

# **fMRI: Past, Present, and Future Limits of Spatial Resolution, Temporal Resolution and Interpretation**

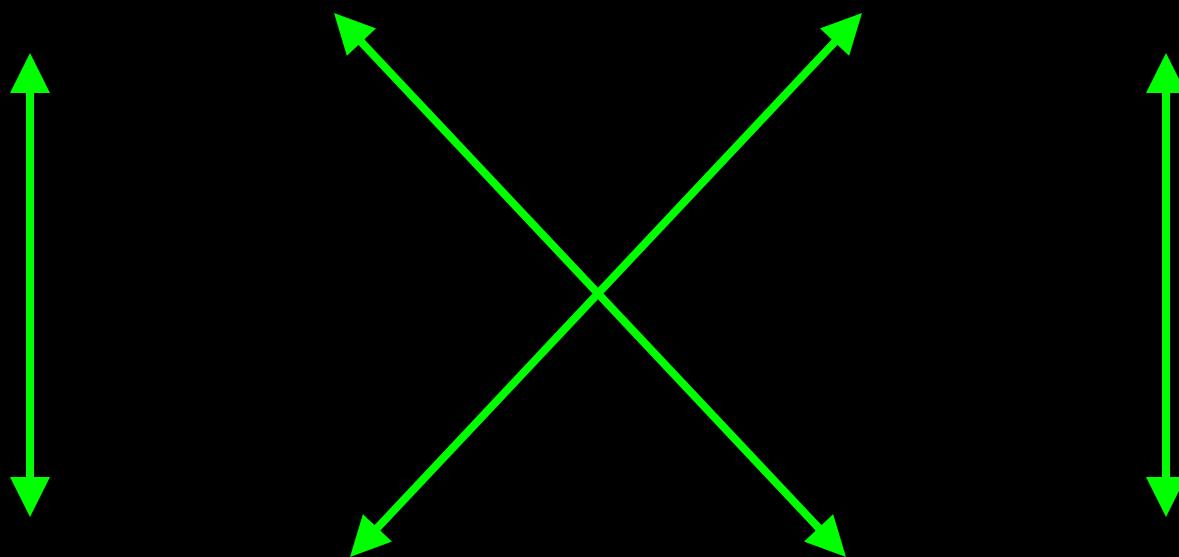
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Applications

# Technology

MRI	EPI	1.5T,3T, 4T	EPI on Clin. Syst.	Diff. tensor	Mg <sup>+</sup>	7T	>8 channels
		Local Human Head Gradient Coils	Nav. pulses	Real time fMRI	Venography		SENSE
	ASL	Spiral EPI		Quant. ASL	Z-shim		Baseline Susceptibility
	BOLD		Multi-shot fMRI	Dynamic IV volume		Simultaneous ASL and BOLD	Current Imaging?

# Methodology

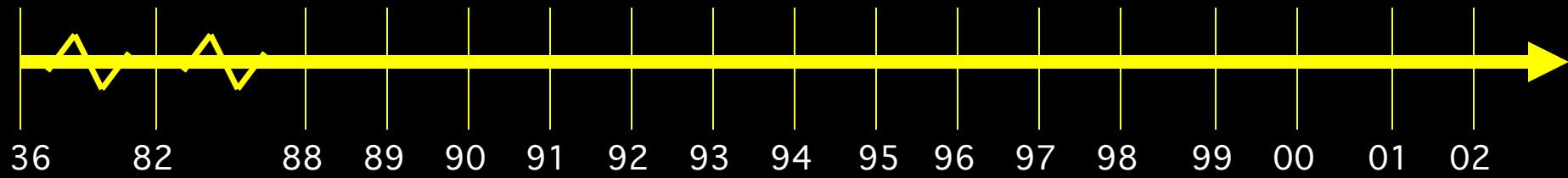
IVIM	Baseline Volume	Correlation Analysis	CO <sub>2</sub> Calibration
		Motion Correction	
		Parametric Design	Multi-Modal Mapping
		Surface Mapping	ICA
		Phase Mapping	Free-behavior Designs
		Linear Regression	Mental Chronometry
		Event-related	Multi-variate Mapping
		Deconvolution	Fuzzy Clustering

# Interpretation

Blood T2	BOLD models	PET correlation	
	B <sub>0</sub> dep.	IV vs EV	ASL vs. BOLD
		Pre-undershoot	PSF of BOLD
	TE dep	Resolution Dep.	
		Post-undershoot	Extended Stim.
	SE vs. GE	CO <sub>2</sub> effect	Linearity
	NIRS Correlation	Fluctuations	Metab. Correlation
	Veins	Inflow	Optical Im. Correlation
		Balloon Model	Electrophys. correlation

# Applications

Volume - Stroke	Complex motor			
	Language	Imagery	Memory	Emotion
	BOLD -V1, M1, A1	Presurgical	Children	Tumor vasc.
	V1, V2..mapping	Attention		Drug effects
		Priming/Learning	Ocular Dominance	
		Plasticity	Clinical Populations	
		Face recognition	Performance prediction	



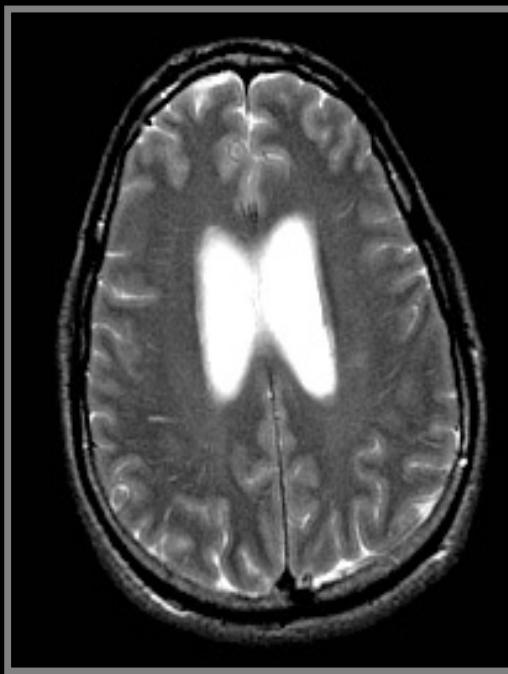


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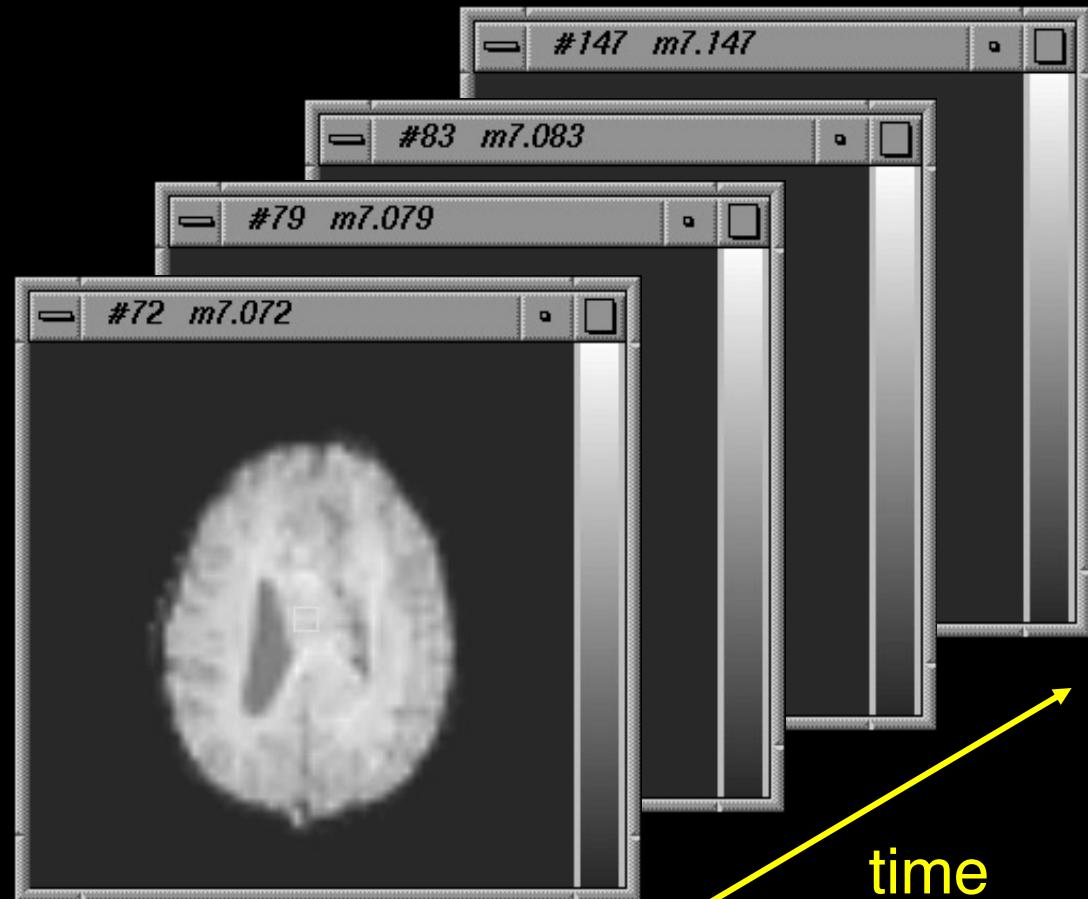
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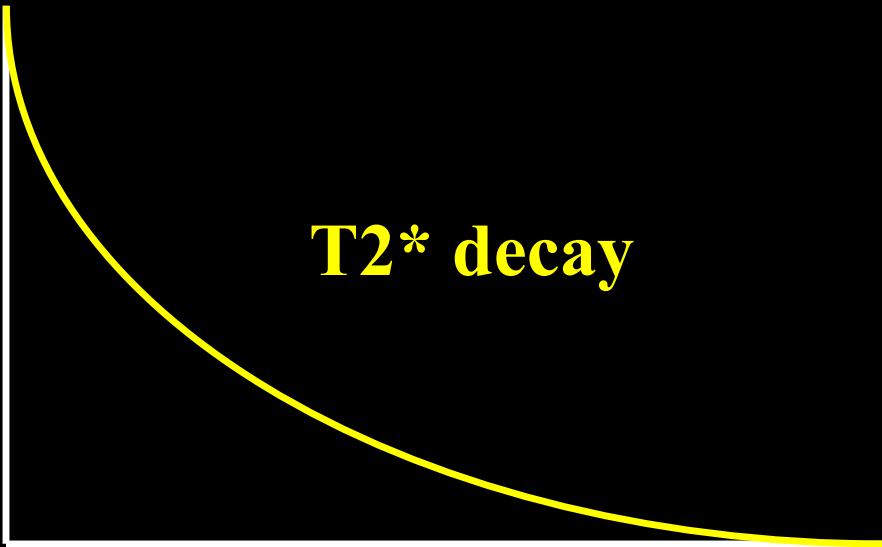
Anatomic



Functional

time

# Single Shot EPI

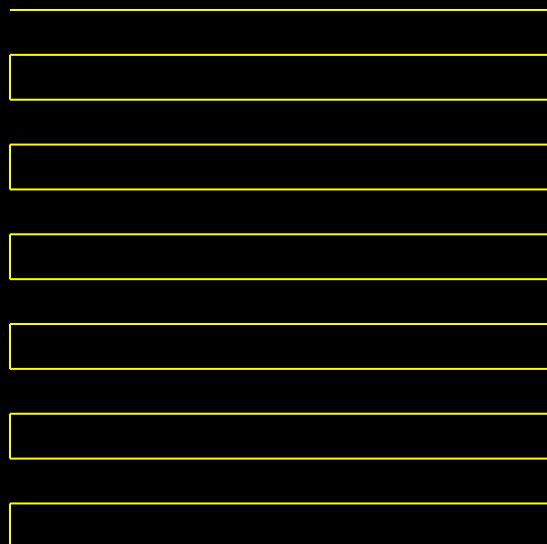
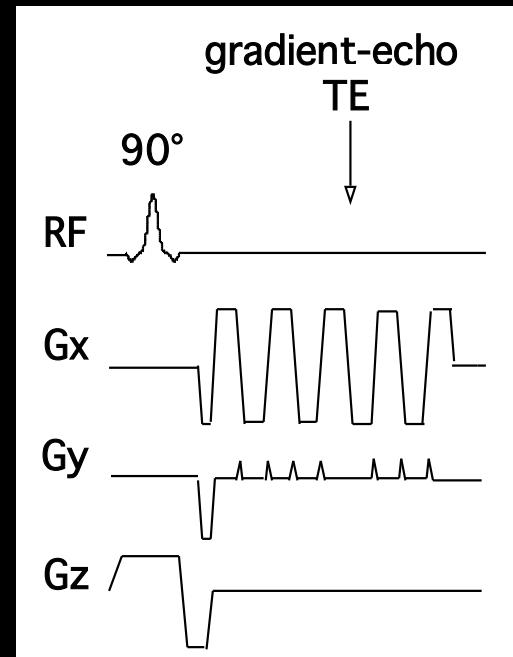


**T2\* decay**

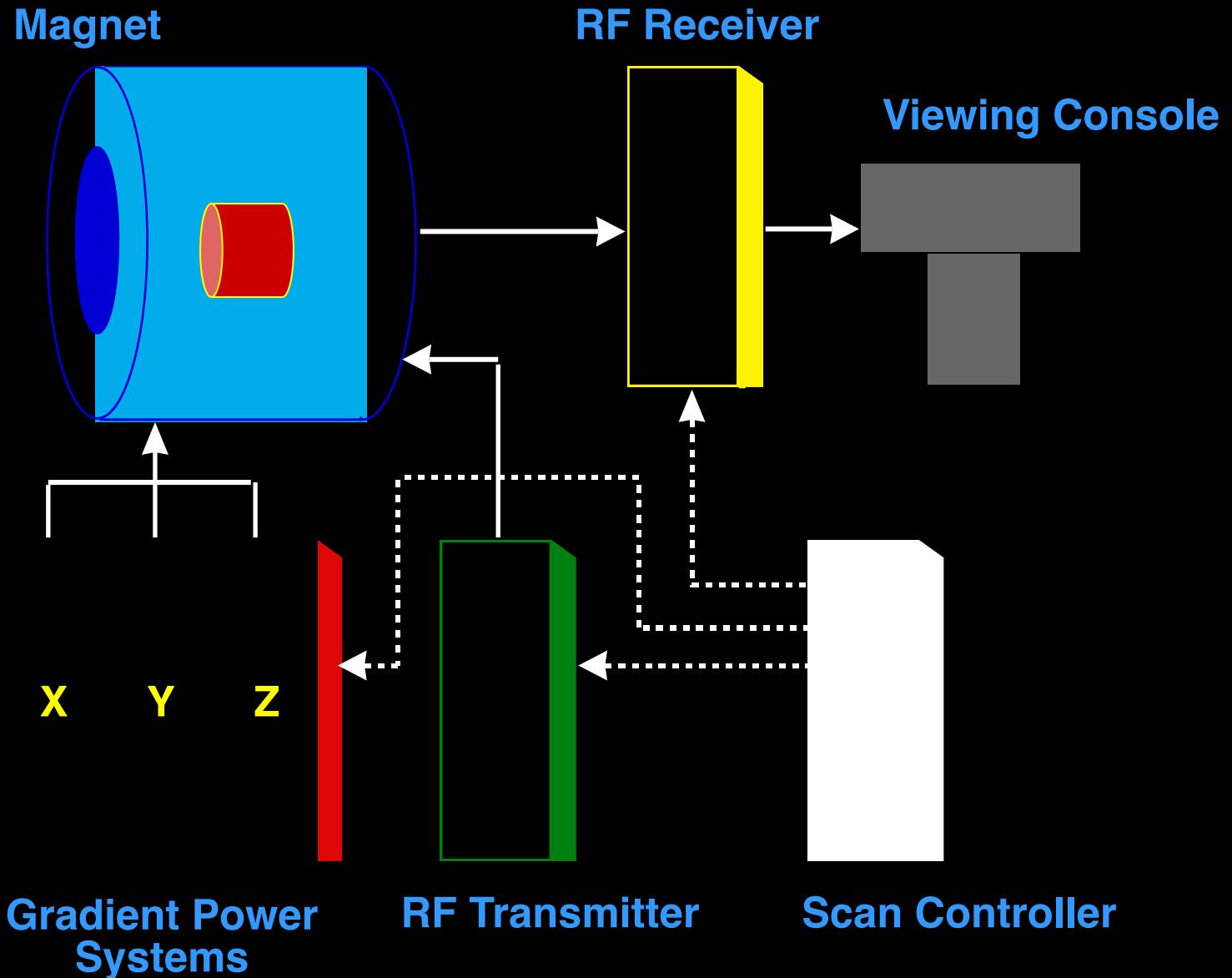


EPI Readout Window

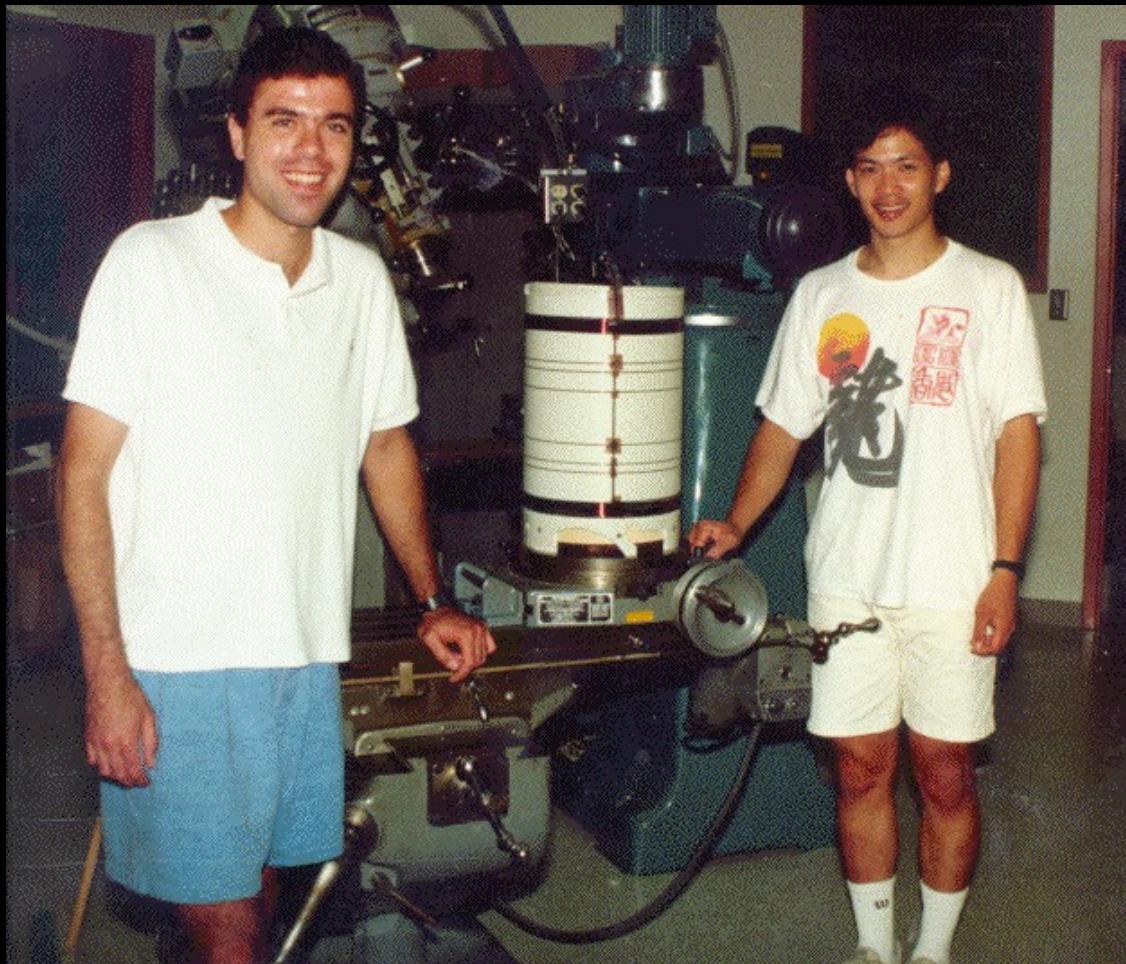
**$\approx 20$  to 40 ms**



# Imaging System Components



# Local gradients solved the problem



August, 1991

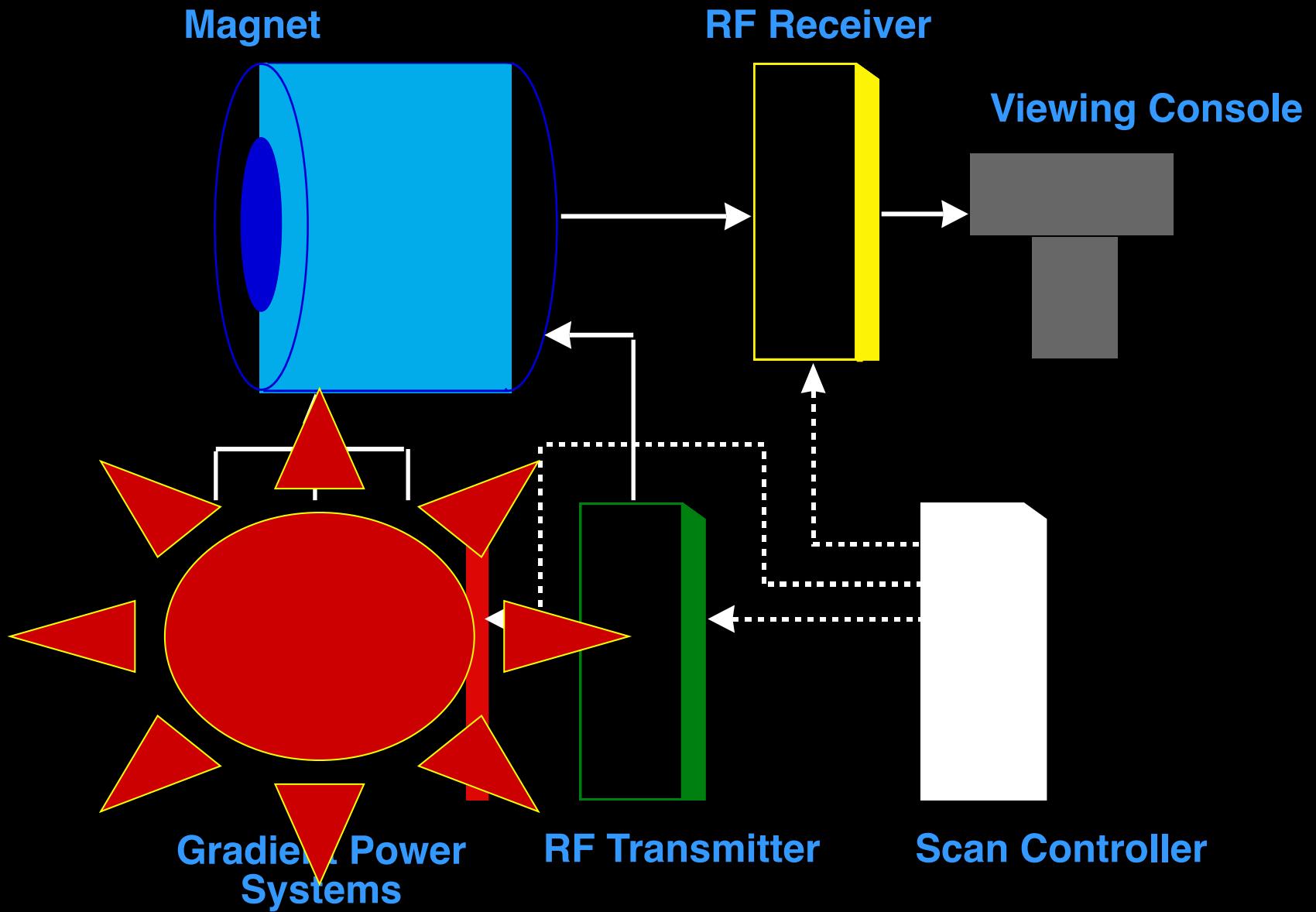
**1991-1992**



**1992-1999**



# Imaging System Components



# General Electric 3 Tesla Scanner



# Functional MRI Methods

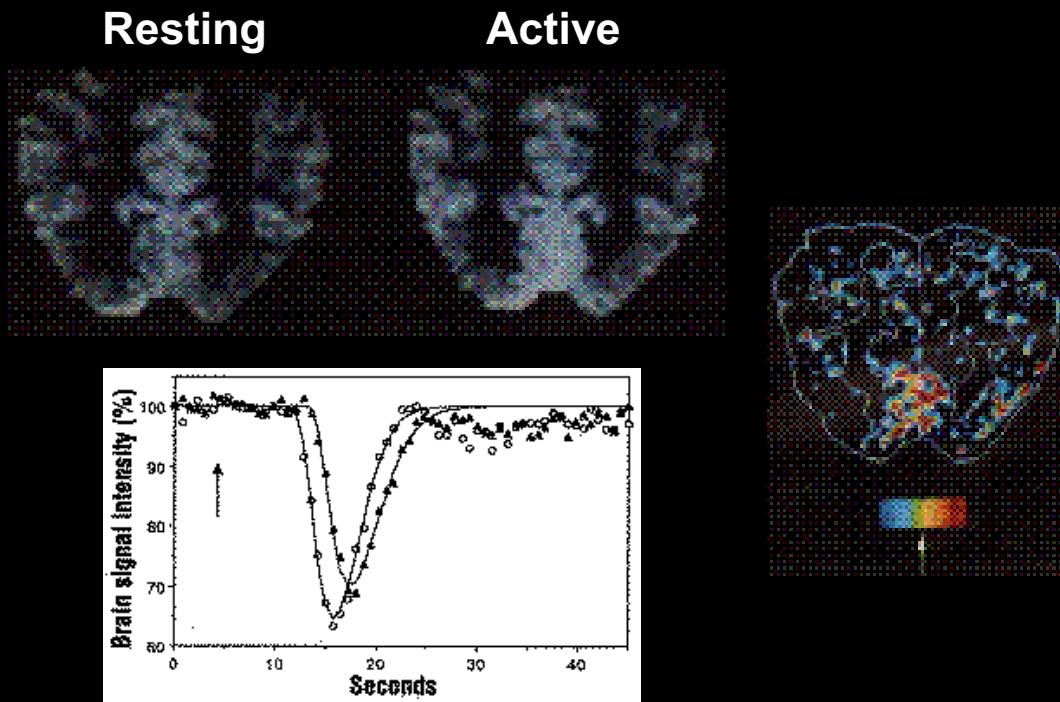
Blood Volume Imaging

BOLD Contrast

Arterial Spin Labeling

# Blood Volume Imaging

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



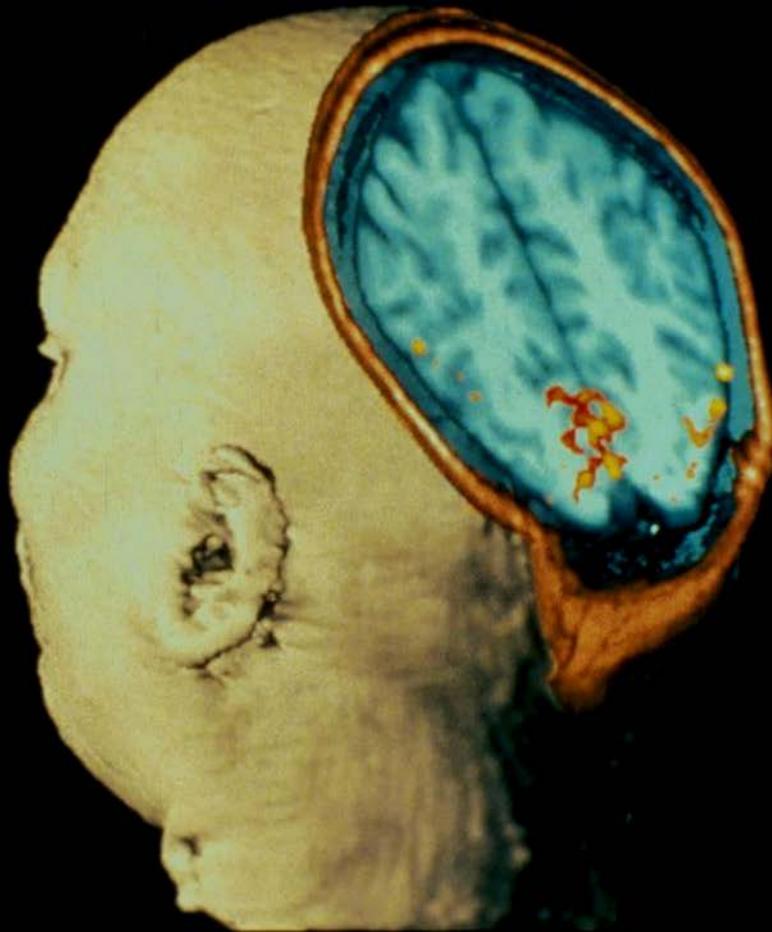
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**Photic  
Stimulation**

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

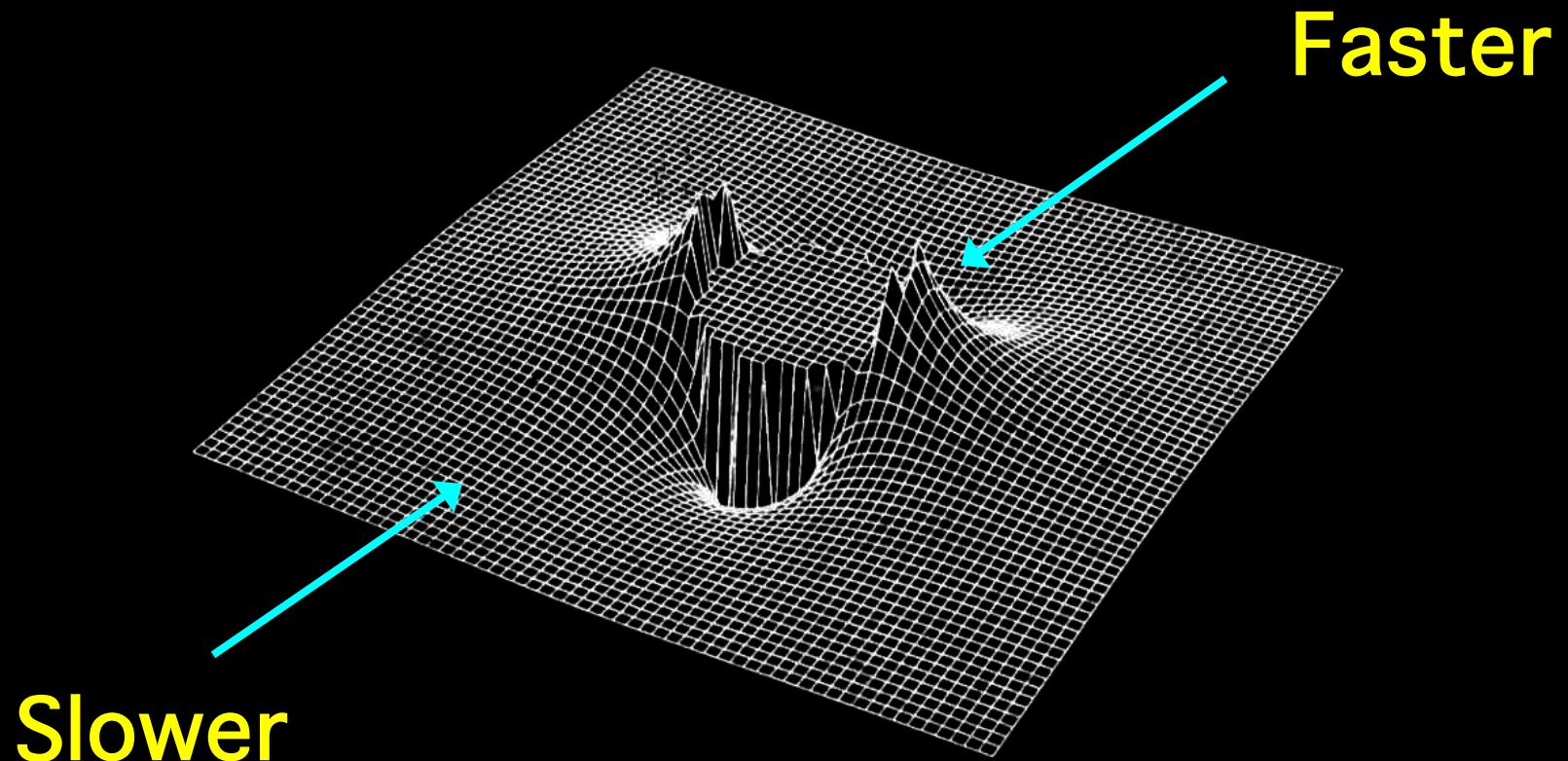
**From Belliveau, et al.  
Science Nov 1991**

**MSC - perfusion**

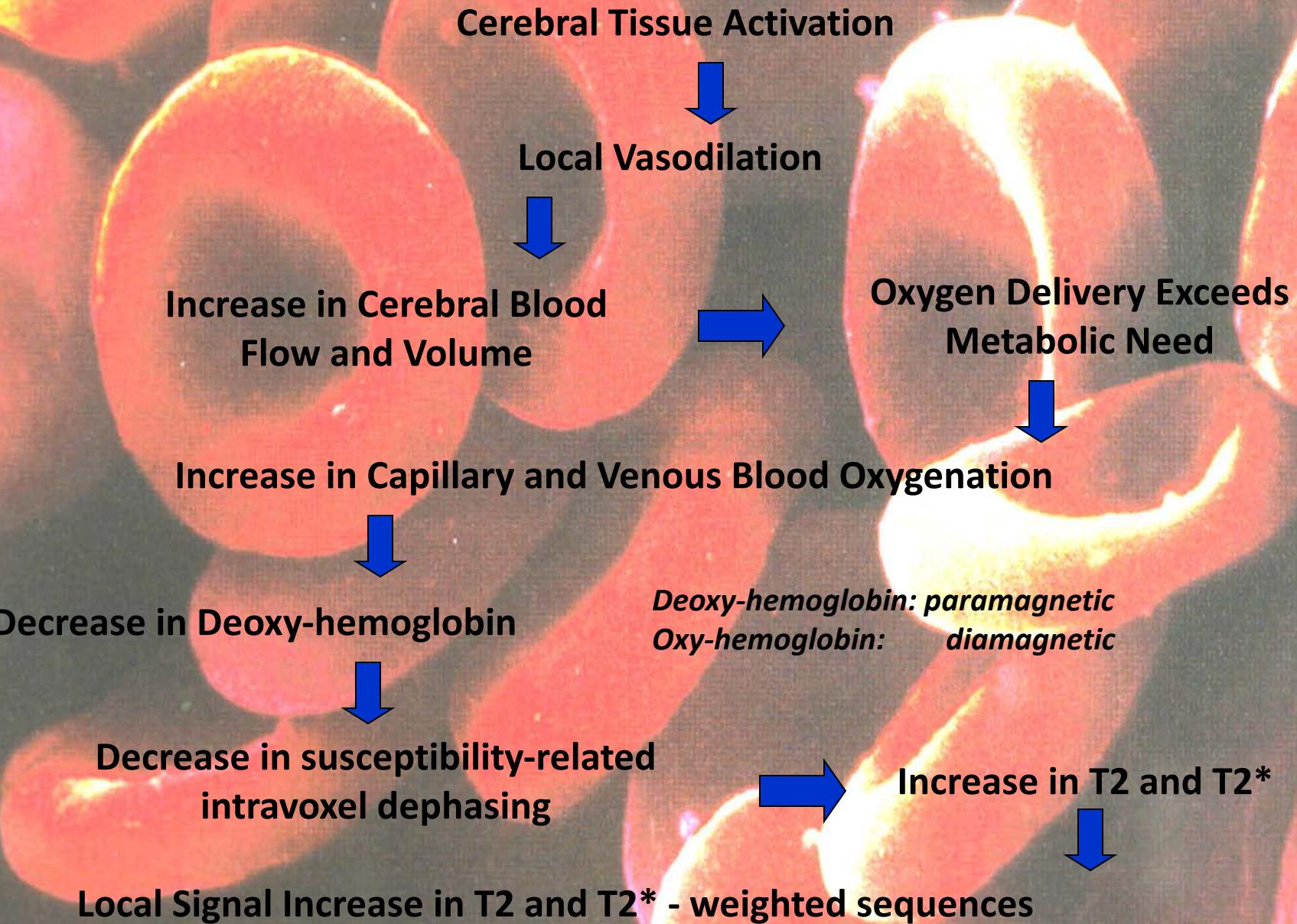


# Susceptibility Contrast

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

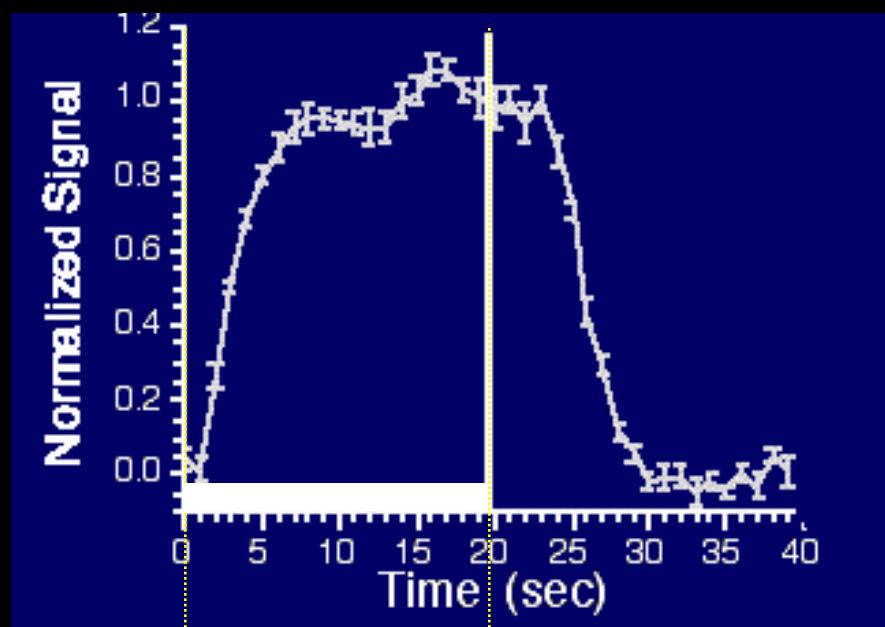


# BOLD Contrast in the Detection of Neuronal Activity

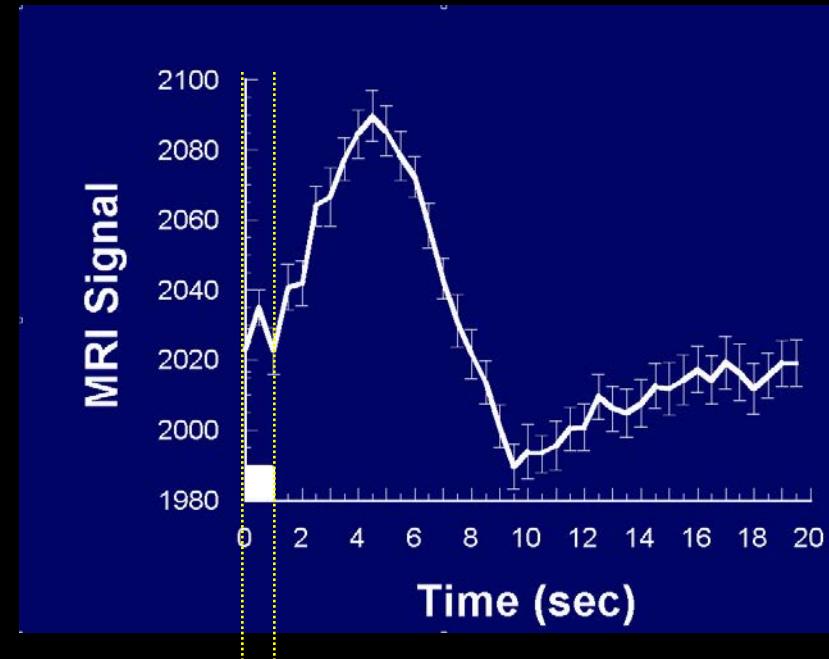


# The BOLD Signal

Blood Oxxygenation Level Dependent (BOLD) signal changes



*task*



*task*

# Alternating Left and Right Finger Tapping



~ 1992

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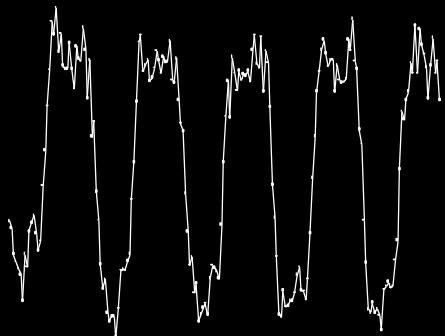
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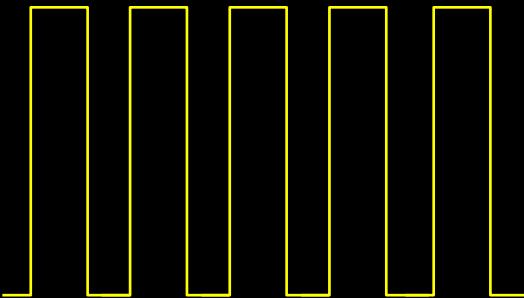
# Creating a Functional Image

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Signal Time Course

X



Reference Function

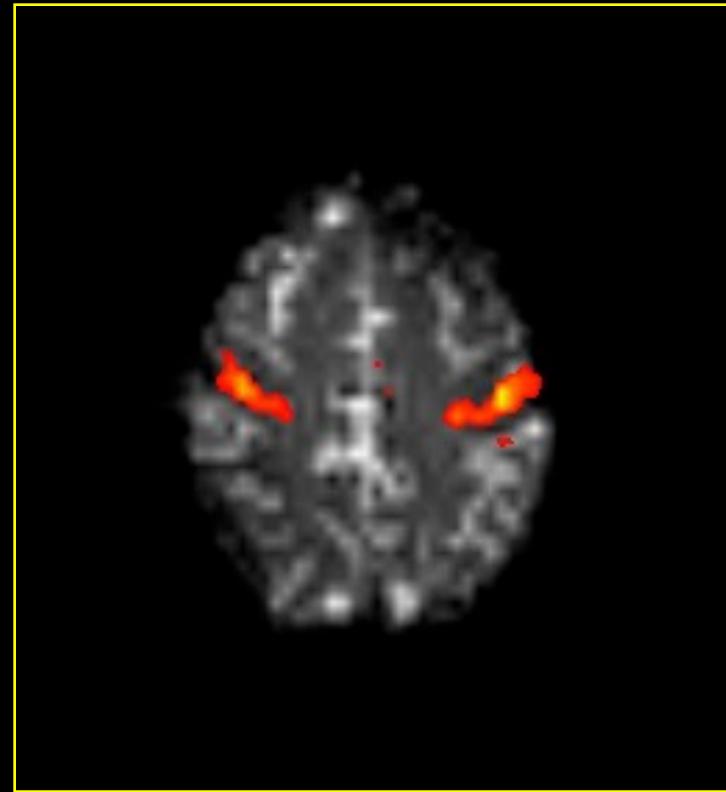
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Cross Correlation Image



Cross Correlation Image  
Anatomical Image

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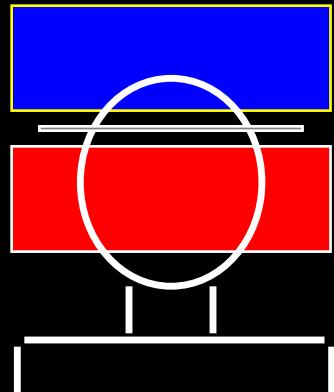
**Correlation analysis, Fourier analysis, t-test, f-test...  
SPM, AFNI, brain voyager, FIASCO, FSL, free surfer...**



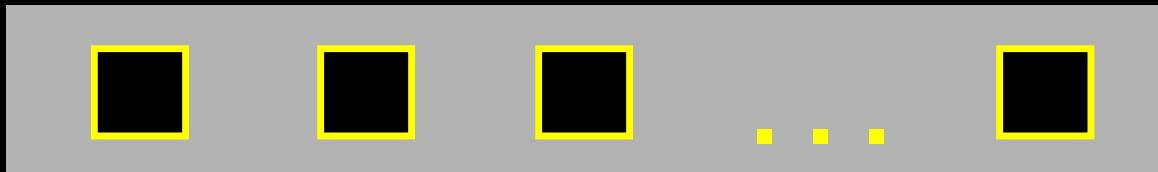
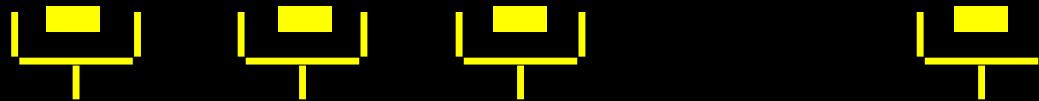
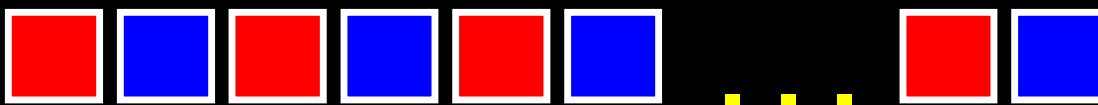
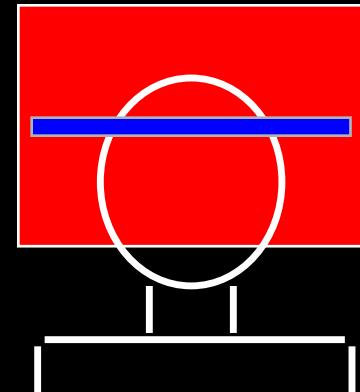
*Quality of results and importance of the findings depends on  
type of question asked, experimental method, and analysis method...*

# Blood Perfusion

EPISTAR



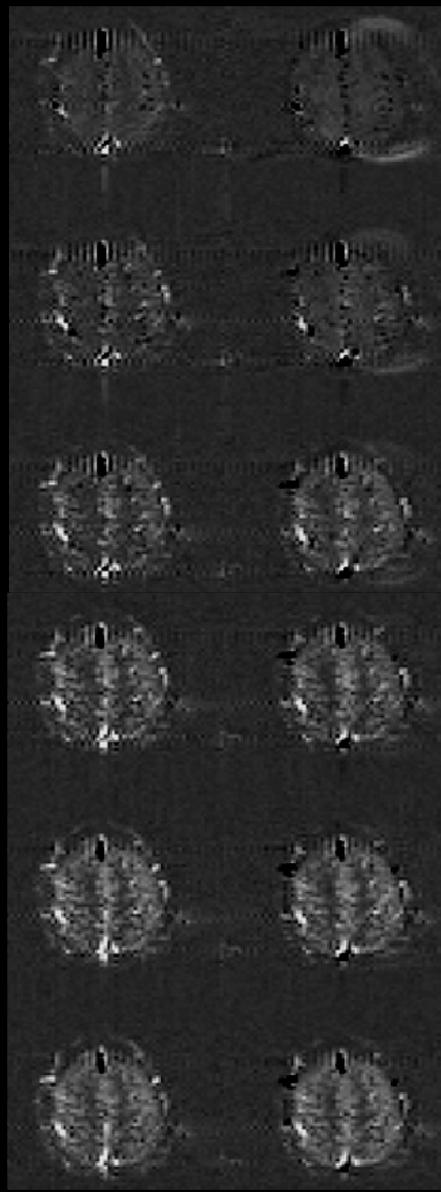
FAIR



Perfusion  
Time Series

**TI (ms) FAIR EPISTAR**

**200**



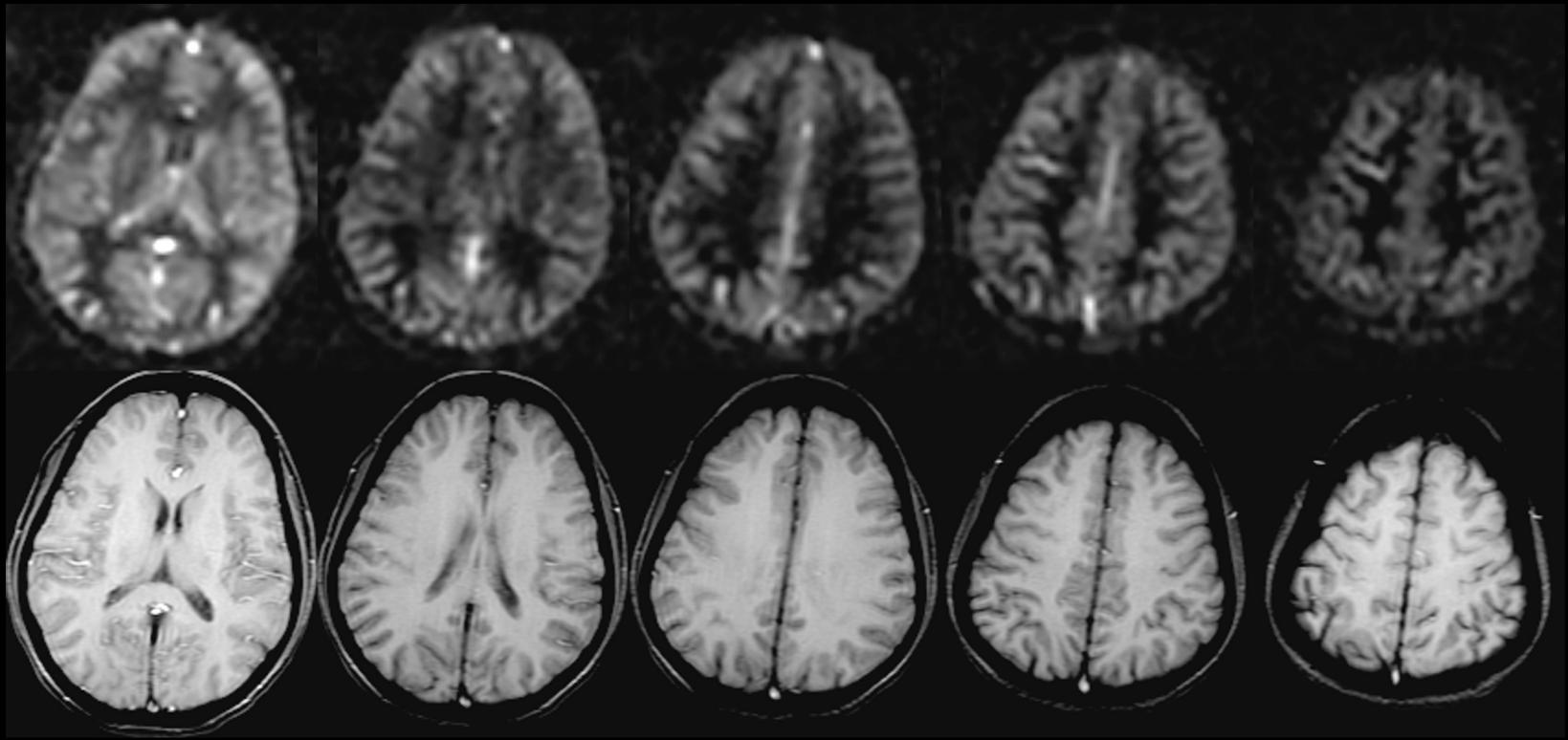
**400**

**600**

**800**

**1000**

**1200**



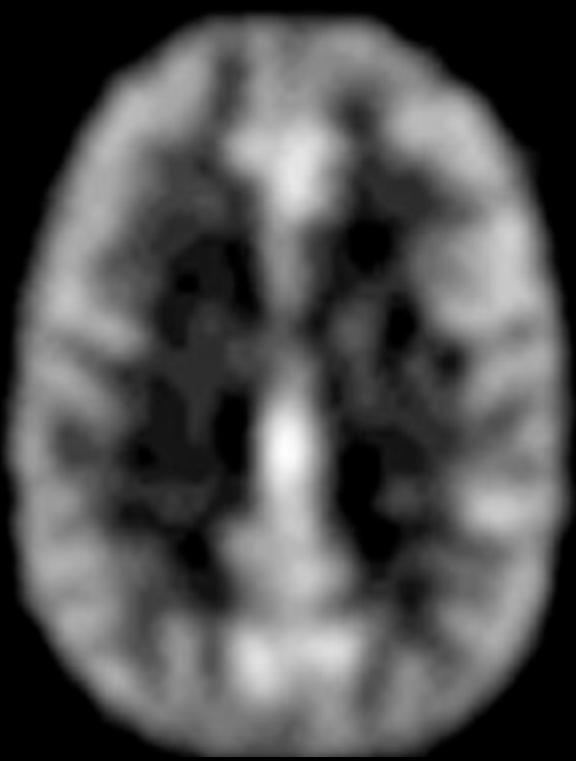
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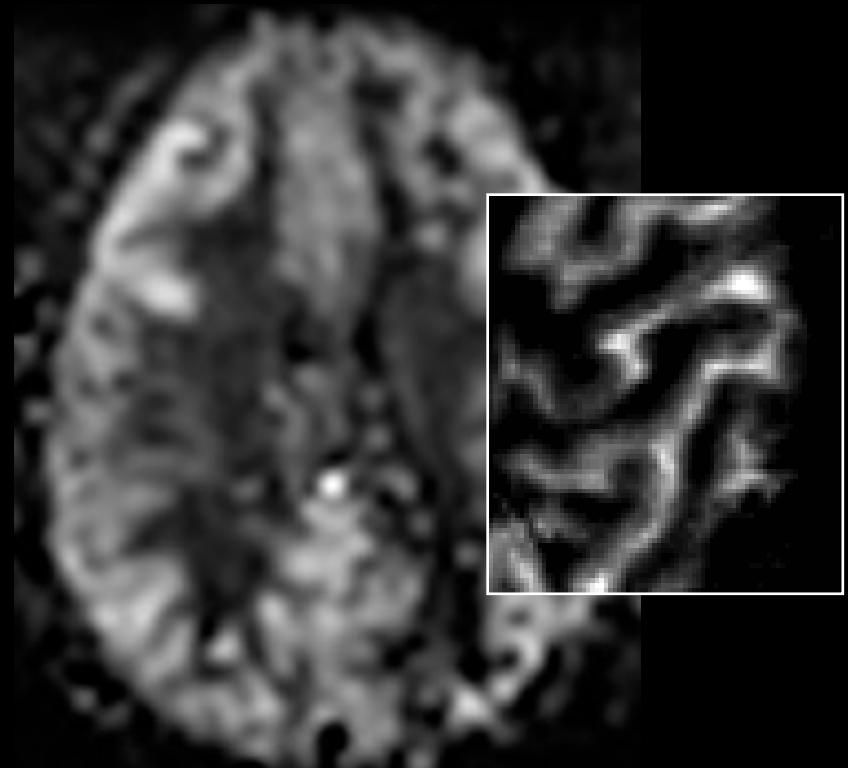
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# Comparison with Positron Emission Tomography



PET:  $\text{H}_2^{15}\text{O}$

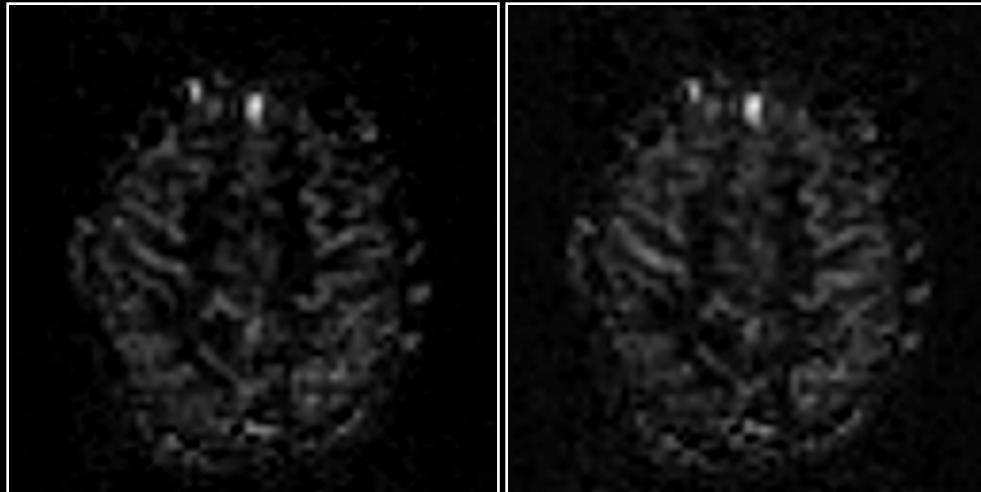


MRI: ASL

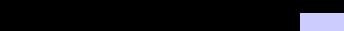
# Perfusion

*Rest*

*Activation*



# 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

# Refinements

BOLD Contrast Interpretation

Dynamics

Paradigm Design and Processing

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# The Neuroscientists' Challenge:

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

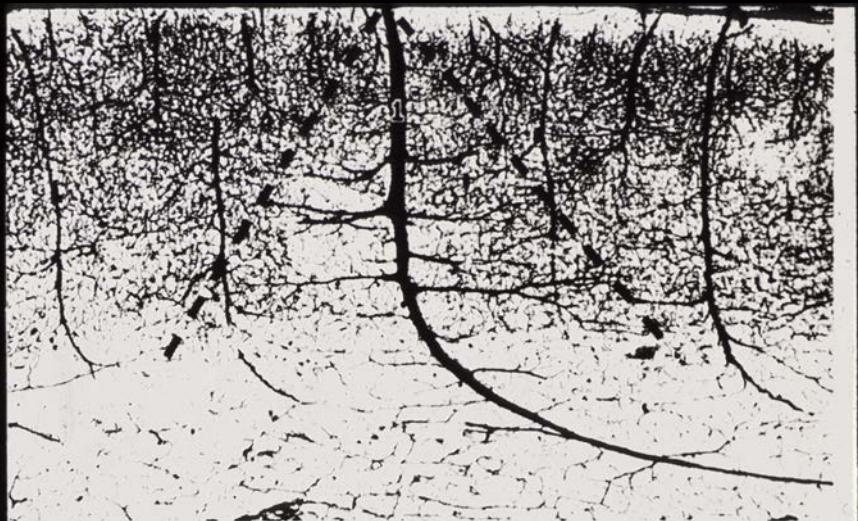
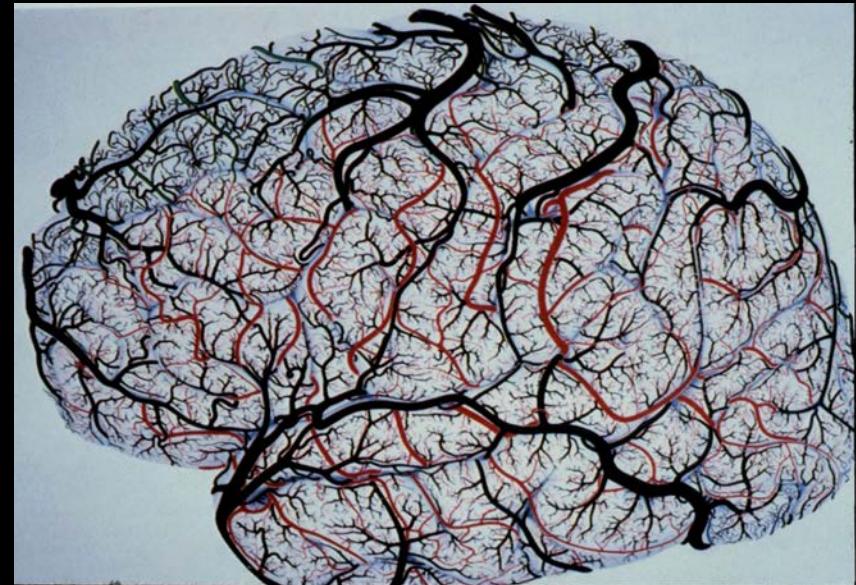
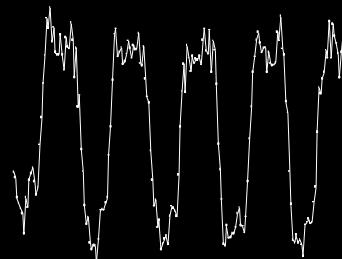
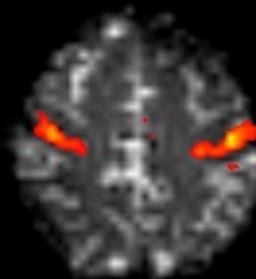


FIG. 43. Middle temporal gyrus. Female, 60 years. (1) Principal intracortical vein. The branches length regularly decreases from deep towards superficial cortical regions, thus the vascular territory of the principal vein has a conical appearance (dotted line) ( $\times 28$ )



# The use of fMRI for the Investigation of Brain Function and Physiology

- Where?



- When?

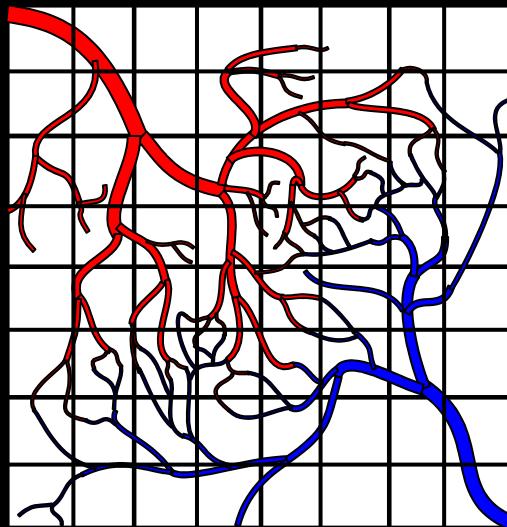
- How much?

- How to get the brain to do what we want it to do in the context of an fMRI experiment?

*(limitations: limited time and signal to noise, motion, acoustic noise)*

- How much more information can we obtain?

