

COMP 546

Lecture 8

image motion 2

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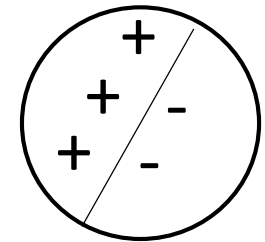
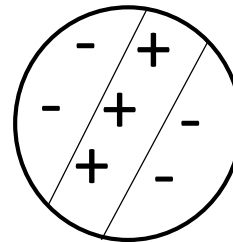
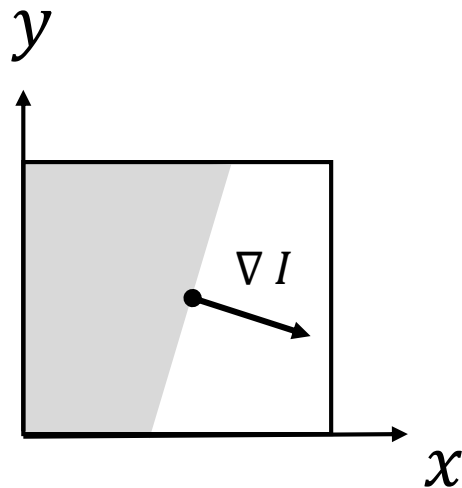
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- Abstract computational problem:  
how to estimate the *local* image velocity ?
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# Intensity changes in XY

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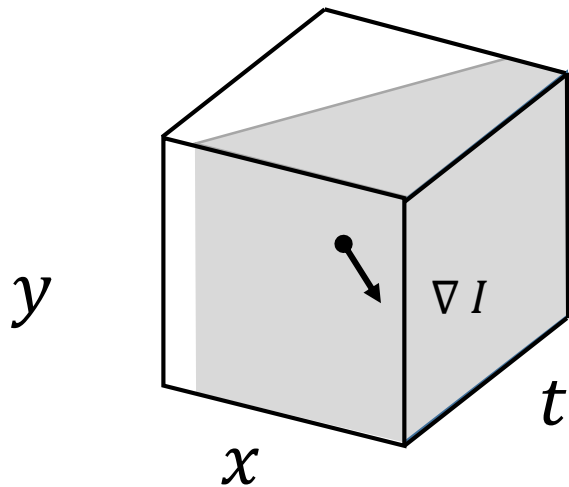
is the 2D spatial gradient at  $(x, y)$ .



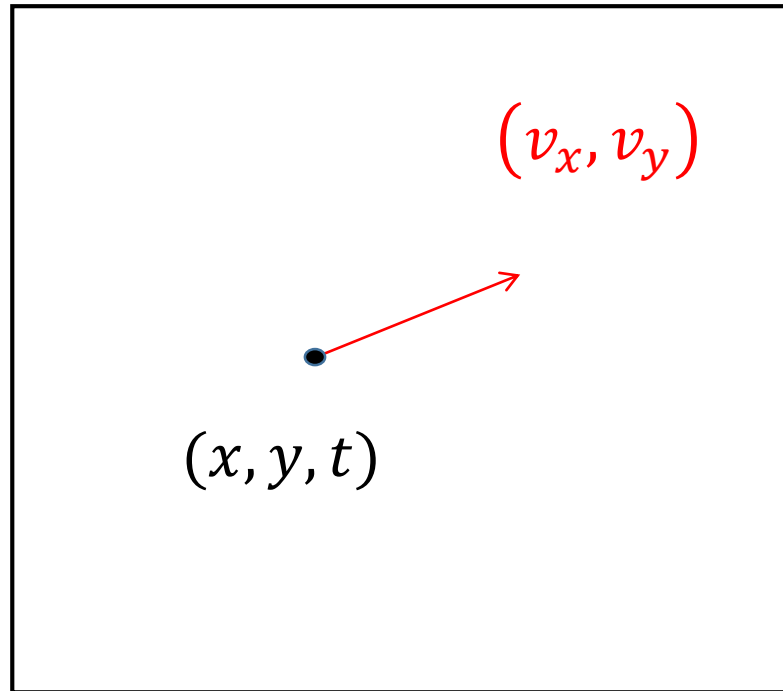
# Intensity changes in XYT

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} I(x, y, t), \frac{\partial}{\partial y} I(x, y, t), \frac{\partial}{\partial t} I(x, y, t) \right)$$

is the 3D spatio-temporal gradient at  $(x, y, t)$ .



Suppose that image “objects” are “moving”.  
(What do these terms mean?)



# Intensity conservation

Assume a moving point's intensity doesn't change over time.

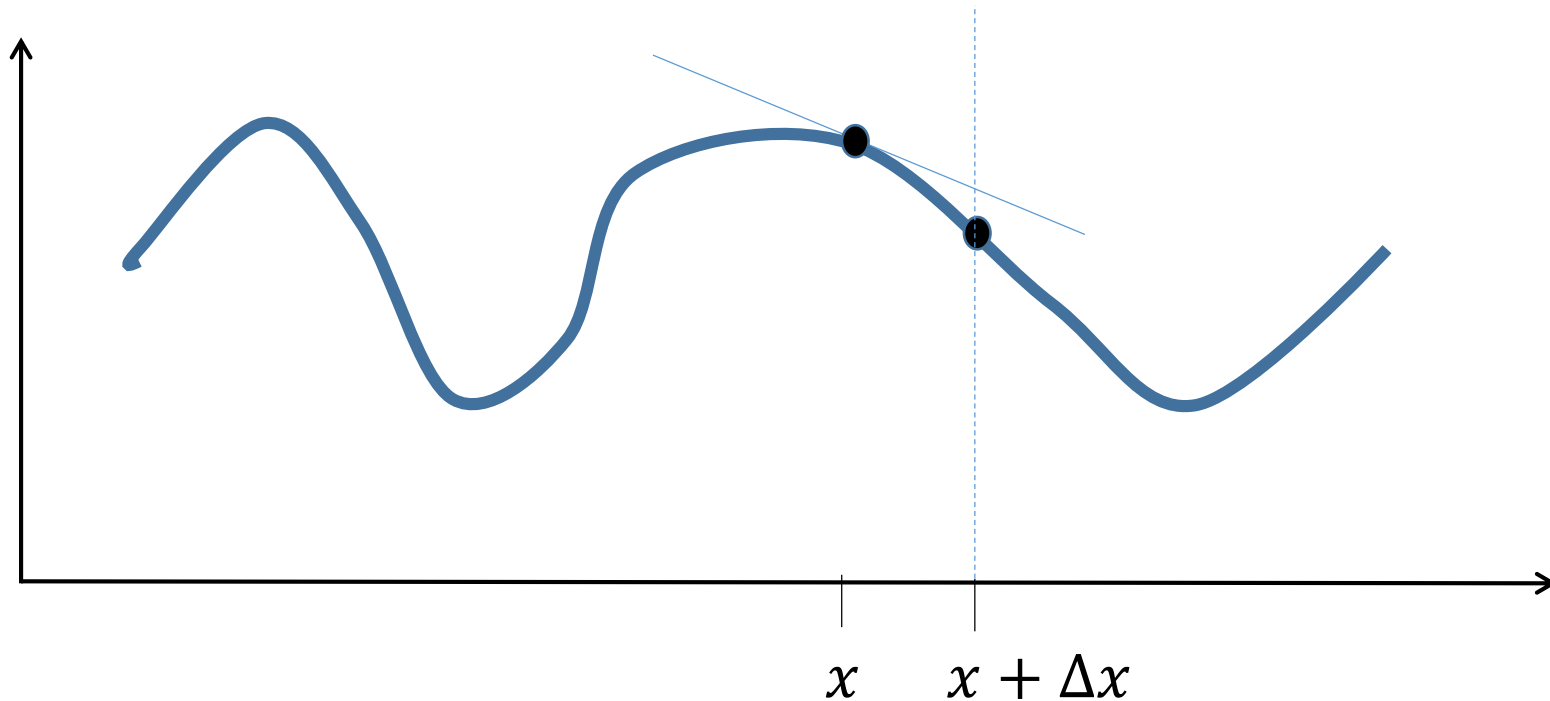
$$I(x, y, t) = I(x + v_x \Delta t, y + v_y \Delta t, t + \Delta t)$$

This is similar to the assumption made last lecture, namely that the left and right images are related by a (disparity) shift.

