

Can signal density explain other quantities besides the asymptotic SNR ratio?

In this iteration I removed all the conditions on session selection that I had earlier. Now the only condition is that the number of neurons must be larger than 200 (150 before) and the number of trials must be greater than 40 (15 before) per direction. When I originally selected the 107 sessions, the conditions were neurons > 150, trials > 15 and mean decoding error < 6cm. So the change here is to make the first two conditions more stringent, and the result is that 71 sessions pass the conditions (and only 10 mice). It looks like this change really improves the correlations of several of the variables.

Initialization:

```
org = Org;  
org.load_definitions;
```

```
org.session_properties_dataset;
```

Here is the correspondence with the asymptotic SNR ratio:

```
plot_pair(org, 'signal_density', 'asyp_ratio');
```

Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Mouse-aggregated correlations signal\_density vs. asyp\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = 0.930$

Pearson: -0.968,  $p = 4.195672e-06$ , \*\*\*

Spearman: -0.976,  $p = 0.000000e+00$ , \*\*\*

Kendall: -0.911,  $p = 2.976190e-05$ , \*\*\*

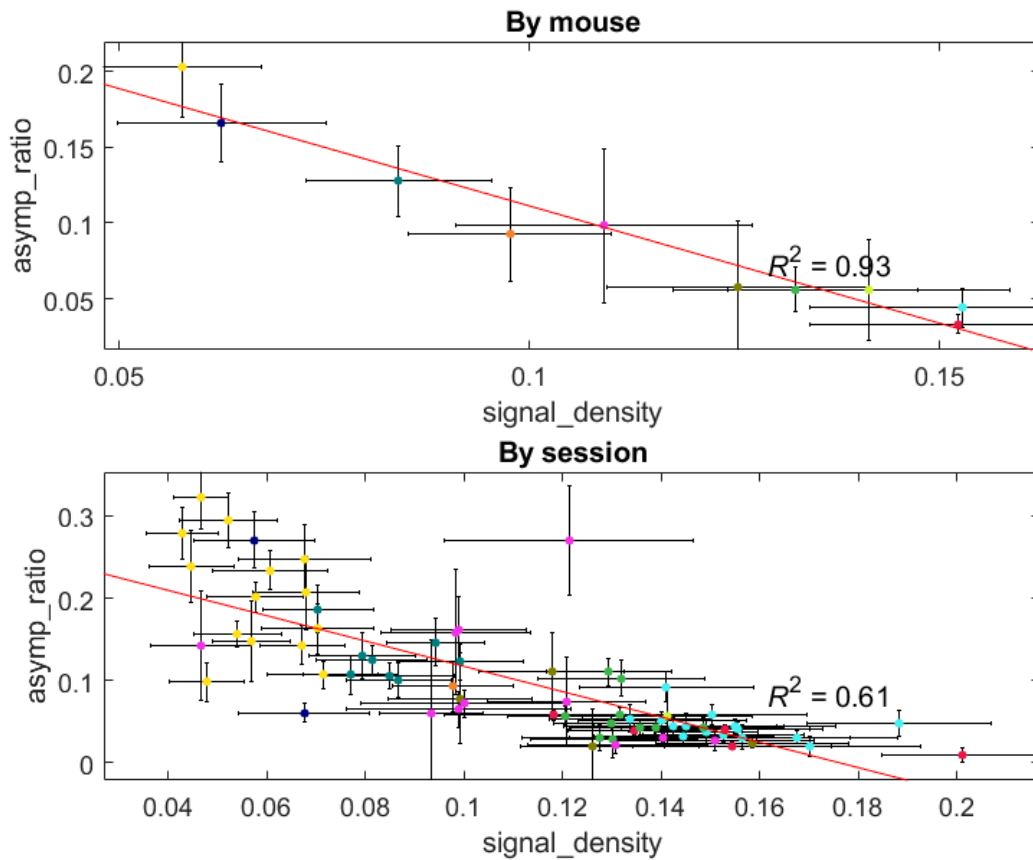
Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Sessionwise correlations signal\_density vs. asyp\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = 0.607$

Pearson: -0.783,  $p = 7.684910e-16$ , \*\*\*

Spearman: -0.840,  $p = 0.000000e+00$ , \*\*\*

Kendall: -0.652,  $p = 9.656072e-16$ , \*\*\*



We can try the ratio of N50 (real/shuffled) (95% confidence intervals, with uncertainty propagated from the curve fitting):

```
plot_pair(org, 'signal_density', 'N50_ratio');
```

Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Mouse-aggregated correlations signal\_density vs. N50\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = 0.004$

