

Testing a Common Model for Human and Machine Intelligence

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Objective:

- Develop principles to translate cognitive architectures into dynamical brain network models
- Test the reliability of Common Model of Cognition (CMC, a consensus architecture) as a blueprint of brain architecture

Approach:

- Compare alternative network models by fitting them to large-scale neuroimaging data
- HCP: Human Connectome Project (fMRI + MEG)

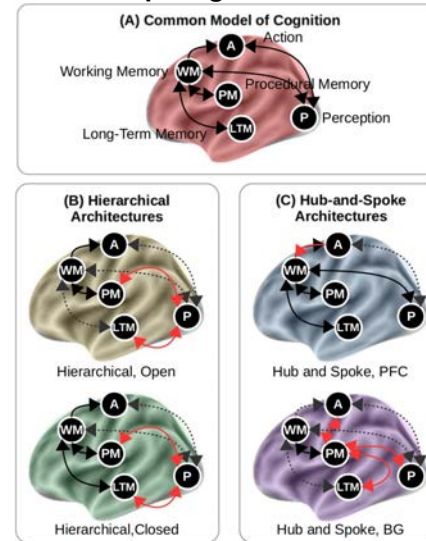
DoD Benefits:

- Link between cognitive architectures and computational neuroscience
- Convergent evolution of human and human-like intelligence
- General-purpose neurally-inspired architecture for AI

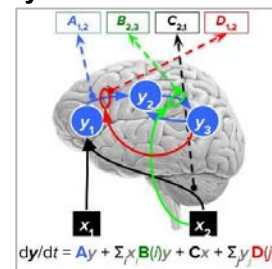
Progress:

- Tested fMRI data from $N=200$ participants from HCP dataset performing 7 tasks (Social, Emotion, WM, DM, Language, Math, Reasoning)
- Publications: Two journal papers + one conference paper submitted
- New pipeline in development: Bilateral ROIs, parallel processing, resting state data

1. Competing Architectures



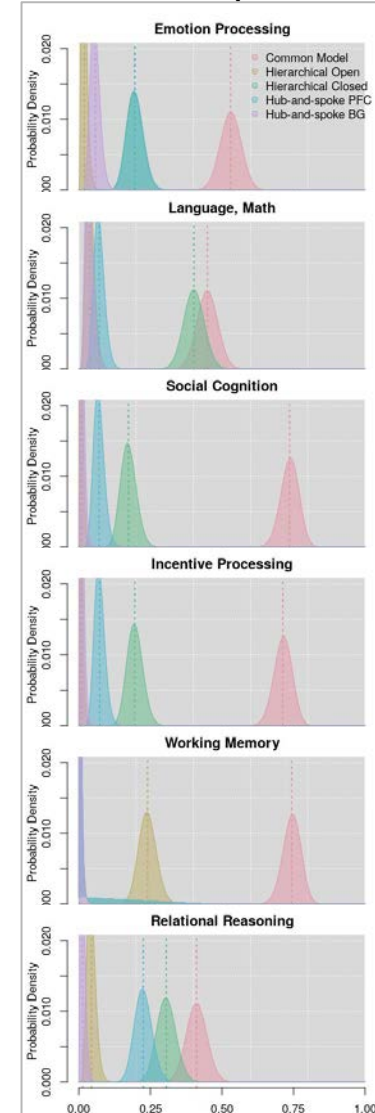
2. Dynamic Network Models



3. fMRI Data ($N = 200$, 7 Tasks)



4. Model Comparisons



List of Project Goals

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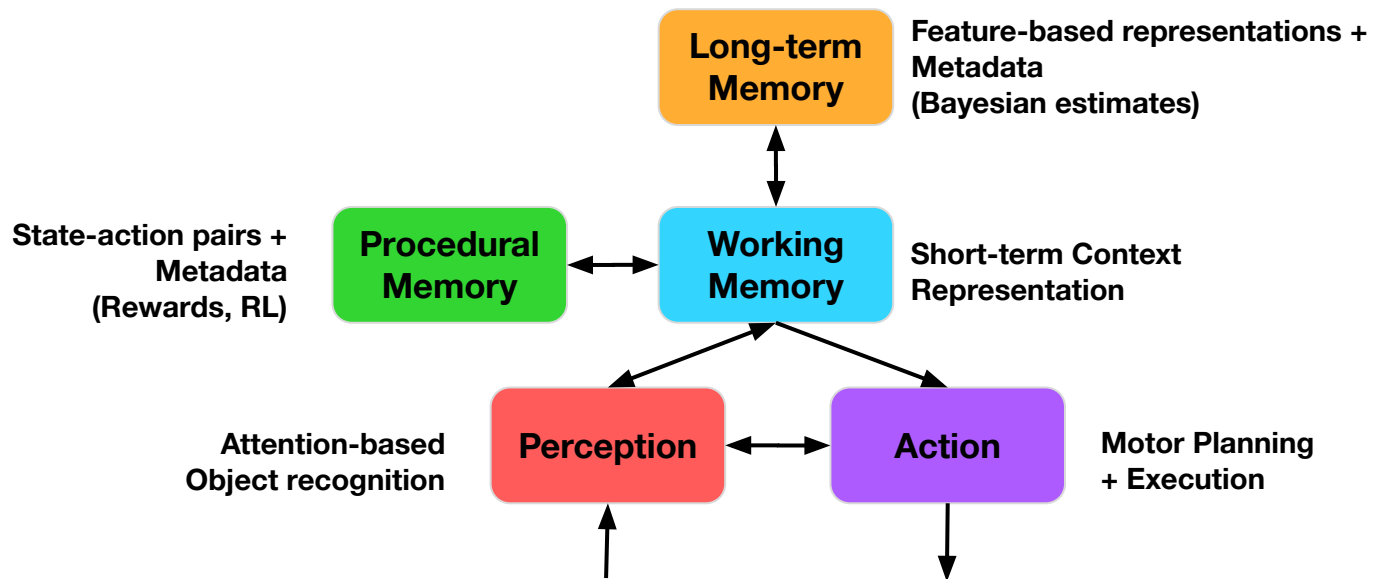
A Standard Model of the Mind: Toward a Common Computational Framework Across Artificial Intelligence, Cognitive Science, Neuroscience, and Robotics

John E. Laird, Christian Lebiere, Paul S. Rosenbloom

■ A standard model captures a community consensus over a coherent region of science, serving as a cumulative reference point for the field that can provide guidance for both research and applications, while also focusing efforts to extend or revise it. Here we propose developing such a model for humanlike minds, computational entities whose structures and processes are substantially similar to those found in human cognition. Our hypothesis is that cognitive architectures provide the appropriate computational abstraction for defining a standard model, although the standard model is not itself such a

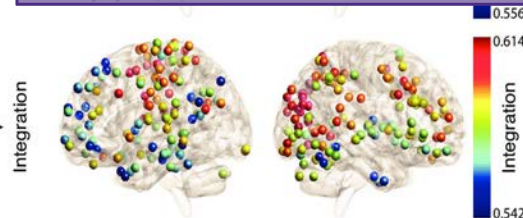
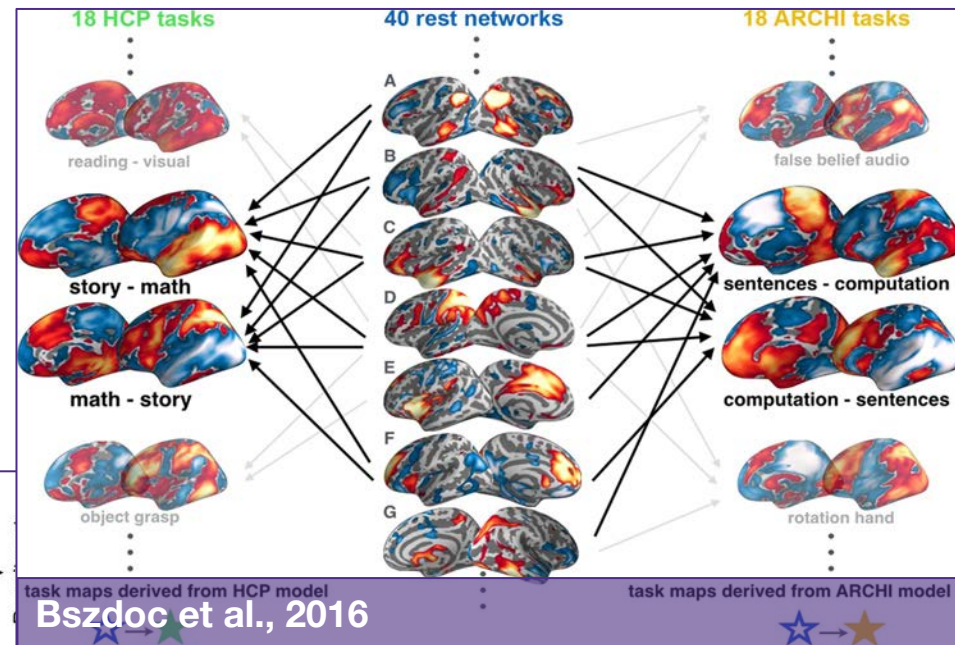
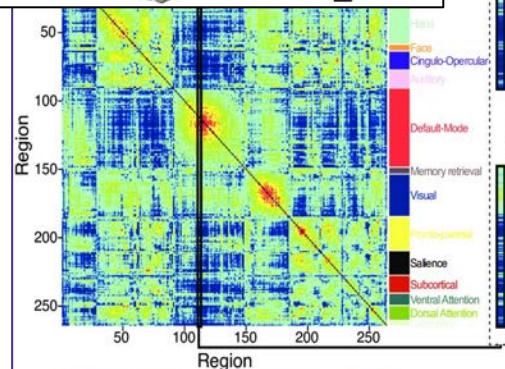
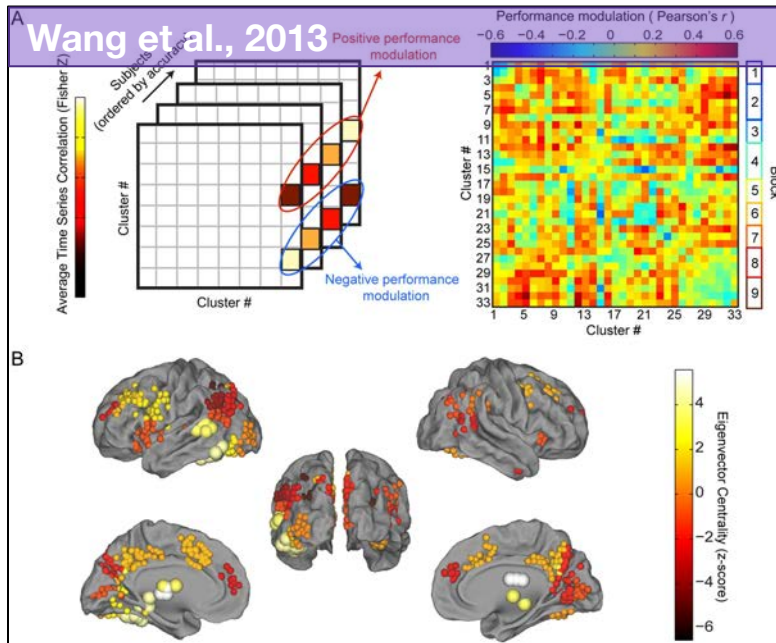
A mind is a functional entity that can think, and thus support intelligent behavior. Humans possess minds, as do many other animals. In natural systems such as these, minds are implemented through brains, one particular class of physical device. However, a key foundational hypothesis in artificial intelligence is that minds are computational entities of a special sort — that is, cognitive systems — that can be implemented through a diversity of physical devices (a concept lately reframed as substrate independence [Bostrom 2003]), whether natural brains, traditional general-purpose computers, or other sufficiently functional forms of hardware or wetware.

