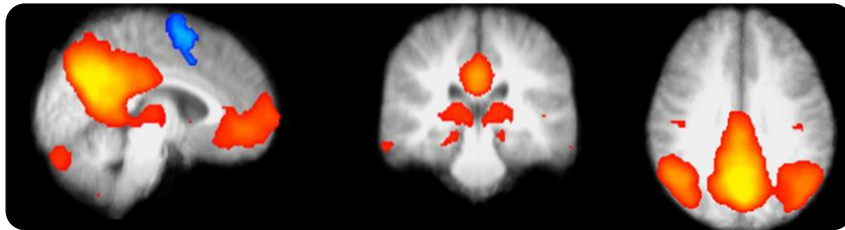


ICA Applications to resting- and event-related fMRI: theme & variations

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Application of ICA-based methodology

Resting-state Networks



resting-state data

other
connectivity
analysis

*low temporal frequency (<0.1 Hz)
correlation between functionally related brain regions
fluctuations can occur during rest (i.e. no explicit stimulus or task)*

The hypothesis is that these low frequency fMRI signal fluctuations reflect correlated neuronal fluctuations in a network of task-related brain regions

Also referred to as: 'low-frequency correlations', 'default activity', 'default mode', 'spontaneous network correlations', 'intrinsic connectivity networks' ...

Application of ICA-based methodology

pre-processing: artefact reduction

other
functional
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event-related data

resting-state data

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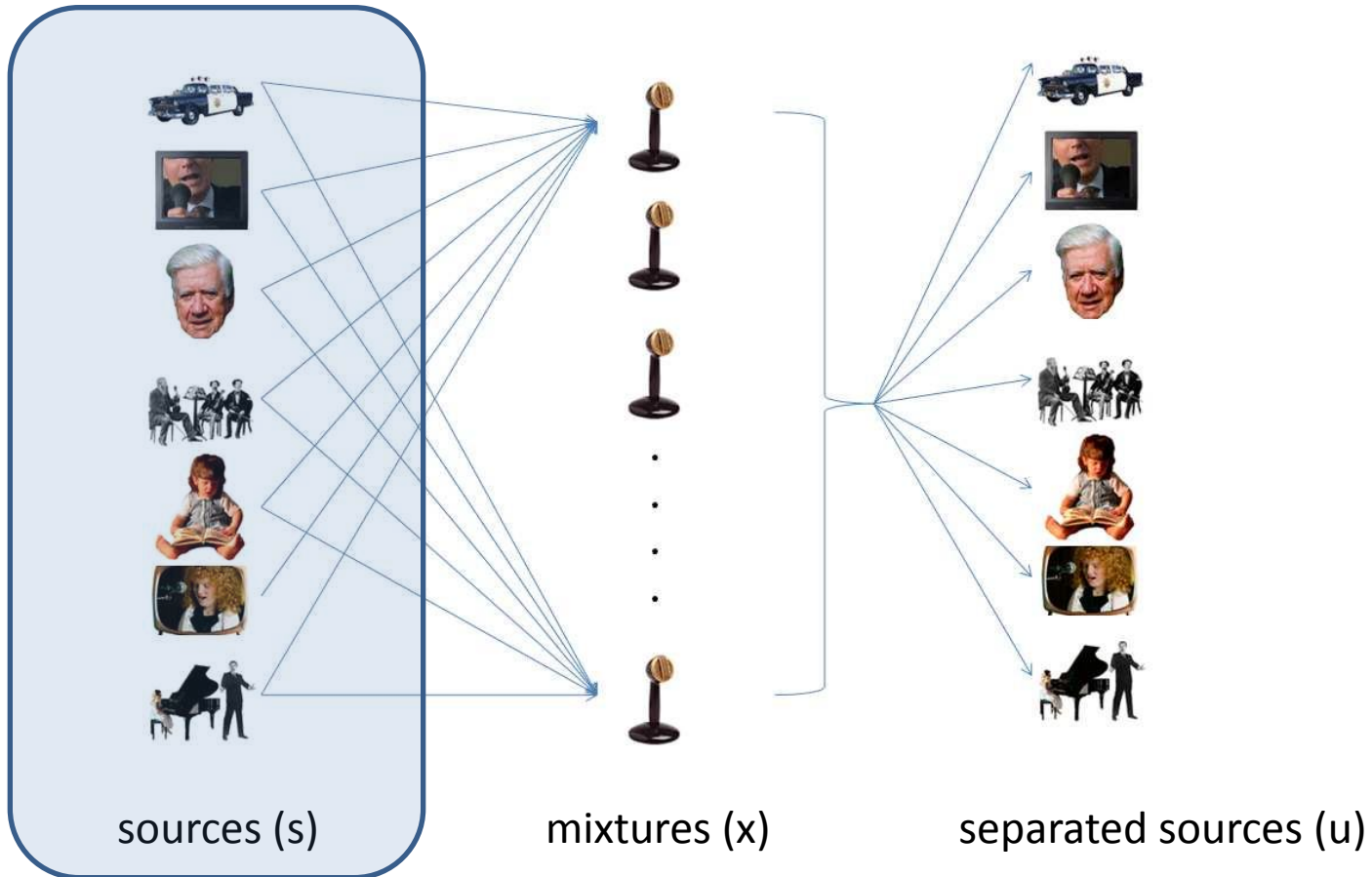
ICA analysis

Spatial ICA, tensor based ICA
Single subject ICA vs. Group ICA
Dimensionality reduction (# comp.)
Selection and reliability of components
Statistical analysis, establishing group difference

ICA and blind source separation: a simple introduction

linear mixture by **unknown** matrix A

un-mixing matrix W



$$x_1 = a_{11}s_1 + a_{12}s_2$$

$$x_2 = a_{21}s_1 + a_{22}s_2$$

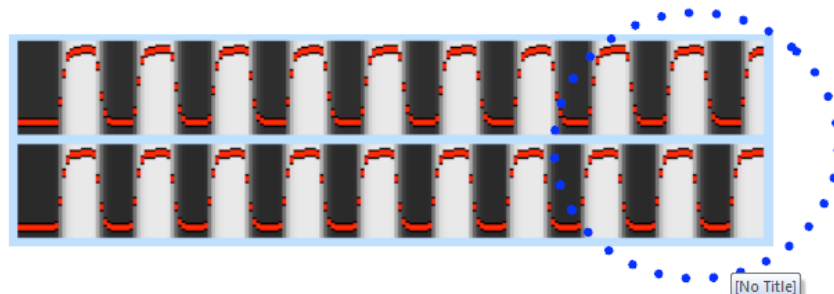
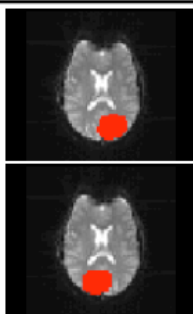
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$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}$$

PCA vs ICA

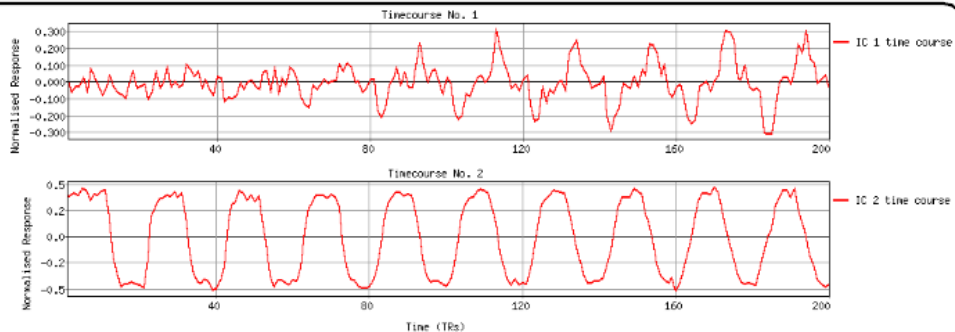
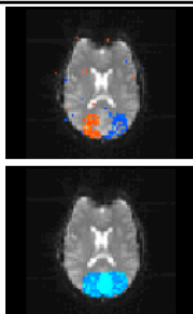
Simulated Data

(2 components, slightly different timecourses)



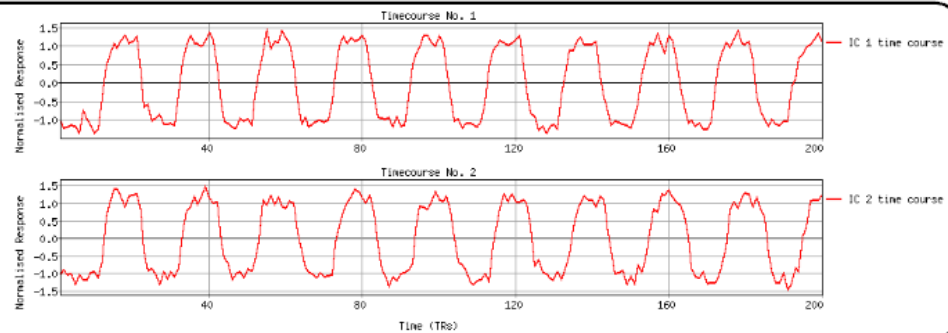
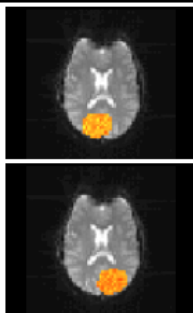
PCA

- Timecourses orthogonal
- Spatial maps and timecourses “wrong”

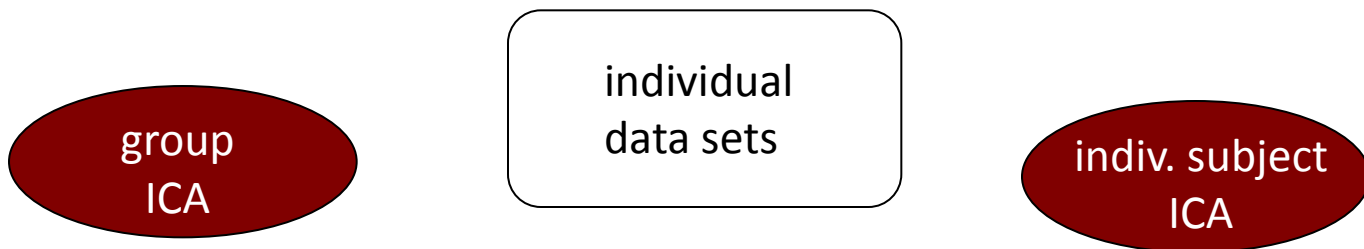


ICA

- Timecourses non-co-linear
- Spatial maps and timecourses “right”



ICA-based methodology for multi-subject RSN analysis



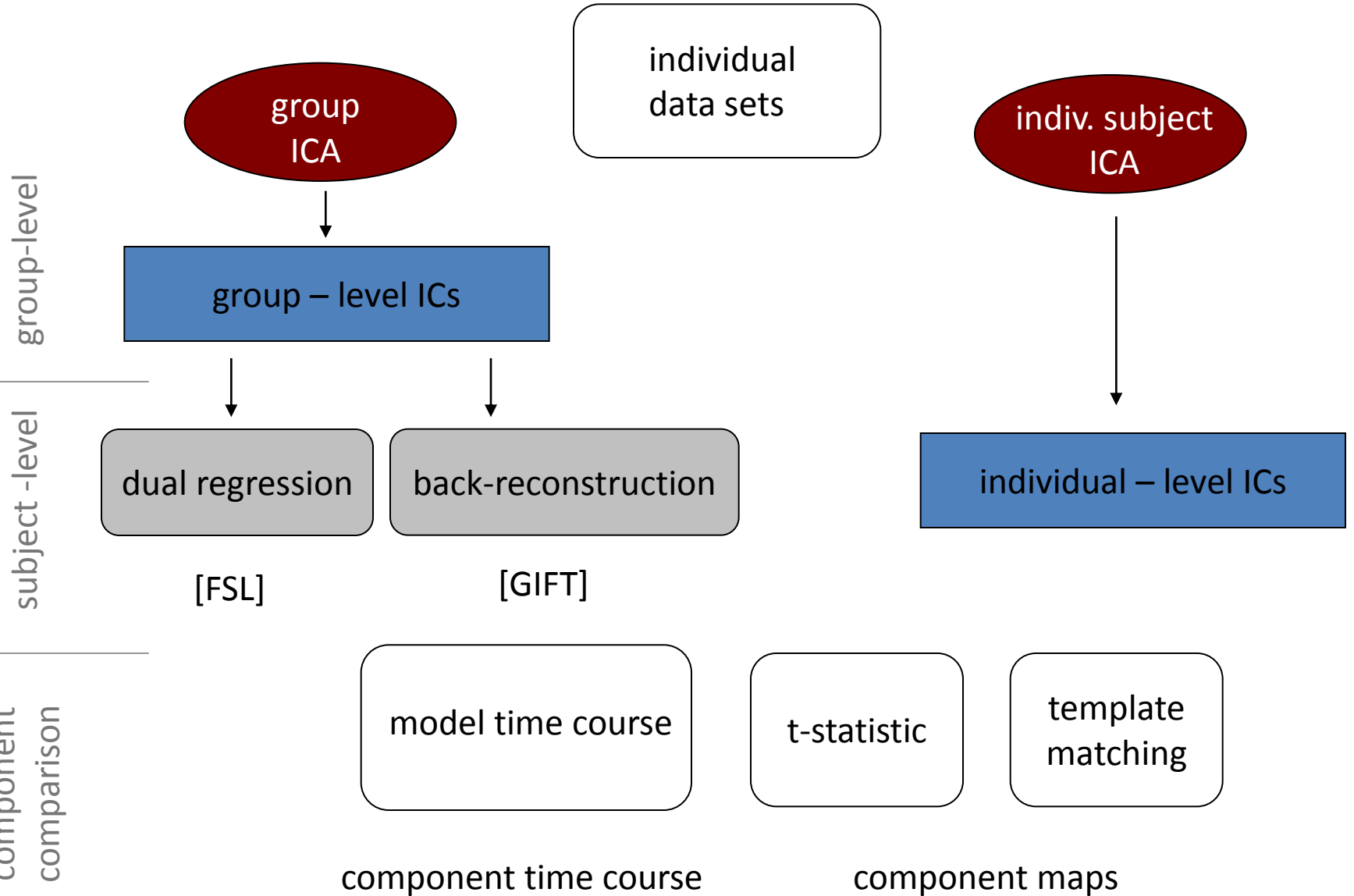
Why not just run ICA on each subject separately?

