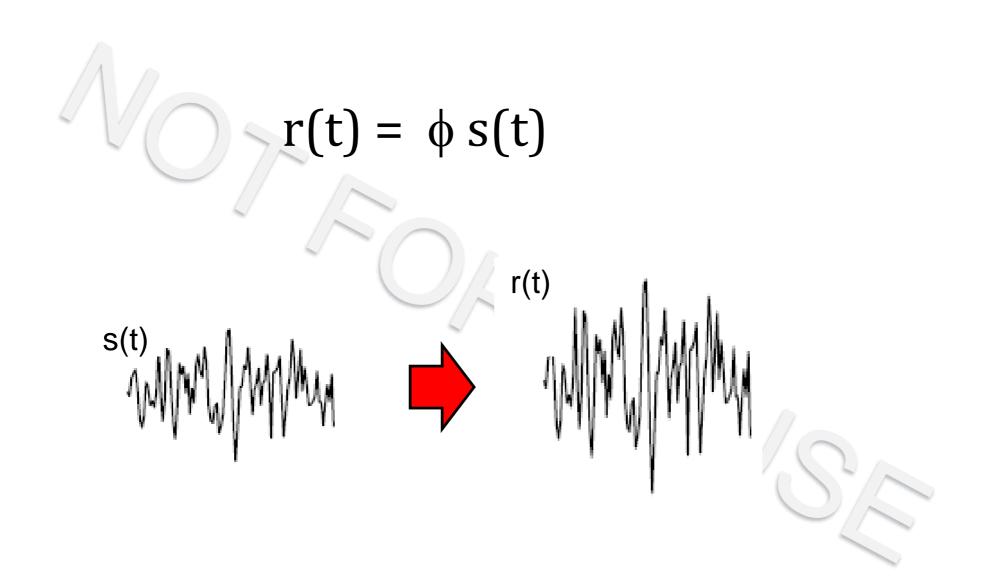
## Constructing response models

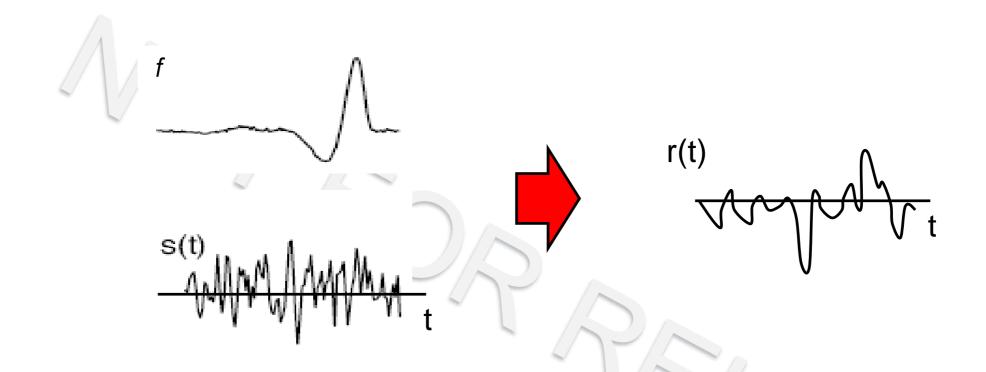
P(response | stimulus)  $\rightarrow$  r(t) given a stimulus s

P(response | stimulus)

## Basic coding model: linear response



# Basic coding model: temporal filtering

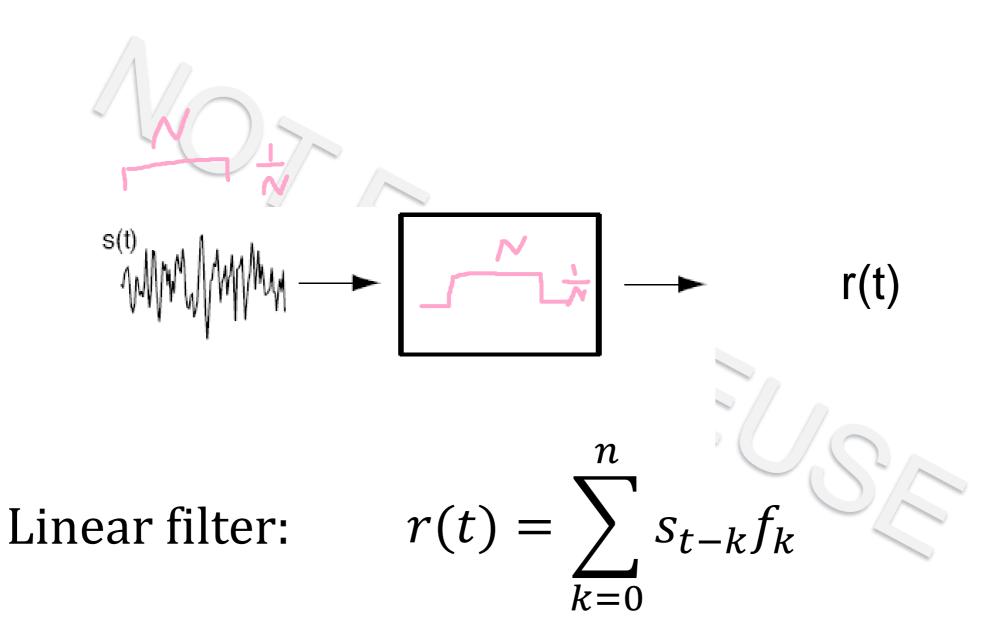


Linear filter:

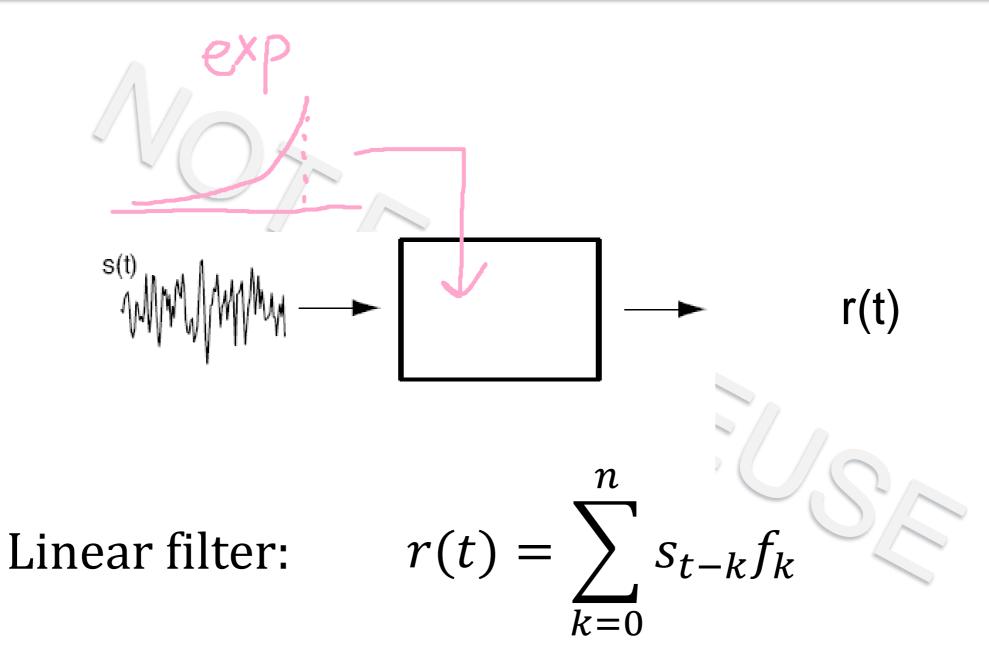
$$r(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} s_{t-k} f_k$$

$$r(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{t} d\tau \, s(t - \tau) f(\tau)$$