Common Model of Cognition



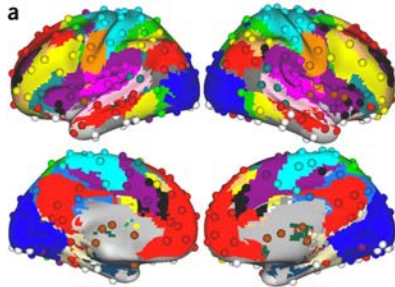
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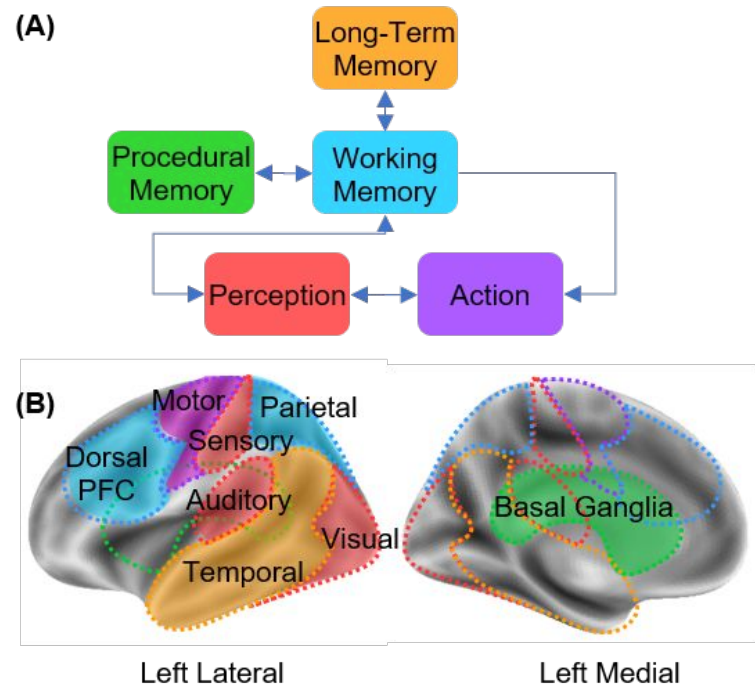


Mapping CMC Components

- Human brain is divided into small number (~ 10) of **functional networks** (Power, 2010; Yeo, 2011)^a



- Each CMC components can be identified with **at least one**.



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Siemens Skyra, Multiband

TR	720 ms	MB factor	8x	N Slices	72
TE	33.1 ms	FOV	208 x 180 mm	Slice Gap	0mm
FA	52°	In-plane res	2 x 2 mm	Slice thick	2mm

What Tasks?

Task	Reference	Description
Motor	Buckner et al. (2011)	Hand, arm, foot, leg, voice responses
Emotional	Hariri et al. (2002)	Fearful faces vs. Neutral Shapes
Incentive Processing	Delgado et al. (2000)	“Losing” blocks vs. “Winning” blocks of choices
Language	Binder et al. (2011)	Language blocks vs. Math blocks
Relational	Smith et al. (2007)	Relational arrays vs. Control arrays
Social	Whitley et al. (2007)	Interacting shapes vs. Randomly moving
Working Memory	Dobryshevsky et al. (2006)	2-back vs 0-back blocks

Comparison Criteria

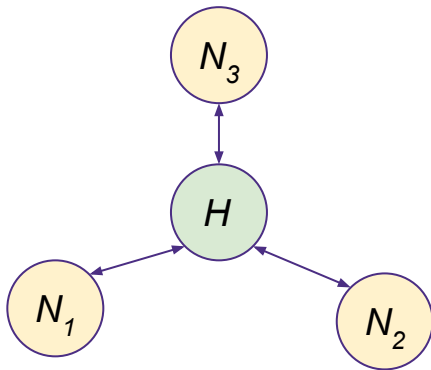
We cannot tell whether the CMC is “true”, but we can tell whether it is “better”

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Alternative Architectures

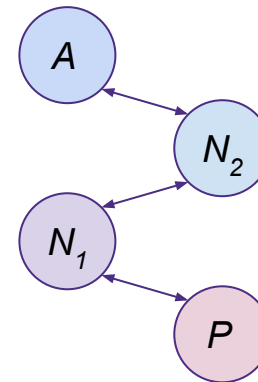
“Hub-and-Spoke” Family

- Single central region, H
- Multiple nodes N_1, N_2, N_3
- Bidirectional connections (spokes) btw hub and nodes



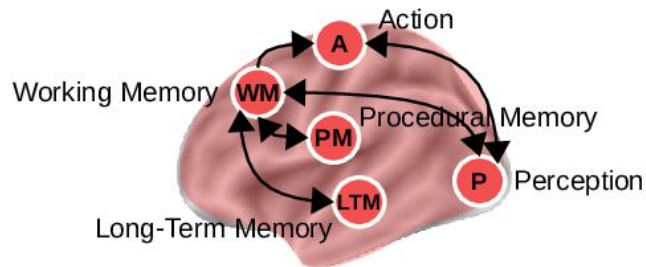
“Hierarchical” Family

- Starts with Perception (P)
- Ends with Action (A)
- Bidirectional connections between consecutive nodes

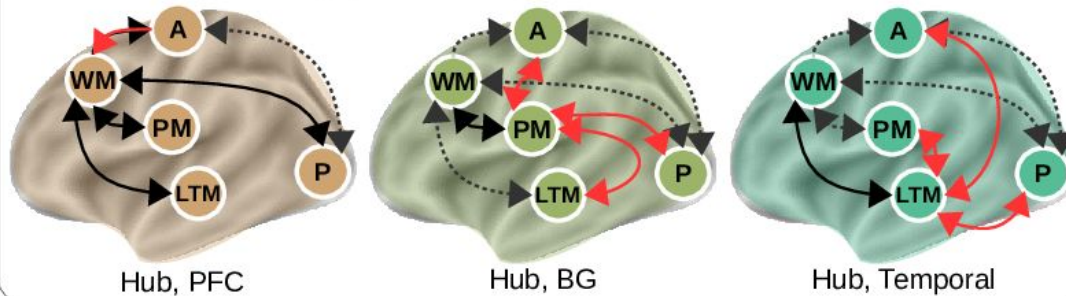


Seven Alternative Architectures

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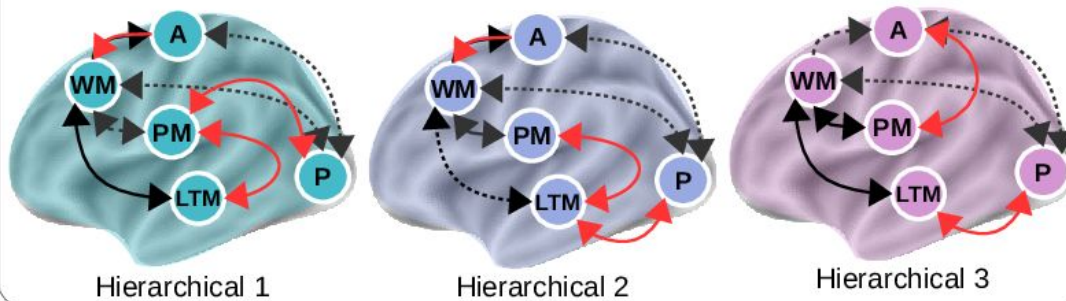


(B) Hub-and-Spoke Architectures



- ← Shared with CMC
- ← -- Missing (was in CMC)
- ← New (not in CMC)

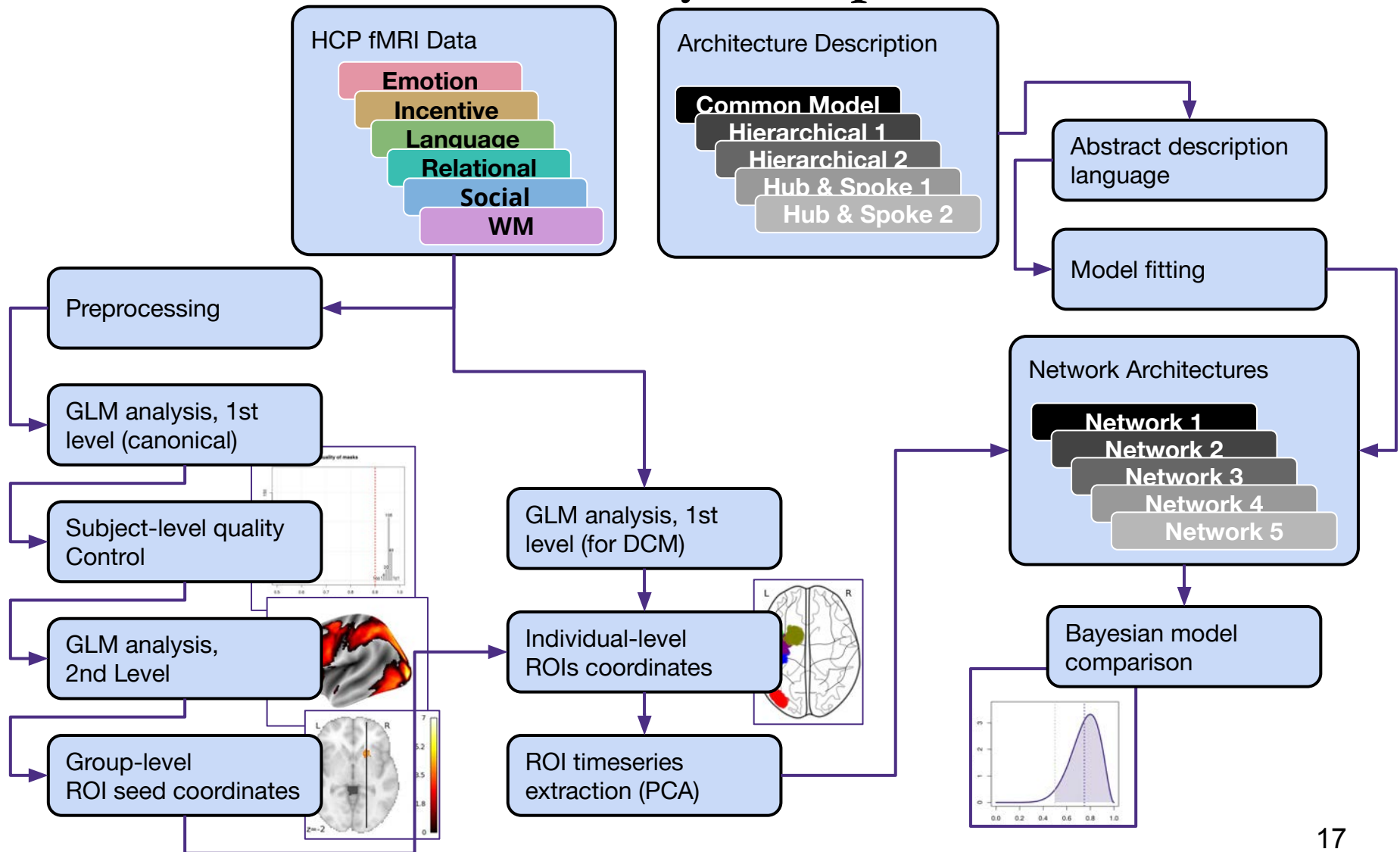
(C) Hierarchical Architectures



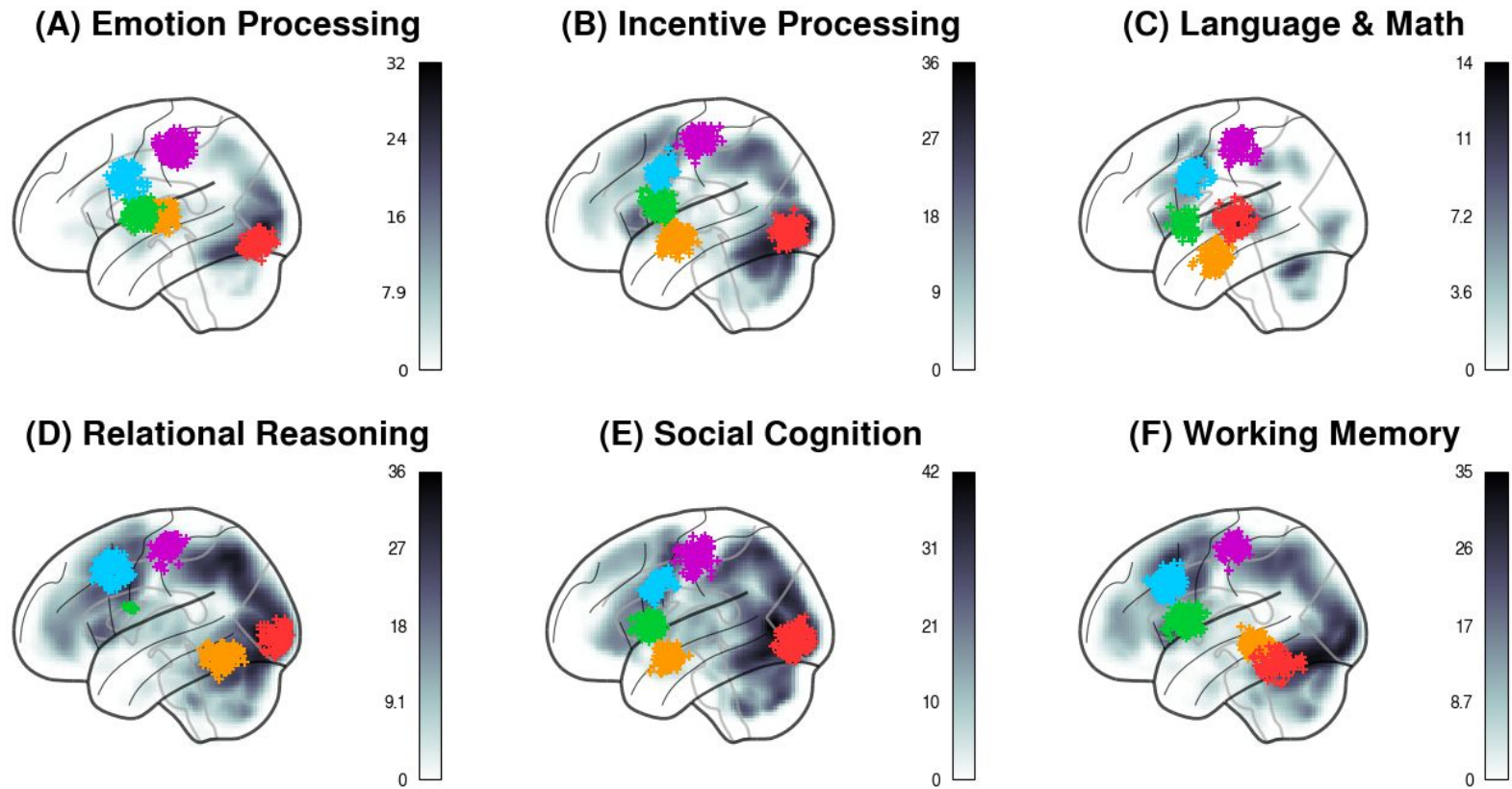
“Fantastic Architectures and Where to Find Them”



