

Self-Motion Processing in Humans from Psychophysics to High Density Electrical Mapping

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Talk Overview

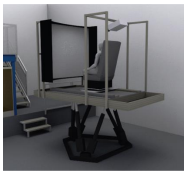
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Self-motion

- Self-motion
 - Walking
 - Driving
- Cues for Self-motion
 - Visual
 - Vestibular
 - Somatosensory
 - Etc.



Inertial (vestibular)

- Otoliths
 - Linear acceleration
- Semi-circular Canals
 - Rotational velocity
- Function
 - Eye movements
 - Heading
- Disorders
 - Vertigo
 - Motion sickness
 - Falls



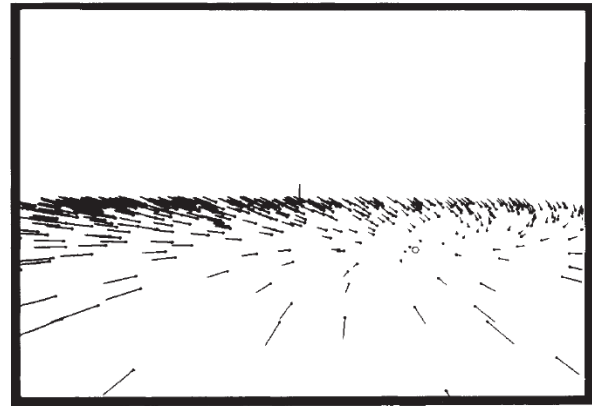
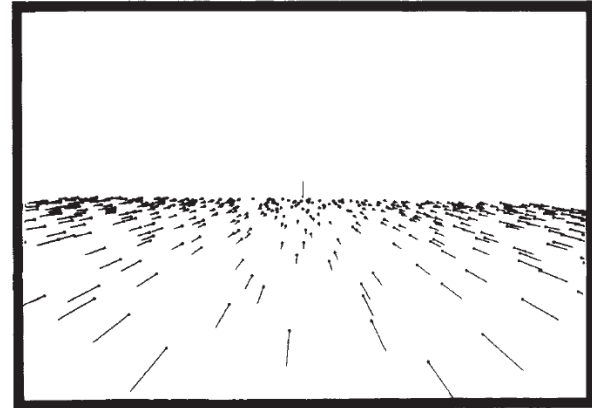
Optic flow

Behavioural

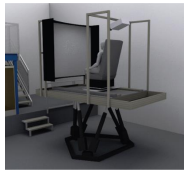
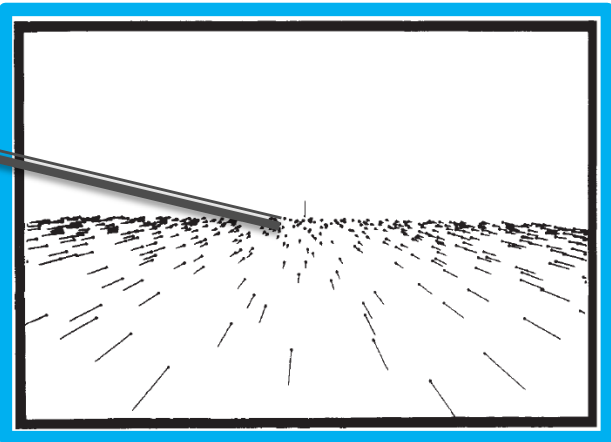
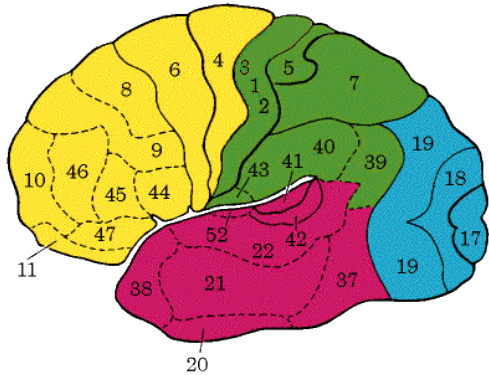
- Relative distance perception
- Heading

Neurophysiology

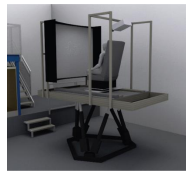
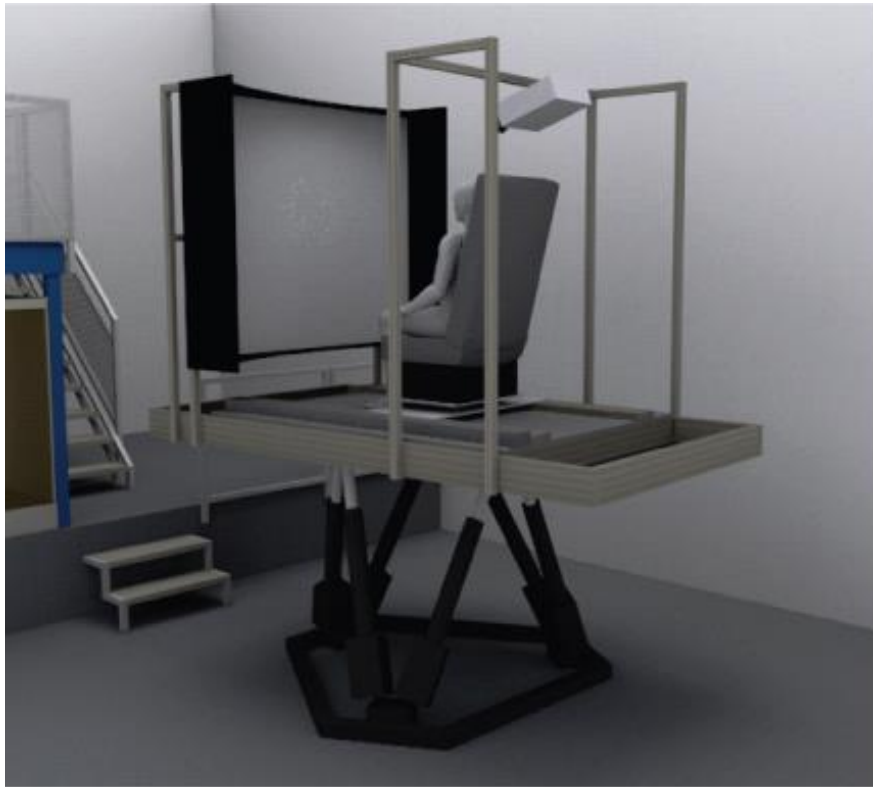
- Vection
 - hFMRI (MT+)
- Heading
 - MST



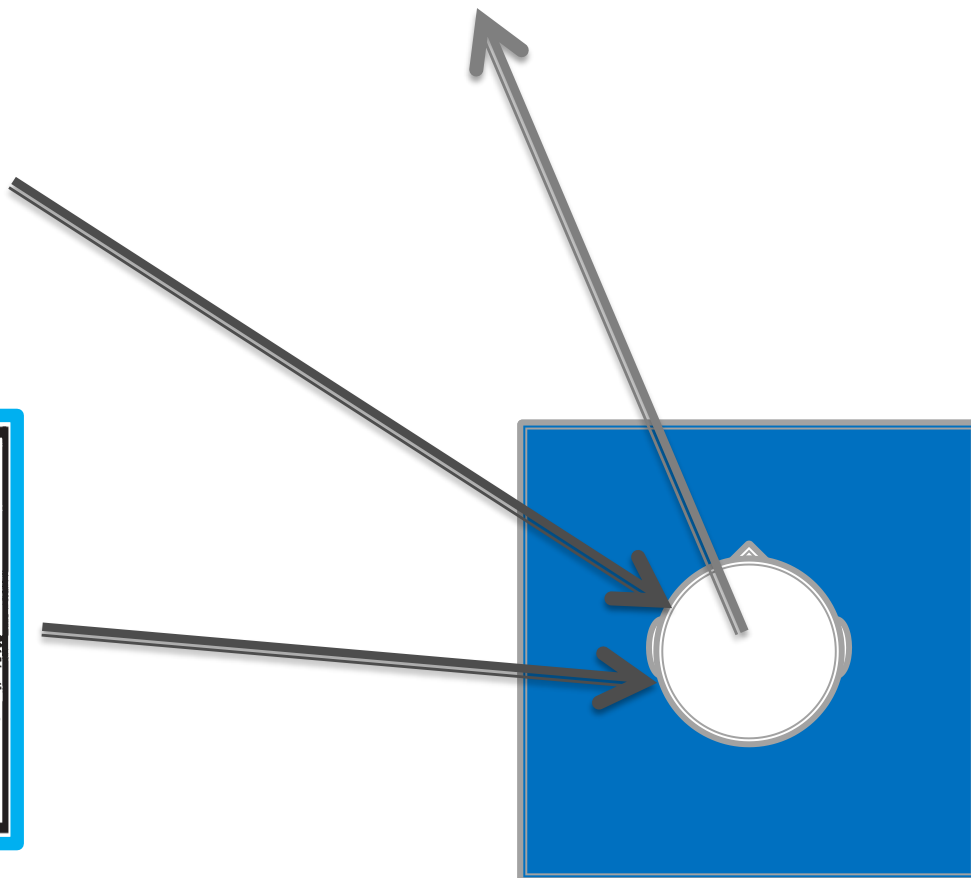
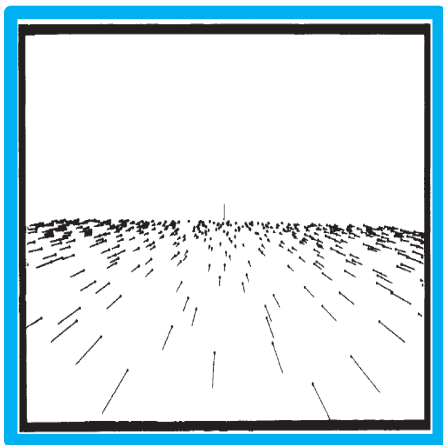
Combination of Senses



Virtual reality setup and stimuli

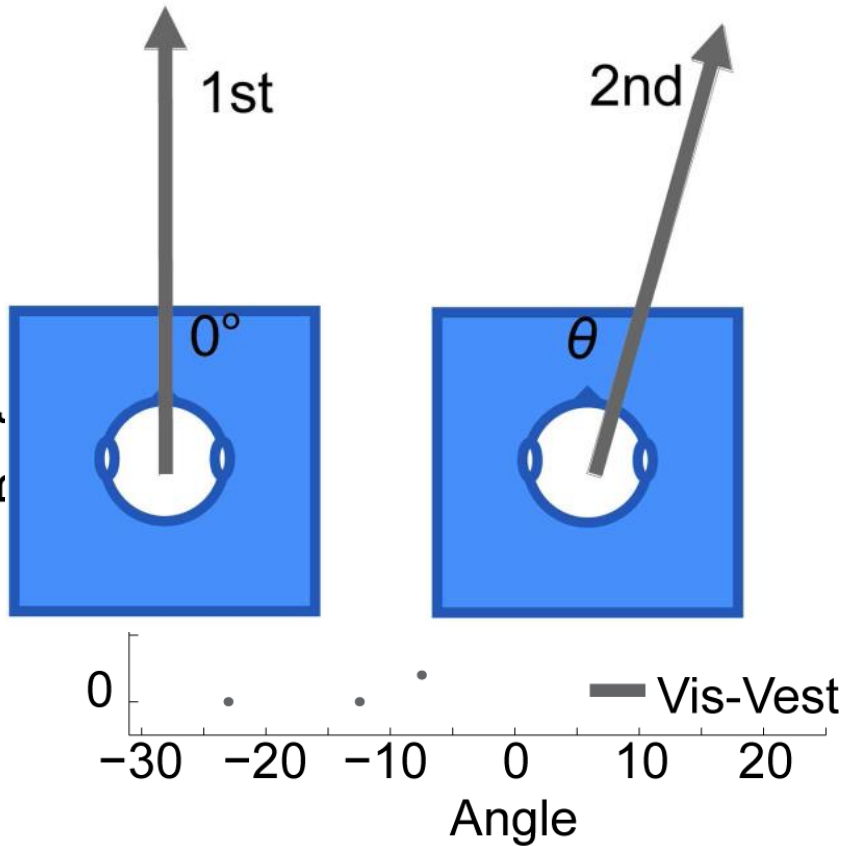


Visual-Vestibular Integration for Heading

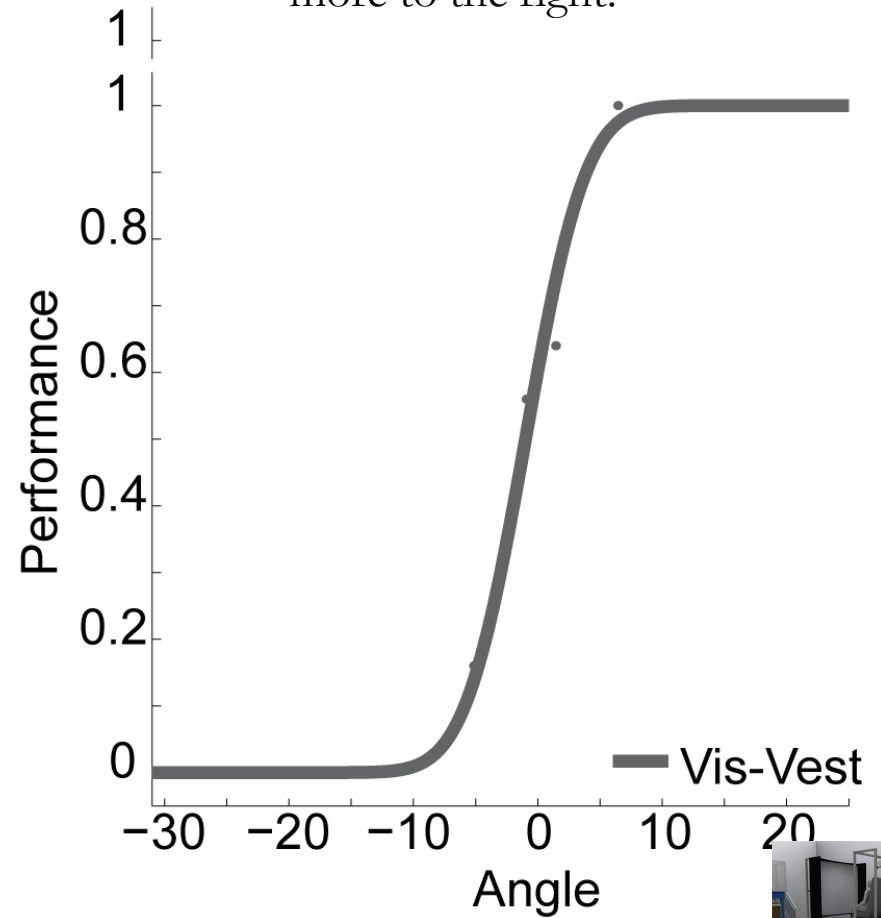


Reliability

Congruent

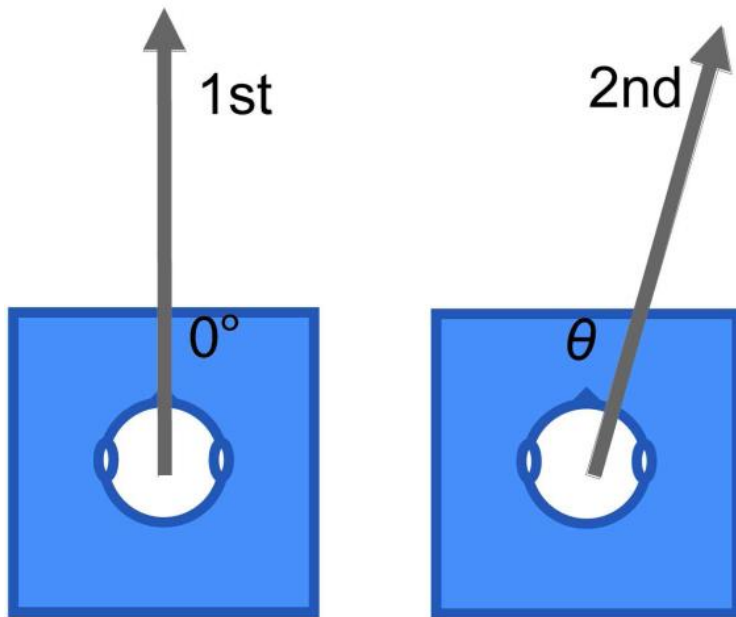


Was the second movement more to the right?



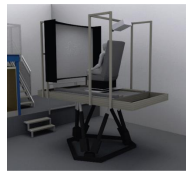
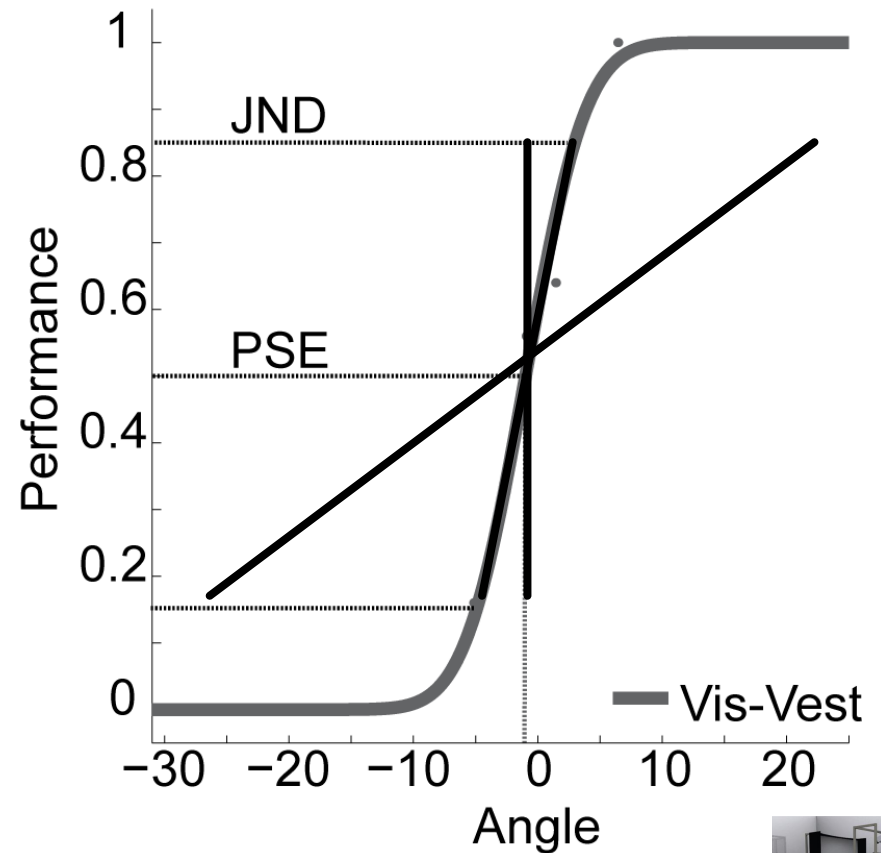
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Just Noticeable Difference (JND)

Was the second movement more to the right?



