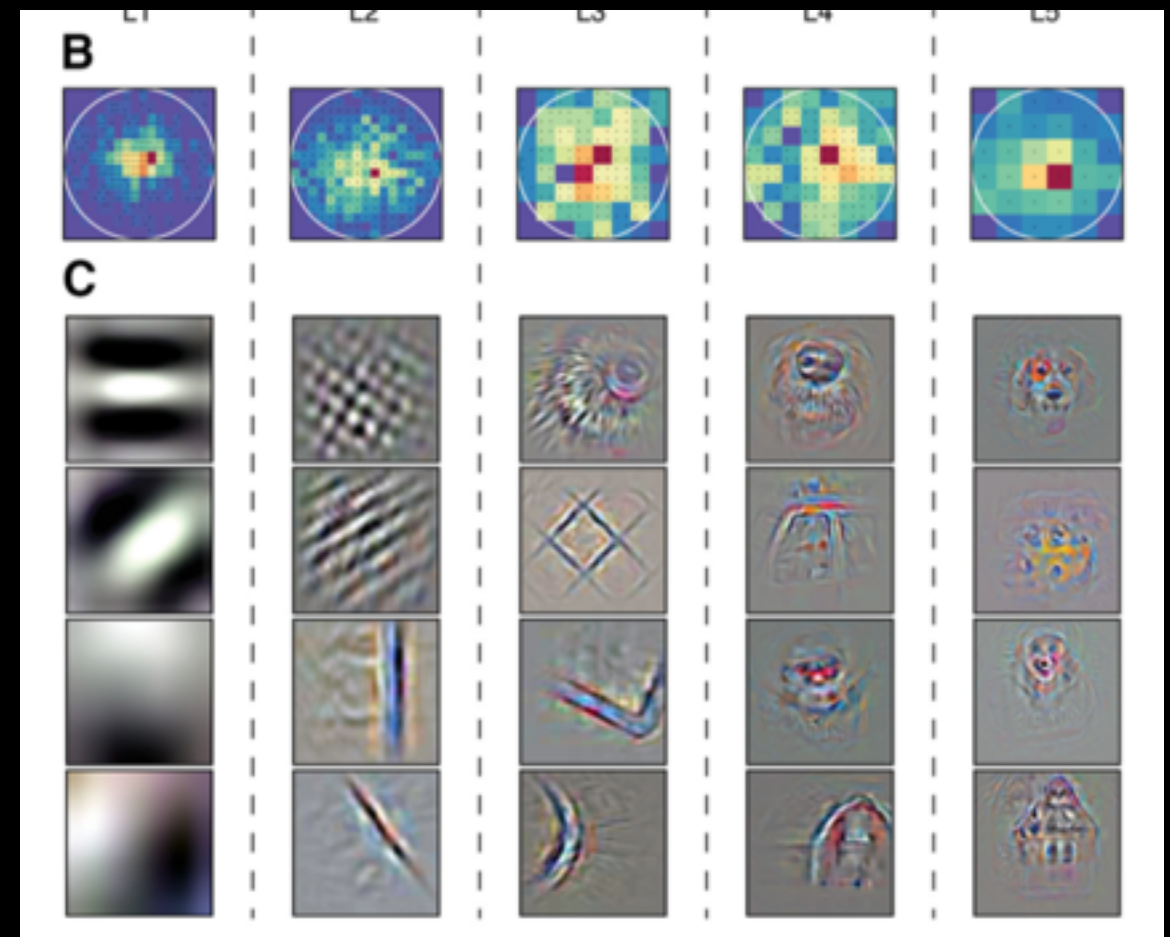
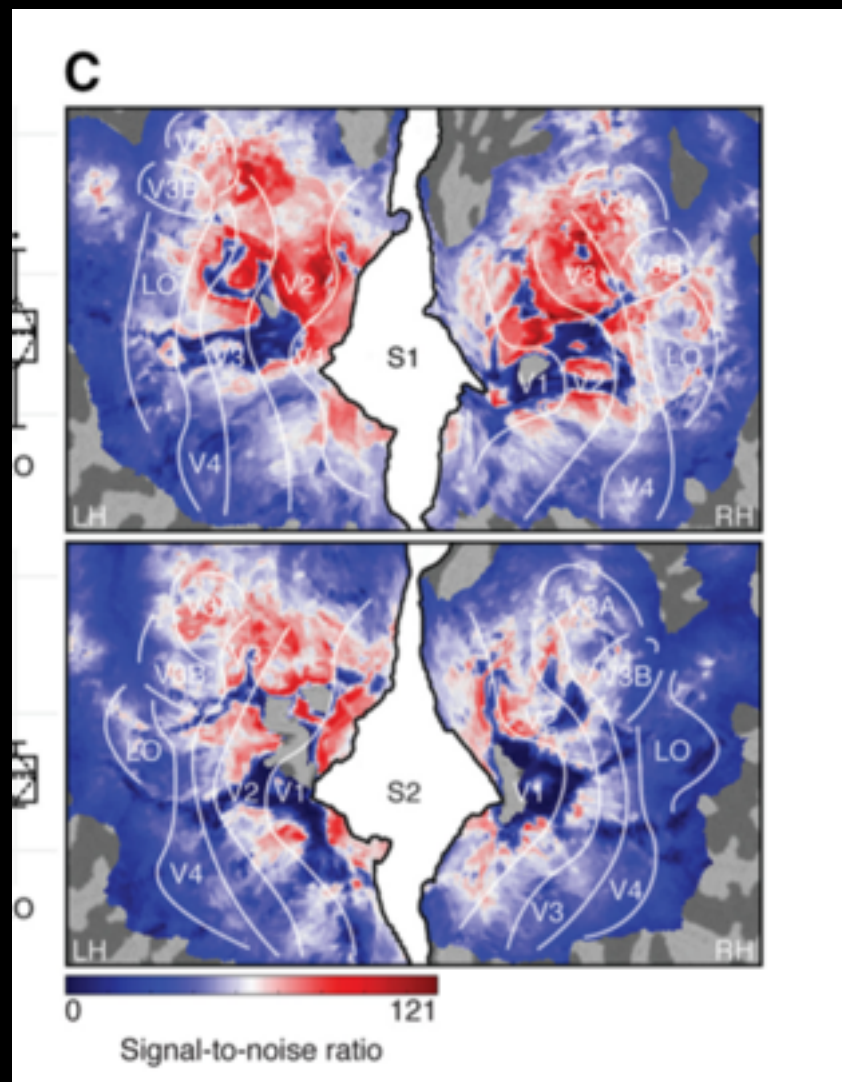


# Machine Learning applications in Cognitive Neuroscience and psychology



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10 May 2016

# Overview

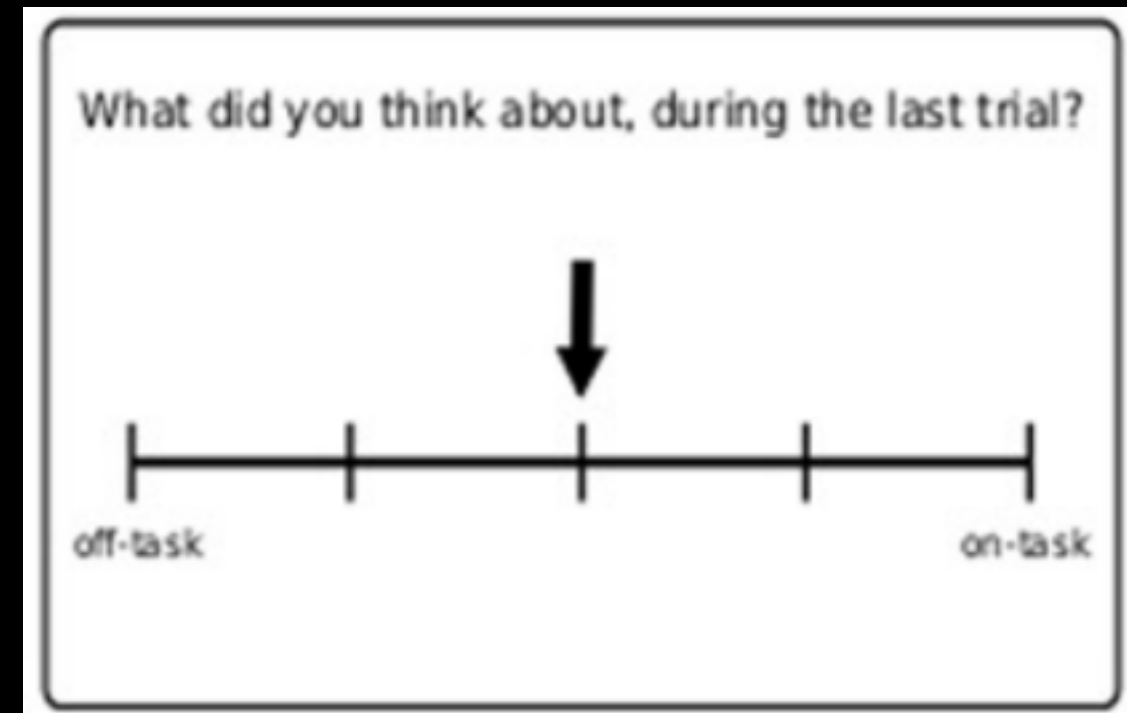
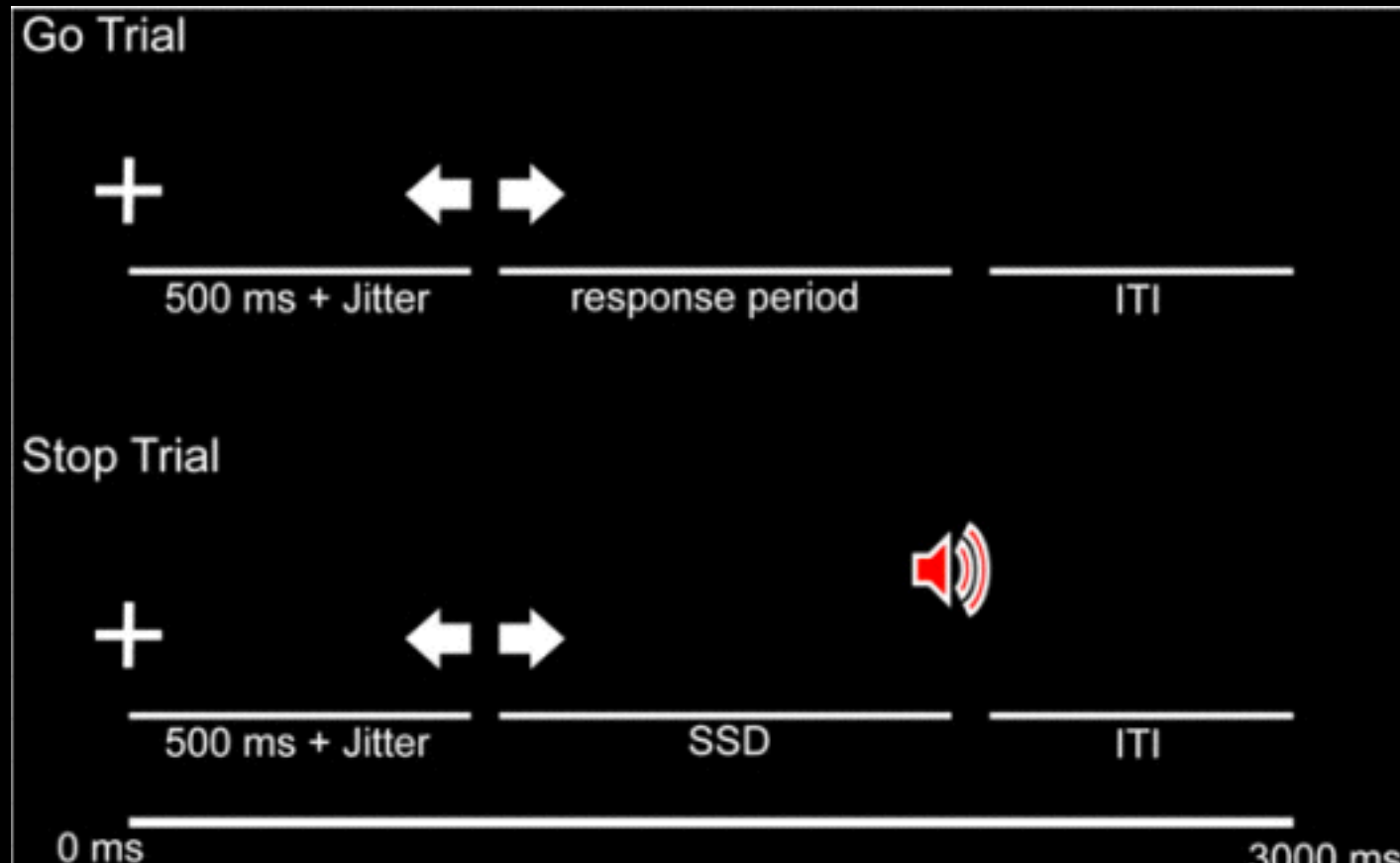
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  - Mechanistic model of visual cortex
  - Cognitive model of categorisation
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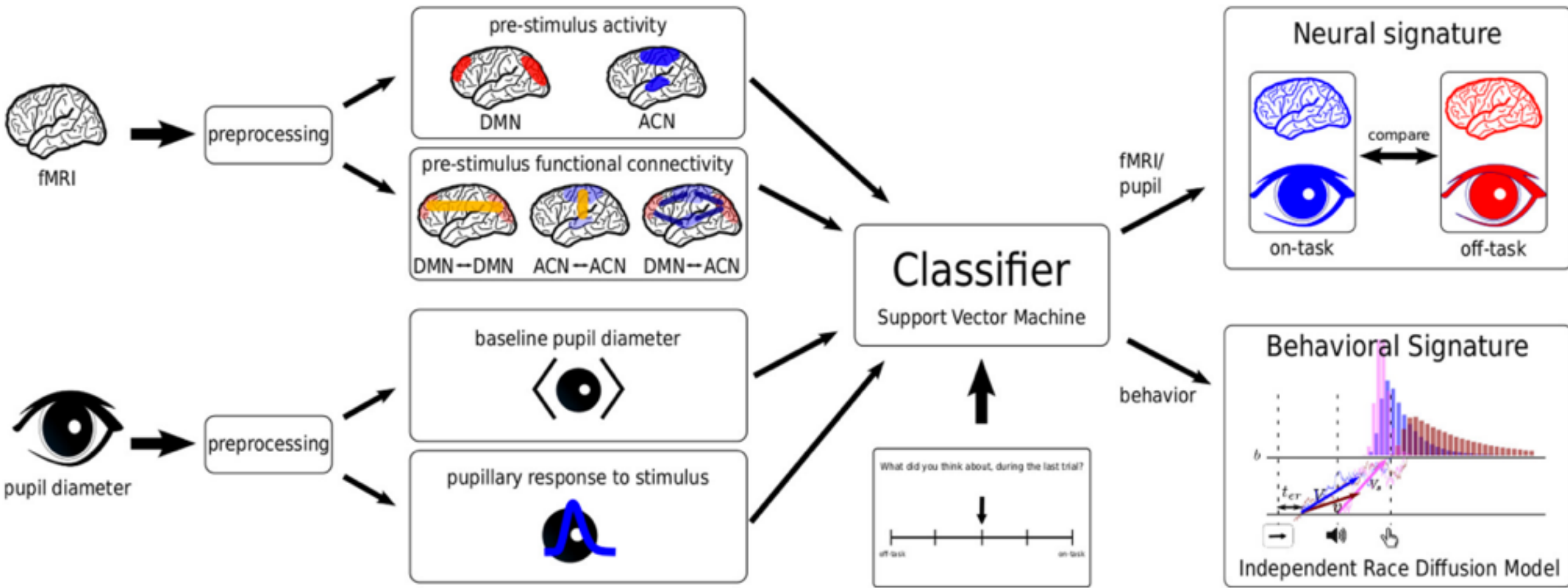
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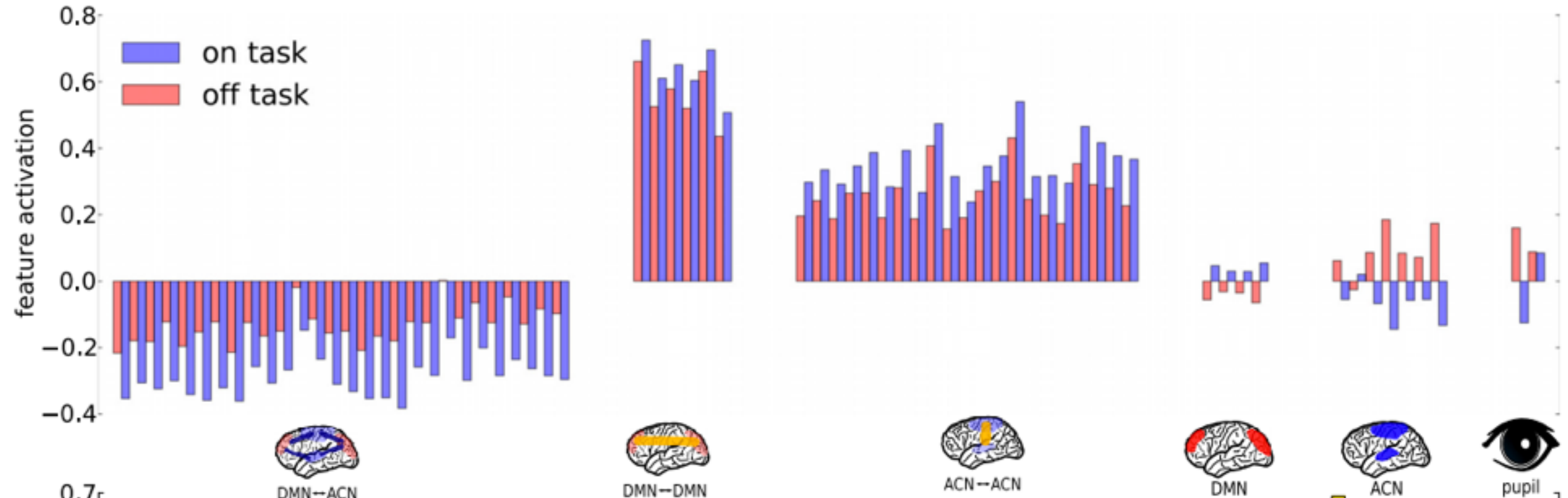
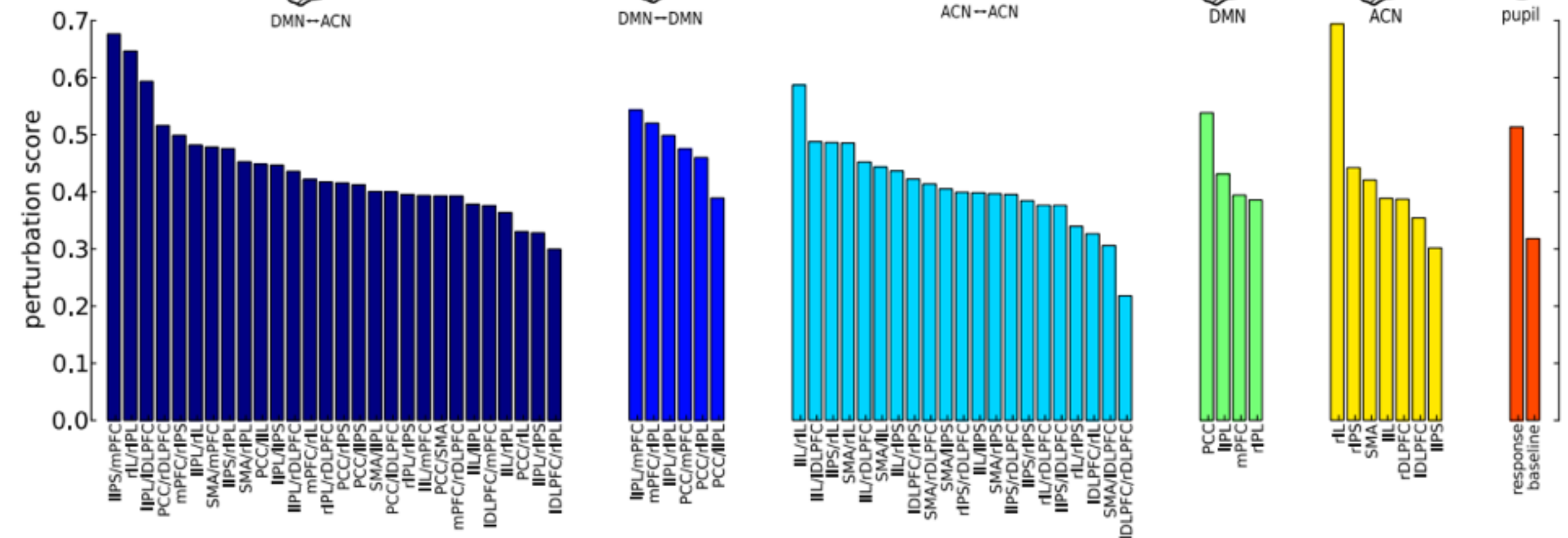
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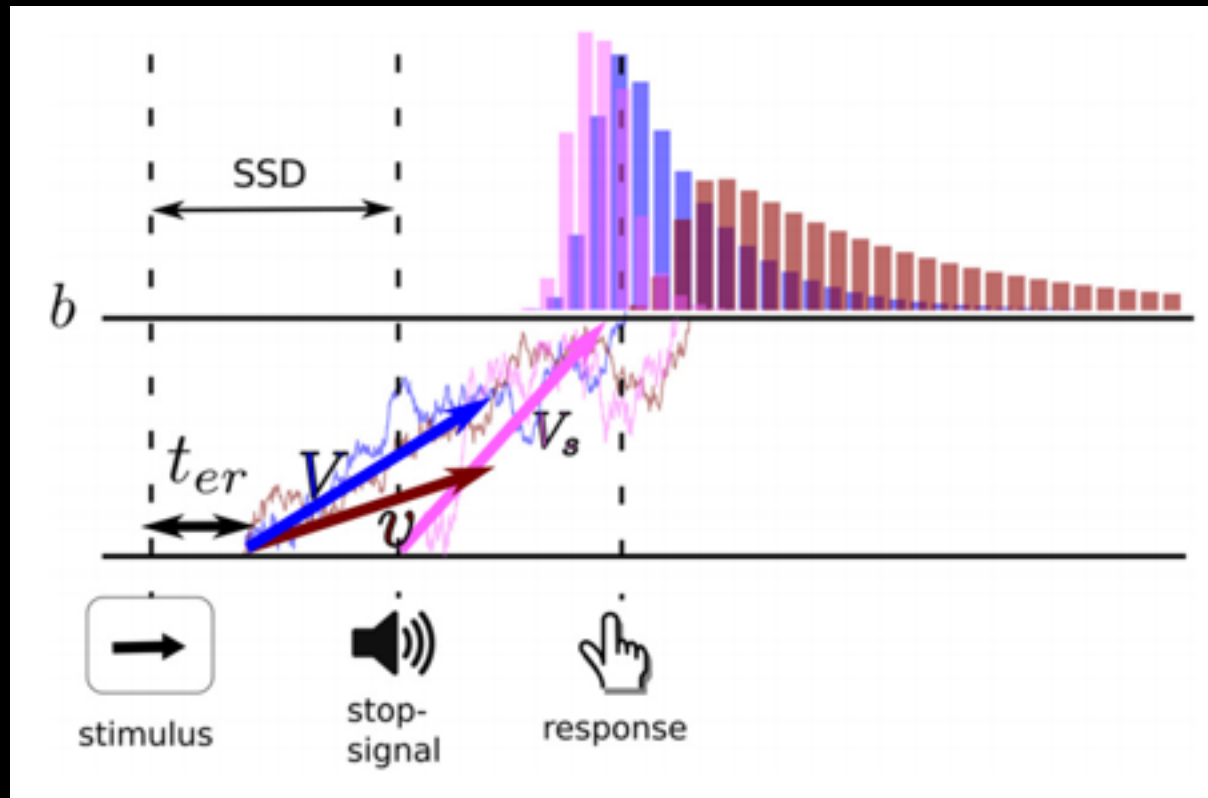




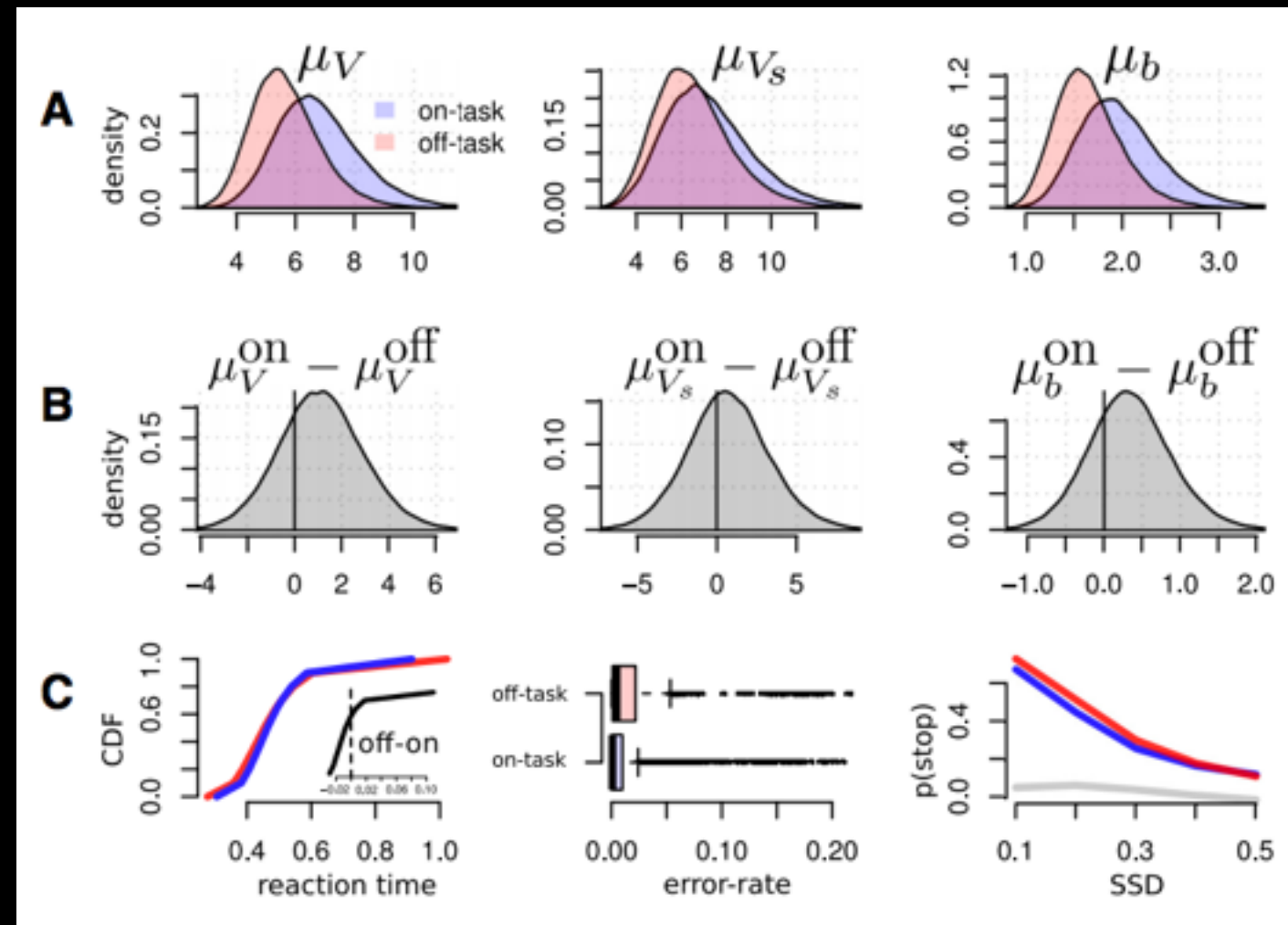
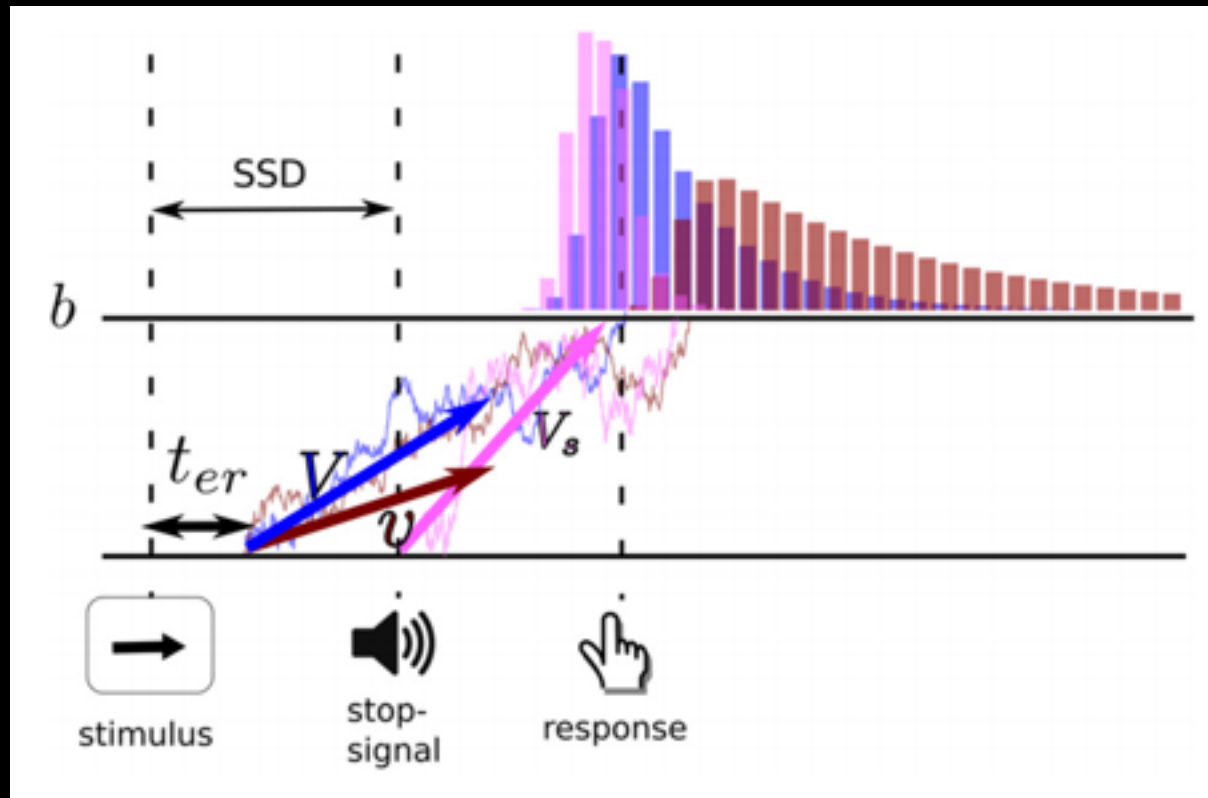


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# Race stopping model



# Race stopping model

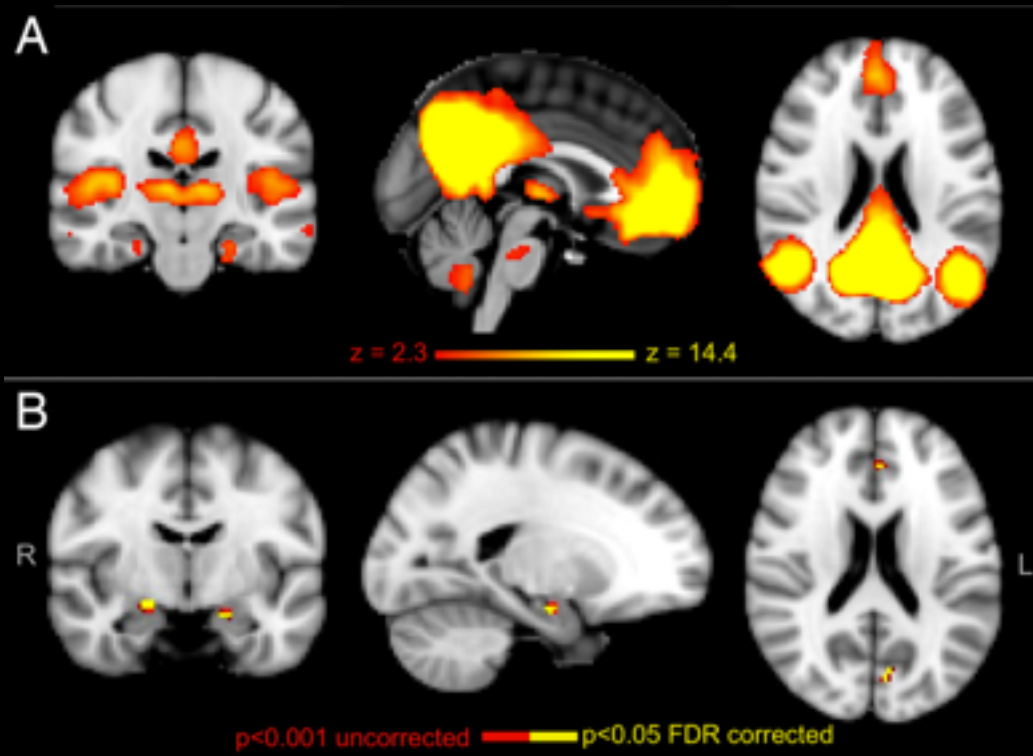
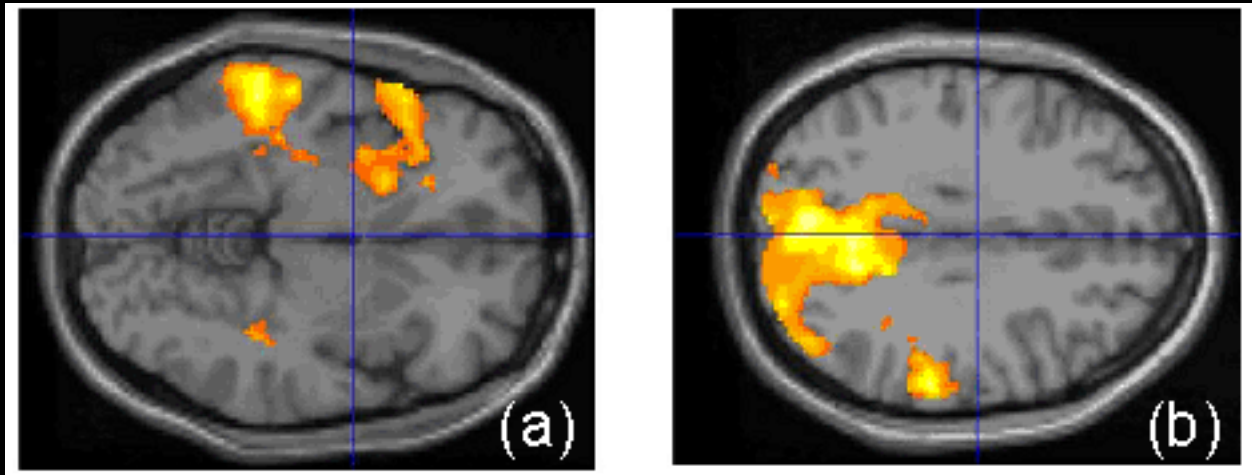


