

Do We Have to Deal with Multiple Comparisons in Neuroimaging?

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Preview

- **Multiplicity problems in neuroimaging**
- **Improving modeling from two perspectives**
 - Weirdness of p -value
 - Information waste and inefficient modeling
- **Application #1: region-based analysis (RBA)**
 - Whole-brain voxel-wise group analysis
 - Program available in **AFNI**: [BayesianGroupAna.py](#)
- **Application #2: matrix-based analysis (MBA)**
 - FMRI: inter-region correlation (IRC)
 - DTI: white-matter properties (FA, MD, RD, AD, etc.)
 - Naturalistic scanning: Inter-subject correlation (ISC)
 - Program available in **AFNI**: [MBA](#)

Conventional group analysis: **voxel-wise**

- **Simple situations**

- Student's t -test: one-, two-sample, paired t -test
- General linear model (GLM) with between-subjects variables (sex, age, ...)
- **3dttest++** and **3dMVM** in AFNI

- **Situations with **within-subject** factors**

- Univariate GLM for AN(C)OVA: **not always performed correctly**
- Multivariate GLM: **3dMVM** in AFNI

- **Other complicated situations**

- Missing data, within-subject quantitative covariates (reaction time, ...)
- Linear mixed-effects modeling: **3dLME** in AFNI

- **Headache: multiplicity!**

Conventional matrix-based analysis

- **Matrices from individual subjects**

- Inter-region correlations (IRCs), inter-subject correction (ISC)
- White-matter properties: missing data
- Others: coherence, mutual information, entropy, ...

- **Group analysis**

- Mirroring adoption of whole-brain analysis
- Univariate GLM: **treating matrix elements as isolated entities**
- NBS, CONN, FSLNets in FSL, GIFT, Brain Connectivity Toolbox, ...

- **Graph theory**

- Arbitrary thresholding, artificial dichotomization
- Garden of forking paths: scores of metrics (hub, community, clique, small-world, ...)

- **Headache: multiplicity!**

4 multiplicity problems

- **Element-wise modeling (multi-model problem)**
 - aka massively univariate modeling
 - Perform whole-brain voxel-wise or element-wise in matrix analysis
 - Pretend all spatial elements are isolated and unrelated to each other
 - Recoup the false assumption through correction: **heavy penalty** and **inefficient**
- **Sidedness testing**
 - Simultaneously infer both positive and negative effects: **dominantly adopted**
- **Multiple comparisons (conventional concept)**
 - Simultaneously compare groups, conditions, and interactions
 - Not much attention paid so far
- **Multiverse problem: researcher degrees of freedom**
 - Thousands of options coexist: different preprocessing pipelines, modeling strategies, software
 - Garden of forking paths: only reporting “significant discoveries”
 - No easy solutions exist

Conventional statistical testing strategy

- **Null hypothesis significance testing (NHST)**

- We are all indoctrinated under the paradigm
- Build a strawman H_0 : nothing happens in brain
- Attack strawman H_0 with weirdness of data under H_0 : **p -value**
 - **Type I error** = $P(\text{reject } H_0 \mid H_0)$ = false positive = p -value
 - **Type II error** = $P(\text{accept } H_0 \mid H_1)$ = false negative
- Dichotomize data based on magic number **0.05**



- **Nice properties of NHST**

- Consistent with Karl Popper's philosophy
 - **Falsification or refutation**
 - **Inductive: all swans are white**
- Intuitive: **innocent until proven guilty**
- Economical/utility: categorization
 - ADHD, autism, emission test (pass vs fail), ...

Courtroom

Hidden Truth

	Innocent	Guilty
Reject H_0 (guilty)	Type I Error (defendant very unhappy)	Correct
Fail to Reject H_0 (not guilty)	Correct	Type II Error (defendant very happy)

Weirdness of p -value

- **Strawman H_0 : artificial construct**

- Witch hunt: usually of no interest
 - Effect of absolute zeros? Who believes no effect everywhere in brain?
- Artificially binarize continuous world: innocent vs guilty
 - “activated” vs “not activated”? Or strength of evidence for activation?
- **P -value flows in our blood: unaware of weirdness and troubles**
- Disconnection/misinterpretation: $P(\text{weirdness} | H_0) \neq P(H_0 | \text{data})$
 - P -value: $P(\text{weirdness} | H_0)$
 - Research interest: $P(\text{effect} > 0 \text{ or } < 0 | \text{data})$