Information Conflict

■ Conditions

■ Visual

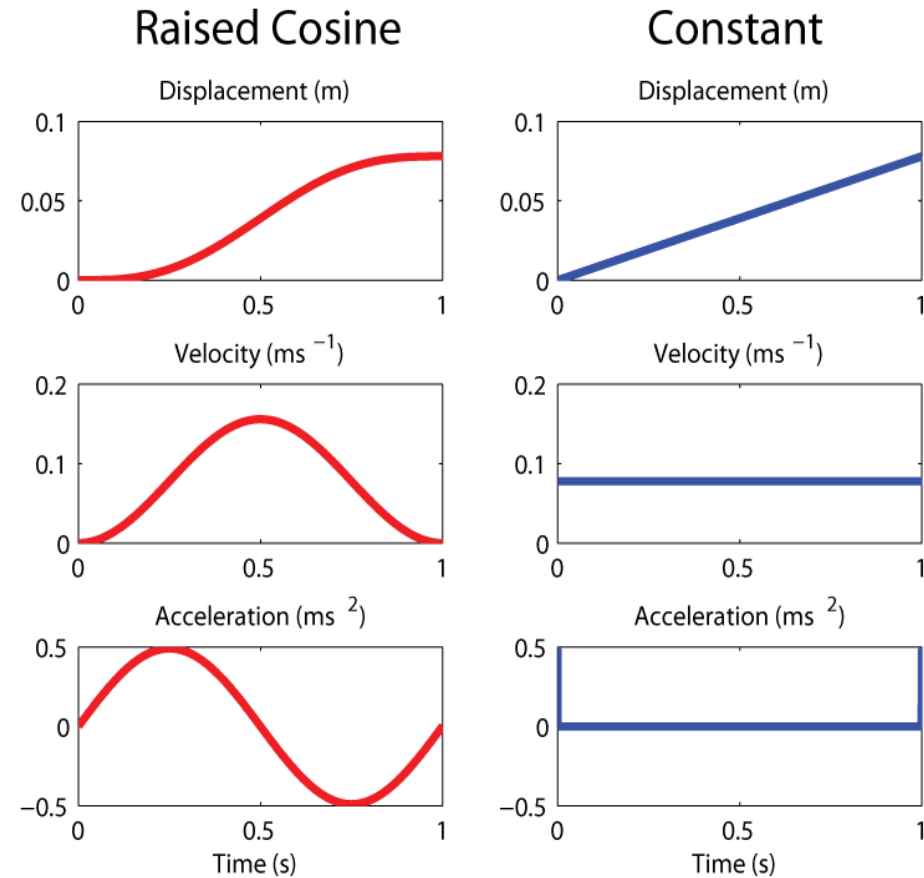
- Raised cosine
- Constant velocity

■ Vestibular

- Raised cosine

■ Visual-vestibular

- Raised cosine velocity
- Constant velocity (conflict)

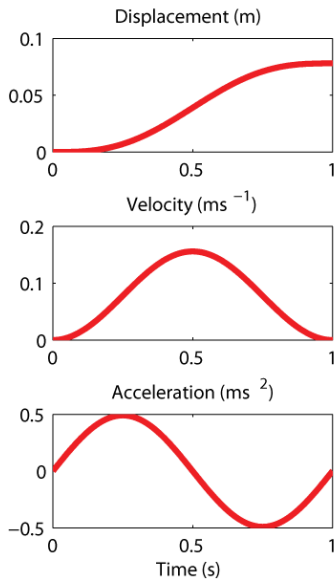


Visual motion Profile and heading estimation

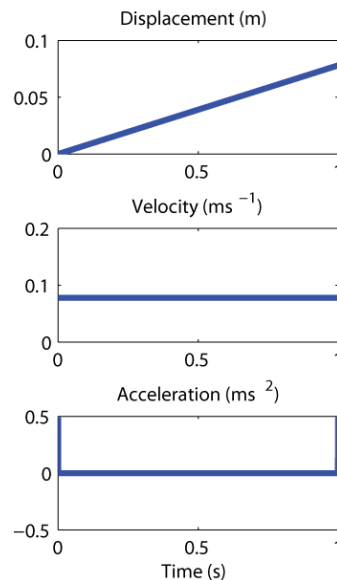
Objective

To investigate if the velocity and acceleration play a role in visual heading discrimination

Raised Cosine



Constant



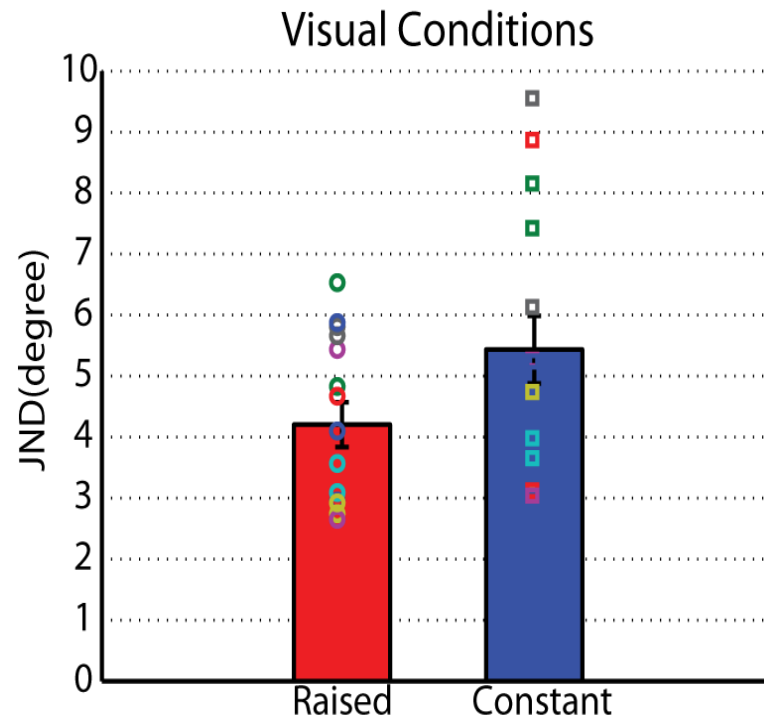
PREDICTION 1

The constant velocity profile will give more reliable results as it is highly predictable

PREDICTION 2

The more “natural” raised cosine profile is more reliable as we are more commonly exposed to it

Results



The raised cosine profile gives more reliable estimates of visual heading

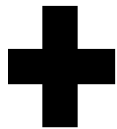
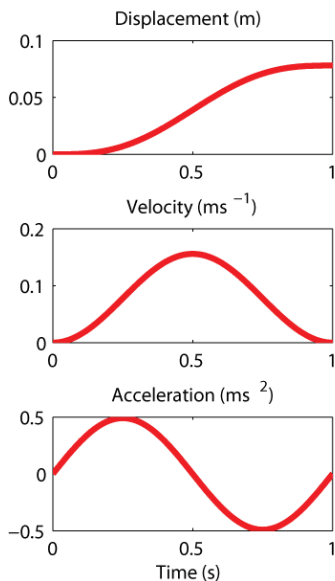
Predictions for the discrepant condition

Objective

To investigate the combination of visual and vestibular information under different visual motion profile conditions

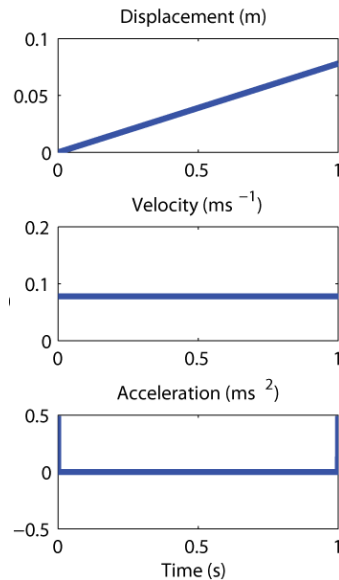
Vestibular

Raised Cosine



Visual

Constant



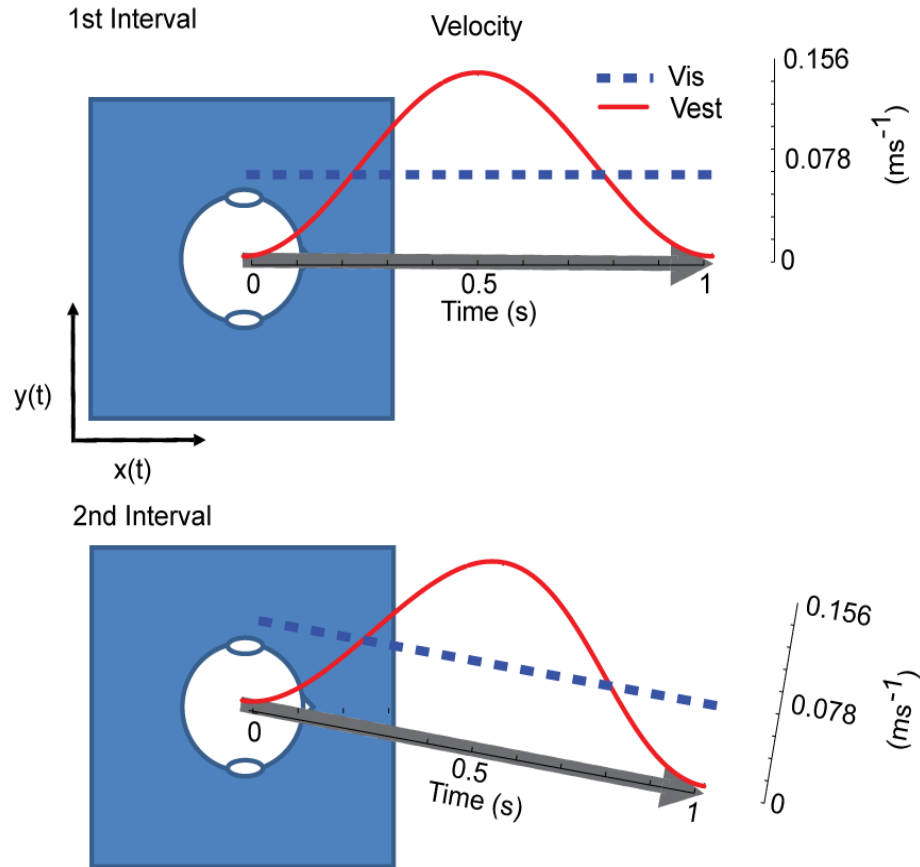
PREDICTION 1

The visual and vestibular information do not combine in an optimal fashion

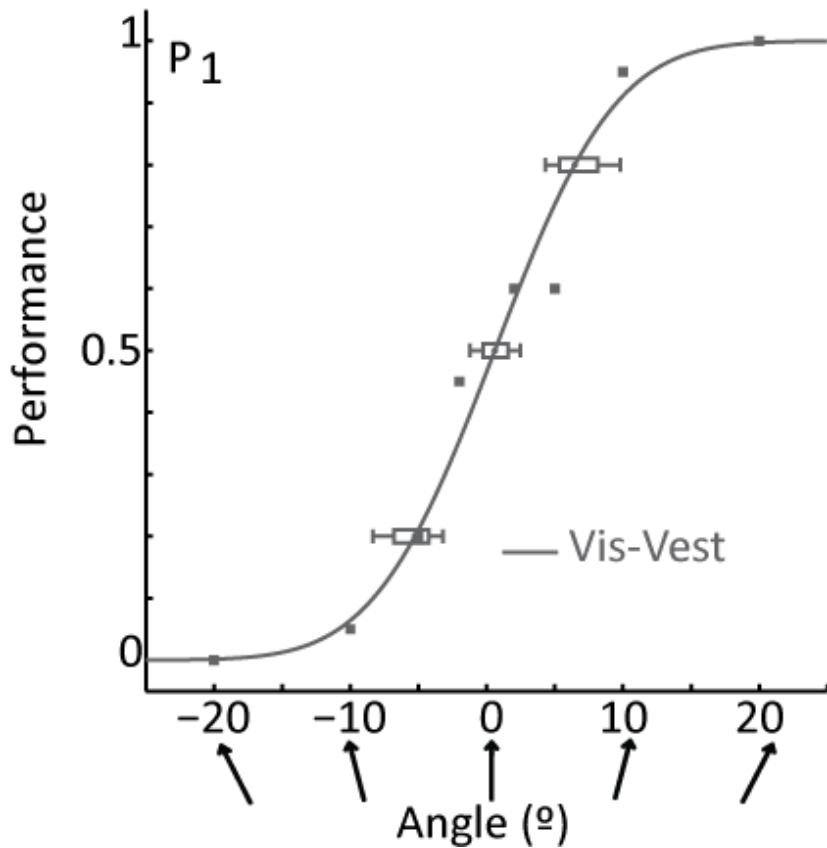
PREDICTION 2

Combination of senses is not dependent on the motion profile

Effect of visual motion profile on heading discrimination

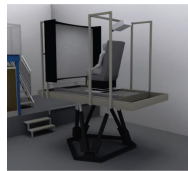


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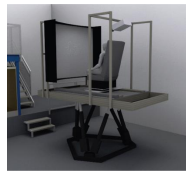
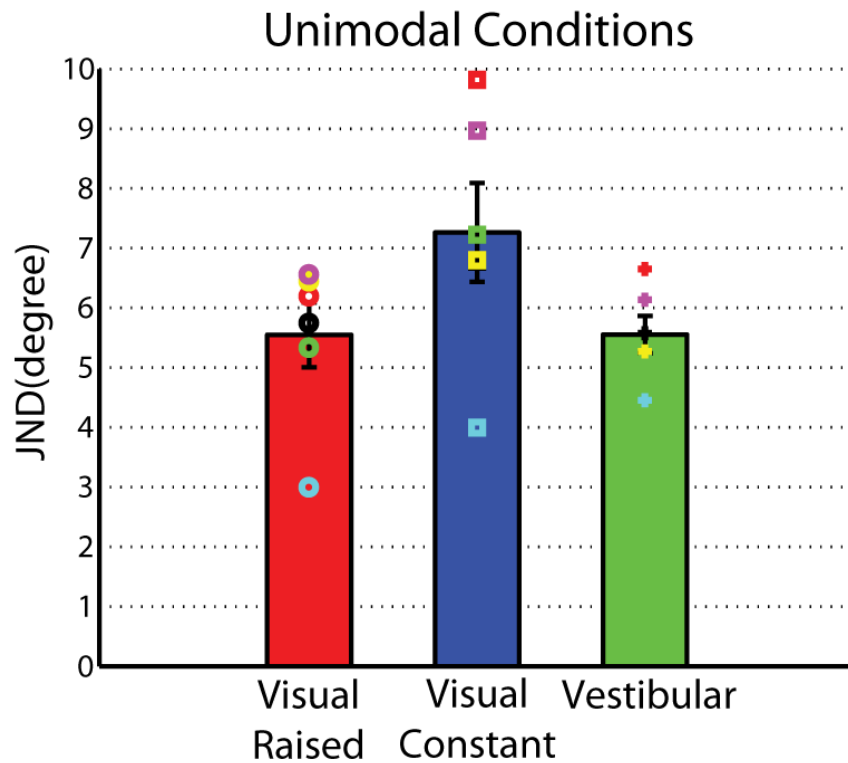


$$JND_{Vis-Vest} \leq \min(JND_{Vis}, JND_{Vest})$$

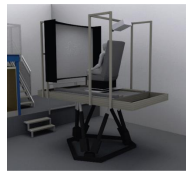
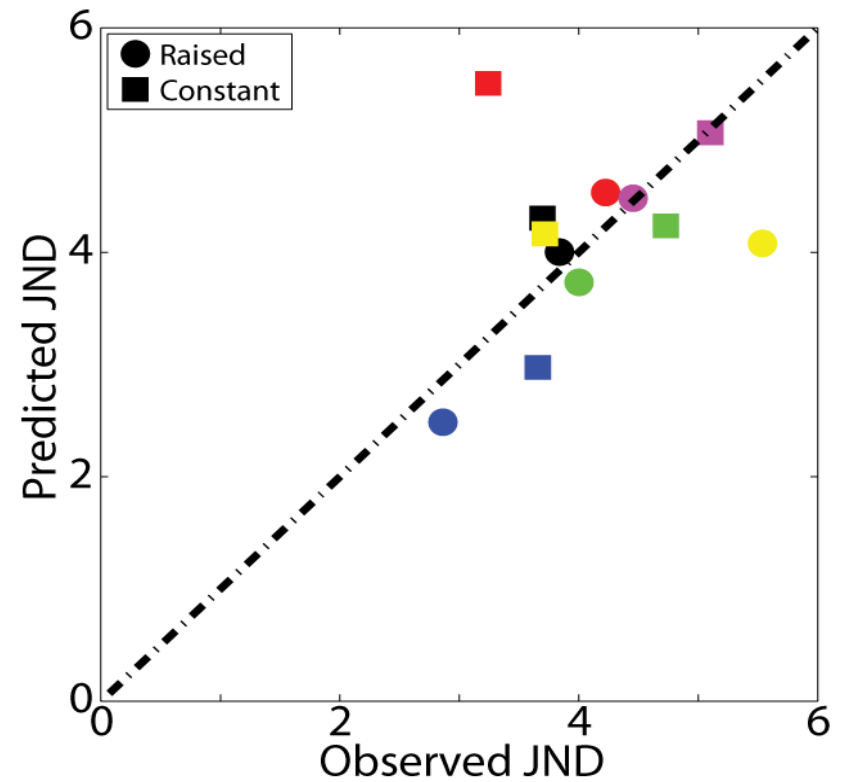
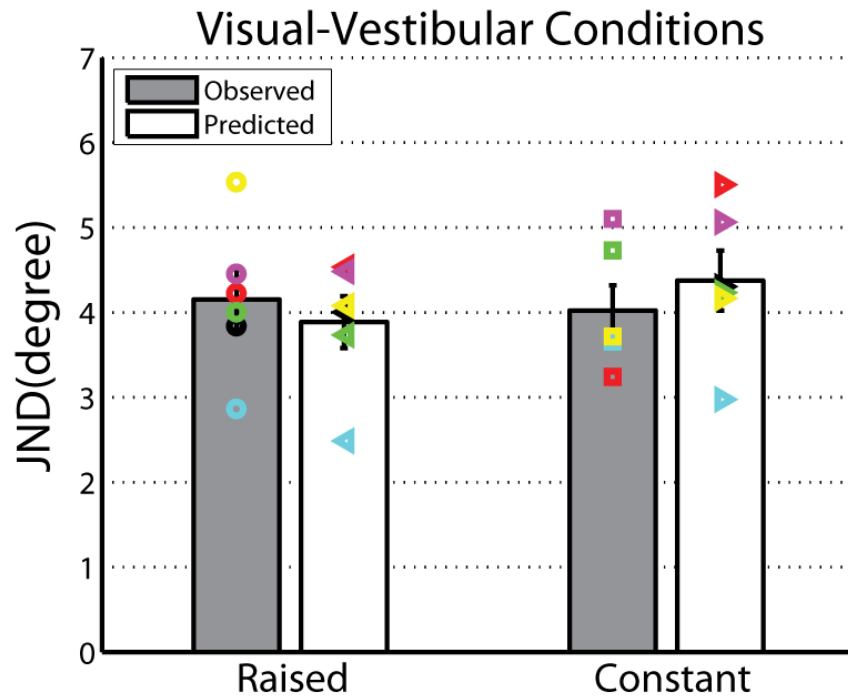
$$JND_{Vis-Vest} = \sqrt{\frac{JND_{Vis}^2 JND_{Vest}^2}{JND_{Vis}^2 + JND_{Vest}^2}}$$



Unimodal results



Multisensory Results



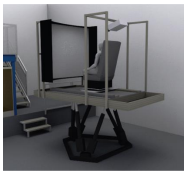
Conclusion

- Visual motion is not just a snap shot but an accumulation of information
 - The more natural profile yielded the more accurate heading discrimination
- Visual and Vestibular cues combine in an optimal fashion even when there is an information conflict

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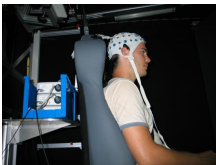
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Neuronal Correlates of Self-Motion

- Behavioural tasks
 - Open loop
 - Closed loop
- Imaging techniques
 - fMRI
 - MEG
 - TMS
 - Imaging in non-human primates



Benefits of using EEG

- Systems level snapshot
- Attention deployment
- Temporal resolution
- Light weight
- Real world environment
- Online feedback loop
- ...



