

# Posterior Probability Maps



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# Overview

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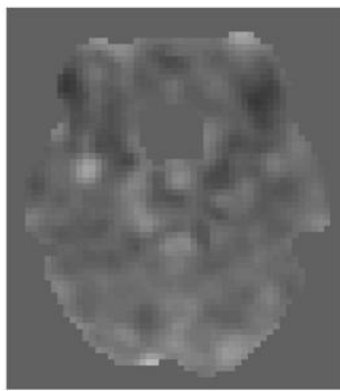
# Smoothness Priors

$$Y = X\beta + \varepsilon$$

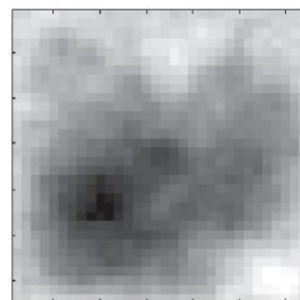
$$p(\beta) = N(0, \alpha^{-1}L)$$



aMRI



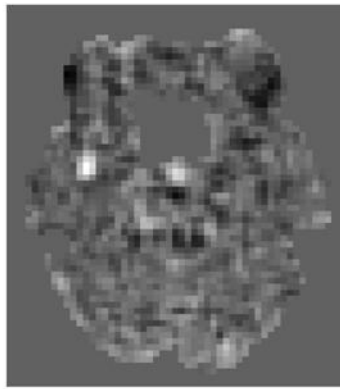
Smooth  $Y$



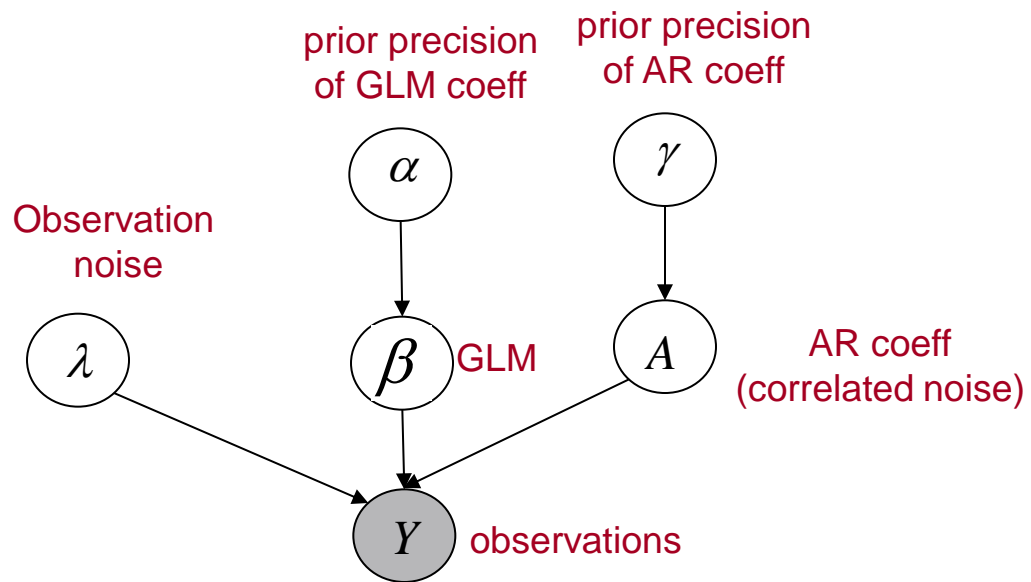
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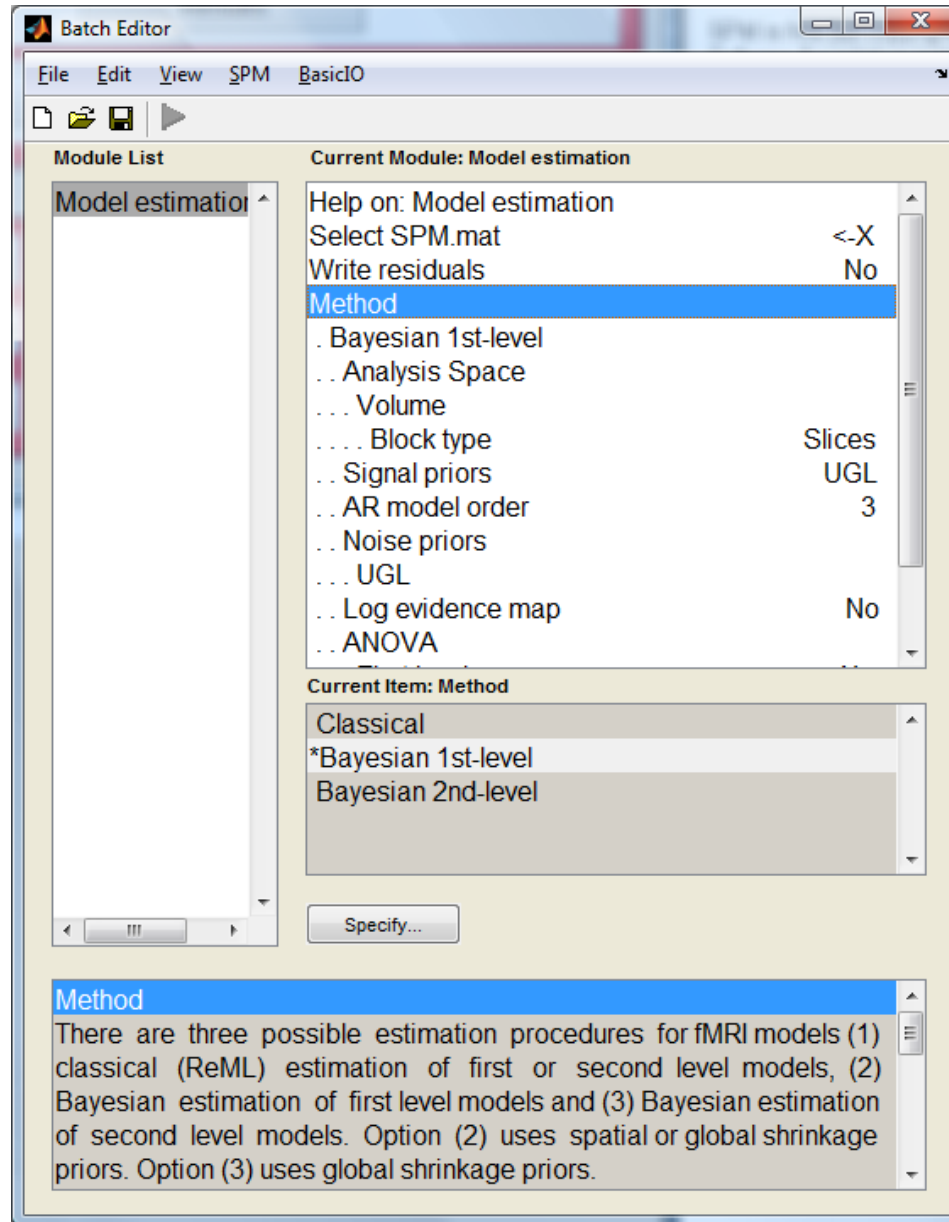
ML



Posterior



# SPM



# Choice of Priors

*Stationary smoothness:*

W.D. Penny, N. Trujillo-Barreto, and K.J. Friston. **Bayesian fMRI time series analysis with spatial priors.** *NeuroImage*, 24(2):350-362, 2005.

*Nonstationary smoothness:*

L M Harrison, W Penny, J Daunizeau, and K J Friston.  
**Diffusion-based spatial priors for functional magnetic resonance images.** *Neuroimage*, 41(2):408-23, 2008.