# Taylor series

$$\begin{aligned} & I(x + v_x \Delta t, \quad y + v_y \Delta t, \quad t + \Delta t) \\ &= I(x, y, t) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} I(x, y, t) v_x \Delta t \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} I(x, y, t) v_y \Delta t \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} I(x, y, t) \Delta t \quad + \quad \text{H.O.T.} \end{aligned}$$

$$I(x + \Delta x) \approx I(x) + \frac{\partial I}{\partial x} \Delta x$$



We can estimate  $\frac{\partial I}{\partial x}$  by taking  $\frac{I(x + 1) - I(x - 1)}{2}$ .



cancel because of intensity conservation

$$\cancel{I(x + v_x \Delta t, y + v_y \Delta t, t + \Delta t)}$$

$$= \cancel{I(x, y, t)} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} I(x, y, t) v_x \Delta t$$

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} I(x, y, t) v_y \Delta t \approx 0$$

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} I(x, y, t) \Delta t + \cancel{\text{H.O.T.}}$$

# “Motion Constraint Equation”

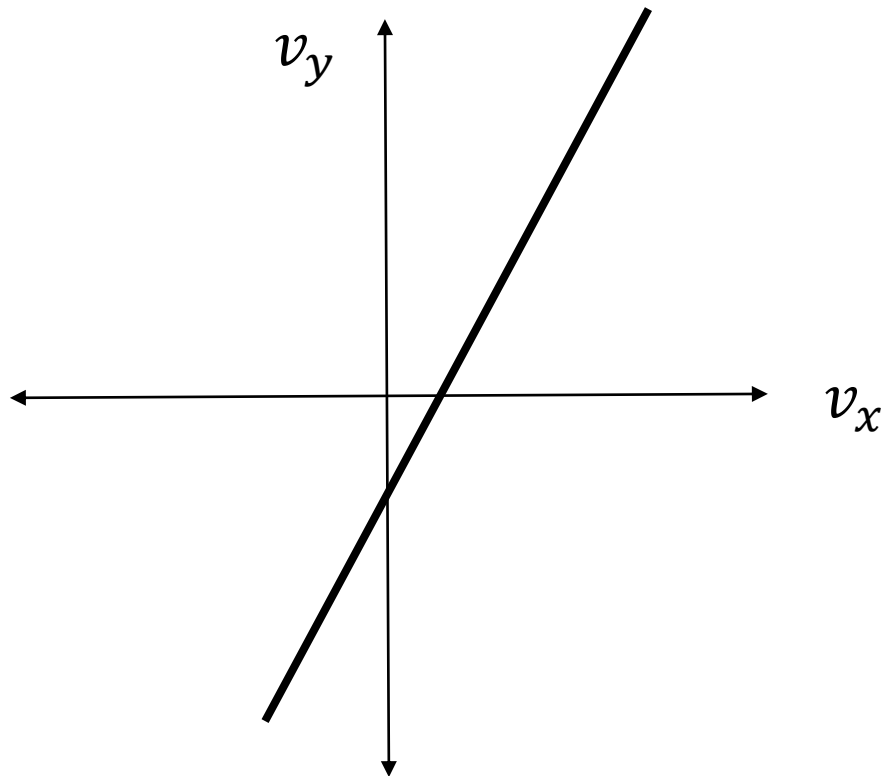
Previous slides (and assumptions) imply:

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} v_x + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} v_y + \frac{\partial I}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial I}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial I}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial I}{\partial t} \right) \cdot (v_x, v_y, 1) = 0$$

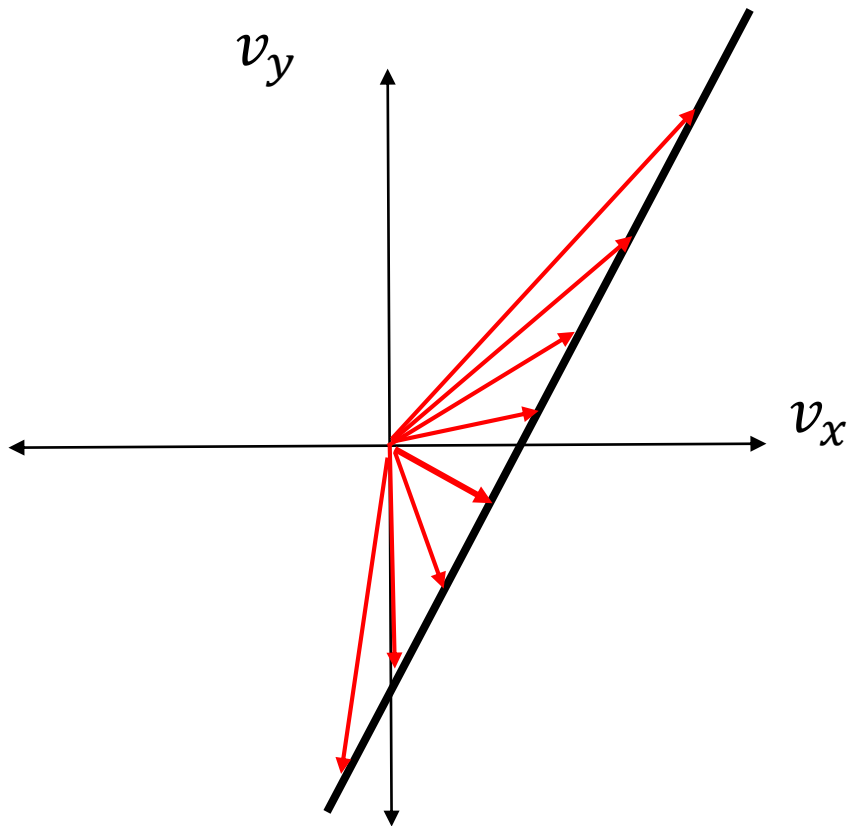
Motion constraint equation is a line in *velocity space*

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} v_x + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} v_y + \frac{\partial I}{\partial t} = 0$$



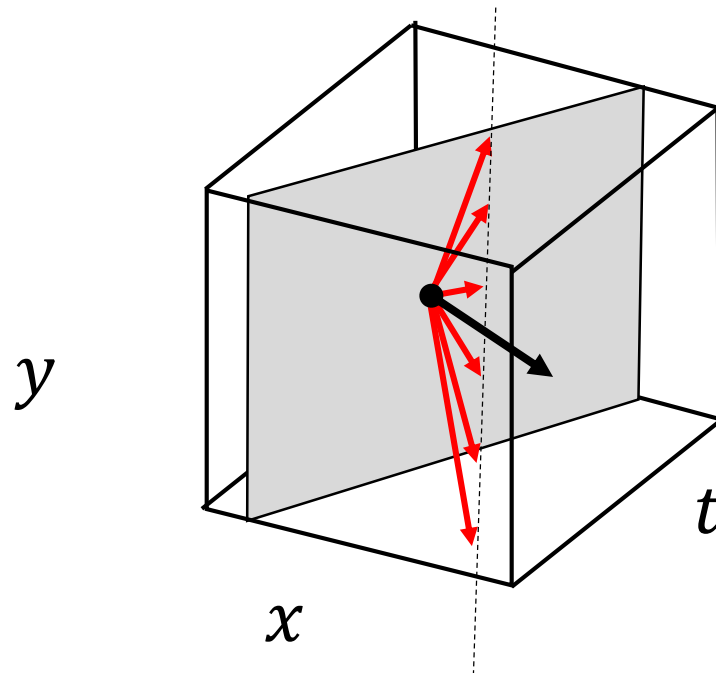
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But many velocities satisfy this equation.



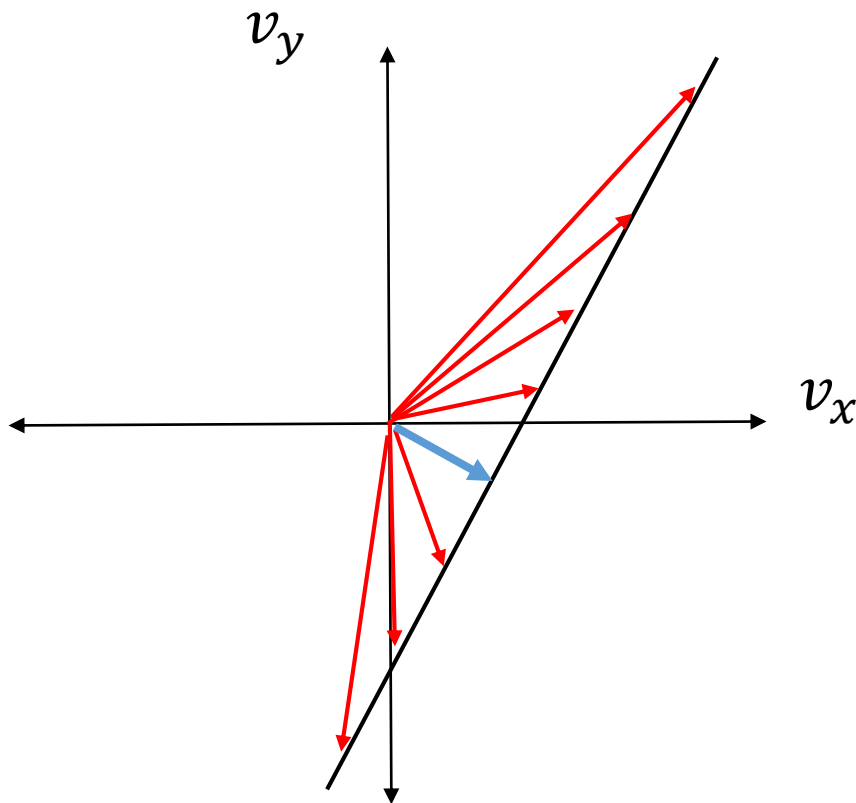
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The black vector in the figure below is the 3D image gradient. It is perpendicular to the gray plane. The red vectors are perpendicular to the 3D image gradient (see equation) and thus the red vectors lie in the grey plane.



