




认知心理学进阶第四讲： 磁共振物理

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认知心理学进阶课程

每小组分配10个磁共振成像机时(总价值约7.5万元), 设计功能磁共振成像实验研究某一特定认知心理过程, 并撰写项目报告。小组实验方案将酌情择优提供持续支持。

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磁共振物理

什么是磁共振成像?
磁共振物理MR Physics
核磁共振的硬件 Hardware
射频系统 RF
梯度系统 Gradient
Sequence 序列

TR TE
TI T2 T2*
Excitation
Relaxation

Courtesy of Dr. Joe Yazhuo Kong @ IPCAS MRIRC

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磁共振物理

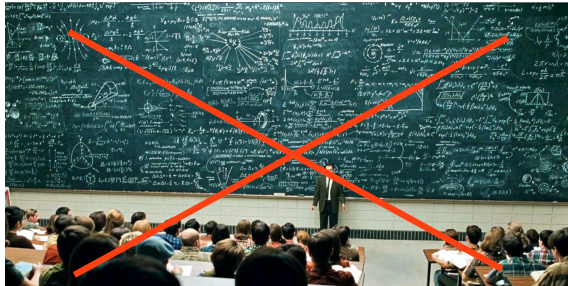


那些没用的机器
One of those useless machines
有一种叫做磁共振
They used to make way called an MRI.
恐怕还剩下一个
If we had any of those left,
医生们就能及时发现
the doctors would've been able to find
我妻子脑内的囊肿
the cyst in my wife's brain
而不是在她死后
before she died instead of afterwards
那么坐在这里听这些话的人就会是她而不是我了
Then she'd have been the one listening to this instead of me.

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Physics of MRI

Good news...
you don't need to know/understand Quantum Mechanics!



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磁共振成像技术



核磁共振成像

Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Imaging

“核” — 氢原子核 ^1H

人体大约70%是由水组成的
MRI即依赖水中氢原子

Magnetic Field (磁场)
Radio Frequency Wave (RF) (射频)
Nuclei of the tissue generates MR Signal
(组织的原子核产生MR信号)

在对身体没有损害的前提下，快速地获得人体内部结构的高精度立体图像，胎儿也可以使用！

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布洛赫(Felix Bloch) 珀塞尔 (Edward Purcell)

1952年诺贝尔物理学奖：布洛赫(Felix Bloch) & 珀塞尔 (Edward Purcell)
发展了核磁共振测量的新方法及由此所作的发现——核磁共振。

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1991年诺贝尔化学奖：
恩斯特R.R.Ernst (1933-) 瑞士物理化学家



高分辨核磁共振波谱学方面的杰出贡献

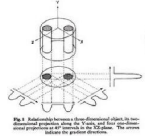
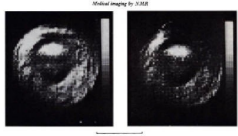
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- 二维核磁共振谱

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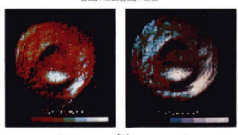
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2003年诺贝尔医学奖：
美国科学家保罗·劳特布尔 (Paul Lauterbur)
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Lauterbur, 1973

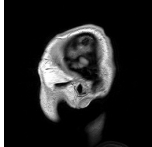
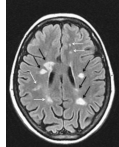
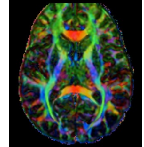
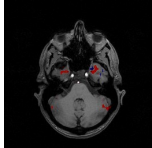
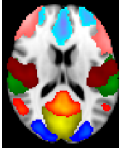
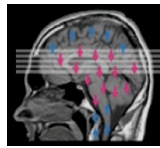


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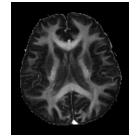
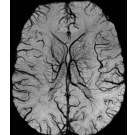
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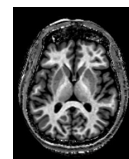
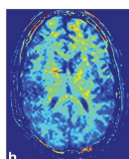
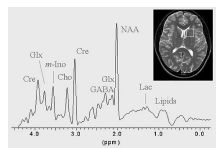
Basic Brain MRI

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Advanced MRI

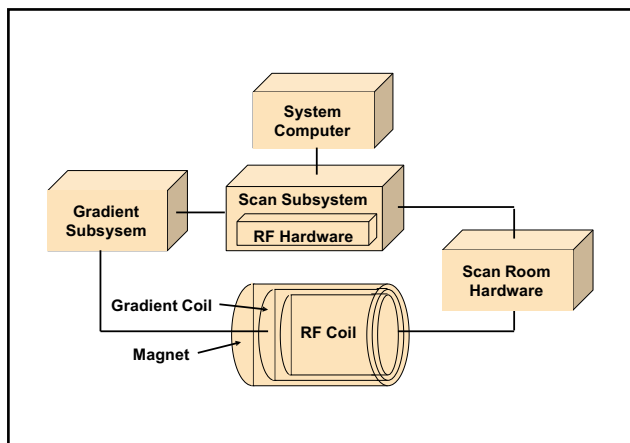



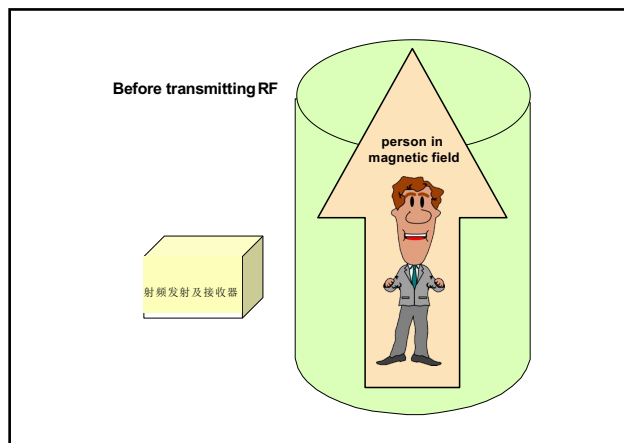
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Magnetisation transfer CEST MR spectroscopy