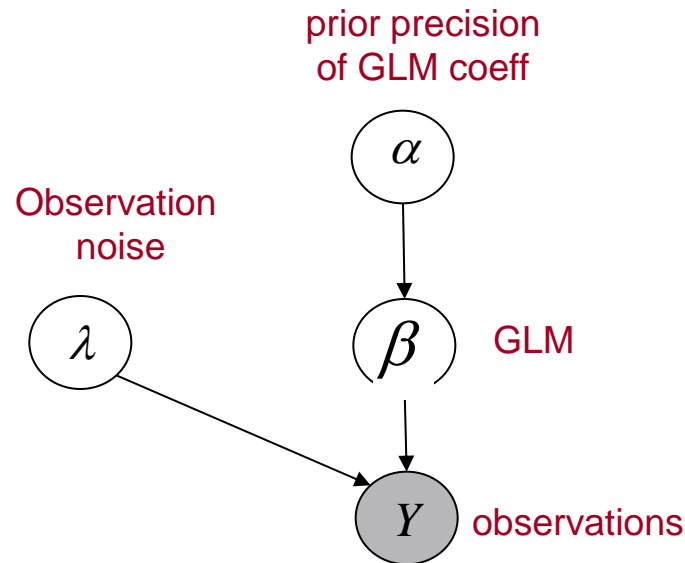
*Global Shrinkage:*

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# Global Shrinkage Priors

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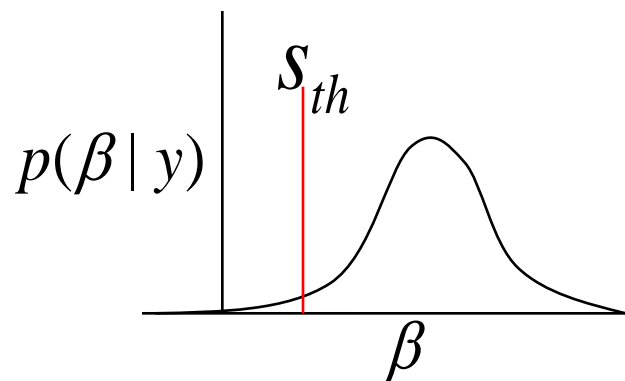
# Posterior

**Posterior distribution:** probability of the effect given the data

$$p(\beta | y)$$

**Posterior Probability Map:** images of the probability that an activation exceeds some specified threshold  $s_{th}$ , given the data  $y$

$$p(\beta > s_{th} | y) > p_{th}$$



**Two thresholds:**

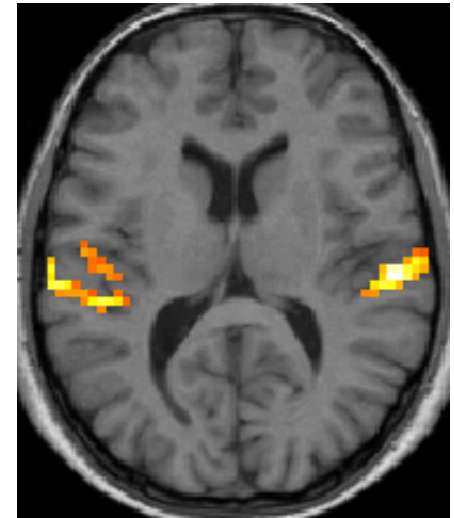
- activation threshold  $s_{th}$  : percentage of whole brain mean signal (physiologically relevant size of effect)
- probability  $p_{th}$  that voxels must exceed to be displayed (e.g. 95%)

# PPM

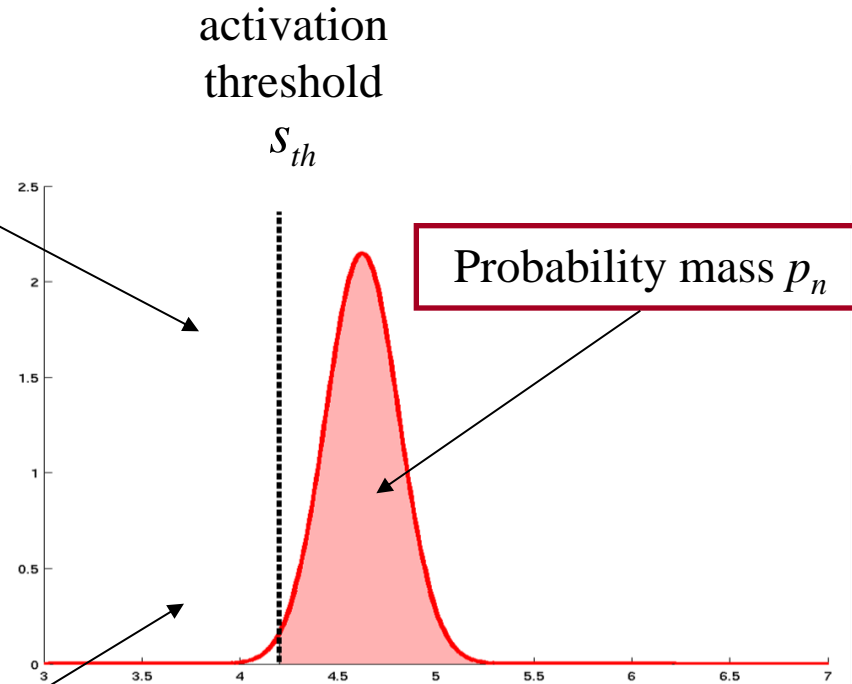
Display only voxels that exceed e.g. 95%

$$p > p_{th}$$

$$p = q(\beta > s_{th})$$



PPM (*spmP\_\*.img*)



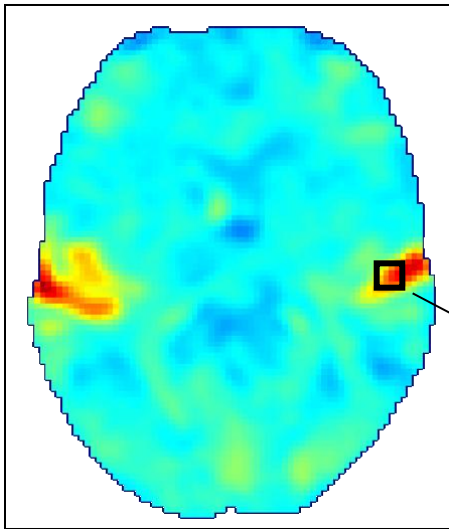
Posterior density  $q(\beta_n)$

probability of getting an effect, given the data

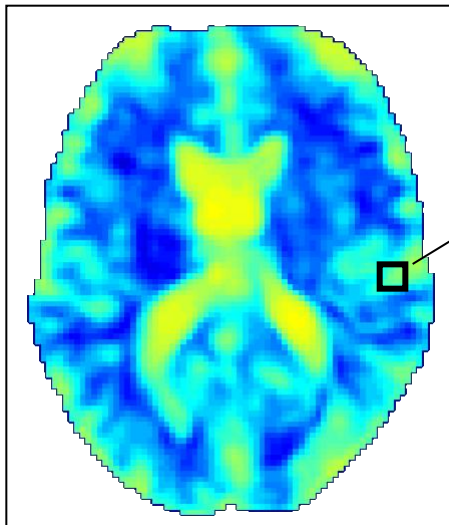
$$q(\beta_n) = N(\mu_n, \Sigma_n)$$

mean: *size of effect*

covariance: *uncertainty*



Mean (*Cbeta\_\*.img*)



Std dev (*SDbeta\_\*.img*)



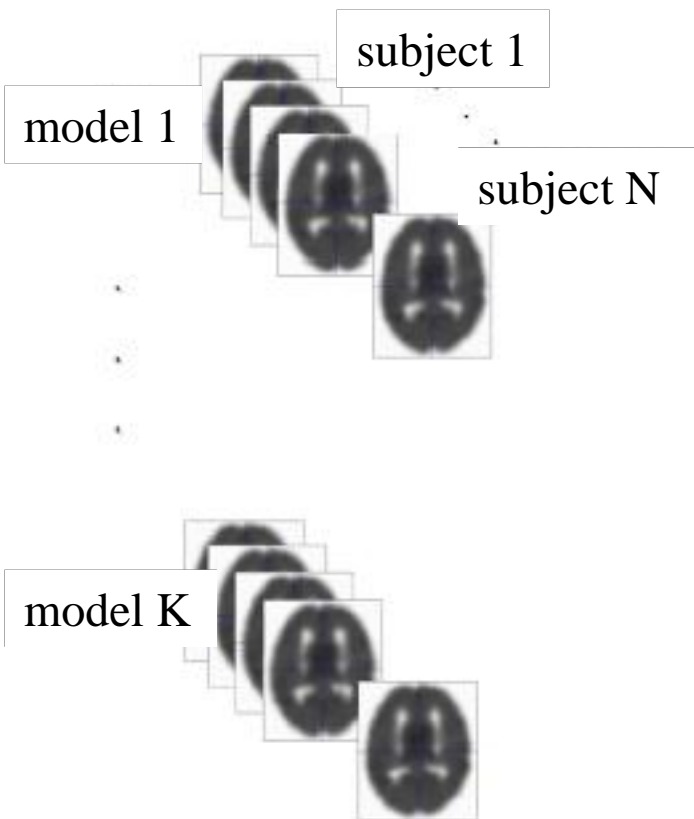
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# Model Inference

