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Supplemental Readings (on MRI)

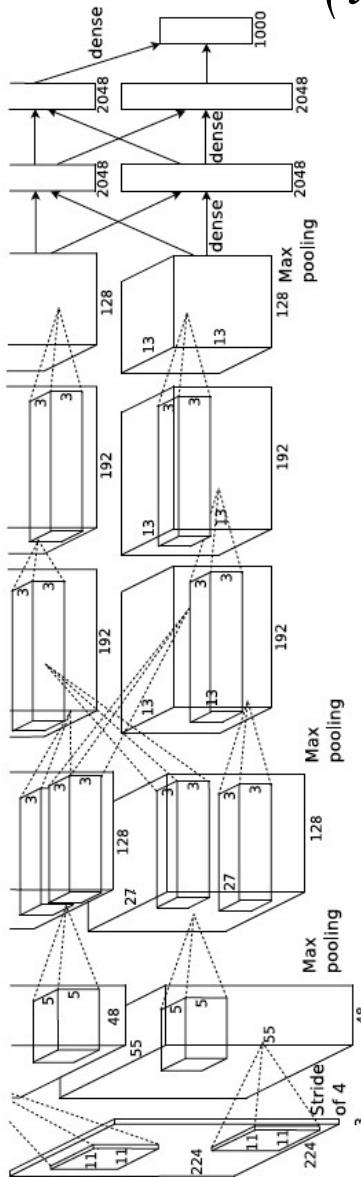
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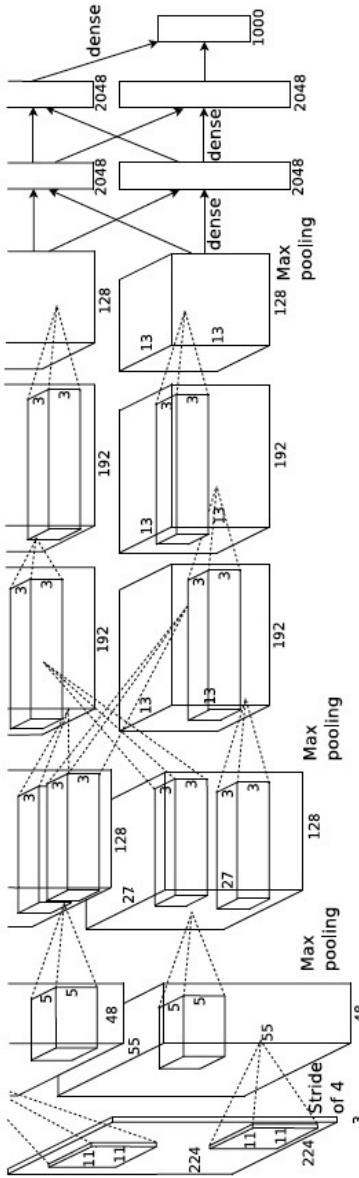
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can CNN models explain brain function?
(a question it'll take some time to get to answering)

(the best computer vision models)

modern CNN models are informed by the brain:





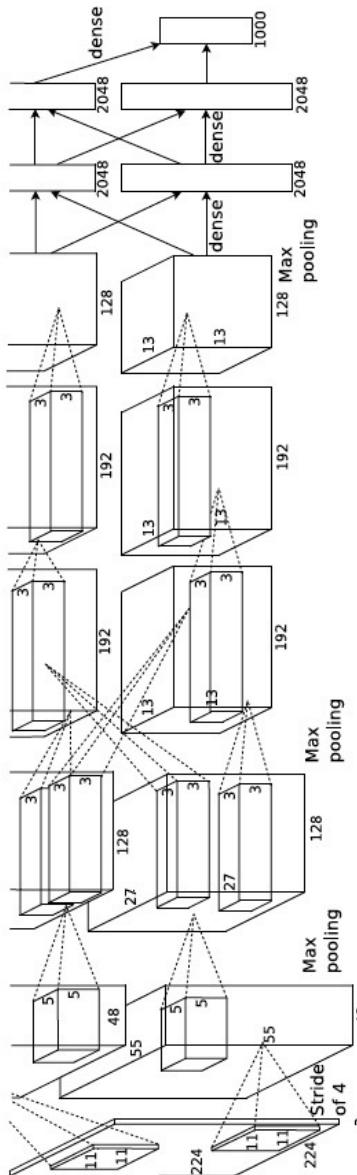
modern CNN models are informed by the brain:

- composed of neural-like units (like brains)
- highly parallel (like brains)
- learn (like brains)
- with multiplicative weights (like synapses)
- with additive net inputs (like dendritic processes)
- with nonlinear activations (like action potentials)
- with learning via connections (like neurons)
- convolutional operations (like brain areas)
- multiple feature maps (like brain areas)
- hierarchical (like brains)
- deep (like brains)
- some have recurrent* connections (like brains)

can these models help explain the brain too?

* haven't discussed

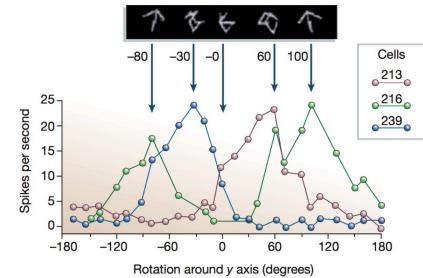
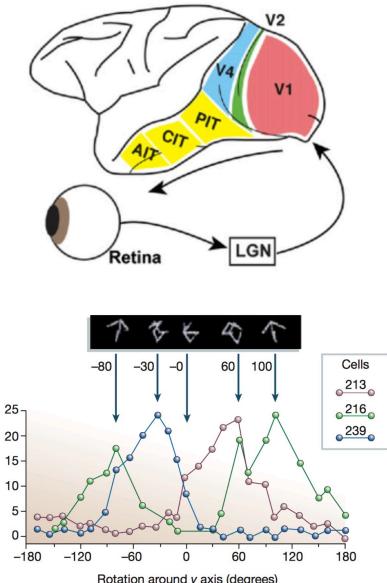
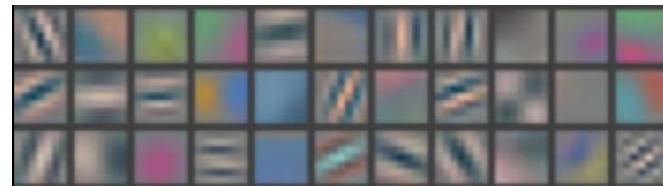
go beyond mere resemblance (descriptive) to more scientifically rigorous



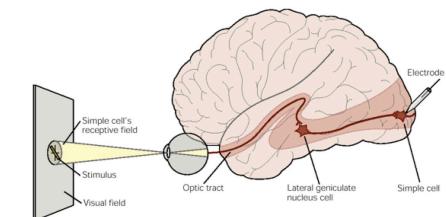
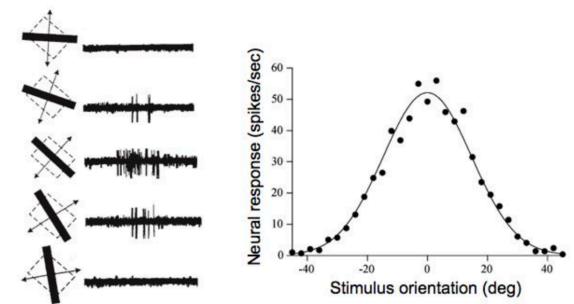
"object-like" like IT

CNN representations

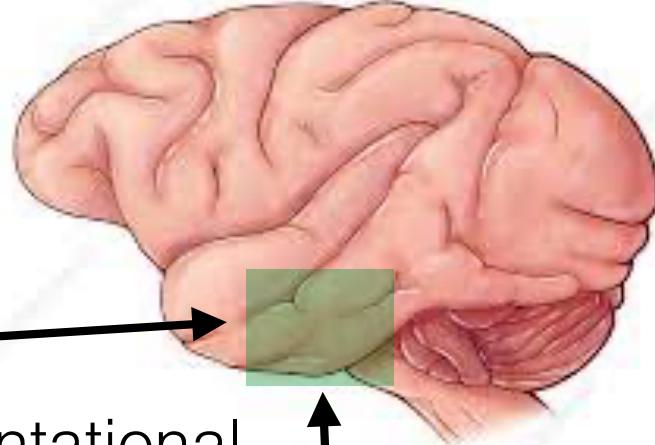
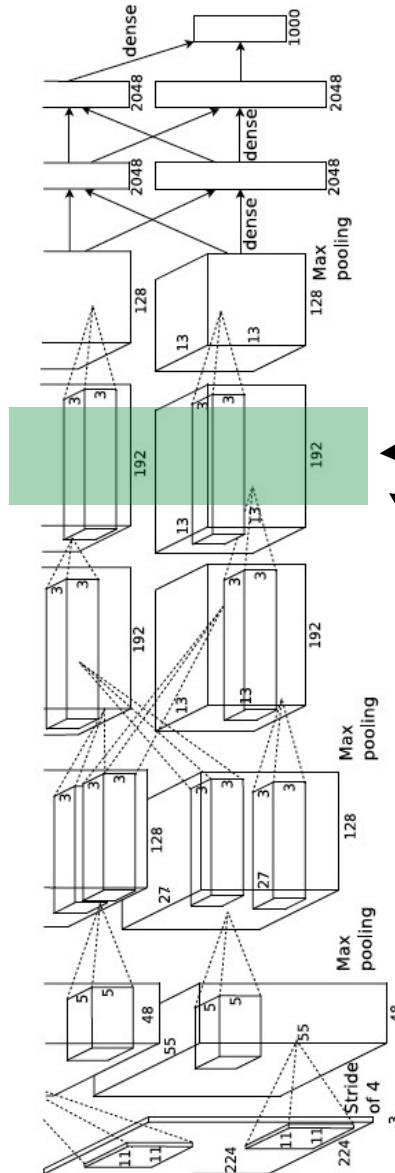
"gabor-like" like V1



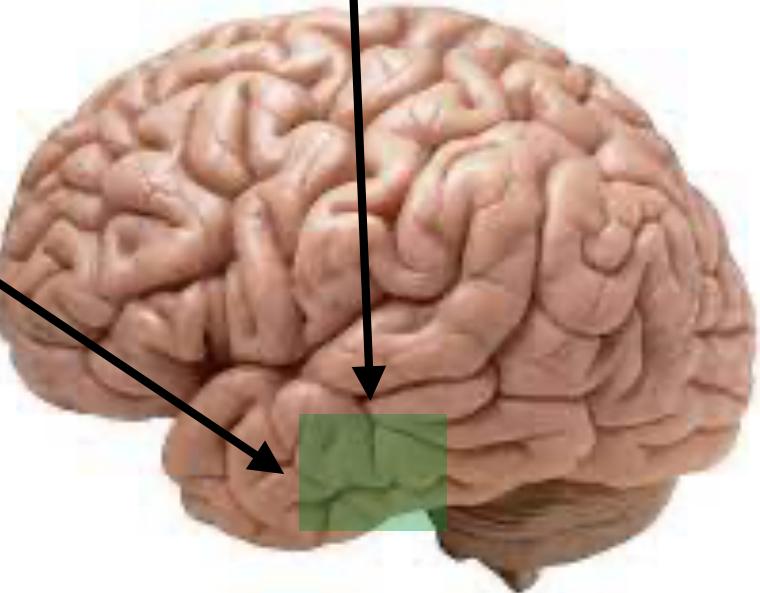
brain representations



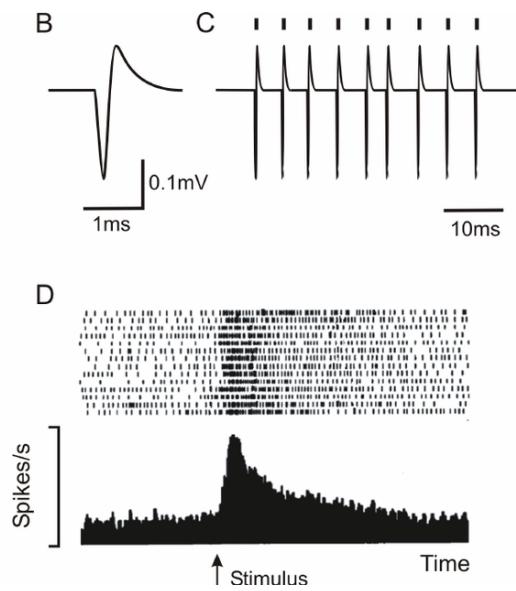
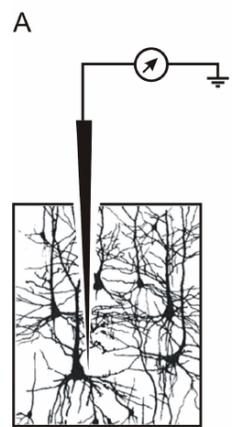
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measure representational
similarity across brains
and models



neurophysiological recordings



single-unit recordings
(one neuron at a time)