Data Analysis Pipeline

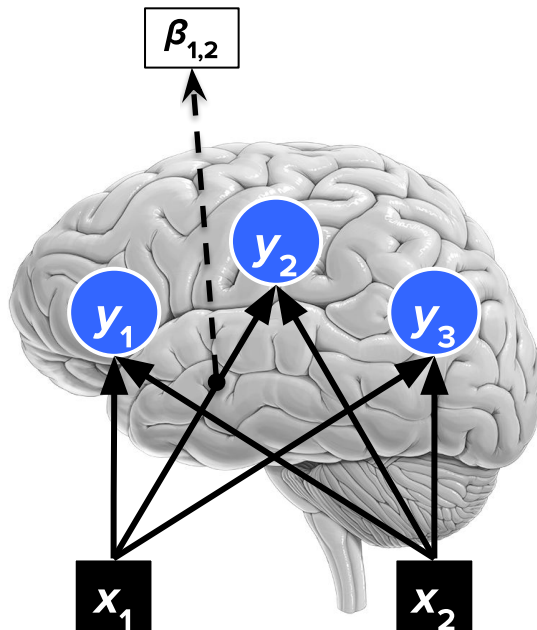


Define the Regions of Interests (ROIs) For Each Network



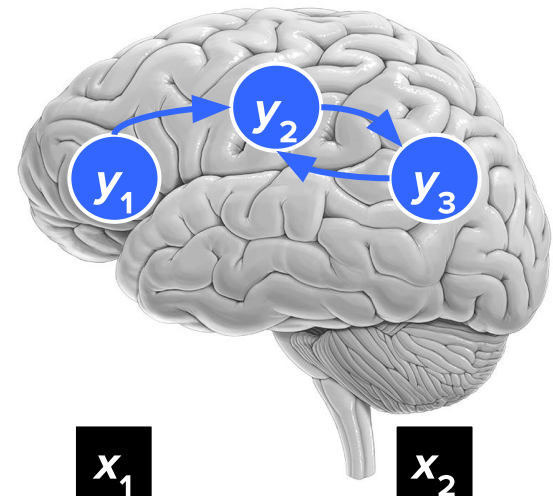
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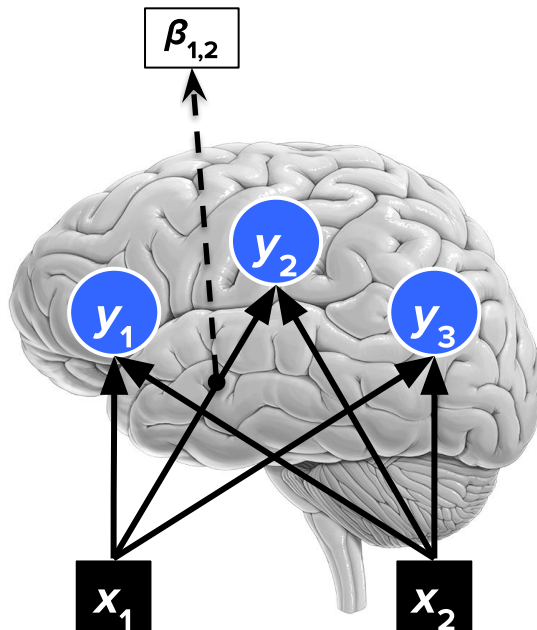
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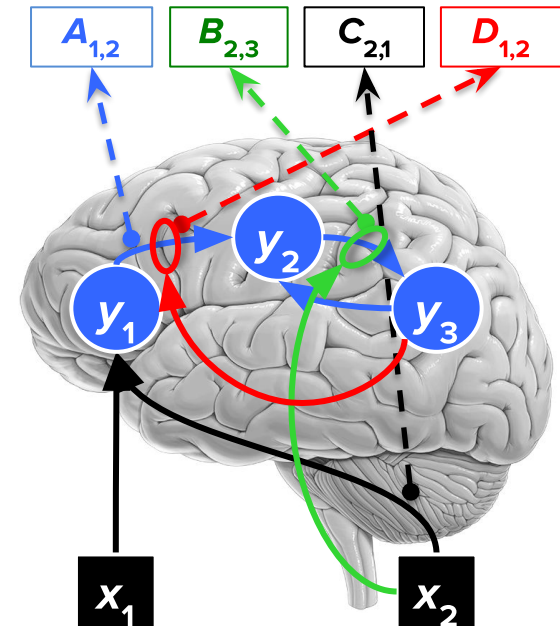
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Dynamic Causal Modeling

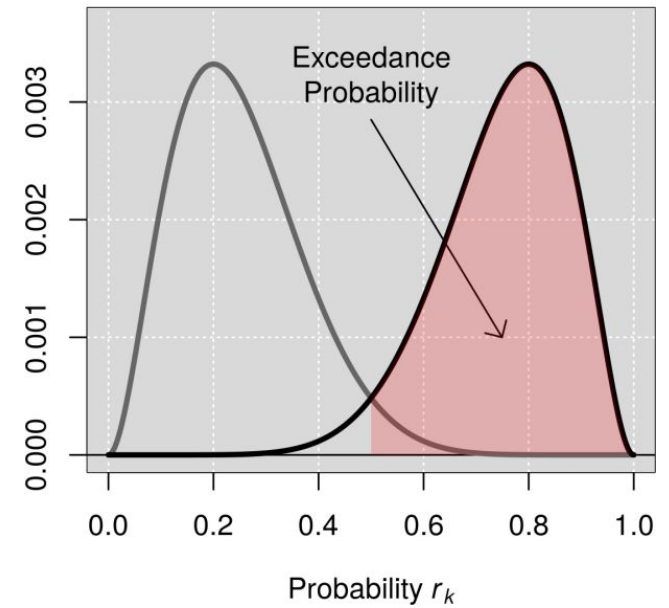
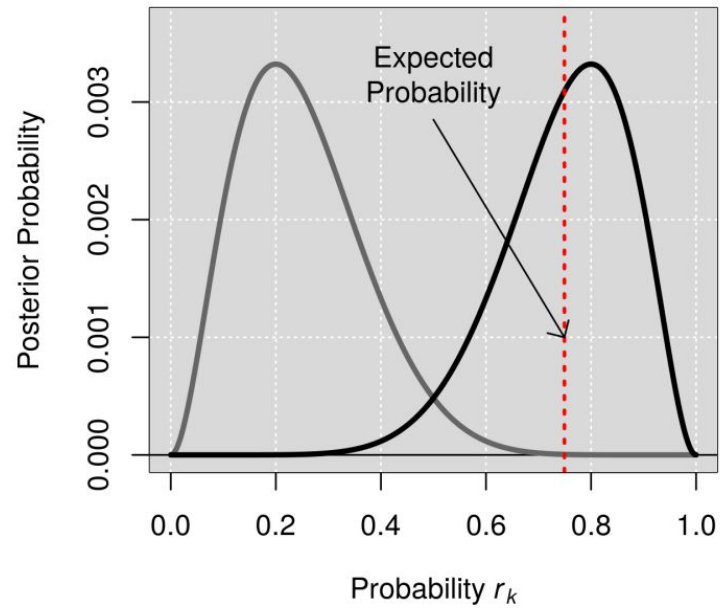
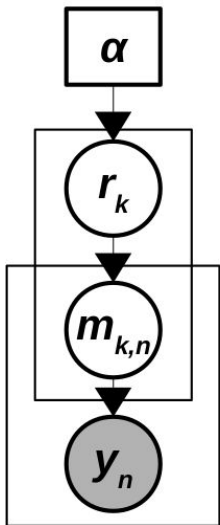


$$dy/dt = \mathbf{A}y + \sum_i x_i \mathbf{B}(i)y + \mathbf{C}x + \sum_j y_j \mathbf{D}(j)y$$

Comparing Models

- Many criteria exists
 - AIC, BIC, Log-likelihood...
- Inter-subject variability a major concern, so we used **Bayesian approach**:
 - Posterior probability that a model is true, given the data
 - Each architectures' PDF is modeled as a Dirichlet distribution $\sim \text{Dir}(\alpha)$

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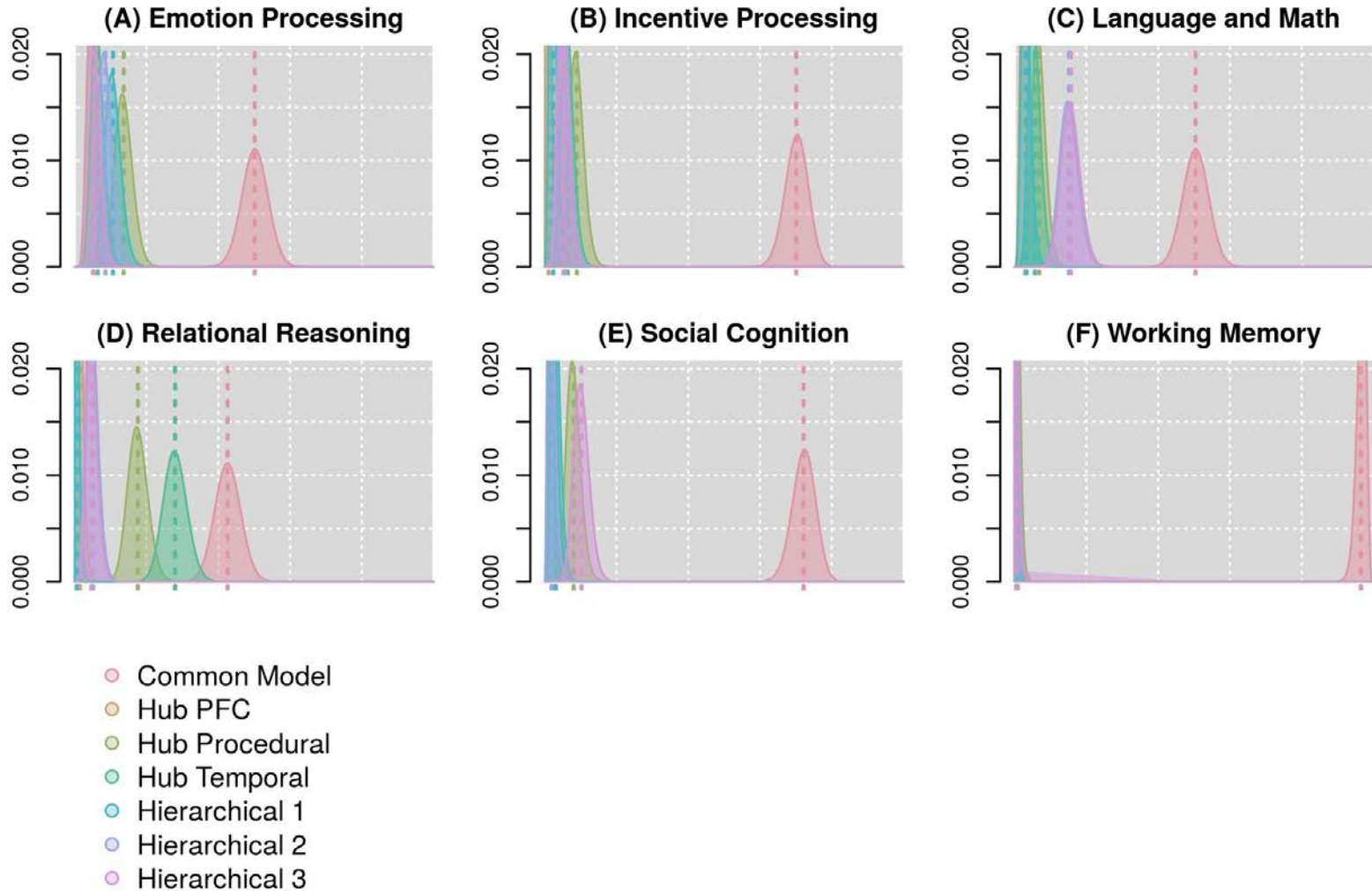


