

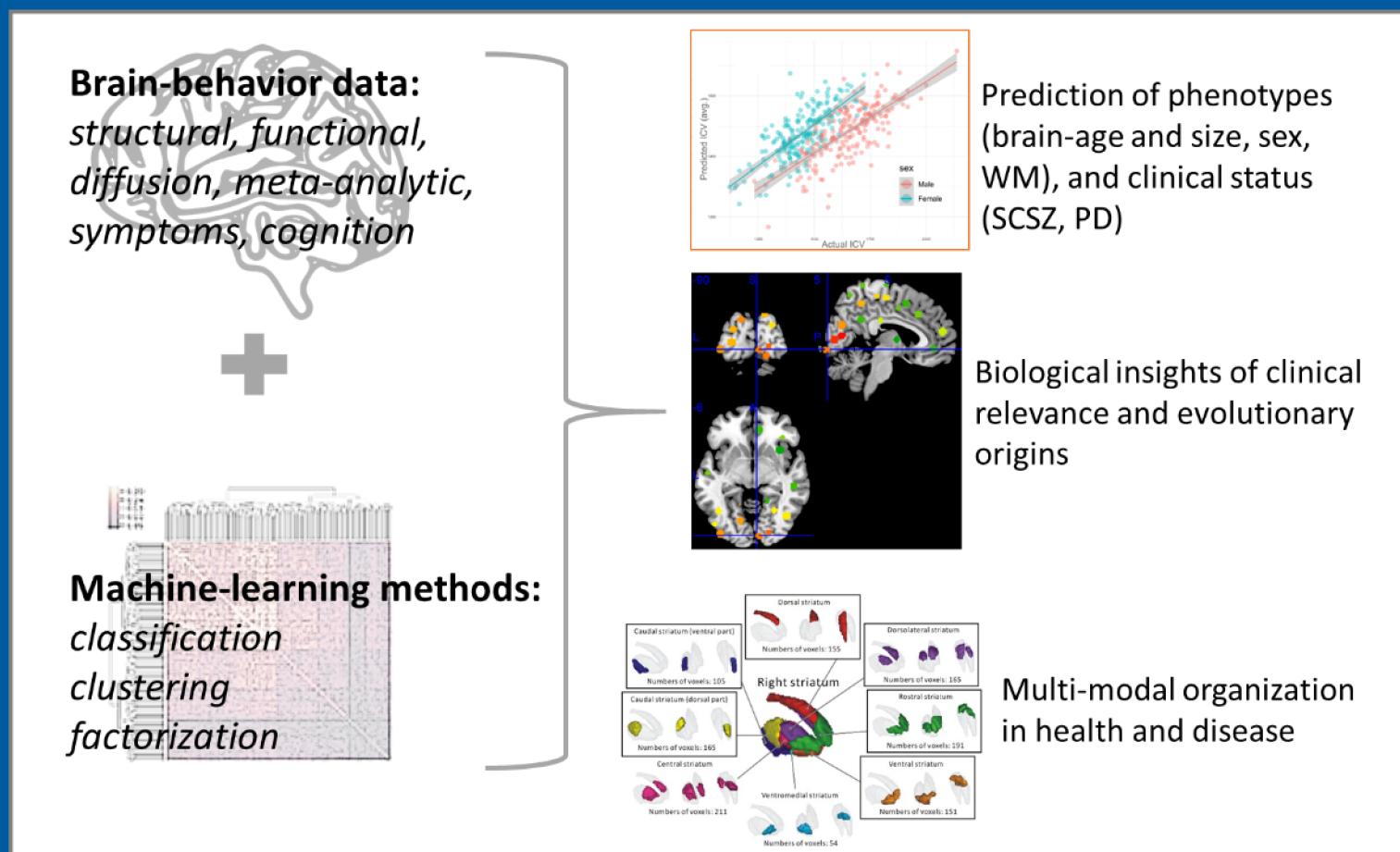
# Machine learning applications and challenges

## In the medical domain

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*“We become what we behold.  
We shape our tools and then our tools shape us.”*

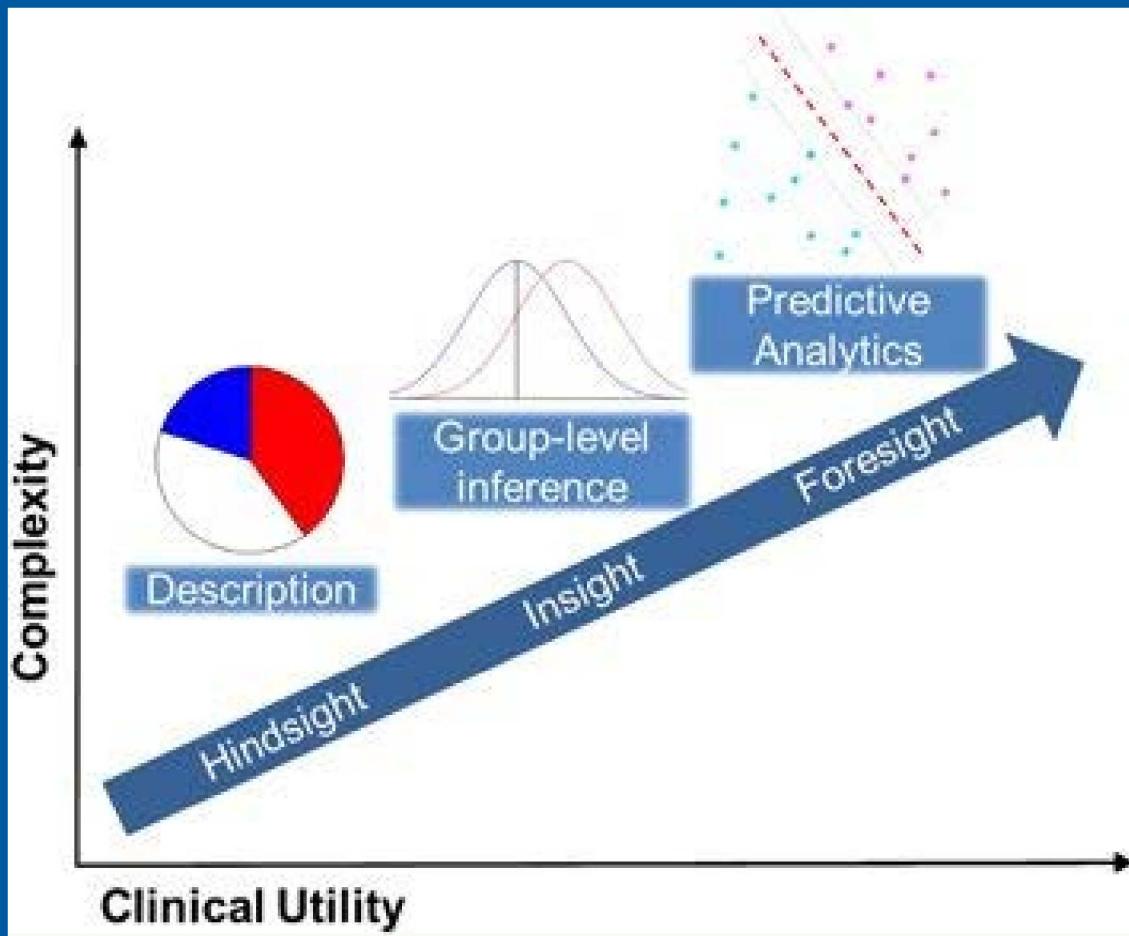
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Marshall McLuhan

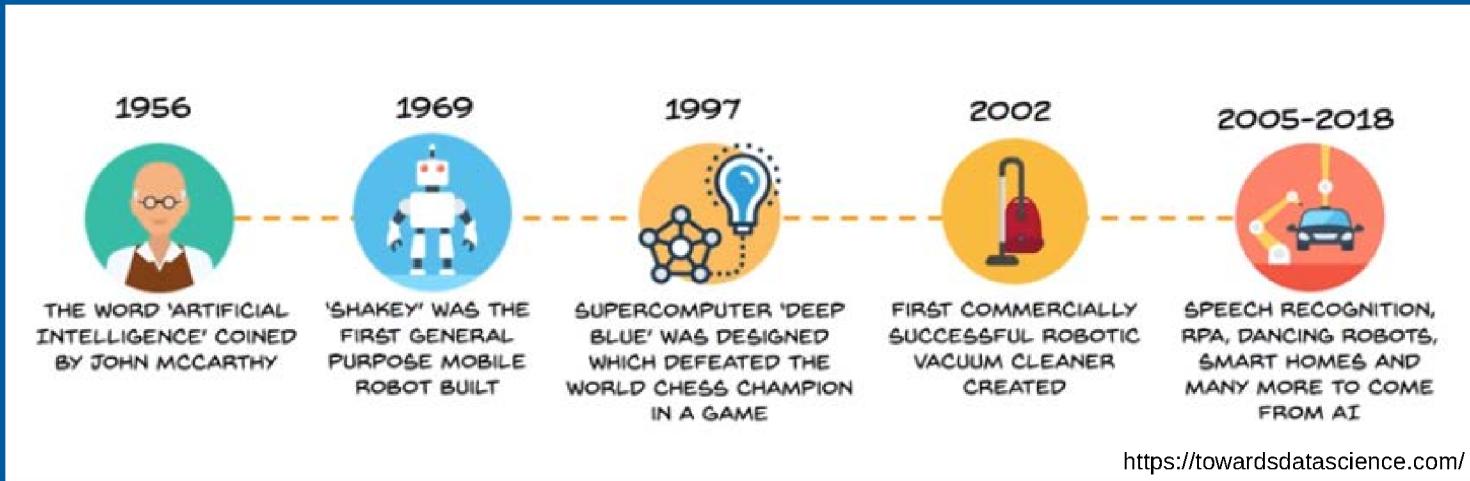
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# What is ML/AI?



Hahn et. al. 2017 Mol. Psych.