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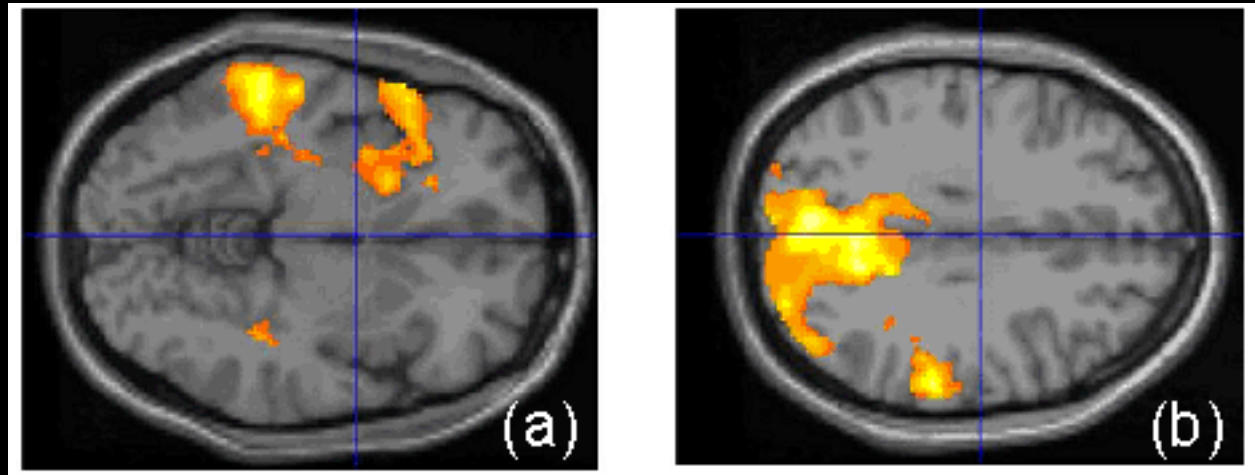
- We can “decode” mind-wandering
  - All modalities are informative
- No real mechanistic understanding
  - Cognitive model can help to some extent



# Functional MRI

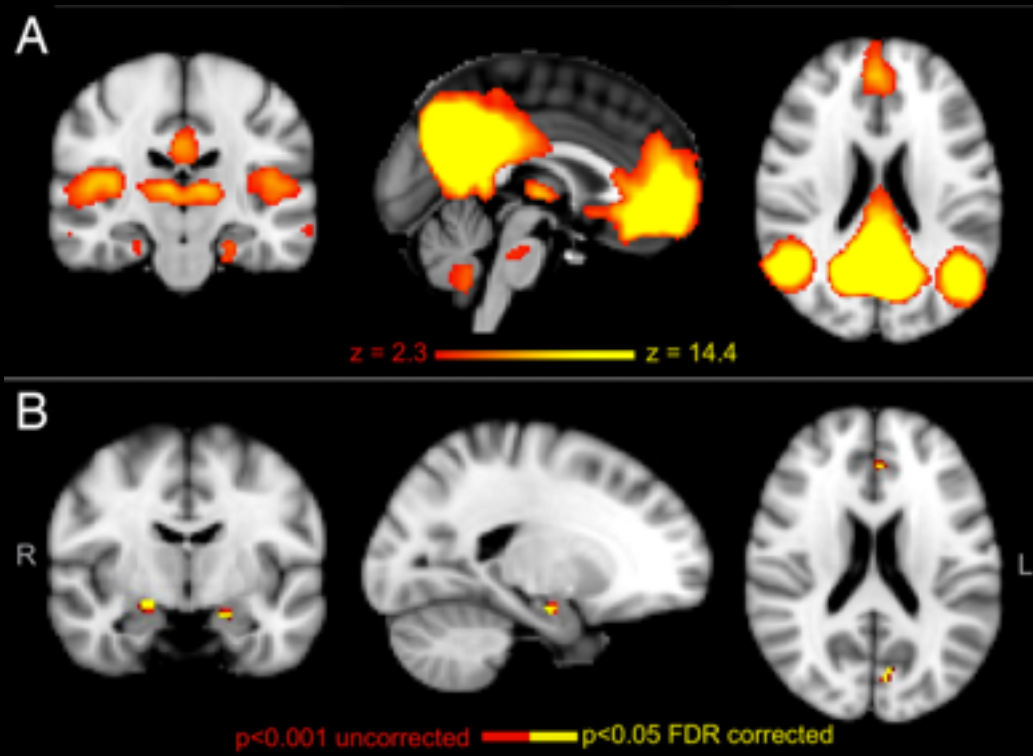
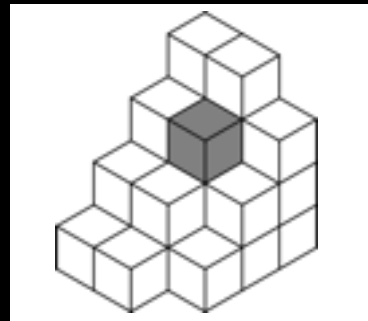


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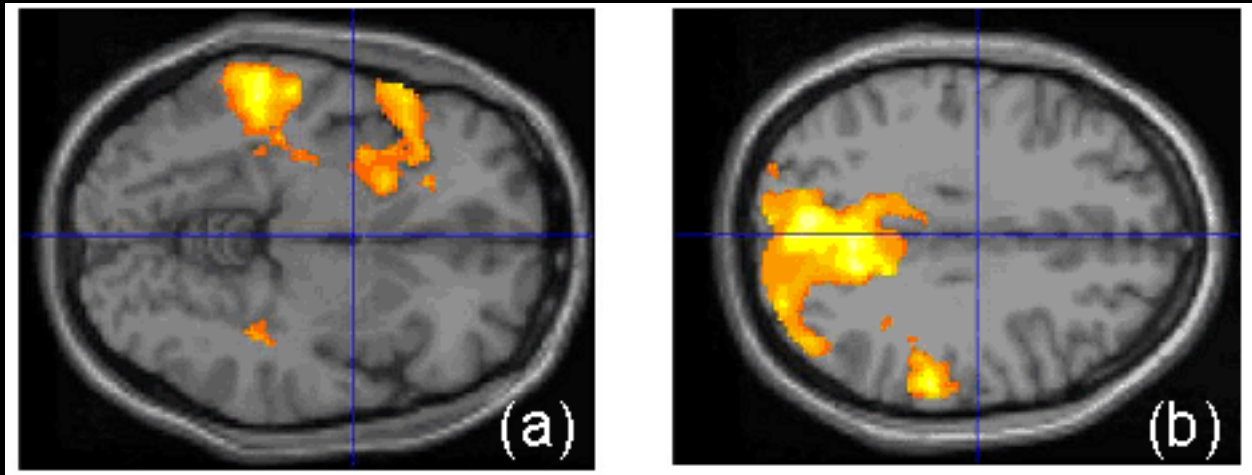


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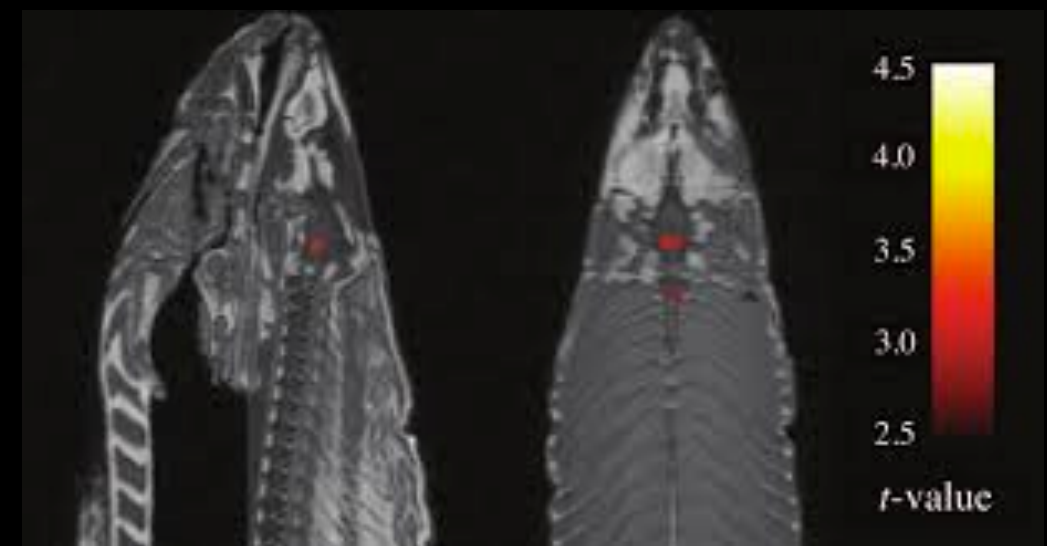
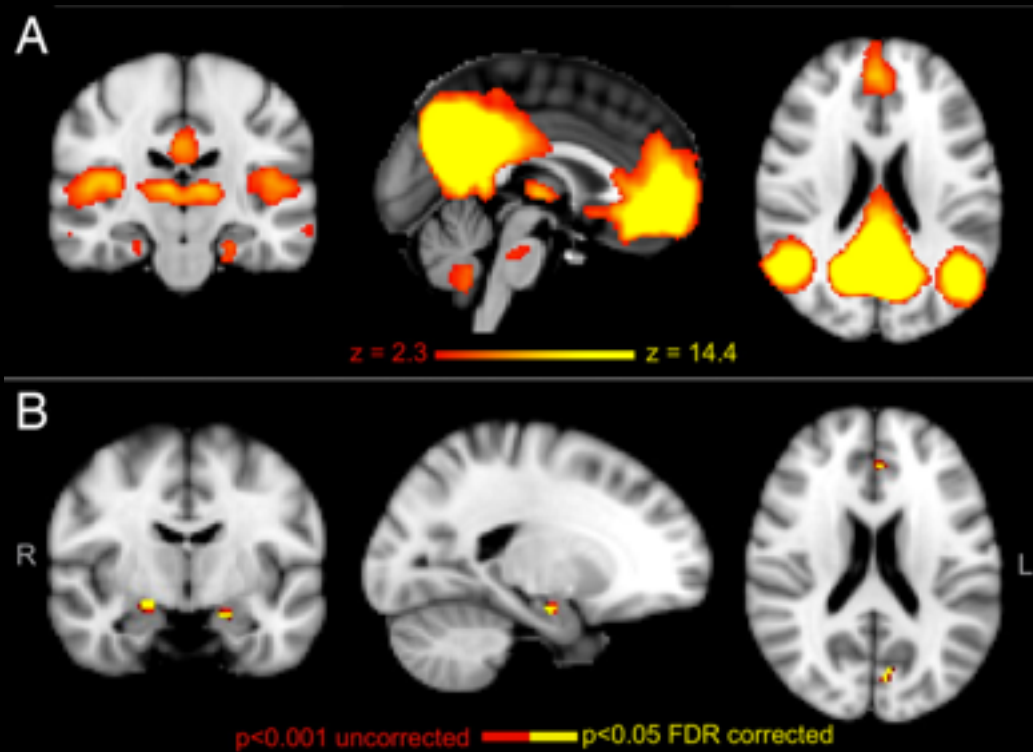
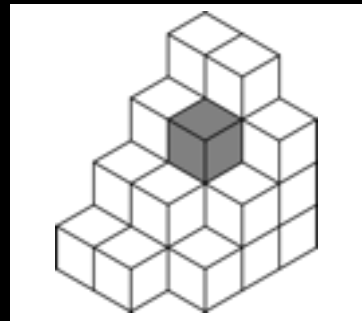


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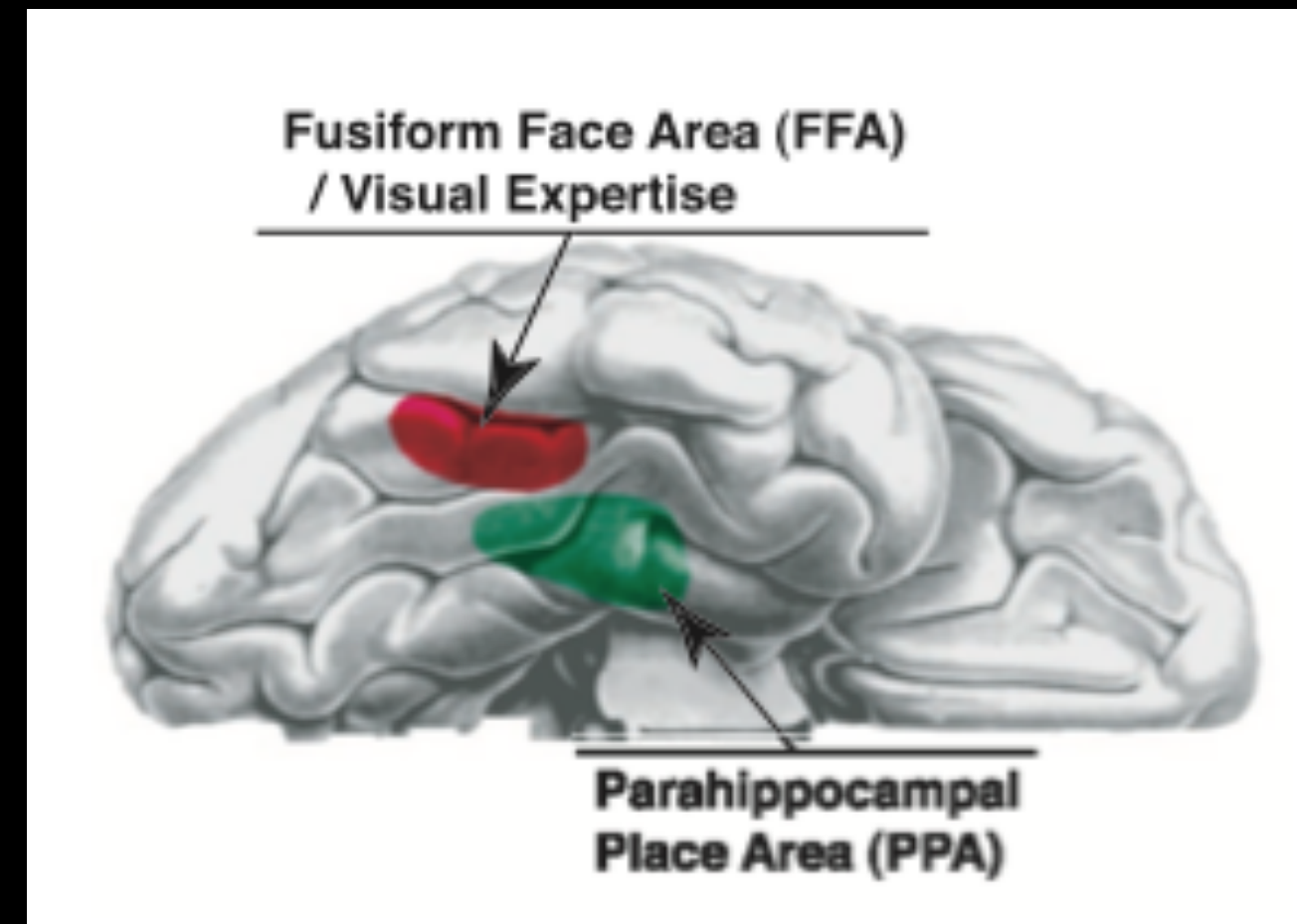
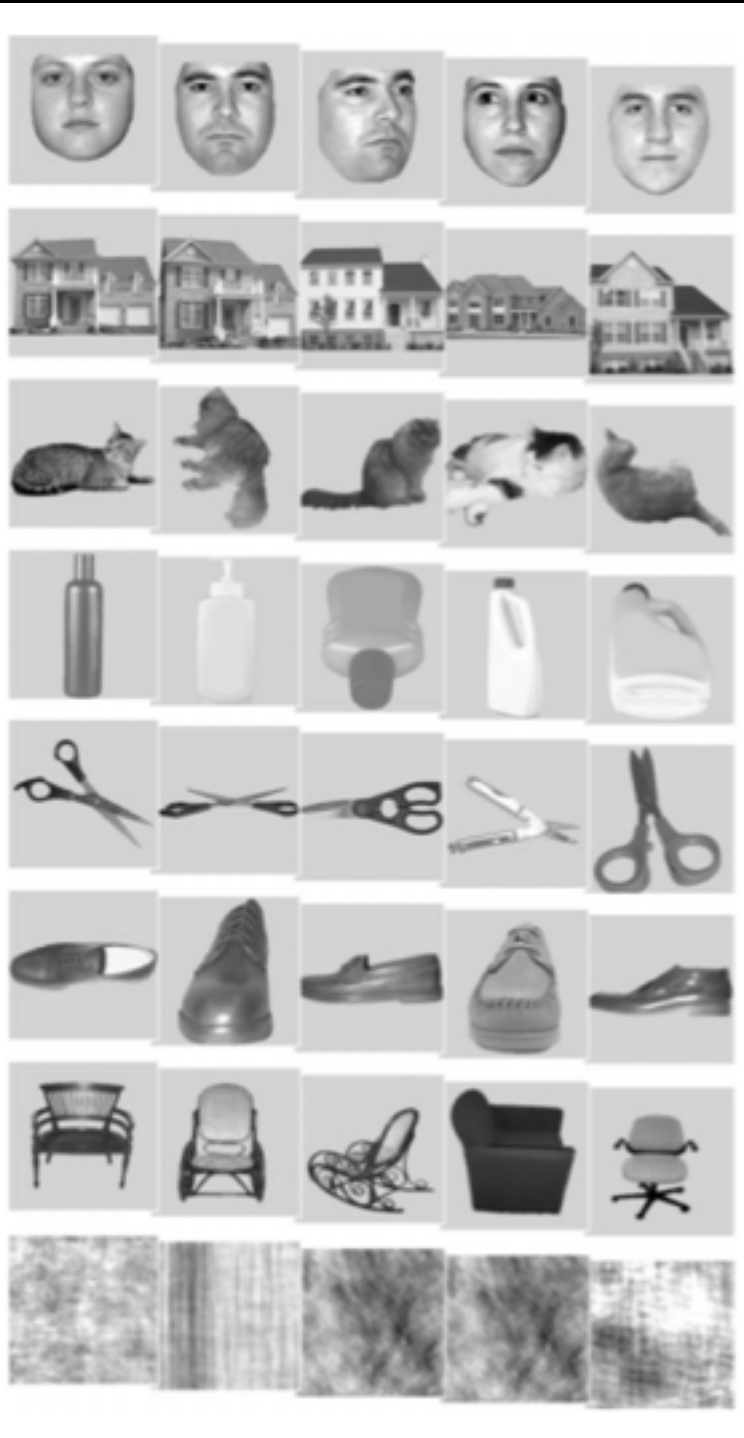


## Distributed and Overlapping Representations of Faces and Objects in Ventral Temporal Cortex

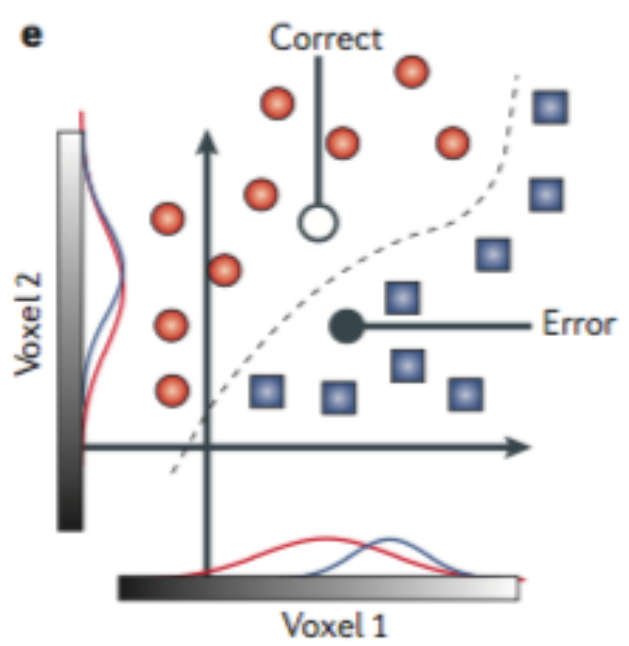
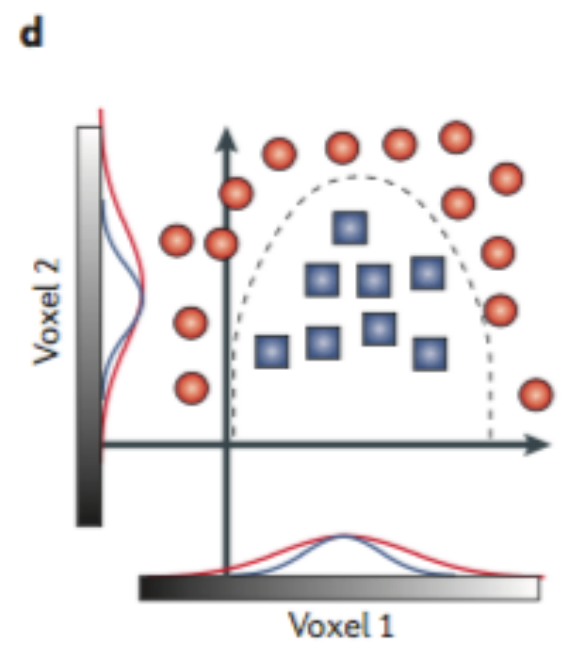
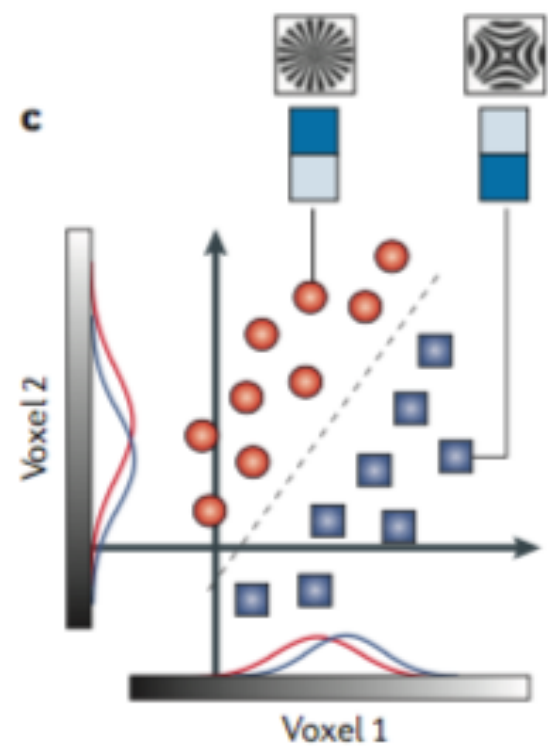
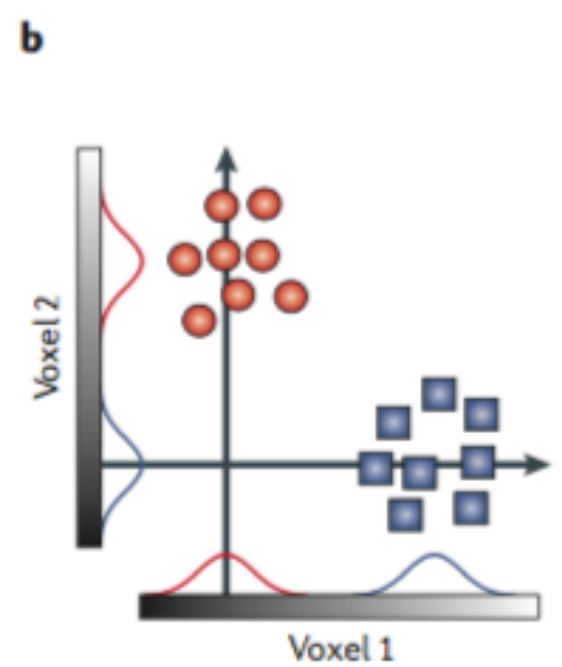
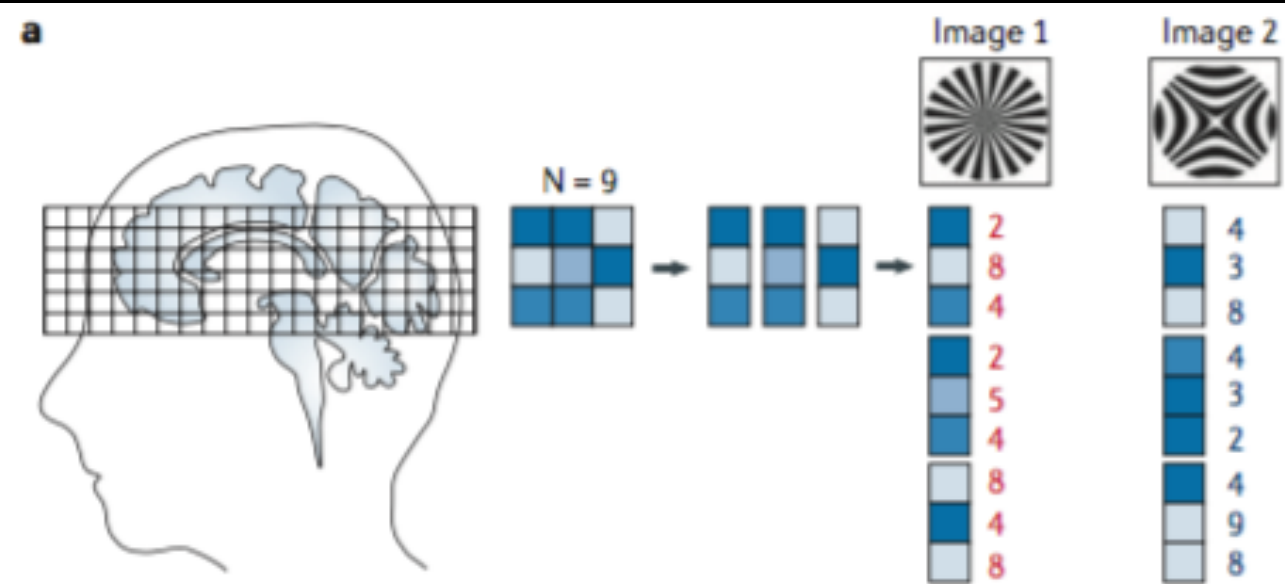
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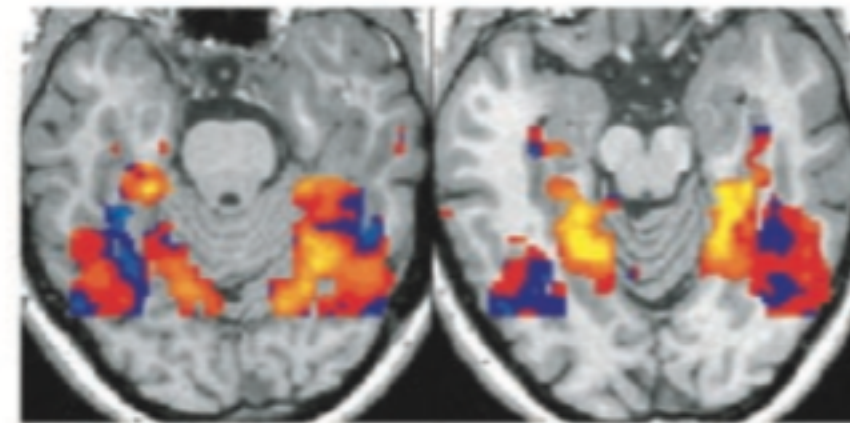
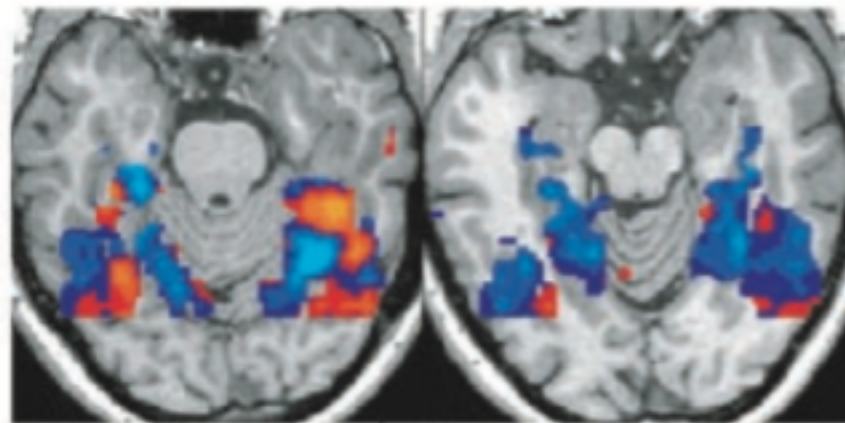






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Runs



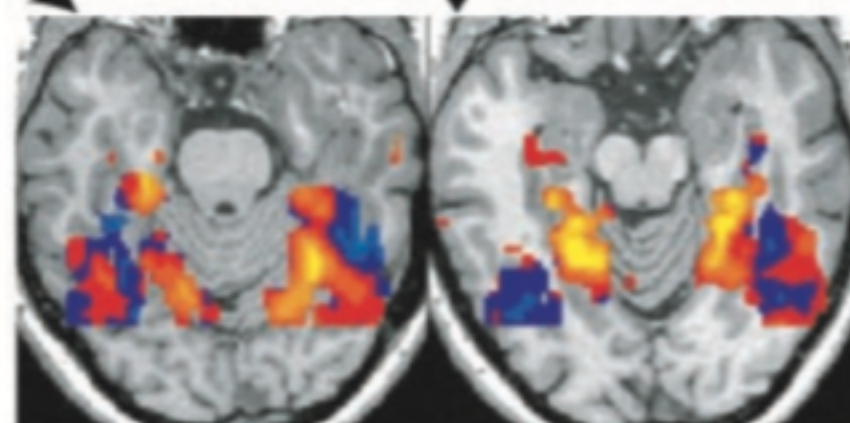
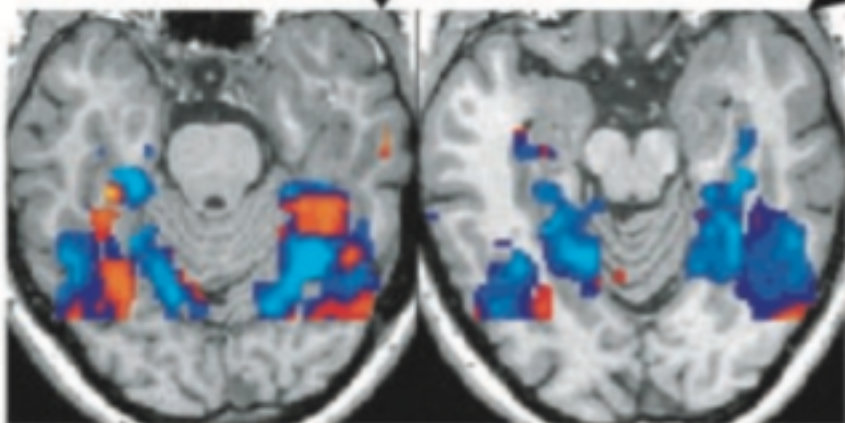
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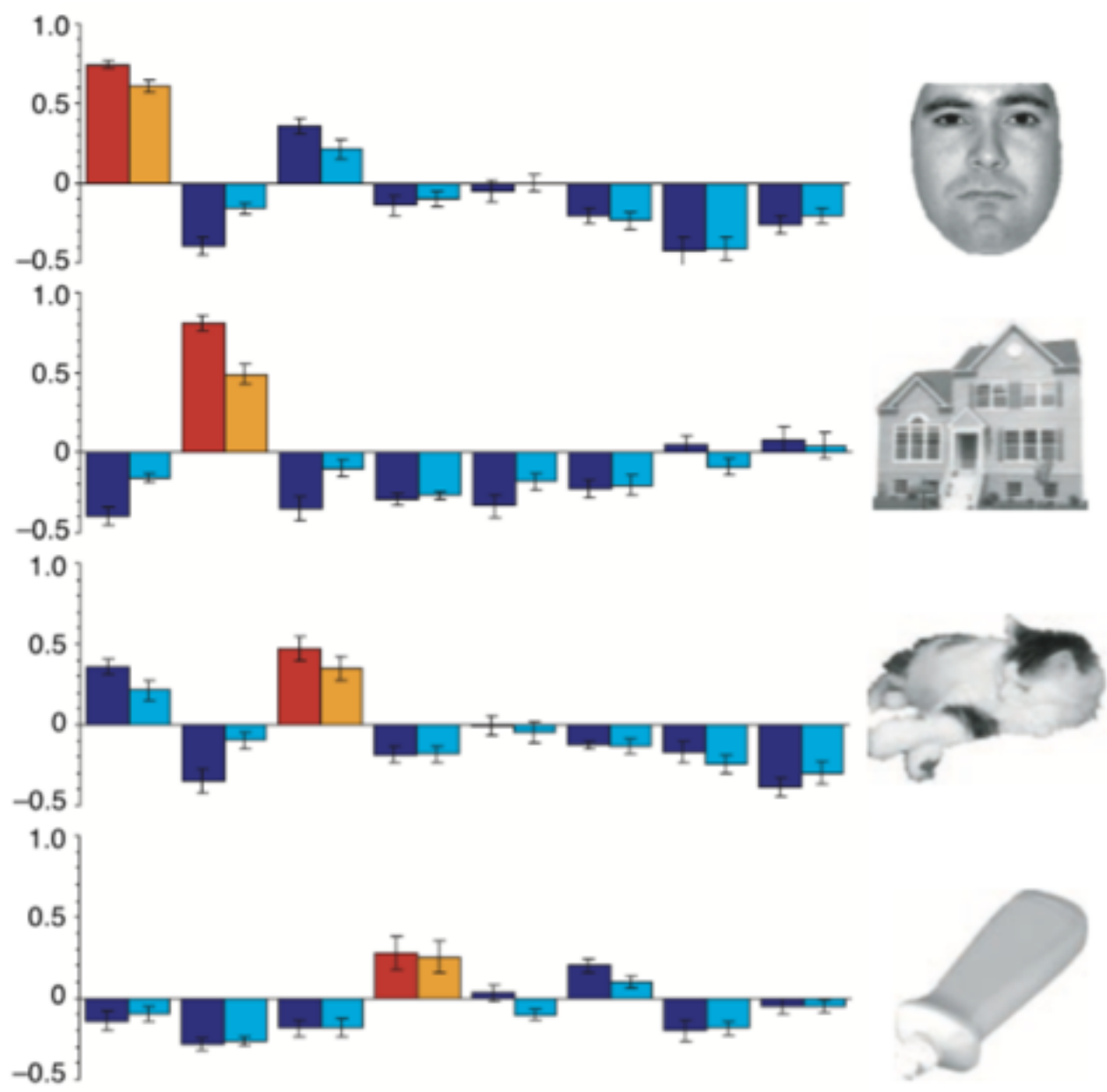


