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The human brain in action:

Resting-state neuroimaging unravels functional organization in the brain

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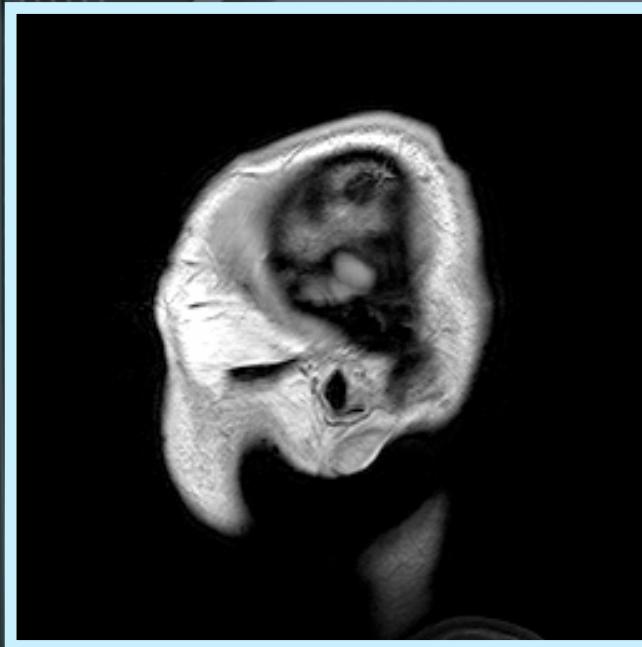
Medtronic



Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)

- Widely deployed in hospitals and research centers
- Endogenous contrast mechanism
- Non-invasive imaging tool to study human brain anatomy and function

Structural MRI



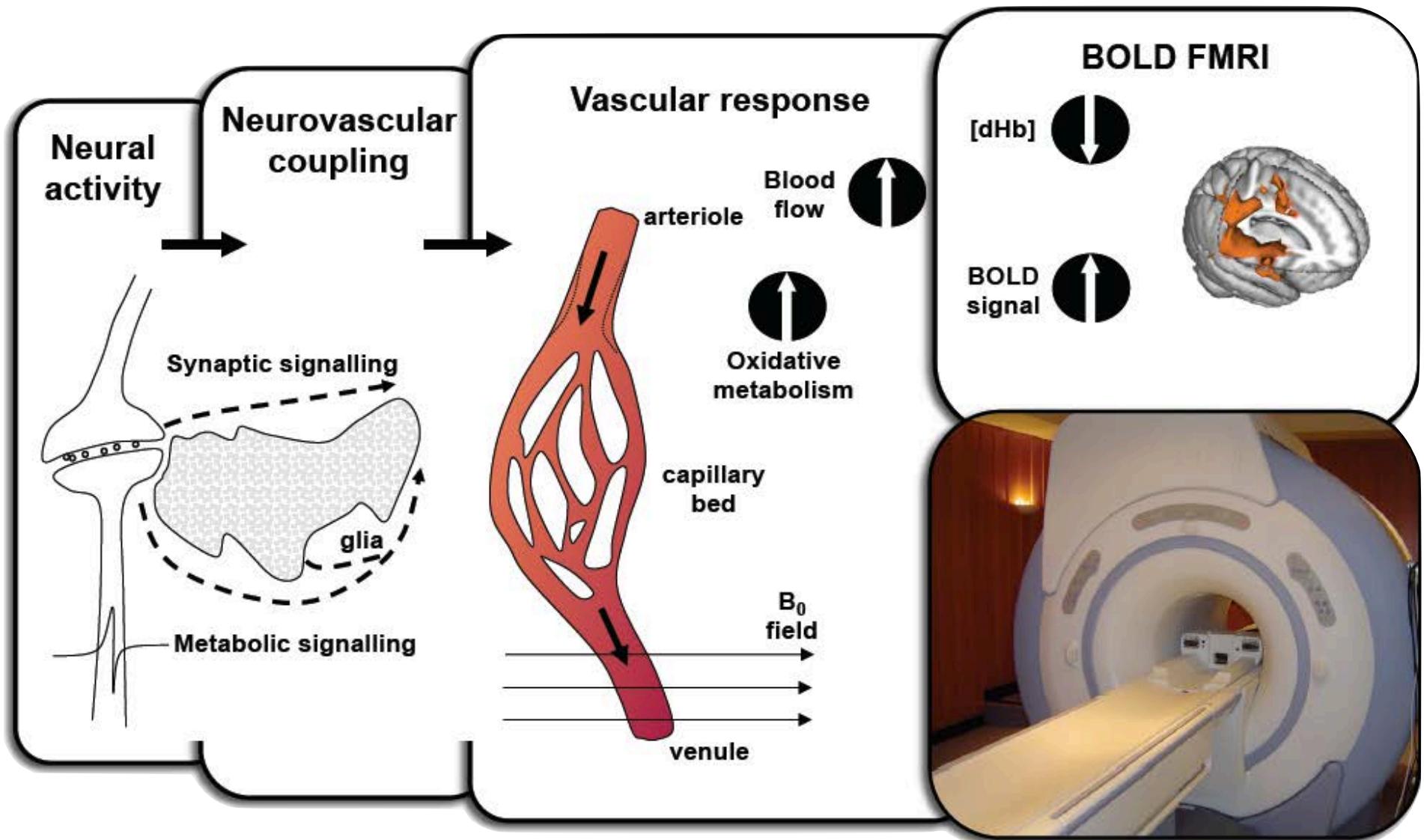
Functional MRI



- Single 3D volume
 - $1 \times 1 \times 1 \text{ mm}^3$
 - takes couple of minutes