## Example I: running average



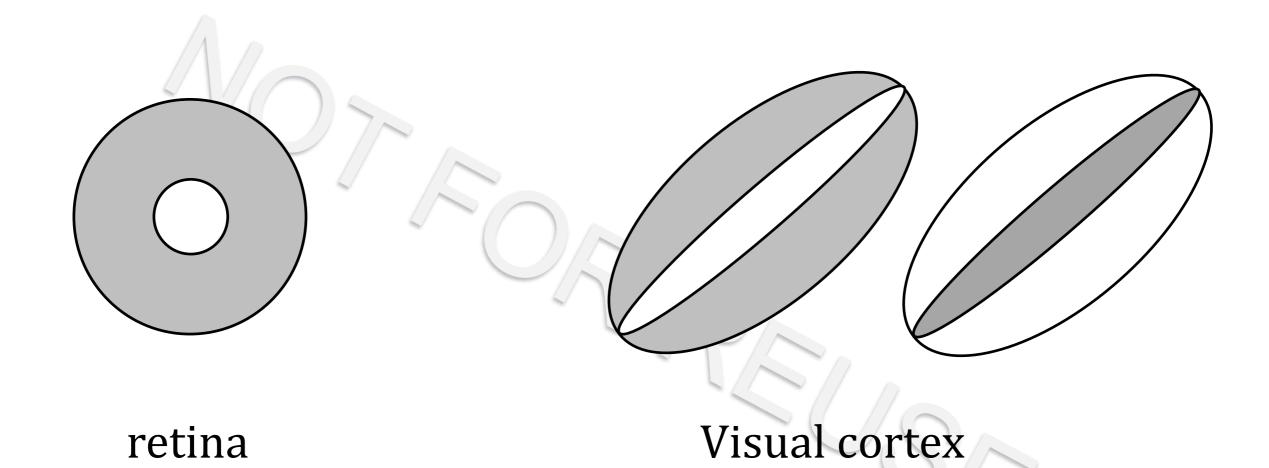
# Example II: leaky average



# Basic coding model: spatial filtering



# Basic coding model: spatial filtering



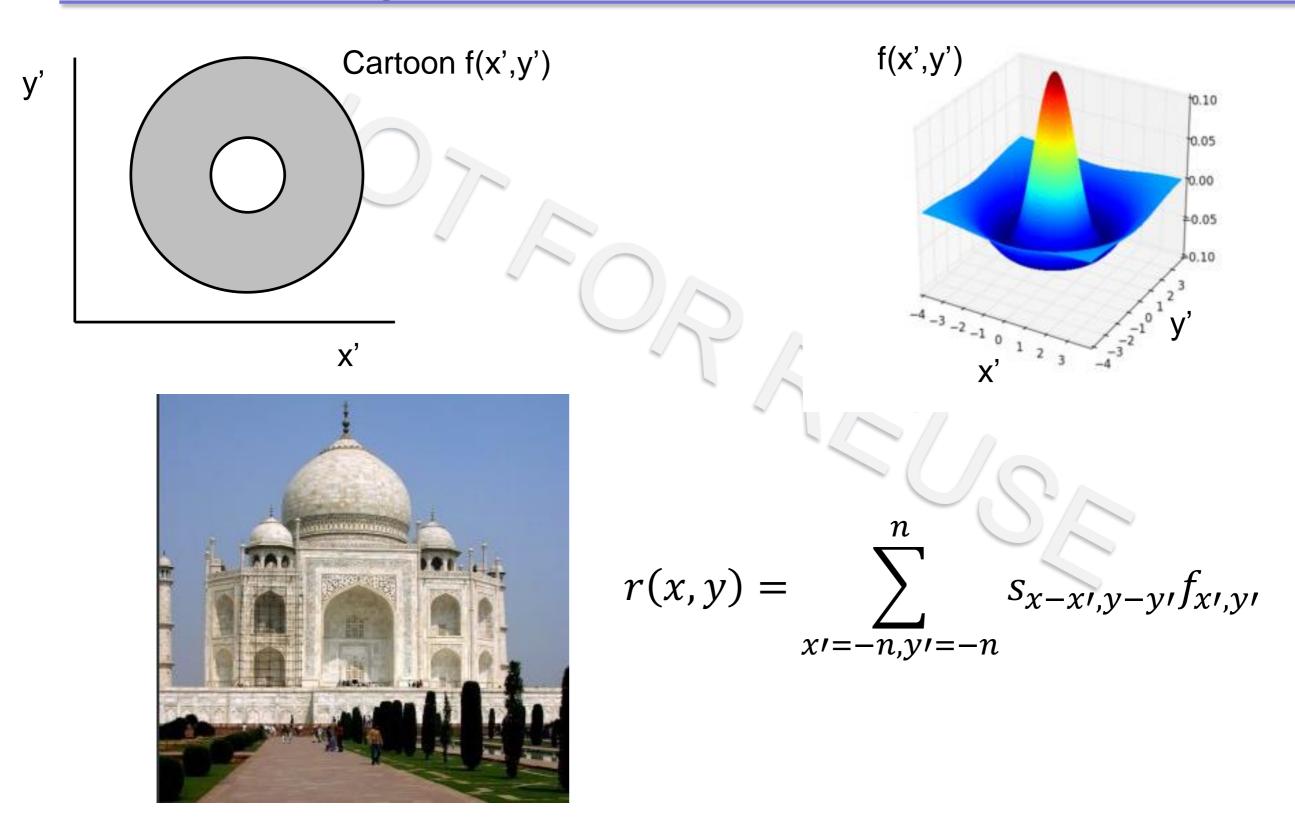
## Basic coding model: spatial filtering

$$r(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} s_{t-k} f_k$$
 Temporal filter

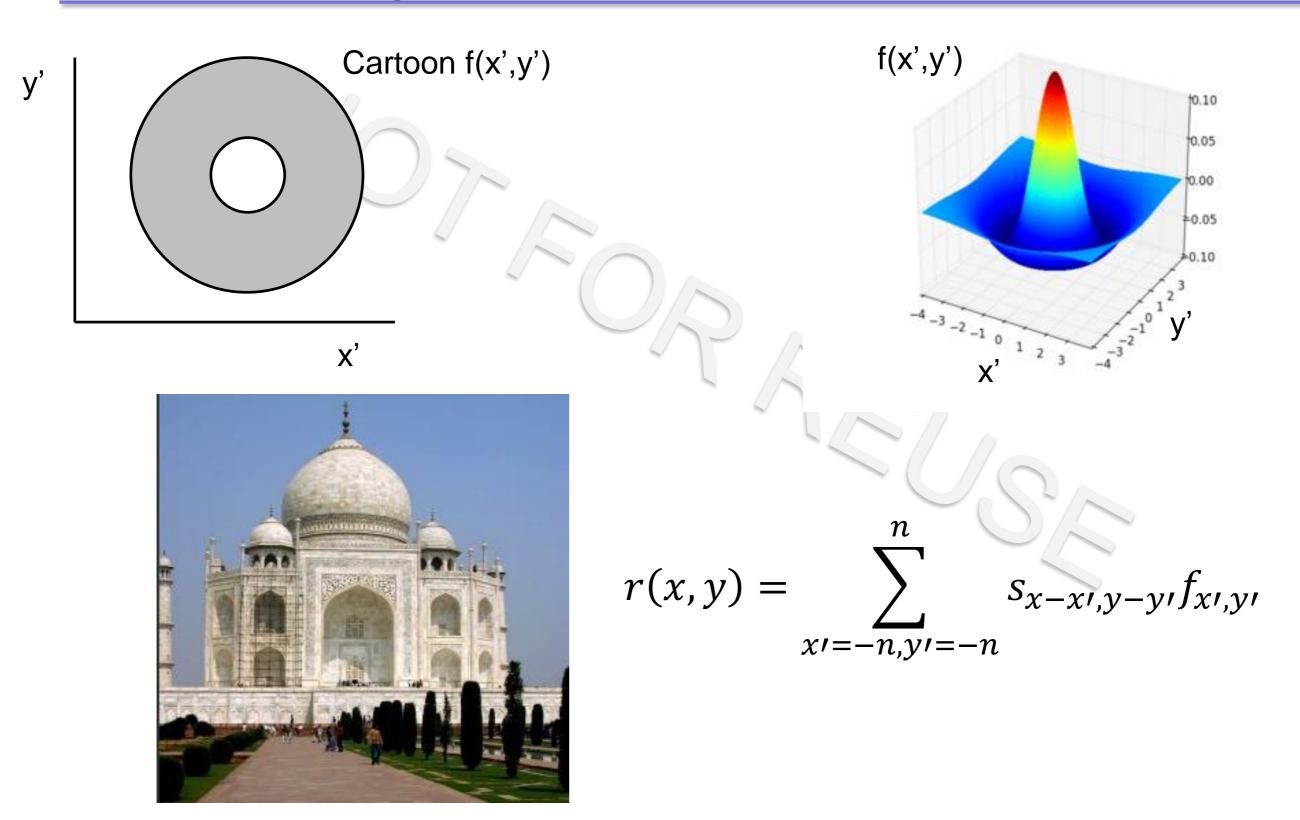
$$r(x,y) = \sum_{x'=-n,y'=-n}^{n} s_{x-x',y-y'} f_{x',y'}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx' dy' \, s(x-x',y-y') f(x',y')$$

