

# Canonical Correlation Analysis in high dimensions with structured regularization

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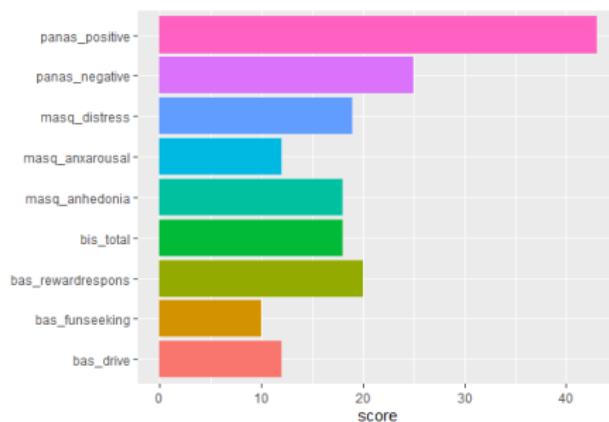
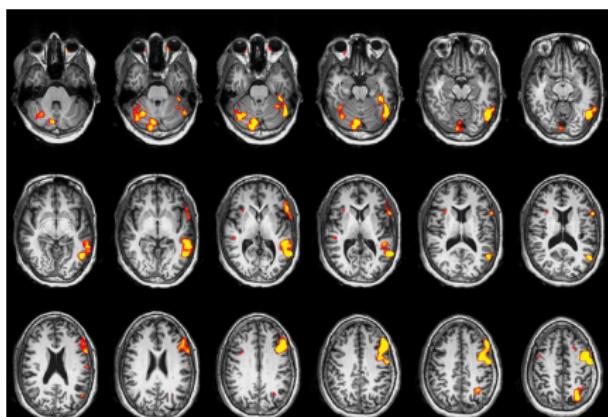
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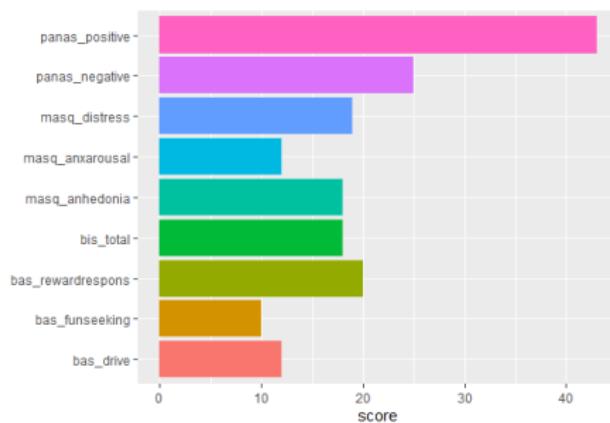
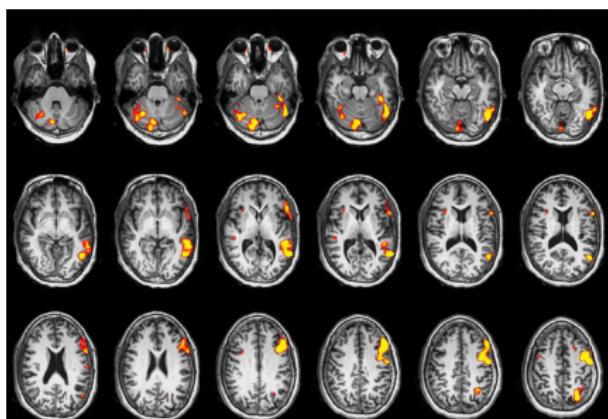
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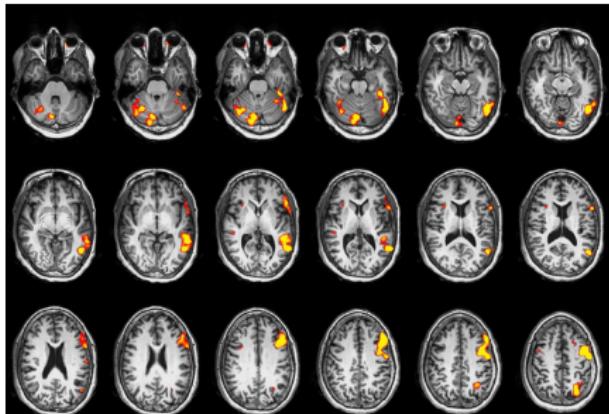
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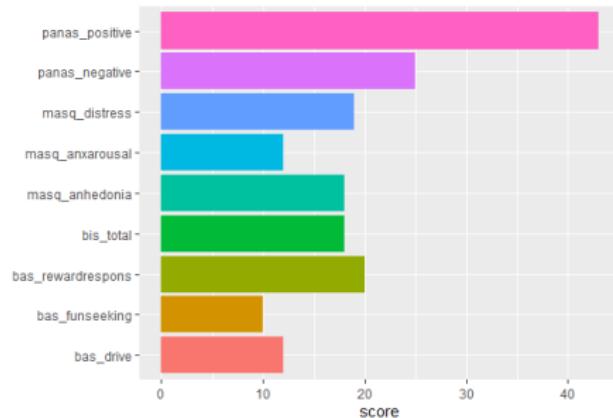


**Question:** is there any correlation between brain activity and behavioral measures of performance during the cognitive tasks?

# Notations



$X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  – brain activations



$Y \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times q}$  – behavior test scores

## Dimensions:

- $n = 696$  participants
- $p = 91,282$  greyordinates
- $q = 7$  scores

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**Problem:** does not work for  $p > n$ !