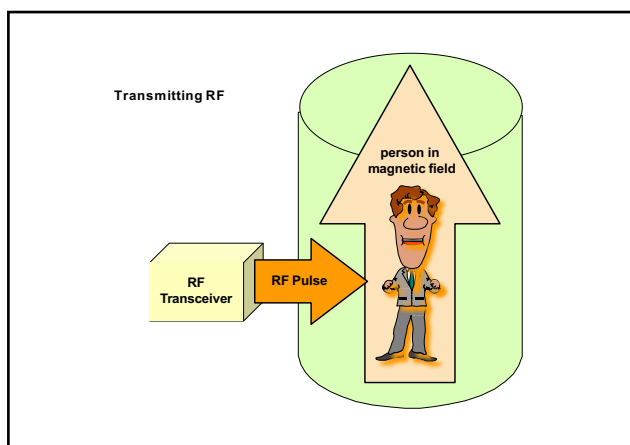
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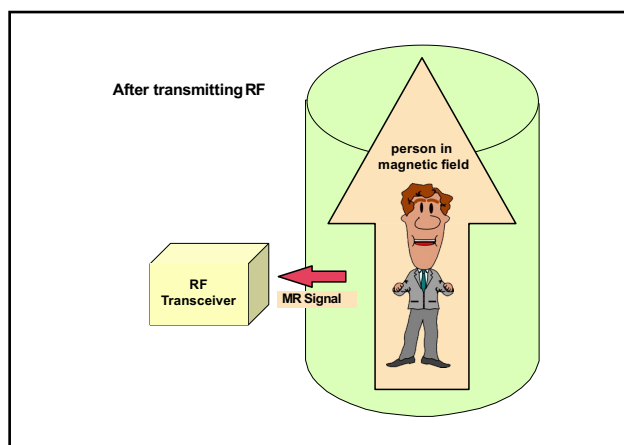
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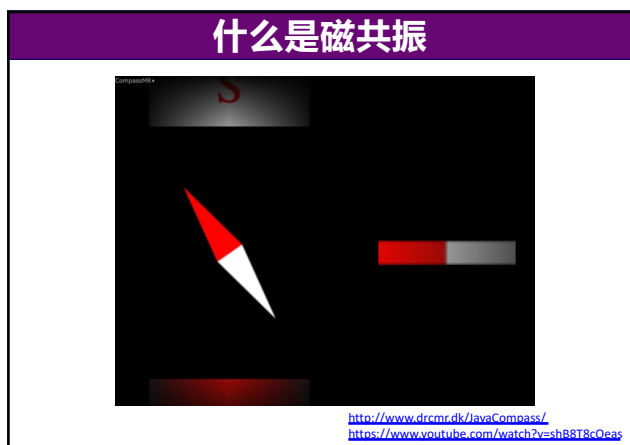
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磁共振物理的一些基本概念

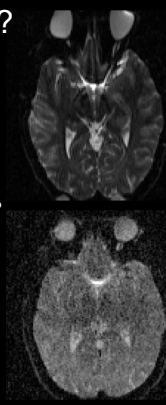
- 原子核的自旋和磁矩
- 自旋磁矩在外磁场中的能量状态
- 产生核磁共振的条件
- 拉莫尔方程 (Larmor equation)
- 宏观磁矩
- 射频场对宏观磁矩的作用
- 弛豫过程和弛豫时间

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Why learn MRI physics?

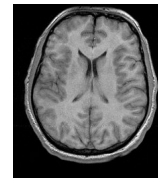
Which image is "better"?

- Better signal-to-noise ratio (SNR)?
- Higher resolution?
- Better contrast-to-noise ratio (CNR)?
- Faster to acquire?
- Lower distortion?

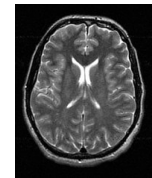


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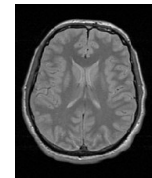
Structural MRI



T₁-weighted



T₂-weighted



Proton
Density
质子密度加权像

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The Magnet

Earth's magnetic field
 5×10^{-5} Tesla

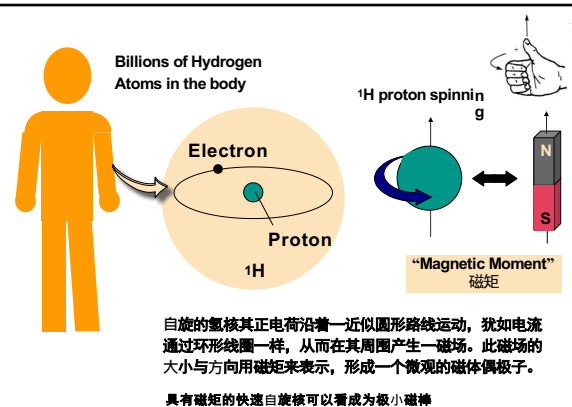
Bar magnet
0.01 - 0.1 Tesla

Scrapyard magnet
1 Tesla

Human MRI
0.2 - 11.7 Tesla

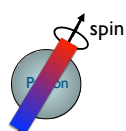


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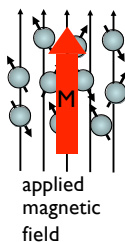
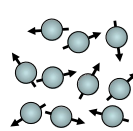


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The behavior of magnetic moment of Proton in a magnetic field
(在磁场中质子磁矩的行为)

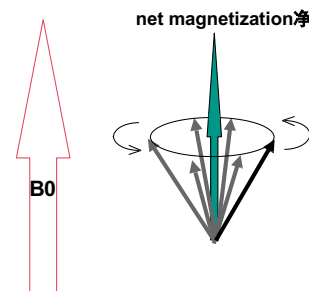


→ Polarisation



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The magnetic field (B_0) causes **precession** of the magnetic moment (磁场导致磁矩的进动)