Response  
to Faces



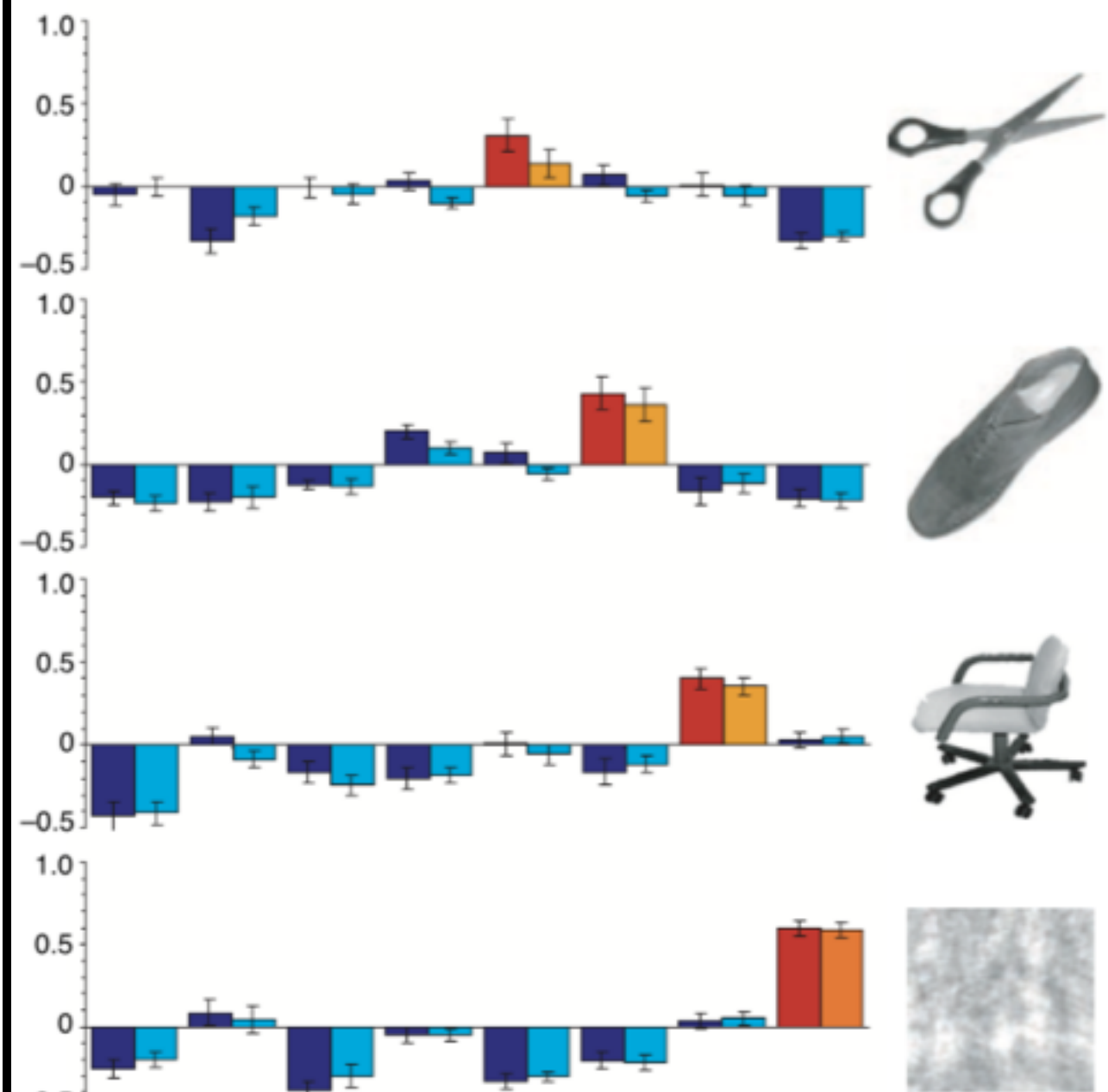
Response  
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All object-selective cortex  
 Excluding maximally-responsive voxels



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# Decoding mental states from brain activity in humans

John-Dylan **Haynes**\*<sup>‡§</sup> and Geraint Rees<sup>‡§</sup>

## Representational similarity analysis – connecting the branches of systems neuroscience

Nikolaus **Kriegeskorte**<sup>1,\*</sup>, Marieke Mur<sup>1,2</sup> and Peter Bandettini<sup>1</sup>

# Beyond mind-reading: multi-voxel pattern analysis of fMRI data

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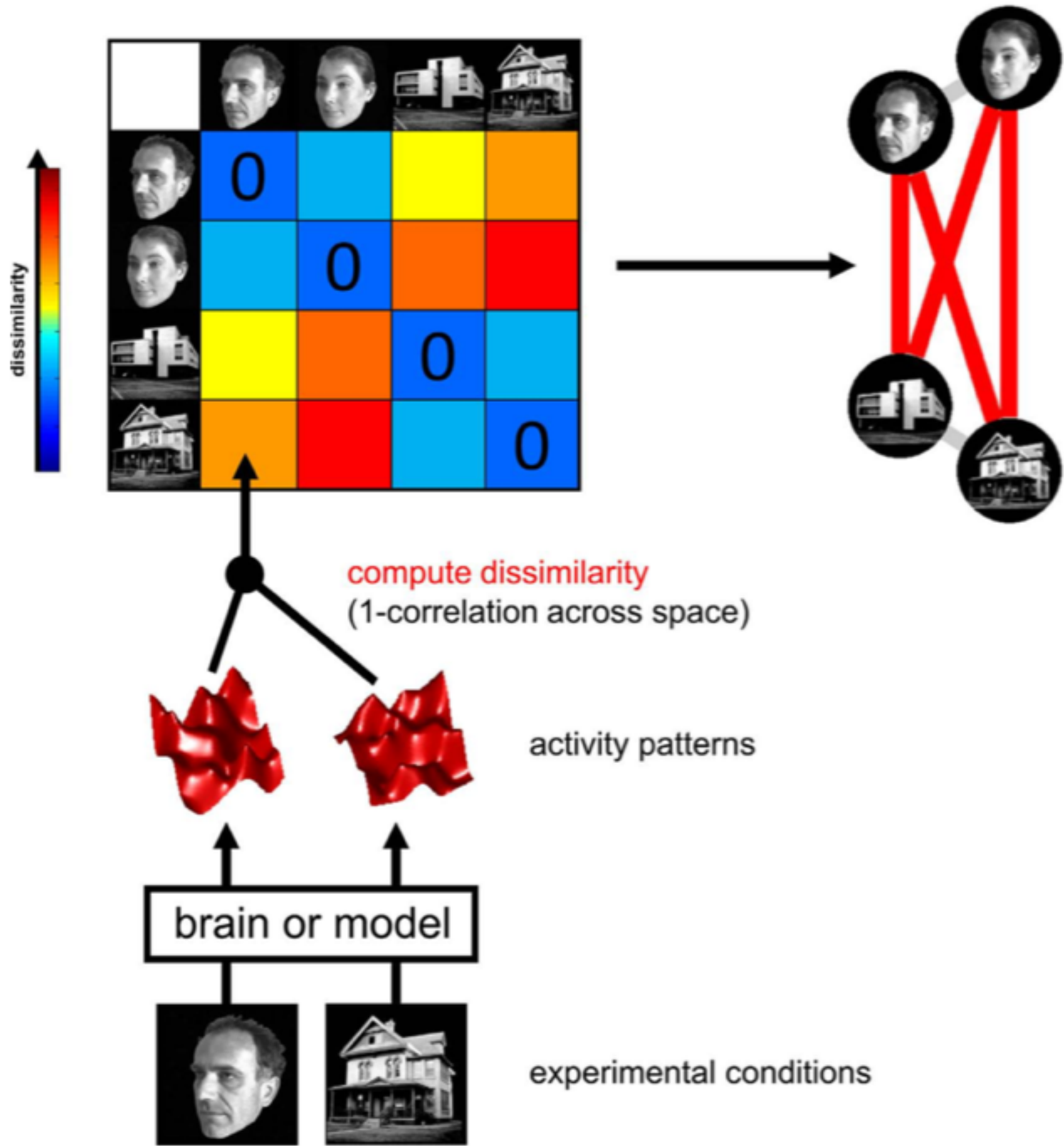
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dissimilarity matrix

similarity-graph icon



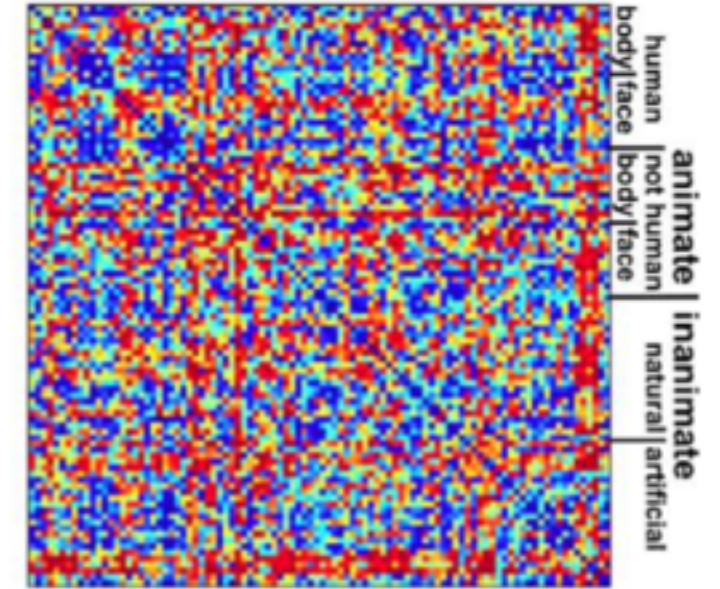
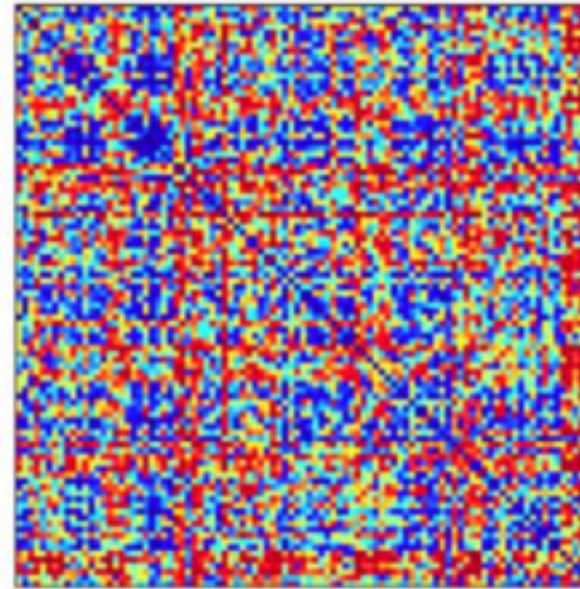
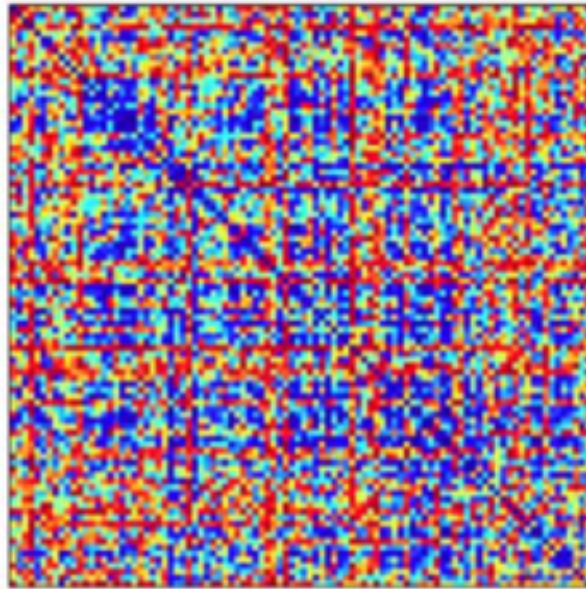


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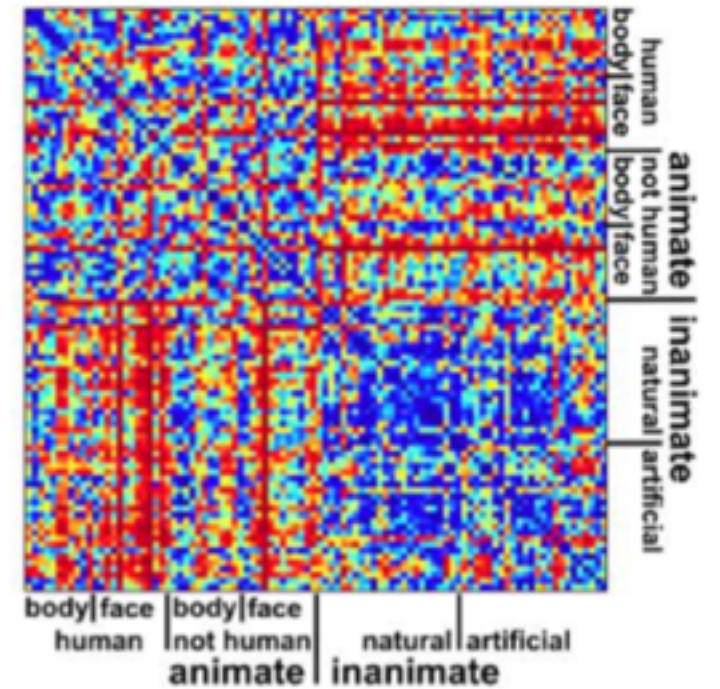
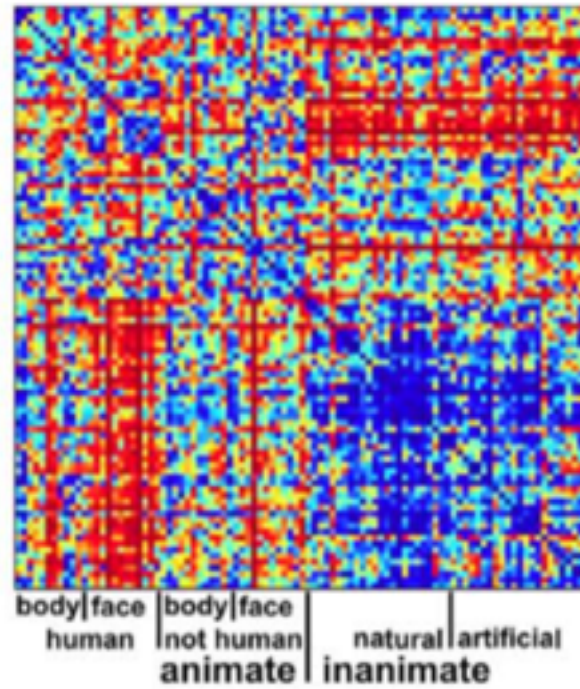
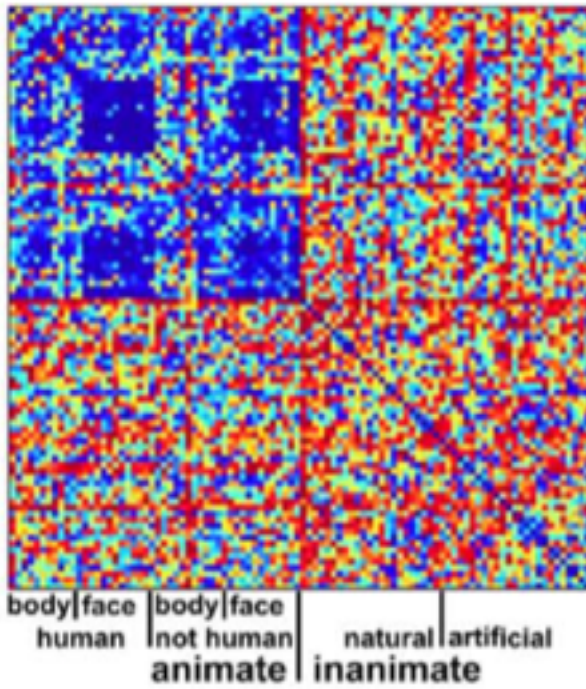
Euclidean distance

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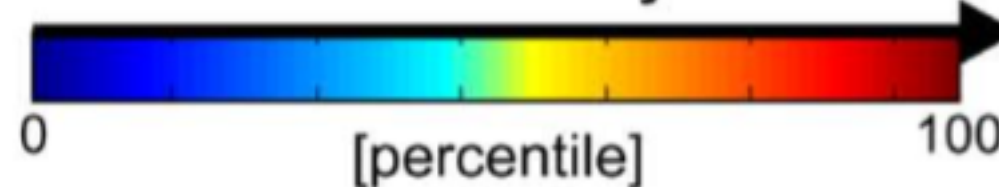
early visual cortex



right FFA

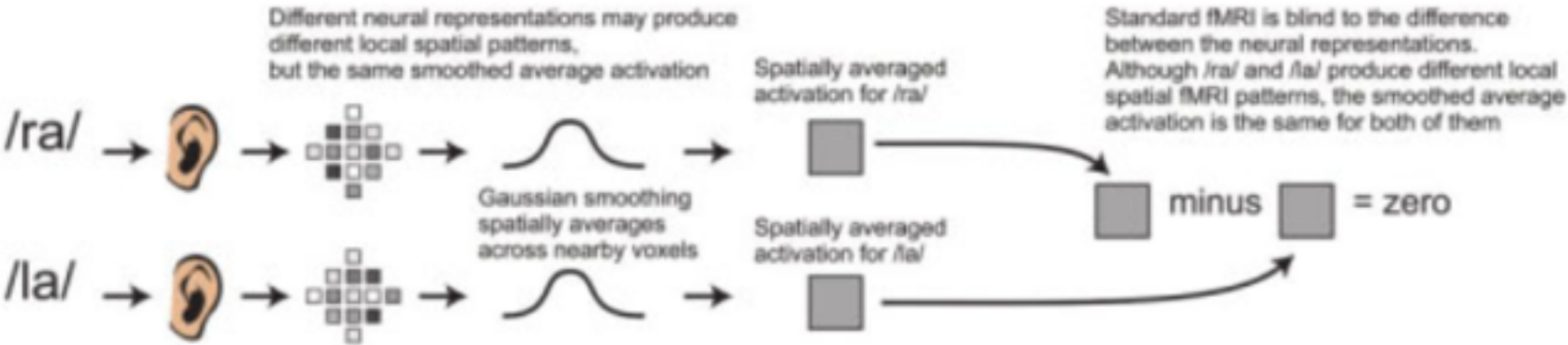
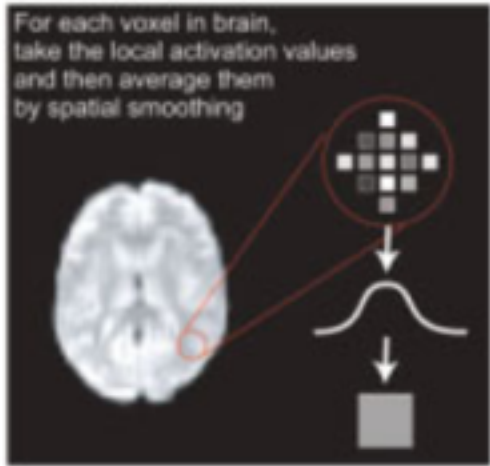


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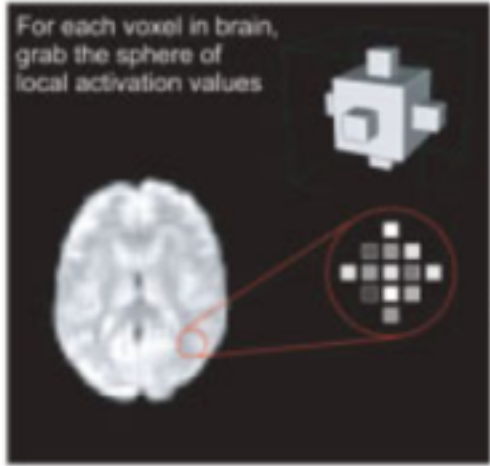




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# B Pattern-information fMRI: representations regained. But do they relate to people's behaviour?

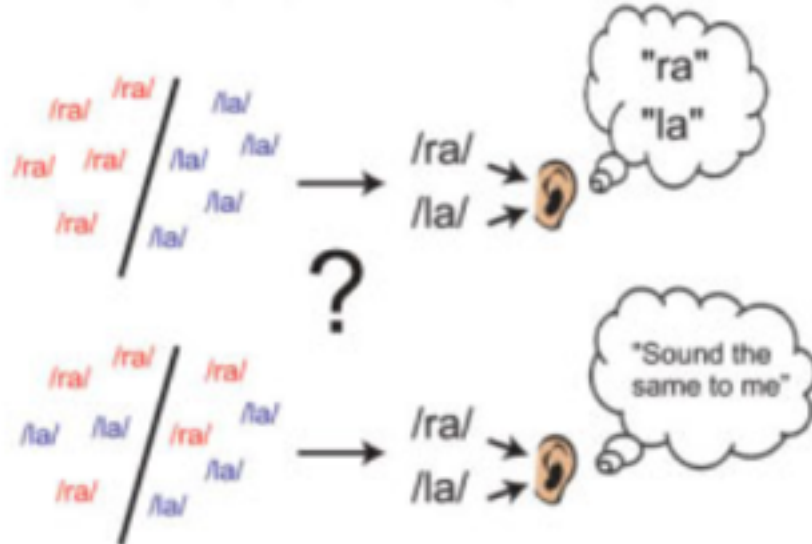
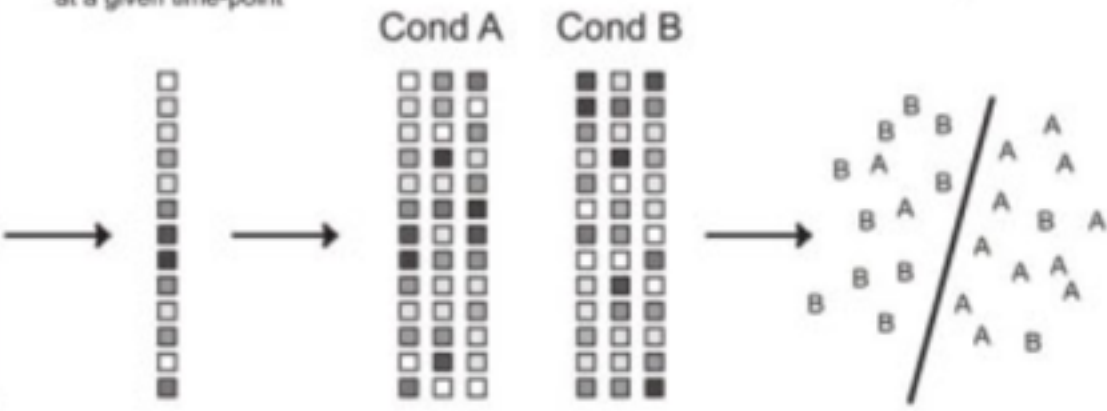


Stack these values into an activation vector: the activation pattern at a given time-point

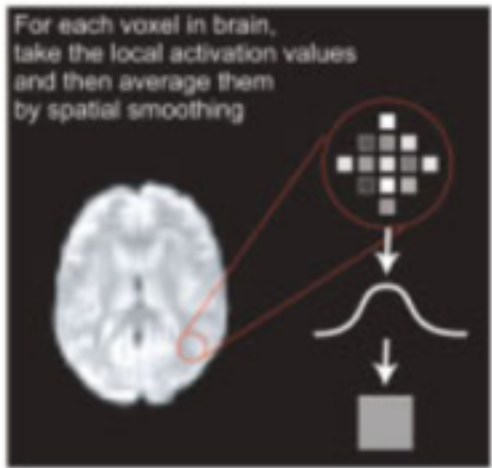
Collect activation vectors for Condition A time-points and Condition B time-points

Put vectors into a classifier, see how well it can separate Cond A time-points from Cond B

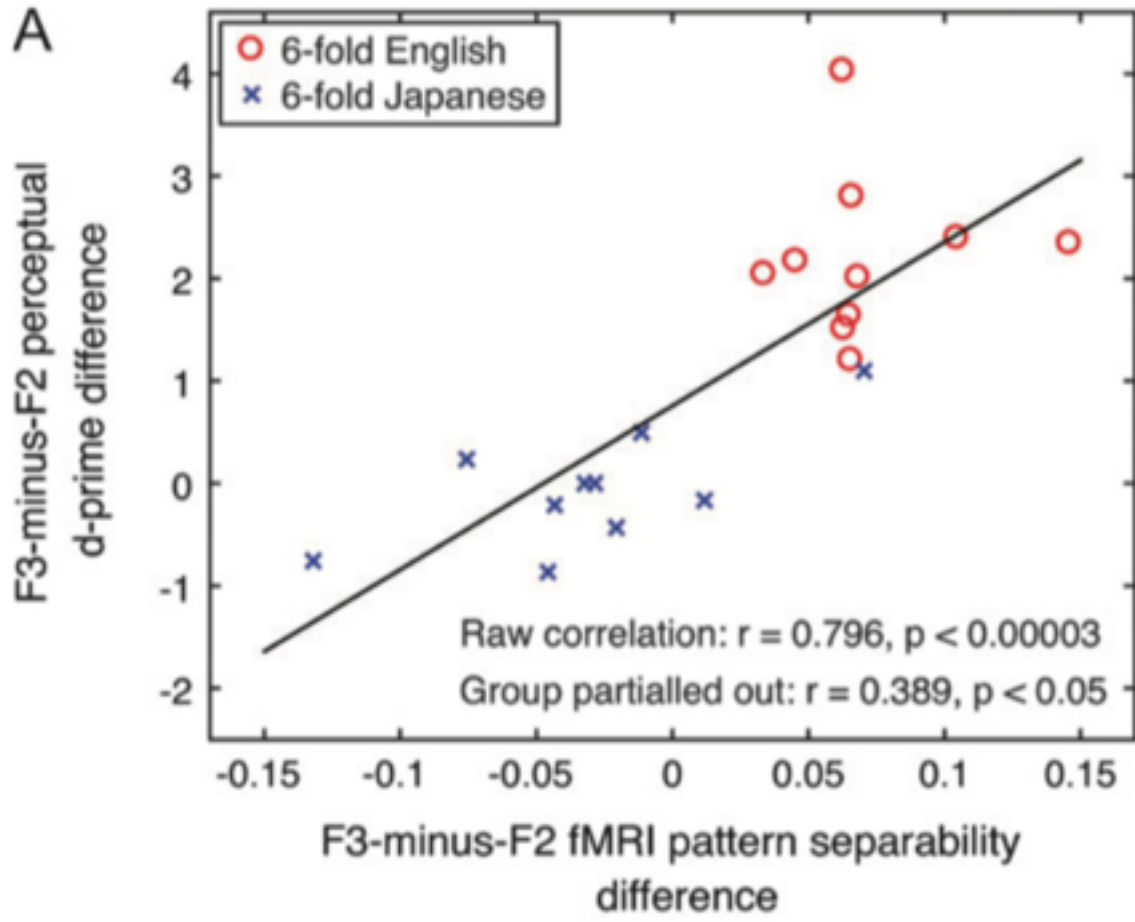
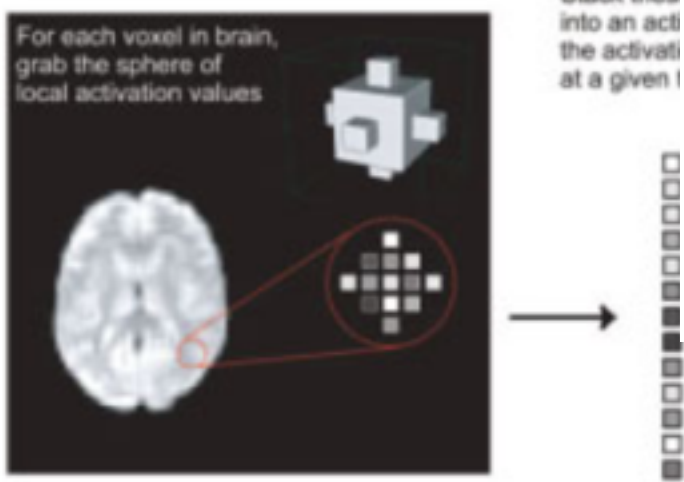
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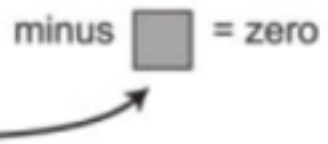
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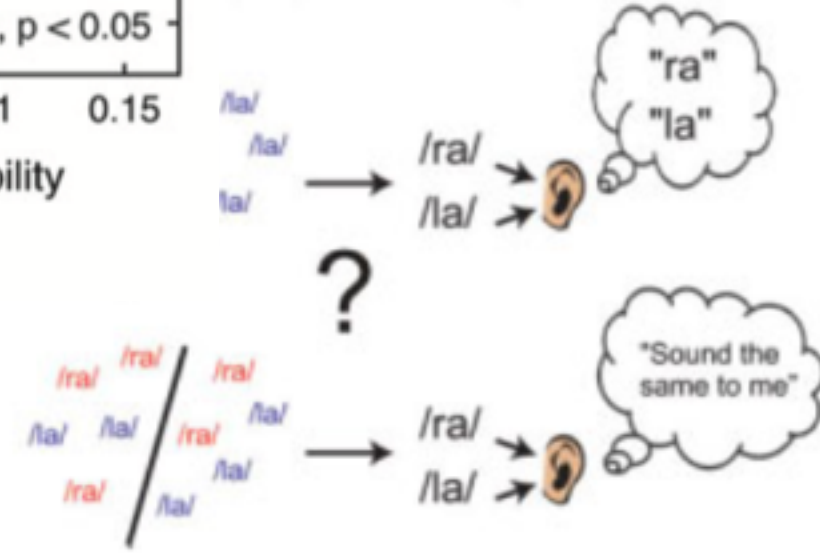


Standard fMRI is blind to the difference between the neural representations. Although /ra/ and /la/ produce different local fMRI patterns, the smoothed average activation is the same for both of them



## perception's behaviour?

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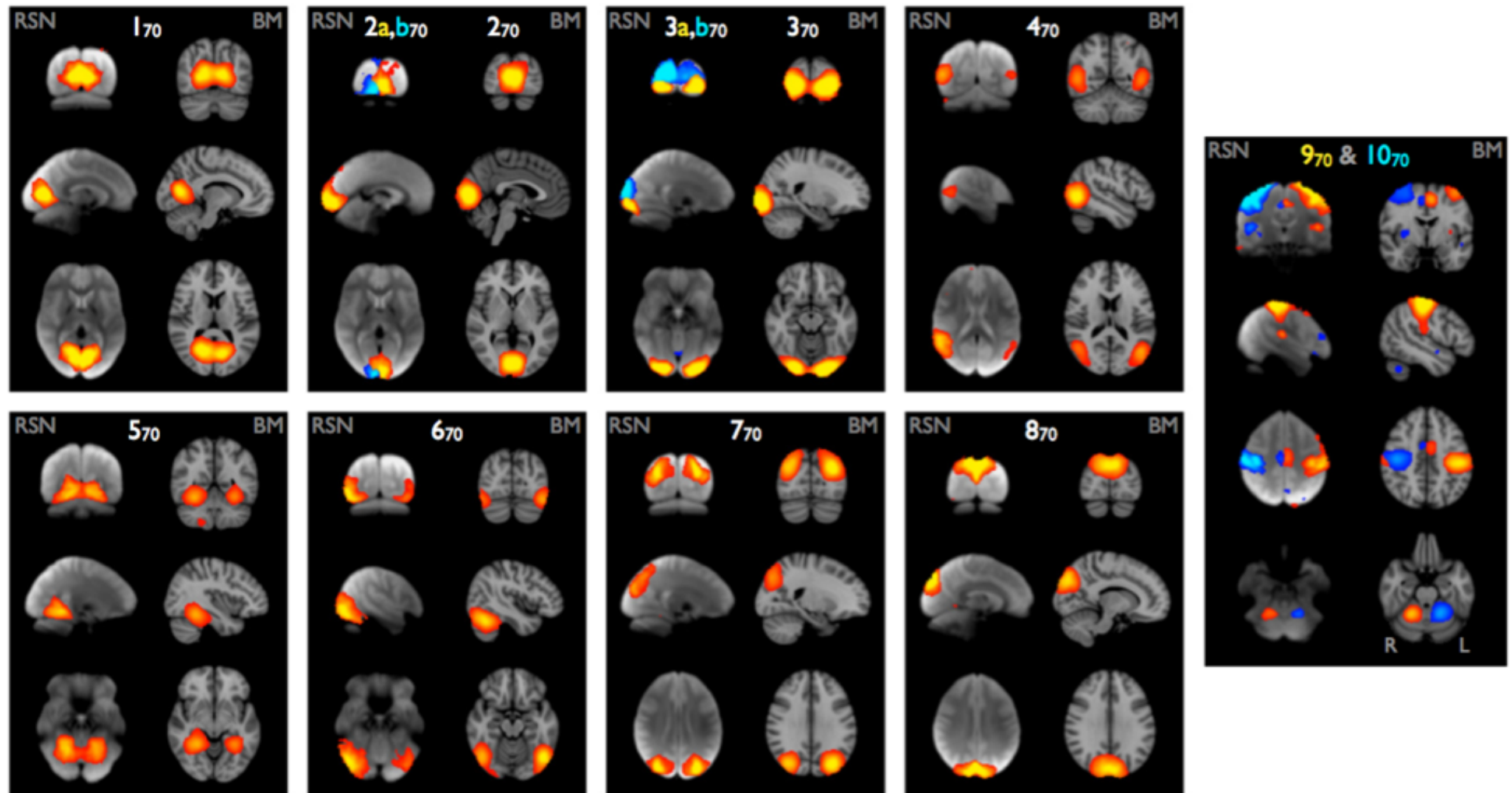


# Supervised MVPA

- Most fMRI research use some sort of paradigm with clearly separable conditions

# Correspondence of the brain's functional architecture during activation and rest

Stephen M. **Smith**<sup>a,1</sup>, Peter T. Fox<sup>b</sup>, Karla L. Miller<sup>a</sup>, David C. Glahn<sup>b,c</sup>, P. Mickle Fox<sup>b</sup>, Clare E. Mackay<sup>a</sup>, Nicola Filippini<sup>a</sup>, Kate E. Watkins<sup>a</sup>, Roberto Toro<sup>d</sup>, Angela R. Laird<sup>b</sup>, and Christian F. Beckmann<sup>a,e</sup>



**Fig. 3.** Eight well-matched pairs of networks in visual areas (1–8<sub>70</sub>), and 2 pairs from the sensorimotor areas (9, 10<sub>70</sub>), from the 70-component analyses of the BrainMap activation database and the resting fMRI dataset. All Gaussianized ICA maps are thresholded at  $Z = 4$  (higher than for the 20-dimensional results for comparability, because the higher-dimensional analysis, by definition, has reduced ICA residuals).

