

Linearity / Time Invariance

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Linearity

- A system is *linear* if and only if:

$$f(Ax) = Af(x)$$

- It is time invariant if

$$y(t) = f(x(t)) \text{ and}$$

$$y(t + \delta) = f(x(t + \delta))$$

for all δ .



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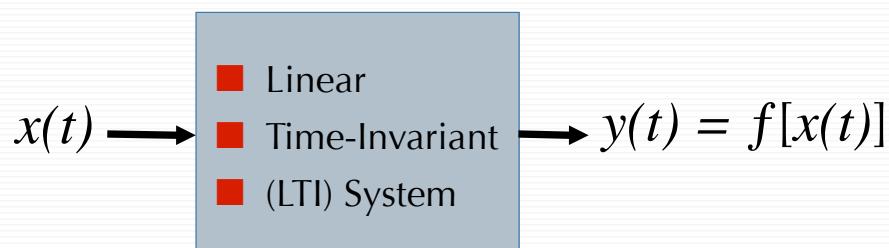
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Linear Systems Approach

In an LTI system, given two inputs A & B:

$$f(A + B) = f(A) + f(B)$$



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*Everything is Linear to First Order

*Almost

“The faster you drive, the quicker you will get there.”

“If you pull a rubber band twice as hard, it will become twice as long.”

“If you hit a ball twice as hard, it will go twice as far.”



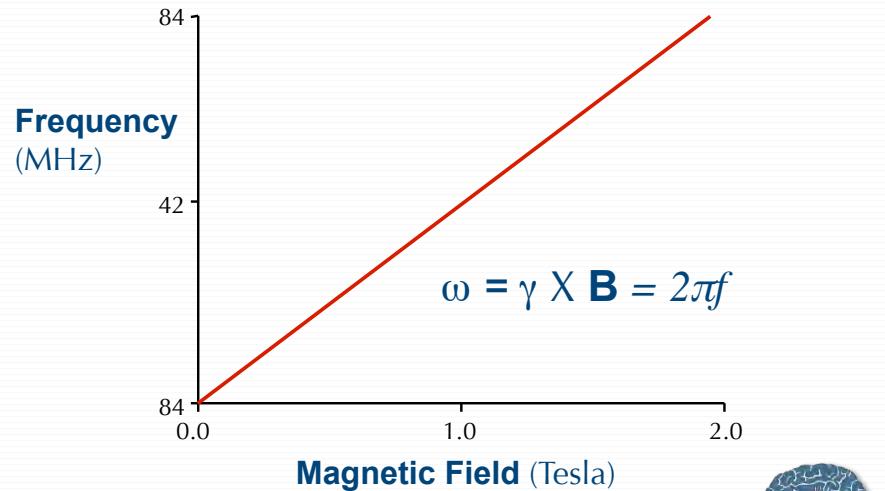
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The Larmor Relation



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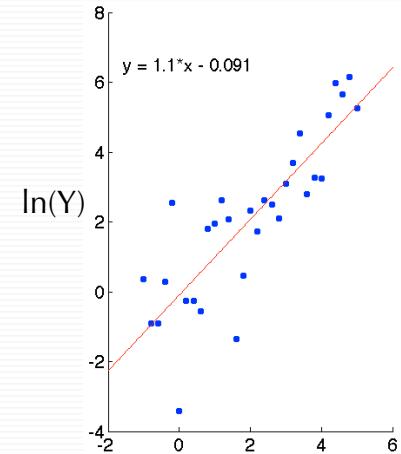
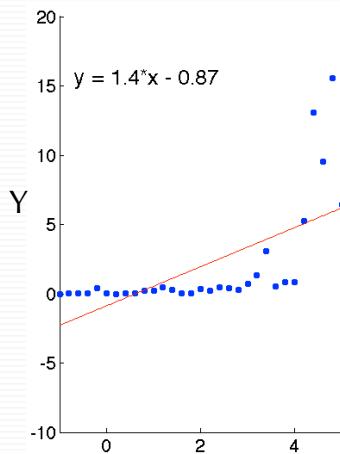
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Linearization



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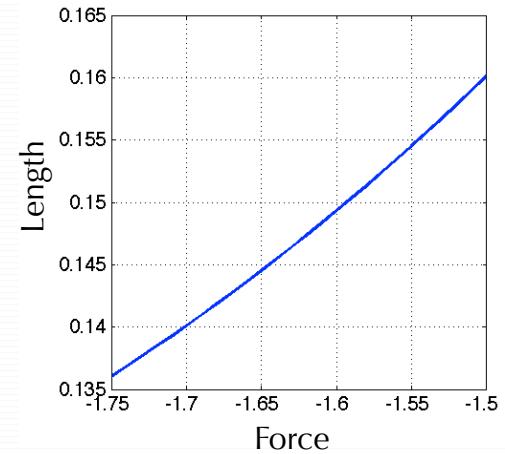


