

# Analysis II: Correlation and Regression

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# Overview

- Today's data set
- Correlation
- Linear regression
- HW #4

# Today's data set

- Data from Sarah Wilterson, graduate student in Jordan Taylor's Lab at Princeton

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## RESEARCH ARTICLE | *Control of Movement*

### Relative sensitivity of explicit reaiming and implicit motor adaptation

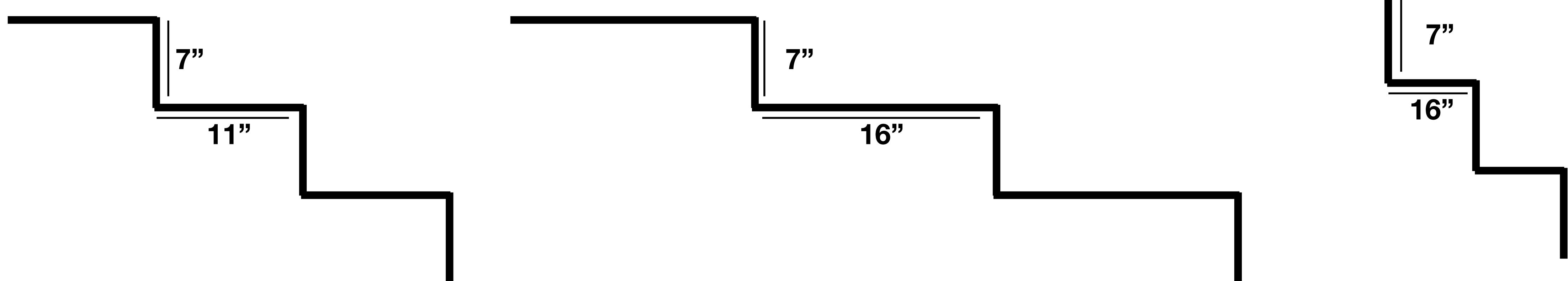
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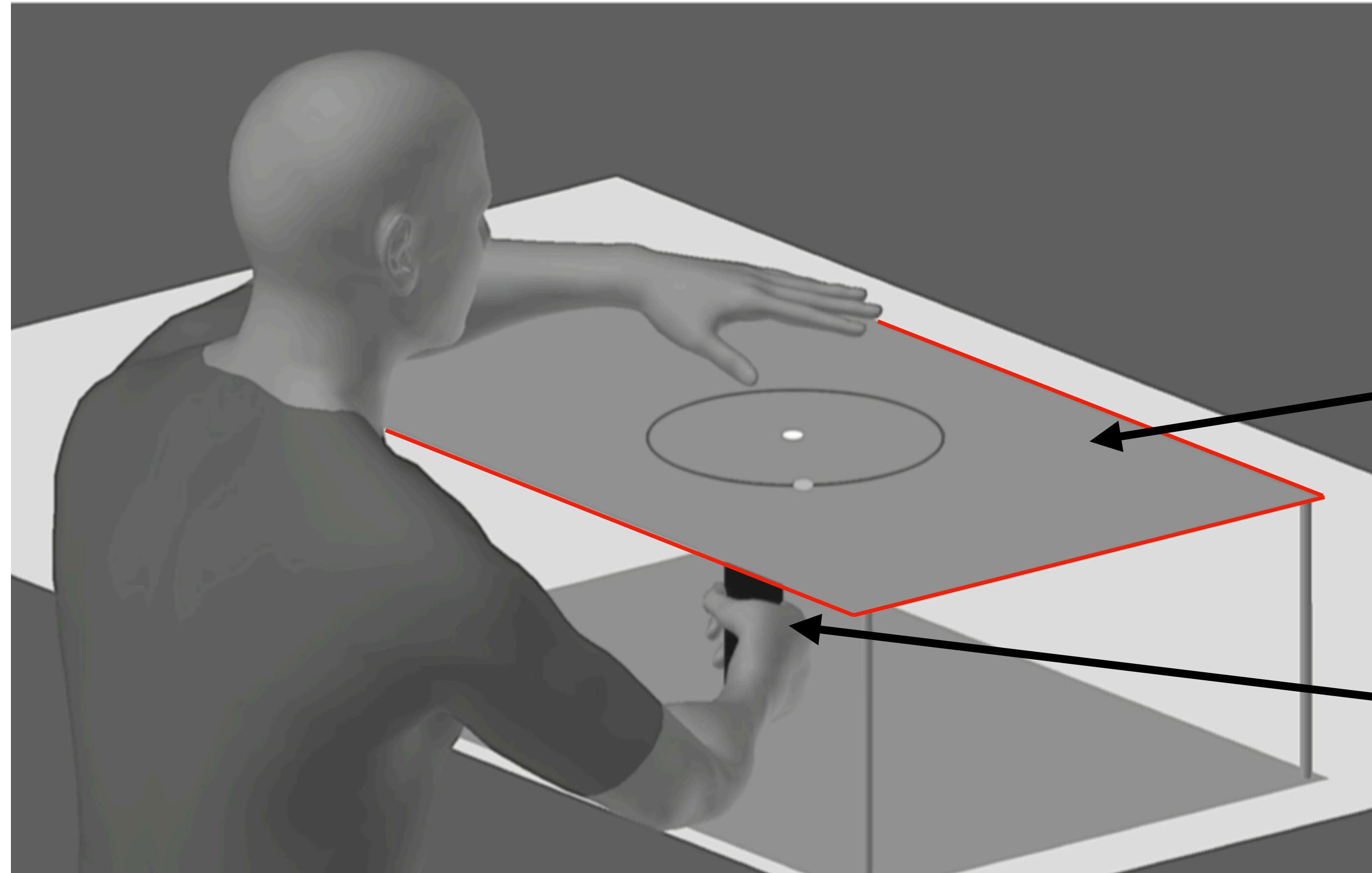
- **Motor adaptation:** process of adapting motor control to changing environment
- Example: adjusting to different stairs



# Today's data set

- What contributes to motor adaptation?
  - **Implicit adaptation:** unconsciously adjust motor movements following feedback (e.g. stub your toe on stairs and so reflexively change gait)
  - **Explicit re-aiming:** consciously change motor movement (e.g. see weird stairs and take smaller or larger steps to adapt)
- Hutter et al 2018: How do implicit adaptation and explicit re-aiming work depending on the level of error?

