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Linear Models – Contrasts

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Plan

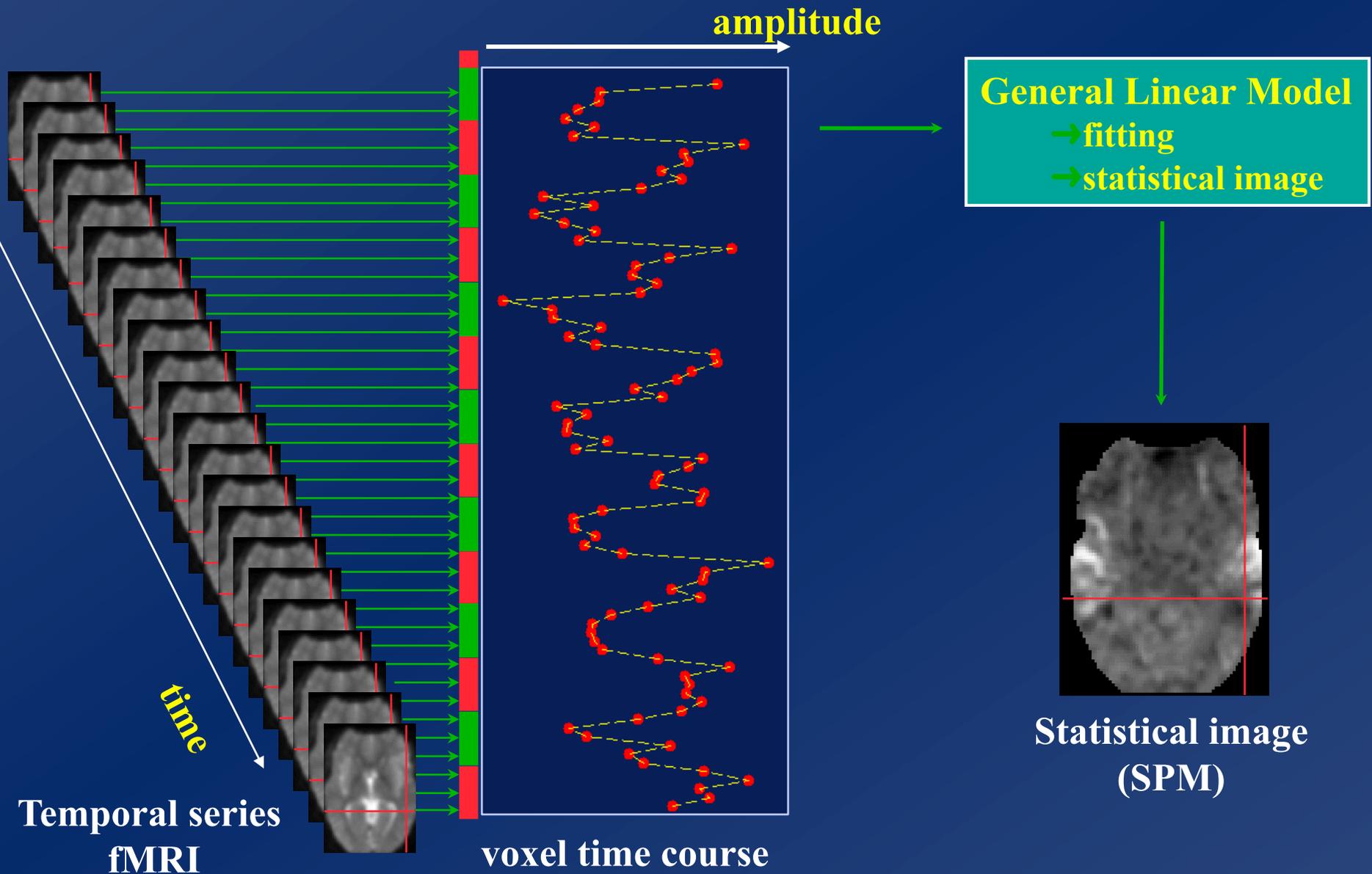
► *REPEAT: model and fitting the data with a Linear Model*

► *Make sure we understand the testing procedures : t - and F -tests*

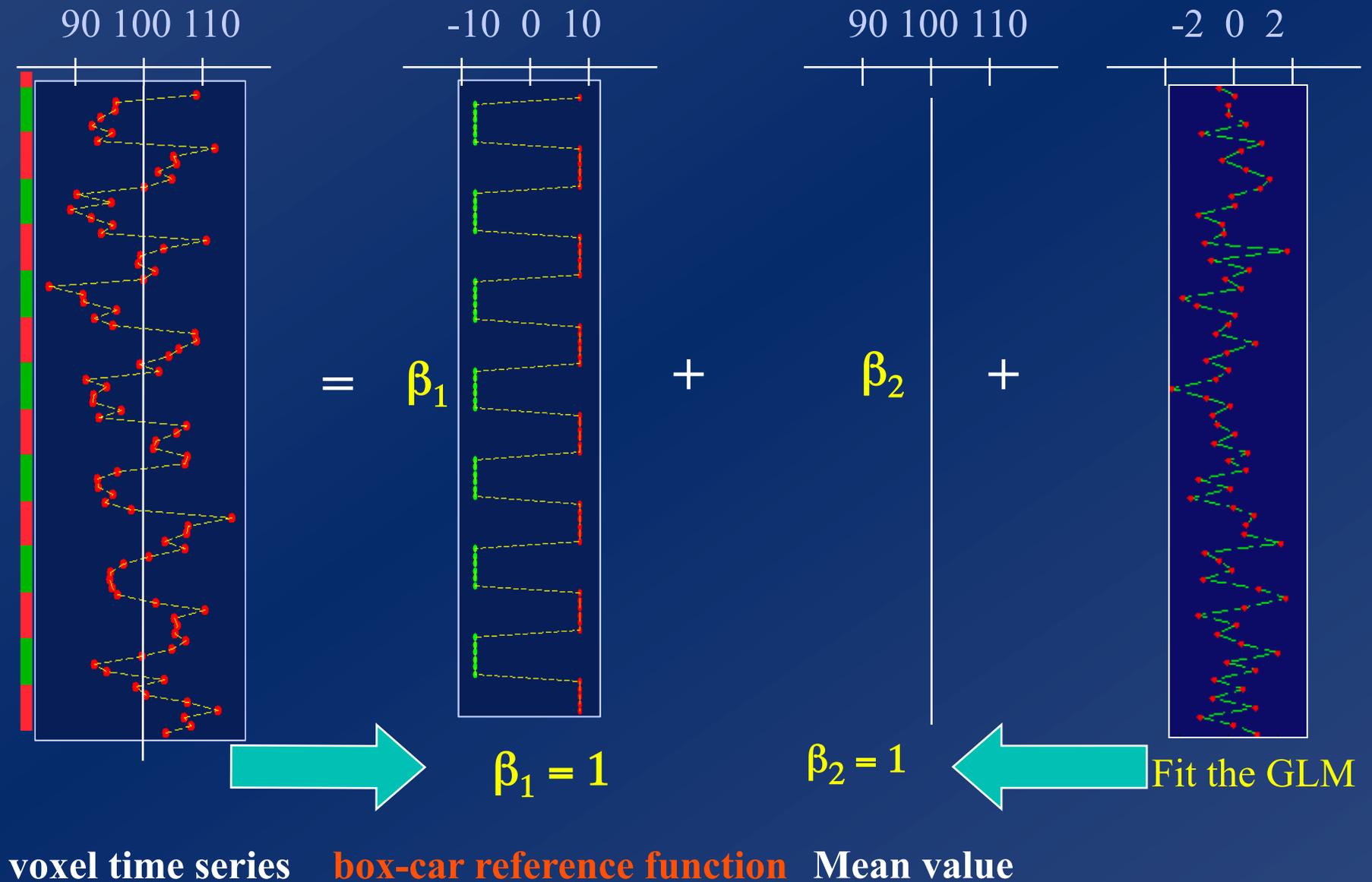
► *But what do we test exactly ?*

► *Examples – almost real*

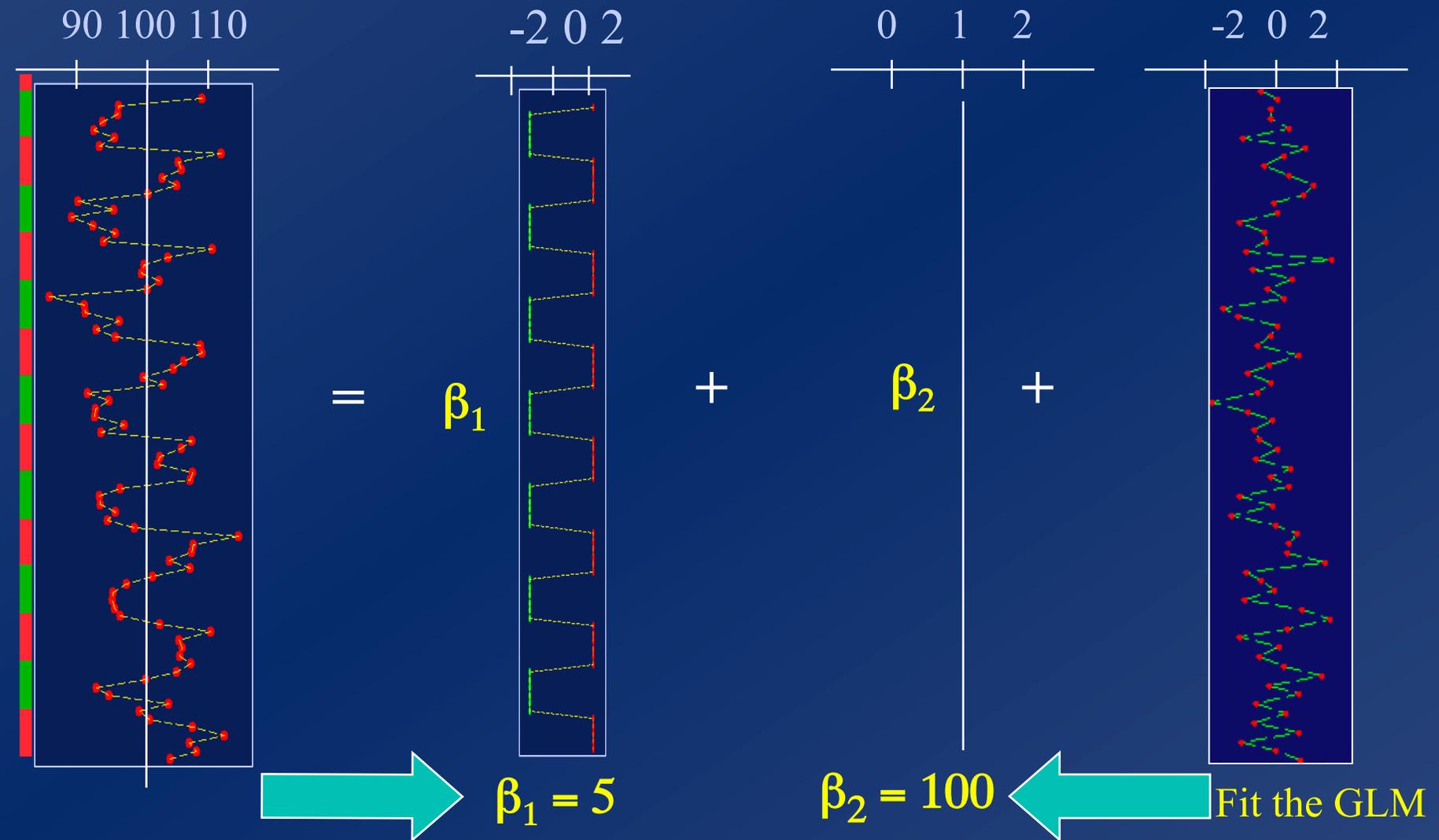
One voxel = One test (t, F, ...)



Regression example...



