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- EIGEN-ANALYSIS
- ARTIFICIAL PSYCHOPHYSICS

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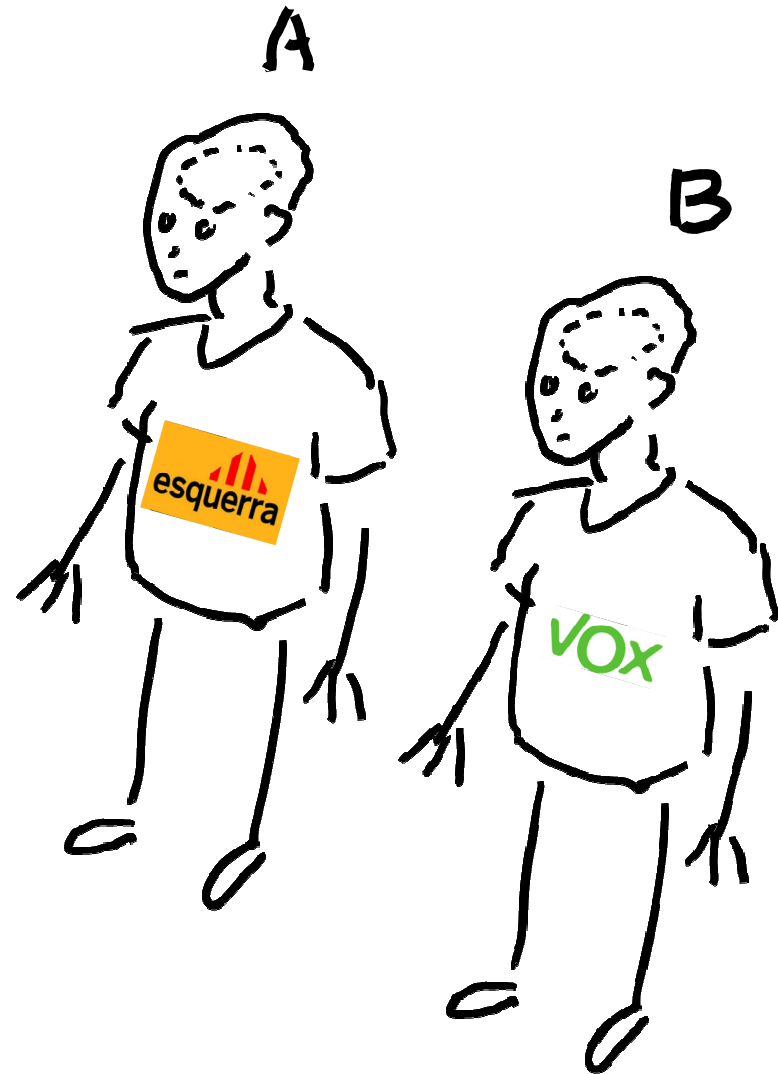
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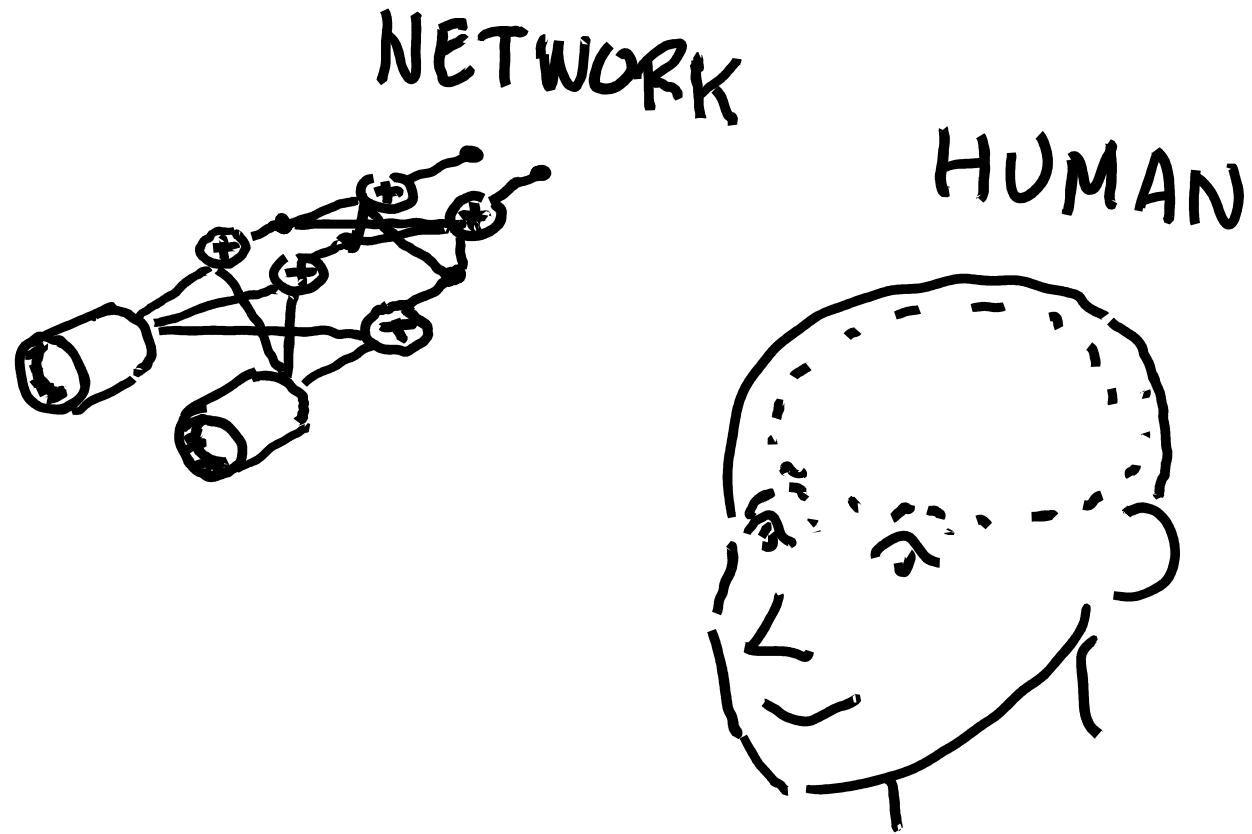


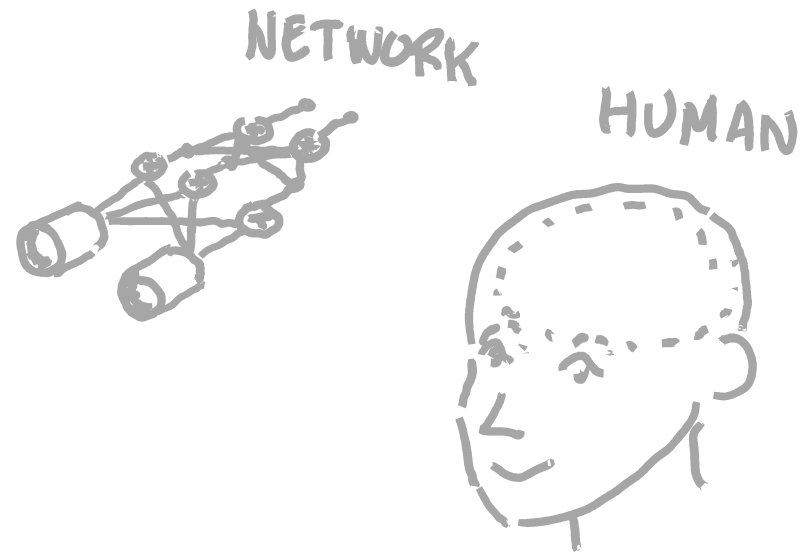
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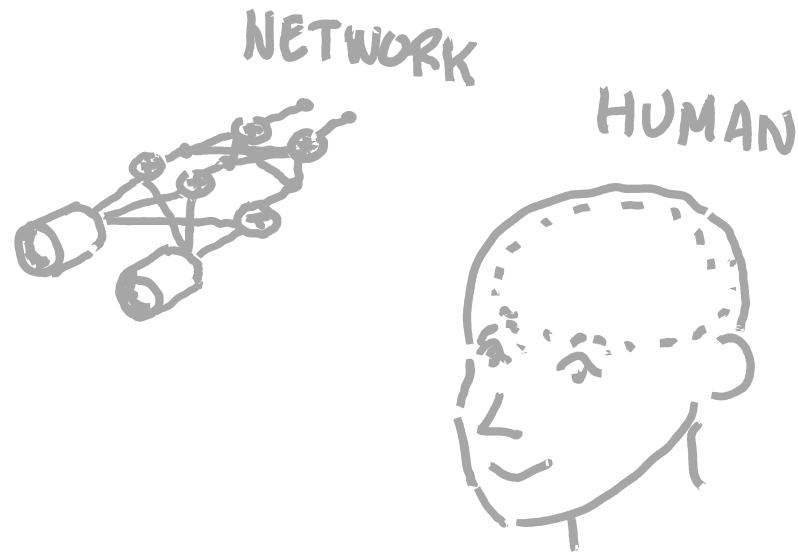


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DO WE SEE THE SAME ?



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- Deep learning $\rightarrow$ Neuroscience
 - Neuroscience $\rightarrow$ Deep learning
- Goal functions
Psychophysics

VISUAL ILLUSIONS ?

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* Do they have low-level illusions?

* If yes, similar to ours?

* Quantify similarity

* General reason for the similarity?

* Reason for differences {
- Initialization
- Nonlinearity
- Training data
- Task & specific architect.

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- ① Illusions in humans & networks
- 1.1 - Color & Brightness illusions
 - 1.2 - Learning low-level vision tasks
 - 1.3 - Results I }
 - Artificial Physiology
 - Artificial Psychophysics

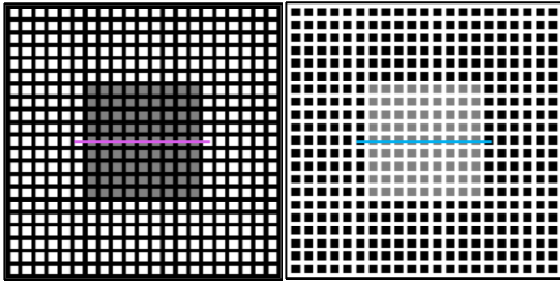
- ② RESULTS II: Artificial illusions from "artificial" CSFs
- 2.1 - Linearization analysis
 - 2.2 - Jacobian, eigenvalues & eigenvectors
 - 2.3 - Artificial CSFs