# Regularization

Modified correlation coefficient

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# CCA package

rcc [CCA]

R Documentation

## Regularized Canonical Correlation Analysis

### Description

The function performs the Regularized extension of the Canonical Correlation Analysis to seek correlations between two data matrices when the number of columns (variables) exceeds the number of rows (observations)

### Usage

```
rcc(X, Y, lambda1, lambda2)
```

### Arguments

X numeric matrix ( $n * p$ ), containing the X coordinates.

Y numeric matrix ( $n * q$ ), containing the Y coordinates.

lambda1 Regularization parameter for X

lambda2 Regularization parameter for Y

### Details

When the number of columns is greater than the number of rows, the matrice  $XX$  (and/or  $YY$ ) may be ill-conditioned. The regularization allows the inversion by adding a term on the diagonal.

### Value

A list containing the following components:

corr canonical correlations

names a list containing the names to be used for individuals and variables for graphical outputs

xcoef estimated coefficients for the 'X' variables as returned by `cancor()`

ycoef estimated coefficients for the 'Y' variables as returned by `cancor()`

scores a list returned by the internal function `comput()` containing individuals and variables coordinates on the canonical variates basis.

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  Cyy <- var(Y, na.rm = TRUE, use = "pairwise") + diag(lambda2,
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  Cxy <- cov(X, Y, use = "pairwise")
  res <- geigen(Cxy, Cxx, Cyy)
  names(res) <- c("cor", "xcoef", "ycoef")
  scores <- comput(X, Y, res)
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**Problem:**  $C_{XX}$ ,  $C_{XY}$   
are large for  $p \gg n$

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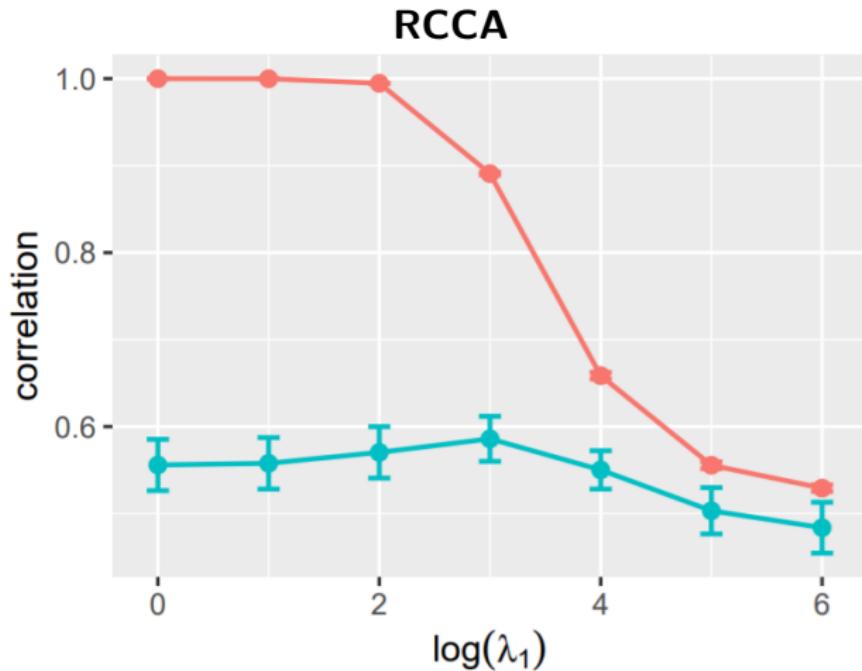
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**Solution:**

①  $X = UDV^T = \boxed{n \times n} \quad \boxed{n \times n} \quad \boxed{n \times p}$

- ② set  $R = XV = UD$  and solve RCCA problem for  $(R, Y) \Rightarrow$  canonical coefficients  $\alpha_R, \beta_R$
- ③ apply inverse transformation  $\alpha_X = V\alpha_R$  and  $\beta_X = \beta_R$
- ④ the variates stay the same  $v_R = R\alpha_R = X\alpha_X = v_X$  and  $u_R = u_X$

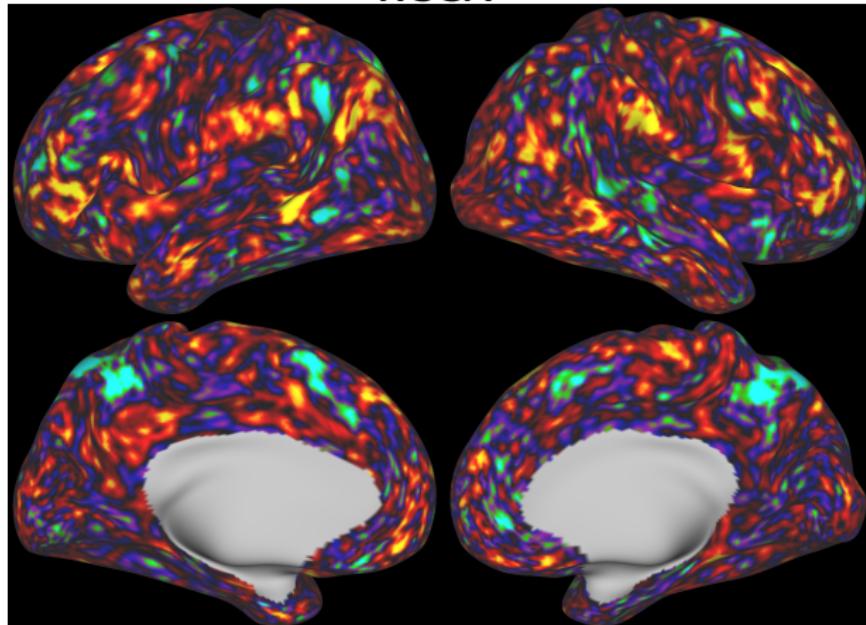
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# Brain regions