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voxel time series

box-car reference function

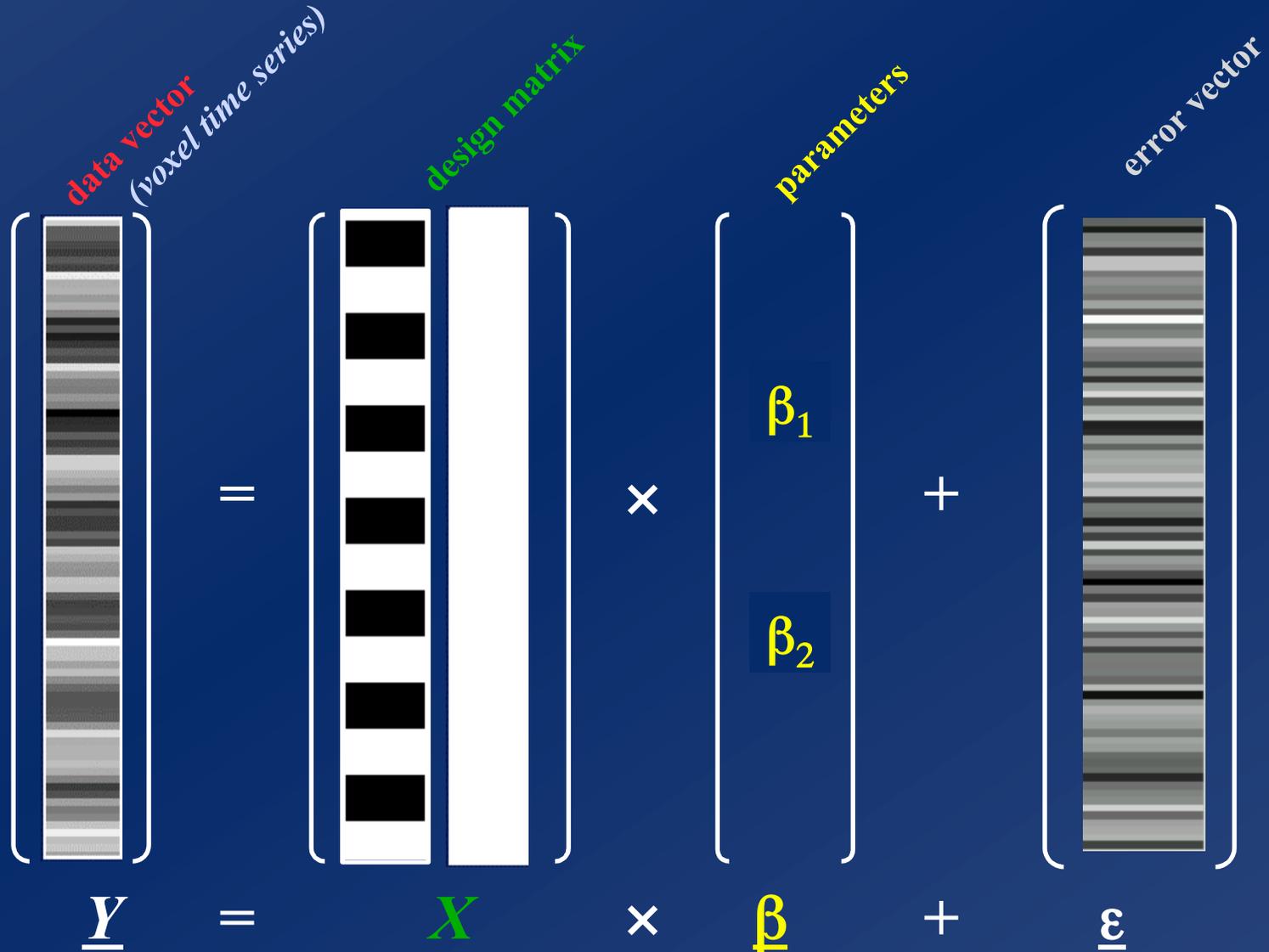
Mean value

...revisited : matrix form

$$Y = \beta_1 \times f(t) + \beta_2 \times 1 + \epsilon$$

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Box car regression: design matrix...



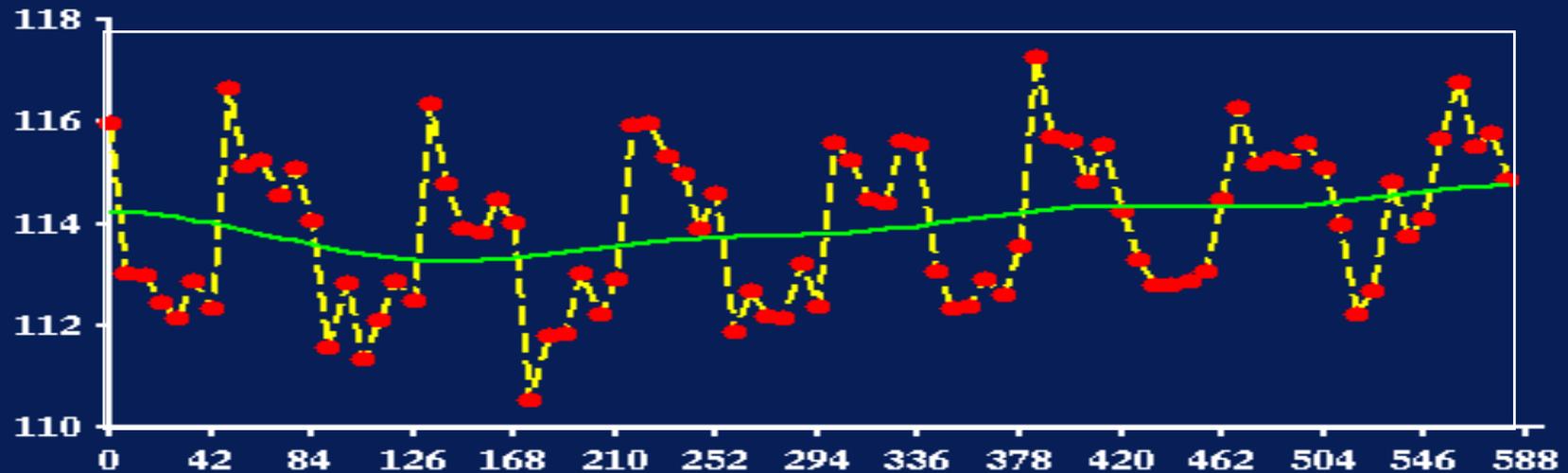
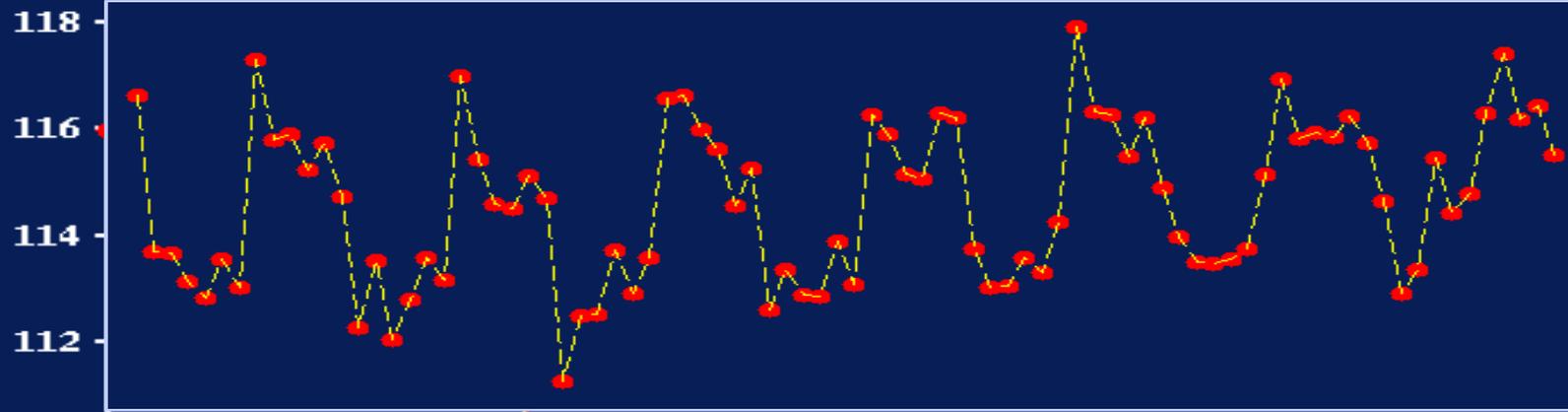
Fact: model parameters depend on regressors scaling

Q: When do I care ?

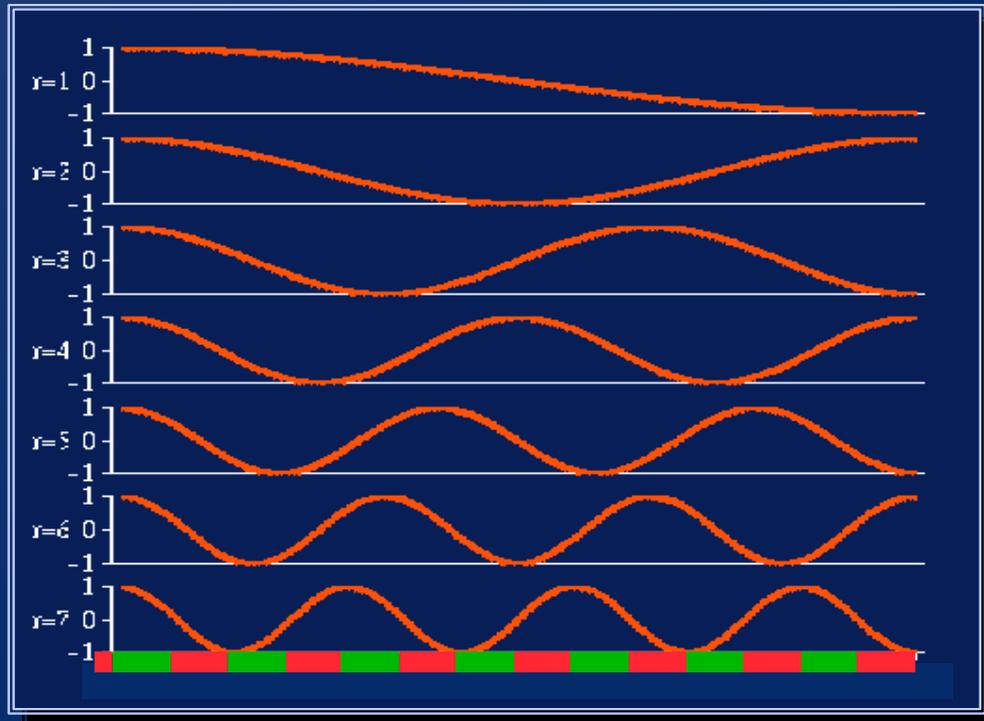
A: ONLY when comparing manually entered regressors (say you would like to compare two scores)

What if two conditions A and B are not of the same duration before convolution HRF?

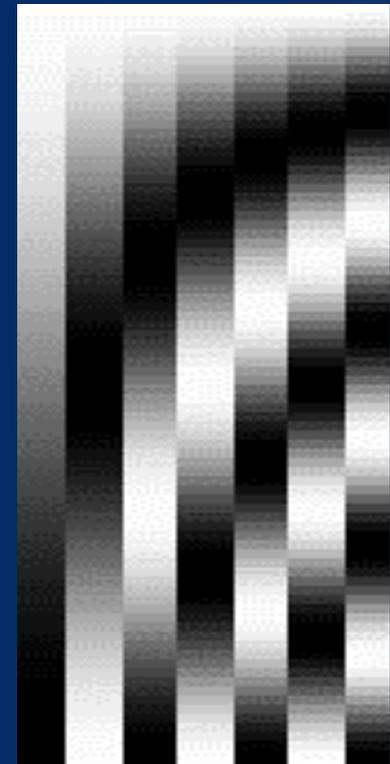
What if we believe that there are drifts?



Add more reference functions / covariates ...



Discrete cosine transform basis functions



...design matrix

data vector

β_1 β_2 β_3 β_4 ...

error vector

$Y = X \times \beta + \epsilon$

...design matrix

data vector

design matrix

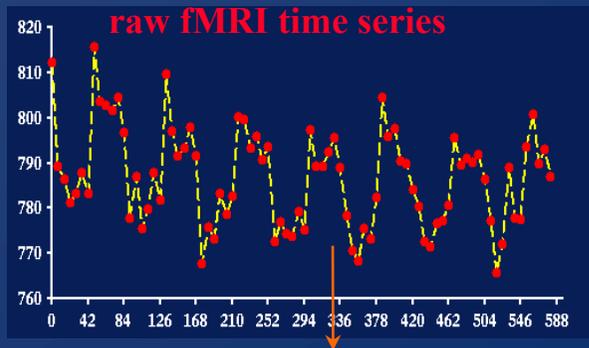
parameters

= the betas (here: 1 to 9)

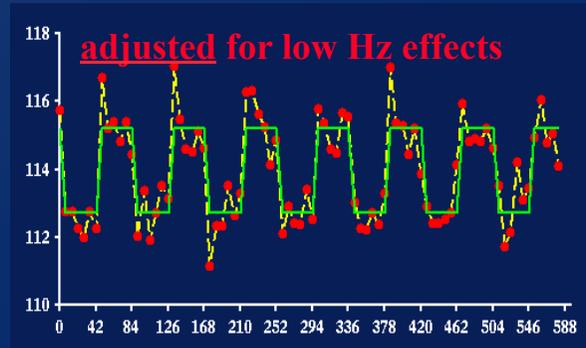
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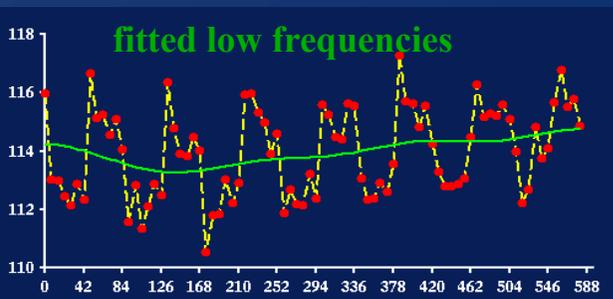
Fitting the model = finding some **estimate** of the betas



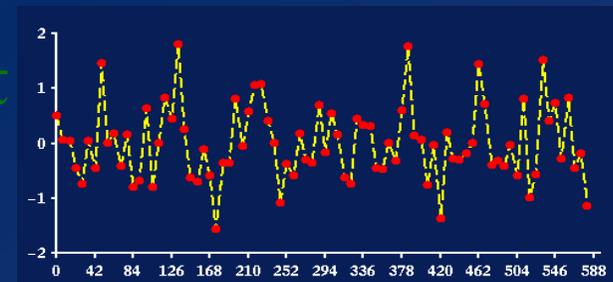
Raw data



fitted signal



fitted drift



How do we find the betas estimates? By minimizing the residual variance

Fitting the model = finding some **estimate** of the betas

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

finding the betas = **minimising the sum of square of the residuals**

$$\| Y - X \hat{\beta} \|^2 = \sum_i [y_i - \hat{\beta}' X_i]^2$$

when $\hat{\beta}$ are estimated: let's call them $\hat{\beta}$ (or $\hat{\beta}$)

when ε is estimated : let's call it e

estimated SD of ε : let's call it s

Take home ...