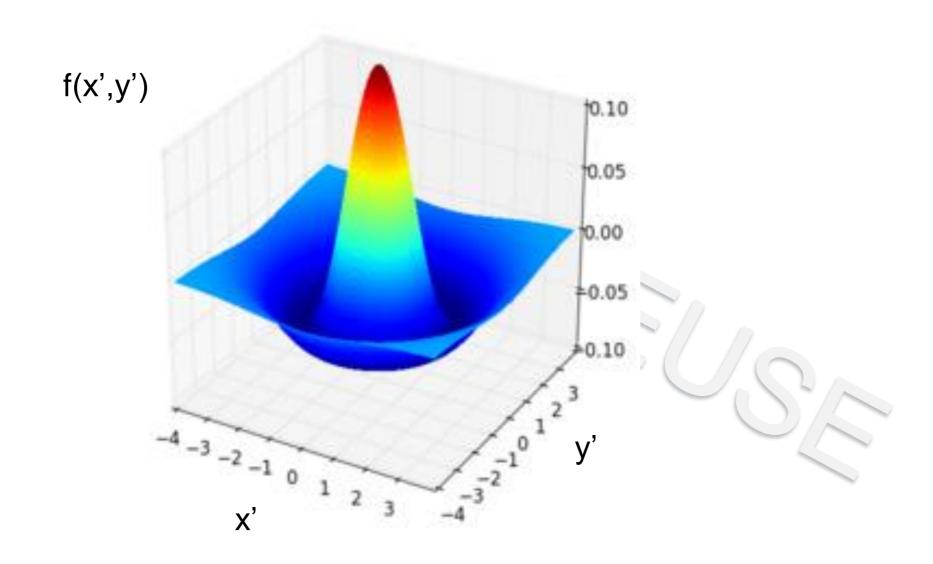
## Spatial filtering and retinal receptive fields



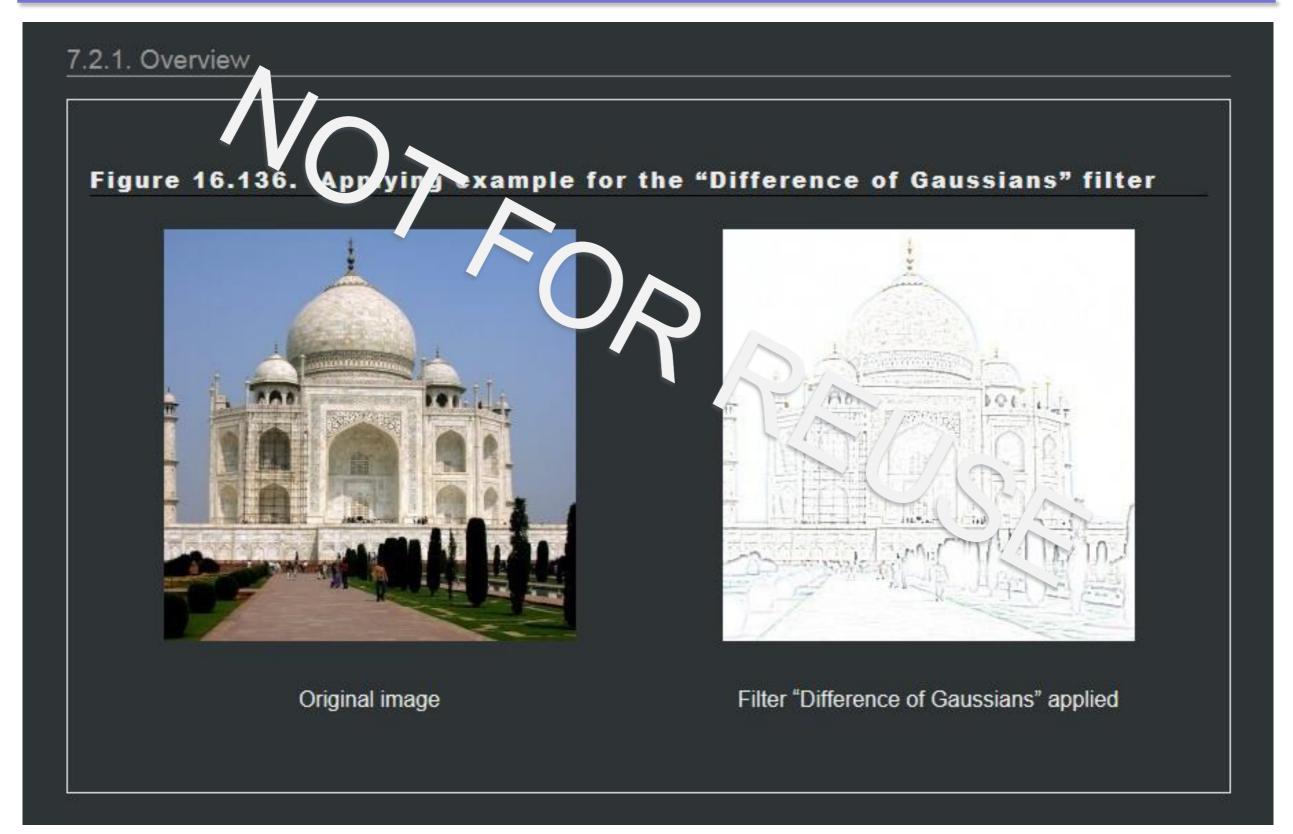
## Spatial filtering and receptive fields



# Spatial filtering and receptive fields

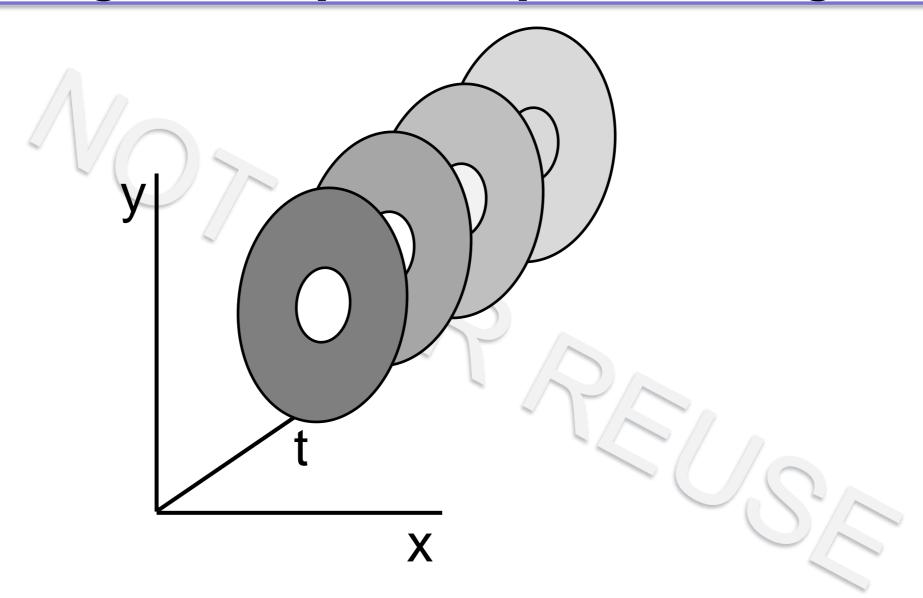


# Spatial filtering



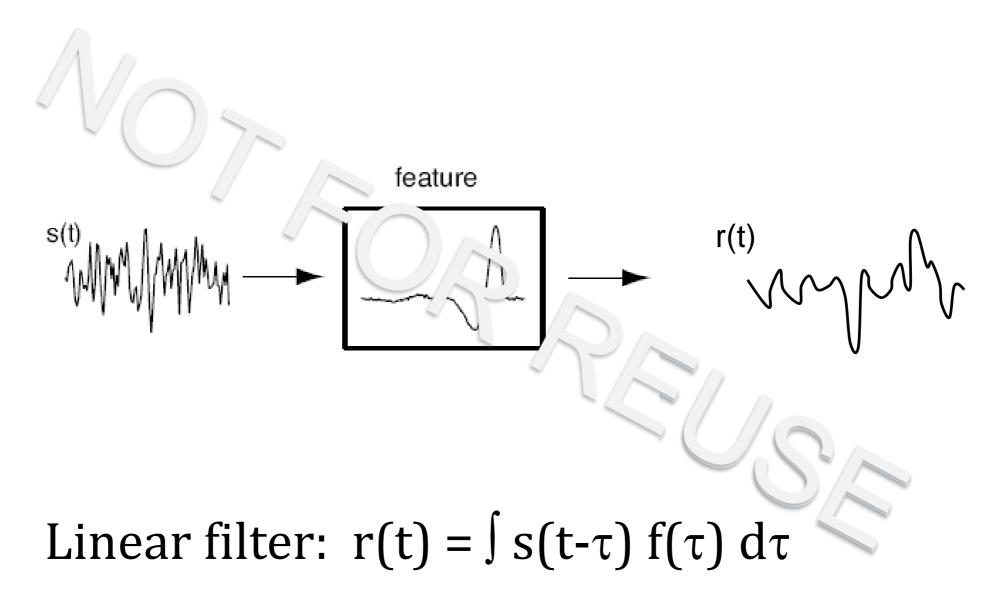
http://docs.gimp.org/2.6/en/plug-in-dog.html

## Basic coding model: spatiotemporal filtering



$$r_{x,y}(t) = \iiint dx' dy' d\tau f(x',y',\tau) s(x-x',y-y',t-\tau)$$

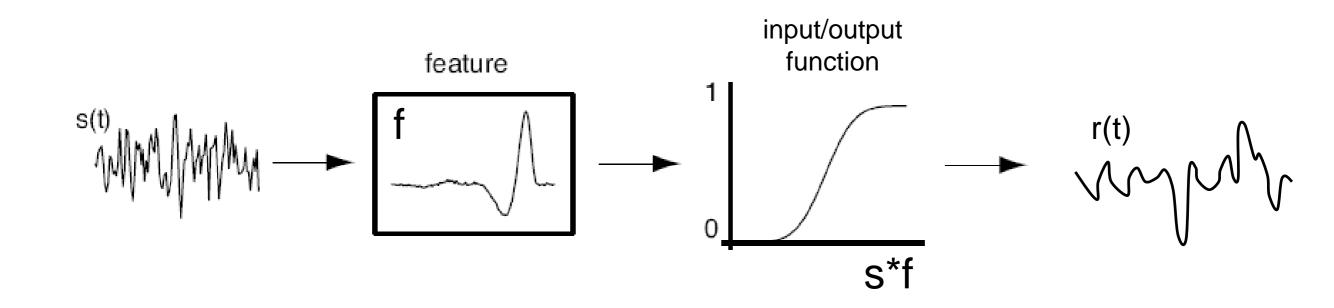
## Basic coding model: temporal filtering



Can firing rates be negative? Can they increase indefinitely as the input increases? Both of those are a possible result from a linear filtering operation like this.

