

Nonlinear approaches to neural system identification

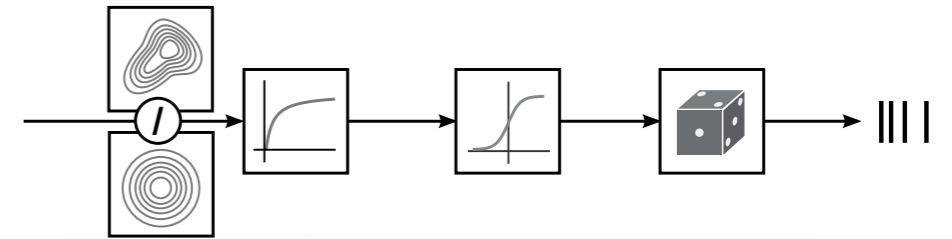
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Overview

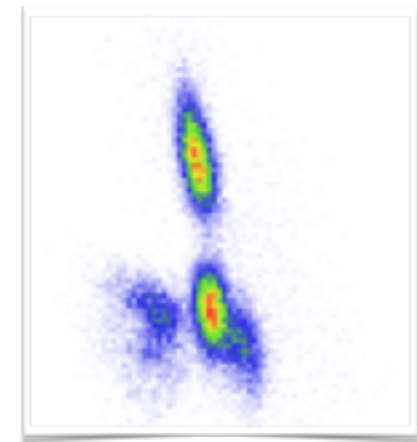
1 Beyond generalized linear models

The spike-triggered mixture model



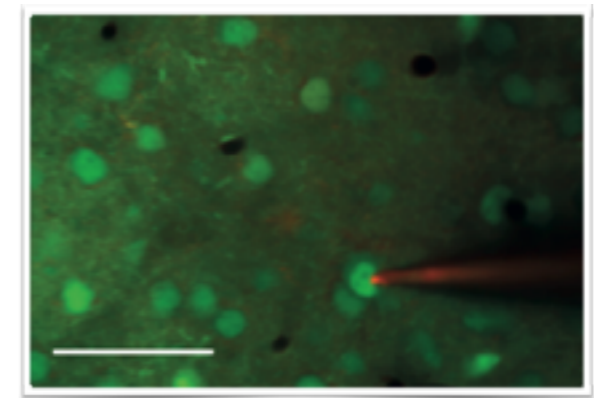
2 From stimulus to spikes

Modeling the stimulus-response relationship of whisker receptors



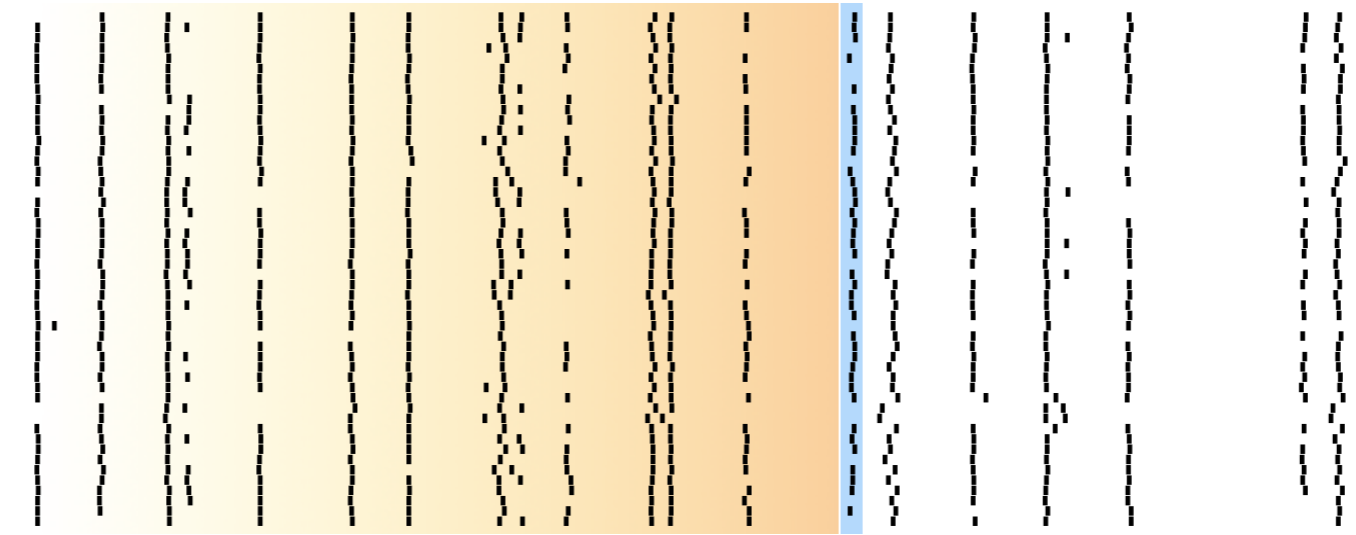
3 From calcium to spikes

Improved spike estimation for two-photon imaging

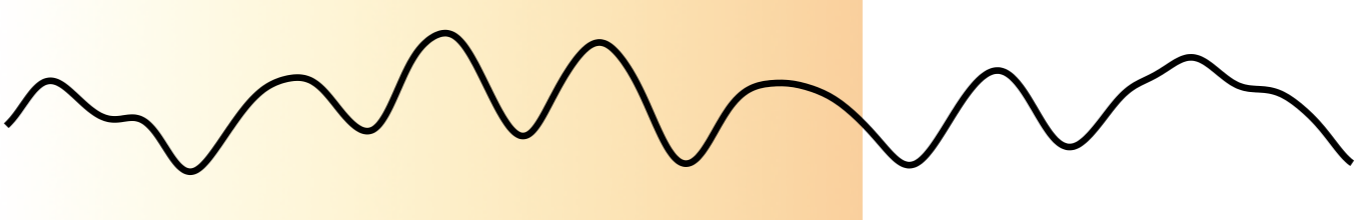


Neural system identification

Spikes

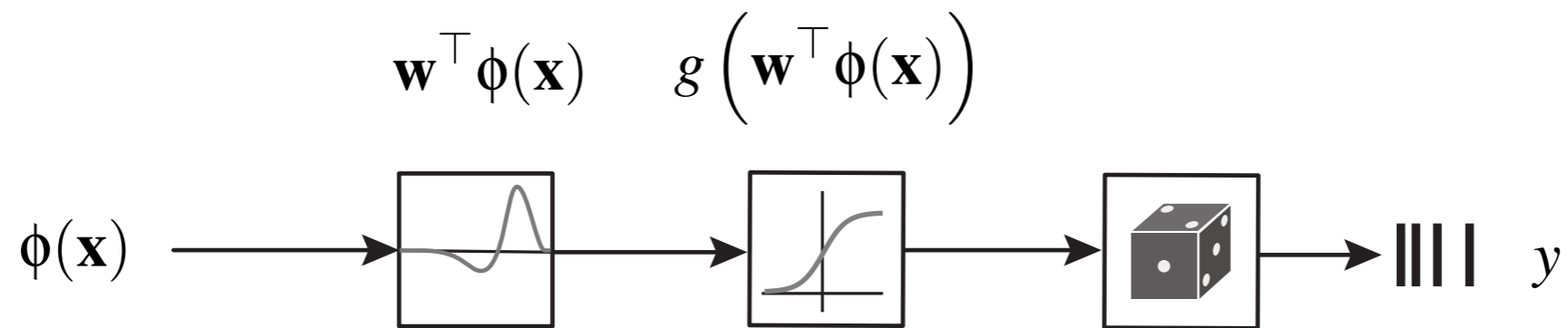


Stimulus

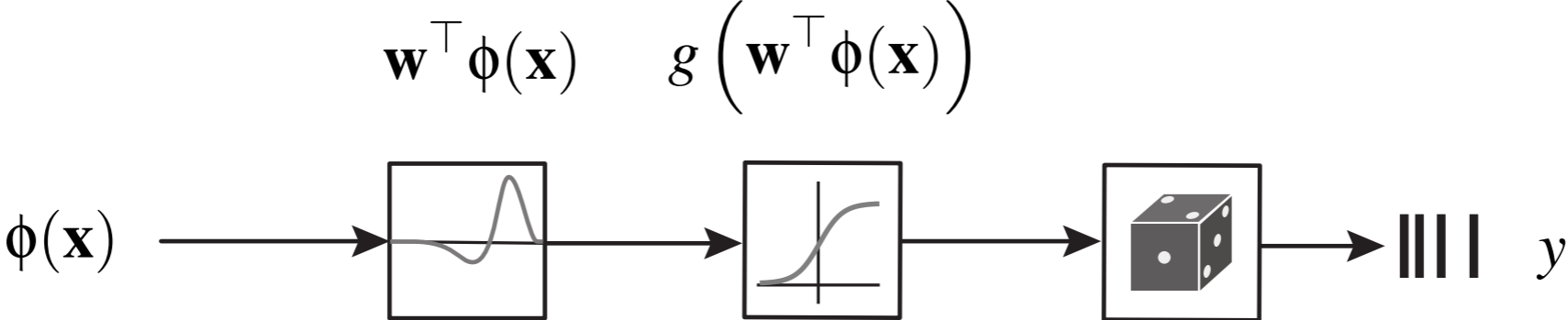


$$p(\text{spike} \mid \mathbf{x})$$

Generalized linear models



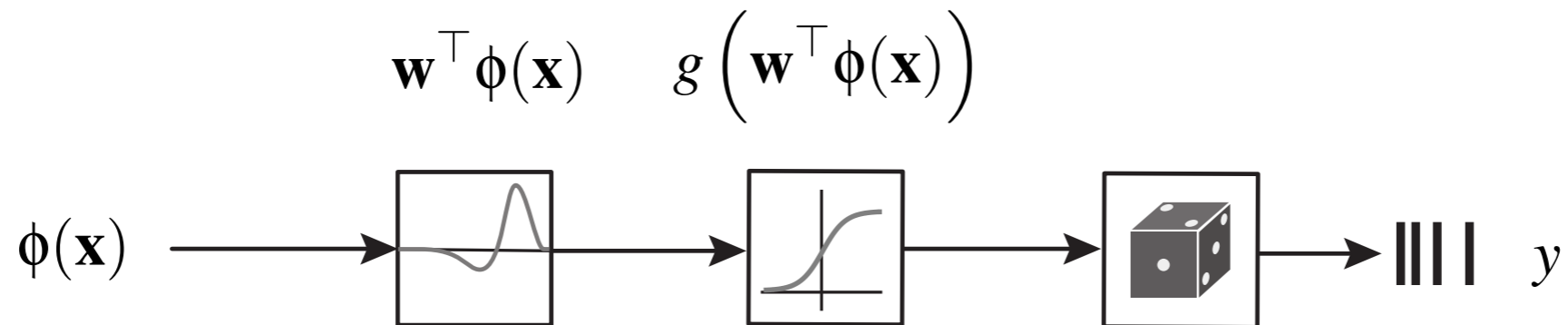
Generalized linear models



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Linear-nonlinear-Bernoulli

$$p(y | \mathbf{x}) = r^y (1 - r)^{1-y}$$

$$r = \left(1 + \exp \left(-\mathbf{w}^\top \phi(\mathbf{x}) \right) \right)^{-1}$$

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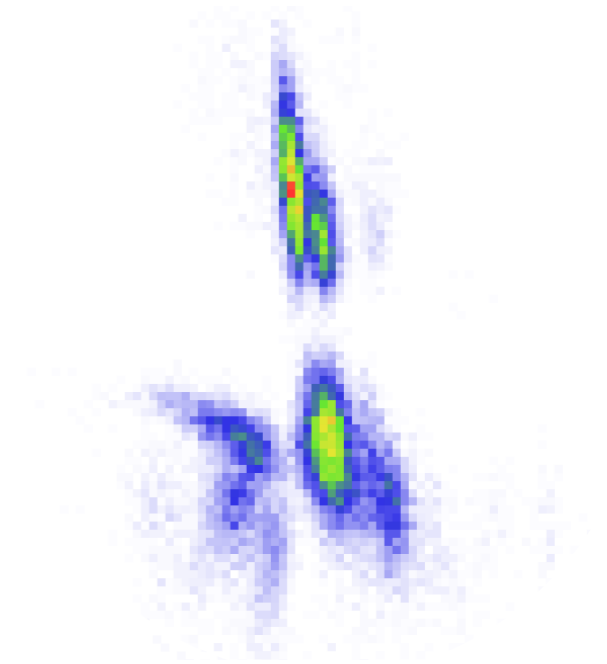
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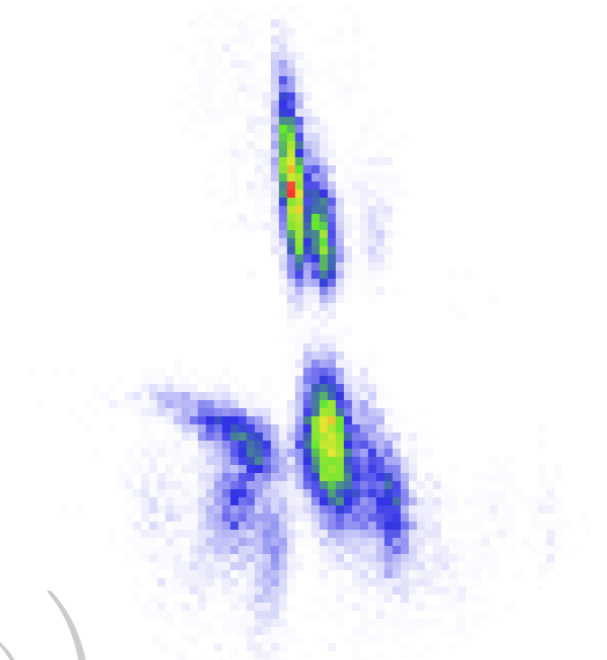


Spike-triggered mixture model

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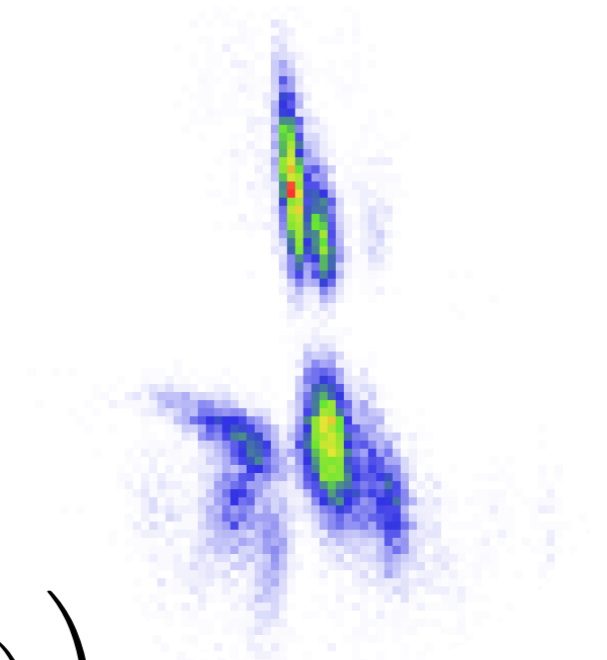


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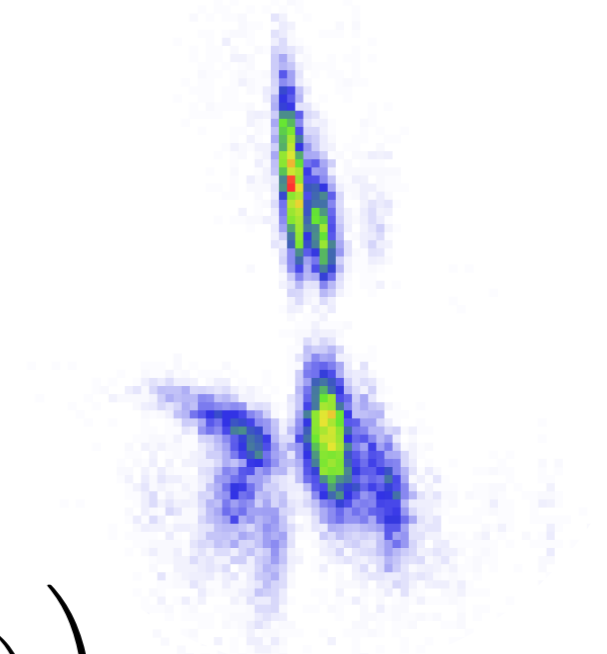
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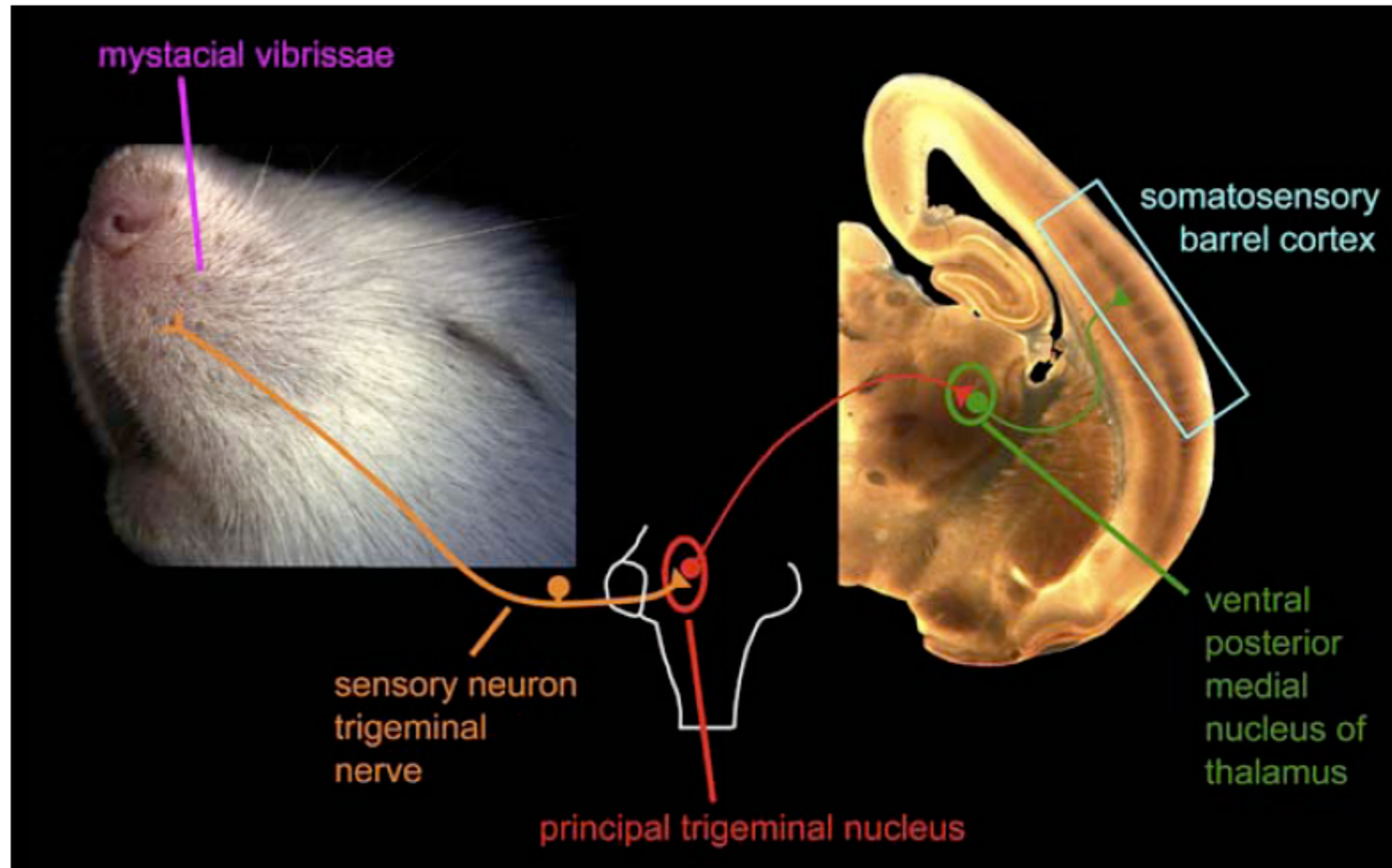
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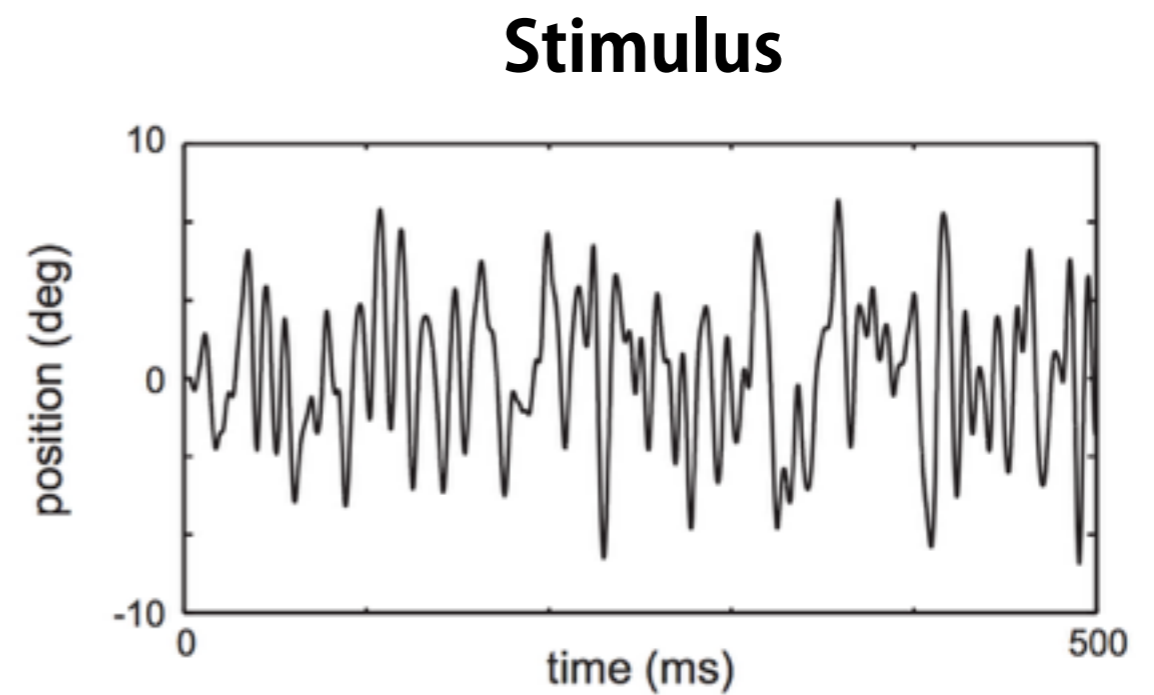
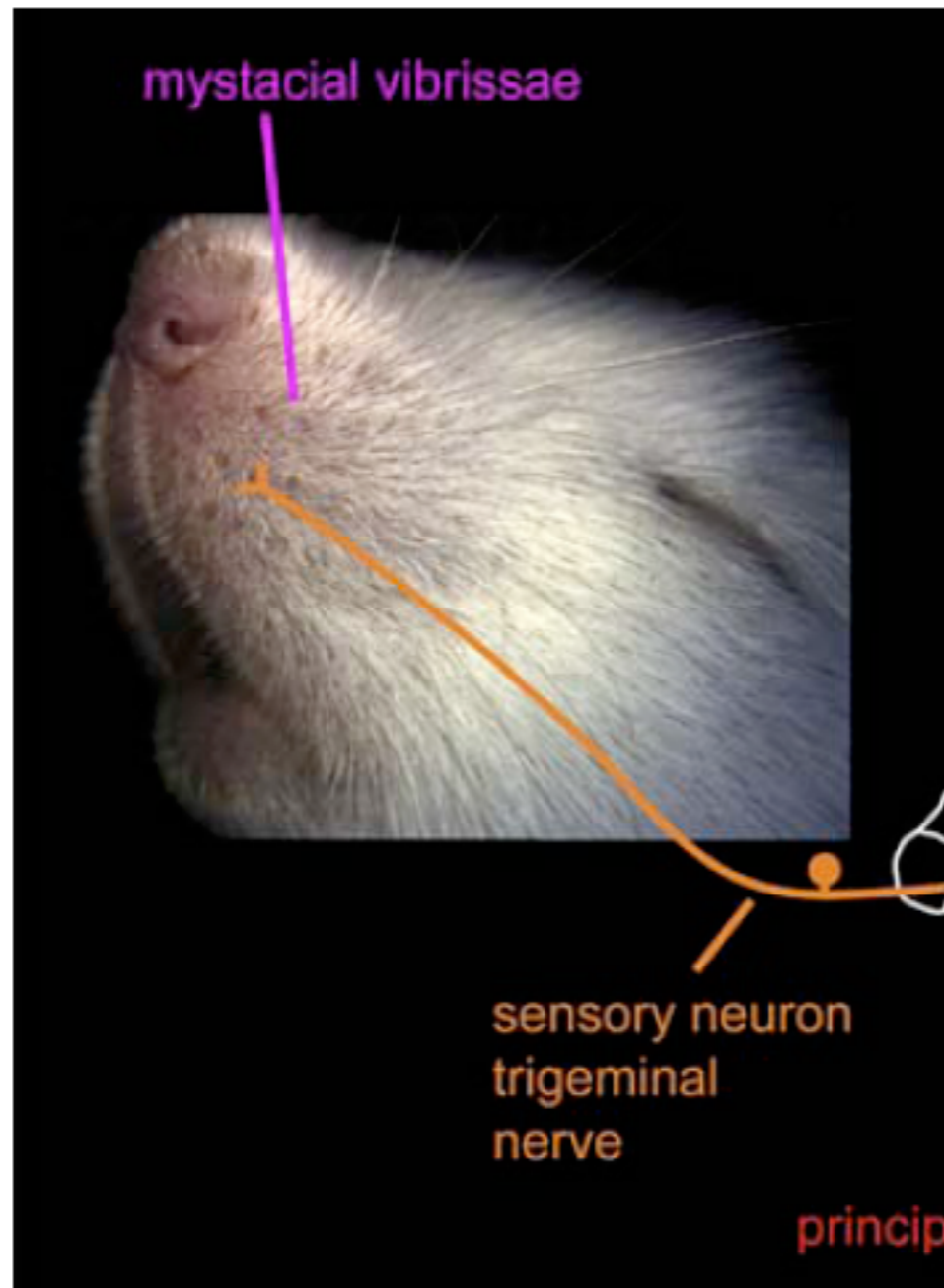