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## Log-Evidence Maps

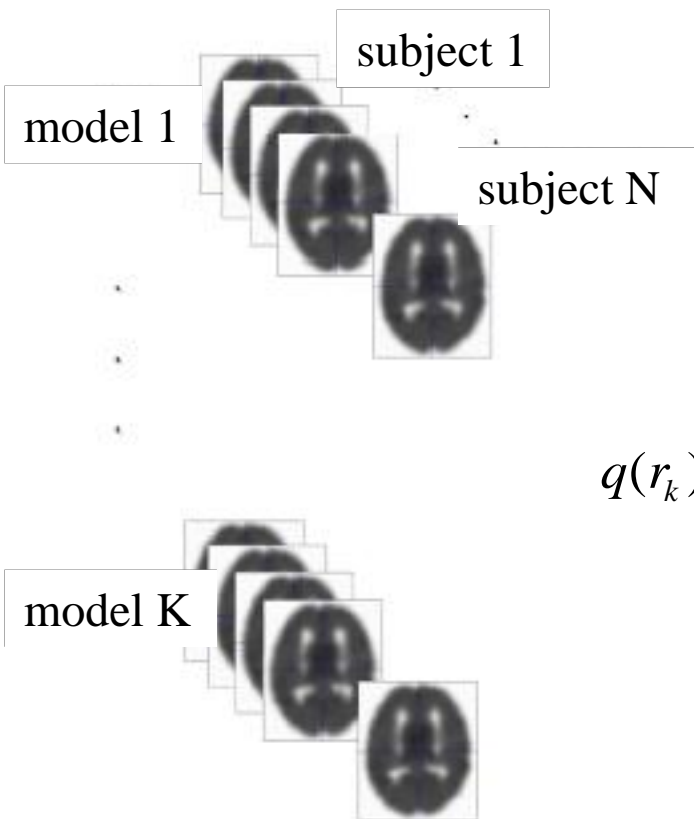


Compute log-evidence map  
for each model/subject

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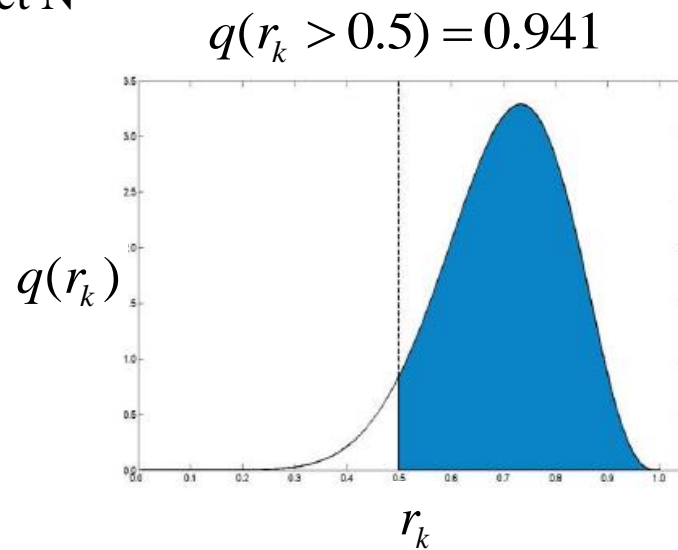
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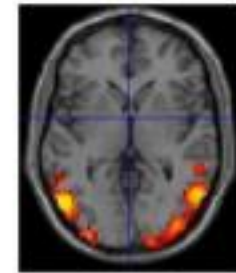
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BMS maps



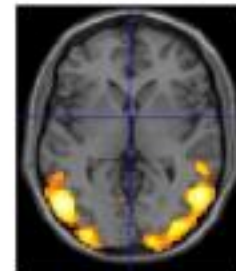
Probability that model  $k$  generated data

$$\langle r_k \rangle > \gamma$$



PPM

$$\varphi_k > \gamma$$



EPM

model  $k$

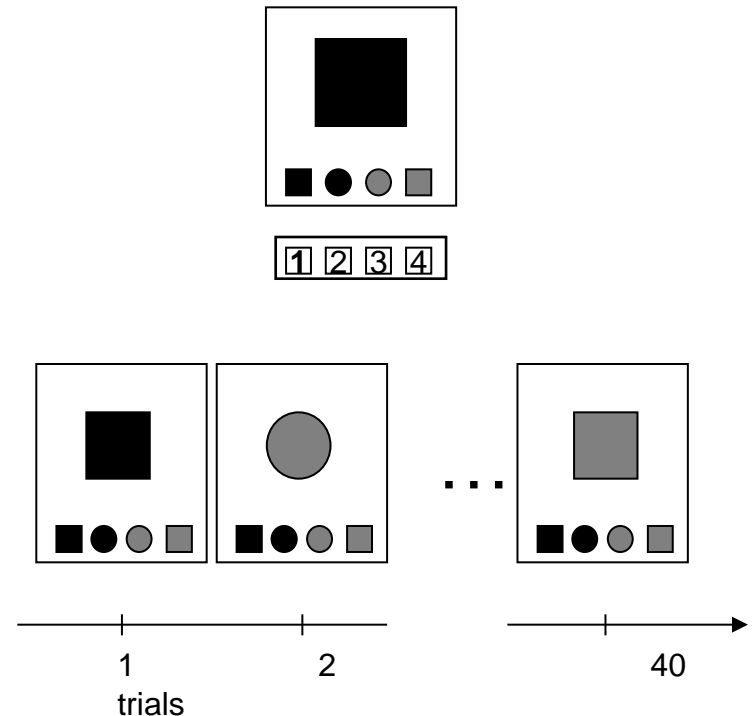
# Computational fMRI

Subjects pressed 1 of 4 buttons depending on the category of visual stimulus.

