

Multivariate Pattern Analysis (MVPA) in MEG/EEG

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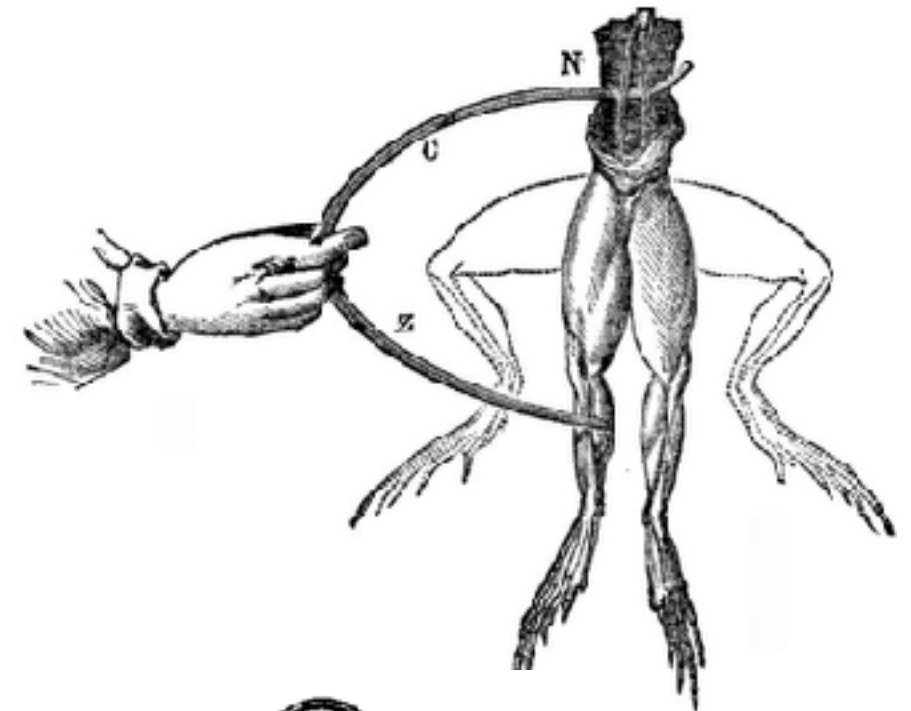
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Lecture I - History and neurophysiology of EEG/MEG

Luigi Galvani, the father of electrophysiology

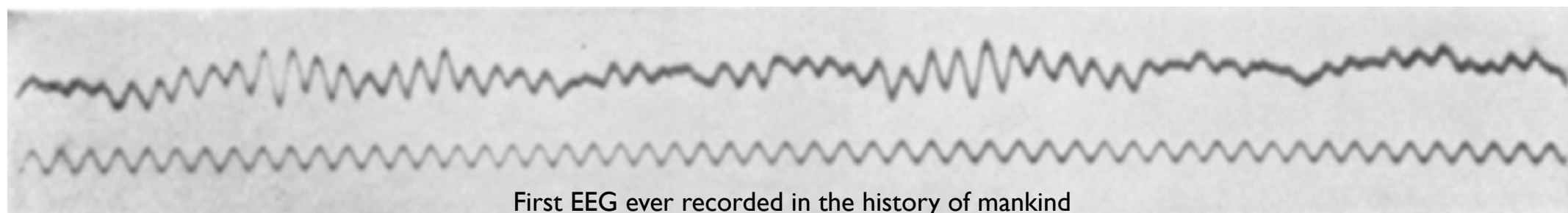


- Electrophysiology: the study of the electrical properties of biological cells and tissues
- Galvani discovered in the late 1780s that stimulating the nerves of a dead frog with electricity resulted in muscle movement
- He coined the term 'animal electricity' to describe the force that activated these movements



The history of electroencephalography (EEG)

- Gustav Fritsch and Eduard Hitzig (1870) showed that electrically stimulating the sensory-motor *cortex* of a dog produced movement
- Richard Caton (1875) showed the existence of electrical activity in exposed rabbit brain
- On July 6, 1924, **Hans Berger** (after 30 years of trying) for the first time recorded EEG from a human subject:



First EEG ever recorded in the history of mankind

← **EEG**

← **10 Hz timing**

Hans Berger



- It took another **5 years** (1929) before Berger dared to publish his results in “*Über das elektroencephalogramm des Menschen*” (“On the Electroencephalogram of Man”)
- Between 1929 and 1938, Berger published 14 papers with the same title, distinguished from one another only numerically (report 1, report 2 etc)
- Many of the phenomena that Berger studied are still under investigation today

So what is EEG, really?

A few basic concepts

- Voltage

- the *potential* of current to flow from one point to another.
- think of it as “water pressure”.
- this is a relative measure!



- Current

- number of charged particles (electrons, ions) that flow in a given time.
- think of it as the volume of a “water flow”.



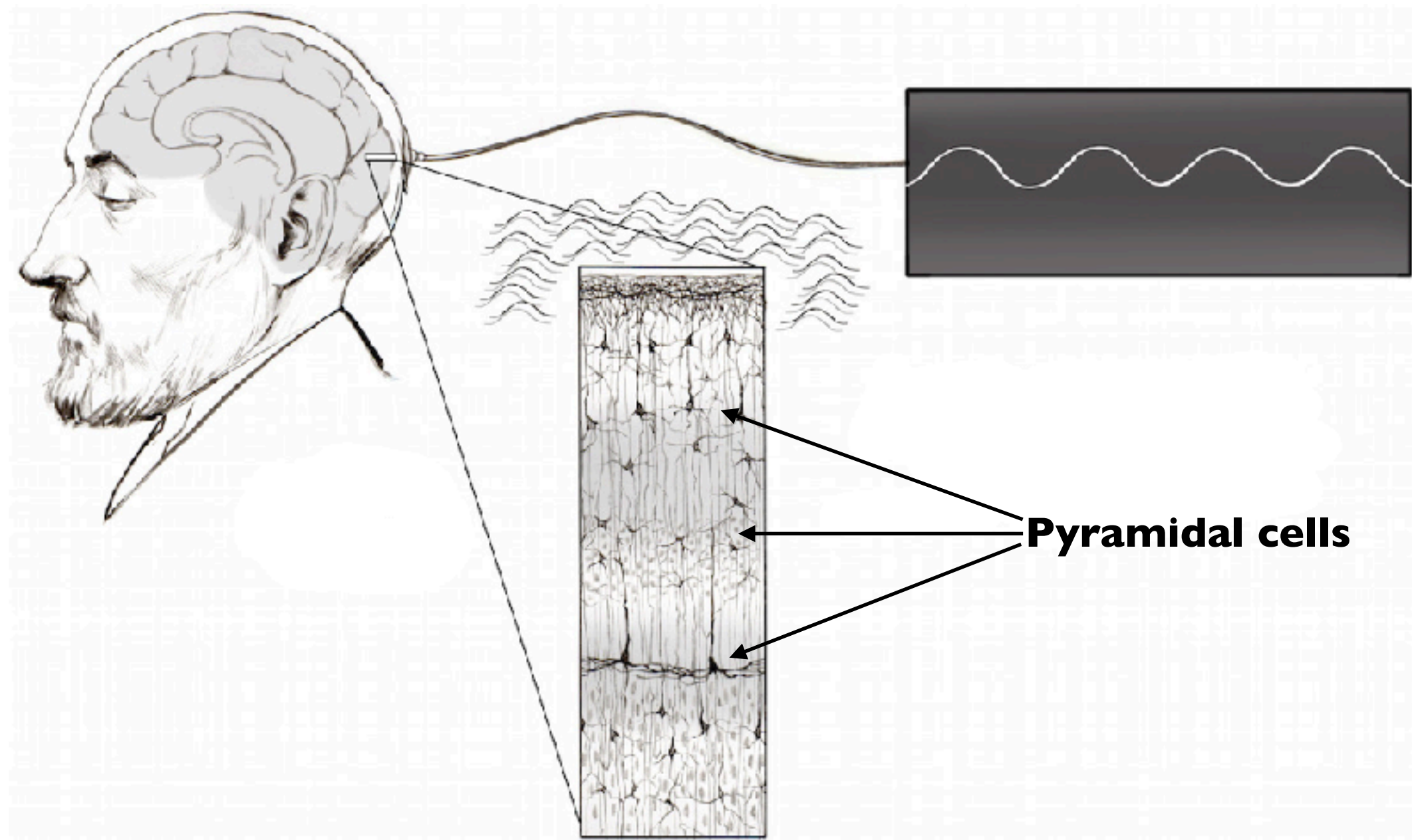
- Resistance

- resistance to movement of charges
- like having a skinny or blocked hose segment

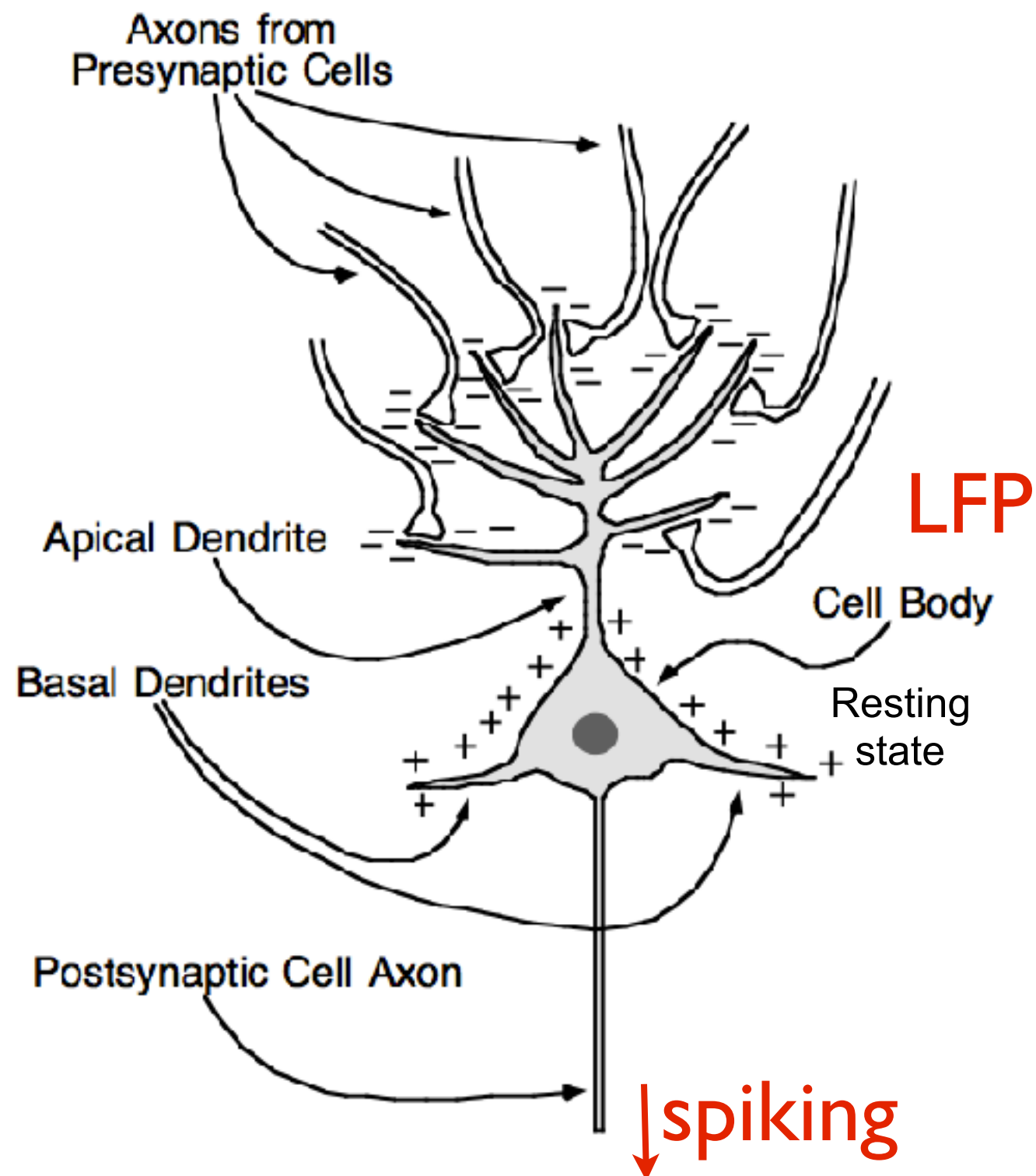


- Ohm's Law: **Voltage** = Current * Resistance

So what does EEG measure?



Source of electric signal: cell polarization of pyramidal neurons



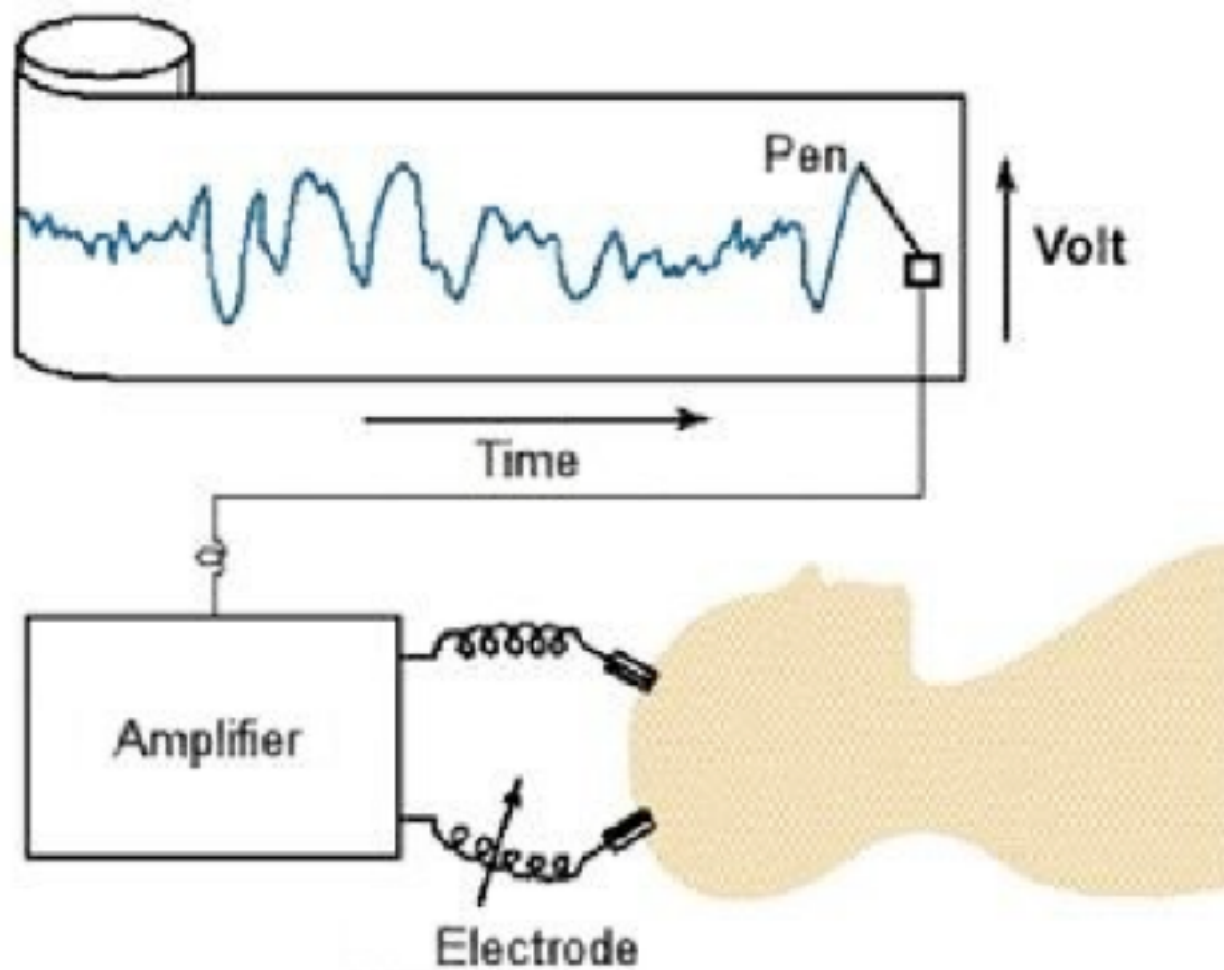
- Excitatory neurotransmitter released on dendrites causes positive charges to flow into dendrite
- Net negative on outside of dendrite
- Current flows through cell, leading to new spiking activity
- Polarity reverses with inhibitory neurotransmitter or postsynaptic potential on cell body / basal dendrites

Spiking activity versus local field potential (LFP)

- Local Field Potential (LFP): the result of synchronized **input activity** of many dendrites into neurons
- Action potential (spiking): the **output activity** of a neuron

