

Modeling Orientation

LISSOM Orientation Maps

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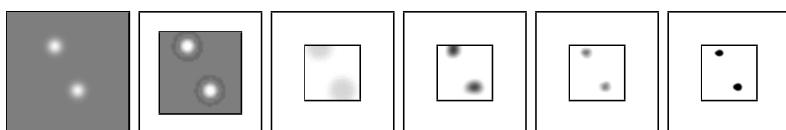
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- Starting point: LISSOM retinotopy model
- Exactly the same architecture, different input pattern
- Three dimensions of variance: x, y, orientation
- How will that fit into a 2D map?

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Retinotopy input and response



Retinal activation LGN response Iteration 0: Initial V1 response Iteration 0: Settled V1 response 10,000: Initial V1 response 10,000: Settled V1 response

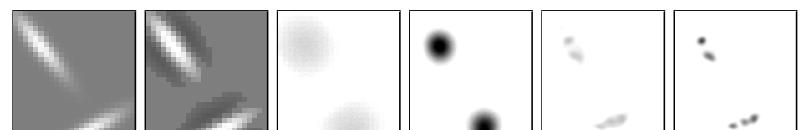
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(Reminder from previous slides)

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Orientation input and response



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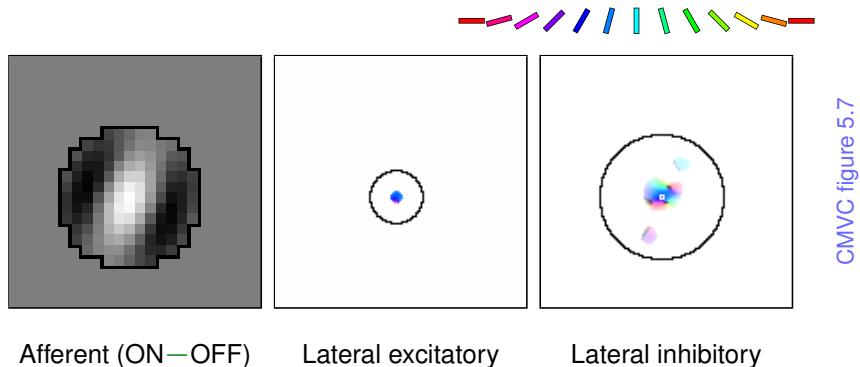
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- Response before training similar to retinotopy case
- Response after training has multiple activity blobs per input pattern
- Final blobs are orientation-specific

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Self-organized V1 weights



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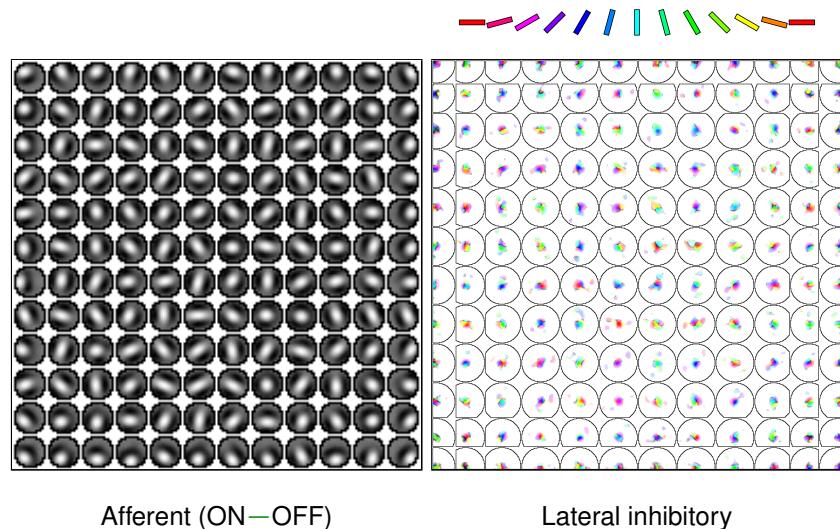
Typical:

- Gabor-like afferent CF
- Nearly uniform short-range lateral excitatory
- Patchy, orientation-specific long-range lateral inhibitory

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Self-organized weights across V1