**Motivation:** brain features come in groups (aka brain regions). How to take into account the group structure?



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# GRCCA vs. RCCA

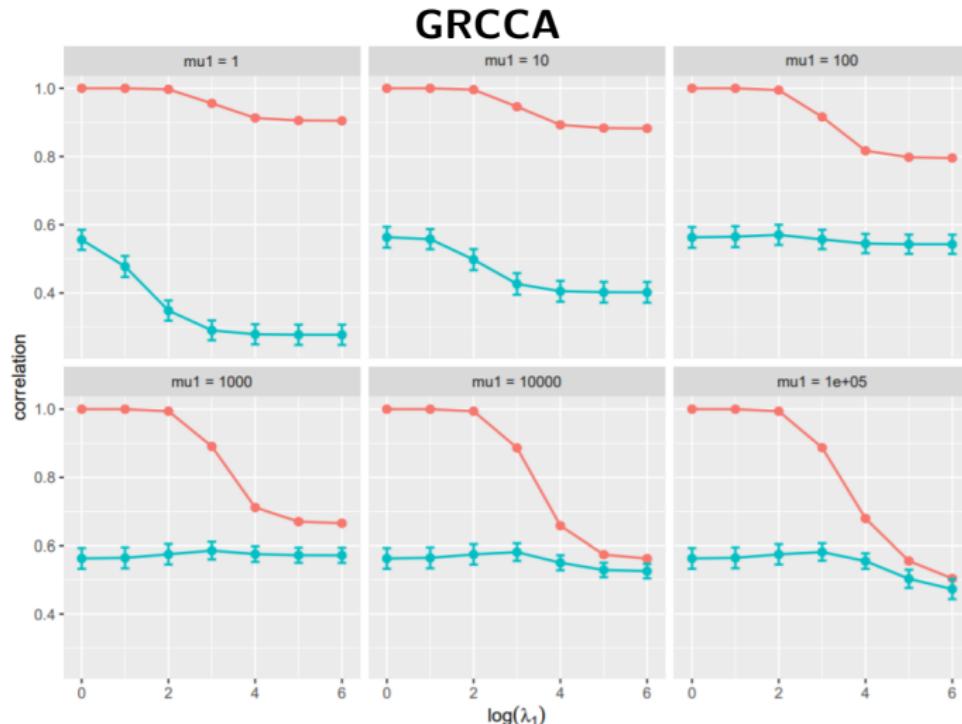
## Lemma

GRCCA for  $(X, Y)$  is equivalent to RCCA for  $(\tilde{X}, Y)$  where

$$\tilde{X} = \left( X_1 - \bar{X}_1, \sqrt{\frac{p_1 \lambda_1}{\mu_1}} \bar{X}_1, \dots, X_K - \bar{X}_K, \sqrt{\frac{p_K \lambda_1}{\mu_1}} \bar{X}_K \right)$$

Can use Kernel trick!

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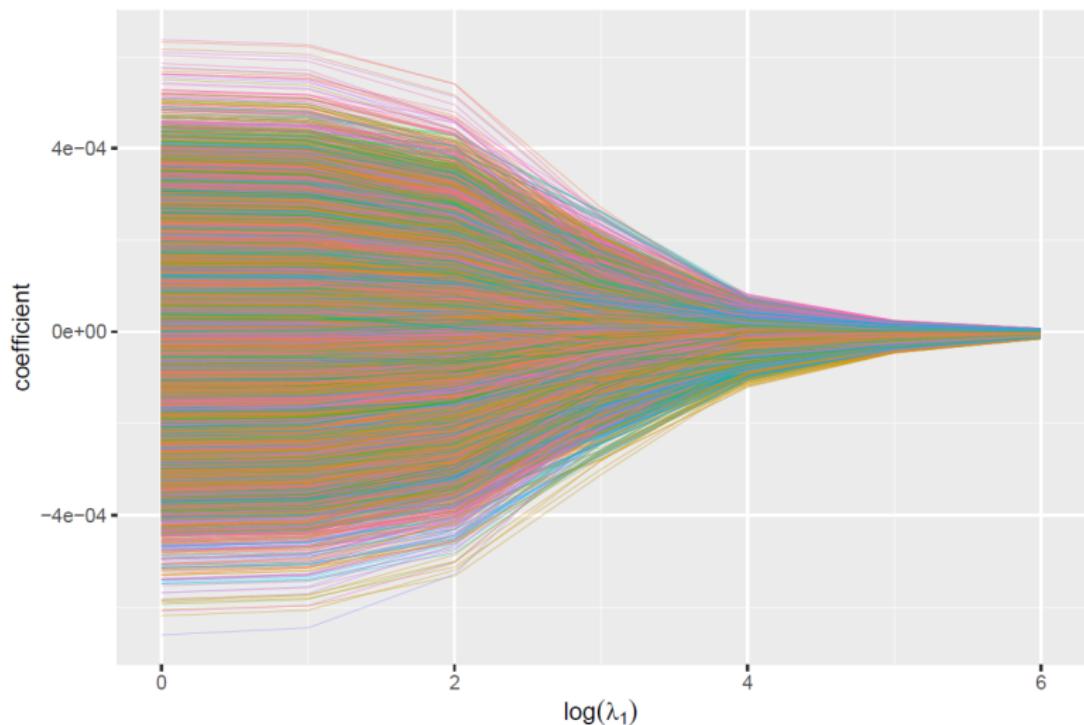


