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Methods (continued)

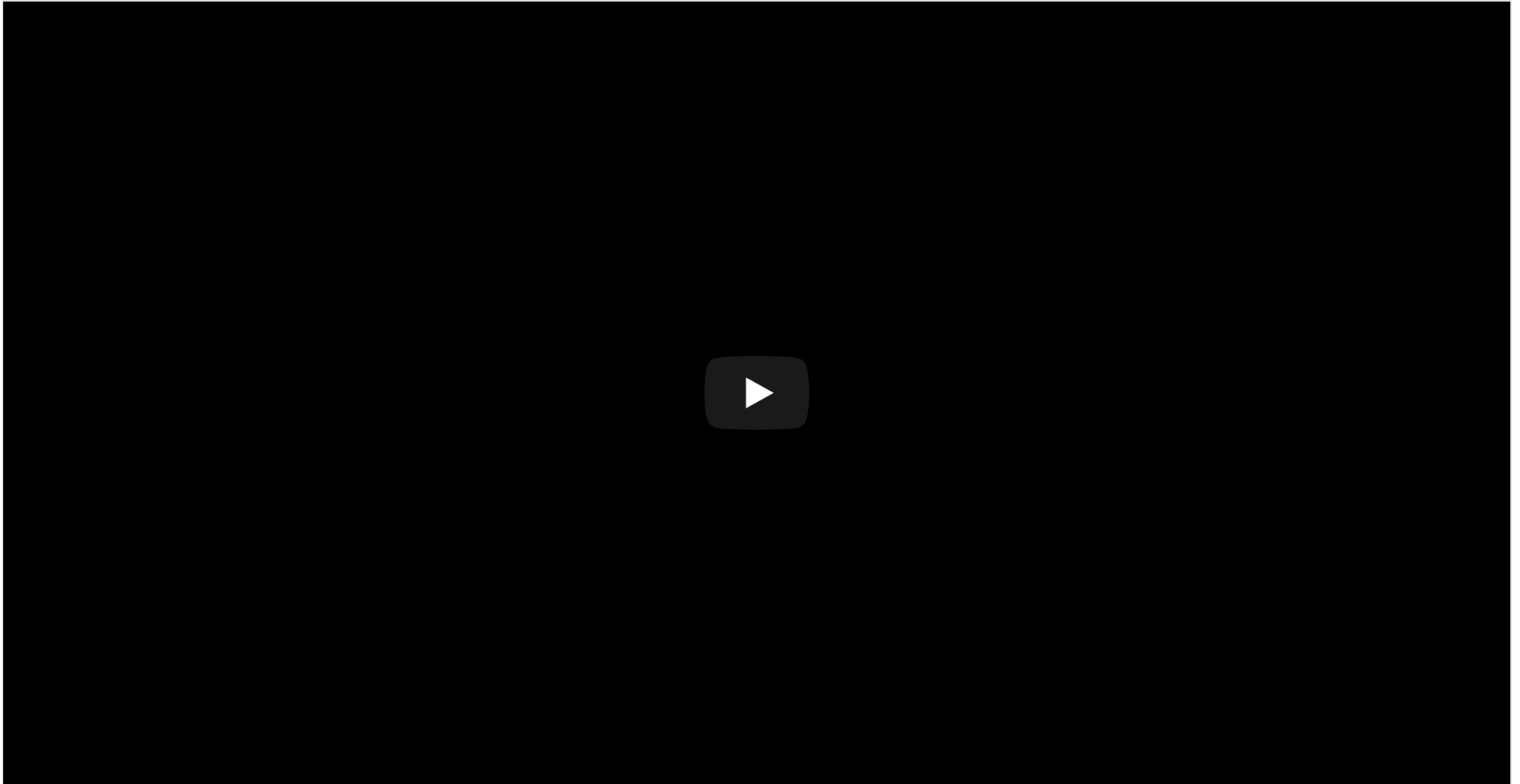
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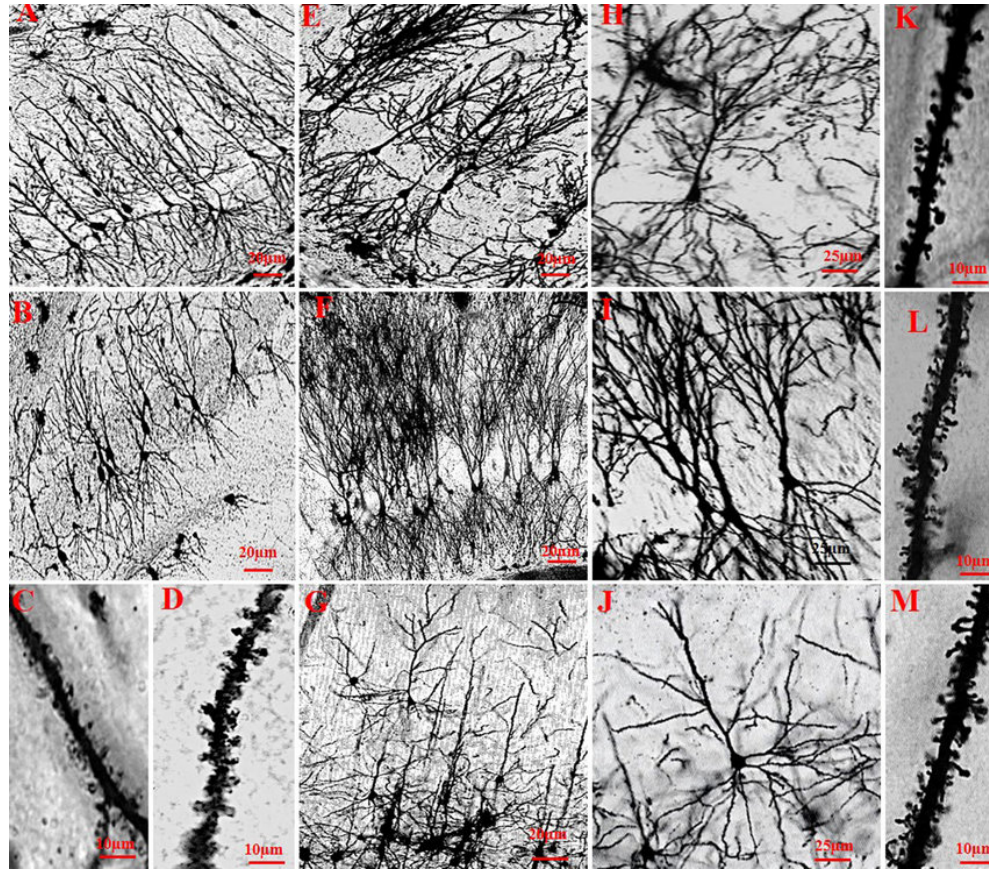
[\(Han et al., 2017\)](#)