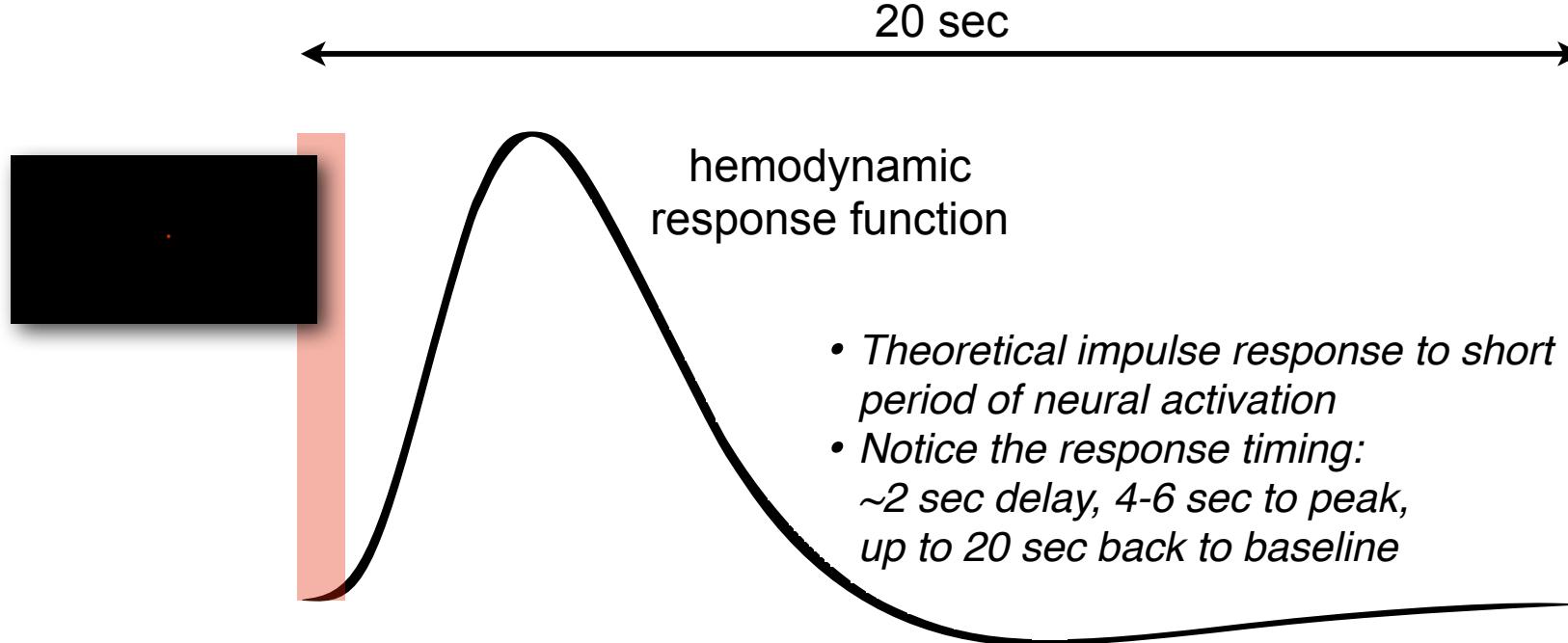
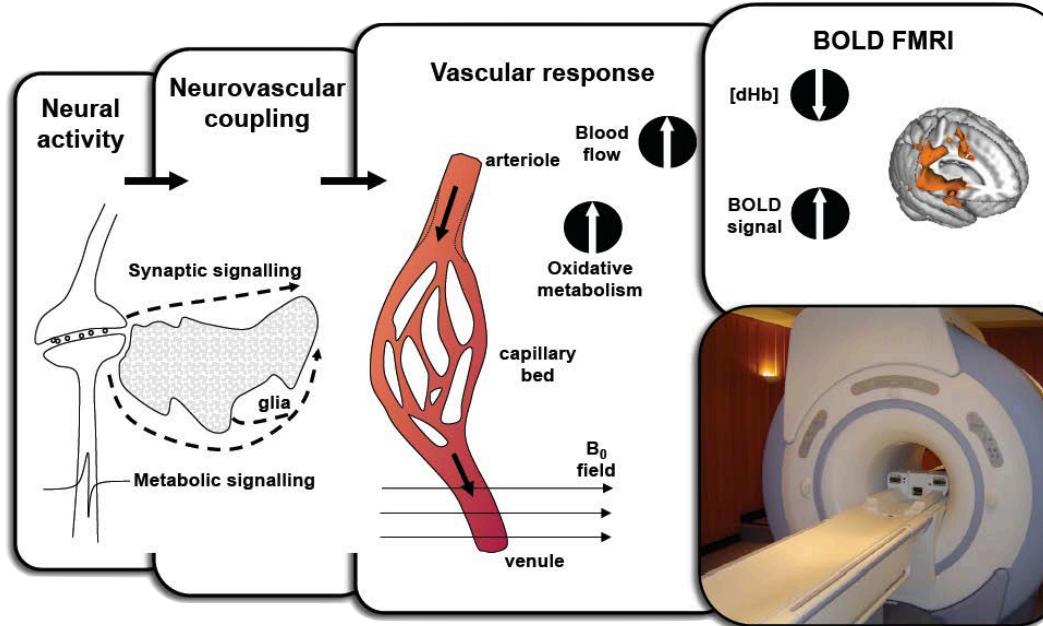
- Series of 3D volumes
 - $2 \times 2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^3$
 - 30-60 slices
 - every 1-3 sec
 - during 5-10 minutes

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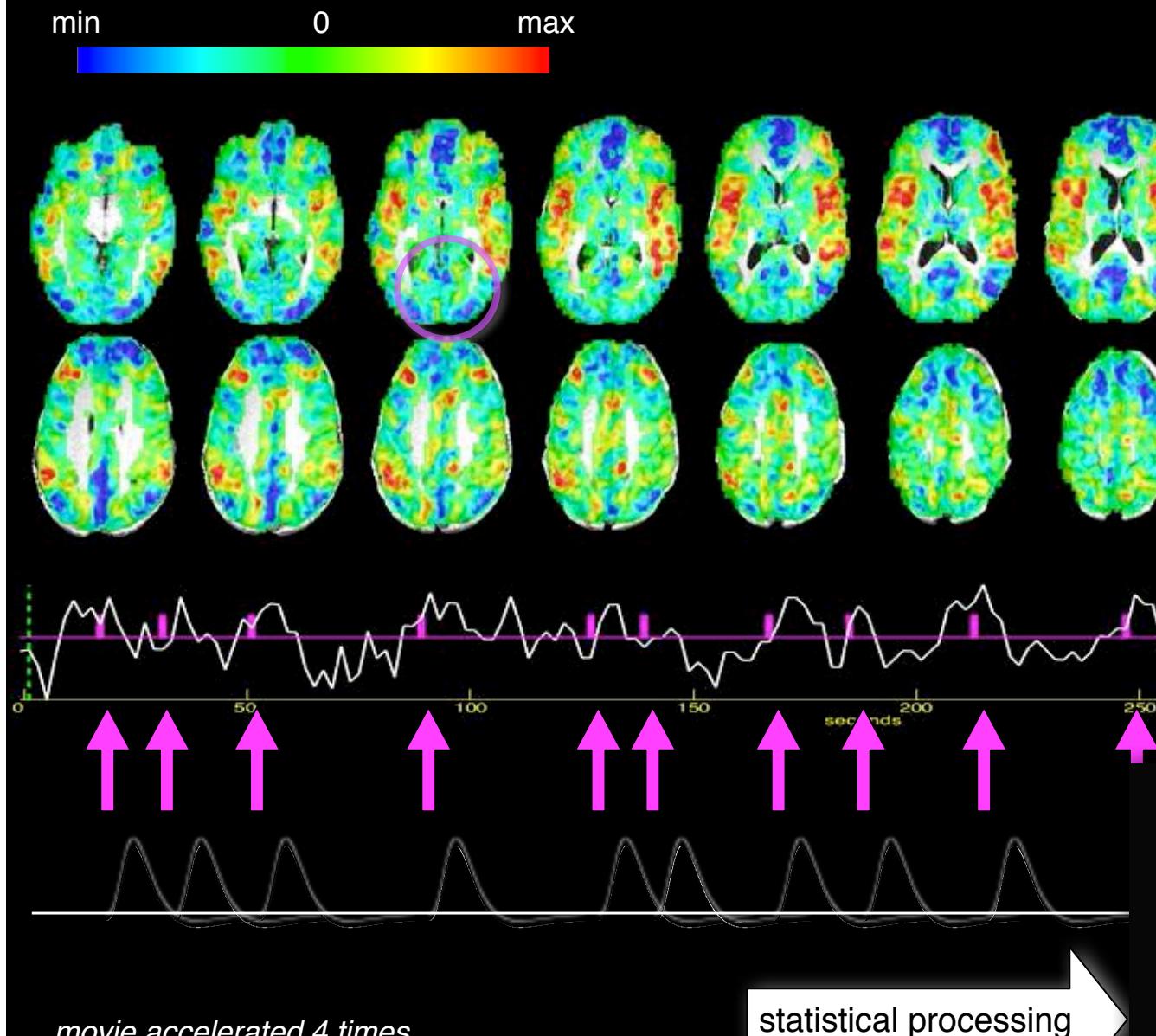
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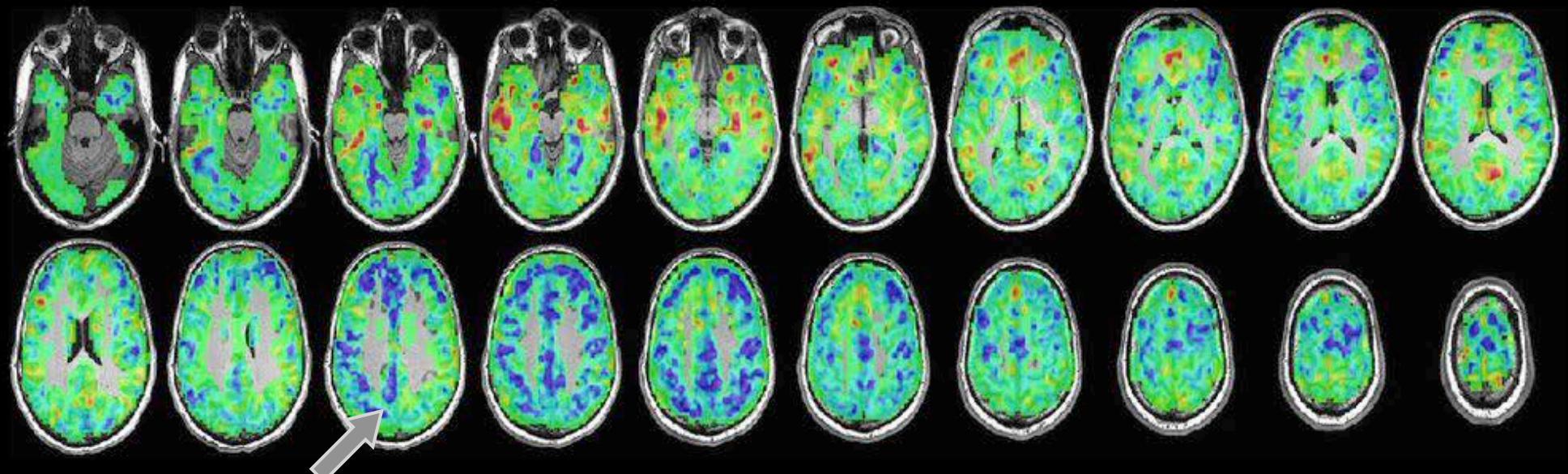
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fMRI of evoked activity