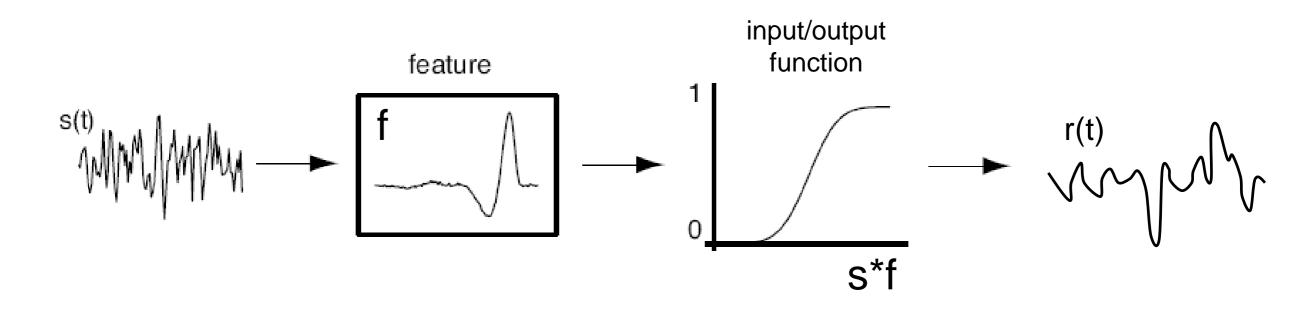
...shortcomings?

## Next most basic coding model



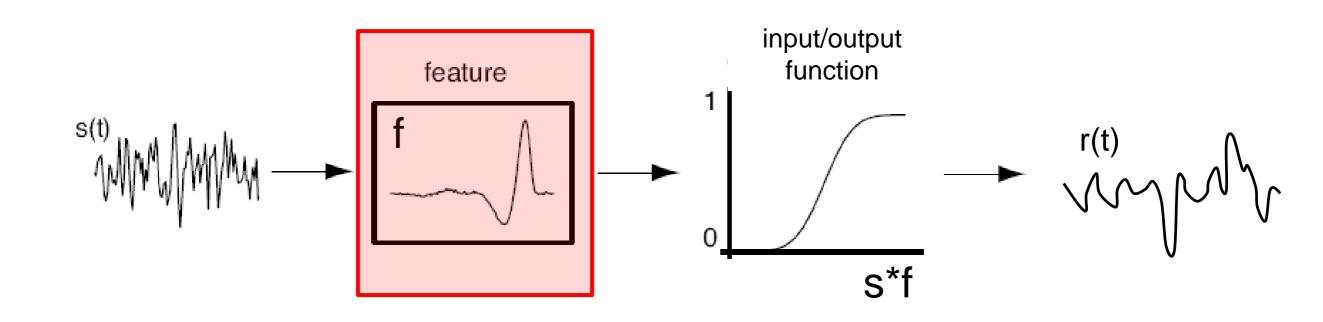
Linear filter & nonlinearity:  $r(t) = g(\int s(t-\tau) f(\tau) d\tau)$ 

# How to find the components of this model





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P(response | stimulus)

Our problem is one of dimensionality!

Time points × pixels = 非常多的维度 导致没法sample出整个distribution 所以我们只能降维

We want to sample the responses of the system to many stimuli so we can characterize what it is about the input that triggers responses.

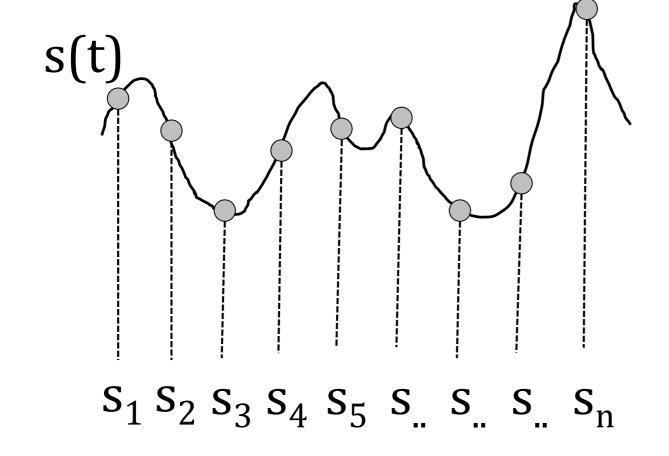
P(response | stimulus)  $\rightarrow$  P(response |  $s_1$ )

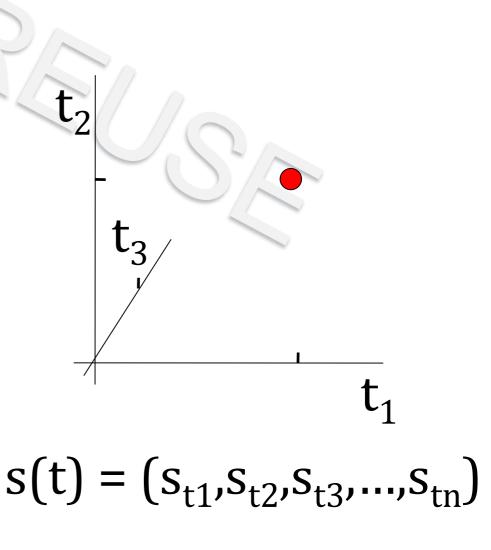
## Dimensionality reduction

我们想知道s是什么。我们可以用s随着时间的概率分布来刻画它。但是我们不知道s随着时间的概率分布,所以我们通过采 样不同时间的刺激,来刻画这个刺激s。 Start with a very high dimensional description (eg. an image or a time-varying waveform) and pick out a small set of relevant dimensions.

这里对不同时间的刺激s进行采样,得到了的刺激在不同时间的特征。 We discretize a stimulus waveform in time, we can represent it as a vector in some vector space.

The dimensionality of this vector space is the number of points used in the discretization.





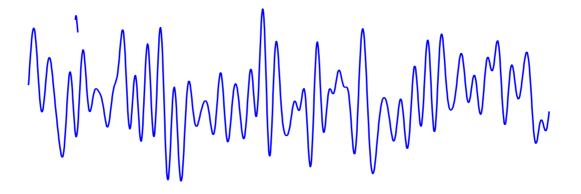
## What is the right stimulus to use?

We want to sample the responses of the system to a variety of stimuli so we can characterize what it is about the input that triggers responses.

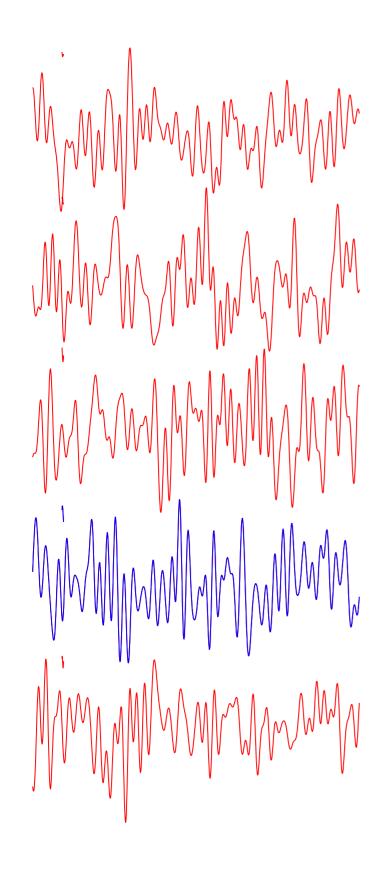
P(response | stimulus)  $\rightarrow$  P(response |  $s_{1}$ ,  $s_{2}$ , ...,  $s_{n}$ )

