

# Topics:

1. Basics of eye movements
2. The eye plant and the brainstem nuclei
3. The superior colliculus
4. Visual inputs for saccade generation
5. Cortical structures involved in saccadic eye-movement control
6. The effects of paired electrical and visual stimulation
7. The effects of lesions on eye movement
8. Pharmacological studies

## 5. Cortical areas involved in saccadic eye-movement control

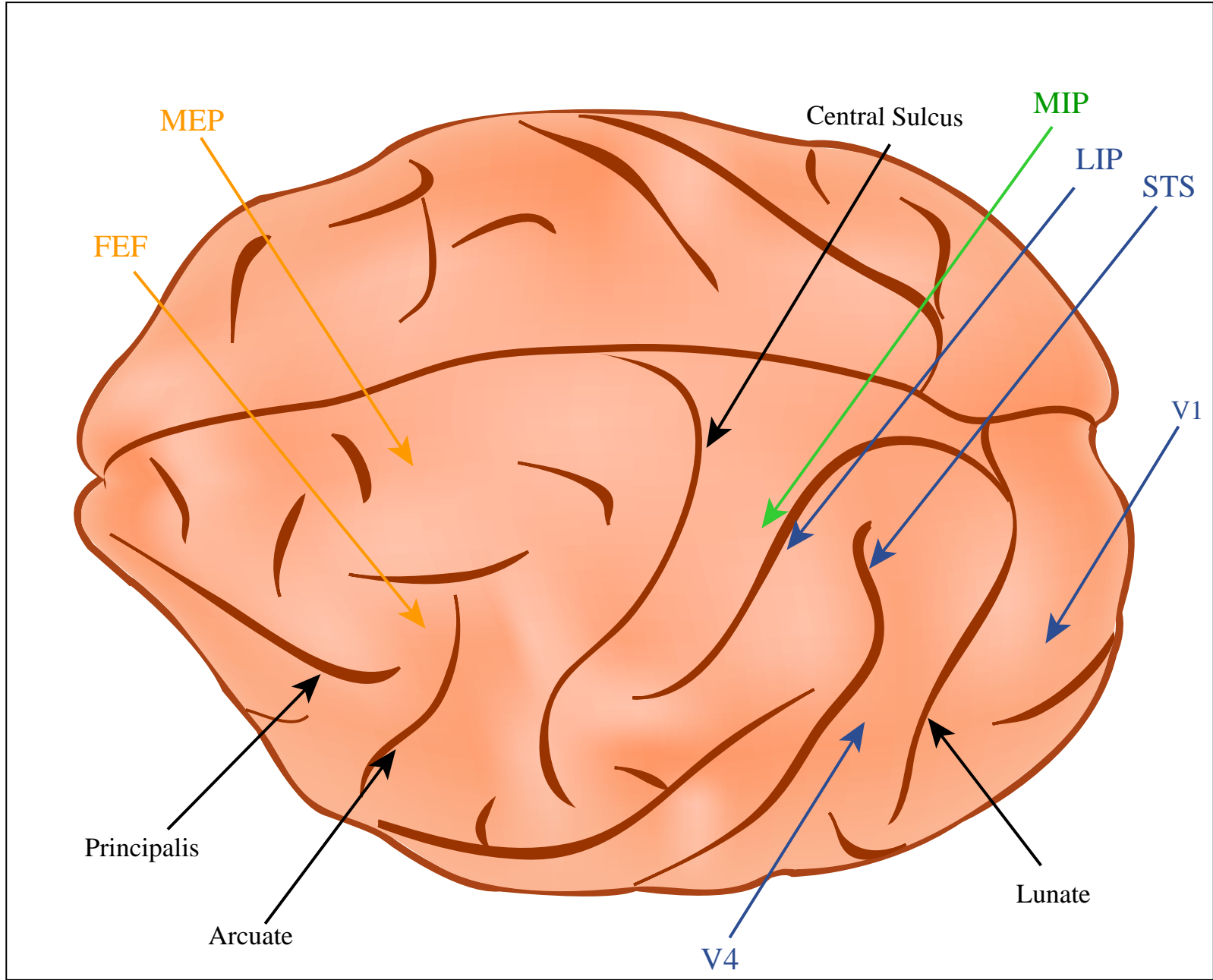
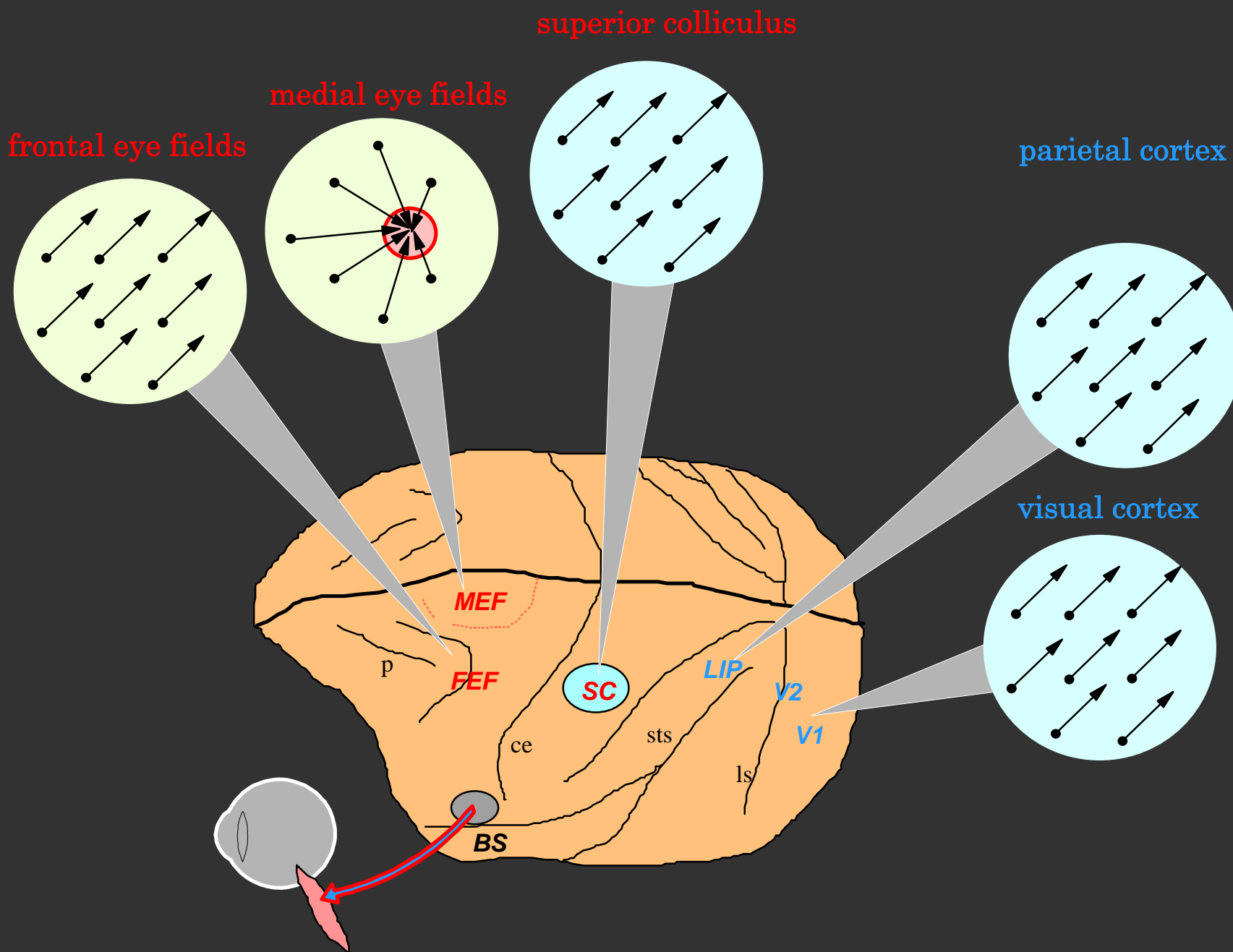
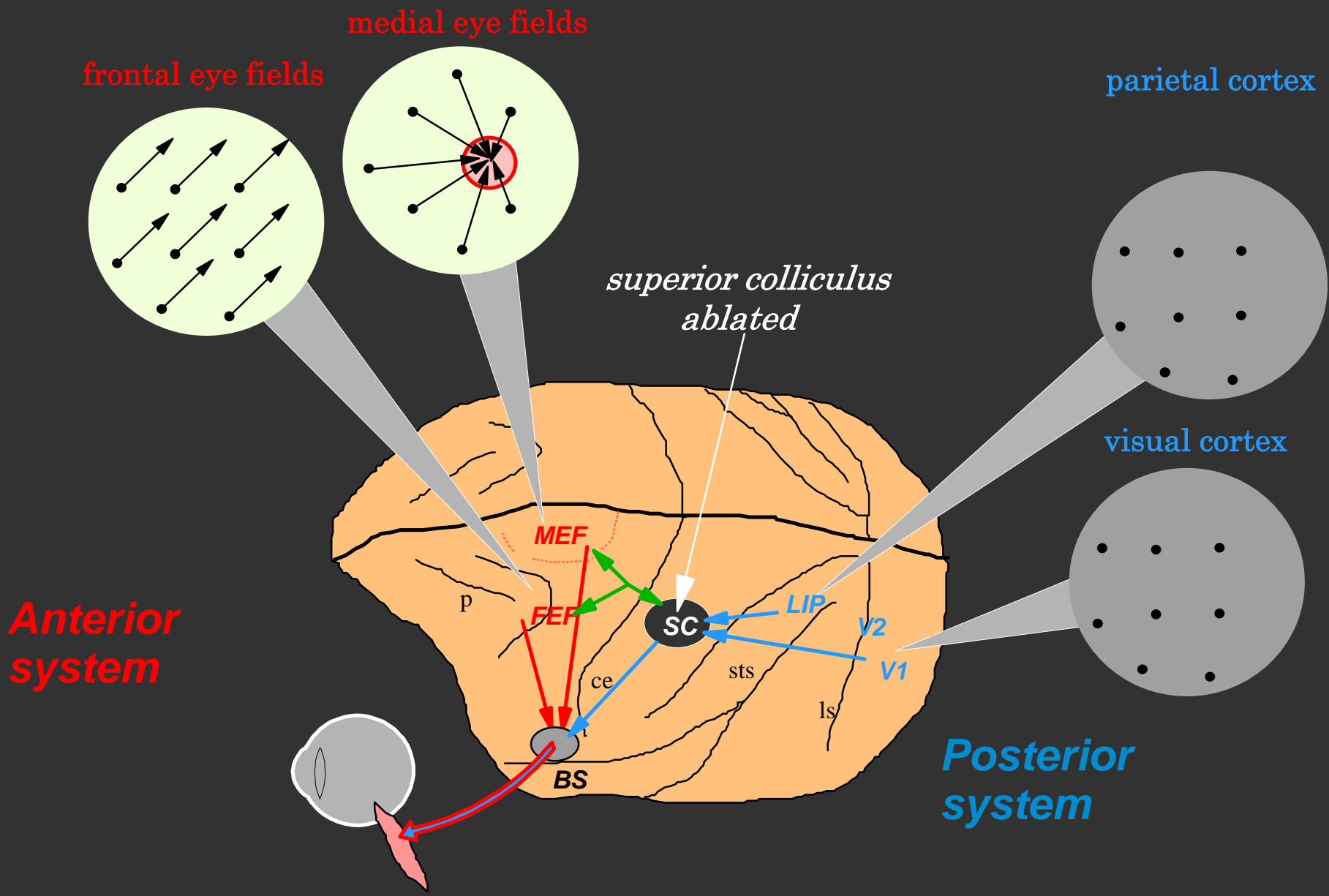


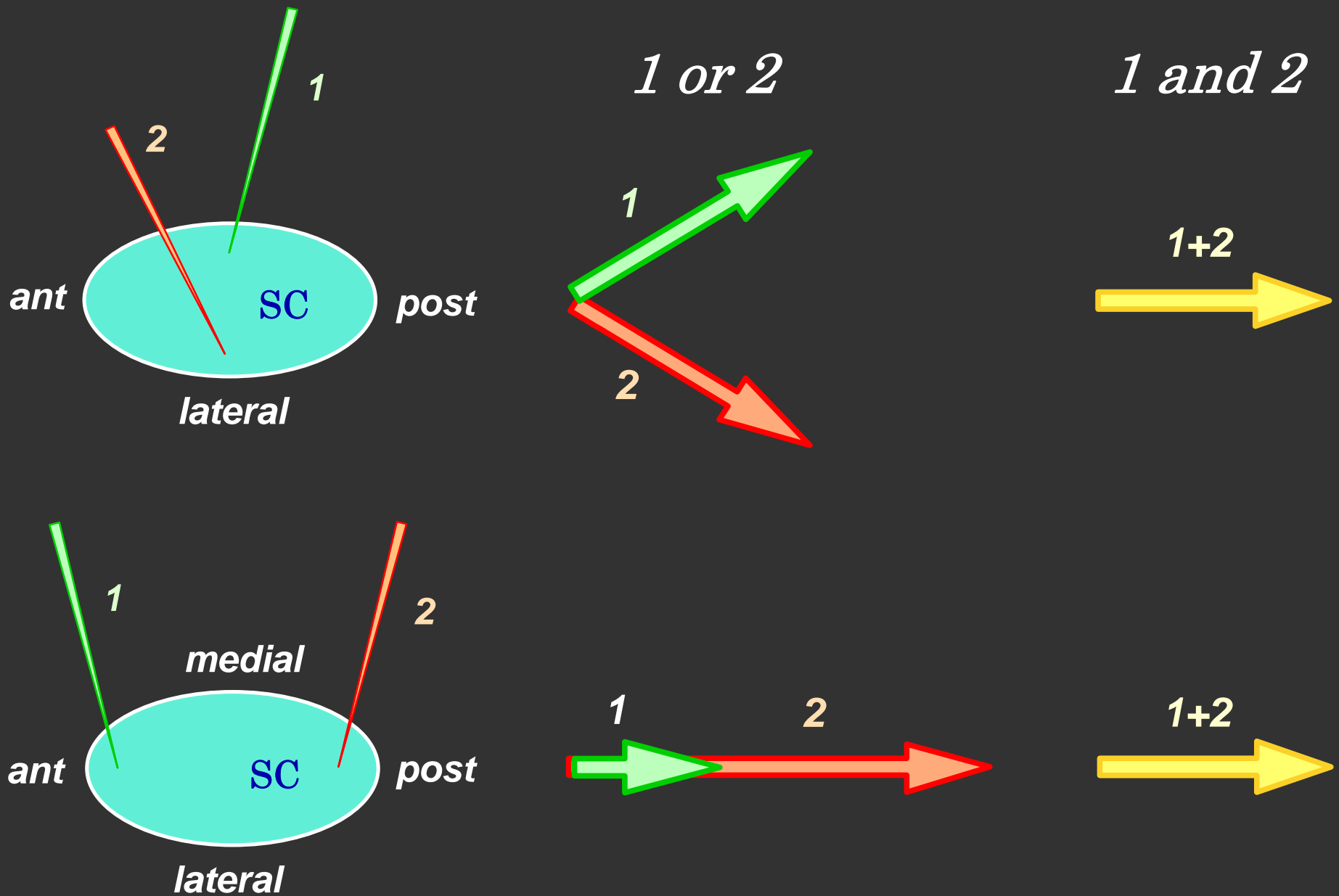
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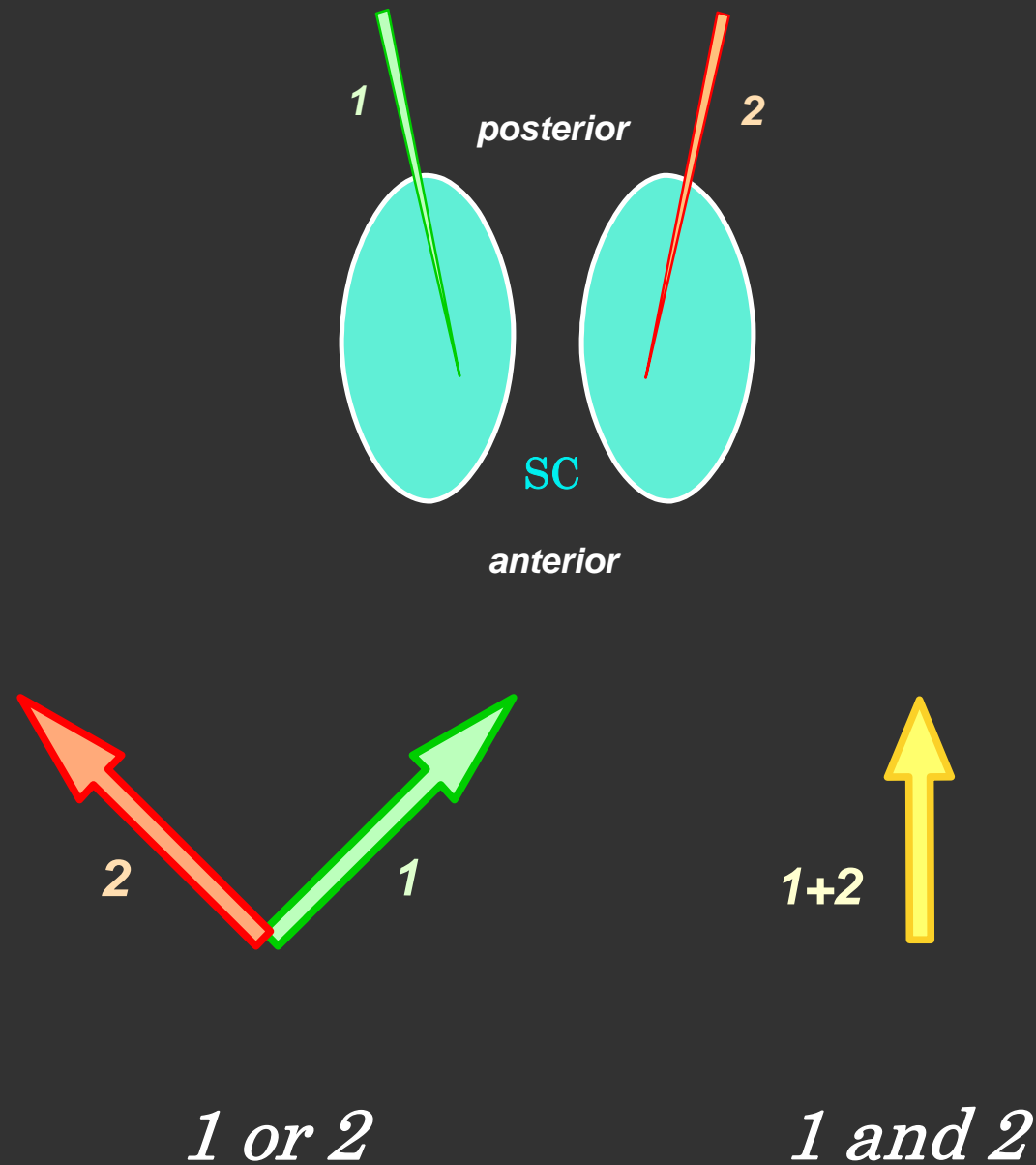