# MVPA

- Exploiting multivariate nature of functional MRI data
  - Supervised learning in task paradigms
    - Decoding
    - Similarity measures
  - Unsupervised learning in resting state

# MVPA

- MVPA can find effects that univariate analysis cannot
- Neuroscientists love this (note that fMRI dataset  $\approx$  15,000 - 50,000 euros)
- Kriegeskorte: MVPA can learn us something about how the brain represent information

# Generative models

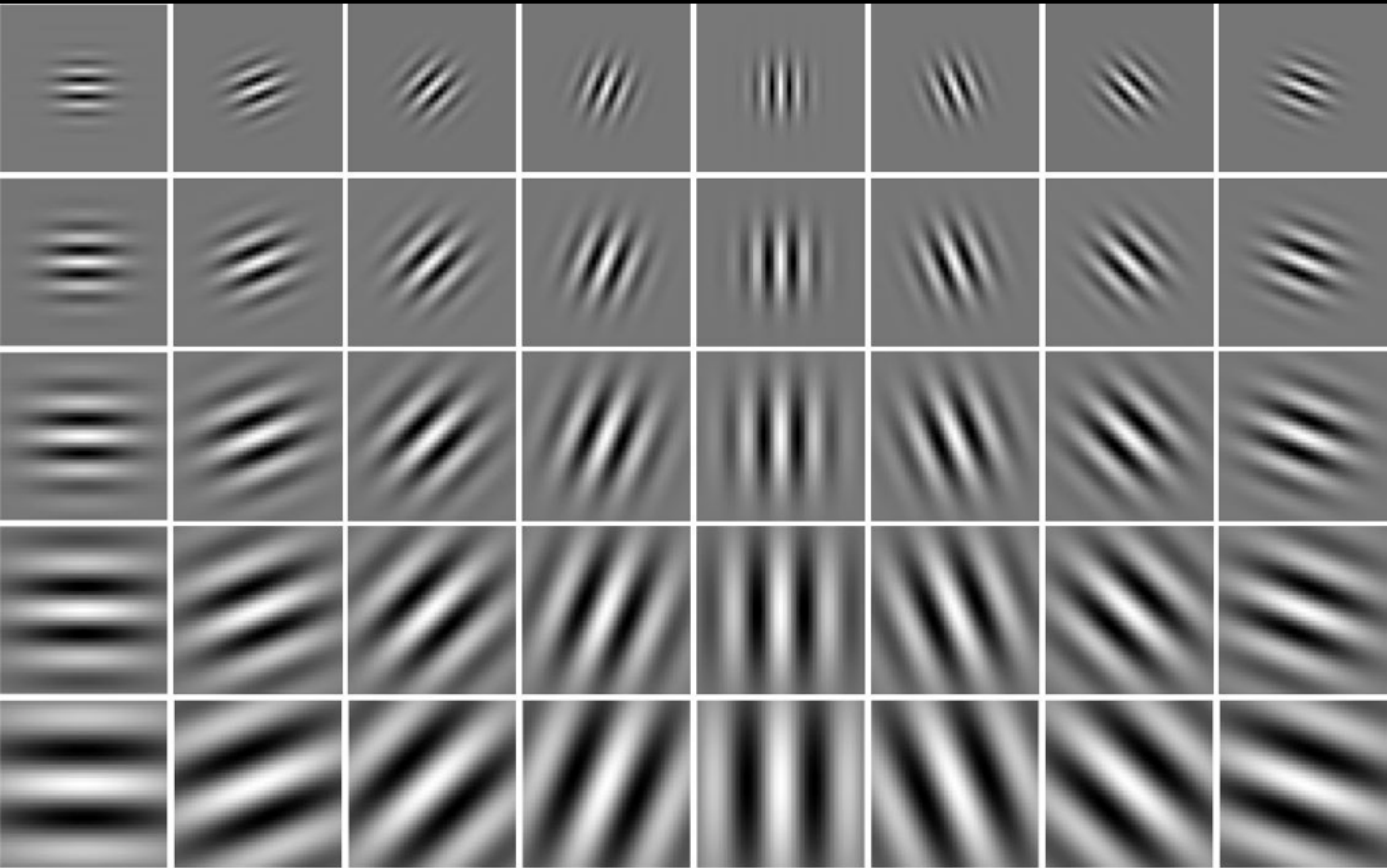
- Lately: Bayesian approach to modelling of brain data
  - Generative model stimulus  $\rightarrow$  brain activity
    - $P(\text{brain\_activity} \mid \text{stimulus})$
  - With Bayes' rule we can now infer the stimulus using the brain data!
    - $P(\text{stimulus} \mid \text{brain\_activity})$



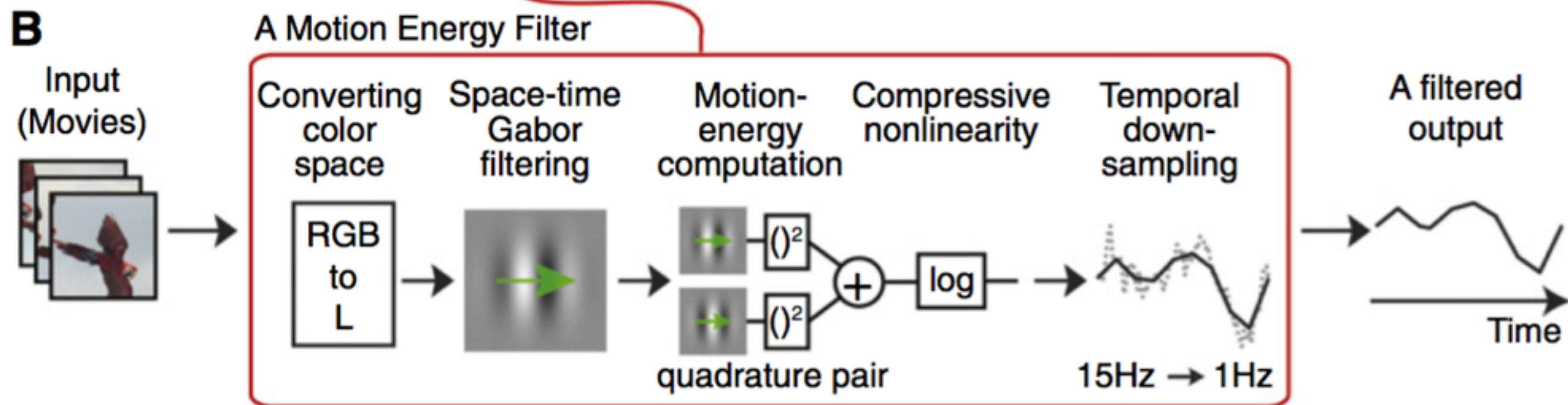
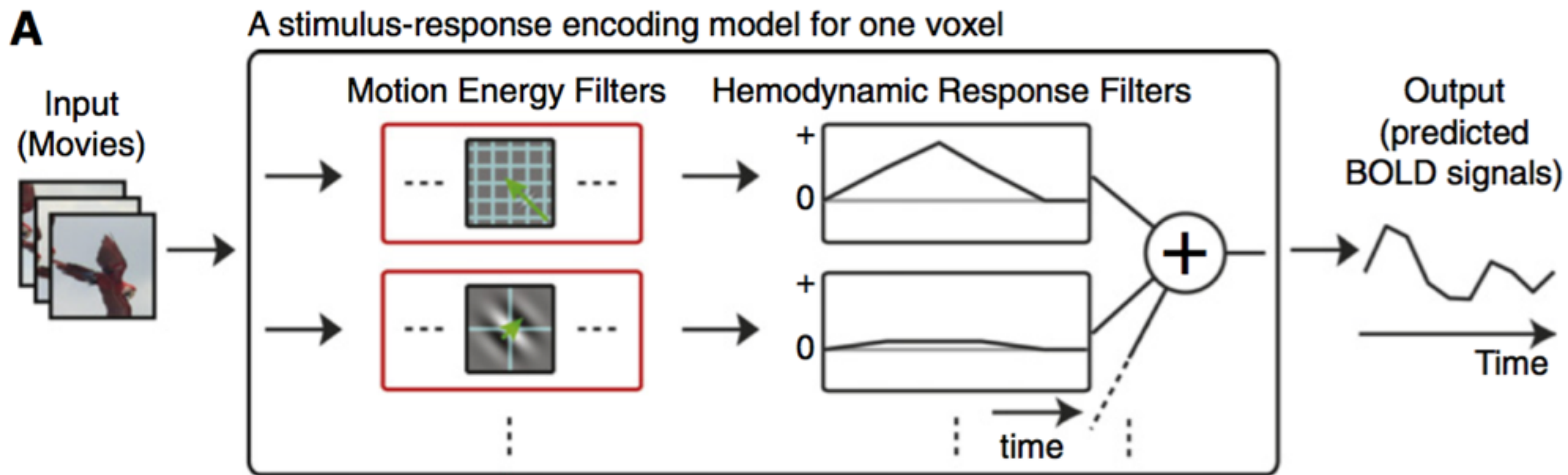
# Reconstructing Visual Experiences from Brain Activity Evoked by Natural Movies





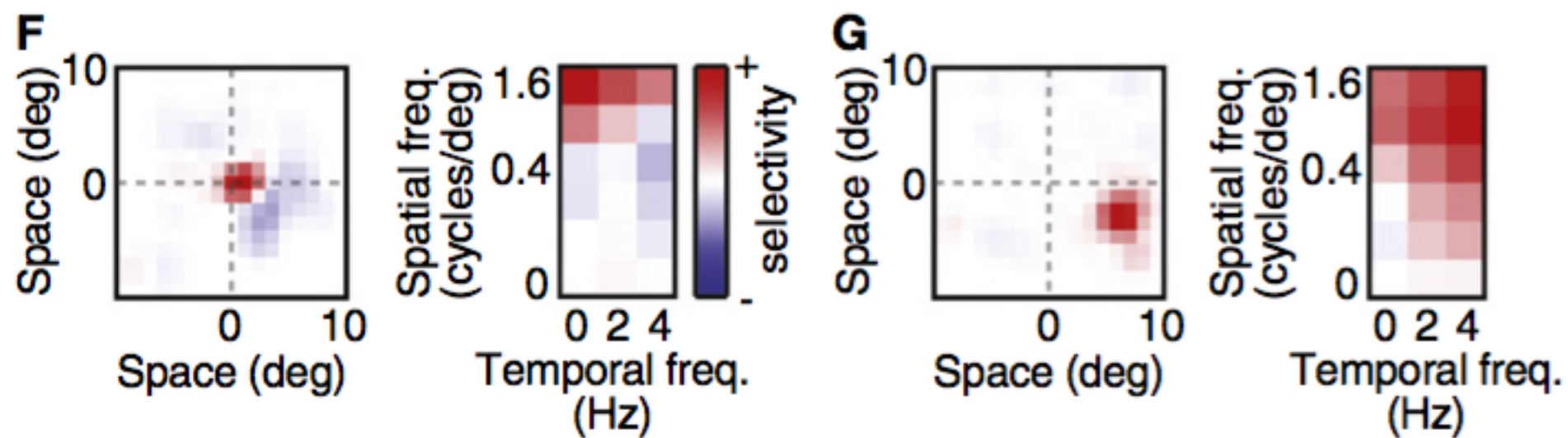




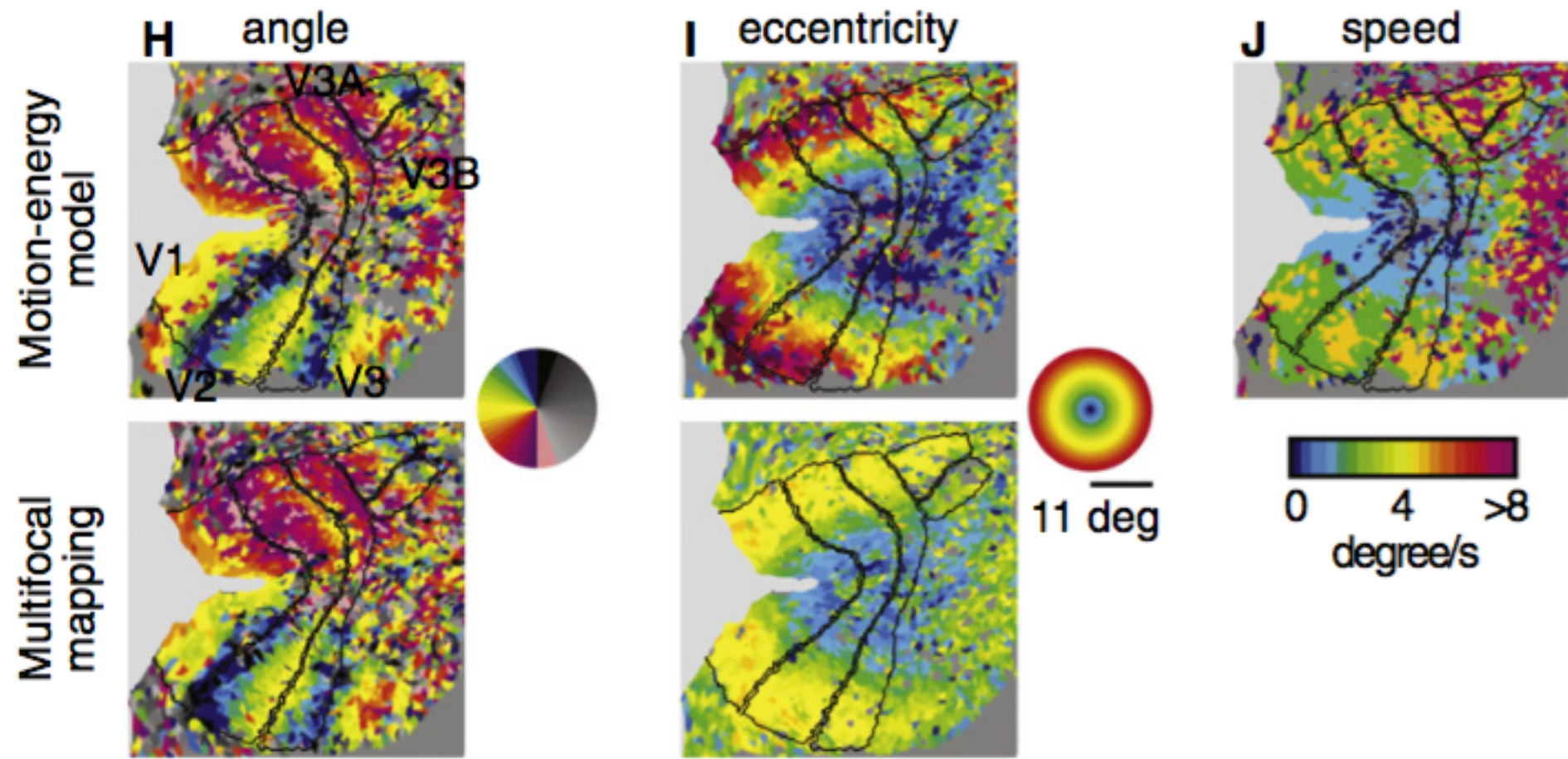


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voxel 2









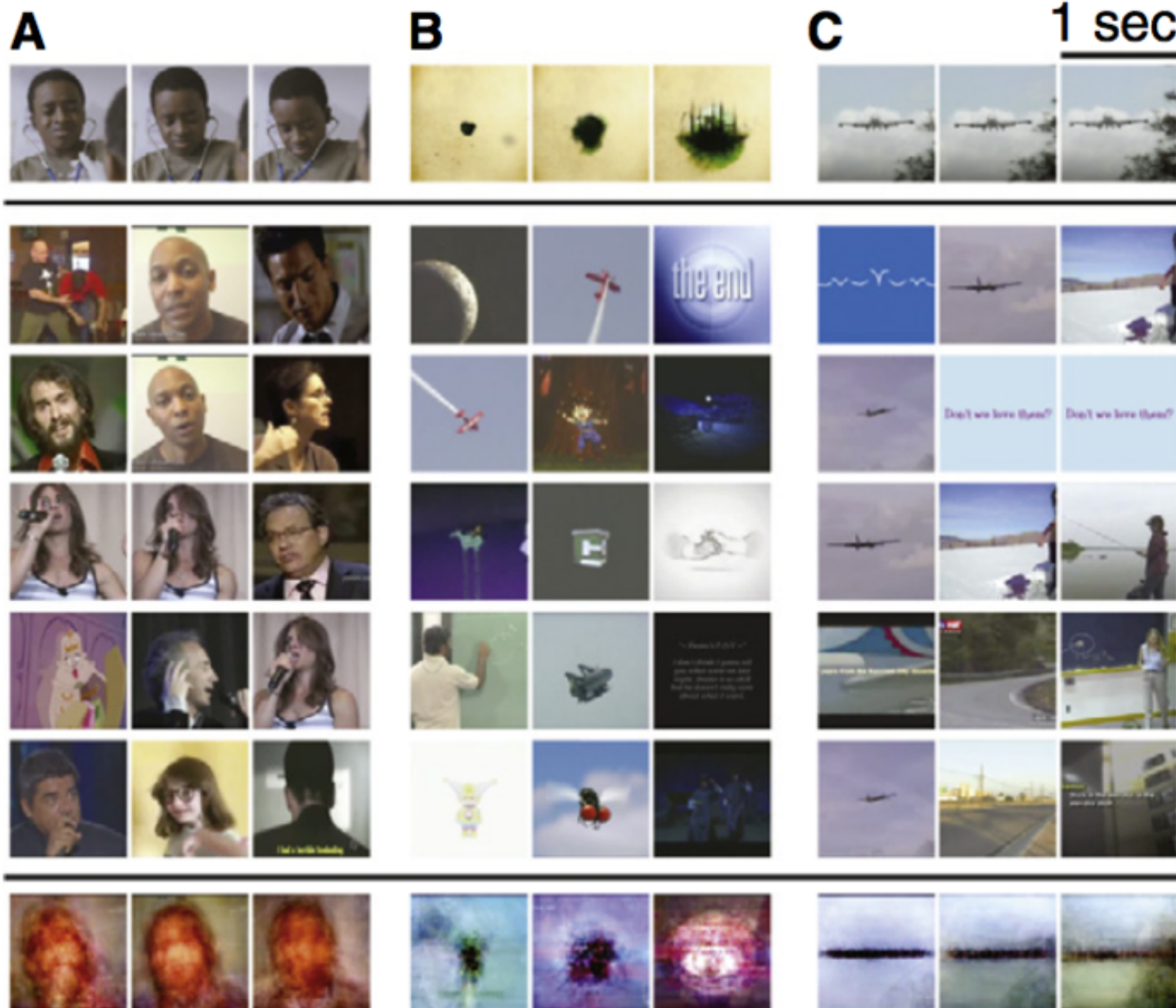
Presented movies

Highest posterior movies (MAP)

3rd highest

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Reconstructed movies (AHP)



# Reconstructing visual experiences from brain activity evoked by natural movies

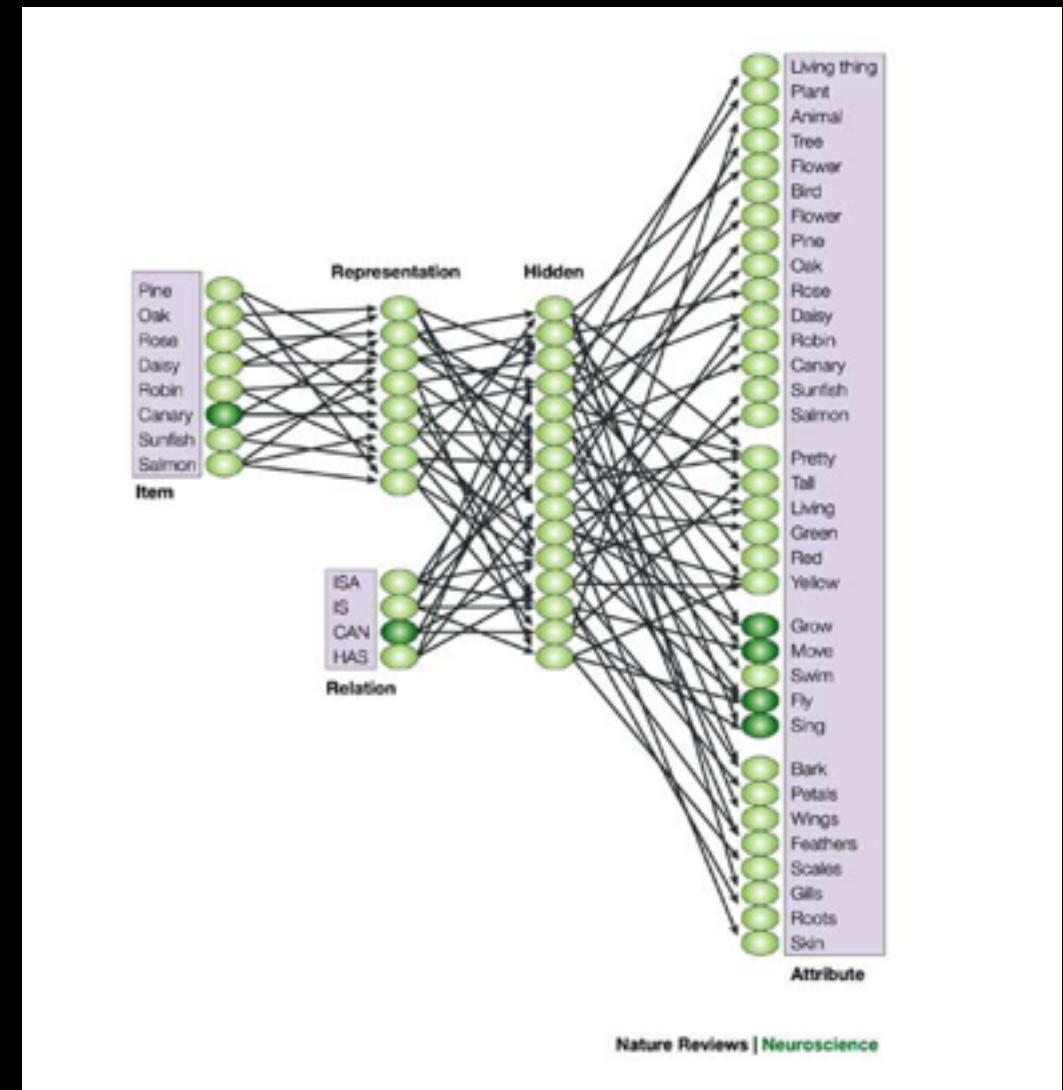
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Supplemental movie S1

# Deep Learning

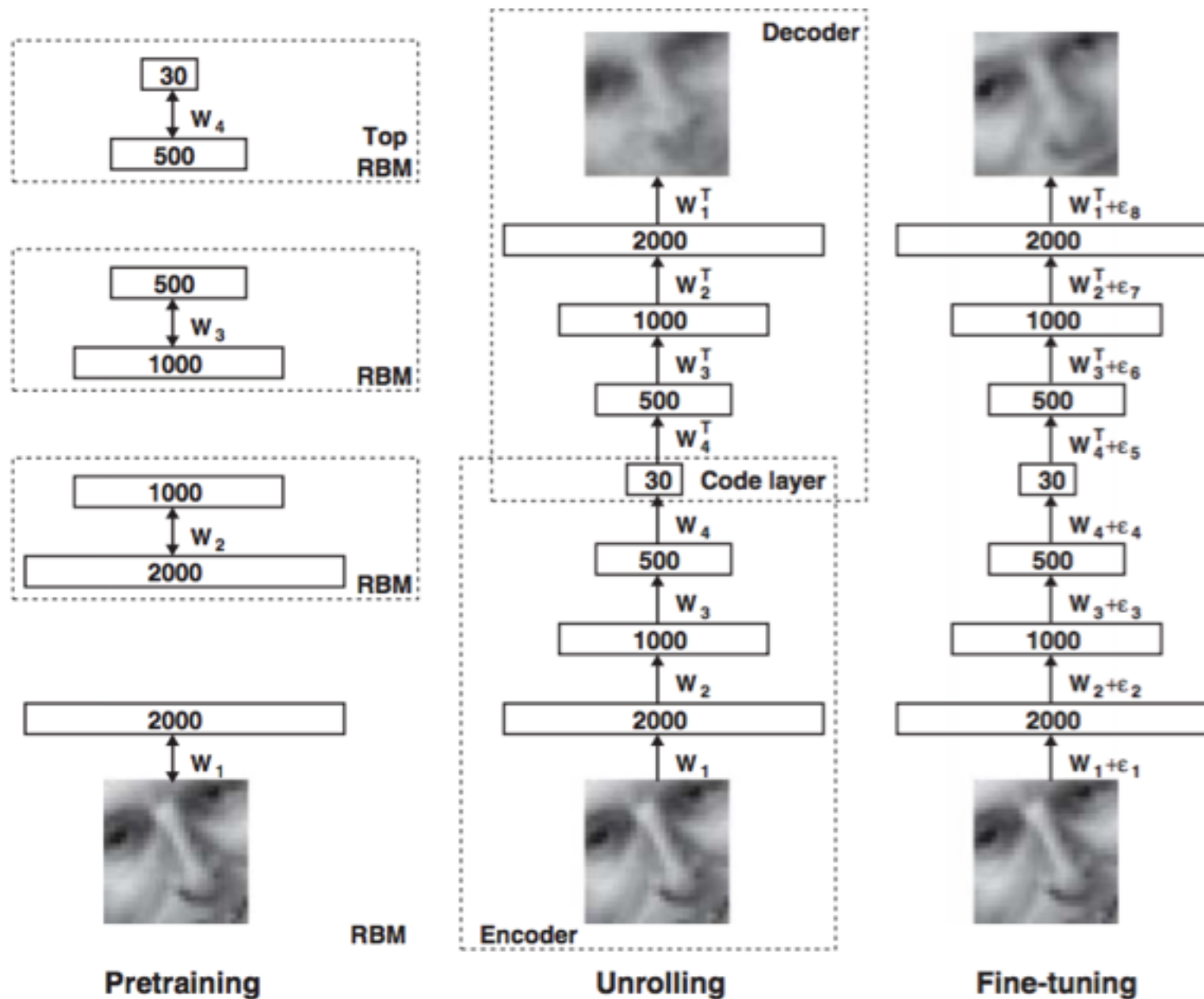
# Deep Learning

- Artificial Neural Networks
  - Hype in the 80s
  - Somewhere in-between supervised and unsupervised learning
- Interest declined in 90s and 00s
- 2006: some crucial papers by Geoffrey Hinton's group in Toronto
- 2016: *Big idea* of artificial intelligence. Lots of media and business attention





# Deep Learning



# Deep Learning

Imagenet: 1.2 miljoen plaatjes met 1000 klasse

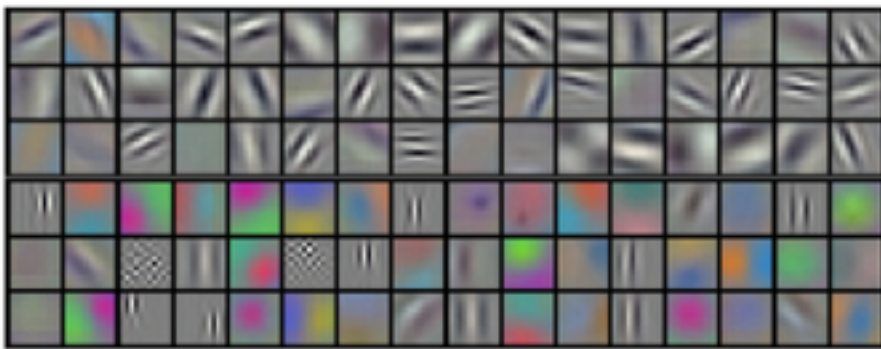
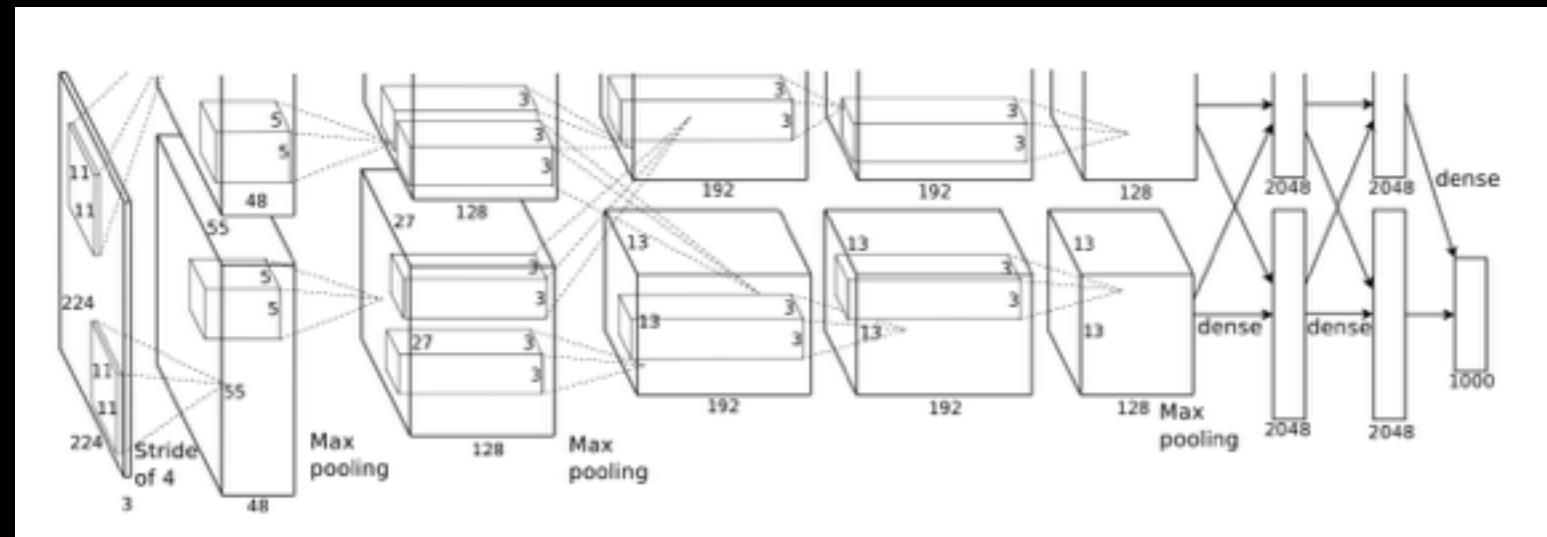


Figure 3: 96 convolutional kernels of size  $11 \times 11 \times 3$  learned by the first convolutional layer on the  $224 \times 224 \times 3$  input images. The top 48 kernels were learned on GPU 1 while the bottom 48 kernels were learned on GPU 2. See Section 6.1 for details.



