

Tradeoffs and Limits in: Spatial Resolution, Temporal Resolution, Sensitivity, and Interpretability

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A Primary Challenge:

...to make progressively more precise inferences using fMRI without making too many assumptions about non-neuronal physiologic factors.

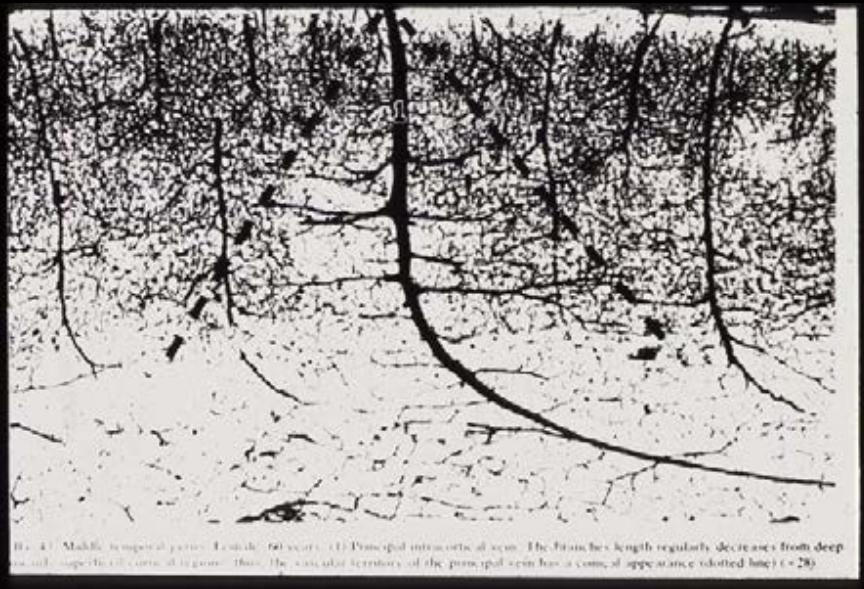
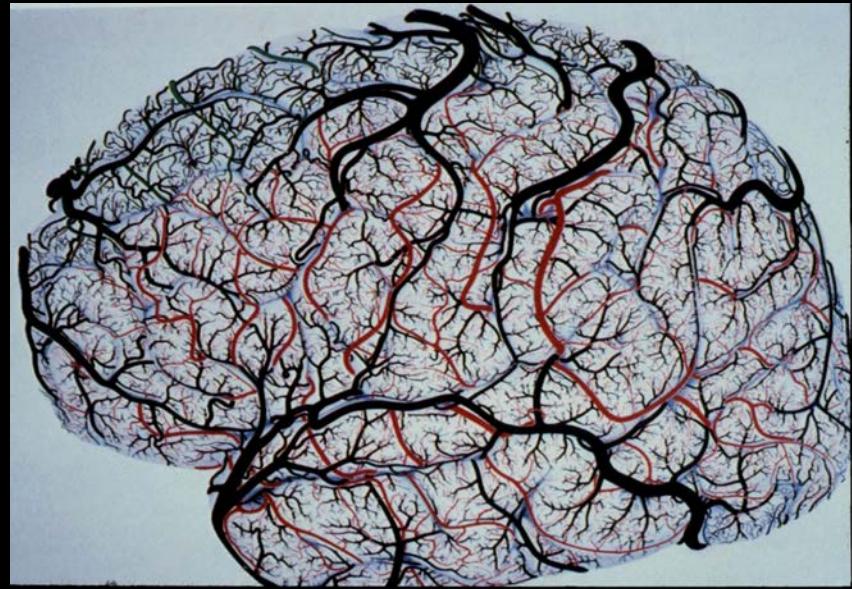
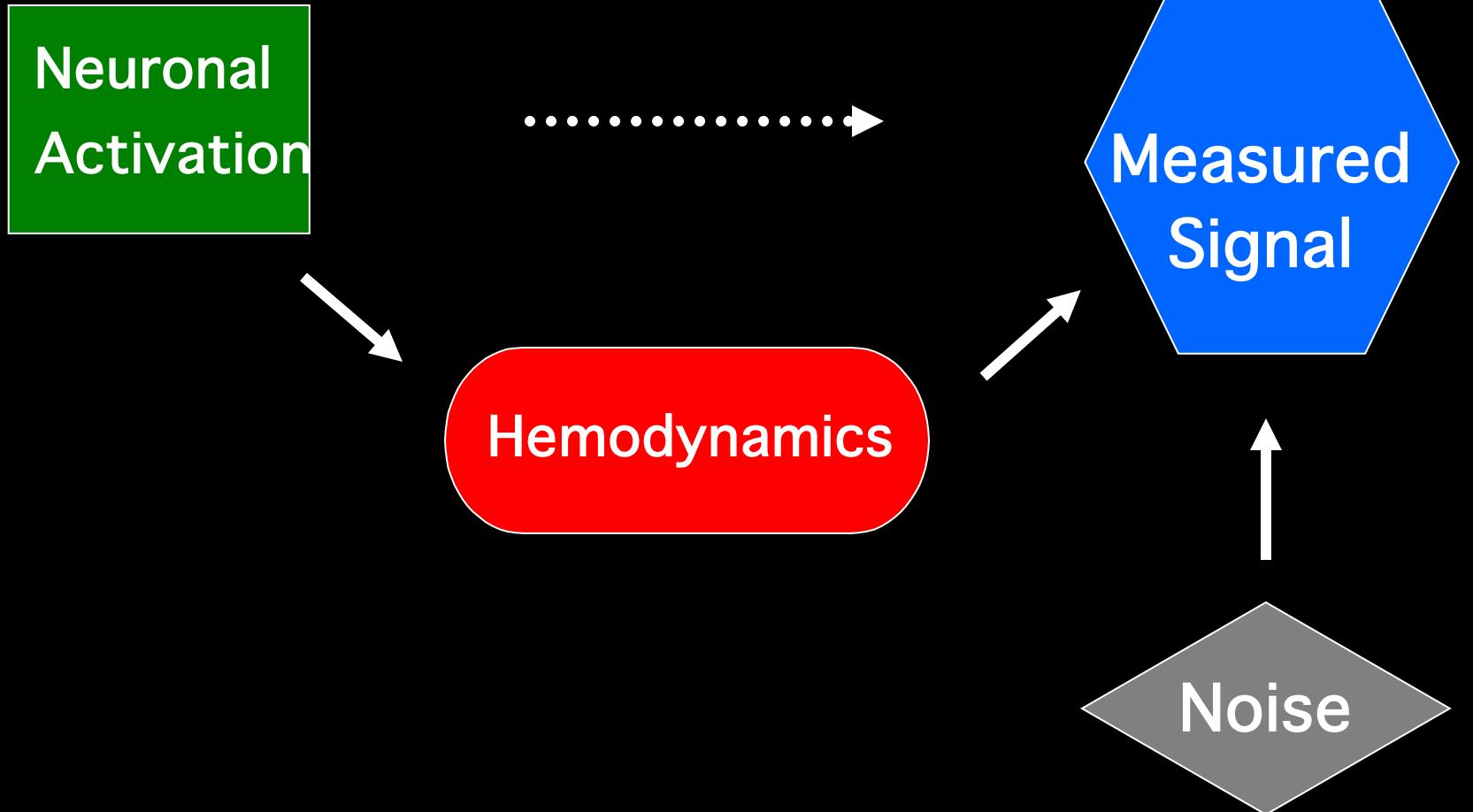


Fig. 4. Middle temporal gyrus. Female, 60 years. (1) Principal intracortical artery. The branches length regularly decreases from deep to superficial cortical layers; thus, the vascular territory of the principal artery has a cone of appearance (dotted line). $\times 28$.



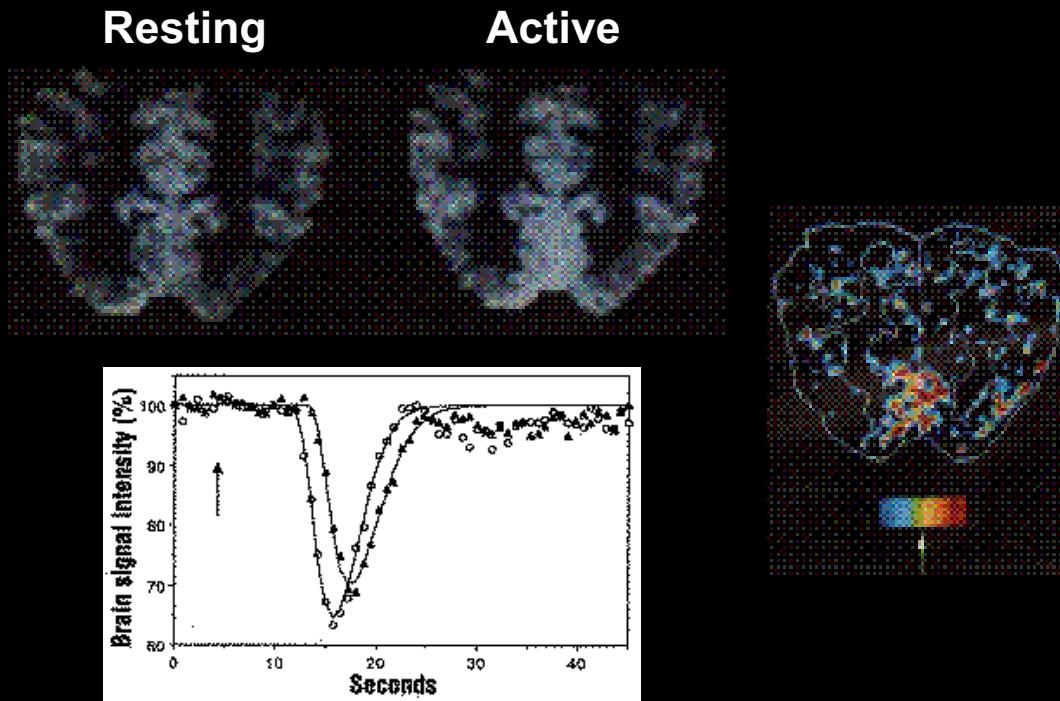


Contrast in Functional MRI

- **Blood Volume**
 - Contrast agent injection and time series collection of T2* or T2 - weighted images
- **BOLD**
 - Time series collection of T2* or T2 - weighted images
- **Perfusion**
 - T1 weighting
 - Arterial spin labeling
- **CMRO₂**
 - BOLD and Perfusion w/
Normalization to Global Perfusion Change

Blood Volume

Contrast agent injection and time series collection of T2* or T2 - weighted images



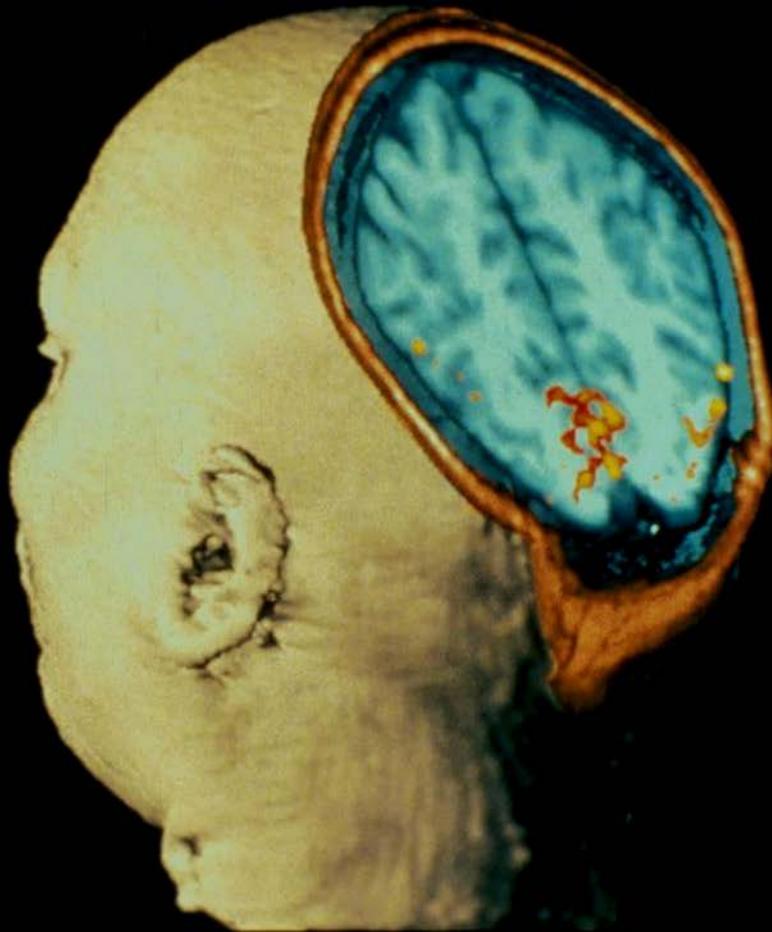
Blood Volume

**Photic
Stimulation**

**MRI Image showing
activation of the
Visual Cortex**

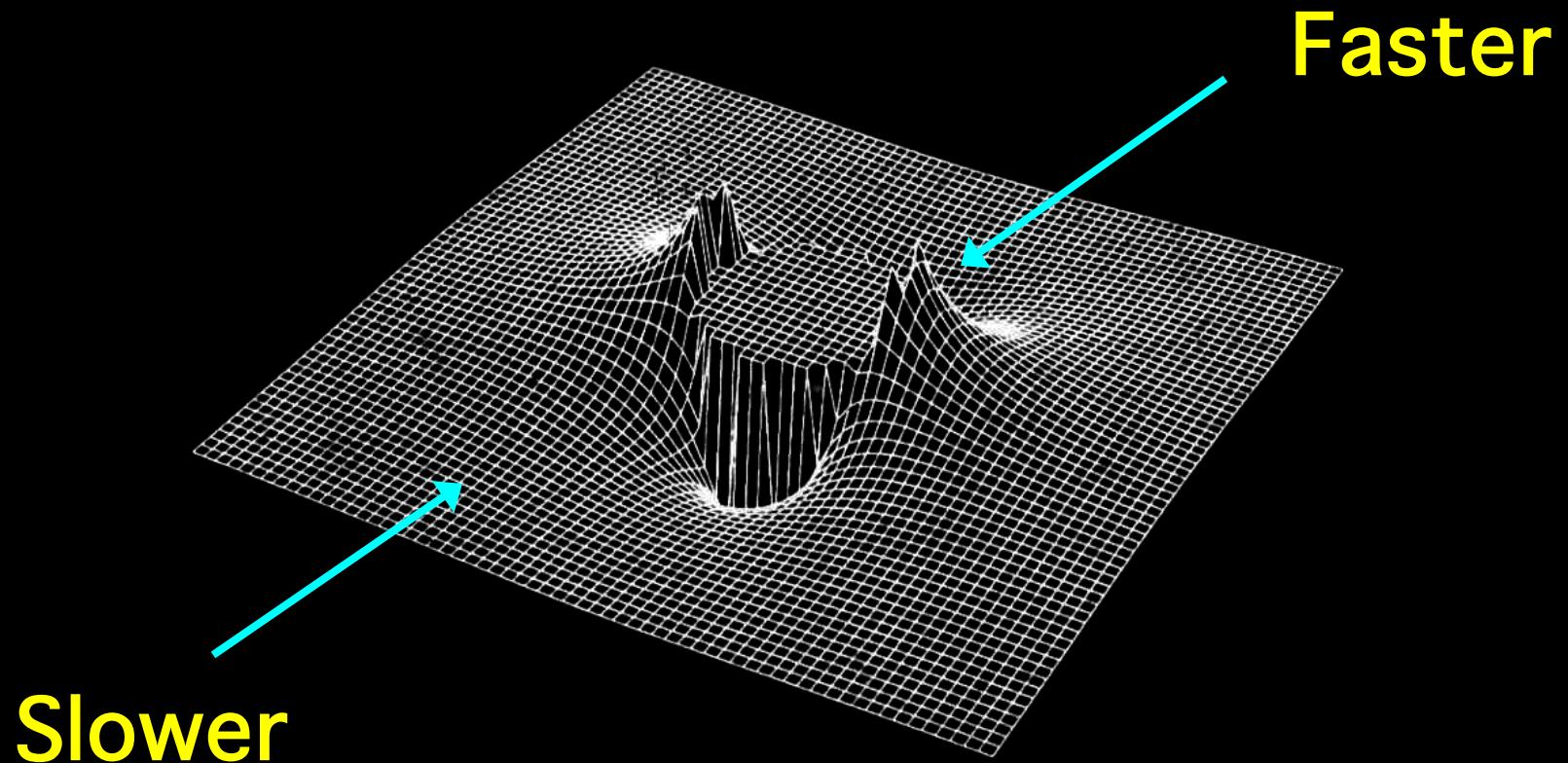
**From Belliveau, et al.
Science Nov 1991**

MSC - perfusion



Susceptibility Contrast

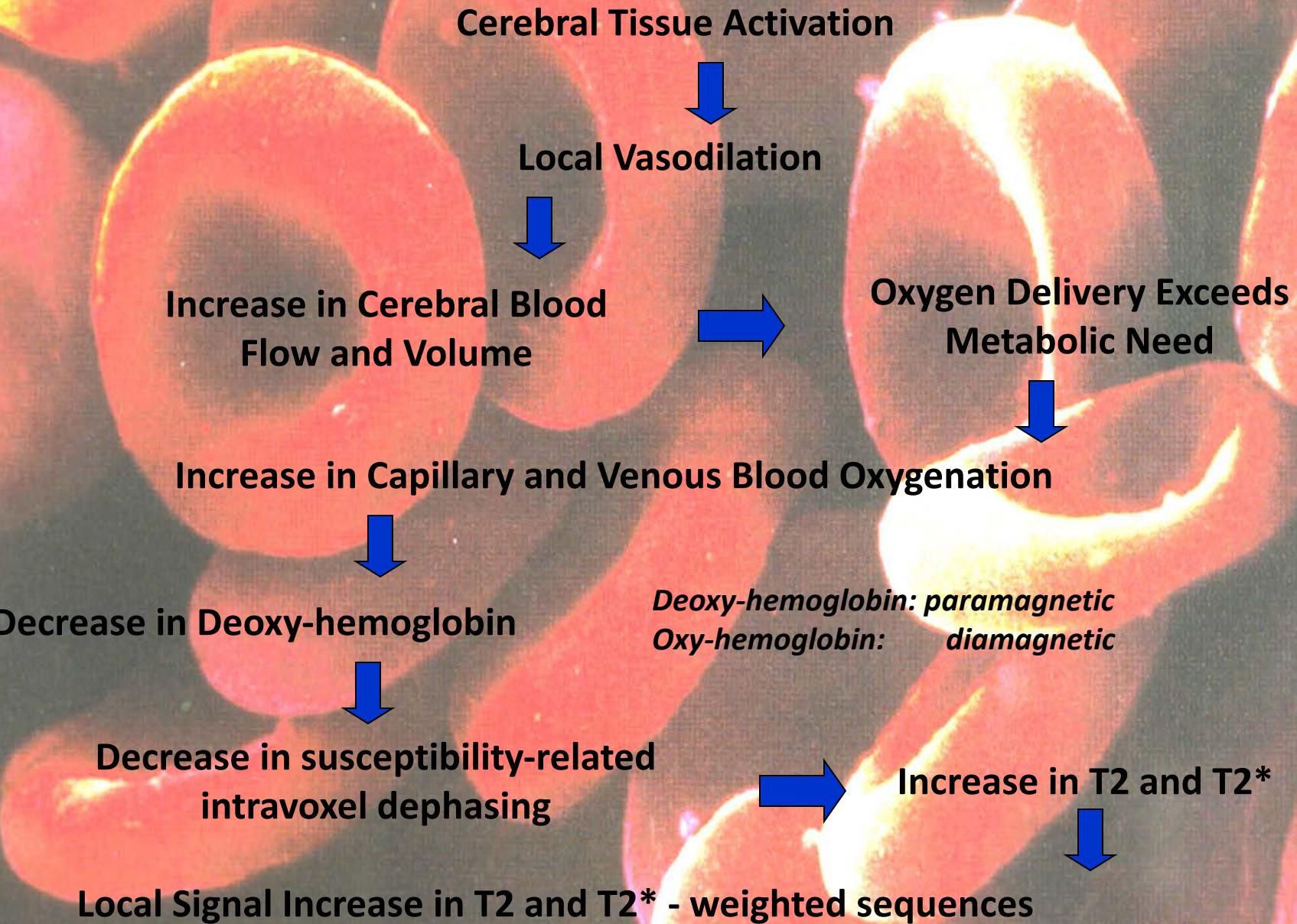
Susceptibility-Induced Field Distortion in the
Vicinity of a Microvessel \perp to B_0 .



Blood Oxygenation

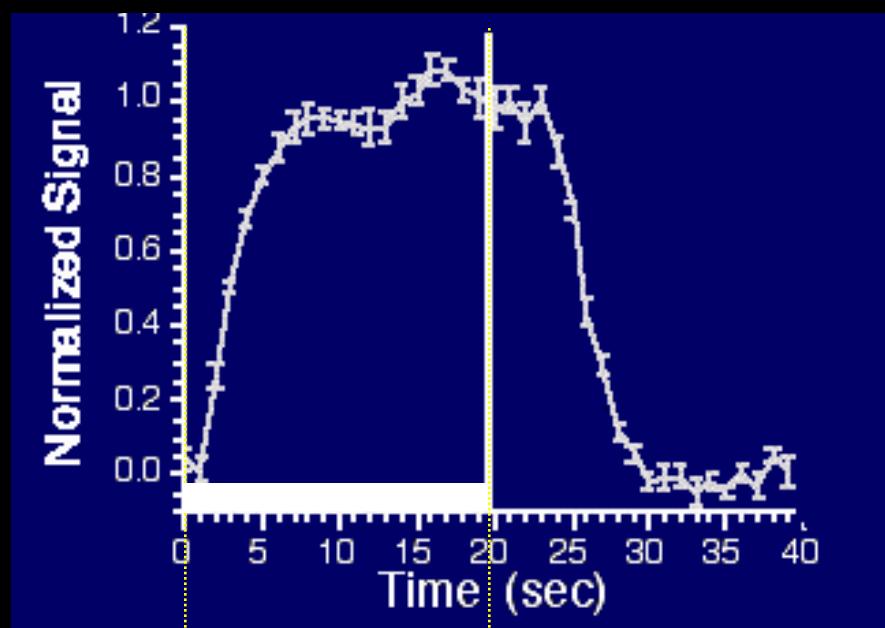


BOLD Contrast in the Detection of Neuronal Activity

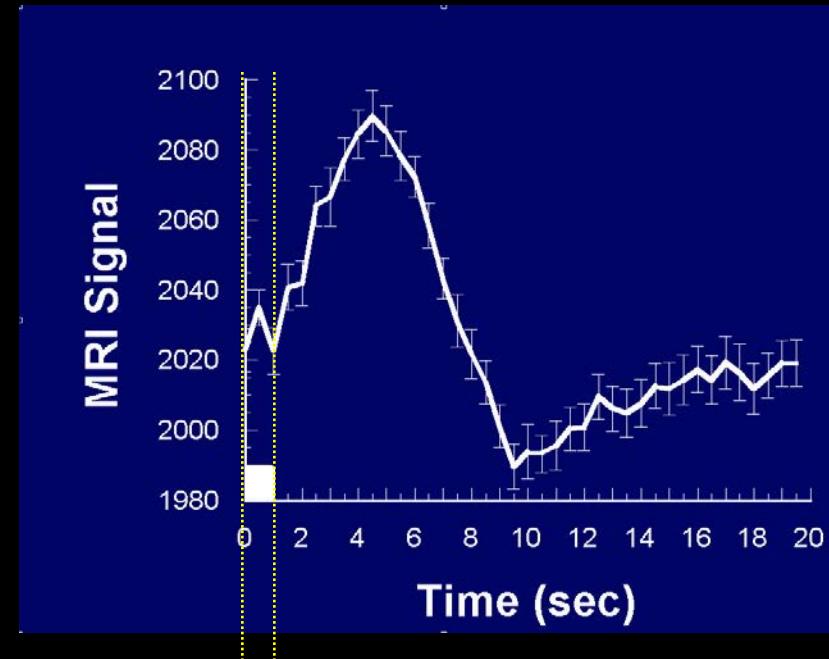


The BOLD Signal

Blood Oxxygenation Level Dependent (BOLD) signal changes



task

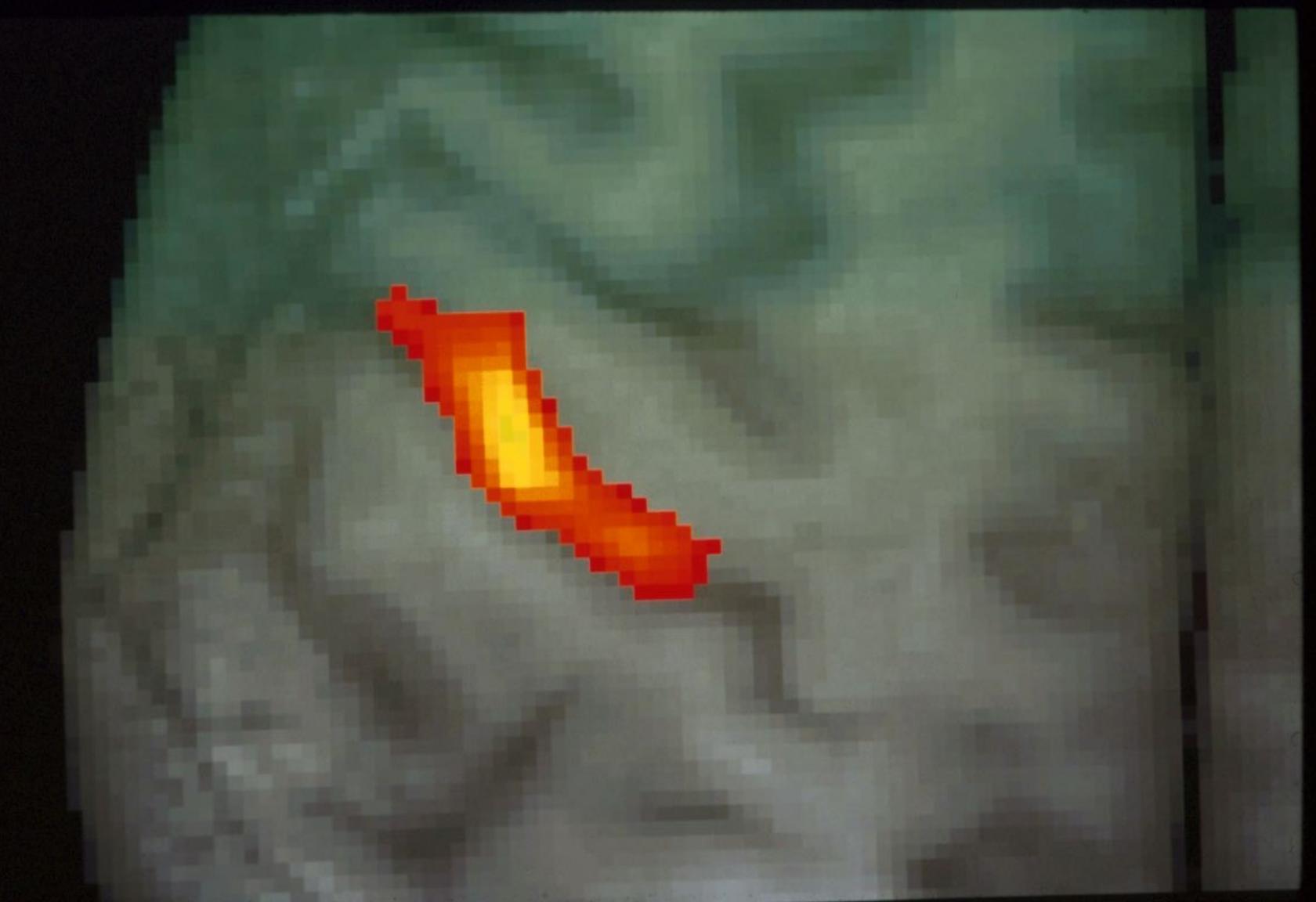


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Alternating Left and Right Finger Tapping

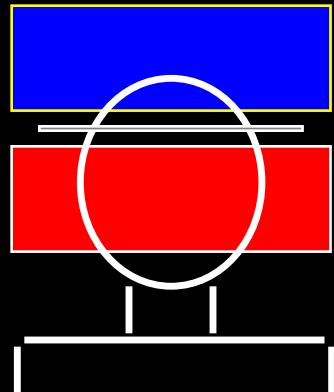


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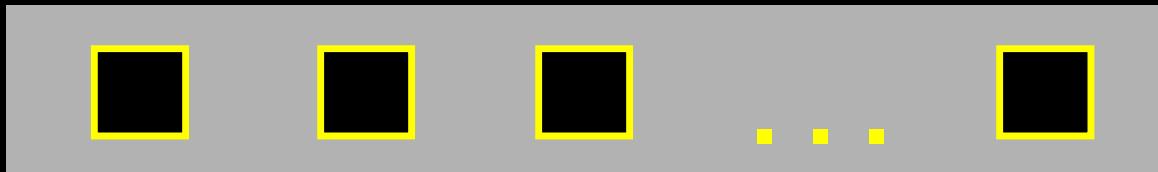
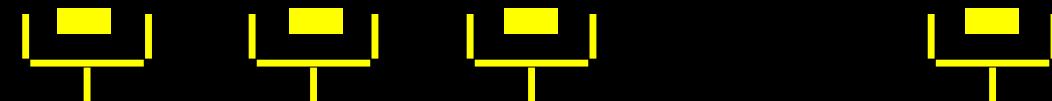
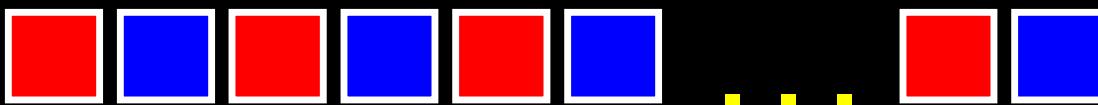
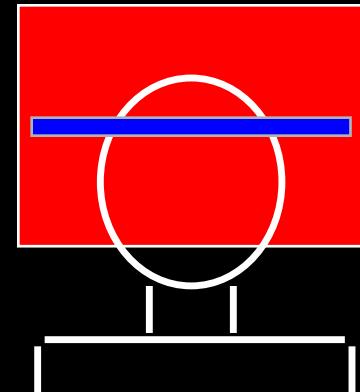


Blood Perfusion

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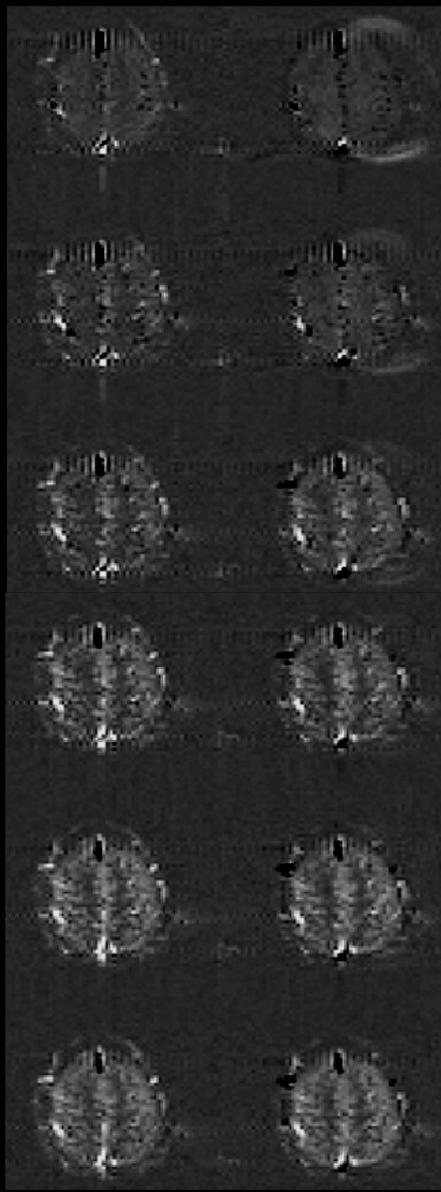


FAIR



TI (ms) FAIR EPISTAR

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400

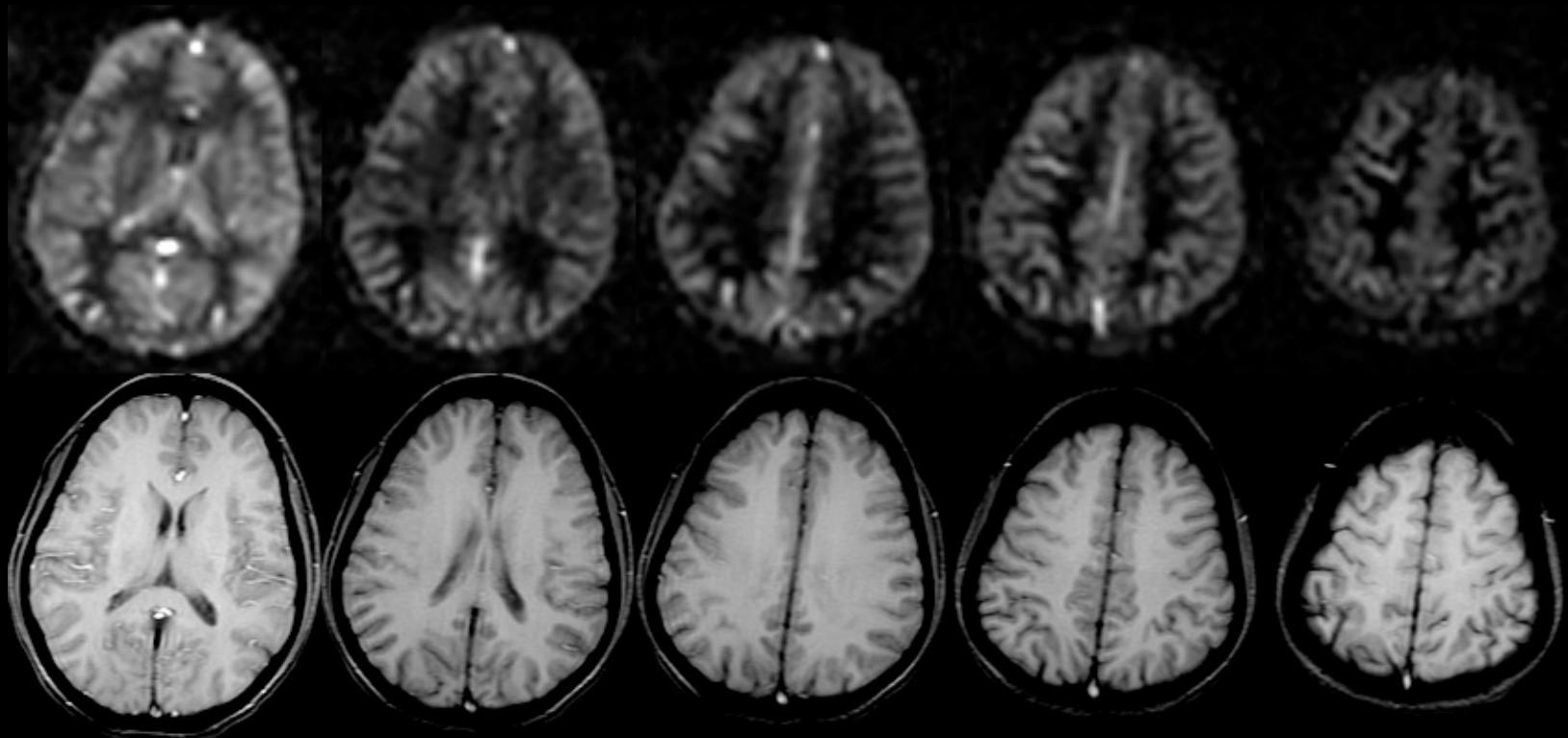
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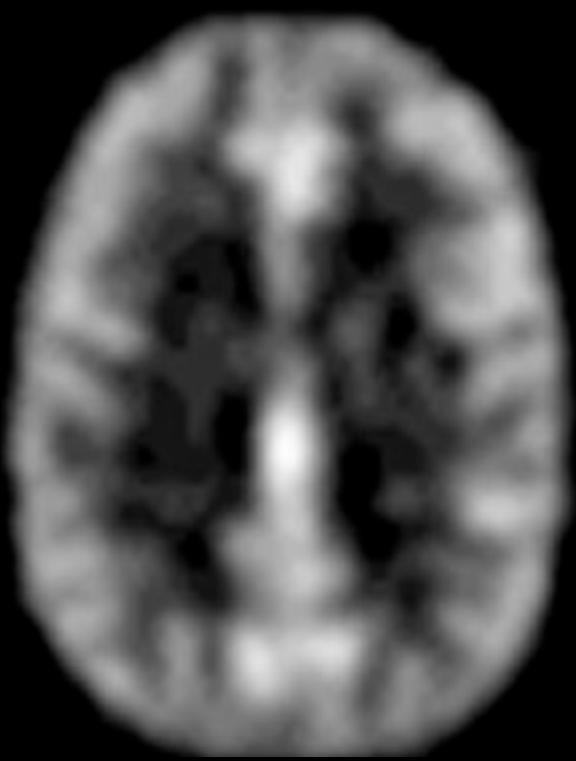
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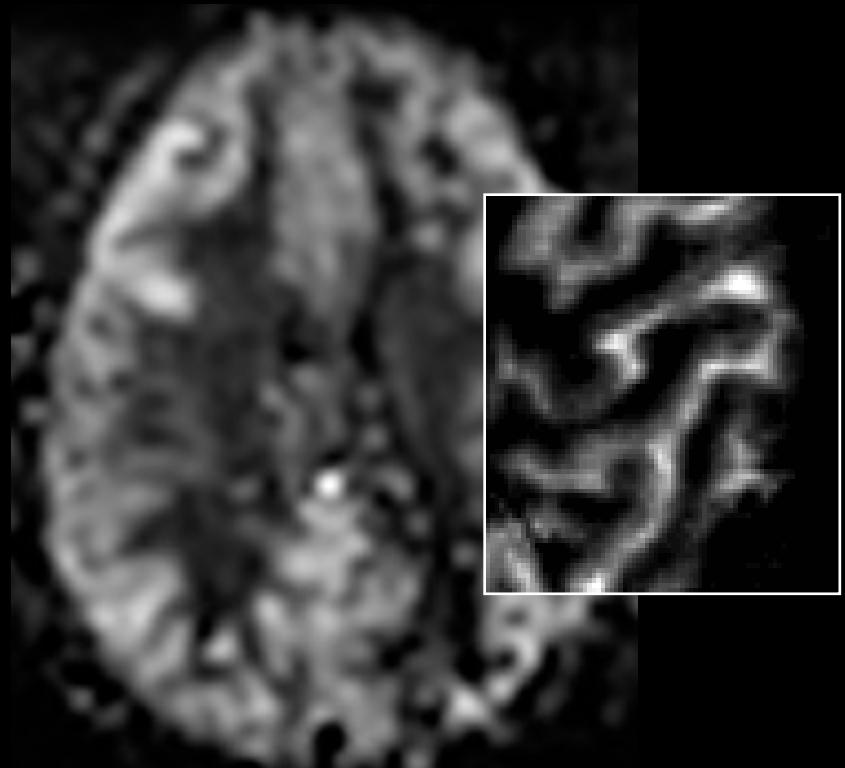
Resting ASL Signal



Comparison with Positron Emission Tomography



PET: H_2^{15}O



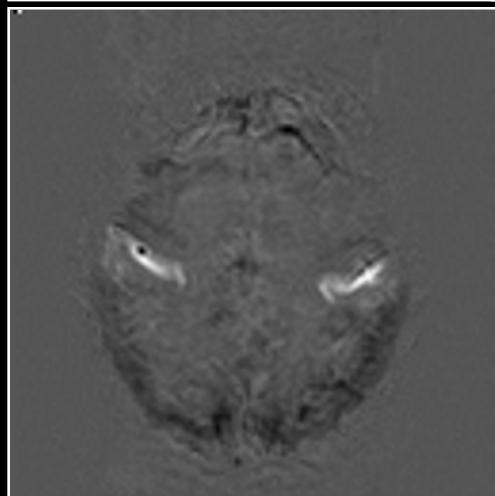
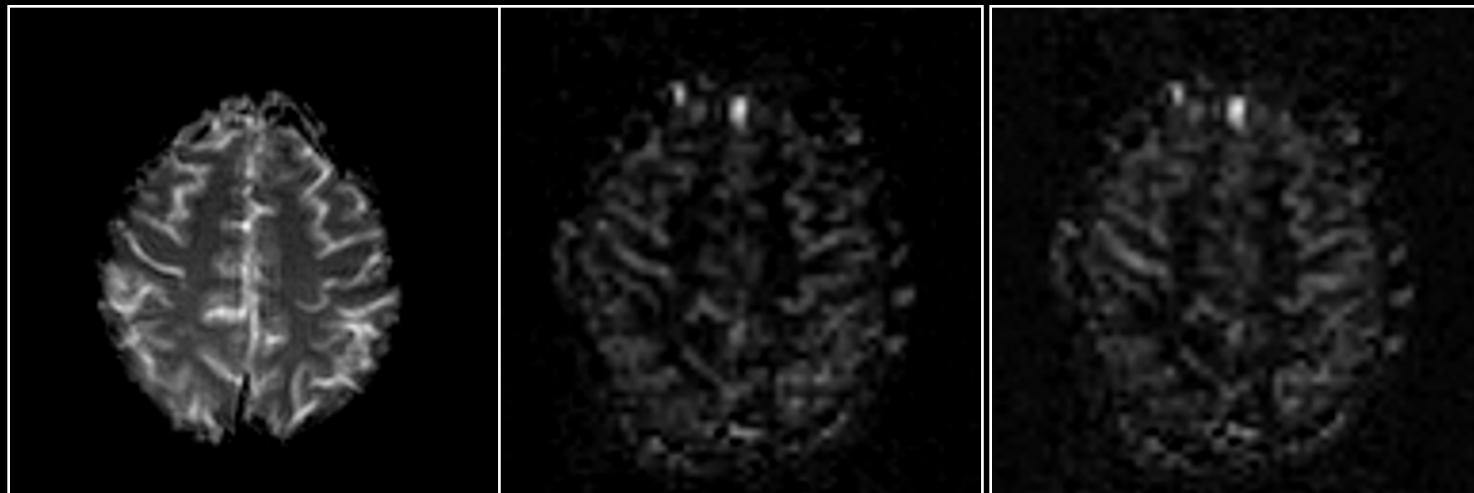
MRI: ASL

Perfusion

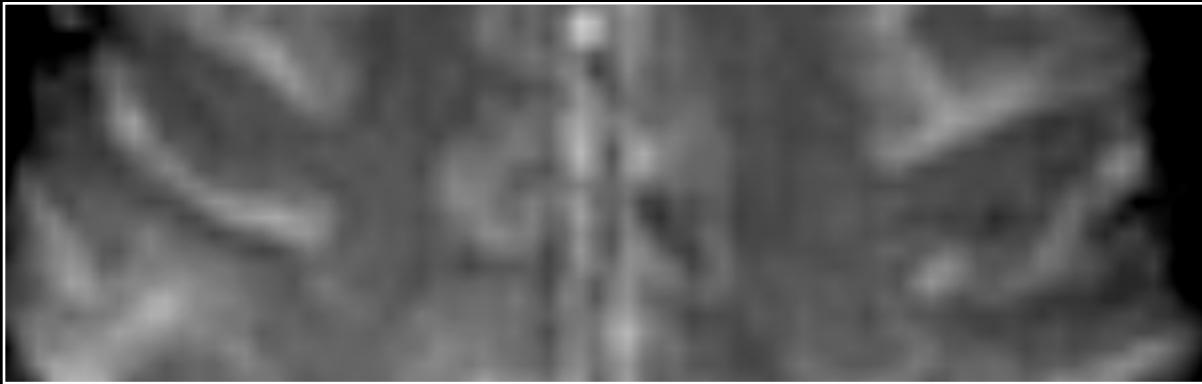
BOLD

Rest

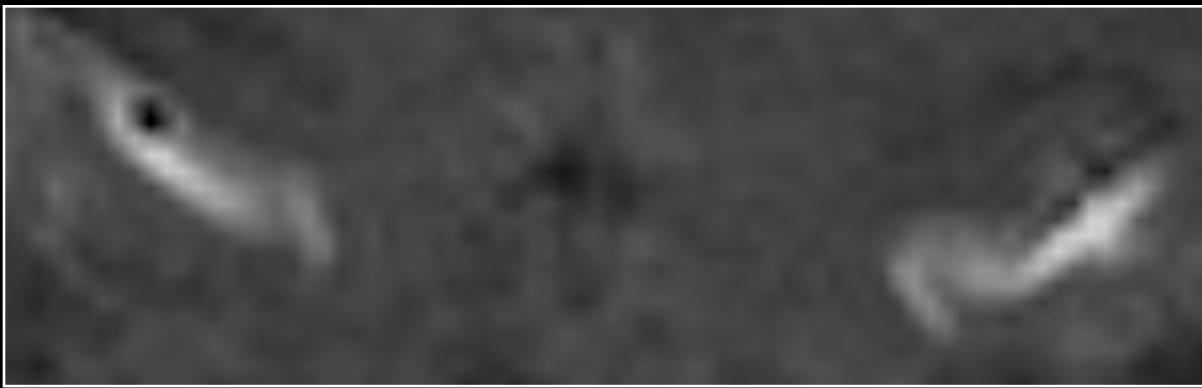
Activation



Anatomy



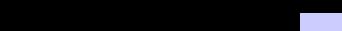
BOLD



Perfusion



Volume



- unique information
- baseline information
- multislice trivial

- invasive
- low C / N for func.