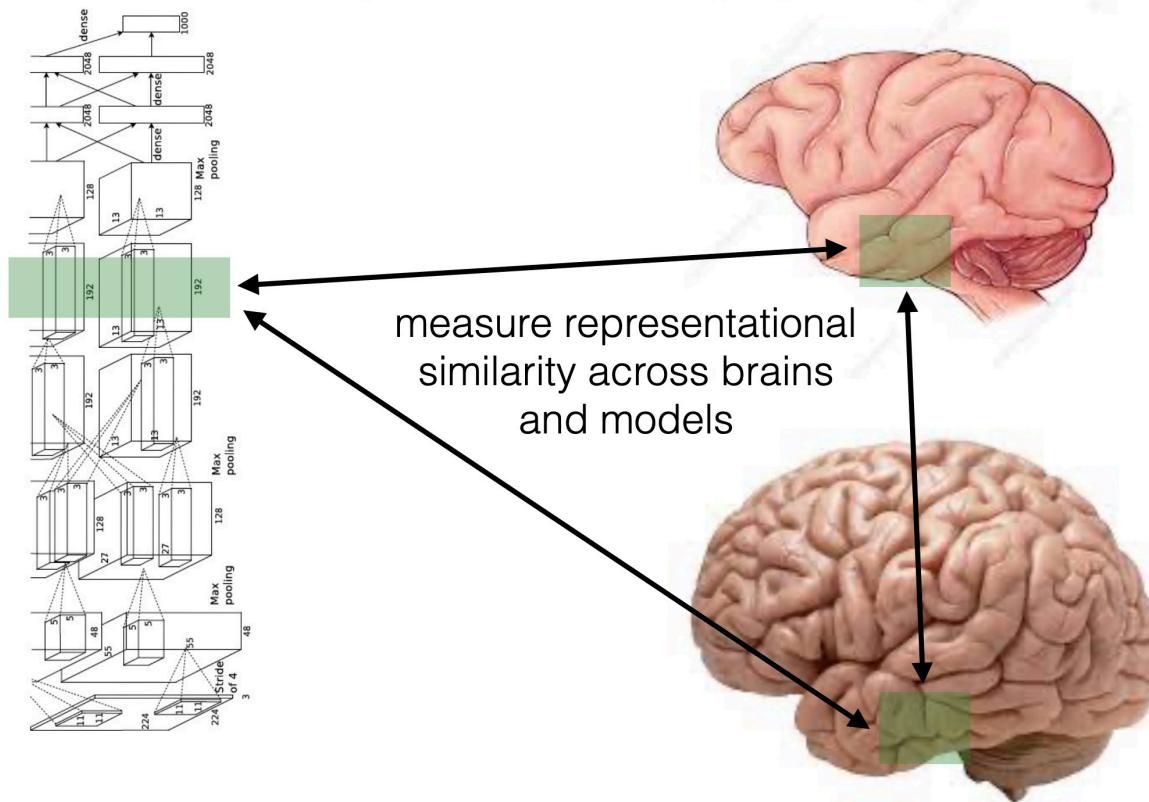


multi-unit recordings
(many at a time)

fMRI

we will go on a bit of a journey talking about fMRI before we get back to this

go beyond mere resemblance
(more scientifically rigorous)



functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI)

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Scanner



is a huge, powerful magnet that can take structural and functional images of your body

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Scanner



huge, powerful magnet

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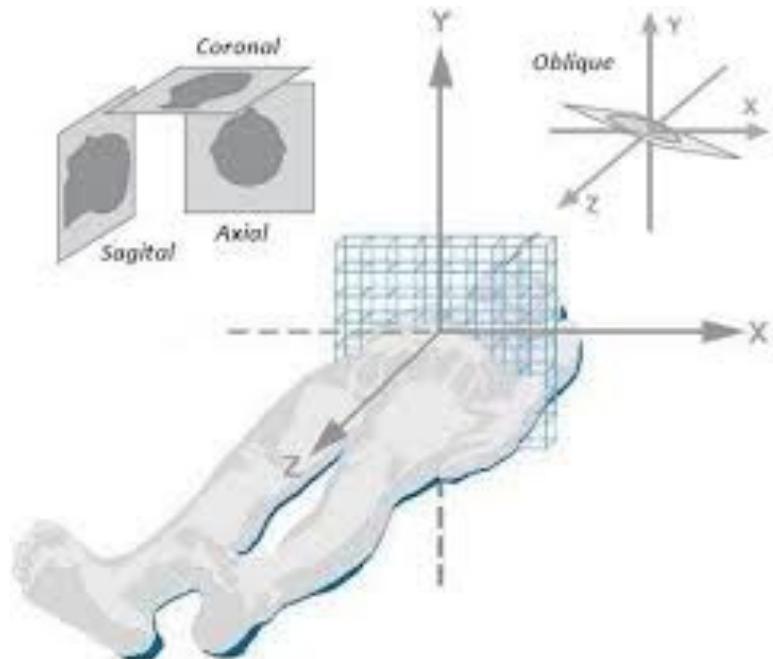
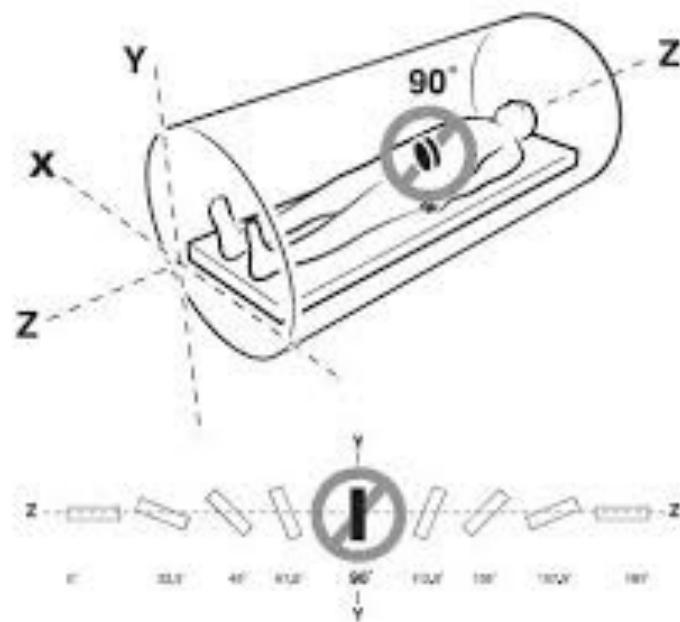
strong magnetic field

3 Tesla (3T), ~60,000x earth's magnetic field

1.5T and 3T used in medical imaging

Vanderbilt has 3T and 7T for research with humans
and 4.7, 7, 9.4, 15.2T for research with rats and mice

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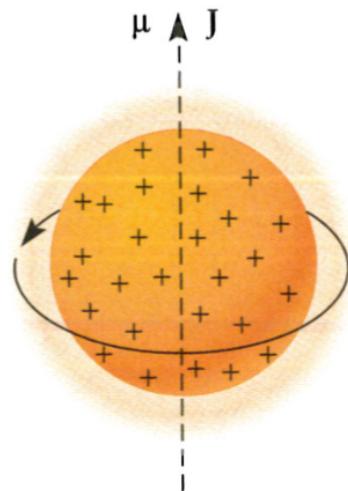


a person is slid into the scanner bore
inside this strong magnetic field

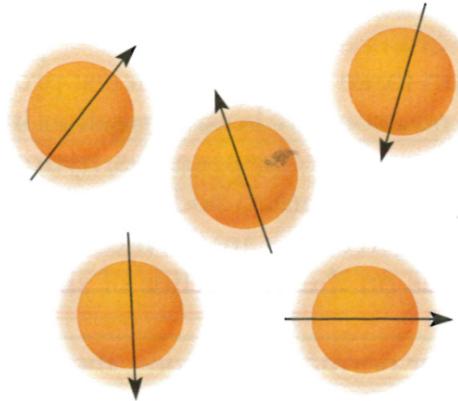
(safety checklists to prevent metals on or inside their bodies)

a little MR physics

(A)

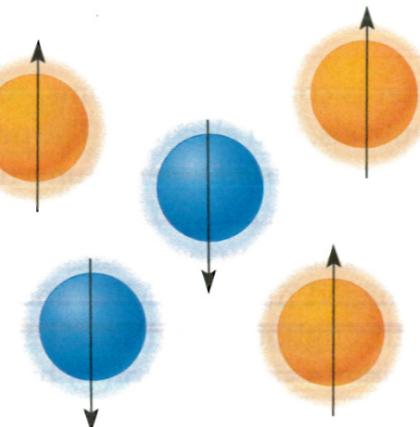


(A)



no magnetic
field

(B)