# Since 60s: so why now?



Lots of data

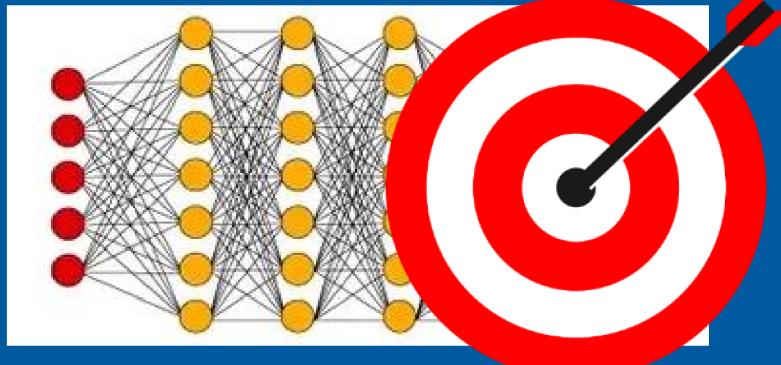


Fast computers



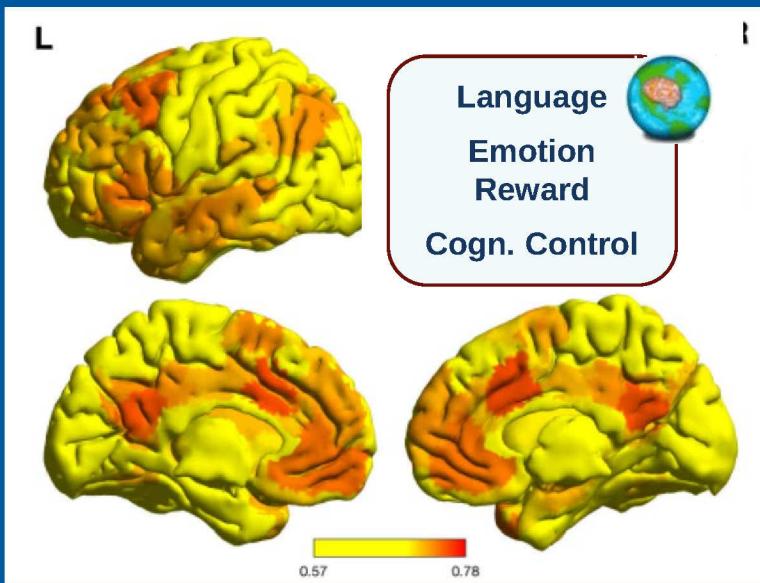
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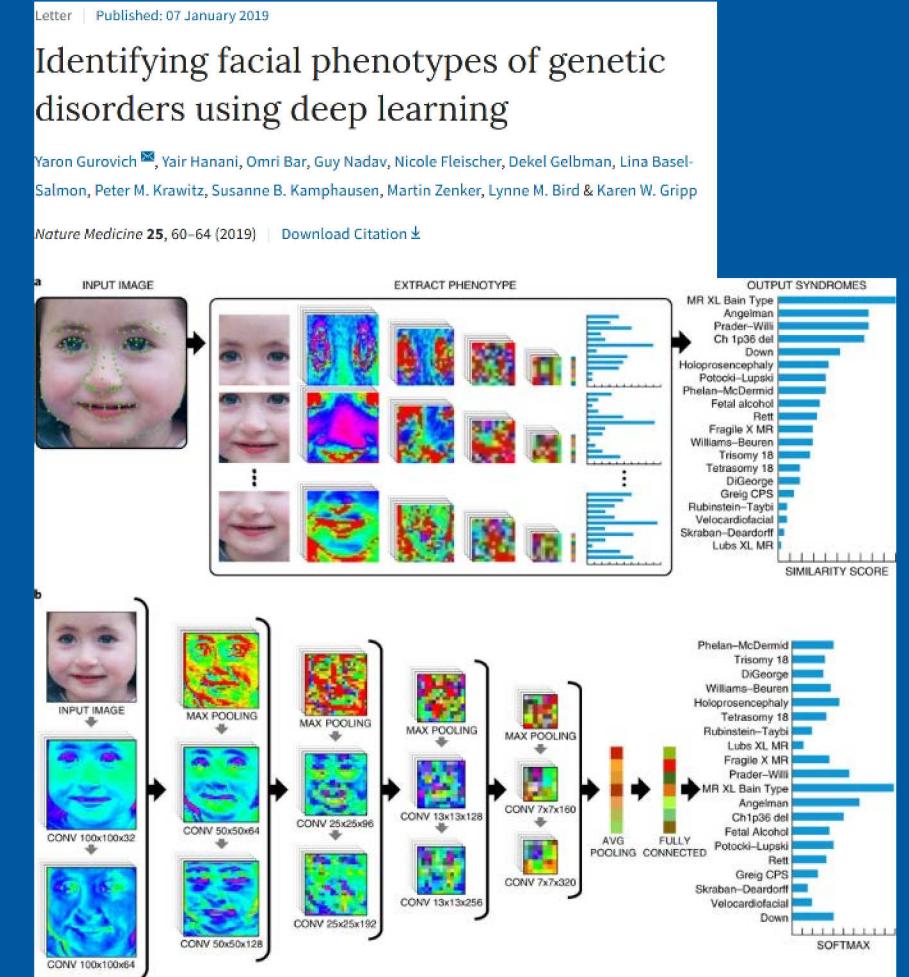


[www.helmholtz.de](http://www.helmholtz.de)

# Utopia?



We can accurately predict sex of a new subject from region-wise FC profiles  
(SVM, nested optimization, between-sample prediction, N=434/310)



# Dystopia?

The New York Times

## Inside China's Dystopian Dreams: A.I., Shame and Lots of Cameras

A video showing facial recognition software in use at the headquarters of the artificial intelligence company Megvii in Beijing.  
Gillian Sabin for The New York Times

By Paul Mozur

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/07/08/business/china-surveillance-technology.html>

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## The Weaponization Of Artificial Intelligence



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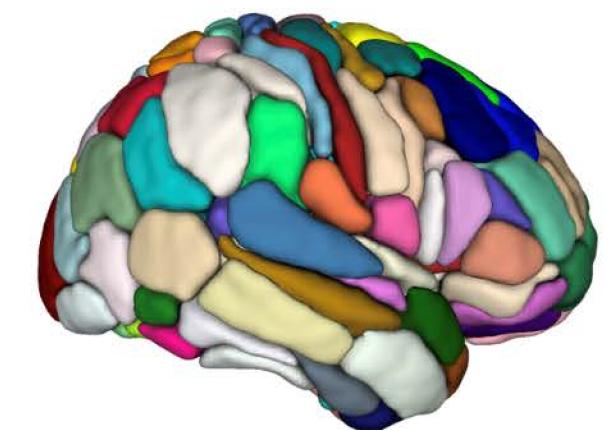
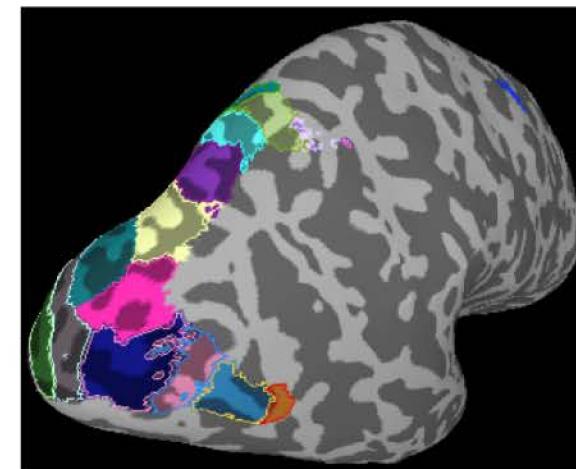
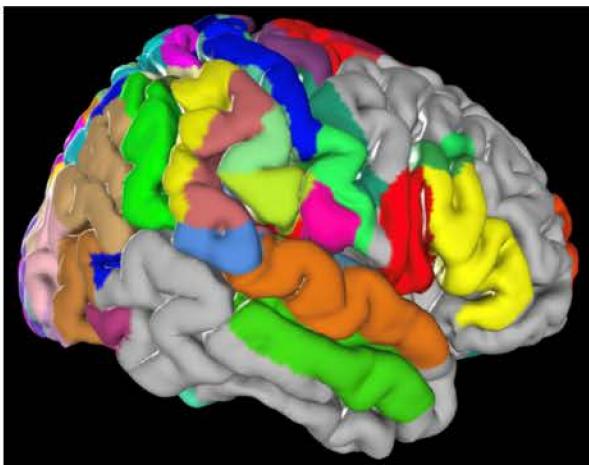
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The reality of the rise of autonomous weapons systems SHUTTERSTOCK ENHANCED BY COGWORLD

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/cognitiveworld/2019/01/14/the-weaponization-of-artificial-intelligence/#20d4a6873686>

**Knowledge on  
brain organization:  
functional neuroanatomy**

**Machine-learning to predict  
behavioral or clinical  
phenotypes from MRI-data**



# Outline

- Machine learning
- Sex classification: replication
- Schizophrenia subtypes: data separation

# Machine learning: why to use it?

*Machine learning is not magic; it can't get something from nothing.* (Domingos, 2012)

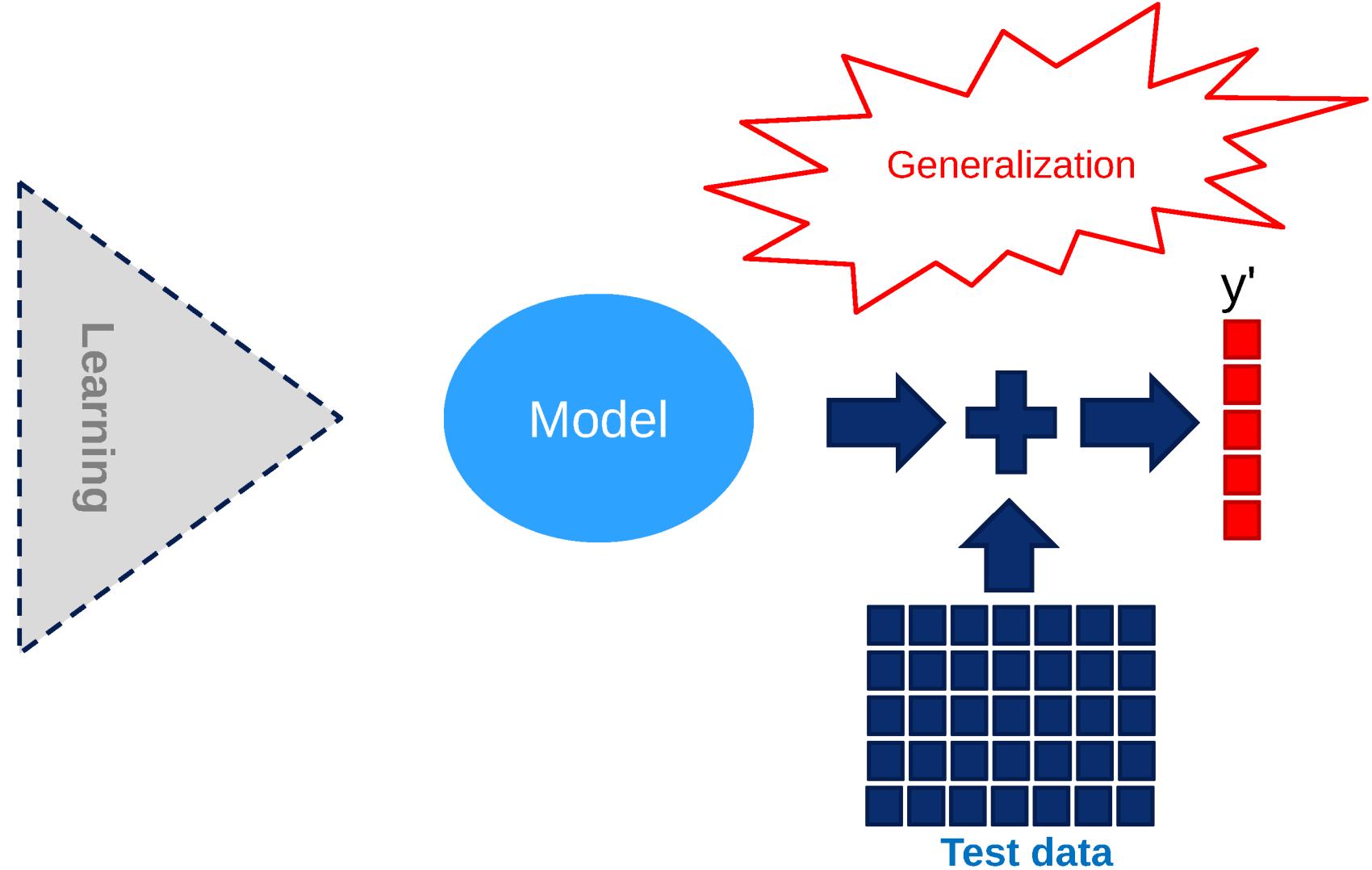
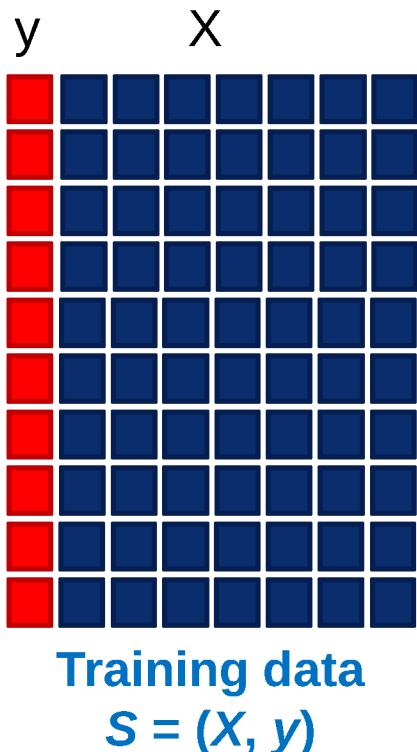
**Patterns** are often more informative than individual variables

- e.g. any logical function
- Univariate methods cannot identify those
  - Multiple testing correction issue (lower power)

**Generalizable** solutions that work on unseen data

- Fewer false positives (not guaranteed)
- Predictive analytics
- Practical applications: e.g. clinical status/score prediction

# Machine learning



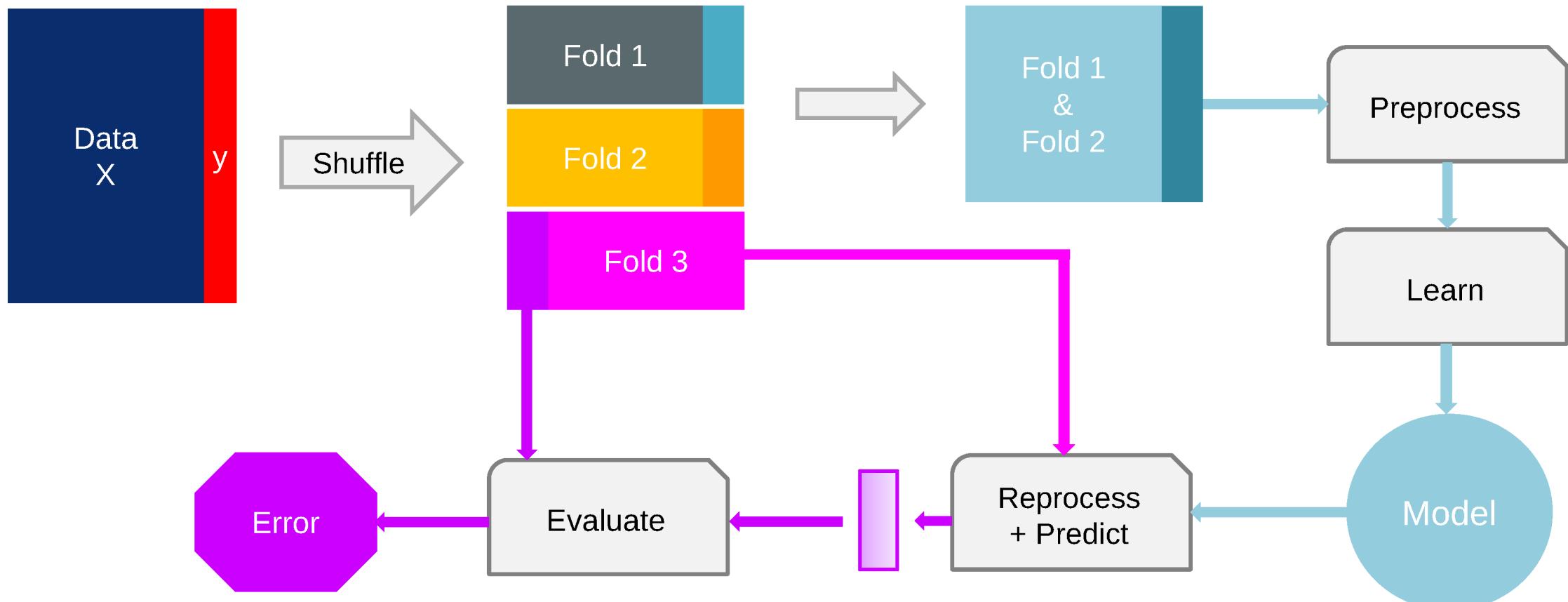
**“The fundamental goal of machine learning is to generalize beyond the examples in the training set. This is because, no matter how much data we have, it is very unlikely that we will see those exact examples again at test time.”** (Domingos, 2012, A Few Useful Things to Know about Machine Learning)

