

# Curds and Whey Regression applied to fMRI

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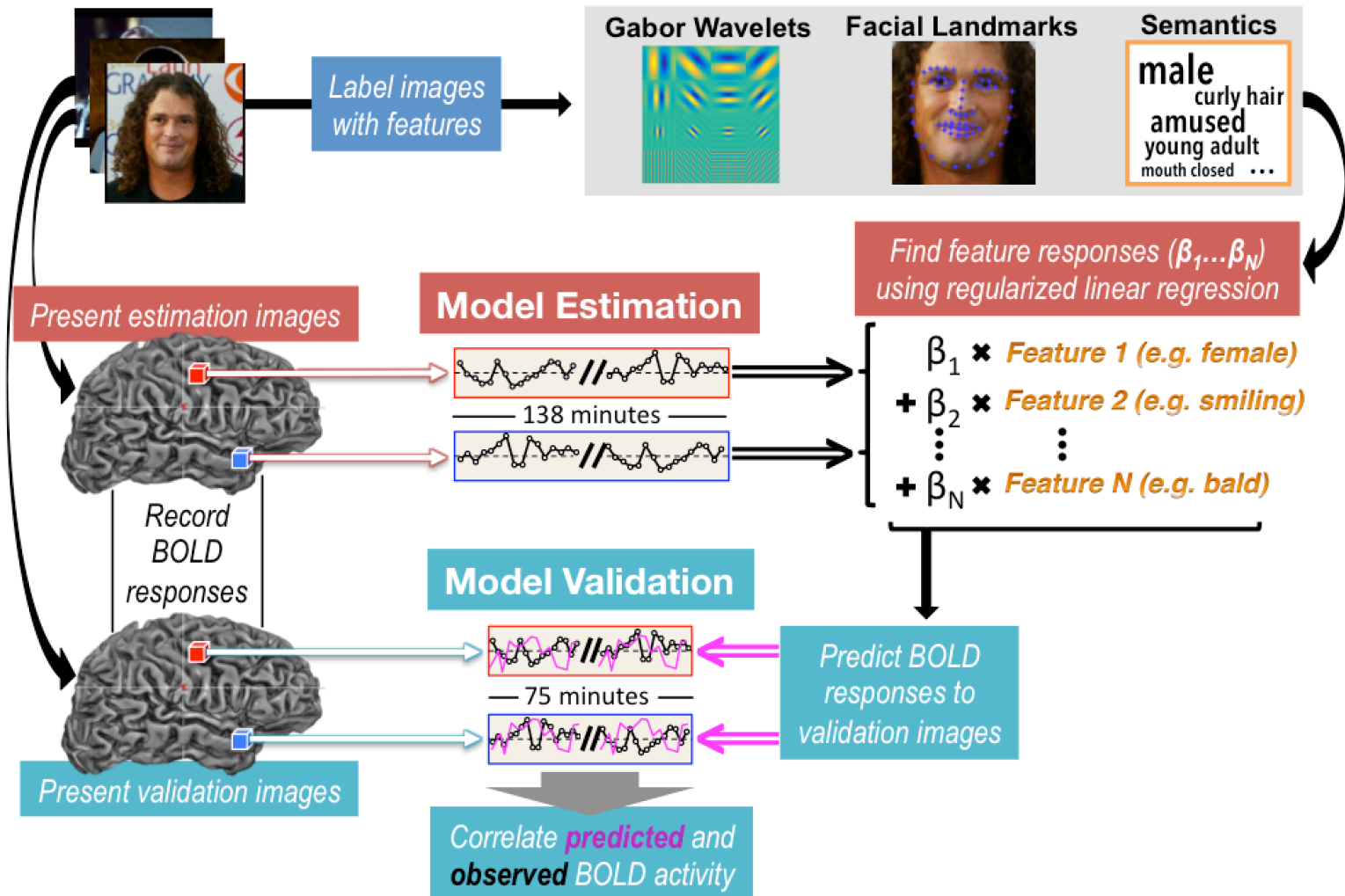
# Outline

1. fMRI Dataset
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# Motivation

- Predicting brain activity to validate scientific models of information processing.
- Typically, modeling done on individual voxels, either using OLS or Ridge Regression.
- In fMRI, many nearby voxels respond similarly.
- Combining prediction problems can help. (Y's with similar B's or shared noise).

