

Multivariate strategies for fMRI analysis

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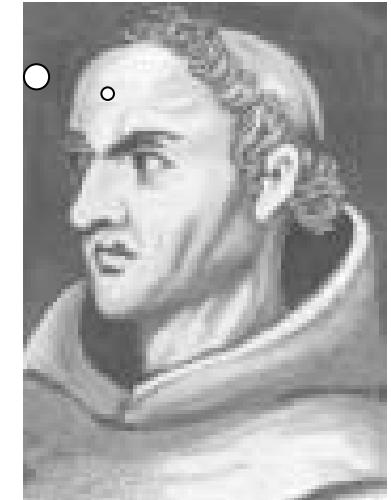
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*Do not multiply
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OUTLINE

- Machine learning –the double agenda
 - Aim I: To abstract generalizable relations from data
 - Aim II: Robust interpretation / visualization
 - The PR-plot for optimization
- Unsupervised (explorative)
 - Factor models - Linear hidden variable representations
 - Generalization in unsupervised models
 - Visualization
 - Non-linear models, KPCA, PR-plots for tuning
- Supervised models (retrieval)
 - Visualization of non-linear kernel machines
 - PR-plotting supervised models



Recent reviews

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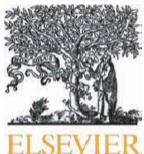
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Review

Encoding and decoding in fMRI

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NEUROIMAGING

Decoding mental states from brain activity in humans

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Abstract | Recent advances in human neuroimaging have shown that it is possible to accurately decode a person's conscious experience based only on non-invasive measurements of their brain activity. Such 'brain reading' has mostly been studied in the domain of visual perception, where it helps reveal the way in which individual experiences are encoded in the human brain. The same approach can also be extended to other types of mental state, such as covert attitudes and lie detection. Such applications raise important ethical issues concerning the privacy of personal thought.



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Decoding fMRI brain states in real

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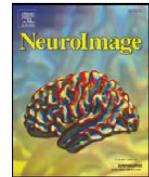
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Machine learning classifiers and fMRI: A tutorial overview

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Ex 1 Tom Mitchell et al.: Predicting Human Brain Activity

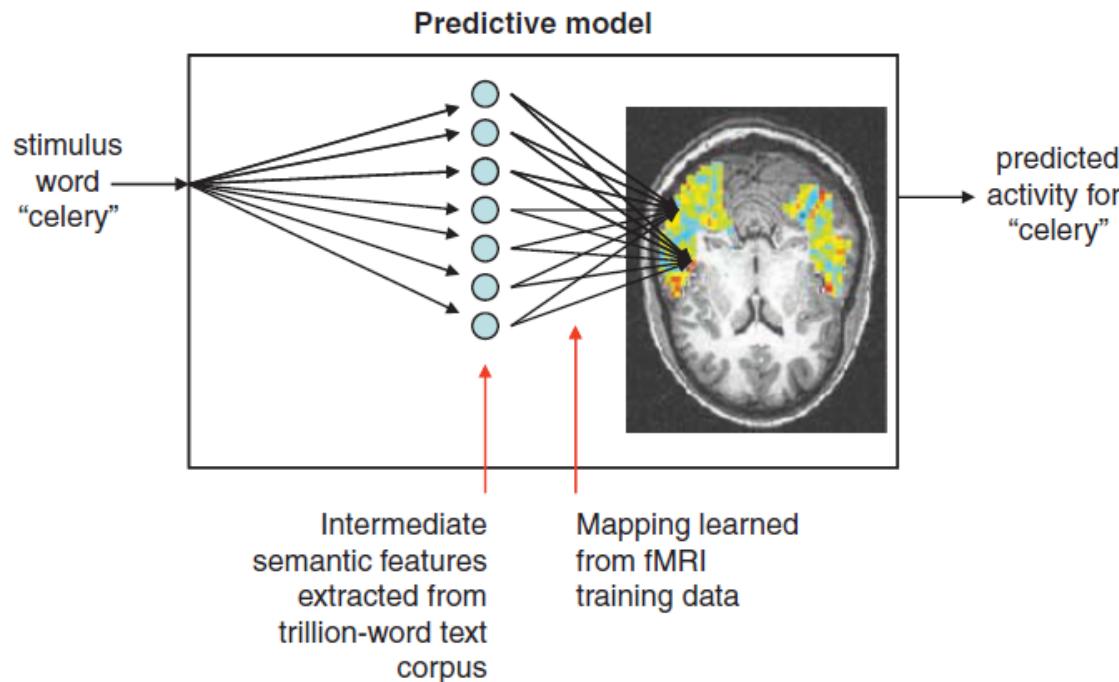


Fig. 1. Form of the model for predicting fMRI activation for arbitrary noun stimuli. fMRI activation is predicted in a two-step process. The first step encodes the meaning of the input stimulus word in terms of intermediate semantic features whose values are extracted from a large corpus of text exhibiting typical word use. The second step predicts the fMRI image as a linear combination of the fMRI signatures associated with each of these intermediate semantic features.

Tom M. Mitchell et al. Predicting Human Brain Activity Associated with the Meanings of Nouns, Science, 320, pp. 1191-1195, May 30, 2008.

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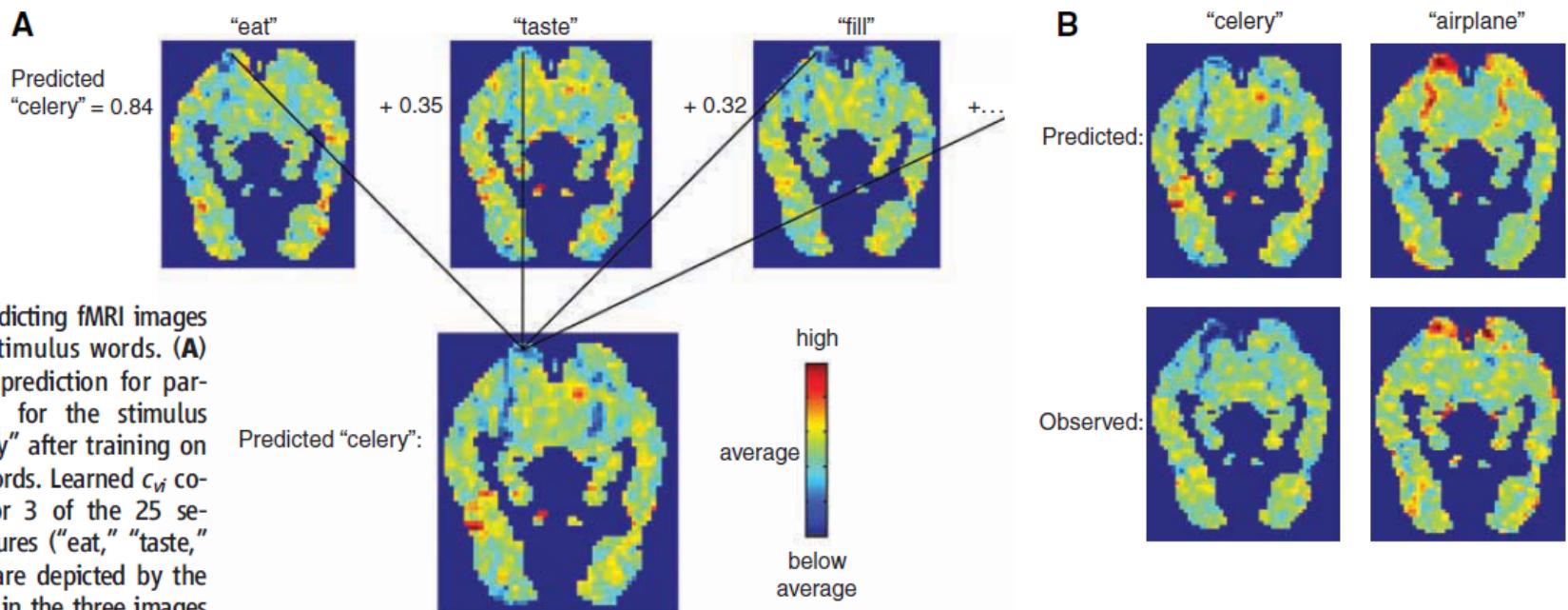


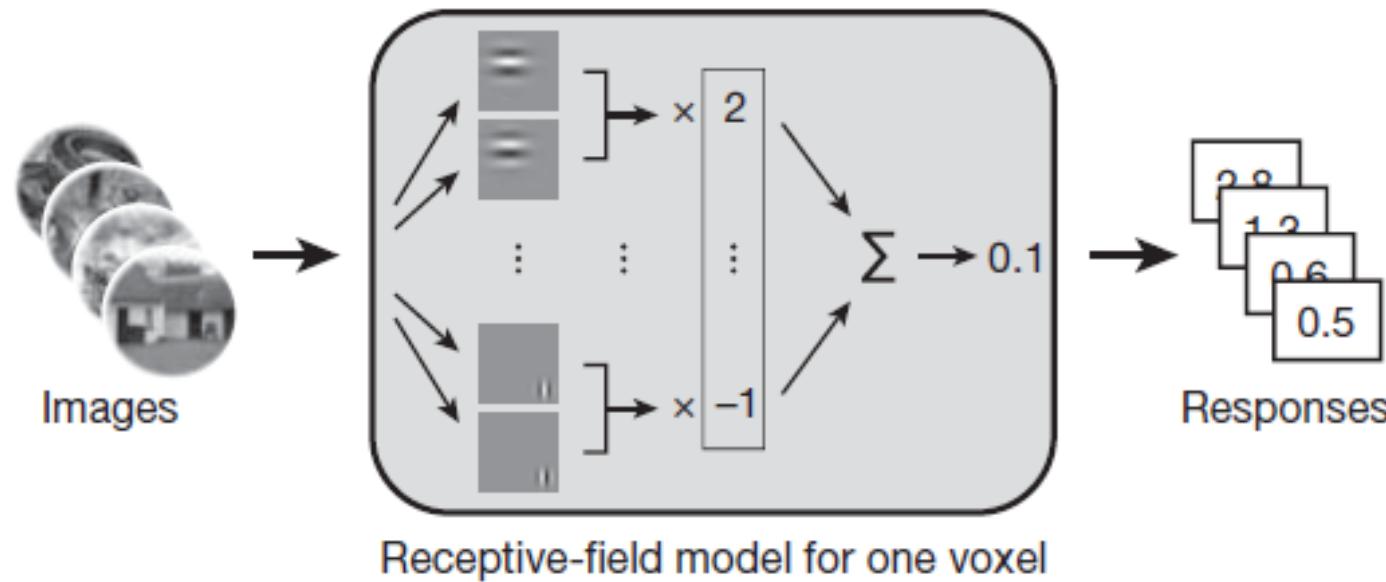
Fig. 2. Predicting fMRI images for given stimulus words. **(A)** Forming a prediction for participant P1 for the stimulus word "celery" after training on 58 other words. Learned c_{vi} coefficients for 3 of the 25 semantic features ("eat," "taste," and "fill") are depicted by the voxel colors in the three images at the top of the panel. The co-occurrence value for each of these features for the stimulus word "celery" is shown to the left of their respective images [e.g., the value for "eat (celery)" is 0.84]. The predicted activation for the stimulus word [shown at the bottom of (A)] is a linear combination of the 25 semantic fMRI signatures, weighted by their co-occurrence values. This figure shows just one horizontal slice [$z =$

-12 mm in Montreal Neurological Institute (MNI) space] of the predicted three-dimensional image. **(B)** Predicted and observed fMRI images for "celery" and "airplane" after training that uses 58 other words. The two long red and blue vertical streaks near the top (posterior region) of the predicted and observed images are the left and right fusiform gyri.

Ex II Gallant et al.: Visualization of networks

Stage 1: model estimation

Estimate a receptive-field model for each voxel

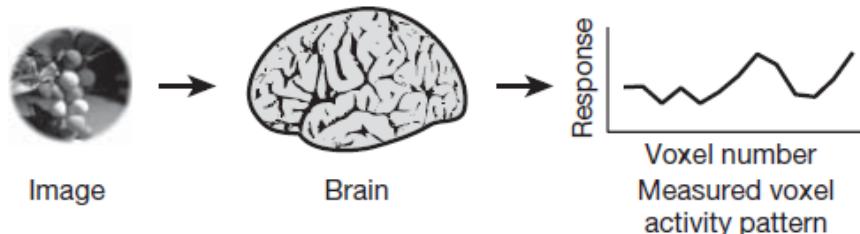


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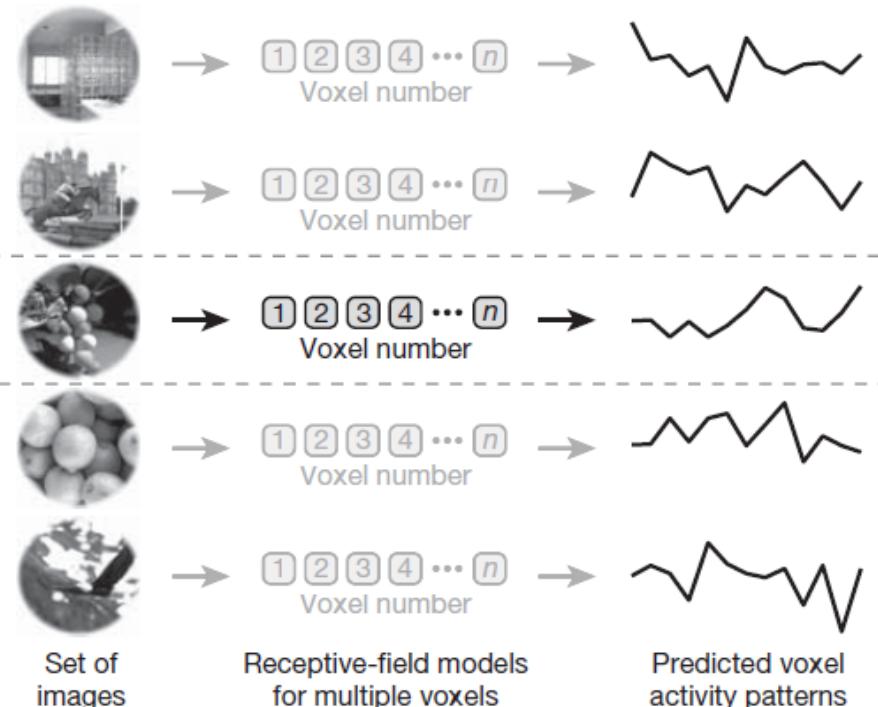
Ex II Gallant et al.: Decoding visual cortex

Stage 2: image identification

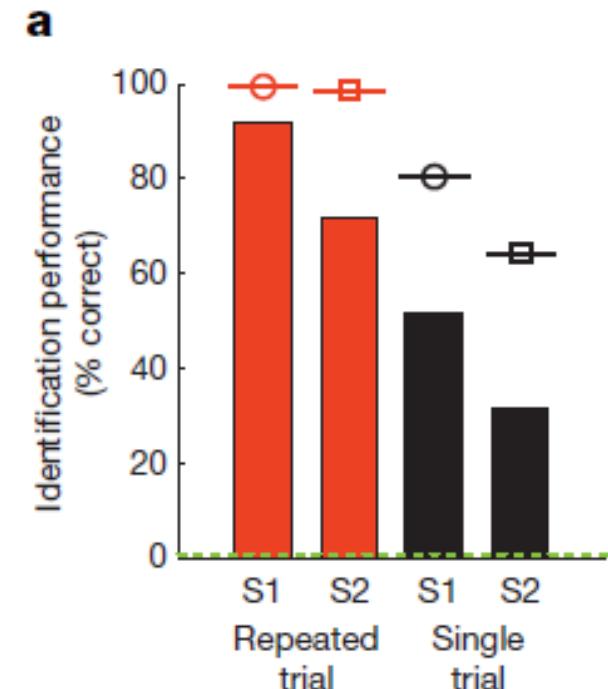
(1) Measure brain activity for an image



(2) Predict brain activity for a set of images using receptive-field models



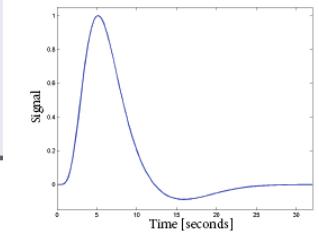
(3) Select the image (★) whose predicted brain activity is most similar to the measured brain activity



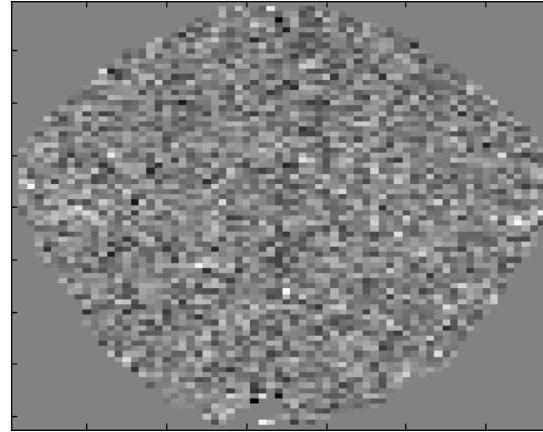
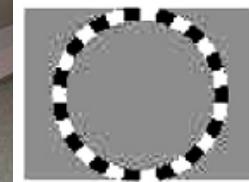
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Functional MRI



- Indirect measure of neural activity - hemodynamics
- A cloudy window to the human brain
- Challenges:
 - Signals are multi-dimensional mixtures
 - No simple relation between measures and brain state - "what is signal and what is noise"?