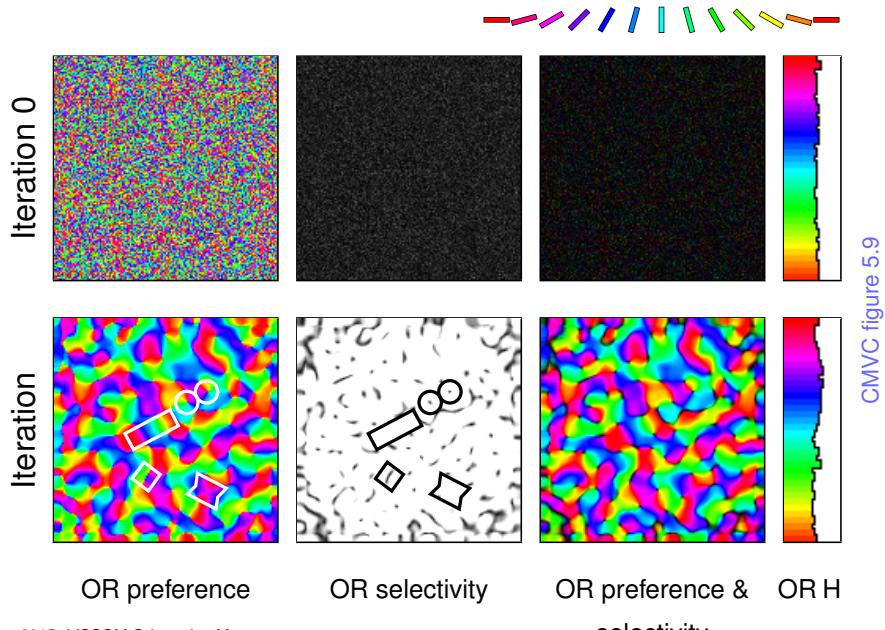


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OR map self-organization

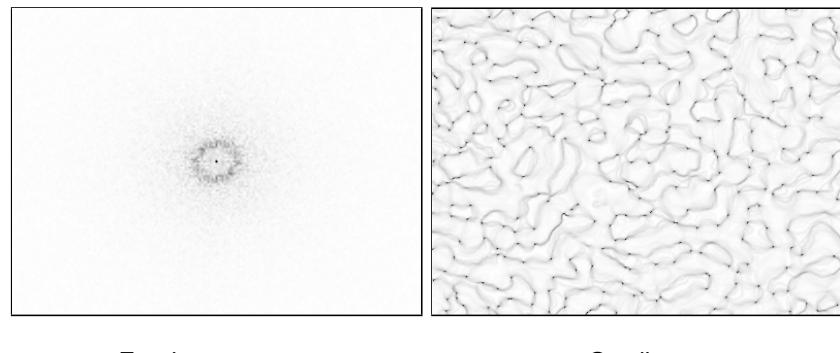


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Macaque ORmap: Fourier,gradient



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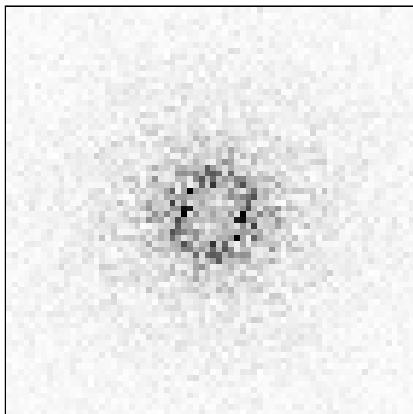
In monkeys:

- Ring-shaped spectrum: repeats regularly in all directions
- High gradient at fractures, pinwheels.

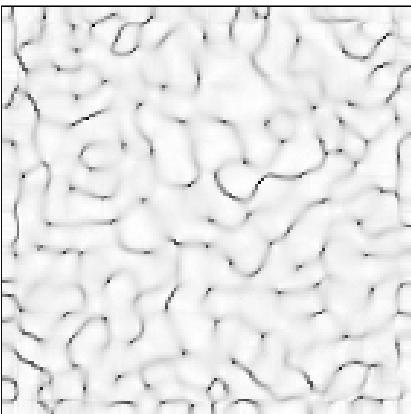
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OR Map: Fourier, gradient



Fourier spectrum

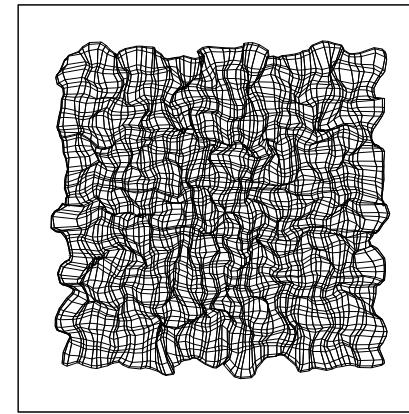


Gradient

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LISSOM model has similar spectrum, gradient