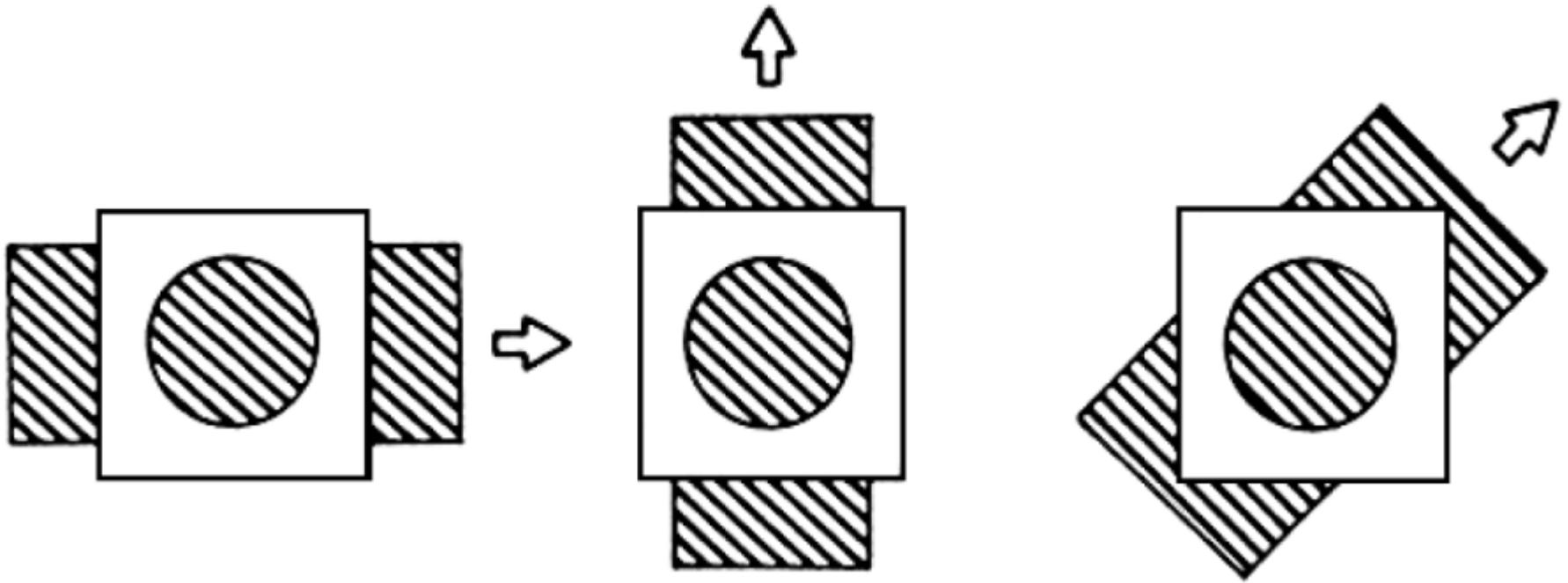
# Normal velocity

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial x} v_x + \frac{\partial I}{\partial y} v_y + \frac{\partial I}{\partial t} = 0$$



“Normal velocity” is the velocity component in the direction of the XY gradient.

# “Aperture Problem”

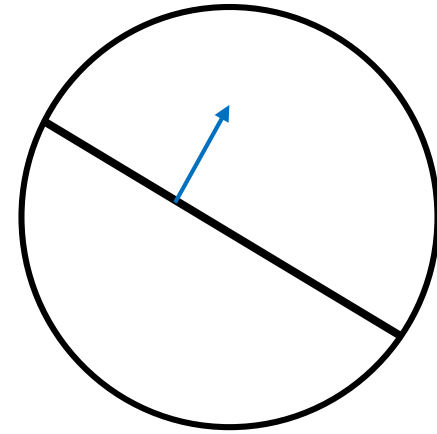


The same issue arises with any 1D pattern  
e.g. single bar, edge, constant gradient.

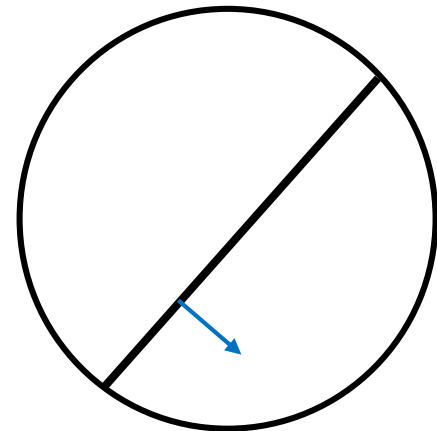
# Solution of Aperture Problem

We need more than one line or edge (or gradient orientation).

Could be in the same aperture or neighboring aperture.



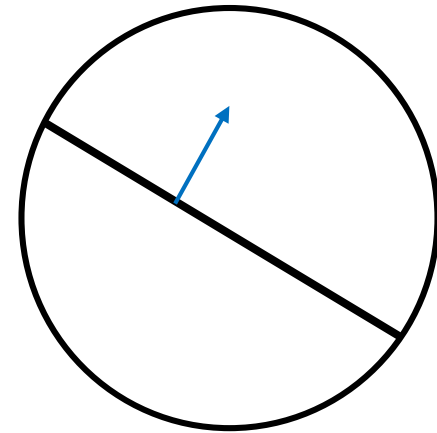
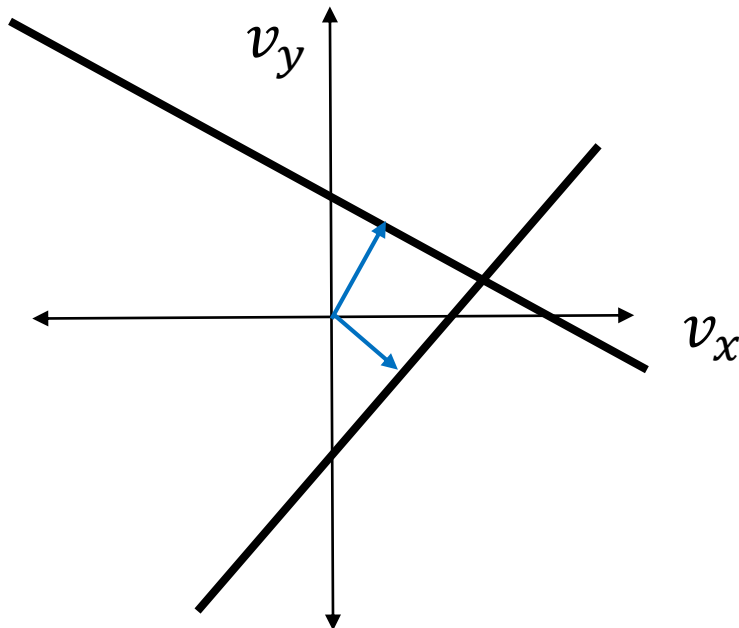
normal velocities shown



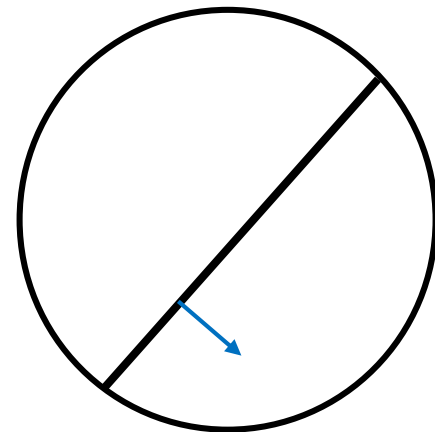


# “Intersection of Constraints” (IOC)

Suppose two nearby points have two *different spatial gradients* and the *same image velocity*.