有序排列的质子呈快速锥形旋转运动，称为进动 (Precession)

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Frequency of precession - unique to each nucleus
进动频率

Larmor Equation $\omega = \gamma B$

ω : angular frequency 角频率
 γ : magnetogyric ratio 磁旋比
 B : magnetic field strength 磁场强度

High Magnetic Field (4.5T)
63.89 MHz (1H) 高磁场

Low Magnetic Field (0.5T)
21.29 MHz (1H) 低磁场

射频脉冲: 向被试发射短促的无线电波, 称为射频脉冲 [radiofrequency (RF)]
 共振: 当 RF 脉冲与质子进动频率相同时, 就可把能量传给质子, 使其由低能态变为高能态, 即为共振。
 质子进动频率由 Larmor 方程算出 $\omega_0 = \gamma B_0$
 其中 ω_0 为进动频率 (单位 Hz); γ 为磁旋比; B_0 为外磁场强度, 场强单位为特斯拉 (Tesla, T)

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Resonance 共振 is - absorbing and reemitting energy

example : tuning fork 振动音叉

sonic wave

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In MR, Radio Frequency waves (RF) are absorbed and reemitted

Magnetic resonance of ^1H in 0.5 T

Larmor frequency is 21.29 MHz

RF pulse 21.29 MHz

the precession angle increases
(absorbs energy)

RF Off

goes back to original state
(reemits energy)

发射与质子进动频率相同的 RF 脉冲, 产生两种效应: 一些指向上的质子吸收能量跃迁至高能级而指向下。向上与向下的质子磁力相互抵消, 使纵向磁化减小; 同时导致质子同步、同速运动, 即同相位, 其磁力叠加起来而出现横向的磁矢量, 即横向磁化

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什么是磁共振

www.drcmr.dk/CompassMR

Coil
 Quad
 Spin
 Push

B_0 : 0.0 mT
 B_1 : 0.0 mT
 B_1 freq: 0.00 Hz

<http://www.drcmr.dk/javaCompass/>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=shB8T8cQeas>

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Compass Needle Analogy

- Some key points here:
 - The main magnetic field (B_0) causes the spins (compass needle) to align with it: **Polarisation**
 - The stronger the main magnetic field, the faster the *natural oscillations* of the spins (needle): **Precession**
 - We can knock the spins (needle) out of alignment with the main magnetic field using a weaker oscillating field *only if* the oscillation frequency matches the natural oscillation frequency: **Excitation**
 - Once the spins (needle) are oscillating, we can detect them: **Signal Reception**
 - The spins (needle) will eventually stop oscillating and realign with the main magnetic field: **Relaxation**

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Coordinate system

Direction of main field (B_0) defines coordinate system

Longitudinal axis: parallel to B_0 (designated as z)

Transverse plane: perpendicular to B_0 (designated as x,y)

MRI experiments involve re-orienting M relative to B_0

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review

What is needed for resonance?共振需要什么?

- large number of nuclei (with spin and magnetic moment)
Hydrogen atoms 氢原子
- a static magnetic field 净磁场
Magnet 磁体
- RF pulse 射频脉冲
absorb and re-emit energy
the "re-emitted energy is the "MR Signal"
(再释放的能量是MR信号)

磁共振条件: 原子核发生共振吸收时的射频场的角频率等于自旋核在磁场中旋进的角频率(拉莫尔频率 ω_0), 这就是磁共振条件。

磁共振: 处于恒定外磁场 B_0 中的自旋核, 由于核磁矩取向和旋进引起能级分裂, 如果在与外磁场垂直的平面内再加一个旋转的磁场 B_1 (也称为射频场, 记为RF), 只要 B_1 的能量子恰好等于原子核能级分裂的裂距, 即满足拉莫尔公式, 原子核就会吸收这个能量, 从低能态激发到高能态, 这一过程就是核磁共振中的共振吸收。停止RF照射, 处于激发态的核磁矩将会回到低能态, 同时发射RF, 整个吸收和发射的过程称为磁共振。

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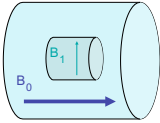
RF Coils



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RF Coils

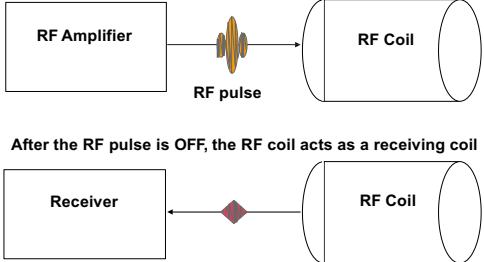
- Generate a magnetic field perpendicular to the main magnetic field of the scanner
- Coil to 'excite' the protons (transmit)
- Coil to detect (receive) their resonance
- Can be the same coil, or can be different coils



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RF Excitation

The actual pulse transmitted to the RF coil is a sinc pulse

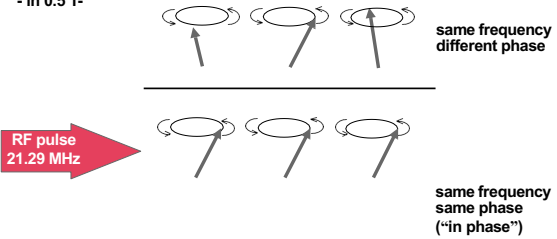


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What does the RF pulse do?

