

Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation

Physics, devices, & modeling

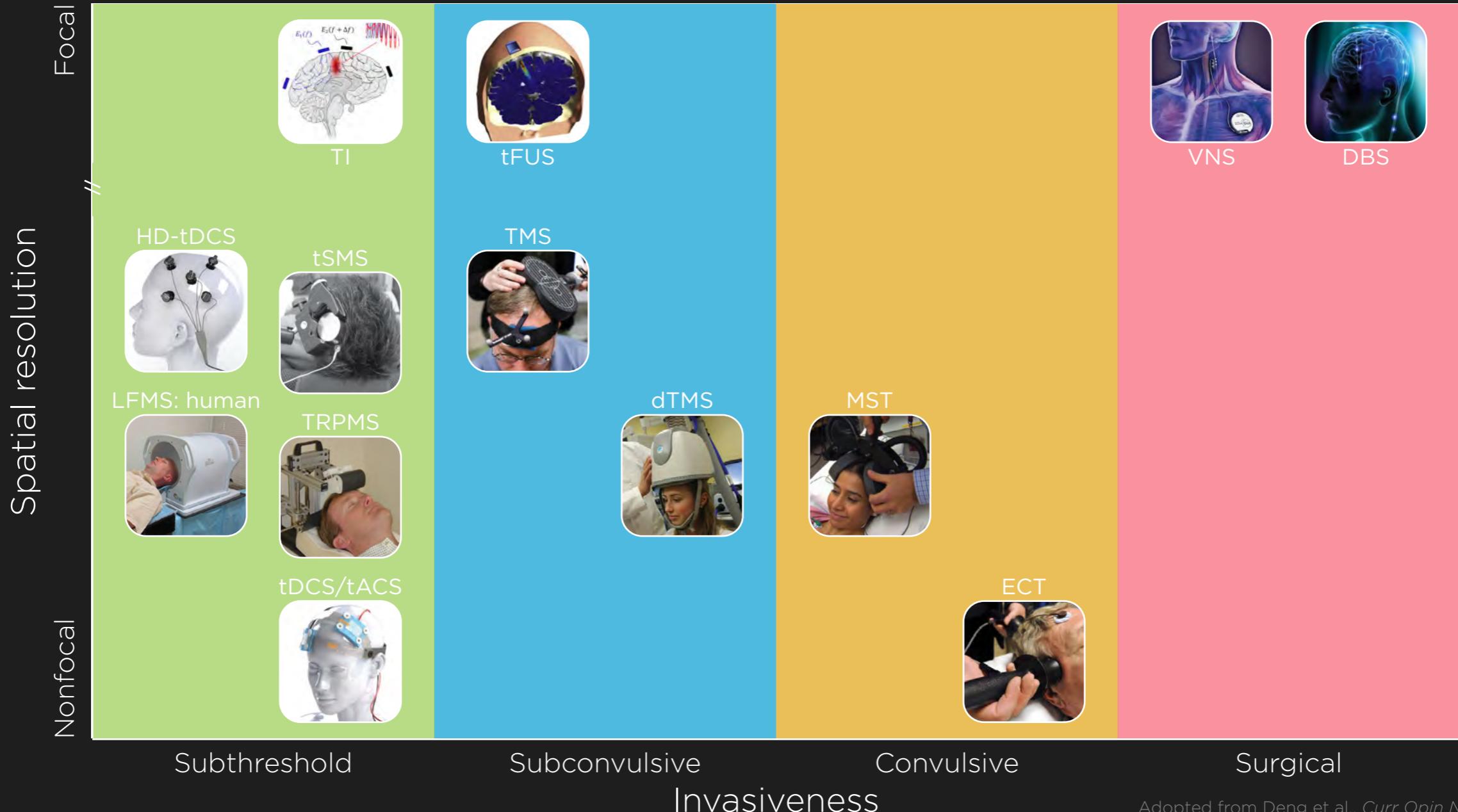
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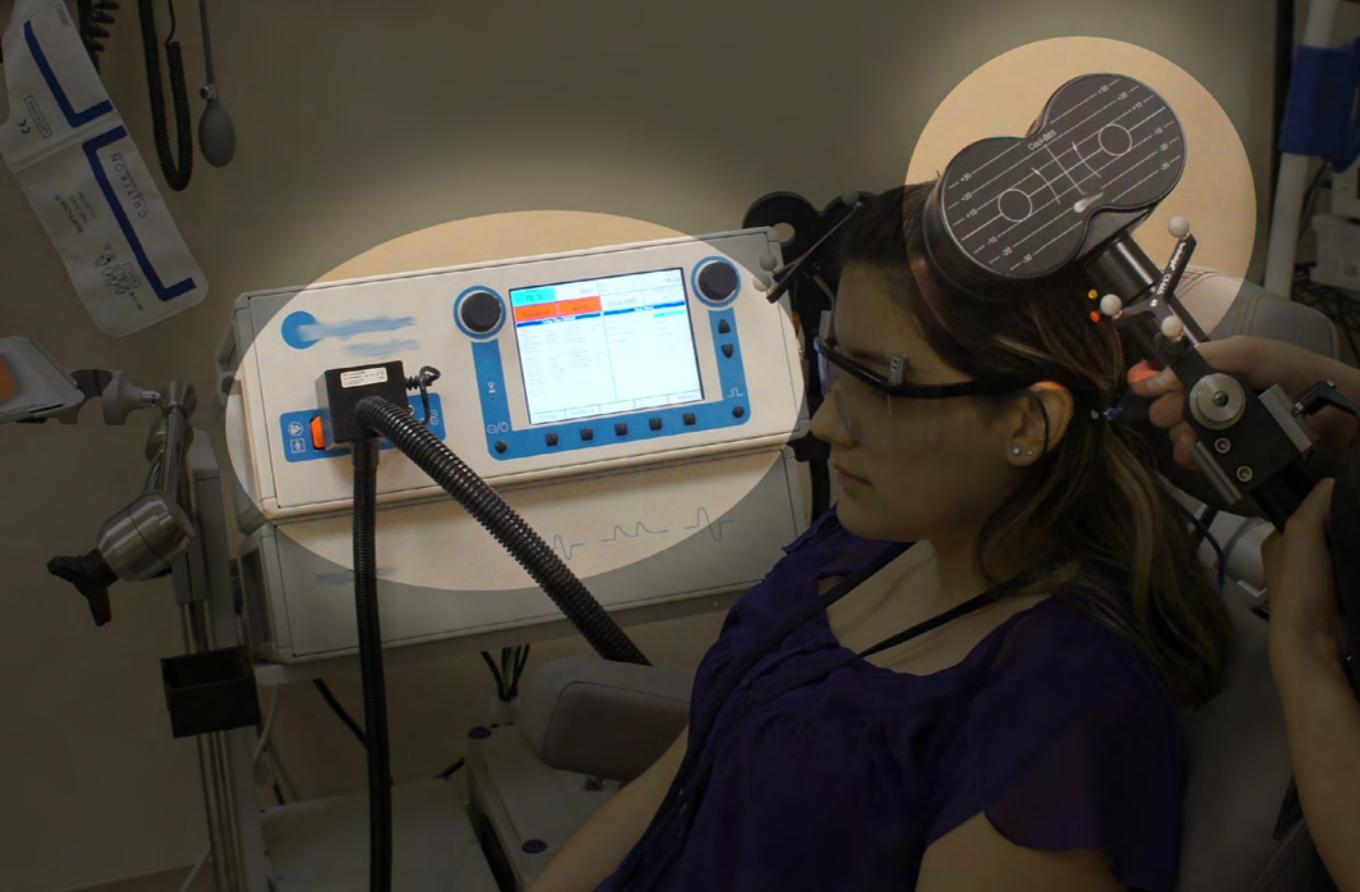
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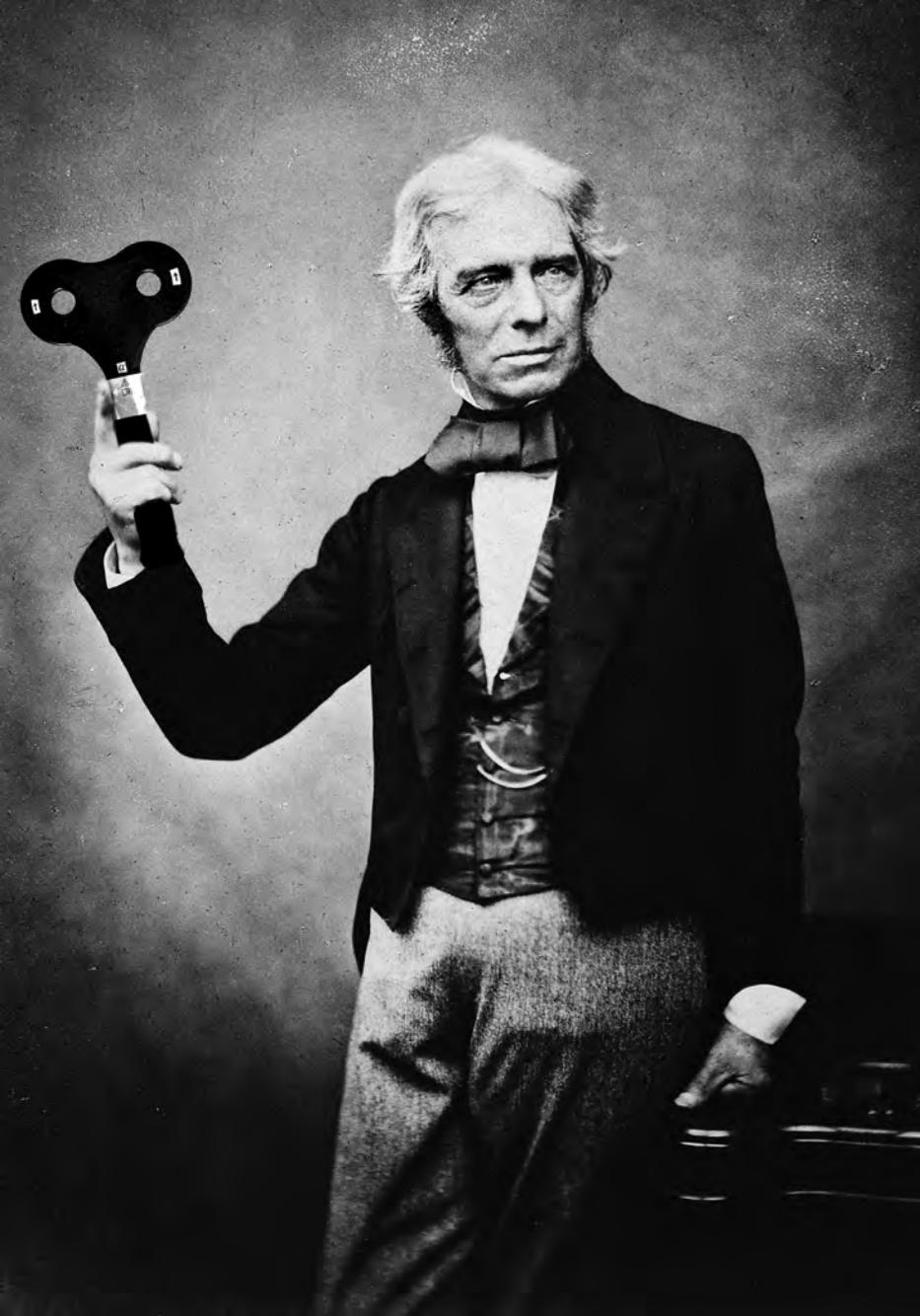
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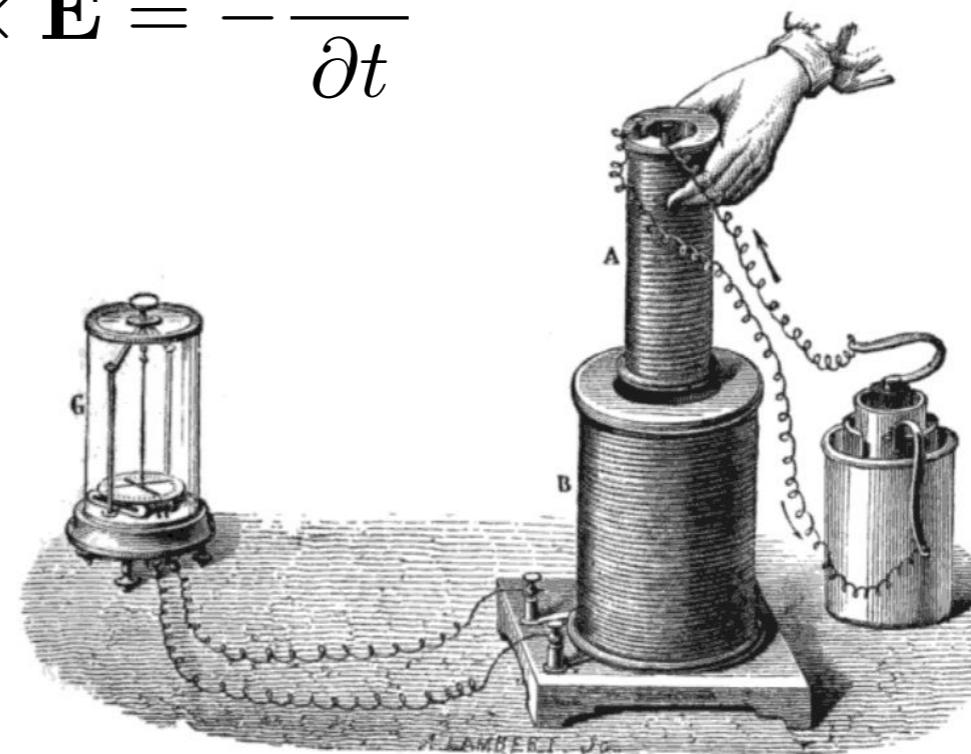


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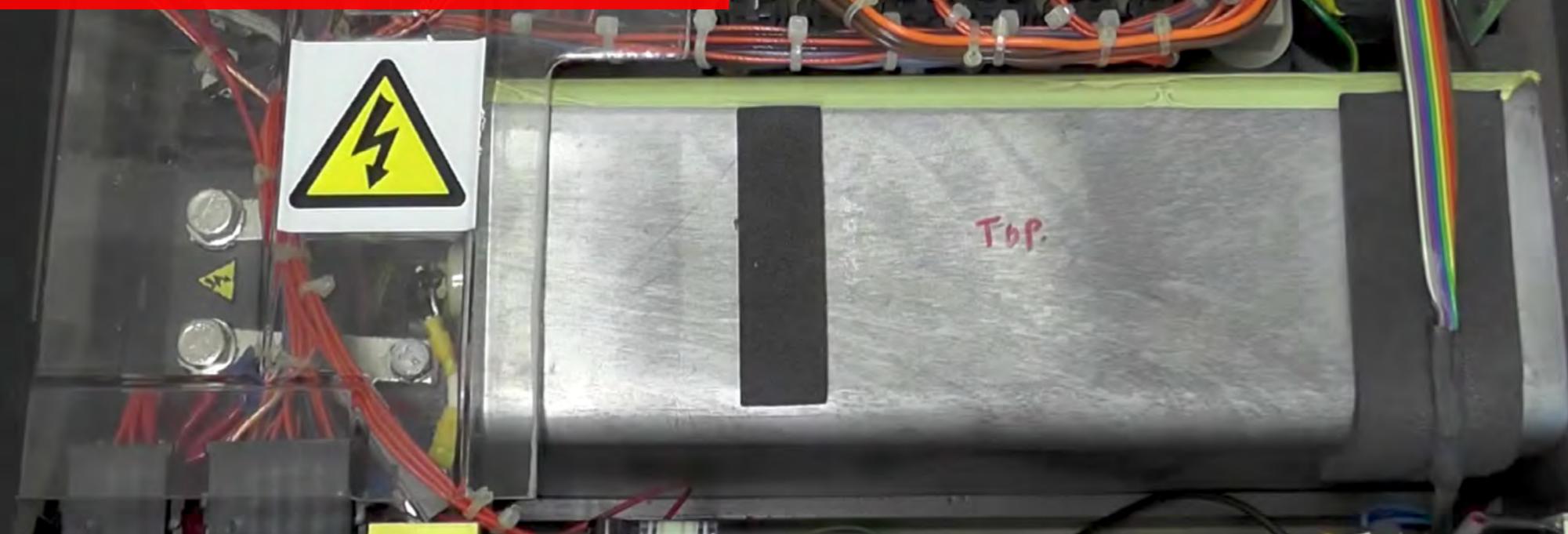
$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$$