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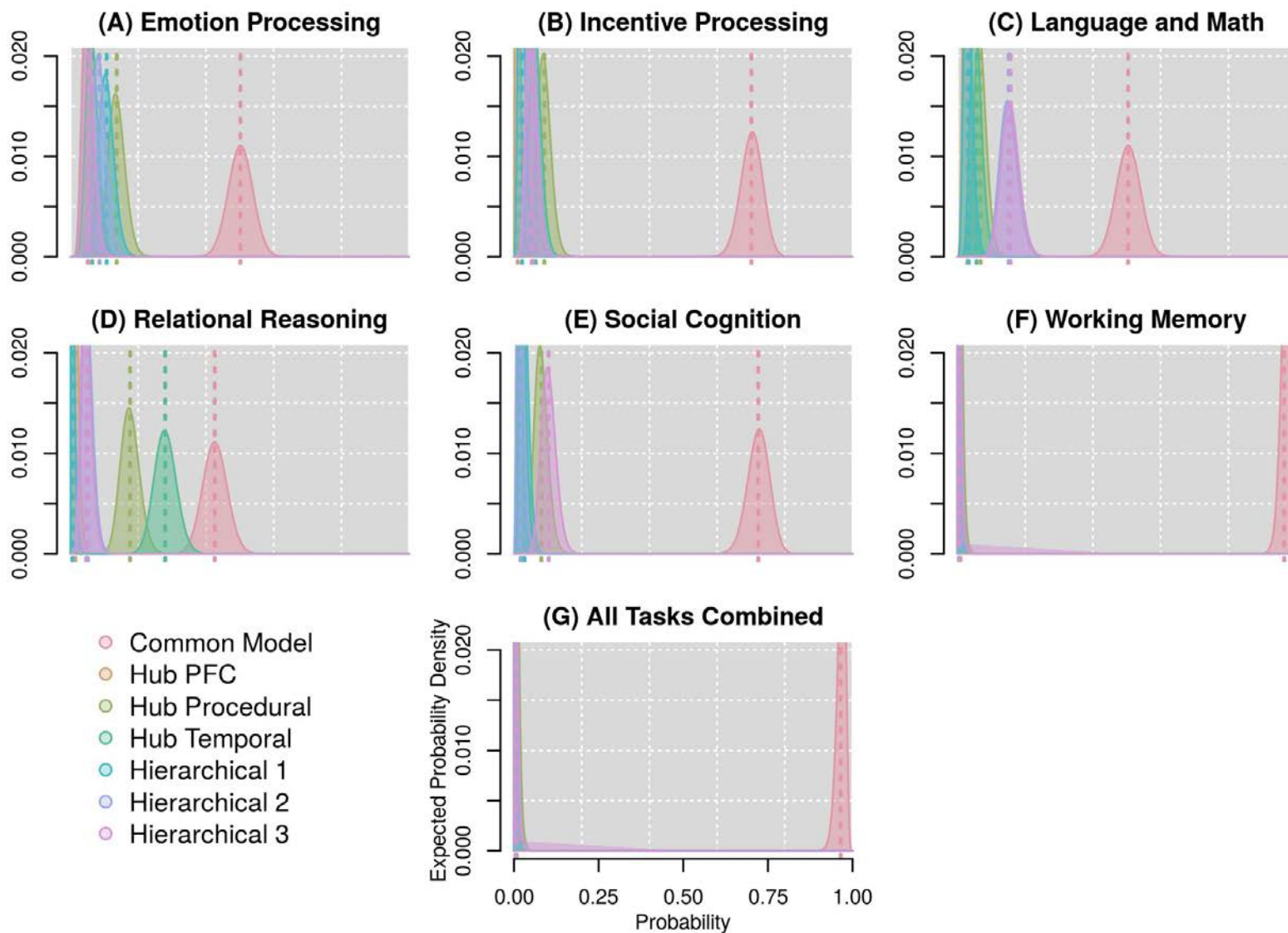
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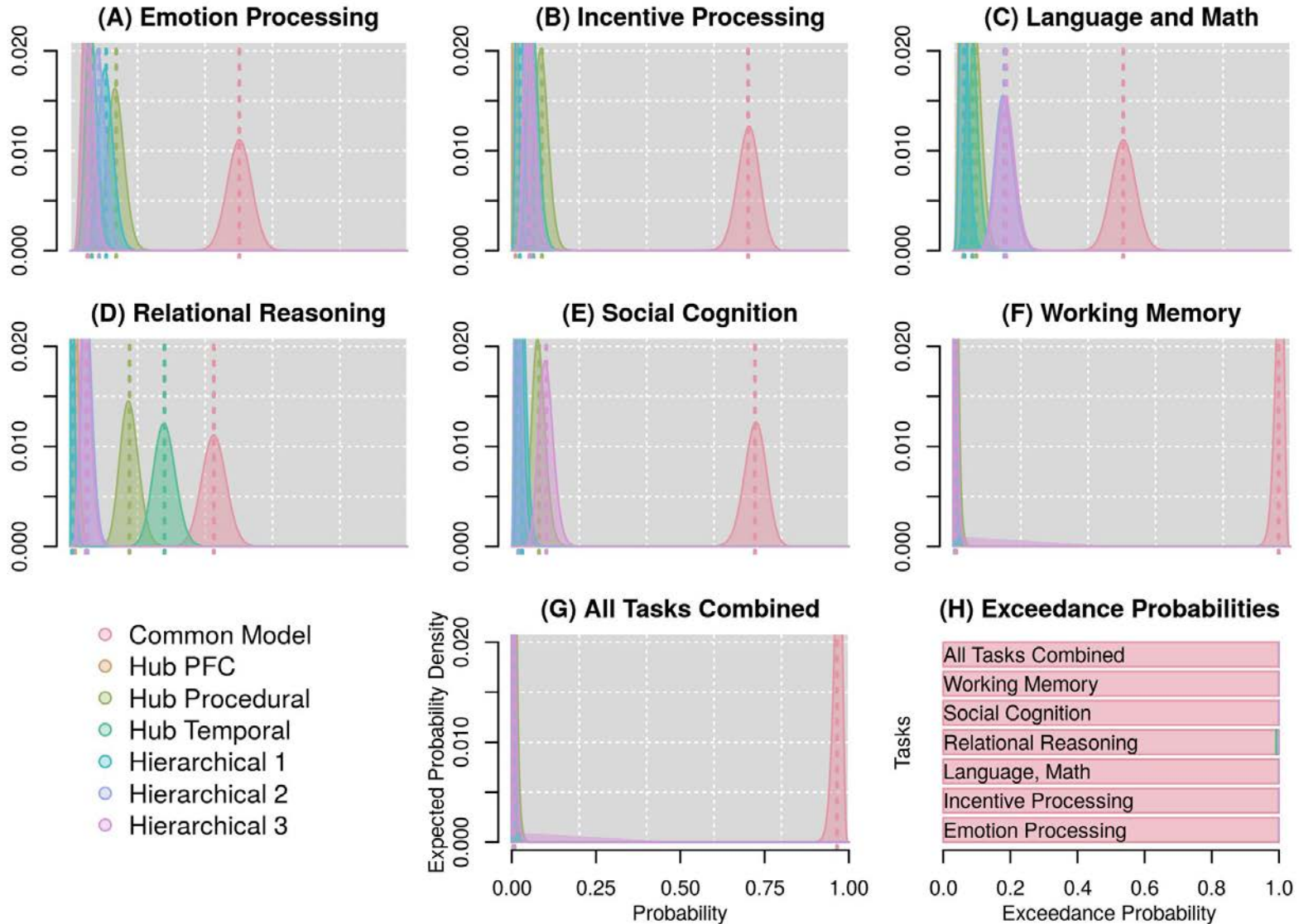
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All Tasks, Separate + Combined

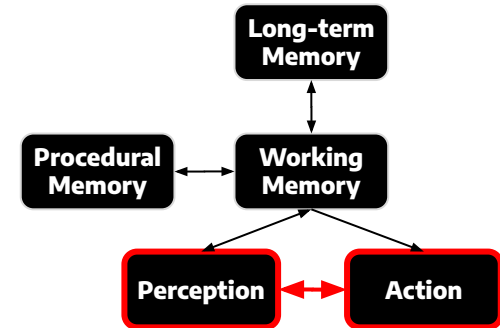
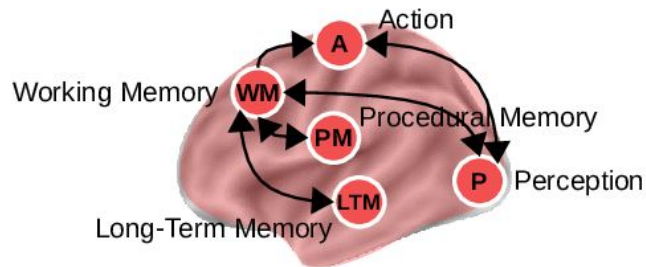


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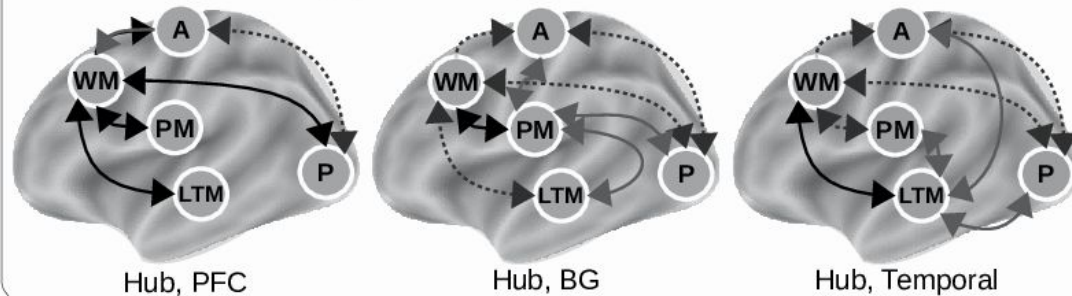


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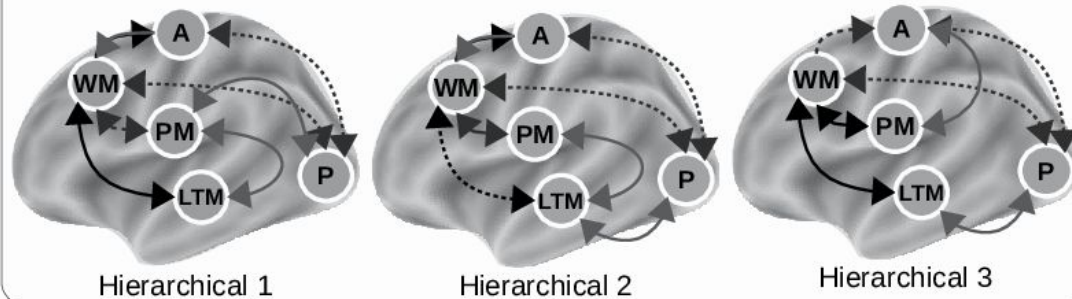
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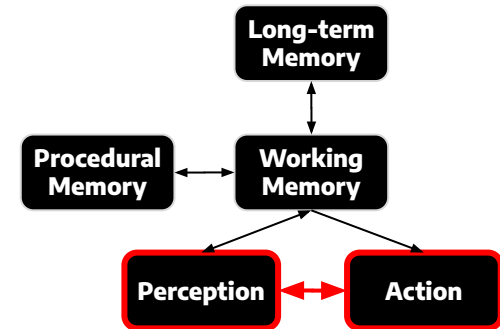
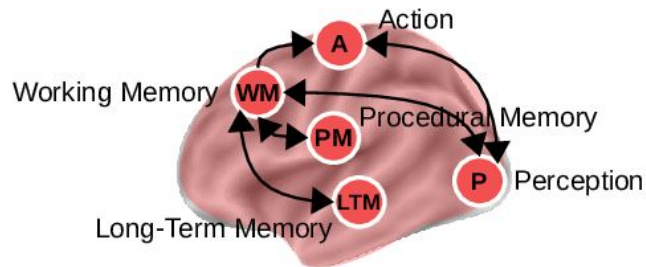


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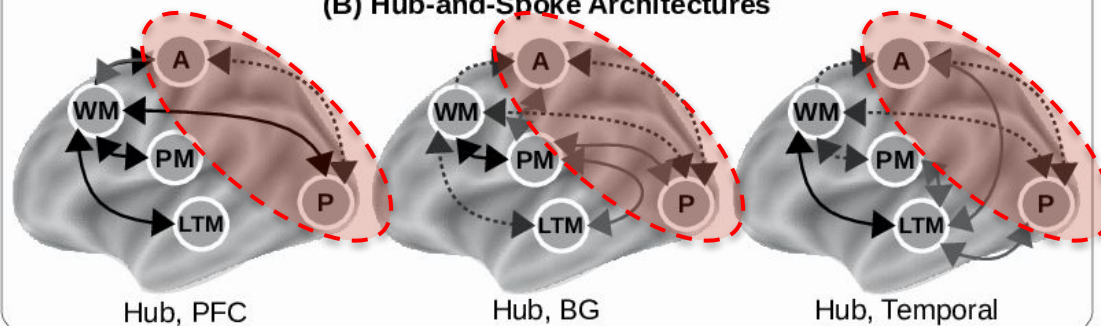


