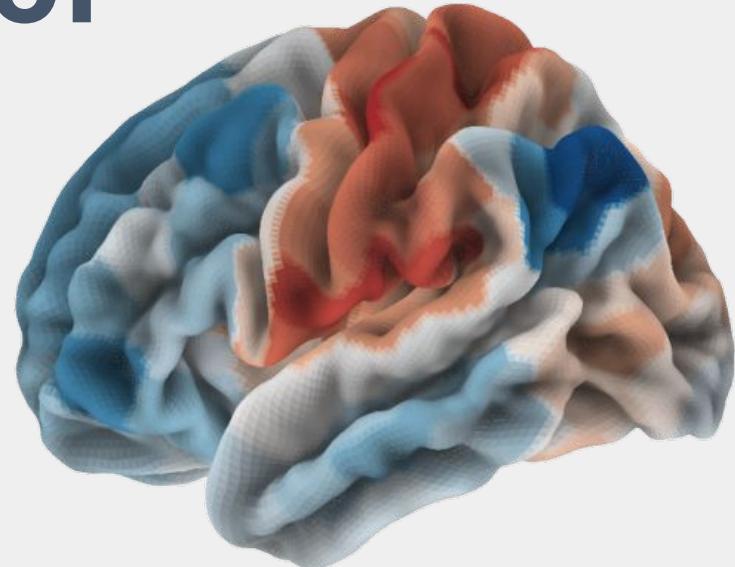


Fundamentals of fMRI data analysis

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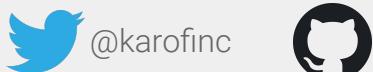
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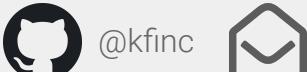
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Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging



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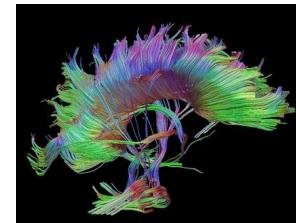


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MRI (T1)



DTI



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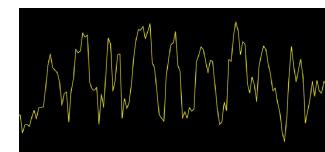
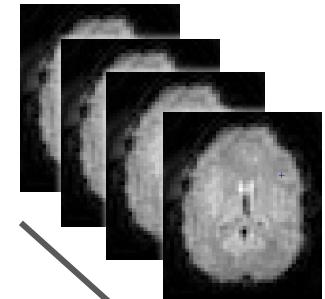


DTI



Functional

fMRI (T2*)

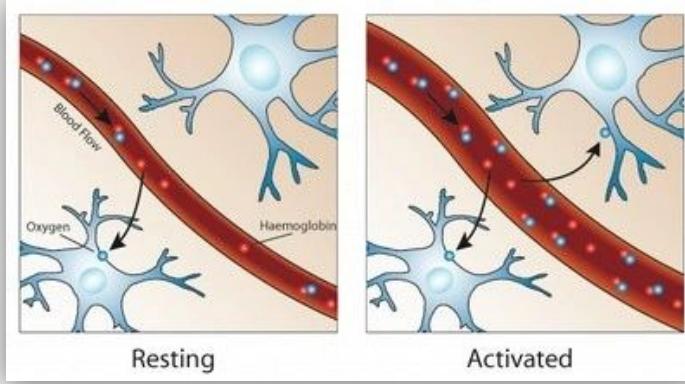


How to measure brain activity with fMRI?