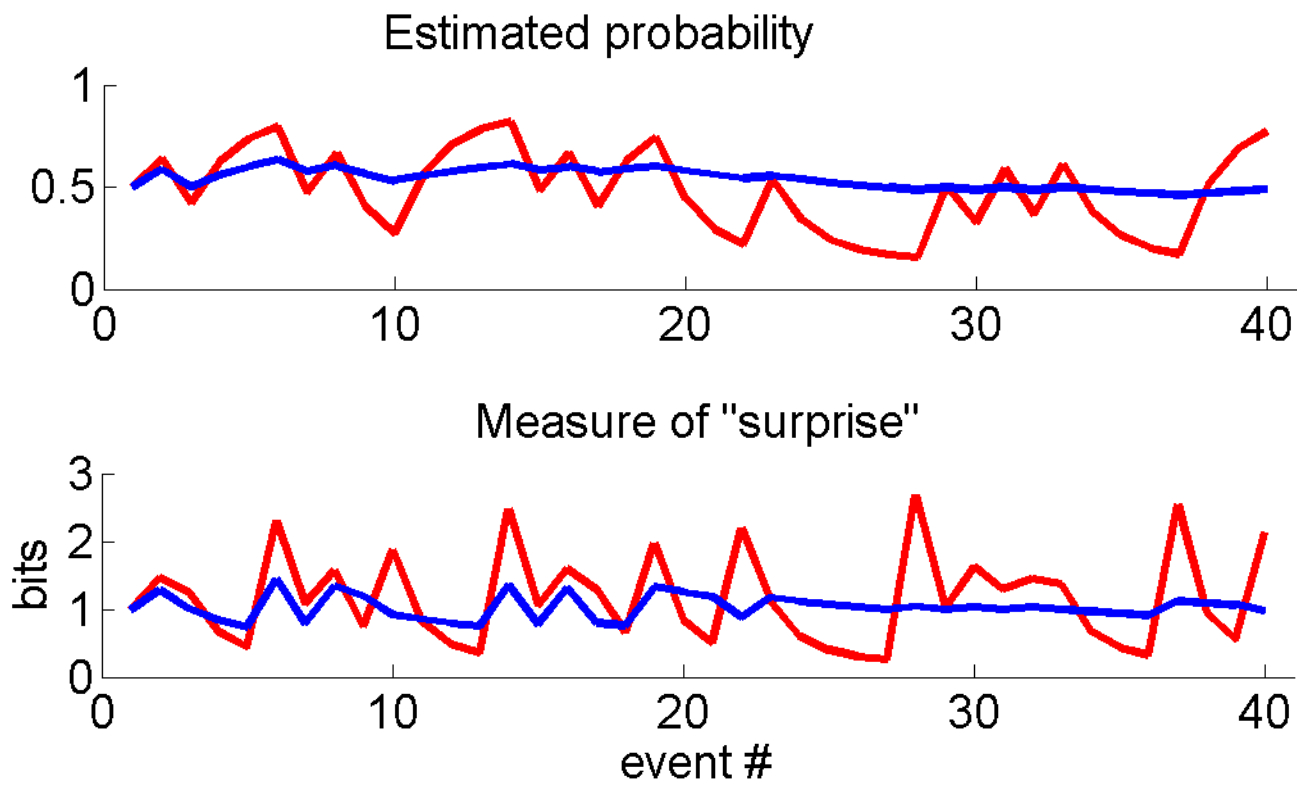
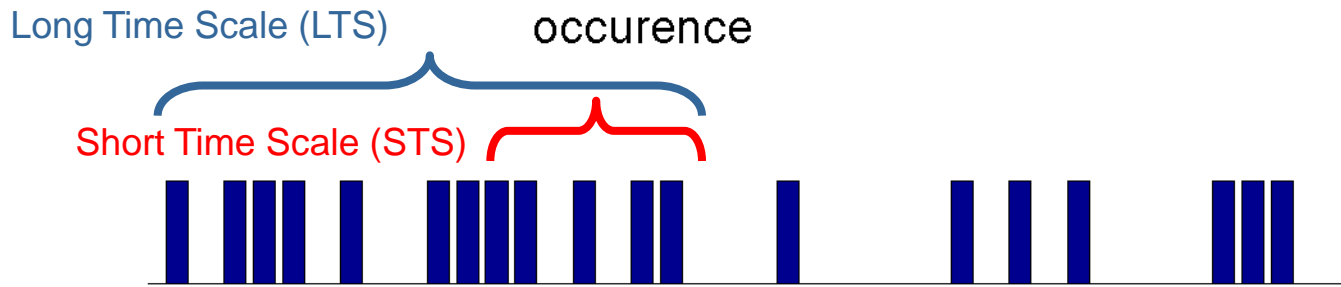
The 4 categories of stimuli occurred with different frequencies over a session.

Brain responses are then hypothesised to be proportional to the surprise,  $S$ , associated with each stimulus where  $S = \log(1/p)$ .

But over what time scale is the probability  $p$  estimated? And do different brain regions use different time scales?

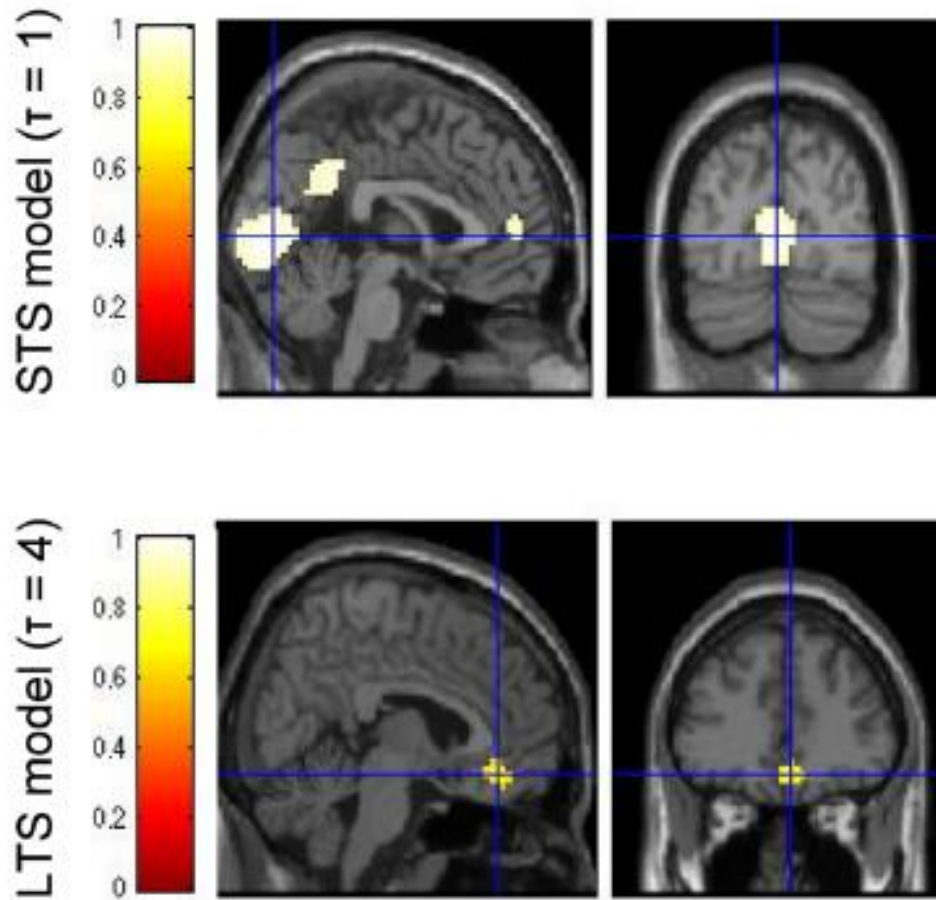


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Enter surprise as a Parametric Modulator in first level GLM analysis.  
 Which surprise variable (STS or LTS) underlies the best model of fMRI responses?