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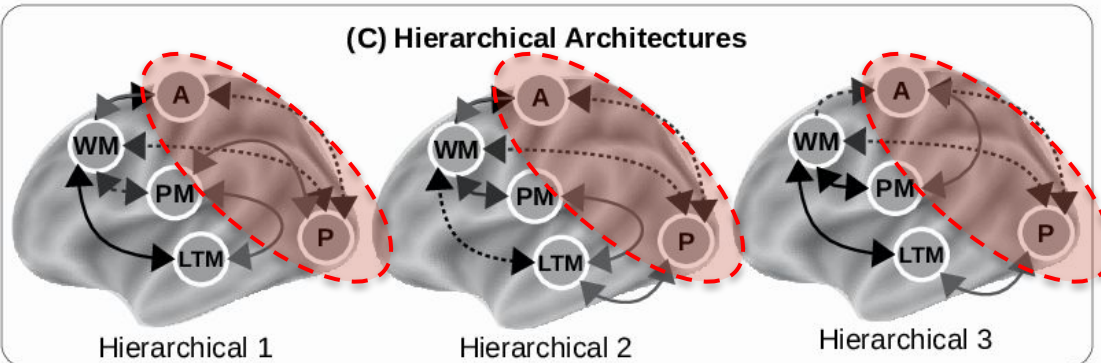
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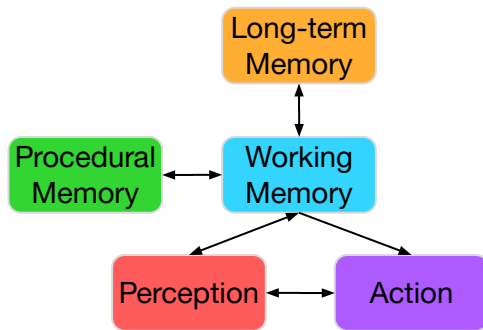
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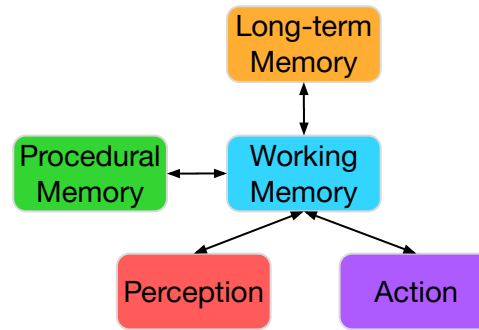


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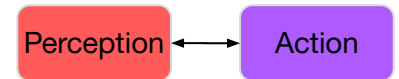
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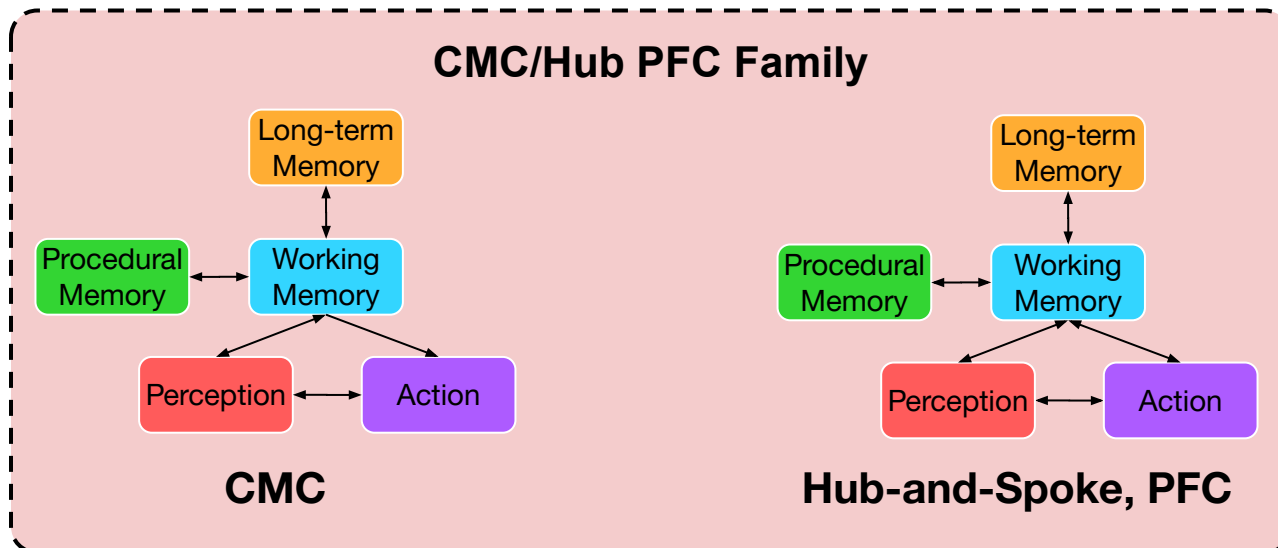
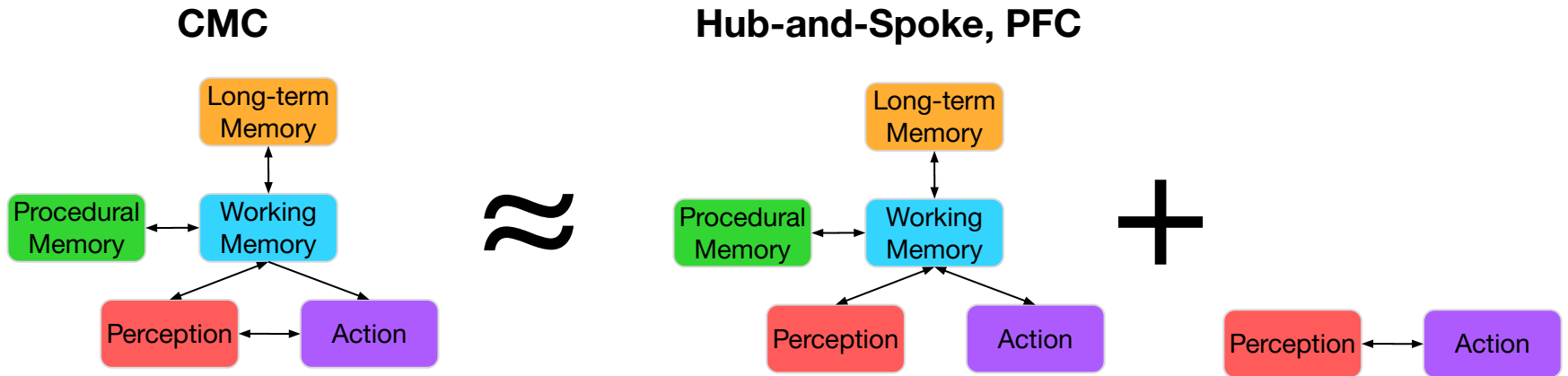


Hub-and-Spoke, PFC

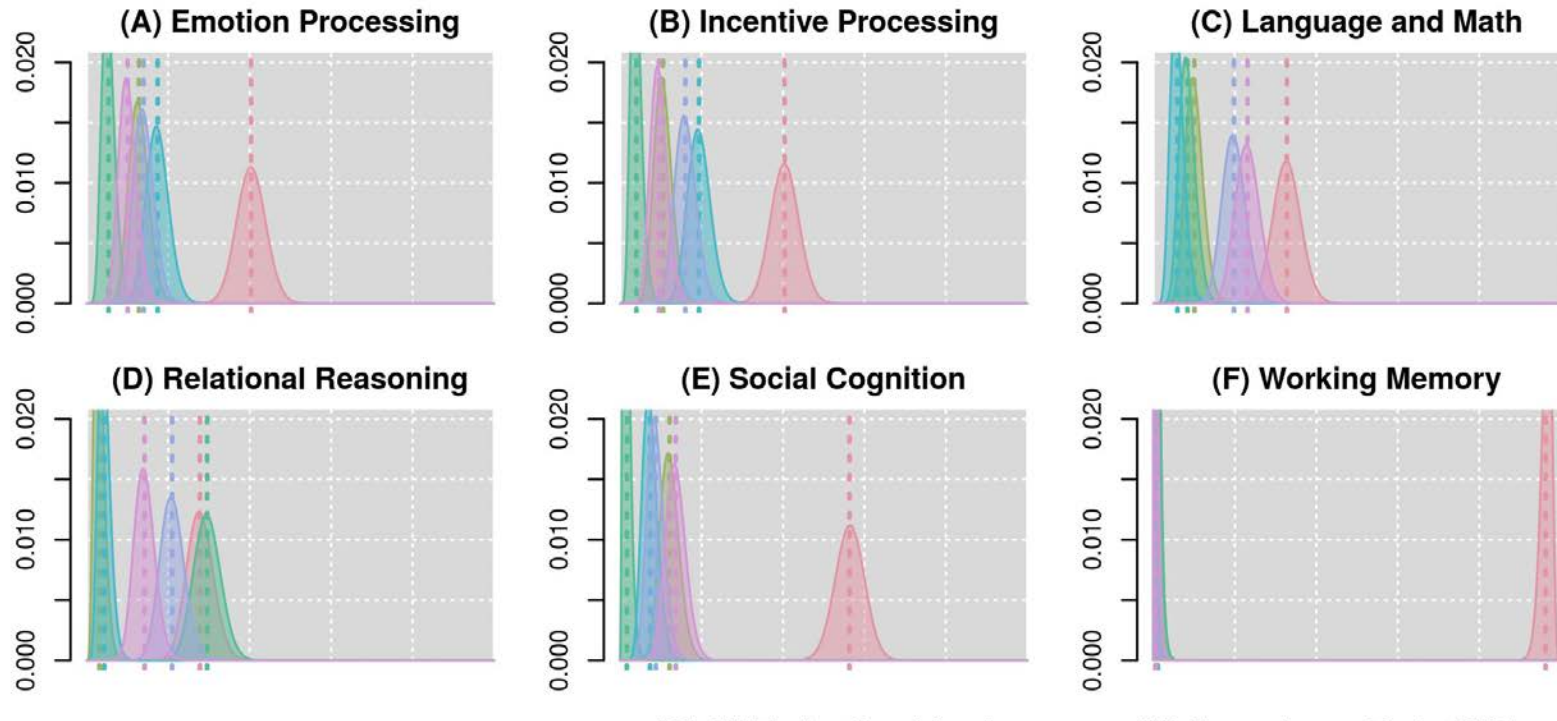
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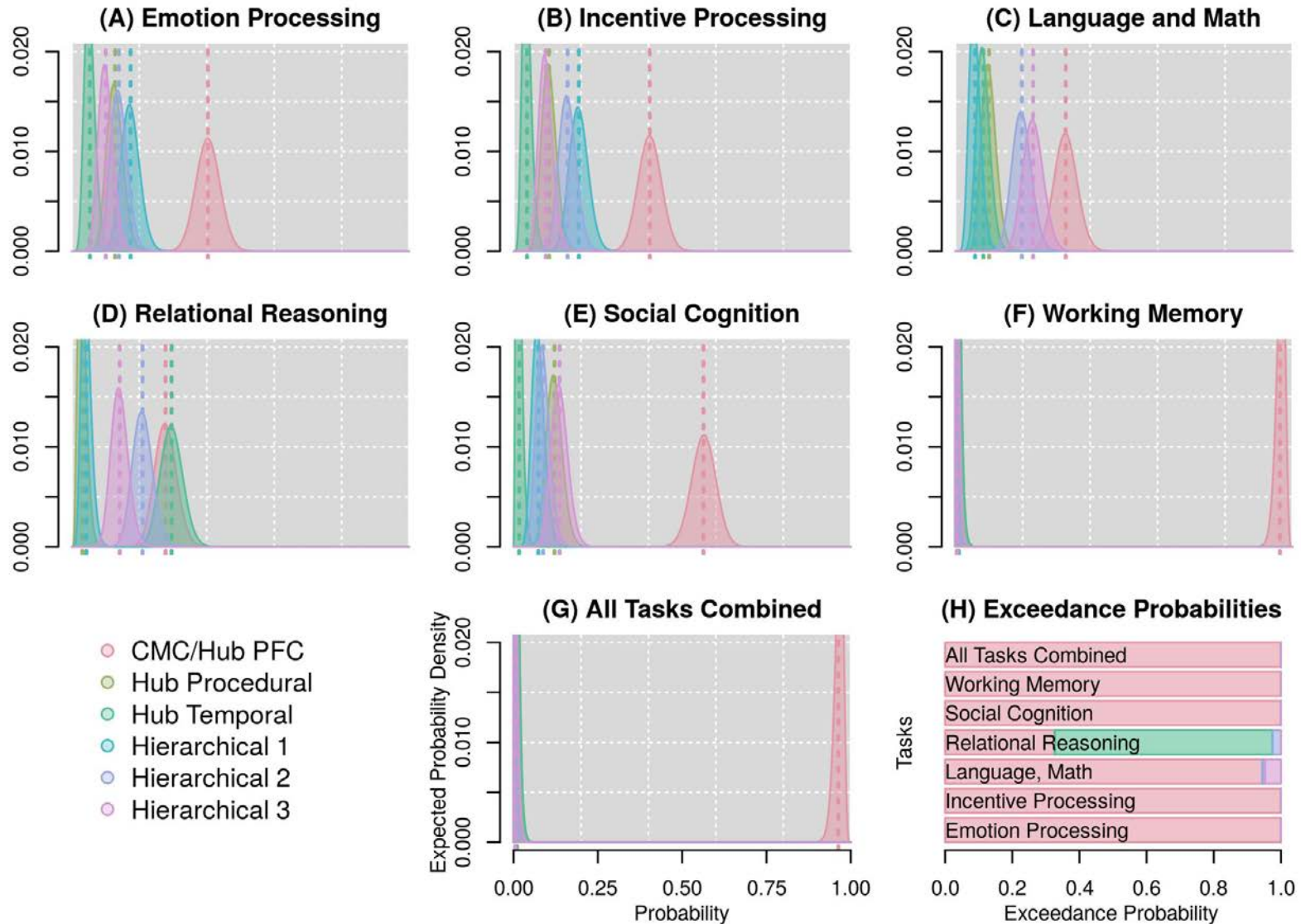