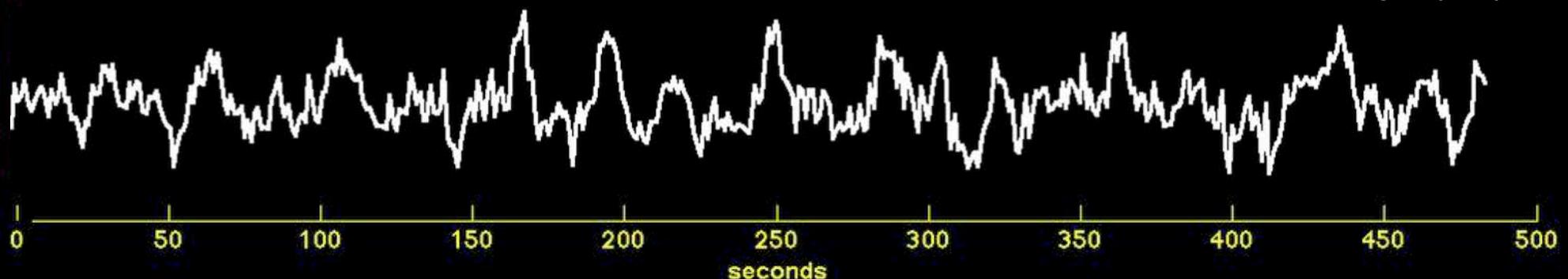


fMRI of spontaneous activity

resting-state scan (minimally preprocessed)



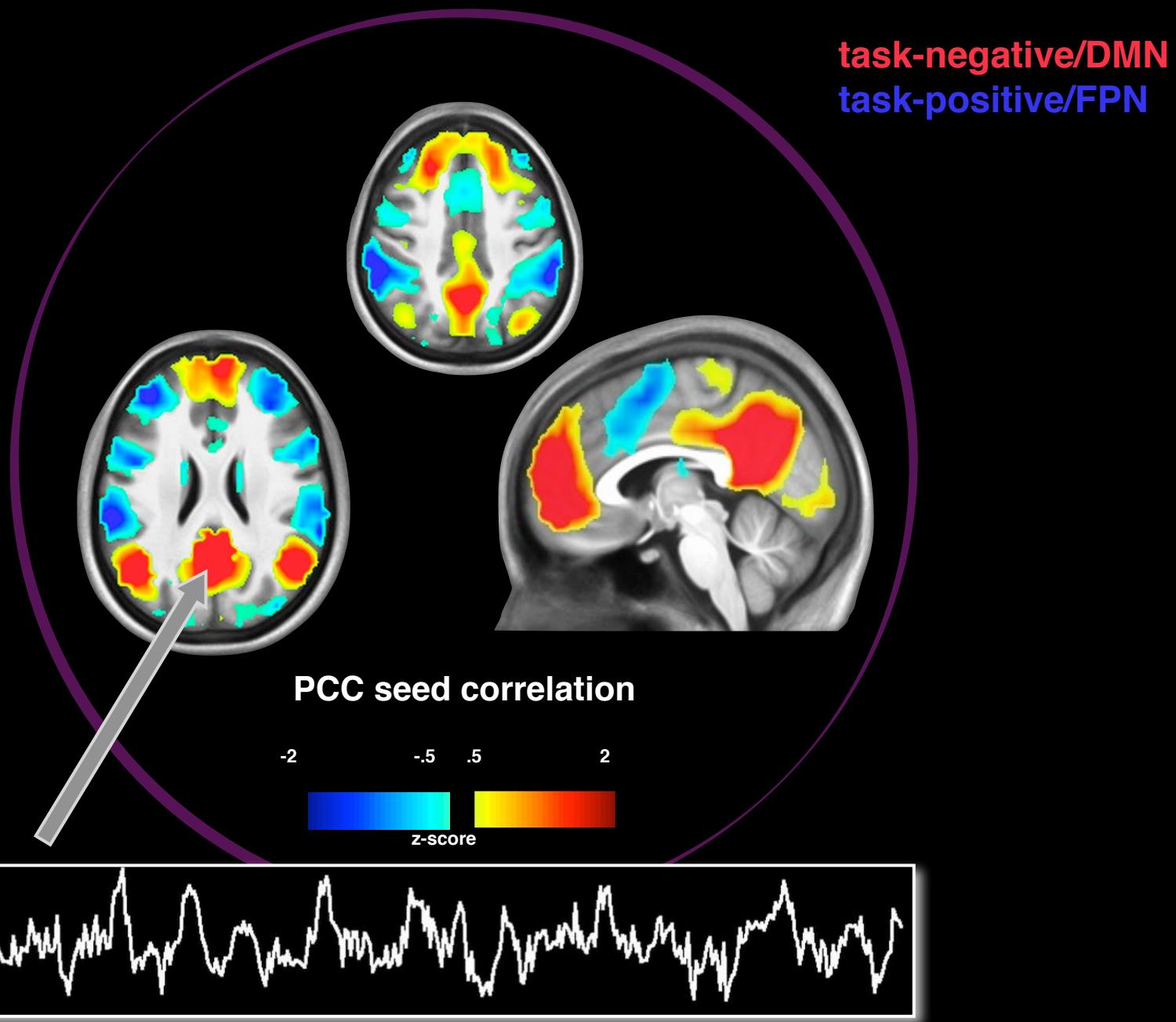
— BOLD signal (PCC)



