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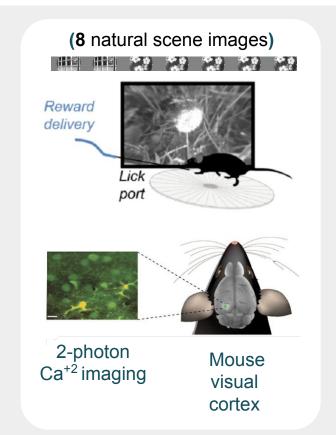
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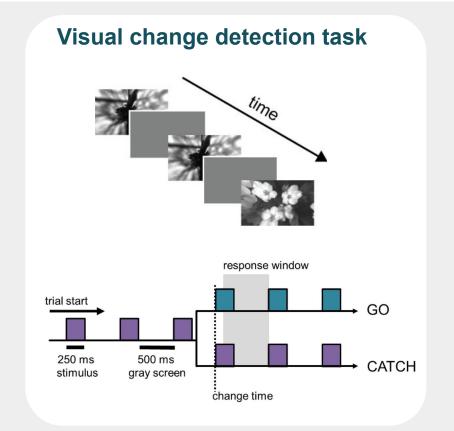
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Phenomenon



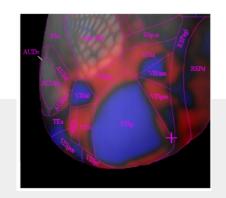


Question

It is shown that excitatory **SLC** cells in the visual cortex are image selective.

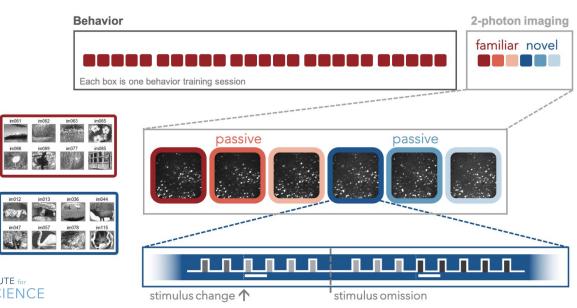
(Garrett, Manavi, et al, 2020)

- Do inhibitory neurons of visual cortex (VIP and SST) carry information about the identity of visual stimuli?
- Which neurons encode visual change?



Data

- Three visual cell types: SST inhibitory (N=7), VIP inhibitory (N=5), SLC excitatory (N=5)
- Two-photon calcium imaging (neural activity = fluorescence change, dF/F)
 - Mean baseline-corrected activity
 - o Full time-series [-150, 750] ms
- Familiar images only
- Active and passive viewing





Decoding image identity





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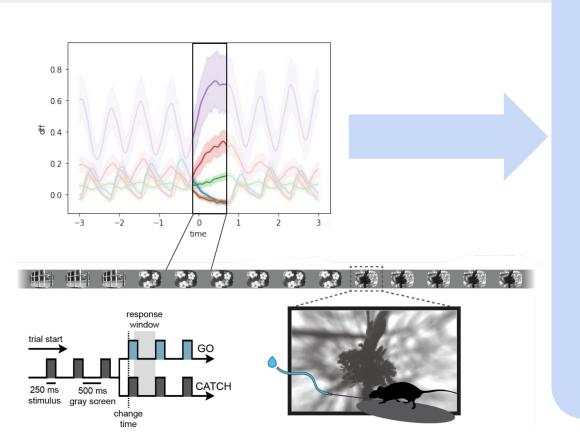
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Decoding image identity



Decoder



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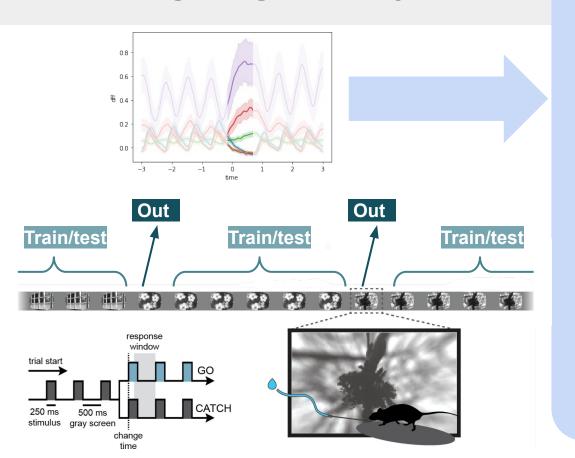
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Decoding image identity



SVM (baseline)