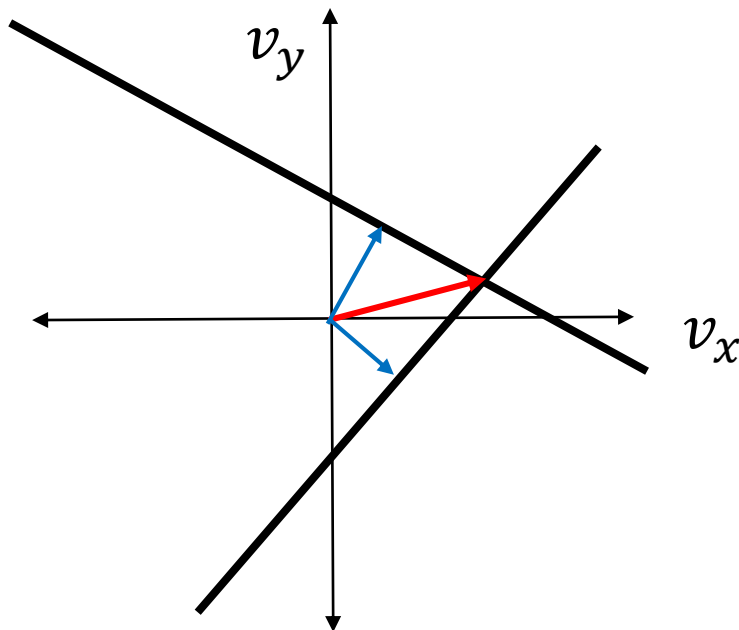
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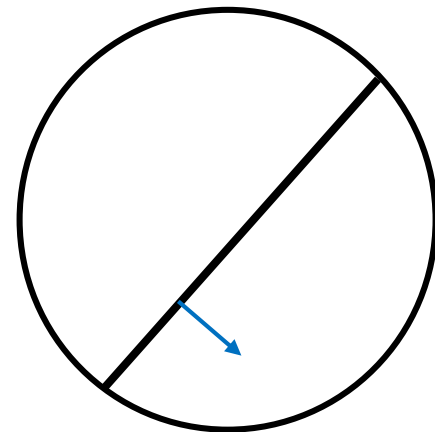
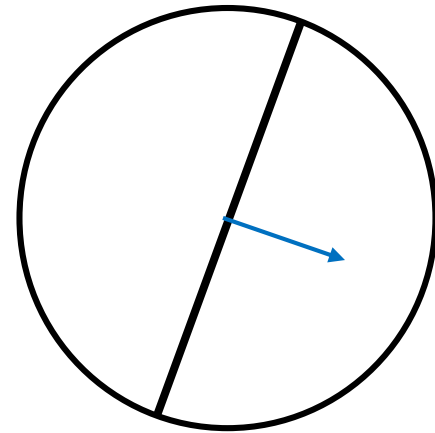
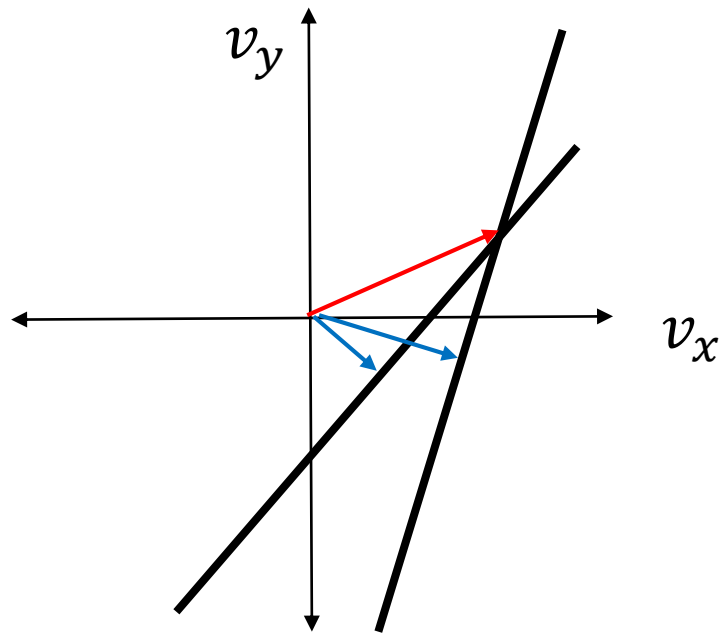
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IOC gives a  
unique solution.

# Another Example (counterintuitive)



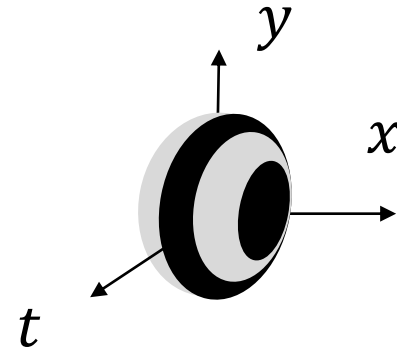
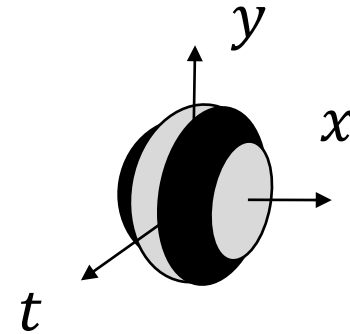
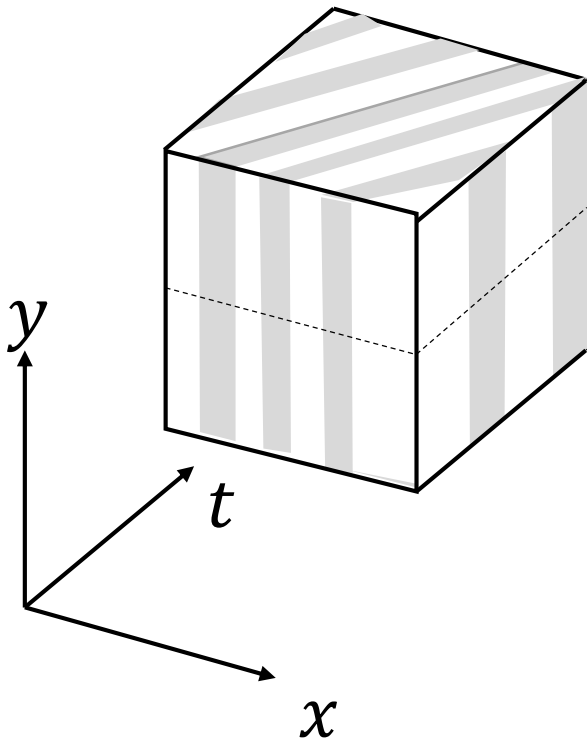
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# Recall: XYT Gabor

$$\sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}(k_0 x + k_1 y) + \frac{2\pi}{T}\omega t\right) G(x, y, t, \sigma_x, \sigma_y, \sigma_t)$$

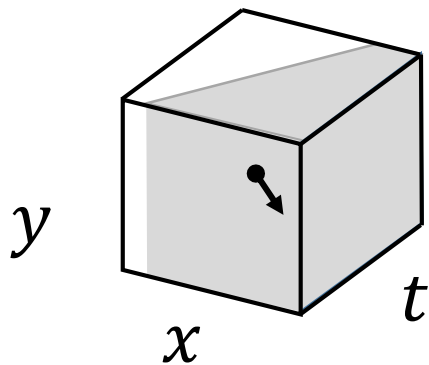
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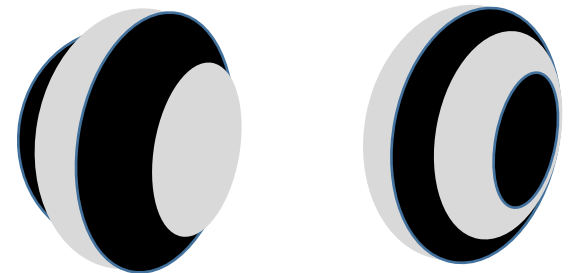
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We should get maximum response from a Gabor whose frequency  $(k_0, k_1, \omega)$  is parallel to intensity gradient.