TR = 333 ms

BOLD fMRI: Is hemodynamic de-convolution feasible?

LETTER

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Bayesian Model Comparison in Nonlinear BOLD fMRI Hemodynamics

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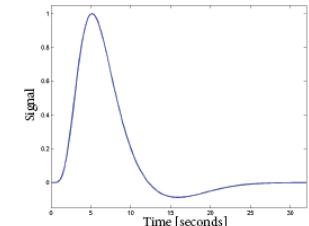
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Bayesian averaging with split-1/2 resampling loop
to establish generalizability and reproducibility

$$R(M) = -\frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \int p(\theta | D_i^1, M) \log \frac{p(\theta | D_i^1, M)}{p(\theta | D_i^2, M)} d\theta,$$



Balloon model: Non-linear relations between stimulus and physiology – described by four non-linear differential eqs.

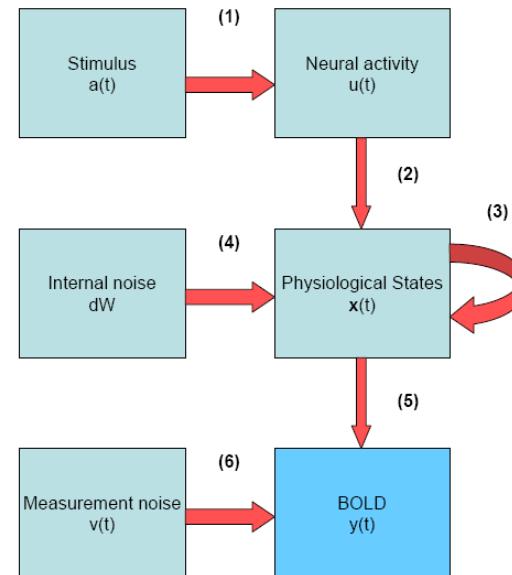


Figure 3.1: Overview diagram of hemodynamic models.

BOLD hemodynamics R-Bayes model selection

Model A: constant input vs Model B: Fading input

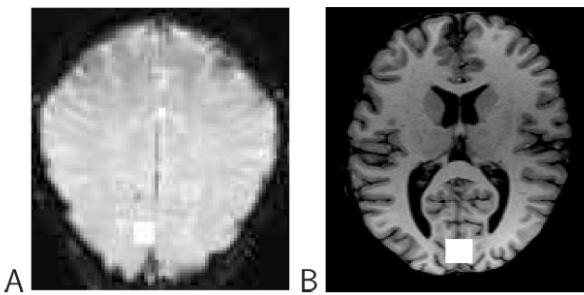


Figure 3: Regions of interest, marked with white squares. (A) Data set 1; T2* weighted image slice parallel to the calcarine sulcus. (B) Data set 2; MPRAGE (magnetization prepared rapid gradient echo) horizontal slice.

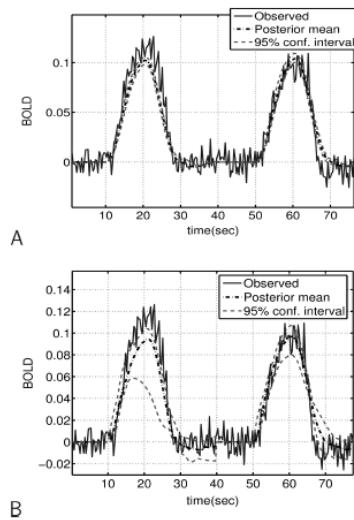


Figure 4: Prediction of data set 1. (A) Model A. (B) Model B. Note that the confidence interval is an empirical confidence interval for the mean prediction, based on the MCMC samples.

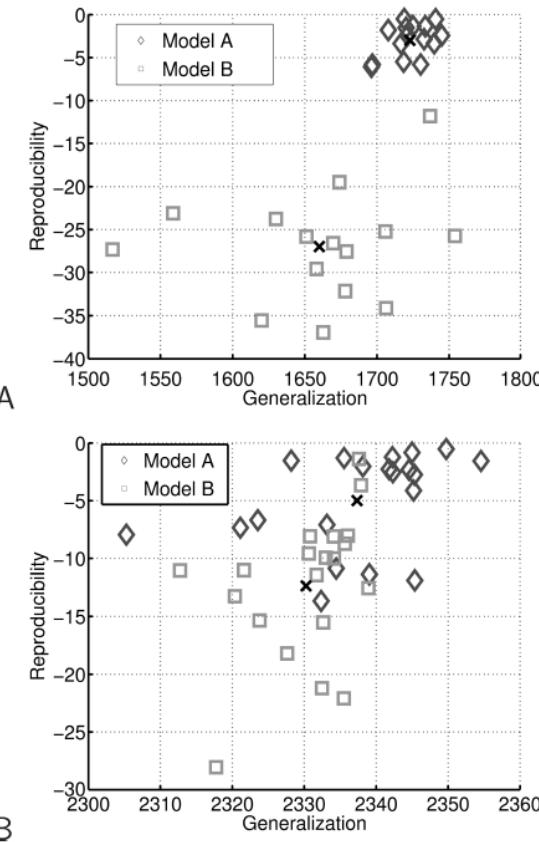


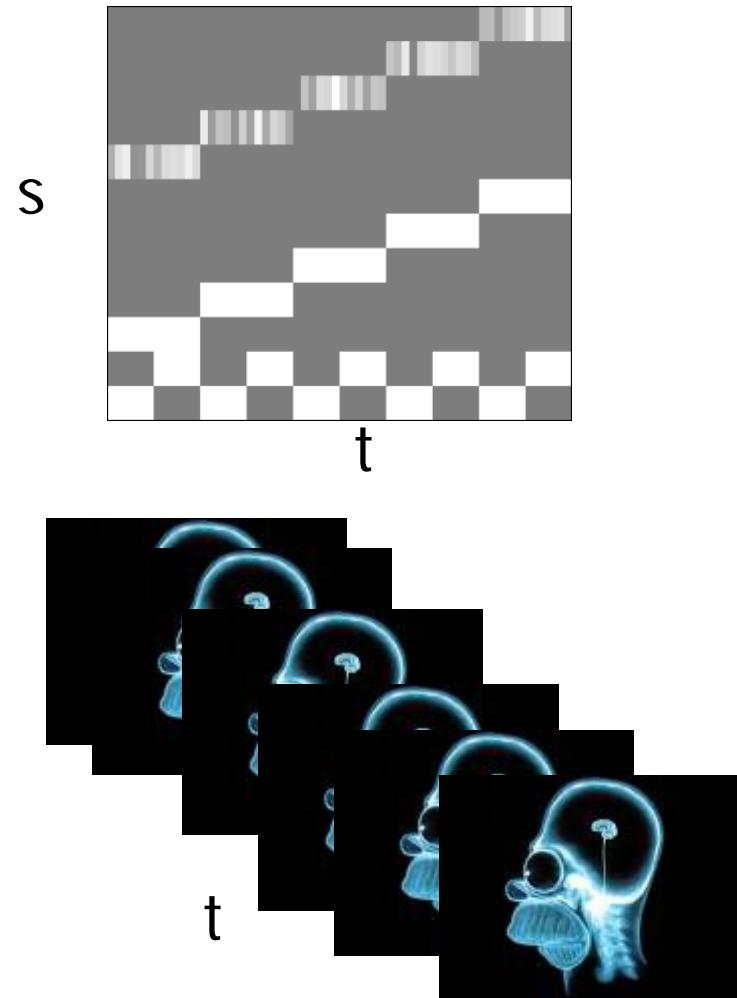
Figure 6: Generalization and reproducibility for real data; crosses mark the mean. (A) Data set 1. (B) Data set 2.

Multivariate neuroimaging models

Neuroimaging aims at extracting the mutual information between stimulus and response.

- Stimulus: Macroscopic variables, "design matrix" ... $s(t)$
- Response: Micro/meso-scopic variables, the neuroimage ... $x(t)$
- Mutual information is stored in the joint distribution ... $p(x,s)$.

Often $s(t)$ is assumed known....unsupervised methods consider $s(t)$ or parts of $s(t)$ "hidden".....



Multivariate neuroimaging models

- Univariate models -SPM, fMRI time series models etc.

$$p(x, s) = p(x | s)p(s) = \prod_j p(x_j | s) \cdot p(s)$$



- Multivariate models -PCA, ICA, SVM, ANN (Lautrup et al., 1994, Mørch et al. 1997)

$$p(x, s) = p(s | x)p(x)$$

- Modeling from data with parameterized function families – rather than testing (silly) null hypotheses

AIM I: Generalizability

Do not multiply causes!

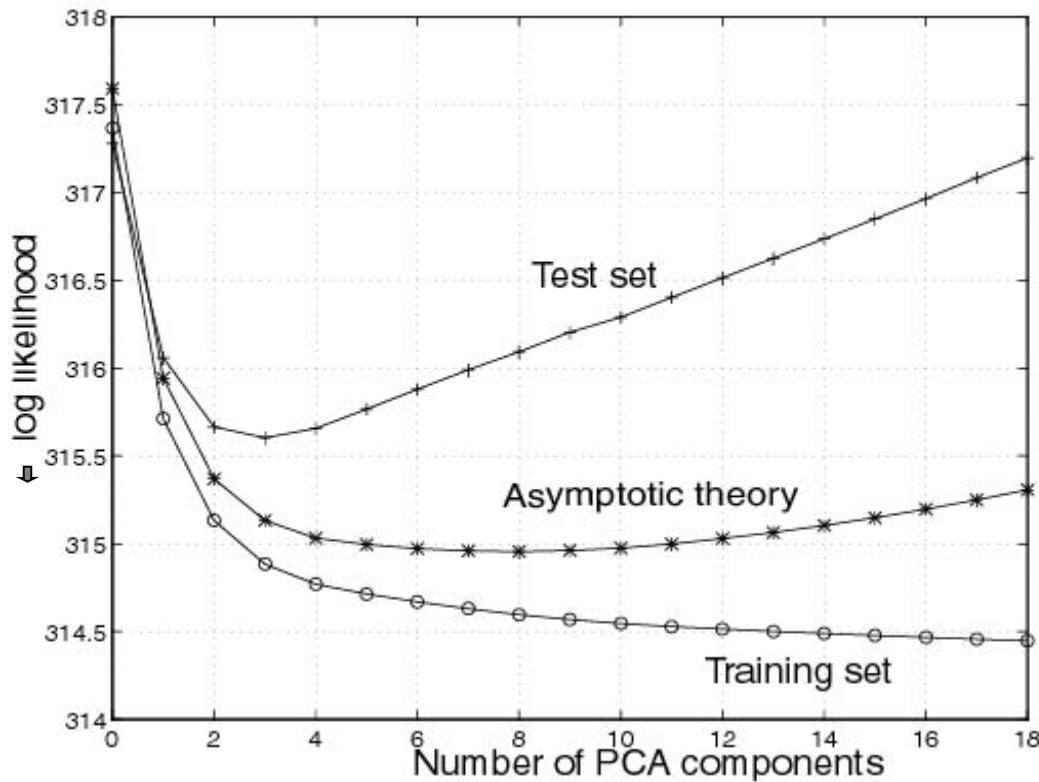


- Generalizability is defined as *the expected performance on a random new sample*
 - A models mean performance on a "fresh" data set is an unbiased estimate of generalization
- Typical loss functions:

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle -\log p(\mathbf{s} | \mathbf{x}, D) \rangle, & \langle -\log p(\mathbf{x} | D) \rangle, \\ & \langle (\mathbf{s} - \hat{\mathbf{s}}(D))^2 \rangle, & \left\langle \log \frac{p(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{x} | D)}{p(\mathbf{s} | D)p(\mathbf{x} | D)} \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

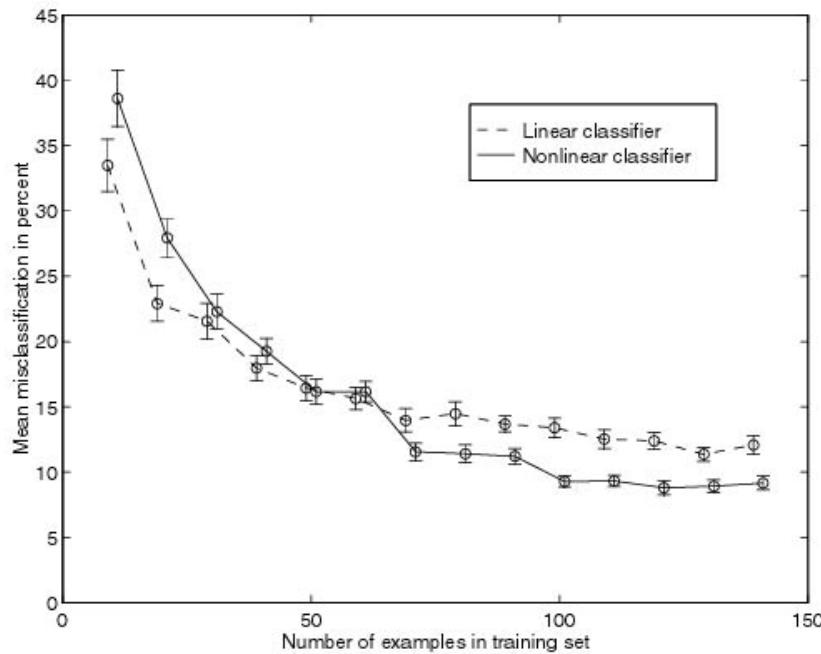
- Note: No problem to estimate generalization in hidden variable models!
- Results can be presented as "bias-variance trade-off curves" or "learning curves"

Bias-variance trade-off as function of PCA dimension



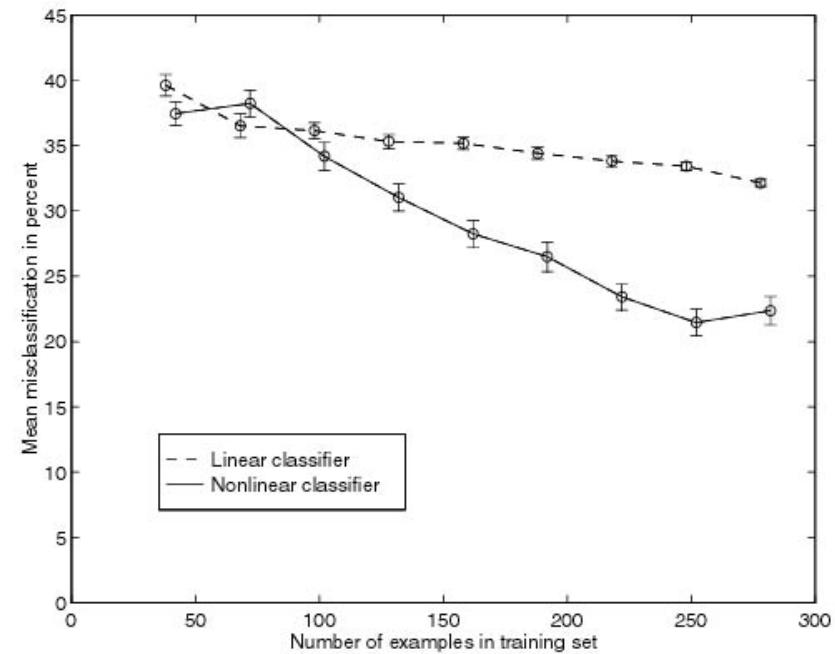
Hansen et al. *NeuroImage* (1999)

Learning curves for multivariate brain state decoding



PET

Finger tapping, analysed by PCA dimensional reduction and Fisher LD / ML Perceptron. Mørch et al. *IPMI* (1997)...“first brain state decoding in fMRI”



fMRI

AIM II Interpretation: Visualization of networks

- A brain map is a visualization of the information captured by the model:
 - The map should take on a high value in voxels/regions involved in the response and a low value in other regions...
- Statistical Parametric Maps
- Weight maps in linear models
- The saliency map
- The sensitivity map
- Consensus maps

...hints from asymptotic theory

Linear unlearning for cross-validation

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- Asymptotic theory investigates the sampling fluctuations in the limit $N \rightarrow \infty$
- Cross-validation good news: The ensemble average predictor is equivalent to training on all data (Hansen & Larsen, 1996)
- Simple asymptotics for parametric and semi-parametric models
- Some results for non-parametric e.g. kernel machines
- In general: Asymptotic predictive performance has bias and variance components, there is proportionality between parameter fluctuation and the variance component...