Today's topics

- Warm-up
- Wrap-up on structural measures
- Functional measures

Warm-up

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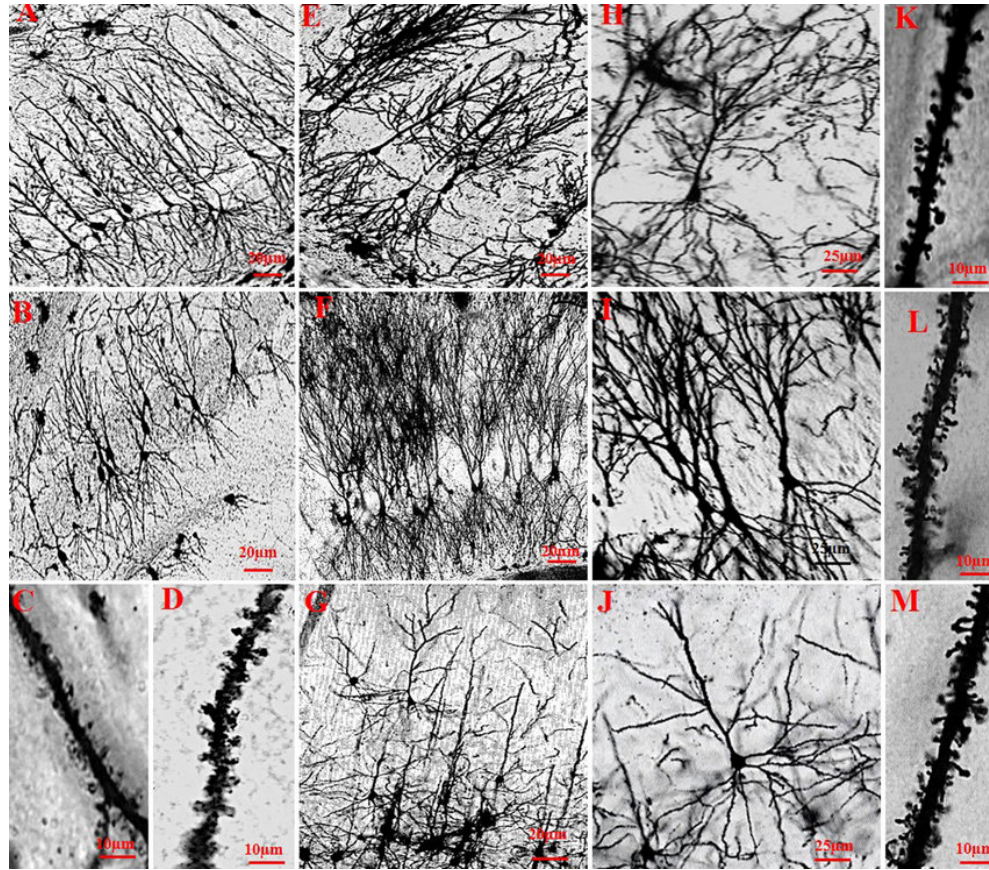
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Wrap-up on structural measures

Link to [prior class notes](#)

Functional methods

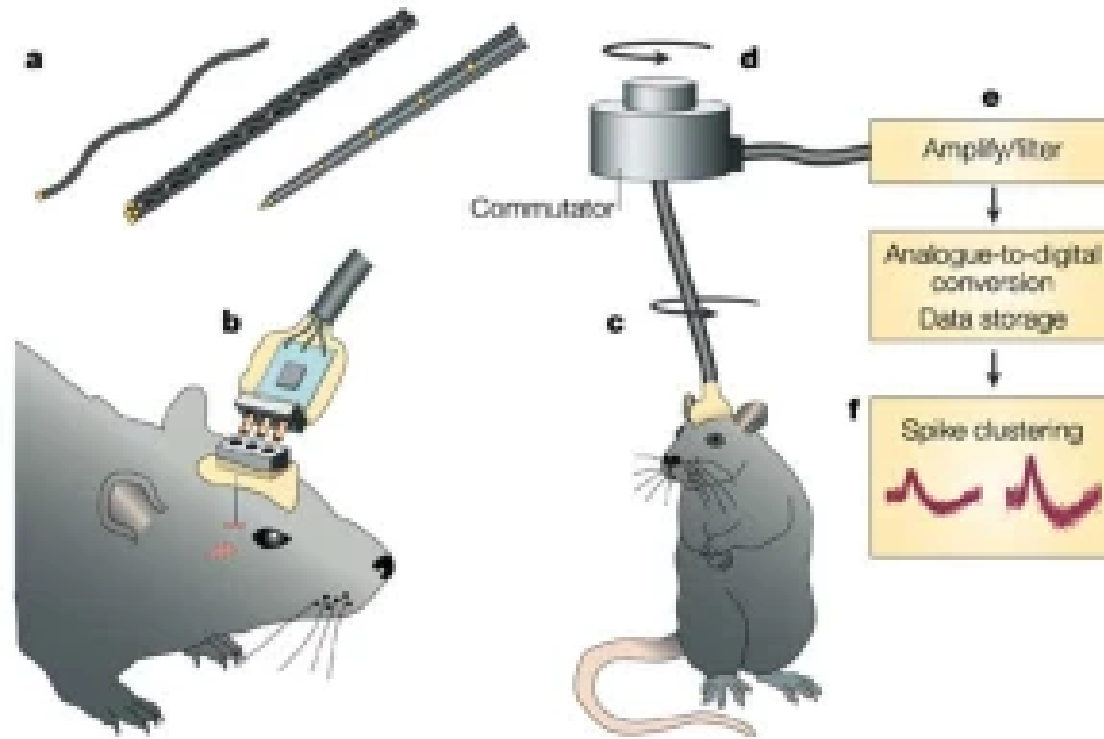
Functional methods

- Recording from the brain
- Interfering with the brain
- Stimulating the brain
- Simulating the brain

Recording from the brain

- Single/multi unit recording
 - Microelectrodes
 - Units -> Small numbers of nerve cells

Single/multi-unit Recording



Nature Reviews | Neuroscience

[\(Maren & Quirk, 2004\)](#)

Single/multi-unit recording

- What does neuron X respond to?
- High temporal (ms) & spatial resolution (um)
- Invasive
- Rarely suitable for humans, but...

Electrocorticography (ECoG)



ECoG and multimodal brain imaging

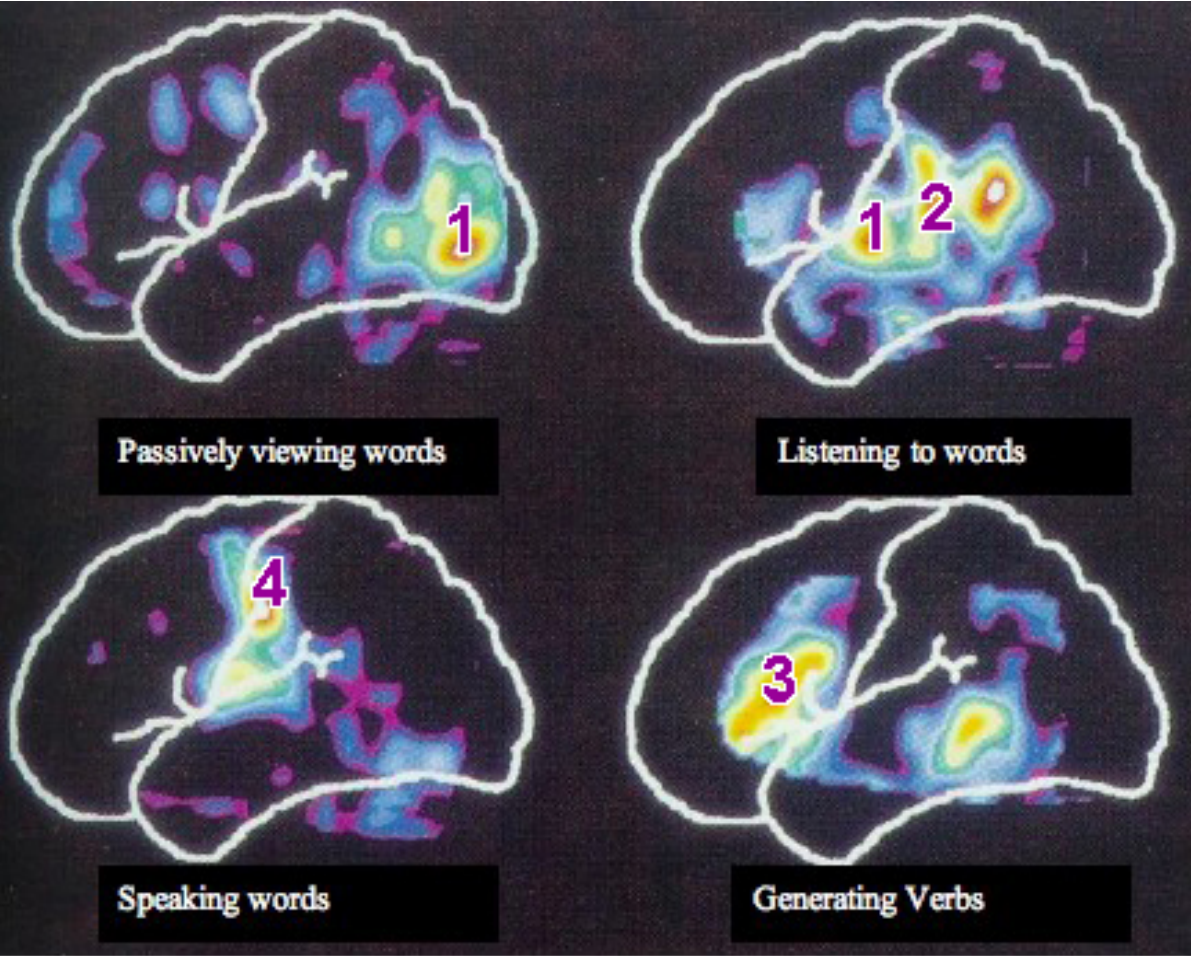
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Positron Emission Tomography (PET)