- > correspondence problem of ICs across subjects
- > different splitting *sometimes caused by small* changes in the data

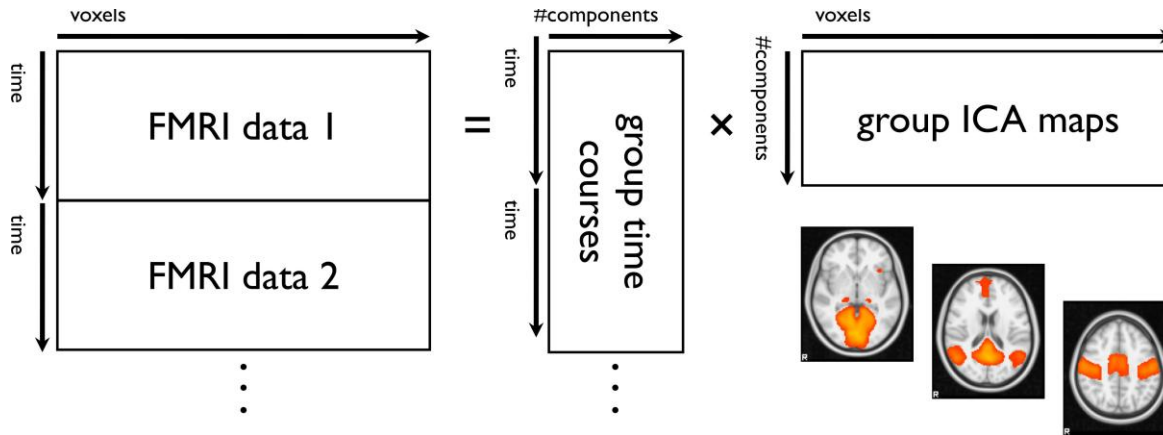
Instead - start with a “group-average” ICA

- > but then need to relate group maps back to the individual subjects

ICA-based methodology for multi-subject RSN analysis

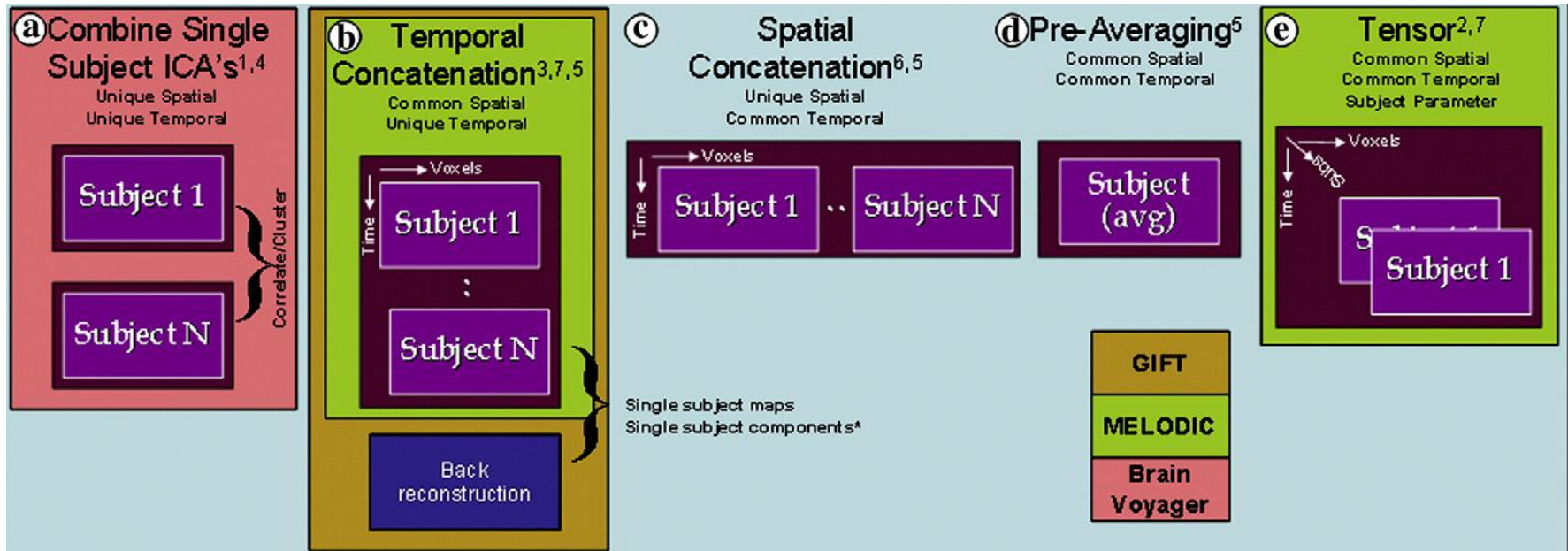


Temporal concatenation group-ICA



concatenate all subjects' data temporally
group-based PCA reduction on each subject

Several group ICA approaches



ICA-based methodology for multi-subject RSN analysis

individual
data sets

indiv. subject
ICA

Separate ICA for each subject

Robustness can be improved via multiple runs (“ICASSO”)

Compare components across subjects, to achieve robust matching of any given RSN

Advantage: Keeps benefits of single-subject ICA – better modelling of structured noise in data

Disadvantage: Correspondence problem, in particular different splitting in different subjects caused by even very small changes in the data

individual – level ICs

ICA-based methodology for multi-subject RSN analysis

individual data sets

group ICA

group-level

group – level ICs

“GICA” - GIFT (Calhoun, HBM, 2001)

separate PCA (dimensionality reduction) for each subject

subject-level

back-reconstruction

concat PCA-output across subjects and do group-ICA

[GIFT]

back-reconstruct (invert) ICA results to get individual subject maps

component comparison

Advantage: No correspondence problem

Disadvantage: lose benefits of single-subject ICA, PCA-bias

ICA-based methodology for multi-subject RSN analysis

individual data sets

group ICA

group – level ICs

dual regression

[FSL]

“MELODIC+dual-reg” - FSL (Beckmann, OHBM, 2009)

group-average PCA (dimensionality reduction)

project each subject onto reduced group-average-PCA-space

concat PCA-output across subjects and do group-ICA

regress group-ICA maps onto individual subject datasets to get individual subject maps

Advantage: no correspondence problem,
no group/PCA bias

Disadvantage: lose benefits of single-subject ICA

group-level

subject-level

component comparison

ICA-based analysis of 4 amnesic patients and 29 matched controls

individual data sets

group ICA

indiv. subject ICA

group-level

group – level ICs

subject -level

dual regression

back-reconstruction

individual – level ICs

[FSL]

[GIFT]

component comparison

model time course

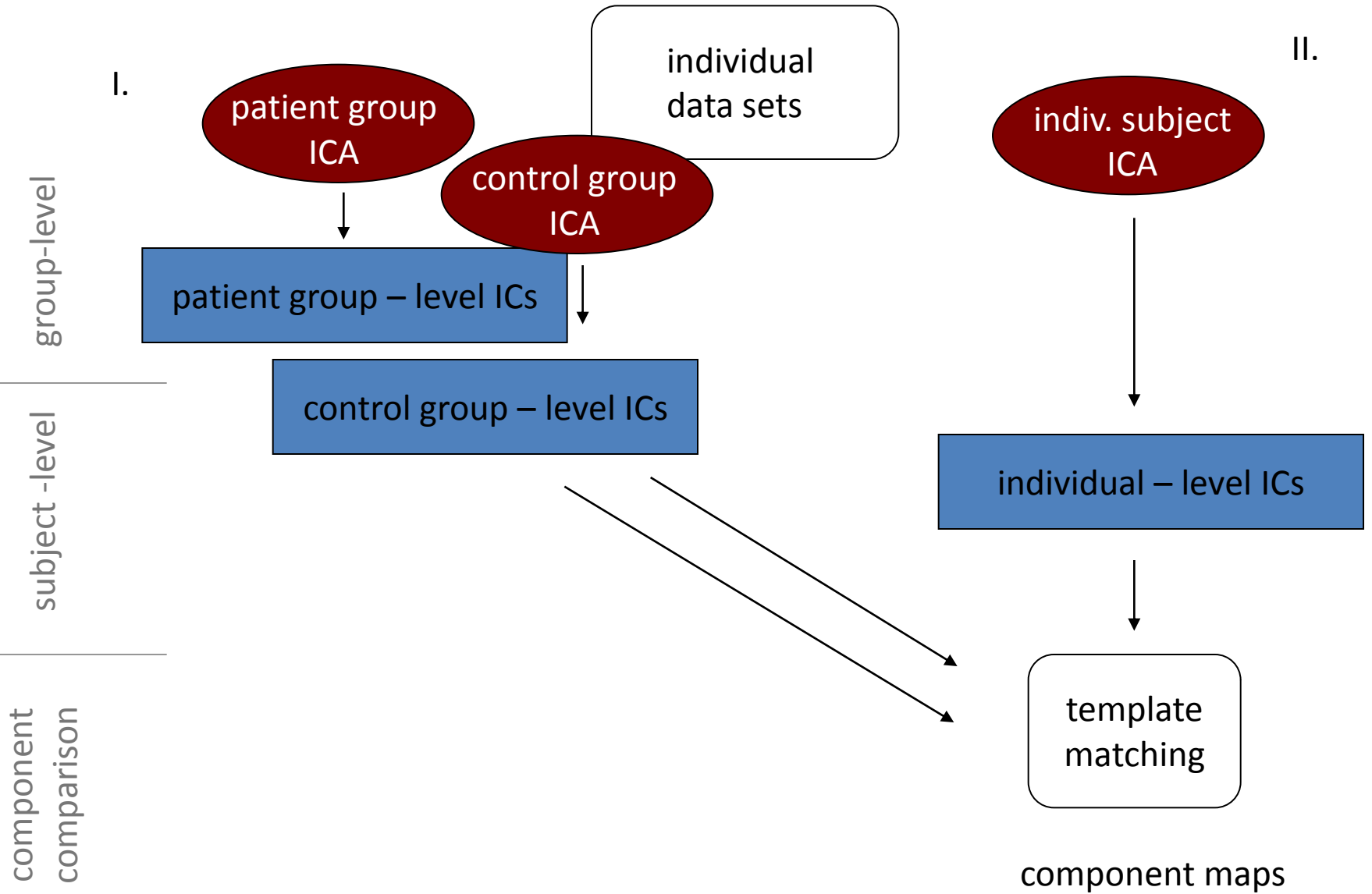
t-statistic

template matching

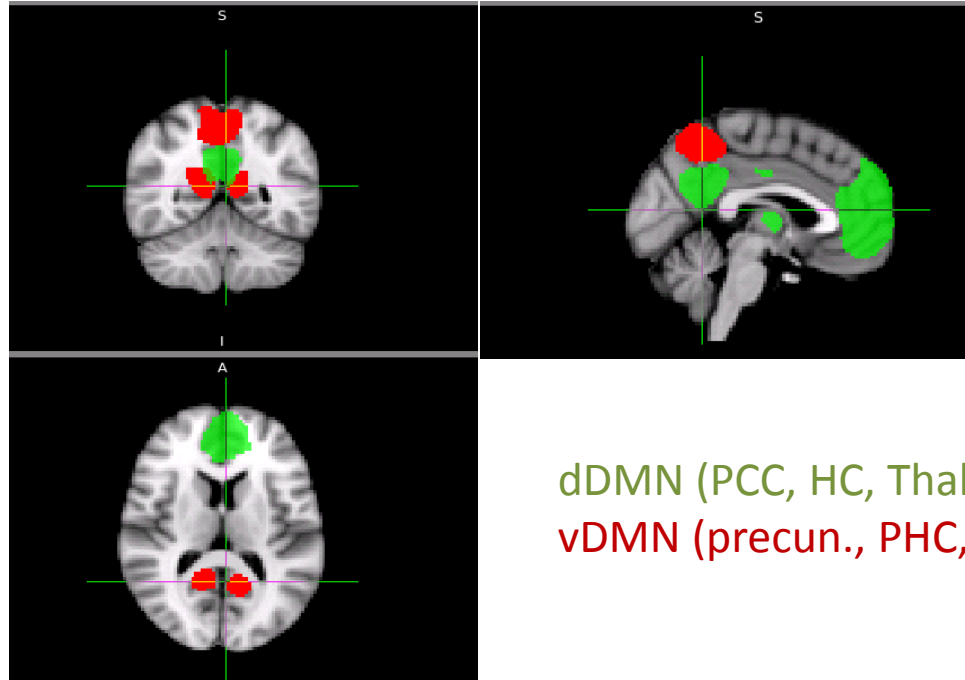
component time course

component maps

ICA-based analysis of 4 amnesic patients and 29 matched controls



Template matching: functional templates from Mike Greicius' lab

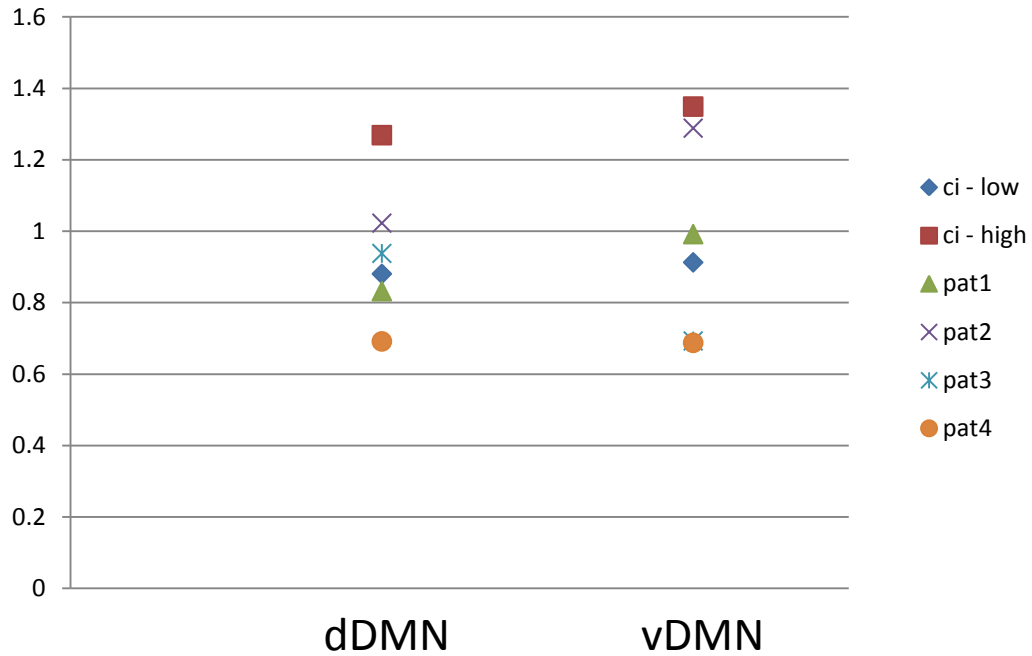


dDMN (PCC, HC, Thalamus, mPFC)
vDMN (precun., PHC, parietal /occipit. L)