- ③ Discussion & conclusions

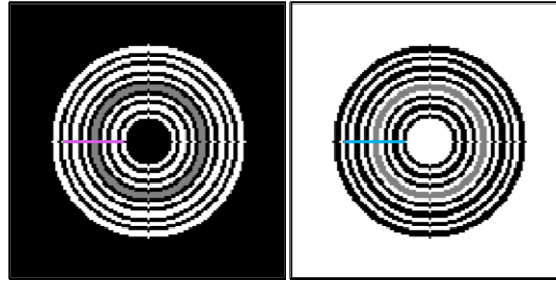
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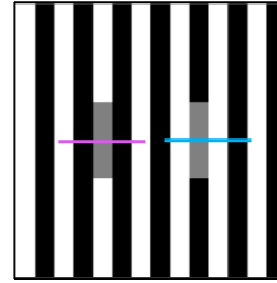
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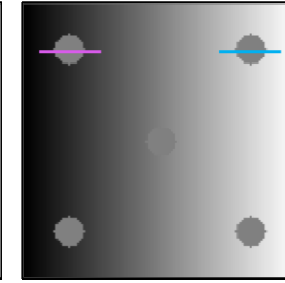
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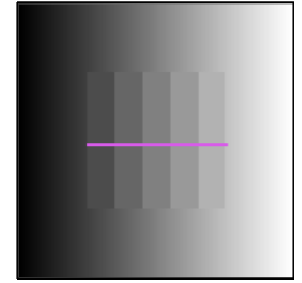
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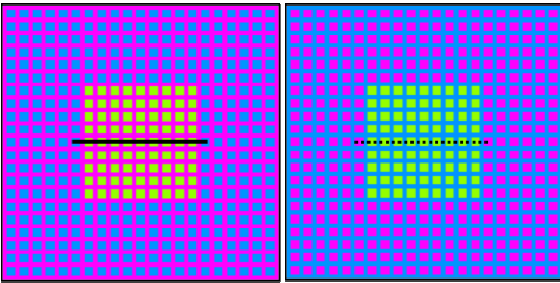
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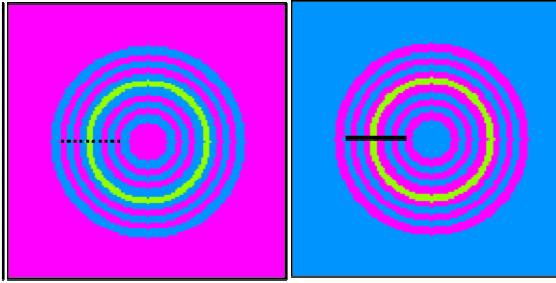
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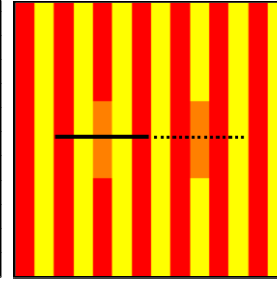
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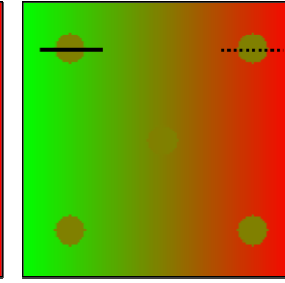
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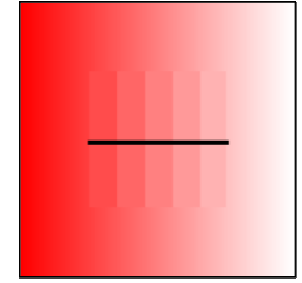
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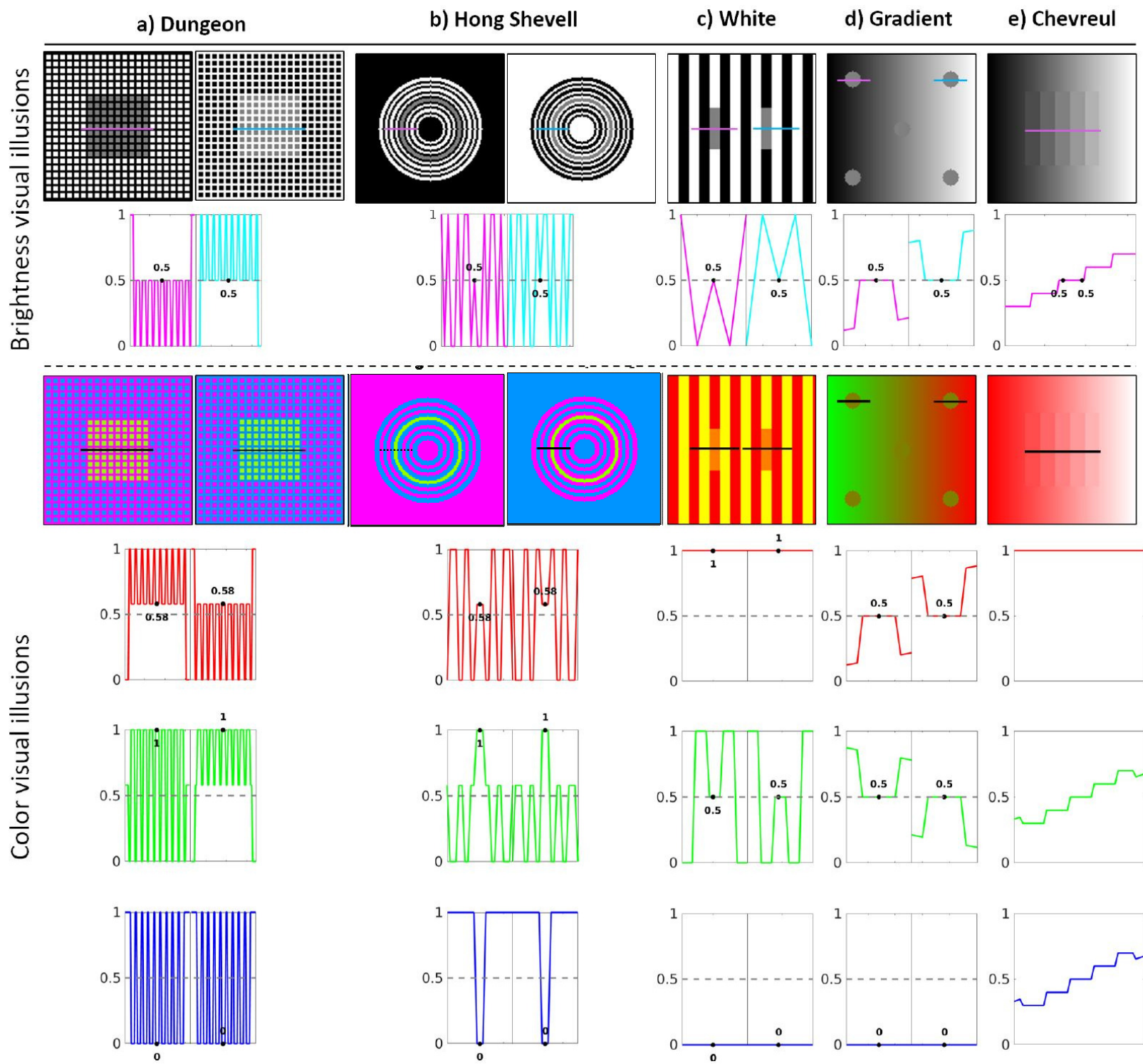
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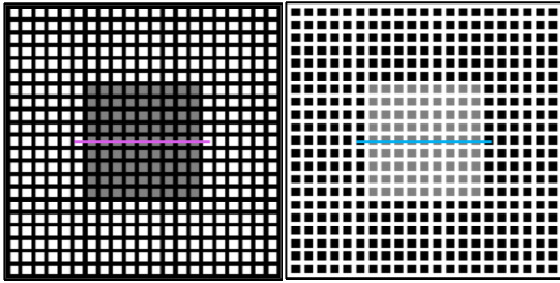
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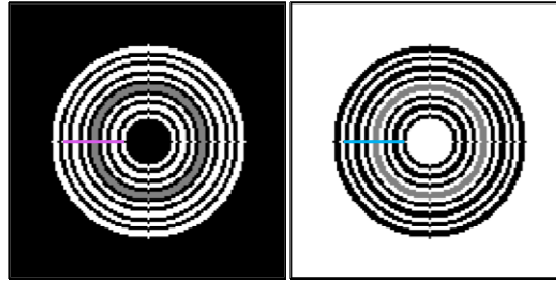
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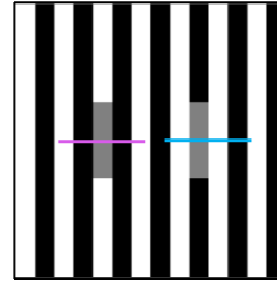
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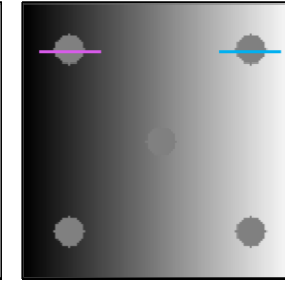
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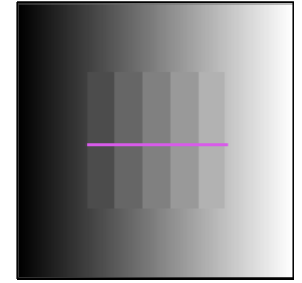
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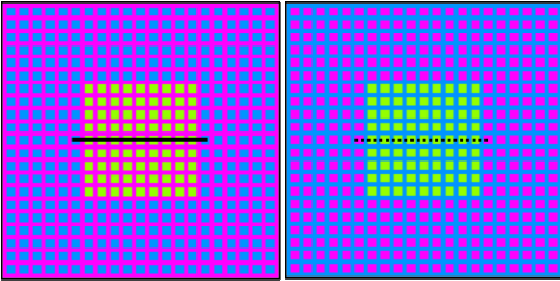
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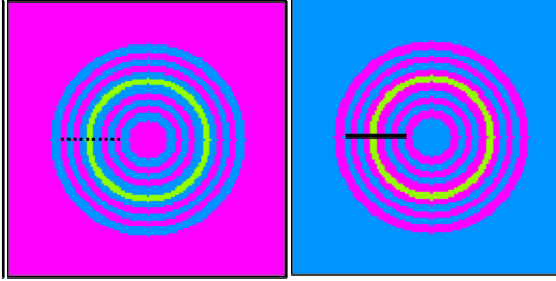
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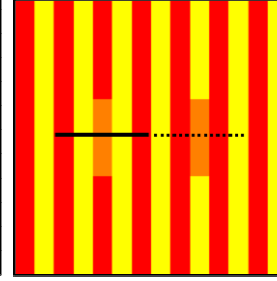
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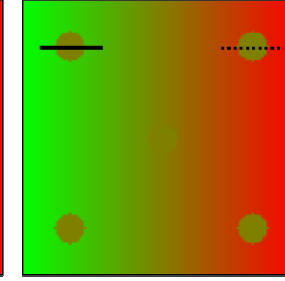
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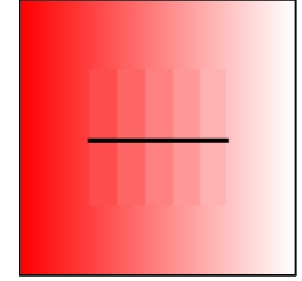
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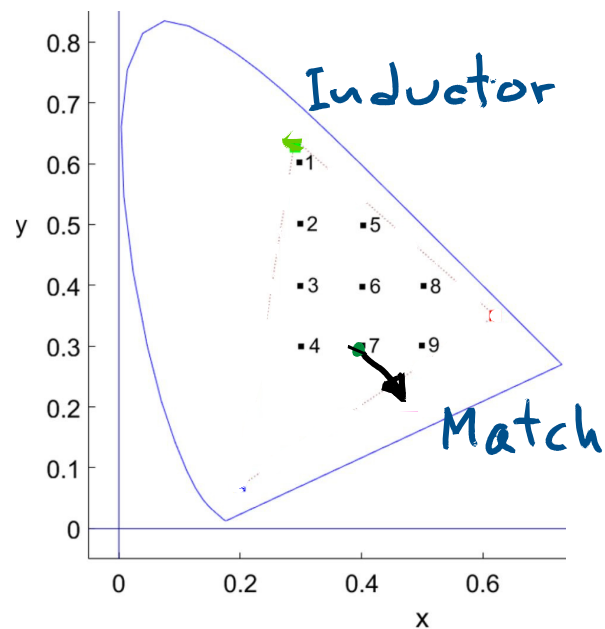
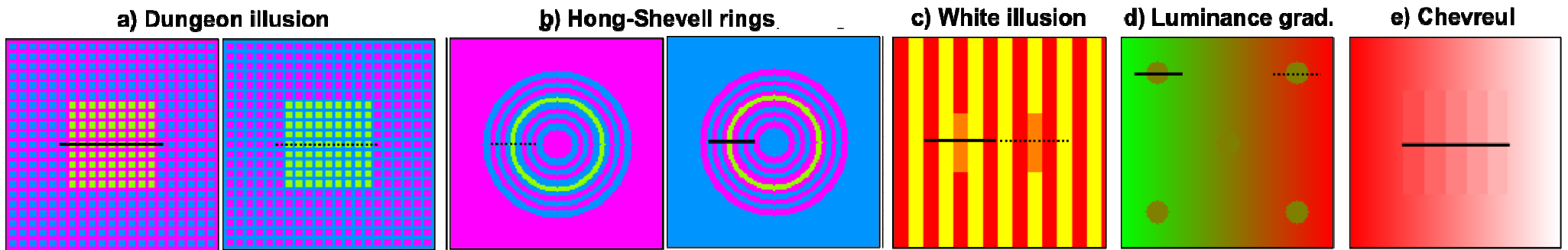
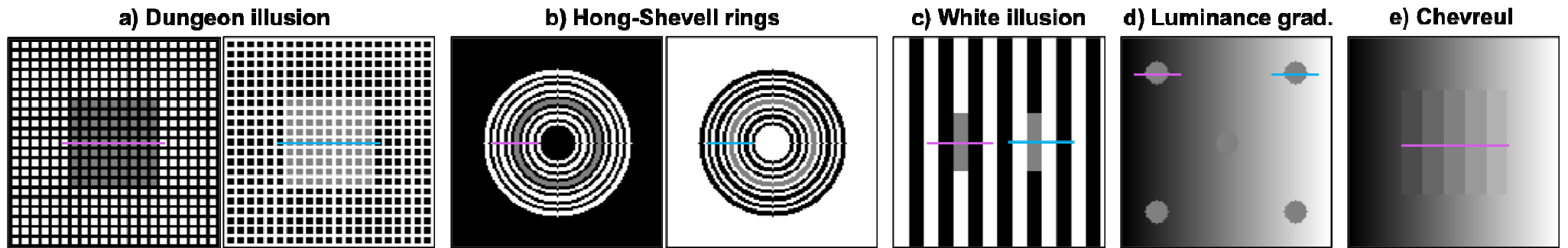


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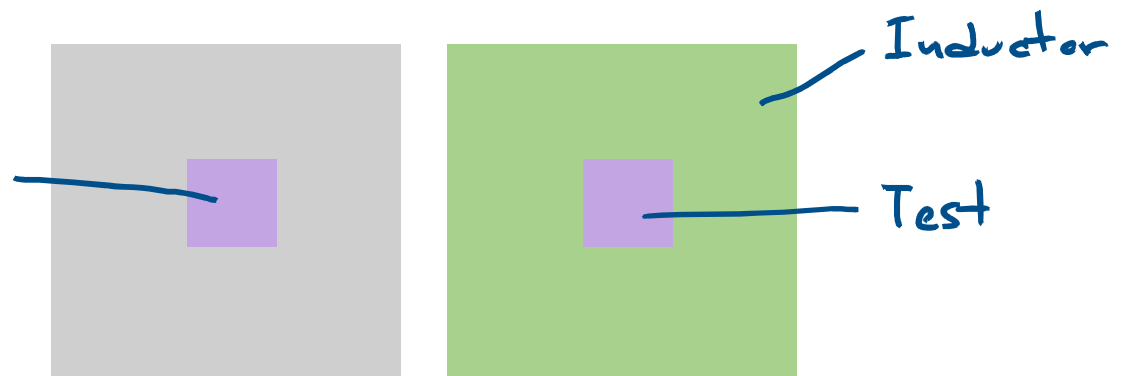
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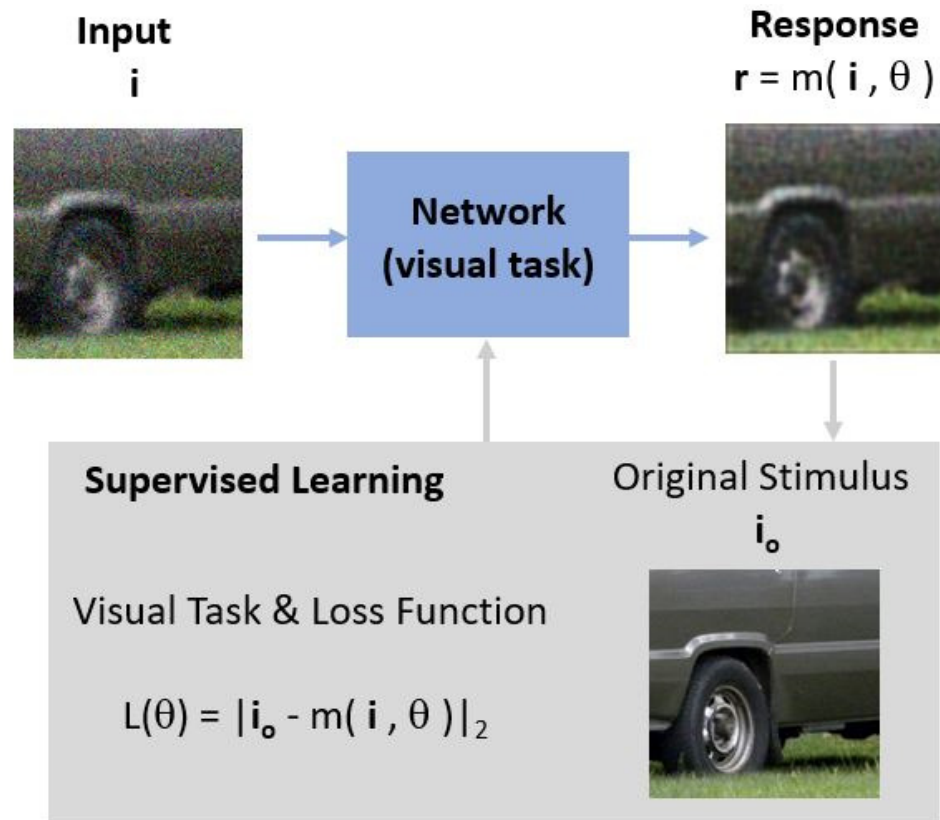