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- Radioactive tracers (glucose, oxygen)
- Positron decay
- Experimental condition - control
- Average across individuals



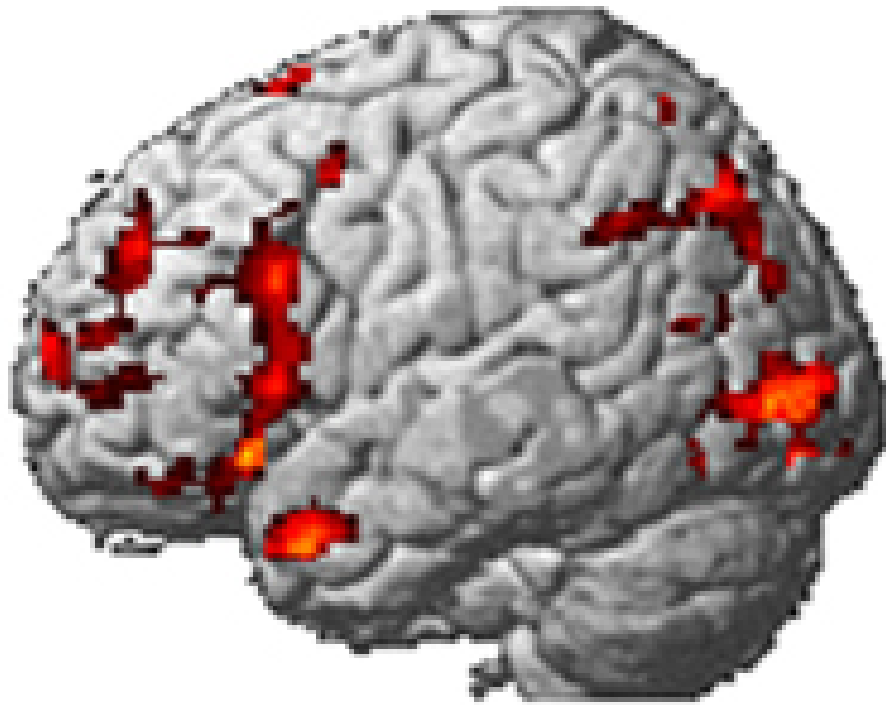
Evaluating PET

- Temporal (\sim s) and spatial (mm-cm) resolution *worse* than fMRI
- Radioactive exposures + mildly invasive
- Dose < airline crew exposure in 1 yr

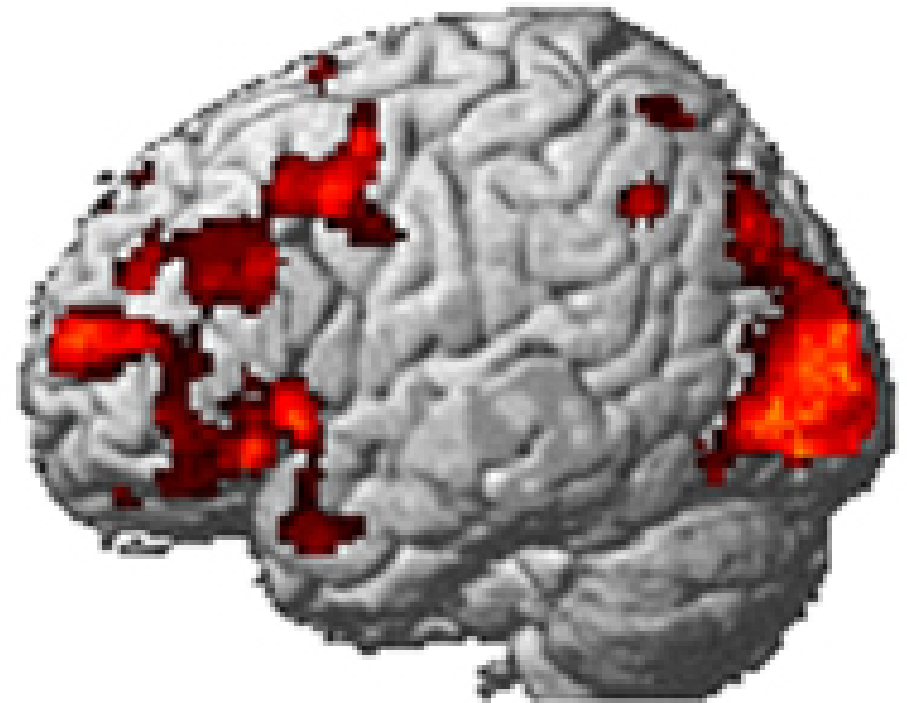
Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI)

- Neural activity -> local O_2 consumption increase
- *Blood Oxygen Level Dependent (BOLD) response*
 - Oxygenated vs. deoxygenated hemoglobin creates magnetic contrast
 - Do regional blood O_2 volumes (and flow) vary with behavior X?

