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MATLAB for Brain and Cognitive Psychology (Exemplar Experiments)

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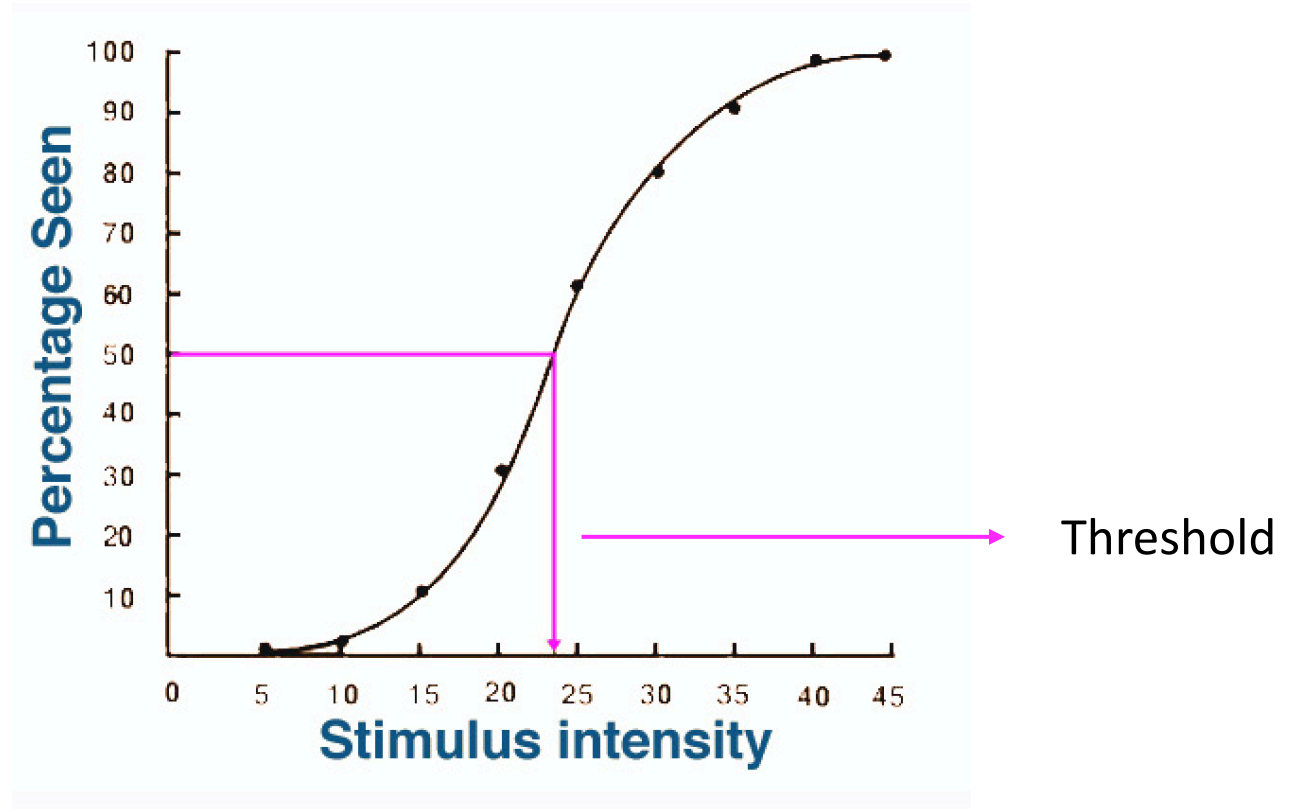
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Threshold Demo

- The inflection point of the sigmoid function or the point at which the function reaches the middle between the chance level and 100% is usually taken as sensory threshold.