# Experiment



# Single Output and Shrinkage

- Single output:  $Y$  ( $n \times 1$ ),  $X$  ( $n \times p$ )
- **OLS** predictions are orthogonal projection  $y$  into column space of  $X$  to minimize errors.

$$\hat{Y}^{ols} = X(X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

- **Ridge** predictions are projections into column space, but in some directions more than others ( $\hat{Y}$  is shrunk more in direction of smaller principle components of  $X$ )

$$\hat{Y}^{ridge} = X(X^T X + \lambda I)^{-1} X^T y$$

- And we know shrinkage is good for prediction. Adds a little bias to  $\hat{Y}$ , but reduces variance.

# Multi-output Shrinkage

- Multi-output:  $Y$  ( $n \times q$ ),  $X$  ( $n \times p$ )
- Could apply same  $\lambda$  for all  $y$ 's or estimate one for each  $y$ .
- Or shrink OLS predictions based on correlation between multiple  $y$ 's and  $x$ 's.

$$\hat{Y} = \hat{Y}^{ols} S$$

$$\hat{Y} = X(X^t X)^{-1} X^t Y S$$

# Curds and Whey

- Optimal prediction in population setting related to CCA of X and Y. (Breiman and Friedman 1997, BH).
- **Canonical Correlations Analysis (CCA):**
  - “find pairs of linear combinations such that each successive pair maximizes correlation (under constraint of being uncorrelated with other pairs)”
  - Sample solution is found via eigenvalue decomposition of the following:

$$\hat{Q} = (Y^t Y)^{-1} (Y^t X) (X^t X)^{-1} (X^t Y) = \hat{T}^{-1} \hat{C}^2 \hat{T}$$

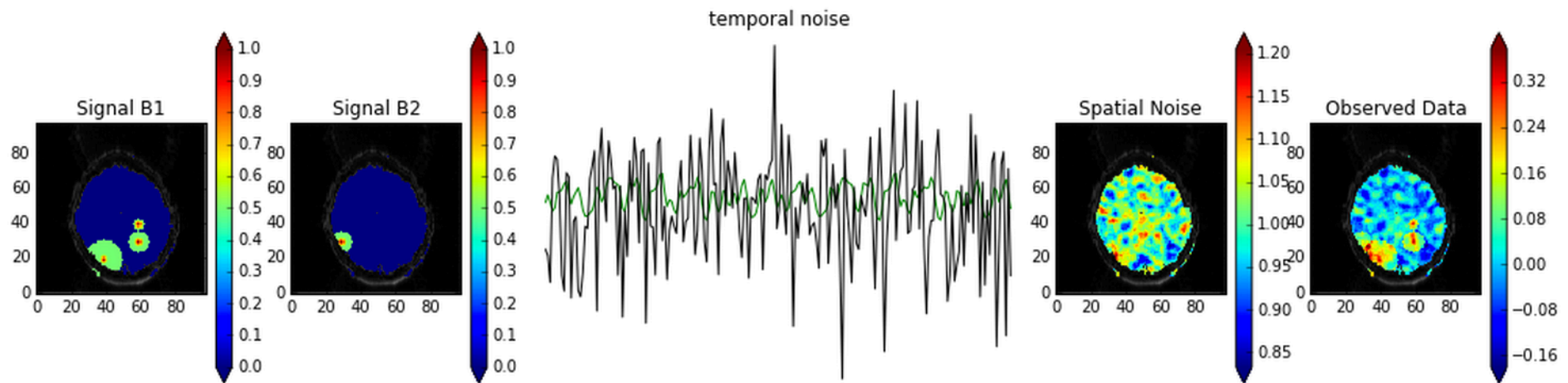
- Columns of T are new ‘canonical’ basis vectors for Y, and C^2 are squared canonical correlations. This new basis for Y highlights relationships with X.
- **shrinkage matrix S** should be (BH):

$$S = \hat{T} \hat{D} \hat{T}^{-1} \quad \hat{d}_i = \frac{(1-r)(\hat{c}_i^2 - r)}{(1-r)^2 \hat{c}_i^2 + r^2(1 - \hat{c}_i^2)}, \quad i = 1, \dots, q.$$