# Deep Learning

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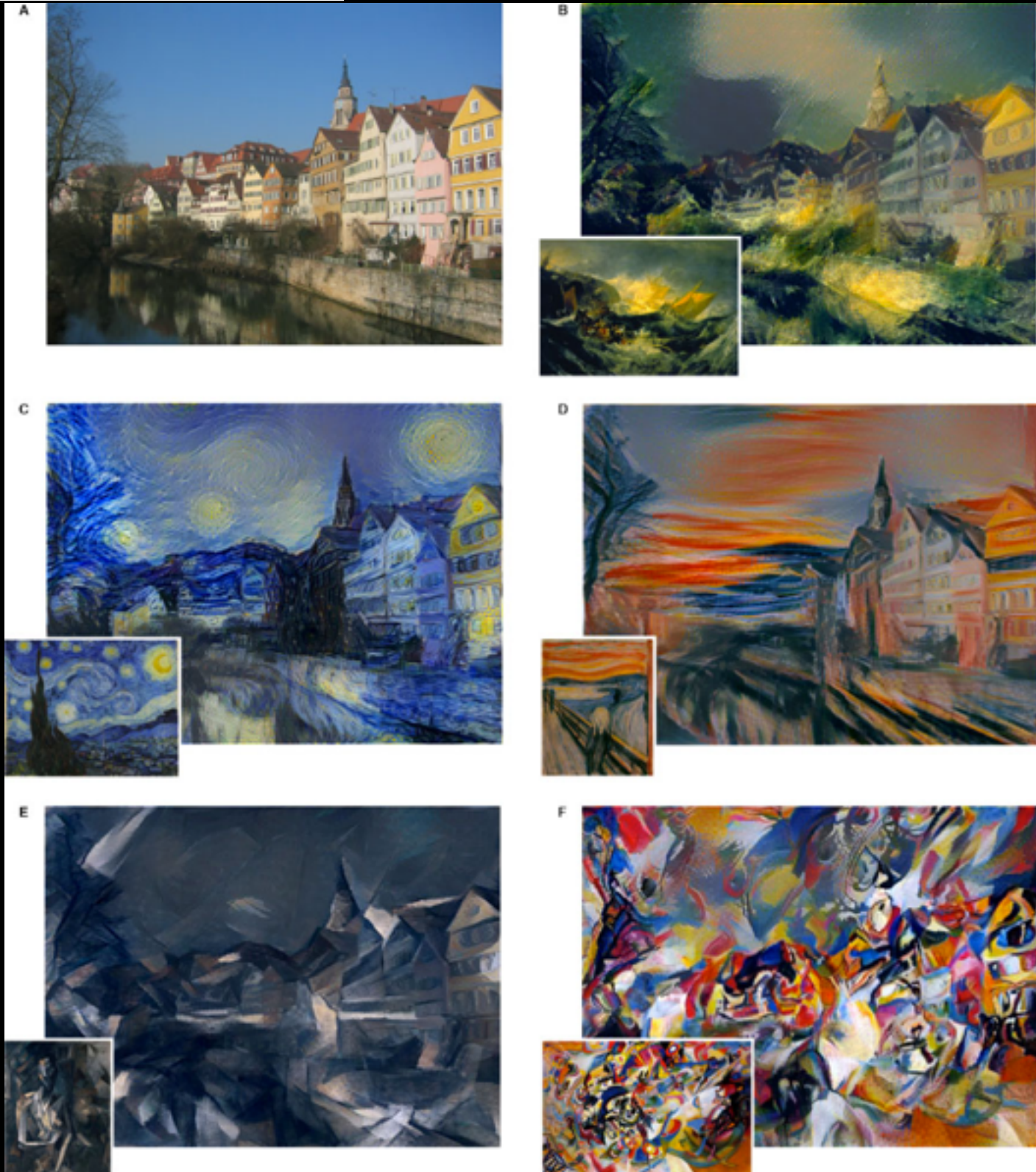
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Target Image	Similar Images Grid	Top Predictions
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		container ship, lifeboat, amphibian, fireboat, drilling platform
		motor scooter, go-kart, moped, bumper car, golfcart
		leopard, jaguar, cheetah, snow leopard, Egyptian cat
		convertible, grille, pickup, beach wagon, fire engine
		agaric, mushroom, jelly fungus, gill fungus, dead-man's-fingers
		dalmatian, grape, elderberry, ffordshire bulterrier, currant
		squirrel monkey, spider monkey, titi, indri, howler monkey



# A Neural Algorithm of Artistic Style

Leon A. Gatys,<sup>1,2,3\*</sup> Alexander S. Ecker,<sup>1,2,4,5</sup> Matthias Bethge<sup>1,2,4</sup>





# Inceptionism: Going deeper into Neural Networks

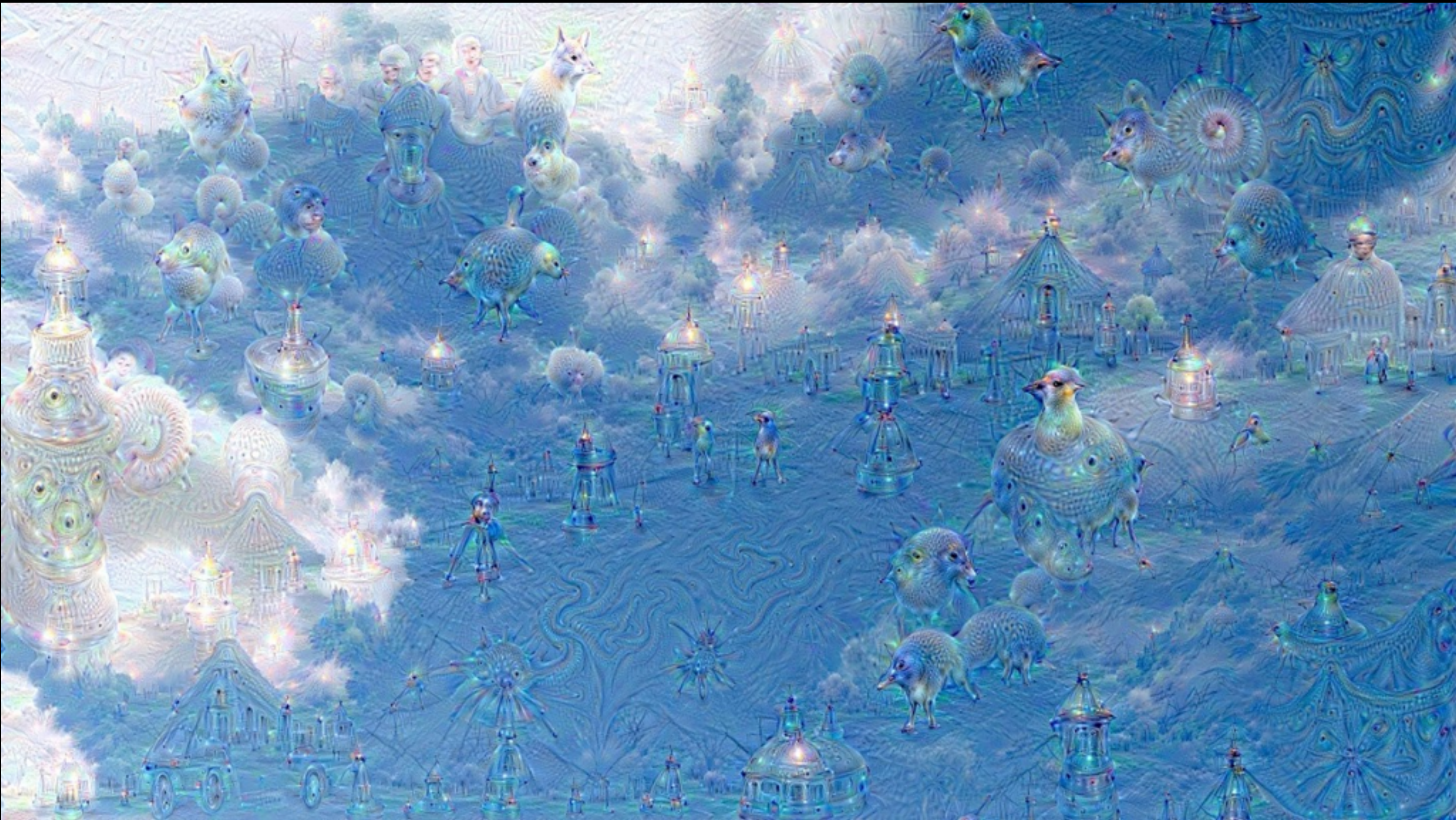
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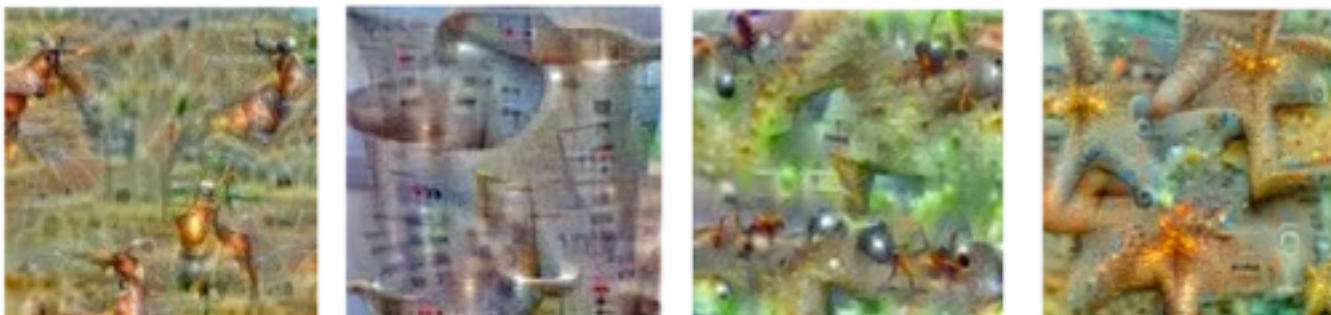
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Hartebeest

Measuring Cup

Ant

Starfish



Anemone Fish

Banana

Parachute

Screw



# Inceptionism: Going deeper into Neural Networks

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# Show and Tell: A Neural Image Caption Generator

Oriol Vinyals  
Google

A person riding a motorcycle on a dirt road.



Alexander Toshev  
Google

Two dogs play in the grass.



Samy Bengio  
Google

A skateboarder does a trick on a ramp.



Dumitru Erhan  
Google

A dog is jumping to catch a frisbee.



A group of young people playing a game of frisbee.



Two hockey players are fighting over the puck.



A little girl in a pink hat is blowing bubbles.



A refrigerator filled with lots of food and drinks.



A herd of elephants walking across a dry grass field.



A close up of a cat laying on a couch.



A red motorcycle parked on the side of the road.



A yellow school bus parked in a parking lot.



Describes without errors

Describes with minor errors

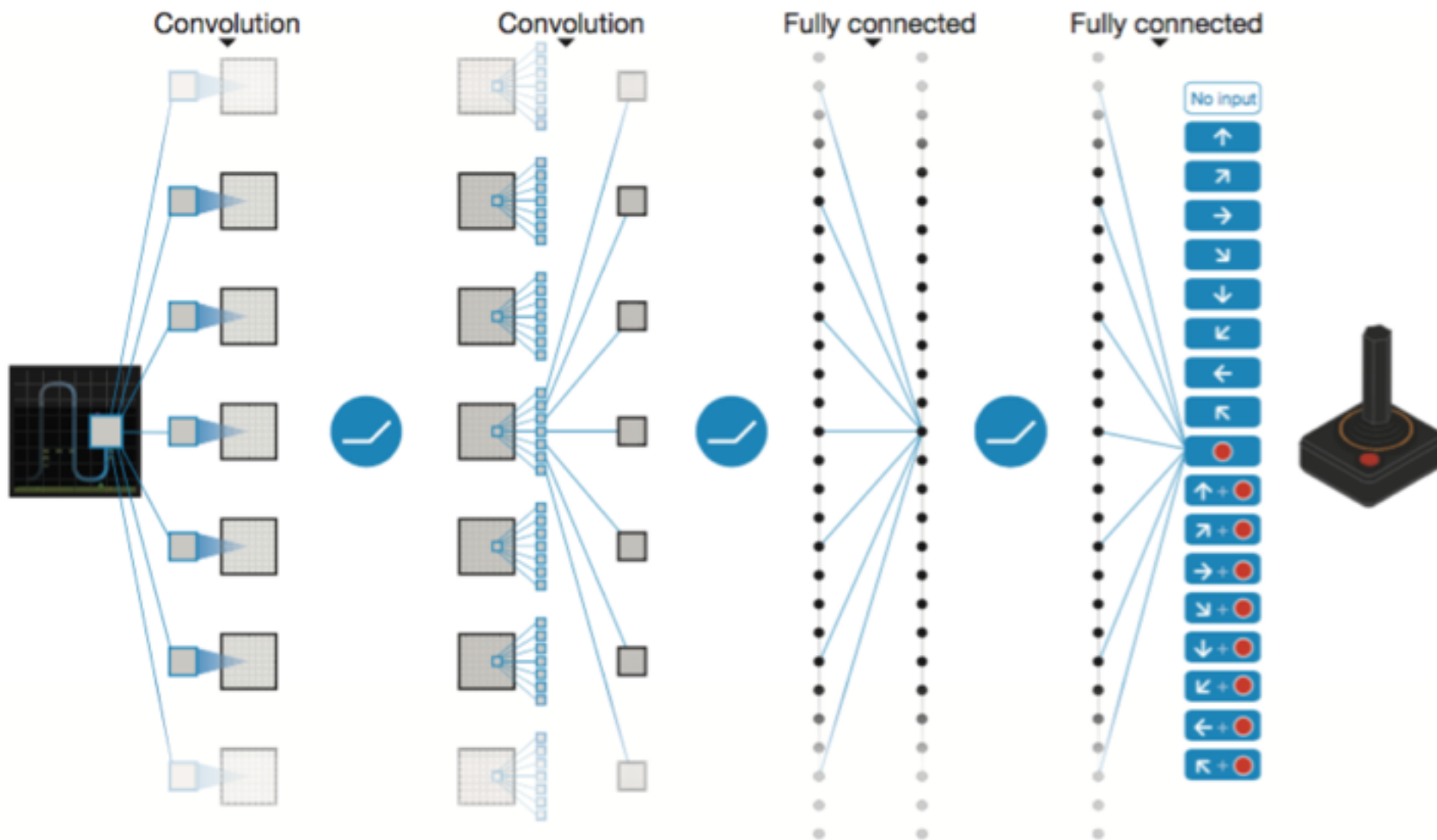
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## Human-level control through deep reinforcement learning

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**Figure 1 | Schematic illustration of the convolutional neural network.** The details of the architecture are explained in the Methods. The input to the neural network consists of an  $84 \times 84 \times 4$  image produced by the preprocessing map  $\phi$ , followed by three convolutional layers (note: snaking blue line

symbolizes sliding of each filter across input image) and two fully connected layers with a single output for each valid action. Each hidden layer is followed by a rectifier nonlinearity (that is,  $\max(0, x)$ ).



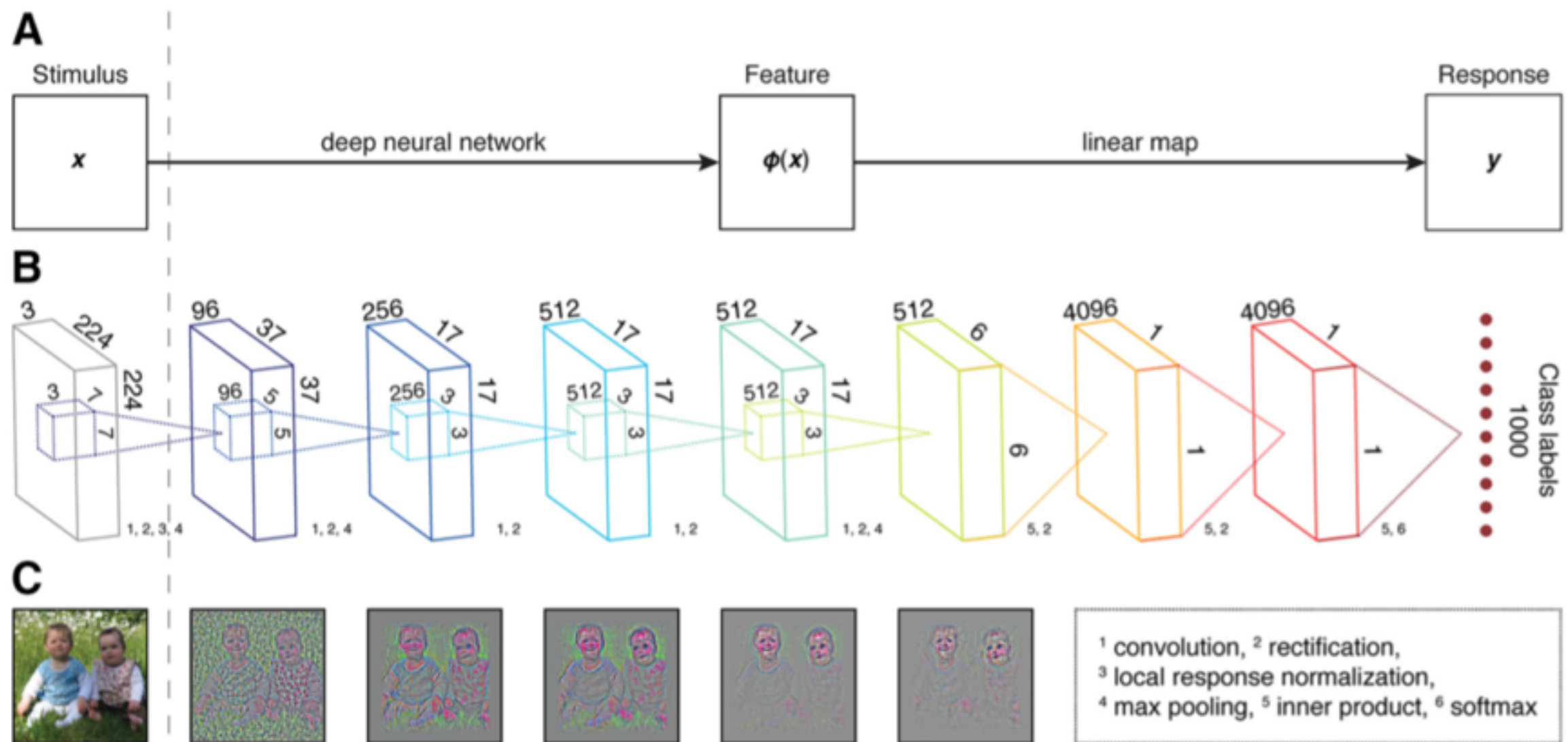




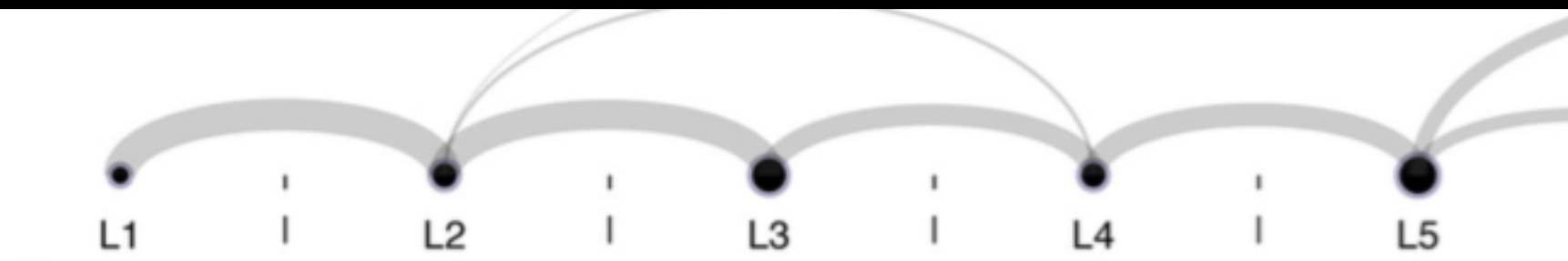
# Deep Neural Networks Reveal a Gradient in the Complexity of Neural Representations across the Ventral Stream

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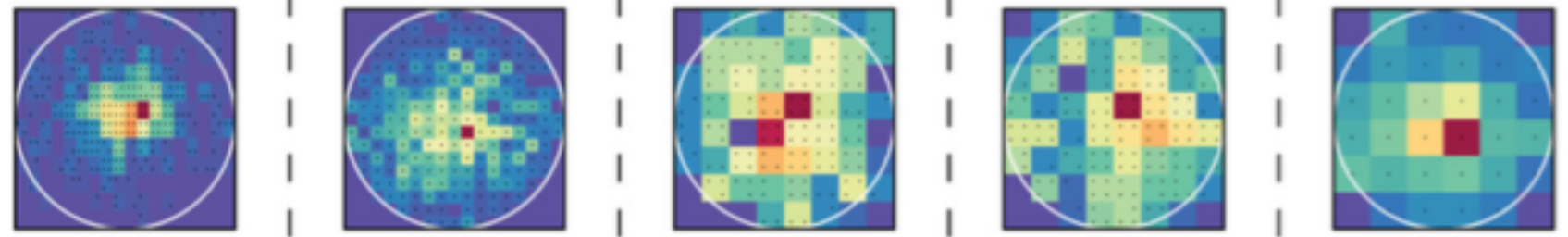
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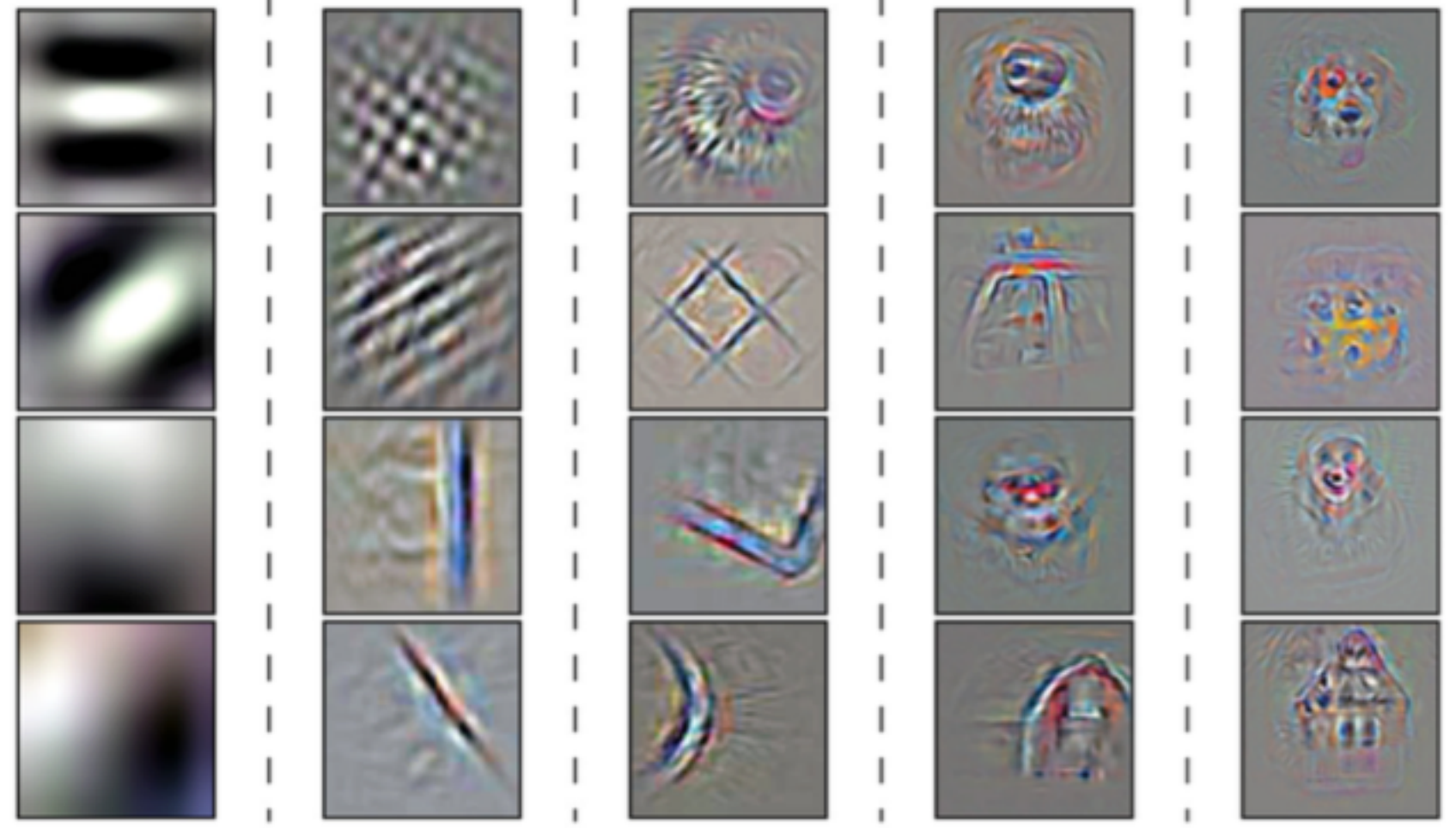
**Figure 1.** DNN-based encoding framework. **A**, Schematic of the encoding model that transforms a visual stimulus to a voxel response in two stages. First, a deep (convolutional) neural network transforms the visual stimulus ( $x$ ) to multiple layers of feature representations. Then, a linear mapping transforms a layer of feature representations to a voxel response ( $y$ ). **B**, Schematic of the deep neural network where each layer of artificial neurons uses one or more of the following (non)linear transformations: convolution, rectification, local response normalization, max pooling, inner product, and softmax. **C**, Reconstruction of an example image from the activities in the first five layers.



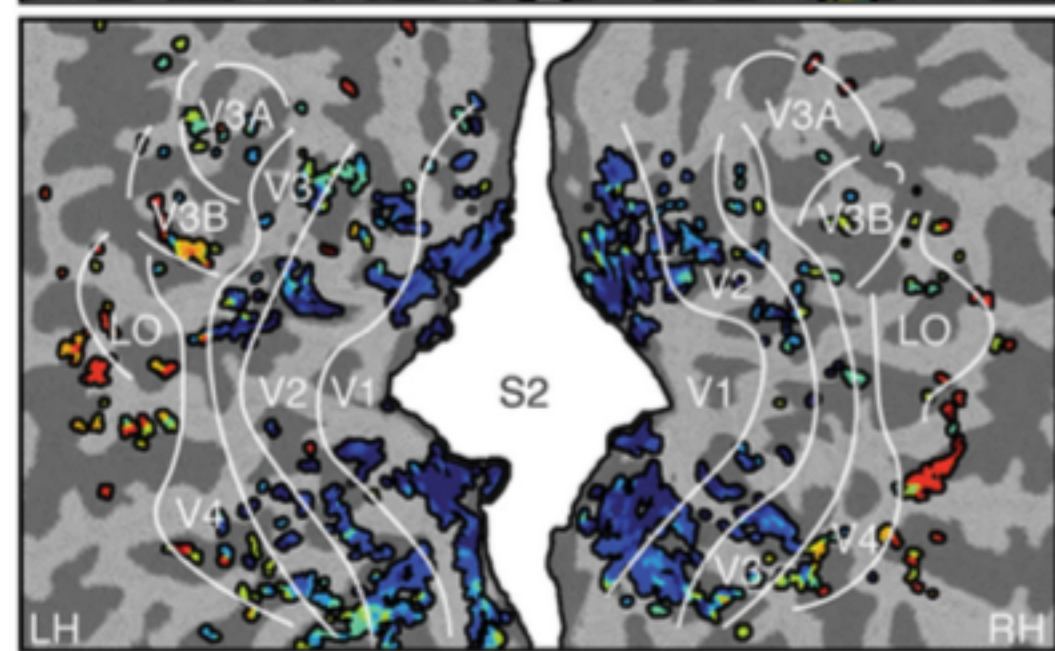
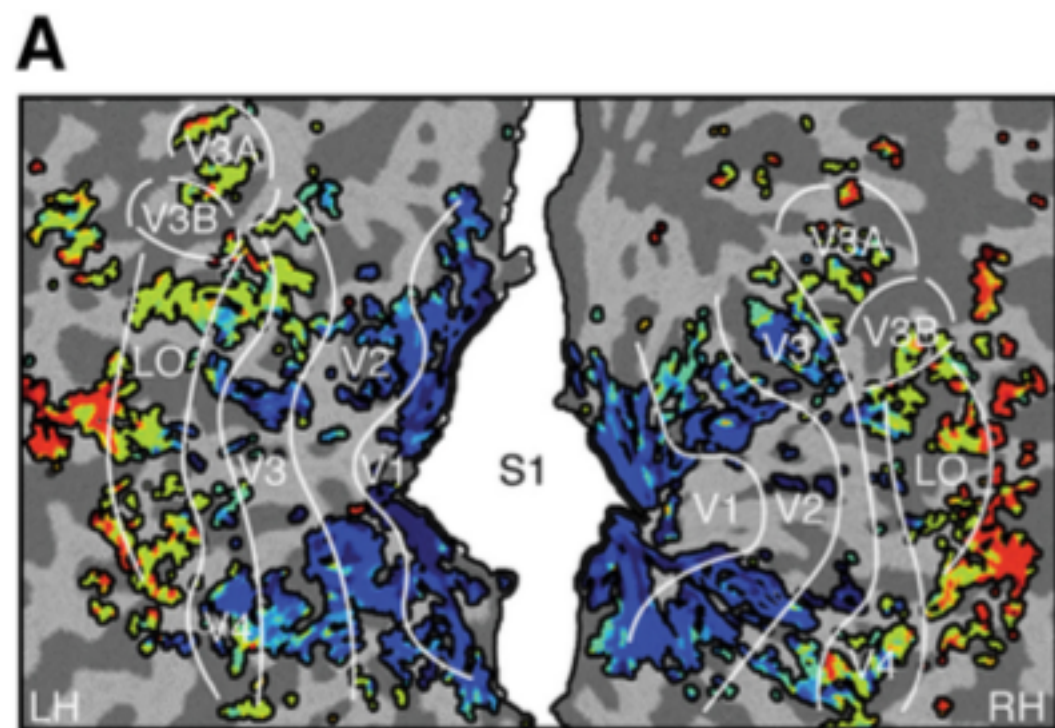
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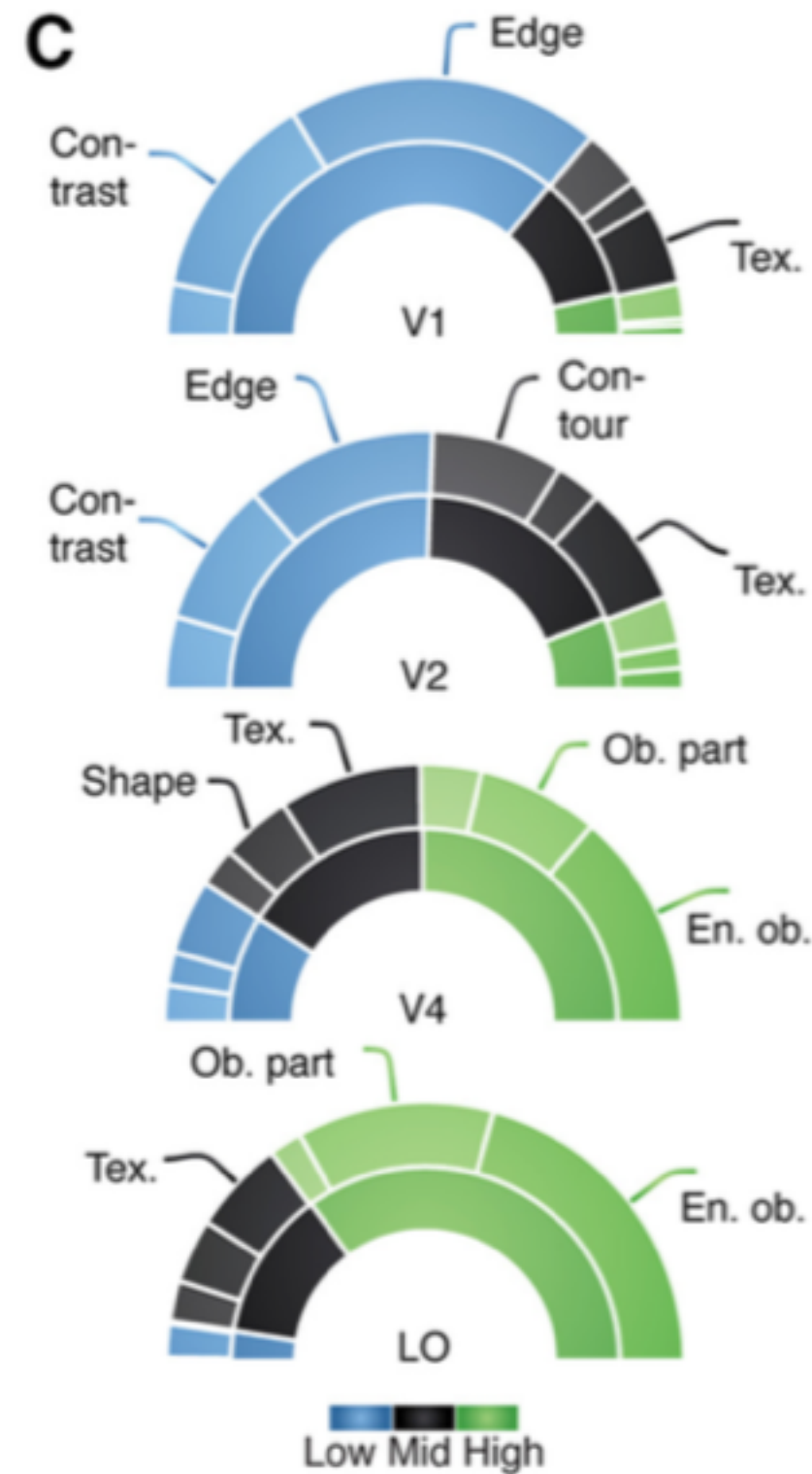
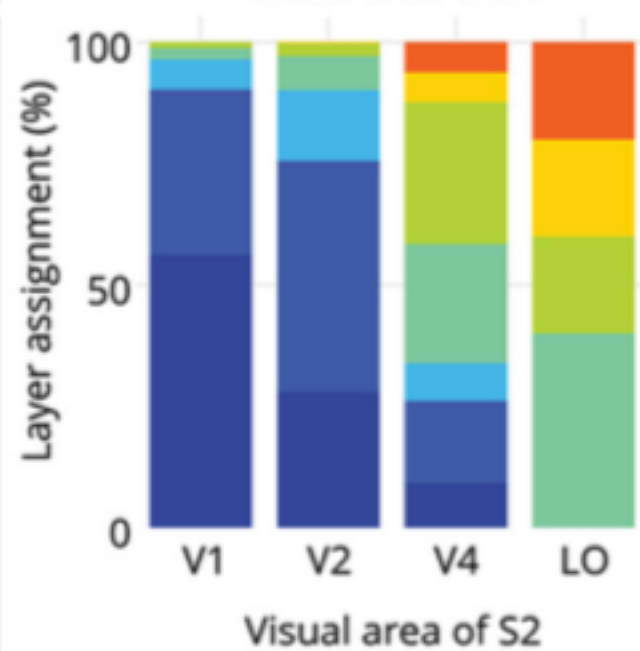
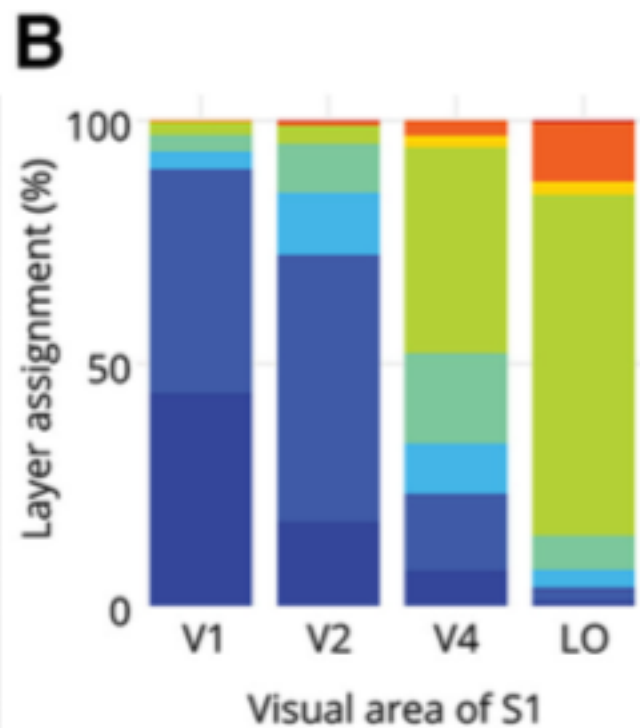
**C**