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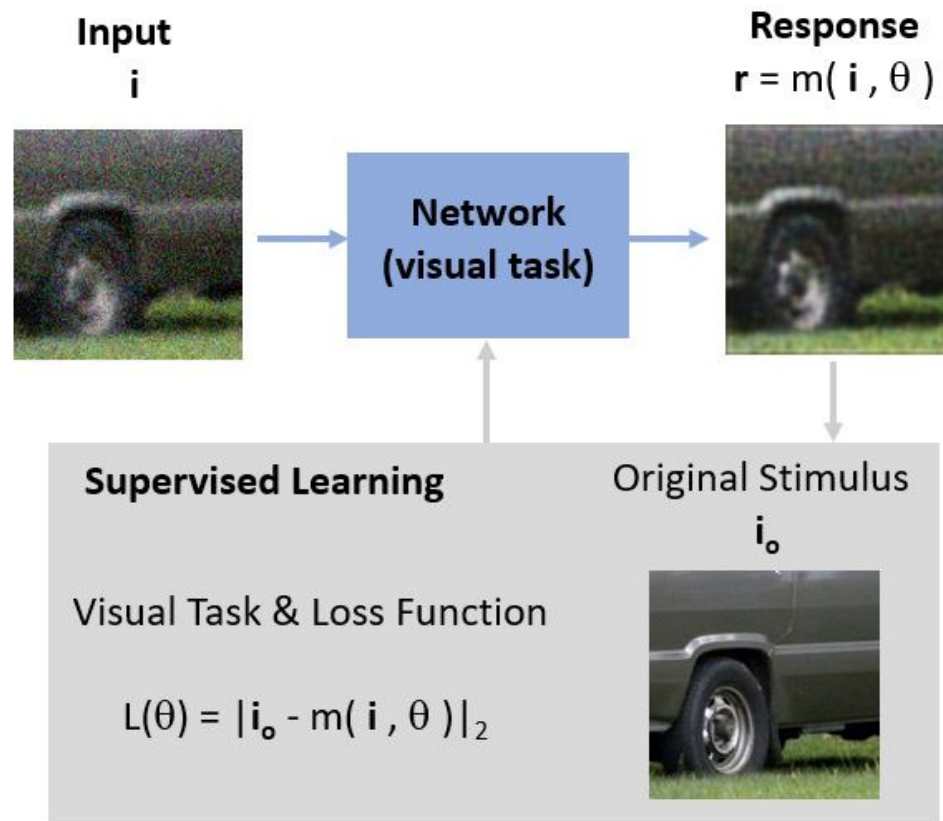
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Learning {

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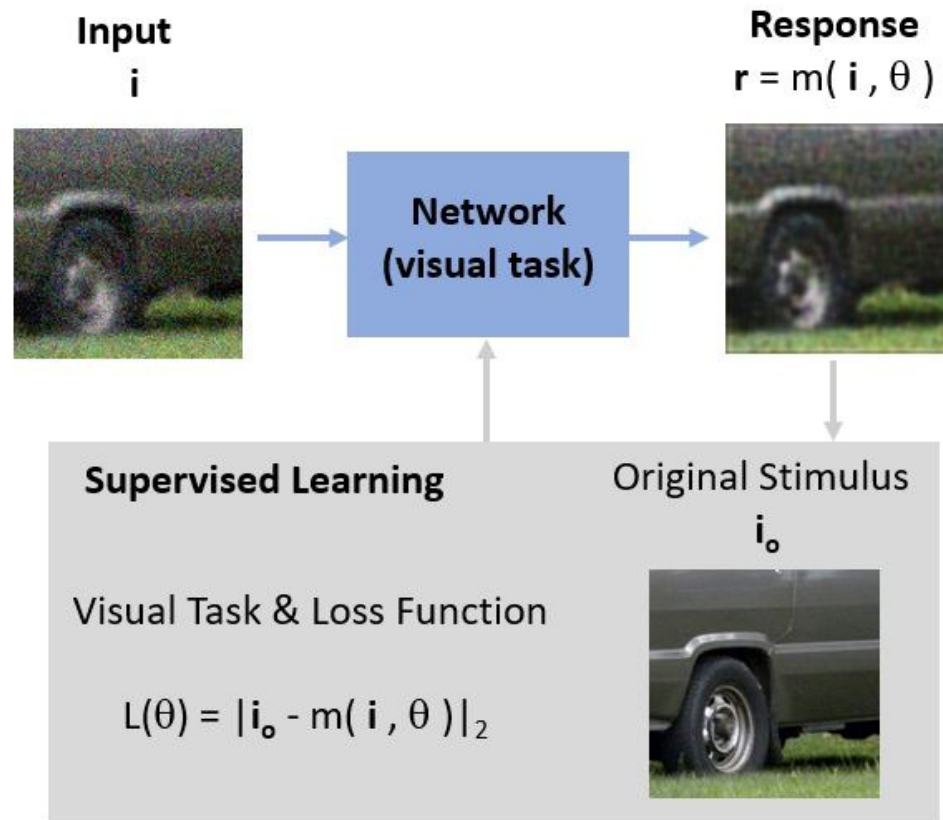
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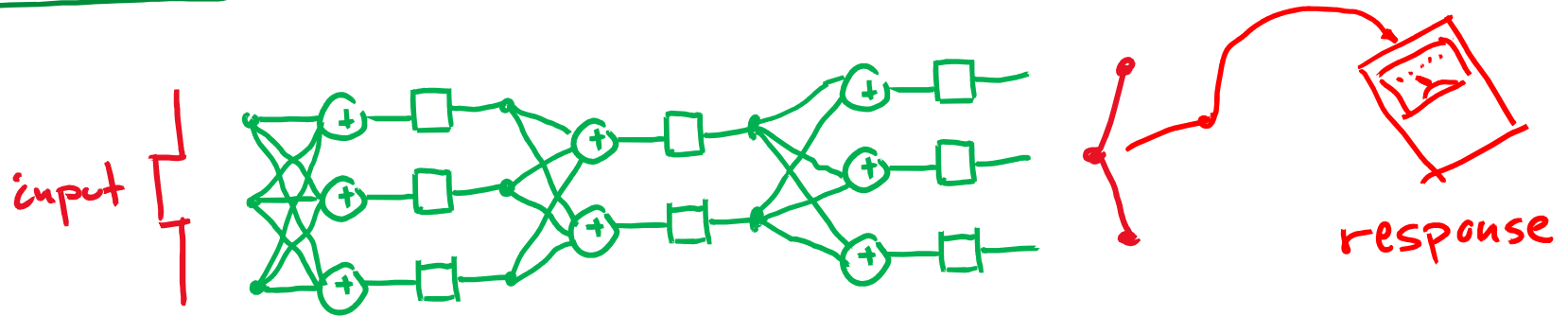
- Russakovsky IJCV 15
- Vazquez et al. Percept. 09
- Malo et al. Neur. Comp. 12

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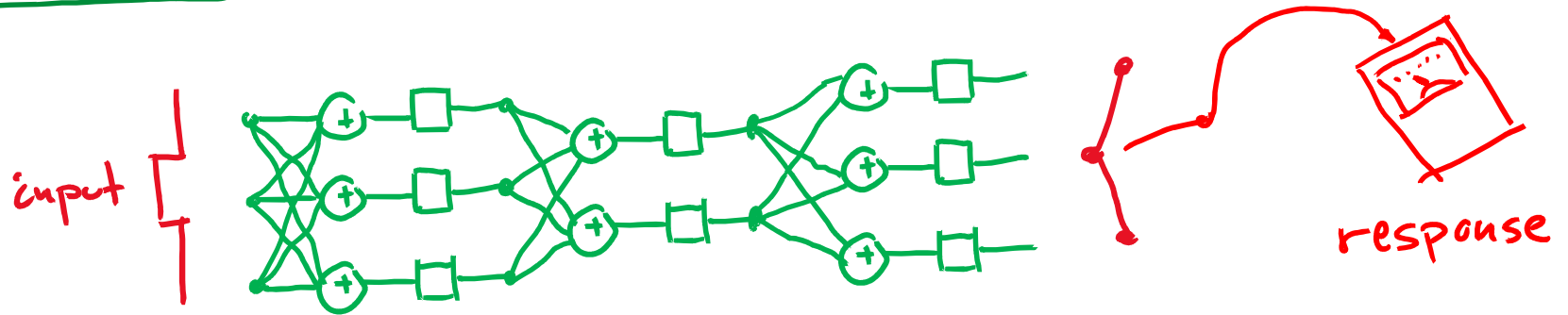
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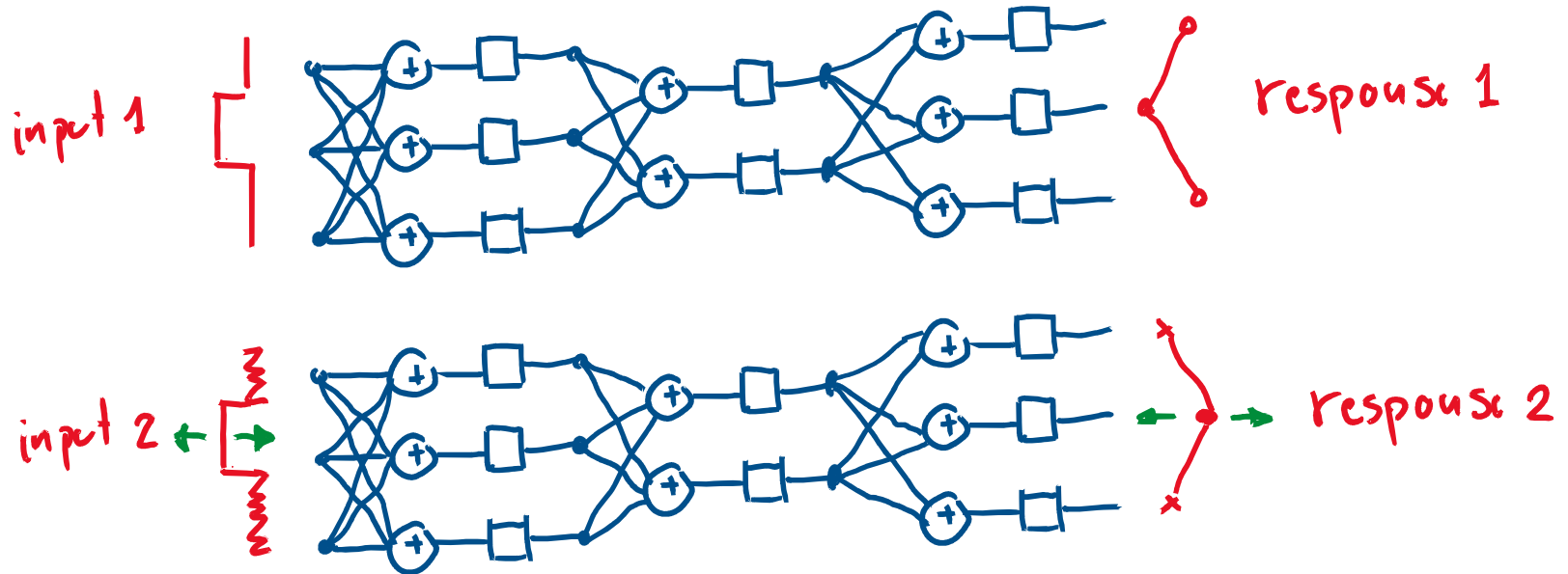


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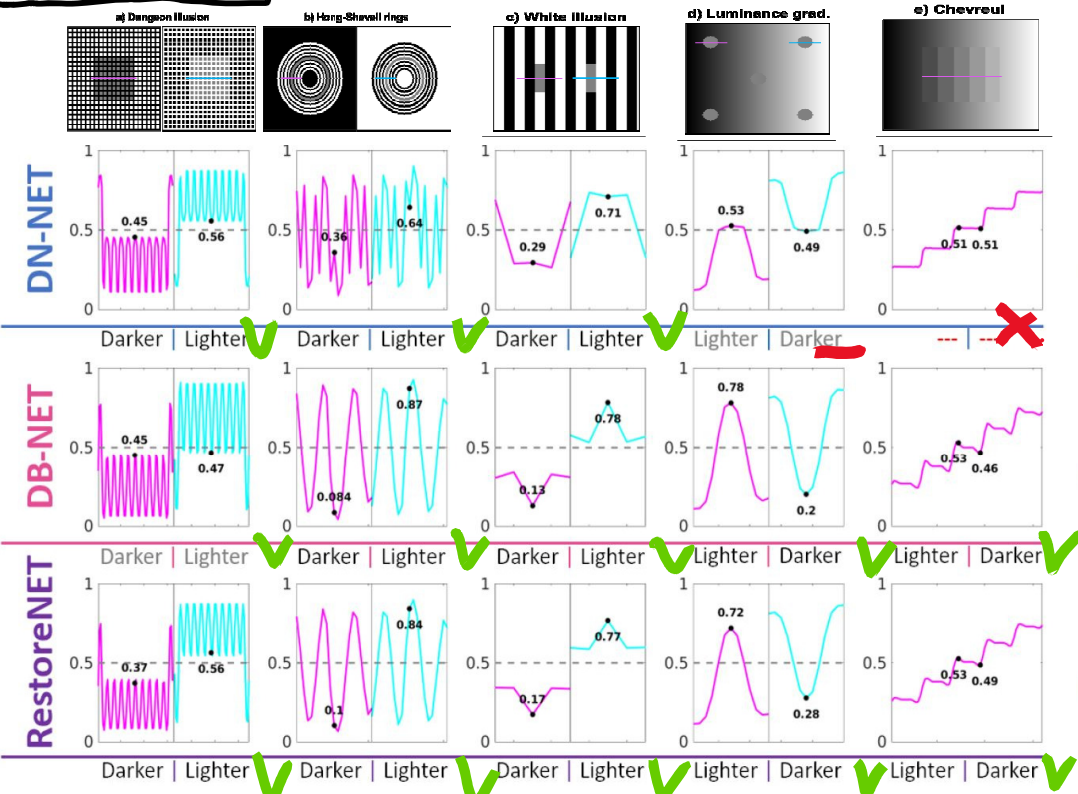
Artificial PSYCHOPHYSICS: Modify input to achieve match in response