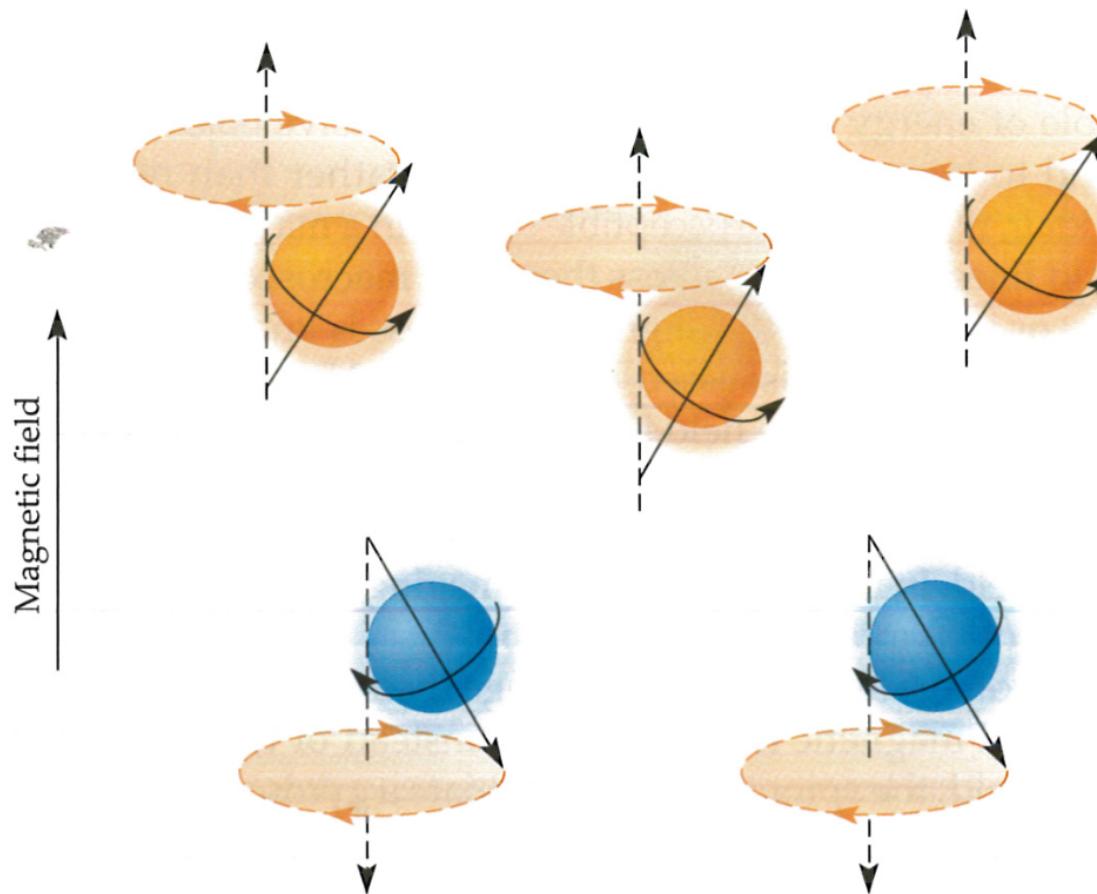
magnetic
field

hydrogen atoms are ubiquitous throughout the body

protons of hydrogen atoms are like tiny spinning magnets

hydrogen protons align (or anti-align) with strong magnetic field

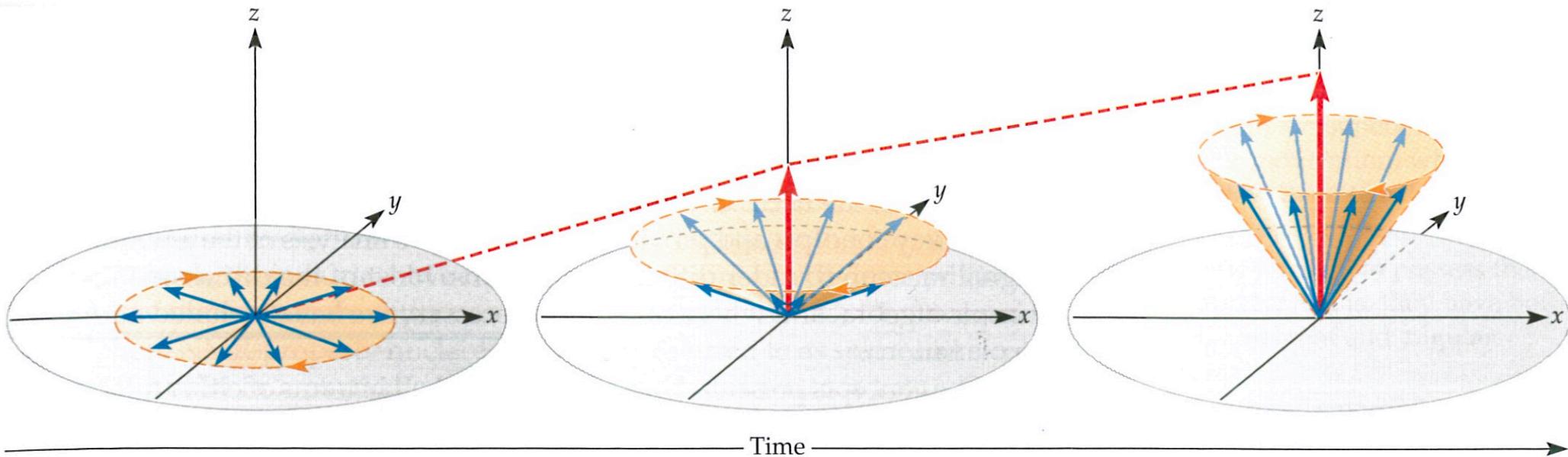
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the protons actually precess (like a spinning top)



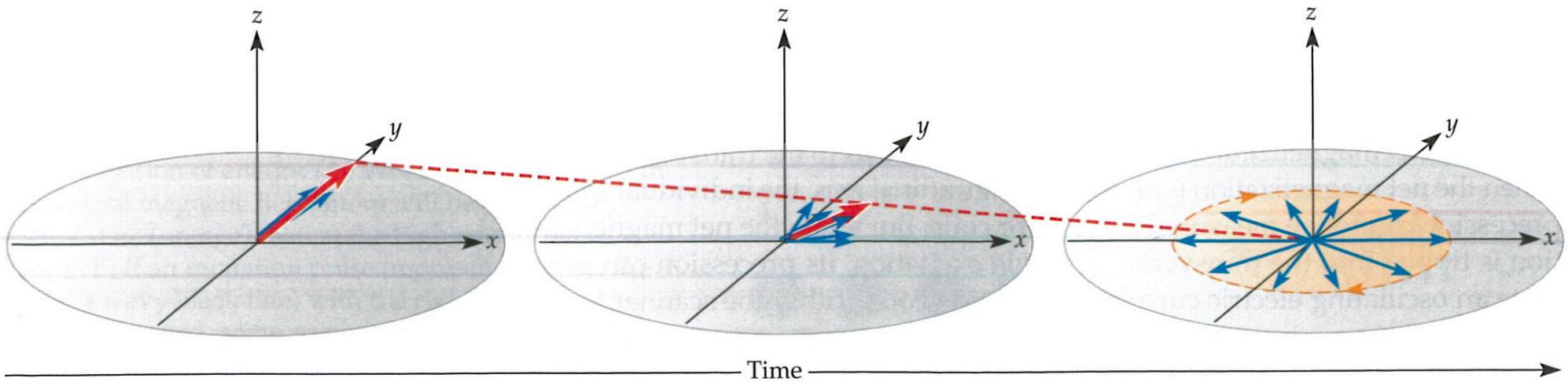
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a carefully-calibrated radio frequency (RF) pulse will knock the hydrogen protons out of alignment with field

as they come back into alignment, they emit energy,
which can be read as an RF signal (T1 recovery)

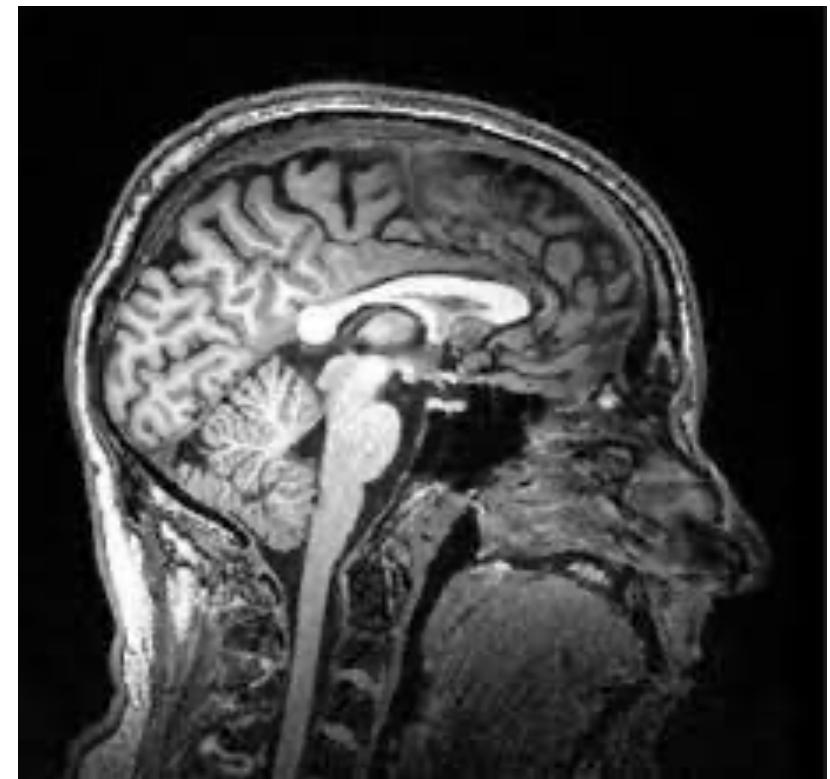
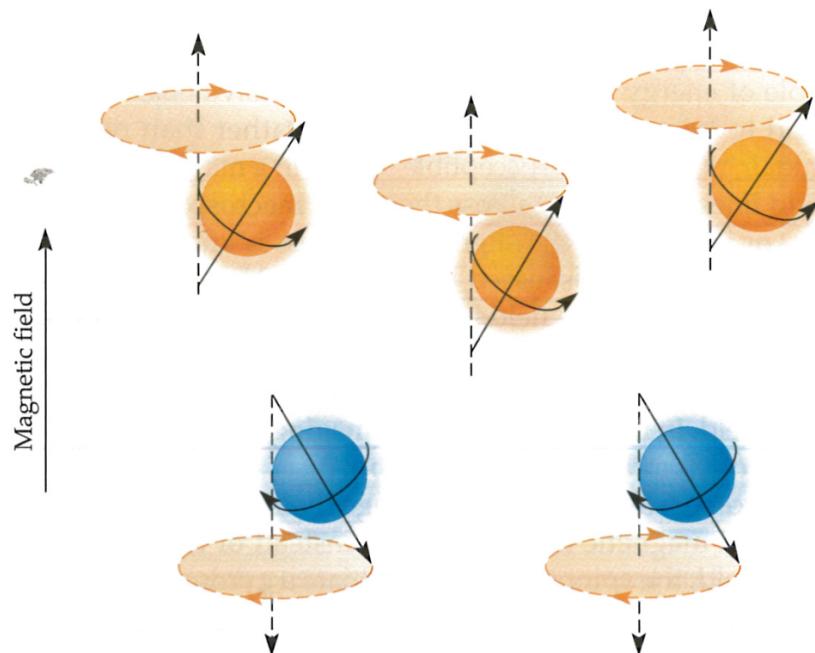
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a carefully-calibrated radio frequency (RF) pulse will also align the protons in their precession angle

as they come go out of phase, they emit energy,
which can also be read as an RF signal (T2 decay)

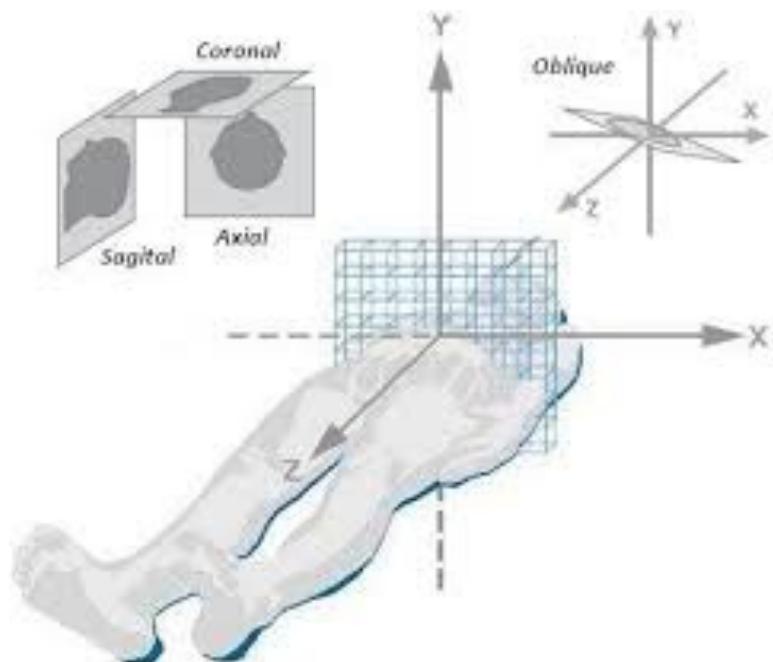
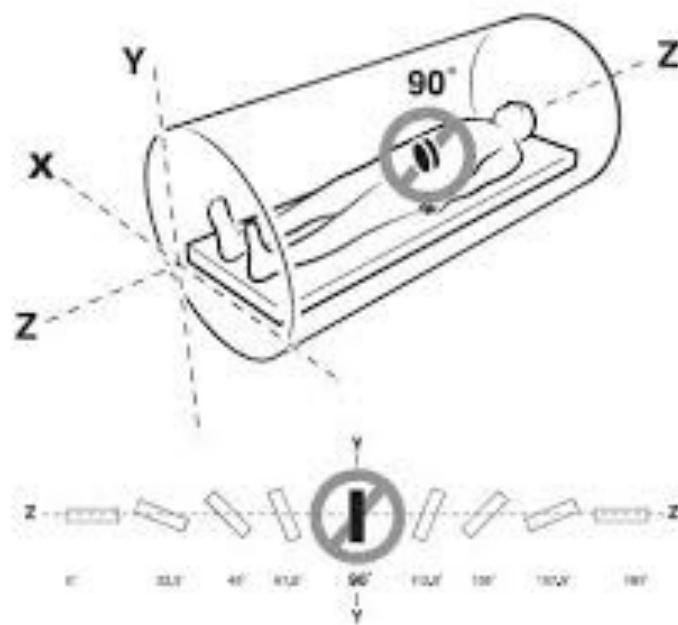
a little MR physics



different kinds of body tissue* bind hydrogen to different degrees and there are local magnetic tissue inhomogeneities, causing different relaxation and decay times, causing different temporal properties of RF signals, leading to differences in imaged body tissue