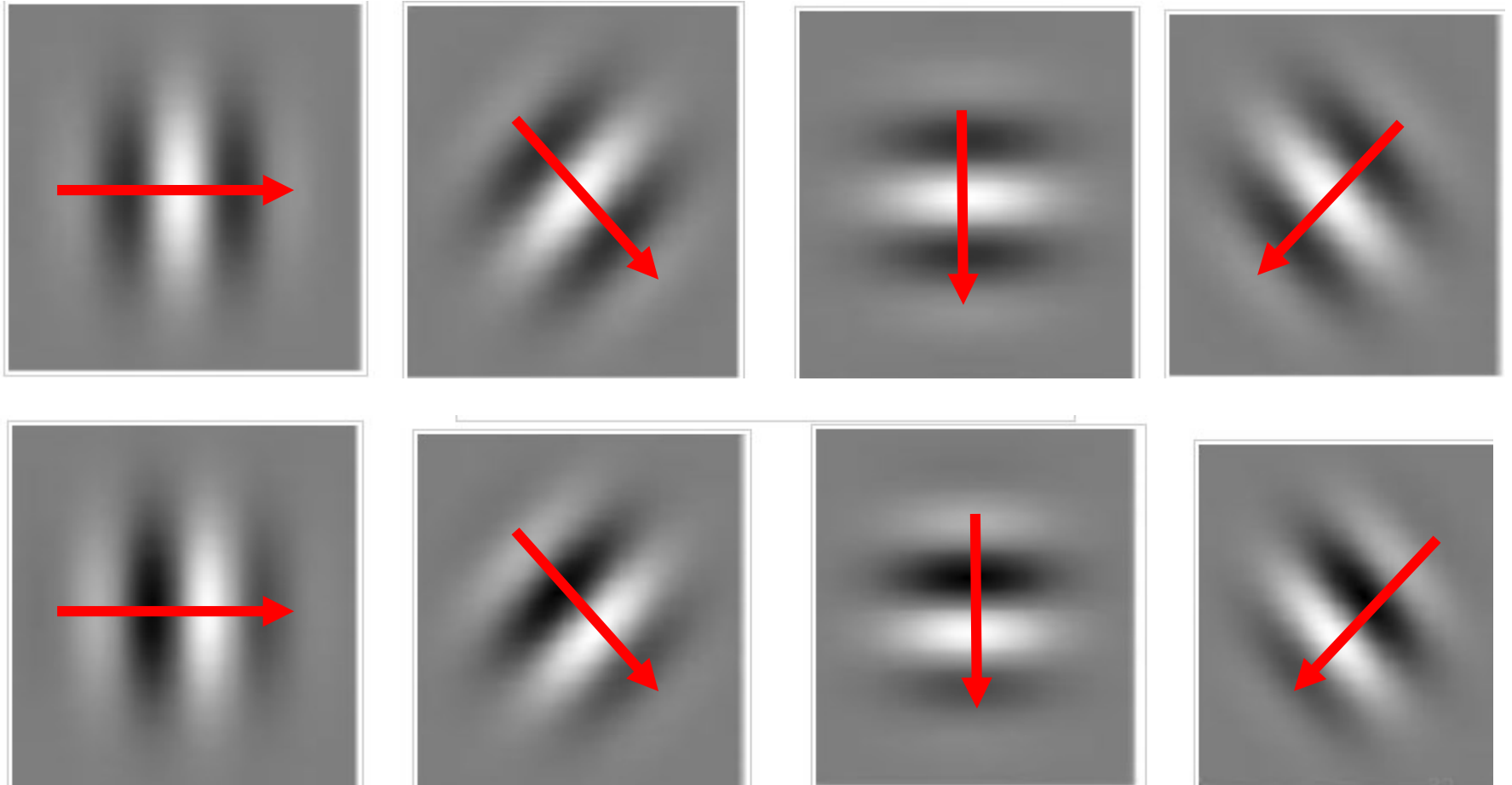
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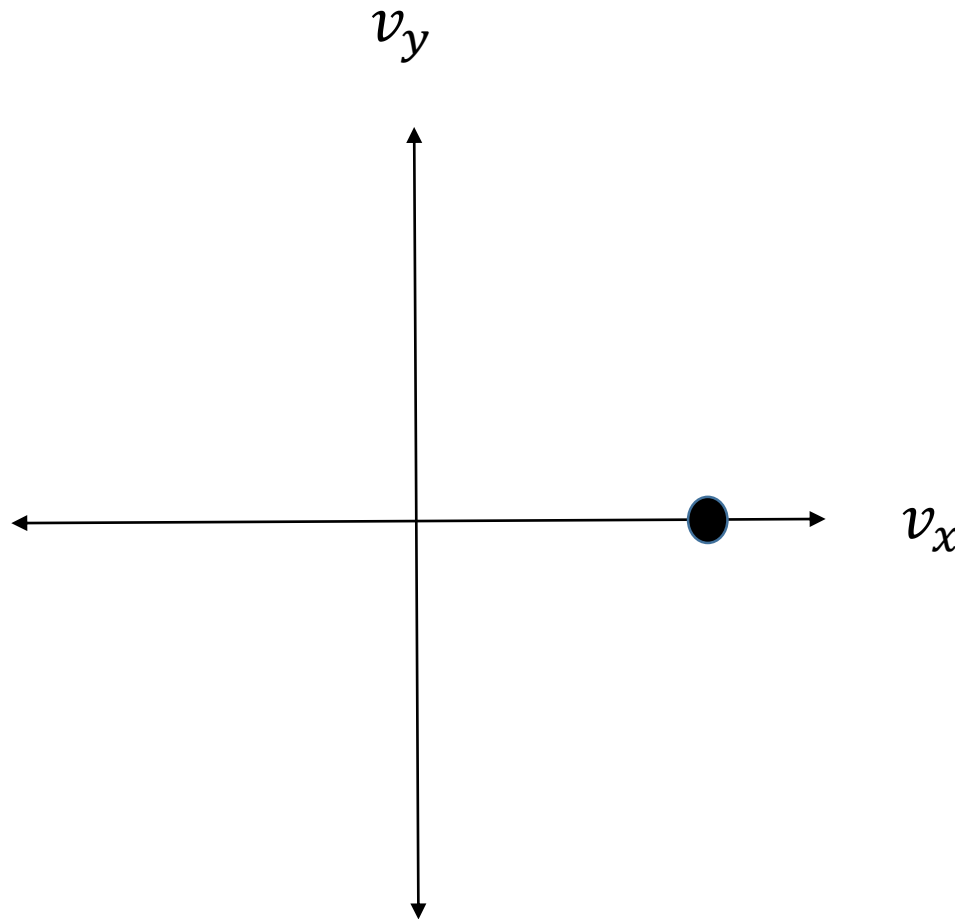


Each motion sensitive V1 cell is sensitive only to the 1D motion component perpendicular to its orientation.



Suppose true motion vector  $(v_x, v_y)$  is toward the right and the image contains lots of oriented structure in each local neighborhood.