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Linearity - Examples



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Moving Average



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2D Convolution



Reference Figure



Boxcar

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Reference Figure



Laplacian

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Reference Figure



Gaussian

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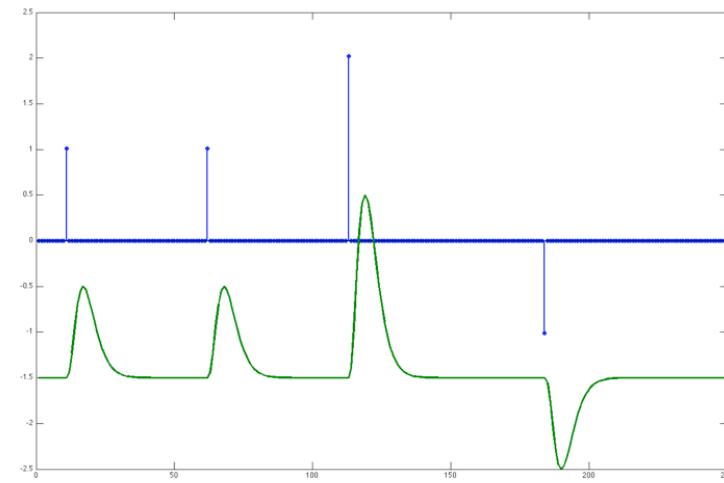
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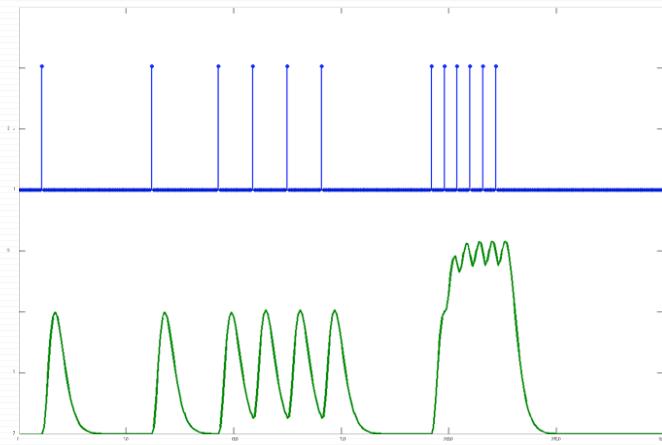
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Impulse Response: *scale and shift*



Impulse Response *superposition*



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Impulse Responses

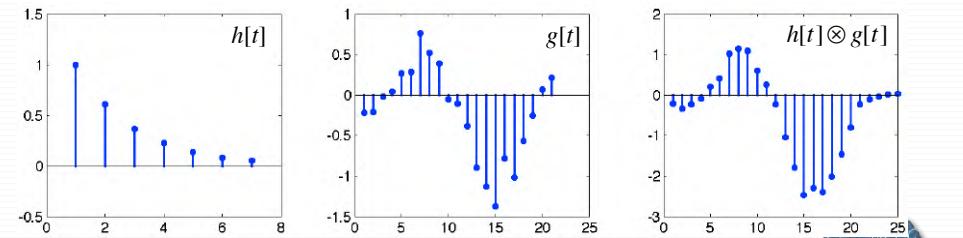
$$g[t] = g_0 + g_1[1] + g_2[2] + \dots + g_n[n] + \dots$$

$$h[t] = h_0 + h_1[1] + h_2[2] + \dots + h_n[n] + \dots$$

$$y[t] = g_0 h[t] + g_1[1]h[t-1] + g_2[2]h[t-2] + \dots + g_n[n]h[t-n] + \dots$$

$$= g[t] \otimes h[t]$$

$$= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} g[k]h[n-k]$$



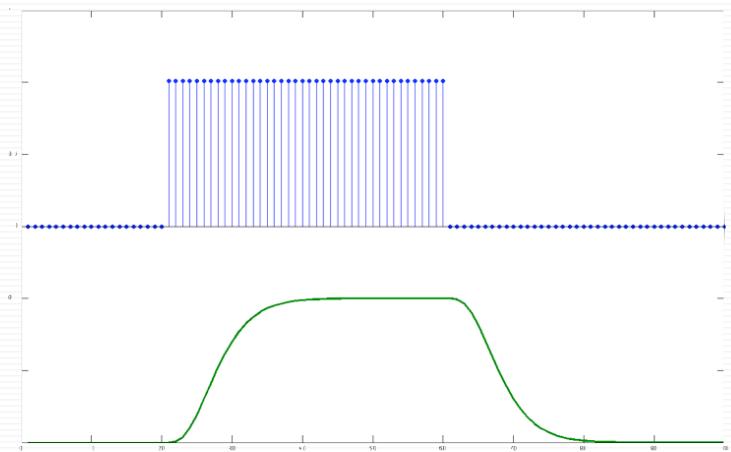
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Rapid Events -> Blocks