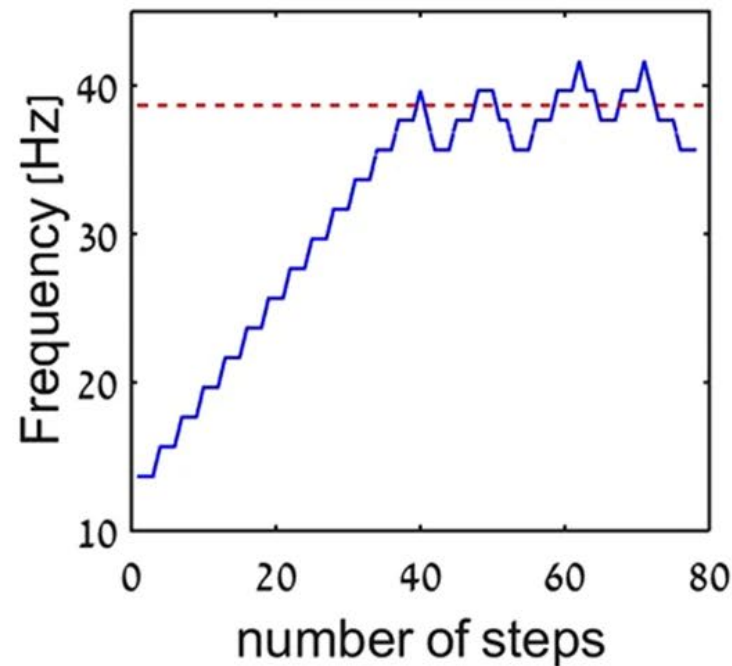
Sensitivity and Threshold

a.
Method of limits

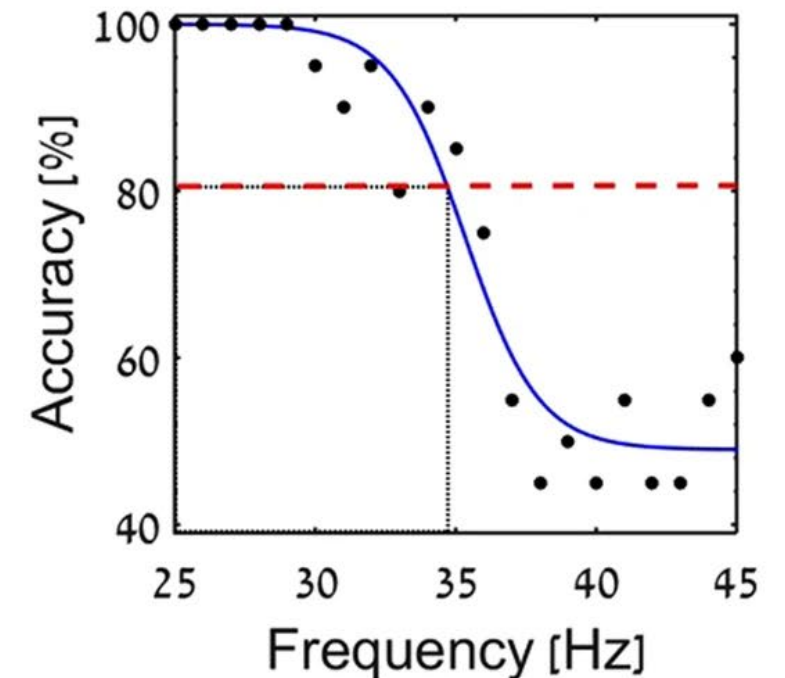
Frequency	Iteration		
[Hz]	1	2	3
24	✓	✓	✓
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28	✓	✓	✓
30	✓	✓	✓
32	✓	✓	✓
34	✓	✓	✓
36	✓	✗	✓
38	✗	✗	✗
40	✗	✗	✗
42	✗	✗	✗
44	✗	✗	✗