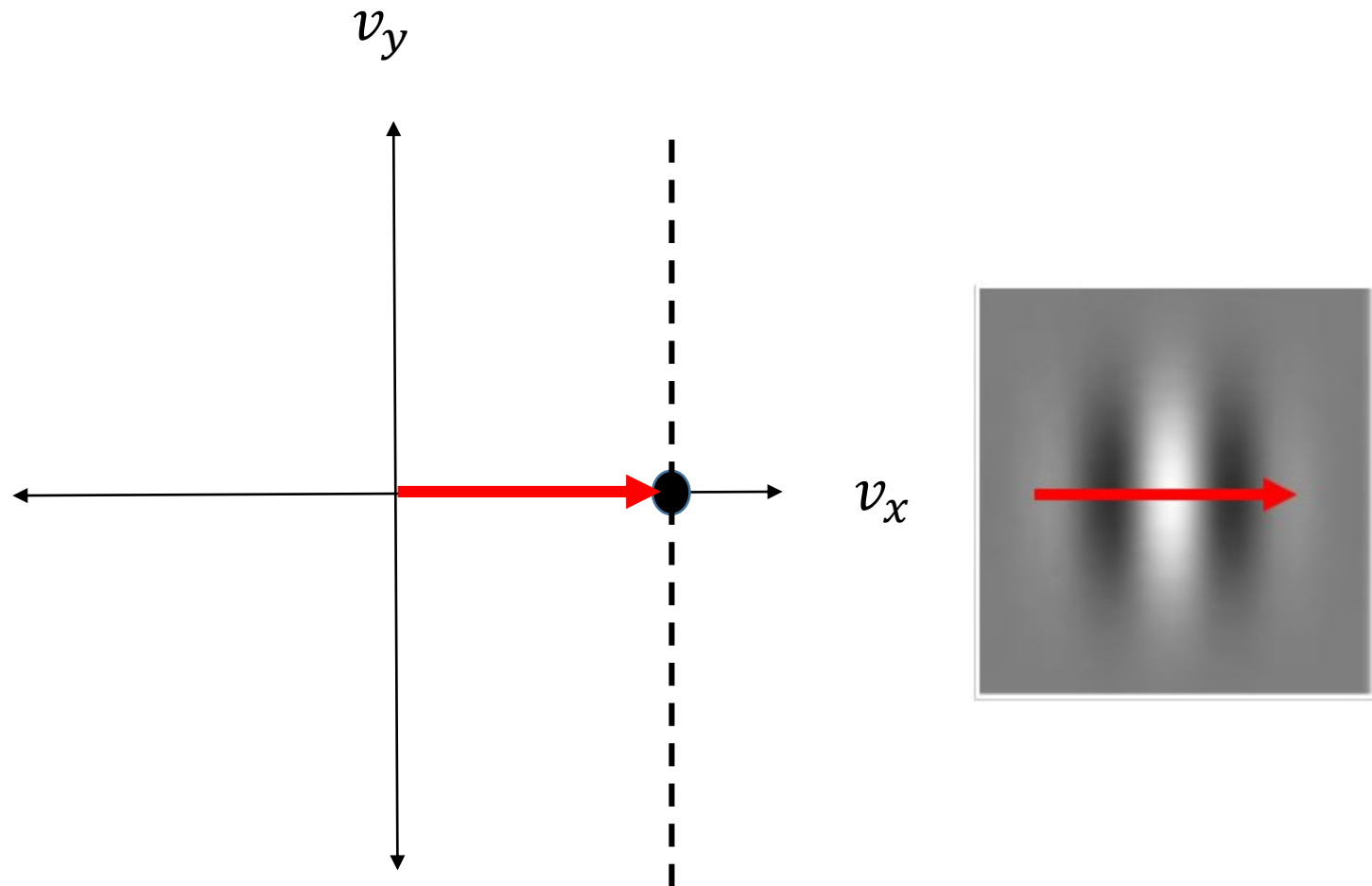
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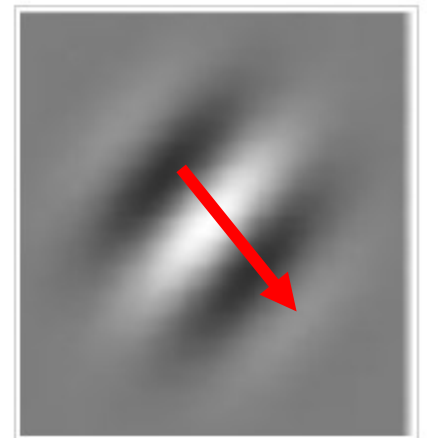
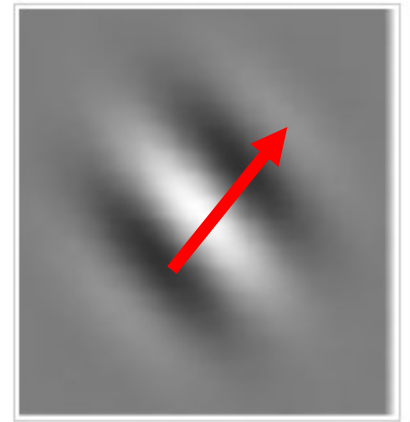
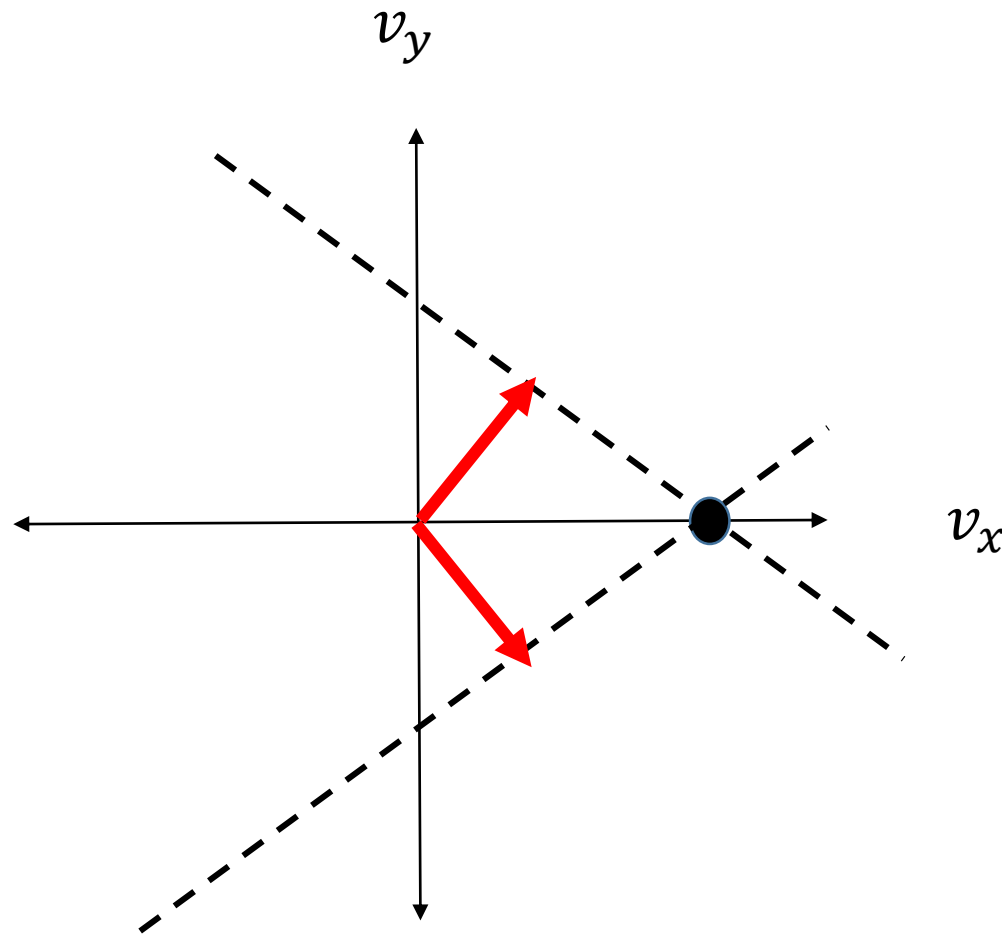
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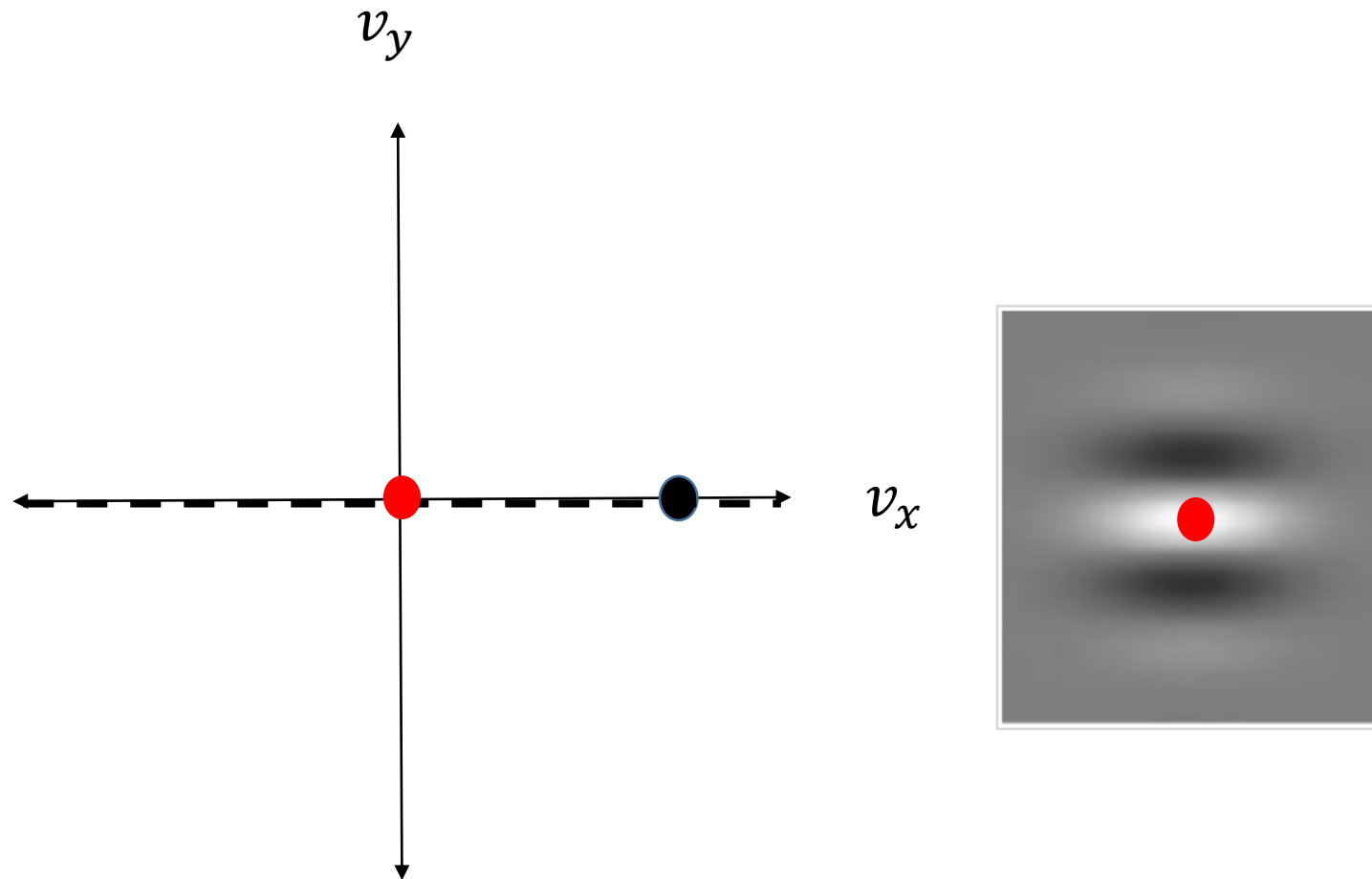
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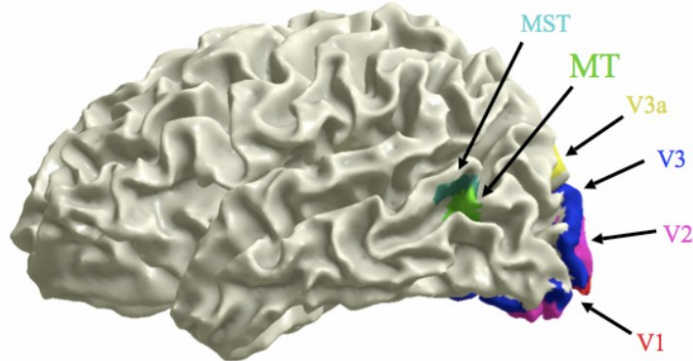