1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
Layer assignment (#)



# Anti-deep learners

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## Human-level concept learning through probabilistic program induction

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# Category learning

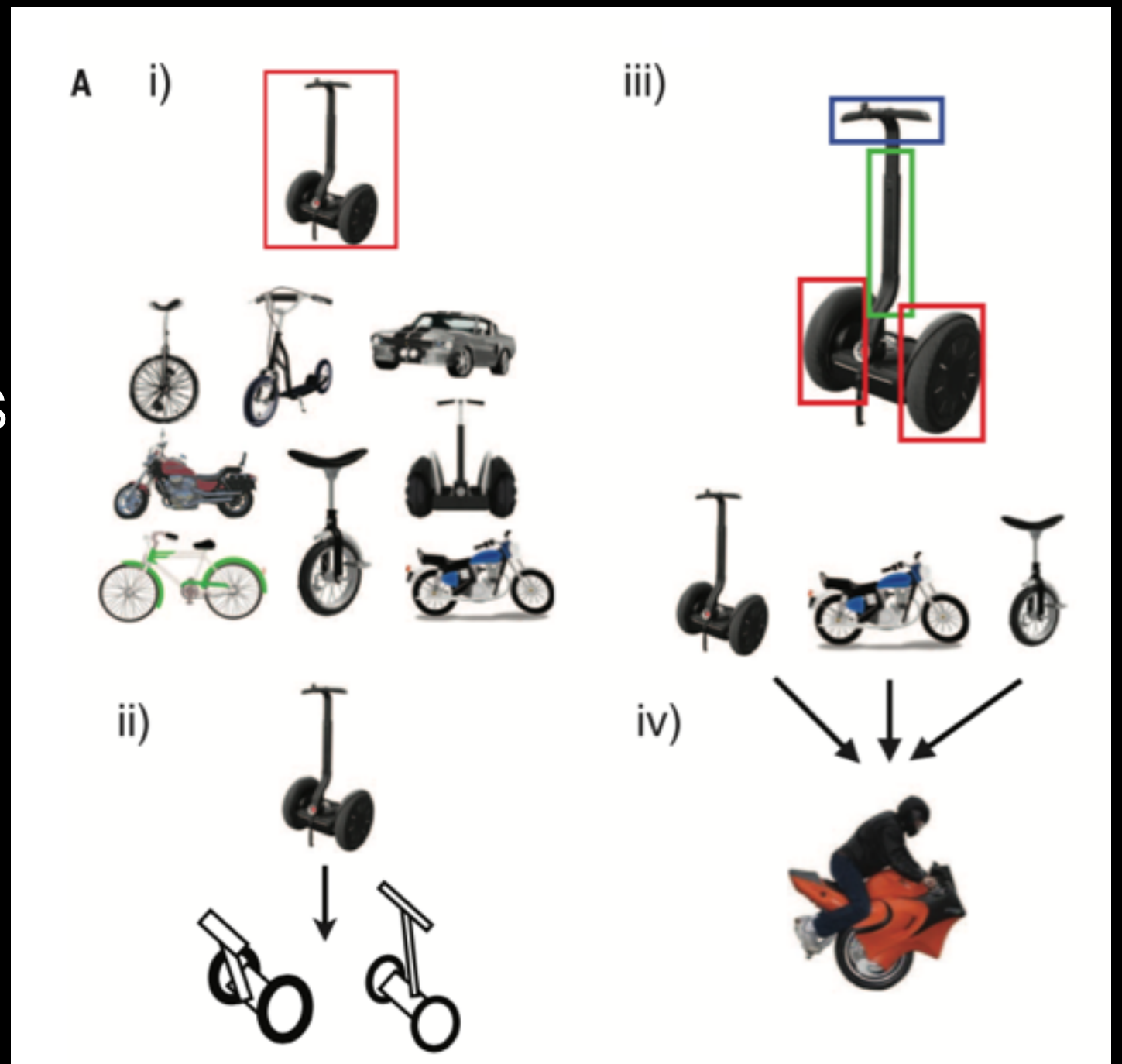
- What is a house? What is a horse? When does a giraffe become a horse?
- How many giraffes do you have to show a child before it understands what a giraffe is?
  - *Sparse data*
  - *Generalising*





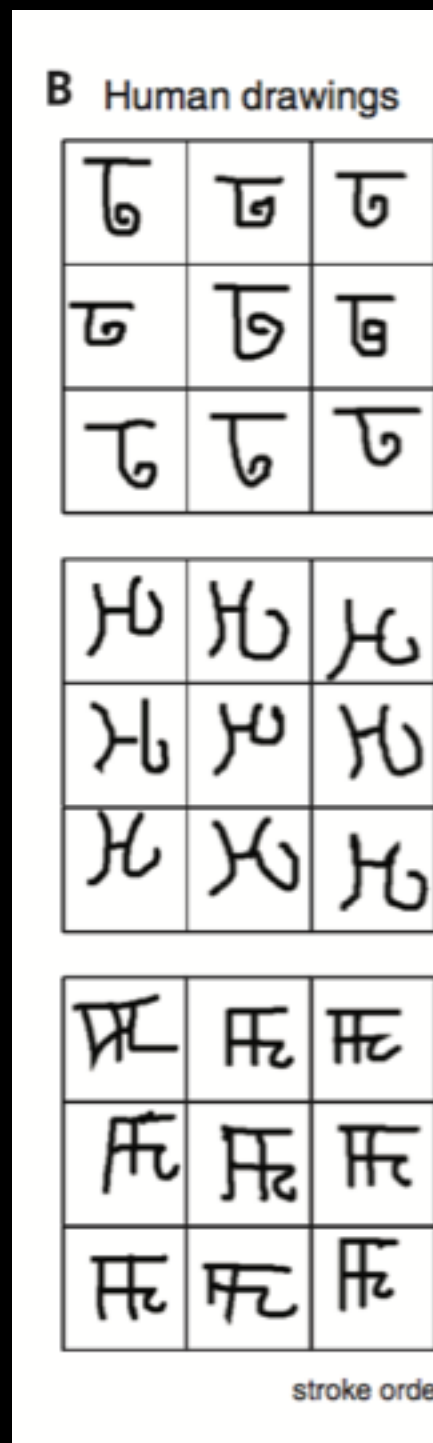
# Category learning

- Deep learning needs hundreds of examples to learn categories.
- They don't use *structural priors*



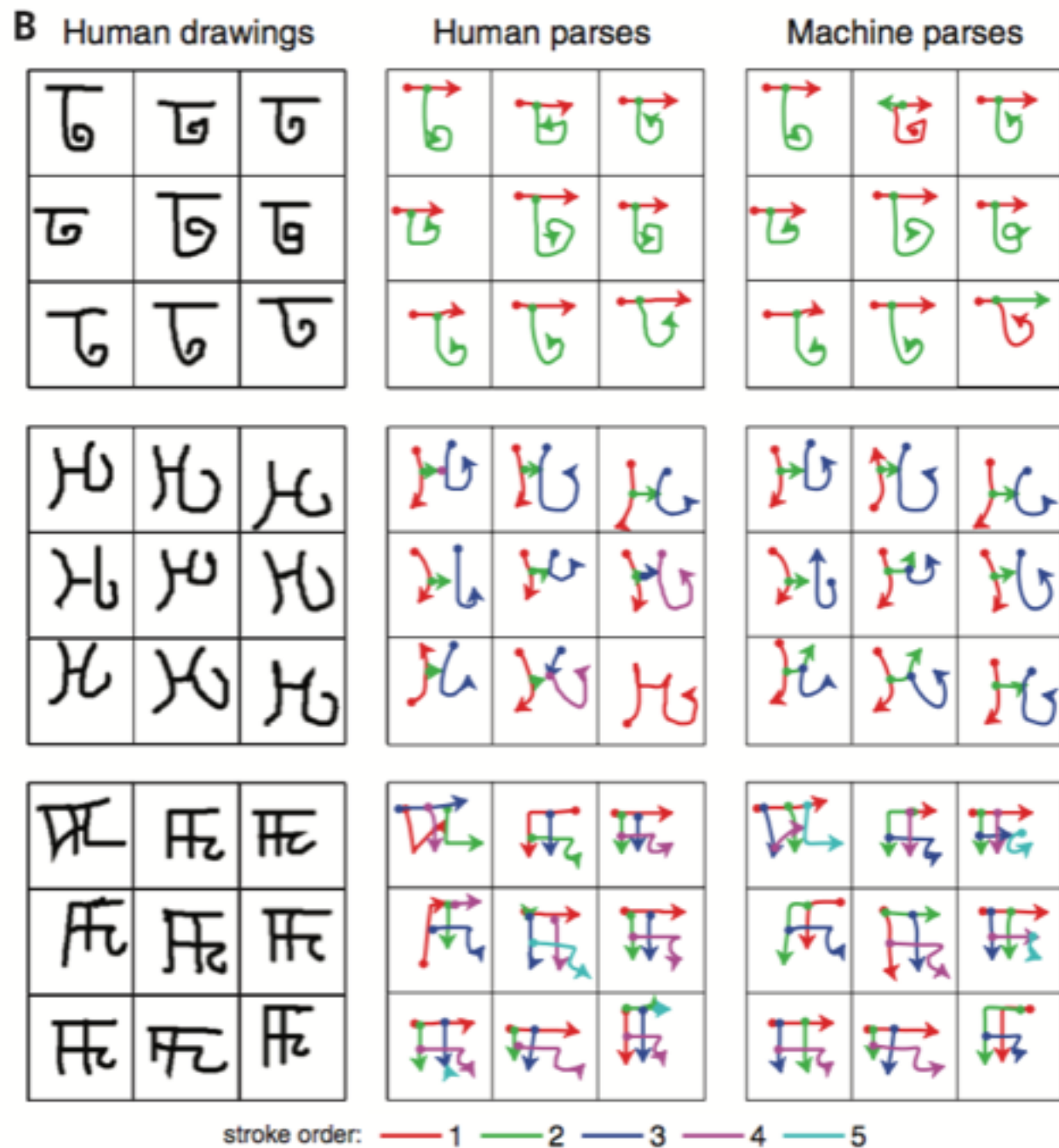


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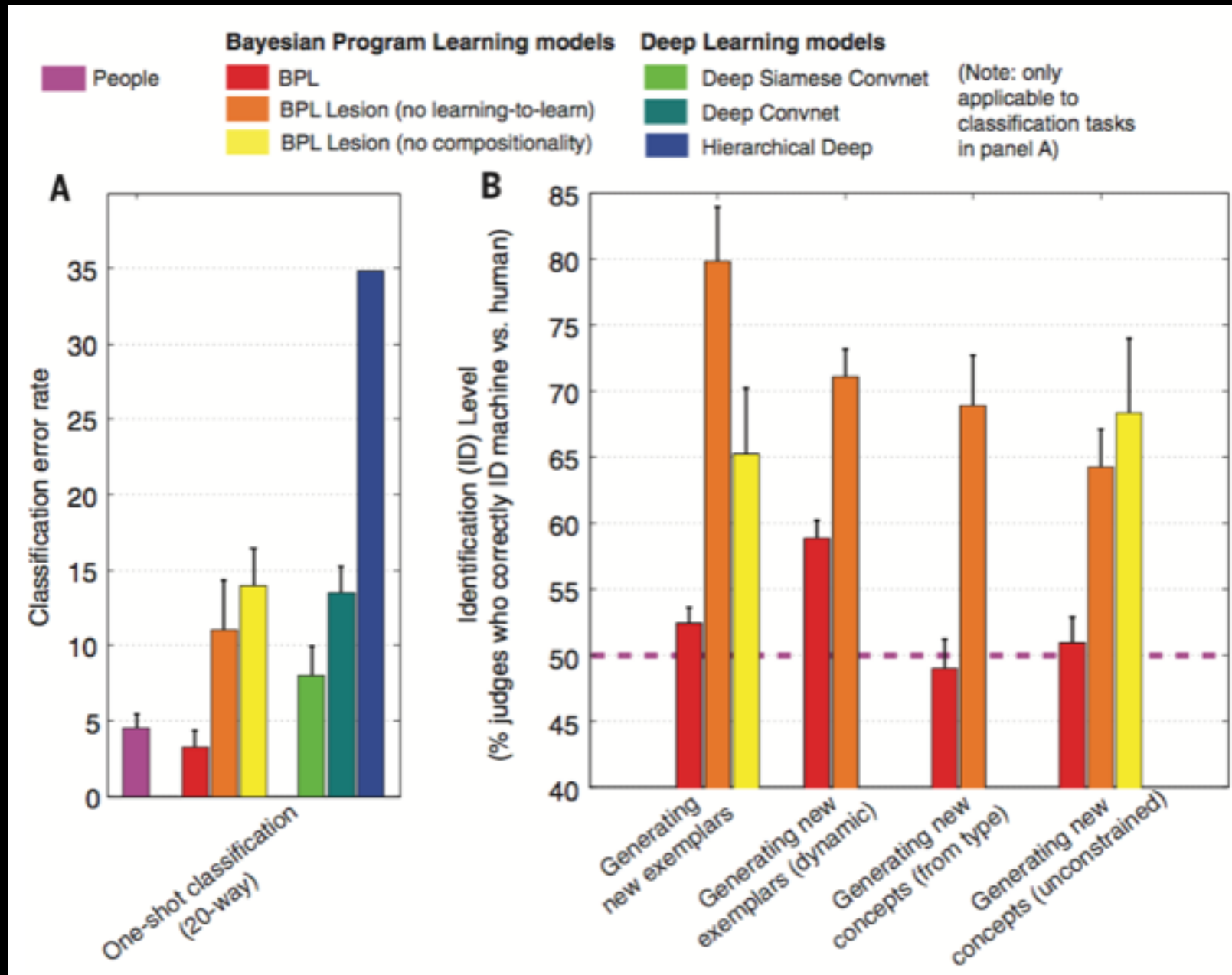
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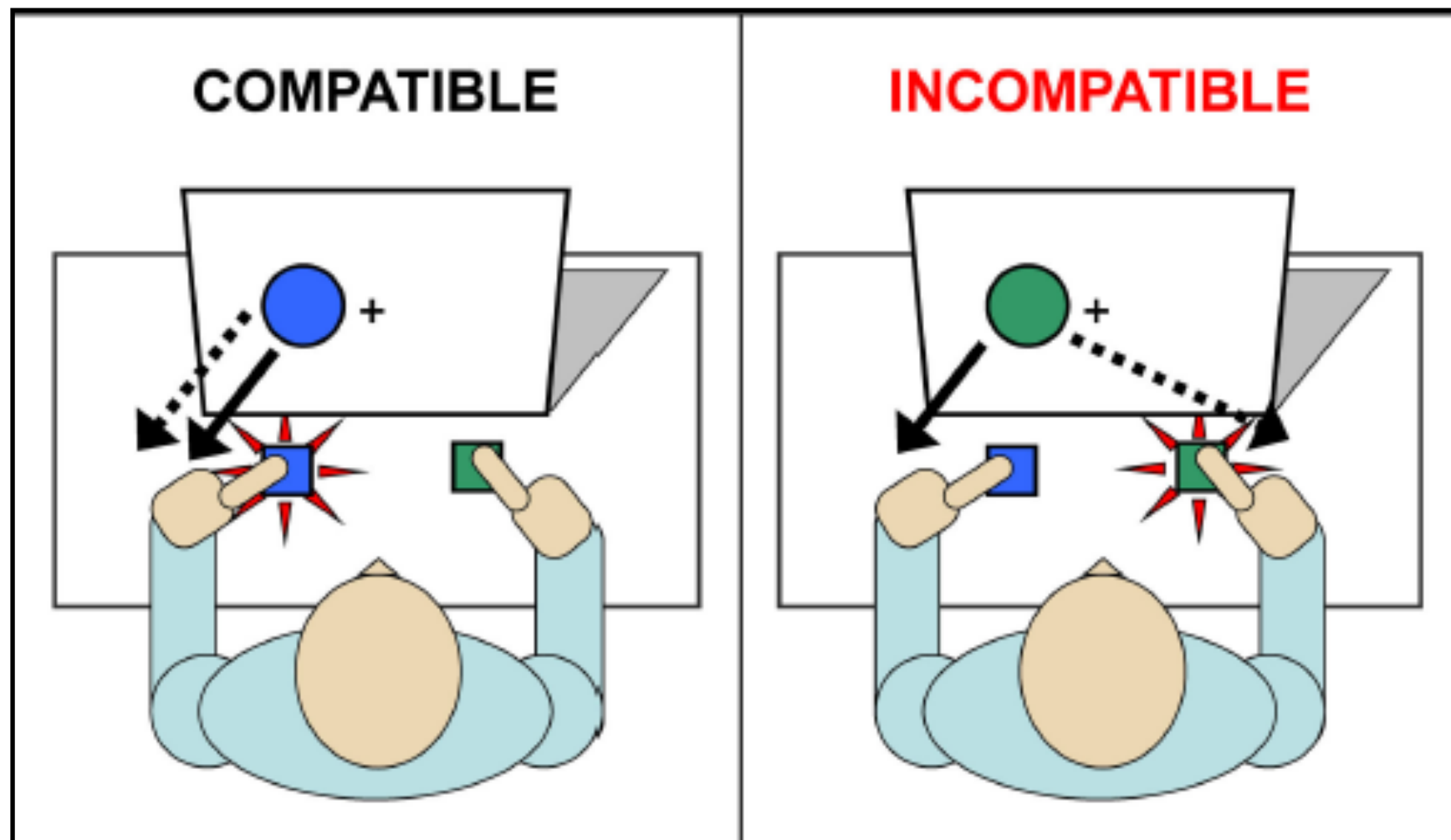


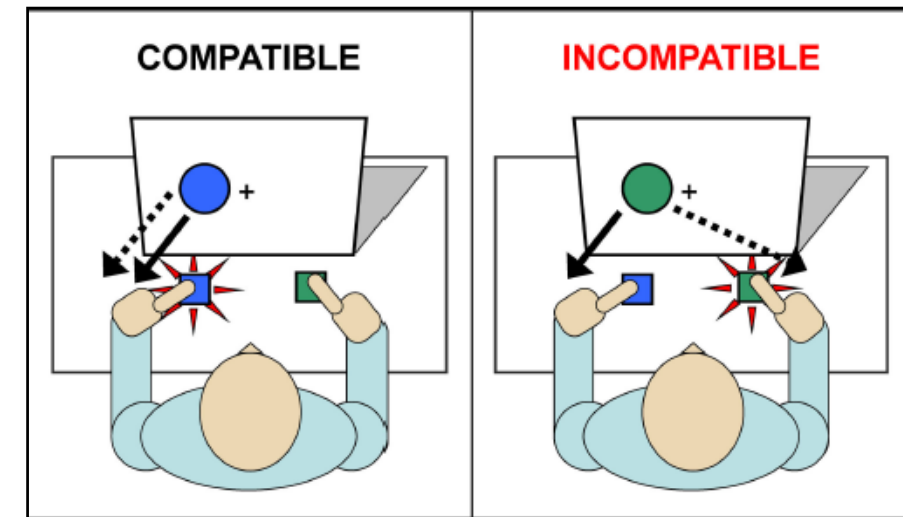
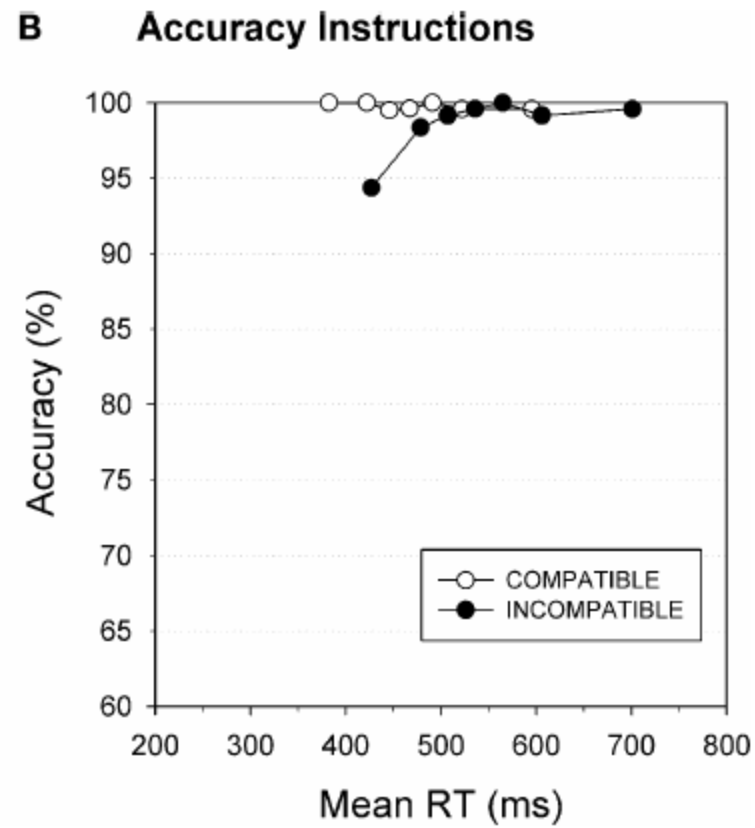
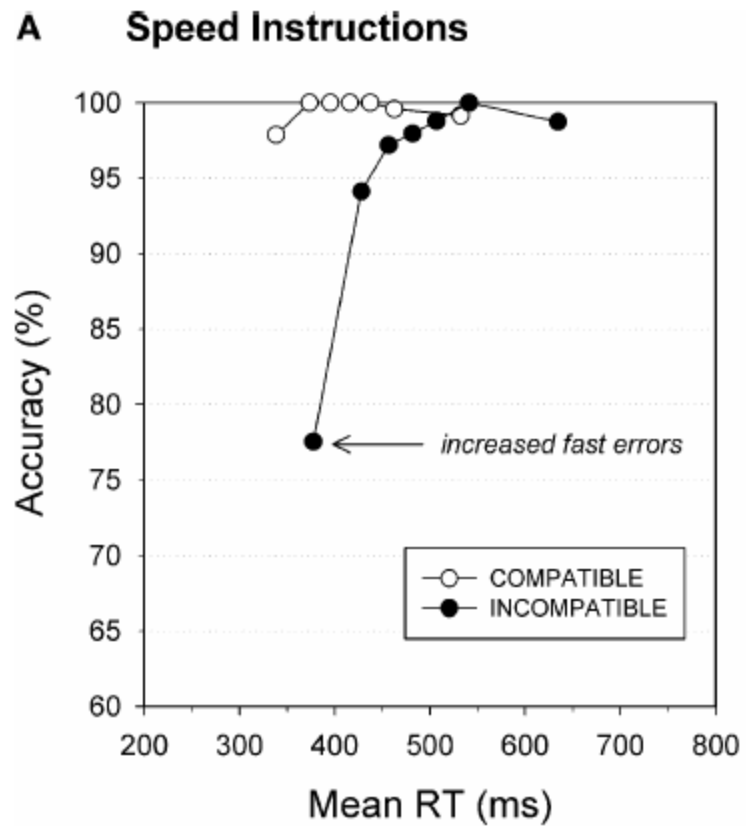
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# Simon task

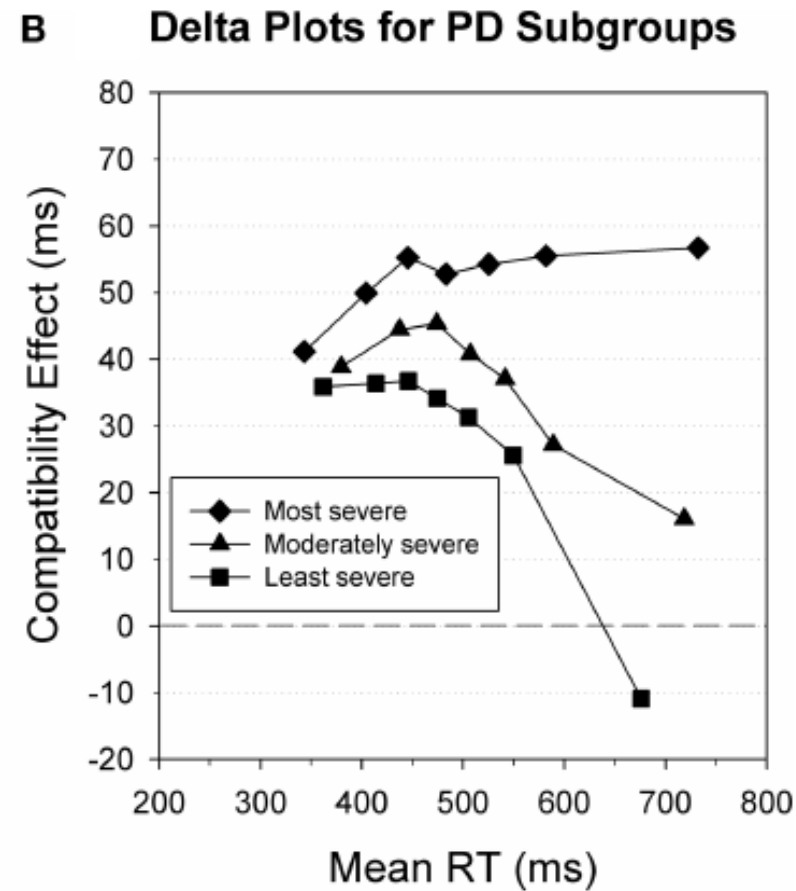
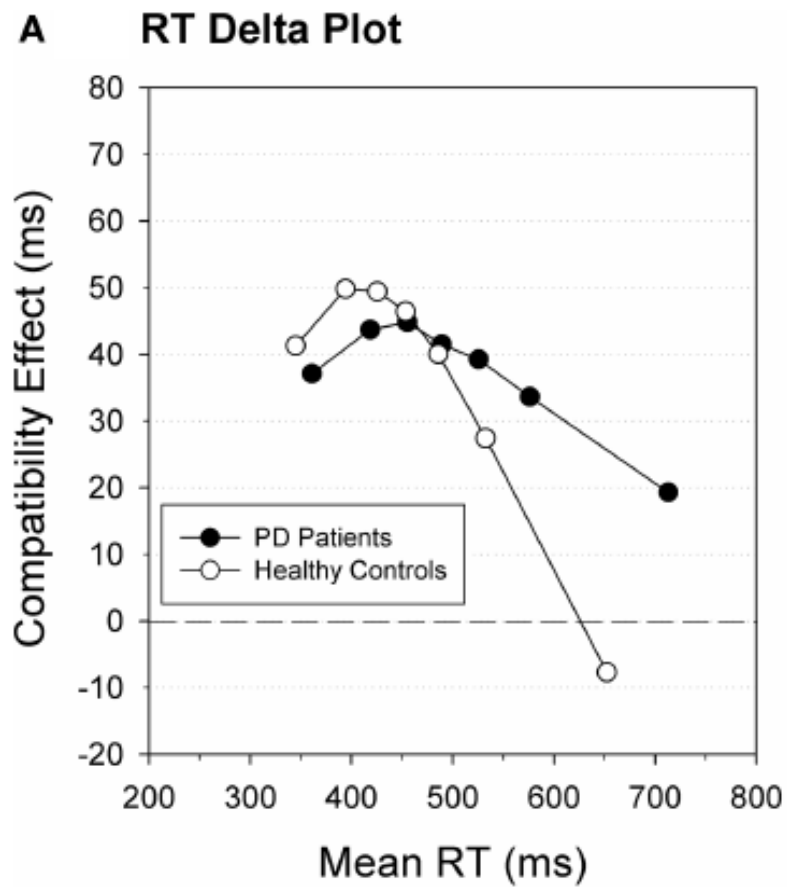


Simon task taps on the executive control function that **inhibits irrelevant response**



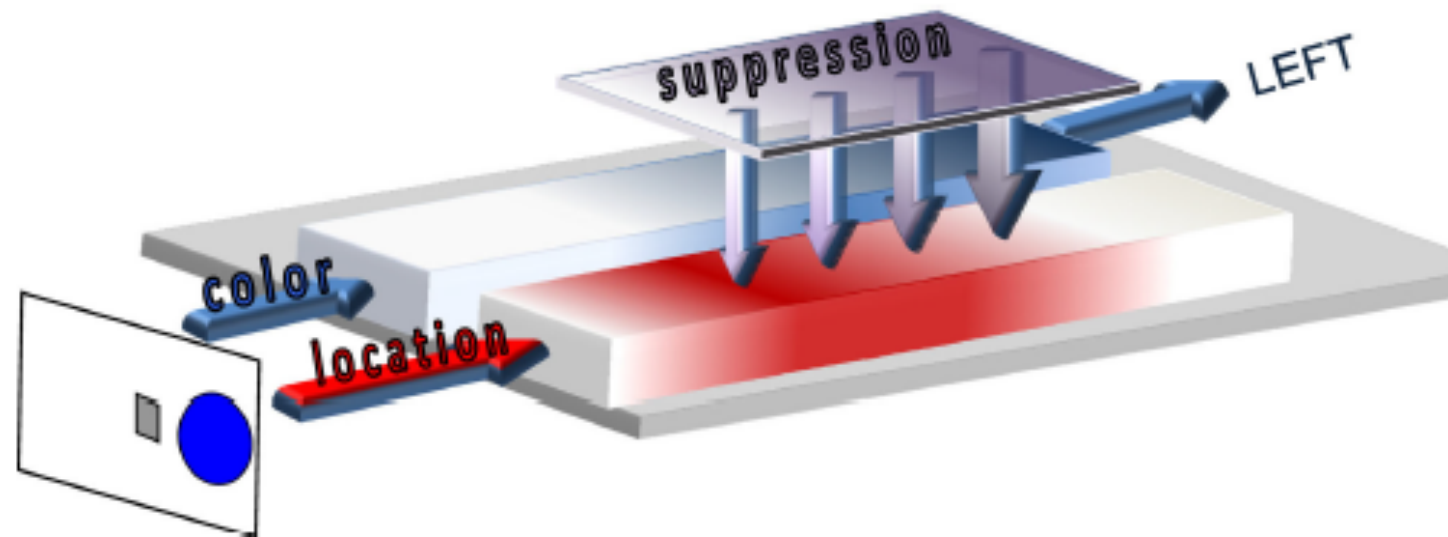


(Wylie, et al., 2009)