ANN

CNN



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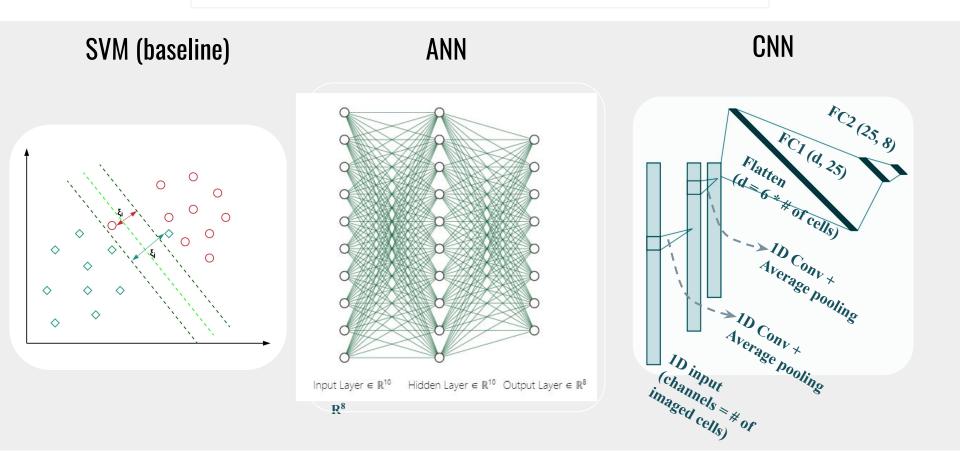
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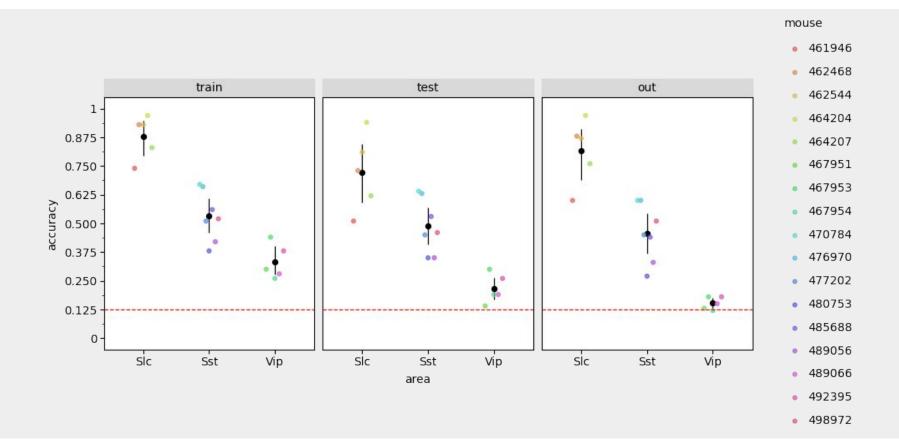
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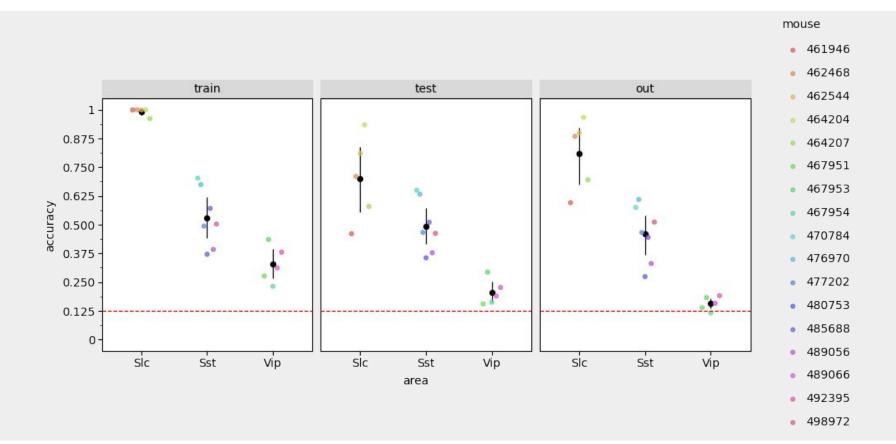
Network architectures



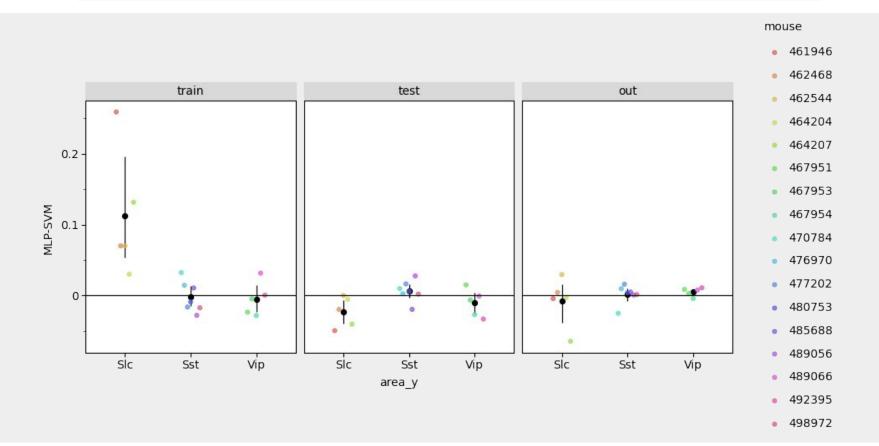
SVM (mean firing rates)