BOLD signal

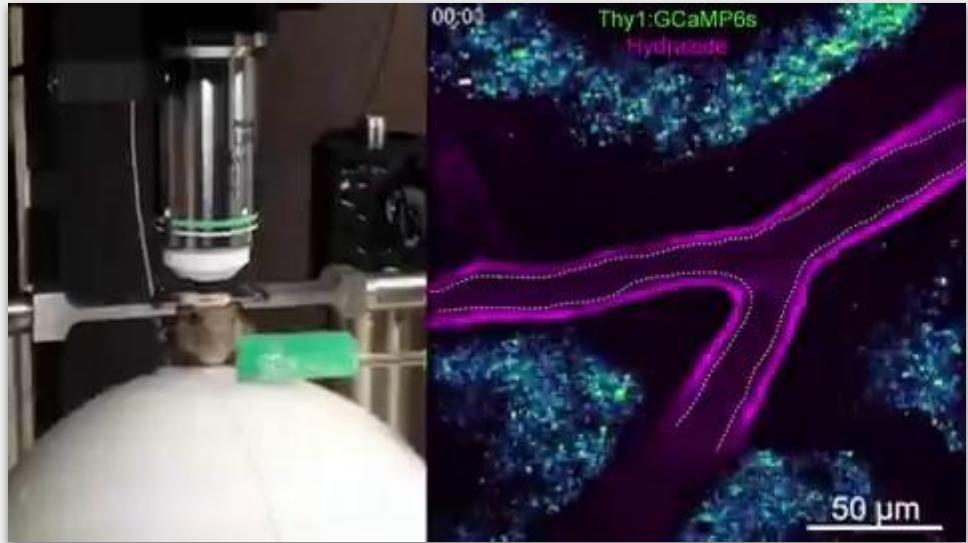
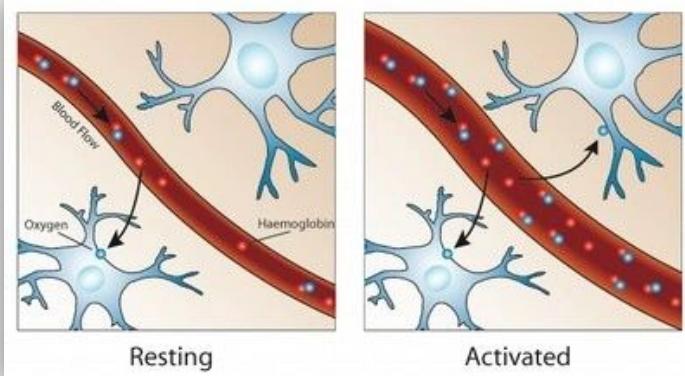
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Ratio of **oxygenated** to deoxygenated hemoglobin in the blood.

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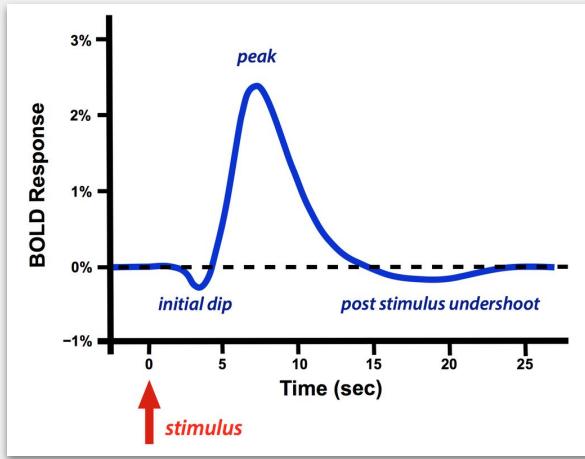
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Chow et al. (2020), *Nature*.

Haemodynamic response function



The change in BOLD signal that follows a brief period of neuronal activity.

Peak about 5 seconds after stimulation

Undershoot (returns to baseline in for at least 15-20 seconds)

The shape of HRF may differ in different brain areas or between subjects subjects.

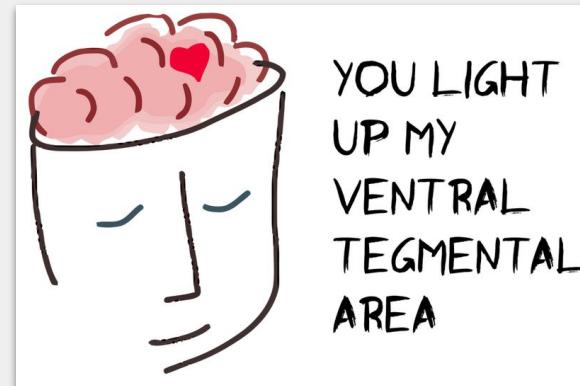
Cool stuff:

<https://www.slideshare.net/rnja8c/fmri-study-design>

Remember!