## 6. The effects of paired electrical and visual stimulation

# The effect of paired electrical stimulation in the superior colliculus



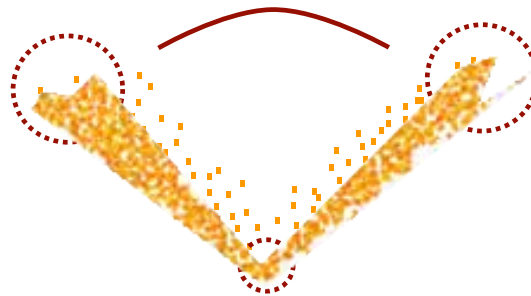
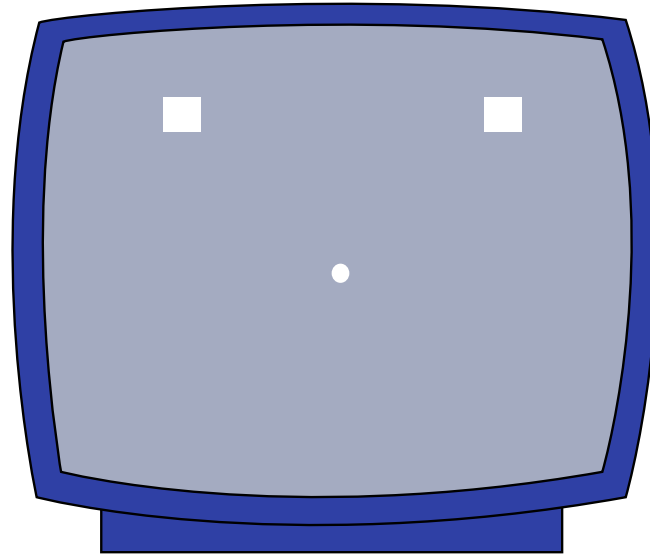
# The effect of paired electrical stimulation in the left and right colliculi





# Eye movements made to paired targets

The task

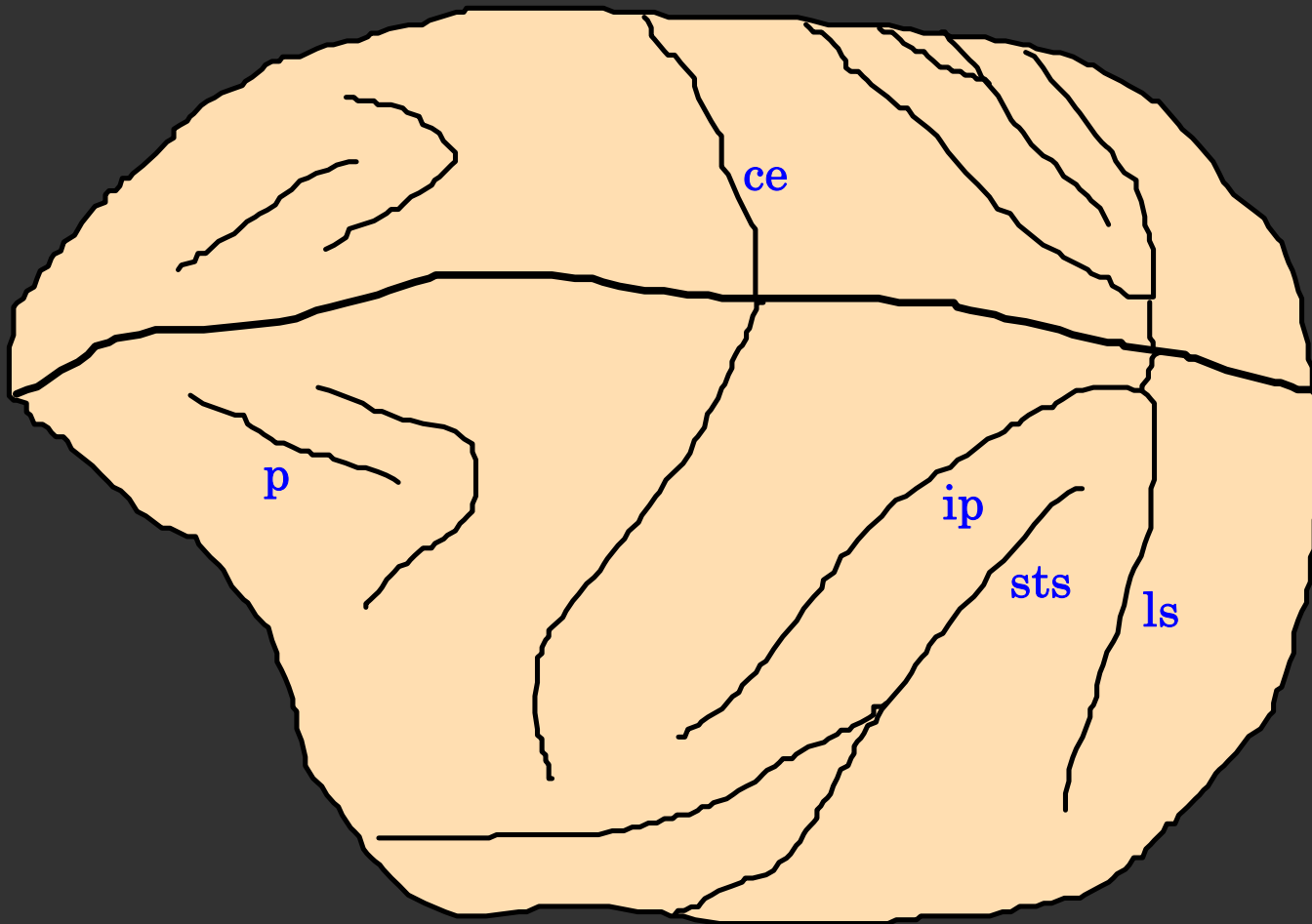


The eye movements elicited

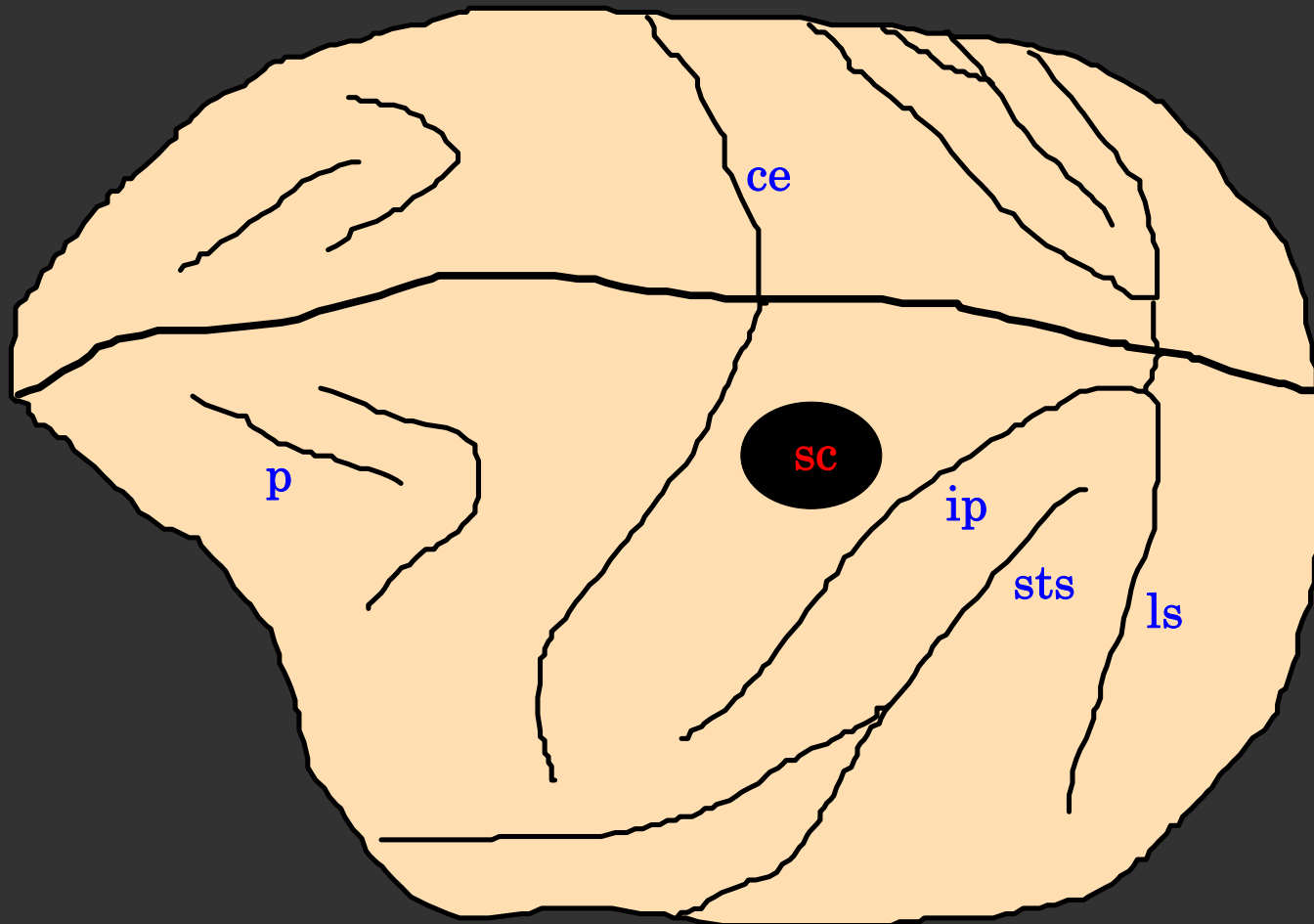
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# 7. The effect of lesions on eye-movement control

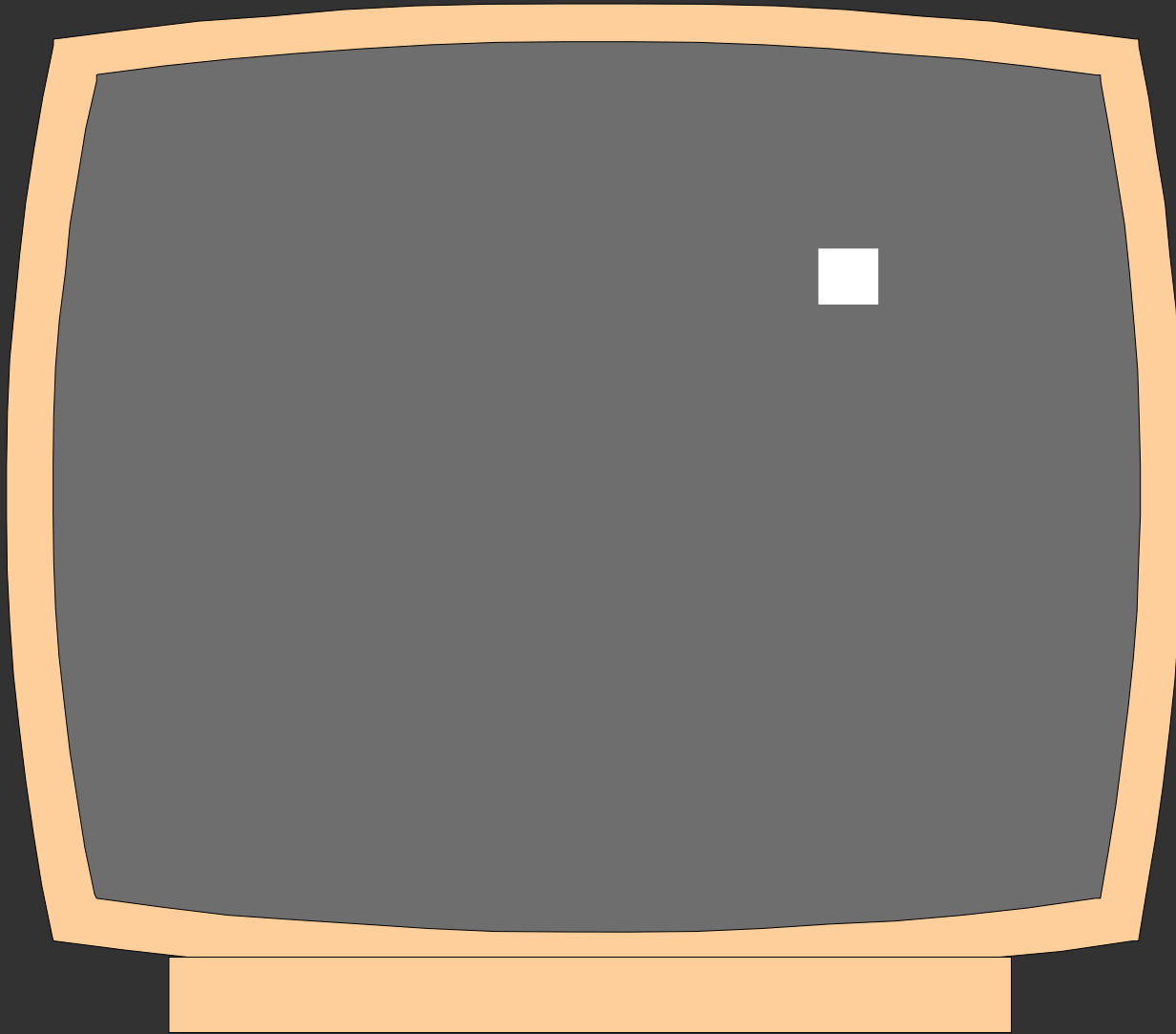
# Informal testing, intact monkey



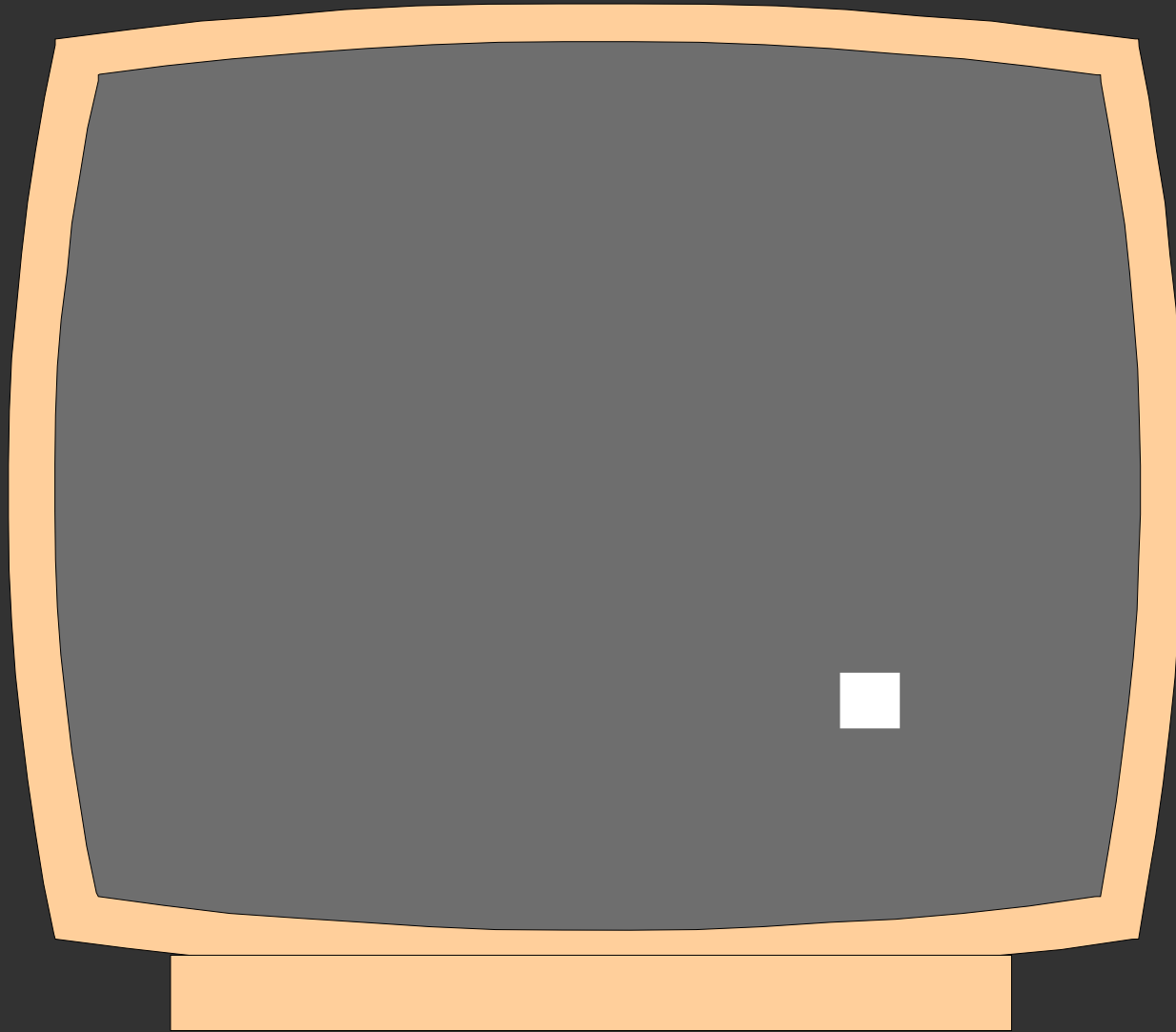
# Informal testing after superior colliculus ablation