The sensitivity map & the PR plot

NeuroImage 15, 772–786 (2002)
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The Quantitative Evaluation of Functional Neuroimaging Experiments: Mutual Information Learning Curves

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$$m_j = \left\langle \left(\frac{\partial \log p(s|x)}{\partial x_j} \right)^2 \right\rangle$$

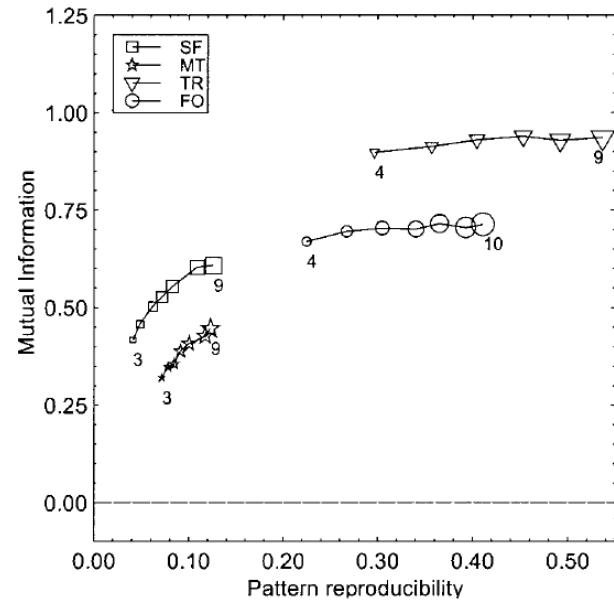
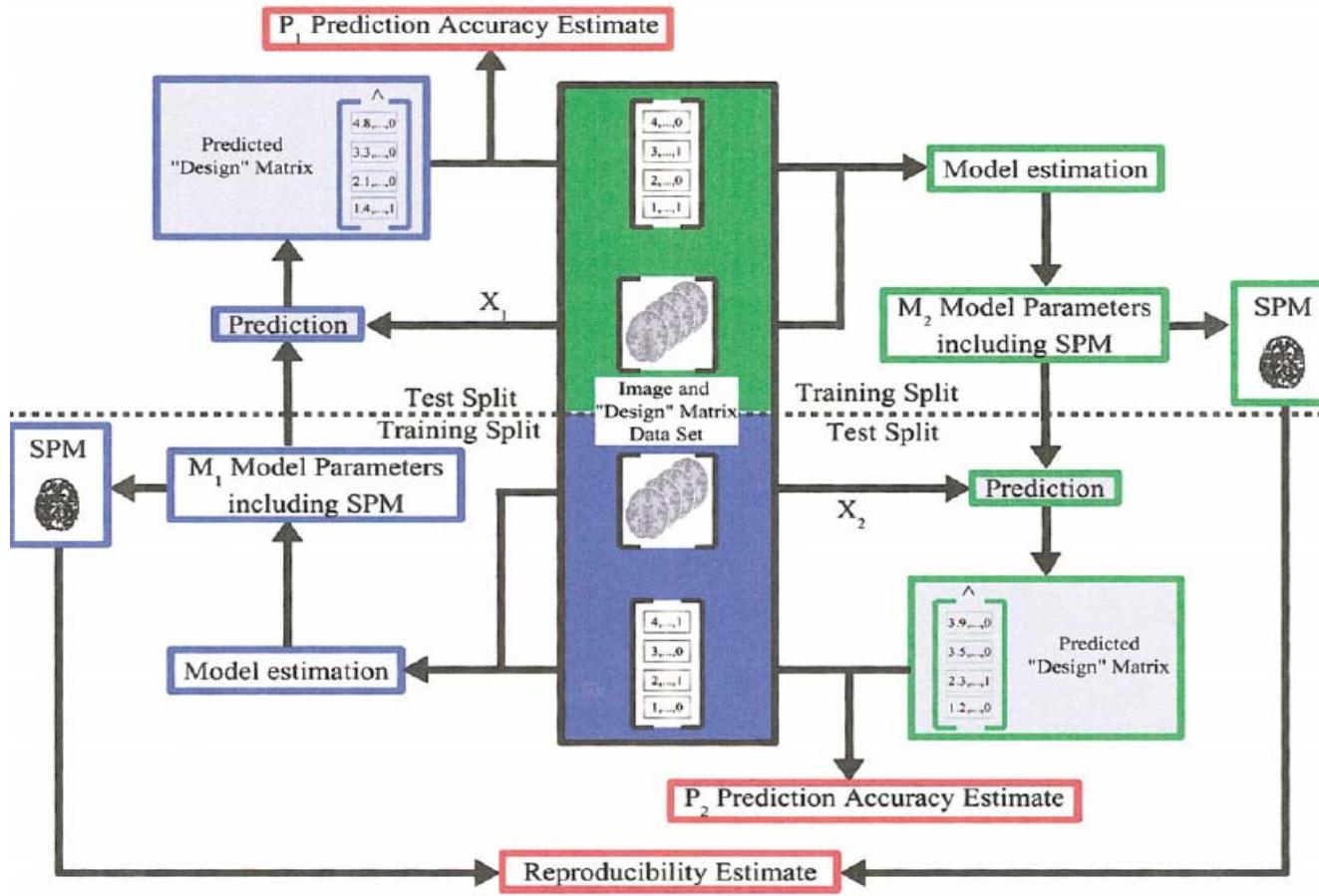


FIG. 3. Plot of scan/label mutual information versus reproducibility signal/noise for the four data sets, for varying numbers of subjects in the training set. There were 2 labels/4 scans per subject (balanced data set; Setup 1, Table 1) corresponding to the dashed solid line in Fig. 4. We see that both measures indicate improved performance of the model as the number of subjects increases.

- The sensitivity map measures the impact of a specific feature/location on the predictive distribution

NPAIRS: Reproducibility of parameters



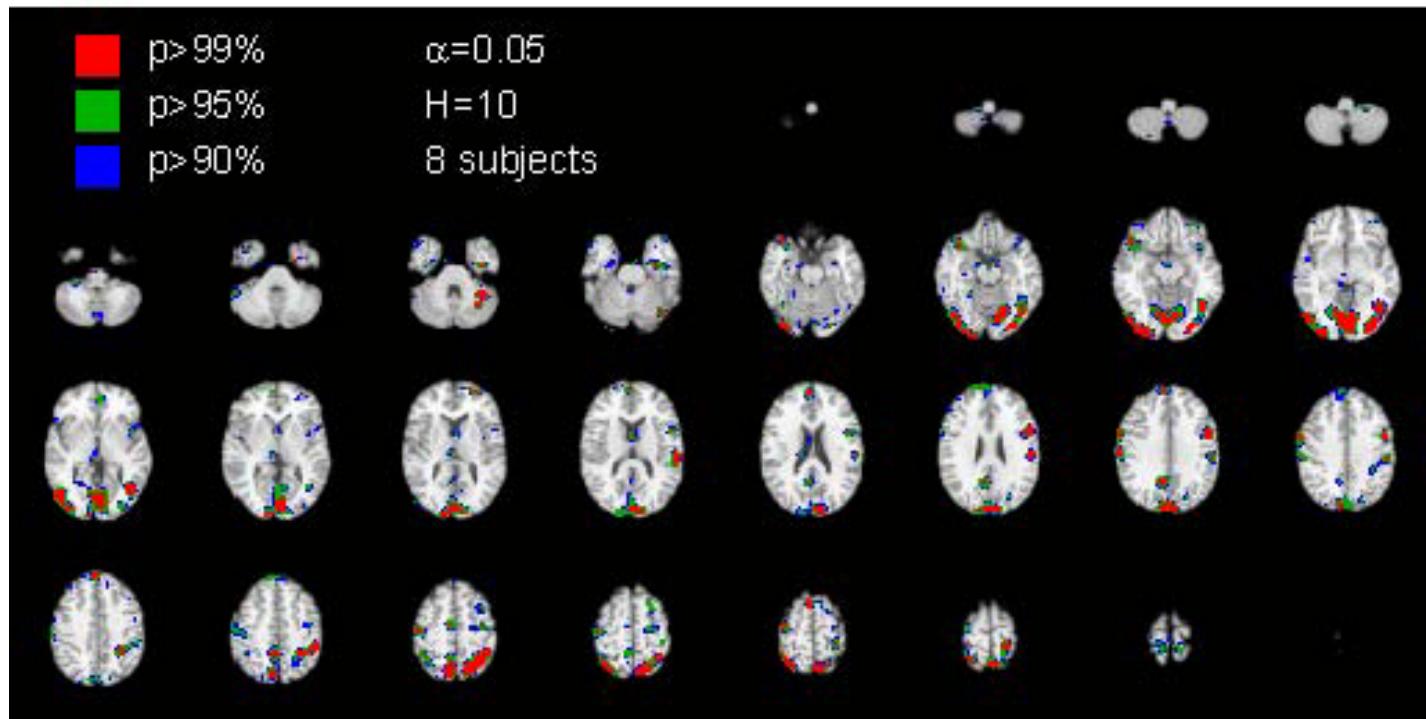
NeuroImage: Hansen et al (1999), Lange et al. (1999)

Hansen et al (2000), [Strother et al \(2002\)](#), [Kjems et al. \(2002\)](#), LaConte et al (2003), Strother et al (2004), Mondrup et al (2011)

Brain and Language: Hansen (2007)

Reproducibility of internal representations

Predicting applied static force
with visual feed-back



Split-half resampling provides unbiased
estimate of reproducibility of SPMs

NeuroImage: Hansen et al (1999), Hansen et al (2000), Strother et al (2002),
Kjems et al. (2002), LaConte et al (2003), Strother et al (2004),

Unsupervised learning

Explorative modeling

Learning stable structures in data $p(x,s)$



Unsupervised learning: Factor analysis generative model

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{As} + \mathbf{\epsilon}, \mathbf{\epsilon} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma)$$

$$p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{s}, \Sigma) = \int p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{s}, \Sigma) p(\mathbf{s} | \mathbf{\theta}) d\mathbf{s}$$

$$p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{s}, \Sigma) = (2\pi\Sigma)^{-1/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{As})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{As})}$$

S known: GLM

(\mathbf{A}^{-1}) sparse: SEM

\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{A} positive: NMF

Source distribution:

PCA: ... normal

ICA: ... other

IFA: ... Gauss. Mixt.

kMeans: .. binary

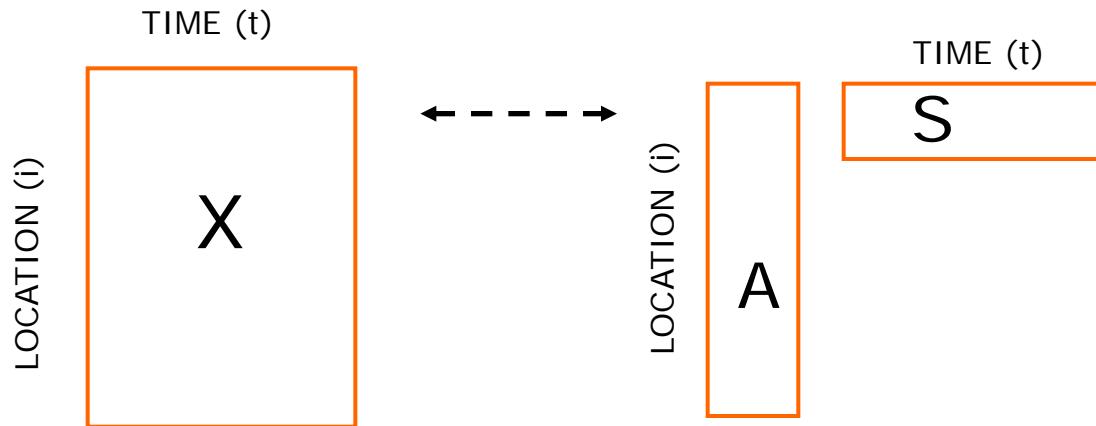
PCA: $\Sigma = \sigma^2 \cdot \mathbf{I}$,

FA: $\Sigma = \mathbf{D}$

Højen-Sørensen, Winther, Hansen,
Neural Computation (2002), Neurocomputing (2002)

Factor models

- Represent a datamatrix by a low-dimensional approximation
- Identify spatio-temporal networks of activation



$$X(i, t) \approx \sum_{k=1}^K A(i, k)S(k, t)$$

Matrix factorization: SVD/PCA, NMF, Clustering

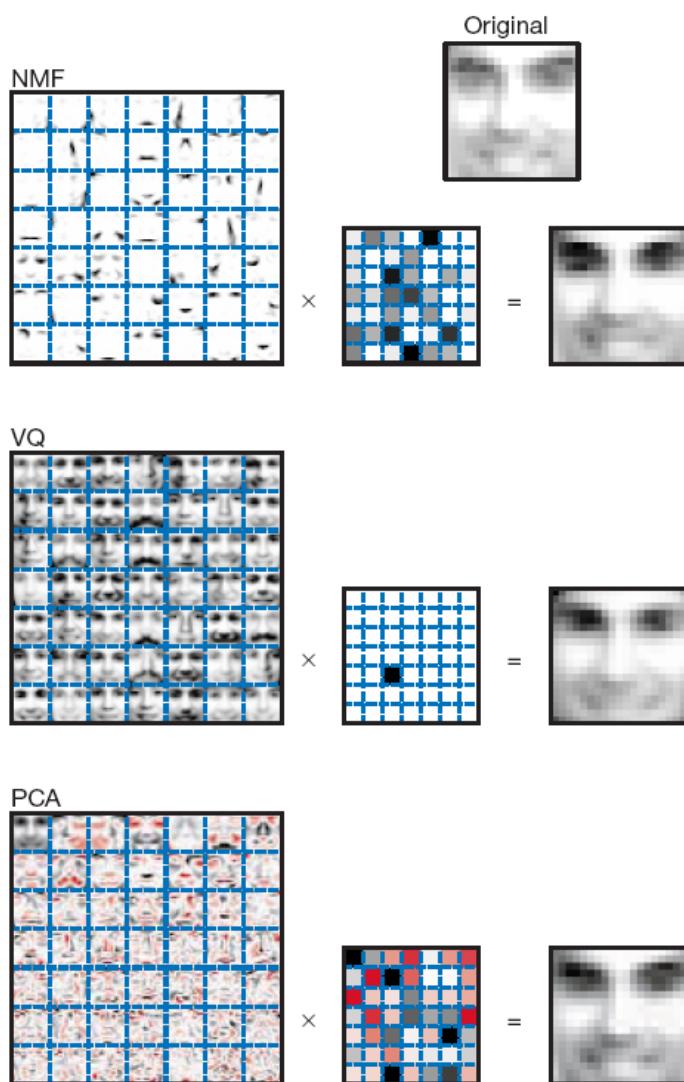


Figure 1 Non-negative matrix factorization (NMF) learns a parts-based representation of faces, whereas vector quantization (VQ) and principal components analysis (PCA) learn holistic representations. The three learning methods were applied to a database of $m = 2,429$ facial images, each consisting of $n = 19 \times 19$ pixels, and constituting an $n \times m$ matrix V . All three find approximate factorizations of the form $V \approx WH$, but with three different types of constraints on W and H , as described more fully in the main text and methods. As shown in the 7×7 montages, each method has learned a set of $r = 49$ basis images. Positive values are illustrated with black pixels and negative values with red pixels. A particular instance of a face, shown at top right, is approximately represented by a linear superposition of basis images. The coefficients of the linear superposition are shown next to each montage, in a 7×7 grid, and the resulting superpositions are shown on the other side of the equality sign. Unlike VQ and PCA, NMF learns to represent faces with a set of basis images resembling parts of faces.