* e.g., neurons, myelin (fat), bone, liquid (ventricles)

a little MR physics

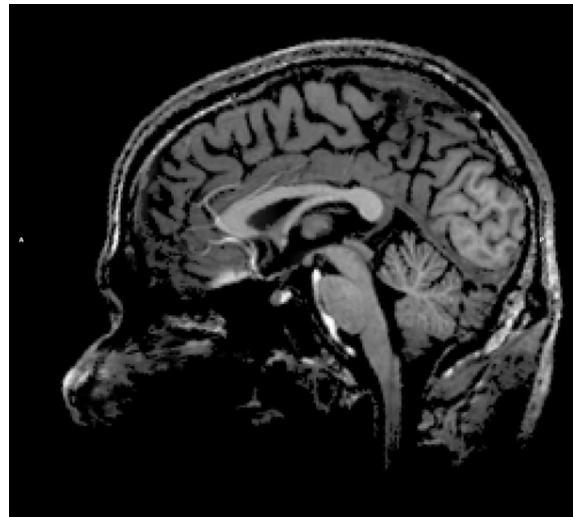


with only the main (z) magnetic field, all the hydrogen atoms in the body in the bore would be knocked together (and RF signals are not positional)

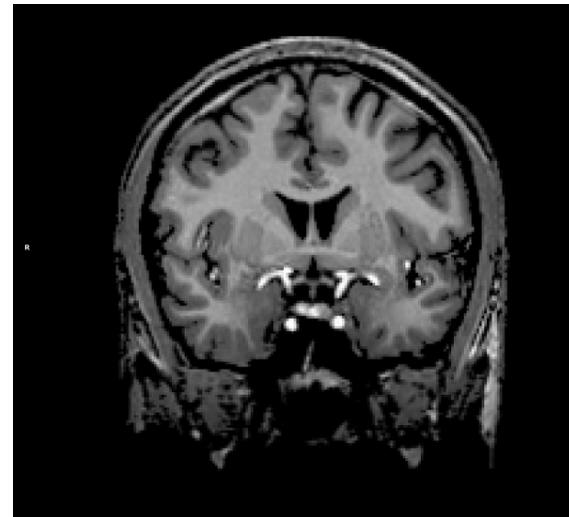
trigger RF pulse depends on precise magnetic field

so there are other x, y, z magnetic field gradients that permit "slices" of the body to be imaged (localized in x, y, z)

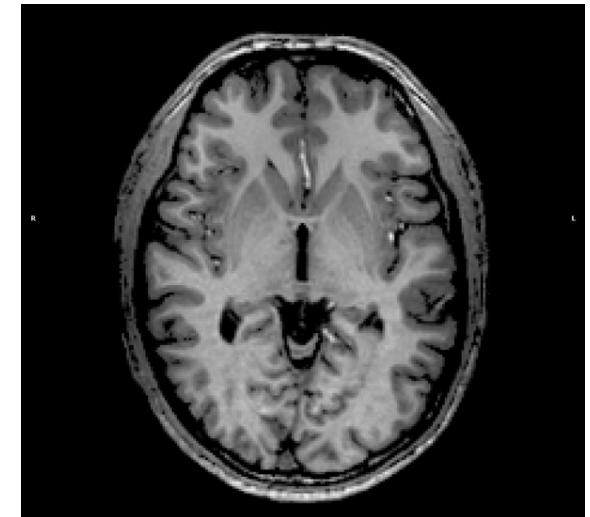
MR images



Sagittal



Coronal

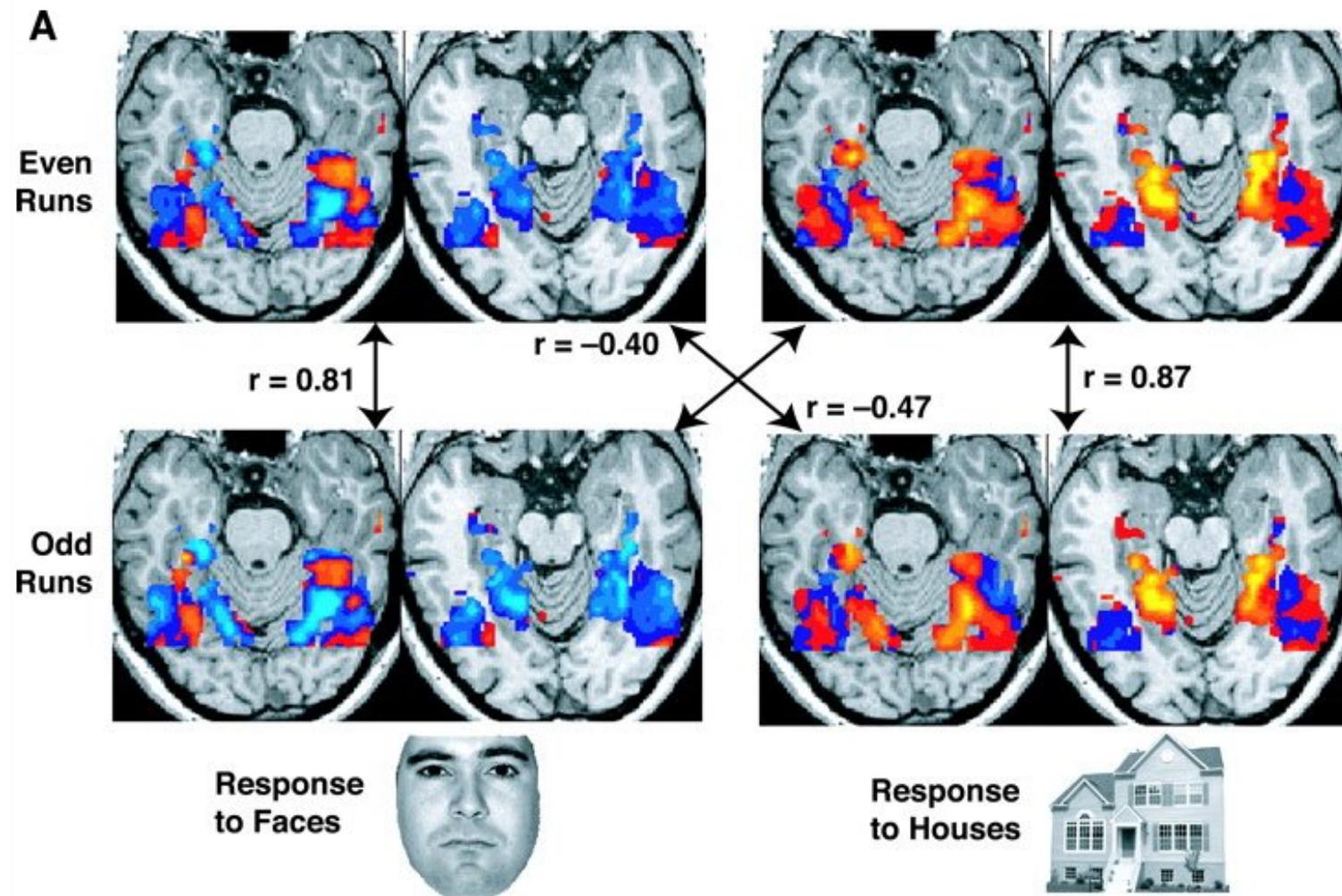


Transverse

T1-weighted
typical anatomical brain image

fMRI (functional MRI) images

functional MR (colors) overlaying anatomical MR (grayscale)



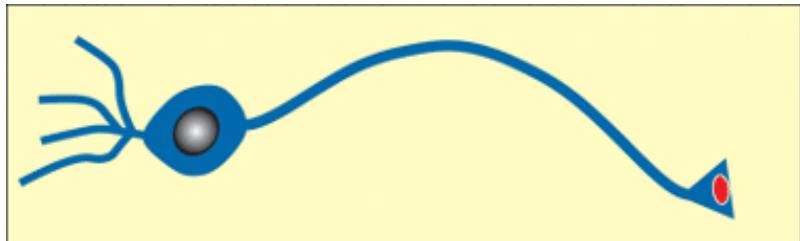
T2-weighted
typical functional brain image

fMRI (functional MRI)

functional = brain activity

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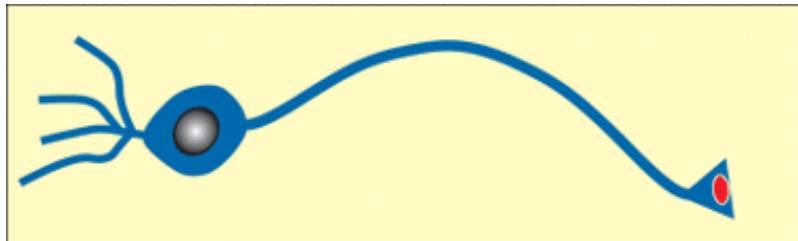
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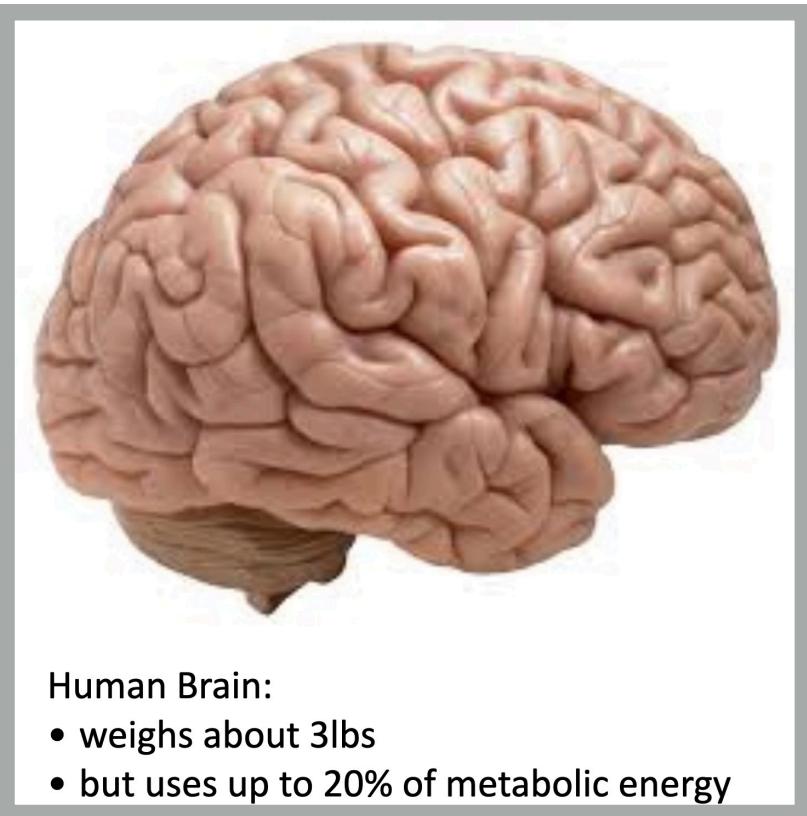
neural activity require energy