fMRI

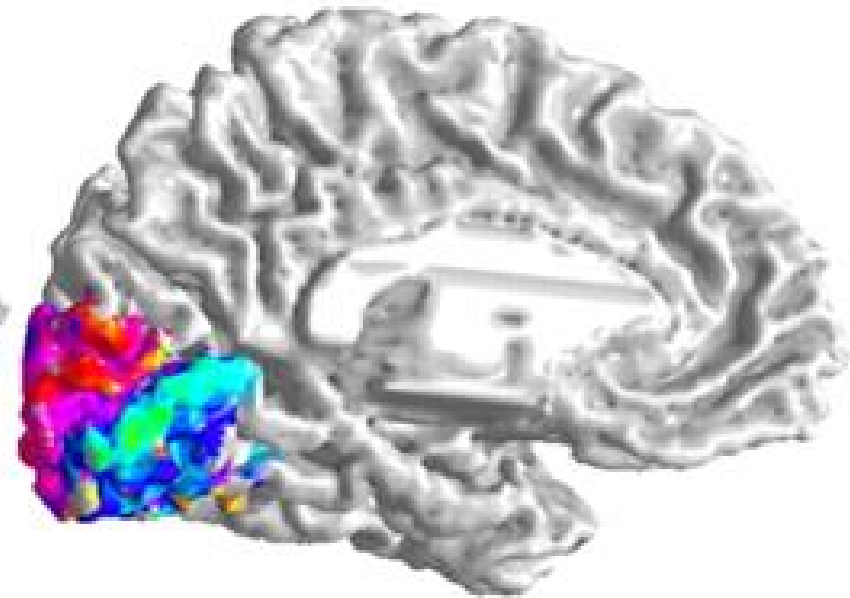
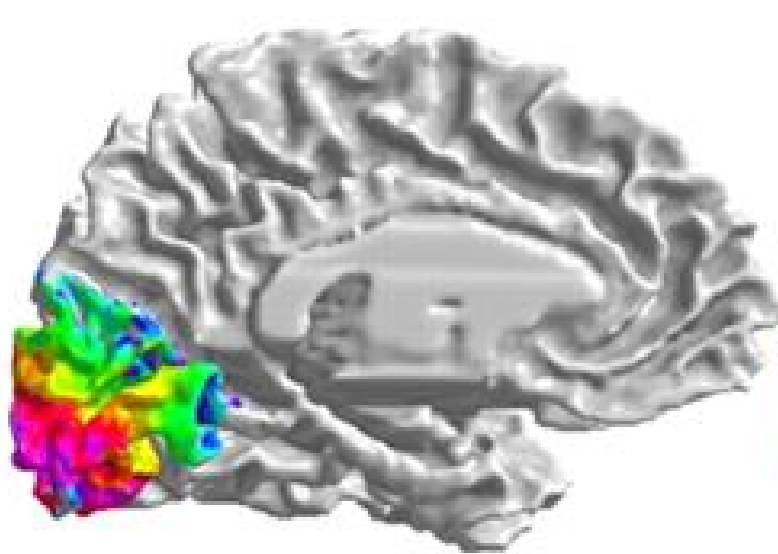
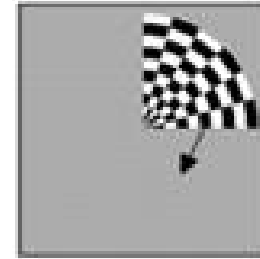
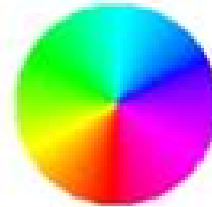
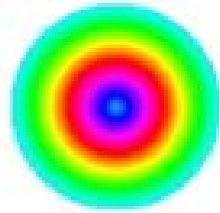
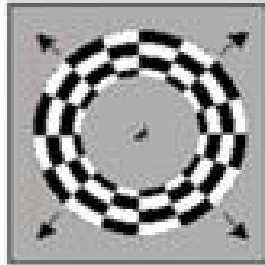


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fMRI (Dougherty et al., 2003)



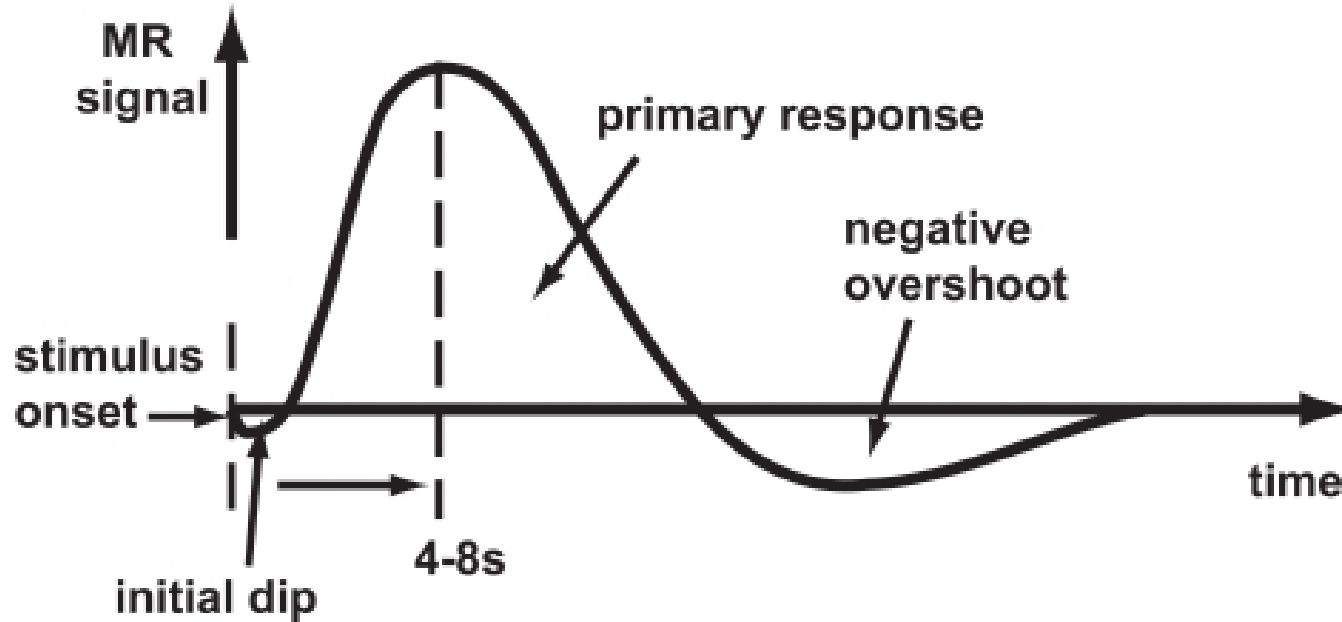




Evaluating fMRI

- Non-invasive, but expensive
- Moderate but improving (mm) spatial, temporal (~sec) resolution
- **Indirect** measure of brain activity
- Hemodynamic Response Function (HRF)
 - 1s delay plus 3-6 s 'initial-dip'

Hemodynamic Response Function (HRF)



Electroencephalography (EEG)

- How does it work?
 - Electrodes on scalp or brain surface
- What do we measure?
 - Combined activity of huge # of neurons

EEG


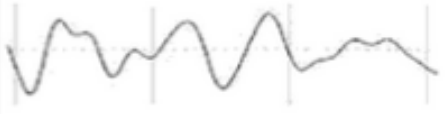

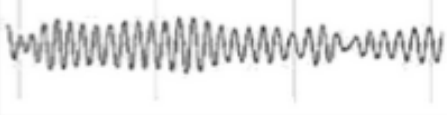



<https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/2/26/Spike-waves.png>

EEG

- High/fine temporal resolution but poor spatial resolution
- Analyze frequency bands
 - LOW: deep sleep
 - MIDDLE: Quiet, alert state
 - HIGH: "Binding" information across senses

EEG Frequency

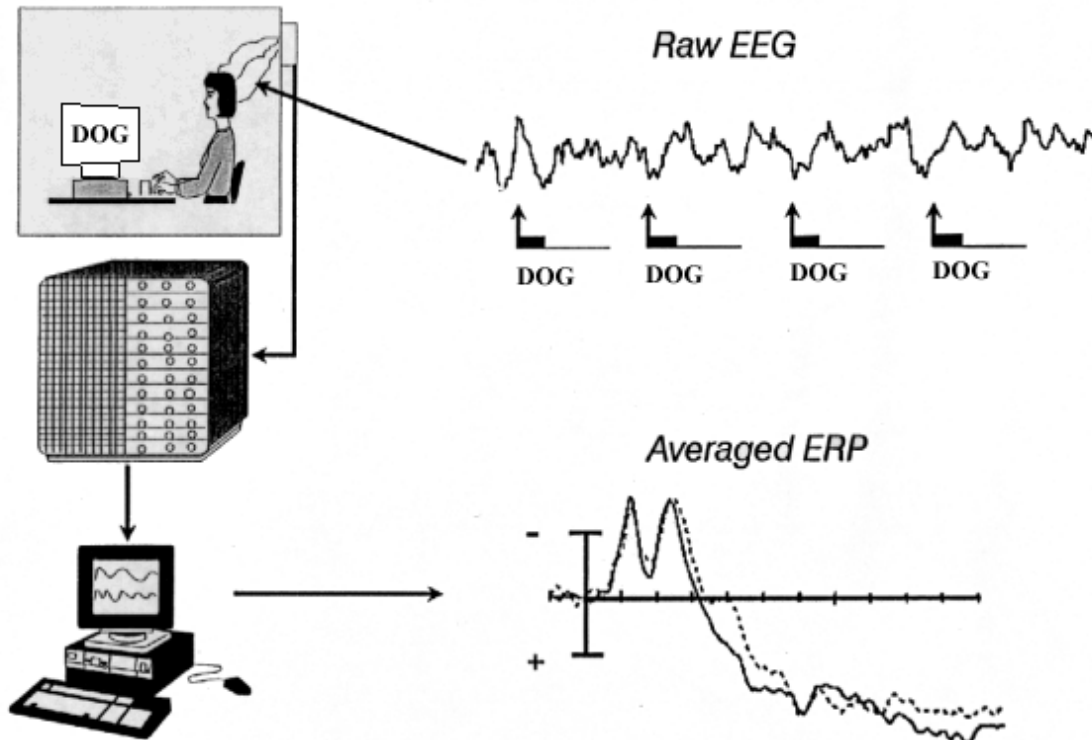
| Frequency Band Name | Frequency Bandwidth | State Associated with Bandwidth | Example of Filtered Bandwidth |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Raw EEG | 0–45 Hz | Awake |  |
| Delta | 0.5–3.5 Hz | Deep Sleep |  |
| Theta | 4–7.5 Hz | Drowsy |  |
| Alpha | 8–12 Hz | Relaxed |  |
| Beta | 13–35 Hz | Engaged |  |

