

Figure 1: Schematic of various possible double-opponent receptive field configurations.

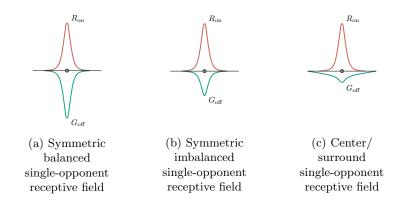


Figure 2: Schematic of various possible single-opponent receptive field configurations.



(a) Vertical R vs. G double-opponent cell receptive fields.



(b) Vertical G vs. R double-opponent cell receptive fields.



(c) Diagonal R vs. G double-opponent cell receptive fields.



(d) Diagonal G vs. R double-opponent cell receptive fields.



(e) Horizontal R vs. G double-opponent cell receptive fields.



(f) Horizontal G vs. R double-opponent cell receptive fields.



(g) Diagonal R vs. G double-opponent cell receptive fields.



(h) Diagonal R vs. G double-opponent cell receptive fields.

Figure 3: Schematic of orientation selectivity in double-opponent receptive field configurations. Any single double-opponent neuron only has one receptive field hard wired into it. By having collections of neurons, each selective to a different orientation at the same retinotopic location, we obtain a degree of rotation invariance.

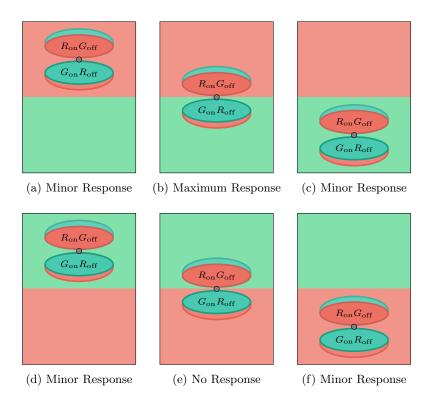


Figure 4: A double-opponent cell selective to horizontally oriented borders with red above and green below; only responsive to that particular stimulus. In Figure (b), the neuron is presented with its ideal stimulus: its $R_{\rm on}$ and $G_{\rm on}$ receptive fields are fully activated while its $R_{\rm off}$ and $G_{\rm off}$ receptive fields are completely unactivated. Figure (e) presents the neuron with the exact opposite stimulus, neither its $R_{\rm on}$ nor $G_{\rm on}$ receptive fields are activate at all, and both its $R_{\rm off}$ and $G_{\rm off}$ receptive fields are fully activated, ensuring no response possible from the cell. While its $R_{\rm on}$ receptive field might be strongly stimulated in (a) and (f), it's $R_{\rm off}$ receptive field cancels it out. Similarly, in (c) and (d) its $G_{\rm on}$ receptive field is stimulated but cancelled out by activity in its $G_{\rm off}$ receptive field.

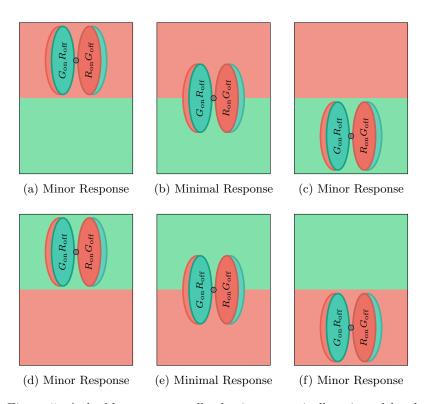


Figure 5: A double-opponent cell selective to vertically oriented borders with red to the right and green on the left; completely unresponsive to a horizontal border. While its $R_{\rm on}$ receptive field might be strongly stimulated in (a) and (f), it's $R_{\rm off}$ receptive field cancels it out. Similarly, in (c) and (d) its $G_{\rm on}$ receptive field is stimulated but cancelled out by activity in its $G_{\rm off}$ receptive field. In (b) and (e) both of its $R_{\rm on}$ and $G_{\rm on}$ receptive fields are moderately activated, but again, cancelled out by activation in its $R_{\rm off}$ and $G_{\rm off}$ receptive fields, respectively.