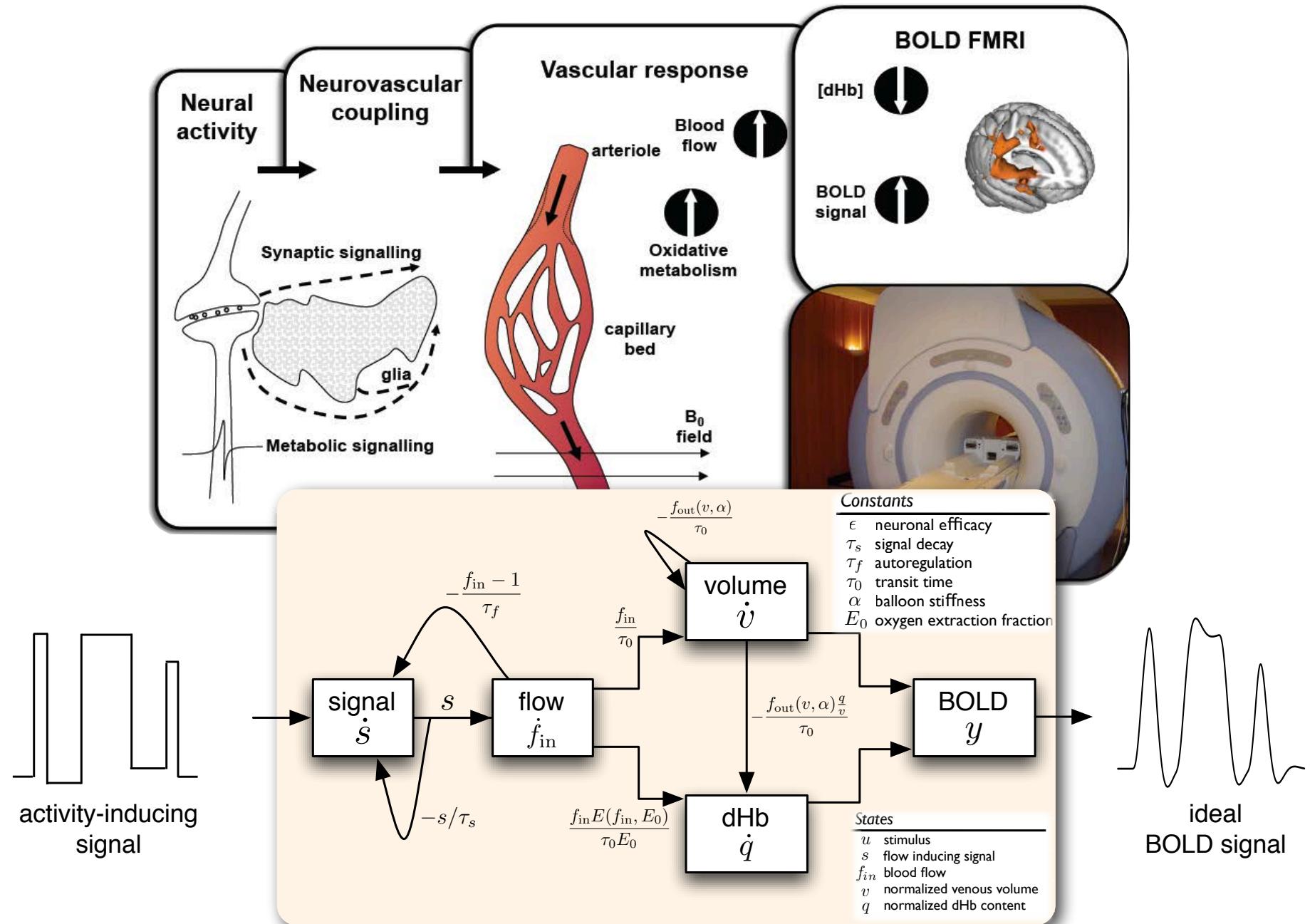
movie accelerated 4 times

minimal compliance for patient studies!