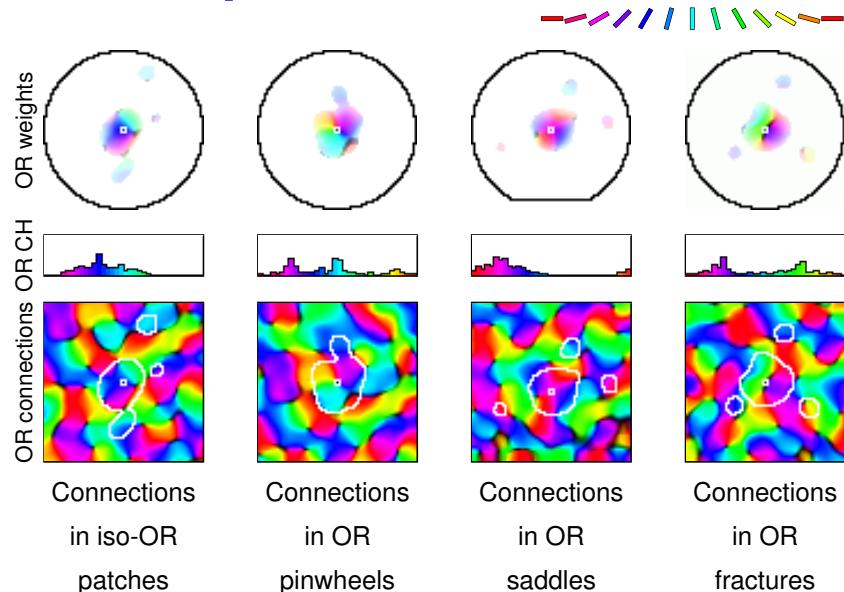
OR Map: Retinotopic organization



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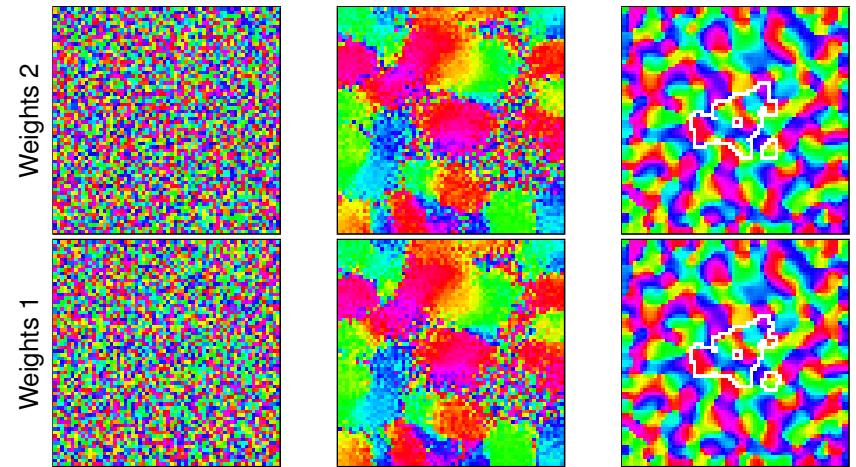
- Retinotopy is distorted locally by orientation prefs
- Matches distortions found in animal maps?

OR Map: Lateral connections



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Effect of initial weights

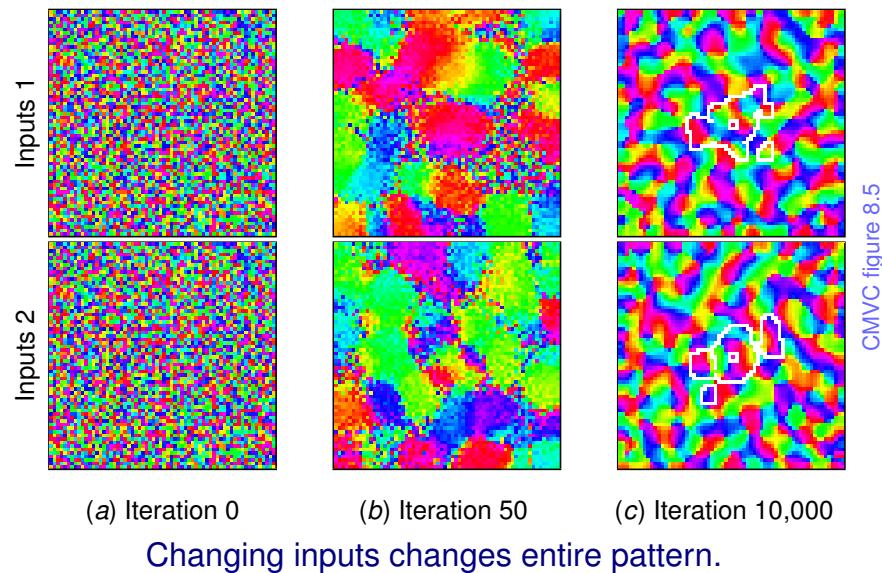


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(a) Iteration 0 (b) Iteration 50 (c) Iteration 10,000

Changing weights doesn't change map folding pattern.

Effect of input streams

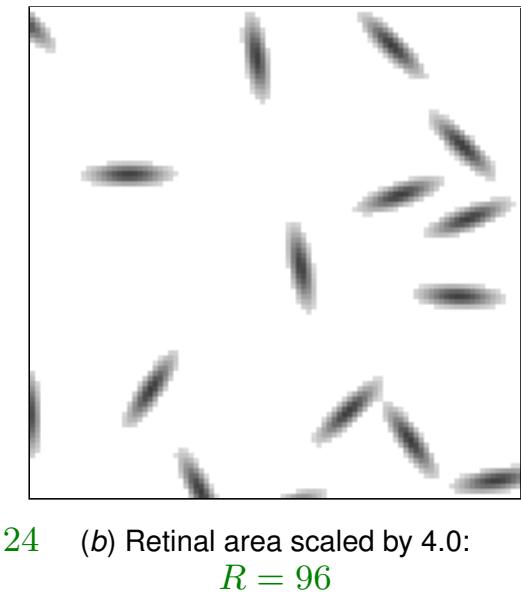


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Scaling retinal and cortical area