# Challenge: Generalization (avoid over-fitting)

- **The fundamental goal of machine learning is to generalize beyond the examples in the training set. This is because, no matter how much data we have, it is very unlikely that we will see those exact examples again at test time.** (Domingos, 2012)
- But we only one dataset!
- Fit on the complete data
  - Model describes the „training“ data well
  - Fails to generalize on „unseen“ data

# K-fold cross-validation

Estimate performance on “unseen” data

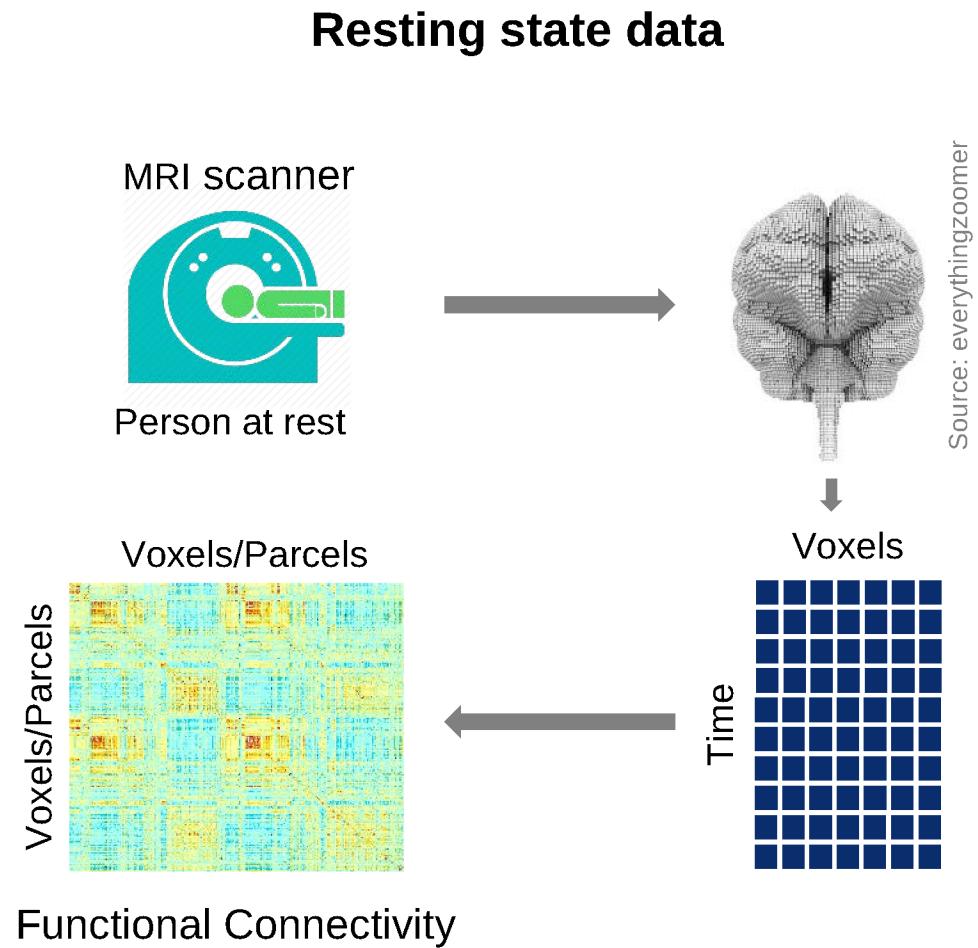


Preprocess

This becomes part of the model.  
Mean-centering, Z-score, PCA etc. applied only to the training data.  
The parameters should be retained and applied to the test data.

# Predict biological traits / clinical status using neuroimaging data

- **Aim:** Generalization models
- **Aim:** Interpretable results
- **Data:** Resting-state data
  - Easy to acquire
  - Intrinsic properties of brain function
- **Issue:** High dimensions
  - Leads to over-fitting



# Issue 1: High dimensions

- Over-fitting
  - Curse of dimensionality
- Results might not be interpretable
- **... our intuitions, which come from a three-dimensional world, often do not apply in high-dimensional ones.** (Domingos, 2012)

# Our approach

## *a priori* feature reduction: parcel-wise or pre-defined networks

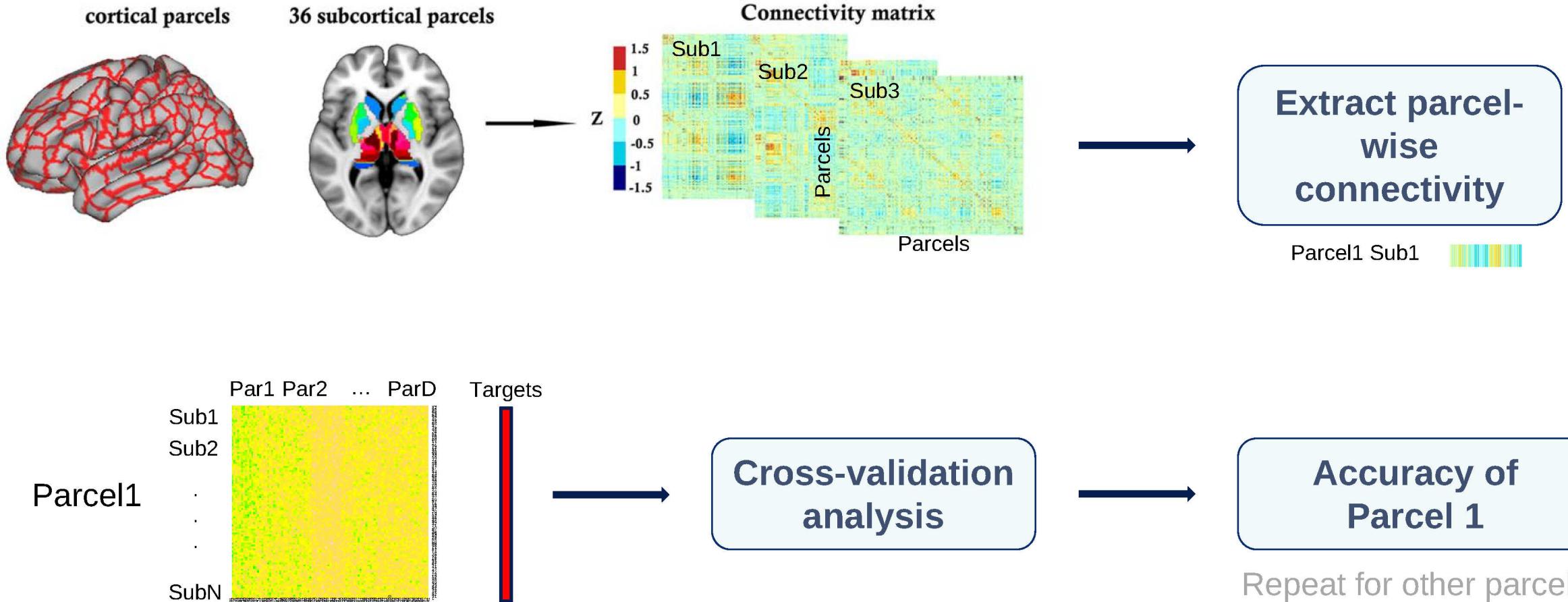
### Whole-brain analysis

- Too many features
  - 200 nodes: ~20,000 features
  - #features >> #subjects
- Machine learning
  - Need for feature selection
  - Accuracy can suffer
- Interpretation is difficult

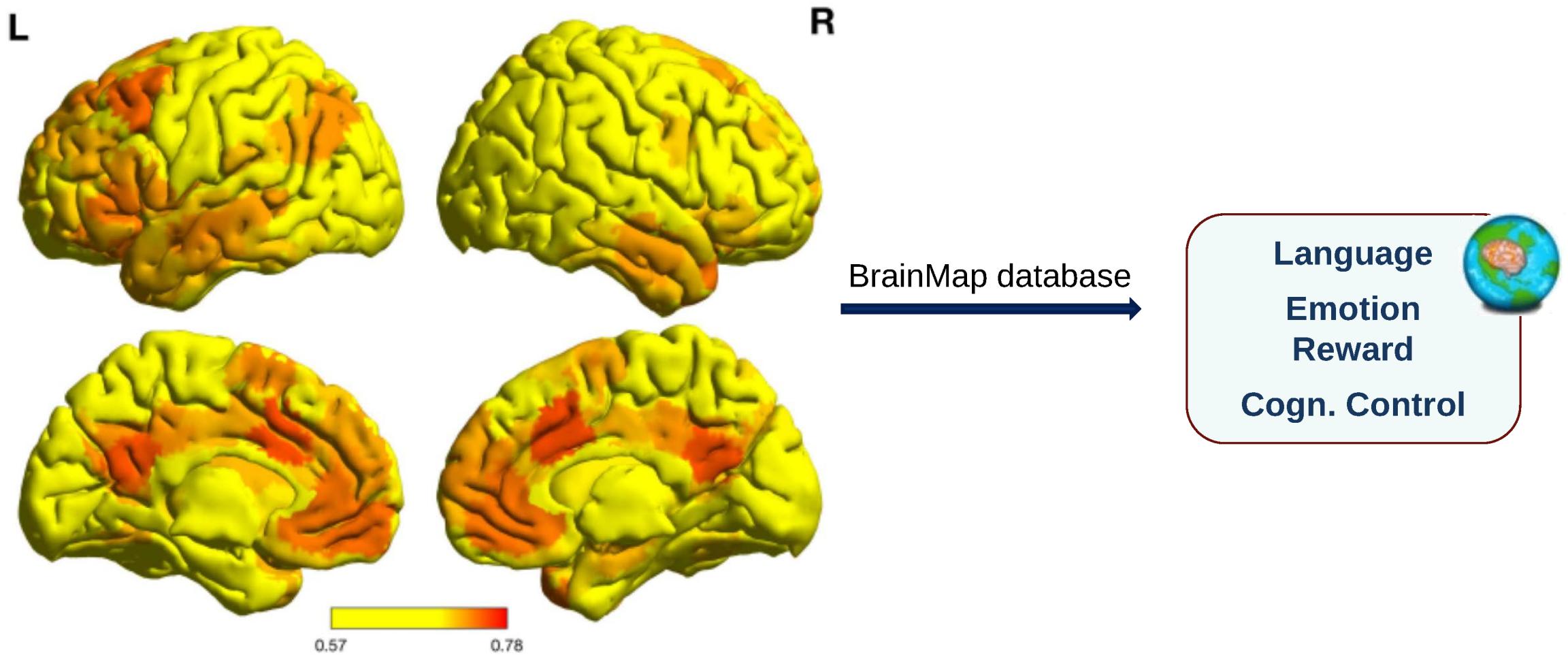
### Parcel/Network-based analysis

- Reasonable number of features
  - 200 nodes: ~200 features
  - #features > #subjects
- Machine learning
  - a priori feature selection
  - Better predictions
- Interpretable results