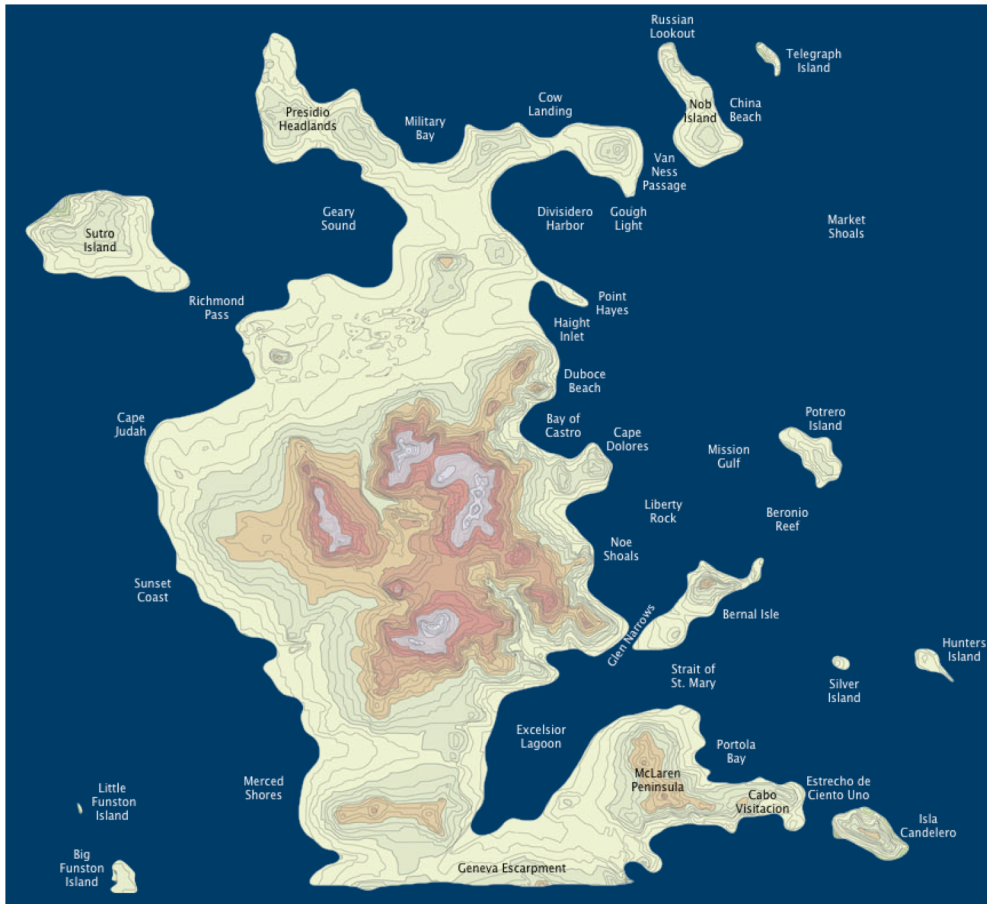


- **Problems with dichotomous decision**

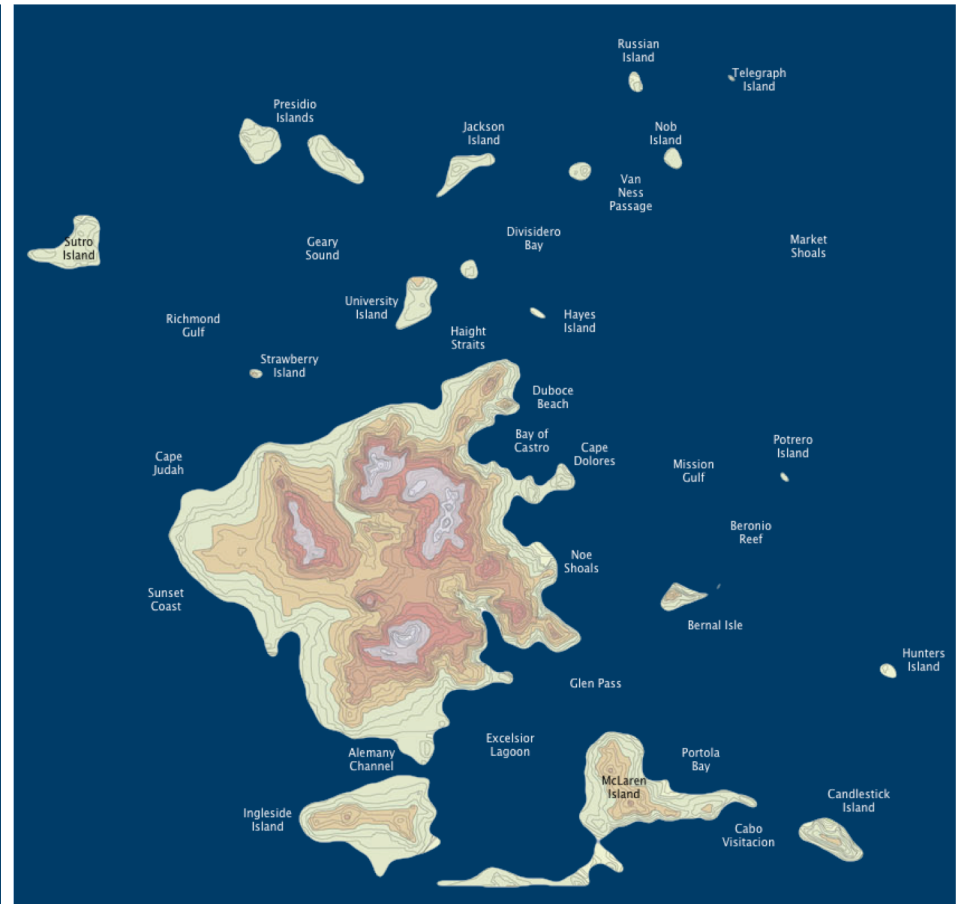
- P -value of 0.05 vs 0.055 or cluster of 54 vs 53 voxels?
- Statistically insignificant = non-existing effect? Absence of evidence = evidence of absence?
- Difference between “significant” & “insignificant” results: not necessarily significant
- Selection bias about effect estimates in results reporting
 - Power analysis based on literature: not very useful other than pleasing grant reviewers
 - One source of reproducibility problems: big/tall parents (violent men, engineers) have more sons; beautiful parents (nurses) have more daughters; power posing
 - Unreliable meta analyses: many potential effects unreported

Clusters vs islands: arbitrariness

Threshold (sea level) 1



Threshold (sea level) 2



Problems with clusters

- **Cluster thresholding: “islands above sea level” approach**
 - Use cluster size as leverage in controlling overall false positives (FWE)
 - Monte Carlo simulations, RFT, combination of cluster size and signal strength
 - Hide everything below threshold
 - Arbitrary: regardless of rigor in FWE controllability
 - Penalize and discriminate small regions
 - **Unfair:** 2 regions with same signal strength: one large and one small
 - 2 regions with same signal strength: one distant and one contiguous
 - Clusters are statistically defined
 - Do not respect anatomical structures
 - Lack spatial specificity: bleeding effect or forming huge clusters
 - Focus on statistically defined “peak” voxels
 - Sidedness for whole brain: one- or two-sided?