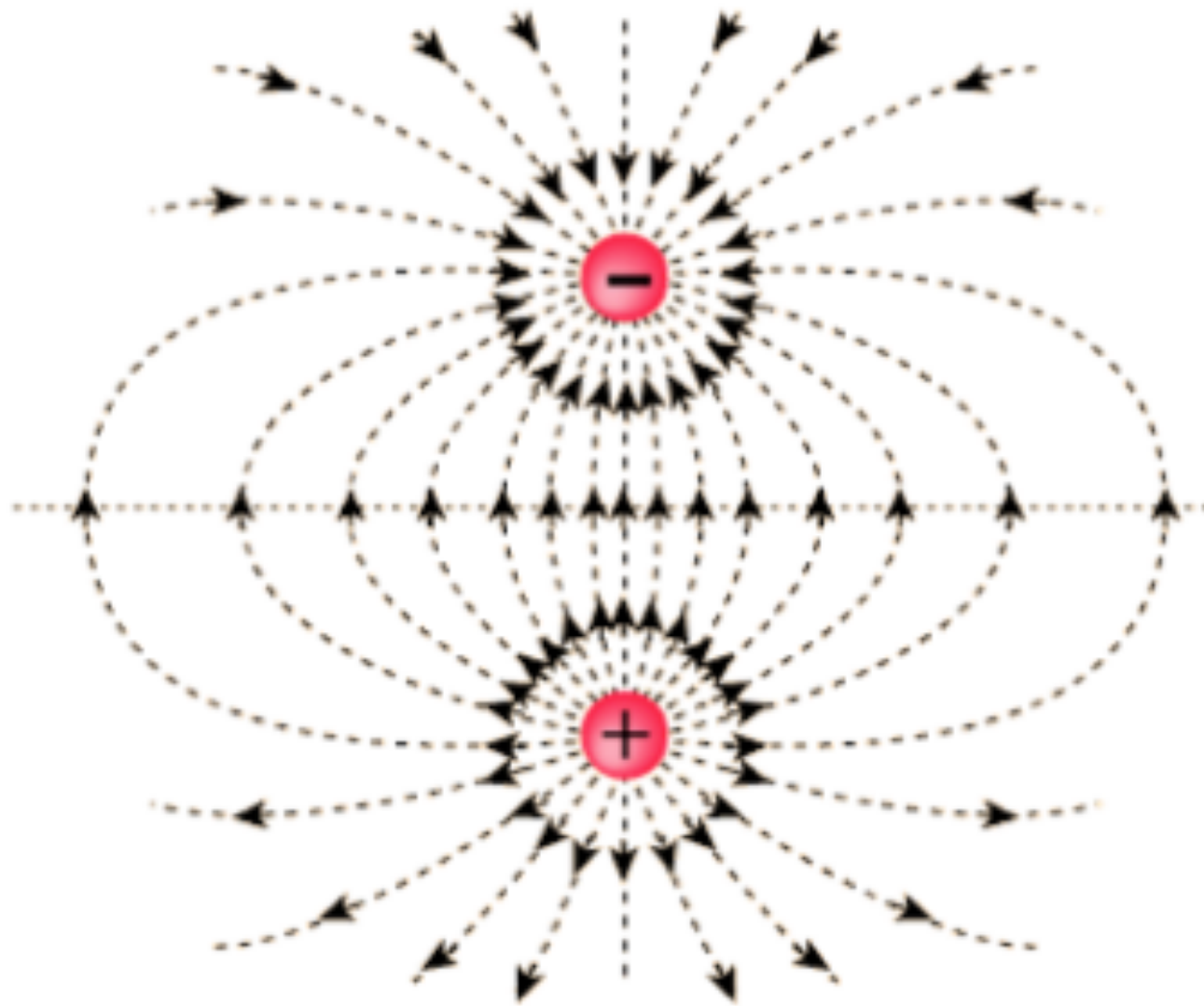
EEG

Measure voltage difference between electrode and reference on the scalp

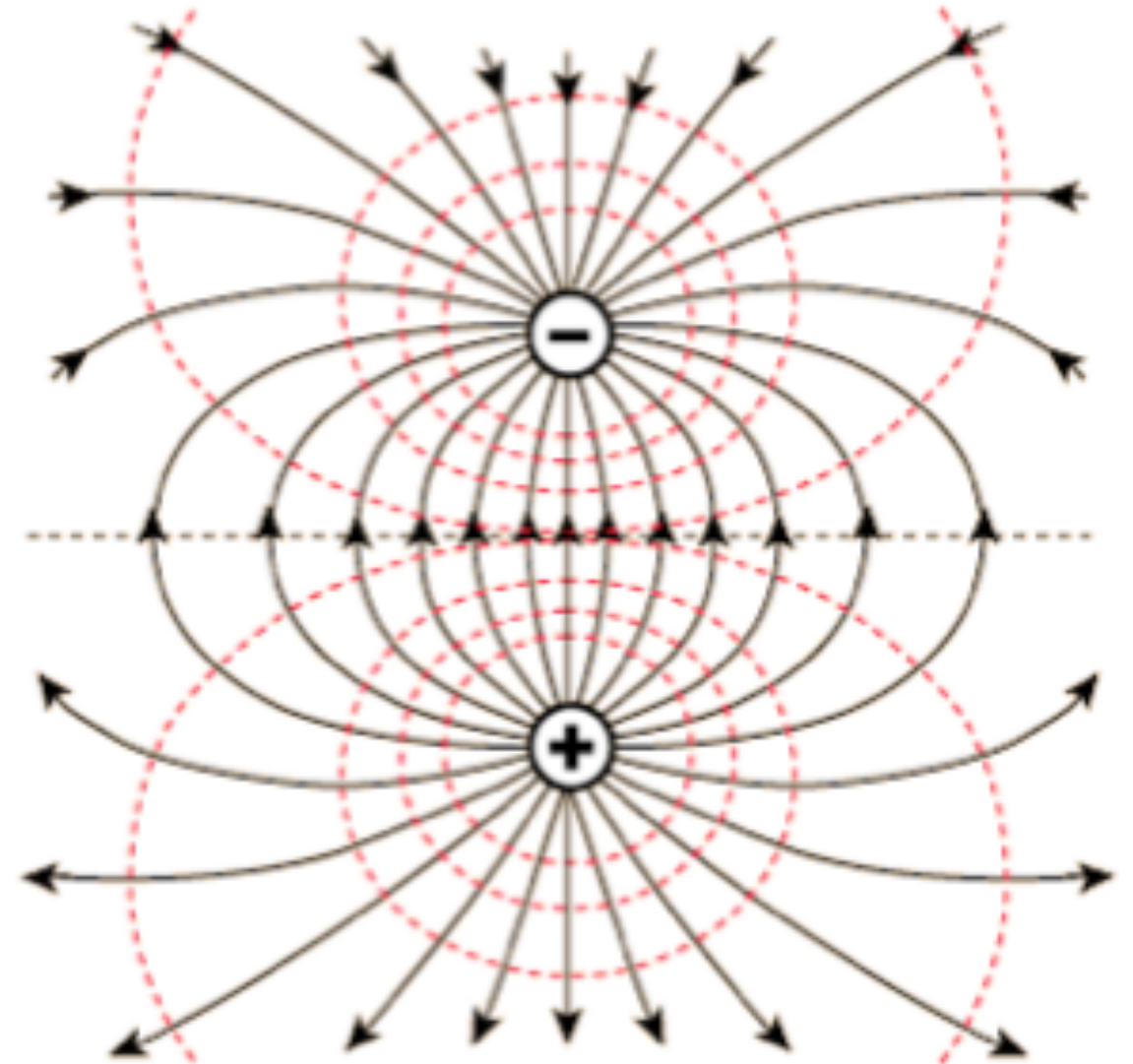


LFPs generate dipoles

Axons from



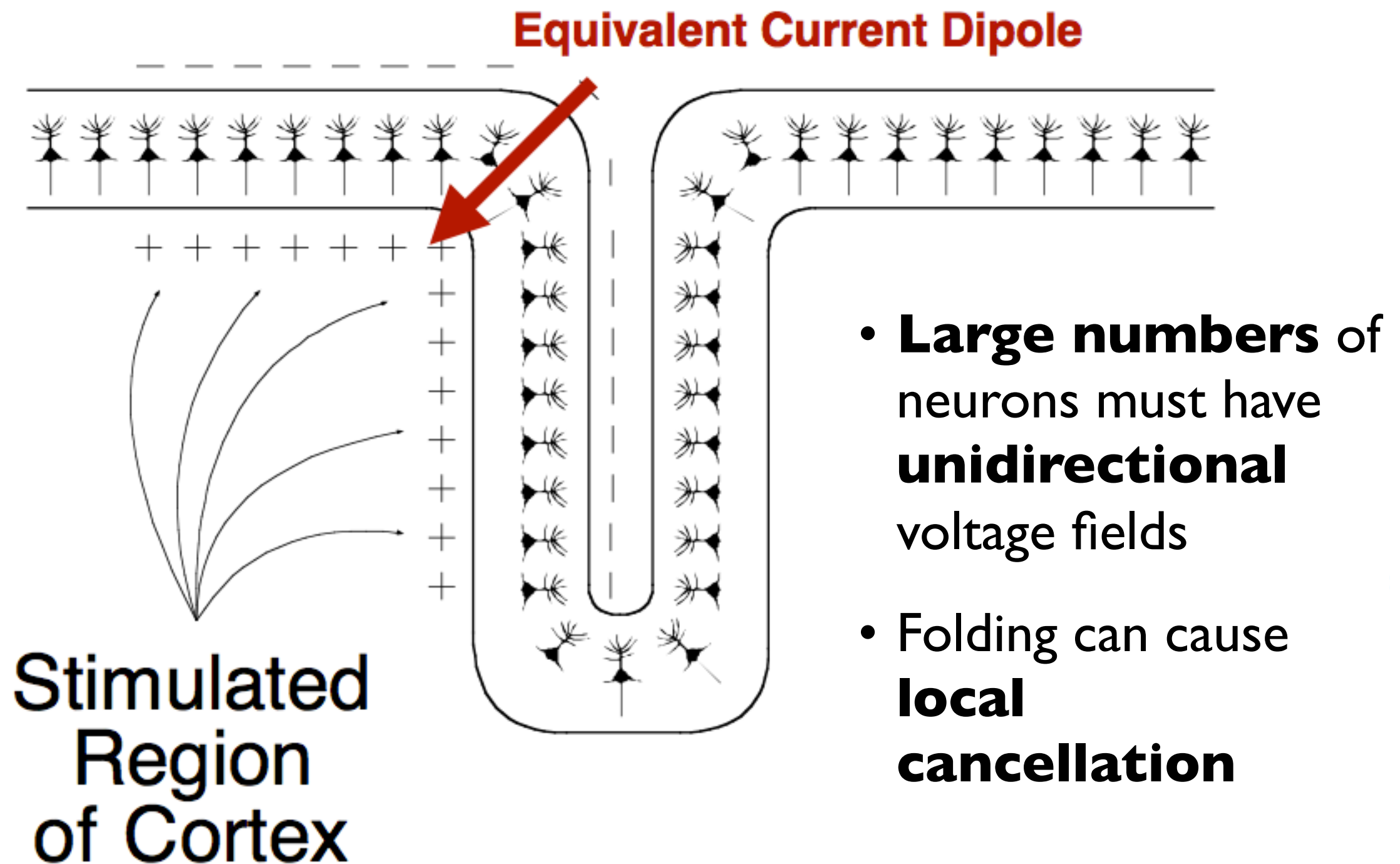
Electric dipole field



Equipotential lines



Cortical fold

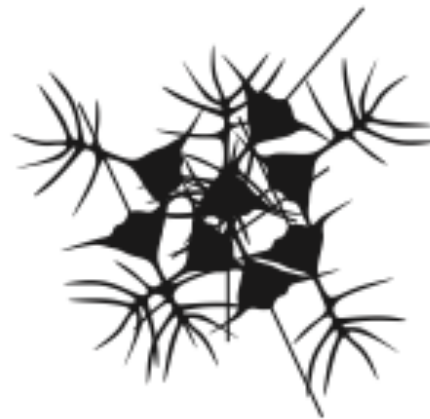


Source of EEG

Open Field



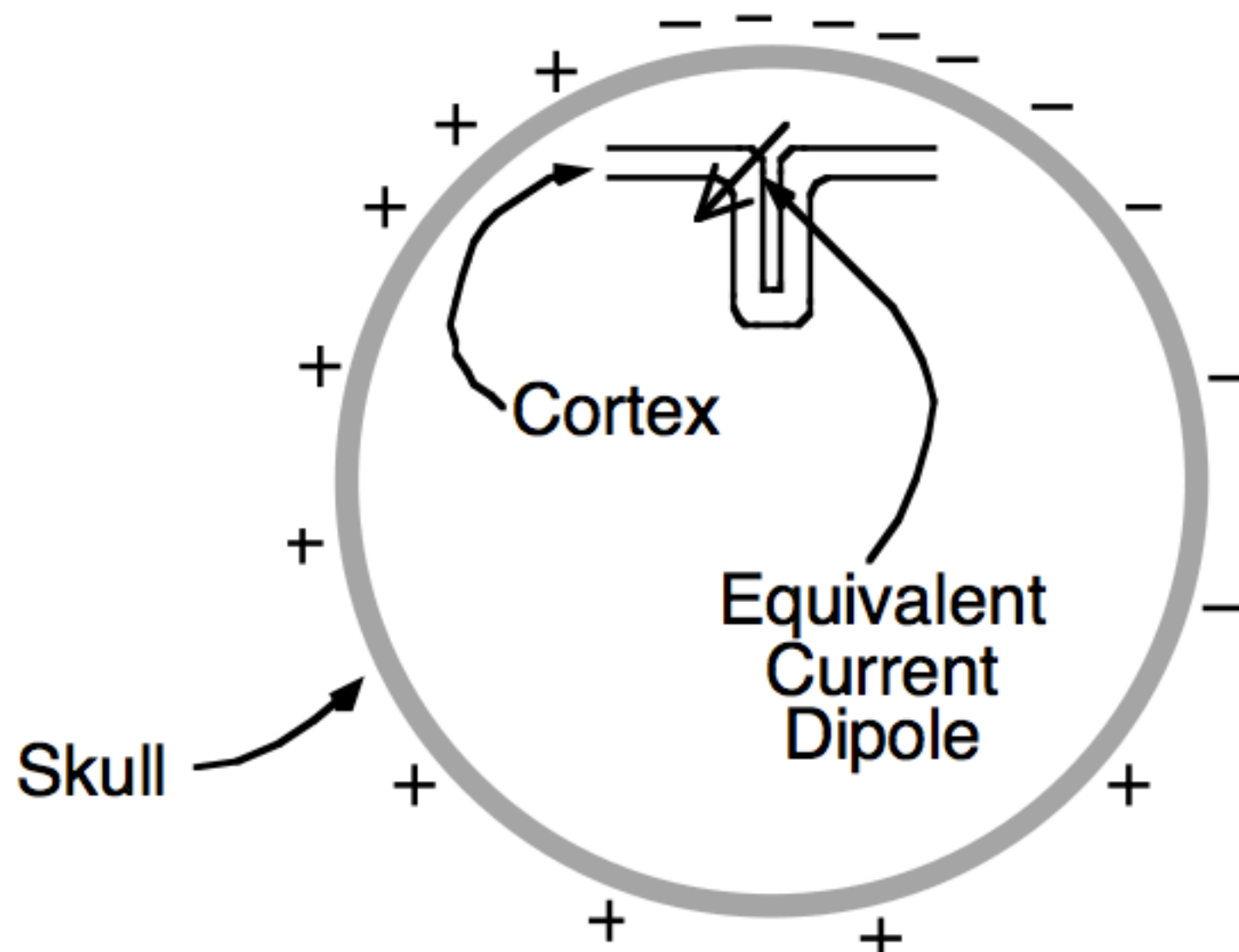
Closed Field



Local Field Potentials

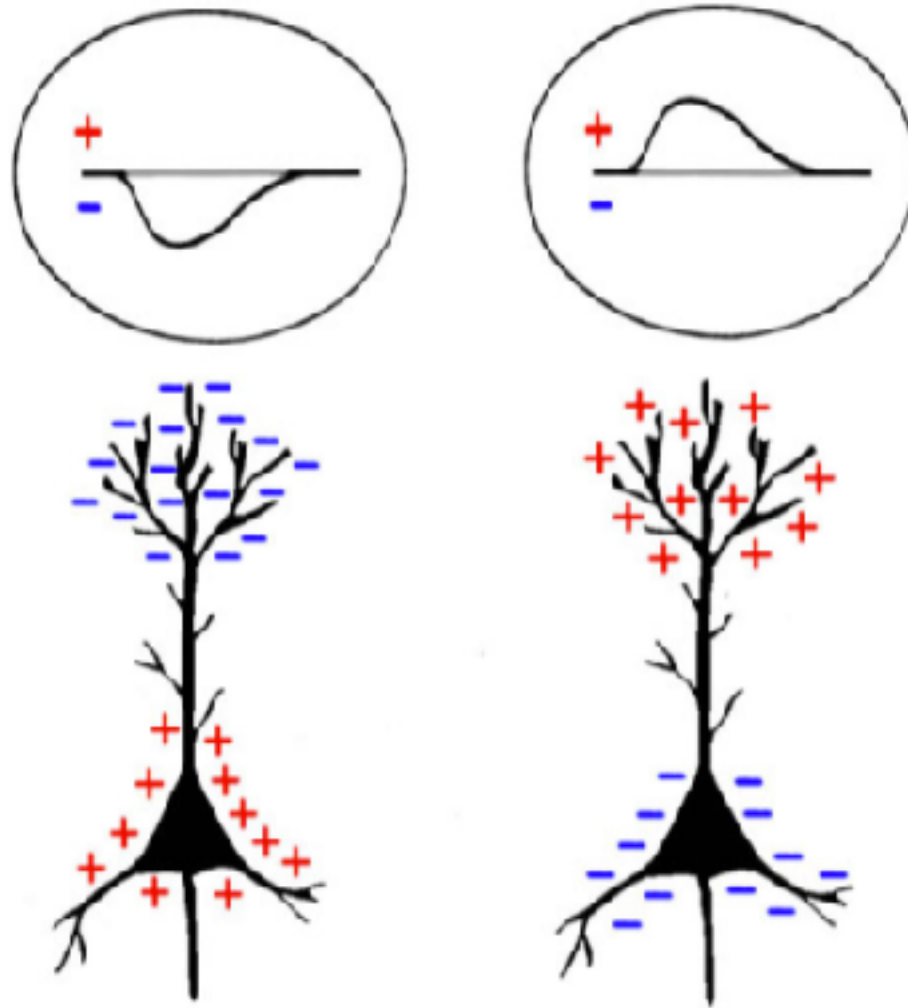
- **Local field potentials** (summation of postsynaptic inputs) **NOT** spiking activity / action potentials
- Scalp-recorded potentials only possible for layered structures with consistent orientations, which are mostly **cortical** (not subcortical)

Source of EEG



- Voltages spread through the head through **volume conduction**
- Voltage everywhere except at negative-positive transition
- Skull causes lateral spread (**blurring**)

Inhibition/excitation



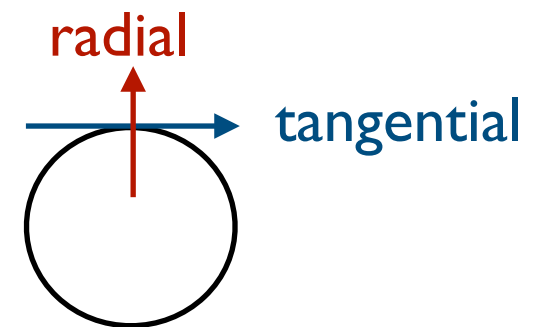
Orientation of neurons with respect to electrode is in practice unknown

Moreover, either of these neurons may receive excitatory/inhibitory inputs at dendrite/soma

It is impossible to know whether a positive or negative EEG deflection is caused by inhibition or excitation

Three requirements for EEG

1. Many LFPs need to occur at the same time to create a sufficiently strong dipole (synchronous activity of many neurons)
2. Dipoles (and thus neurons) need to have the same orientation
3. Can only measure radial dipoles. Neurons should not be oriented in parallel to the cortical surface.

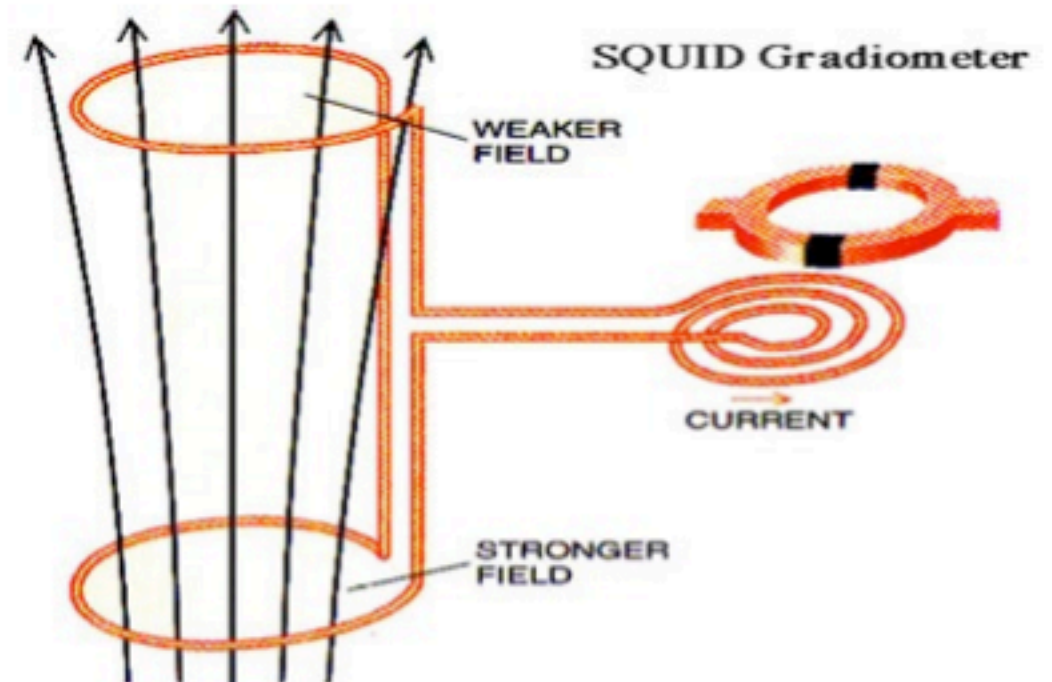
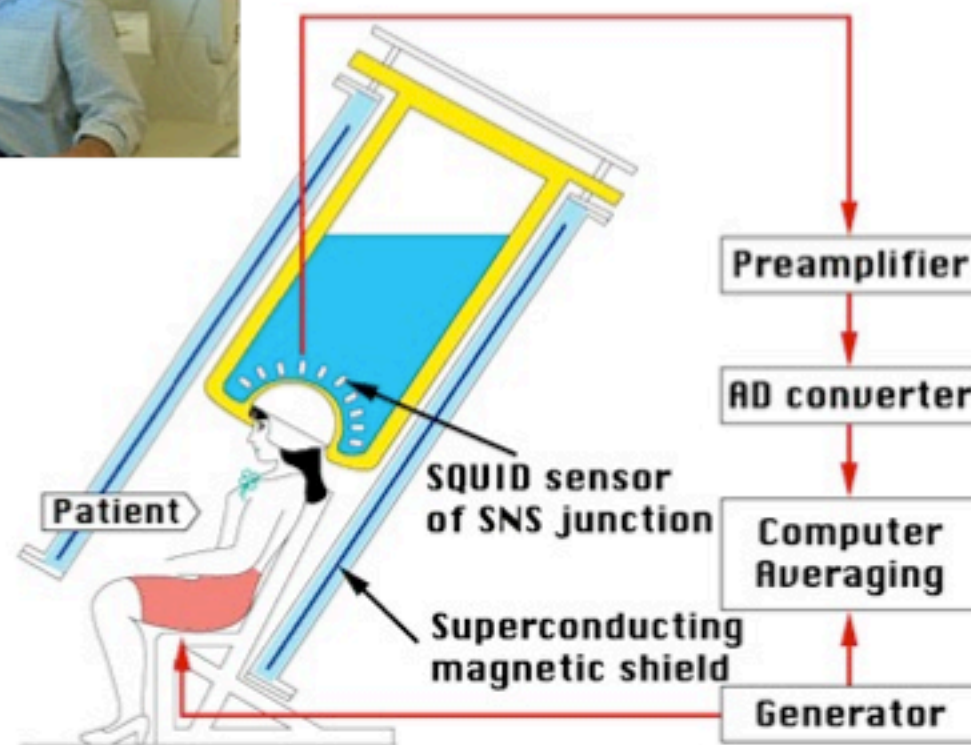


A lot of event-related neural activity does *not* meet these requirements; what does that mean for the interpretation of EEG?

Magnetoencephalography (MEG)



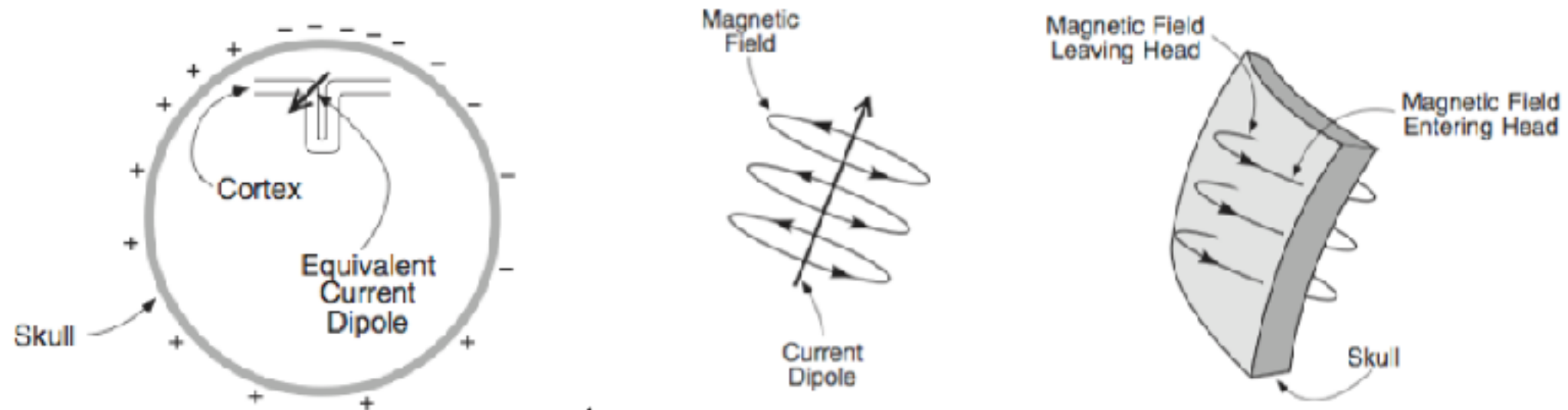
Measures large-scale magnetic activity using magnetometer coils placed on the head.



No blurring

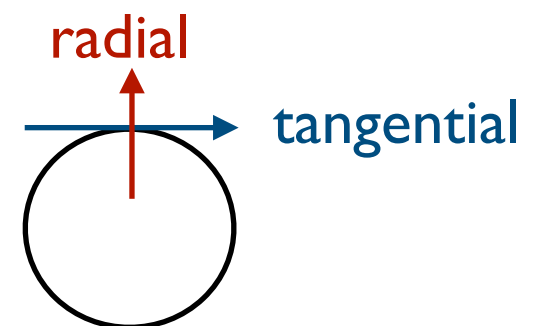
SQUID: superconducting quantum interference device

Magnetoencephalography (MEG)



Right hand grip rule

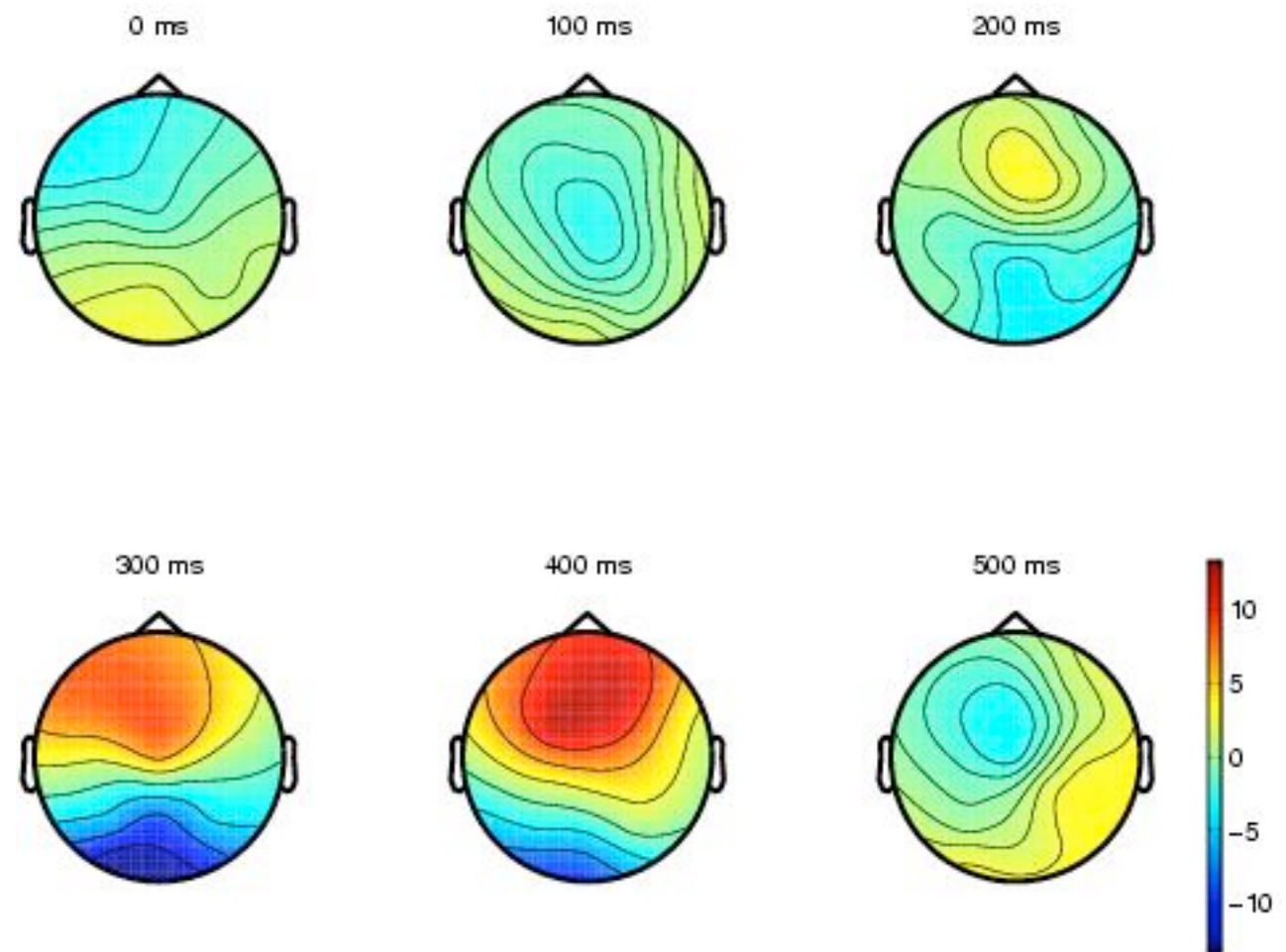
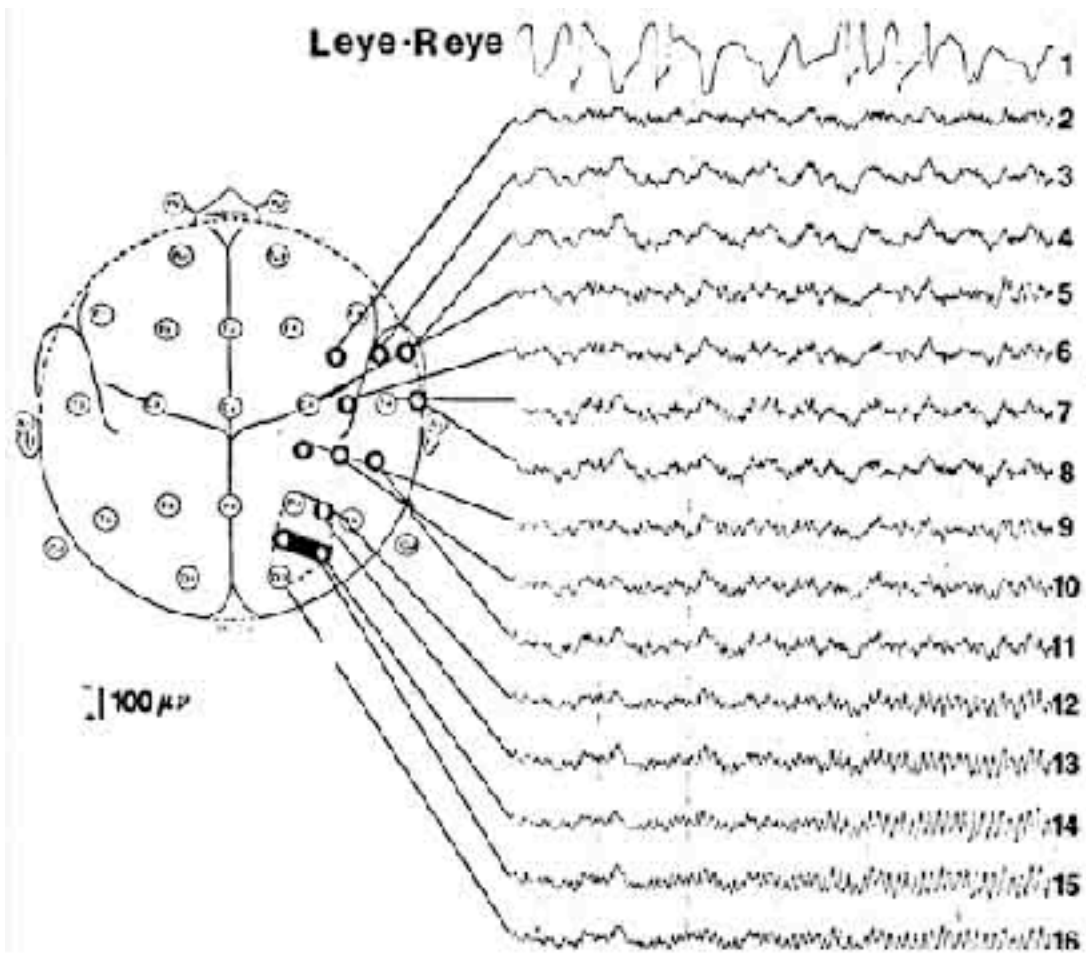
only measures magnetic fields that leave the skull, so
cannot detect dipoles oriented perpendicular to the scalp
(= cannot measure radial dipoles)



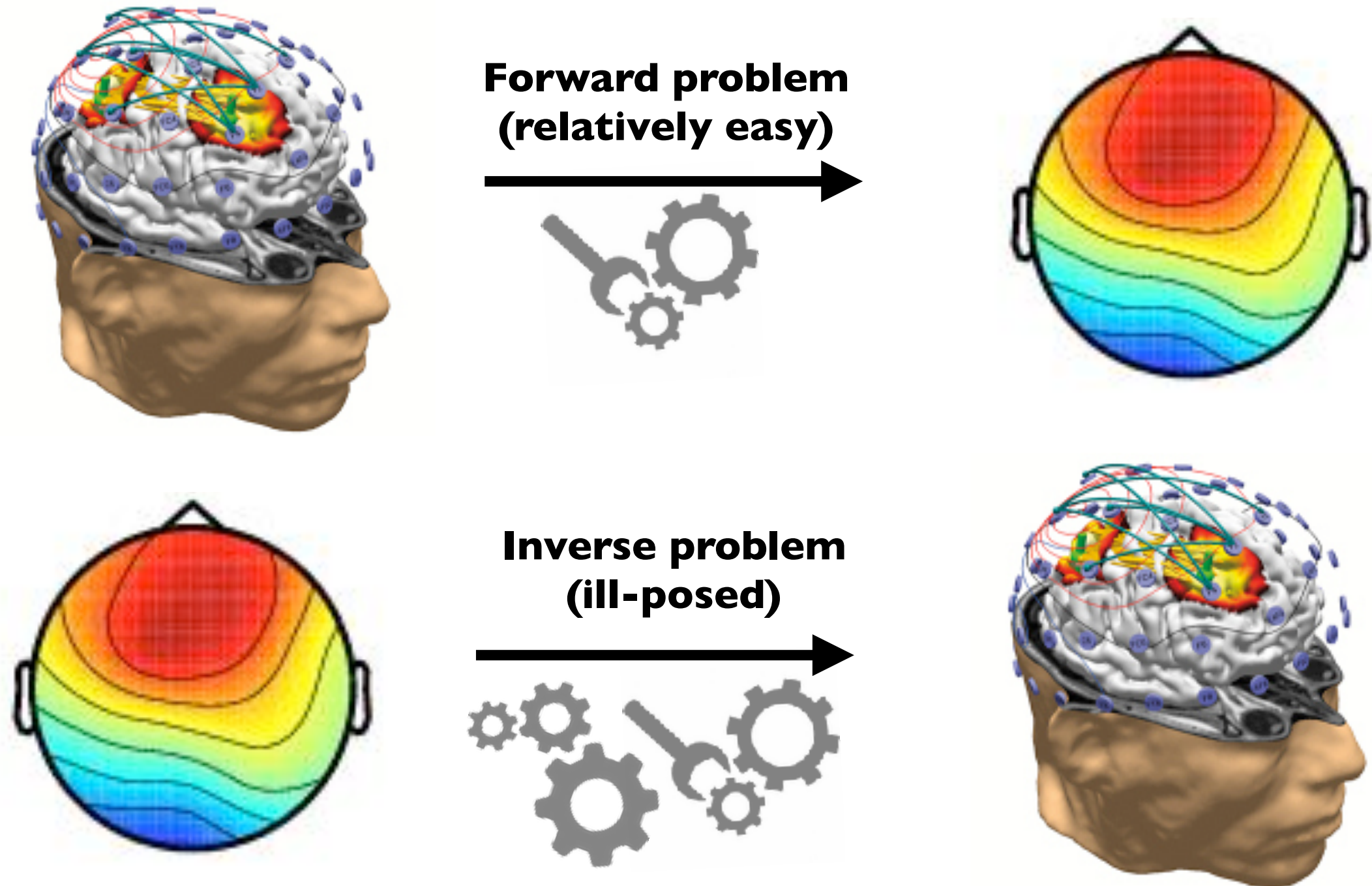
The MEG/EEG signal

- MEG/EEG is primarily temporal, acquired at discrete moments in time, called **samples**
- The temporal resolution at which these samples are acquired is called the **sampling rate**
- MEG/EEG is also spatial, acquired across a varying number of **electrodes** (in MEG and analysis software these are often called **channels**)
- The number of electrodes in EEG can vary from anywhere between 1 to 256 channels, a typical number is **64**
- The signal in each of the channels can be plotted over time, as can be seen in an **event related potential (ERP)**
- The signal across channels for a particular time point can be plotted in a topographical map: the **topomap**

channels \rightarrow topomap



Forward problem versus Inverse problem



MEG/EEG analysis

- Typically MEG/EEG is **pre-processed** to remove artifacts
- Next, there are many potential analytical approaches:
 - Event Related Potentials (won't talk much about **ERPs**)
 - Time-frequency representations (will talk a little about **TFRs**)
 - Multivariate approaches (will mostly talk about **MVPA**)
- Approaches are not mutually exclusive (can be combined)
- Ultimate goal in cognitive neuroscience is to characterize brain activity that subserves cognition and mental life (Hans Berger!)