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# 1. Activation-suppression model



(Van Den Wildenberg, et al., 2010; De Jong et al., 1994; Ridderinkhof, 2002)

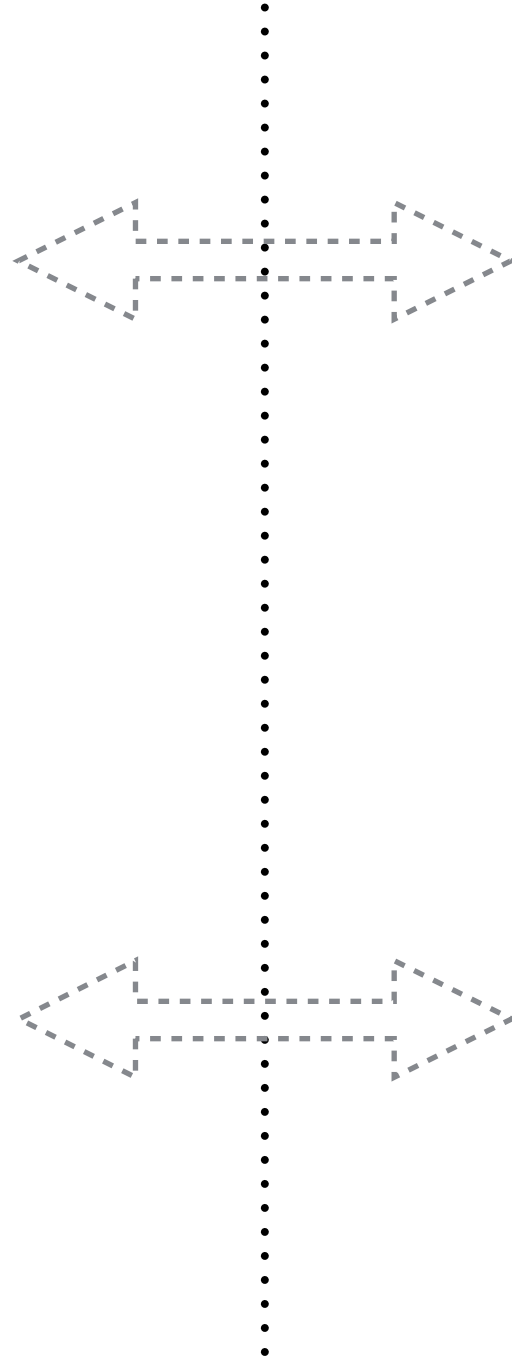
# 2. Passive decay of the spatial attribute (Hommel, 1994)

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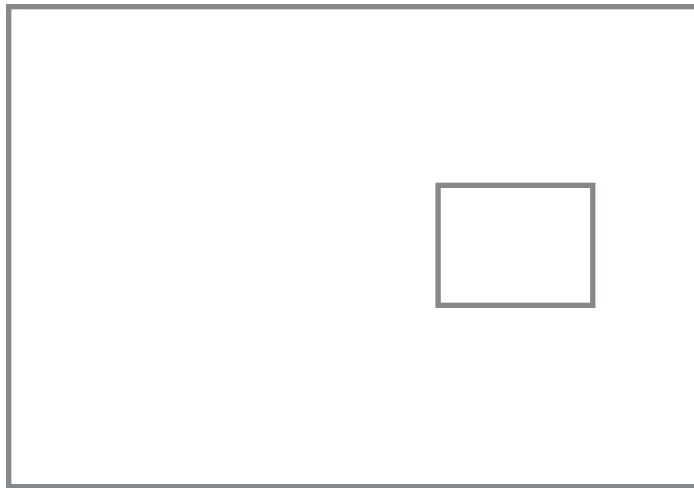
□ = Right response



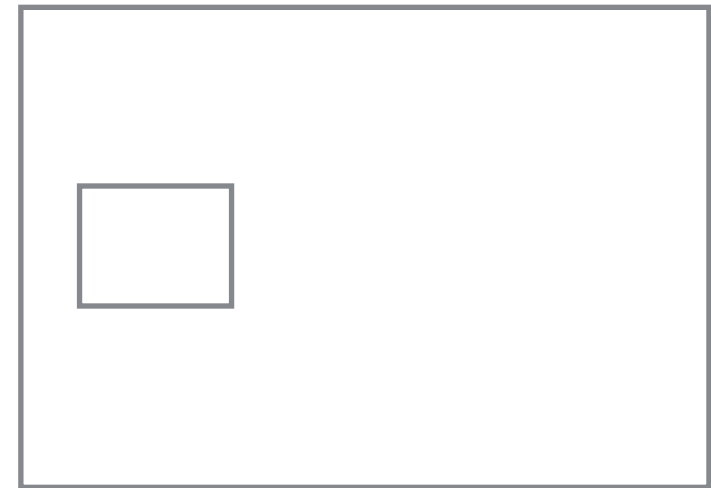
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Right



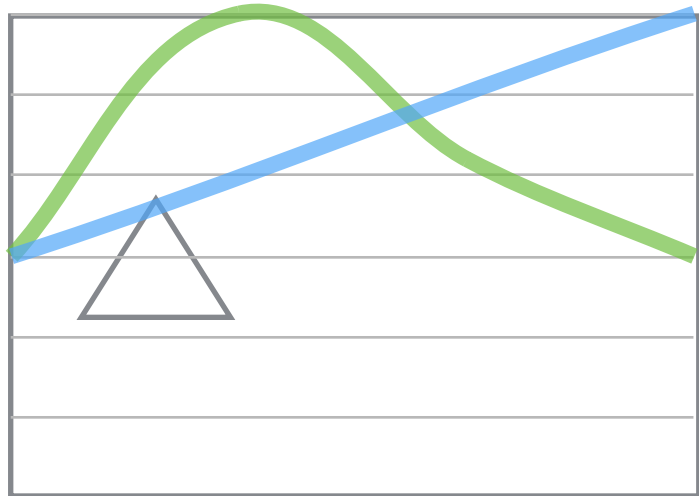
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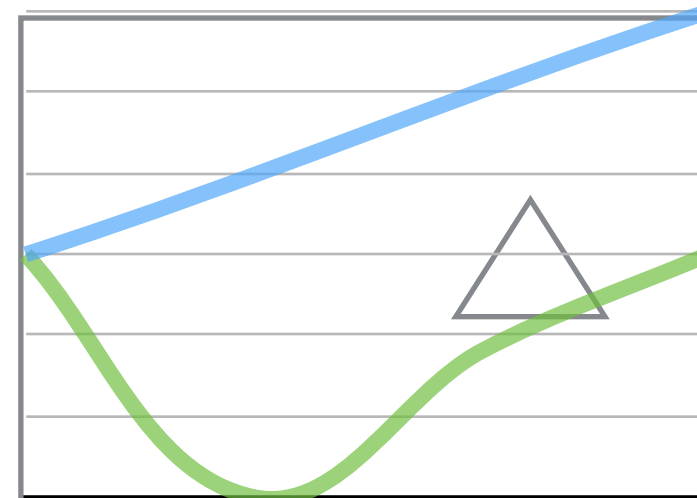
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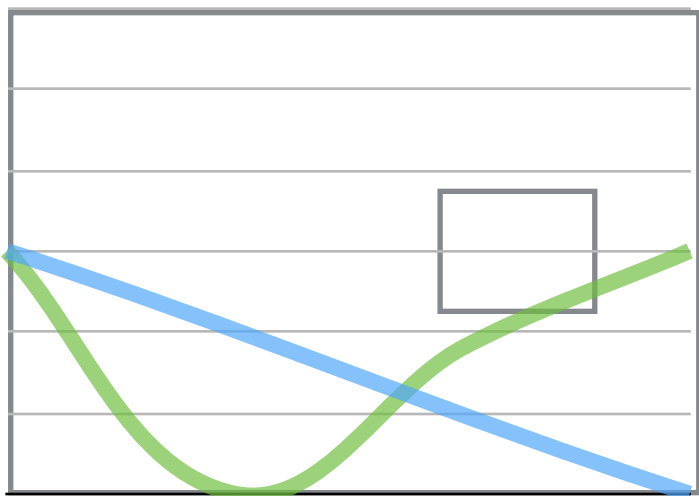
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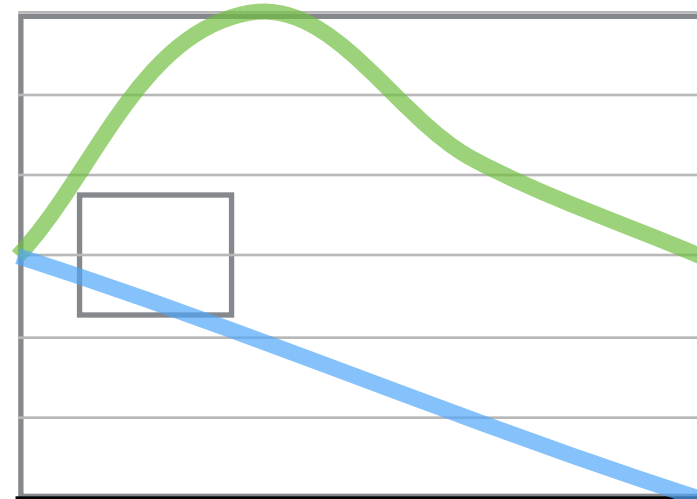


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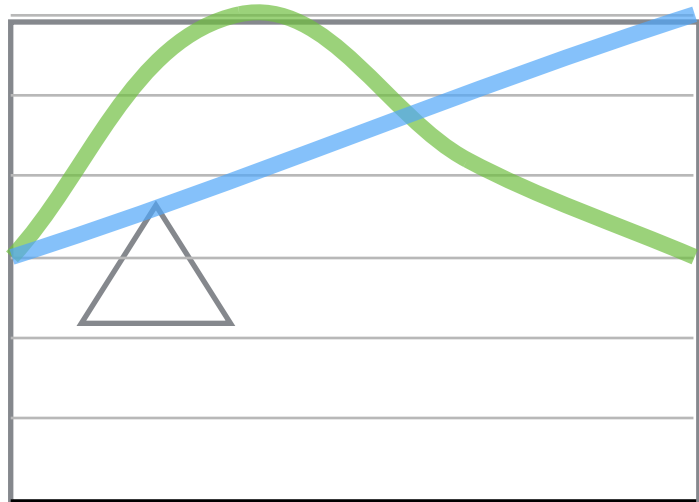
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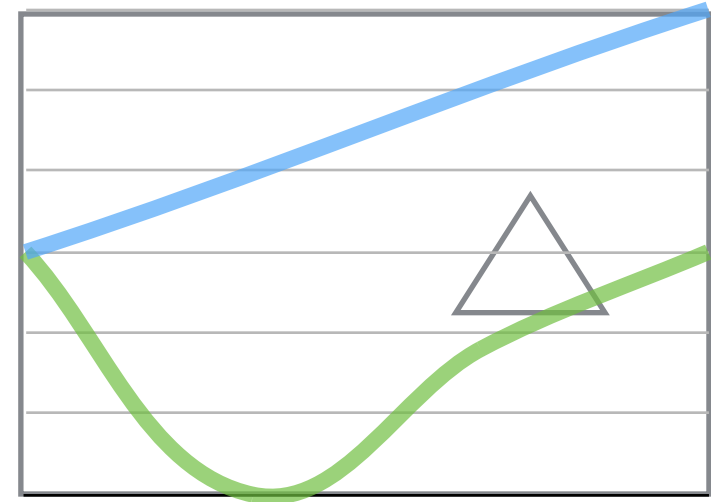
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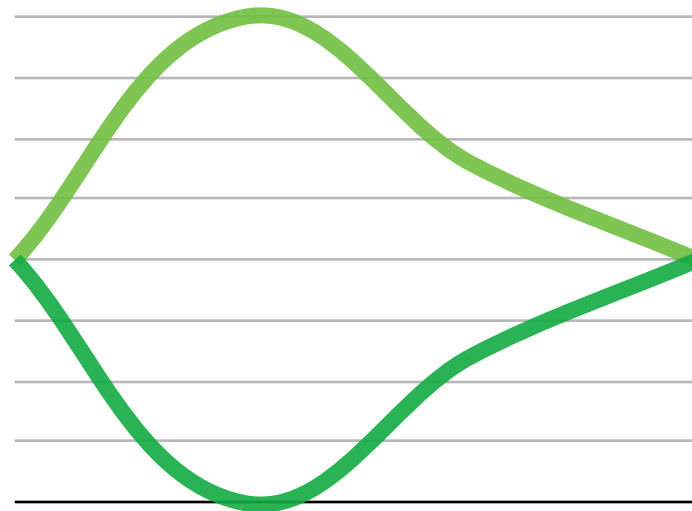


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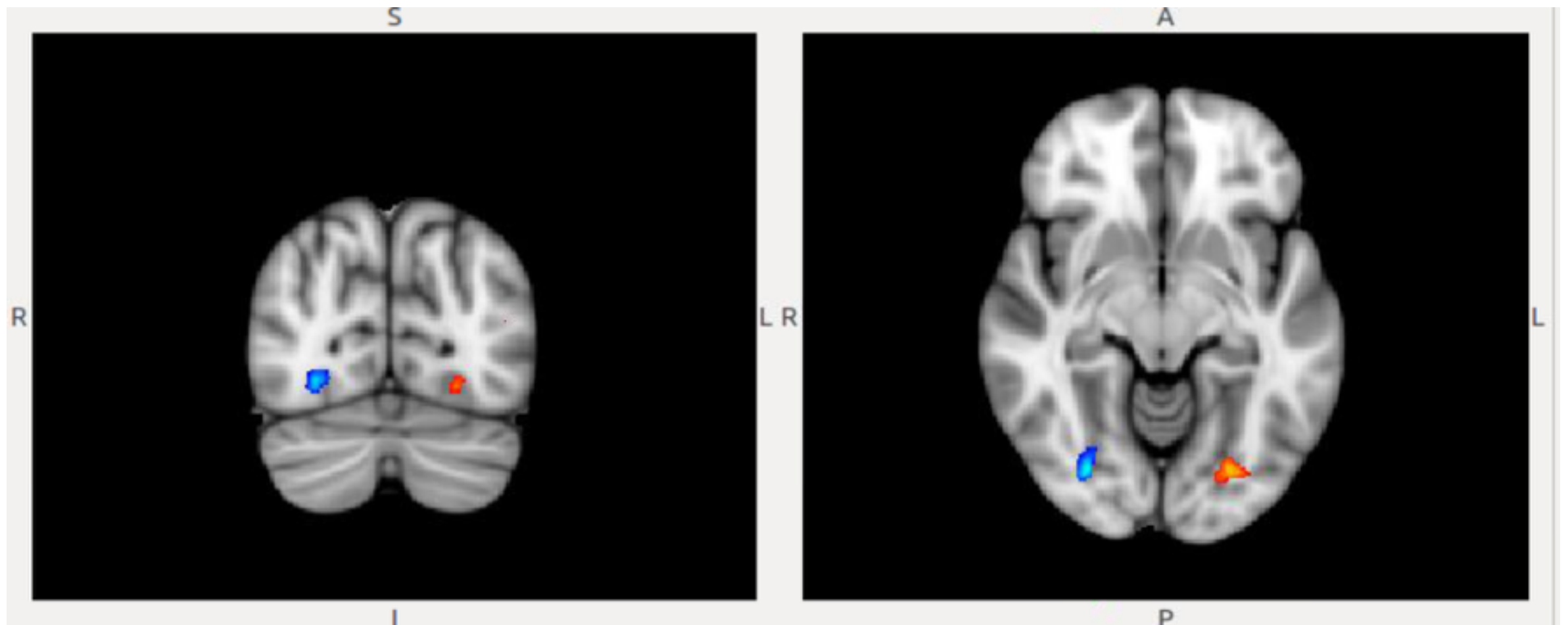
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*Incongruent > congruent (same response hand)*

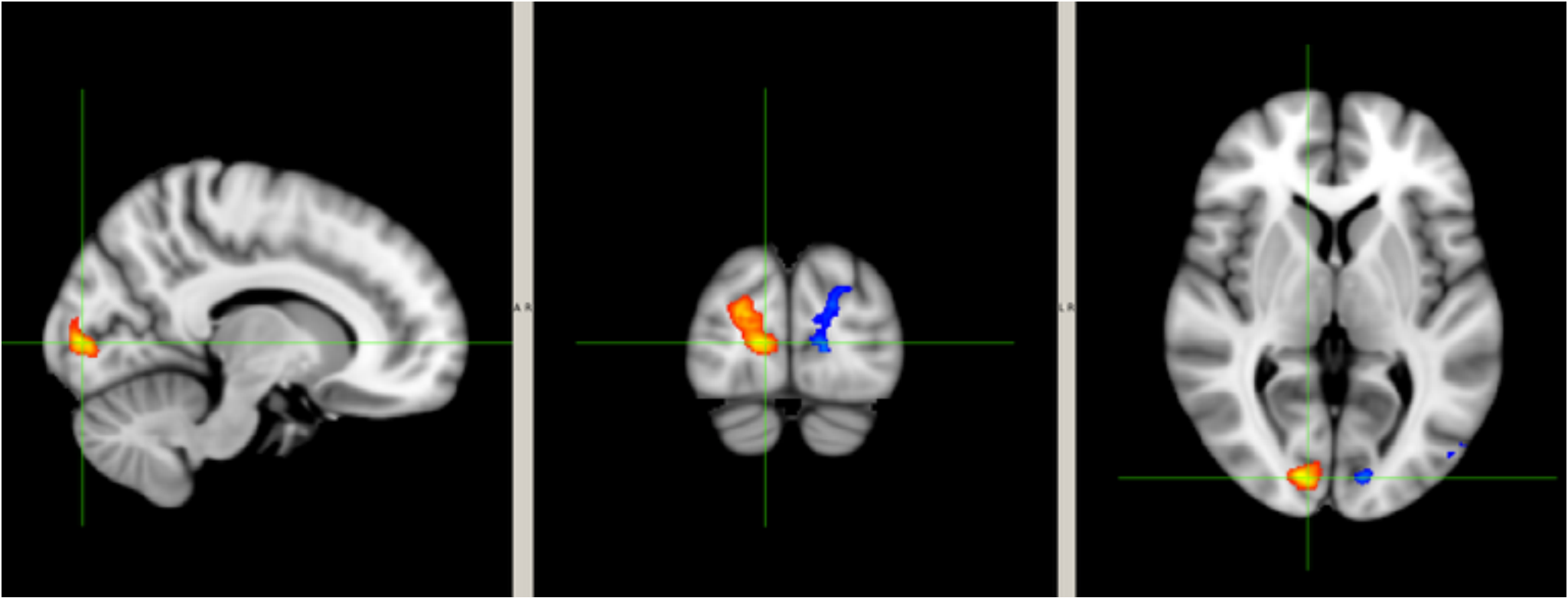
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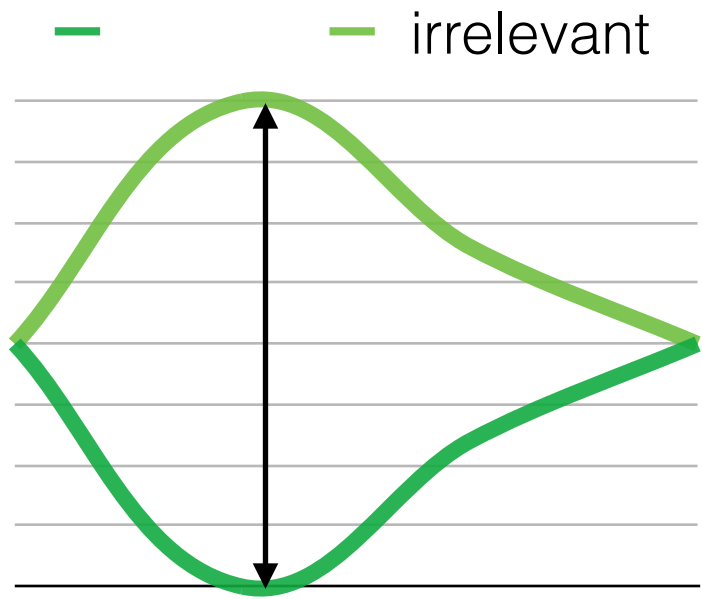
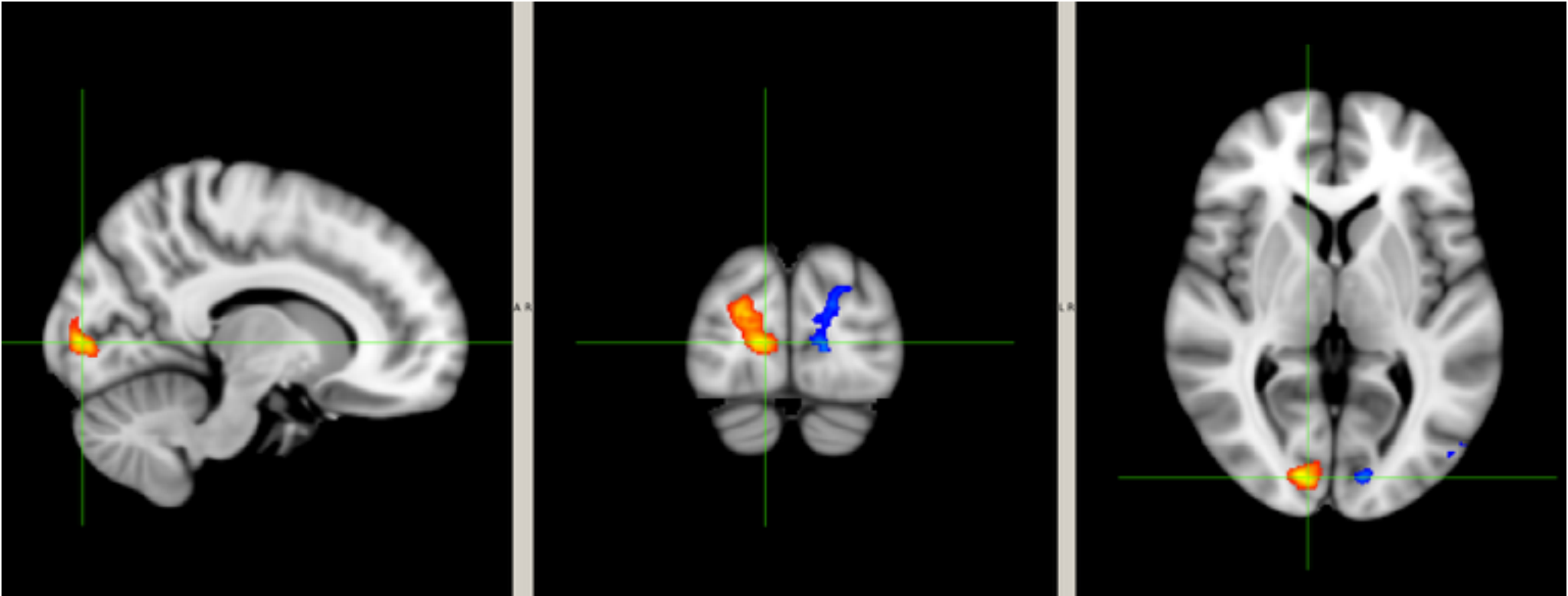


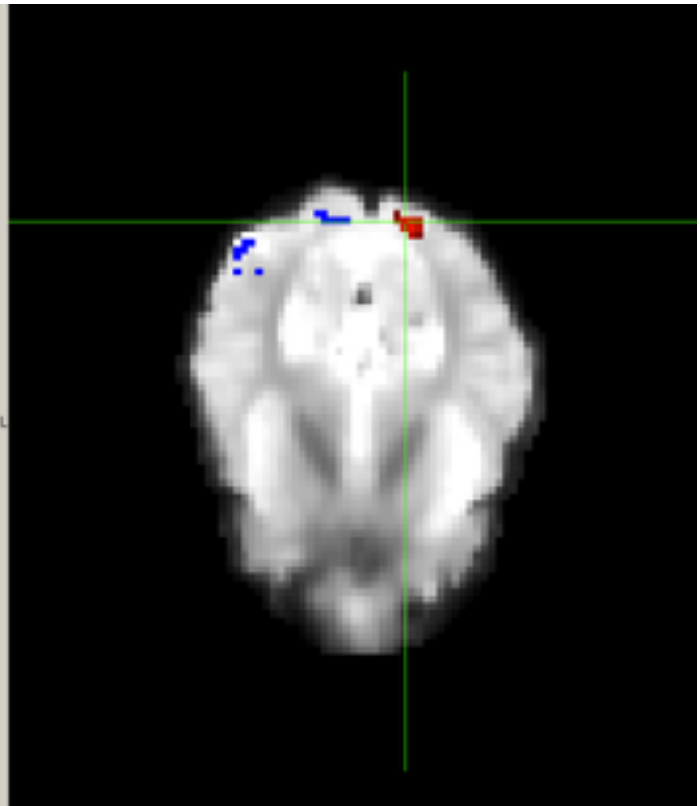
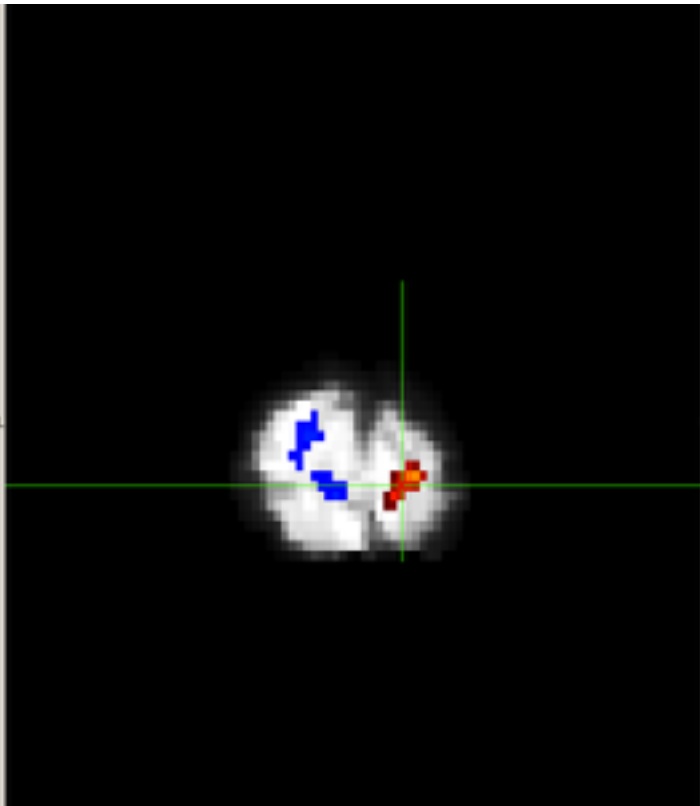
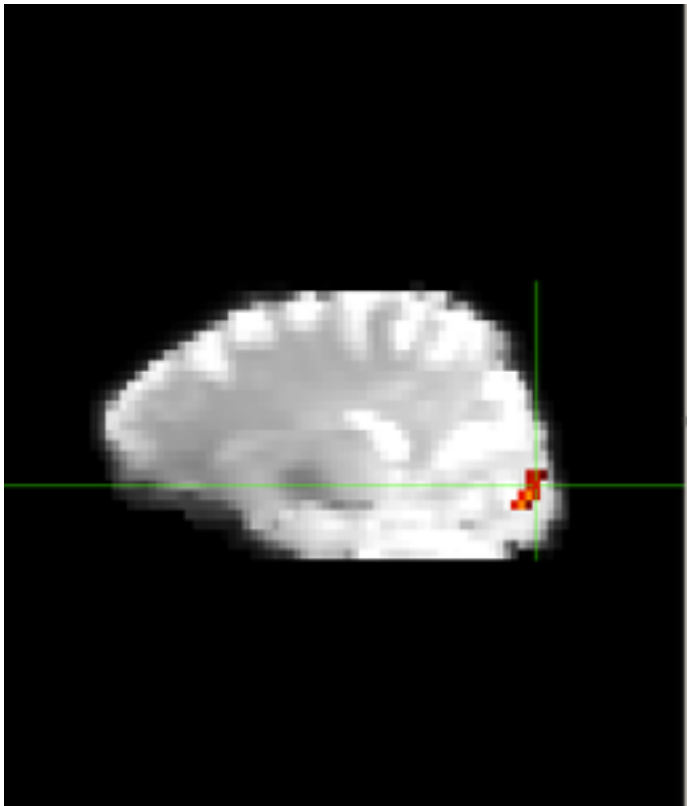
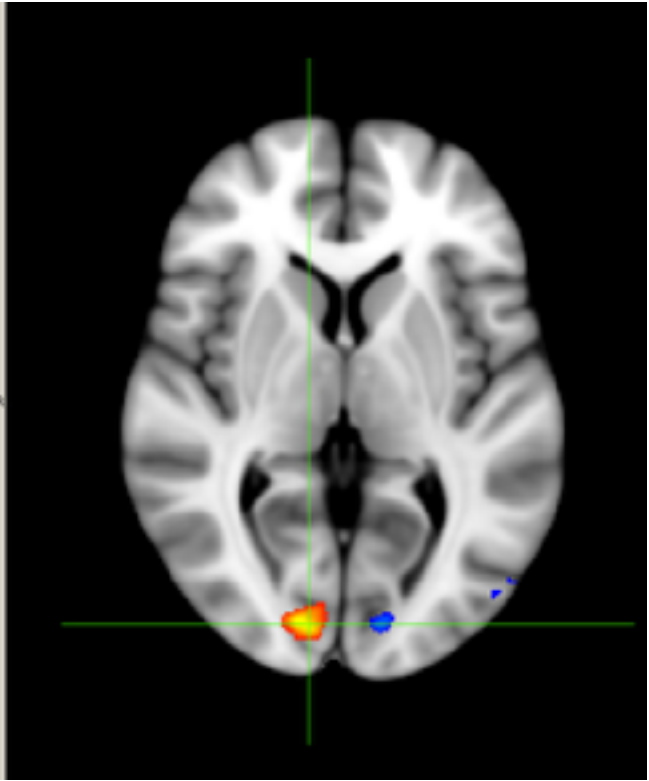
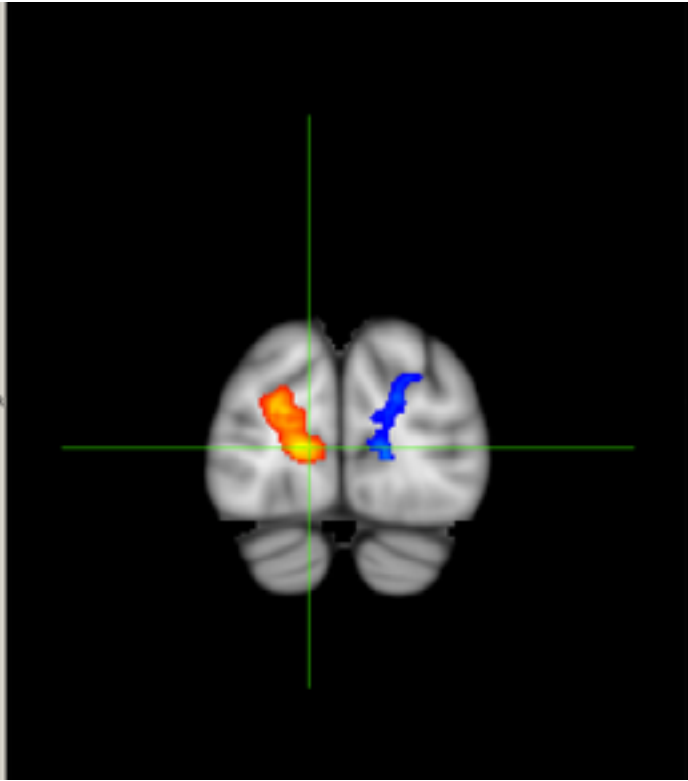
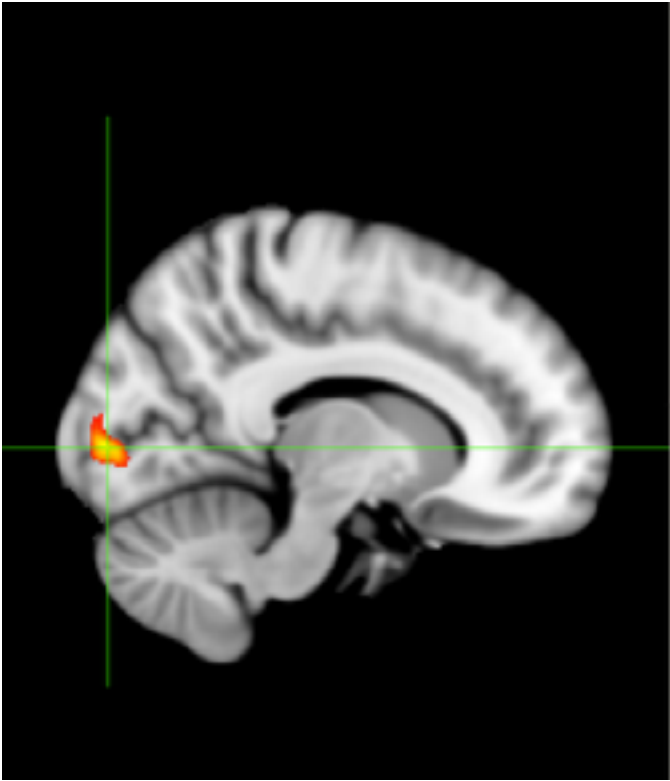
**RED: Left\_Congruent < Right\_Incongruent (Always left response)**