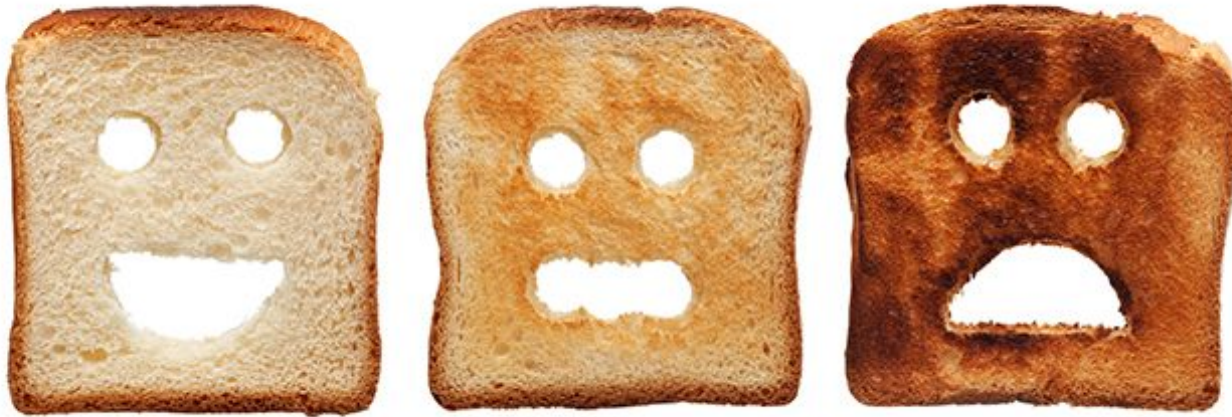
Problems with element-wise modeling

- **First step: apply same model to all elements**
 - Pretend all elements are isolated and unrelated: **false assumption**
 - Source of multi-model problem: number of models = number of elements
- **Second step: correct for multi-model and false assumption**
 - Use cluster size as leverage in controlling overall false positives
 - Monte Carlo simulations, RFT, combination of cluster size and signal strength
- **Problems**
 - Loss of efficiency due to split-modeling and false assumption
 - Over-penalization
 - Reinforcing arbitrary thresholding and dichotomization
- **How can we do better?** Prior knowledge: elements are not unrelated
- **Conceptually $P(\text{weirdness} | H_0) \neq P(H_0 | \text{data})$, but practically $P(\text{weirdness} | H_0) \cong P(H_0 | \text{data})$?**

How to incorporate prior knowledge?

- **Priors are omnipresent in life**
 - Walking stairs, prejudices, stereotypes, etc.
- **But priors are not always easy to digest!**
 - **Infamy: subjective???**
 - Are we eating acrylamide for breakfast?

$$\pi(\theta | y) = \frac{\pi(y | \theta)\pi(\theta)}{\pi(y)}$$



Both sides good

One side **BURNT**

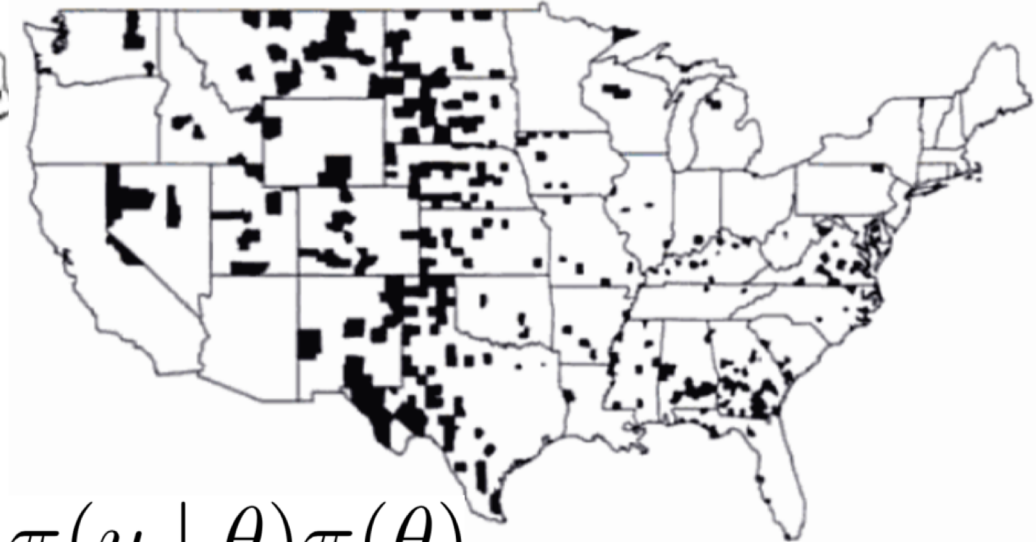
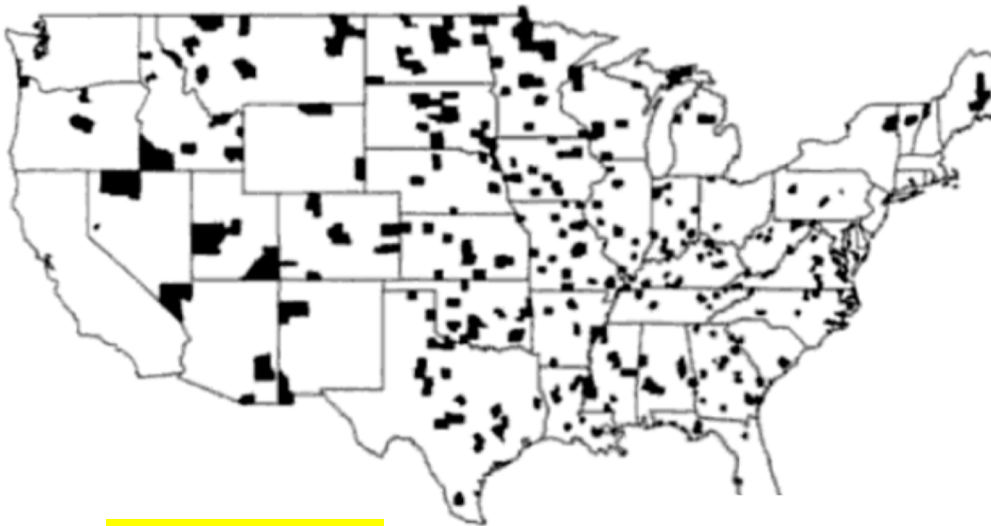
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How to incorporate prior knowledge?