Event-related potentials (ERPs)

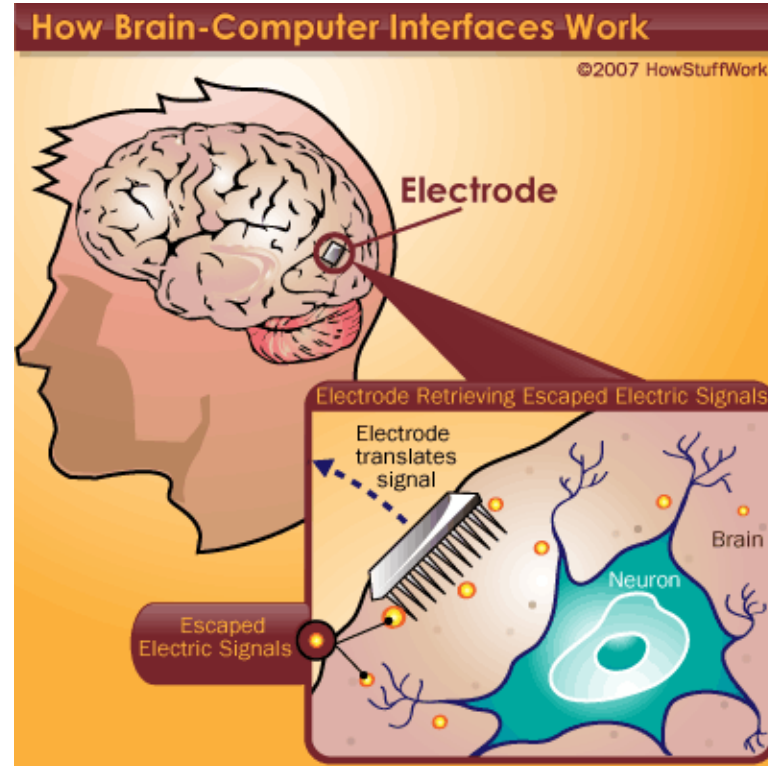
- EEGs time-locked to some event
- Averaged over many trials

ERPs

Event-Related Potential Technique



Brain Computer Interface (BCI)



<https://cdn.hswstatic.com/gif/brain-computer-interface-3.gif>

Magneto-encephalography (MEG)

- Like EEG, but measuring magnetic fields
- High temporal resolution, low spatial resolution
- Magnetic field propagates w/o distortion

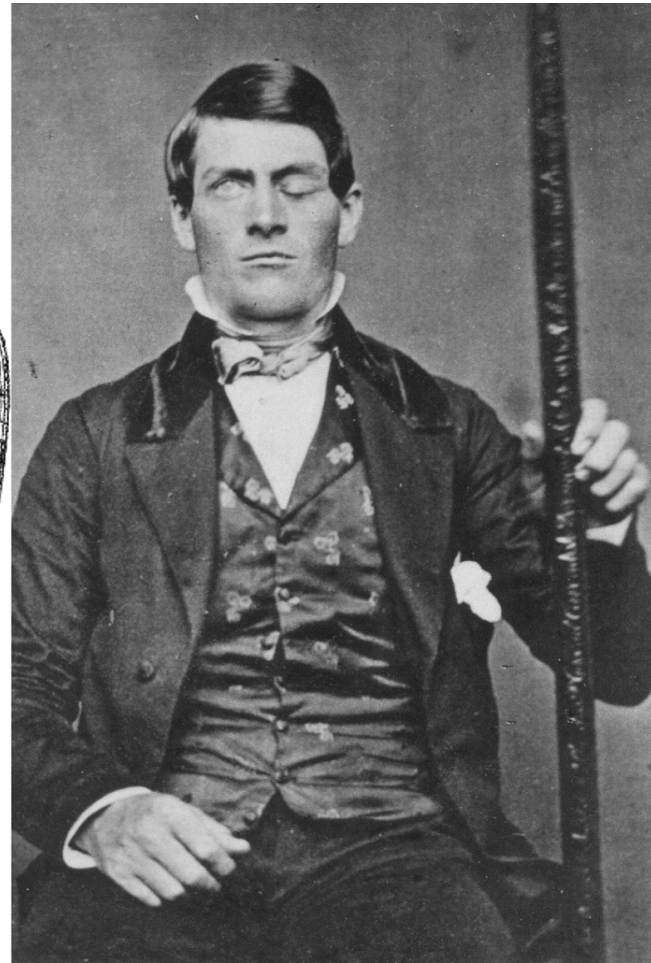
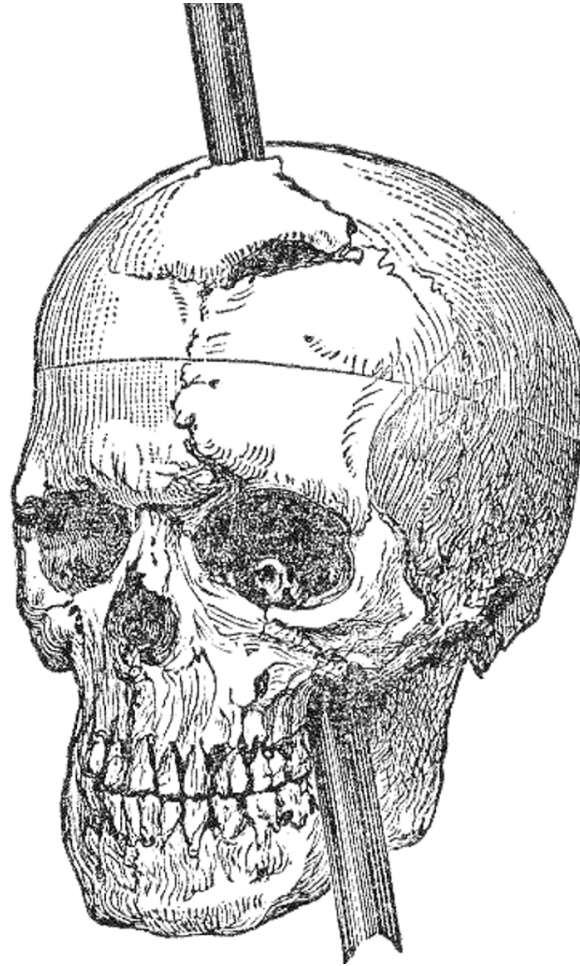
MEG