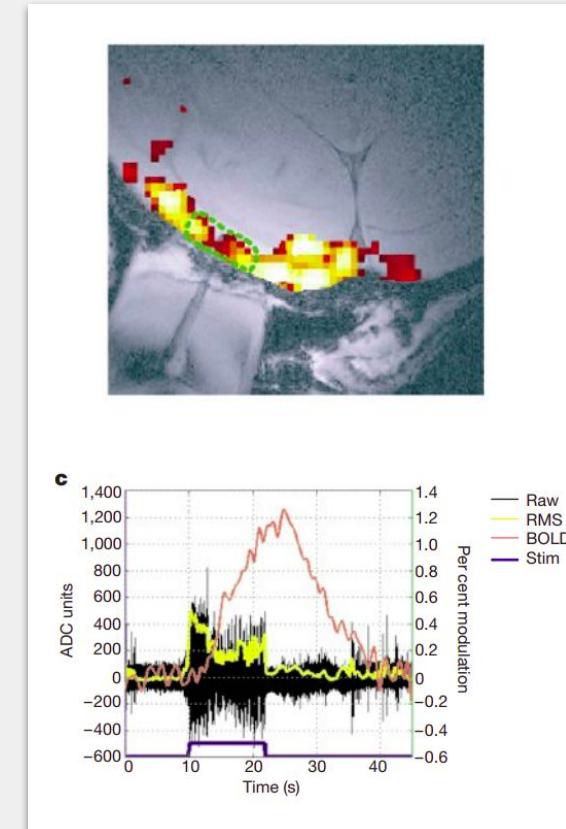
BOLD signal is not a direct measure of neuronal activity!

It measures **metabolic demands** of active neurons (oxygen consumption).



But...

BOLD signal corresponds closely to the local field potential - the electrical field potential surrounding group of neurons.



Logothetis et al. (2001), *Nature*.

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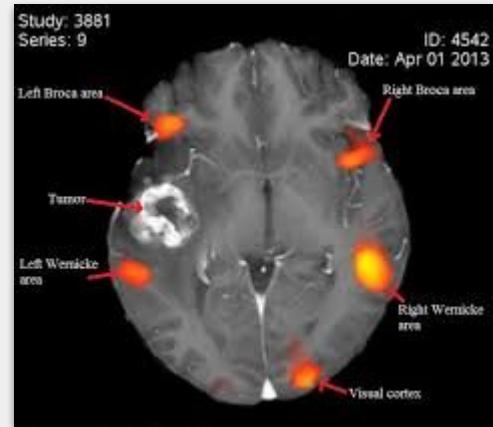


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Understanding how the human brain works in health and disease.

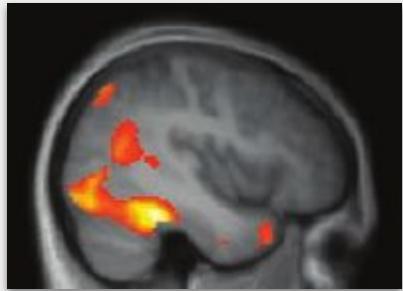
Example questions:

- How cognitive functions are organized in the human brain?
- How the human brain changes during learning?
- Can we diagnose psychiatric illness based on brain activity ?
- Can we predict neurodegenerative disorder based on brain activity?
- Can we use knowledge about how the human brain works to build more efficient artificial intelligence?



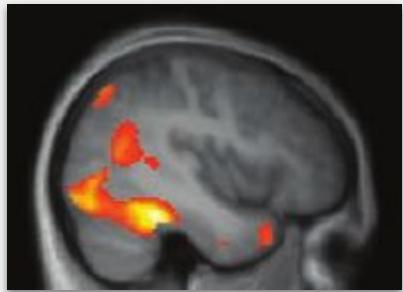
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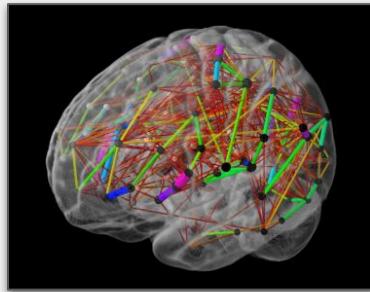


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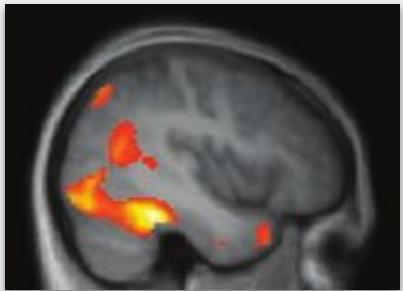