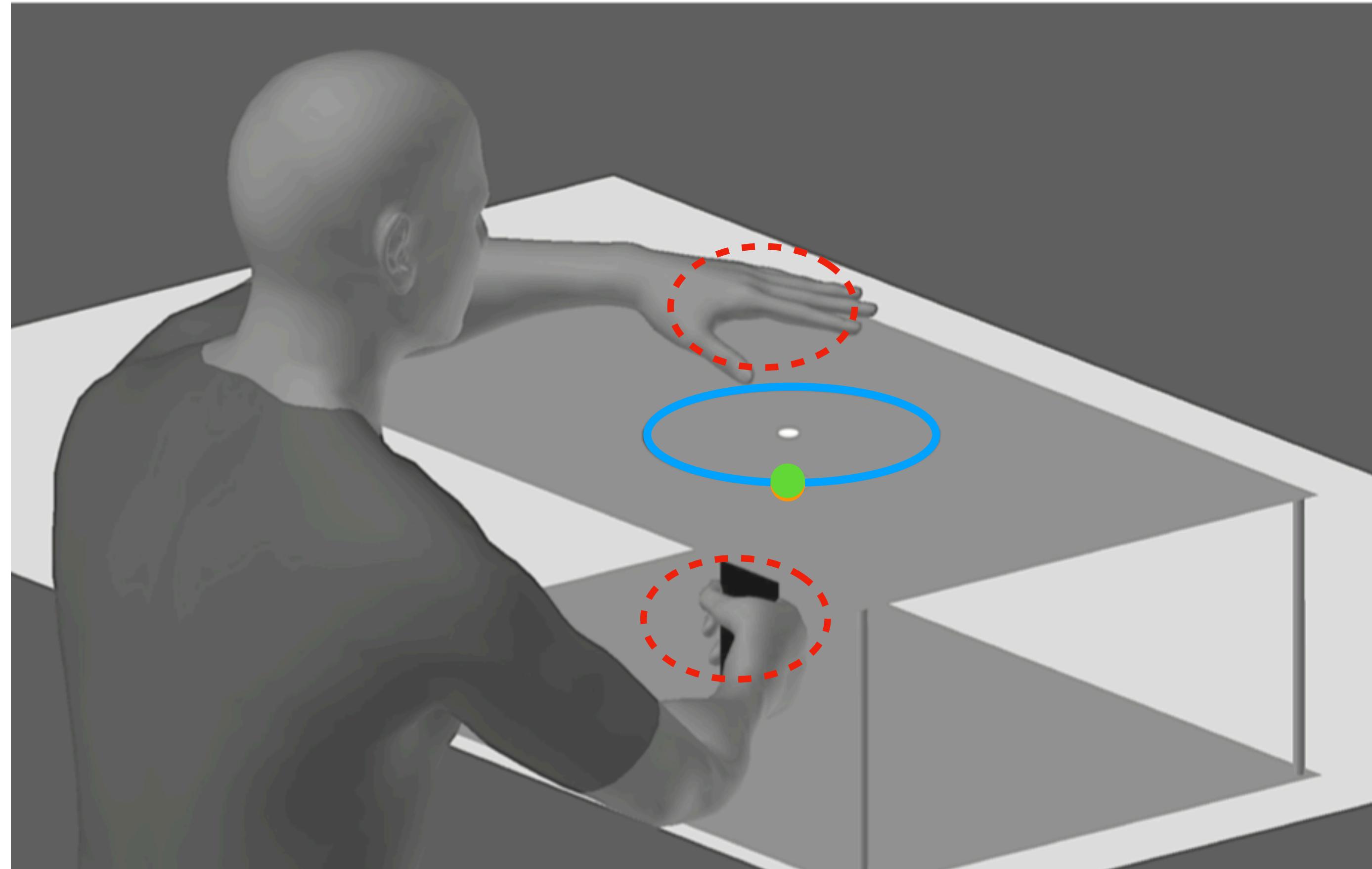
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Digital screen  
occludes right hand

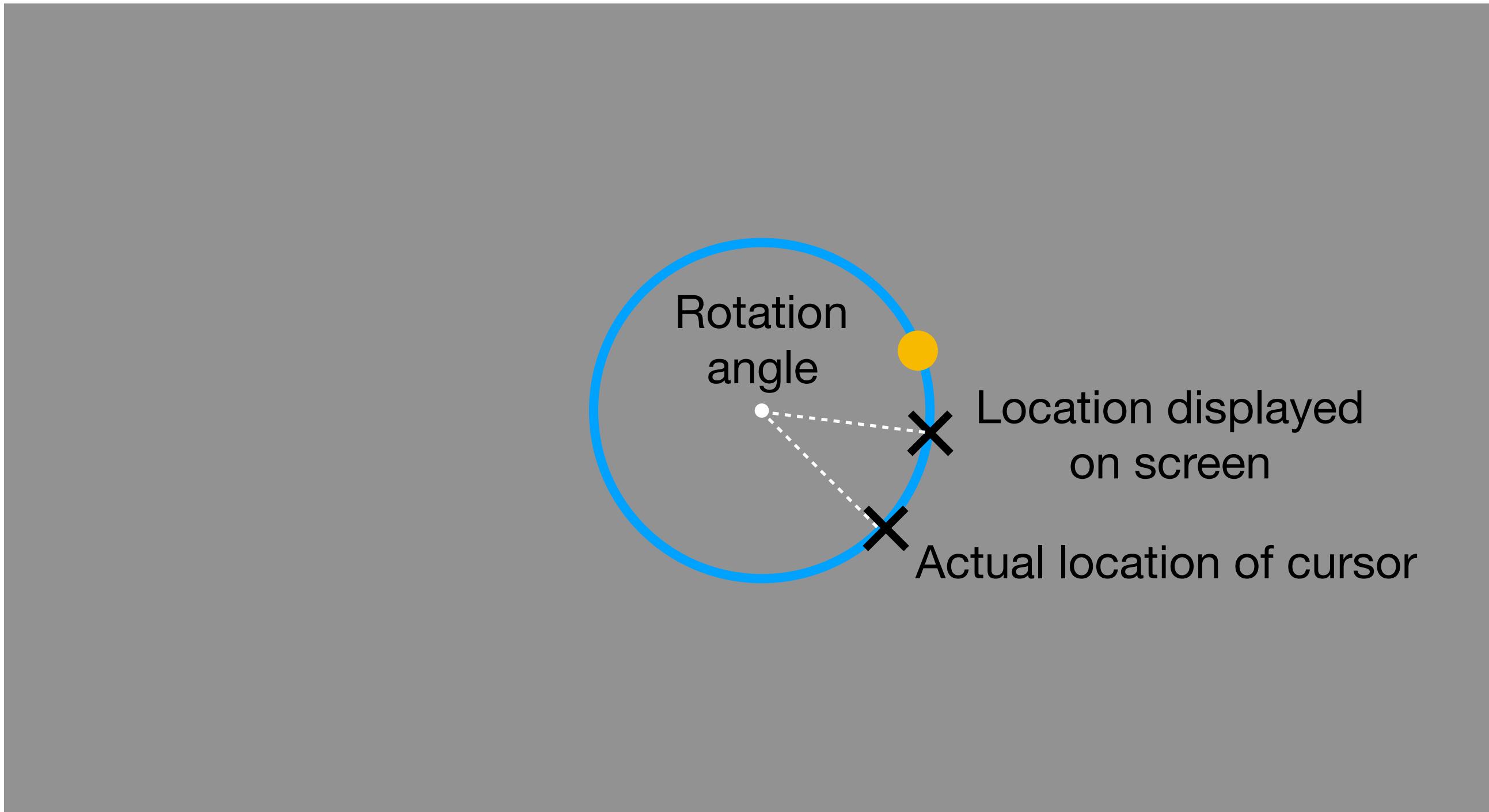
Right hand holds  
digital pen that  
controls cursor on  
digital screen

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1. Subject moves digital pen to center
2. Orange target dot appears anywhere on circle with 7cm radius from center
3. Subj taps where they will aim with left hand (explicit aiming)
4. Subj moves digital pen with right hand to hit target with cursor
5. Target turns green when subject hits target

# Today's data set



- Position of cursor on the screen is different from actual position
- Rotate between -16 to +16 degrees -> manipulates amount of error