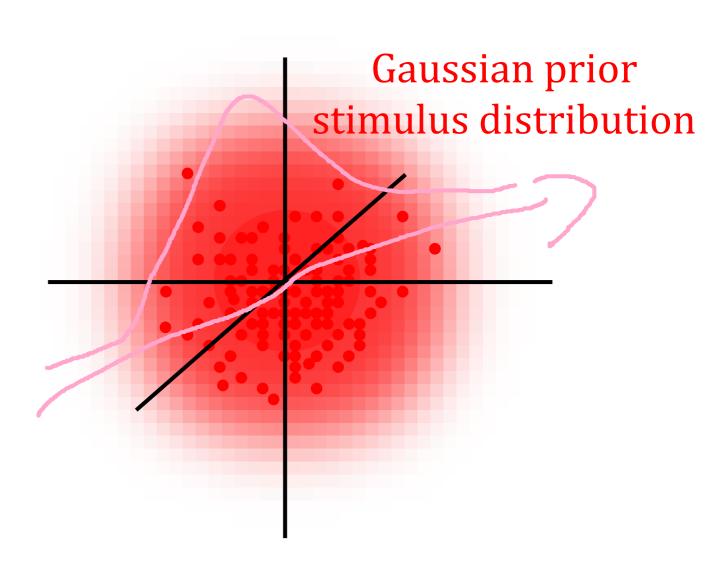
One common and useful method is to use

Gaussian white noise

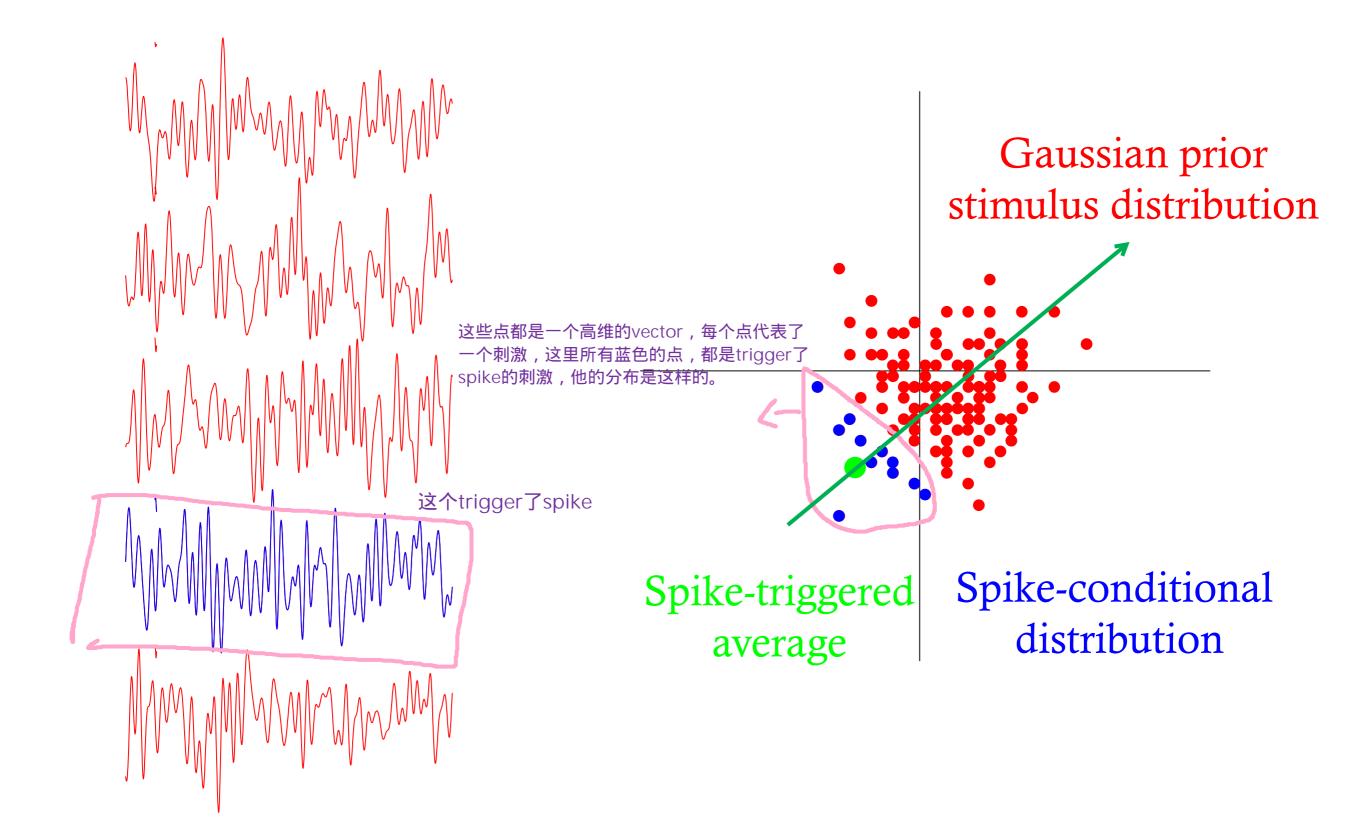


# Determining multiple features from white noise

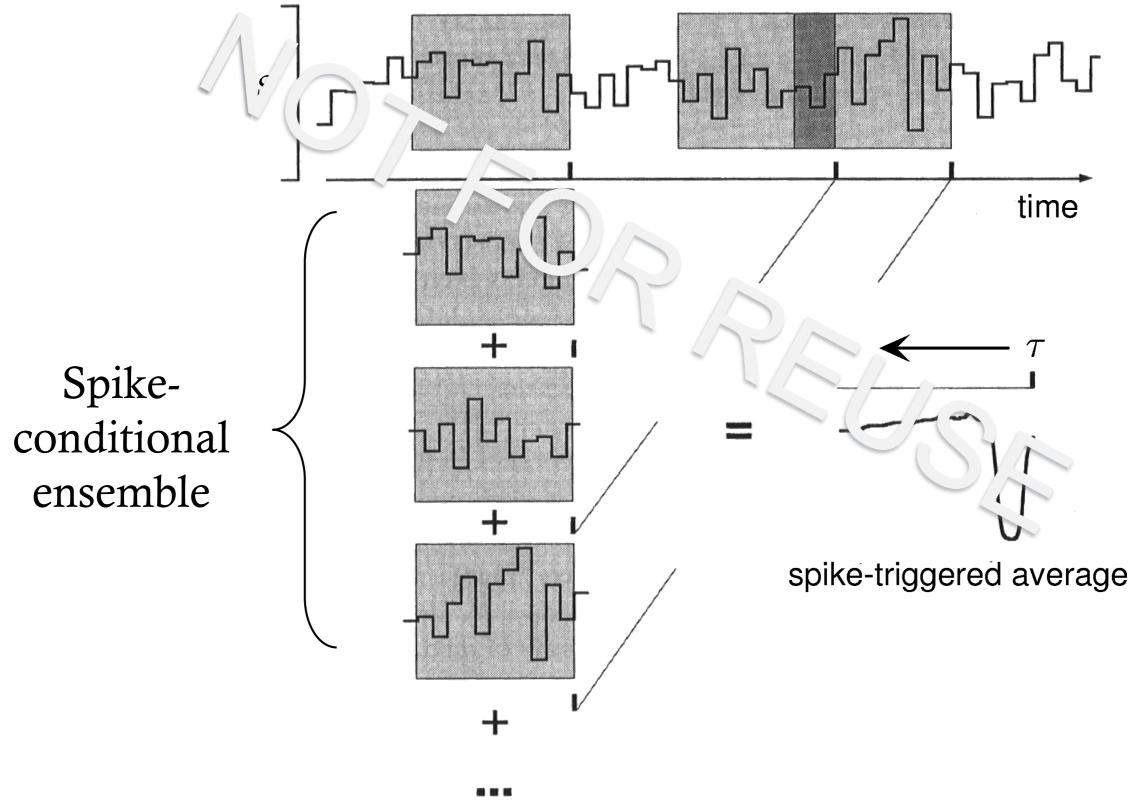




## Determining linear features from white noise

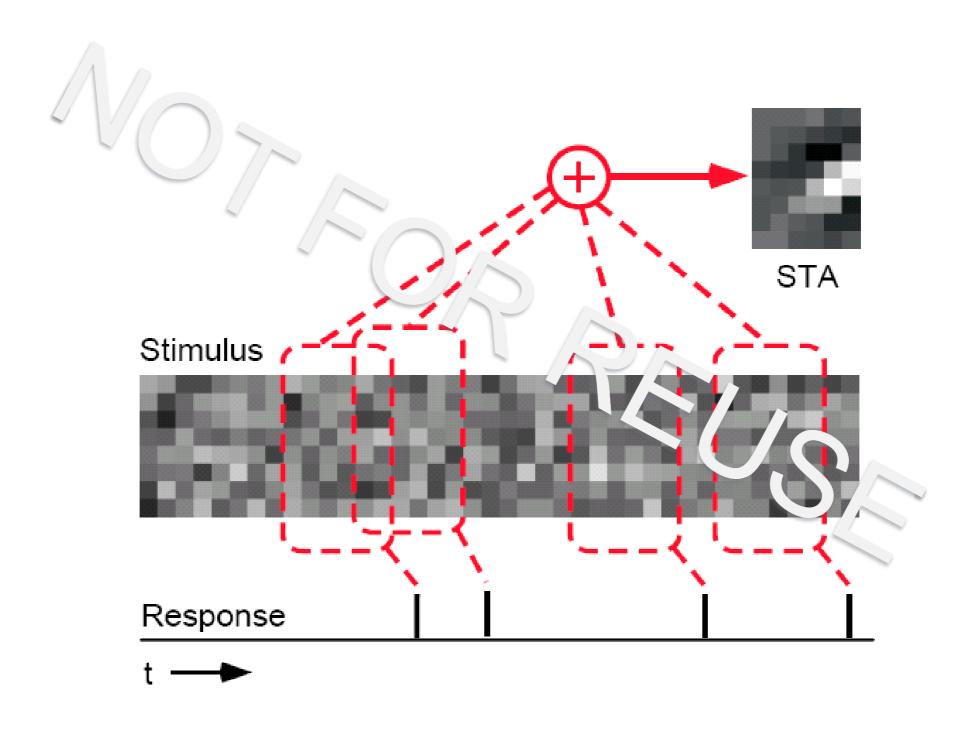


## Reverse correlation: the spike-triggered average



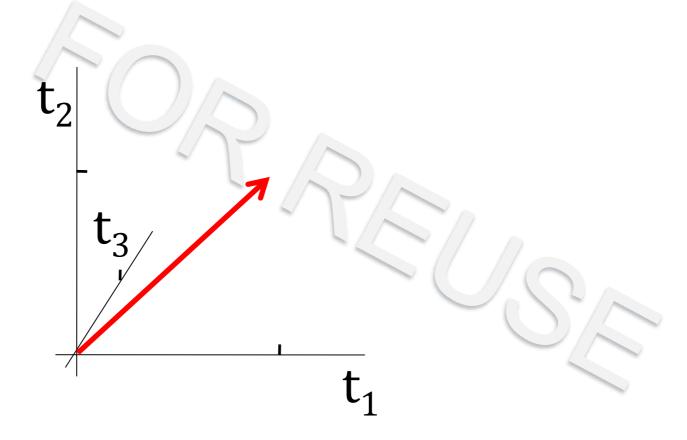
Dayan and Abbott, Theoretical Neuroscience