Perceived as constant ✗ Perceived as flickering ✓

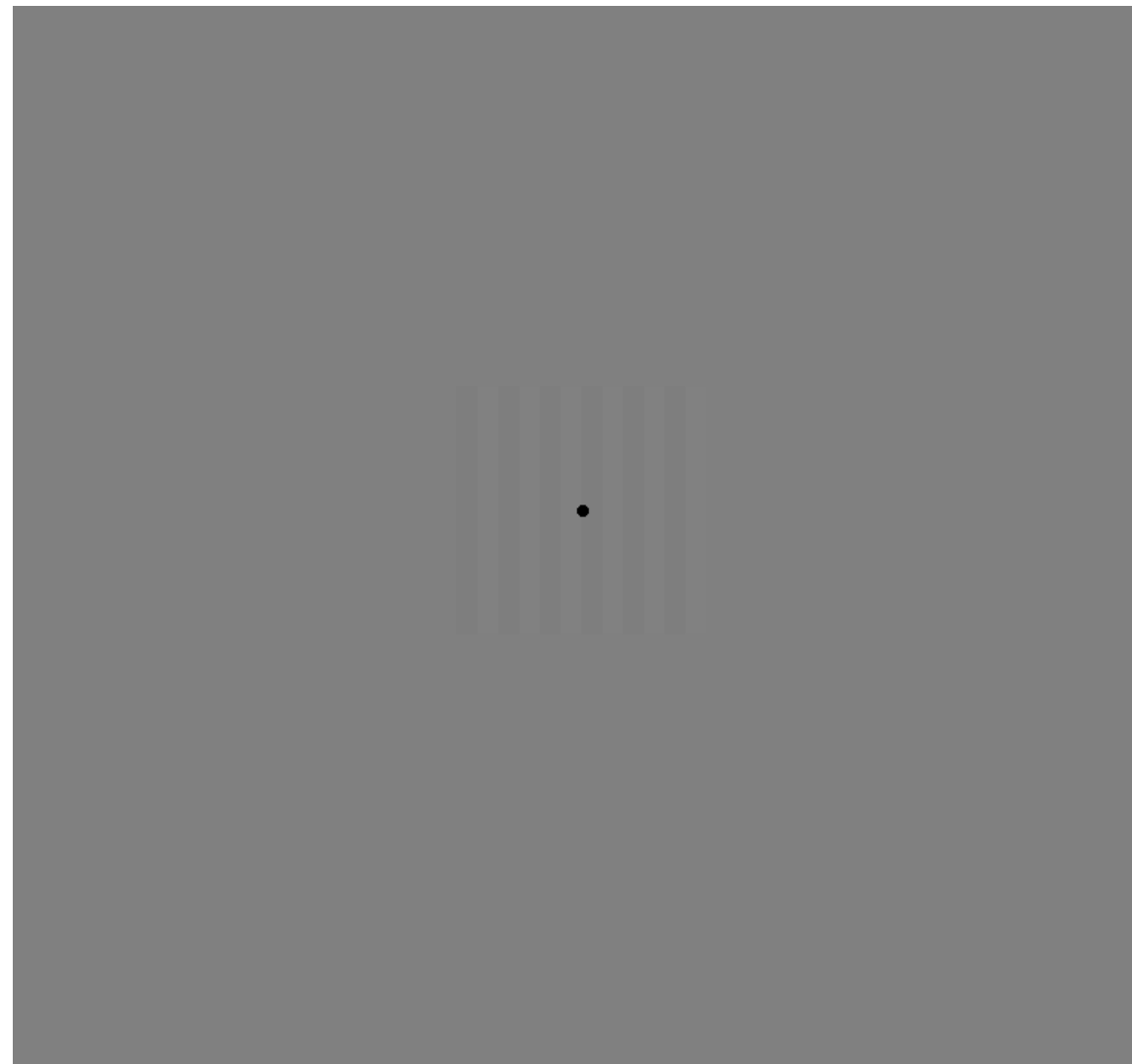
b.
Staircase method



c.
Method of Constant Stimuli



- Method of Limit



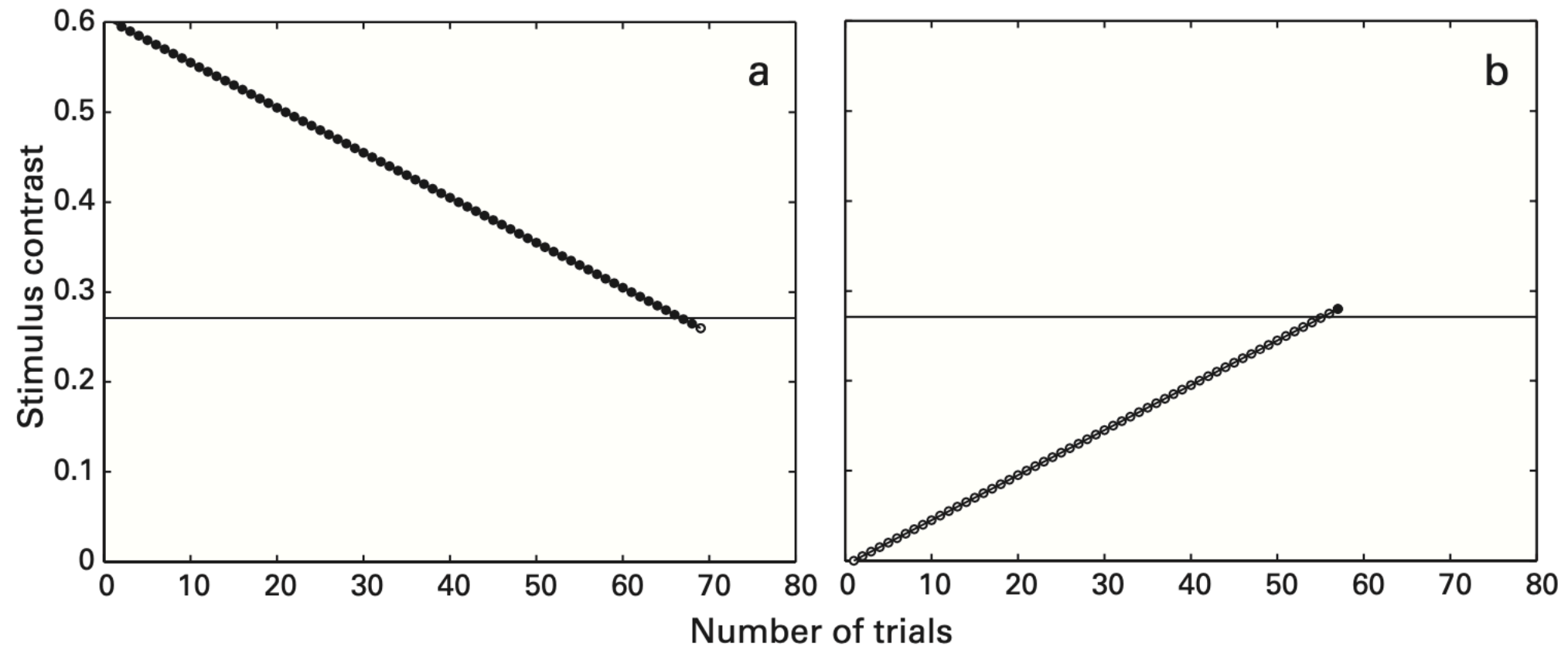
```

% Run trials until user finds threshold
i = 1;                                % for record
thre = p.startContrast;
while 1
    tex = Screen('MakeTexture', windowPtr, img * thre + 0.5, ...
        0, 0, 2);
    Screen('DrawTexture', windowPtr, tex);
    Screen('FillOval', windowPtr, 0, fixRect); % black fixation
    t0 = Screen('Flip', windowPtr, Secs + p.ITI); % stim on
    Screen('FillOval', windowPtr, 0, fixRect);
    Screen('Flip', windowPtr, t0 + p.stimDuration); % stim off
    Screen('Close', tex);
    [key Secs] = WaitTill(keys); % wait till response
    rec(i, :) = [i thre Secs-t0]; % trial #, contrast, RT
    i = i + 1;
    if strcmp(key, 'esc'), break; end
    thre = thre + inc; % increase or decrease contrast
end