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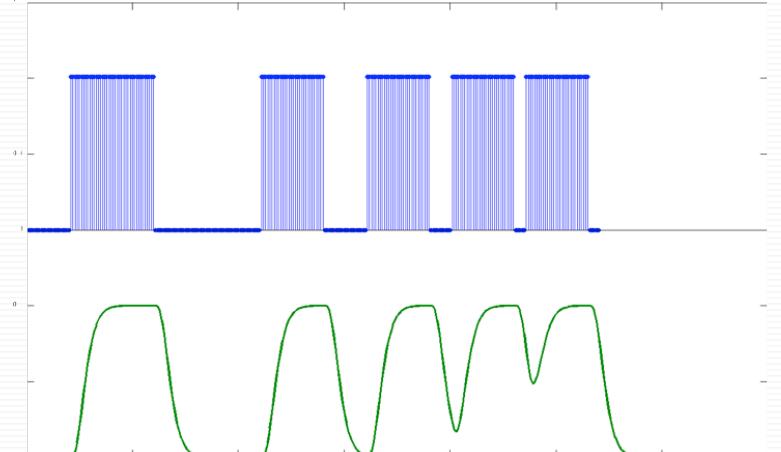
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Blocks and Baseline



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Continuous Convolution

$$g[n] \otimes h[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} g[k]h[n-k]$$

Discrete domain

$$g(t) \otimes h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\tau)h(t-\tau)d\tau$$

Continuous domain

See a great article convolution at:

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Convolution>

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Properties of Convolution

Distributivity

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) \otimes (g(t) + h(t)) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)[g(t-\tau) + h(t-\tau)]d\tau \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)g(t-\tau)d\tau + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)h(t-\tau)d\tau \\ &= f(t) \otimes g(t) + f(t) \otimes h(t) \end{aligned}$$

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Properties of Convolution

Commutativity

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) \otimes g(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)g(t-\tau)d\tau \\ u &= t - \tau \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t-u)g(u)d(t-u) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t-u)g(u)du \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(u)f(t-u)du \\ &= g(t) \otimes f(t) \end{aligned}$$

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Properties of Convolution

Associativity

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) \otimes (g(t) \otimes h(t)) &= f(t) \otimes \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\tau)h(t-\tau)d\tau \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\varphi) \otimes \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(\tau)h(t-\tau-\varphi)d\tau d\varphi \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\varphi) \otimes \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t-\tau-\varphi)d\varphi (g(\tau)d\tau) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (f(\varphi)h(t-\tau-\varphi)d\varphi) \otimes g(\tau)d\tau \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\varphi)h(t-\varphi)d\varphi \otimes g(\tau) \\ &= (f(t) \otimes g(t)) \otimes h(t). \end{aligned}$$

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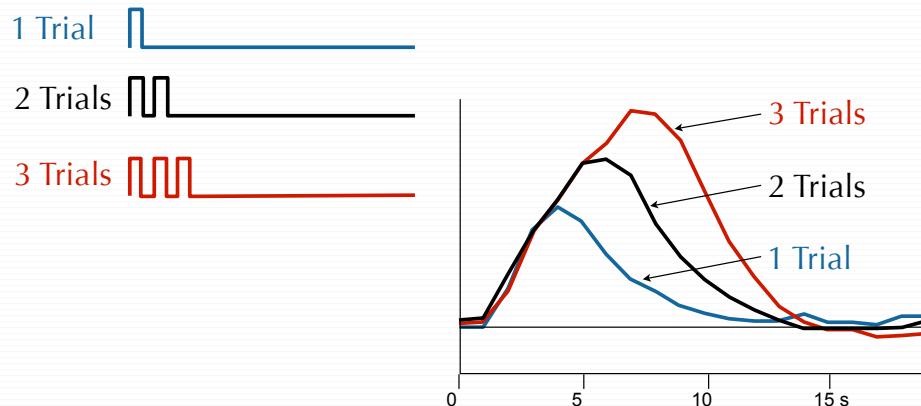
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Time Invariance



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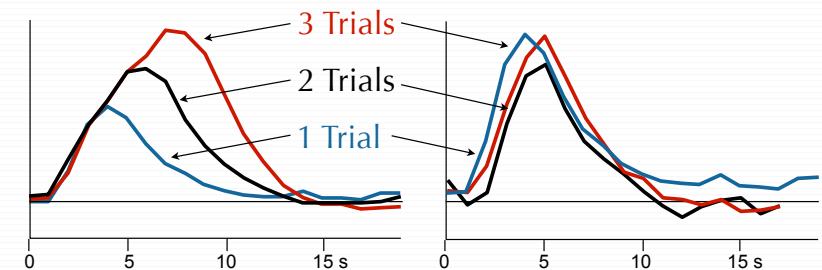
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Time Invariance?



