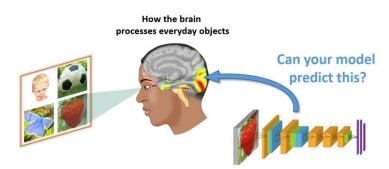


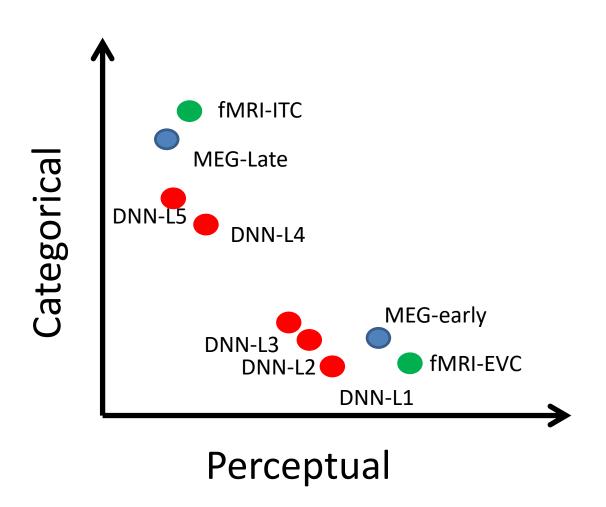
RDM mixtures for predicting visual cortices responses

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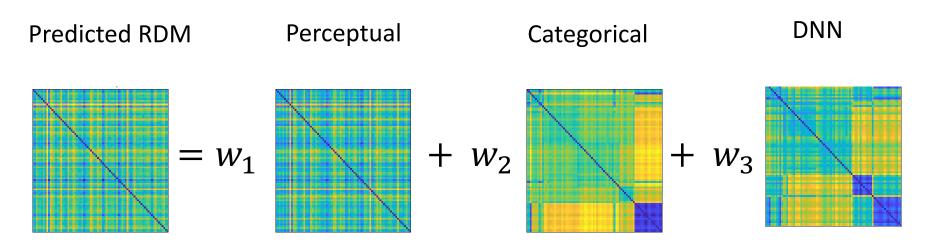
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Intuition behind our method