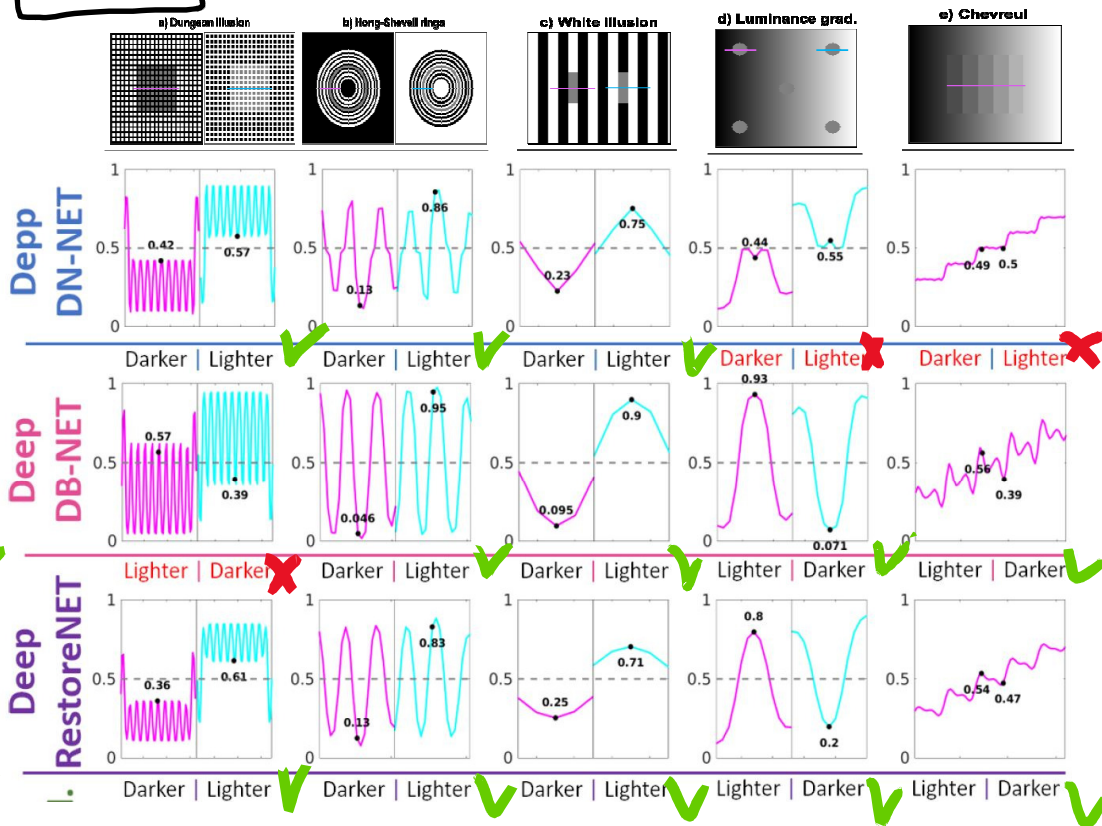
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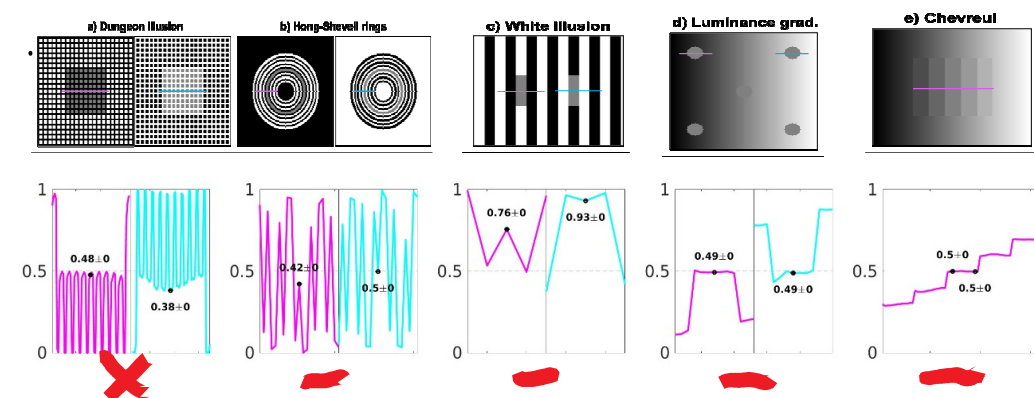
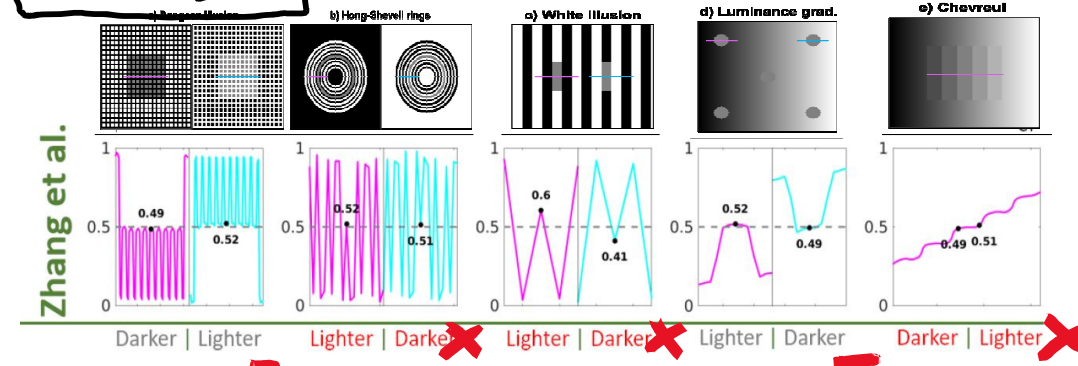
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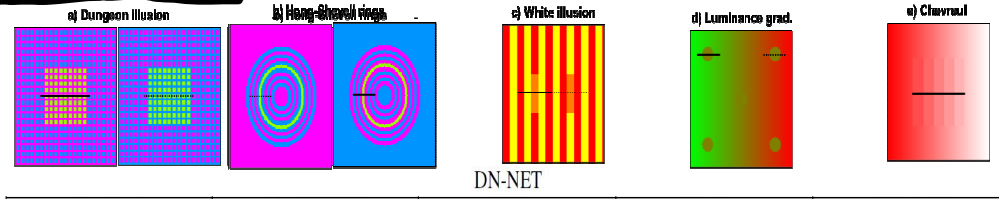


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R	0.58	0.77	0.27	0.58	0.39	0.72	1	0.85	0.92	0.5	0.43	0.61	1	0.92	0.91
G	1	0.38	0.76	1	0.74	0.53	0.5	0.64	0.36	0.5	0.63	0.36	0.5	0.5	0.51
B	0	0.47	0.51	0	0.44	0.37	0	0.074	0.13	0	0.079	0.079	0.5	0.49	0.51

DB-NET

✓ ✓ ✓ ✗ ✓

	Dungeon			Hong-Shevell			White			Gradient			Chevreul		
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R	0.58	0.68	0.22	0.58	0.21	0.44	1	0.81	0.94	0.5	0.37	0.64	1	0.92	0.9
G	1	0.36	0.75	1	0.62	0.39	0.5	0.55	0.39	0.5	0.6	0.38	0.5	0.47	0.45
B	0	0.34	0.44	0	0.25	0.21	0	0.058	0.12	0	0.078	0.075	0.5	0.48	0.46

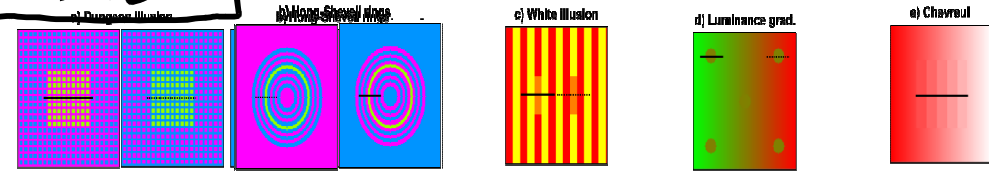
RestoreNET

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G	1	0.36	0.76	1	0.64	0.41	0.5	0.55	0.39	0.5	0.6	0.37	0.5	0.49	0.48
B	0	0.43	0.53	0	0.38	0.34	0	0.057	0.11	0	0.073	0.075	0.5	0.48	0.47

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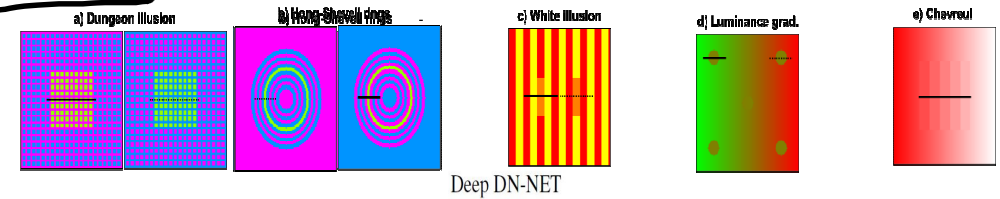


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G	1	0.98	0.98	1	0.99	0.98	0.5	0.5	0.49	0.5	0.49	0.51	0.5	0.48	0.51
B	0	0.027	0.027	0	0.02	0.02	0	0.012	0.012	0	0.012	0.012	0.5	0.48	0.51

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G	1	0.38	0.72	1	0.57	0.4	0.5	0.61	0.38	0.5	0.54	0.48	0.5	0.49	0.49
B	0	0.5	0.57	0	0.56	0.49	0	0.028	0.056	0	0.027	0.03	0.5	0.52	0.52

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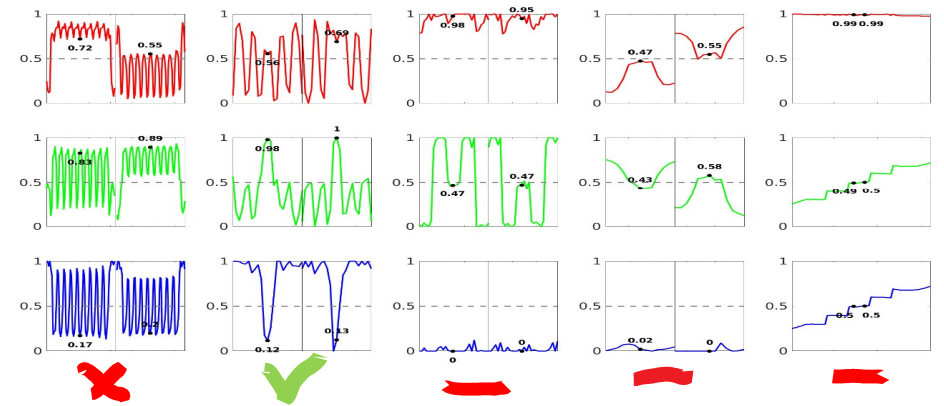
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G	1	0.27	0.72	1	0.51	0.25	0.5	0.48	0.47	0.5	0.56	0.41	0.5	0.52	0.45
B	0	0.41	0.57	0	0.52	0.36	0	0.024	0.094	0	0.068	0.052	0.5	0.53	0.46

Deep RestoreNET

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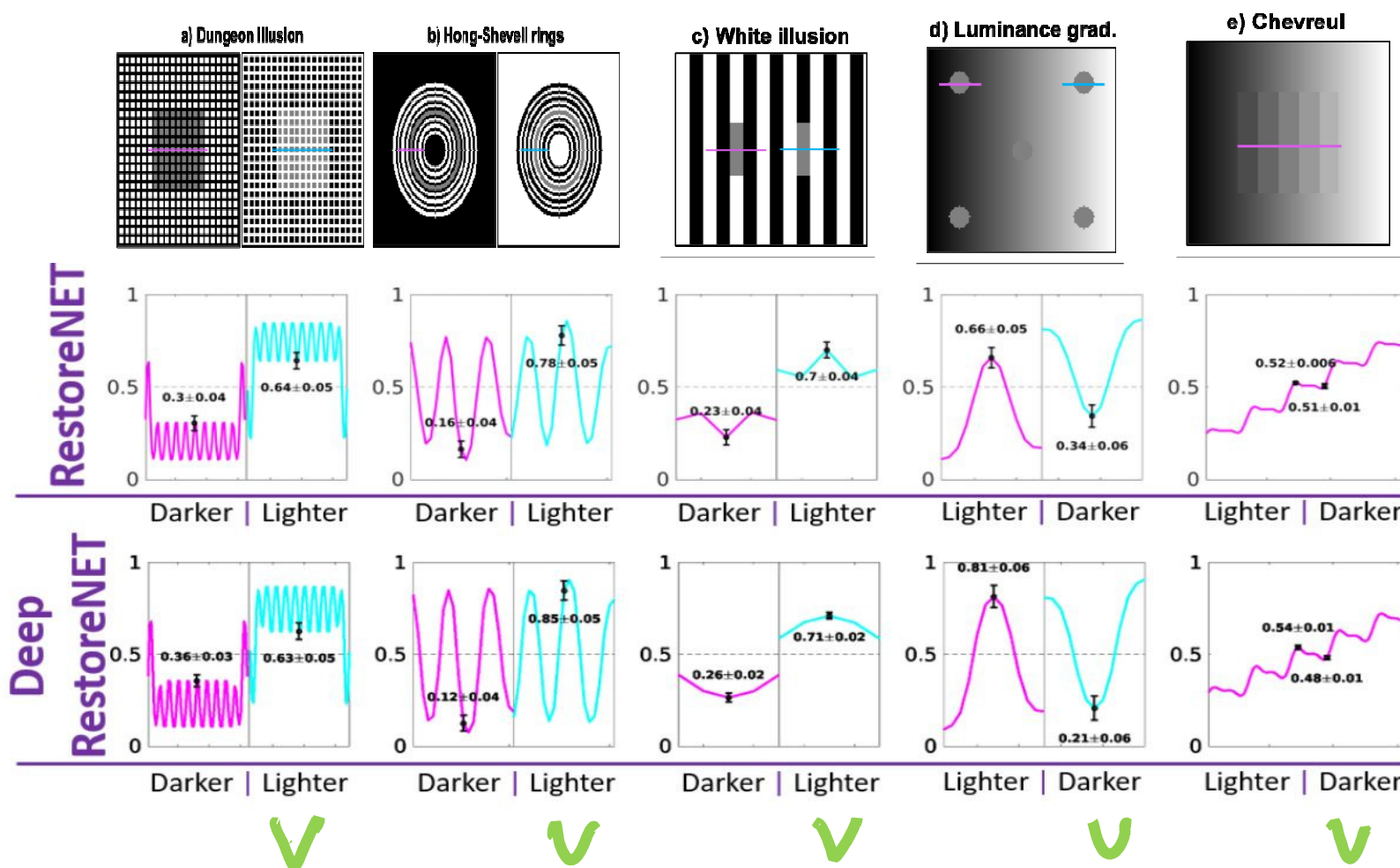
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B	0	0.49	0.56	0	0.49	0.53	0	0.036	0.075	0	0.074	0.073	0.5	0.5	0.48