From stimulus to spikes

Trigeminal ganglion cells

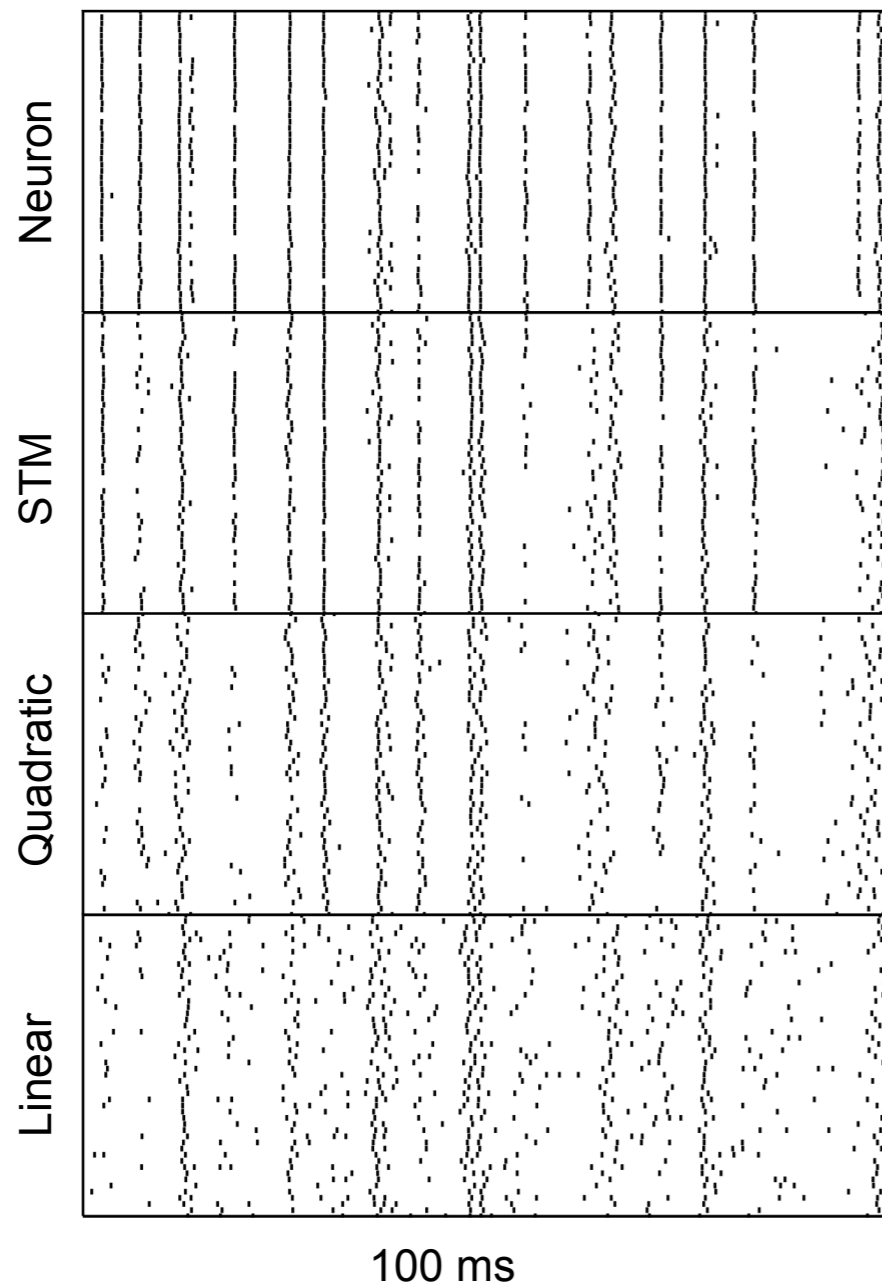


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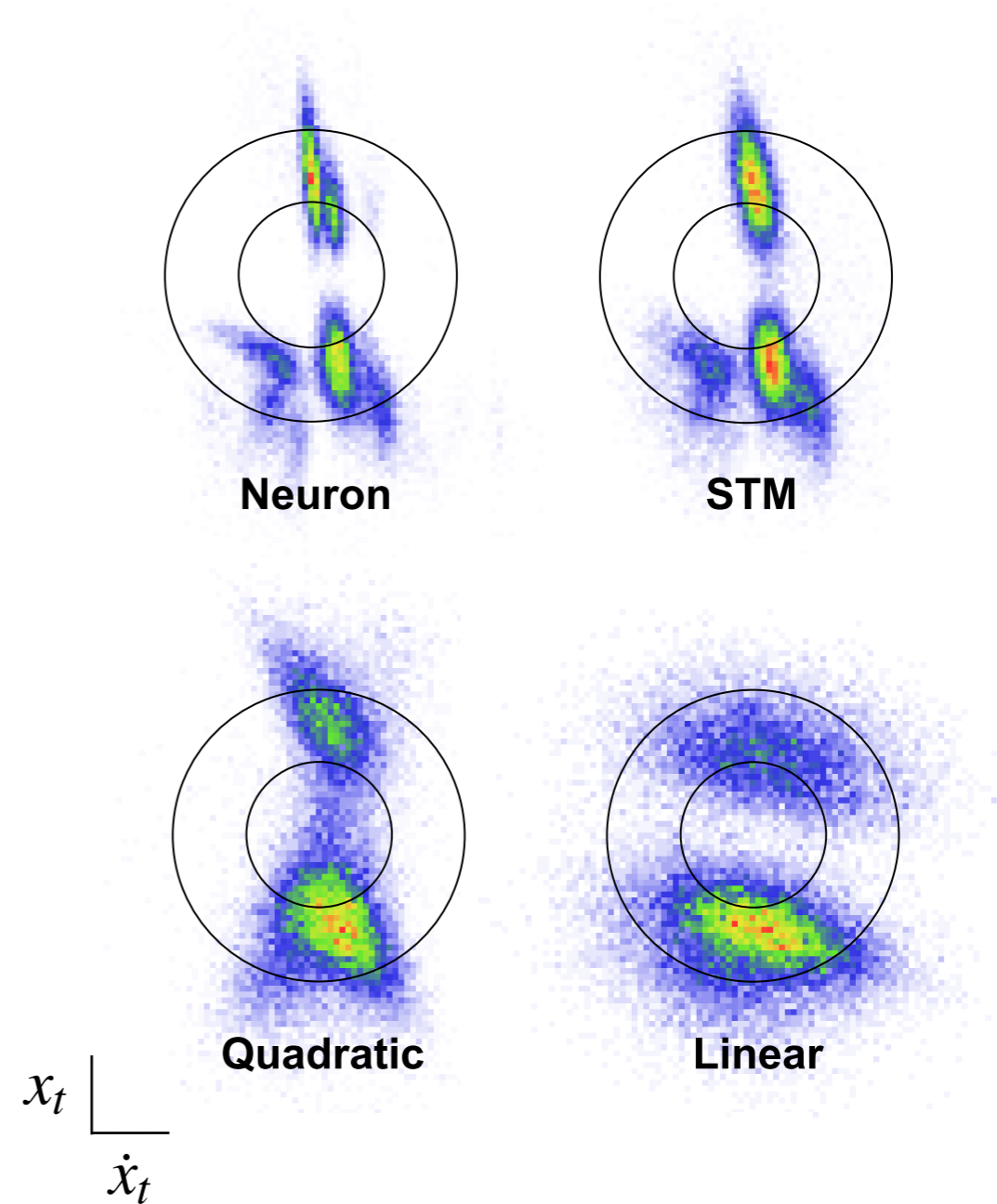


Qualitative evaluation

Spike trains



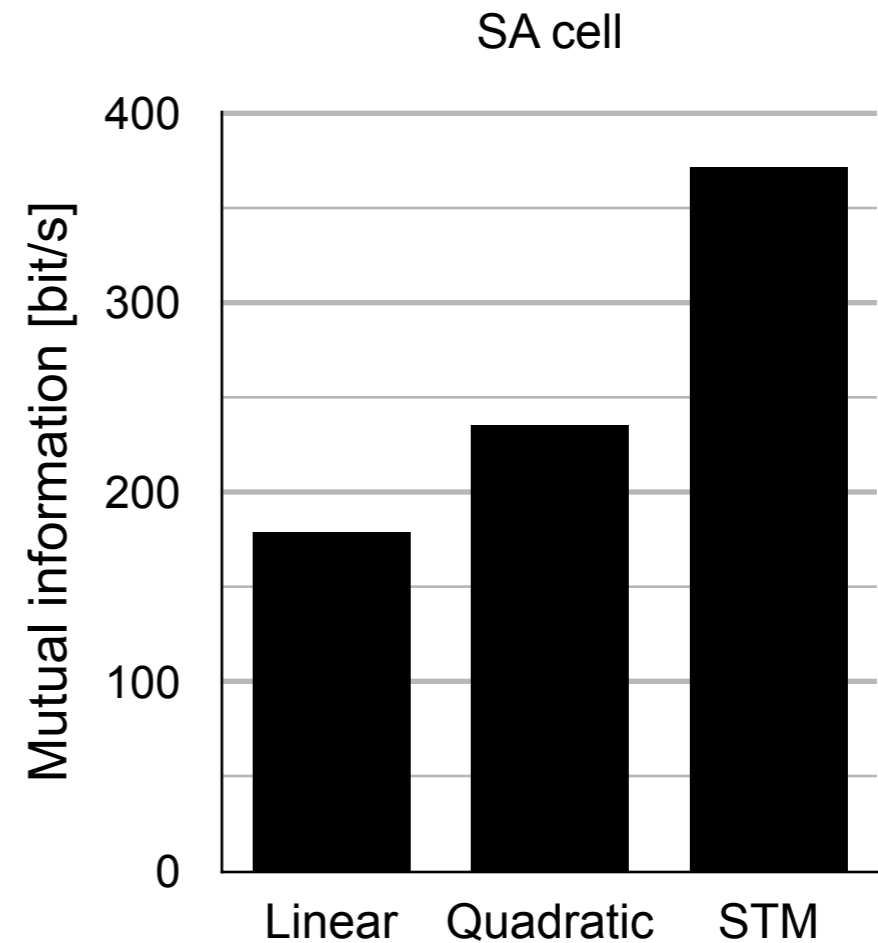
Spike-triggered distribution



Quantitative comparison

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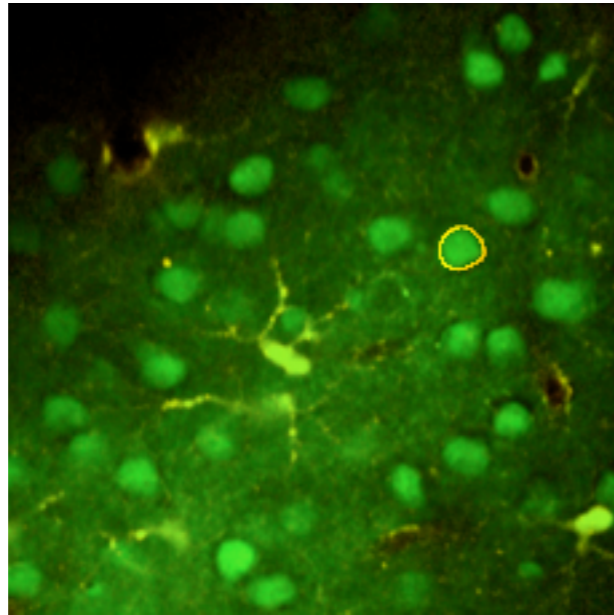
Expected log-likelihood



From calcium to spikes

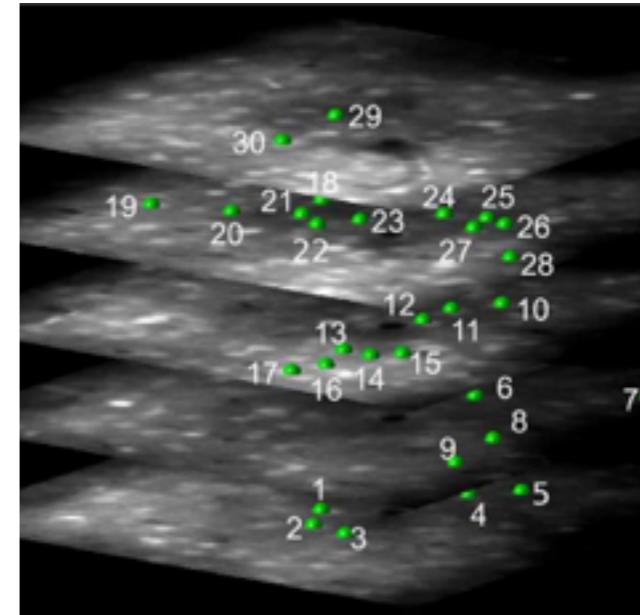
Two-photon calcium imaging

Galvanometric

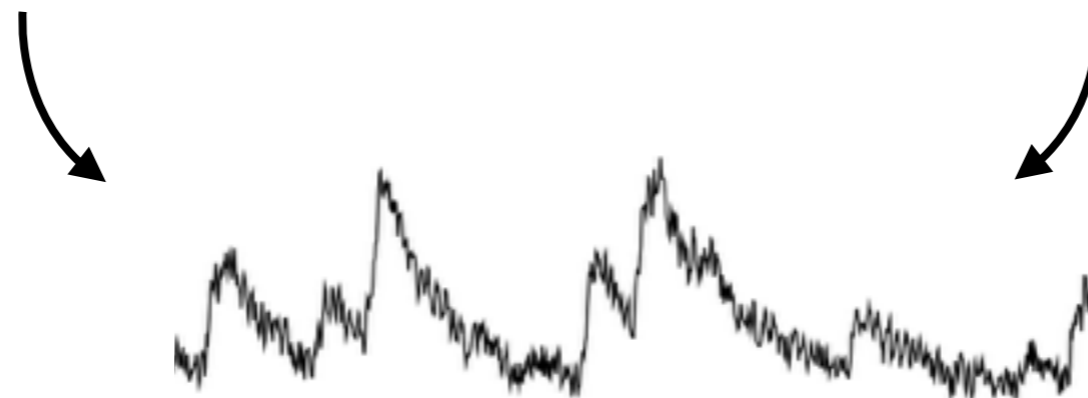


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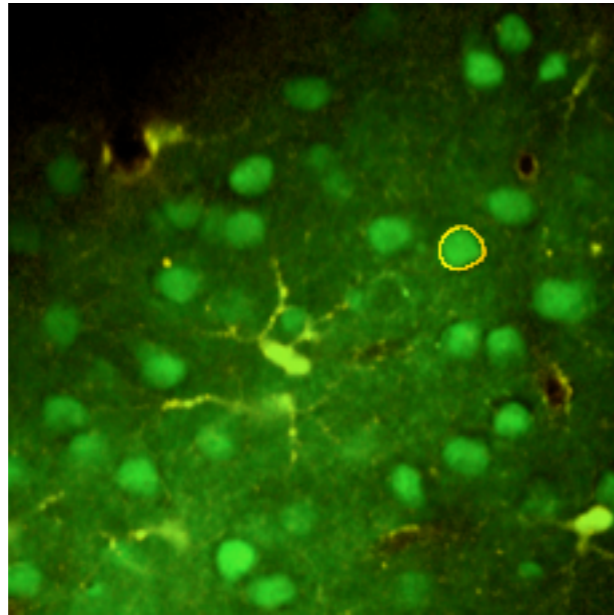