(<http://findlab.stanford.edu/research.html>) 14 binary templates in MNI space

Goodness of Fit – template matching

patient scores relative to confidence interval for participants



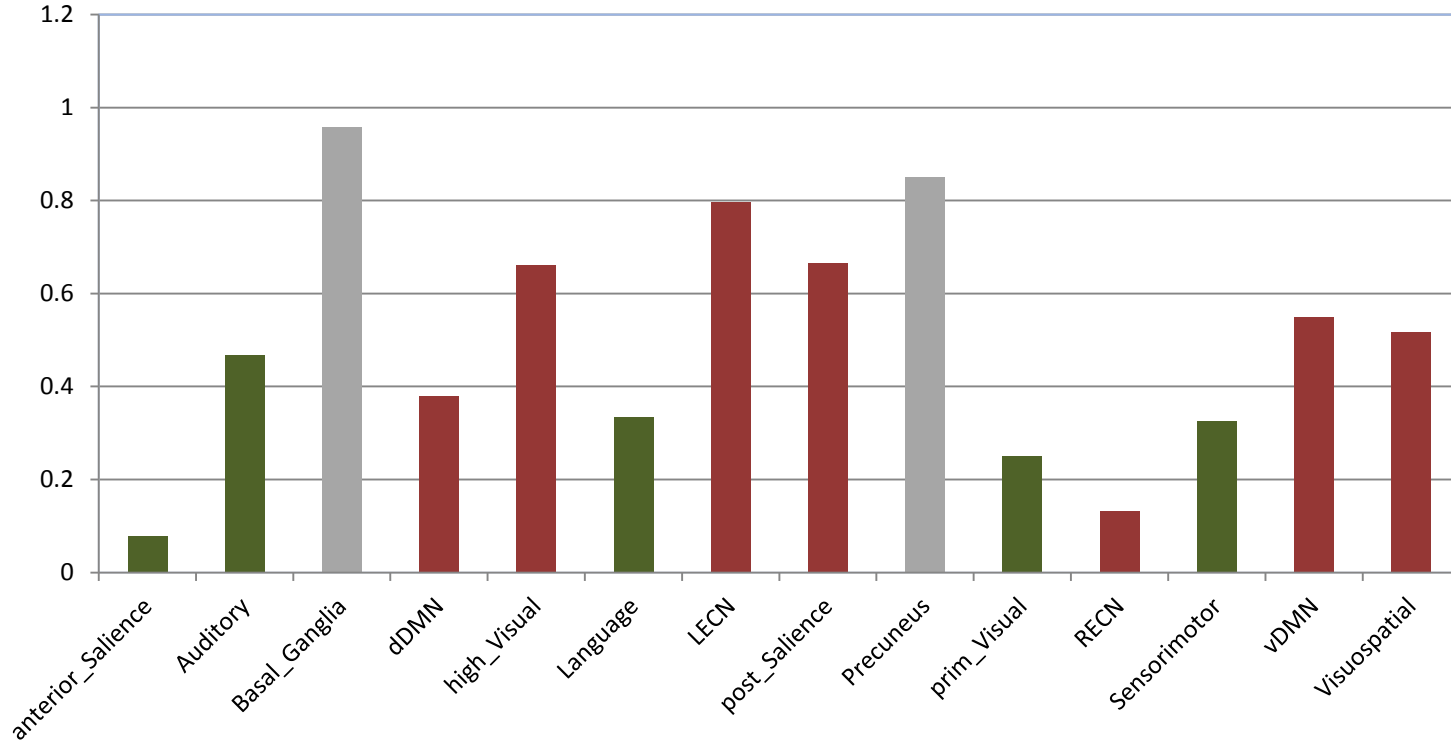
dDMN $t(31) = -0.891$, $p=0.380$

vDMN $t(31) = -0.607$, $p=0.548$

Goodness of Fit – template matching

- pat > cont
- cont > pat
- cont = pat

p-values



	ant_Sal	Auditory	Basal_Gan	dDMN	high_Vis	Language	LECN	post_Sal	Precuneus	prim_Vis	REC�N	Sensorim	vDMN	Visuospat
p-values	0.0775	0.4681	0.957	0.3797	0.6613	0.3337	0.796	0.664	0.8497	0.2503	0.1317	0.3259	0.5485	0.5165
t-values	1.8257	0.7346	0.0543	-0.8912	-0.4424	0.9819	-0.2607	-0.4386	-0.1911	1.1715	-1.5482	0.9982	-0.6067	-0.6563

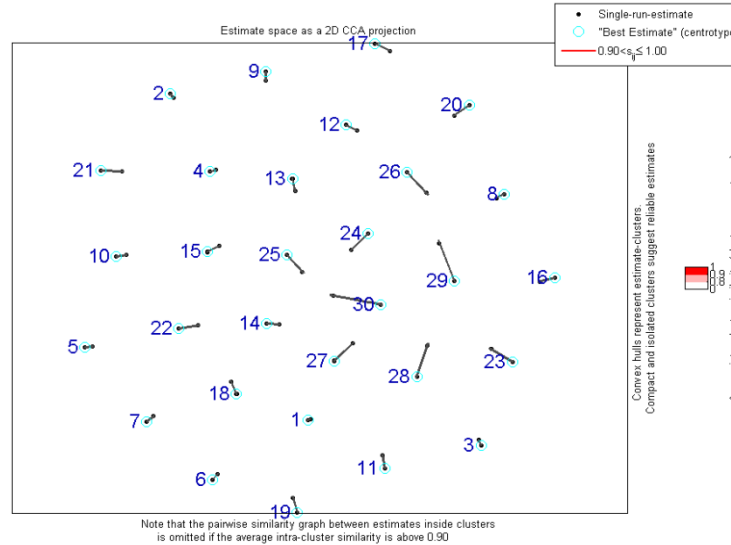
Matched templates

Prob. template matching using correlation measure

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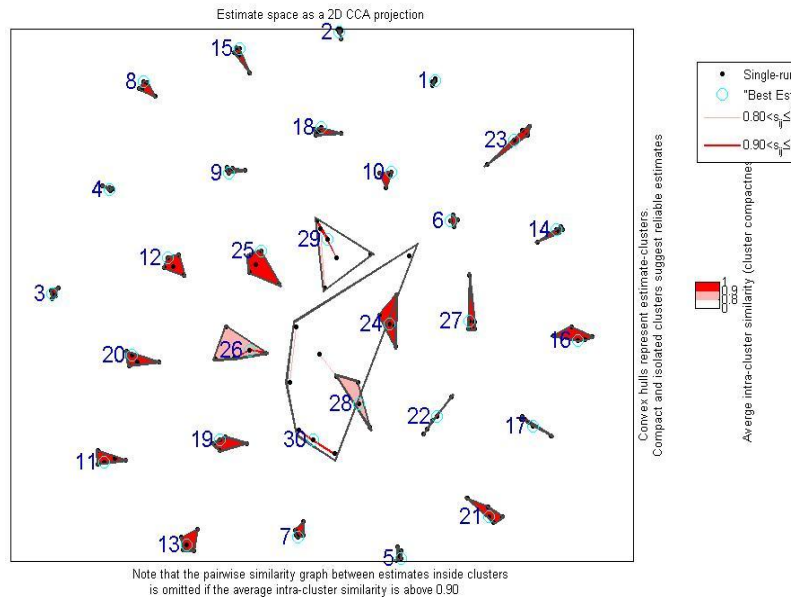
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GIFT component sorting	
ICmap	score
17	0.43
23	0.39
22	0.18
1	0.14

Patients

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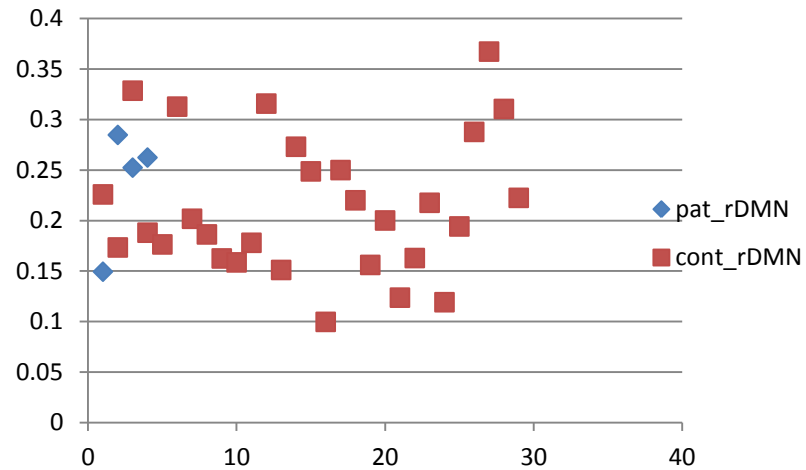


GIFT component sorting	
ICmap	score
3	0.33
23	0.13
18	0.12
28	0.09

Prob. template matching using correlation measure

Melodic indiv. Subj ICA

prob. template (from GIFT) used in template matching (correlation measure)



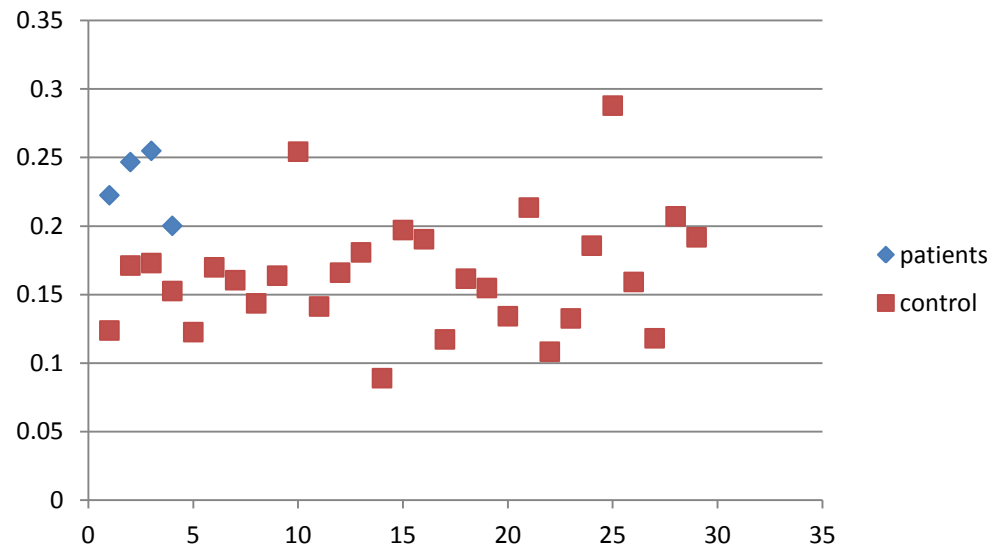
Prob. template matching using correlation measure

GIFT: Group ICA [pat] temporal concatenation

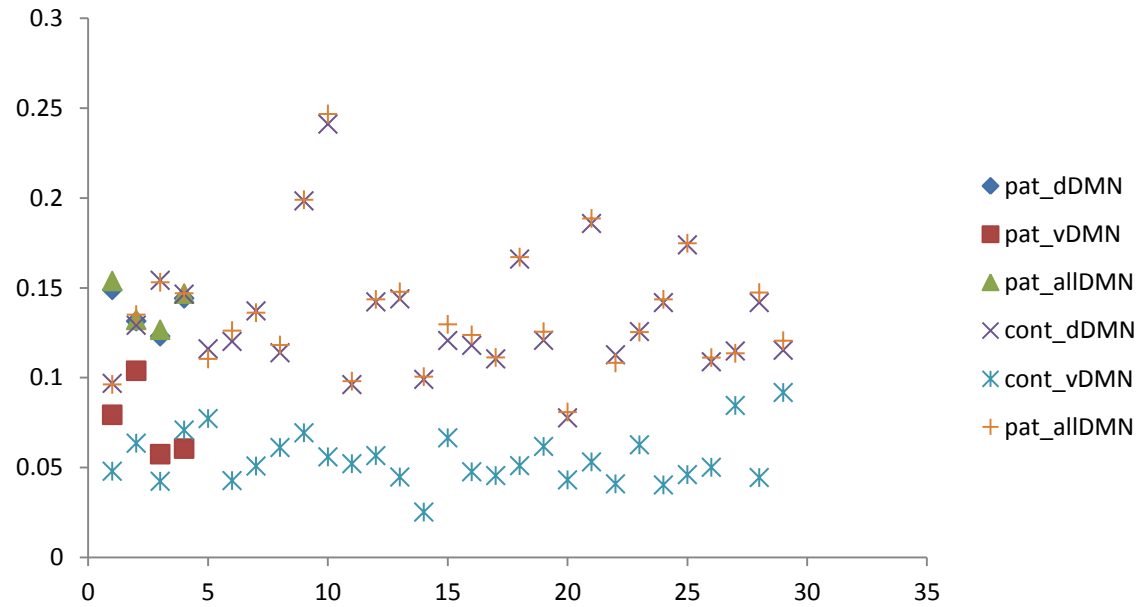
GFIT: Group ICA [contr] temporal concatenation

indiv. spatial template: back projection into subject space

prob. template matching using correlation measure



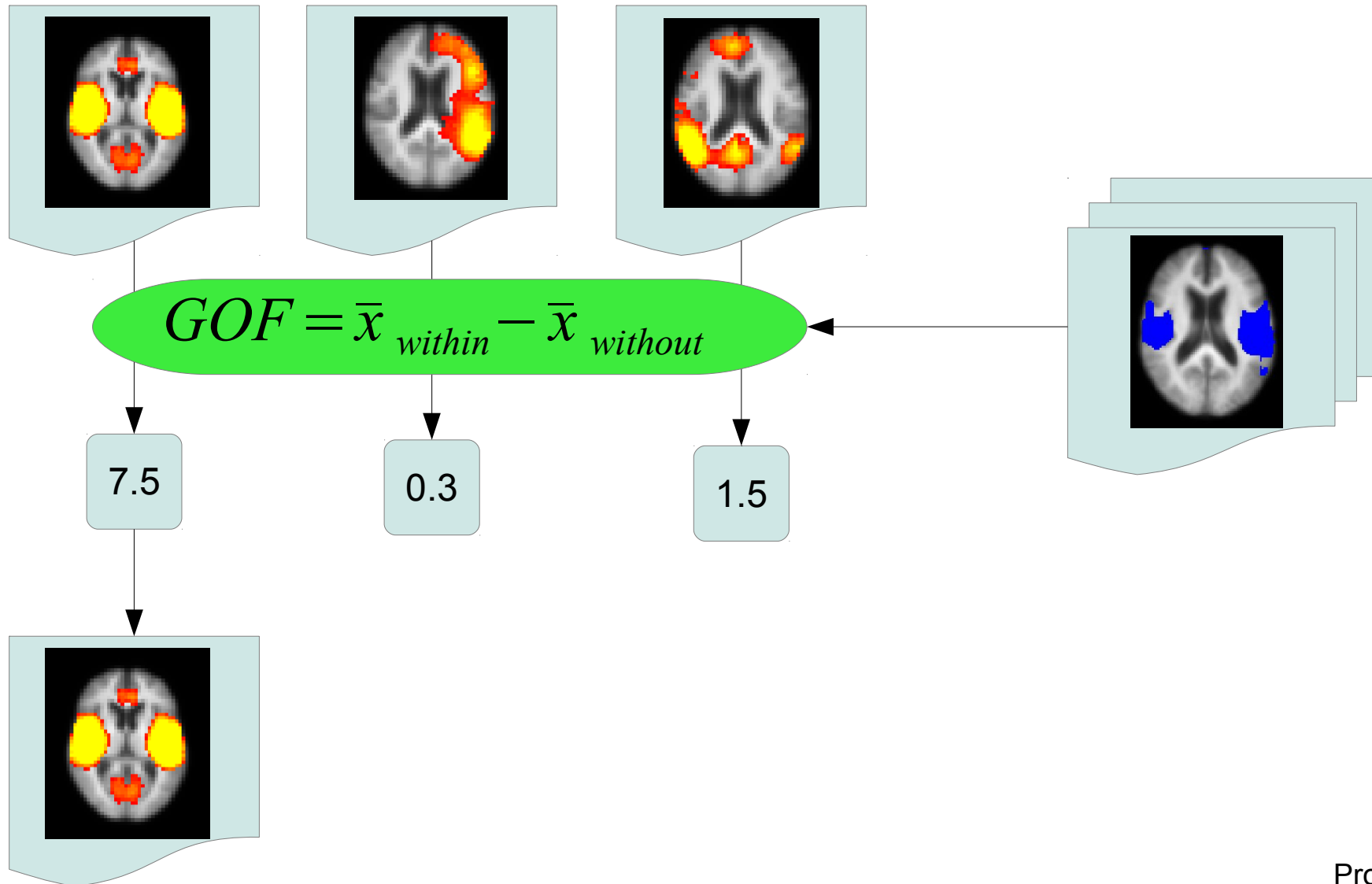
Prob. template matching using correlation measure



Study outline

- Disease groups with dementia
 - Progressive supranuclear palsy
 - Corticobasal degeneration
- Wider context
 - development of network related biomarkers
 - correlation between disease pathology, macroscopic networks and clinical measures
- Challenge
 - group comparison of ICA data