Neuronal  
Activation



Measured  
Signal

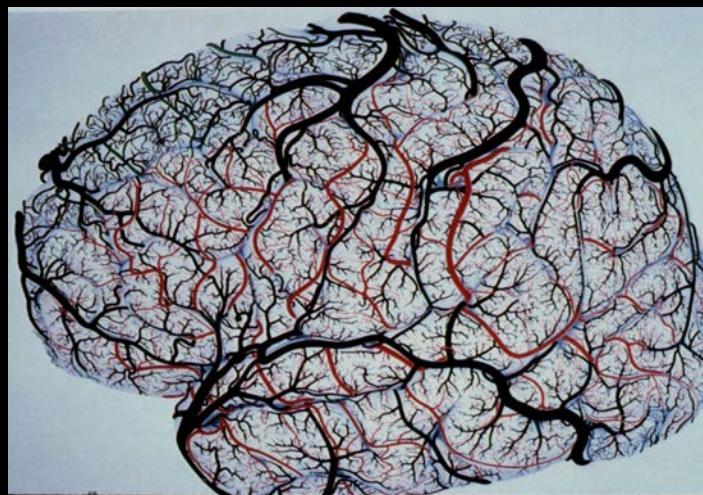
Hemodynamics

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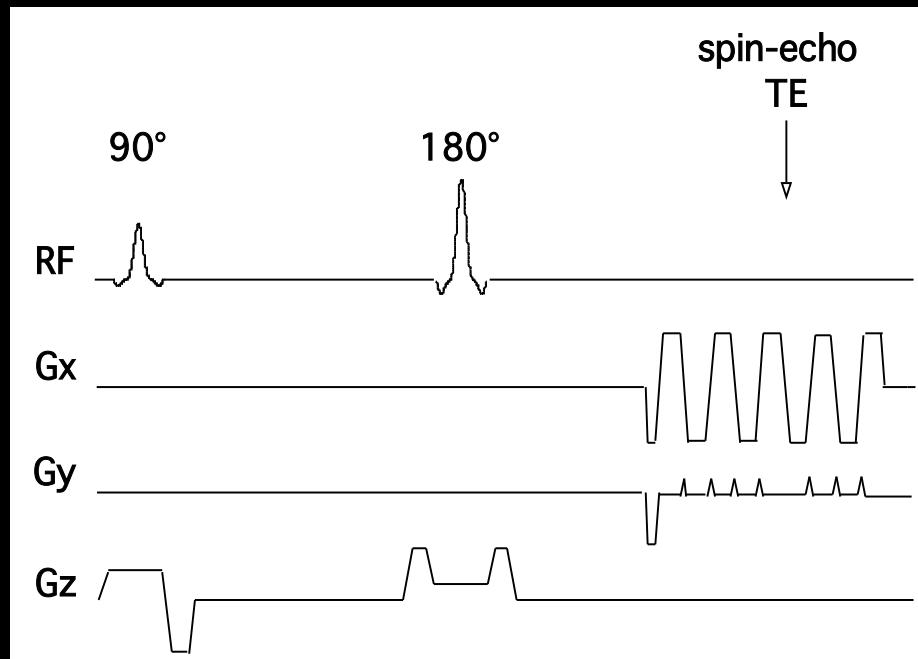
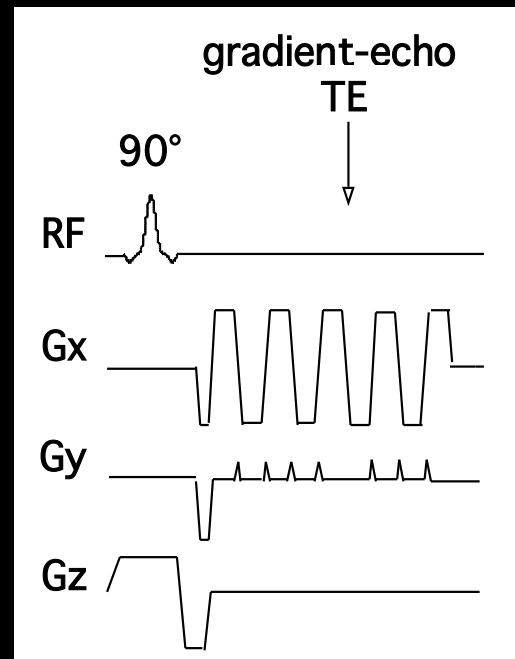
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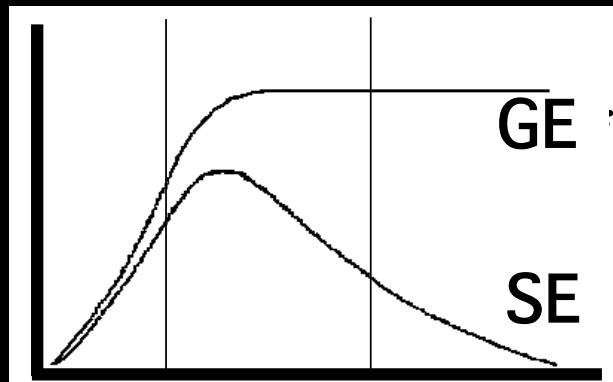
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# Gradient-Echo EPI

# Spin-Echo EPI



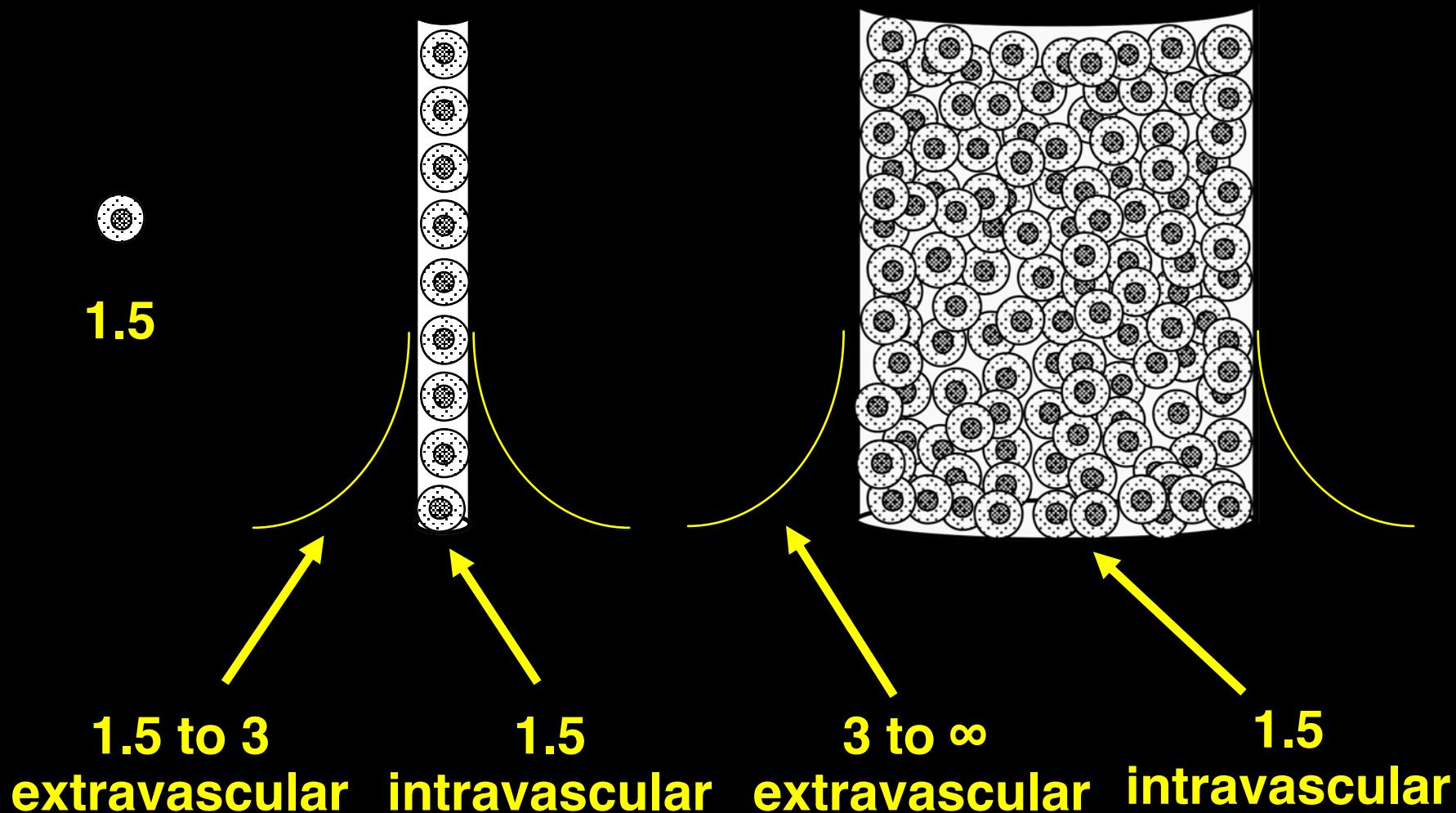
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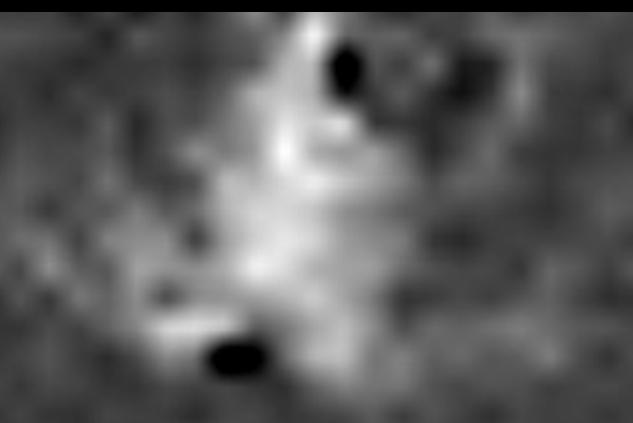


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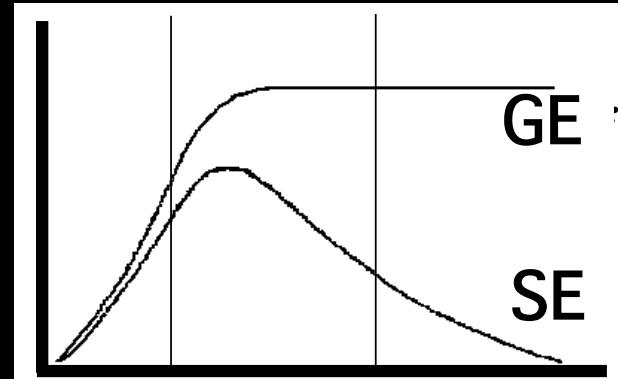
compartment size

# $\Delta R2^* / \Delta R2$





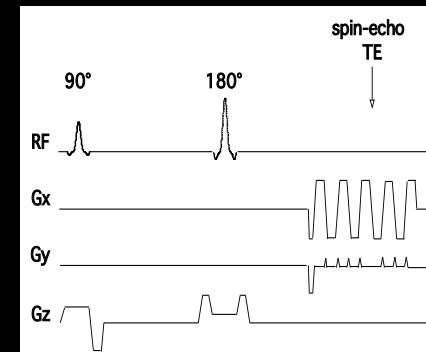
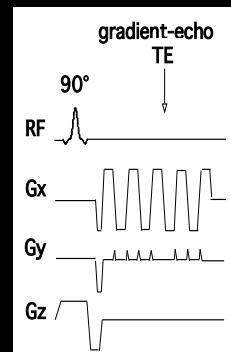
# Contrast



2.5 to 3  $\mu\text{m}$    3 to 15  $\mu\text{m}$    15 to  $\infty$   $\mu\text{m}$

**compartment size**

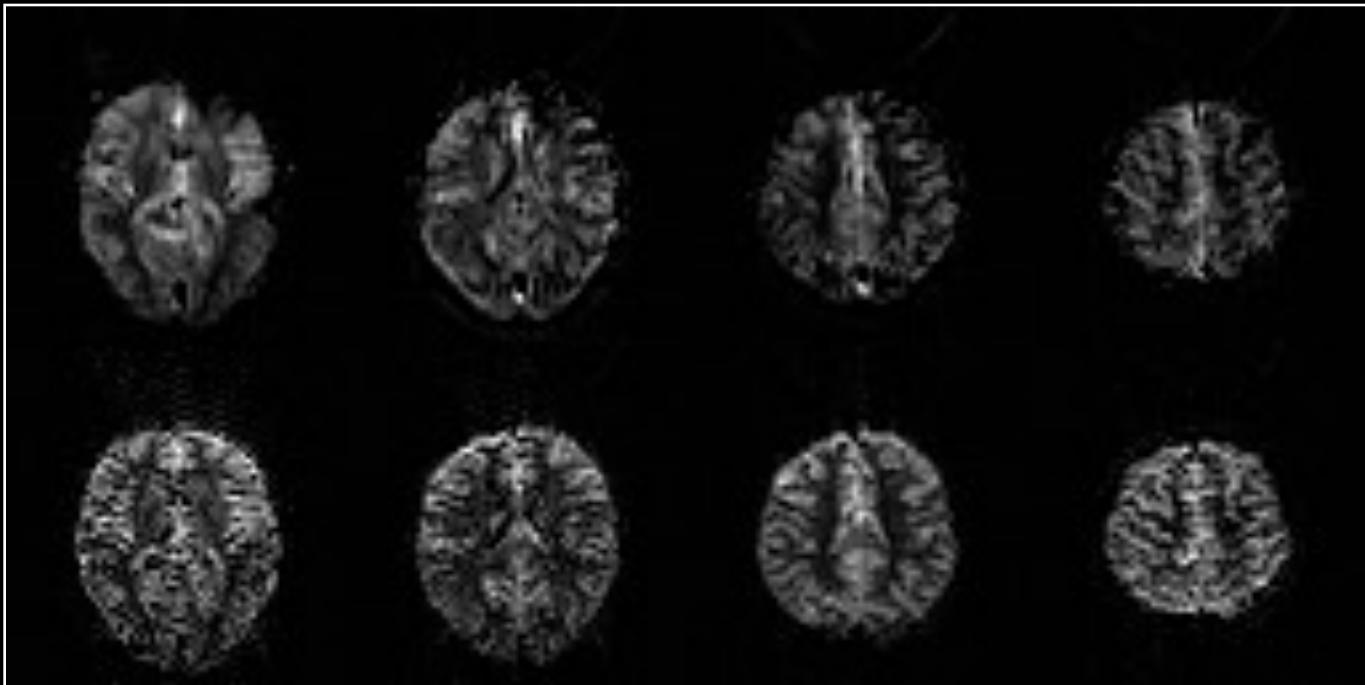
## Gradient - Echo



## Spin - Echo

**GE**  
**TE = 30 ms**

**SE**  
**TE = 110 ms**



3T

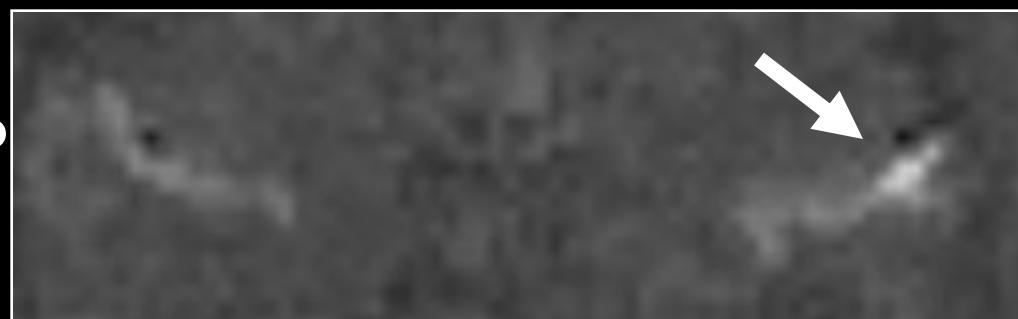
**Spin-Echo**  
TE = 105 ms  
TR =  $\infty$



**Gradient-Echo**  
TE = 50 ms



**Gradient-Echo**  
functional  
TE = 50 ms

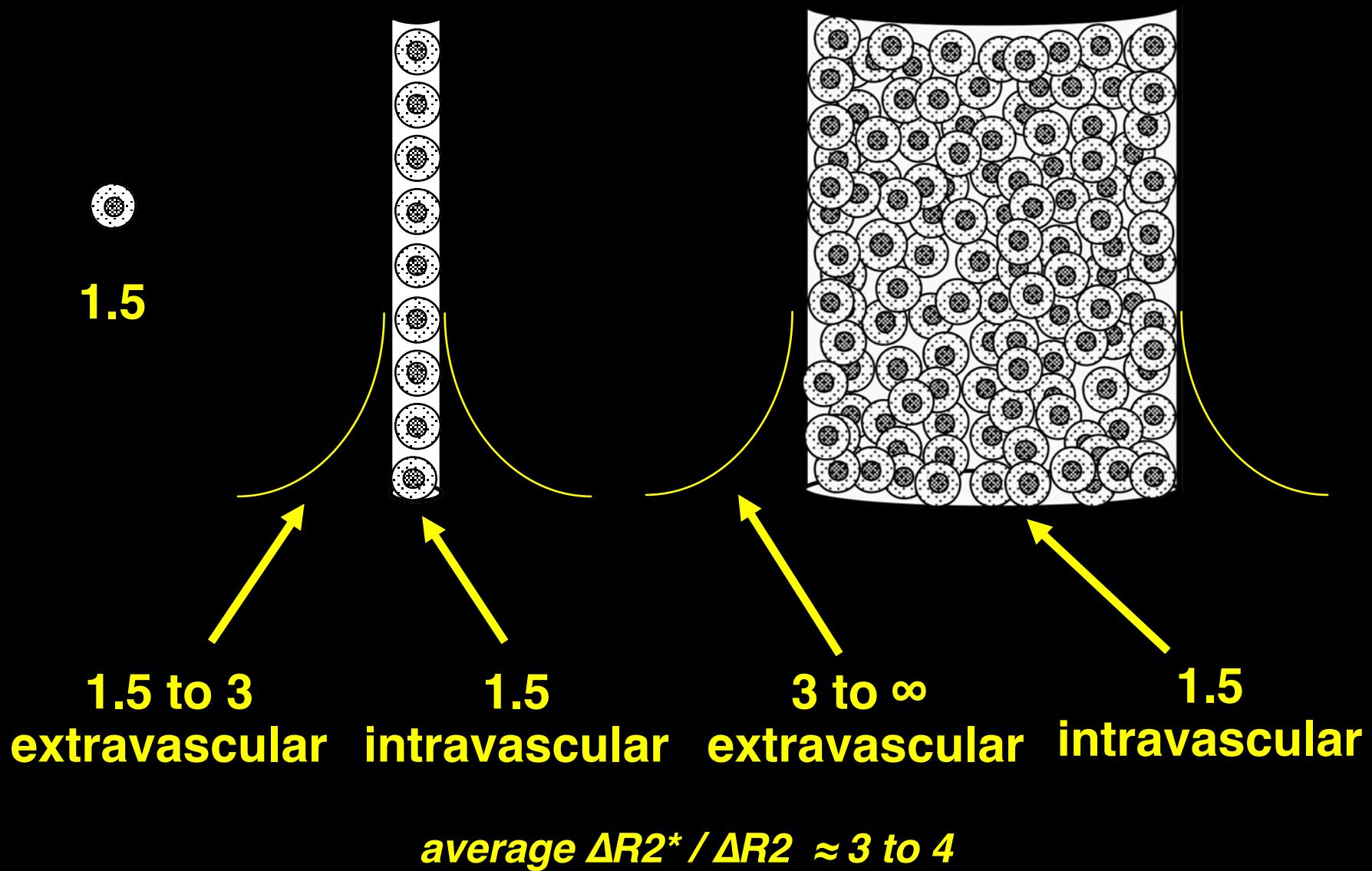


**Spin-Echo**  
functional  
TE = 105 ms



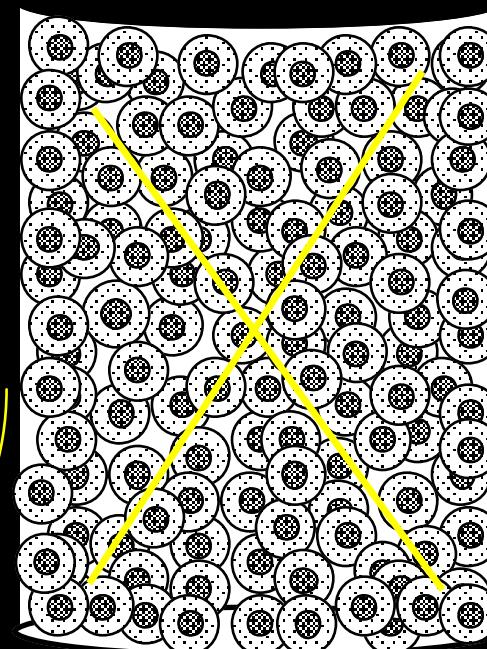
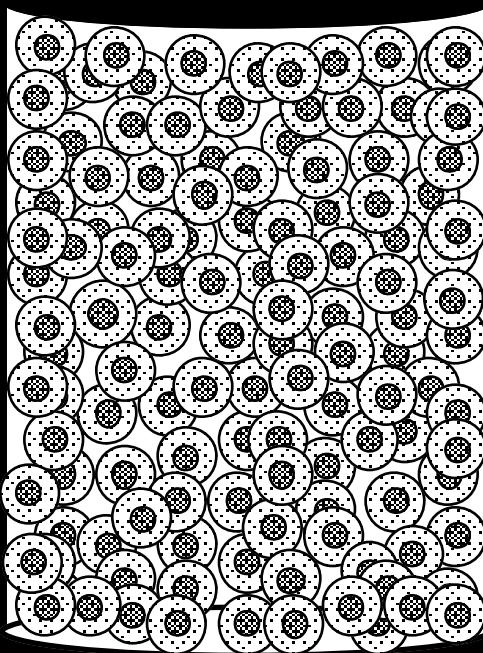
## **Effect of diffusion weighting**

# $\Delta R2^* / \Delta R2$



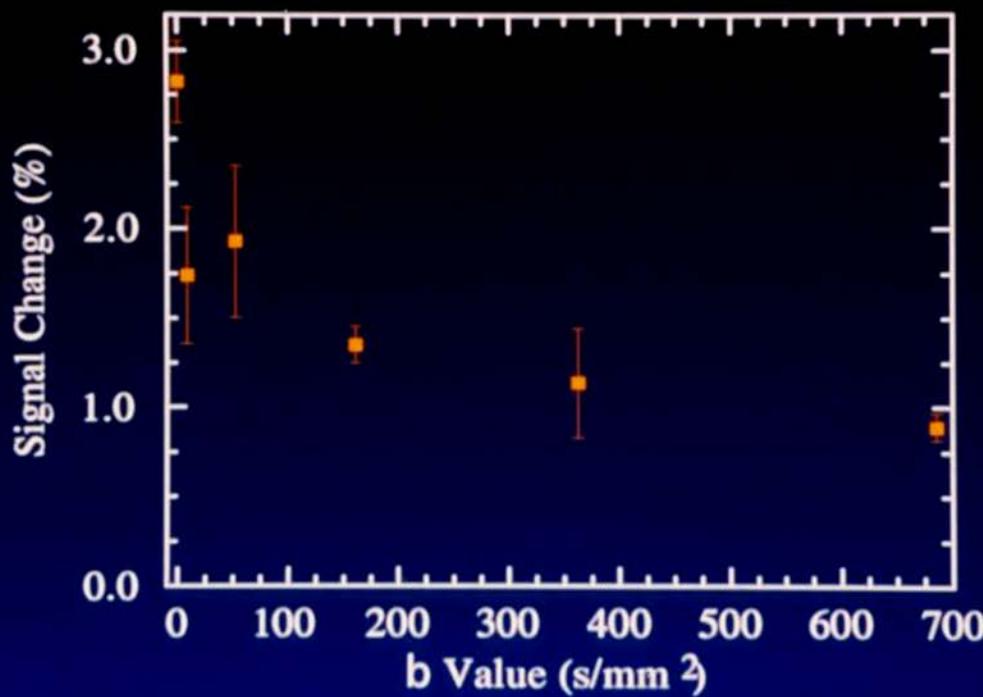
**no diffusion weighting**

**diffusion weighting**



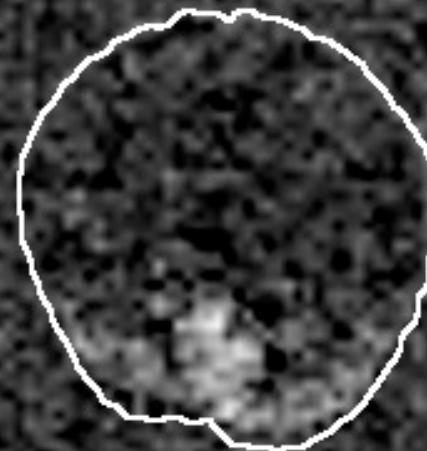
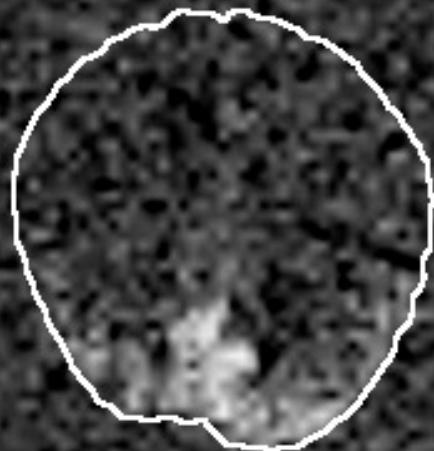
## Summary of Diffusion-Weighted fMRI Data

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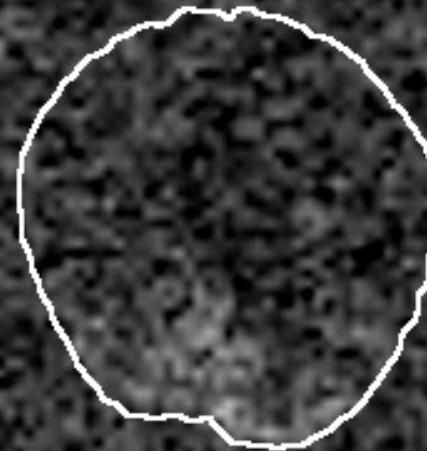
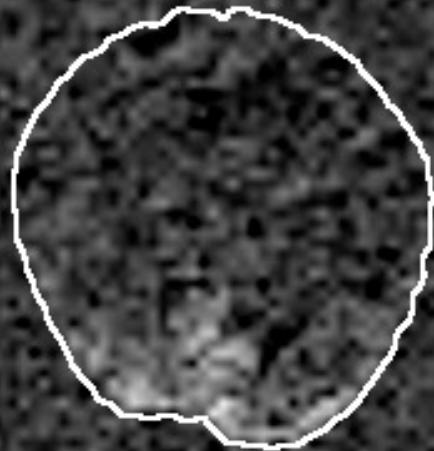
**$b = 0$**

**$b = 10$**



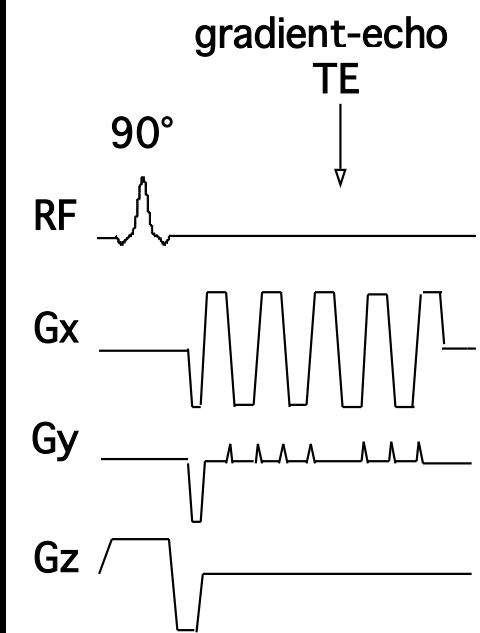
**$b = 50$**

**$b = 160$**

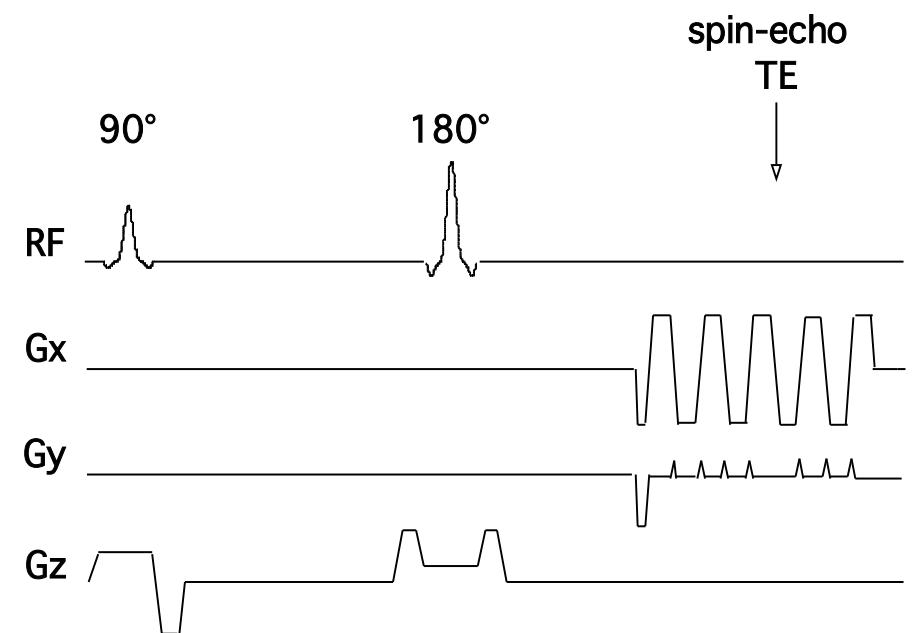


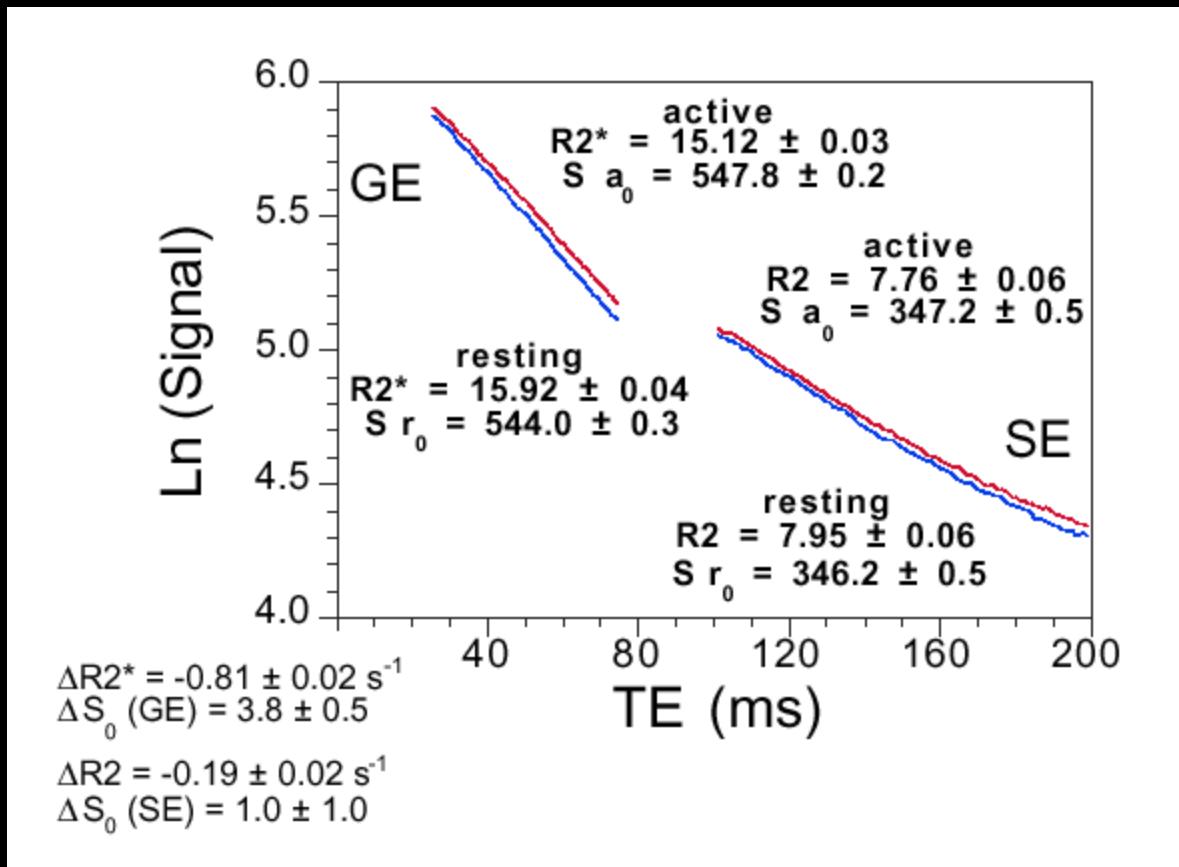
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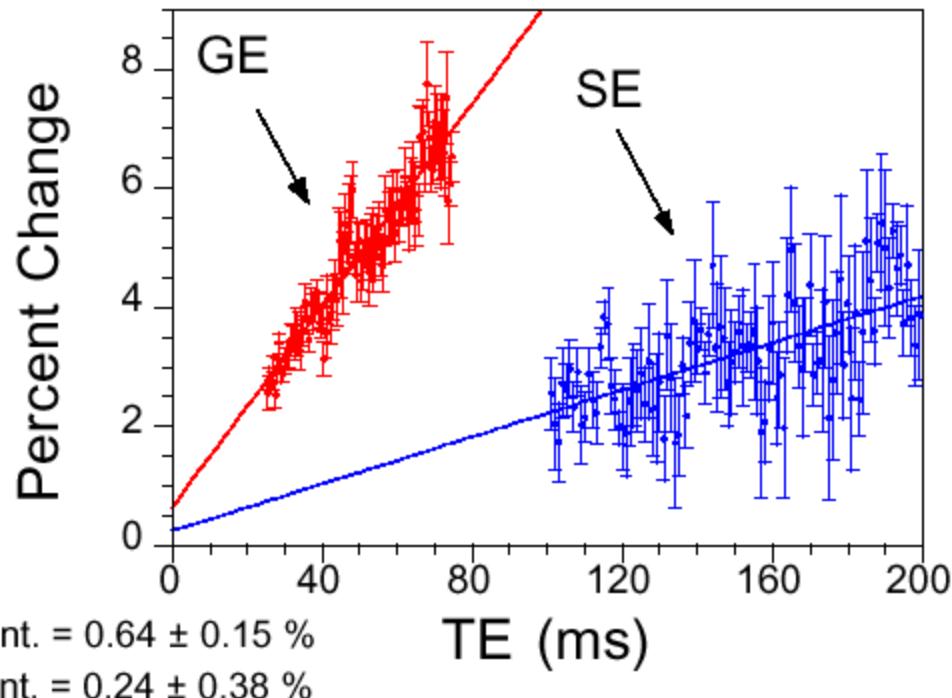
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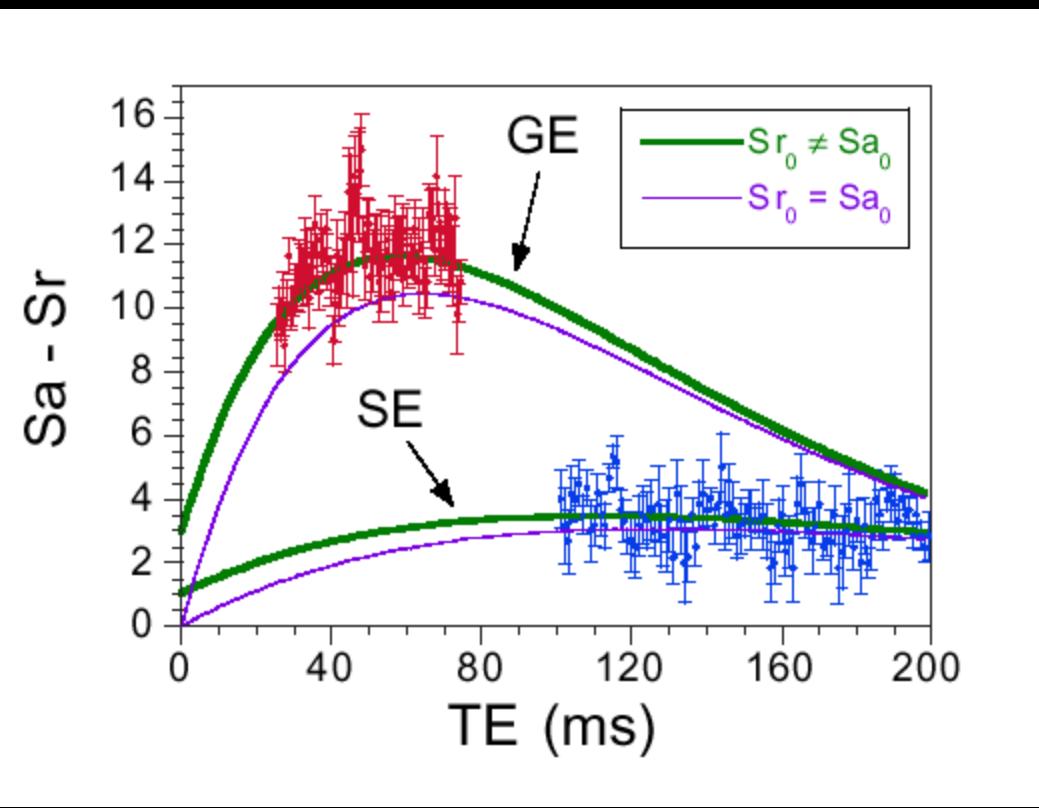


## Spin-Echo EPI





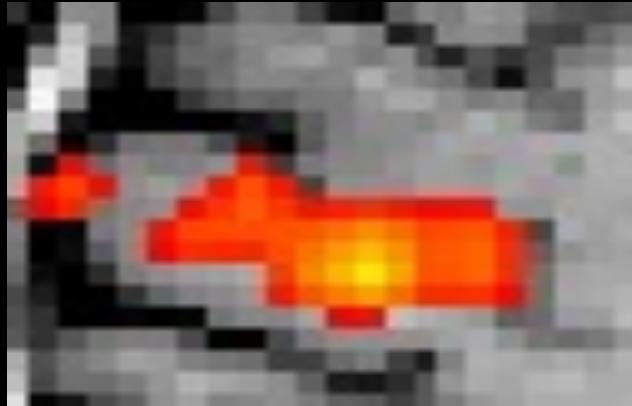




## **Perfusion localization vs. BOLD localization**

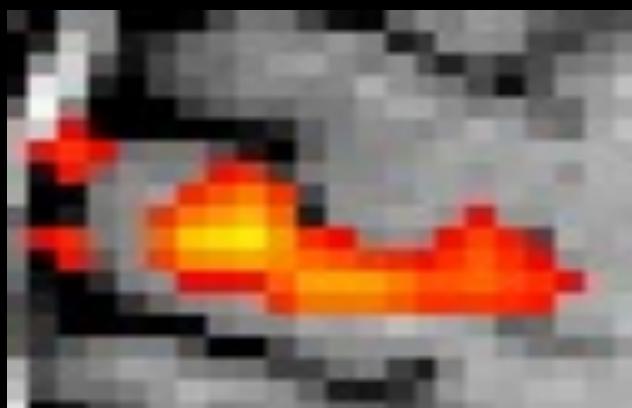
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*Flow weighted*



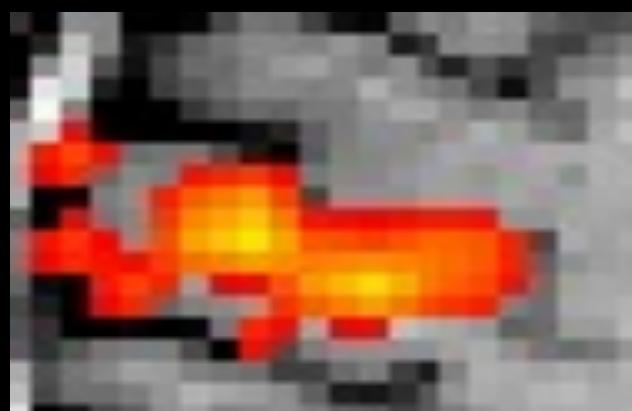
## T2\* weighted

*BOLD weighted*



## T1 and T2\* weighted

*Flow and BOLD weighted*



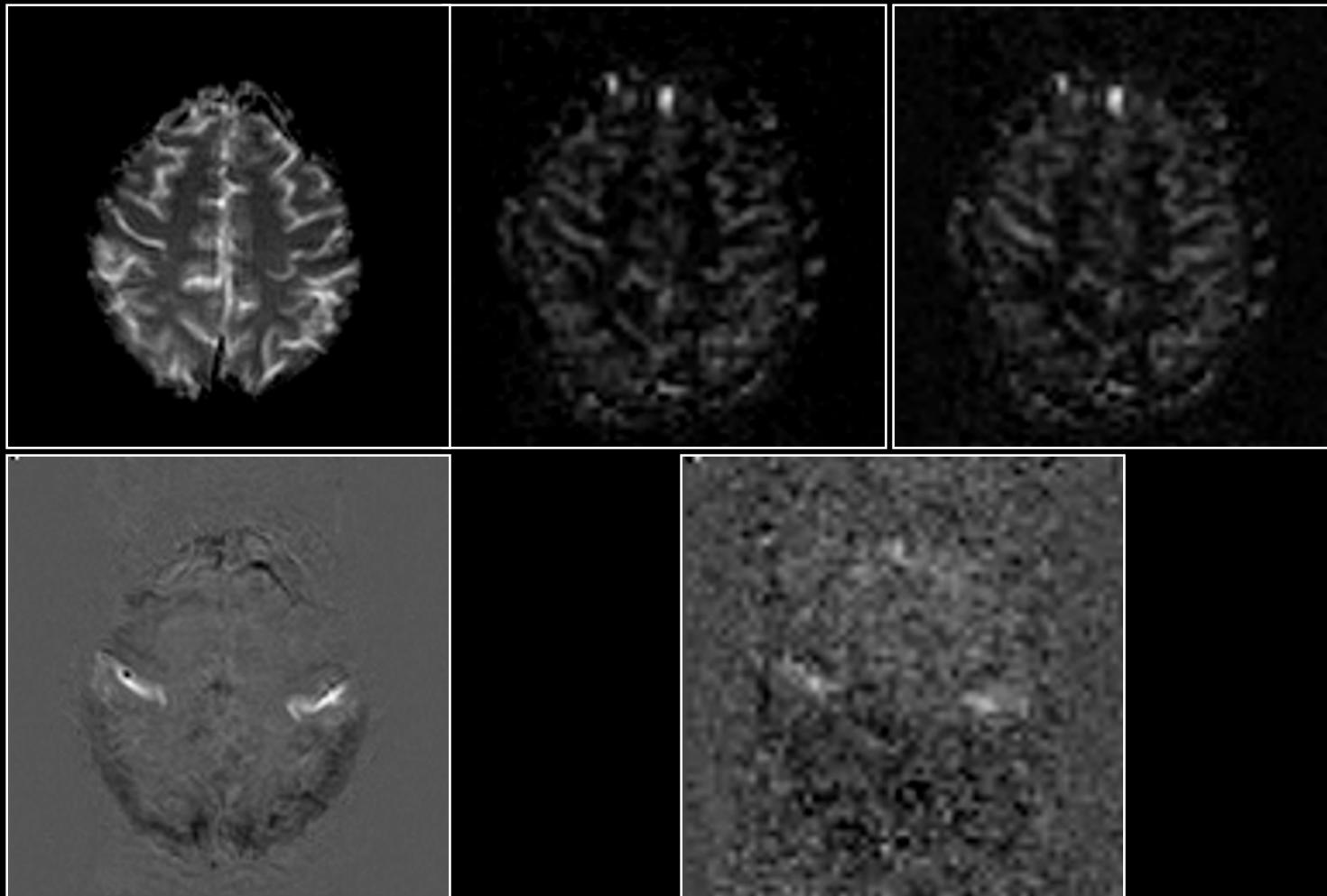
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**BOLD**

*Rest*

**Perfusion**

*Activation*



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# Anatomy



# BOLD

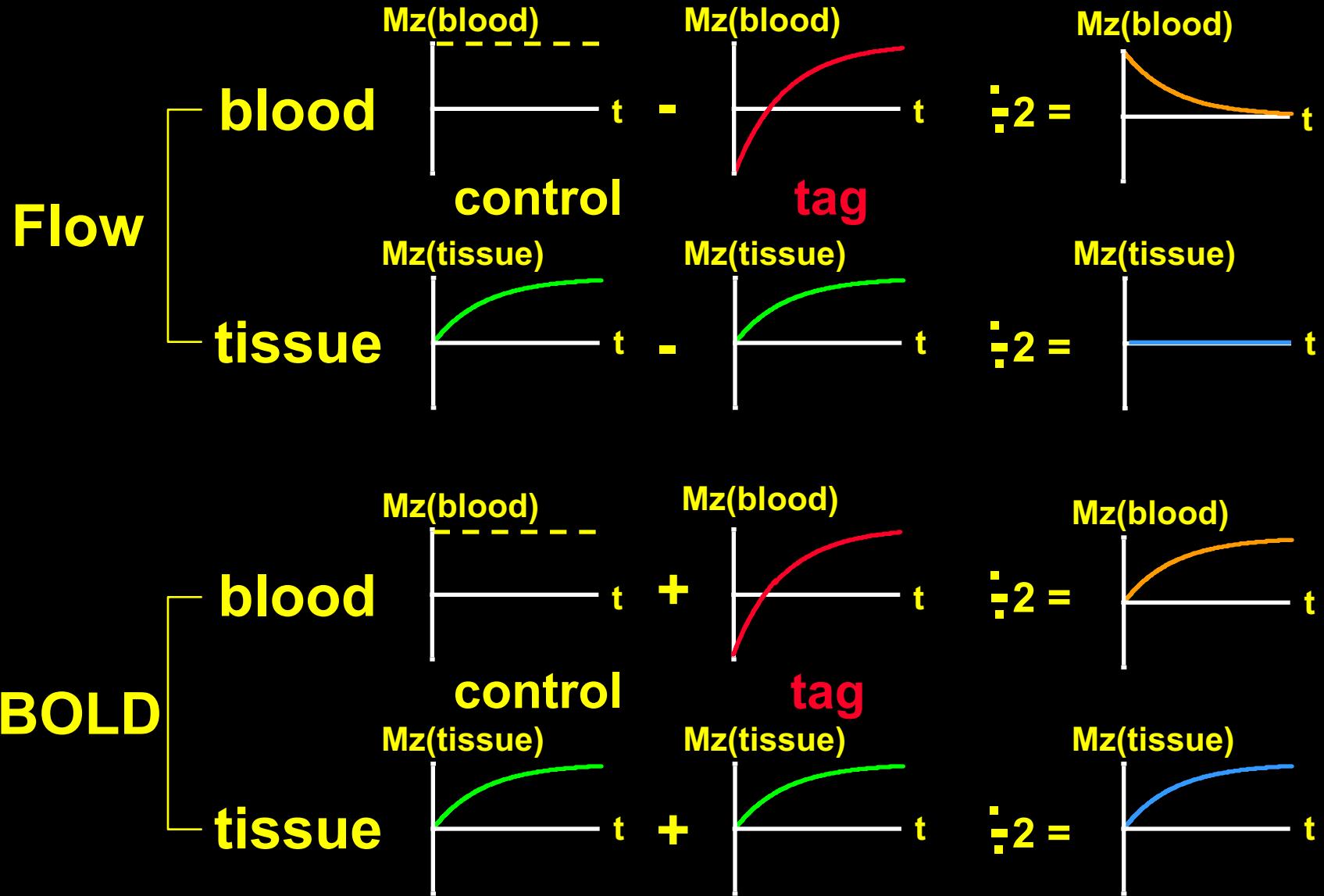


# Perfusion



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# Simultaneous Flow and BOLD



## Simultaneous BOLD and Perfusion



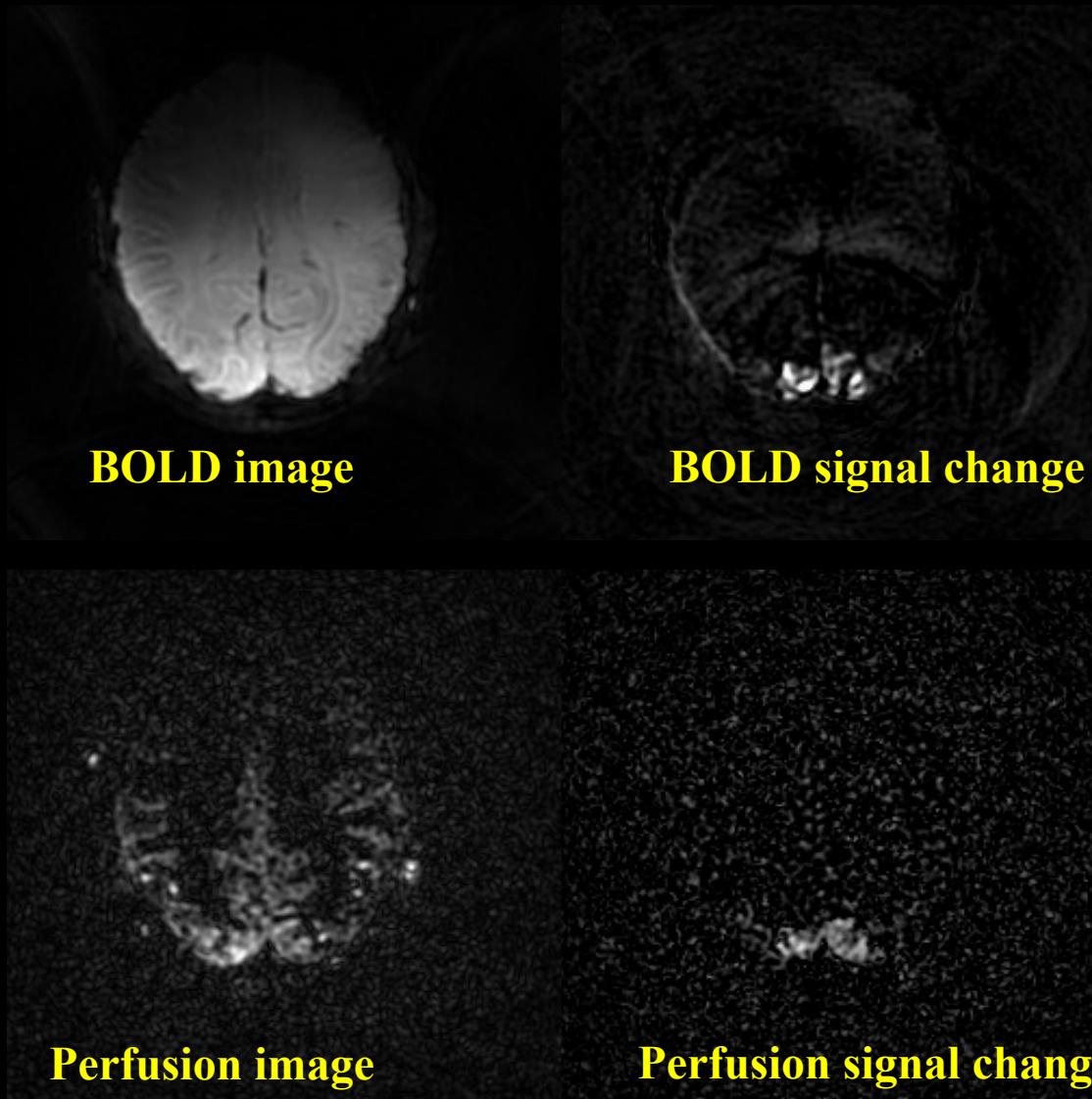
BOLD



Perfusion



# Simultaneous perfusion and BOLD imaging (10 min, 1.5x1.5x4mm<sup>3</sup>)



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# What Changes with Field Strength?

Tissue Relaxation Characteristics

Functional Contrast

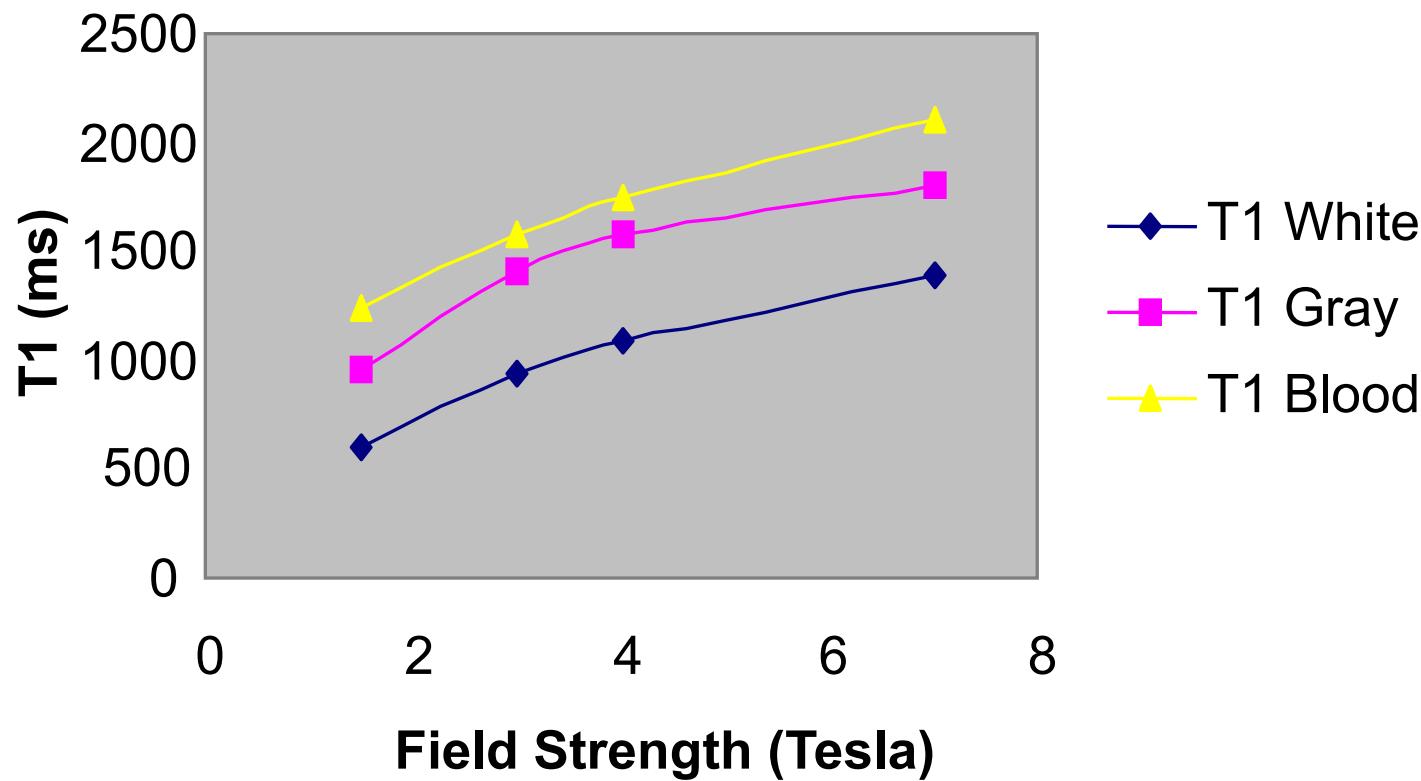
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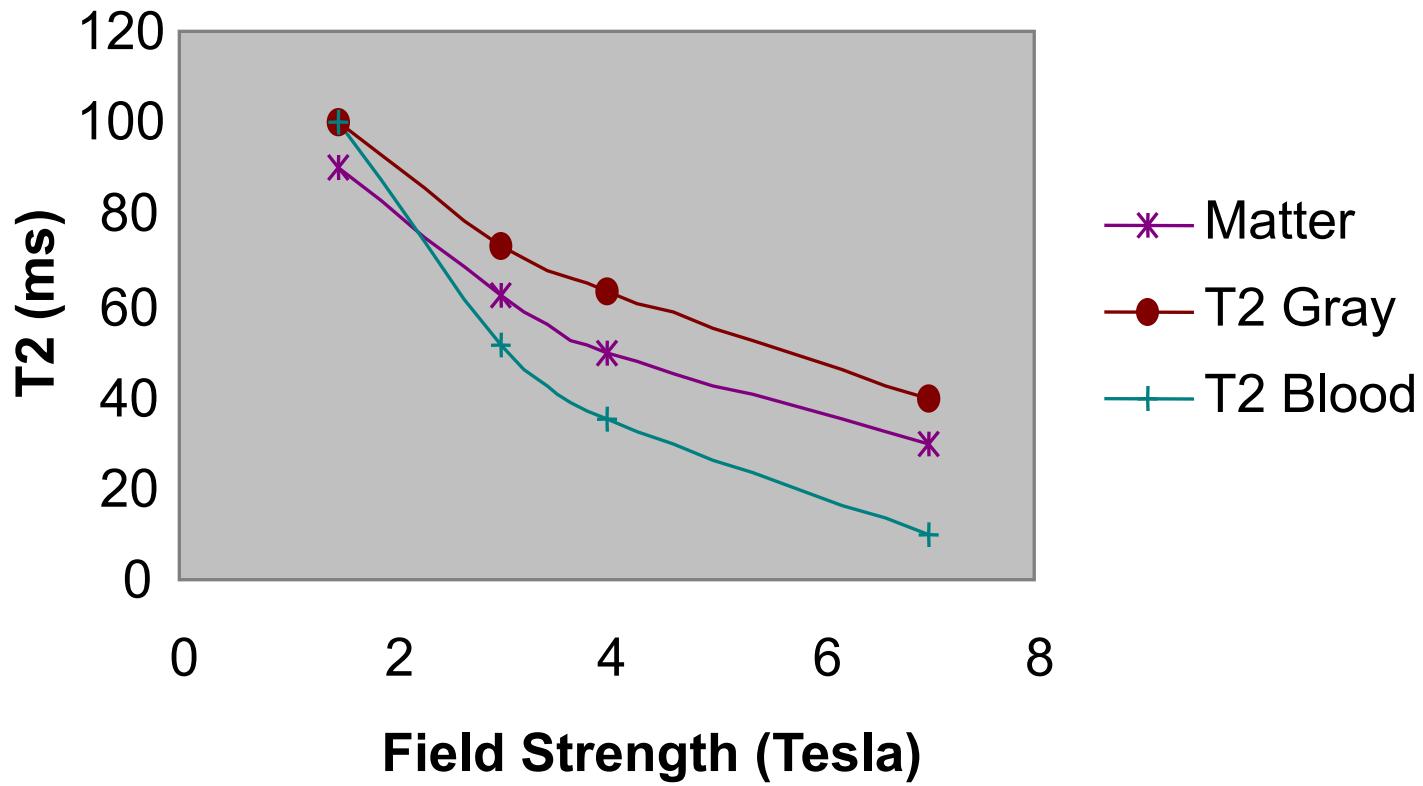
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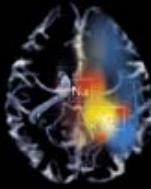
Mechanical Force on Gradient Coil

## T1 Values Across Field Strengths



## T2 Values Across Field Strengths





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# Whole Brain Anatomy

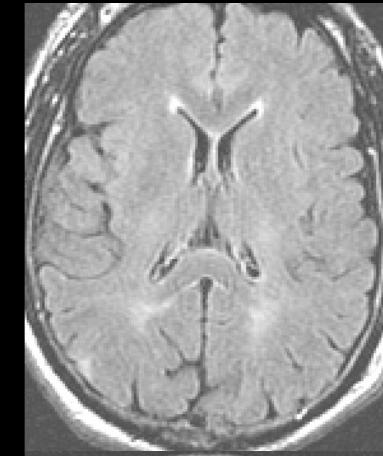
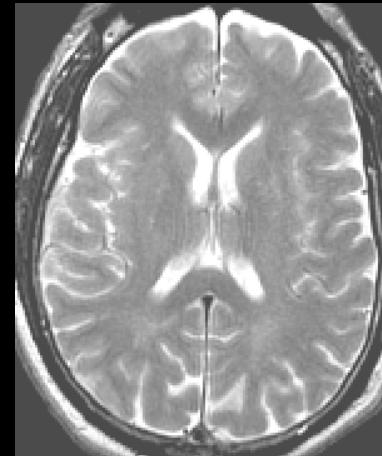
T1-SE

1.5T

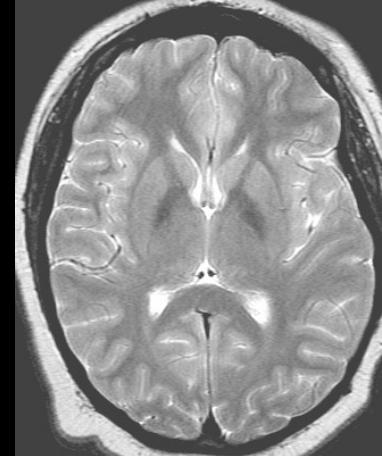
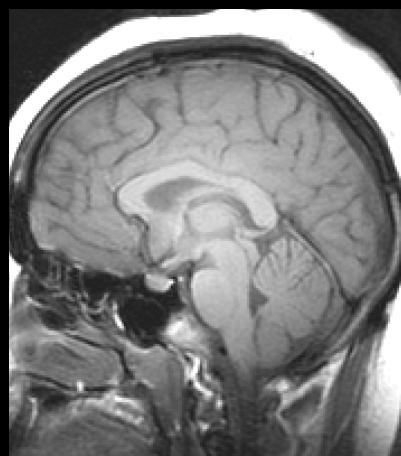


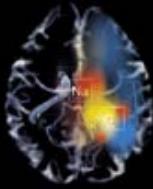
T2-FSE

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3.0T





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## 3.0T: 3D TOF MRA

**Longer T1 at 3.0T enhances flow effects and improves background suppression as well as allows higher spatial resolution**