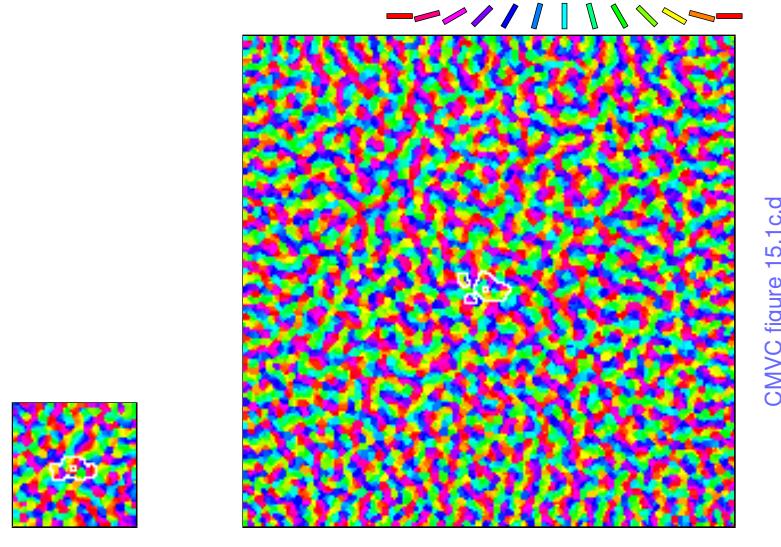


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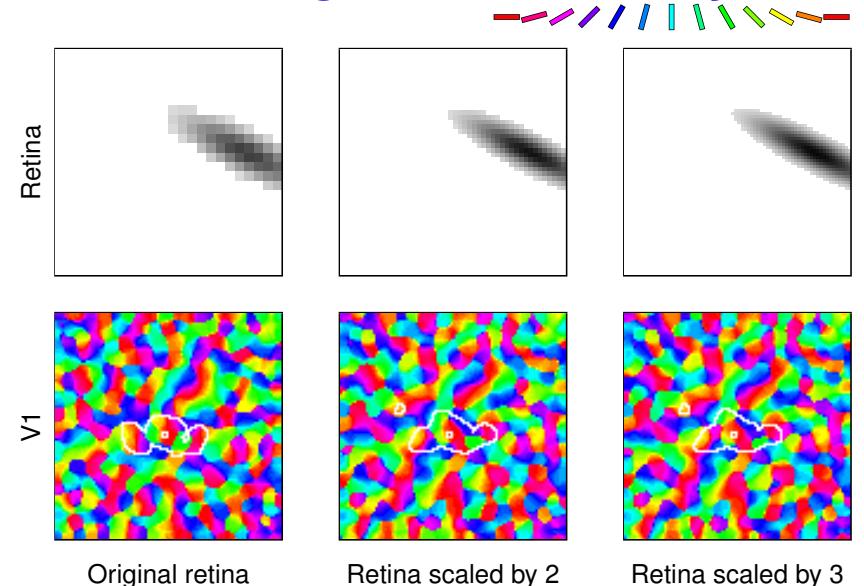


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Scaling retinal density

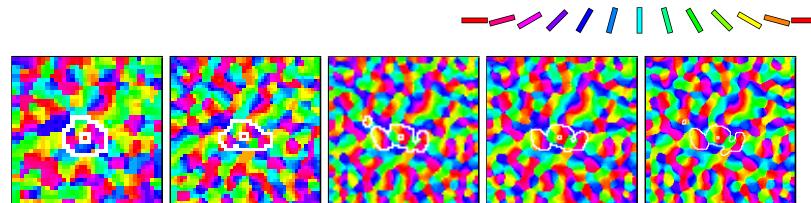


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Scaling cortical density

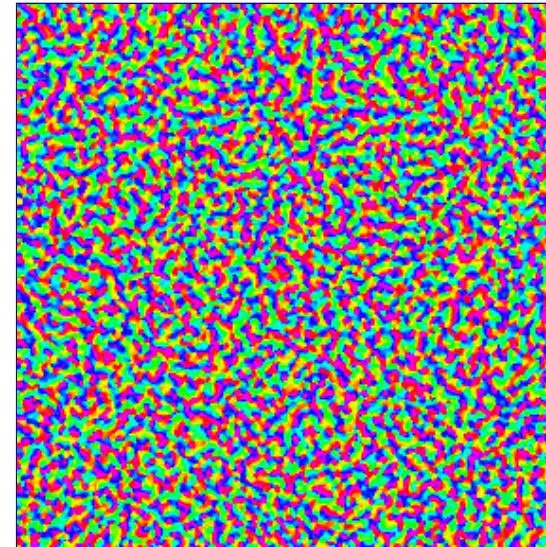


(a) 36×36 : 0.17 hours, 2.0 MB
(b) 48×48 : 0.32 hours, 5.2 MB
(c) 72×72 : 0.77 hours, 22 MB
(d) 96×96 : 1.73 hours, 65 MB
(e) 144×144 : 5.13 hours, 317 MB

Above minimum density (due to lateral radii),
density not crucial for organization

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Full-size V1 Map



- Map scaled to cover most of visual field
- Allows testing with full-size images
- 30 million connections