# Parcel-based classification



# Mapping fingerprint – phenotype relationships



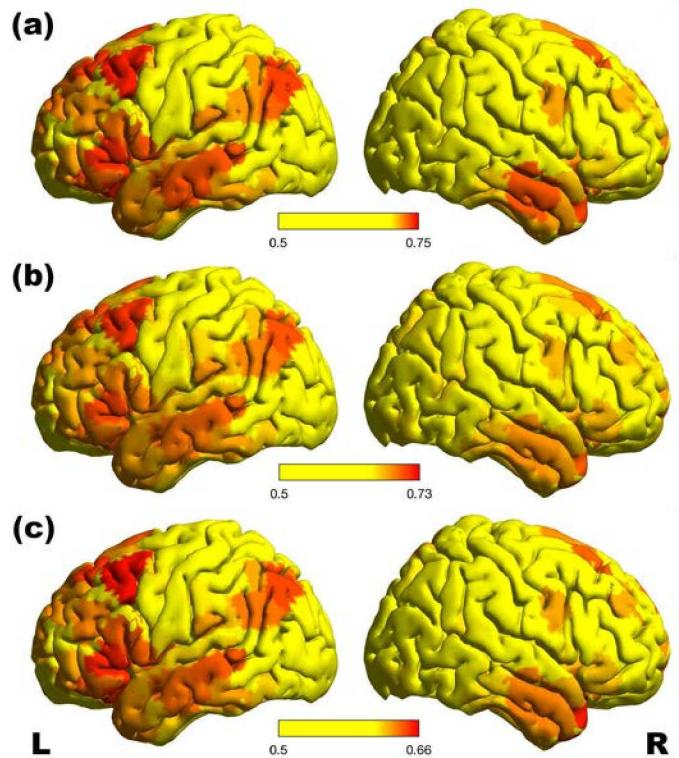
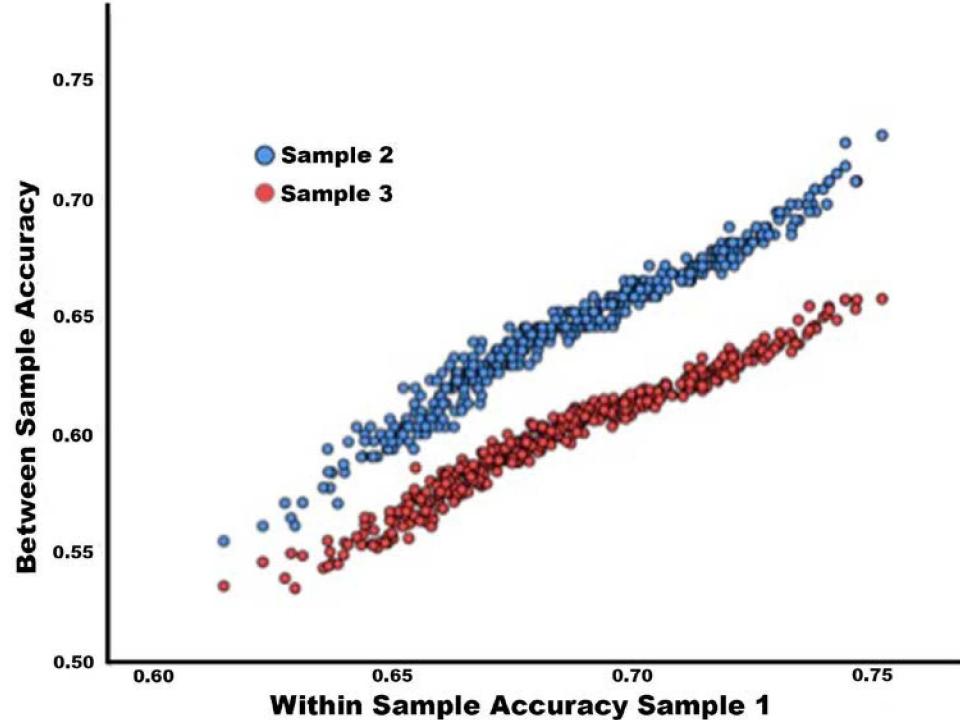
Accurate prediction sex of a new subject from region-wise FC profiles  
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# Cross-sample prediction: generalization check

Susanne Weis



Weis, Patil et. al,  
Sex Classification by  
Resting State Brain  
Connectivity,  
*Cerebral Cortex* 2019



Similar performance on  
other datasets.  
Solution is  
generalizable.



Sample 1 and 2 = Human Connectome Project

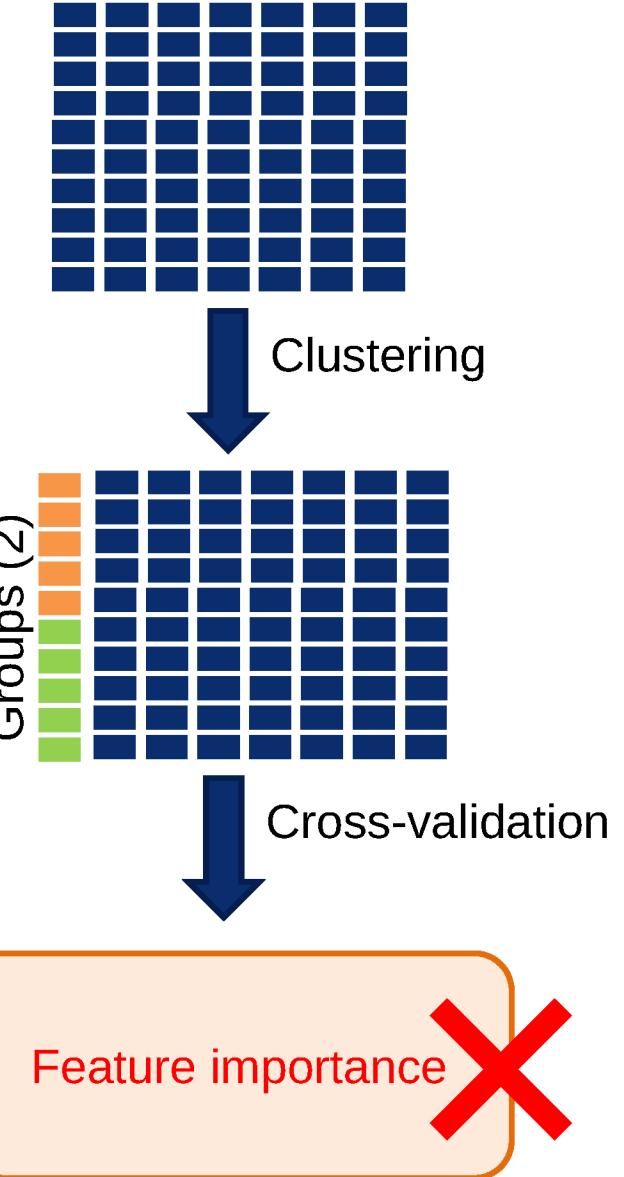


Sample 3 = FZJ 1000 brains study



## Issue 2: Double-dipping (limited data)

- Over-fitting
  - Data-leakage
- Misleading results (false positives)



# Our approach

## *Two-step solution*

### **Step 1: Symptomatology**

- Subtypes
  - Clinical symptom scales
  - Factorization
  - Clustering analysis

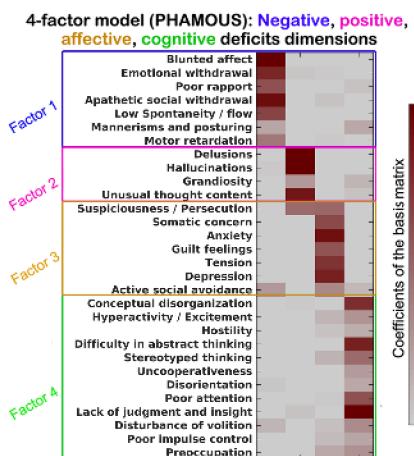
### **Step 2: Neuroimaging**

- Resting-state data
- Subtypes from Step 1
- Cross-validation analysis
- Interpretable results

# Mapping fingerprint – pathology relationships

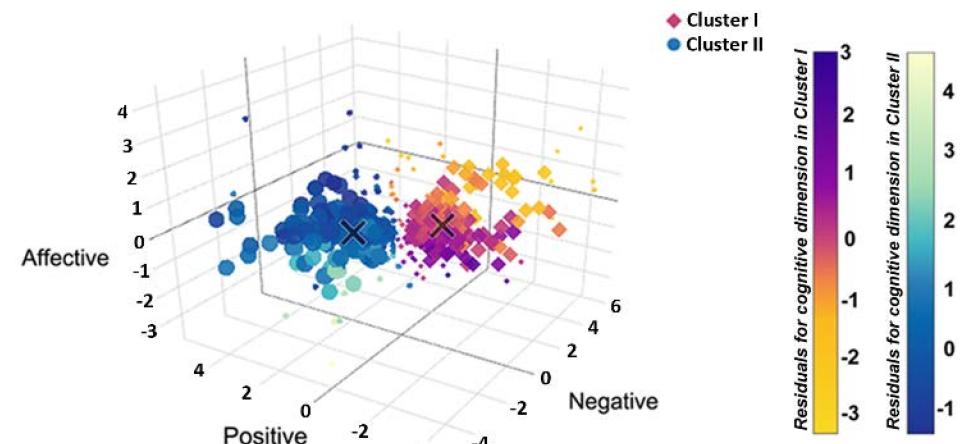
Step 1: Symptomatology → Groups

Robust low-rank  
description of SCZ  
psychopathology  
from >2000 patients



Orthogonal Non-Negative  
Matrix Factorization

Two core phenotypical  
subtypes

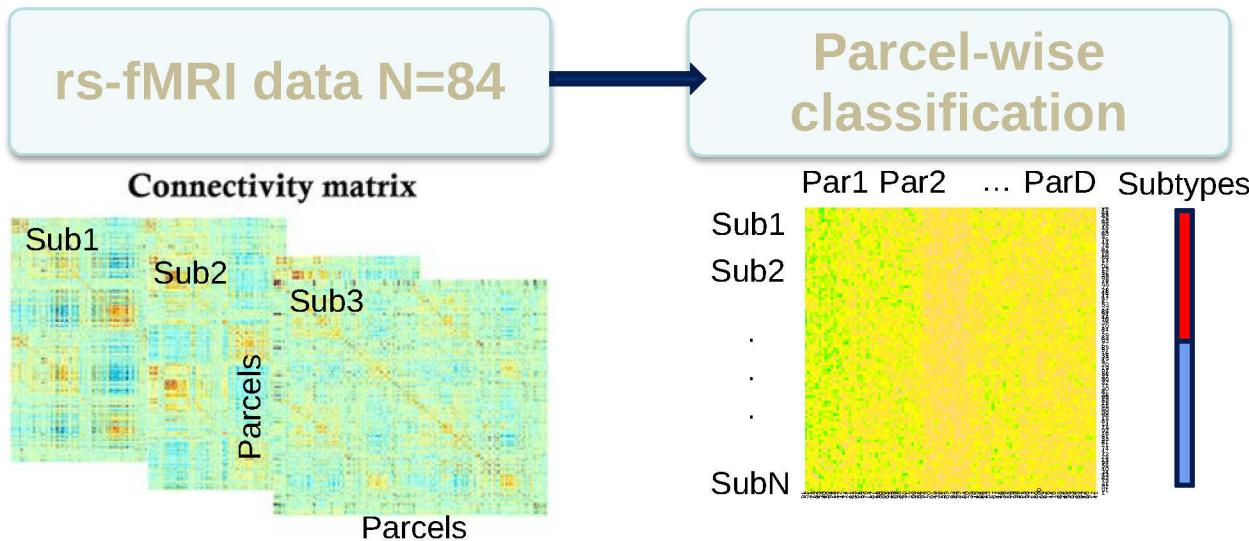


K-means  
Gaussian Mixture Modelling

# Schizophrenia subtypes and brain basis

Step 2: Groups → Brain regions

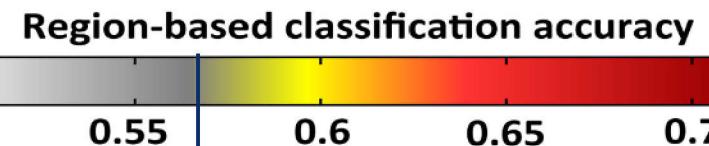
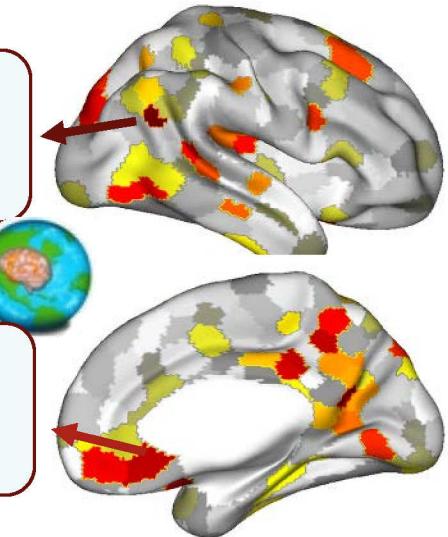
Chen, Patil et. al,  
Neurobiological divergence of the positive and  
negative schizophrenia subtypes identified upon  
a new factor-structure of psychopathology using  
non-negative factorization: An international  
machine-learning study,  
*Biological Psychiatry* 2019 (accepted)



Social Cognition  
Theory of Mind  
Face Perception

brainmap

Reward  
Reasoning  
Mood induction



Whole brain connectome classification accuracy: 0.57

Regional FC profiles support  
subtype discrimination

# Other issues

- **Feature selection / construction**
  - “Over-optimization is root of all non-generalization”
  - Solutions are often over-fitted
- **Data privacy**
  - Fingerprint analysis
    - 95% identification with high quality scan
  - Deep networks can retain too much information
- **... developing successful machine learning applications requires a substantial amount of “black art” that is difficult to find in textbooks.** (Domingos, 2012)

Thank you!