Manipulating the brain

- Nature's "experiments"
 - Stroke, head injury, tumor
 - Neuropsychology
- If damage to X impairs performance on Y -> X critical for/controls Y
- Poor spatial/temporal resolution, limited experimental control

Phineas Gage



<http://www.doctorsimpossible.com/the-curious-case-of-phineas-gage/>

Bestselling author of *Awakenings* and *A Leg to Stand On*

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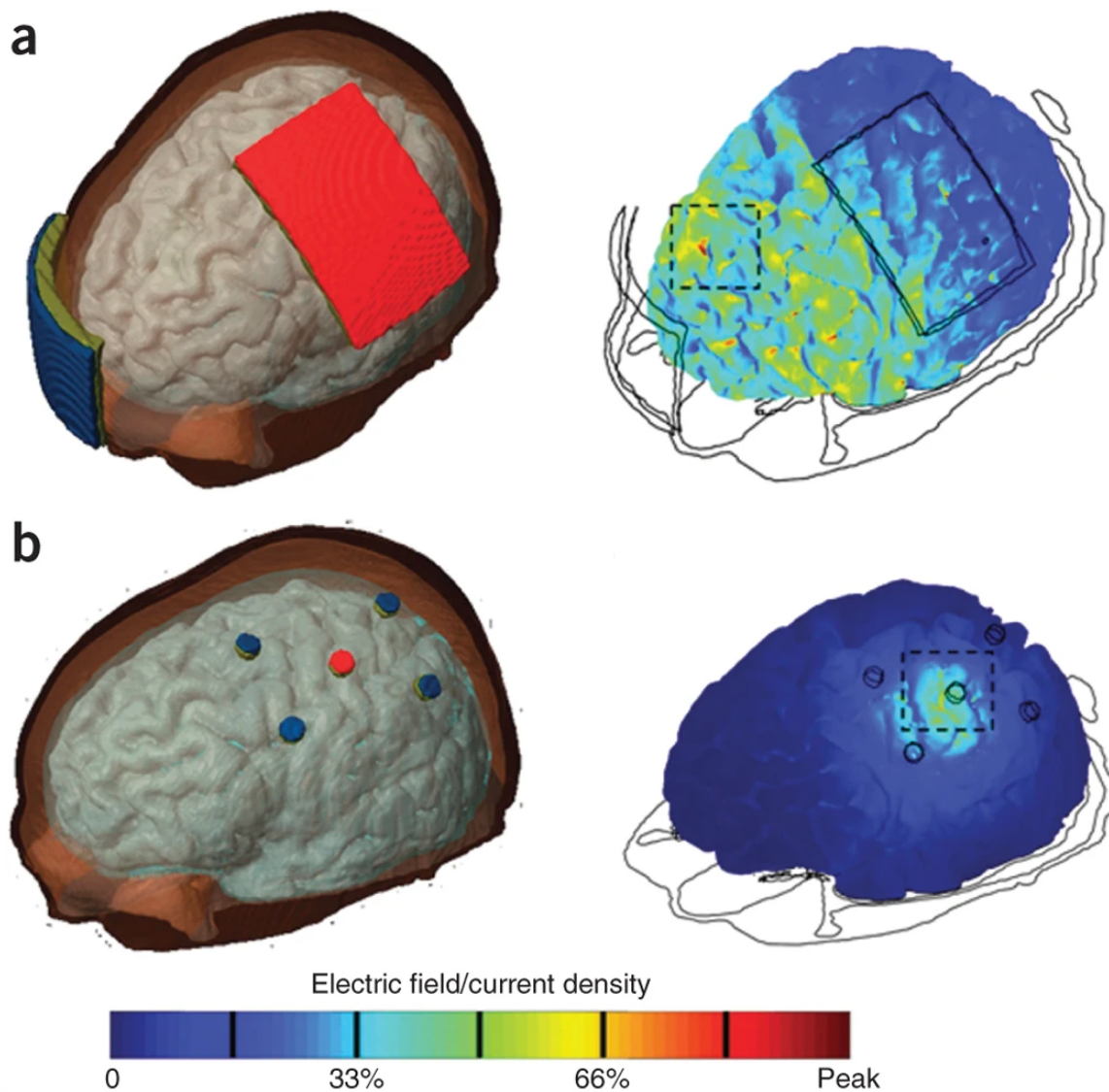
"Thoughtful, compassionate, moving... the lucidity and power of a gifted writer."

— John C. Marshall, *The New York Times Book Review*

Stimulating the brain

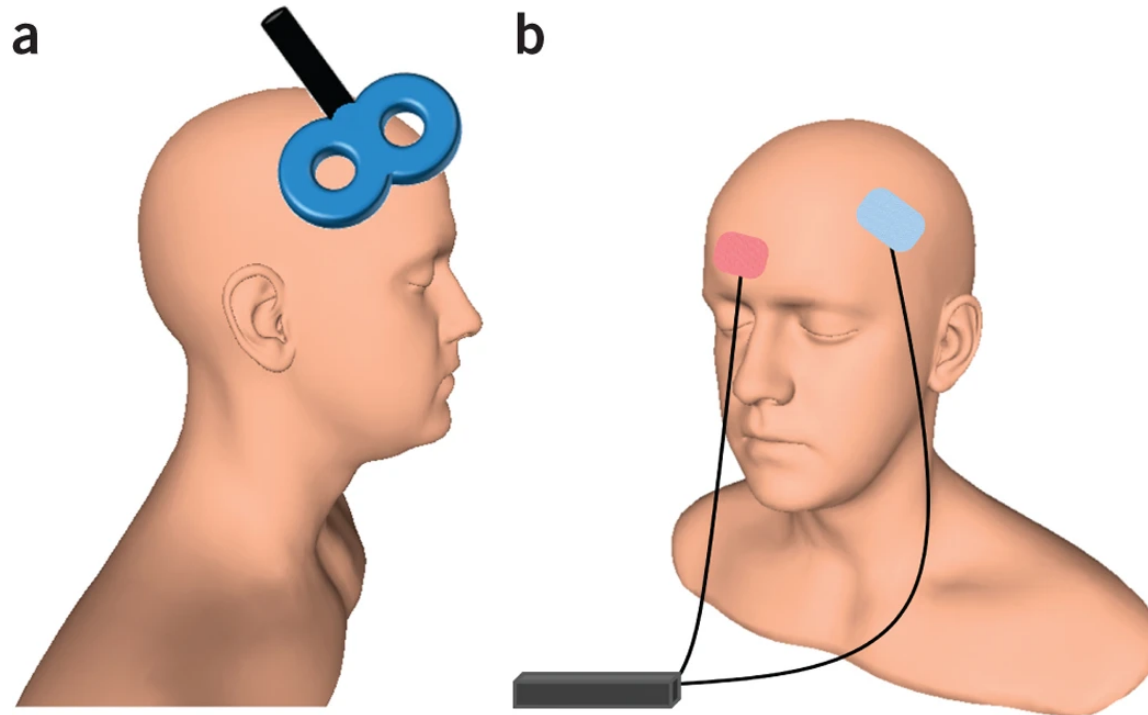
- Pharmacological
- Electrical ([transcranial Direct Current Stimulation - tDCS](#))
- Magnetic (Transcranial magnetic stimulation - *TMS*)
- Optically (optogenetics)