Functional connectivity

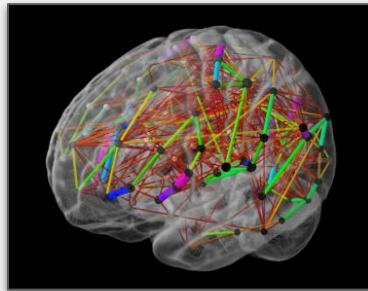


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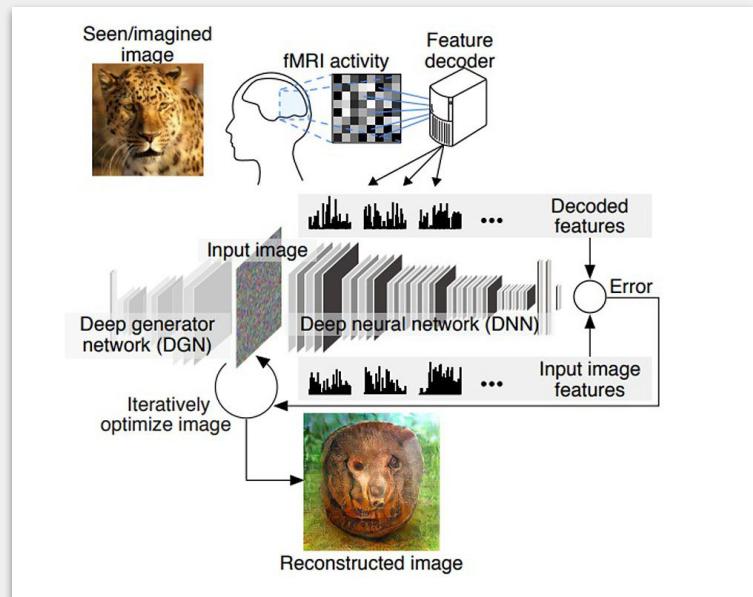
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Machine learning



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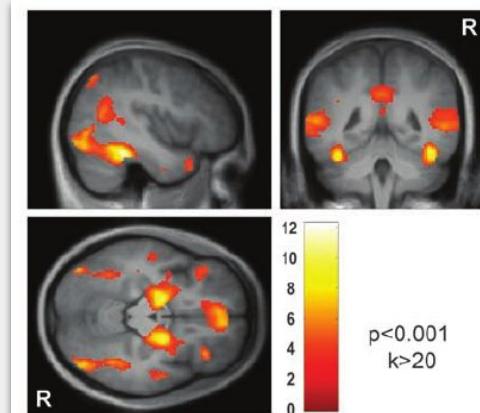
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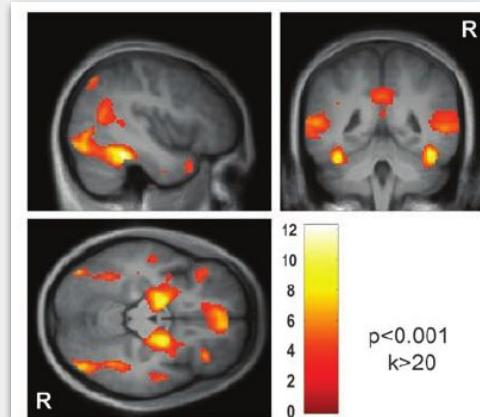
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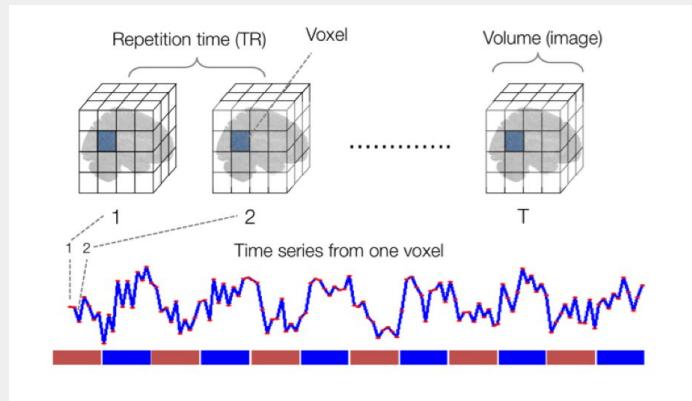
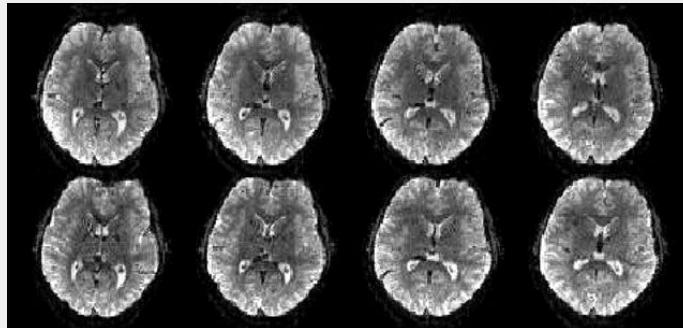