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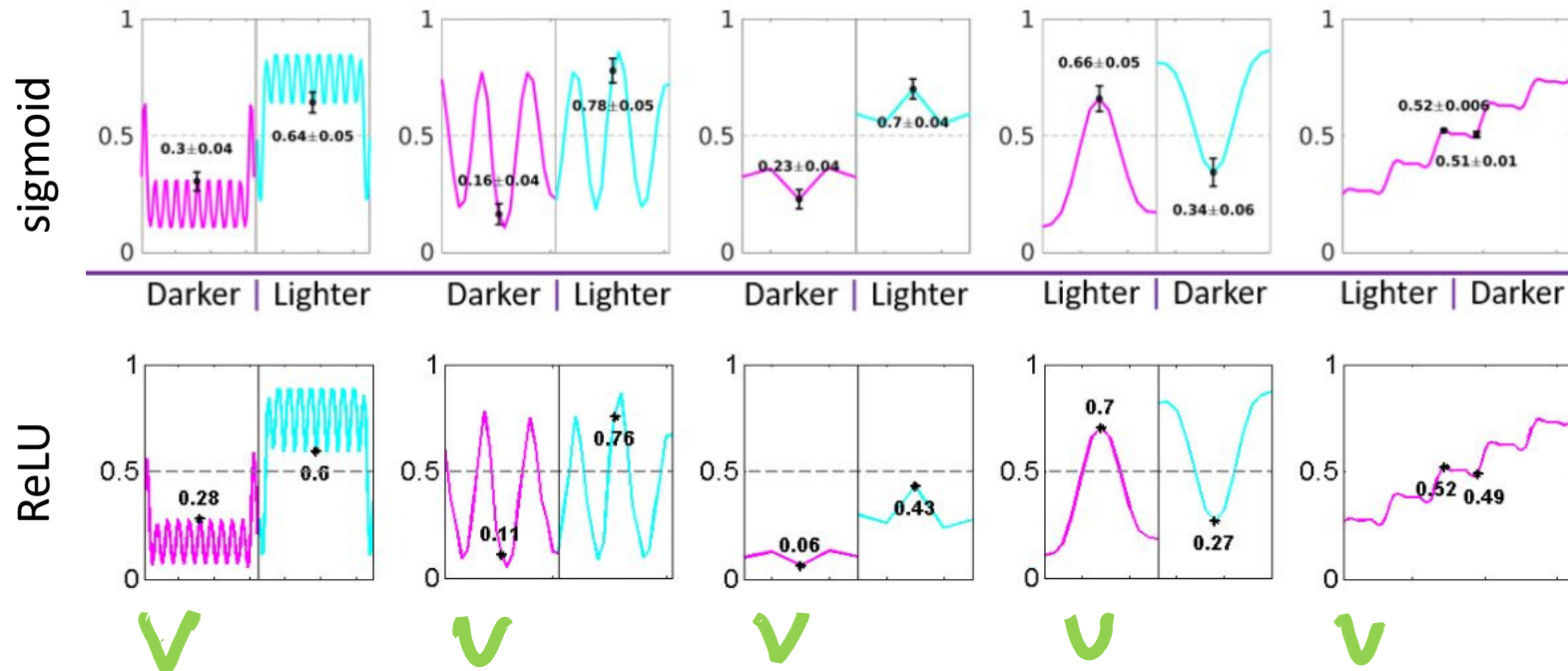
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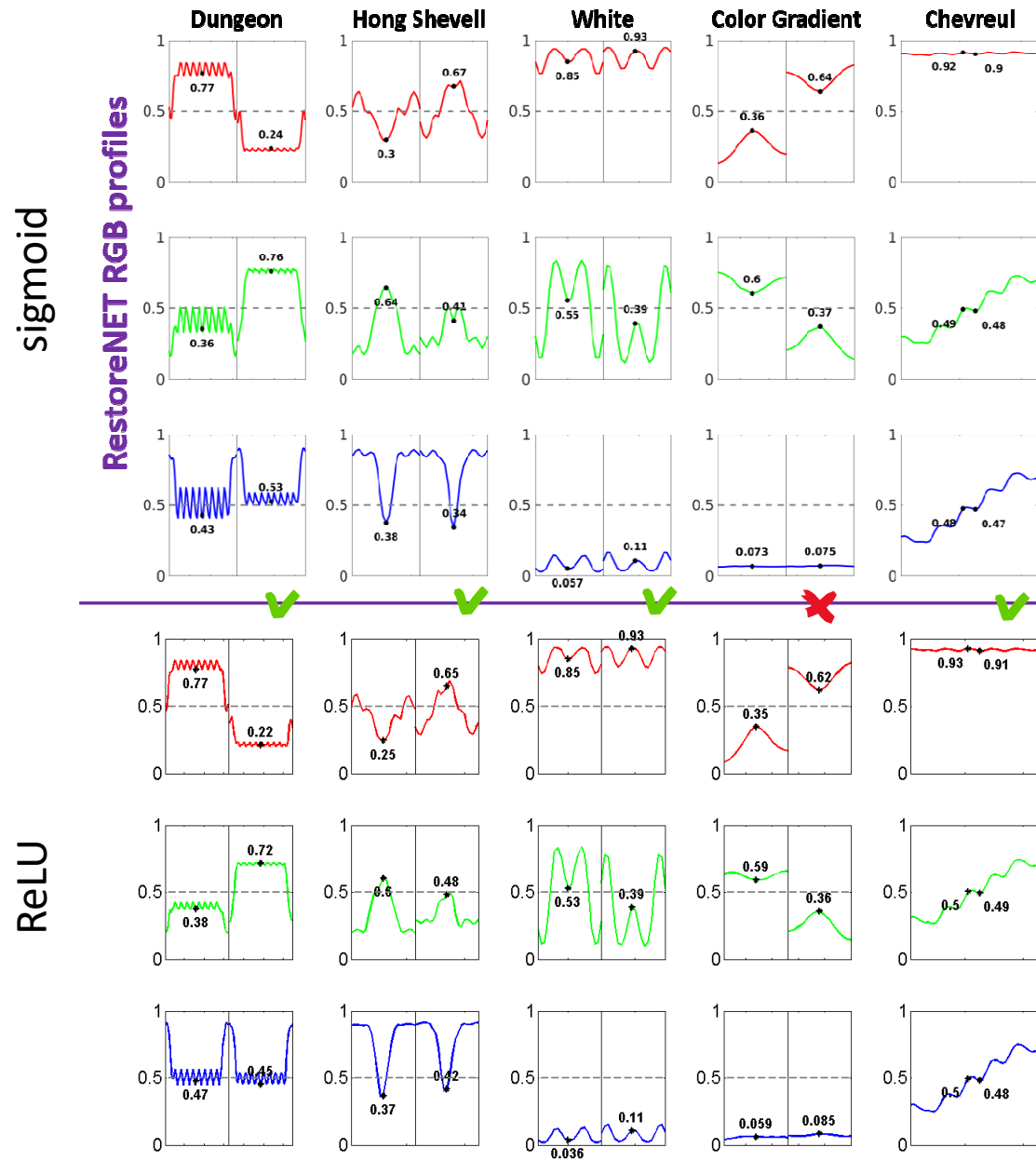
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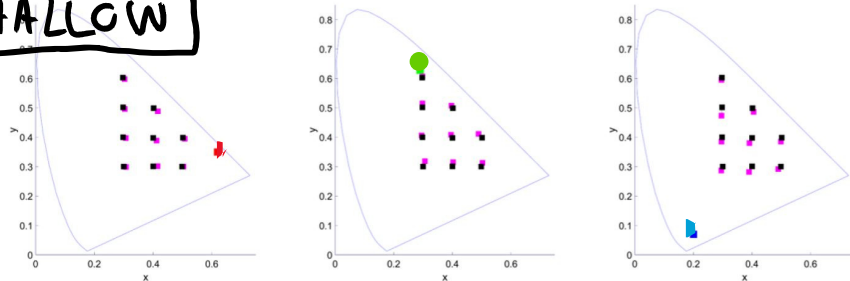
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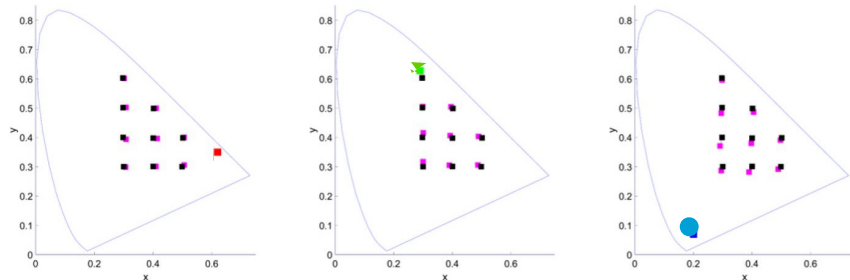
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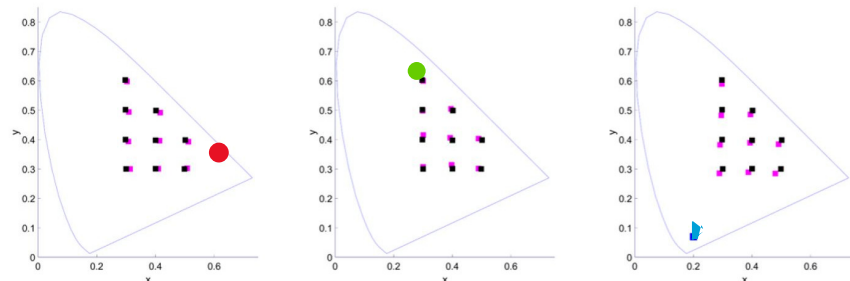
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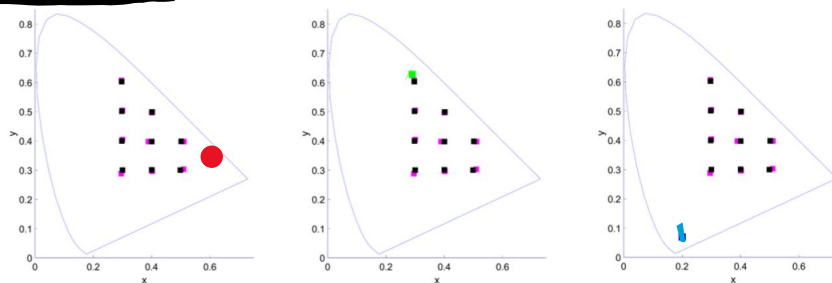


RestoreNET



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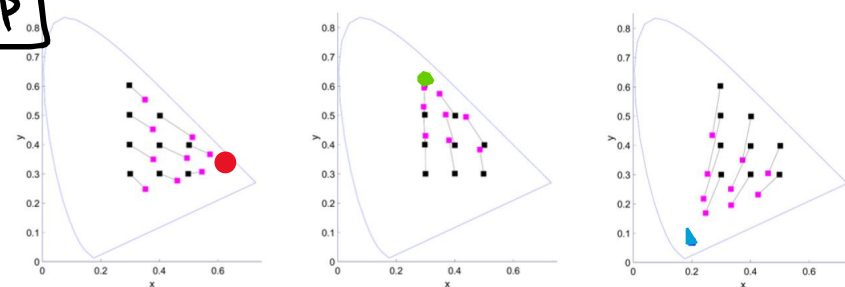
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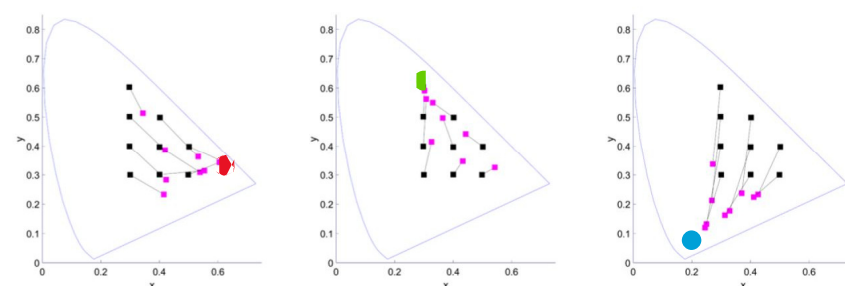
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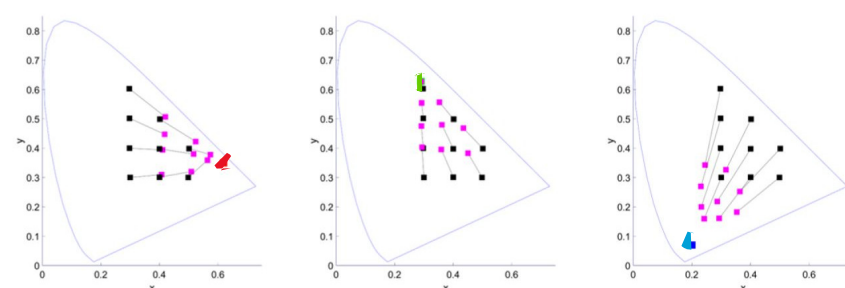
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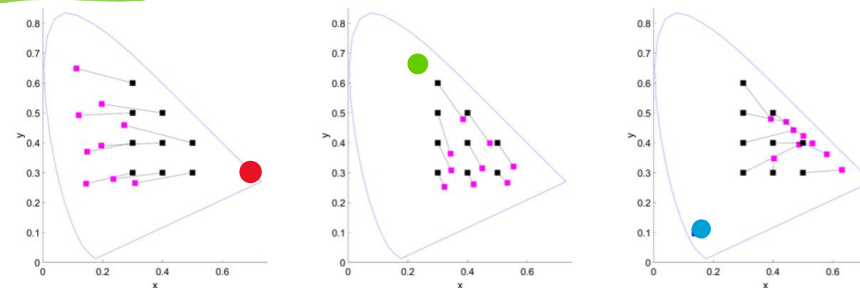