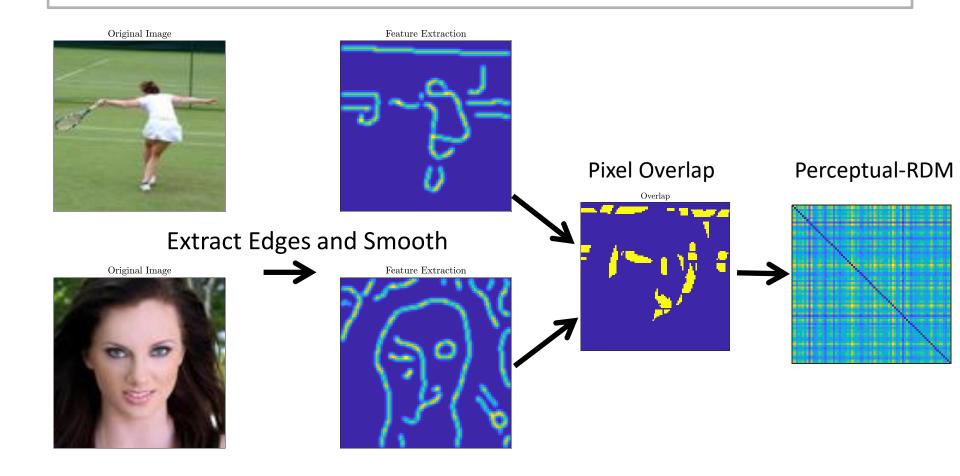


Combining RDMs to improve predictions



Perceptual RDMs

Perceptual RDMs



Only uses image information

Categorical RDMs

Categorical Structure of the 92 image set

Objects-Scenes



































Human











Fruits-vegetables

















Faces

















Hands













Monkey faces

















Animal Faces



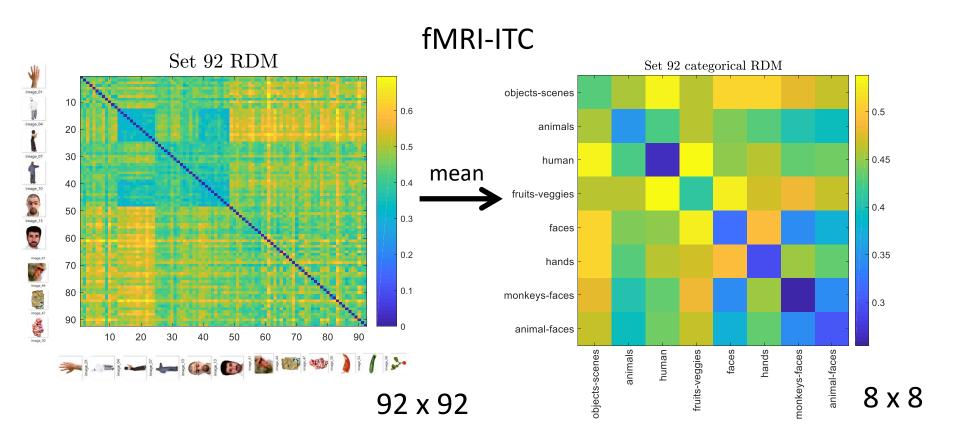








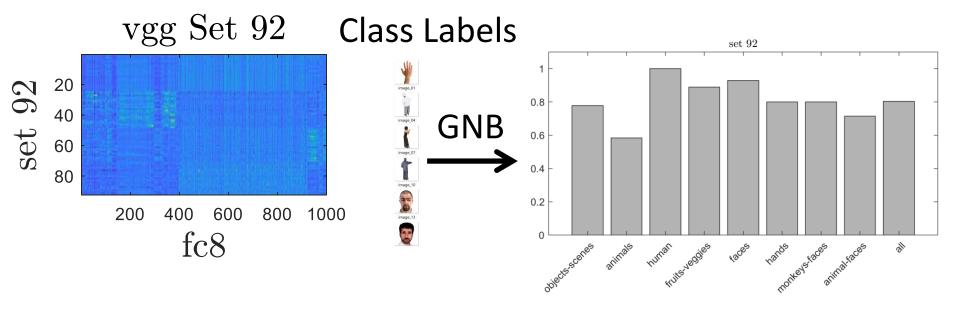
Within category RDM based on fMRI/MEG data similarity



Between image fMRI/MEG similarity

Between category fMRI/MEG similarity

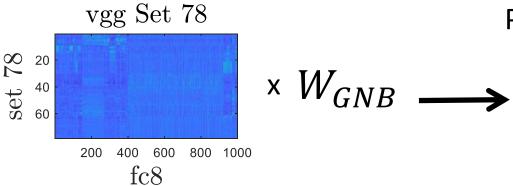
Training a GNB classifier as predicting category



Last fully connected layer (defines category membership)

Leave one out CV on the 92 image training set

Classification of the 78 test set images



Predicted Labels

Objects-Scenes animals Human Fruits-vegetables **Faces** Hands **Animal Faces**

Predicted as Human Faces



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image_70



image_71















Predicted as Animal Faces in the 78 set



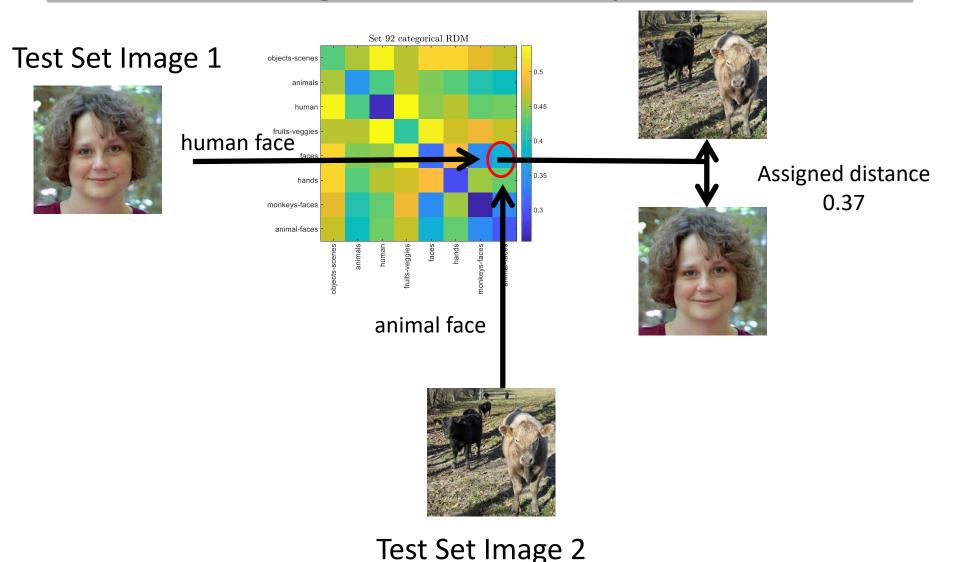




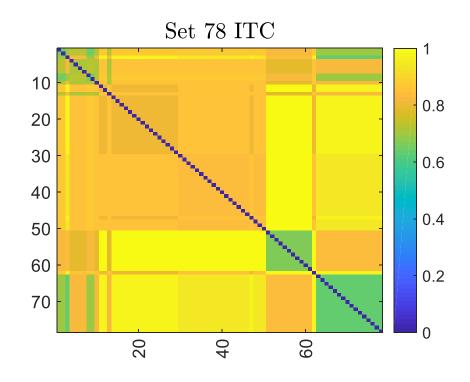




Assigning distances between new test images based on categorical RDM and predicted labels