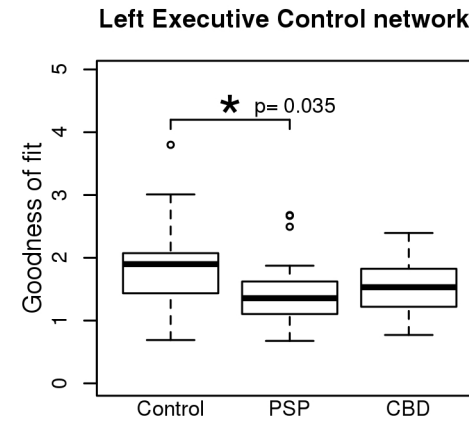
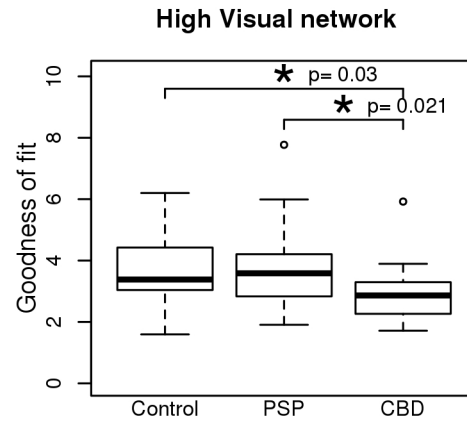
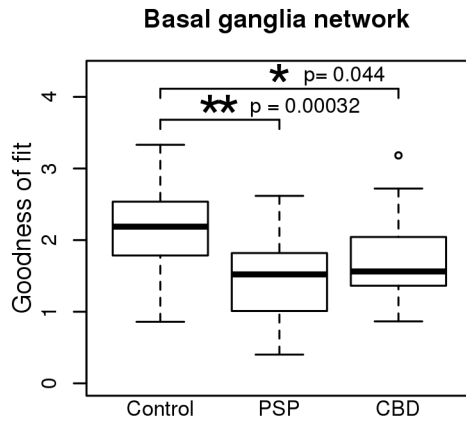
Goodness of fit



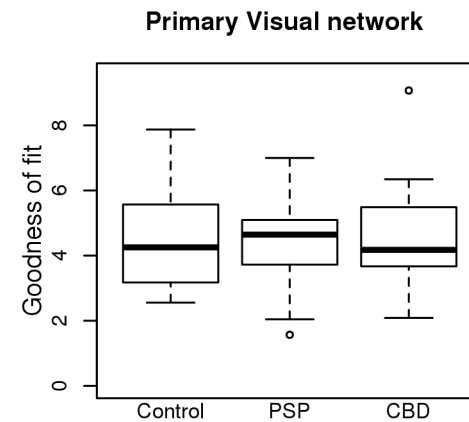
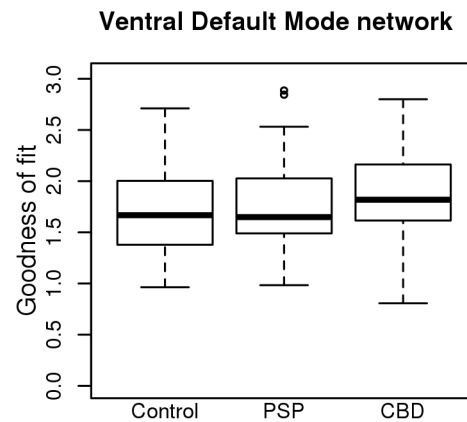
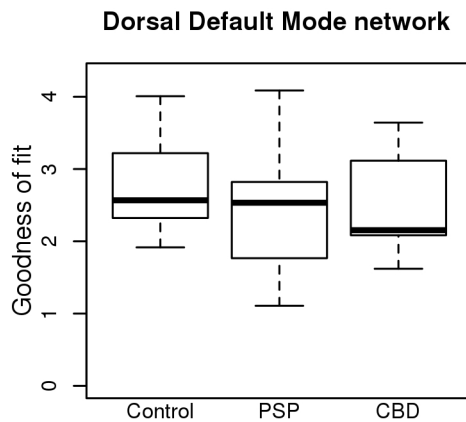
Prof Mike Greicius

Clinically relevant networks differ between patients and controls

Clinically relevant networks

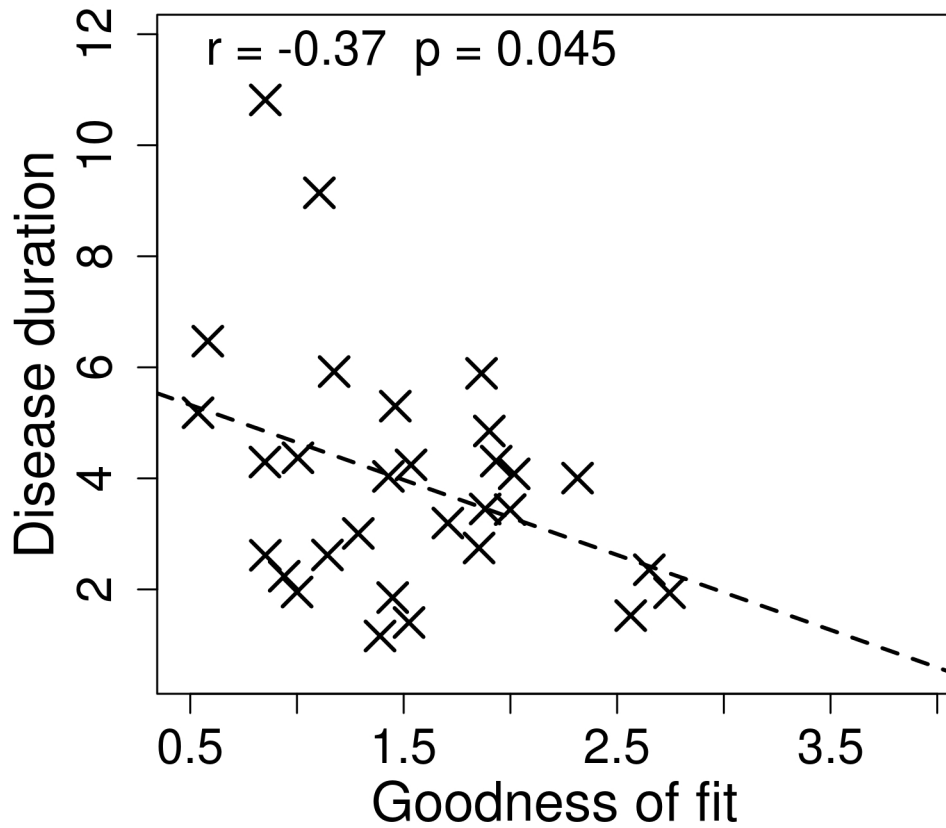


Control networks

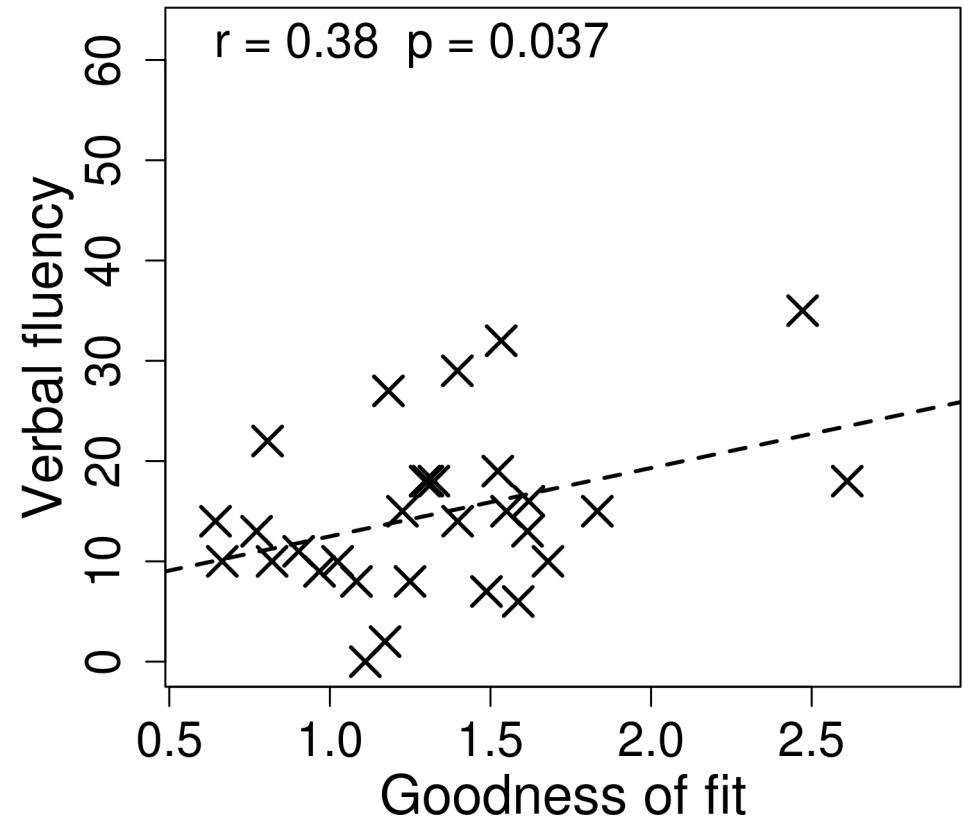


Correlation with clinical measures

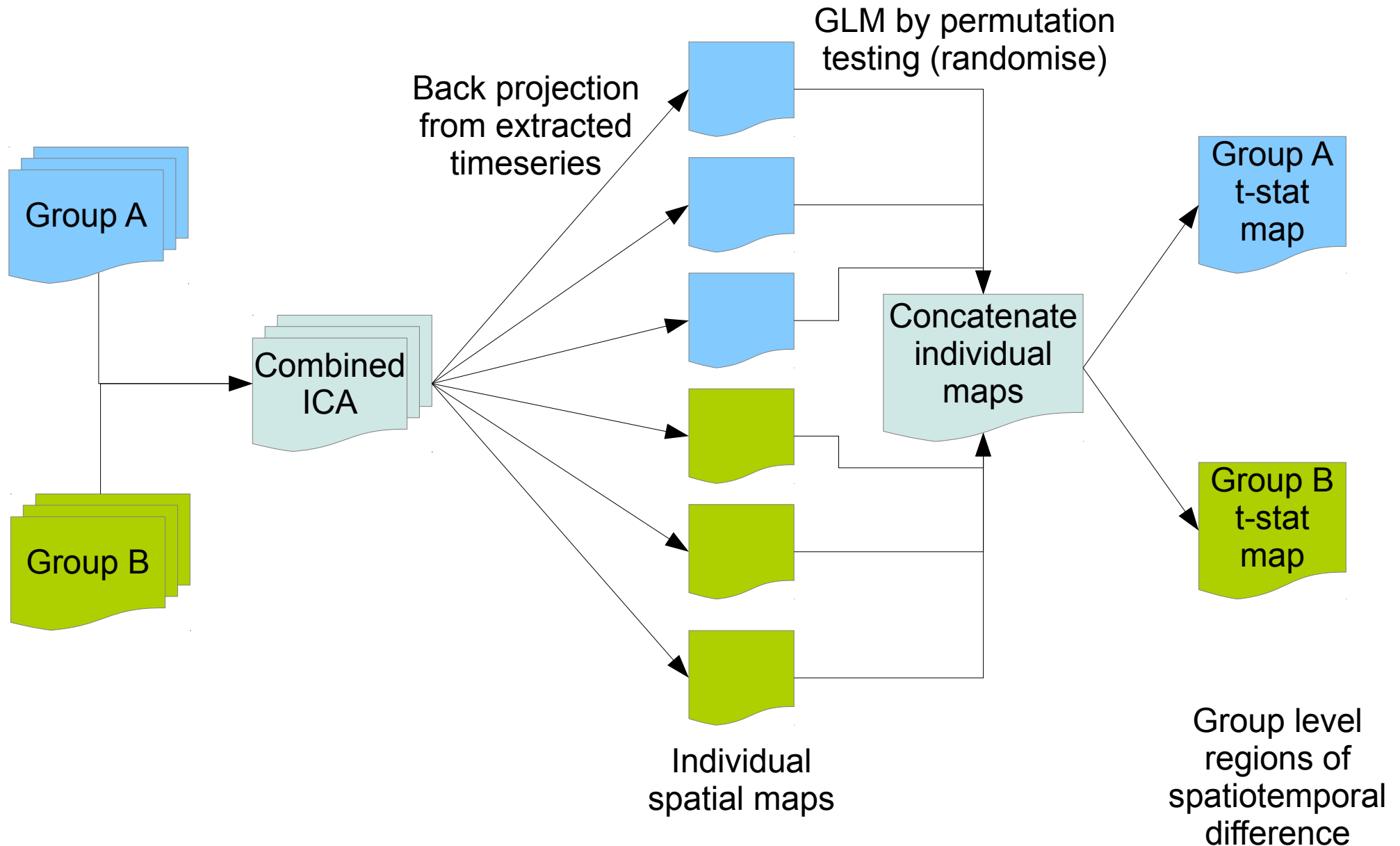
PSP Basal Ganglia network vs Disease duration