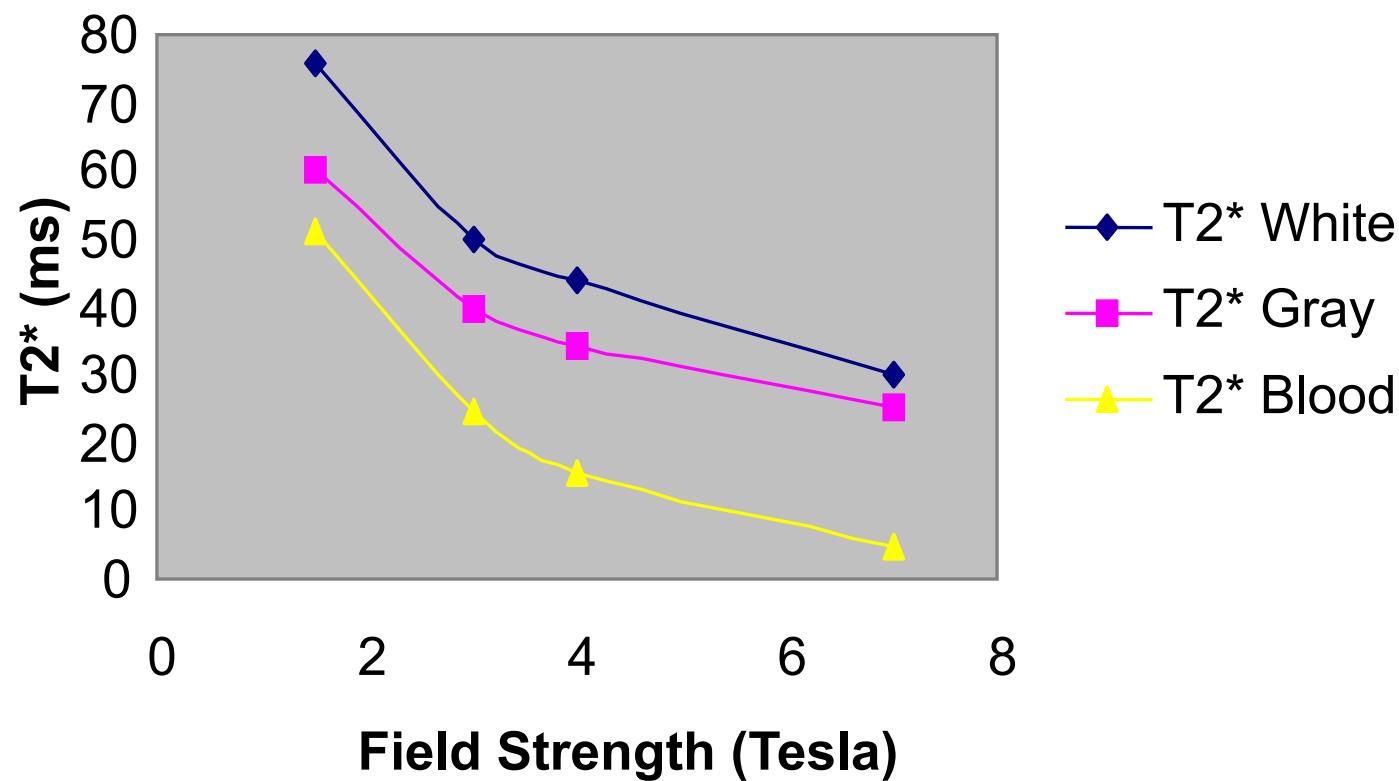


**15 y.o. female patient**

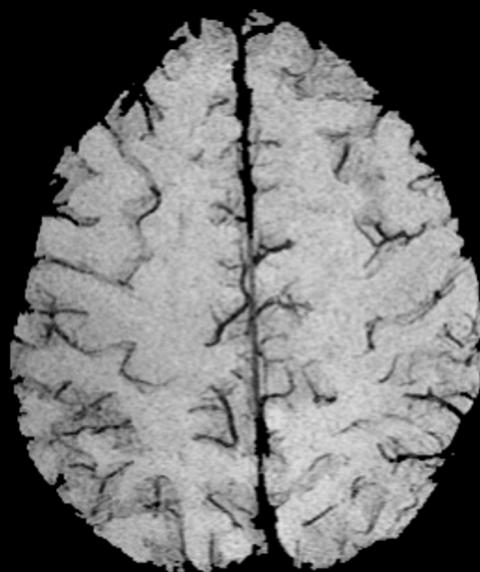
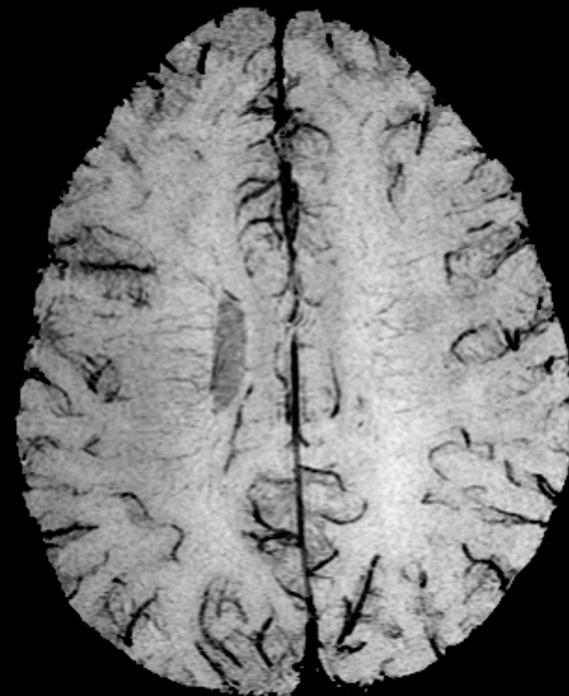


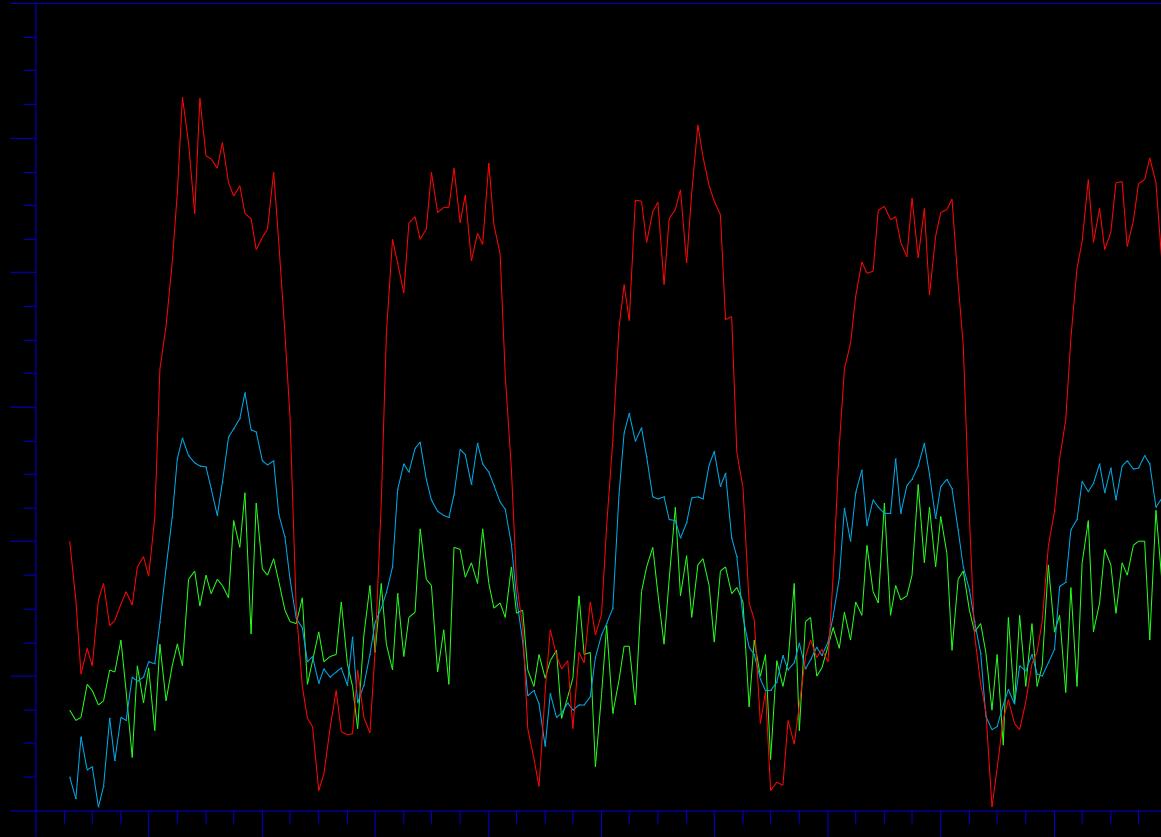
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## T2\* Values Across Field Strengths



# Venograms (3T)

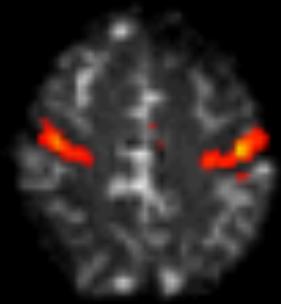
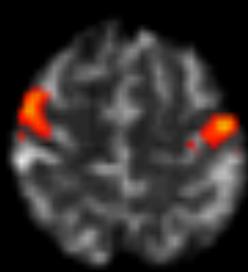
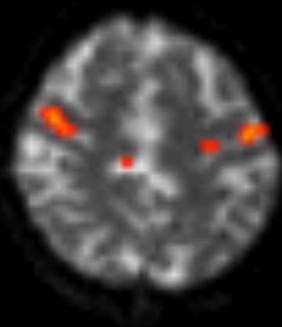
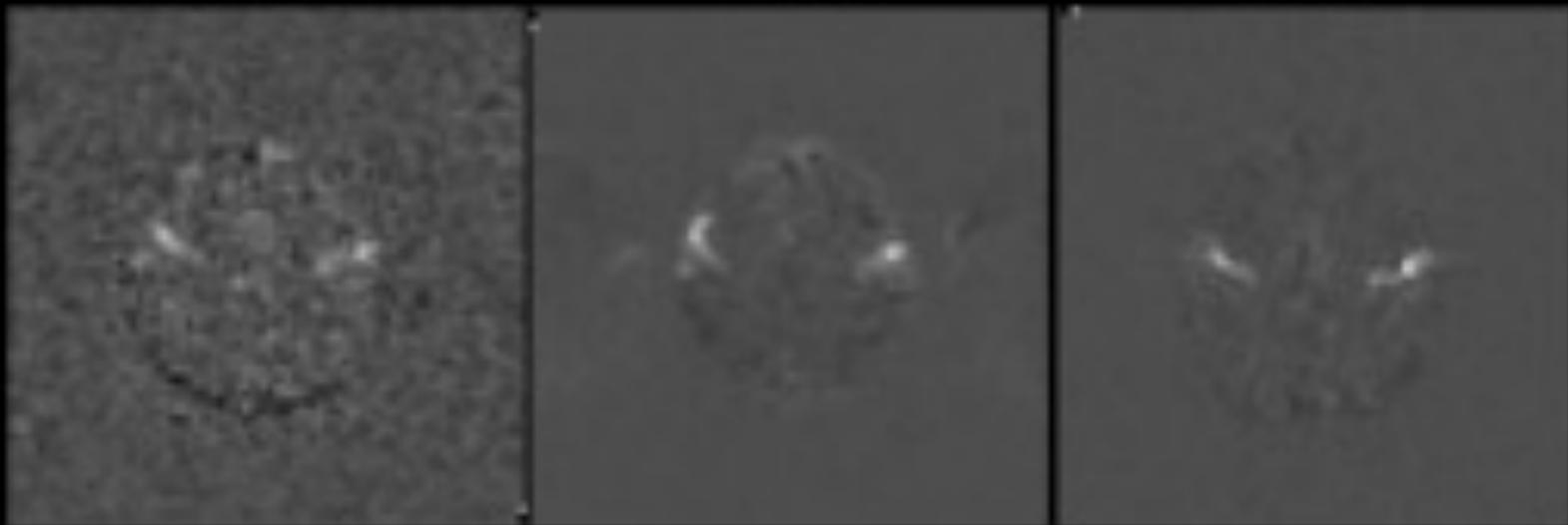




**0.5 T**

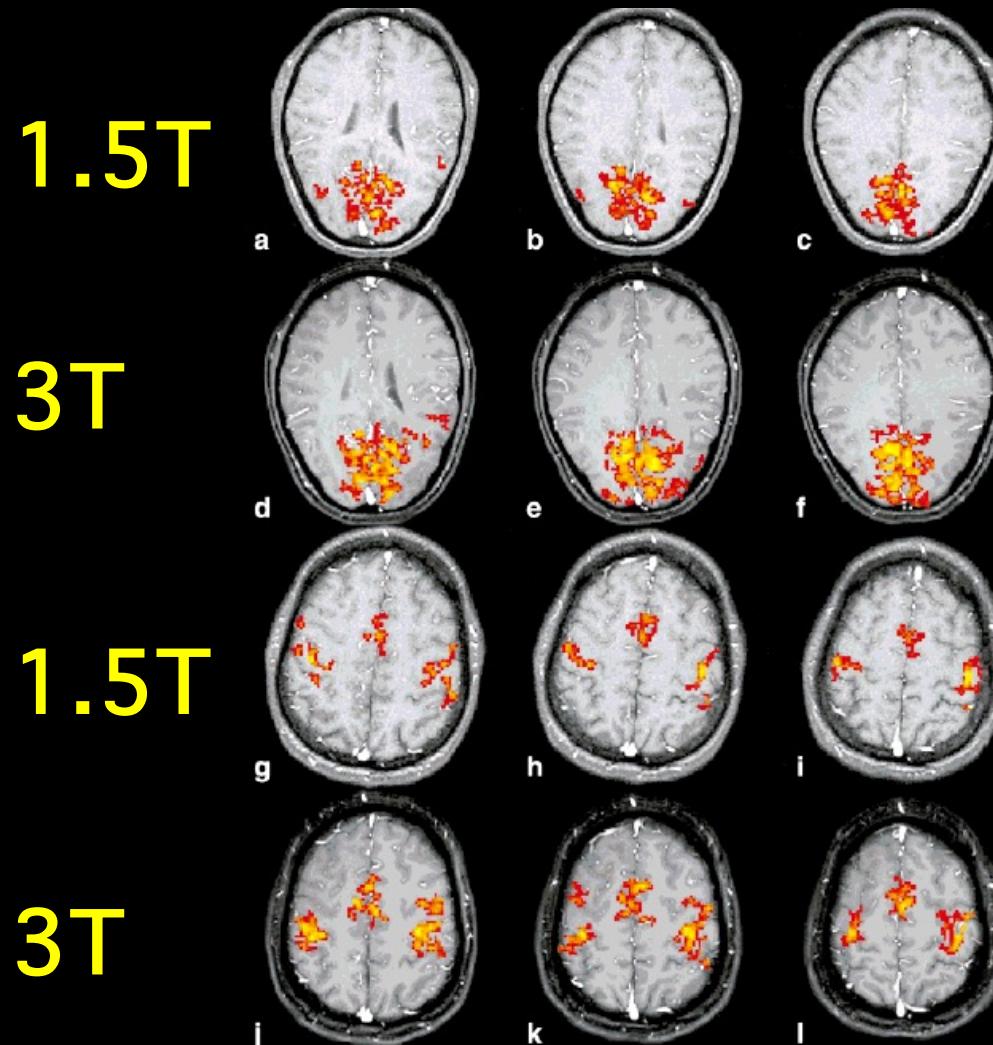
**1.5 T**

**3 T**

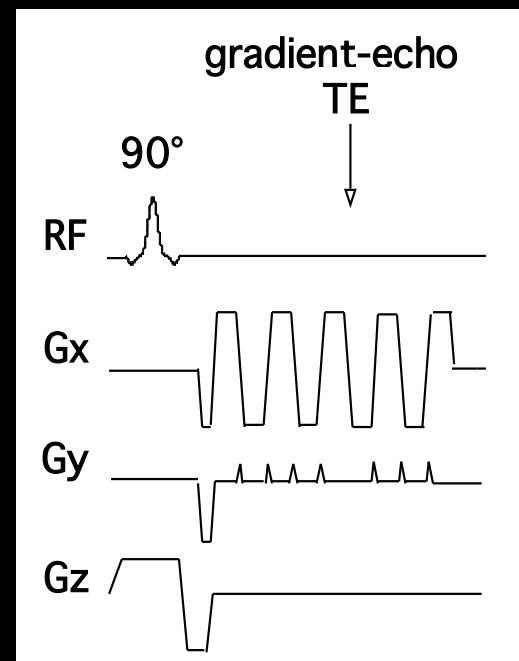


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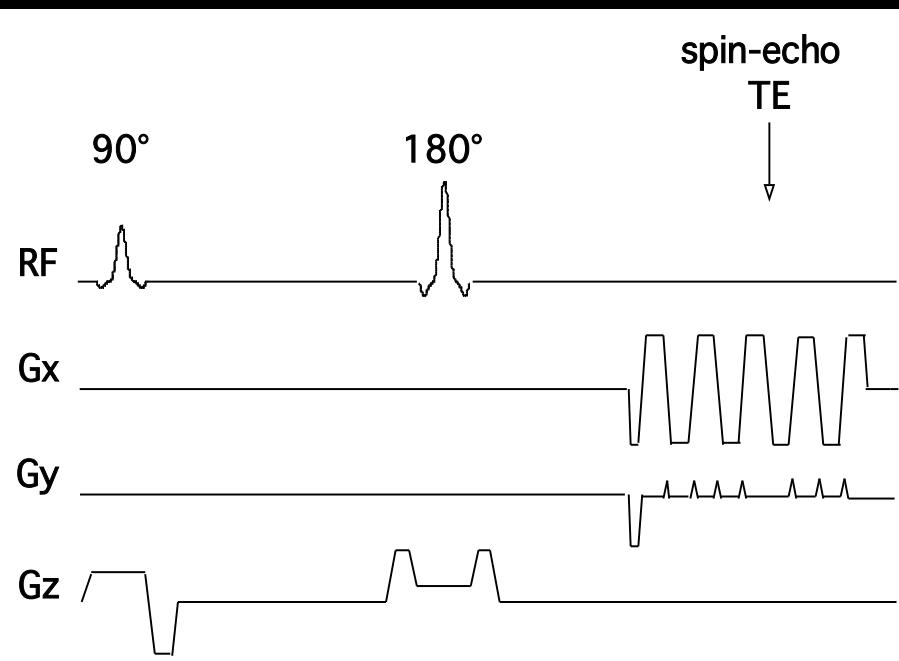
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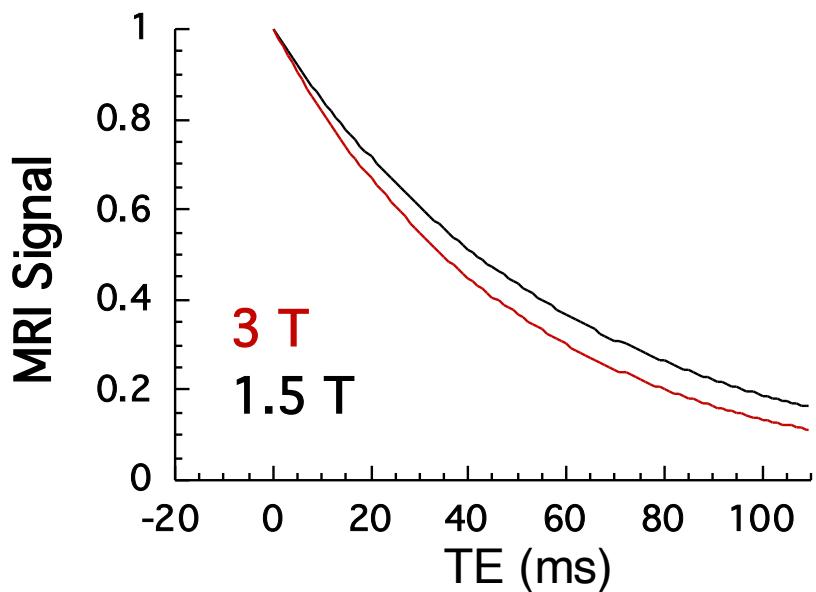
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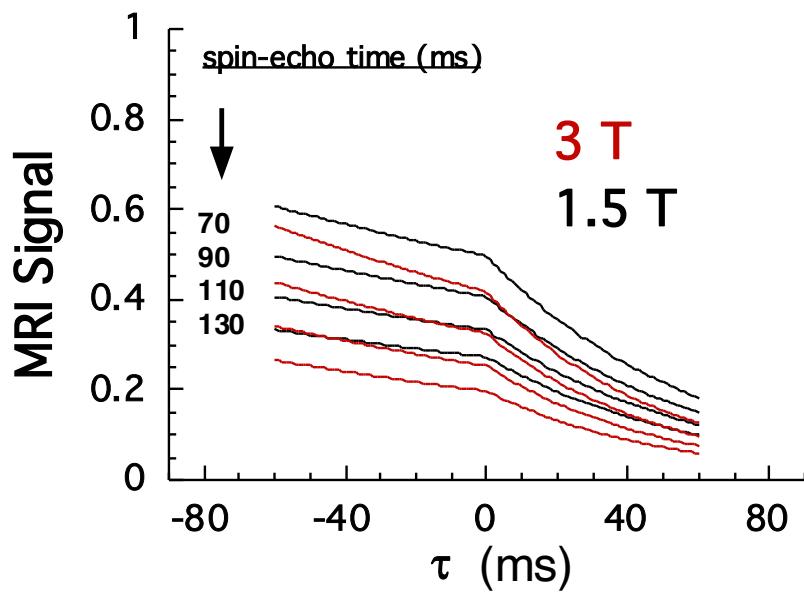
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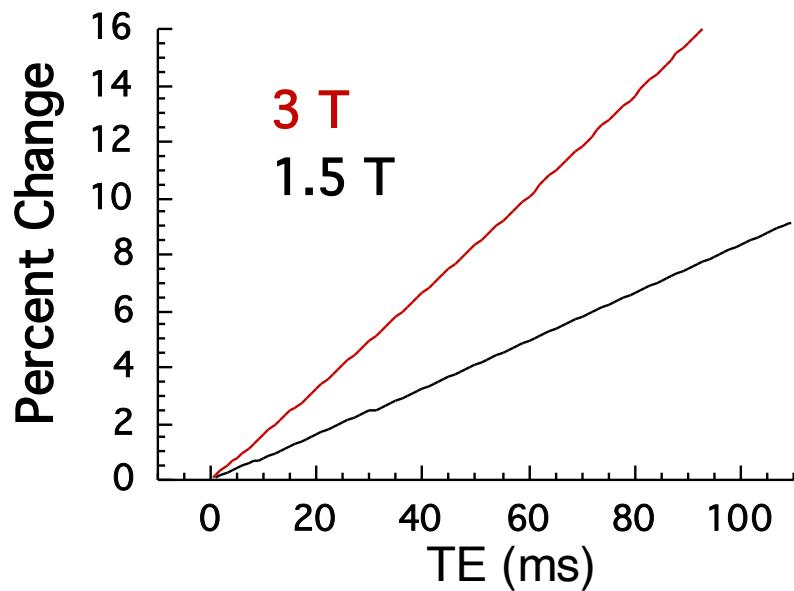
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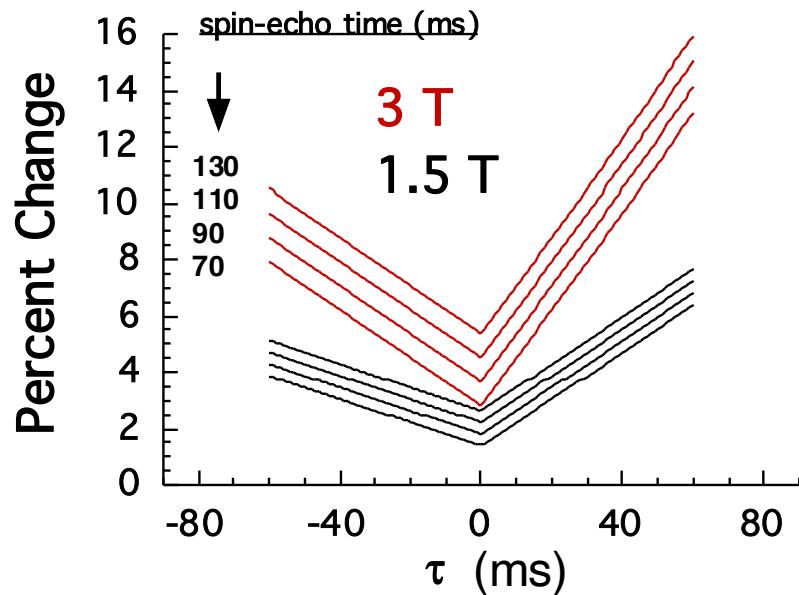
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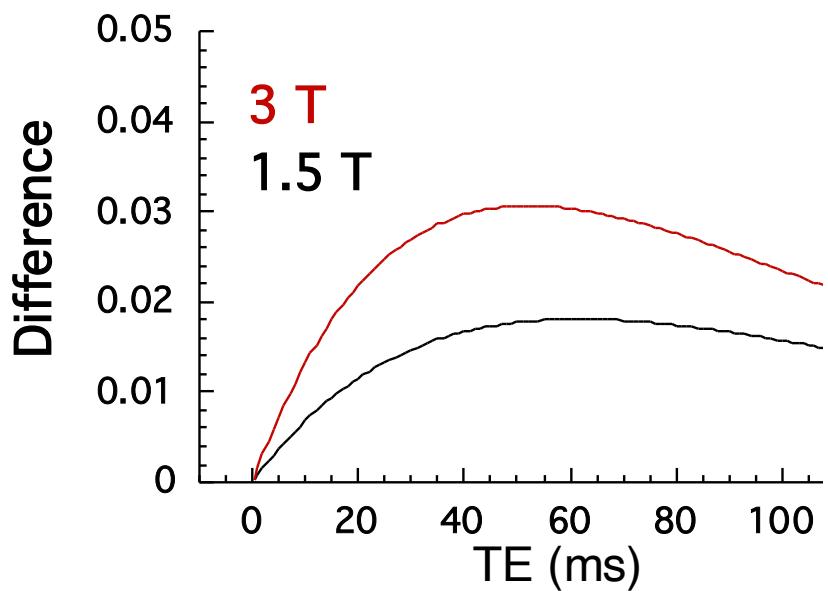
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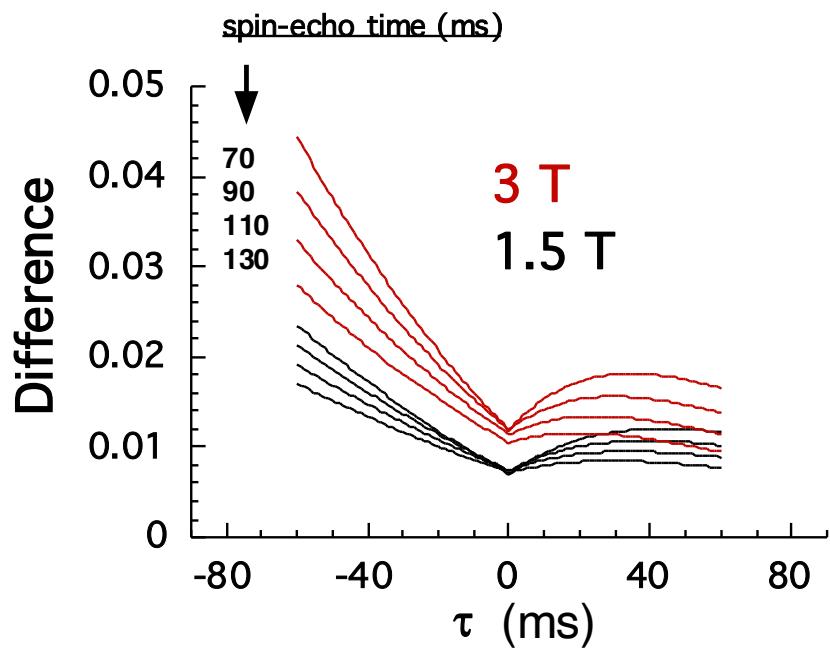
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## Gradient - Echo

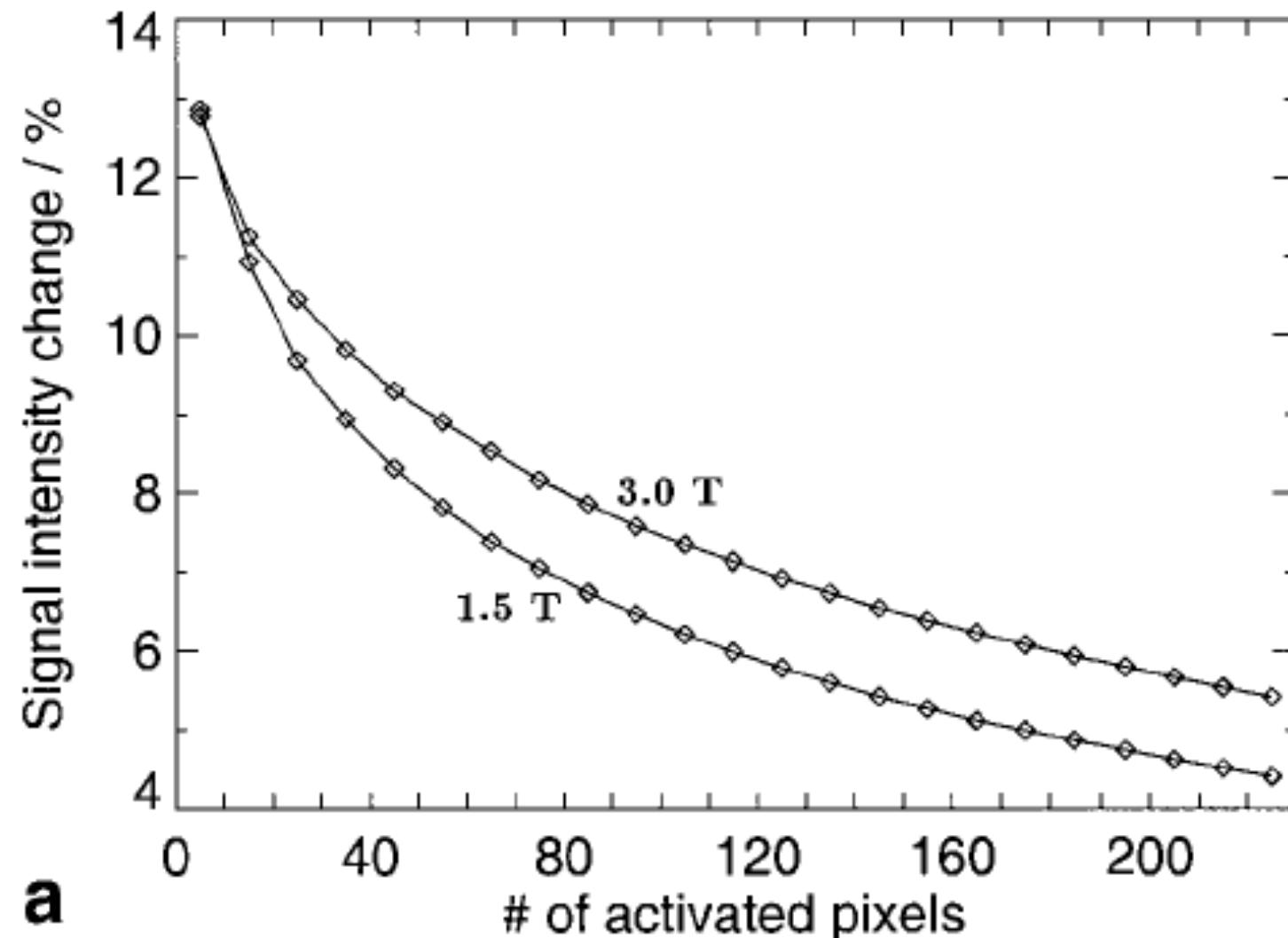


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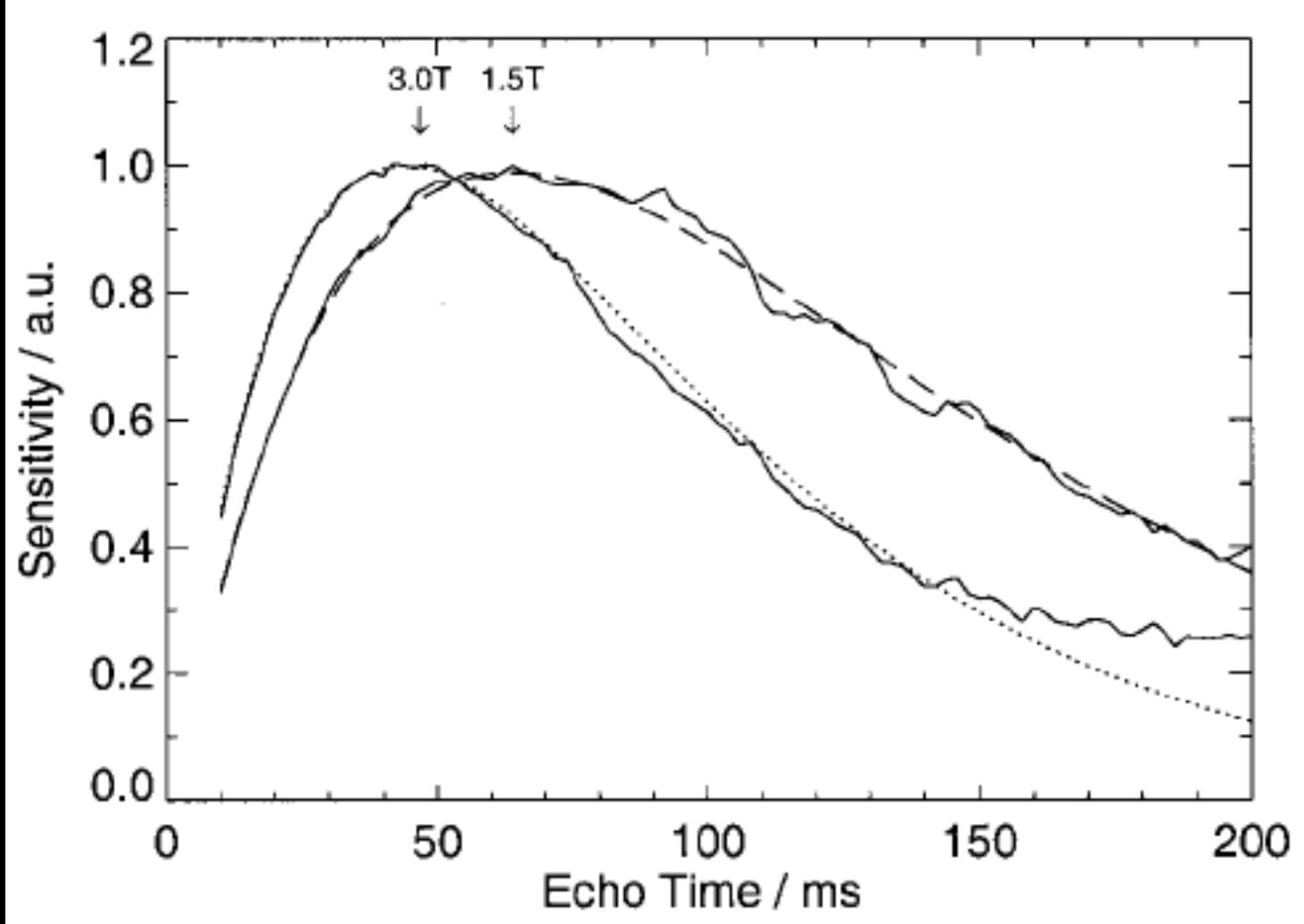
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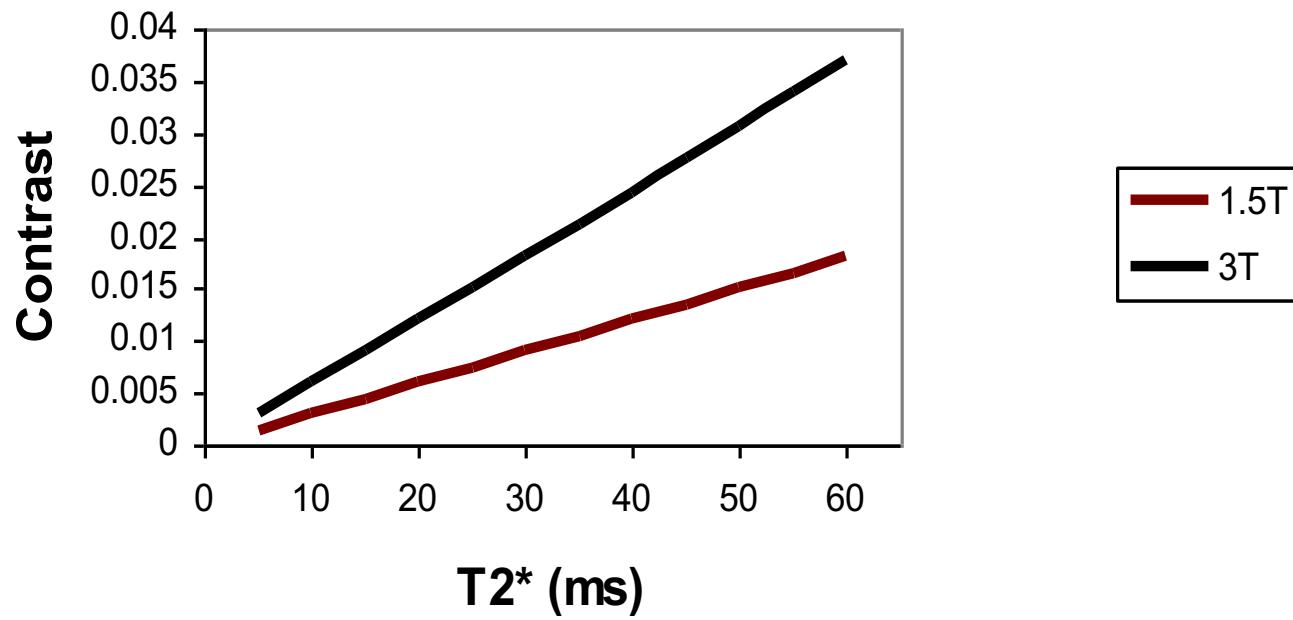


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## Functional Contrast at Optimal TE

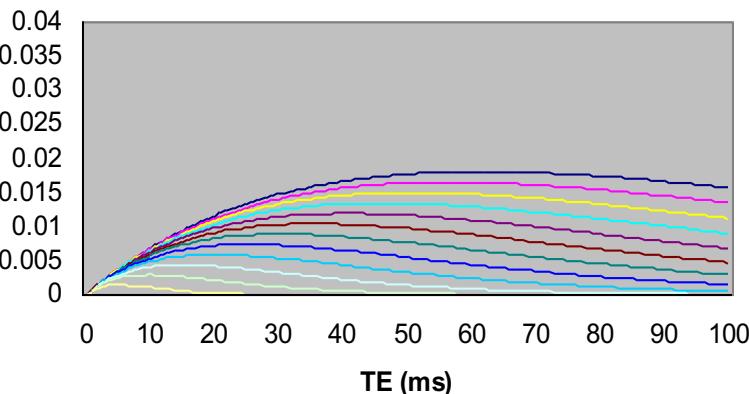


Contrast depends on:  
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$T2^*$

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

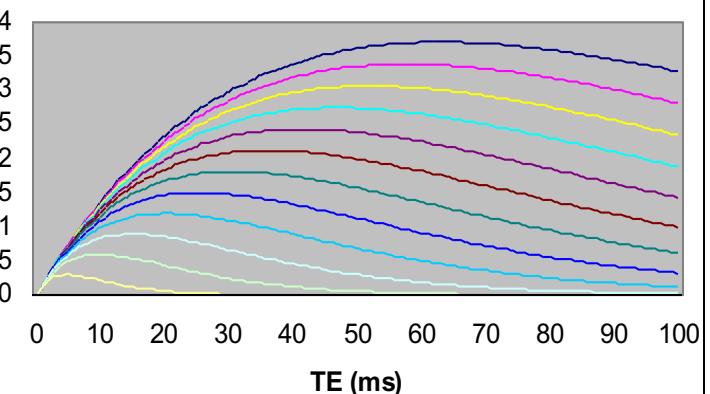
Contrast



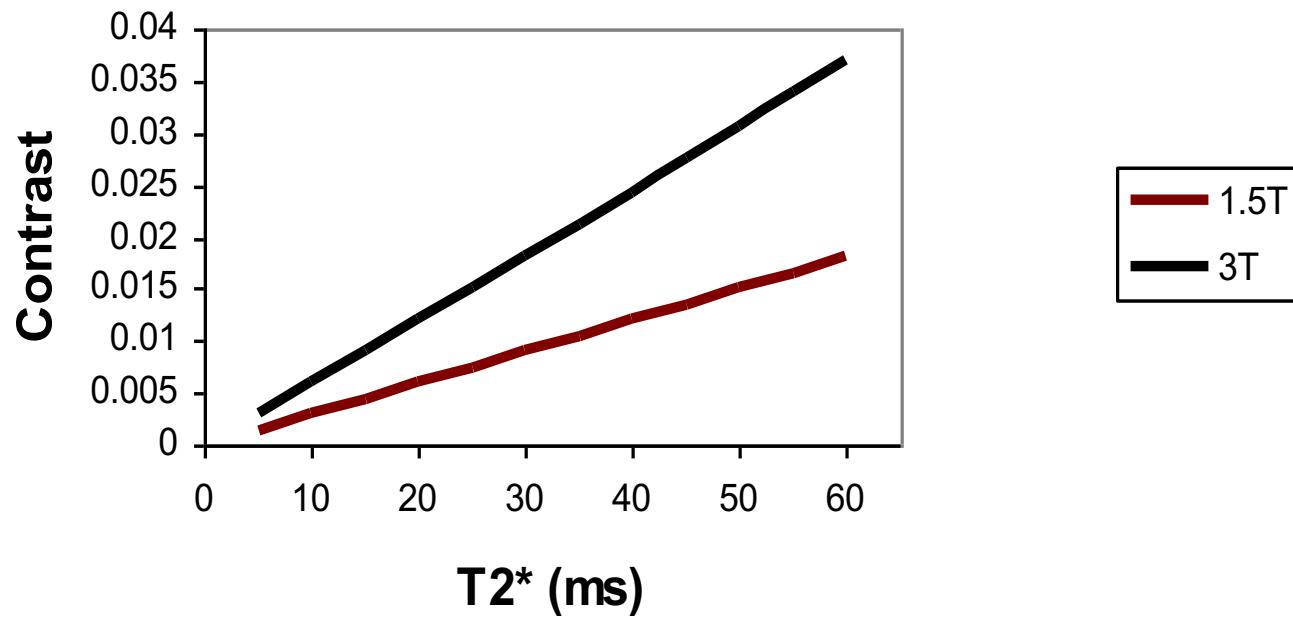
$T2^*$

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

Contrast

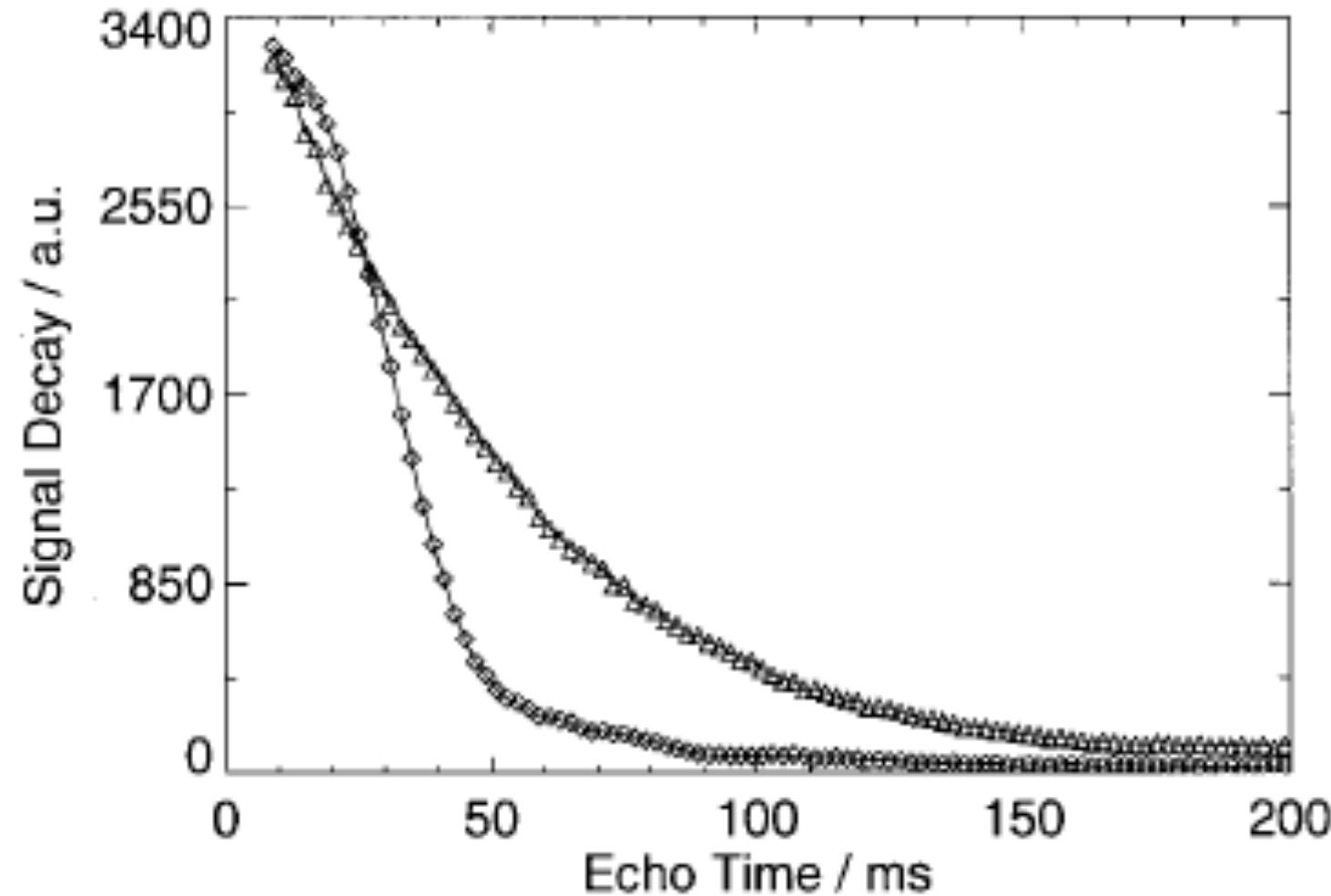


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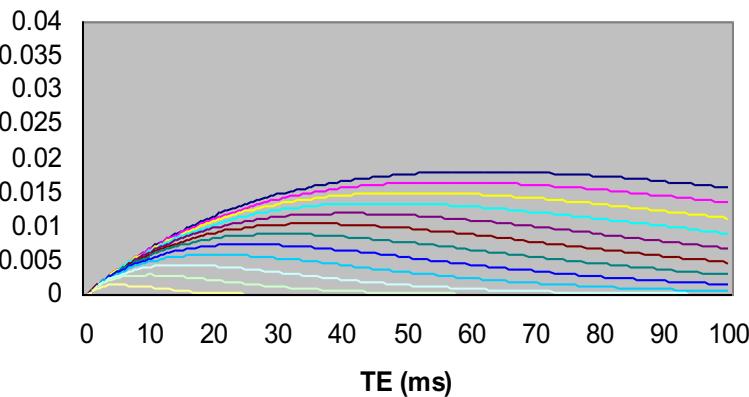


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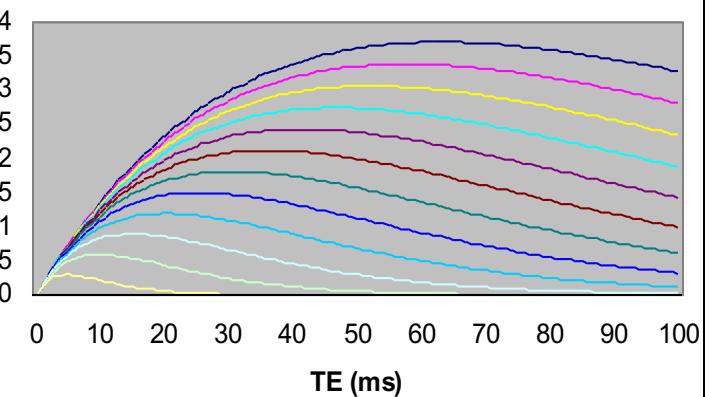
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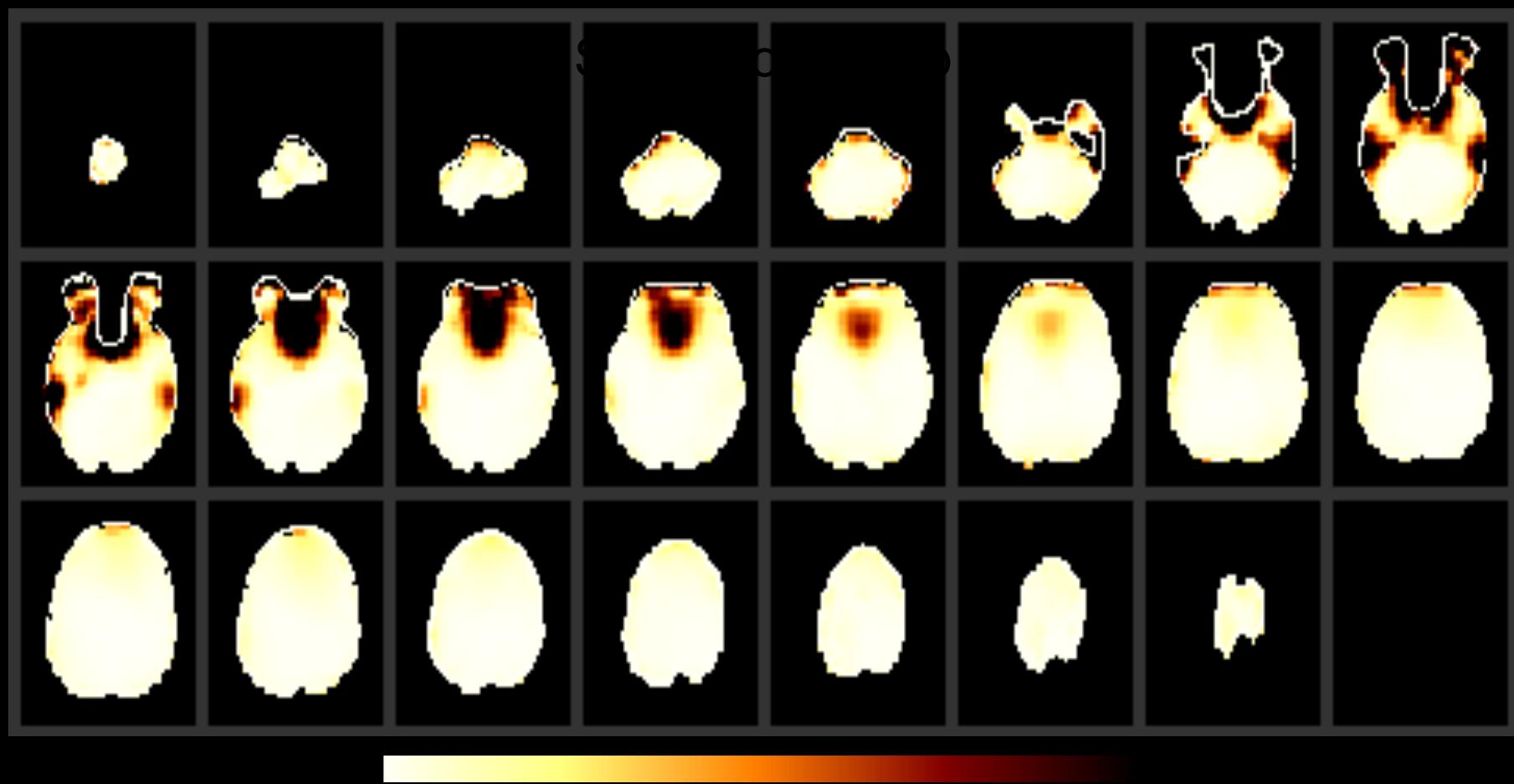
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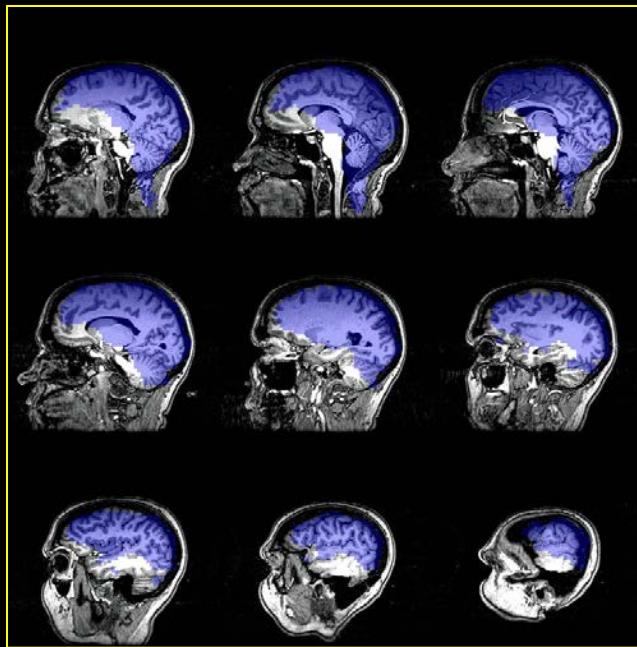
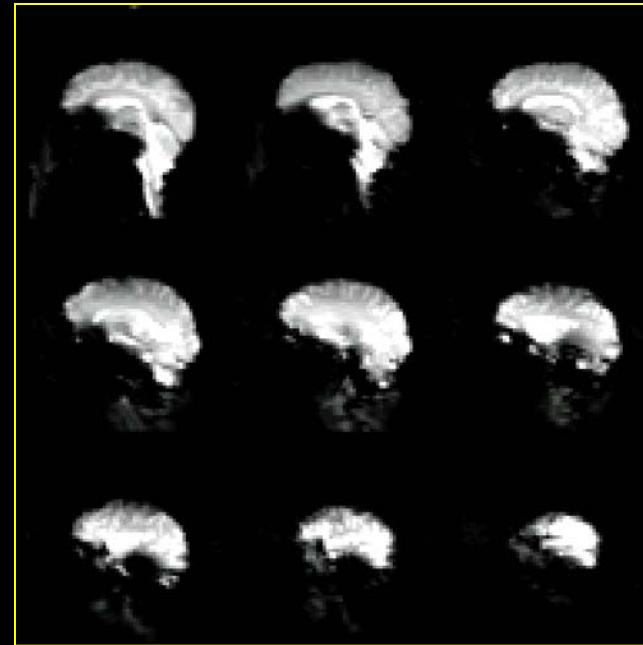
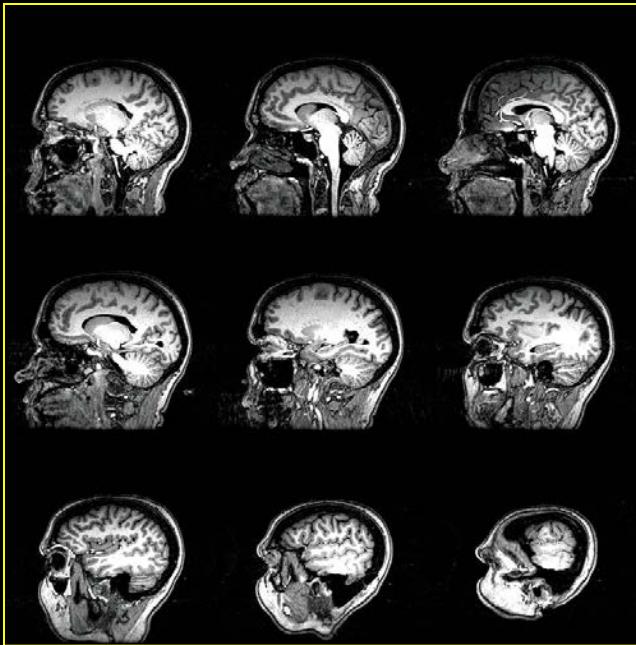
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Contrast



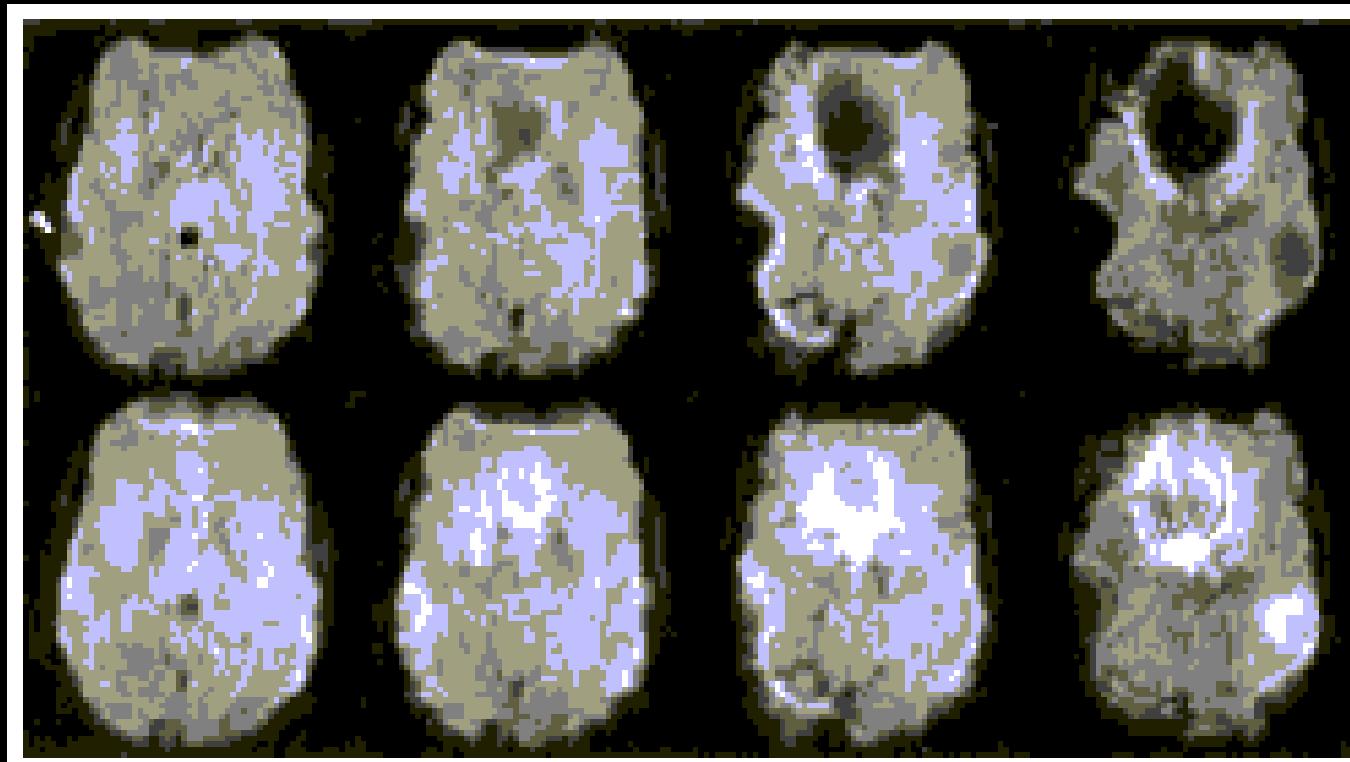
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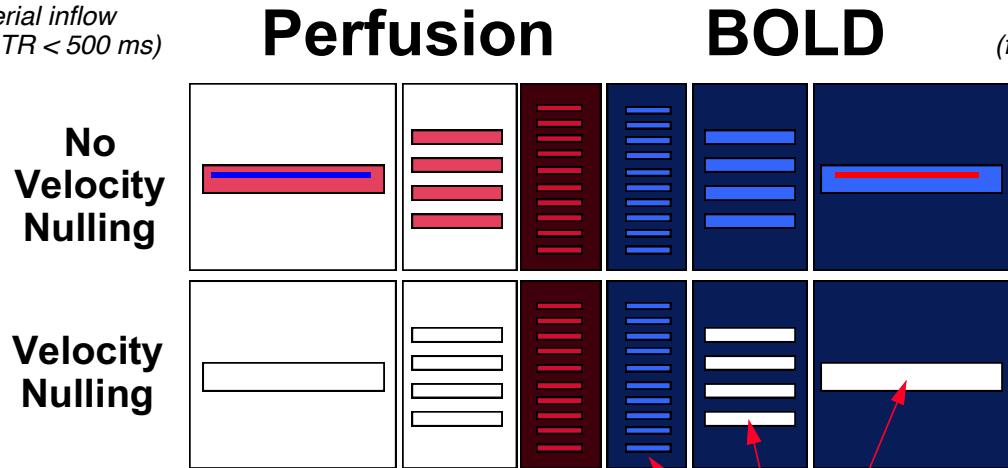


## 3D z-Shim Method for Reduction of Susceptibility Effects in BOLD fMRI

Gary H. Glover\*

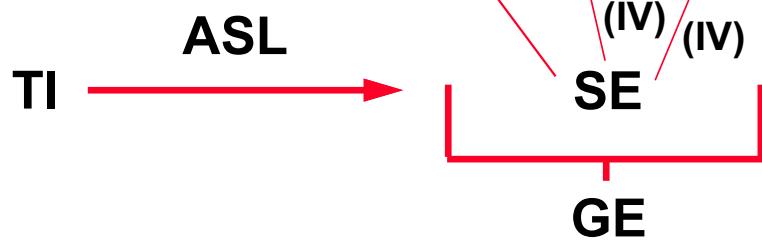


*Arterial inflow*  
(BOLD TR < 500 ms)

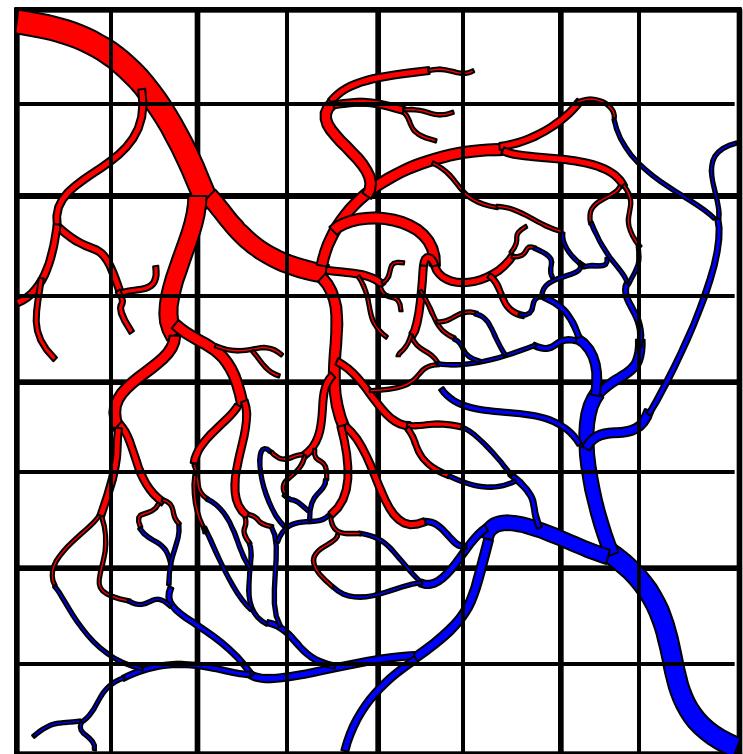


*Venous inflow*  
(for ASL, w/ no VN)

Pulse Sequence  
Sensitivity

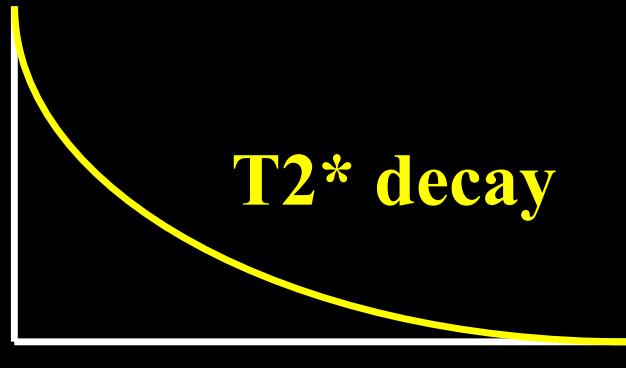


Spatial  
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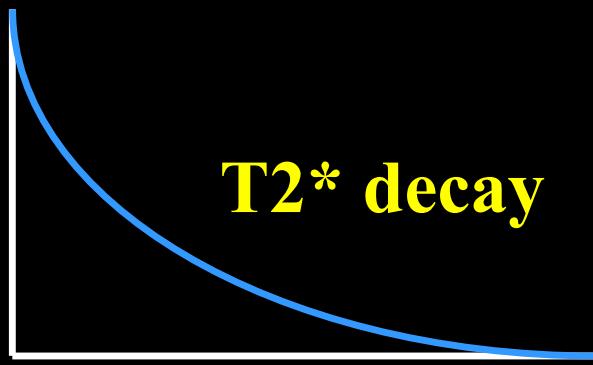


A few slides about  
Image Resolution and Noise...