# The spike-triggered average



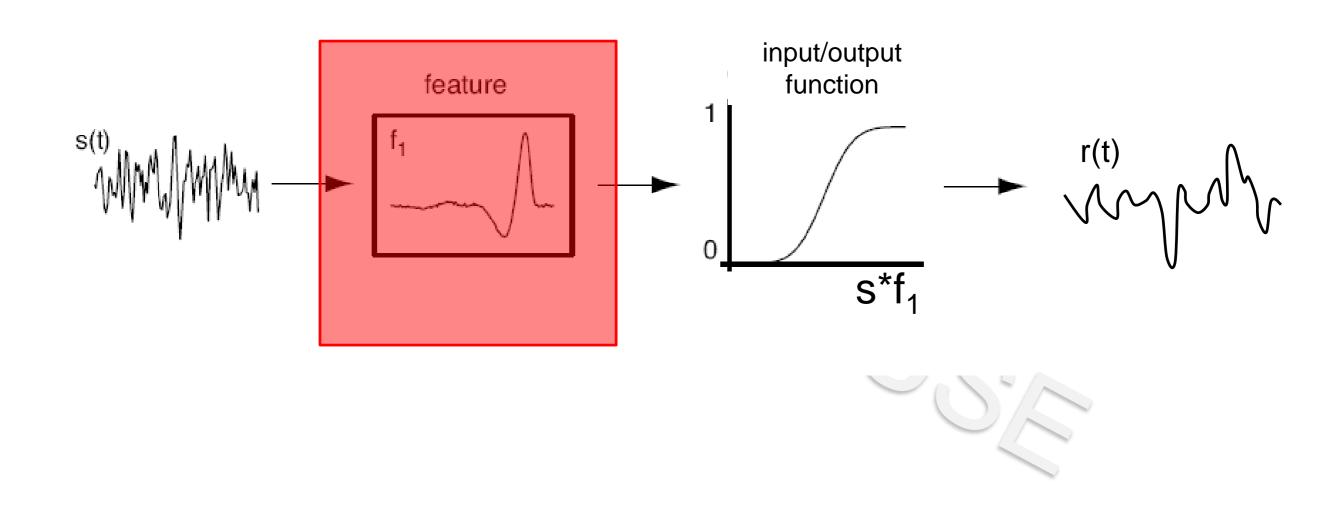
## Linear filtering

Stimulus feature f is a vector in a high-dimensional stimulus space



Linear filtering = convolution = projection

# How to find the components of this model



### Determining the nonlinear input/output function

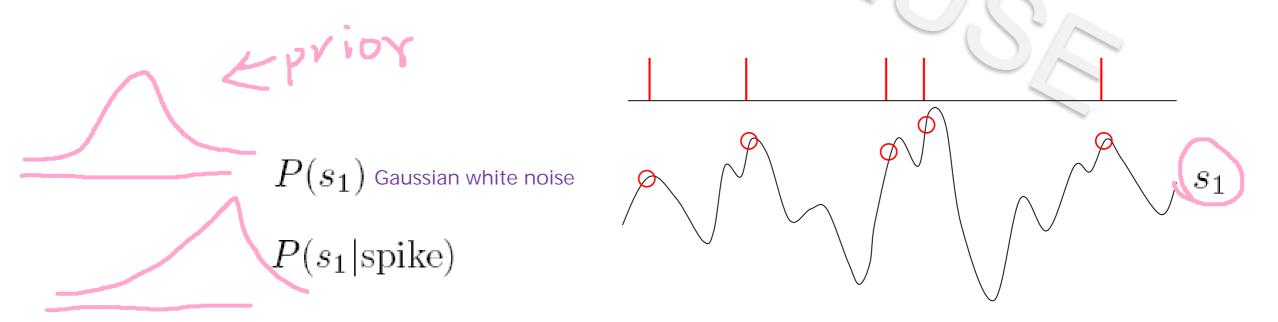
The input/output function is:

$$P(\text{spike}|\text{stimulus}) \longrightarrow P(\text{spike}|s_1)$$

This can be found from data using Bayes' rule:

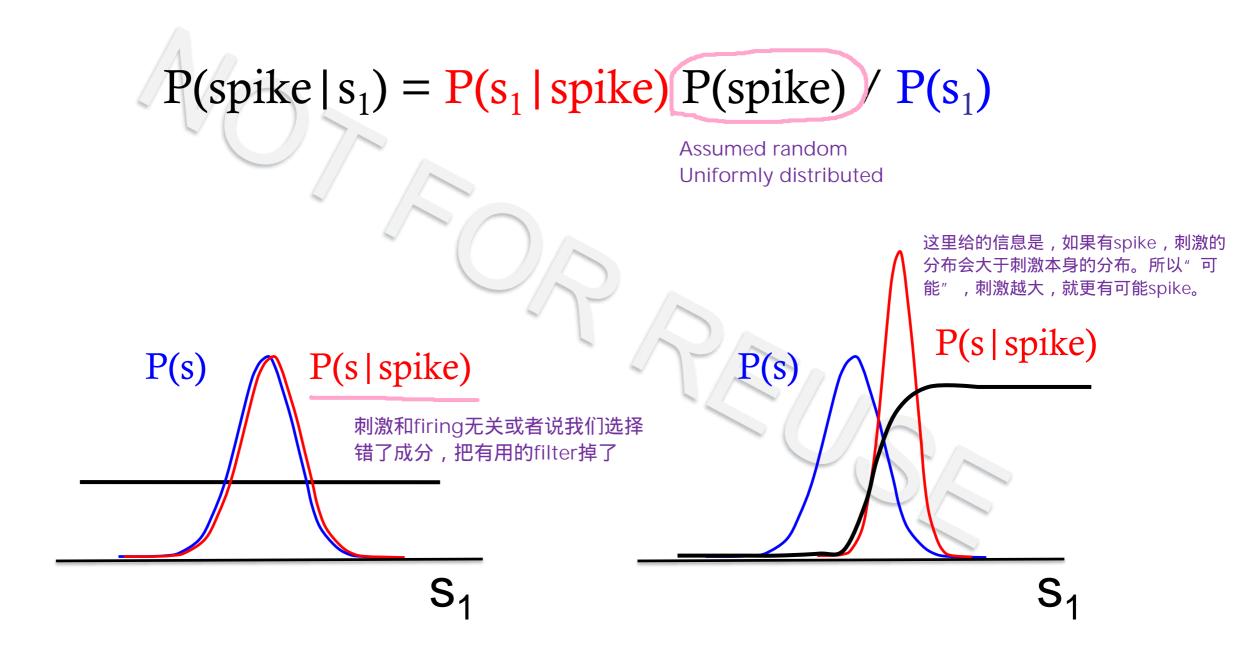
spike-conditional distribution

$$P( ext{spike}|s_1) = rac{P(s_1| ext{spike})P( ext{spike})}{P(s_1)}$$
 prior

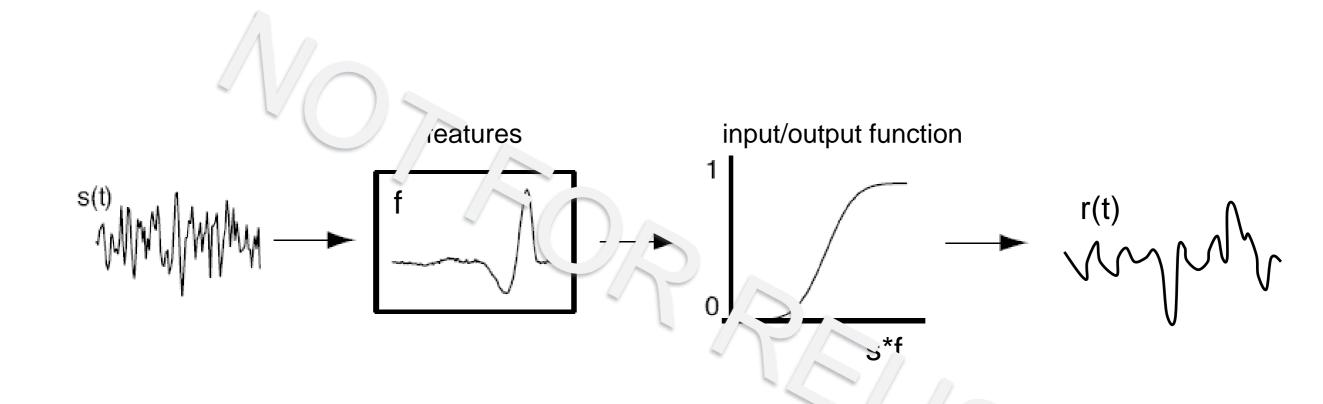


Given spike, s1会比较大。 换句话说就是有spike的刺激曲线会比没有spike的值更大。

## Nonlinear input/output function



## Linear/nonlinear models



Linear filter & nonlinearity:  $r(t) = g(\int f(t-\tau) s(\tau) dt)$ 

### High-dimensional feature selection



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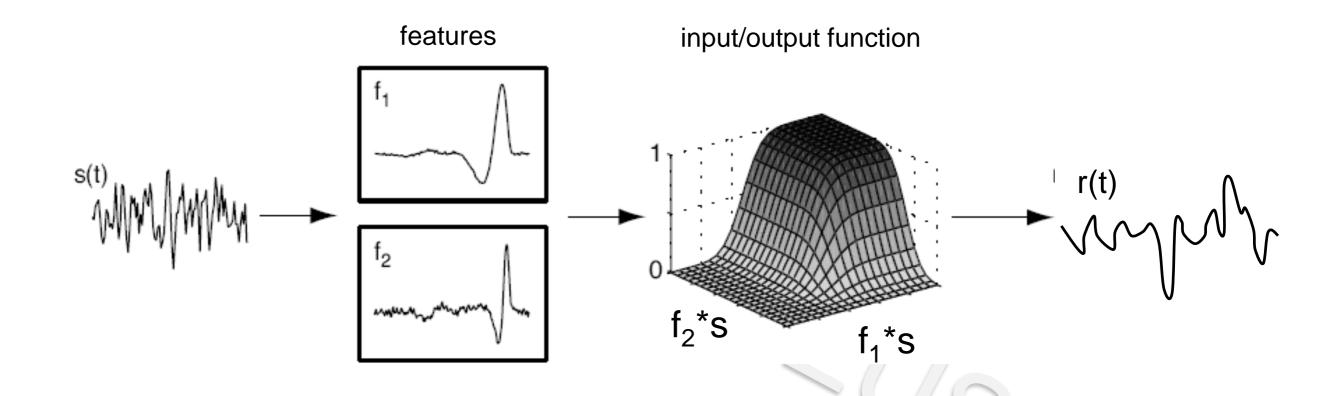
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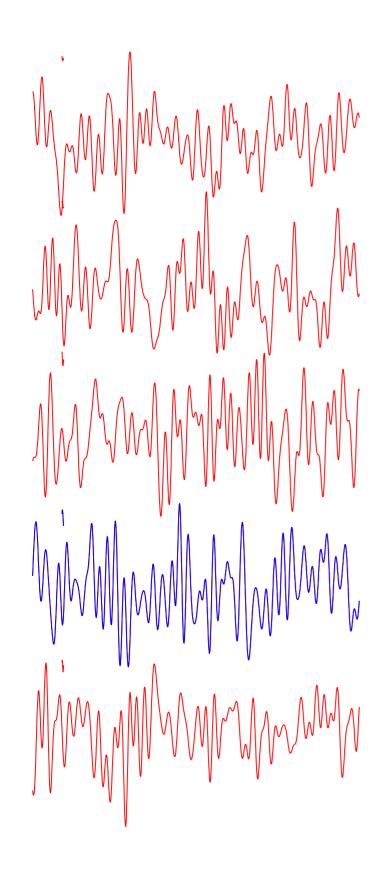
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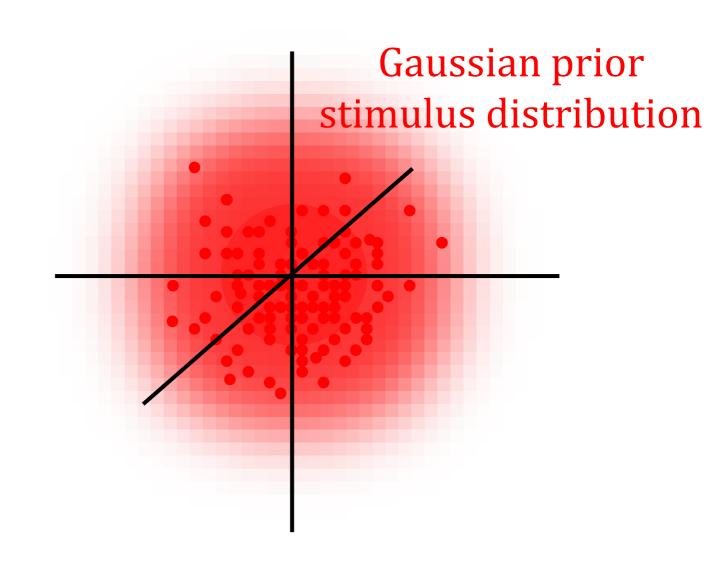
### Less basic coding models