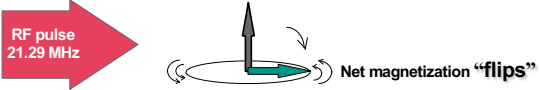
1. It makes the nuclei precess "in phase"

- in 0.5 T-



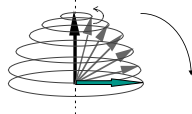
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2. It transfers energy to the nuclei

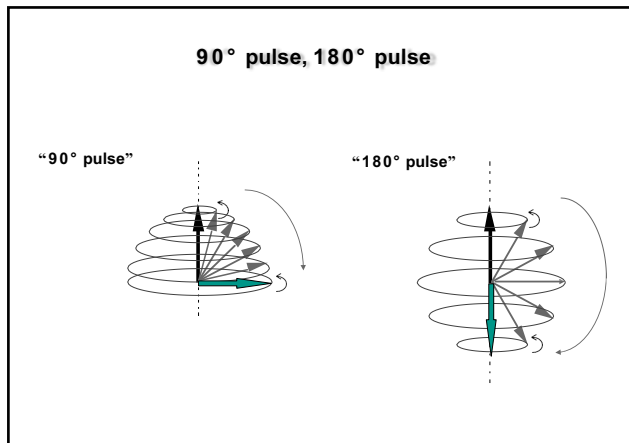


Net magnetization "flips"

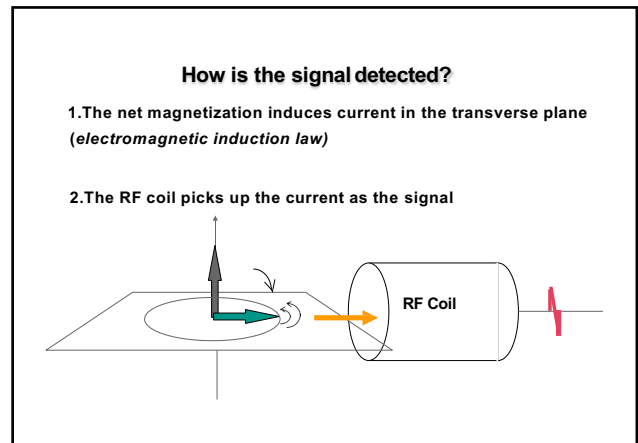
The "flipping" motion is actually a spiralling motion:



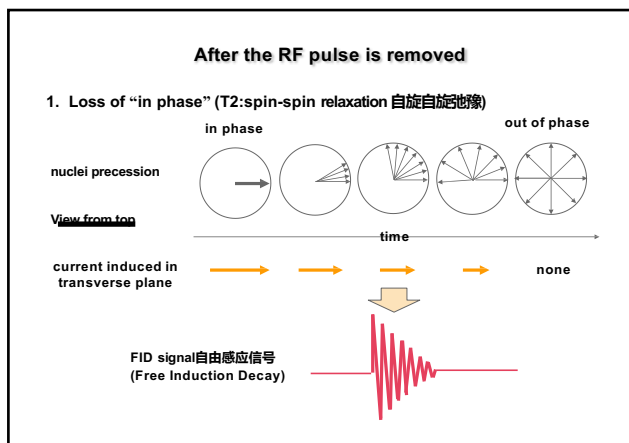
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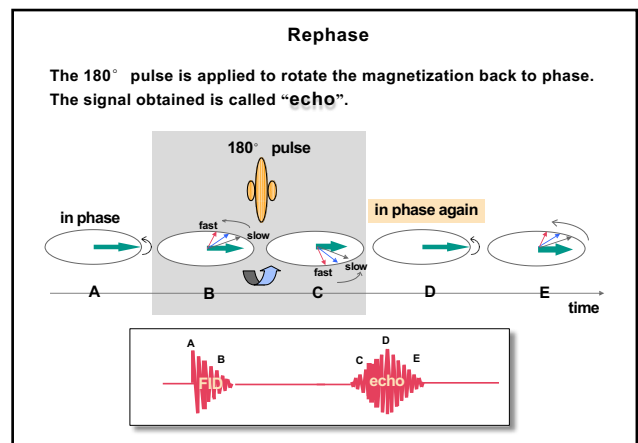
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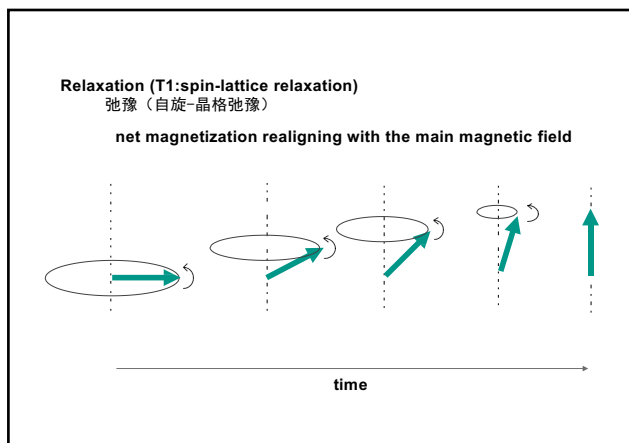
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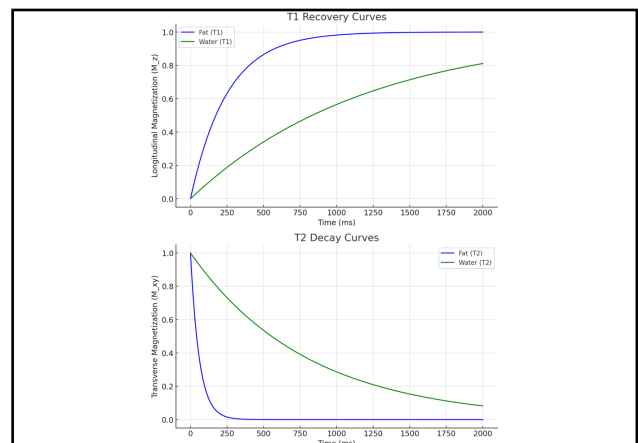
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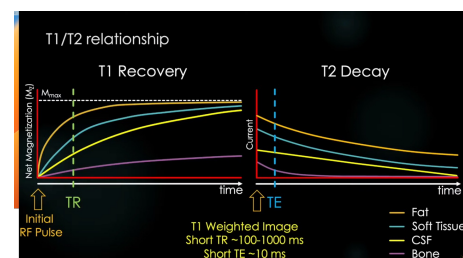
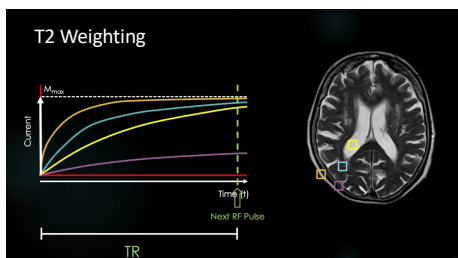
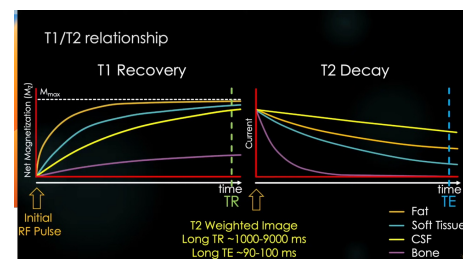
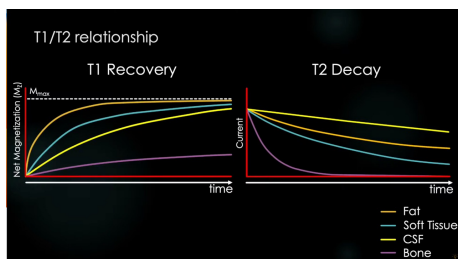
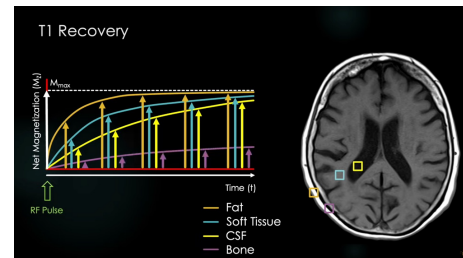
弛豫 中止RF射频后，由RF所引起的变化恢复到原来的平衡状态。分为纵向弛豫（自旋晶格弛豫）和横向弛豫（自旋自旋弛豫），分别为纵向磁化恢复和横向磁化消失的过程