► *We put in our model regressors (or covariates) that represent how we think the signal is varying (of interest and of no interest alike)*

► ***WHICH ONE TO INCLUDE ?***

► ***What if we have too many? Too few?***

► *Coefficients (= parameters) are estimated by minimizing the fluctuations, - variability – variance – of estimated noise – the residuals.*

► *Because the parameters depend on the scaling of the regressors included in the model, one should be careful in comparing manually entered regressors, or conditions of different durations*

Plan

► *Make sure we all know about the estimation (fitting) part*

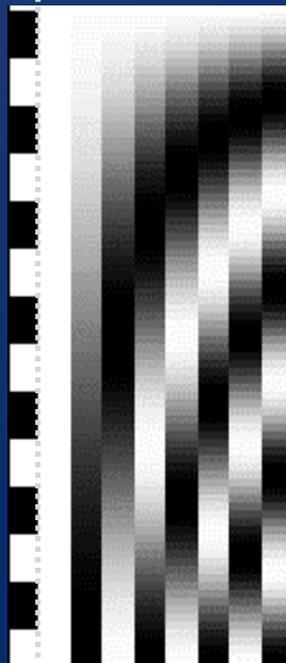
► *Make sure we understand t and F tests*

► *But what do we test exactly ?*

► *An example – almost real*

T test - one dimensional contrasts - SPM{t}

$$c' = 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0$$



A contrast = a weighted sum of **parameters: $c' \times b$**

$$b_1 > 0 ?$$

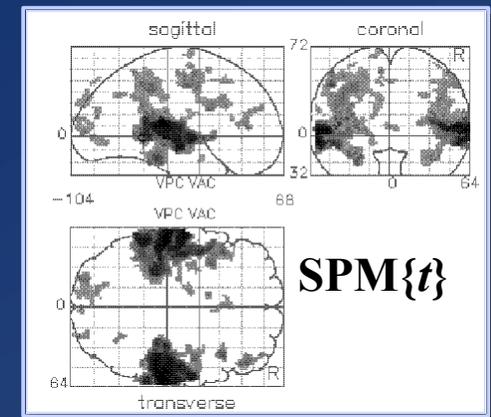
Compute $1 \times b_1 + 0 \times b_2 + 0 \times b_3 + 0 \times b_4 + 0 \times b_5 + \dots = c'b$

$$c' = [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ \dots]$$

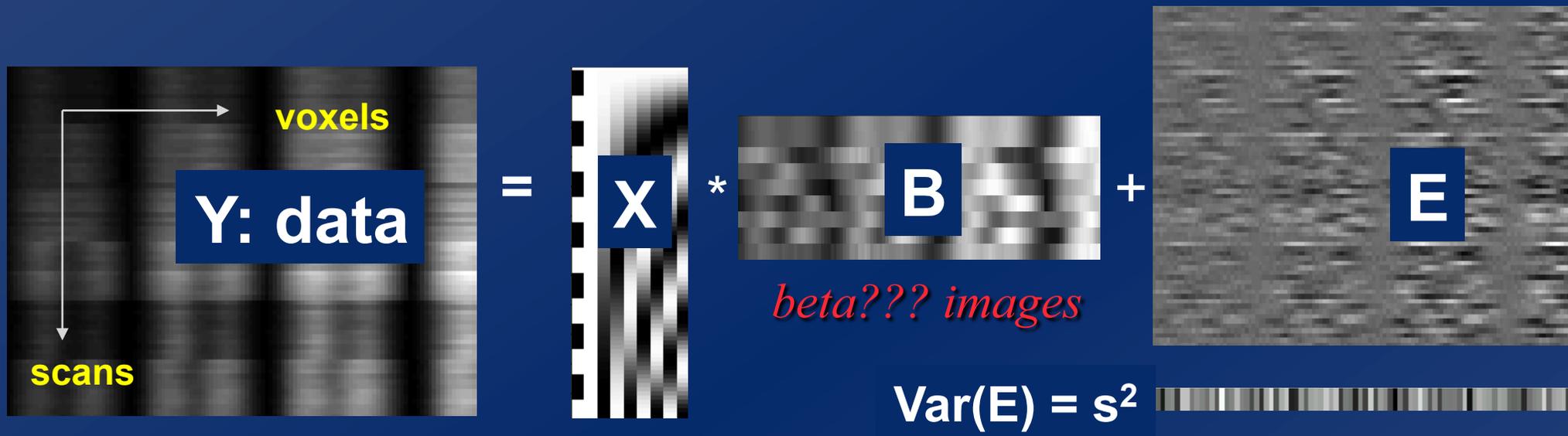
divide by estimated standard deviation of b_1

$$T = \frac{\text{contrast of estimated parameters}}{\sqrt{\text{variance estimate}}}$$

$$T = \frac{c'b}{\sqrt{s^2 c'(X'X)^{-1}c}}$$

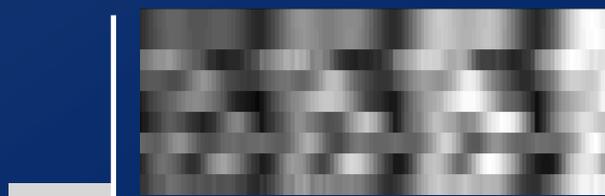


From one time series to an image



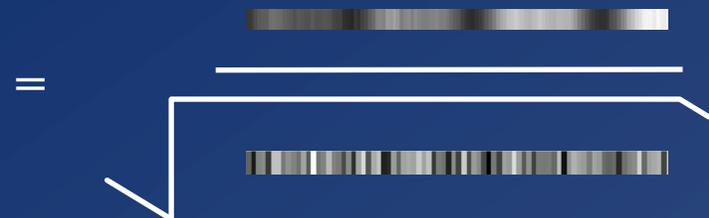
spm_ResMS

$c' = 10000000$



spm_con??? images

$$T = \frac{c'b}{\sqrt{s^2 c'(X'X)^{-1} c}}$$

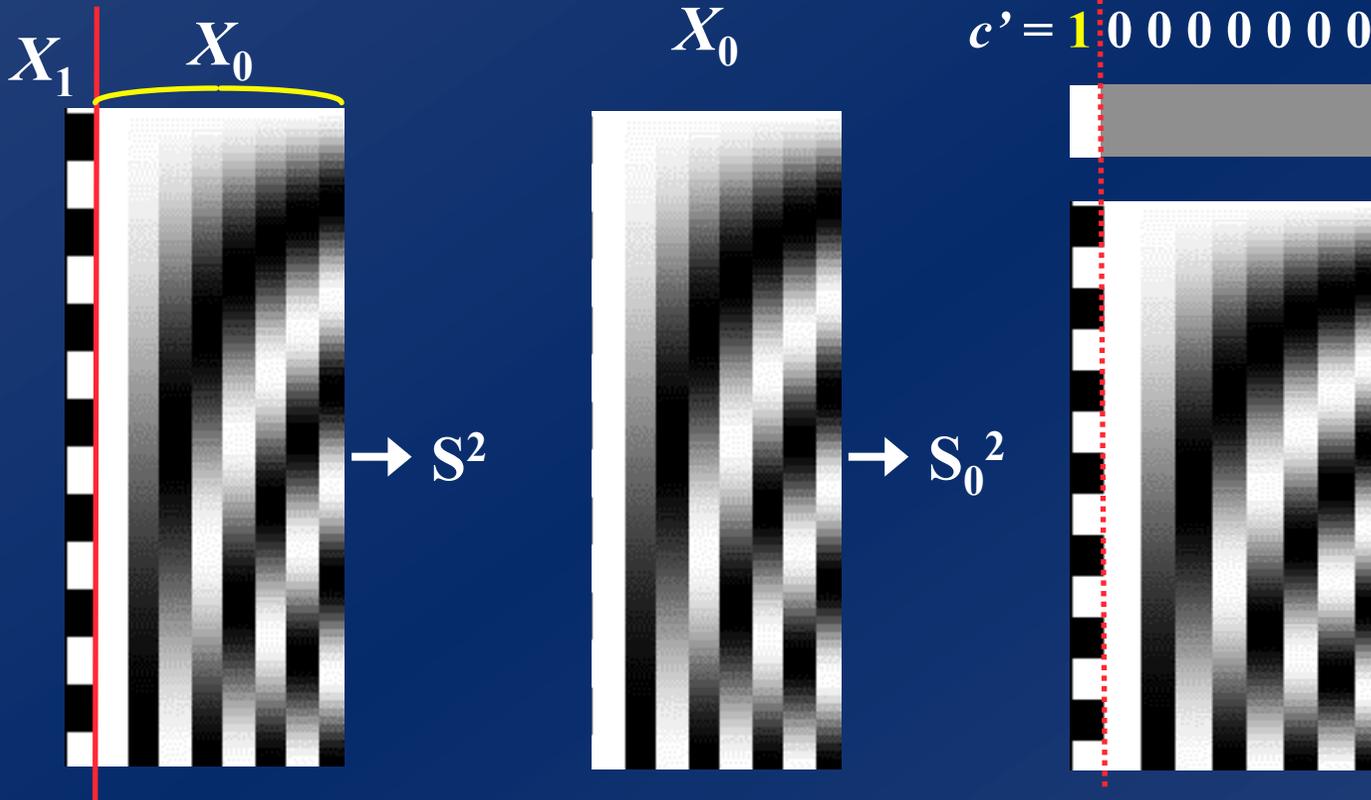


spm_t??? images

F-test : a reduced model

H_0 : True model is X_0

$H_0: \underline{\beta}_1 = 0$



$$F \sim (S_0^2 - S^2) / S^2$$

T values become
F values. $F = T^2$

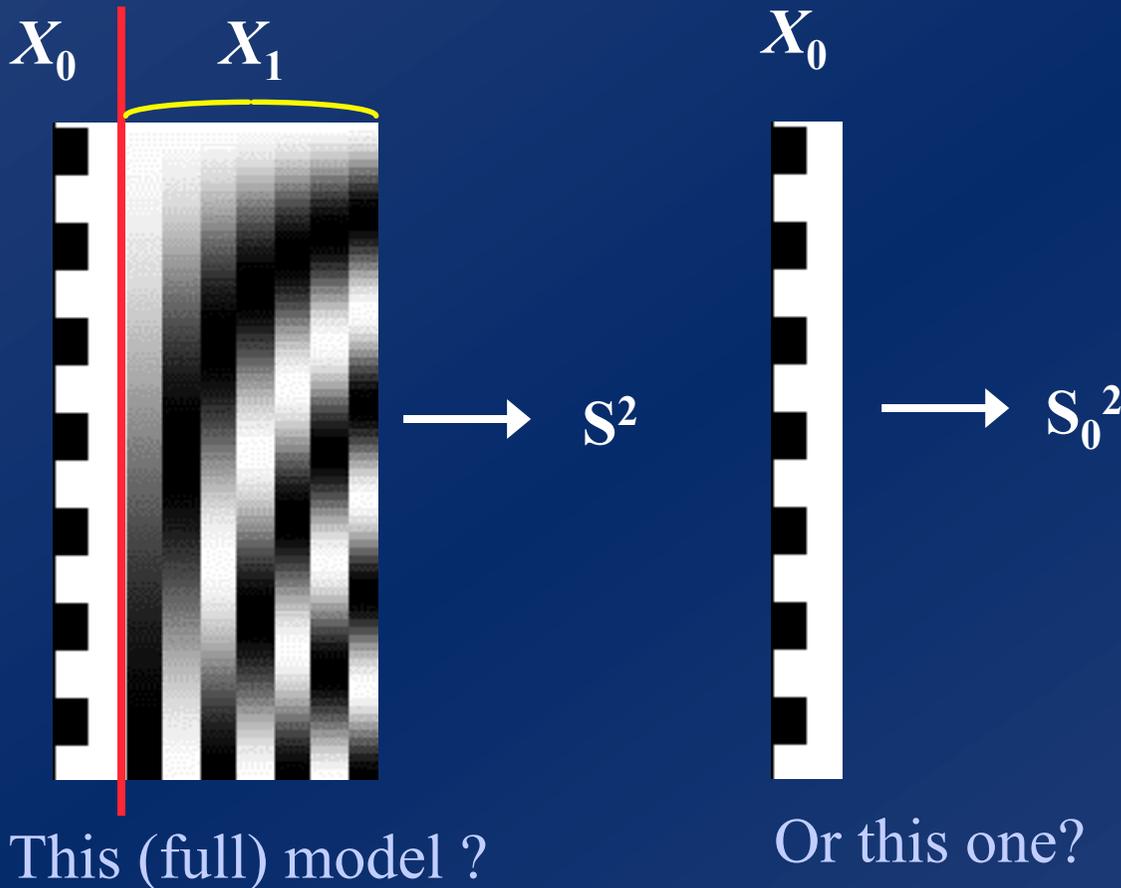
Both “activation”
and
“deactivations”
are tested. Voxel
wise p-values are
halved.