Pearson: -0.338,  $p = 3.393891e-01$ , n.s

Spearman: -0.370,  $p = 2.956041e-01$ , n.s

Kendall: -0.200,  $p = 4.843127e-01$ , n.s

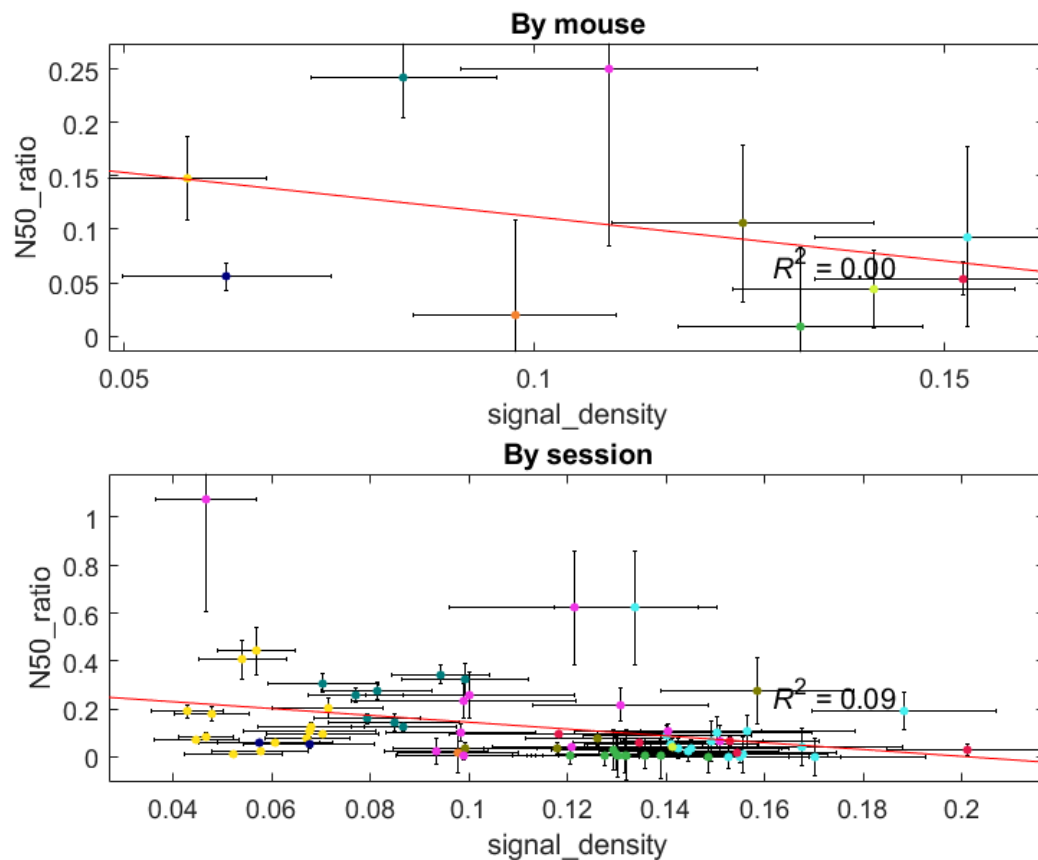
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Sessionwise correlations signal\_density vs. N50\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = 0.089$

Pearson: -0.319,  $p = 6.673511e-03$ , \*\*

Spearman: -0.385,  $p = 9.280416e-04$ , \*\*\*

Kendall: -0.255,  $p = 1.677886e-03$ , \*\*



Using signal density with the ratio of ION from the decoding results:

```
plot_pair(org, 'signal_density', 'I0N_ratio');
```

Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Mouse-aggregated correlations signal\_density vs. I0N\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = 0.073$