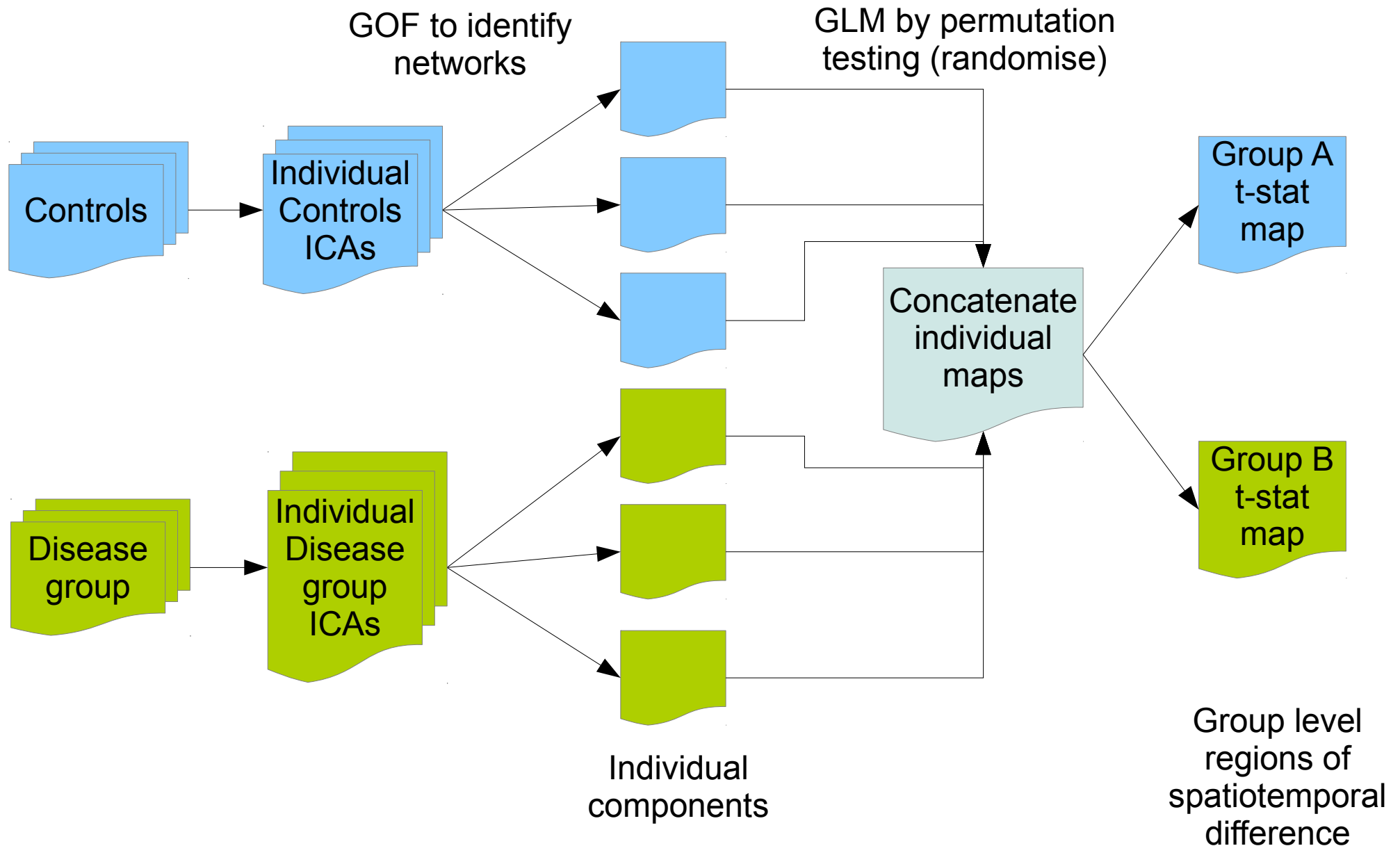
PSP LECN network vs Verbal fluency



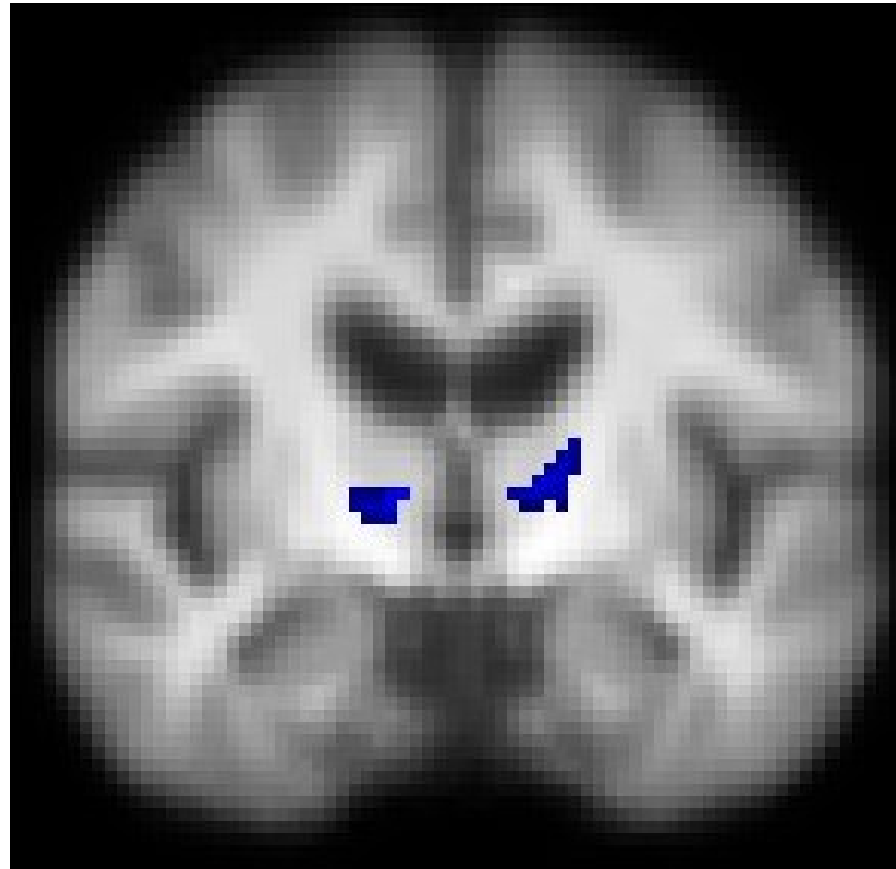
Dual regression



Modified regression

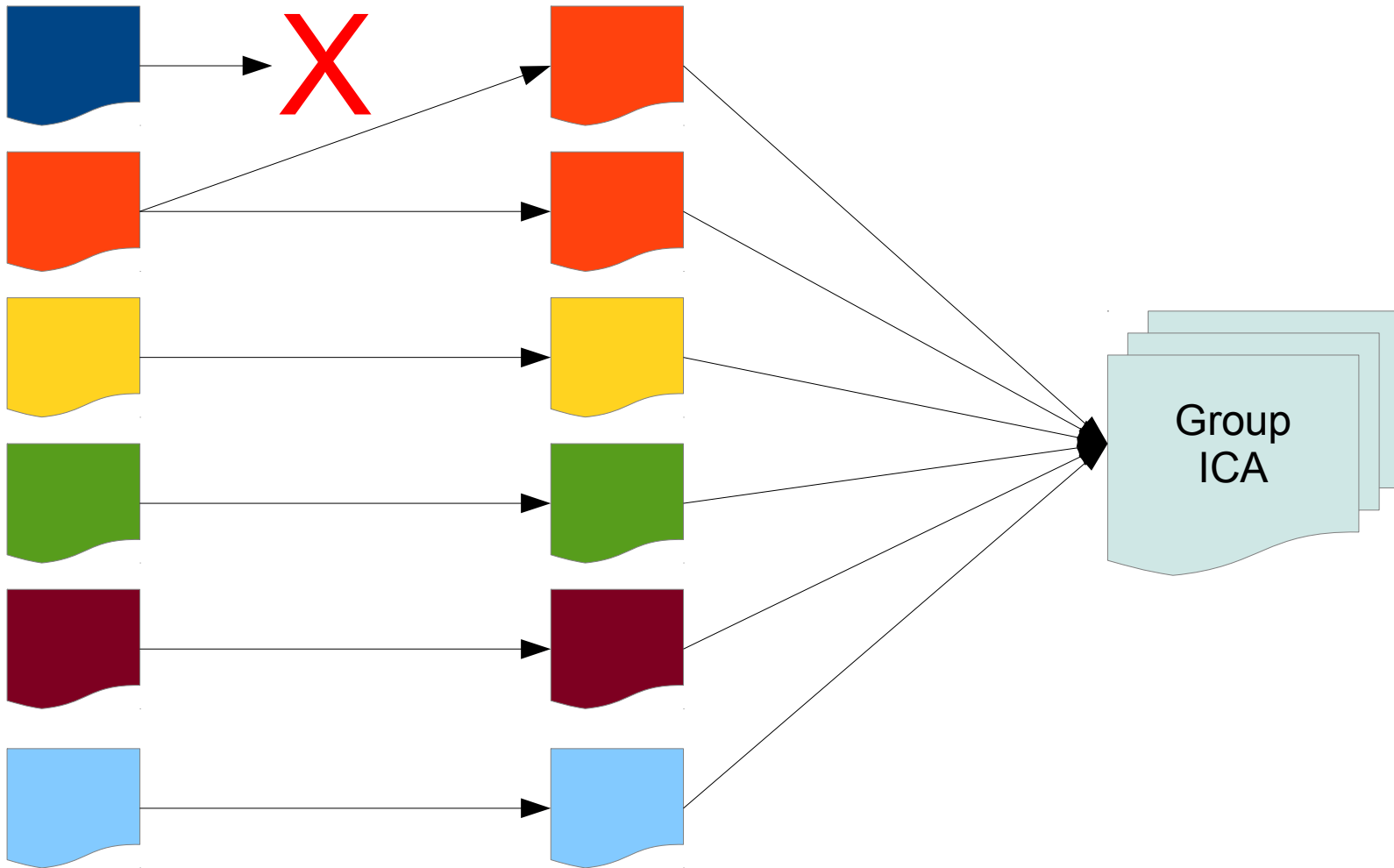


PSP vs Controls, Basal Ganglia network

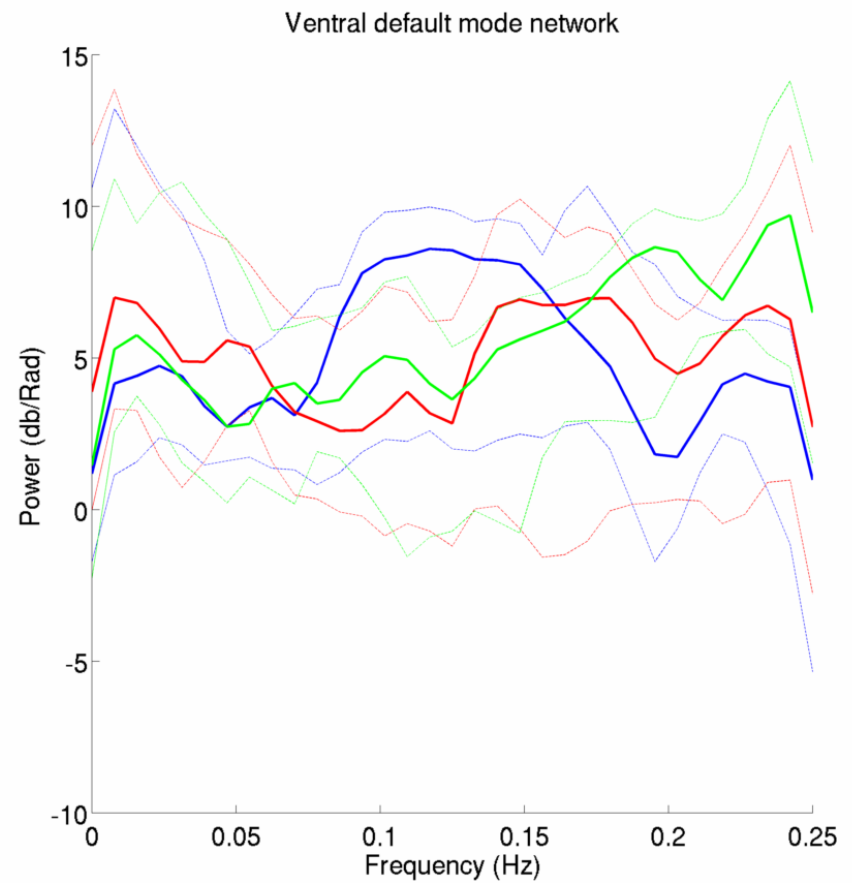
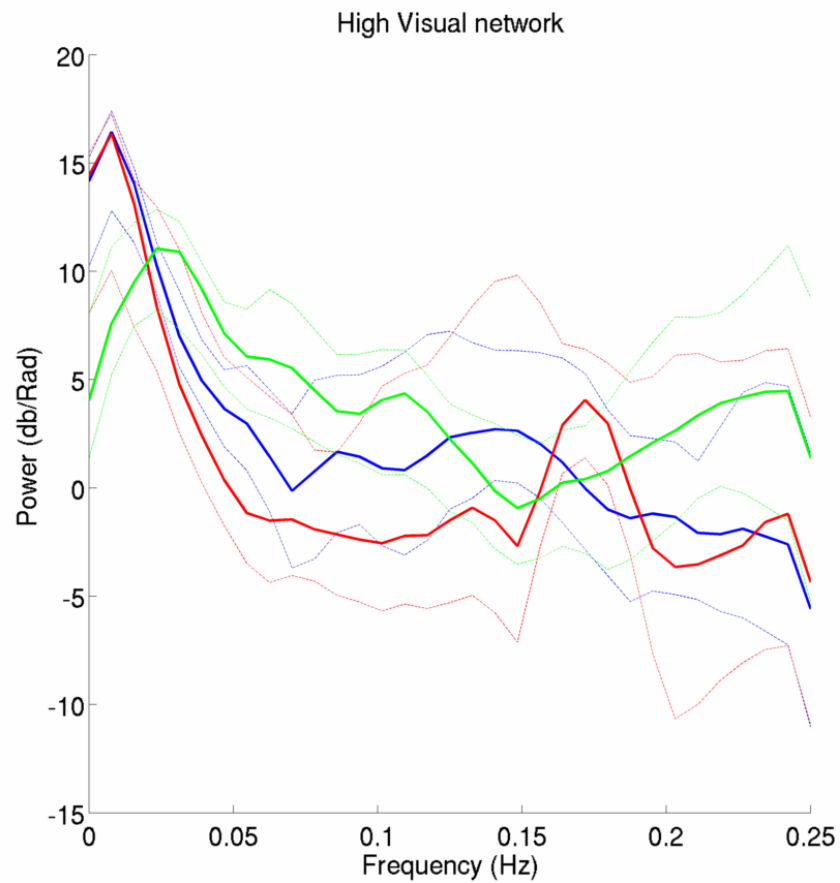
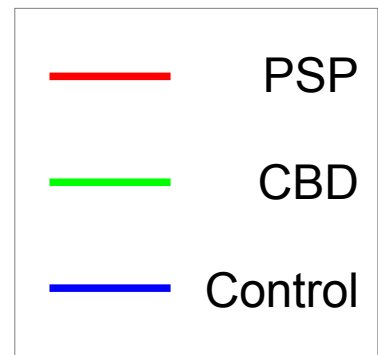