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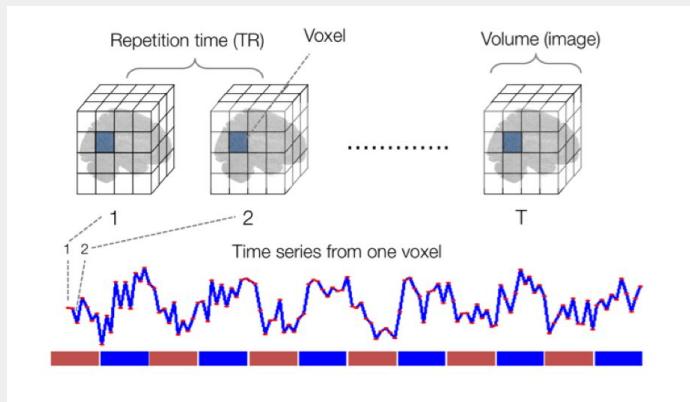
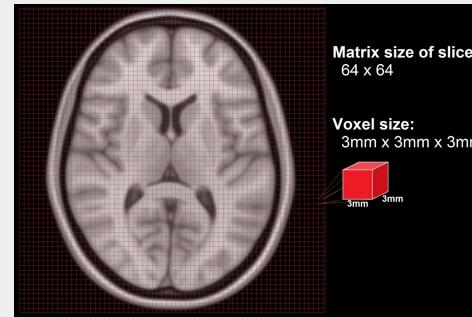
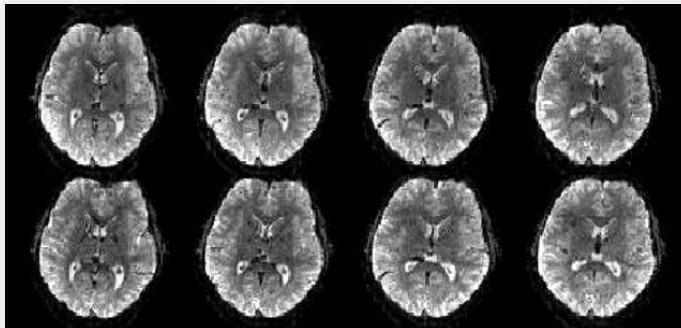