- D adjusts C^2 according to generalized cross validation. (r is p/n).
- Transform OLS predictions into new basis, shrink along the canonical coordinates in proportion to the canonical correlation (adjusted according to d), and then transform back to predict

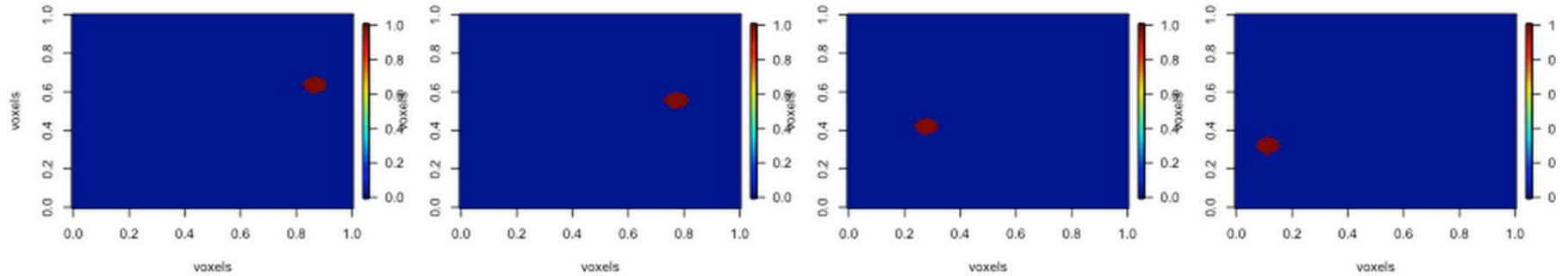
$$\hat{Y}^{cw} = X(X^t X)^{-1} X^t Y S$$