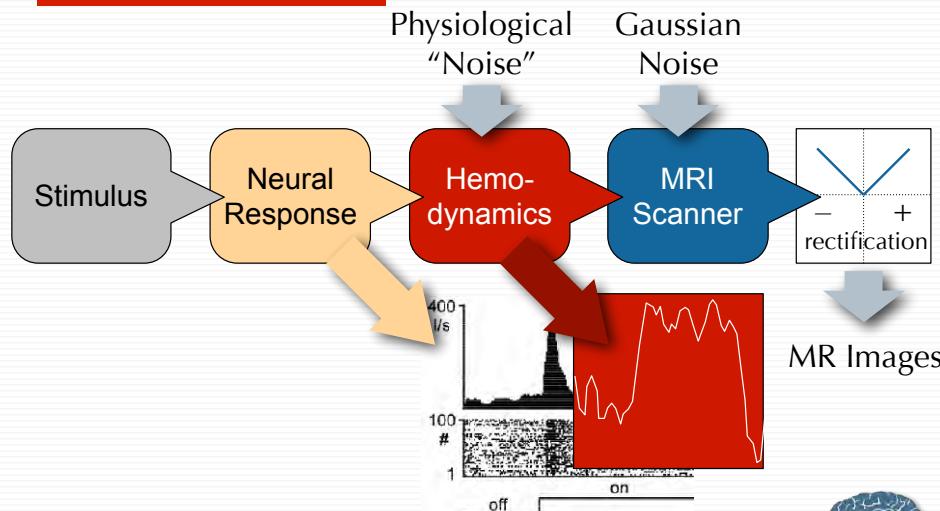
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Transfer Function Model



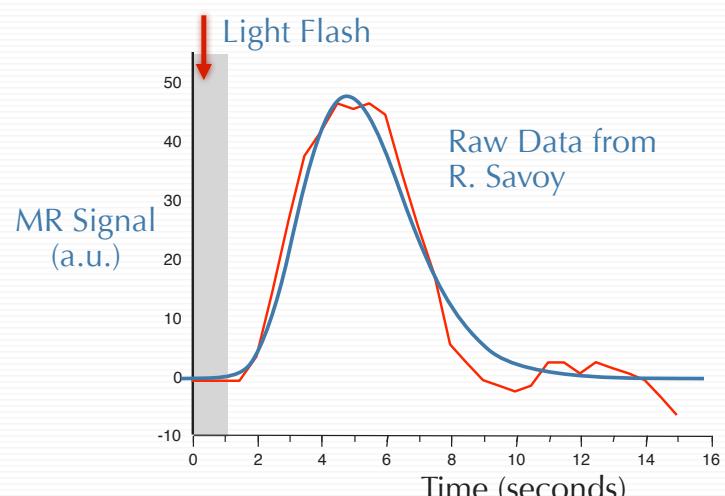
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Brain Impulse Response



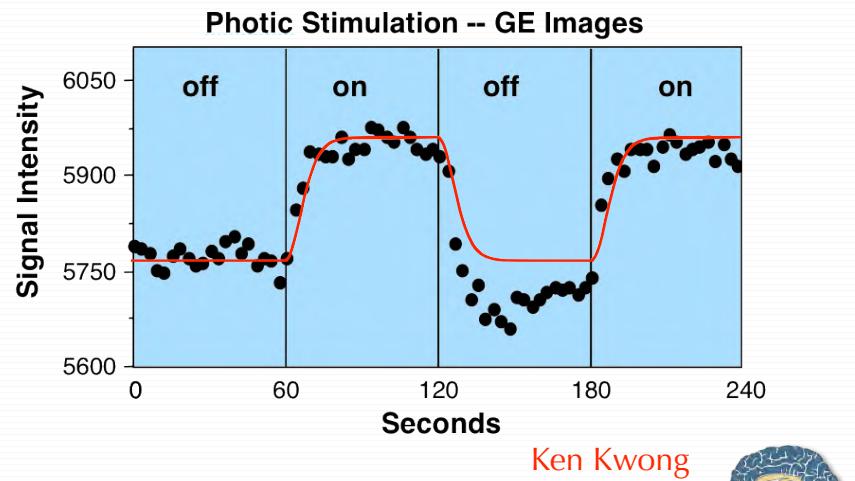
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Gradient-Recalled Echo



