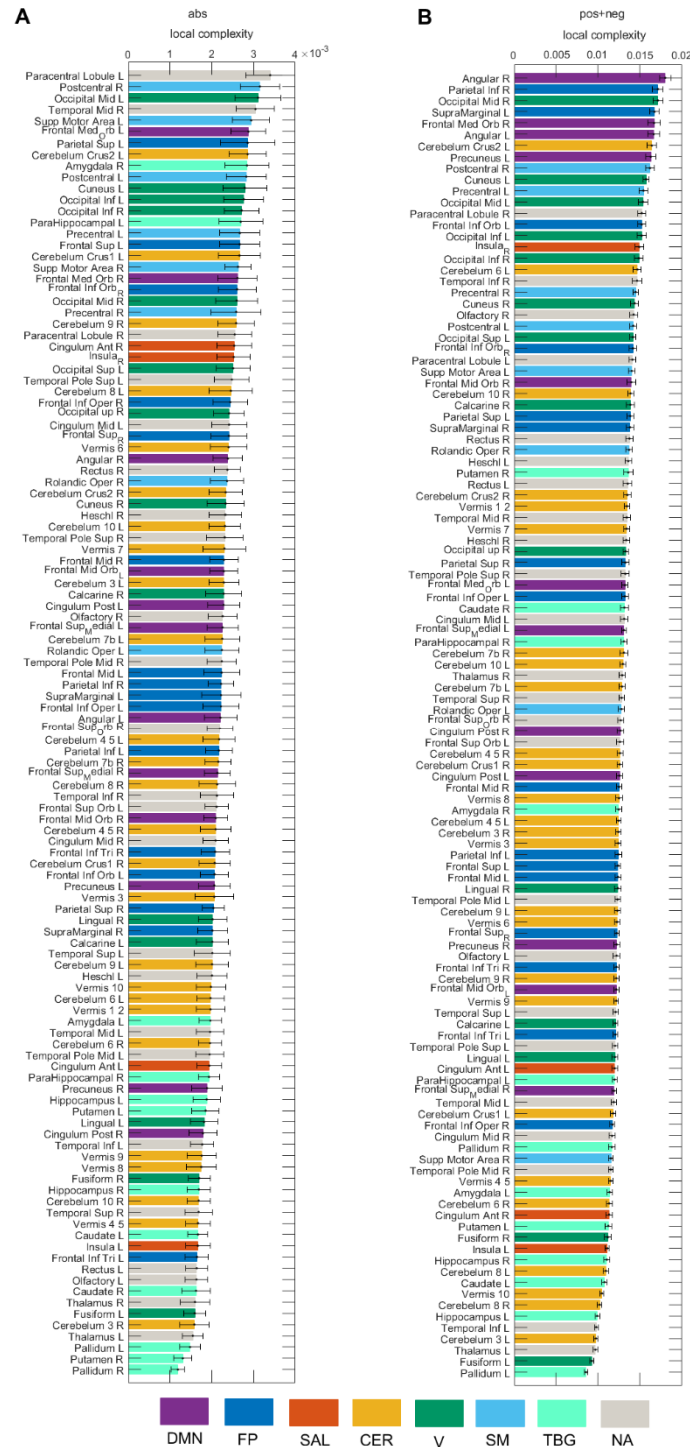
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576 **Figure 7.** Local complexity of the 116 brain areas for the **pos** and **neg** cases. Seven resting-state
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 578 network (DMN), frontoparietal (FP), salience (SAL), sensorimotor (SM), visual (V), cerebellar
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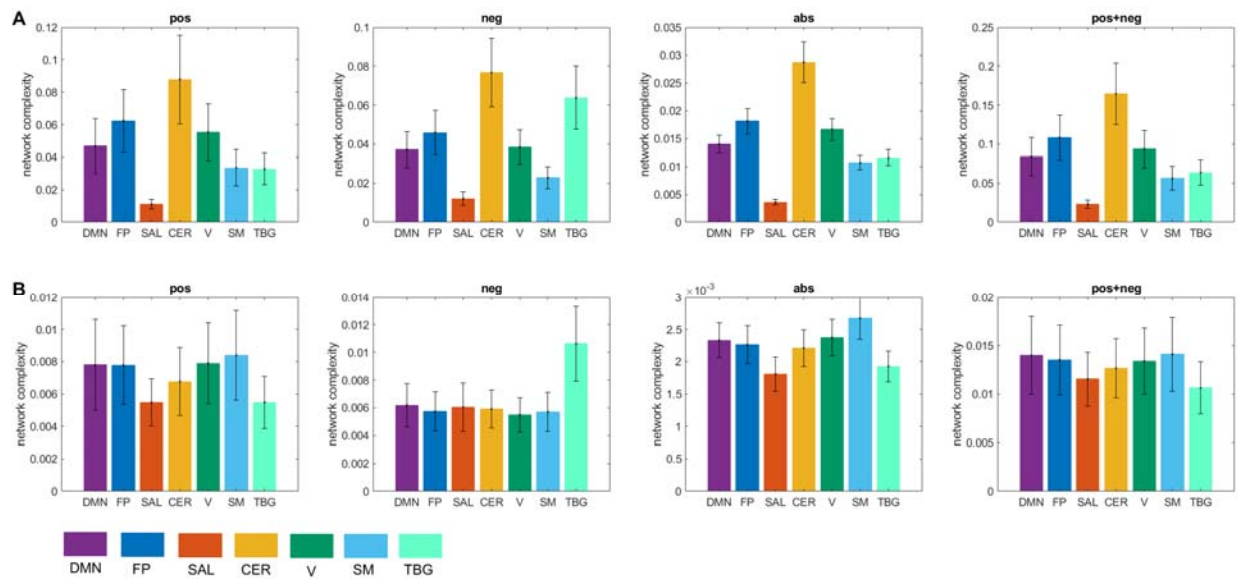
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583 **Figure 8.** Local complexity of the 116 brain areas for the **abs** and **pos+neg** cases. Seven resting-
 584 state networks (see Supplementary Table 1) are represented through different colors: default
 585 mode network (DMN), frontoparietal (FP), salience (SAL), sensorimotor (SM), visual (V),
 586 cerebellar (CER), and temporo-basal-ganglial (TBG) networks. The gray color represents areas
 587 not assigned (NA) to any of these networks.