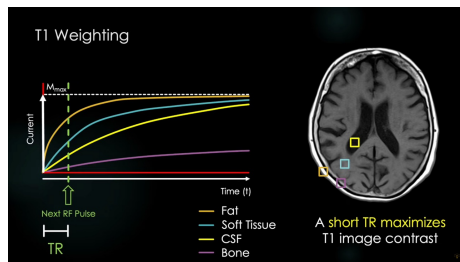
纵向弛豫时间 纵向磁化由0恢复到原来数值的63%所需的时间，为纵向弛豫时间 (longitudinal relaxation time)，简称 T_1

横向弛豫时间 横向磁化由最大减小到最大值的37%所需的时间，为横向弛豫时间 (transverse relaxation time)，简称 T_2

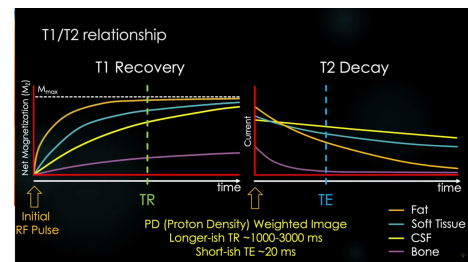
- T_1 、 T_2 是时间常数，不是绝对值。
- T_1 长于 T_2 生物组织的弛豫时间， T_1 为300ms~2000ms， T_2 为30ms~150ms 水的 T_1 、 T_2 都长，而脂肪的 T_1 、 T_2 均短。
- 病变组织如肿瘤常比周围组织含水量高，故 T_1 、 T_2 常较长。 T_1 的长短同组织成分、结构和磁环境有关，与外磁场强度也有关。
- T_2 的长短同外磁场和组织内磁场的均匀性有关

组织	T_1	T_2	组织	T_1	T_2
大脑	600	100	脑脊液	1155	145
膀胱体	380	80	头皮	235	60
脑桥	445	75	脊髓	320	80
小脑	585	90			

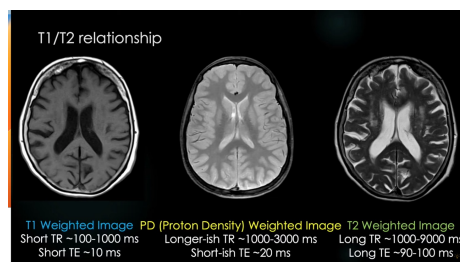




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The RF pulse "flips" the net magnetization vector
射脉冲翻转净磁化矢量

actually it is a spiralling motion 实际上它是螺旋形移动

When the RF coil does not send RF, it acts as a receiving coil 当射频线圈不发射射脉冲时, 它充当接收线圈

"MR signal" is actually the current induced by the magnetization vector
MR信号实际上是由磁化矢量感应的电流

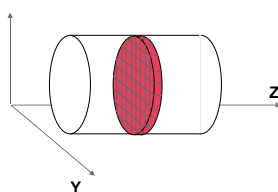
After the RF pulse is turned off, the current induced begins to weaken - the signal begins to decay (FID)
当射脉冲停止后, 感应电流开始变弱—信号开始衰减

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梯度磁场

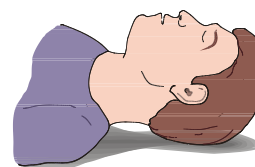
What are gradient fields for?