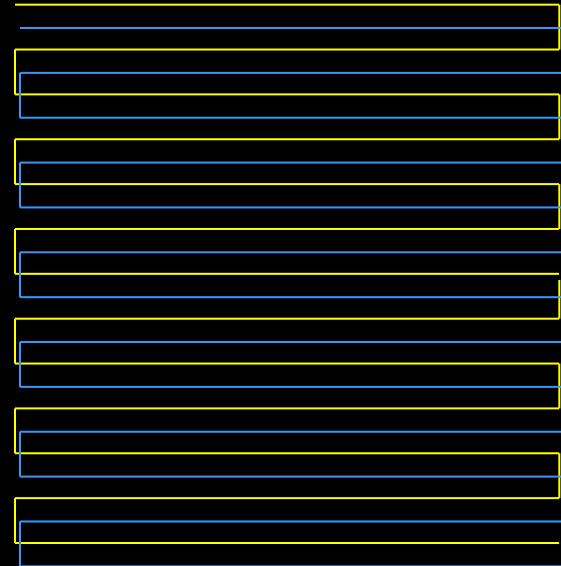
# Multishot Imaging



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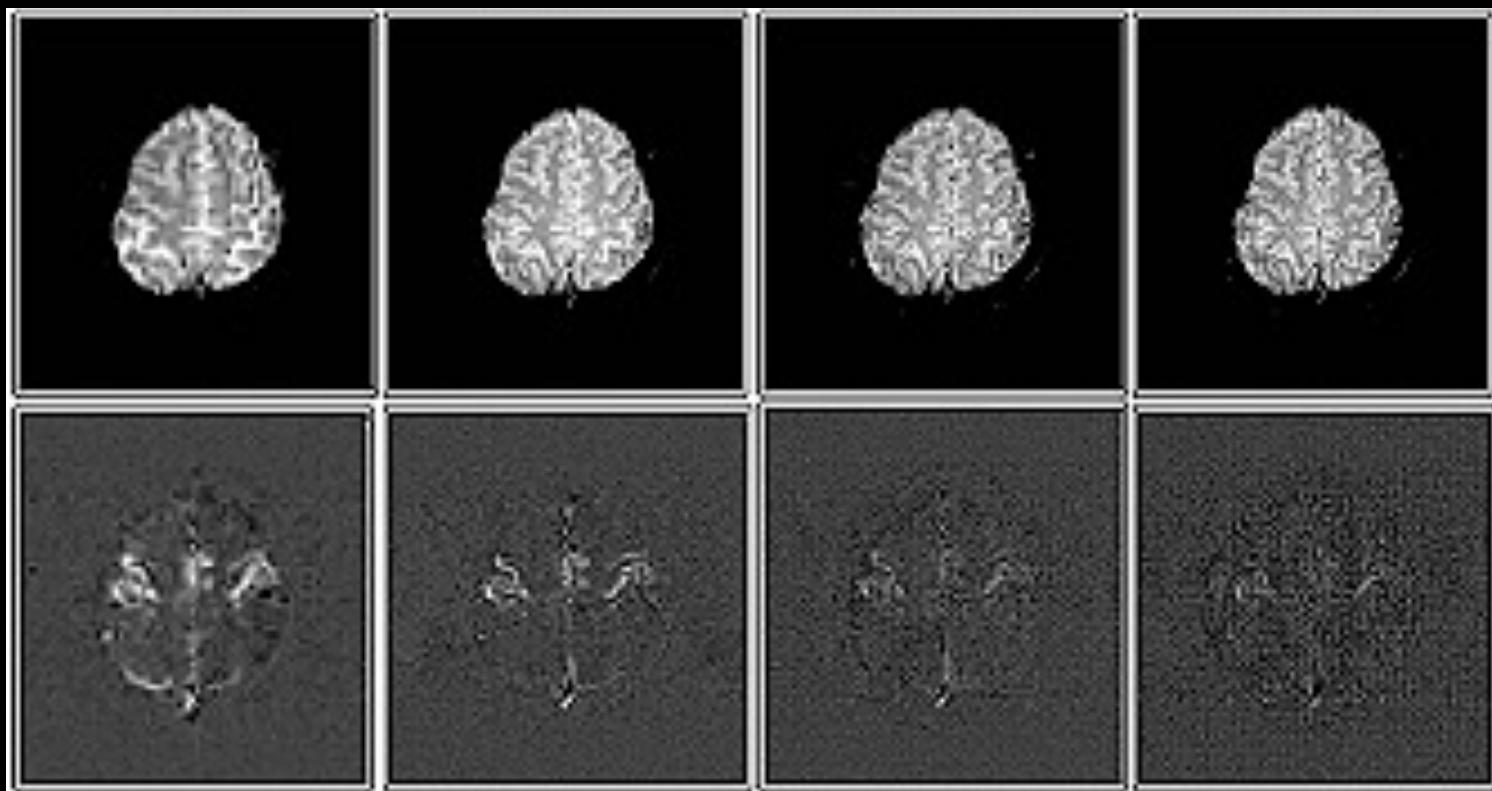


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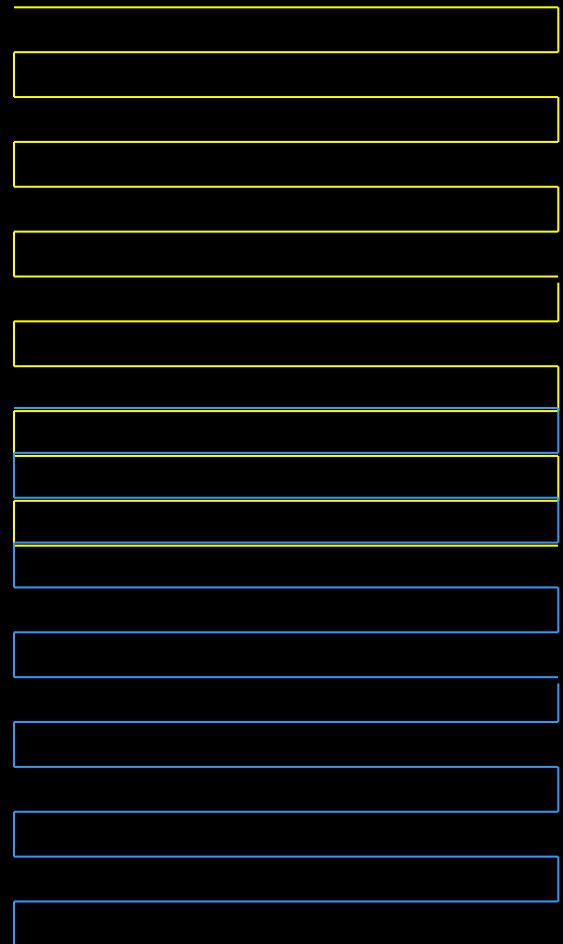
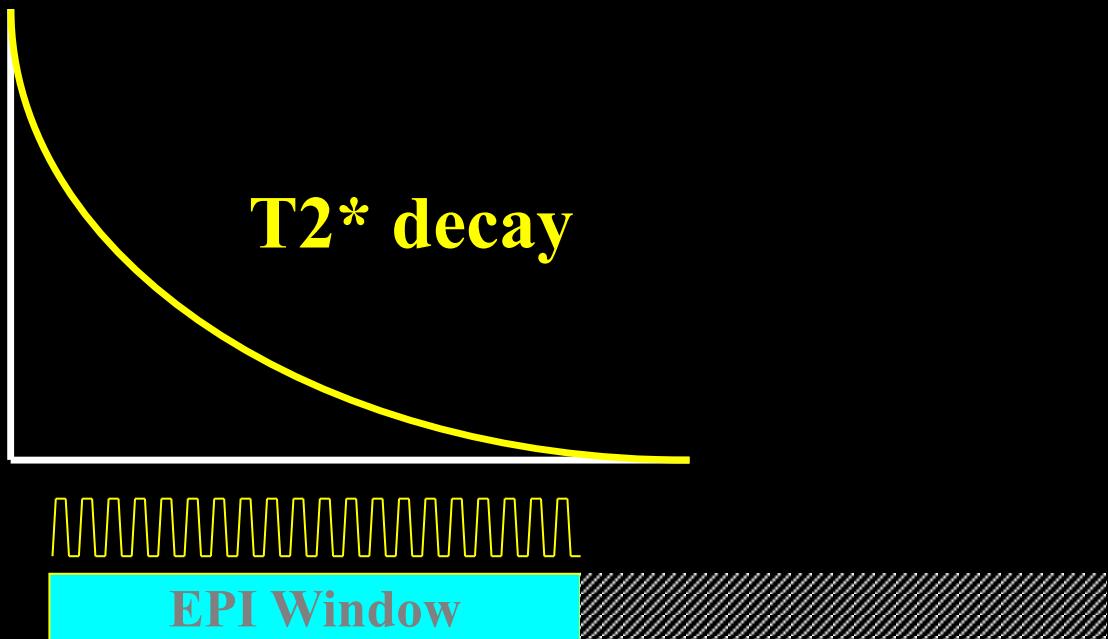


# Multi Shot EPI

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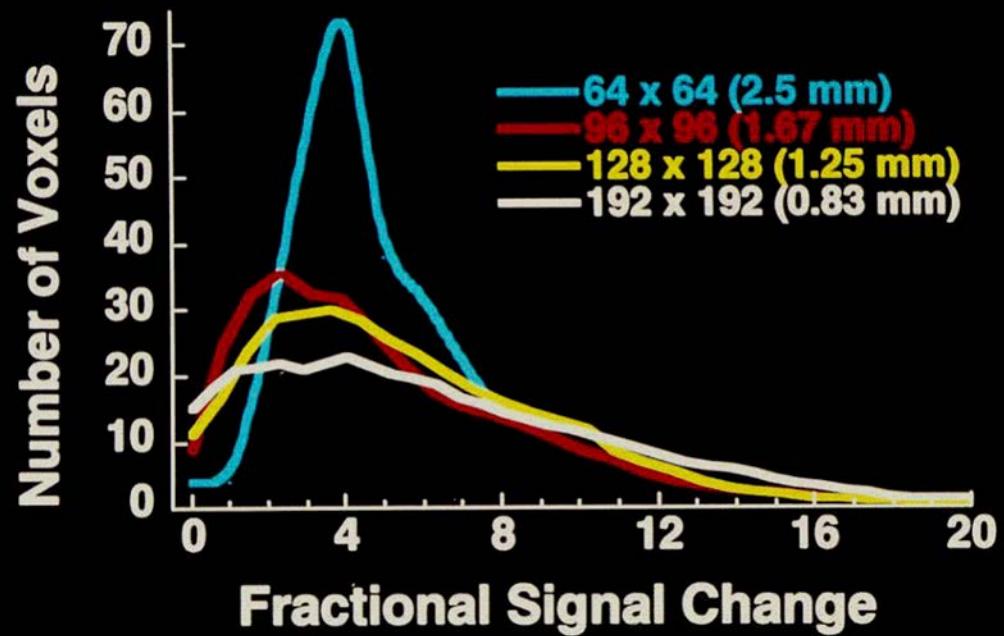
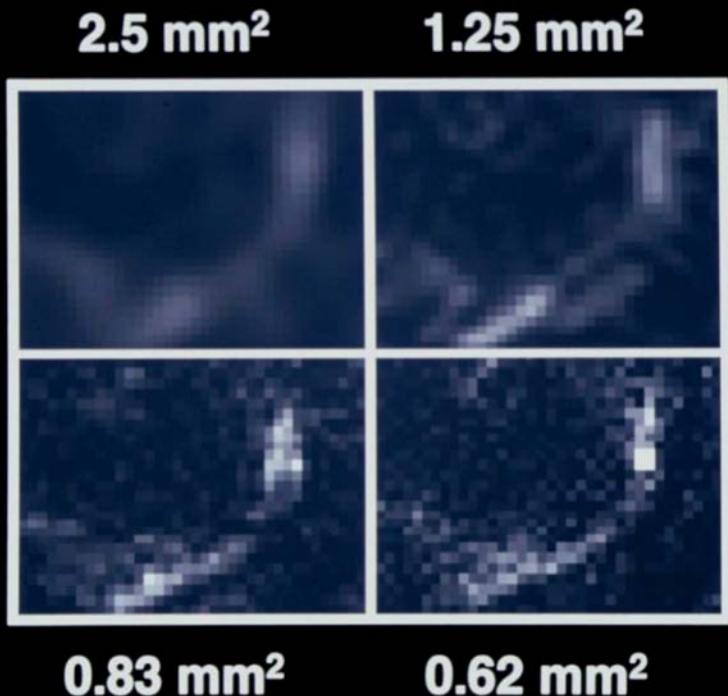


# Partial k-space imaging



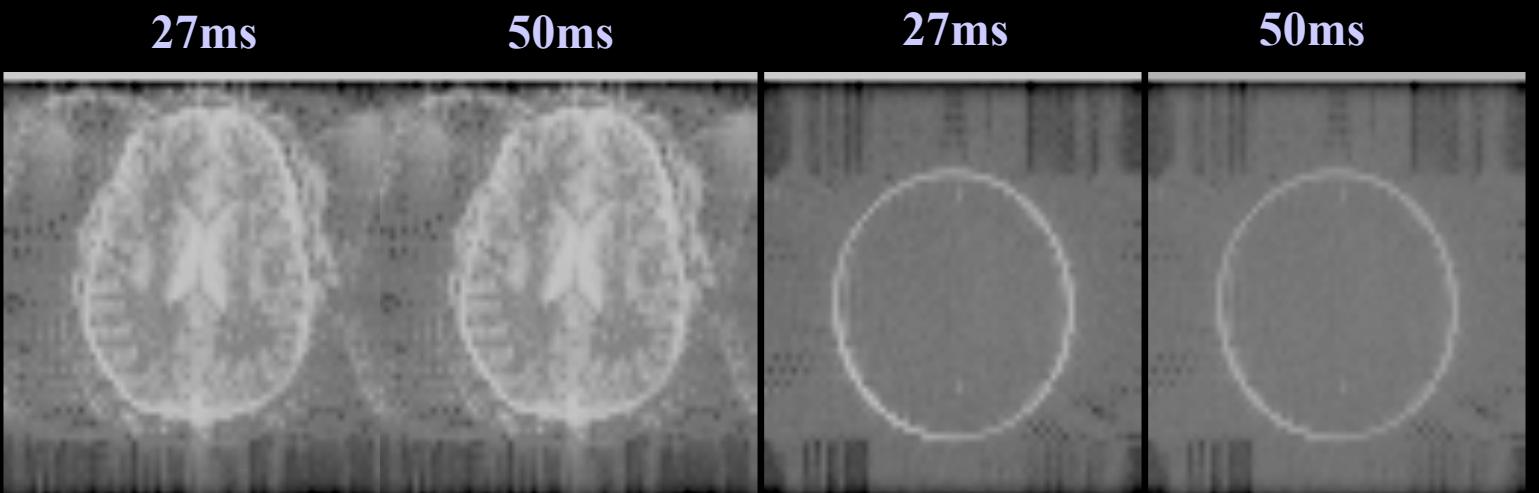
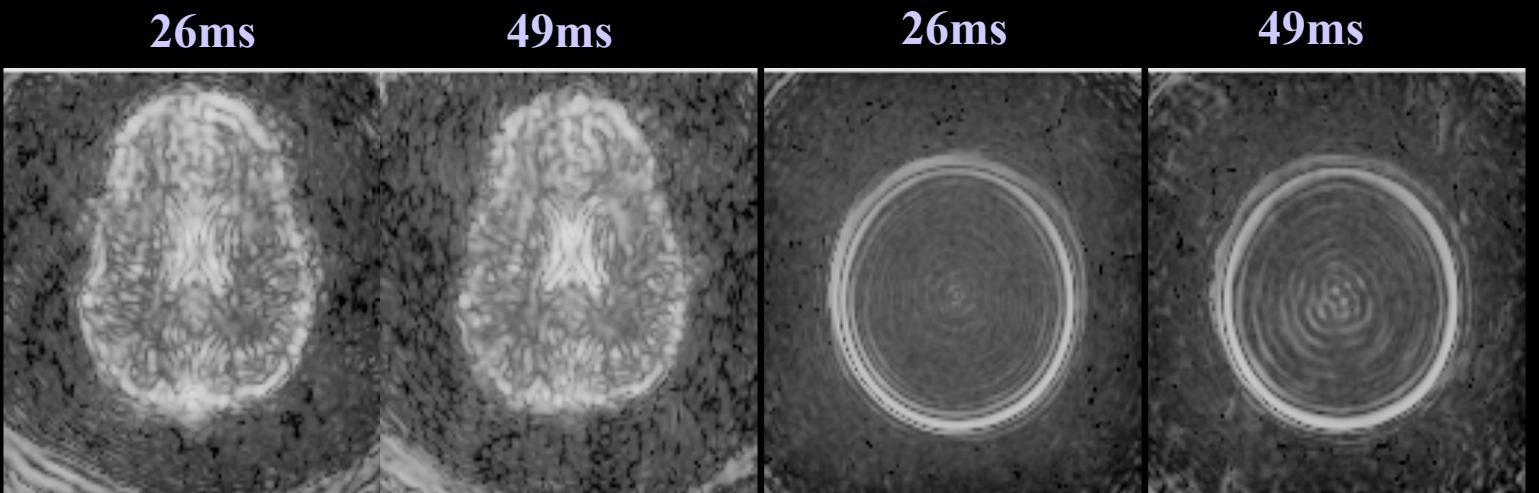
# Partial k-space imaging

## Fractional Signal Change



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# Temporal vs. Spatial SNR- 3T

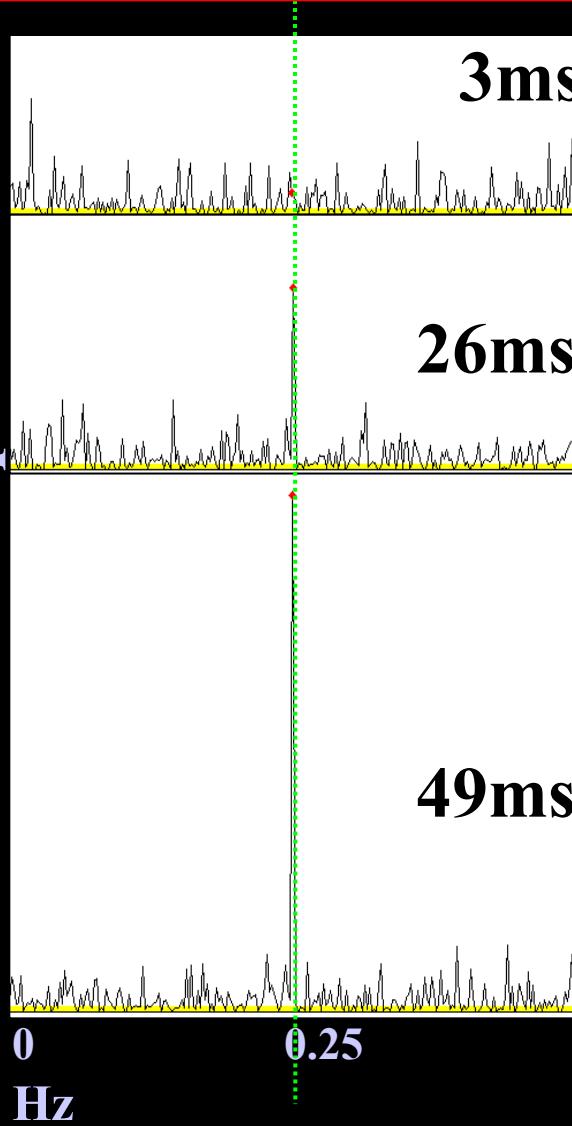


SPIRAL

EPI

# 0.25 Hz Breathing at 3T

Power Spectra



0.5

0.25

49ms

26ms

3ms

0

Hz

0.5

0.25

3ms

26ms

49ms

0

Hz

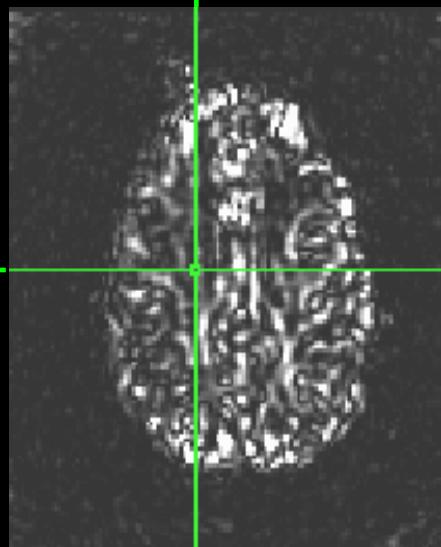
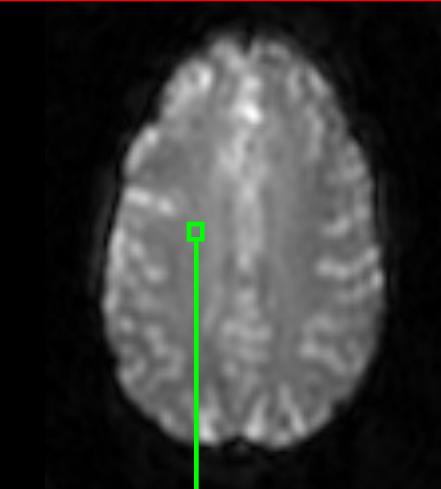


Image  
Respiration map

# 0.68 Hz Cardiac rate at 3T

## Power Spectra

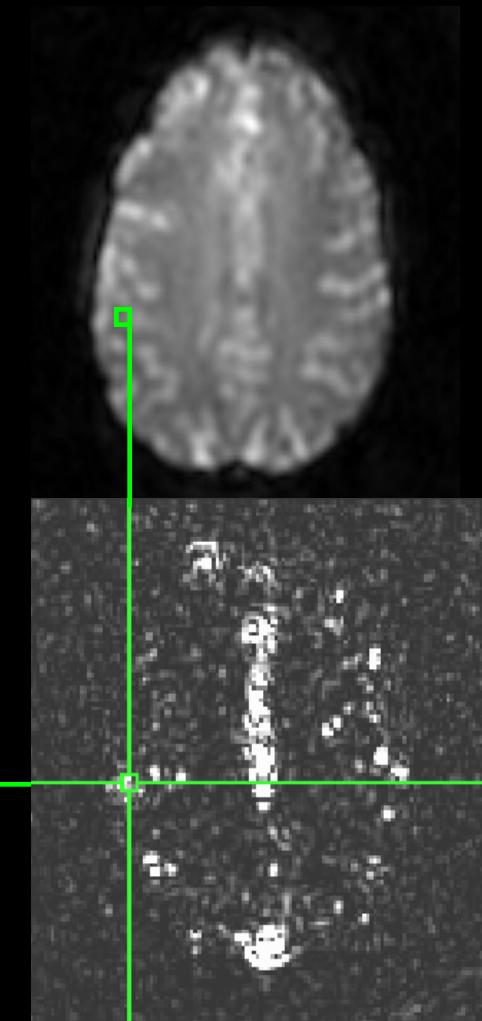
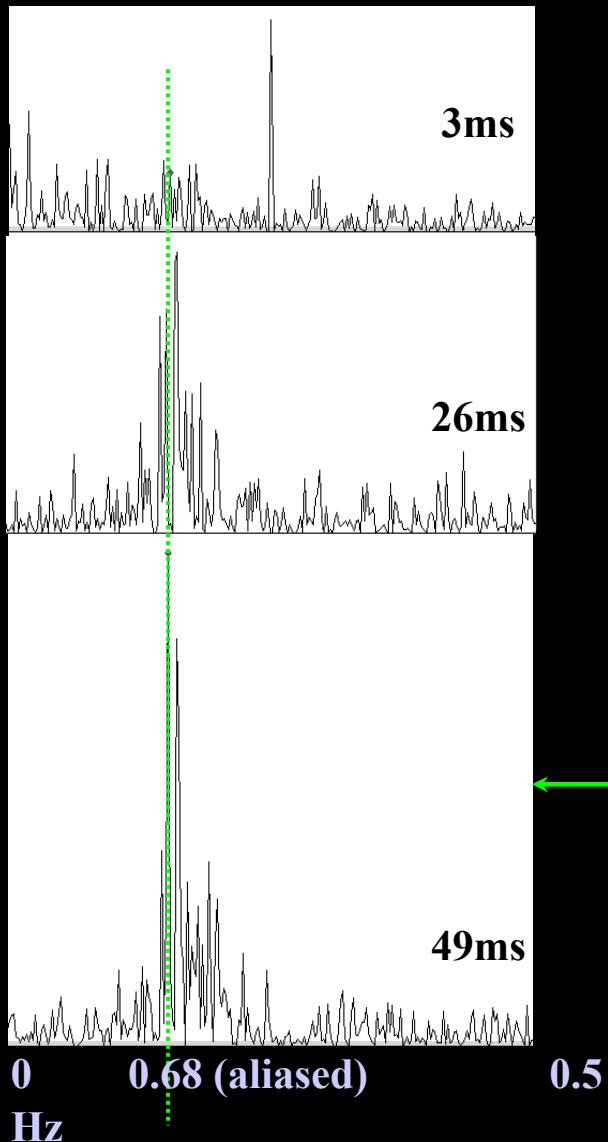
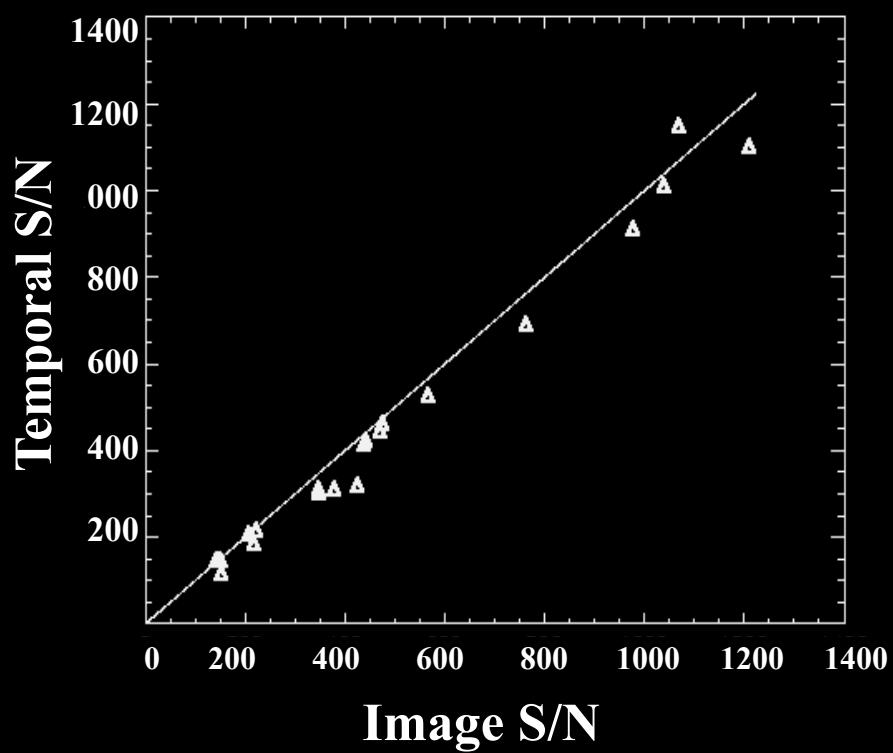


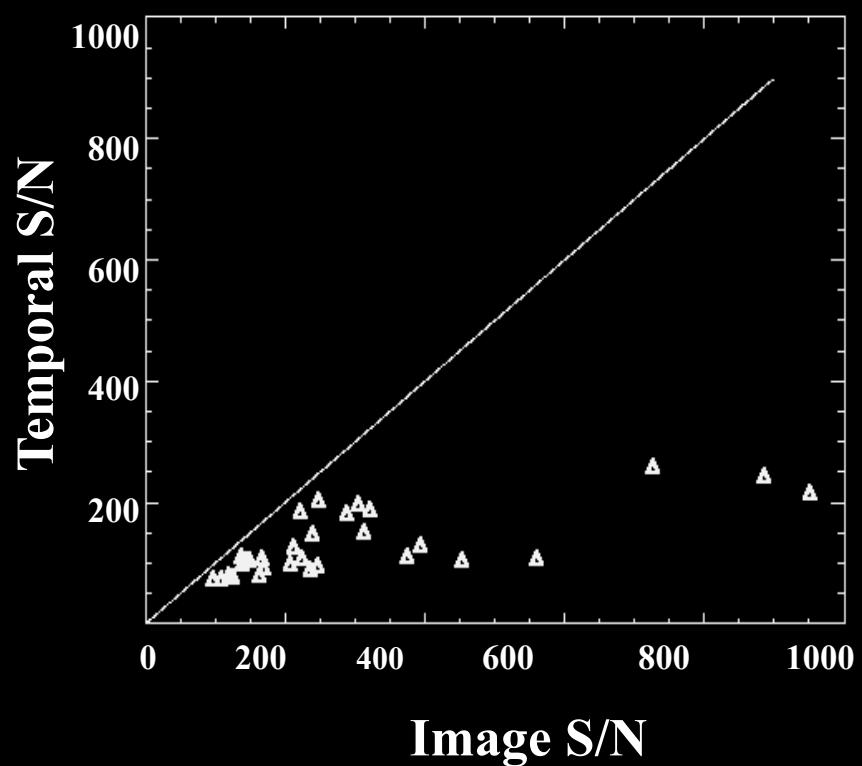
Image  
Cardiac map

# Temporal S/N vs. Image S/N

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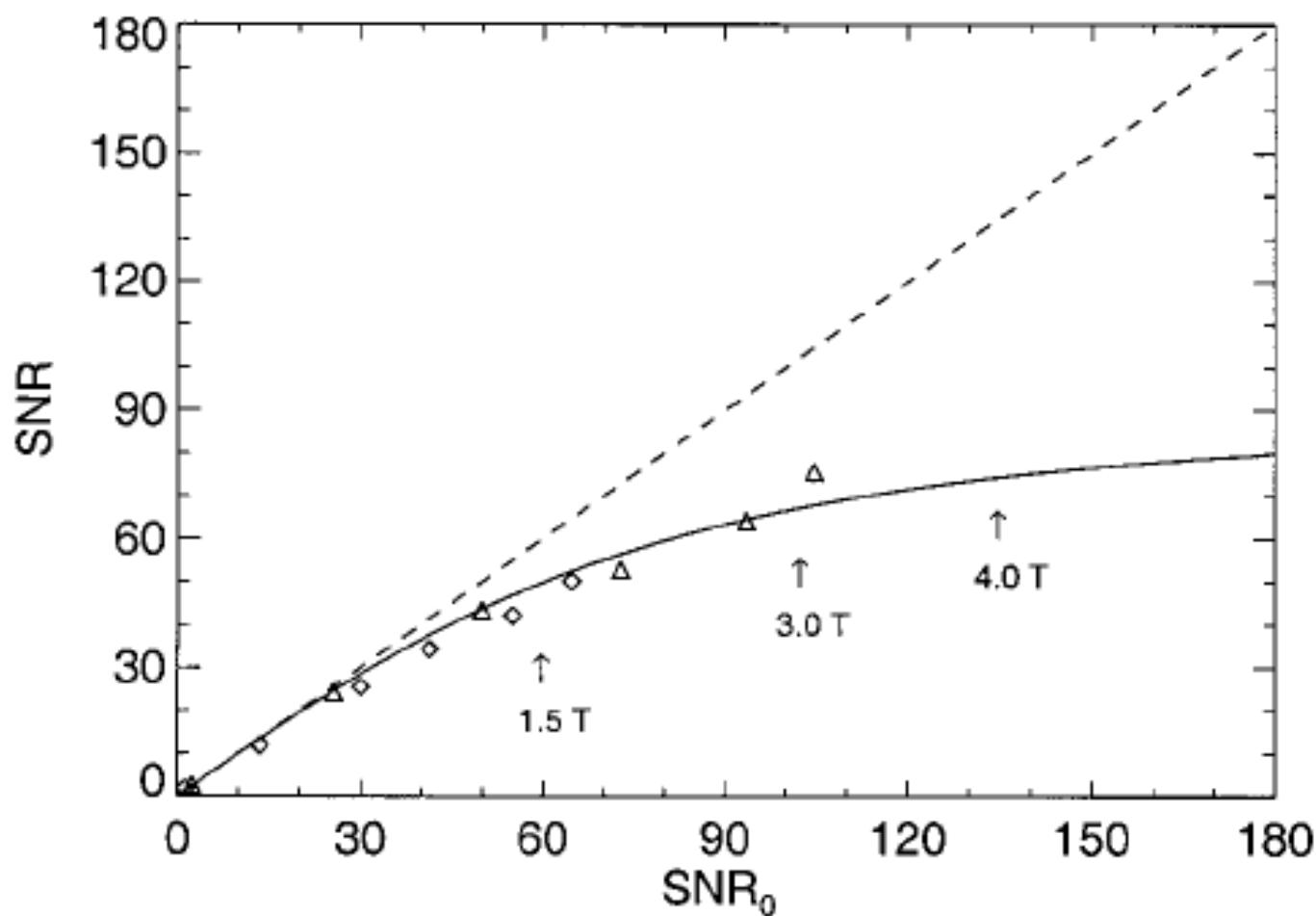
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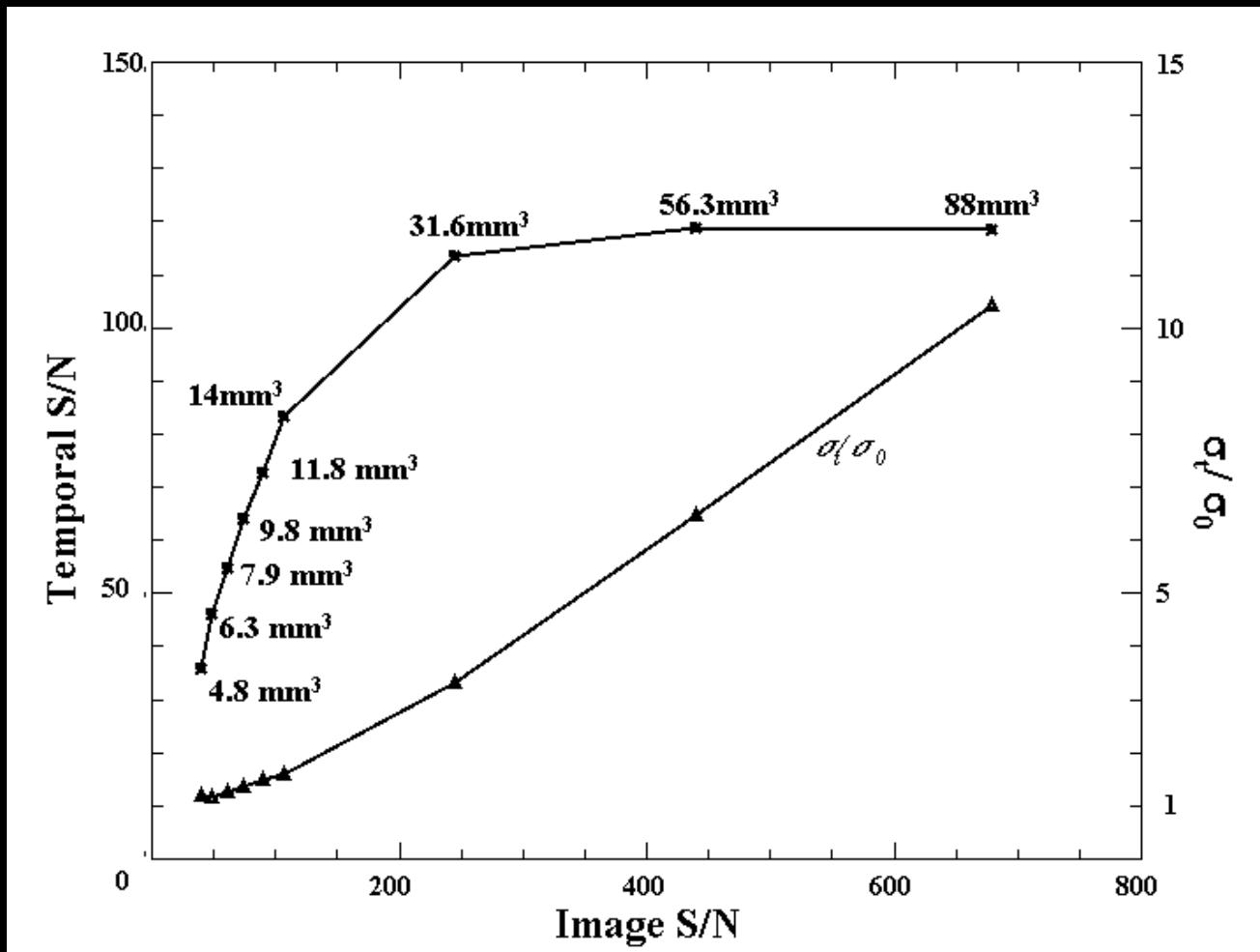
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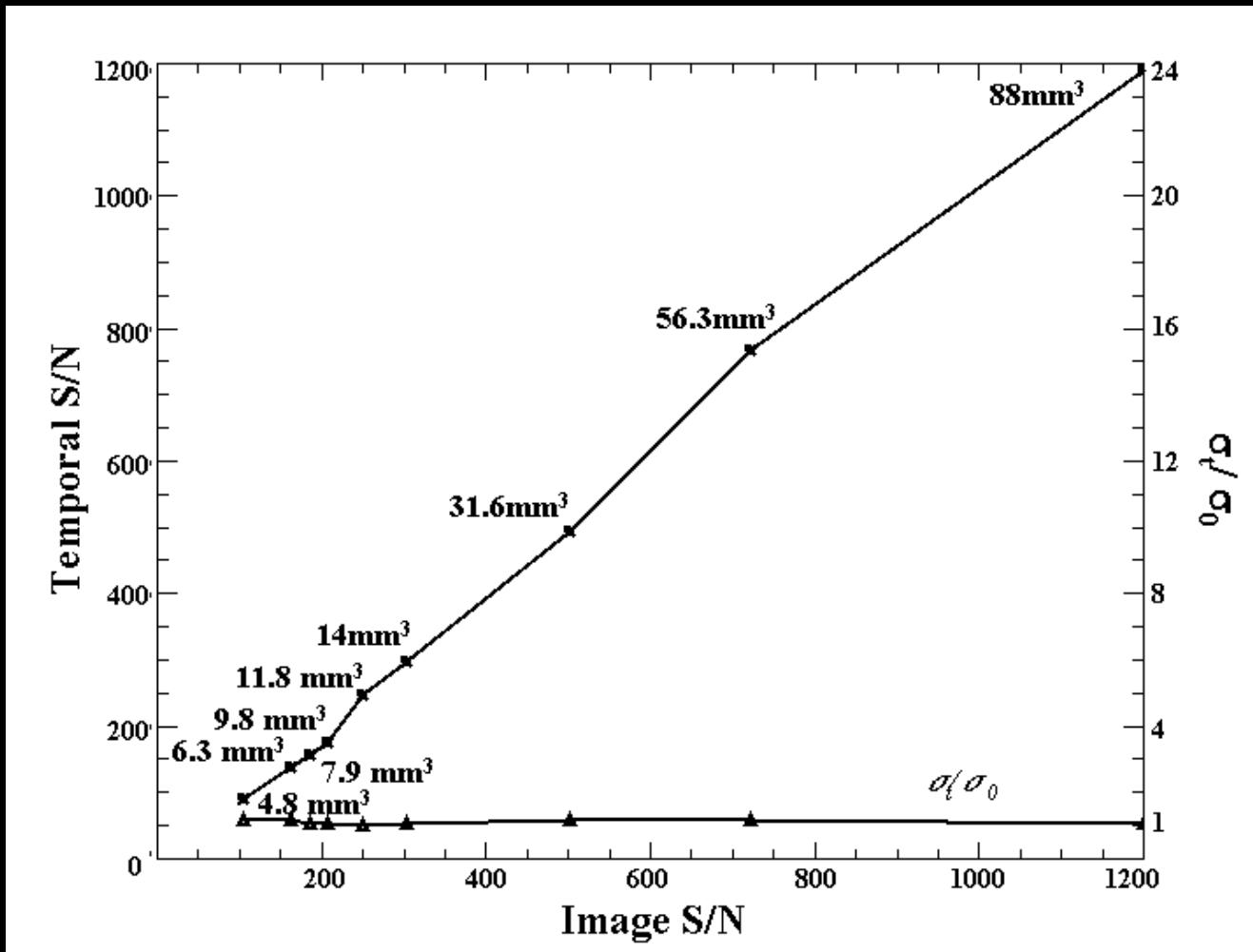
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Human data

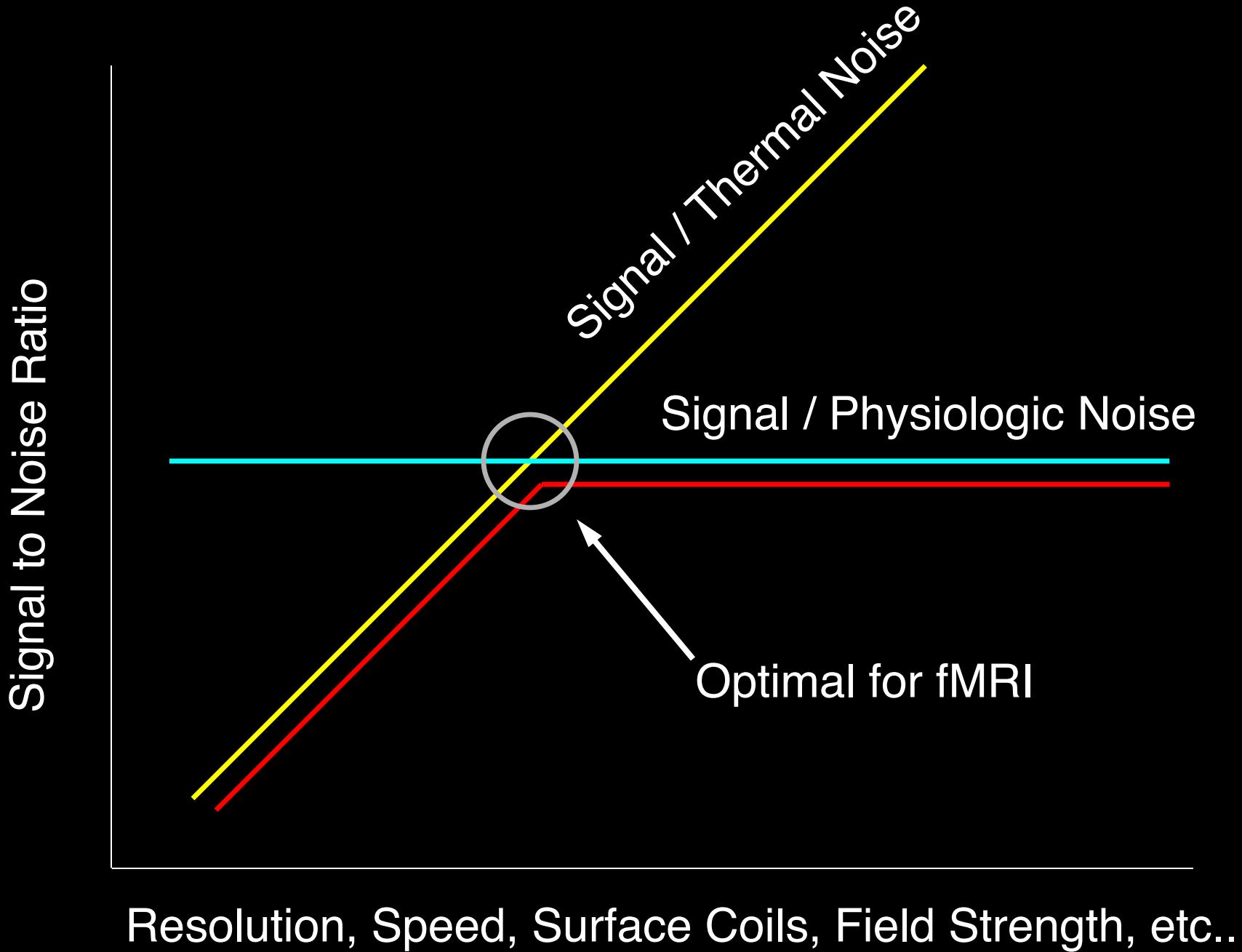
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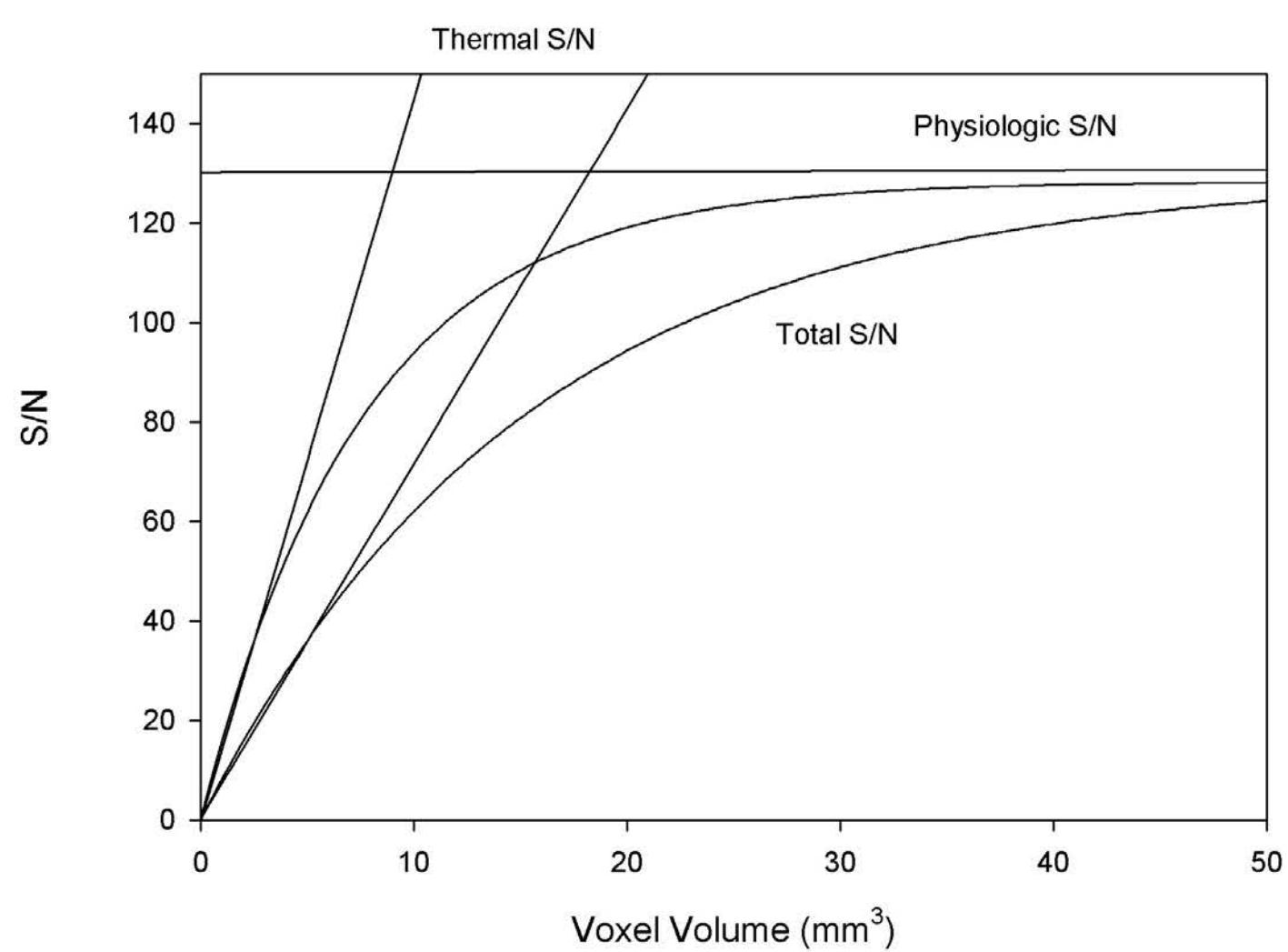
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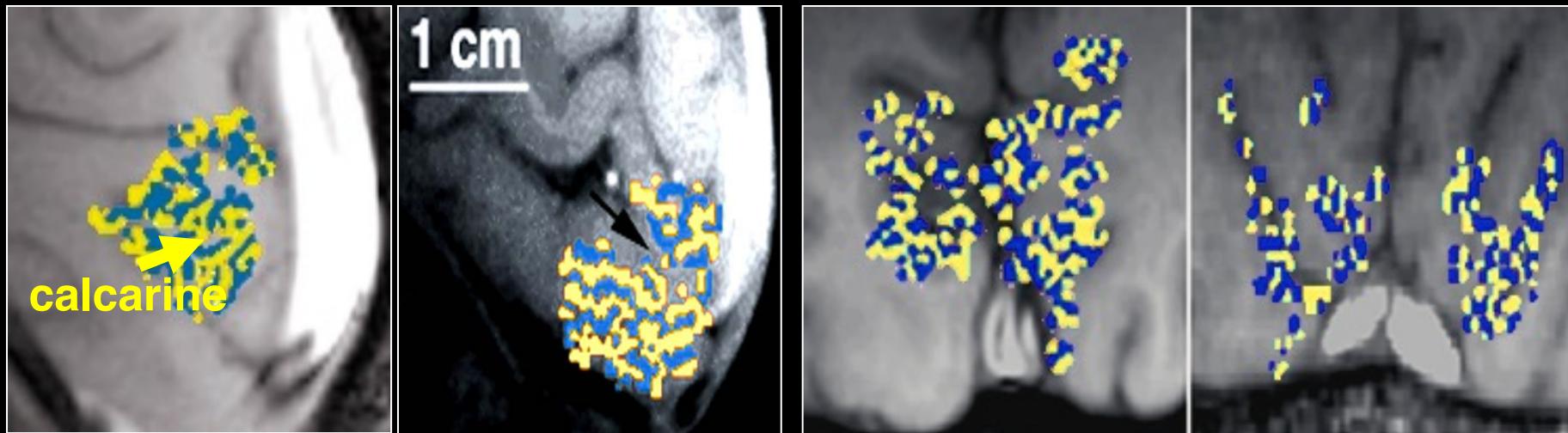
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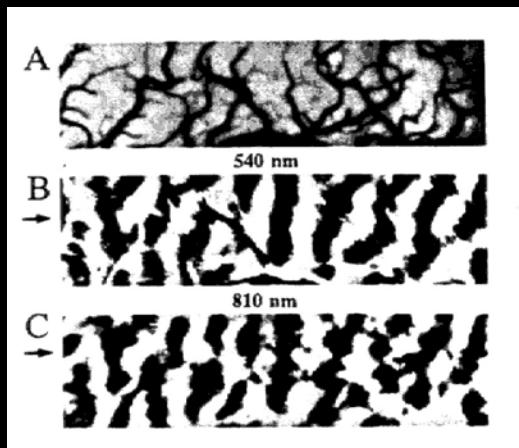




# Ocular Dominance Column Mapping using fMRI



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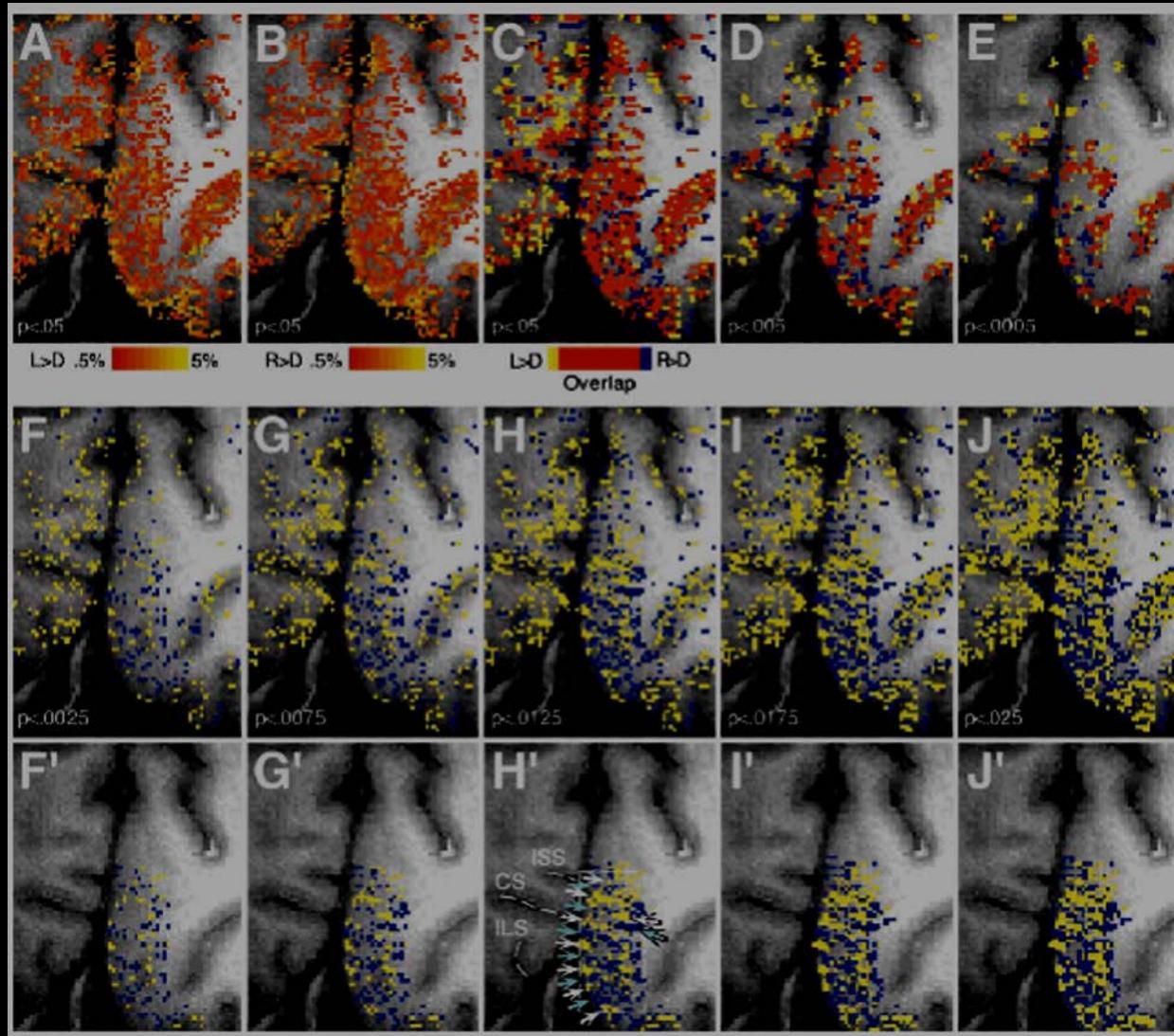


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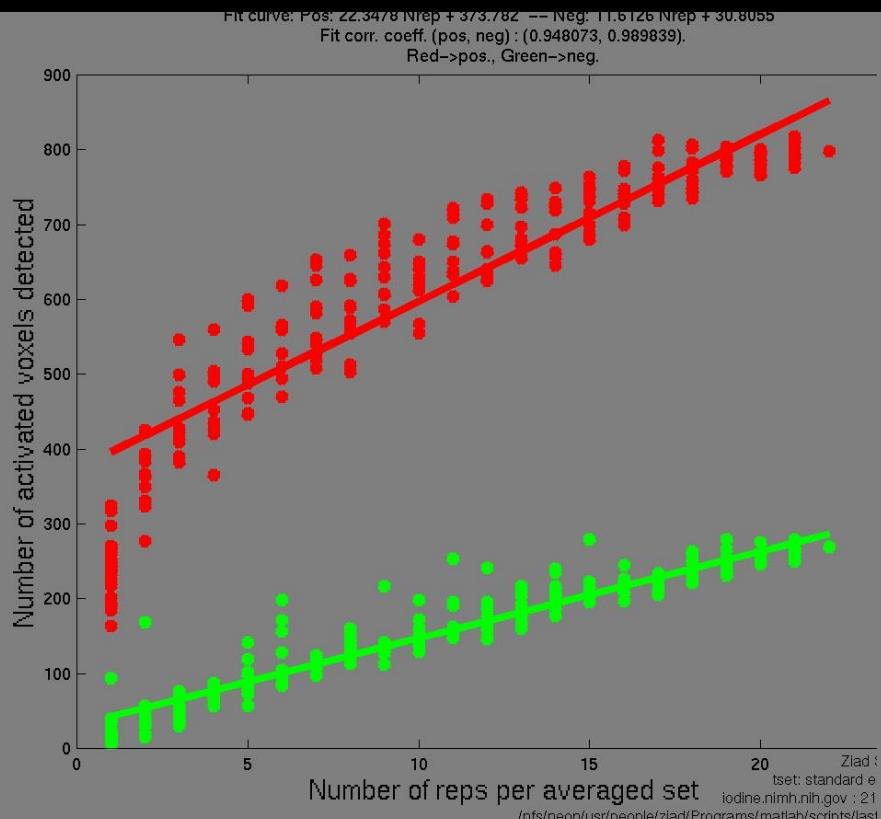
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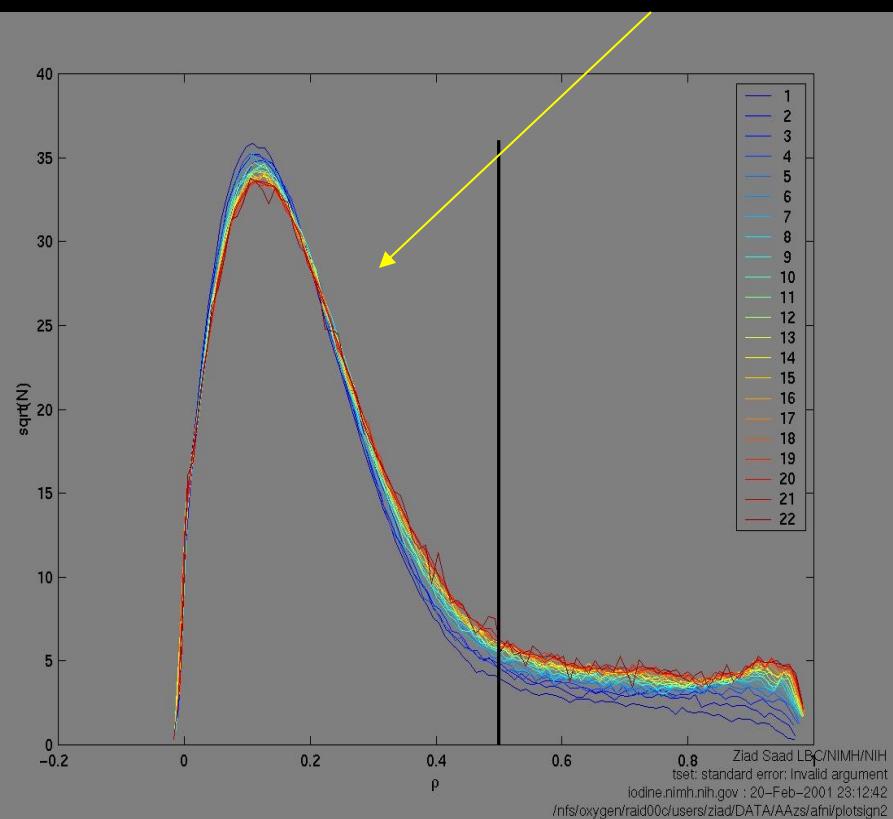
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# Continuously Growing Activation Area



# CC Histogram Inflection Point



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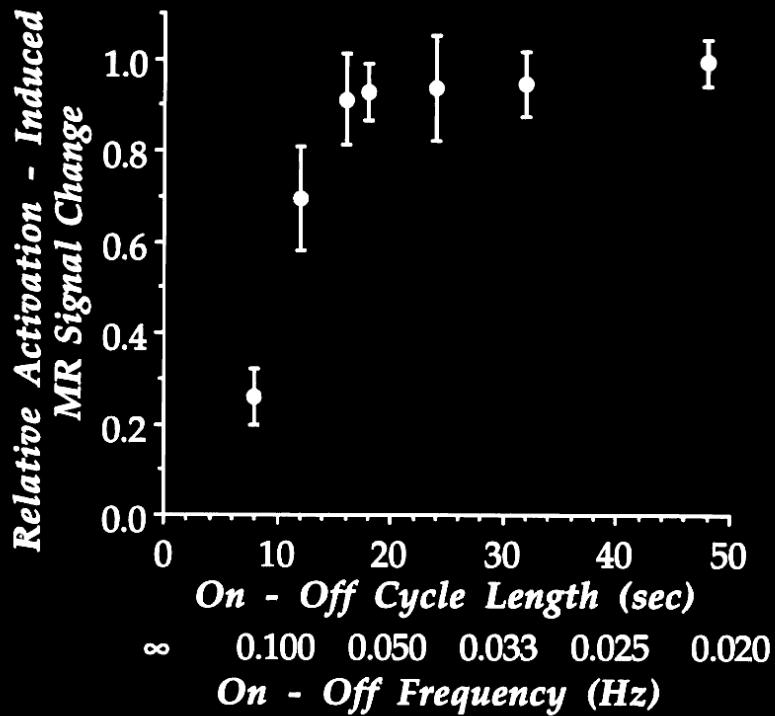
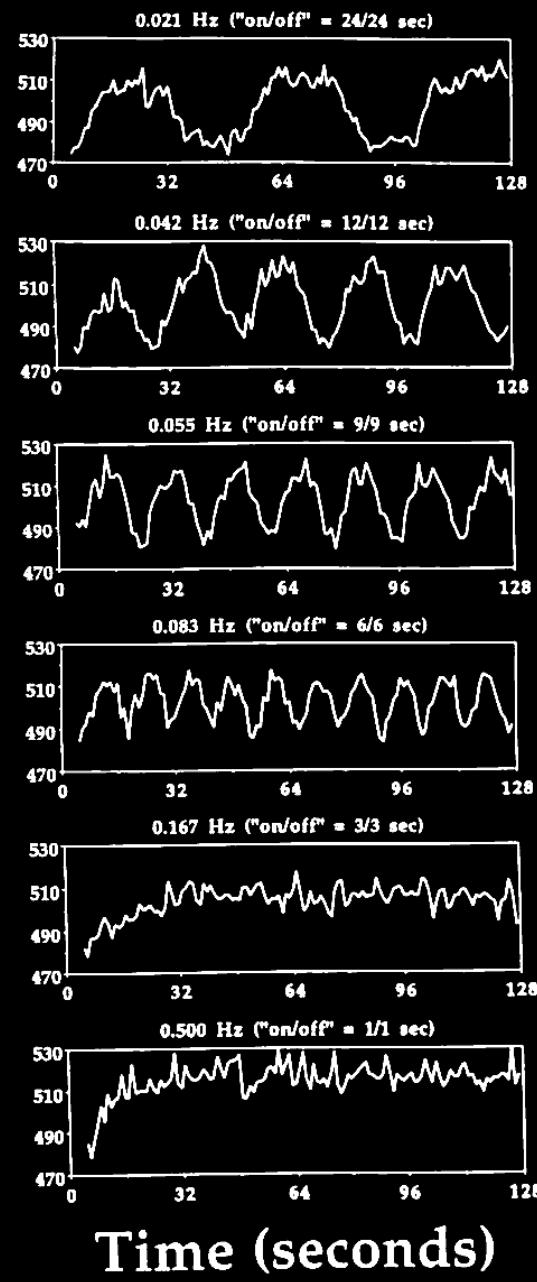
# Refinements