# Exceedance Probability Maps



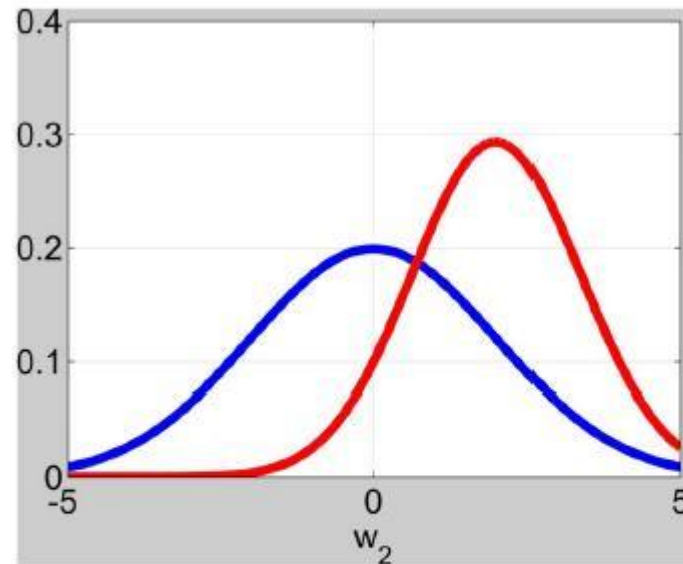
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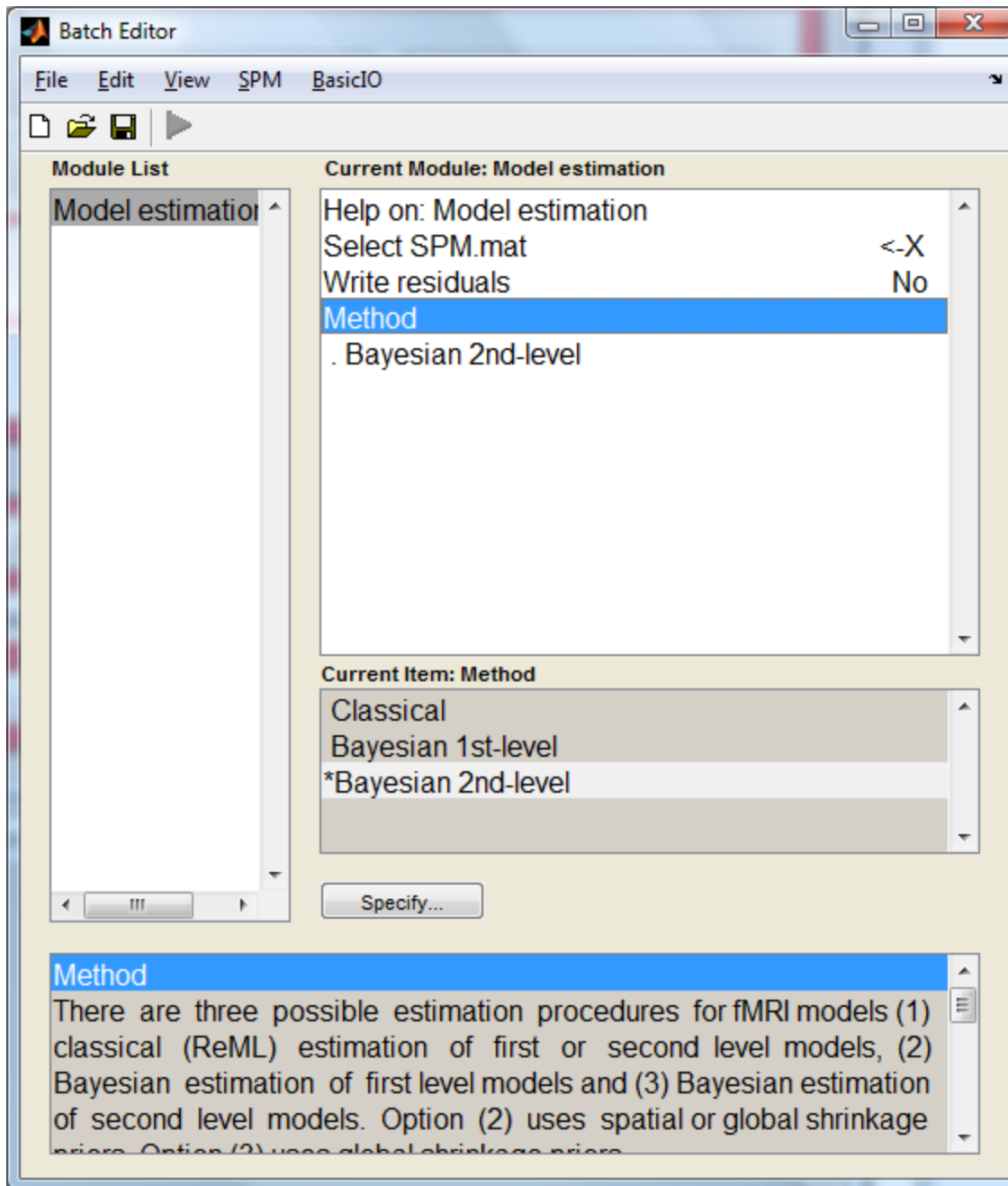
Bayesian equivalent of inference using F-tests implemented using Savage-Dickey approximations to the log Bayes Factor.



**Figure 1.** The figure shows the prior density  $p(w_2|m_2)$  in blue and the posterior density  $p(w_2|m_2, y)$  in red. Here  $BF_{12} = 0.5$ , weakly favouring the more complex model  $m_2$ , since the parameter  $w_2$  is half as likely to be zero after seeing the data than before.

W. Penny and G. Ridgway (2013). **Efficient Posterior Probability Mapping using Savage-Dickey Ratios.** *PLoS One* 8(3), e59655