Pearson: -0.419,  $p = 2.277488e-01$ , n.s

Spearman: -0.394,  $p = 2.628868e-01$ , n.s

Kendall: -0.244,  $p = 3.807198e-01$ , n.s

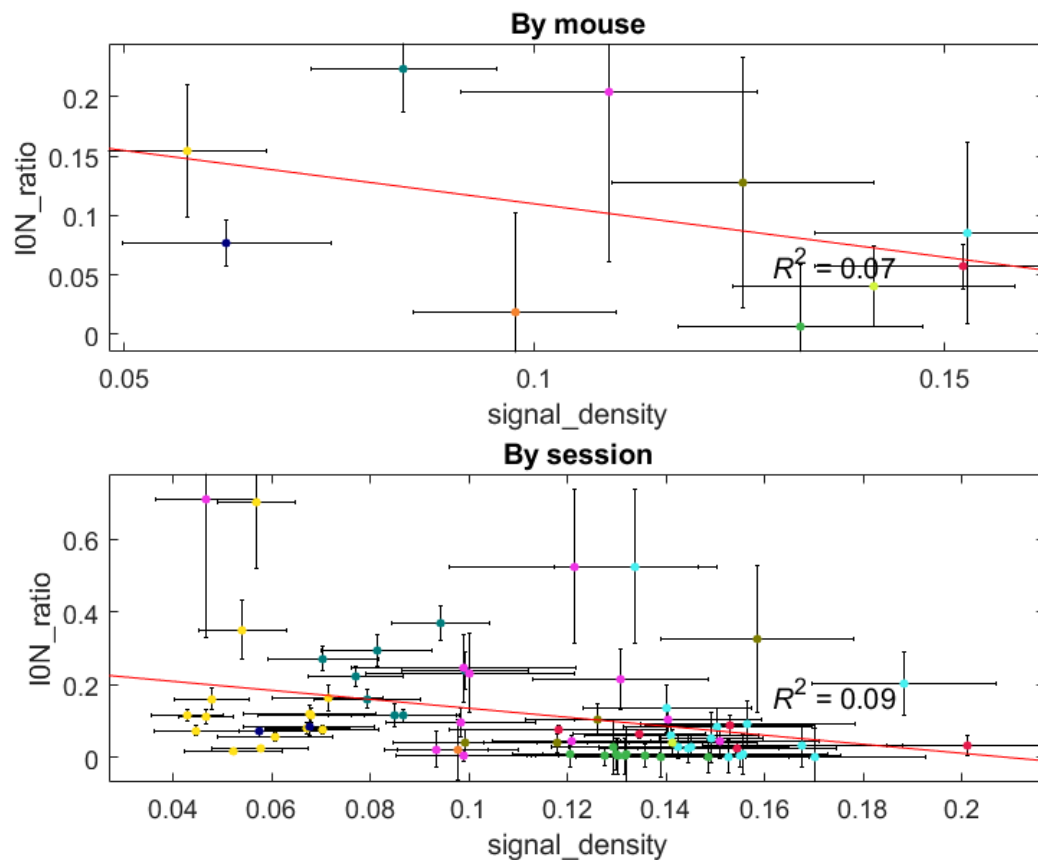
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Sessionwise correlations signal\_density vs. I0N\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = 0.090$

Pearson: -0.320,  $p = 6.453055e-03$ , \*\*

Spearman: -0.400,  $p = 5.418564e-04$ , \*\*\*

Kendall: -0.270,  $p = 8.978901e-04$ , \*\*\*



Signal density with the IMSE ratio at 150 neurons:

```
plot_pair(org, 'signal_density', 'IMSE_150_ratio');
```

Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Mouse-aggregated correlations signal\_density vs. IMSE\_150\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = 0.328$

Pearson: -0.635,  $p = 4.871625e-02$ , \*

Spearman: -0.503,  $p = 1.433668e-01$ , n.s

Kendall: -0.289,  $p = 2.912483e-01$ , n.s

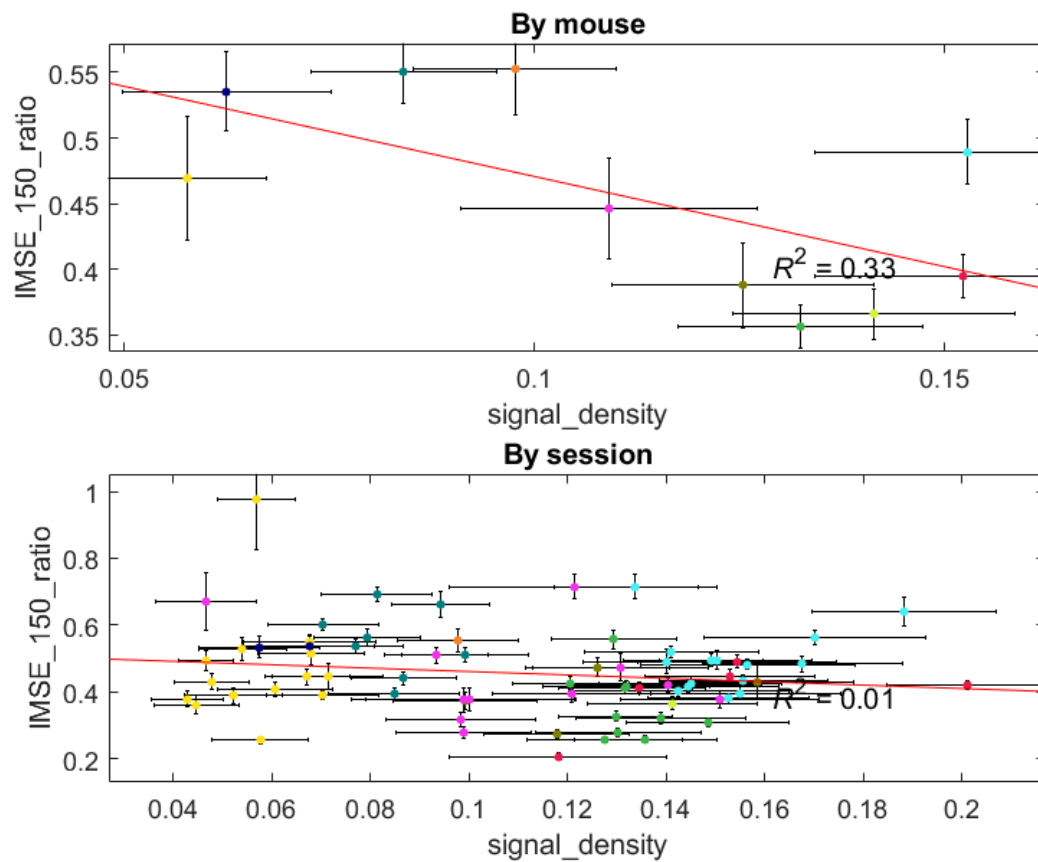
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Sessionwise correlations signal\_density vs. IMSE\_150\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = 0.011$