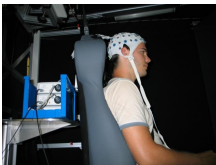
The cusp of a wave

HARDWARE

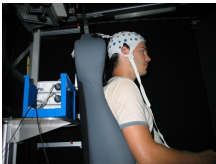
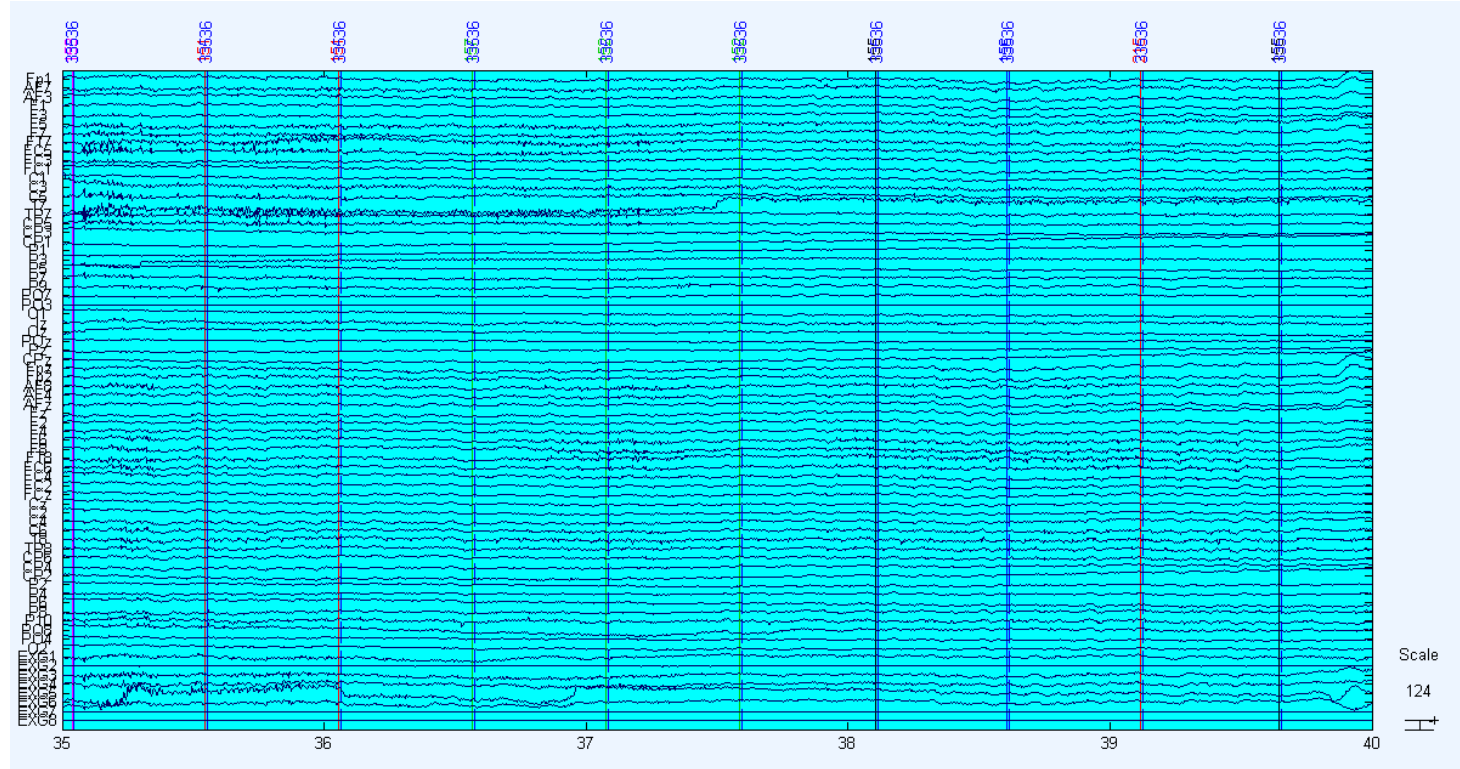
- Advances in motion platform design
- Advances in electrodes design

SOFTWARE

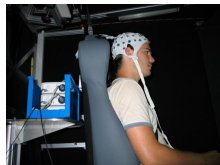
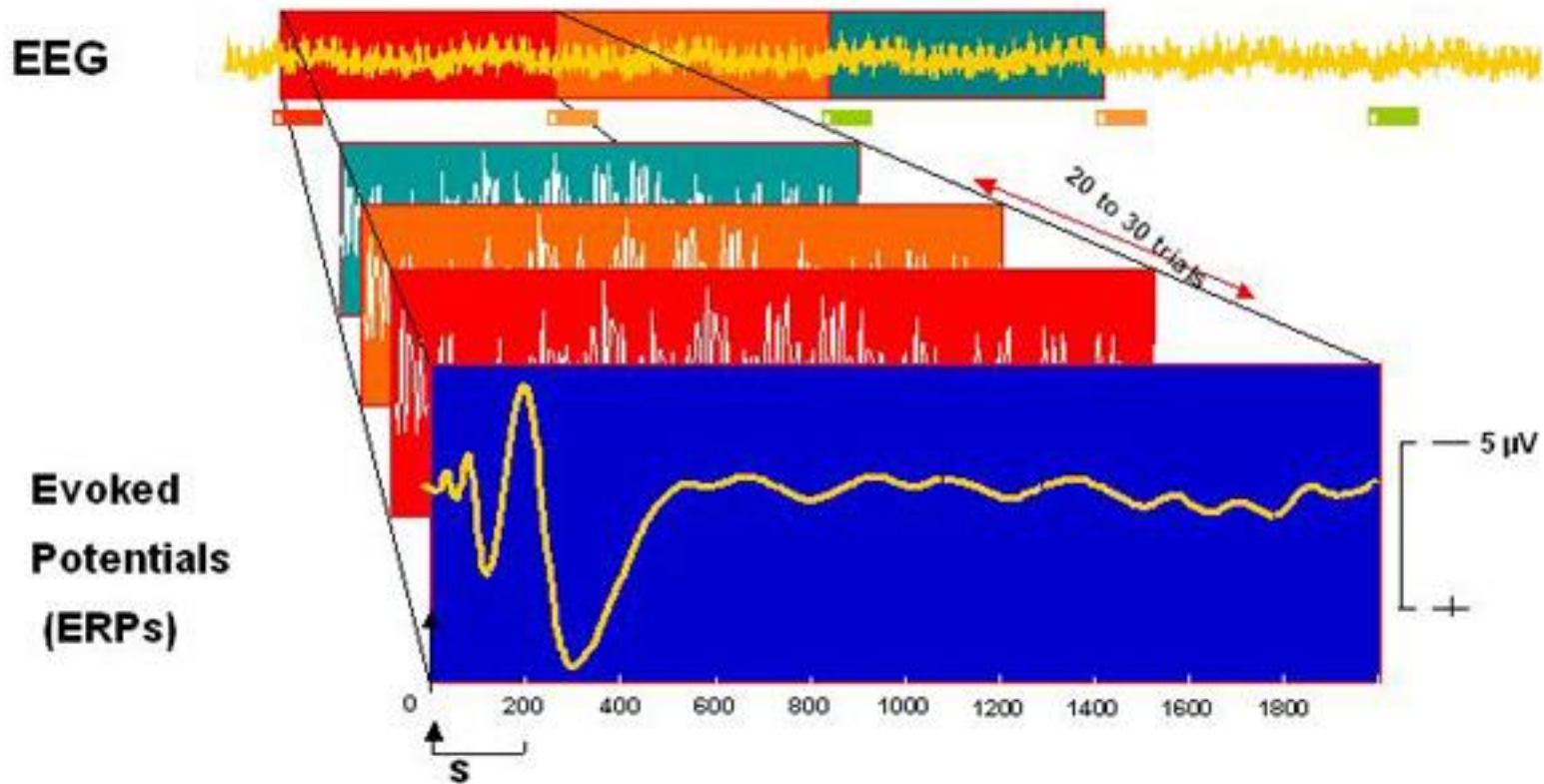
- Advanced analysis techniques
 - Independent Component Analysis
 - Source localisation techniques
 - Mobile Brain Imaging (MoBi – Scott Makeig)
- Individual data analysis
 - Bootstrapped Statistics



Electroencephalography (EEG)

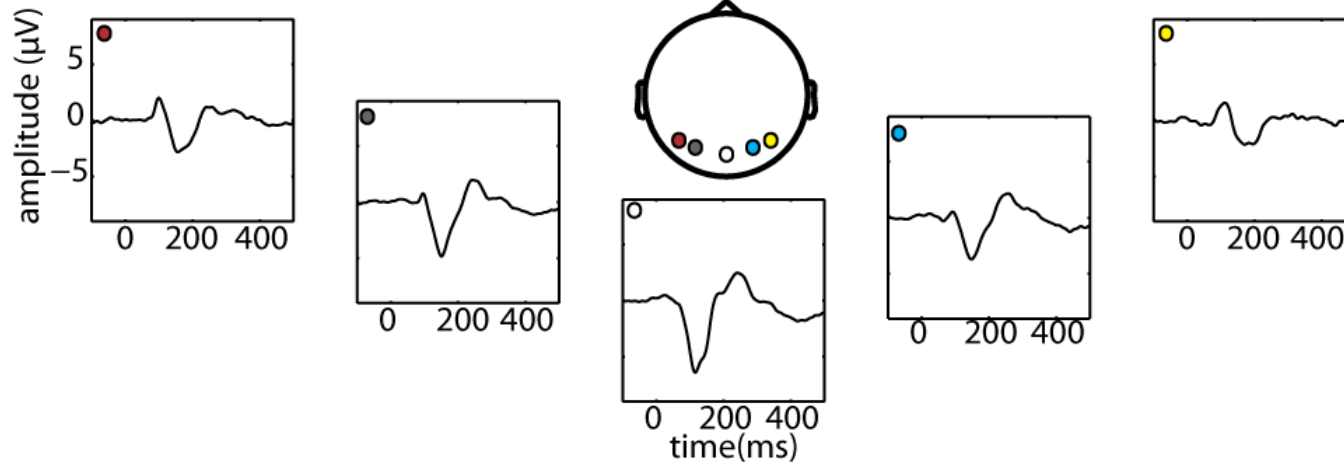


Event-Related Potential (ERPs)



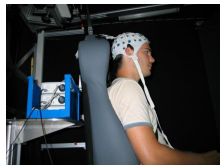
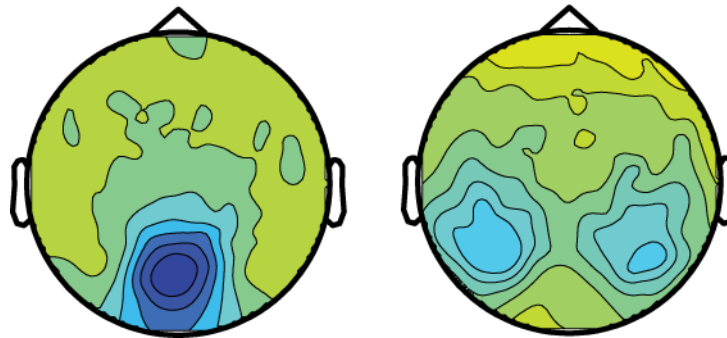
Electroencephalography (EEG)

Visual Evoked Potential



105-115ms

180-190ms



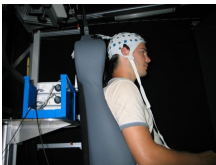
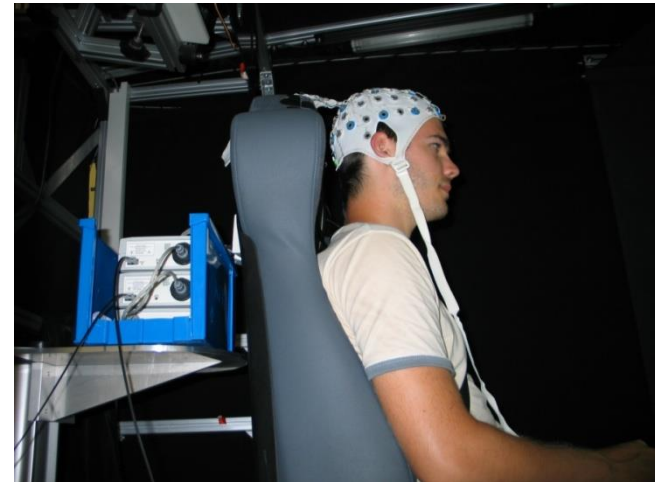
EEG on a Stewart Platform

Experiment I

- EEG on the platform

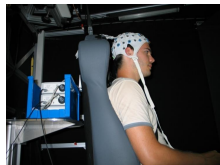
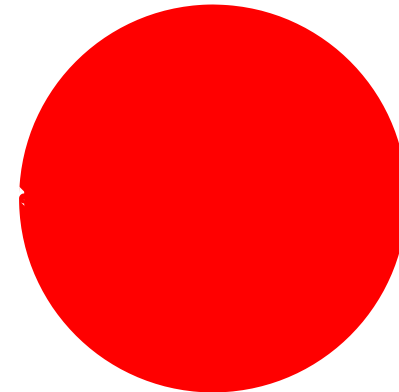
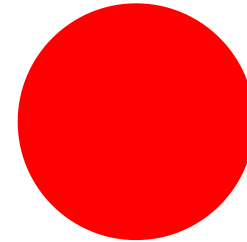
Experiment II

- Vestibular P3



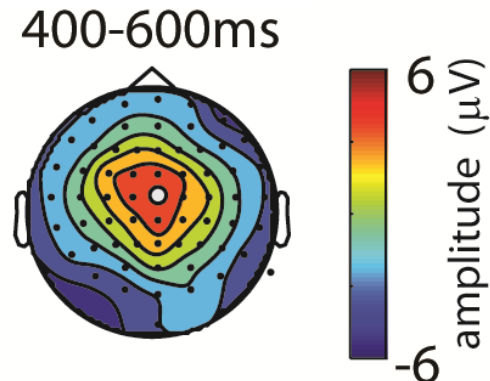
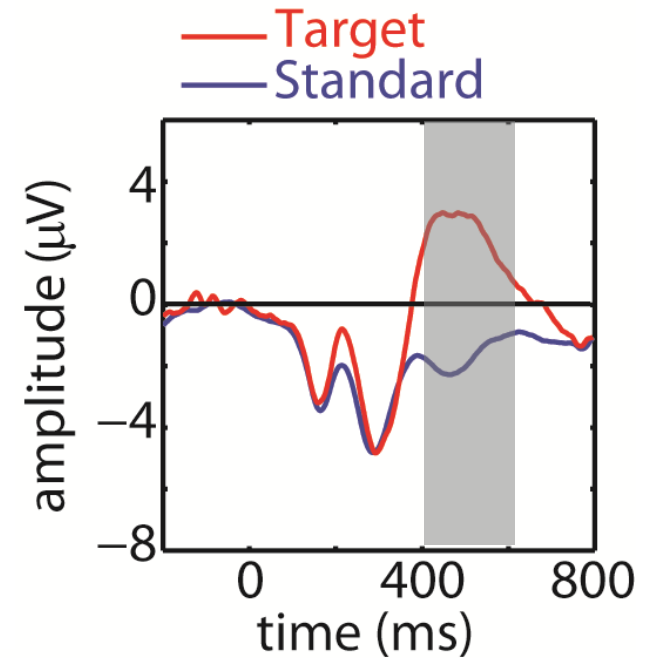
Control experiment

- Can we get an EEG signal while moving people?
- Visual P3 paradigm
 - 80% Standard
 - 20% Target
- Four levels of motion
 - Stationary
 - Idle
 - Slow 0.5 hertz at 0.25mG
 - Fast 0.5 hertz at 0.75mG

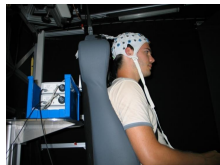


The Oddball Paradigm

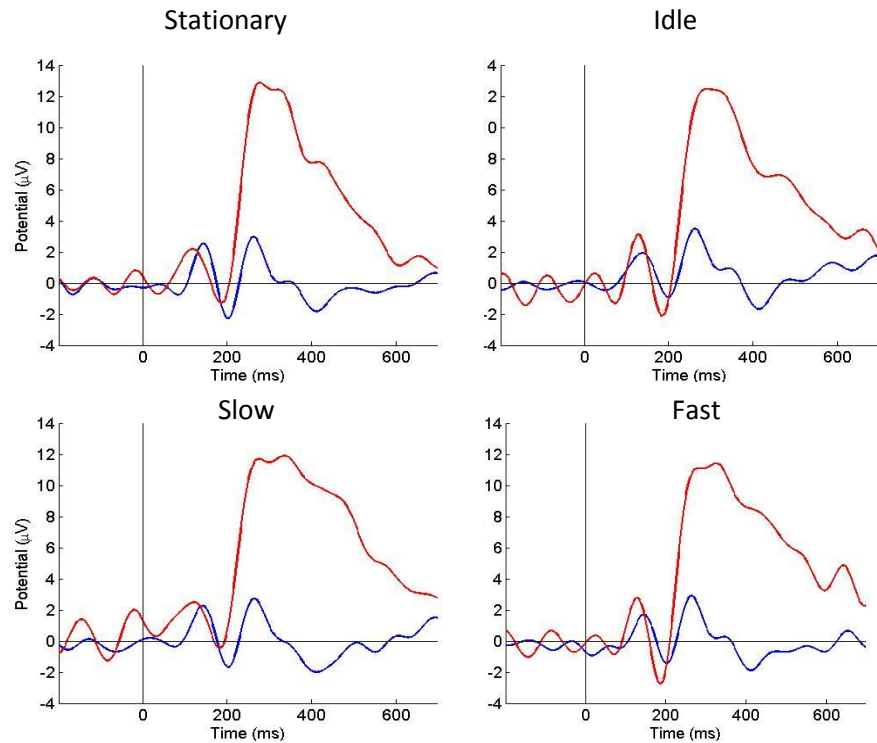
- Change detection is essential to interact with our environment
- Robust response elicited for visual, auditory, somatosensory and olfactory stimuli



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Results - Control Experiment

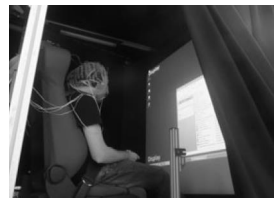
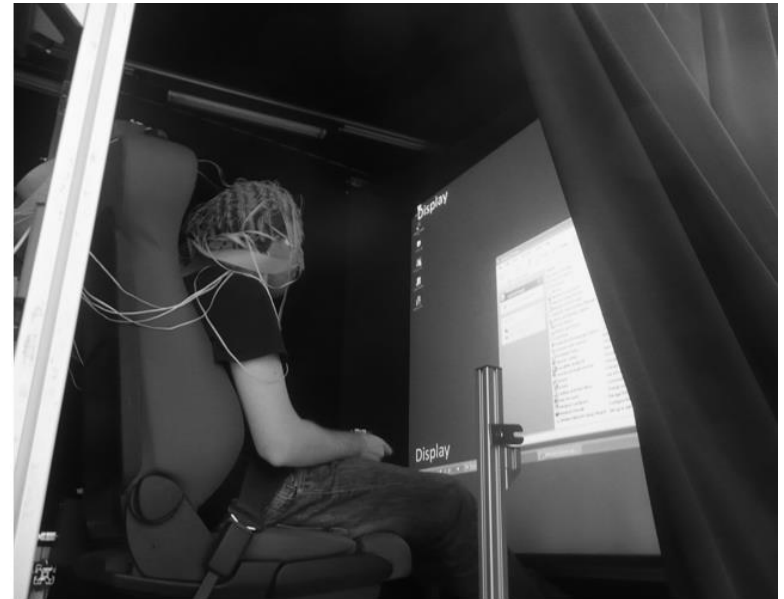


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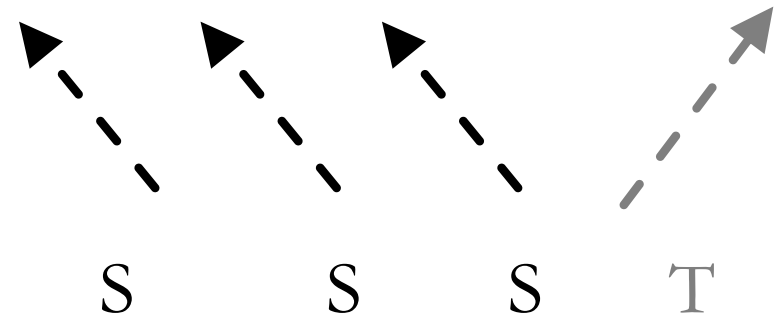
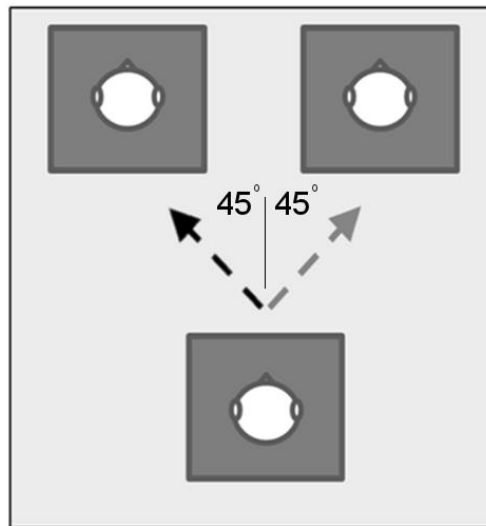
- We can conduct EEG on the motion platform

Vestibular Oddball

- Vestibular Conditions
 - Diagonal Left Target
 - Diagonal Right Target
- Vestibular P3 paradigm
 - 80% Standard (320 sweeps)
 - 20% Target (80 sweeps)
- 15 participants
- 128 scalp channels



