fMRI methods and applications at high field and high resolution fMRI (methods  $\lor$  applications)  $\otimes$  (high field  $\land$  high resolution)

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# high field and high resolution fMRI educational talks

#### **ISMRM**

#### http://www.ismrm.org/14/14program.htm

	PROGRAM Moderators: Jonathan R. Polimeni, Ph.D. & Kamil Uludag, Ph.D.		
08:30	<b>T</b>	Neurovascular Coupling, Revisited	Anna Devor, Ph.D.
09:00	T 🕨	fMRI Analysis Methods: Classics & New Trends	Robert W. Cox, Ph.D.
09:25	<b>T</b> 🕨	fMRI Acquisition Strategies	David A. Feinberg, M.D., Ph.D.
09:50		Break - Meet the Teachers	
10:15	T 📘	Basic Neuroscience: fMRI Studies of Sensory Systems	Federico De Martino, Ph.D.
10:40	TI 🕨	High-Resolution fMRI in Humans: What is the Limit?	Robert Turner, Ph.D.
11:05	1	Clinical Applications of fMRI: From Presurgical Planning to Functional Connectivity	Natalie L. Voets, Ph.D.

#### study group workshops

#### http://www.ismrm.org/workshops/UHF16/



#### SIEMENS

https://www.healthcare.siemens.com/magneticresonance-imaging/magnetom-world/clinicalcorner/clinical-talks



#### "layer fMRI" YouTube channel

Layer fMRI

19.12

4 months ago + 26 views

/WK03.htm Sorry about the sound quality.

#### https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMjtQ3FD41pAh1VJz-UZGJQ



#### Alan Koretzky shows how layer fMRI reveals feed-forward vs. feedback input in plasticity ... Layer fMRI 3 months ago · 14 views This talk was given in June 2014 in Charleston, NC. source:

http://www.ismrm.org/workshops/fMRI14/program.htm.

#### Lars Muckli Predictive encoding using layerdependent fMRI Laver fMRI

Robert Turner: layer-dependent fMRI in Leipzig

Source from ISMRM 2014: http://www.ismrm.org/14/program\_files

4 months ago + 52 views source: https://www.dartmouth.edu/~ccn/workshops/workshop\_2016.html

3D Gradient and Spin Echo - GRASE 41 41 48 49

#### Benedikt Poser Talking about his 3D-EPI with CAIPI

Layer fMRI 4 months ago · 16 views source: http://www.ismrm.org/workshops/MultiSlice15/

#### Sriranga Kashyap talks about IR-EPI with TI permutating over slices Layer fMRI 2 months ago • 11 views

source from http://www.ismrm.org/16/program\_files/033.htm.

#### Amir Shmuel: resting state laminar activity Layer fMRI 4 months ago · 6 views





## 7T scanner worldwide



# high field fMRI: prospects and challenges

### Prospects:



### Challenges:

- distortions
- blurring •









Pohmann, 2016 MRM

fMRI contrast •



neural specificity •



acquisition speed •







# high-resolution, high-field fMRI publications







visual cortex

Kemper et al., 2017





Polimeni et al., 2017



Subject 2

b

Subject 1



## layer fMRI in visual cortex

### Kok, Curr Biol, 2015



### sensory motor cortex



Besle et al., 2010 Sanchez-Panchuelo et al., 2012





van der Zwaag et al., 2013

AVER-Robert





tapping imaginary Trampel et al., 2010

### auditory cortex

### the "number sense"





## Challenges of high-res/high-field fMRI and methods to account for them

signal to noise ratio (SNR)~  $\Delta x^3$ 

- going from 3 mm voxels
- to 0.75 mm voxels,
- reduces volume 64 fold.

# higher fields allow higher resolution

7T





9.4T







[Huber et al., ISMRM, 2017]

# local specificity - highway metaphor



# specific contrast candidates



graphical depiction of review articles [Uludaĝ and Blinder 2017] and [Huber et al., 2017] drawn based on Duvernoy, 1981 Brain Res







#### [Huber et al., ISMRM, 2017]





- Visual task (block design)
- Motor task (event related)





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**BOLD - fMRI** 

fQSM, Z<-1.2



7T Philips (ETH Zurich), 2D Gradient-Echo-EPI (TE=25ms, TR=3s, FA=85<sup>0</sup>, voxel-dimensions=1.25 x 1.25 x 1.3mm<sup>3</sup>, SENSE=3.5)



gradient-echo, TR=8.2ms, TE=3.79ms, FA=8<sup>o</sup>, voxel-dimensions=0.94x0.94x1mm

# simultaneous multi-slice (aka multi band)



#### z-accelerated 3D-EPI

Poser, 2010 Poser, 2013 Stirnberg, 2017

#### z-accelerated SMS & MB

Feinberg, 2010 Moeller, 2010 Setsompop, 2012

[Huber et al., NeuroImage, 2016b]

### 3D-EPI vs. SMS







[Huber et al., NeuroImage, 2016]

## 3D-EPI vs. SMS



## High-res EPI-artifacts: ghosts



# **GRAPPA** calibration data



higher SNR



corrupted ACS lines due to eye motion



fixation task helps

inverting phase encoding direction helps

FLASH GRAPPA for fMRI: Talagala et al., 20015 MRM FLEET GRAPPA for fMRI: Polimeni et al., 2016 MRM dual polarity GRAPPA for fMRI: Hoge et al., 2016 MRM



Huber et al., 2014 ISMRM

# distortion-matched anatomical reference

# $\ensuremath{\mathsf{EPI}}\xspace{-}\ensuremath{\mathsf{T}}\xspace_1$ and $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MP2RAGE}}\xspace{-}\ensuremath{\mathsf{T}}\xspace_1$





Huber et al., ISMRM 2016: Kashyap et al., 2017: Renvall NeuroImage 2016: van der Zwaag ISMRM 2016



Huber et al., ISMRM 2016











T<sub>1</sub>-Map







MP2RAGE-recon



# Conclusions

High resolutions provides new information on directionality and circuitry

Many challenges need to be accounted for simultaneously

SNR

speed



blurring



ghosting

distortion





## Thank you

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