Pearson: -0.158,  $p = 1.890097e-01$ , n.s

Spearman: -0.100,  $p = 4.050226e-01$ , n.s

Kendall: -0.043,  $p = 5.953391e-01$ , n.s



Signal density with 1/N50

```
plot_pair(org, 'signal_density', 'invN50');
```

Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Mouse-aggregated correlations signal\_density vs. invN50: adj.  $R^2 = -0.099$

Pearson: 0.151,  $p = 6.778130e-01$ , n.s

Spearman: 0.115,  $p = 7.588331e-01$ , n.s

Kendall: 0.111,  $p = 7.274895e-01$ , n.s

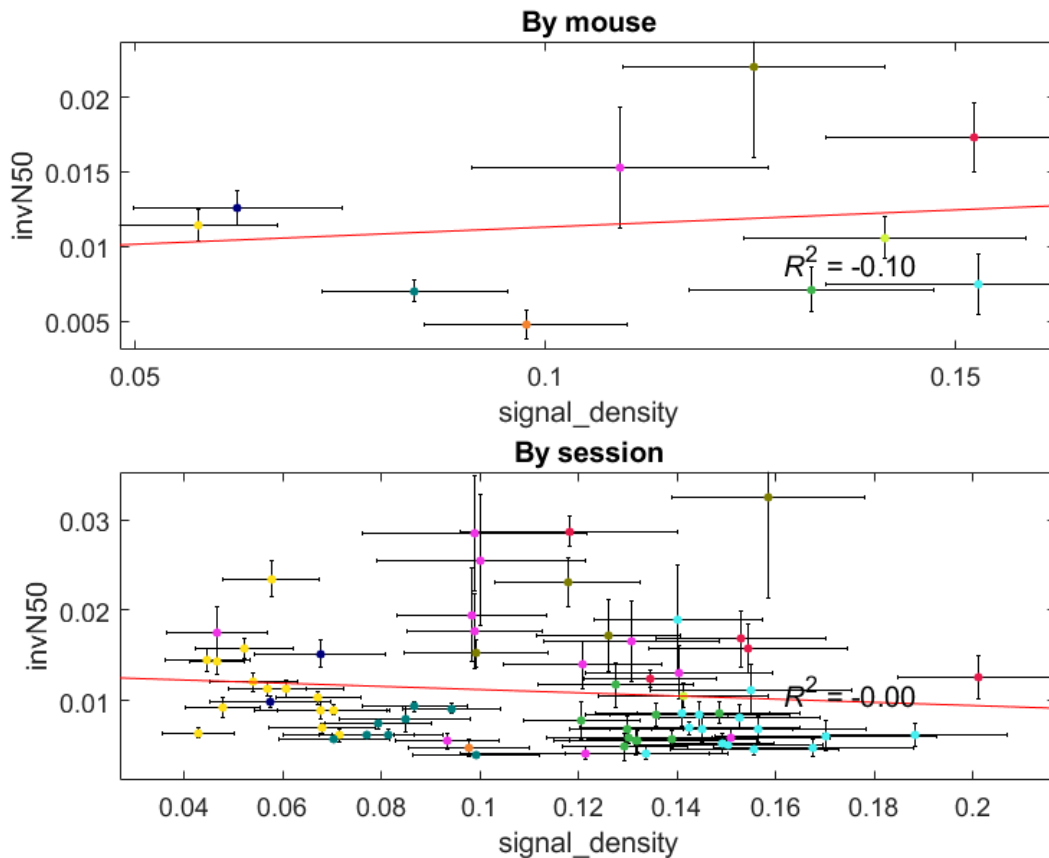
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Sessionwise correlations signal\_density vs. invN50: adj.  $R^2 = -0.002$

Pearson: -0.109,  $p = 3.667282e-01$ , n.s

Spearman: -0.216,  $p = 6.978284e-02$ , n.s

Kendall: -0.154,  $p = 5.860215e-02$ , n.s



This is the relationship between  $\cos^2$  overlap and N50 that I sent before, it does look significant, but likely not the only factor.

This plot was supposed to be analogous to the one with gamma from Panzeri. The area of the  $\cos^2$  for the 5 largest eigenvectors was meant to be a more principled way to measure the overlap between signal and noise directions in N-dimensions. Gamma only does it for 2 dimensions, and uses random projections onto subgroups of neurons, but the goal of the  $\cos^2$  area and gamma is the same.