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- N = 80 subjects, 20 in each consistency group
- Two manipulations
  - Rotation angle: -16, -8, -4, -2, 0, +2, +4, +8, +16
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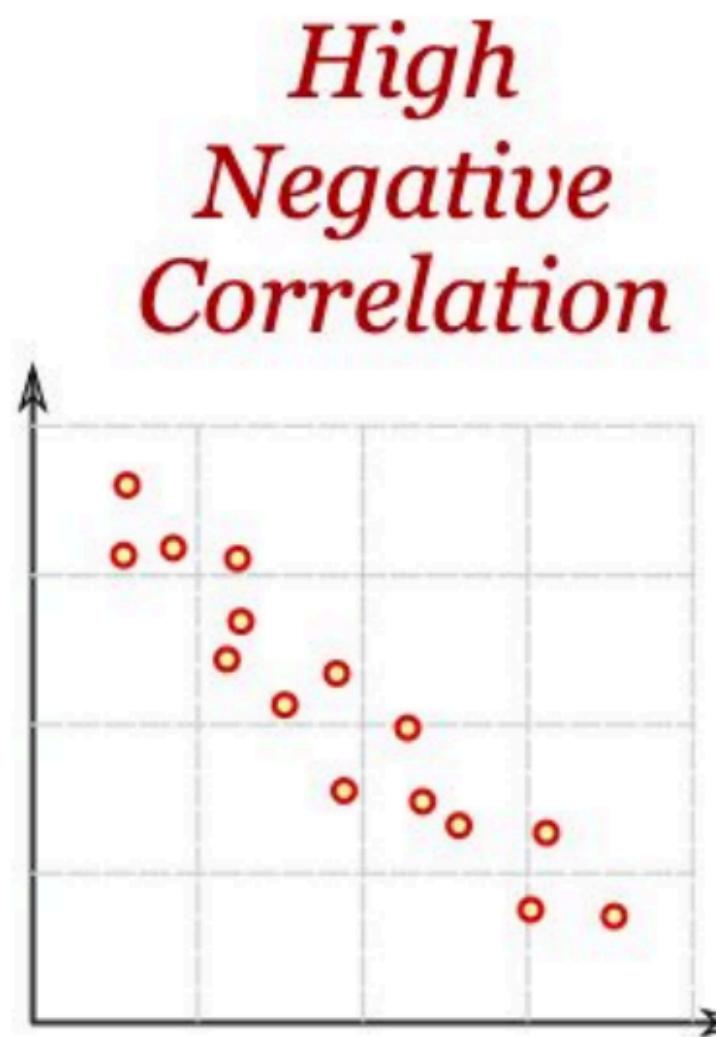
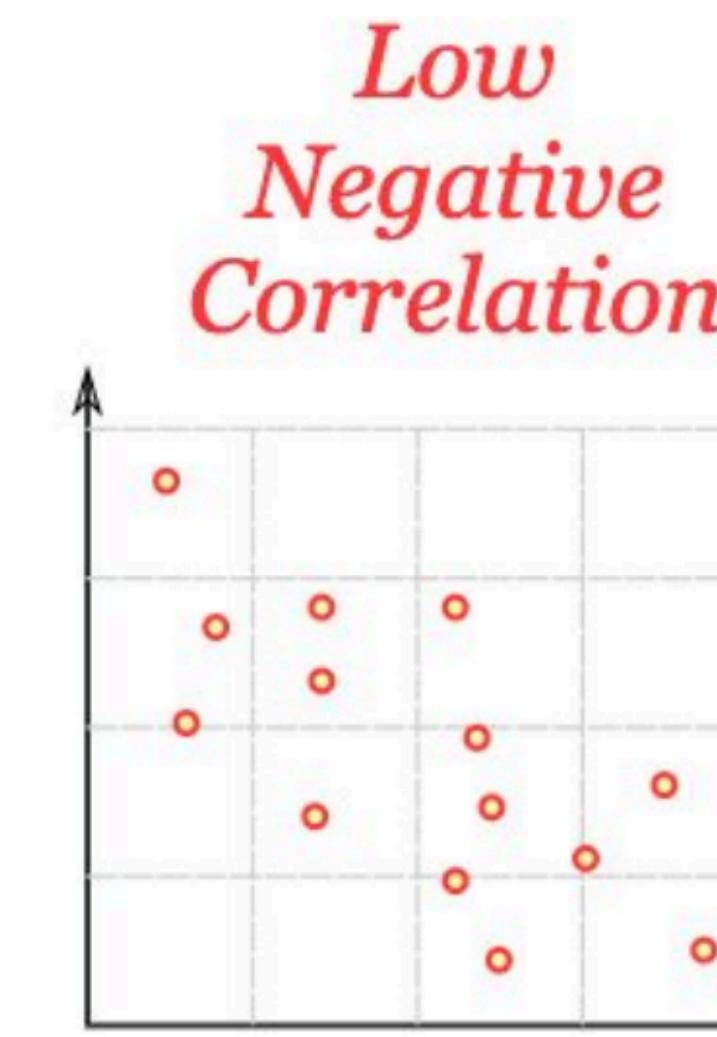
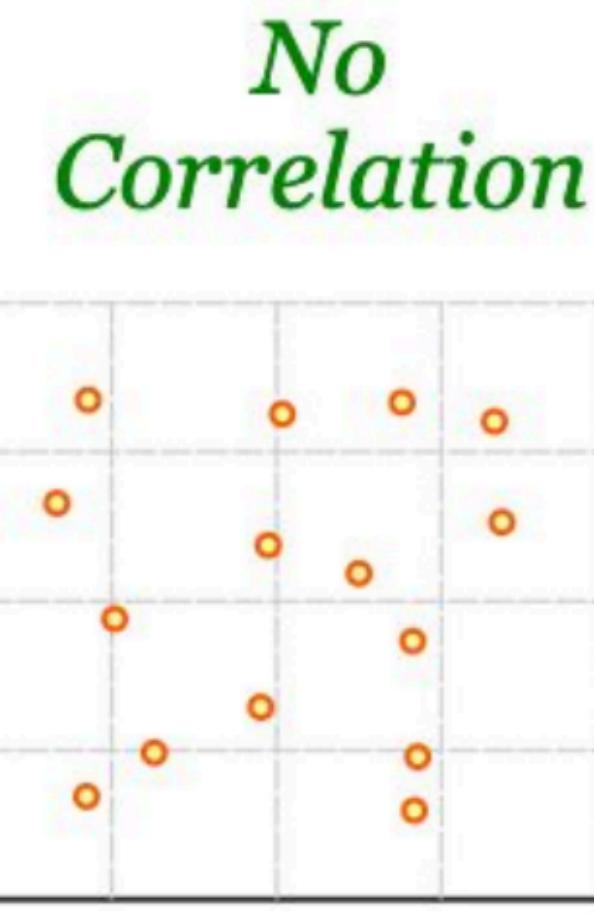
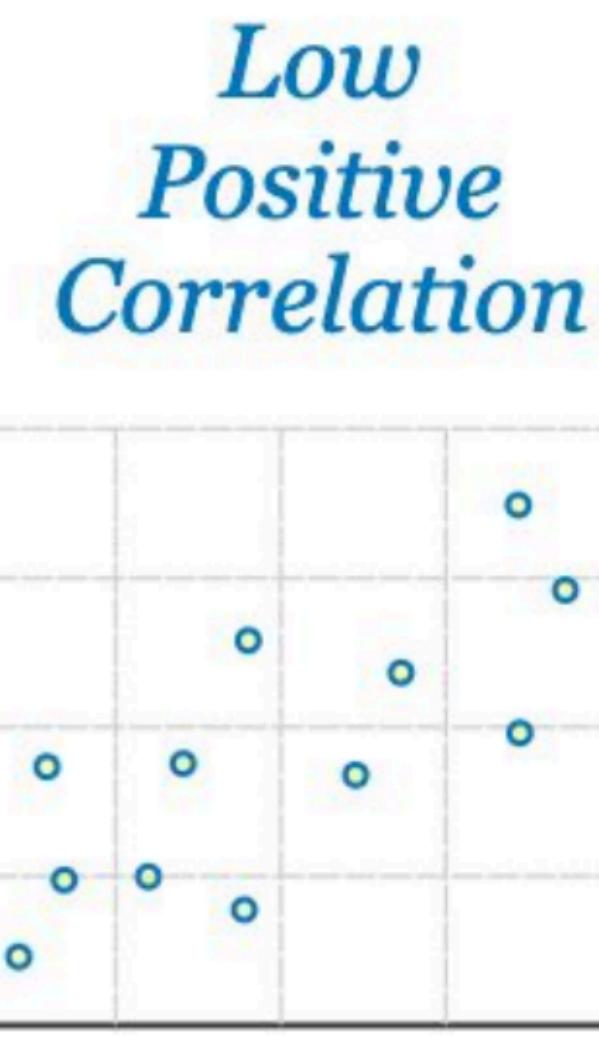