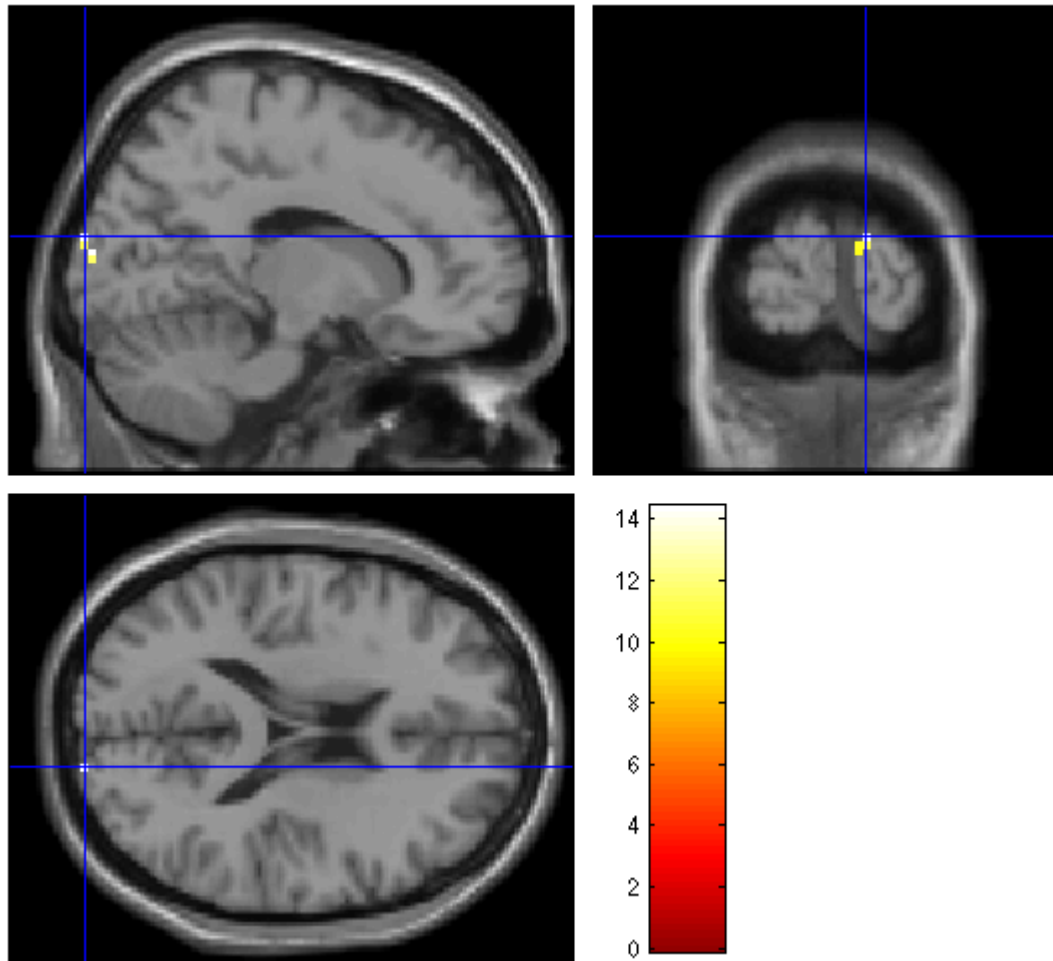


# Faces versus scrambled faces

**SPMresults:** .\faces-2nd-level\spm-ppm

Height threshold Log Odds > 10

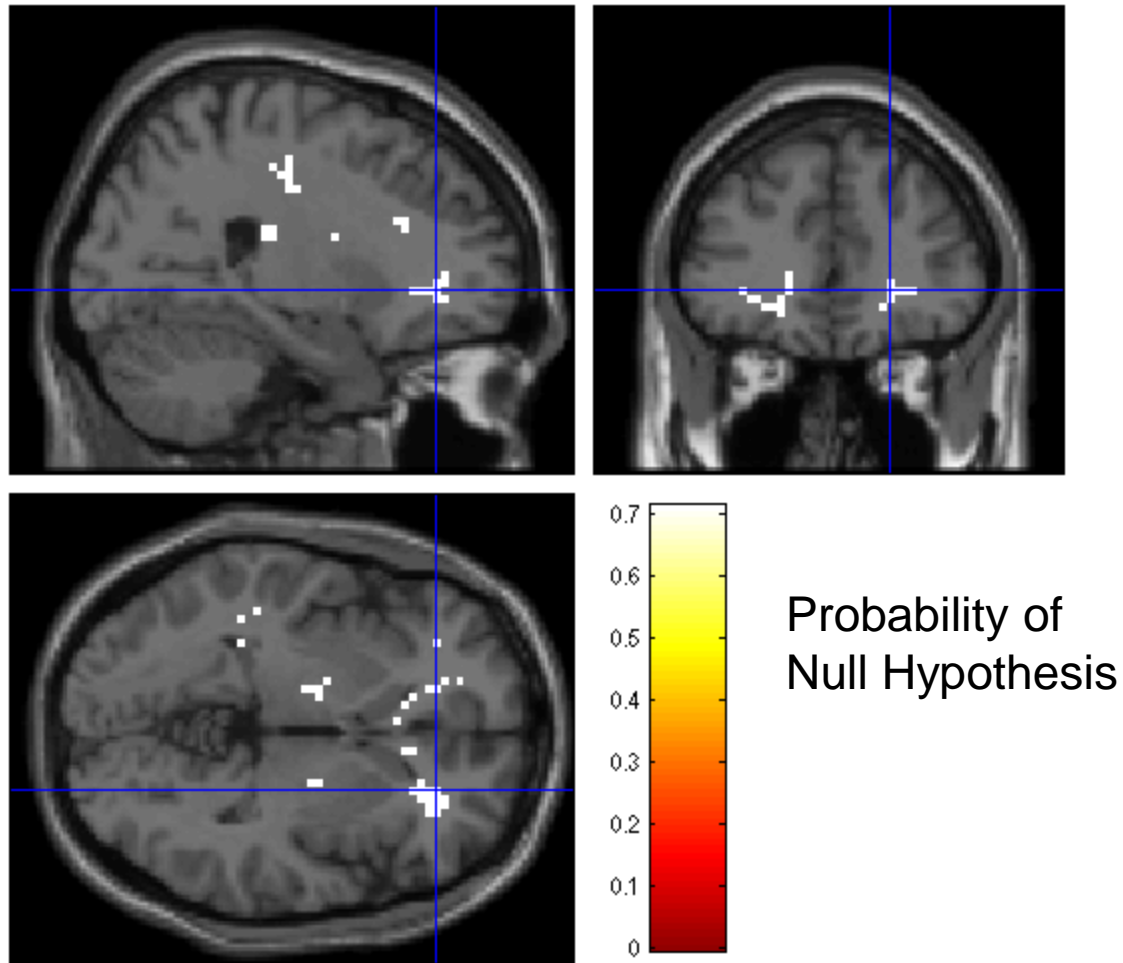
Extent threshold k = 0 voxels



*RFX analysis  
on 18 subjects.*

*Data from  
Rik Henson.*

# Faces versus scrambled faces: Evidence for Null

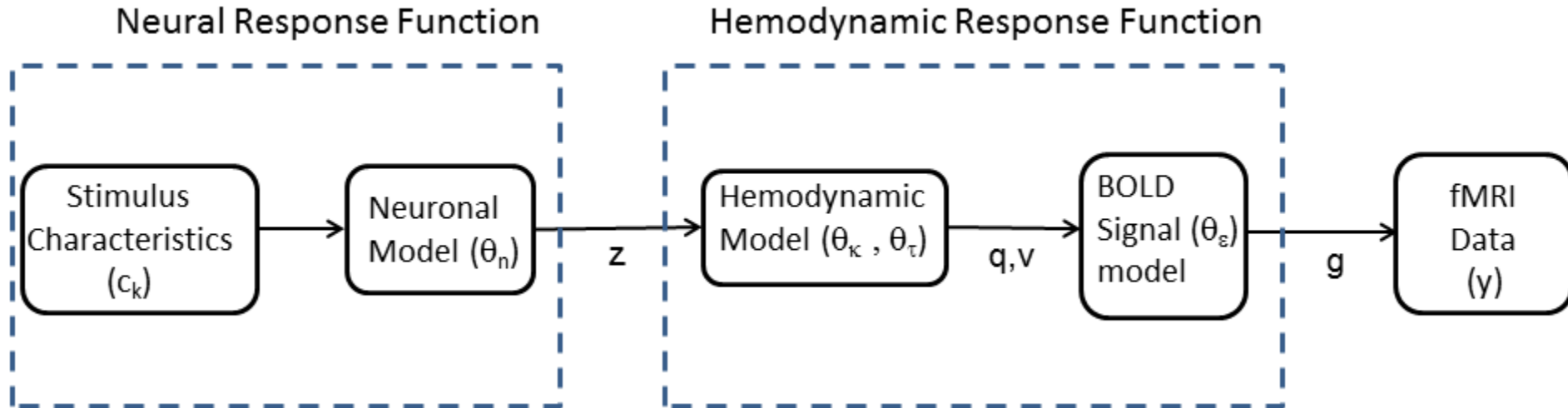


Using command line call to `spm_bms_test_null.m`

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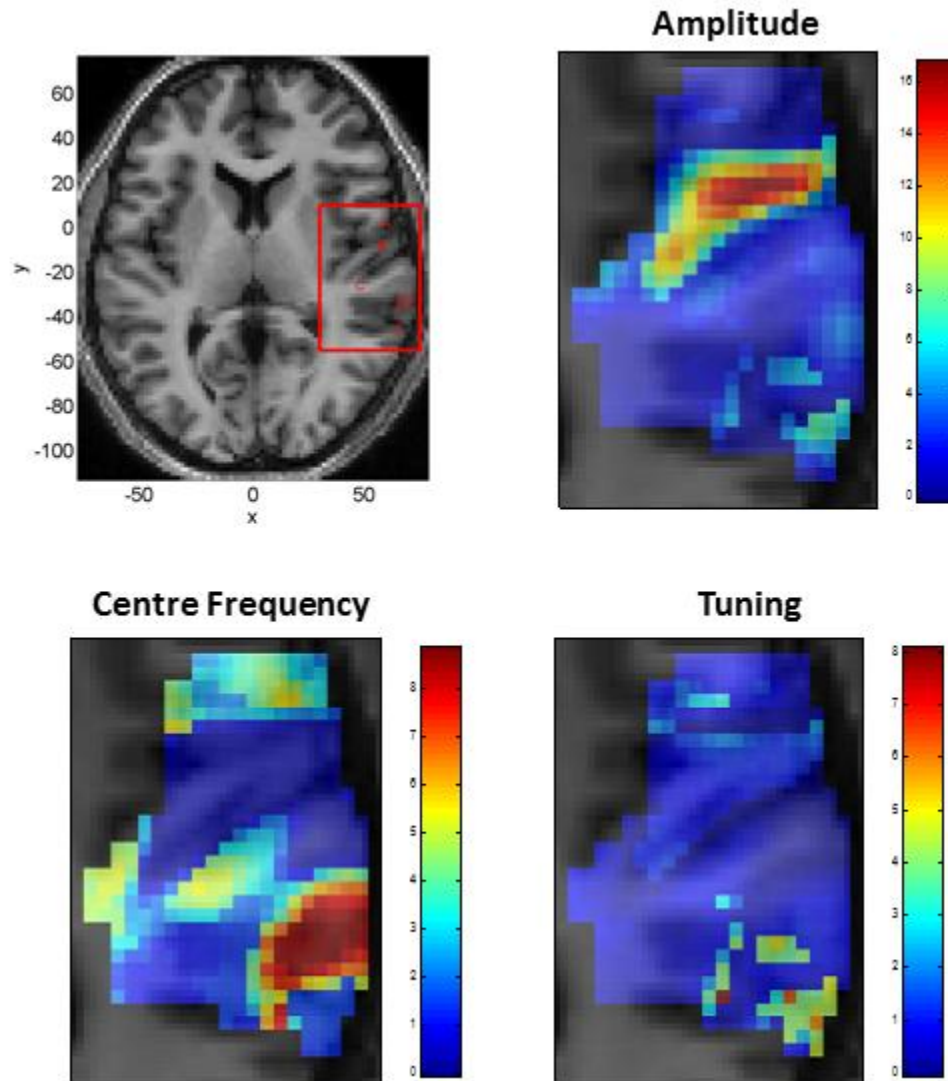
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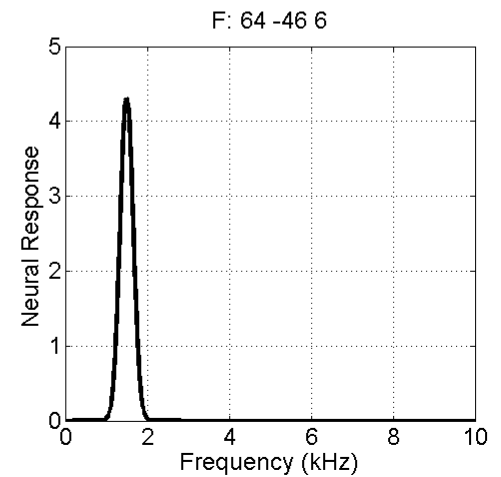