BOLD

- highest C / N
- easy to implement
- multislice trivial
- non invasive
- highest temp. res.

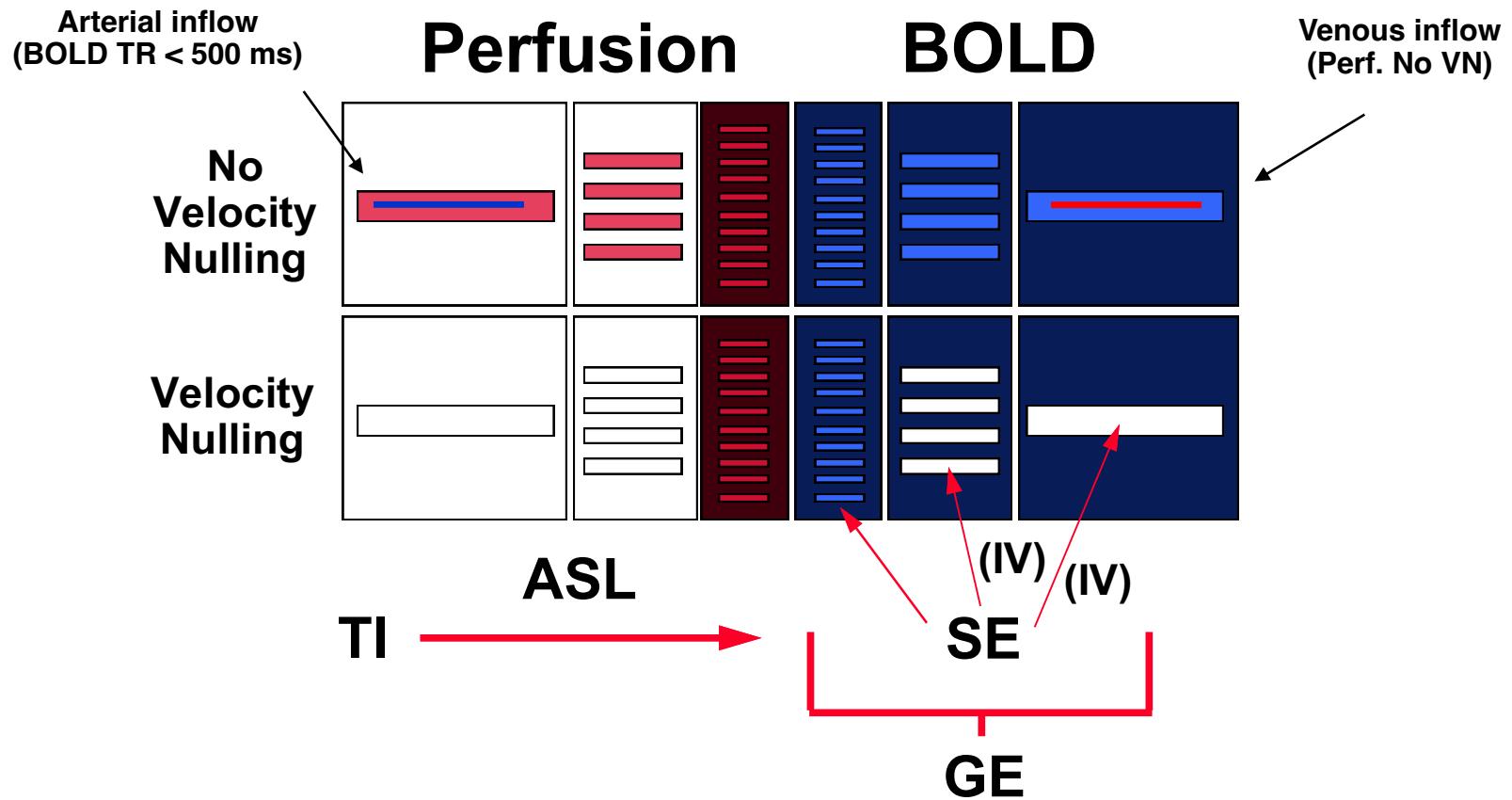
- complicated signal
- no baseline info.

Perfusion

- unique information
- control over ves. size
- baseline information
- non invasive

- multislice non trivial
- lower temp. res.
- low C / N

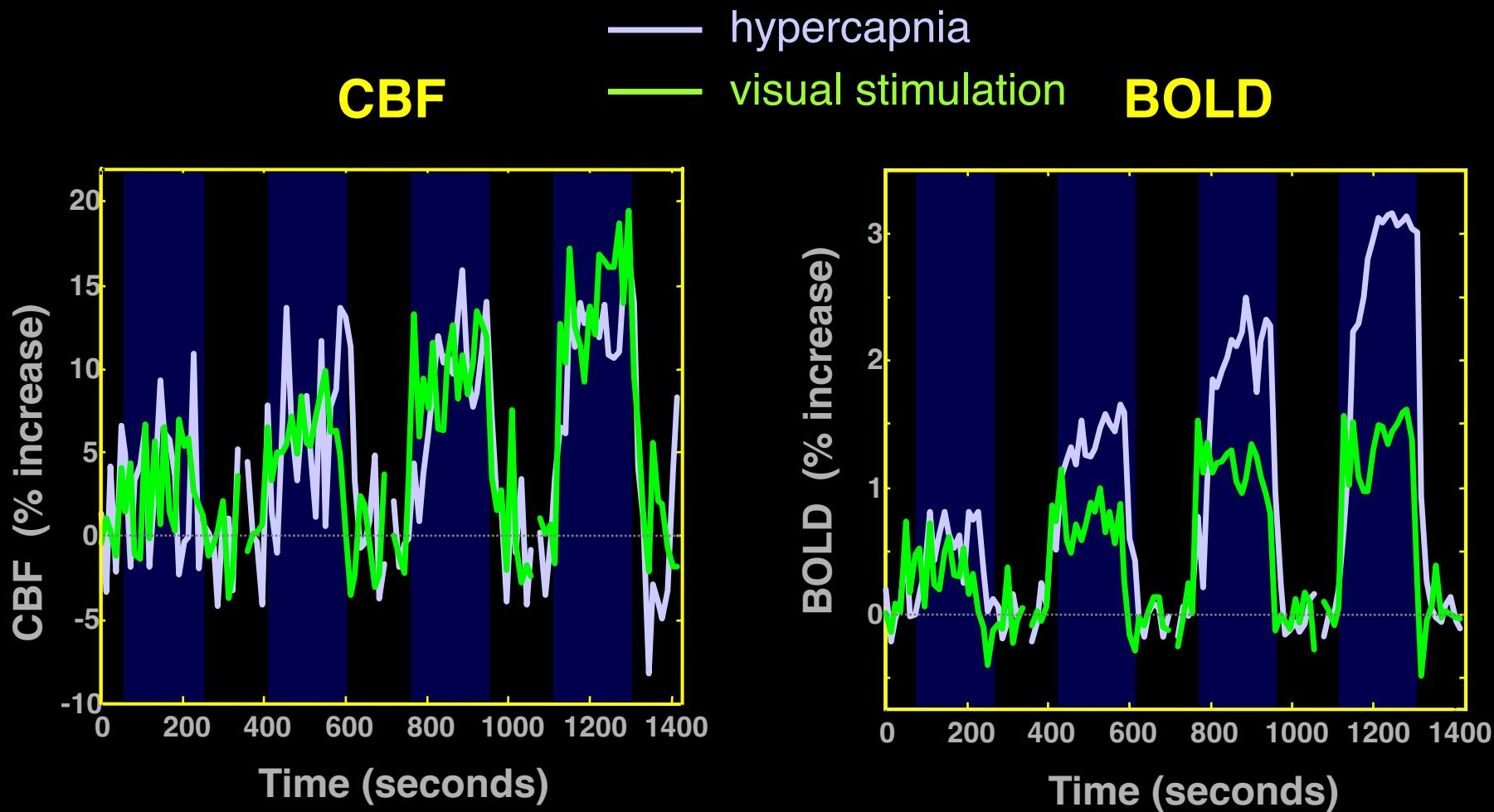
Hemodynamic Specificity



Mapping of CMRO₂

Activation:	Flow	↑↑
	CMRO ₂	↑
	Blood Oxygenation	↑
CO₂ stress:	Flow	↑↑
	CMRO ₂	→
	Blood Oxygenation	↑↑

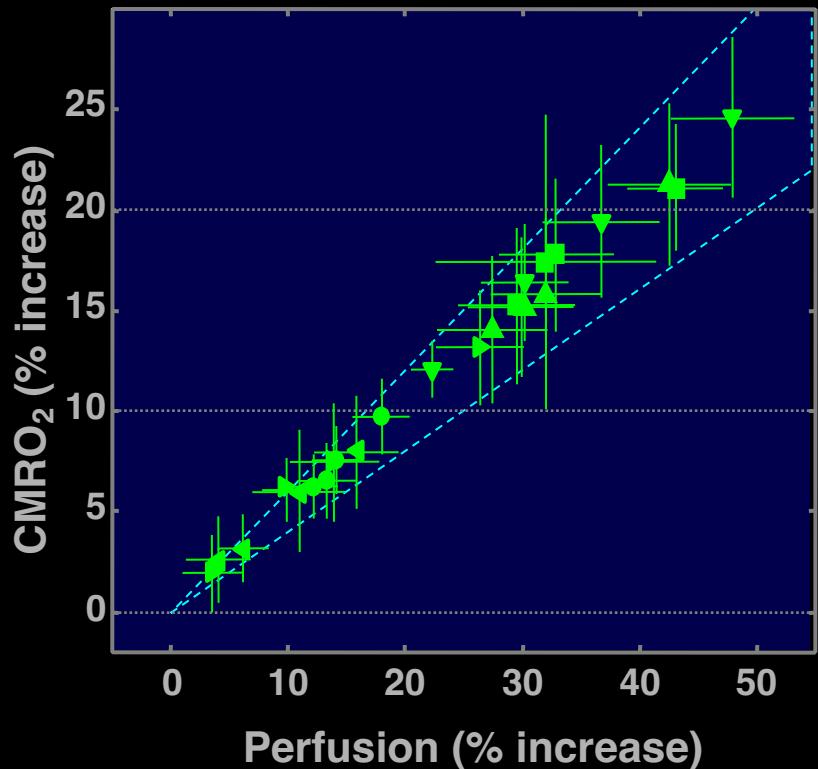
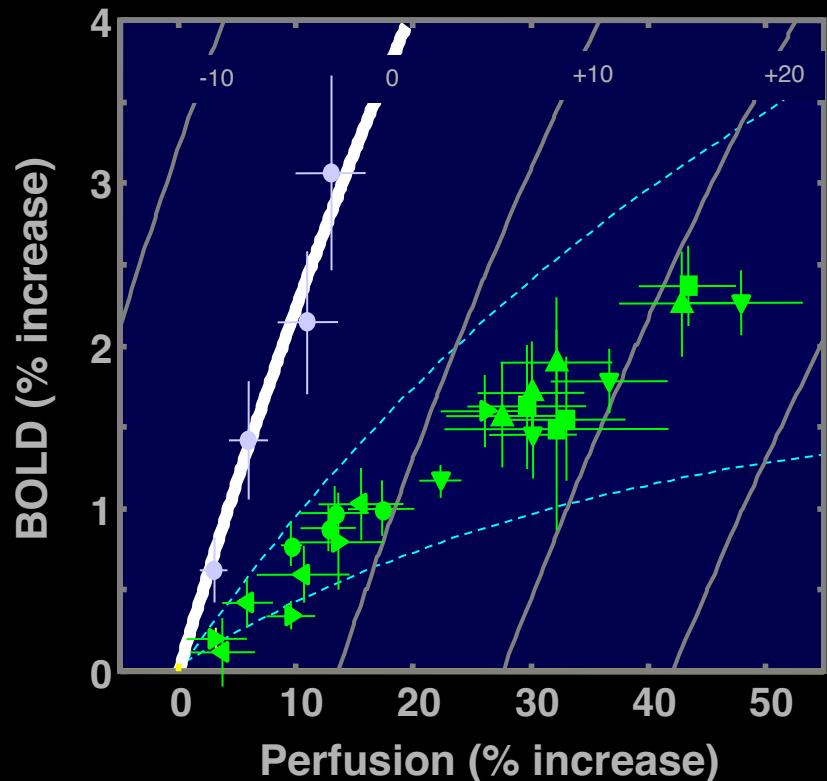
CMRO₂-related BOLD signal deficit:



Simultaneous Perfusion and BOLD imaging
during graded visual activation and hypercapnia

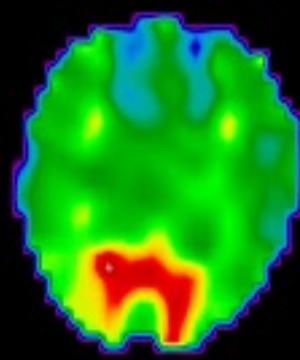
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CBF-CMRO₂ coupling

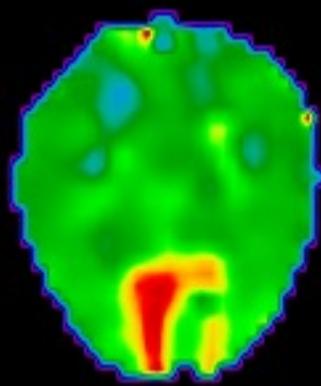


Characterizing Activation-induced CMRO₂ changes using calibration with hypercapnia

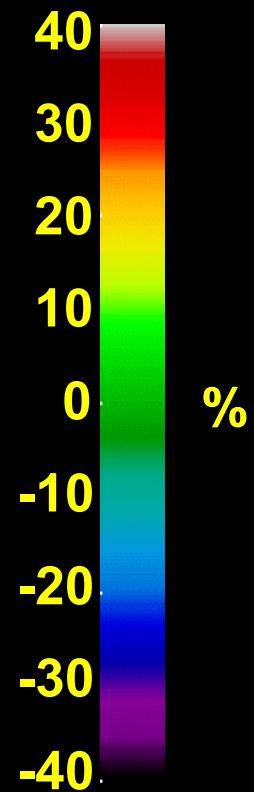
Computed CMRO₂ Changes



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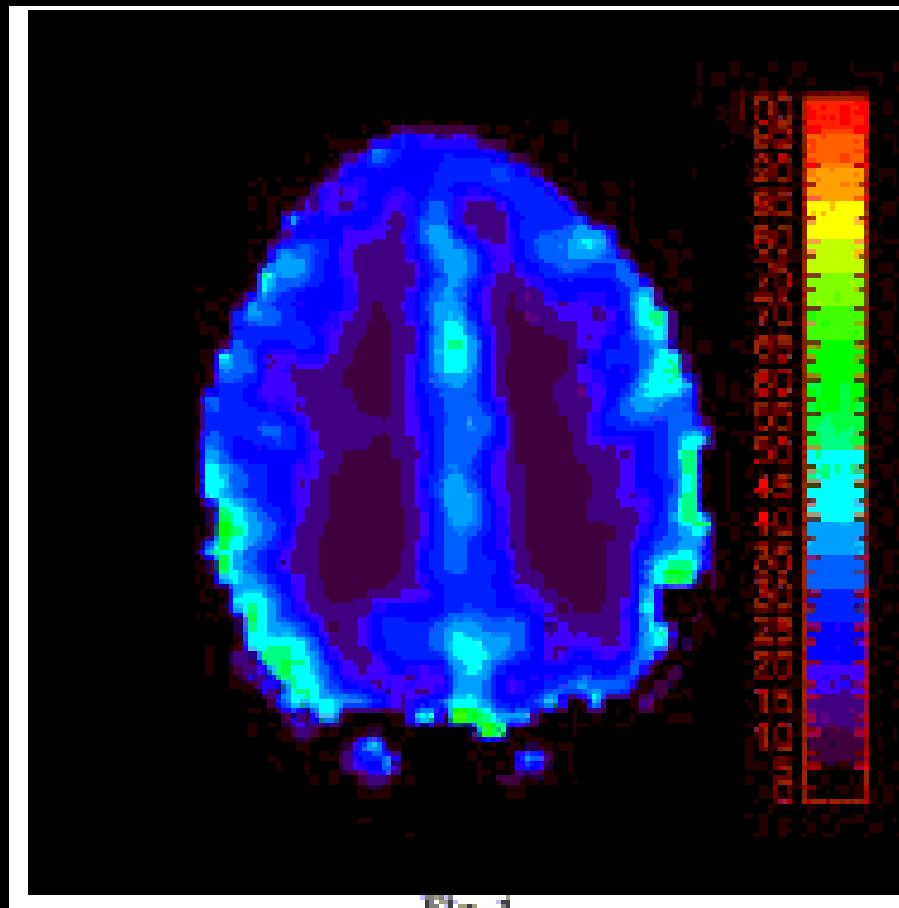
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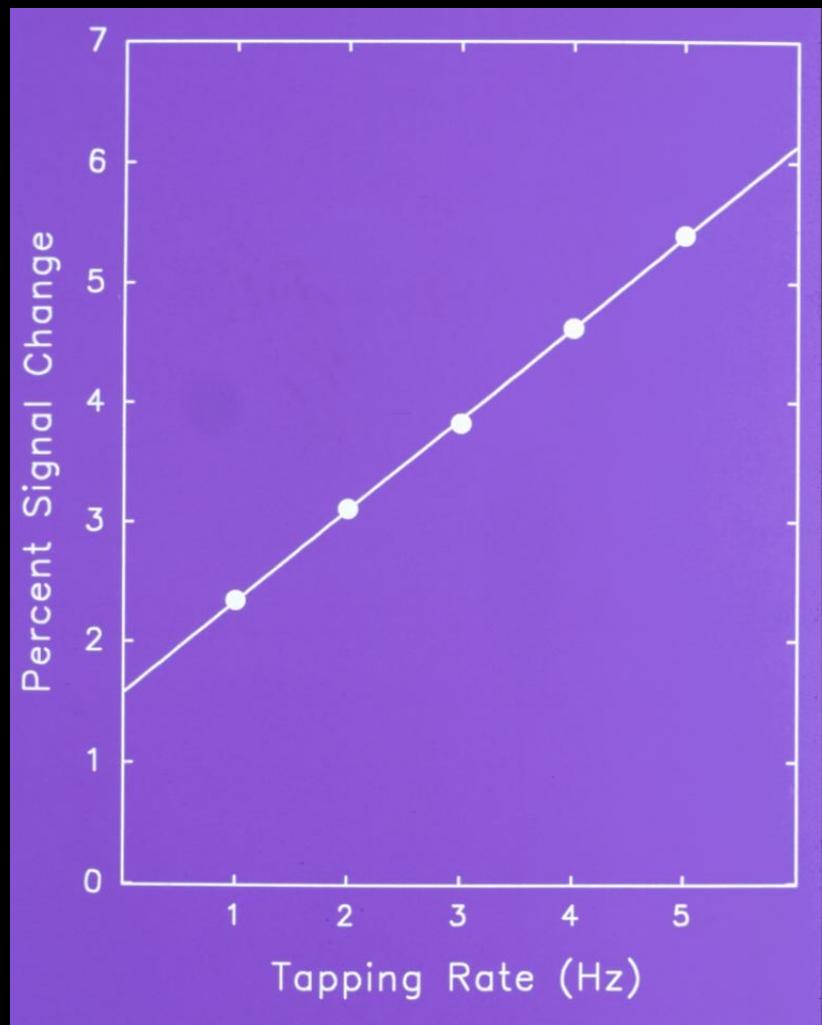
Quantitative Measurements of Cerebral Metabolic Rate of Oxygen (CMRO₂) Using MRI: A Volunteer Study

Honeyan AN¹, Weili LIN², Azim CELIK³, Yuesh Z. LEE⁴

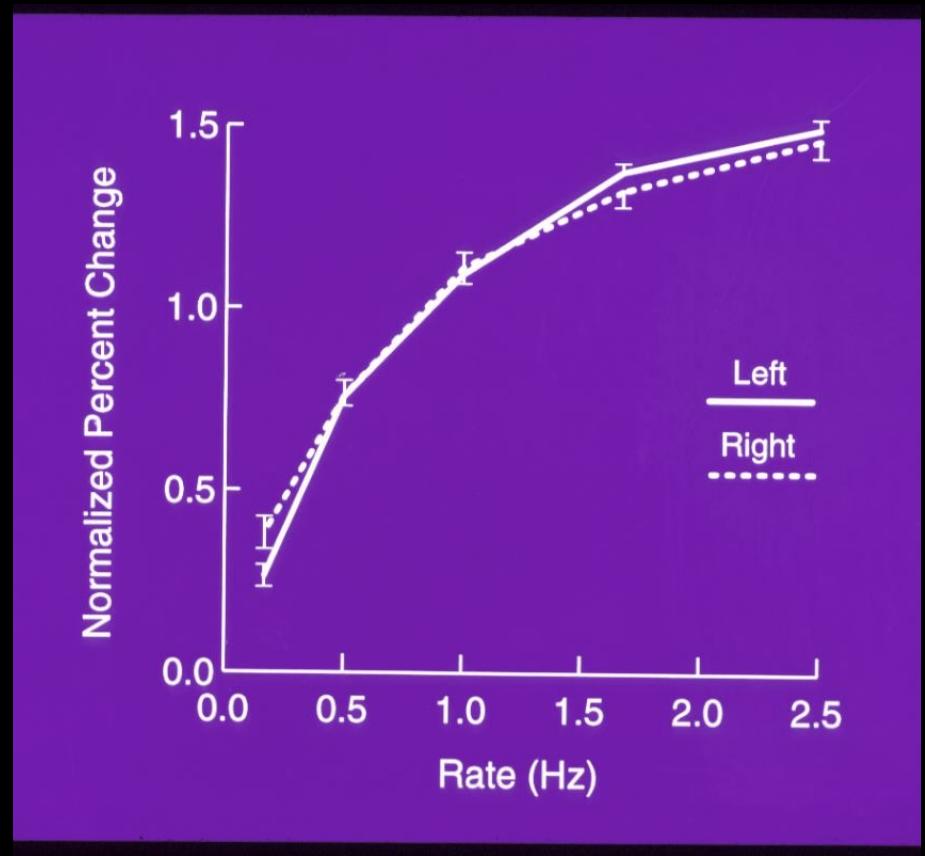
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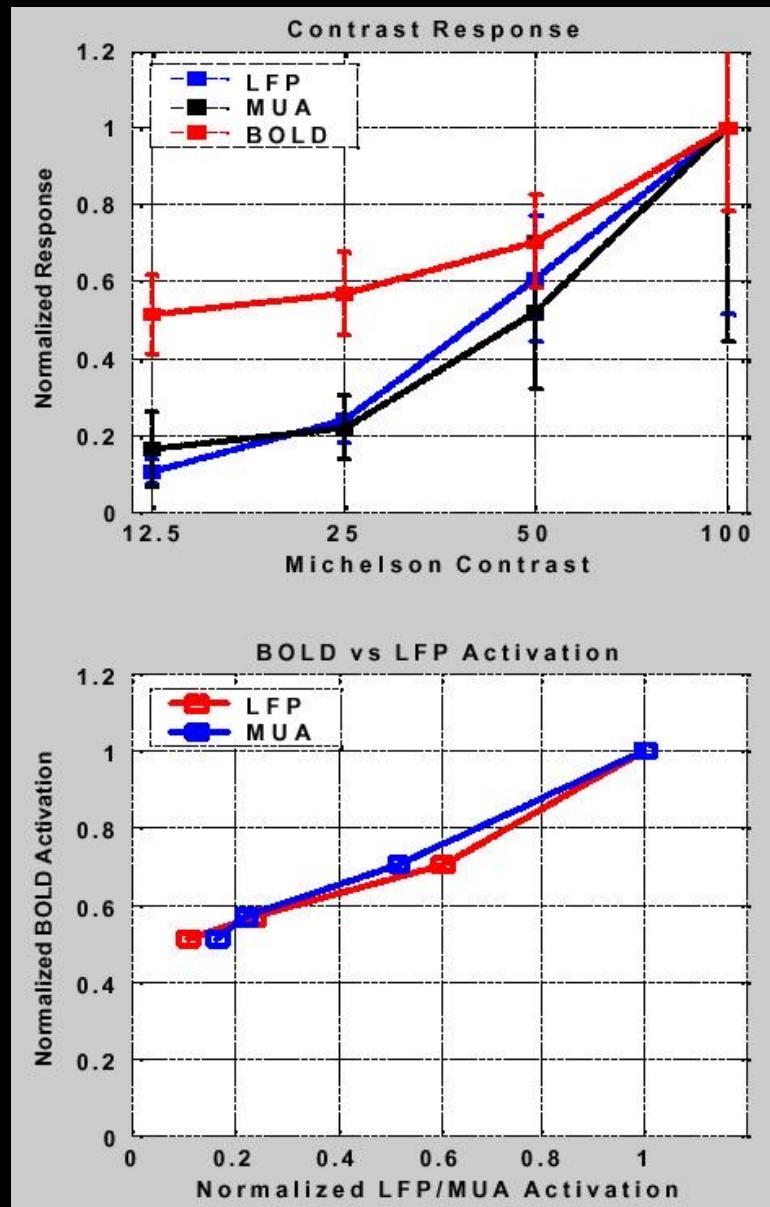


Motor Cortex



Auditory Cortex





Logothetis et al. Nature, 412, 150-157

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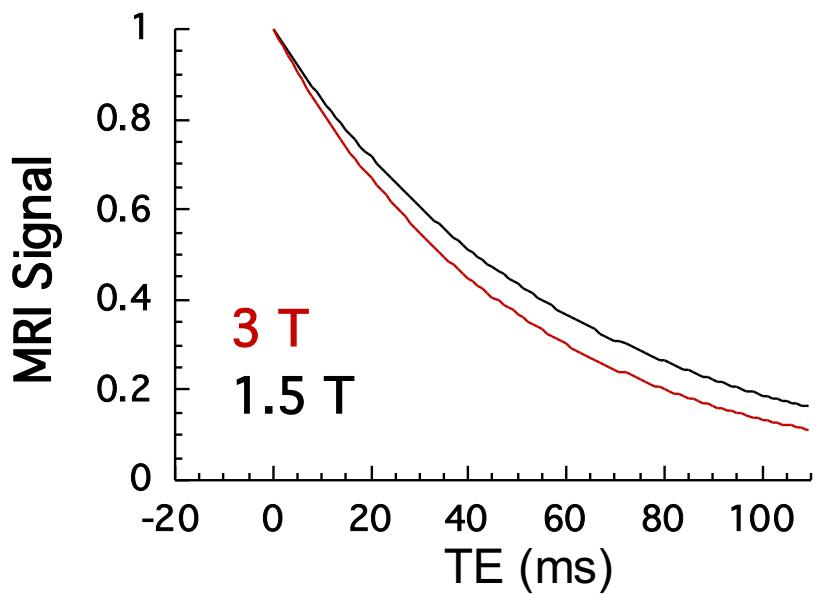
Sensitivity

- Optimizing fMRI Contrast
- Maximizing Signal
- Reducing Physiologic Fluctuations
- Minimizing Temporal Artifacts

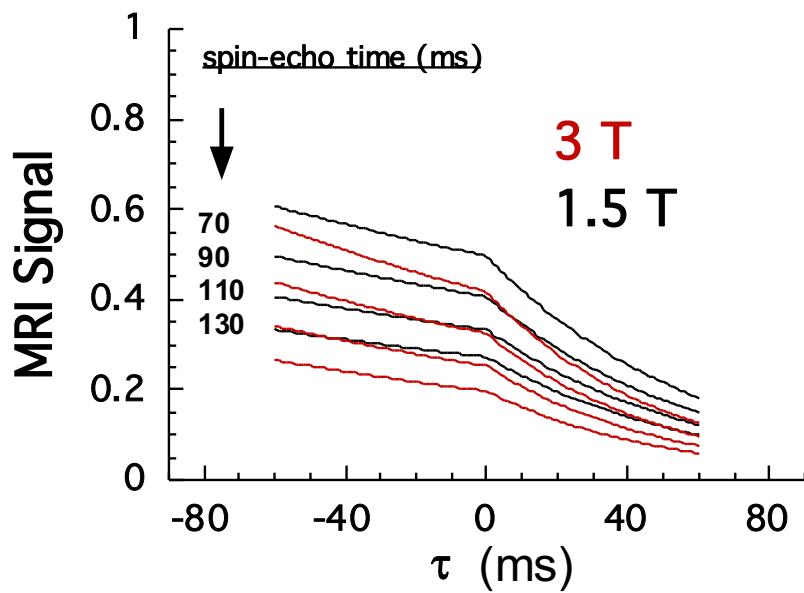
Optimizing fMRI Contrast

- Increase field strength
- Choose the right pulse sequence
- Adjust pulse sequence timing ($TE \approx T2^*$)
- Adjust voxel volume (\approx activation volume)

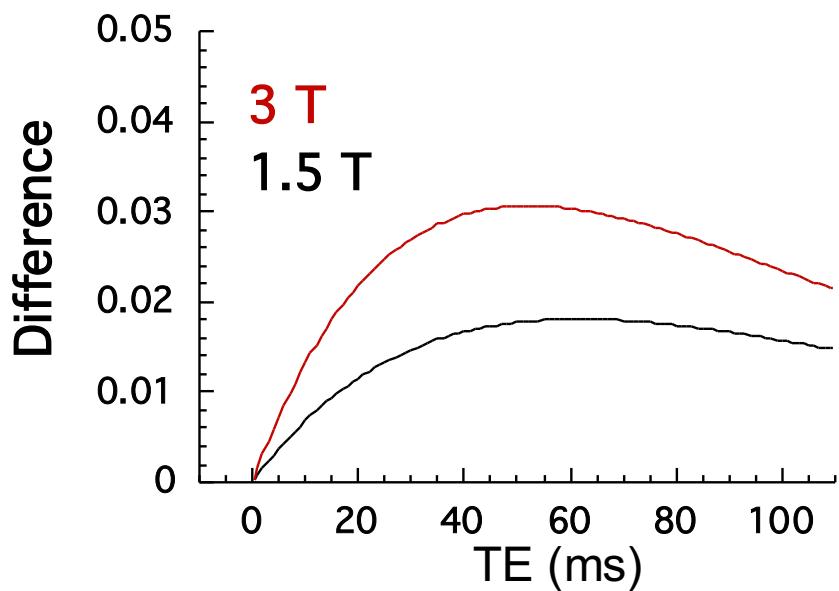
Gradient - Echo



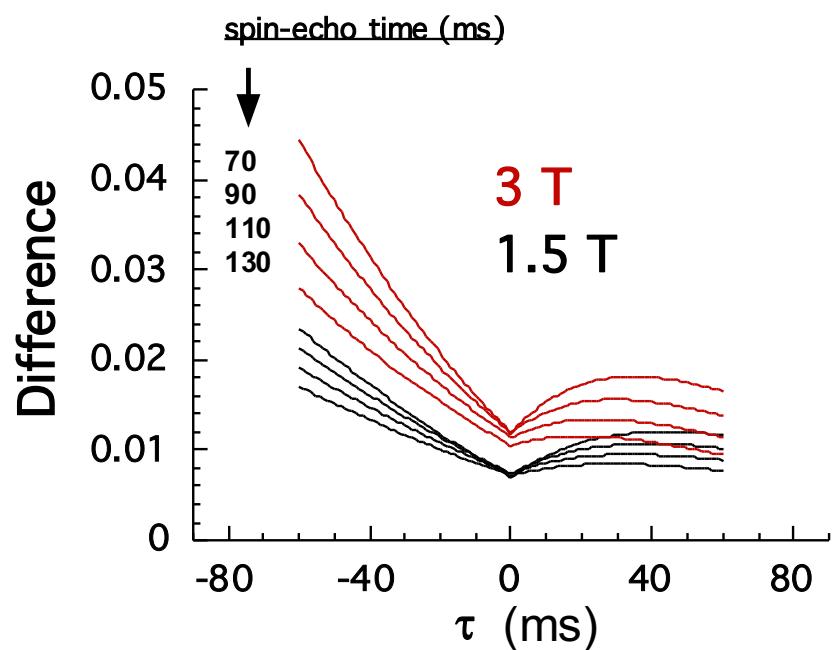
Asymmetric Spin - Echo



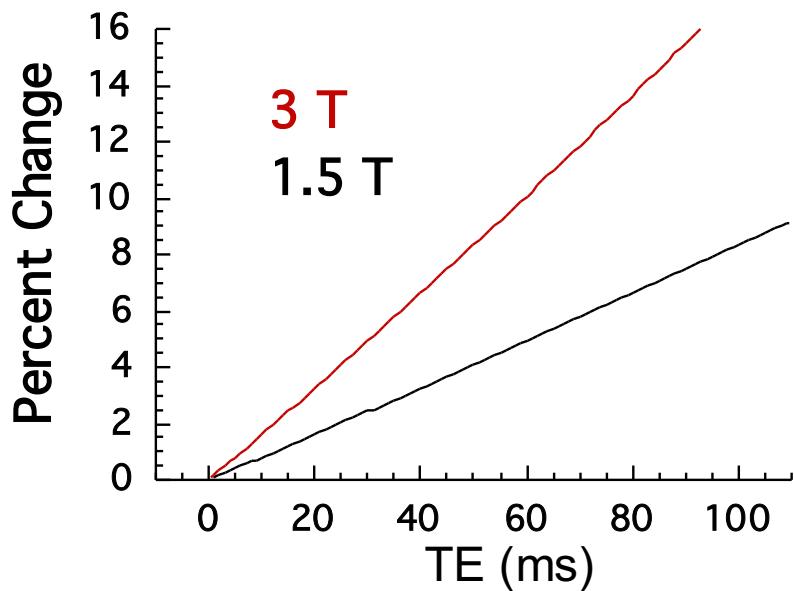
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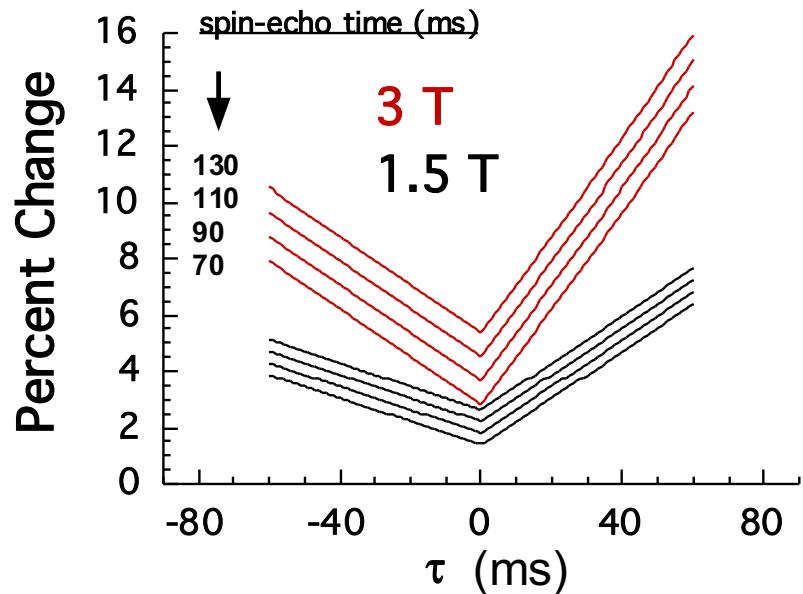
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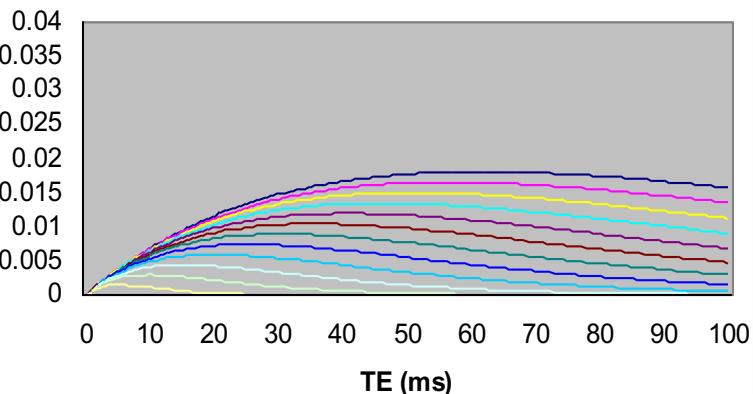


Contrast depends on:
activation-induced changes in $T2^*$ *and* resting $T2^*$

$T2^*$

Contrast at 1.5T ($dR2^* = -0.8 \text{ 1/s}$)

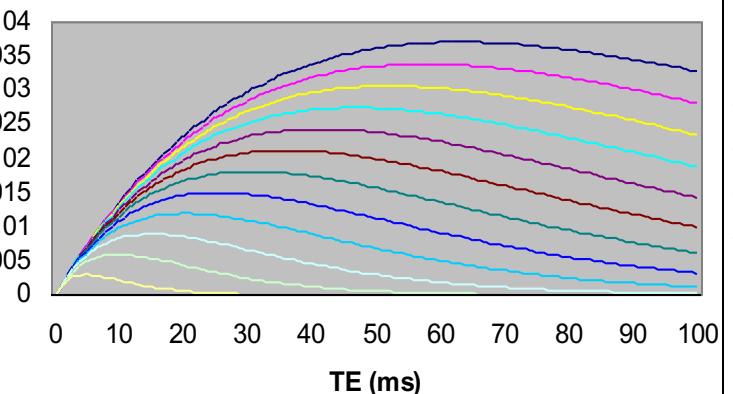
Contrast



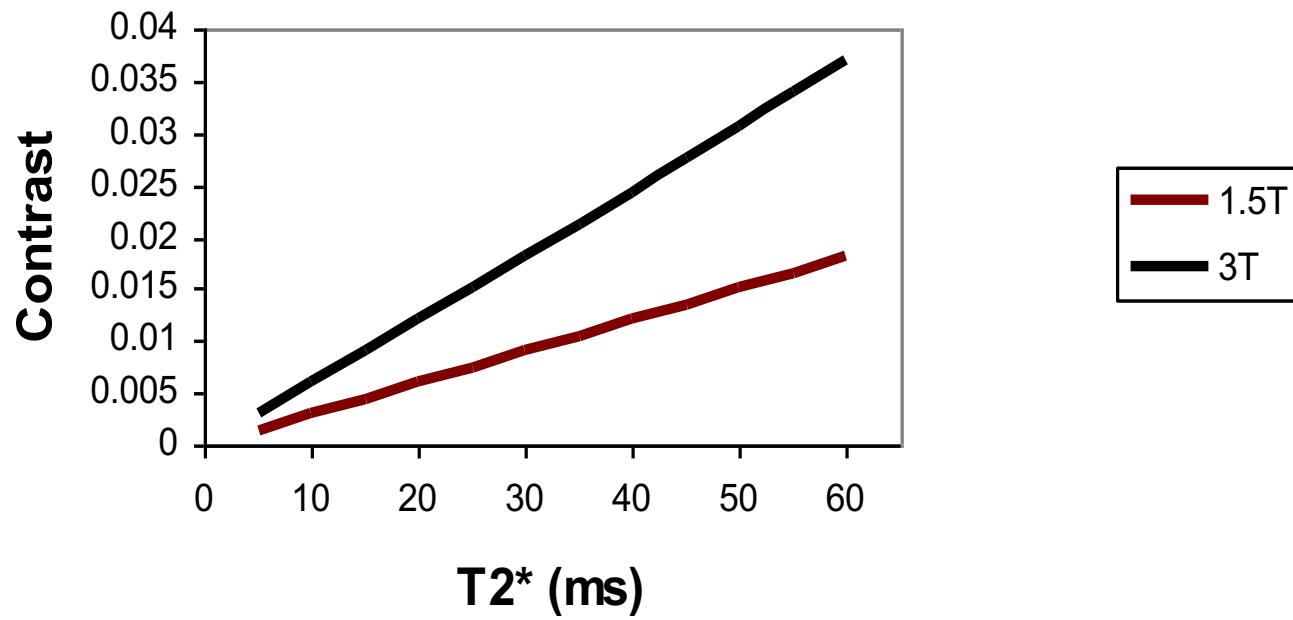
$T2^*$

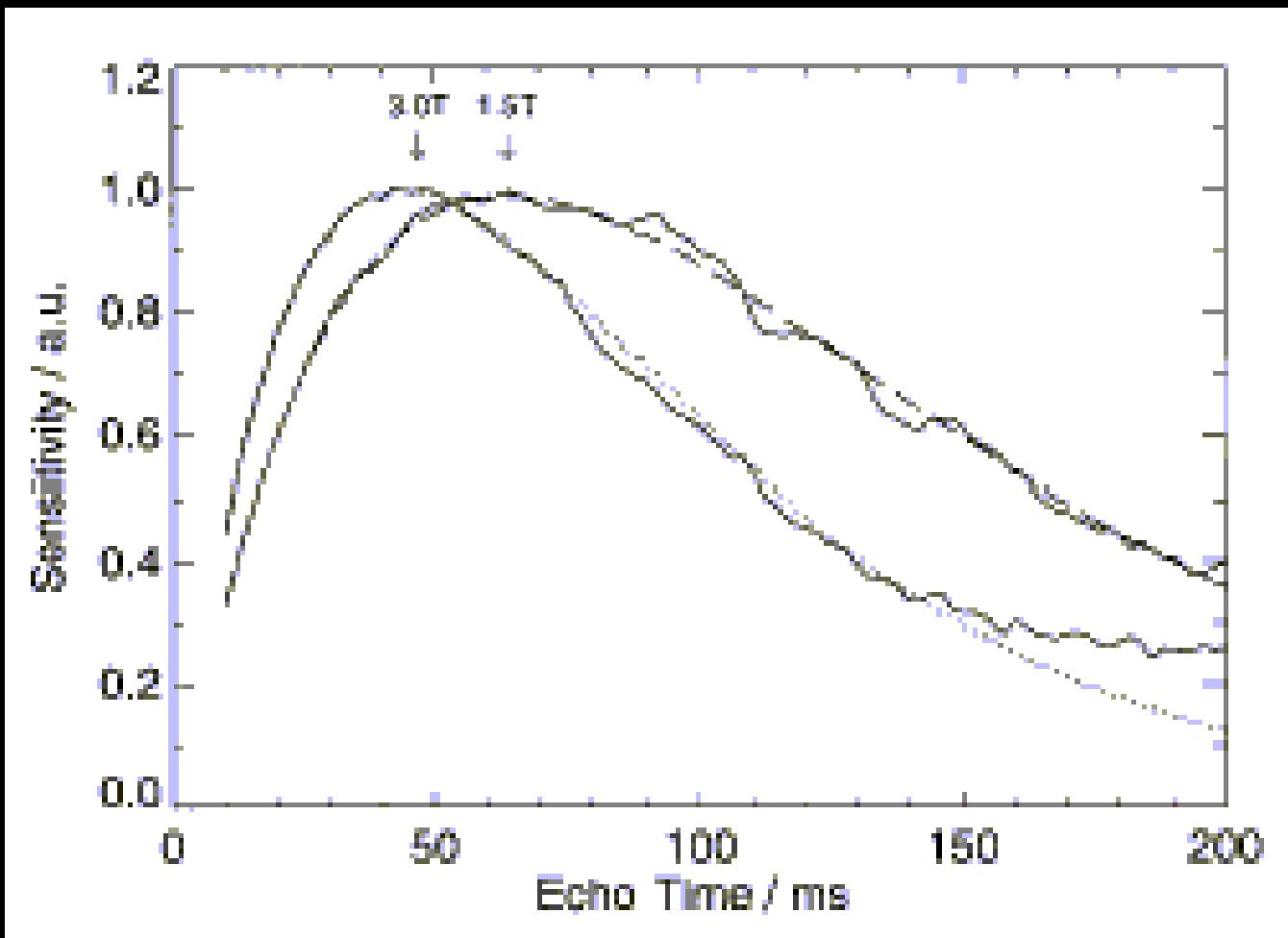
Contrast at 3T ($dR2^* = -1.6 \text{ 1/s}$)