FWE $p < 0.05$

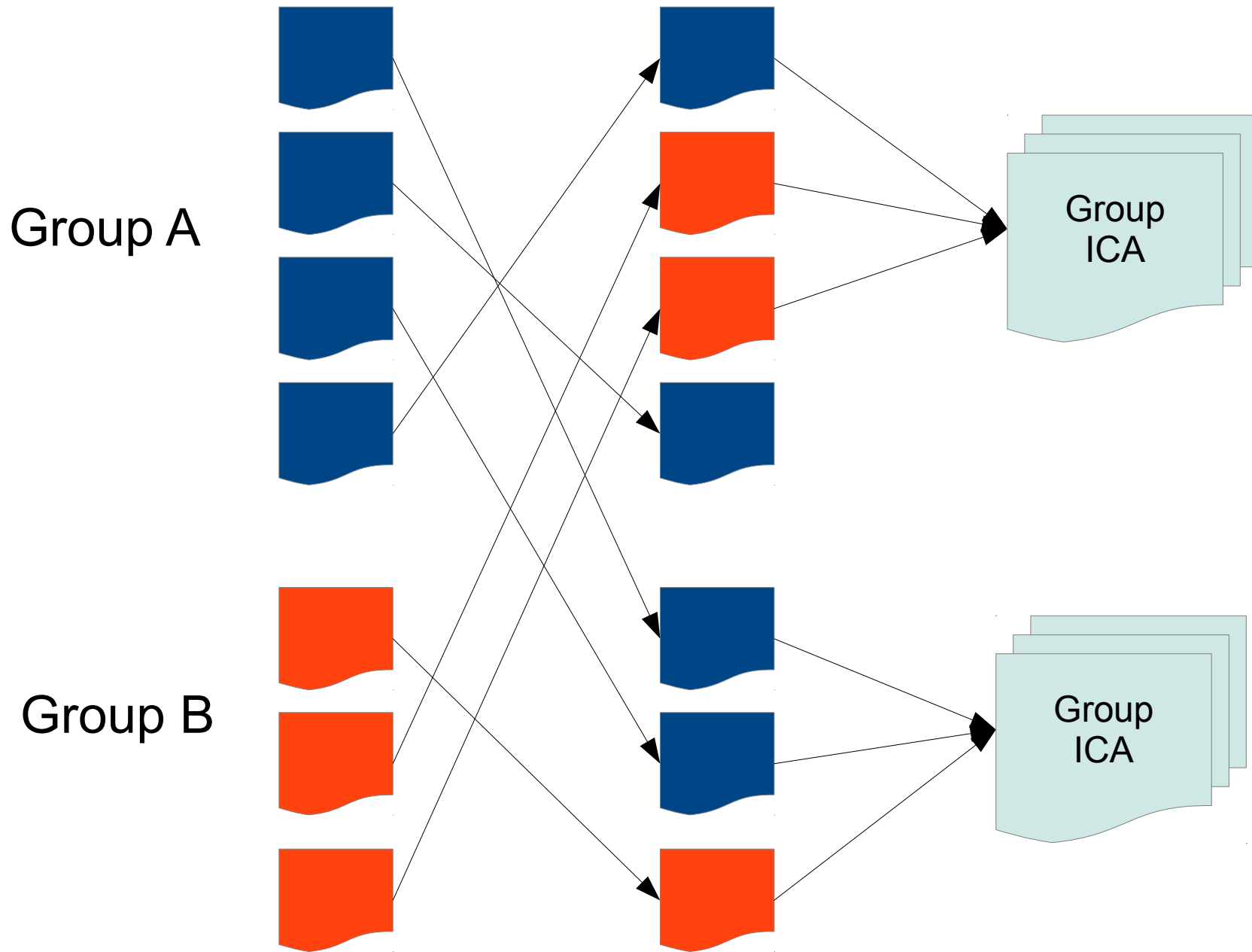
Robustness – within groups



Robustness – within groups

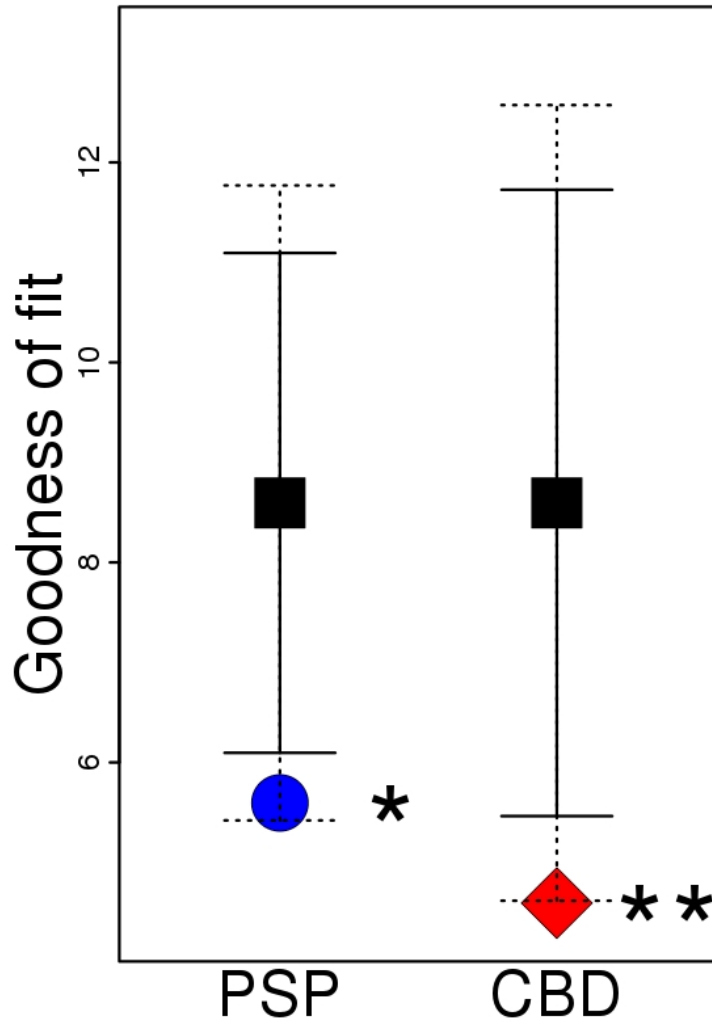


Robustness – across groups

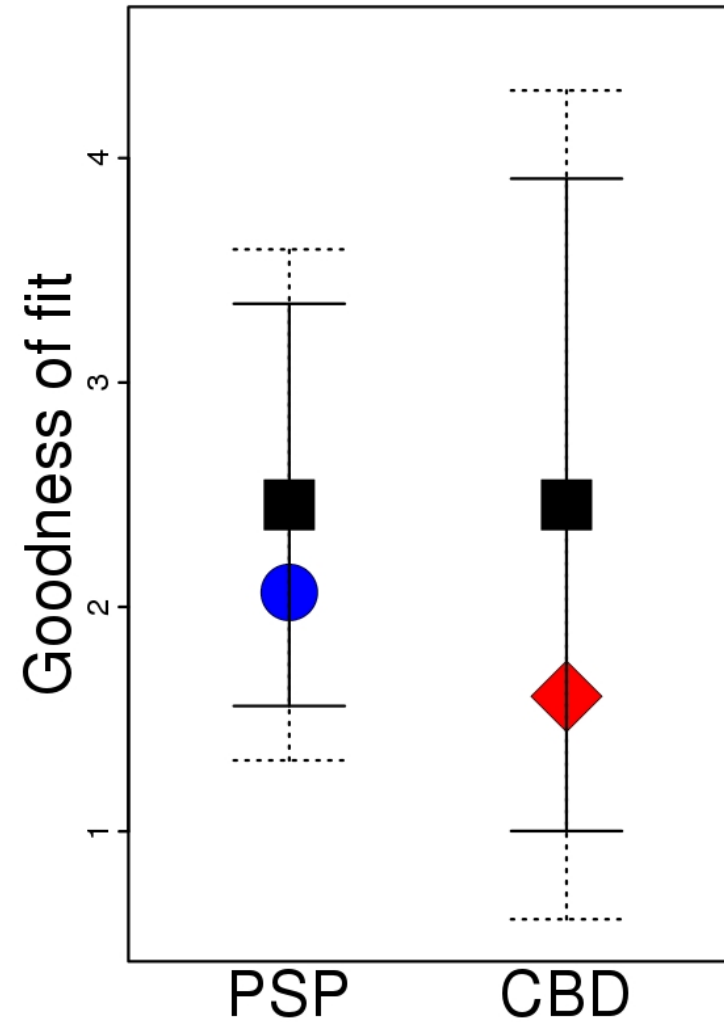


Robustness – across groups

Basal Ganglia network



Left Executive Control network



Conclusions

- Goodness of fit score
 - identify networks
 - compare groups
- Regression analysis
 - identify regions of spatiotemporal difference
- Robustness using bootstrapping
 - identify variance within data

task-related ICA

how many components do I use?

what threshold do I use to display my data?

how do I compare within/across groups?

selection before

selection after

Data Prep

data are typically smoothed normalized images

MDL

estimate the number of ICs through random sampling

we have used the group mean or indiv

ICA

ICASSO

ICA Source Separation Operator

consistent ICs represented visually, but criterion is unclear...

Spatial Sorting

ICs are correlated spatially, useful for group comparison

voxels are weighted by ICA fit?

Temporal Sorting

assigns β values for each regressor, model fit (R^2)

can be done with standard or ST model

β testing

tests on beta weights from previous step

1STT or Paired t
all conditions $> .05$ or contrast of interest $> .05$

ST Correlations
trial-wise relationships between β and factor

IC Interaction

FNC
condition-free

Singletrial
 β -weight r

Logistic Regr.
Combination of ICs contribute to conditions

DCM

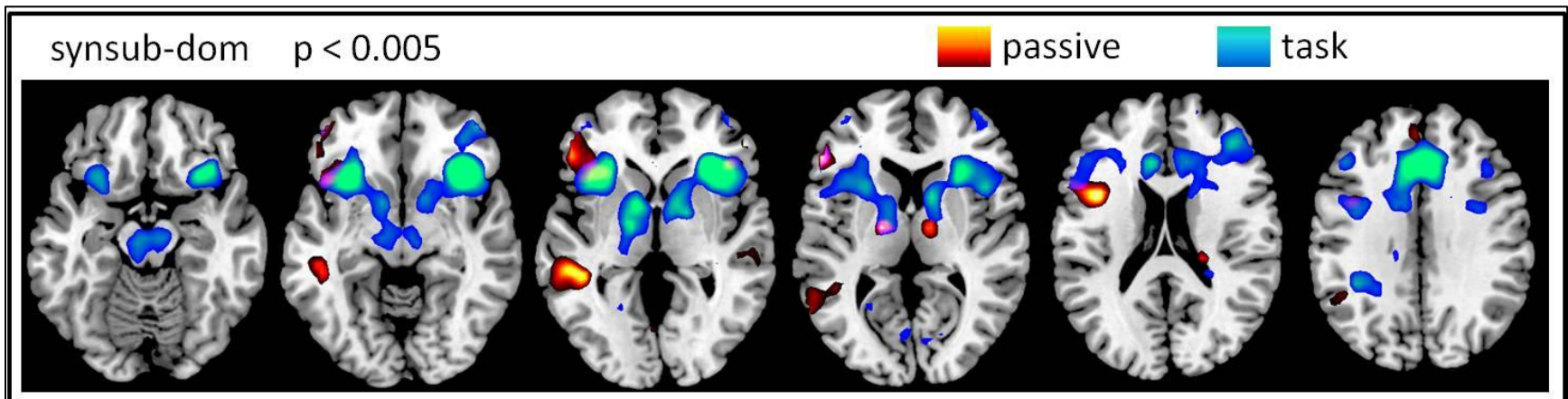
motivation

	<u>syntax</u>	<u>Semantic</u>	Ss
passive	"... boring colleagues were approaching ..."	"... wet palms swayed in the cool..."	12 YAs, 19 matures
task	"... boring colleagues were "	"...wet palms swayed "	12 YAs, 19 matures

subordinate: "... boring colleagues **was** damaging his career"

Subjects make acceptability judgments either during scanning (**task**) or in a post-scan questionnaire (**no-task**)

conventional multivariate SPM analysis



lack of LMTG involvement in the subordinate condition motivated an analysis which was able to discover hidden sources

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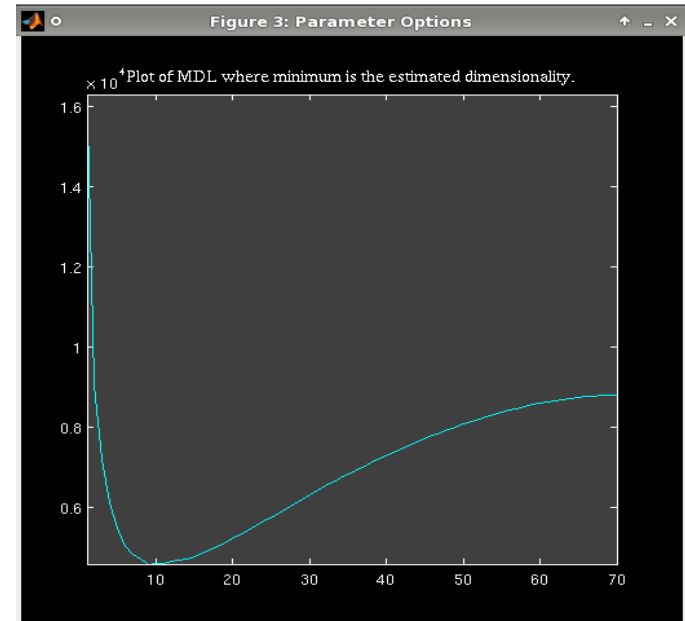
selection before

MDL – Minimum Description Length
used to estimate the likely number of sources

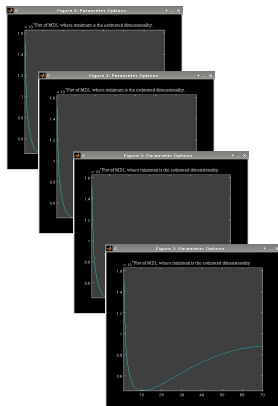
essentially a statistical instantiation of Occam's Razor

V is the number of voxels, **M** is the number of subjects
 $\mathcal{L}(\hat{\theta}^N)$ is the log of the maximum likelihood estimate of the
model parameters (estimated from the data, e.g., fMRI data)
ML is the number of time points following the first reduction
N is the number of sources.

$$MDL(N) = -V(ML - N)\mathcal{L}(\hat{\theta}_N) + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + NL + \frac{1}{2}(N - 1) \right) \ln V \quad (6)$$



alternatively, a single subject approach can be used to estimate both MDL and subsequent ICA



Spatial sorting is then used to compare or cluster individual components

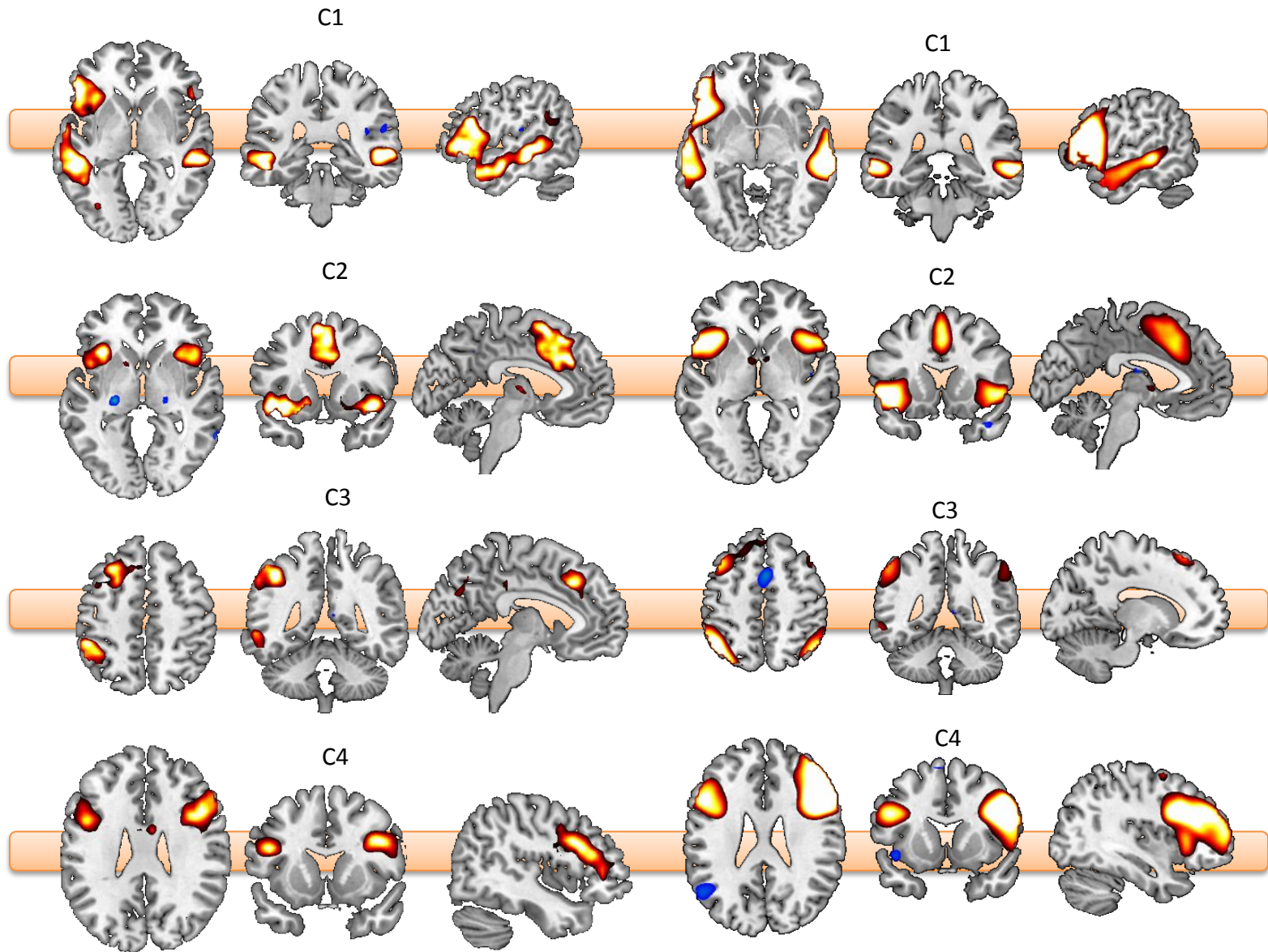
allows for unique spatial and temporal features

however, since fMRI data are noisy the components are not necessarily unmixed in the same way for each subject

spatial sorting

Younger adults

Mature adults



$p < 0.00001$

spatial sorting



youngs

C1

C2

C3

C4

...