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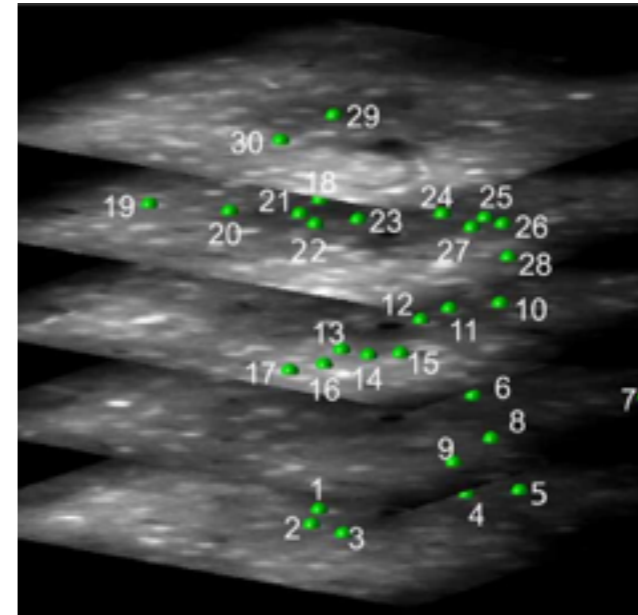
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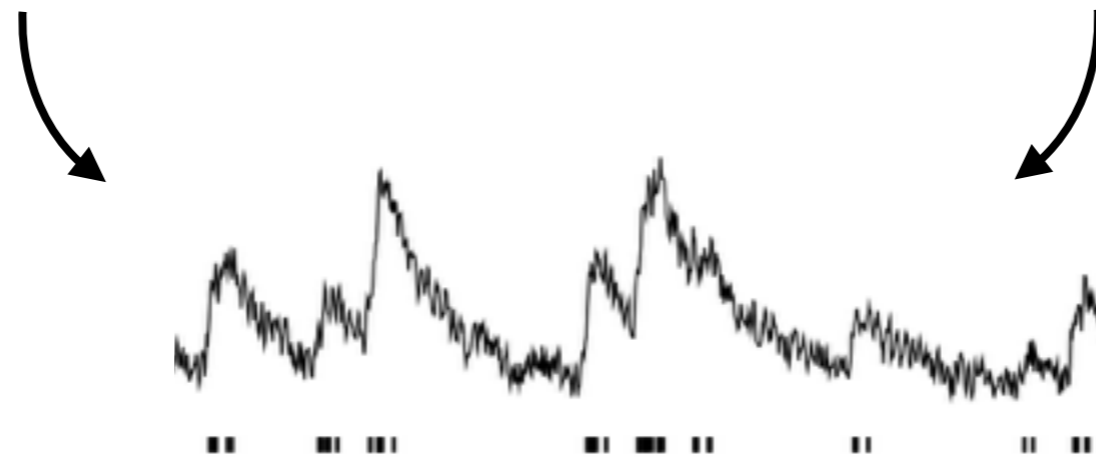


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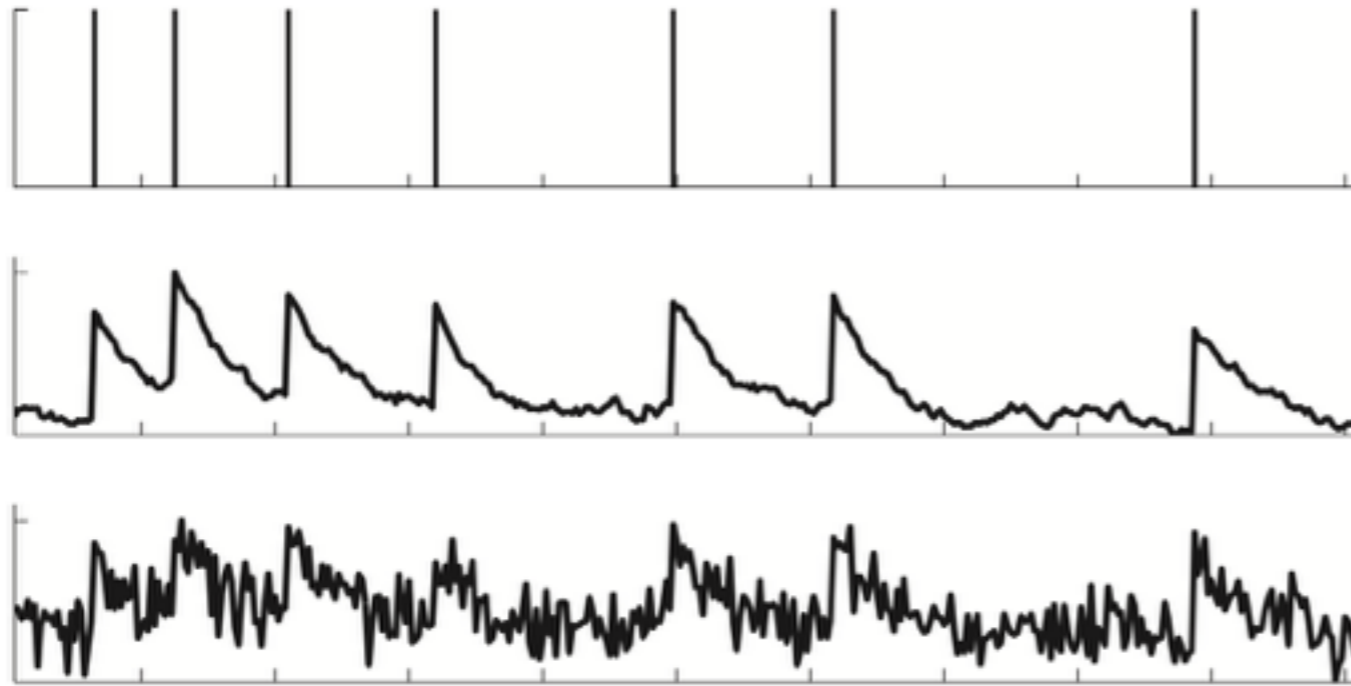
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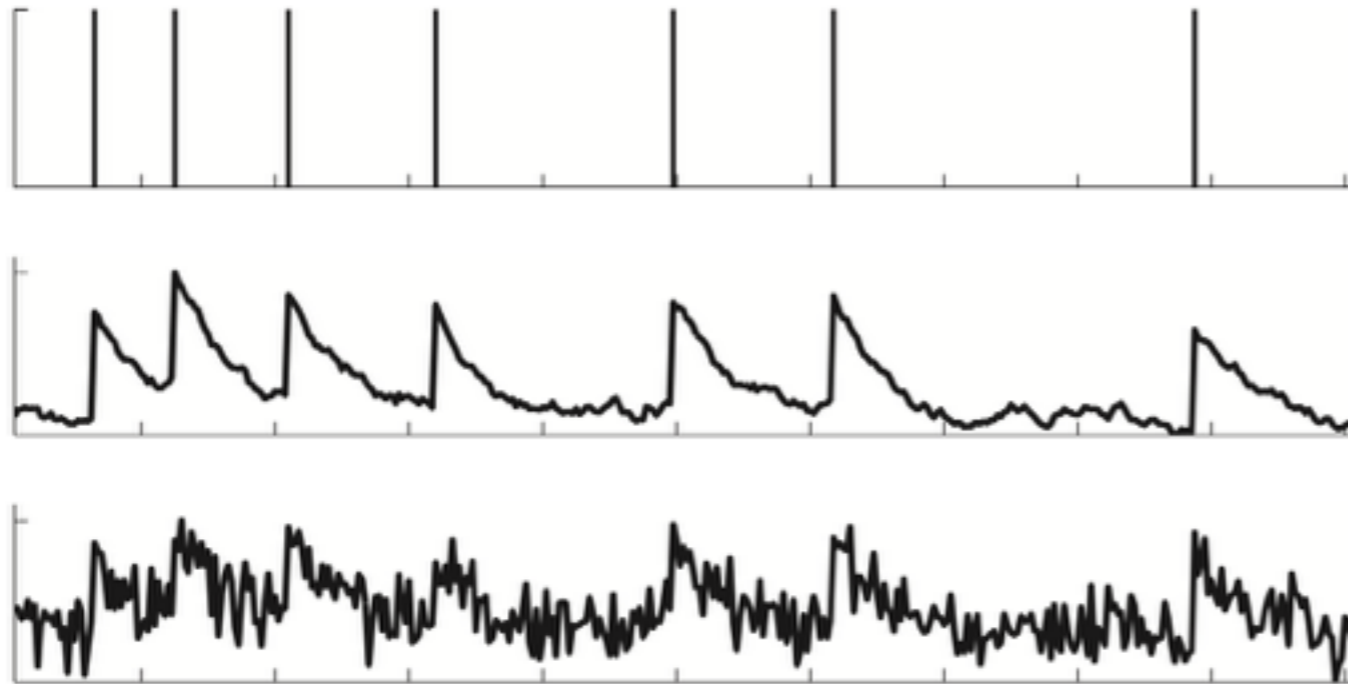
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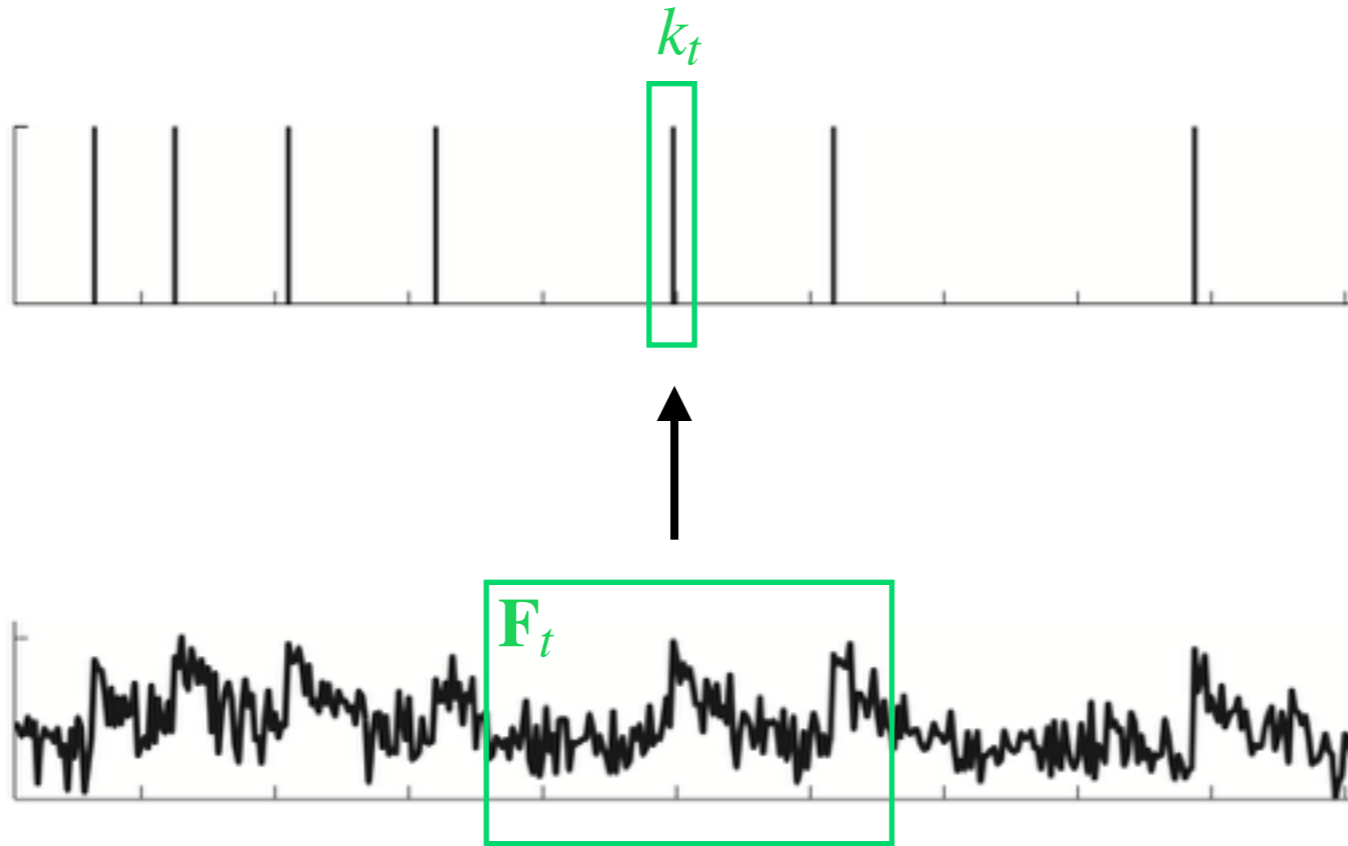
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Estimating spike trains

MAP: $\hat{\mathbf{k}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{k}} P(\mathbf{k} | \mathbf{F})$

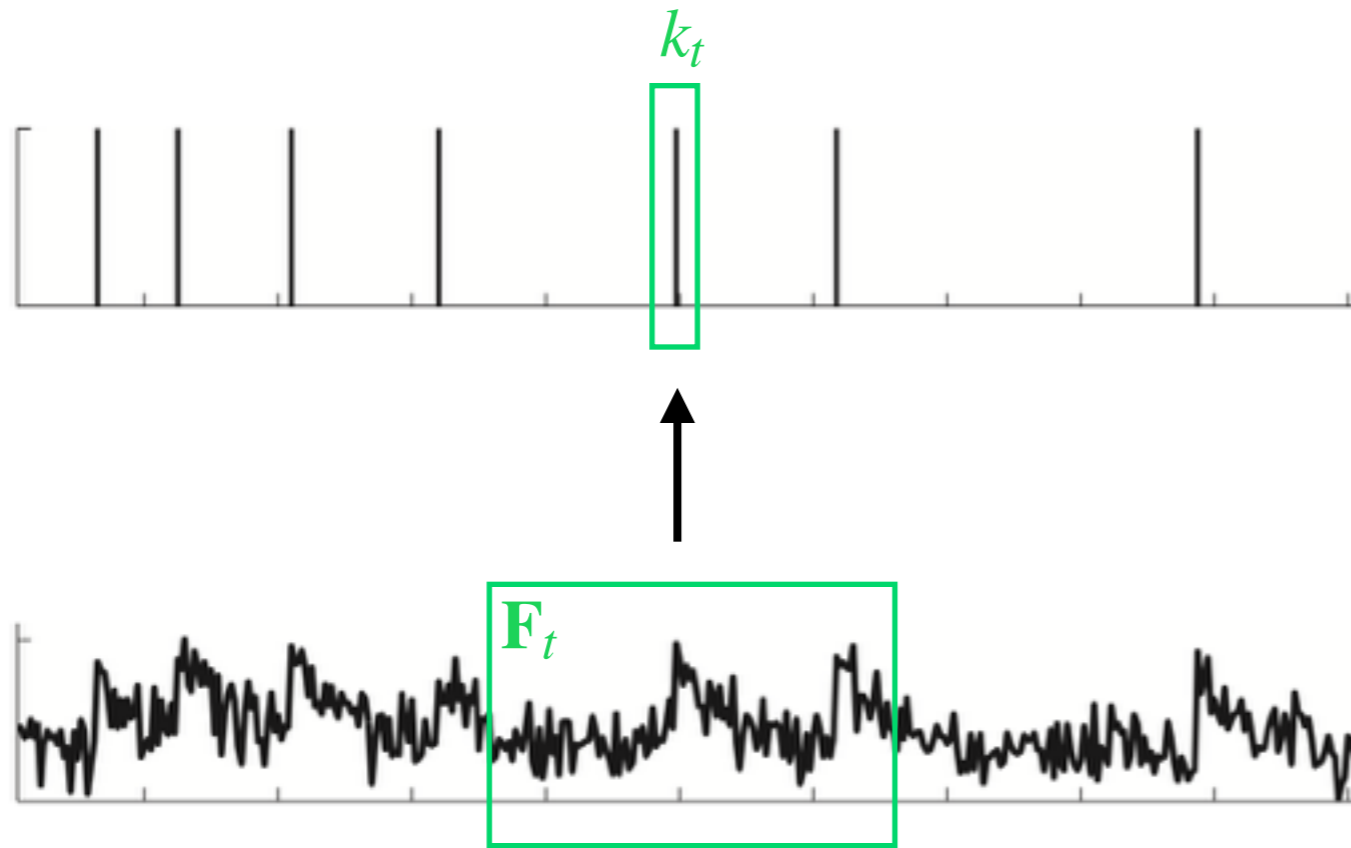
SMC: $\hat{\mathbf{k}} = E[\mathbf{k} | \mathbf{F}]$

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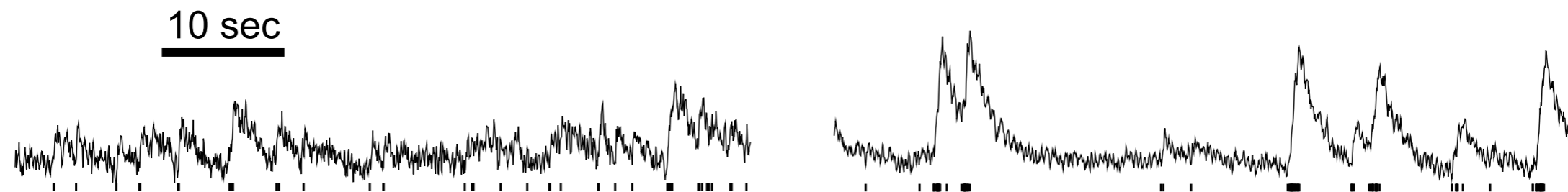
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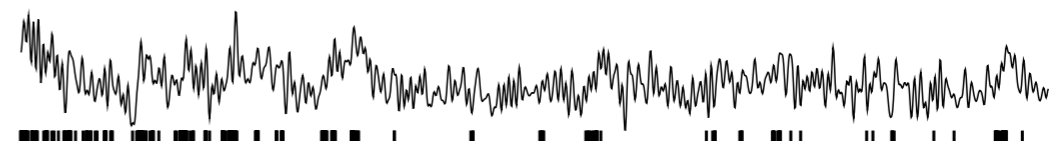
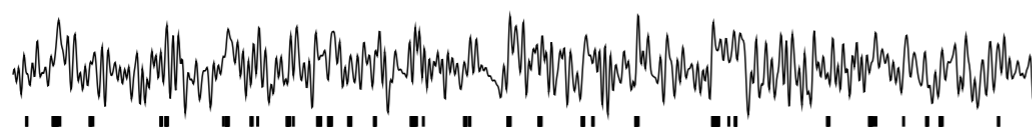
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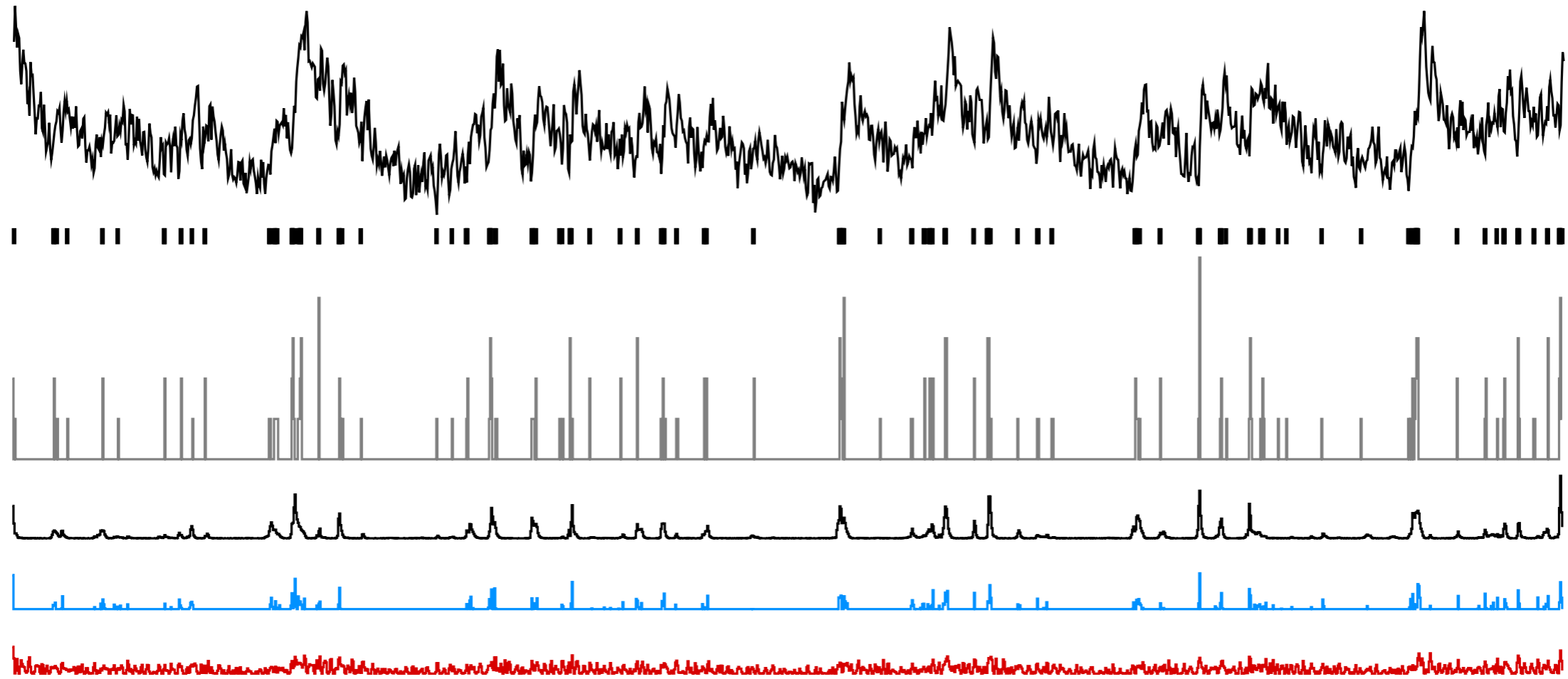
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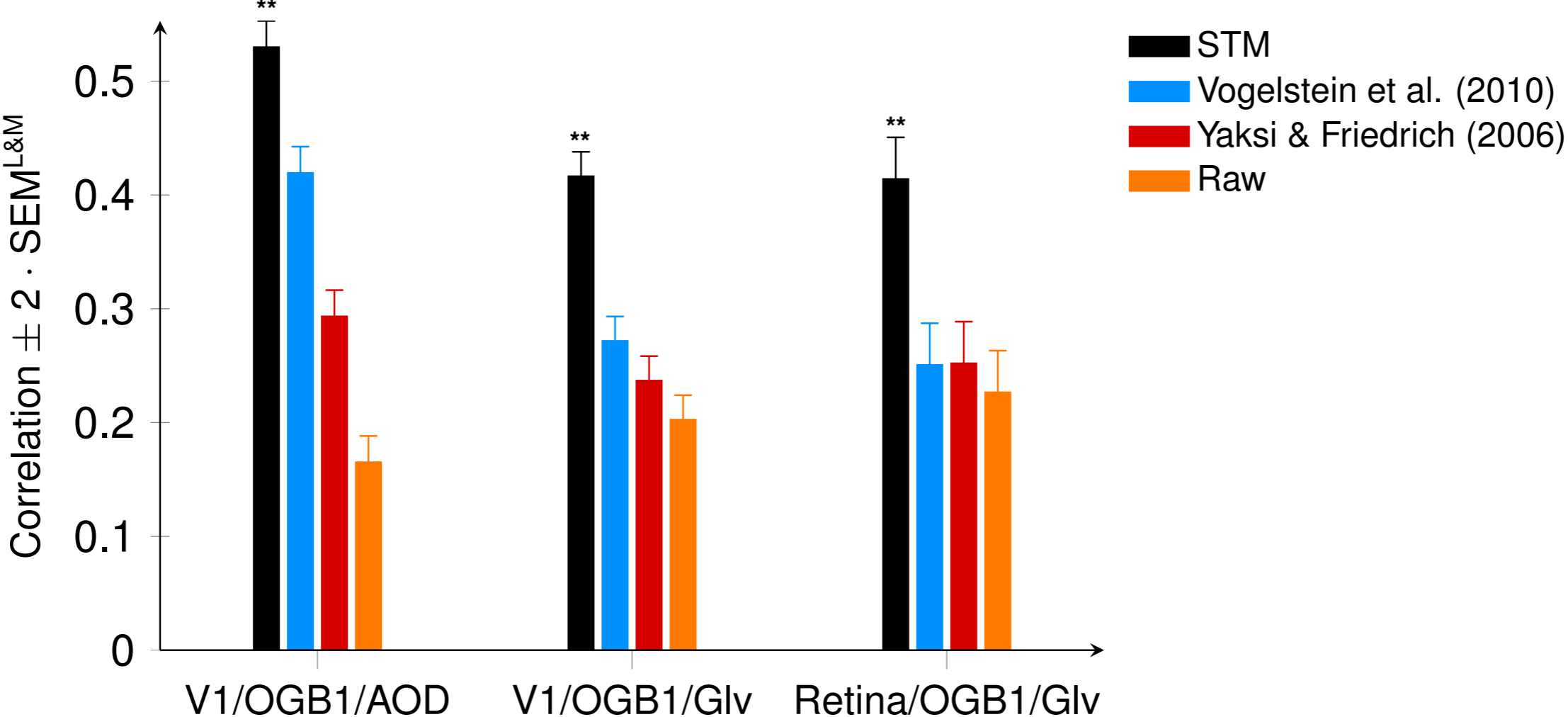
Spike predictions