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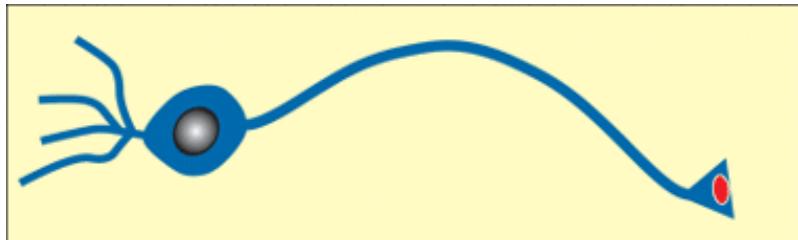


Human Brain:

- weighs about 3lbs
- but uses up to 20% of metabolic energy

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neural activity require energy

47% of energy use in the rodent brain goes towards restoration of ionic concentration gradients following action potentials

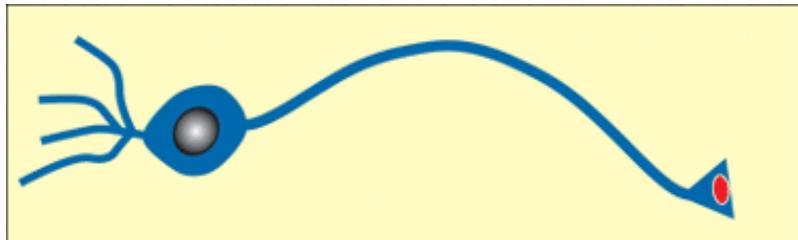
34% to restoration after EPSPs and IPSPs along dendrites

13% to maintenance of the resting membrane potential

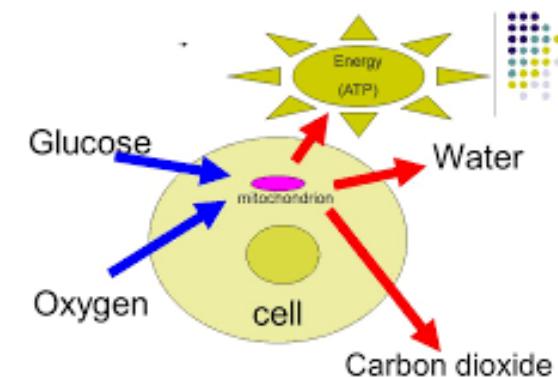
leaves 6% left for all other brain functions

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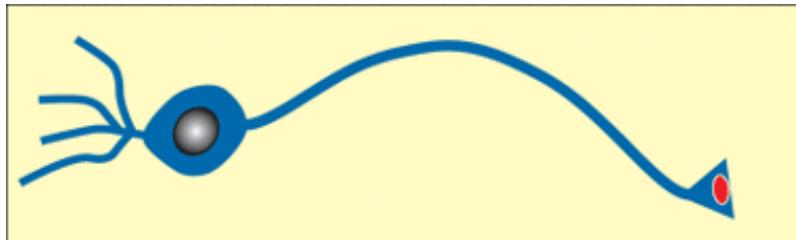
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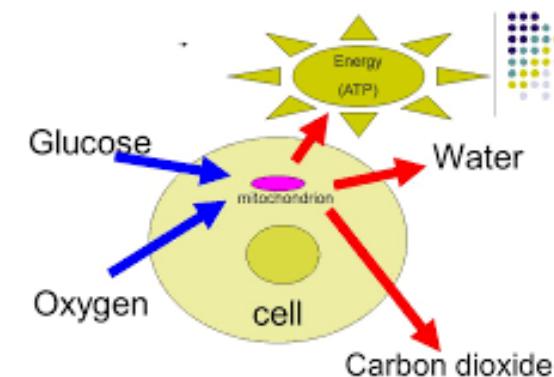
energy from glucose and oxygen

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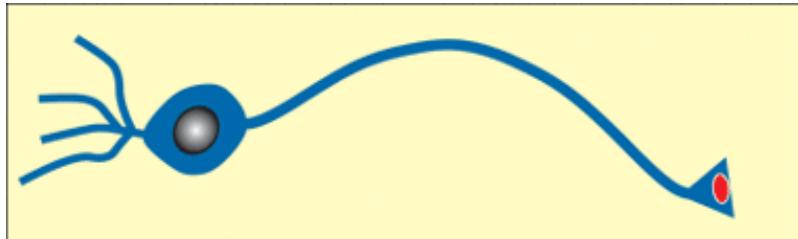
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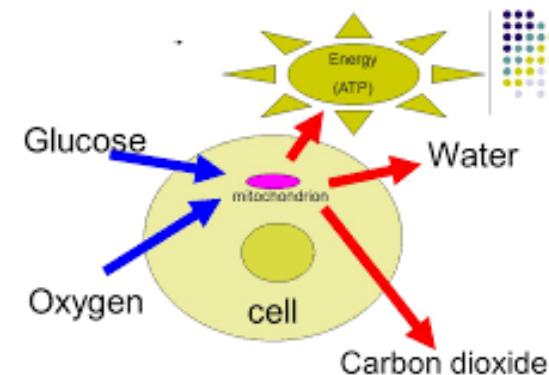
capillaries provide glucose and oxygen to neurons

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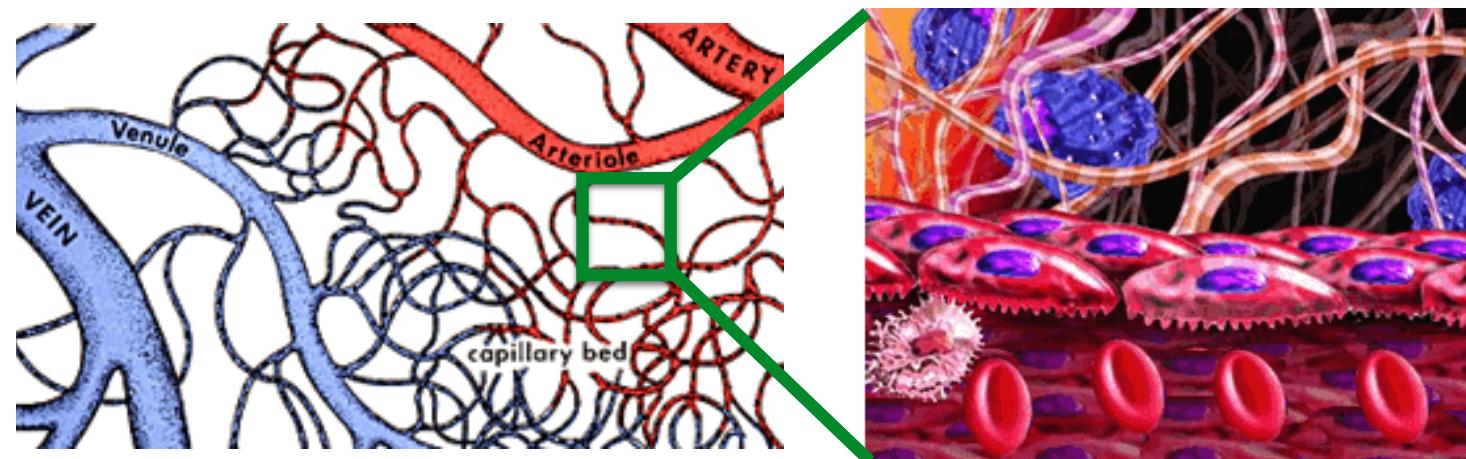
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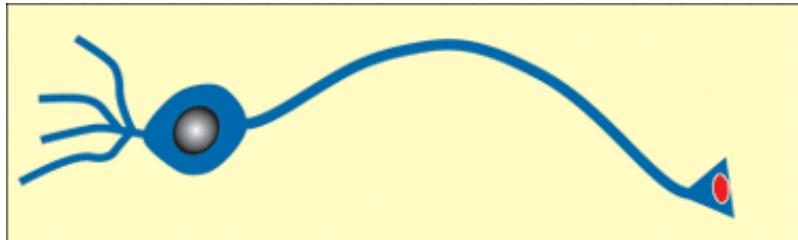


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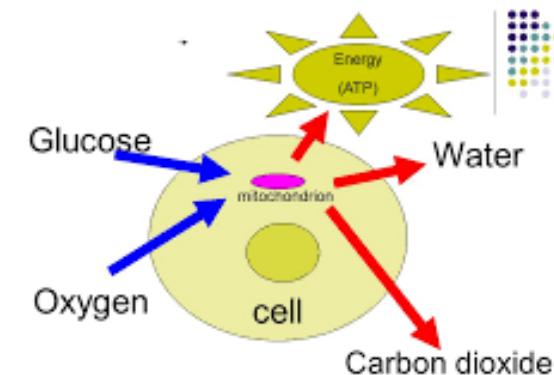
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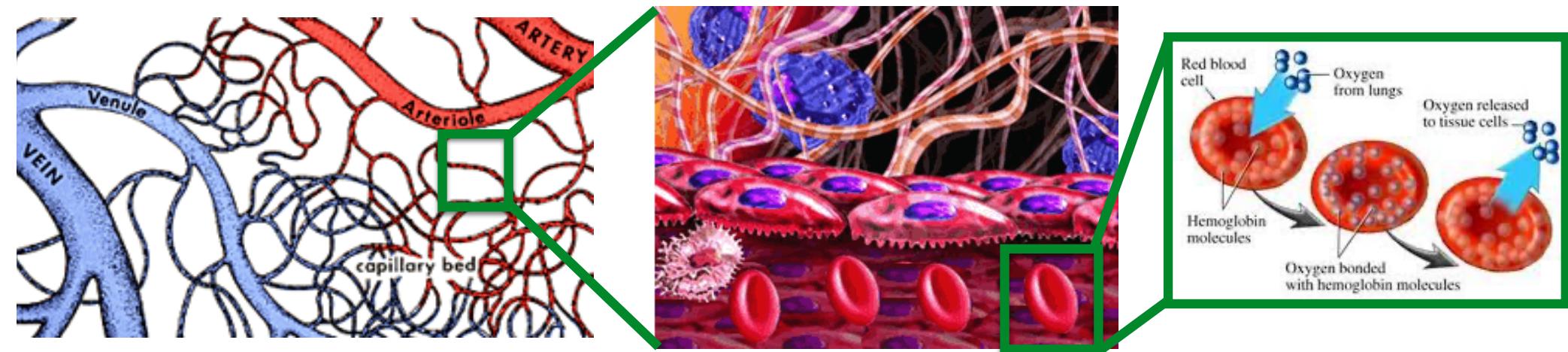
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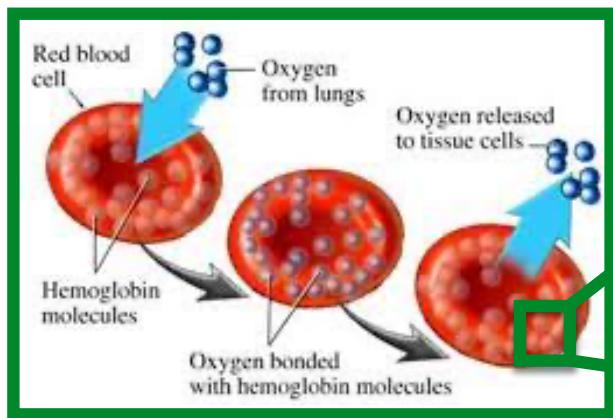