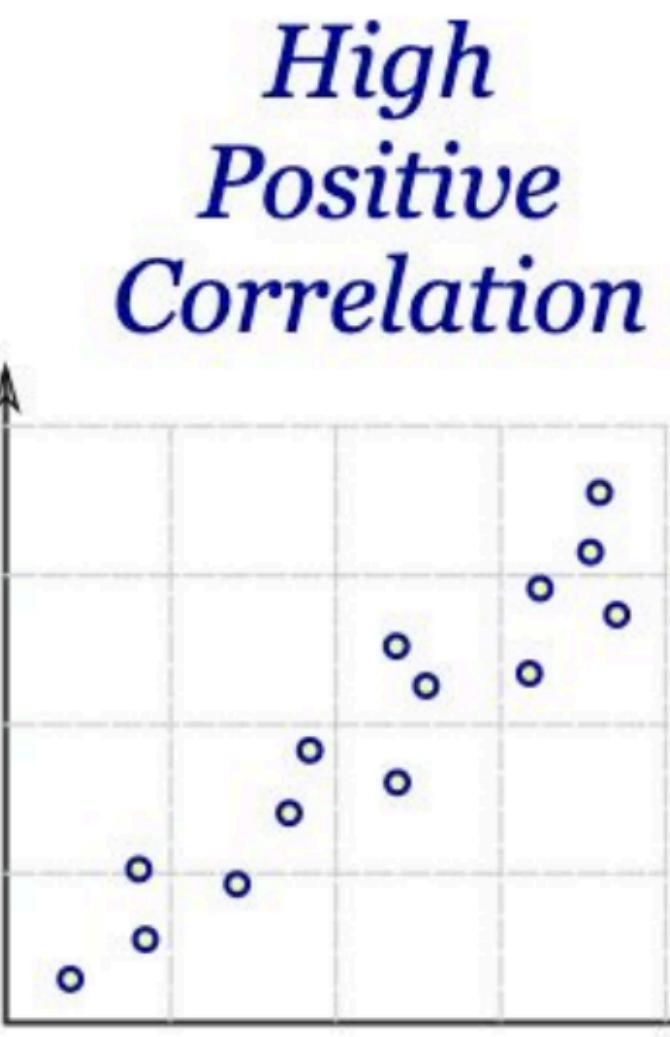
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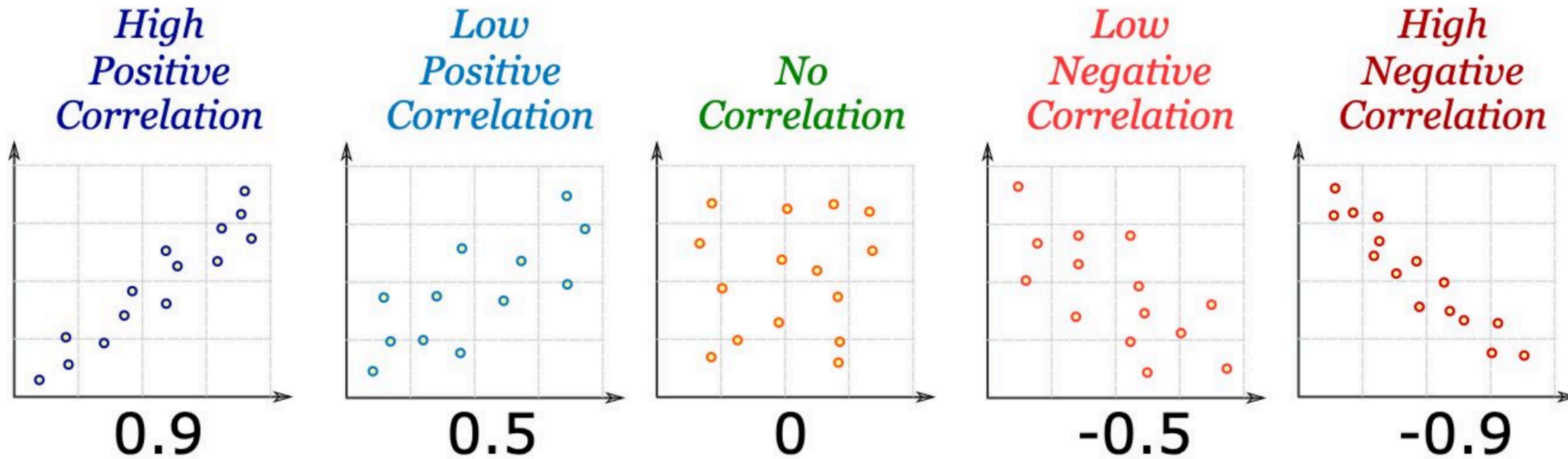
- Previously:
  - t-tests look for differences in means between groups/conditions
  - e.g. Do people learn faster in high risk versus low risk condition?
- Correlation: look for relationship between two continuous variables
  - e.g. Do these two things go up or down together?