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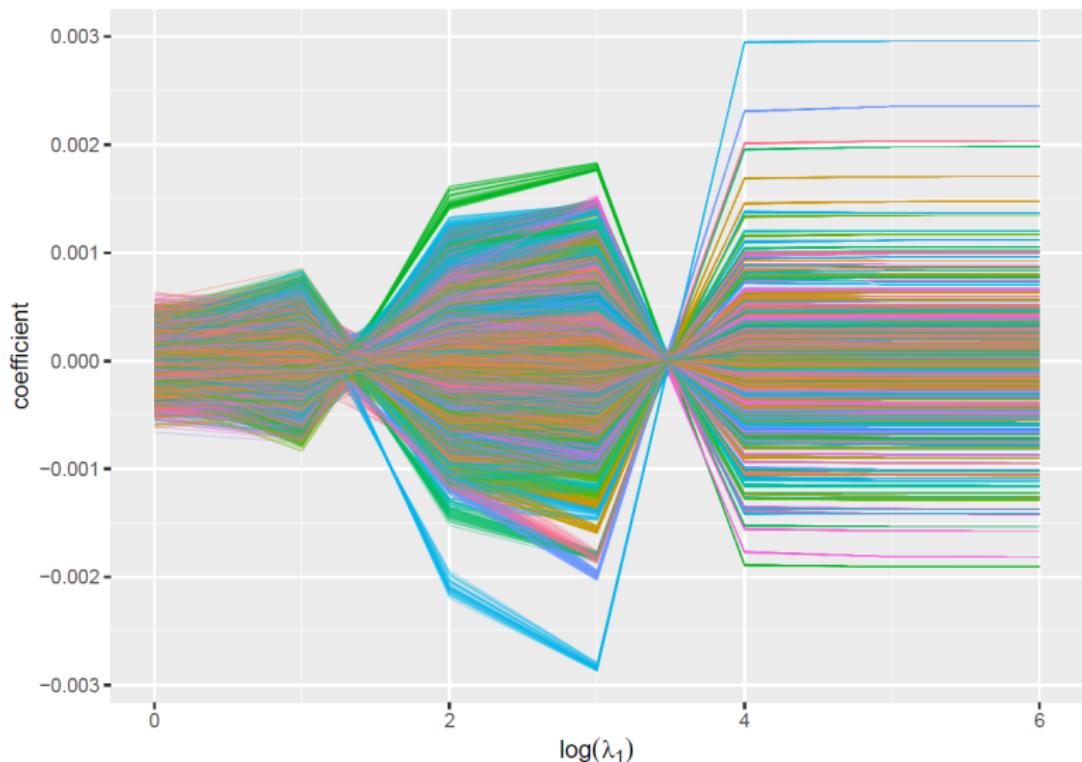
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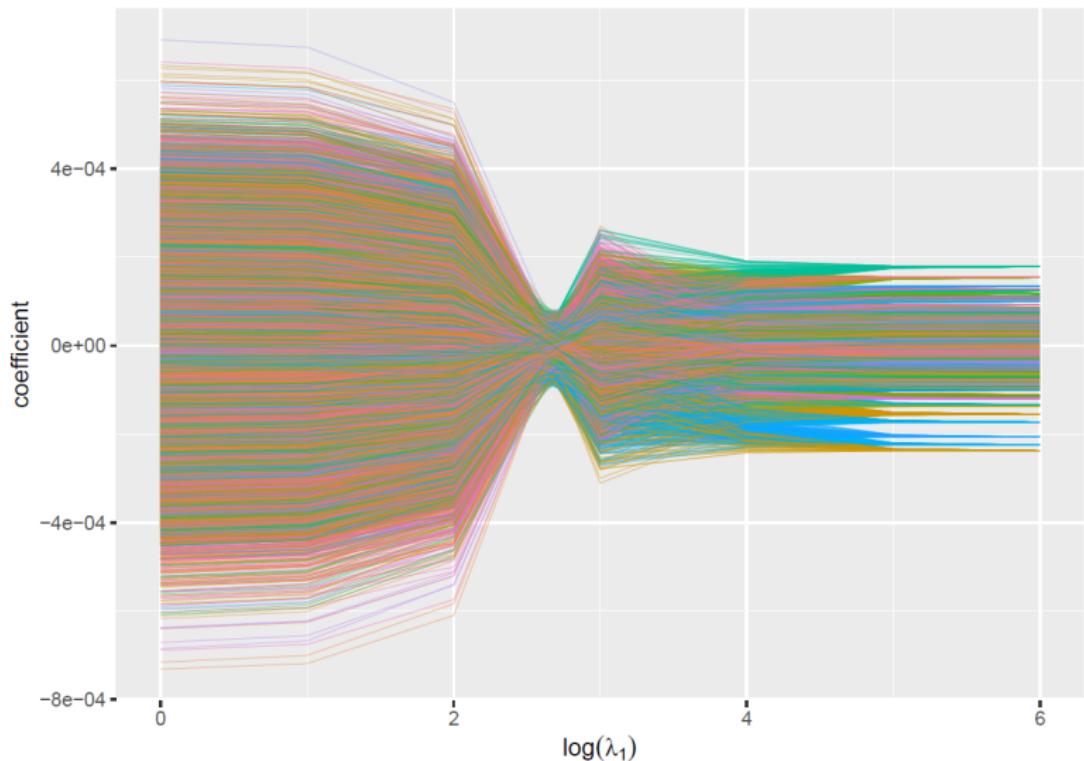
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