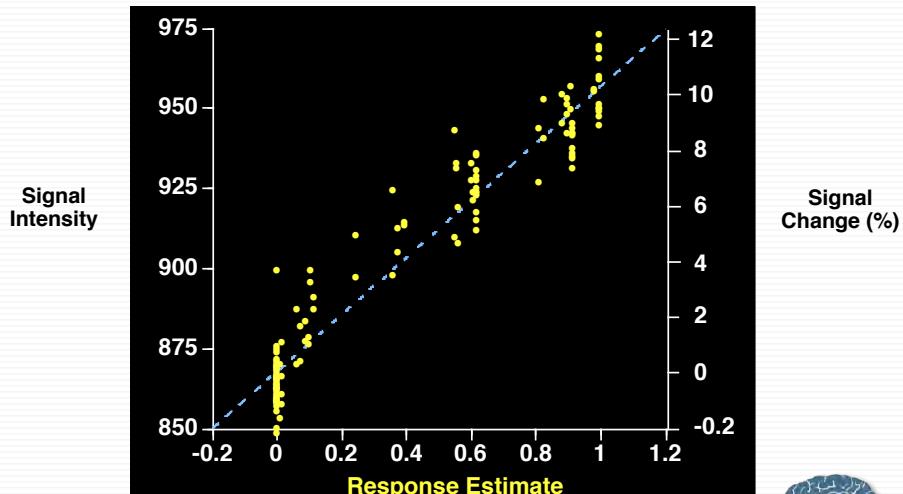
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Estimated vs. Actual fMRI Response



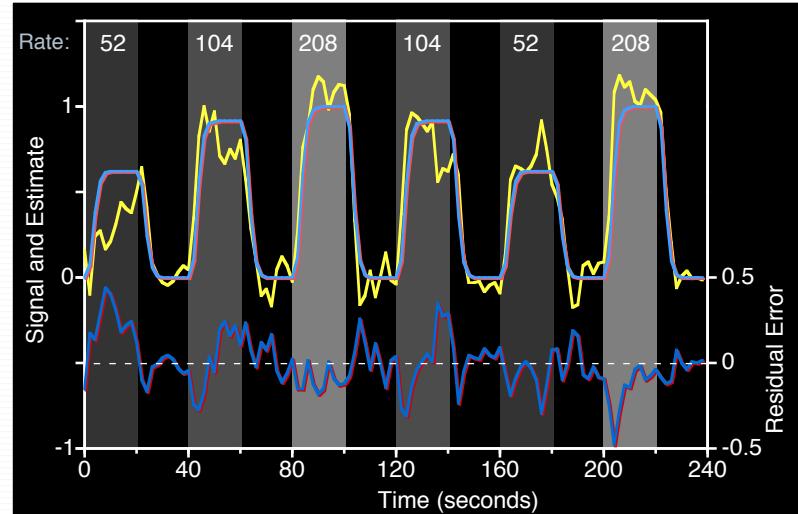
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Amplitude-weighted Linear Estimate



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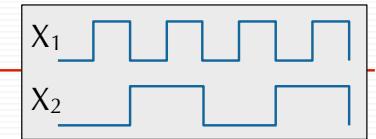
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General Linear Model

(matrix form)



$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}_1\beta_1 + \mathbf{X}_2\beta_2 + \varepsilon$$

$$\mathbf{Y} = f(\mathbf{X}_1)\beta_1 + f(\mathbf{X}_2)\beta_2 + \varepsilon$$

$$\mathbf{Y} = \ln(\mathbf{X}_1)\beta_1 + \ln(\mathbf{X}_2)\beta_2 + \varepsilon$$

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}_1\beta_1 + \mathbf{X}_2\beta_2 + \mathbf{X}_1\mathbf{X}_2\beta_3 + \varepsilon$$

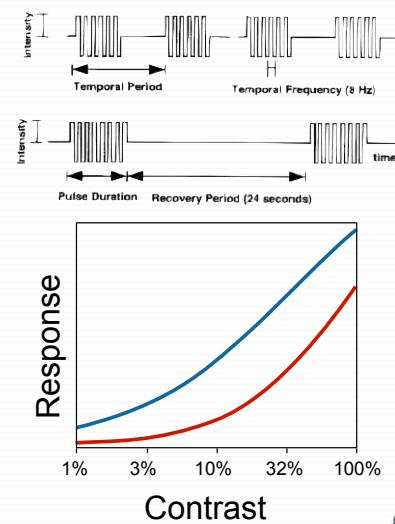
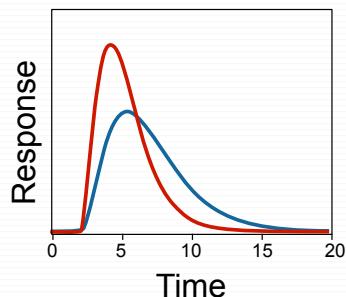


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Time Invariance (redux)