# Correlation



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# Pearson's correlation, r

- Two variables: x and y with means  $\bar{x}$  and  $\bar{y}$

$$r = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}}$$

$$r = \frac{\text{covariance of } x \text{ and } y}{\text{var in } x \text{ and } y}$$

# Testing for significance of $r$

- Null hypothesis:  $r = 0$ , no relationship between  $x$  and  $y$
- Alternate hypothesis:  $r$  is not 0, there is a relationship between  $x$  and  $y$
- P-values
  - MATLAB assumes  $r$  is drawn from a t-distribution (various assumptions)
  - Same logic as for t-tests, ANOVA

# Pearson's correlation r

- In MATLAB:
  - `[r, p] = corr(data1, data2)`

# Linear regression

- Model relationship between x and y (e.g. rotation angle and implicit adaptation angle)
- Find the “best fit line”

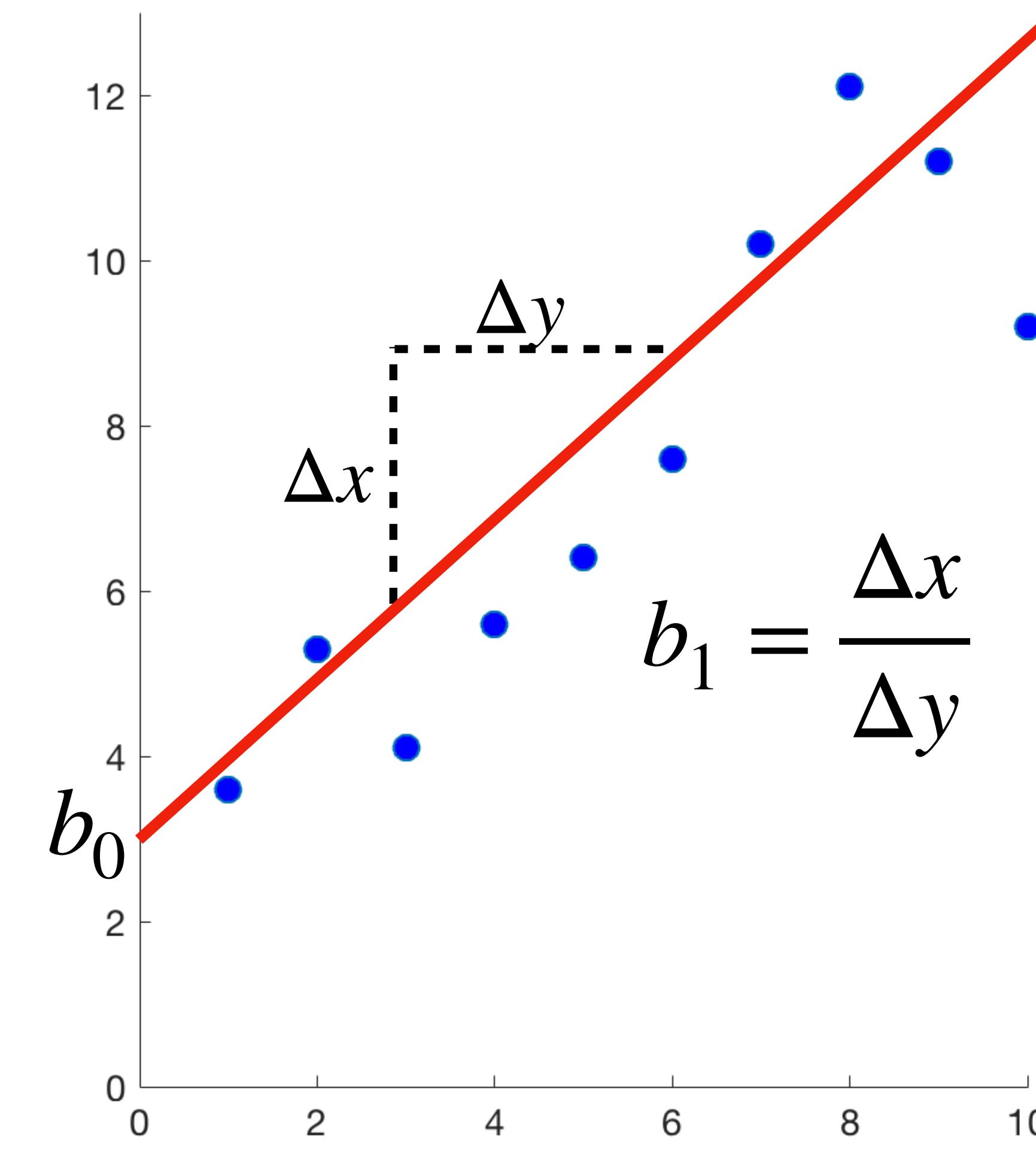
$$y = b_0 + b_1 x$$

DV,  
Outcome

y-intercept

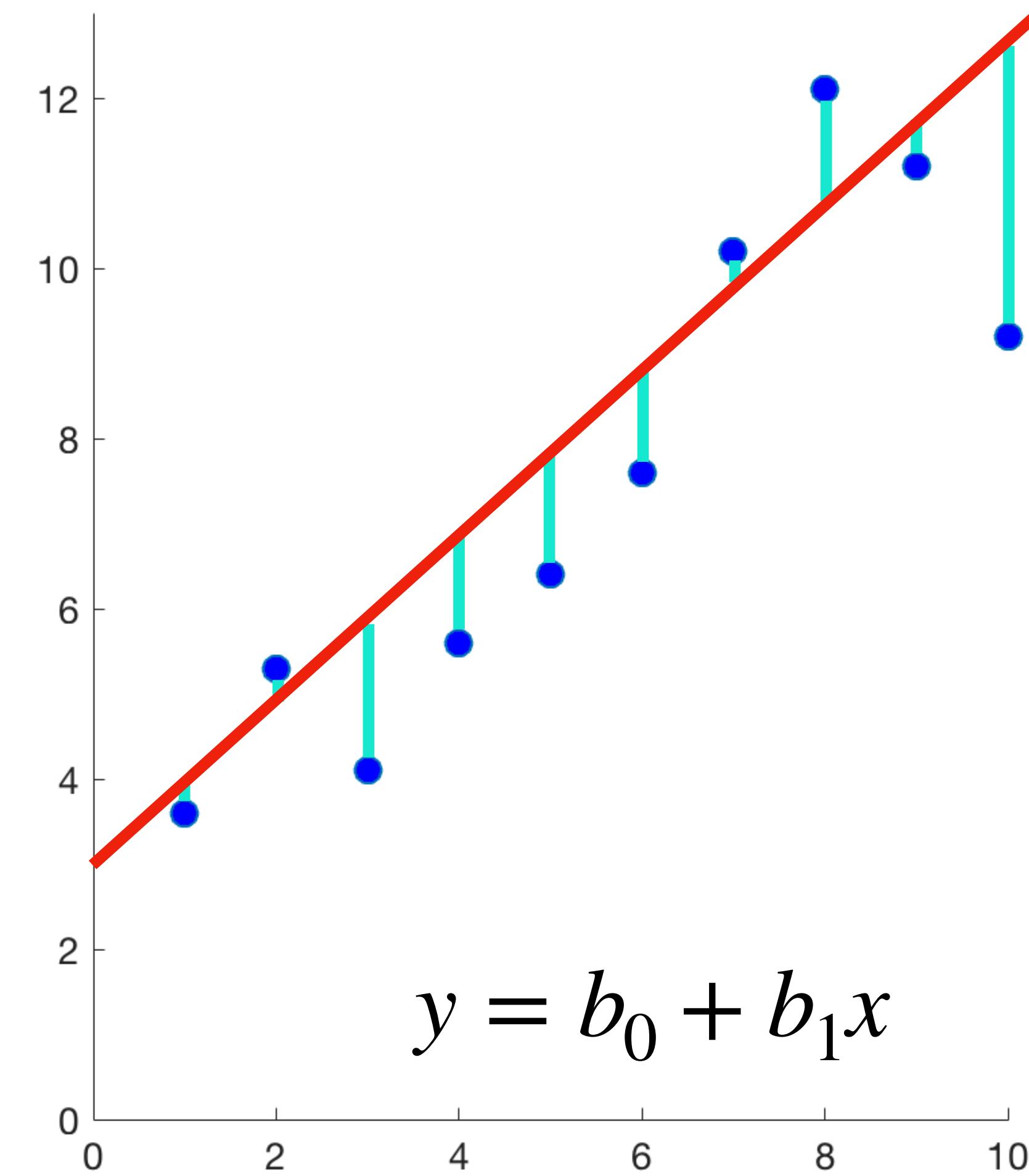
slope, correlation  
coefficient

Predictors,  
Features



# Linear regression

- Fit model with Least Squares Estimation
- Minimizes difference between observed data and the best-fit line



# Linear regression

- Significant of overall model: many different ways
  - F-stat and p-value: does model have coefficients that are different from 0? (e.g. do the model predictors have any relationship to outcomes?)
  - $R^2$ : proportion of variance explained by model predictors
- Significance of  $b_0$  and  $b_1$ : many different ways
  - Approach today: get  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  for each subject, then use t-tests to test that coefficients are different from 0

# Linear regression in MATLAB

- `[b, ci, r, rint, stats] = regress(Y, X)`

- $Y$  = outcomes or DV  
(implicit angle, aim angle)
  - $X$  = predictors or IV  
(rotation)

x =	y =
1 -16	3.6000
1 -8	5.3000
1 -4	4.1000
1 -2	5.6000
1 0	6.4000
1 2	7.6000
1 4	10.2000
1 8	12.1000
1 16	11.2000
	9.2000

# Linear regression in MATLAB

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```
b =  
2.6400  
0.8891
```

$b_0$   
 $b_1$

```
ci =  
0.3951 4.8849 95% CI for b0  
0.5273 1.2509 95% CI for b1
```

```
resid =  
0.0709  
0.8818  
-1.2073  
-0.5964  
-0.6855  
-0.3745  
1.3364  
2.3473  
0.5582  
-2.3309
```

difference  
between observed  
y and model y