BOLD Contrast Interpretation

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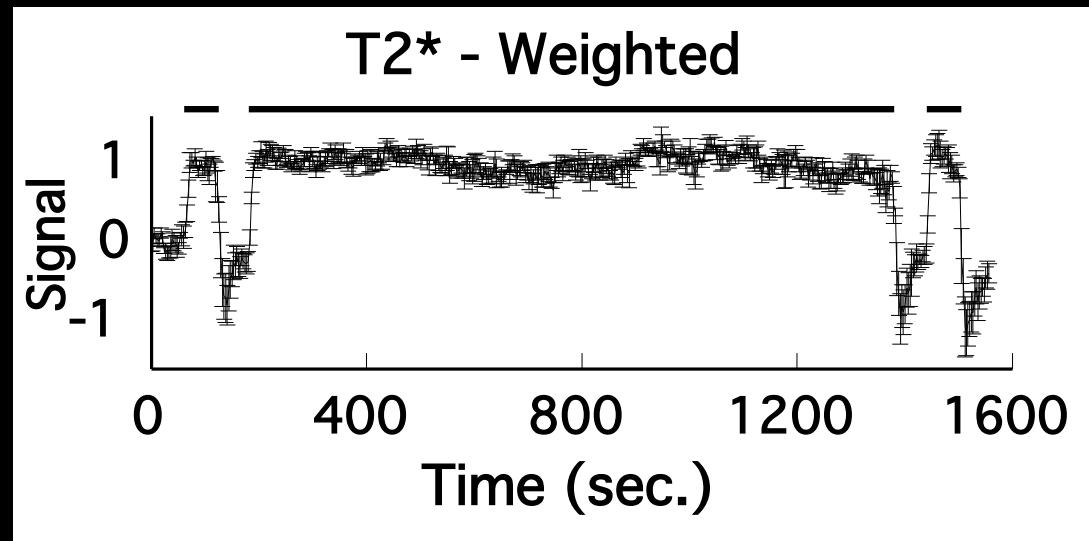
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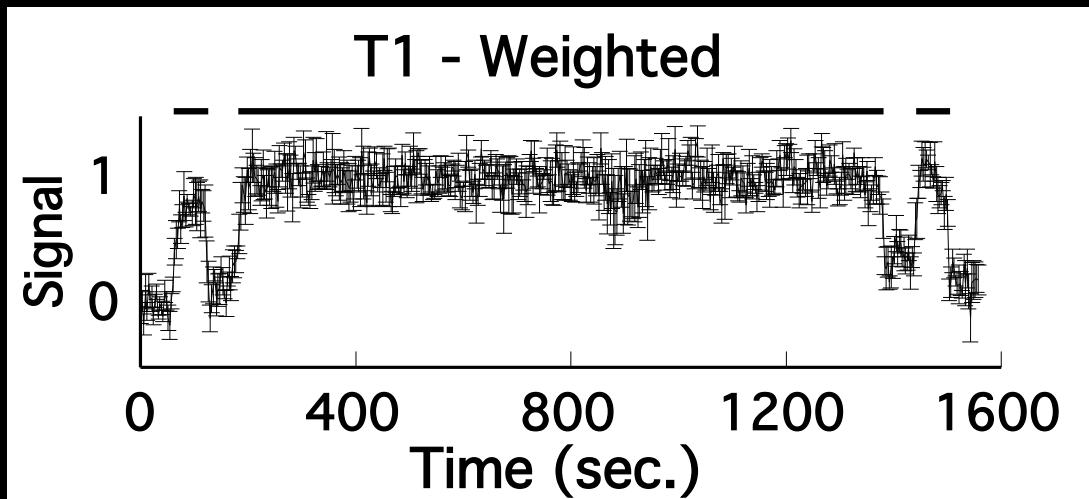


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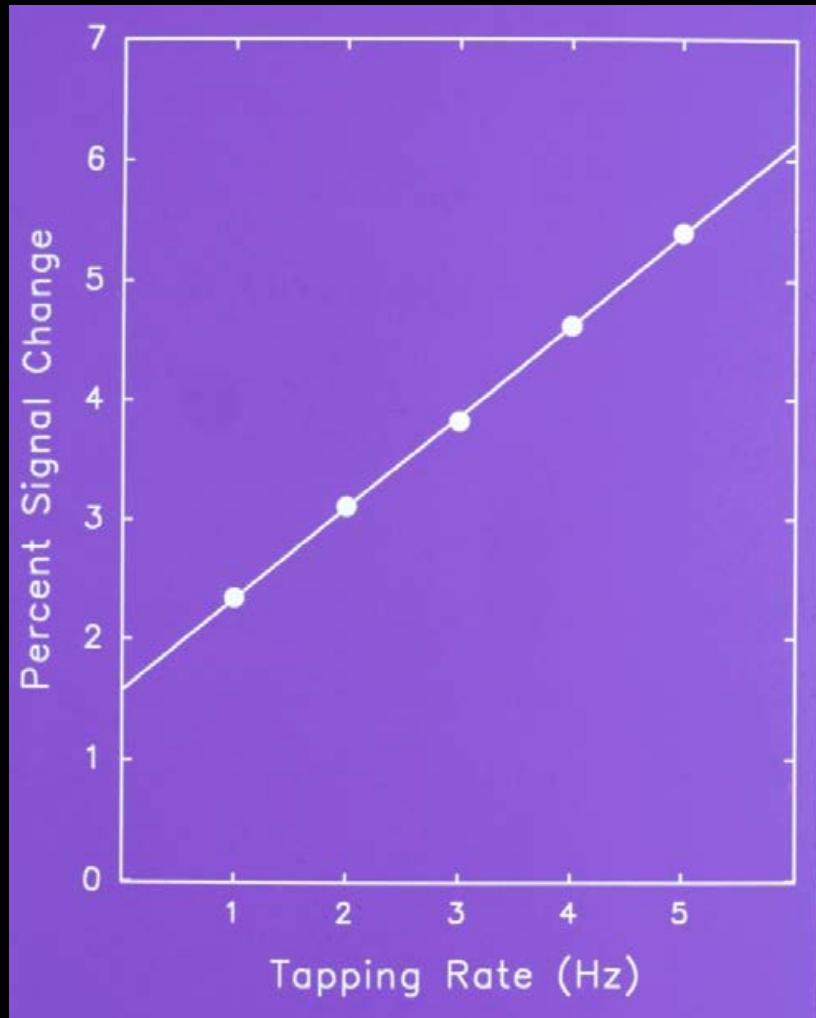


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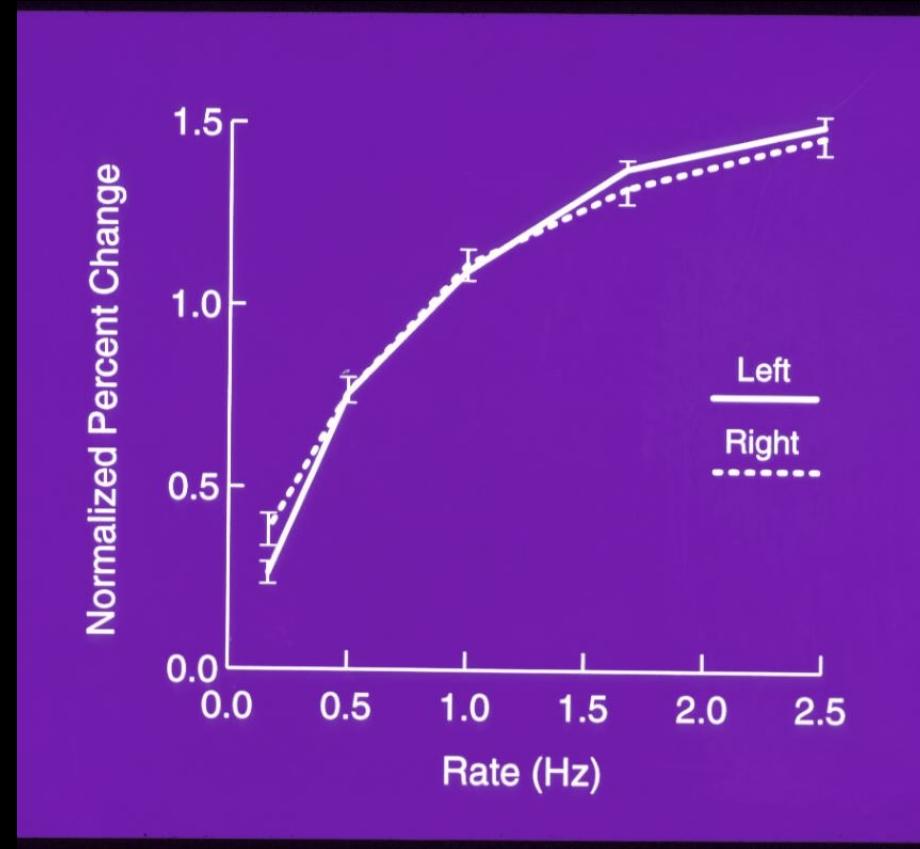
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# Motor Cortex



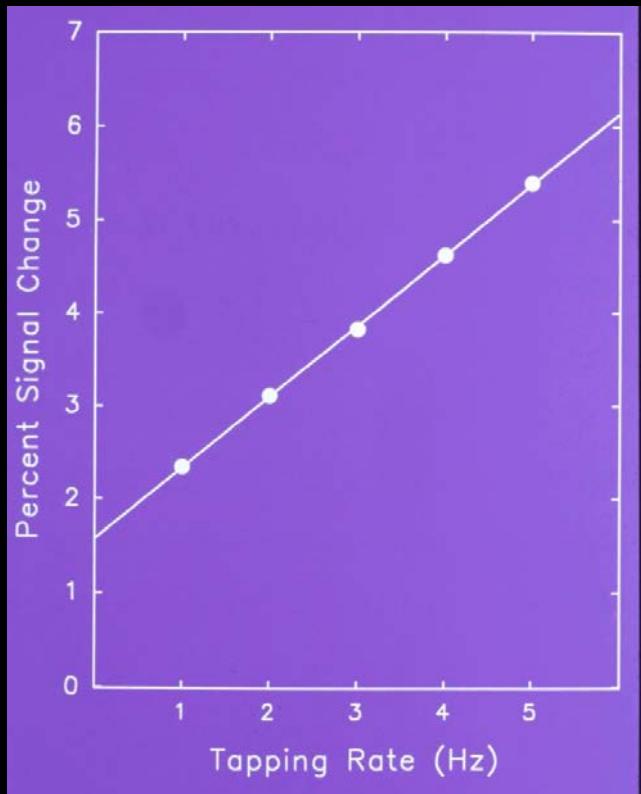
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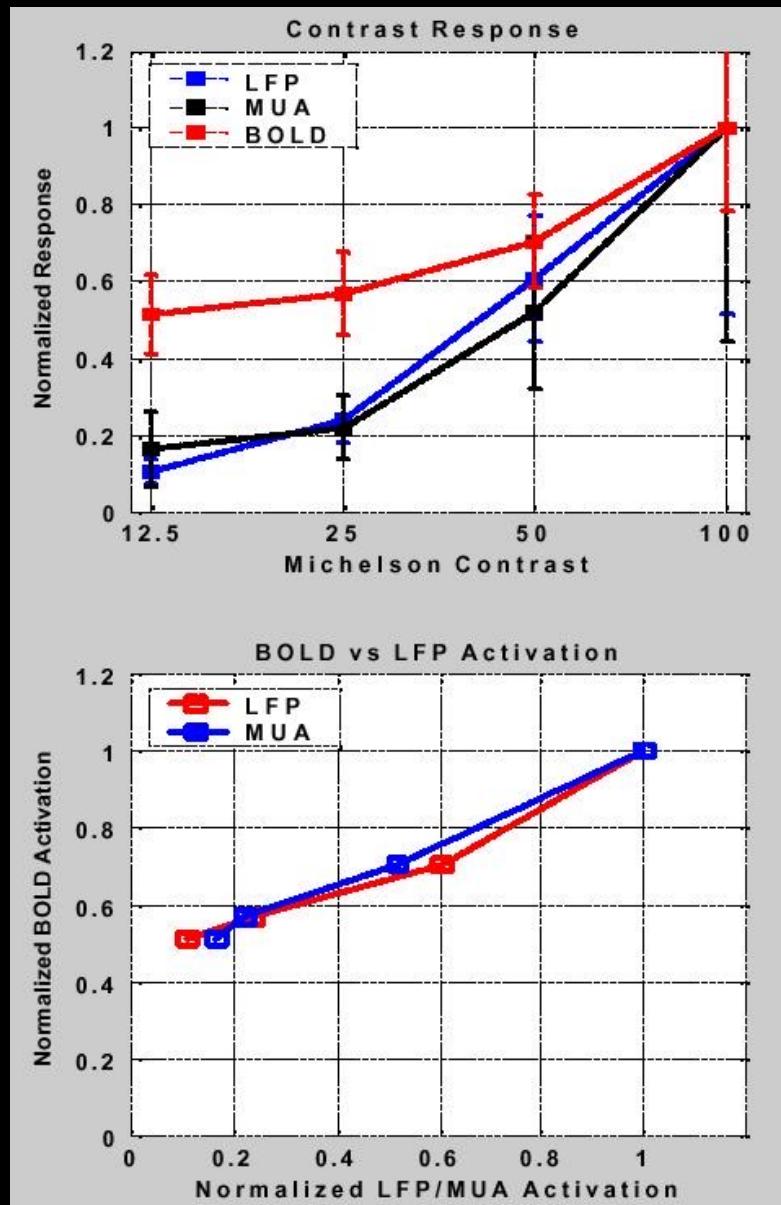


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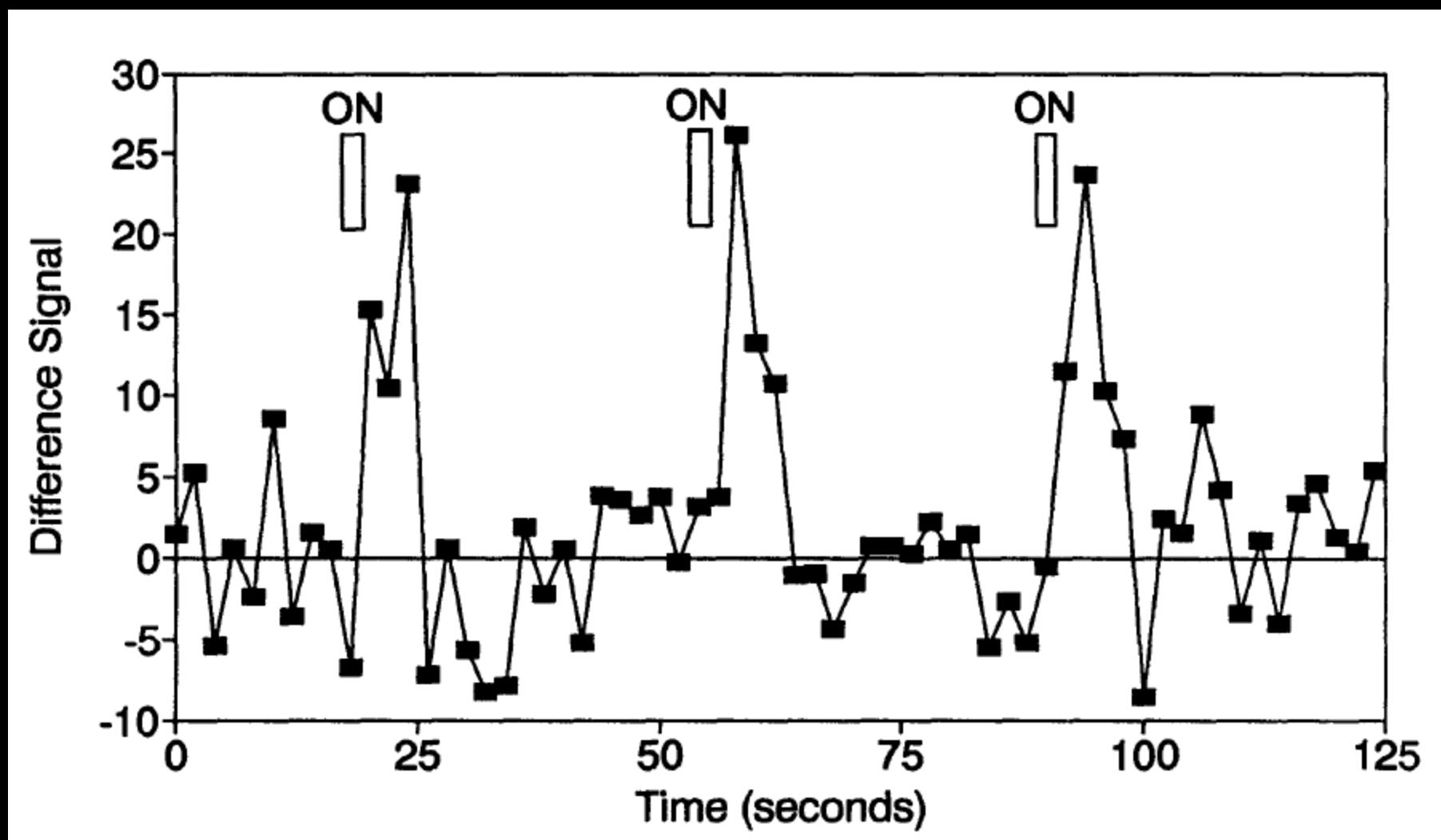
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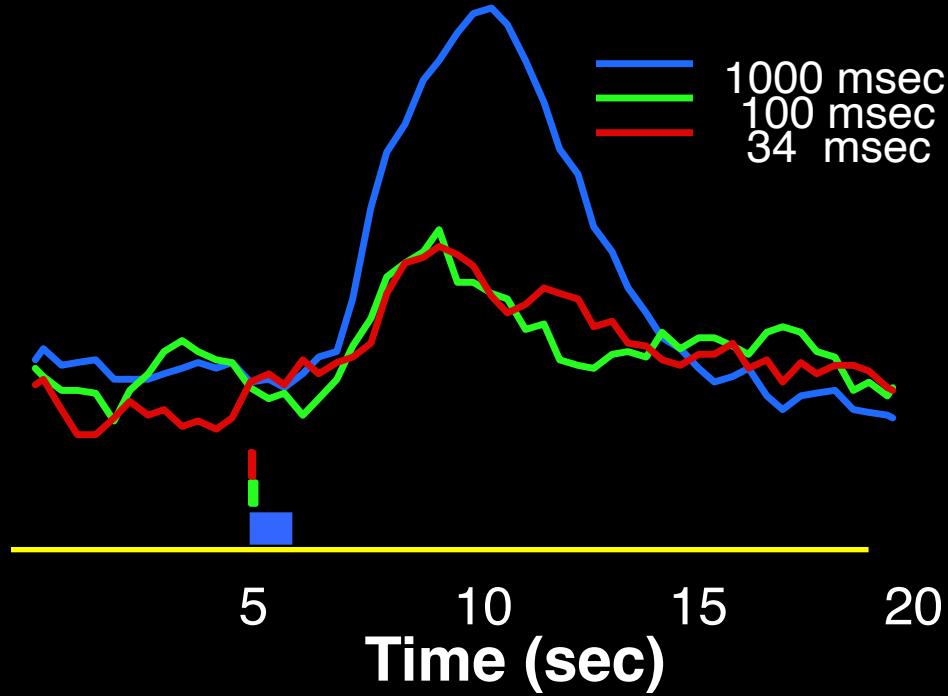
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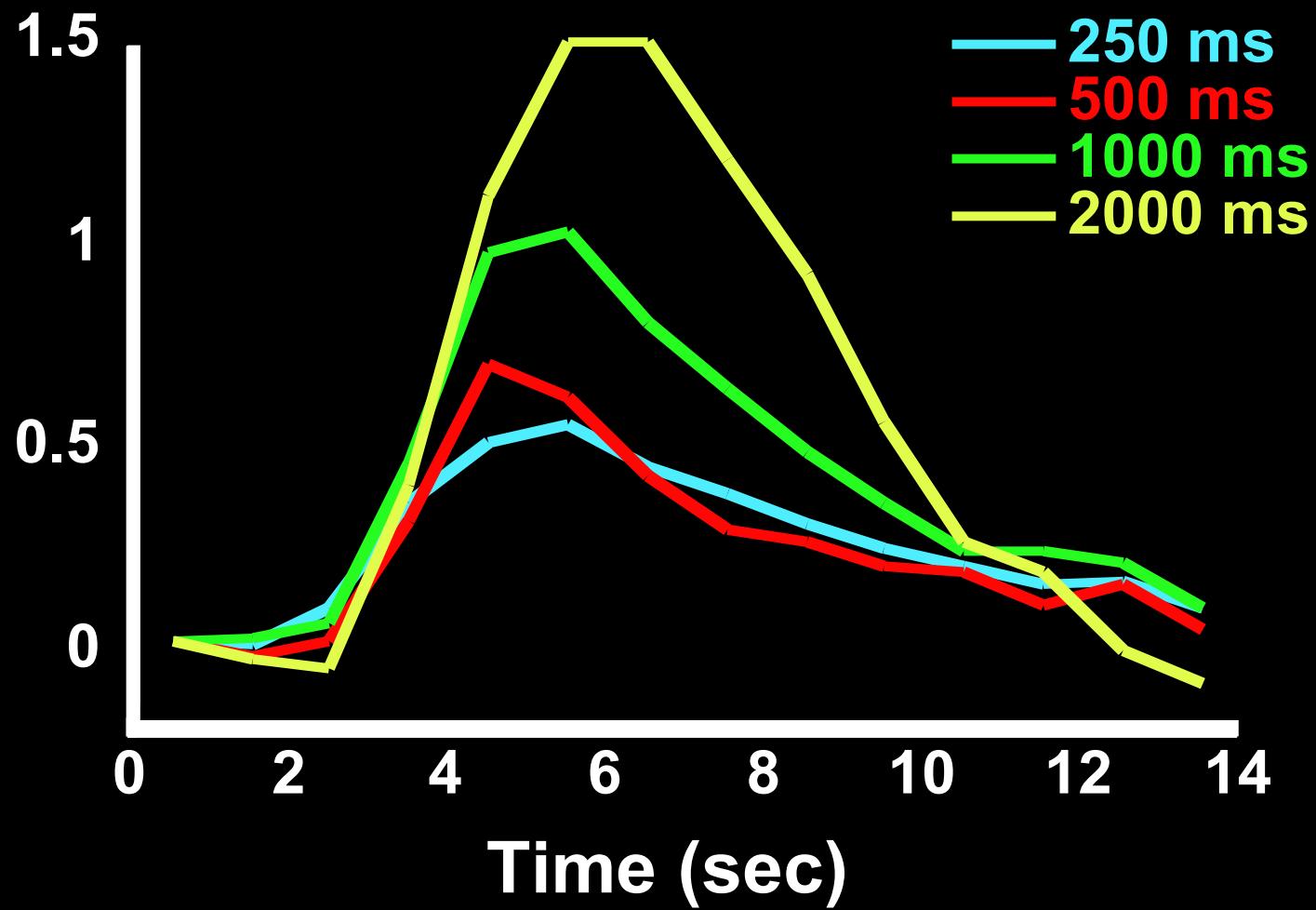
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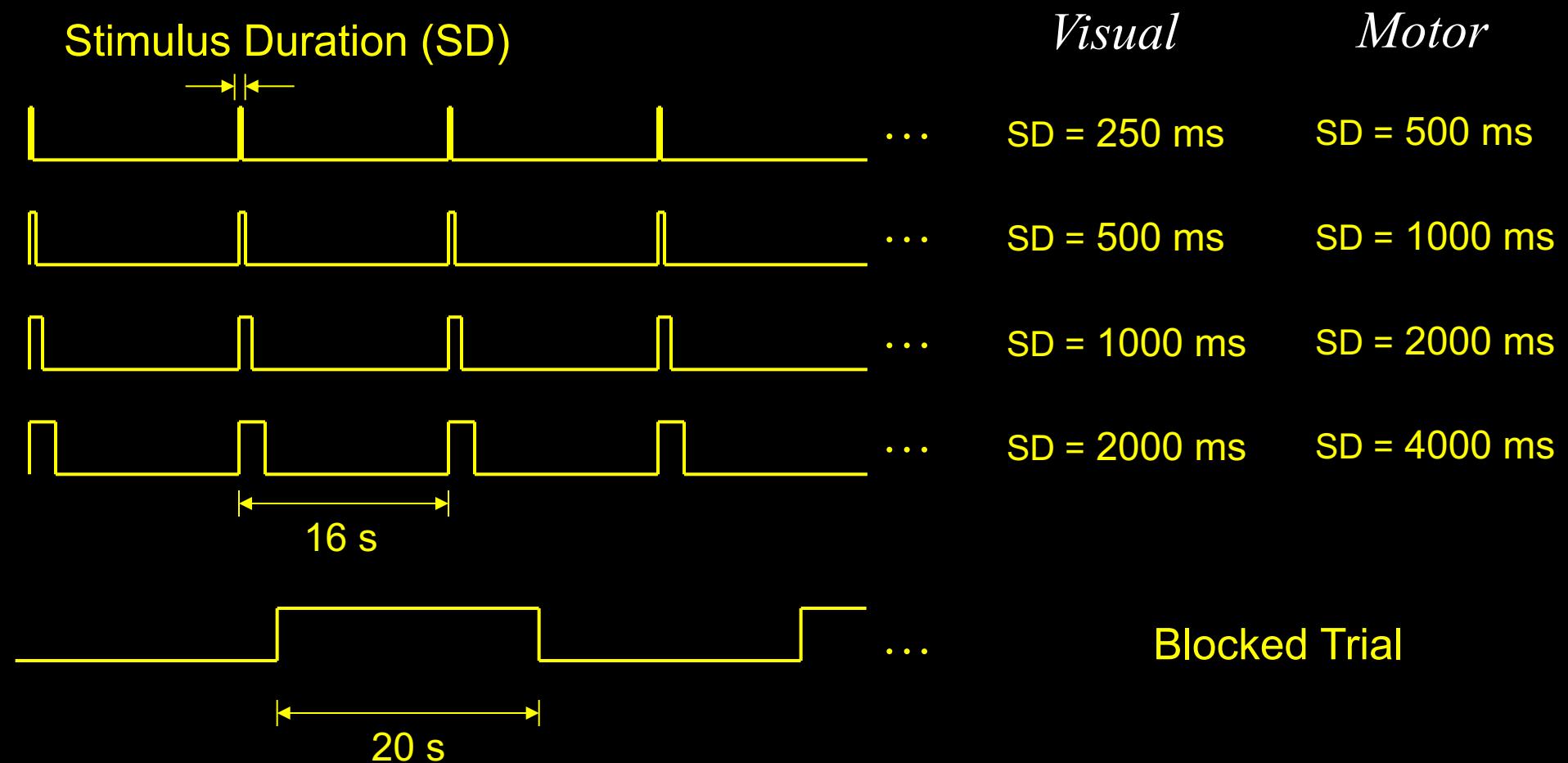
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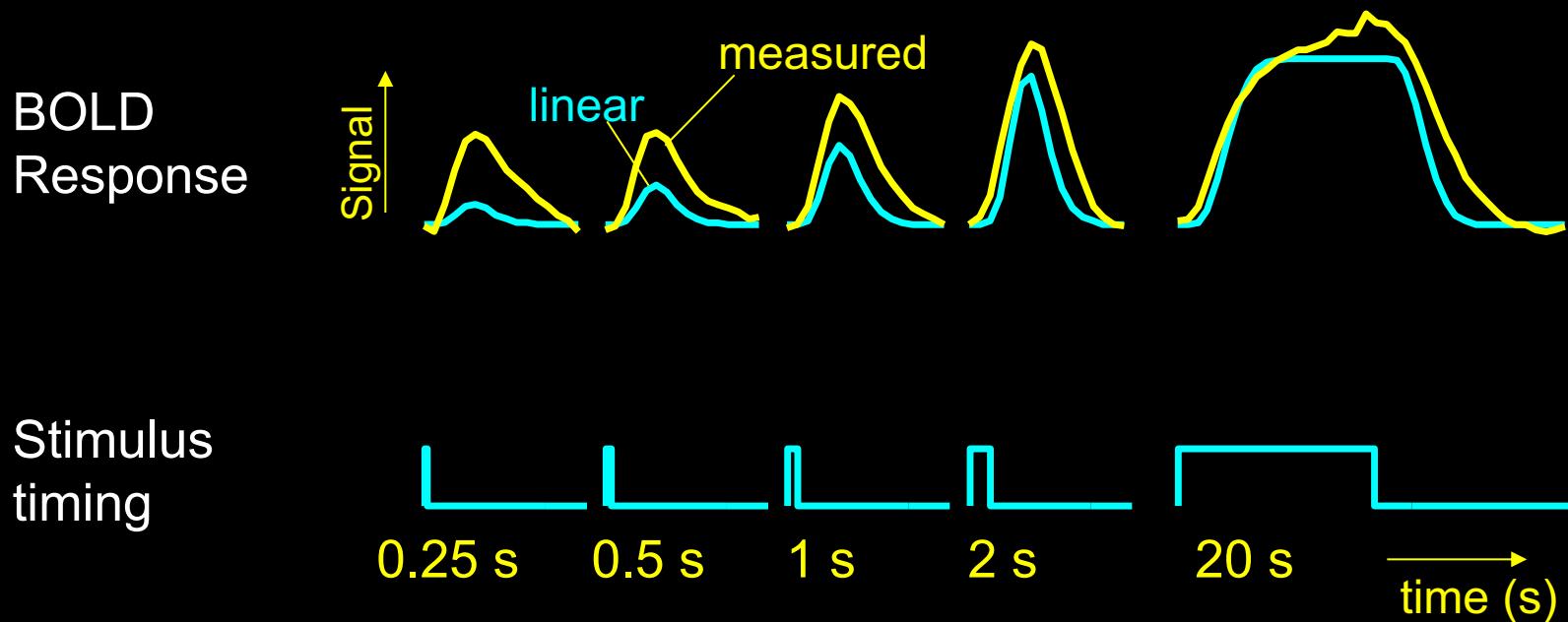


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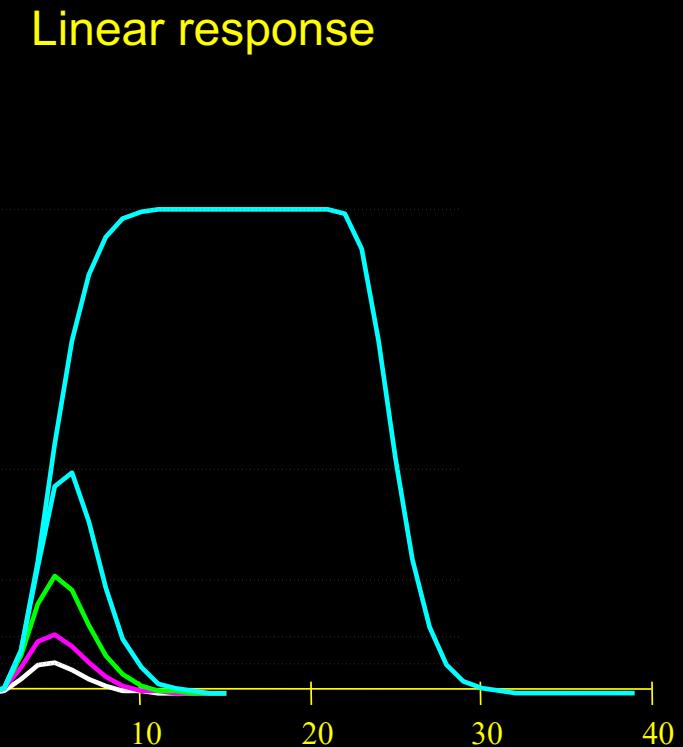
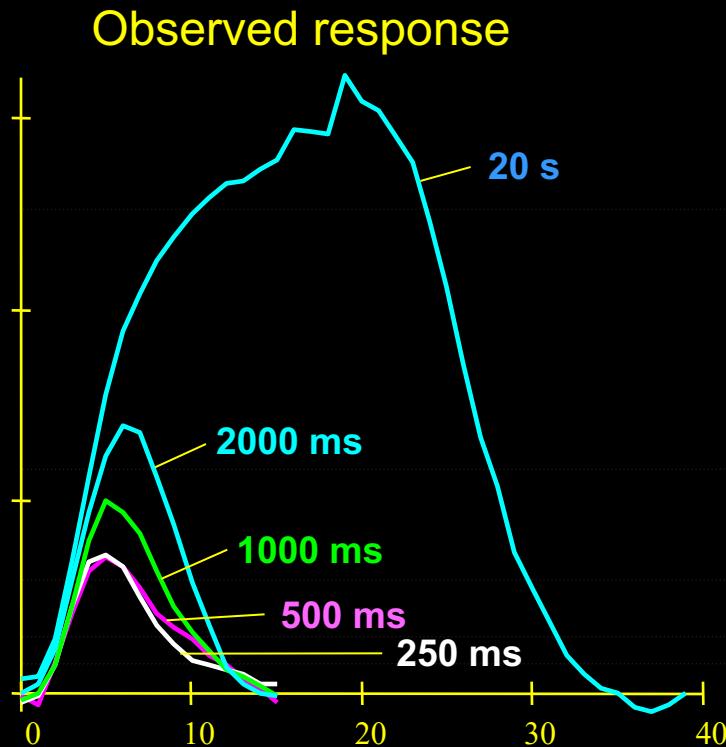
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Different stimulus “ON” periods



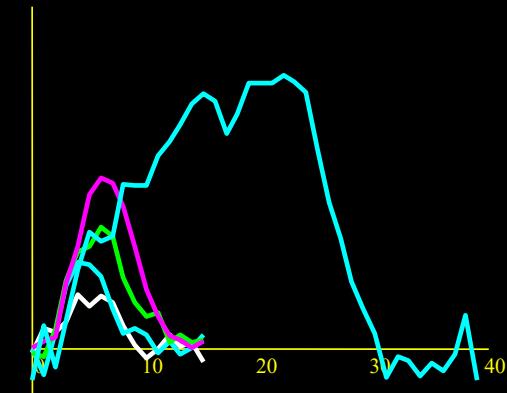
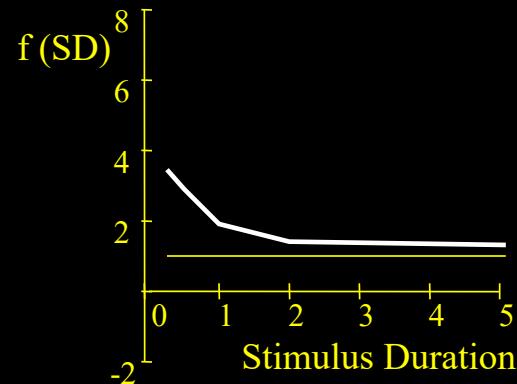
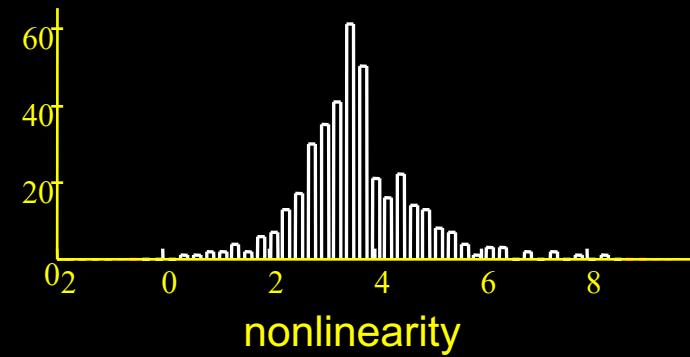
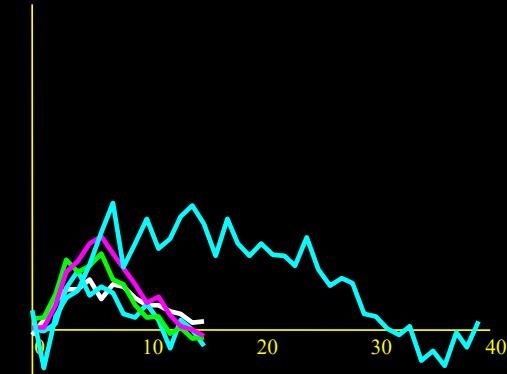
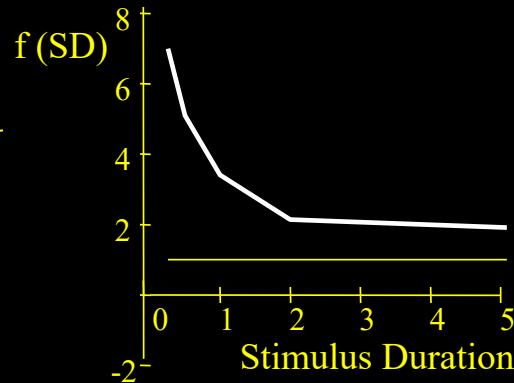
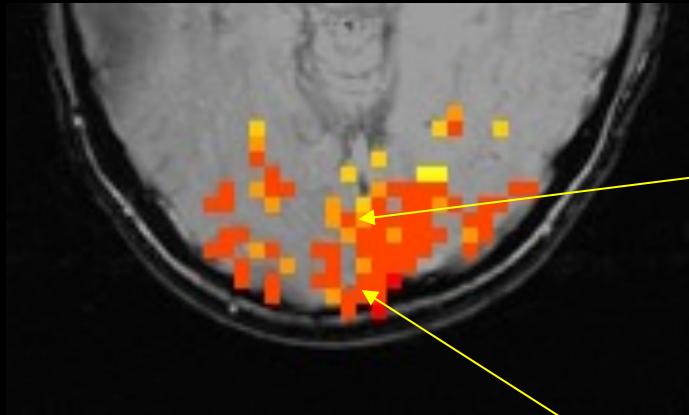
*Brief stimuli produce larger responses than expected*

# BOLD response is nonlinear



*Short duration stimuli produce larger responses than expected*

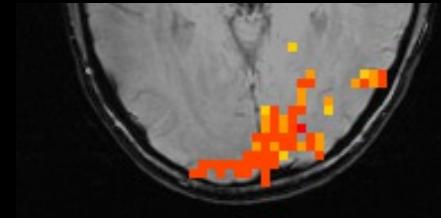
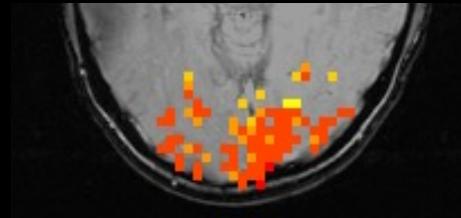
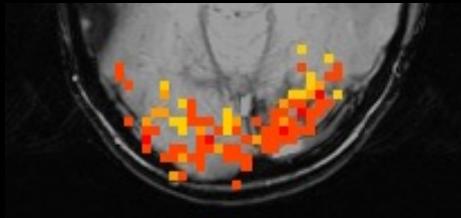
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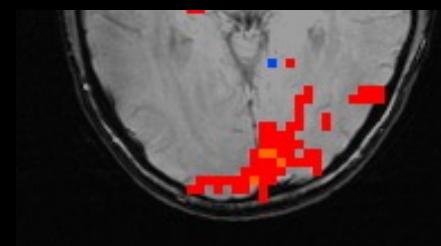
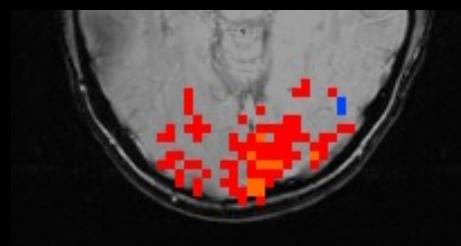
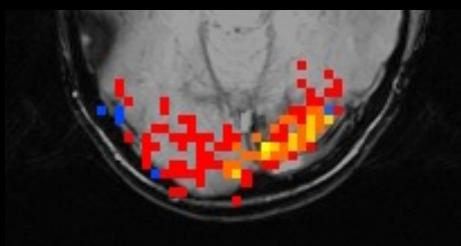
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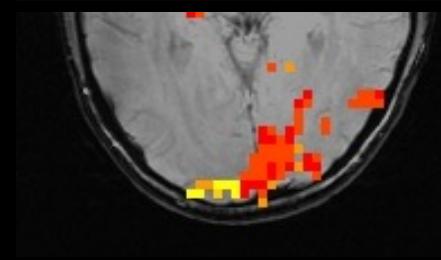
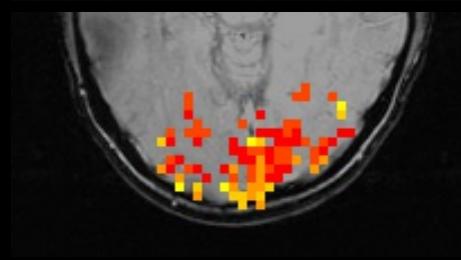
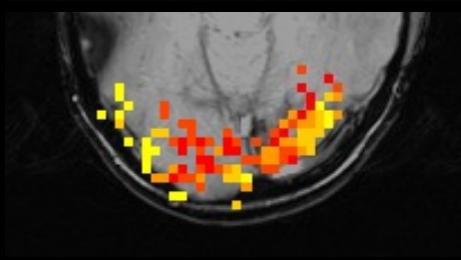
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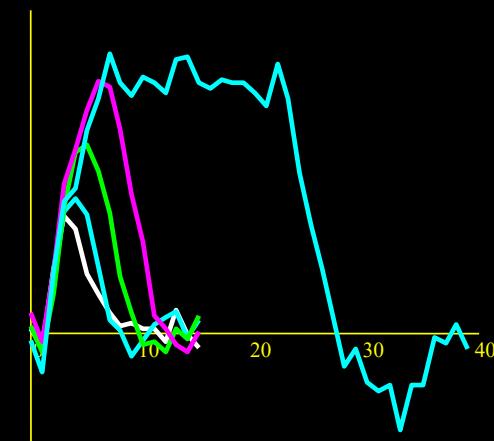
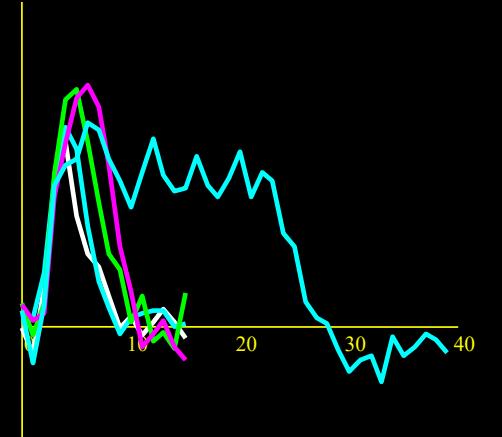
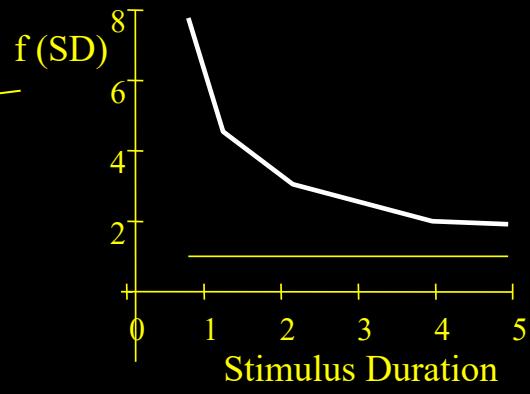
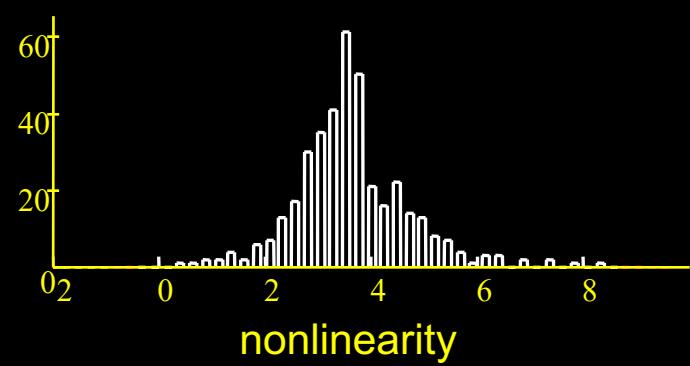
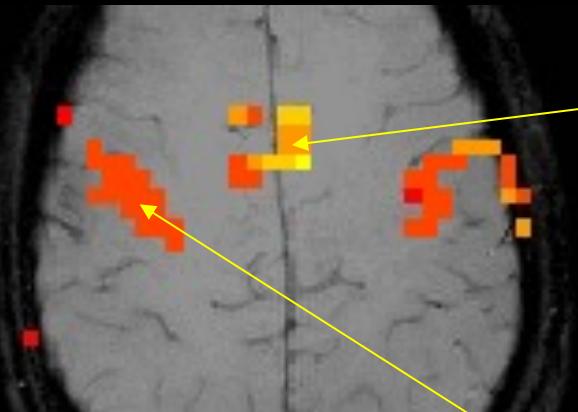
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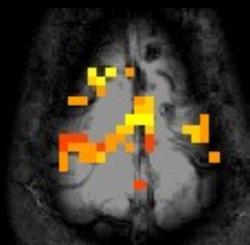
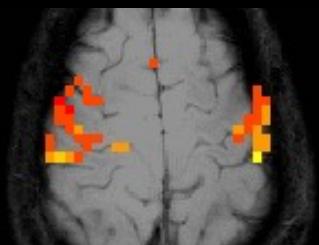
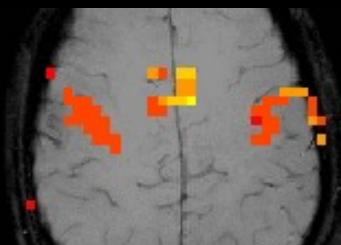


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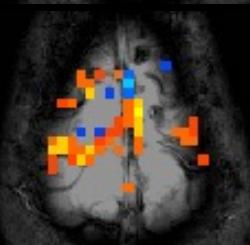
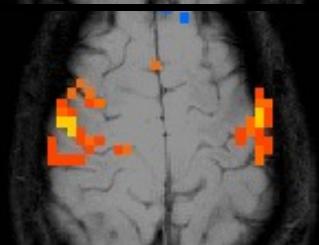
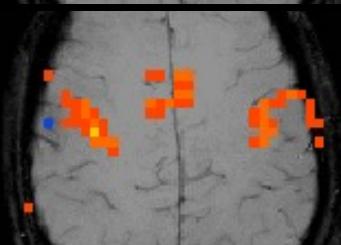


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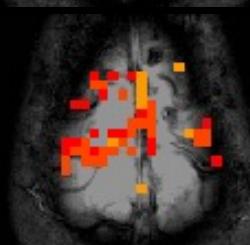
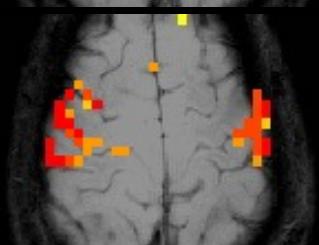
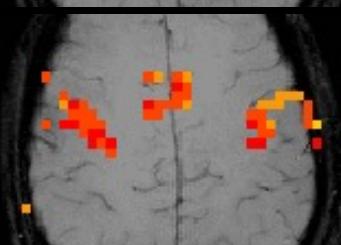
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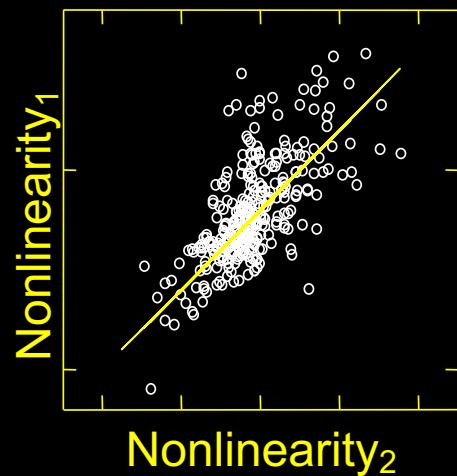


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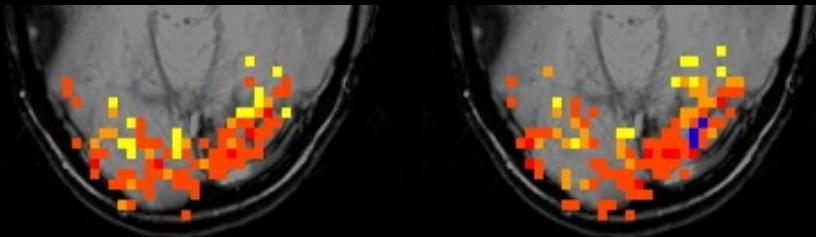
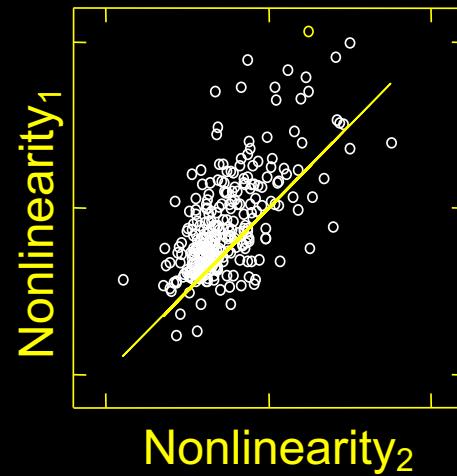


# Reproducibility

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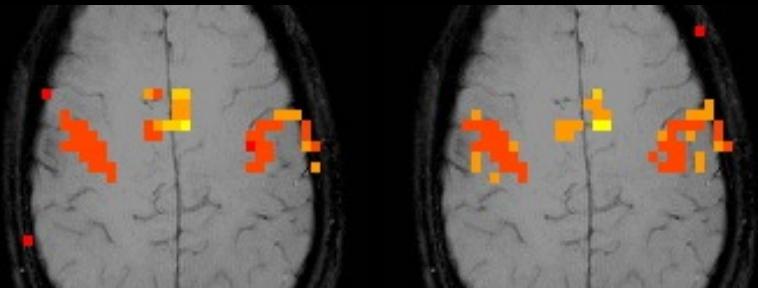


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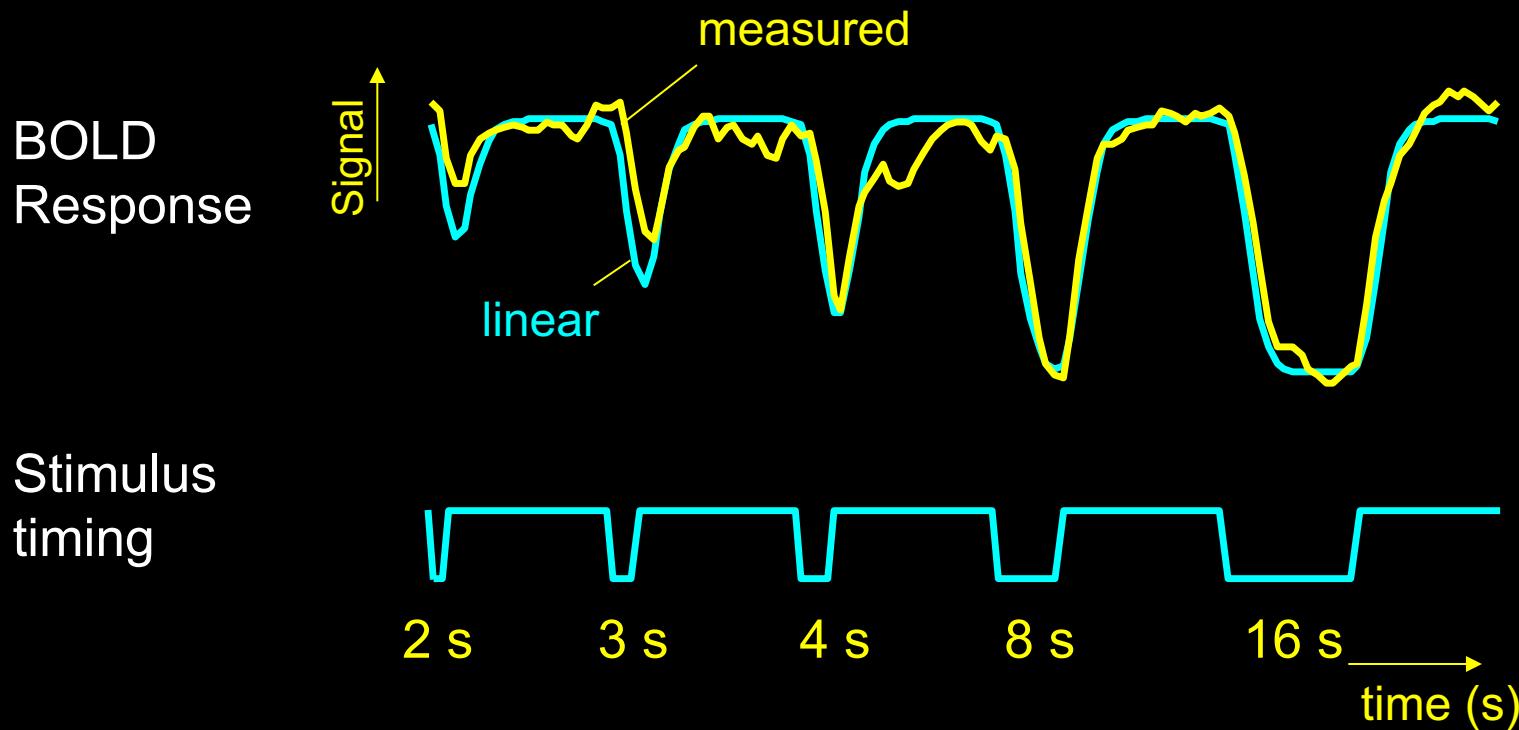
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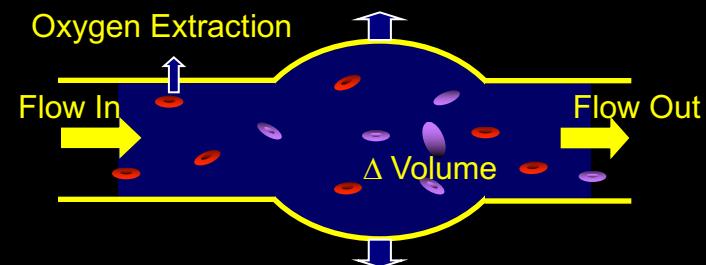
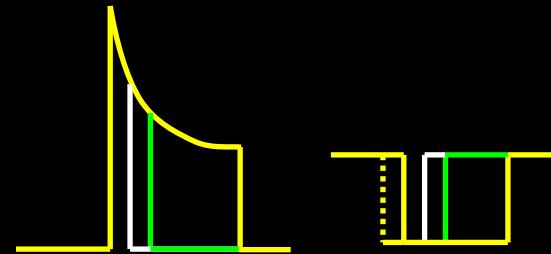
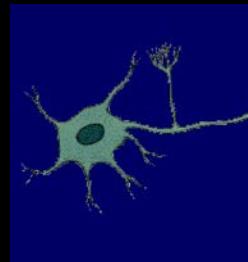
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# Sources of this Nonlinearity

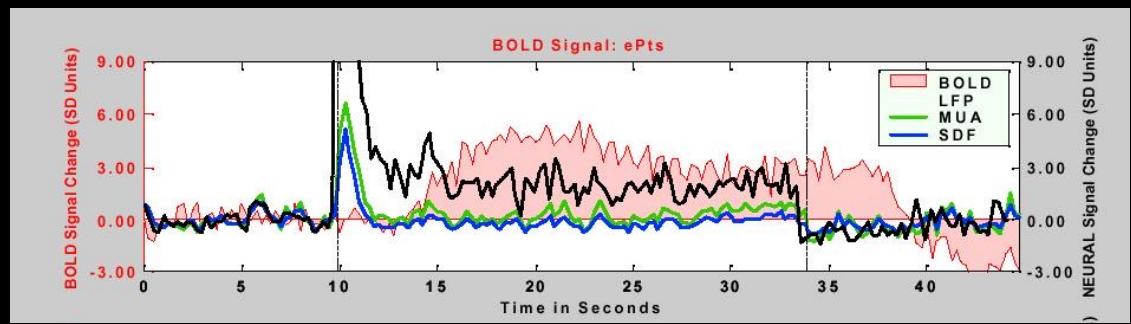
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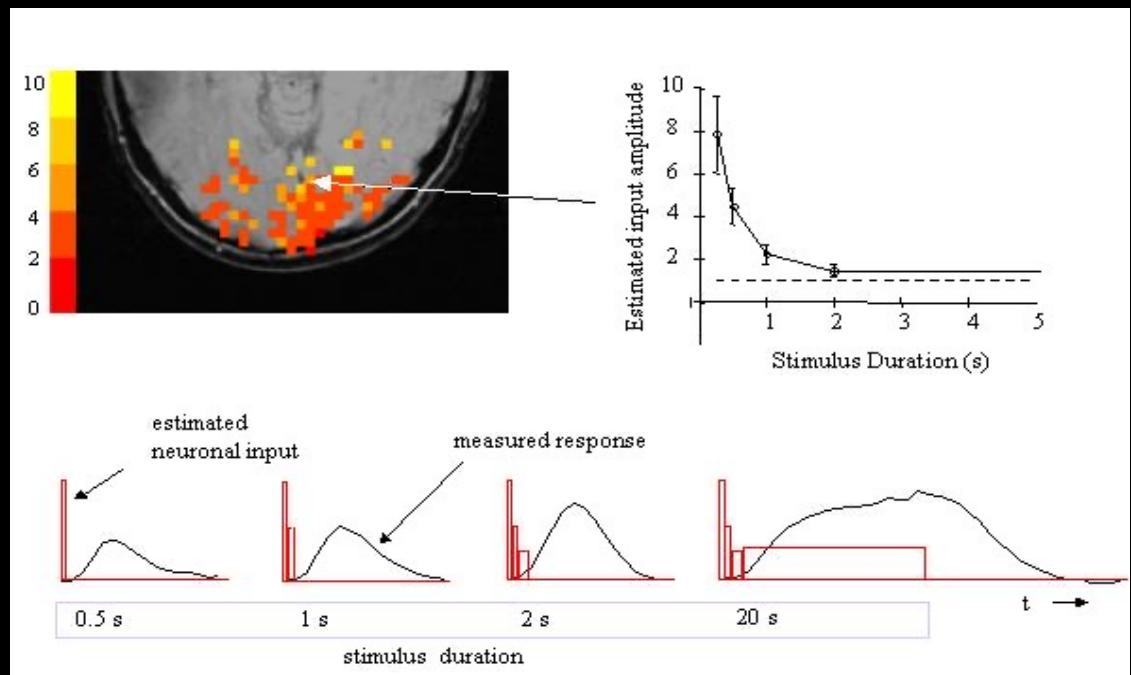
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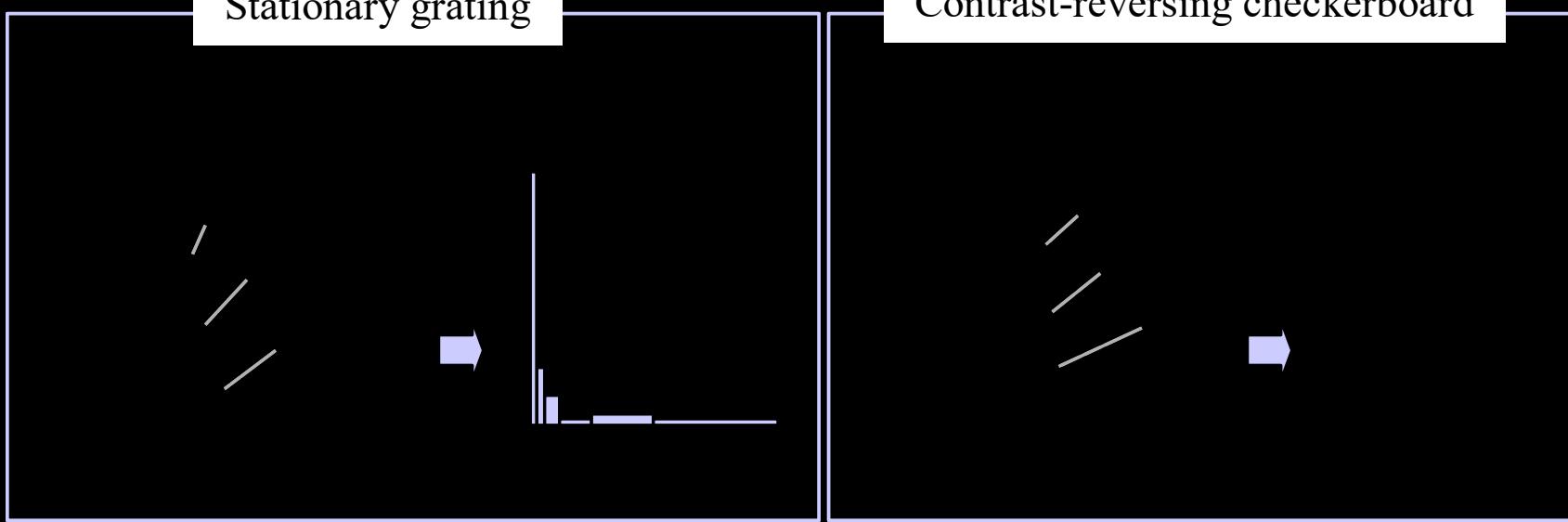
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Stationary grating