C_N

matures

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C2

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C4

...

C_N

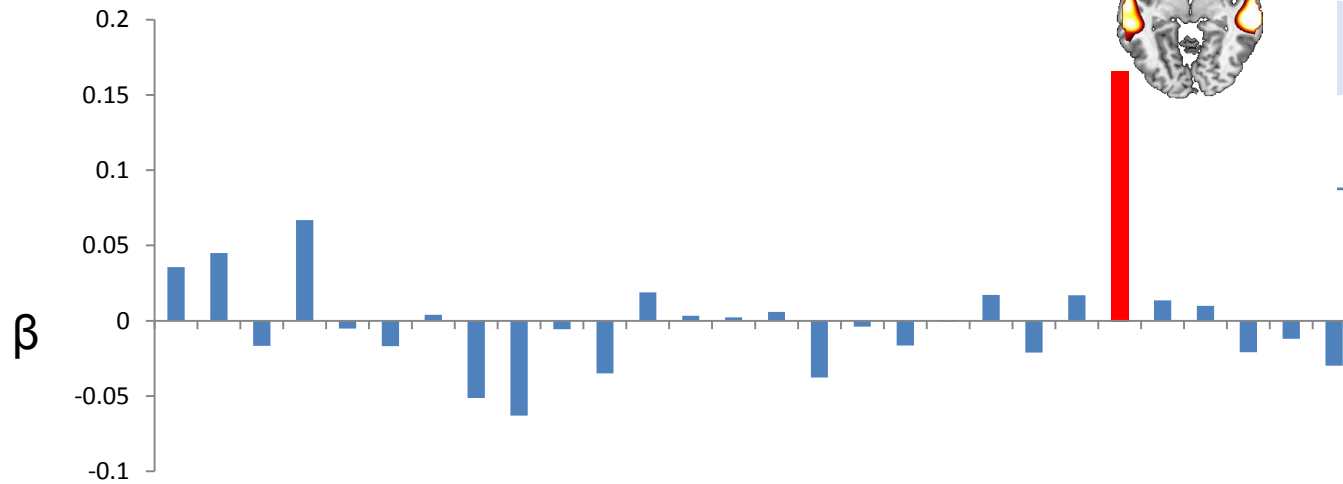
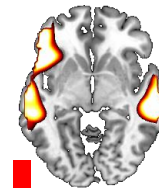
Network	Overlap (Betas)
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Language	.269
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RFP	.210
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OPER	.152
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MFG	.207
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OA components (arbitrary order)

selection after

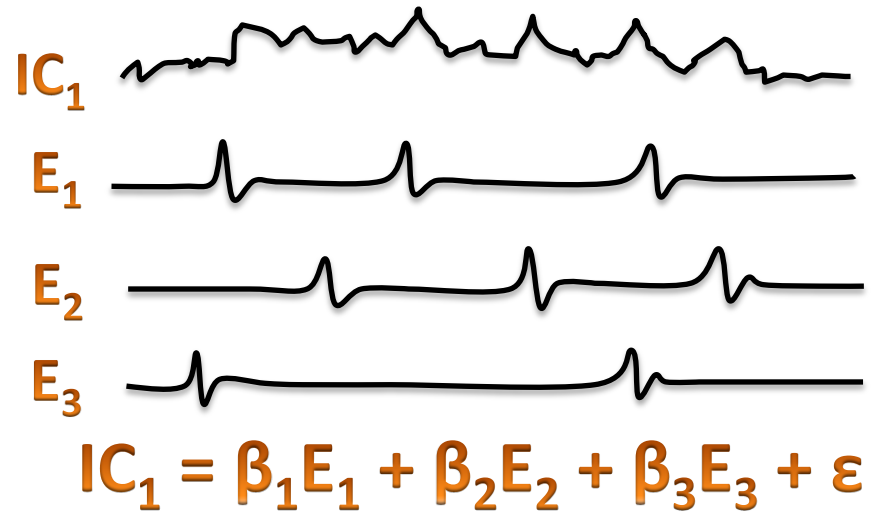
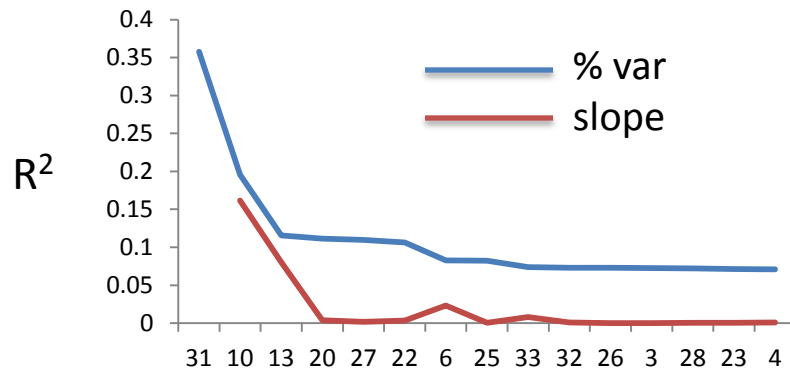
task-independent selection criteria

ICASSO (ICA Source Separation Operation) – reliability of extracted timecourses

ICA is run several times and components are clustered based on their absolute value of the correlation between the squared source estimates.

task-dependent selection criteria

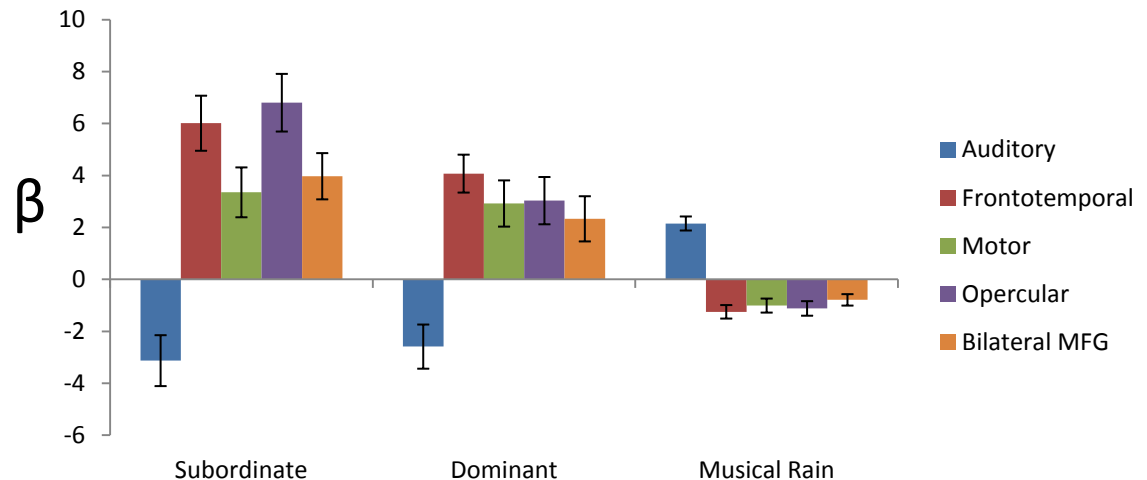
“temporal sorting”



one-sample t-test

of the regression estimates (β s)
associated with each trial type

of the components themselves
→ input indiv. subject
component maps into SPM



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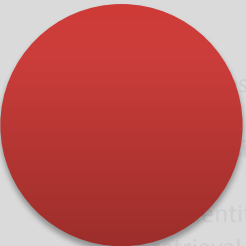
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Calhoun et al., 2001								
Calhoun et al., 2004	Biological Psychiatry	group - schizophrenia	stacked	GIFT	qualitative		Z	$p < 0.0001$ $Z > 3.1$
Danielmeier et al., 2011	J Neuroscience	prediction errors - reference task	n/a	GIFT	semi-qualitative	ICASSO	t	$p < 0.0001$, 27 voxels, FDR < 0.01
Eichele et al., 2008	PNAS	prediction errors - reference task	stacked +		semi-qualitative	ICASSO	t - ?	FDR 0.01 / $t = \sim 4$
Jafri et al., 2008	Neuroimage	group - schizophrenia	separate	GIFT	qualitative	AIC	t	$t > 5.6$, $n = 20$
Sambataro et al., 2010	Neurobiology of Aging	memory - working memory	stacked	GIFT	quantitative (map)	20	t	$p < 0.001$
Schmithorst et al., 2005	NeuroImage	music - processing	n/a		quantitative (task-related)	MDL (max)	t	$p = 0.05/150$ (corrected for num components and 3 tests)
Schmithorst et al., 2006	NeuroImage	language - phon	stacked	GIFT	quantitative (task-related)	MDL	t	$p = 0.01/52$
Schmithorst et al., 2007	Human Brain Mapping	language - identification	n/a	GIFT	quantitative (task-related)	MDL	t	$p = 0.01/52$
St. Jacques et al., 2010	Neuroimage	memory - retrieval	n/a	GIFT	quantitative	MDL (mean)	t	$p < 0.0001$
Tie et al., 2008	Neuroimage	language - generation	n/a	GIFT	quantitative	MDL (max)	t	$p < 0.001$



● $p = 0.05 / \# \text{ Components}$



● $p = 0.001$



● $p = 0.0001$



● FDR $p = 0.01$

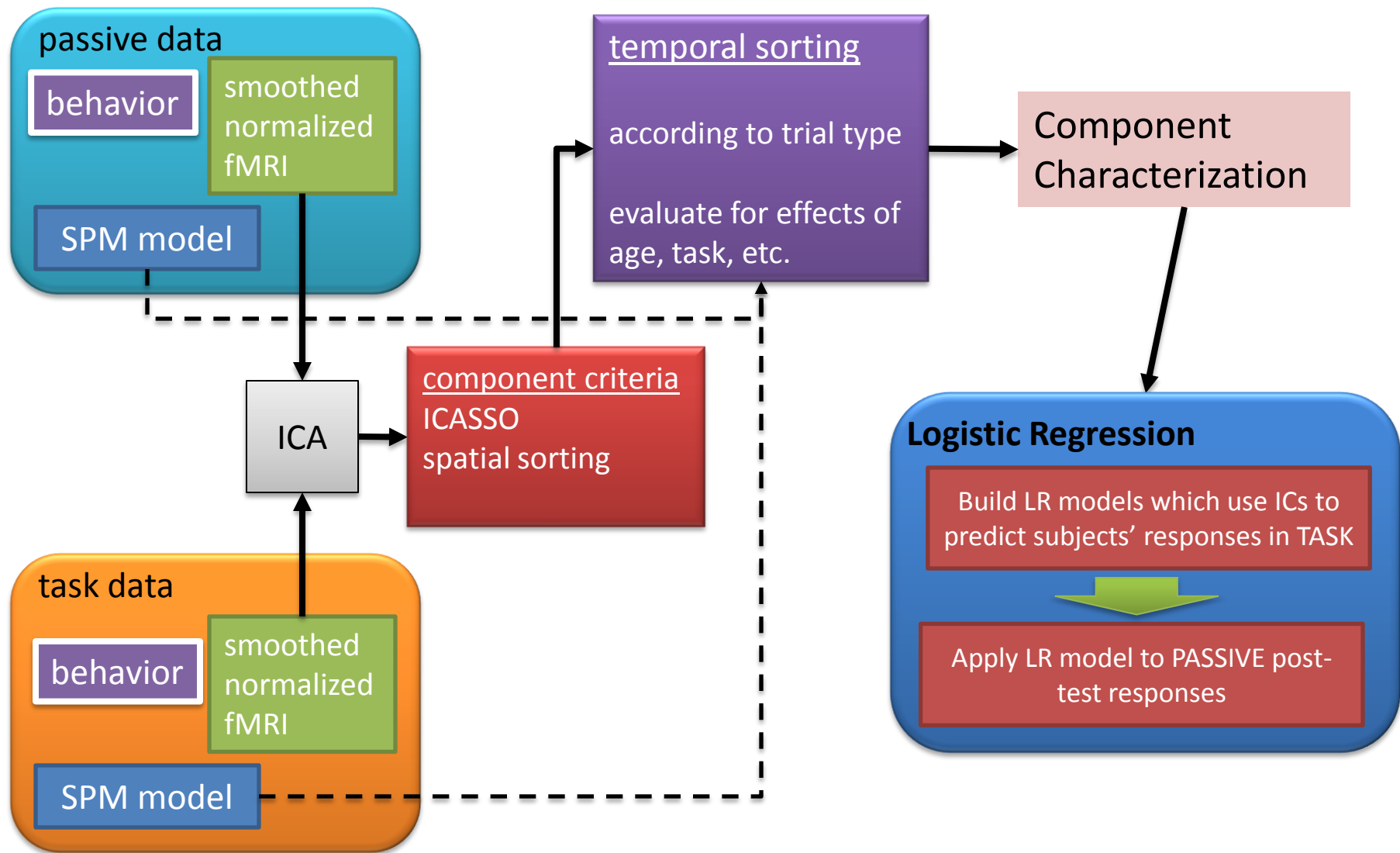


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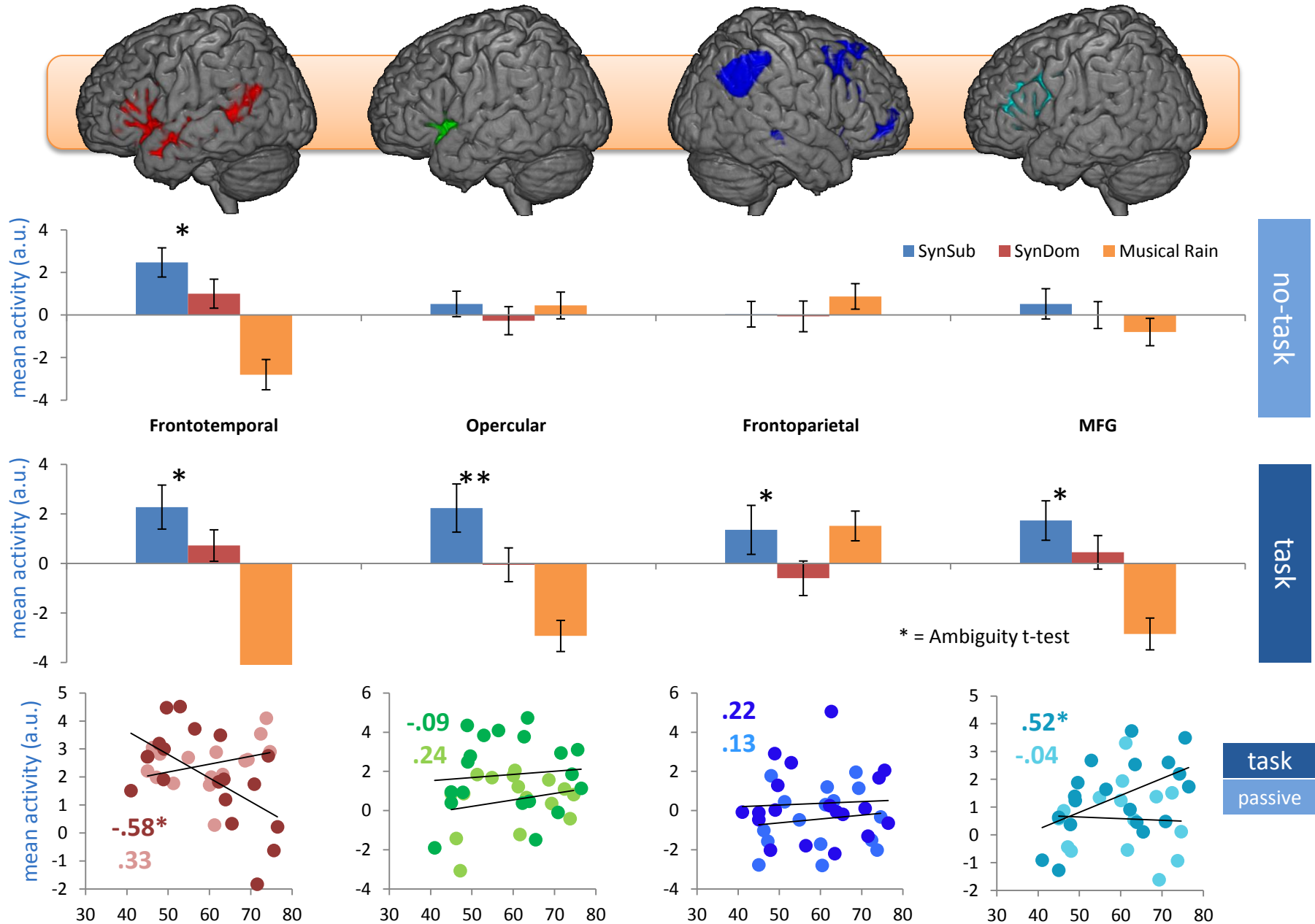
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what threshold do I use to display my data?

how do I compare within/across groups?



