

Progress Report for Project Alpha

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Background

The Paper

- ▶ From OpenfMRI.org (ds009)
- ▶ “The Generality of Self-Control” (Jessica Cohen, Russell Poldrack)

The Data

- ▶ BART study with event-related neurological stimulus (balloon demo)
- ▶ 24 subjects, 3 conditions per subject
 - ▶ Condition 1: Inflation
 - ▶ Condition 2: Pop Pop
 - ▶ Condition 3: Cash out dem monies
- ▶ Download, decompress and check hashes of data

Convolution: Worked with problems with event-related stimulus model

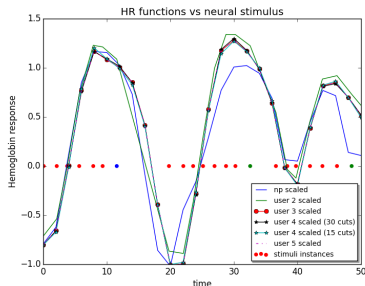
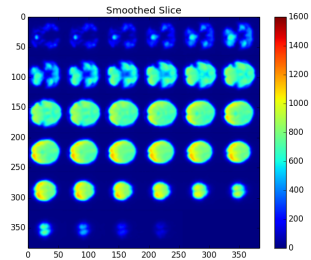
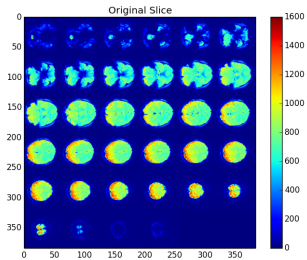


Figure 1: Different convolution functions vs. the Neural stimulus

name in graph	Speed per loop
np	14.4 μ s
user 2	972 ms
user 3	1.15 s
user 4 (15 cuts)	98.3 ms
user 4 (30 cuts)	185 ms
user 5	110 ms

Figure 2: Speed to create HRF predictions for Subject 001, all conditions

Smoothing: Convolution with a Gaussian filter (scipy module)



Linear regression: Single and multiple regression with stimulus (all conditions and separate)

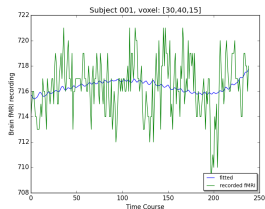


Figure 3: Fitted vs Actual

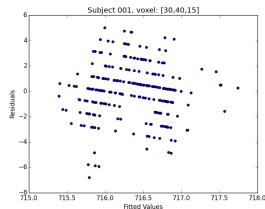
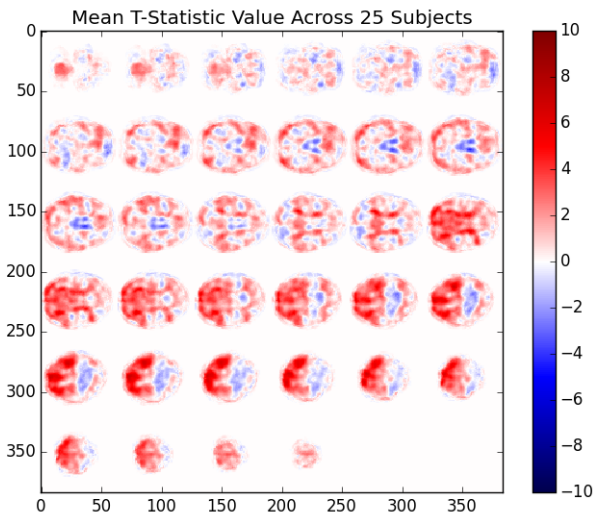
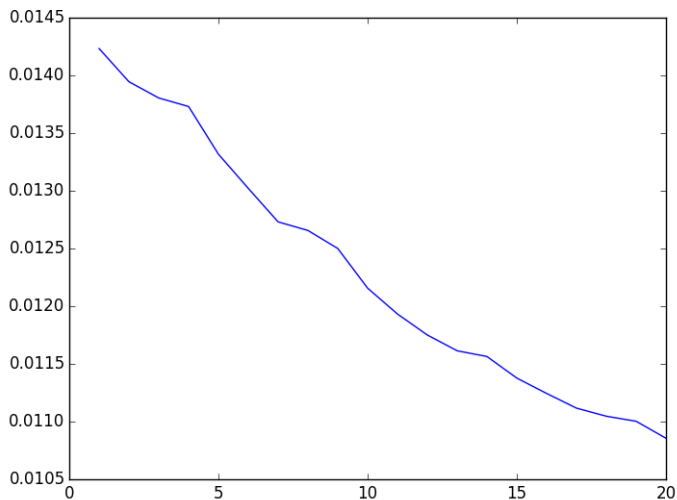


Figure 4: Fitted vs Residual

Hypothesis testing: General t-tests on β values, and across subject analysis



PCA on the voxel by time covariance matrix.



Clustering

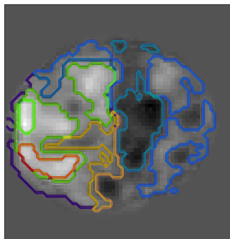


Figure 5: Clustering 1

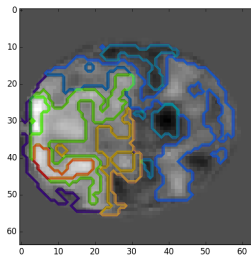


Figure 6: Clustering 2