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Learning the parts of objects by non-negative matrix factorization

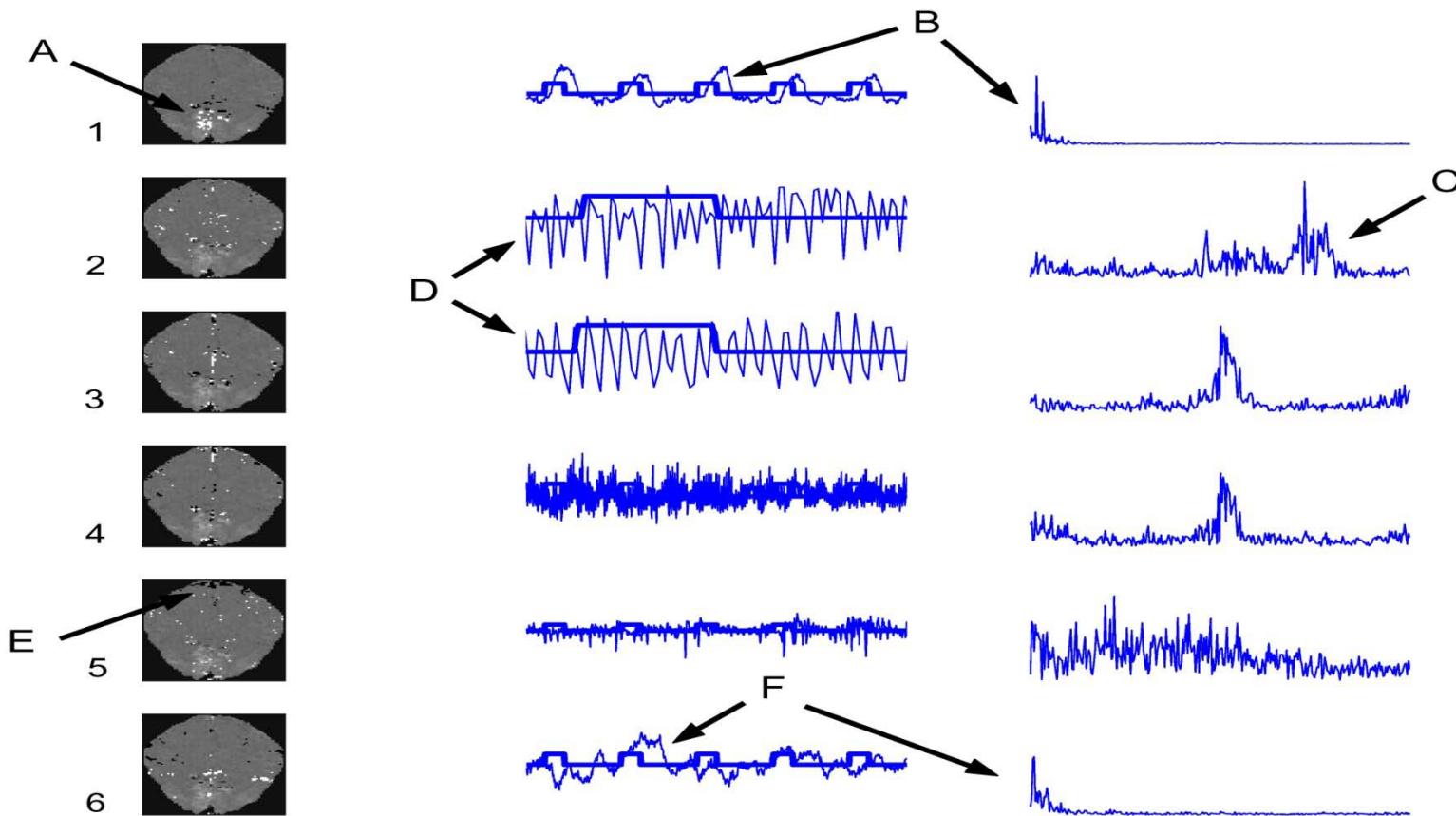
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ICA: Assume $S(k,t)$'s statistically independent



(McKeown, Hansen, Sejnowski, Curr. Op. in Neurobiology (2003))

DTU:ICA toolbox

- Infomax/Maximum likelihood
 - Bell & Sejnowski (1995), McKeown et al (1998)
- Dynamic Components
 - Molgedey-Schuster (1994), Petersen et al (2001)
- Mean Field ICA
 - Højen-Sørensen et al. (2001,2002)
- Features:
 - ✓ Number of components (BIC)
 - ✓ Parameter tuning
 - ✓ Binary and mixing constraints (A)
 - ✓ Demo scripts incl. fMRI data

<http://cogsys.imm.dtu.dk/toolbox/ica/>

Modeling the generalizability of SVD

Rich physics literature on "retarded" learning

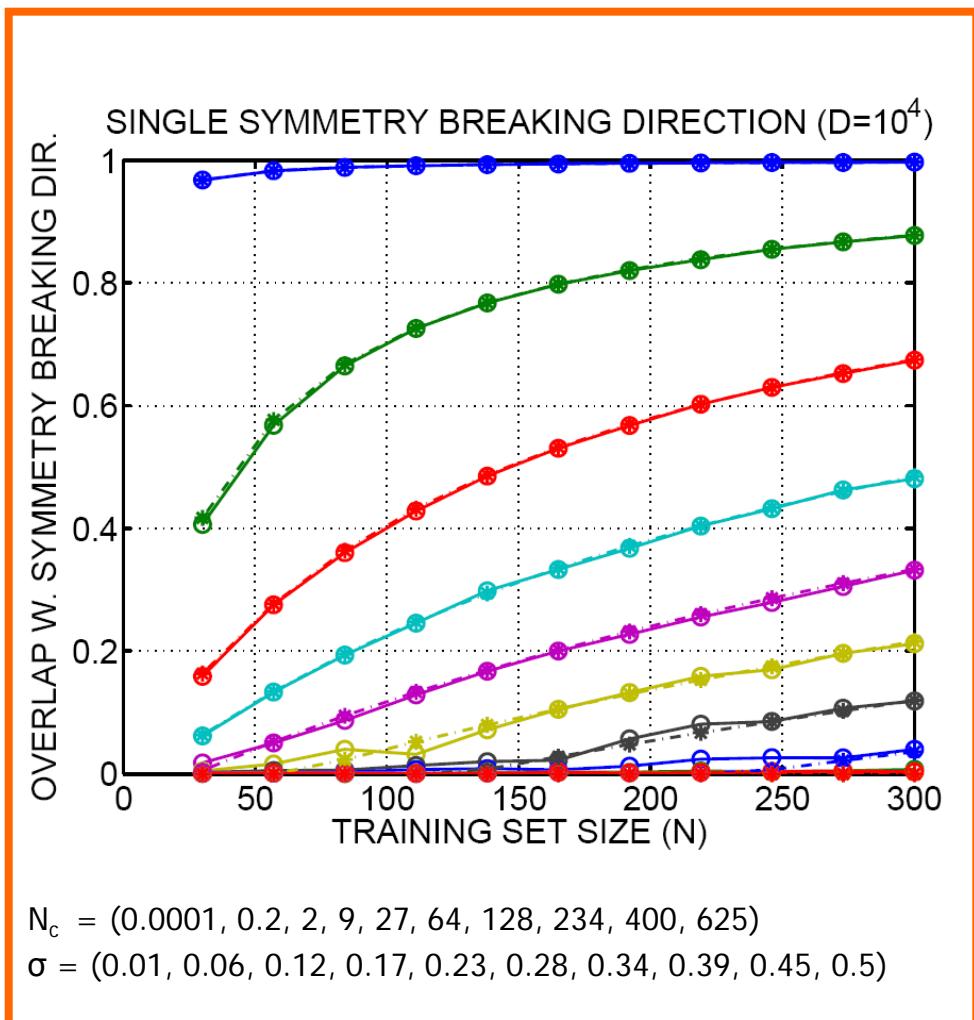
- **Universality**

- Generalization for a "single symmetry breaking direction" is a function of ratio of N/D and signal to noise S
- For subspace models-- a bit more complicated -- depends on the component SNR's and eigenvalue separation
- For a single direction, the mean squared overlap $R^2 = \langle (u_1^T u_0)^2 \rangle$ is computed for $N, D \rightarrow \infty$

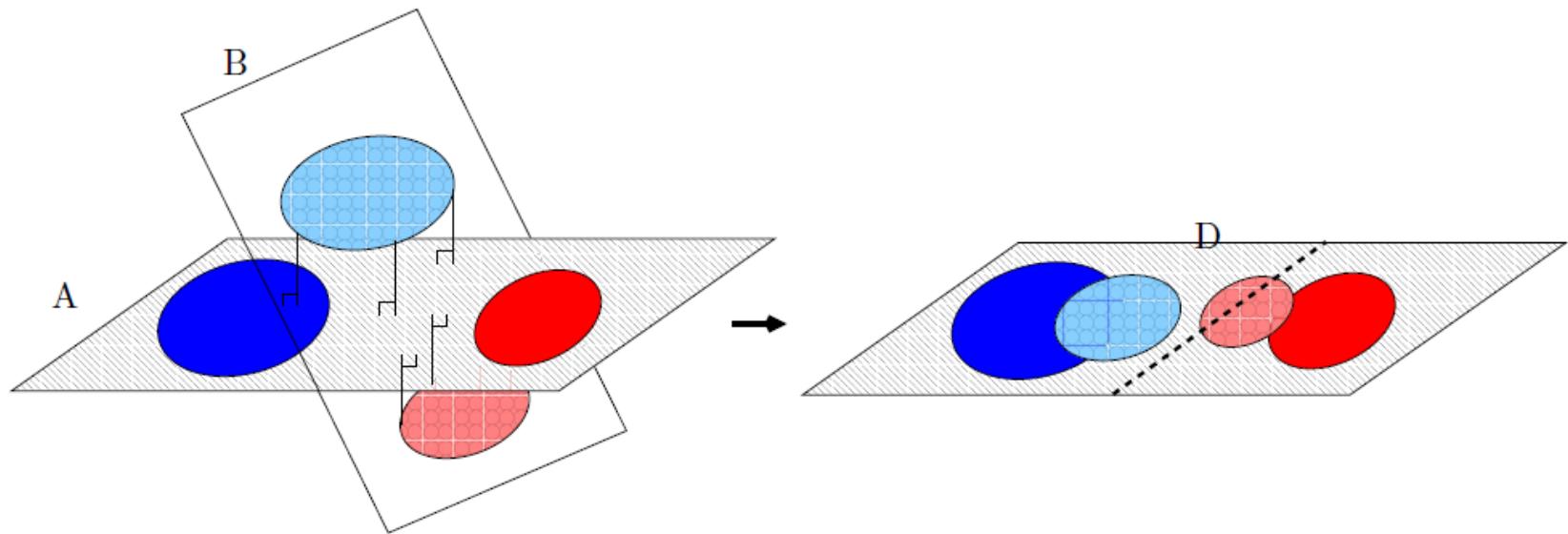
$$R^2 = \begin{cases} (\alpha S^2 - 1) / S(1 + \alpha S) & \alpha > 1/S^2 \\ 0 & \alpha \leq 1/S^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha = N/D \quad S = 1/\sigma^2 \quad N_c = D/S^2$$

Hoyle, Rattray: Phys Rev E 75 016101 (2007)