Contrast



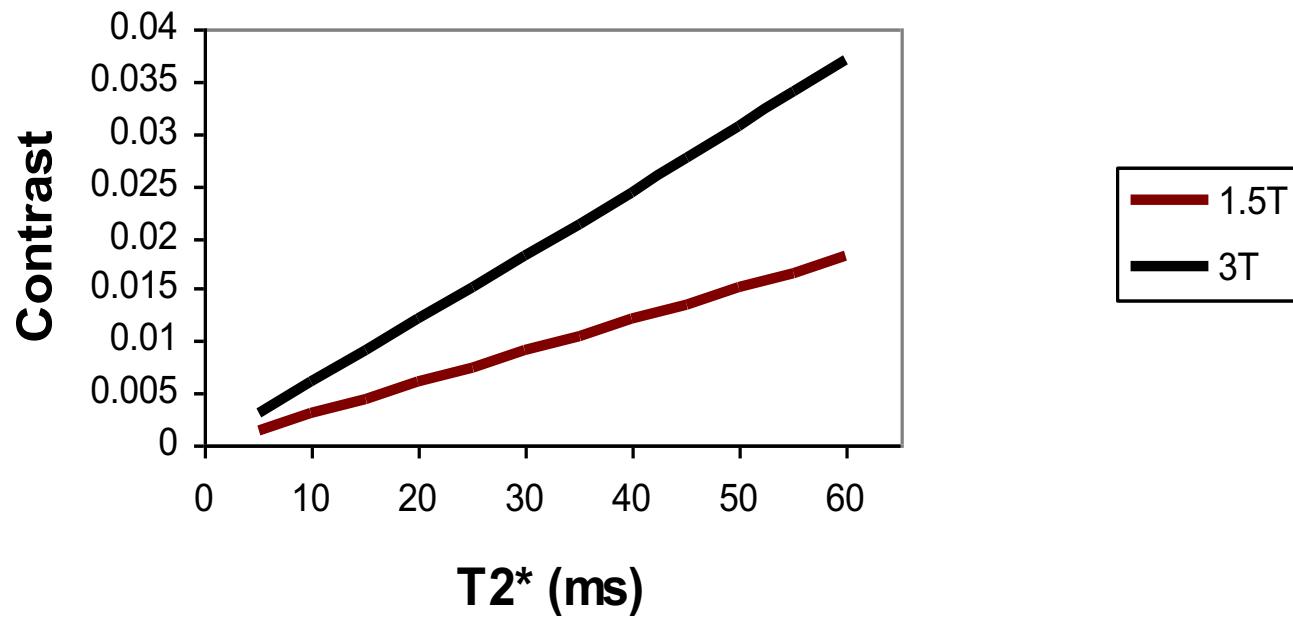
Functional Contrast at Optimal TE

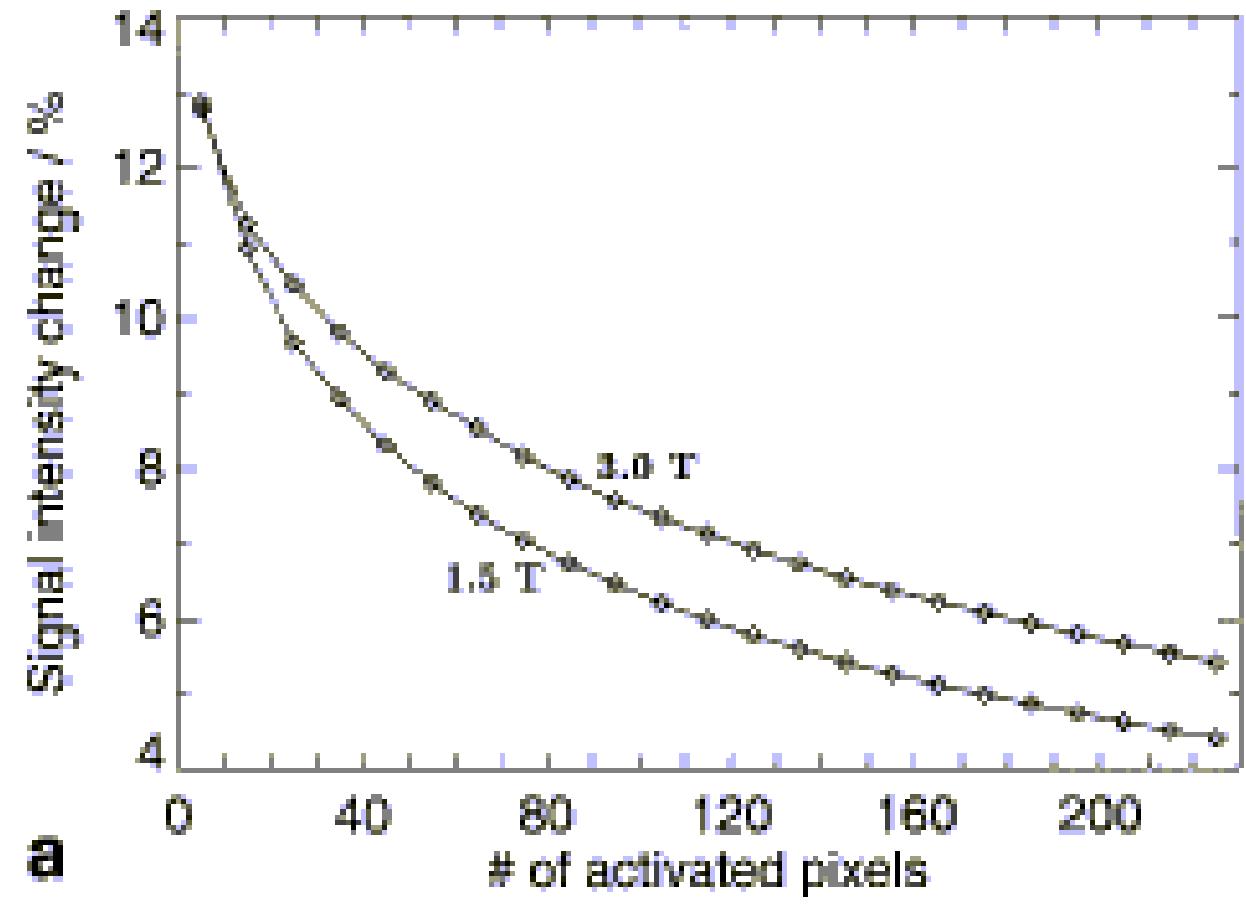




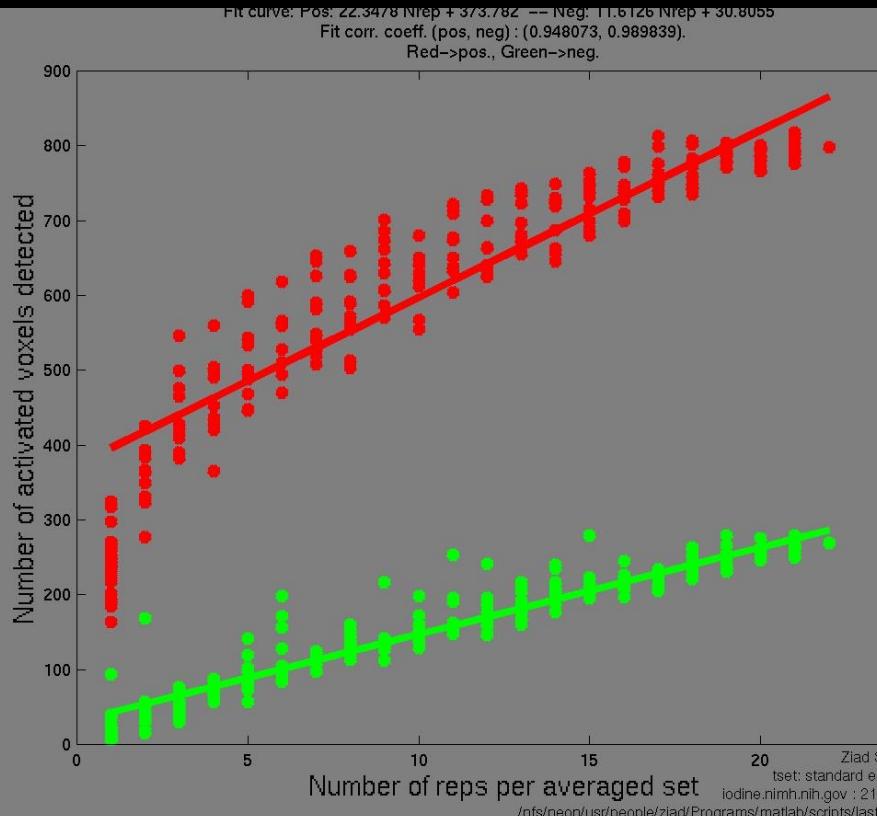
Kruger et al.

Functional Contrast at Optimal TE

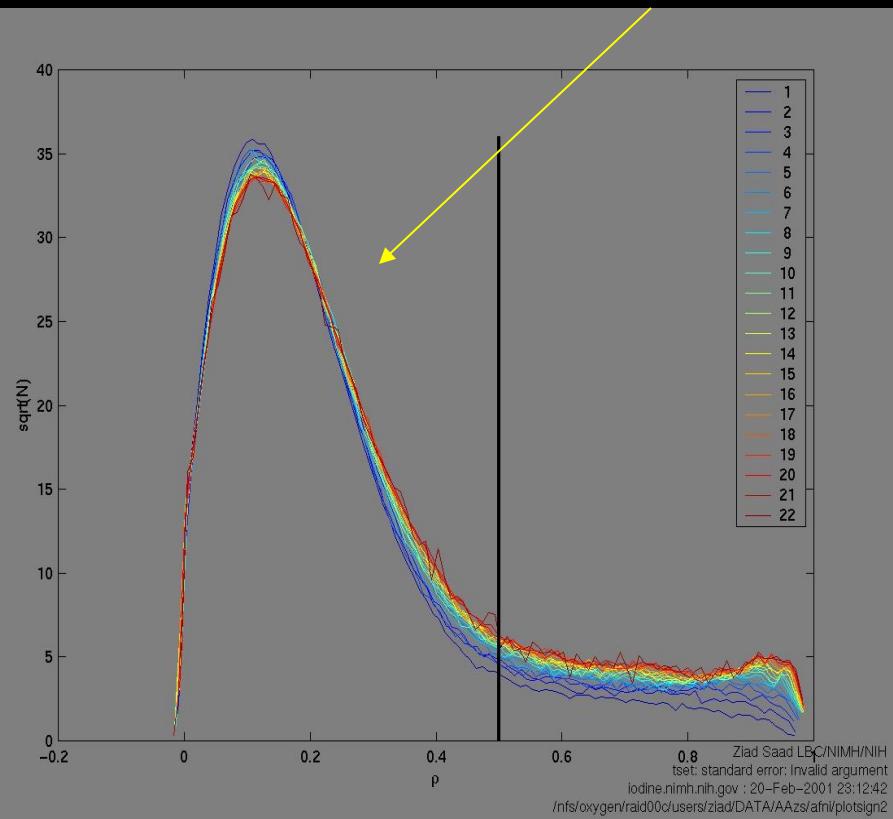




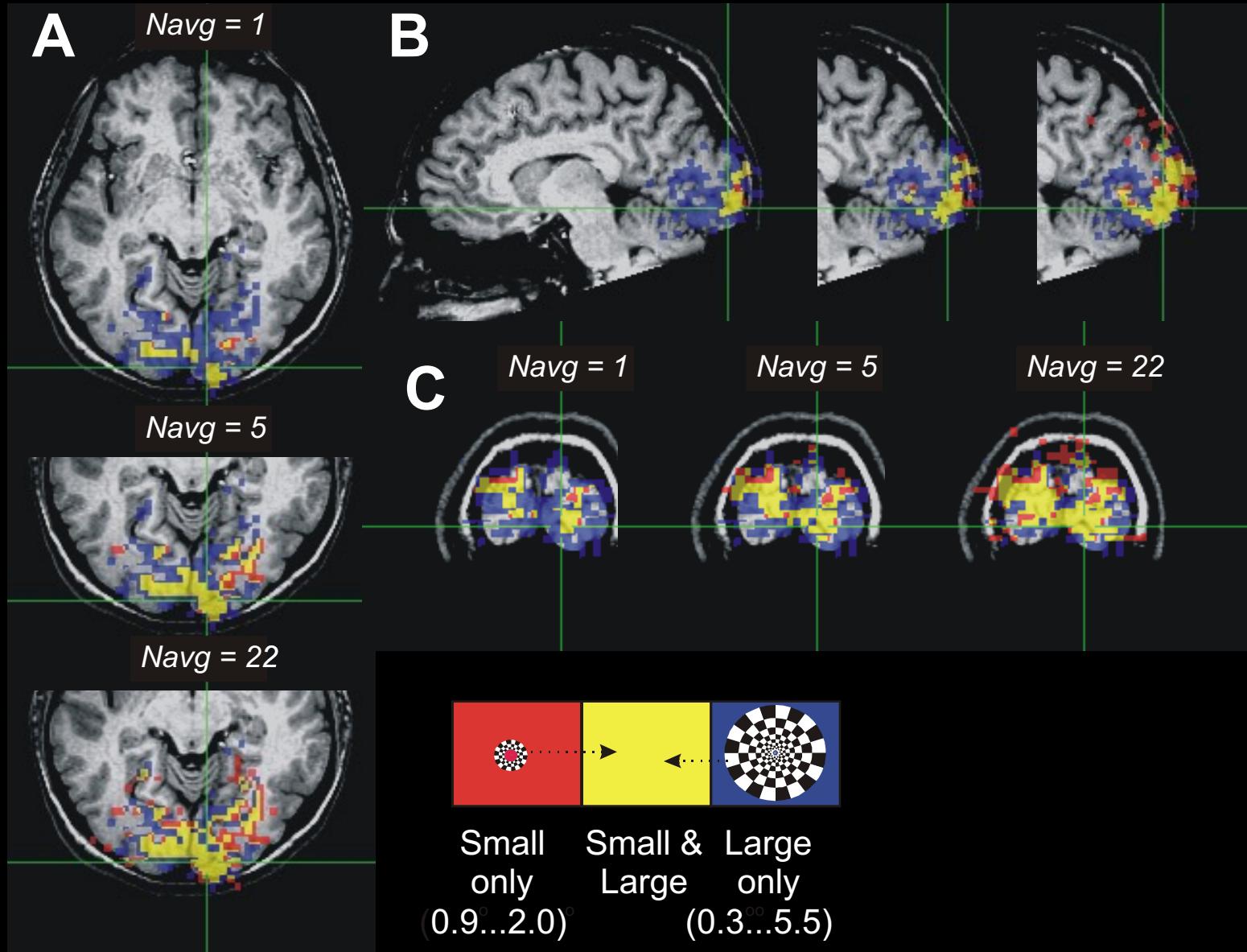
Continuously Growing Activation Area



CC Histogram Inflection Point



Ziad Saad, et al



Maximizing Signal

- Higher Bo Field
 - Linear or greater increase in S/N
 - Tradeoff in susceptibility artifacts
- Radio frequency Coils
 - Smaller the coil the higher the S/N
 - Tradeoff in coverage
- Choice of repetition time (TR)
 - Faster is better (more data points to average)
 - Tradeoff in coverage (10 slices/sec)
 - $\min TR = (\text{time/slice}) \times \text{number of slices in volume}$
 - Diminishing returns because of noise correlation
- Voxel volume
 - Linear relationship between S/N and voxel volume
 - Larger voxels increase partial volume averaging -> reduction of functional signal
- Averaging
 - Increase in sensitivity by \sqrt{N}
 - System and subject instabilities increase with longer

Physiologic Fluctuations

Cardiac 0.6 to 1.2 Hz

Respiratory 0.1 to 0.2 Hz

Low Frequency 0.0 to 0.1 Hz

0.25 Hz Breathing at 1.5T

Power Spectra

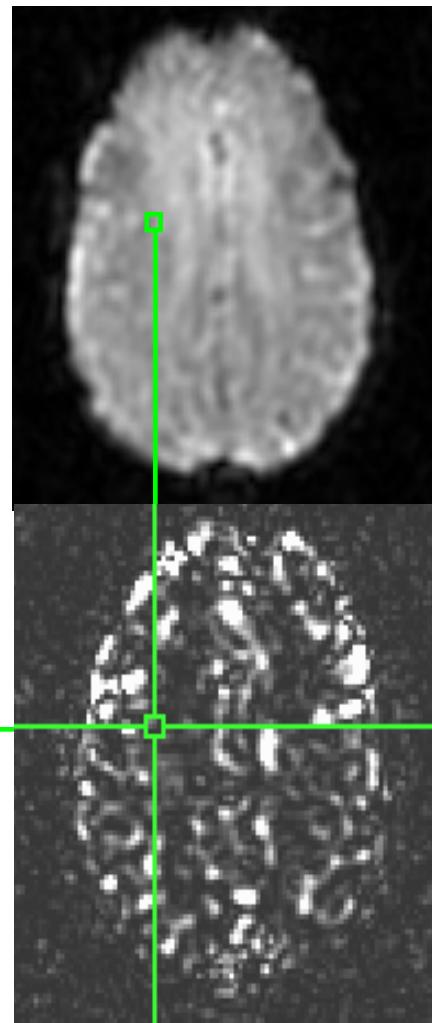
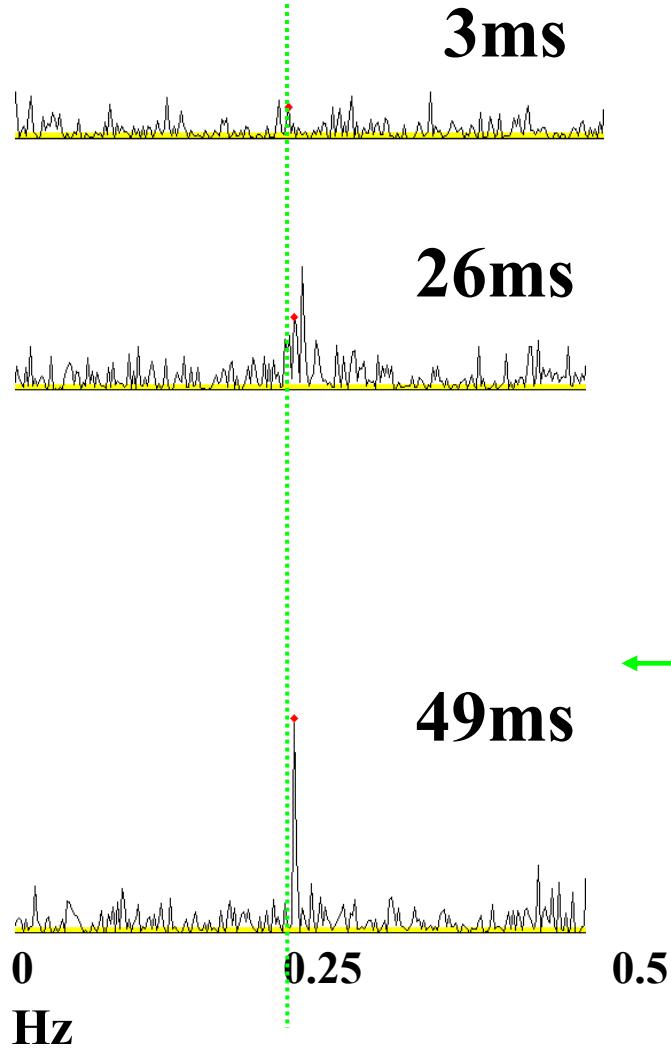


Image Respiration map

0.68 Hz Cardiac rate at 3T

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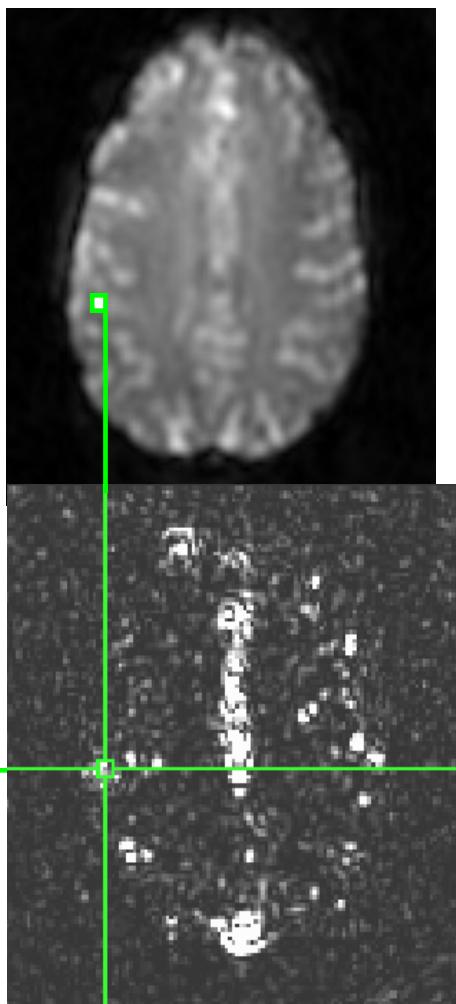
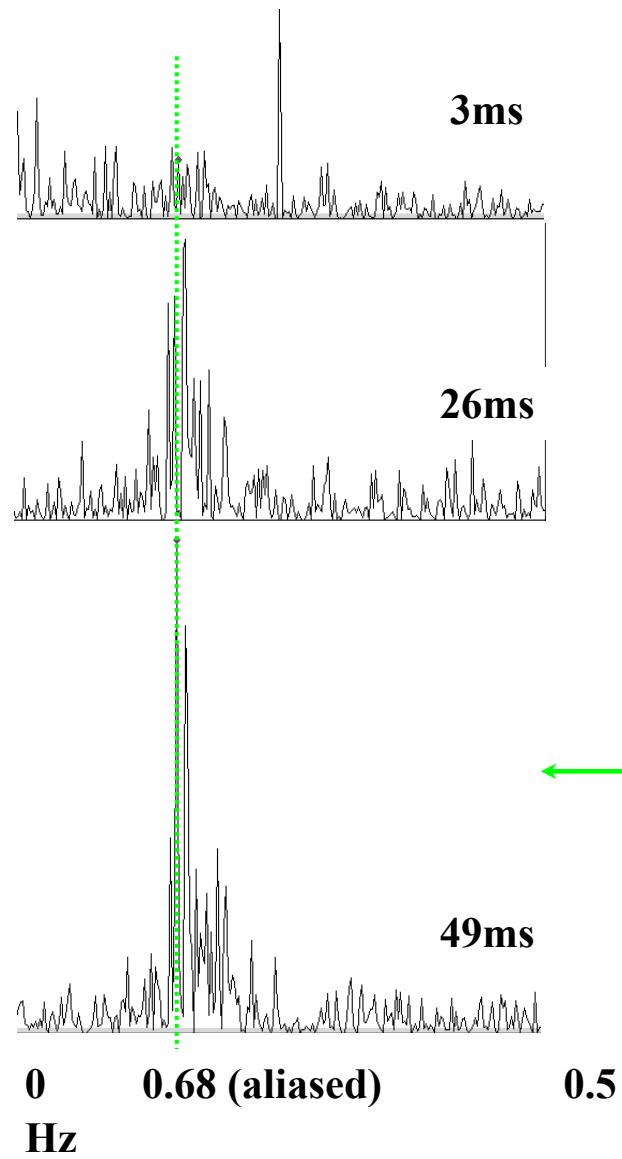
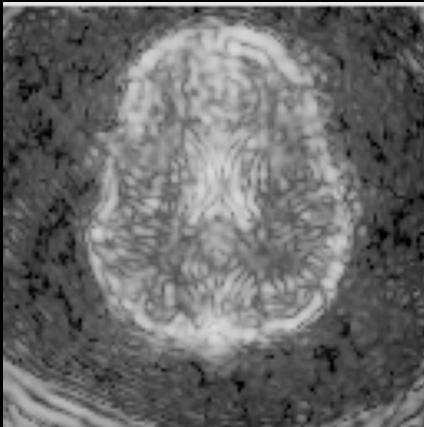


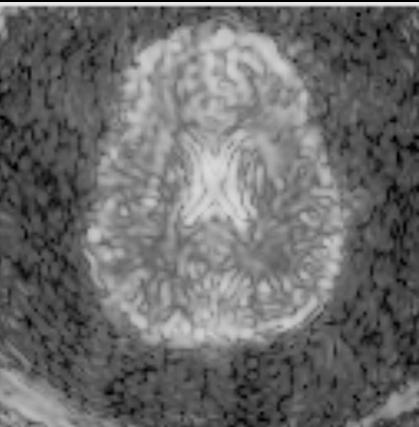
Image
Cardiac map

Temporal vs. Spatial SNR- 3T

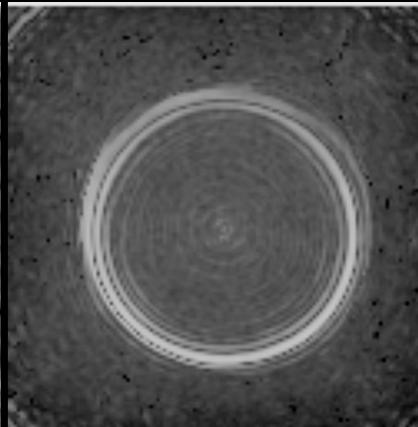
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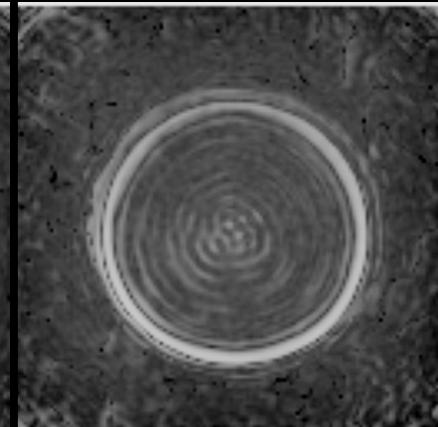
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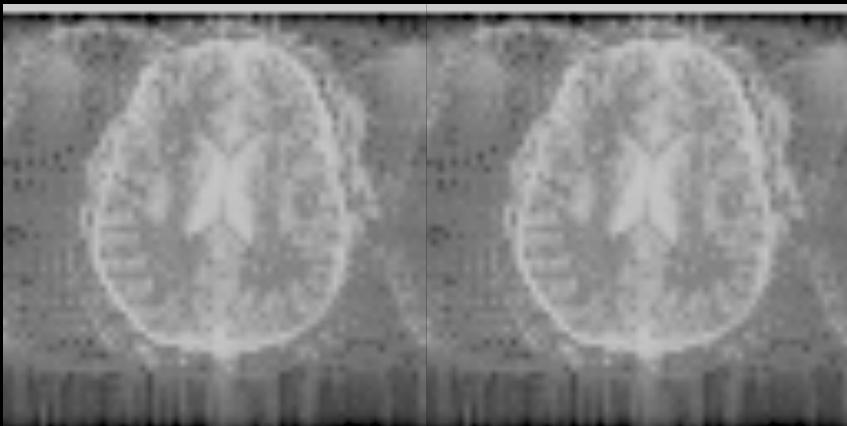
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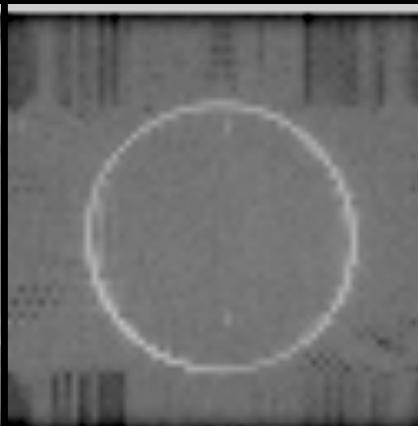
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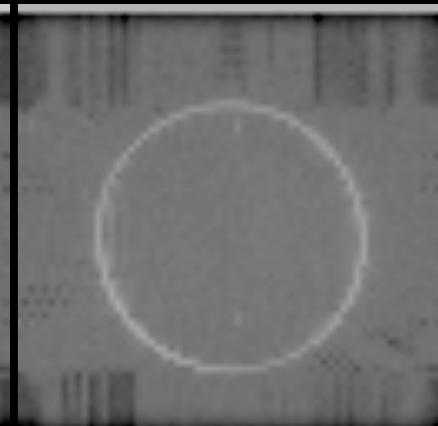
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27ms

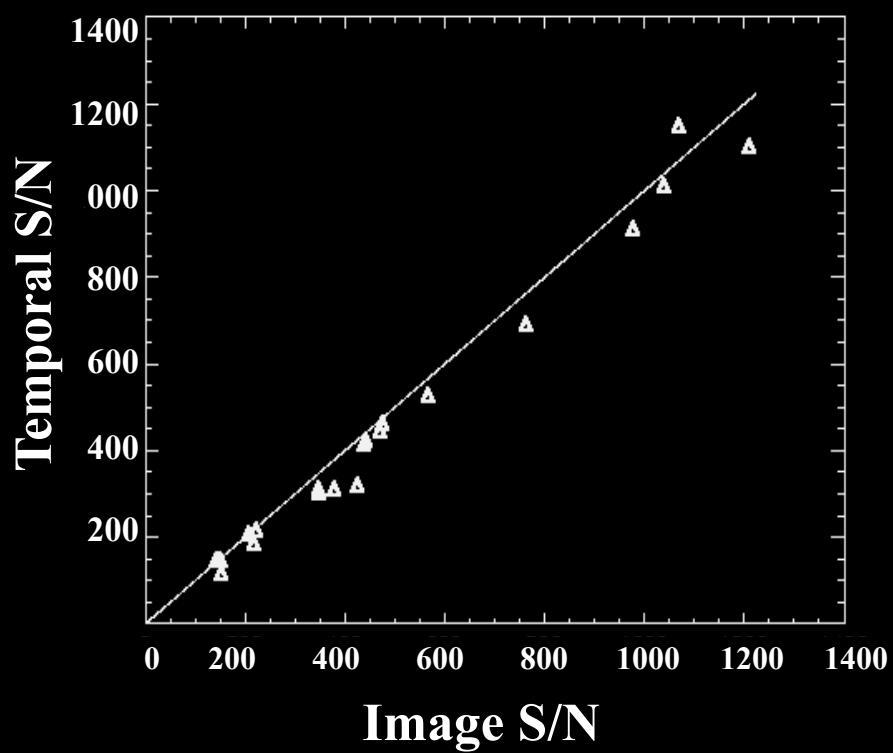


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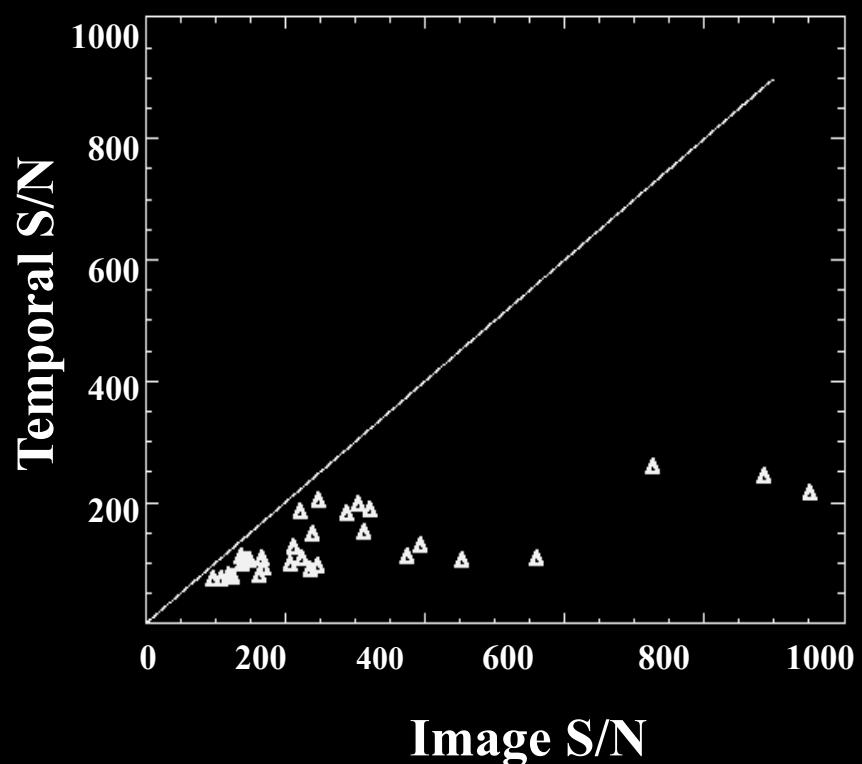
SPIRAL EPI

Temporal S/N vs. Image S/N

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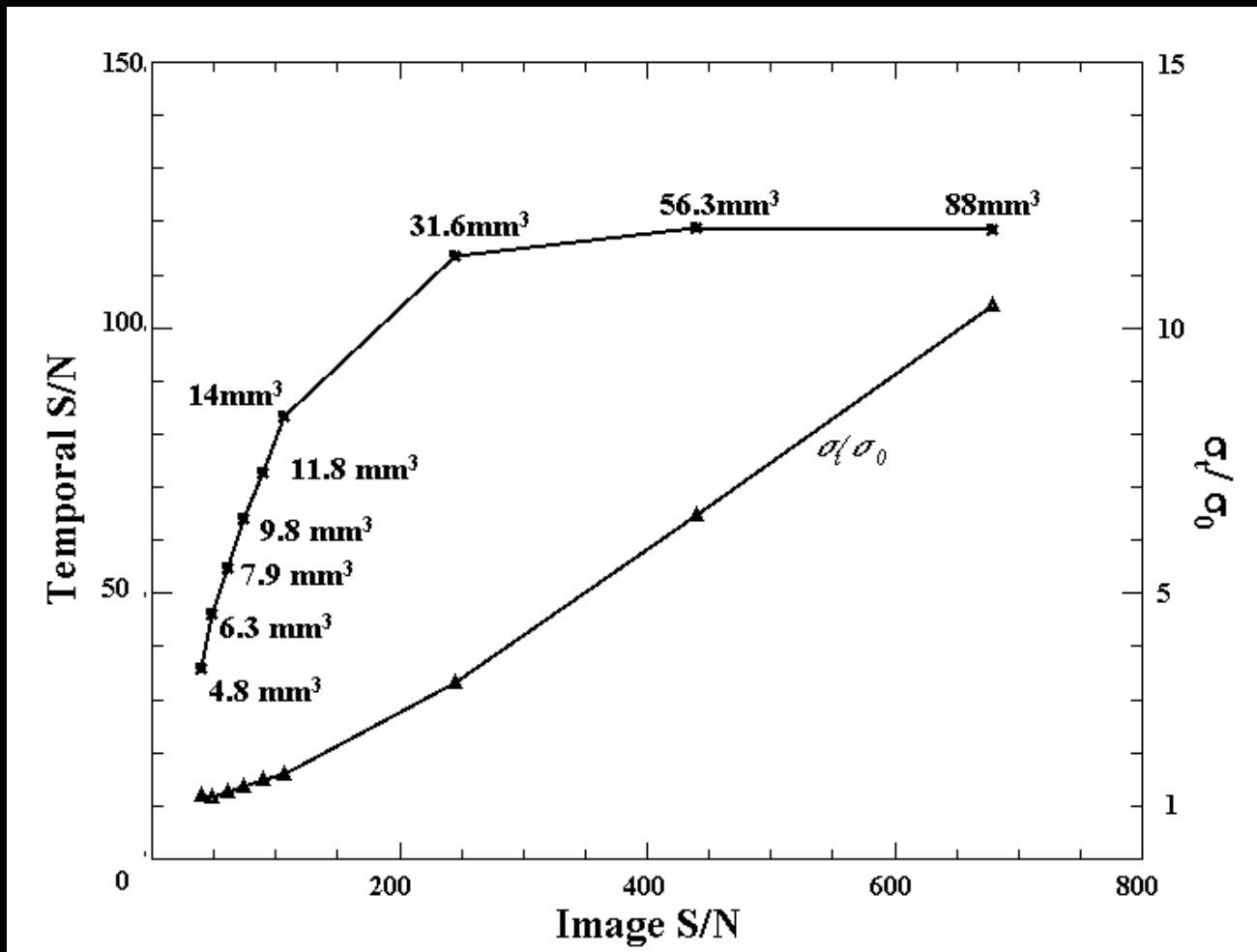


SUBJECTS



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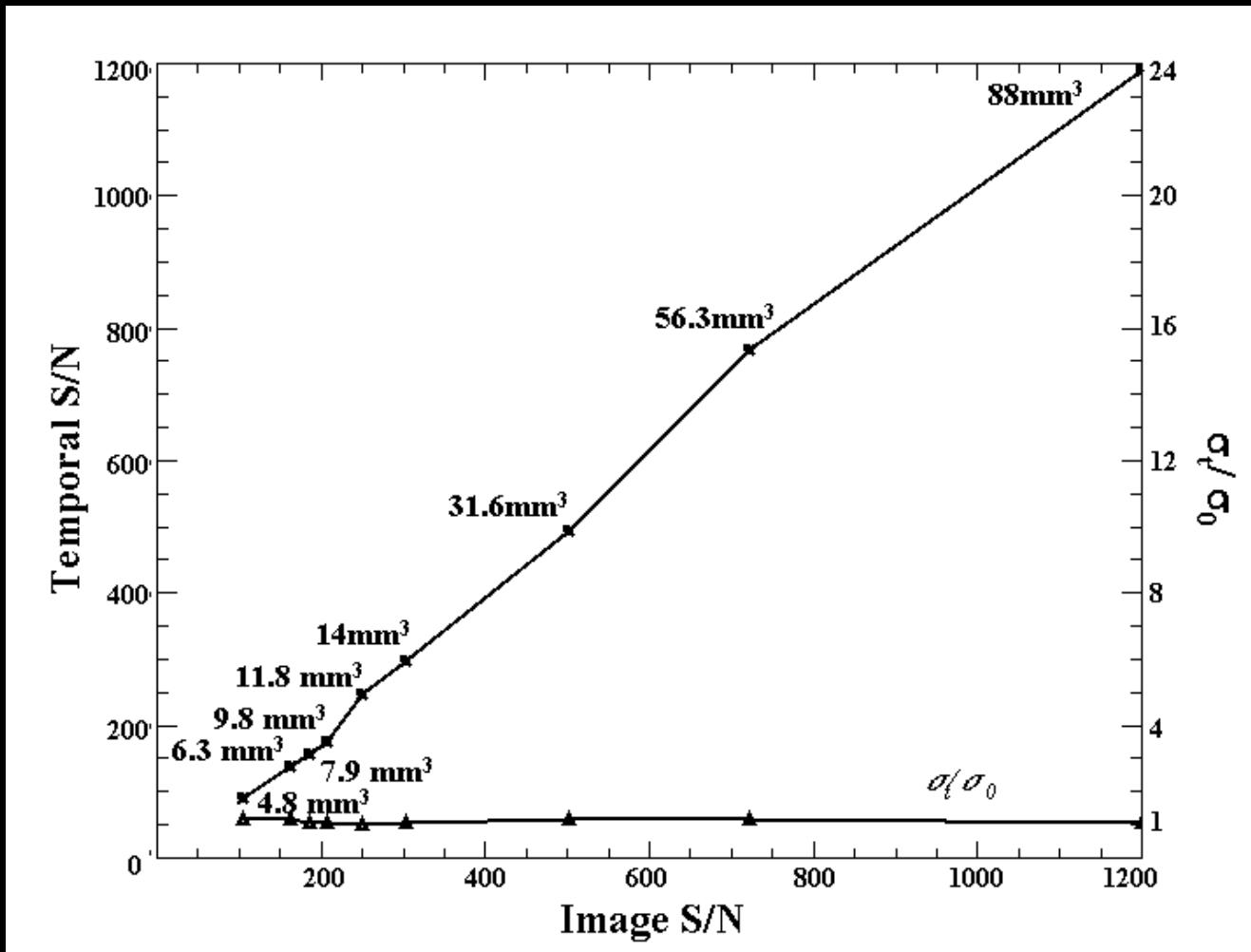
Temporal vs. Image S/N Optimal Resolution Study



Human data

Petridou et al

Temporal vs. Image S/N Optimal Resolution Study



Phantom data

Petridou et al

Reducing Physiologic Fluctuations

- Filtering
- Pulse sequence
 - single vs. multishot
 - strategies for multishot
- Gating with correction for variable TR

Temporal Artifacts

- System instabilities
- Motion
 - Drift
 - Stimulus correlated
 - Stimulus uncorrelated

Minimizing Temporal Artifacts

Recognize?

- Edge effects
- Shorter signal change latencies
- Unusually high signal changes
- External measuring devices

Correct?

- Image registration algorithms
- Orthogonalize to motion-related function (*cardiac, respiration, movement*)
- Navigator echo for k-space alignment
(for multishot techniques)
- Re-do scan

Bypass?

- Paradigm timing strategies..
- Gating (with T1-correction)

Suppress?

- Flatten image contrast
- Physical restraint
- Averaging, smoothing

Neuronal Activation Input Strategies

1. Block Design

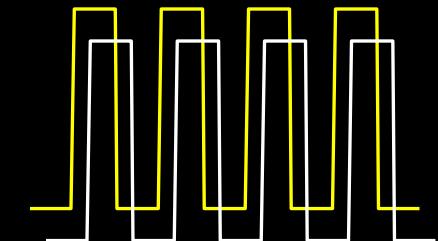
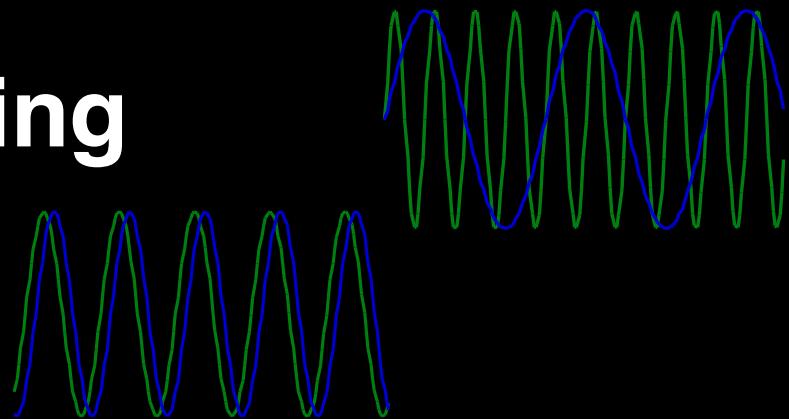
2. Frequency Encoding

3. Phase Encoding

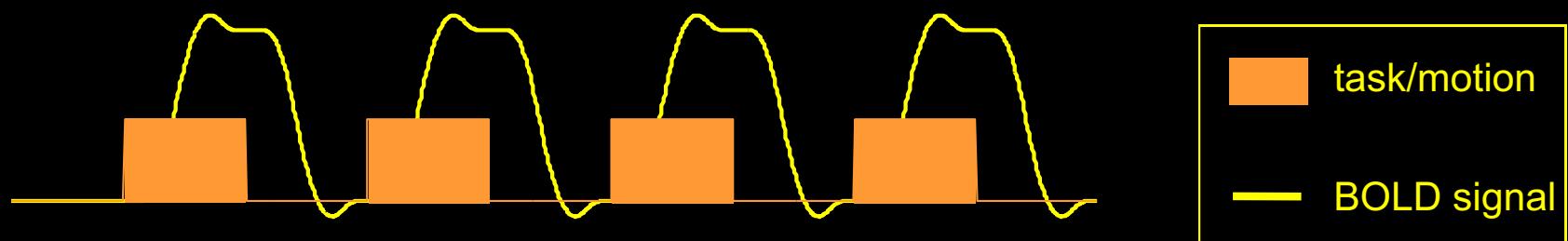
4. Event Related

5. Orthogonal Block Design

6. Free behavior Design.



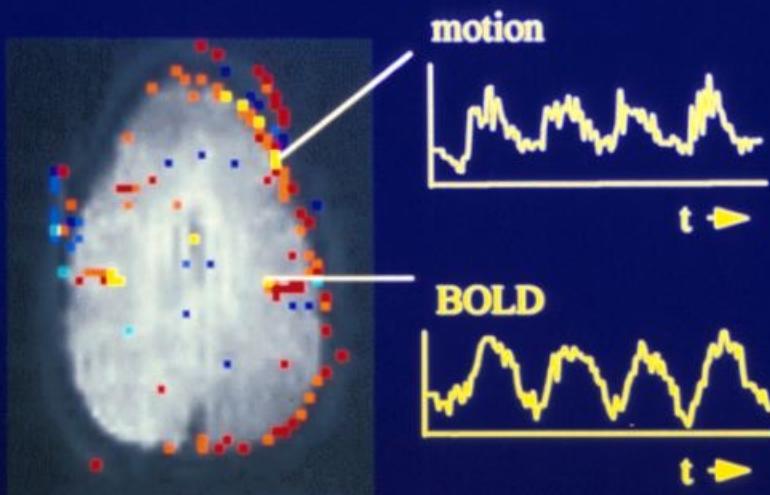
Block-trial



Single-trial (brief stimulus)

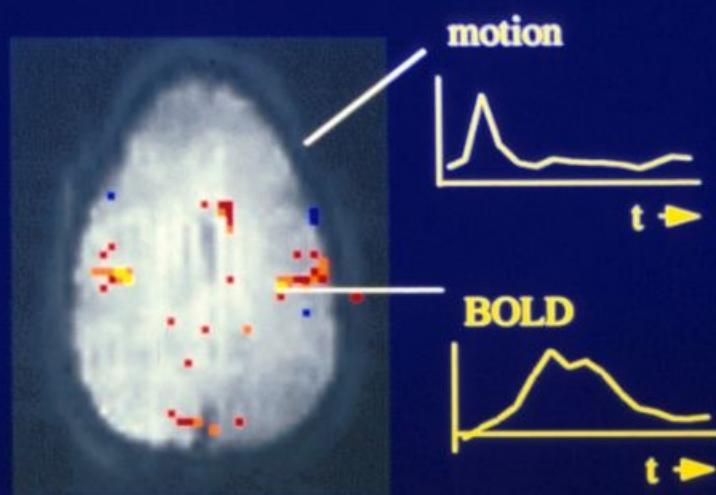


Motion-Decoupled fMRI: Functional MRI during overt word production



"block-trial" paradigm

Motion induced signal changes resemble functional (BOLD) signal changes



"single-trial" paradigm

Motion induced and BOLD signal changes are separated in time

R.M. Birn, et al.