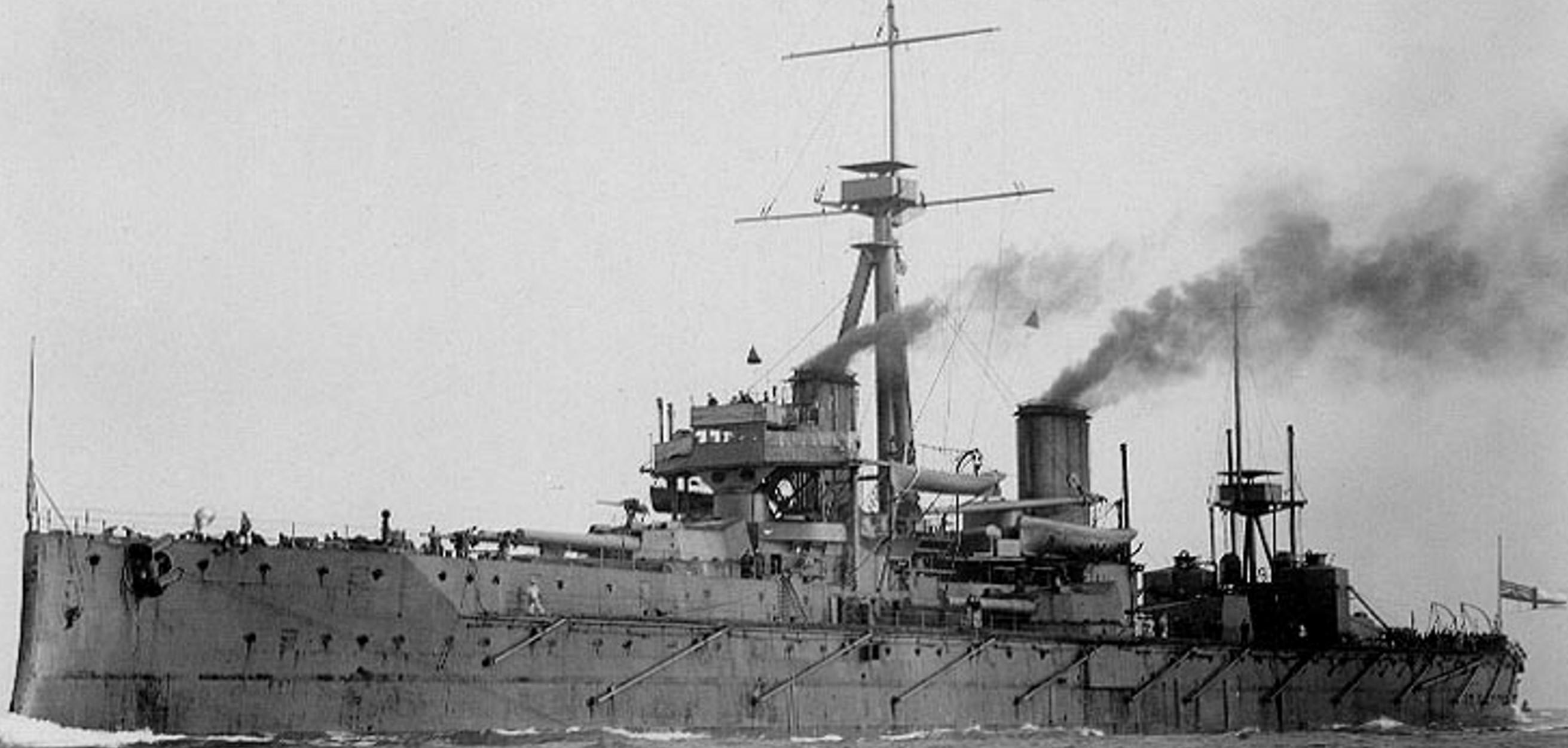


Faraday's experiment with induction.

Typical TMS parameters

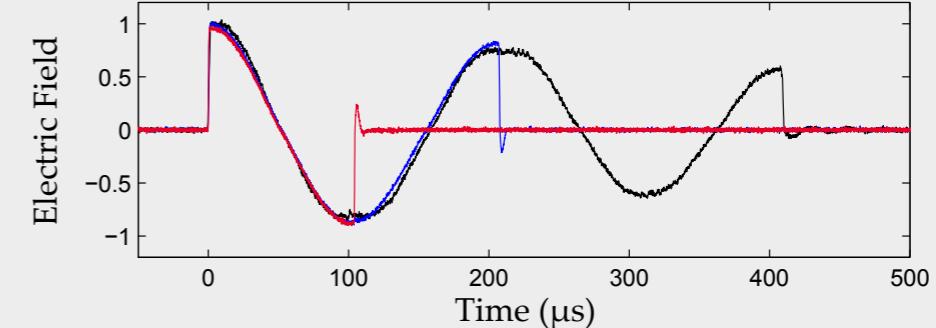
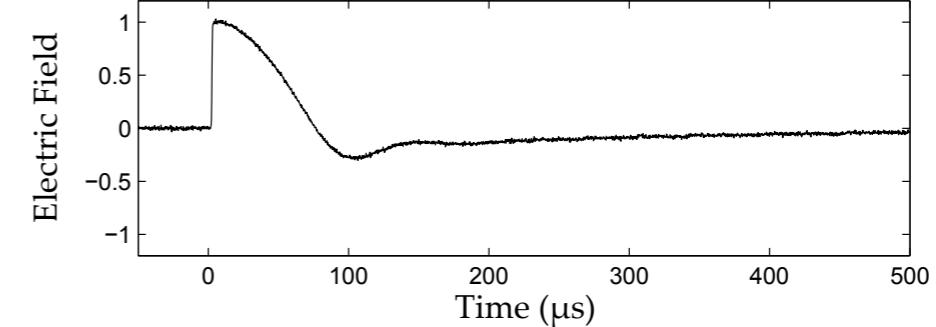
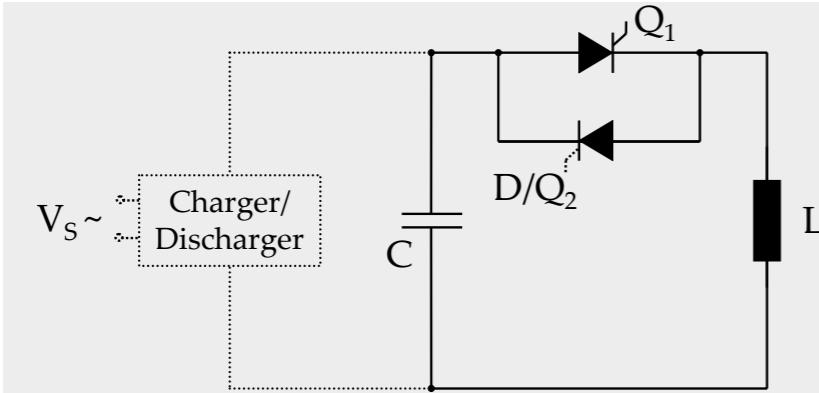
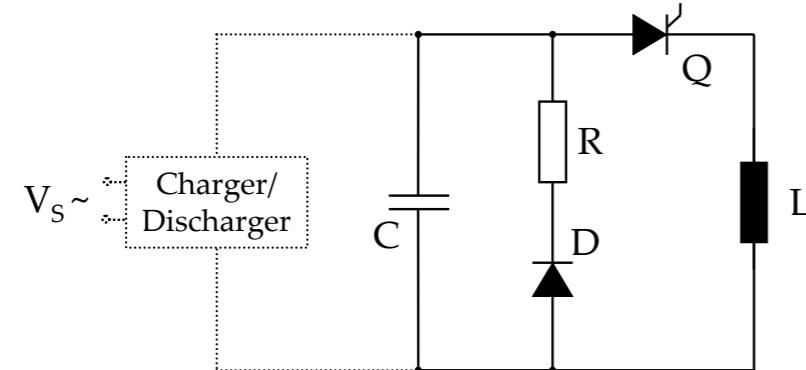
capacitor voltage: 2 kV
coil current: 7 kA
magnetic field: 2 T
electric field: 1 V/cm



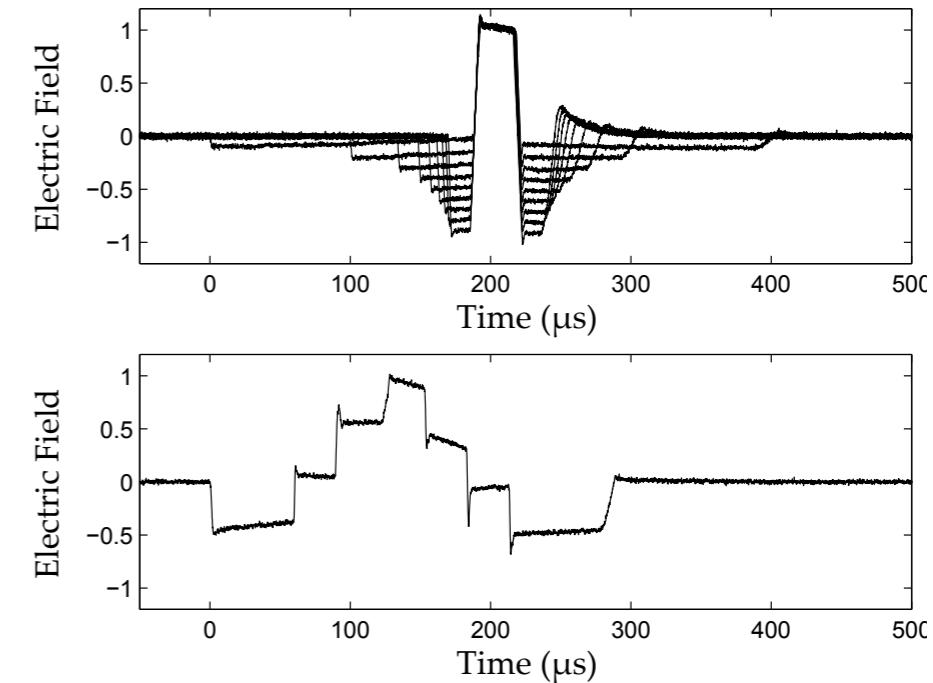
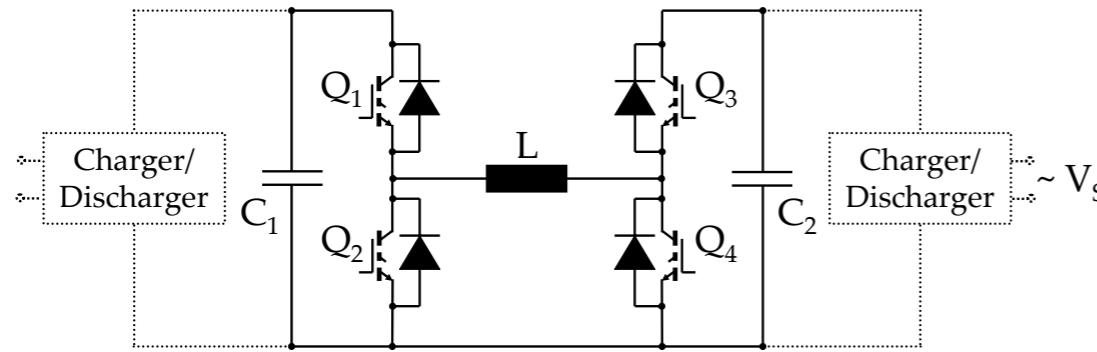


Roberts, *Anatomy of the Ship: The Battleship Dreadnought*, 1992

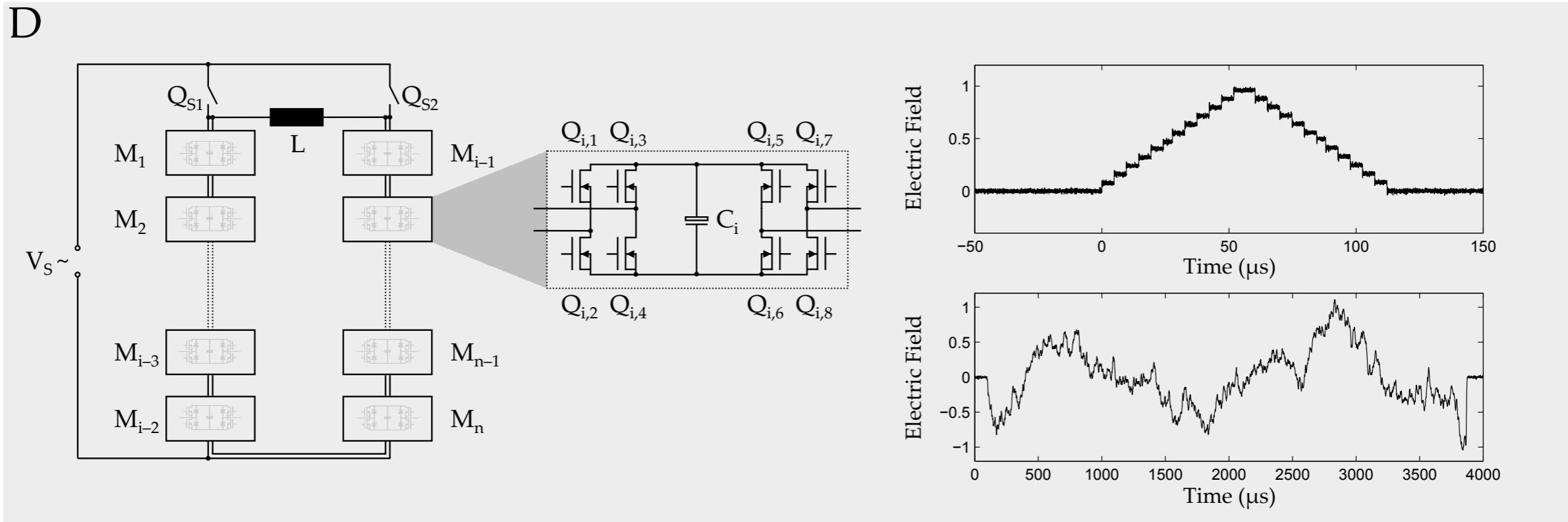
Conventional stimulators



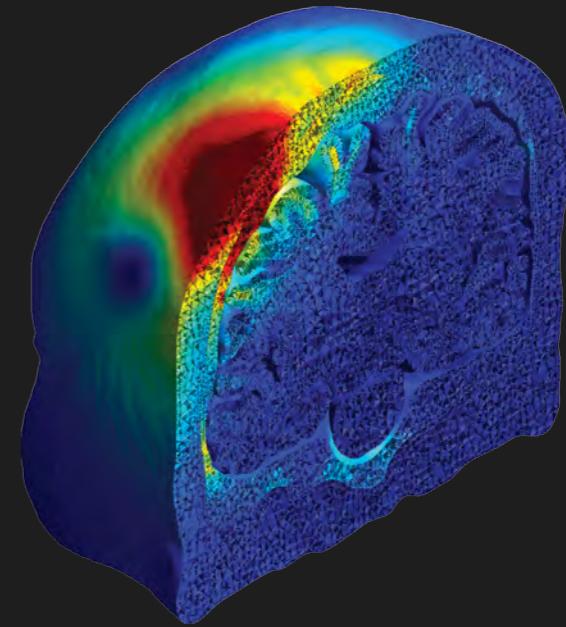
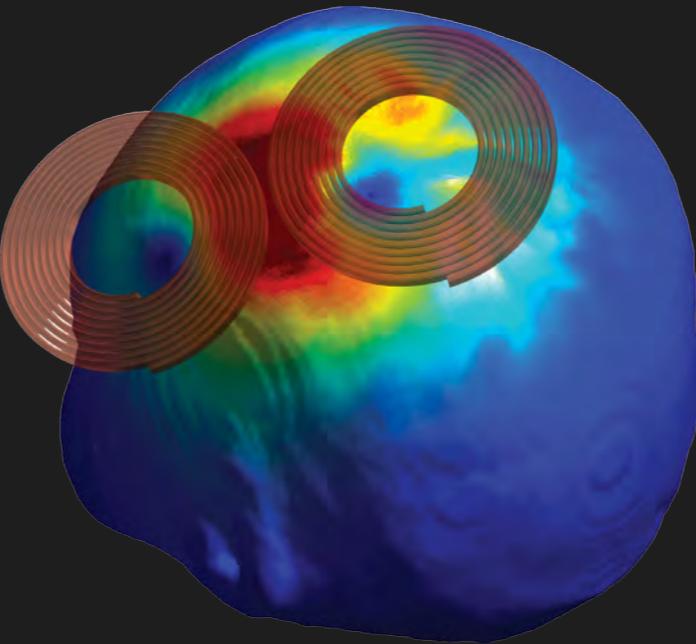
Controllable pulse-width TMS