The inverse of N50 is proportional to the added amount of input noise in the model equation  $I(n) = I_0 \cdot n / (1 + n/N)$  (see equation 1 in Moreno-Bote 2014). Therefore, N50 is a measure of the information-limiting effect due to correlations.

```
plot_pair(org, 'cos2_area_5', 'invN50');
```

Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Mouse-aggregated correlations cos2\_area\_5 vs. invN50: adj.  $R^2 = 0.112$

Pearson: 0.459,  $p = 1.821979e-01$ , n.s

Spearman: 0.600,  $p = 7.311988e-02$ , n.s

Kendall: 0.422,  $p = 1.083135e-01$ , n.s

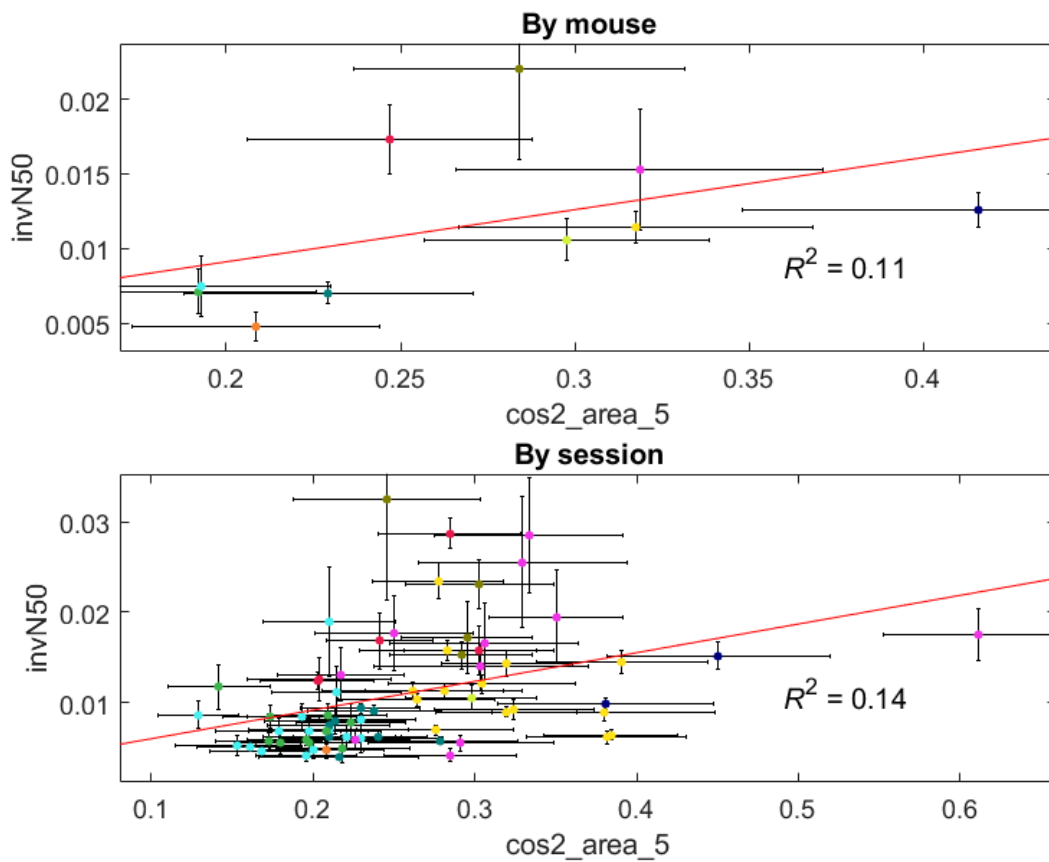
Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Sessionwise correlations cos2\_area\_5 vs. invN50: adj.  $R^2 = 0.139$

Pearson: 0.389,  $p = 7.932826e-04$ , \*\*\*

Spearman: 0.523,  $p = 2.916751e-06$ , \*\*\*

Kendall: 0.353,  $p = 1.404032e-05$ , \*\*\*



```
plot_pair(org, 'cos2_area_5', 'I0N_ratio');
```

Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Mouse-aggregated correlations cos2\_area\_5 vs. I0N\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = -0.050$