Boynton, et al., 1996

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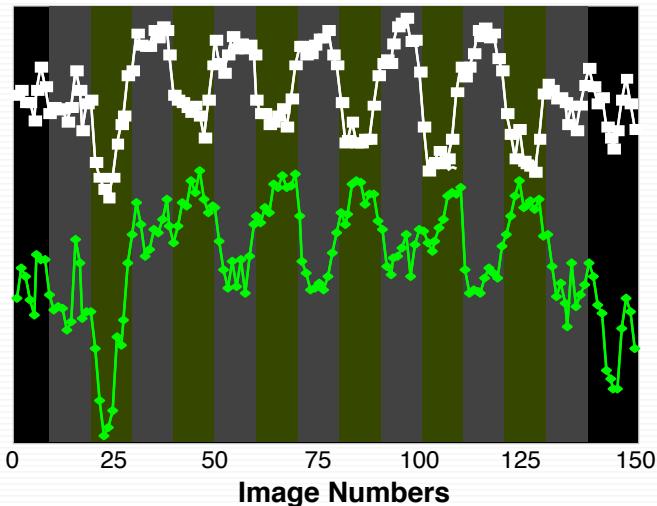
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Hemifield Alteration 20 seconds



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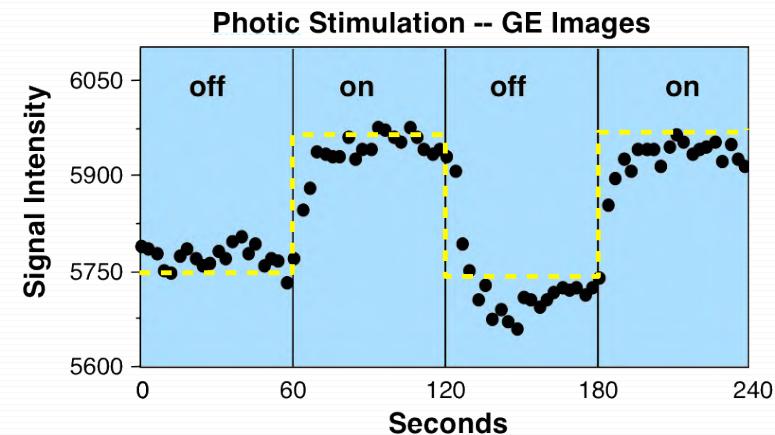
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Gradient-Recalled Echo



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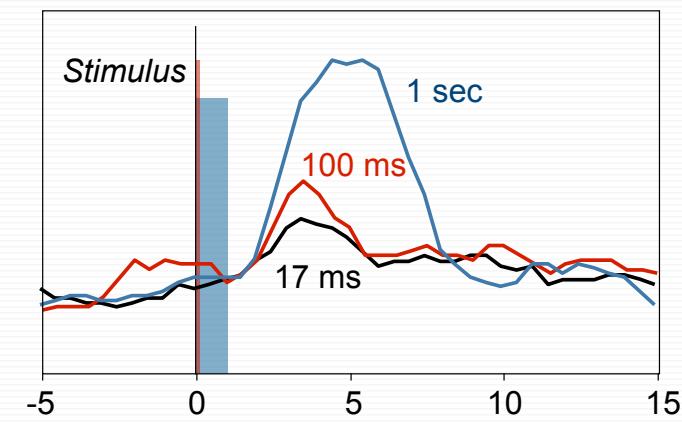
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Response Latency vs. Stimulus Duration Average of 10 recordings



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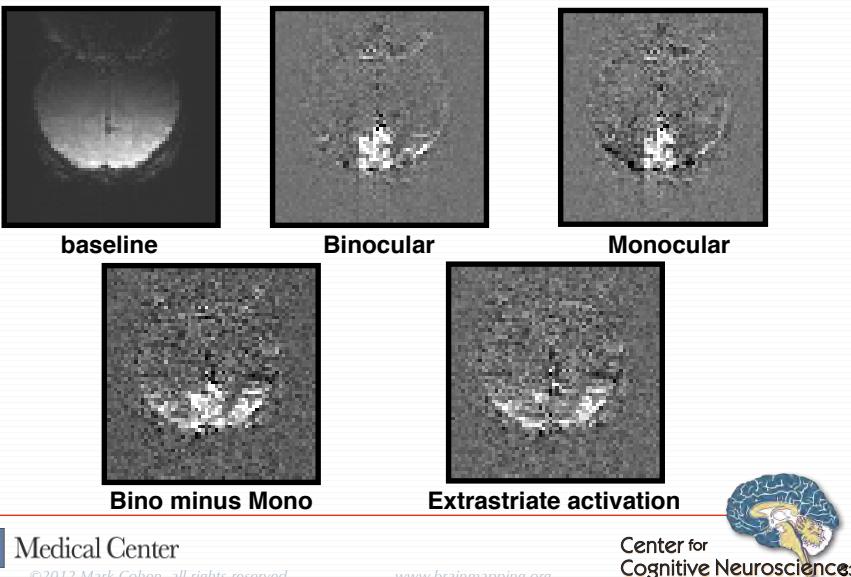
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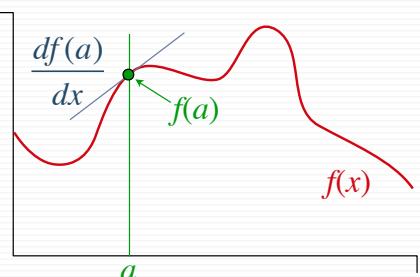
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Binocular vs Monocular Activation