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# Rank Selection in Non-negative Matrix Factorization

Laura Mazzarelli

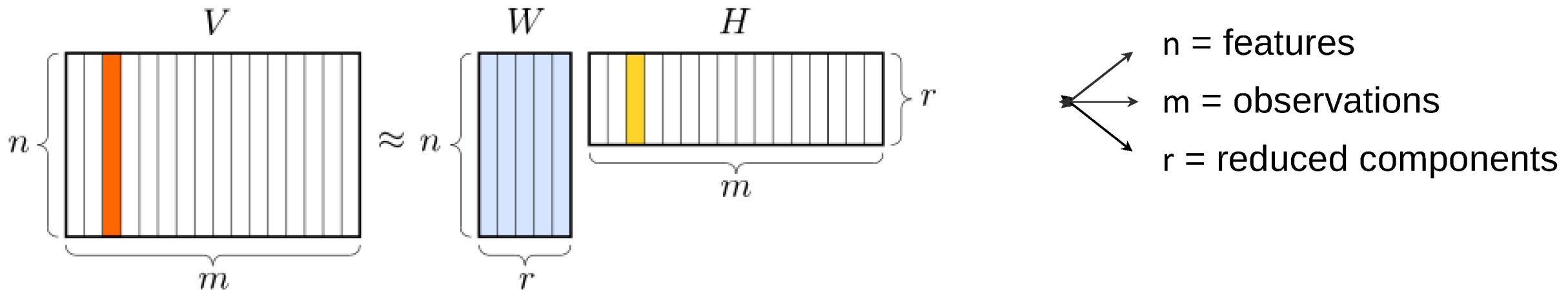


Mazzarelli, Weis, Eickhoff & Patil,  
Rank Selection in Non-negative  
Matrix Factorization: Systematic  
Comparison and a New MAD Metric  
*IJCNN 2019*

- Non-Negative Matrix Factorization
  - Powerful dimensionality reduction
  - Rank Selection Problem
- Rank Selection Methods
  - Stability vs. imputation
  - Our proposal: MADimput
- Data properties impact rank selection
  - Sparsity
  - Intrinsic dimensionality

# Non-negative matrix Factorization (NMF)

## Basic properties of NMF



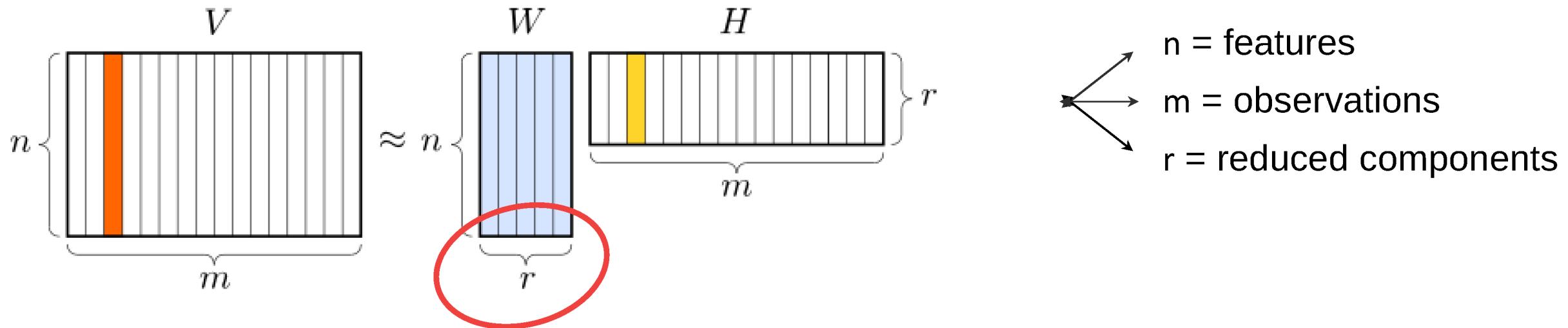
$$\|V - WH\|_2 \quad \text{subject to } W \geq 0, H \geq 0$$

part-based representation

interpretability

# Rank selection problem

Need to find dimensionality of reduced representation



Crucial to select “best” rank  
mostly when no prior knowledge

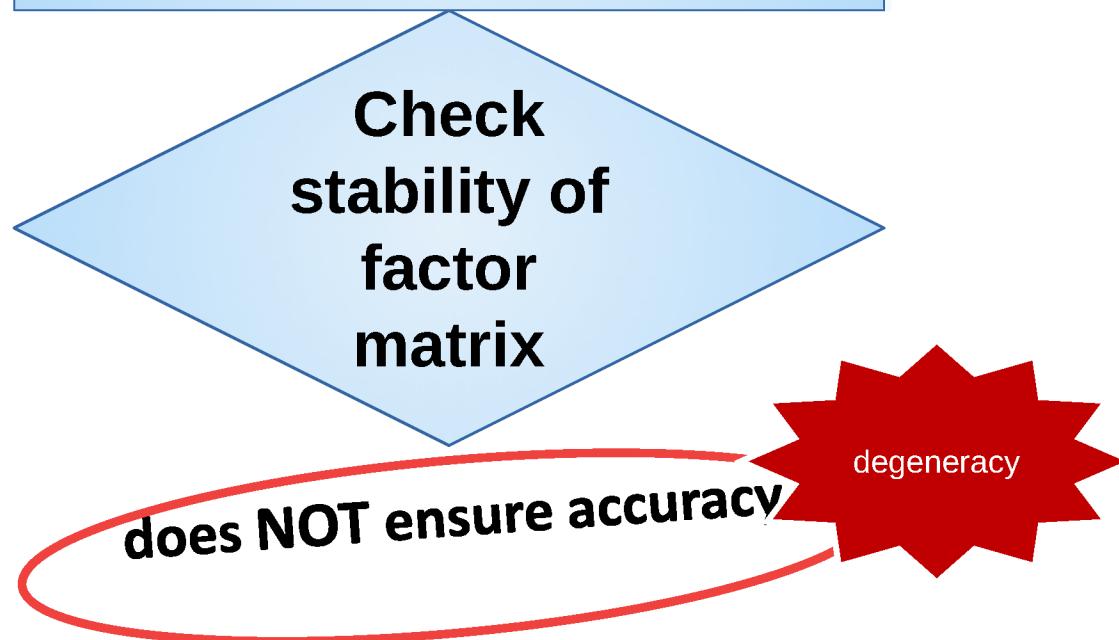


what is “best”  
& which metric to use?

# Rank selection approaches

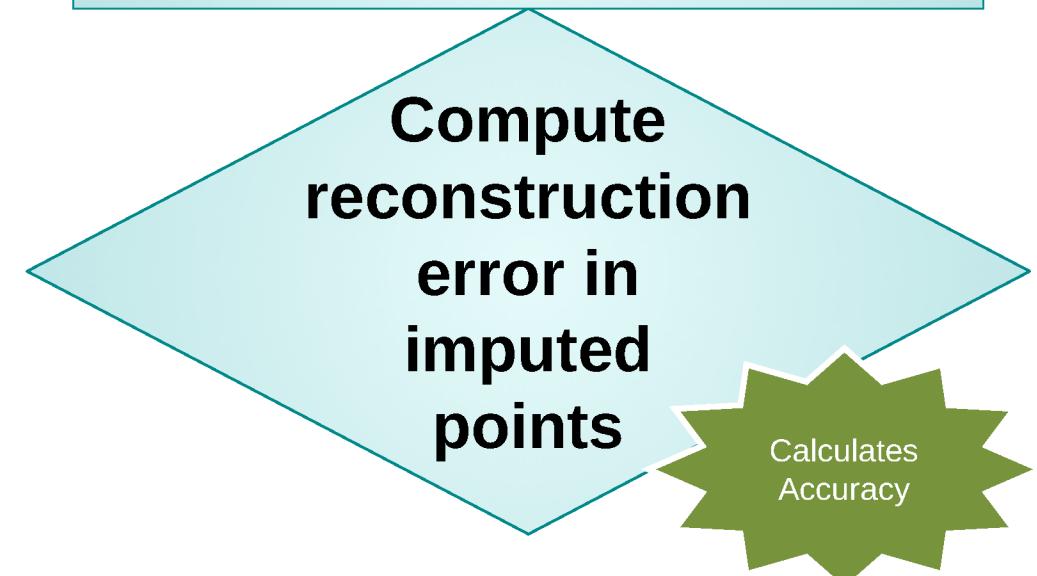
## Stability – based

Perform multiple NMF runs at each rank



## Imputation – based

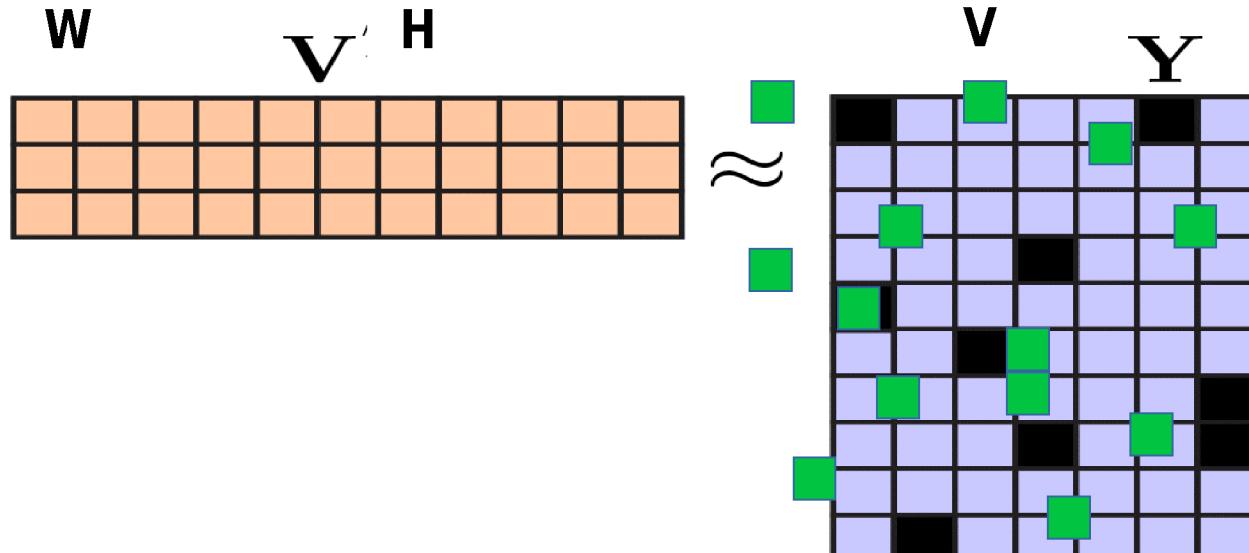
Exclude random data points in multiple CV runs



# Our proposal: MADimput in ImputationCV

Good reconstruction, and homogeneous

Matrix Factorization Model



Exclude 10% data points

Reconstruct entire matrix

Compute MSE of CV run

Compute MAD of MSE across runs

# Systematic evaluation

## Performance comparison of 6 metrics

### Stability

- Consensus
  - **coph** - cophenetic coefficient
  - **disp** - dispersion
- Stability in split-half CV
  - **aRI** - adjusted Rand Index
  - **inner** - inner product

### Imputation

- **MSE** - mean of MSE in CV runs
- **MAD** - MAD of MSE in CV runs

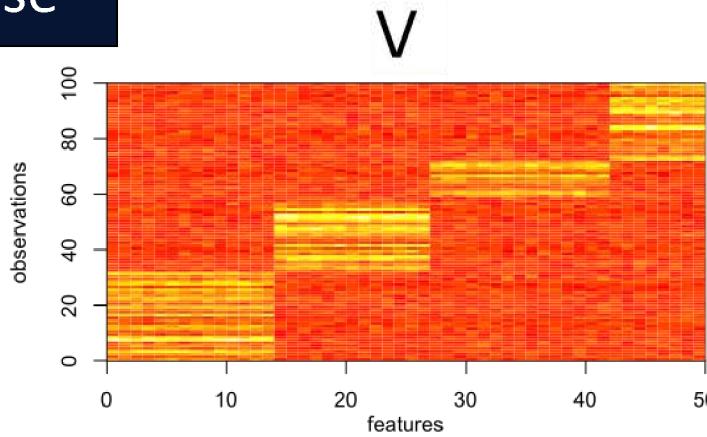
### Permutation of underlying distribution