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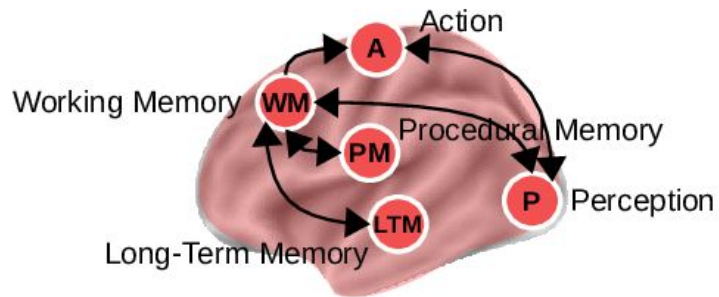
- CMC/Hub PFC
- Hub Procedural
- Hub Temporal
- Hierarchical 1
- Hierarchical 2
- Hierarchical 3

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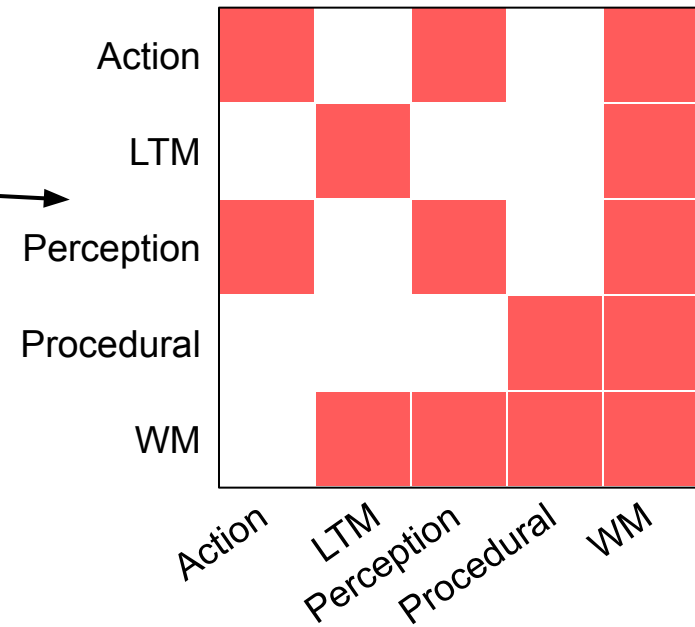
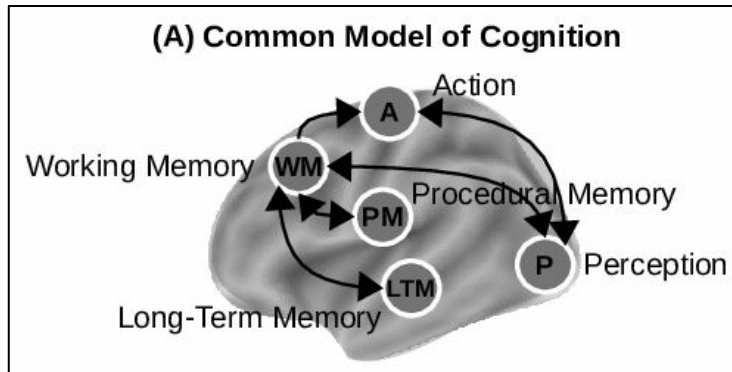


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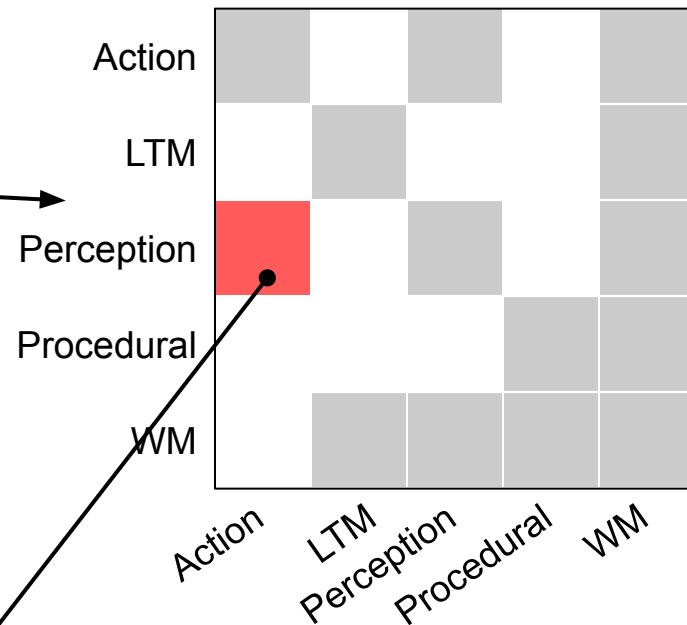
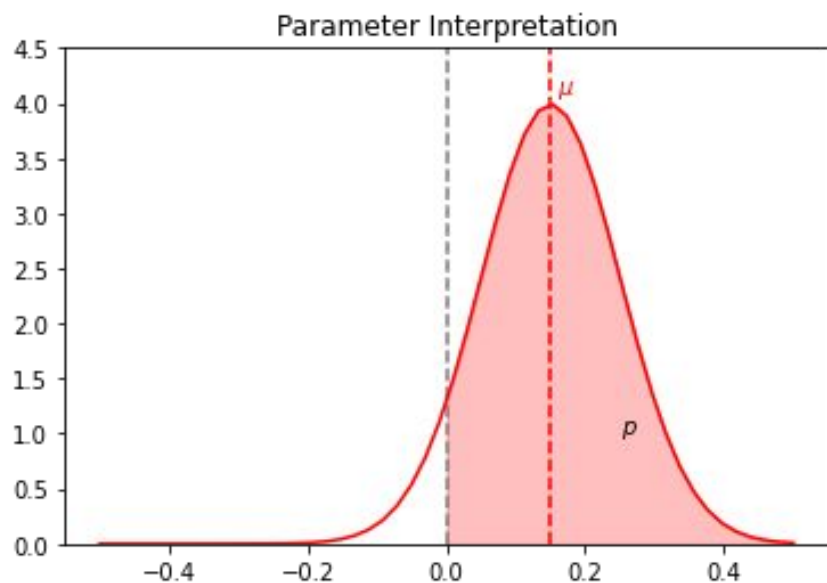
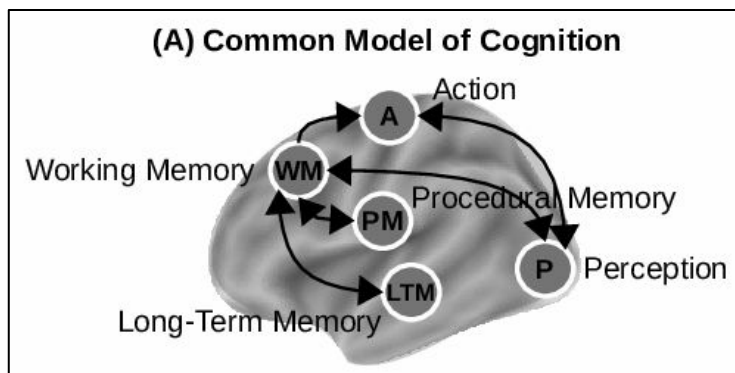
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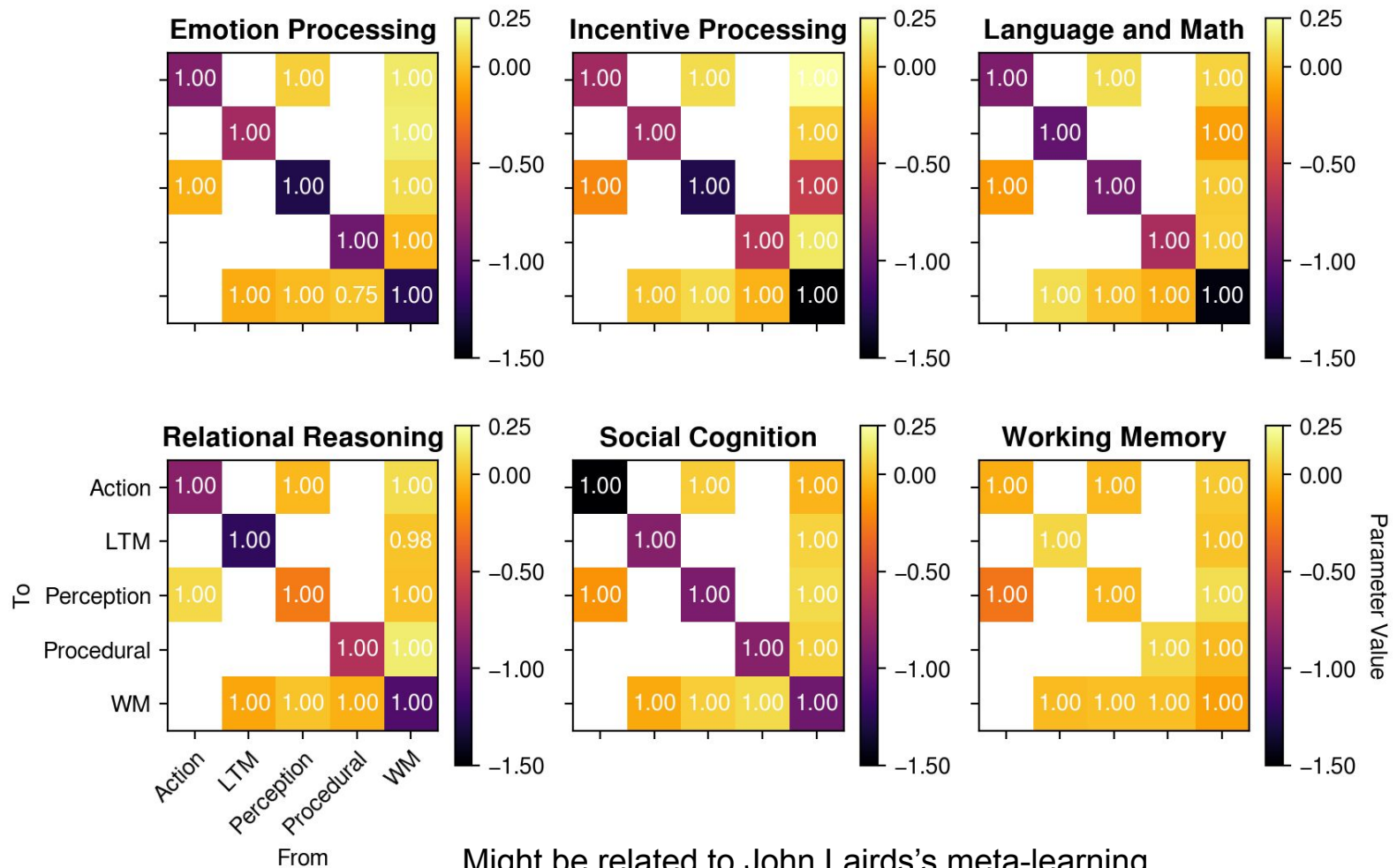
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Connectivity Values Across Tasks



Might be related to John Lairds's meta-learning data from his first talk ?