Gradient fields are needed for spatial information (空间信息)



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Field Gradients

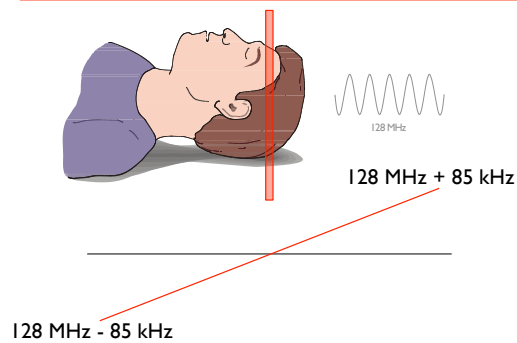


$3T + 0.2T$

$3T - 0.2T$

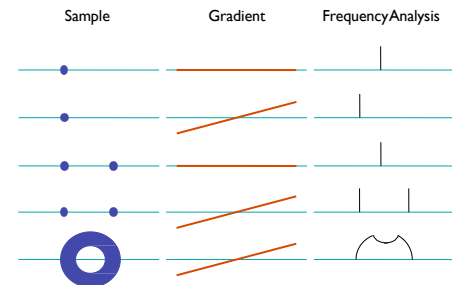
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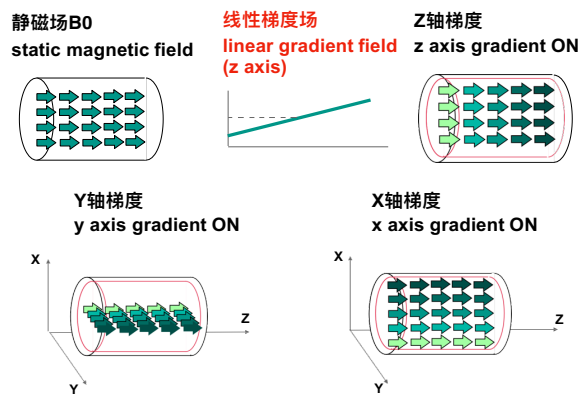


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1D Spatial Encoding

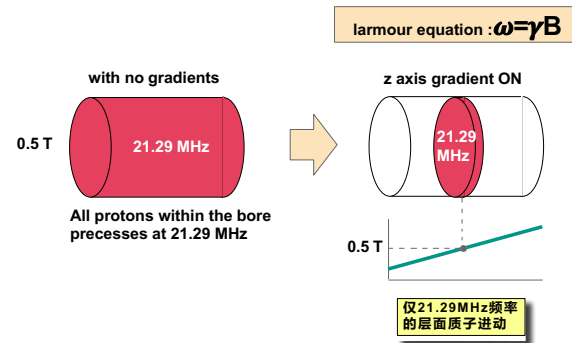


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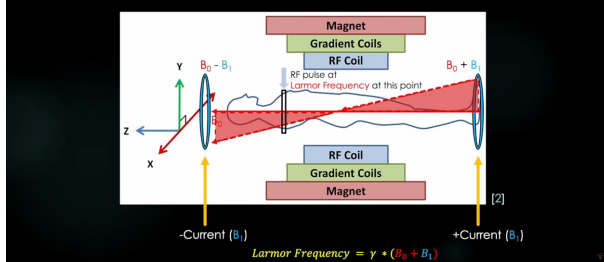
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Slice Selective Excitation



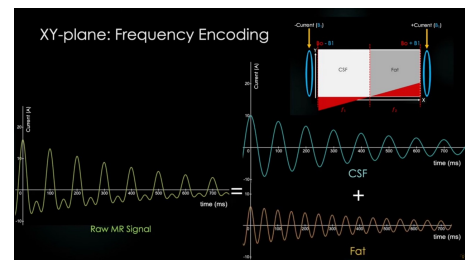
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Z-axis: Slice Select Gradient

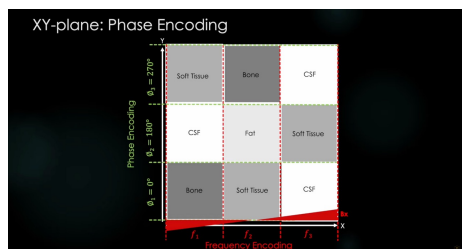


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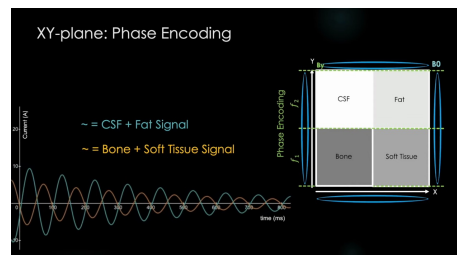
XY-plane: Frequency Encoding



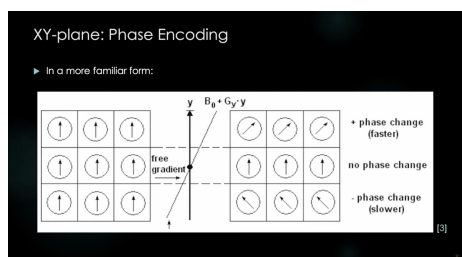
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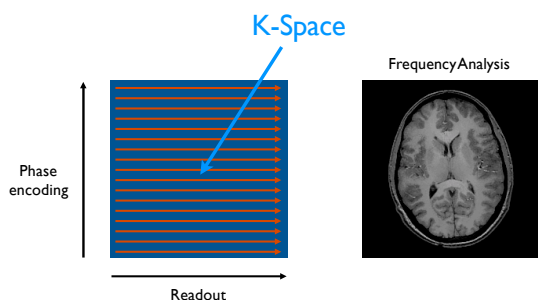


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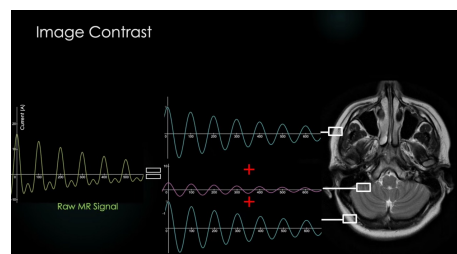