This (full) model ? Or this one?

F-test : a reduced model or ...

Tests multiple linear hypotheses : Does X_1 model anything ?

H_0 : True (reduced) model is X_0



additional
variance
accounted for
by **tested** effects

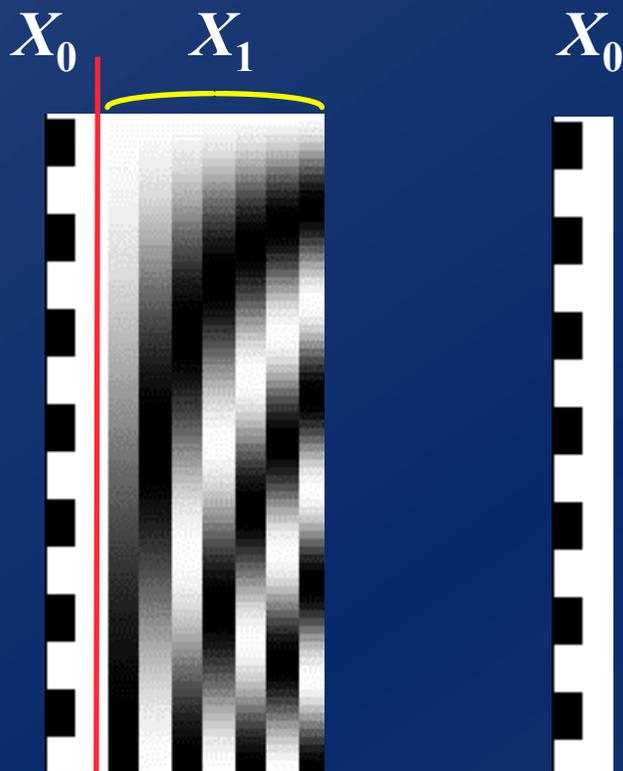
$$F = \frac{\text{additional variance accounted for by tested effects}}{\text{error variance estimate}}$$

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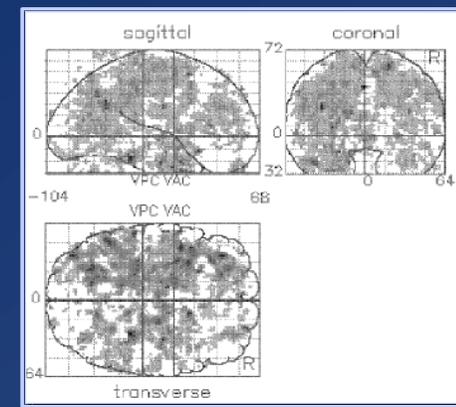
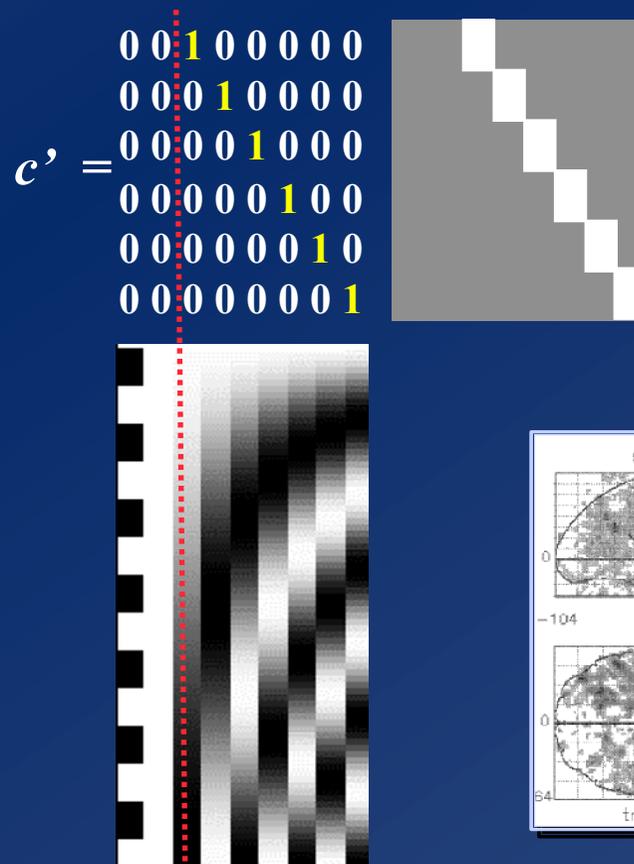
F-test : a reduced model or ... multi-dimensional contrasts ?

tests multiple linear hypotheses. Ex : does drift functions model anything?

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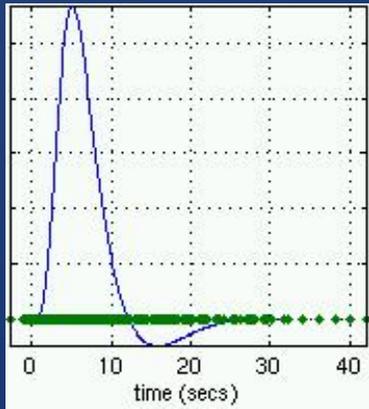


$H_0: \beta_{3-9} = (0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ \dots)$



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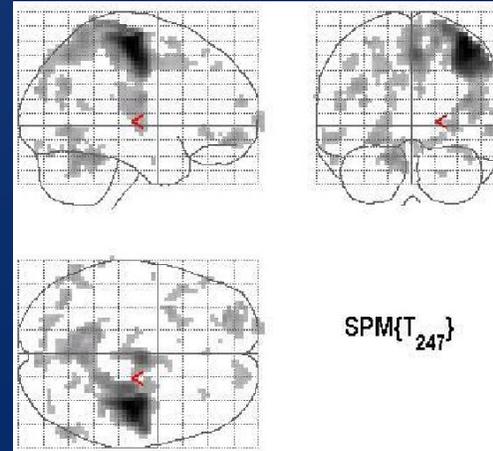
Convolution model



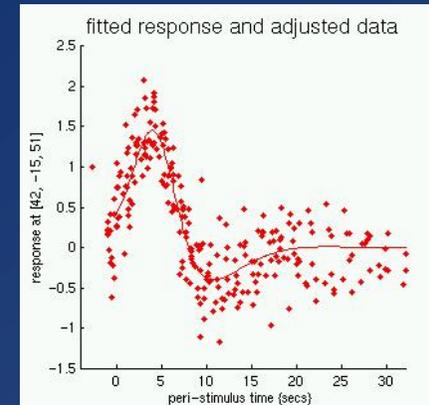
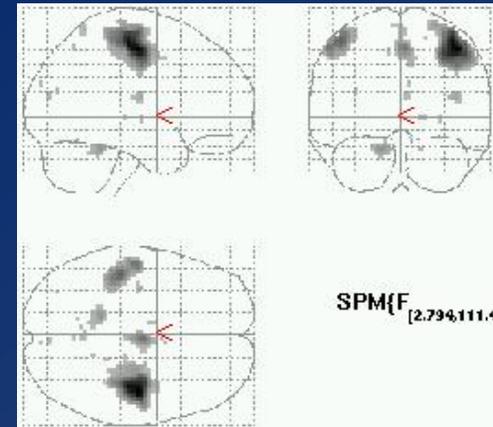
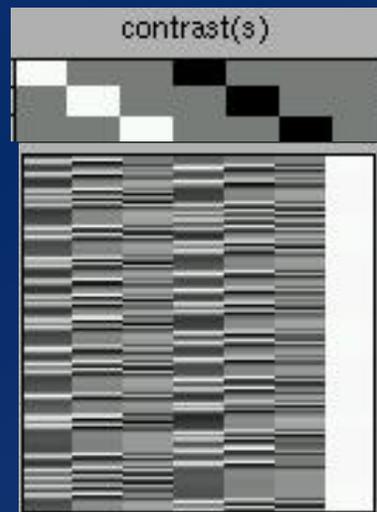
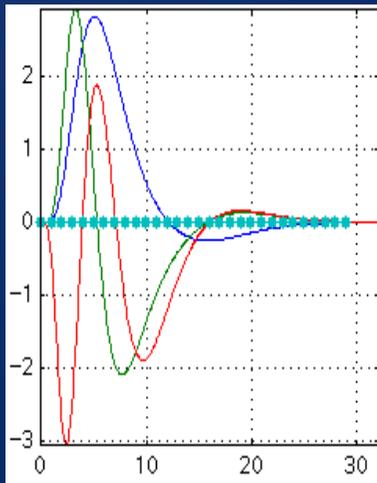
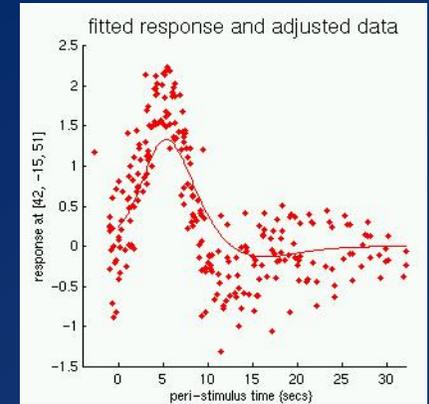
Design and contrast



SPM(t) or SPM(F)