PCC connectivity: task-positive and task-negative networks

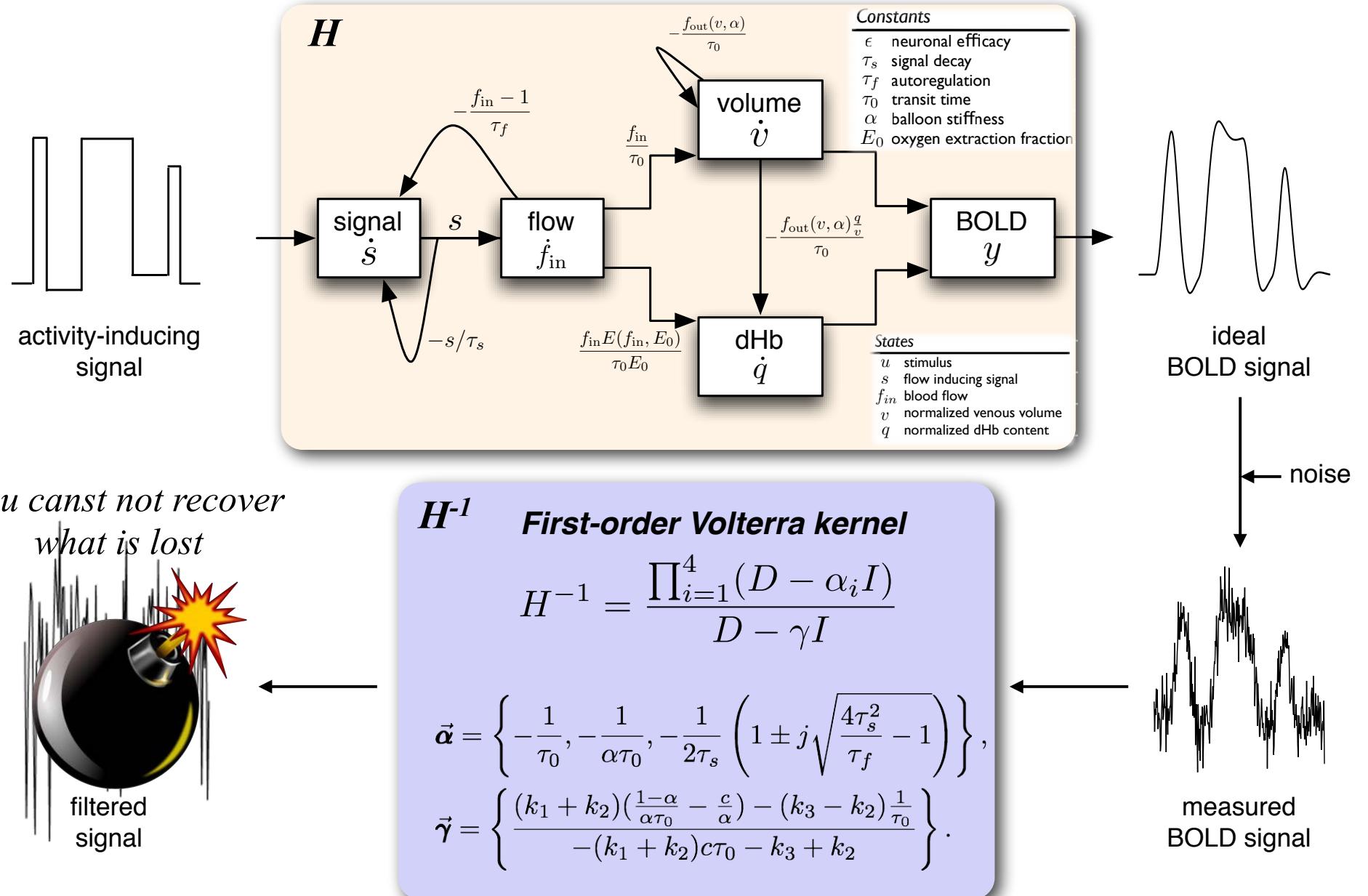


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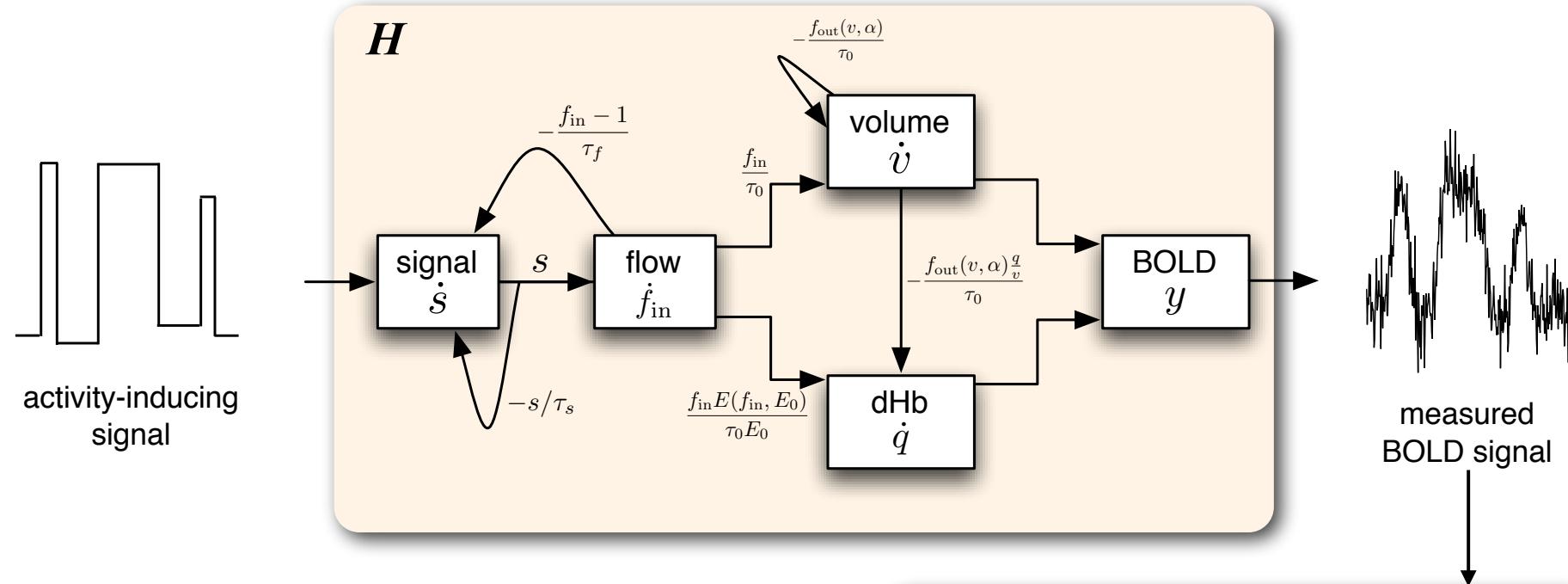


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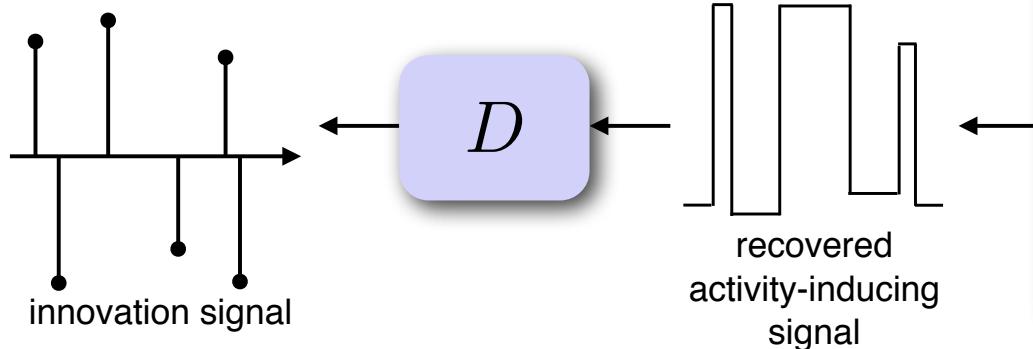


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- Total activation regularization:

$$\hat{x} = \arg \min_x \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \|y - x\|_2^2}_{\text{data fitness}} + \lambda \underbrace{\|DH^{-1}\{x\}\|_1}_{\text{regularization}}$$