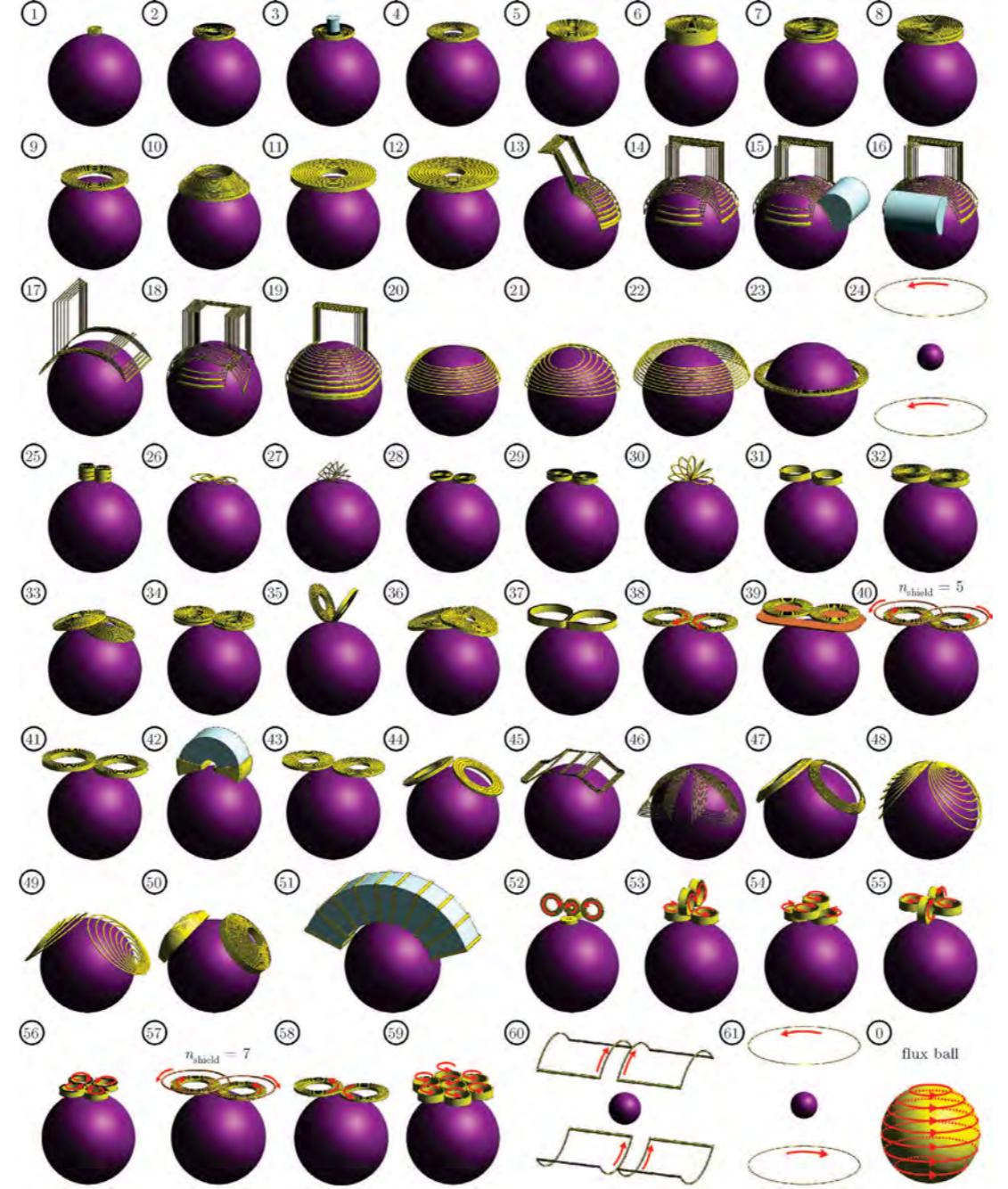
Synthesizer



Spatial targeting



- § no 3D focusing in depth
- § conventional coils have low electric field penetration
~2-3 cm from head surface



Circular type

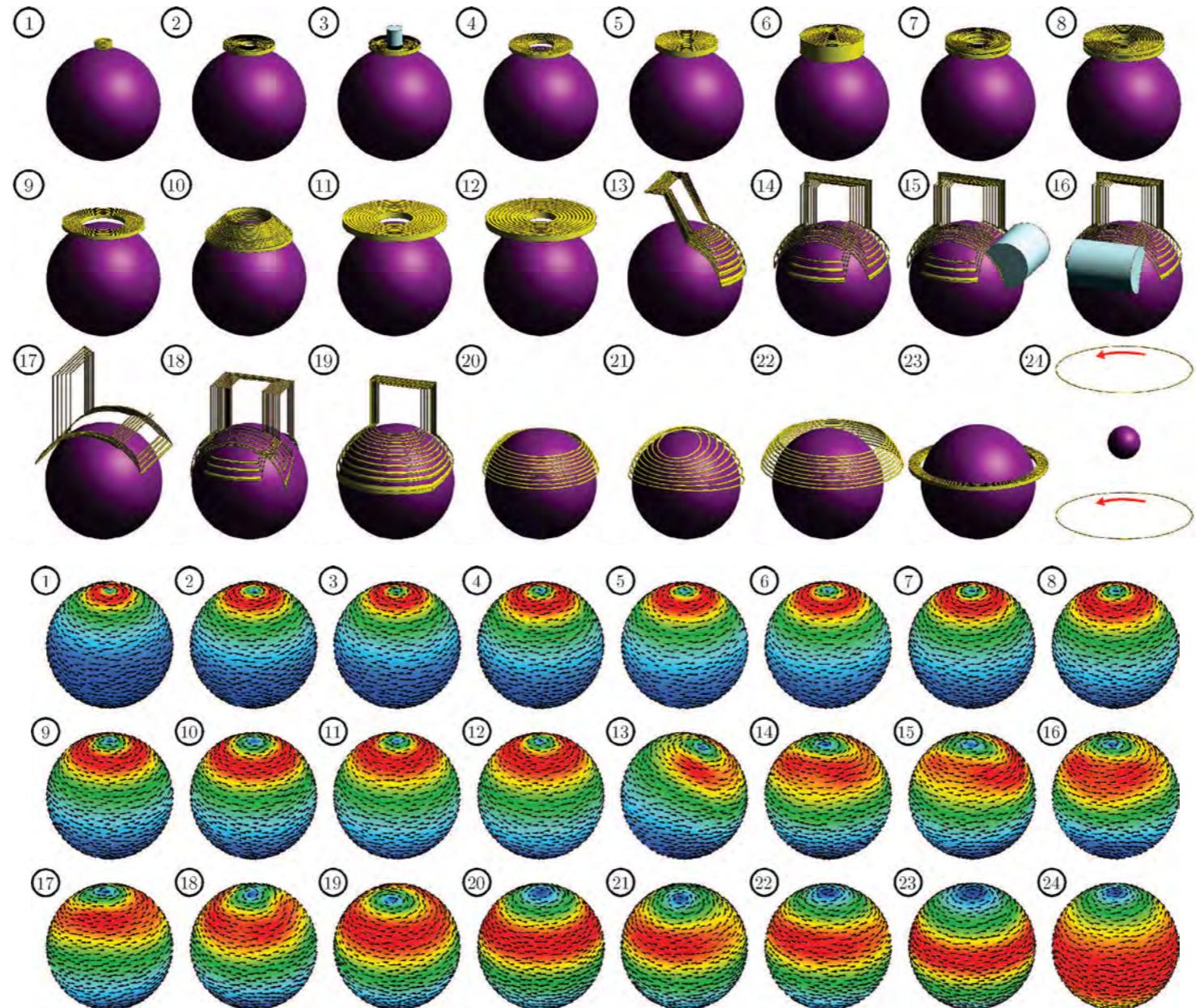
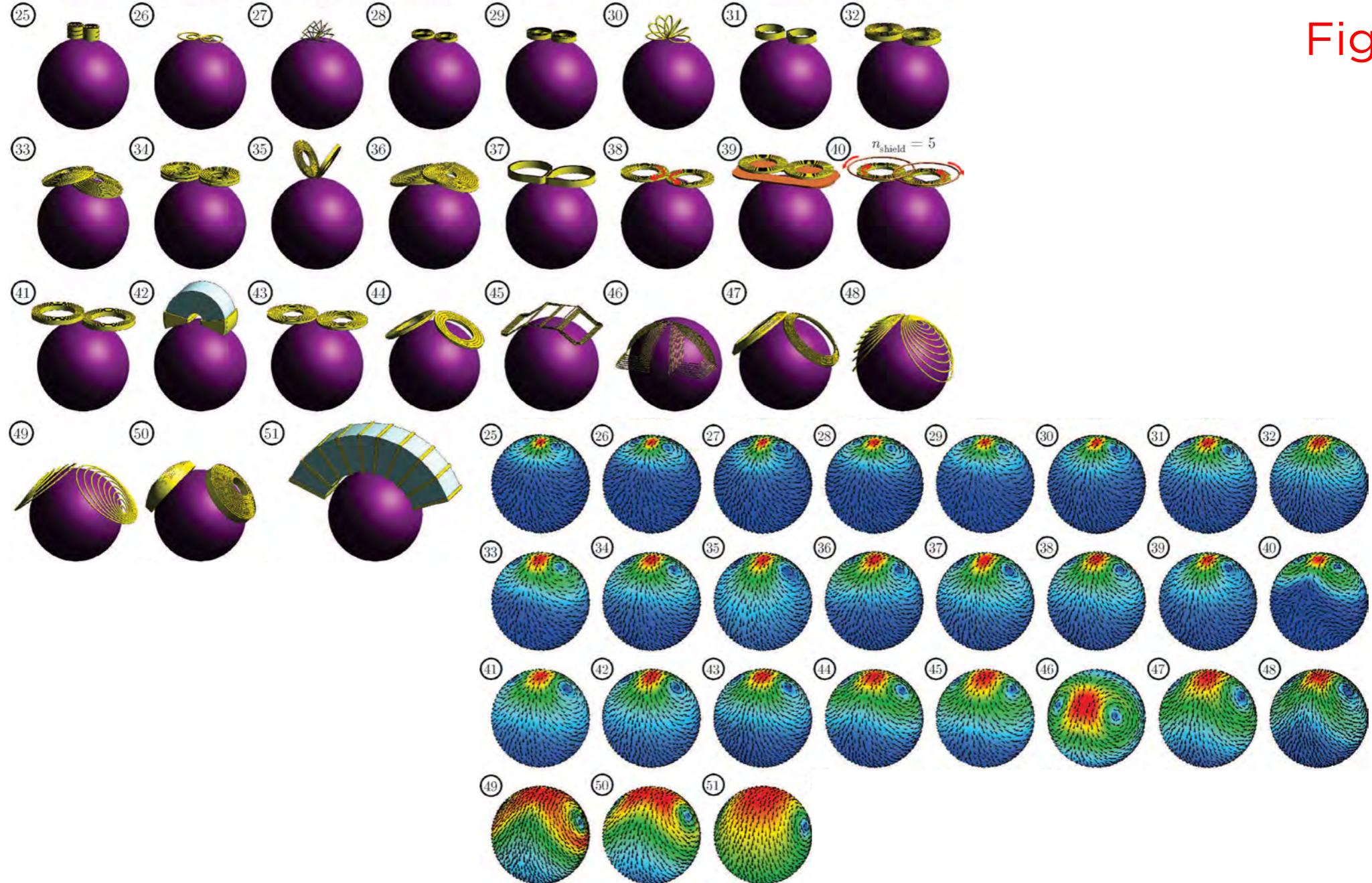
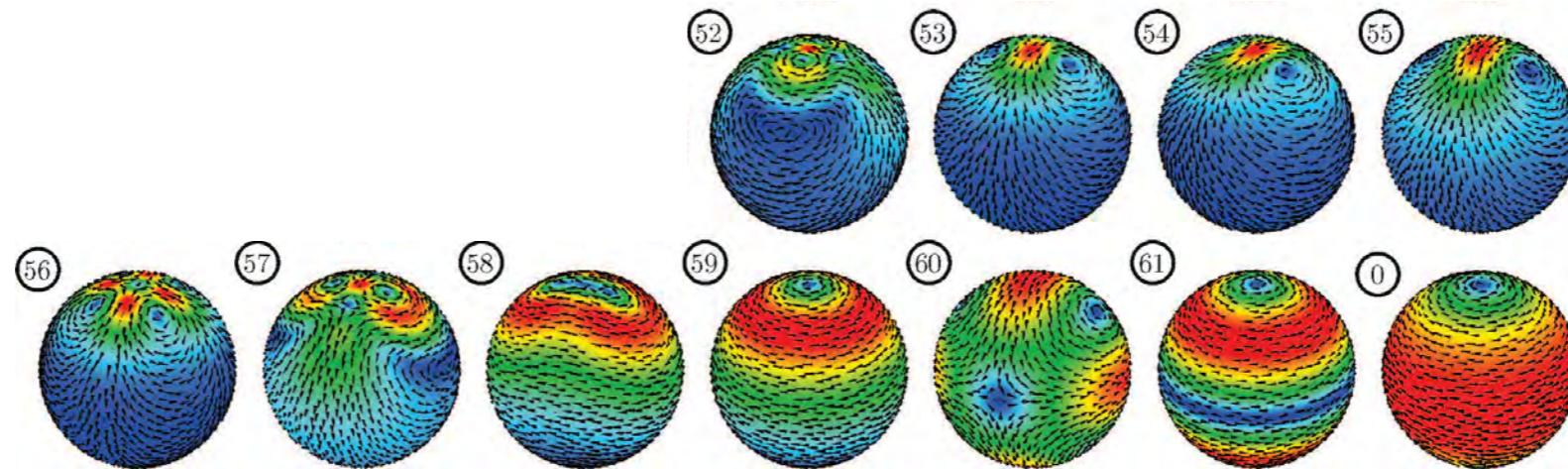
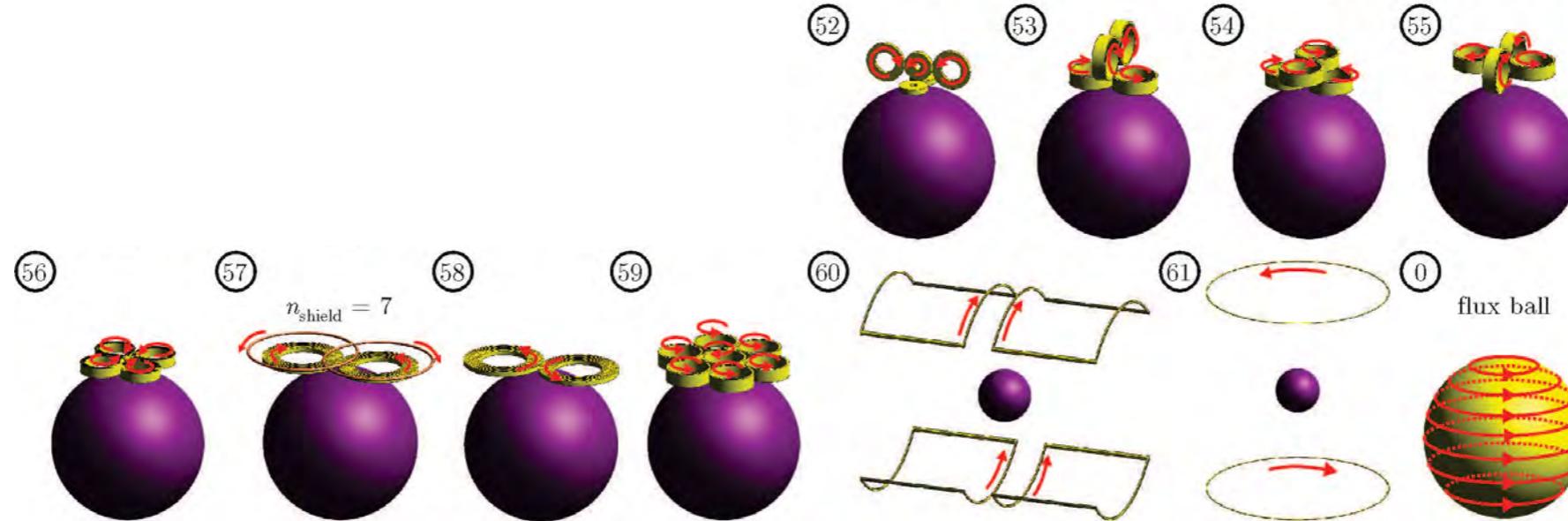
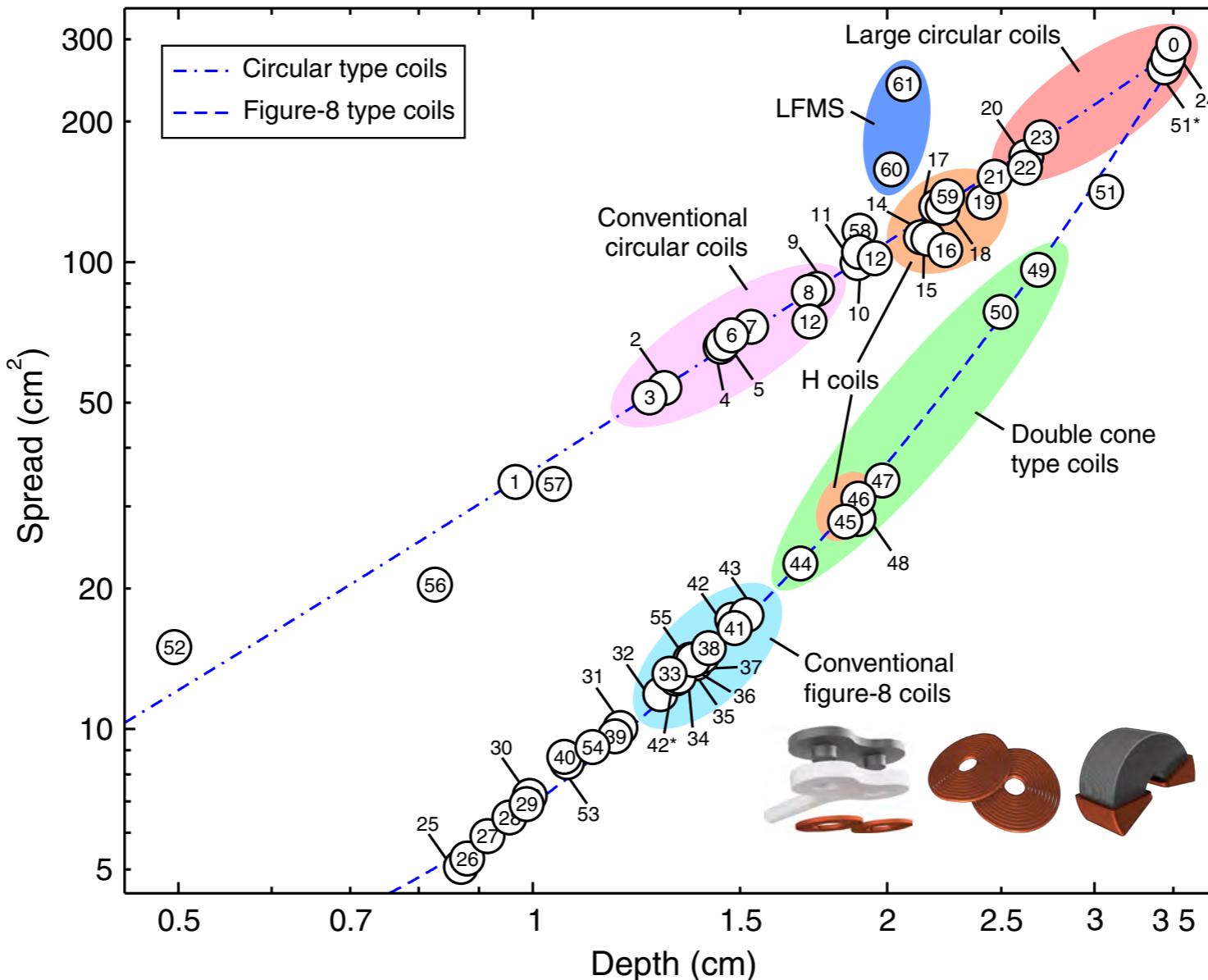