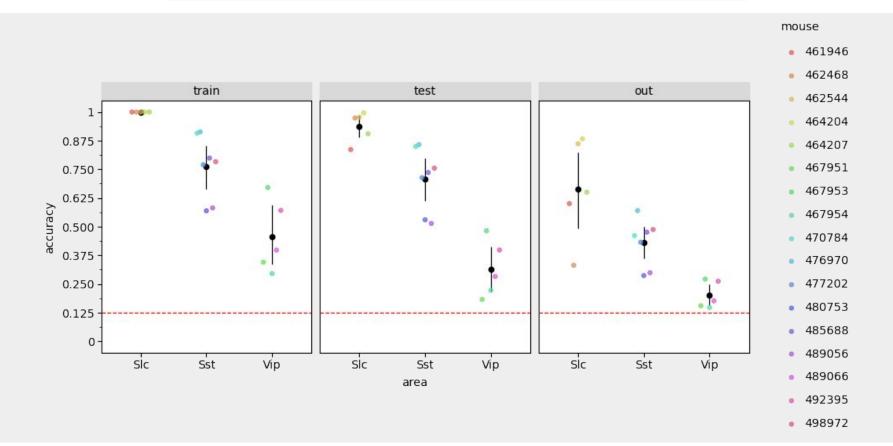
ANN (mean firing rates)



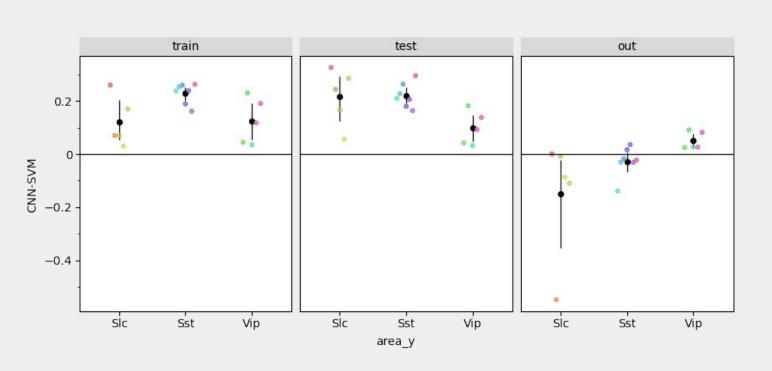
ANN does not outperform SVM



CNN (full time series)



CNN outperforms SVM (but uses full time series)



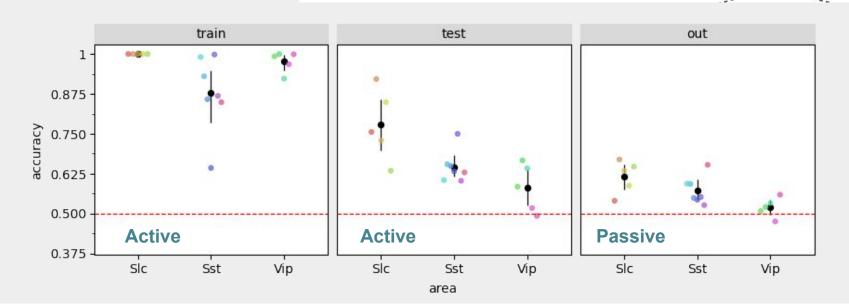
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Decoding image-change

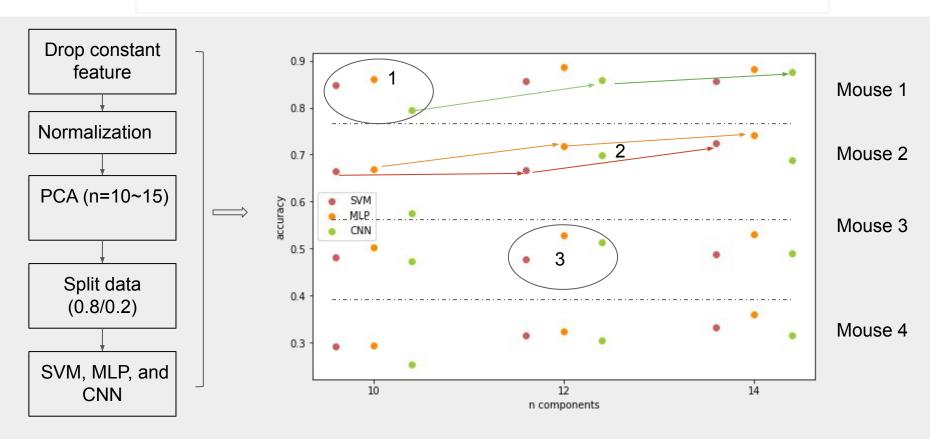
ANN (mean firing rates)

1st vs. 2nd presentation





SVM, MLP And CNN (PCA)



Conclusions

- Image identity information is encoded in SLC and SST inhibitory neurons (but not in VIP)
- CNNs are an effective approach for neural decoding using time-series activity of multiple neurons, where high feature dimensionality can thwart standard machine learning methods
- SST decoding performance drops considerably when tested on initial image presentations, suggesting that these neurons may respond differently to image change versus repeated-image recognition
- Follow-up analysis shows that SST neurons also encode whether it is the first or second presentation of an image