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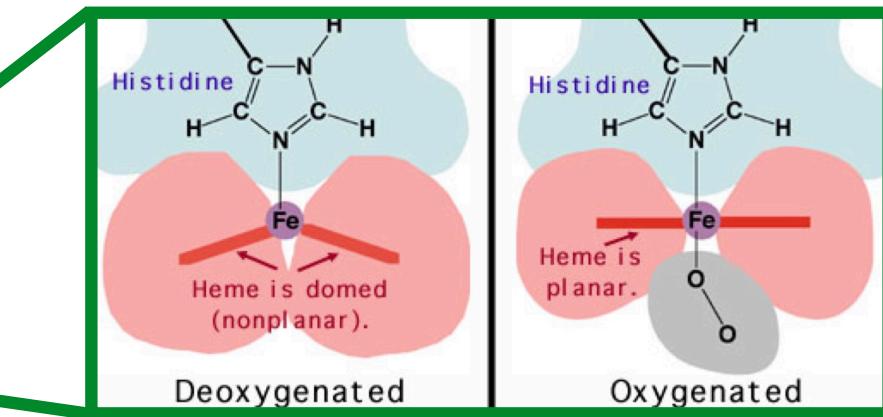
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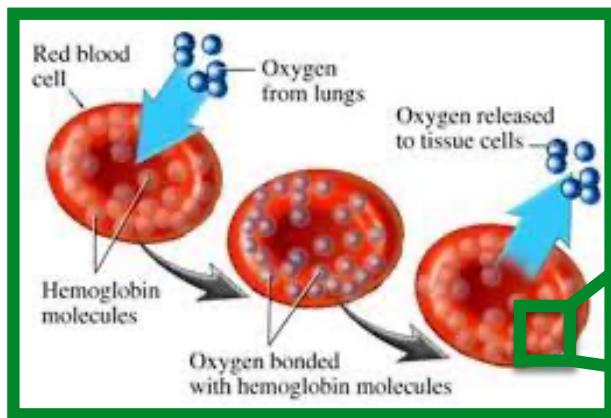


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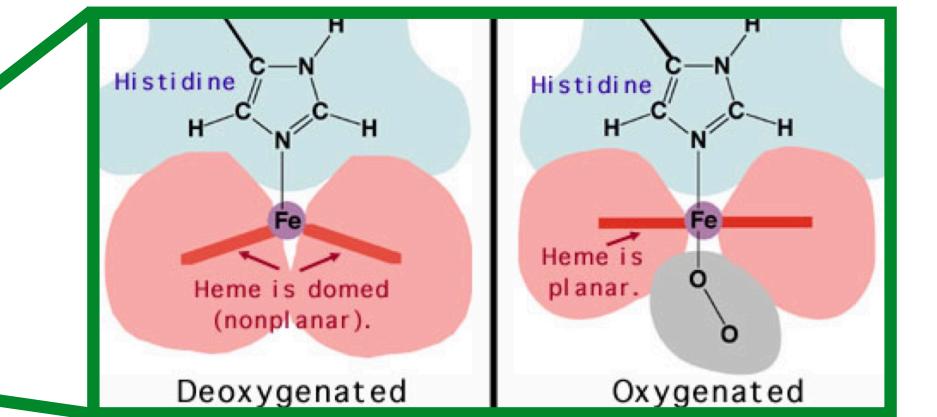


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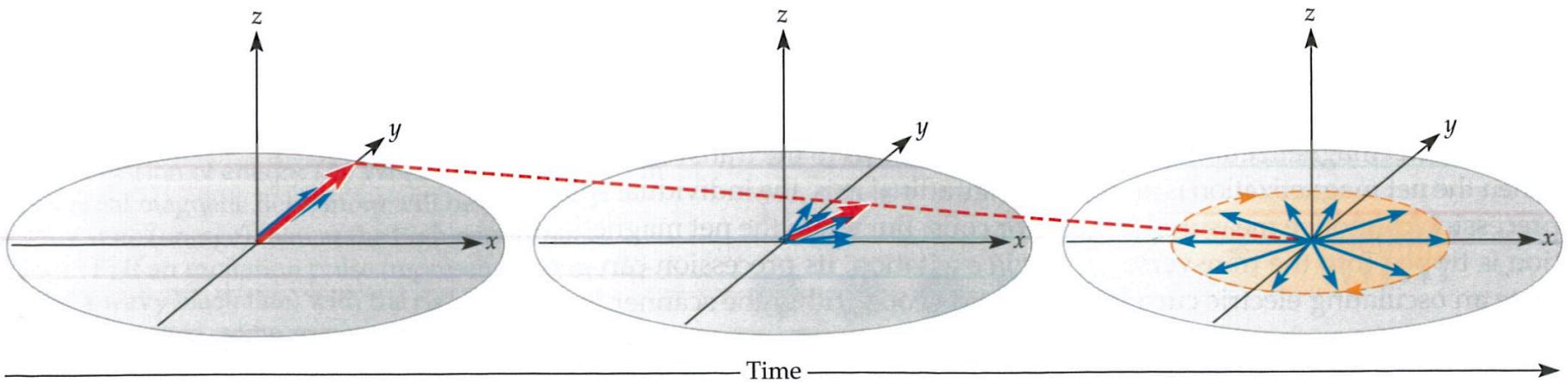
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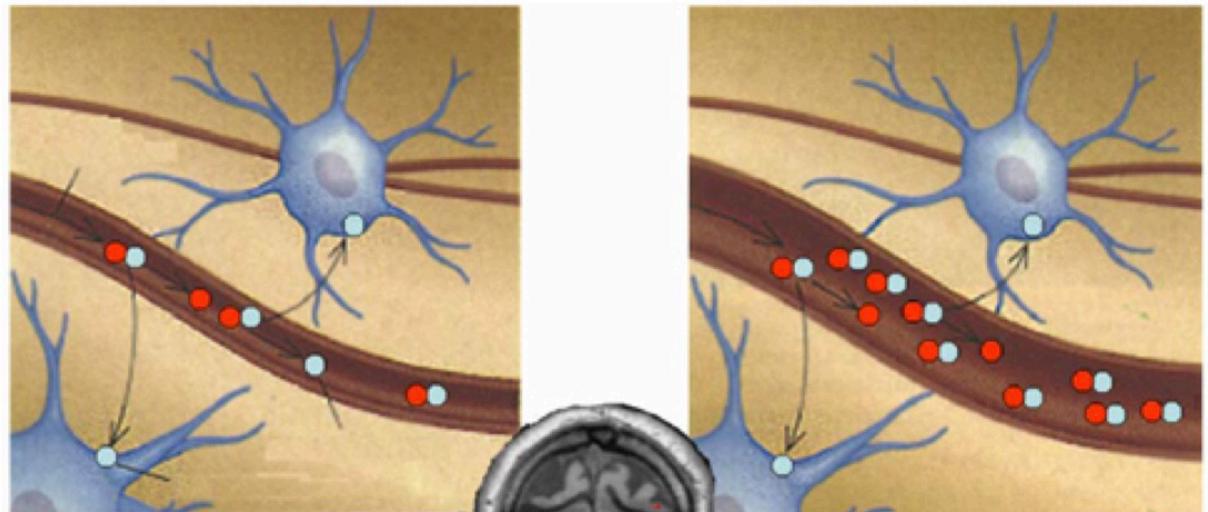
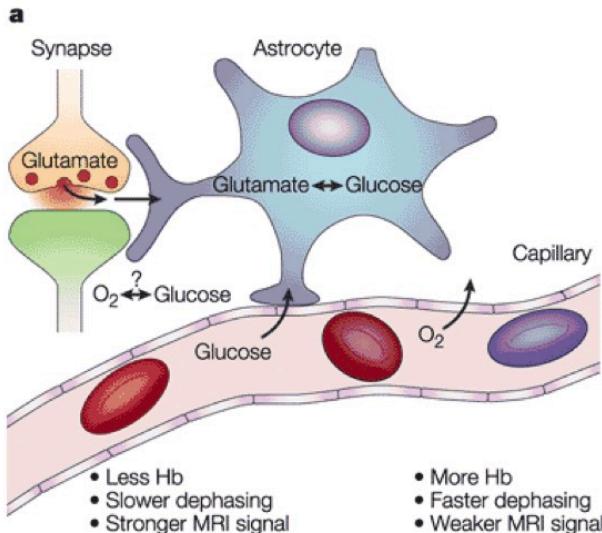


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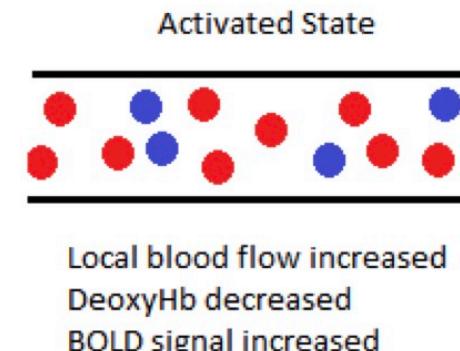
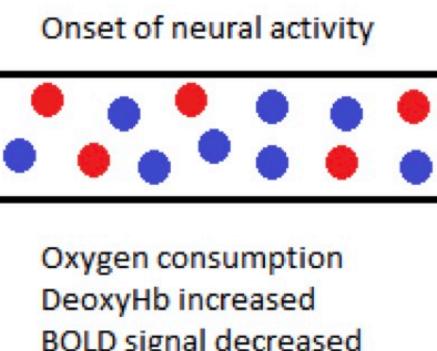
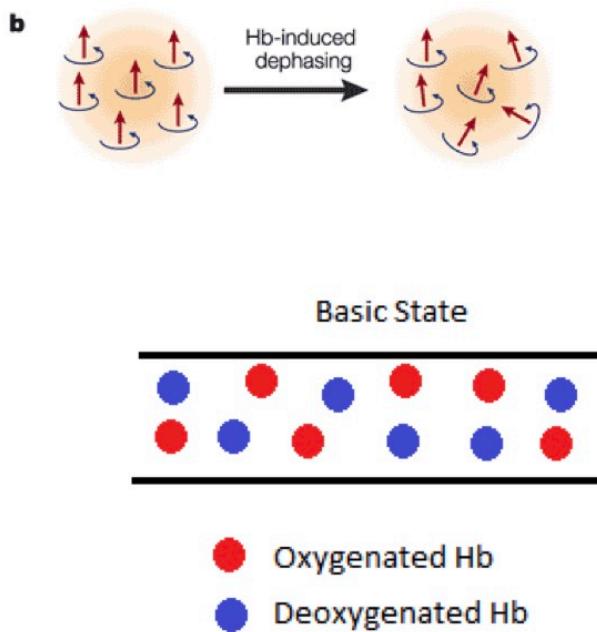


presence of deoxygenated hemoglobin affects local magnetic fields causing a more rapid T2 relaxation after an RF pulse

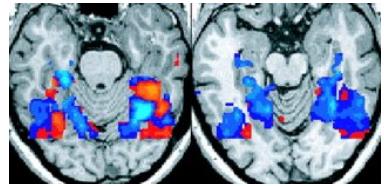
BOLD (Blood Oxygen Level Dependent) Response



increase in
blood flow
from brain
activity demands

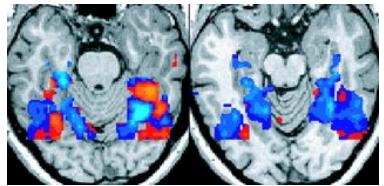


fMRI (functional MRI)



what does fMRI measure?