tDCS



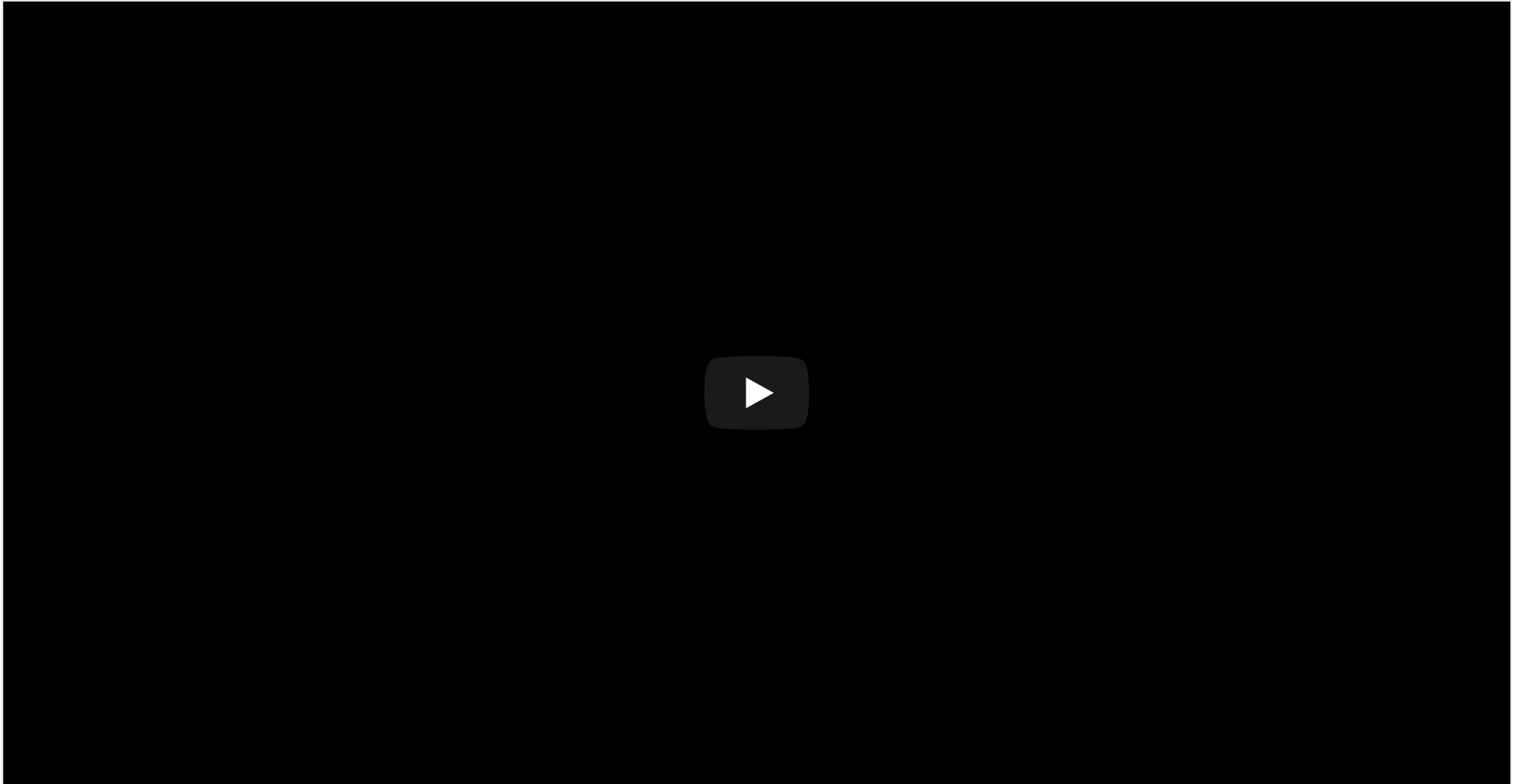
(Dayan, Censor, Buch, Sandrini, & Cohen, 2013)

TMS



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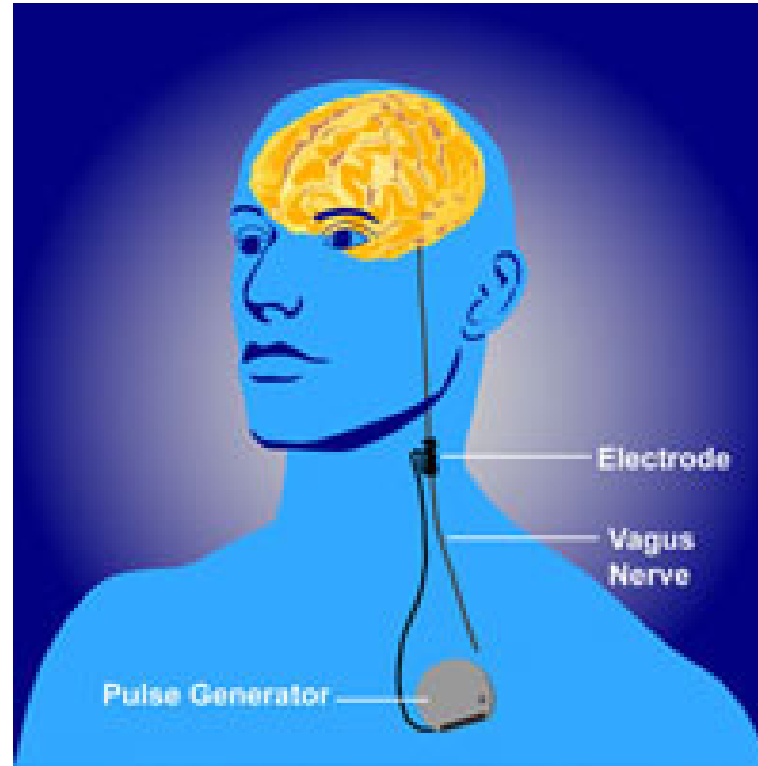
Optogenetic stimulation



Evaluating stimulation methods

- Spatial/temporal resolution?
 - Does stimulation mimic natural activity?
 - Optogenetic stimulation highly similar, others less so
- Deep brain stimulation as therapy
 - Parkinson's Disease
 - Depression
 - Epilepsy

Deep brain stimulation



<https://www.nimh.nih.gov/health/topics/brain-stimulation-therapies/brain-stimulation-therapies>