Interim Conclusion

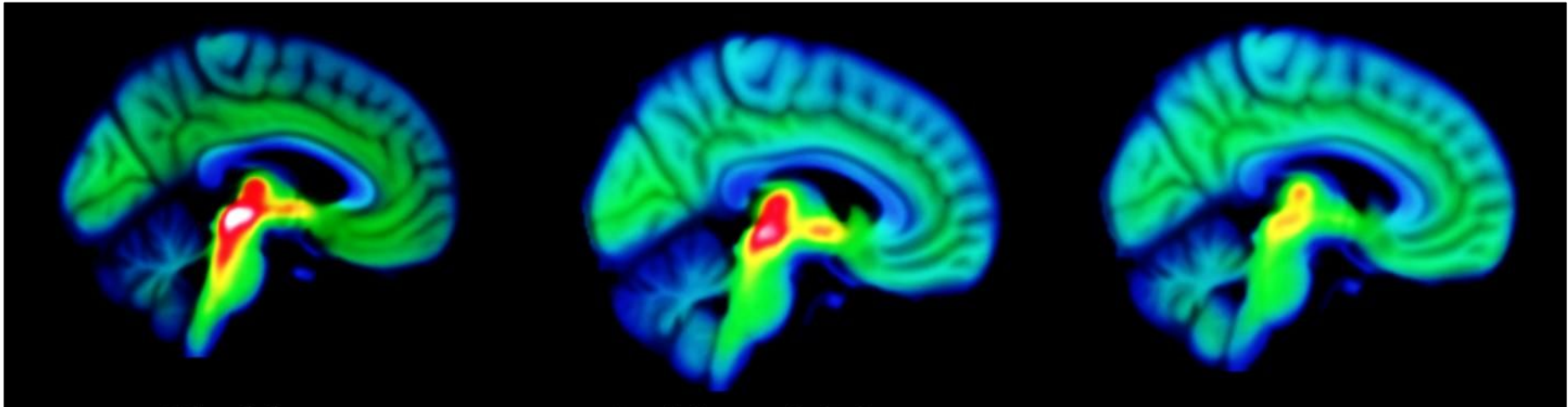
- The CMC works surprisingly well as a high-level architecture for the human brain
 - Fits the **generality** and **superiority** criteria
- The success rests on two factors:
 - A **central hub** (Working Memory/PFC), which might function as a **global workspace**
 - A direct **$P \leftrightarrow A$** connection
- Reminescent of dual-control theories
 - Automatic vs. Controlled (Schneider & Shiffrin)
 - Contention Scheduling + Executive (Norman & Shallice)
 - System 1 / System 2 (Kahneman)

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Parkinson's Disease (PD)

Progressive Depletion of Dopamine in PD



Healthy
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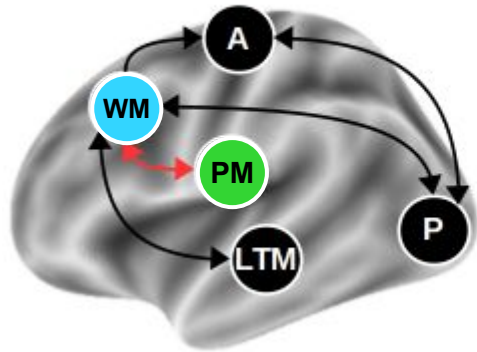
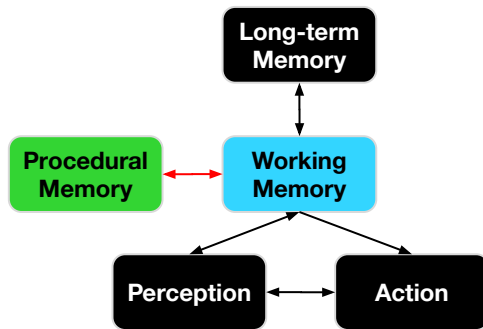
PD, Early Stages
No Symptoms

PD, Late Stages
w/ Symptoms

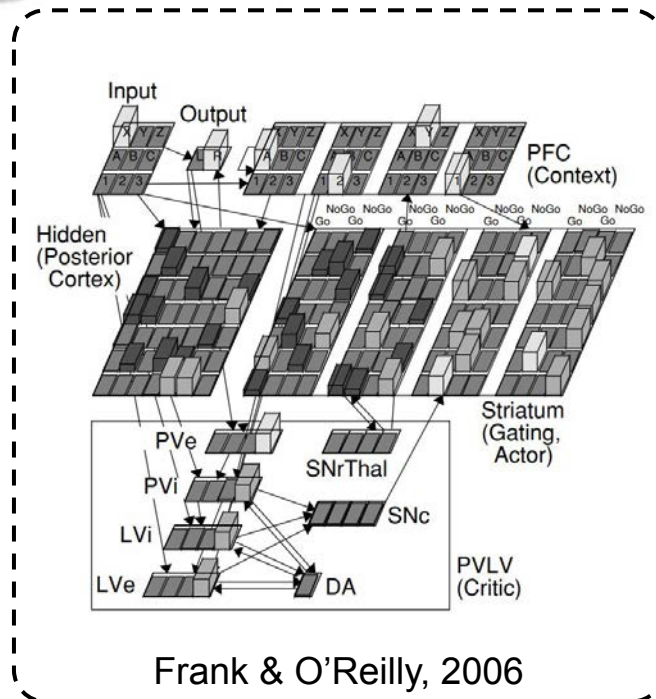
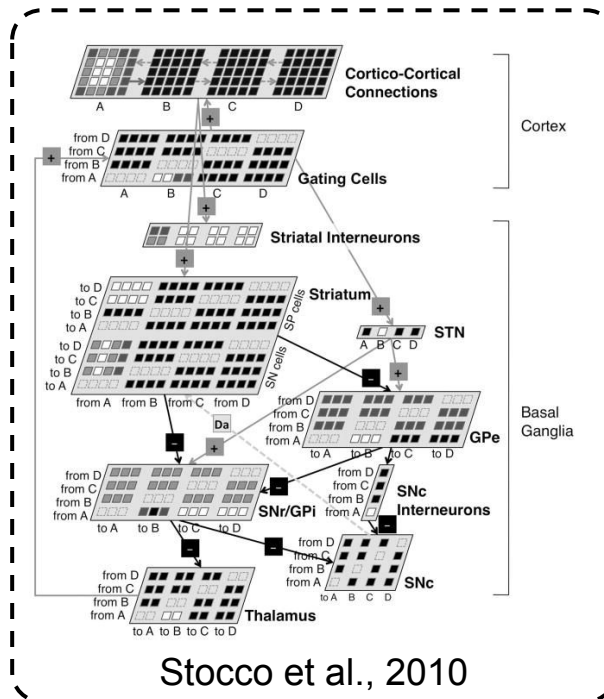
Why?

- Main reason: It's the ultimate test
 - Solid **ground truth**
 - Known **etiology** = known localized source
 - known **symptoms** = predictable effects on network parameters
- In addition, opportunity to
 - Examine resting-state data
 - Examine bilateral regions

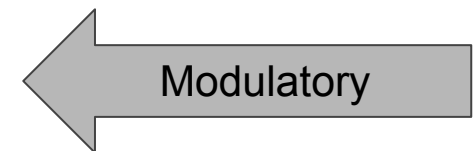
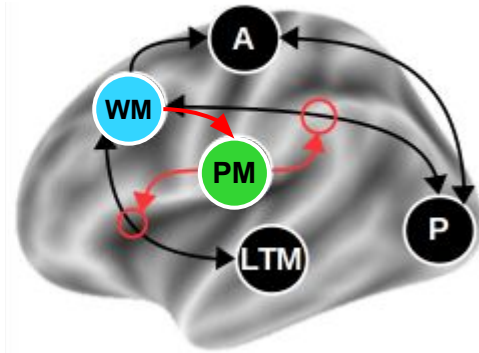
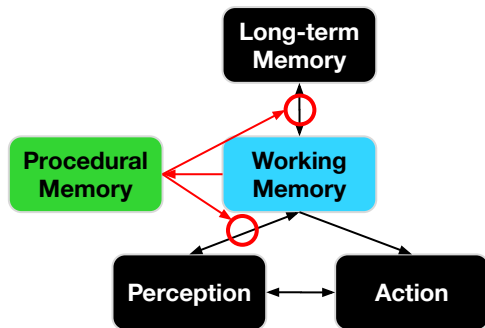
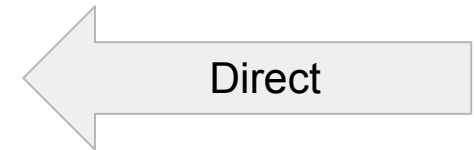
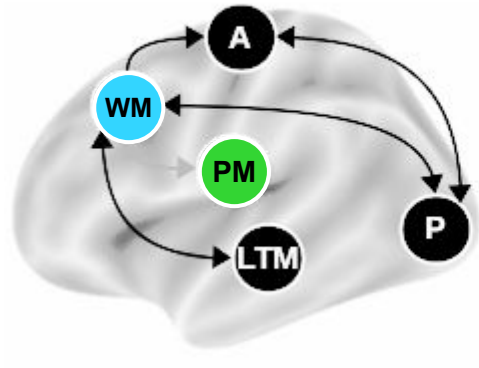
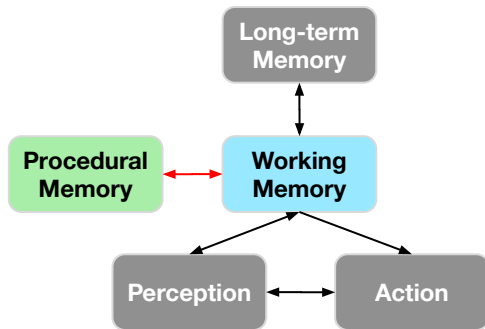
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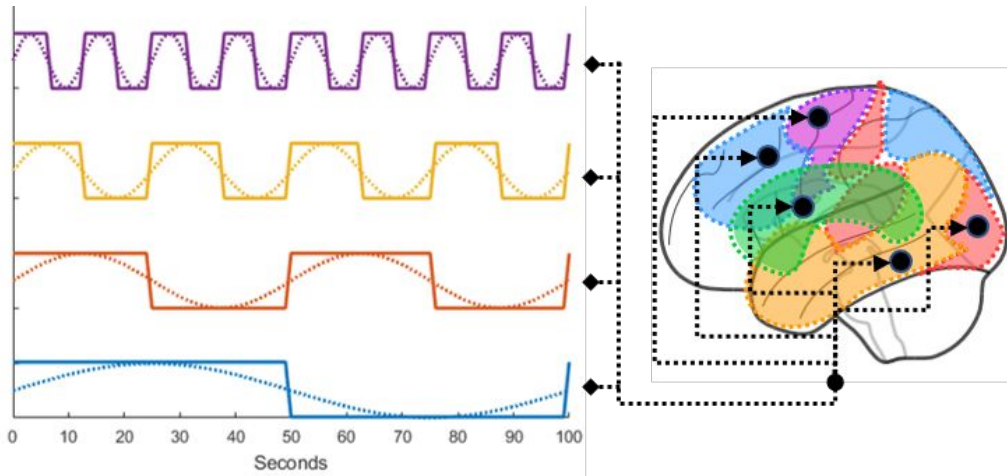


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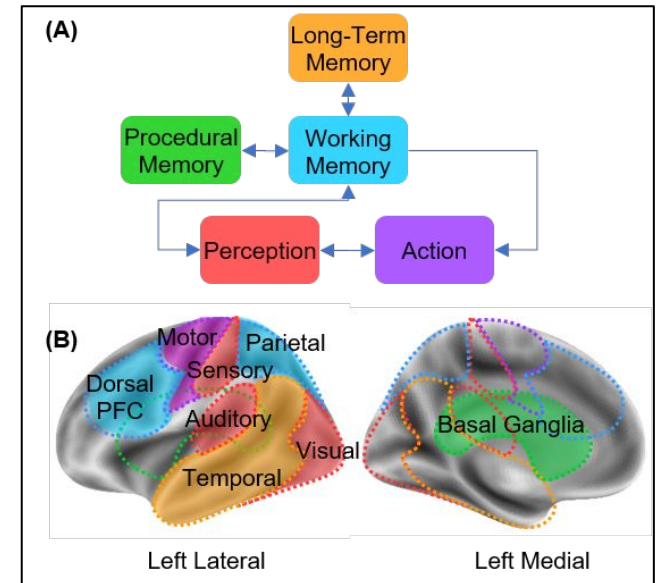
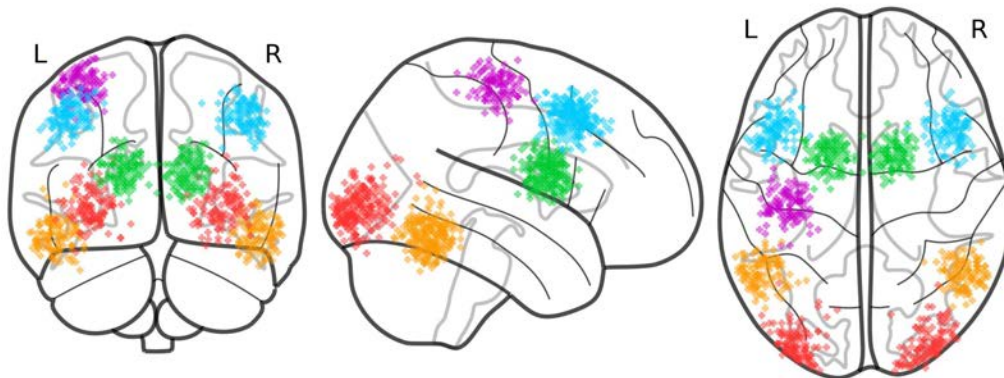