```



Method of Limits



- Method of adjustment



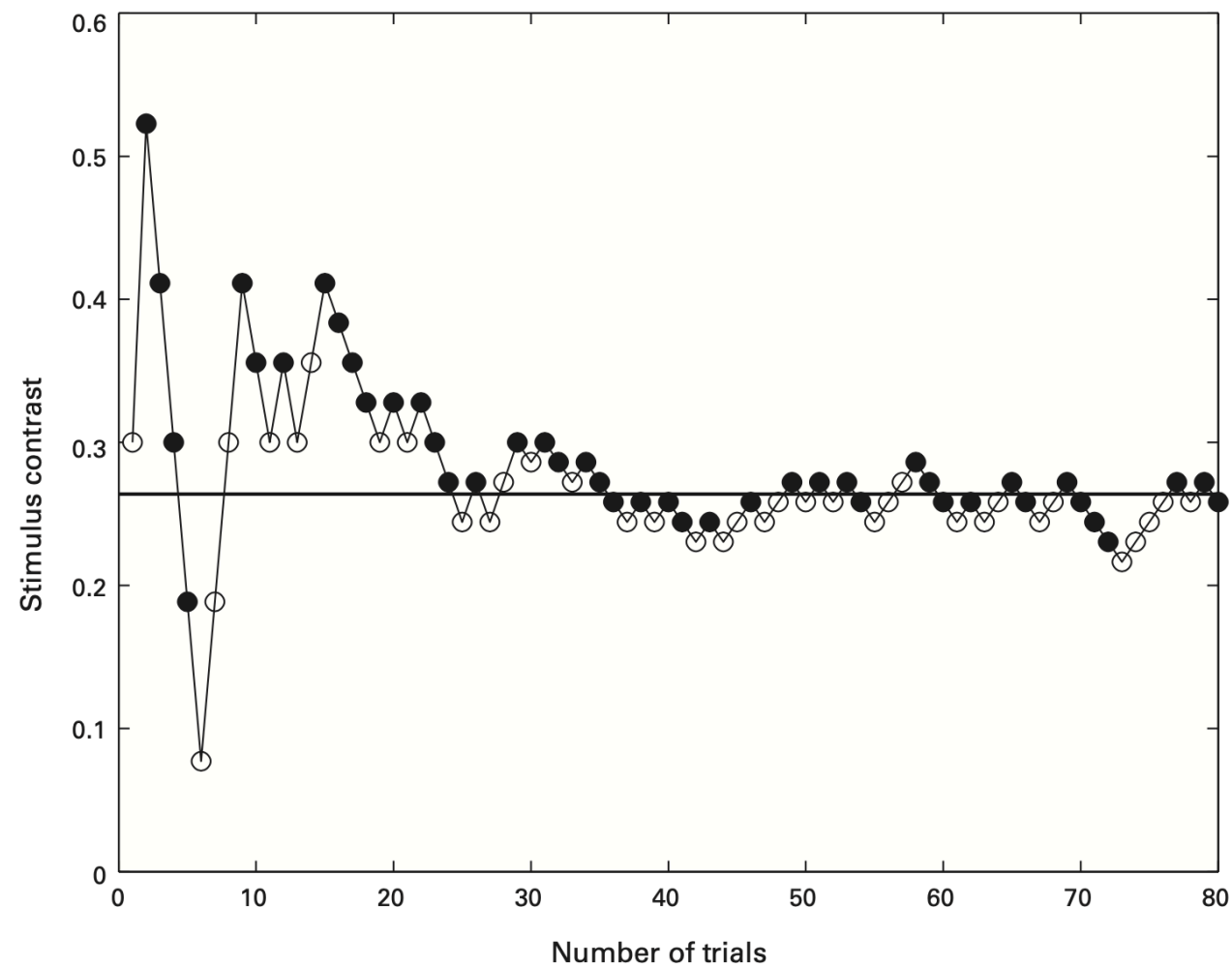
```

% Run trials until user finds threshold
i = 1;           % initial record #
while 1
    Screen('DrawTexture', windowPtr, tex, [], rect1, 90, [], ...
           [], [], [], [], params1);
    Screen('DrawTexture', windowPtr, tex, [], rect2, 90, [], ...
           [], [], [], [], params2);
    t0 = Screen('Flip', windowPtr); % update contrast