Analysis software

- Standard main packages:
 - EEGLAB (user friendly, Matlab)
 - MNE (versatile, Python)
 - Brainstorm (Matlab, source reconstruction)
 - Brain Vision Analyzer (BVA, proprietary expensive, click and drag GUI)
- Some more dedicated toolboxes:
 - ERPLAB (Matlab, ERPs)
 - FieldTrip (Matlab, TFRs)
 - CoSMoMVPA (decoding, Matlab)
 - the Neural Decoding Toolbox (decoding, Matlab)
 - the ADAM toolbox (decoding/forward encoding, Matlab)
 - the PyMVPA toolbox (decoding, Python)

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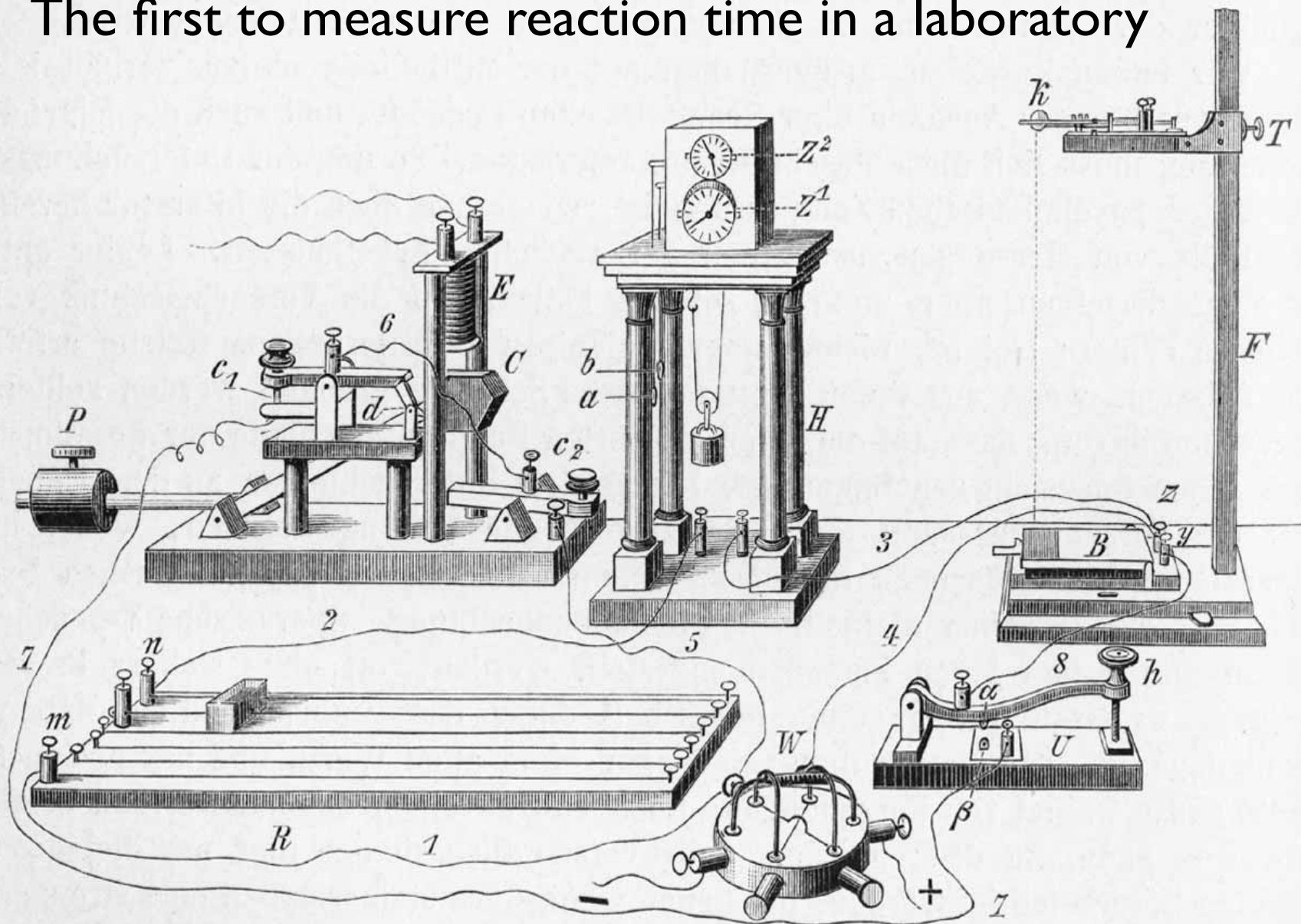
Basic concepts and procedures in MVPA

- What is MVPA (decoding)? Univariate vs Multivariate (MVPA)
- Approaches and concepts:
 - Train-test procedures, overfitting, K-fold cross validation, overfitting, classes, classifier, features, the decision boundary, weights, forward-transformed weights
- The confusion matrix, performance measures, balancing
- Balancing: undersampling and oversampling

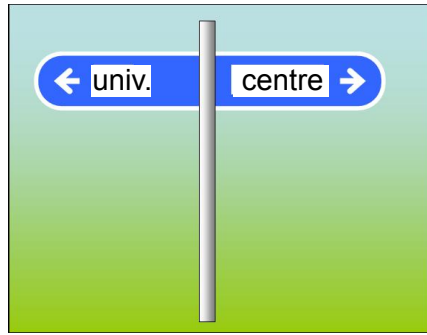
Franciscus Donder's mental chronometry (1868)



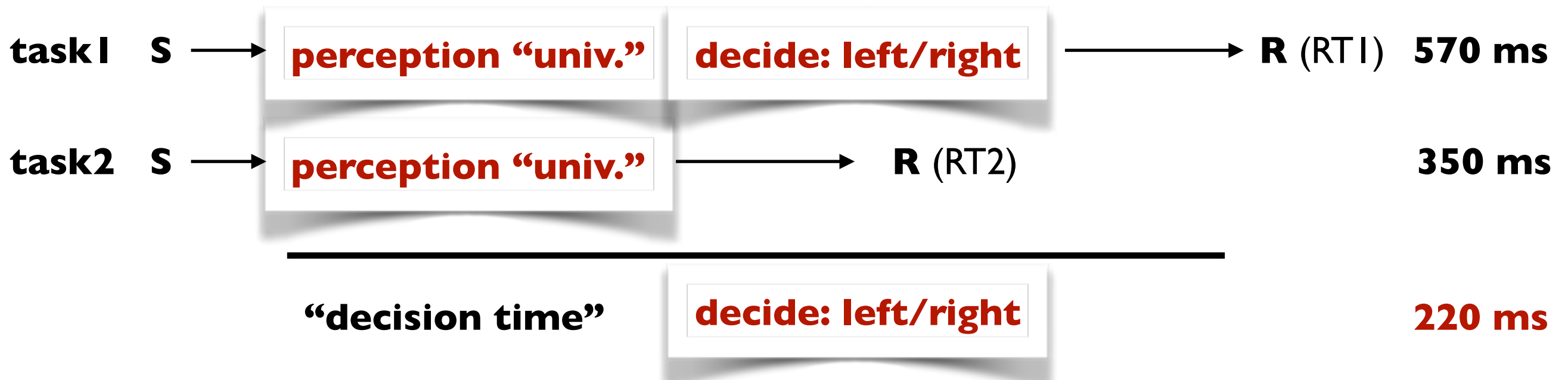
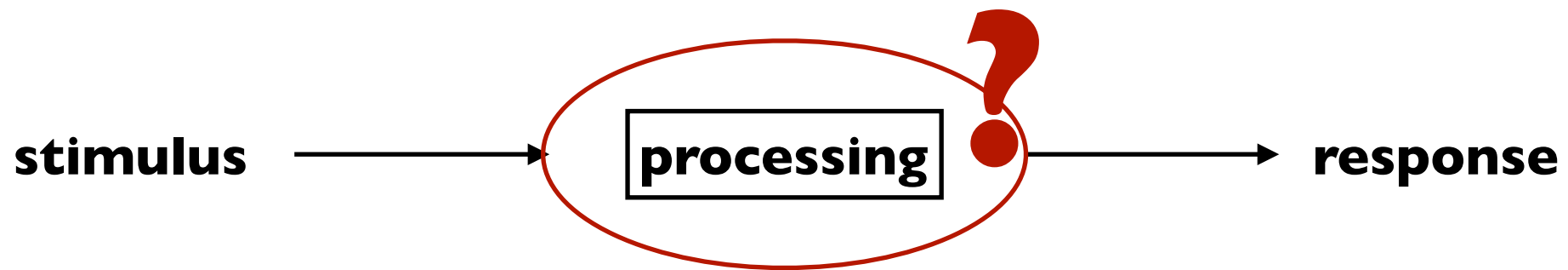
- The first to measure reaction time in a laboratory



Subtraction



The difference between the task RTs should tell us the “decision time”!



Donders' subtraction methodology (reaction times)



"The idea occurred to me to interpose into the process of physiological time some new components of mental action. If I investigated how much this would lengthen the physiological time, this would, I judged, reveal the time required for the interposed term"

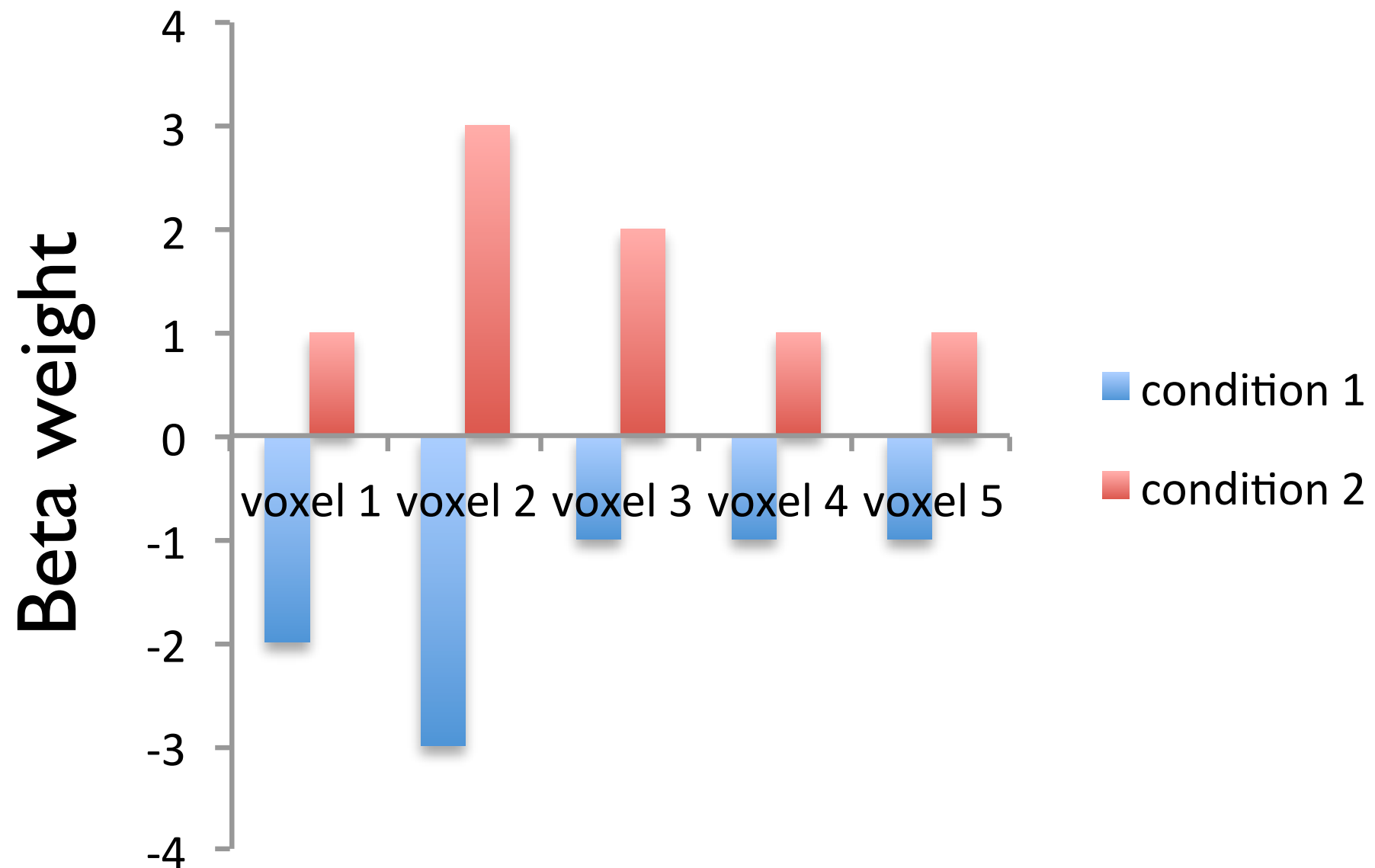
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MVPA - what is it?

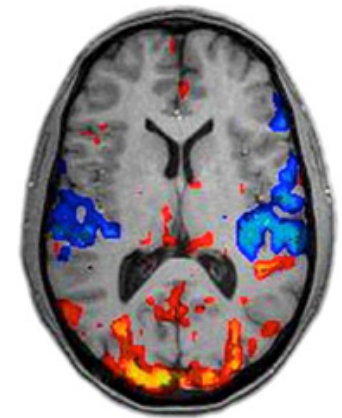
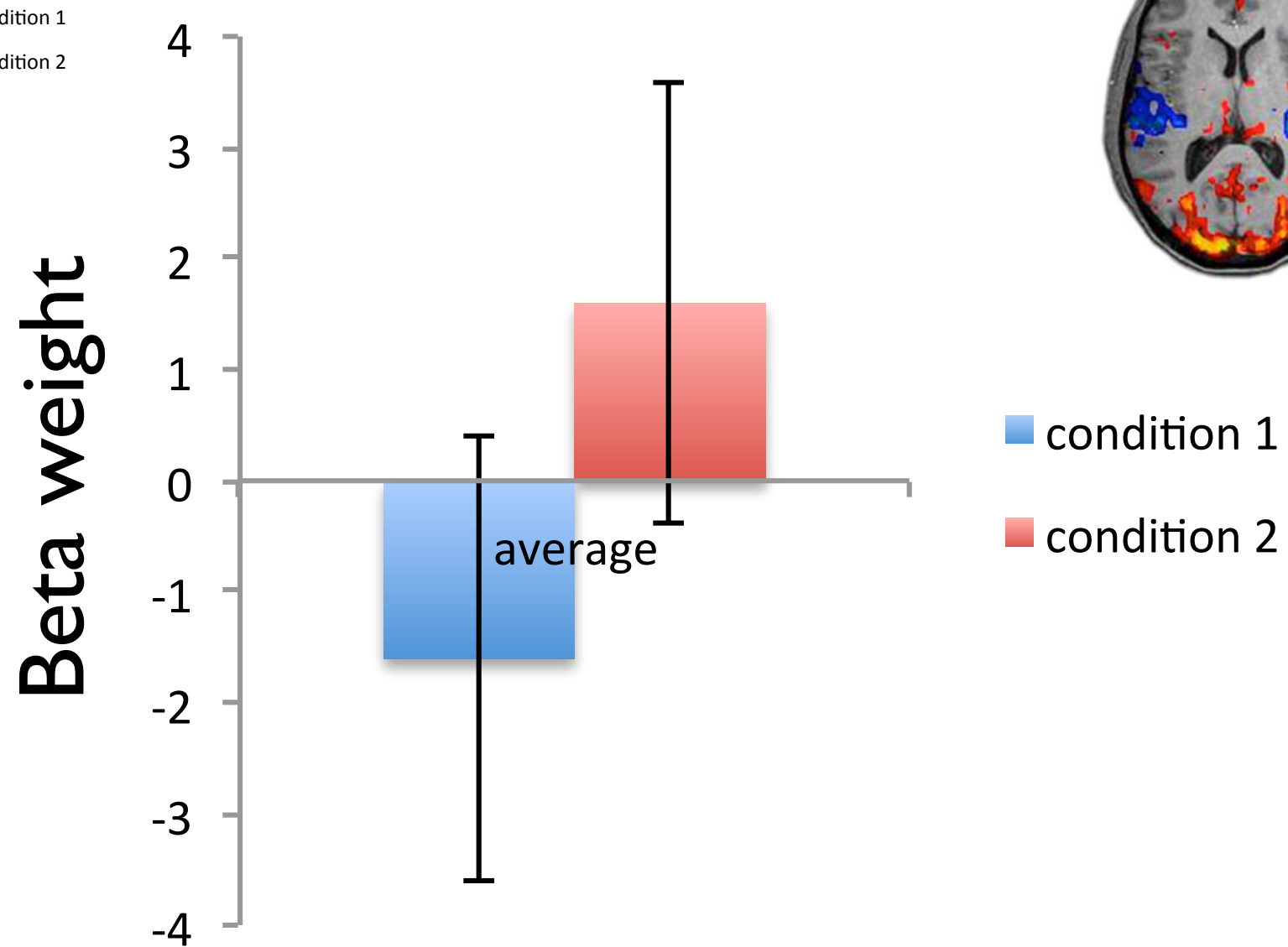
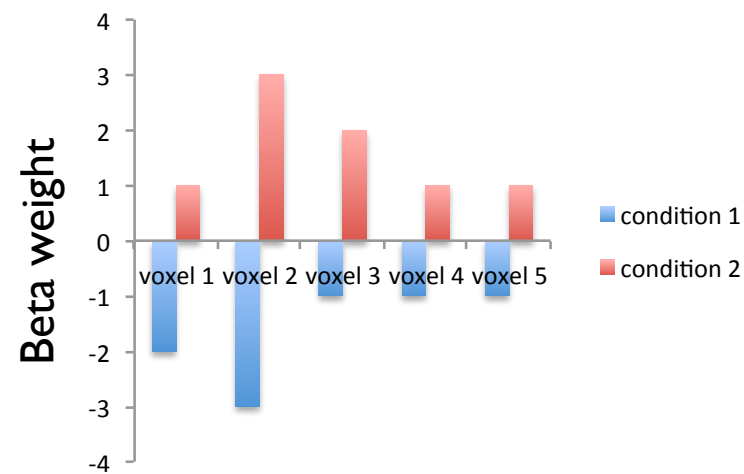
- Military Vehicle Preservation Association
- Multivoxel pattern analysis (fMRI)
- Multivariate pattern analysis (EEG and fMRI)
- Univariate versus Multivariate



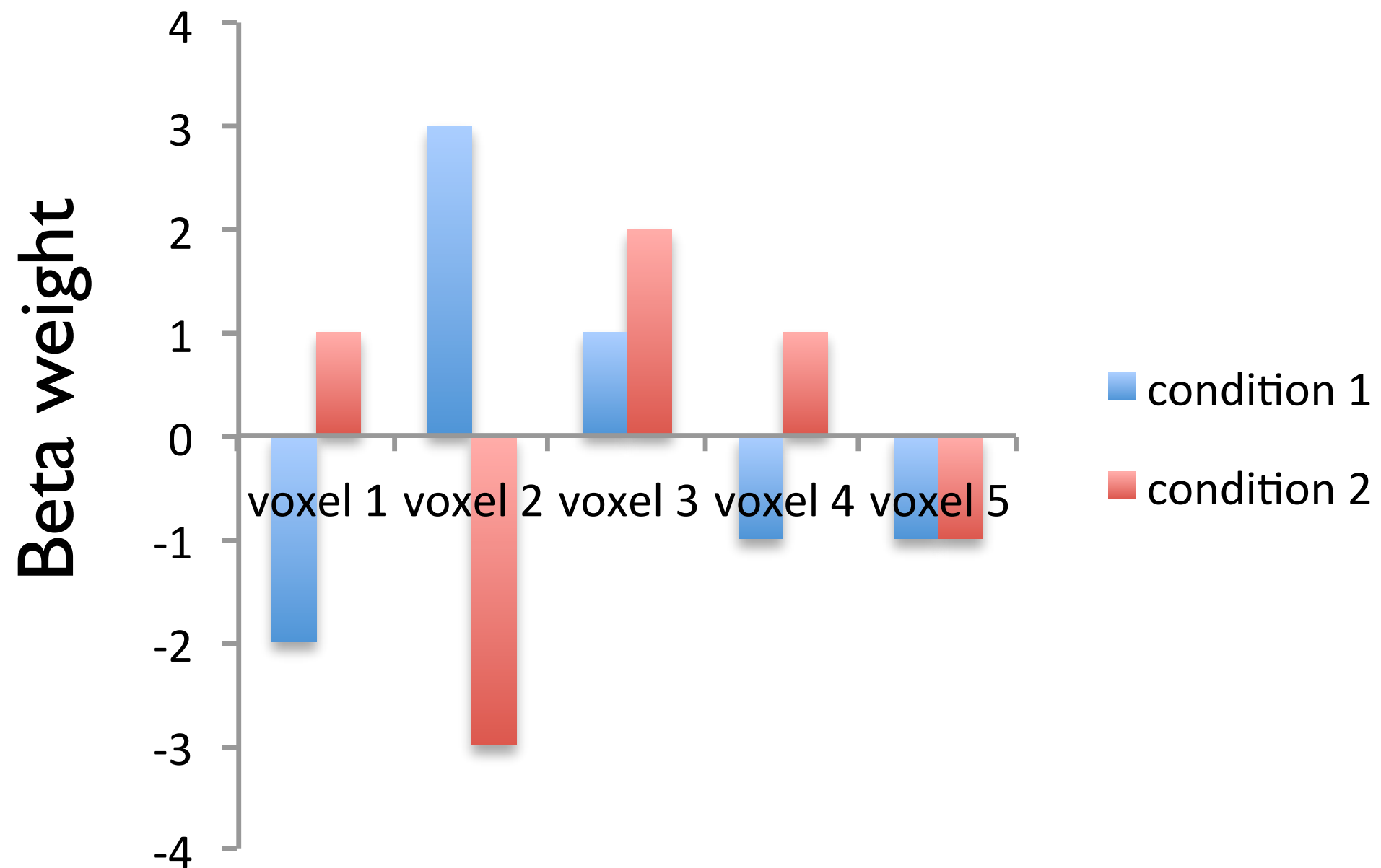
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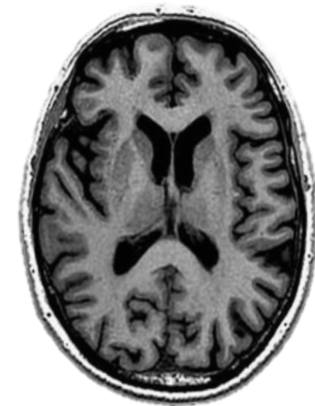
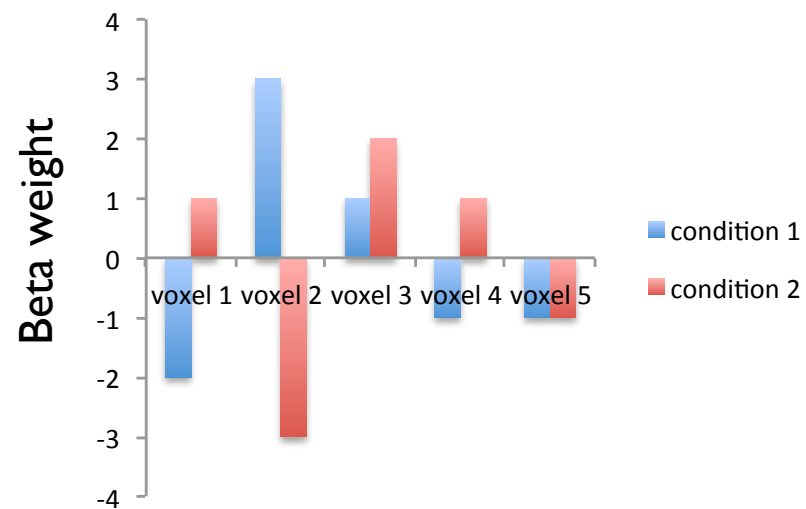
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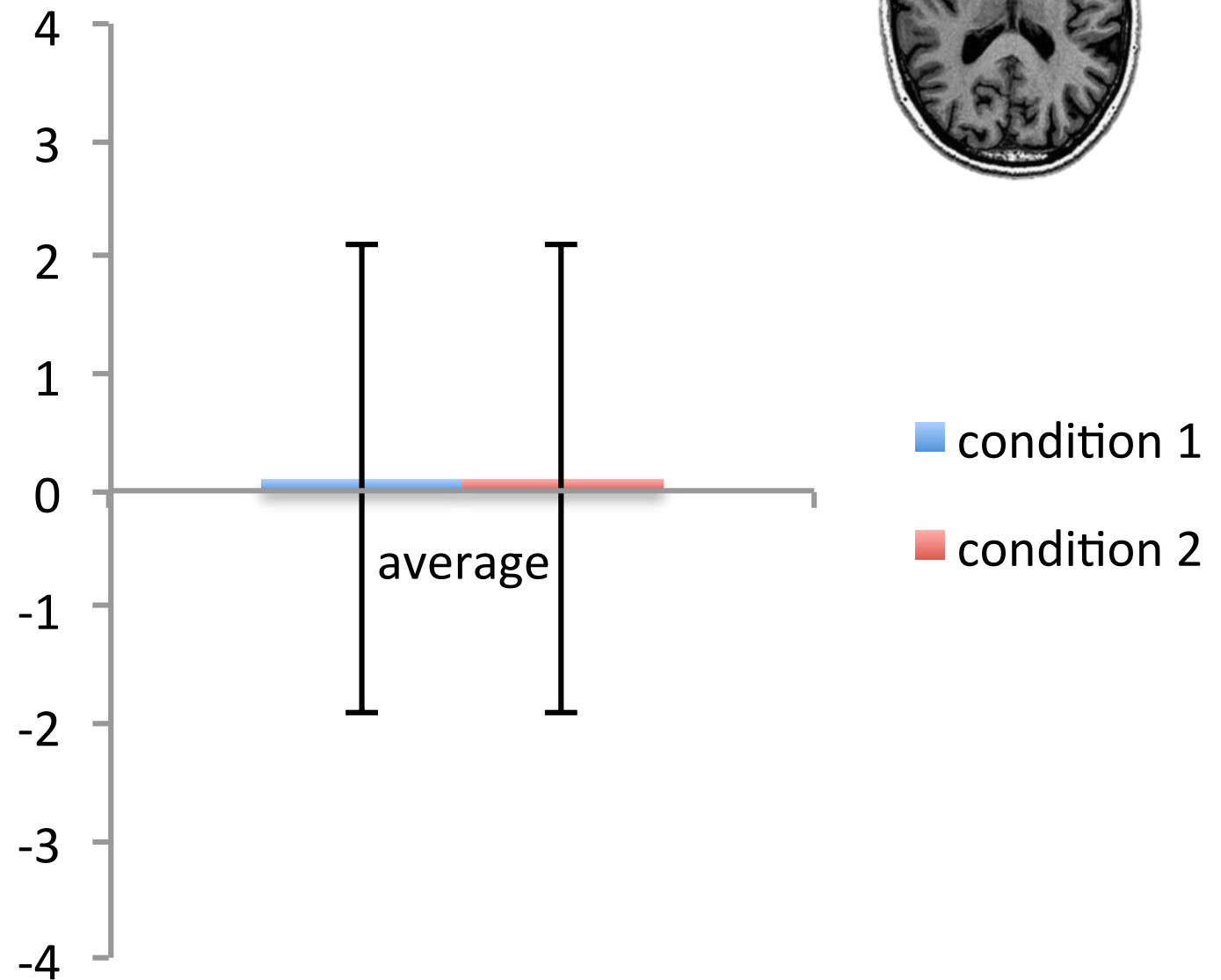
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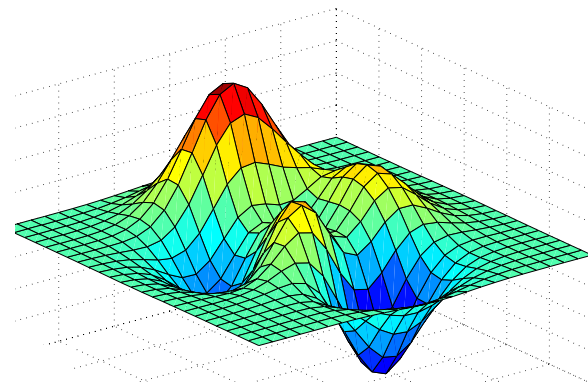
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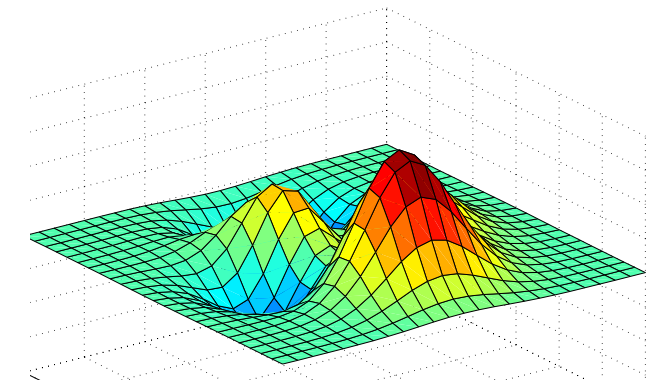
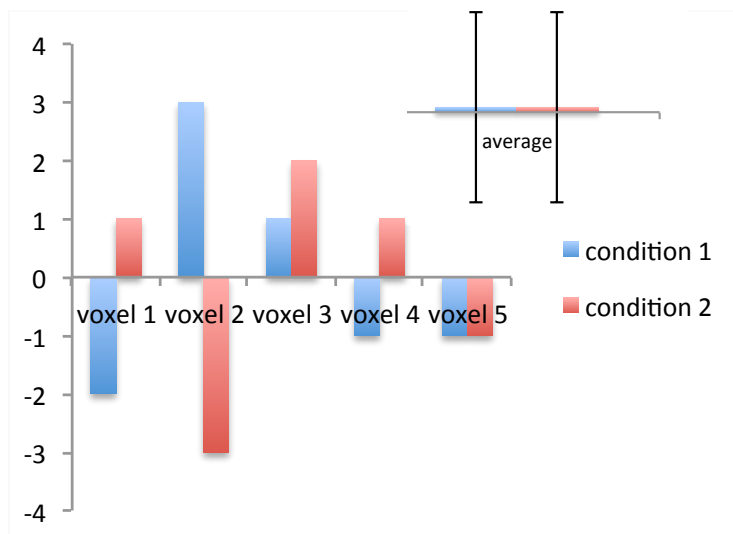
Beta weight



But multivariate signal may be consistent!