Overt Word Production



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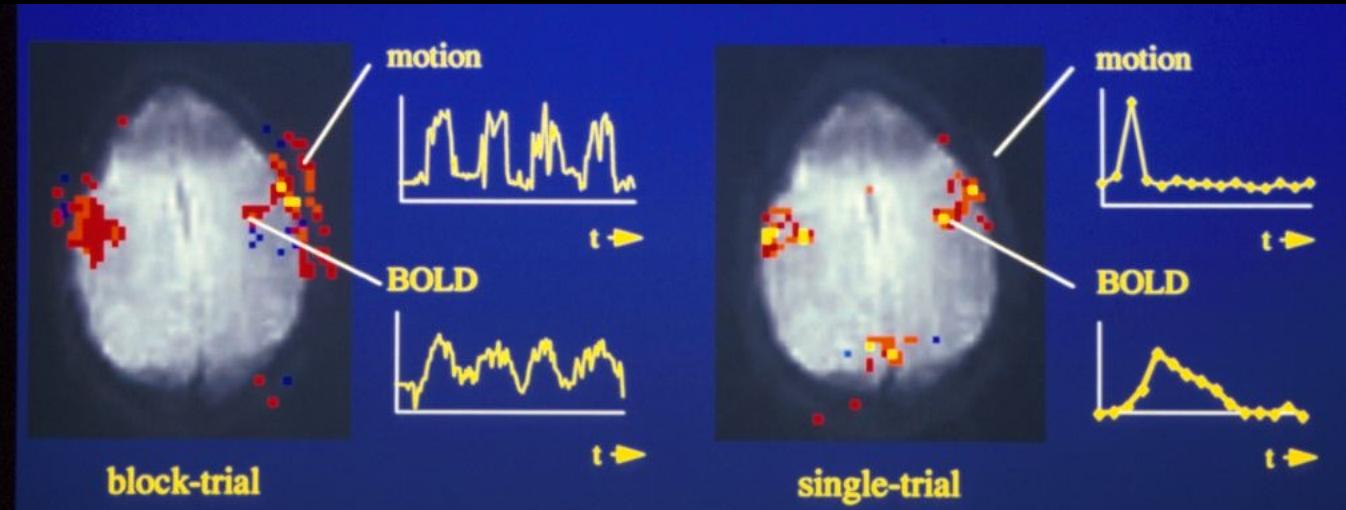
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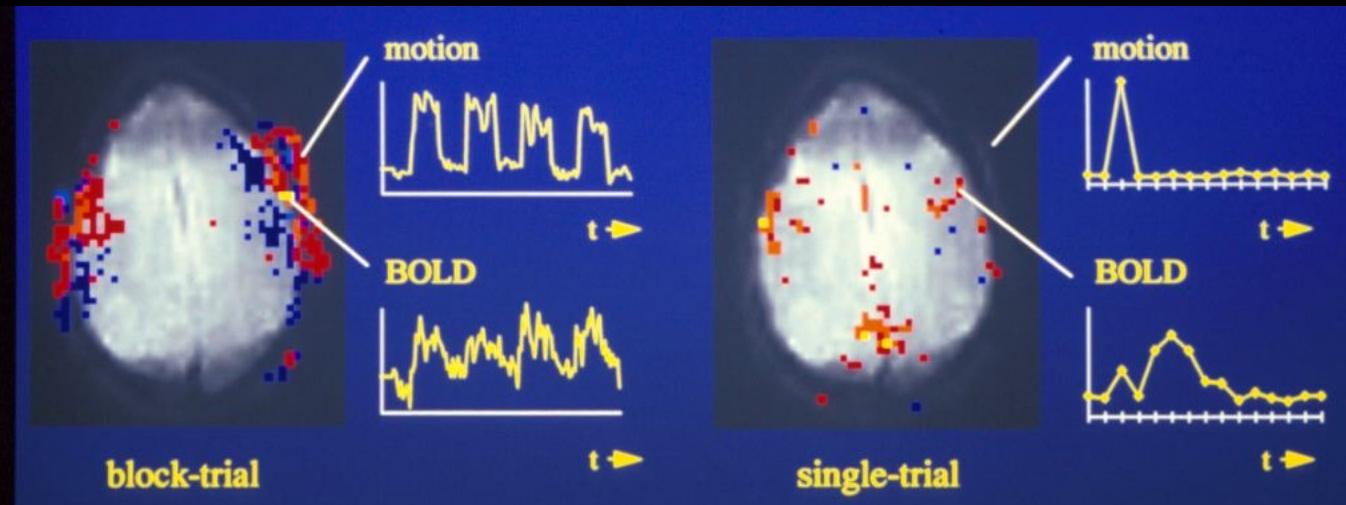
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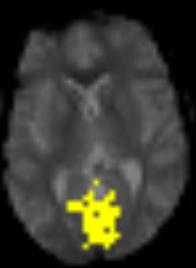
Tongue Movement



Jaw Clenching



Visual Cortex



ISI, SD

ISI, SD

20, 20

8, 2

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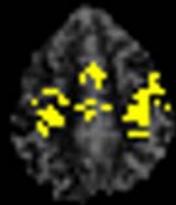
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Motor Cortex



ISI, SD

ISI, SD

8, 2

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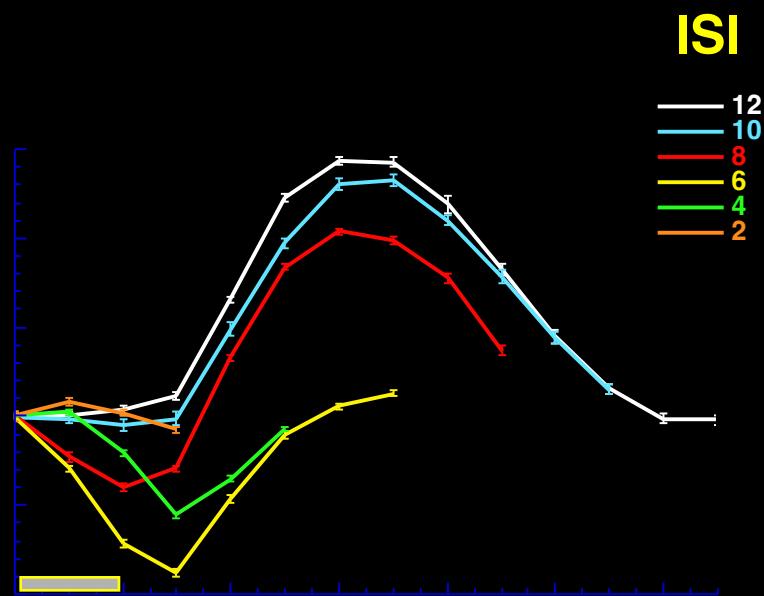
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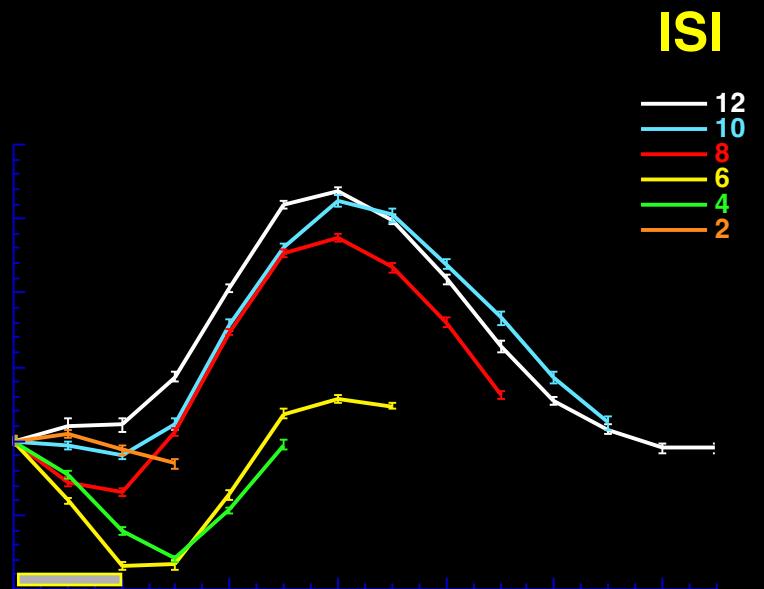
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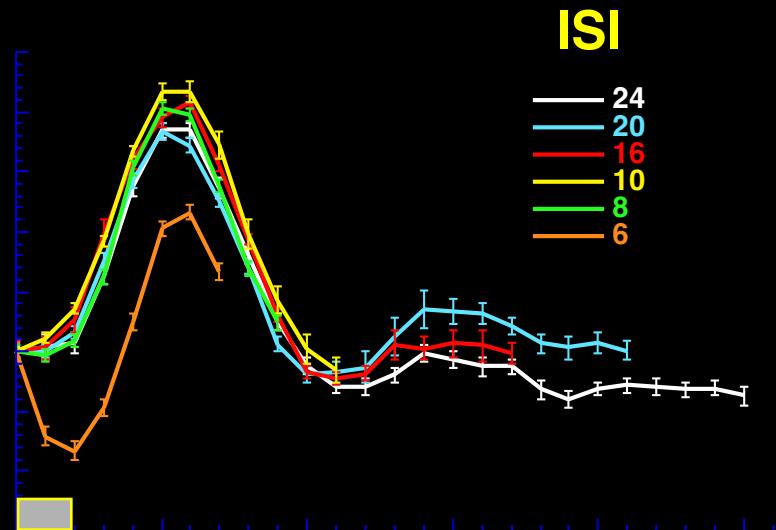
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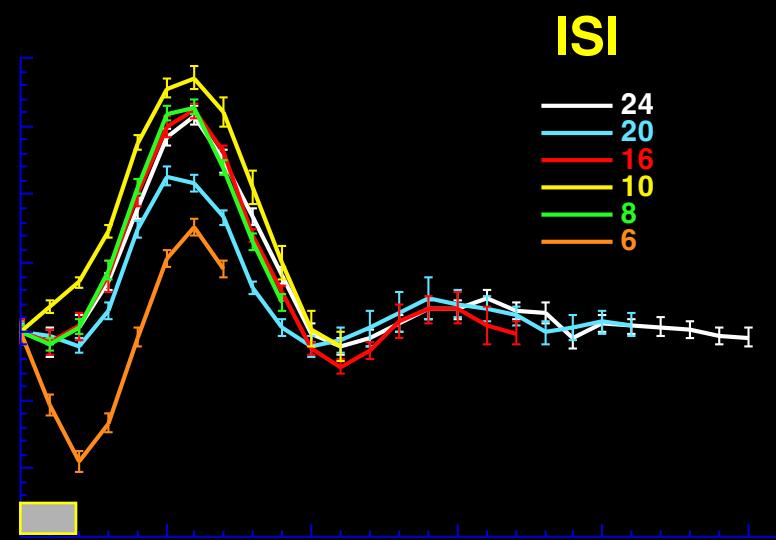
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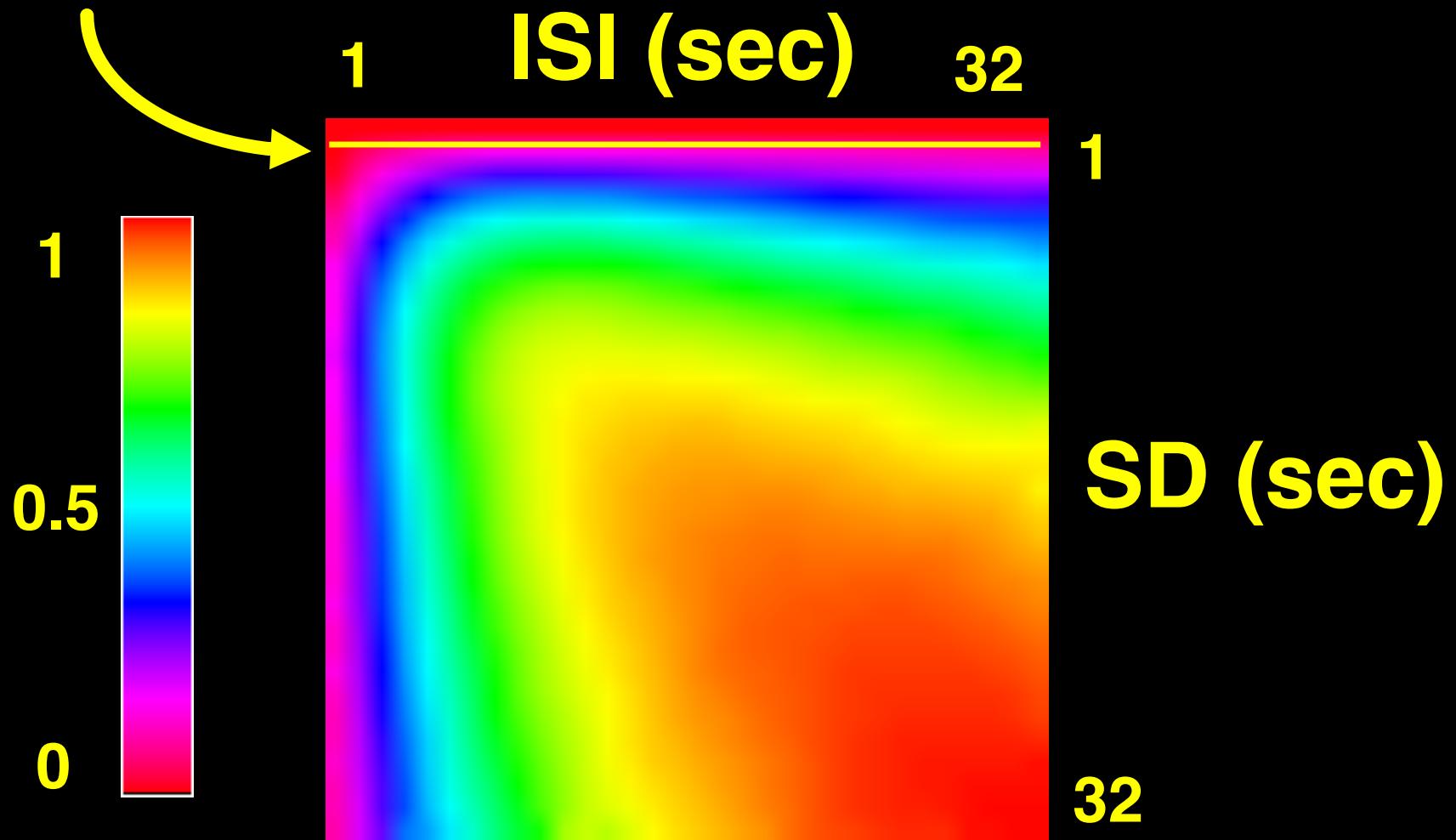
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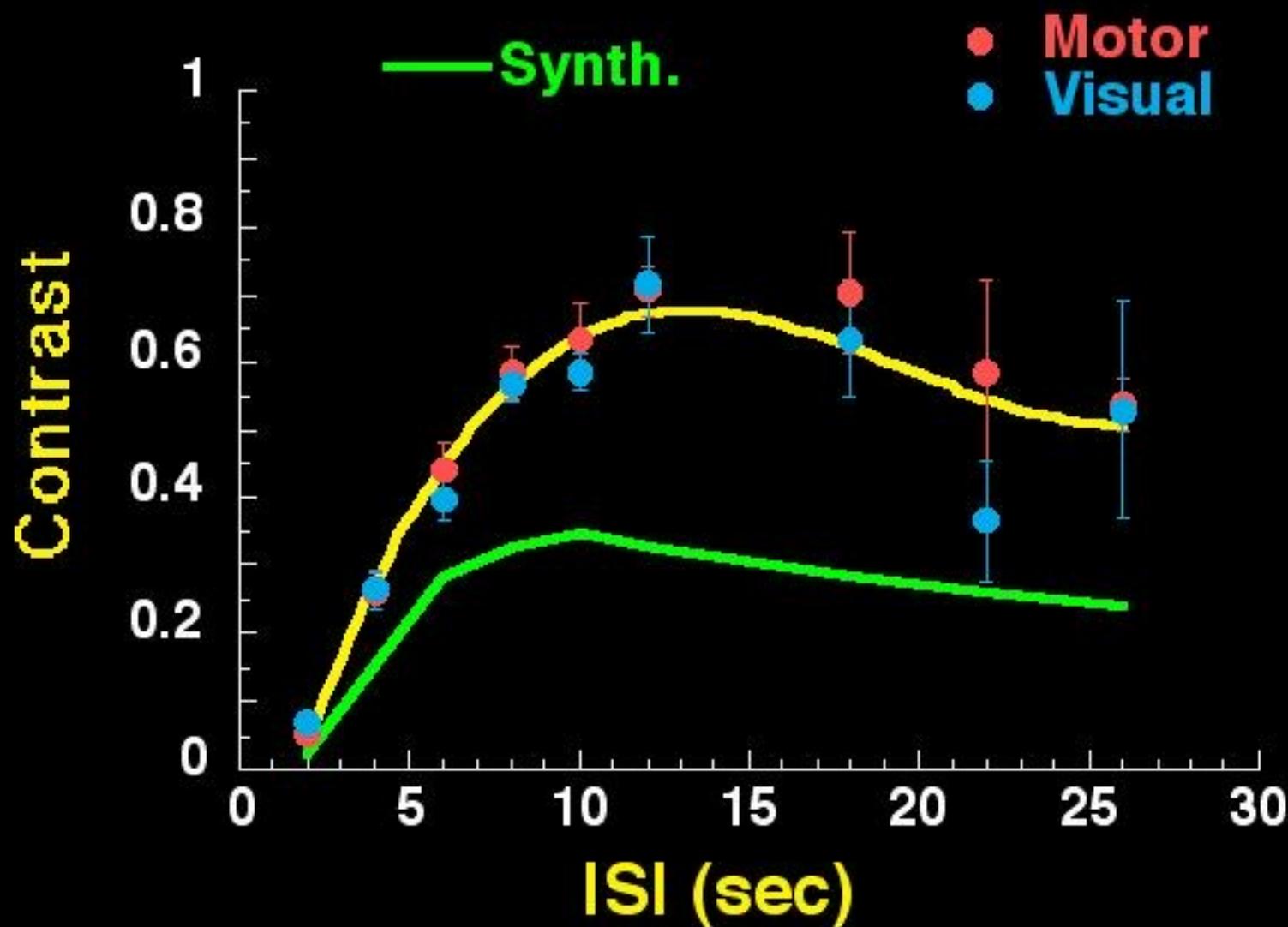
Visual Cortex



Functional Contrast



Functional Contrast



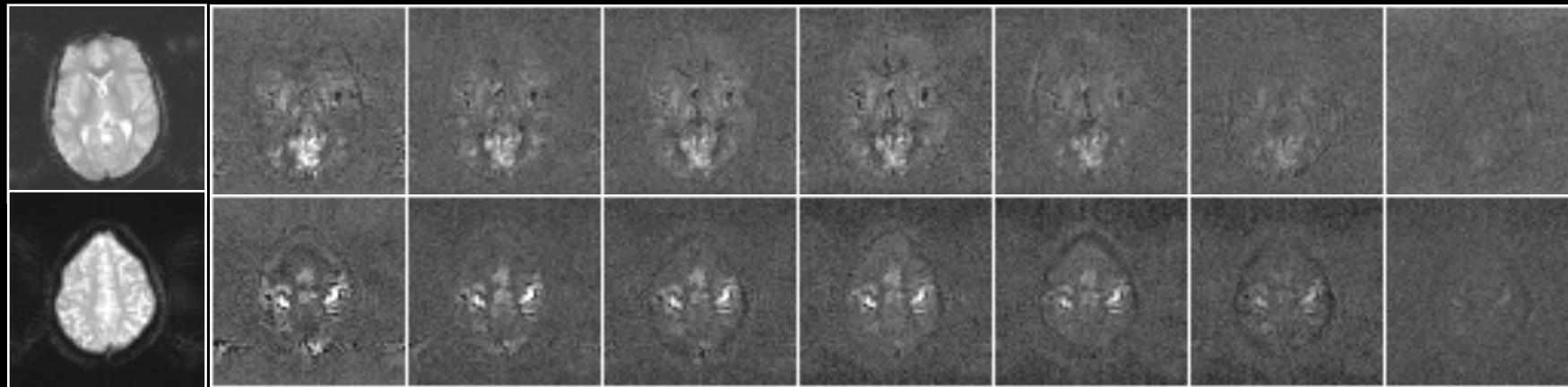
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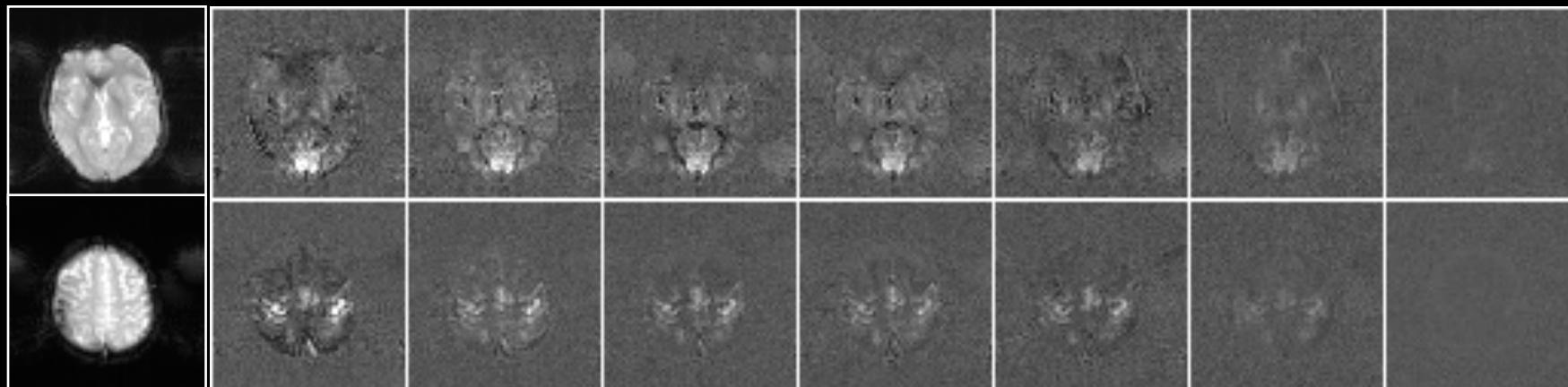
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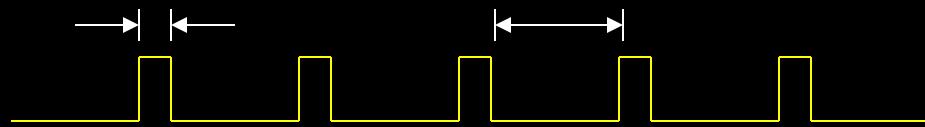


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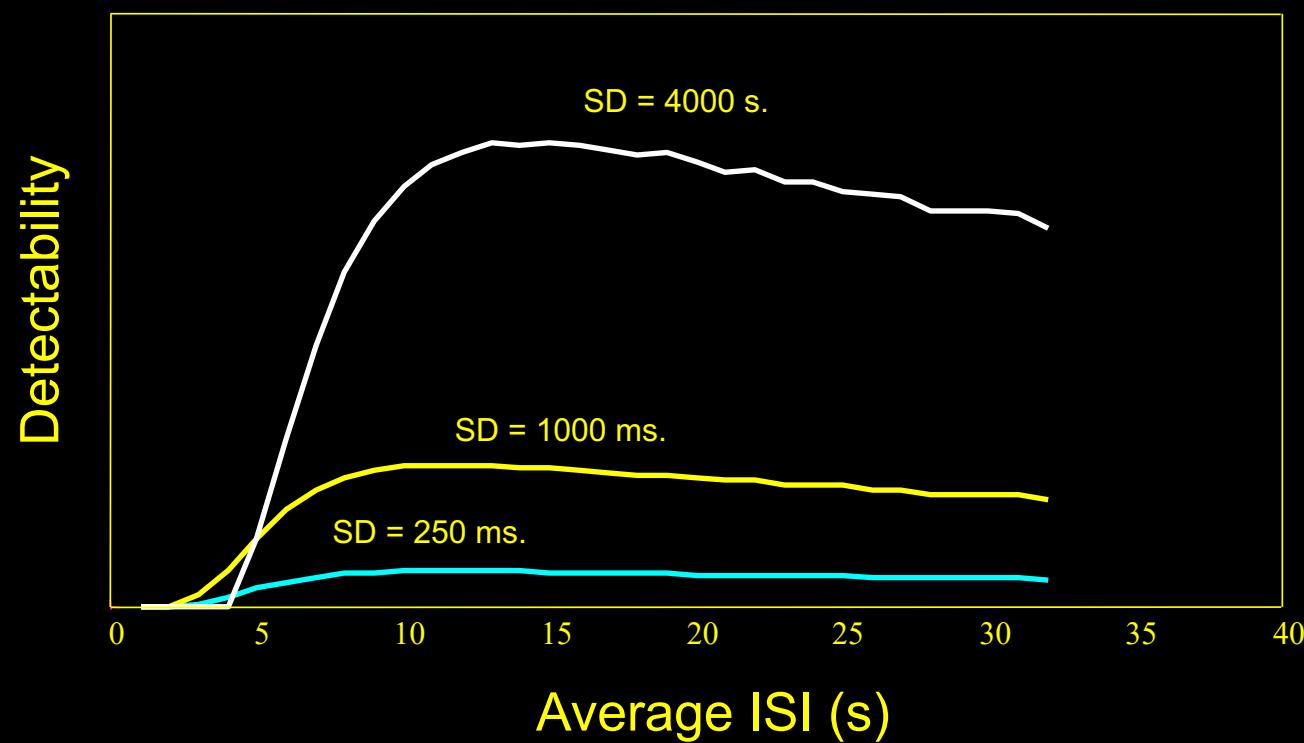


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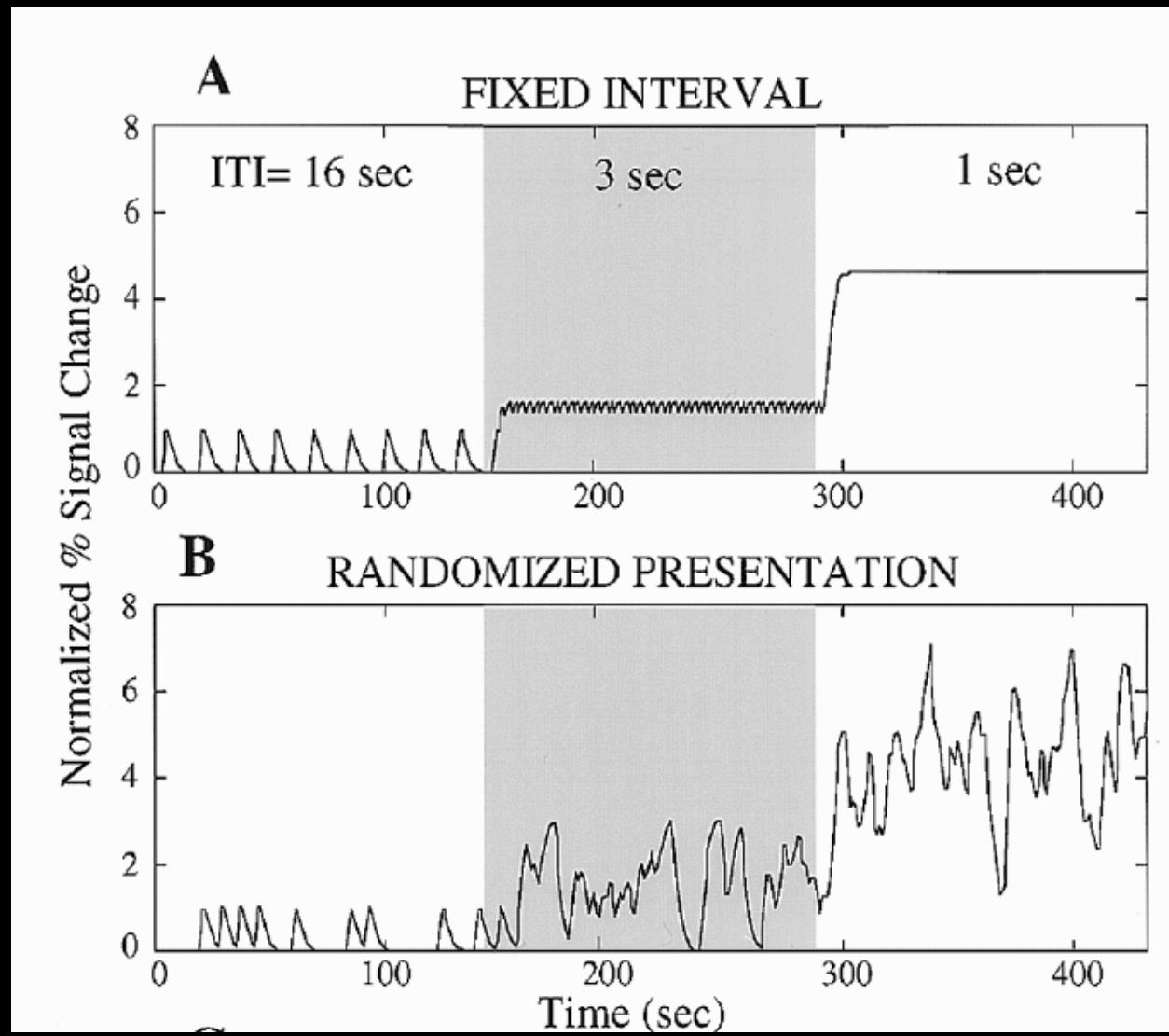
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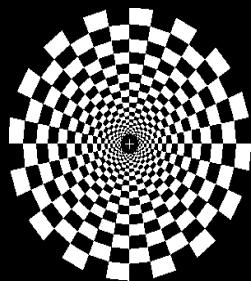
ISI – inter-stimulus interval



M.A. Burock et al. *NeuroReport*, 9, 3735-9 (1998)

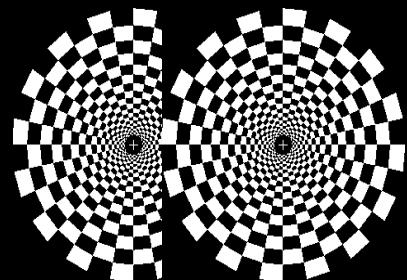


Visual Activation Paradigm: 1 , 2, & 3 Trials



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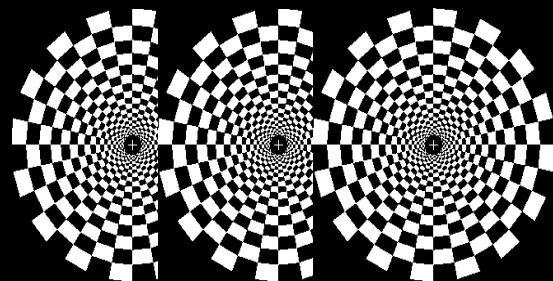
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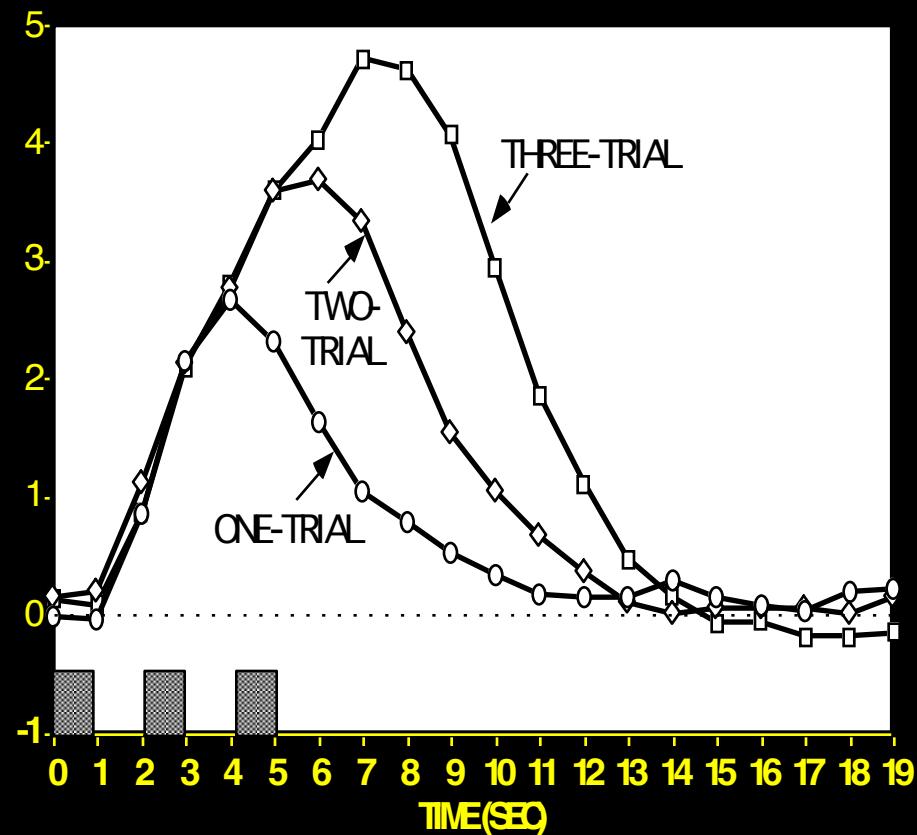
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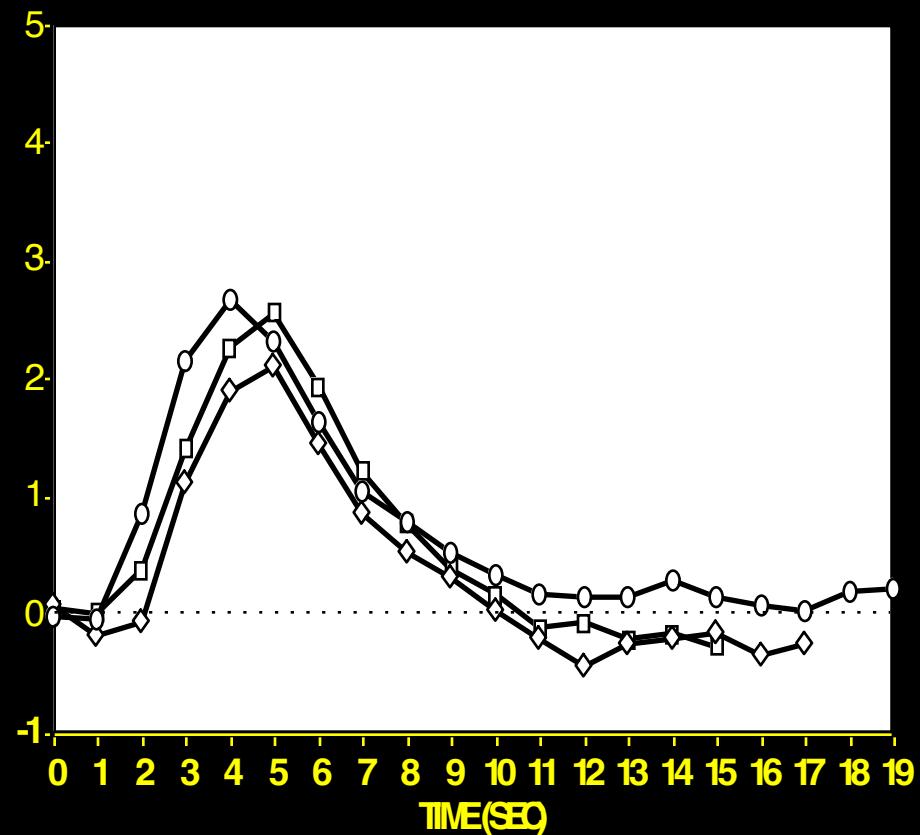
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Response to Multiple Trials: Subject RW

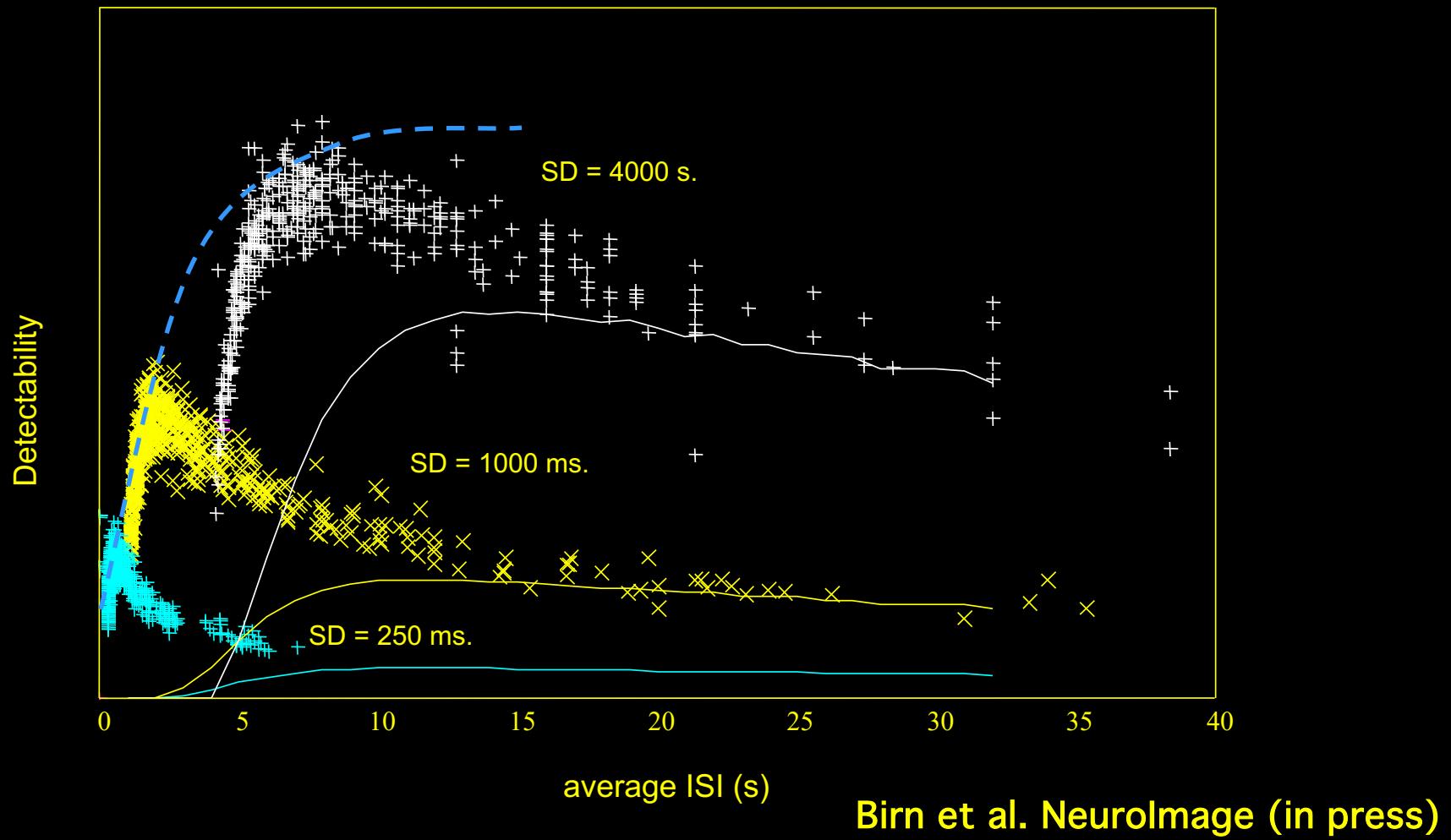
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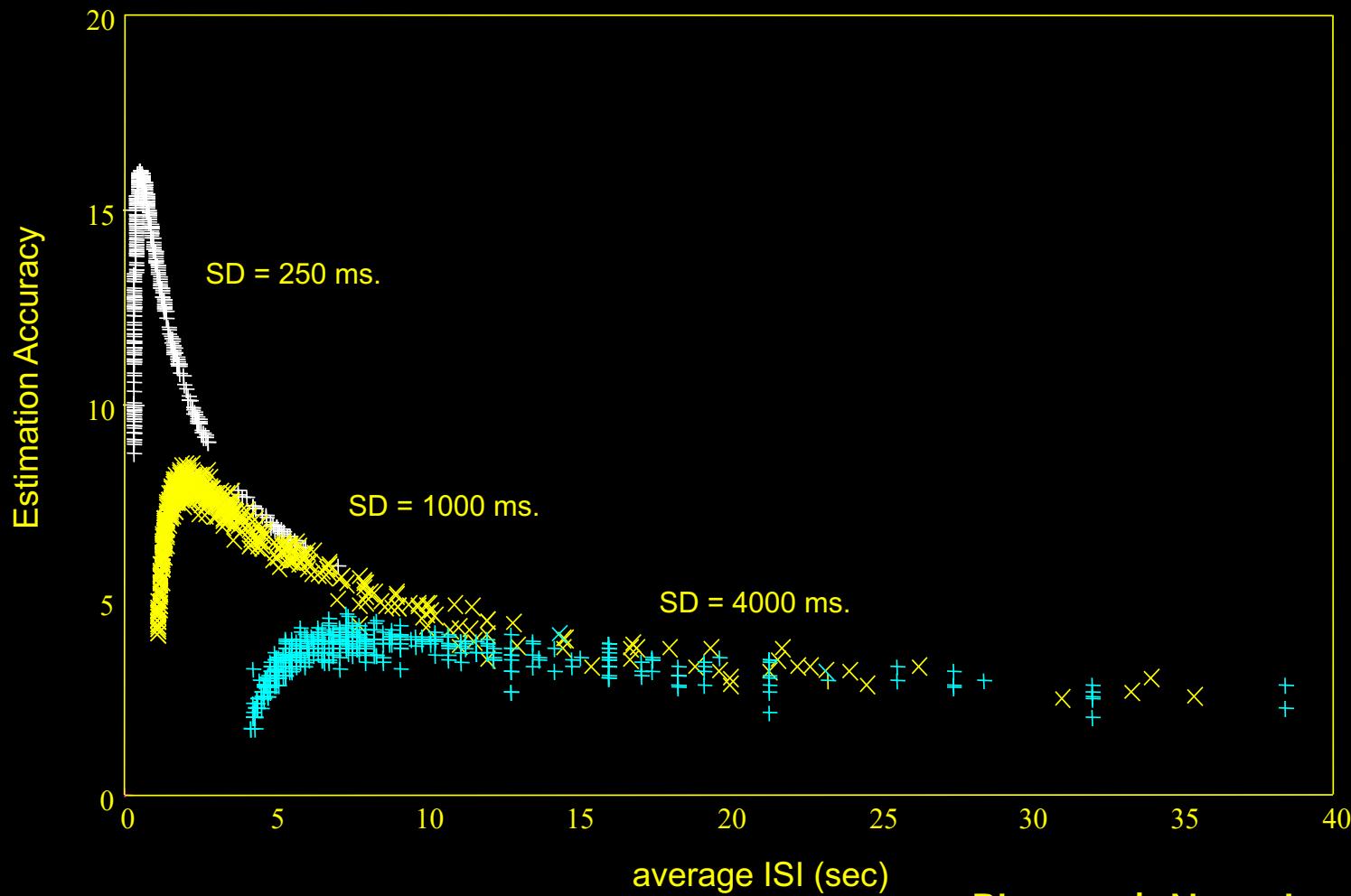
ESTIMATED RESPONSES



Detectability vs. Average ISI



Estimation accuracy vs. average ISI



Neuronal Activation Input Strategies

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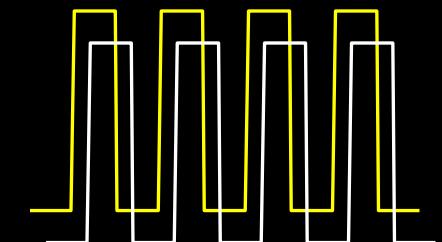
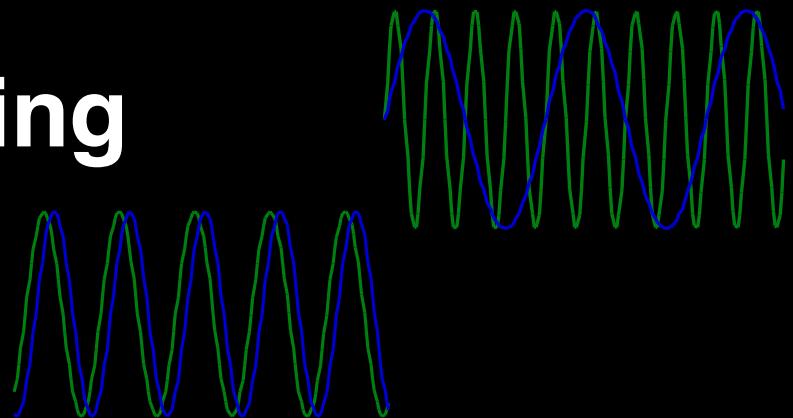
2. Frequency Encoding