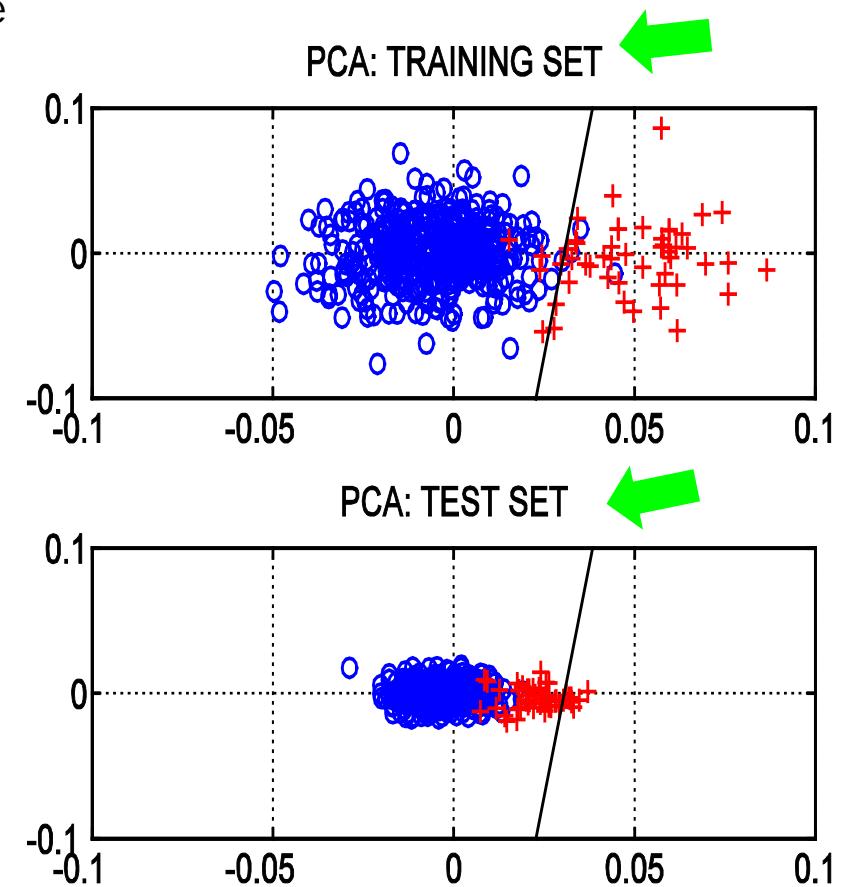


Generalizability – test training misalignment

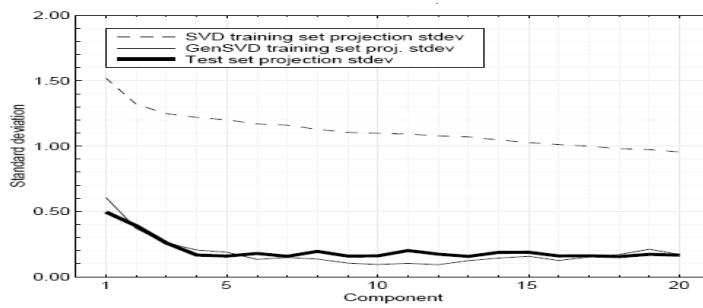
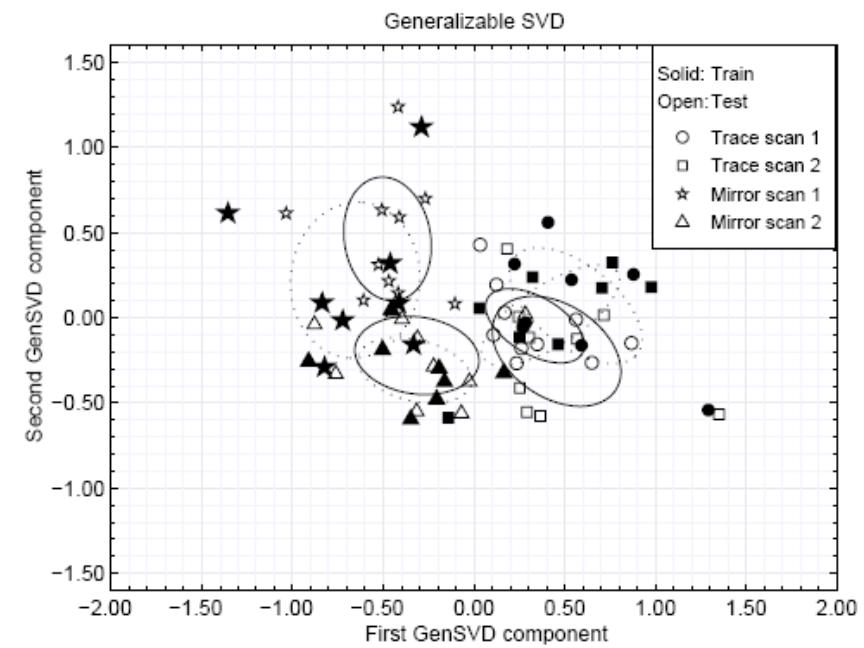
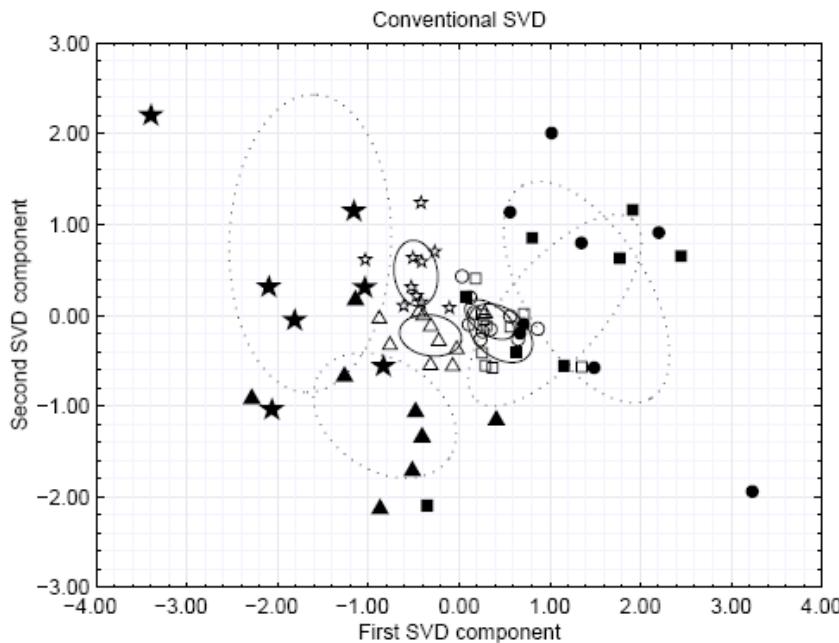


Restoring the generalizability of SVD

- Now what happens if you are on the slope of generalization, i.e., N/D is just beyond the transition to retarded learning ?
- The estimated projection is offset, hence, future projections will be too small!
- ...problem if discriminant is optimized for unbalanced classes in the training data!



Heuristic: Leave-one-out re-scaling of SVD test projections

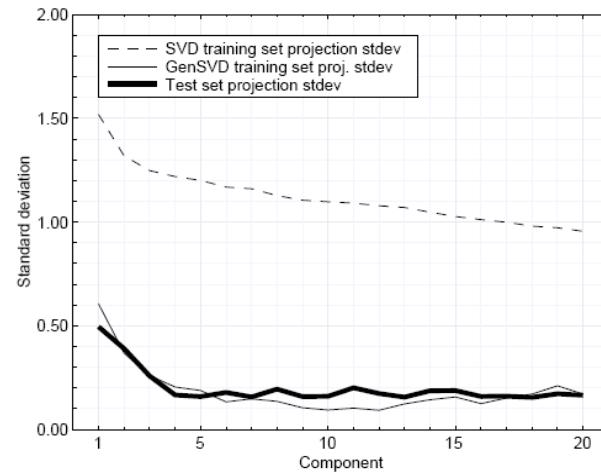


$N=72, D=2.5 \cdot 10^4$

Kjems, Hansen, Strother: "Generalizable SVD for
Ill-posed data sets" NIPS (2001)

Re-scaling the component variances

- Possible to compute the new scales by leave-one-out doing N SVD's of size $N \ll D$



Compute $\mathbf{U}_0 \mathbf{\Lambda}_0 \mathbf{V}_0^\top = \text{svd}(X)$ and $\mathbf{Q}_0 = [\mathbf{q}_j] = \mathbf{\Lambda}_0 \mathbf{V}_0^\top$
foreach $j = 1 \dots N$

$$\bar{\mathbf{q}}_{-j} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j' \neq j} \mathbf{q}_{j'}$$

$$\text{Compute } \mathbf{B}_{-j} \mathbf{\Lambda}_{-j} \mathbf{V}_{-j}^\top = \text{svd}(\mathbf{Q}_{-j} - \bar{\mathbf{Q}}_{-j})$$

$$\mathbf{z}_j = \mathbf{B}_{-j} \mathbf{B}_{-j}^\top (\mathbf{q}_j - \bar{\mathbf{q}}_{-j})$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_i^2 = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_j z_{ij}^2$$

Kjems, Hansen, Strother: NIPS (2001)

Challenges for the linear factor model

- Too simple?
 - Non-linear manifold
 - Temporal structure in networks -> Convulsive ICA
- Too rich and over-parametrized?
 - Multi-dimensional macro and micro variables
(space/time/frequency, group study, repeat trials)
 - Multiway methods

Beyond the linear model: De-noising by projection onto non-linear signal manifolds: kPCA

- Kernel PCA is based on non-linear mapping of data to

$$\mathbf{x}_n \rightarrow \varphi(\mathbf{x}_n) \equiv \varphi_n, \quad n = 1, \dots, N$$

Aim is to locate maximum variance directions in the feature space, i.e.

$$\mathbf{l}_1 \equiv \arg \max_{\|\mathbf{l}\|=1} \left\langle \left(\mathbf{l}^T \cdot \varphi \right)^2 \right\rangle, \quad \varphi(\mathbf{x}_n) = \sum_k \mathbf{l}_k s_{k,n}$$

The principal direction is in the span of data:

$$\mathbf{l}_1 = \sum_{n=1}^N a_{1,n} \varphi_n$$

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = \arg \max_{\|\mathbf{a}\|=1} \left\langle \mathbf{a}^T \cdot \mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{a} \right\rangle, \quad \mathbf{K}_{n,n'} = \varphi_n^T \cdot \varphi_{n'} = \exp \left(-\frac{\|x_n - x_{n'}\|^2}{2c} \right)$$

TJ Abrahamsen and LK Hansen. "Input Space Regularization Stabilizes Pre-image for Kernel PCA De-noising". Proc. of Int. Workshop on Machine Learning for Signal Processing, Grenoble, France (2009).

Manifold de-noising: The pre-image problem

Now, assume that we have a point of interest in feature space, e.g. a certain projection on to a principal direction “ Φ ”, can we find its position “ \mathbf{z} ” in measurement space?

$$\mathbf{z} = \varphi^{-1}(\phi)$$

Problems: (i) Such a point need not exist, and (ii) if it does there is no reason that it should be unique!

Mika et al. (1999): Find the closest match.

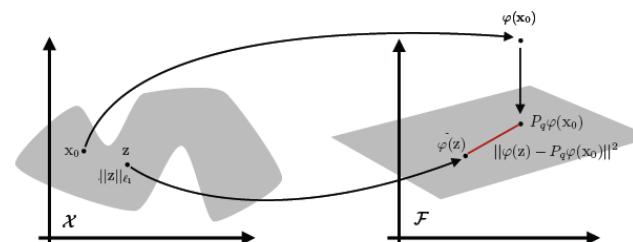
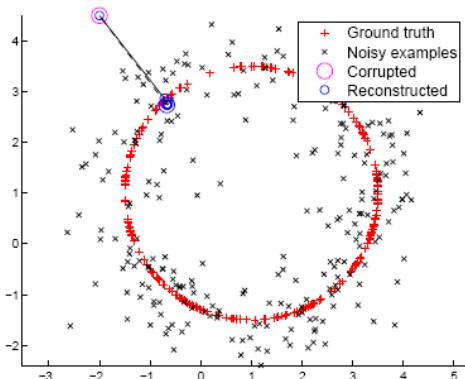


Figure 1: The pre-image problem in kernel PCA denoising concerns estimating \mathbf{z} from \mathbf{x}_0 , through the projection of the image onto the principal subspace in feature space, \mathcal{F} .

INPUT SPACE REGULARIZATION STABILIZES PRE-IMAGES FOR KERNEL PCA DE-NOISING

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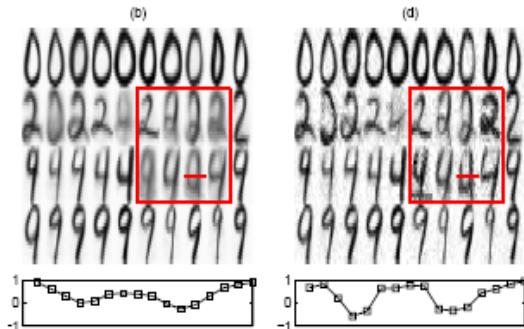


Fig. 4. Top: Example of de-noised digits using a very non-linear kernel ($c = 50$) and 100 principal components. (b) Mika et al and (d) our approach, note the visual improvement of the recovered pre-images in the red box. The colormap has been adjusted for better visualization. Bottom: The image intensity along the red line indicated above. Note the improved SNR in the result of the new method.

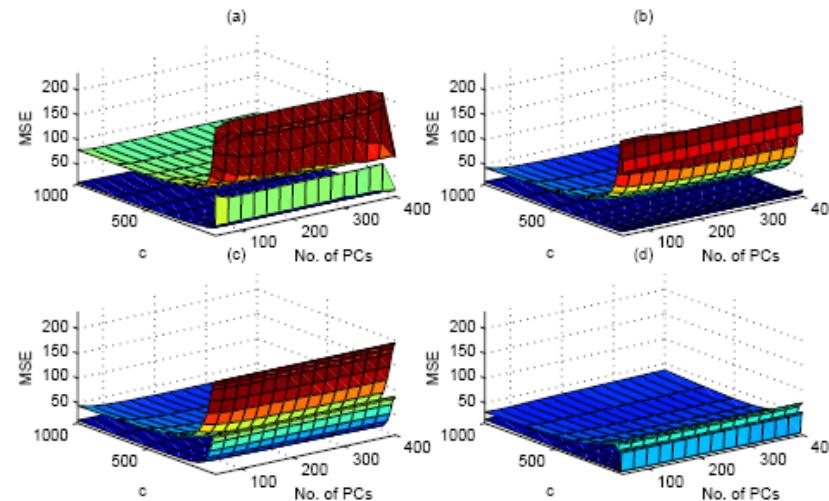


Fig. 2. Experiment to illustrate the stability of pre-image based de-noising of USPS digits. A training set of 400 digits (100@0, 2, 4, 9) is used to define the signal manifold. We show the confidence intervals (5th and the 95th percentile) for the mean square error (MSE) in different combinations of kPCA subspace dimension and non-linearity. MSE computed for 400 de-noised test samples for (a) Kwok-Tsang, (b) Mika et al., (c) Dambreville et al., and (d) the new input space distance regularization approach. The previous schemes are seen to deteriorate in the non-linear regime (small c).

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Regularization mechanisms for pre-image estimation in fMRI denoising

L2 regularization on denoising distance

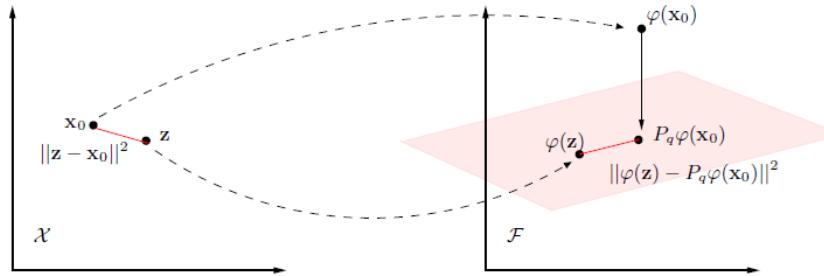


Figure 4.10: The pre-image problem in kernel PCA de-noising concerns estimating z from x_0 , through the projection of the image onto the principal subspace. Presently available methods for pre-image estimation lead to unstable pre-images because the inverse is ill-posed. We show that simple input space regularization, with a penalty based on the distance $\|z - x_0\|$ leads to a stable pre-image.

L1 regularization on pre-image

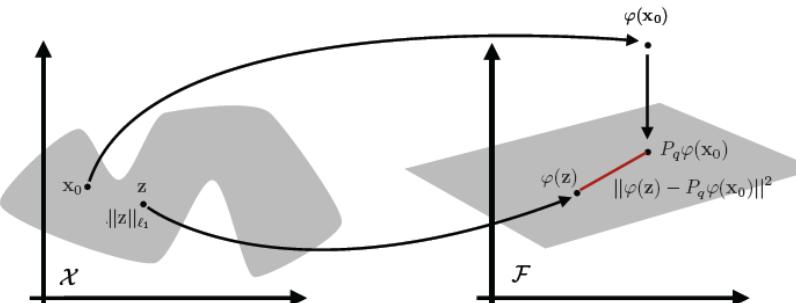


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Beyond the linear model: Kernel representations Individual denoised scan reproducibility

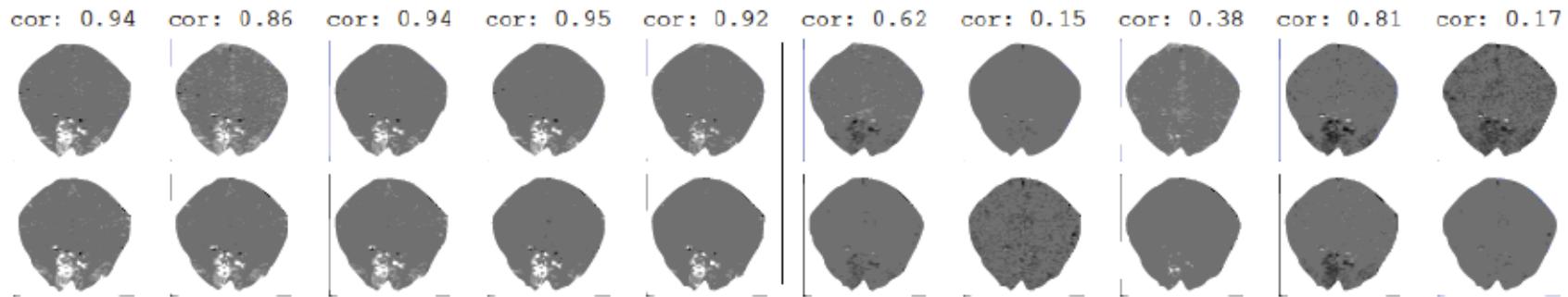


Figure 5: Example of the GPS reconstruction after projection on the two training sets in a split half experiment (top and bottom panel respectively). The five left panels show denoised active scans, whereas the five panels to the right show baseline scans. The correlation between the two reconstructions are given above each column. The higher reproducibility of the active scans are evident. The extended bright areas in the lower part of the slice in activated scans are located in the primary visual areas.