Contrast-reversing checkerboard



# Refinements

BOLD Contrast Interpretation

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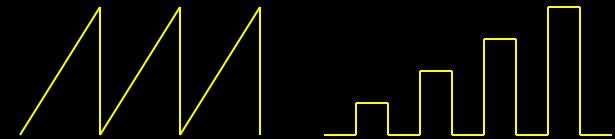
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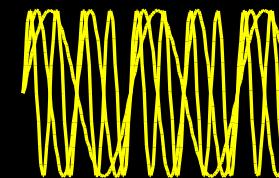


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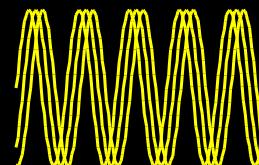
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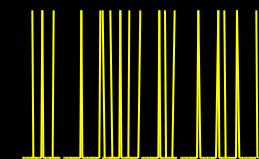
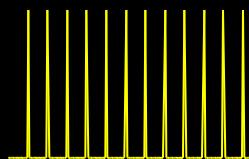
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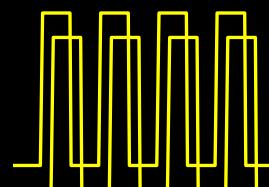
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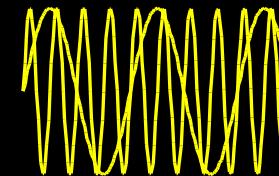
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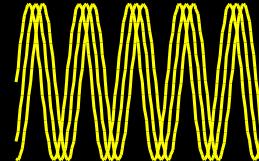
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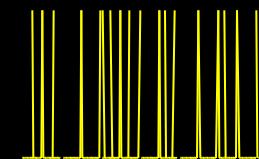
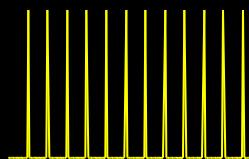
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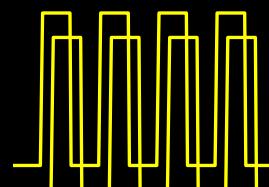
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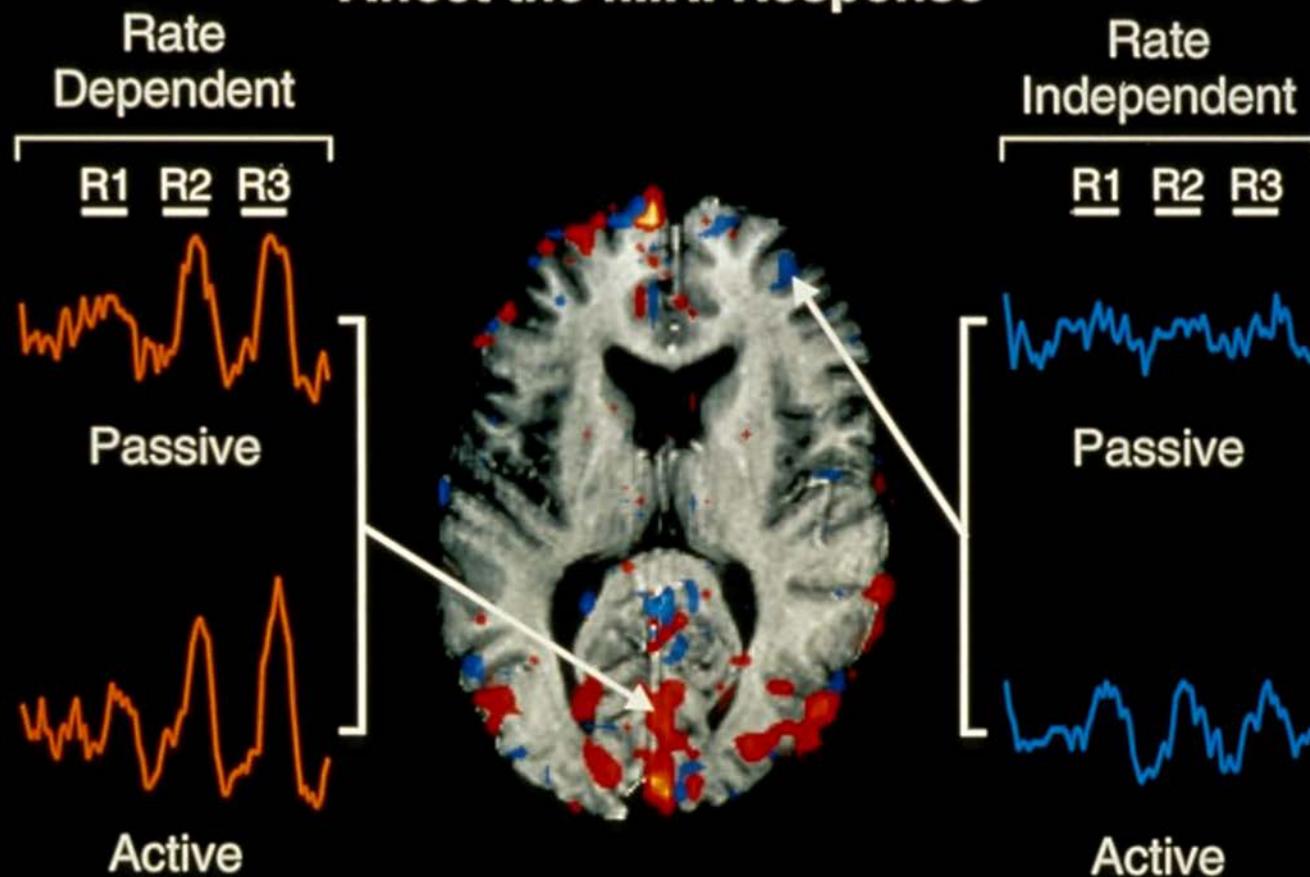
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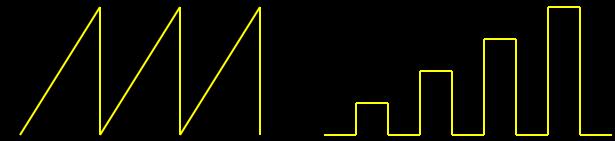
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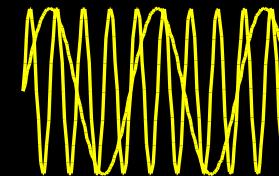
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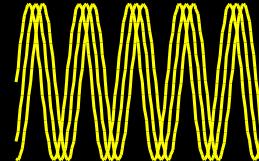
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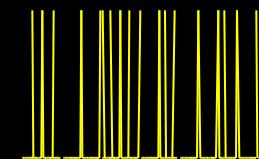
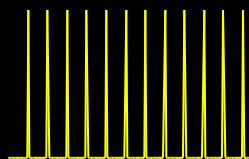
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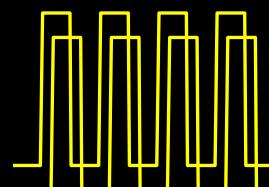
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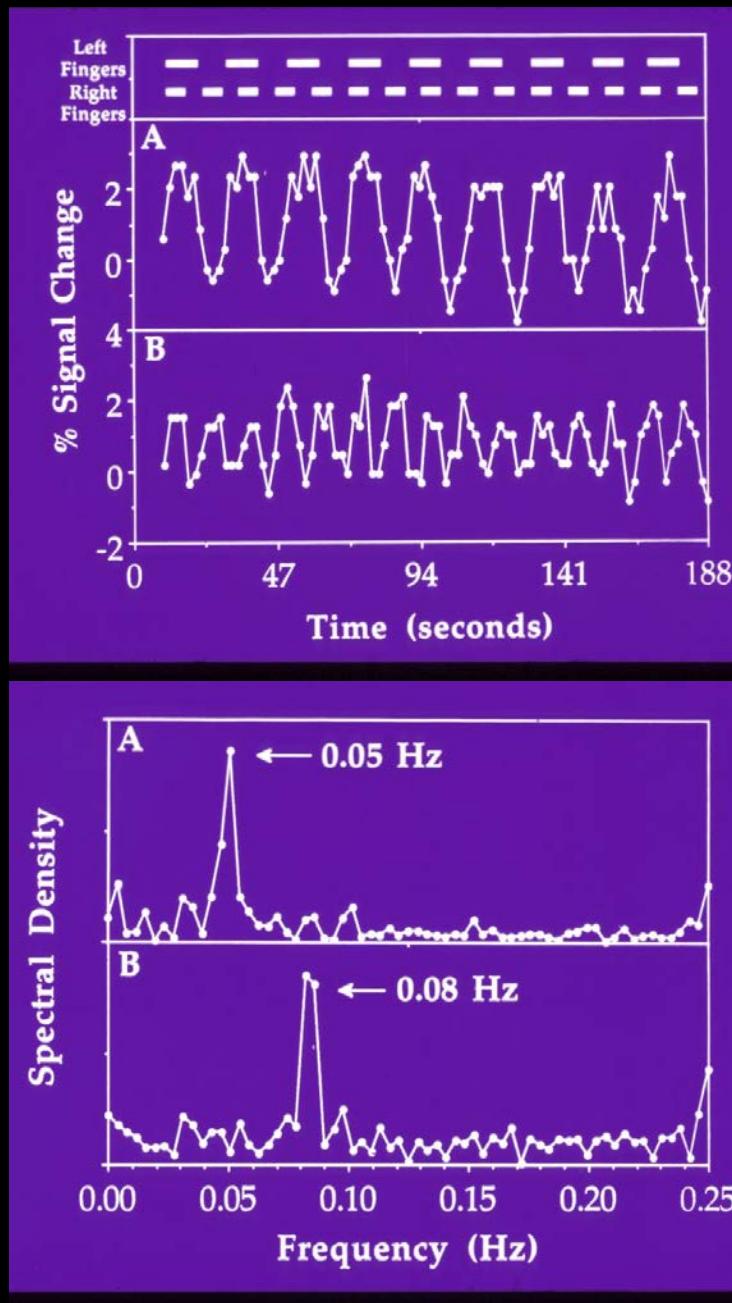
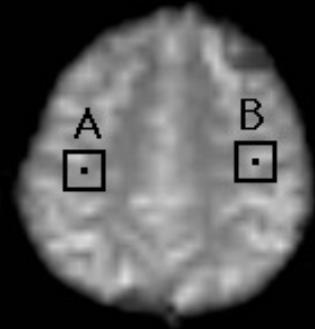


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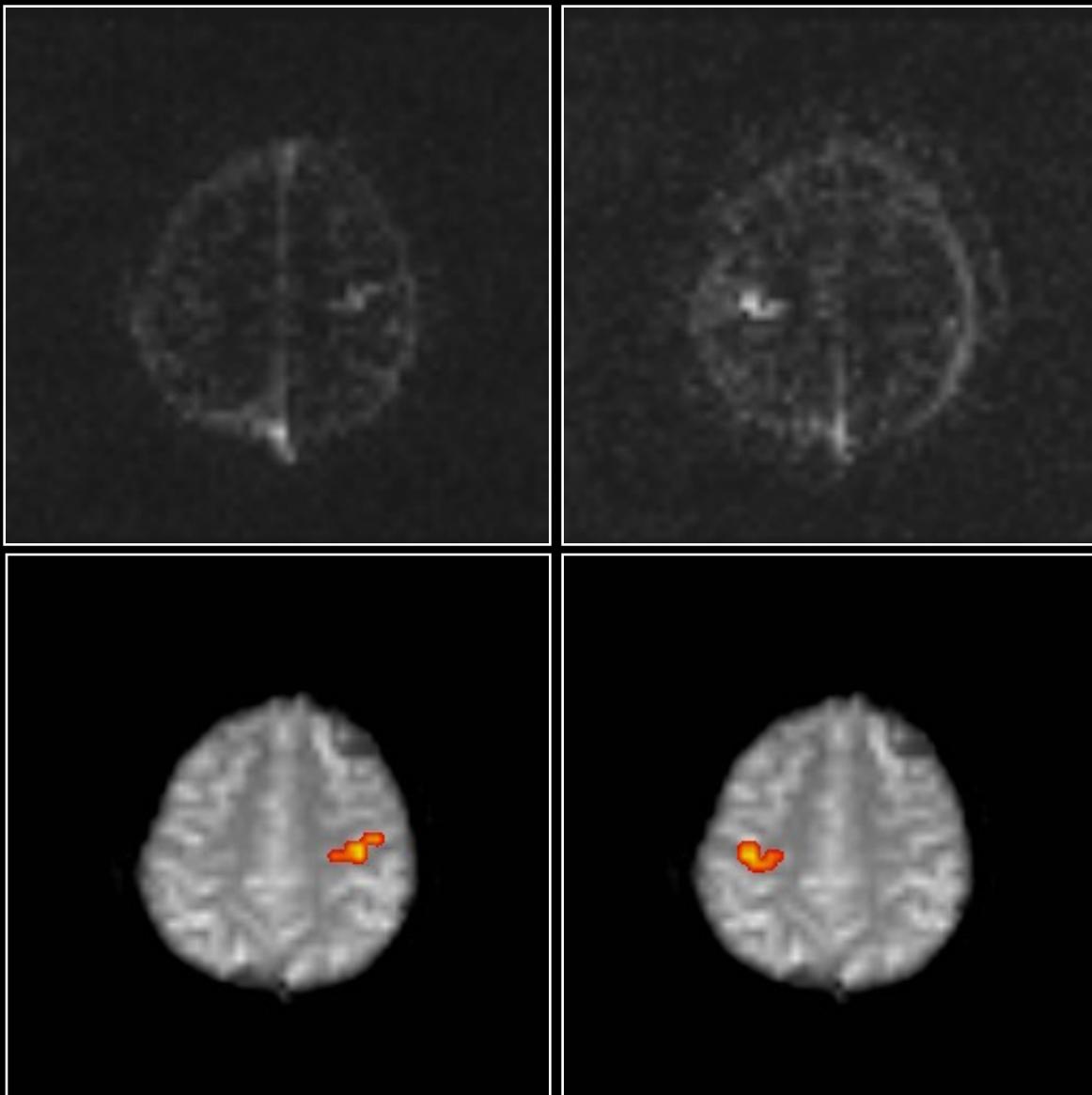
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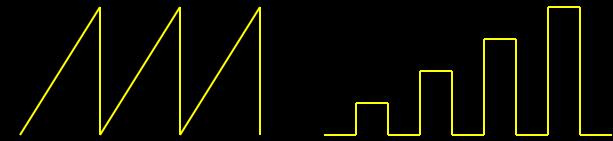
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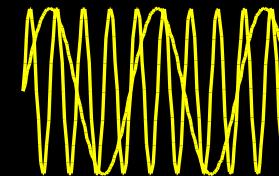
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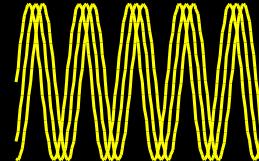
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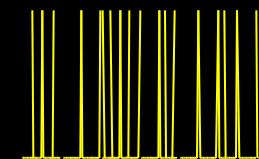
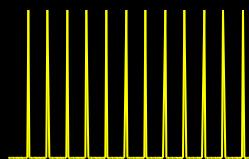
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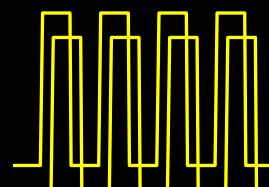
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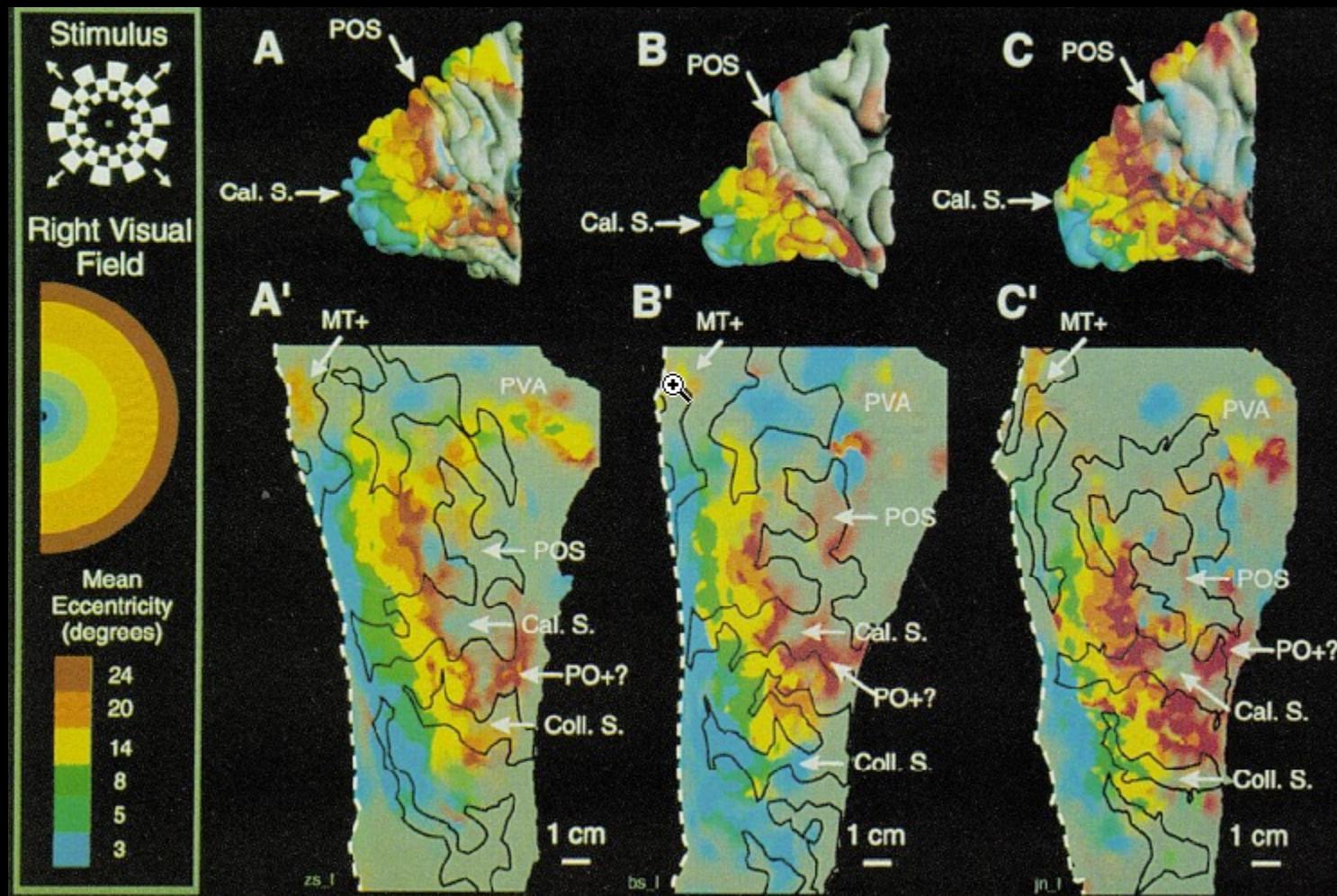


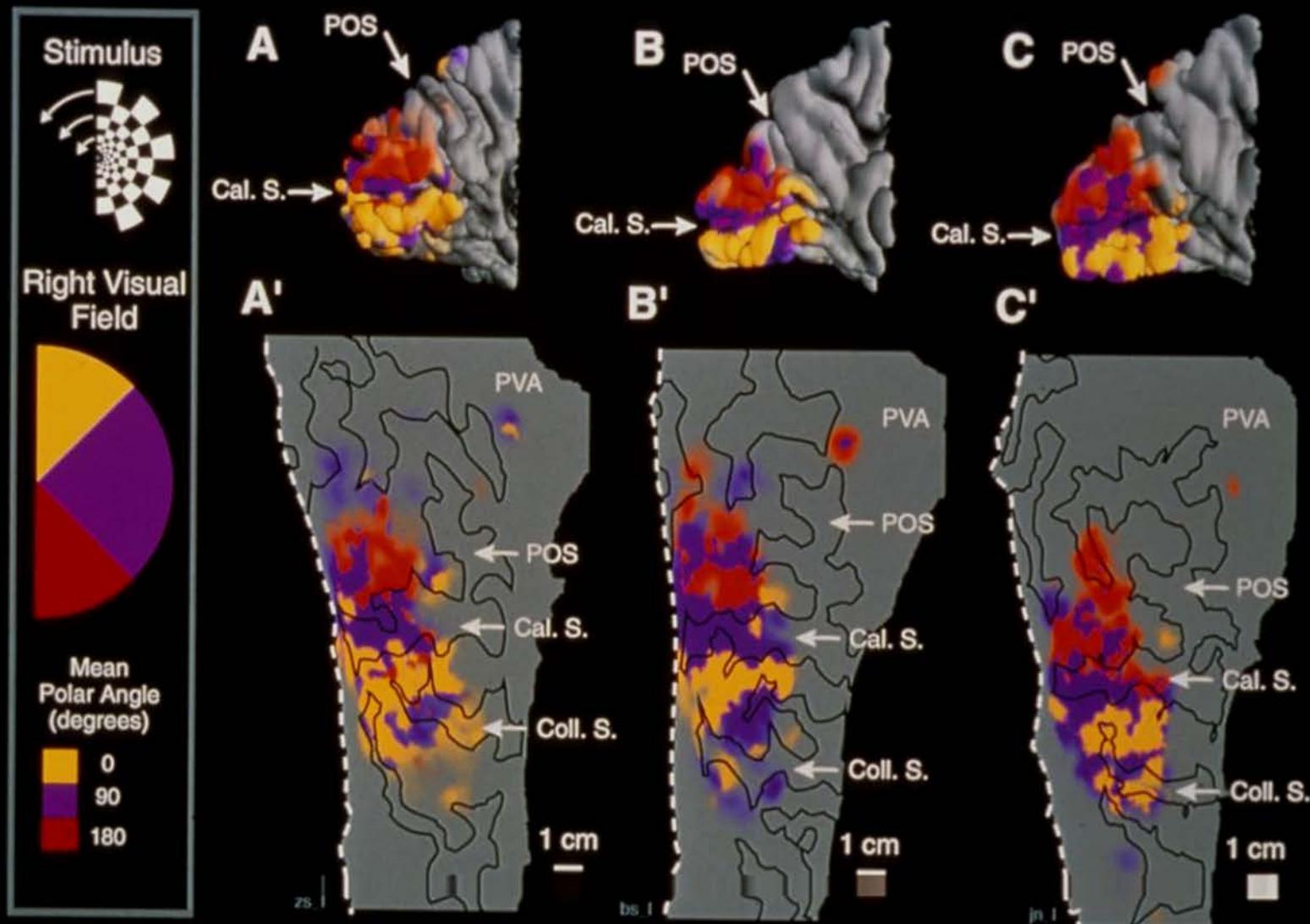
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## Mapping striate and extrastriate visual areas in human cerebral cortex

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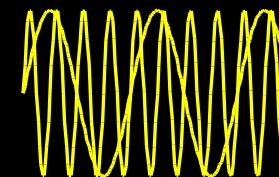


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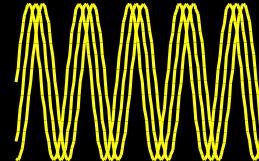
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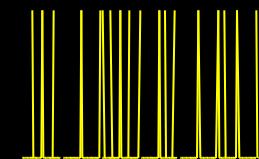
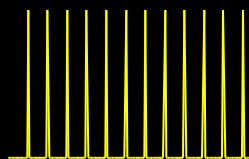
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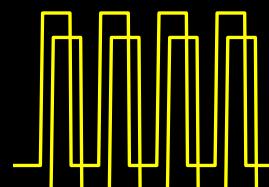
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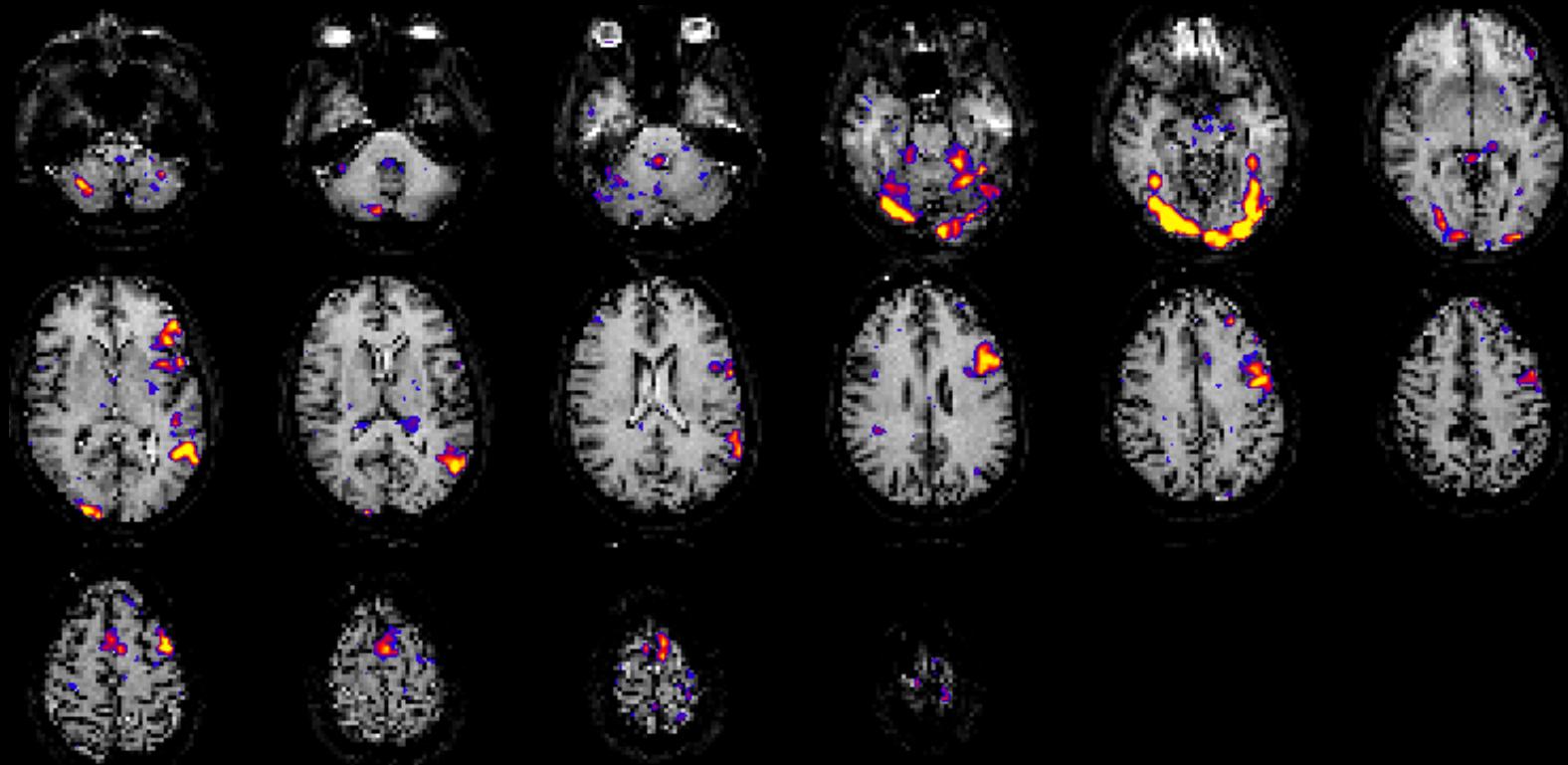
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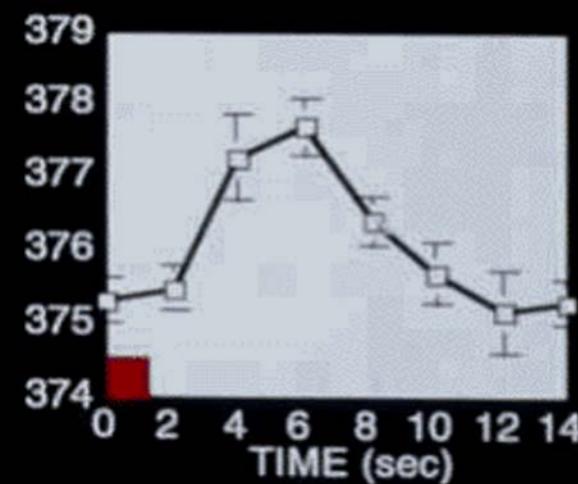
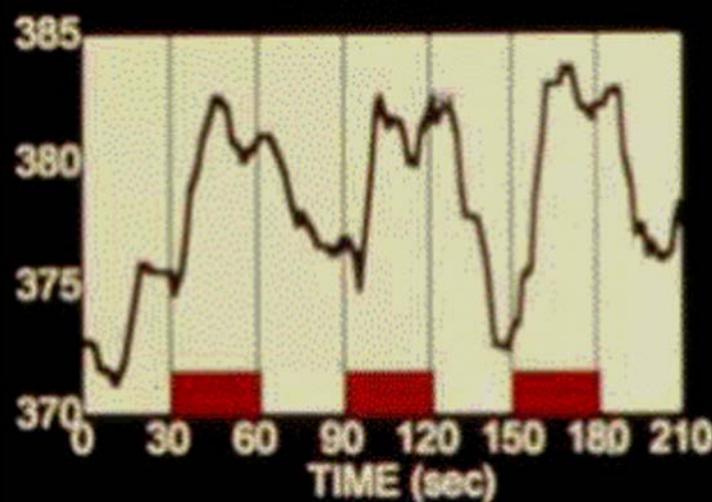
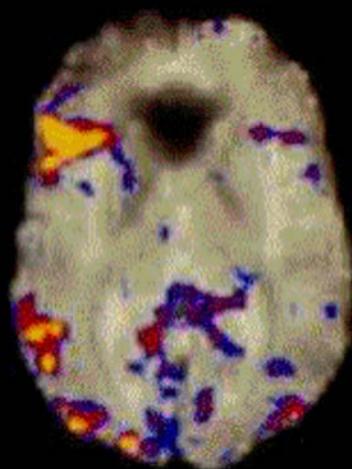
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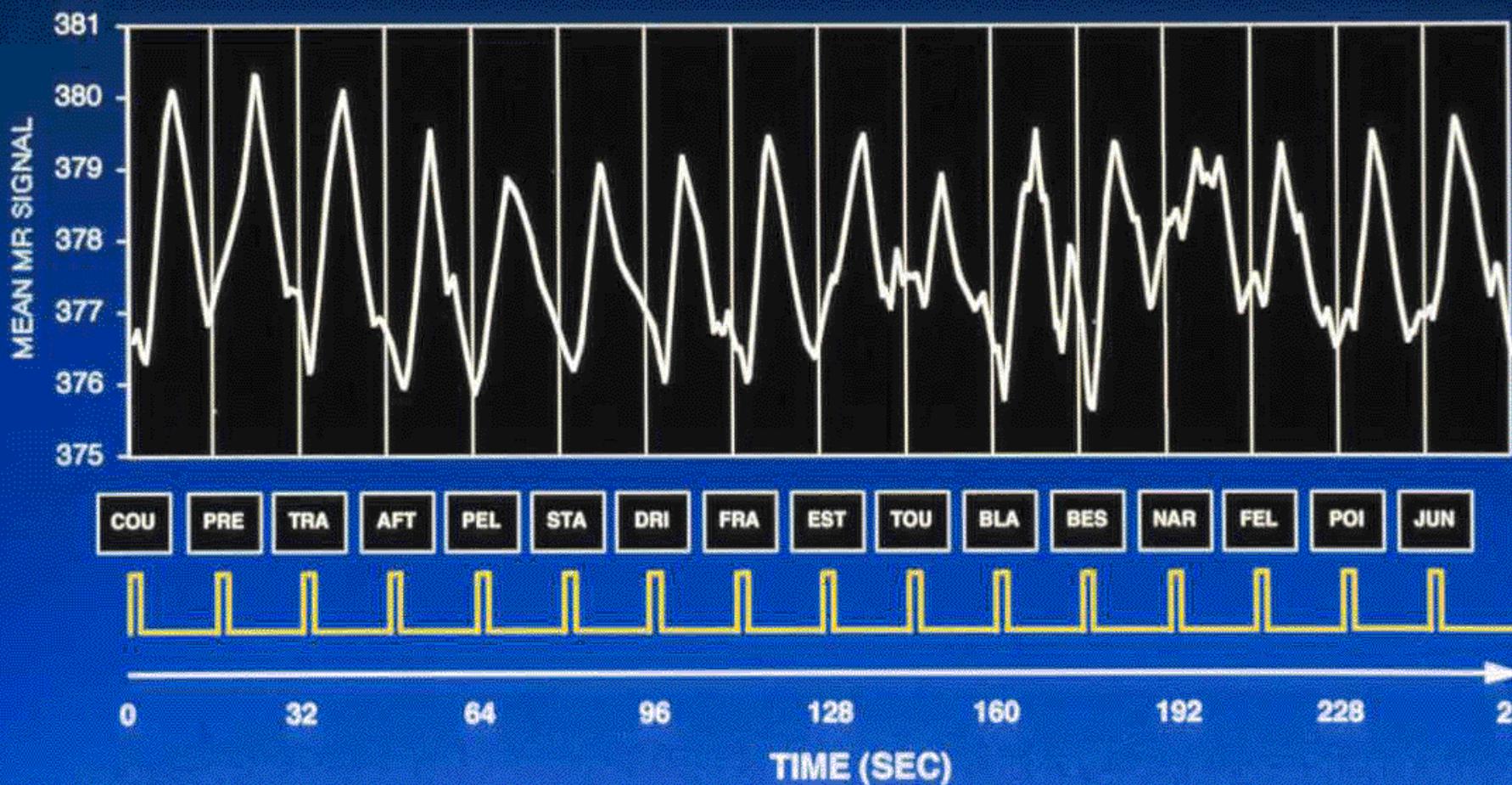
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**SINGLE TRIAL:**



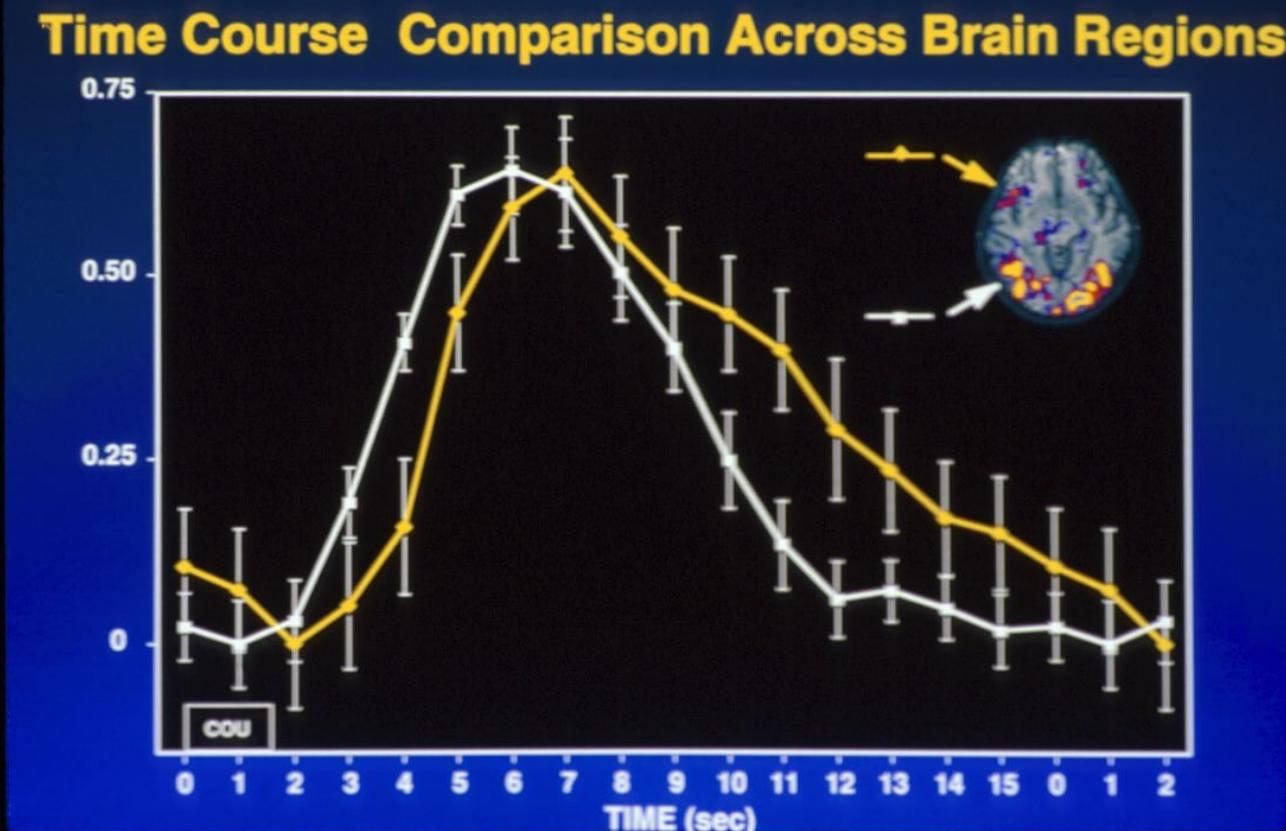
## “Single-Trial” Response Across an Averaged Data Set



## Detection of cortical activation during averaged single trials of a cognitive task using functional magnetic resonance imaging

(neuroimaging/single trial/language/prefrontal)

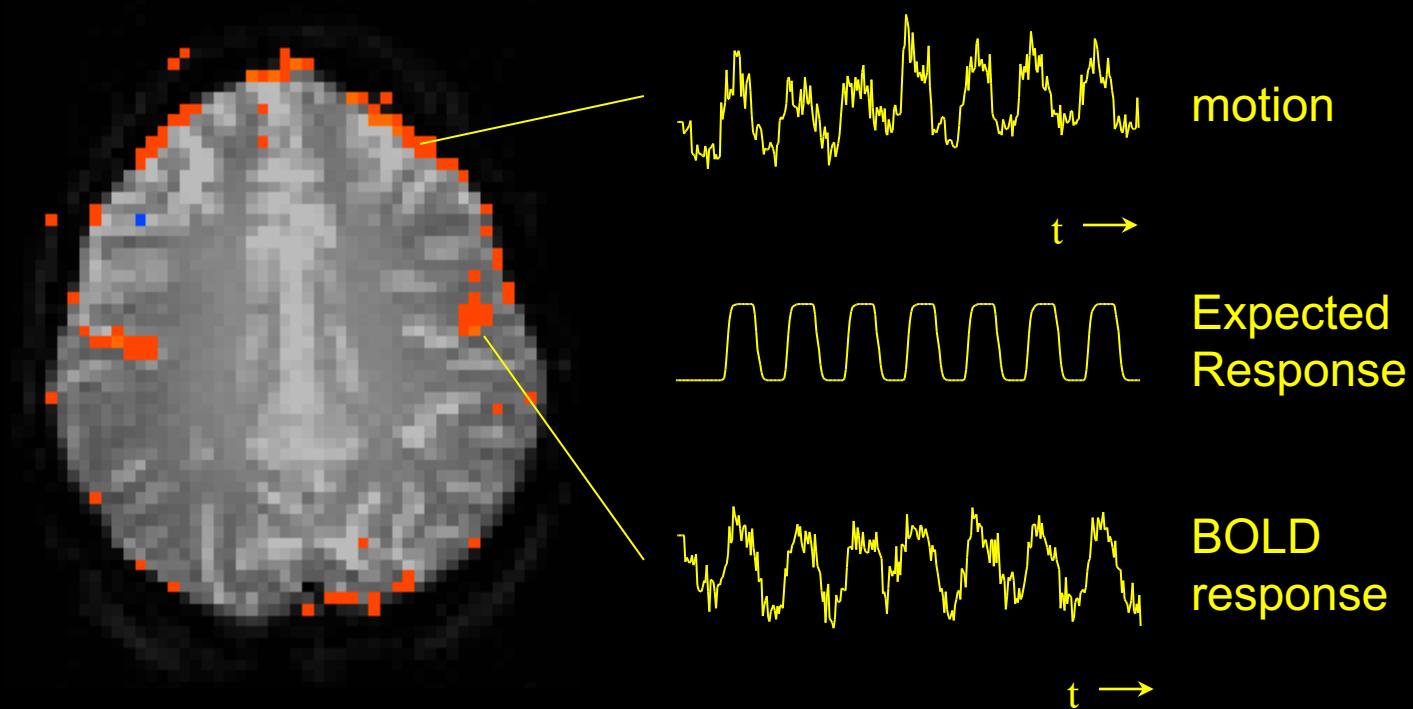
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# Event Related Advantages

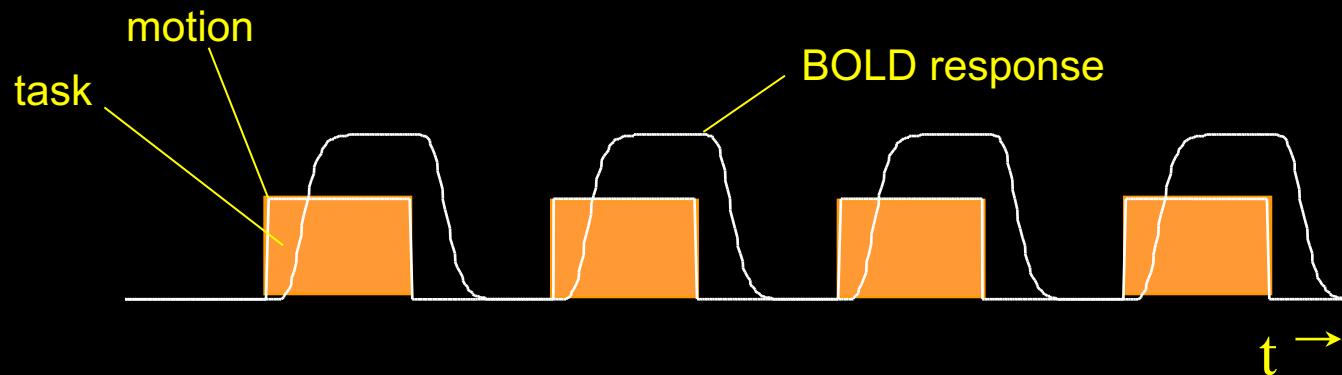
- Task Randomization
- Post acquisition, Performance-based, data binning
- Natural presentation
- Reduction of habituation effects
- Overt responses
- Reduction of scanner noise effects
- More precise estimation of hemodynamic responses

# Speaking - Blocked Trial

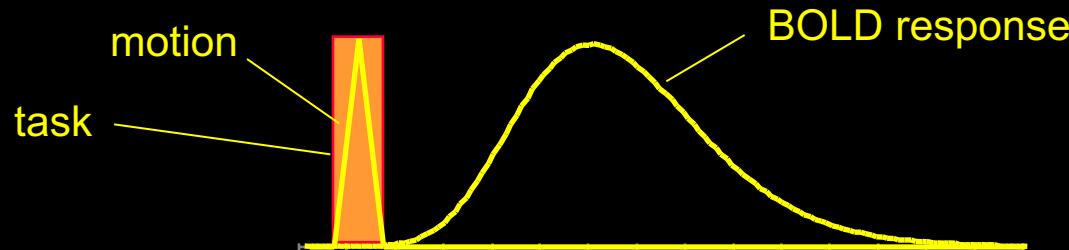


# fMRI during tasks that involve brief motion

## Blocked Design

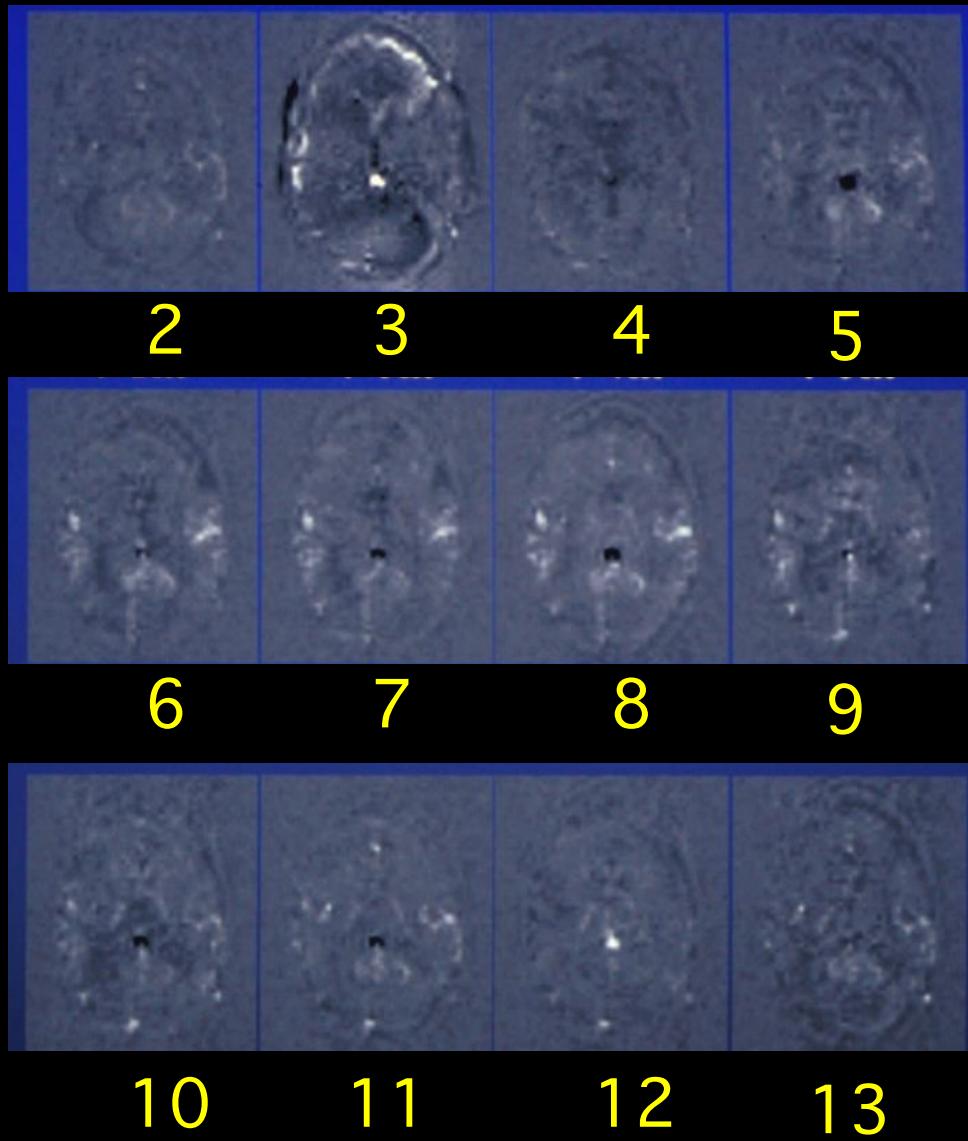


## Event-Related Design



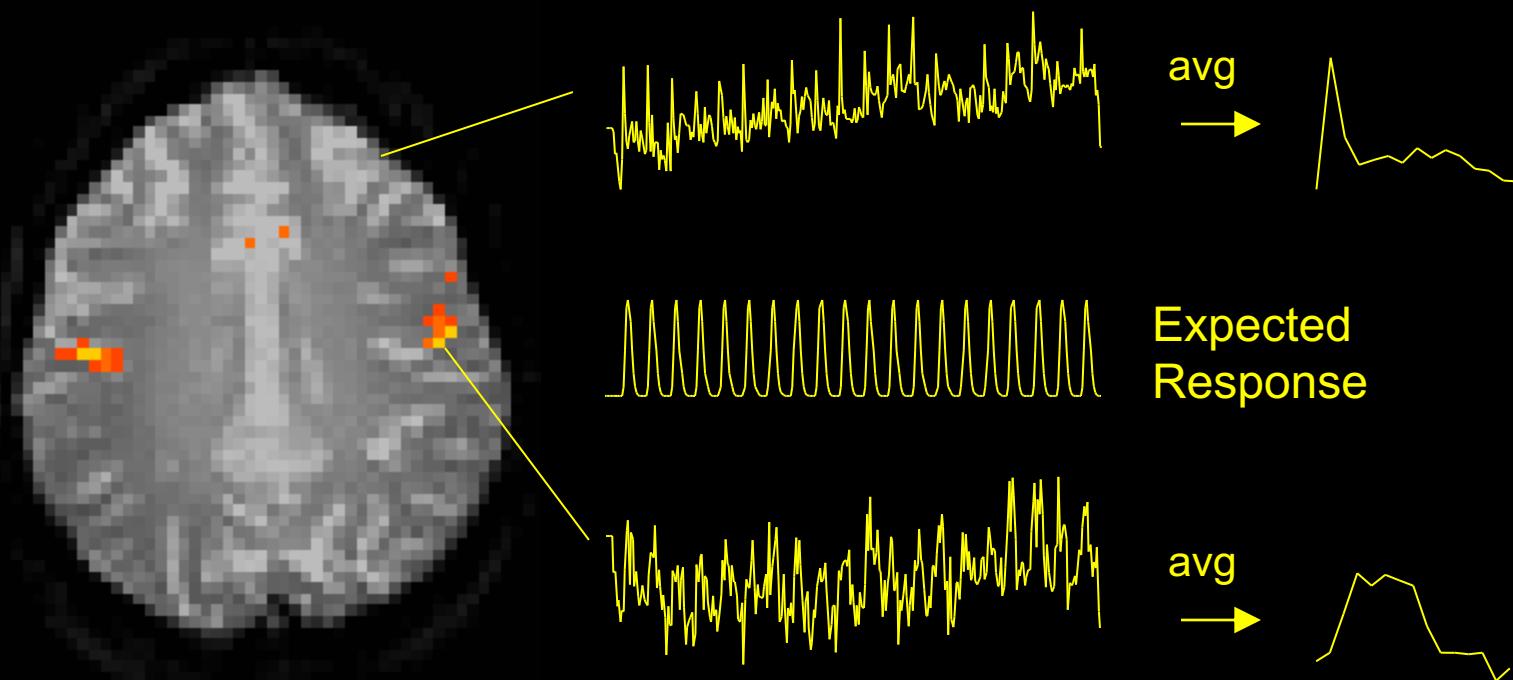
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# Overt Word Production



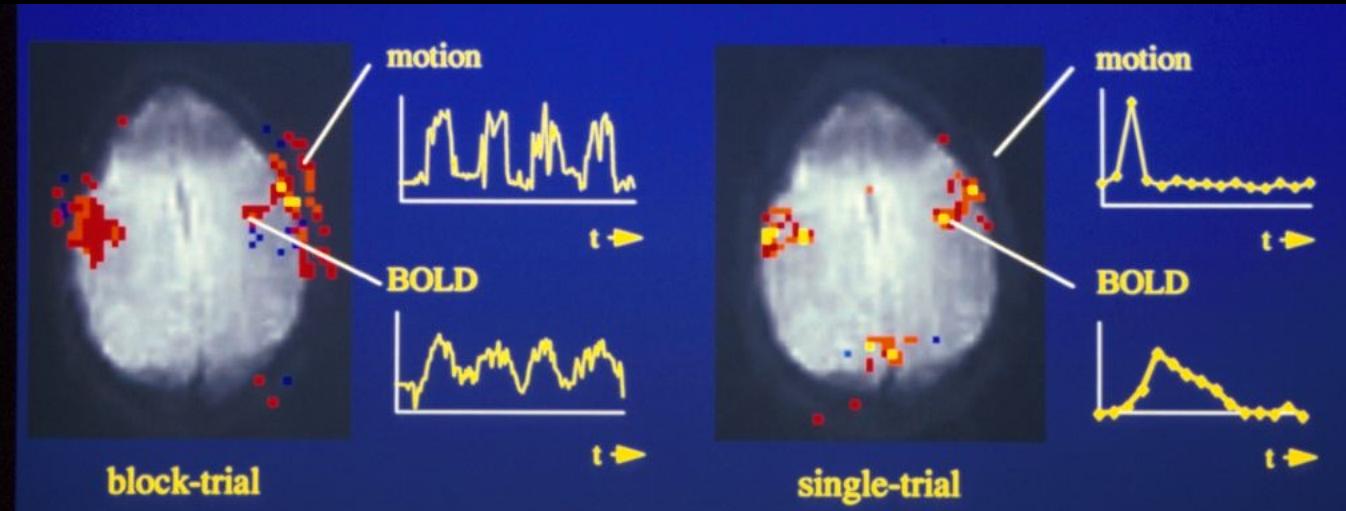
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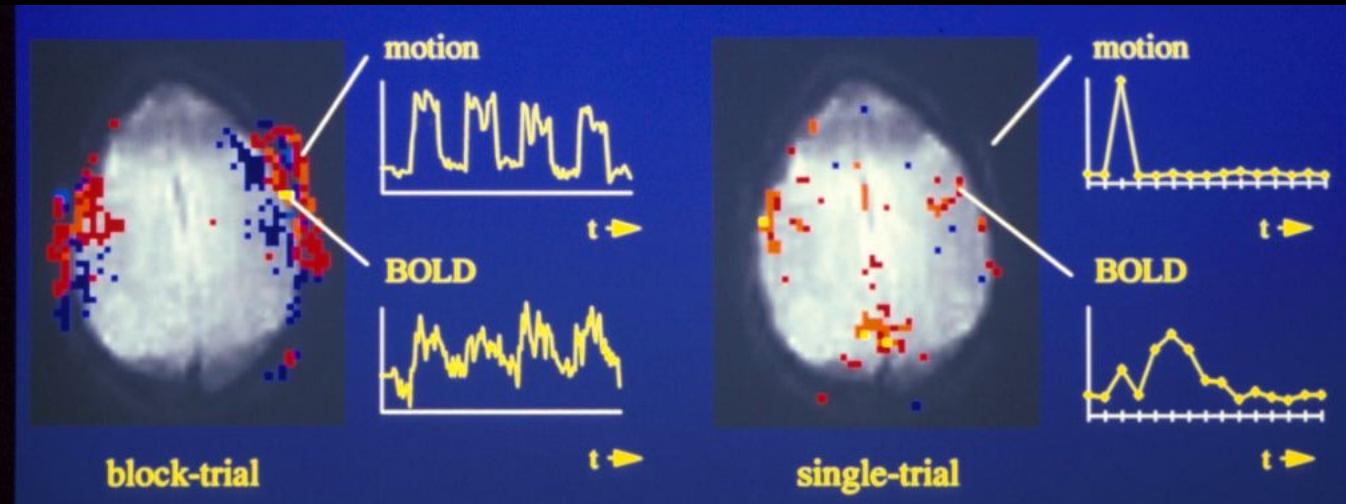


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# Tongue Movement



# Jaw Clenching



# Motion

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

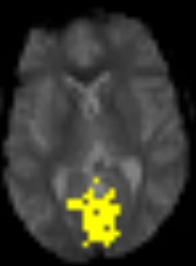
Bypass?

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

Suppress?

- Flatten image contrast
- Physical restraint
- Averaging, smoothing

# Visual Cortex



ISI, SD

ISI, SD

20, 20

8, 2

12, 2

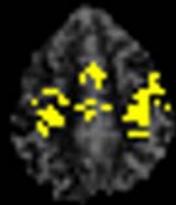
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# Motor Cortex



ISI, SD

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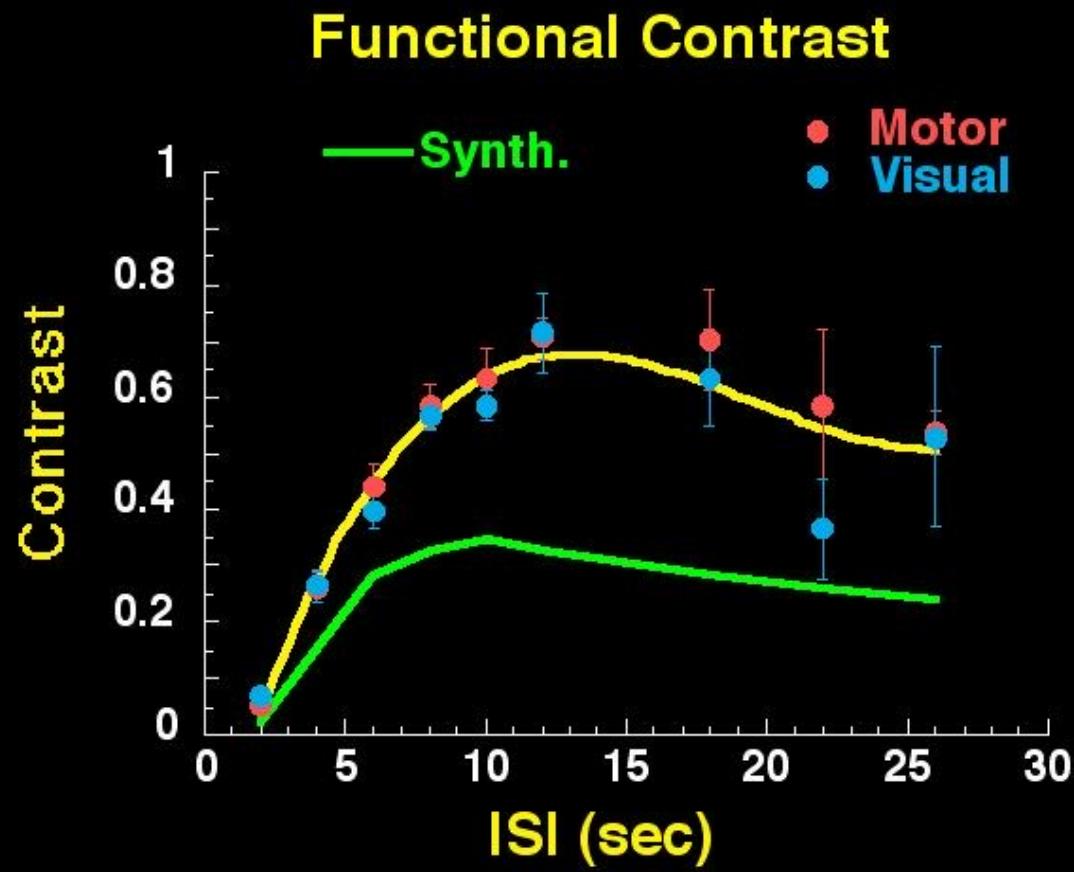
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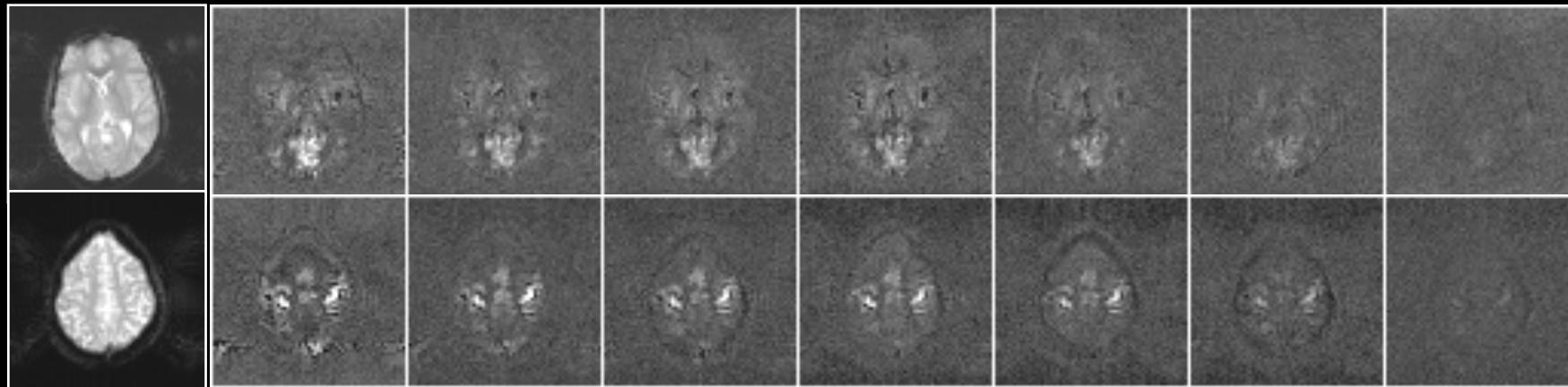
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# Contrast to Noise Images

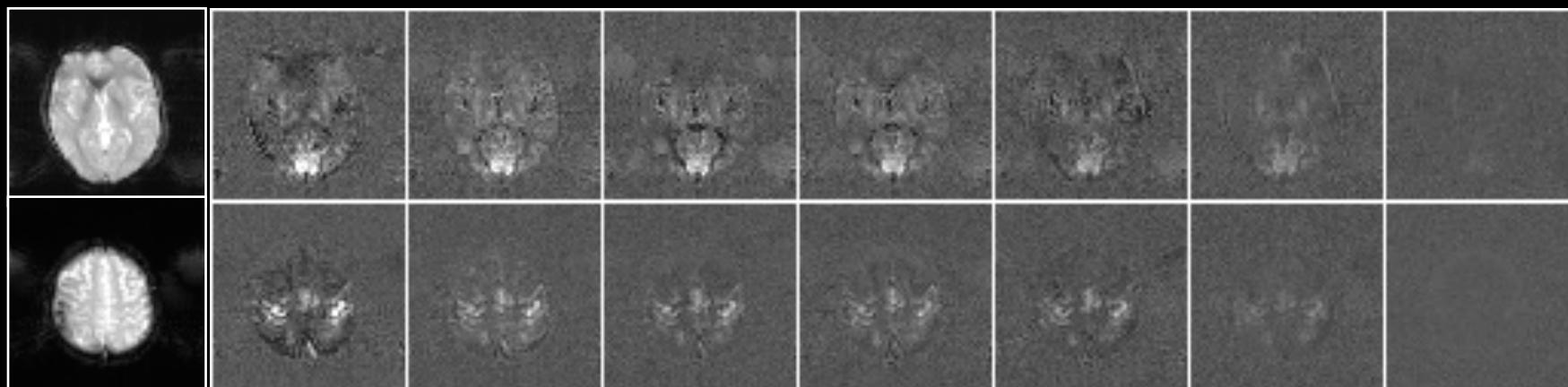
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S1



S2

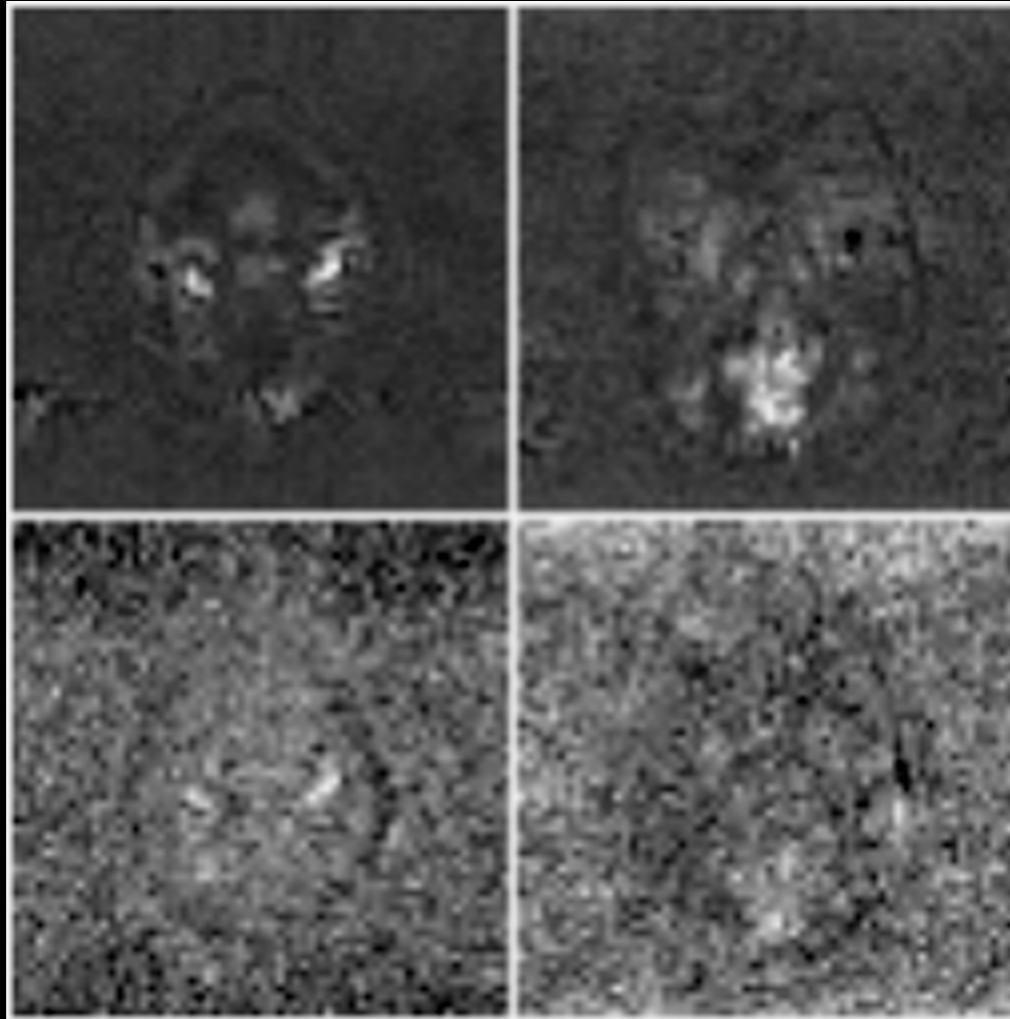


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# Motor      Visual

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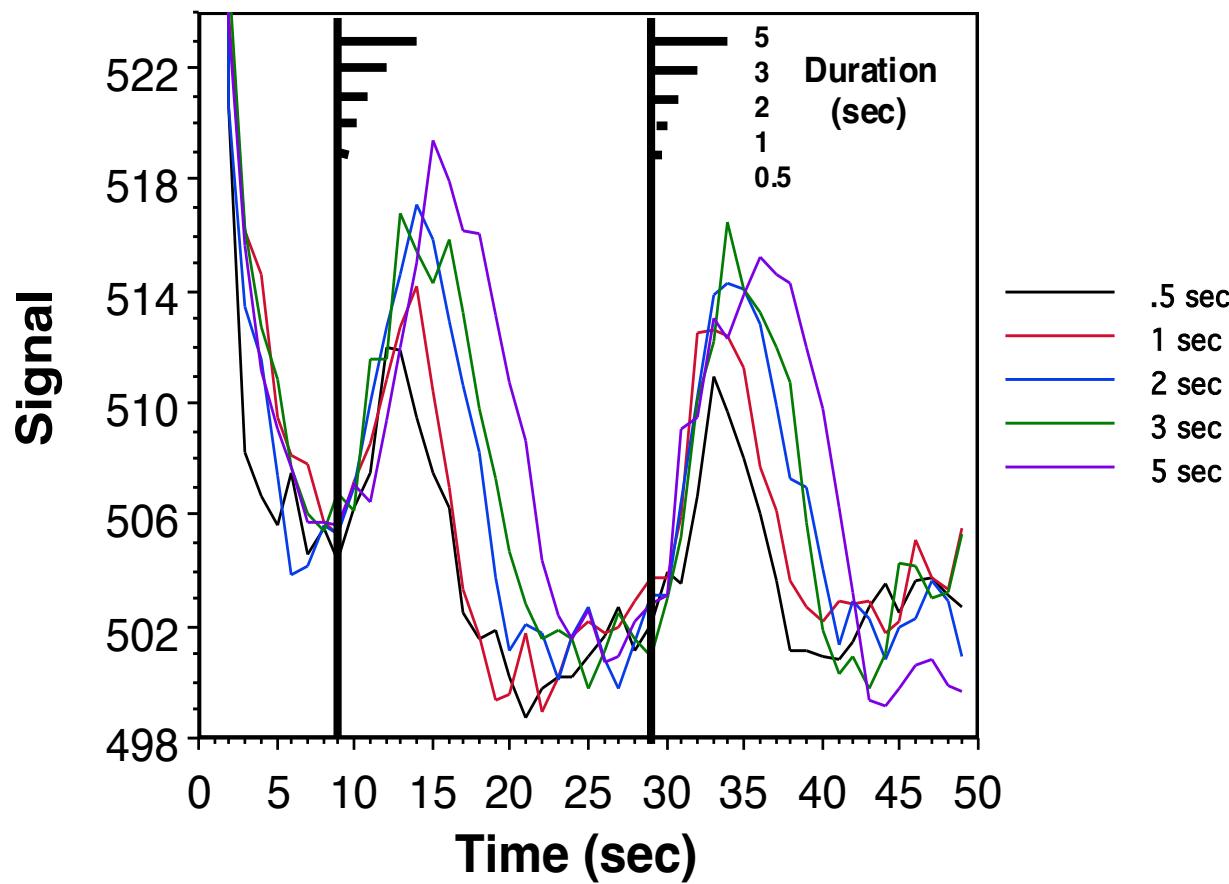
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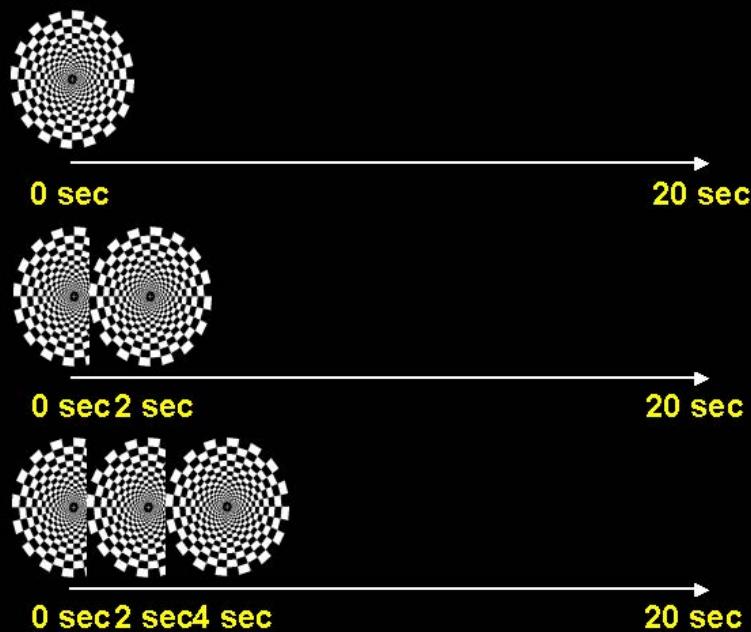
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Relative differences in activation intensities may reflect spatial differences in hemodynamic responsivity. (draining veins vs. capillaries).