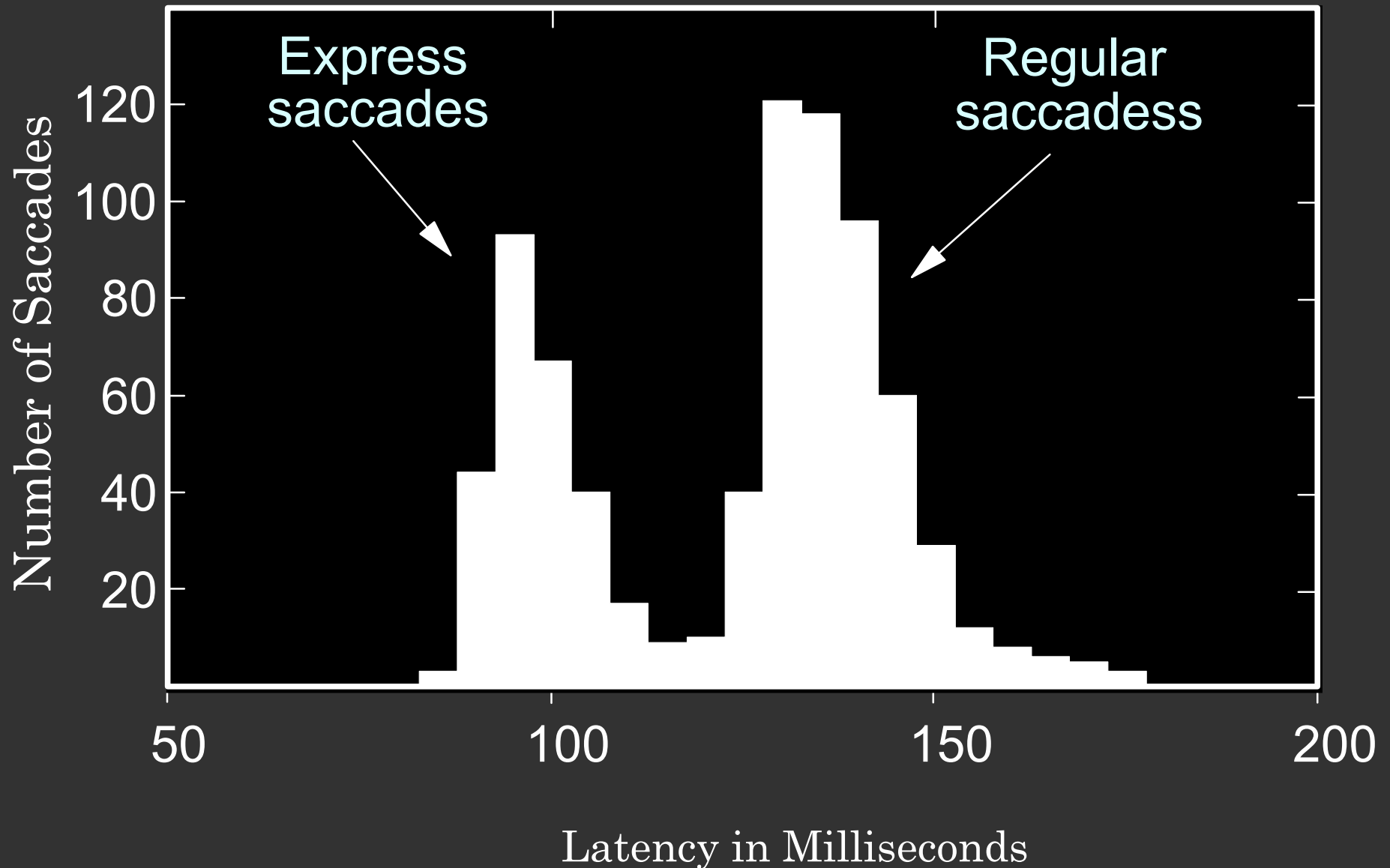
# Single target task



# Single target task



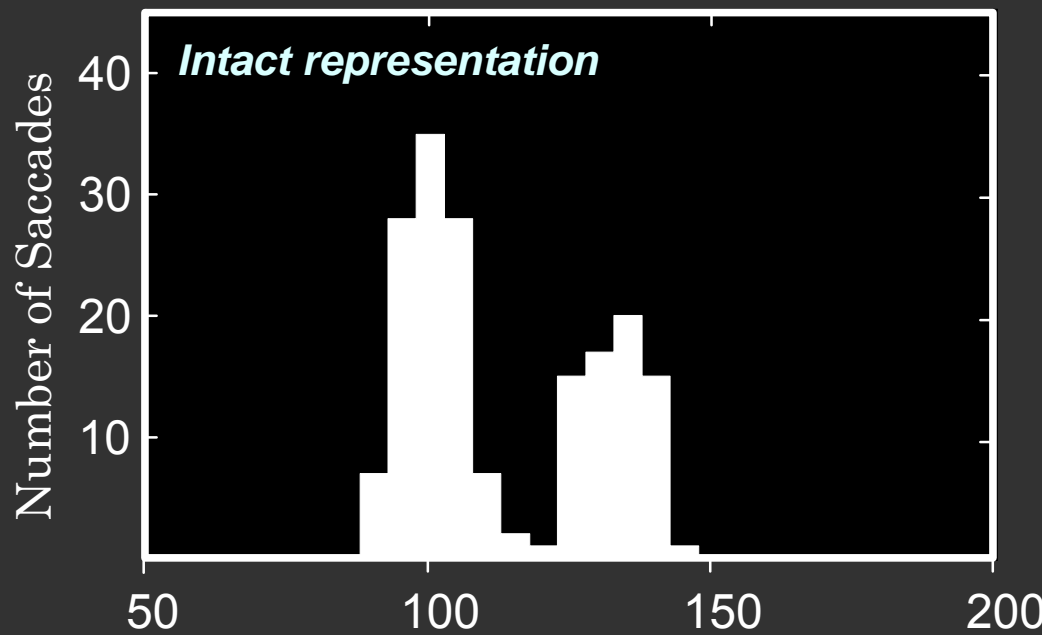
# Distribution of saccadic latencies in intact monkey



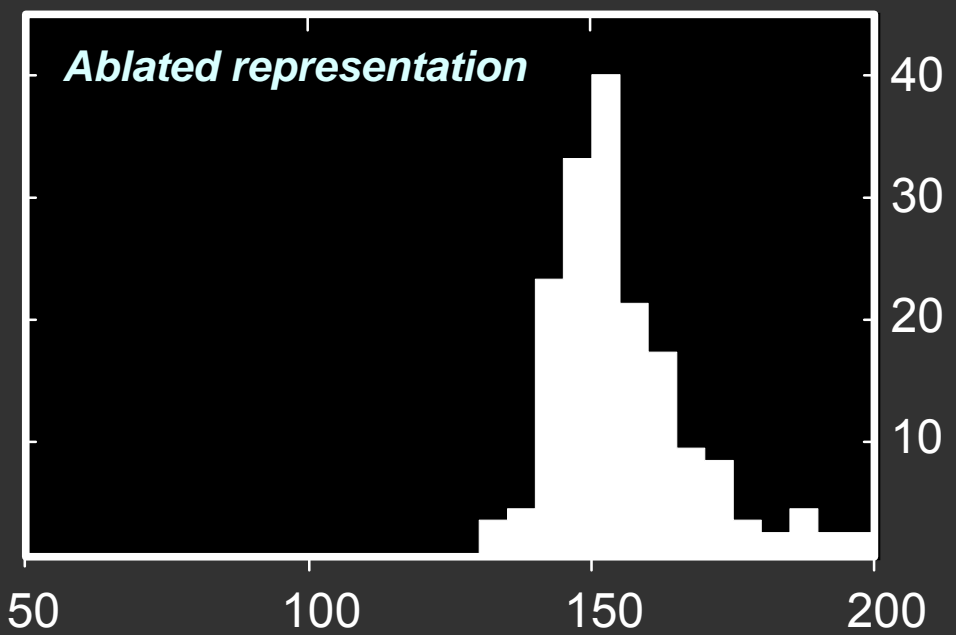
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# Distribution of saccadic latencies ten weeks after left superior colliculus lesion

## Leftward saccades



## Rightward saccades

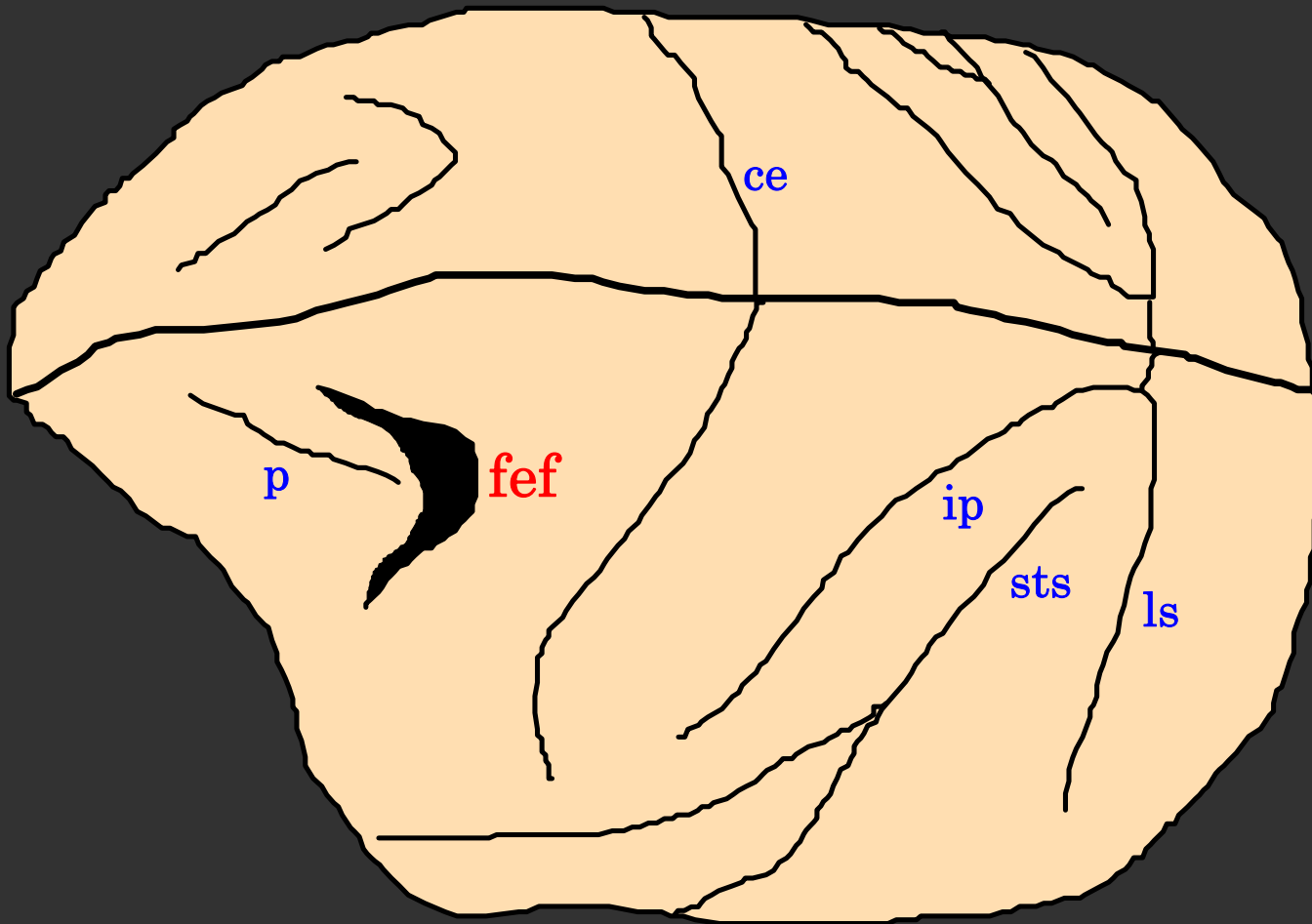


Latency in Milliseconds

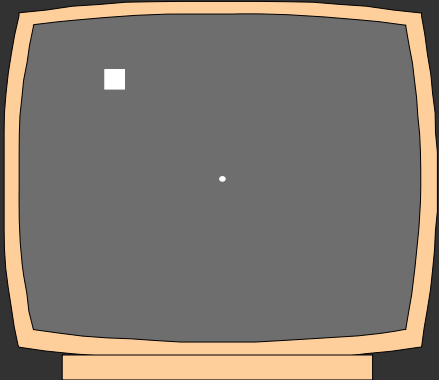
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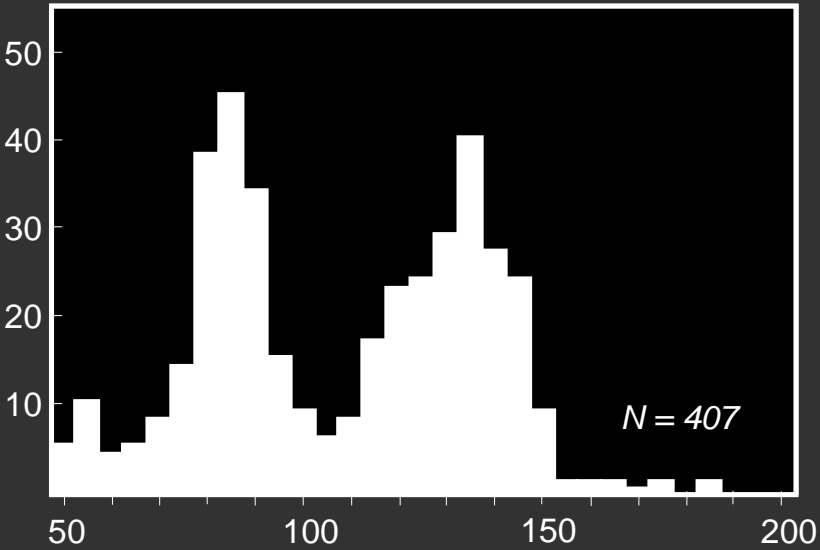
# Informal testing after frontal eye field ablation



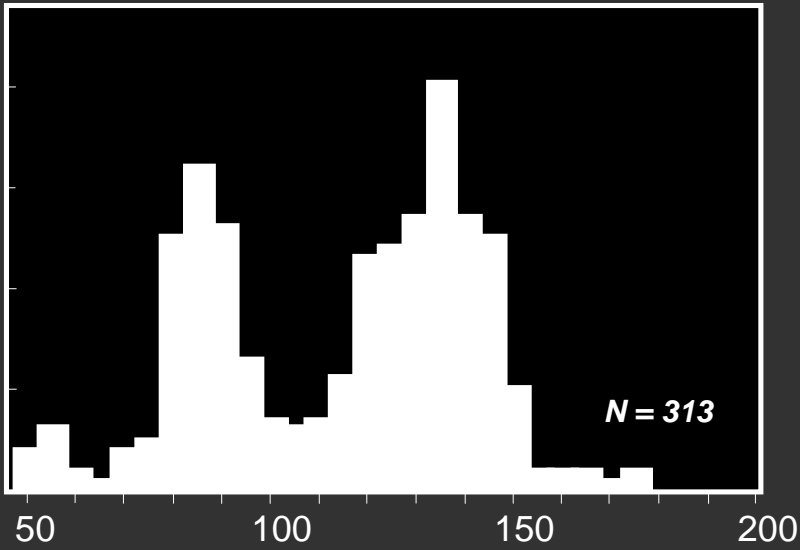
# Distribution of saccadic latencies after FEF and MEF lesions