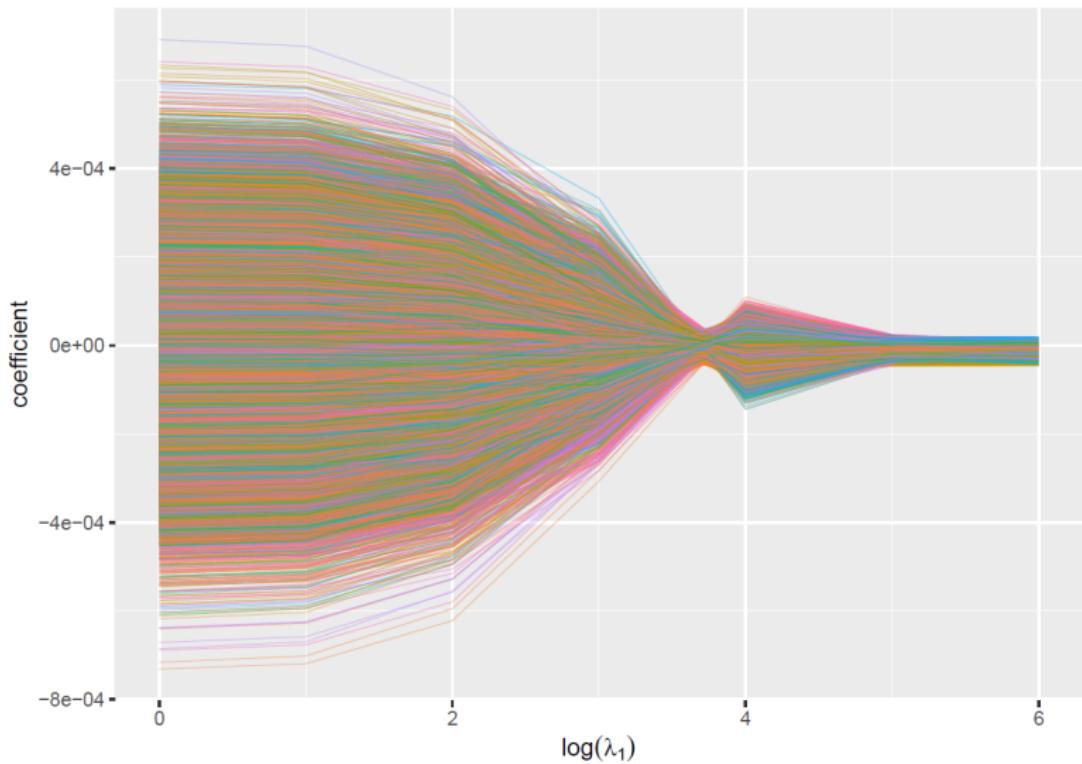
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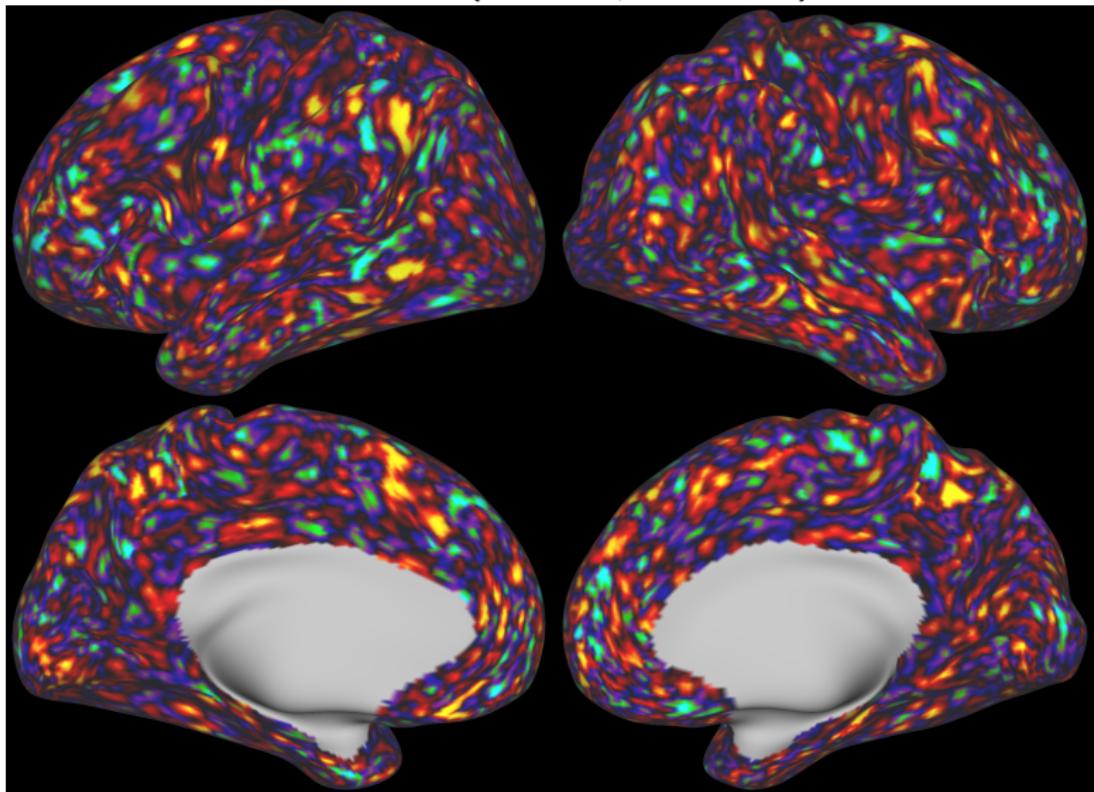
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**GRCCA ( $\mu_1 = 10^5$ )**