Figure-8 type



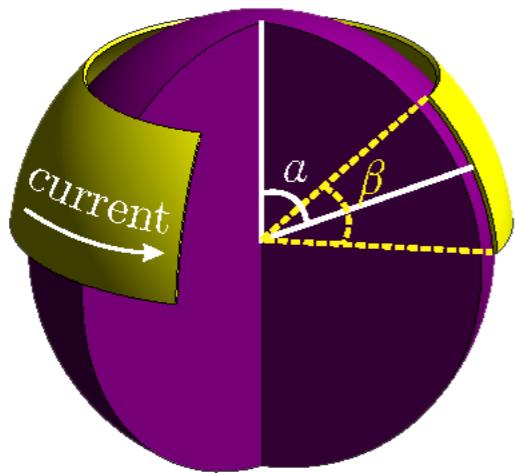


Depth-focality tradeoff

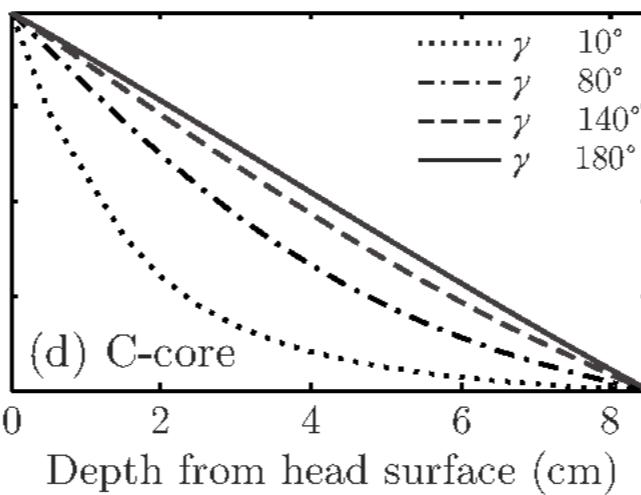
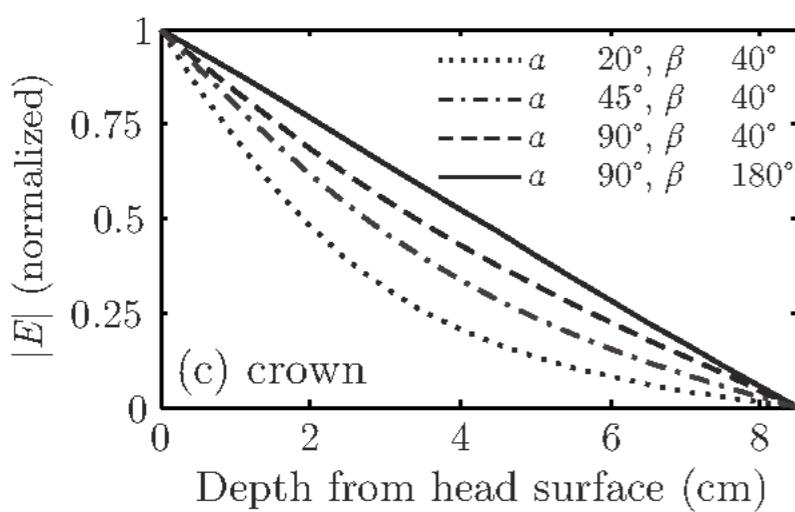
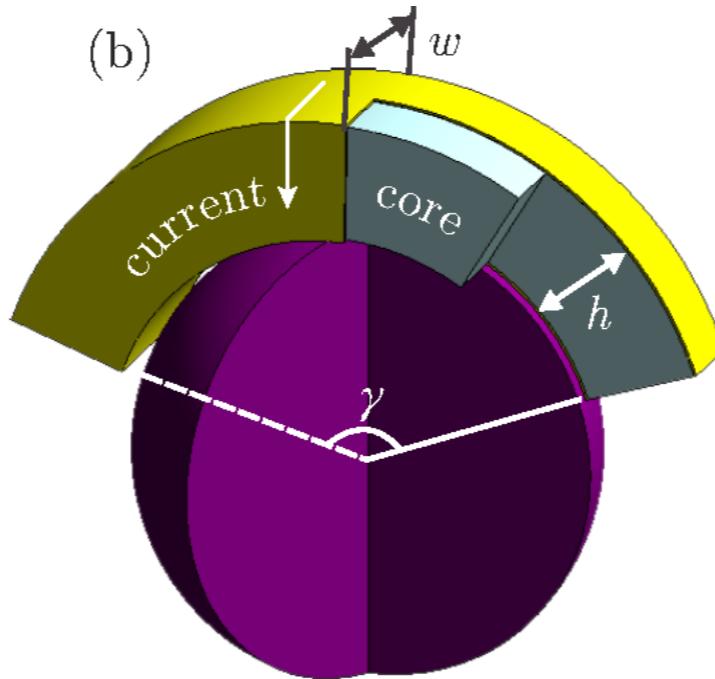


How deep can we get?