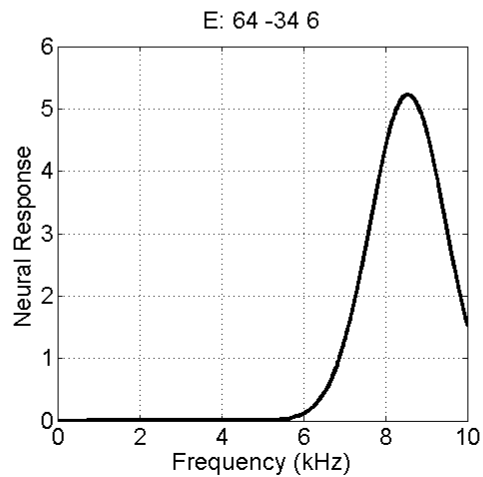
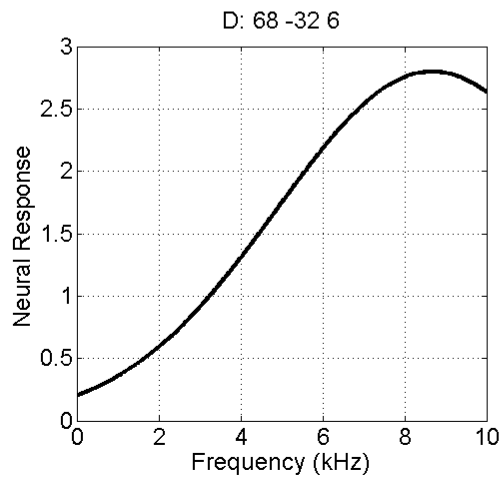
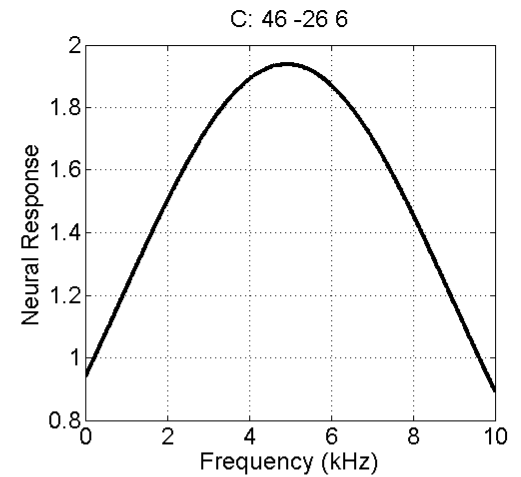
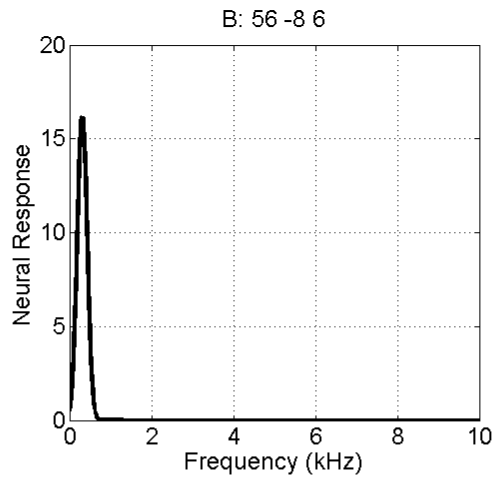
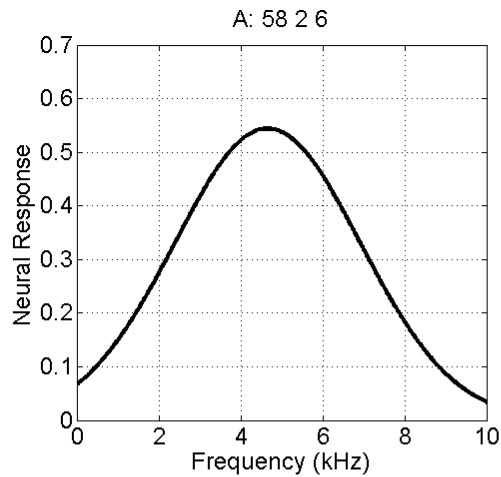


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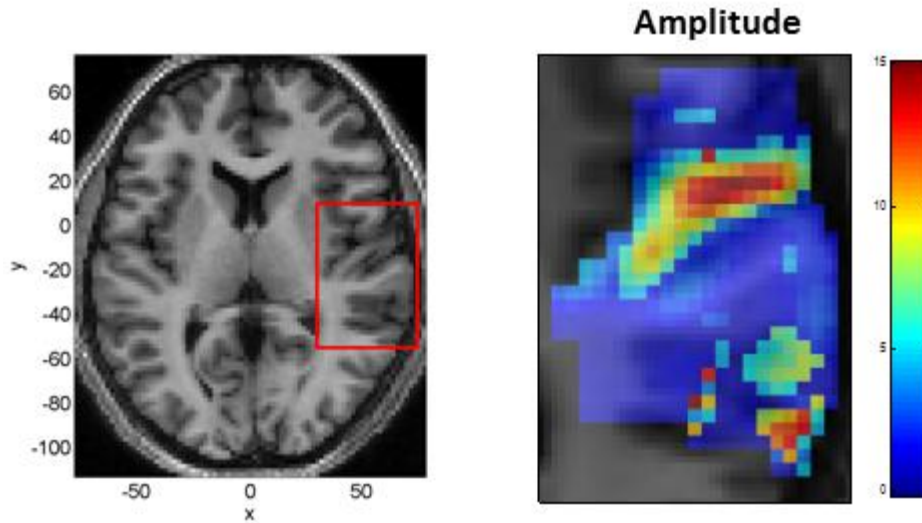
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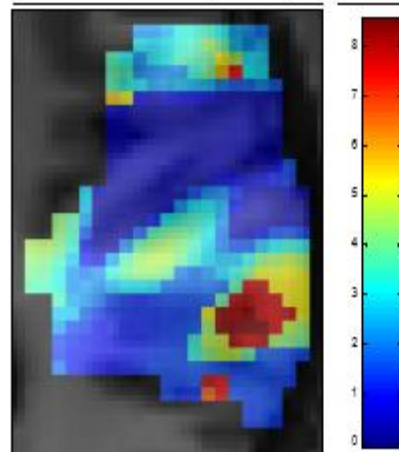
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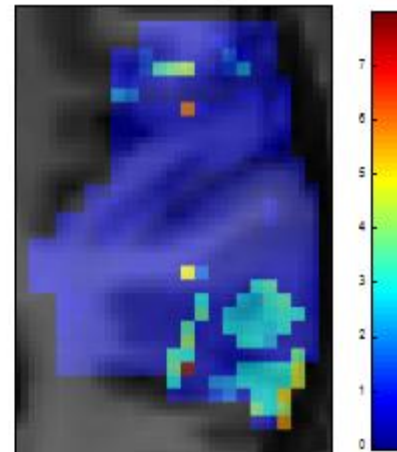
# Mexican-Hat Population Receptive Fields