# Simulated Data

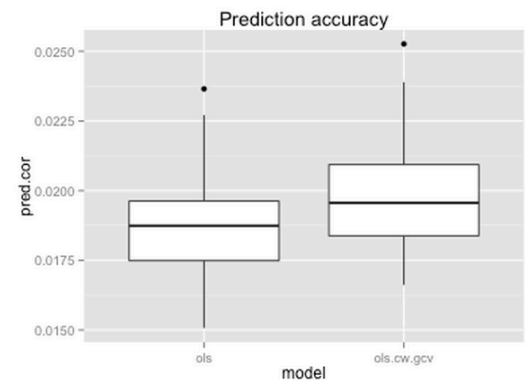
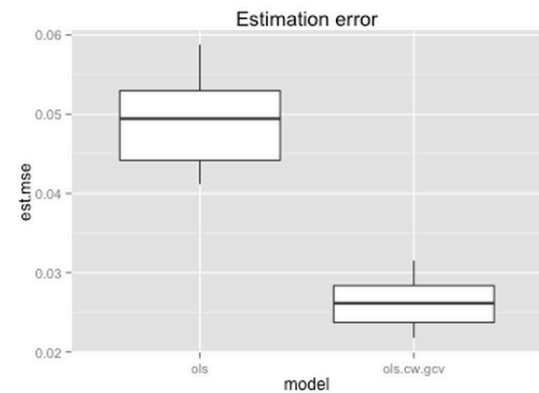
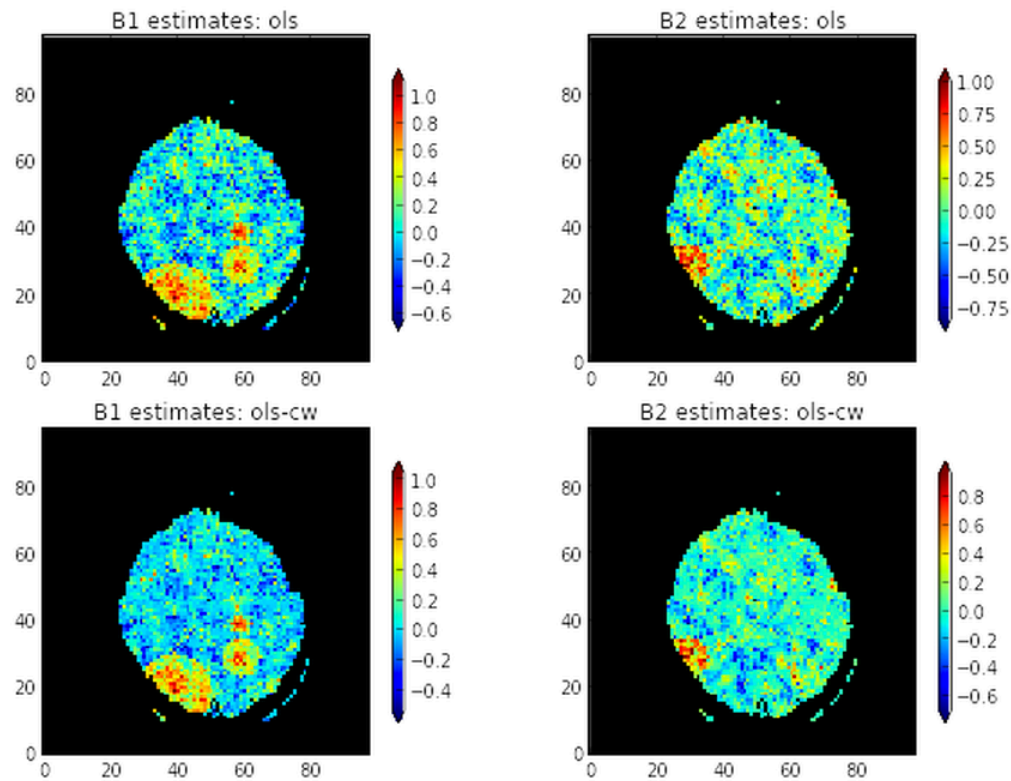




# Search Light / Nearest Neighbors



# Simulation Performance



# Ridge Curds and Whey for fMRI

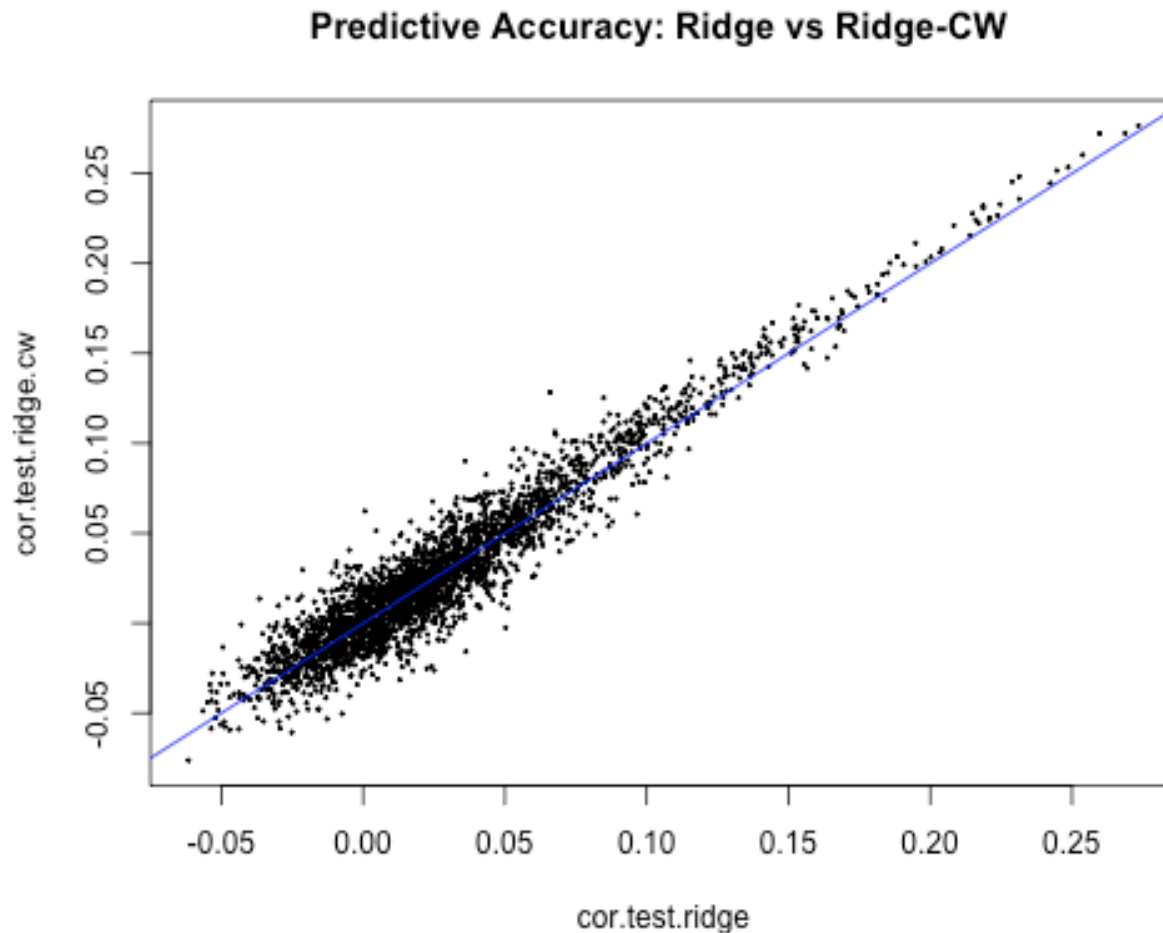
- Our model has too many regressors for OLS
- Can shrink in both Y space (cw) and X space (ridge)