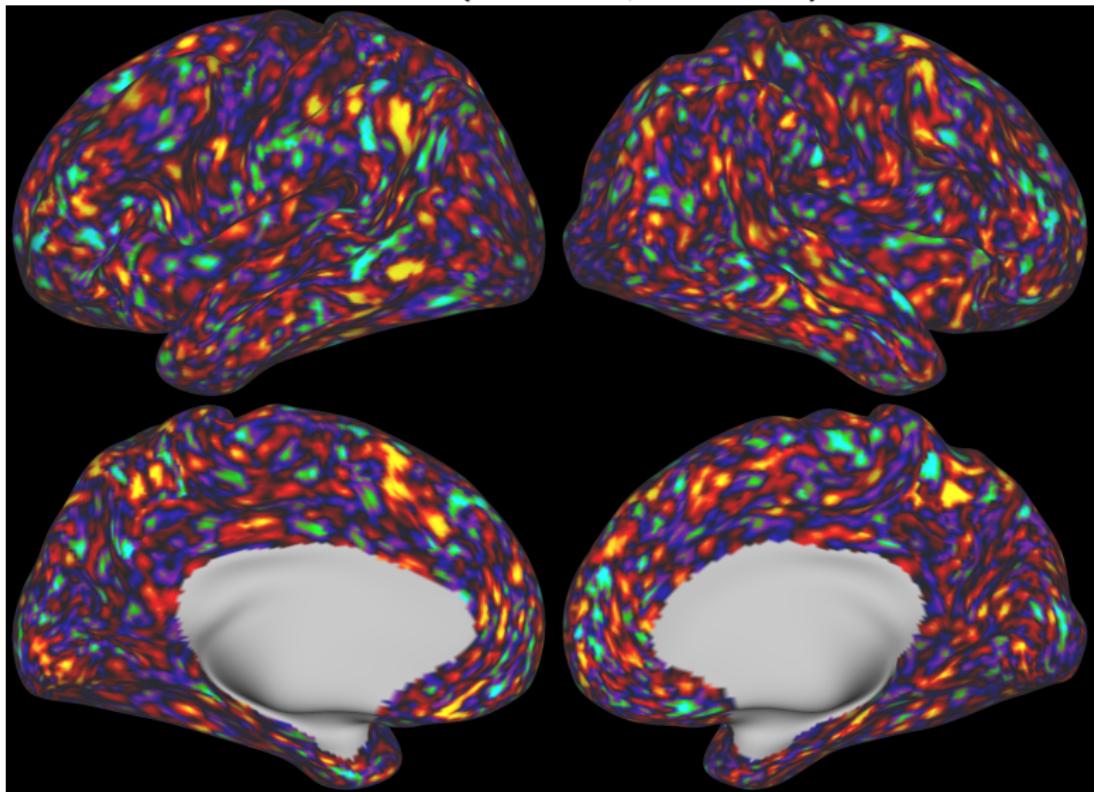
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**GRCCA ( $\lambda_1 = 1, \mu_1 = 1000$ )**