The Taylor Series

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f(a)(x-a)^0 + \frac{df(a)}{dx} \frac{(x-a)^1}{1!} + \frac{d^2f(a)}{dx^2} \frac{(x-a)^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{d^n f(a)}{dx^n} \frac{(x-a)^n}{n!} + \dots \\ &= \sum_0^{\infty} f^{(n)} \frac{(x-a)^n}{n!} \\ &\approx f(a) + (x-a) \frac{df}{dx} \end{aligned}$$



The Euler Relation

$$e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x$$



The Euler Relation - getting there

Taylor Series

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= f(a)(x-a)^0 + \frac{df(a)}{dx} \frac{(x-a)^1}{1!} + \frac{d^2f(a)}{dx^2} \frac{(x-a)^2}{2!} + \dots + \frac{d^n f(a)}{dx^n} \frac{(x-a)^n}{n!} + \dots \\ &= \sum_0^{\infty} f^{(n)}(a) \frac{(x-a)^n}{n!} \end{aligned}$$

McLaurin Series

$$f(x) = f(0) + \frac{df(0)x}{dx} + \frac{d^2f(0)}{dx^2} \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{d^3f(0)}{dx^3} \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{d^n f(0)}{dx^n} \frac{x^n}{n!} + \dots$$

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f^{(n)}(0) \frac{x^n}{n!}$$



The Euler Relation - getting there

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f^{(n)} \frac{x^n}{n!} + f(0)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(x) &= \sin(0) + x \cos(0) - \frac{x^2 \sin(0)}{2!} - \frac{x^3 \cos(0)}{3!} + \frac{x^4 \sin(0)}{4!} + \frac{x^5 \cos(0)}{5!} + \dots \\ &= x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(x) &= \cos(0) + x \sin(0) - \frac{x^2 \cos(0)}{2!} - \frac{x^3 \sin(0)}{3!} + \frac{x^4 \cos(0)}{4!} + \frac{x^5 \sin(0)}{5!} + \dots \\ &= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots\end{aligned}$$

$$e^u = 1 + u + \frac{u^2}{2!} + \frac{u^3}{3!} + \frac{u^4}{4!} + \frac{u^5}{5!} + \frac{u^6}{6!} + \frac{u^7}{7!} + \dots$$

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Fourier transform

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}(s) &= \mathcal{F}(f(x)) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) [\cos(2\pi sx) - i \sin(2\pi sx)] dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-2\pi i s x} dx\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}^{-1}(\mathcal{F}(s)) &= f(x) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{+2\pi i s x} dx.\end{aligned}$$

Let $x = \frac{\omega}{2\pi}$:

$$\mathcal{F}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-i\omega x} dx$$

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\omega) e^{2\pi i \omega x} d\omega.$$

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The Euler Relation - getting there

$$e^u = 1 + u + \frac{u^2}{2!} + \frac{u^3}{3!} + \frac{u^4}{4!} + \frac{u^5}{5!} + \frac{u^6}{6!} + \frac{u^7}{7!} + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned}[e^{ix}] &= 1 + ix + \frac{i^2 x^2}{2!} + \frac{i^3 x^3}{3!} + \frac{i^4 x^4}{4!} + \frac{i^5 x^5}{5!} + \frac{i^6 x^6}{6!} + \frac{i^7 x^7}{7!} + \dots \\ &= 1 + ix - \frac{x^2}{2!} - i \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + i \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} - i \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots \\ &= 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots + i \left[x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots \right] \\ &= \cos(x) + i \sin(x).\end{aligned}$$

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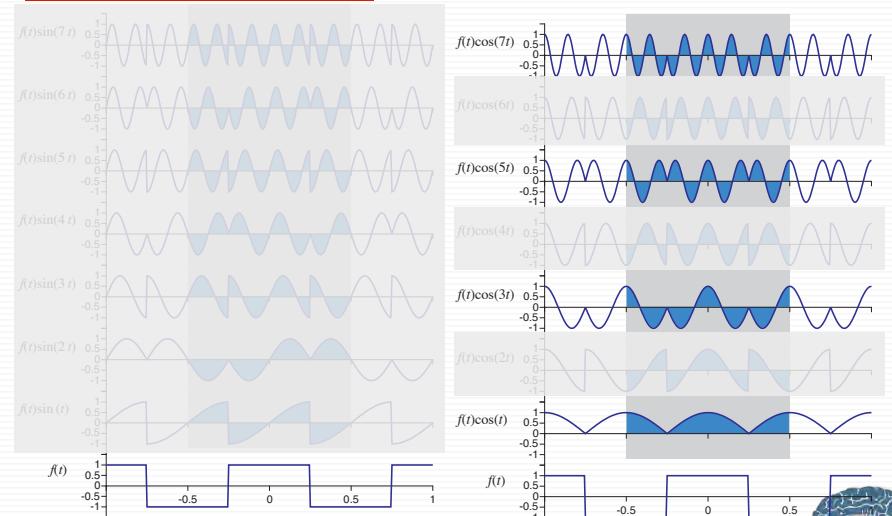
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Fourier transform