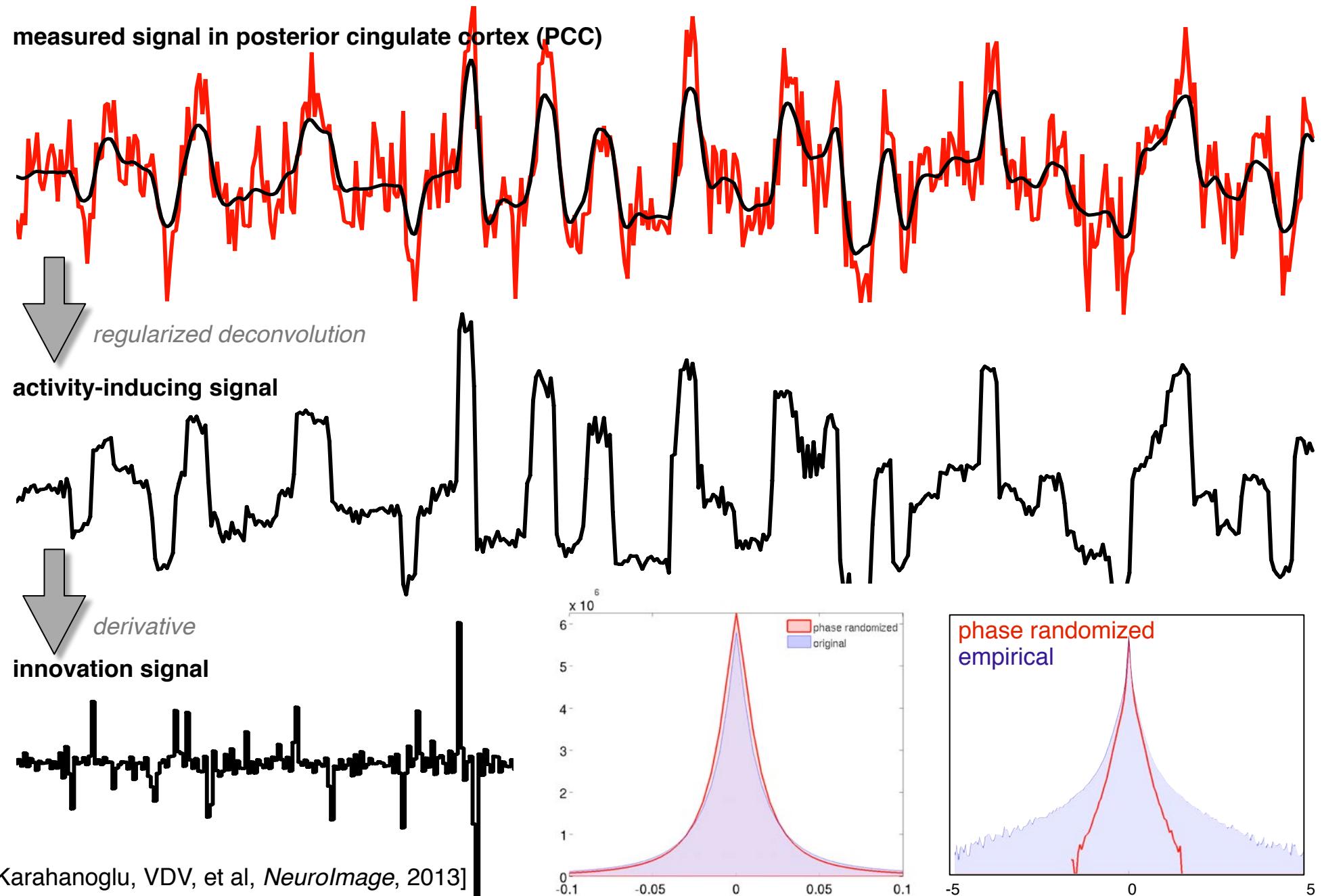
H^{-1} **First-order Volterra kernel**

$$H^{-1} = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^4 (D - \alpha_i I)}{D - \gamma I}$$

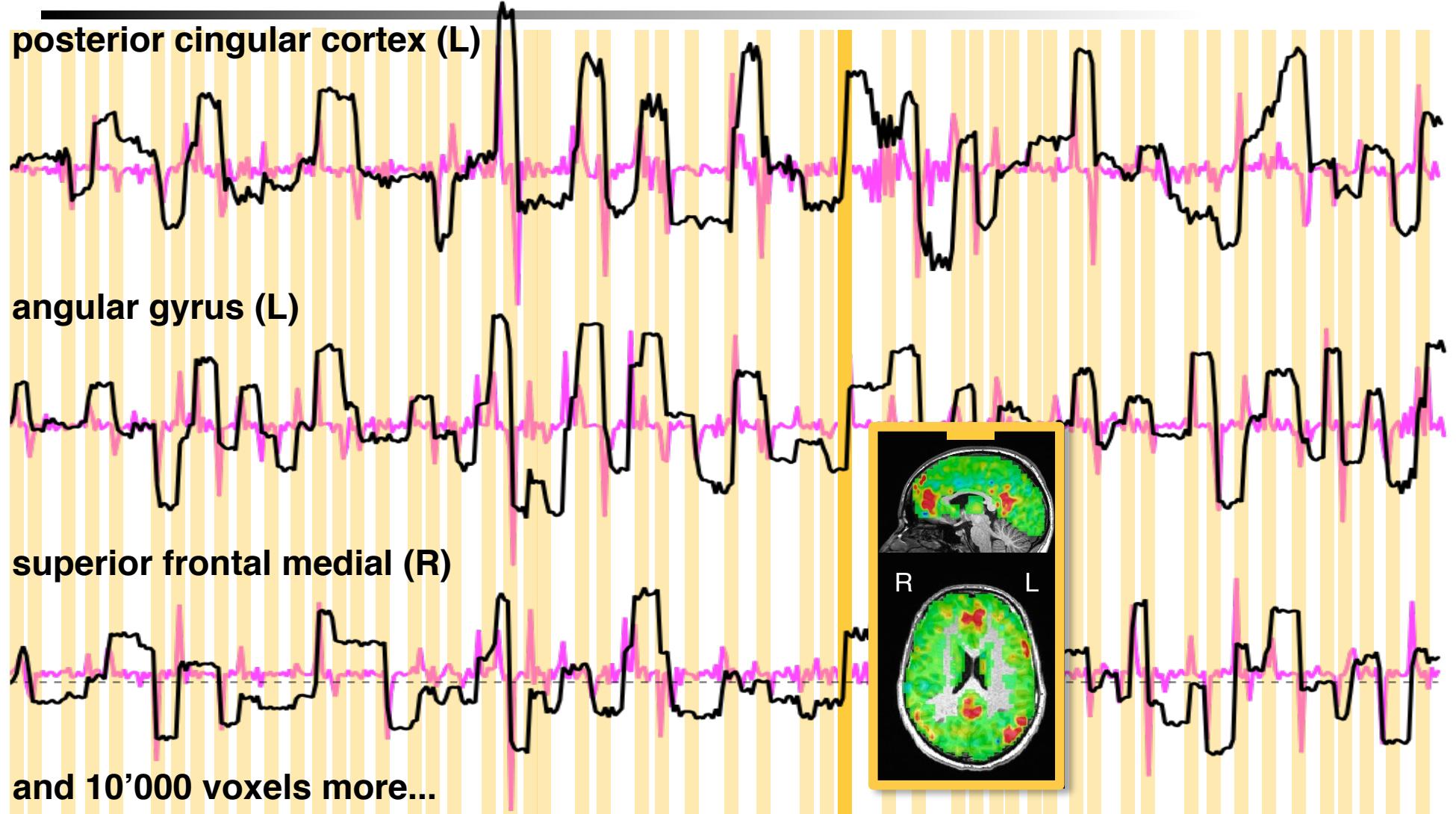
$$\vec{\alpha} = \left\{ -\frac{1}{\tau_0}, -\frac{1}{\alpha\tau_0}, -\frac{1}{2\tau_s} \left(1 \pm j\sqrt{\frac{4\tau_s^2}{\tau_f} - 1} \right) \right\},$$

$$\vec{\gamma} = \left\{ \frac{(k_1 + k_2)(\frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha\tau_0} - \frac{c}{\alpha}) - (k_3 - k_2)\frac{1}{\tau_0}}{-(k_1 + k_2)c\tau_0 - k_3 + k_2} \right\}.$$