Fitted and adjusted data



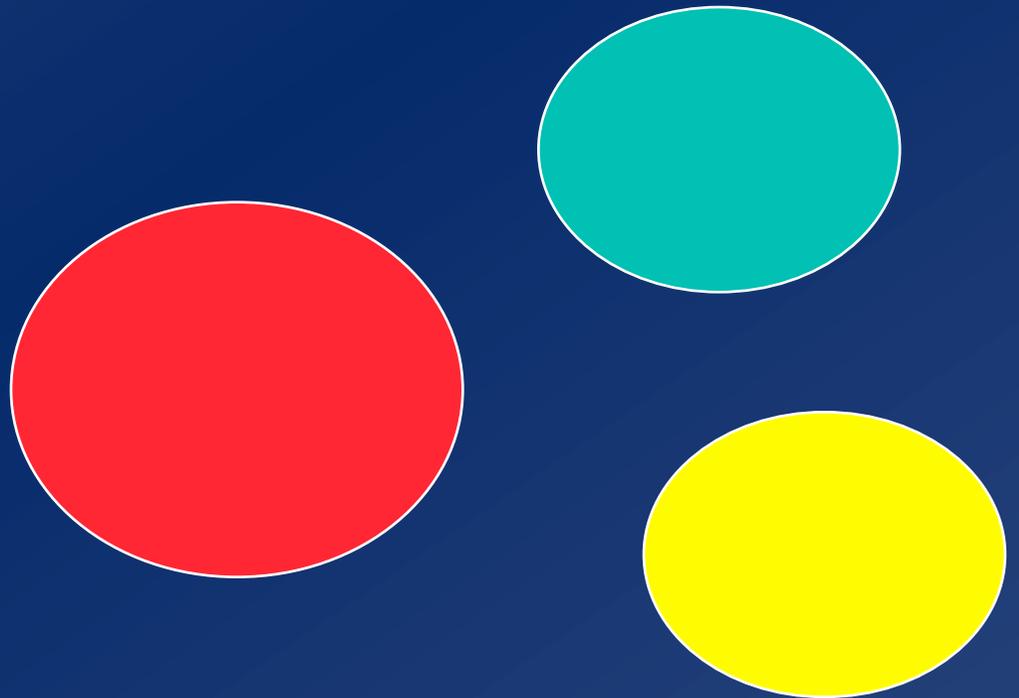
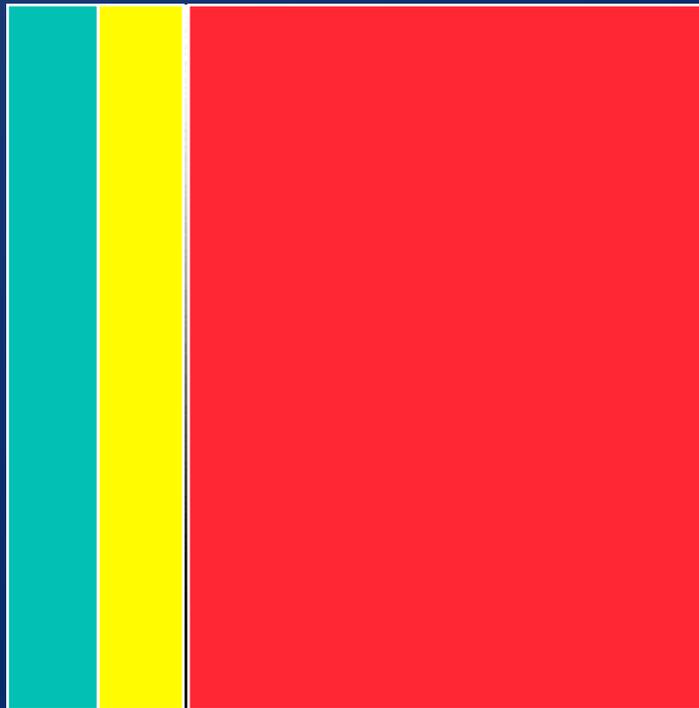
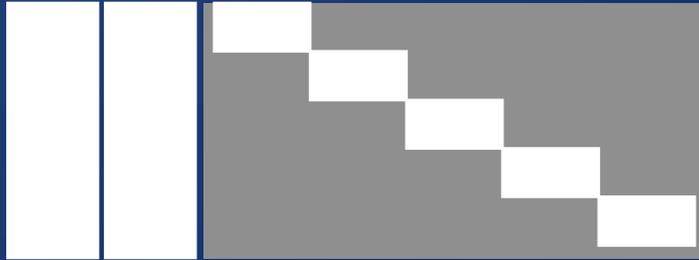
T and F test: take home ...

- ▶ *T tests are simple combinations of the betas; they are either positive or negative ($b_1 - b_2$ is different from $b_2 - b_1$)*
- ▶ *F tests can be viewed as testing for the additional variance explained by a larger model wrt a simpler model, or*
- ▶ *F tests the sum of the squares of one or several combinations of the betas*
- ▶ *in testing “single contrast” with an F test, for ex. $b_1 - b_2$, the result will be the same as testing $b_2 - b_1$. It will be exactly the square of the t-test, testing for both positive and negative effects.*

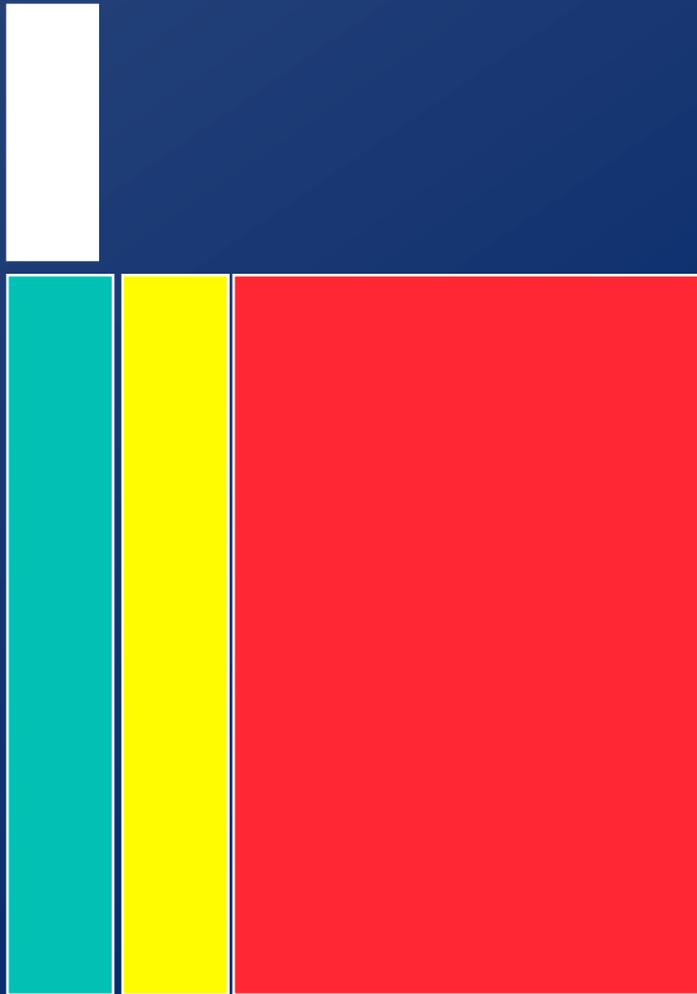
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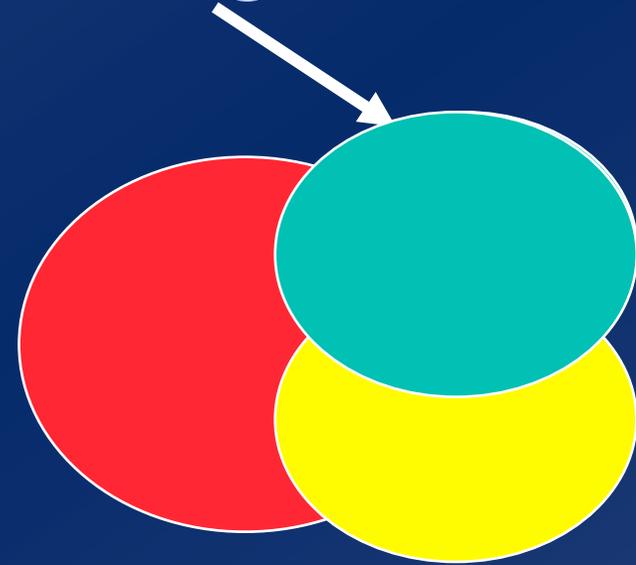
« Additional variance » : Again



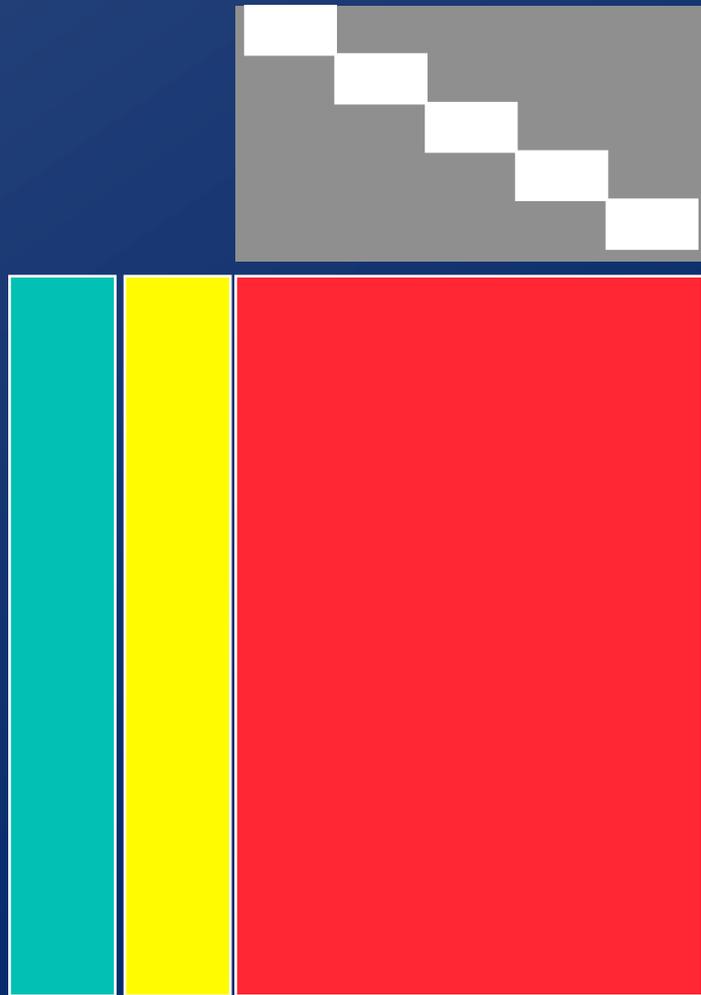
No correlation between green
red and yellow



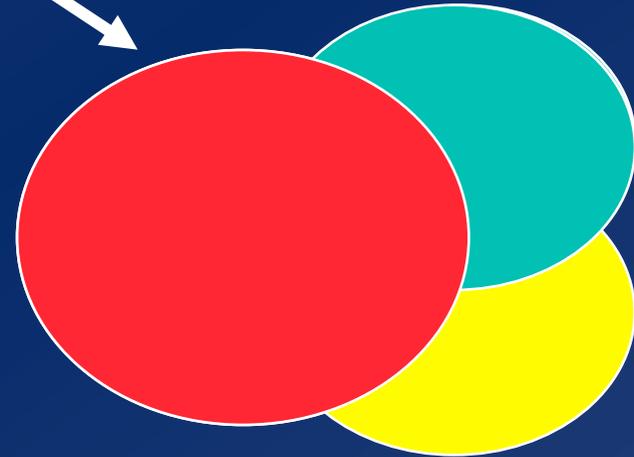
Testing for the green



correlated regressors, for example
green: subject age
yellow: subject score



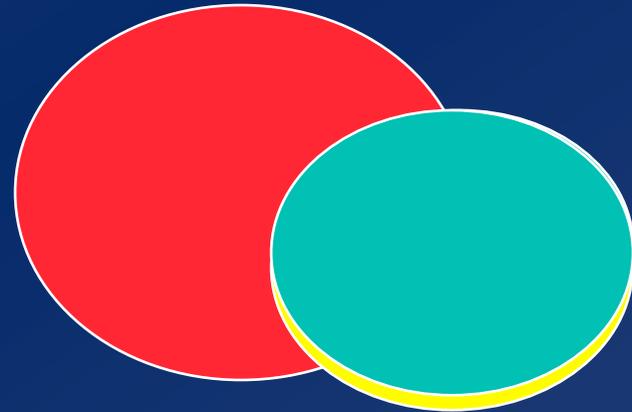
Testing for the red



correlated contrasts



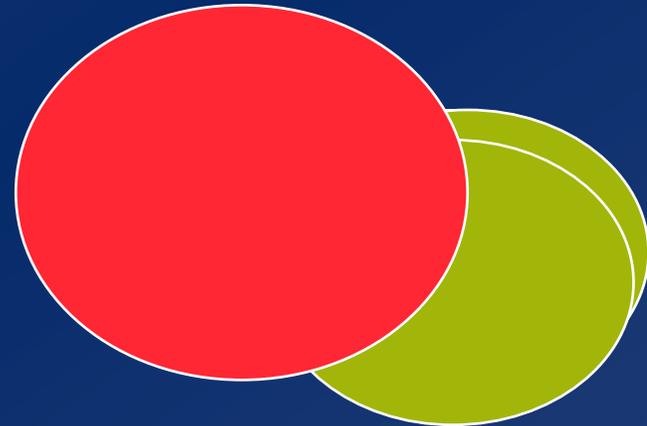
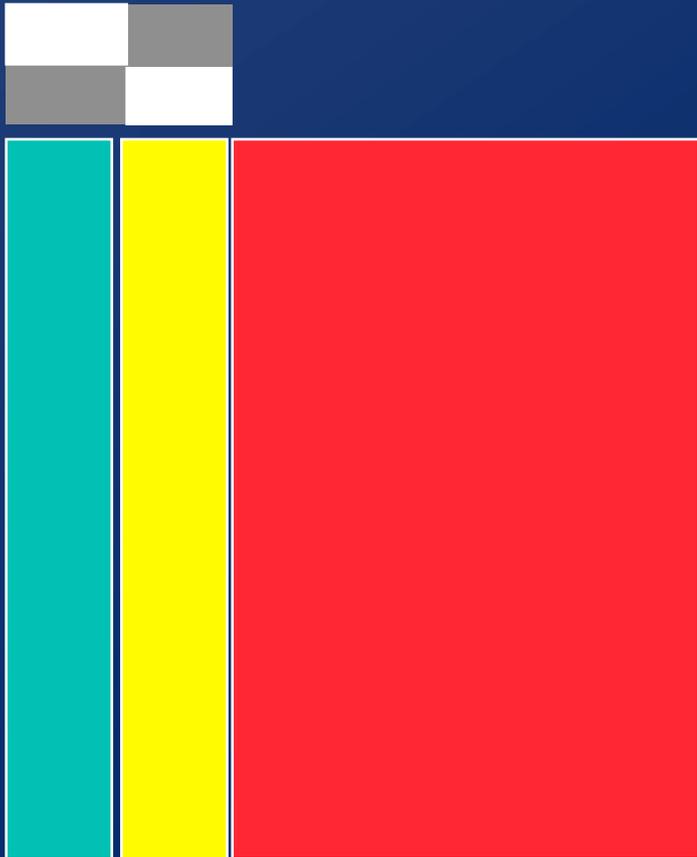
Testing for the green



Very correlated regressors ?