Pearson: 0.259,  $p = 4.700212e-01$ , n.s

Spearman: 0.418,  $p = 2.324181e-01$ , n.s

Kendall: 0.333,  $p = 2.163735e-01$ , n.s

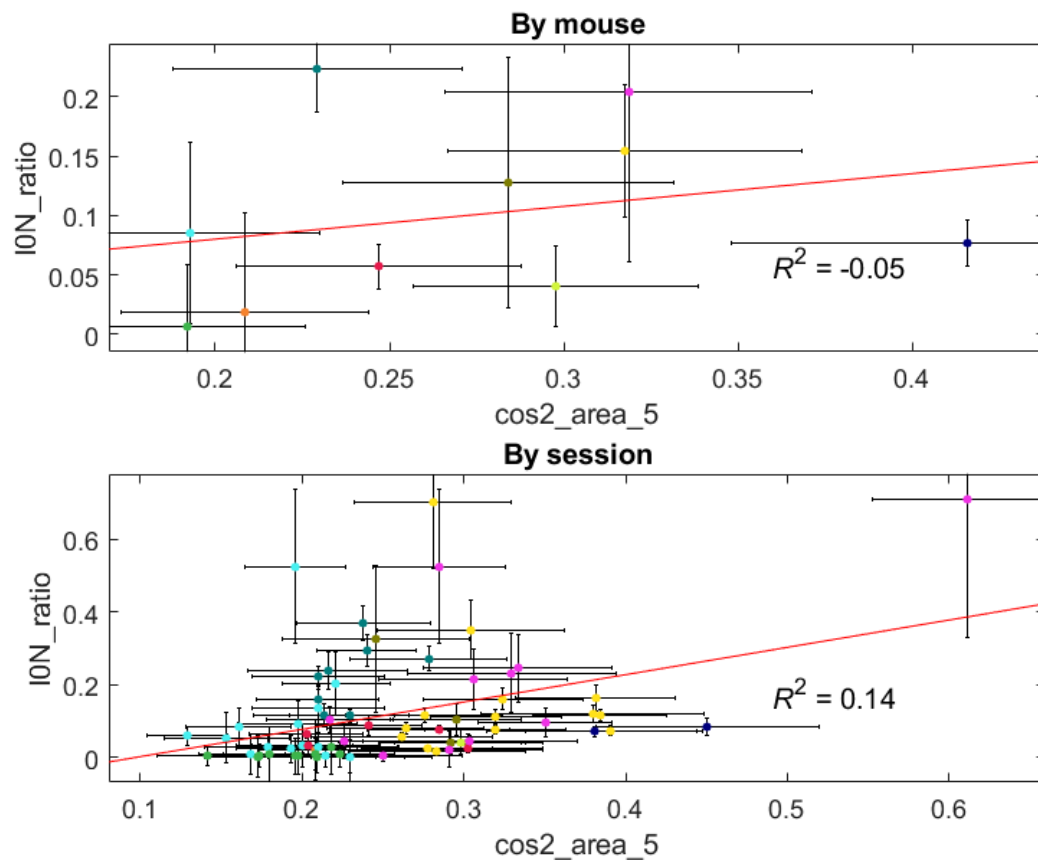
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Sessionwise correlations cos2\_area\_5 vs. I0N\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = 0.139$

Pearson: 0.388,  $p = 8.165115e-04$ , \*\*\*

Spearman: 0.435,  $p = 1.510922e-04$ , \*\*\*

Kendall: 0.287,  $p = 4.168427e-04$ , \*\*\*



This is the relationship between the asymptotic ratio and the ION ratio.

```
plot_pair(org, 'asyp_ratio', 'ION_ratio');
```

Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Mouse-aggregated correlations asyp\_ratio vs. ION\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = 0.102$