3. Phase Encoding

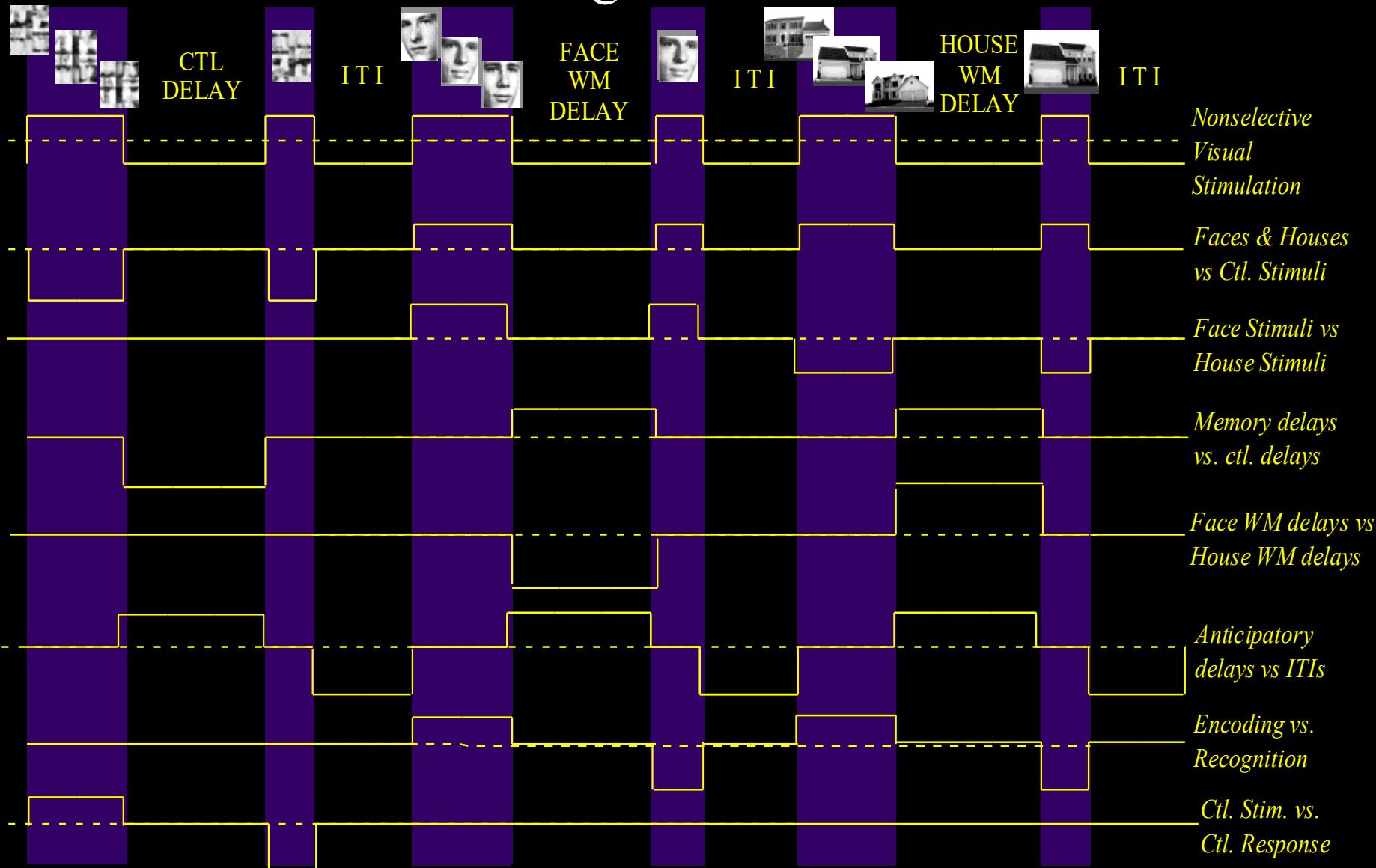
4. Event Related

5. Orthogonal Block Design

6. Free behavior Design



Example of a Set of Orthogonal Contrasts for Multiple Regression



Neuronal Activation Input Strategies

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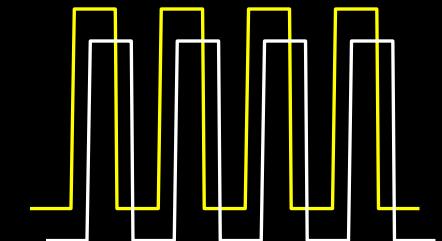
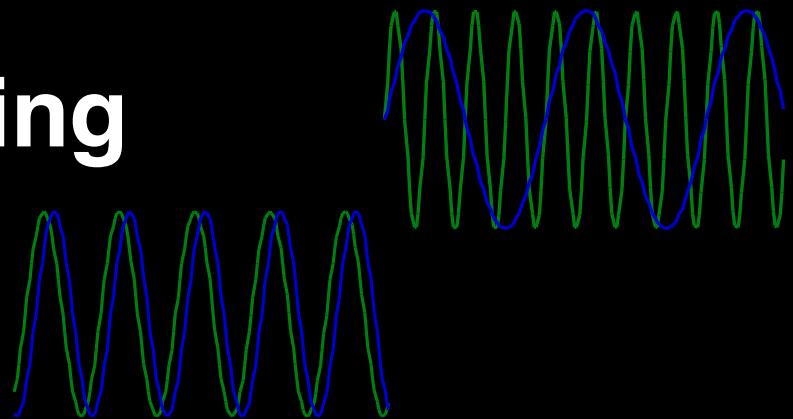
2. Frequency Encoding

3. Phase Encoding

4. Single Event

5. Orthogonal Block Design

6. Free Behavior Design.

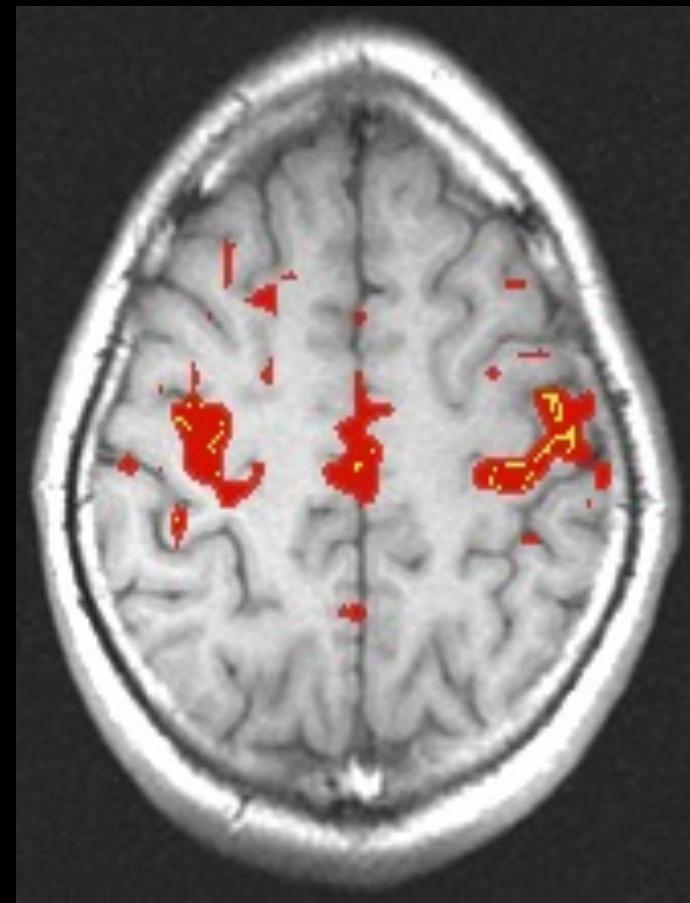
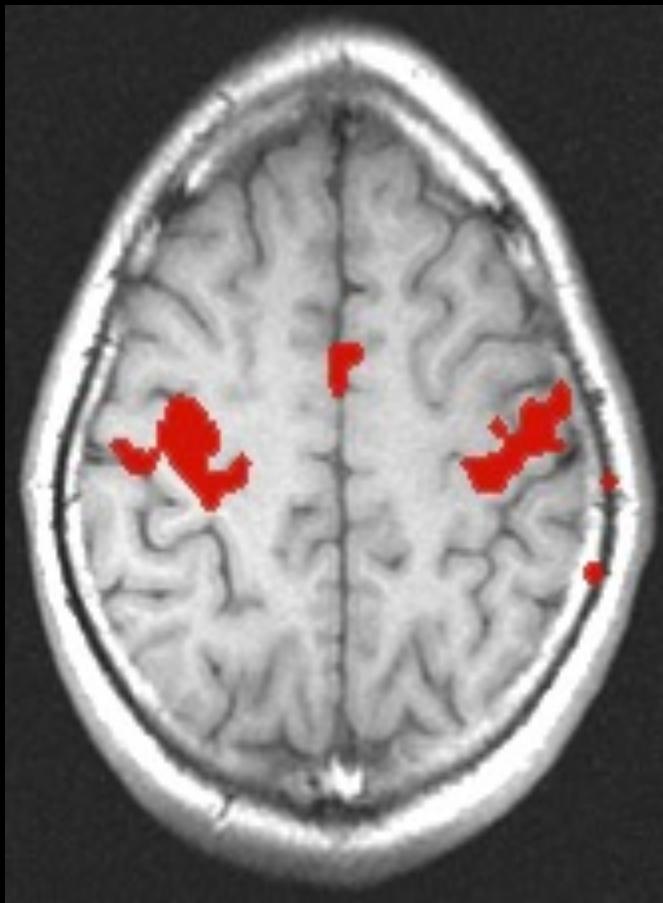


Free Behavior Design

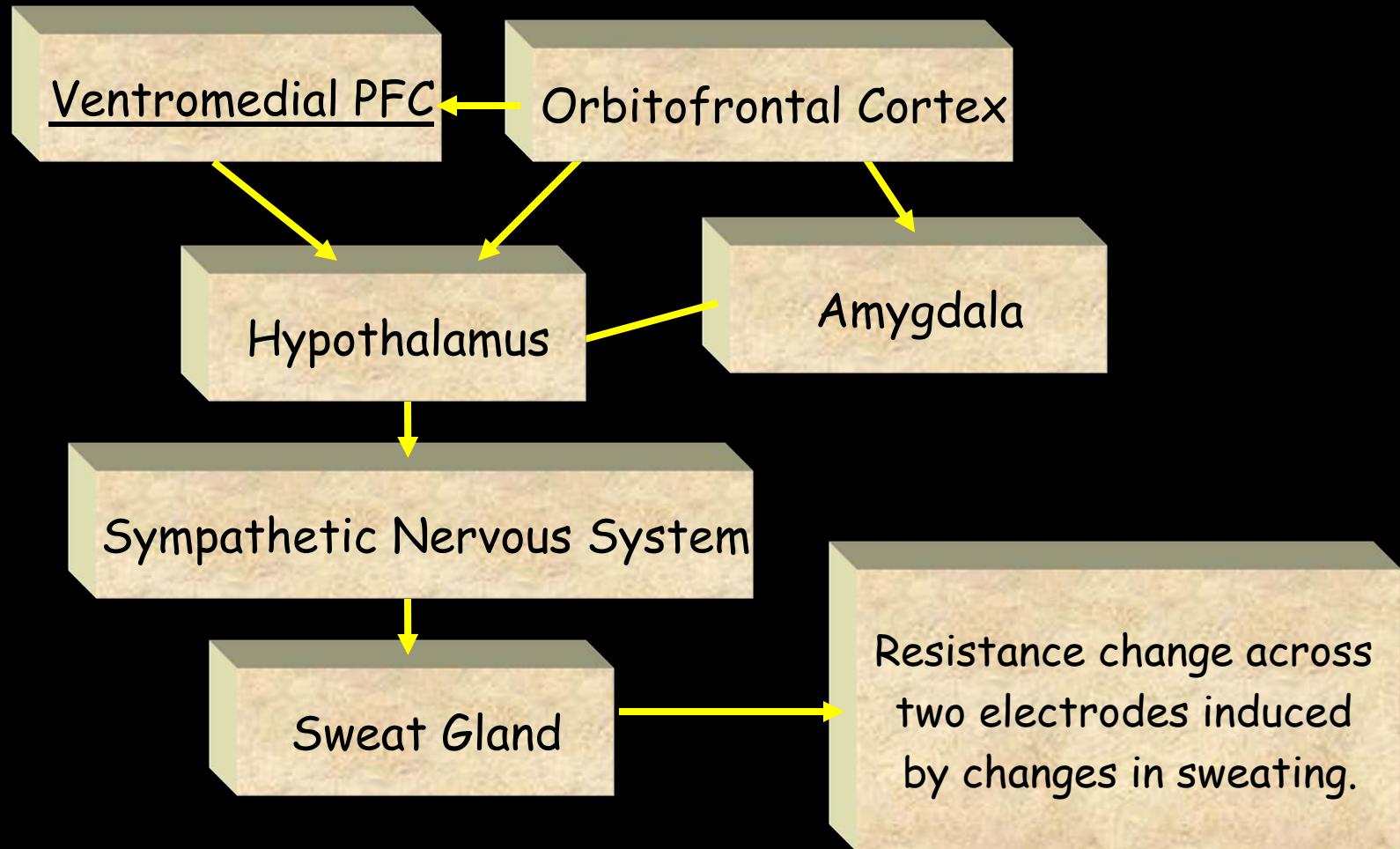
Use a continuous measure as a reference function:

- Task performance
- Skin Conductance
- Heart, respiration rate..
- Eye position
- EEG

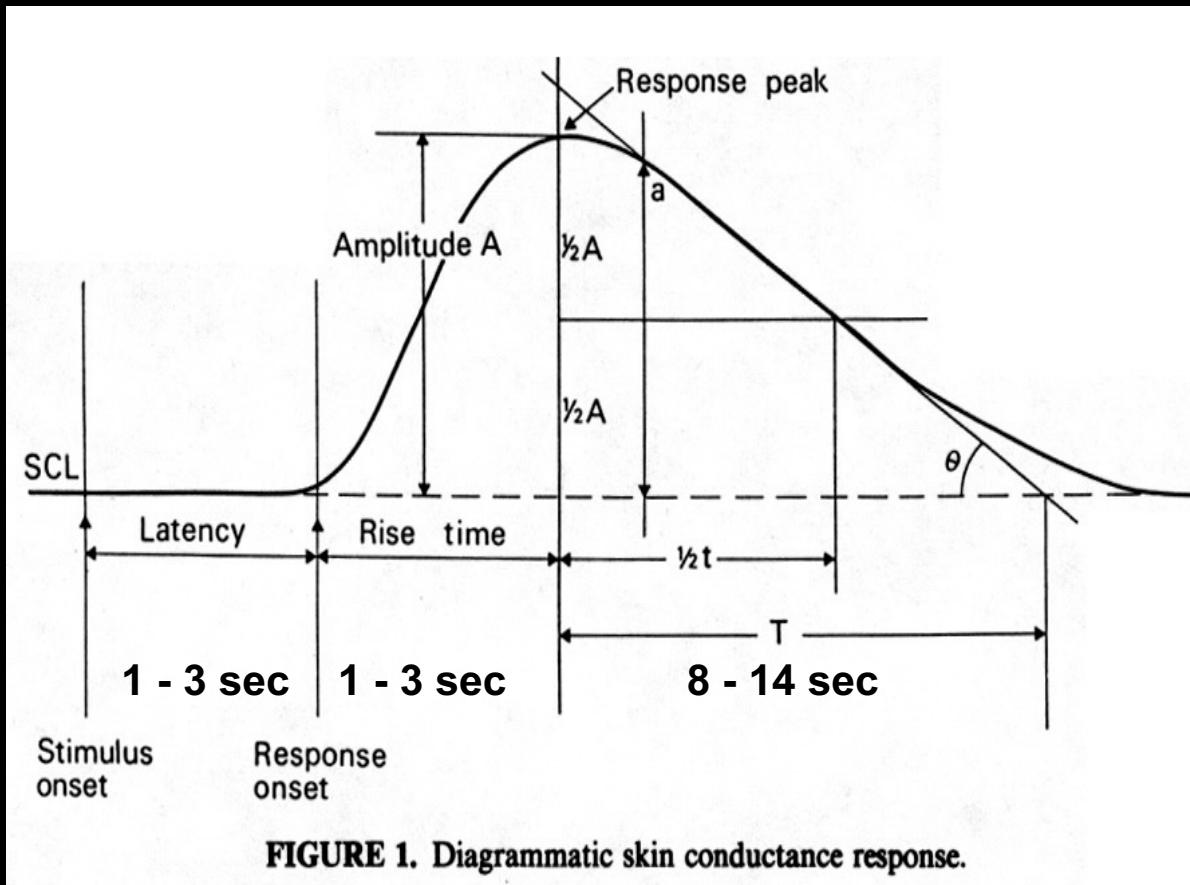
Resting Hemodynamic Autocorrelations



The Skin Conductance Response (SCR)

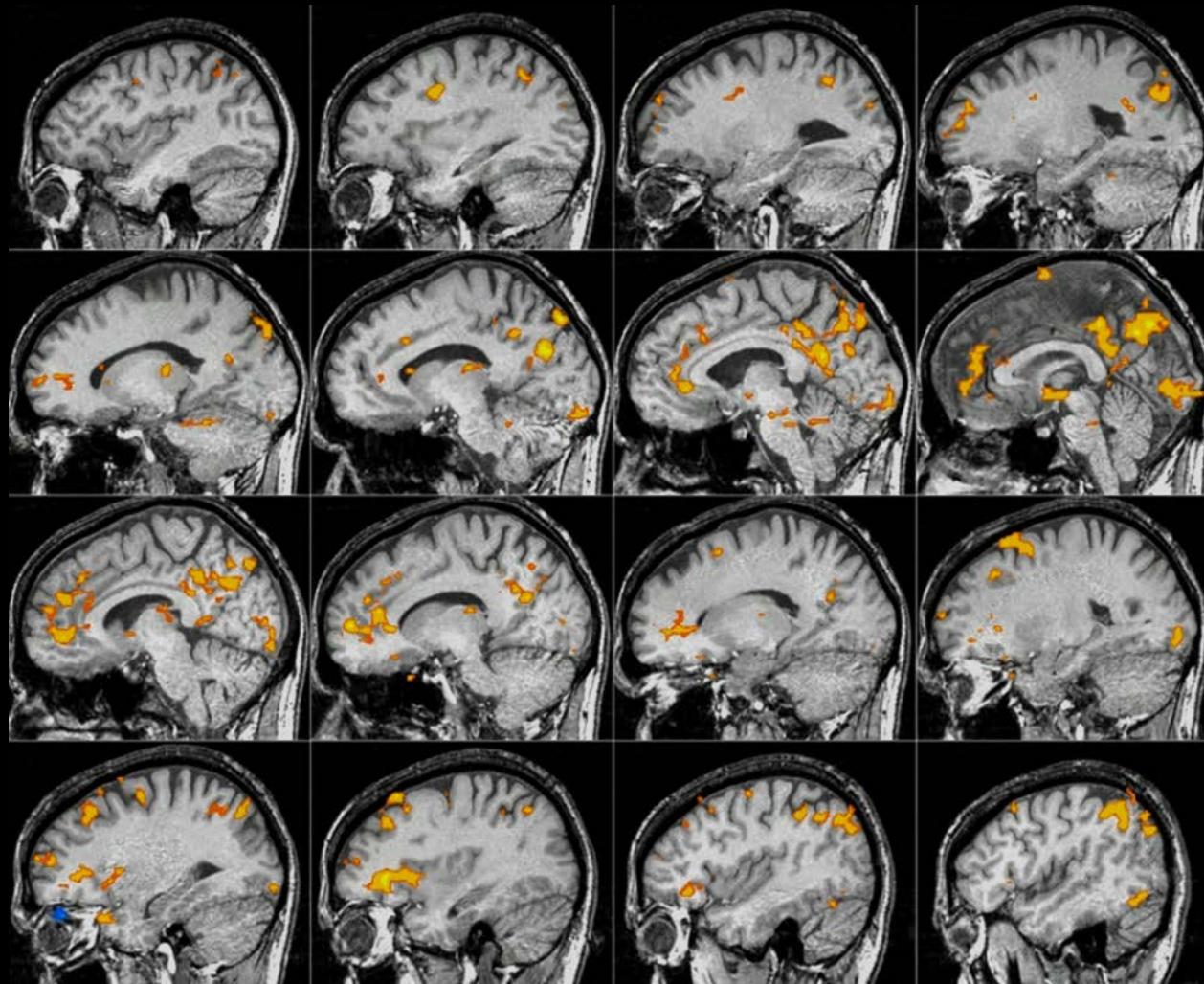


Skin Conductance Dynamics

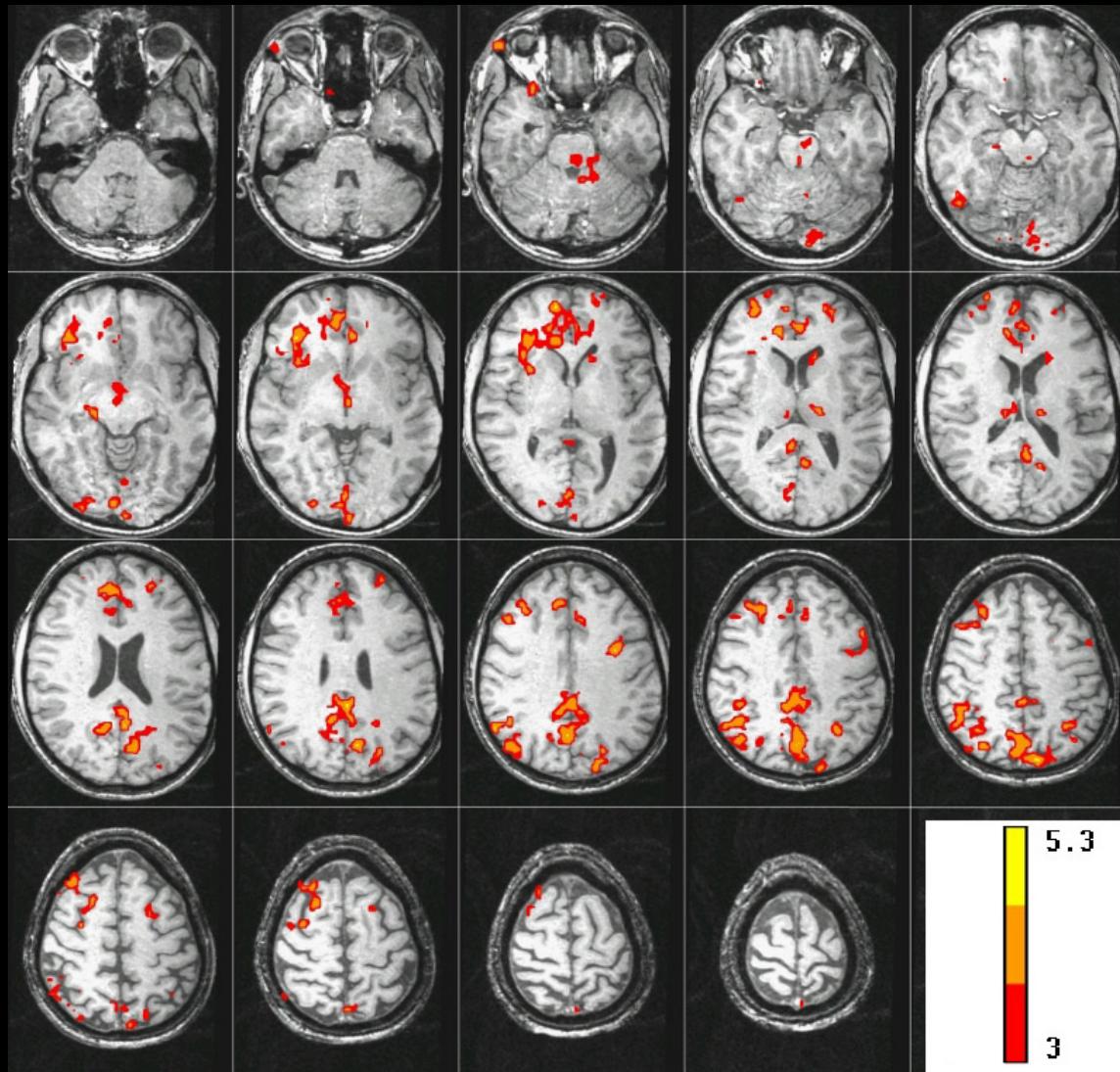


- Boucsein, Wolfram (1992). Electrodermal Activity. Plenum Press, NY
- Venables, Peter, (1991). Autonomic Activity ANYAS 620:191-207.

Brain activity correlated with SCR during “Rest”



Brain activity correlated with SCR during “Rest”



Variables to Optimize

- Information Content
- Sensitivity
- Speed
- Resolution
- Image quality

Speed

Temporal Resolution factors:

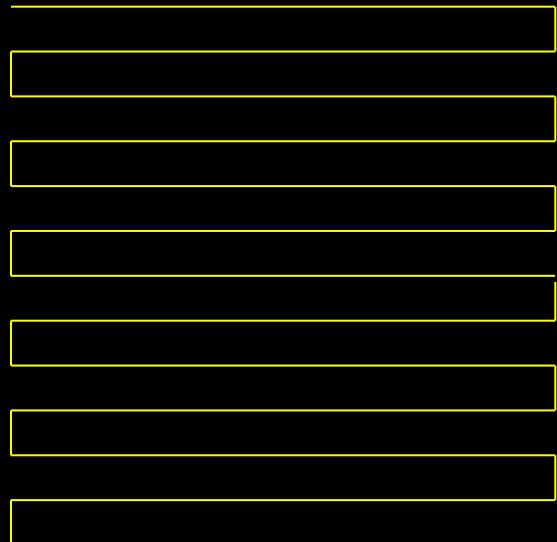
- Image acquisition rate
- Amount of signal averaging to make functional activation map
- Time for signal to deviate from baseline
- Fastest on-off rate in which amplitude is not compromised
- Fastest on-off rate in which hemodynamic response keeps up
- Minimum activation duration
- Standard deviation of hemodynamic response measures per voxel
- Range of latencies over space

Single Shot Imaging

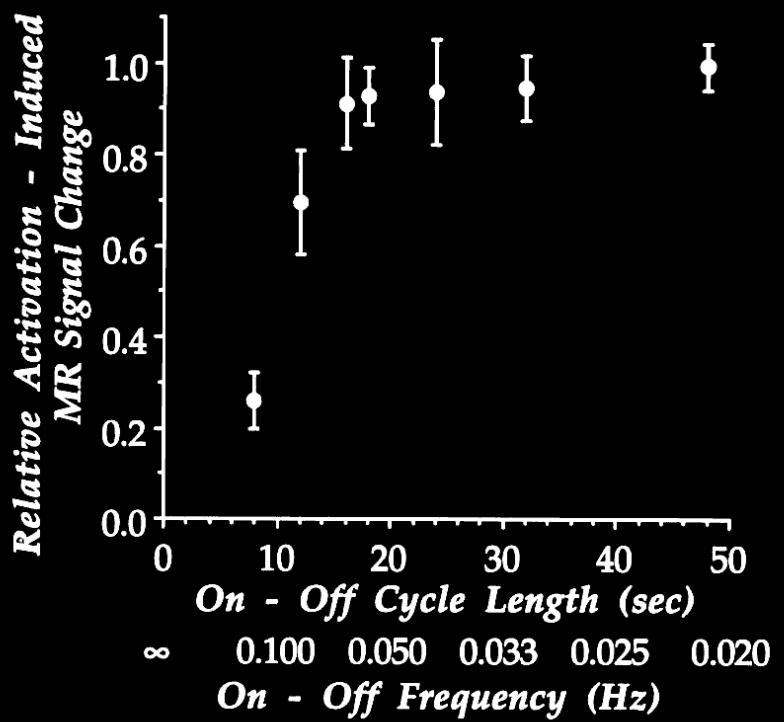
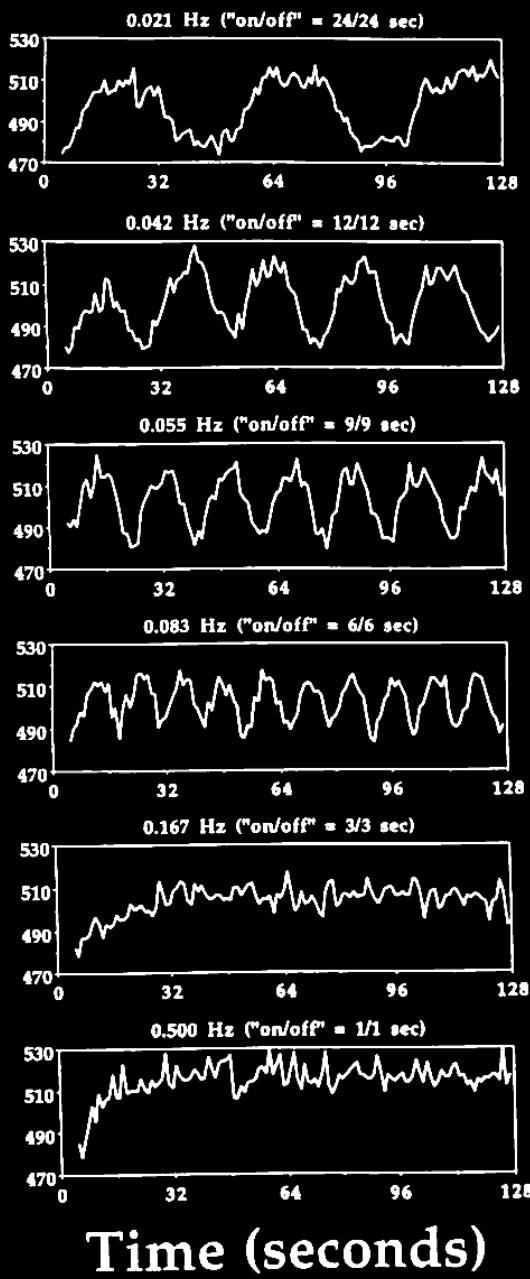


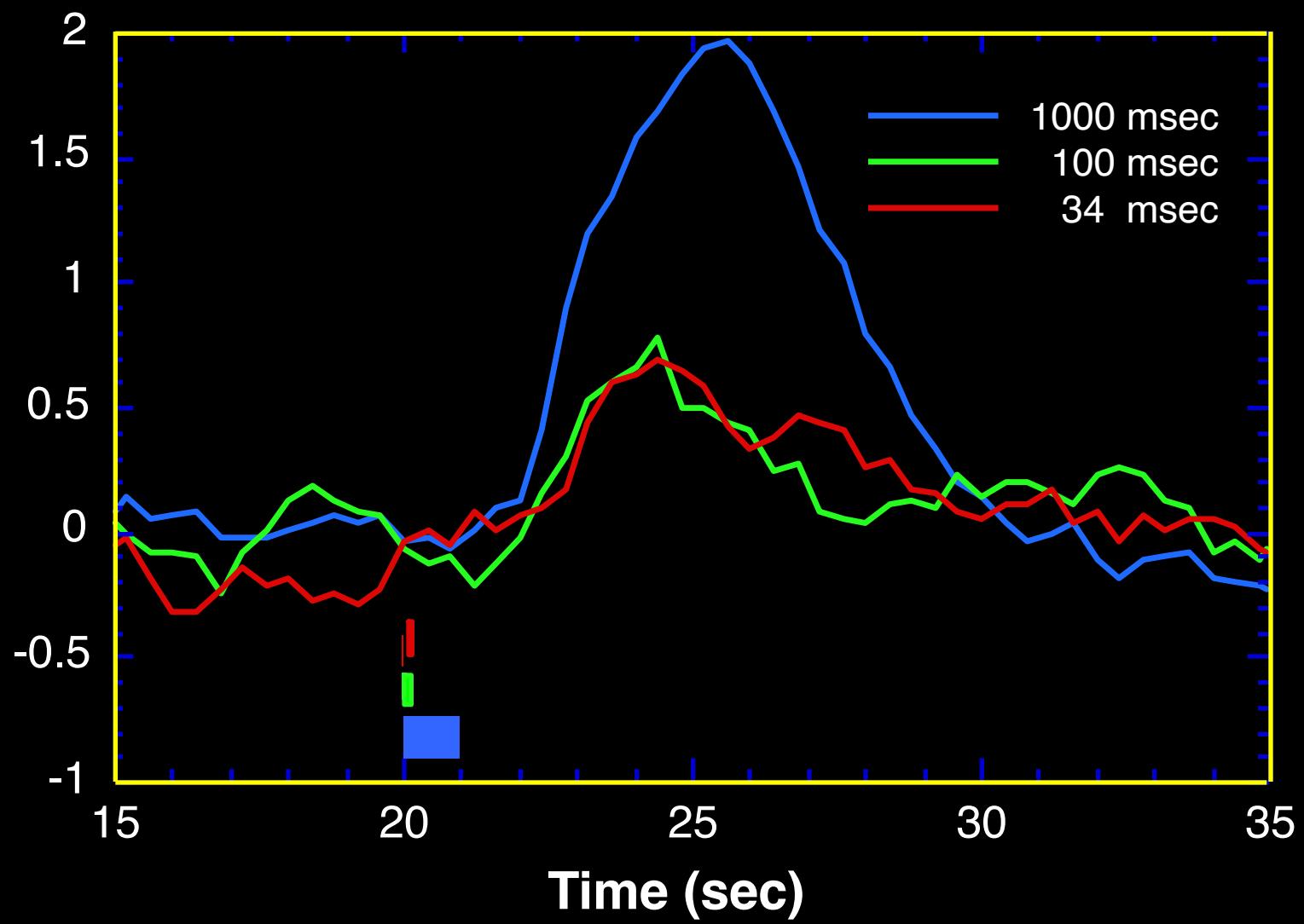
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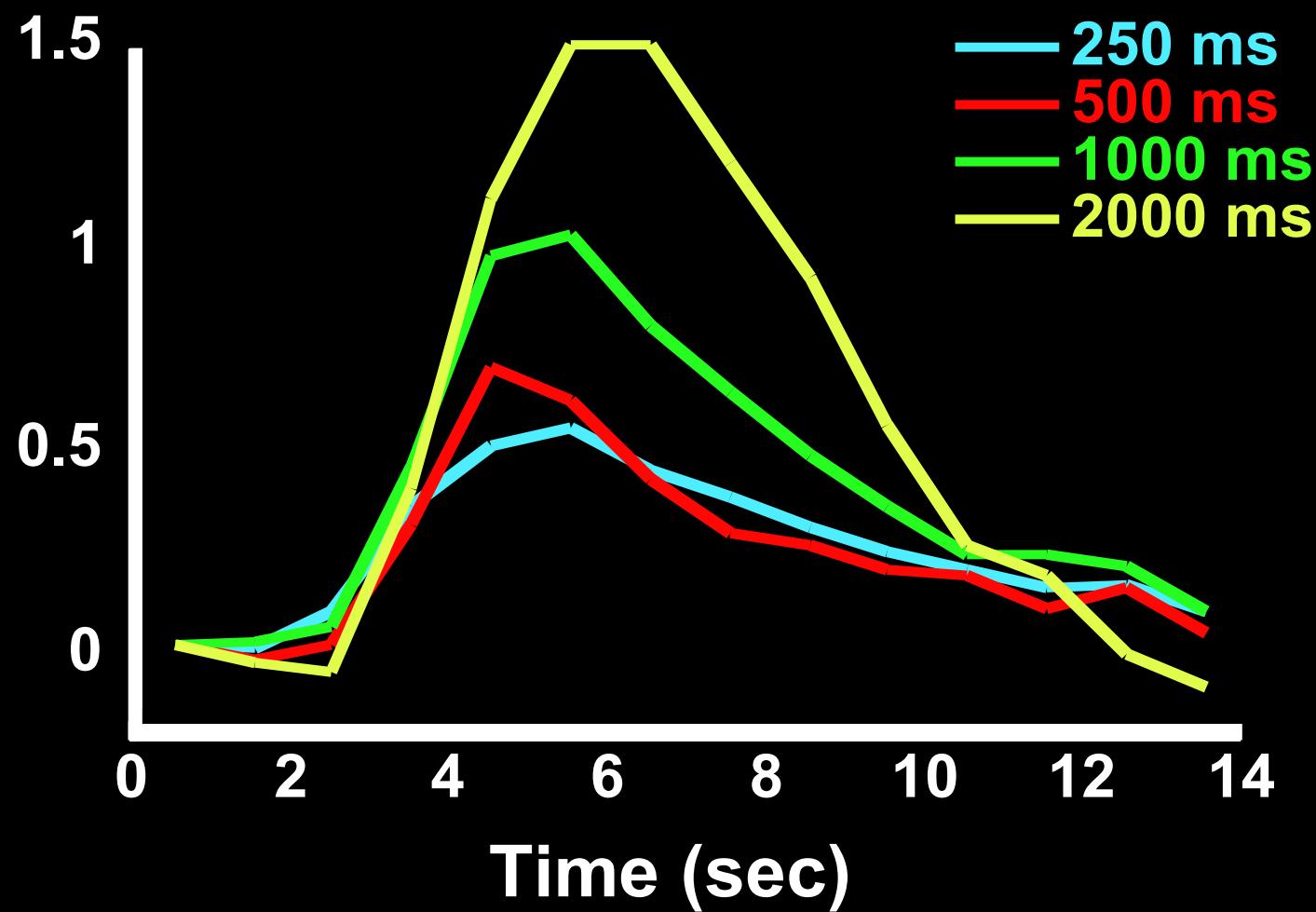
≈ 20 to 40 ms



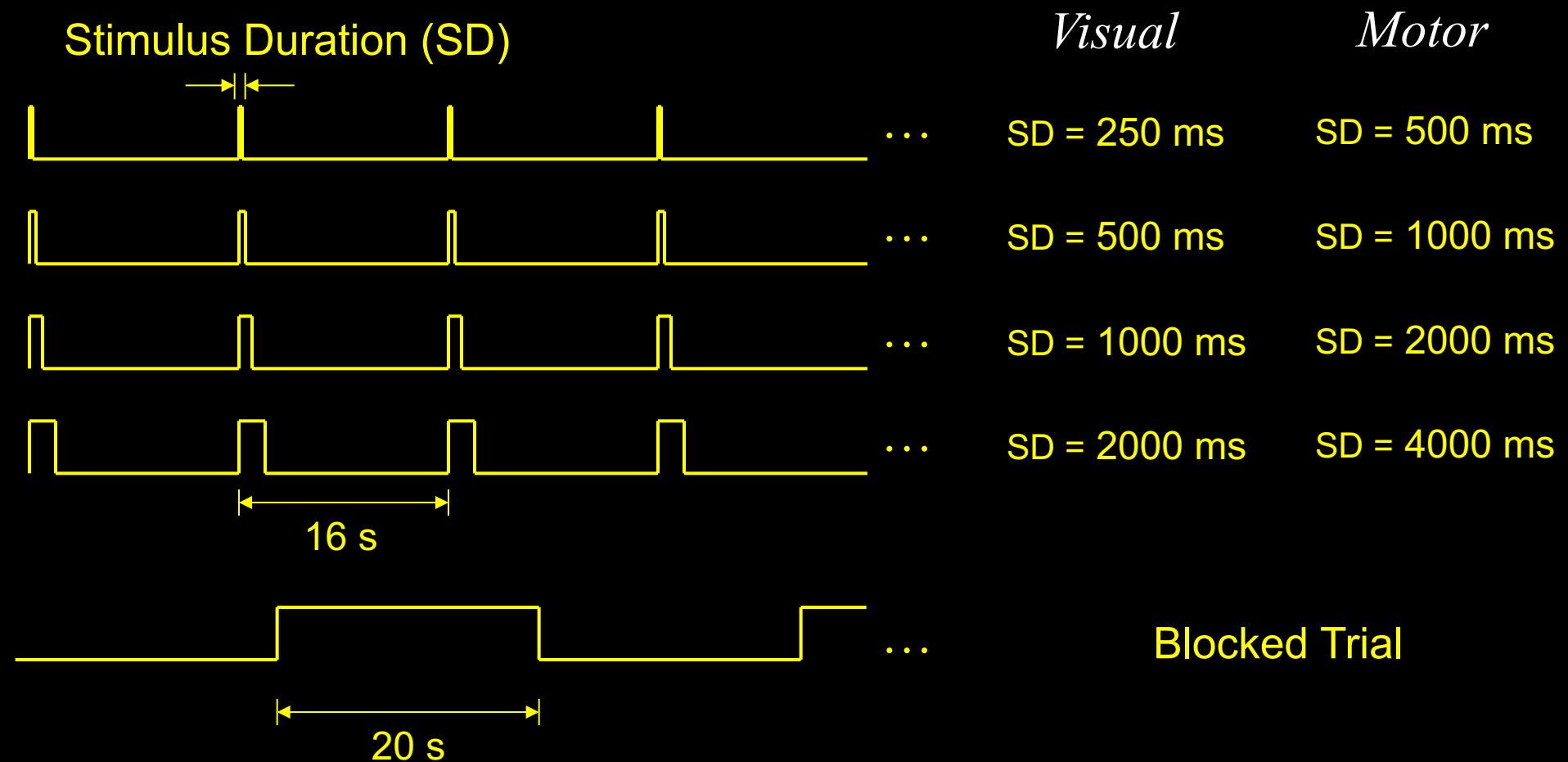
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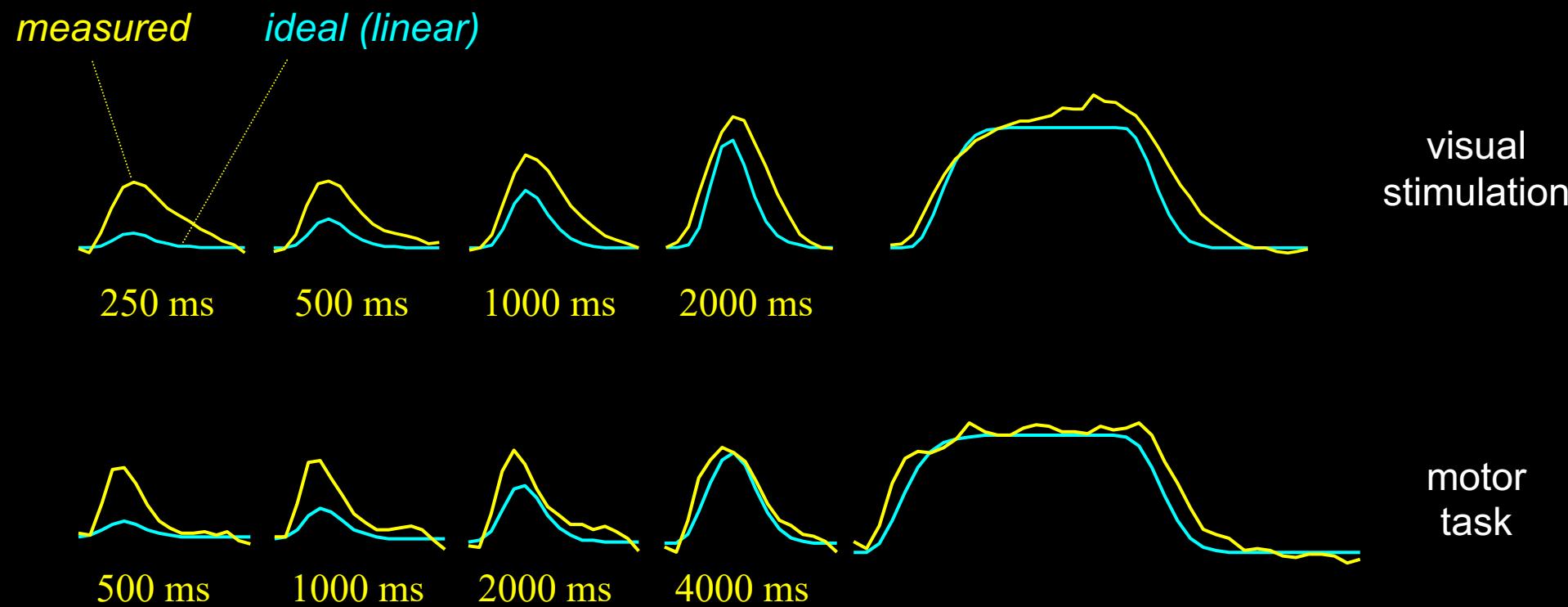




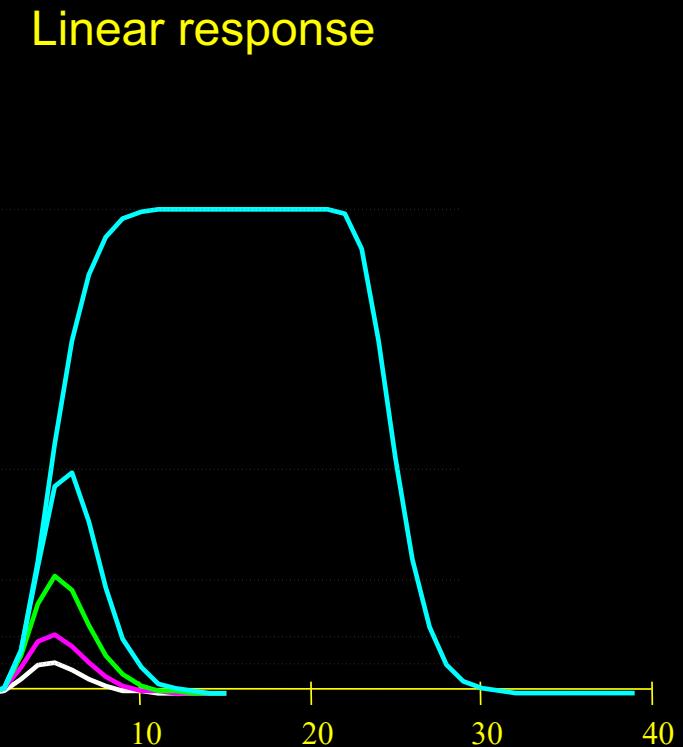
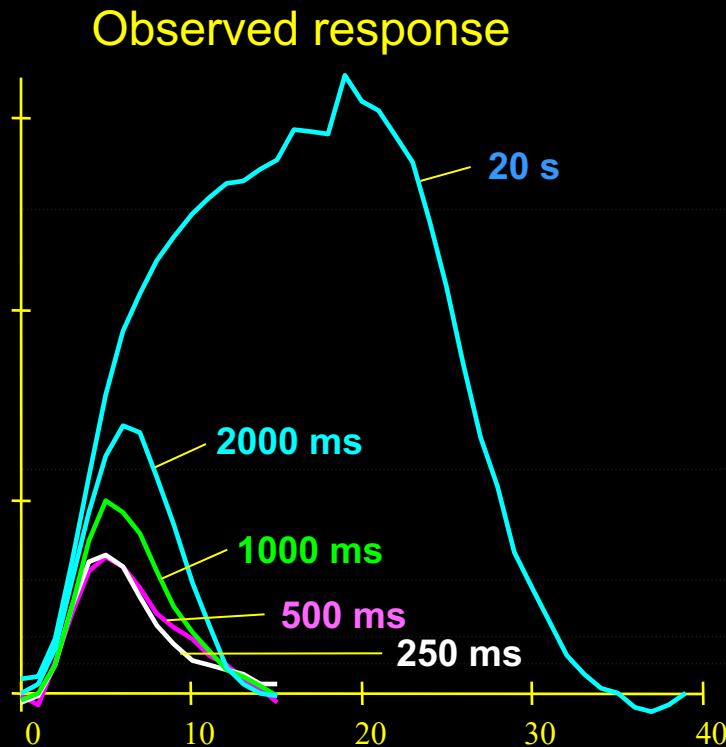
Methods