$$\hat{Y}^{ridgecw} = X(X^tX + \lambda I)^{-1}X^tYS$$

- CCA done on Y and Y^ ridge (not X)

# Performance on Dataset

## Ridge v Ridge-CW



# Double Ridge

**Estimate the optimal shrinkage using another stage of ridge.**

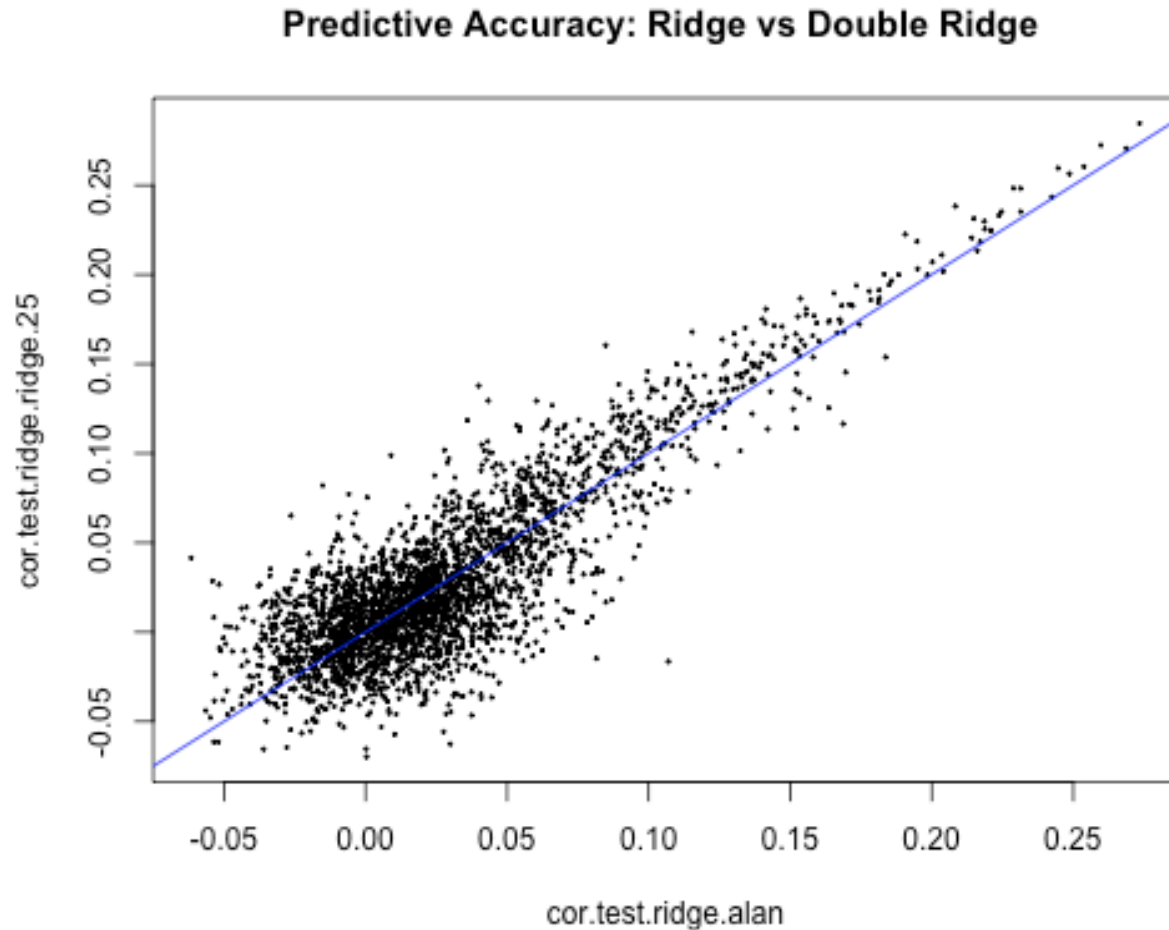
- After estimation of the model using ridge regression,  $\hat{Y}$  is regressed onto out-of-sample  $Y$  using another ridge regression. The model is trained with an optimal regularization parameter ( $\gamma$ ) selected using cross-validation.