FEF Lesion



Paired MEF & FEF Lesion



Time in milliseconds

# Sequential task

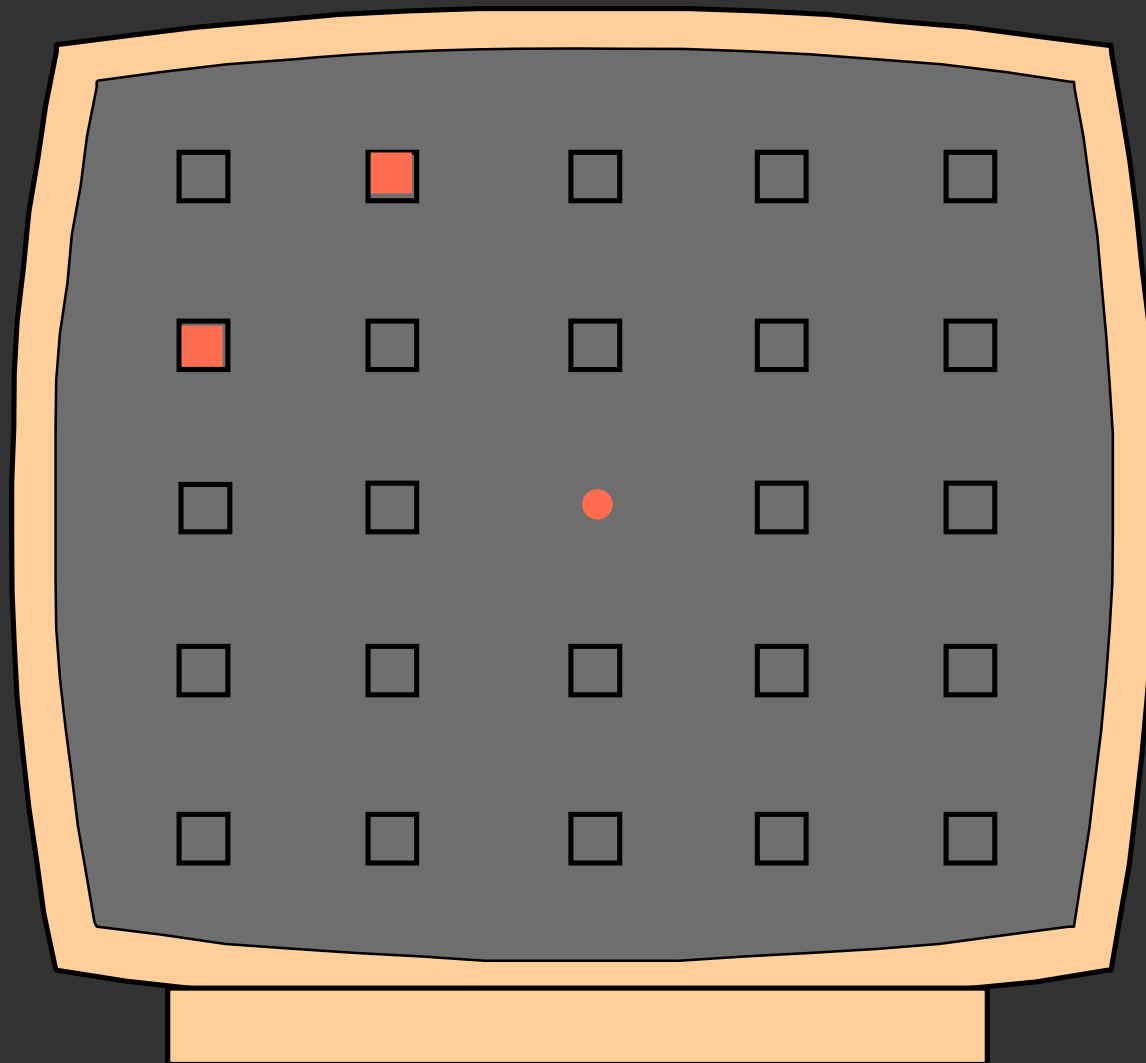


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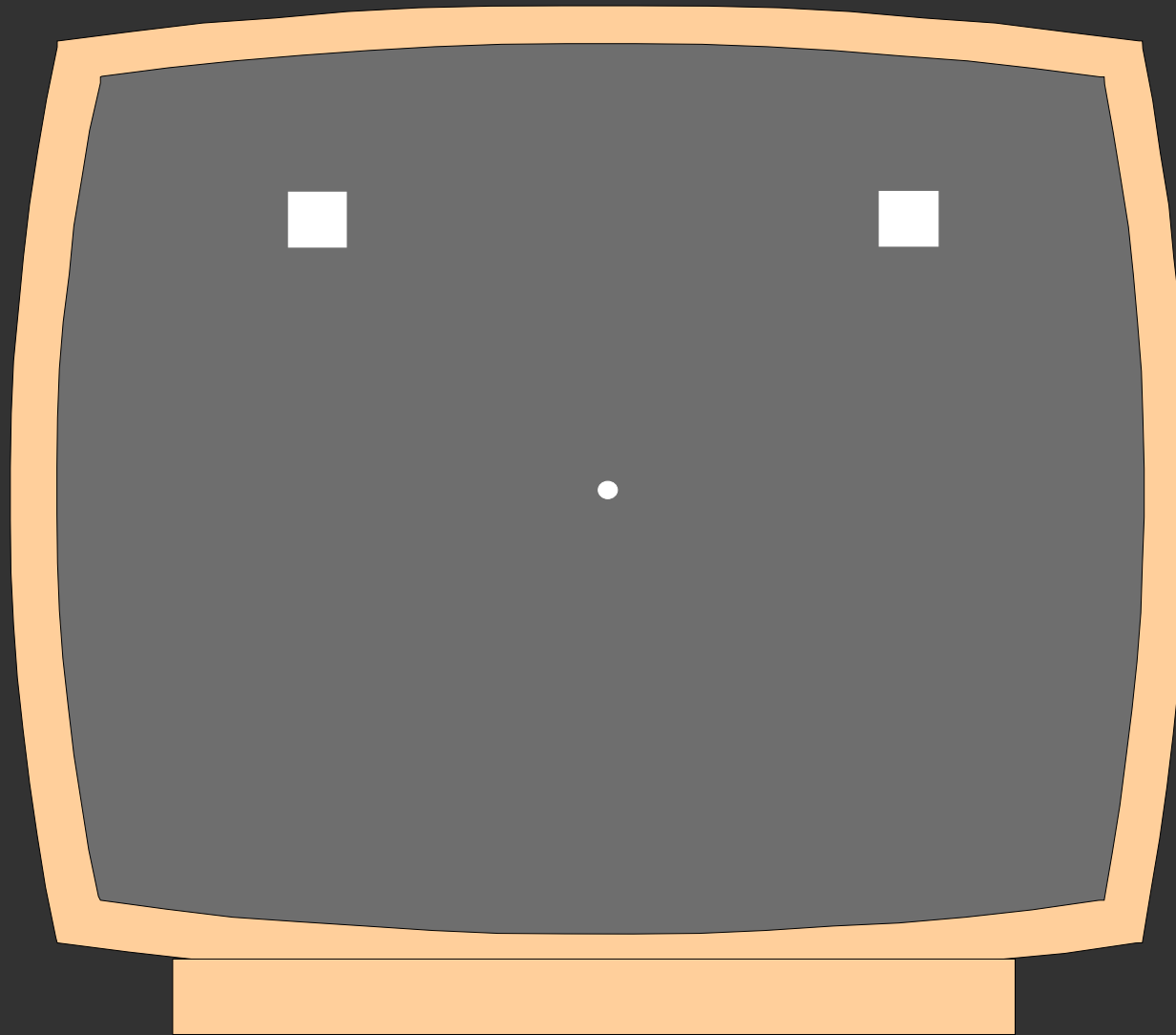
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# The effect of FEF and MEF lesions on executing sequential saccades

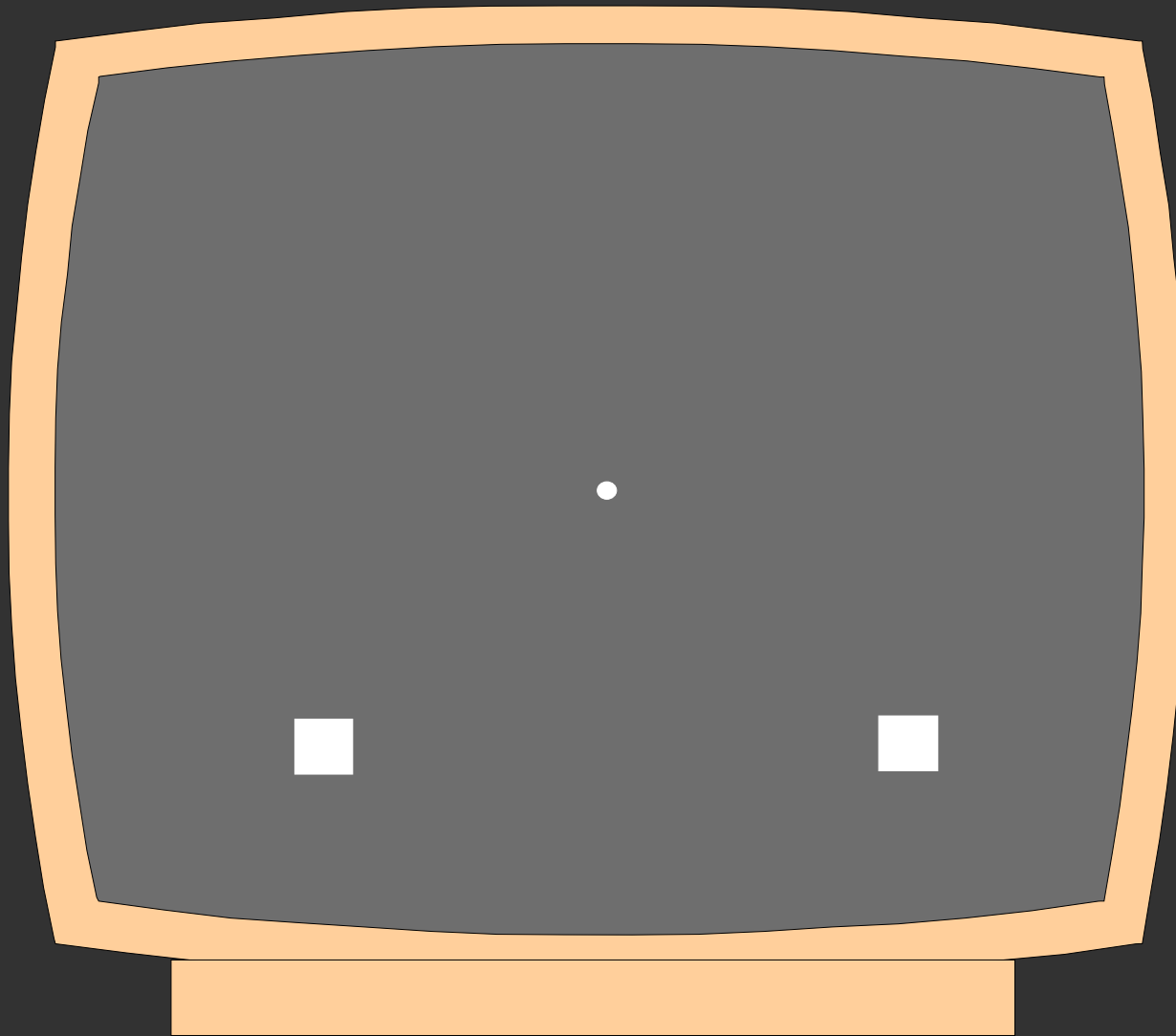
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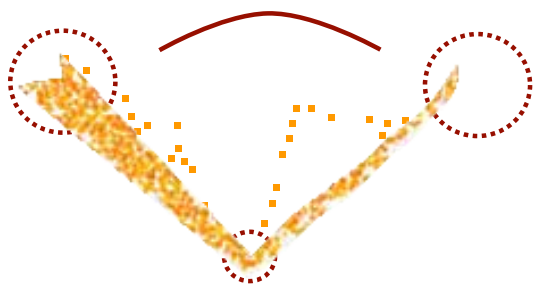
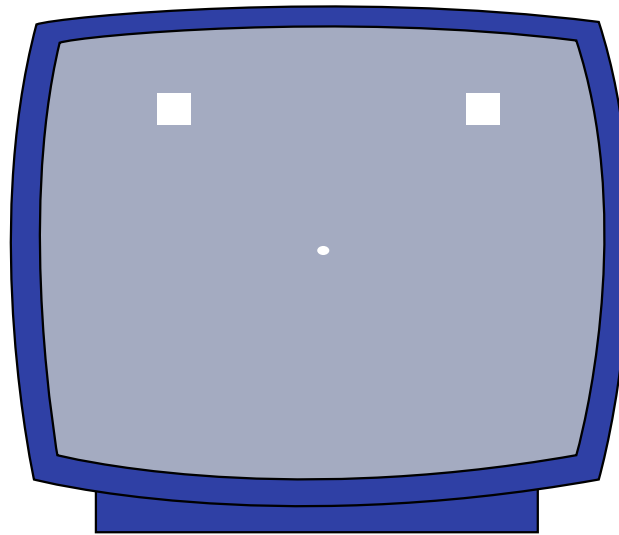
# Paired target task, identical targets



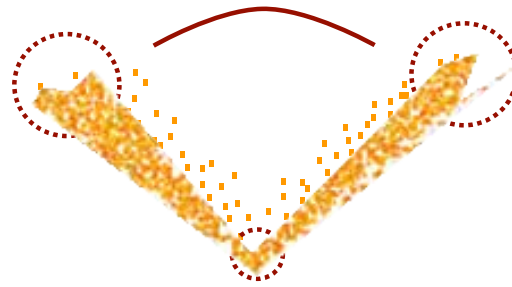
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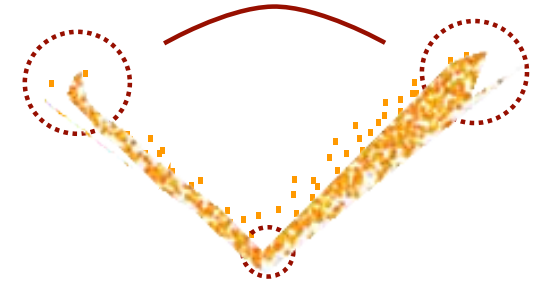
Eye movements made to paired targets presented with varied asynchronies