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Phase Encoding

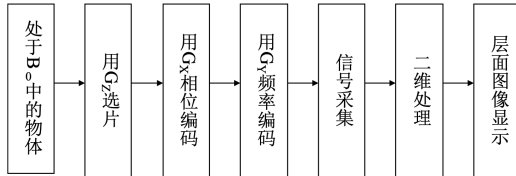


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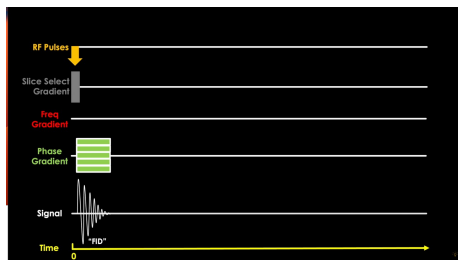
图像重建方法：采集的核磁共振信号，显然带有各体素的x、y、z位置信息。要实现图像重建必须把信号按不同的频率和相位分解使像素与体素信号一一对应。在磁共振成像技术中普遍采用的是傅立叶变换图像重建。



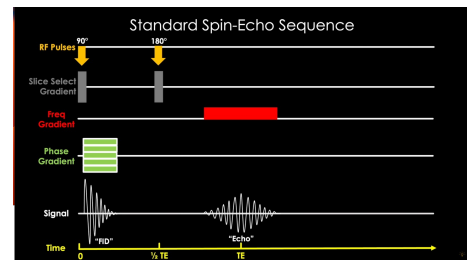
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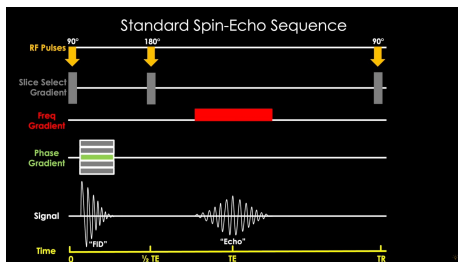
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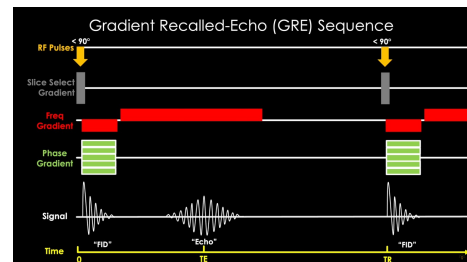
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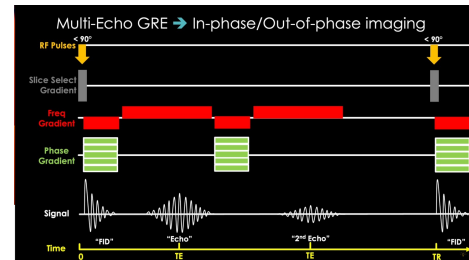
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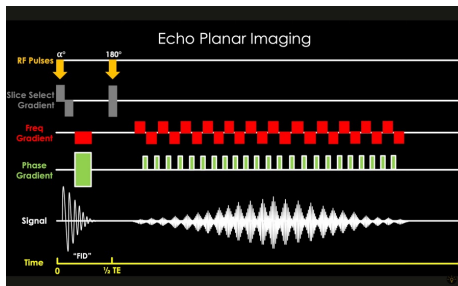
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Gradient Recalled-Echo	Spin-Echo
< 90° initial RF pulse - No rephasing pulse - Unable to recover non-random T2* effects 🙄🙄	90° initial RF pulse 180° rephasing pulse - Can recover some of these non-random T2* effects → Better image quality

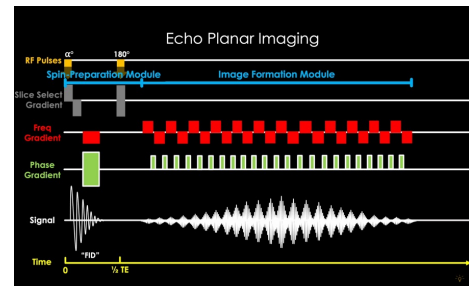
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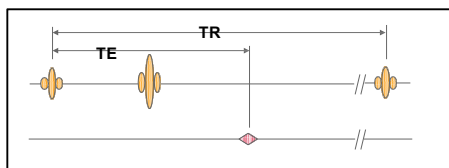
Scan Parameters: **TE** **TR**
 扫描参数: 回波时间 重复时间

TR (Repetition Time) 重复时间

The time interval from the beginning of a pulse sequence until the beginning of a next pulse sequence
 一个射频脉冲的开始到下一个射频脉冲的开始的时间间隔

TE (Echo Time) 回波时间

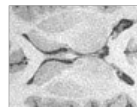
The time interval from the first RF pulse of a pulse sequence to the middle of an echo
 脉冲序列的第一个射频脉冲到一个回波的中点的时间间隔



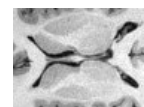
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Structural MRI Artefacts

Hardware-related



Contrast & Noise
(SNR & CNR)

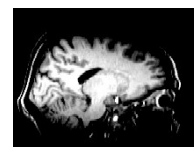


Resolution &
Partial Volume



Low-res T2*-weighted

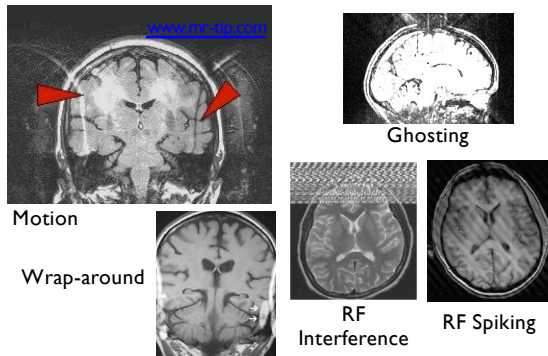
- There is always a trade-off in MRI between acquisition time, resolution and noise (Signal to Noise Ratio = SNR)



RF Bias (B1 inhomogeneity)