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HUMANS

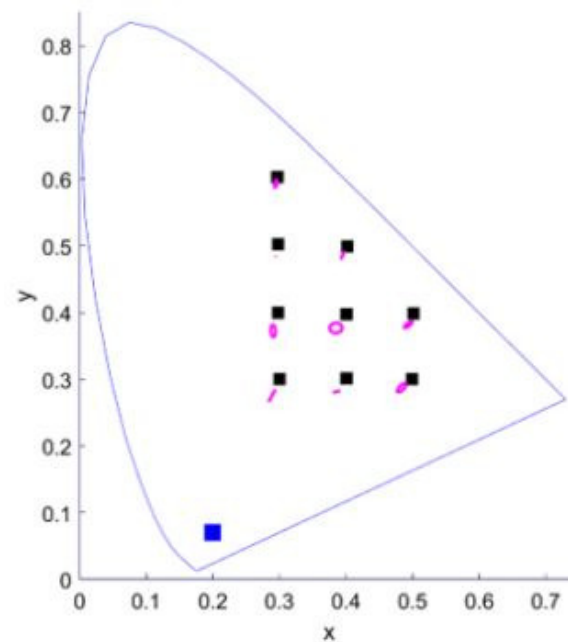
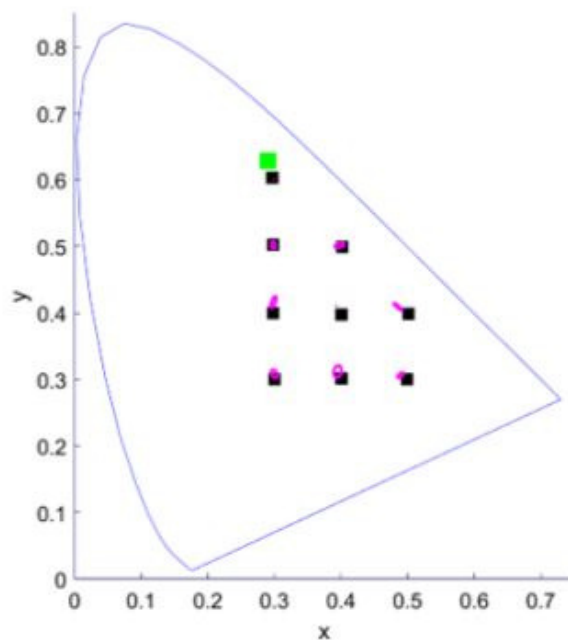
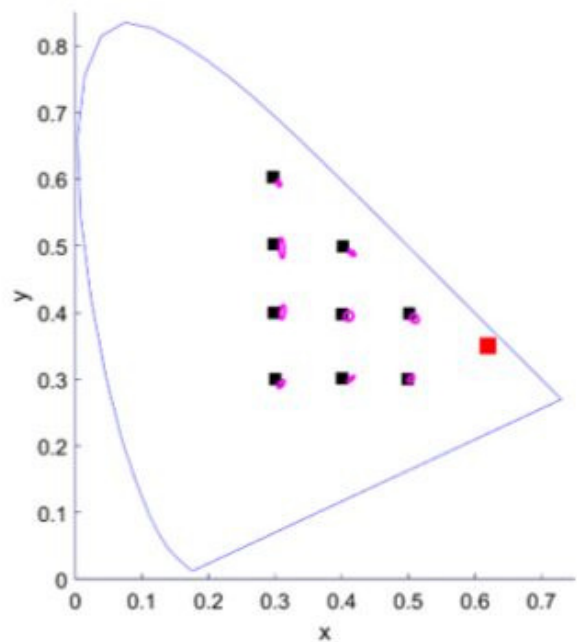
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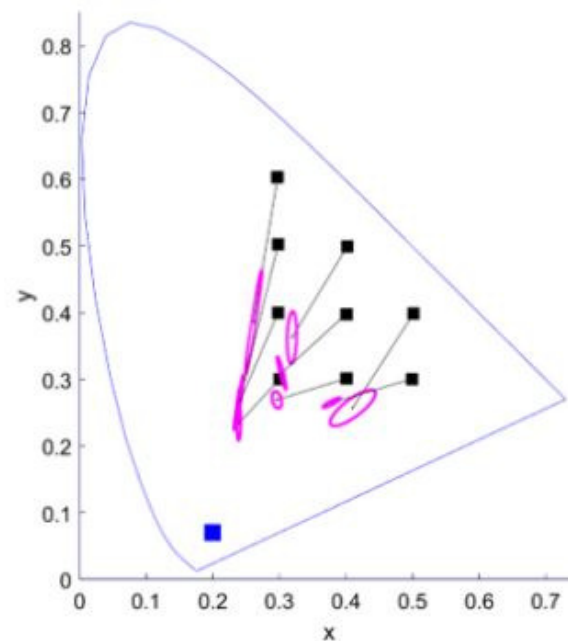
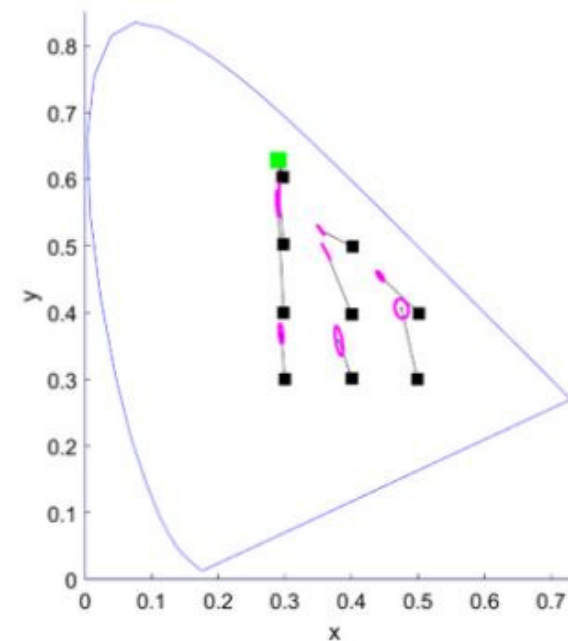
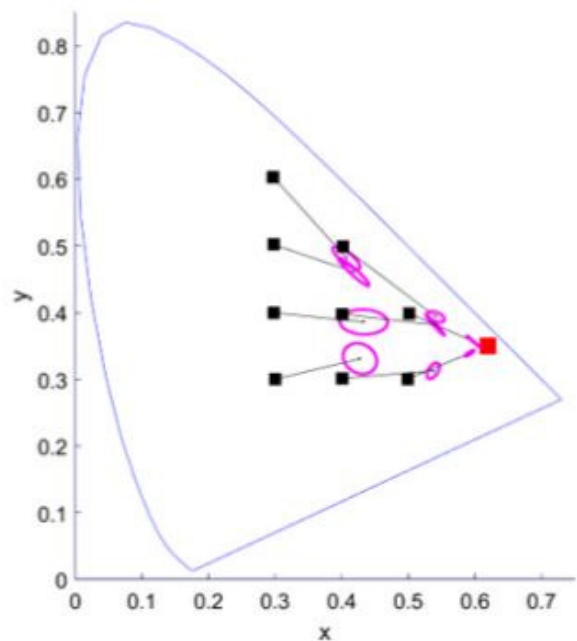
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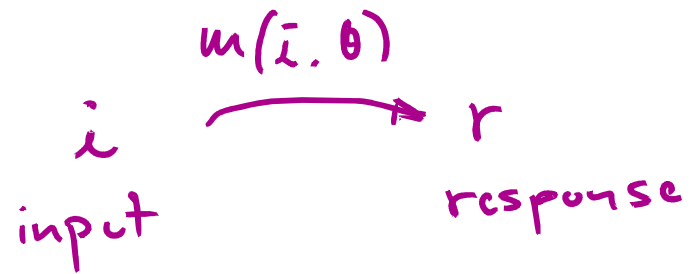
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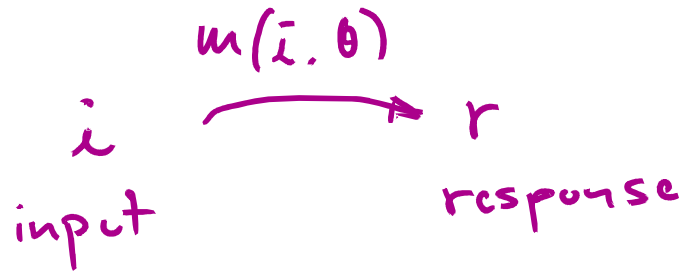
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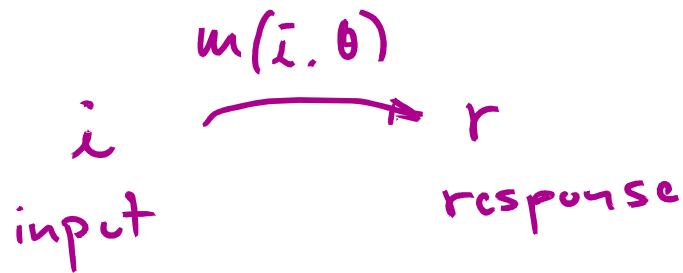
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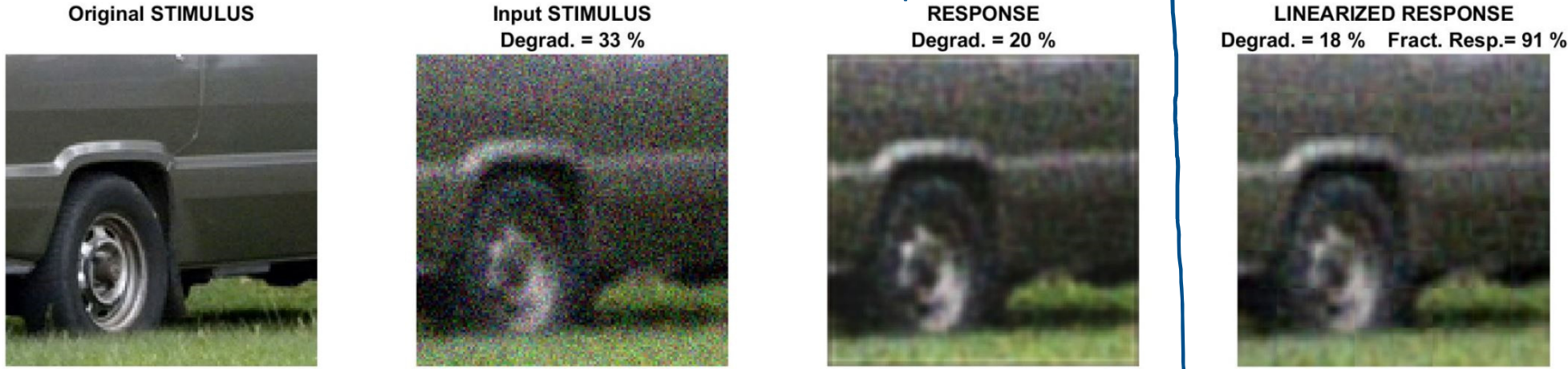
- Analytic Martinez, Malo et al. PLOS 18
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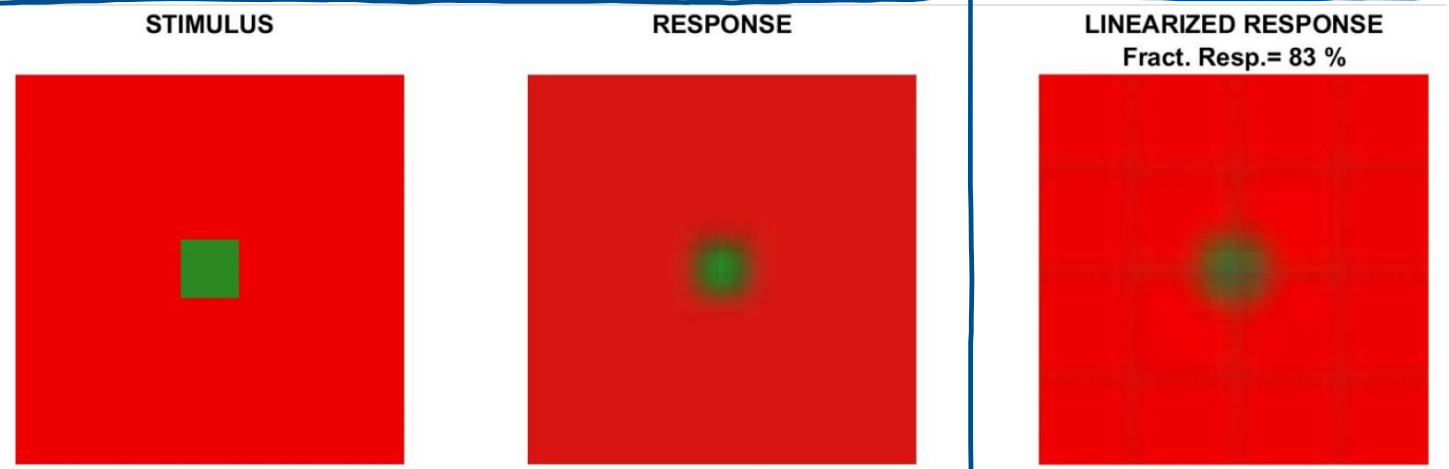
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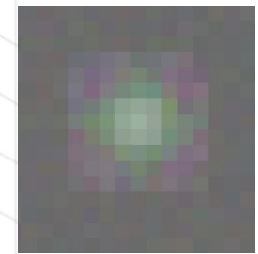
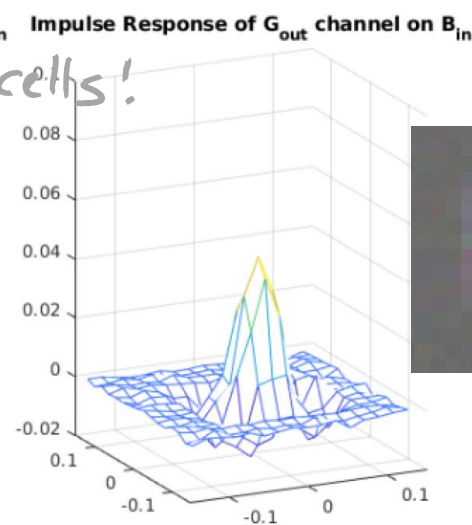
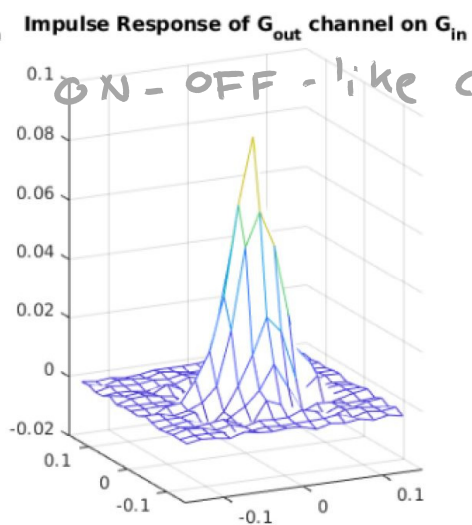
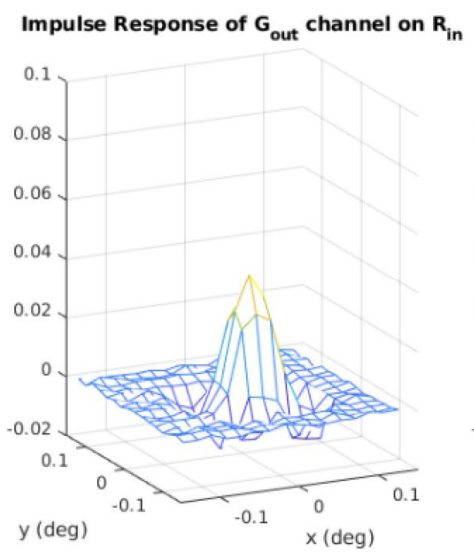
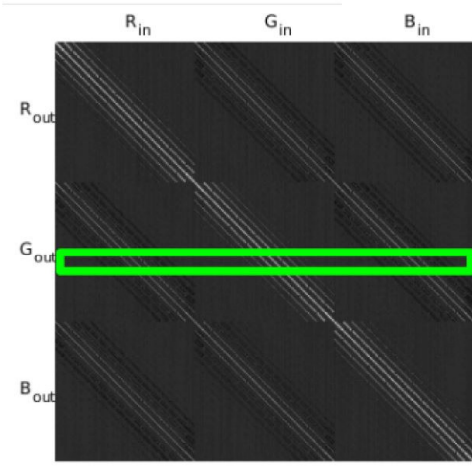
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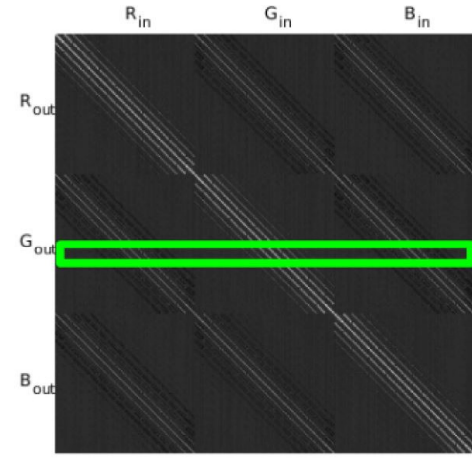
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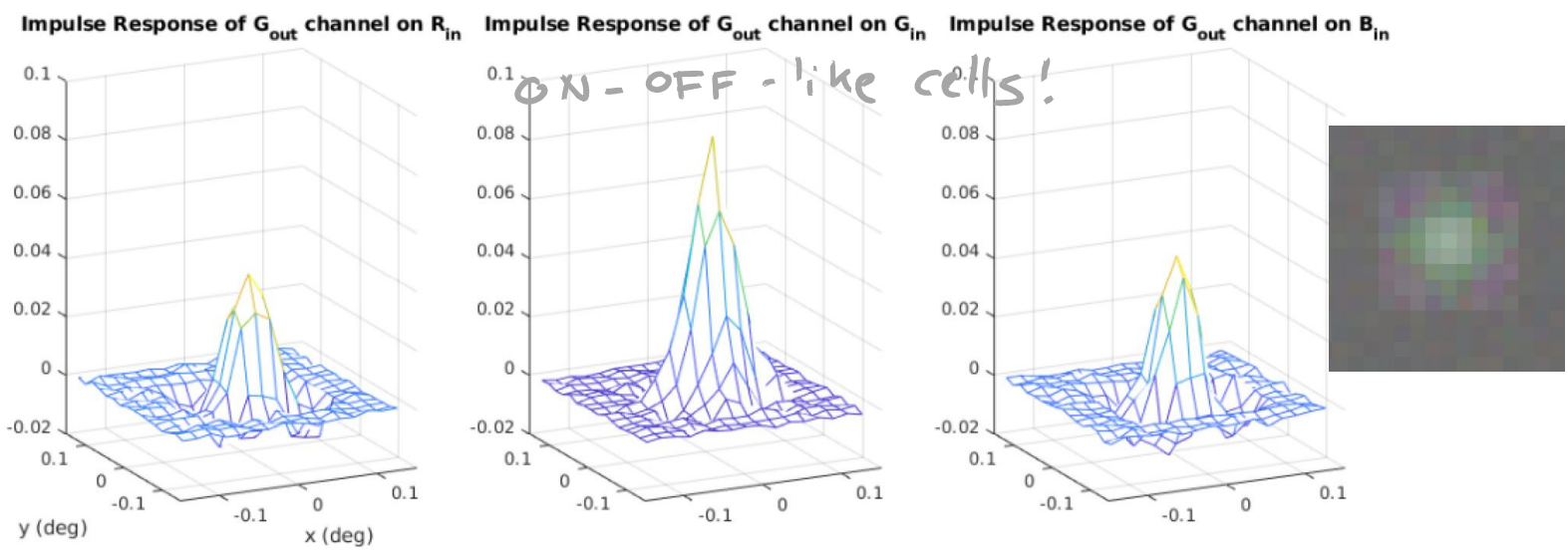