Left 34ms before right



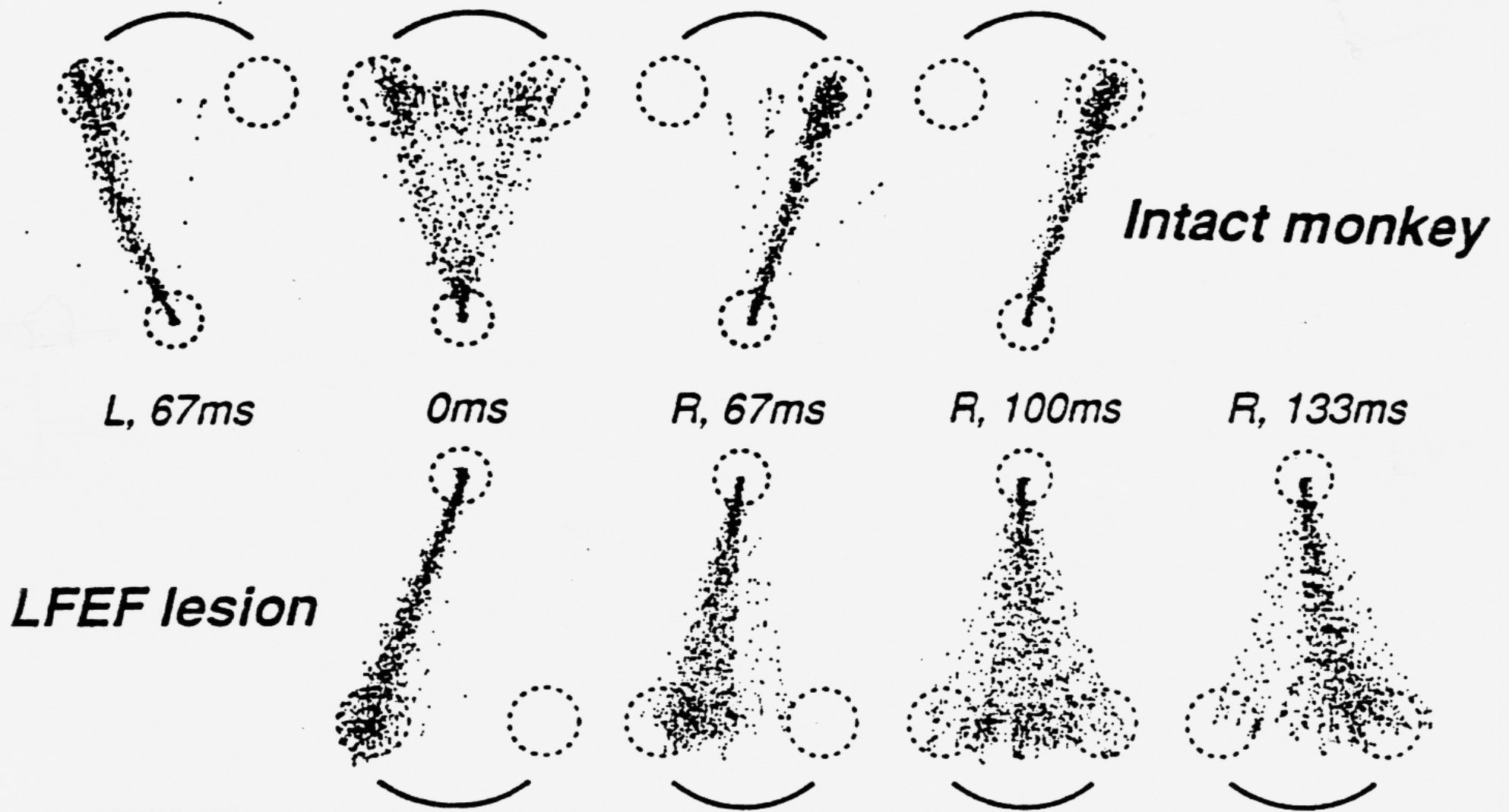
Simultaneous



Right 34ms before left

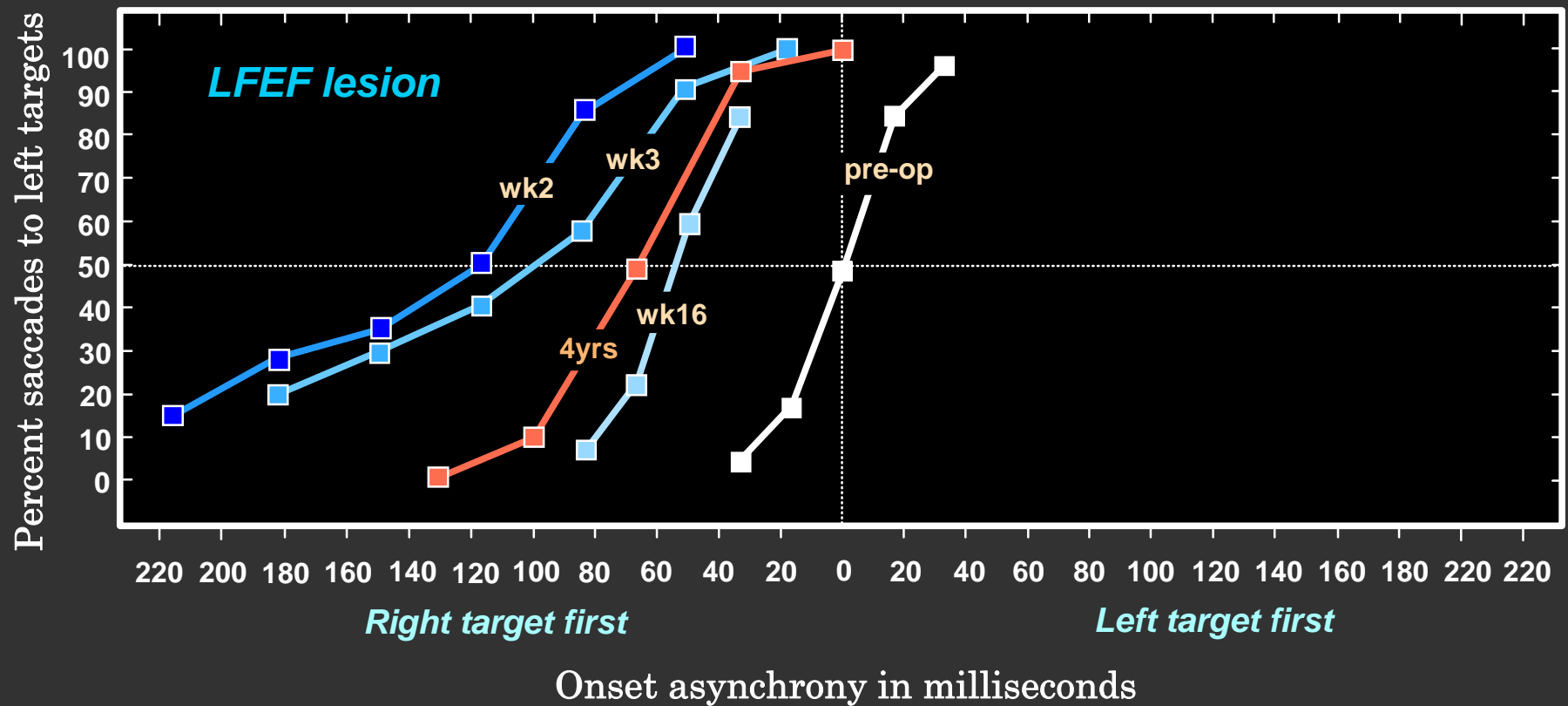
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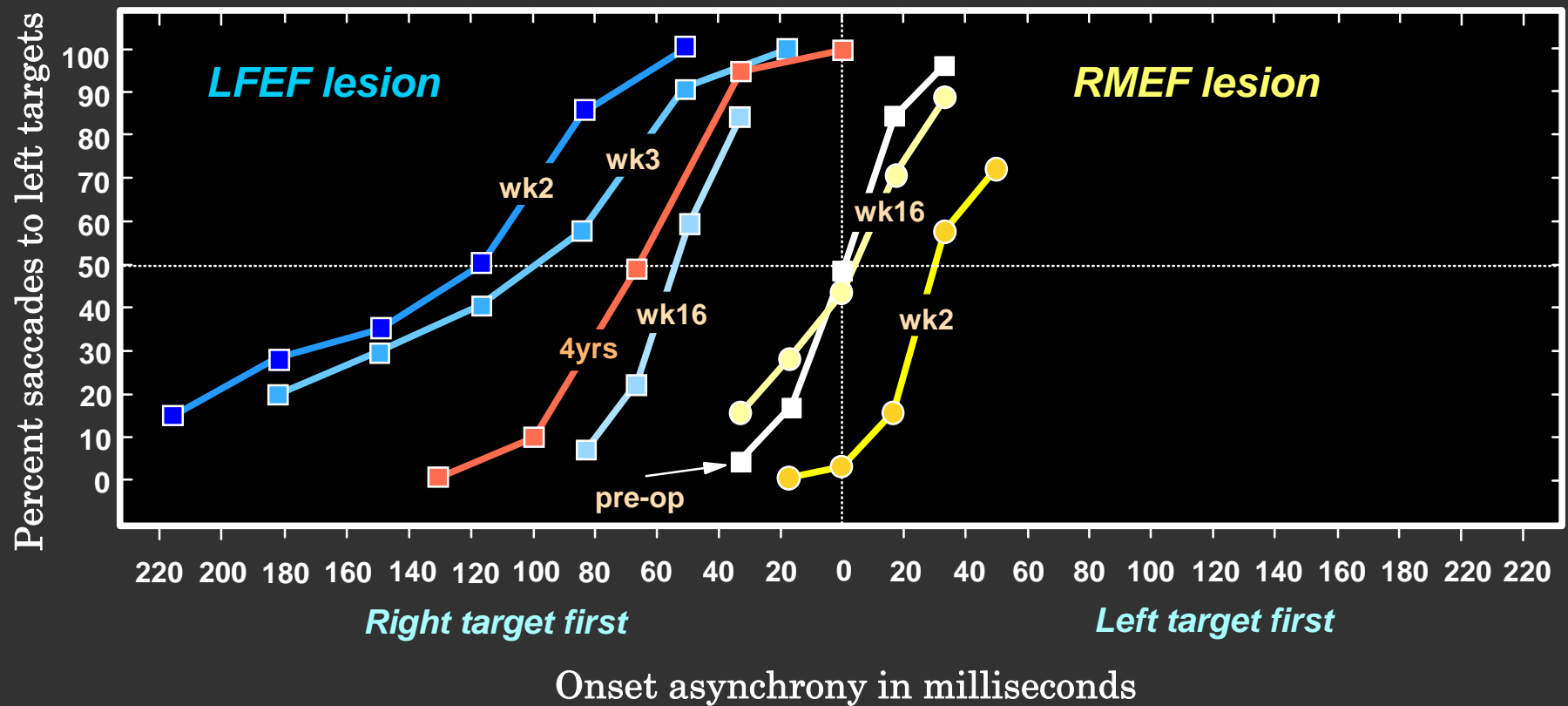
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## Saccades made to identical paired targets presented with varied asynchronies



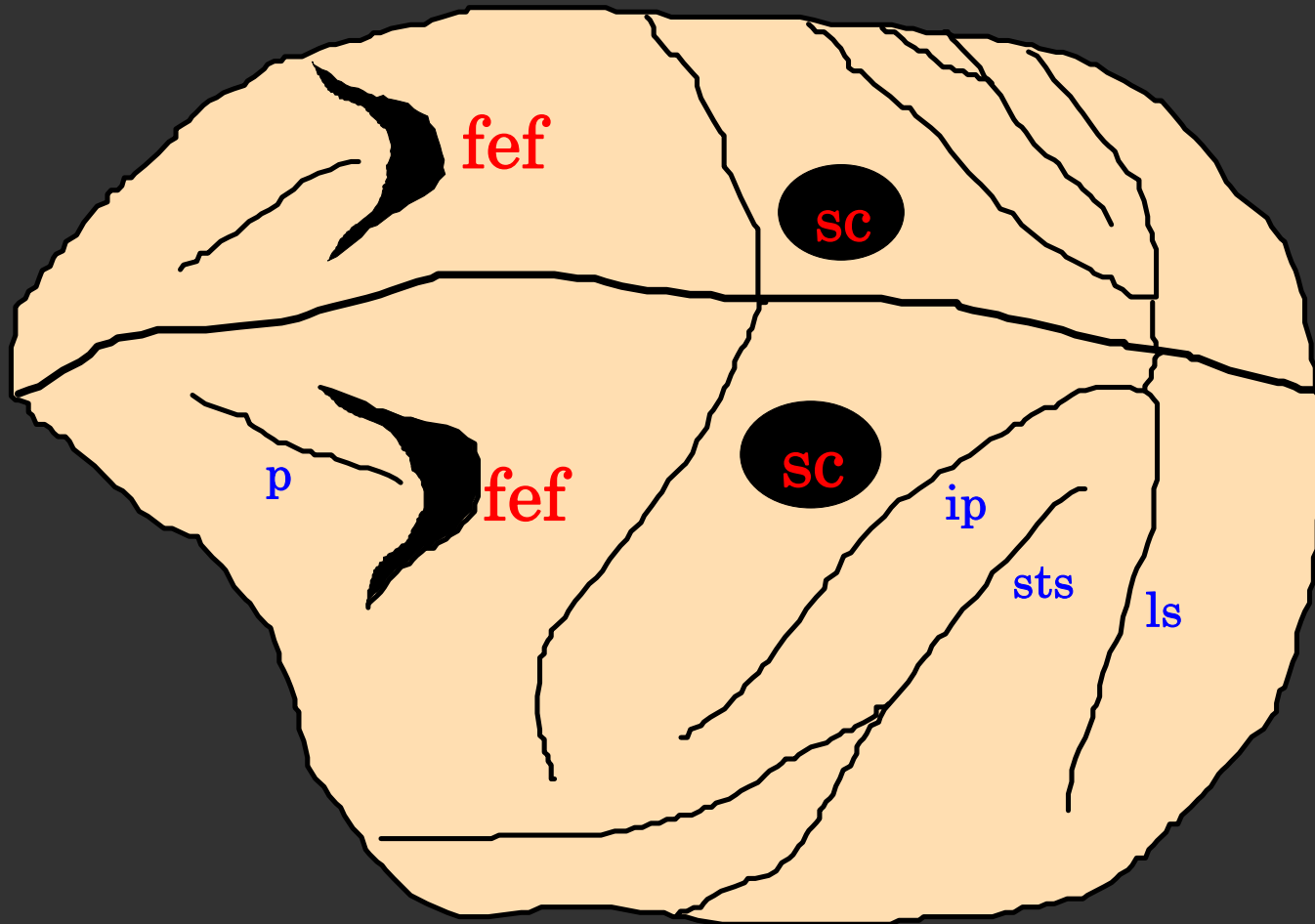
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# Informal testing after bilateral superior colliculus and frontal eye field ablation



Further examination of the effects of  
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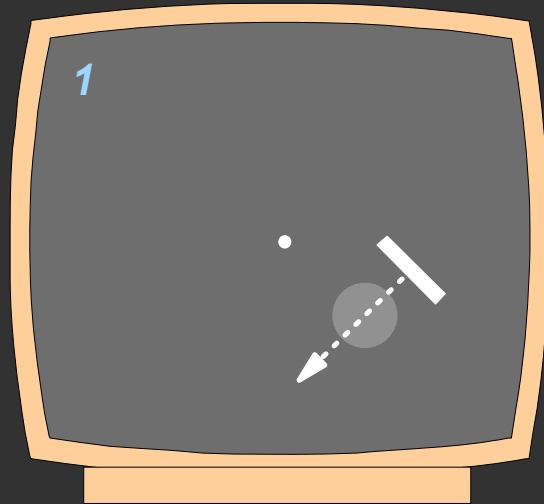
# The effects of pairing electrical stimulation with visual stimulation in four cortical areas

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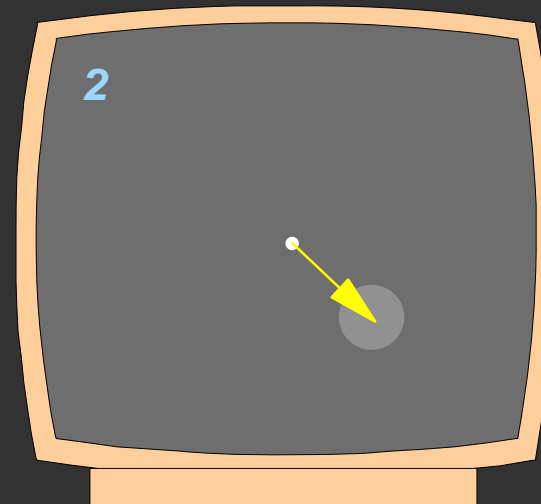
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# Experimental procedure:

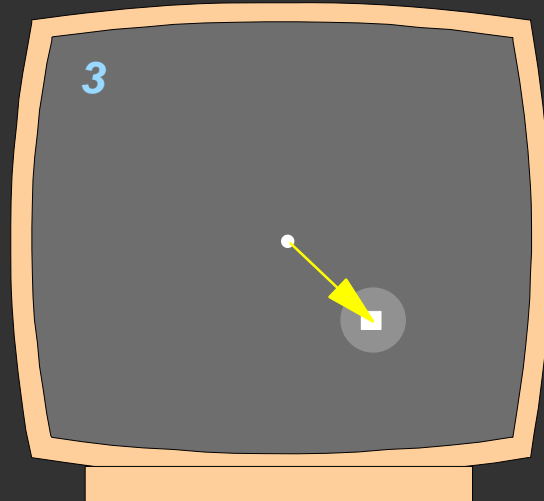
Map RF



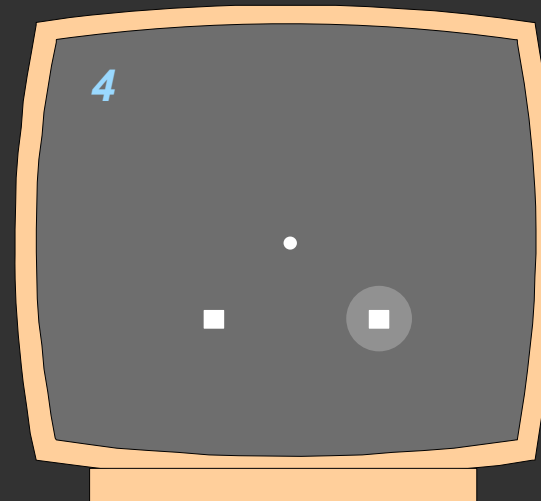
Electrically stimulate



Present target in RF

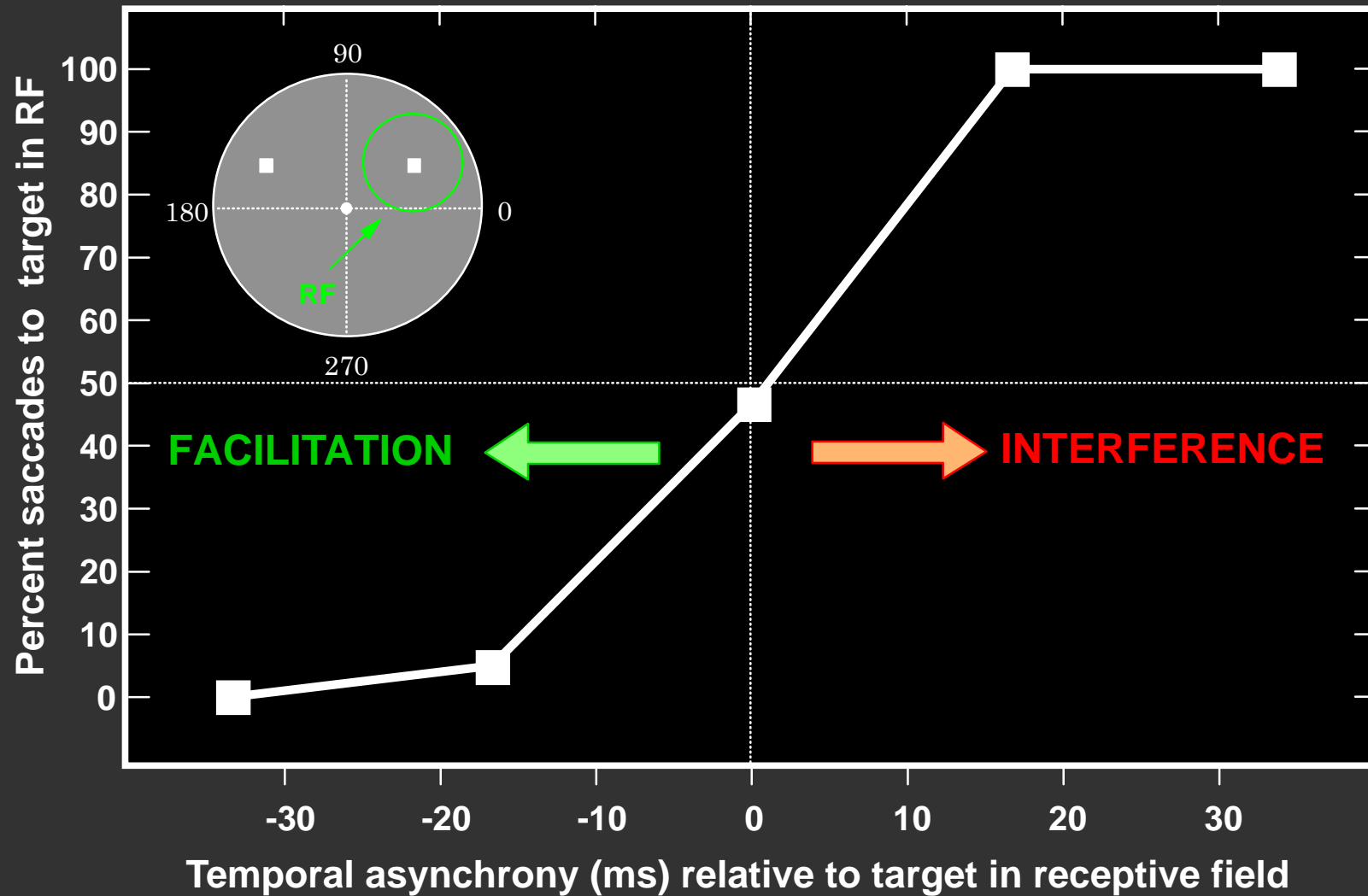


Stimulate with paired targets



*Stimulation initiated 30ms after target appearance for 80ms at 200H*

# Percent of time target in RF is chosen, no stimulation

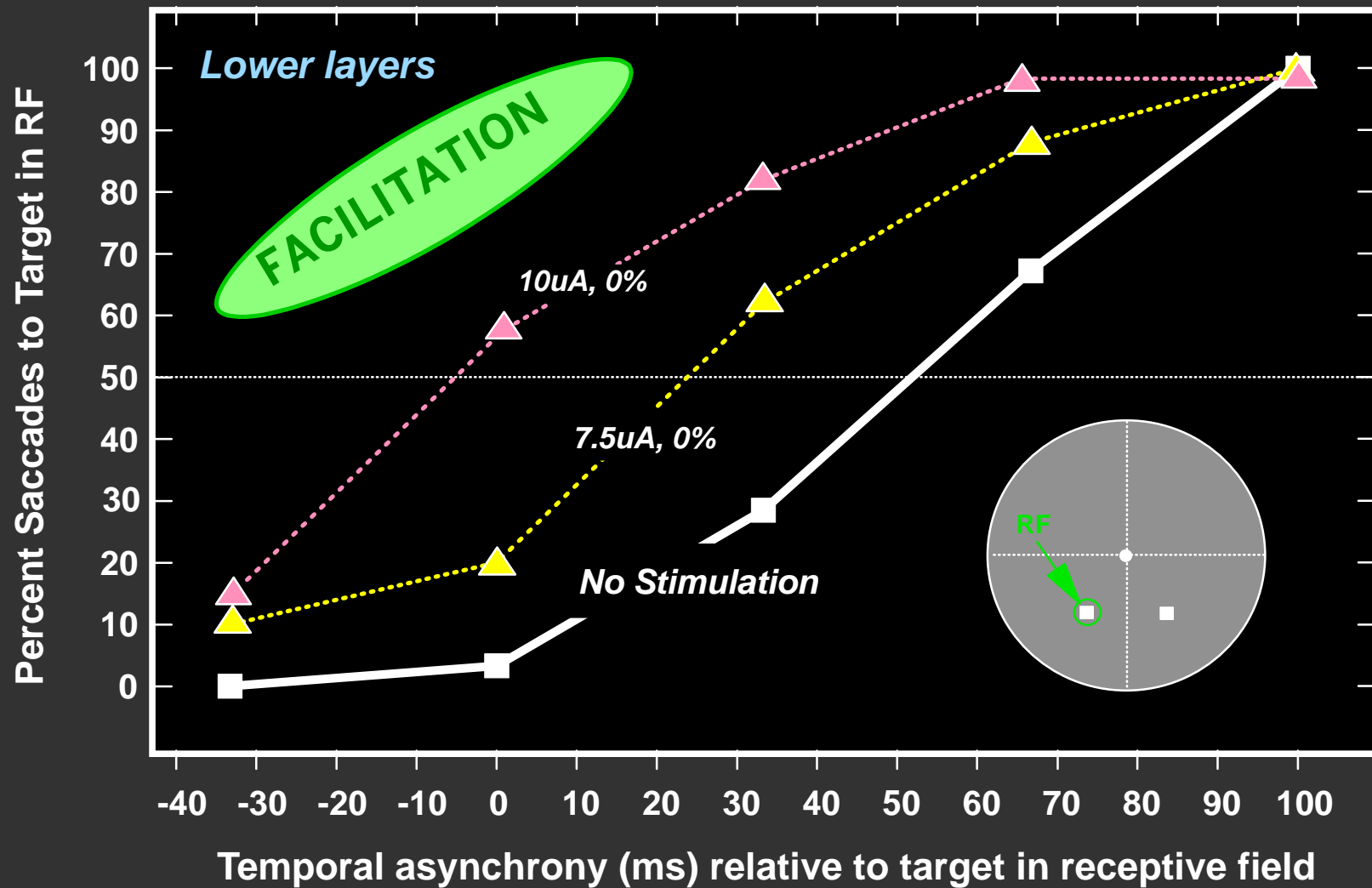


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# Stimulation added on selected trials

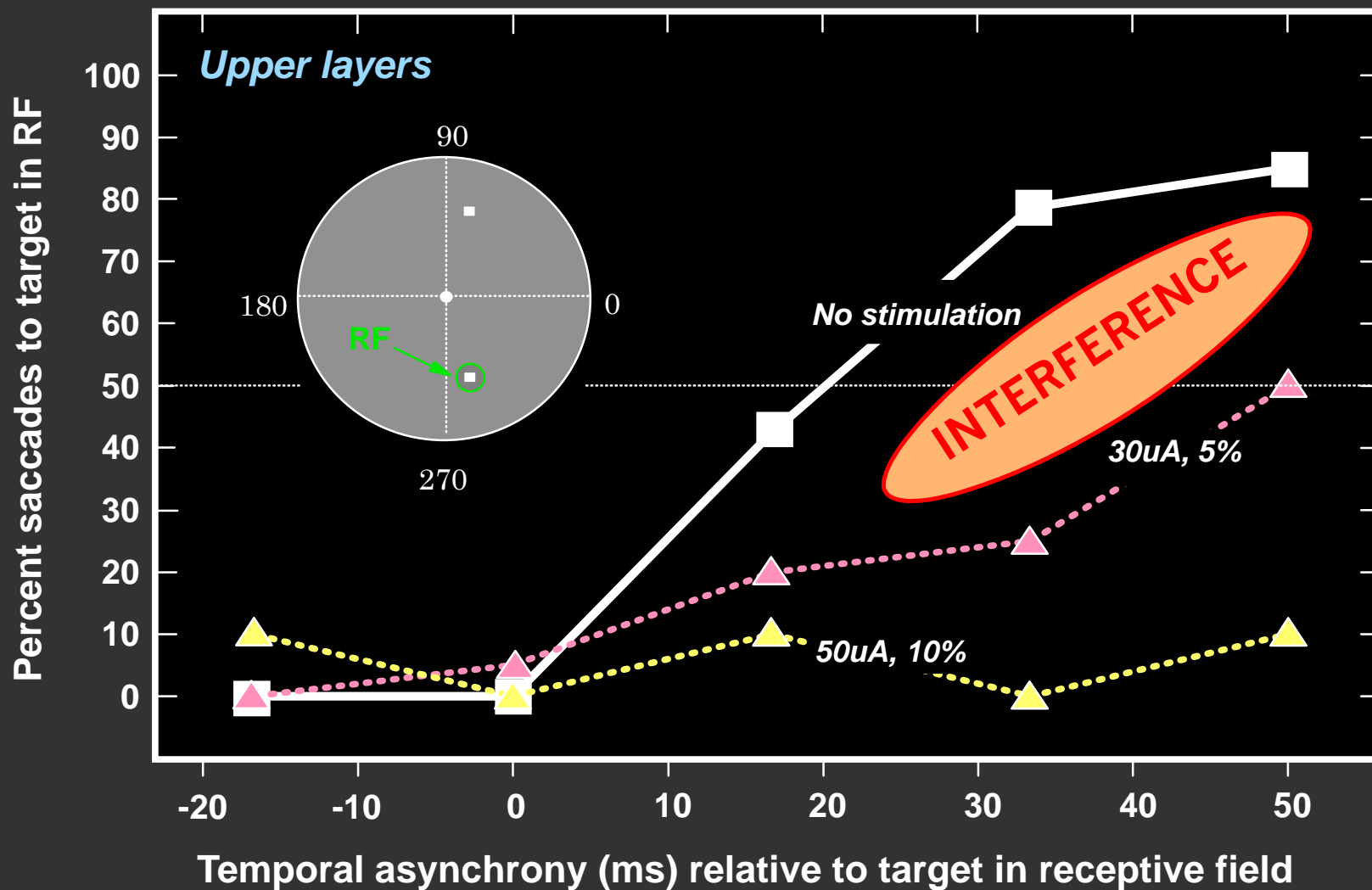
## V1



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# Stimulation added on selected trials

## V1



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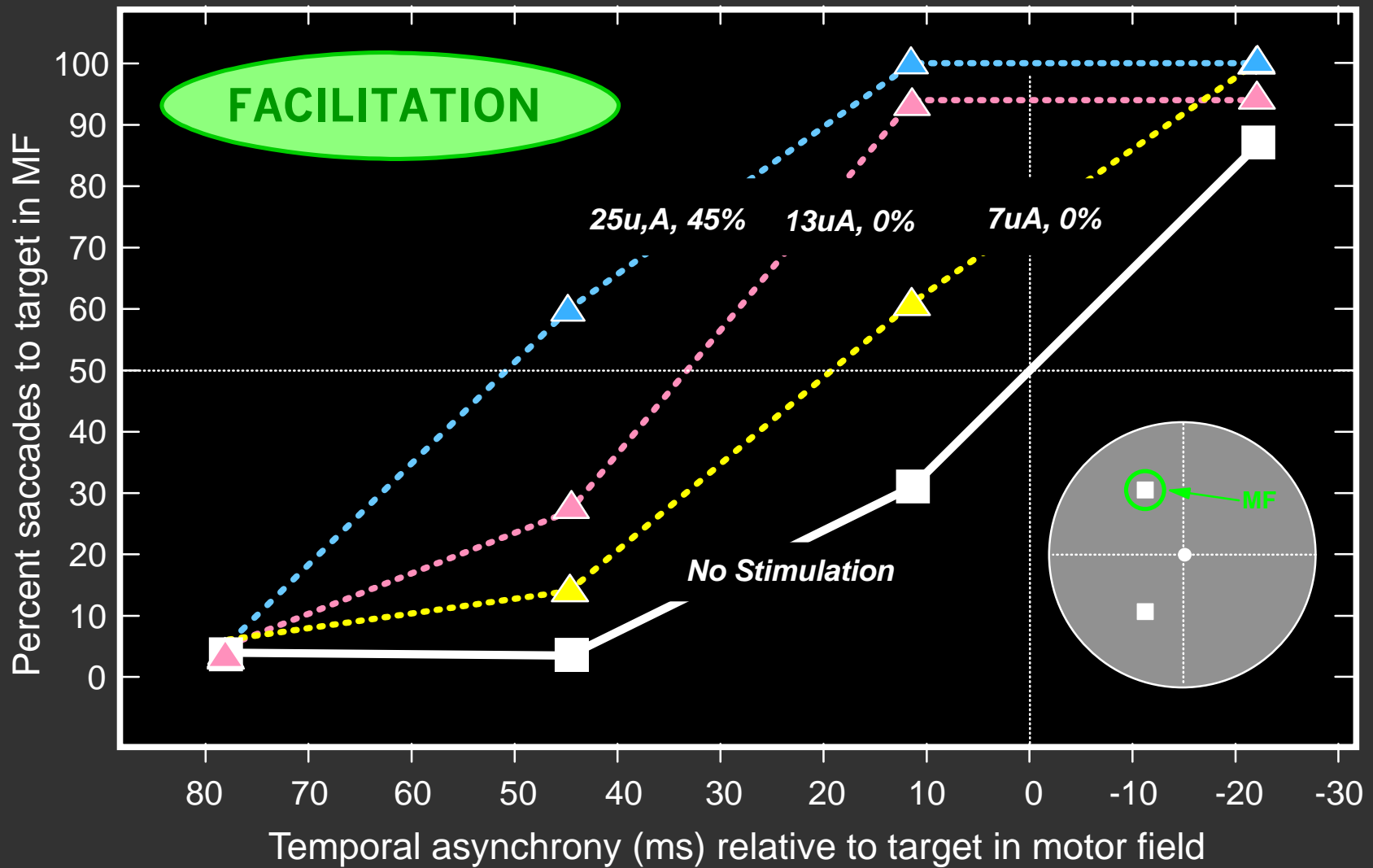
## Saccadic latencies in LIP with increasing current levels

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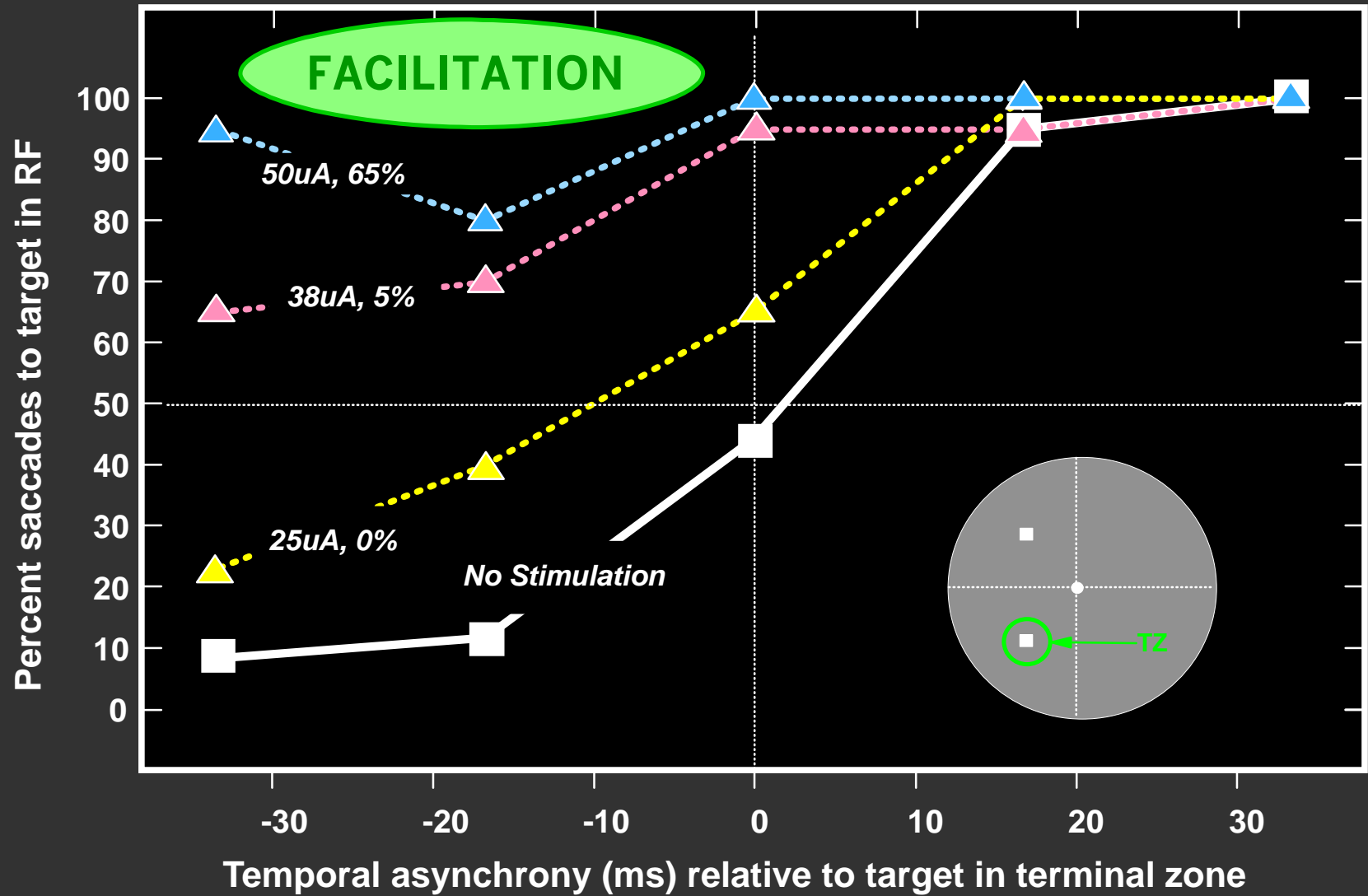
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## FEF