Data split in twice: training and test data, training set is split half to estimate reproducibility of denoising process

Sparse non-linear denoising: Generalization performance and pattern reproducibility in functional MRI
Trine Julie Abrahamsen, Lars Kai Hansen, DTU 2011

Beyond the linear model: Optimizing denoising using the PR-plot

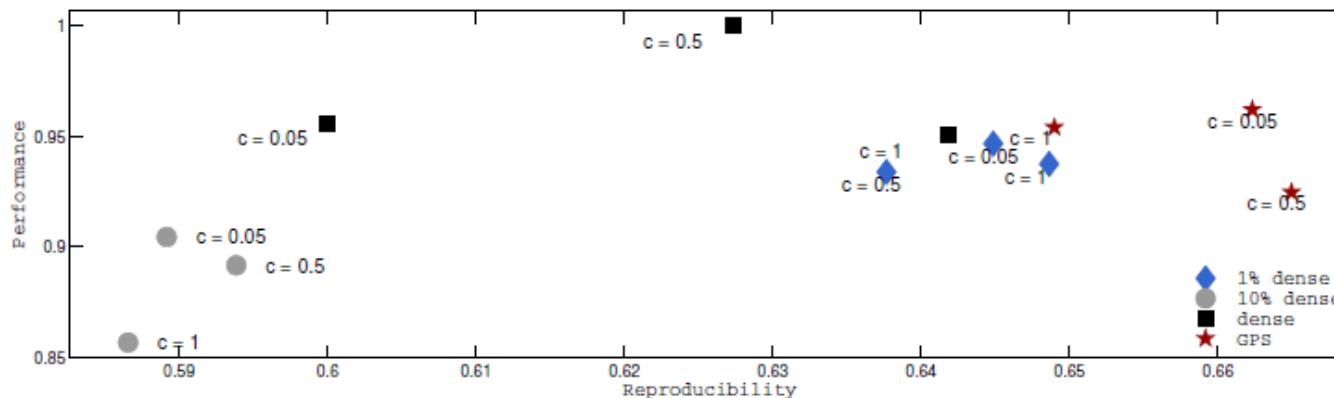


Figure 2: Prediction/reproducibility plots using all scans for the single slice fMRI visual block activation experiment. The GPS estimate when using a non-linear kernel are seen to outperform all other estimates in terms of combined prediction and reproducibility measures. Location in the upper right corner is preferred.

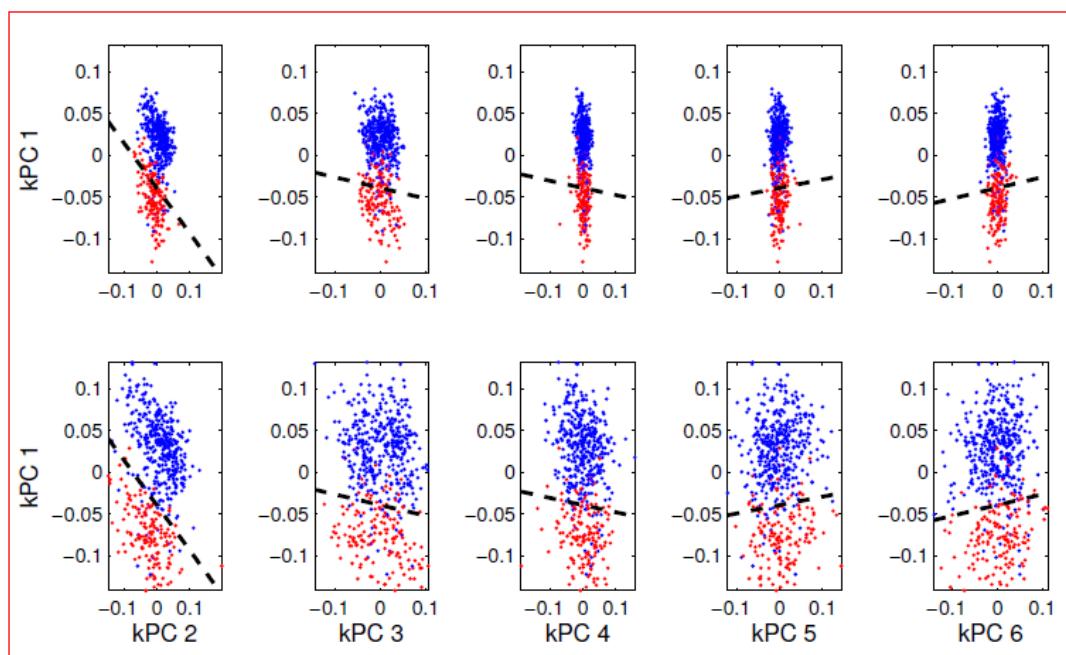
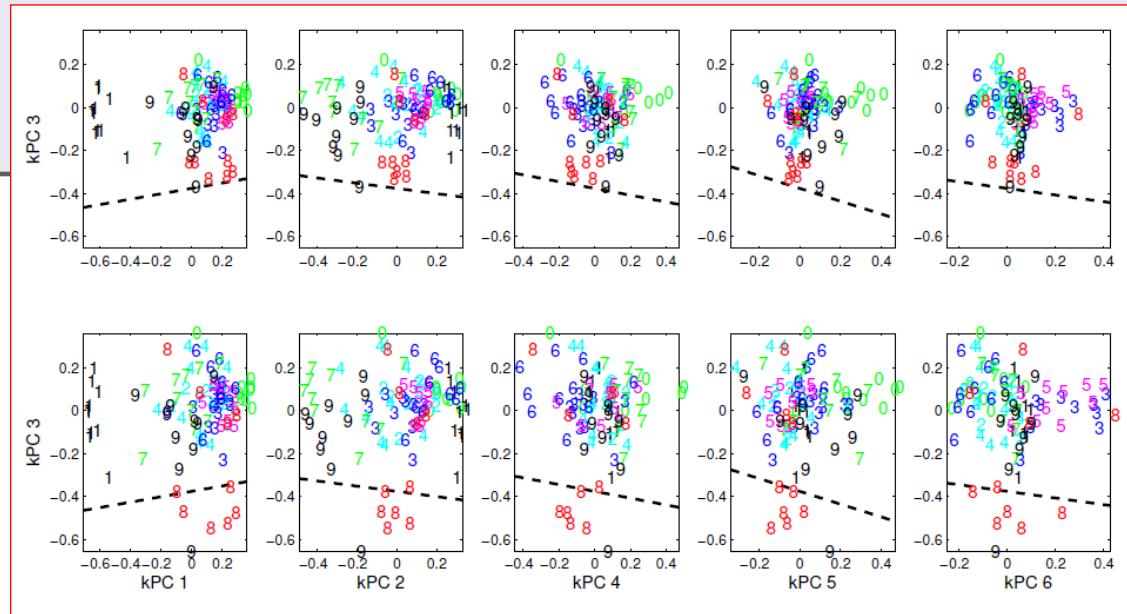
$$\mathbf{z} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{X}} \|\varphi(\mathbf{z}) - P_q \varphi(\mathbf{x}_0)\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{z}\|_{\ell_1}.$$

GPS = General Path Seeking, generalization of the Lasso method

Jerome Friedman. Fast sparse regression and classification. Technical report, Department of Statistics, Stanford University, 2008.

Variance inflation in kernel PCA

Handwritten digits:



fMRI data
single slice rest/visual stim (TR= 333 ms)

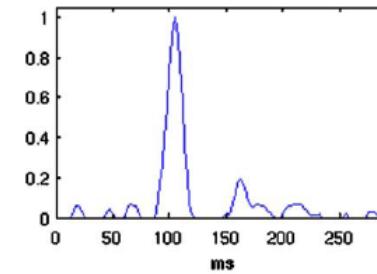
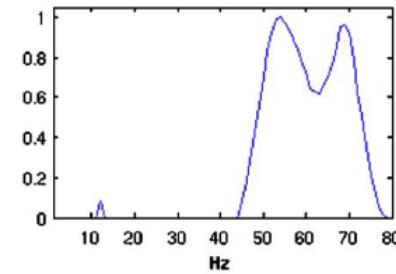
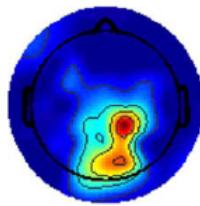
Data represented as multiway arrays

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{Factor Analysis: } \mathbf{X} = \sum_{\lambda=1}^F \mathbf{a}_\lambda \mathbf{s}_\lambda \\
 \mathbf{x}_{i_1 i_2} = \sum_{\lambda=1}^F a_{i_1 \lambda} s_{i_2 \lambda} + e_{i_1 i_2} \\
 \text{PARAFAC: } \mathbf{X} = \sum_{\lambda=1}^F \mathbf{a}_\lambda \mathbf{d}_\lambda \mathbf{s}_\lambda \\
 \mathbf{x}_{i_1 i_2 i_3} = \sum_{\lambda=1}^F a_{i_1 \lambda} d_{i_2 \lambda} s_{i_3 \lambda} + e_{i_1 i_2 i_3}
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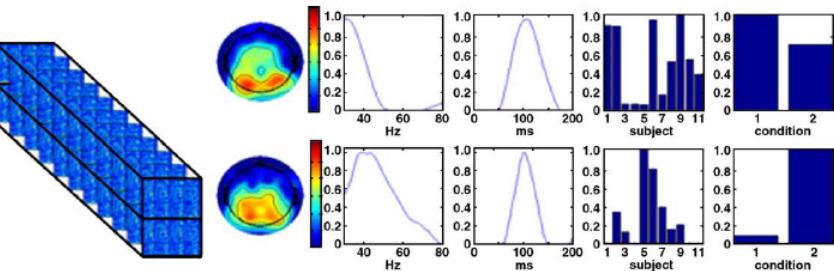
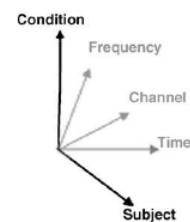
EEG visual response to meaningful vs non-meaningful drawings (N=11).

Fig. 1. Graphical representation of the factor analysis to the left and the PARAFAC decomposition of a 3-way array to the right. Like the factor analysis, PARAFAC decomposes the data into factor effects pertaining to each modality. F denotes the number of factors.

3-way analysis:
Channel*freq*time



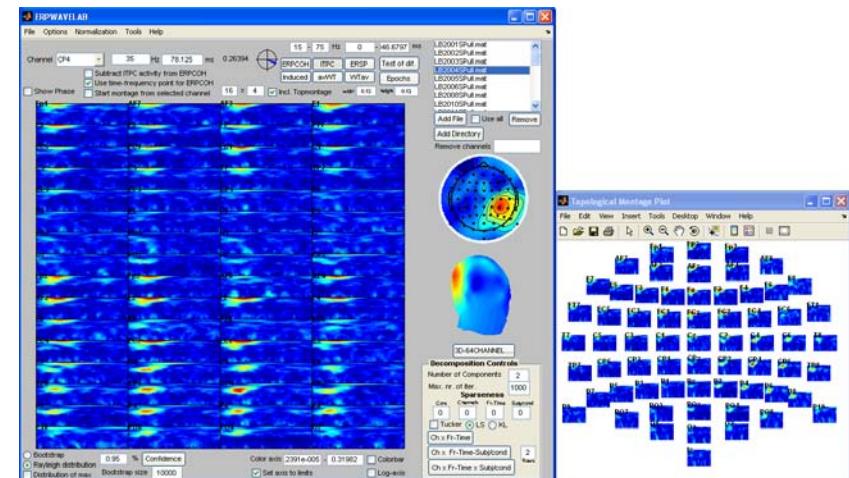
5-way analysis:
Channel*freq*time*subject*condition



Mørup et al. NeuroImage (2005), NeuroImage (2008)

ERPWAVELAB

- Interfaced with EEGLAB
- Single subject analysis
 - Artifact rejection in the time/freq domain
 - NMF decomposition
 - Cross coherence tracking
- Multi subject analysis
 - Clustering
 - Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)
 - Tensor decomposition

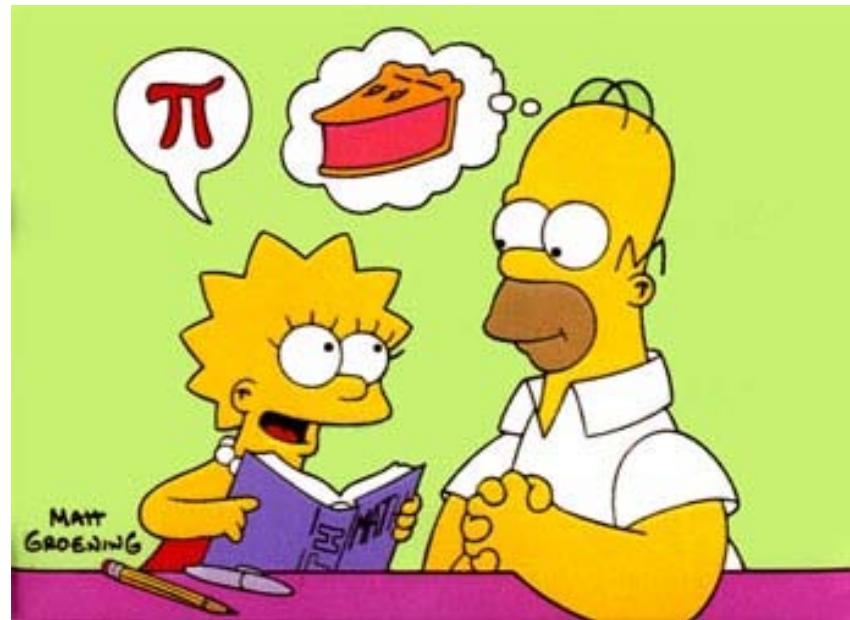


Toolbox download from www.erpwavelab.com

Mørup et al. J. Neuroscience Methods (2007),

Supervised learning

Retrieval of relevant patterns $p(s|x)$

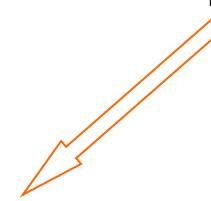


Generalizable supervised models - 'mind reading'

- Non-linear kernel machines, SVM

$$s(n') \approx \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha(n) K(x_n, x_{n'})$$

Local voting +/-



$$K(x_n, x_{n'}) = \exp \left\{ -\frac{\|x_n - x_{n'}\|^2}{2c} \right\}$$

PET: Lautrup et al. (1994), fMRI: Mørch et al. (1997)

Visualization of SVM learning from fMRI

- Visualization of kernel machines
 - How to create an SPM for a kernel machine
 - The sensitivity map for kernels
 - Example:

$$s(n') \approx \sum_{n=1}^N \alpha(n) K(x_n, x_{n'})$$

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Visualization of kernel machine internal representations

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Input Space Versus Feature Space in Kernel-Based Methods

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The Pre-Image Problem in Kernel Methods

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Support vector machines for temporal classification of block design fMRI data

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Existing visualization methods

- Pre-image (Mika et al., NIPS 1998, Schölkopf et al., 1999)
Basically an ill-defined objective, useful for denoising
- Multi-dimensional scaling (Kwok & Tsang, ICML 2003)
Interpolates nearest neighbors, suffers in high dimensions

Problem: Existing methods provide local visualization, which point should be visualized? Algorithms are reported unstable (may be fixed though!).