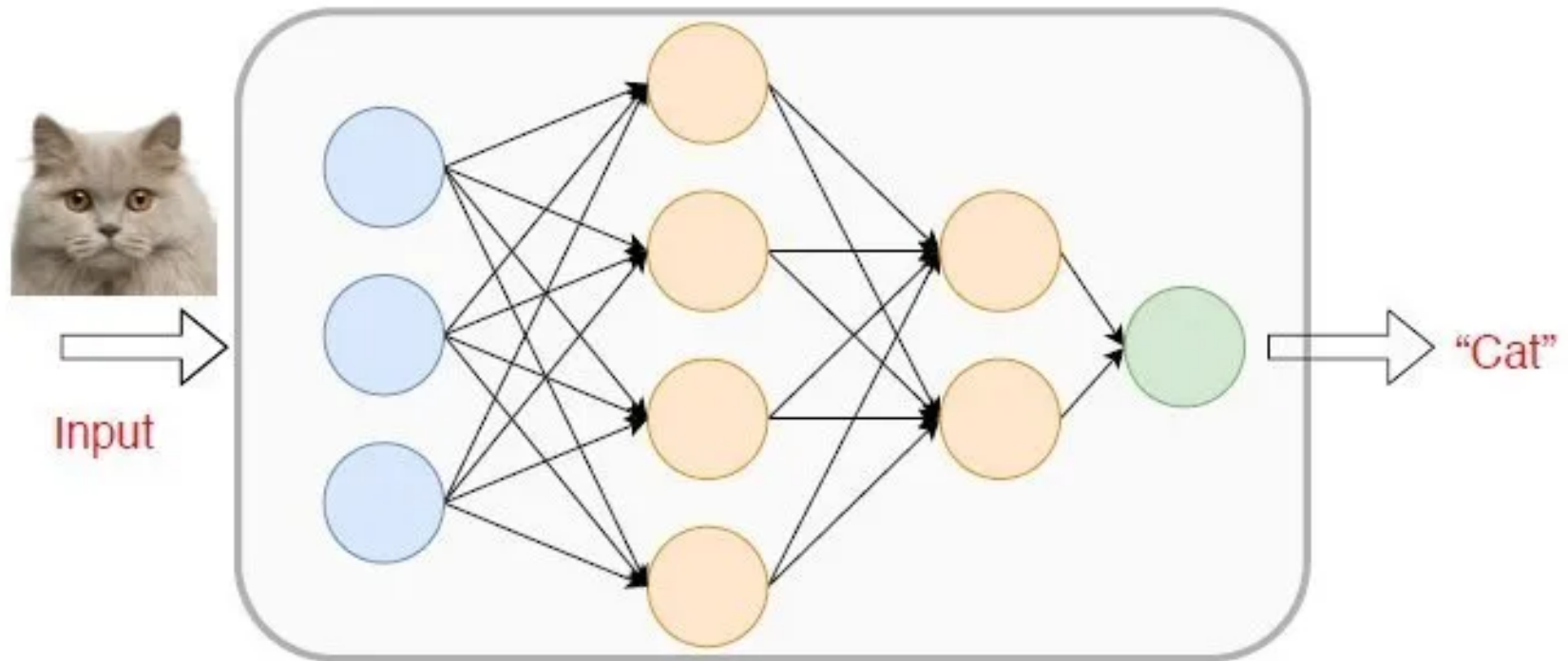


Simulating the brain

- Computer/mathematical models of brain function
- Example: neural networks
- Cheap, noninvasive, can be stimulated or “lesioned”

Application: AI

Multilayer Perceptrons

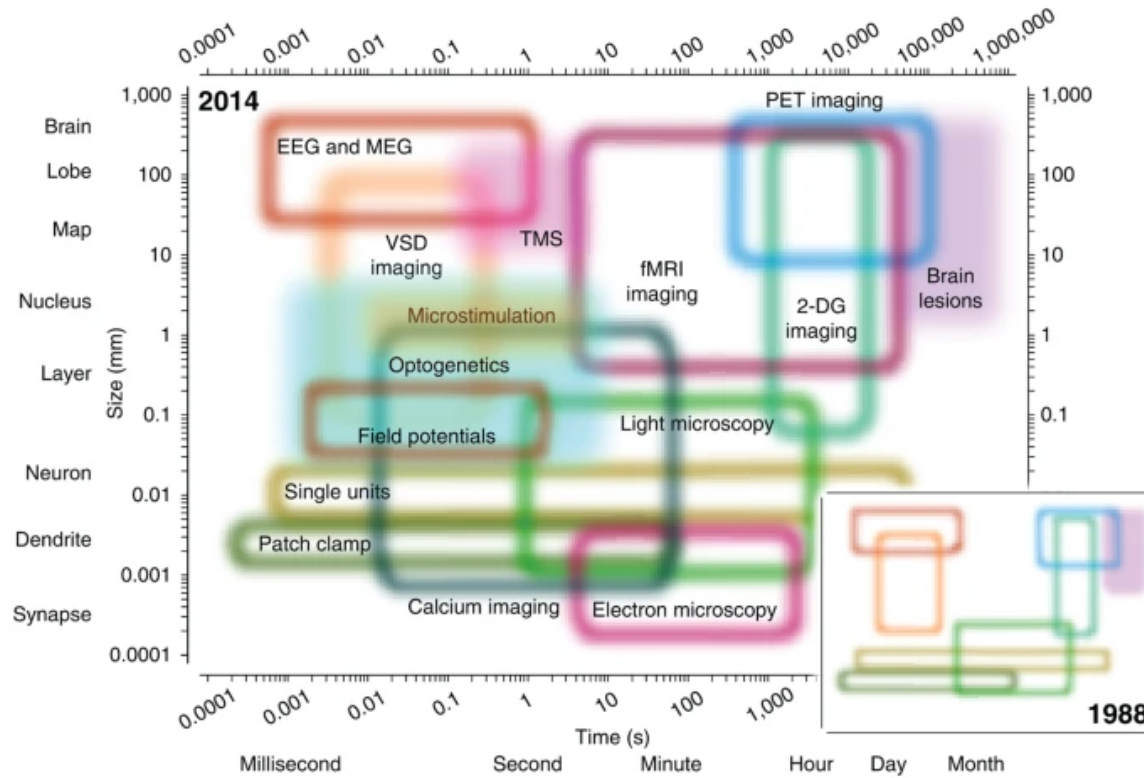


<https://viso.ai/deep-learning/deep-neural-network-three-popular-types/>



(Redmon, 2018)

Spatial and Temporal Resolution

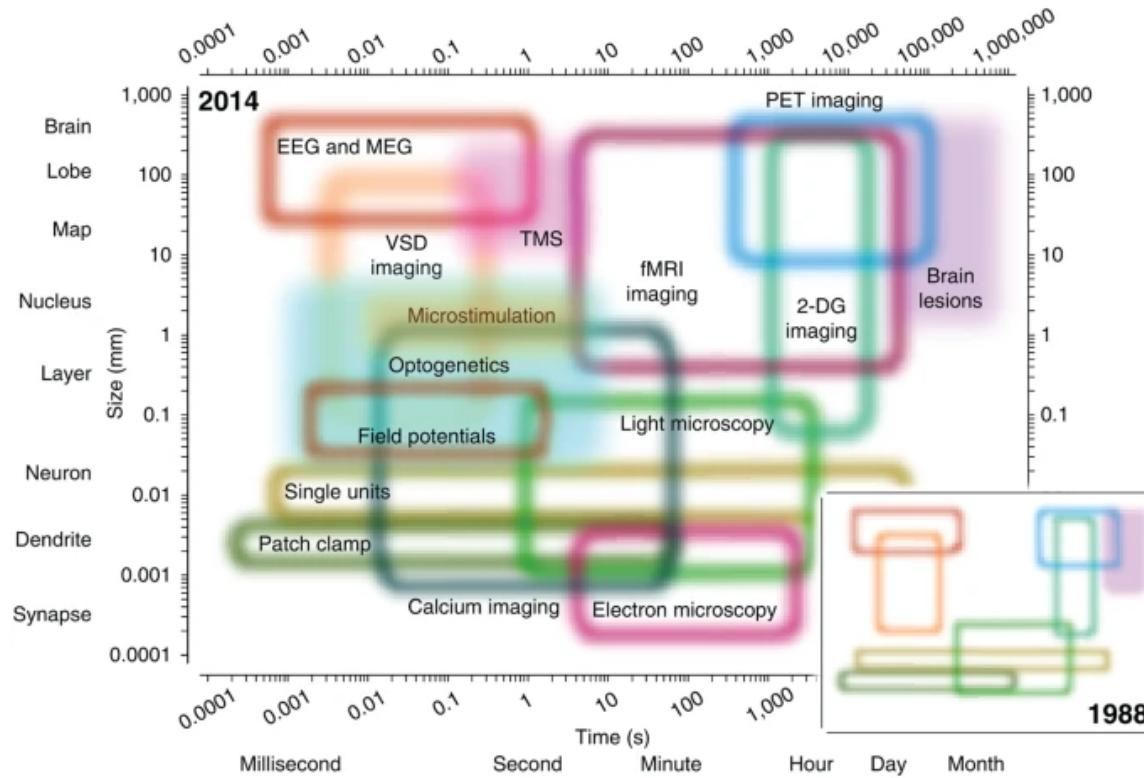


[\(Sejnowski, Churchland, & Movshon, 2014\)](#)

Bottom line...

- Neuroscientists...
 - need to use many tools
 - seek converging evidence

Spatial and Temporal Resolution



(Sejnowski, Churchland, & Movshon, 2014)

Next time...

- Brain anatomy (through song & dance)

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