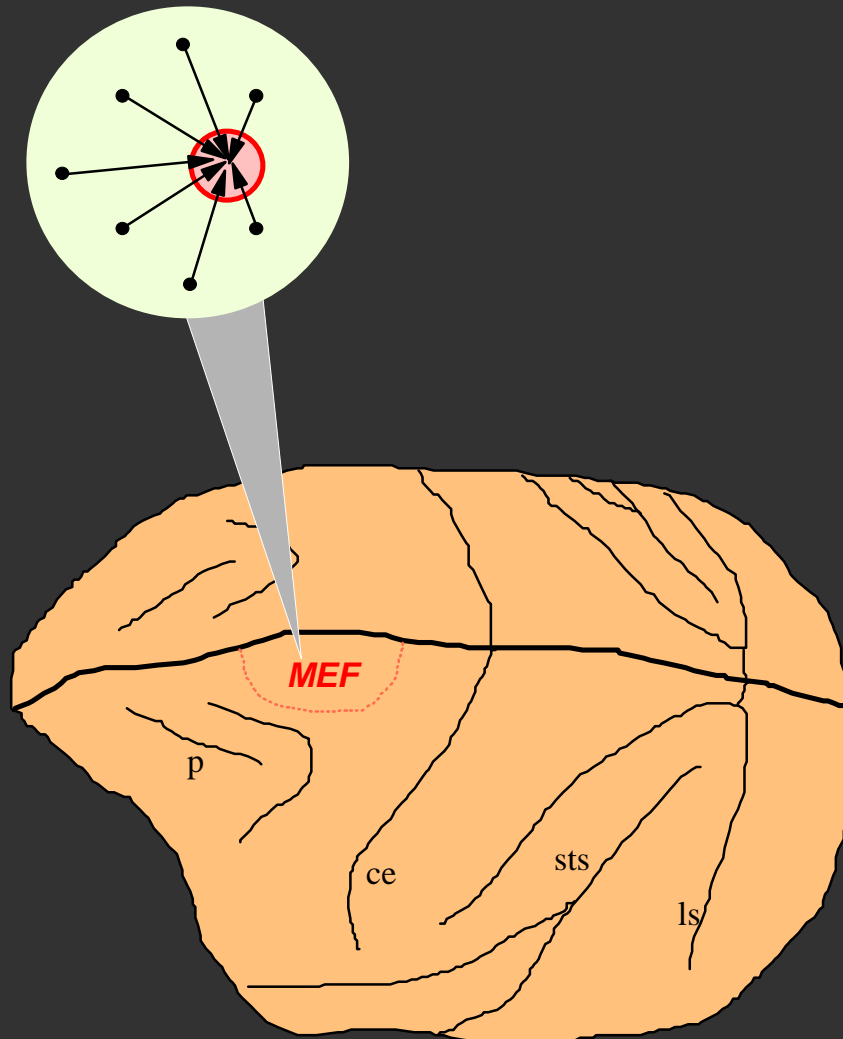


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## MEF



medial eye fields

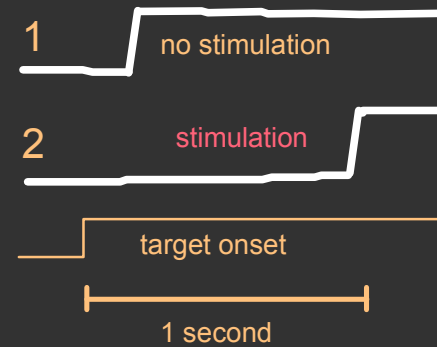
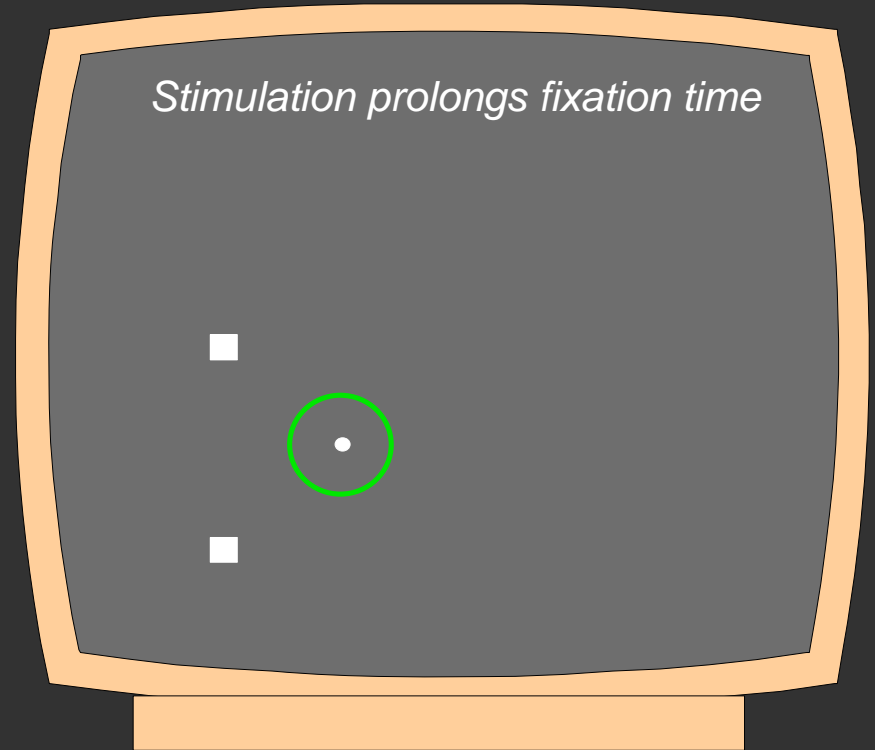
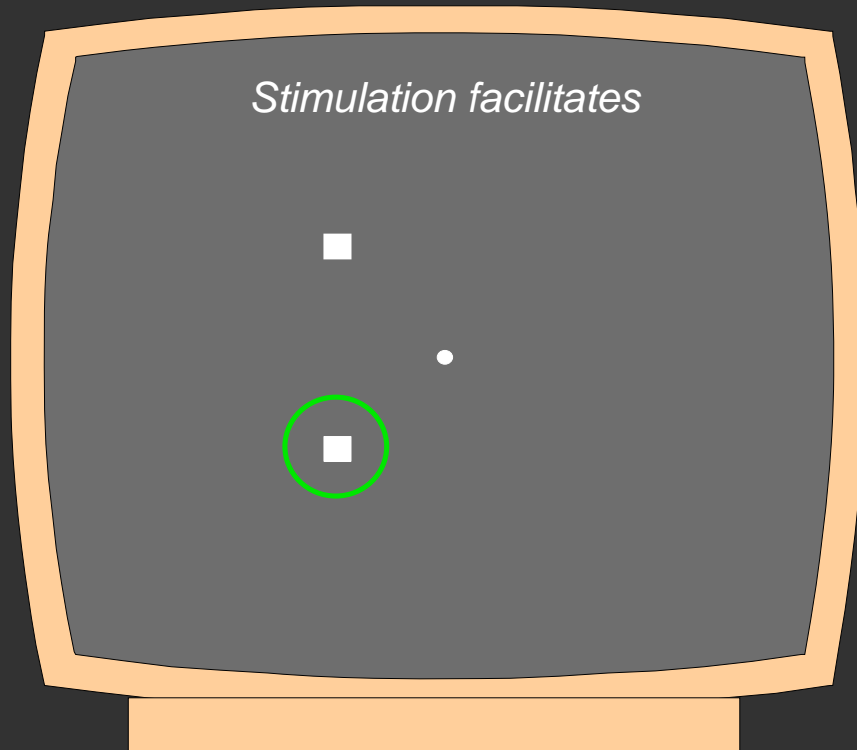




# MEF

One target in motor field

Fixation spot in motor field



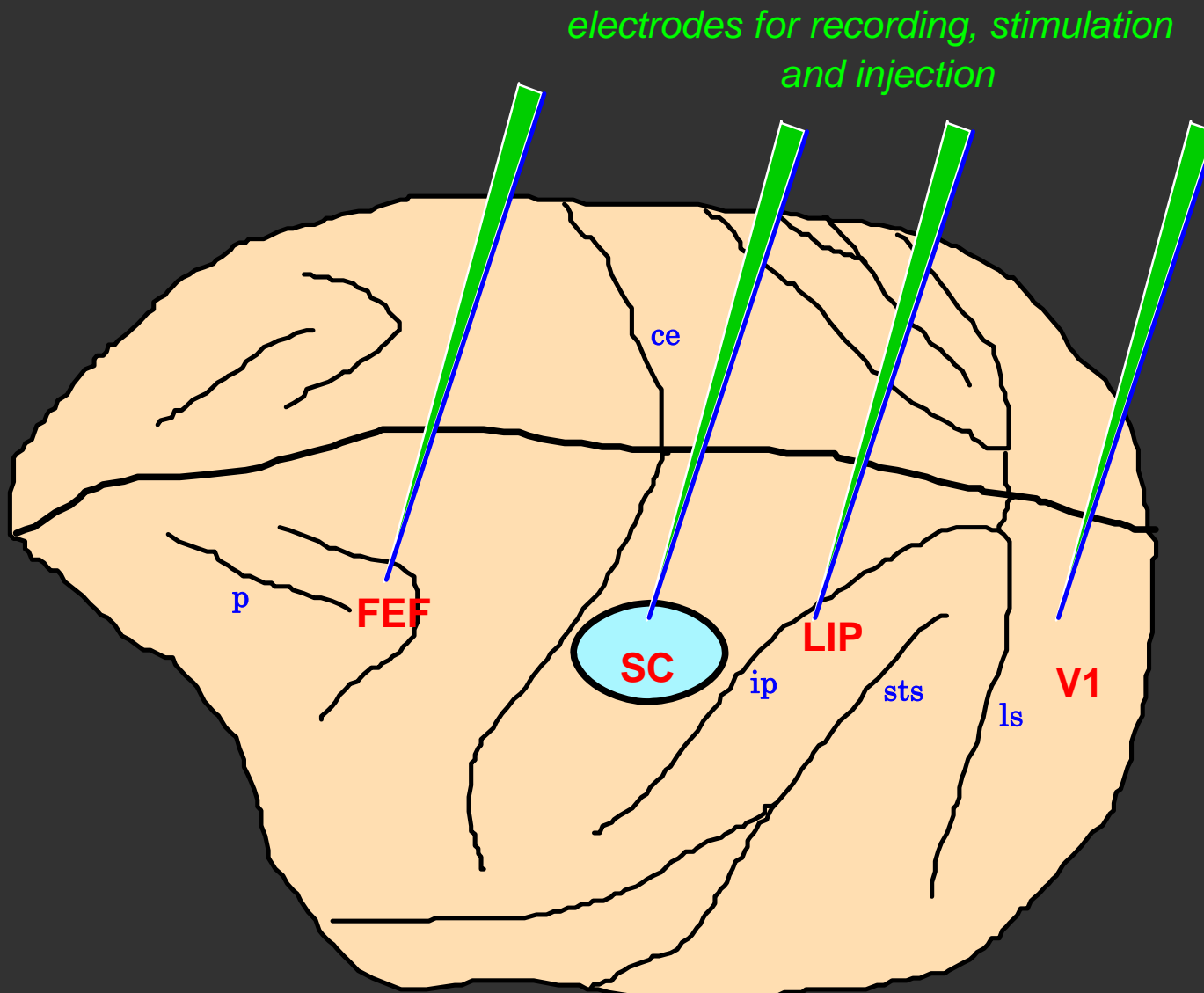
# Summary of the effects of electrical stimulation:

FACILITATION
INTERFERENCE
FIX INCREASE
NO EFFECT

<i>V1 &amp; V2, upper</i>		✓		
<i>V1 &amp; V2, lower</i>	✓			
<i>V4</i>				✓
<i>LIP</i>	✓	✓	✓	
<i>FEF</i>	✓			
<i>MEF</i>	✓		✓	

## 8. Pharmacological studies

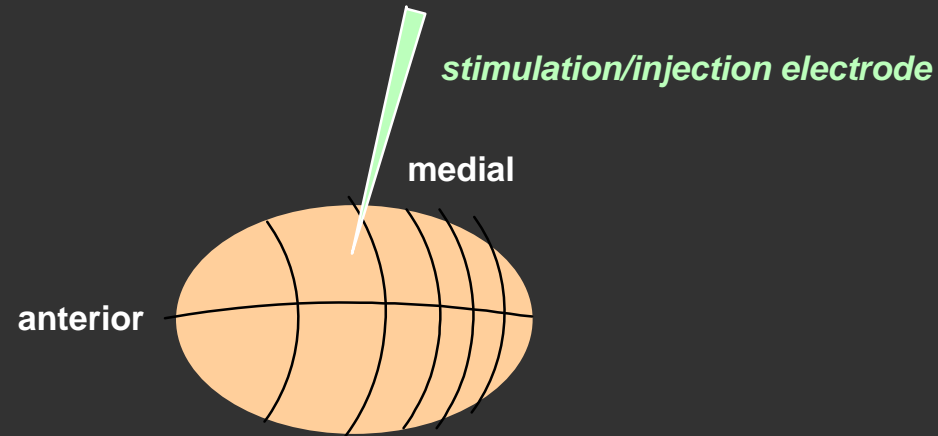
# Pharmacological manipulation



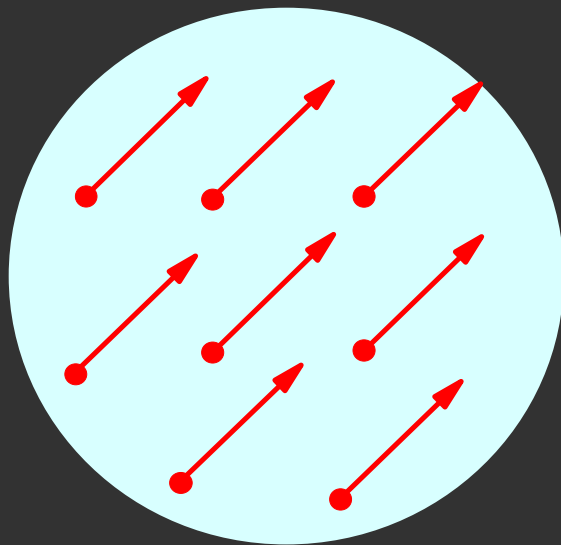
**Bicuculline:** a GABA antagonist. Therefore  
when infused inhibition is decreased

**Muscimol:** a GABA agonist. Therefore  
when infused inhibition is increased

# Effects of stimulation and injection in the superior colliculus

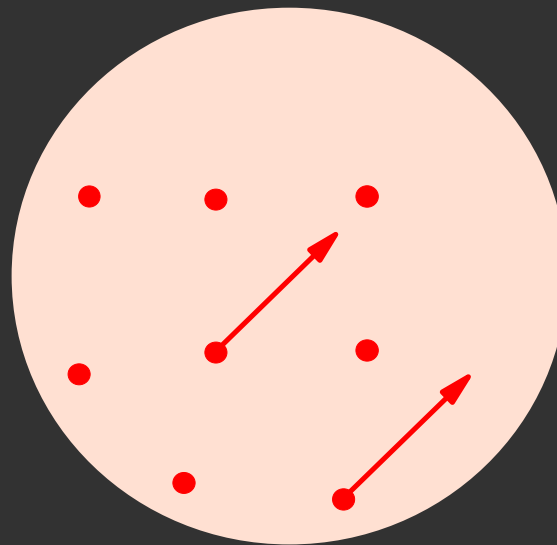


Electrical stimulation



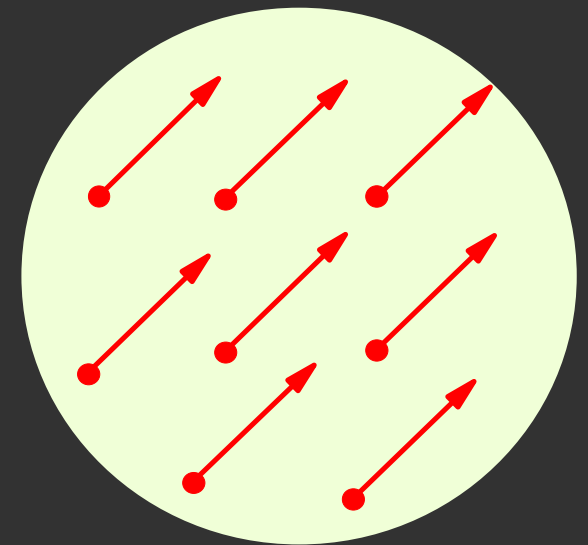
stimulation elicited saccades

Muscimol injection



inhibition of saccades with vectors represented at injected site

Bicuculline injection



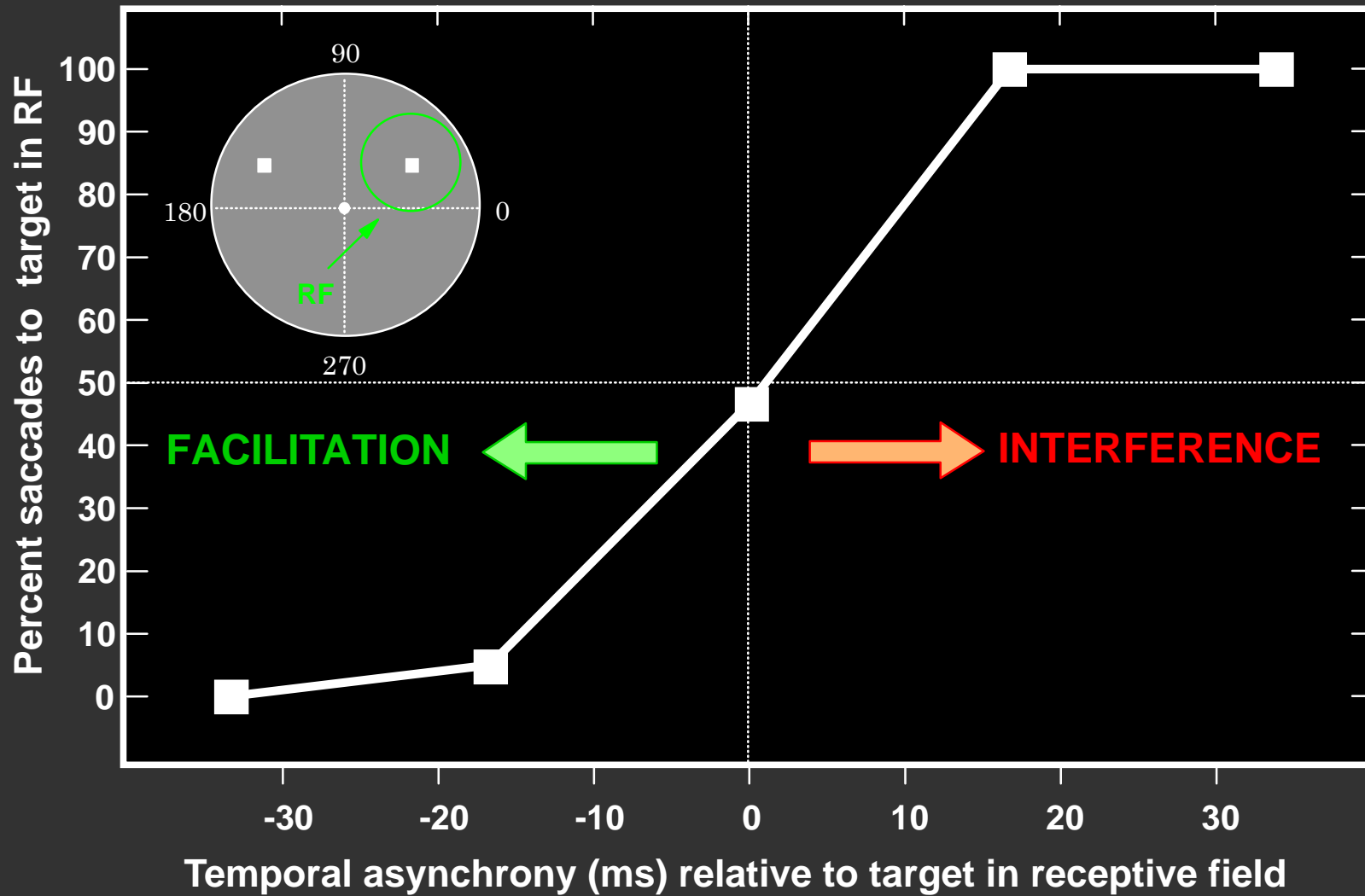
spontaneous saccades with vectors represented at injected site