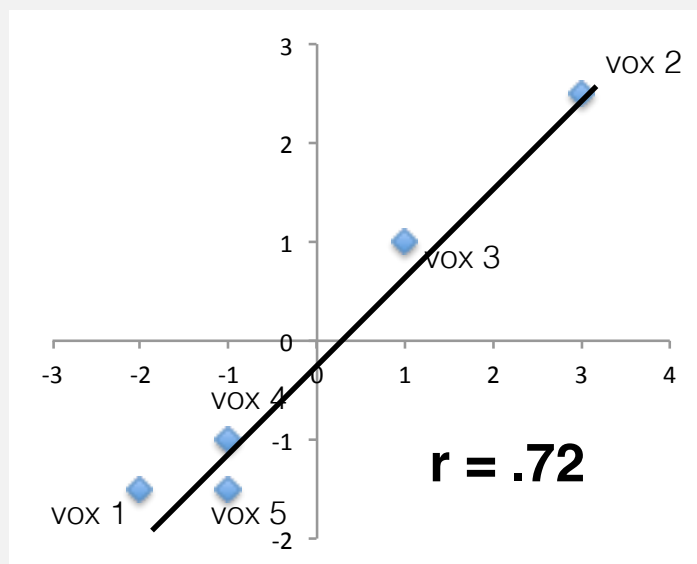


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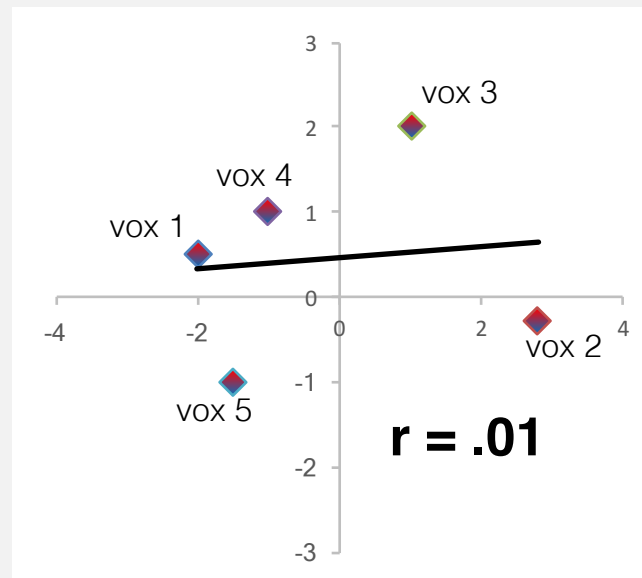
condition 2

condition 1 (trial 1)



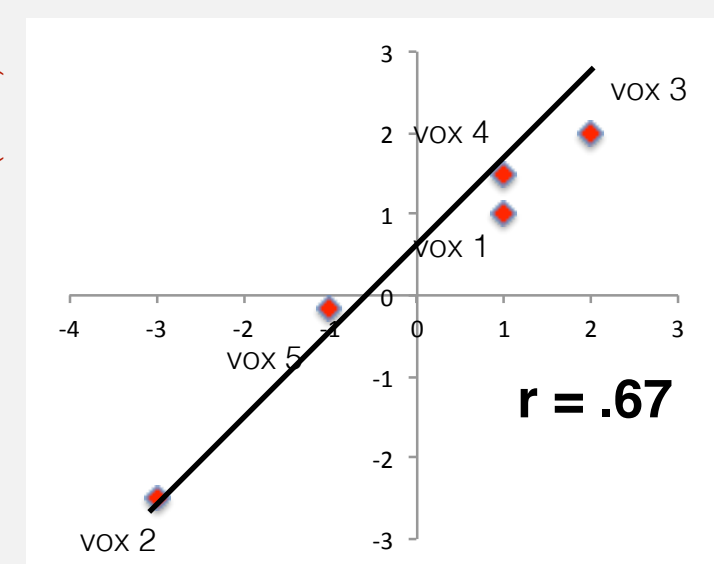
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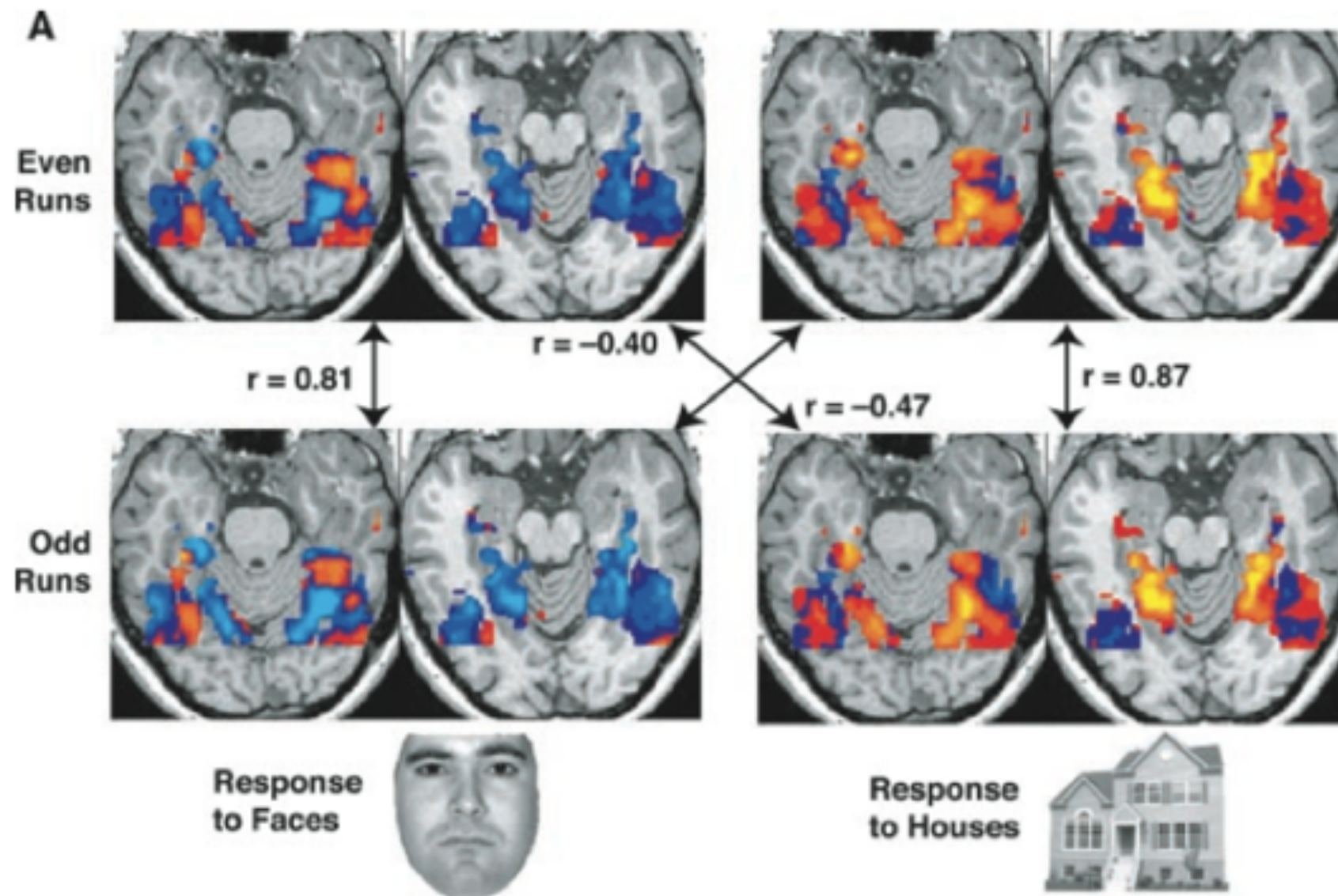
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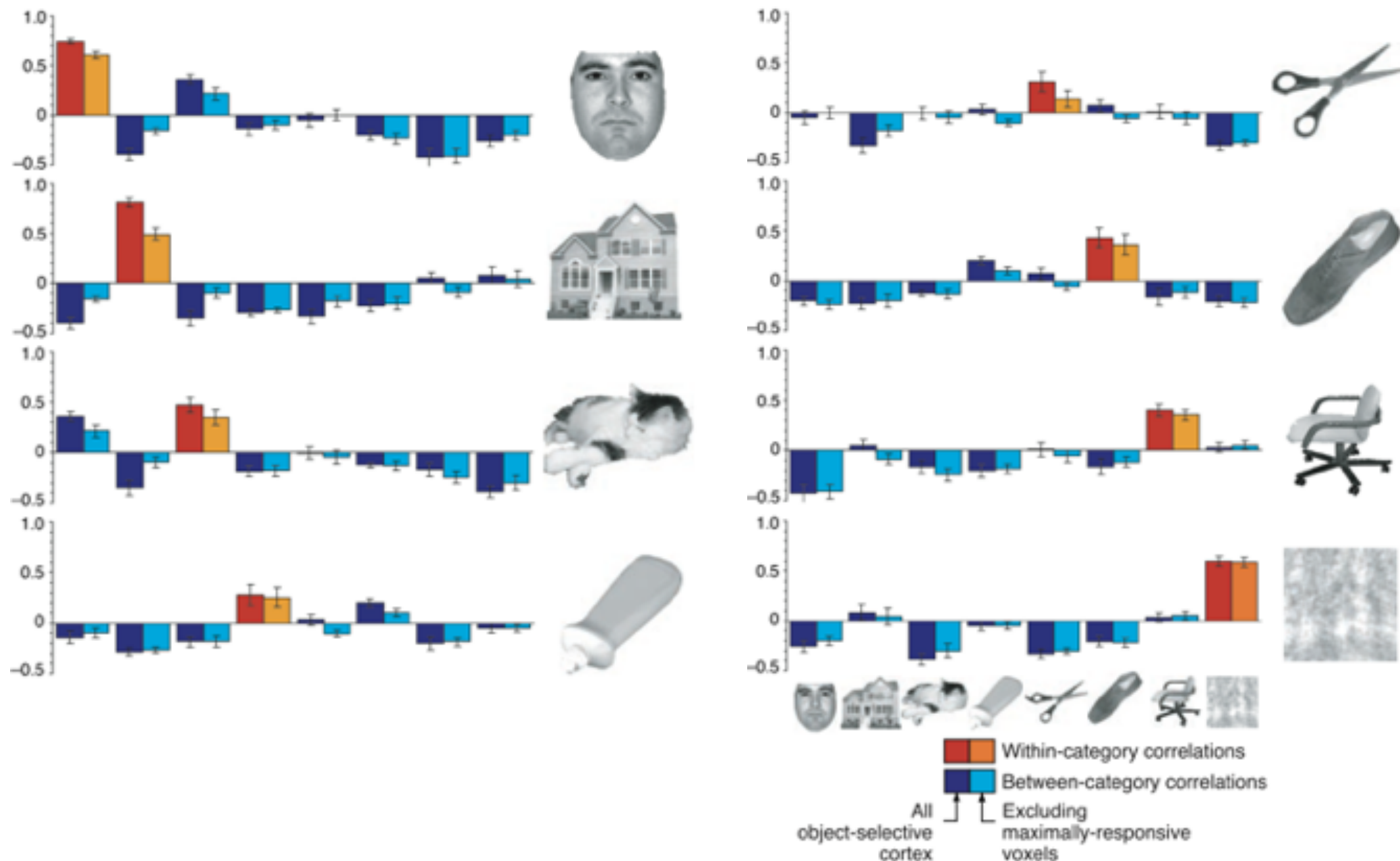
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The first truly multivariate study in fMRI



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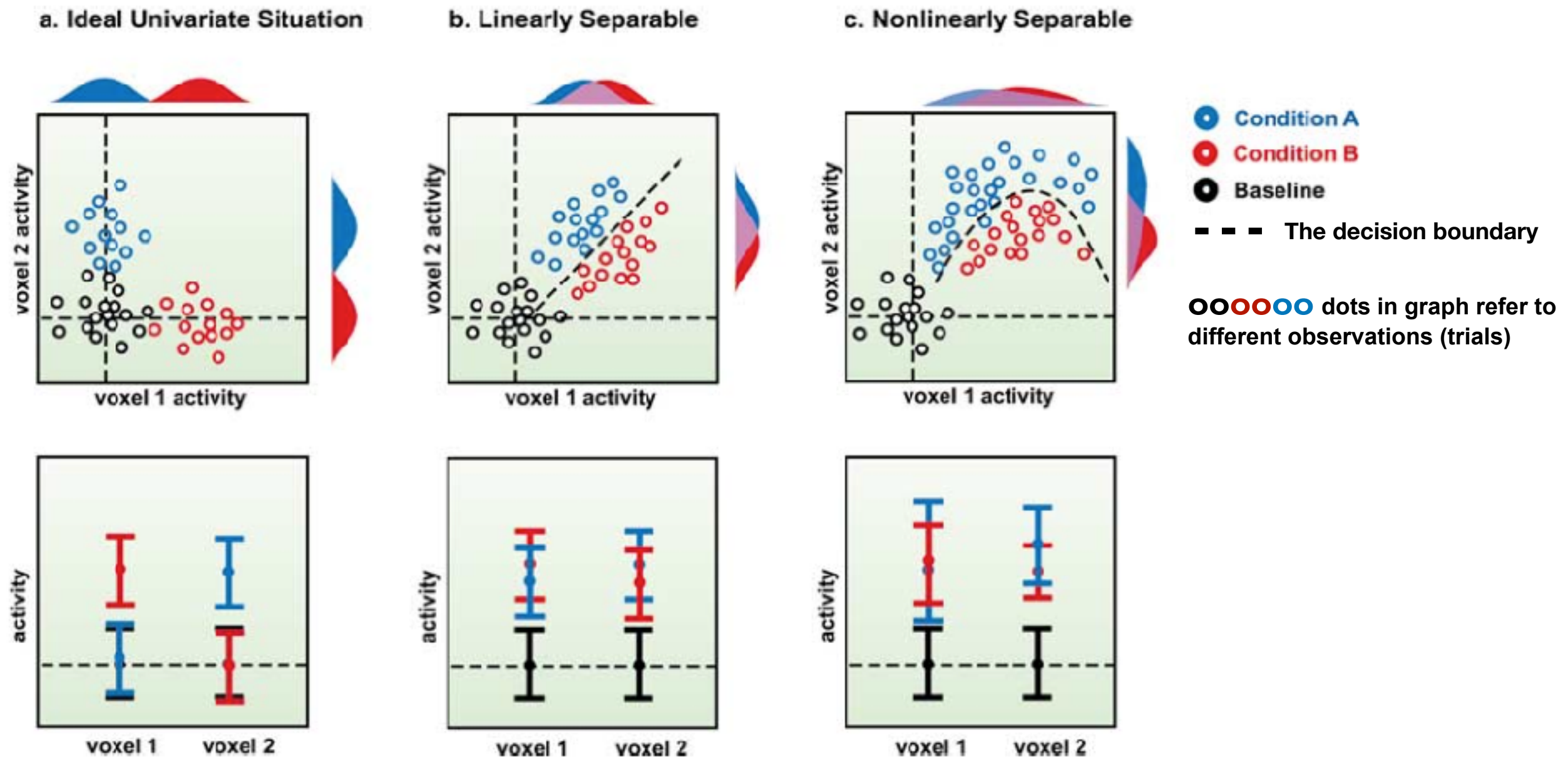


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How to identify multivariate patterns (‘landscapes’)?

- Representational Similarity Analysis (RSA, correlation) or Representational Dissimilarity Matrices (RDMs, I-correlation)
- Train-test algorithms (e.g. LDA, SVM) :
 - linear classifiers
 - nonlinear classifiers

Univariate versus Multivariate analysis

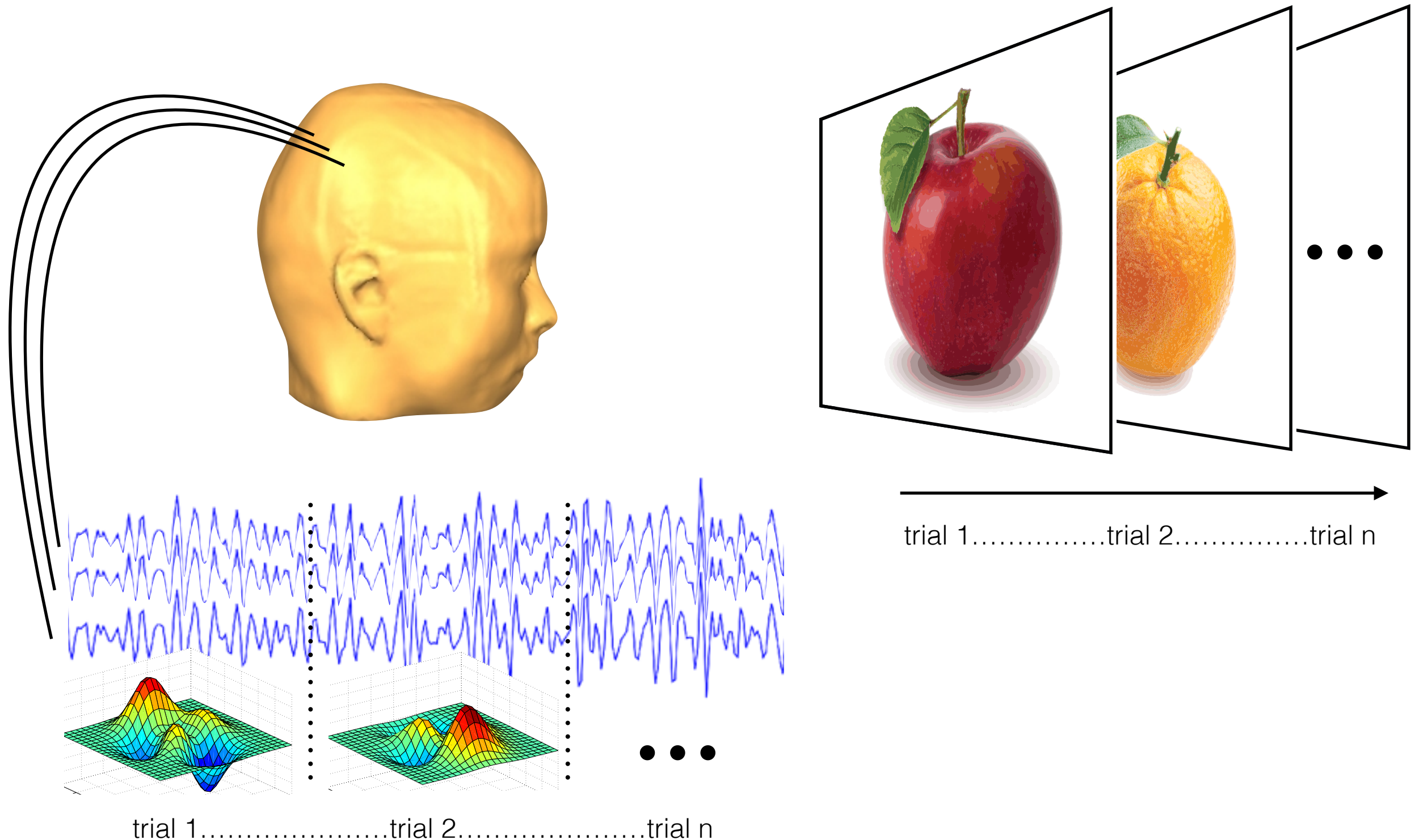


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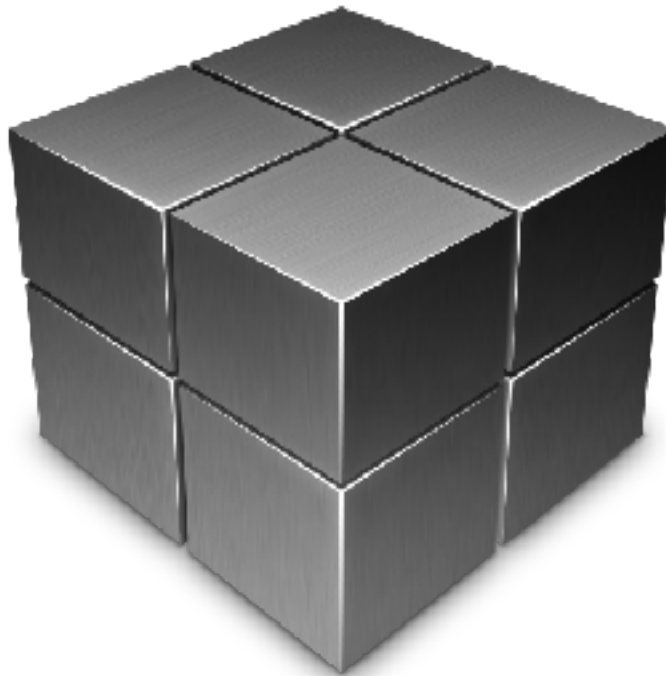
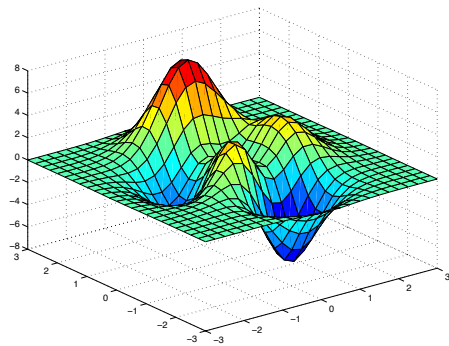
MVPA in EEG

- Essentially the same thing as in fMRI, now using **electrodes** rather than **voxels** as **features**
- ERPs are conceptually similar to old school univariate GLM analysis in fMRI
- Using MVPA, you can identify whether patterns of activation across the brain are different between conditions (even when specific ERPs would look highly similar)

Experiment: find a Neural Correlate of processing Apples and Oranges (NCAO)



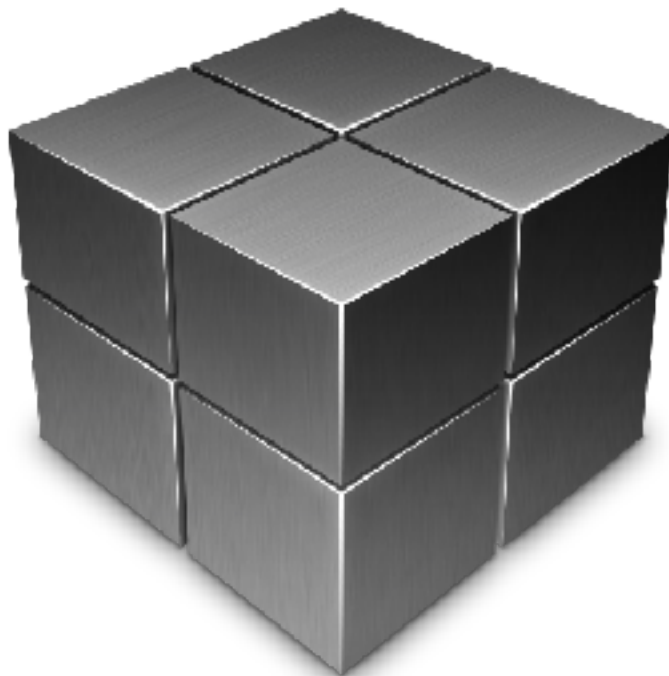
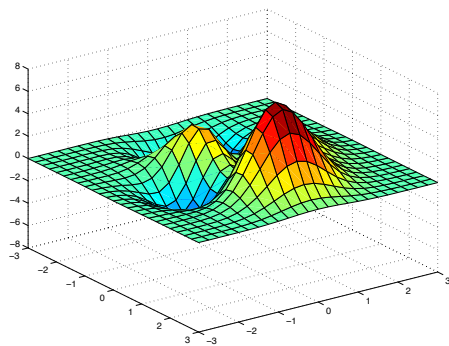
Training



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Trial 1

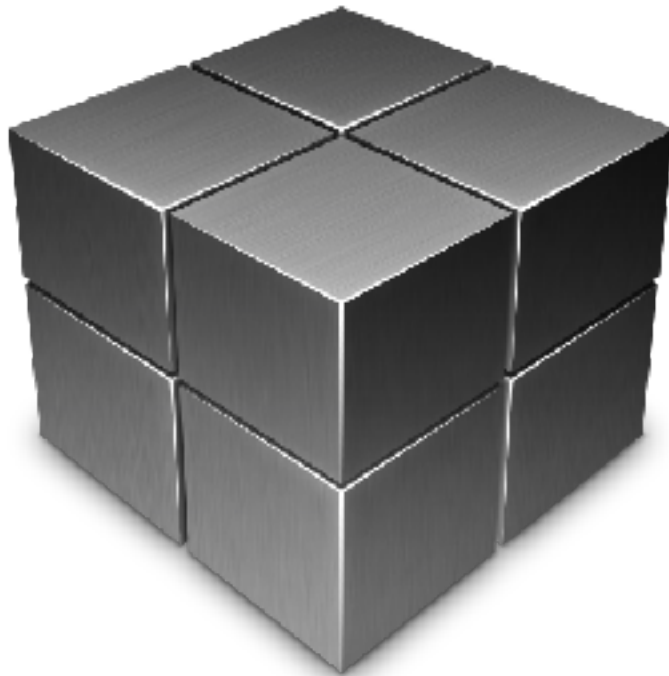
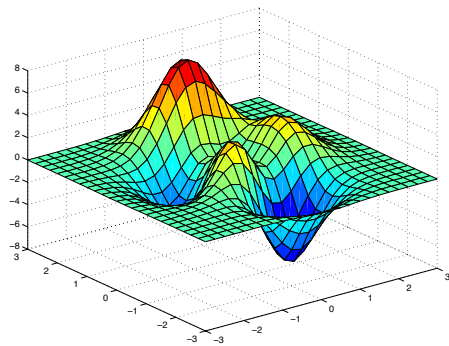
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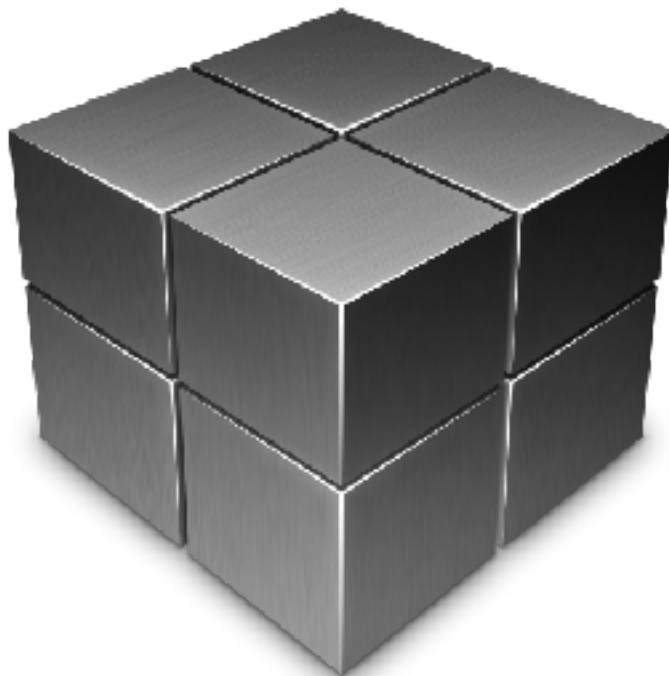
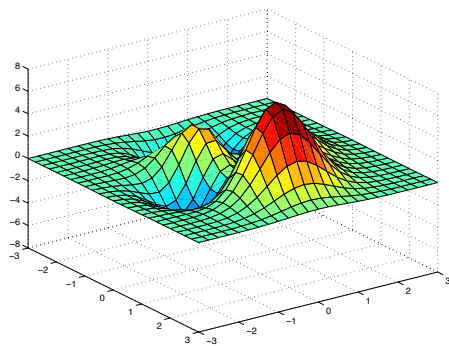
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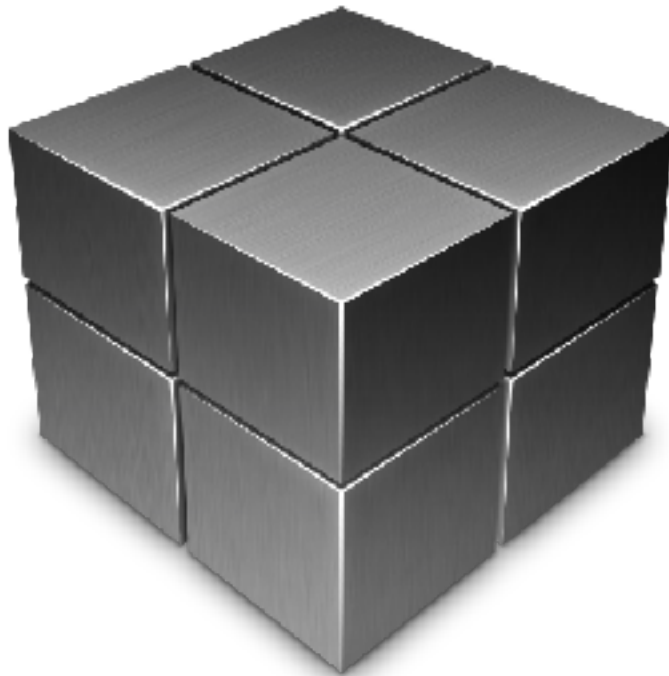
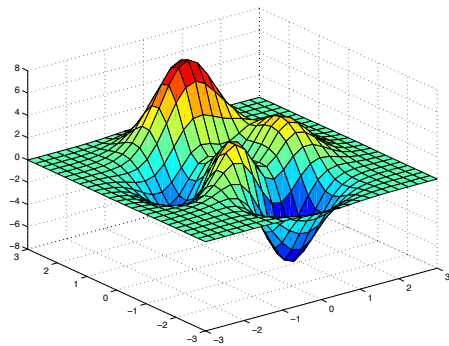
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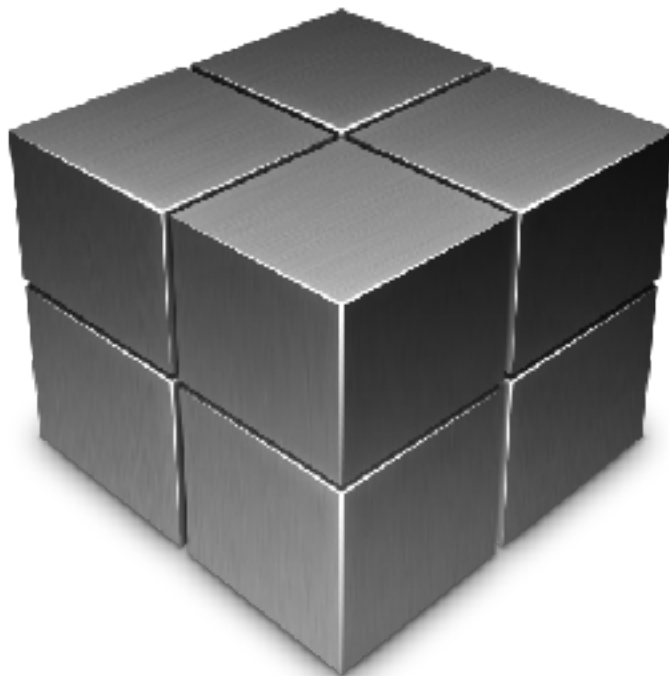
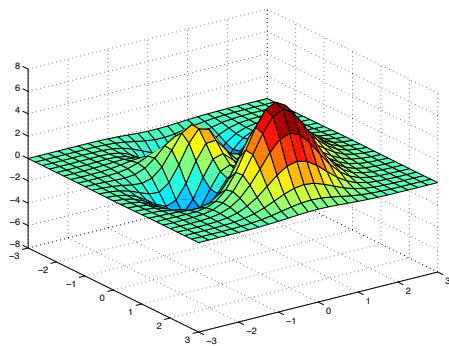
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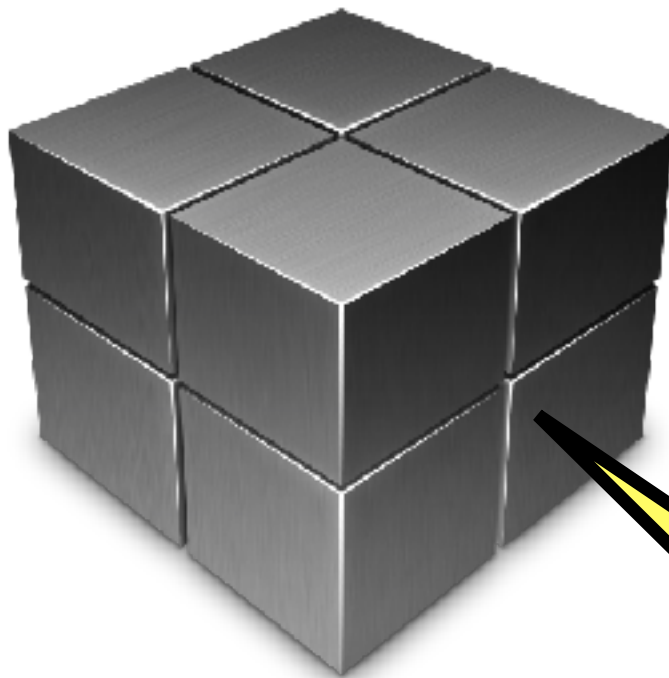
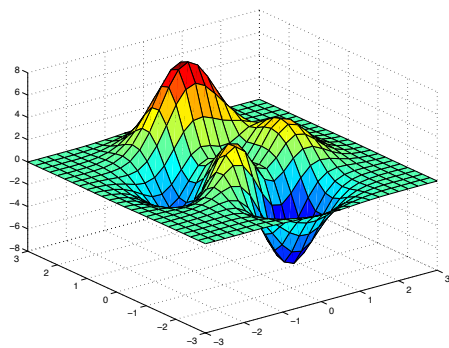
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Trial 6