Observed Responses



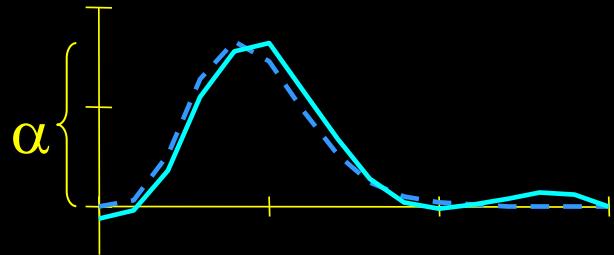
BOLD response is nonlinear



Short duration stimuli produce larger responses than expected

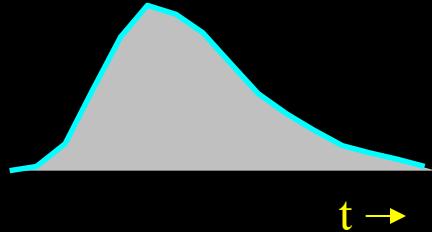
Compute nonlinearity (*for each voxel*)

- Amplitude of Response



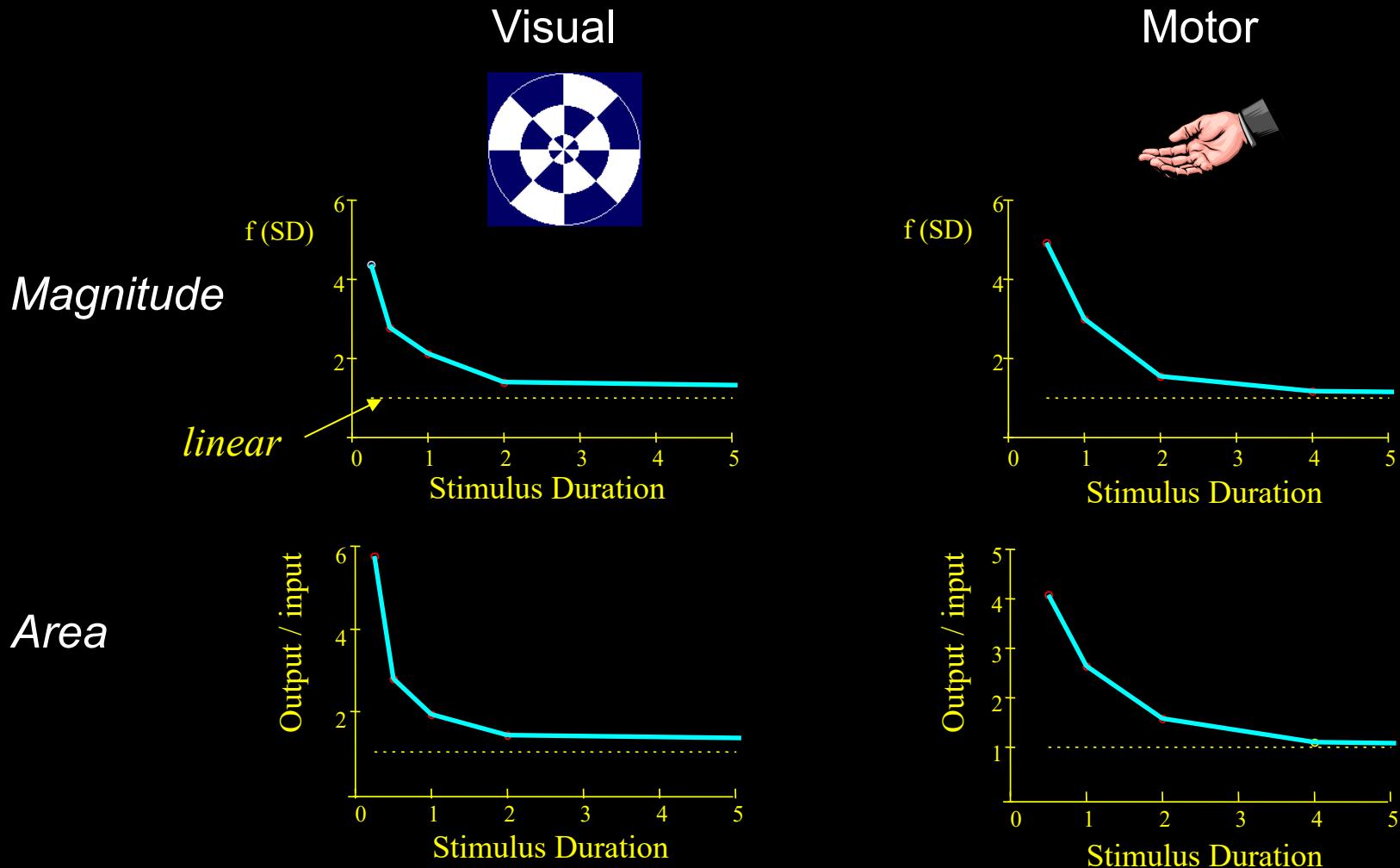
Fit ideal (linear) to response

- Area under response / Stimulus Duration

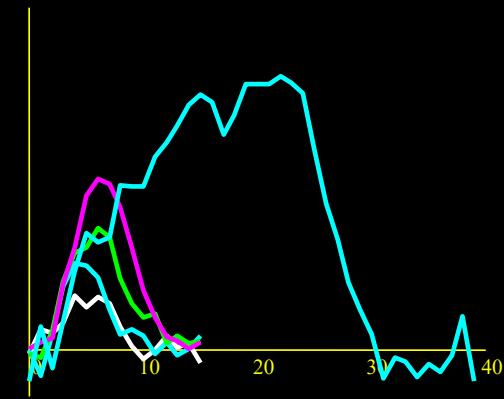
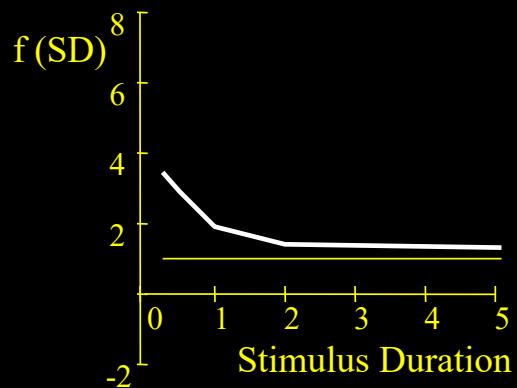
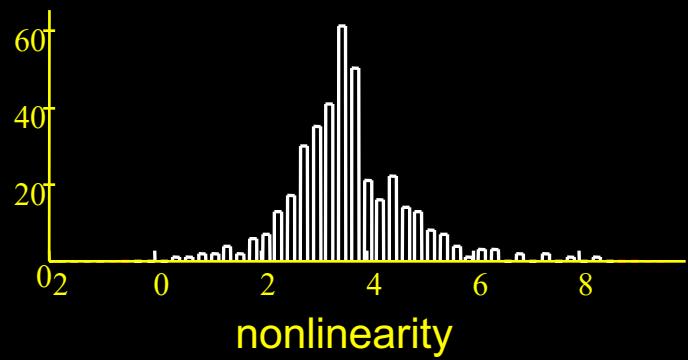
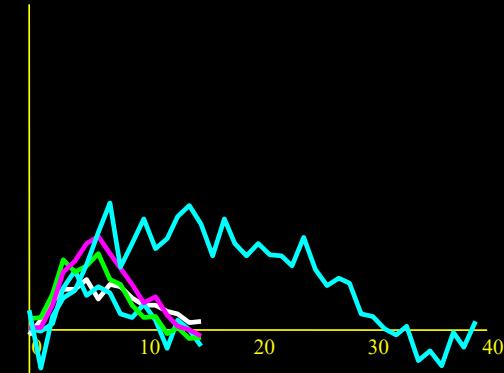
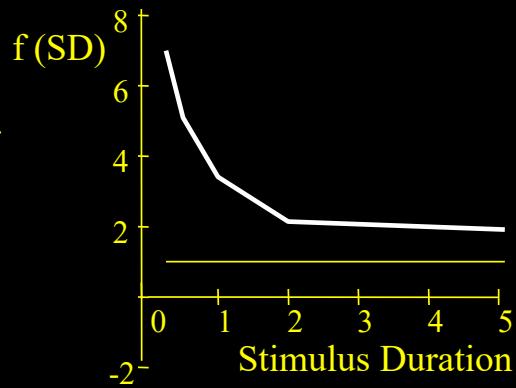
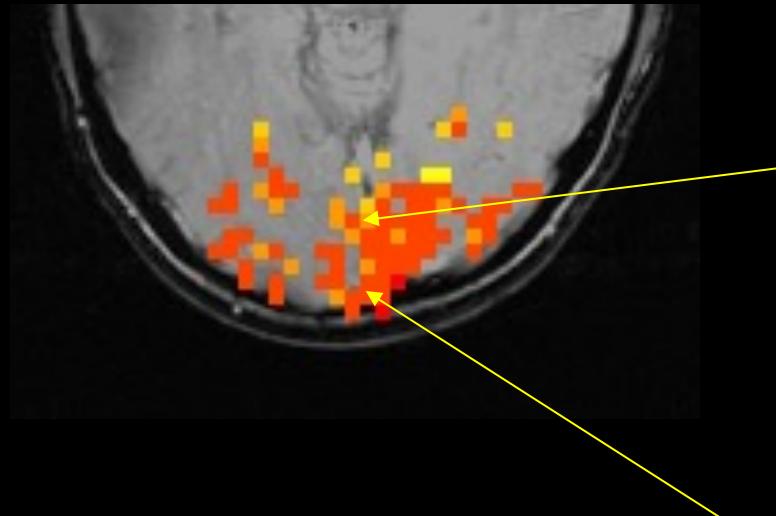


Output Area / Input Area

Nonlinearity

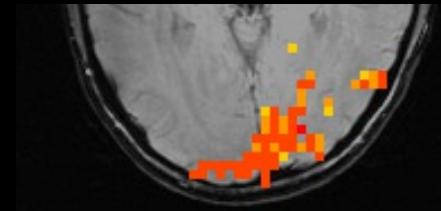
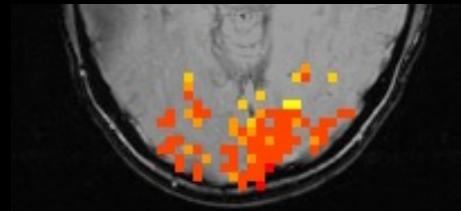
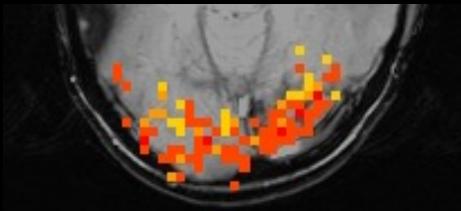


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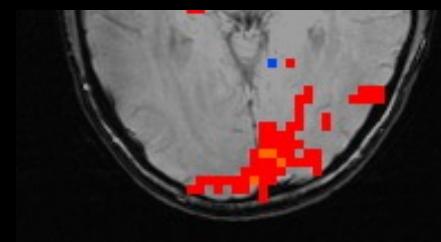
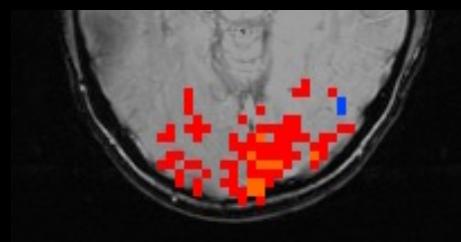
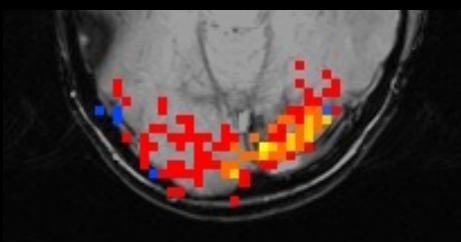


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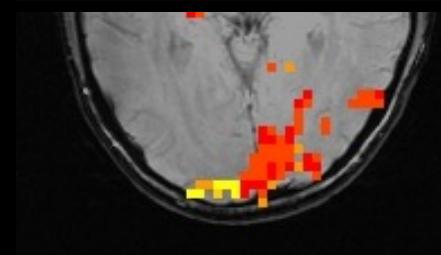
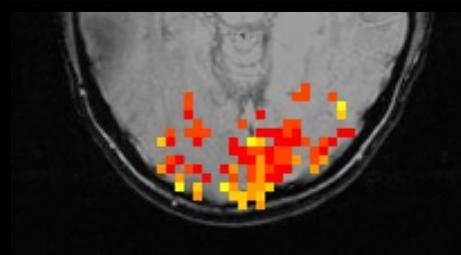
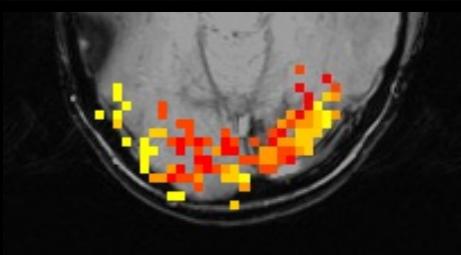
Nonlinearity



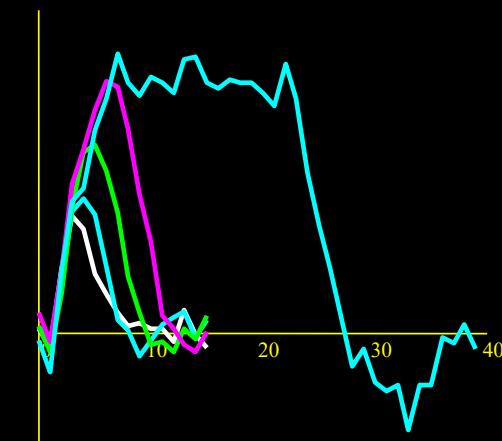
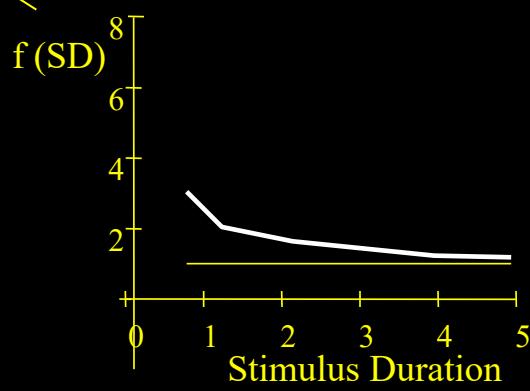
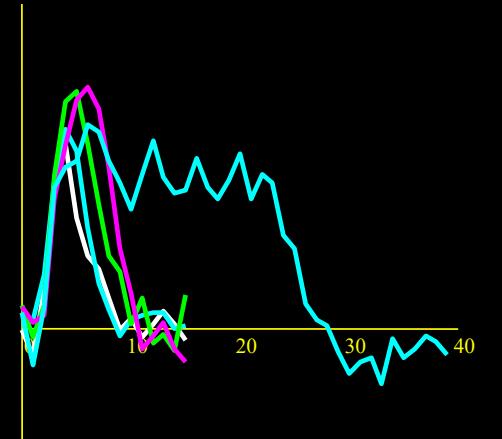
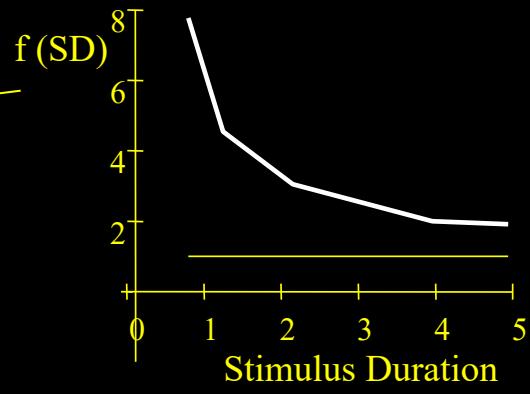
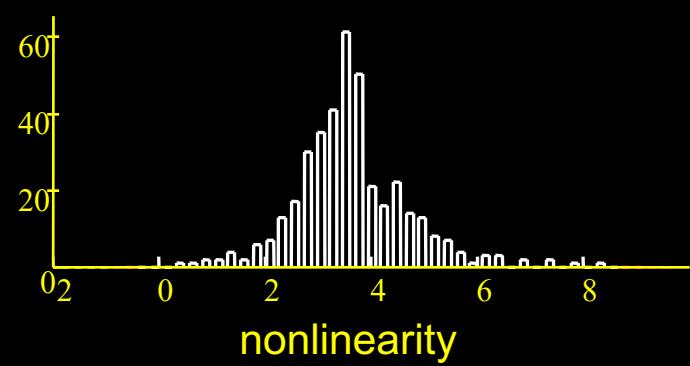
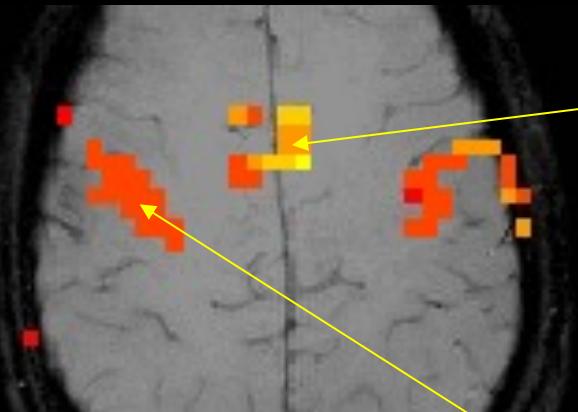
Magnitude



Latency

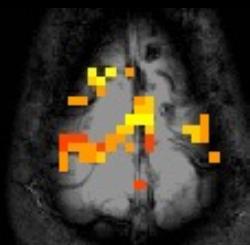
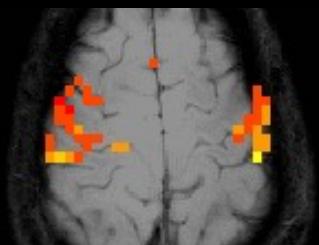
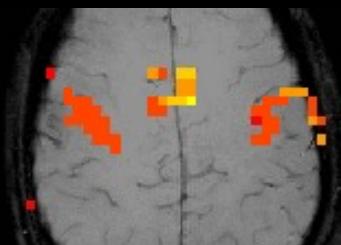


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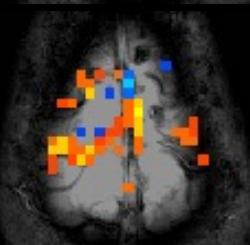
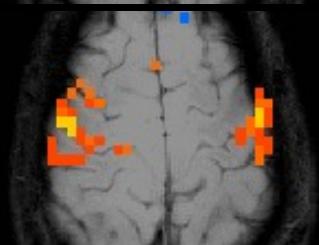
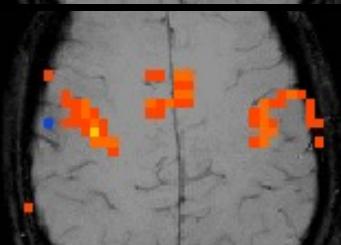


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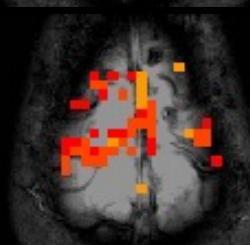
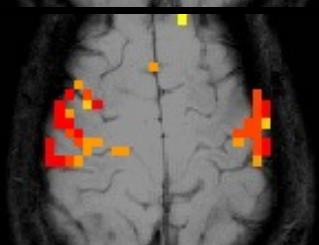
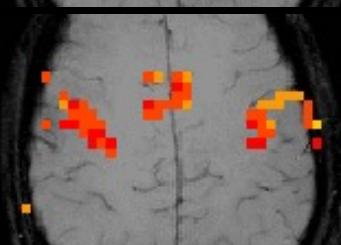
Nonlinearity



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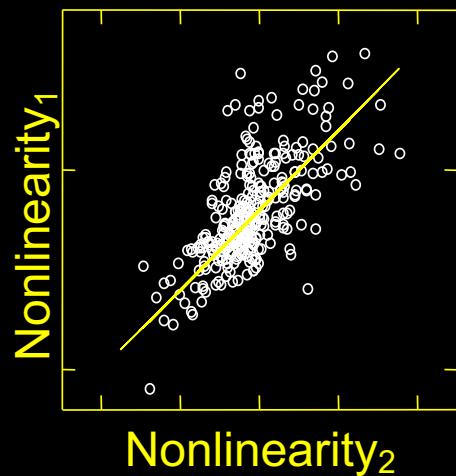


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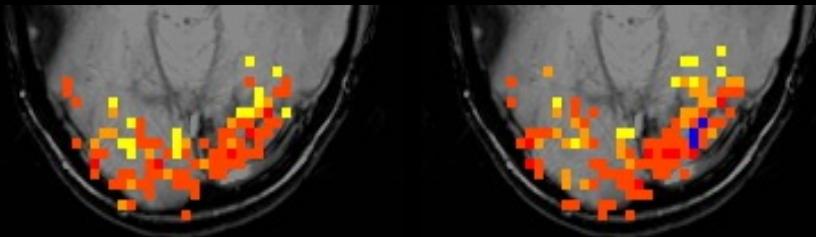
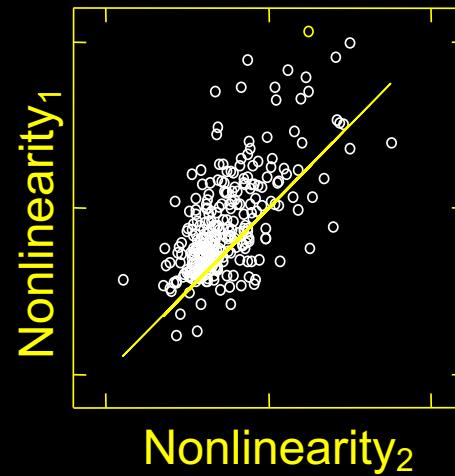


Reproducibility

Visual task

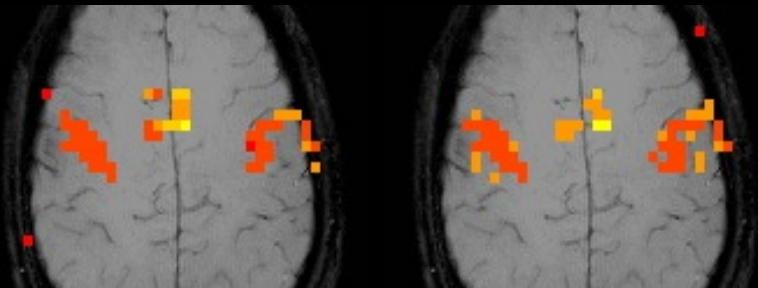


Motor task



Experiment 1

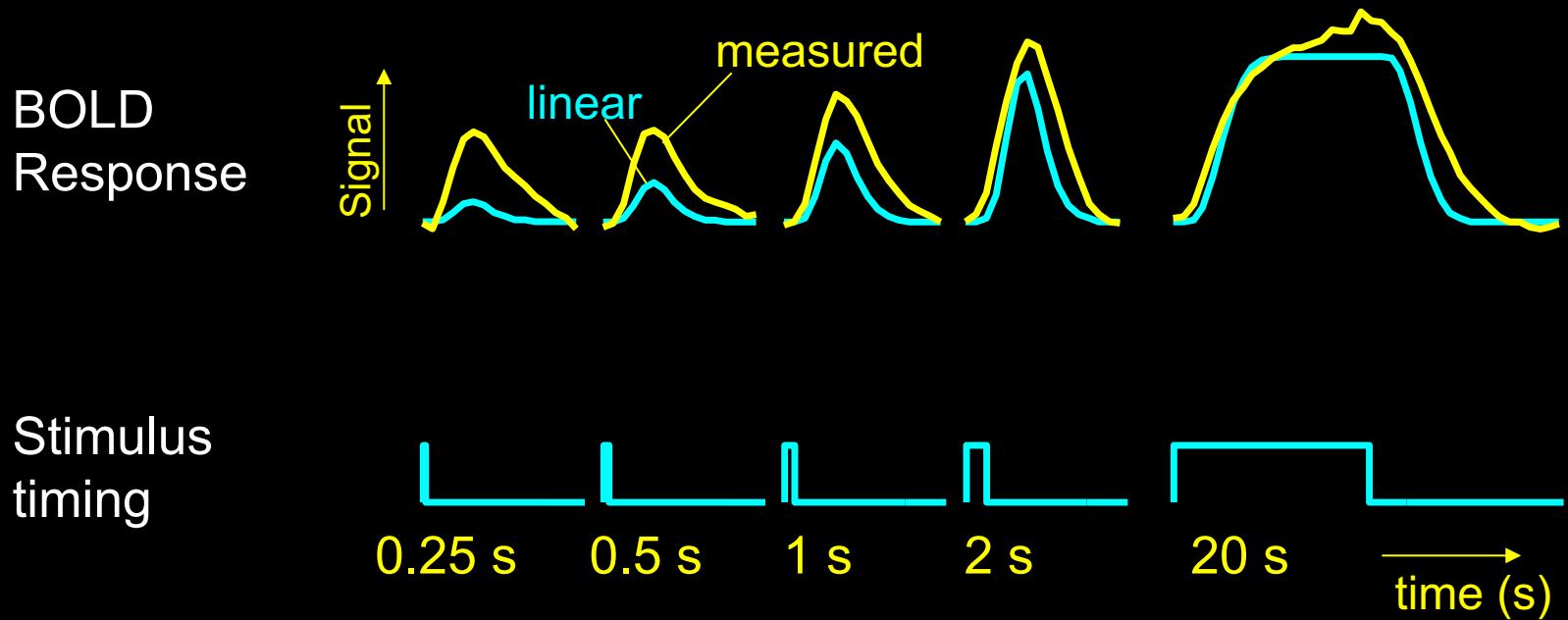
Experiment 2



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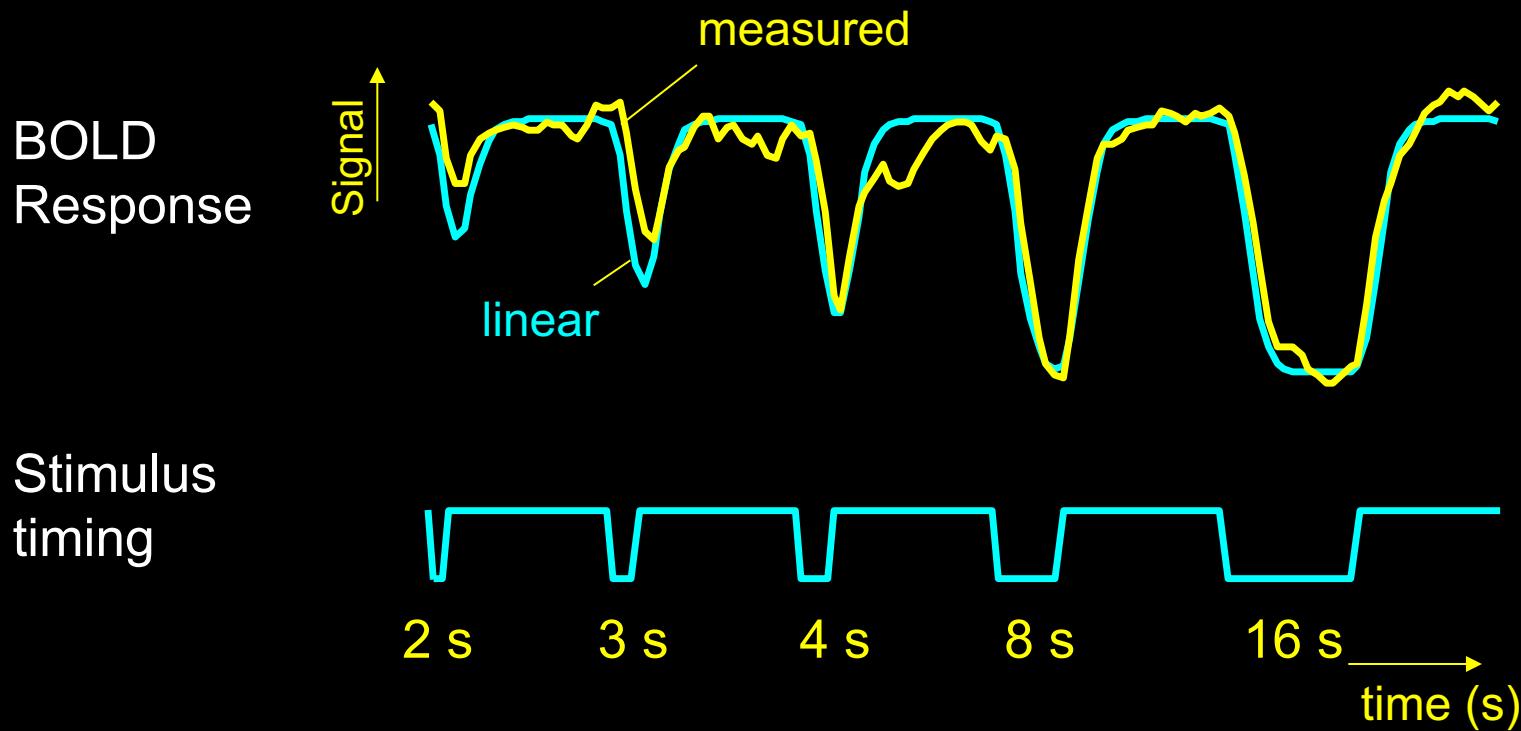
Experiment 2

Different stimulus “ON” periods



Brief stimuli produce larger responses than expected

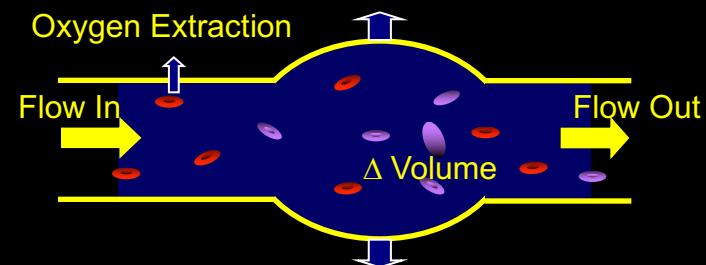
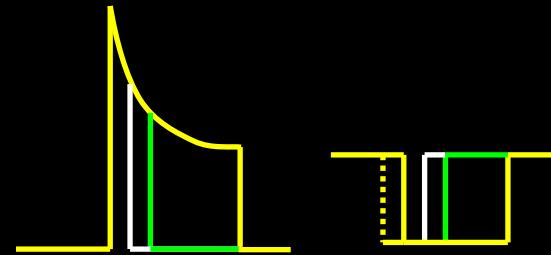
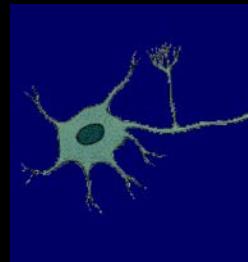
Different stimulus “ON” periods



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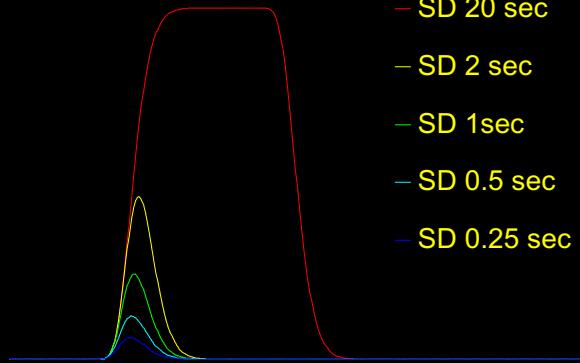
Sources of this Nonlinearity

- Neuronal
- Hemodynamic
 - Oxygen extraction
 - Blood volume dynamics

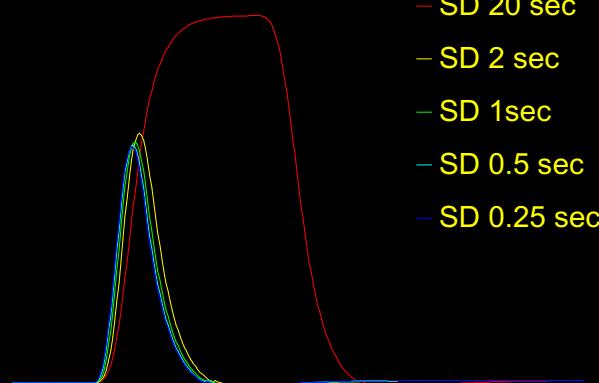


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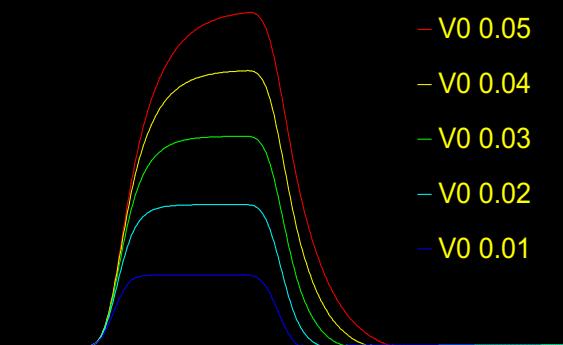
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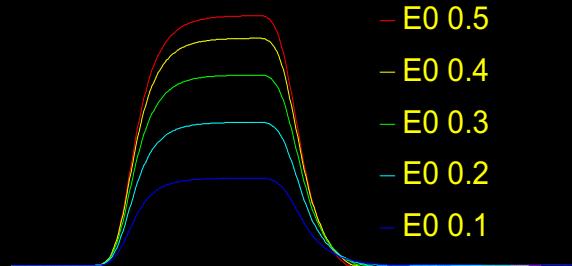
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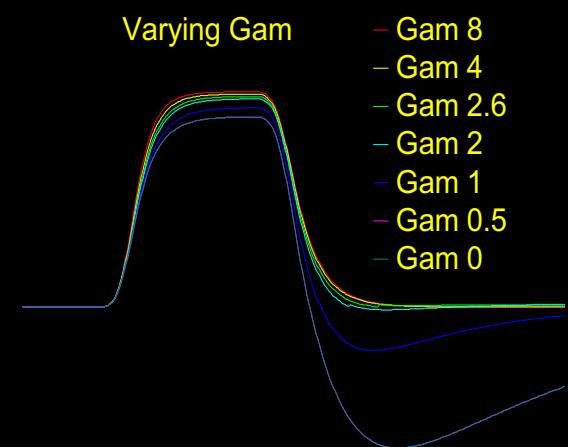
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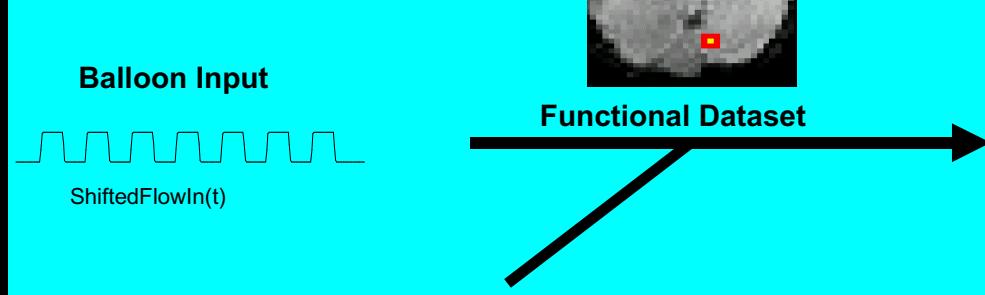
Varying E0



Varying Gam



Overview



Balloon Model Equations

$$\frac{\Delta S}{S} = V_0 [(k1 + k2)(1 - q(t)) - (k2 + k3)(1 - v(t))]$$

$$Exfrac(t) = 1 - (1 - E_0) \frac{1}{ShiftedFlowIn(t)}$$

$$CMRO_2(t) = ShiftedFlowIn(t) * \frac{Exfrac(t)}{E_0}$$

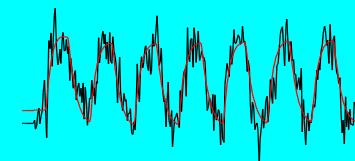
$$FlowOut(t) = v(t)^{\text{Gam}}; \quad \frac{df}{dv} = \text{Gam}(v(t))^{\text{(Gam}-1)}$$

$$\tau_0 = \frac{V_0}{FlowOut(0)}$$

$$q(t) = \frac{Q(t)}{Q_0}; \quad \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{1}{\tau_0} \left[ShiftedFlowIn(t) \frac{Exfrac(t)}{E_0} - FlowOut(t) \frac{q(t)}{v(t)} \right]$$

$$v(t) = \frac{V(t)}{V_0}; \quad \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{1}{\tau_0} \left[\frac{ShiftedFlowIn(t) - FlowOut(t)}{1 + 0.5 \left(\frac{dt}{\tau_0} \right) \left(\frac{df}{dv} \right) + \left(\frac{viscos}{\sqrt{v(t)}} \right)} \right]$$

Optimized Balloon Output



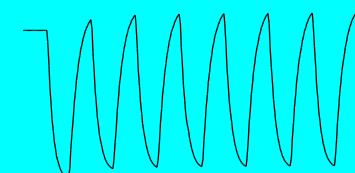
Balloon Fit to BOLD Signal



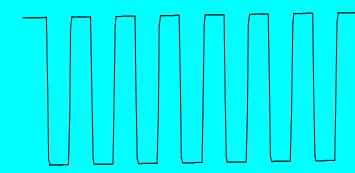
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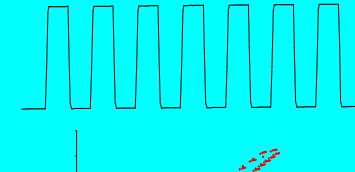
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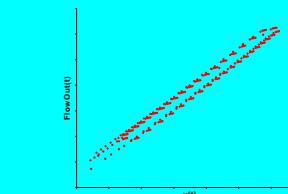
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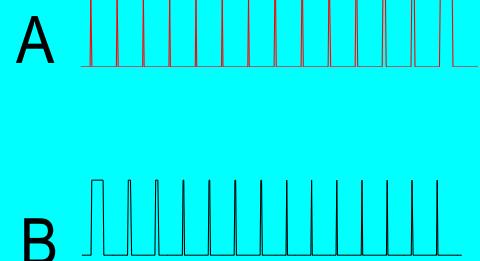


CMRO₂



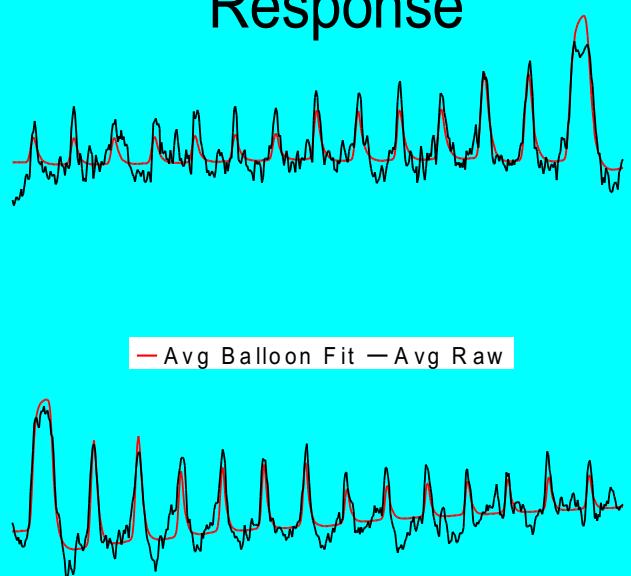
FlowOut(t) versus v(t)

Stimulus



Voxelwise Analysis

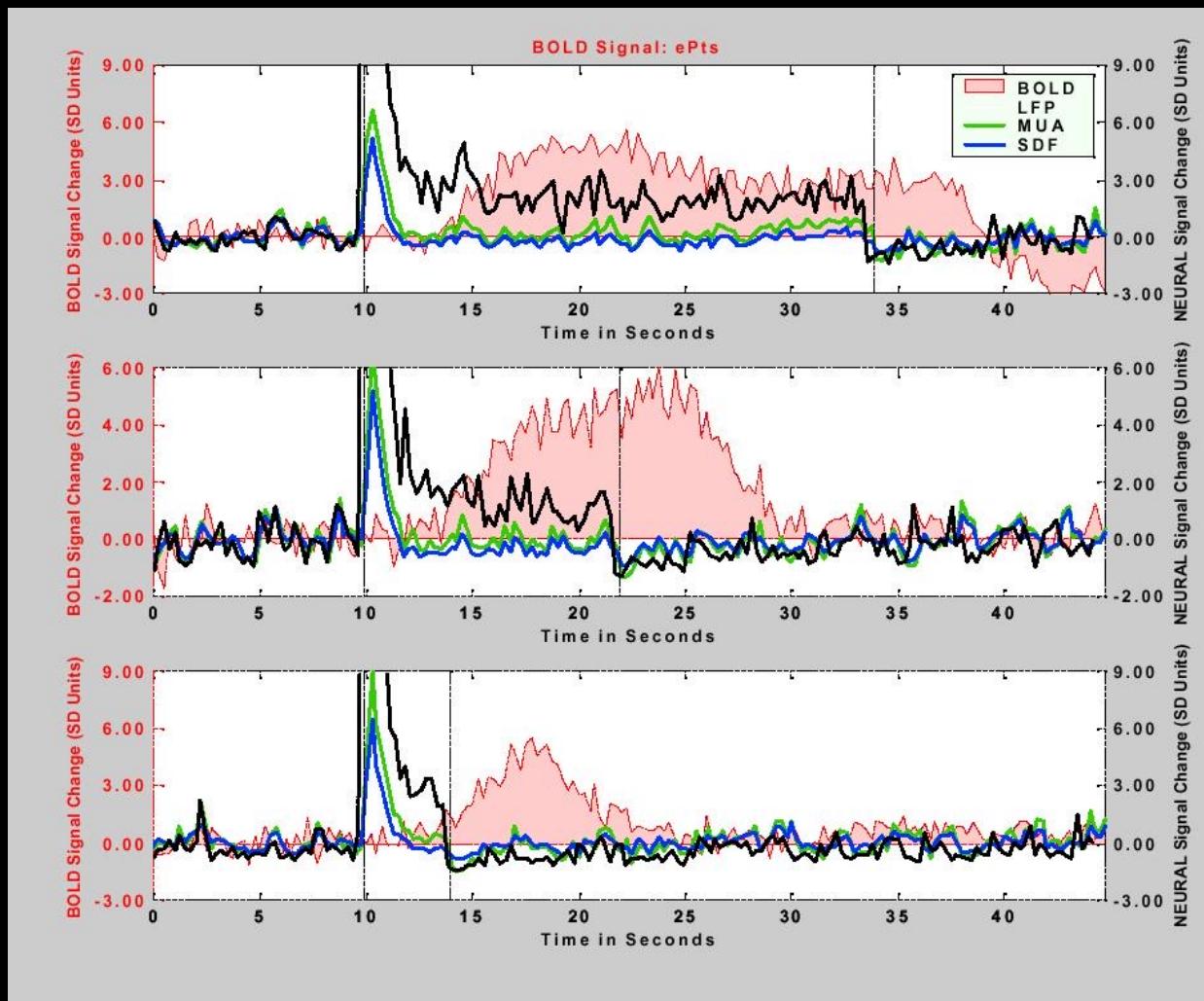
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Balloon Model