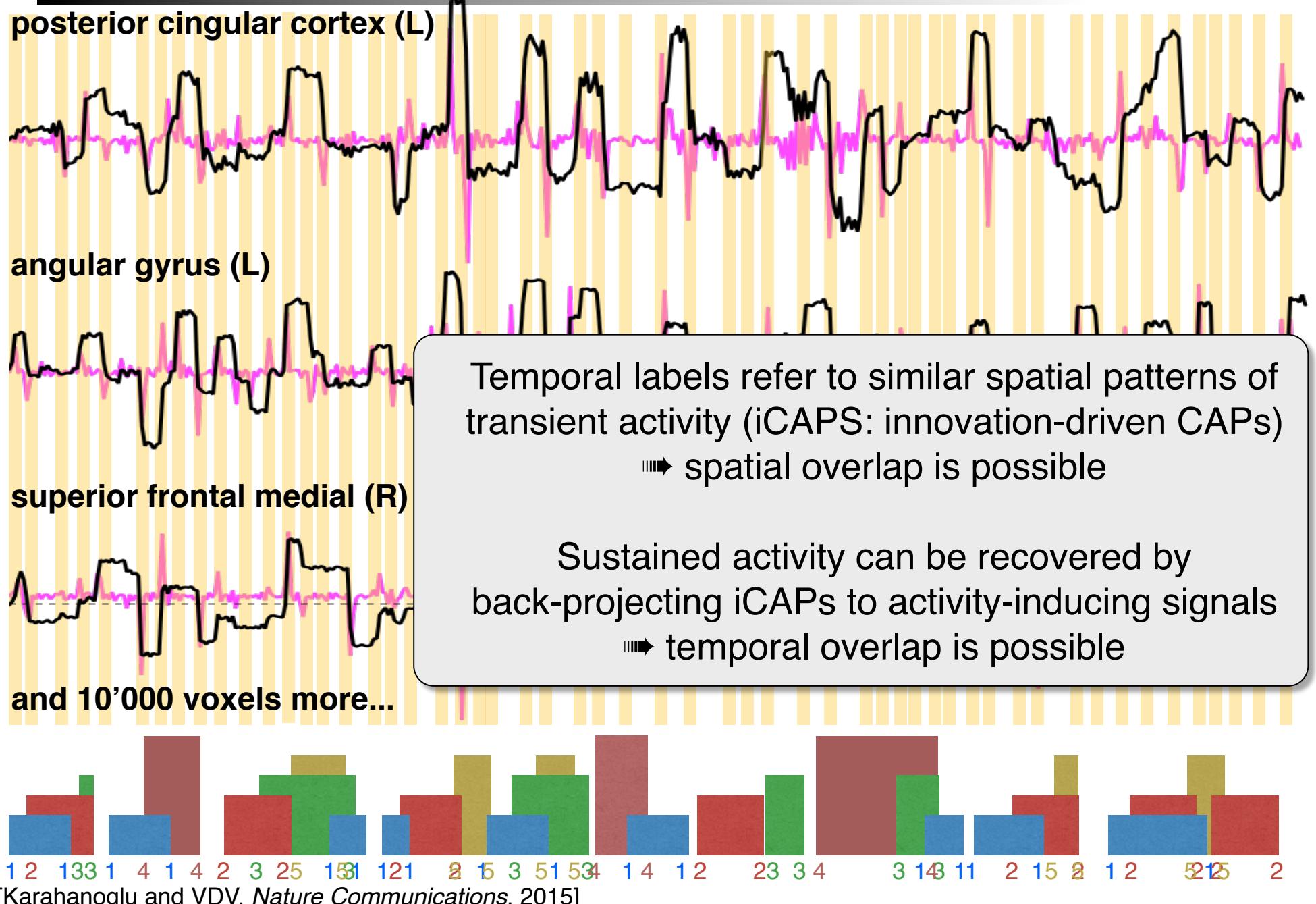
BOLD is full of innovation



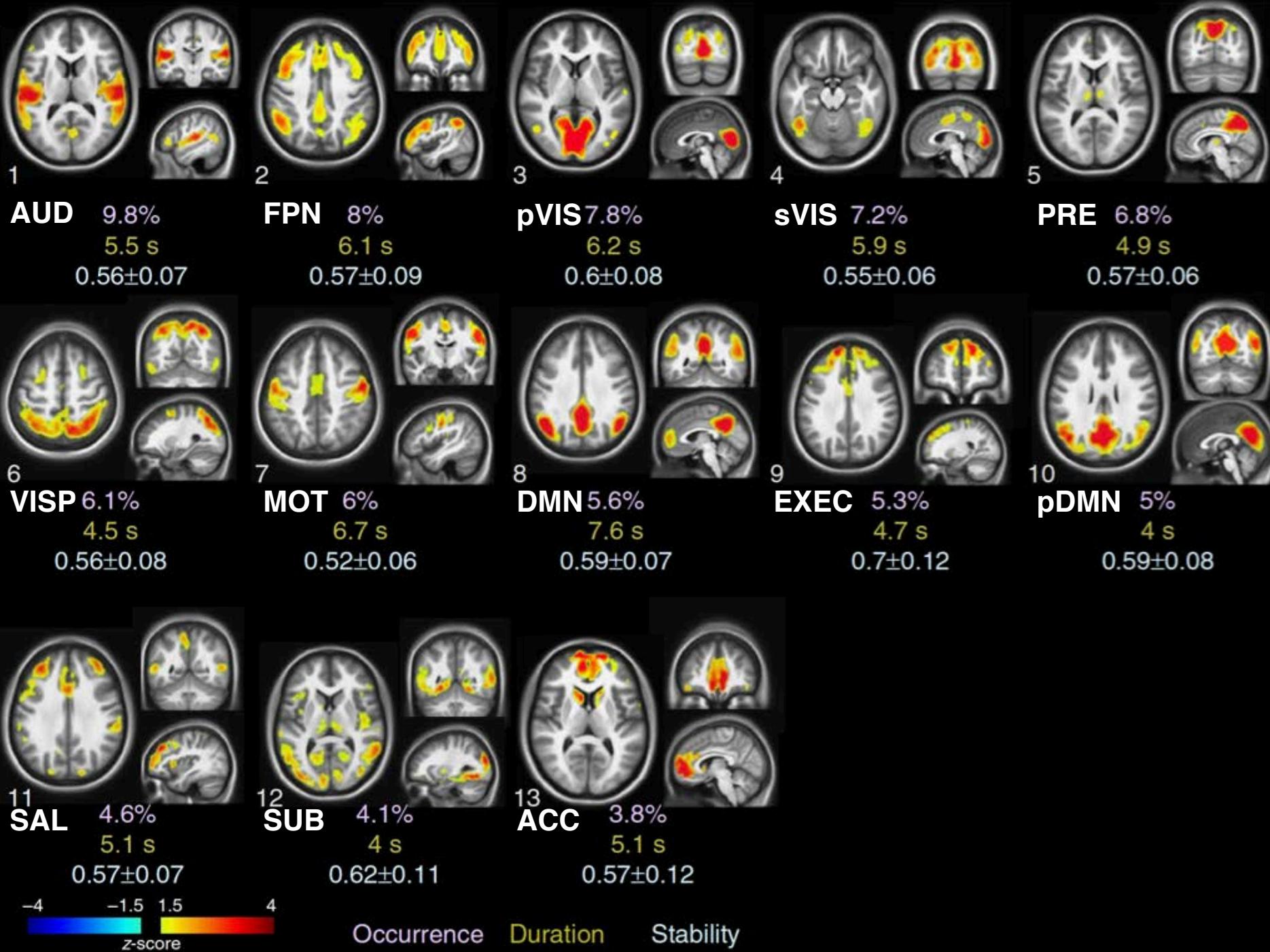
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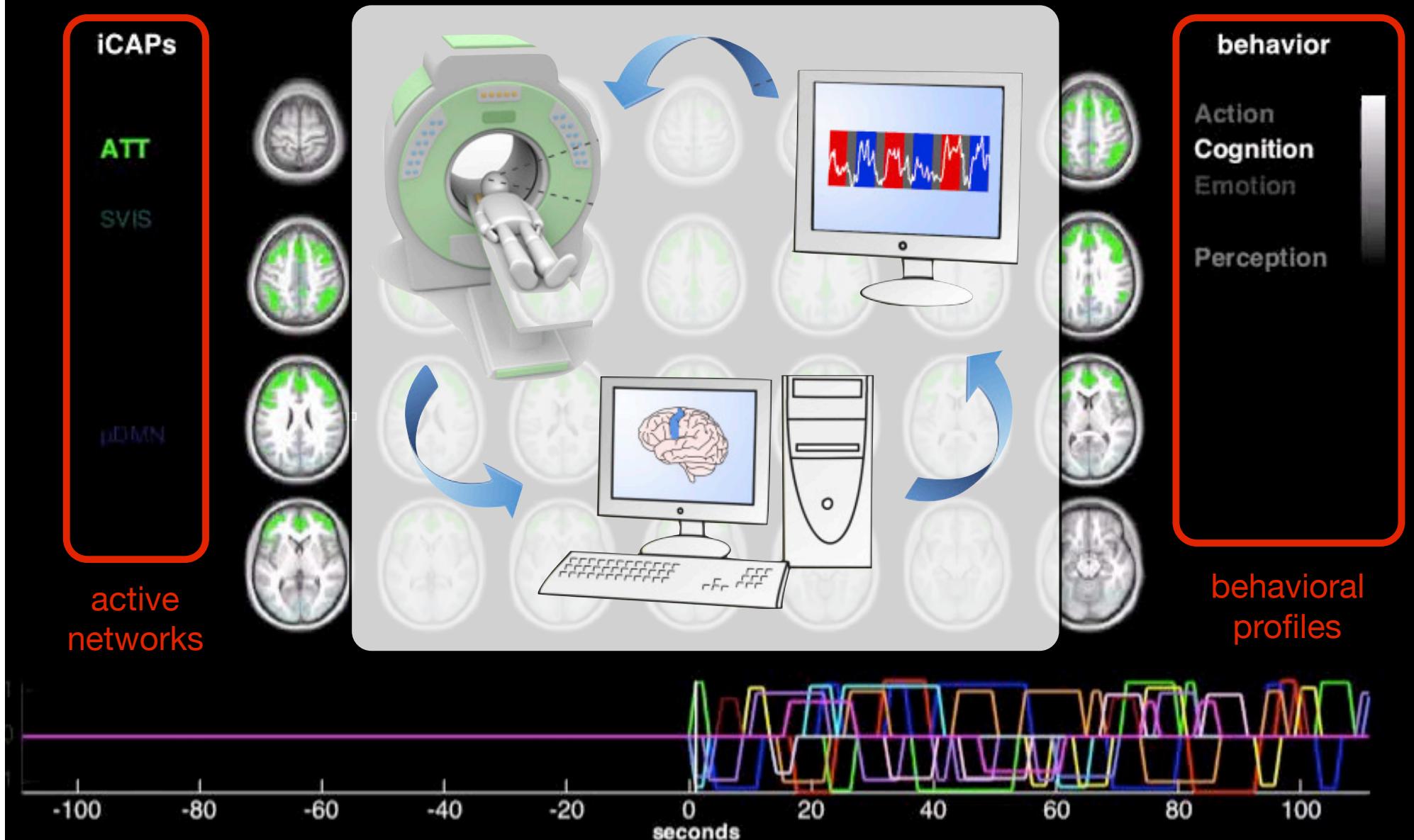
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iCAPS: innovation-driven co-activation patterns



Deciphering moment-to-moment activity



Feed the models: *Big data* in human MRI

- ... is a fact!



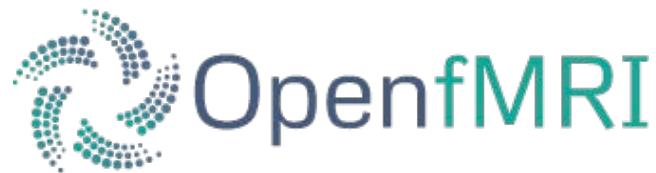
FUNCTIONAL
CONNECTOMES
PROJECT



International Neuroimaging
Data-Sharing Initiative



CamCAN
Cambridge
Centre for Ageing
and Neuroscience



OASIS



ABIDE
Autism Brain Imaging
Data Exchange



ABCDSSTUDY
Adolescent Brain Cognitive Development

Big data in human MRI already arrived

Resource	Sites	Subjects	Size	Population	sMRI	DWI	tfMRI	rfMRI
1000 FUNC CONNECTOMES PROJECT	35	1.355	~240GB	HC	x			x
ABIDE	20	1.112	~200GB	HC, ASD	x			x
ABIDE II <small>NEW Jun 2016</small>	17	1.144	~200GB	HC, ASD	x			x
ADHD-200	8	776	~160GB	HC, ADHD	x			x
ADNI	59	758	~100GB	HC, MCI, AD	x			
ADNI 2	63	850	~800GB	HC, MCI, AD	x	x		x
BIRN	10	285	~30GB	HC, SZ	x			
Cam-CAN <small>NEW Nov 2016</small>	1	653	~1TB	HC	x	x	x	x
HCP	2	900	52TB	HC	x	x	x	x
Other INDI retrospective	8	568	~1TB	HC, EP, SZ, COC	x	x	x	x