- STM
- Vogelstein et al. (2010)
- Yaksi & Friedrich (2006)

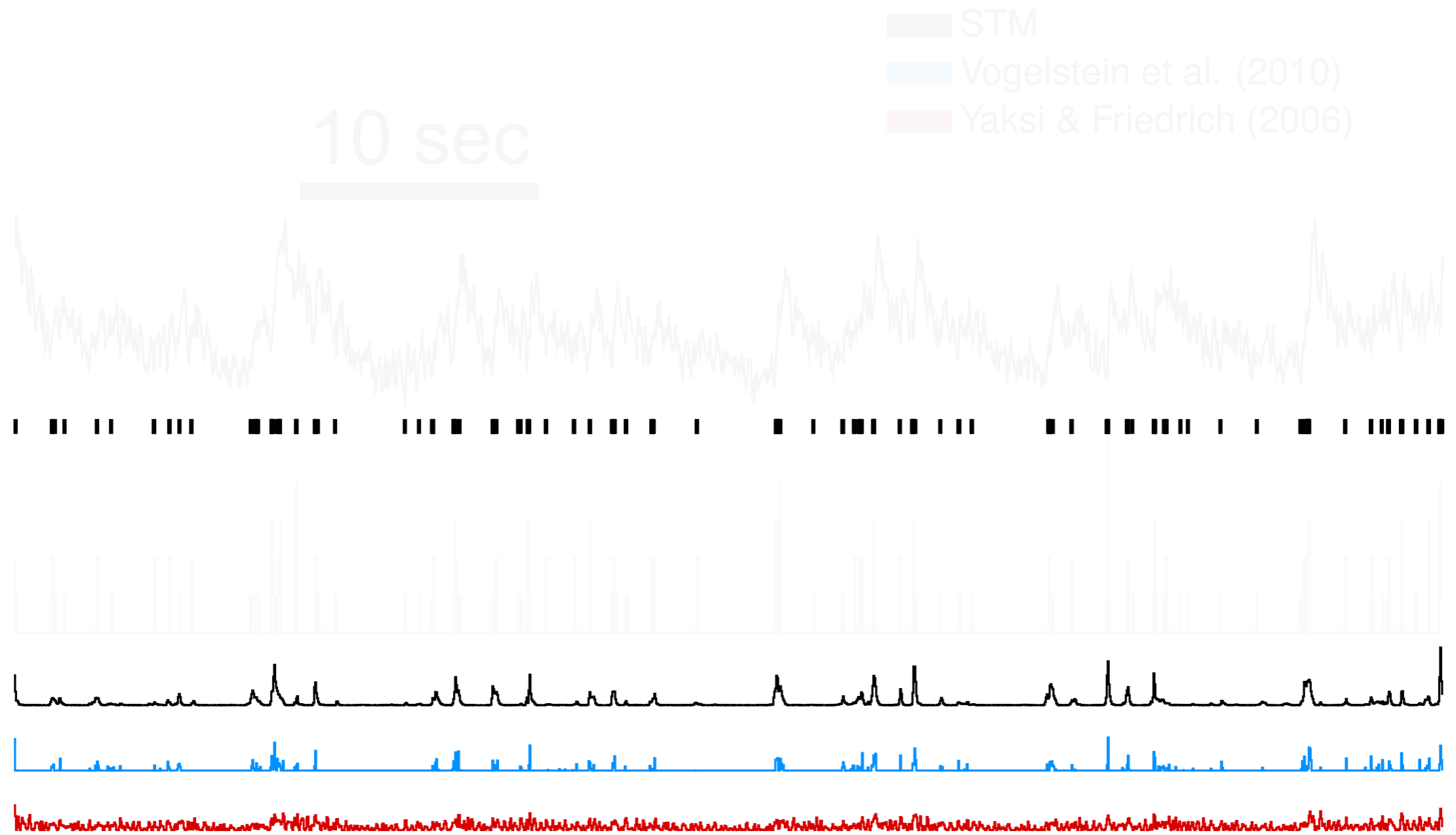
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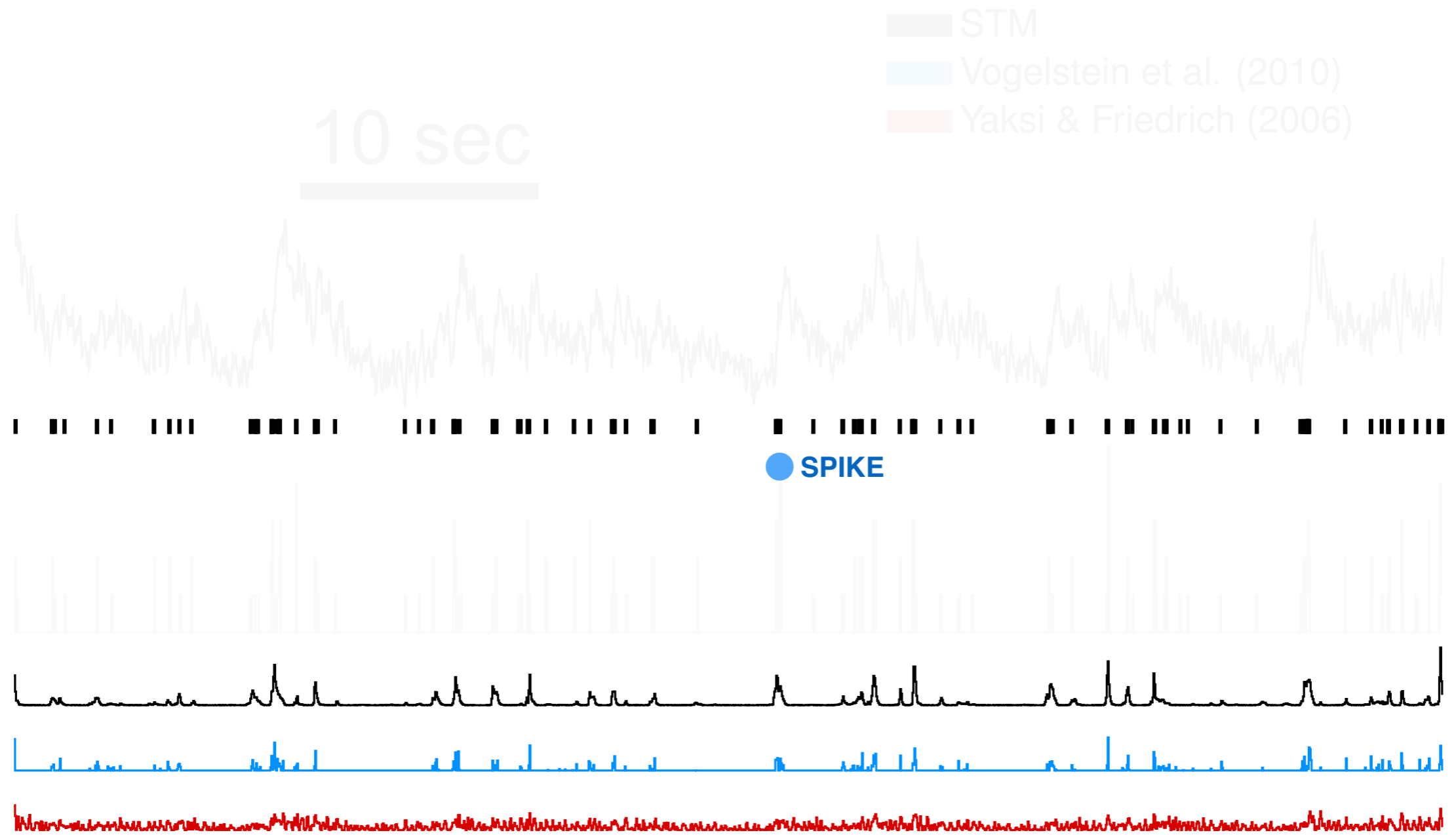
Correlation



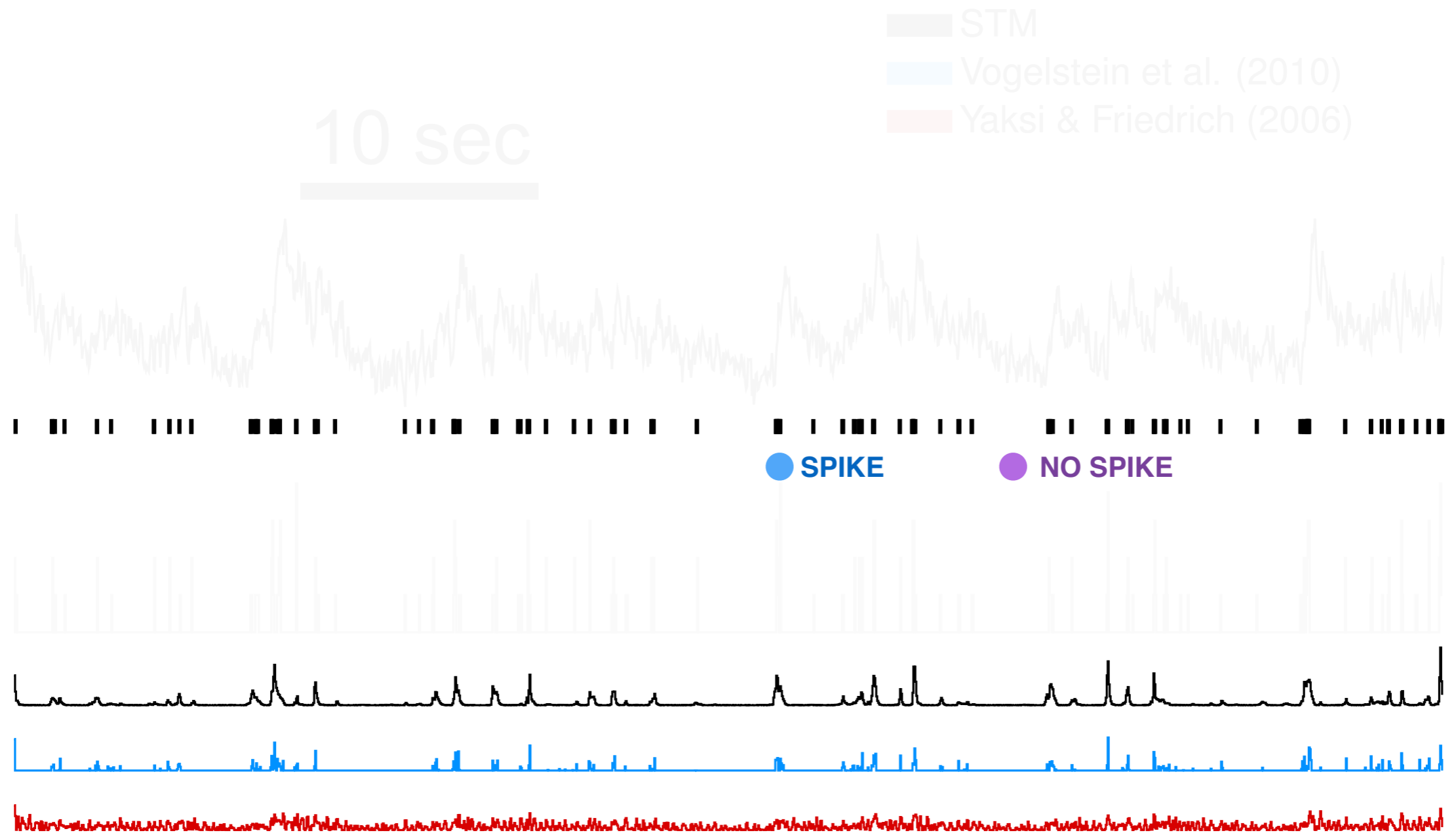
Area under curve



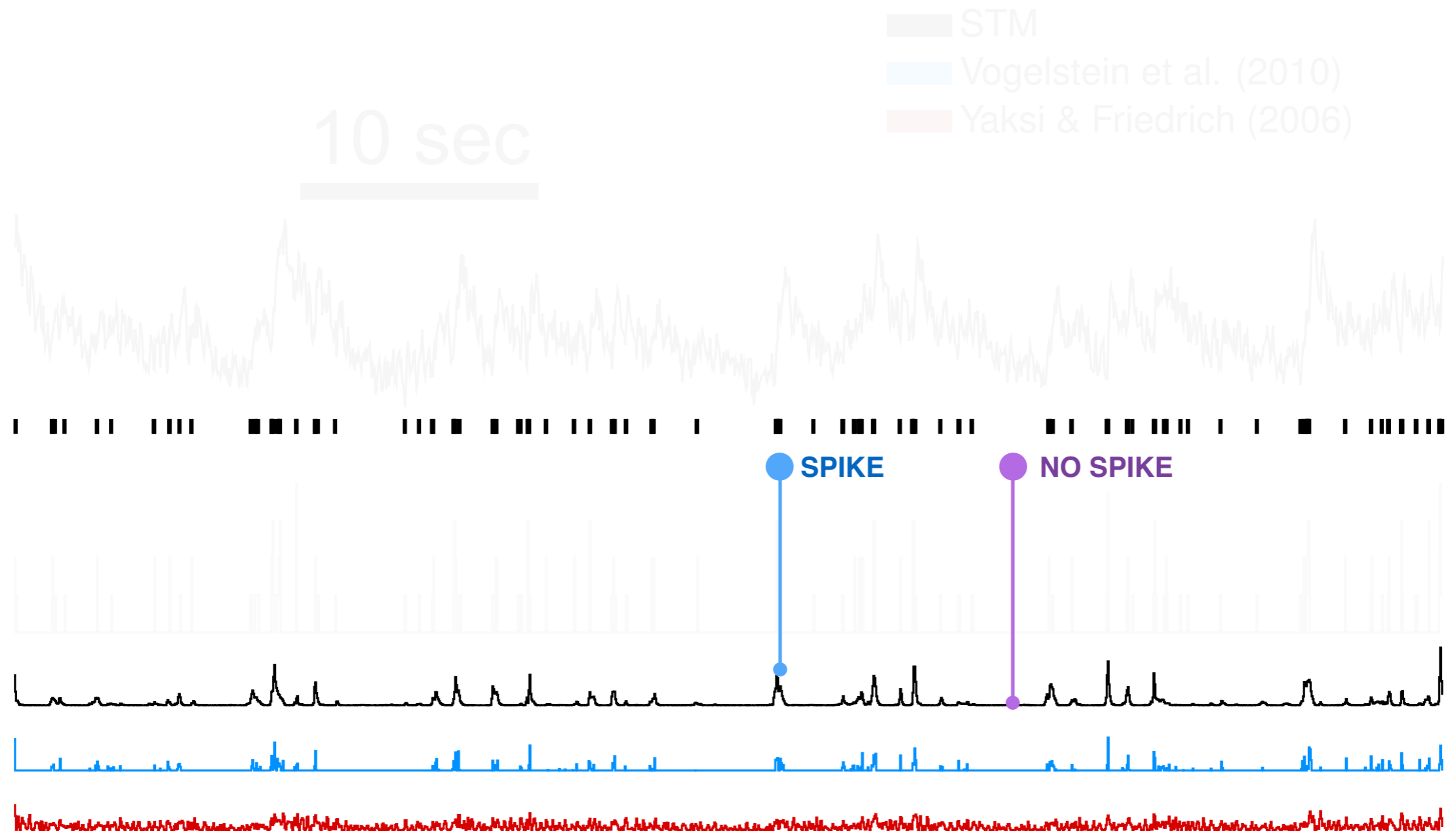
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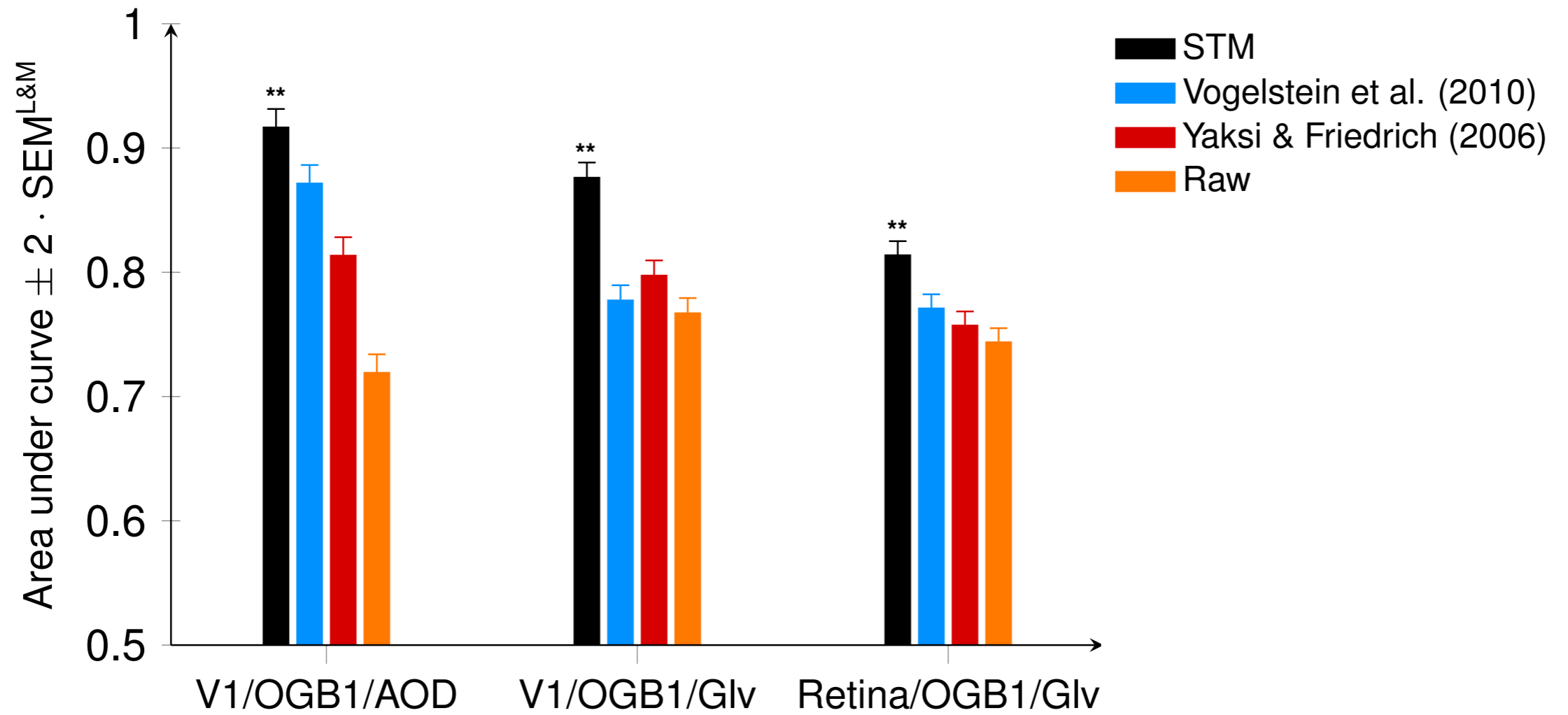
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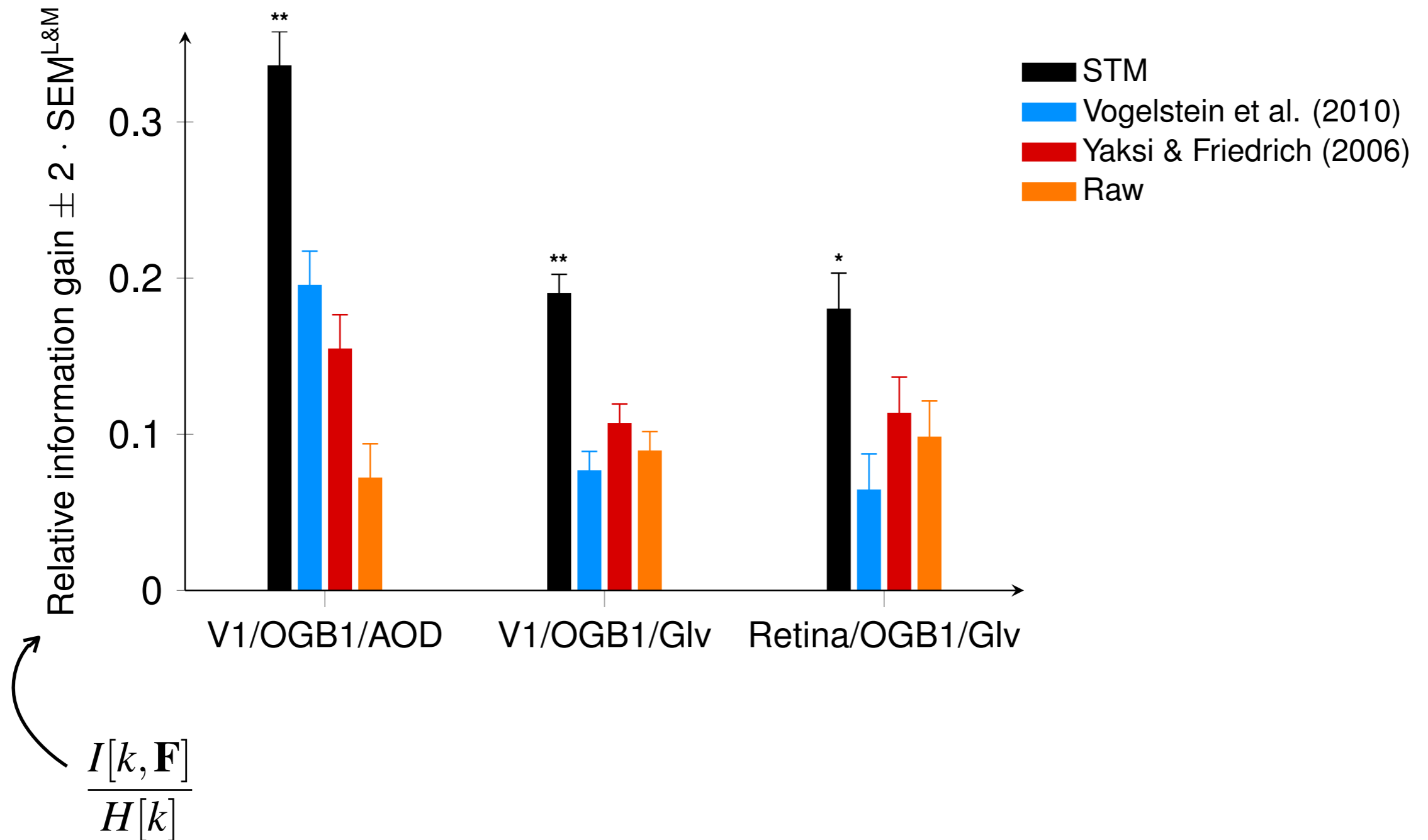
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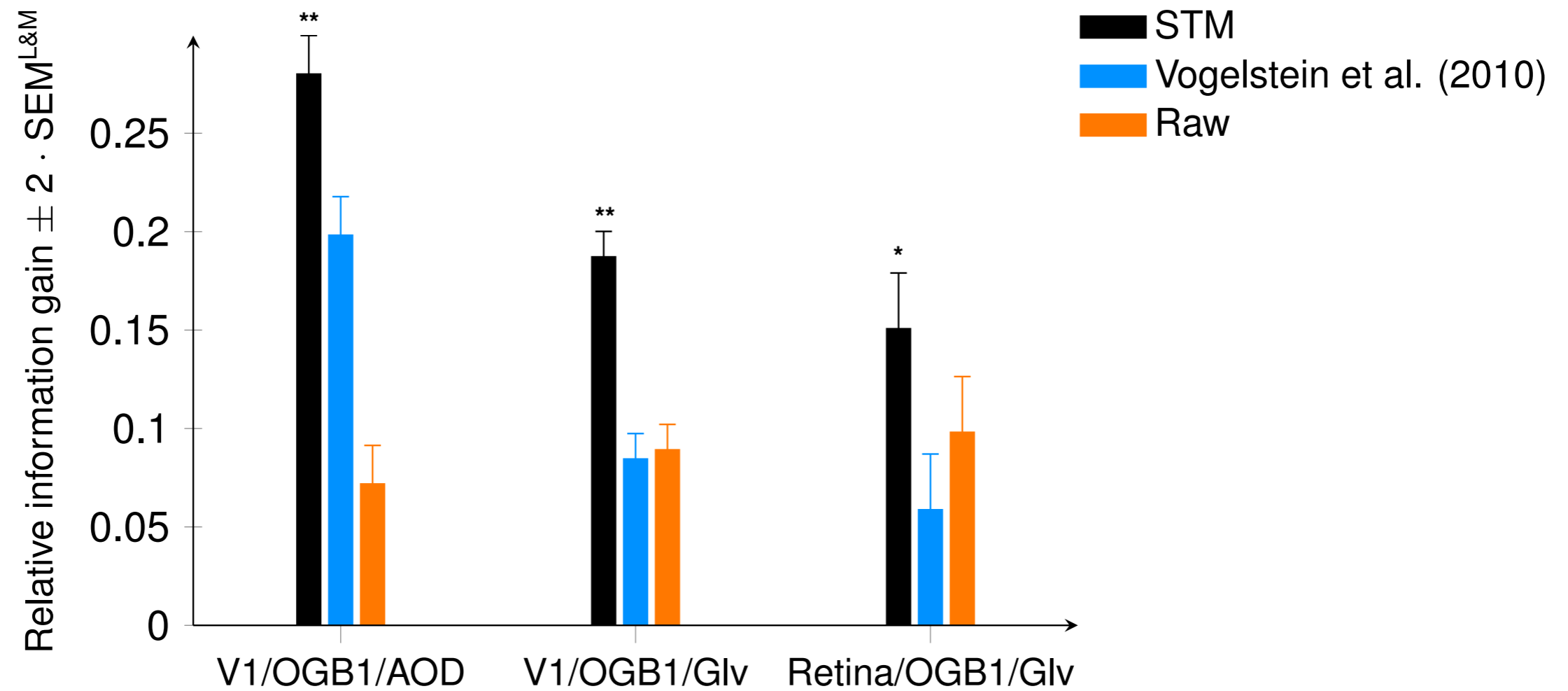
Mutual information