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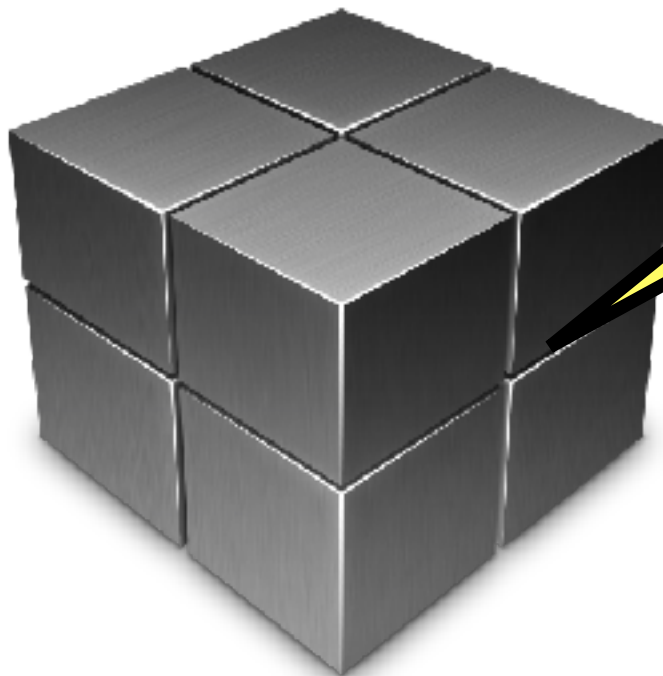
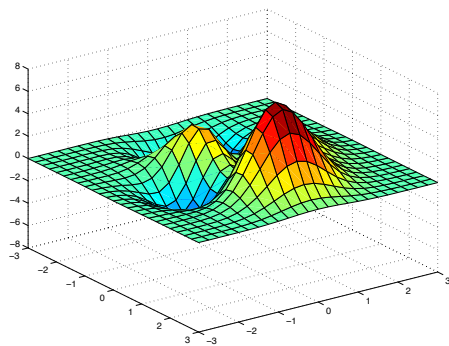


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Trial 1 (testing set)

Testing



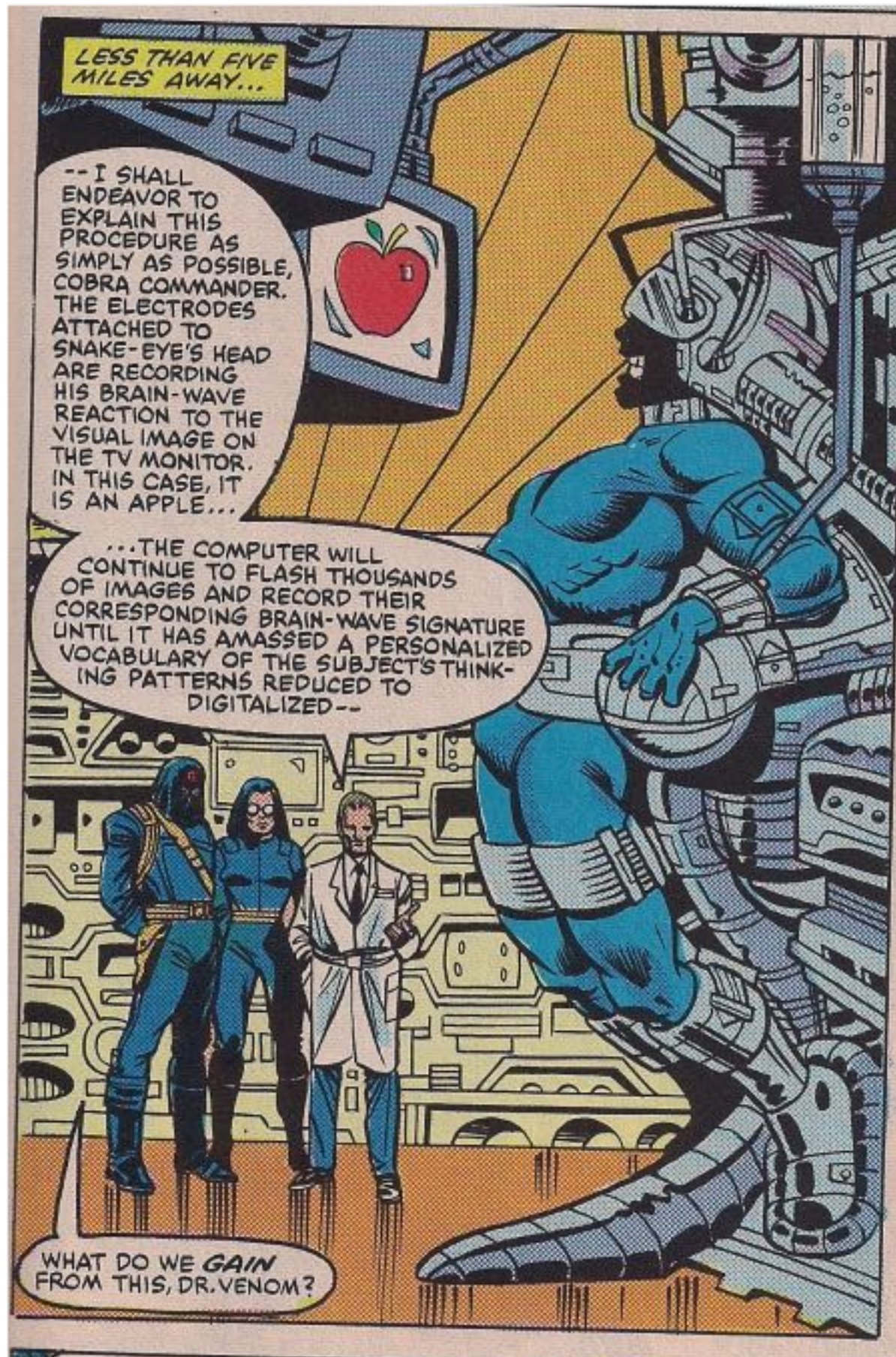
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**Predictions by classifier often
pitched as ‘brain reading’**

Trial 2 (testing set)

From a 1983 comic book



**Decoding: computing classification
performance on test data**

Train-test schemes

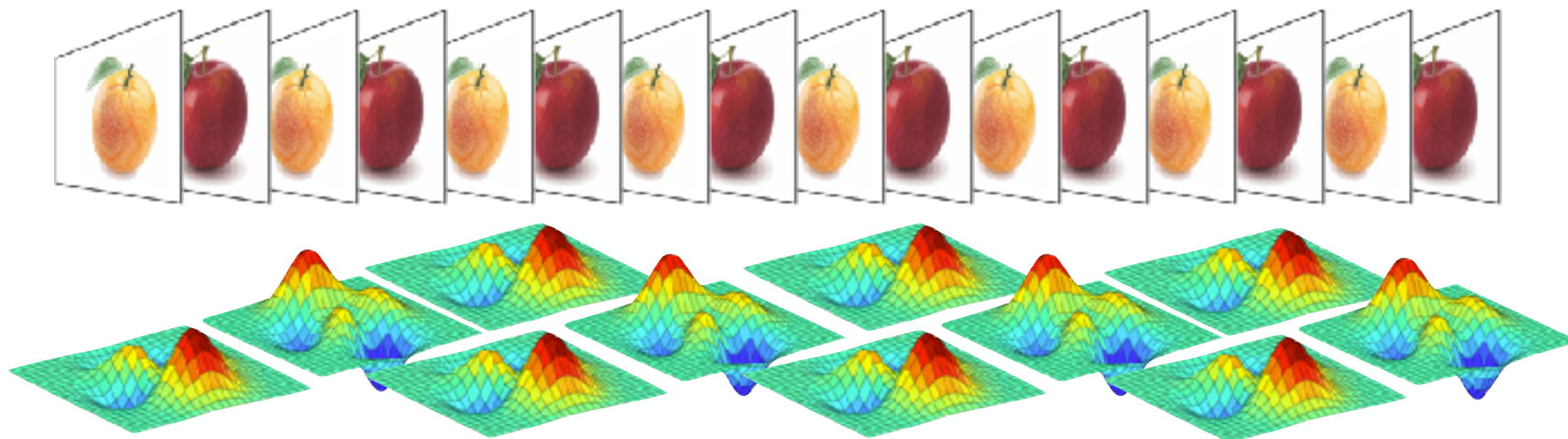
- Your training set should always be *independent* from your testing set (never use the same data for training and for testing)
- Two ways of doing this:
 - Use the same dataset for training and testing, while never training on the same data as you tested on:
k-fold cross-validation
 - Use two different datasets, a **separate training** set for training, and a different one for testing

K-fold cross-validation

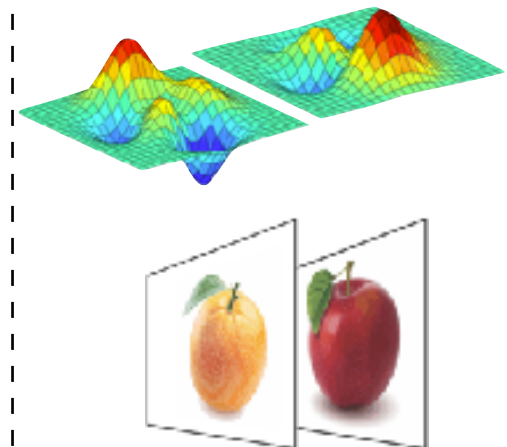
90% train

labels

data



10% test



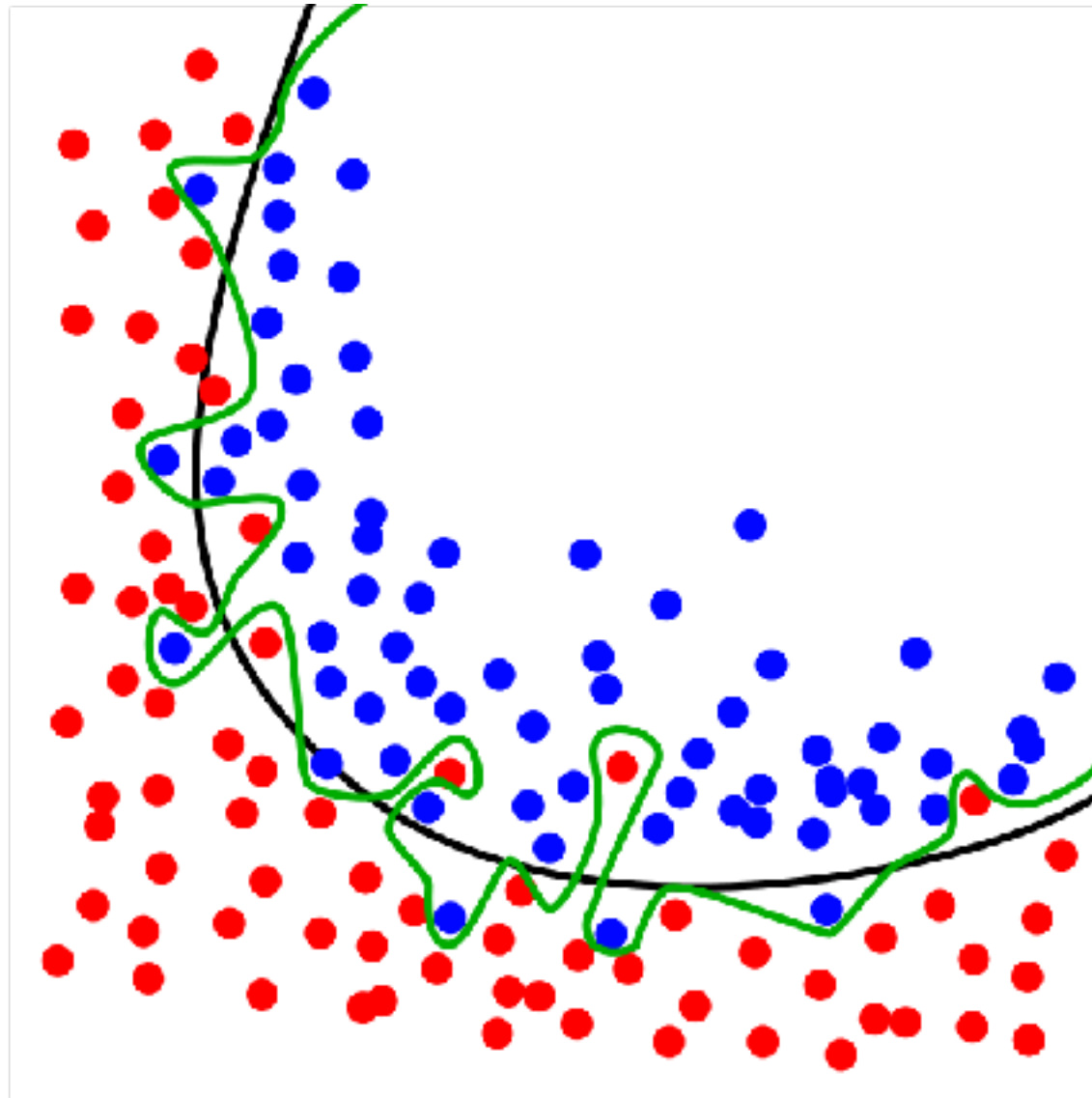
compute accuracy on test data

WHY?

Repeat until all data has been tested once

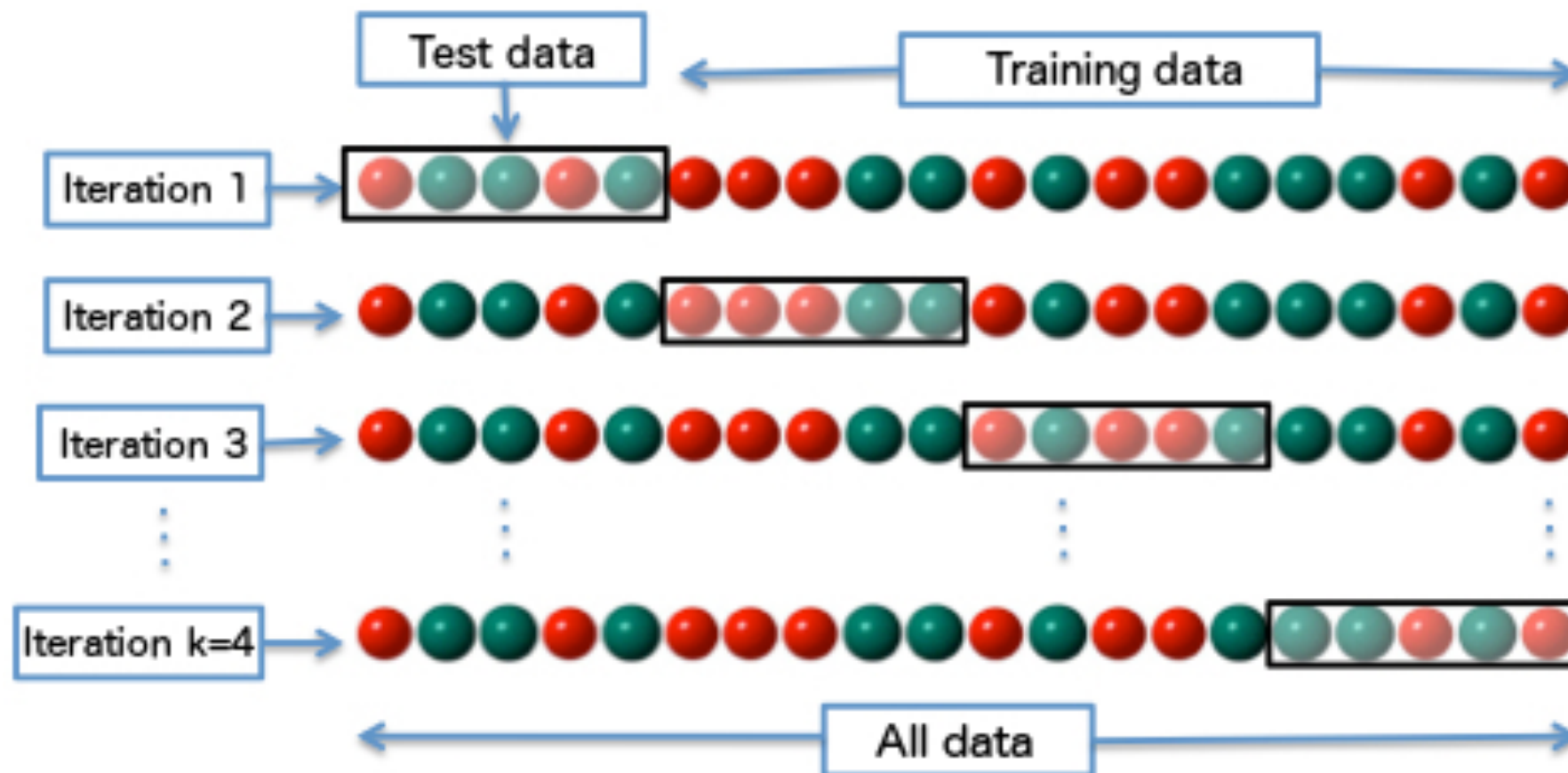
and **compute classification performance across folds**

Keep train and test data
independent to prevent **overfitting**



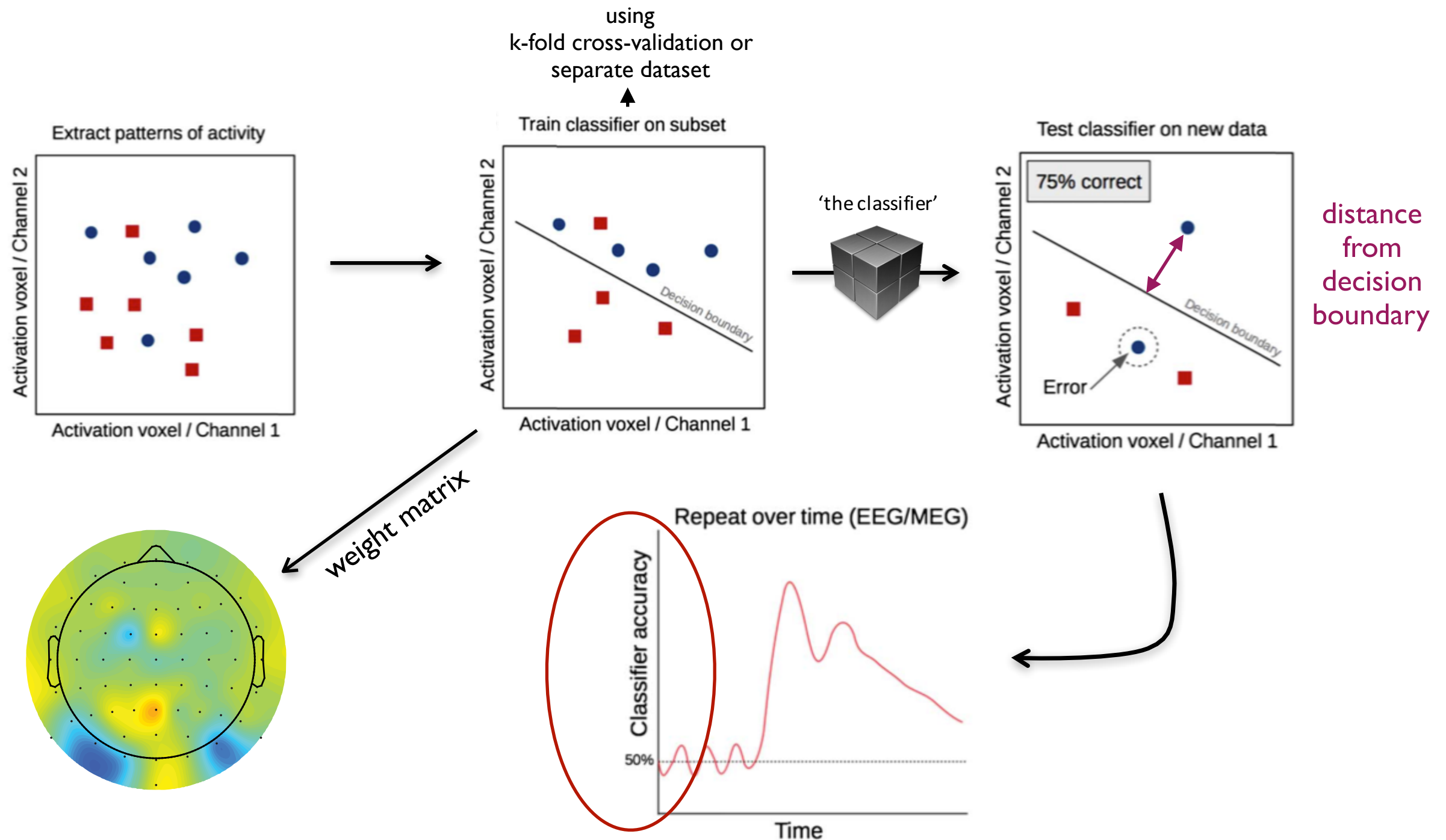
Conceptually similar to double dipping
(= using the same data for data selection and statistical testing)

Why is it called K -fold cross-validation?



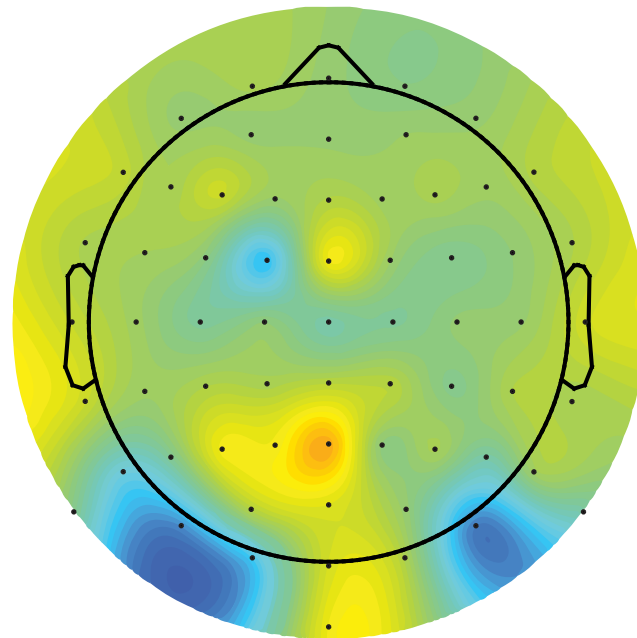
- If $k = 4$, the classification will be ran **4 times**, each time training on **75%** of the data and testing on **25%** of the data
- The result will be averaged across the **4 folds**, thus testing all data exactly once
- If k is equal to the number of trials in your dataset, the method is called a **leave-one-out cross-validation procedure**
- Alternatively, you can collect a **separate** dataset for training your classifier (akin to a '*mapper*' in fMRI analysis)

What do EEG decoding results look like?

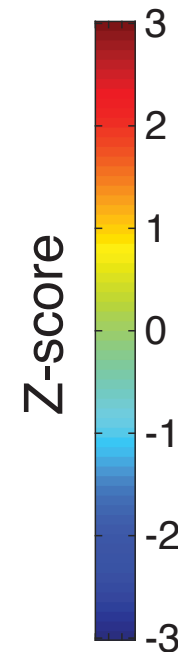
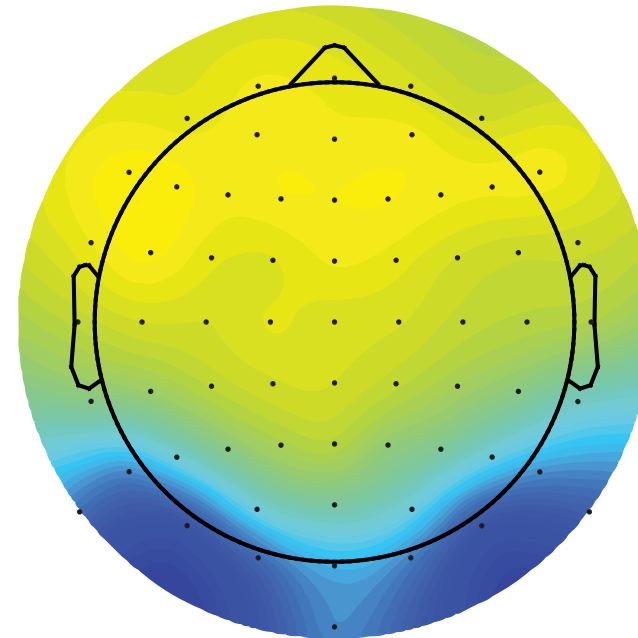


Weight matrix

**Weights
(non-interpretable)**



**Activation pattern
(equivalent to univariate)**



Two options:

- 1) $\text{weights} * \text{covariance matrix} = \text{activation pattern}$
- 2) $\text{weights} * \text{correlation matrix} = \text{class/correlation separability map}$

Performance measures: the confusion matrix

A confusion matrix is a table that is used to describe the performance of a classification model (or "**classifier**") on a set of test data for which the true values are known.

n=165	Predicted: NO	Predicted: YES
	correct rejections 50	false alarms 10
Actual: NO		
Actual: YES	misses 5	hits 100

Performance measures: overall accuracy

The percentage correctly classified instances across all data. Highly sensitive to bias (especially when classes are not balanced)
should not be used, ever.

n=165	Predicted: NO	Predicted: YES
	Actual: NO	Actual: YES
	0	60
	0	105

$$\text{Accuracy} = 105 / 165 = 63\%$$

Performance measures: balanced accuracy

Balanced accuracy = average percentage correct for each class, averaged across classes

n=165	Predicted: NO	Predicted: YES
	Actual: NO	Actual: YES
	0	60
	0	105

$$\text{Accuracy} = (0/60 + 105/105)/2 = (0 + 1)/2 = 50\%$$

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SDT measures

- Hit rate – False alarm rate
- $d' = Z(\text{HR}) - Z(\text{FAR})$
- AUC = Area Under the Curve