    KbReleaseWait;                  % avoid continous change by single
                                    % key press
    [key Secs] = WaitTill(keys);    % wait till response
    rec(i, :) = [i params2(3) Secs-t0];
    i = i + 1;
    if strcmp(key, 'up')
        params2(3) = params2(3) * 1.1; % increase contrast
    elseif strcmp(key, 'down')
        params2(3) = params2(3) / 1.1; % decrease contrast
    else
        break;
end

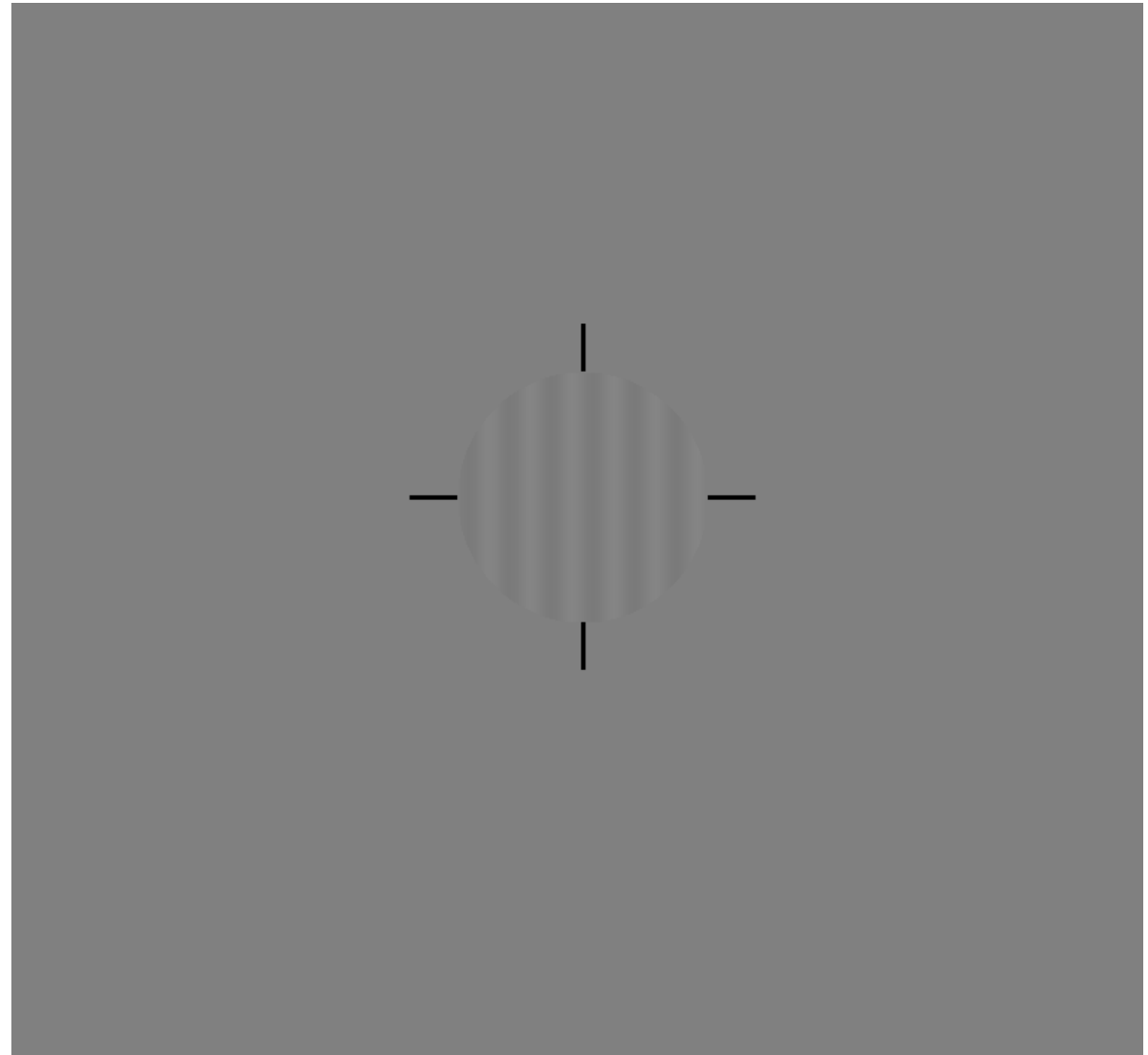
```