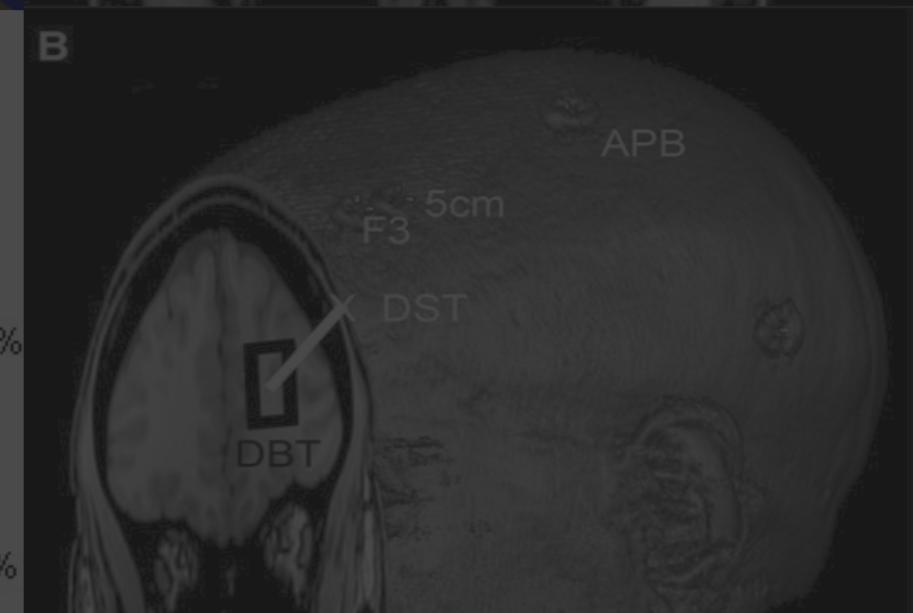
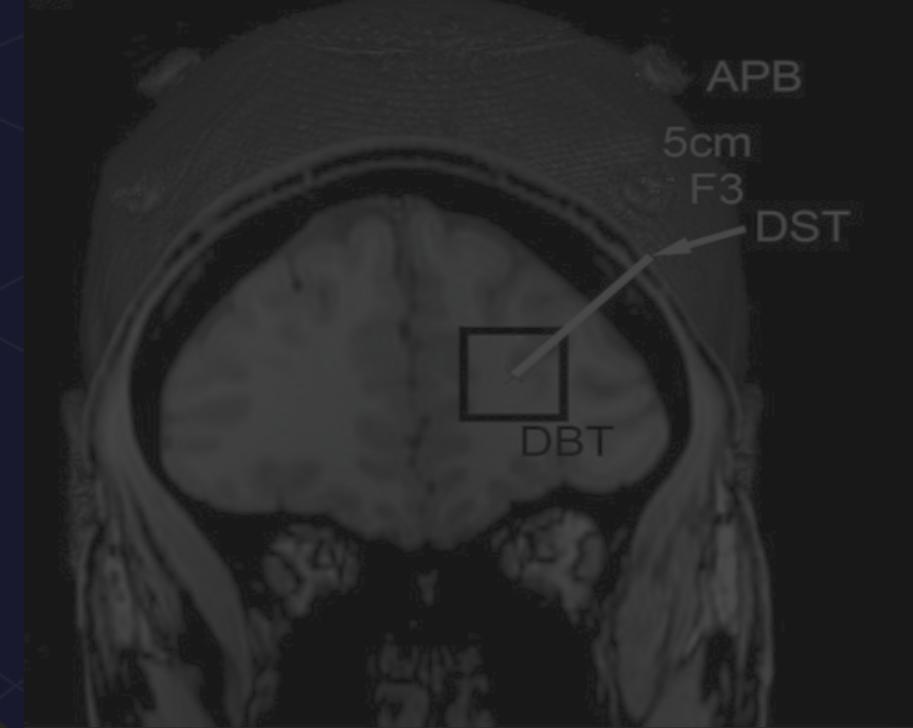
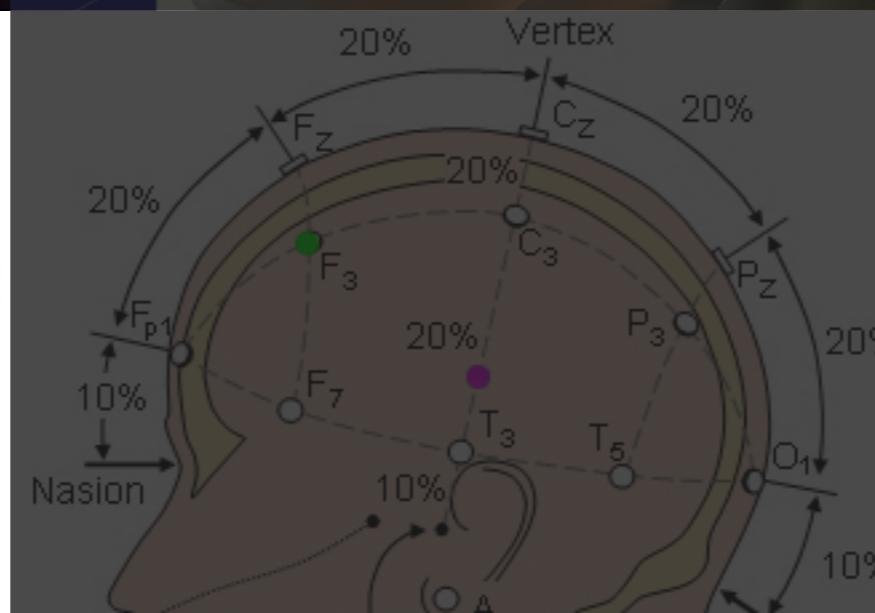
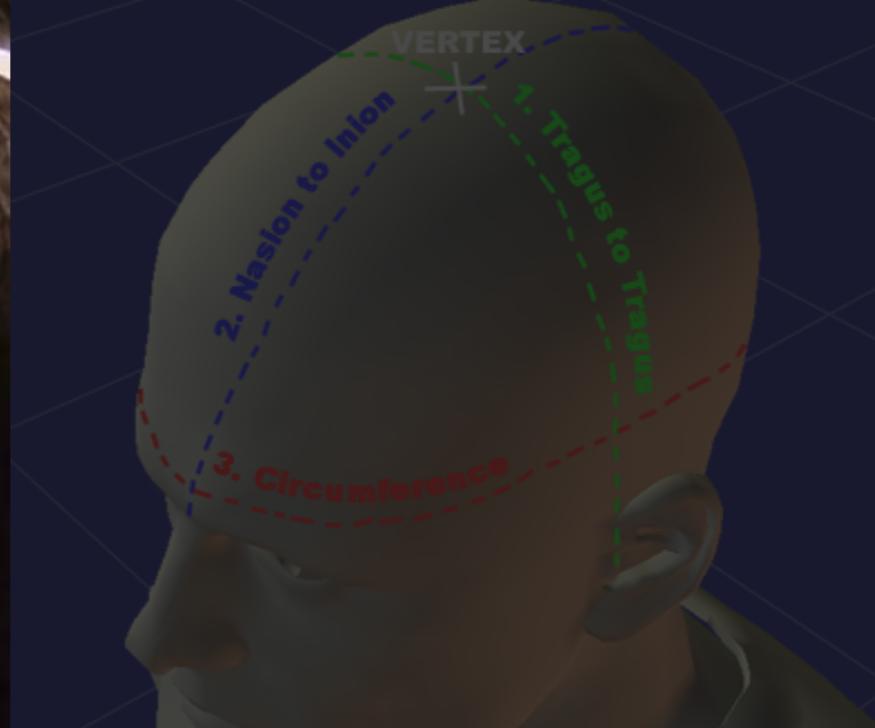
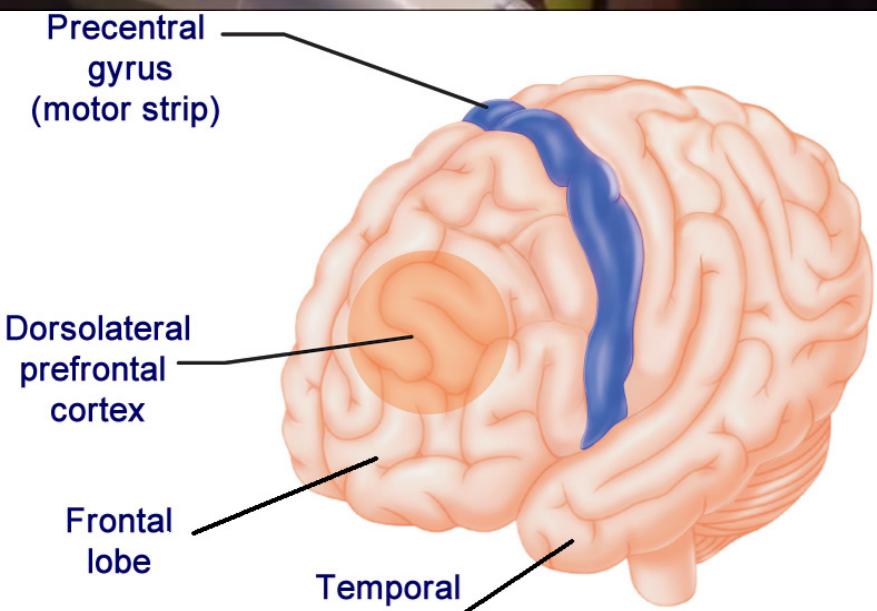
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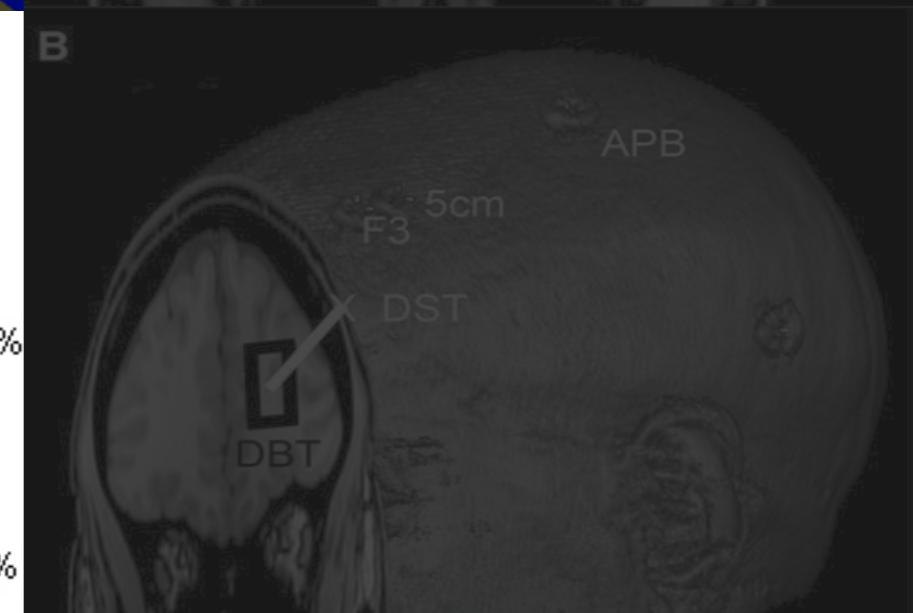
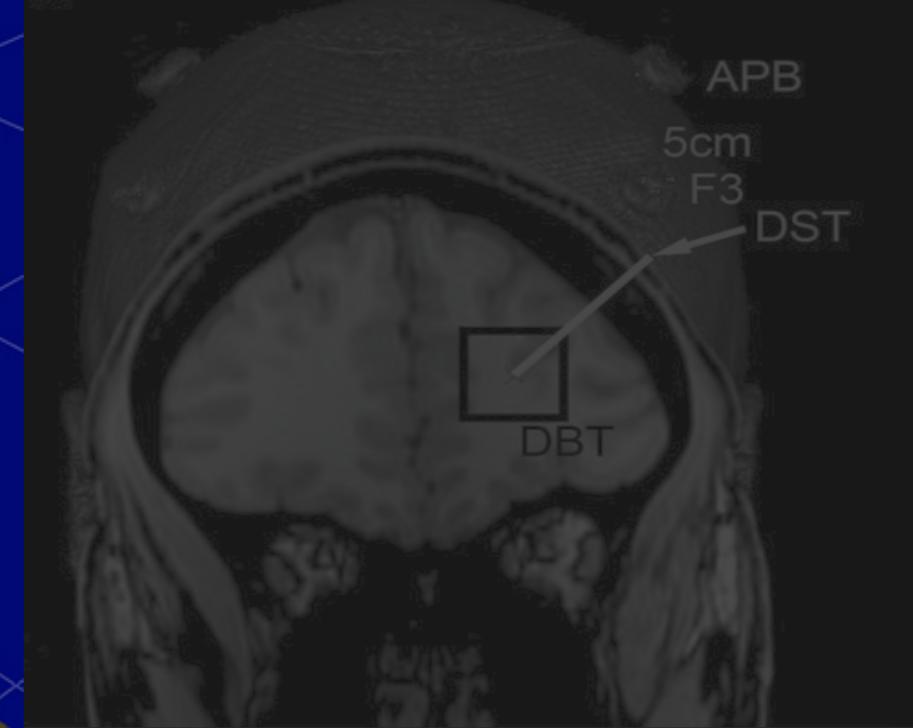
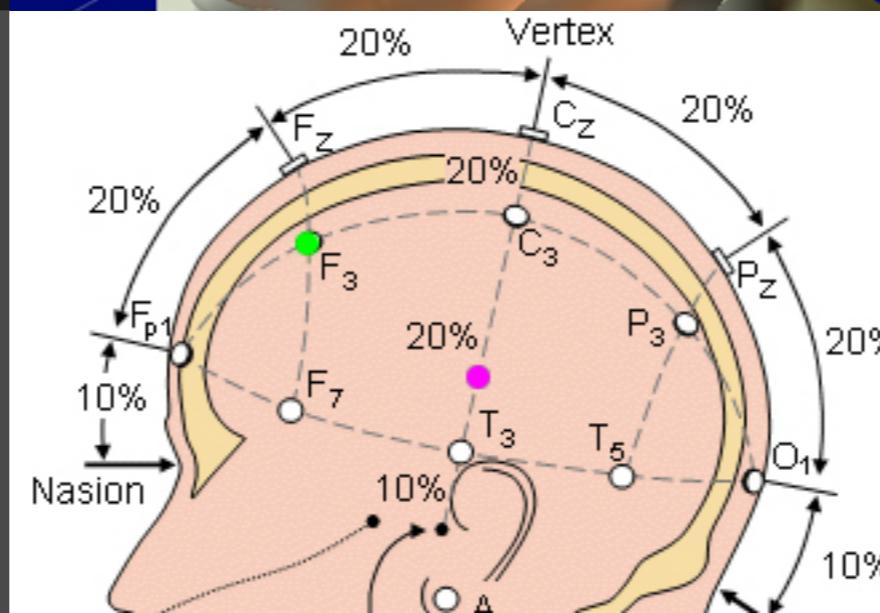
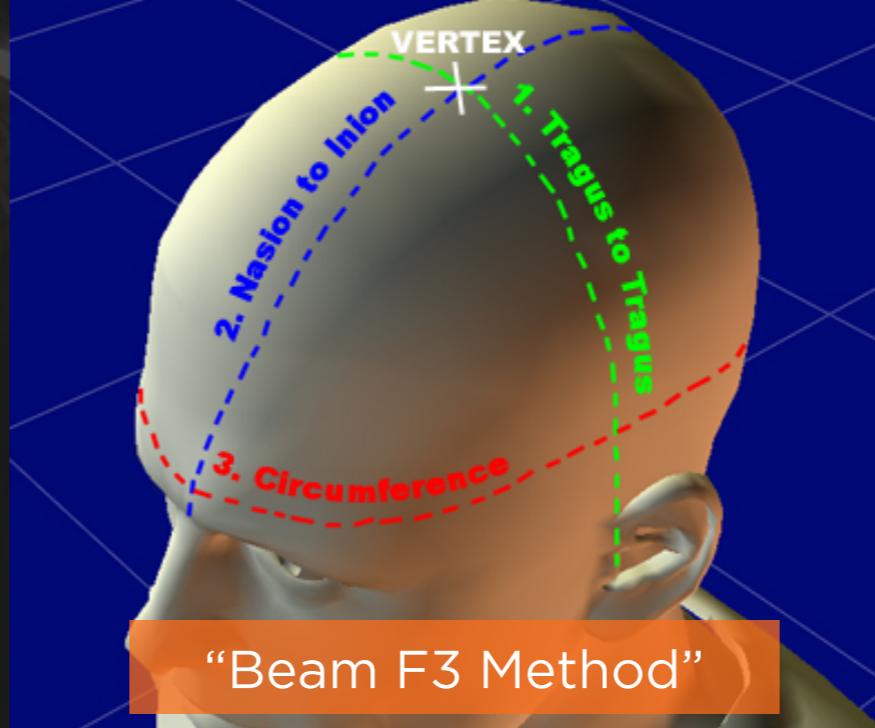
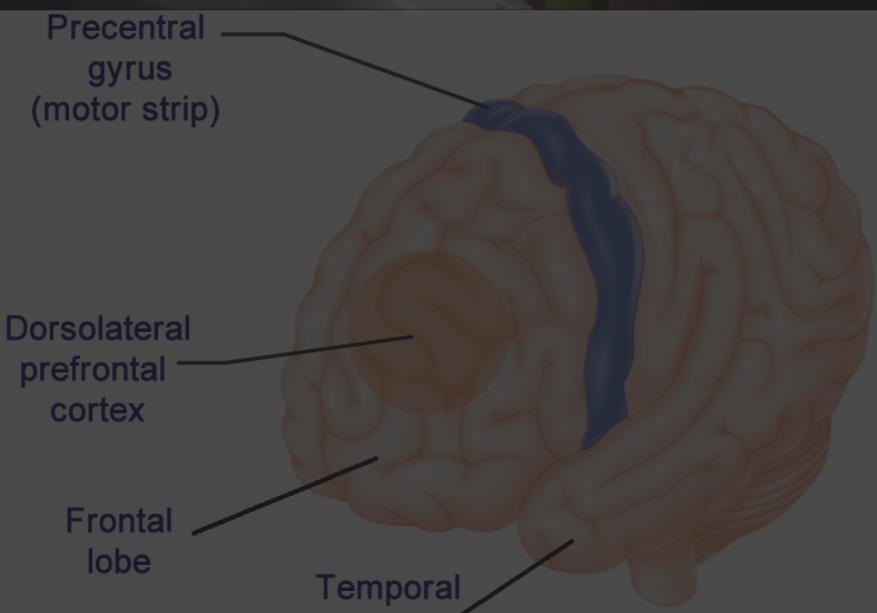