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hit rate = 100 / 105 = .95

false alarm rate = 10/60 = 0.16

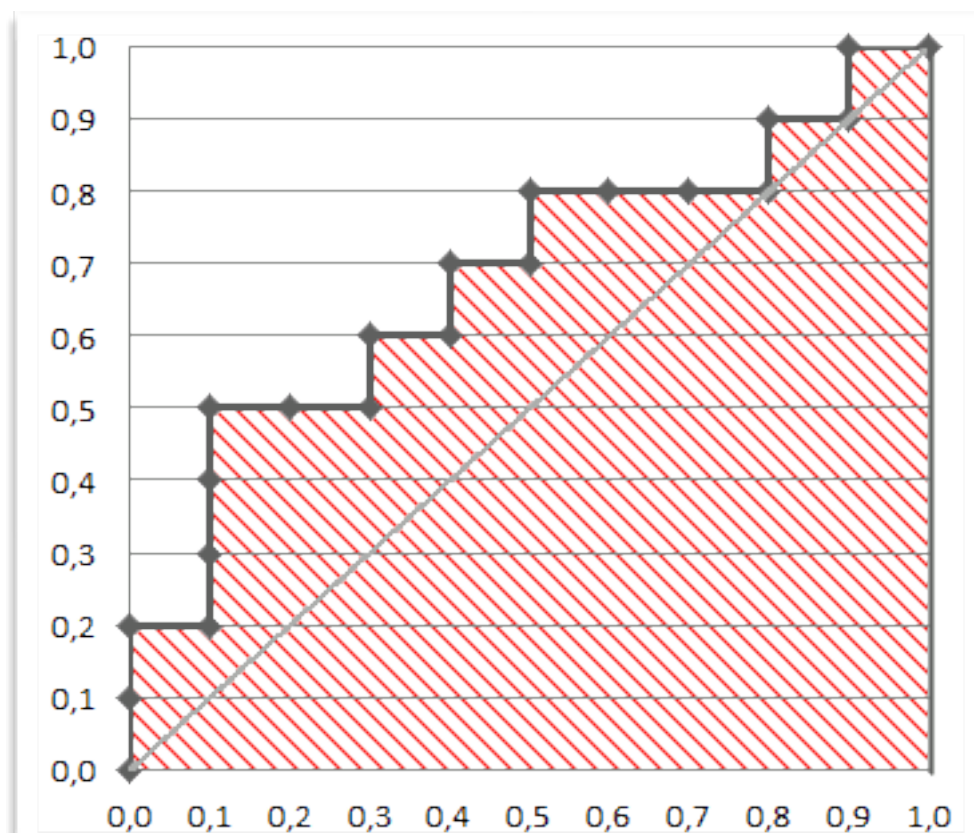
Signal Detection Theory (SDT) measures: Area Under the Curve (AUC)

decision
boundary

Using the 'score' (probability)
that an instance is from a certain class

		Predict NO		Predict YES
N	Actual: NO	0	← Probability of YES →	1
P	Actual: YES	0	← Probability of YES →	1

hit rate
 $P(\text{predict_YES}|\text{actual_YES})$



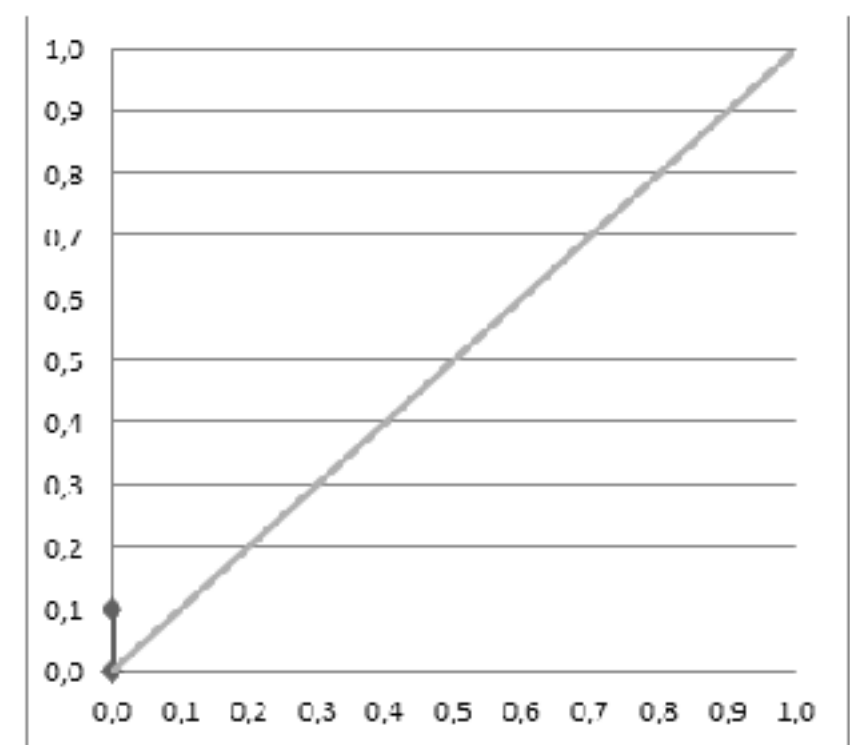
$P(\text{predict_YES}|\text{actual_NO})$

false alarm rate

sorted probabilities

#	C	Score
1	P	0,9
2	P	0,8
3	N	0,7
4	P	0,6
5	P	0,55
6	P	0,54
7	N	0,53
8	N	0,52
9	P	0,51
10	N	0,505
11	P	0,4
12	N	0,39
13	P	0,38
14	N	0,37
15	N	0,36
16	N	0,35
17	P	0,34
18	N	0,33
19	P	0,3
20	N	0,1

Actual class label
(P = Yes, N = No)



Probability of YES
(according to the classifier)

Experimental design and analytical approach

- **conditions** versus **classes**

	Face	House
Face cue	25%	10%
House cue	10%	25%
Neutral cue	15%	15%

- Experimental design: the *condition labels* describe the cells in your factorial design
- Analytical approach using decoding: the *stimulus classes* are the relevant things that you are comparing when doing a decoding analysis (often these are the levels of a factor in your design)

Within class imbalances

Classes: face versus house

	Face	House	Factor 'stimulus type'
Face cue	25%	10%	35%
House cue	10%	25%	35%
Neutral cue	15%	15%	30%
	50%	50%	100%

Factor
'expectation'

Designs are often not balanced even when they seem to be at first glance

Within class imbalances

But the number of trials may not be balanced ***within stimulus classes***

	Face	House	Factor 'stimulus type'
Face cue	25%	10%	35%
House cue	10%	25%	35%
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Factor
'expectation' ↑

Correctly cued items contribute more strongly to the comparison than neutrally or incorrectly cued items

Within class imbalances

The ADAM toolbox automatically *removes trials* within the underrepresented *conditions* to keep the design balanced (this is called ***undersampling***)

	Face	House	Factor 'stimulus type'
Face cue	10%	10%	20%
House cue	10%	10%	20%
Neutral cue	10%	10%	20%
	30%	30%	60%

Factor
'expectation' ↑

Between class imbalances

Your design may also be unbalanced *between stimulus classes*

	Target	Foil	← Factor 'stimulus type'
Target cue	45%	5%	50%
Neutral cue	45%	5%	50%
↑ Factor 'expectation'	90%	10%	100%

Unbalanced accuracy = percentage correctly classified across all instances
Highly sensitive to bias when classes are not balanced!

Between class imbalances

By default, ADAM balances between classes by *duplicating/generating trials* of the underrepresented classes in the training set (this is called **oversampling**)

	Target	Foil	Factor 'stimulus type'
Target cue	45%	5% * 9	50%
Neutral cue	45%	5% * 9	50%
	50%	50%	100%

Factor
'expectation' ↑

Some MVPA (machine learning) lingo

- The algorithm that is used to classify multivariate data patterns into distinct categories is called **the classifier**
- The categories (conditions) that the classifier discriminates are called **classes**
- The input data points used for classification are called the **features**. In the case of MEG/EEG, the channels/electrodes are usually the features.
- If a classifier is trained and tested on the same data this results in **overfitting** (in cognitive neuroscience we call this *double-dipping*)
- To prevent this, you either need to train and test on a different dataset, or use **k-fold cross-validation**
- After training, each feature is assigned a classifier **weight**, telling the classifier how useful that feature is to discriminate the relevant classes
- The performance of a classifier can be assessed in various ways, by making use of the **confusion matrix**
- **Undersampling** and **oversampling** can be used to keep a design **balanced** (preventing *bias* in classification accuracy)

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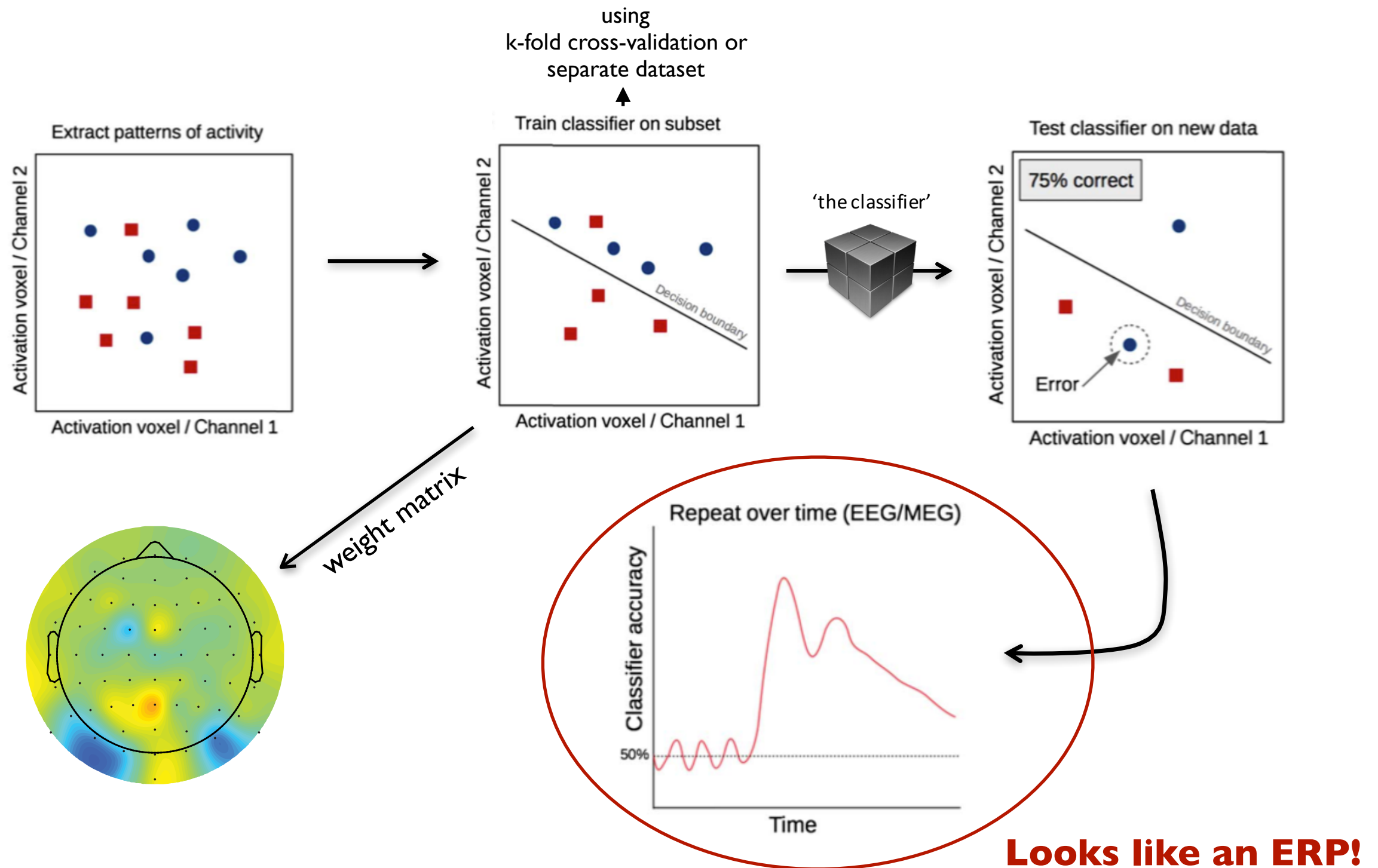
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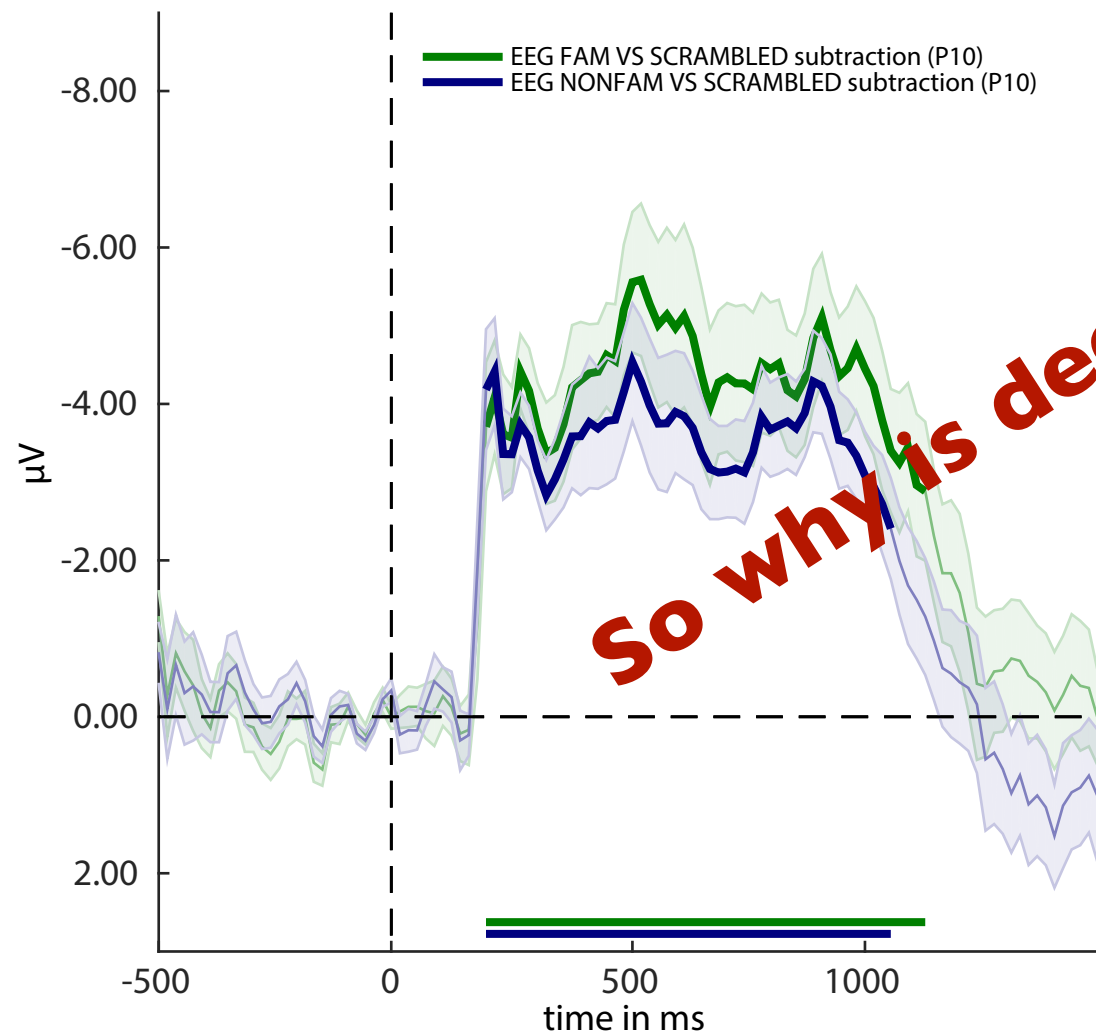
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- The temporal generalization method

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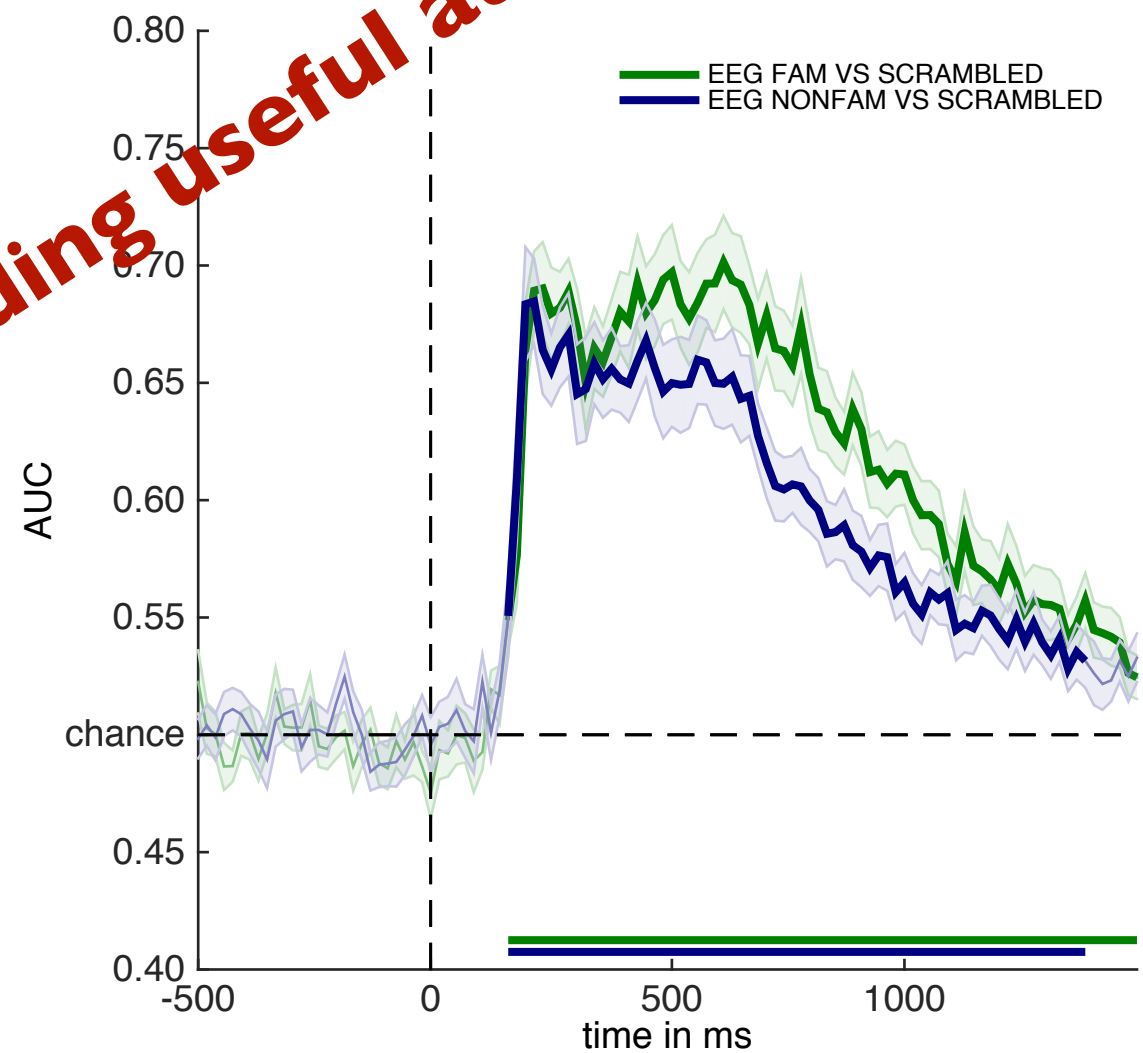


Result: a temporal signal

ERP (electrode P10)



Decoding



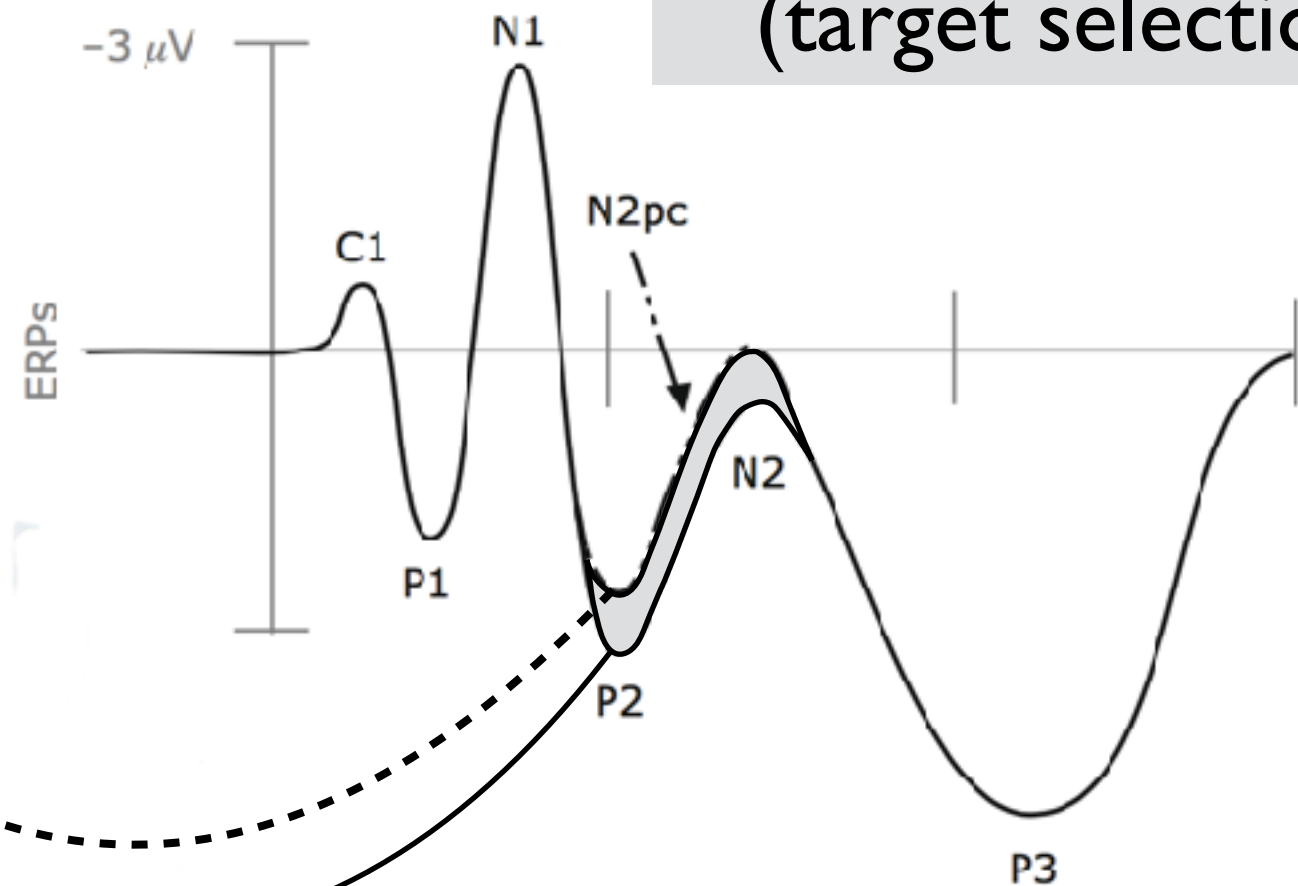
So why is decoding useful at all?

Advantages of MVPA

- Using MVPA, you do not have to specify or know *beforehand* which electrodes contain the experimental effect
- MVPA identifies differences that are not picked up by a regular ERP analysis, especially when the locus of the effect is unknown
- This also simplifies the multiple comparisons problem

Example 1: attentional selection (N2pc)

- N2pc: ~200 ms attentional capture (target selection)

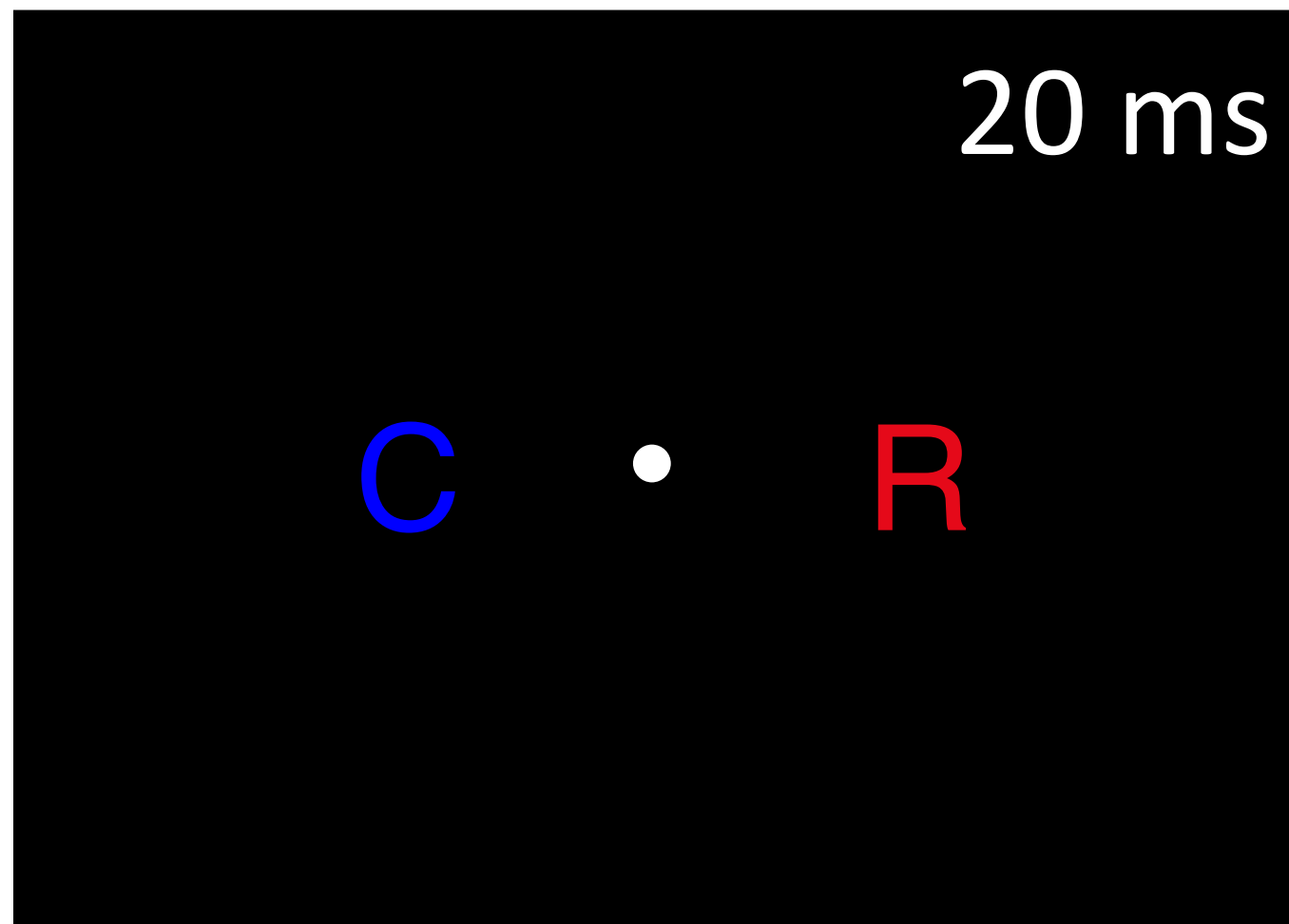


Task: search for gap
in **red item** while maintaining fixation

--- Contralateral to the target
— Ipsilateral to the target



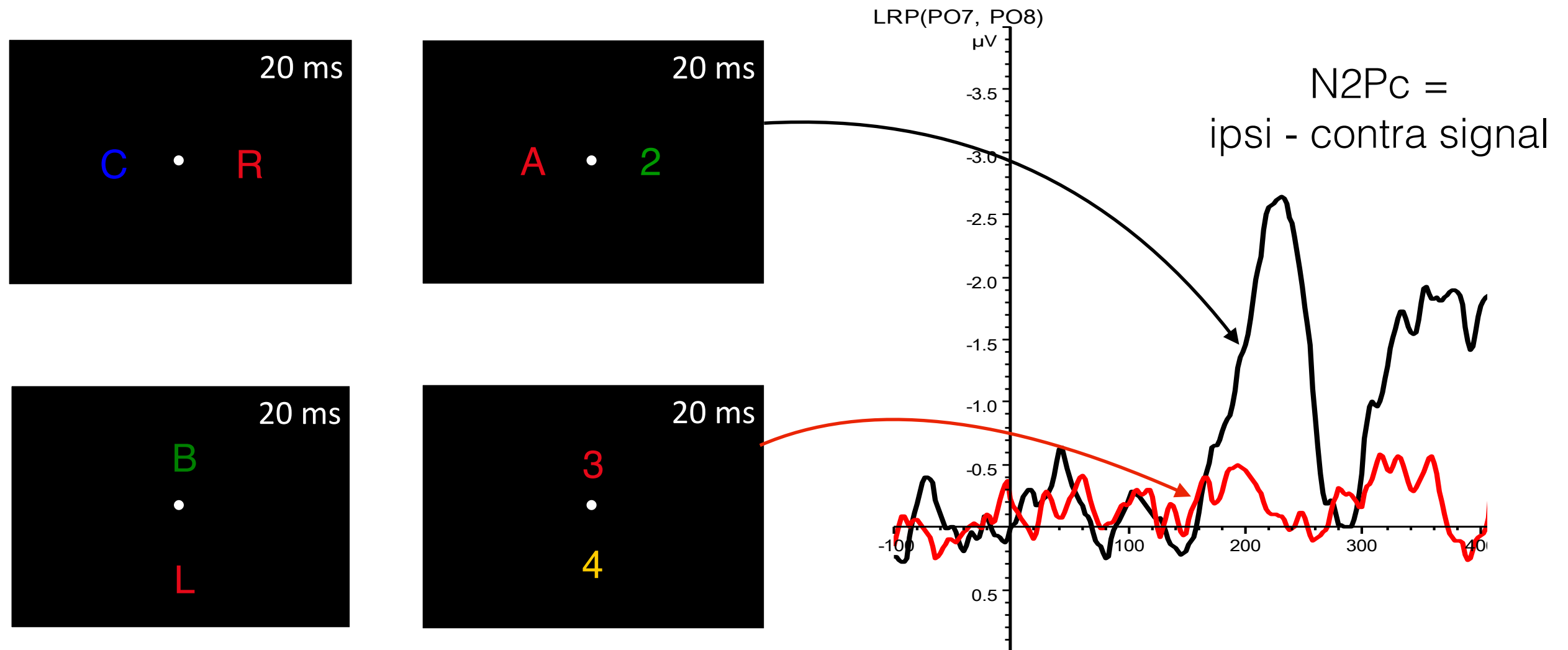
Attentional selection: N2pc



Task: identify the **red** item (digit or letter)