Method of Adjustment



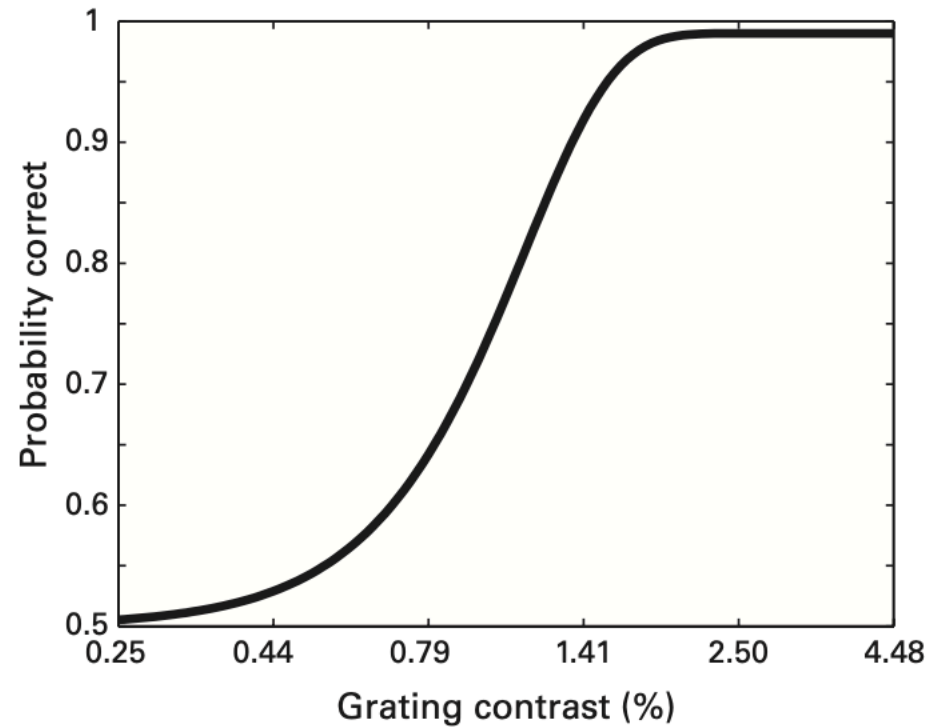
- Method of constant stimuli



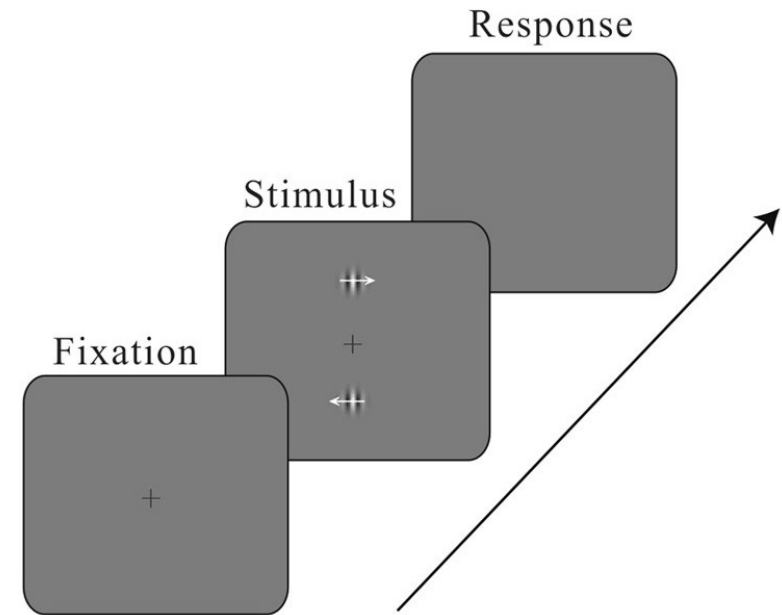
```
% Run nTrials trials
for i = 1 : nTrials
    con = p.contrasts(rec(i, 2)); % use contrast index from
                                % rec to set contrast for this trial
    Screen('DrawTexture', windowPtr, tex, [], [], 0, [], ...
          [], [], [], [], [180 sf con 0]);
    % draw the sine grating with phase 180, spatial
    % frequency, and contrast
    Screen('DrawLines', windowPtr, fixXY, 3, 0.3);
    % add the fixation crosshairs
    t0 = Screen('Flip', windowPtr, Secs + p.ISI);
    % show the stimulus and return the time
    Screen('Flip', windowPtr, t0 + p.stimDuration);
    % turn off the stimulus by flipping to background
    % image after p.stimDuration secs
    Screen('FillOval', windowPtr, 0, fixRect);
    % draw the smaller centered fixation
    Screen('Flip', windowPtr, t0 + 0.25 + p.stimDuration);
    % show small fixation briefly to cue the observer to
    % respond with the interval
```



Method of Constant Stimuli



- Threshold Demo
- Attention task



```

%-----
% Gabor information
%-----

% Dimension of the region where will draw the Gabor in pixels
gaborDimPix = 300;

% Sigma of Gaussian
sigma = gaborDimPix / 7;

% Obvious Parameters
orientation = 90;
contrast = 0.5;
aspectRatio = 1.0;

% Spatial Frequency (Cycles Per Pixel)
% One Cycle = Grey-Black-Grey-White-Grey i.e. One Black and One White Lobe
numCycles = 8;
freq = numCycles / gaborDimPix;

% Build a procedural gabor texture
gabortex = CreateProceduralGabor(window, gaborDimPix, gaborDimPix, [],...
    [0.5 0.5 0.5 0.0], 1, 0.5);

% We will be displaying our Gabors either above or below fixation by 250
% pixels. We therefore have to determine these two locations in screen
% coordinates.
pixShift = 250;
xPos = [xCenter xCenter];
yPos = [yCenter - pixShift yCenter + pixShift];

% Count how many Gabors there are (two for this demo)
nGabors = numel(xPos);

% Make the destination rectangles for the Gabors in the array i.e.
% rectangles the size of our Gabors centred above and below fixation.
baseRect = [0 0 gaborDimPix gaborDimPix];
allRects = nan(4, nGabors);
for i = 1:nGabors
    allRects(:, i) = CenterRectOnPointd(baseRect, xPos(i), yPos(i));
end

% Randomise the phase of the Gabors and make a properties matrix.
phaseLine = rand(1, nGabors) .* 360;
propertiesMat = repmat([NaN, freq, sigma, contrast,...
    aspectRatio, 0, 0, 0], nGabors, 1);
propertiesMat(:, 1) = phaseLine';

```



Keyboard Response

```
%-----  
%                               Keyboard information  
%-----
```

```
% Define the keyboard keys that are listened for. We will be using the left  
% and right arrow keys as response keys for the task and the escape key as  
% a exit/reset key
```

```
escapeKey = KbName('ESCAPE');    ─────────→    Exit  
leftKey = KbName('LeftArrow');    ─────────→    Response = 1  
rightKey = KbName('RightArrow');  ─────────→    Response = 0
```




Collecting response

```
% Now we wait for a keyboard button signaling the observers response.
% The left arrow key signals a "left" response and the right arrow key
% a "right" response. You can also press escape if you want to exit the
% program
respToBeMade = true;
while respToBeMade
    [keyIsDown,secs, keyCode] = KbCheck;
    if keyCode(escapeKey)
        ShowCursor;
        sca;
        return
    elseif keyCode(leftKey)
        response = 1;
        respToBeMade = false;
    elseif keyCode(rightKey)
        response = 0;
        respToBeMade = false;
    end
end

% Record the response
respVector(stimValues == theAngle) = respVector(stimValues == theAngle)...
    + response;

% Add one to the counter for that stimulus
countVector(stimValues == theAngle) = countVector(stimValues == theAngle) + 1;
```

```
data = [stimValues; respVector; countVector]';
```