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Structural MRI Artefacts



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梯度回波序列

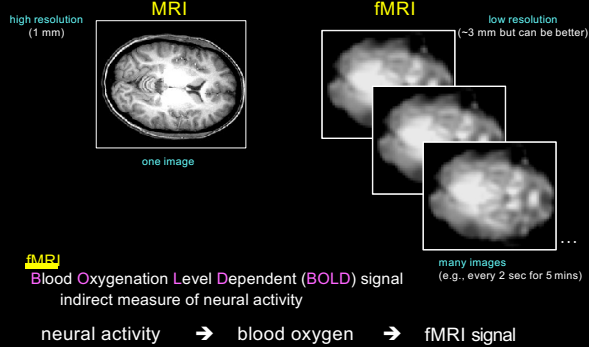
梯度回波序列 (gradient echo sequence, GRE) 是常用的快速成像序列。空间分辨率和信噪比均较高, 可获得准T₁WI、准T₂WI及准PdWI, 主要用于腹部、心血管、与流动液体相关成像及骨关节成像

回波平面成像

回波平面成像 (echo planar imaging, EPI) 是快速成像技术, 获得一个层面可短至20ms, 主要用于功能成像fMRI

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MRI vs. fMRI



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Sir Peter Mansfield

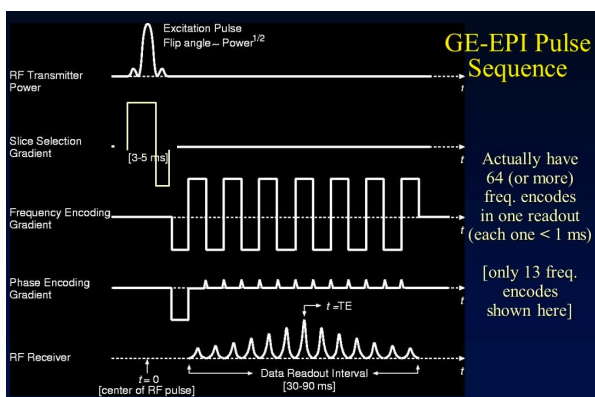
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Let's hear from Prof. Mansfield...

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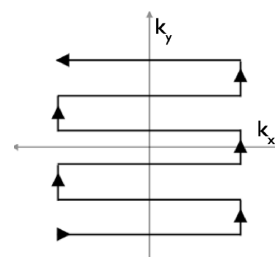
GE-EPI Pulse Sequence



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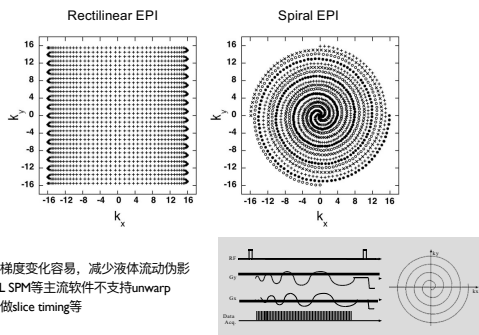
Echo Planar Imaging (EPI)

EPI is far and away the most common method for acquiring fMRI data



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Time & Space: acquisition



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Why Use EPI?

BOLD effect causes local changes in T_2^*

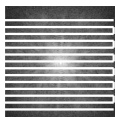
- Gradient echo EPI is a T_2^* -weighted method
- EPI signal contrast is like that of standard GRE

EPI is much faster than line-by-line GRE

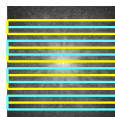
- Haemodynamic response changes occur in seconds
- EPI can acquire whole-brain data in seconds rather than minutes to better track BOLD changes

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Single shot EPI



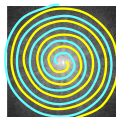
Two shot EPI



Single shot Spiral



Two shot Spiral



Echo-Planar Imaging EPI

- sample k-space in a linear zig-zag trajectory

spiral imaging

- sample k-space in a spiral trajectory

single shot imaging

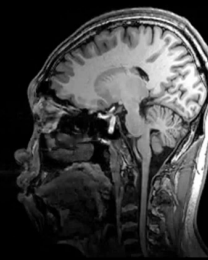
- sample k-space with one trajectory

multi-shot imaging

- sample k-space with multiple (typically 2 or 4) trajectories
- Improve spatial resolution
- Reduce artifacts

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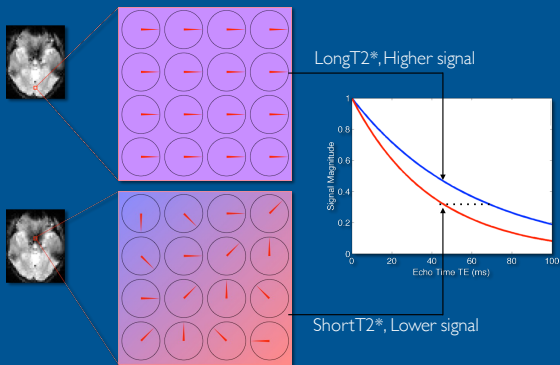
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Ascending

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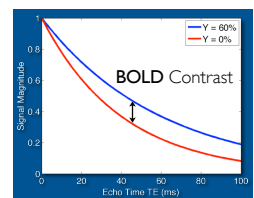
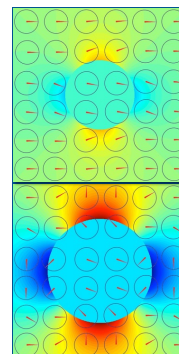
The Gradient Echo (GRE)



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BOLD Signal Contrast

Blood Oxygenation Level Dependent



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BOLD Signal Contrast

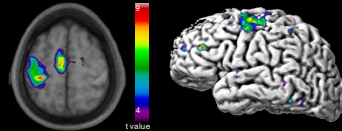
- BOLD contrast comes from signal fluctuations due to changing T_2^*
- T_2^* changes with the oxygenation state nearby blood
- $\therefore$ BOLD signal reflects blood oxygenation
- What about the neurons?
Neuro-vascular coupling

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Functional MRI (fMRI)



- indirect detection of neuronal activity
- BOLD: **B**lood **O**xygenation **L**evel **D**ependent
 - magnetic properties of hemoglobin
 - deoxyhemoglobin is like a *contrast agent*
- dynamically monitor changes in [dHb] changes and correlate with tasks or stimuli



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感谢各位同学！
敬请批评指正！

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