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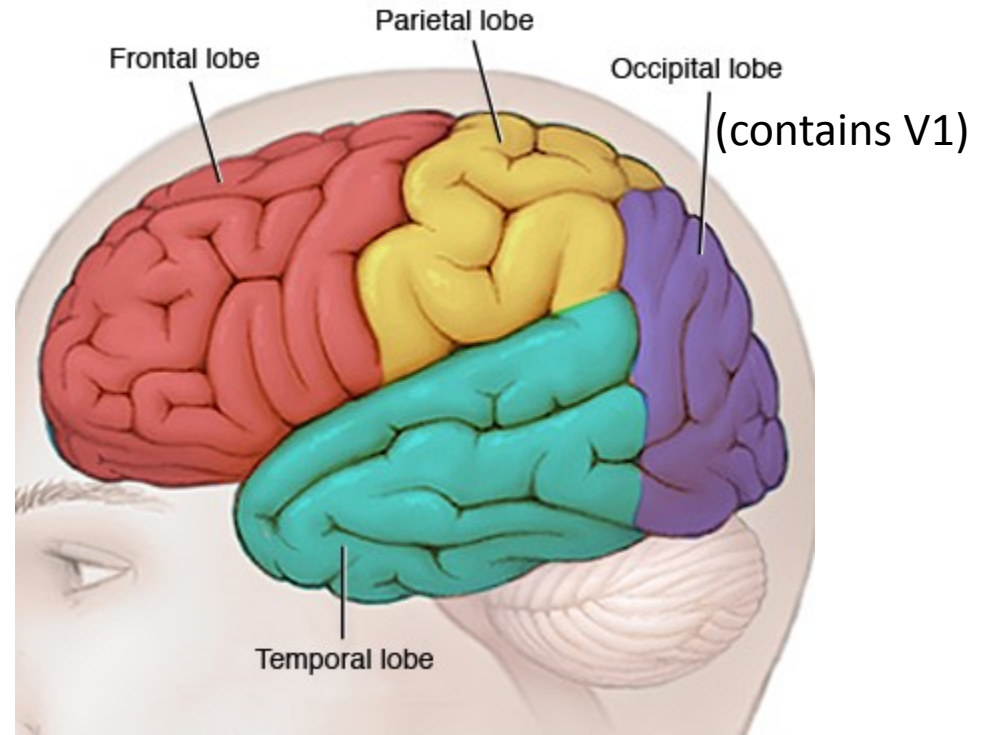
# Motion pathway in the brain



MST ← MT ← V1

(next lecture)

(today)



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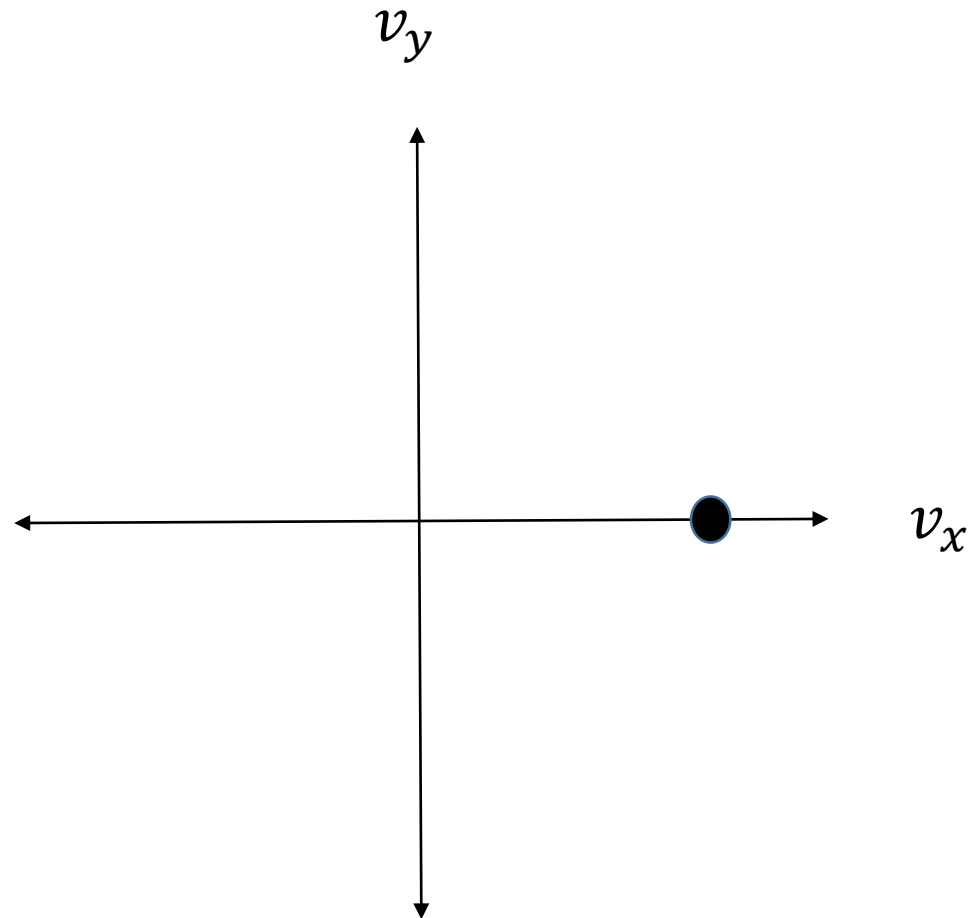
(temporal lobe contains motion area MT and MST :  
"middle temporal" & "medial superior temporal")

# V1 → MT

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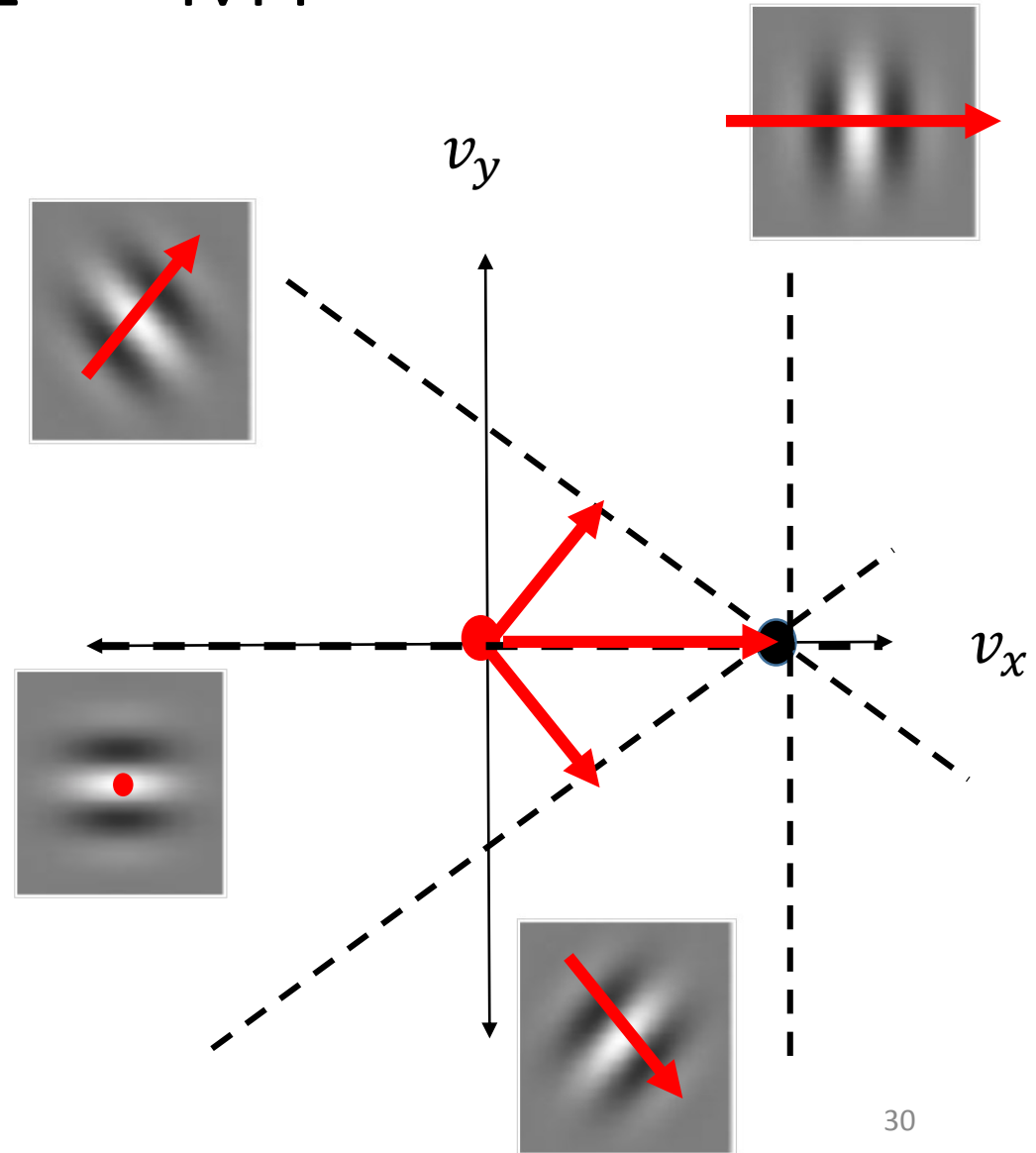