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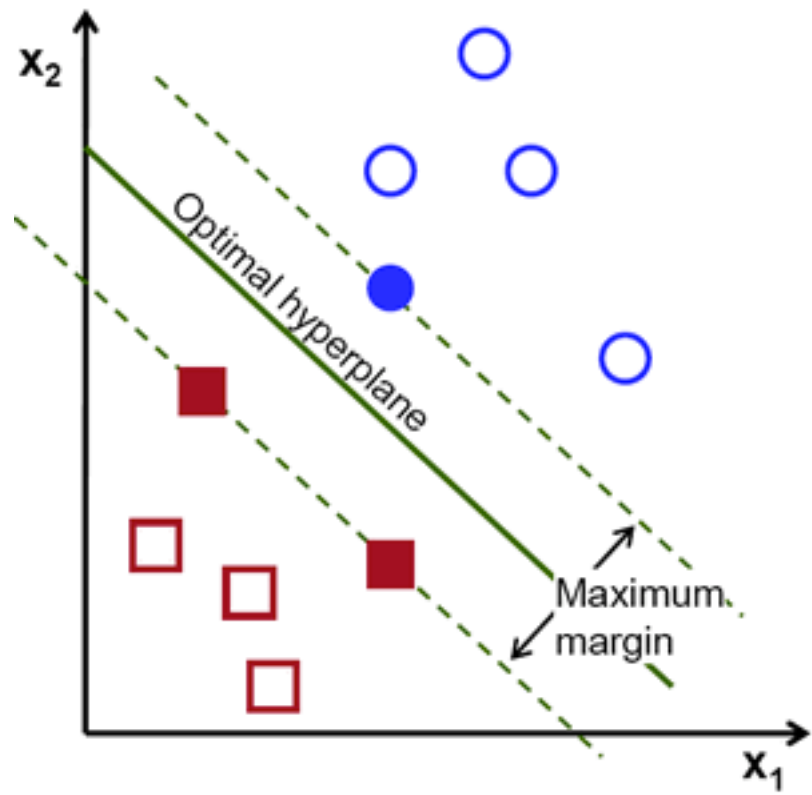
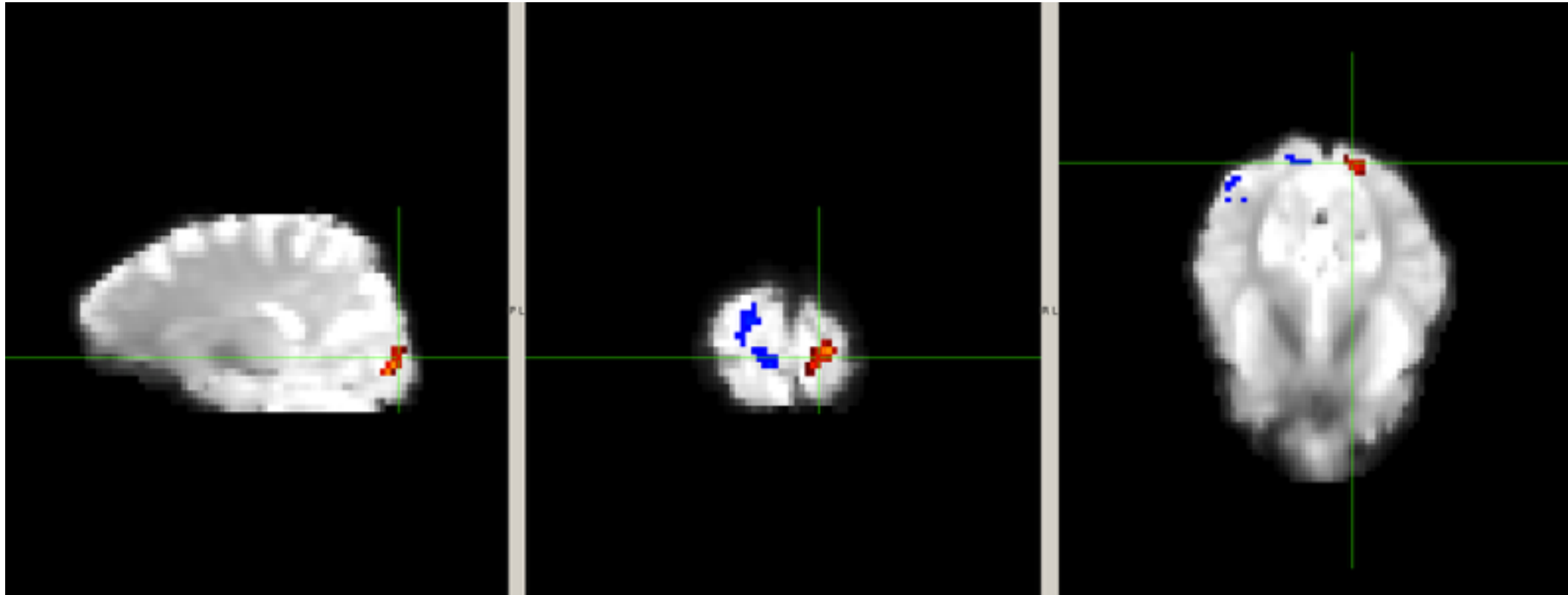


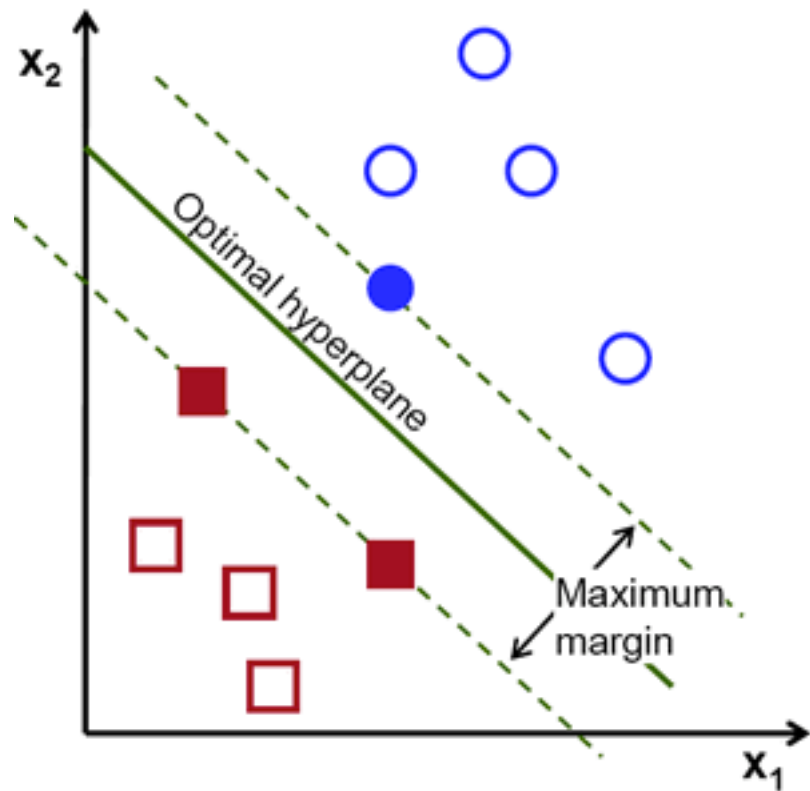
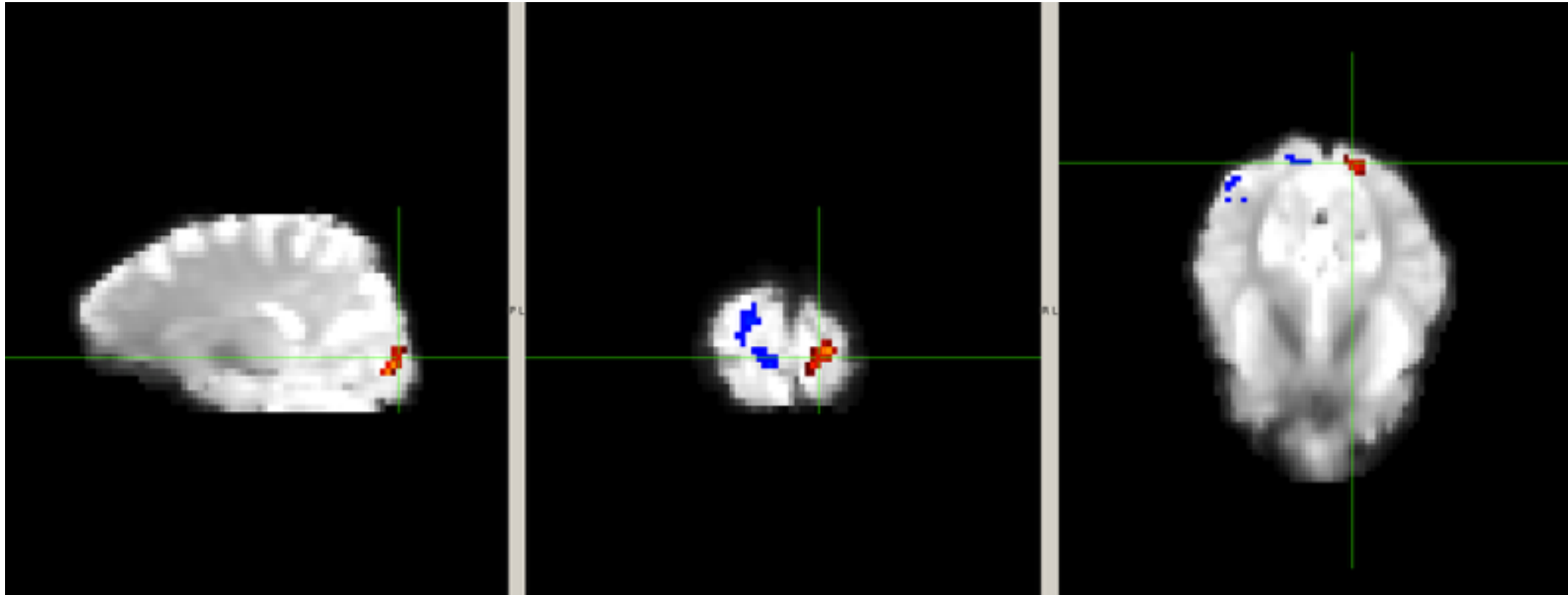






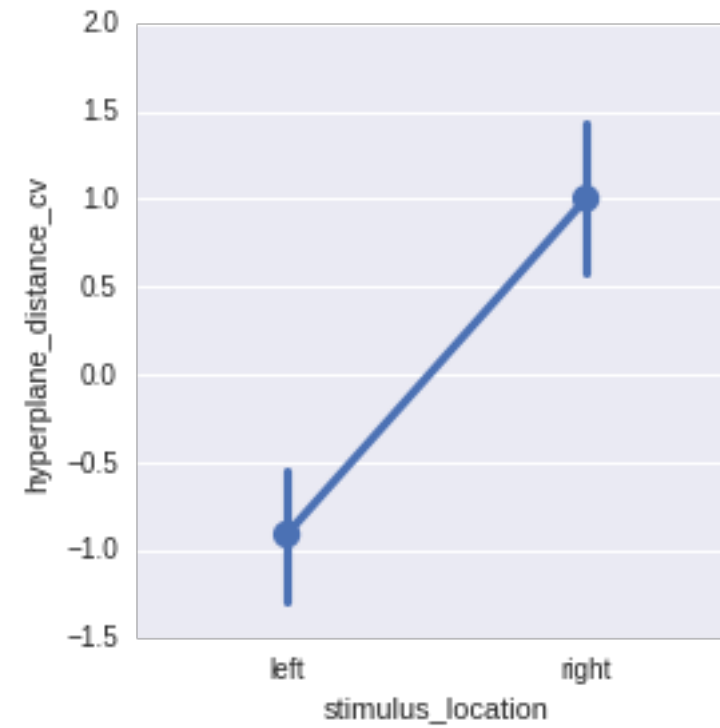






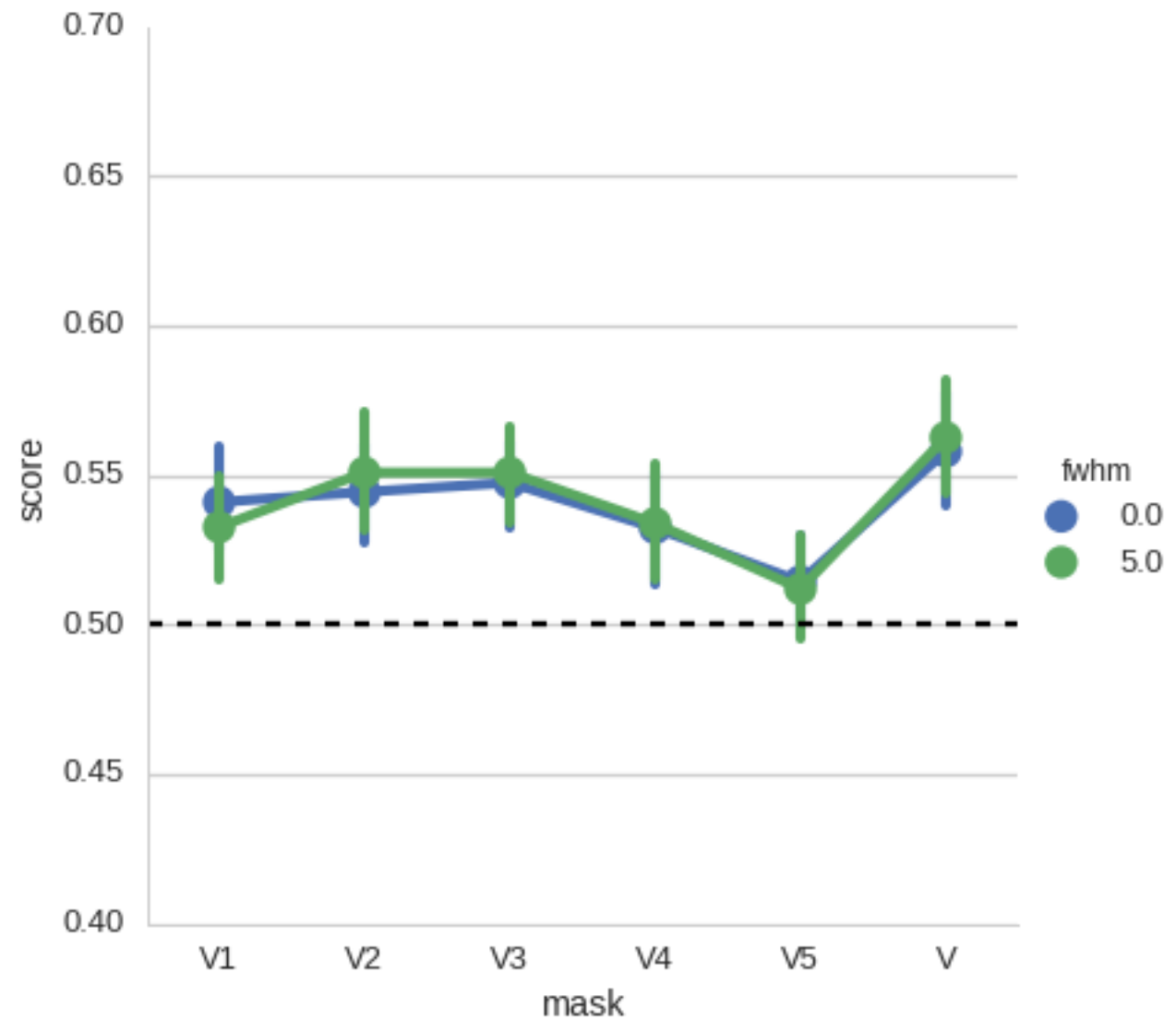
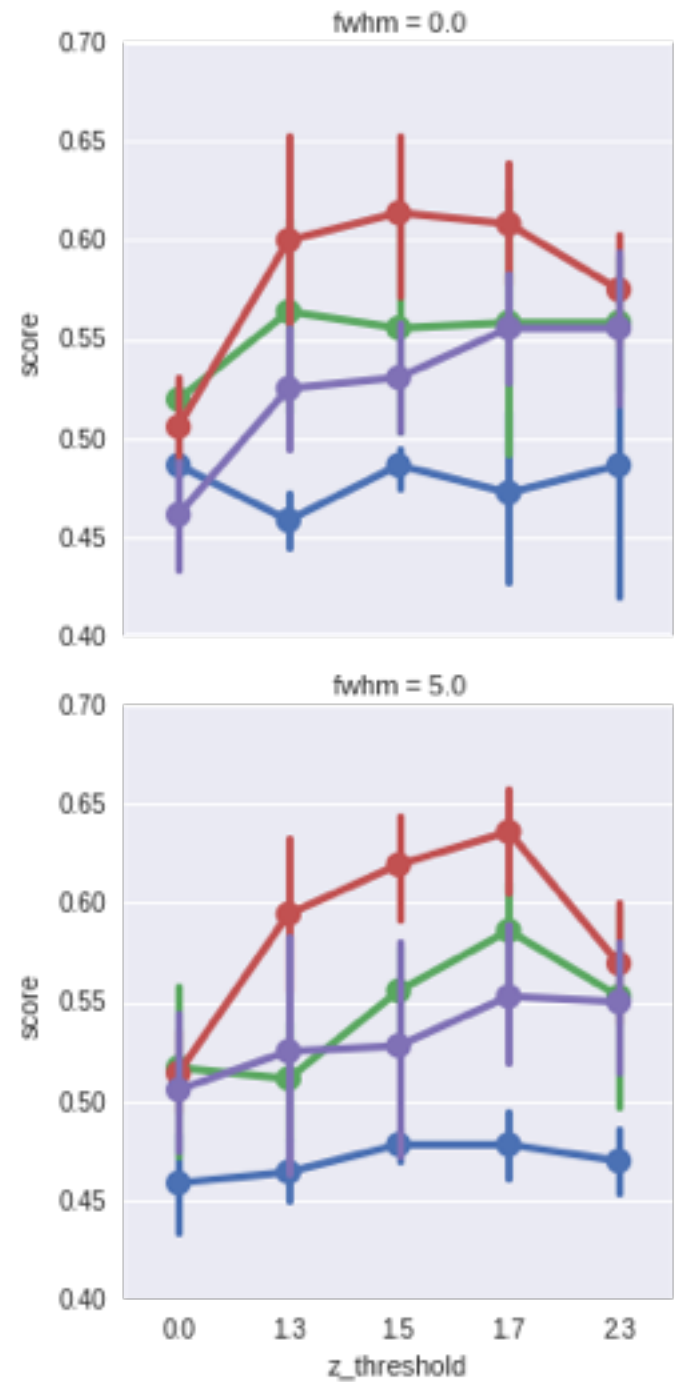
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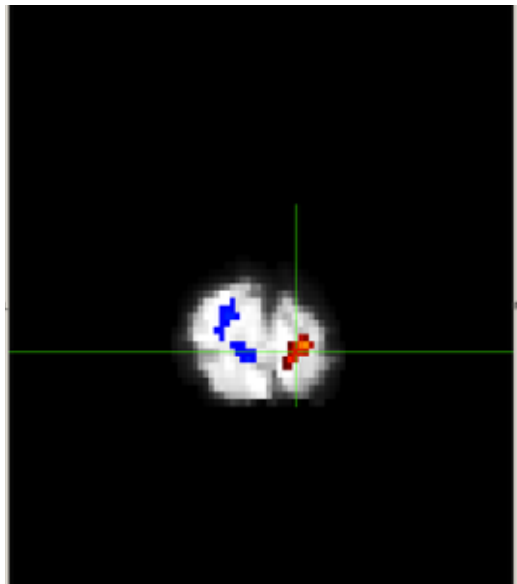




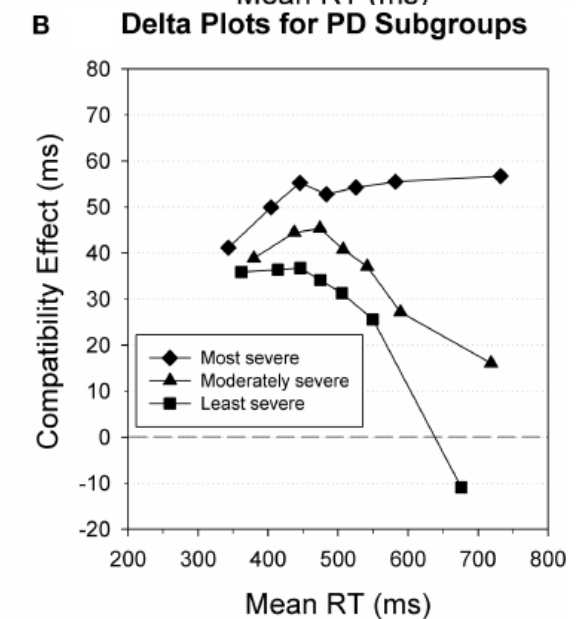
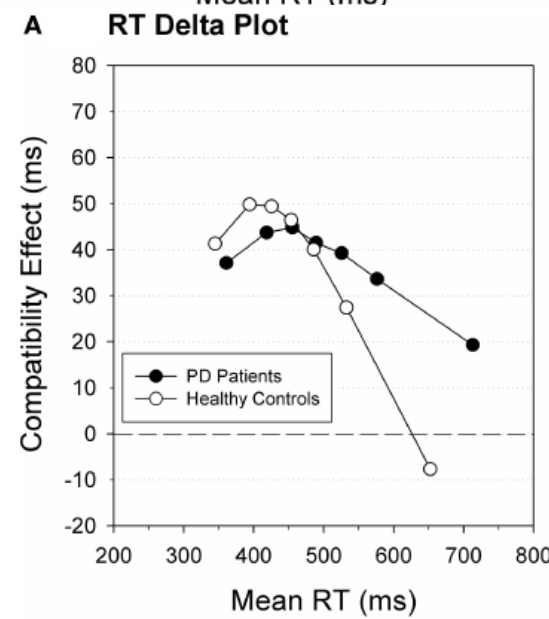
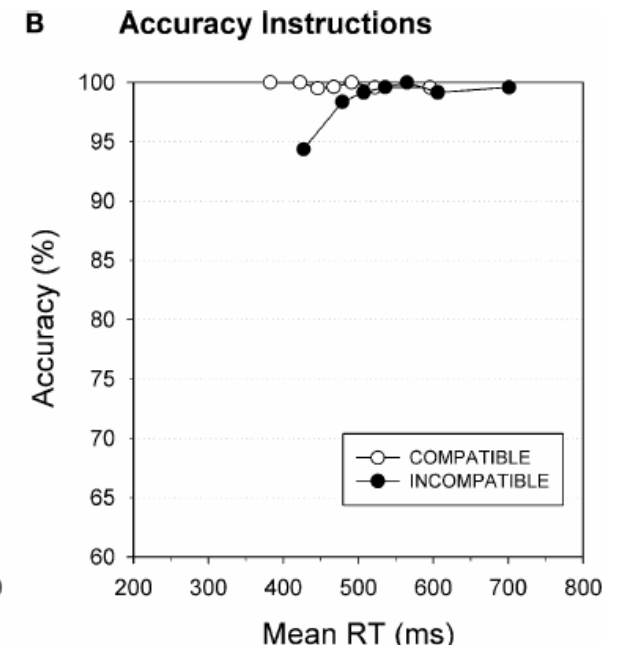
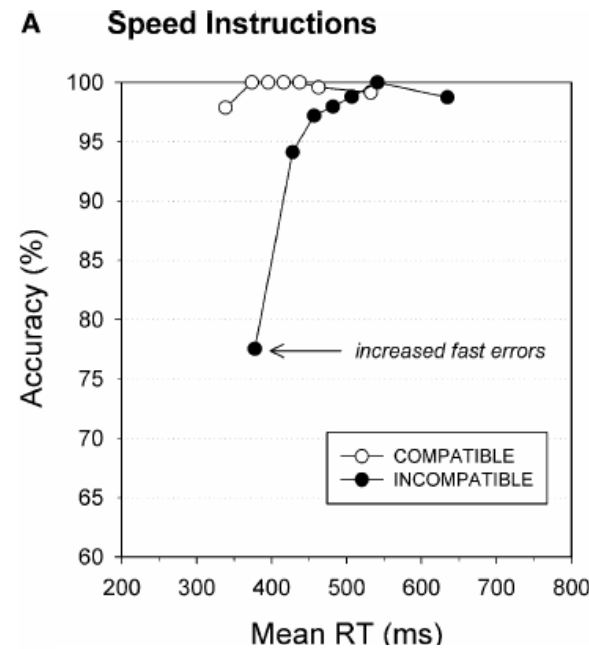
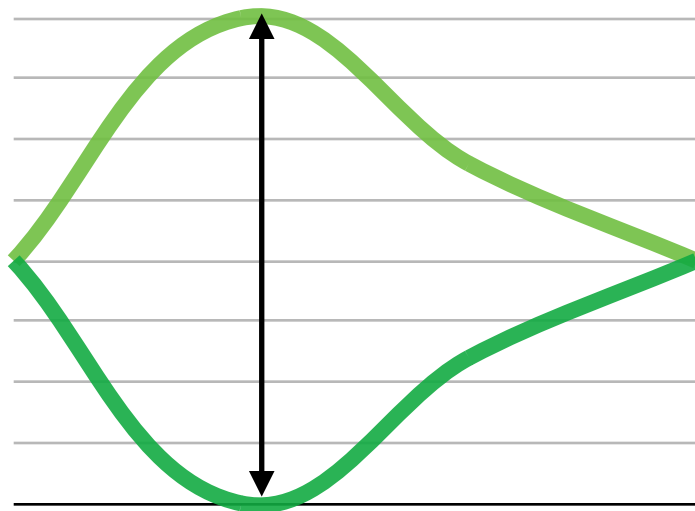
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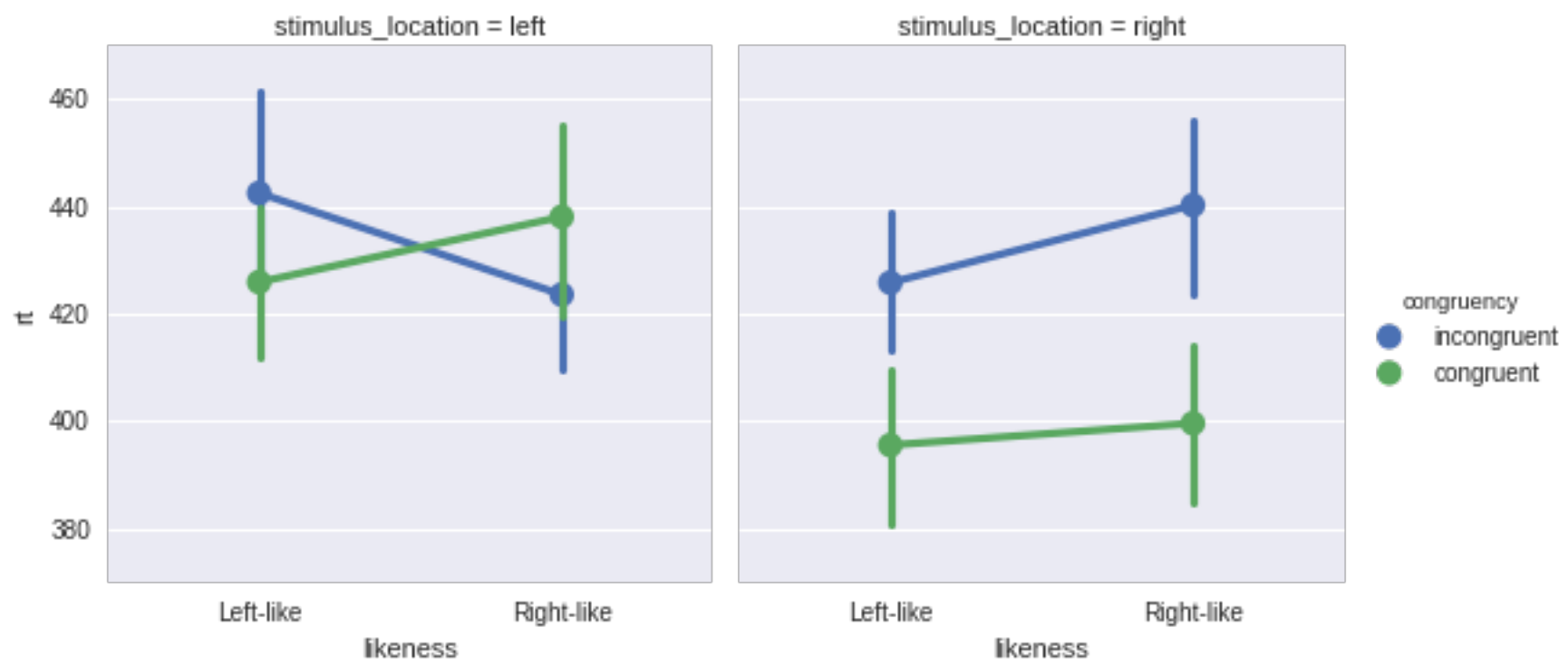


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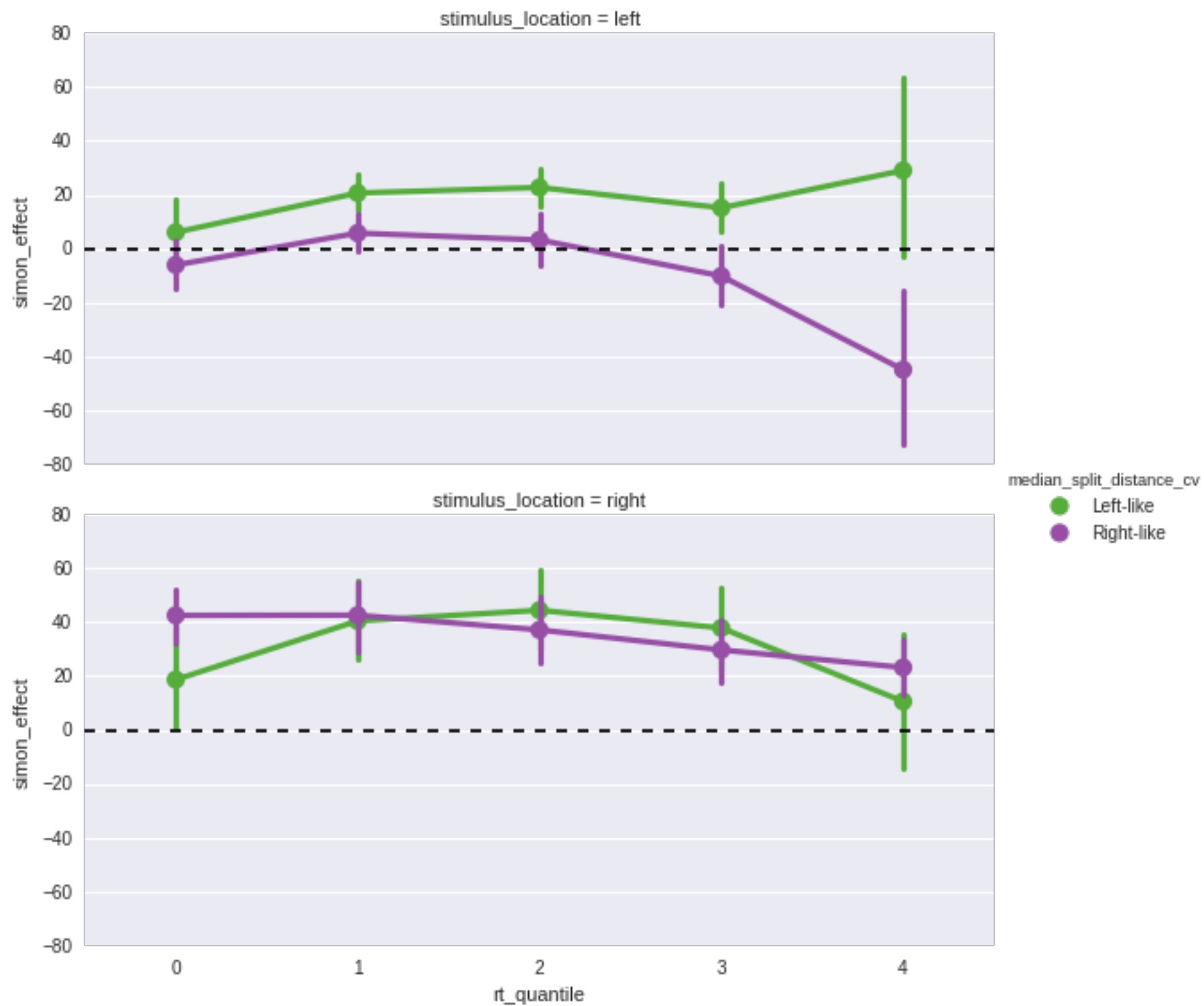


— irrelevant









# Summary

- The “irrelevant feature stimulus” feature can be detected in the visual task using MVPA
- The trial-to-trial fluctuations in this measure predict size and temporal dynamics of Simon effect

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