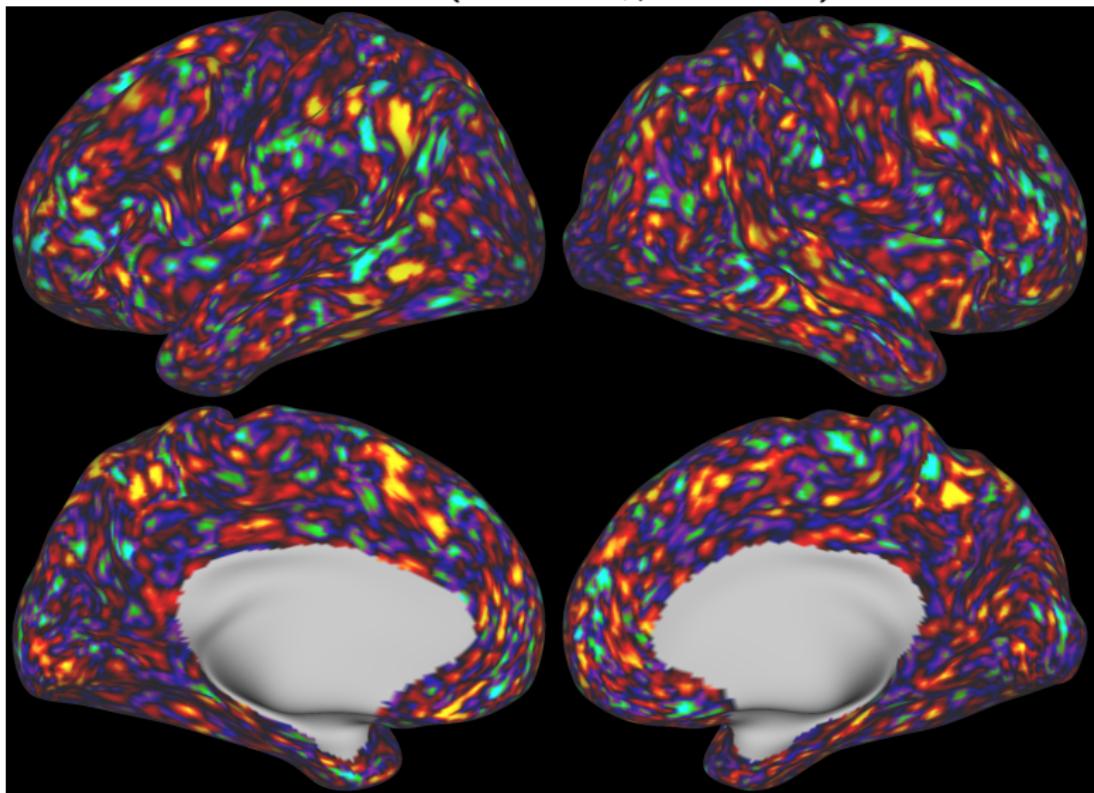
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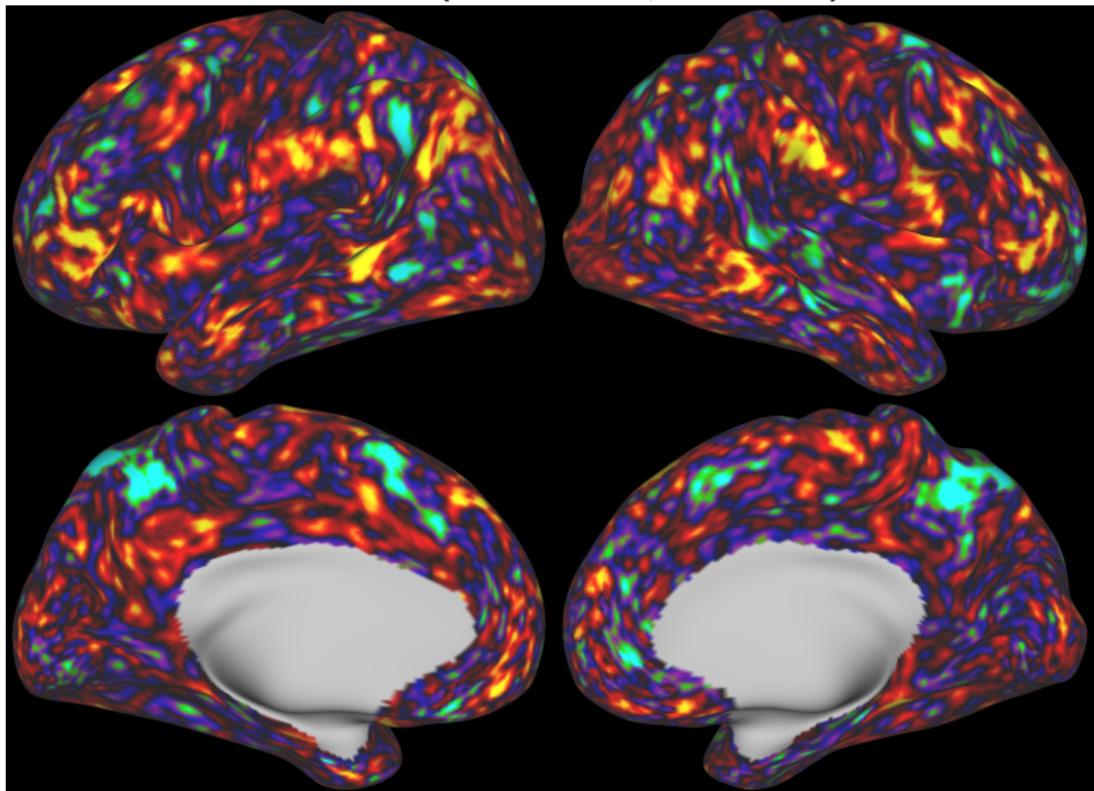
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**GRCCA** ( $\lambda_1 = 100, \mu_1 = 1000$ )