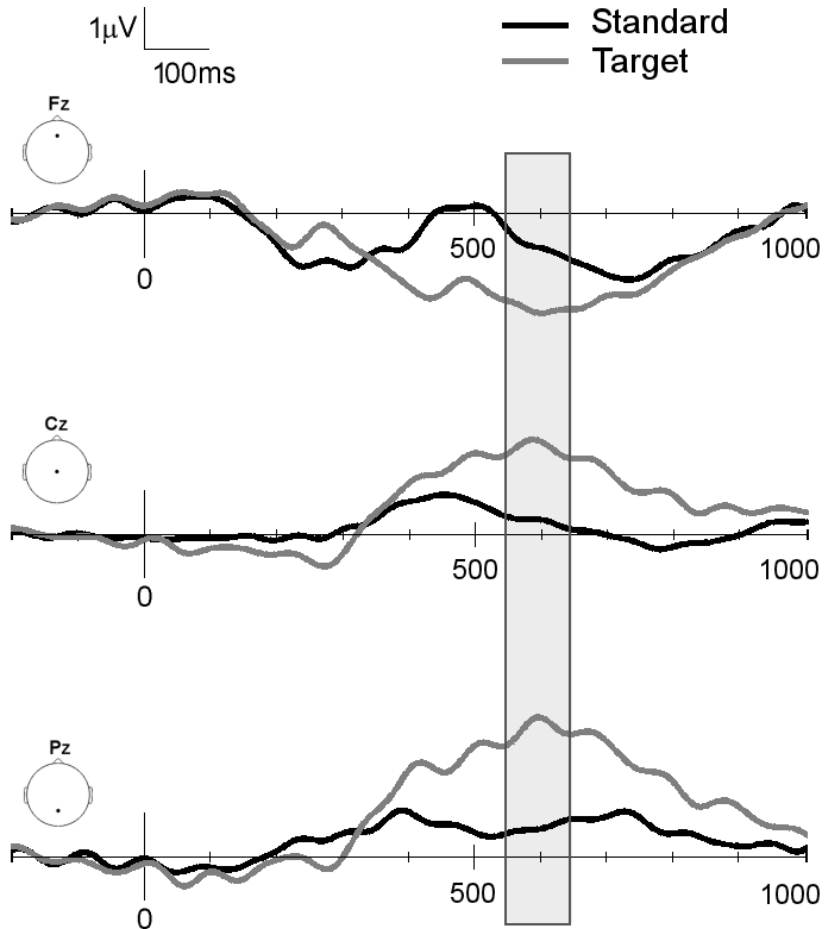
Procedure



A neuronal marker for vestibular change detection



Results- Vestibular P3

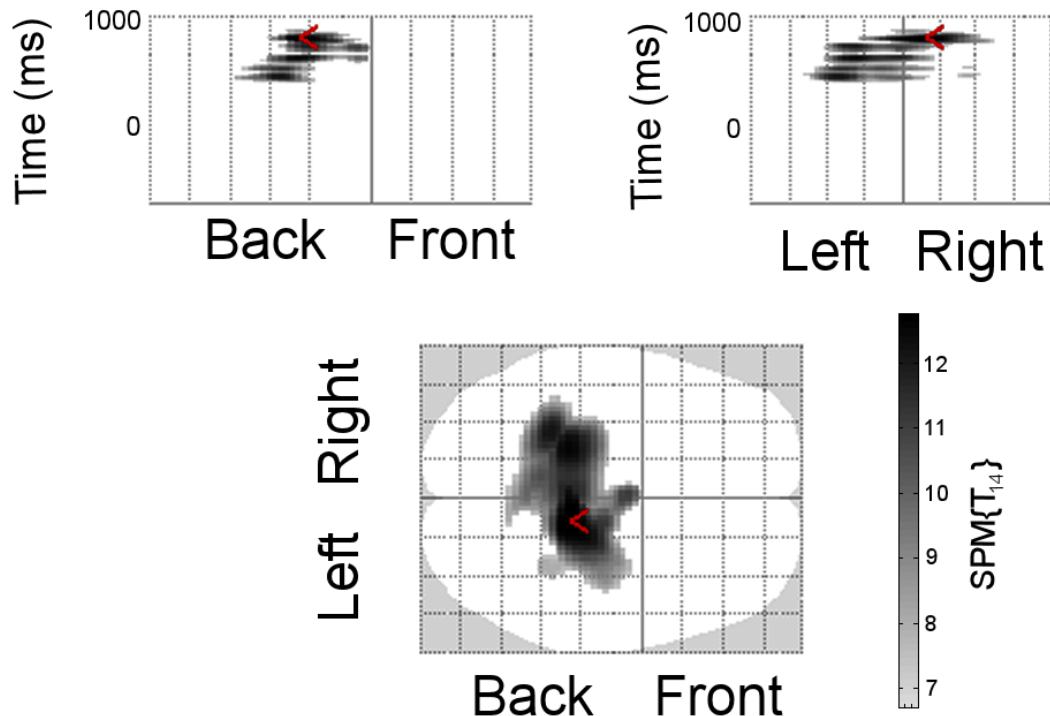


- Statistical difference between the standard and target



P3 distribution

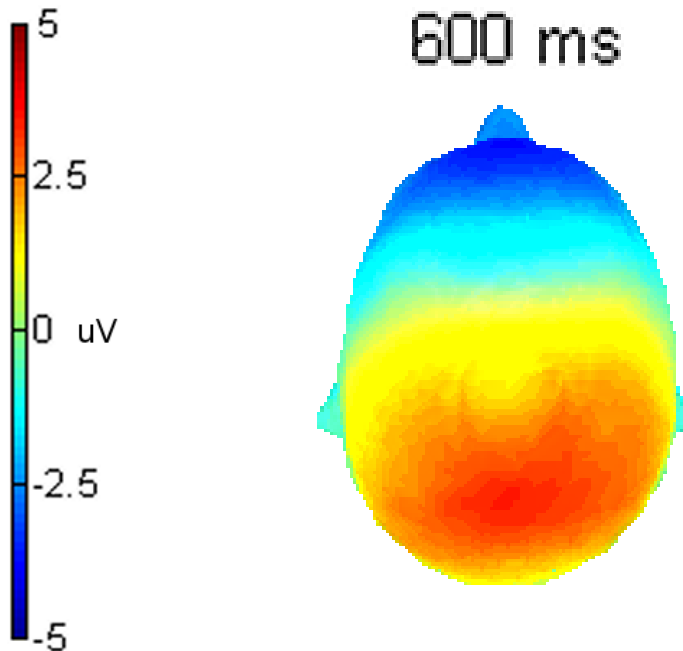
Target vs Standard



Target topographic scalp distribution is similar to the typical P3 distribution for other sensory modalities



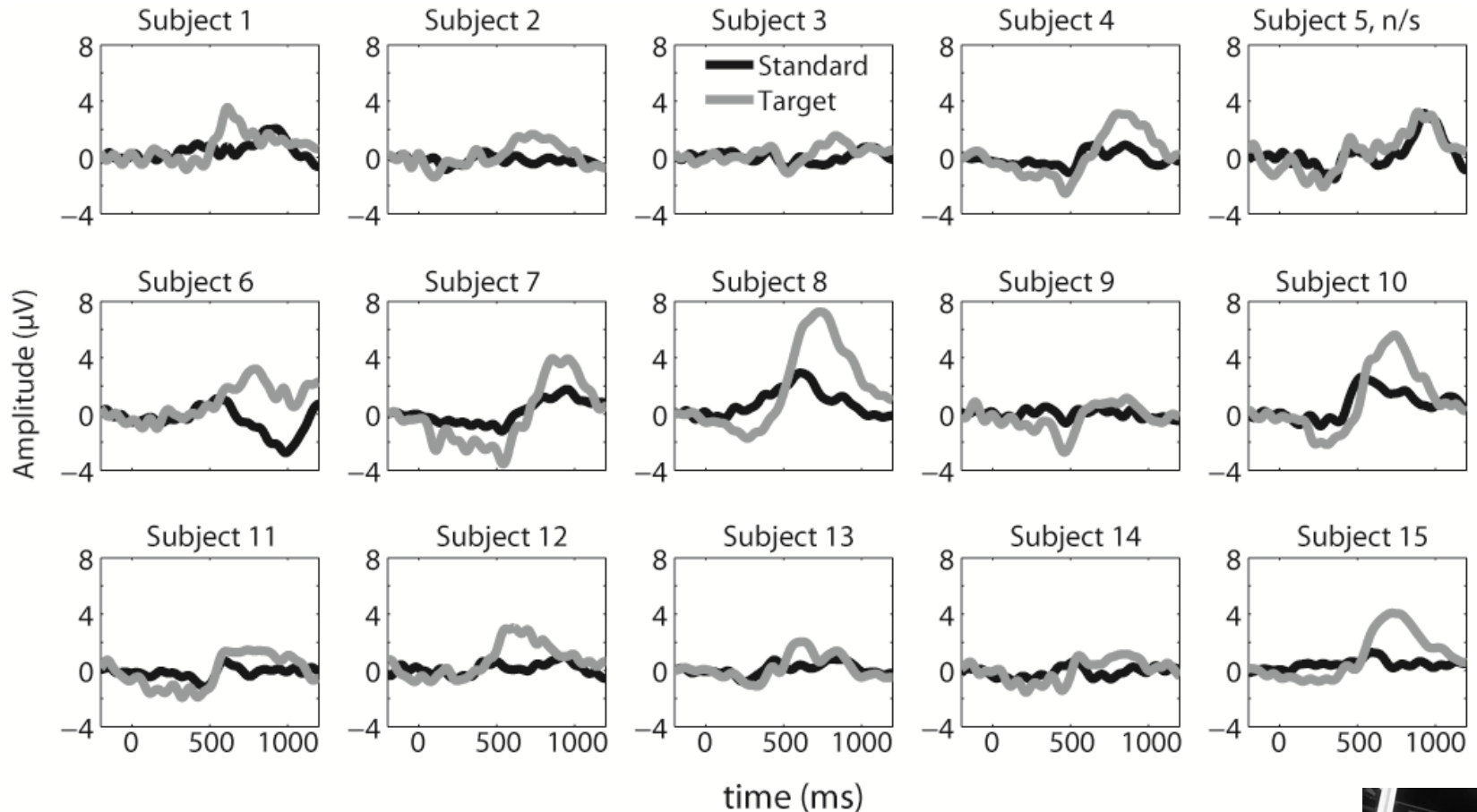
Scalp Distribution



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Individual Participant data



14 of 15 participants exhibited a P3



Summary



- This is the first time vestibular heading change detection has been shown to elicit a P3 component.

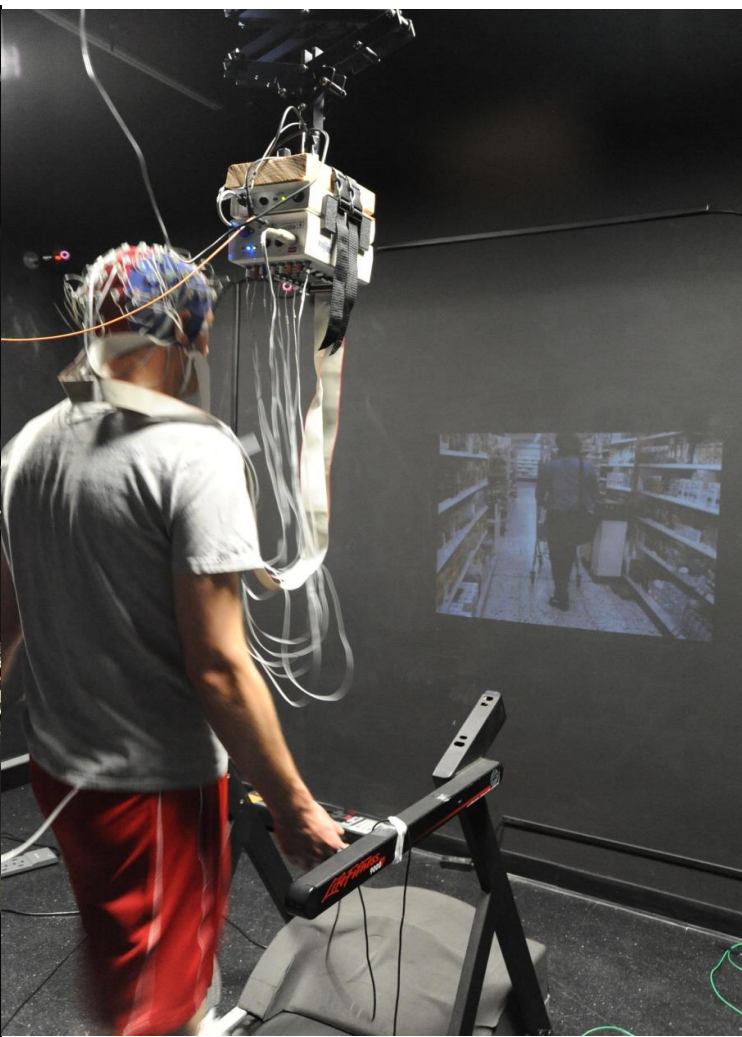
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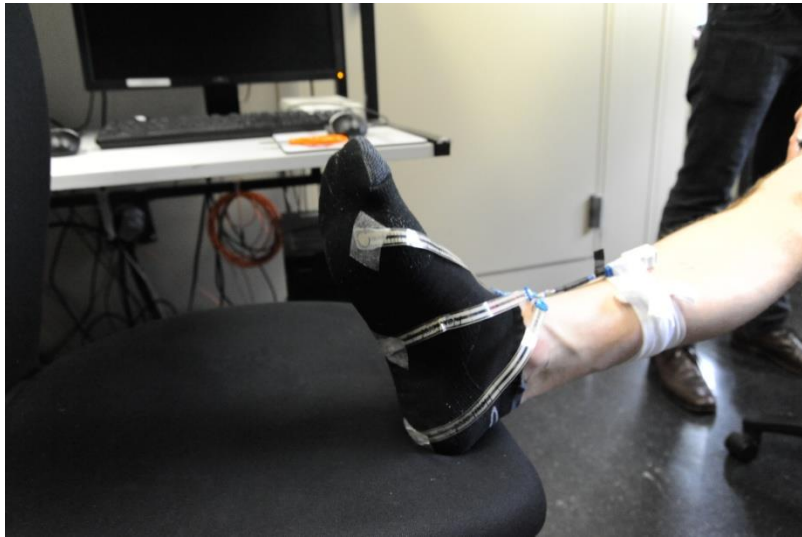
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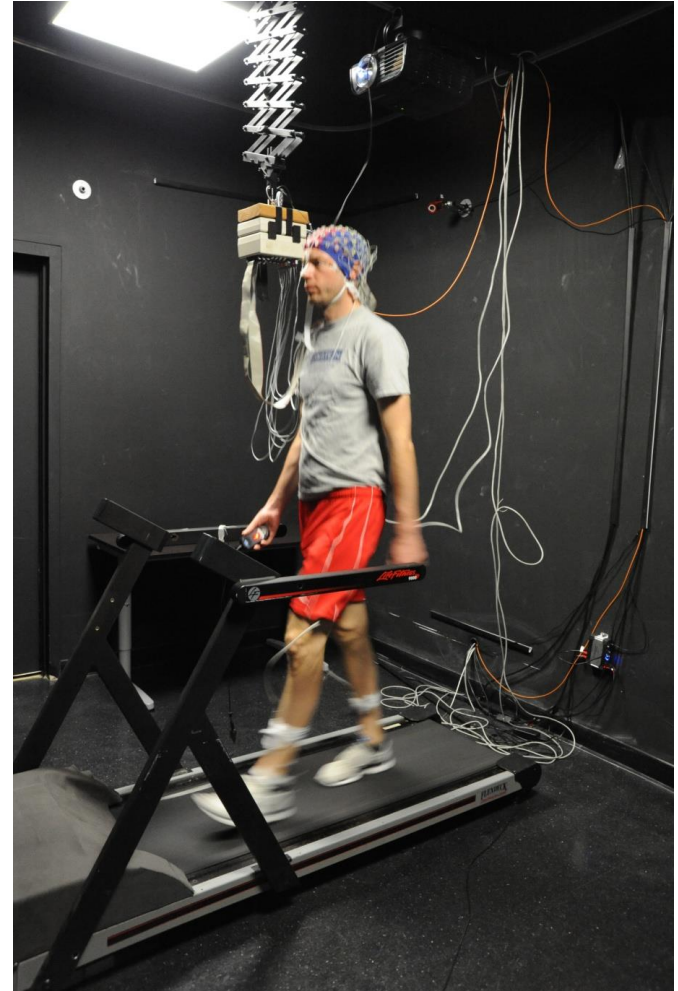
EEG while Walking



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Response Inhibition Task

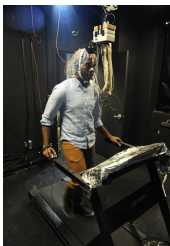


■ Task

- Go/Nogo Response Inhibition Task
- NoGo: repetition of the same picture
- Stimulus presentation rate 1/per sec
- Go/Nogo = 80/20%

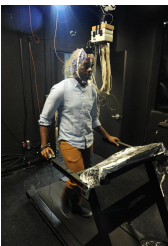
■ Conditions

- Sitting
- Walking Slow (2.4 km/h)
- Walking Fast (5 km/h)



Response Inhibition Task

- Hit:
 - correct response in a *go* trial
 - Correct Rejection:
 - successful withholding of a response in a *nogo* trial
 - False Alarm:
 - Executing a response in a *nogo* trial
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1. Feasible to acquire usable EEG data while walking
 2. Interaction of walking and response inhibition



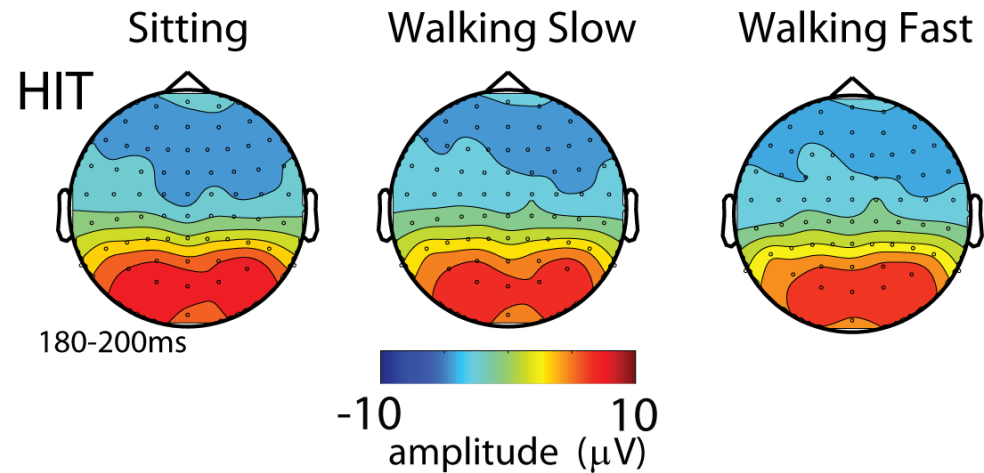
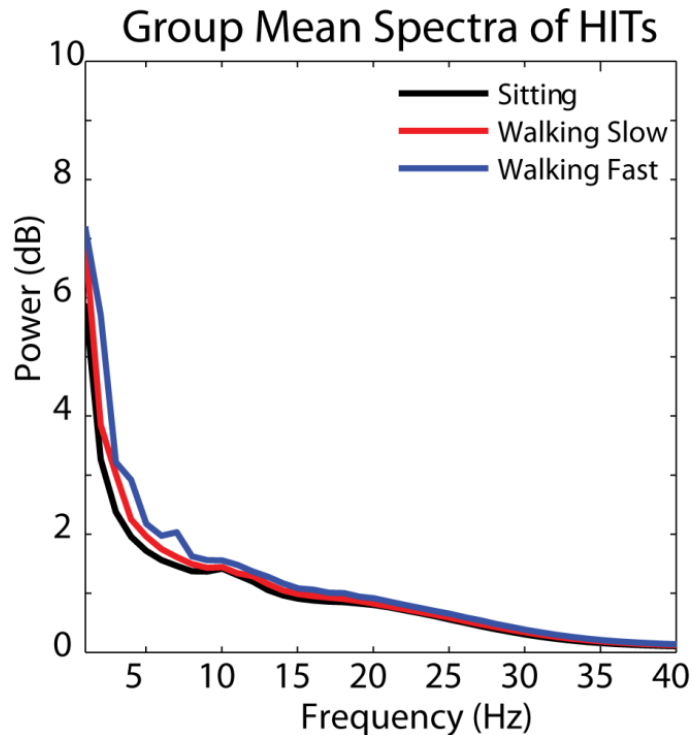
Behavioral and SNR Results



	Sitting	Walking Slow	Walking Fast	p-value
RT in msec	399.1	408.2	401.2	0.53
Hit in %	96.4	98.3	98.5	0.49
CR in %	68.6	70.4	69.4	0.6

	Sitting	Walking Slow	Walking Fast
SNR Hit (dB)	54.8±2.3	53.6±1.6	49.9±2.2
SNR CR (dB)	35.3±2.0	34.0±2.5	32.6±2.2