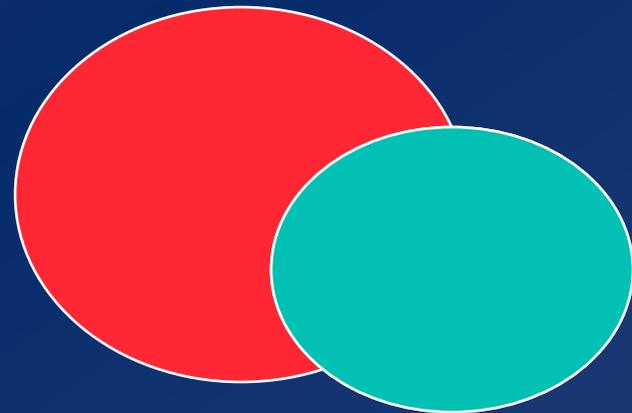
Dangerous !

Testing for the green and yellow

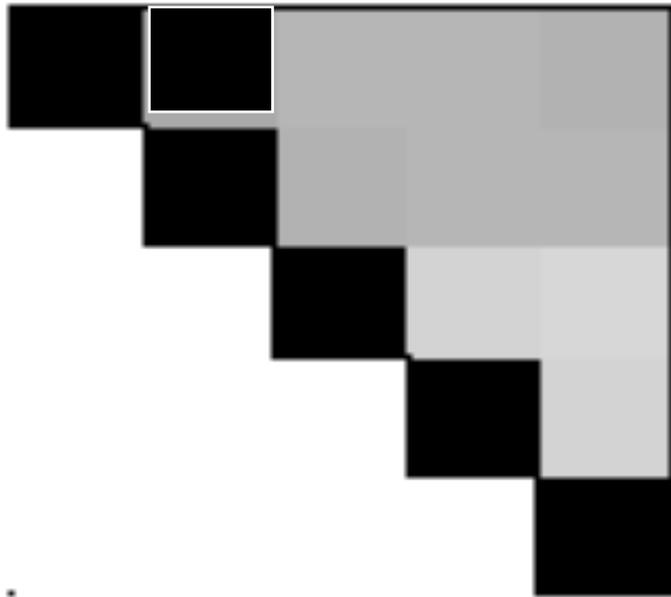


If significant ? Could be G or Y !

Testing for the green

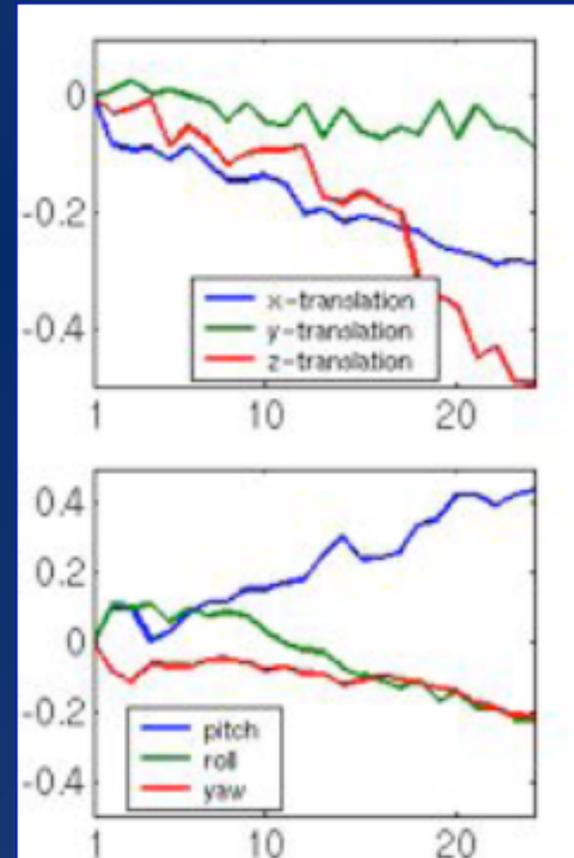
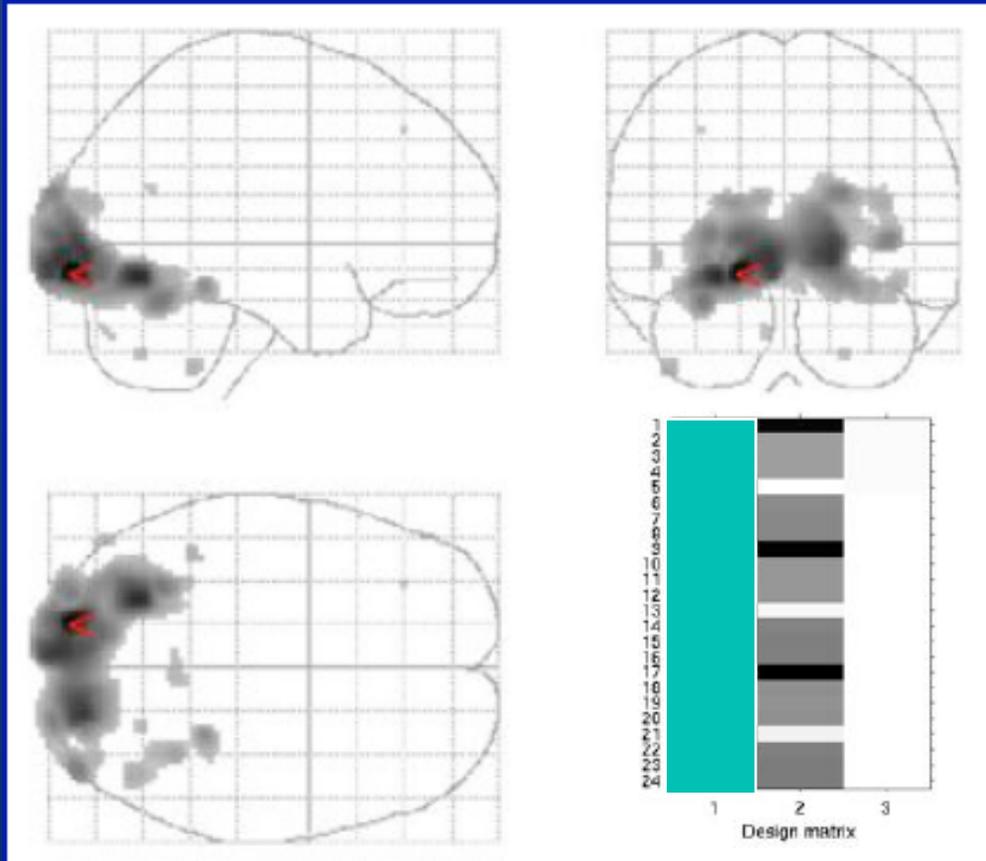


design orthogonality



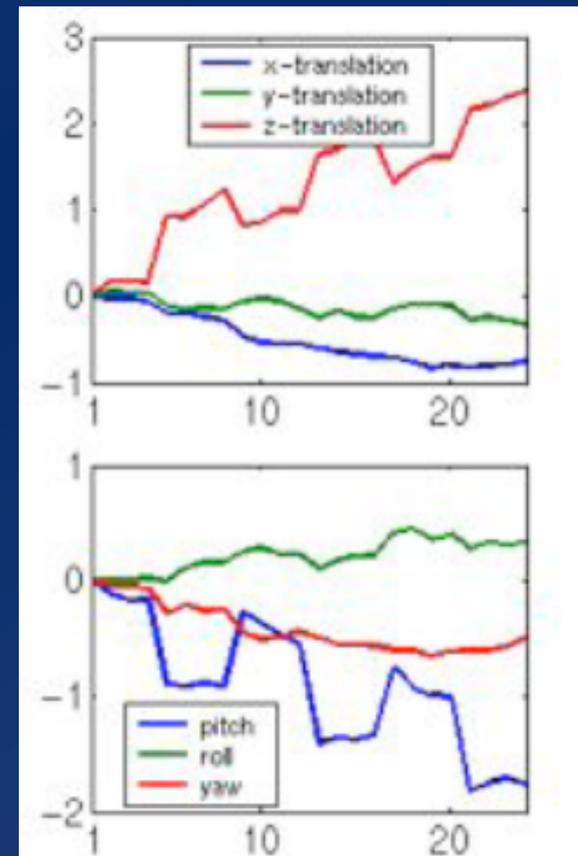
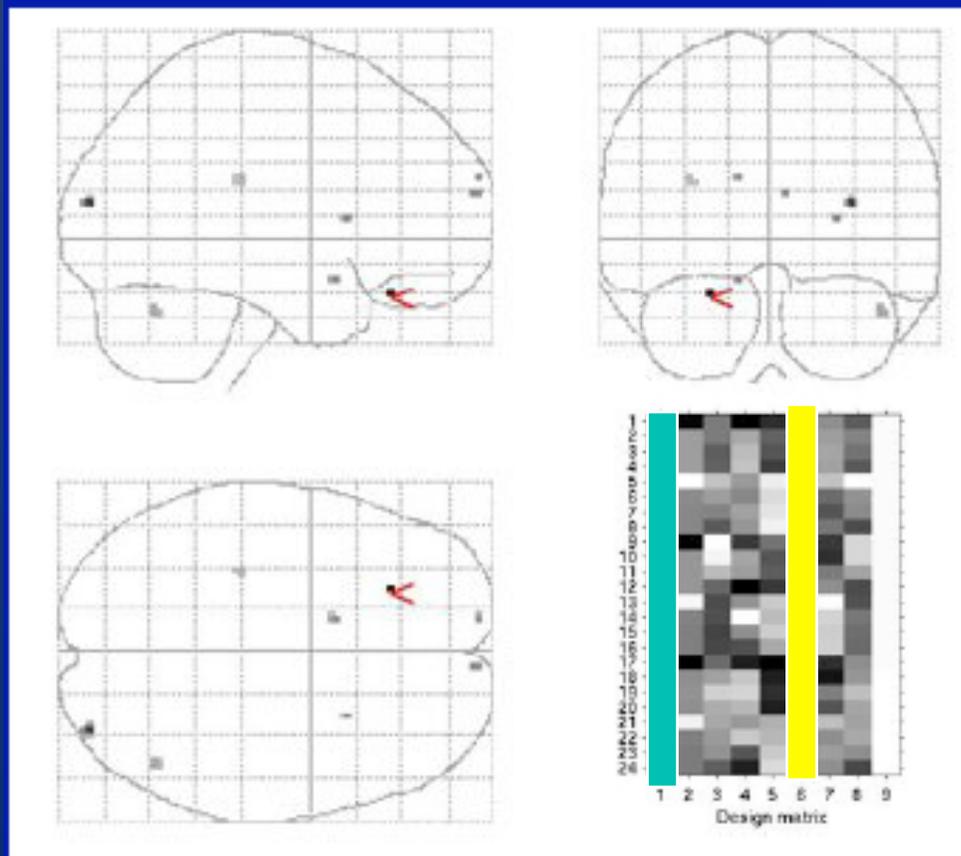
Completely correlated
regressors ?
Impossible to test ! (not
estimable)