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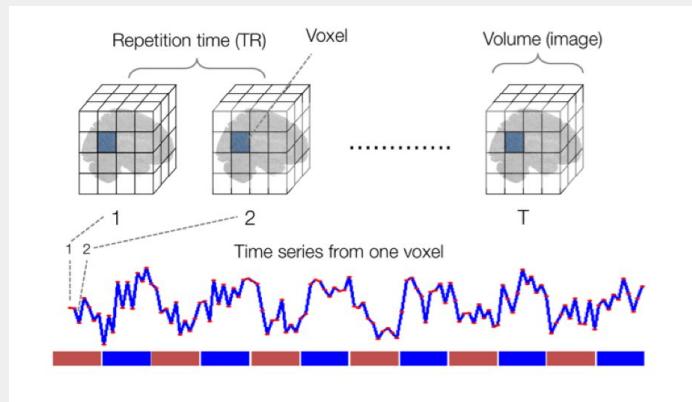
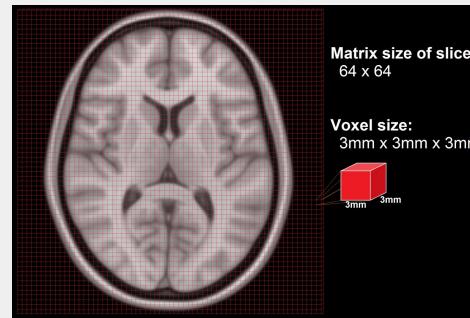
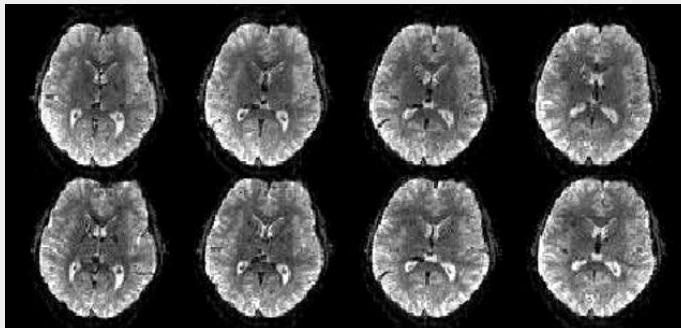
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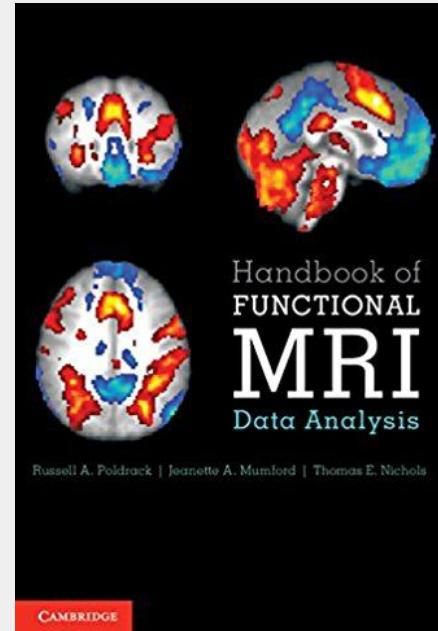


Challenges:

- Magnitude of signal changes is quite small - 0.5 - 5%
- Number of artifacts, head movement
- Variability within and between individuals
- High dimensionality of data

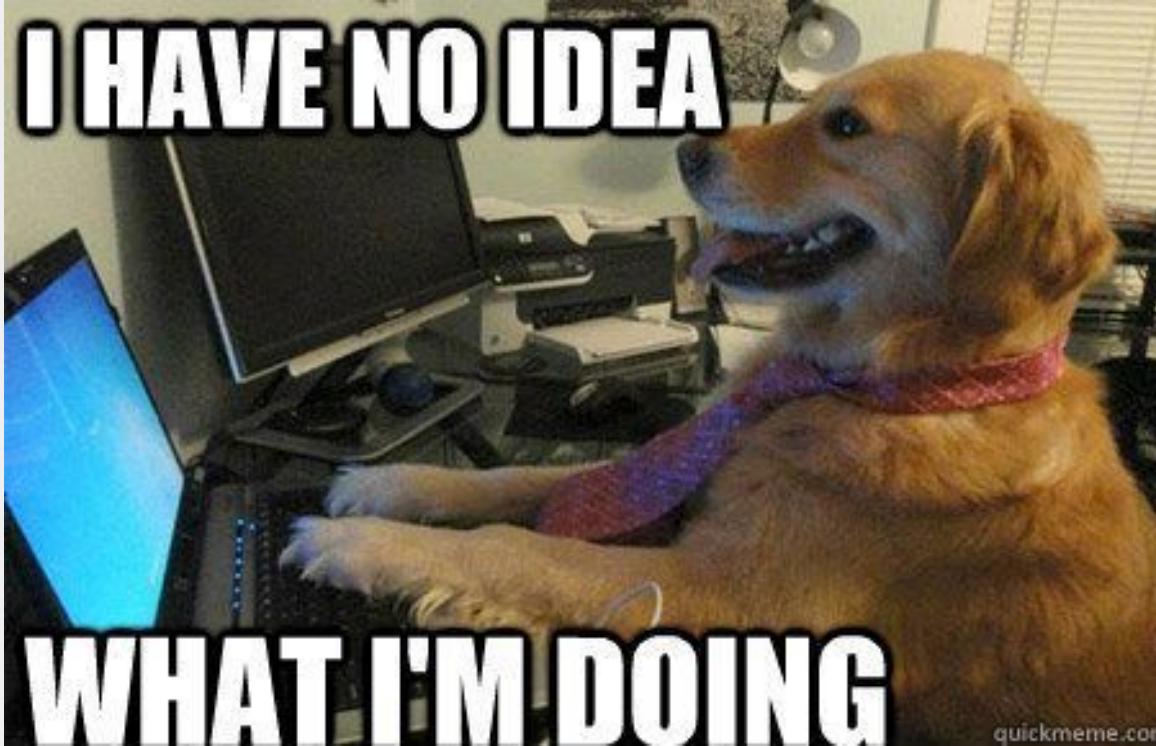
How to become an fMRI data analysis master?

