New Frontiers in Functional Imaging

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Focus of most of this talk is fMRI

...but the key to neuroimaging advances is in the integration of multiple techniques

-electrical, hemodynamic, metabolic changes with activation

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Blood Volume Imaging

Susceptibility Contrast agent bolus injection and time series collection of T2* or T2 - weighted

Resting

Active







Photic Stimulation

MRI Image showing activation of the Visual Cortex

From Belliveau, et al. Science Nov 1991

ISC - perfusion



Blood Oxygenation Imaging



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Blood Perfusion Imaging

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Simultaneous BOLD and Perfusion







Perfusion





Linear coupling between cerebral blood flow and oxygen consumption in activated human cortex

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Simultaneous Perfusion and BOLD imaging during graded visual activation and hypercapnia



Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Based on Changes in Vascular Space Occupancy

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Neuronal Current Imaging

•Neuronal activity is directly associated with ionic currents.

•These bio-currents induce **spatially distributed and transient** magnetic flux density changes and magnetic field gradients.

In the context of MRI, these currents therefore alter
 the magnetic phase of surrounding water protons.

Derivation of B field generated in an MRI voxel by a current dipole

Single dendritic tree having a diameter d, and length L behaves like a conductor with conductivity σ . Resistance is R=V/I, where R=4L/($\pi d^2 \sigma$). From Biot-Savart:

$$B = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{Q}{r^2} = \frac{\mu_0}{16} \frac{d^2 \sigma V}{r^2}$$

by substituting d = 4 μ m, $\sigma \approx 0.25 \ \Omega^{-1} \ m^{-1}$, V = 10mV and

r = 4cm (measurement distance when using MEG) the resulting value is: $B \approx 0.002 \text{ fT}$

Because B_{MEG} =100fT (or more) is measured by MEG on the scalp, a large number of neurons, (0.002 fT x 50,000 = 100 fT), must coherently act to generate such field. These bundles of neurons produce, within a typical voxel, 1 mm x 1 mm x 1 mm, a field of order:

$$B_{MRI} = B_{MEG} \left(\frac{r_{MEG}}{r_{MRI}}\right)^2 = B_{MEG} \left(\frac{4 cm}{0.1 cm}\right)^2 = 1600 B_{MEG} \qquad \mathsf{B}_{\mathsf{MRI}} \approx 0.2 \mathrm{nT}$$

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Phase v=0.12Hz

Closed













Phase v=0.12Hz

Closed













Closed

Magnitude v=0.12Hz







Magnitude v=0.12 Hz

Closed













Phase v=0.12Hz

Closed

Open







Power spectra



In Vitro Results

Newborn rat brains have been found to exhibit spontaneous and synchronous firing at specific frequencies





Plenz, D. and S.T. Kital. Nature, 1999. 400: p. 677-682.



Active state: 10 min, Inactive state: 10 min after TTX admin.

*: activity#: scanner pump frequency

Petridou et al.

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Motor Cortex



Auditory Cortex



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fMRI responses in human V1 are proportional to average firing rates in monkey V1



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$0.4 \text{ spikes/sec} \rightarrow 1\% \text{ BOLD}$

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9 spikes/sec \rightarrow 1% BOLD

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The Negative BOLD Response in Monkey V1 Is Associated with Decreases in Neuronal Activity Amir Shmuel*†, Mark Augath, Axel Oeltermann, Jon Pauls, Yusuke Murayama, Nikos K. Logothetis







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Spatial Heterogeneity of BOLD Nonlinearity



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Sources of this Nonlinearity

Neuronal



- Hemodynamic
 - Oxygen extraction
 Blood volume dynamics



BOLD Correlation with Neuronal Activity

Logothetis et al. (2001) "Neurophysiological investigation of the basis of the fMRI signal" Nature, 412, 150-157.

BOLD Signal: ePts Change (SD Units) 9.00 BOLD LFP 6.00 6.00 MUA SDF 3.00 3.00 to gnal **BOLD Si** -3.00 20 25 30 35 10 15 40 **Time in Seconds**

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MEG and Ramped Stimulus

- 6 subjects
- SD: 1 or 2 seconds
- Ramp: 0, 0.5, 1 second
- 8 Hz Counterphase-modulated checkerboards
- Fixation without task
 - No blinking point
- 45 repeats
- 3 sec ISI
- 275 channels
- 600 Hz







MEG – Ramped stimuli



Composite – 1 second Stimulus Duration

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0.5 second Ramp

#### 1 second Ramp





### Divergence of spike rate and blood flow during parallel fiber stimulation



Mathiesen, Caesar, Akgören, Lauritzen (1998), J Physiol 512.2:555-566

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## Single Shot EPI



**EPI Readout Window** 

 $\approx 20$  to 40 ms





### Local gradients solved the problem



August, 1991

## 1992-1999

**1991-1992** 





## **General Electric 3 Tesla Scanner**





Single shot full k-space echo-planar-imaging with an eight-channel phase array coil at 3T. Jerzy Bodurka¹, Peter van Gelderen², Patrick Ledden³, Peter Bandettini¹, Jeff Duyn² ¹Functional MRI Facility NIMH/NIH, ²Advance MRI NINDS/NIH, ³Nova Medical Inc.

#### **Quadrature Head Coil**

#### 8 Channel Array

**SNR** 

**TSNR** 





#### **SENSE Imaging**





### $\approx$ 5 to 30 ms



#### Pruessmann, et al.

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# **Neuronal Activation Input Strategies**

- 1. Block Design
- 2. Parametric Design
- 3. Frequency Encoding
- 4. Phase Encoding
- 5. Event Related
- 6. Orthogonal Design
- 7. Free Behavior Design





Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA Vol. 93, pp. 2382–2386, March 1996 Neurobiology

## Mapping striate and extrastriate visual areas in human cerebral cortex

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### **First Event-related fMRI Results**



Blamire, A. M., et al. (1992). "Dynamic mapping of the human visual cortex by high-speed magnetic resonance imaging." Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 89: 11069-11073.

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### Detection of cortical activation during averaged single trials of a cognitive task using functional magnetic resonance imaging

(neuroimaging/single trial/language/prefrontal)

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0 sec2 sec4 sec





Individual Trials Using fMRI

Anders M. Dale* and Randy L. Buckner

#### RAW DATA



#### ESTIMATED RESPONSES



Human Brain Mapping 5:329–340(1997)

## Detectability vs. Average ISI



R. M. Birn, R. W. Cox, P. A. Bandettini, Detection versus estimation in Event-Related fMRI: choosing the optimal stimulus timing. *NeuroImage* 15: 262-264, (2002).



### **Free Behavior Design**

Use a continuous measure as a reference function:

Task performance
Skin Conductance
Heart, respiration rate...
Eye position
EEG

### The Skin Conductance Response (SCR)


### Brain activity correlated with SCR during "Rest"



J. C. Patterson II, L. G. Ungerleider, and P. A Bandettini, Task - independent functional brain activity correlation with skin conductance changes: an fMRI study. *NeuroImage* 17: 1787-1806, (2002).

#### Simultaneous EEG and fMRI of the alpha rhythm

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## **Resting State Fluctuations**





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### Latency and Width



### Hemi-Field Experiment





### Timing Modulation (calibration)







# Understanding neural system dynamics through task modulation and measurement of functional MRI amplitude, latency, and width

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# An approach to probe some neural systems interaction by functional MRI at neural time scale down to milliseconds

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Functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) "brain reading": detecting and classifying distributed patterns of fMRI activity in human visual cortex

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## The Future

Sensitivity Resolution Calibration Integration Correlation

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