Predicted categorical RDM for the 78 images test data

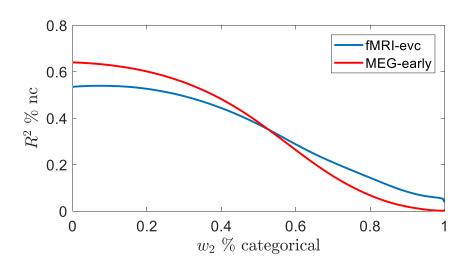


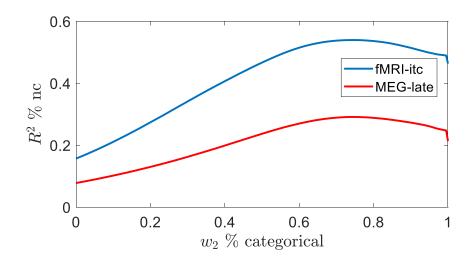
Same distance for all the images within the same category

Mixing perceptual and categorical components

$$R = (1 - w_2)R^{per} + w_2R^{cat}$$

Training data: 92 image set





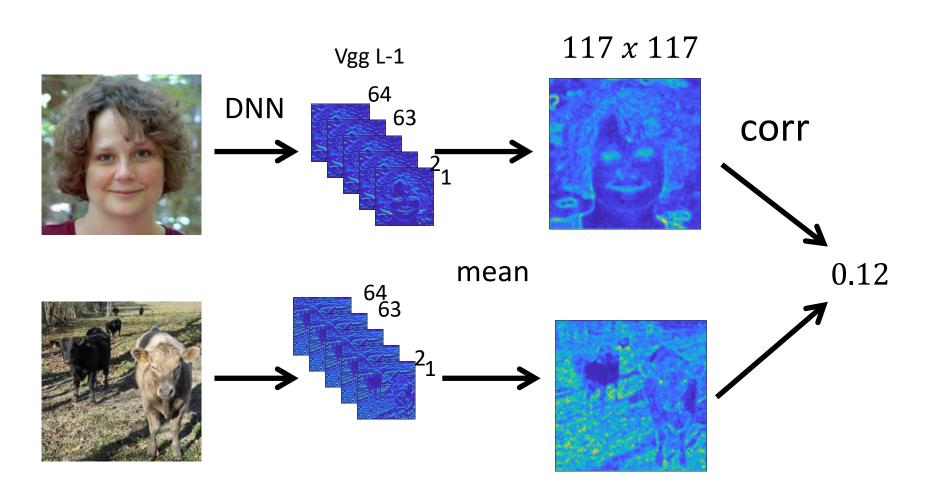
Large impact on fMRI-ITC and MEG-Late.

Results Test set: Perceptual + Categorical RDMs

	<u>fMRI</u> Noise Normalized R.^2		MEG Noise Normalized	
	(%)		R.^2 (%)	
	EVC	ITC	Early	Late
Perceptual +	25.20	20.99	45.28	44.43
Categorical				

DNN based RDMs

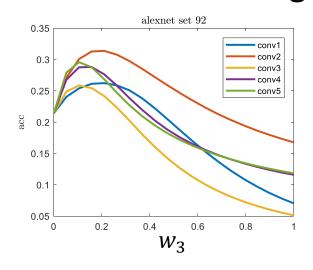
RDM based on DNN features at one layer

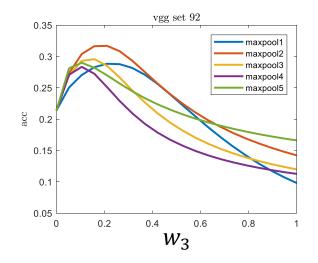


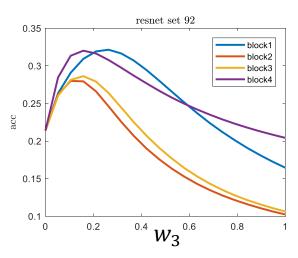
Model Improvement including DNN Based RDMs

$$R = (1 - w_3)R^{(per+cat)} + w_3R^{dnn}$$

Improvement of \mathbb{R}^2 (explained variance) in EVC for the 92 image set







Results Test set including DNNs

	fMRI Noise Normalized R.^2 (%)		MEG Noise Normalized R.^2 (%)		
	EVC	ITC	Early	Late	
Perceptual +	25.20	20.99	45.28	44.43	
Categorical					
Perceptual +	32.88	-	50.95	53.59	
Categorical +	vgg-L3		alexnet	alexnet L5	
DNN	vgg-L4		L3,L5	vgg L5	
	vgg-L5			resnet L4	

Conclusions

- A mixture of perceptual and categorical RDMs made the largest contribution to the prediction accuracy in fMRI-ITC/MEG-Late.
- VGG was the DNN that produced the largest improvement on the model performance.
- However, it is necessary to evaluate the perceptual-categorical vs DNN contribution in the inverse order.