The sensitivity map

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The Quantitative Evaluation of Functional Neuroimaging Experiments: Mutual Information Learning Curves

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$$m_j = \left\langle \left(\frac{\partial \log p(s|x)}{\partial x_j} \right)^2 \right\rangle$$

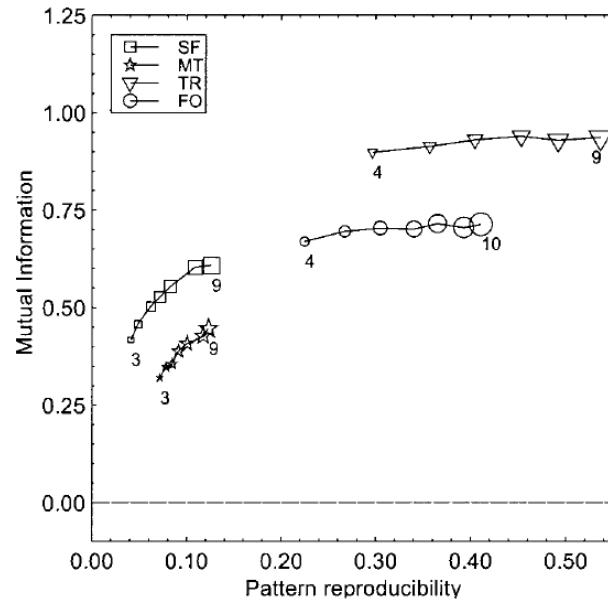
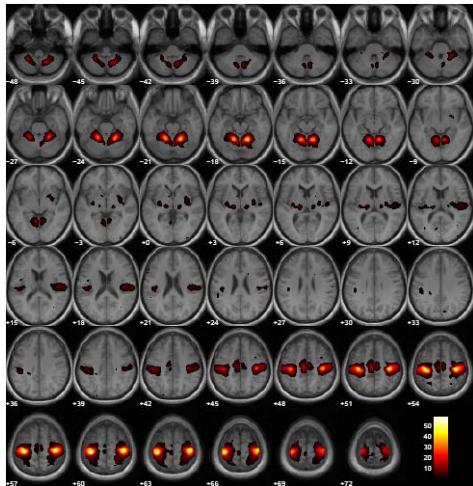


FIG. 3. Plot of scan/label mutual information versus reproducibility signal/noise for the four data sets, for varying numbers of subjects in the training set. There were 2 labels/4 scans per subject (balanced data set; Setup 1, Table 1) corresponding to the dashed solid line in Fig. 4. We see that both measures indicate improved performance of the model as the number of subjects increases.

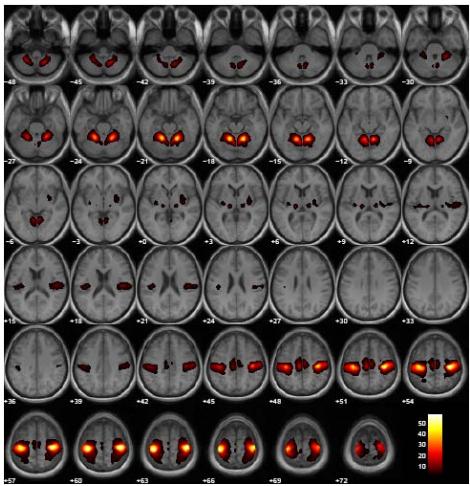
- The sensitivity map measures the impact of a specific feature/location on the predictive distribution

Consistency across models (left-right finger tapping)

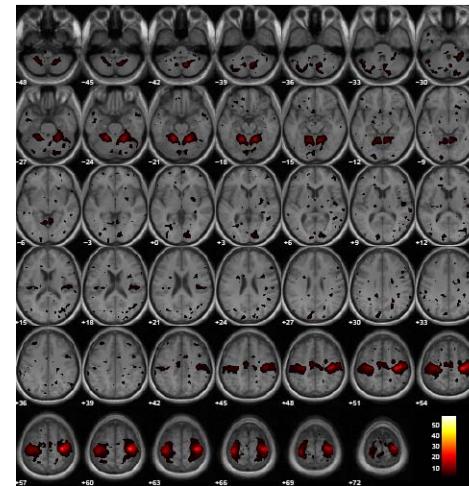
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SVM



RVM



Sparsity increasing

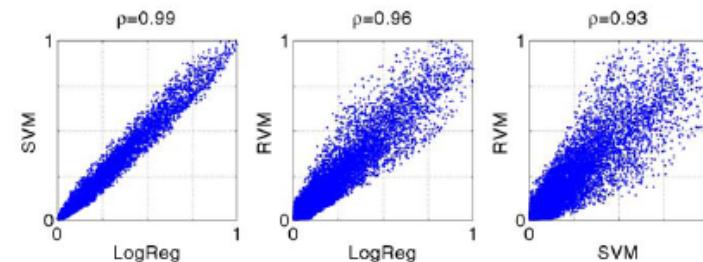


Figure 7: fMRI fingertapping experiment - consensus analysis. The plots show the extend of consensus in the average rSPI among the three models. The rSPI for LogReg was scaled by its maximum value. Hereafter the rSPIs from the SVM and RVM were transformed to match the histogram of that of LogReg. Correlation coefficients between histograms are found on top of the plots.

Sensitivity maps for non-linear kernel regression

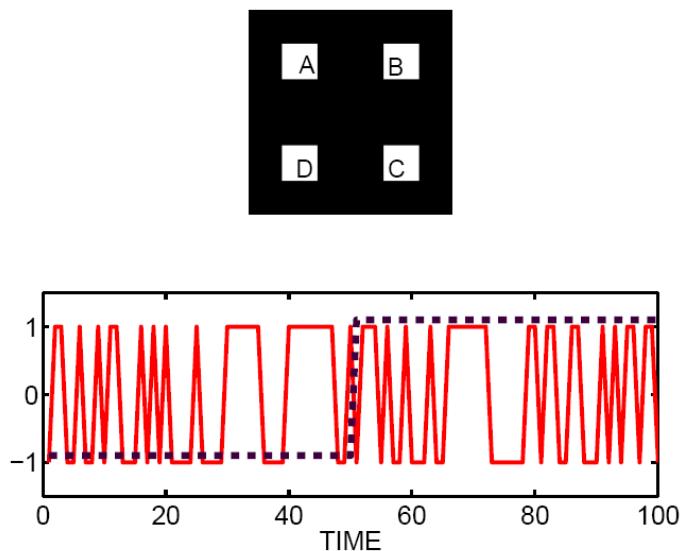


Fig. 1. XOR-image set define by four activated regions (A,B,C,D). Initially we let regions (A,B,D) be activated by random sequence taking values ± 1 , as shown in example in the bottom panel (full curve). The target signal, also taking values $t_n = pm1$, and is also indicated in the bottom panel (dashed line). The region (C) is activated with an XOR-sequence relative to (A) and t_n , so that $C_n = A_n * t_n$, hence, in the active state the two regions (A,C) are randomly, but identically activated, while in the resting condition, they are random, but opposite



Fig. 2. XOR-image set define by four activated regions. The results of analyzing a image set with $N = 400$ examples. The image signal-to-noise ratio is $SNR = 1$, i.e., the additive noise is unit variance. The target function has in addition been contaminated by 10% random label noise. The four subplots show: The sensitivity map (upper left), the near-perfect receiver operating curve (ROC, upper right), the true activation map (lower left), and a random example of the simulated brain images. We modeled the data set using the kernel regression method. The linear model was estimated using the so-called least angle elastic net method (LARSEN) with a degree of sparsity of 0.2, i.e., using $N = 0.2 \times 400 = 80$ support vectors.

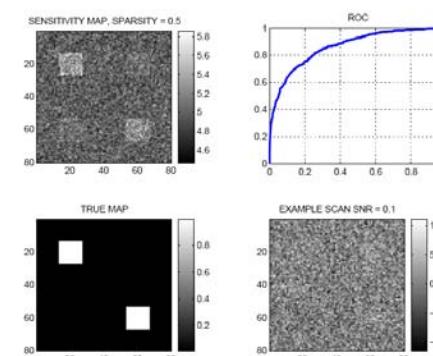
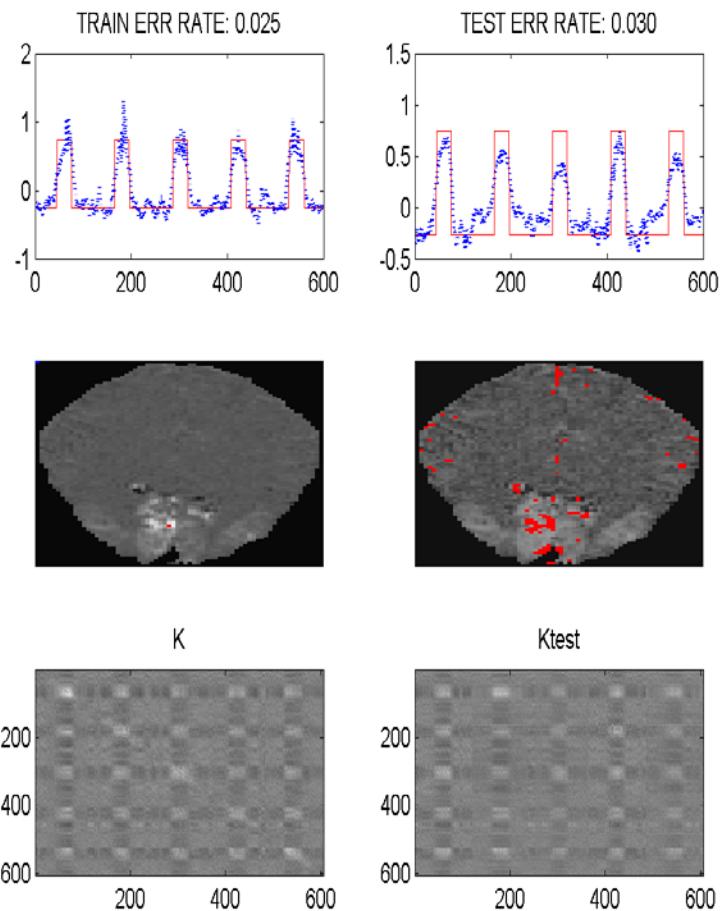


Fig. 4. XOR-image set define by four activated regions. Similar to figure 2, however the image signal-to-noise ratio is $SNR = 0.1$.

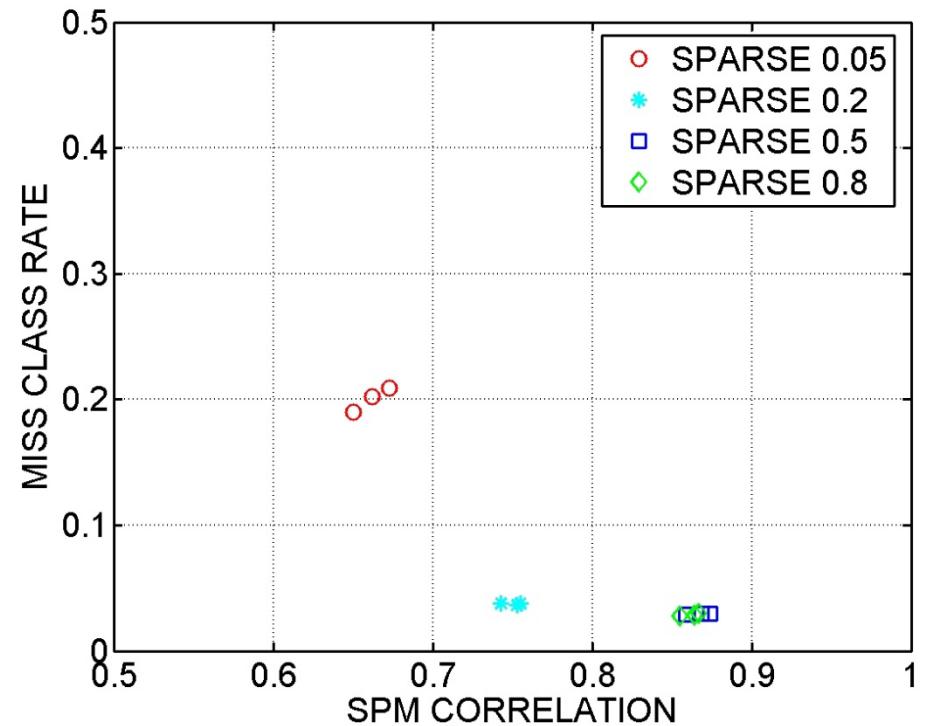
Initial dip data: Visual stimulus (TR 0.33s)

- Gaussian kernel, sparse kernel regression
- Sensitivity map computed for whole slice
- Error rates about 0.03
- How to set
 - Kernel width?
 - Sparsity?



Initial dip data: Visual stimulus (TR 0.33s)

- Select hyperparameters of kernel machine using NPAIRS resampling
 - Degree of sparsity
 - Kernel width, localization of map



Non-linearity in fMRI?