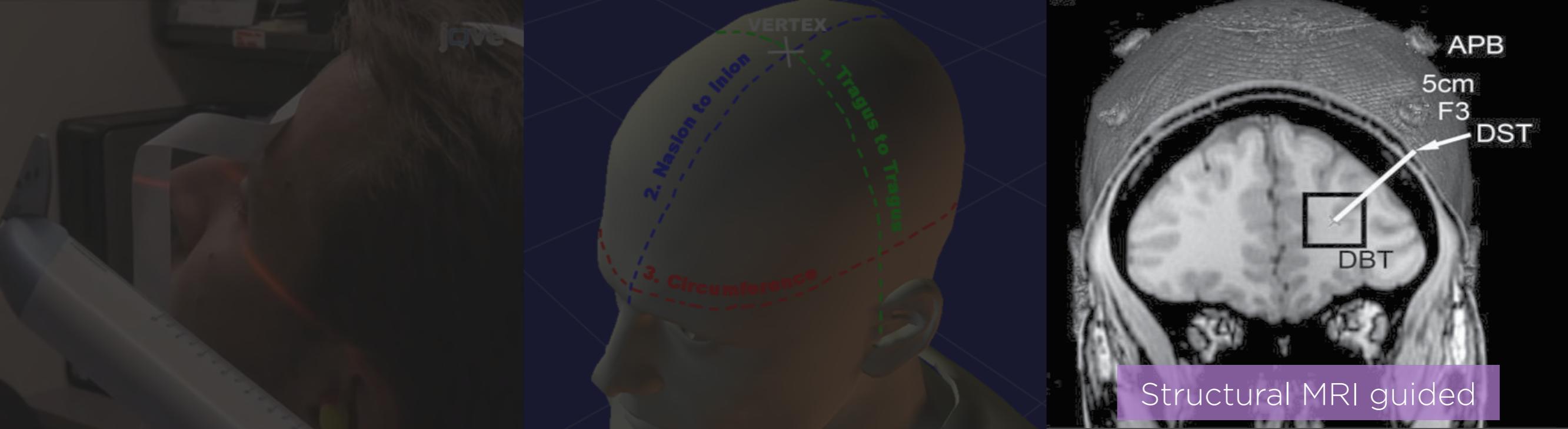
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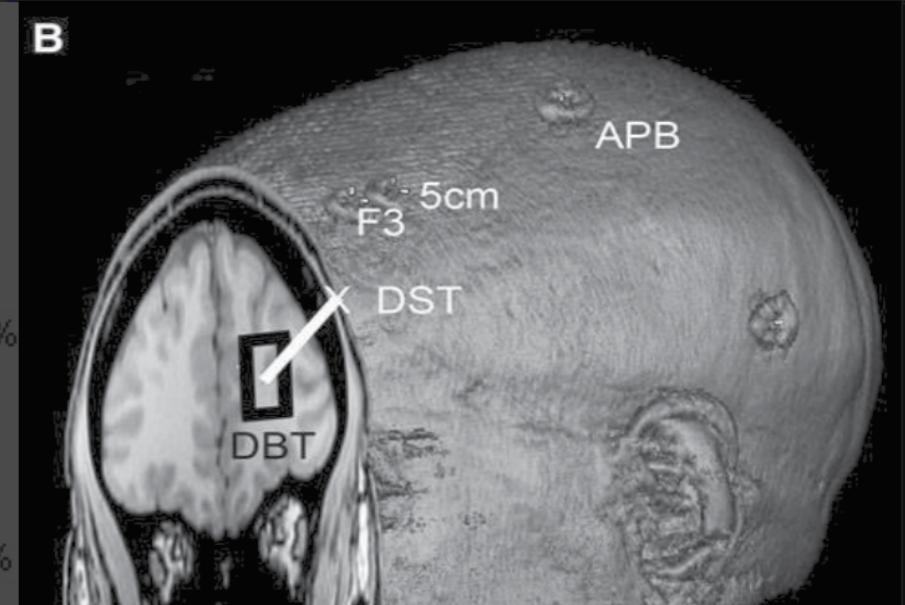
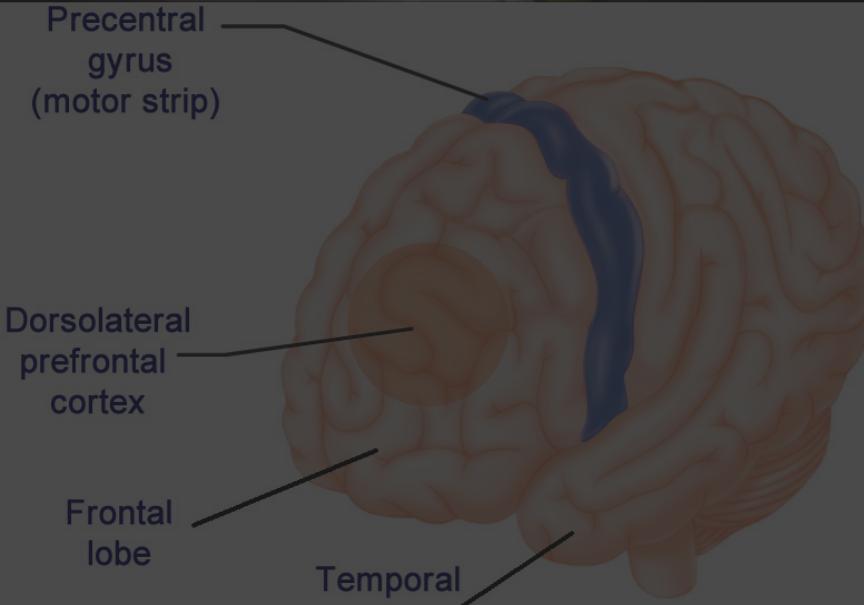
as coil size increases,
field decay becomes
linear



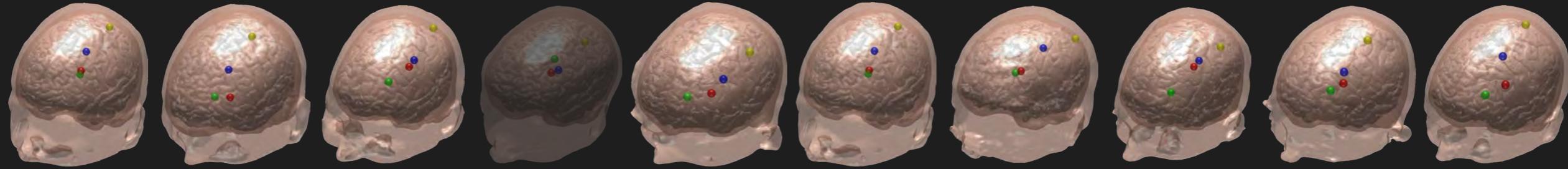




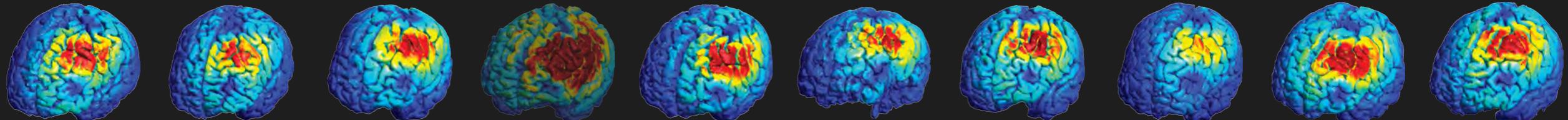
Structural MRI guided



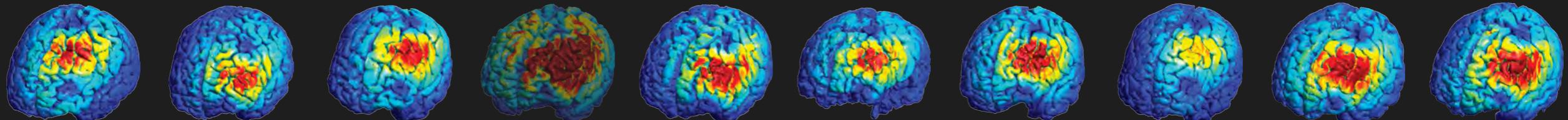
● motor hotspot



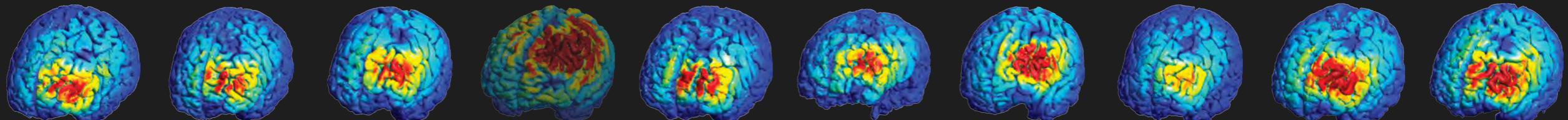
● 5 cm rule



● Beam F3



● MRI

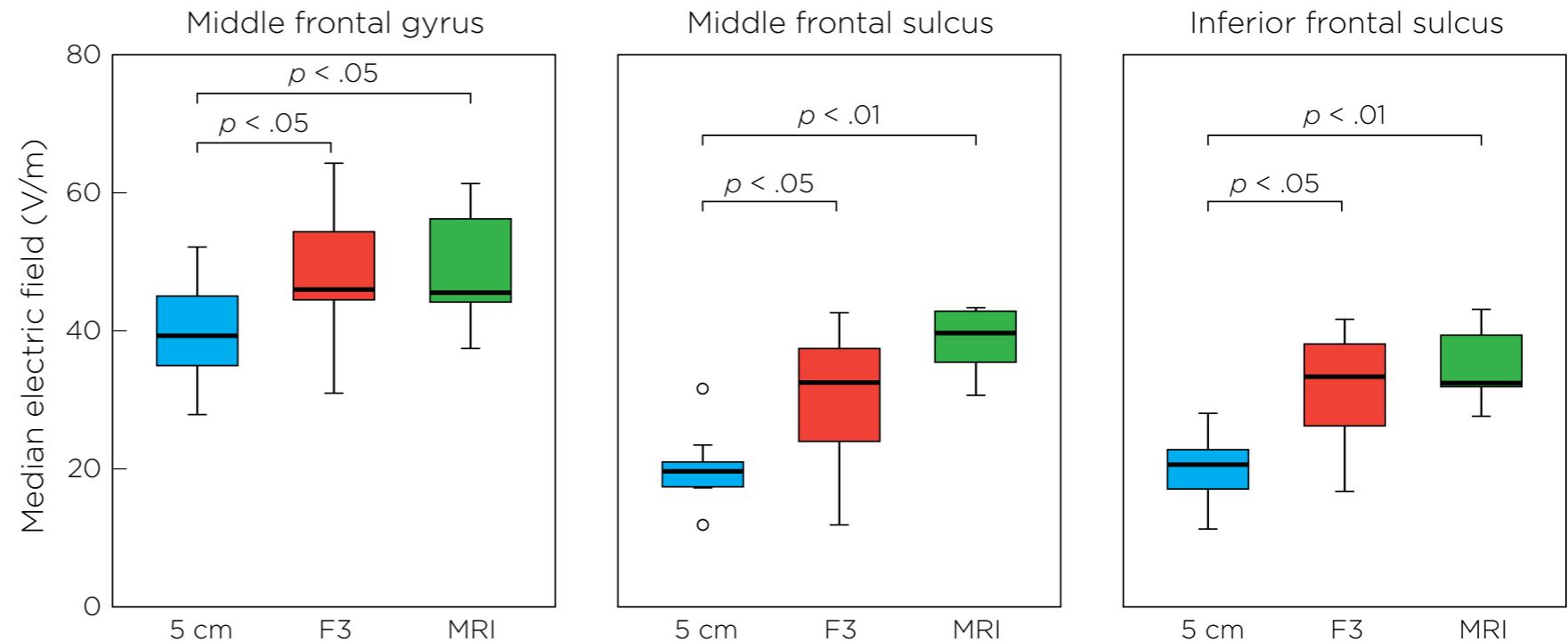


*dropped out



5-cm rule consistently
underdoses DLPFC

The clinical standard
is suboptimal



Cornell study

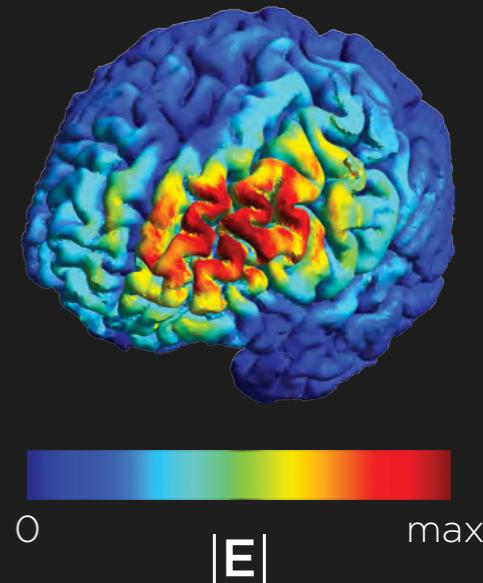
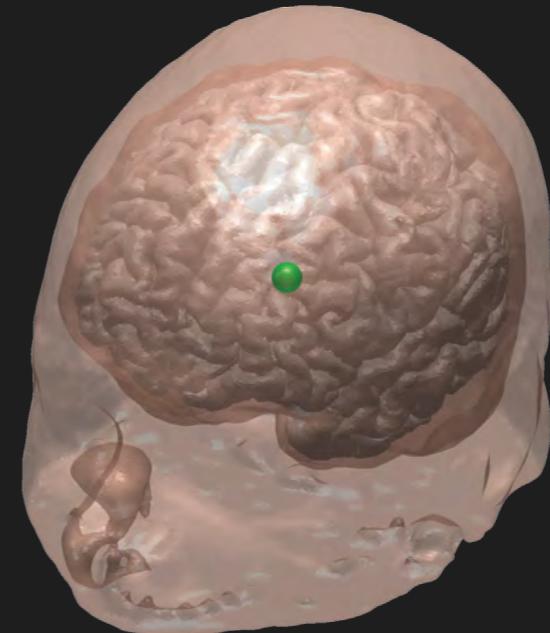
26 depressed patients (age 21-68)

Standard 10 Hz rTMS protocol at the F3 target

T1-weighted MRI & DTI acquired when 7 days
prior to treatment course

Motor threshold determined by visualization of
movement at baseline

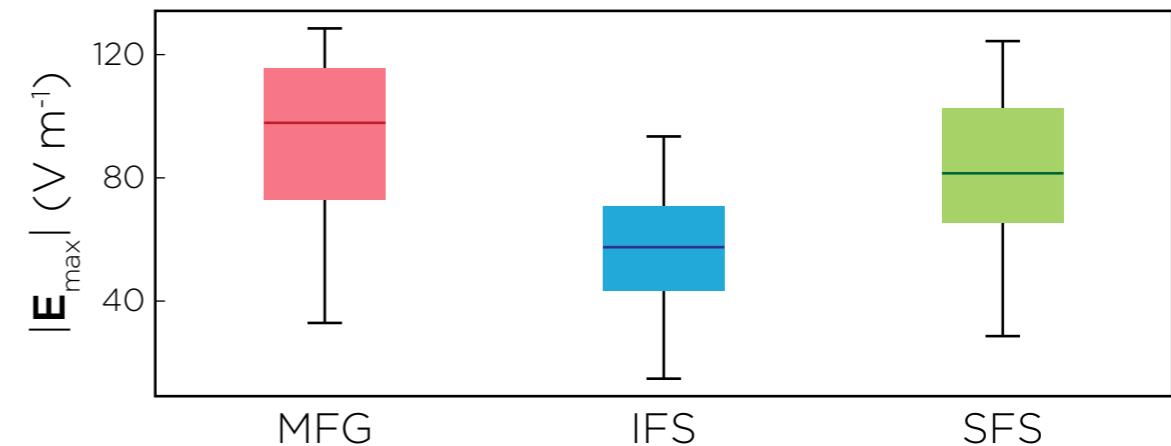
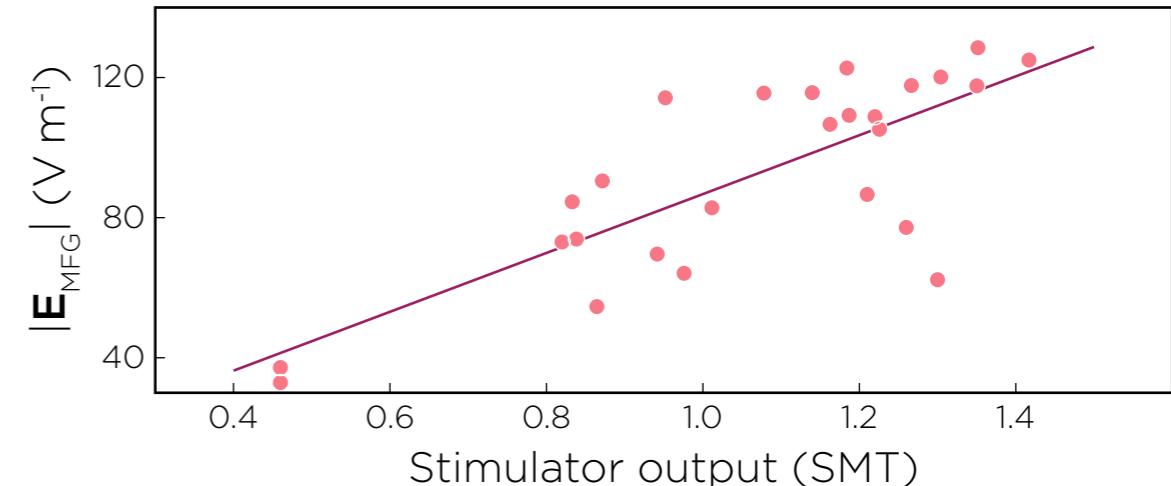
FEM head models constructed using SimNIBS
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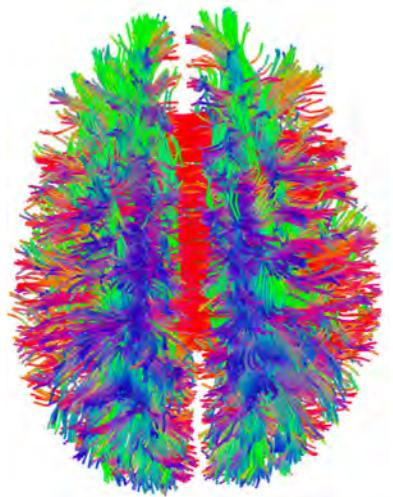
Considerable variability in E-field
IQR E_{MFG} : ~40–120 V/m