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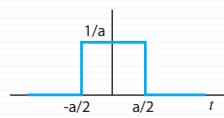
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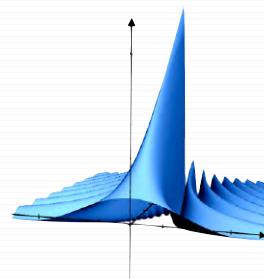
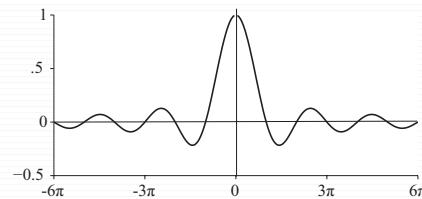
Using the Fourier Transform

Important Pairs - Square and sinc:

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} 1/a & \text{for } -a/2 < t < a/2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



$$f(s) = \mathcal{F}(f(t)) = \frac{\sin(\pi a s)}{\pi a s}$$



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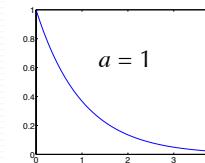
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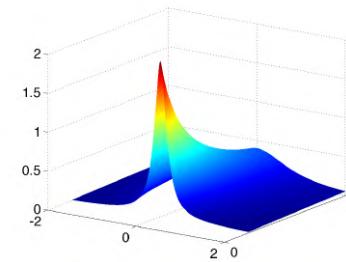
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Important Pairs - Exponential and Lorentzian:

$$f(t) = e^{-a|x|}$$



$$\mathcal{F}(s) = \frac{2a}{4\pi^2 s^2 + a^2}$$



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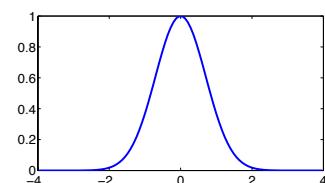
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Using the Fourier Transform

Important Pairs - Gaussian:

$$f(t) = e^{-at^2}$$



$$\mathcal{F}(s) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} e^{-\pi s^2}}{\sqrt{a}}.$$

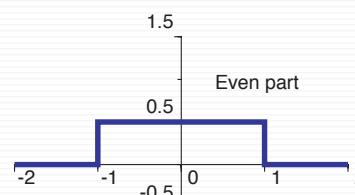
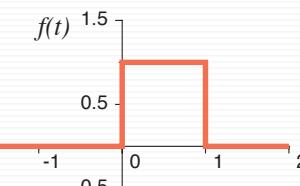
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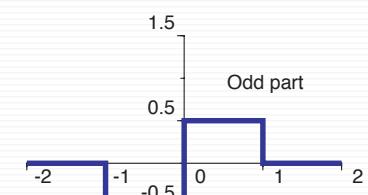
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Odd and Even



Even part



Odd part

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Odd and Even

if a function is:

Real and Even
Real and Odd
Imaginary and Even
Complex* and Even
Complex and Odd
Real and Asymmetrical
Imaginary and Asymmetrical
Real Even + Imaginary Odd
Real Odd + Imaginary Even
Even
Odd

its Fourier transform is:

Real and Even
Imaginary and Odd
Imaginary and Even
Complex and Even
Complex and Odd
Complex and Hermitian
Complex and anti-Hermitian
Real
Imaginary
Even
Odd

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Convolution Theorem

$$\mathcal{F}(f(x) \otimes g(x)) = \mathcal{F}(f(x))\mathcal{F}(g(x))$$

$$\mathcal{F}(f(x)g(x)) = \mathcal{F}(f(x)) \otimes \mathcal{F}(g(x)).$$

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Shift Theorem

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}[f(t-a)](s) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t-a)e^{-2\pi i st} dt \\ &= e^{-2\pi i sa} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t-a)e^{-2\pi i st} e^{2\pi i sa} dt \\ &= e^{-2\pi i sa} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t-a)e^{-2\pi i s(t-a)} dt.\end{aligned}$$

Let $u = t-a$ and $du = dt$:

$$\begin{aligned}&= e^{-2\pi i sa} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u)e^{-2\pi i su} du \\ &= e^{-2\pi i sa} F[f(t)](s) \\ &= (\cos(2\pi sa) - i \sin(2\pi sa)) F[f(t)](s)\end{aligned}$$

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