```
stats =  
0.8006 32.1133 0.0005 2.0308
```

$R^2$  (var exp) F-stat p-value err var

# Multiple regression

$$y = b_0 + b_1x + b_2x + b_1b_2x$$

# HW #4

- Replicate subset of findings from my preprint ([link](#))

**Teacher-student neural coupling during teaching and learning**

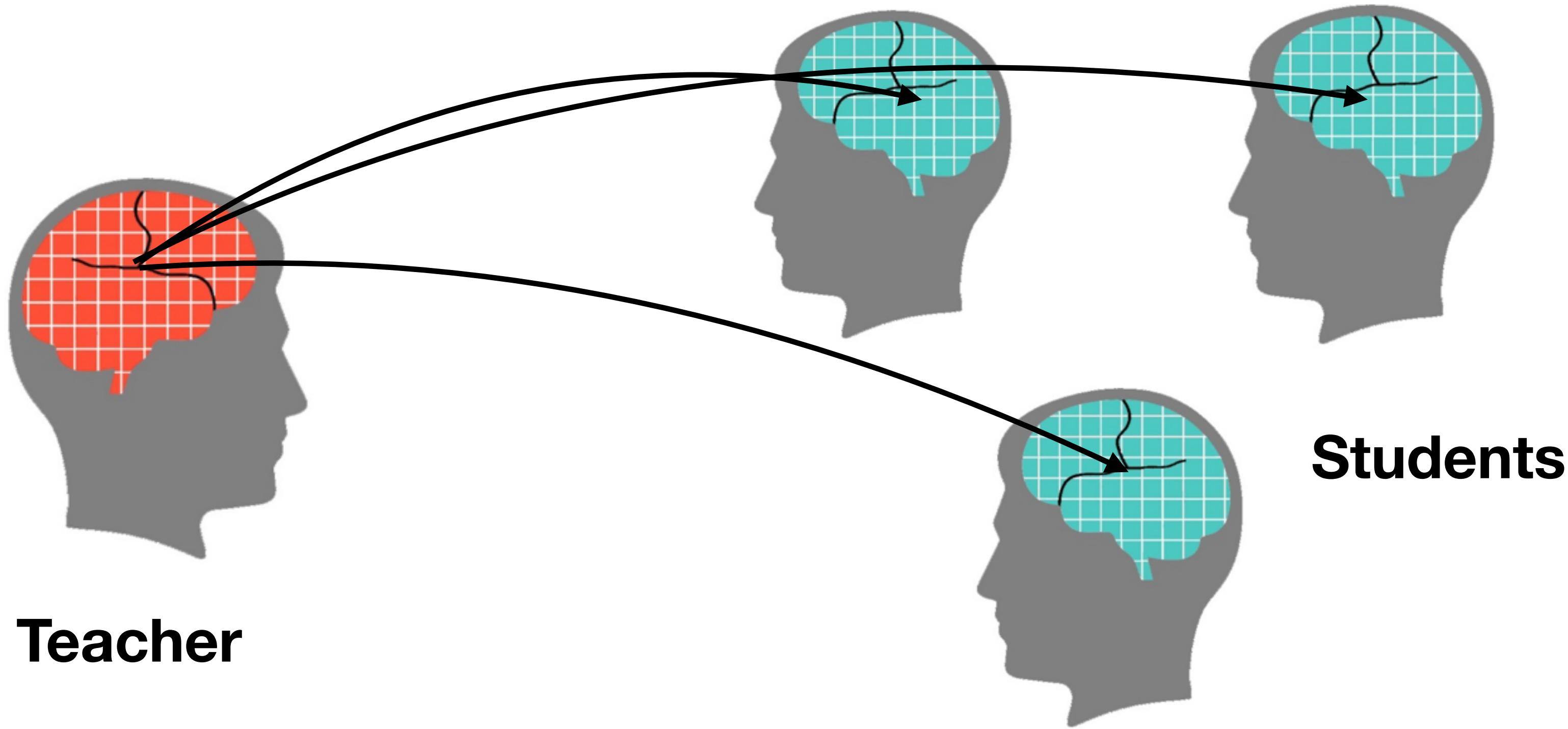
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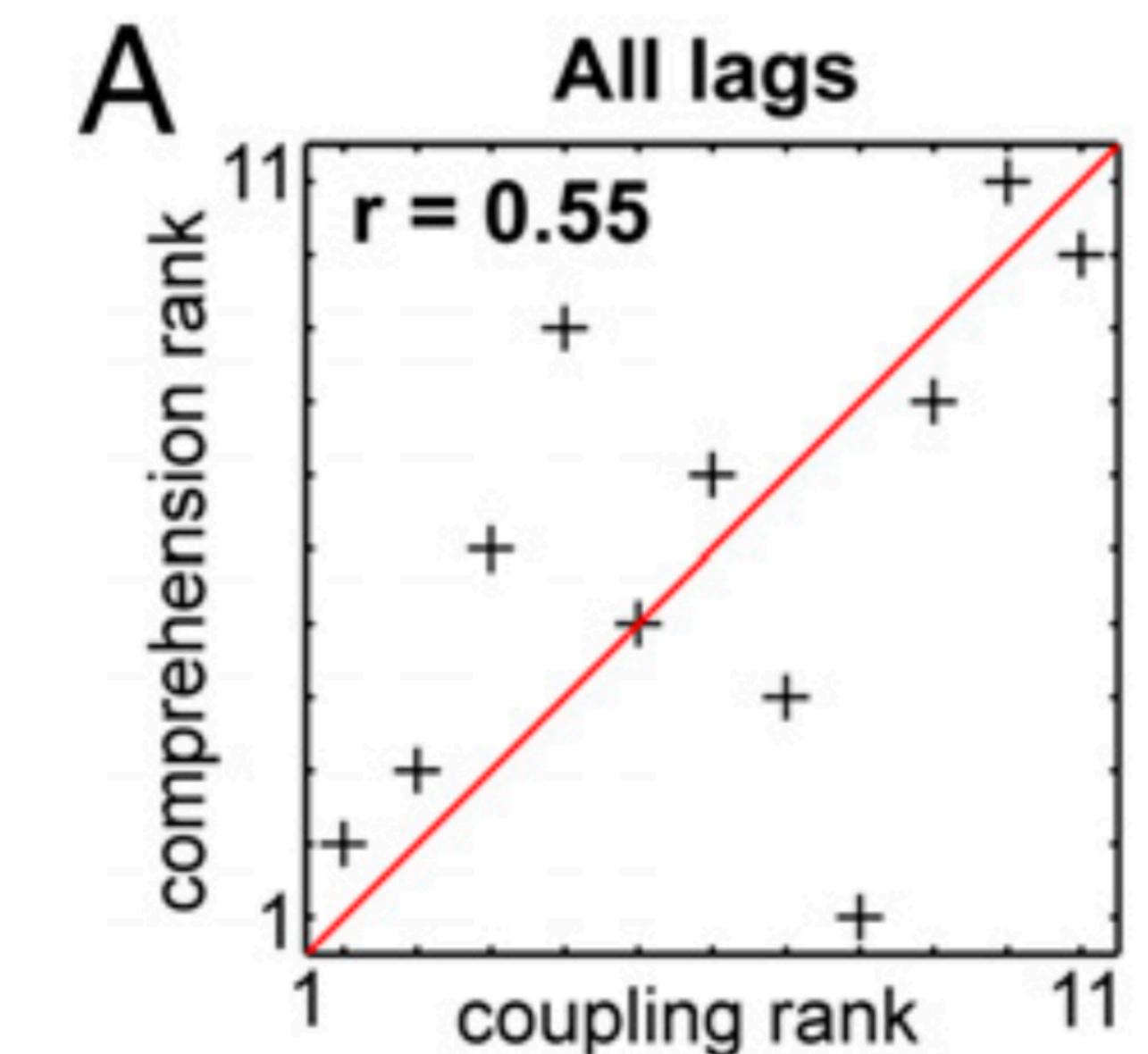
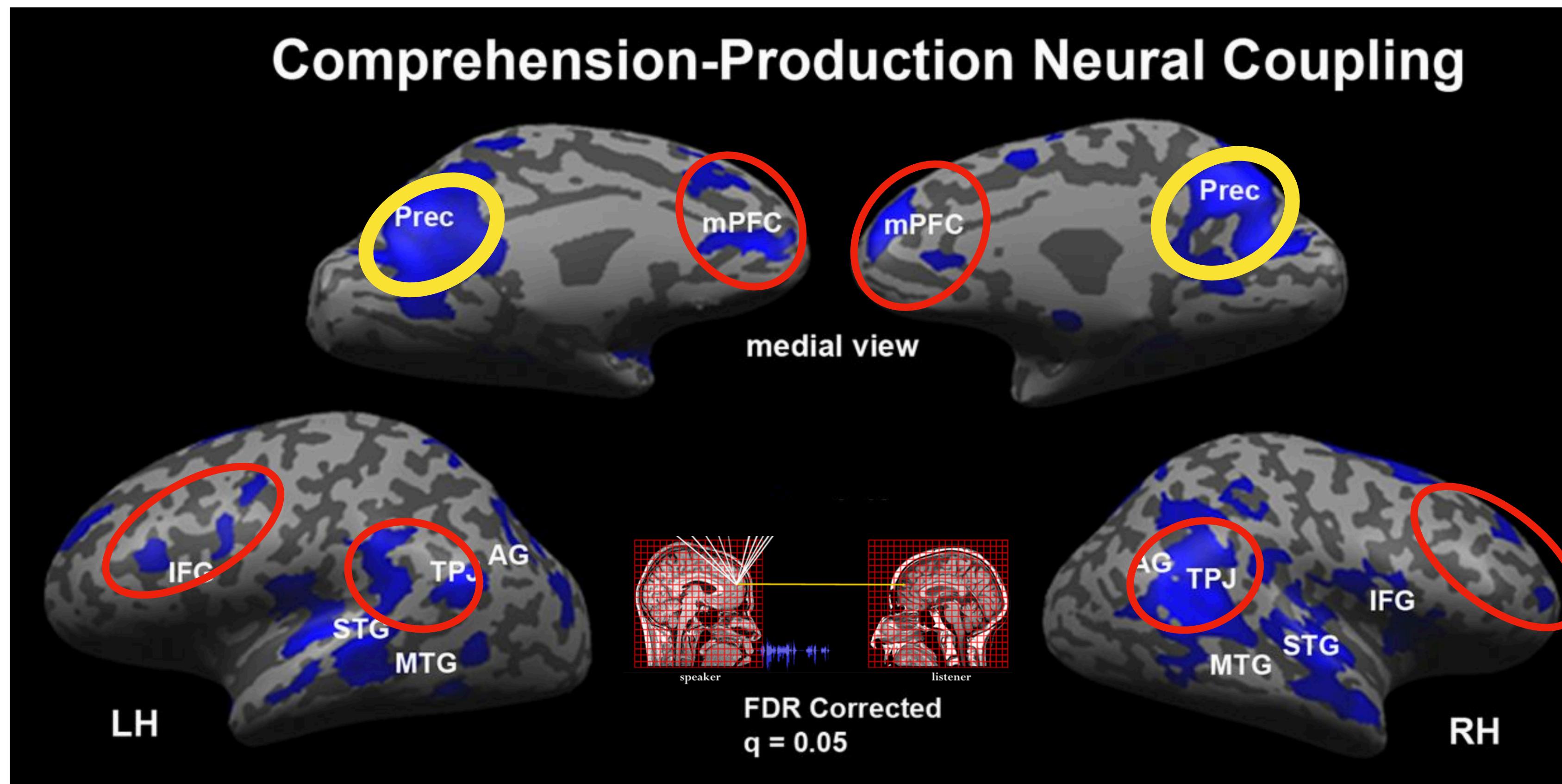
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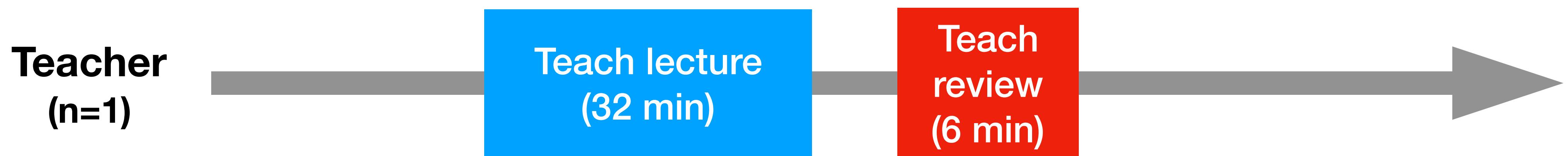


How are individual differences in learning  
reflected in teacher-driven neural responses?

# Neural responses in DMN are coupled between speaker and listener during storytelling



# Design: Scan teacher in fMRI



**MR safe microphone**



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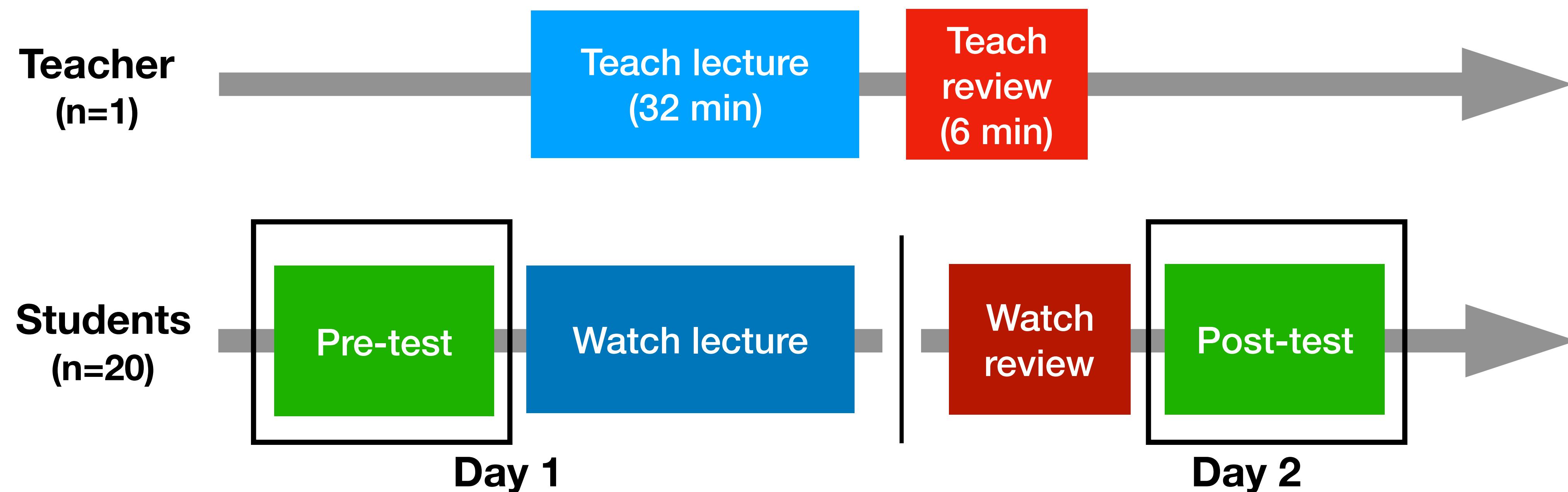
# Teach fMRI in fMRI

## The plan

- fMRI basics
- fMRI scanner
- fMRI physics