- **perm** – error slope comparison with permuted data

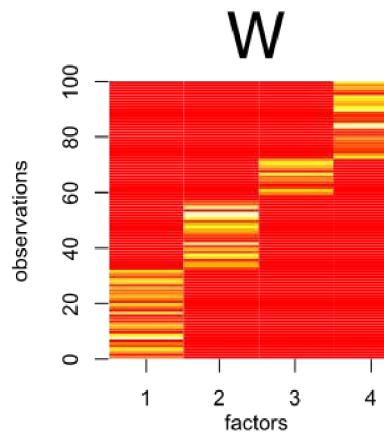
# Effect of data properties

Simulated data : Manipulation **sparsity + latent dimensionality**

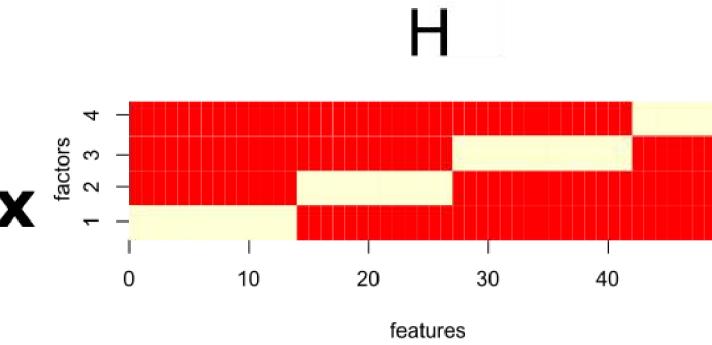
sparse



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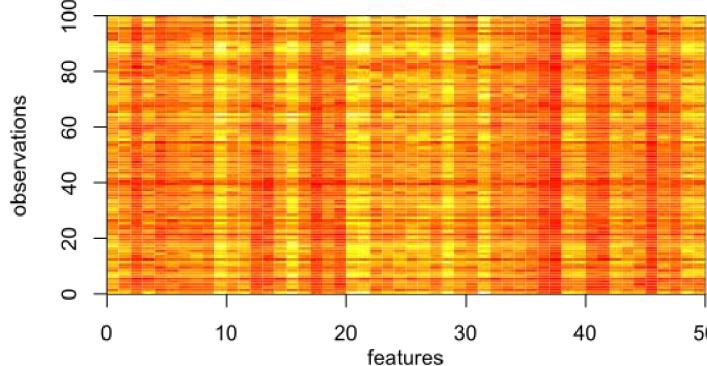


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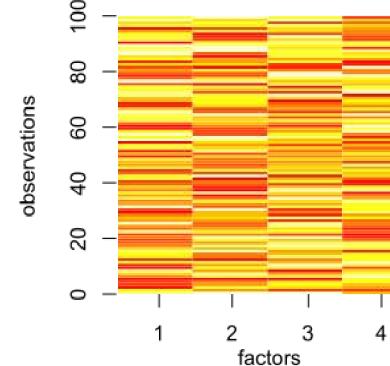


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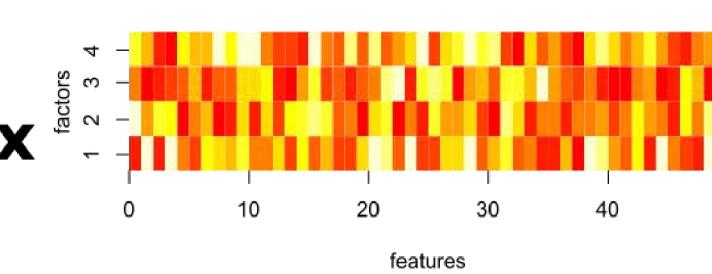
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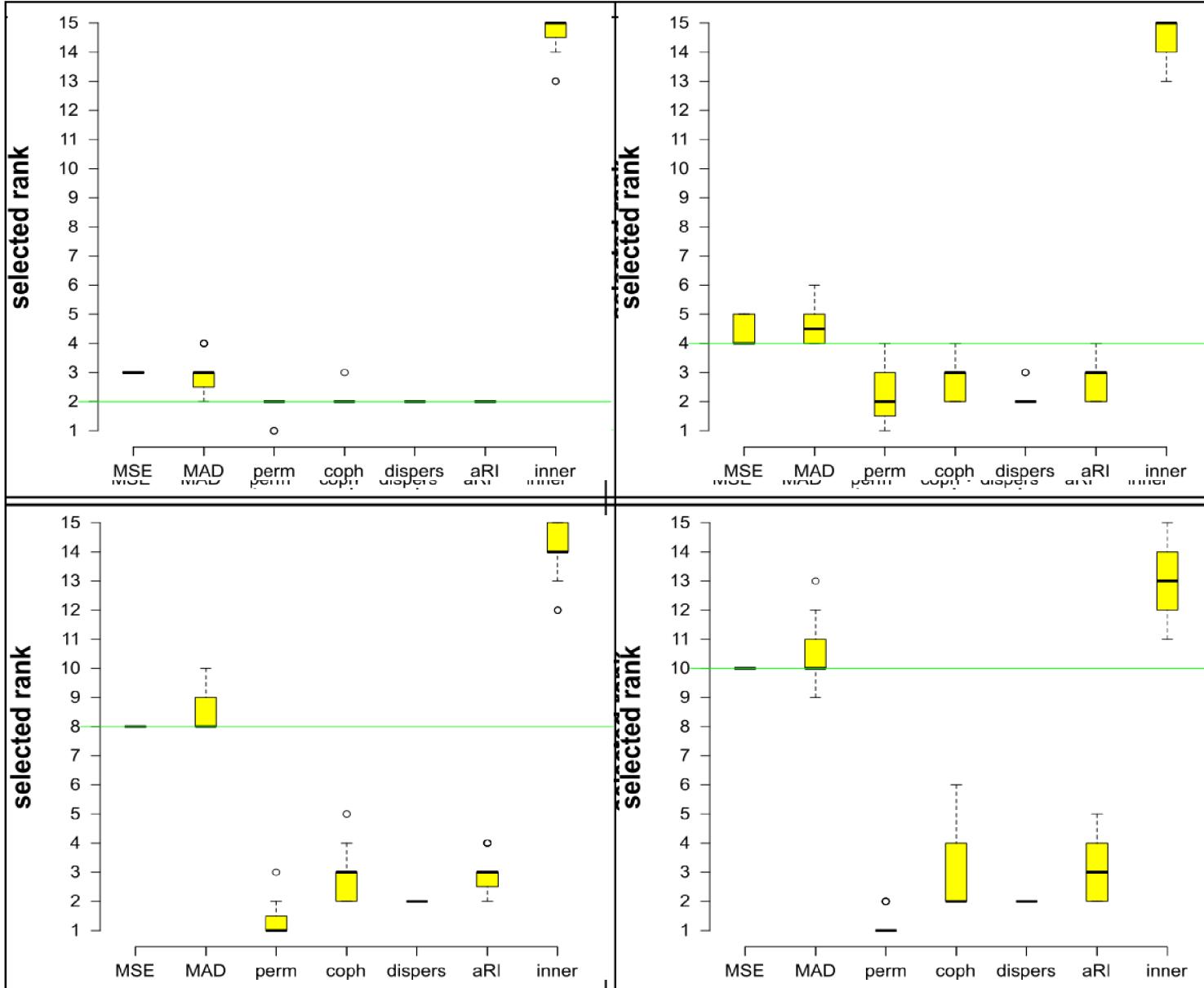


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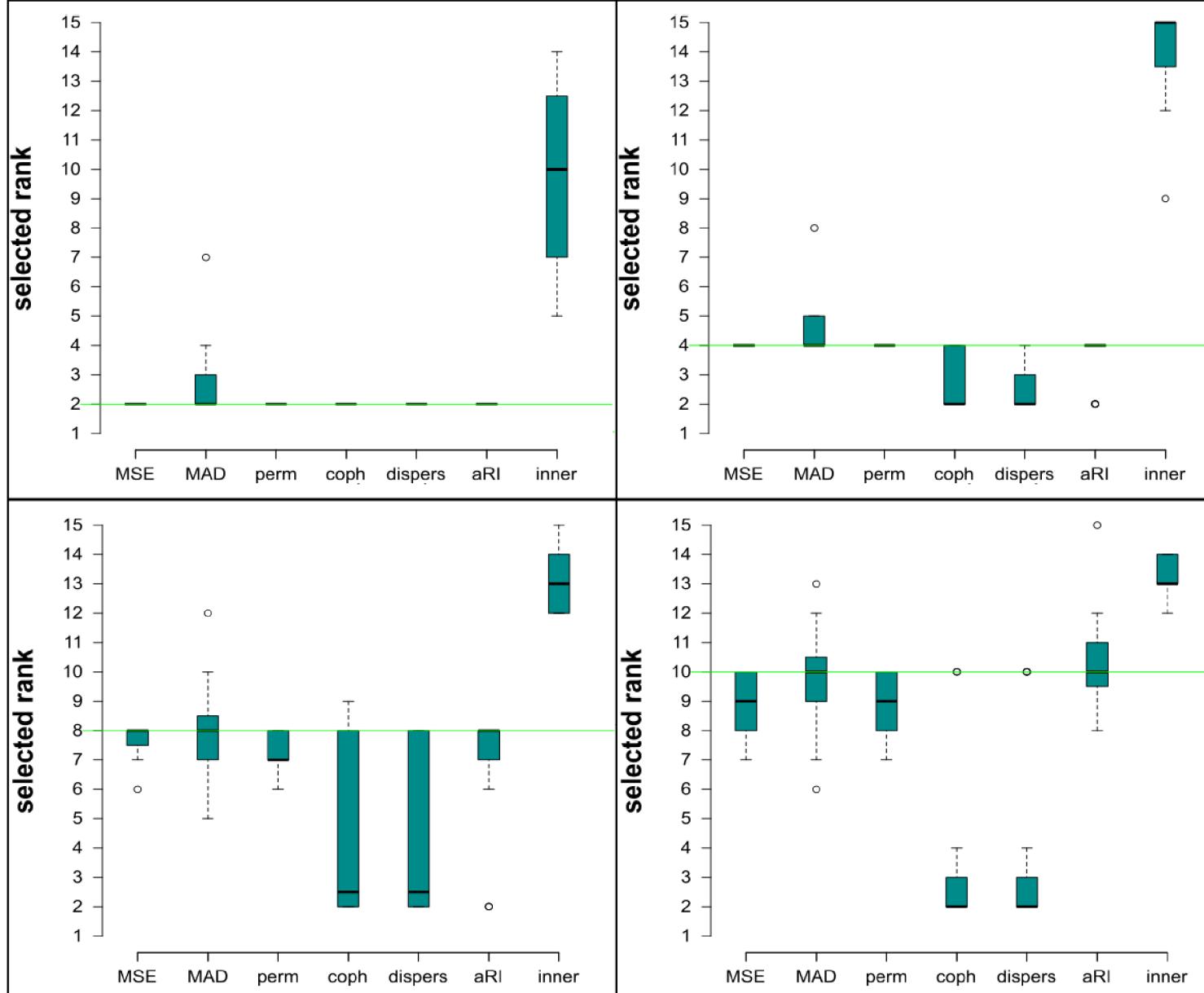
+  $n(0,1)$

# Results: Simulated data dense



Only imputation  
methods are accurate  
(but struggle at low true rank)