**Centre Frequency**

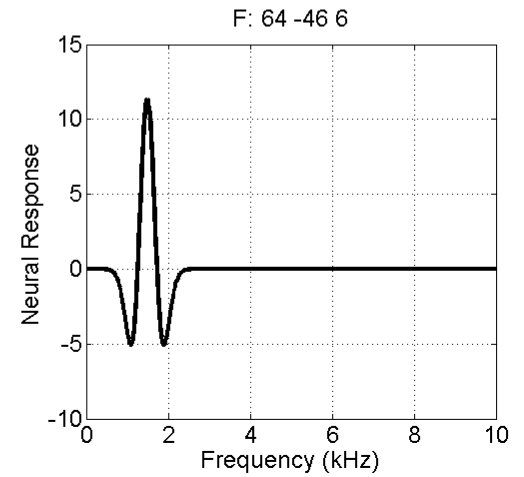
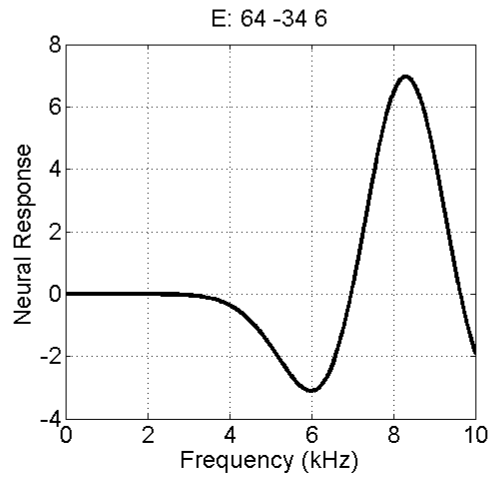
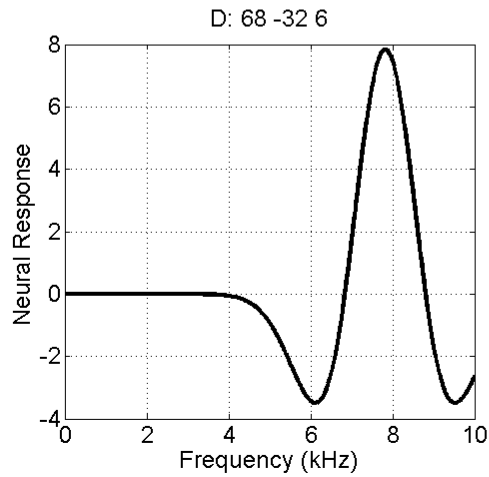
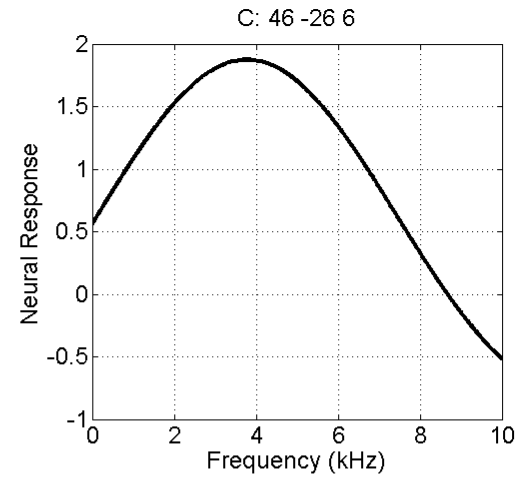
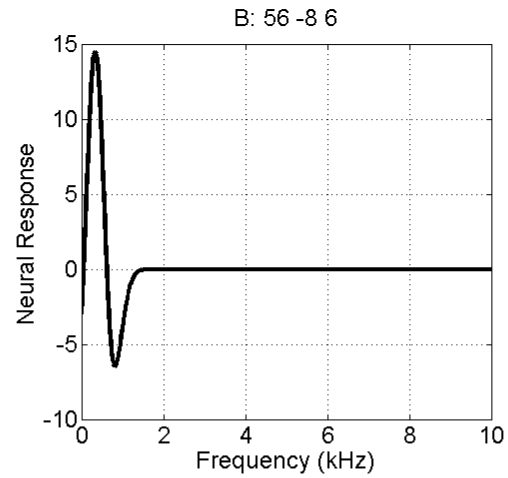
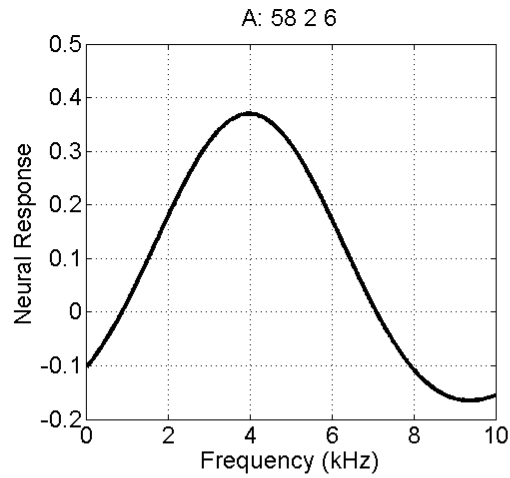


**Tuning**

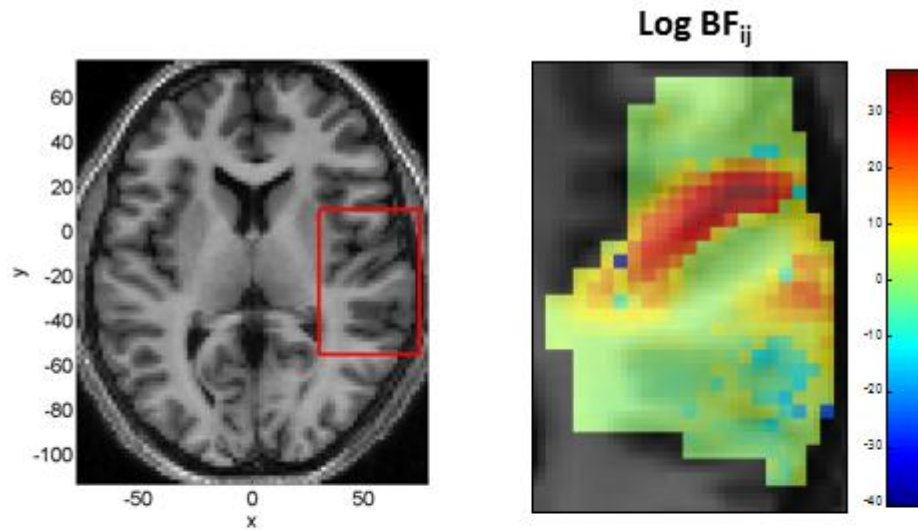




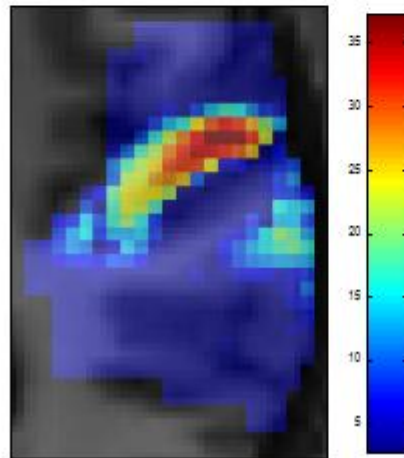
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# Which Parametric Function is a Better Descriptor ?

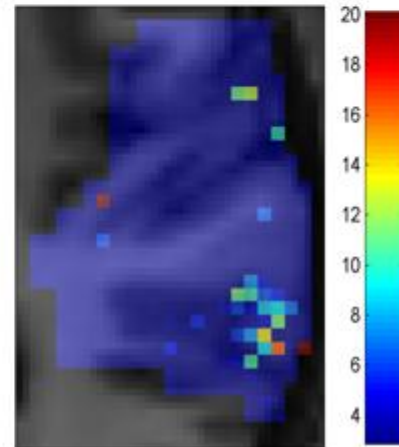


$\text{Log BF}_{ij} > 3$



Gaussian →

$\text{Log BF}_{ji} > 3$



Mexican-Hat ↙

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