An example: real



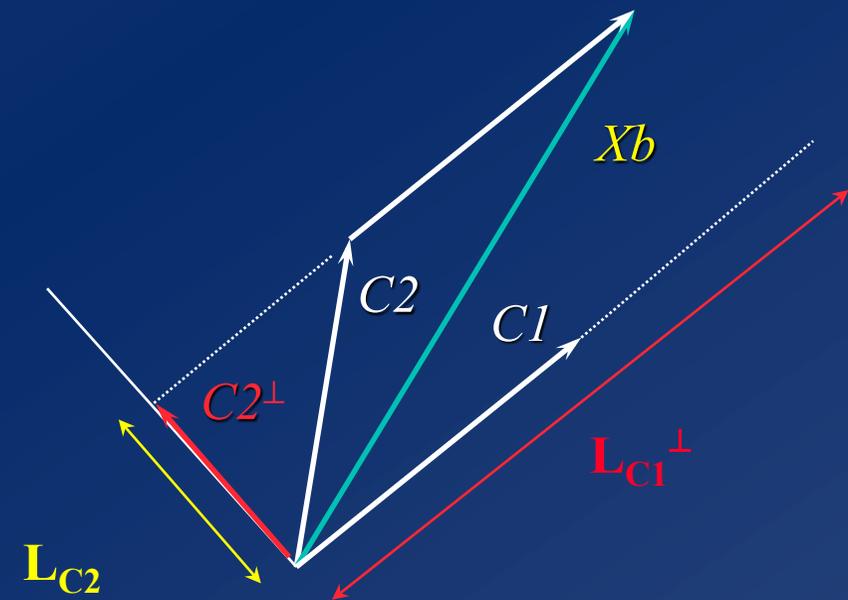
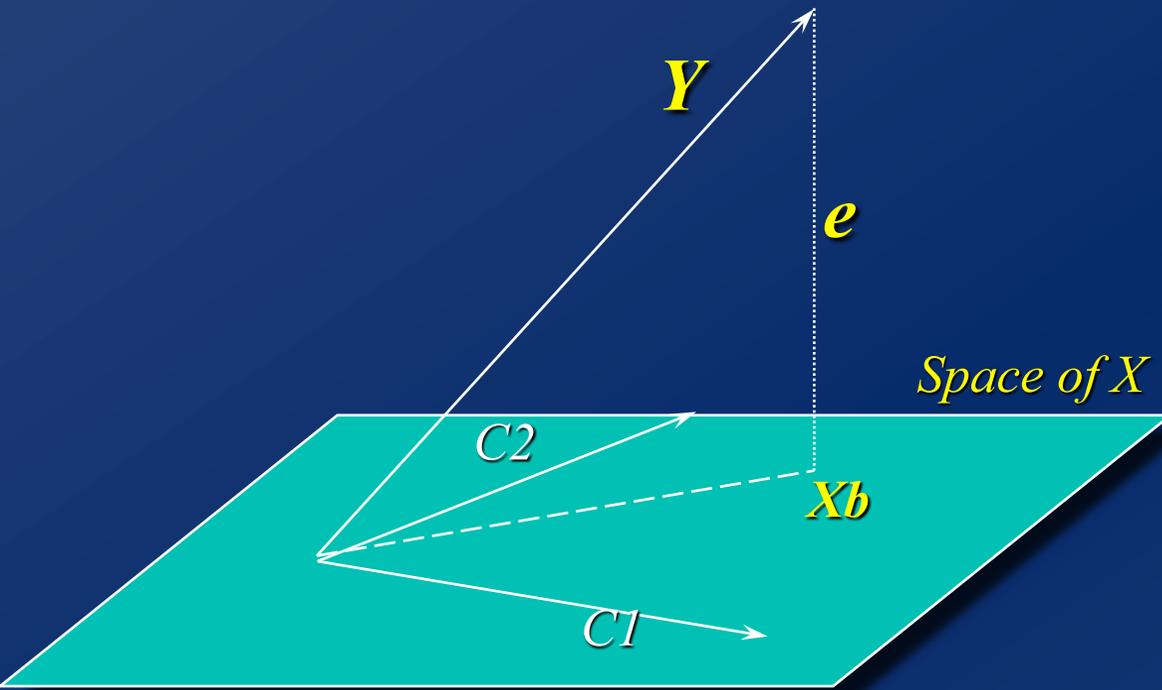
Testing for first regressor: $T_{\max} = 9.8$

Including the movement parameters in the model



Testing for first regressor: activation is gone !
Right or Wrong?

Implicit or explicit (\perp) decorrelation (or orthogonalisation)



This generalises when testing several regressors (F tests)

cf Andrade et al., NeuroImage, 1999

L_{C2} : test of $C2$ in the implicit \perp model

L_{C1}^{\perp} : test of $C1$ in the explicit \perp model

Correlation between regressors: take home ...

- ▶ *Do we care about correlation in the design ?
Yes, always*
- ▶ *Start with the experimental design : conditions should be as uncorrelated as possible*
- ▶ *use F tests to test for the overall variance explained by several (correlated) regressors*

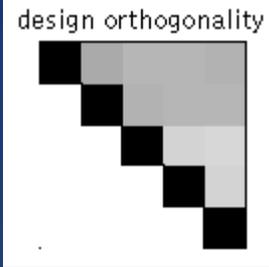
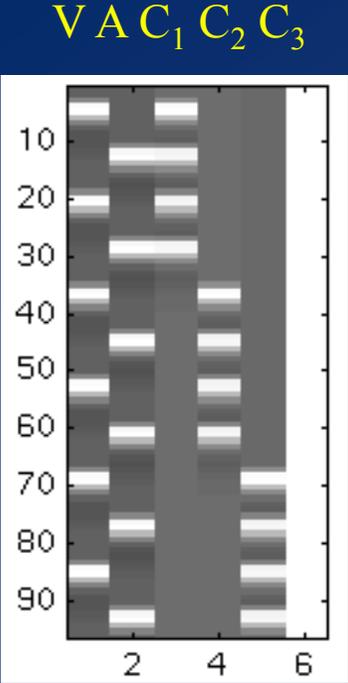
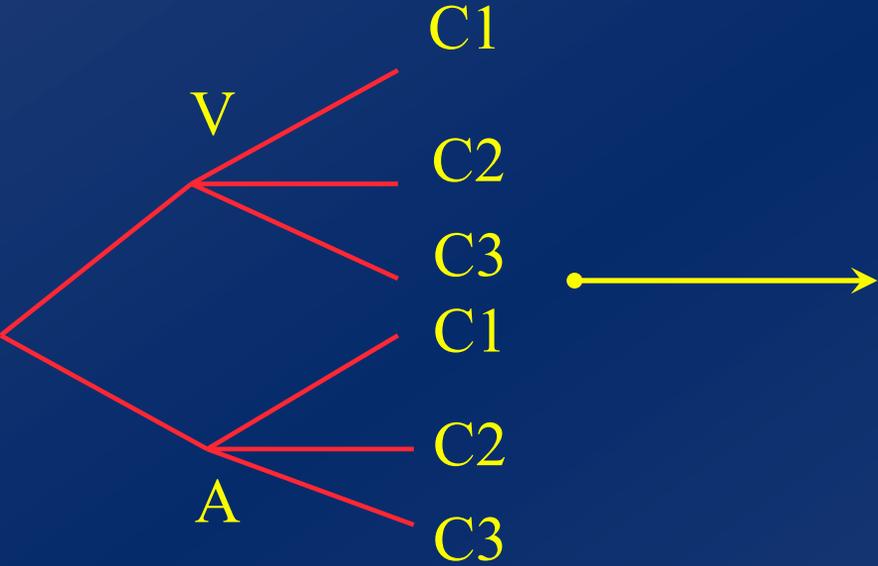
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A real example (almost !)

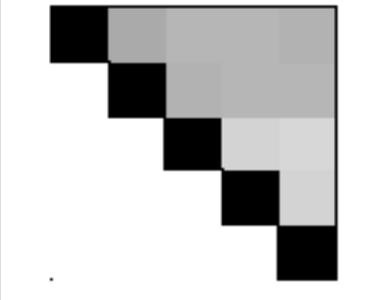
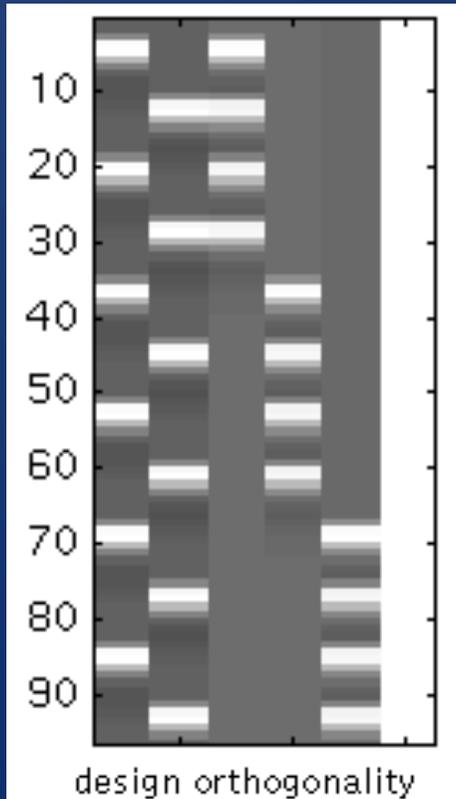
Experimental Design \longrightarrow Design Matrix

Factorial design with 2 factors : modality and category
2 levels for modality (eg Visual/Auditory)
3 levels for category (eg 3 categories of words)



Asking ourselves some questions ...

V A C₁ C₂ C₃



Test $C_1 > C_2$

$$: c = [0 \ 0 \ 1 \ -1 \ 0 \ 0]$$

Test $V > A$

$$: c = [1 \ -1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]$$

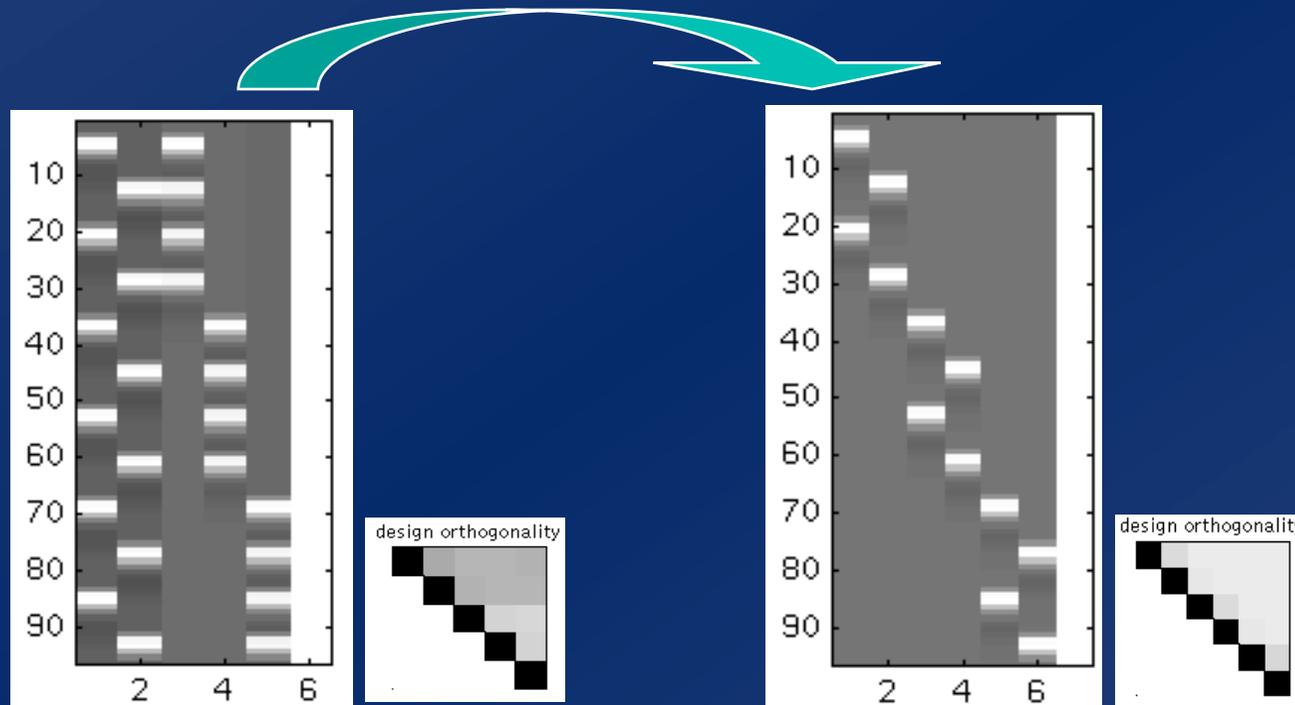
Test $C_1, C_2, C_3 ?$ (F)

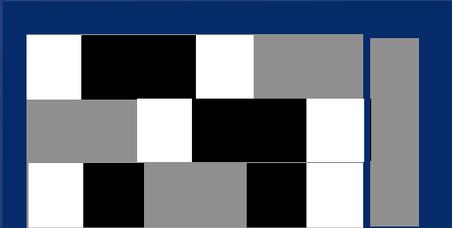
$$c = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Test the interaction $M \times C$?