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592 **Figure 9.** Network complexity. A) Global complexity of seven resting-state networks. B) Global
593 complexity divided by the number of areas in each network. Seven resting-state networks (see
594 Supplementary Table 1) are represented through different colors: default mode network (DMN),
595 frontoparietal (FP), salience (SAL), sensorimotor (SM), visual (V), cerebellar (CER), and
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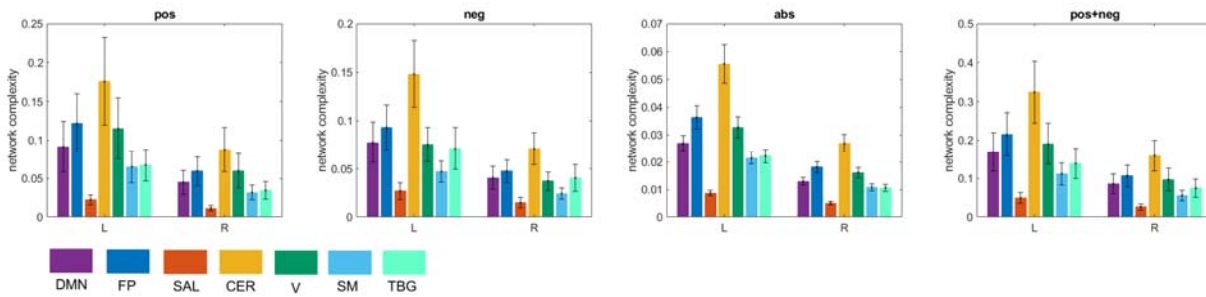
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611 **Figure 10.** Interhemispheric asymmetry of global complexity. L- left hemisphere, R- right
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613 different colors: default mode network (DMN), frontoparietal (FP), salience (SAL), sensorimotor
614 (SM), visual (V), cerebellar (CER), and temporo-basal-ganglial (TBG) networks. The gray color
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630 **Supplementary Material**

631 Table S1. Resting-state networks

Network	Areas
Default mode network (DMN)	Frontal_Mid_Orb_L, Frontal_Mid_Orb_R Frontal_Sup_Medial_L, Frontal_Sup_Medial_R Frontal_Med_Orb_L, Frontal_Med_Orb_R Cingulum_Post_L, Cingulum_Post_R Angular_L, Angular_R Precuneus_L, Precuneus_R
Frontoparietal (FP)	Frontal_Sup_L, Frontal_Sup_R Frontal_Mid_L, Frontal_Mid_R Frontal_Inf_Oper_L, Frontal_Inf_Oper_R Frontal_Inf_Tri_L, Frontal_Inf_Tri_R Frontal_Inf_Orb_L, Frontal_Inf_Orb_R Parietal_Sup_L, Parietal_Sup_R Parietal_Inf_L, Parietal_Inf_R SupraMarginal_L, SupraMarginal_R
Saliency (SAL)	Insula_L, Insula_R Cingulum_Ant_L, Cingulum_Ant_R
Sensorimotor (SM)	Precentral_L, Precentral_R Rolandic_Oper_L, Rolandic_Oper_R Postcentral_L, Postcentral_R Supp_Motor_Area_L, Supp_Motor_Area_R
Visual (V)	Calcarine_L, Calcarine_R Cuneus_L, Cuneus_R Lingual_L, Lingual_R Occipital_Sup_L, Occipital_Sup_R Occipital_Mid_L, Occipital_Mid_R Occipital_Inf_L, Occipital_Inf_R Fusiform_L, Fusiform_R
Cerebellar (CER)	Cerebelum_Crus1_L, Cerebelum_Crus1_R Cerebelum_Crus2_L, Cerebelum_Crus2_R Cerebelum_3_L, Cerebelum_3_R Cerebelum_4_5_L, Cerebelum_4_5_R Cerebelum_6_L, Cerebelum_6_R Cerebelum_7b_L, Cerebelum_7b_R Cerebelum_8_L, Cerebelum_8_R Cerebelum_9_L, Cerebelum_9_R Cerebelum_10_L, Cerebelum_10_R Vermis_1_2, Vermis_3, Vermis_4_5, Vermis_6 Vermis_7, Vermis_8, Vermis_9, Vermis_10
Temporo-basal-ganglial (TBG)	Hippocampus_L, Hippocampus_R ParaHippocampal_L, ParaHippocampal_R Amygdala_L, Amygdala_R, Caudate_L, Caudate_R Putamen_L, Putamen_R Pallidum_L, Pallidum_R

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