## Motor Cortex



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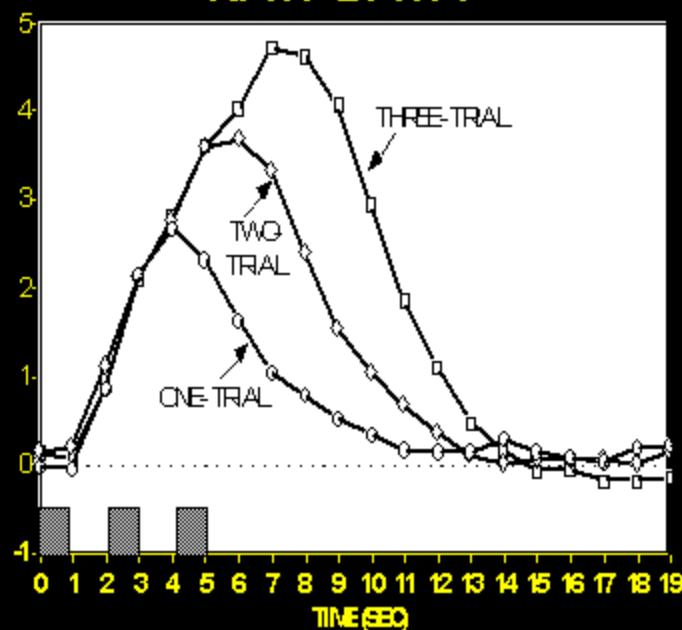


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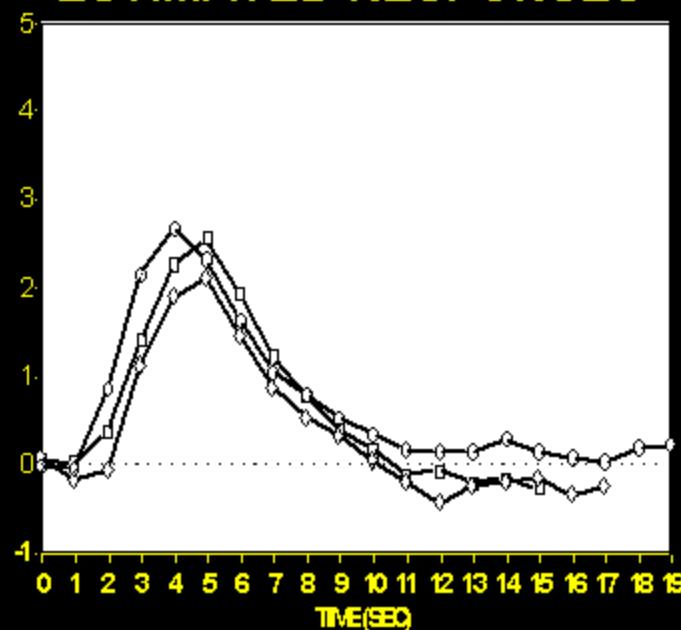
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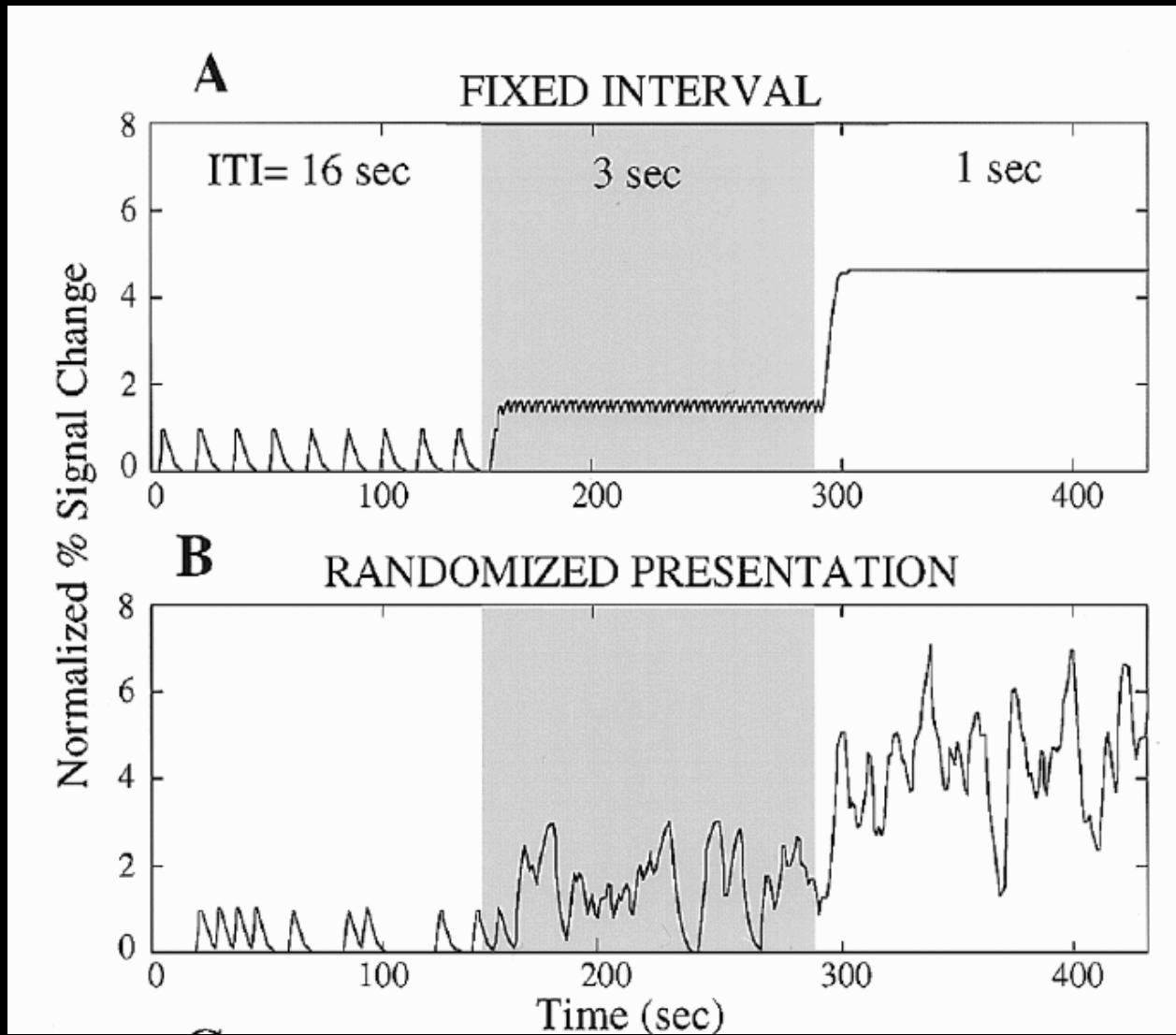
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### RAW DATA



### ESTIMATED RESPONSES

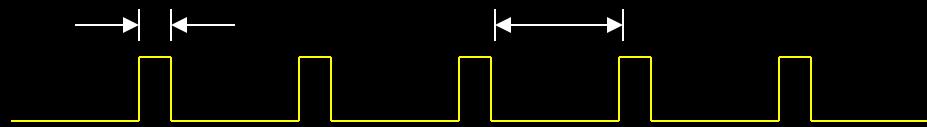




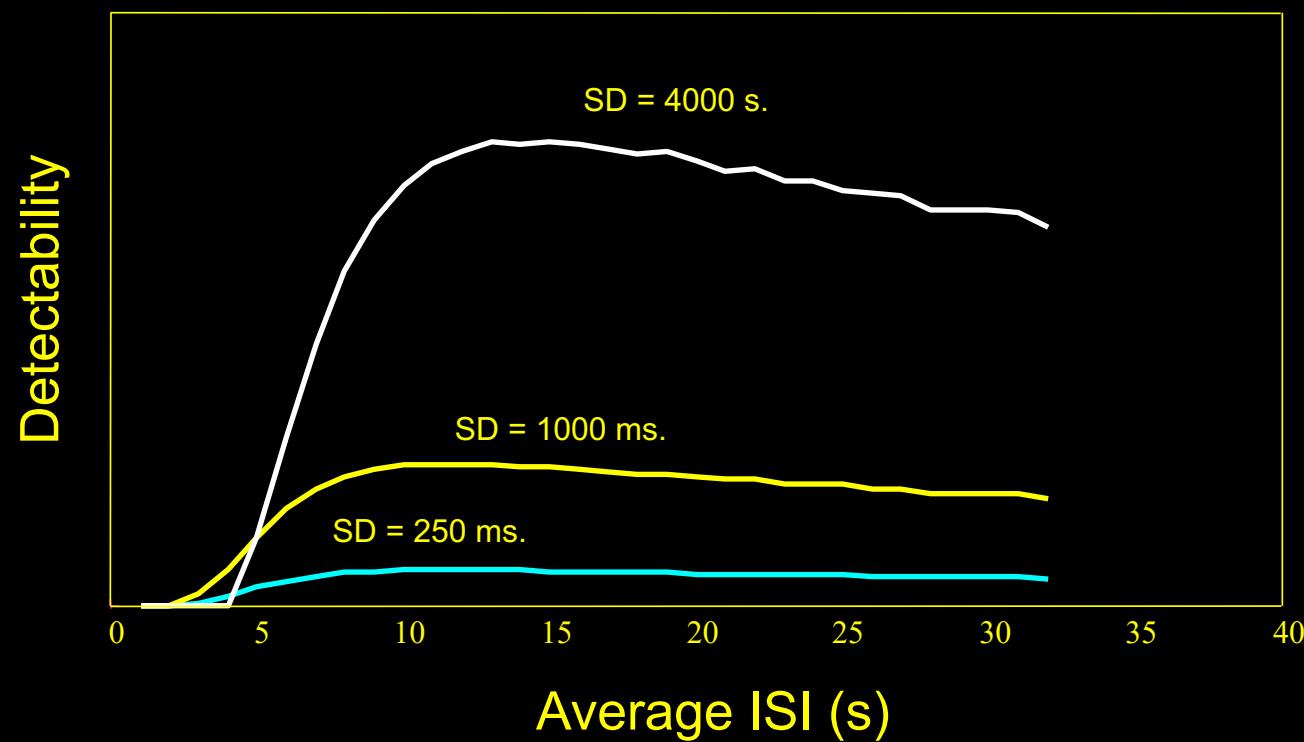
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# Detectability – constant ISI

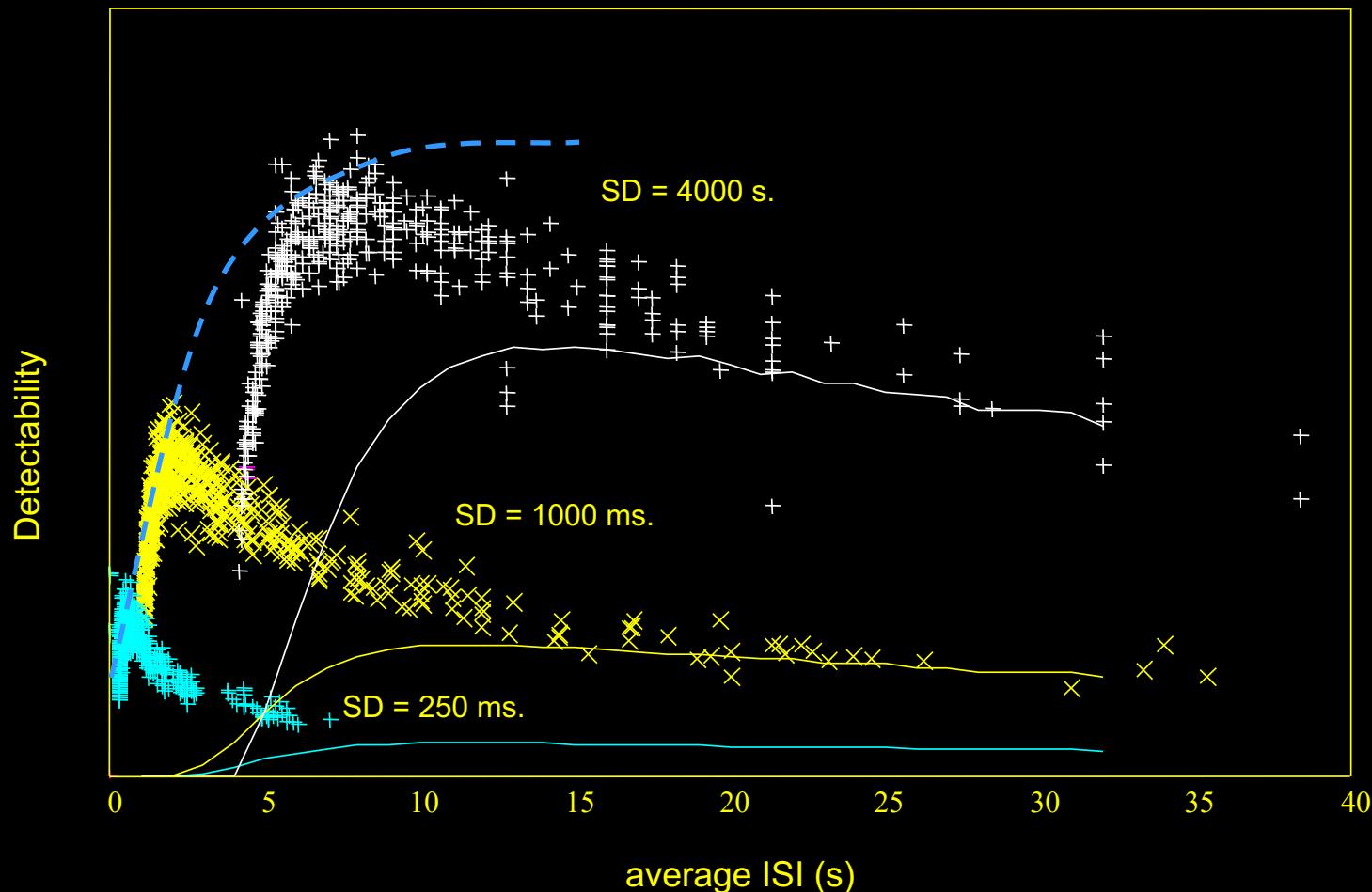
SD – stimulus duration



ISI – inter-stimulus interval

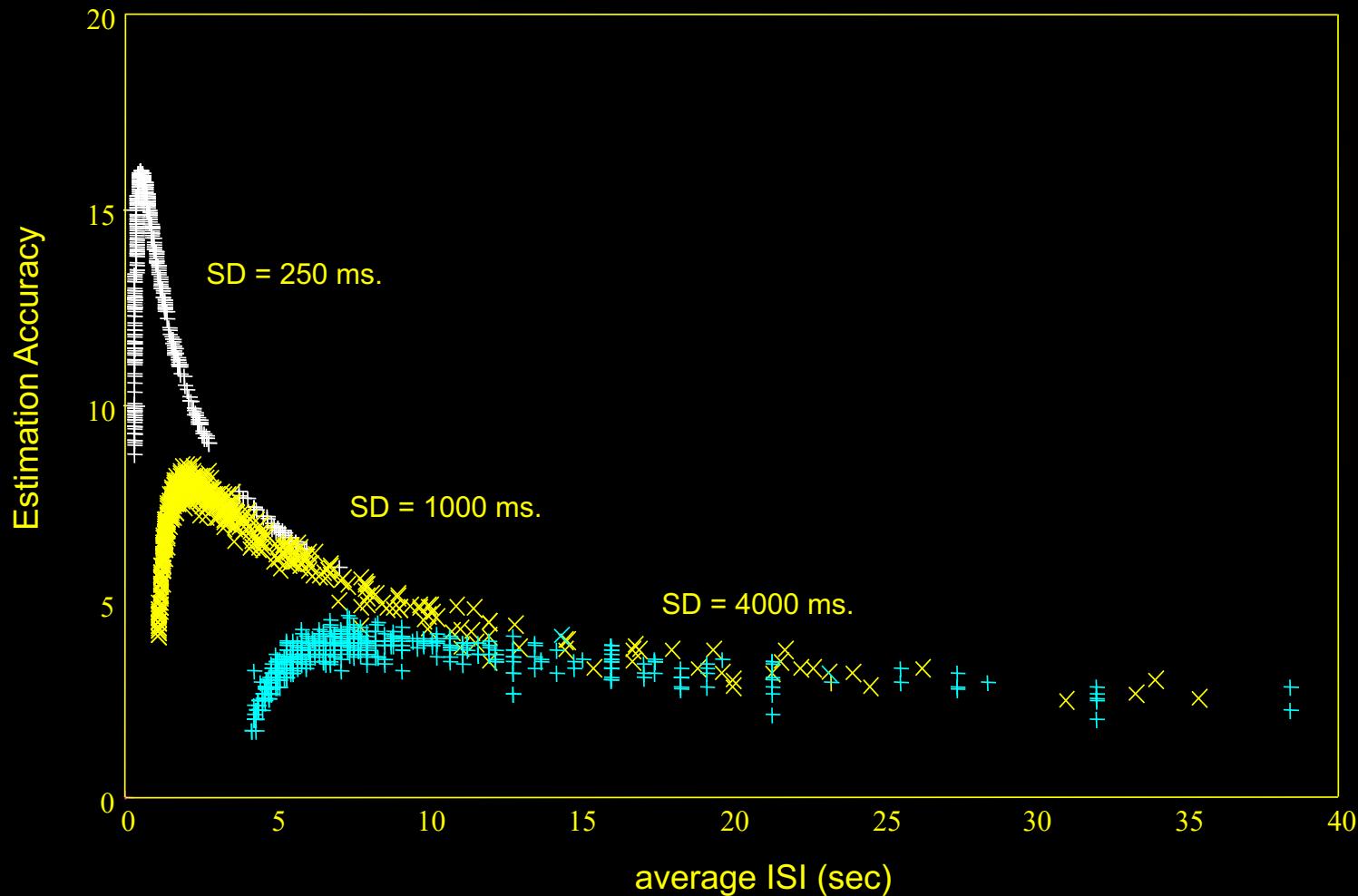


# Detectability vs. Average ISI



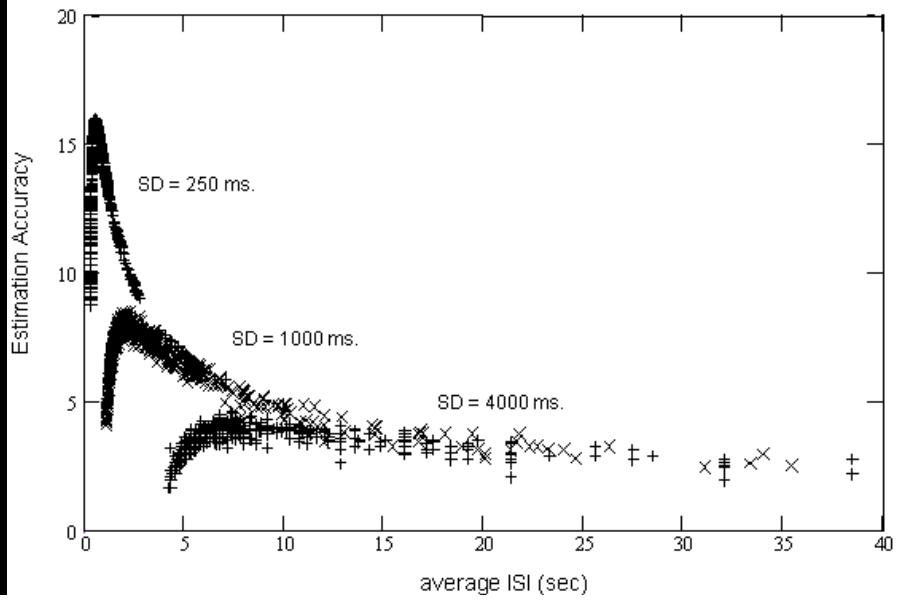
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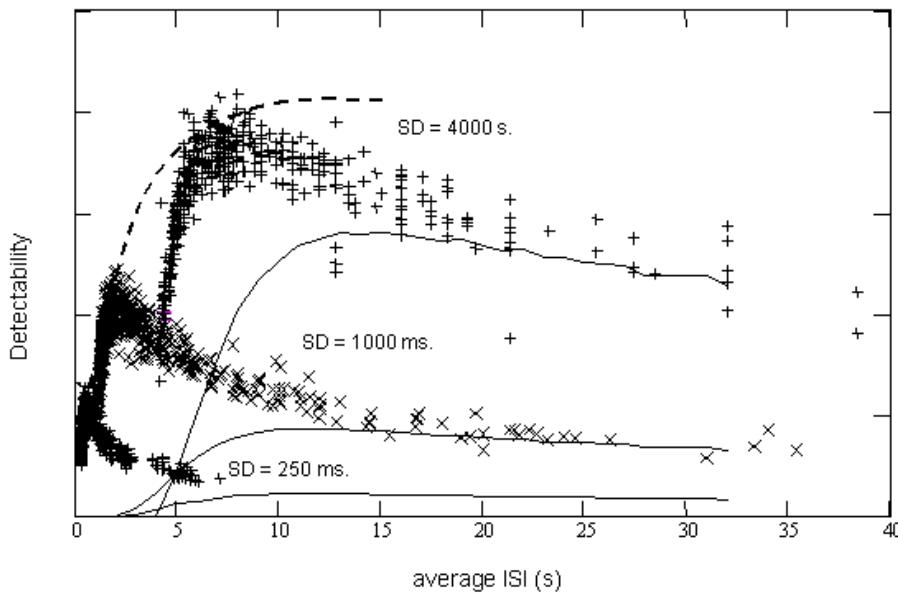


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# Varying “ON” and “OFF” periods

- *Rapid event-related design with varying ISI*



8% ON



25% ON

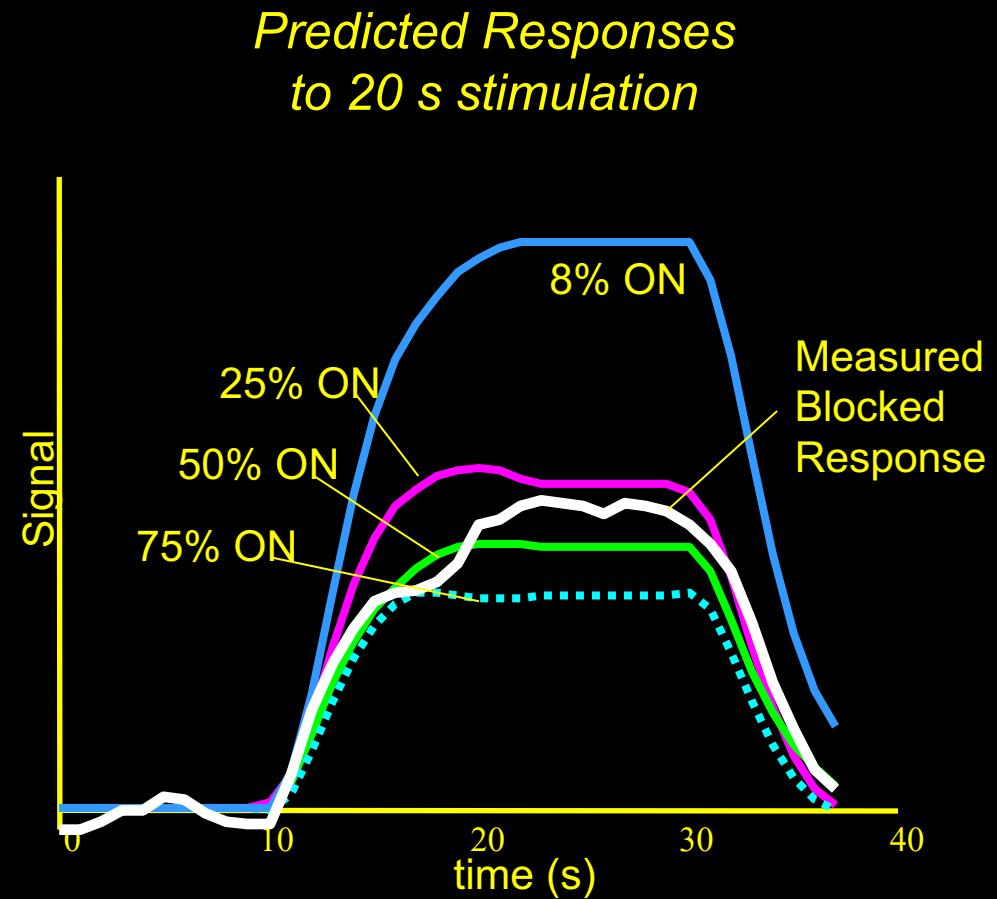
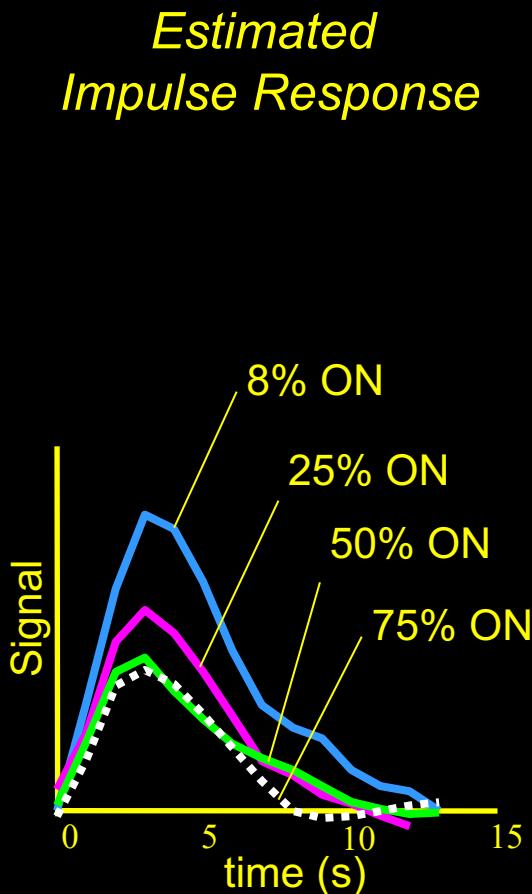


50% ON



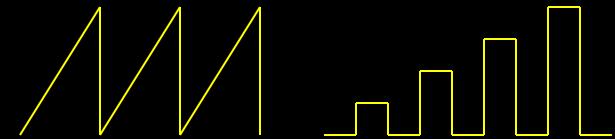
75% ON

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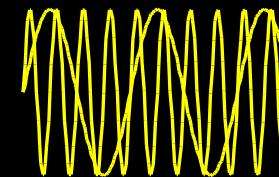


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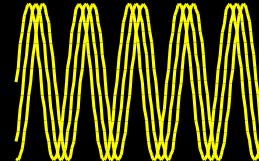
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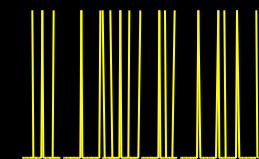
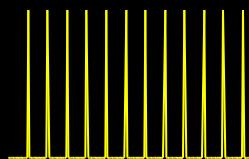
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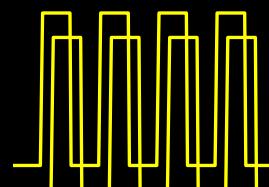
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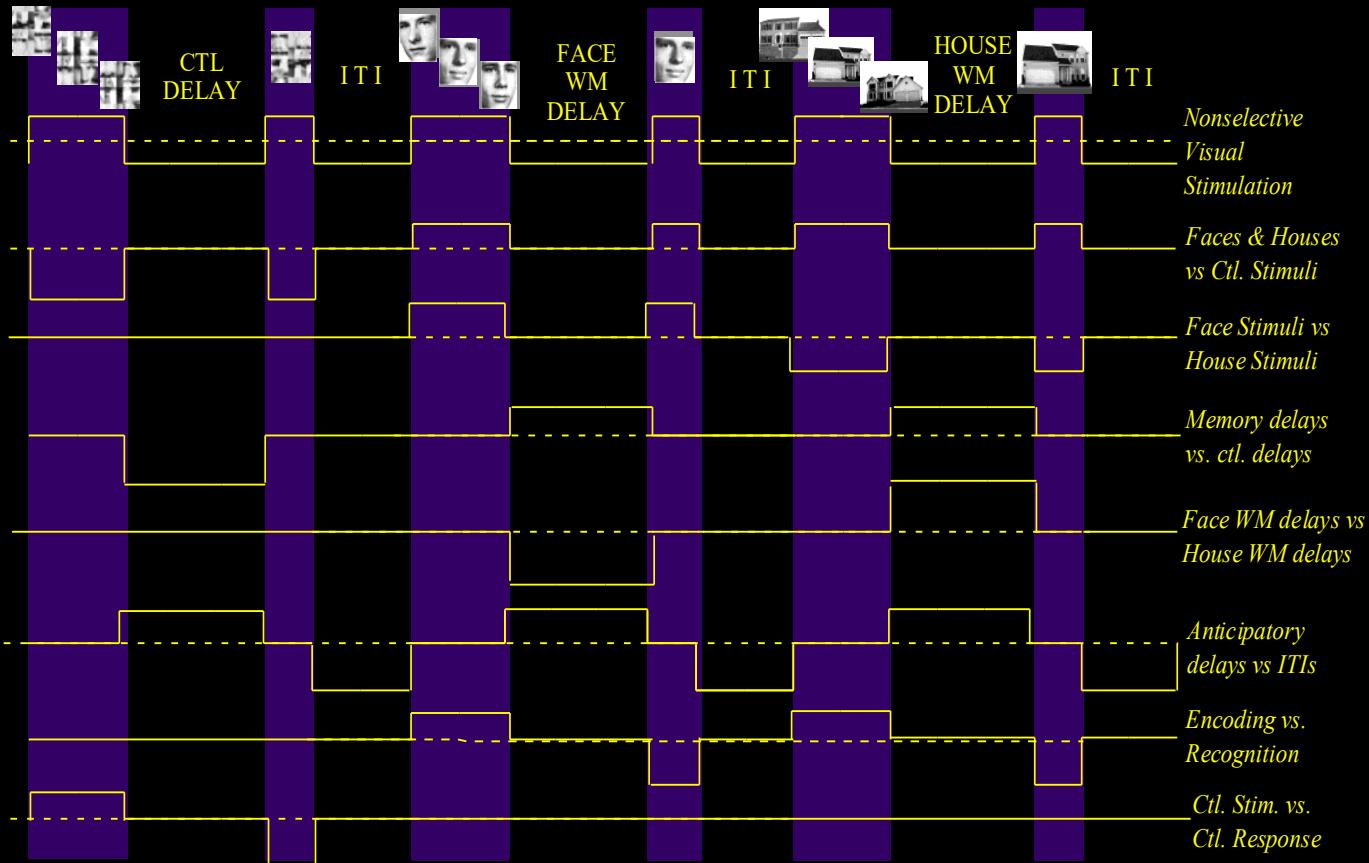
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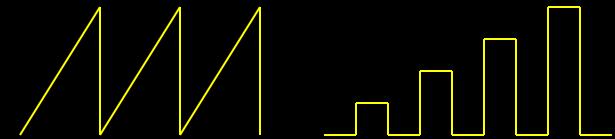
# Example of a Set of Orthogonal Contrasts for Multiple Regression



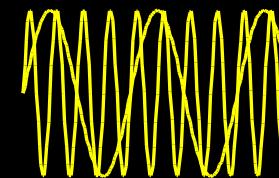
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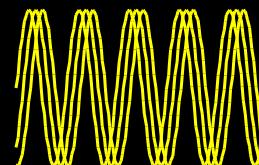
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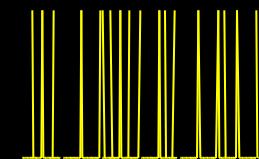
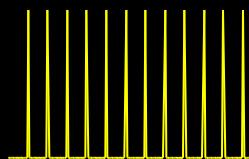
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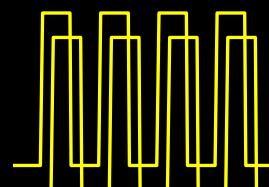
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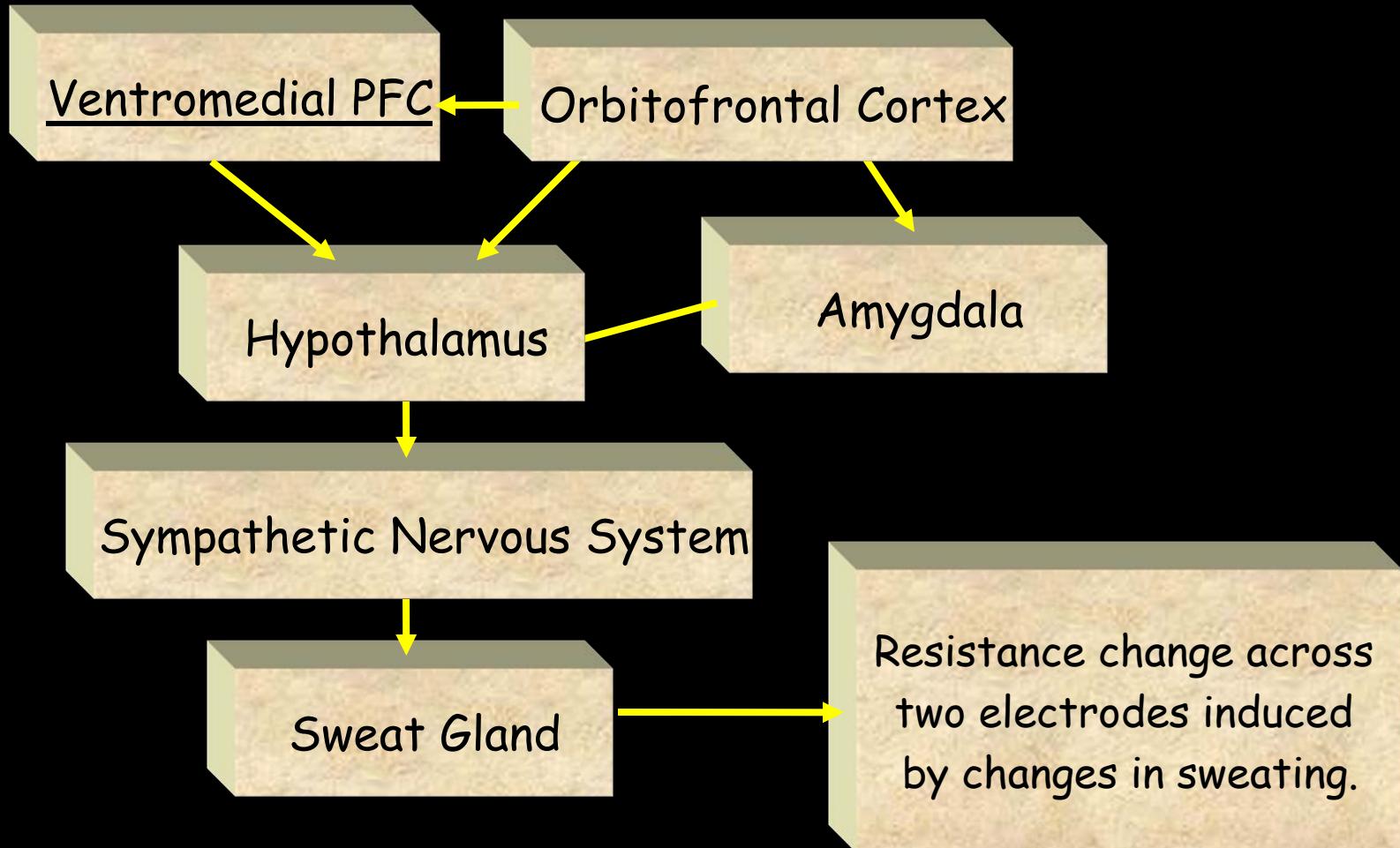
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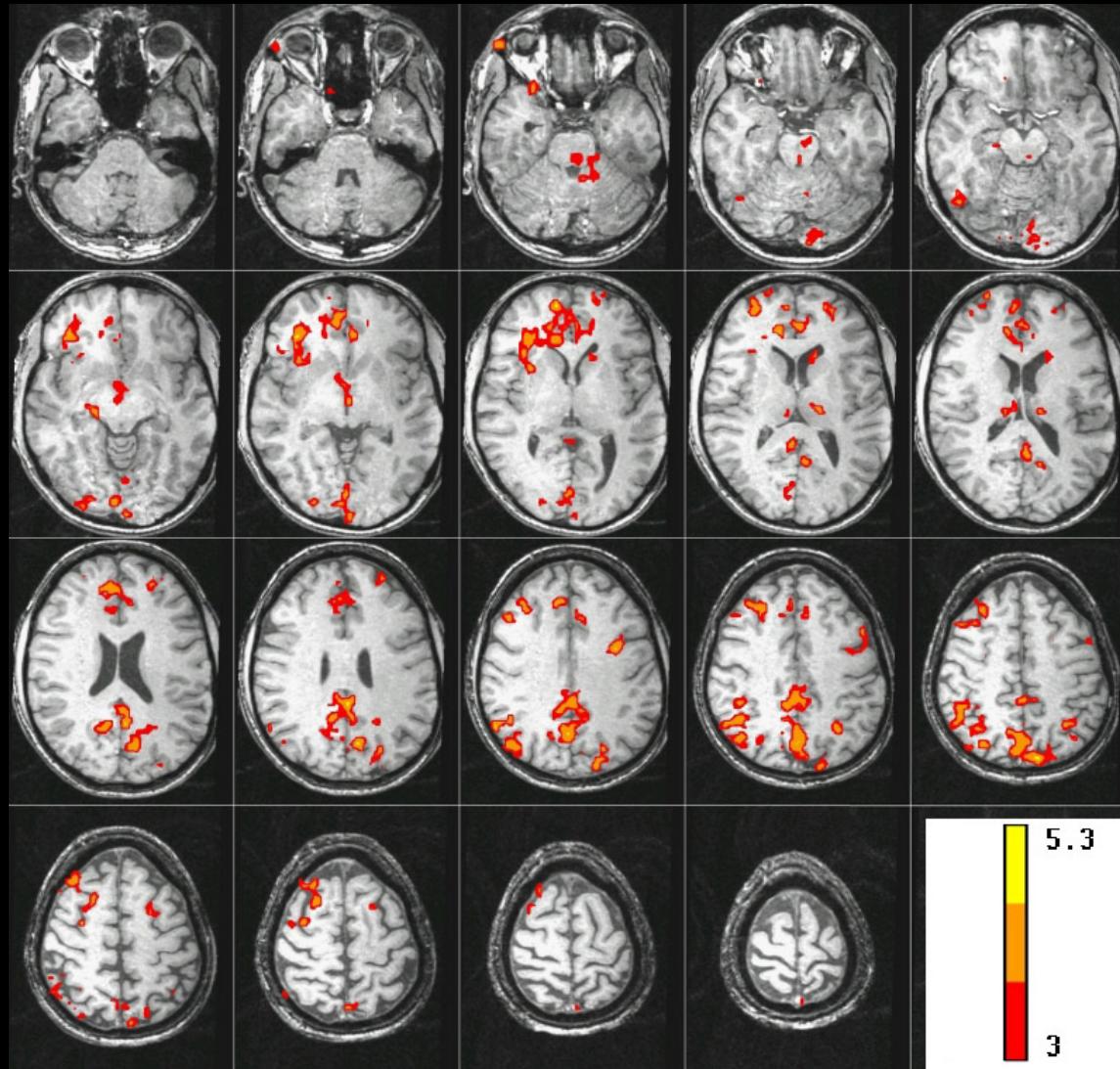
Use a continuous measure as a reference function:

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

# The Skin Conductance Response (SCR)

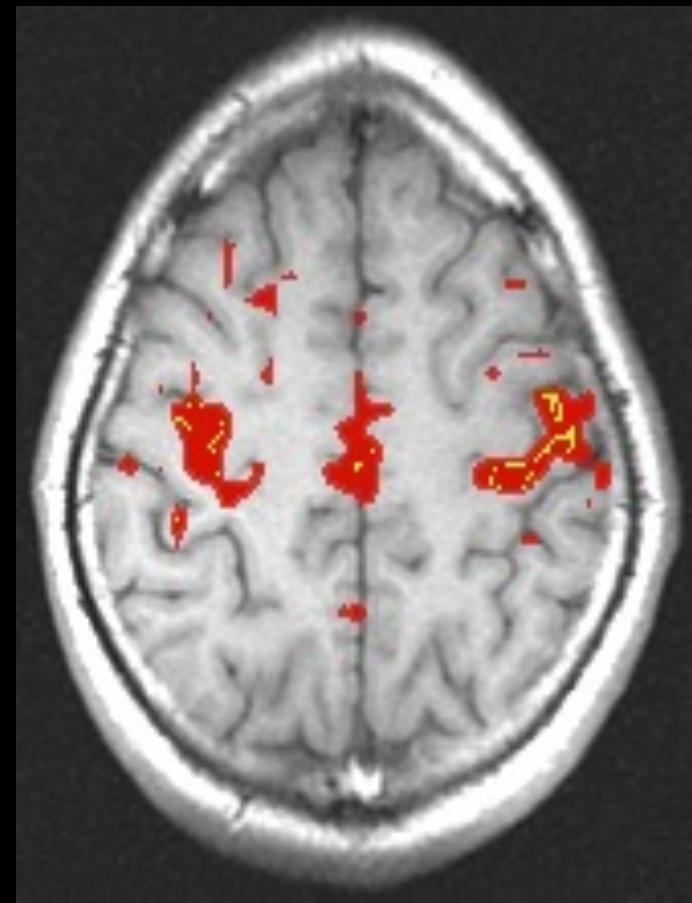
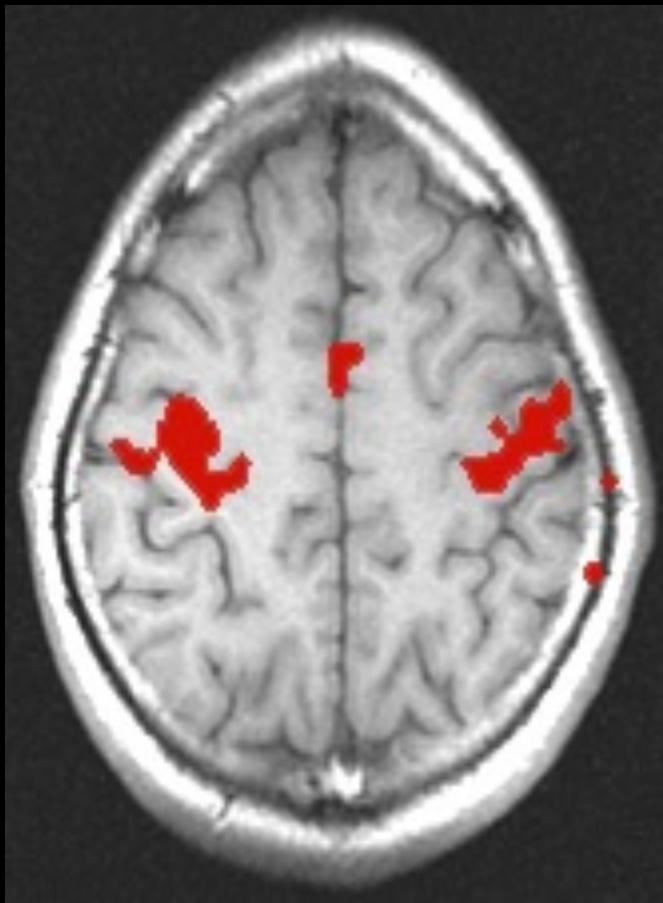


# Brain activity correlated with SCR during “Rest”



Patterson et al. (submitted)

# Resting Hemodynamic Autocorrelations



B. Biswal *et al.*, MRM, 34:537 (1995)

**Calibration methods for  
Temporal Resolution and  
Interpretation...**

# $\Delta$ Neuronal Activity

Number of Neurons  
Local Field Potential  
Spiking Coherence  
Spiking Rate

# $\Delta$ Metabolism

Aerobic Metabolism

Anaerobic Metabolism

# $\Delta$ Hemodynamics

Blood Volume

Deoxygenated Blood

Flow Velocity

Oxygenated Blood

Perfusion

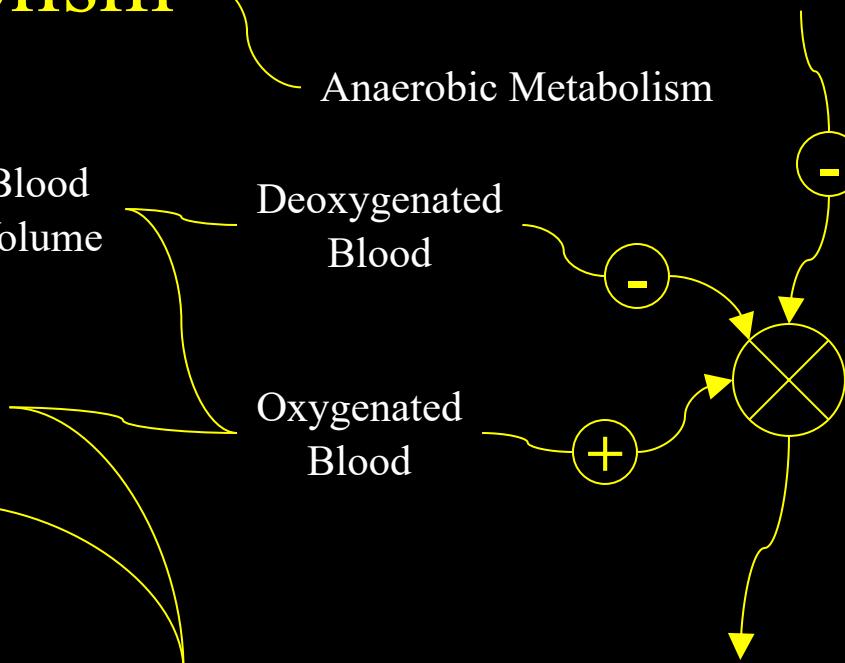
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$\Delta$  Perfusion Contrast

$\Delta$  Inflow Contrast

MRI Pulse Sequence

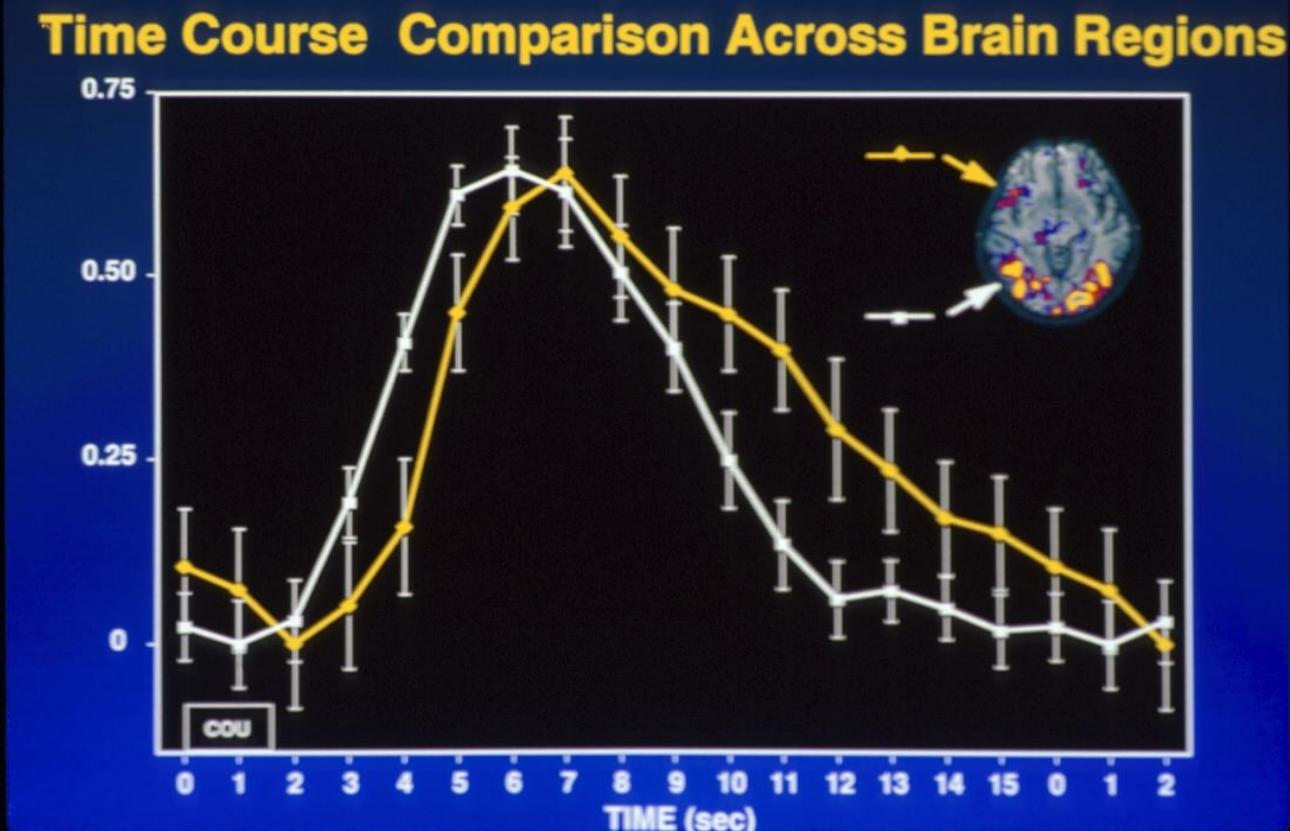
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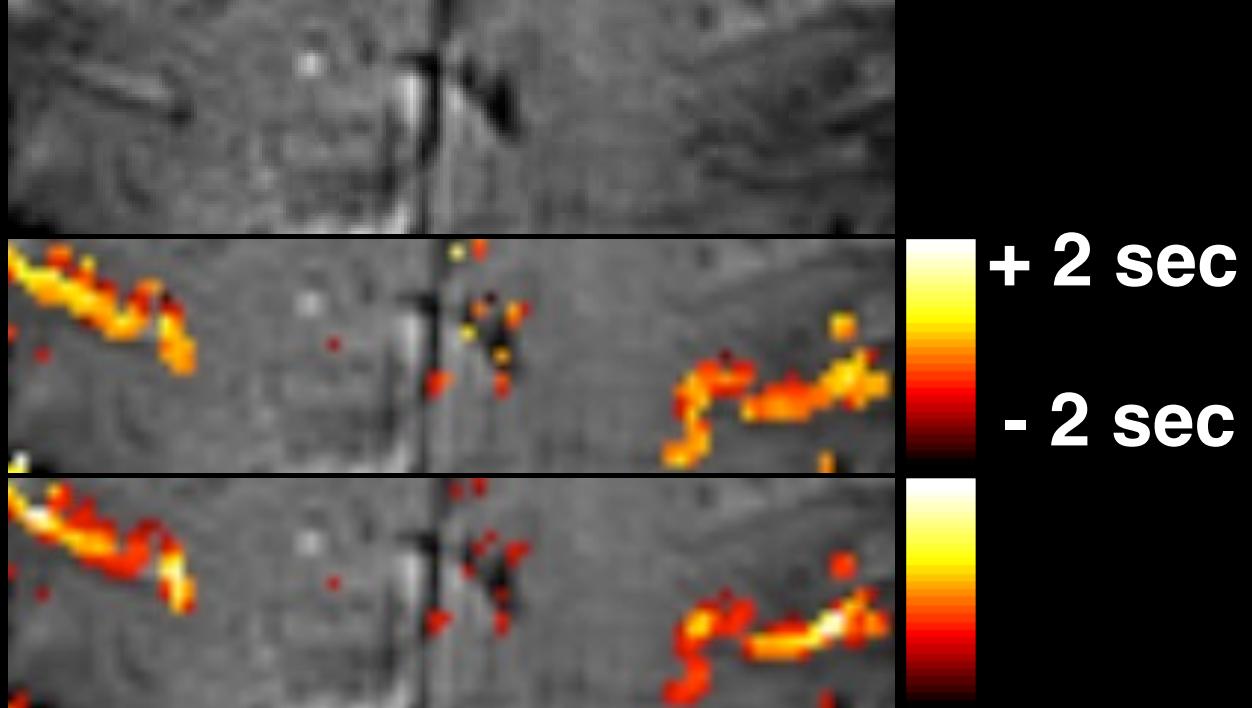
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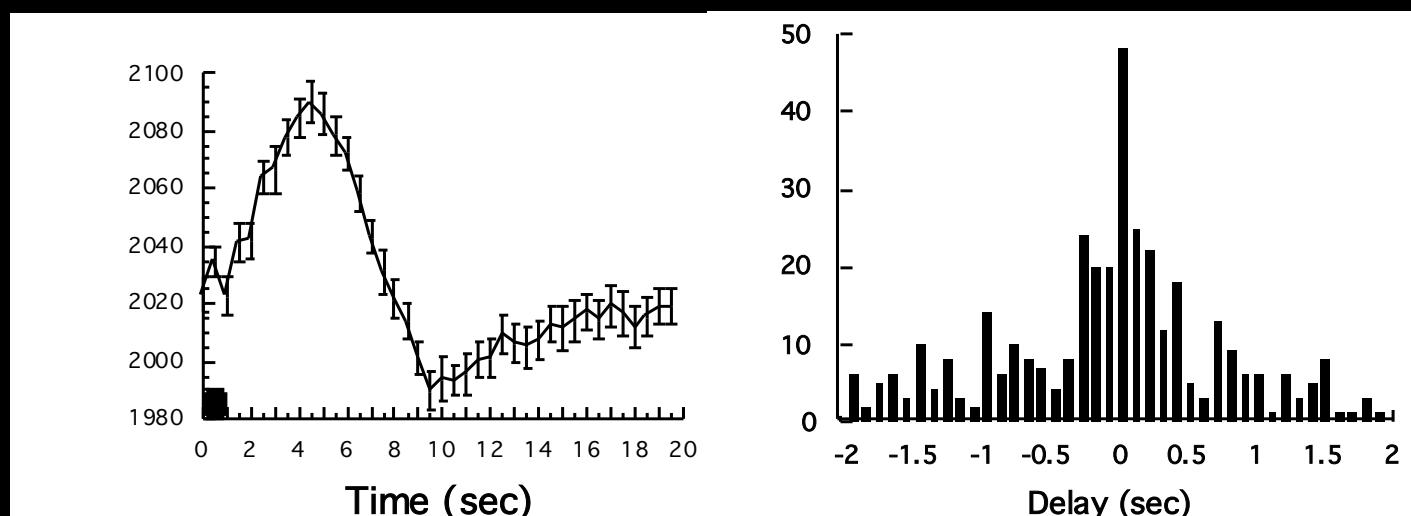
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# Latency

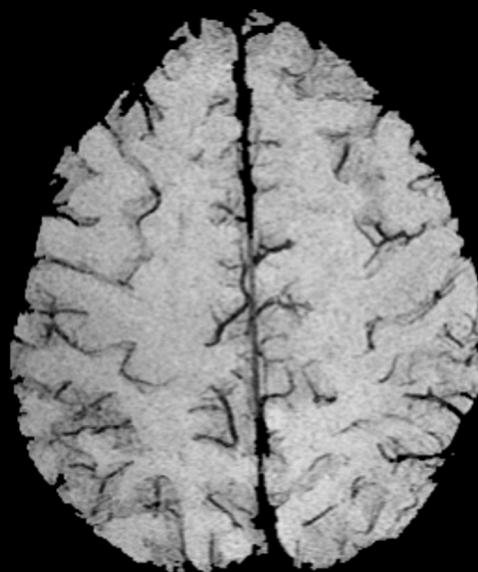
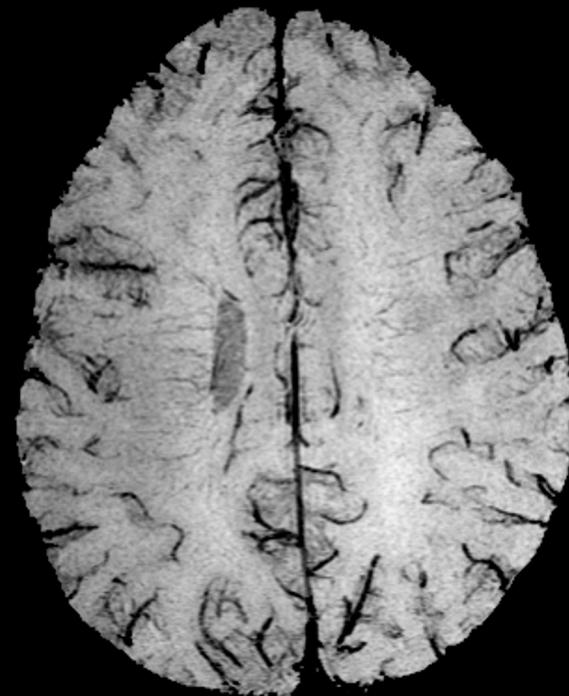