$$\hat{S} = \underset{S}{\operatorname{argmin}} [\Sigma(Y_i - S\hat{Y}_i)^2 + \gamma \Sigma(S_j)^2]$$

- For validation,  $\hat{Y}$  is multiplied by  $\hat{S}$ .

# Performance on Dataset

## Ridge v Double Ridge



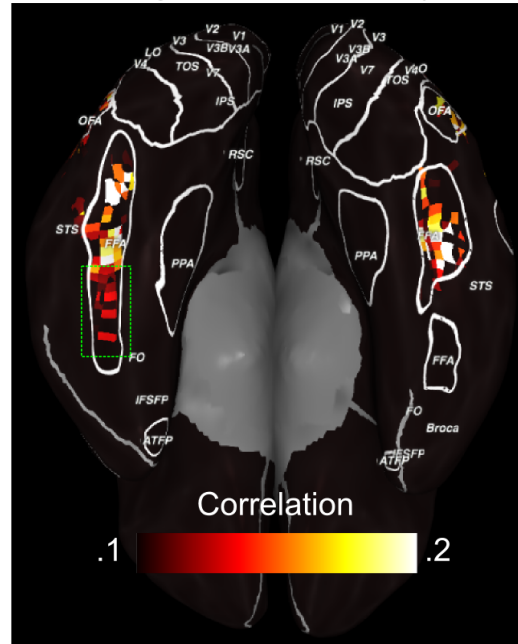
# Performance Maps

## Voxelwise Prediction Map, Ventral Surface of the Brain

Ridge Regression



Ridge Curds and Whey



Double Ridge



Correlation

.1



.2

# Extensions

- Generalized cross-validation approximates loocv. High variance.
- Continue to use good basis for  $Y$ .
- Use k-fold cross validation to estimate a good amount of shrinkage ( $D$ ).

$$S = \hat{T} \hat{D} \hat{T}^{-1}$$



The END

# MscI

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{Y}}^{ridge} &= \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \\ &= \mathbf{U} \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{D}^2 + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{y} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{u}_j \frac{d_j^2}{d_j^2 + \lambda} \mathbf{u}_j^T \mathbf{y},\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathbf{Y}}^{ols} &= \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} \\ &= \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{y},\end{aligned}$$