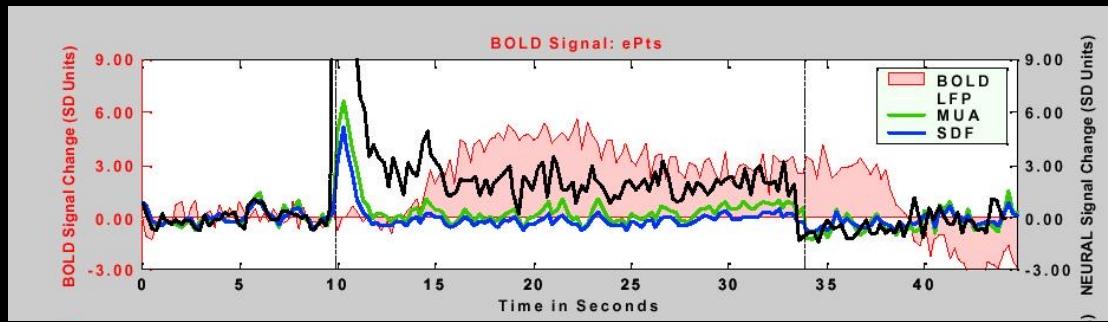
Functional Dataset

BOLD Correlation with Neuronal Activity

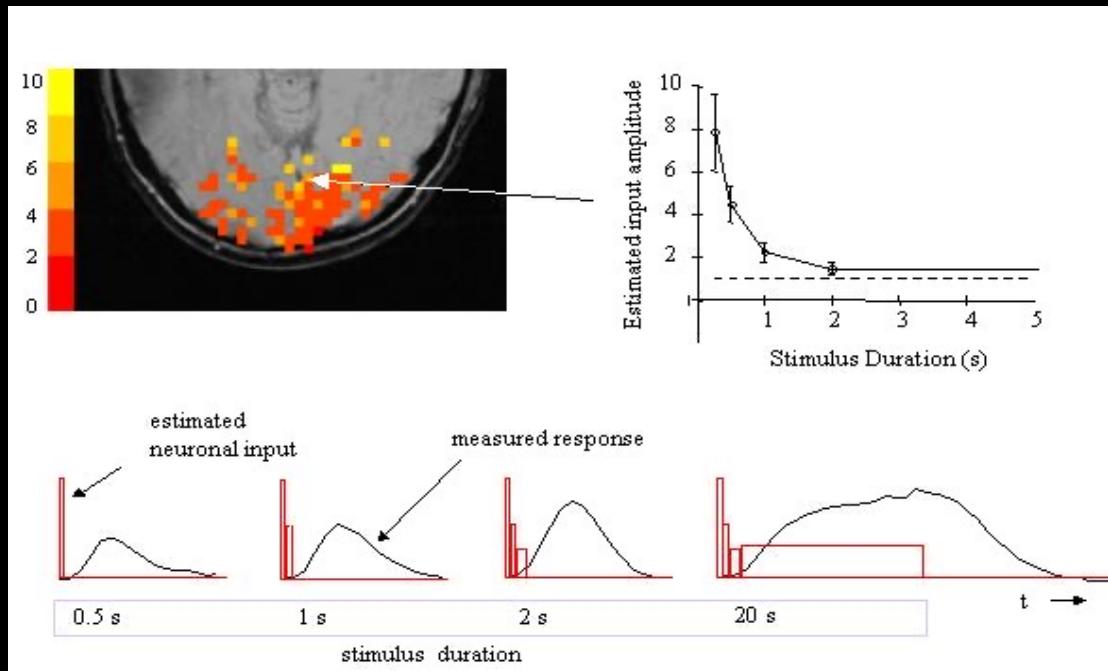


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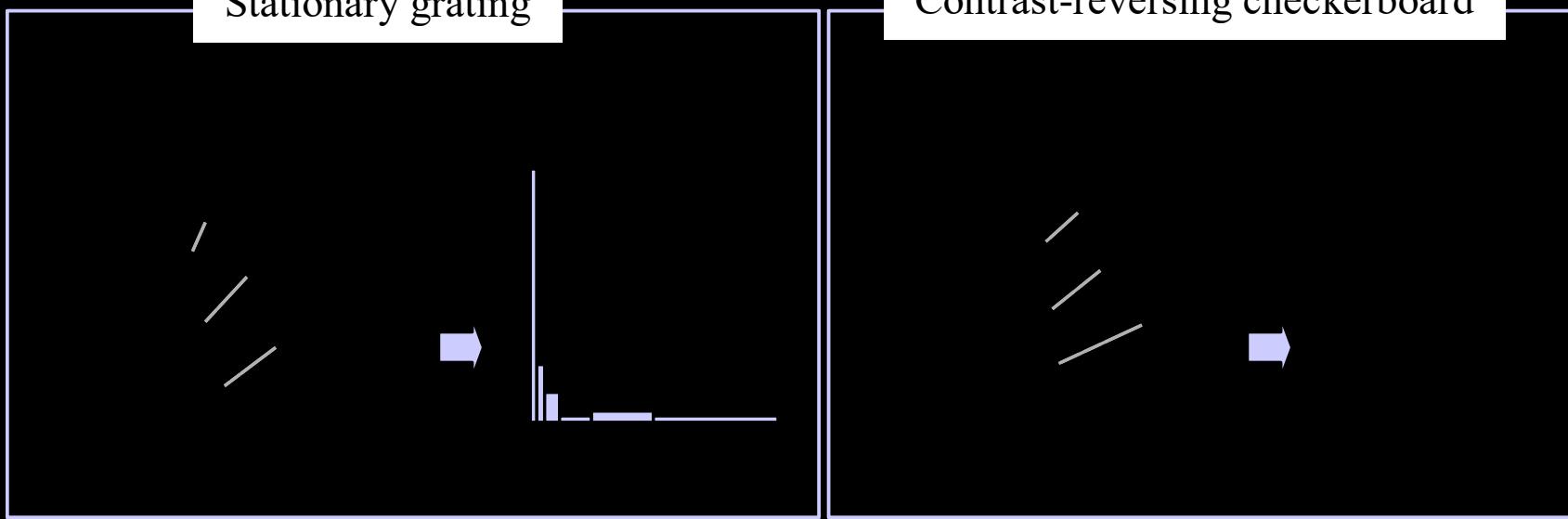
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Stationary grating

Contrast-reversing checkerboard



Varying “ON” and “OFF” periods

- *Rapid event-related design with varying ISI*



8% ON



25% ON

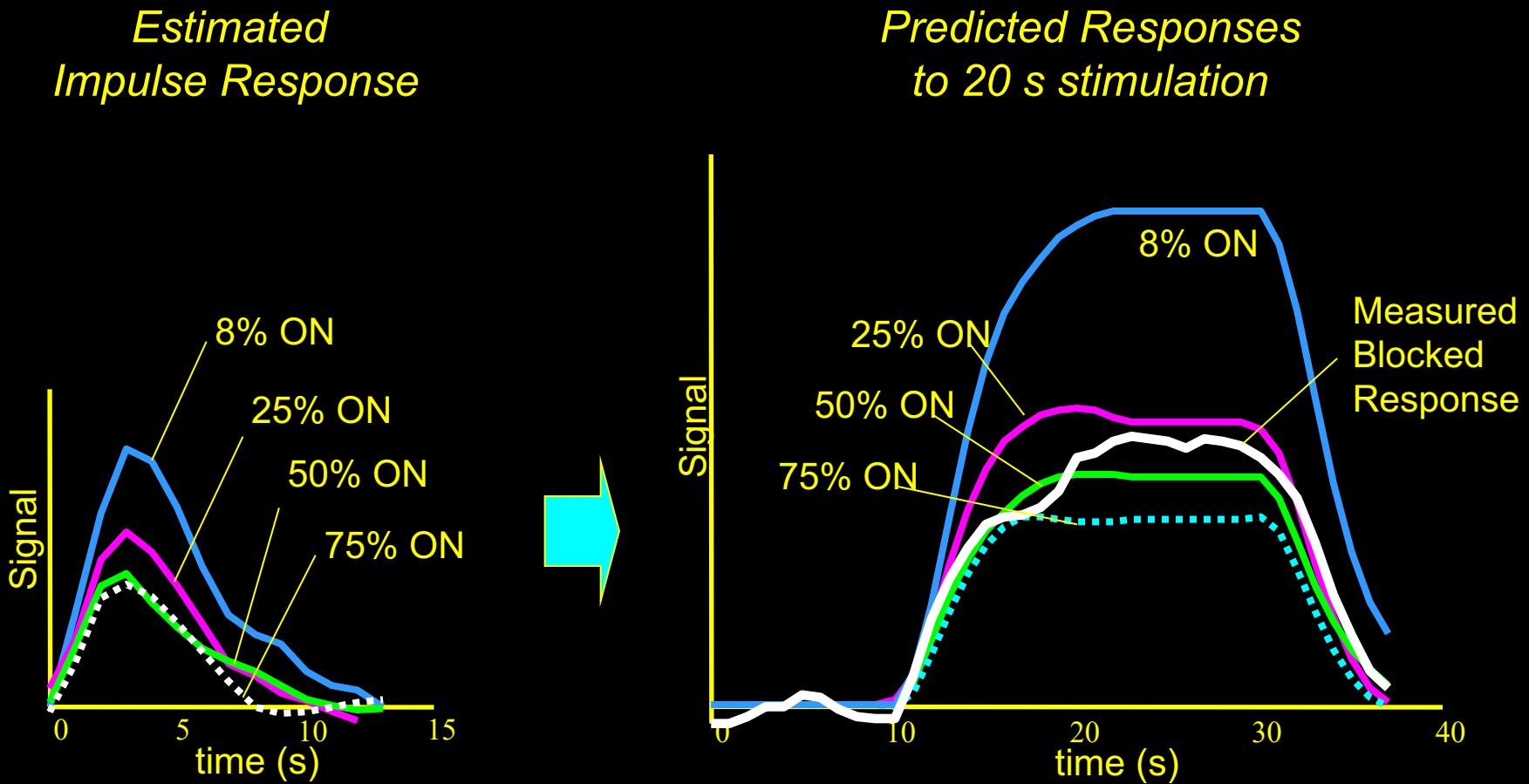


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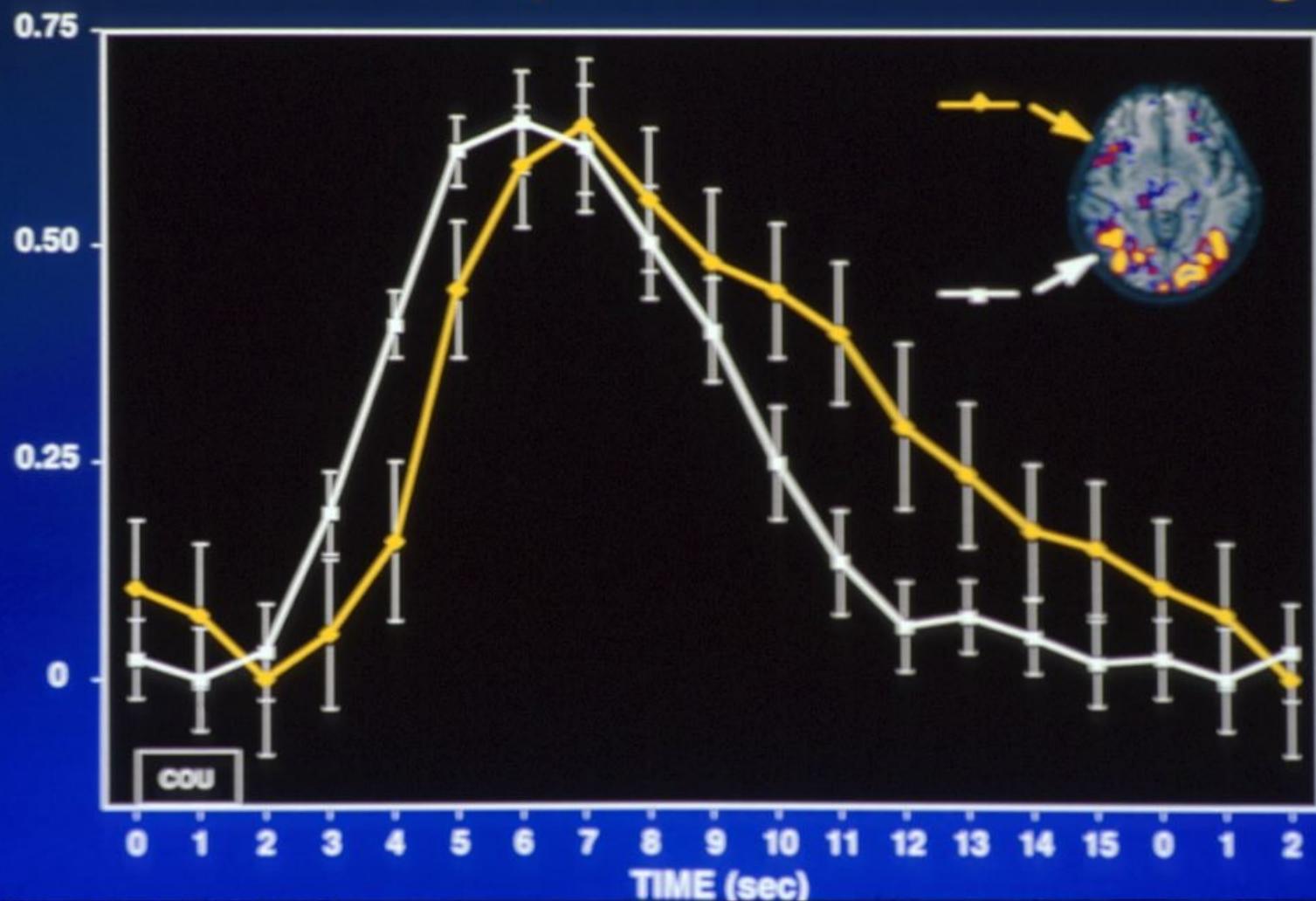


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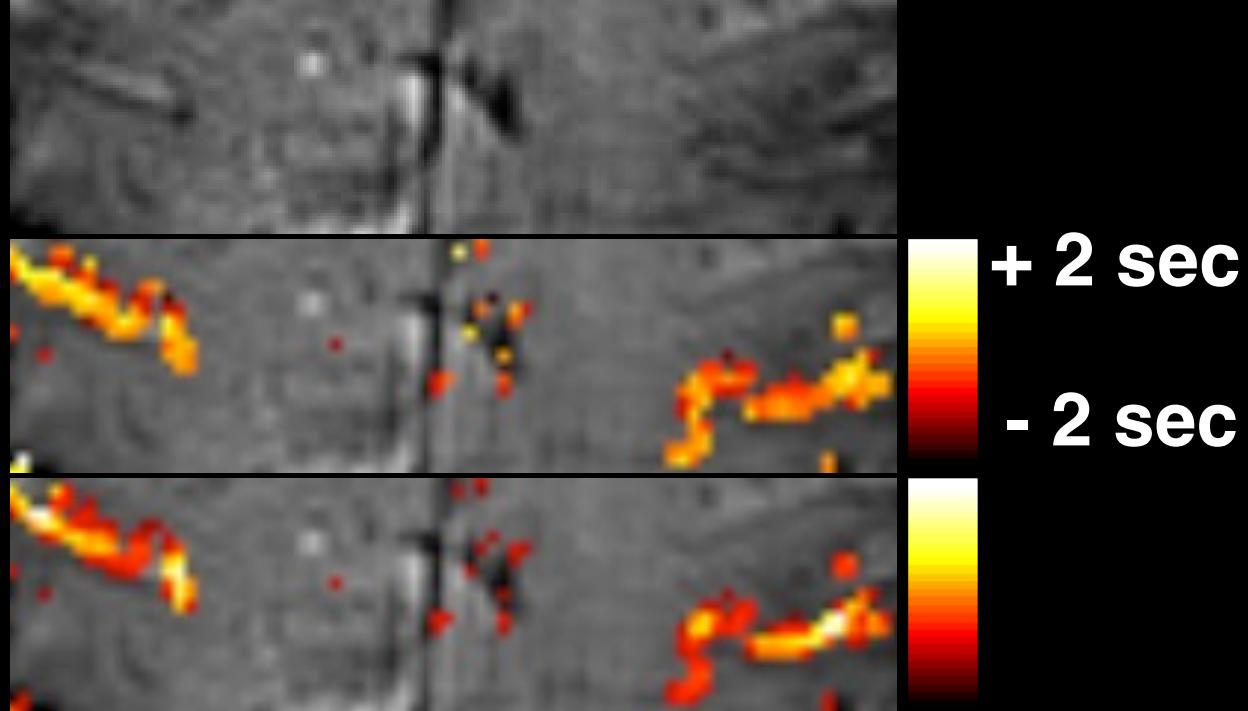
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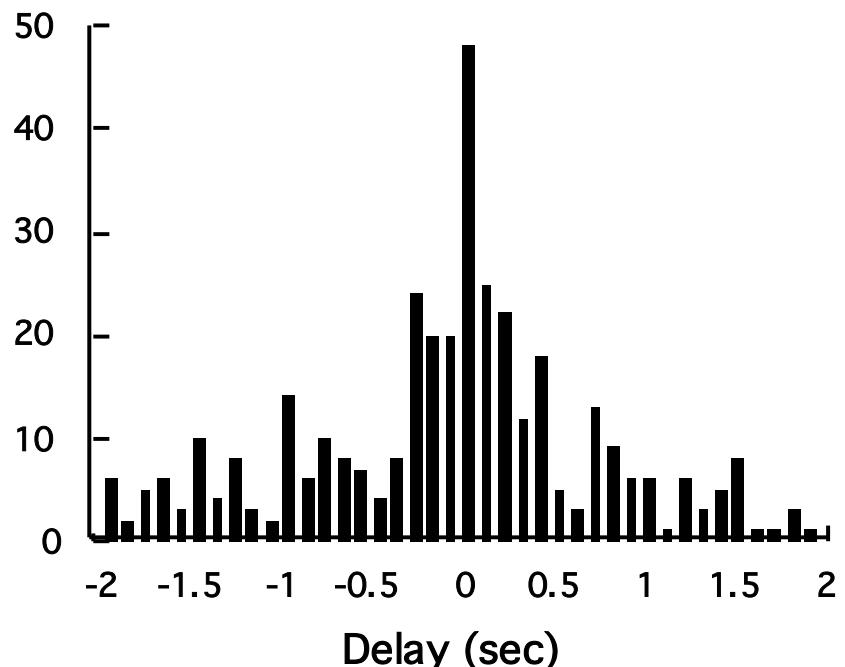
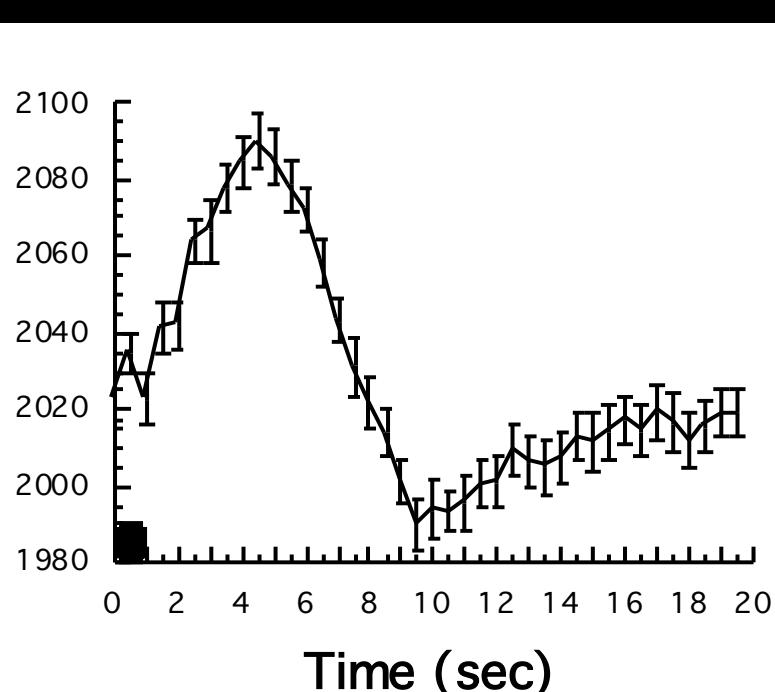
Time Course Comparison Across Brain Regions



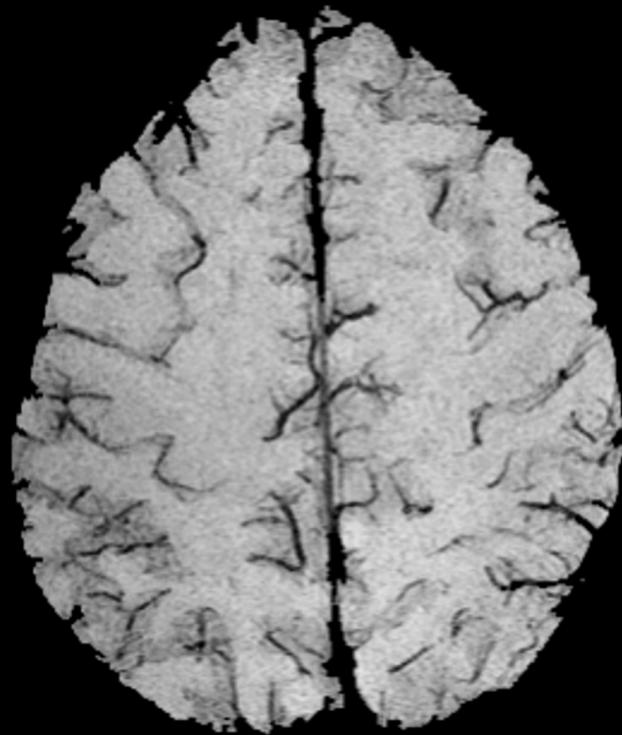
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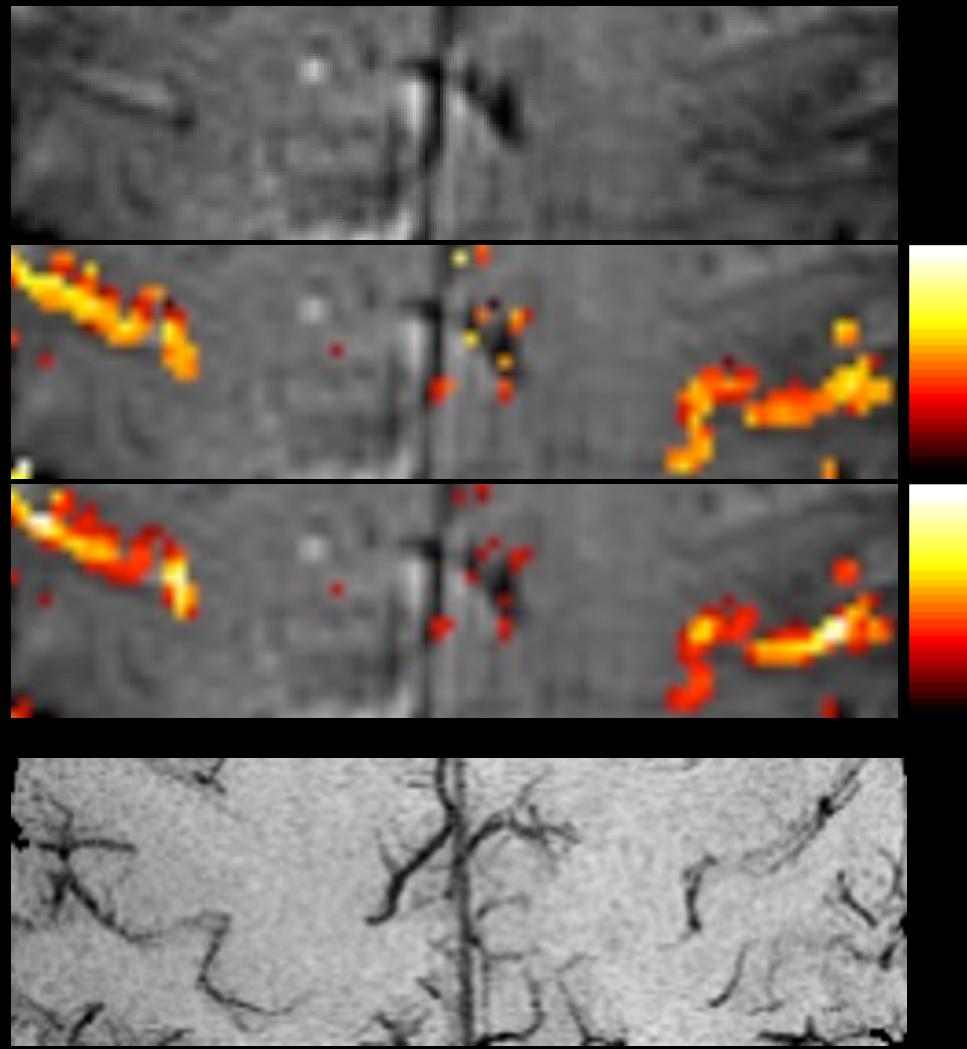


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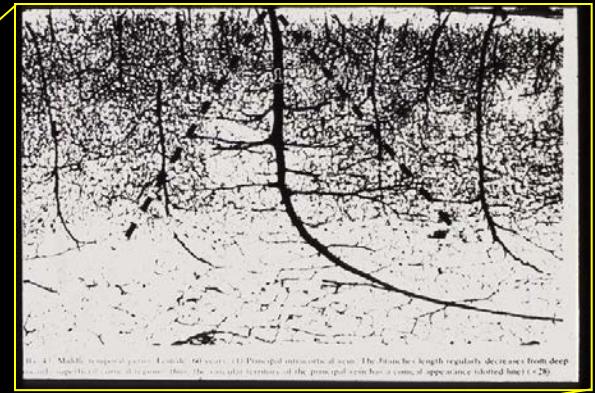
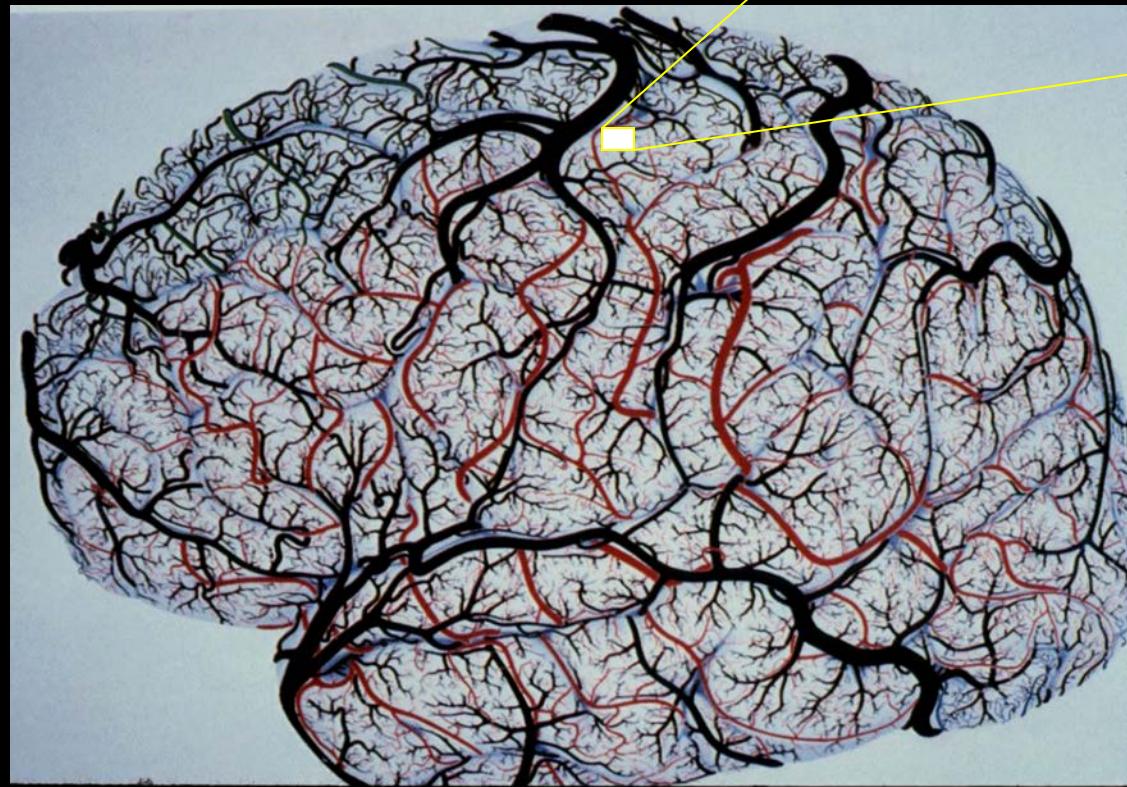
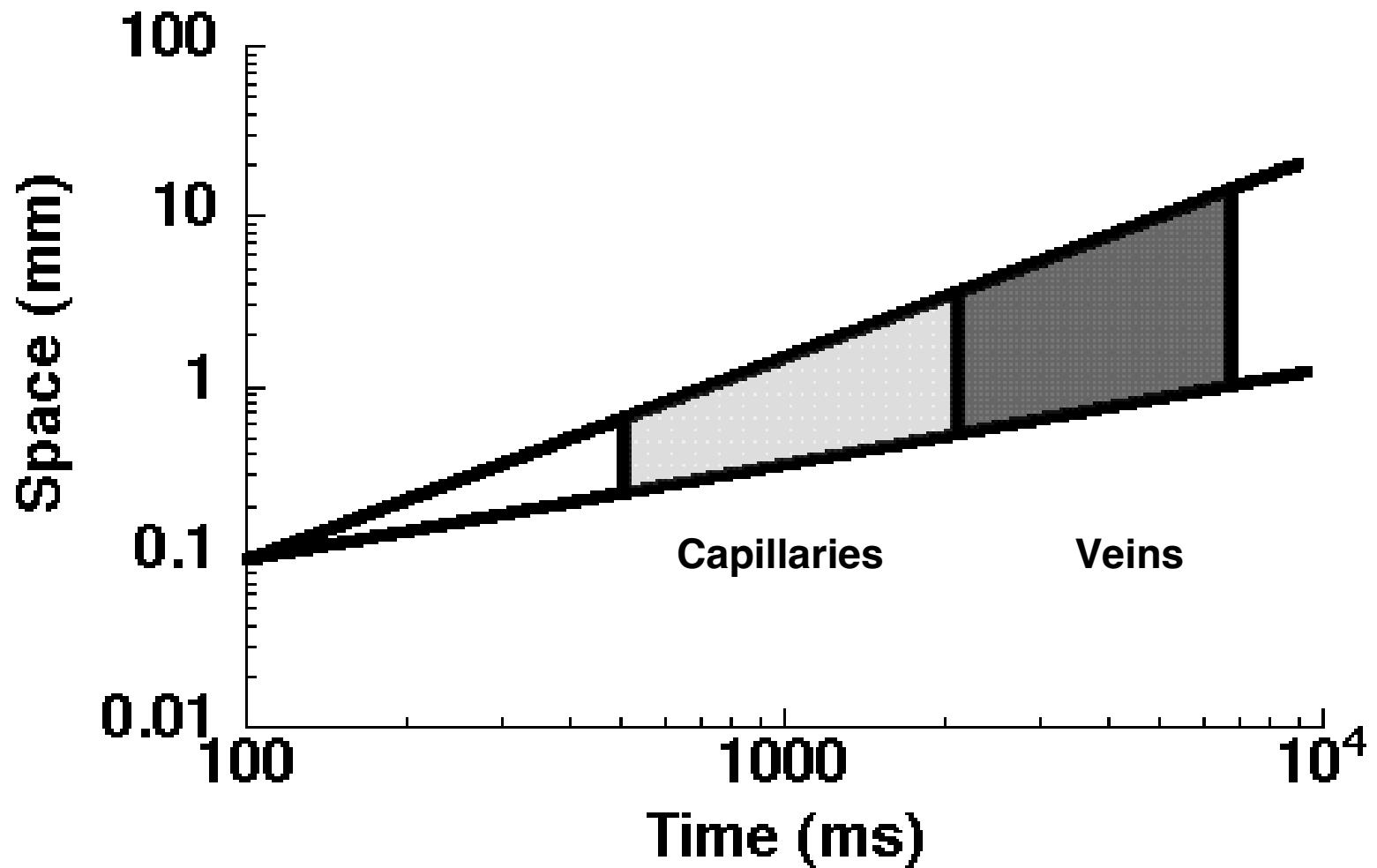
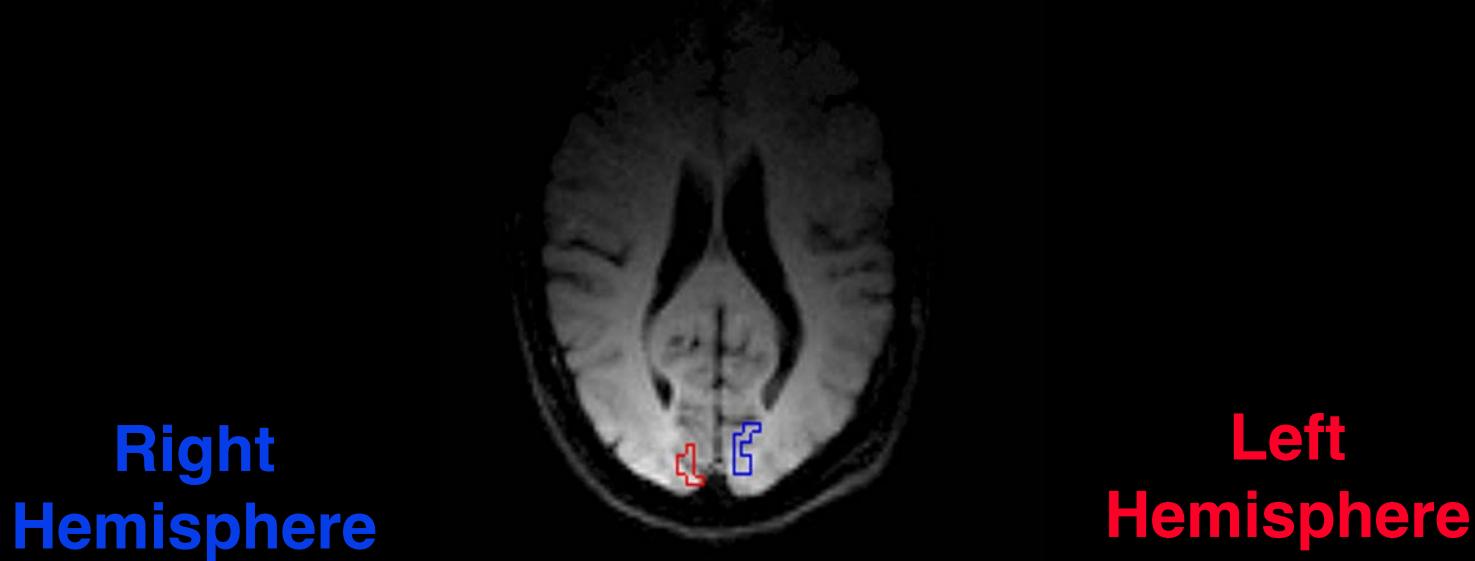


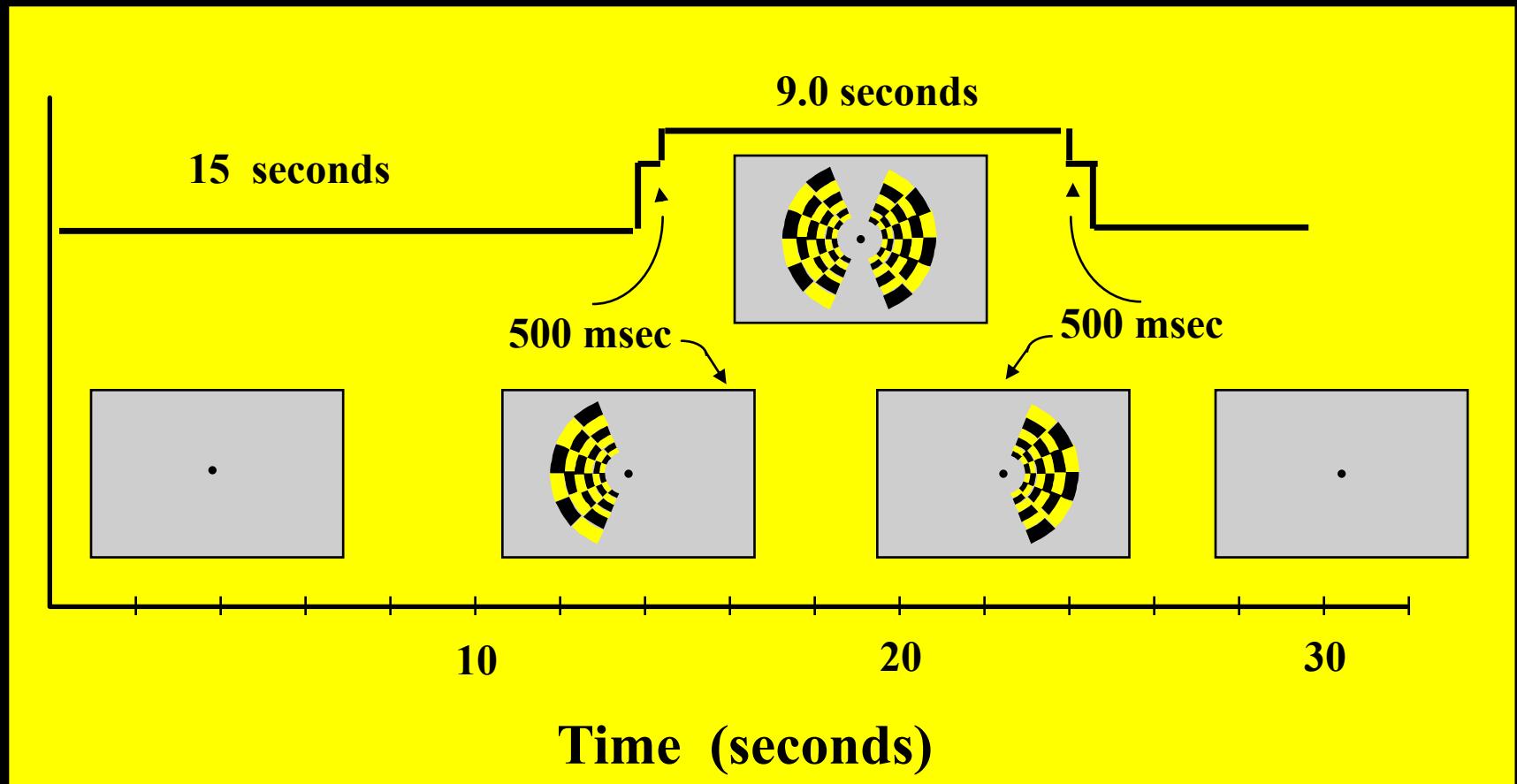
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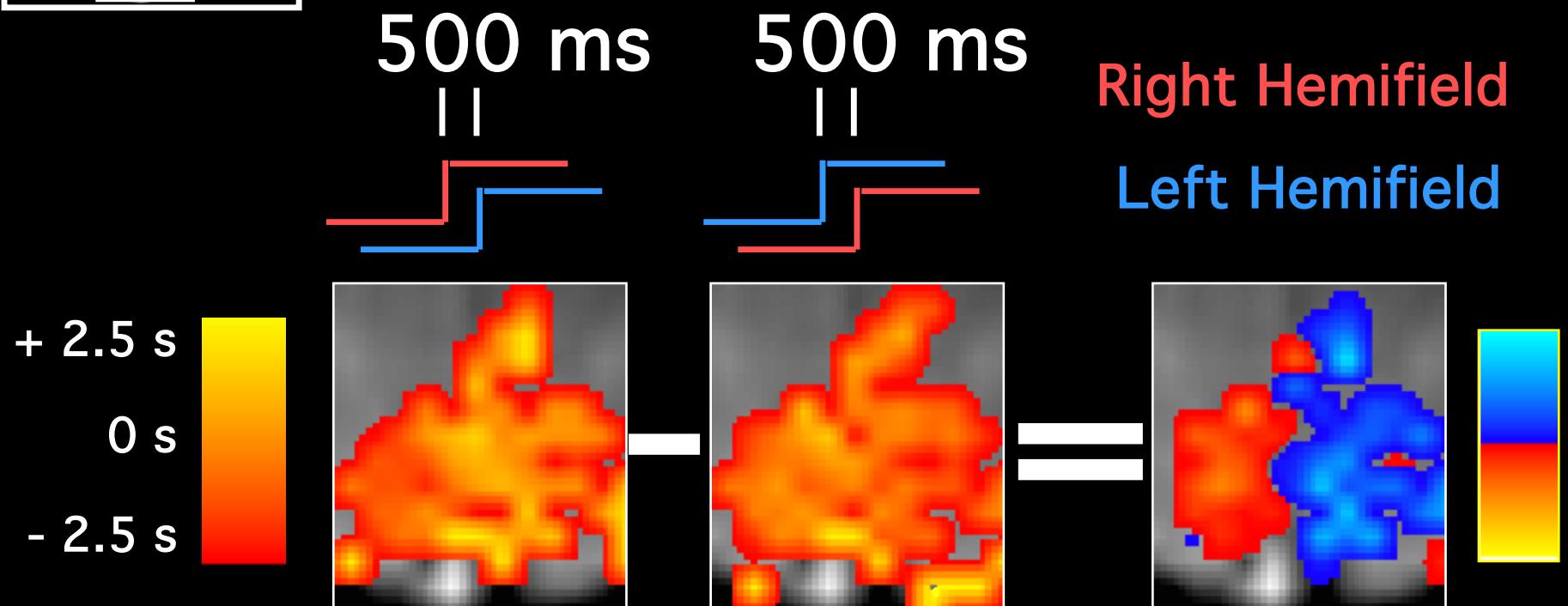
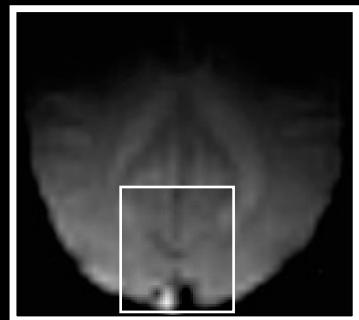
Hemodynamic Latency and Variability Following Neuronal Activation



Regions of Interest Used for Hemi-Field Experiment







PURPOSE / METHODS

Imaging Method: Scanner – 3T TR - 1000 ms TE - 30 ms

Behavioral Method:

Stimuli – Six-letter English words and pronounceable non-words.
Each word or non-word was rotated either 0, 60, or 120 degrees

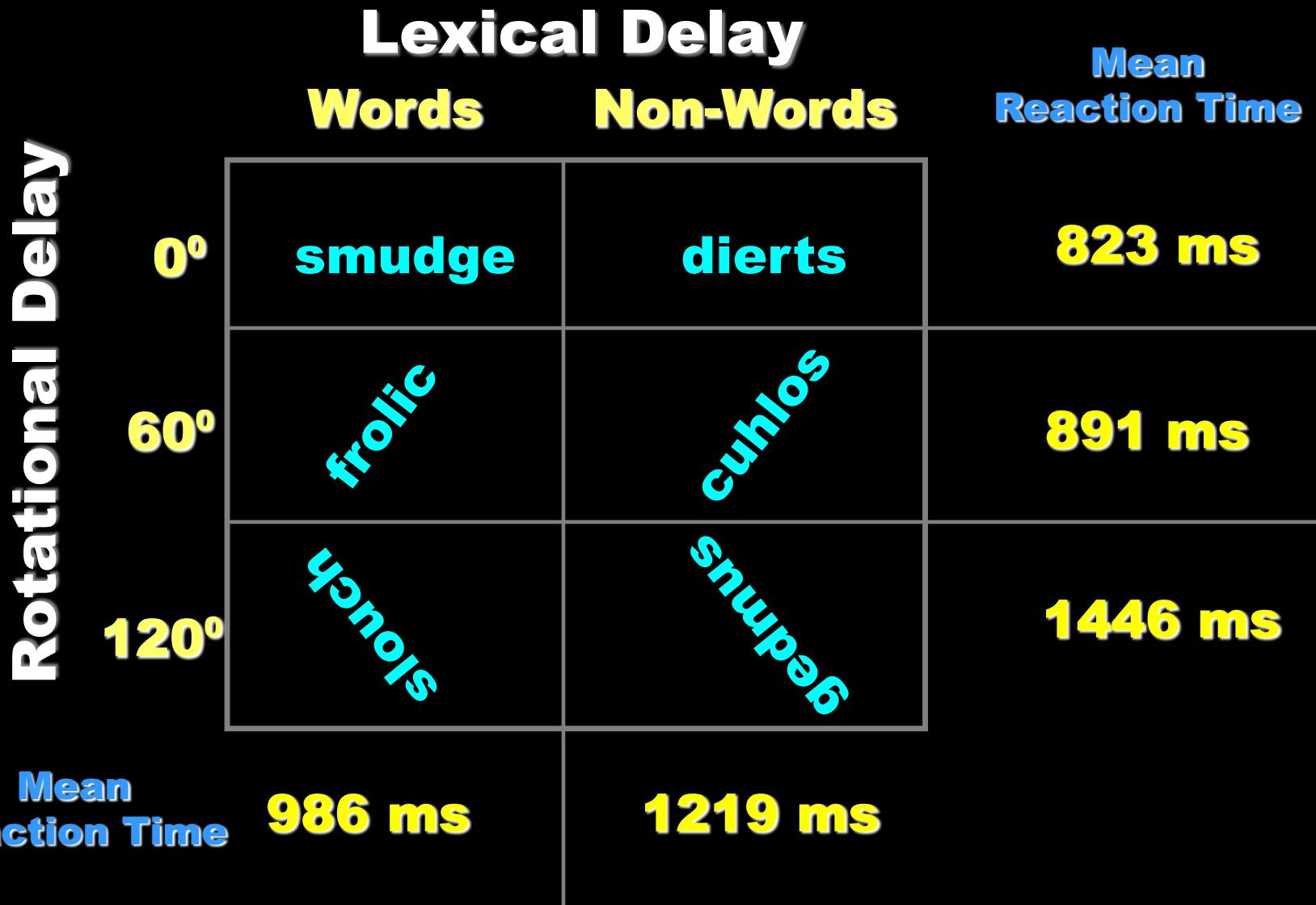
Task – Lexical Decision (word / non-word).

Dependent Measures – Percent Correct and Reaction Time.