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Generalization



Trigeminal ganglion cells



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Two-photon imaging



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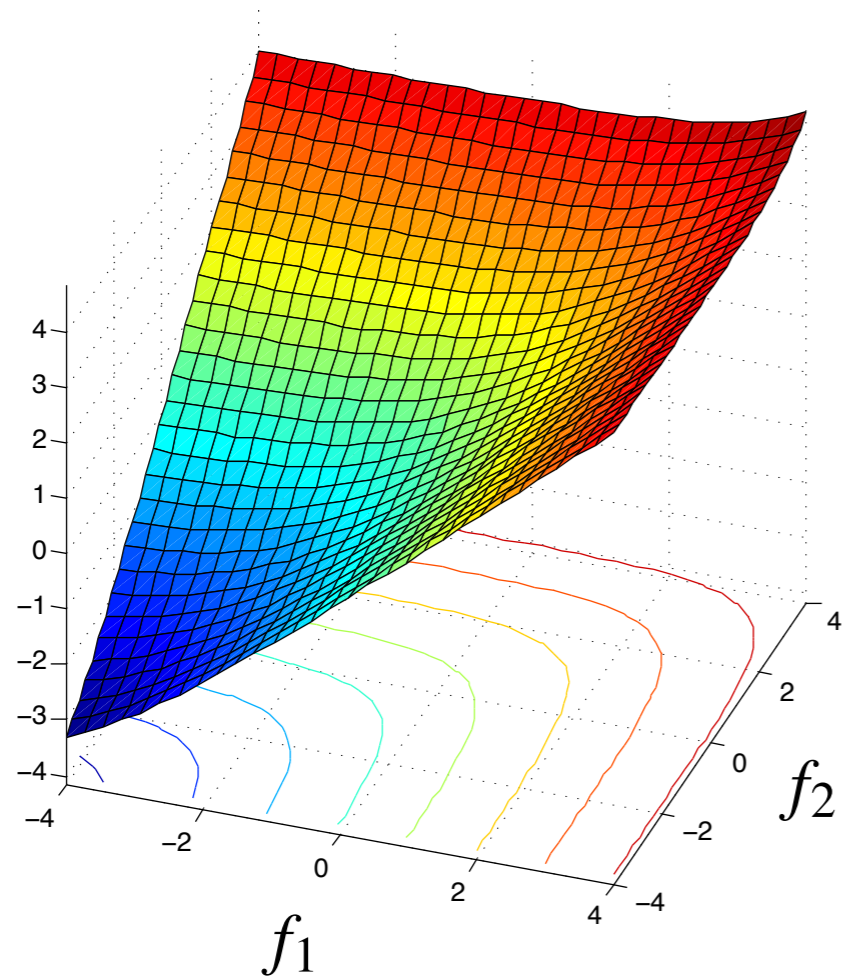
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$$\begin{aligned} p(y = 1 \mid \mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{1 + \frac{p(\mathbf{x}|y=0)p(y=0)}{p(\mathbf{x}|y=1)p(y=1)}} \\ &= \sigma \left(\log \frac{p(\mathbf{x} \mid y = 1)}{p(\mathbf{x} \mid y = 0)} + \log \frac{p(y = 1)}{p(y = 0)} \right) \\ &= \sigma \left(\mathbf{w}^\top \phi(\mathbf{x}) + b \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-z)}$$