# Results: Simulated data sparse



Imputation, permutation  
and aRI methods  
have good performance,

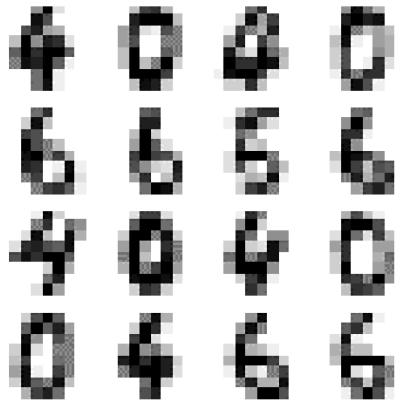
but all struggle at higher  
rank

# Real data: sources



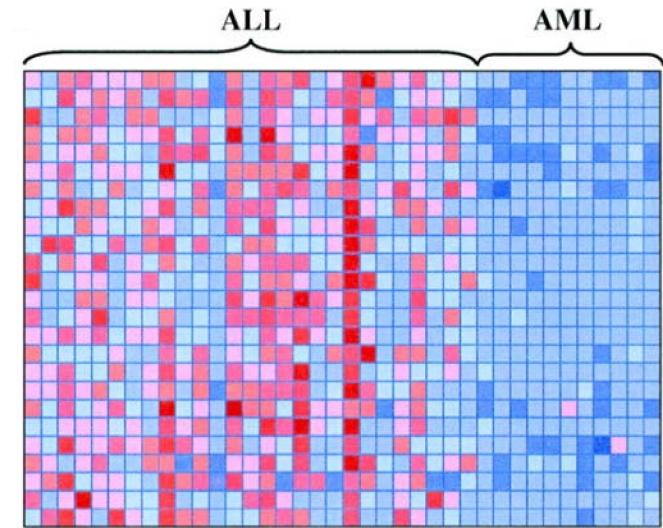
## MED5 - medical abstracts

1159 terms x 124 abstracts  
5 underlying human-labelled topics



## dig0246 – handwritten digits recognition

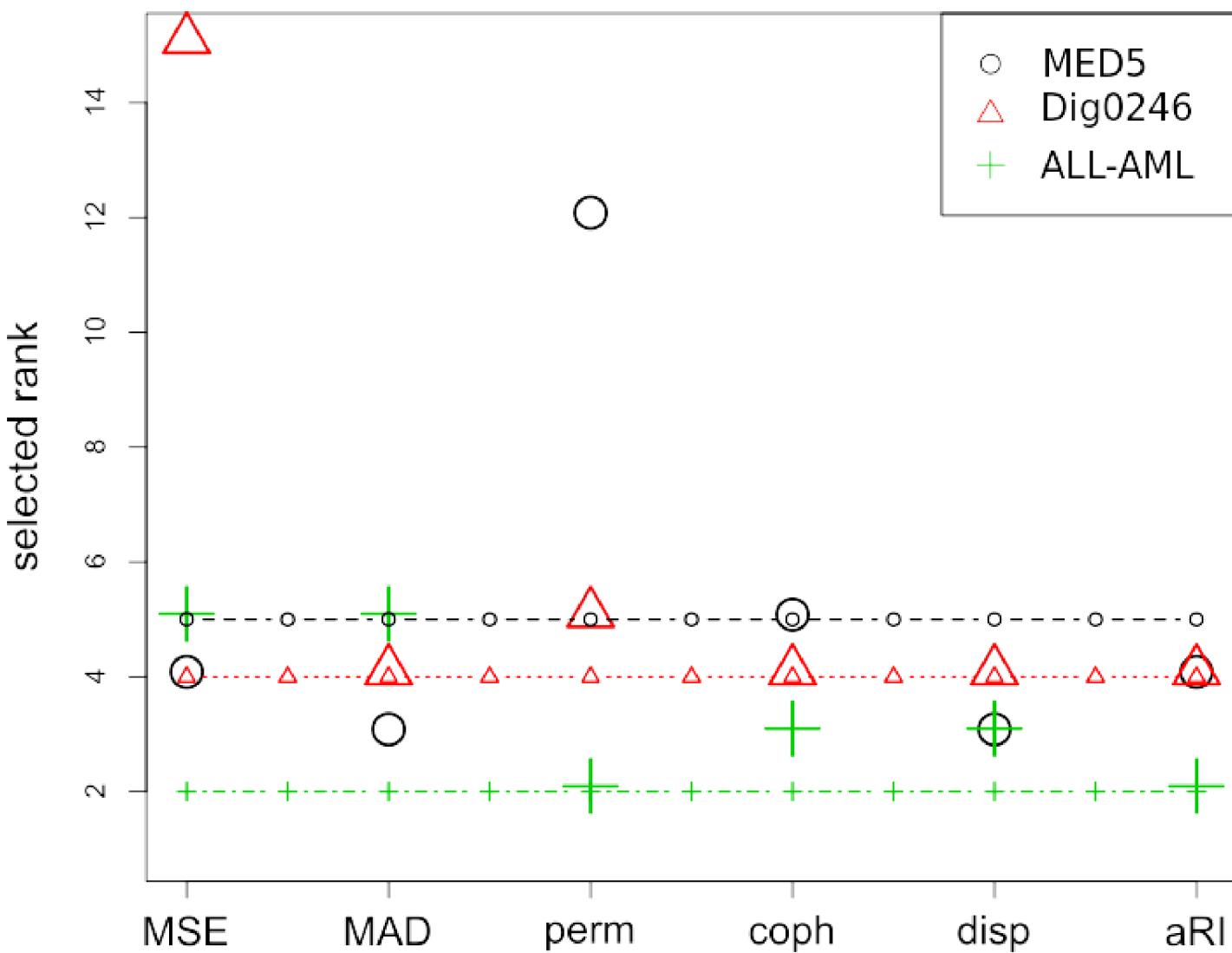
64 attributes and 1520 samples representing digits {0, 2, 4, 6}  
→ true rank: 4



## ALL-AML – cancer gene expression

5000 genes x 38 samples  
2 (more?) myeloma types

# Results: Real data



MADimput, aRI and  
consensus methods  
close to expected true  
rank

but consensus methods  
failed badly in simulated !  
→ false hit for low rank ?

# NMF rank selection: discussion

- No method is perfect, and most are just bad
  - No methods works best in all data type & dimensionality scenarios
- ImputationCV-based methods are better
  - Imputation CV-based MSE and MAD overall more reliable
  - MAD captures more complex properties (as expected) ?
- Data properties do impact rank selection
  - Both sparsity and latent dimensionality
  - Tip of the iceberg ?



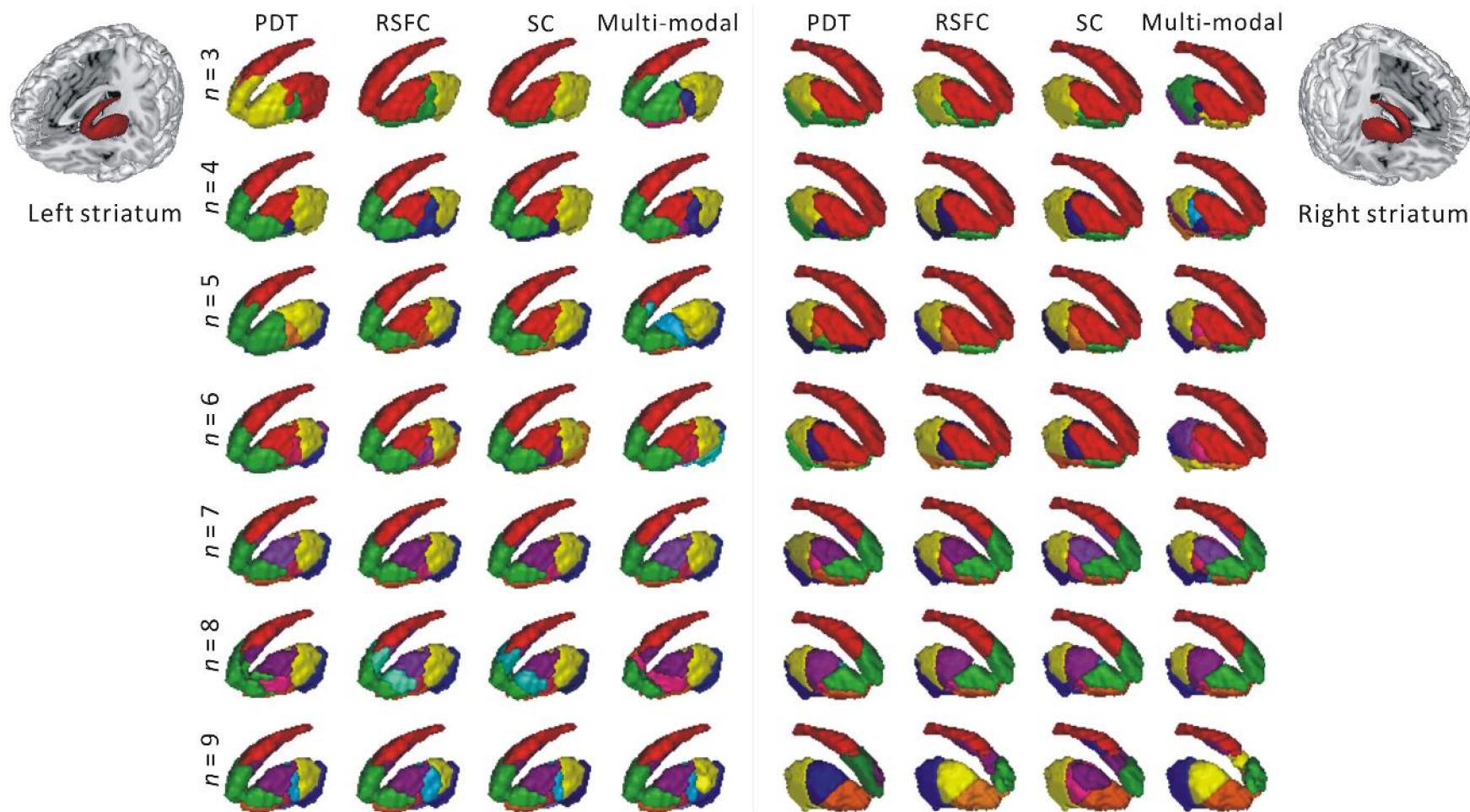
# Multi-modal parcellation of the human striatum

- Most parcellation studies are based on single modality
- Fundamental organization convergent across modalities not known
- Three modalities
  - Resting-state (RS)
  - Probabilistic Diffusion Tractography (PDT)
  - Structural Covariance (SC)
- Context-dependent-clustering (CDC, Gabasova et. al, 2017)
  - Can cluster across contexts (i.e. modalities)
  - Model selection based on several criteria
- Behavioral decoding
- Clinical relevance: VBM analysis Parkinson's and Schizophrenia

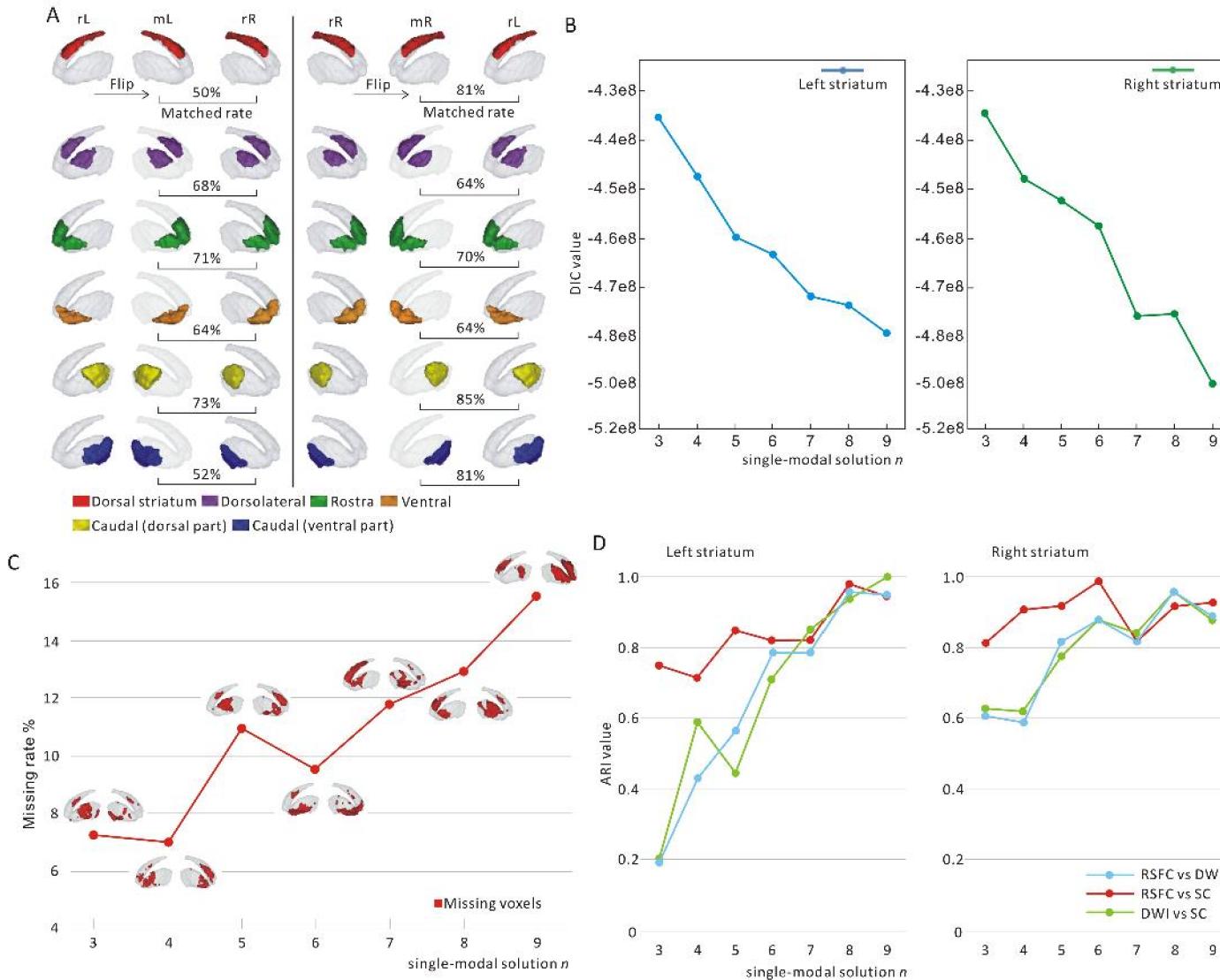
N = 324 (164 Female) Human Connectome Project