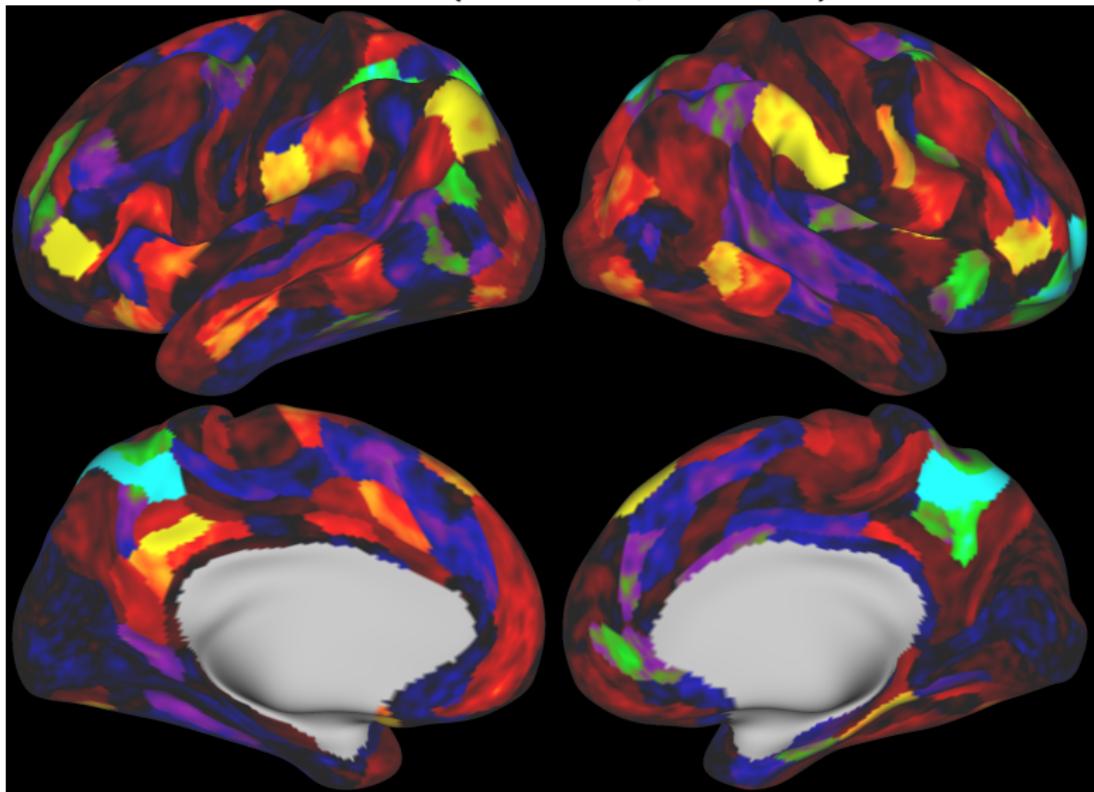
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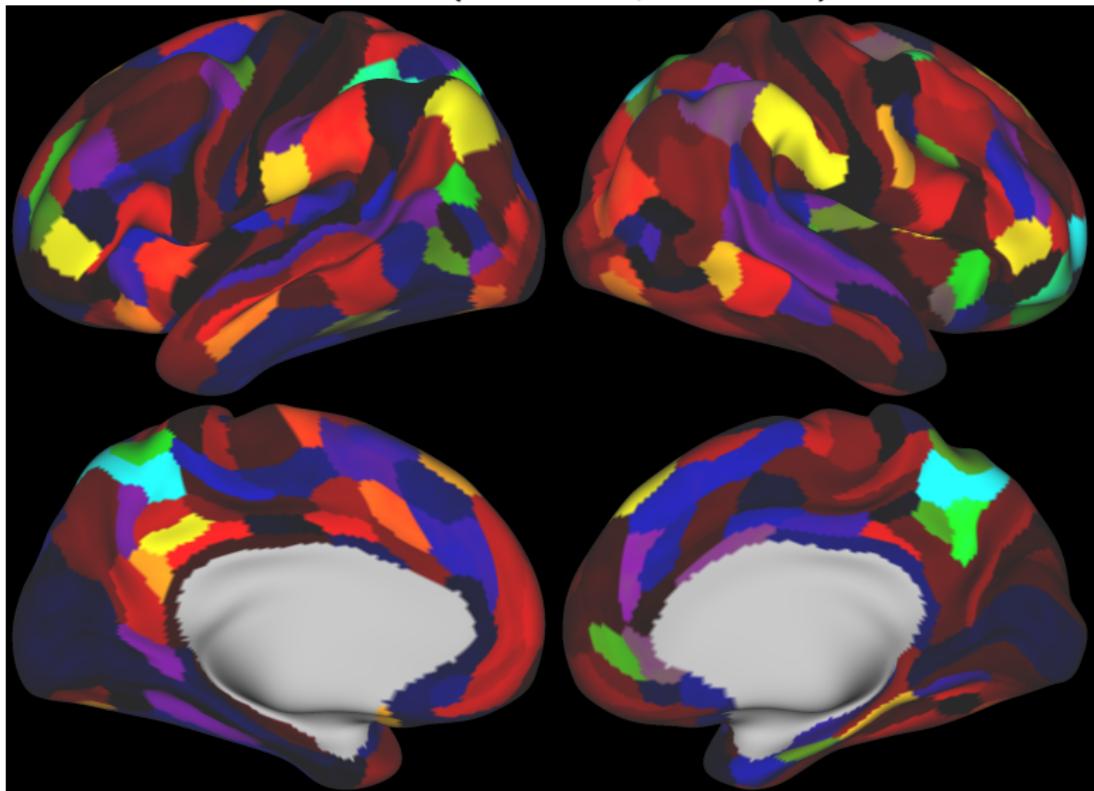
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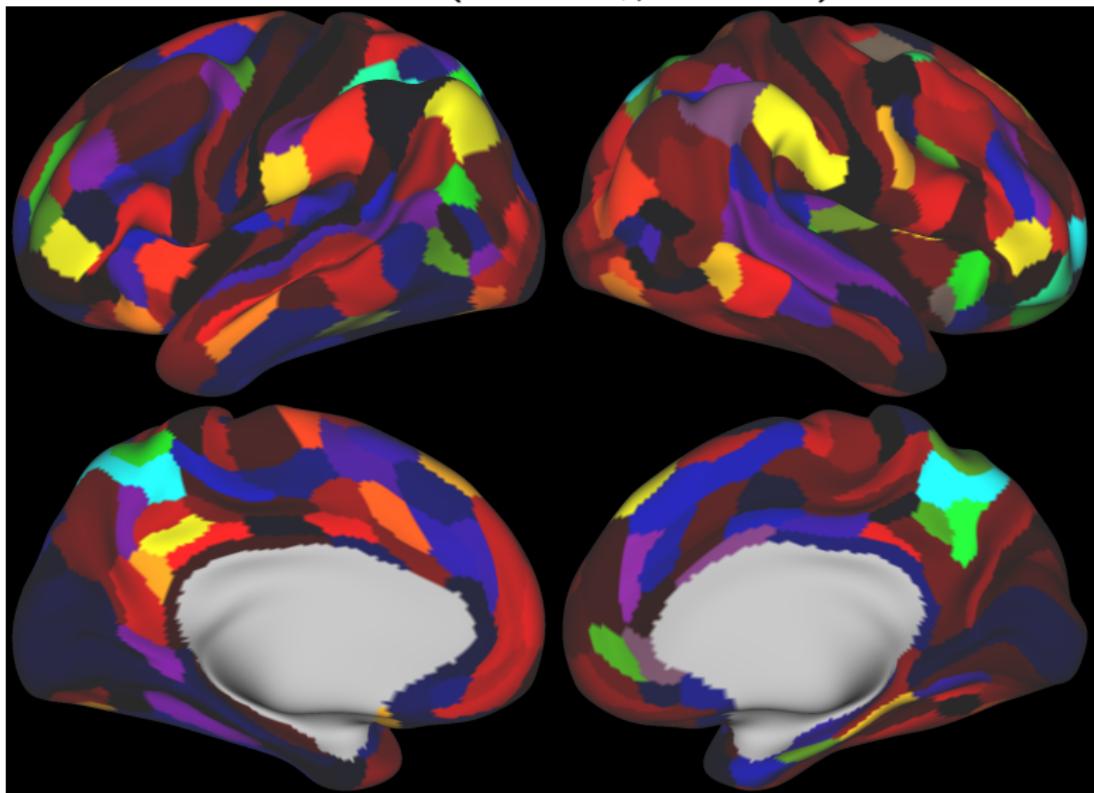
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**GRCCA** ( $\lambda_1 = 10^6, \mu_1 = 1000$ )



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