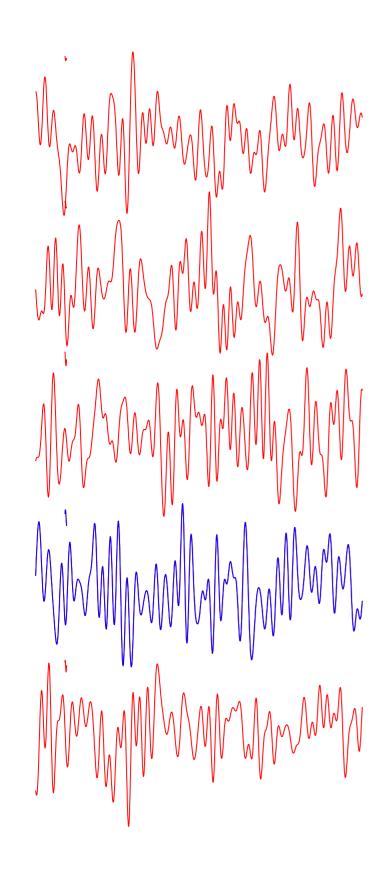
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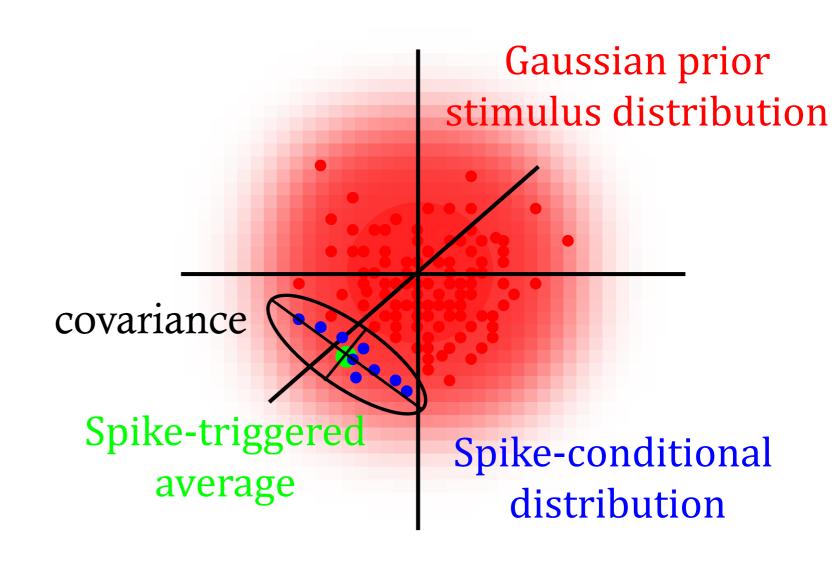
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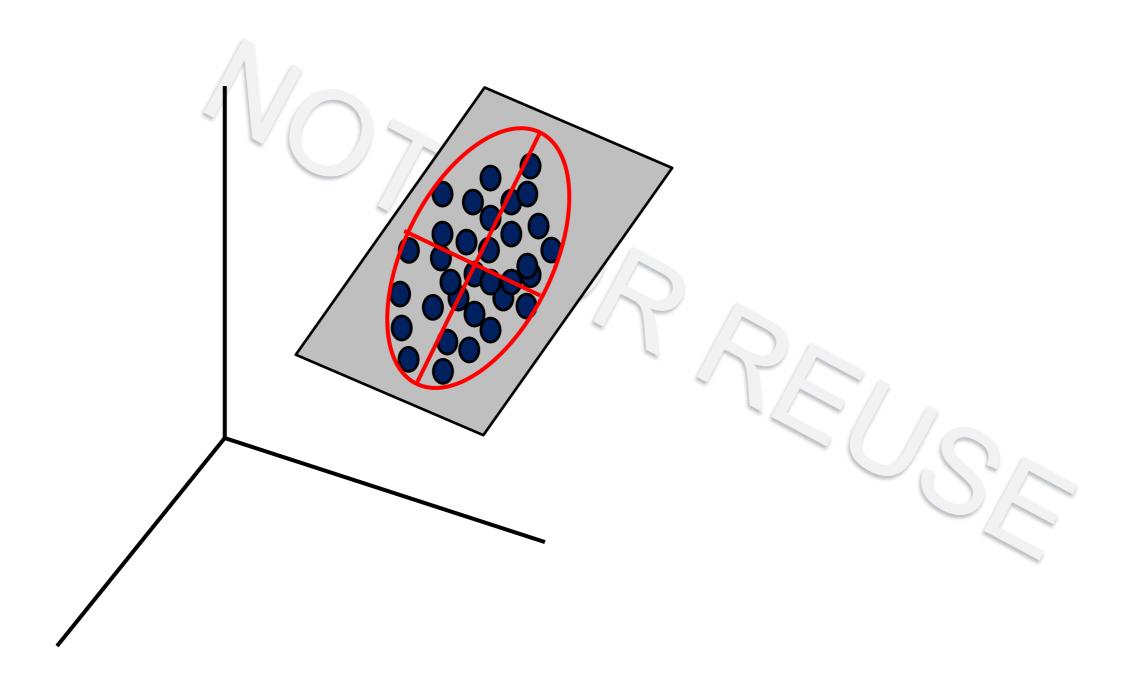


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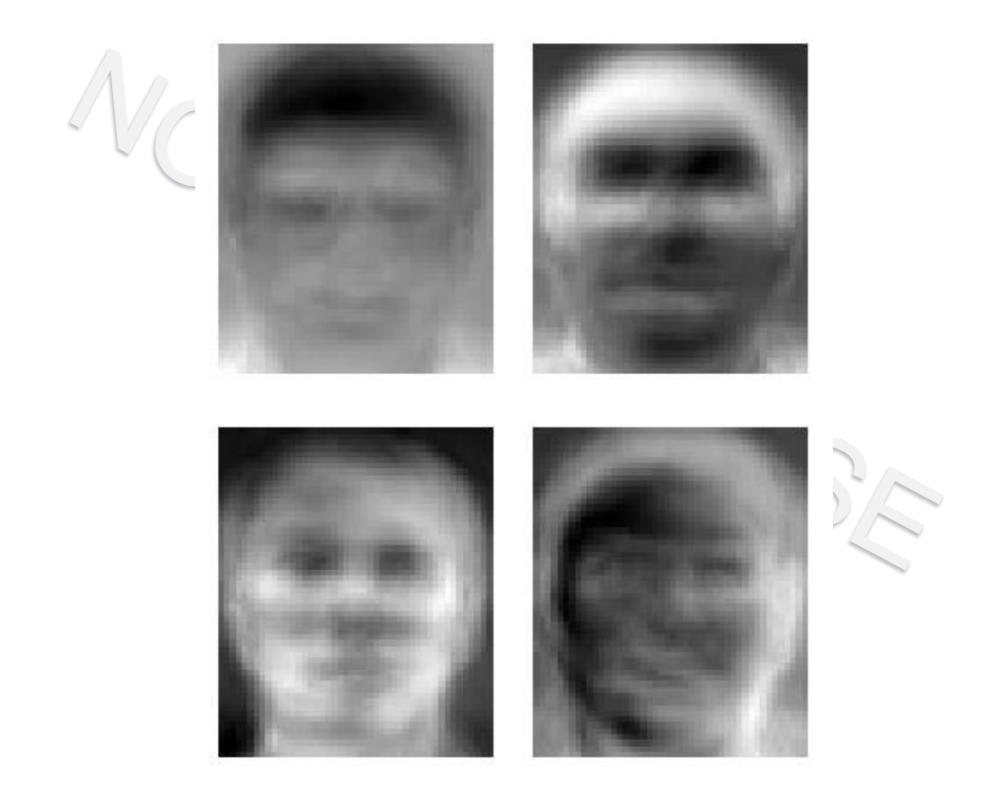




# Principal component analysis

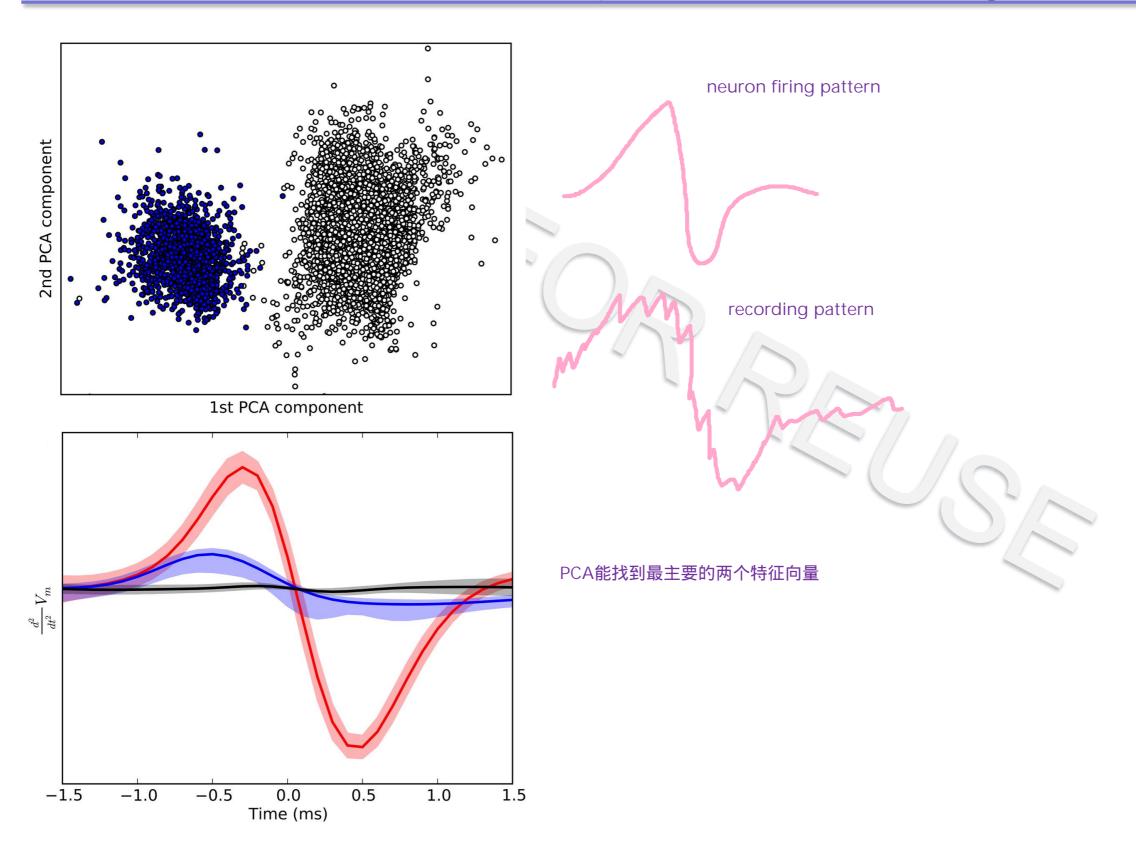


# Principal component analysis: eigenfaces



ATT Labs, Cambridge (via Wikipedia)

# Principal component analysis: spike sorting



Koepsell et al., Front. Syst. Neurosci., 2009

#### Finding interesting features in the retina