Visual stimulus: half checker board no/left/right/both

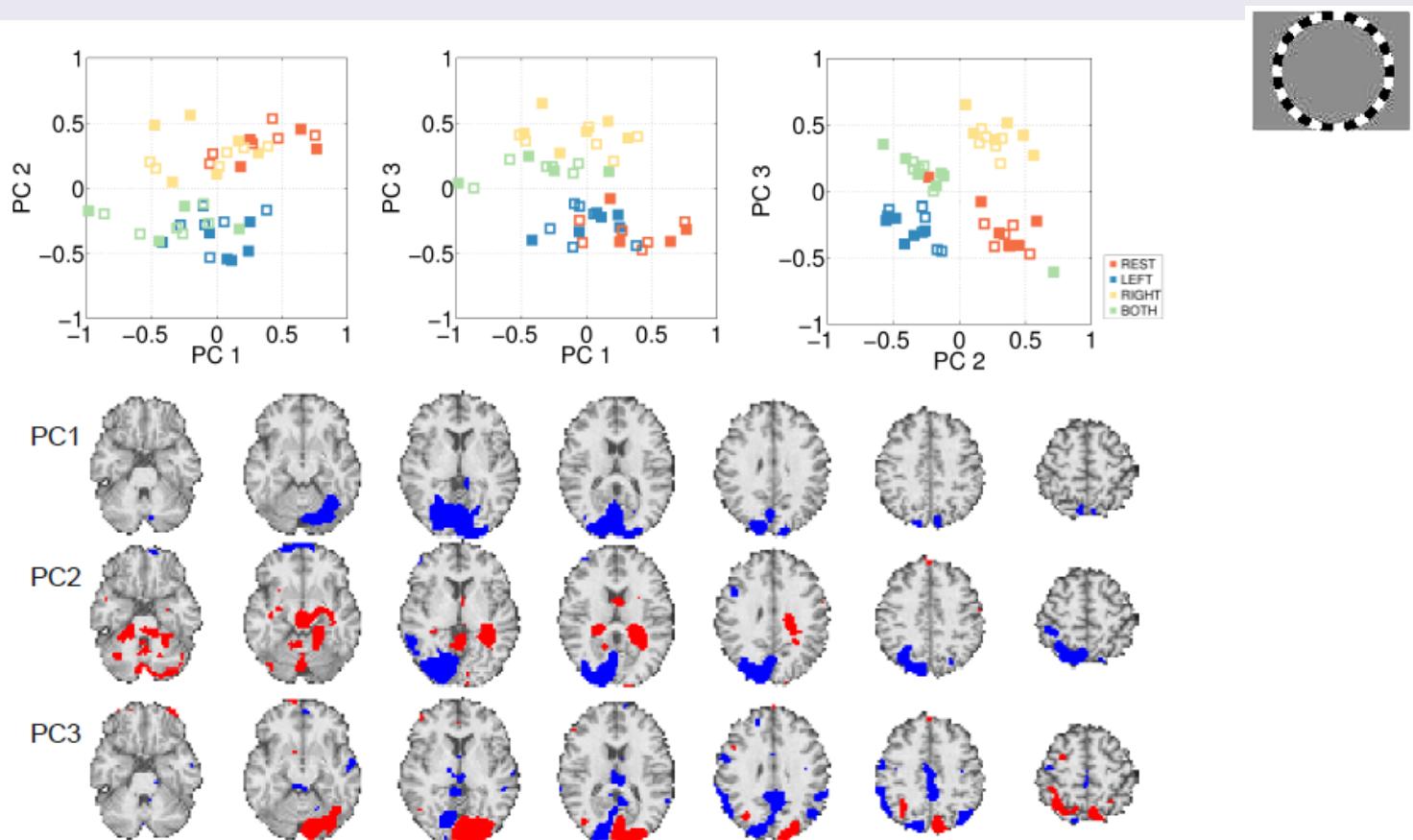
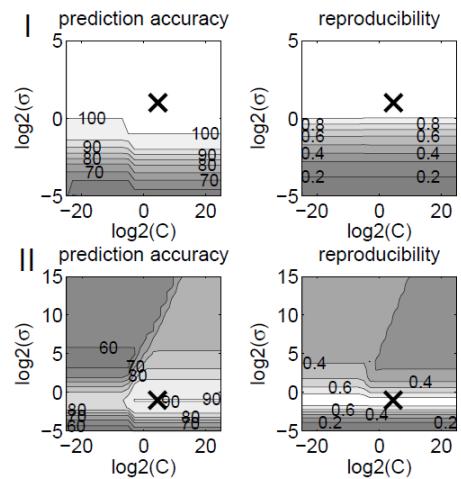
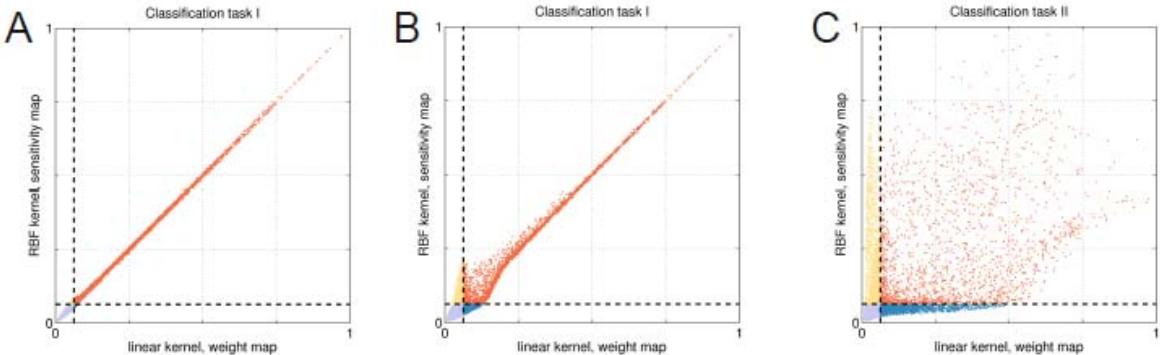
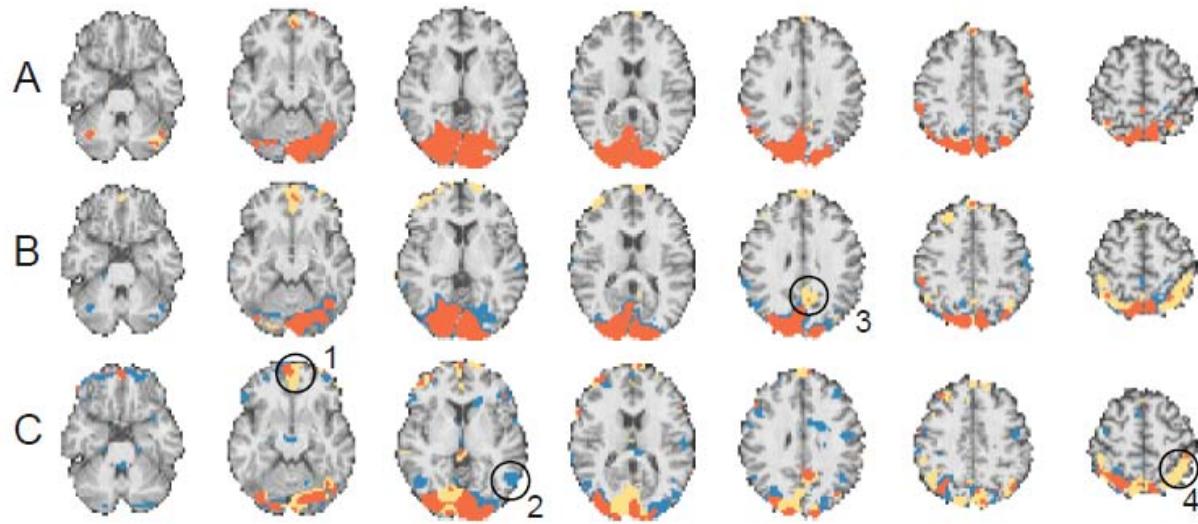


Figure 1: PCA analysis of the fMRI data set. An example of the three first PCs estimated from the training set in a NPAIRS split. The scatter plots show both training (filled markers) and test examples projected onto the PCs. The blue and red voxels on the brain slices corresponds to negative and positive PC loadings respectively. The maps are thresholded to show the 5 upper positive and negative percentiles.

Non-linearity in fMRI – detecting networks

Peter Mondrup Rasmussen et al. *NeuroImage* 55 (2011) 1120–1131



A: Easy problem-
(Left vs Right) and RBF
kernel is wide ... i.e.
similar to linear kernel

B: Easy problem-
Pars optimized to yield
the best P-R

C : Hard XOR problem
Pars optimized to yield
The best P-R

More complex interactions: Networks

Discriminative Network Models of Schizophrenia

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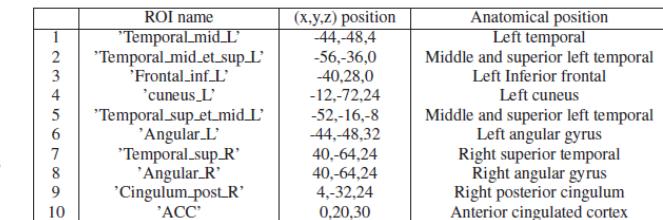
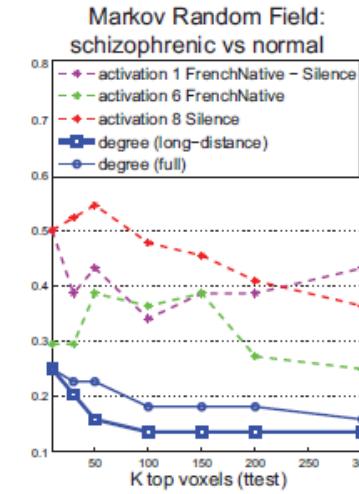
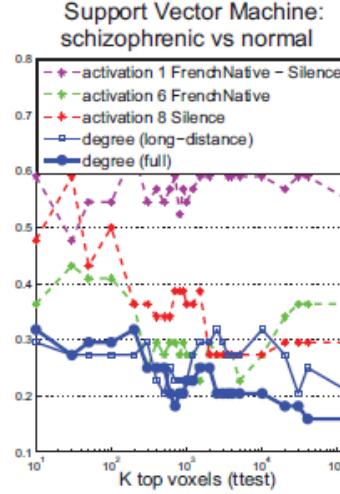
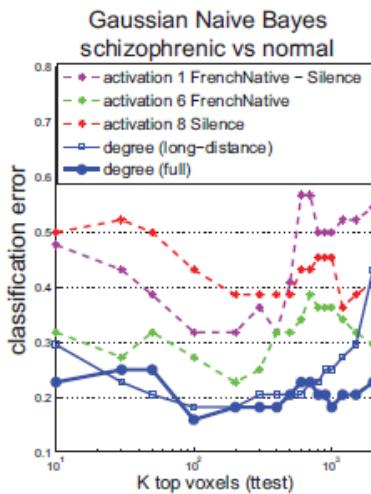


Figure 1: Regions of Interest and their location on standard brain.

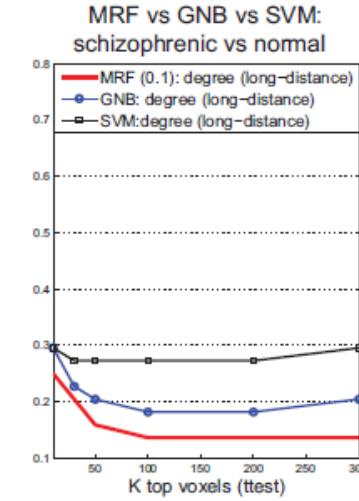
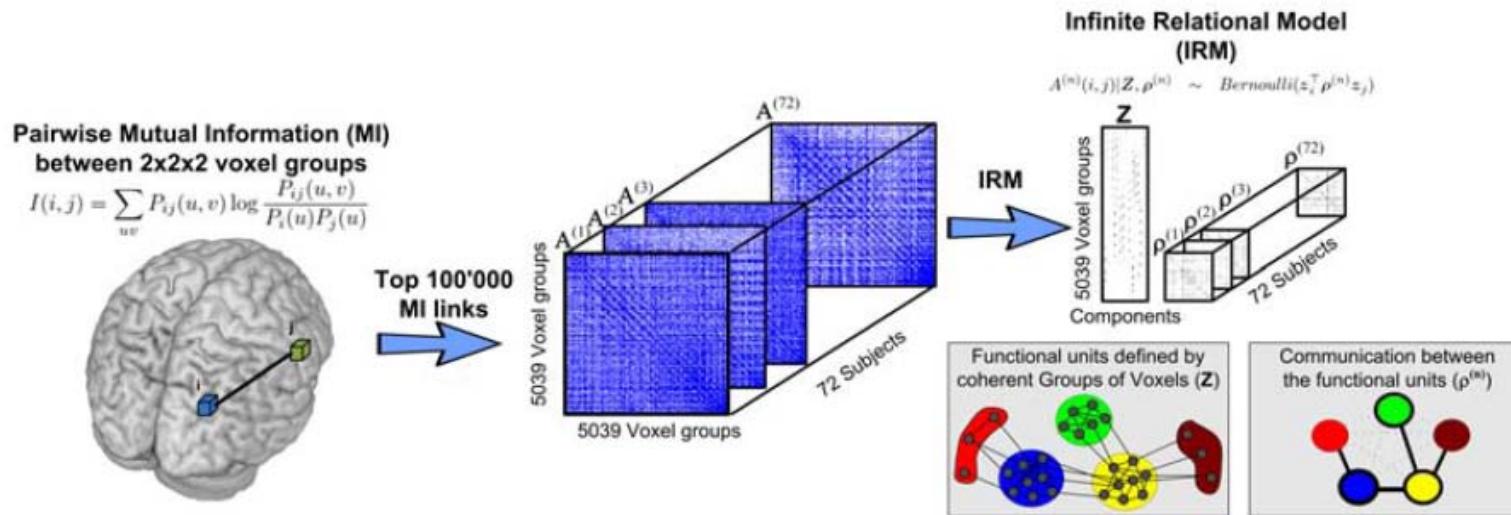


Figure 4: Classification results comparing (a) GNB, (b) SVM and (c) sparse MRF on degree versus activation contrast maps; (d) all three classifiers compared on long-distance degree maps (best-performing for MRF).

Detecting networks with relational models

Morten Mørup et al. NIPS 2010

Different networks in fMRI resting state fluctuations separates a group of MS patients from normal group (N_{tot} = 72)



Basic measure: Mutual information between time series (can detect similarity by modulation)

Infinite Relational Model (IRM) is inspired by social networks:

A new clustering approach - clustering based on similar communication instead of similar time series

IRM models - Detect communities of similar communication

\mathbf{A} is the mutual information graph, ρ the "community" connectivity matrix, and \mathbf{Z} is the community assignment variables

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{Z}|\alpha &\sim \text{DP}(\alpha) \\ \rho^{(n)}(a, b)|\beta^+(a, b), \beta^-(a, b) &\sim \text{Beta}(\beta^+(a, b), \beta^-(a, b)) \\ \mathbf{A}^{(n)}(i, j)|\mathbf{Z}, \rho^{(n)} &\sim \text{Bernoulli}(\mathbf{z}_{i_r}^\top \rho^{(n)} \mathbf{z}_{j_r})\end{aligned}$$

Detecting multiple sclerosis vs normal subjects

	Raw data	PCA	ICA	Degree	IRM
SVM	51.39	55.56	63.89 ($p \leq 0.04$)	59.72	72.22 ($p \leq 0.002$)
LDA	59.72	51.39	63.89 ($p \leq 0.05$)	51.39	75.00 ($p \leq 0.001$)
KNN	38.89	58.33	56.94	51.39	66.67 ($p \leq 0.01$)

Conclusion

- Machine learning in brain imaging has two equally important aims
 - Generalizability
 - Reproducible interpretation
- Can visualize general brain state decoders maps with perturbation based methods (saliency maps, sensitivity maps etc)
- NPAIRS split-half based framework for optimization of generalizability and robust visualizations
- More complex mechanisms may be revealed with non-linear detectors

Outlook – the future of mind reading

- More "ecological" conditions
- Long time observations in the "wild"
- EEG real time 3D imaging for bio-feedback
- 24/7 monitoring



Illustration of
HypoSafe implantable device



Fig. 1. Handheld brain scanner components. Emotiv EPOC wireless EEG headset (1), Emotiv Receiver module with USB connector (2), USB connector and adapter (3+4), and Nokia N900 mobile phone. The total cost of the system is less than USD1000.

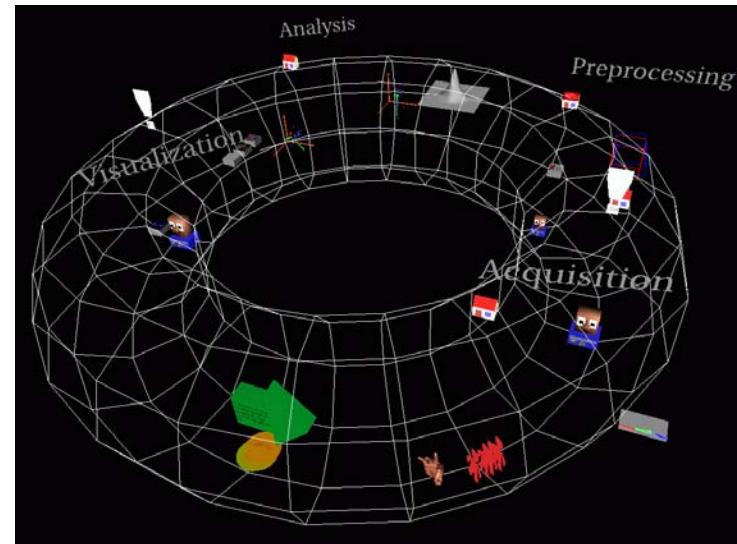


Fig. 3. A user interacting with a 3D model of the brain using the handheld brain scanner device with touch-based interaction.

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