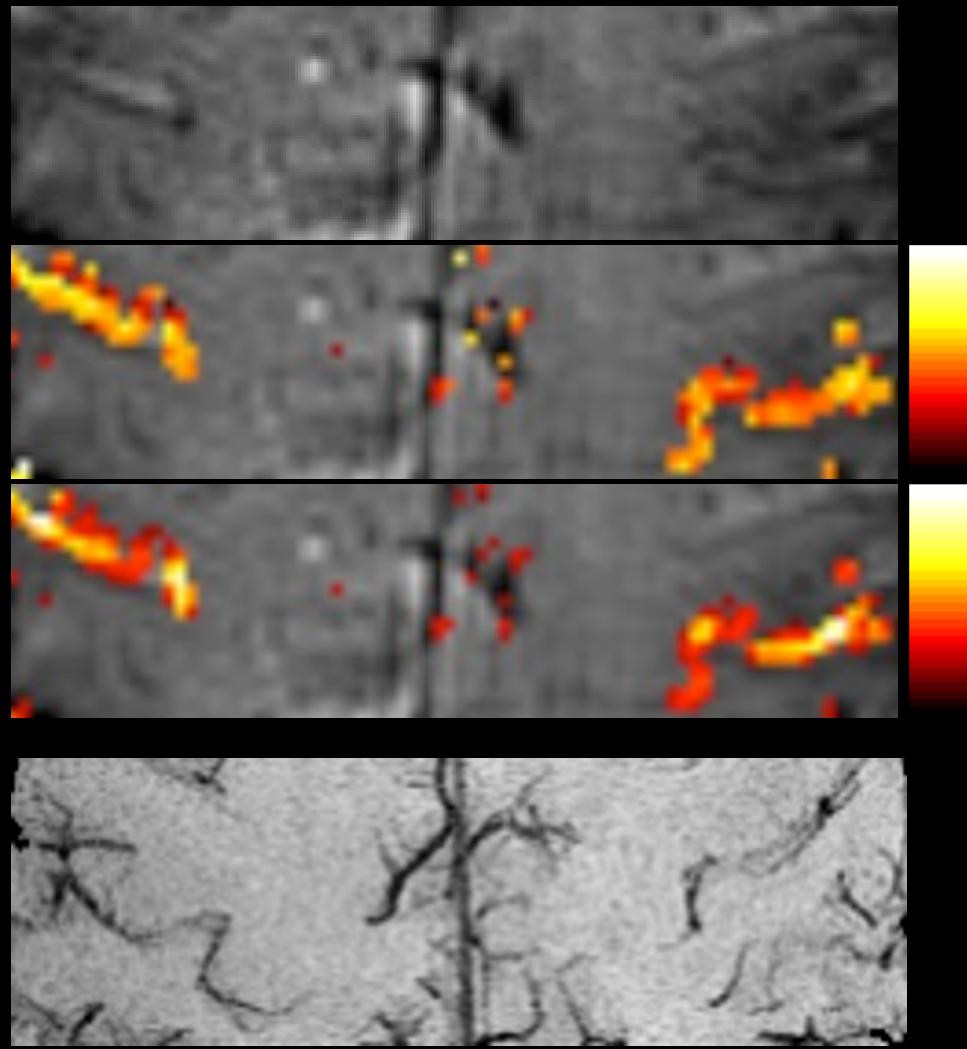
# Magnitude



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# Venograms (3T)

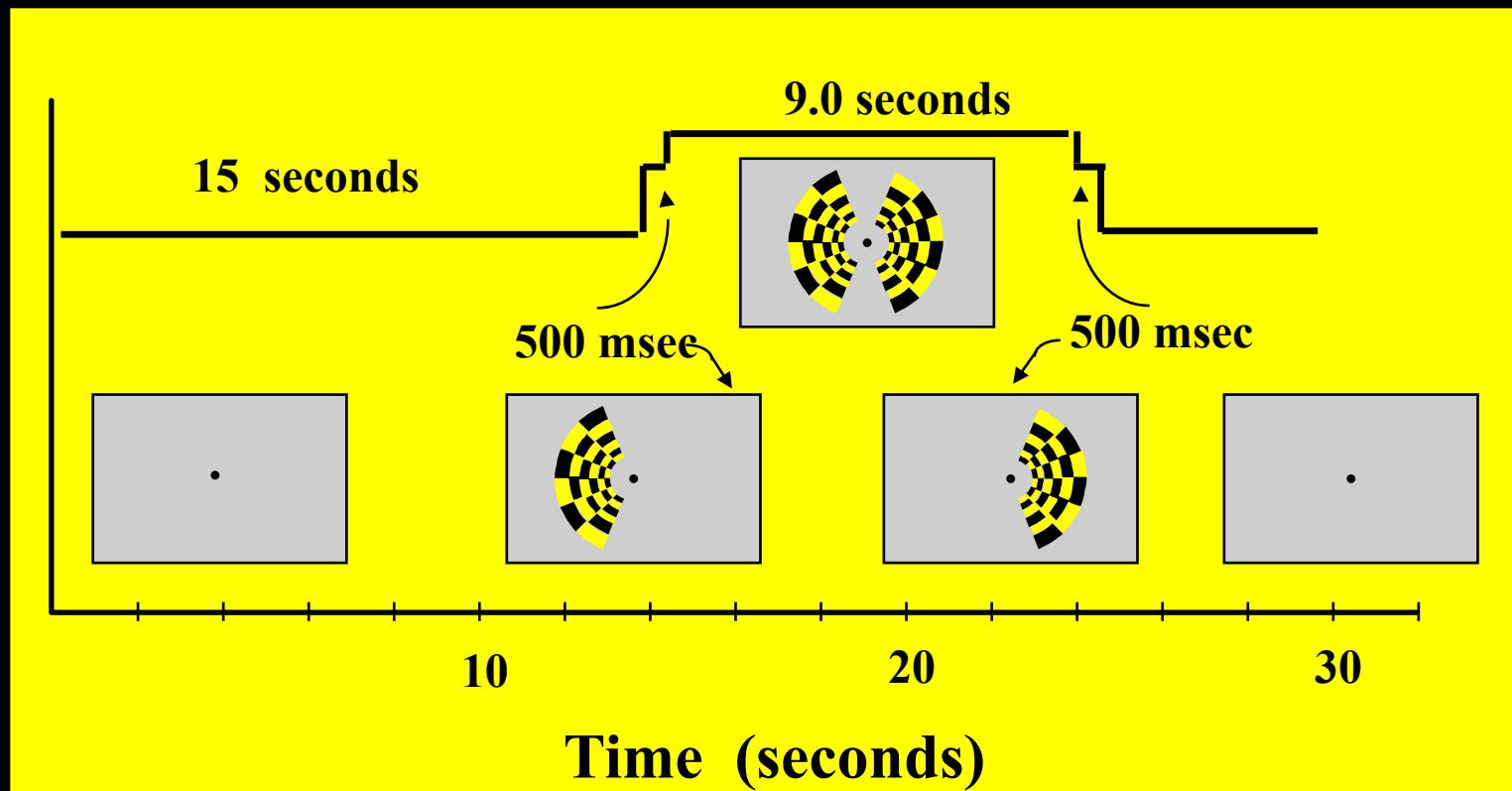


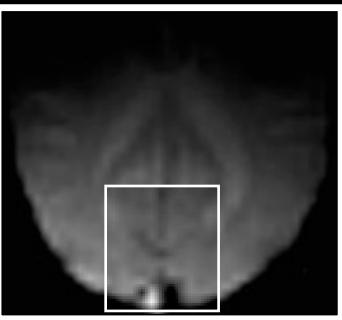


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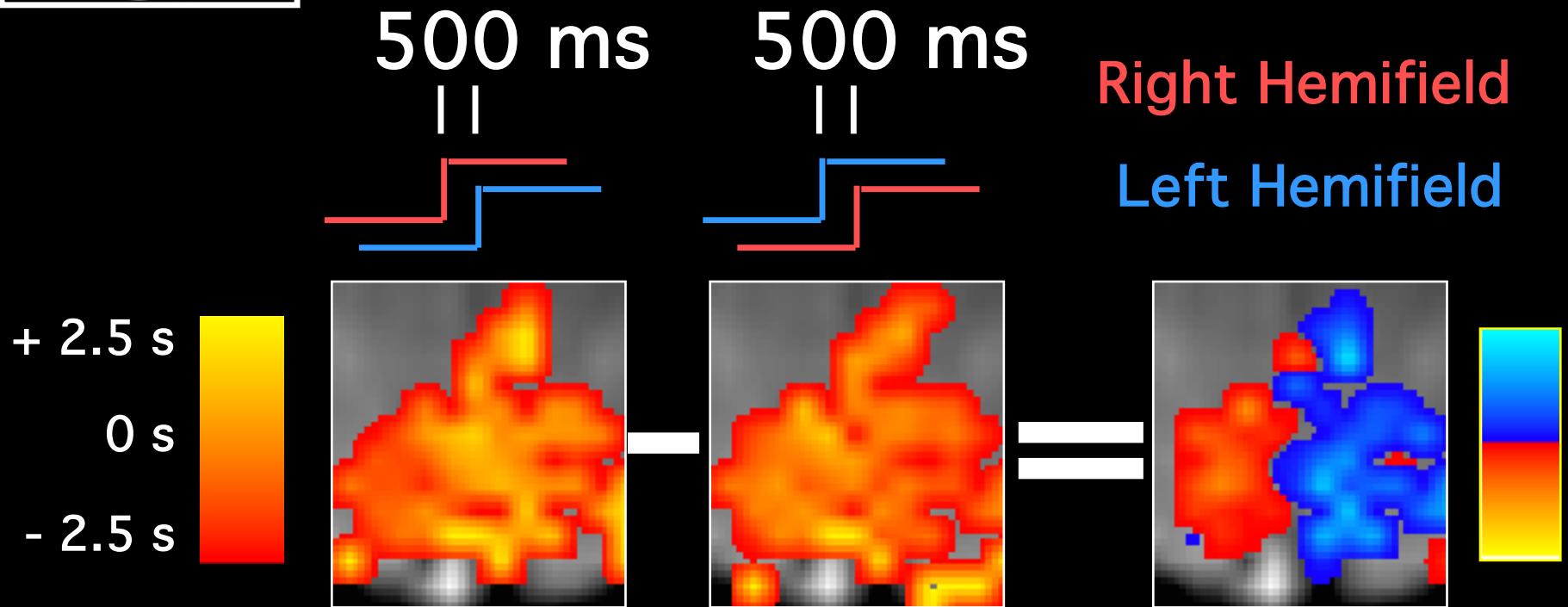
**Left  
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**Right  
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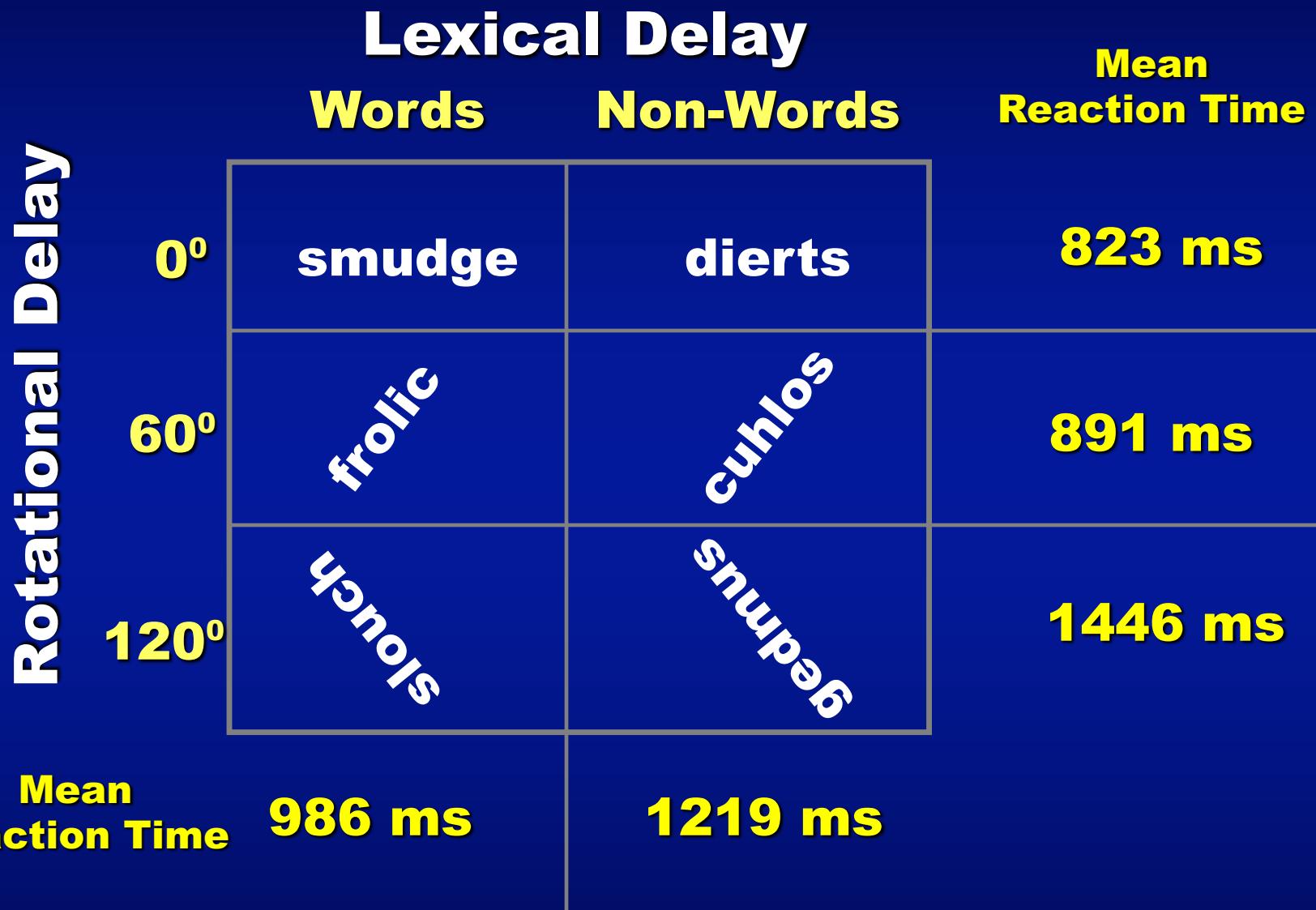


# Calibration Techniques.....



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# **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

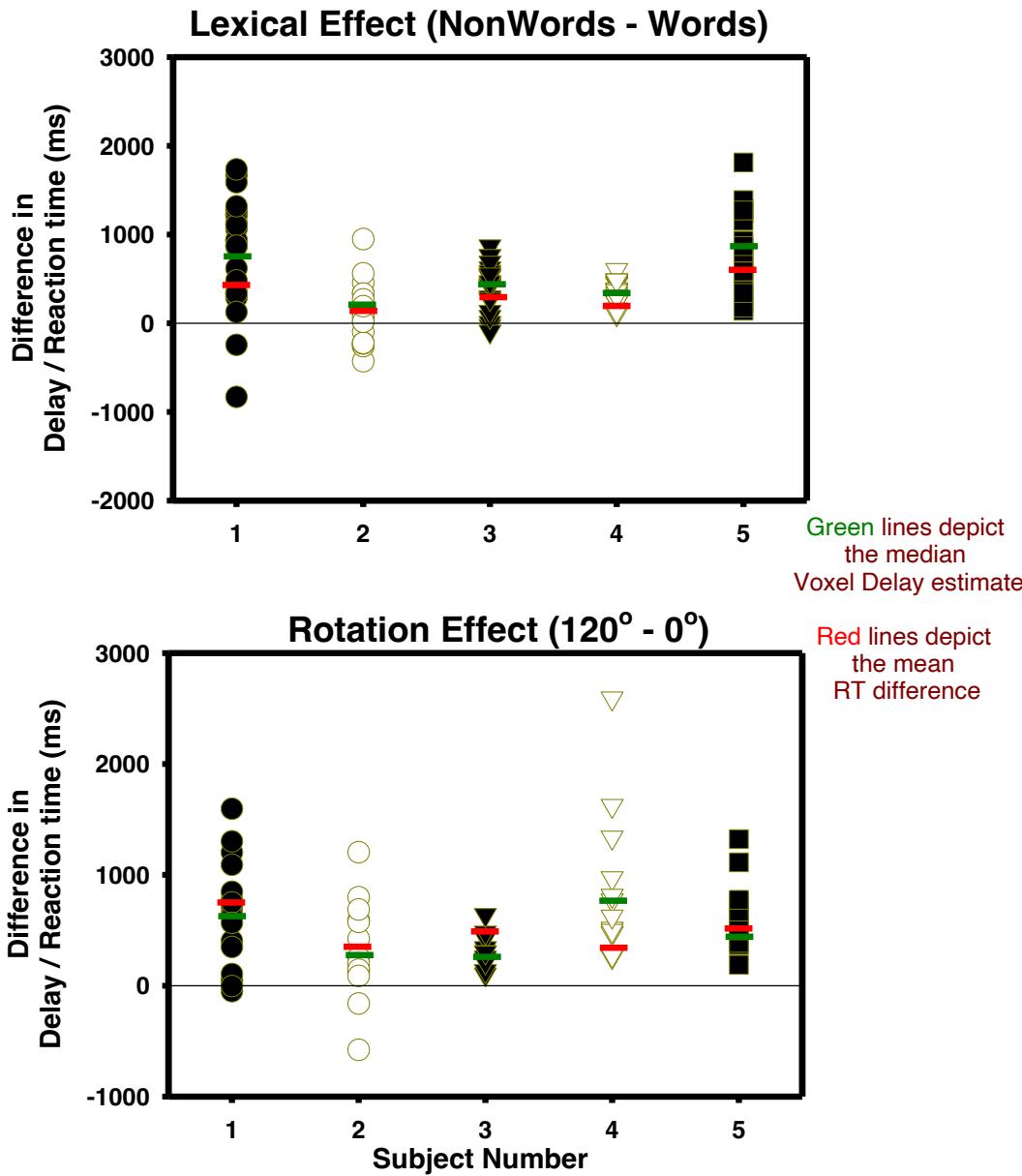
**Task** – Lexical Decision (word / non-word).

**Dependent Measures** – Percent Correct and Reaction Time.

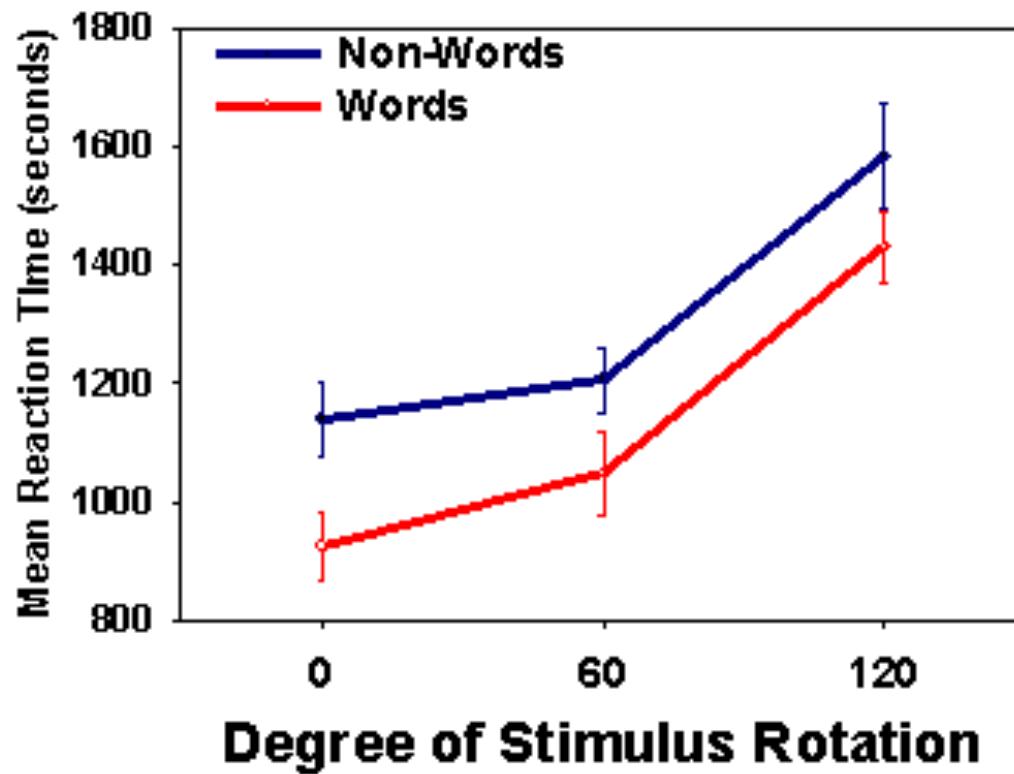
**Hypotheses :**

- 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

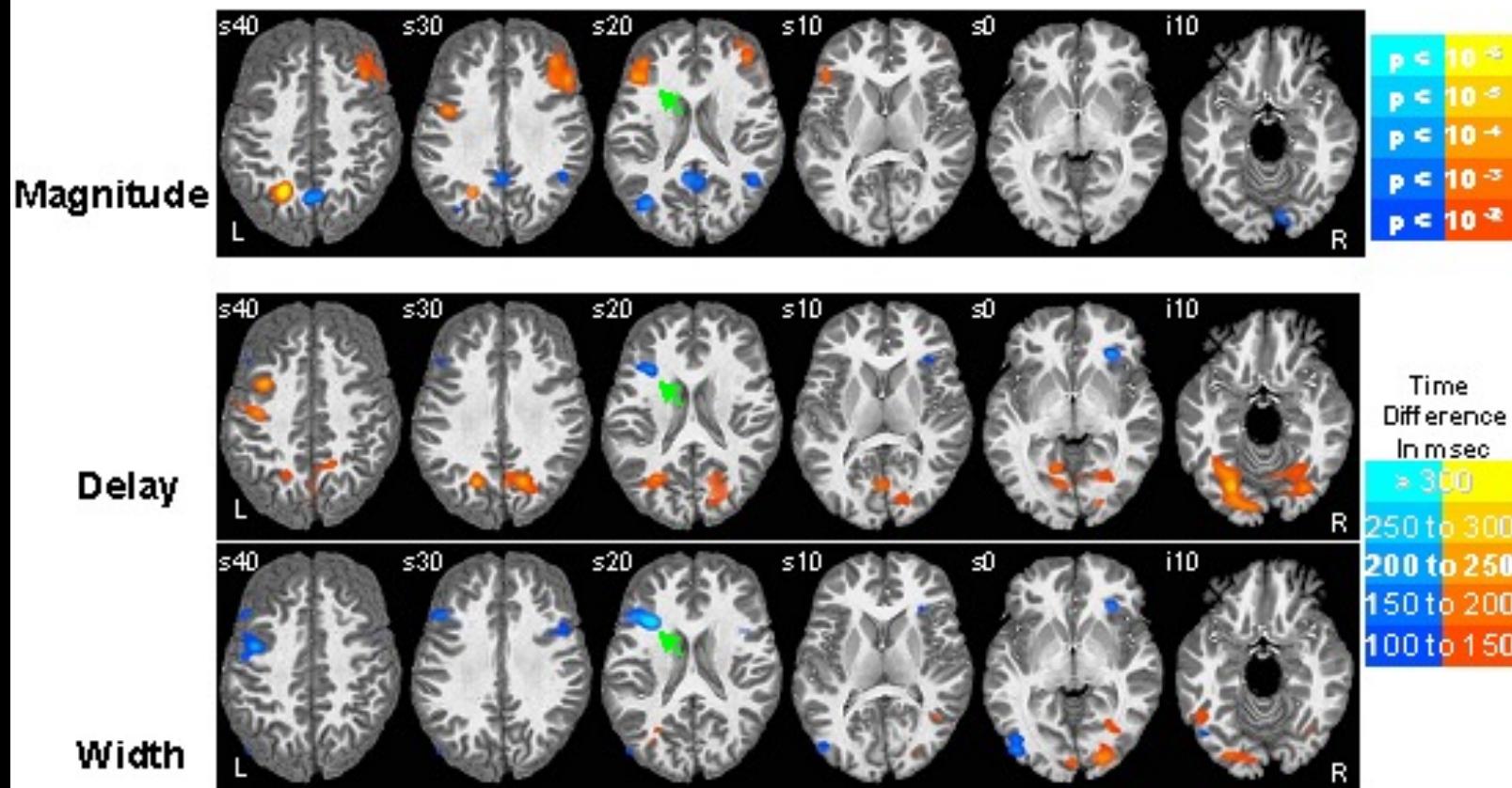
## Delay Differences from Individual Voxels within the Above ROI's



### **Response Times for each Stimulus Type**

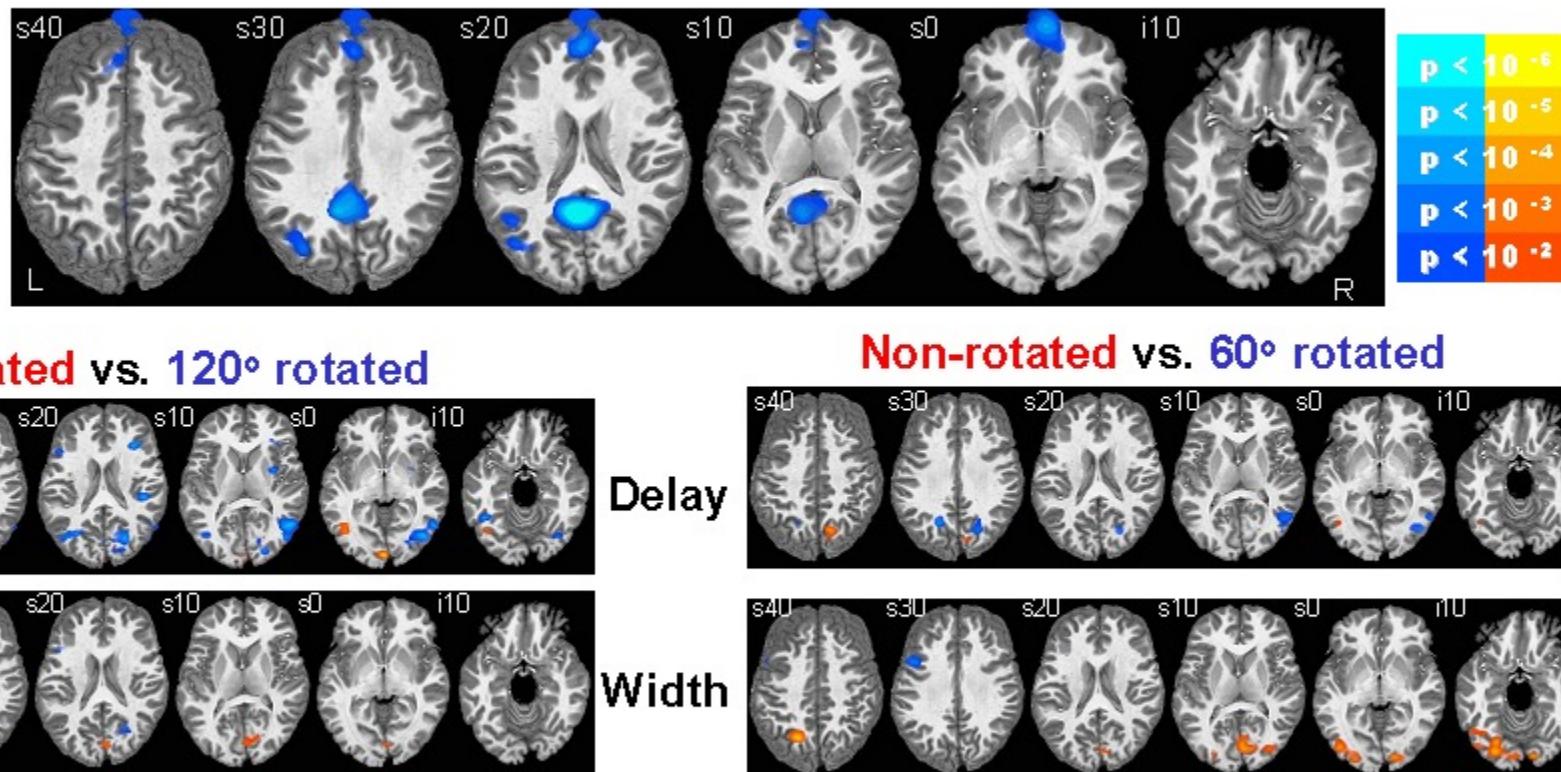


## Lexical effect maps

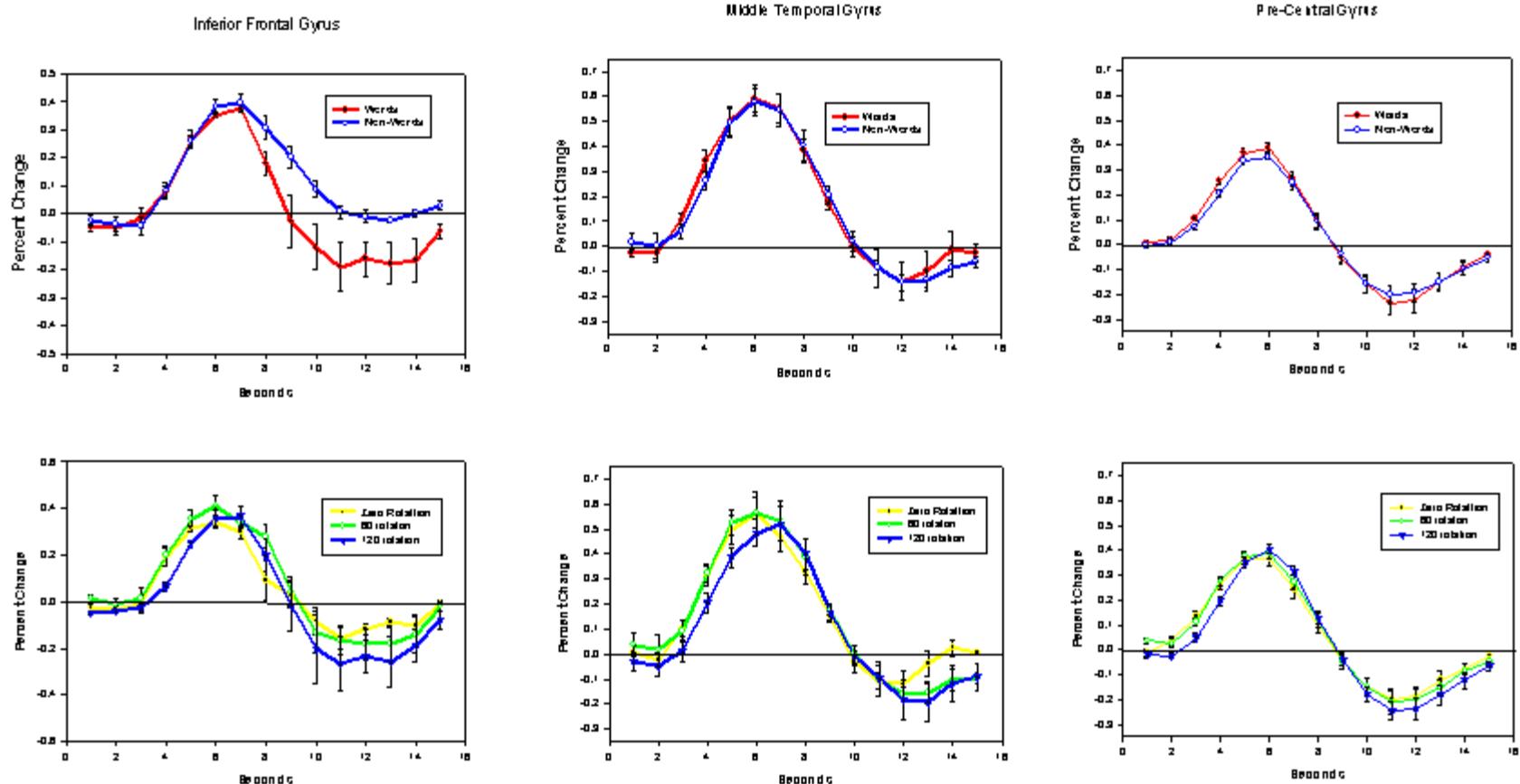


**Figure 2.** Warm colors are areas where Words > Non-words. Cool colors (blues) are areas Where Non-words > words. The Left hemisphere is toward the left margin. The green arrows Highlight the inferior frontal gyrus.

## Rotational effect maps

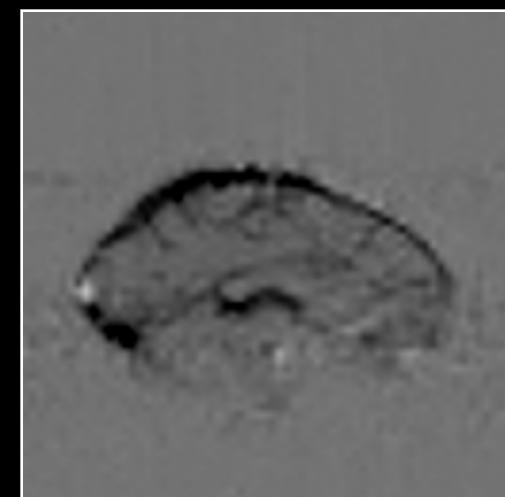
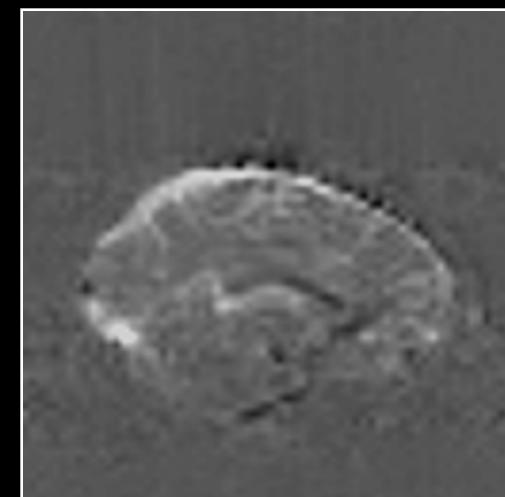
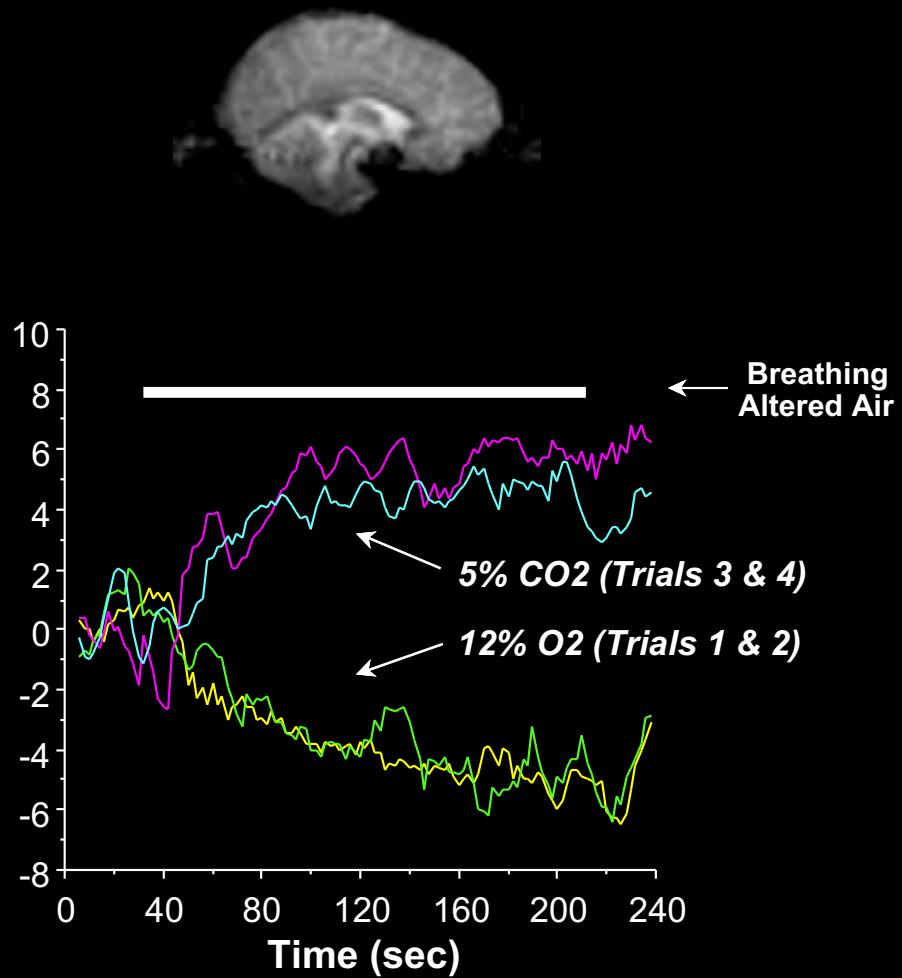


**Figure 3.** Warm colors are areas where Non-rotated stimuli > rotated. Cool colors (blues) are areas where Rotated stimuli > Non-rotated. The Left hemisphere is toward the left margin.



**Figure 4.** Graphs depicting the estimated Impulse Response Functions calculated by collapsing across all conditions. Error bars represent the standard error of the mean.

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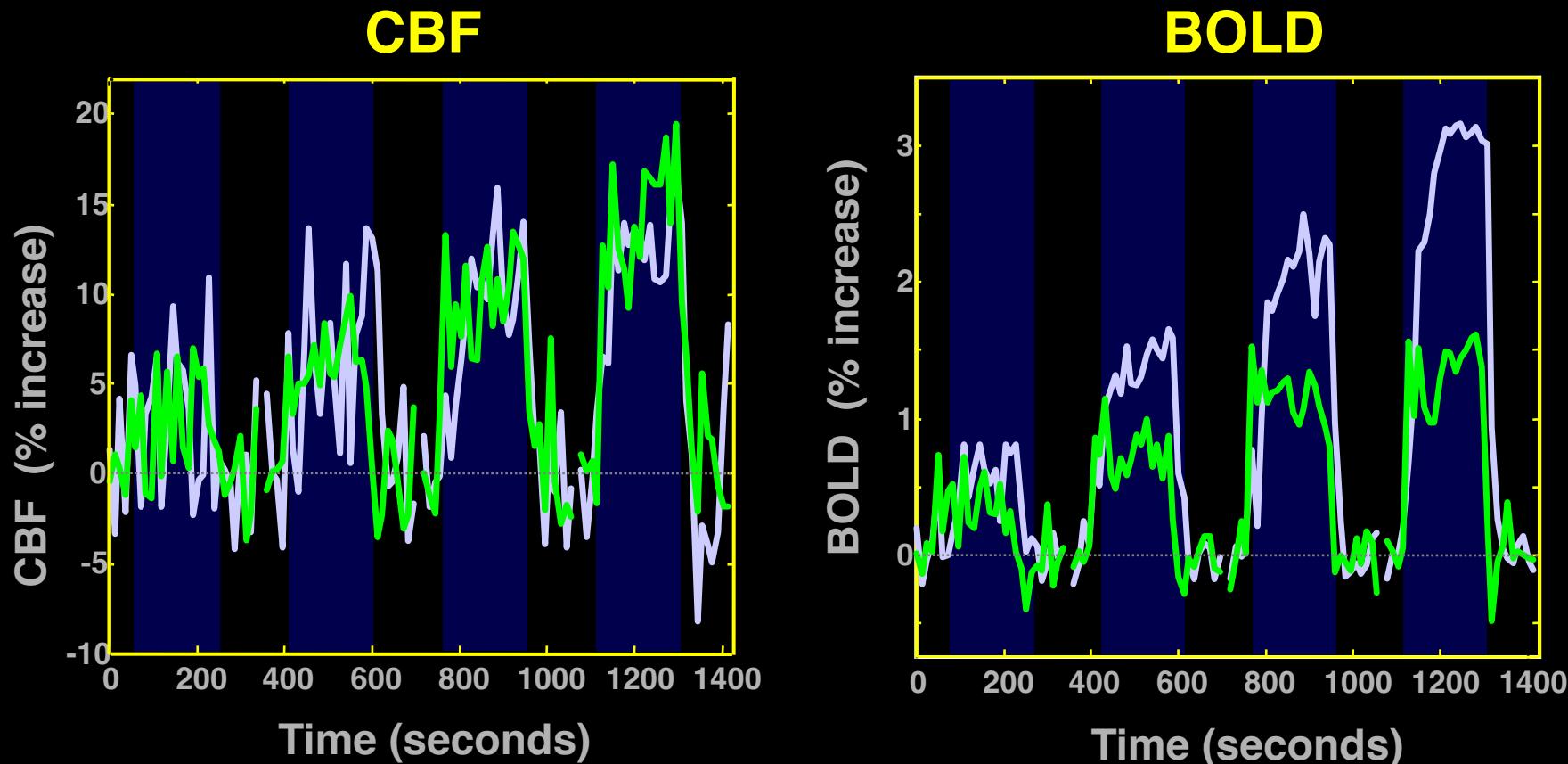


**12% O<sub>2</sub>**

## Linear coupling between cerebral blood flow and oxygen consumption in activated human cortex

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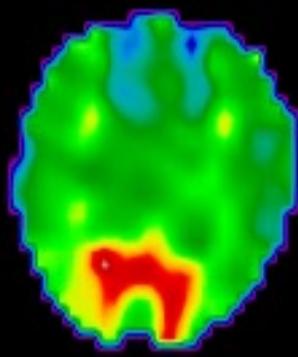
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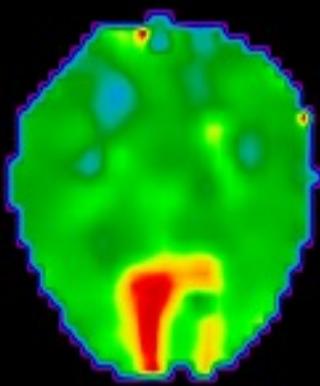
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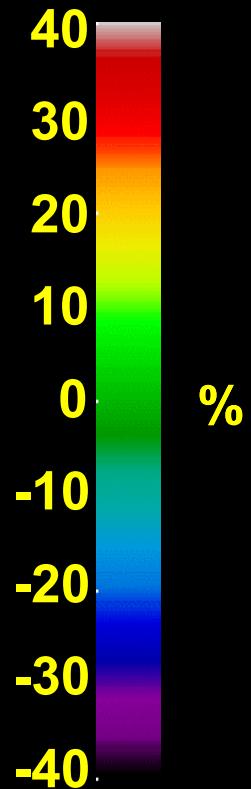
# Computed CMRO<sub>2</sub> Changes



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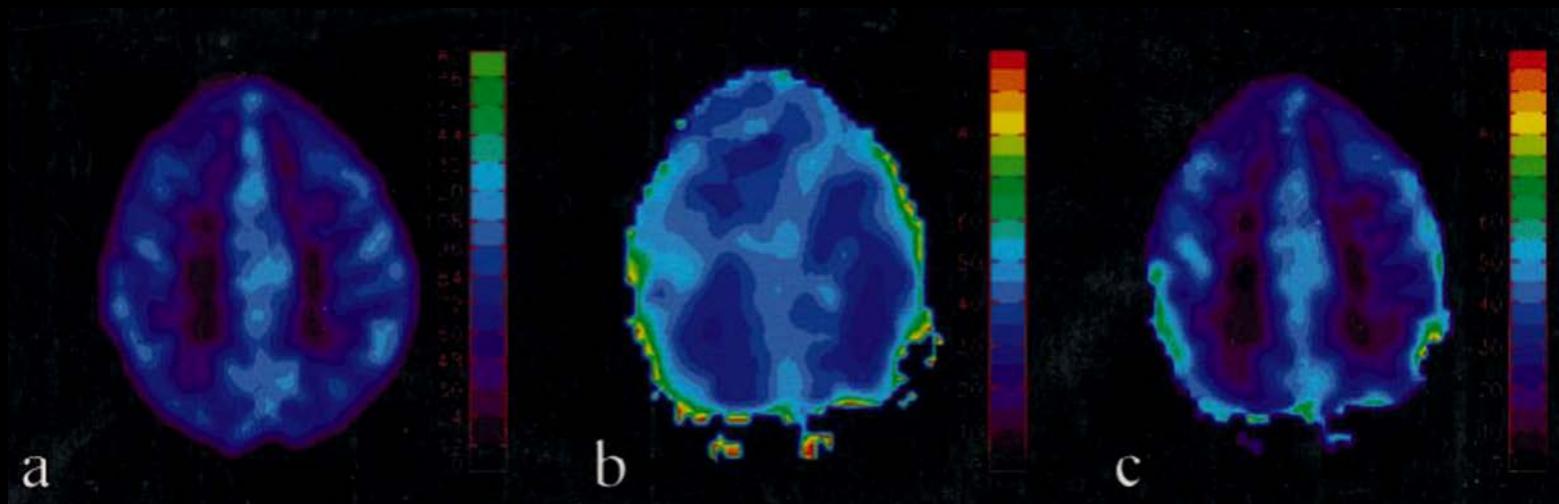


**Subject 2**



## Quantitative measurements of cerebral metabolic rate of oxygen utilization using MRI: a volunteer study

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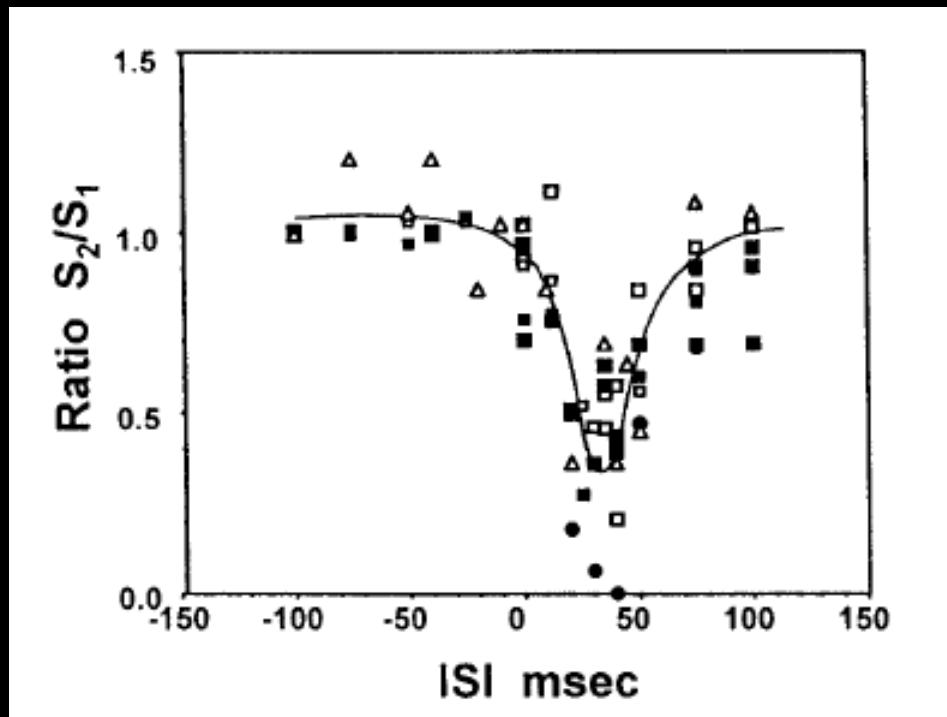
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# An approach to probe some neural systems interaction by functional MRI at neural time scale down to milliseconds

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# Future....

- Shimming
- Acoustic Noise
- Multishot Techniques
- Increased Gradient Performance
- Higher Field Strengths
- Surface Coil Arrays
- Calibration / Quantification
- Embedded Functional Contrast
- Noise / Fluctuations
- Direct Neuronal Current Imaging
- Clinical Populations
- Neuronal, Vascular, and Metabolic Information

# Technology

MRI	EPI	1.5T,3T, 4T	EPI on Clin. Syst.	Diff. tensor	Mg <sup>+</sup>	7T
		Local Human Head Gradient Coils		Real time fMRI		
	ASL	Spiral EPI	Nav. pulses	Quant. ASL	Z-shim	Venography
	BOLD		Multi-shot fMRI	Dynamic IV volume	Simultaneous ASL and BOLD	Baseline Susceptibility
						Current Imaging?

# Methodology

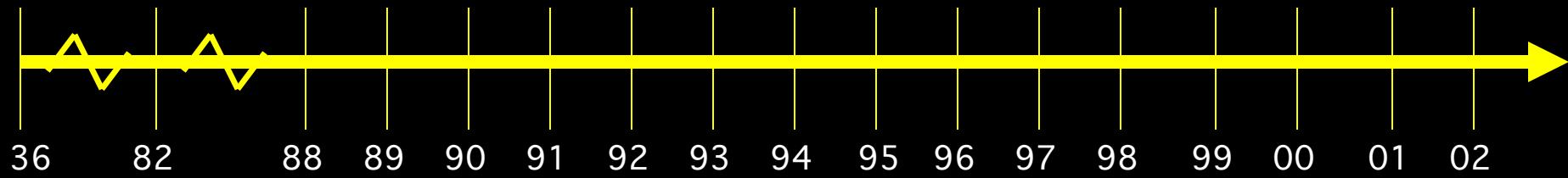
IVIM	Baseline Volume	Correlation Analysis	Motion Correction	CO <sub>2</sub> Calibration
		Parametric Design		Multi-Modal Mapping
	Linear Regression	Surface Mapping		Free-behavior Designs
		Phase Mapping		
		Event-related	Mental Chronometry	Deconvolution

# Interpretation

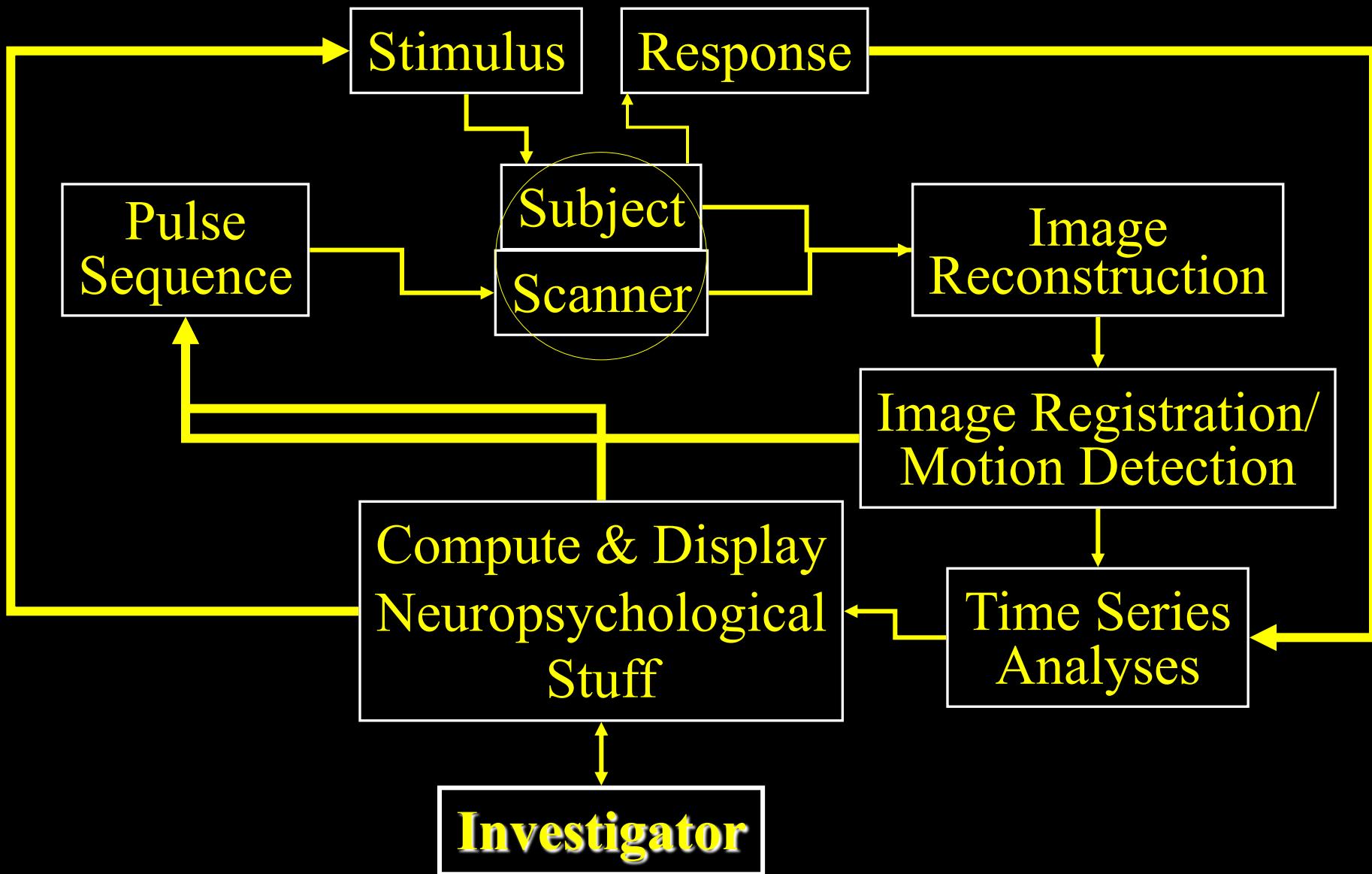
Blood T2	BOLD models	PET correlation		
	B <sub>0</sub> dep.	IV vs EV	ASL vs. BOLD	
		Pre-undershoot	PSF of BOLD	
	TE dep	Resolution Dep.		Extended Stim.
		Post-undershoot		
Hemoglobin	SE vs. GE	CO <sub>2</sub> effect	Linearity	Metab. Correlation
		NIRS Correlation	Fluctuations	Optical Im. Correlation
	Veins	Inflow	Balloon Model	Electophys. correlation

# Applications

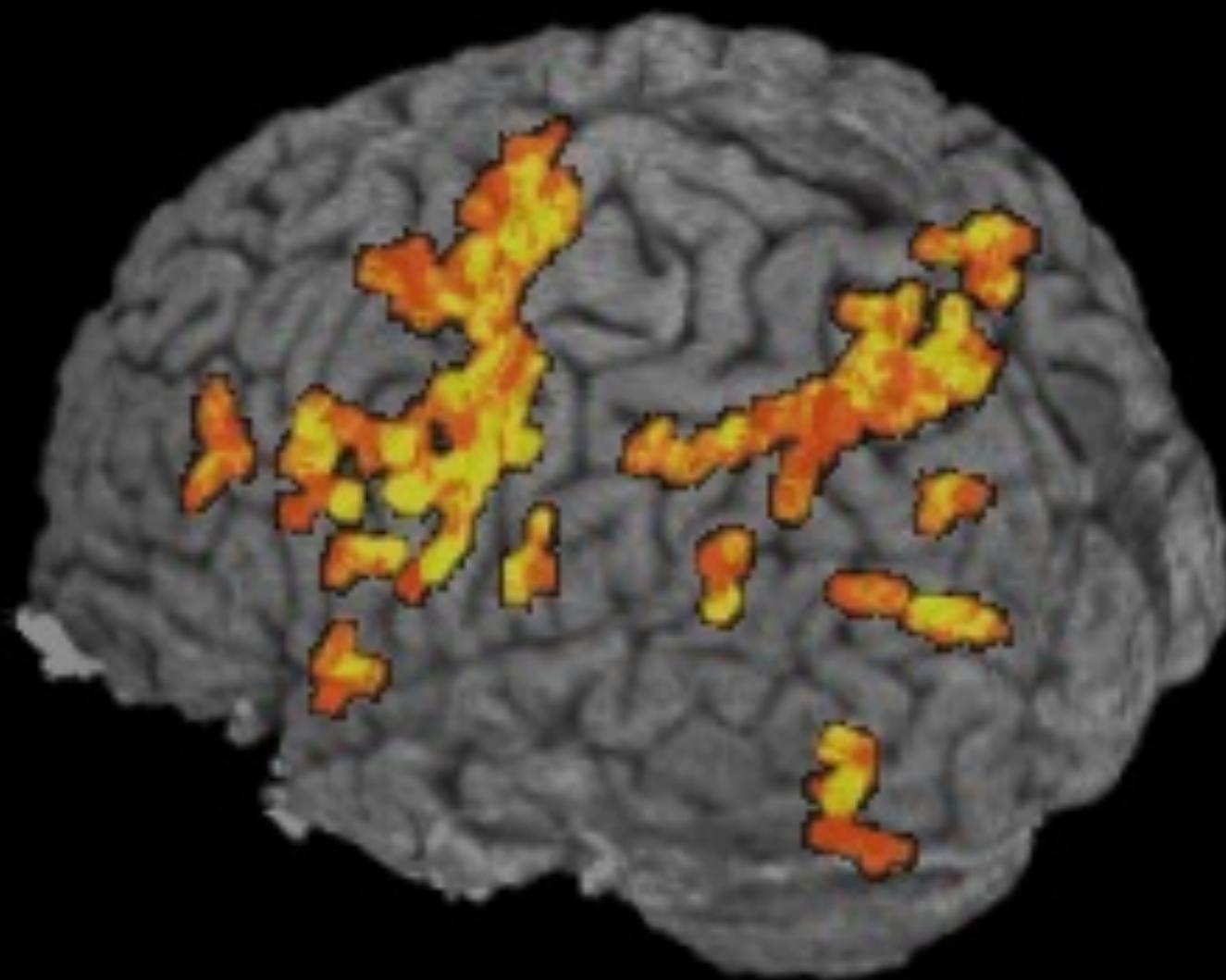
Volume - Stroke	Complex motor			
	Language	Imagery	Memory	Emotion
	Motor learning	Children	Tumor vasc.	Drug effects
	BOLD -V1, M1, A1	Presurgical	Attention	Ocular Dominance
$\Delta$ Volume-V1	V1, V2..mapping	Priming/Learning	Clinical Populations	
		Plasticity	Face recognition	Performance prediction



# Processing Stream with Real Time fMRI



# 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

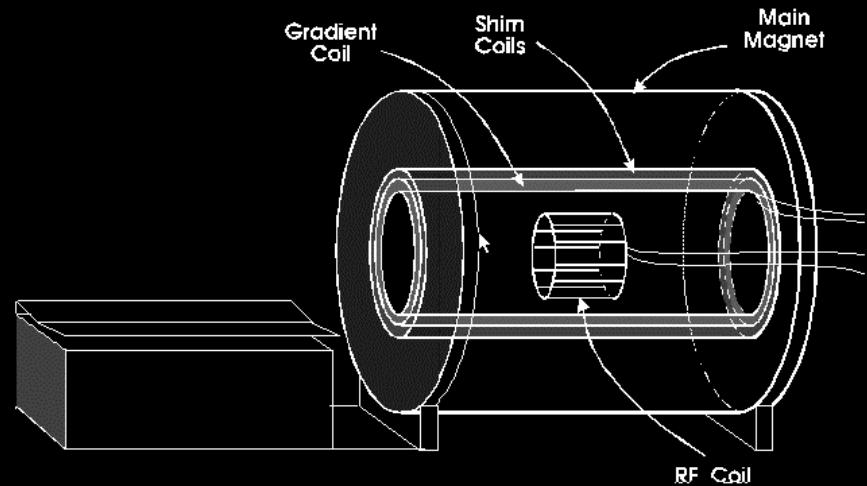
Correlation > 0.45



2 G/cm, 350 T/m/s



4 G/cm, 150 T/m/s



10 G/cm, 1000 T/m/s



Diffusion imaging  
Faster imaging  
Higher resolution

# Neuronal Current Imaging

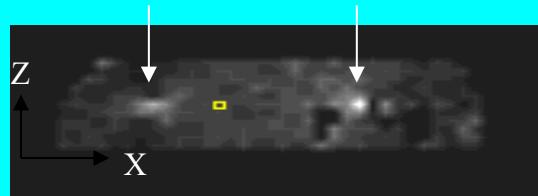
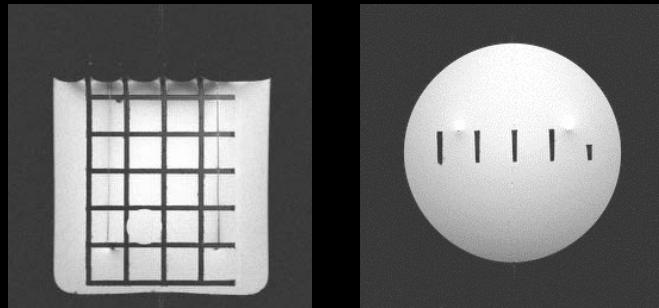
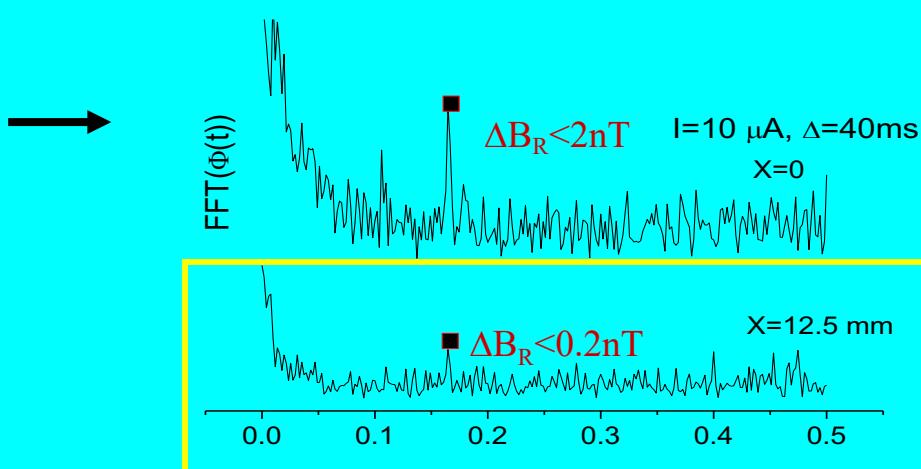


Figure 1



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