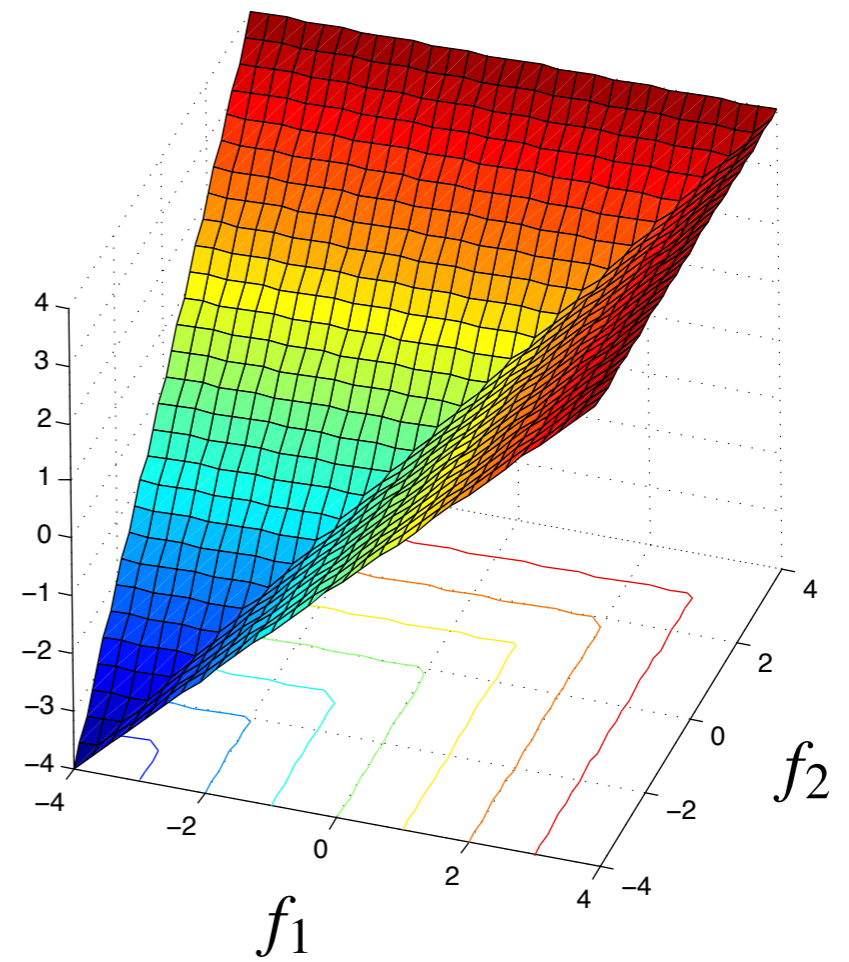
Soft-maximum

$$\log \sum_k \exp f_k$$

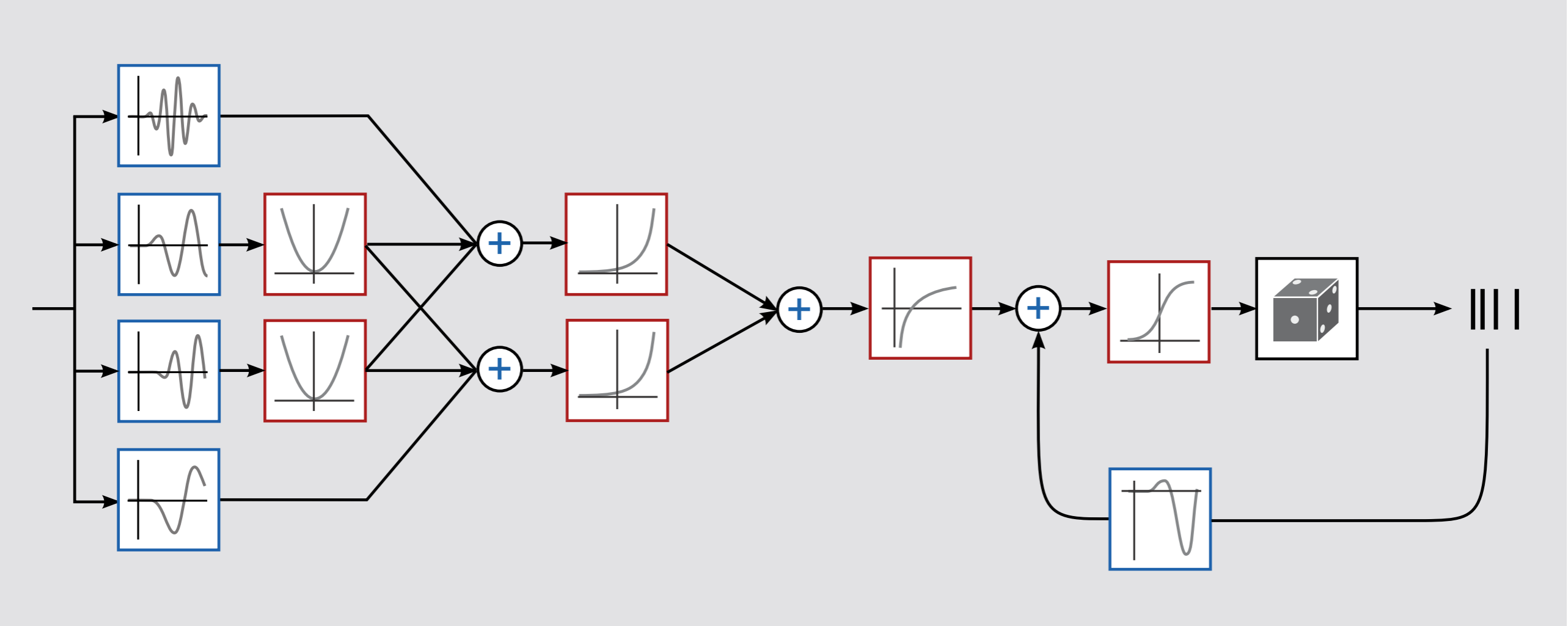


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$$\max_k f_k$$

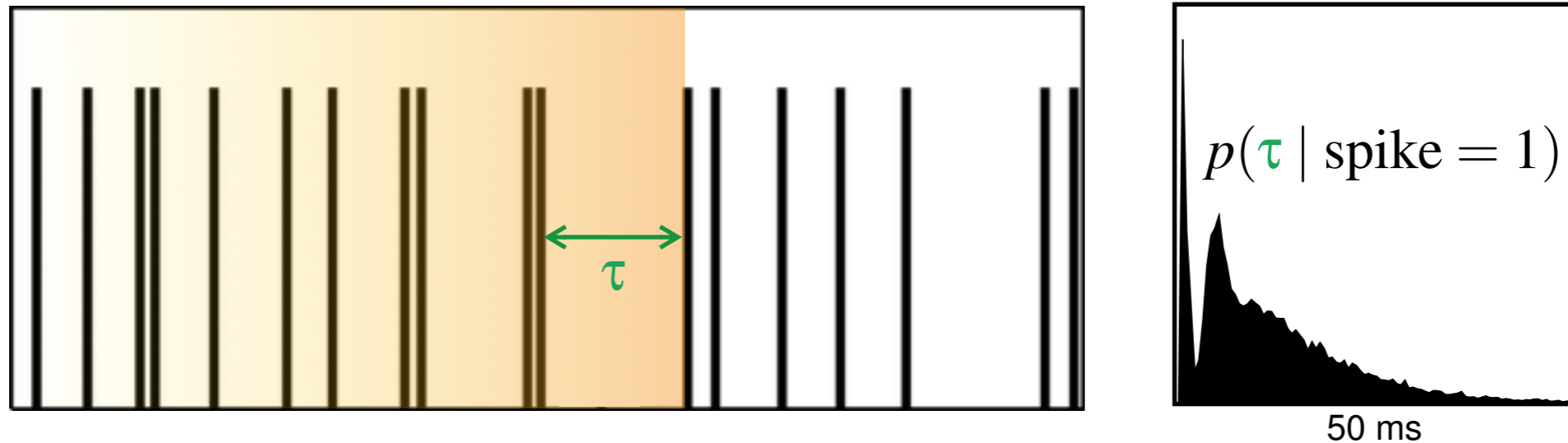


Feed-forward view



Spike history dependency

Interspike-interval distribution

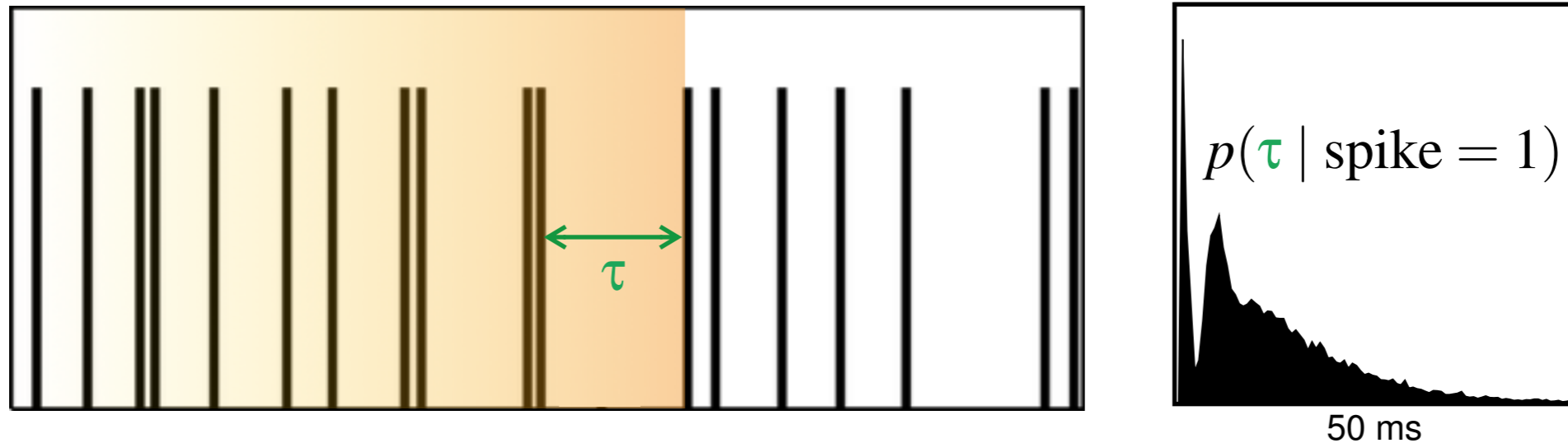


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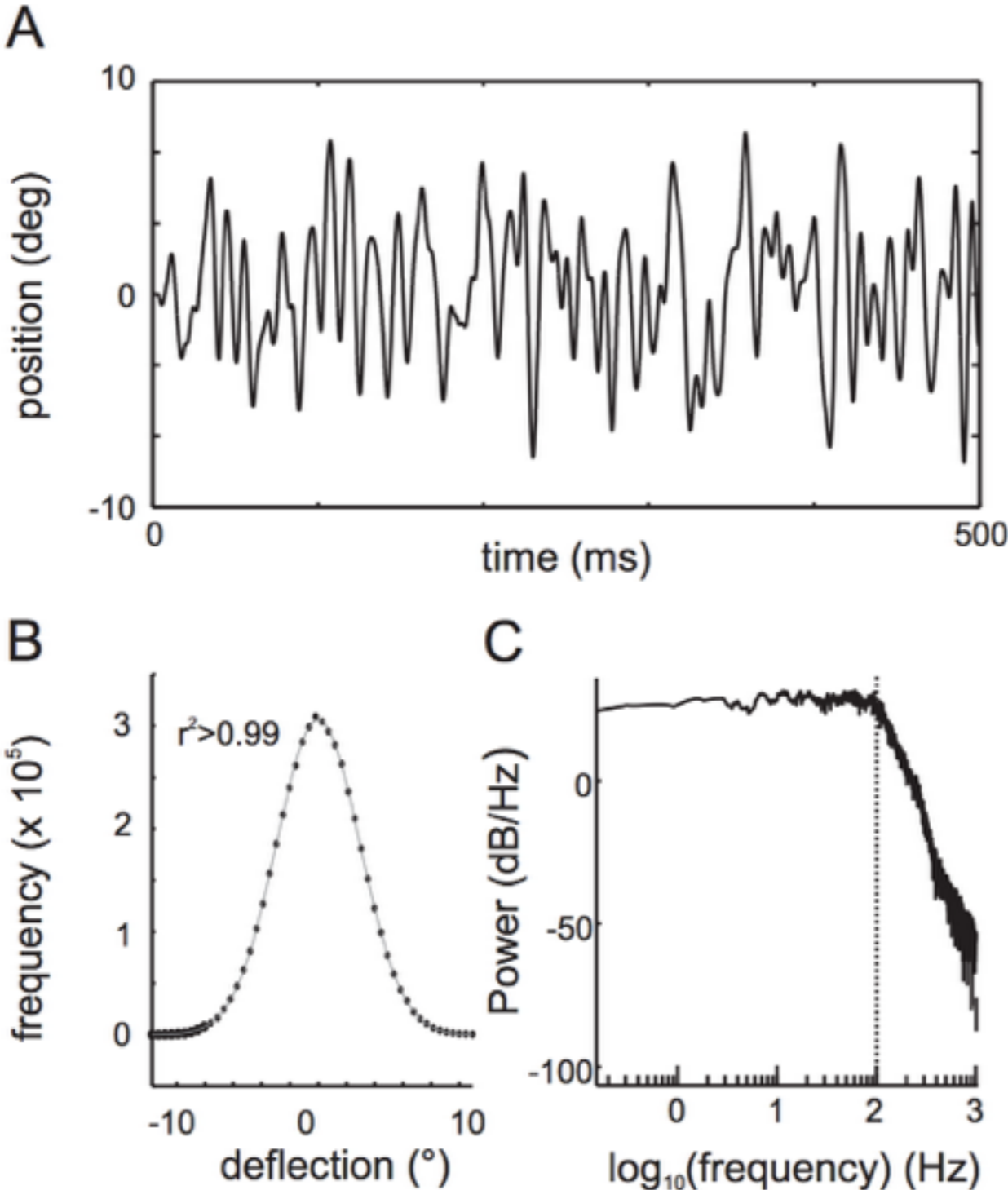
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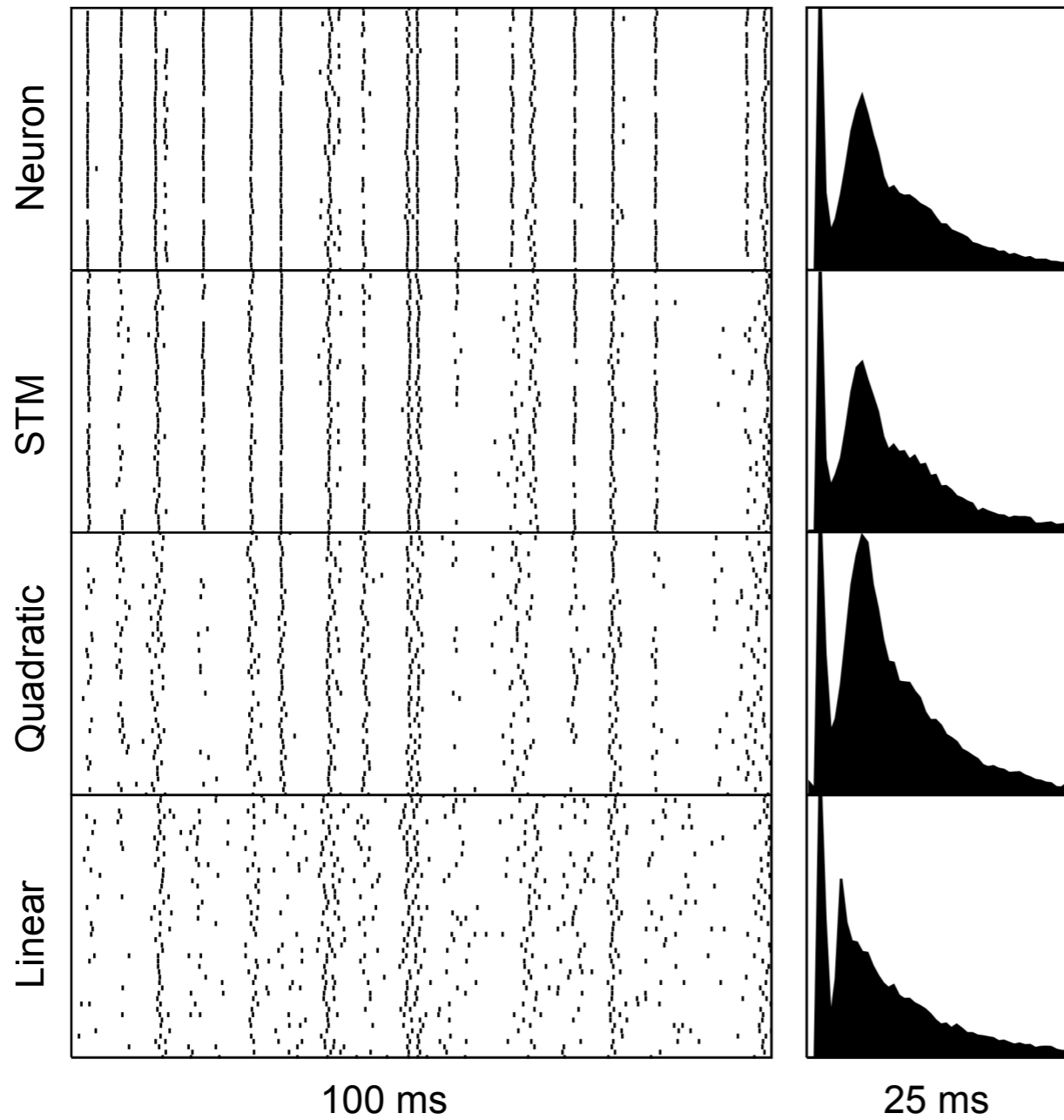
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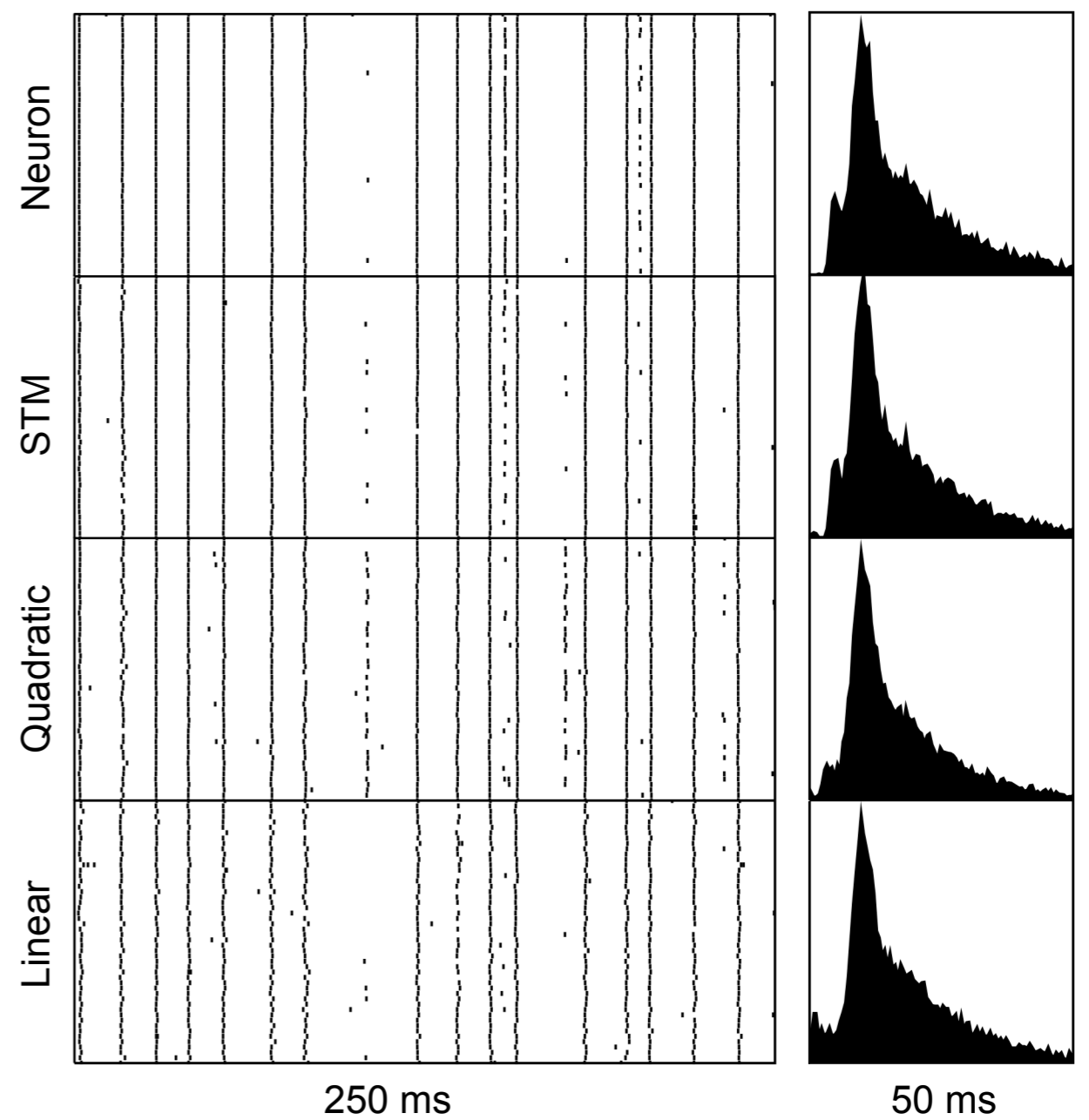


Spike trains

SA cell

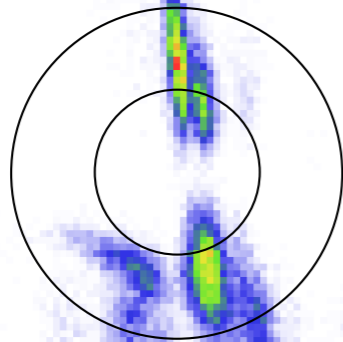


RA cell

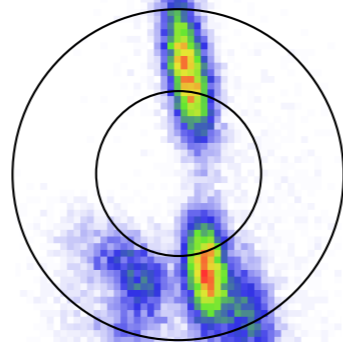


Spike-triggered distributions

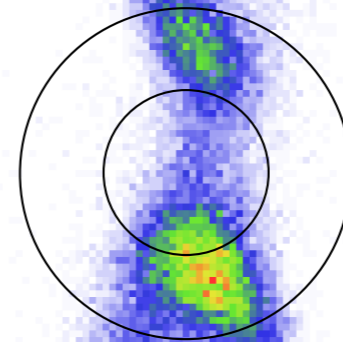
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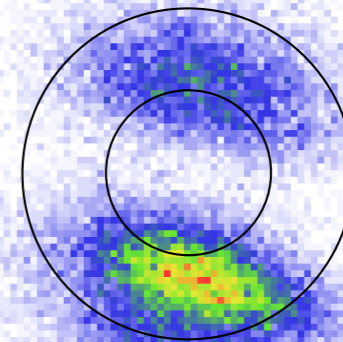
Neuron



STM

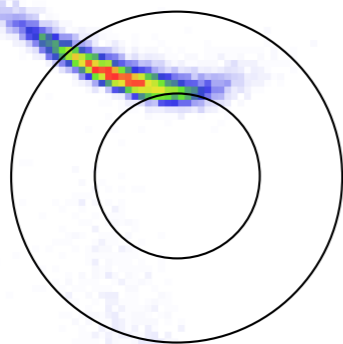


Quadratic

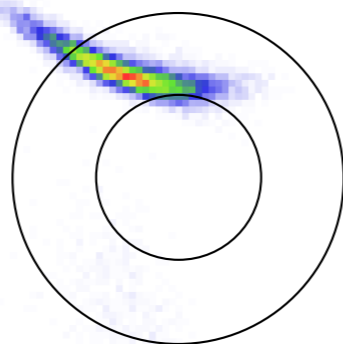


Linear

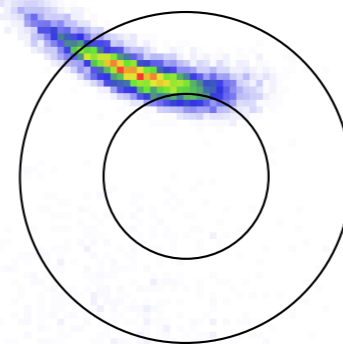
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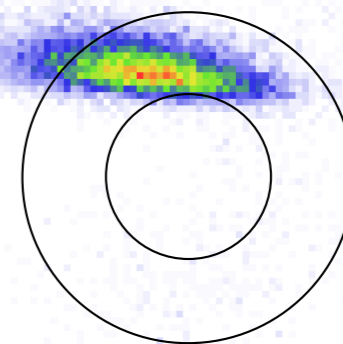
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STM



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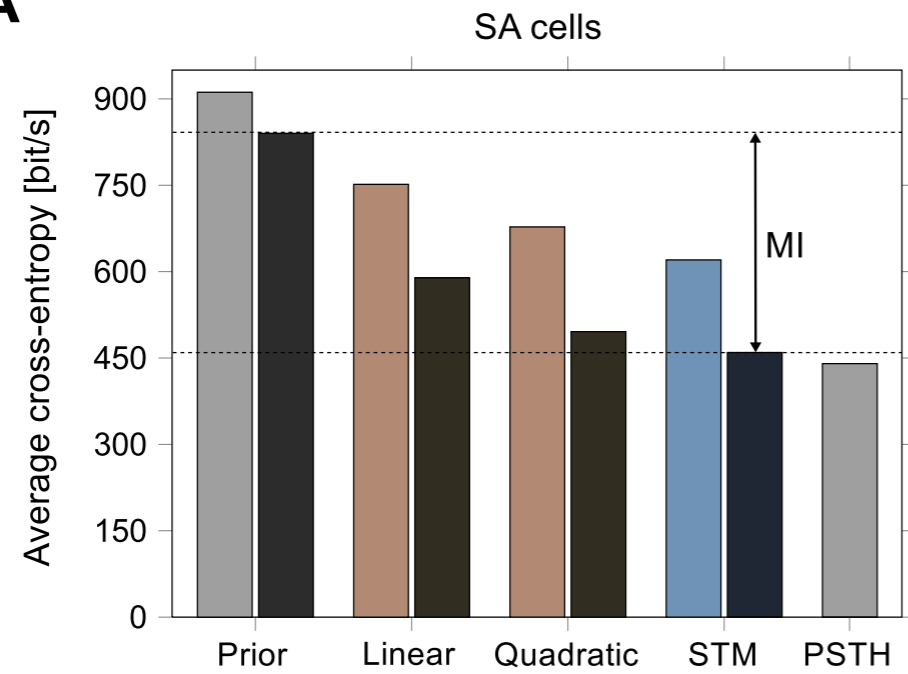