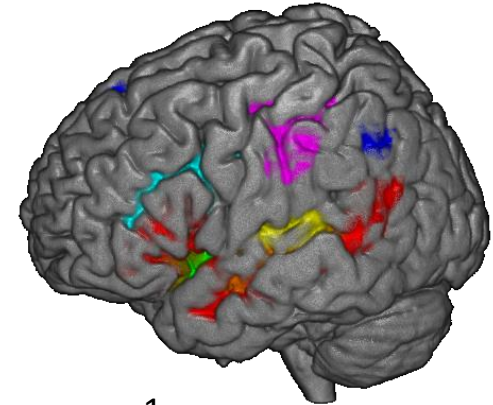
component characterization



Using Logistic Regression to Predict Subjects Subsequent responses during Passive Listening

$$P(\text{event}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}} \quad \text{where } z = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_k x_k$$

logistic regression is performed on trial-wise information about the loading of each component, with accuracy on each trial (0, 1) as the outcome variable.

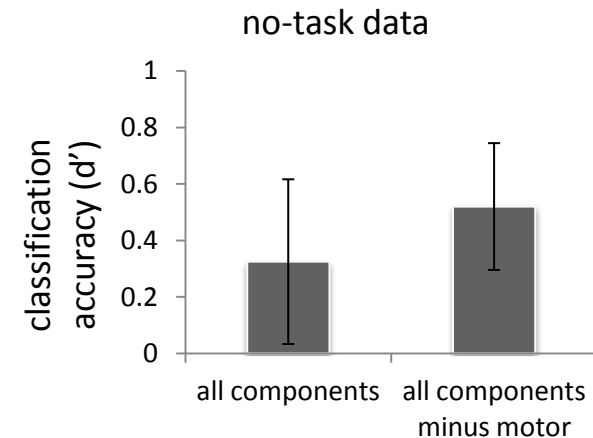


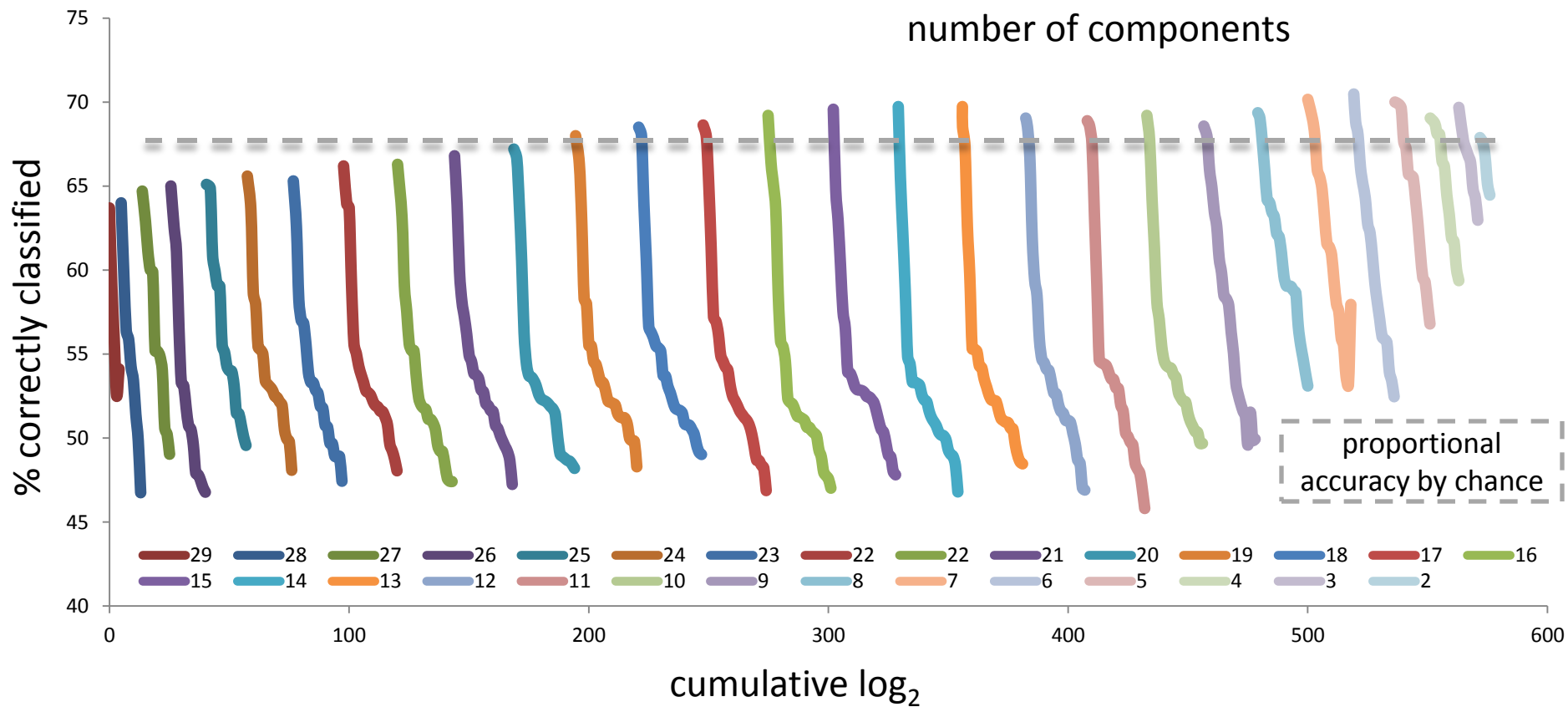
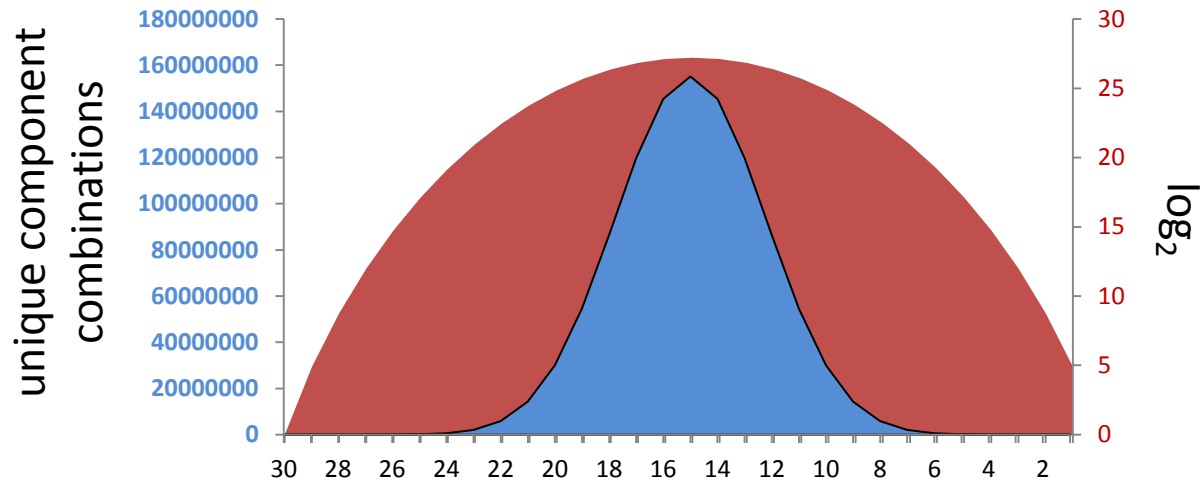
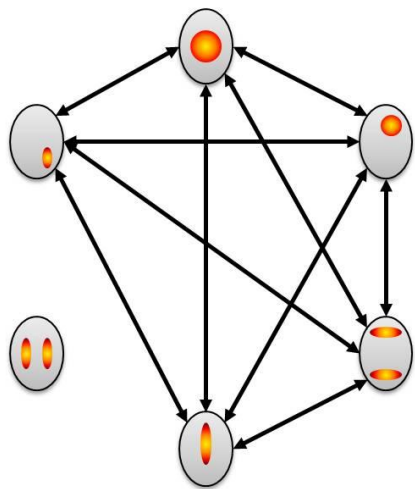
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1	70.7	33.7	15.7	FRNTMP	2.18	0.039
				OPERC	0.47	0.006
				MFG	0.89	0.010
				FP	-1.73	-0.020
				AUD	-0.04	-0.001
				MOT	-2.64	-0.032
				Const	2.99	1.313

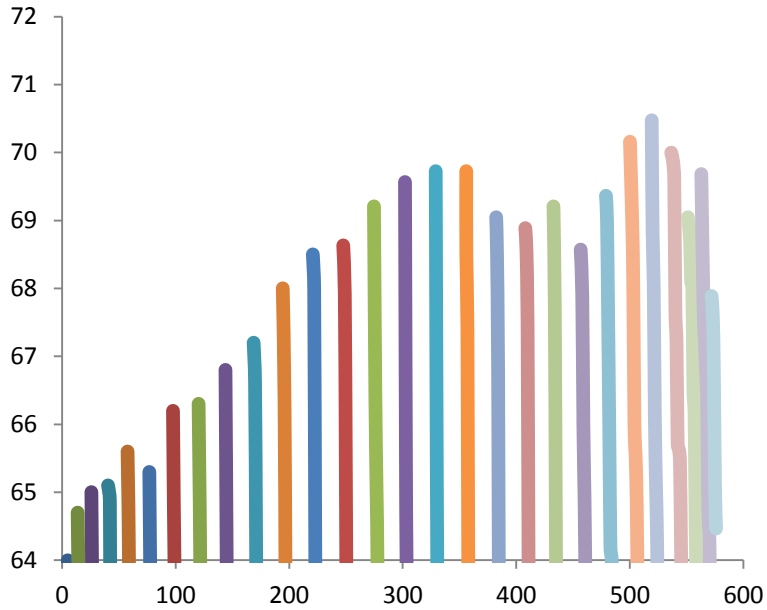
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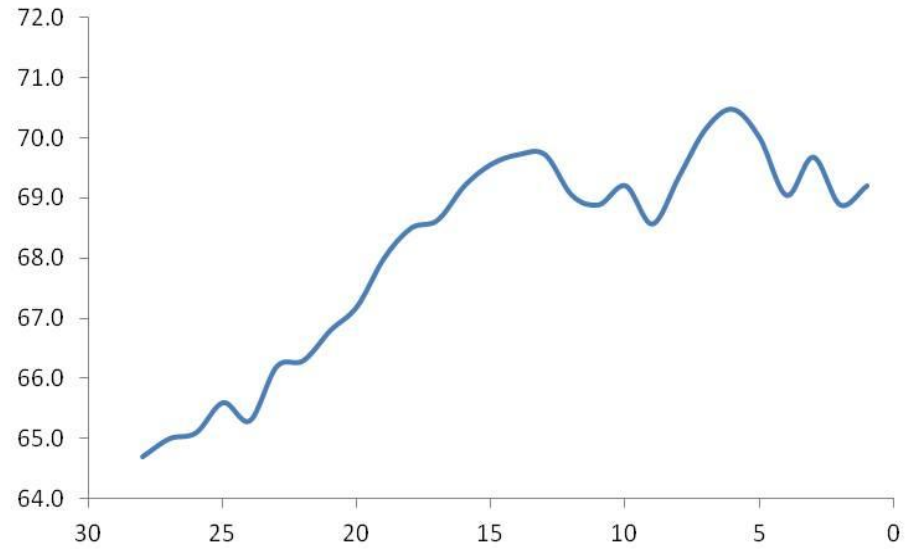
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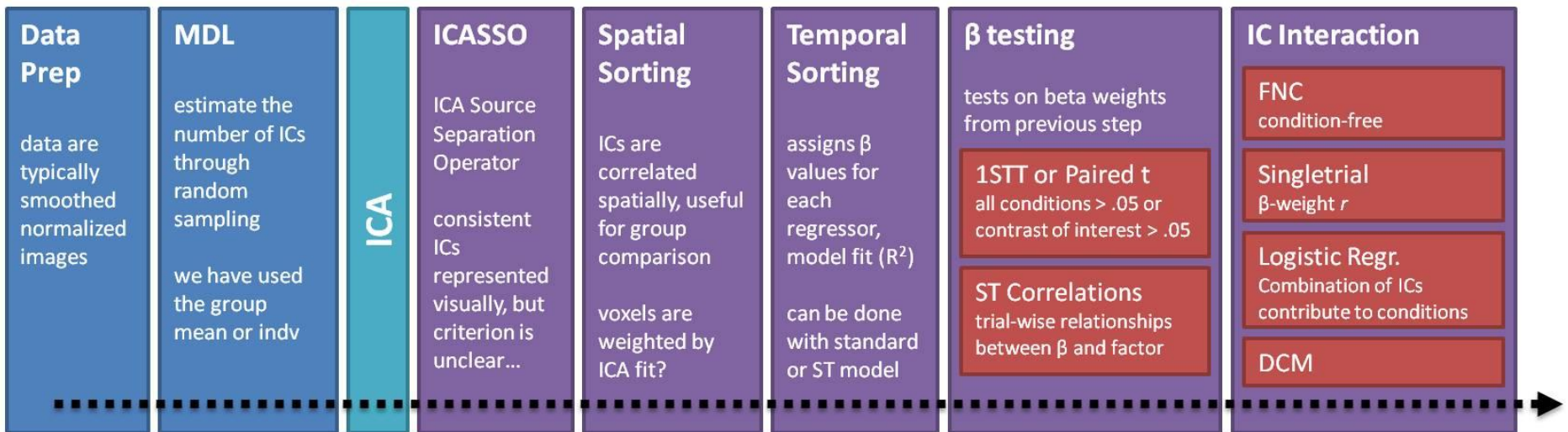




Full model logistic



SPSS output –
Backwards Conditional Stepwise
Logistic Regression



advantages

ICA is a data-driven approach, complementary to hypothesis-driven methods (e.g. GLM) for analyzing fMRI data

Finds reduced dimensionality descriptions of poorly understood, high dimensional spaces

Requires no a-priori knowledge about hemodynamics, noise models, time-courses of subject stimuli,...