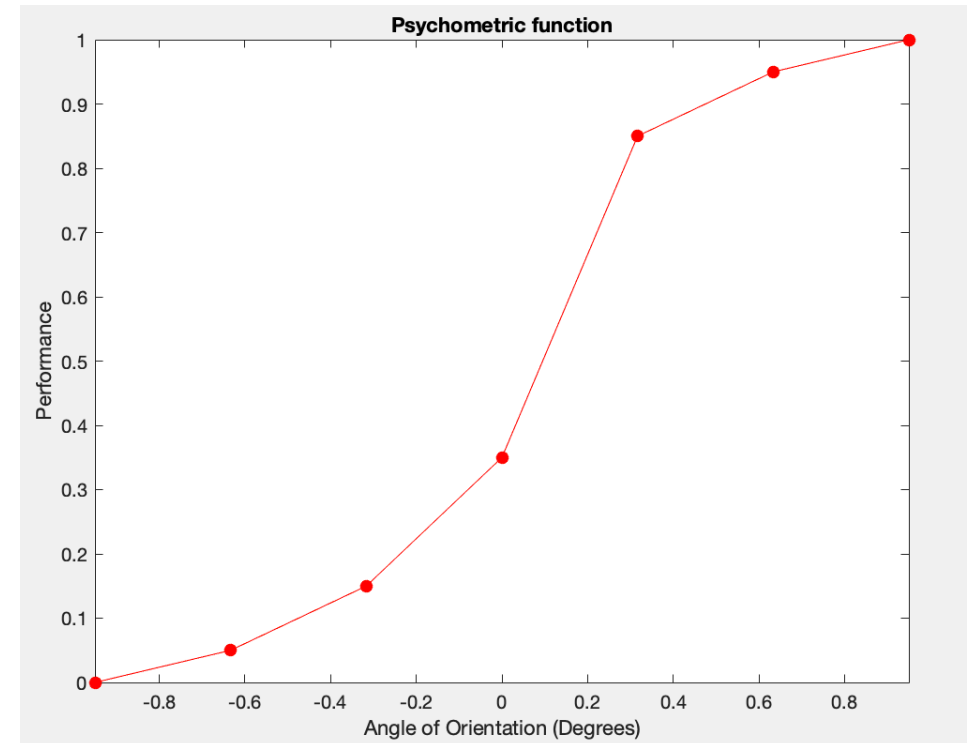


	1	2	3
1	-0.9500	0	20
2	-0.6333	1	20
3	-0.3167	3	20
4	-1.1102e-16	7	20
5	0.3167	17	20
6	0.6333	19	20
7	0.9500	20	20

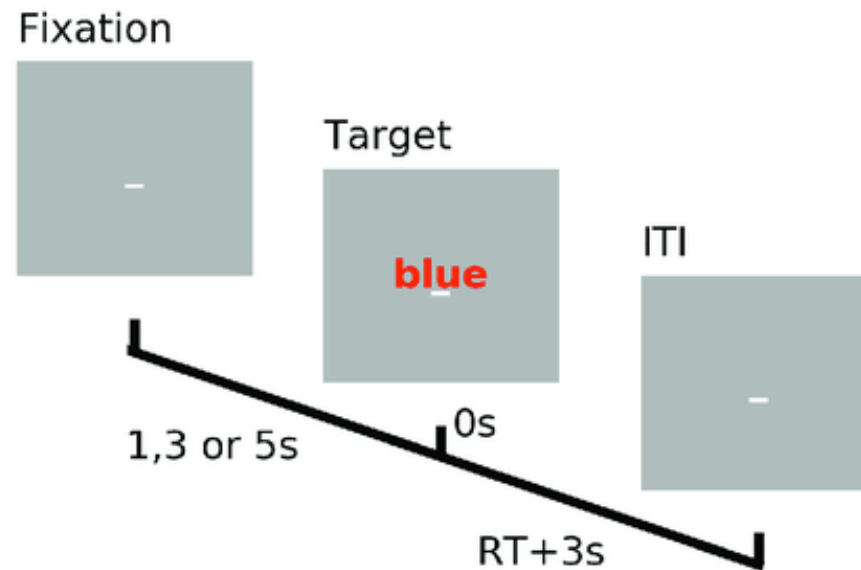


Plot psychometric function

```
figure;  
plot(data(:, 1), data(:, 2) ./ data(:, 3), 'ro-', 'MarkerFaceColor', 'r');  
axis([min(data(:, 1)) max(data(:, 1)) 0 1]);  
xlabel('Angle of Orientation (Degrees)');  
ylabel('Performance');  
title('Psychometric function');
```





- Stroop Demo



Target types

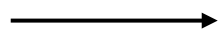
red	green	blue
red	green	blue
red	green	blue

	Condition A	Condition B
Stimulus	GREEN	GREEN
1se	 fast response	 slow response

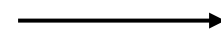
Stroop Demo

- The Stroop phenomenon demonstrates that it is difficult to name the ink color of a color word if there is a mismatch between ink color and word.

Congruent Trial



BLUE



Correct response = blue

Incongruent Trial



BLUE



Correct response = red



Keyboard Response

```
%-----  
%                               Keyboard information  
%-----  
  
% Define the keyboard keys that are listened for. We will be using the left  
% and right arrow keys as response keys for the task and the escape key as  
% a exit/reset key  
escapeKey = KbName('ESCAPE');      → Exit  
leftKey = KbName('LeftArrow');      → Red  
rightKey = KbName('RightArrow');    → Blue  
downKey = KbName('DownArrow');      → Green
```



Repmat:

`B = repmat(A,m,n)`

Repeat copies of `A` into a `m`-by-`n` block arrangement.