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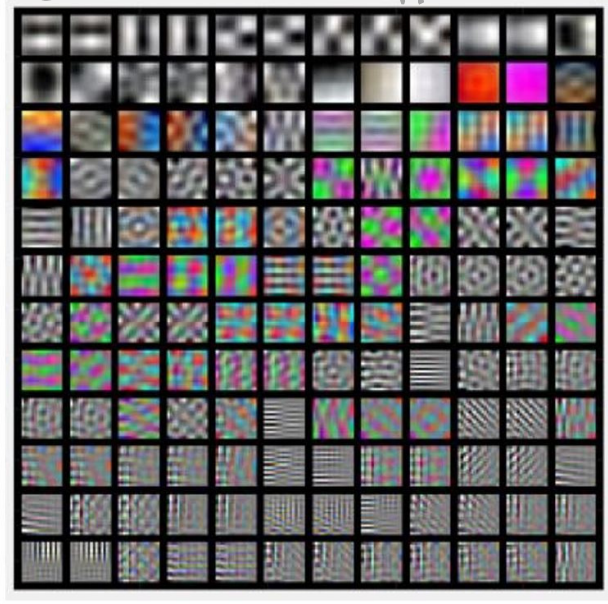
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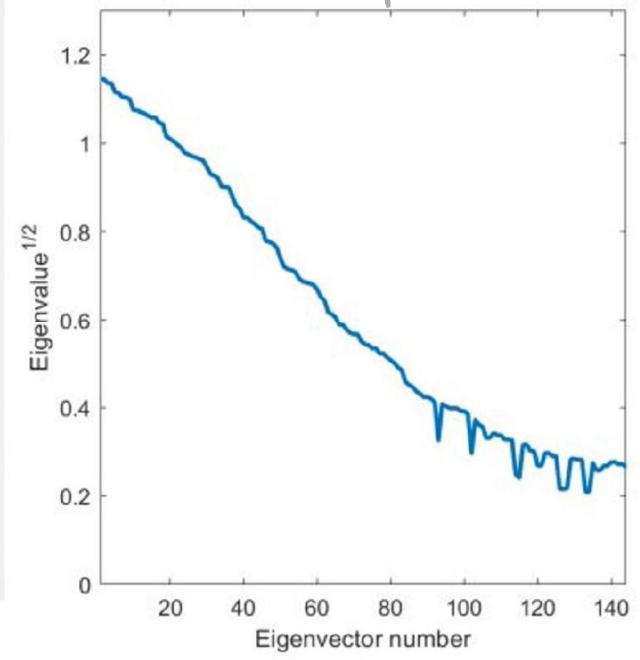
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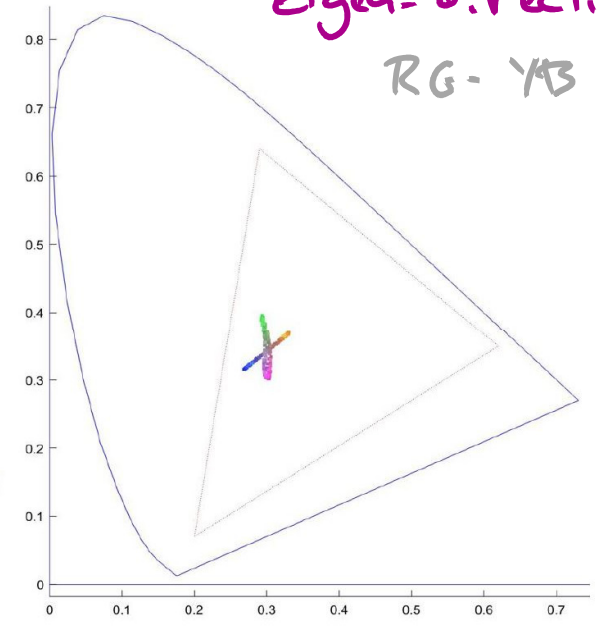
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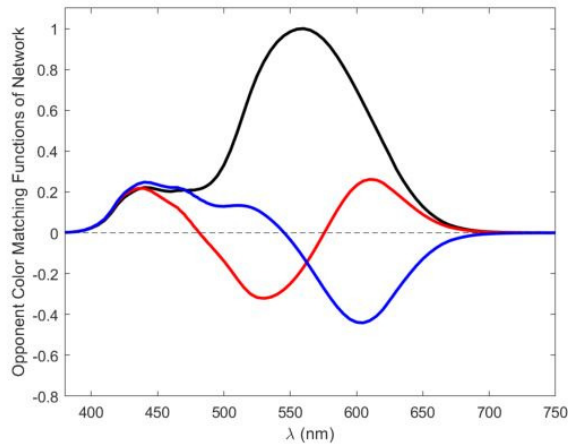
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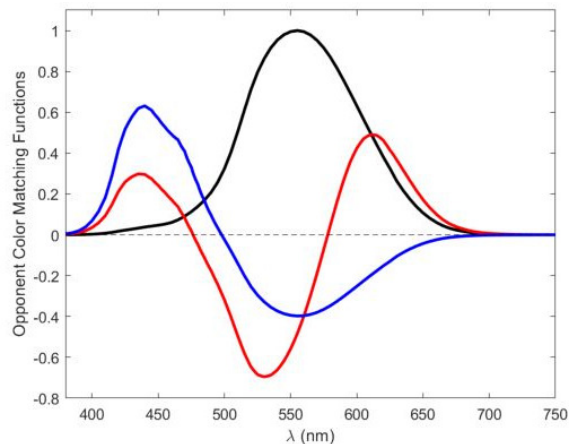
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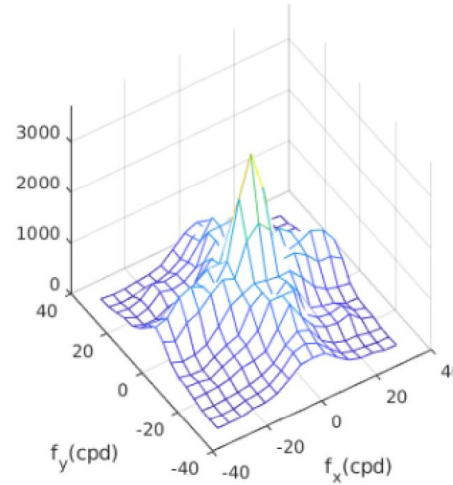
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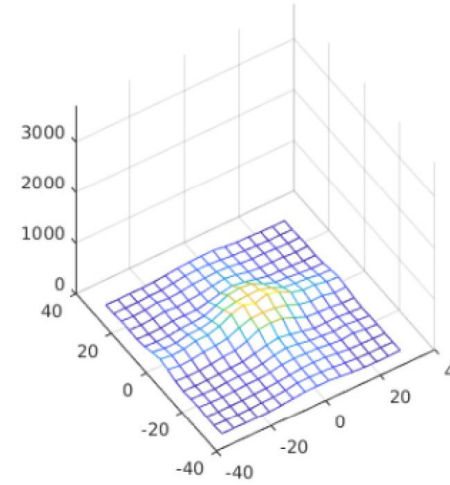
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Achromatic filter (from eigen functions)



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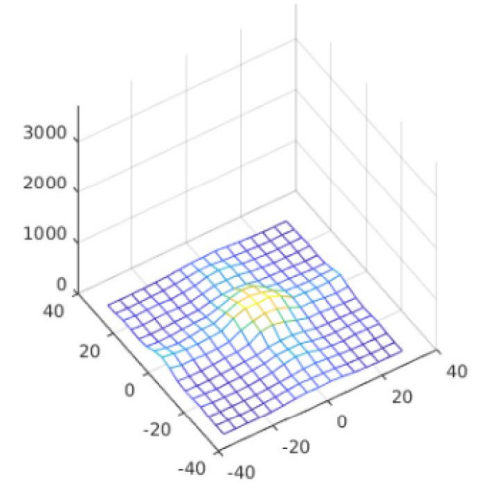
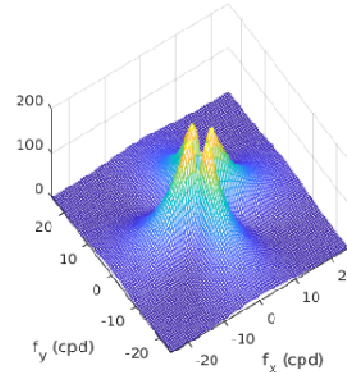


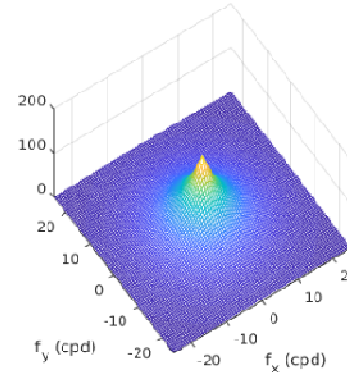
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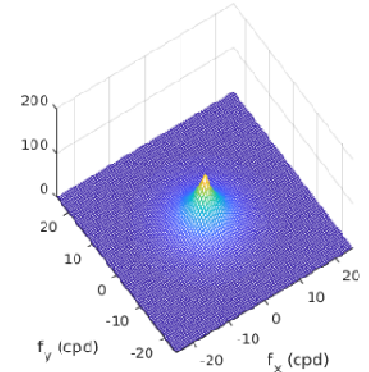
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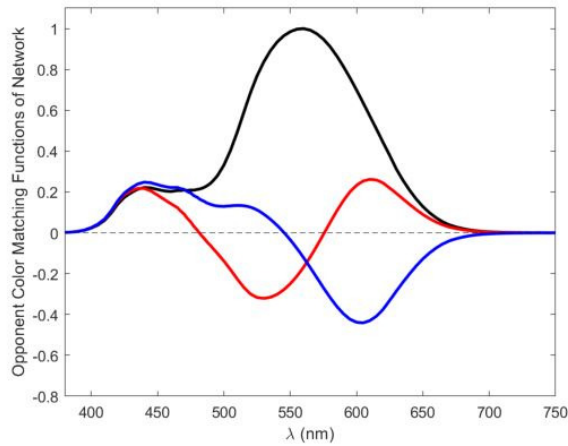
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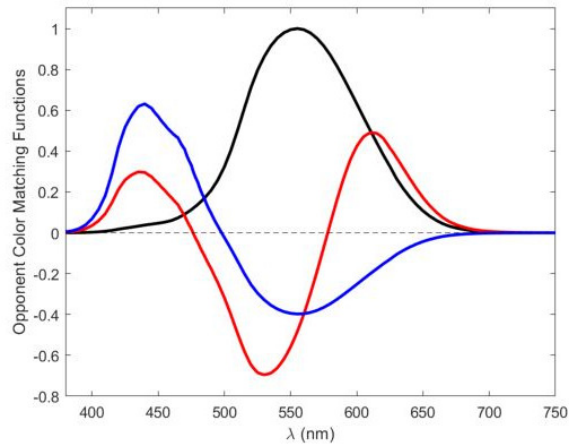
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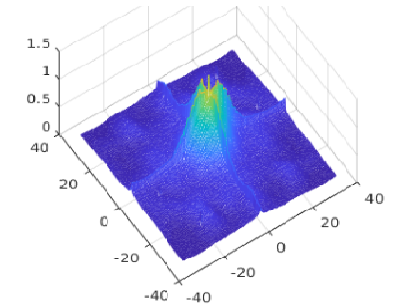
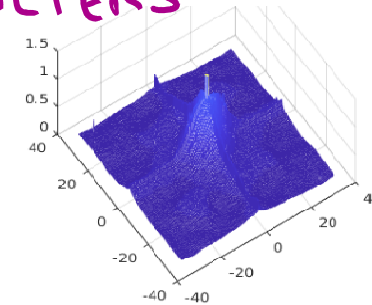
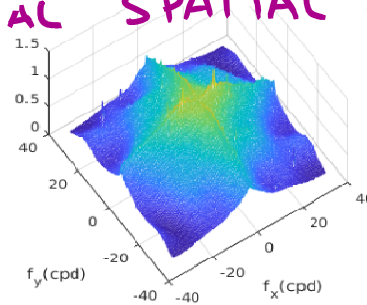
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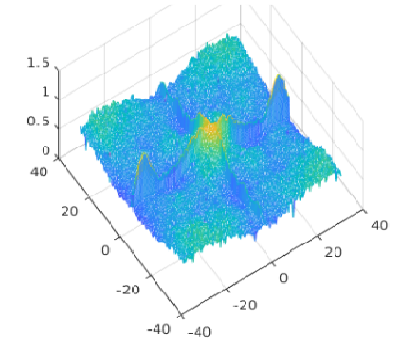
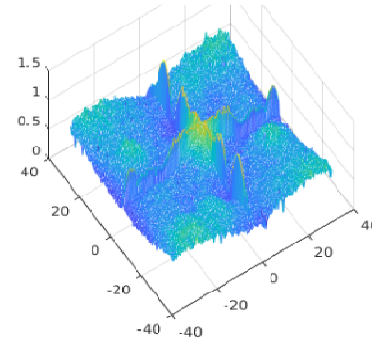
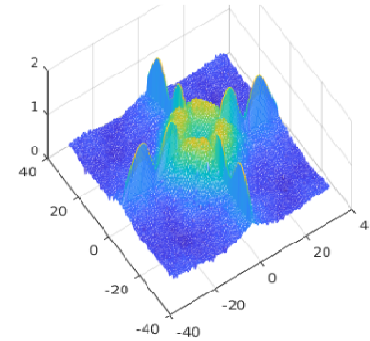
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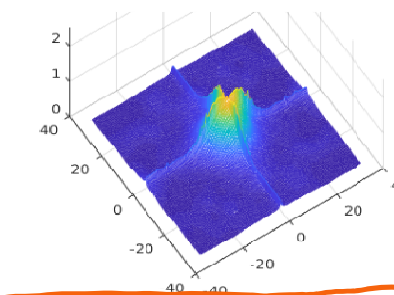
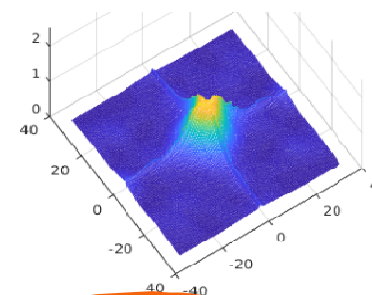
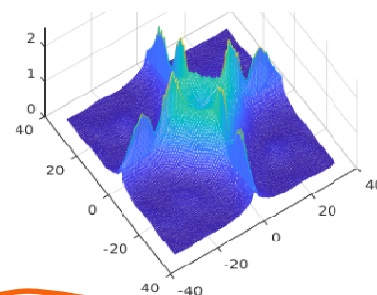
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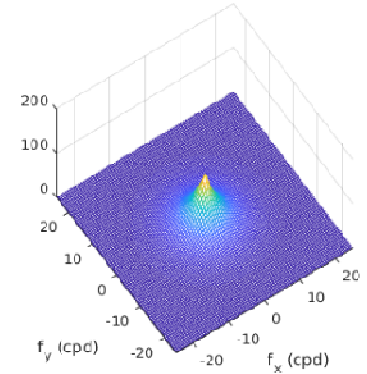
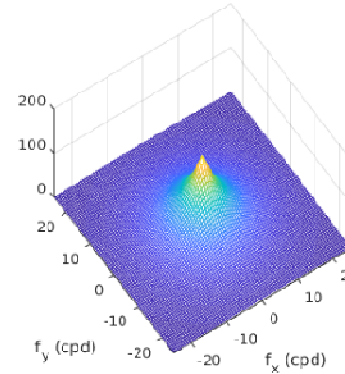
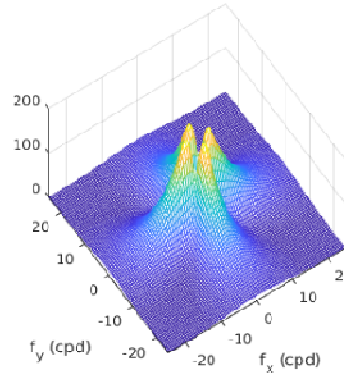