Pearson: 0.449,  $p = 1.932407e-01$ , n.s

Spearman: 0.503,  $p = 1.433668e-01$ , n.s

Kendall: 0.333,  $p = 2.163735e-01$ , n.s

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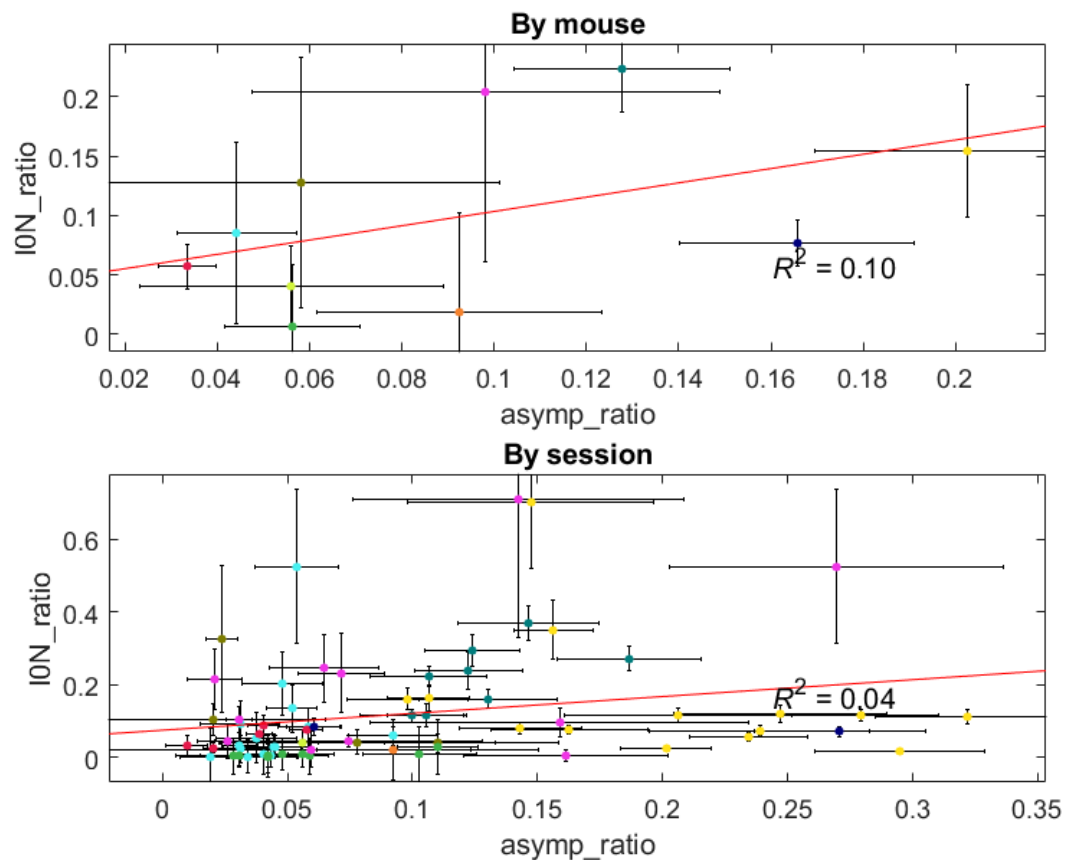
Sessionwise correlations asyp\_ratio vs. ION\_ratio: adj.  $R^2 = 0.042$

Pearson: 0.236,  $p = 4.723061e-02$ , \*

Spearman: 0.373,  $p = 1.360399e-03$ , \*\*

Kendall: 0.253,  $p = 1.856771e-03$ , \*\*





This is the relationship between the asymptotic SNR (not the ratio, just in the real data) and the ION value. It looks like there is a good trend except for a few distractor sessions (as above, the confidence region is larger than the value itself). This  $R^2$  needs to be good to argue for the validity of Figure 3. In Figure 3 I am currently removing the distractor sessions from the  $R^2$  calculation and it is = 0.5

```
plot_pair(org, 'asyp_snr', 'ION');
```

Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Mouse-aggregated correlations asyp\_snr vs. ION: adj.  $R^2 = 0.794$

Pearson: 0.904,  $p = 3.323948e-04$ , \*\*\*

Spearman: 0.891,  $p = 1.380267e-03$ , \*\*

Kendall: 0.733,  $p = 2.212853e-03$ , \*\*

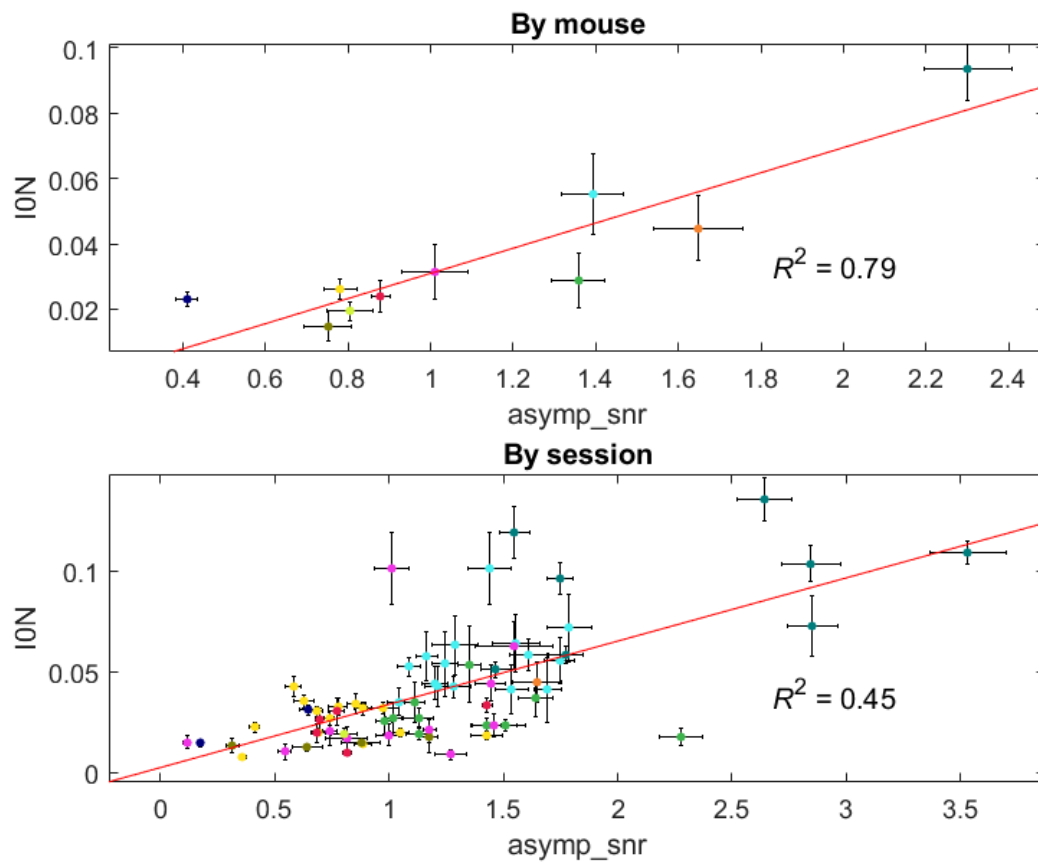
Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Sessionwise correlations asyp\_snr vs. ION: adj.  $R^2 = 0.453$