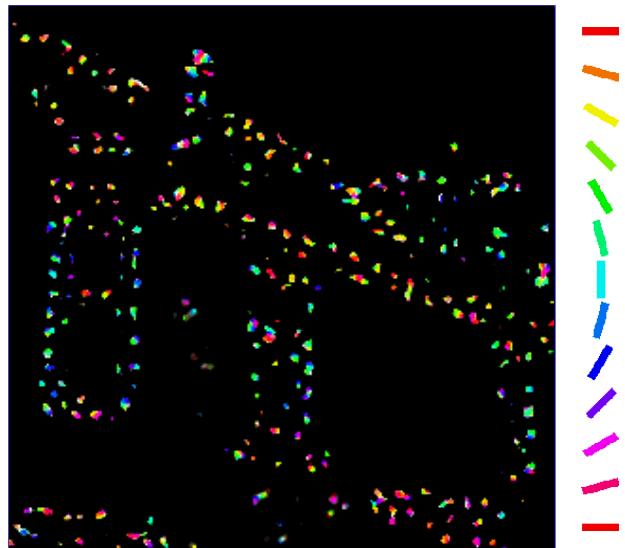
Sample Image



RGC/LGN Response



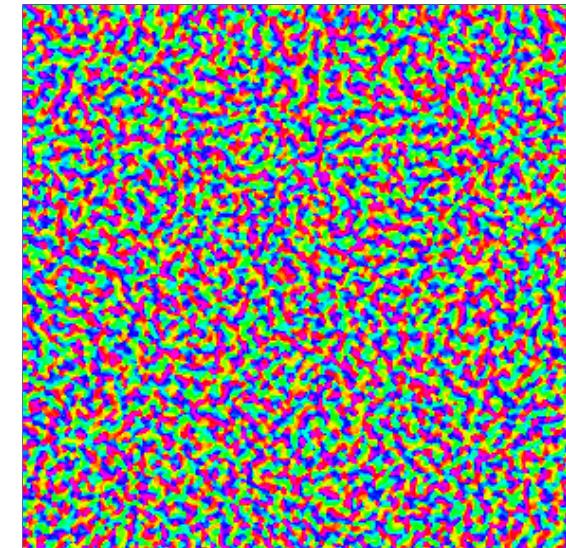
V1 Response with γ_n



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V1 Orientation Map



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Afferent normalization

LIS SOM mechanism for contrast invariant tuning:

$$s_{ij} = \frac{\gamma_A \left(\sum_{\rho ab} \xi_{\rho ab} A_{\rho ab, ij} \right)}{1 + \gamma_n \left(\sum_{\rho ab} \xi_{\rho ab} \right)}, \quad (1)$$

$\xi_{\rho ab}$: activation of unit (a, b) in afferent CF ρ of neuron (i, j)

$A_{ab,ij}$ is the corresponding afferent weight

γ_A, γ_n are constant scaling factors

GCAL achieves similar results with lateral inhibition in RGC/LGN

RGC/LGN response to large image



Retinal activation

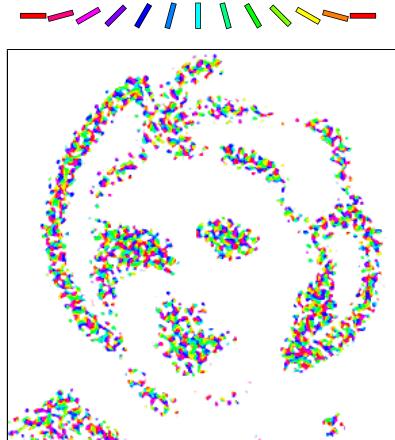
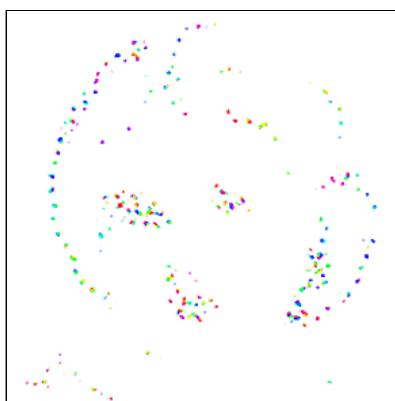


LGN response

RGC/LGN responds to most of the visible contours

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V1 without afferent normalization



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V1 response:

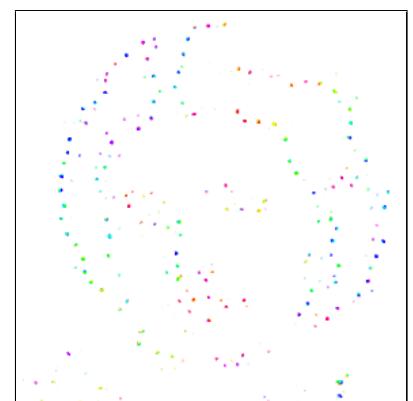
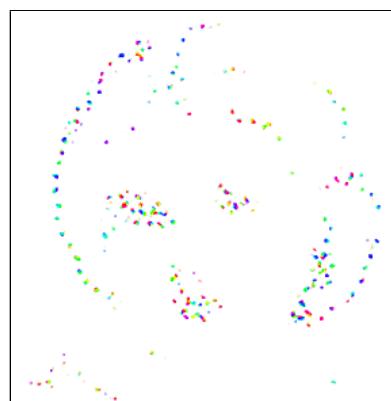
$$\gamma_n = 0, \gamma_A = 3.25$$

Cannot get selective response to all contours

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V1 with afferent normalization



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V1 response:

$$\gamma_n = 0, \gamma_A = 3.25$$

V1 response:

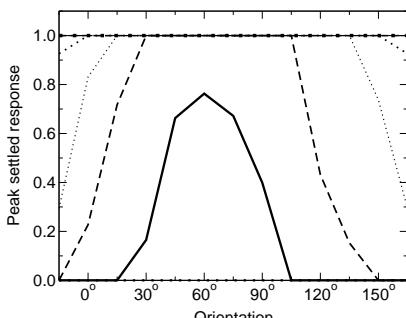
$$\gamma_n = 80, \gamma_A = 30$$

Responds based on contour, not contrast

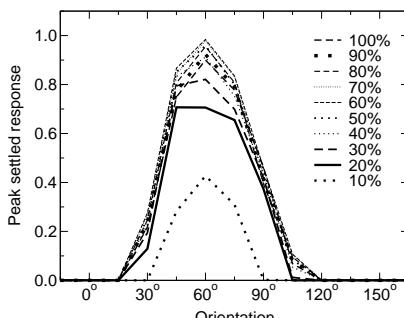
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Tuning with afferent normalization