Example:

```
A = 1:4;  
B = repmat(A,4,1)
```

B =

1	2	3	4
1	2	3	4
1	2	3	4
1	2	3	4

A =

100	0	0
0	200	0
0	0	300

```
B = repmat(A,2,3)
```

B =

100	0	0	100	0	0	100	0	0
0	200	0	0	200	0	0	200	0
0	0	300	0	0	300	0	0	300
100	0	0	100	0	0	100	0	0
0	200	0	0	200	0	0	200	0
0	0	300	0	0	300	0	0	300



condMatrixBase

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3
2	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3

%-----
% Colors in words and RGB
%-----

% We are going to use three colors for this demo. Red, Green and blue.

wordList = {'Red', 'Green', 'Blue'};

rgbColors = [1 0 0; 0 1 0; 0 0 1];

% Make the matrix which will determine our condition combinations

condMatrixBase = [sort(repmat([1 2 3], 1, 3)); repmat([1 2 3], 1, 3)];

% Number of trials per condition. We set this to one for this demo, to give

% us a total of 9 trials.

trialsPerCondition = 1;

% Duplicate the condition matrix to get the full number of trials

condMatrix = repmat(condMatrixBase, 1, trialsPerCondition);

% Get the size of the matrix

[~, numTrials] = size(condMatrix);

% Randomise the conditions

shuffler = Shuffle(1:numTrials);

condMatrixShuffled = condMatrix(:, shuffler);

condMatrixShuffled

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	1	2	3	3	3	2	1	2	1
2	3	3	3	2	1	2	2	1	1



```

%-----
%                               Make a response matrix
%-----

% This is a four row matrix the first row will record the word we present,
% the second row the color the word it written in, the third row the key
% they respond with and the final row the time they took to make there response.
respMat = nan(4, numTrials);

% Record the trial data into out data matrix
respMat(1, trial) = wordNum;
respMat(2, trial) = colorNum;
respMat(3, trial) = response;
respMat(4, trial) = rt;

```

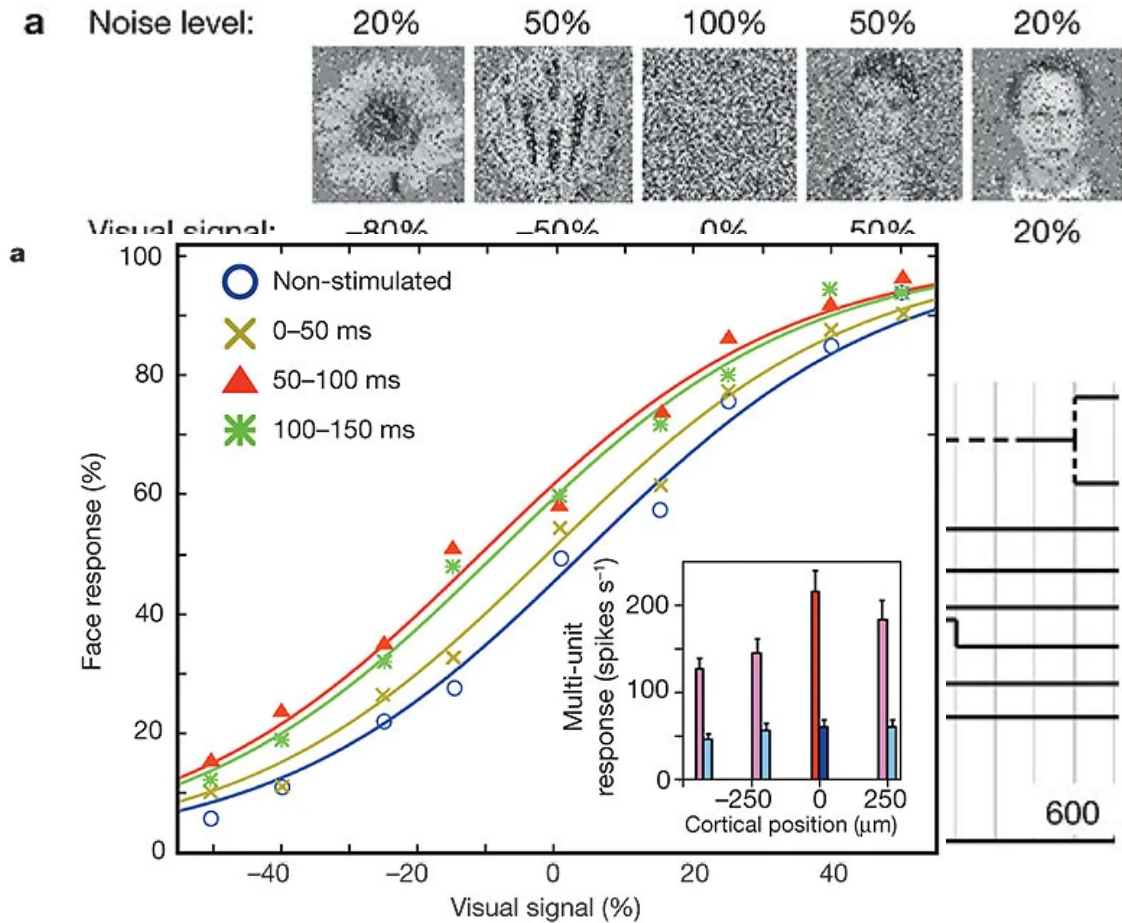
respMat

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Word number	→	1	2	3	3	3	2	1	2	1	
color number	→	2	3	3	2	1	2	2	1	1	
response	→	3	3	3	2	1	2	2	1	1	
Reaction time	→	4	0.6068	0.4169	0.4667	0.3848	0.4337	0.4003	0.9503	0.7171	0.5001



Assignment#12

- Face detection task
- 500ms fixation
- 300 ms stimulus
- 500 ms delay
- Response collection
- Plot Psychometric function



Afraz, S. R., Kiani, R., & Esteky, H. (2006). Microstimulation of inferotemporal cortex influences face categorization. *Nature*, 442(7103), 692-695.