1. Probability and statistics
2. Computer programming (Python/MATLAB)
3. Linear algebra
4. Magnetic resonance imaging
5. Neurophysiology and biophysics
6. Signal and image processing



... it can take many years!

I HAVE NO IDEA
WHAT I'M DOING



How to become neuro(i)magician?



Hogwarts approach

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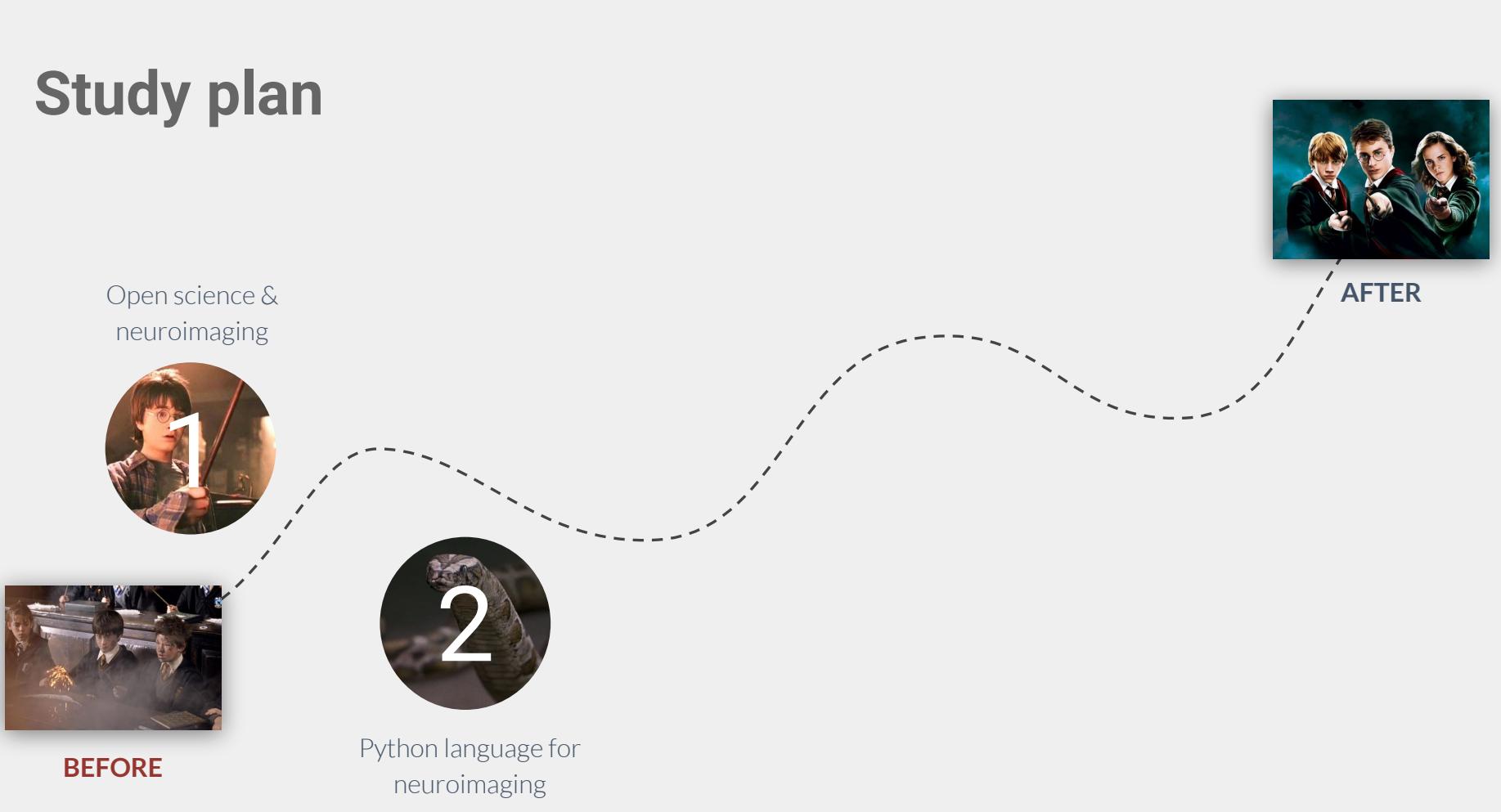
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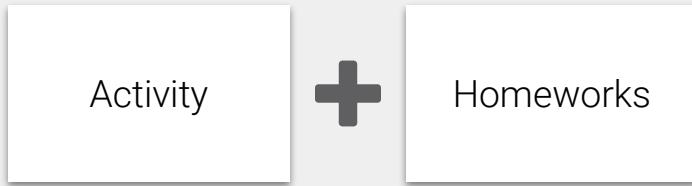
Machine Learning on fMRI data