$$\gamma_n = 0, \gamma_A = 3.25$$



$$\gamma_n = 80, \gamma_A = 30$$

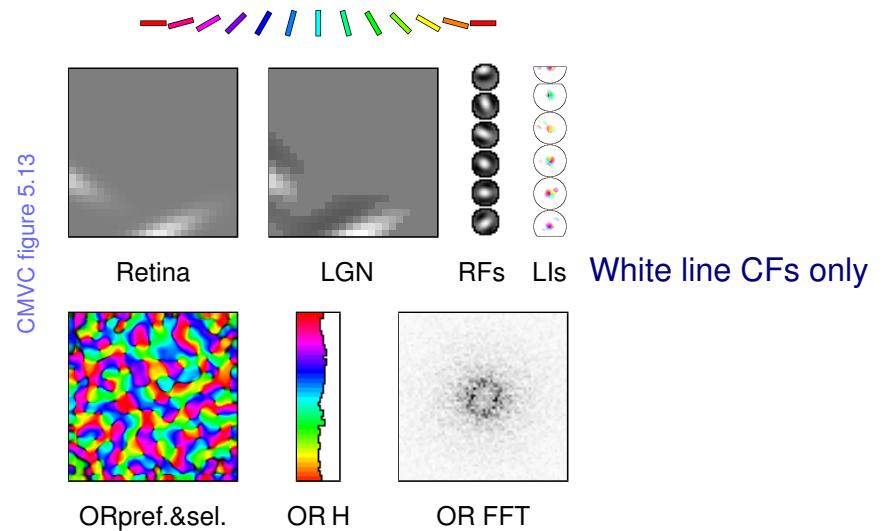
Sine grating tuning curve:

- Without γ_n : selectivity lost as contrast increases
- With γ_n : always orientation-specific

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OR Map: Gaussian

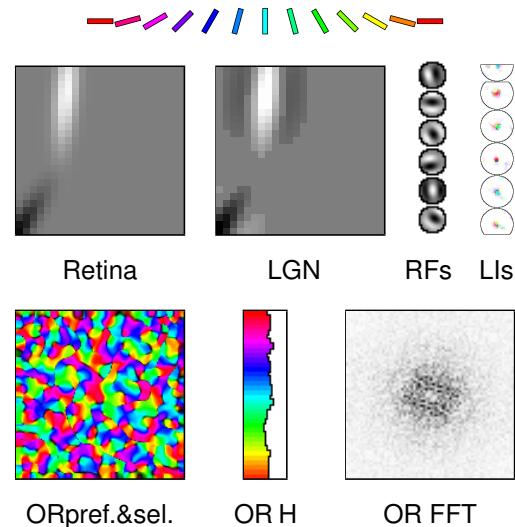


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OR Map: +/- Gaussian

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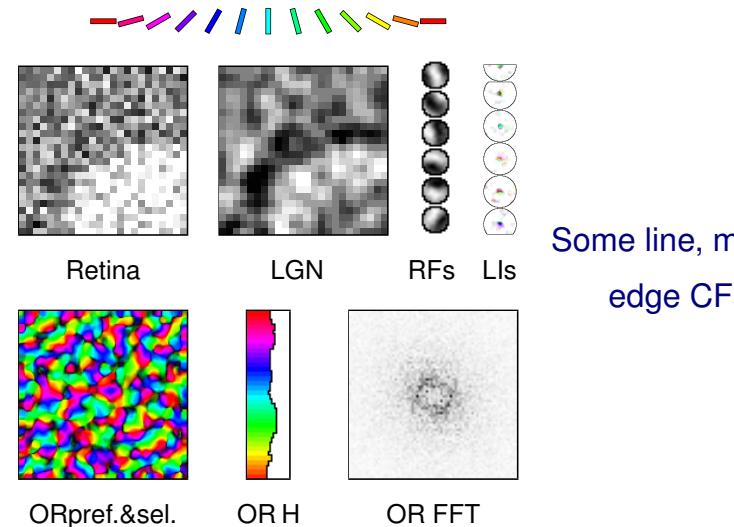


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OR Map: Retinal wave model

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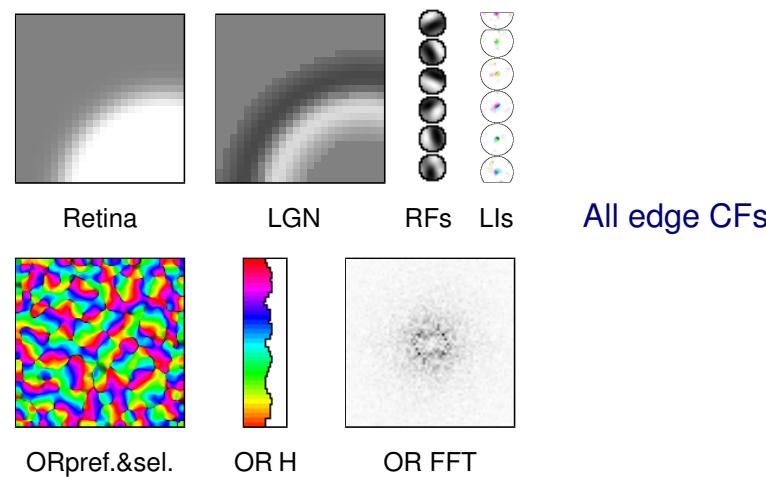