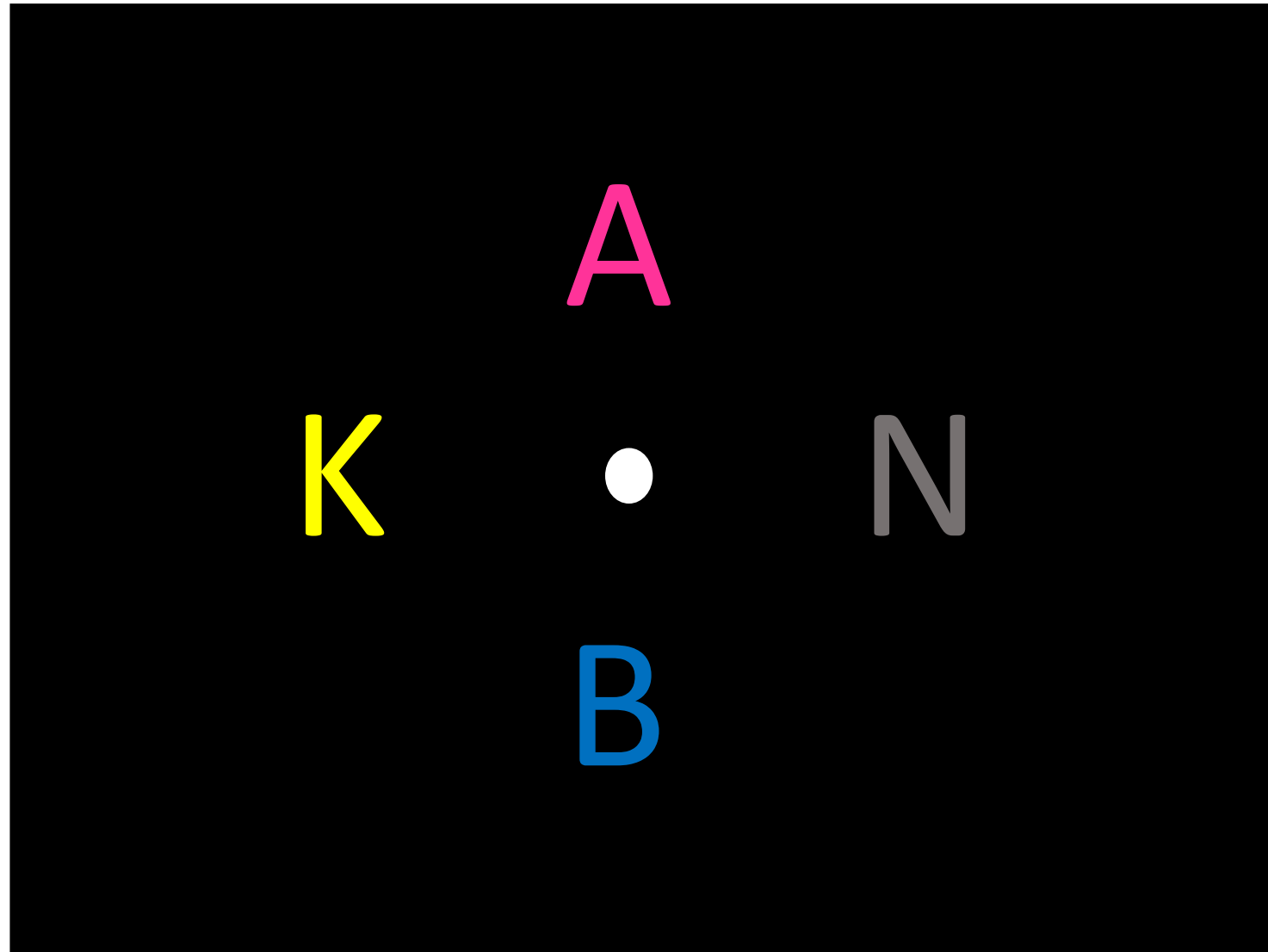
Example 1: ERP of contingent capture N2Pc

Task: detect whether red item is digit or letter



You cannot find an N2Pc for top vs bottom because the component is lateralized

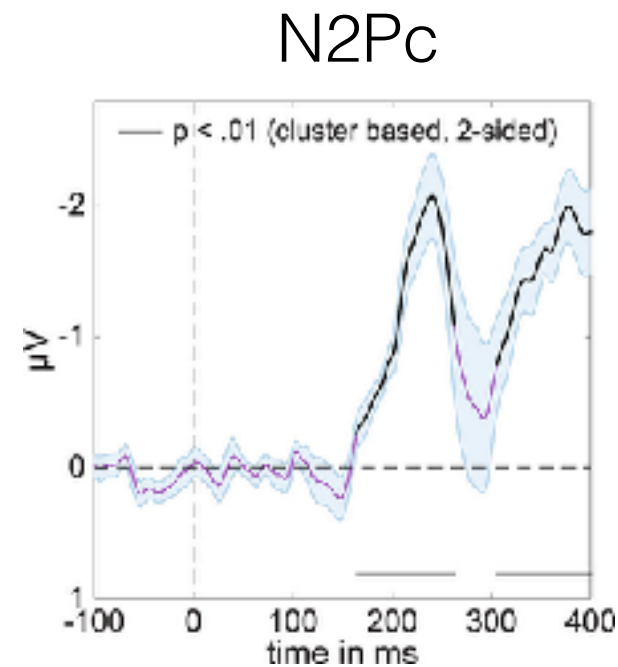
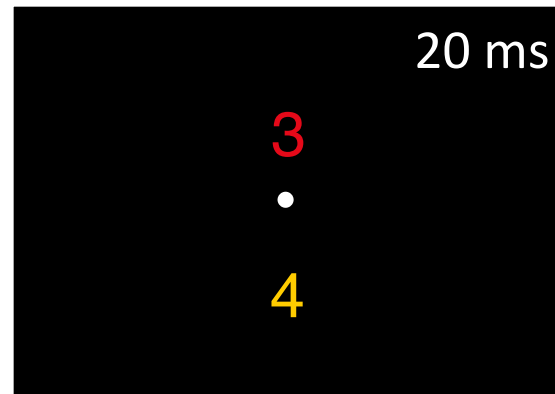
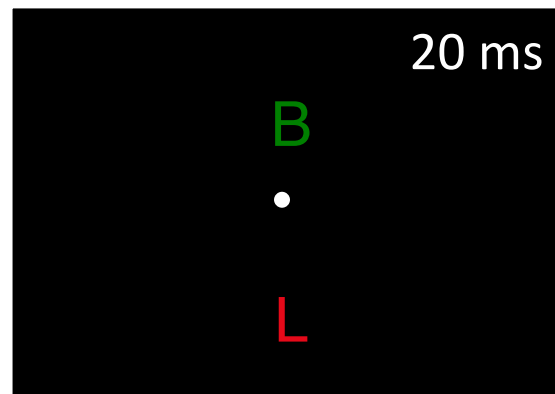
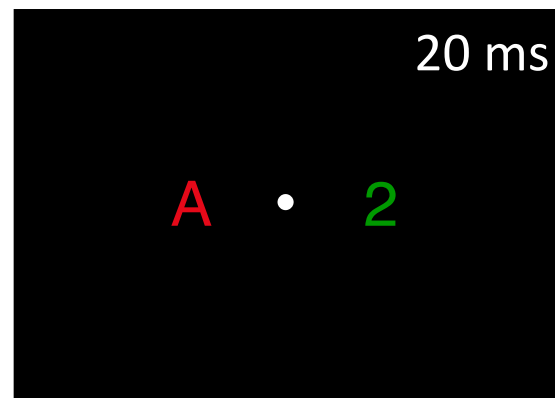
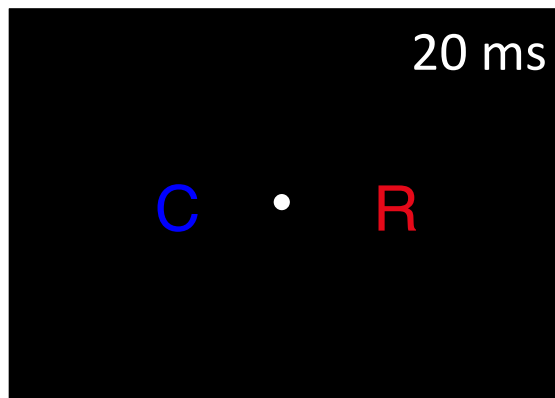
How to investigate parallel selection?
How to determine attention to vertical targets?



Task: identify the **yellow** and **blue** item

MVPA: classify where the target is

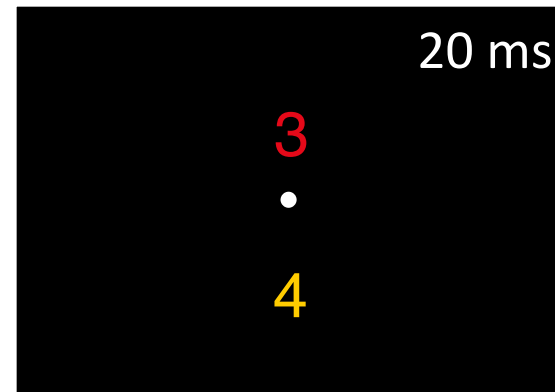
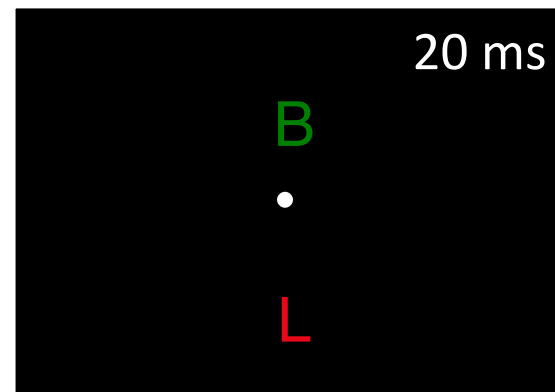
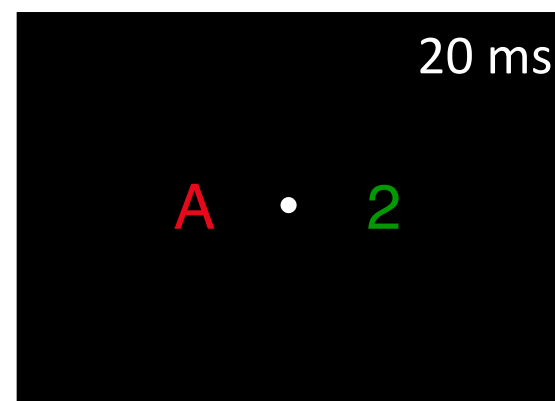
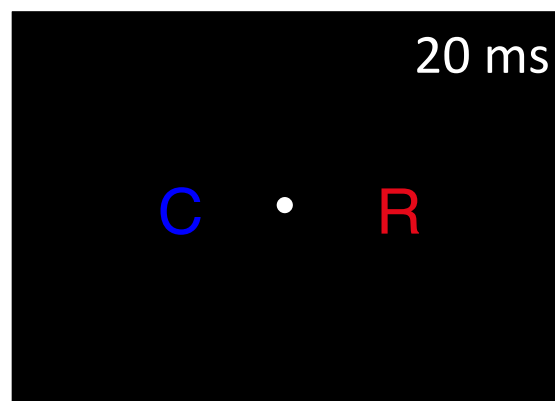
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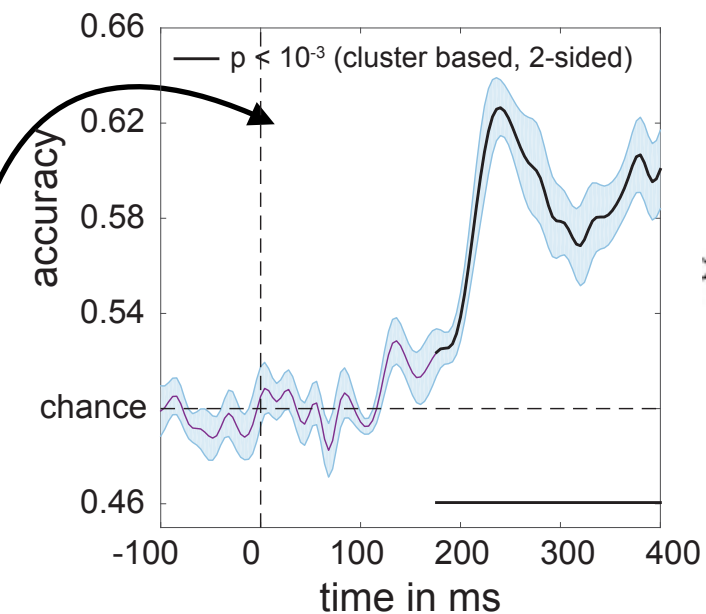
MVPA extracts **any** pattern from the data (does not have to be lateralized)

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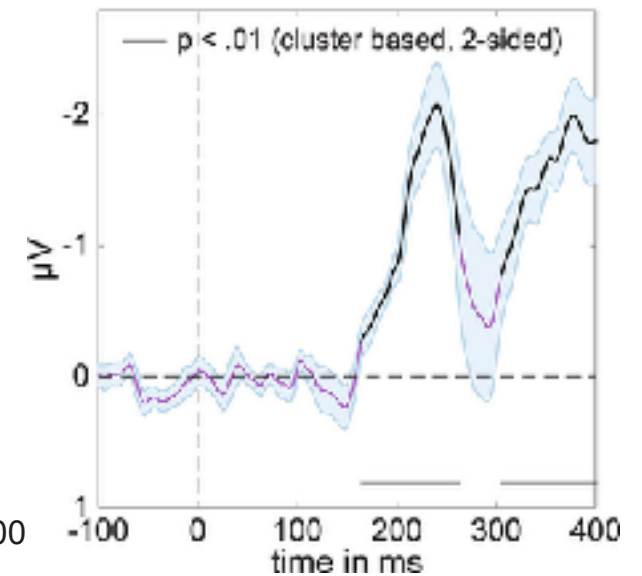
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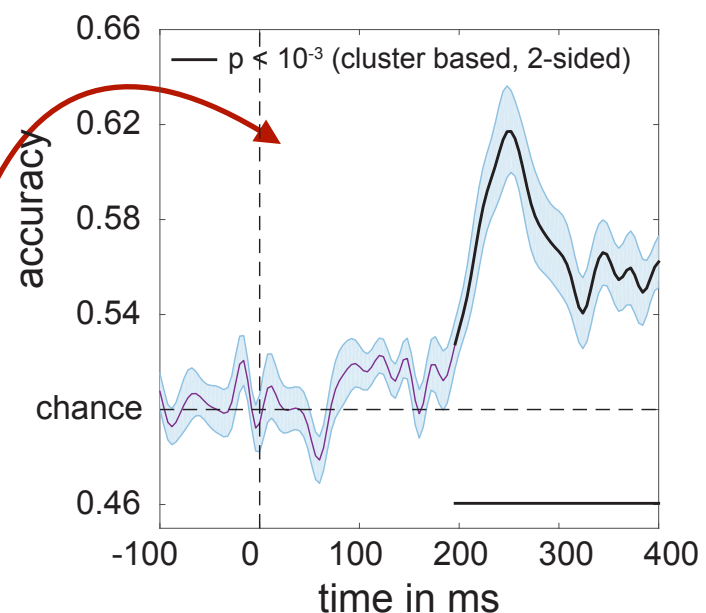
Decoding



N2Pc



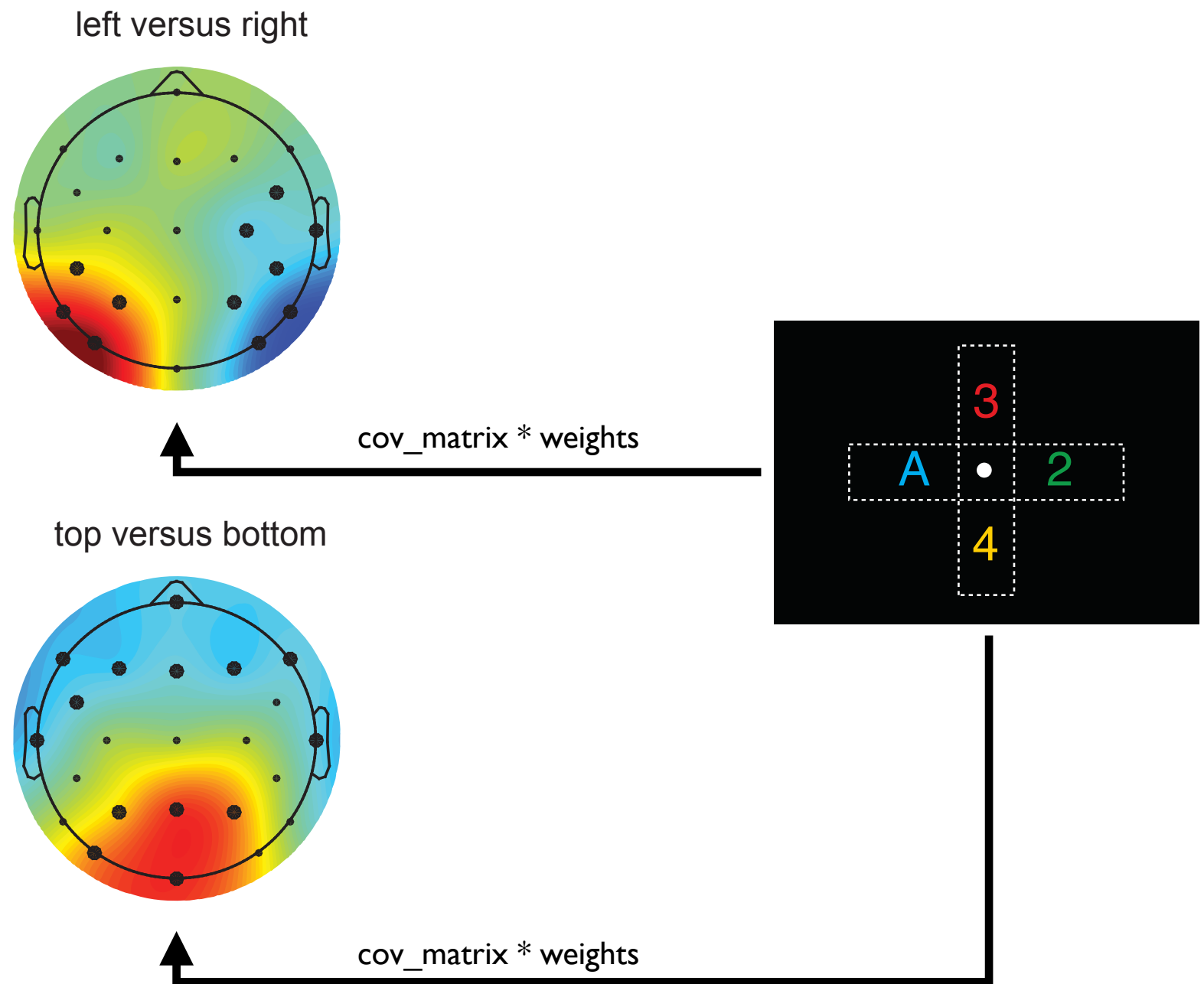
top versus bottom



Also for
top vs bottom!

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Use decoding to identify the ‘vertical’ N2pc

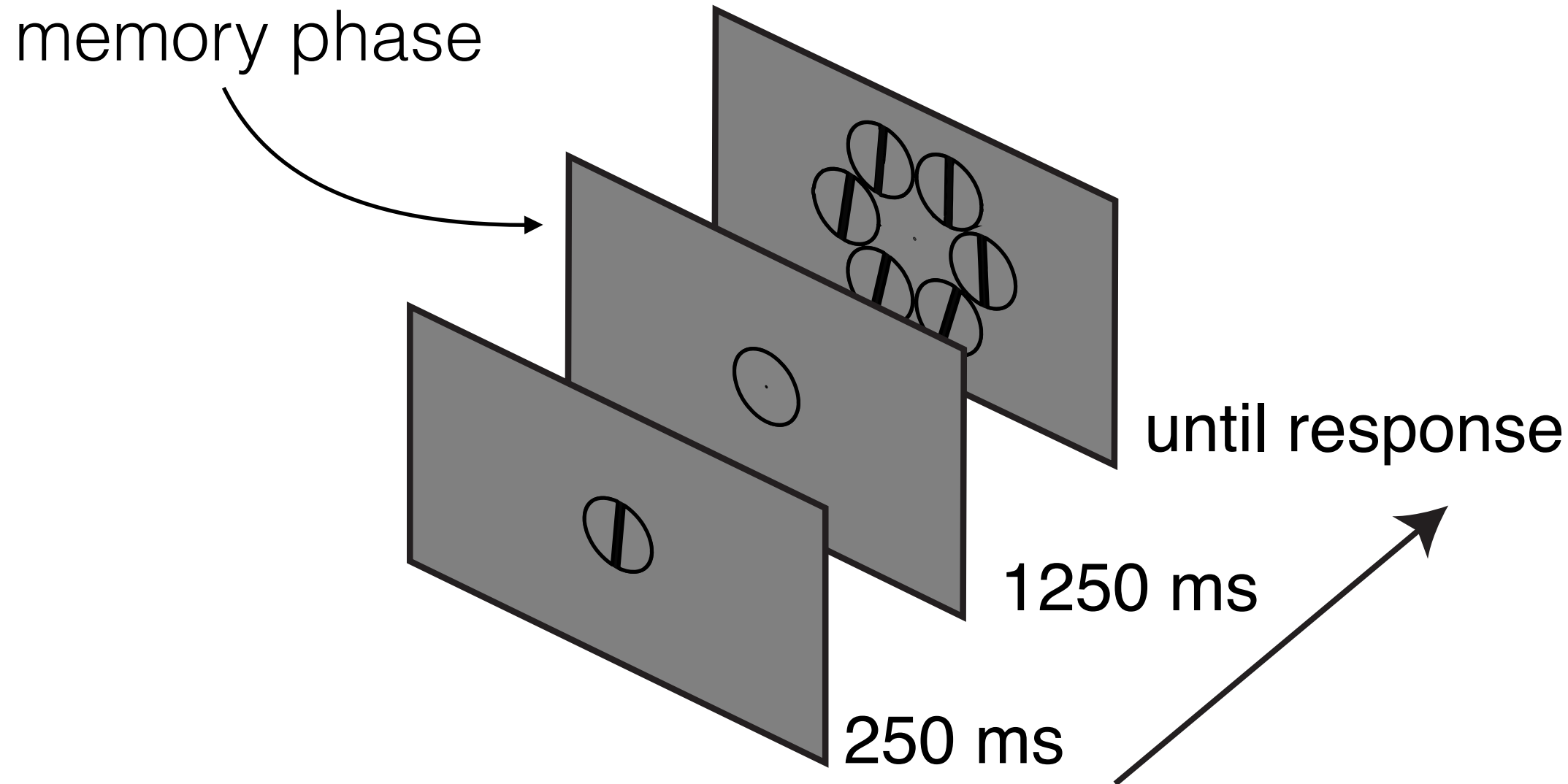


Fahrenfort, J. J., Grubert, A., Olivers, C. N. L., & Eimer, M. (2017). Multivariate EEG analyses support high-resolution tracking of feature-based attentional selection. *Scientific Reports*, 7(1), 1886.

Why else is MVPA useful?

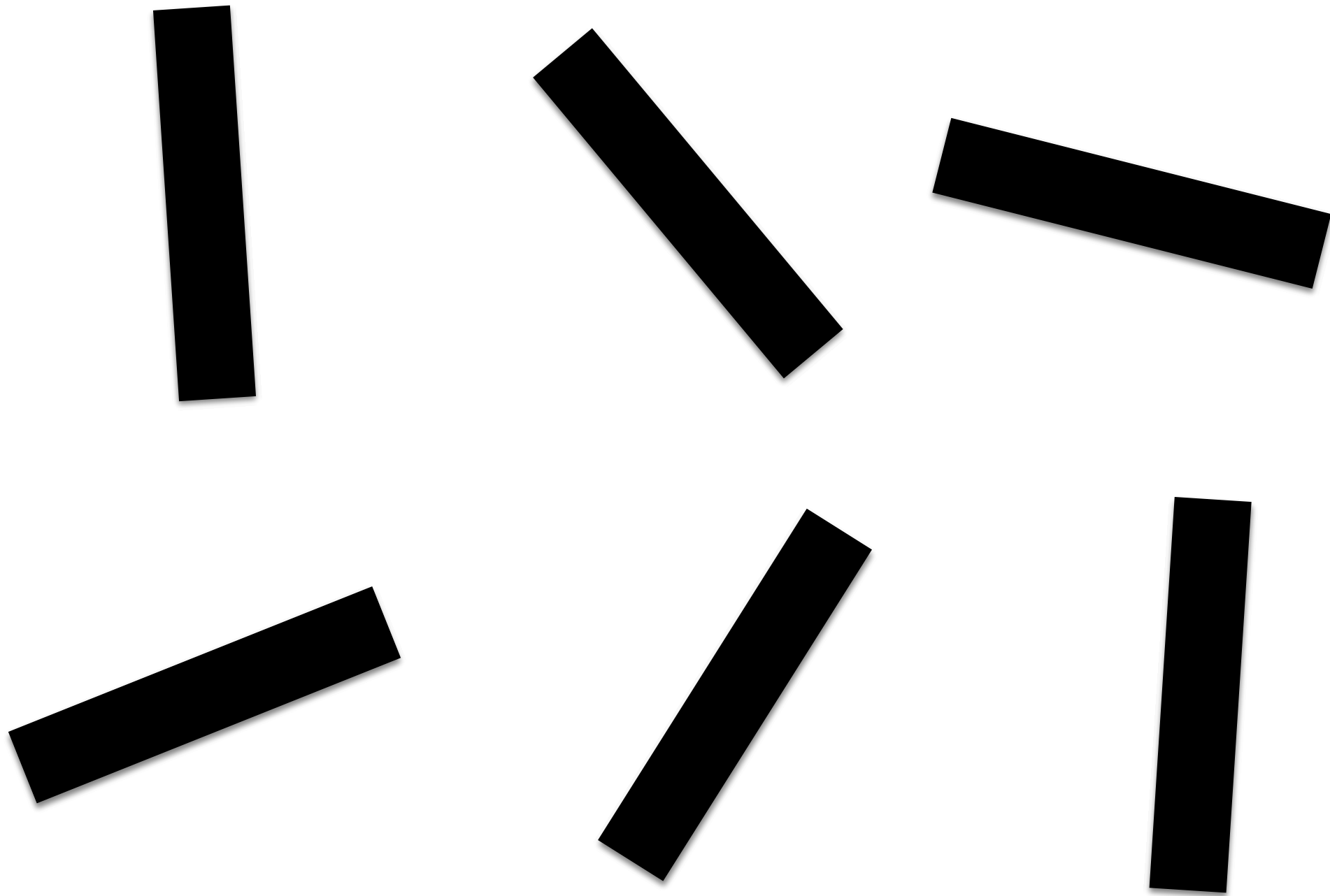
- You do not have to select electrodes
- The nice thing about EEG: it has high temporal resolution
→ look at the **stability** and **dynamics** of neural representations over time
- Train on one time point, and test on all the others to assess stability of the signal!