Pearson: 0.679,  $p = 7.857710e-11$ , \*\*\*

Spearman: 0.650,  $p = 8.453635e-10$ , \*\*\*

Kendall: 0.469,  $p = 7.797761e-09$ , \*\*\*



### New result:

The area between the shuffled  $\cos^2$  overlap and the real  $\cos^2$  overlap predicts  $1/N50$  quite well, when we use the 71 sessions. I think this is a good correspondence to show instead of using gamma.

```
plot_pair(org, 'cos2_area', 'invN50');
```

Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Mouse-aggregated correlations cos2\_area vs. invN50: adj.  $R^2 = 0.469$

Pearson: 0.727,  $p = 1.722400e-02$ , \*

Spearman: 0.721,  $p = 2.419459e-02$ , \*

Kendall: 0.556,  $p = 2.860946e-02$ , \*

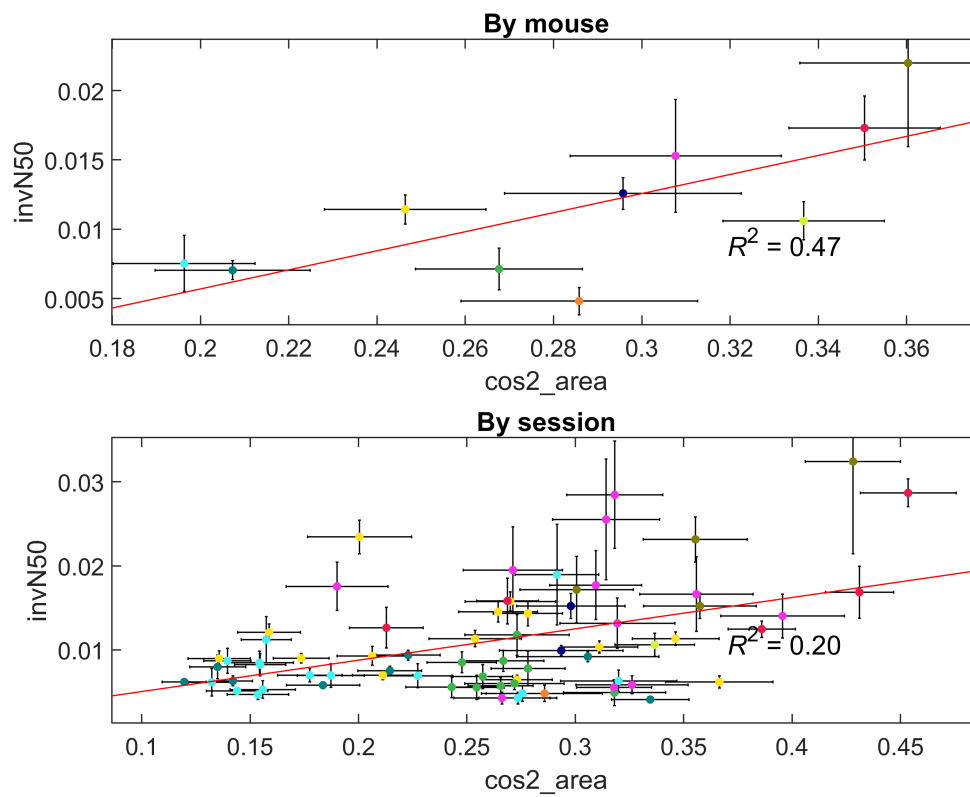
Using only 71 out of 107 sessions

Sessionwise correlations cos2\_area vs. invN50: adj.  $R^2 = 0.204$

Pearson: 0.464,  $p = 4.663950e-05$ , \*\*\*

Spearman: 0.342,  $p = 3.507461e-03$ , \*\*

Kendall: 0.237,  $p = 3.571883e-03$ , \*\*



```
function plot_pair(org, var1, var2)
figure;
subplot(2,1,1);
org.correlogram(var1, var2, true); title('By mouse');
subplot(2,1,2);
org.correlogram(var1, var2, false); title('By session');
end
```