# Multi-modal striatum parcellation

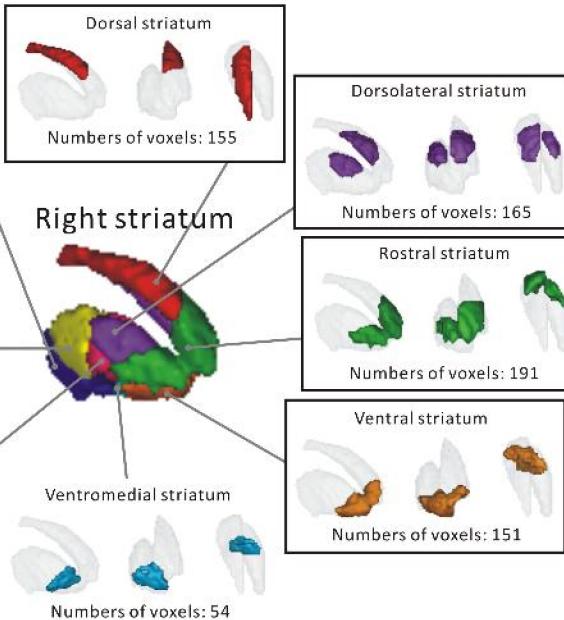
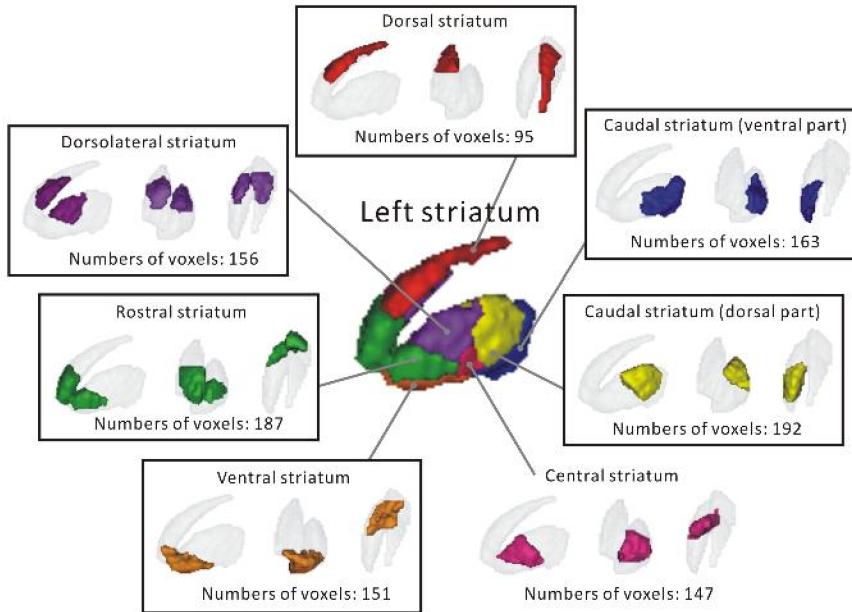


# Multi-modal striatum parcellation: model selection

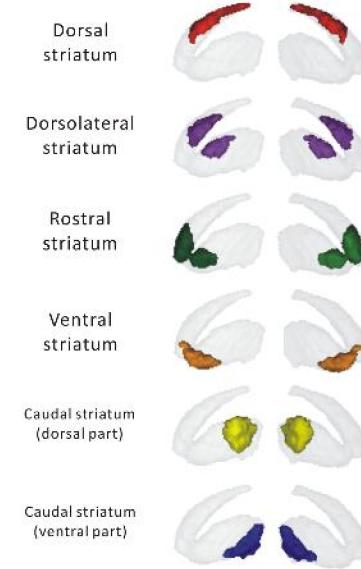


# Multi-modal striatum parcellation: selected solution

A Multi-modal clusters ( $n = 7$ )

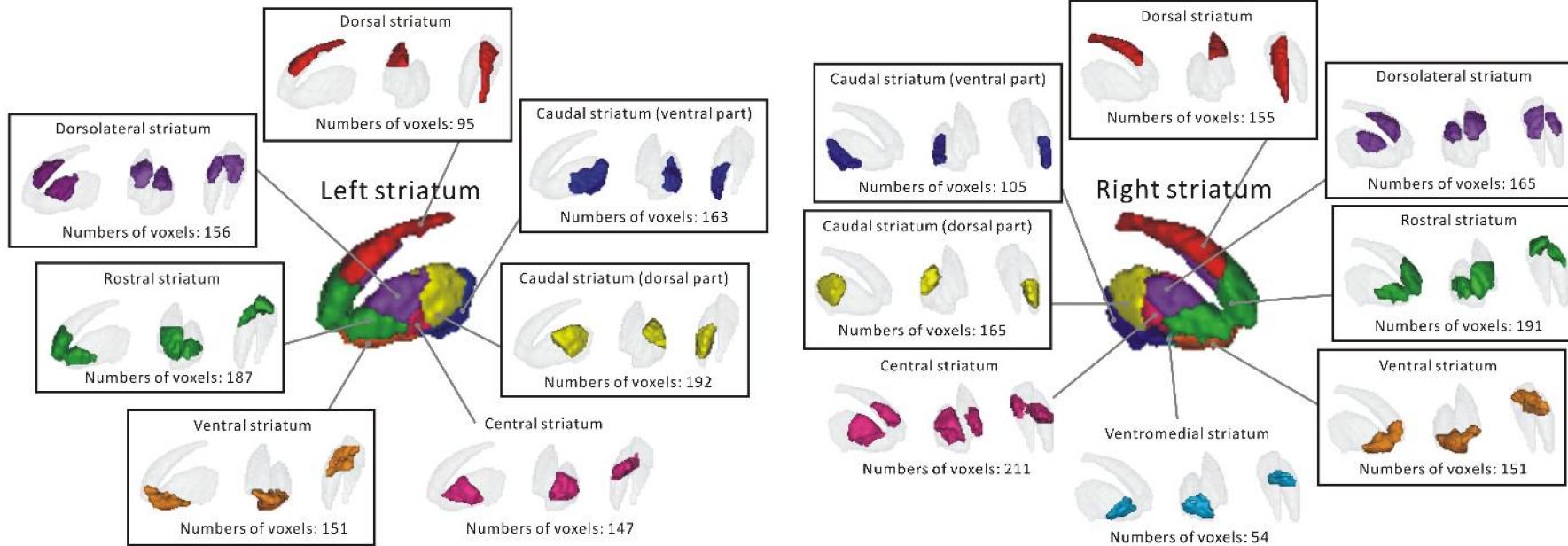


B Hemisphere-matched multi-modal clusters

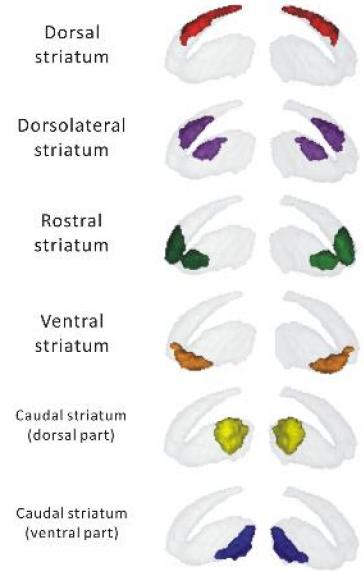


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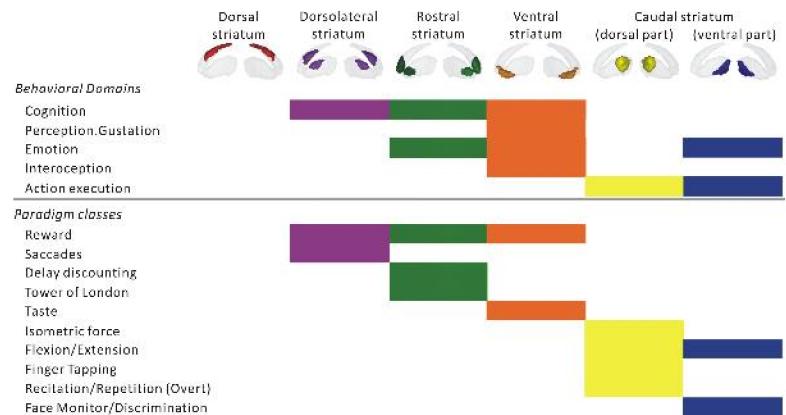
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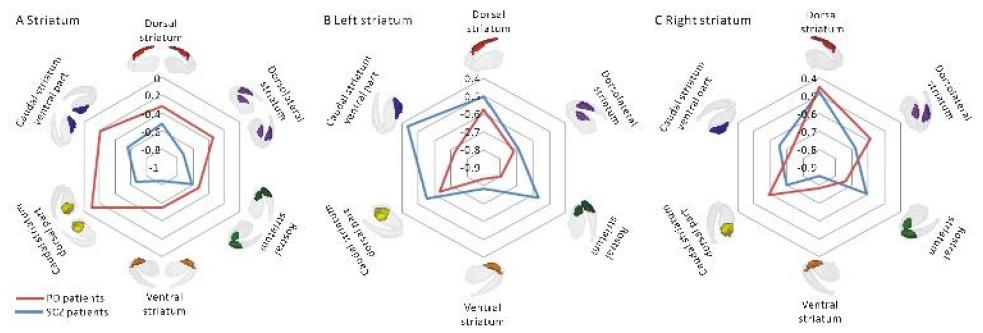
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Behavioral decoding



PD vs. SCZ  
Averaged  
Z-scores of  
GM volume



# Ji Chen: SCZ study

## Sample details

Characteristics	PHAMOUS sample (N=1545)	International dataset from 9 centers (N=490)	International dataset with imaging (N=147)	Statistics	p-value
<b>Demographic</b>					
Age (years) <sup>a</sup>	44.15 (11.42)	33.82 (10.28)	34.89 (11.67)	183.51	<.001
Gender (male/female)	1108/437	333/157	102/45	2.45	.292
Illness during (years) <sup>b</sup>	18.22 (10.54)	9.13 (8.98)	11.37 (10.36)	134.71	<.001
PANSS					
Positive <sup>c</sup>	12.48 (4.91)	14.24 (5.76)	15.36 (5.50)	37	<.001
Negative	14.60 (6.20)	14.67 (7.21)	15.07 (6.06)	0.375	.687
General <sup>d</sup>	26.70 (8.16)	29.10 (11.34)	30.93 (10.97)	23.67	<.001
Illness severity (Total PANSS) <sup>e</sup>	53.78 (16.35)	58.01 (21.87)	61.36 (19.57)	19.48	<.001
P3 item (hallucinations) <sup>f</sup>	2.30 (1.47)	2.66 (1.83)	3.22 (1.91)	28.18	<.001
Medication <sup>g</sup>					
Atypical antipsychotics	NA	167 (34.1%)	110 (74.8%)		
Typical antipsychotics	NA	26 (5.3%)	8 (5.4%)		
Both A & T	NA	16 (3.3%)	9 (6.1%)		
None or unknown	NA	281 (57.3%)	20 (25.9%)		
Current antipsychotic medication <sup>h</sup>	NA	19.64 (14.15)	19.30 (12.57)		

# Samples: sex prediction

## HCP functional imaging parameters:

Siemens 3T Skyra scanner, 1200 volumes, voxel size=  $2 \times 2 \times 2 \text{ mm}^3$ , FoV=  $208 \times 180 \text{ mm}^2$ , 72 slices, TR = 720 ms; TE= 33.1 ms, FA=52°)

- Sample 1: 434 subjects (217 males, age range: 22-37, mean age: 28.6 years),
- Sample 2: 310 subjects (155 males, age range: 22-36, mean age: 28.5 years).

## 1000 brains functional imaging parameters:

Siemens 3T TRIO scanner, 297 volumes, voxel size=  $3.1 \times 3.1 \times 3.1 \text{ mm}^3$ , FoV=  $200 \times 200 \text{ mm}^2$ , 36 slices, TR = 2200 ms; TE= 30 ms, FA=90°)

- Sample: 1115 subjects (508 males, age range: 18-88, mean age: 63.5 years)

# SCZ study

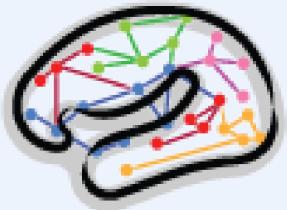
## Sample details

- Slide Text

# Cohort imaging: Large, multi-modal datasets



Initial sample: 131 subjects  
Enhanced sample: 900+ subjects  
**45 publications**



900 related subjects  
**17 publications**



1,000+: Schizophrenia, Parkinson  
Major Depression, Stroke  
**50+ publications**



1,100 subjects  
Longitudinal design  
**7 publications**



10,000 subjects currently  
30,000 subjects final



>1,000 subjects currently  
15,000 subjects final



10,000 subjects currently  
100,000 subjects final