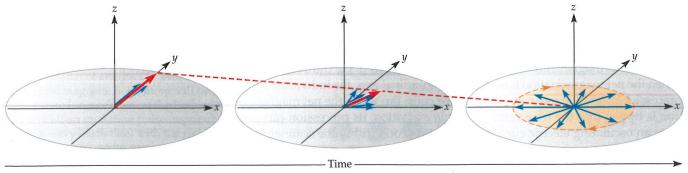
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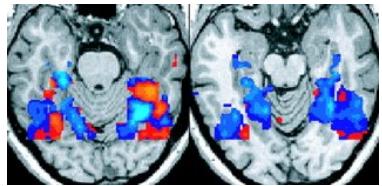
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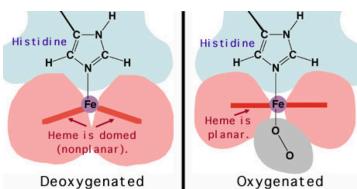
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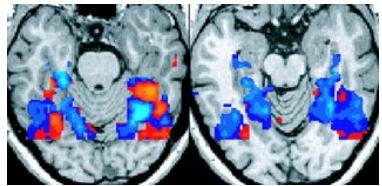
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change in proportion of deoxy hemoglobin



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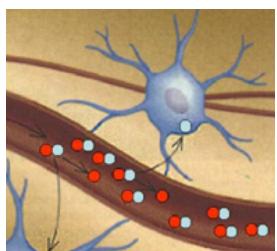
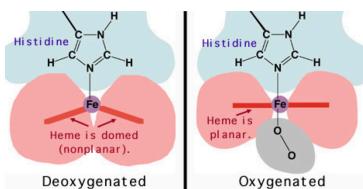
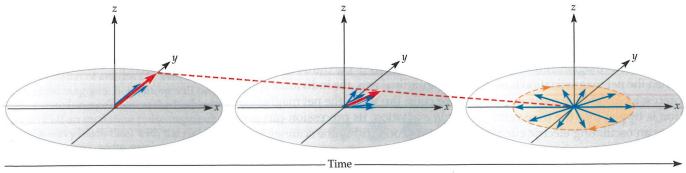
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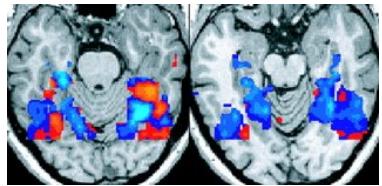
change in proportion of deoxy hemoglobin



local change in blood flow



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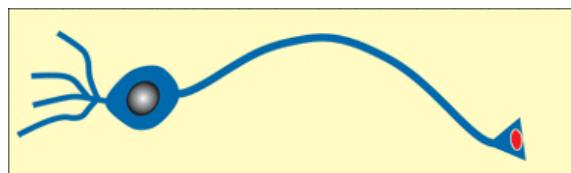
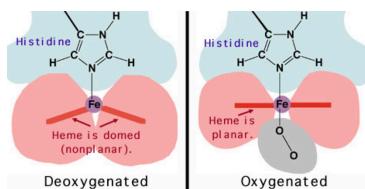
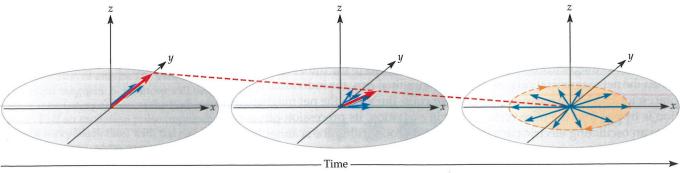
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local change neural activity



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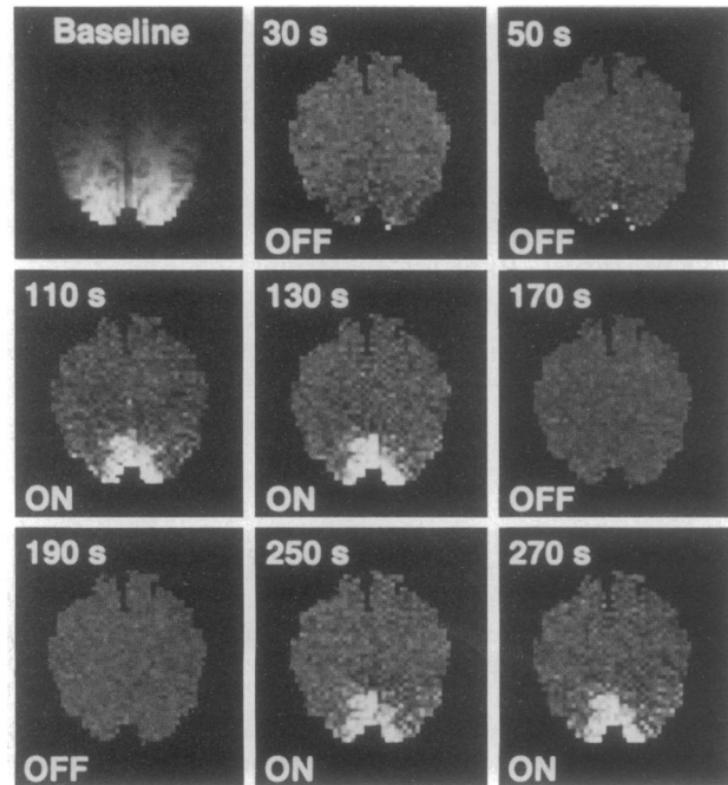
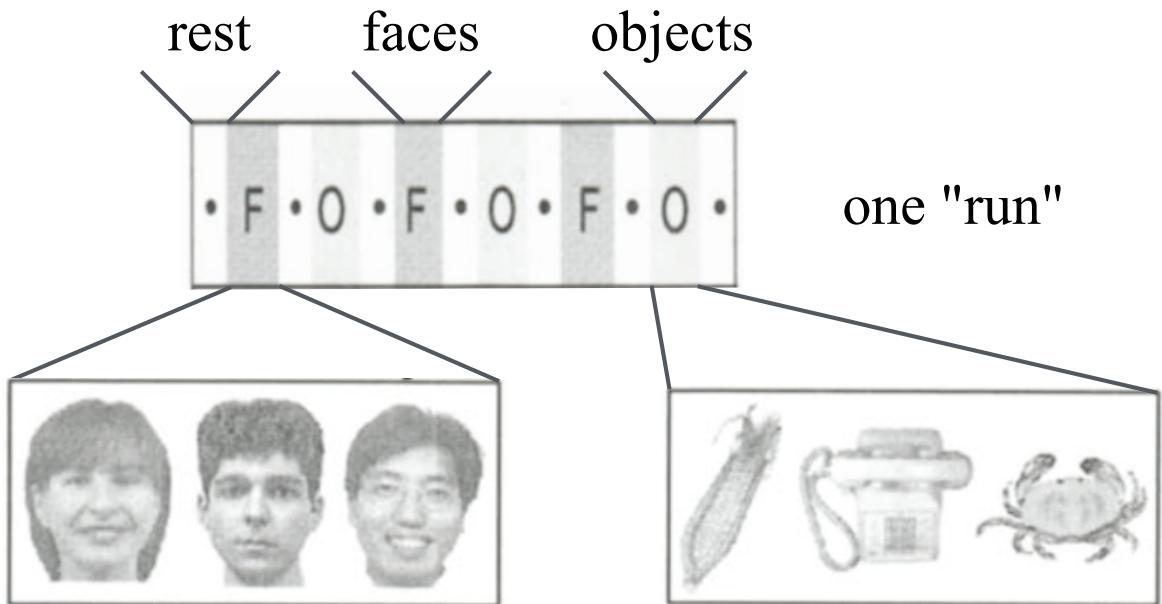
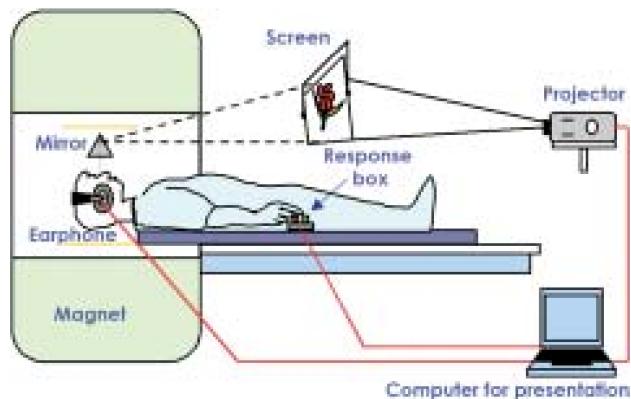


FIG. 1. Noninvasive, real-time MRI mapping of V1 activation during visual stimulation. Images are obliquely aligned along the calcarine fissures with the occipital pole at the bottom. Images were acquired at 3.5-s intervals using an IR sequence (80 images total). A baseline image acquired during darkness (*Upper Left*) was subtracted from subsequent images. Eight of these subtraction images are displayed, chosen when the image intensities (see Fig. 2) reached a steady-state signal level, during darkness (OFF) and during 8-Hz photic stimulation (ON). During stimulation, local increases in signal intensity are detected in the medial-posterior regions of the occipital lobes along the calcarine fissures.

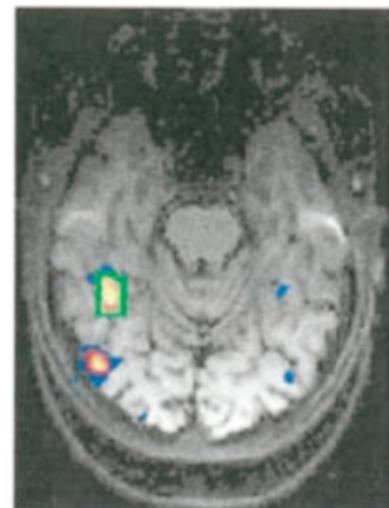
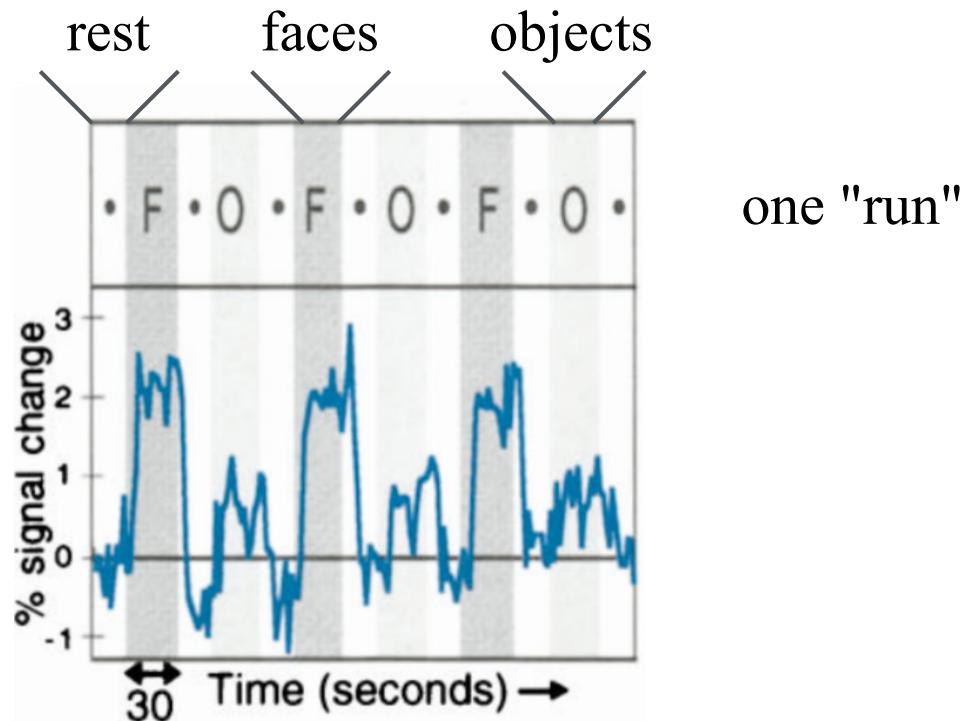
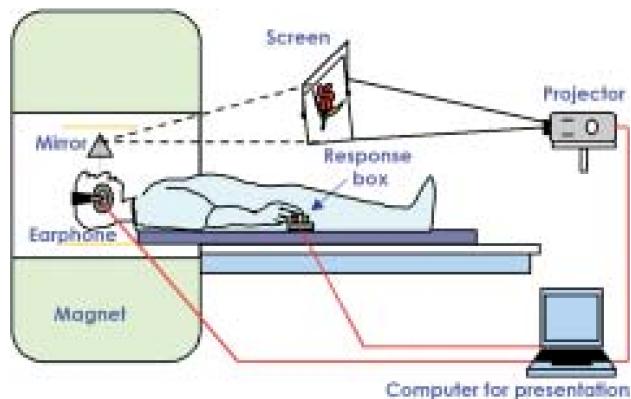
first functional brain image without use of injected contrast agents, Kwong et al. 1992, PNAS*

*rejected by *Nature* because a paper with fMRI with injected contrast agents had just appeared in *Science*