Results

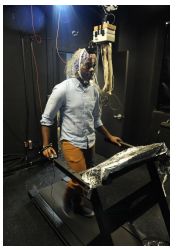
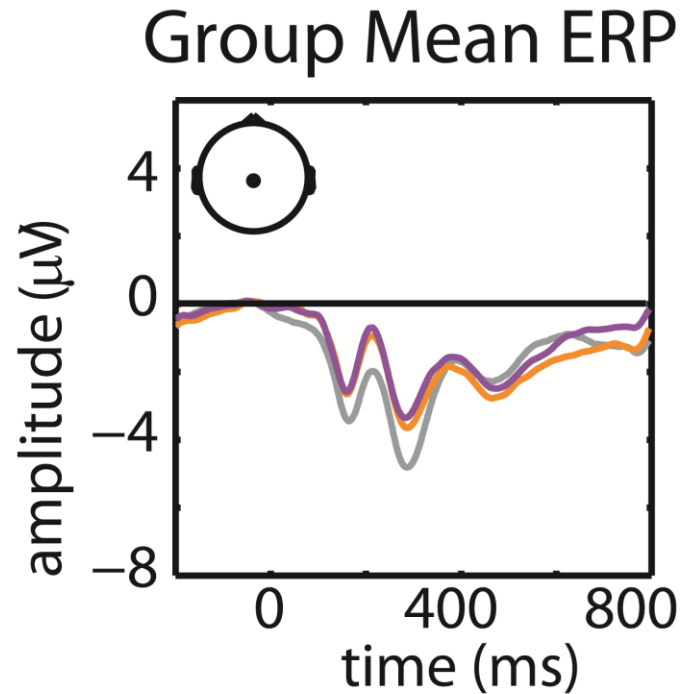


Highly similar early evoked response and power spectrum point to the feasibility of acquiring EEG while walking



Results

HIT
— Sitting
— Walking Slow
— Walking Fast

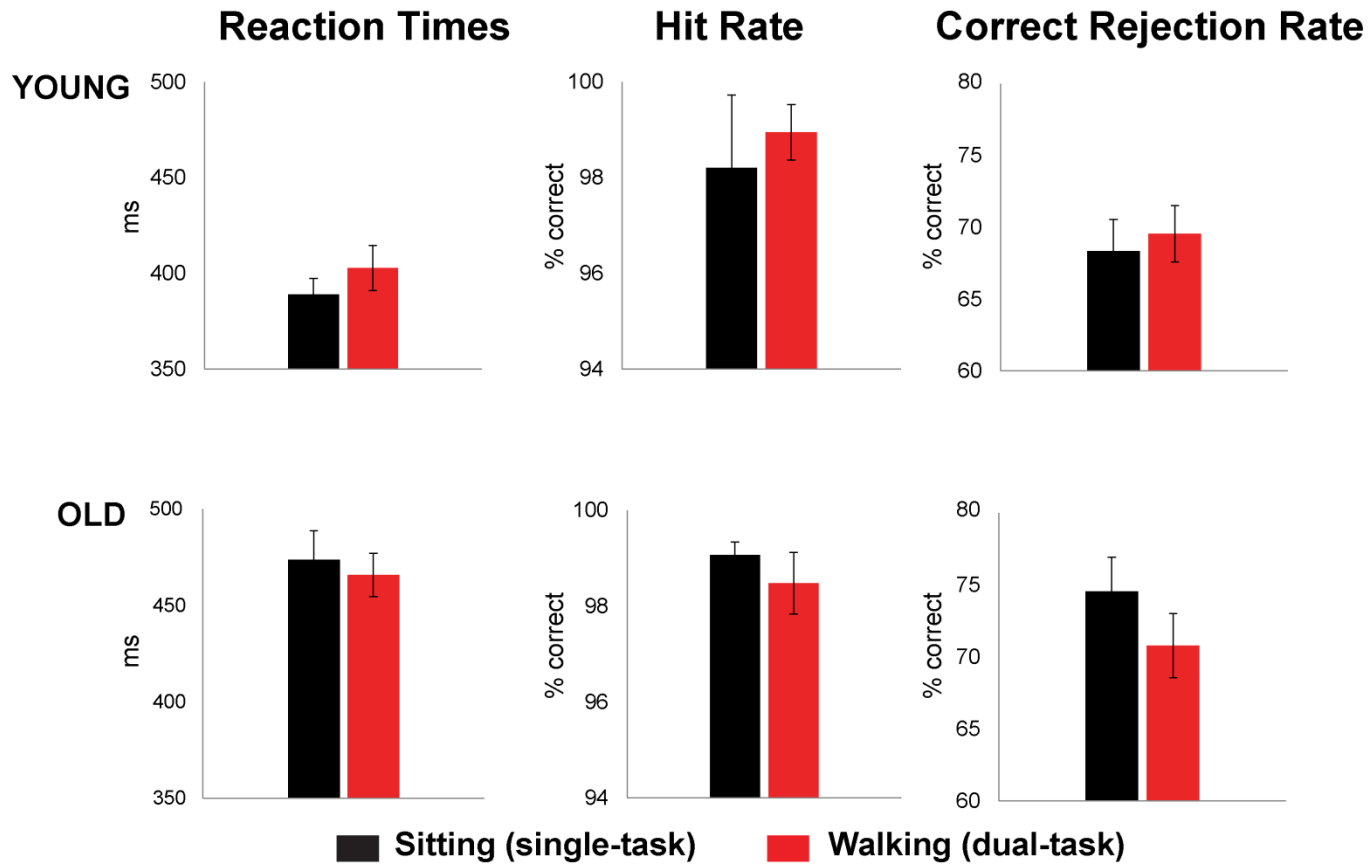


The aging brain shows less flexible reallocation of cognitive resources during dual-task walking: a mobile brain/body imaging (MoBI) study

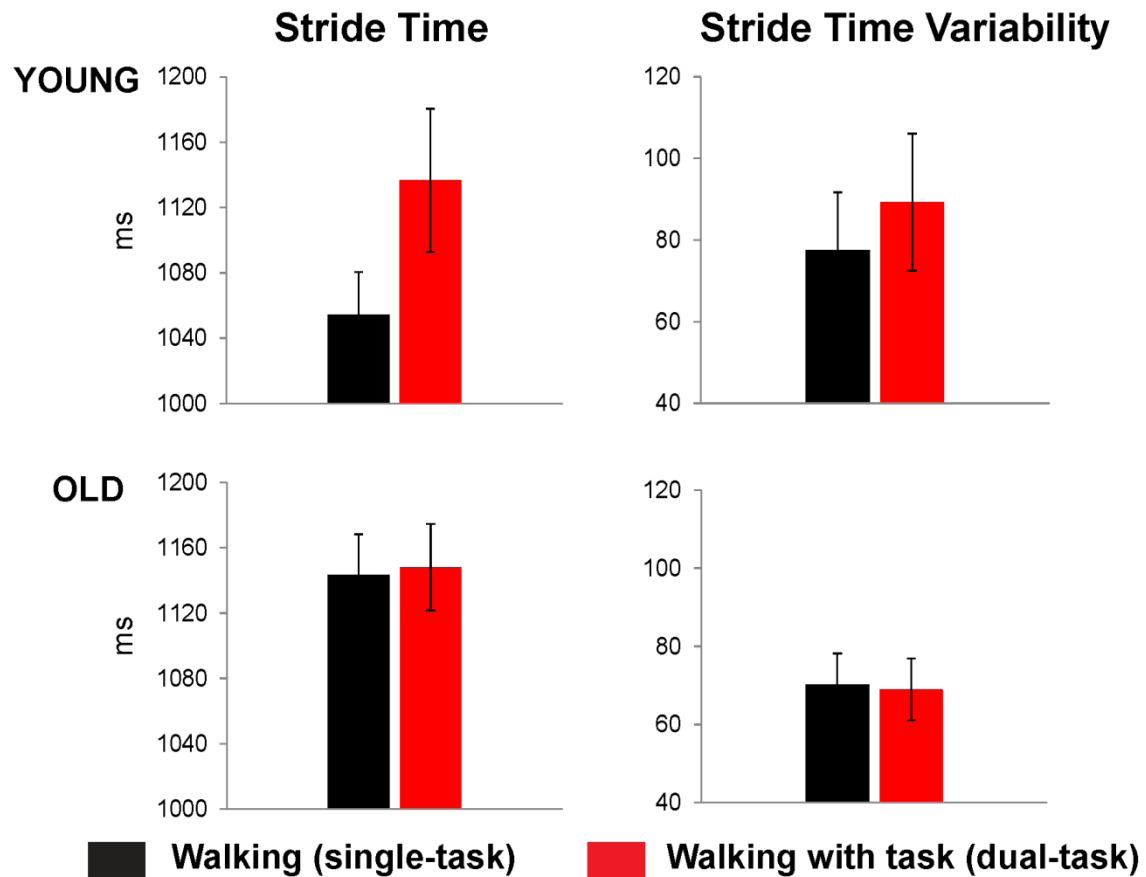
Age	Young	Old
Range	21.8-36.1	57.7-71.0
Mean	27.2	63.9
SD	4.6	4.0
	N=18	N=18



Behavioural

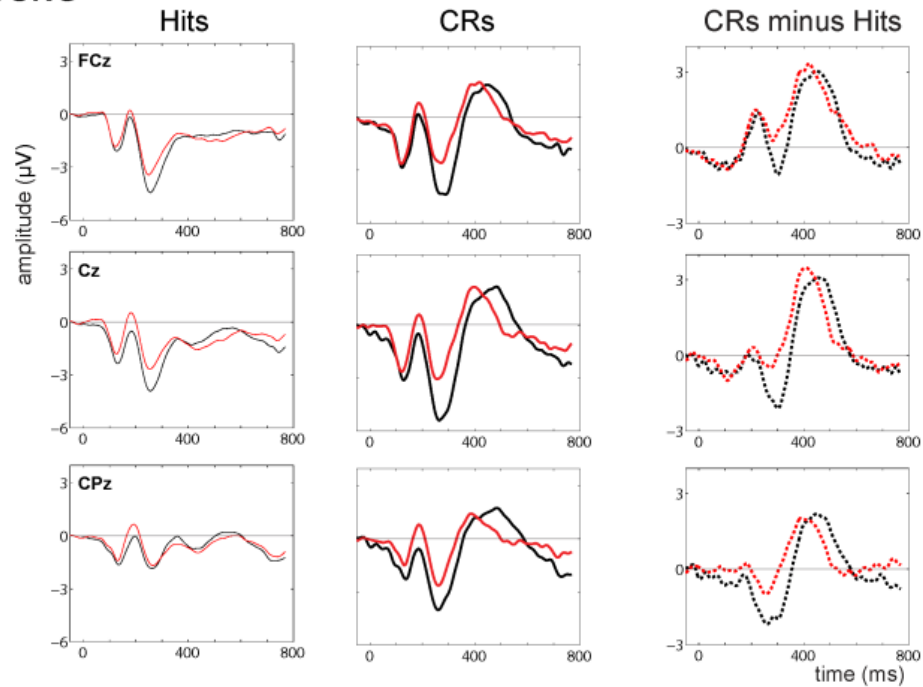


Gait Parameters



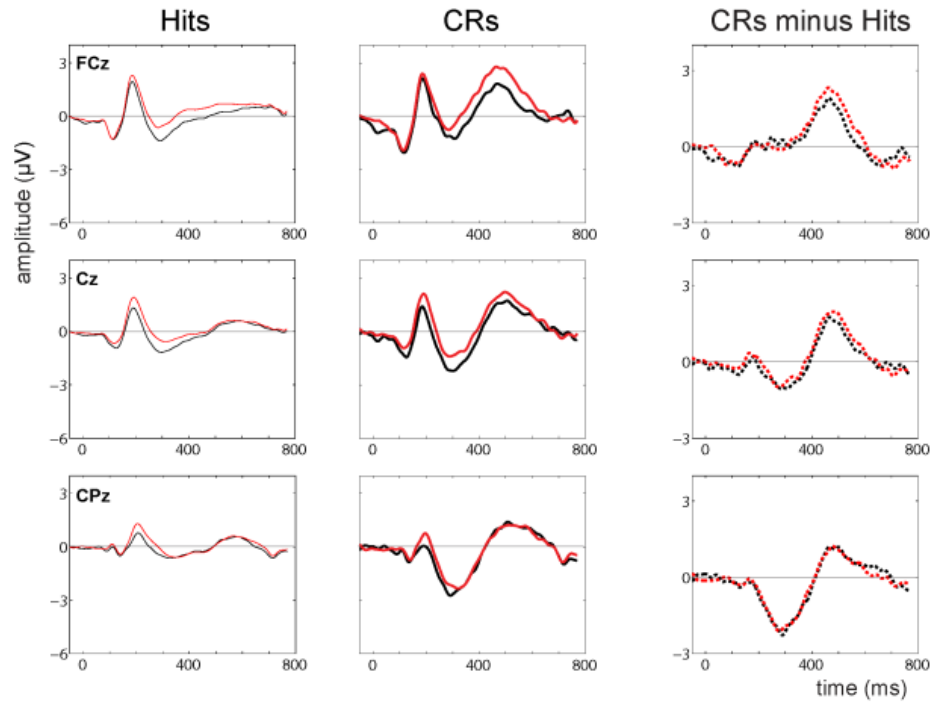
ERP - Young

YOUNG



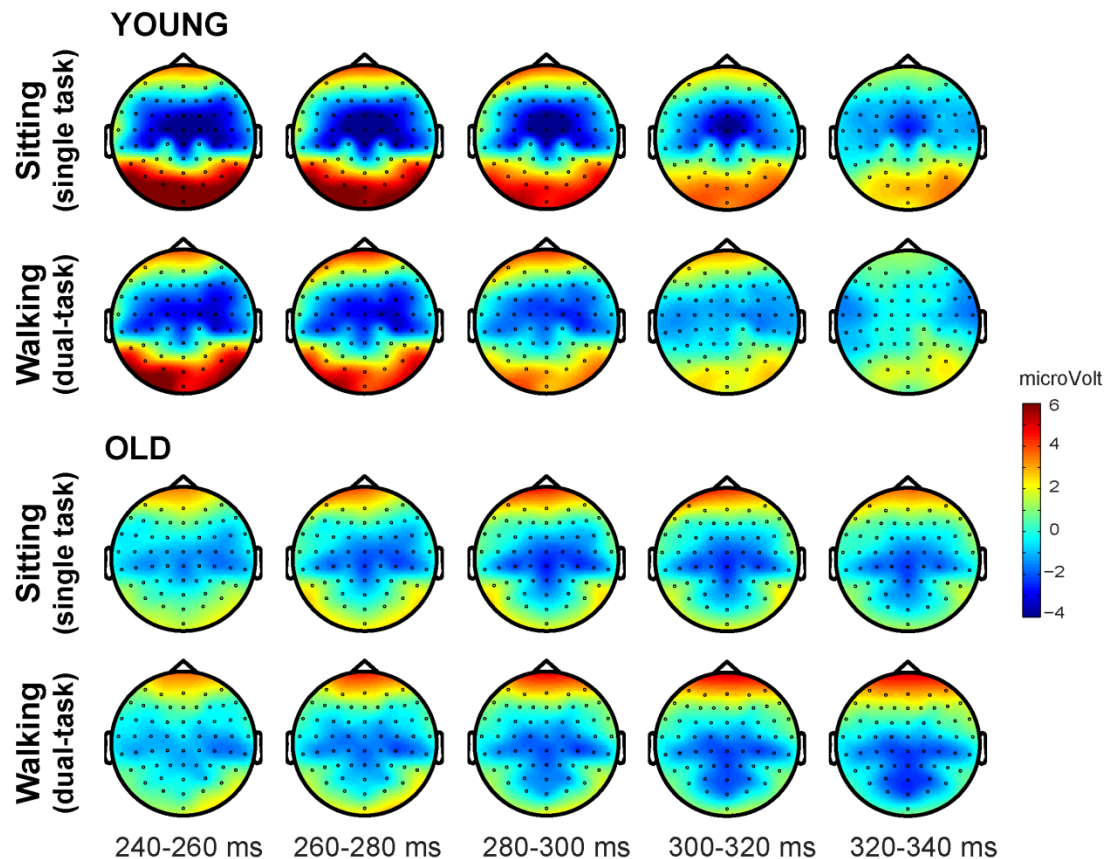
ERP - Old

OLD



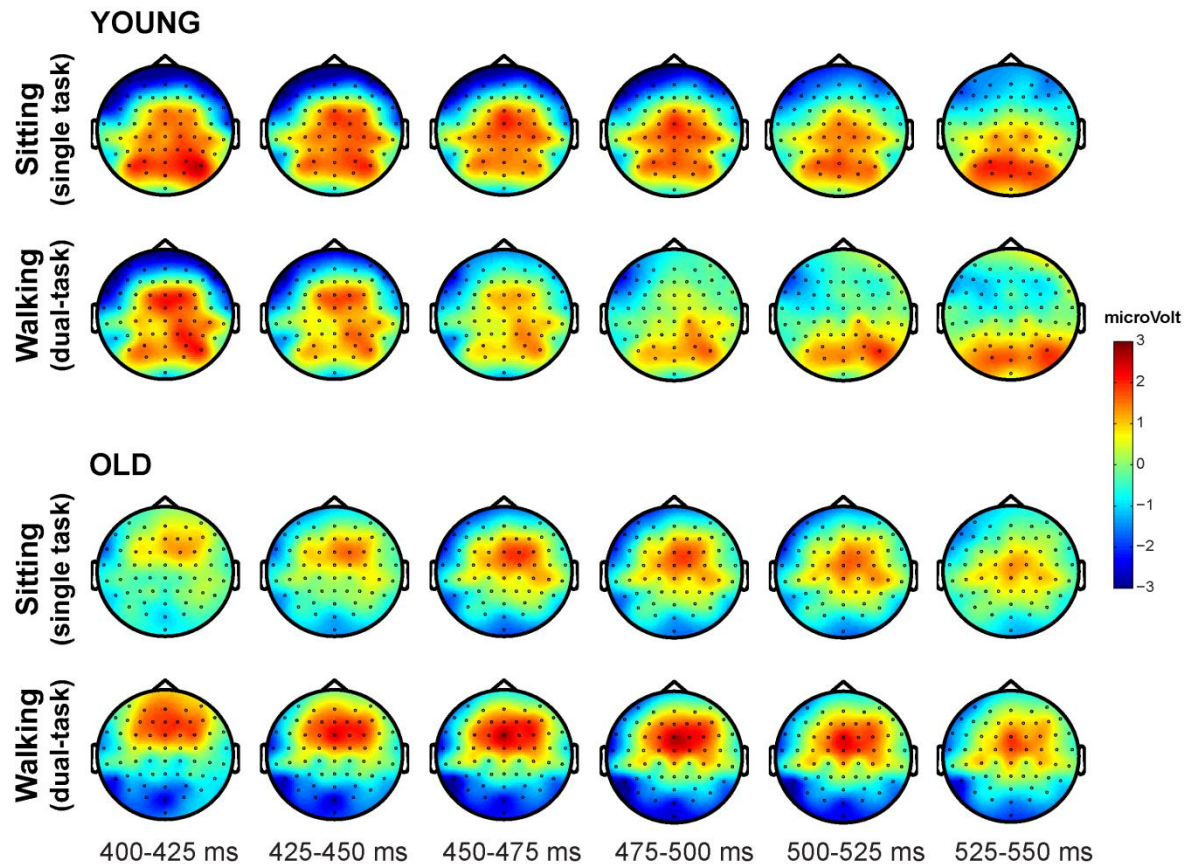
N2 topographical distribution

N2 Scalp Topography for Correct Rejection Trials



P3 topographical distribution

P3 Scalp Topography for Correct Rejection Trials



Summary

- Younger adults adjust gait and cognitive control when presented with a dual task situation
- Healthy older adults show a lack of flexibility, both in terms of adjusting physical behavior and in reconfiguring cognitive control mechanisms at the neural level.