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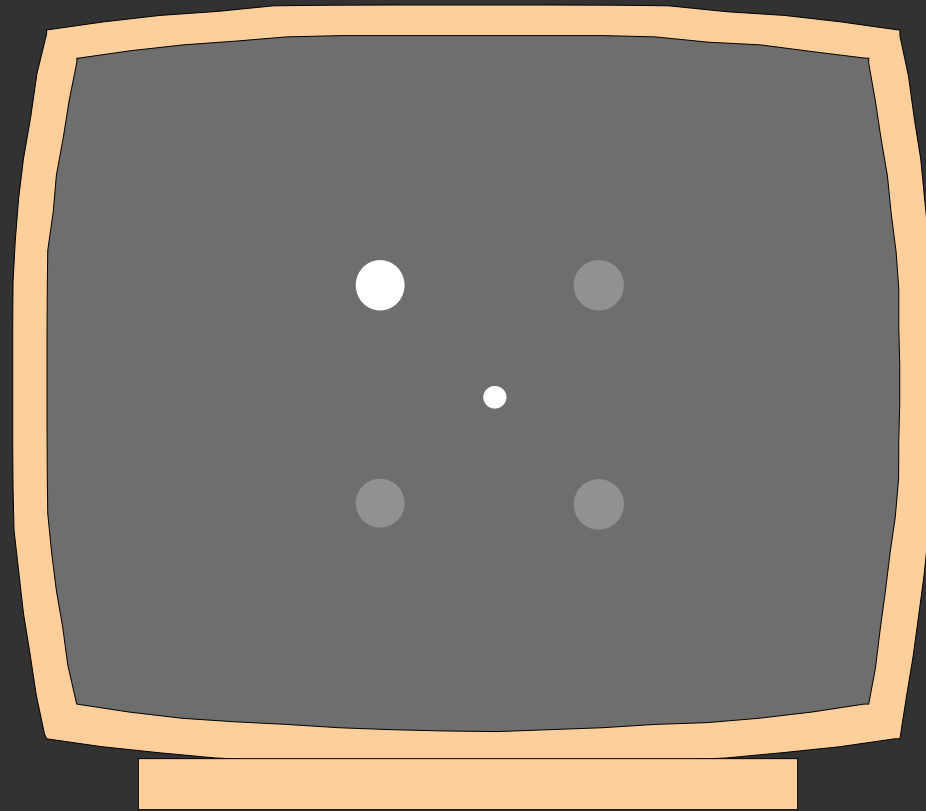
1. Paired target task
2. Visual discrimination task (odddity)

# Paired target task

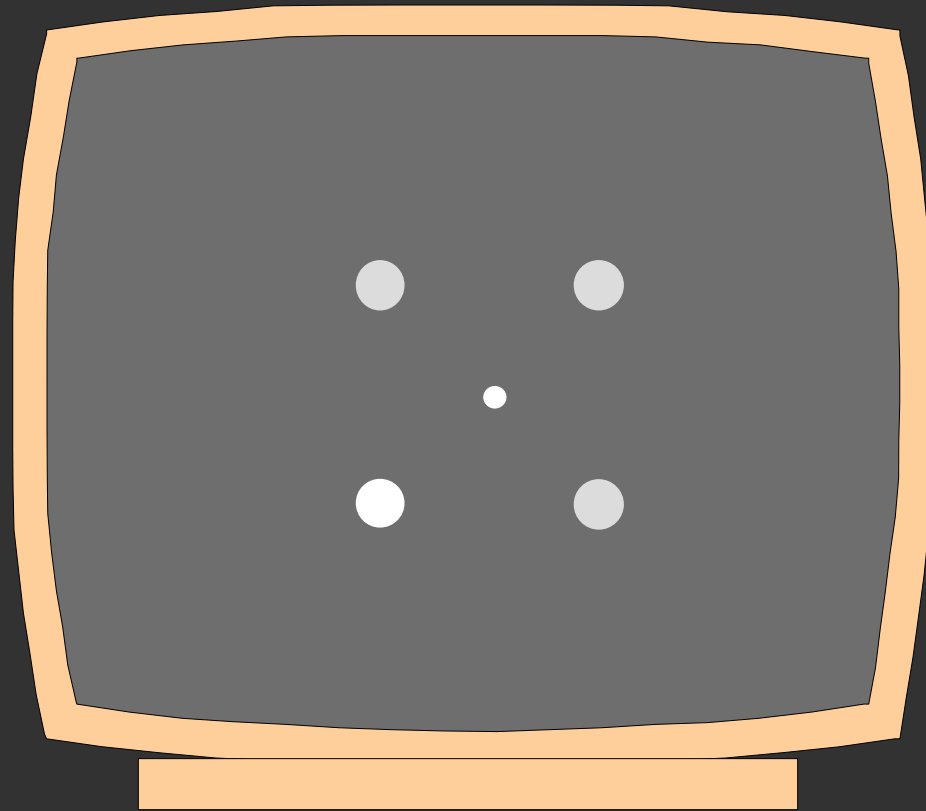




# The oddity task



# The oddity task



# The effects of muscimol injection in cortex

# Muscimol injection in V1, paired target task

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# Muscimol injection in FEF, paired target task

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# Muscimol injection in LIP, paired target task

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# The effects of bicuculline injection in cortex



# Bicuculline injection in V1, paired target task

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# Bicuculline injection in FEF, paired target task

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## The effect of local bicuculline injection in the FEF on eye movements made to three targets

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# Bicuculline injection in LIP, paired target task

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# Bicuculline injection, oddities task

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# Summary of the effects of the GABA agonist muscimol and the GABA antagonist bicuculline

## Target selection

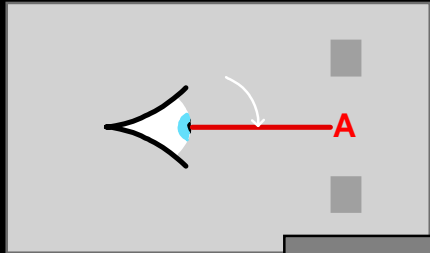
	muscimol	bicuculline
V1	INTERFERENCE	INTERFERENCE
FEF	INTERFERENCE	FACILITATION
LIP	NO EFFECT	NO EFFECT
SC	INTERFERENCE	FACILITATION

## Visual discrimination

	muscimol	bicuculline
V1	DEFICIT	DEFICIT
FEF	MILD DEFICIT	NO EFFECT
LIP	NO EFFECT	NO EFFECT

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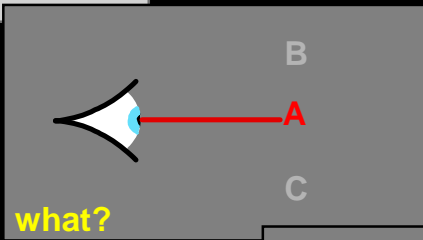
# Saccade to new location



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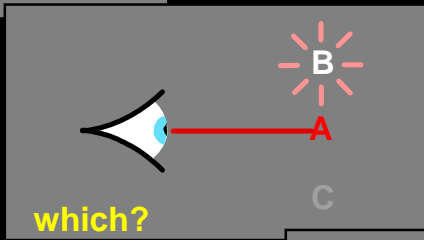
1. What are the objects in the scene?
2. Which object to look at?
3. Which object not to look at?
4. Where are the objects in space?
5. When to initiate the saccade?

V1, V2, V4,  
IT, LIP, etc.



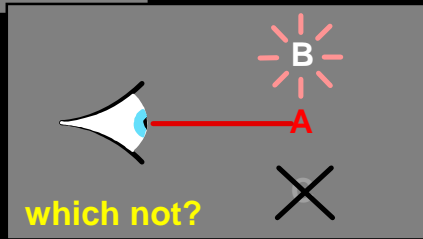
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V1, V2, LIP,  
FEF, MEF



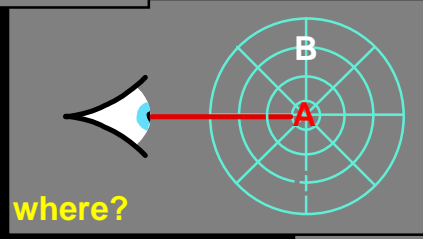
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V1, V2, LIP



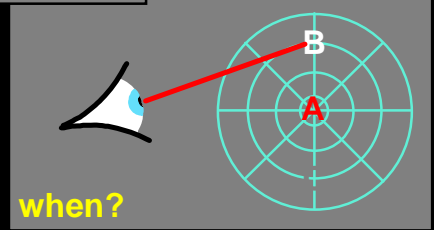
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V1, V2,  
FEF, SC



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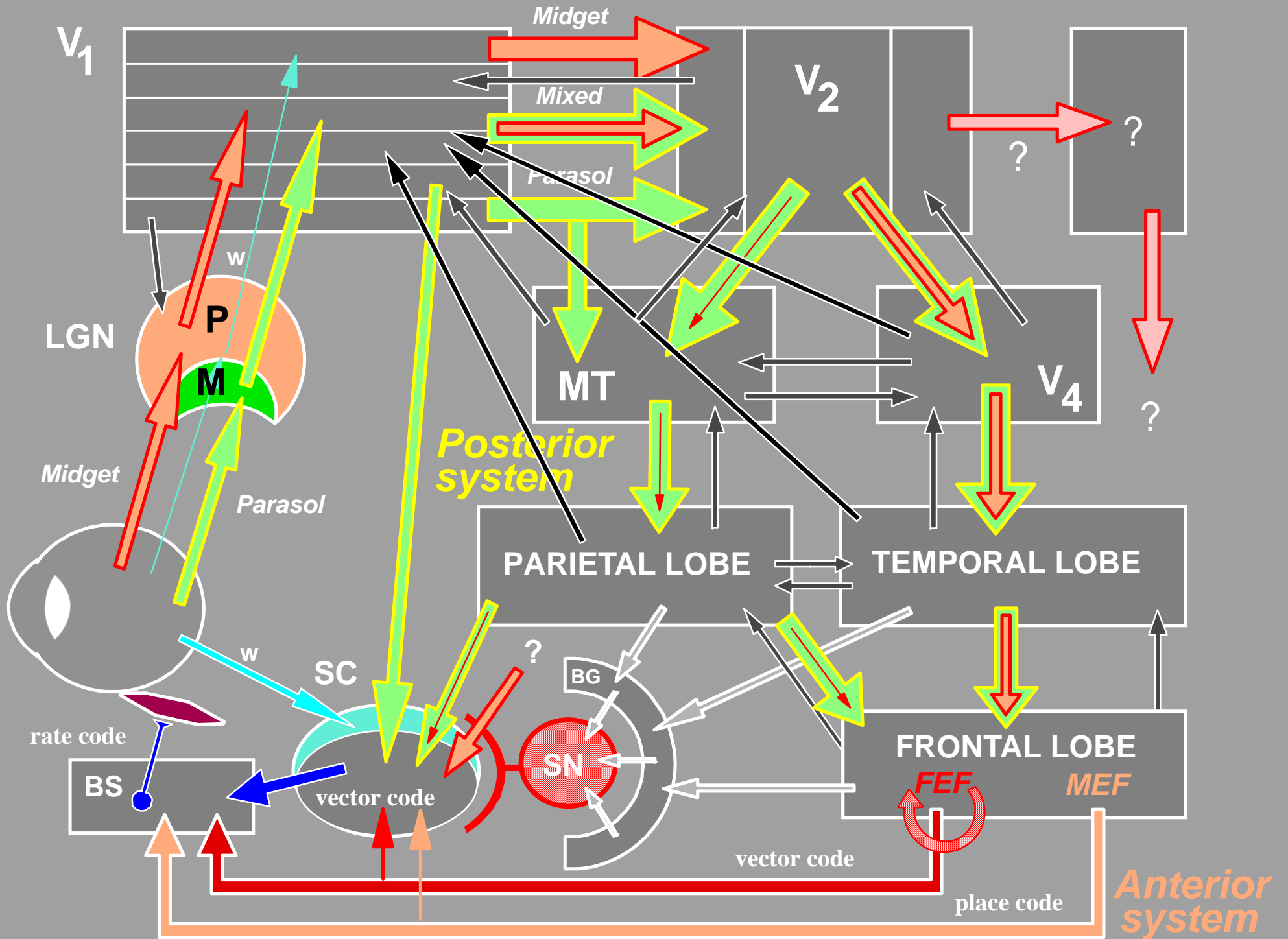
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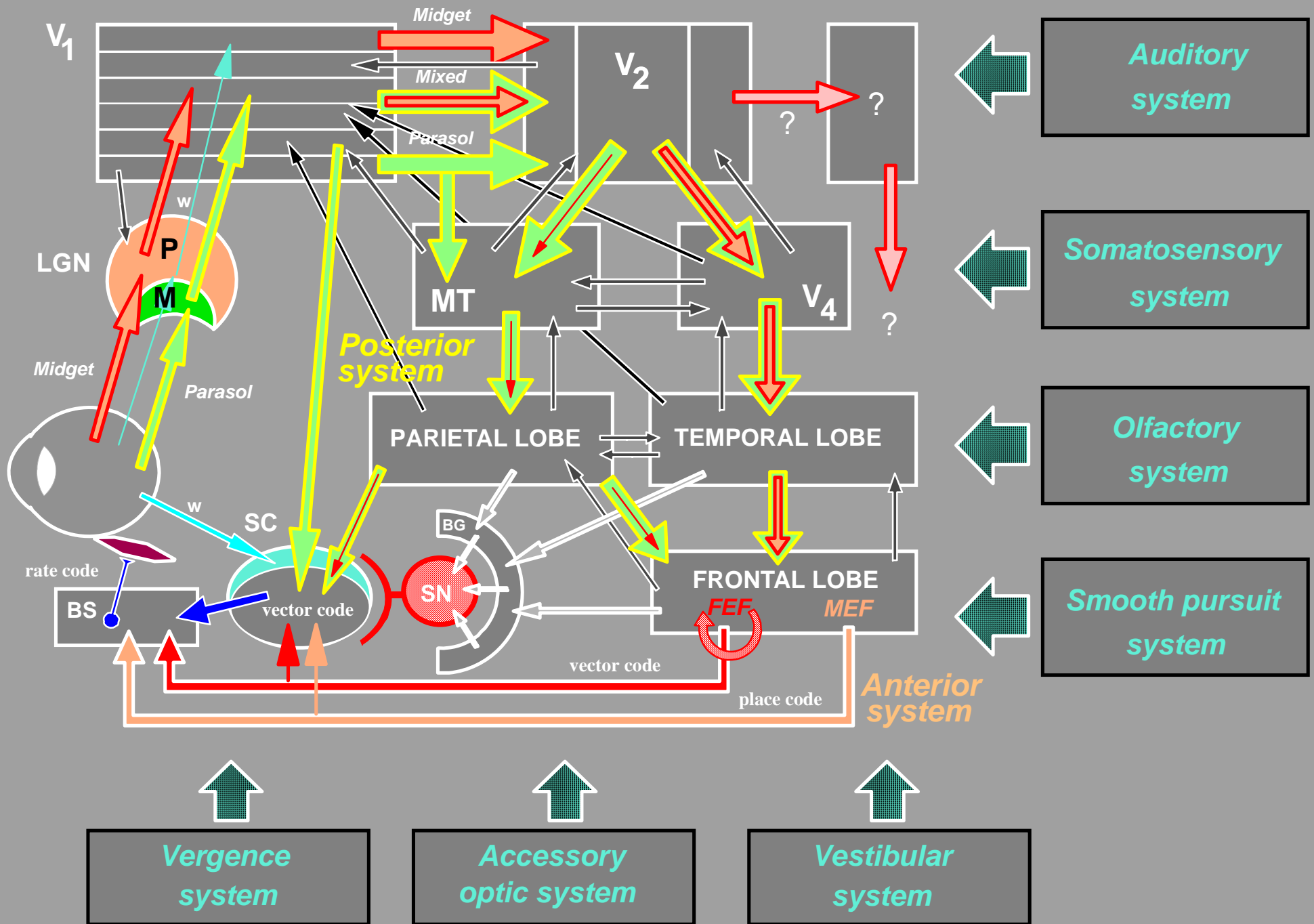


Brain areas involved

# Summary wiring diagrams







## Summary:

1. Two major cortical systems control visually guided saccadic eye movements: The anterior and the posterior.
2. The anterior system has direct access to the brainstem whereas the posterior system passes through the colliculus.
3. Inhibitory circuits, as from the substantia nigra and in the frontal eye fields, are essential for generating properly directed saccadic eye-movements.
4. Areas V1, V2, FEF, LIP and SC carry a vector code. MEF carries a place code.
5. Paired ablation of the FEF and SC eliminates visually guided saccadic eye movements.
6. The posterior system is essential for producing express saccades.
7. The FEF plays a central role in the planning of saccadic sequences and target selection.
8. The posterior system is important for **object identification**, for deciding **where to look** and **where not to look**. LIP in addition is important for deciding **when to look**. The FEF and MEF contribute to where to look.
9. The role of the medial eye fields remains a puzzle. It may be involved in hand-eye coordination, in establishing spatial relationships and in visuo-motor learning.



The end

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