"blocked design" with fMRI



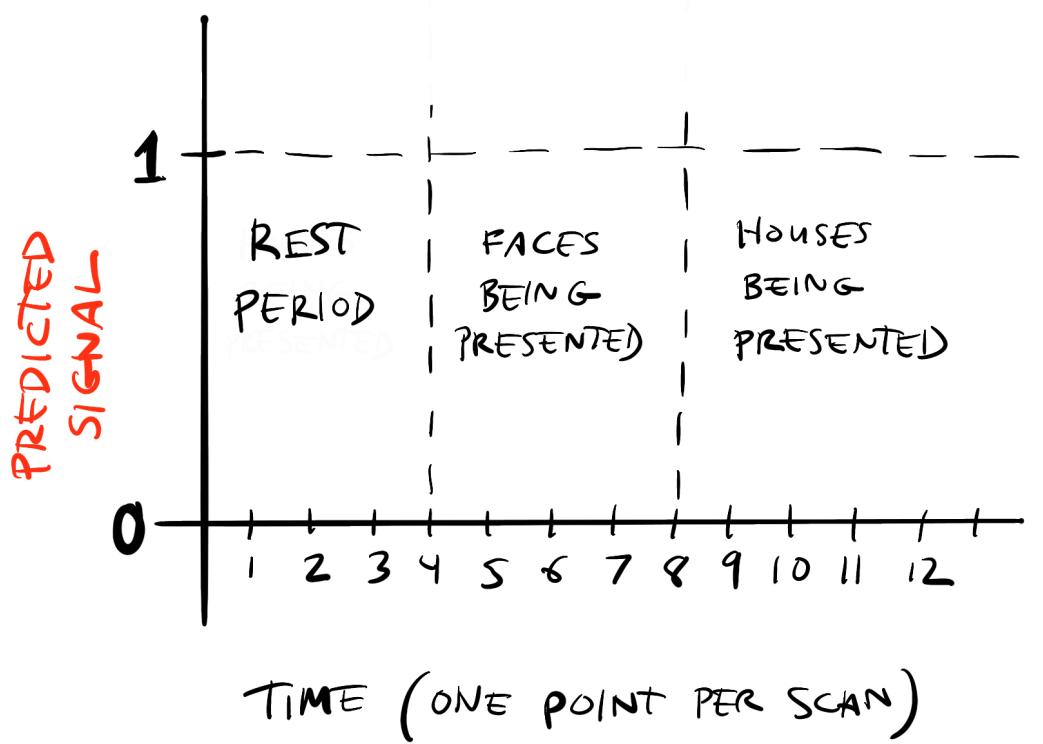
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FFA (fusiform face area)

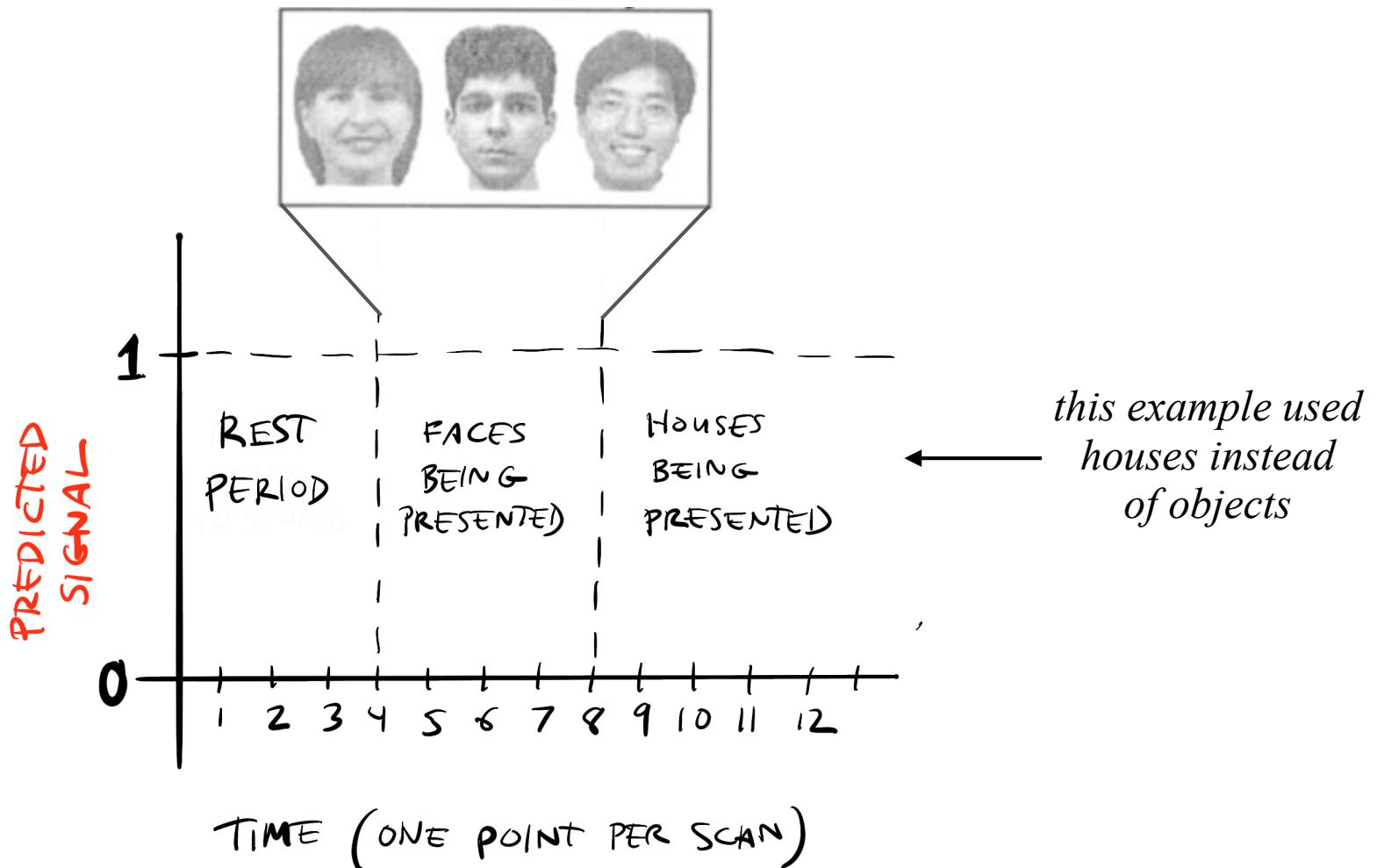
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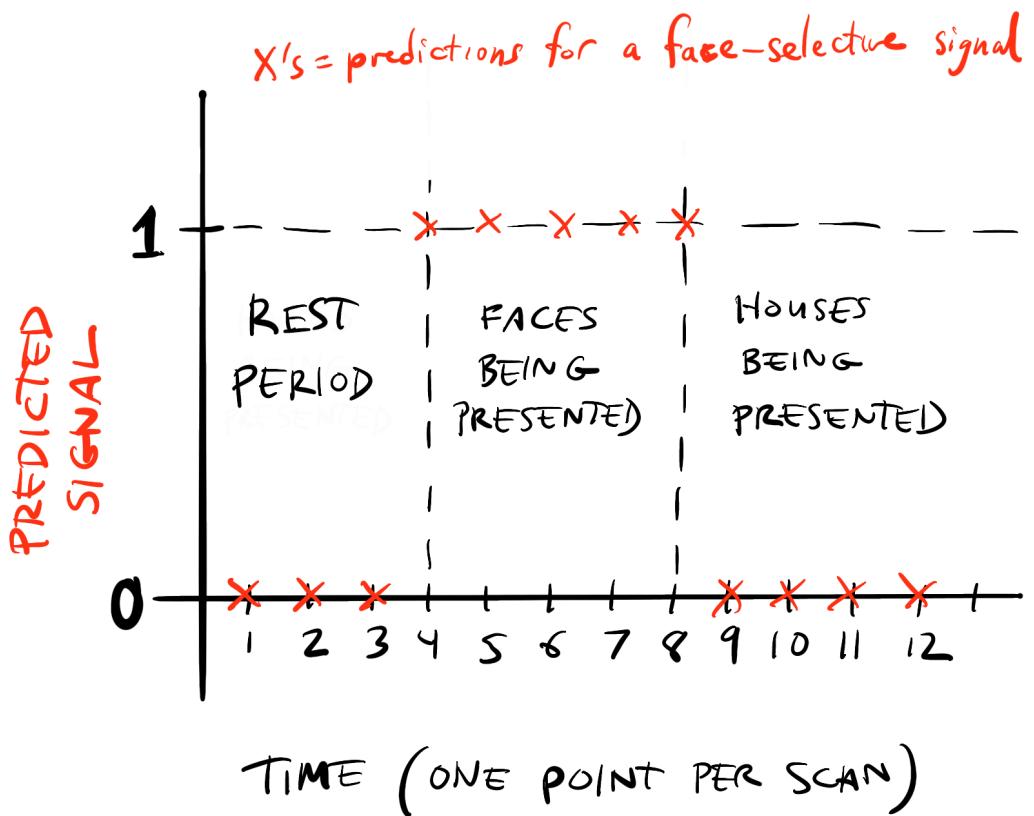
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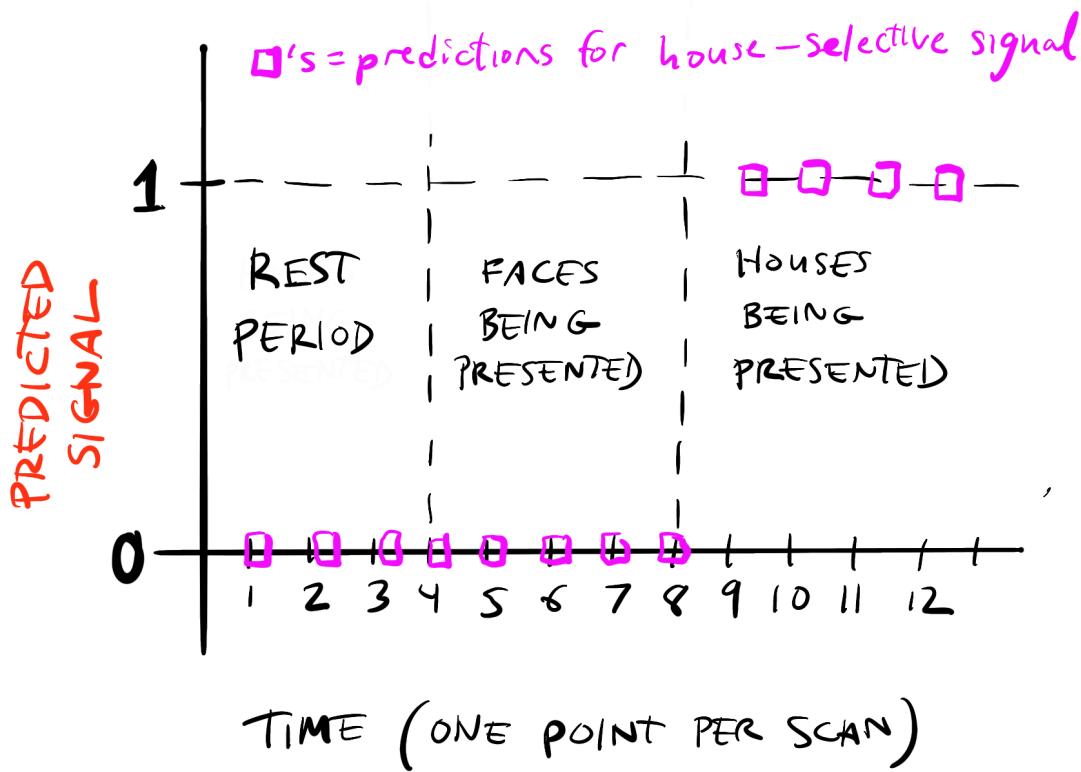
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y is predicted
fMRI response

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * \text{face} + \beta_2 * \text{house} + \text{noise}$$