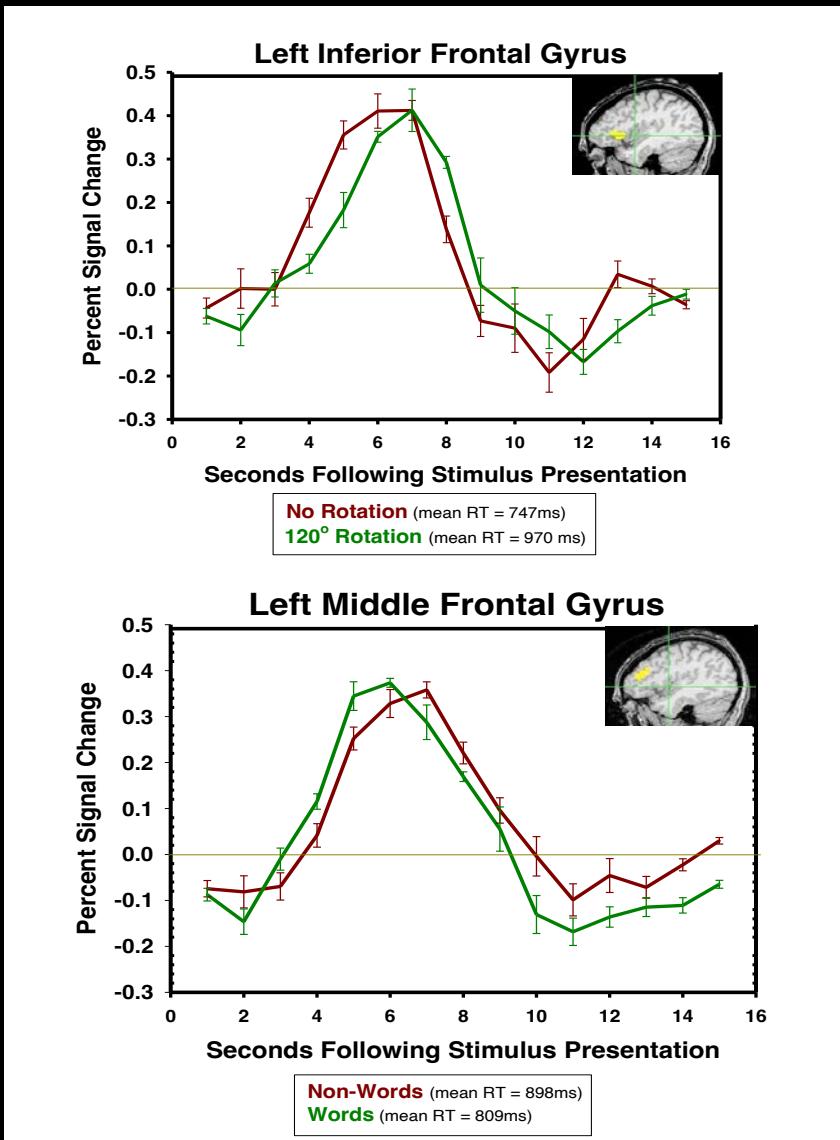
Hypotheses :

- 1) Stimulus rotation of 120 degrees will result in:**
 - a) Longer Reaction Times
 - b) Wider IRF in Parietal Lobe
 - c) Delayed IRF onset in Left Inferior Frontal cortex

- 2) Lexical discrimination will result in :**
 - a) Longer Reaction Times for non-words
 - b) Wider IRF in Inferior Frontal cortex for non-words
 - c) Delayed IRF onset in Left Middle Frontal Cortex



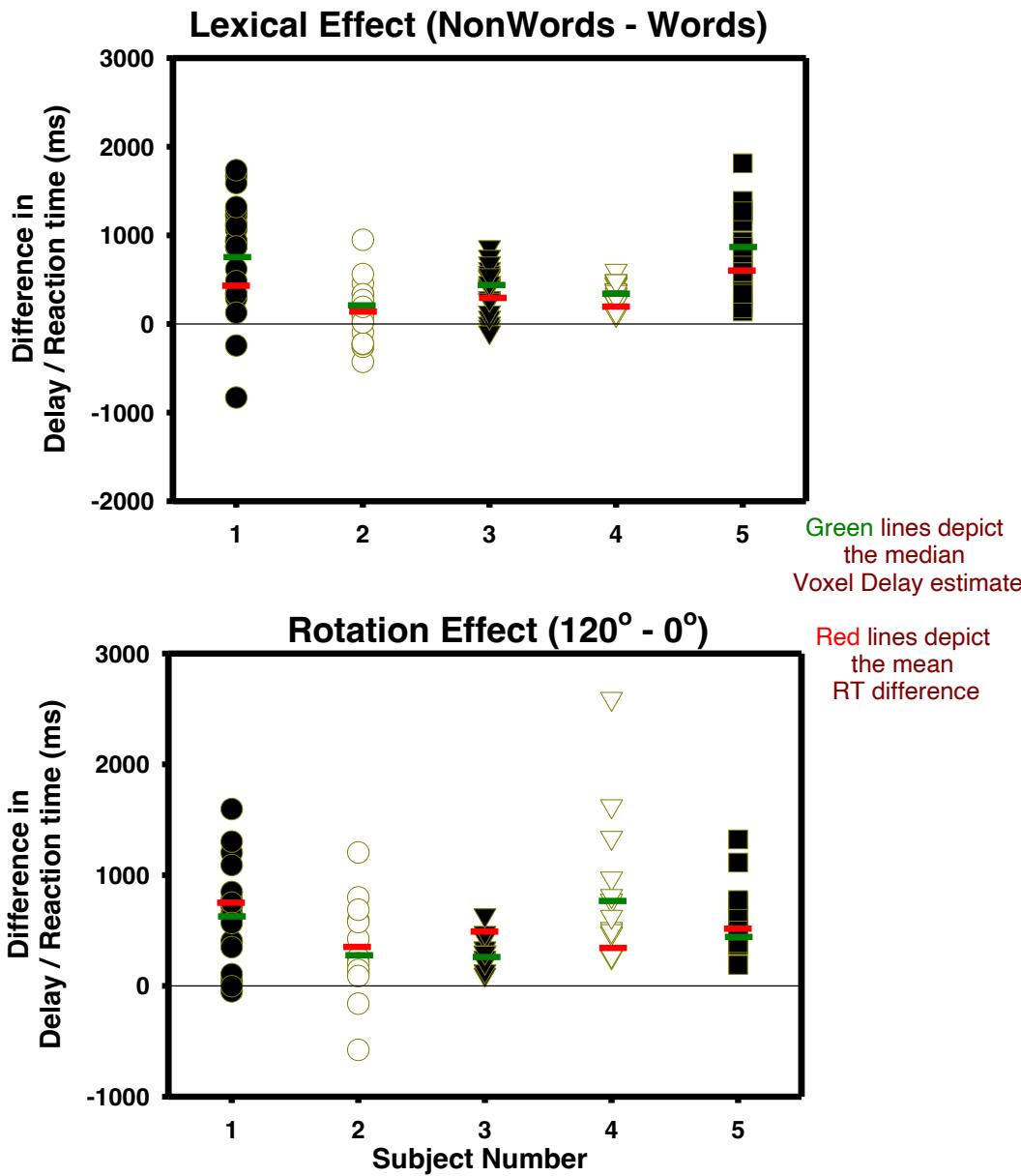
Mean Impulse Response Functions for Activated Voxels



Rotation Effect

Lexical Effect

Delay Differences from Individual Voxels within the Above ROI's



Speed

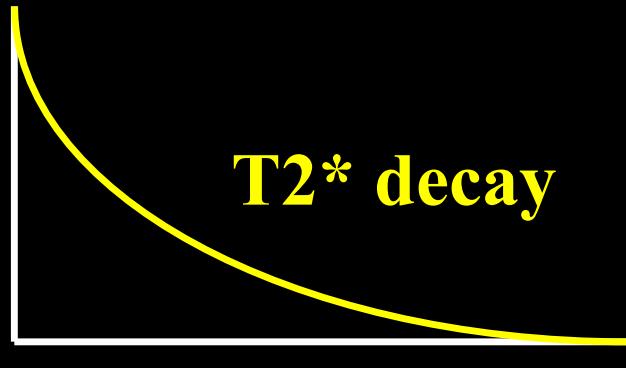
Temporal Resolution factors:

- Image acquisition rate (10 to 40 images/sec)
- Amount of signal averaging to make functional activation map
- Time for signal to deviate from baseline (3 sec)
- Fastest on-off rate in which amplitude is not compromised
(8 sec on / 8 sec off)
- Fastest on-off rate in which hemodynamic response keeps up
(2 sec on / 2 sec off)
- Minimum activation duration (no limit found)
- Standard deviation of hemodynamic response measures per voxel
(400 ms to 1 sec)
- Range of latencies over space (+ 2.5 sec, - 2.5 sec)

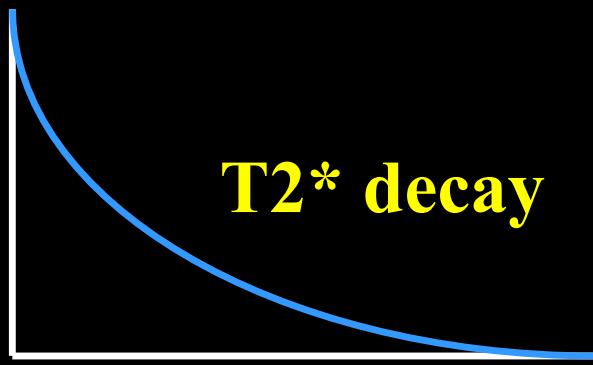
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- Information Content
- Sensitivity
- Acquisition Speed
- Resolution
- Image quality

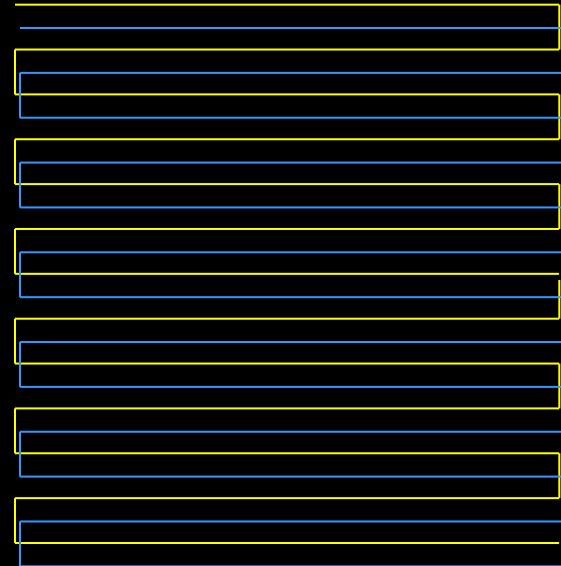
Multishot Imaging



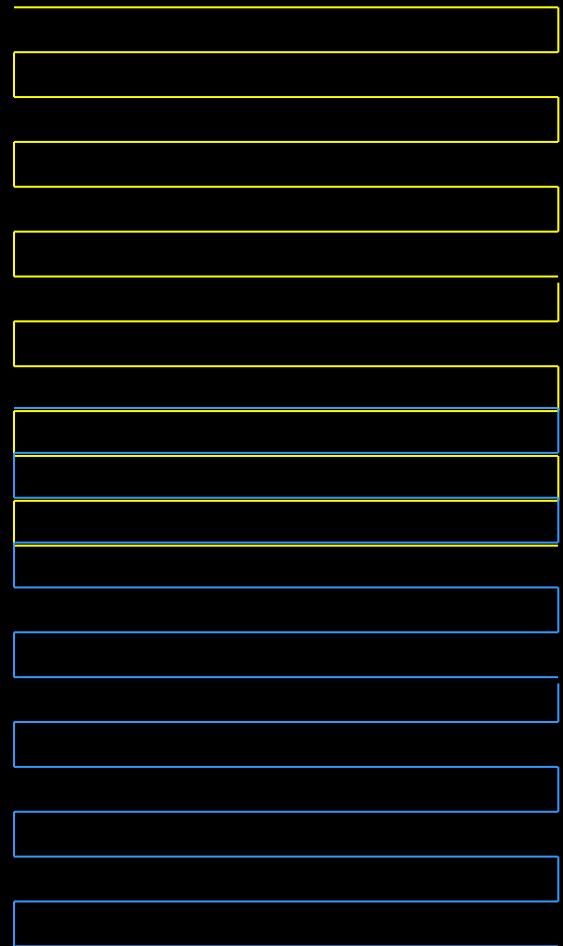
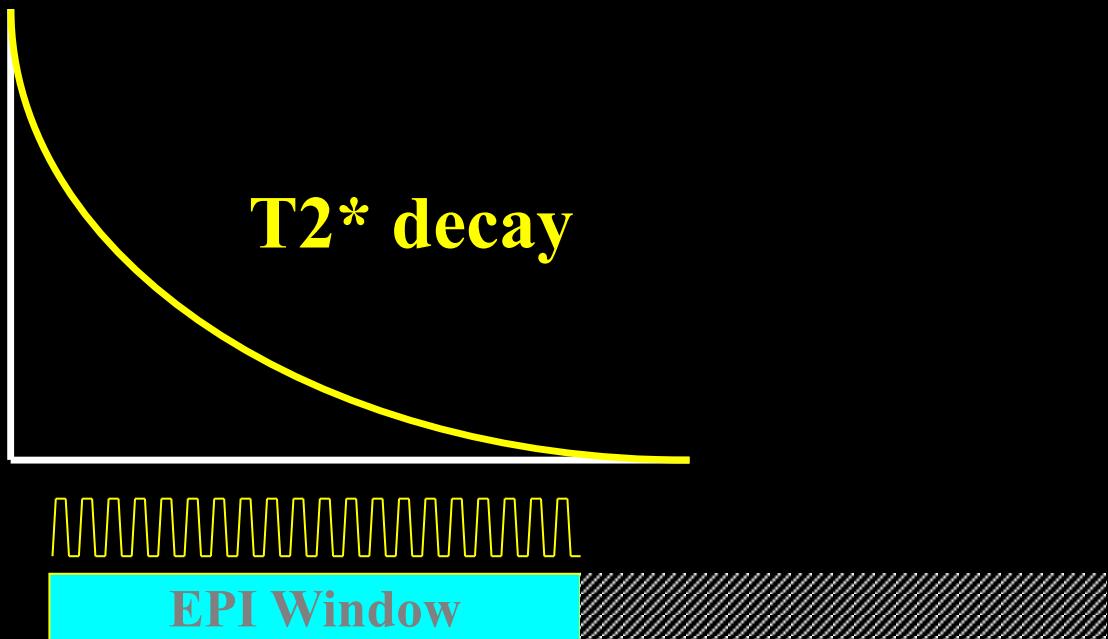
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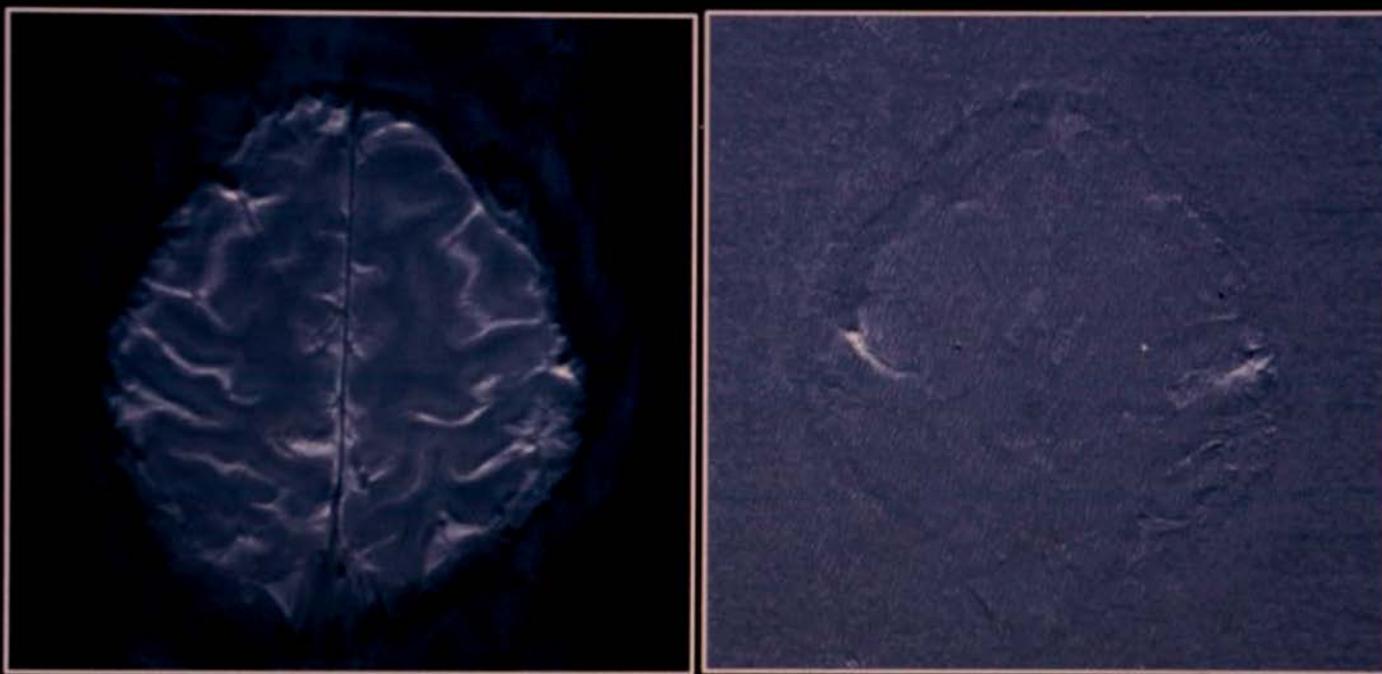
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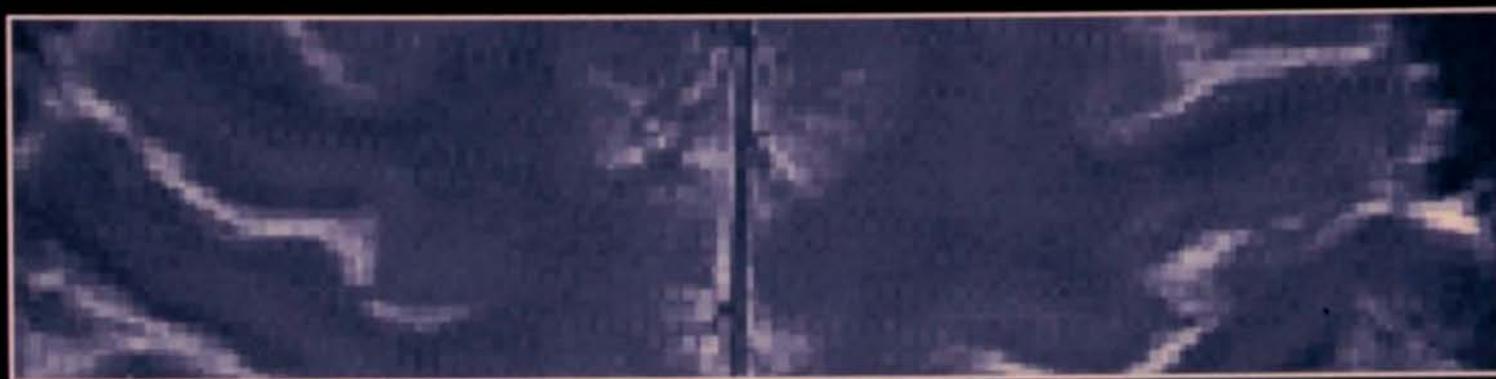
Partial k-space imaging



**Single - Shot EPI at 3T:
Half NEX, 256 x 256, 16 cm FOV**



**Single - Shot EPI at 3T:
Half NEX 256 x 256, 16 cm FOV**



Multi Shot EPI

Excitations

1

Matrix Size

64 x 64

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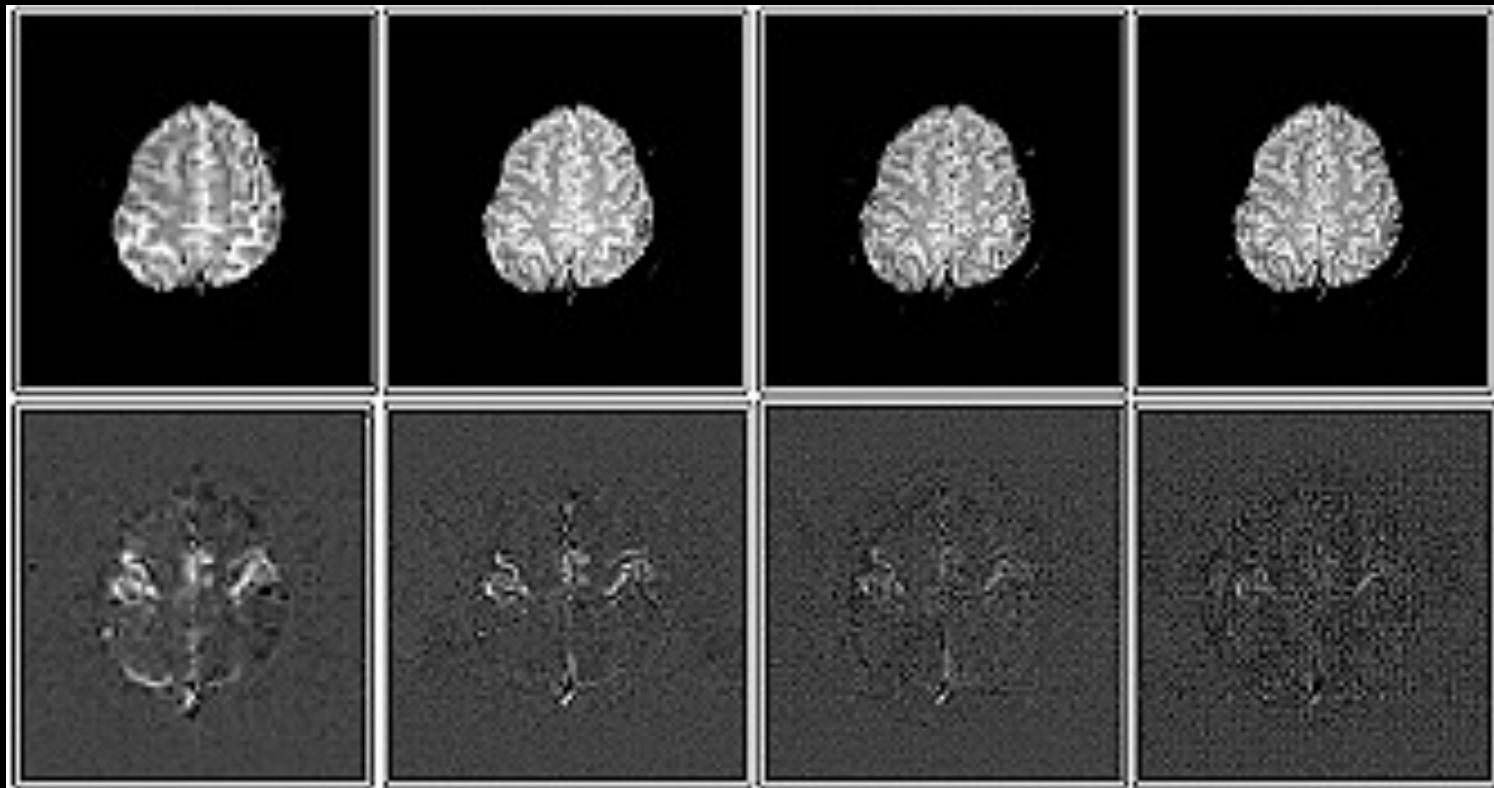
128 x 128

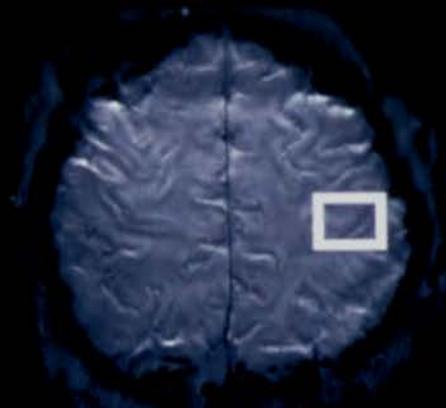
4

256 x 128

8

256





64 x 64

96 x 96

128 x 128

192 x 192

256 x 256

%



C/N



2.5 mm²

1.67 mm²

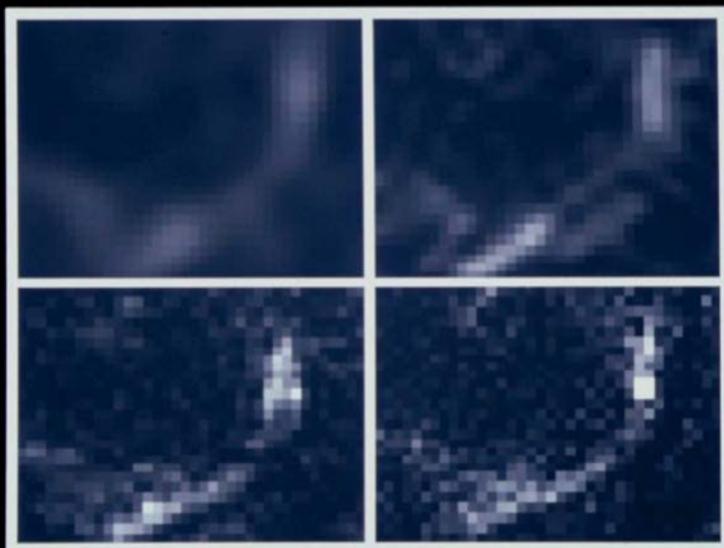
1.25 mm²

0.83 mm²

0.62 mm²

Fractional Signal Change

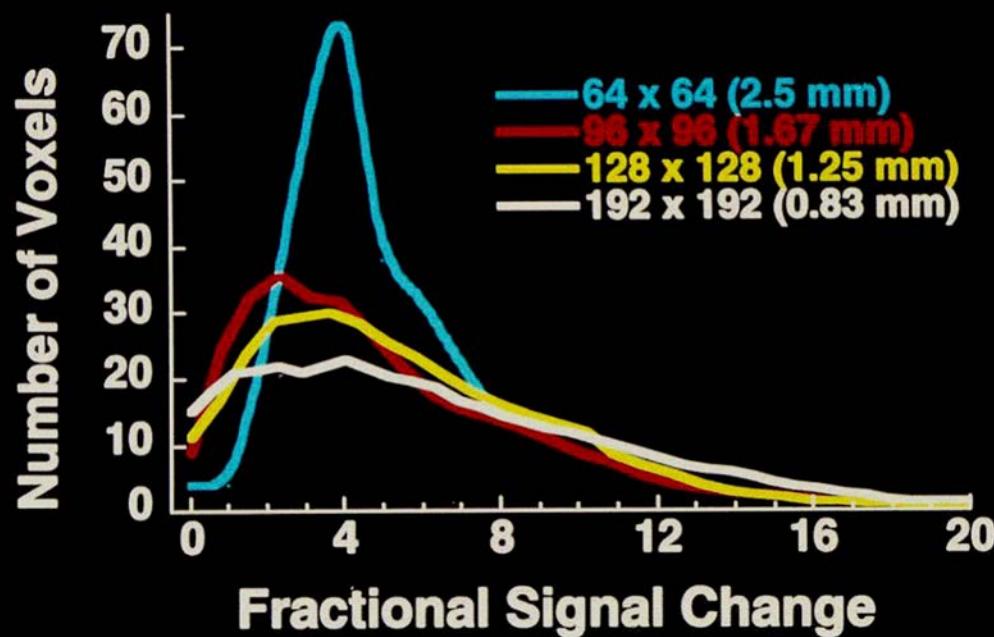
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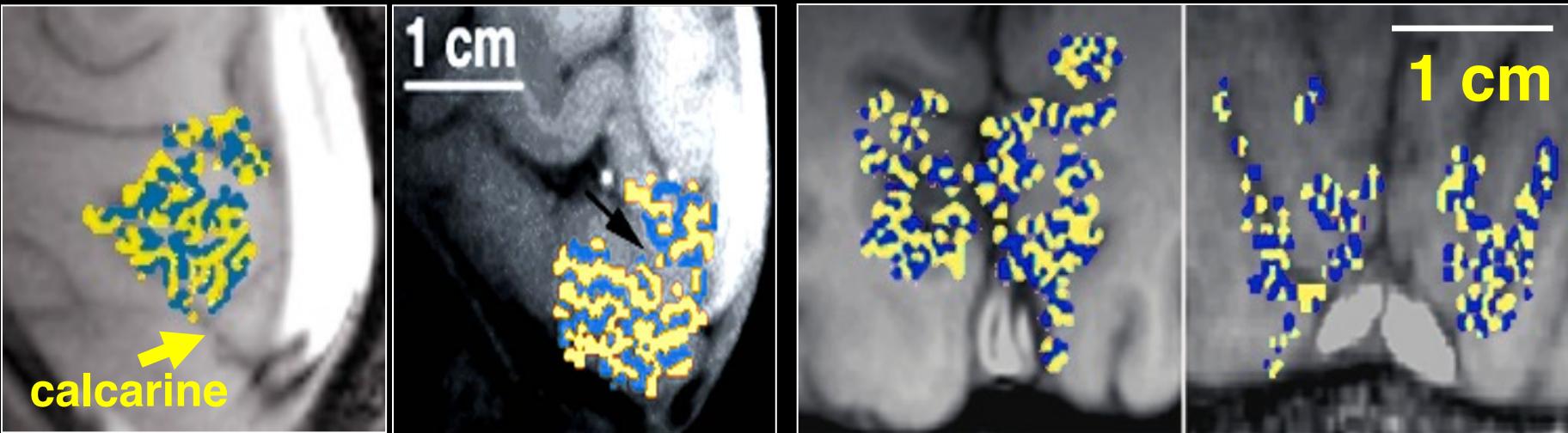
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Angiogram Perfusion **BOLD**



ODC Maps using fMRI



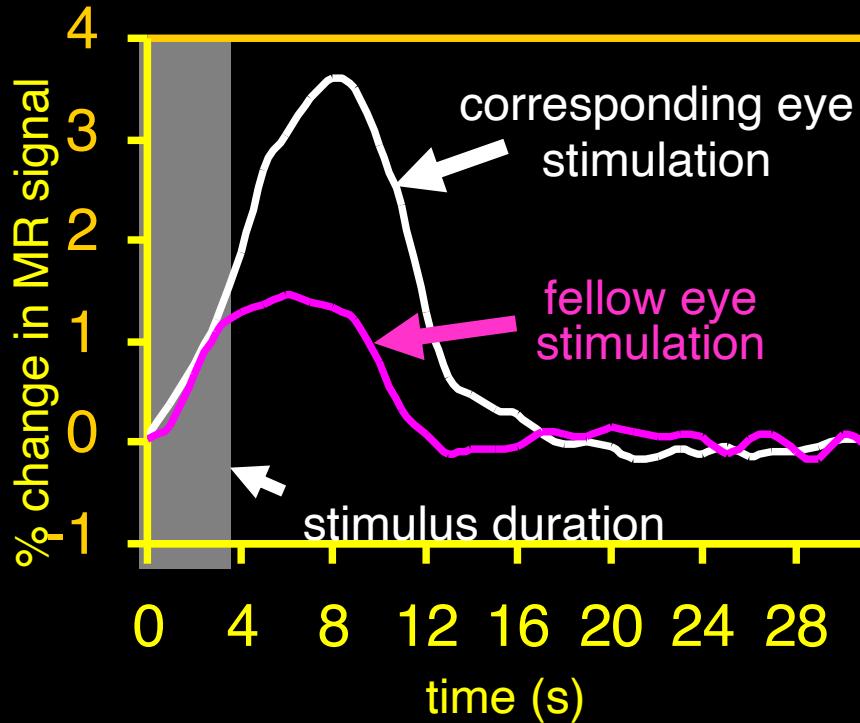
- Identical in size, orientation, and appearance to those obtained by optical imaging¹ and histology^{3,4}.

¹Malonek D, Grinvald A. *Science* 272, 551-4 (1996).

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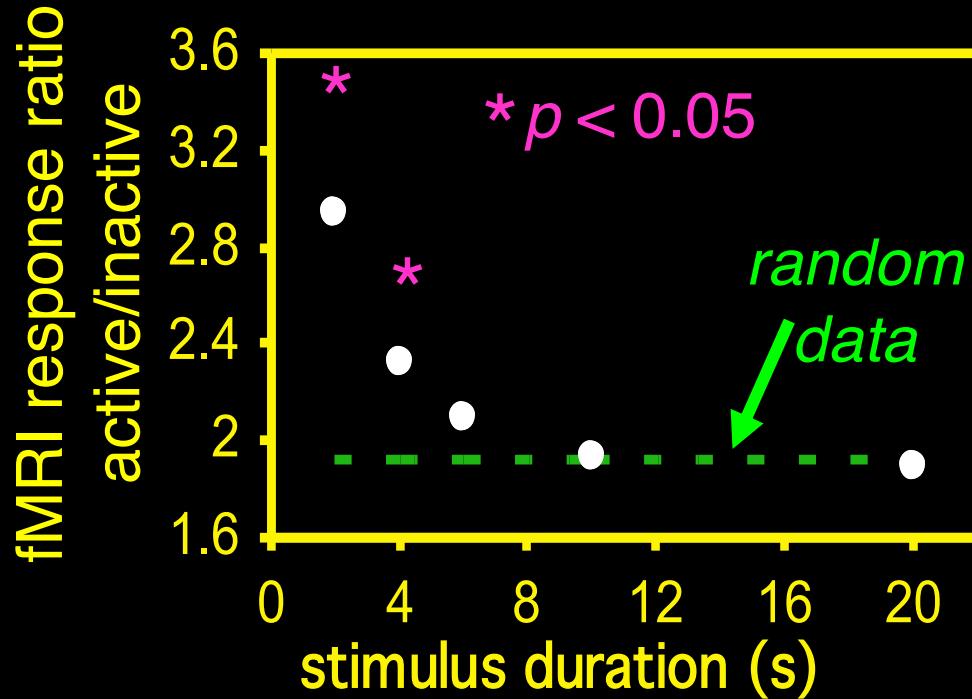
⁴Horton JC, et al. *Arch Ophthalmol* 108, 1025-31 (1990).

fMRI Timecourse within an ODC



- For a 4 second stimulus, the hyperoxic response does not saturate (i.e., does not reach a plateau).
- The ratio of the peak magnitudes of the fMRI responses is nearly 3:1.

Experiment 2: Stimulus Duration



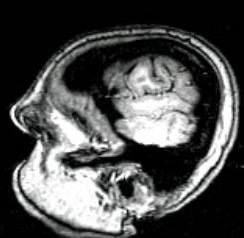
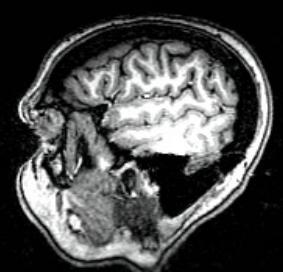
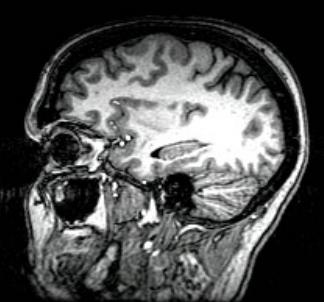
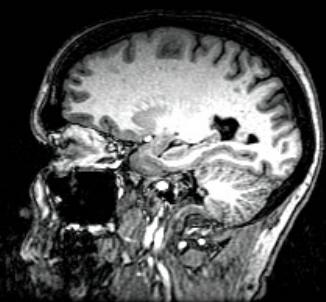
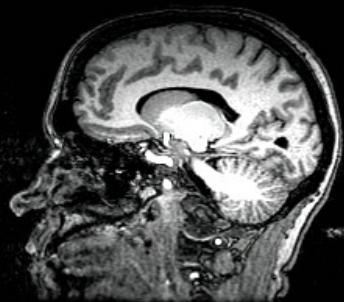
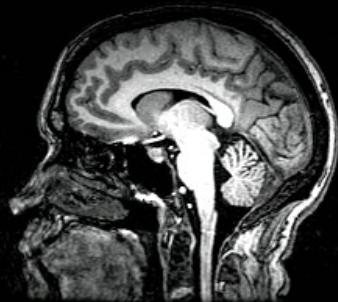
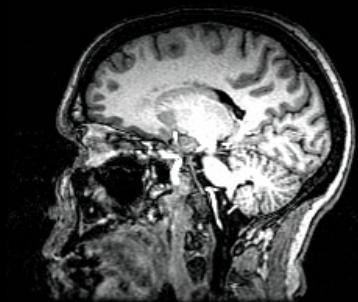
- The saturation of the hyperoxic response does not permit reliable mapping of ODCs.
- ODC maps obtained using the hyperoxic phase of the BOLD fMRI signal *are* reliable when stimulus duration is 4 seconds or less.

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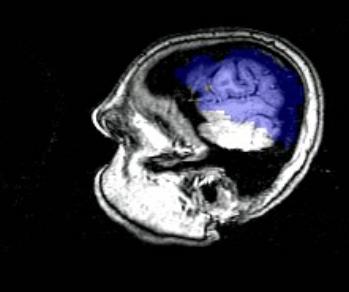
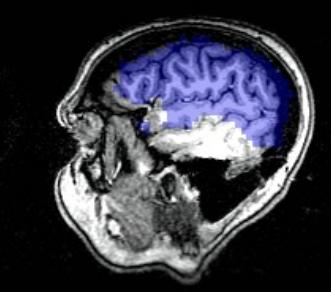
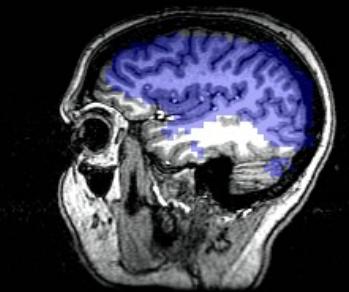
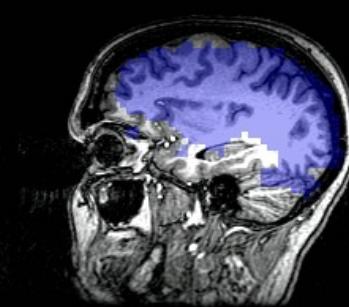
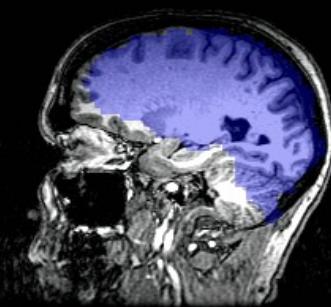
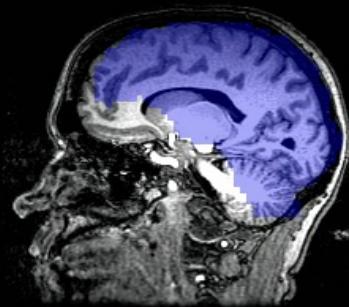
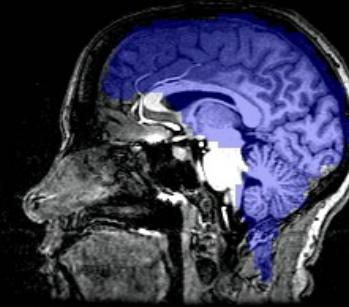
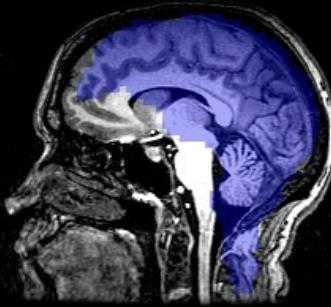
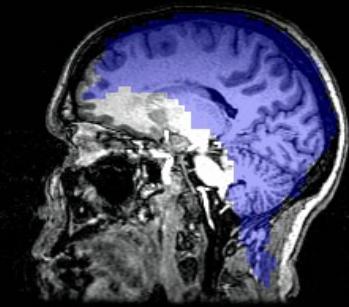
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Image Quality

- Minimizing warping
 - Shimming
 - Reduced readout window duration
- Minimizing dropout
 - Shimming
 - Reduced TE
 - Adjust slice orientation
 - Increase resolution

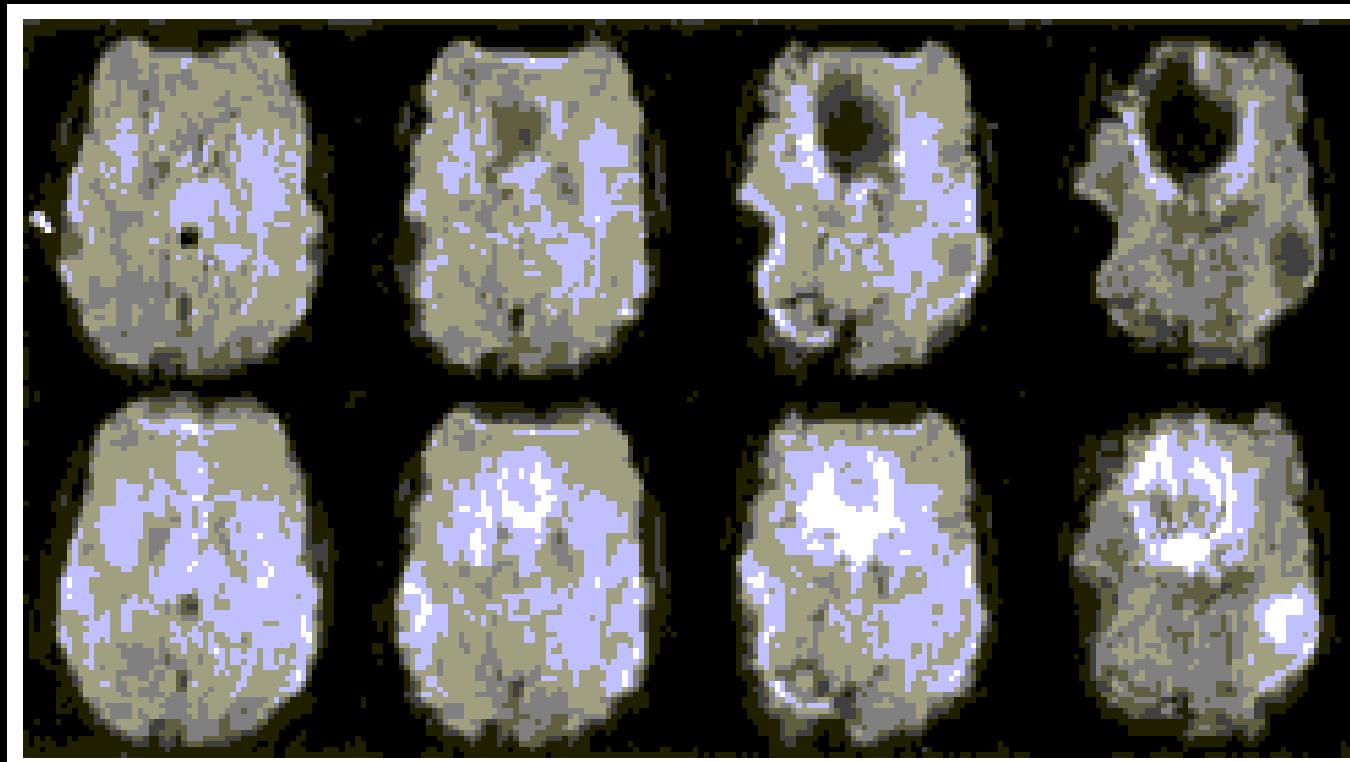




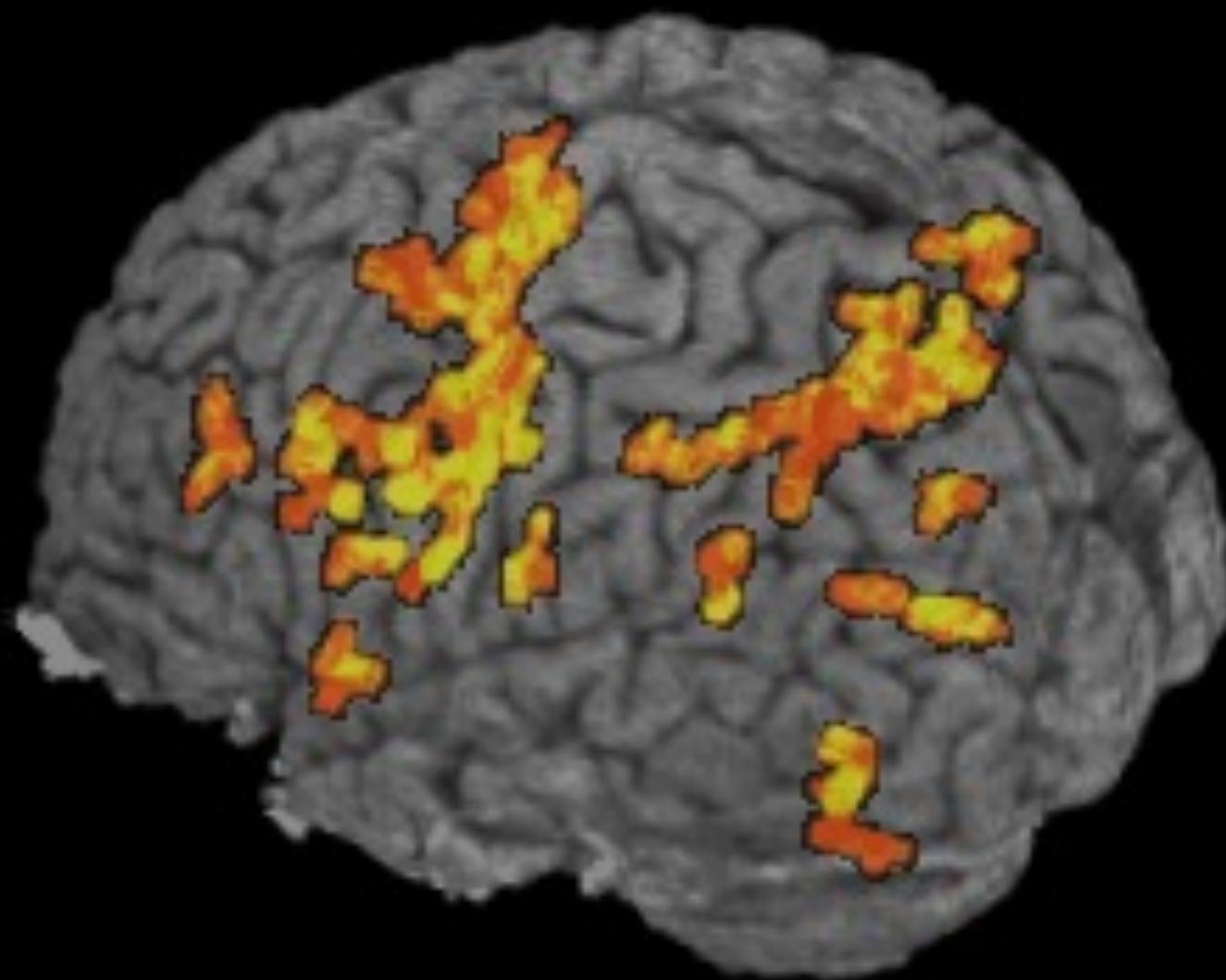


3D z-Shim Method for Reduction of Susceptibility Effects in BOLD fMRI

Gary H. Glover*



End of Acquisition



< 1 s to render

Blocked trials:
20 s on/20 s off
8 blocks

Blocks: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Color shows
through brain

Correlation > 0.45



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- Time
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- Sensitivity (factors that influence sensitivity)
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