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OR Map: Smooth disks

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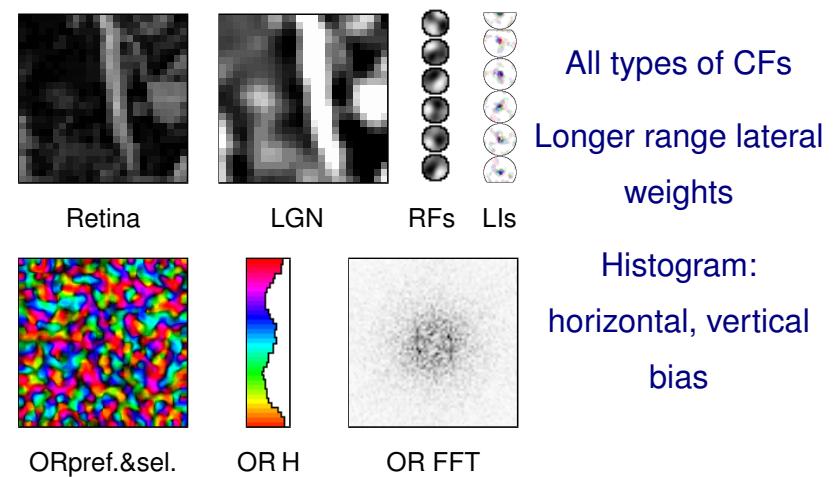


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OR Map: Natural images

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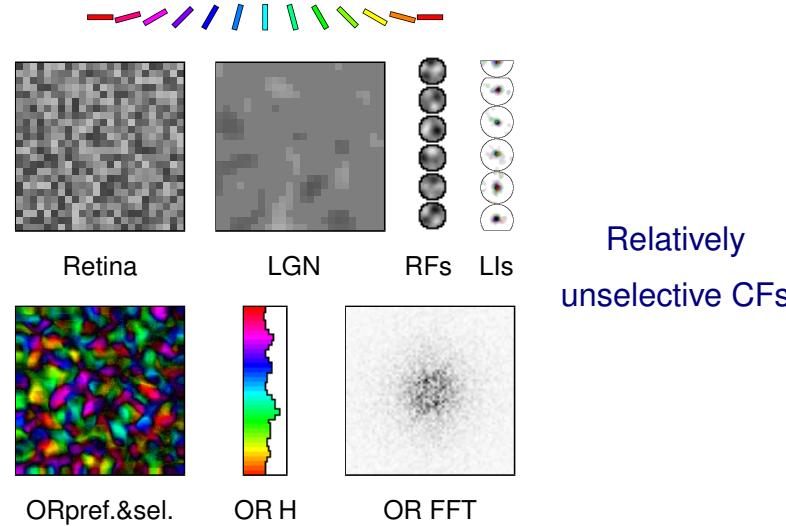


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OR Map: Uniform noise

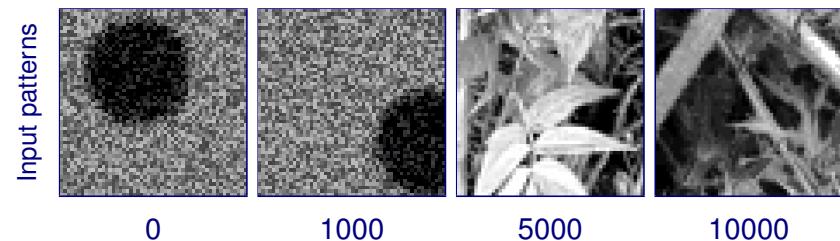
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Modeling pre/post-natal phases

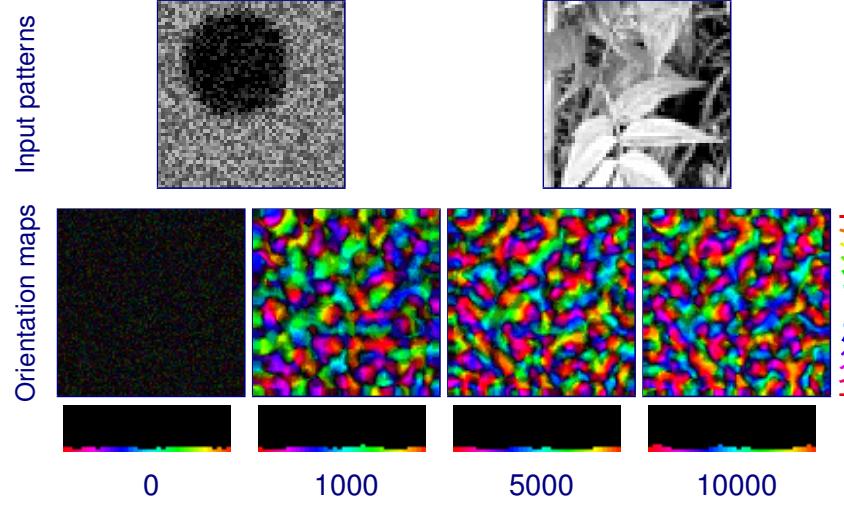


- **Prenatal:** internal activity
- **Postnatal:** natural images (Shouval et al. 1996)

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Pre/post-natal V1 development