Conclusion

- These studies provide highly promising methods for gaining insight into the neurophysiological correlates of self-motion in more naturalistic environmental settings.
- Further our understanding self-motion disorders

Overall Conclusion

- The vestibular system is useful
 - Combines in an optimal fashion with visual cues
 - Is processed like other sensory modalities
- EEG can be collected during active and passive motion
 - With meaning results that further our understanding of self-motion

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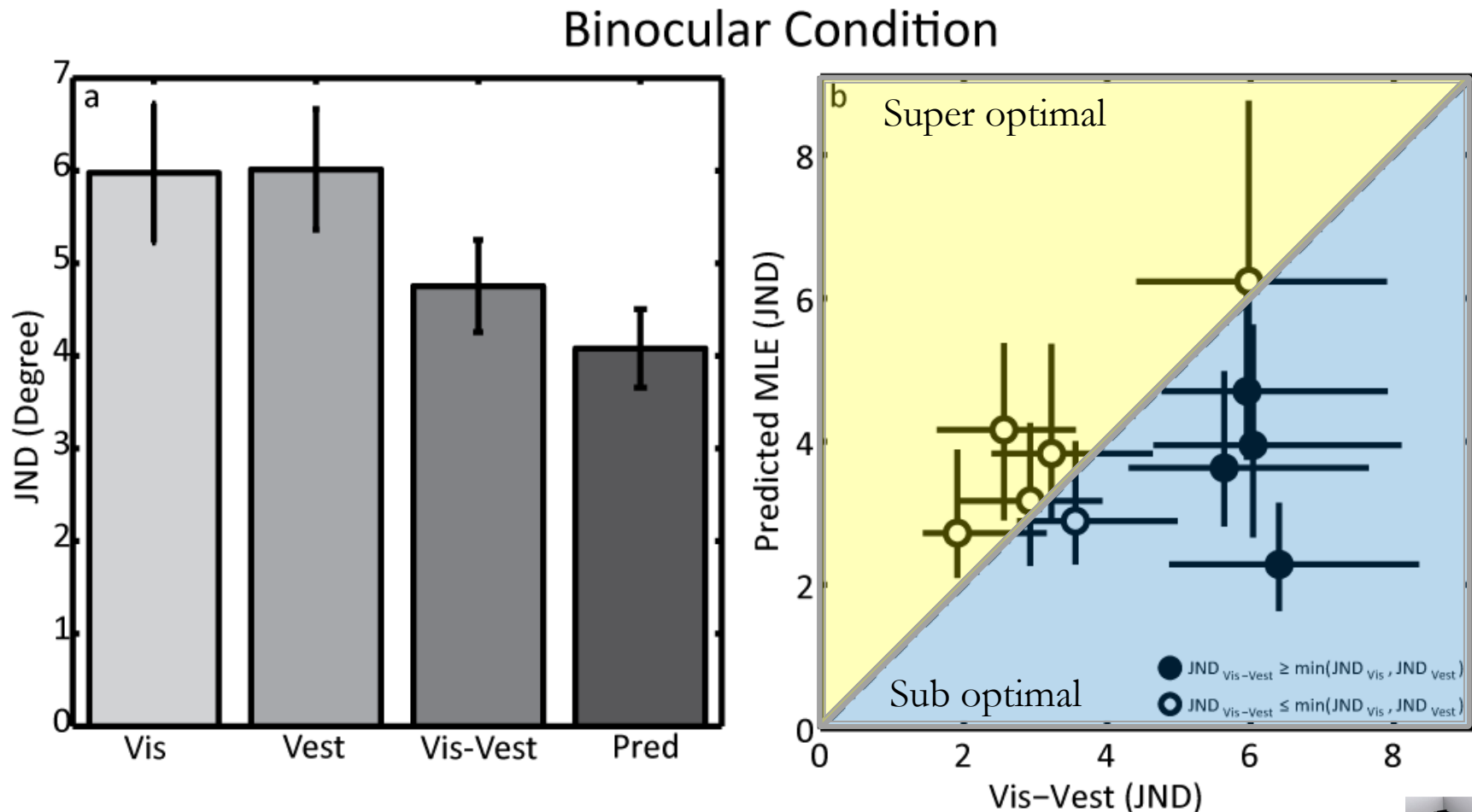


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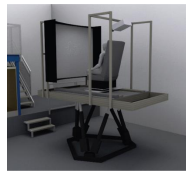
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Binocular Condition

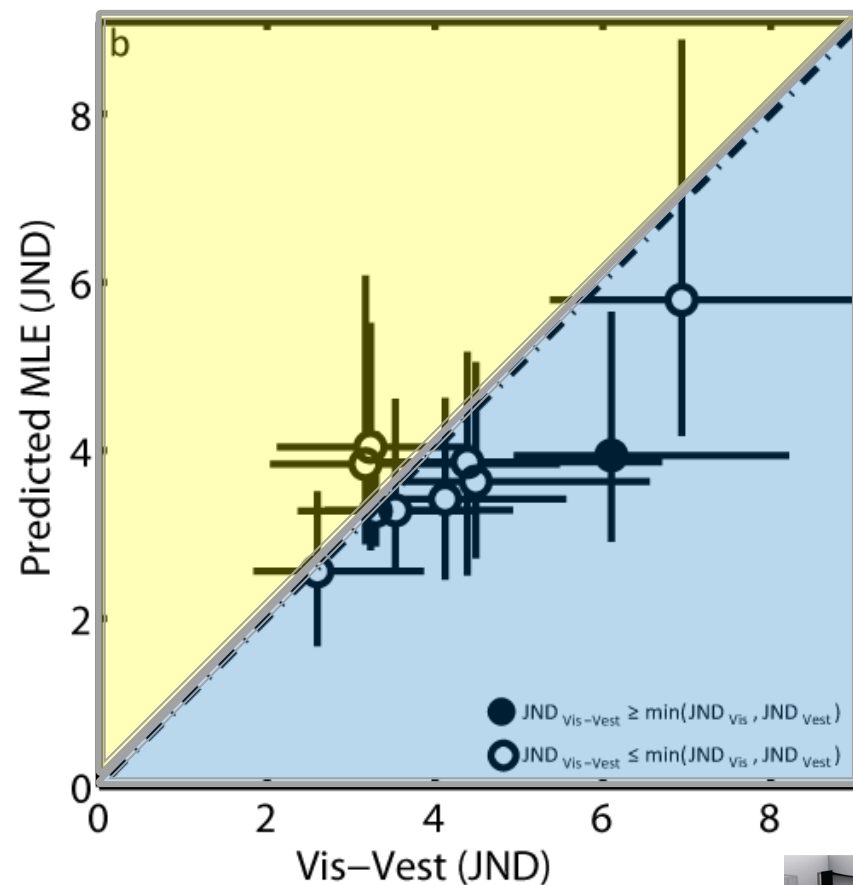
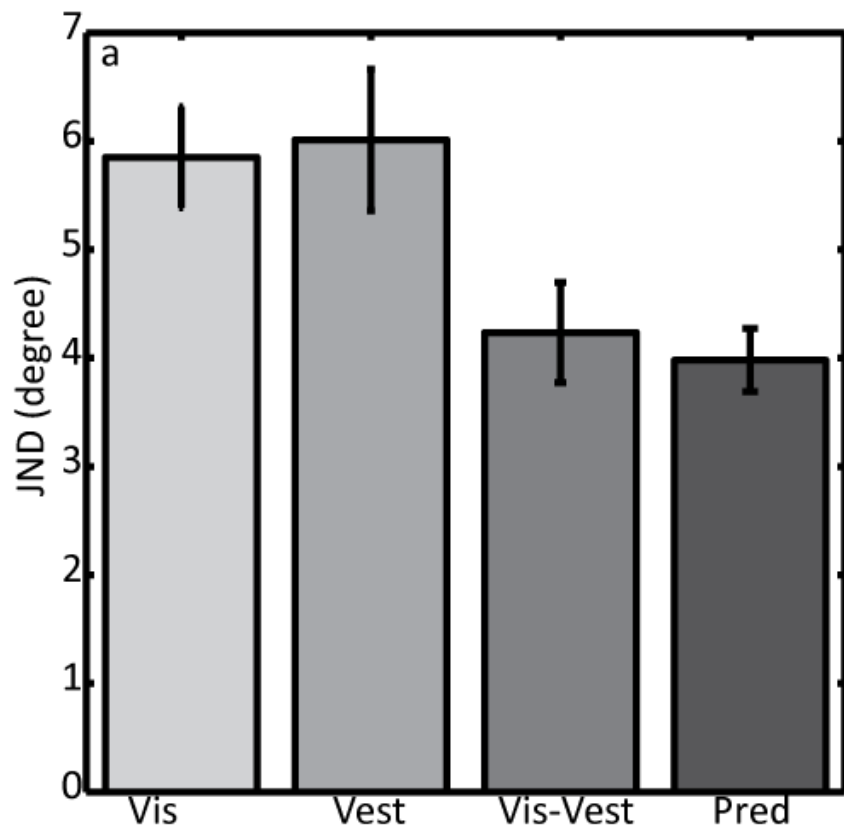


6 of the 10 exhibit optimal combination of sense



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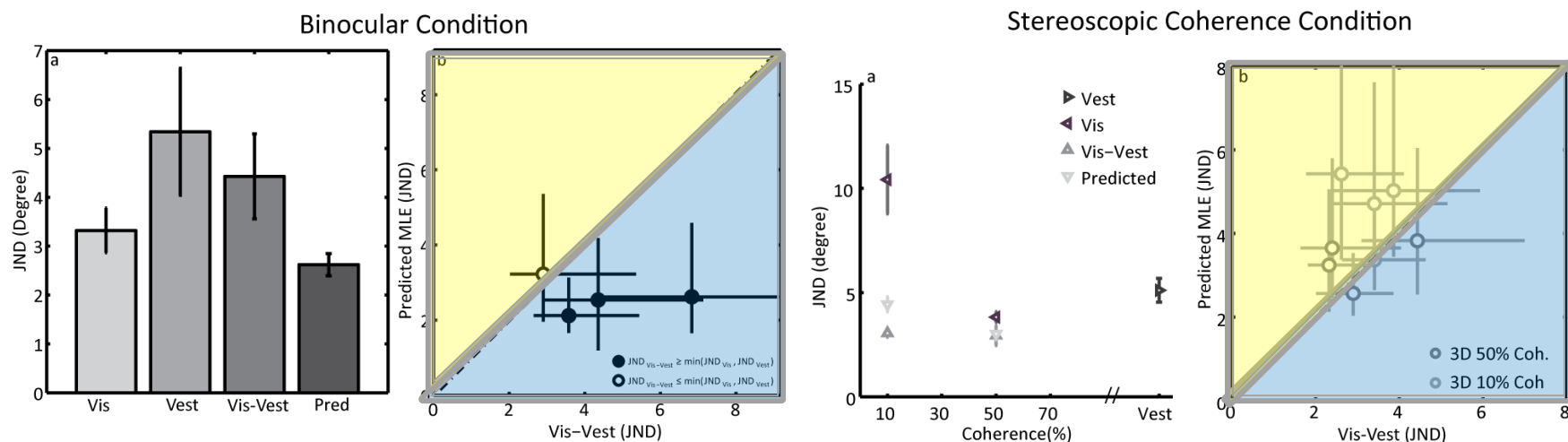
Stereoscopic Condition



9 of the 10 exhibit optimal combination of sense



Reproducible nature of result

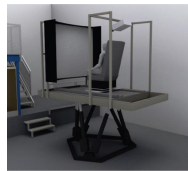


A subset of the original participants were re-run and exhibited identical results



Summary

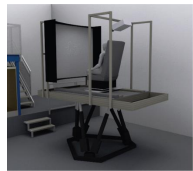
- The presence/absence of stereoscopic visual information can impact the extent to which visual and vestibular cues are integrated during heading perception.
- This was reproducible within participants



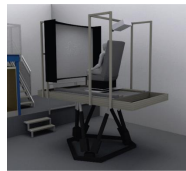
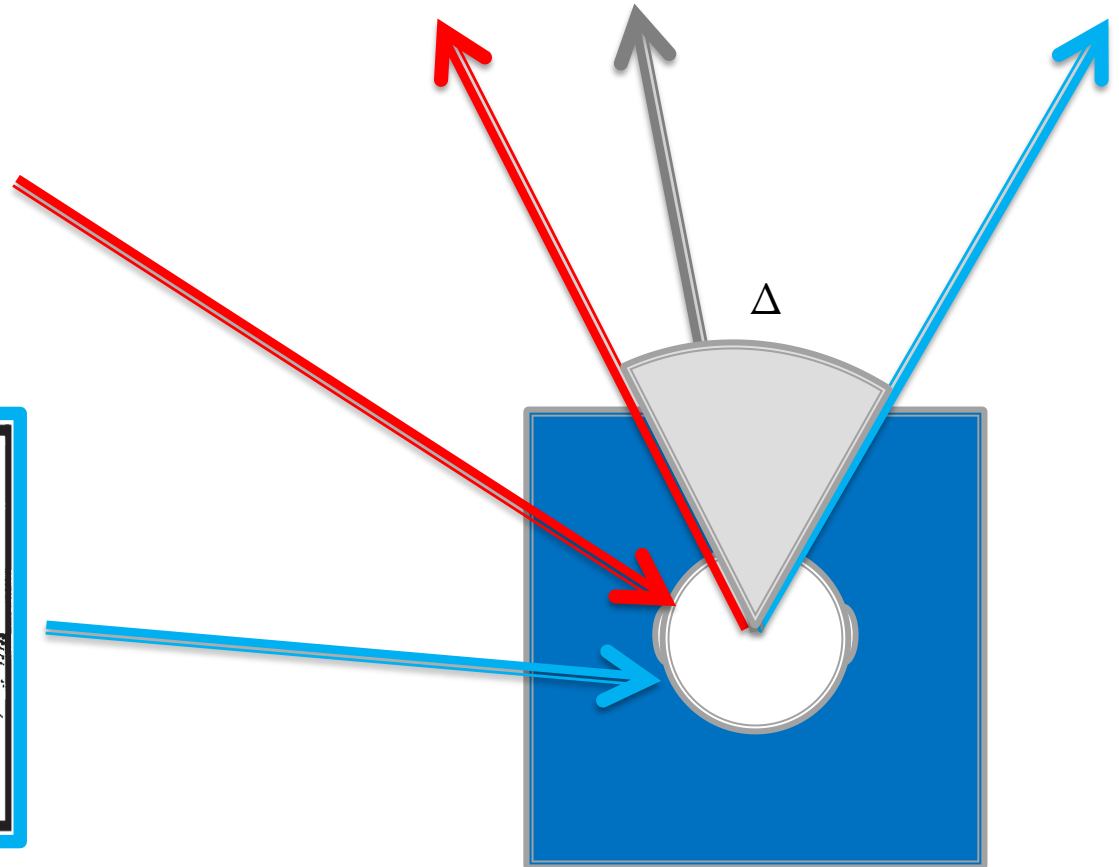
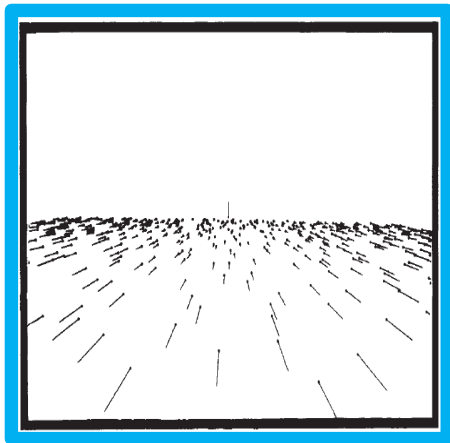
Talk Overview

- Passive Heading detection
 1. The role of Stereo cues
 2. Conflict of information
 3. Neural correlates of heading detection change

- Active tasks
 4. Walking
 5. Neural recordings while walking

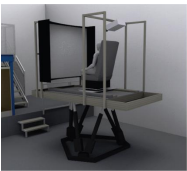


Visual-Vestibular Integration for Heading (conflict)



Why introduce a conflict?

- By introducing a conflict we can see if there is a breakdown of the combination of sense
- We can calculate the weights given to each cue



The logic of conflicts

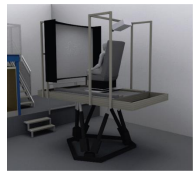
Equally weighted



Vestibular weighted more



Vision weighted more



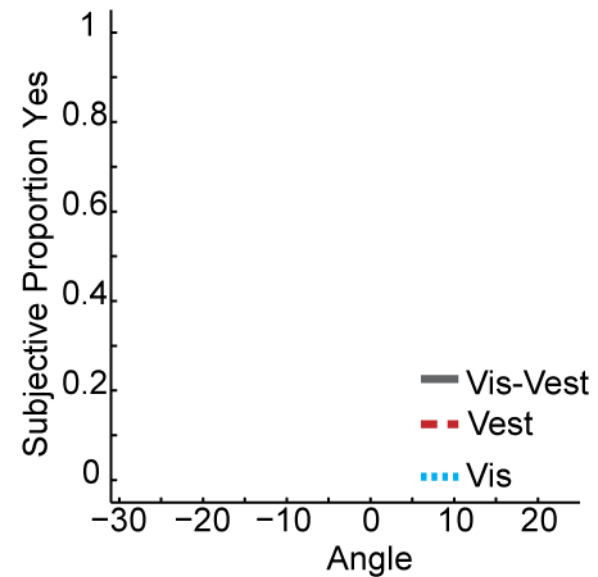
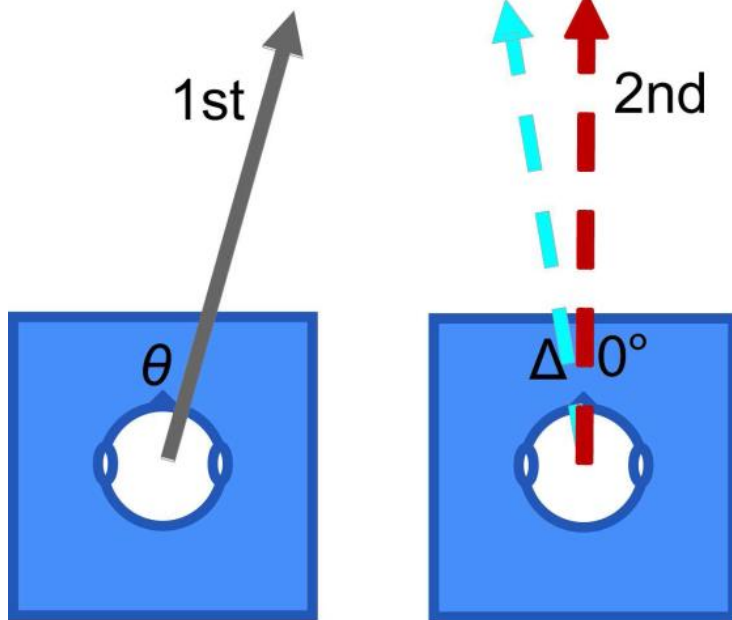
Individual participant analysis