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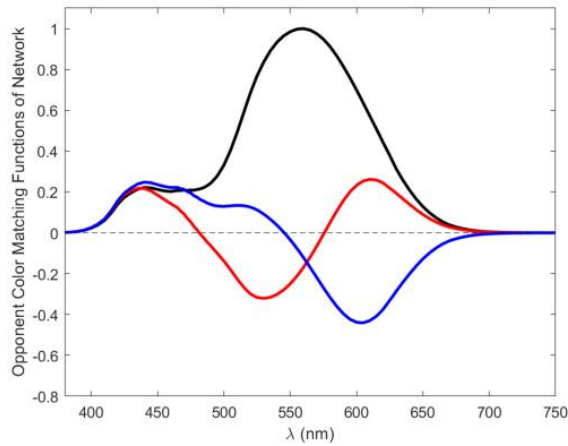
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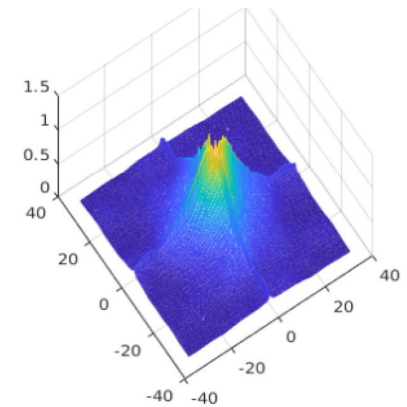
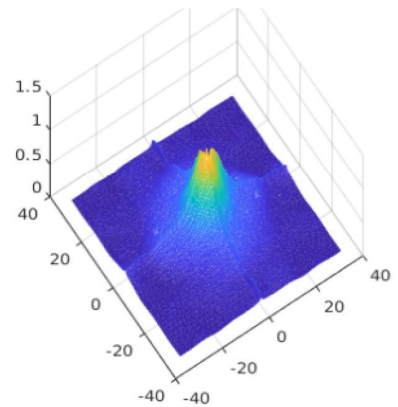
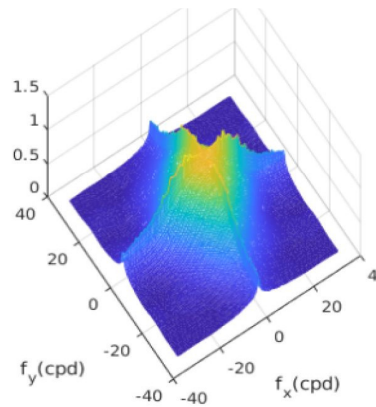
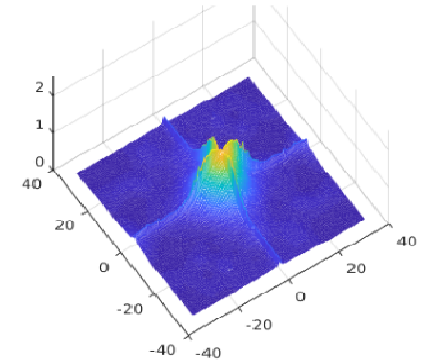
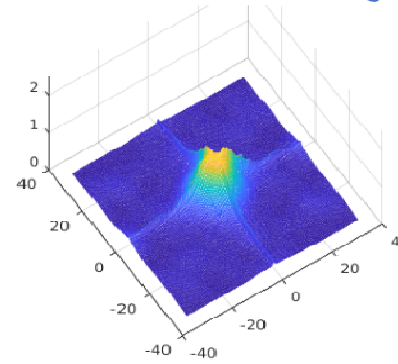
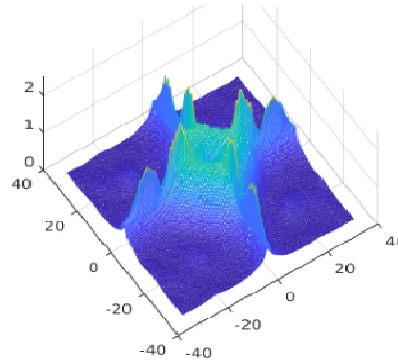
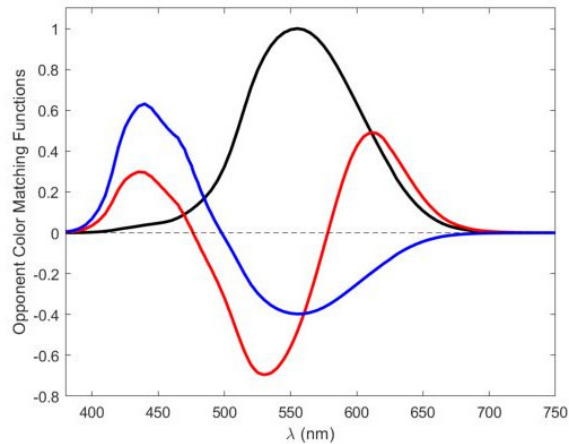
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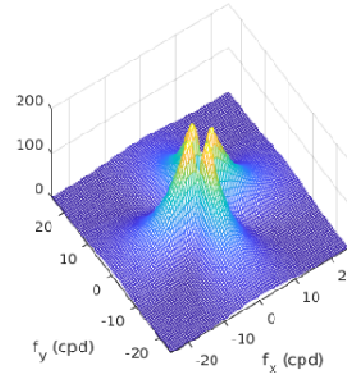


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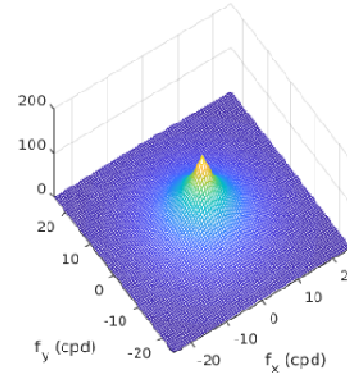


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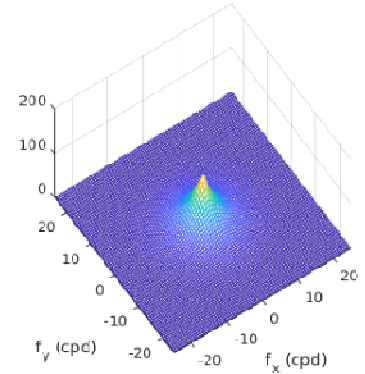
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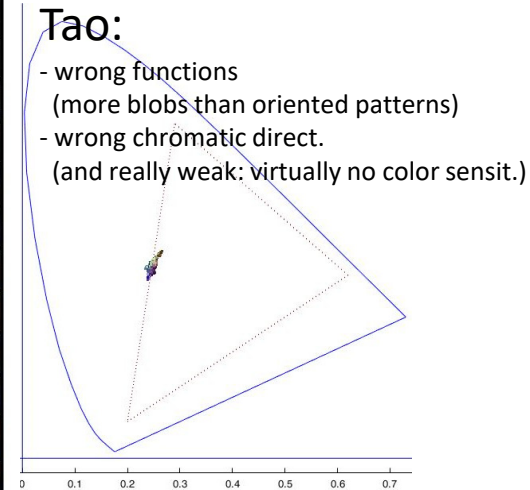
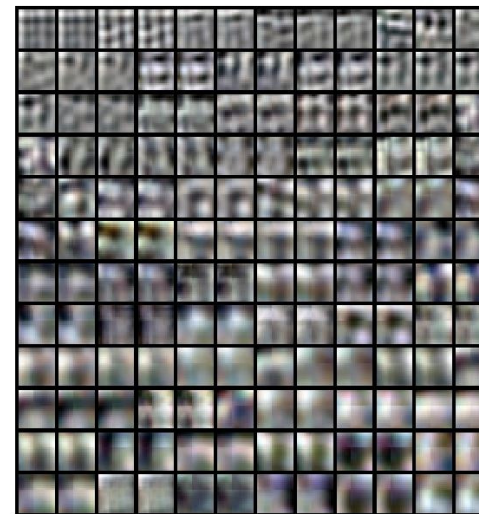
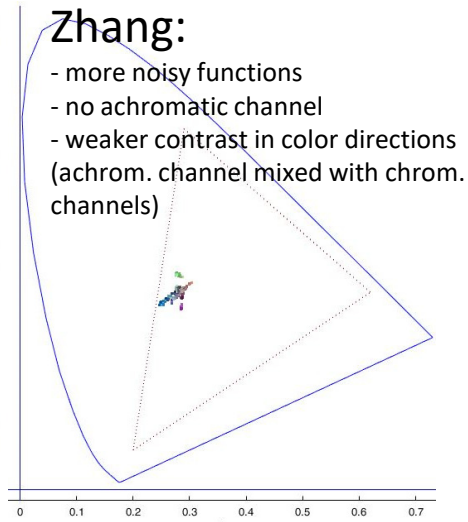
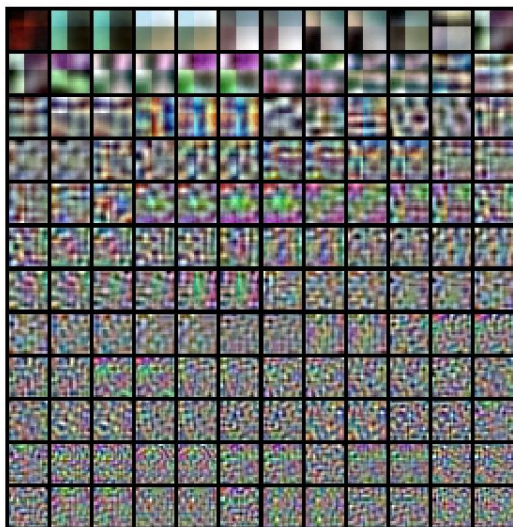
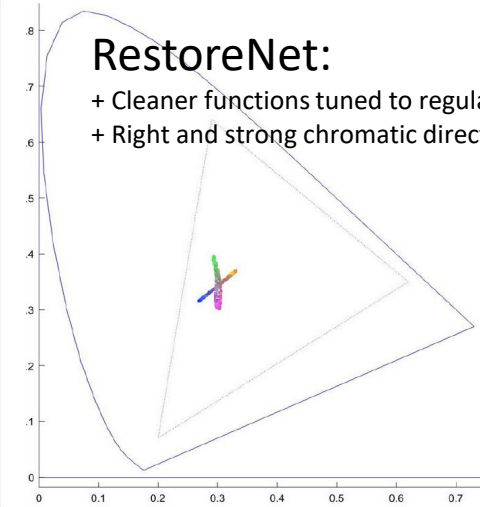
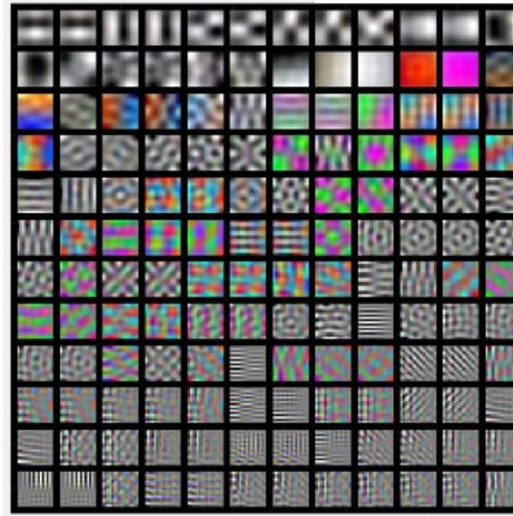
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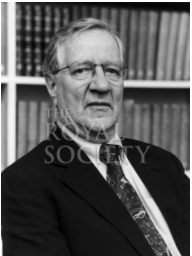
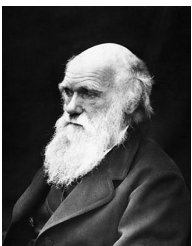
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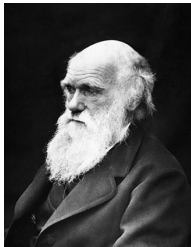


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Systems neuroscience seeks explanations for how the brain implements a wide variety of perceptual, cognitive and motor tasks. Conversely, artificial intelligence attempts to design computational systems based on the tasks they will have to solve. In artificial neural networks, the three components specified by design are the **objective functions**, the **learning rules** and the **architectures**. With the growing success of deep learning, which utilizes brain-inspired architectures, these three designed components have increasingly become central to how we model, engineer and optimize complex artificial learning systems. Here we argue that a greater focus on these components would also benefit systems neuroscience. We give examples of how this optimization-based framework can drive theoretical and experimental progress in neuroscience. We contend that this principled perspective on systems neuroscience will help to generate more rapid progress.



- * CNN brightness & color illusions seem to come from error min.

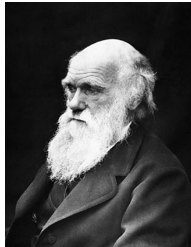
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* Illustors in humans may come from error in too! } Arik & Li 1992
} Laparra & Melo 15

* Caution with blind OVER-fitting: Martinez & McLo 2019

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