- Design Matrix not orthogonal
- Many contrasts are non estimable
- Interactions $M \times C$ are not modelled

Modelling the interactions





Test $C1 > C2$: $c = [1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]$

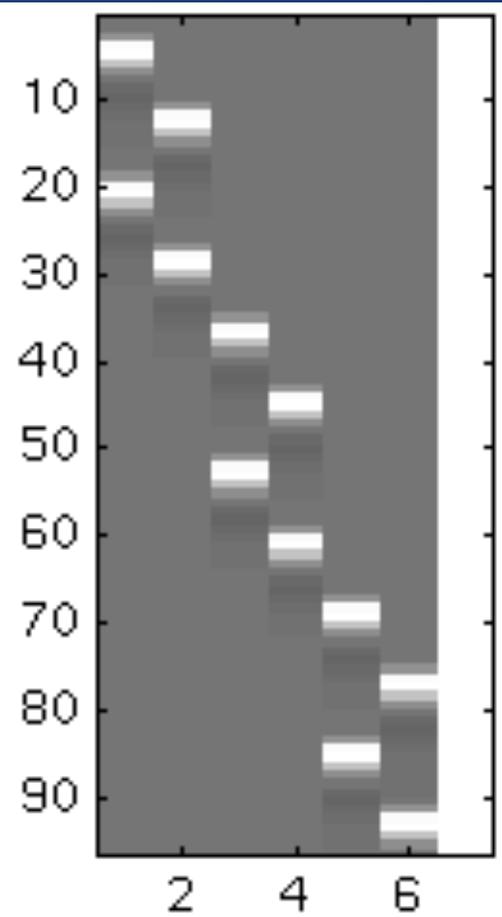
Test $V > A$: $c = [1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 0]$

Test the category effect :

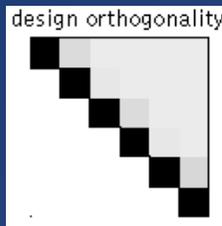
$$c = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Test the interaction MxC :

$$c = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

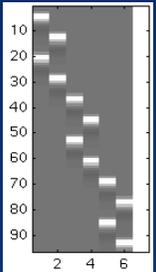
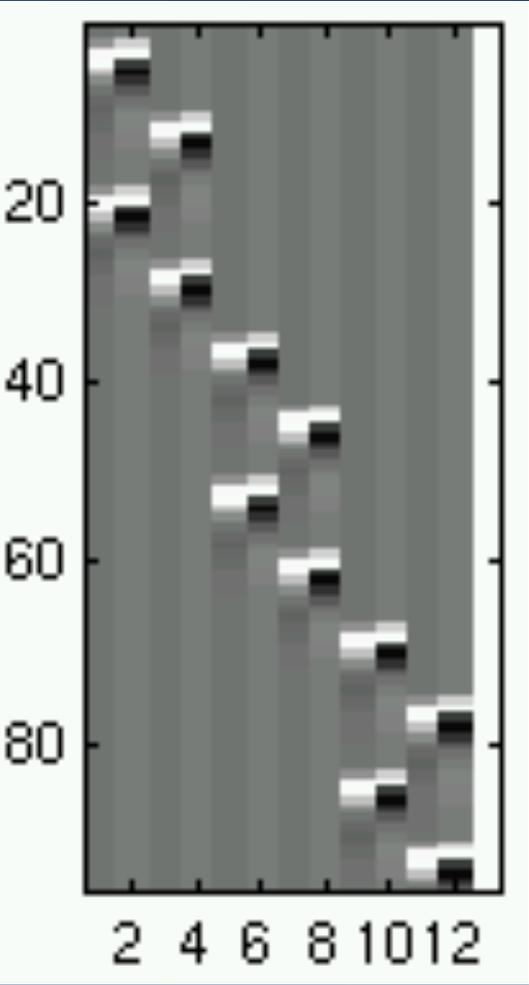


- Design Matrix orthogonal
- All contrasts are estimable
- Interactions MxC modelled
- If no interaction ... ? Model is too “big” !



With a more flexible model

$C_1 C_1 C_2 C_2 C_3 C_3$
 $V A V A V A$



Test $C_1 > C_2$?

Test C_1 different from C_2 ?

from

$$c = [1 \quad 1 \quad -1 \quad -1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0]$$

to

$$c = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

becomes an F test!

What if we use only:

$$c = [1 \quad 0 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad -1 \quad 0 \quad -1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0]$$

OK only if the regressors coding for the delay are all equal

Toy example: take home ...

► *use F tests when*

- *Test for >0 and <0 effects*
- *Test for more than 2 levels in factorial designs*
- *Conditions are modelled with more than one regressor*

► *Check post hoc*

Thank you for your attention!

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Design Matrix

Parameters

Contrasts

$$(1) \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\beta}_1 = \bar{y}_1 \\ \hat{\beta}_2 = \bar{y}_2 \end{cases}$$

$$(1, 0) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \bar{y}_1$$

$$(0, 1) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \bar{y}_2$$

$$(1, -1) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2$$

$$(.5, .5) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \text{mean}(\bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2)$$

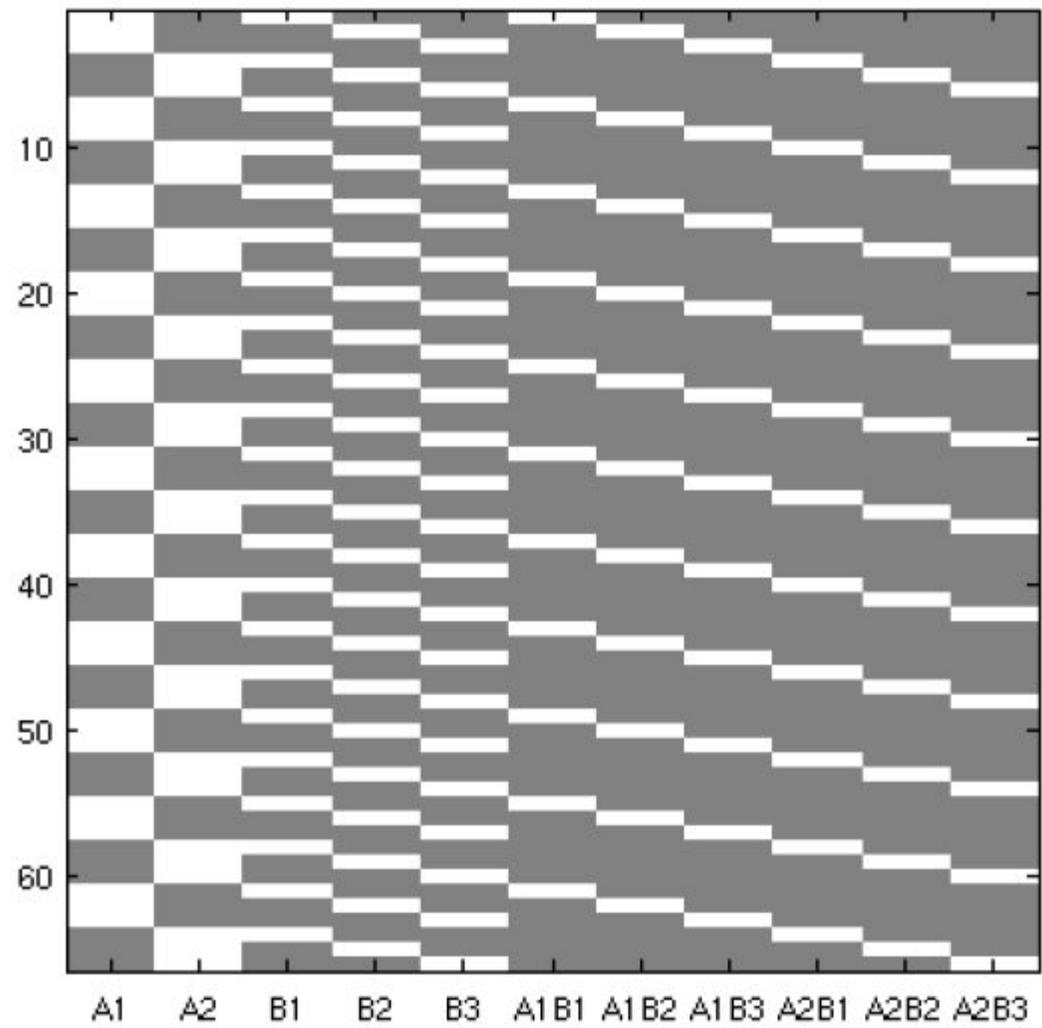
$$P_x Y = X \beta$$

Projector onto X

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_X Y = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/3 & 1/3 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} . Y = X\beta = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{y}_1 \\ \bar{y}_1 \\ \bar{y}_2 \\ \bar{y}_2 \\ \bar{y}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (2) \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 = \bar{y}_1 \\ \hat{\beta}_2 = \bar{y}_2 \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} (1, 1) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \bar{y}_1 \\ (0, 1) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \bar{y}_2 \\ (1, 0) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2 \\ (.5, 1) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \text{mean}(\bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2) \end{array} \\
 \\
 (3) \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\beta}_3 = \bar{y}_1 \\ \hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\beta}_3 = \bar{y}_2 \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} (1, 0, 1) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \bar{y}_1 \\ (0, 1, 1) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \bar{y}_2 \\ (1, -1, 0) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2 \\ (.5, .5, 1) \cdot \hat{\beta} = \text{mean}(\bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2) \end{array}
 \end{array}$$



$$y_1 = \beta_1 + \beta_3 + \beta_6 + \varepsilon^{(1)}$$

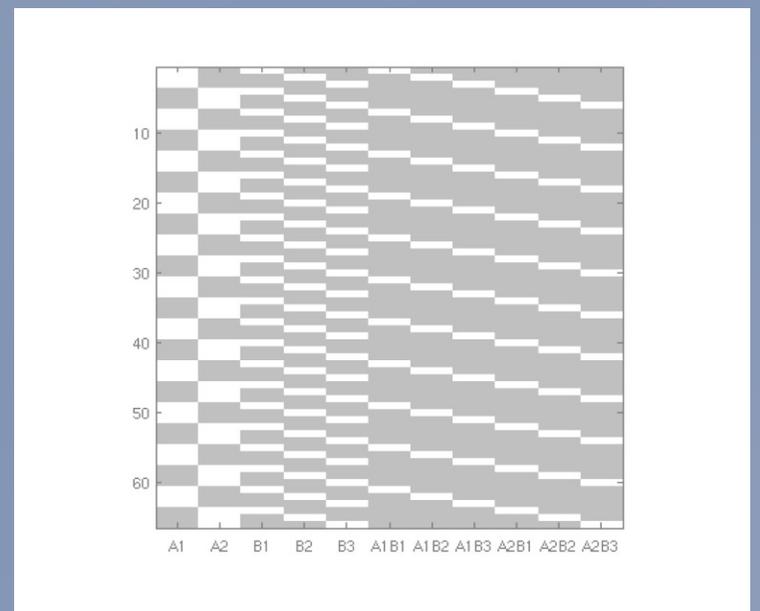
$$y_2 = \beta_1 + \beta_4 + \beta_7 + \varepsilon^{(2)}$$

$$y_3 = \beta_1 + \beta_5 + \beta_8 + \varepsilon^{(3)}$$

$$y_4 = \beta_2 + \beta_3 + \beta_9 + \varepsilon^{(4)}$$

$$y_5 = \beta_2 + \beta_4 + \beta_{10} + \varepsilon^{(5)}$$

$$y_6 = \beta_2 + \beta_5 + \beta_{11} + \varepsilon^{(6)}$$



$$y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = 3\beta_1 + \beta_3 + \beta_4 + \beta_5 + \beta_6 + \beta_7 + \beta_8 + \varepsilon^{1+2+3}$$

$$y_4 + y_5 + y_6 = 3\beta_2 + \beta_3 + \beta_4 + \beta_5 + \beta_9 + \beta_{10} + \beta_{11} + \varepsilon^{4+5+6}$$

How is this computed ? (t-test)

Estimation $[Y, X]$ $[b, s]$

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

$\varepsilon \sim \sigma^2 \mathbf{N}(0, \mathbf{I})$ (Y : at one position)

$$b = (X'X)^+ X'Y$$

(b : estimate of β) -> **beta???** images

$$e = Y - Xb$$

(e : estimate of ε)

$$s^2 = (e'e / (n - p))$$

(s : estimate of σ , n : time points, p : parameters)
-> **1 image ResMS**

Test $[b, s^2, c]$ $[c'b, t]$

$$\text{Var}(c'b) = s^2 c' (X'X)^+ c$$

(compute for each contrast c , proportional to S^2)

$$t = c'b / \text{sqrt}(s^2 c' (X'X)^+ c)$$

$c'b$ -> **images spm_con???**

compute the t images -> **images spm_t???**

under the null hypothesis $H_0 : t \sim \text{Student-t}(df)$ $df = n - p$

How is this computed ? (F-test)

additional
variance accounted for
by tested effects

Error
variance
estimate

Estimation [Y, X] [b, s]

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

$$\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$$

$$Y = X_0\beta_0 + \varepsilon_0$$

$$\varepsilon_0 \sim N(0, \sigma_0^2 I) \quad X_0 : X \text{ Reduced}$$

Test [b, s, c] [ess, F]

$$F \sim (s_0 - s) / s^2$$

-> image

spm_ess???

-> image of F : spm_F???

under the null hypothesis : $F \sim F(p - p_0, n - p)$