■ Vis-Vest

■ Vestibular

■ Visual

Incongruent



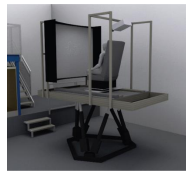
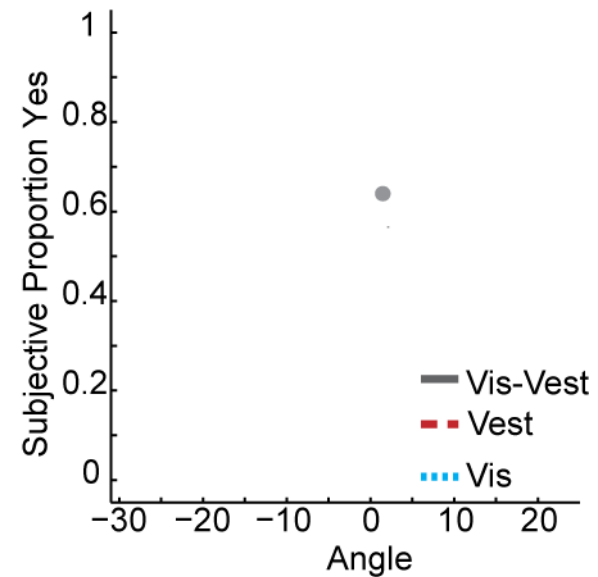
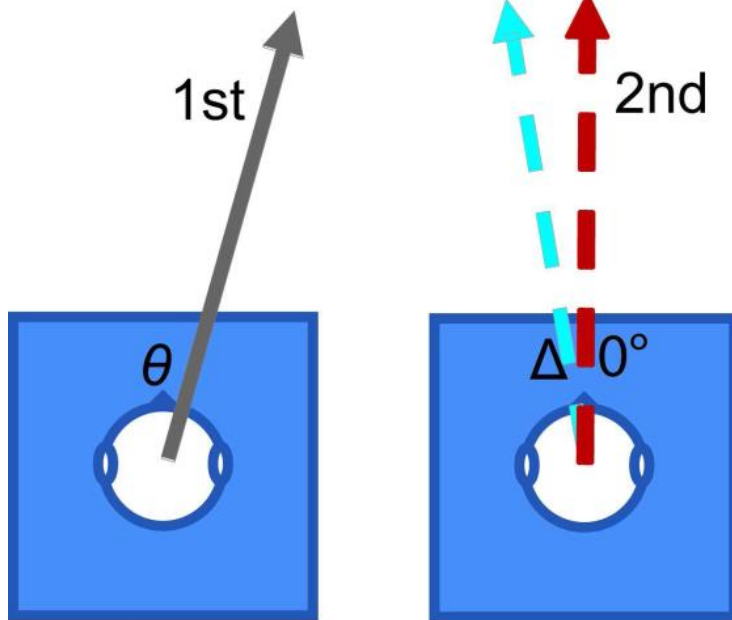
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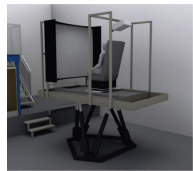
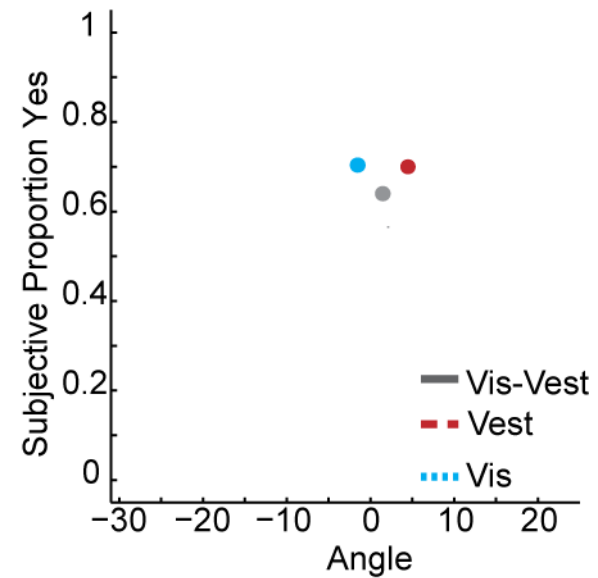
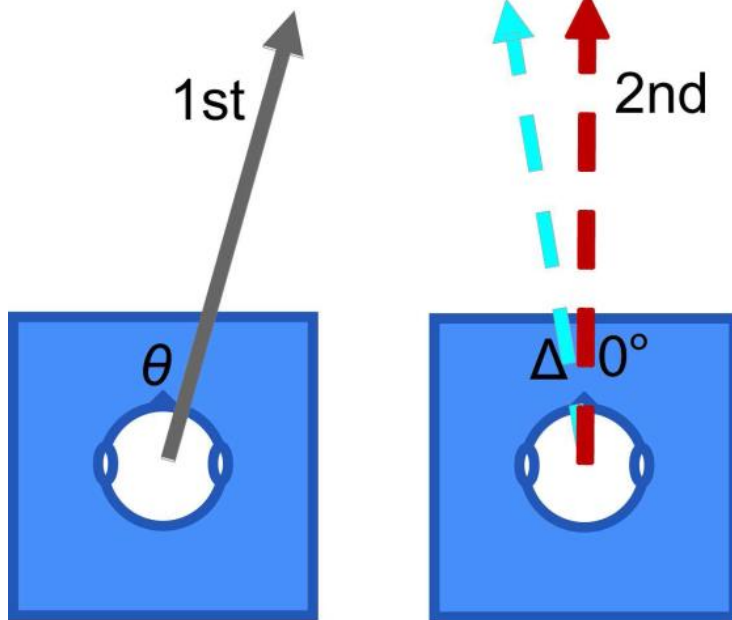
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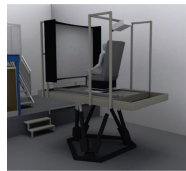
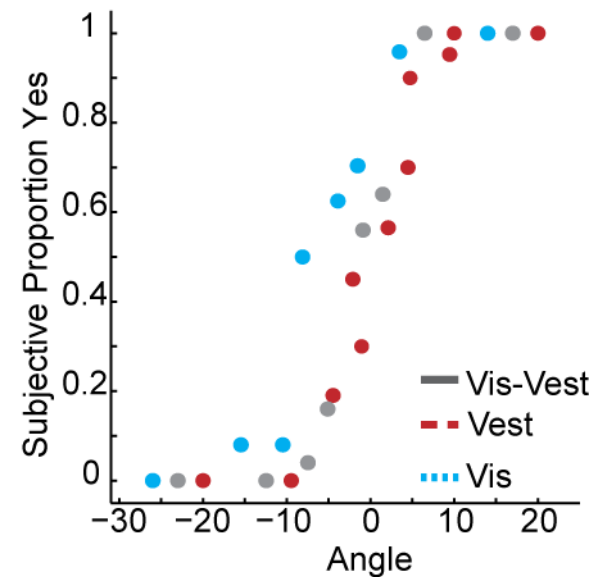
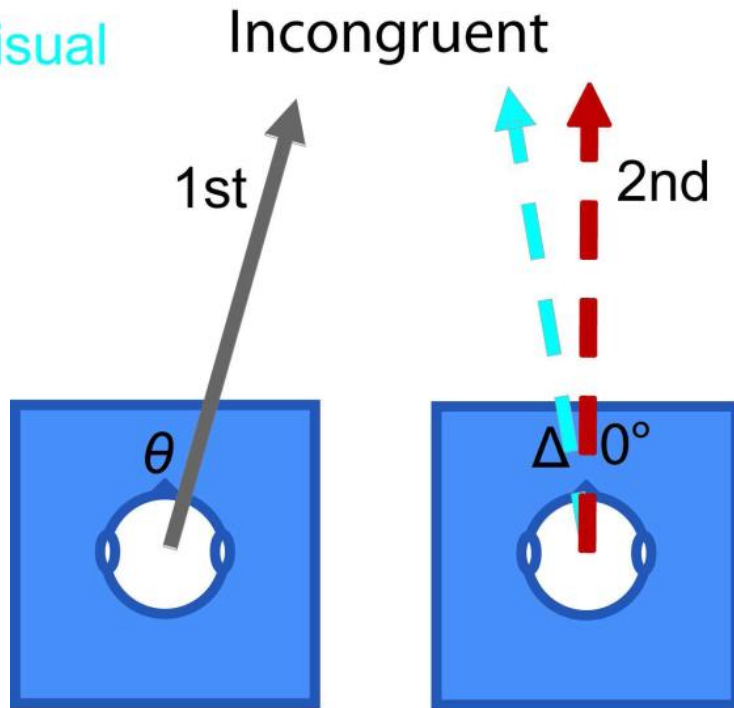


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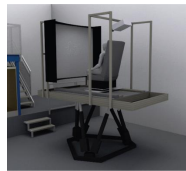
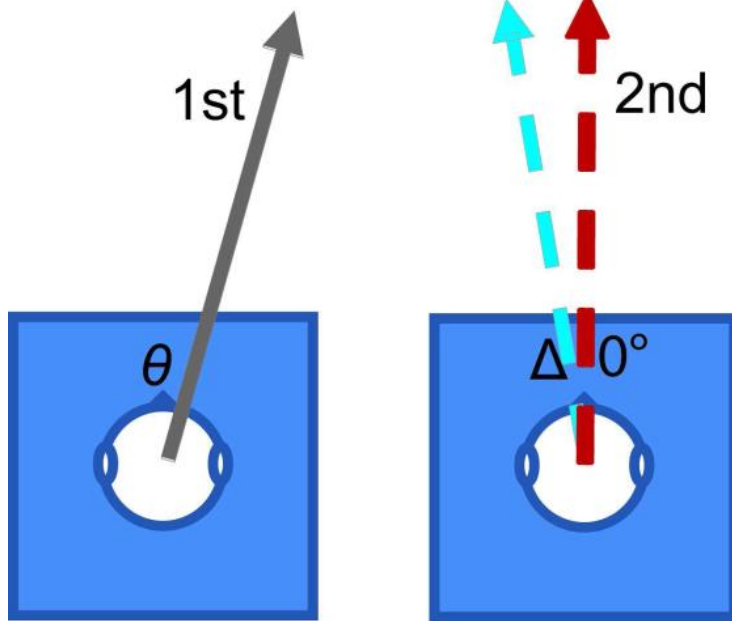
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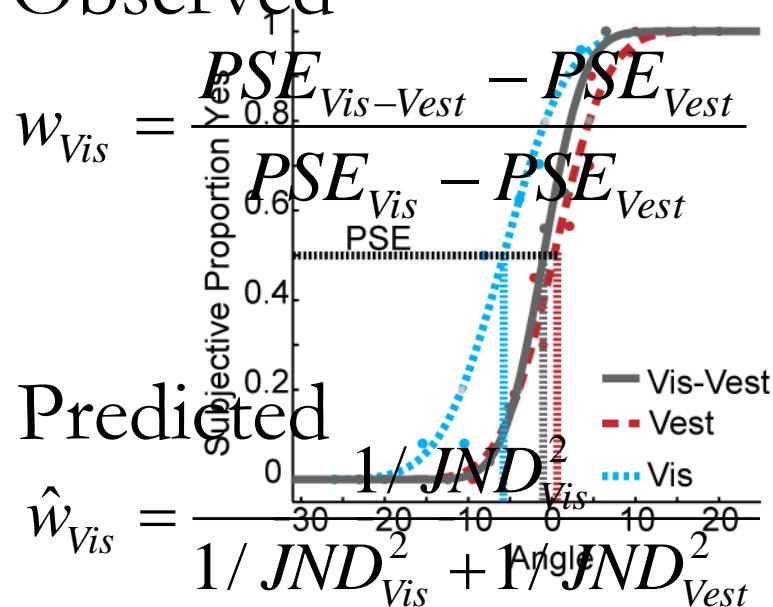
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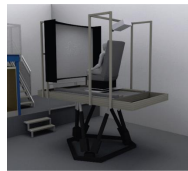
Maximum Likelihood Estimation

$$\hat{S}_{Vis-Vest} = w_{Vis} \hat{S}_{Vis} + w_{Vest} \hat{S}_{Vest}$$

Observed

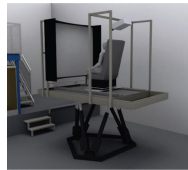
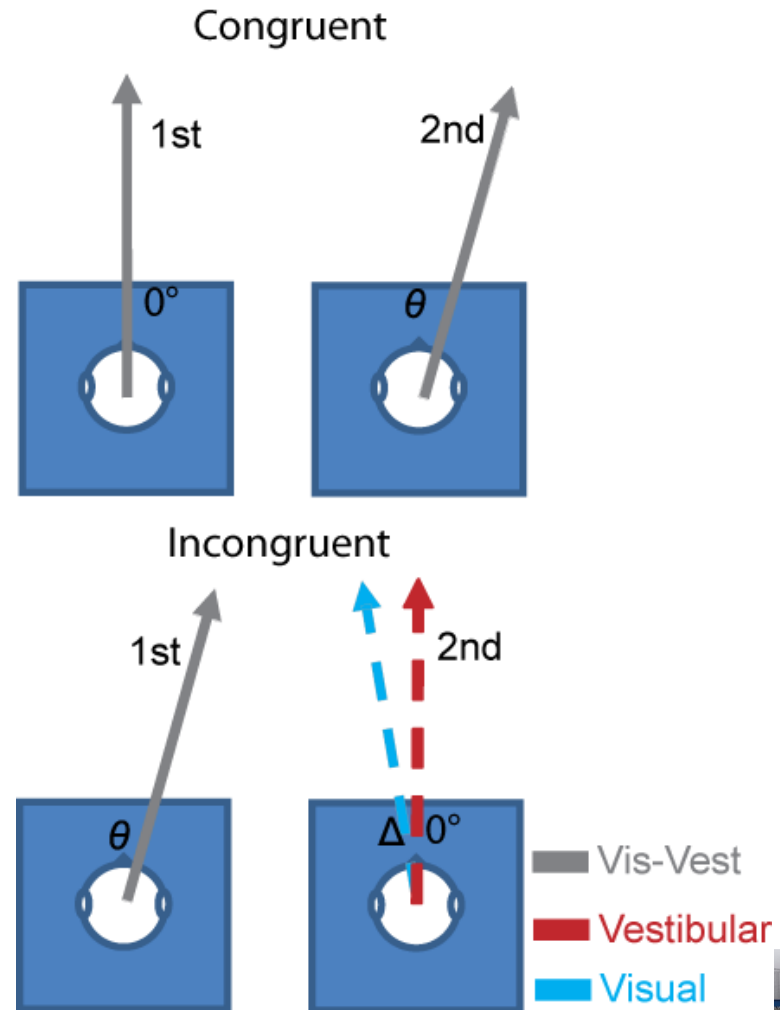


Predicted

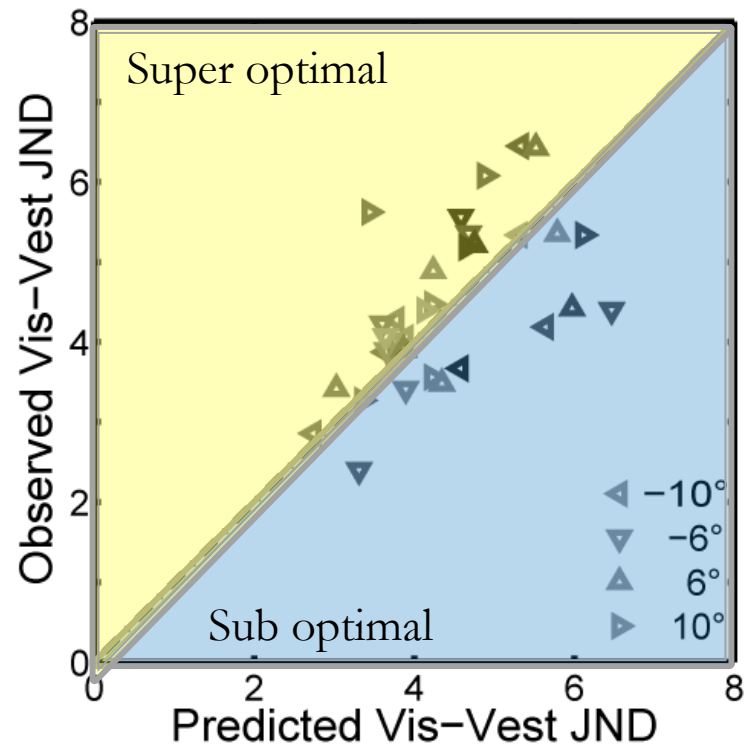
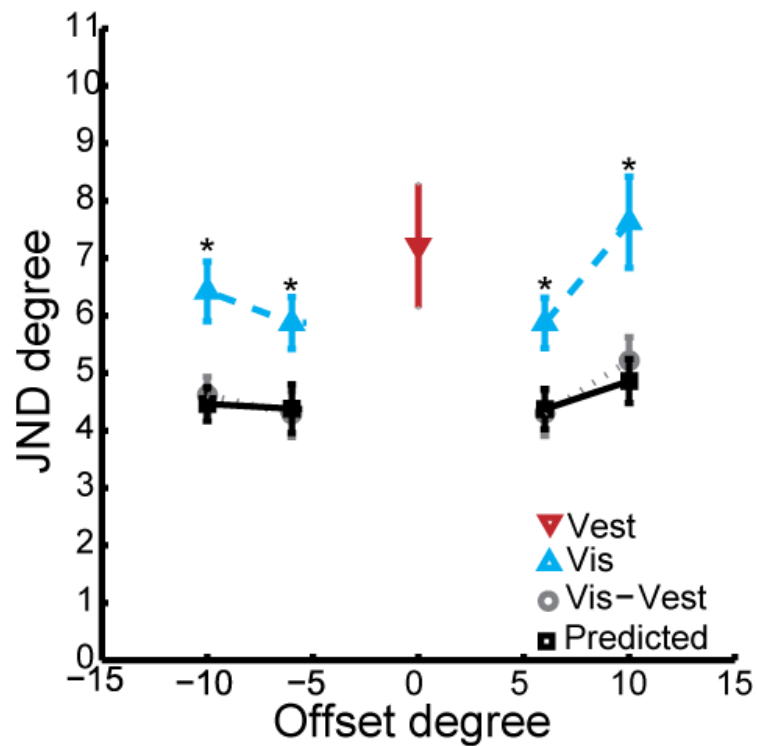


Spatial Conflict

- Conditions
 - 1 Vestibular alone
 - One Standard
 - $\Theta=0^\circ$
 - 4 Visual alone
 - Four standards
 - $\Theta=\pm 6^\circ, \pm 10^\circ$
 - 4 Visual-vestibular
 - One Standard
 - $\Theta=0^\circ$
 - Four Offset
 - $\Delta=\pm 6^\circ, \pm 10^\circ$



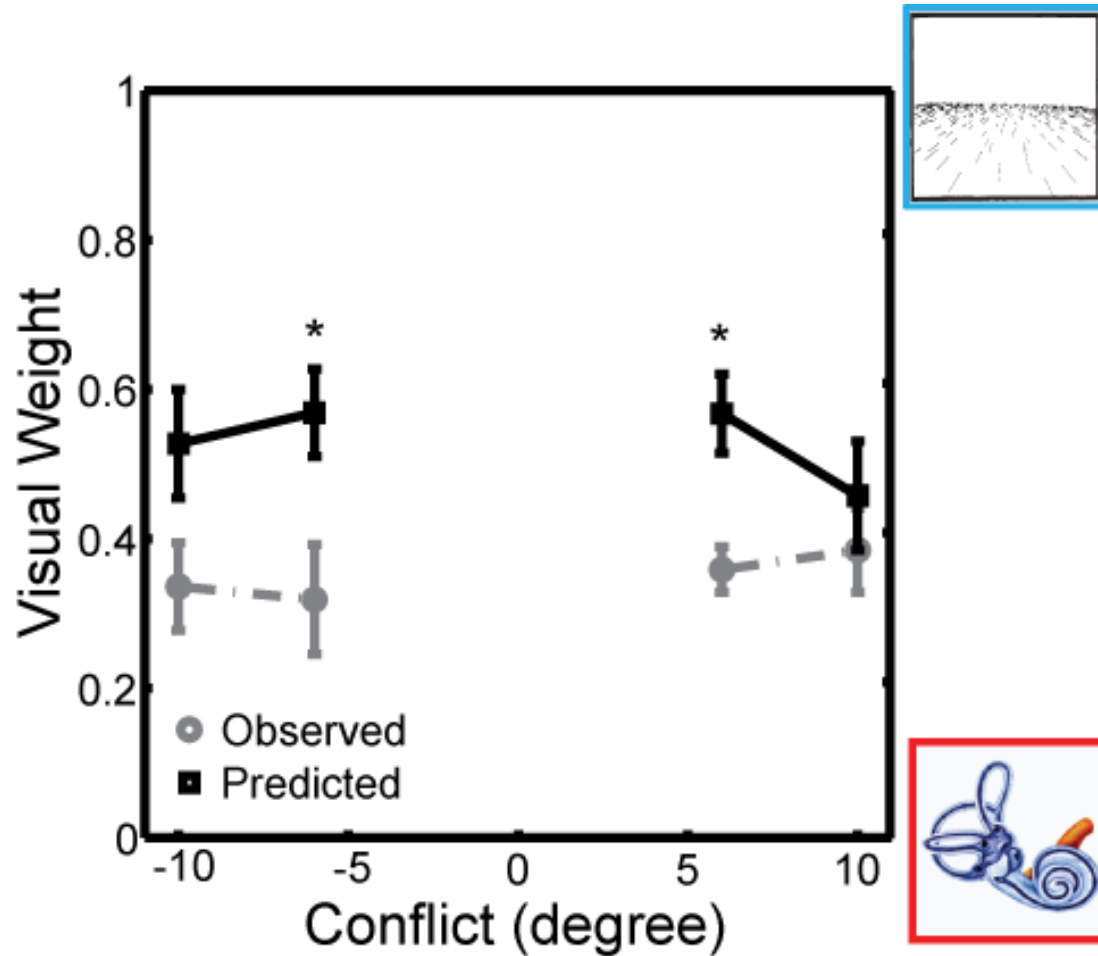
Optimal reduction in variance



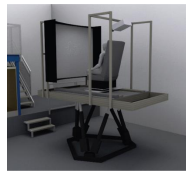
The combination of visual and vestibular cues observe an optimal rule of integration