Other INDI prospective	8	467	~500GB	HC	x	x		x
NKI-RS	1	921	1.2TB	HC	x	x	x	x
OASIS	2	566	70GB	HC, AD	x			
OpenfMRI	55	1.941	~2TB	HC, SZ	x	x	x	
ABCD Project	21	10.000		HC (9-10y)	x	x	x	x
UK Biobank		10.000		HC	x	x	x	x

- Open data of thousands of subjects!...

Adapted and updated from [Poldrack and Gorgolewski, Nature Neuroscience, 2014]

Take home message

- Dynamics of resting-state fMRI
 - Is *not* about oscillations, but about *transients!*
 - basically a “broadband” feature...
notice that a transient has a “deterministic” 1/f spectrum!
 - Clear transient behavior is recovered
 - Massive spatial and temporal overlap
 - “The human association cortex consists of multiple, interdigitated large-scale networks, that, while partially overlapping, possess predominantly parallel organization. ... Our (essential) correlational analyses will miss vital details of dynamics of network interactions.”
-- *B.T. Thomas Yeo et al, NeuroImage, 2014*
- Perspectives
 - Tracking of brain states
 - Naturalistic stimuli/tasks; neurofeedback
 - Towards new markers for brain function and dysfunction
 - Benefit from “big MRI data” in health and disease

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