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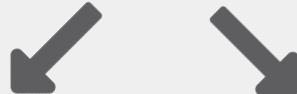
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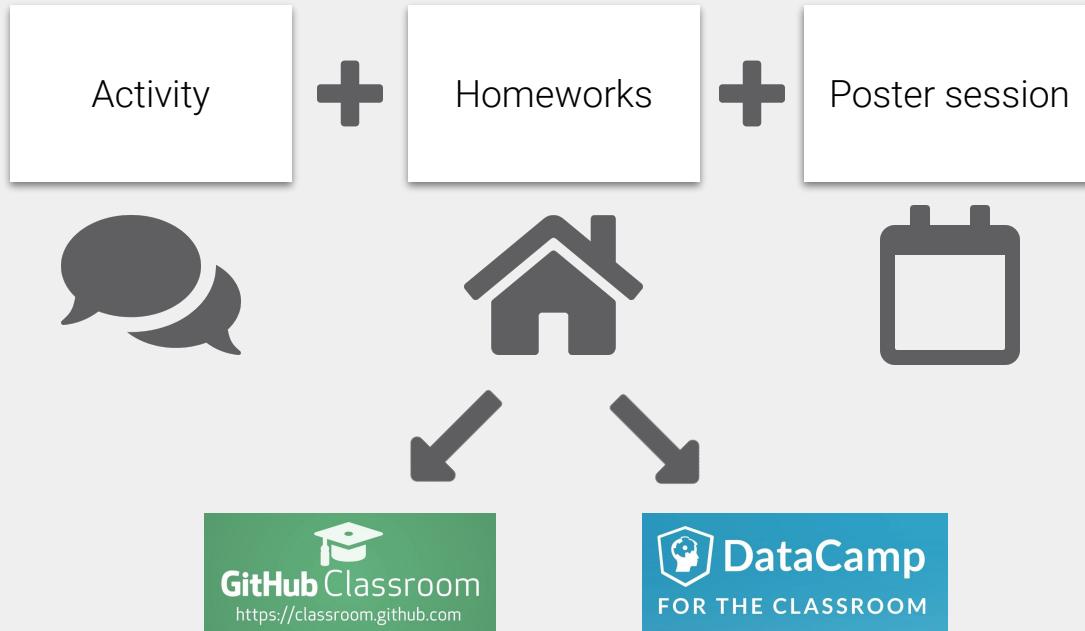
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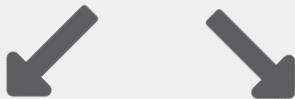
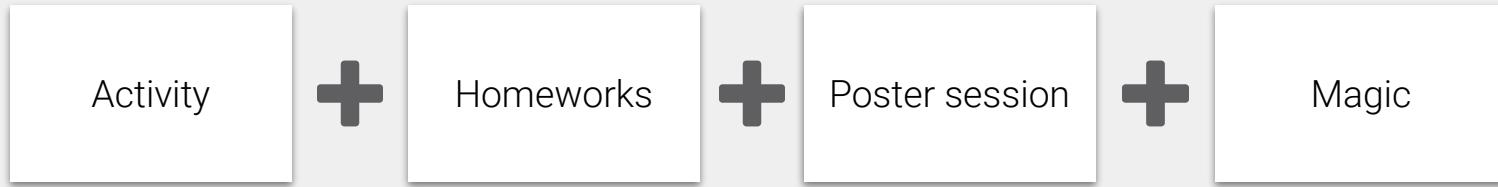
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