Example 2: Tracking memory over time



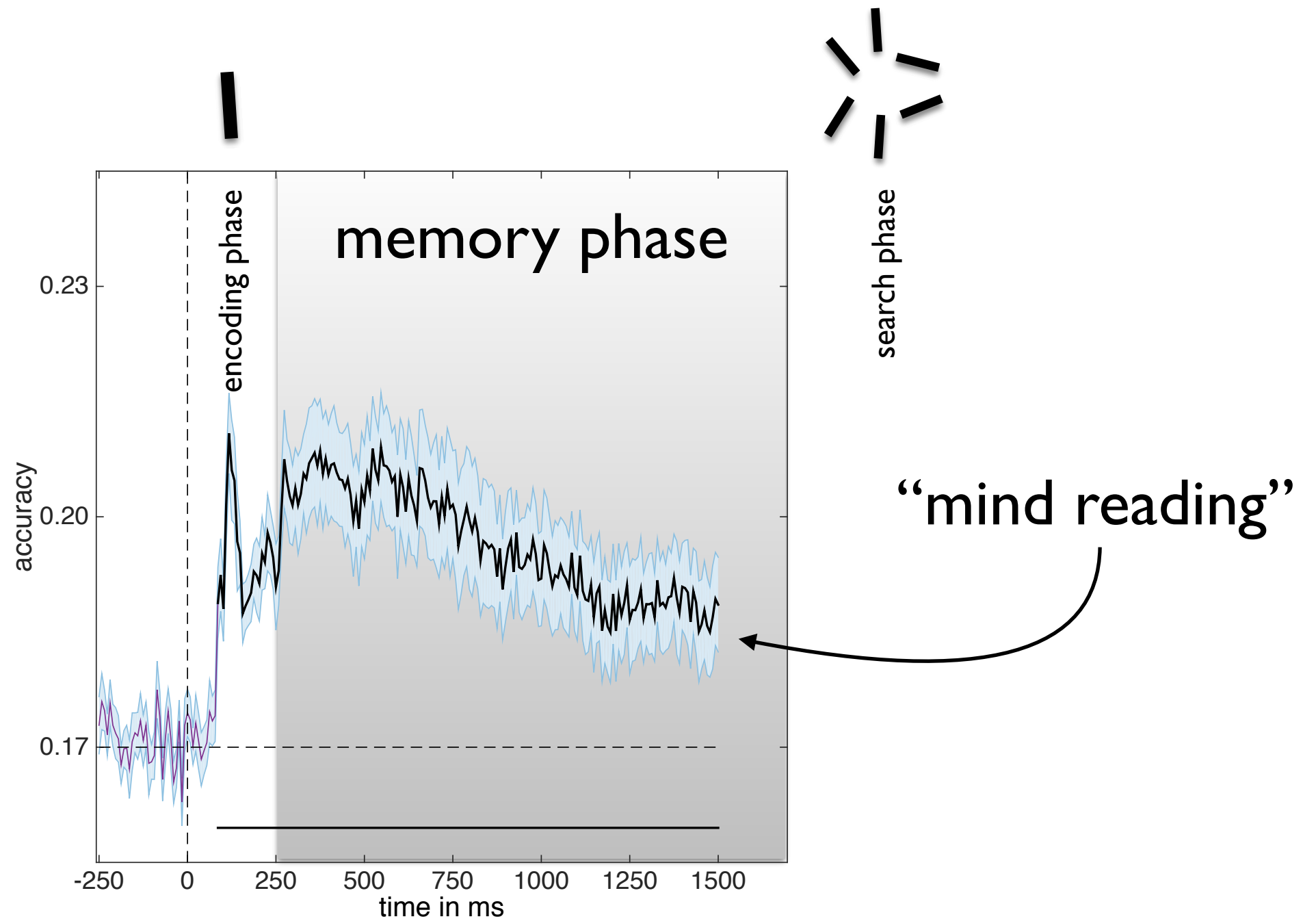
Task: remember orientation and identify by clicking on the correct item

Six potential orientations to remember

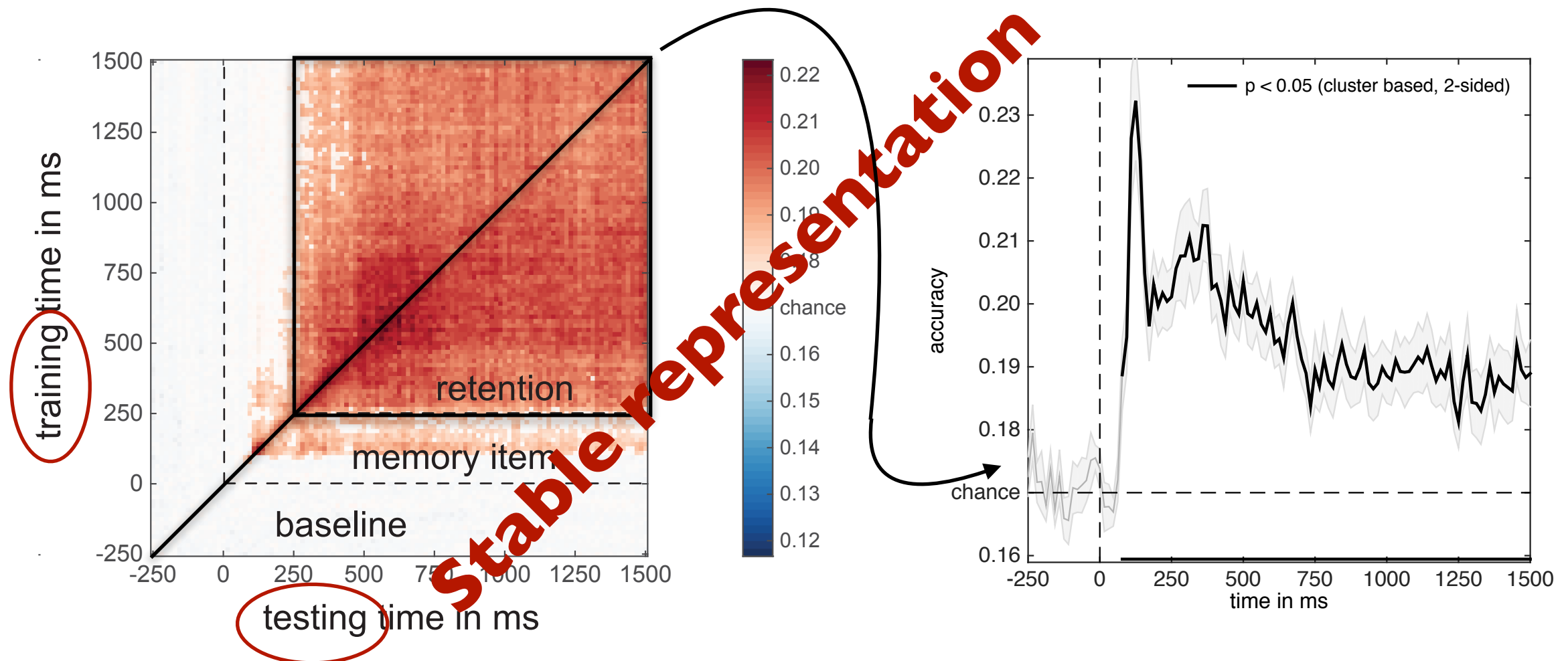


chance performance of classifier: 1/6th

Classification over time

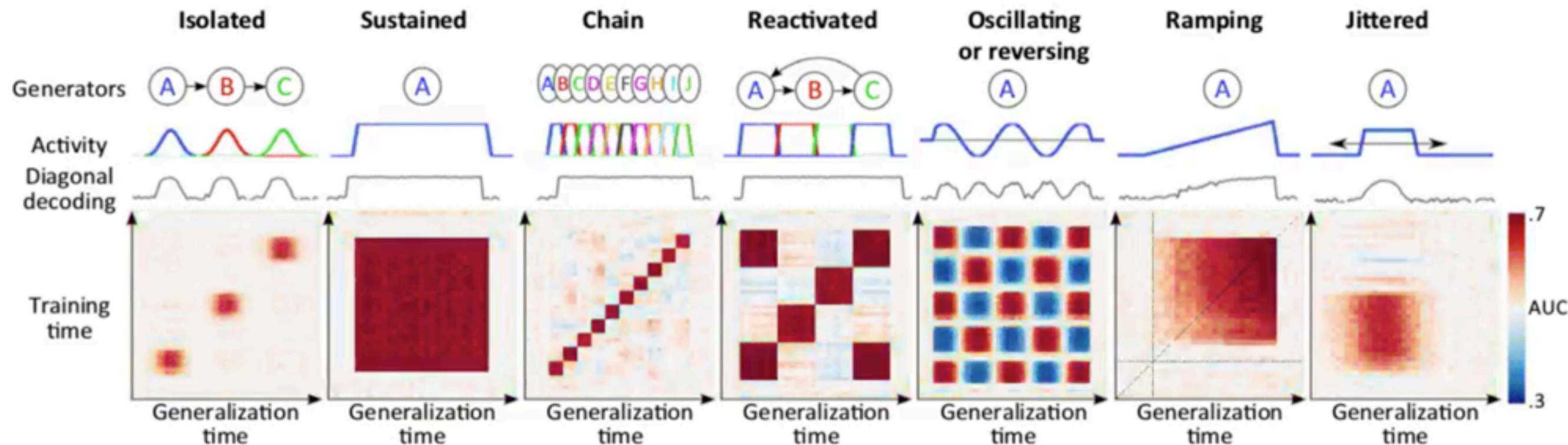


Temporal generalization matrix



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Temporal generalization: stability and dynamics over time

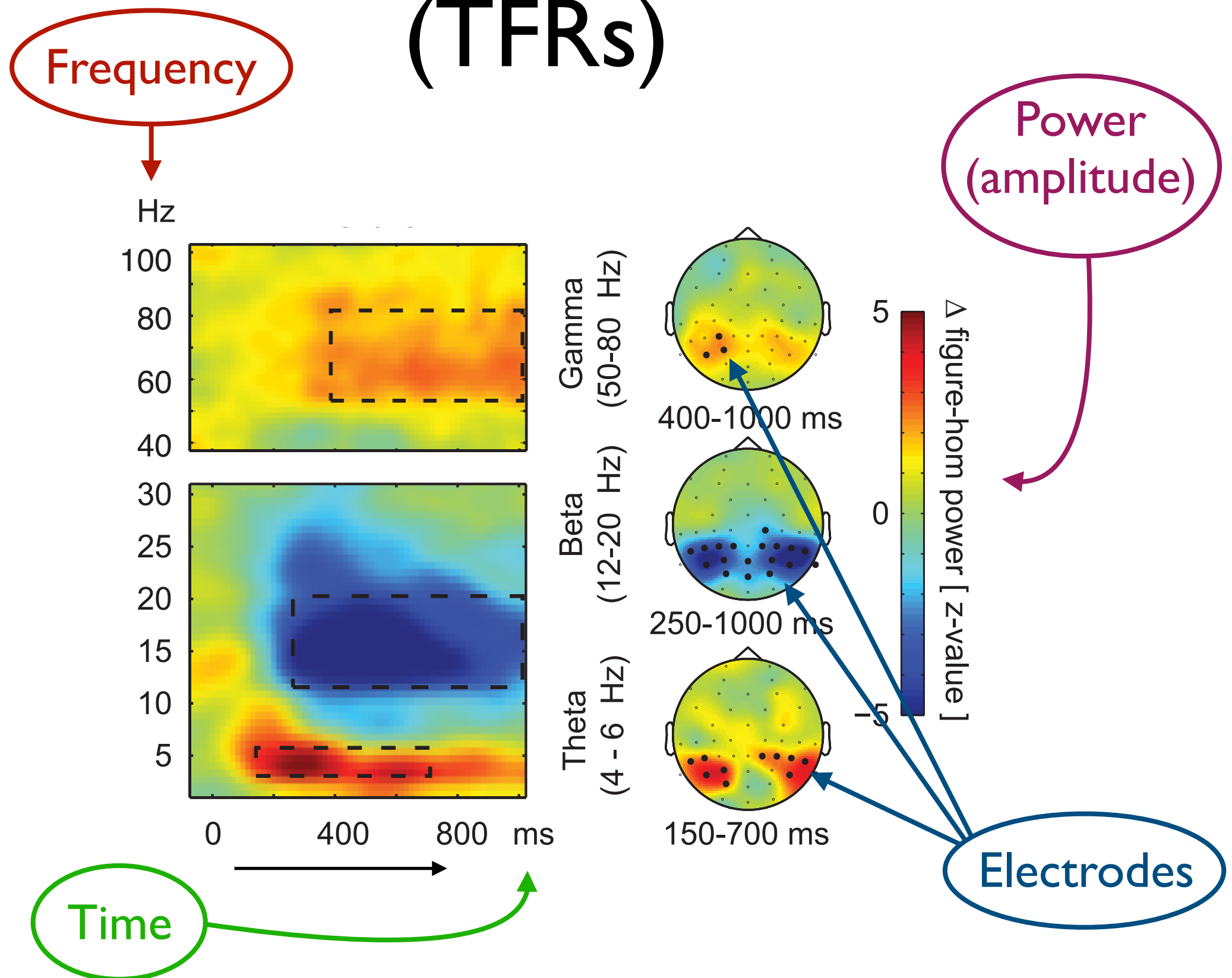


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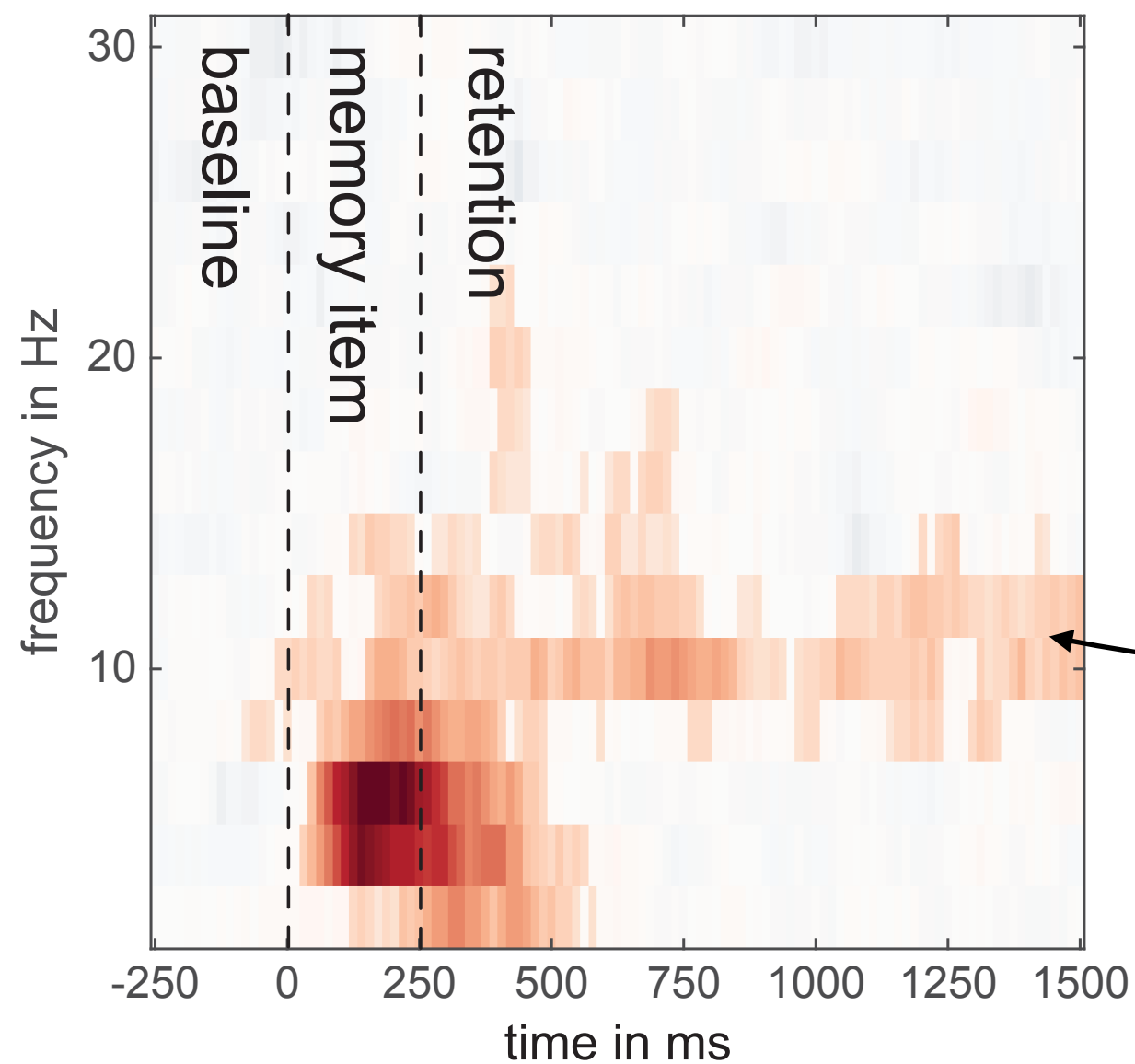
Why else is MVPA useful for MEG/EEG?

- You do not have to select electrodes
- Look at cortical stability and dynamics using temporal generalization
- Time-frequency representations (TFRs):
perform MVPA on time-frequency data

Time-frequency representations (TFRs)



Example of TFR decoding



effect specific for
alpha frequency

The same comic book 4 years later



Conclusions

- MVPA allows you to find effects without selecting electrodes
- MVPA allows you to look at temporal generalization (stability / dynamics over time)
- MVPA also allows you to look at time frequency data, again without selecting electrodes

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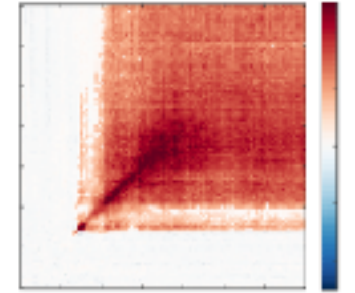
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Lecture 4

ADAM architecture and practical

- Give overview of the ADAM toolbox
- Explain experiment from the practical

the Amsterdam Decoding and Modeling toolbox (ADAM)



1. Pre-processing
(can do this using EEGLAB, do not need ADAM)
2. First level (single subject) analyses are computed and stored
3. Reading single subject results and compute group statistics
4. Visualize group statistics in a plot

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(not part of ADAM)

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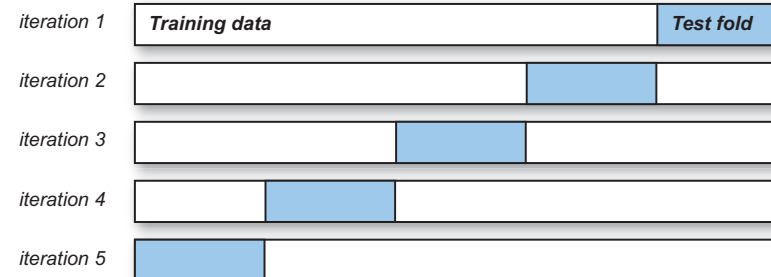
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Use RAW data

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Option 2: Requires separate data sets for training and testing (either using separate files or separate event values for train and test data)

Training data

Testing data

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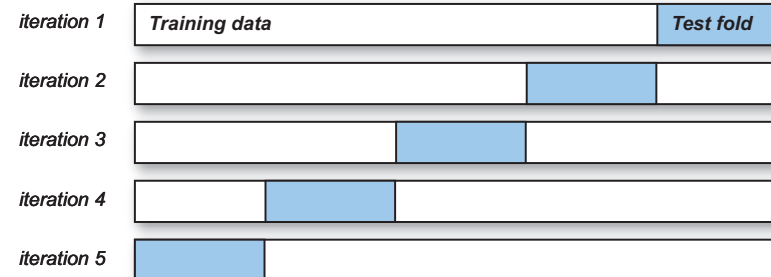
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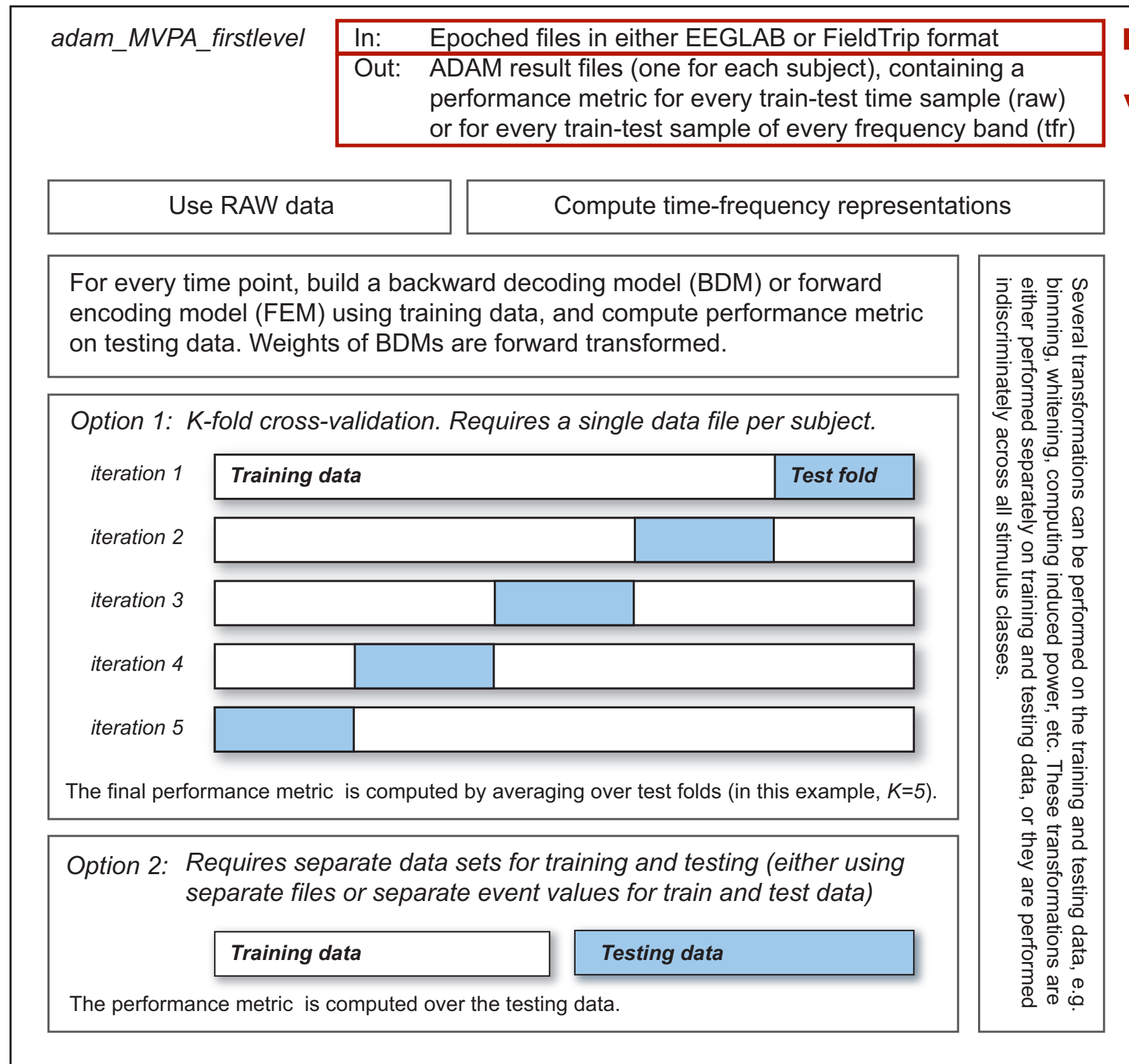
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2. First level (single subject)



read from disk
written to disk

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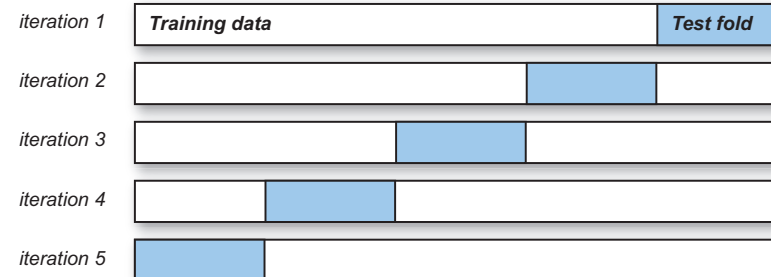
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adam_plot_MVPA
adam_plot_BDM_weights

In: ADAM stats variable(s) containing group statistics
Out: publication-ready graphs of performance metrics and/or topographical maps of forward transformed weights

The experiment

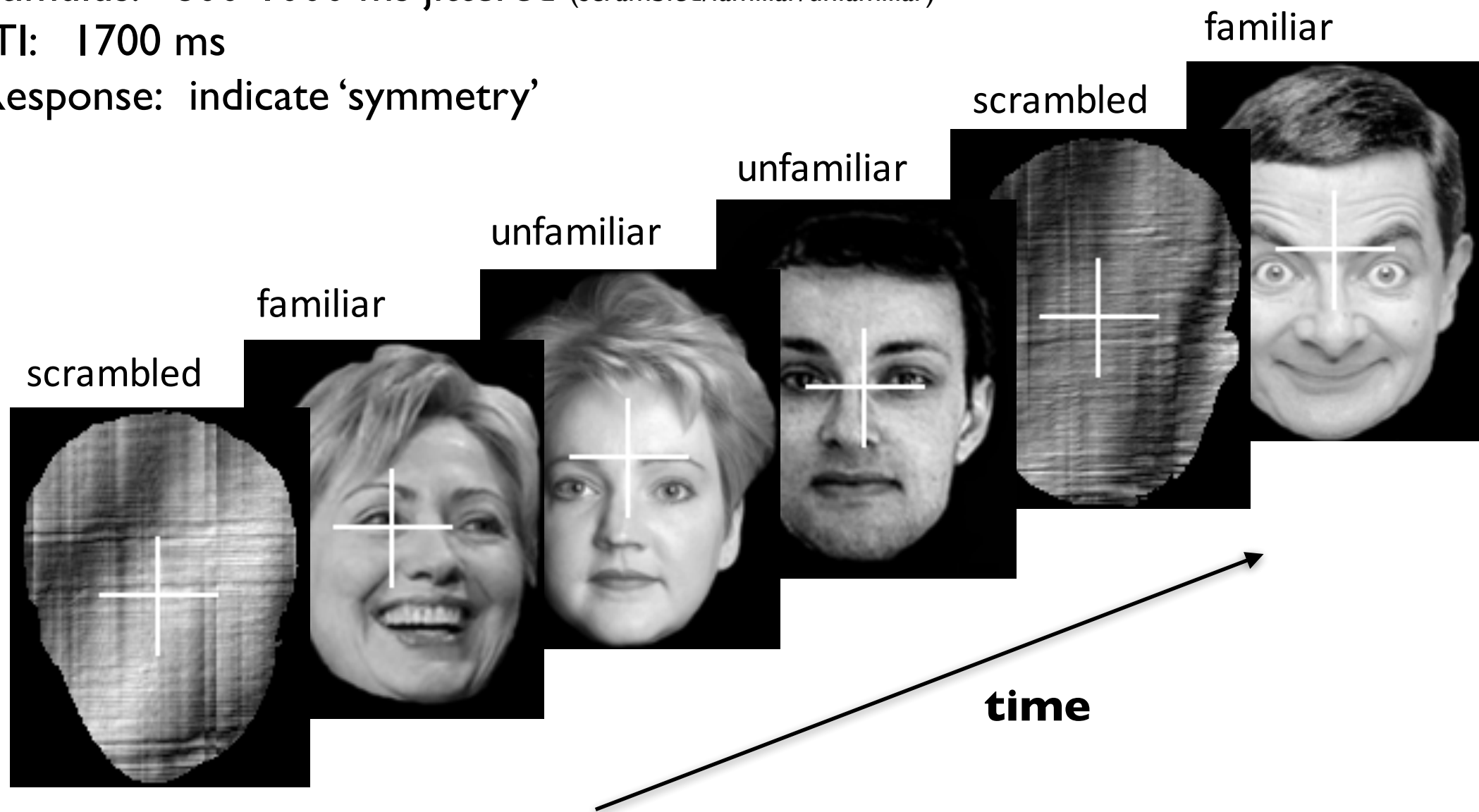
Open dataset, containing simultaneously recorded EEG/MEG

Pre-stimulus: 400-600 ms jittered

Stimulus: 800-1000 ms jittered (scrambled/familiar/unfamiliar)

ITI: 1700 ms

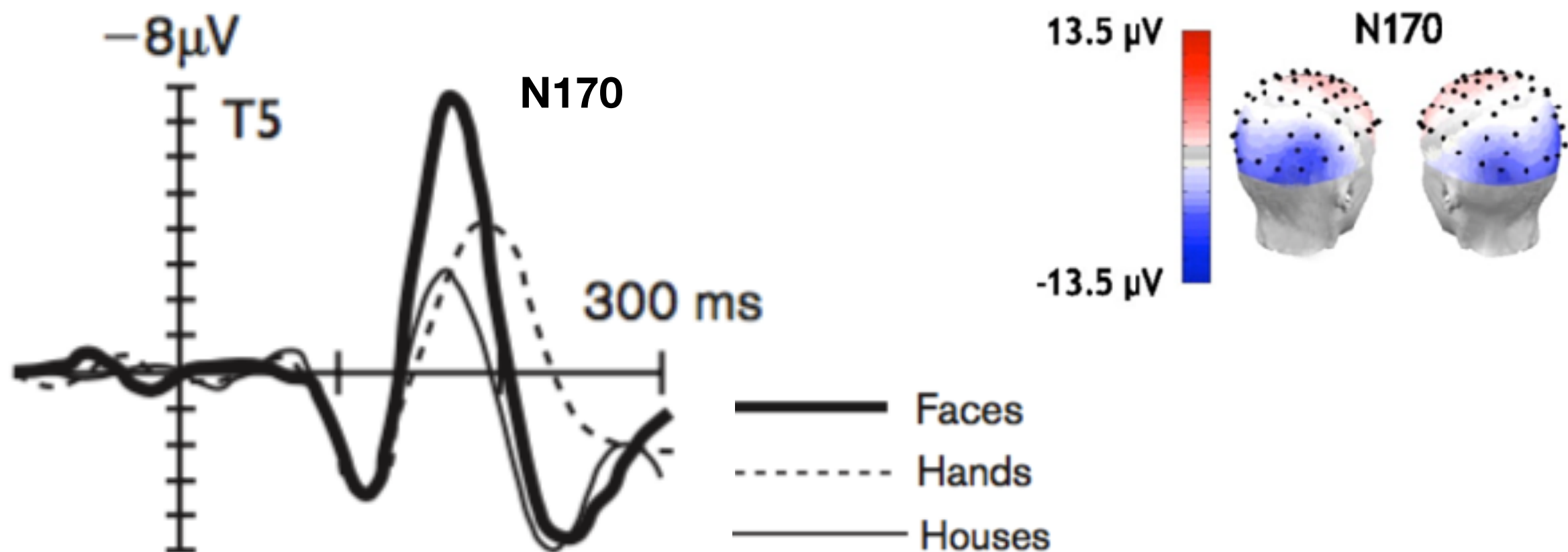
Response: indicate 'symmetry'



Wakeman, D. G., & Henson, R. N. OpenfMRI ds000117 (2014). <https://openfmri.org/dataset/ds000117/>

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Face-selective N170 component in EEG



Eimer, M. (2000). The face-specific N170 component reflects late stages in the structural encoding of faces. *Neuroreport*, 11(10), 2319–2324.

Table of experimental design

Numbers in the table denote event codes

	Famous	Nonfamous	Scrambled
First presentation	5	13	17
Immediate repeat	6	14	18
Delayed repeat	7	15	19

**Factor
'stimulus type'**

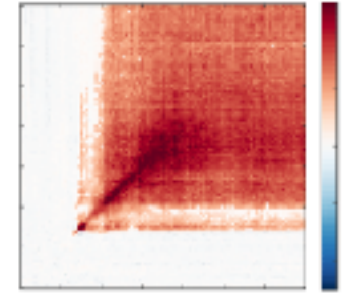


**Factor
'stimulus repetition'**



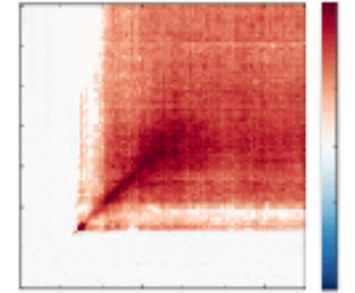
This factor 'stimulus repetition' exists in the experiment, but we do not analyze it, we only look at the first presentations

ADAM analysis pipeline



1. Pre-processing
(can do this using EEGLAB, do not need ADAM)
2. First level (single subject) analyses are computed and stored
3. Compute group statistics after reading in single subject results
4. Visualize group statistics in a plot

Practical, use the ADAM toolbox



- **Part I:** Group analysis of raw EEG/MEG:
 - Comparing ERPs to MVPA
- **Part II:** Group analysis:
 - Temporal generalization time-by-time matrix
- **Part III:** First-level (single subject) analysis of raw data
- **Part IV:** Group analysis
 - Time-frequency (TFR), time-by-frequency / temporal generalization
- **Part V:** First-level (single subject) analysis of TFR data + play around with the scripts/data

unconventional order 😊

Questions?

Course overview

- **Day 1 (introduction)**

- lecture 1: History and electrophysiological basis of EEG
- lecture 2: Backward decoding models in MVPA: concepts and analytical approach
- lecture 3: Advantages of MVPA, the temporal generalization method
- lecture 4: Architecture of the ADAM toolbox and explaining the experiment of the practical
- *Afternoon: practical*

- **Day 2 (advanced)**

- lecture 1: Multiple comparisons, MVPA experimental design, mapping brain to brain/behavior
- lecture 2: Forward encoding models in MVPA: how do they work, concepts and analytical approach
- *Afternoon: practical, analyze your own data and/or a supplied dataset*