- From neurons to fMRI

**Introduction to fMRI, ~32 min**

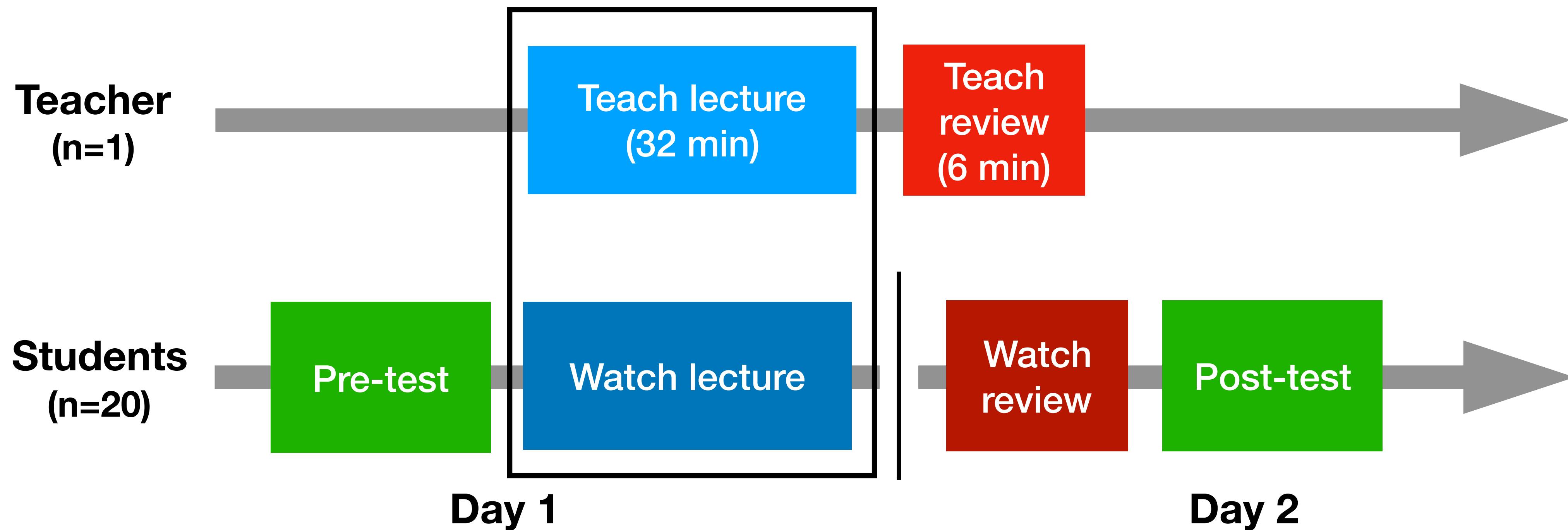
# Design: scan students in fMRI



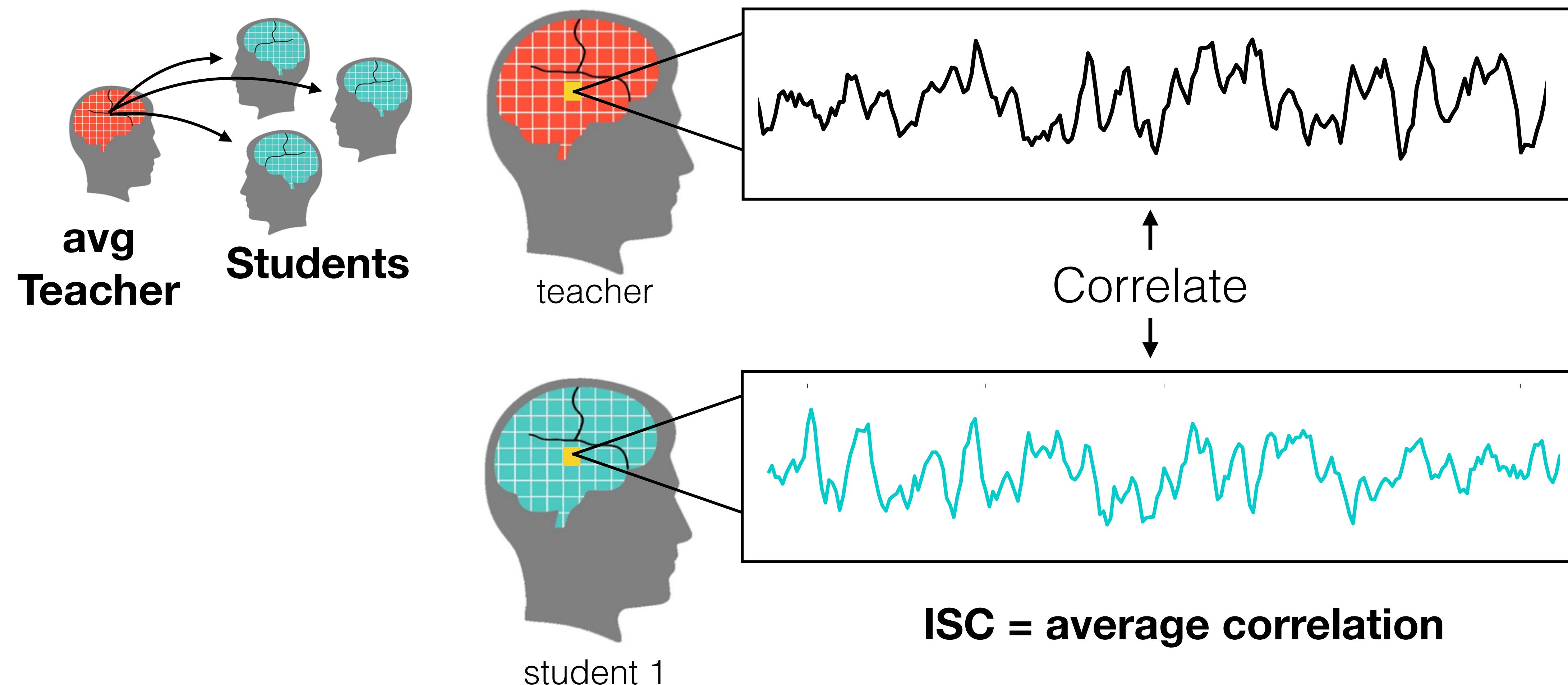
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- Compare pre- and post-test scores using the appropriate statistical test
- Make an appropriate visualization
- Describe your results

# HW #4, Part 2



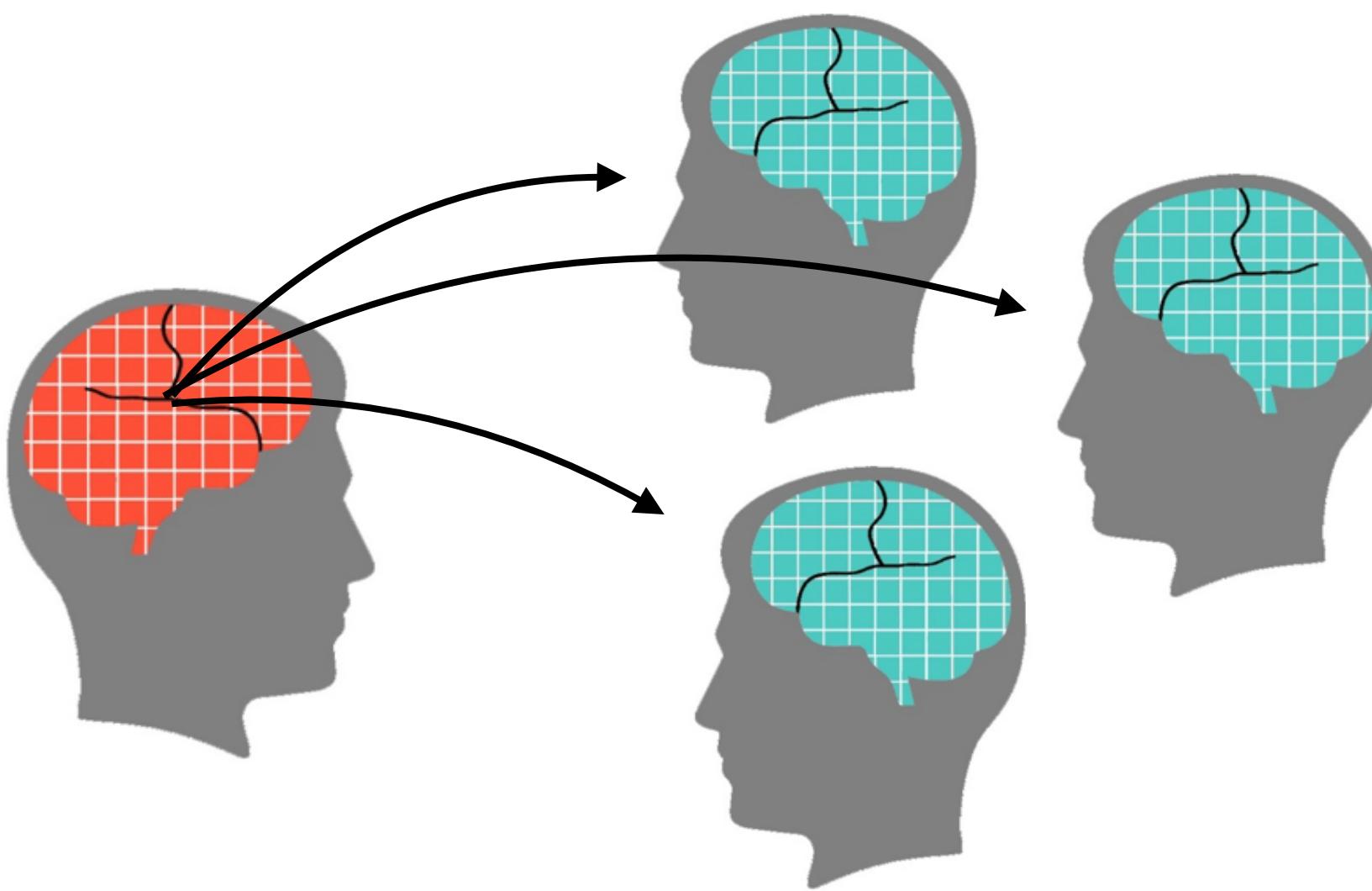
# HW #4, Part 2: Measure shared neural response between teacher and students using ISC



# HW #4, Part 2

- Calculate shared neural response between the teacher and student using ISC
- Visualize ISC by plotting the average student time course and the teacher time course on the same figure. Include appropriate legend, labels, and display the ISC value.

# HW #4, Part 3



$$\text{Post-test score} - \text{Pre-test score}$$

**Difference learning score**

**Teacher - Student ISC**

# HW #4, Part 3

- Calculate the correlation between Student-Teacher ISC and improvement in quiz score (posttest - pretest)
- Visualize the results with a figure. Be sure to include appropriate labels, titles, etc and include the correlation calculated above
- Write up your results.

# HW #4: Bonus

- Repeat Part 3 using the shuffling analysis described in the paper
- Essentially:
  - Randomly shuffle the test scores so that they are out of order (e.g. instead of test scores for [sub1 sub2 sub3 sub4], randomly reorder to something like [sub3 sub1 sub4 sub2])
  - Calculate the correlation between the shuffled test scores and the original ISC scores. Store this “null” correlation in a vector
  - Repeat above two steps 1000x
  - Compare the actual observed correlation to the distribution of null correlations. Calculate p-values by counting the number of null correlations are smaller than the observed correlation and subtracting from 1000.
  - Use this p-value to evaluate significance of the ISC-behavior correlation