Weights



The weights are biased towards the vestibular cue



Introduction of a Prior

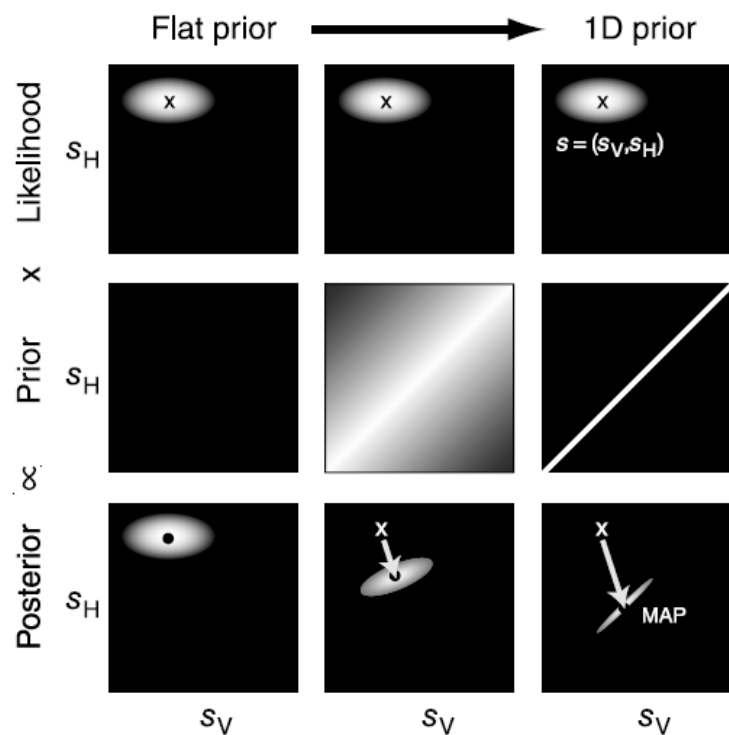
$$\hat{S}_{Vis-Vest} = w_{Vis} \hat{S}_{Vis} + w_{Vest} \hat{S}_{Vest} + w_{Prior} \hat{S}_{Prior}$$

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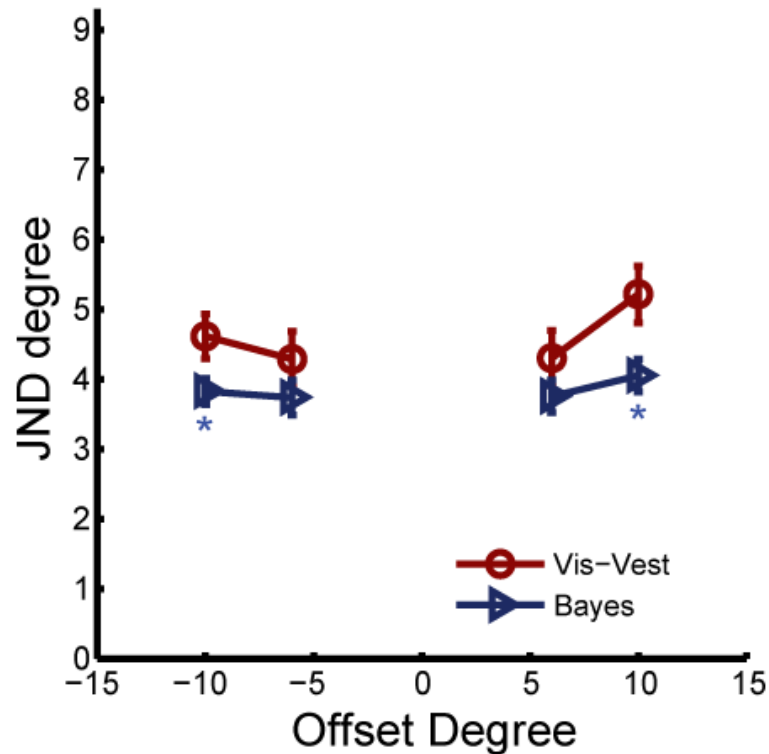
$$JND_{Vis-Vest}^2 = \frac{1}{1/JND_{Vis}^2 + 1/JND_{Vest}^2 + 1/JND_{Prior}^2}$$

$$w_{Vis} = \frac{1/JND_{Vis}^2}{1/JND_{Vis}^2 + 1/JND_{Vest}^2 + 1/JND_{Prior}^2}$$

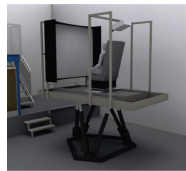
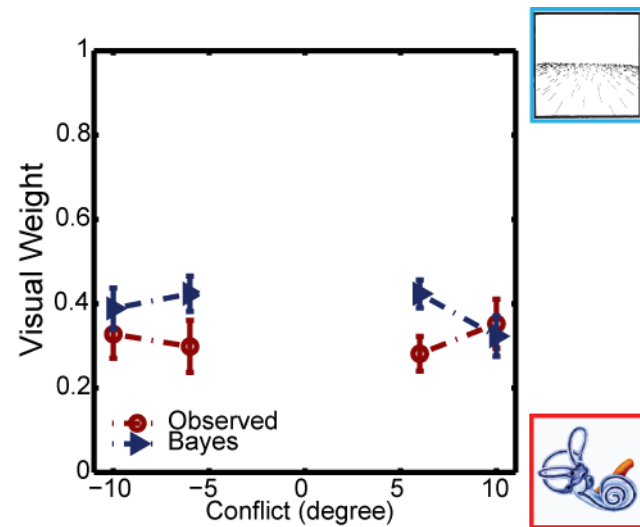


Bayesian Model

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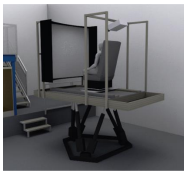


WEIGHTS

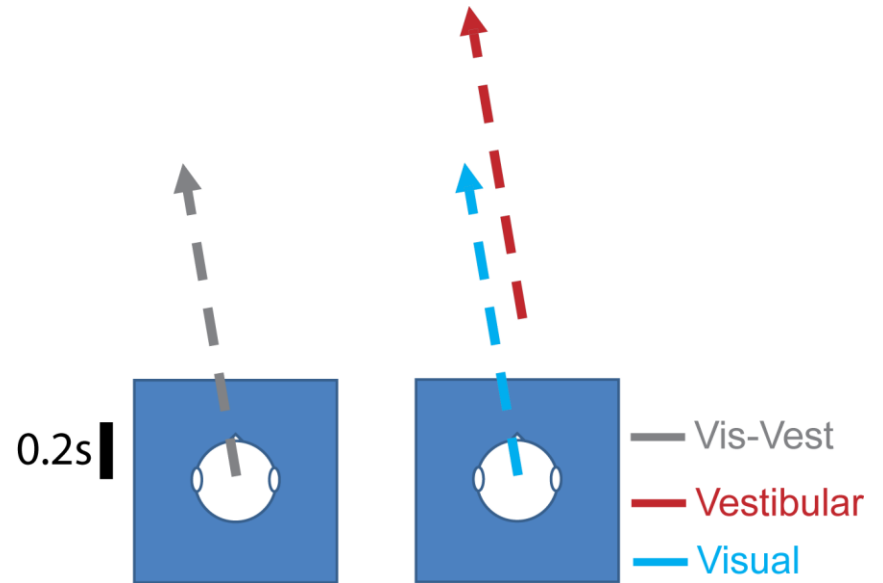
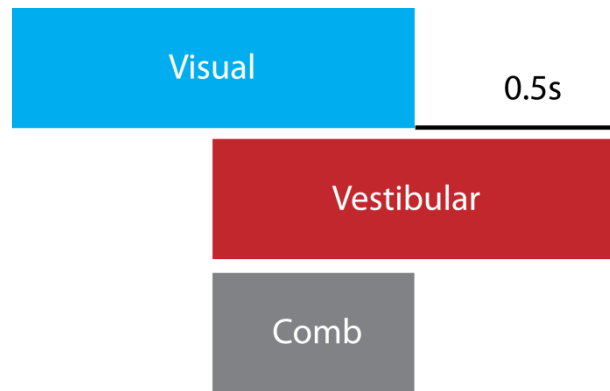


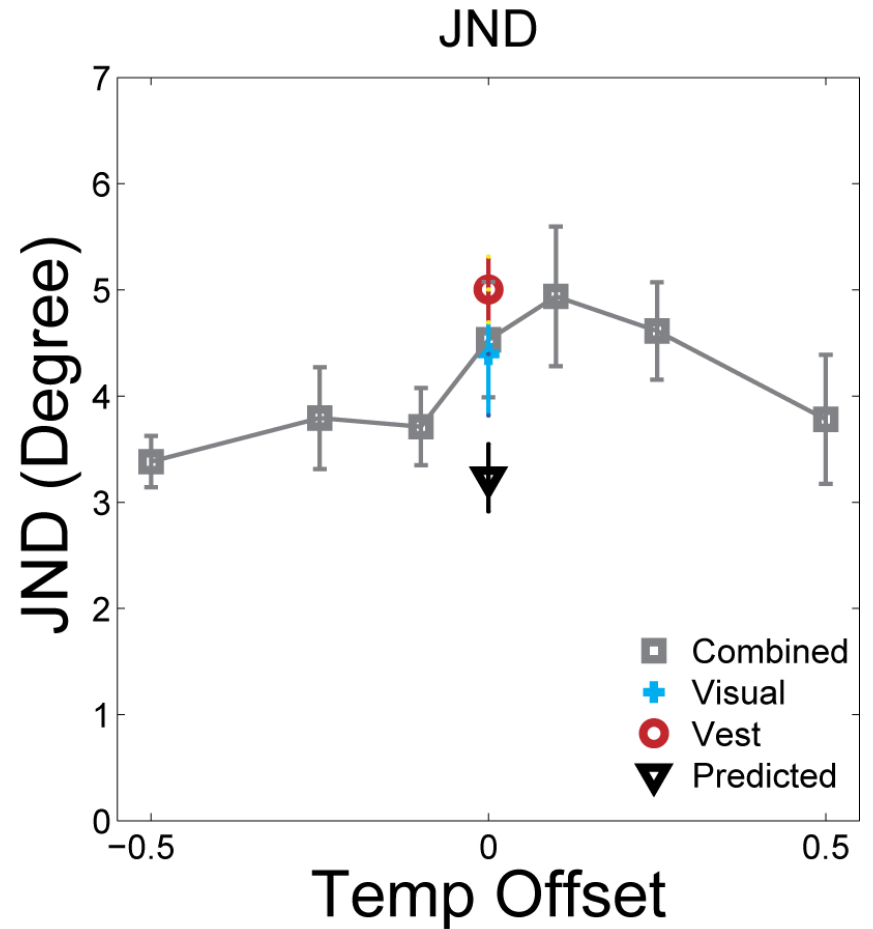
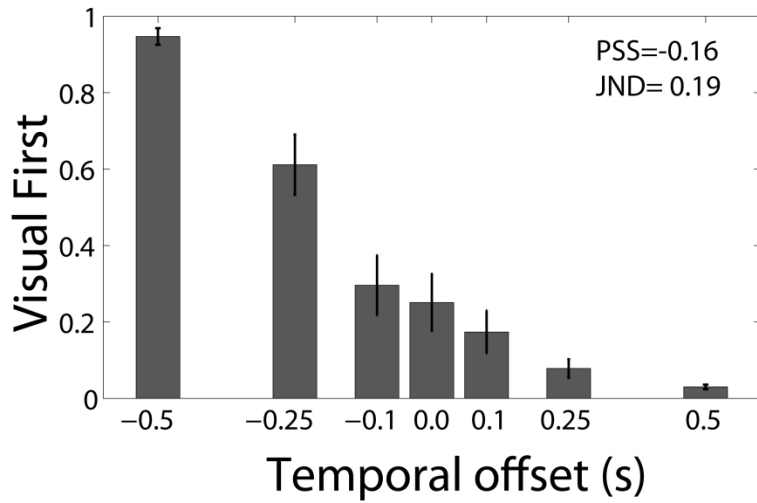
Summary results

- Participants exhibited a statistically optimal reduction of variance under combined cue conditions.
- Performances in the unimodal conditions did not predict the weights in the combined cue conditions.
- Therefore, we conclude that visual and vestibular cue combination is not predicted solely by the reliability of each individual cue but rather, there is a prior which leads to a higher weighting of vestibular information in this task.

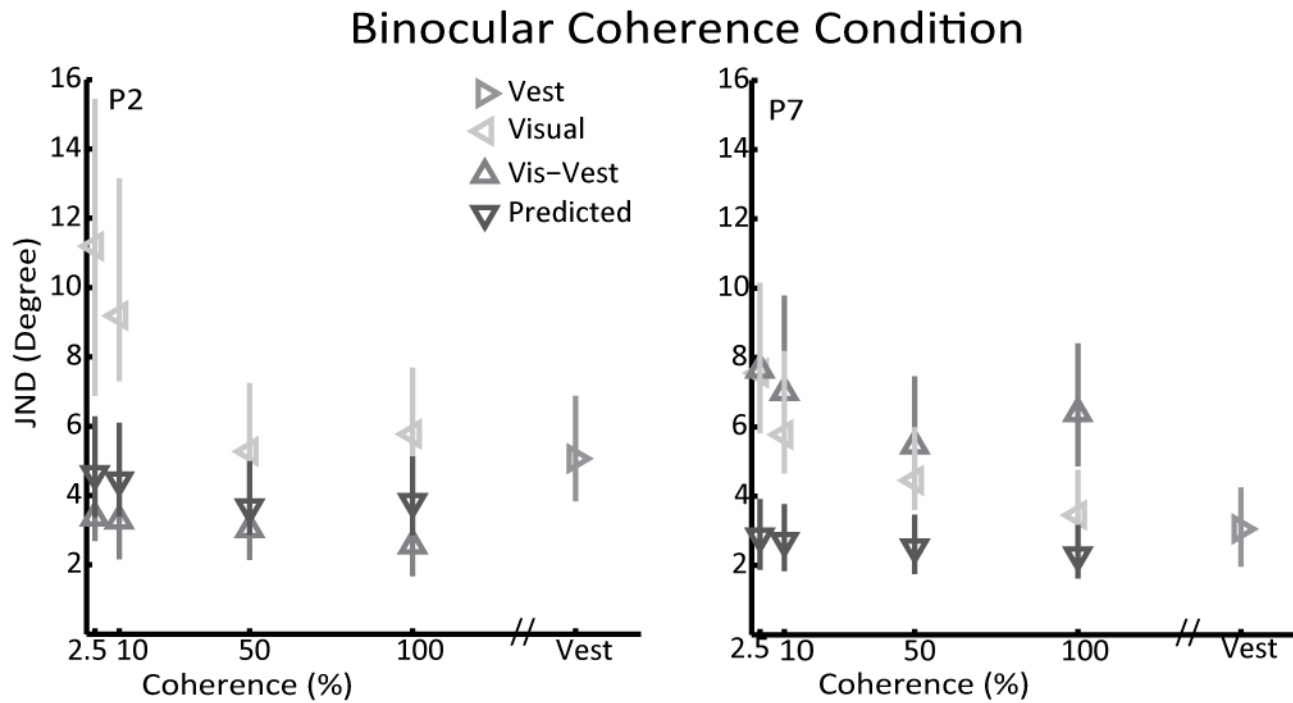
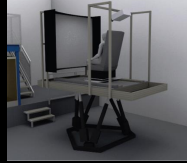


Temporal Conflict





Reproducible nature of result



Multisensory integration in the estimation of walked distances

- Conditions

- Visual Alone

- 0.7, 1.0, 1.4

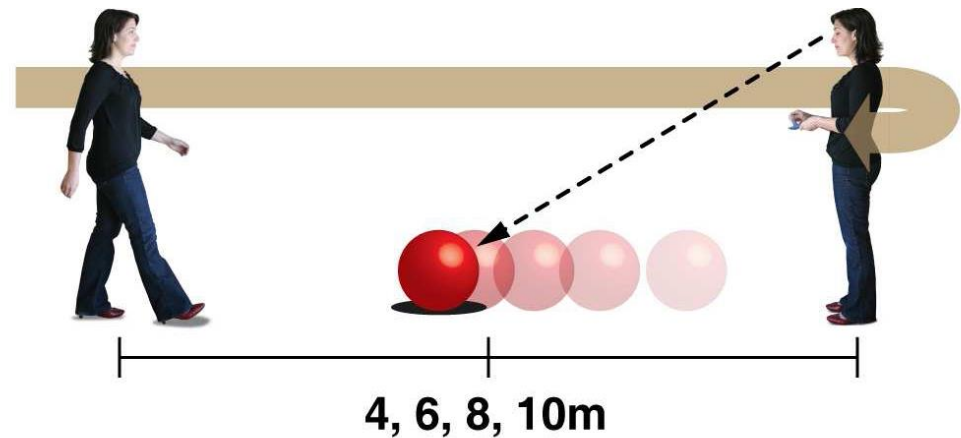
- Body Cues

- Combined

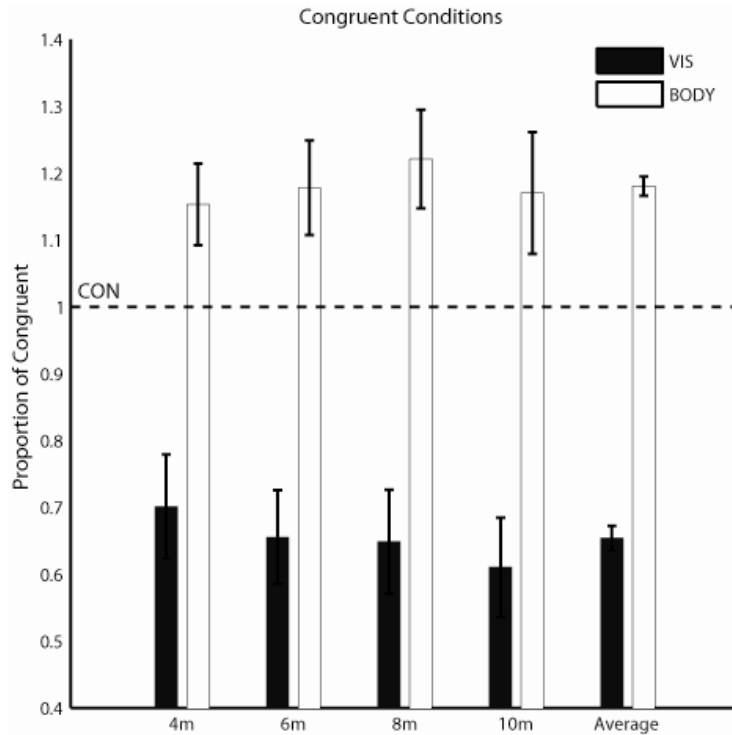
- Congruent

- Incongruent Visual Gain (0.7 1.4)

- 4 distances (4, 6, 8 10m)



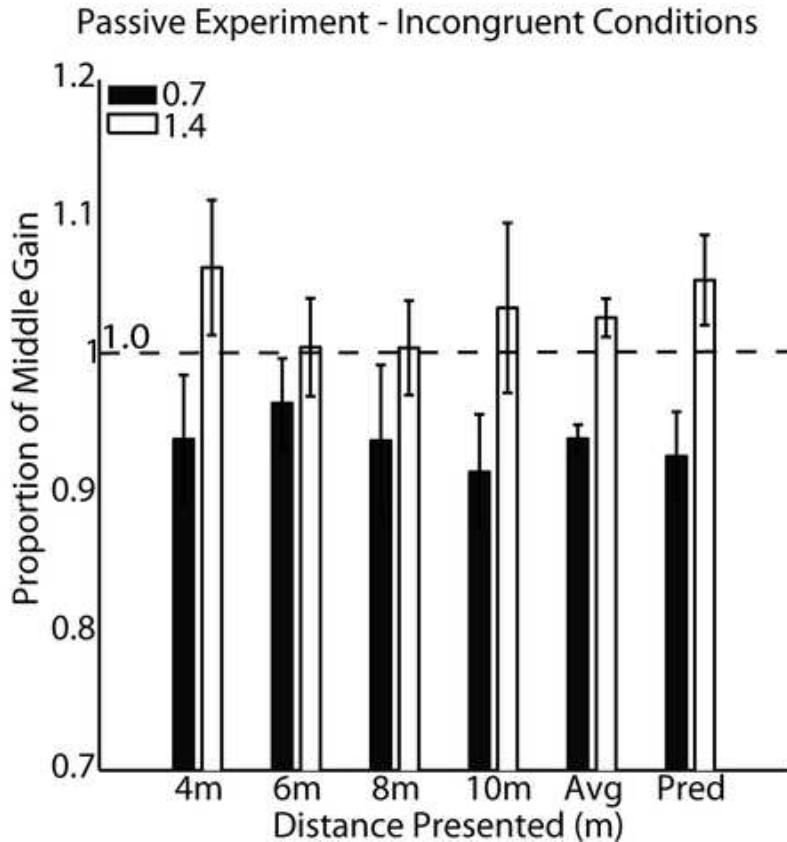
Congruent results



- Congruent combined distance estimation sits between visual alone and body based cues



Incongruent Results



- The combined results are predicted by the unisensory results.
- Body based we relied upon more than visual cues
- Within body based cues the vestibular cues were relied upon more than proprioceptive cues



Conclusion

- The combination of visual and body based cues for walking is predicted by a MLE model