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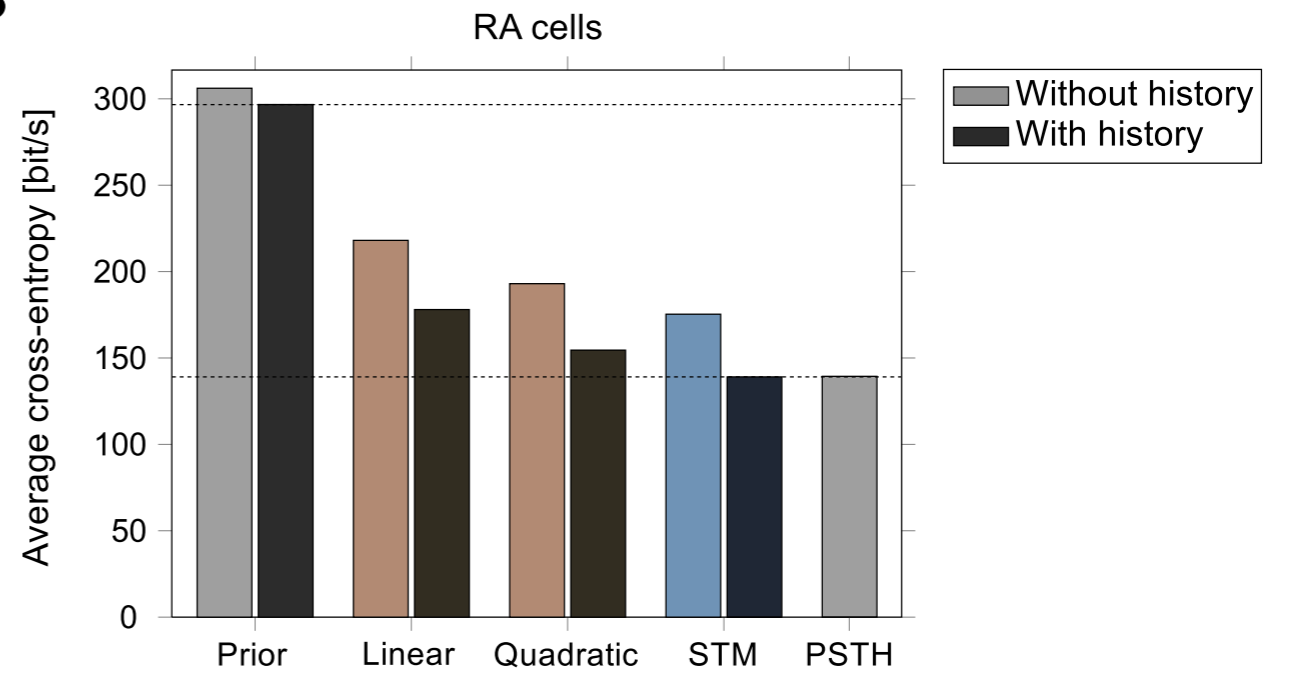
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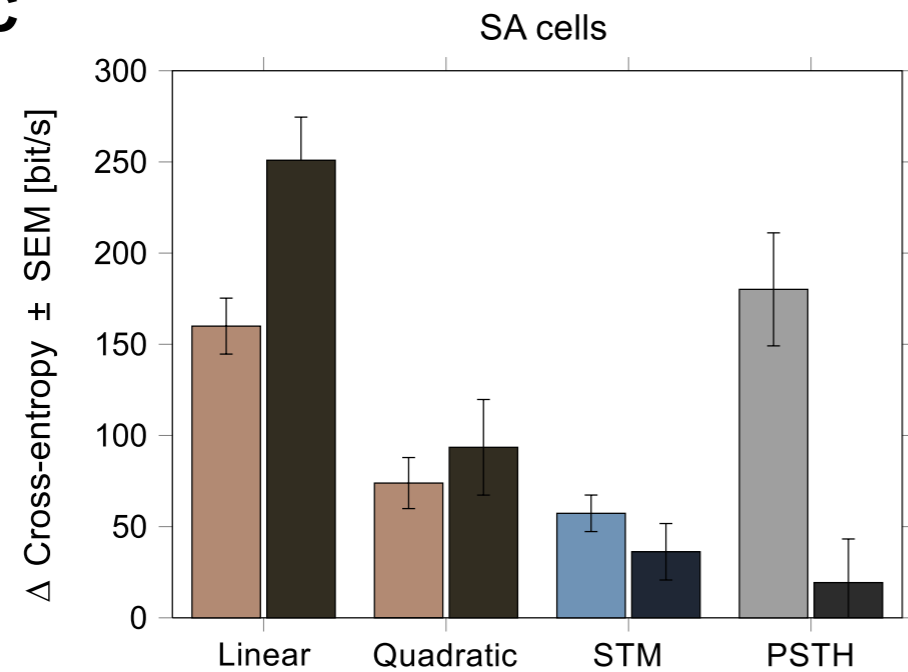
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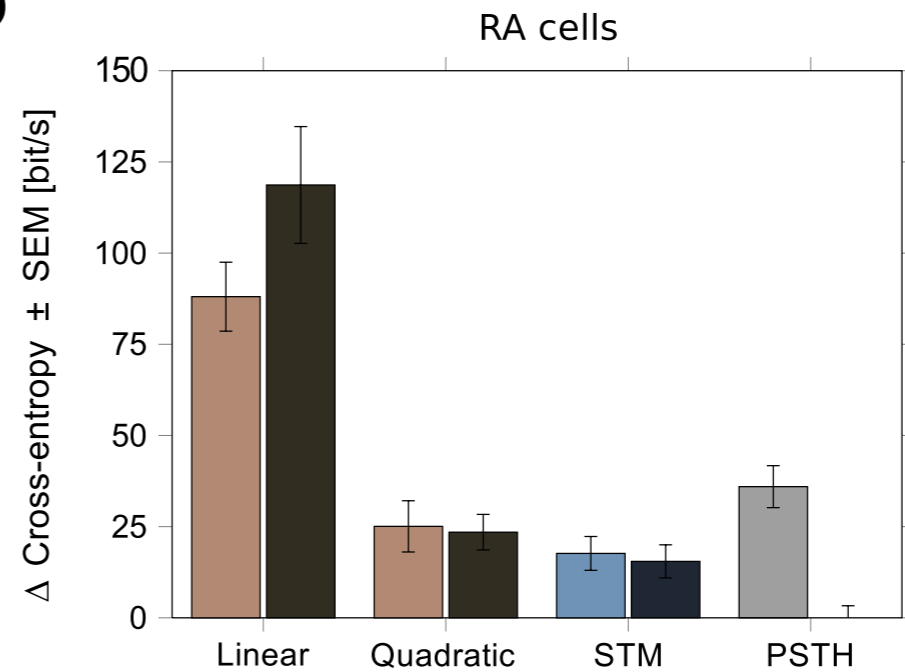
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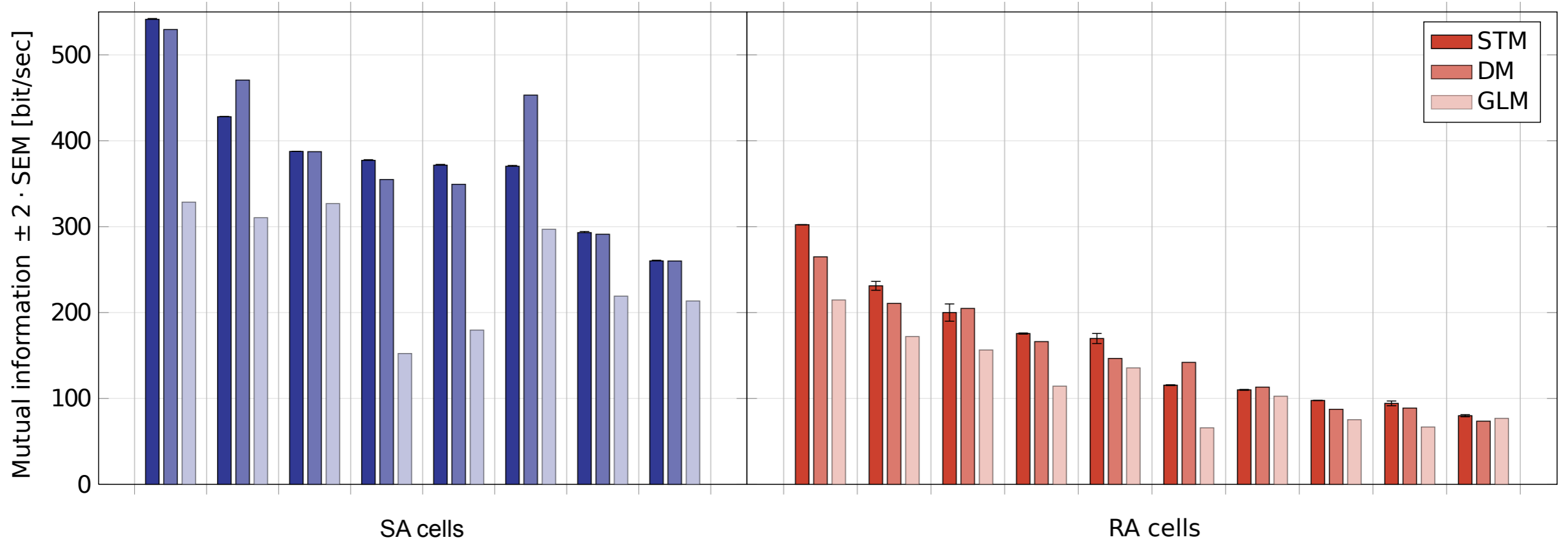
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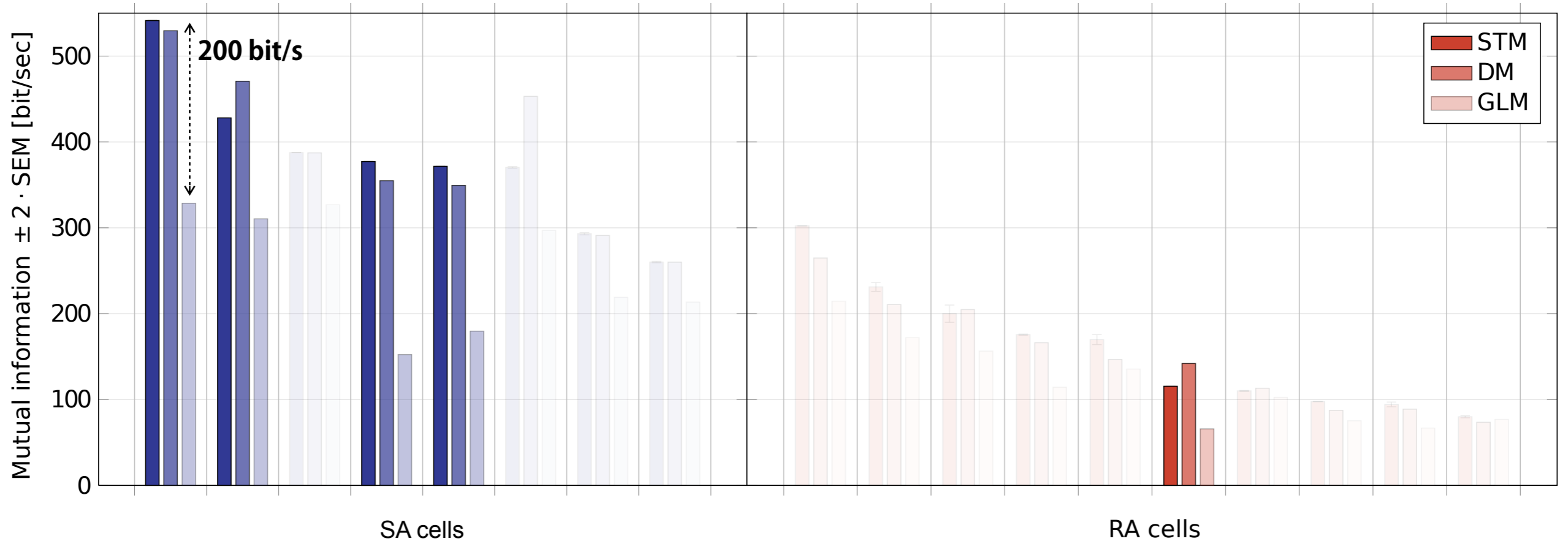
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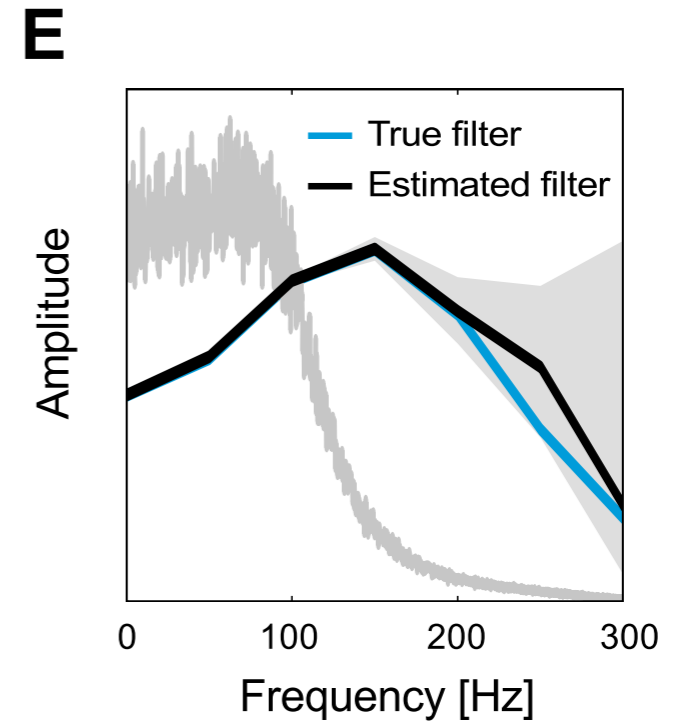
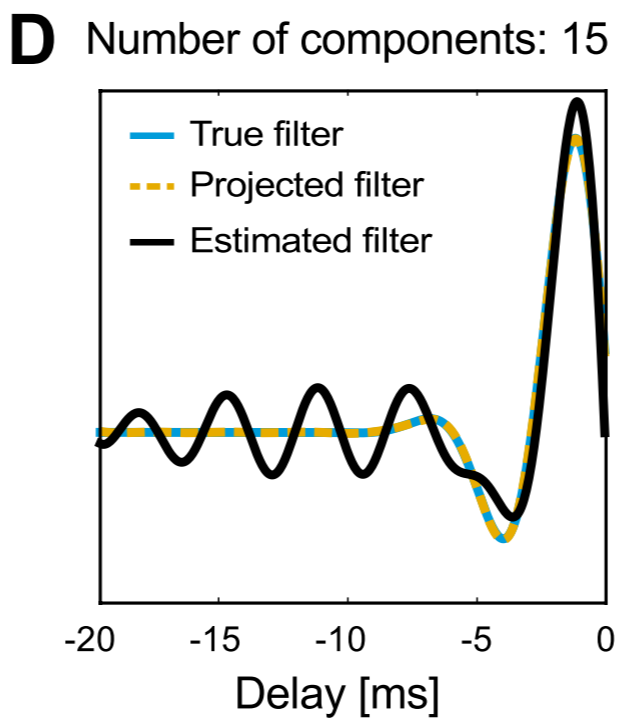
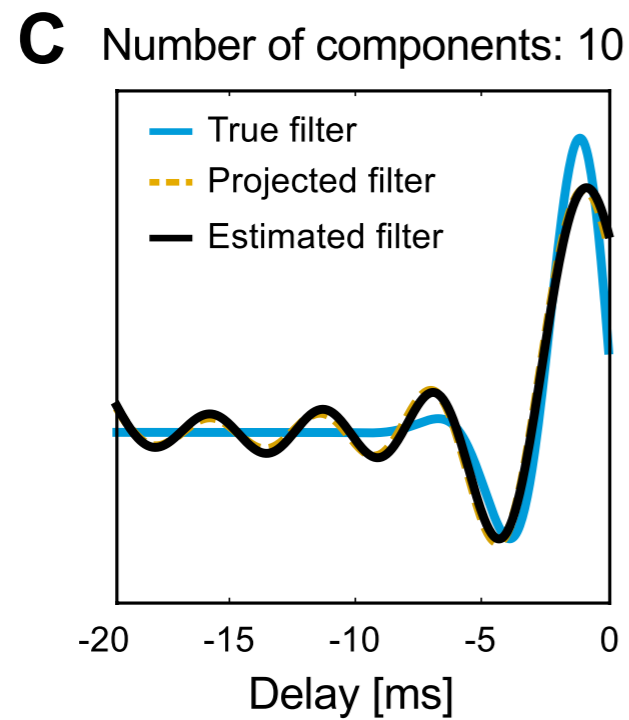
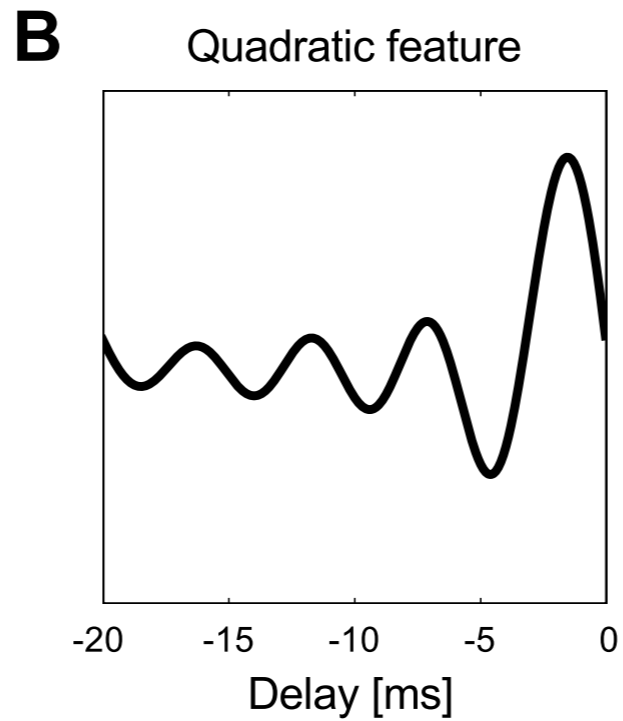
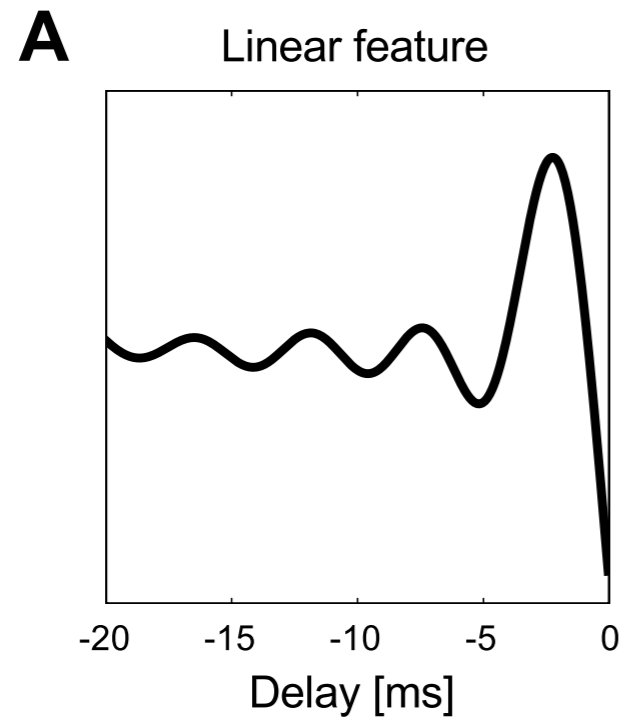
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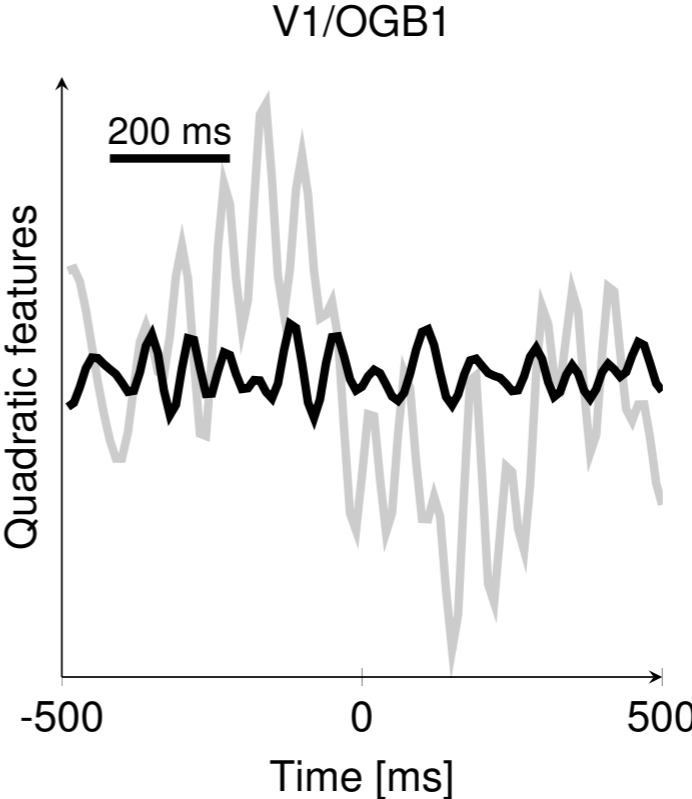
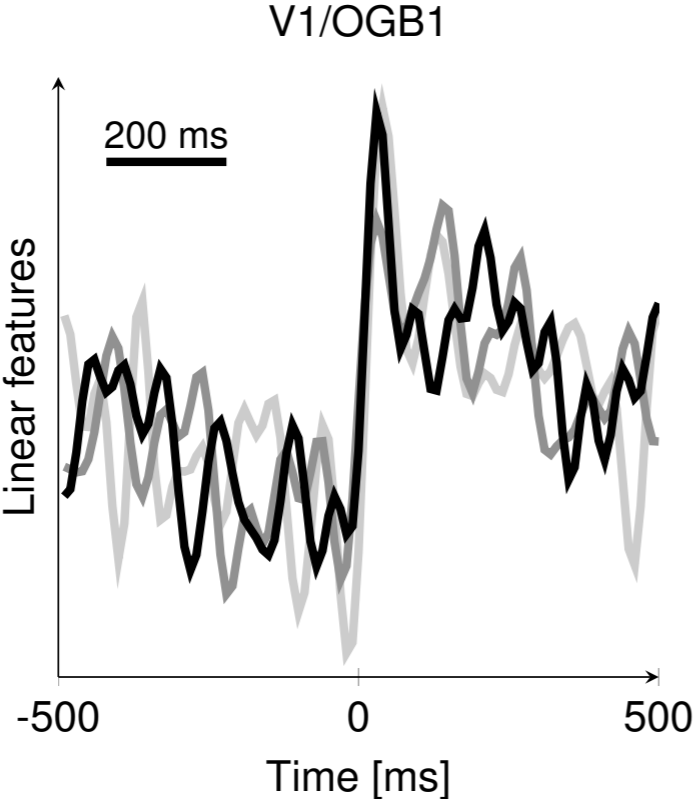
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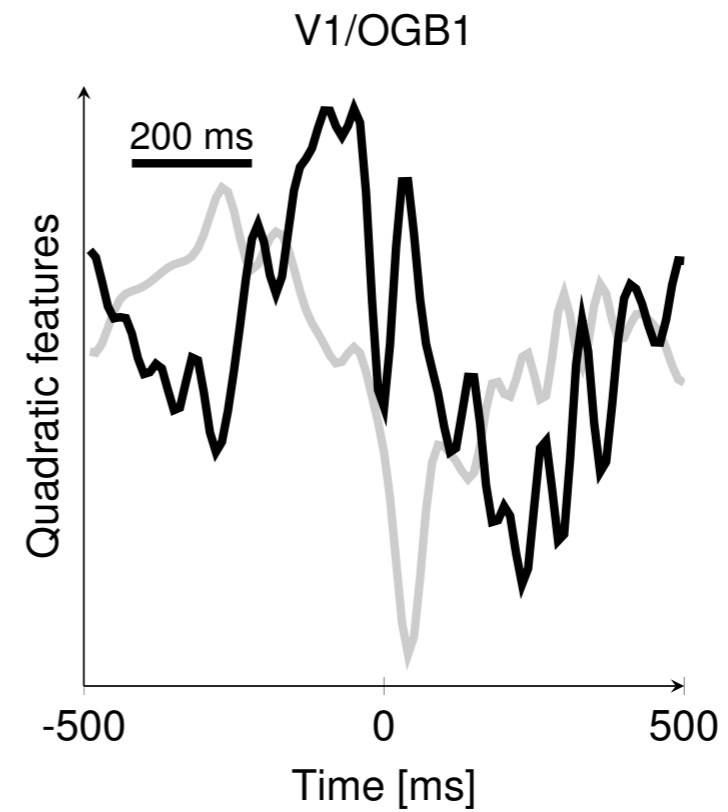
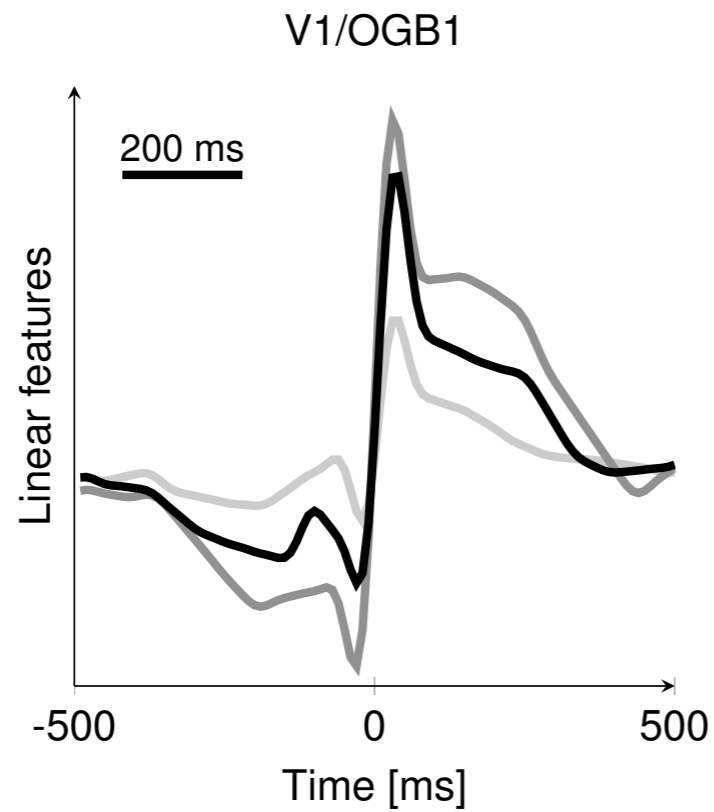
Visualizing filters