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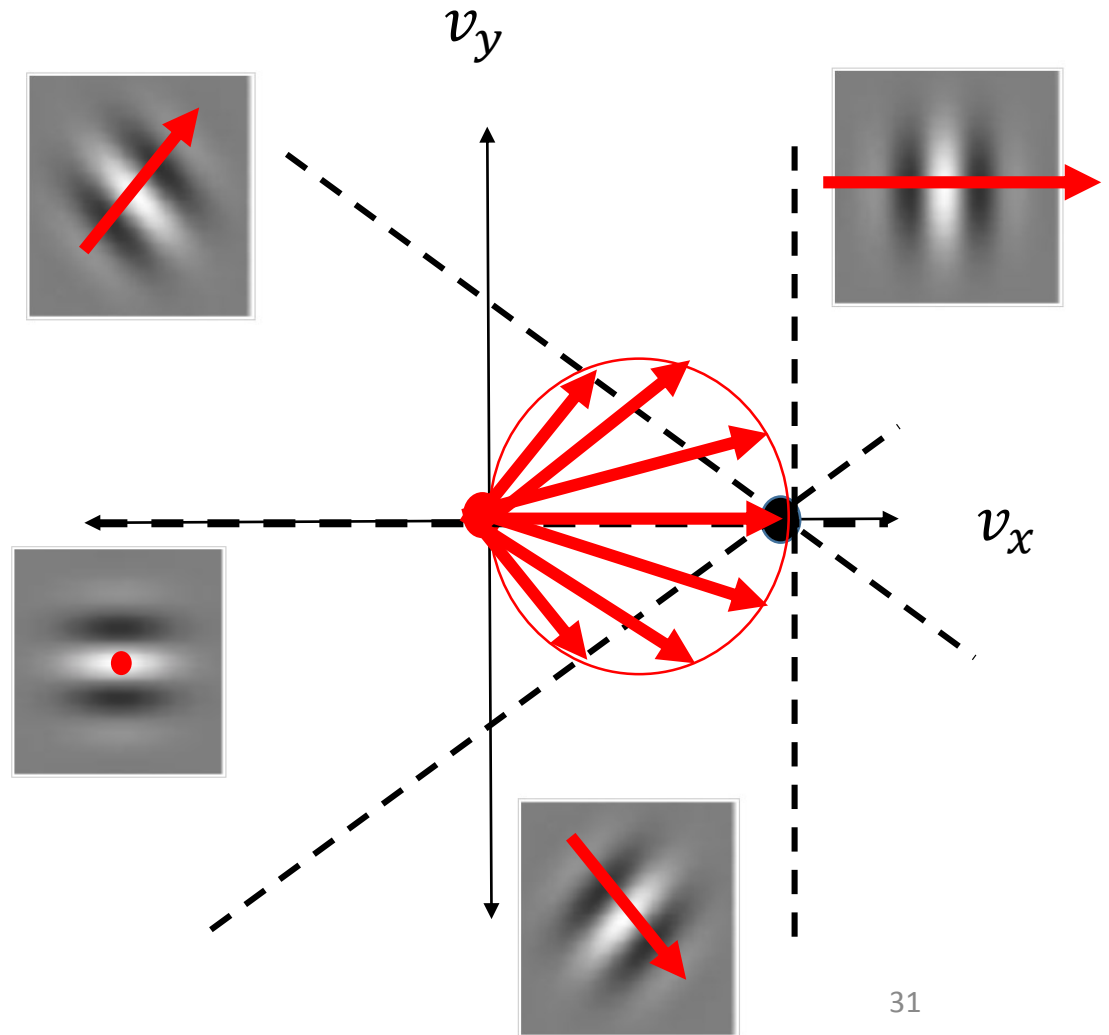
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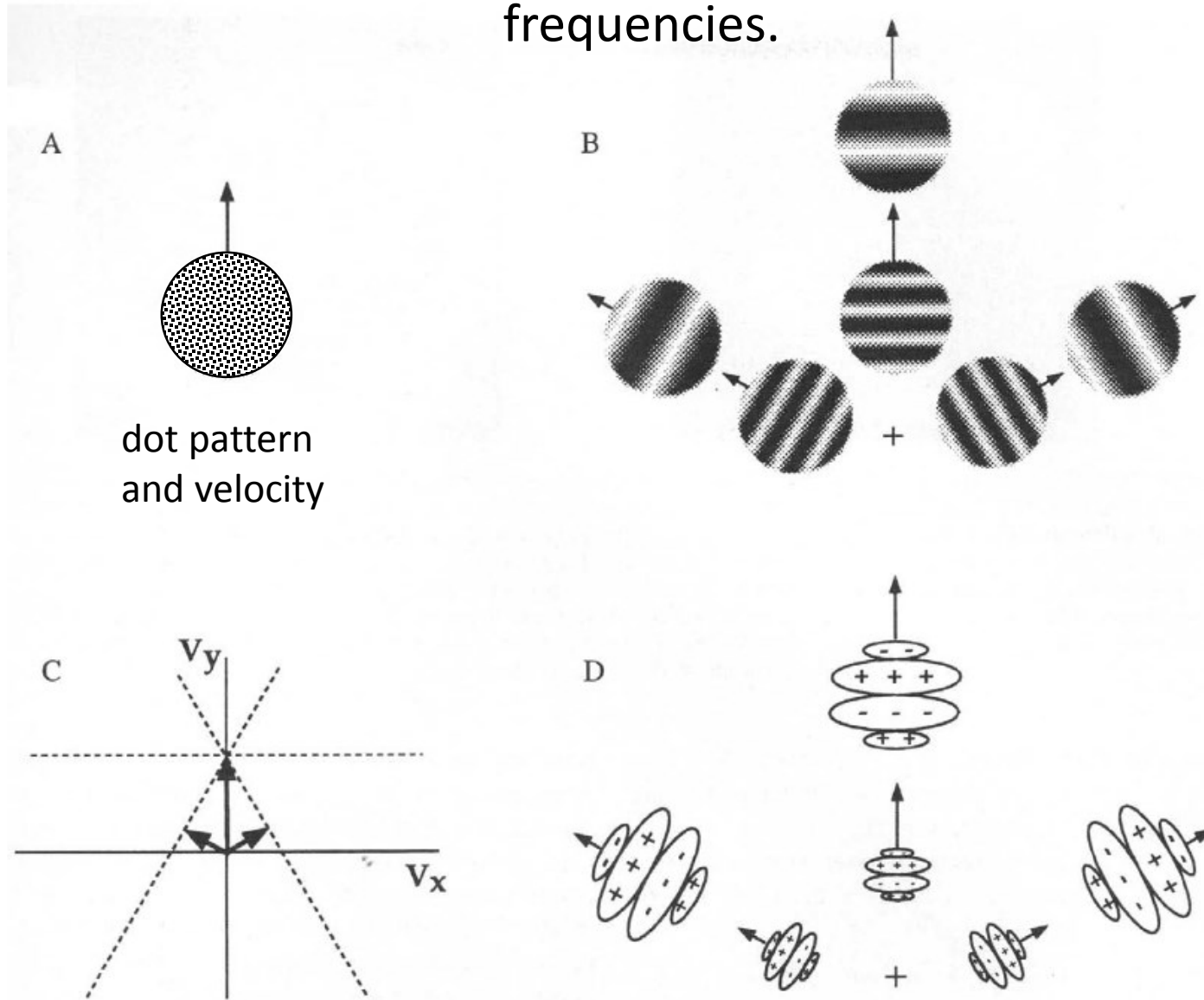


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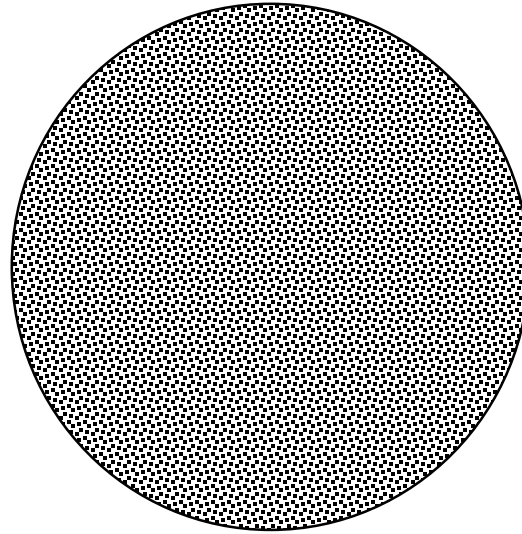
For any velocity vector, there is a family of orientation/motion tuned V1 cells that would respond well, provided the moving image contains the spatial orientation that this cell is sensitive to.



Gabors can have different sizes and spatial frequencies.







Random dot patterns (such as above) contain oriented structure at all frequencies.

Later in the course when we discuss linear systems and Fourier transforms, you will learn a more formal (mathematical) statement of what this means.