Resting State + Bilateral ROIs

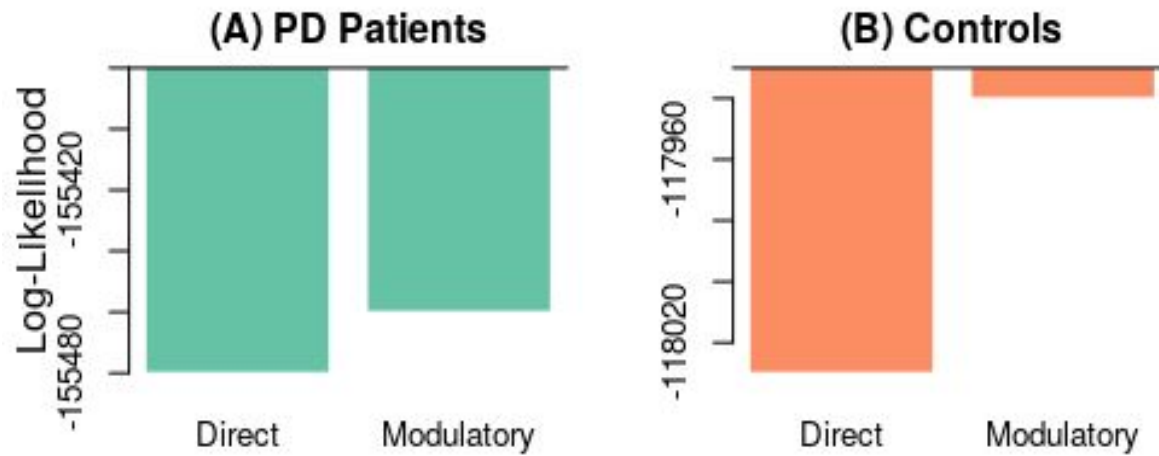
Low-Frequency Regressors Sine Regressors for Resting State



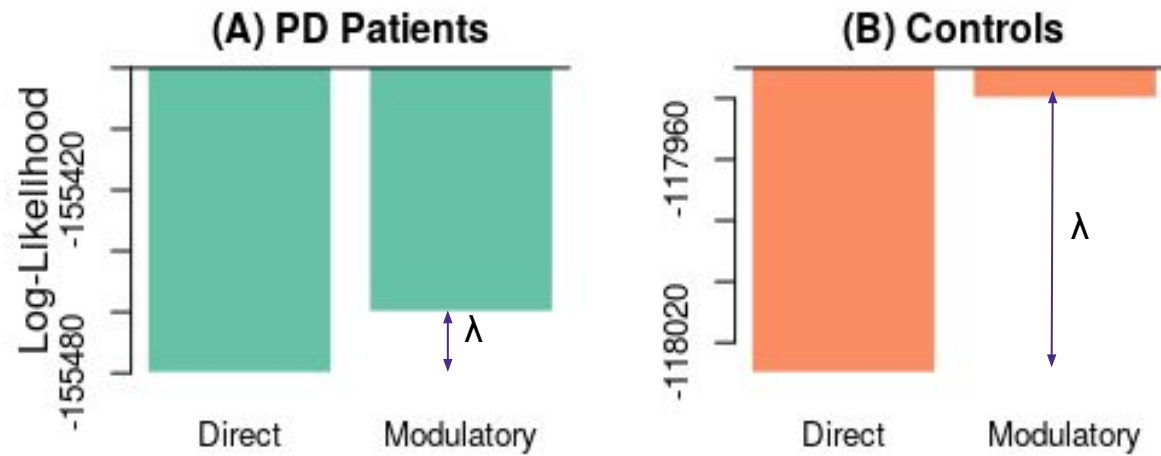
Individualized locations of bilateral ROIs across participants



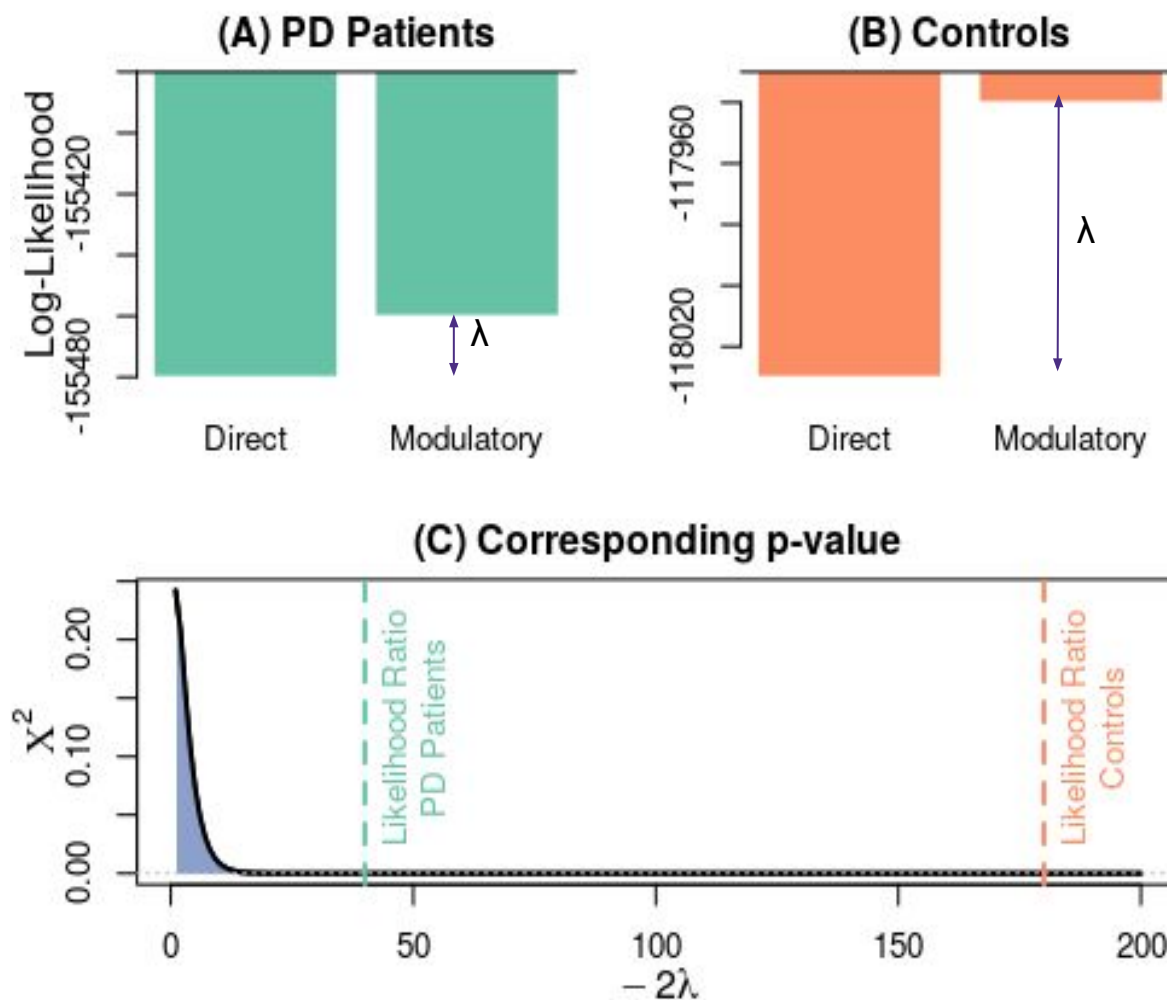
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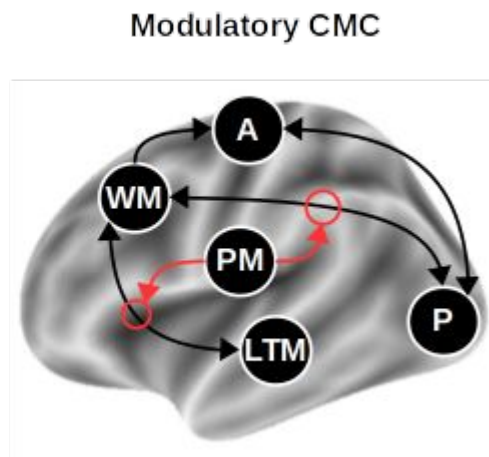
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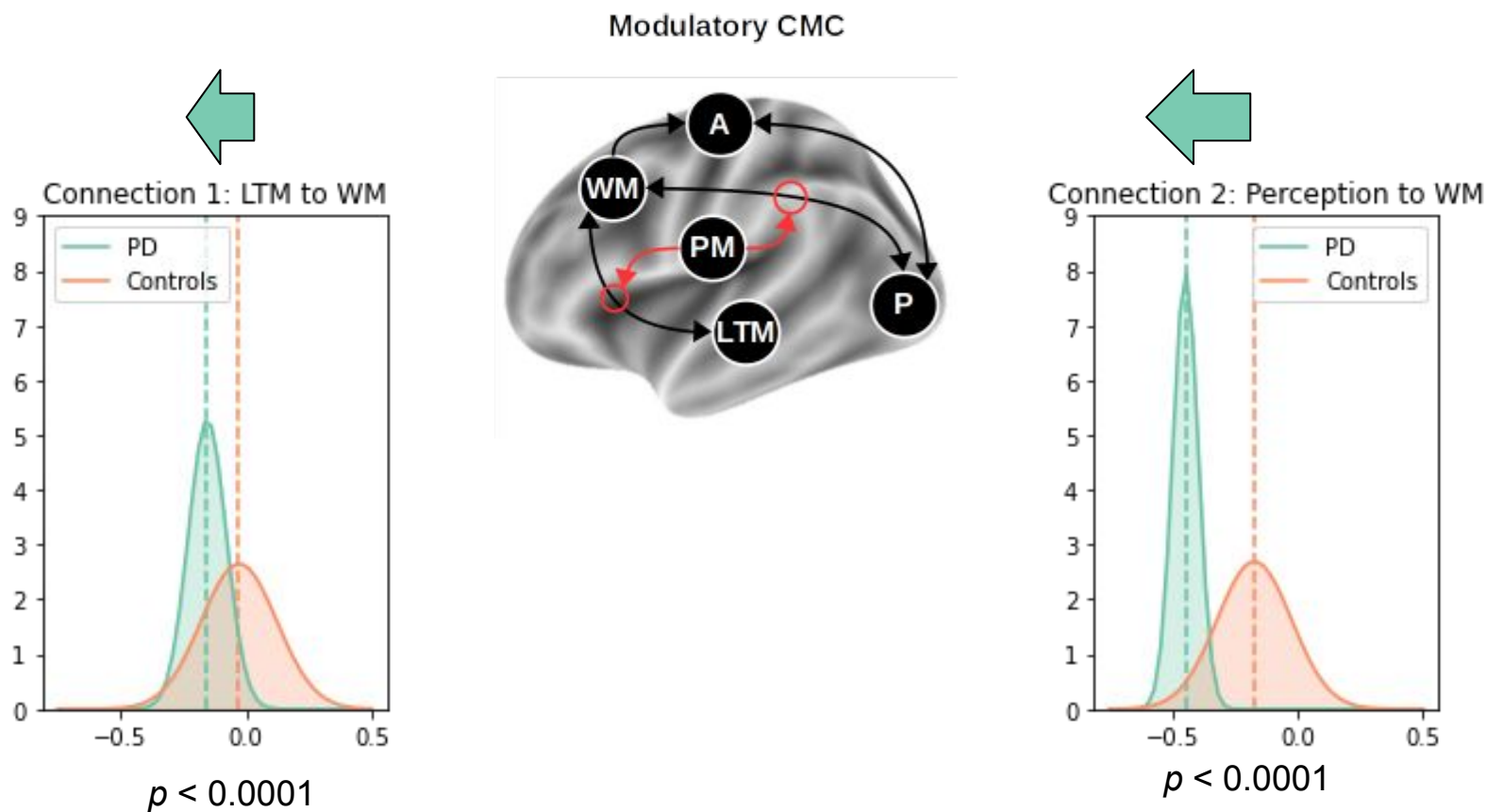
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