... although, not everyone was administered the full dose of 120%MT

E-field strengths at MFG, IFG, and SFG were **not correlated** with change in HAMD-24



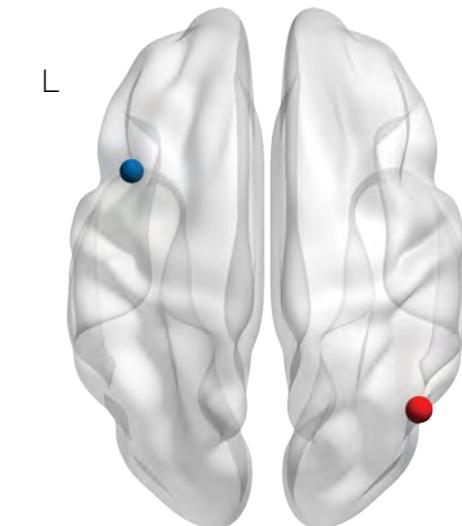
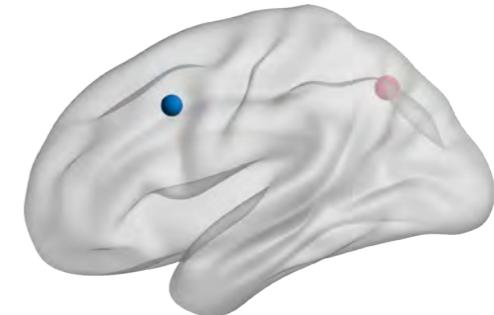
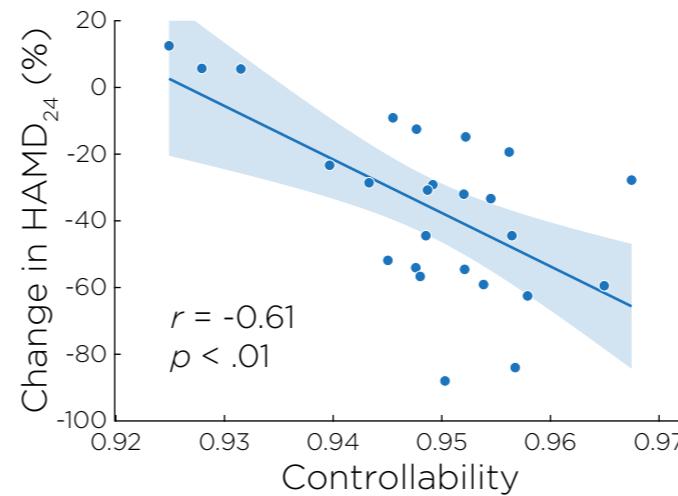
Controllability correlates with TMS treatment response



$$\mathbf{x}[k+1] = \mathbf{Ax}[k] + \mathbf{Bu}[k]$$

$$y[k] = \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{x}[k]$$

$$\phi_i = \sum_{j=1}^N \left(1 - \lambda_j^2(A)\right) v_{ij}^2$$

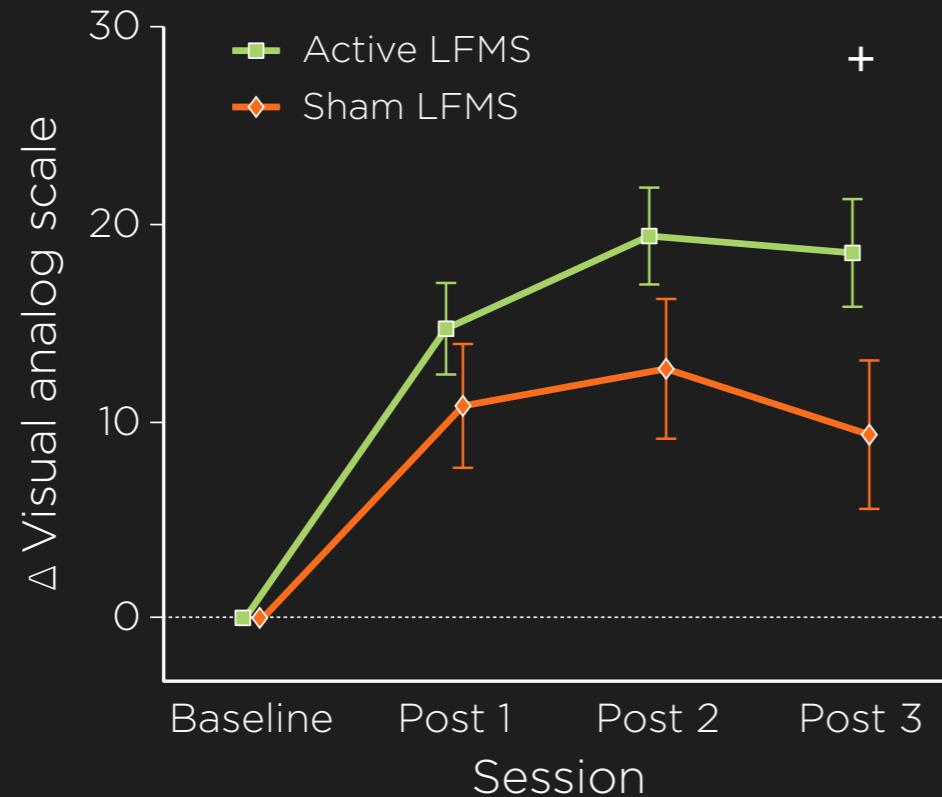


Low field magnetic stimulation

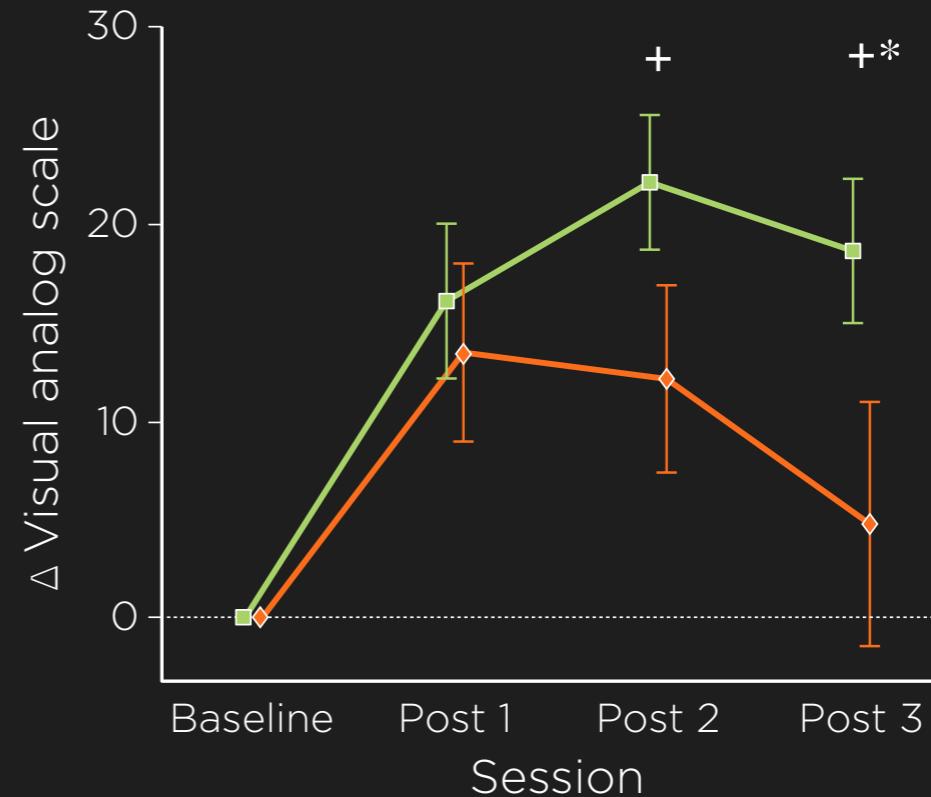


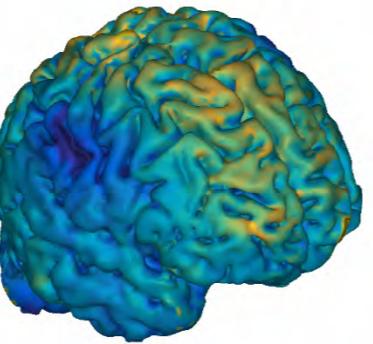
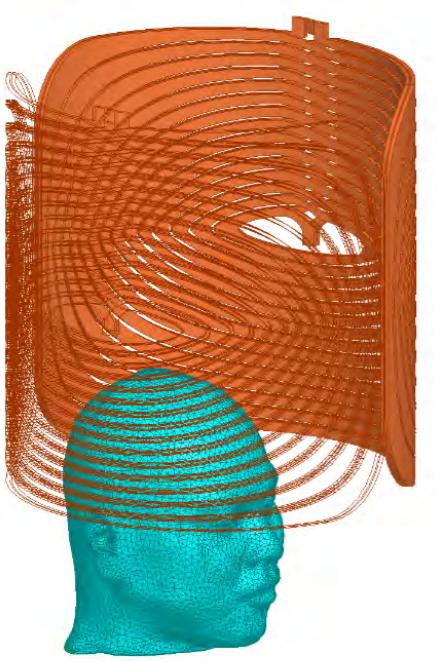
LFMS: clinical results

A. Intent to treat (n = 65)



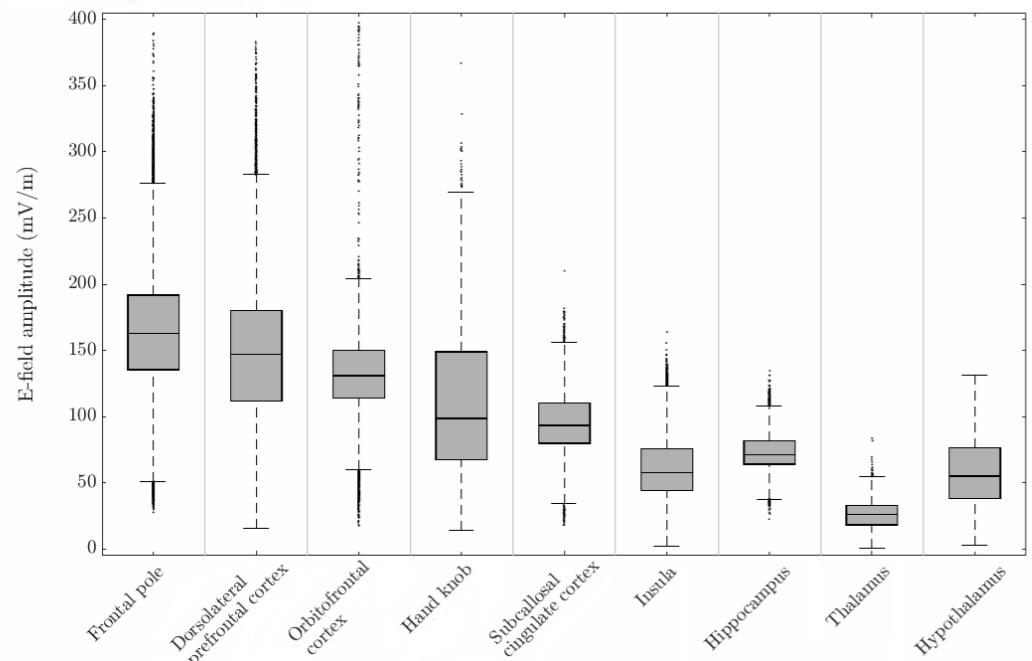
B. Per protocol (n = 30)

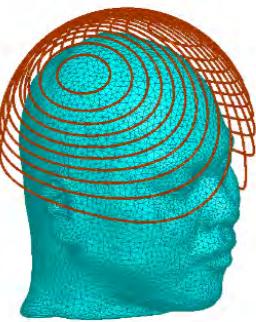
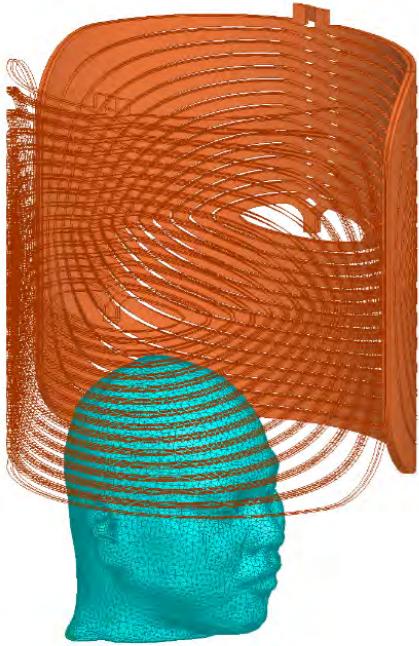




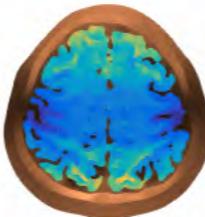
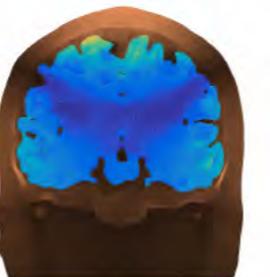
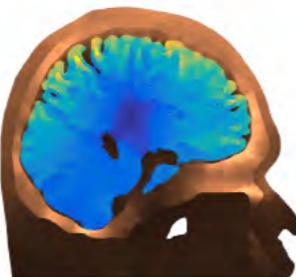
LFMS: electric field