Filters for calcium imaging data



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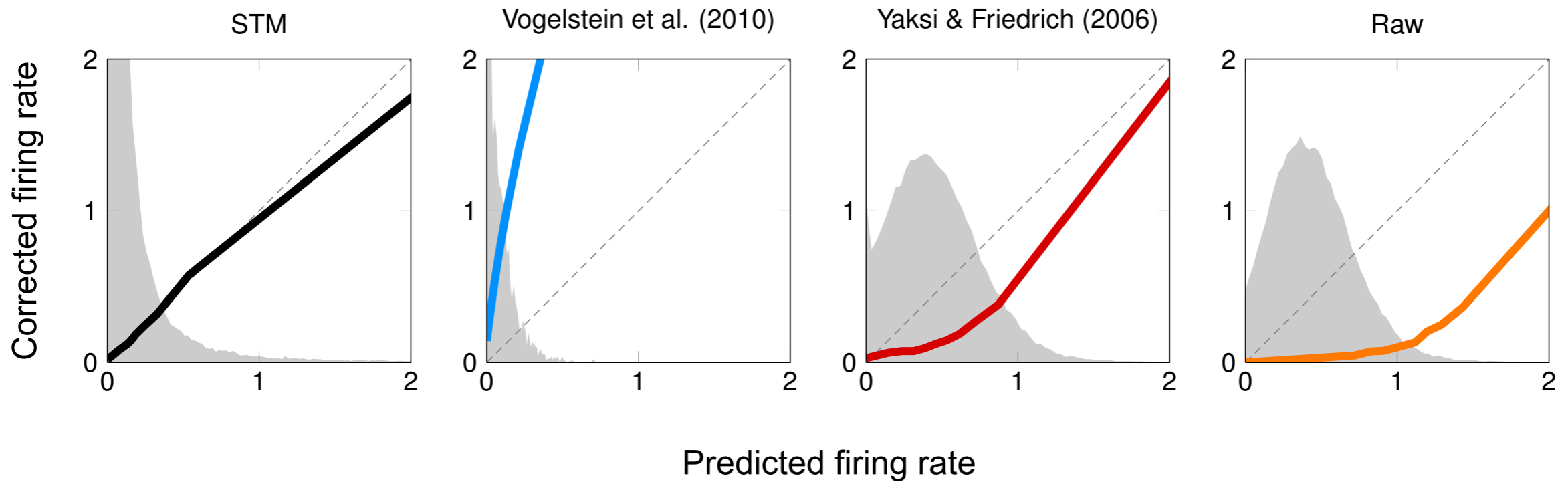


$$\frac{1}{T} \sum_t \log p(k_t | \mathbf{F}_t) + \lambda \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{w}\|_1$$

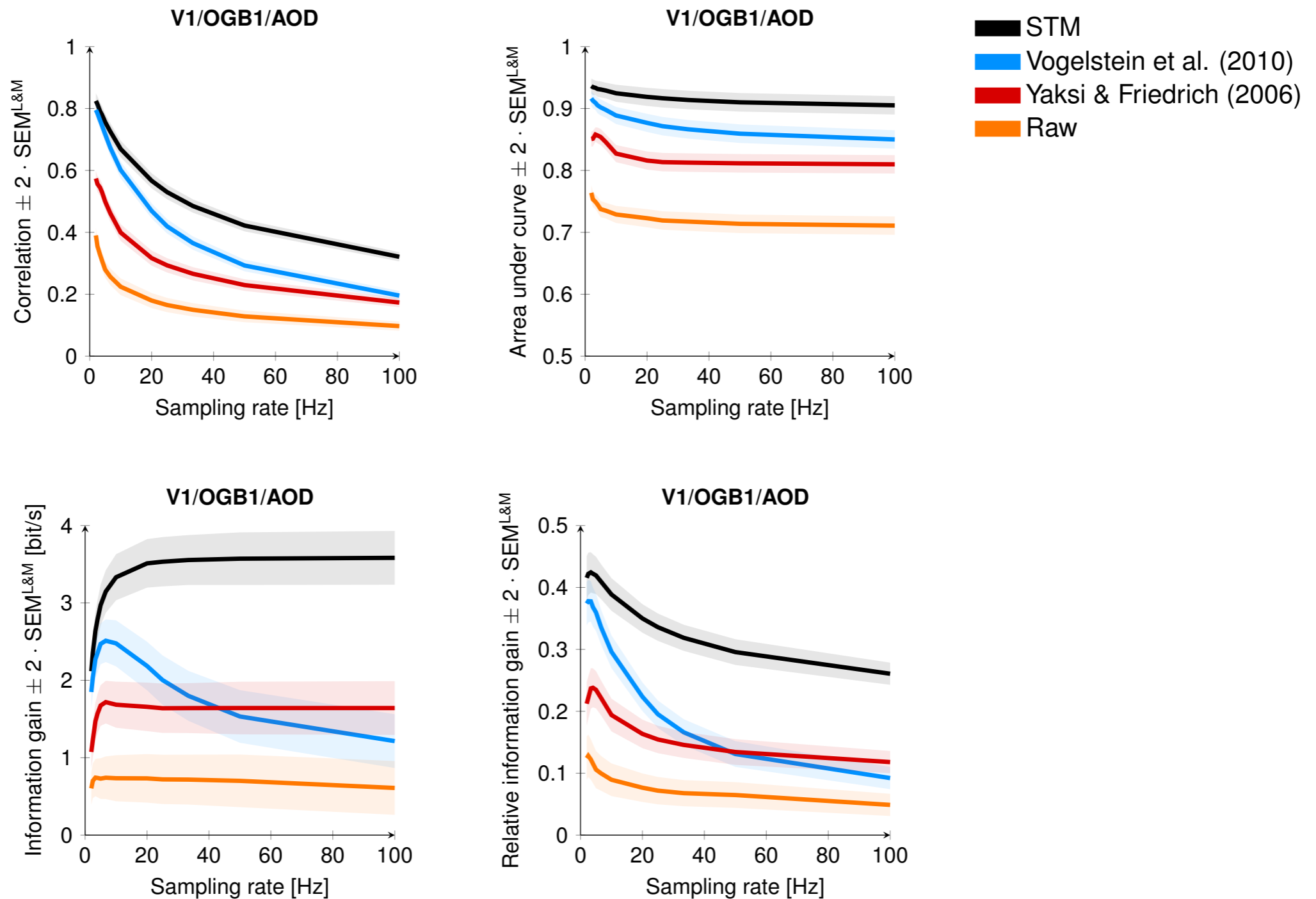
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$$\max_h \sum_t \log P(k_t; h(\lambda_t))$$

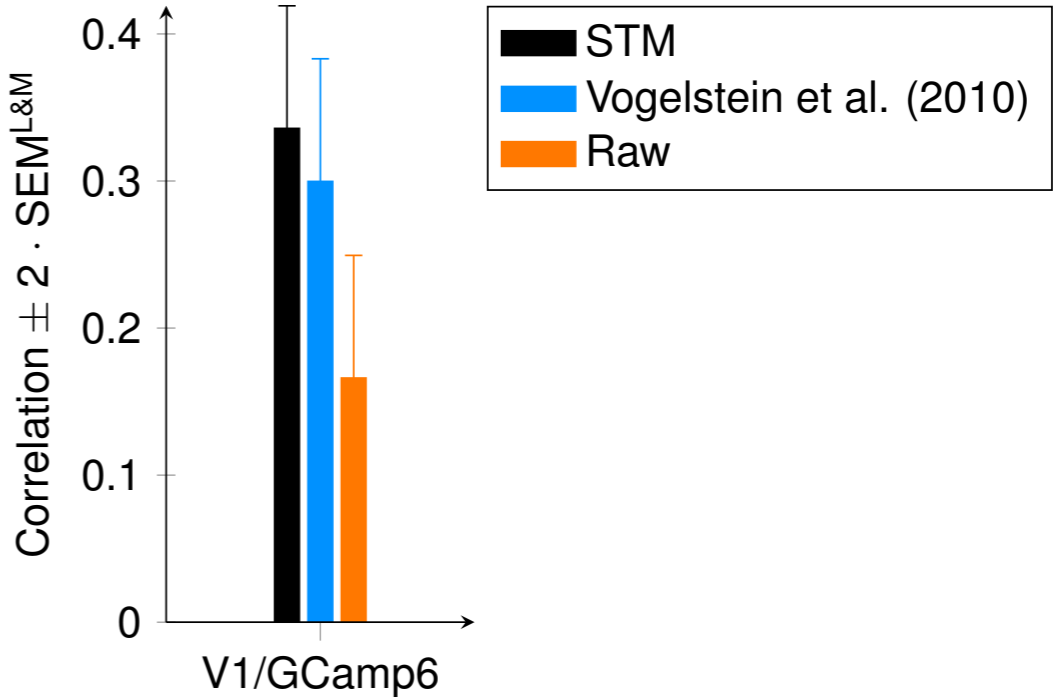
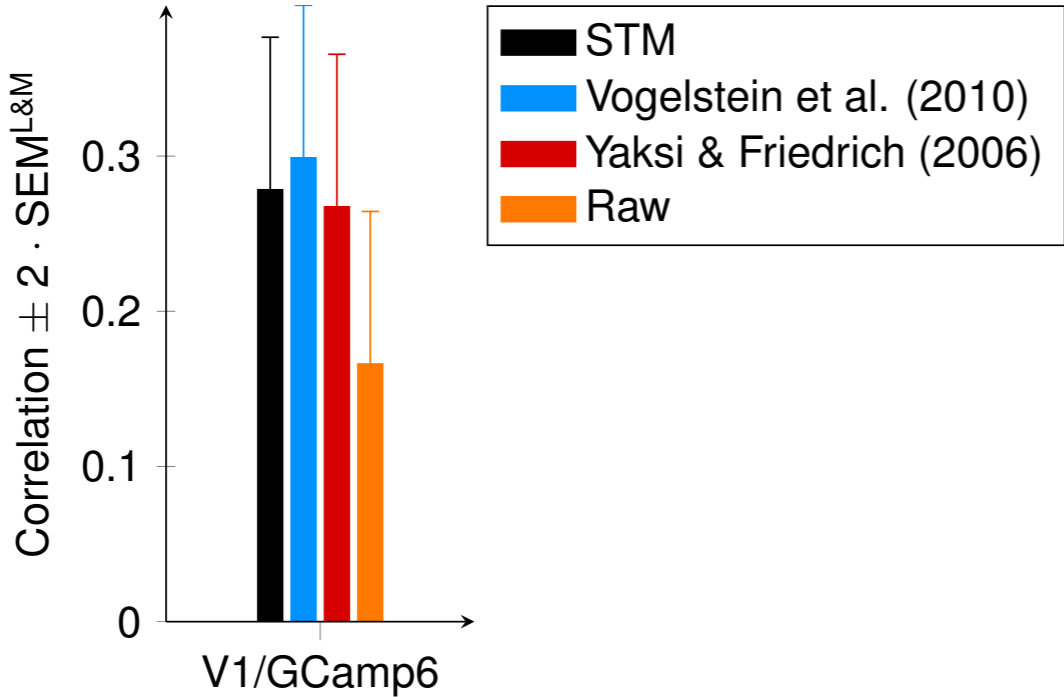
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- Vogelstein et al. (2010)
- Yaksi & Friedrich (2006)
- Raw



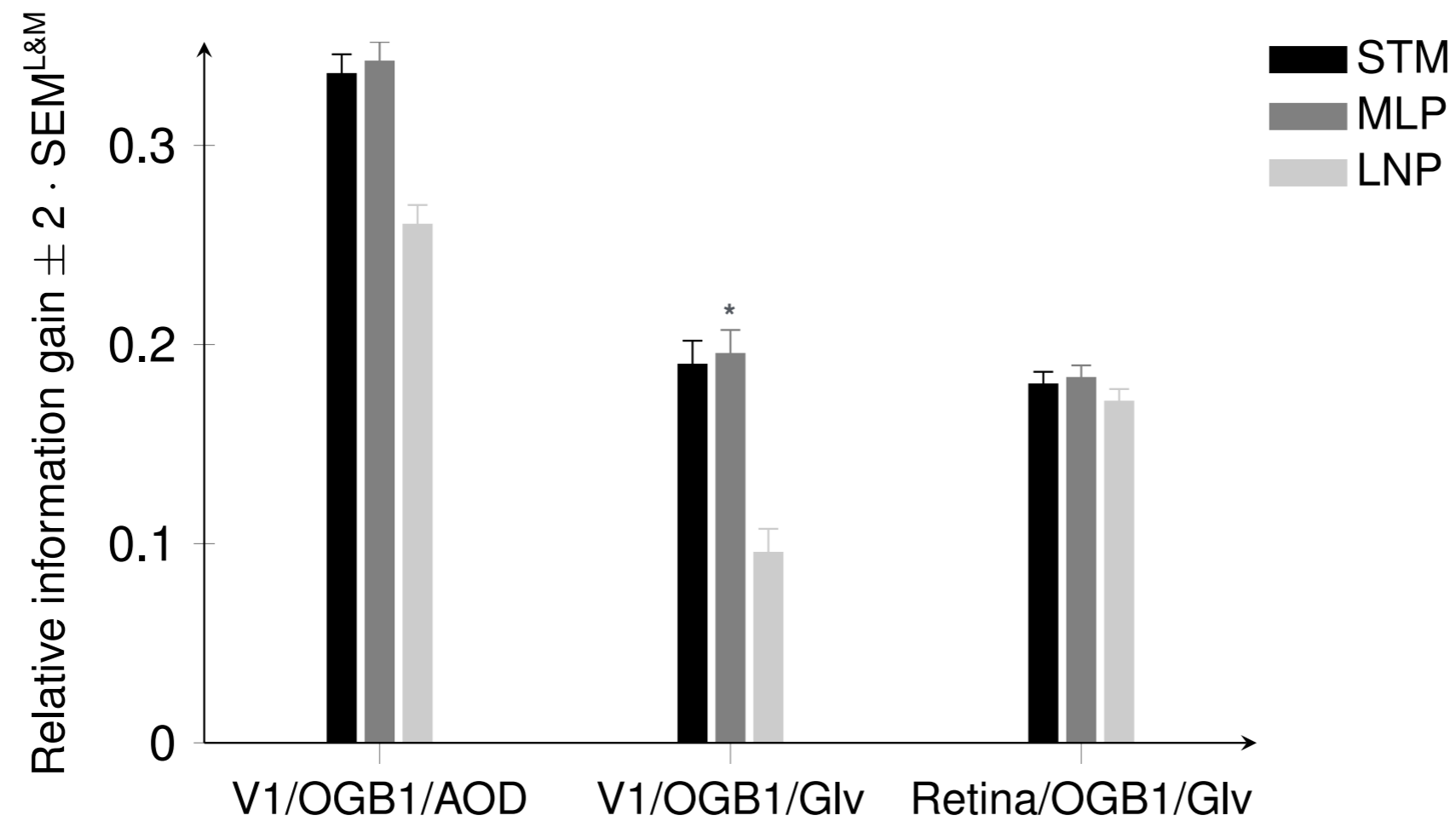
Performance as function of sampling rate



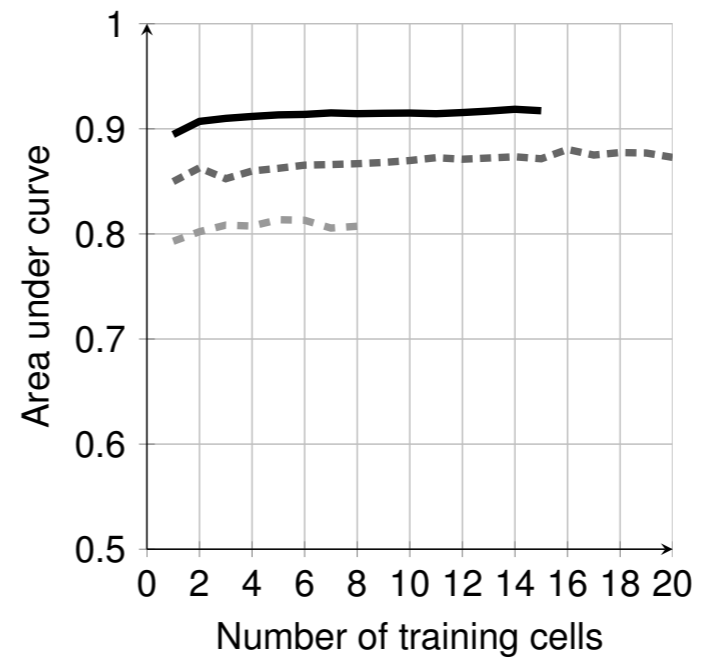
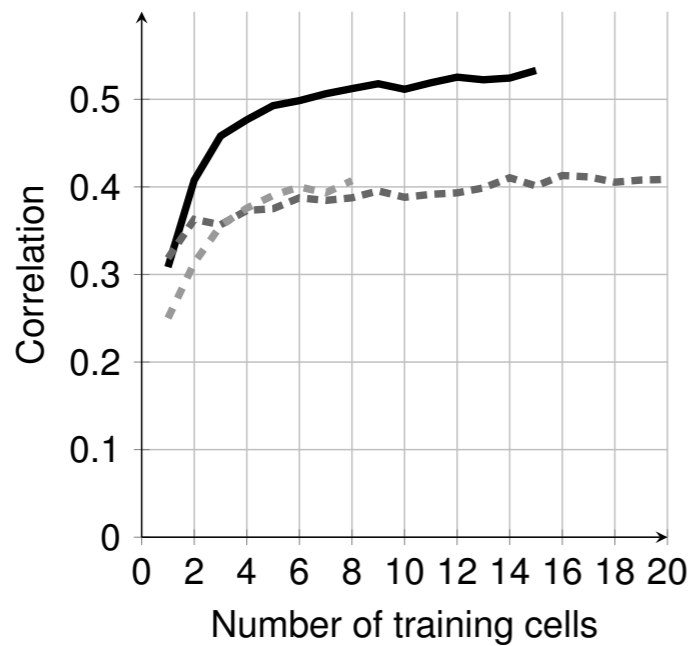
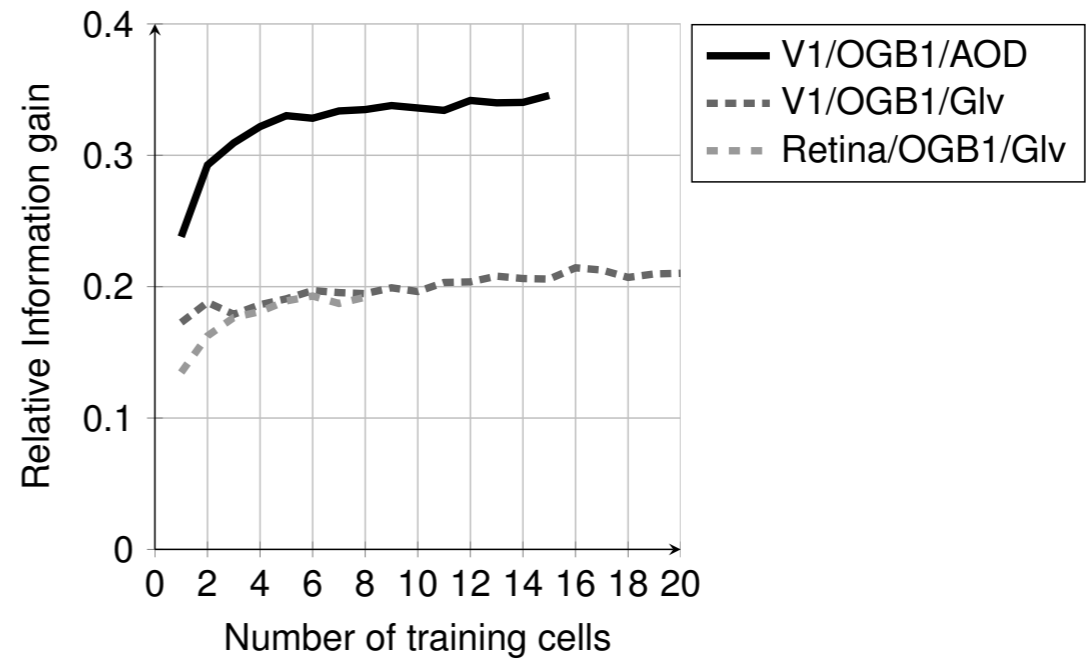
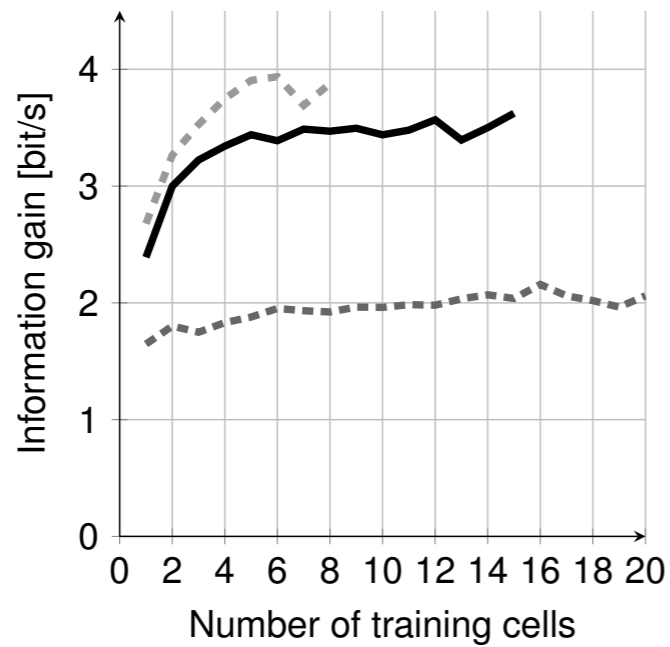
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Comparison with other models



Training set size



Component responses