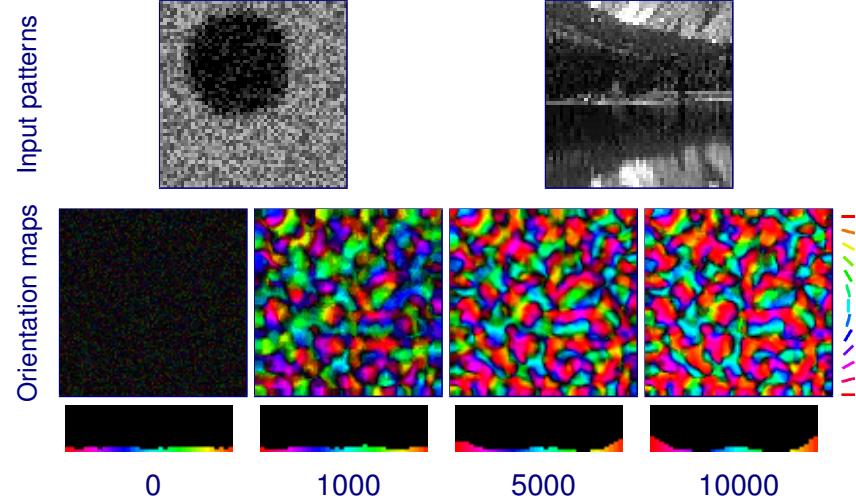


- Neonatal map smoothly becomes more selective

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Statistics drive development

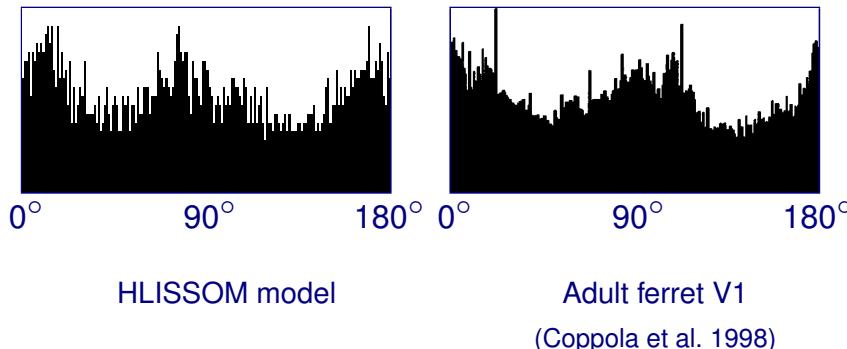


- Biased image dataset: mostly landscapes
- Smoothly changes into horizontal-dominated map

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OR Histograms

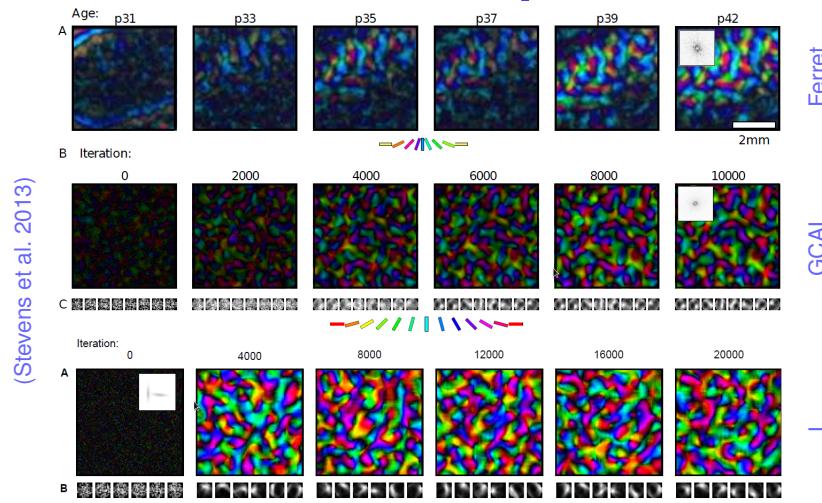


- After postnatal training on Shouval natural images, orientation histogram matches results from ferrets
- Model adapts to statistical structure of images

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Stable development

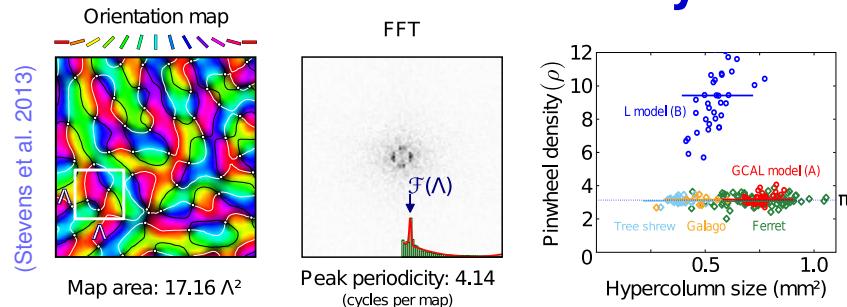


GCAL map development is stable like ferret V1; LISSOM is unstable even w/o threshold changes, radius shrinking (L)

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Pinwheel density



- Animal orientation maps have an average of π pinwheels per hypercolumn (Kaschube et al. 2010)
- GCAL is so far the only mechanistic model shown to have this property
- LISSOM probably would as well, but requires unrealistic mechanisms to do so, since L does not

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Summary

- Development depends on features of input pattern
- Orientation maps develop with many different patterns
- Develops Gabor-type CFs with most inputs
- Breaks up image into oriented patches
- Scale response by local contrast to work for large images
- Matching biology requires prenatal, postnatal phases
- Can get more elaborate: complex cells, multiple laminae/cell types, short-range inhibition, feedback, ...

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