Coil current amplitude = 28.5 A

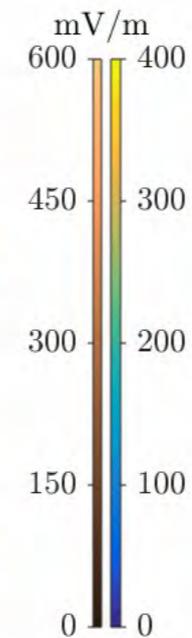
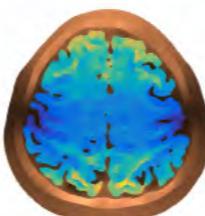
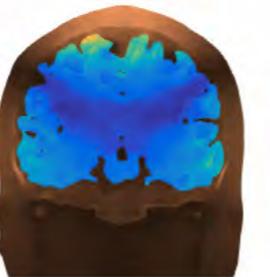
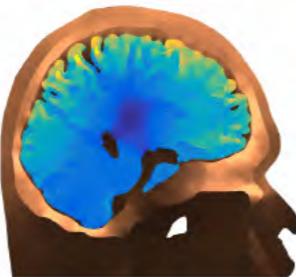




Standard coil

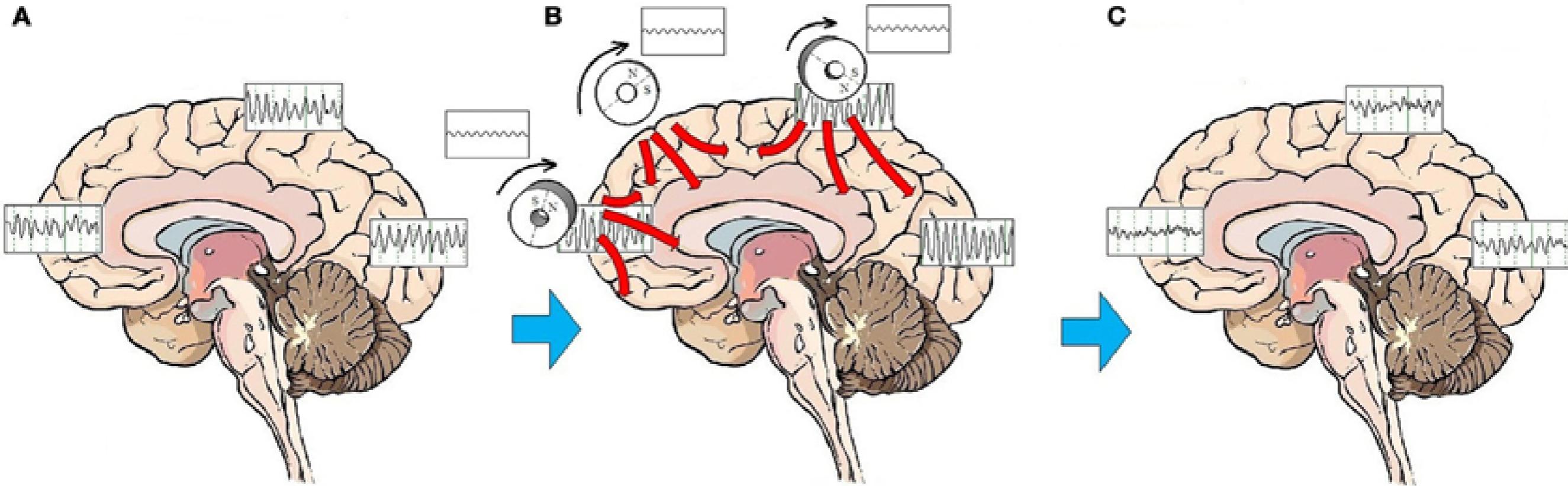


Cap coil



LFMS:
equivalent coil

Synchronized transcranial magnetic stimulation (sTMS)



- § Synchronized stimulation to individual alpha frequency (IAF)
- § Entrainment alpha oscillations in frontal polar, frontal, parietal brain regions
- § Resetting of cortical oscillators

sTMS model setup

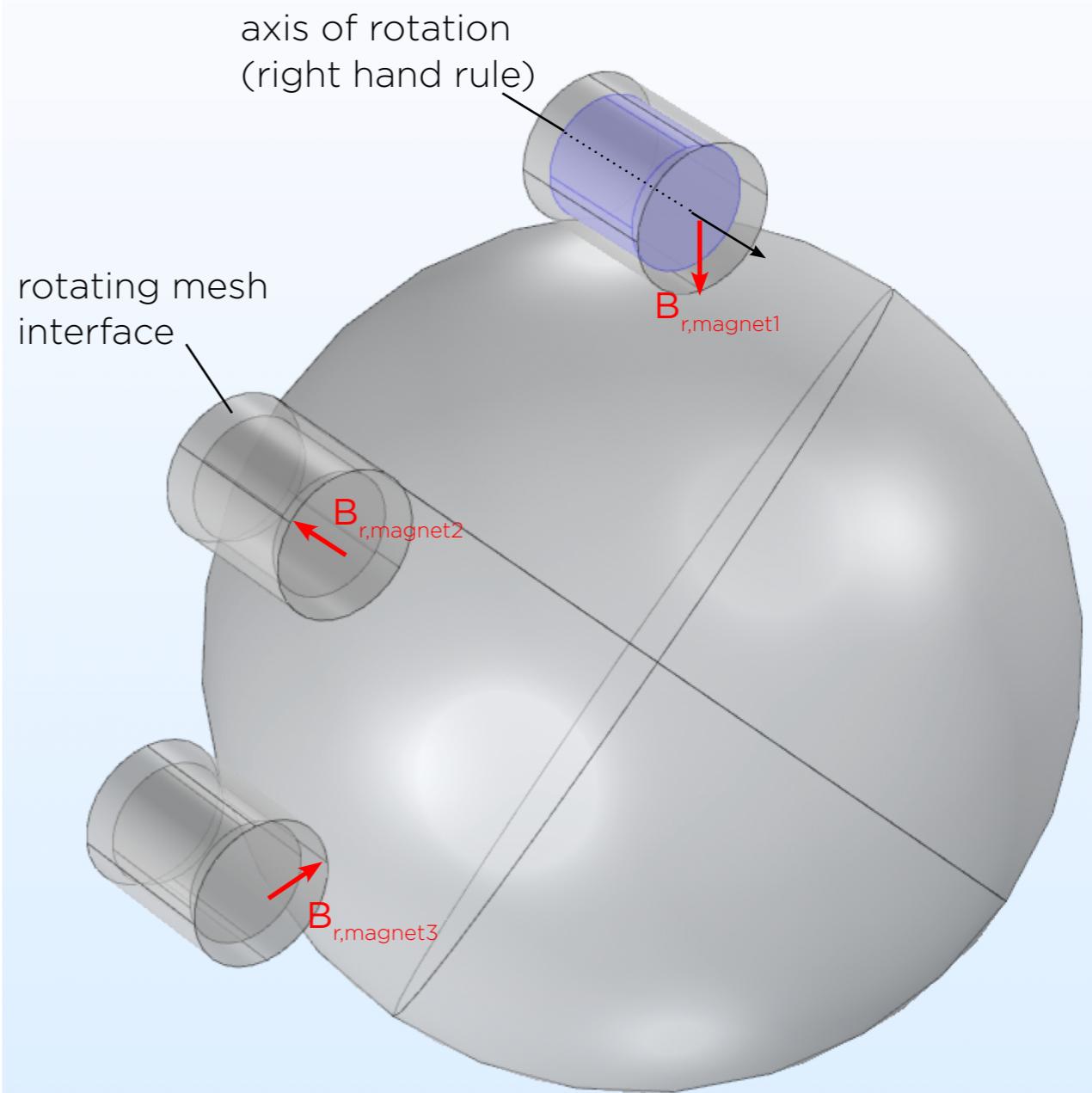
Time-dependent 3D problem

Conductive part of the rotor is modeling using Ampère's law:

$$\sigma \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} + \nabla \times \left(\frac{1}{\mu} \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \right) = 0$$

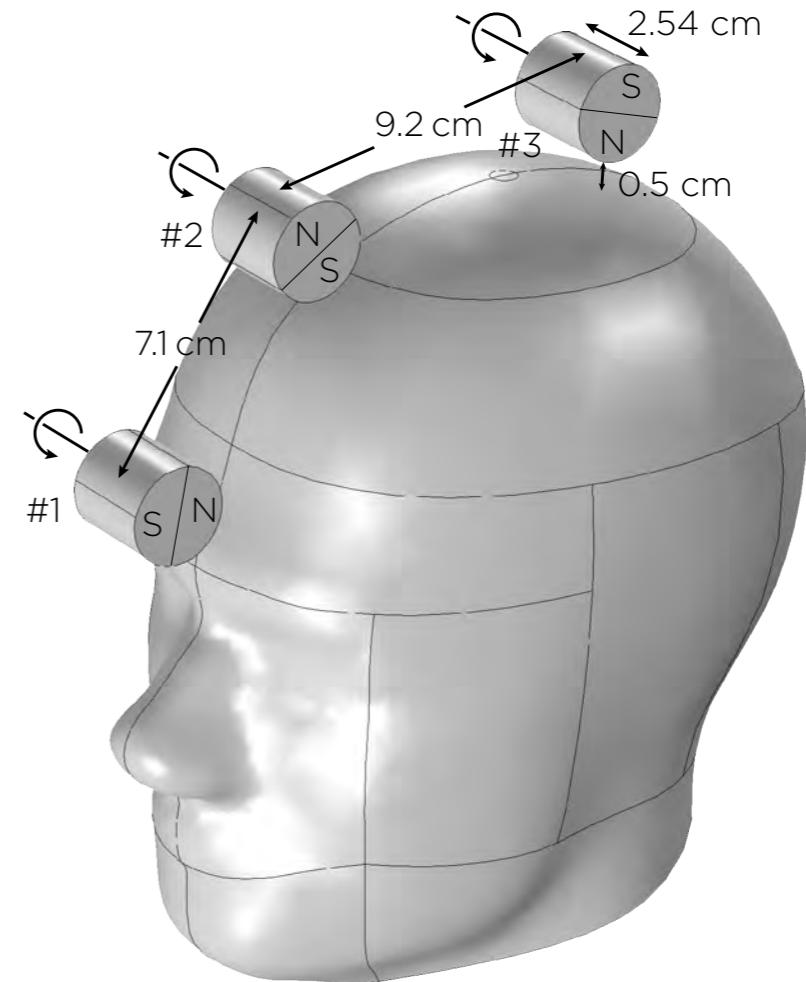
Nonconductive parts of both the rotor and stator are modeled using a magnetic flux conservation equation for the scalar magnetic potential:

$$-\nabla \cdot (\mu \nabla V_m - \mathbf{B}_r) = 0$$



sTMS: SAM head model

- § Three cylindrical, neodymium magnets, 1 inch diameter and height
- § $B_r = 0.64 \text{ T}$
- § Diametrically magnetized
- § FEM implemented in COMSOL using IEEE SAM phantom (uniform 0.33 Sm^{-1})
- § Ampère's law applied to all domains
- § Magnetic flux conservation for scalar magnetic potential applied to current-free domains
- § Continuity in scalar magnetic potential enforced at rotor-statotor interface
- § Stationary solution first obtained using MUMPS direct solver, then time-dependent problem was solved



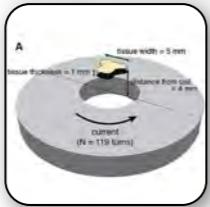
sTMS: full model





|E| 10^{-2} V m^{-1} 10^{-1} 1 10 10^2 10^3

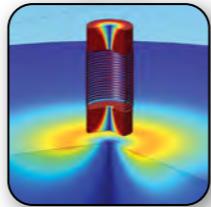
LFMS: *in vitro*



LFMS: human



μMS



LFMS: animal

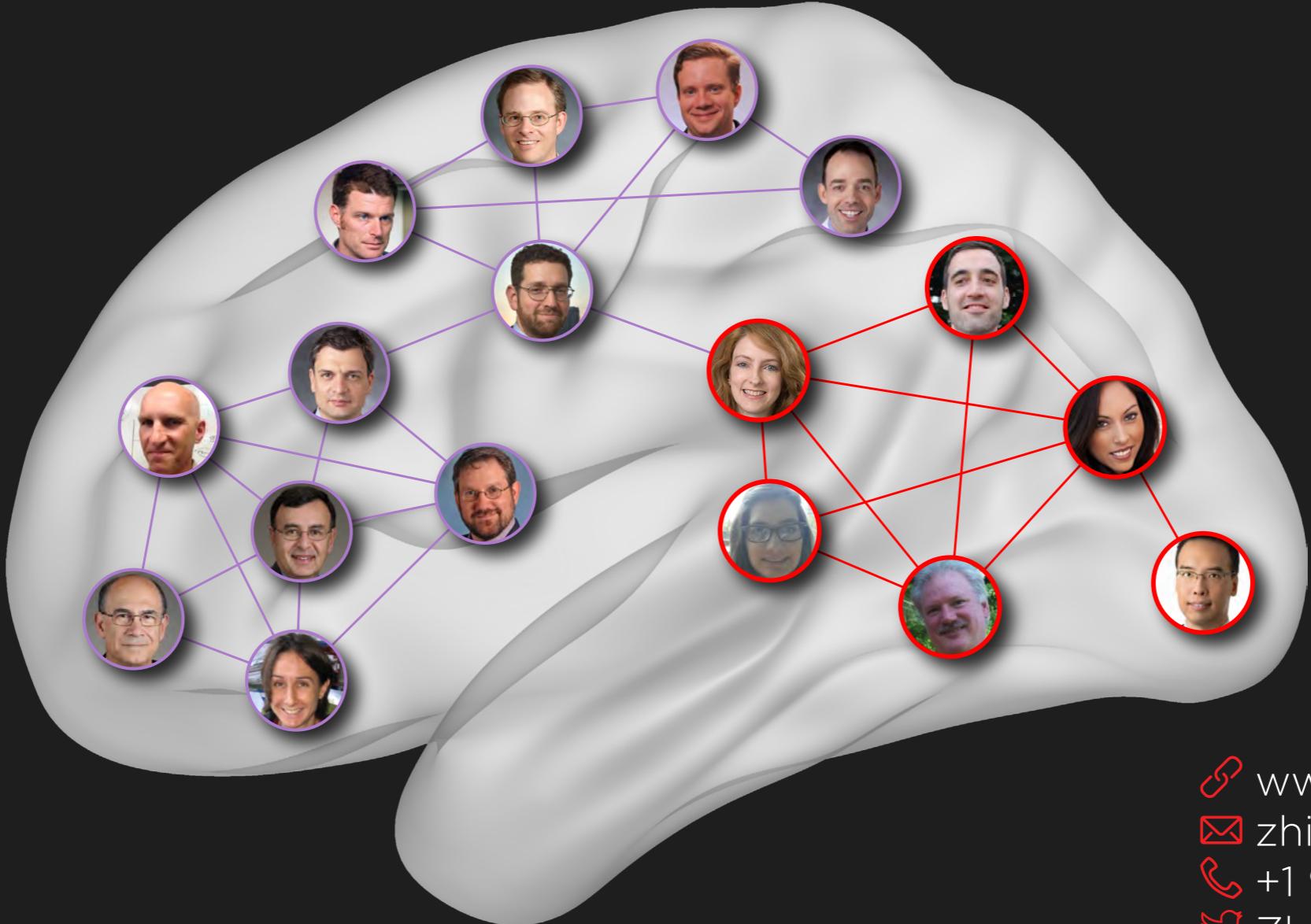


TMS



|B| 10^{-6} T 10^{-5} 10^{-4} 10^{-3} 10^{-2} 10^{-1} 1 10





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