- Kidney cancer distribution among U. S. counties

Highest rate

lowest rate



Calibration

$$\pi(\theta | y) = \frac{\pi(y | \theta)\pi(\theta)}{\pi(y)}$$

How to incorporate prior knowledge?

- **More examples**

- LeBron James field goals percentage: 50.4%
- Monthly divorce rate, suicide rate
- ...

- **KISS principle**

- **Stein's paradox (1956)**

Calibration

$$\pi(\theta | y) = \frac{\pi(y | \theta)\pi(\theta)}{\pi(y)}$$

- **Free market vs regulations**

Morals from kidney cancer data

- **Multiplicity problem: > 3000 counties!**
 - Divide p -value by number of counties?
 - Borrow idea from neuroimaging: leverage geographical relatedness?
- **What can we learn from the example? Food for thought**
 - Care about the strawman H_0 (zero kidney rate), false positives, p -value?
 - Trust individual county-wise estimates? **Unbiased! BLUE**
 - **Incorrect sign errors** (type S): some counties really have higher kidney cancer rate than others?
 - **Incorrect magnitude** (type M): some counties really have higher/lower cancer rate?
 - Would correction for multiplicity help at all?
 - Useless in controlling for type S and M errors
- **How can we do better?**
 - Information across spatial elements can be shared and regularized
 - **How???**

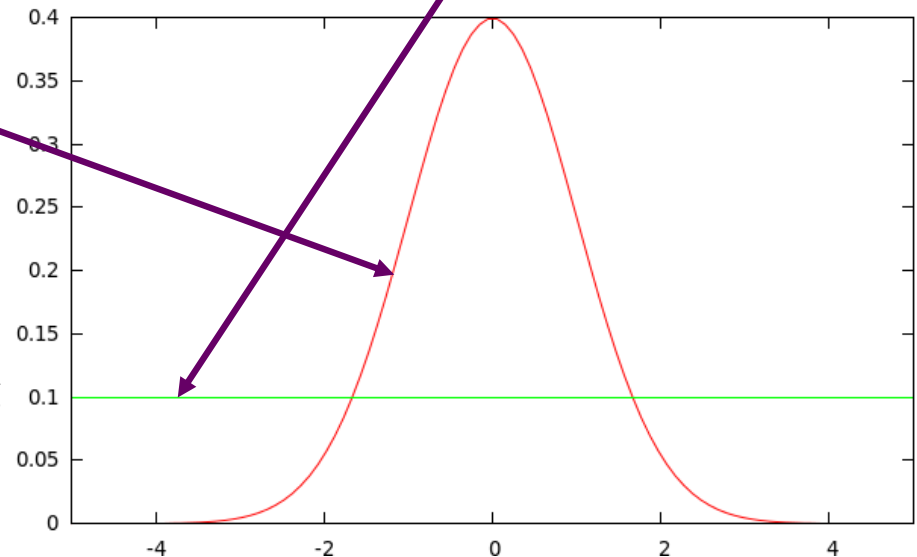
What do we know about spatial elements?

- **Element-wise modeling**

- Pretend full ignorance: fully trust the data
- Uniform distribution: each element equally likely to have any value in $(-\infty, +\infty)$
- Similar for variances: variances can be negative in ANOVA

- **One crucial prior for spatial elements**

- Reasonable to assume Gaussian distribution?
- Gaussian assumption adopted everywhere!
 - Subjects, residuals across TRs
- How can Gaussian assumption help?
 - Loosely constraining elements
 - No full trust for individual estimates
 - Information sharing: shrinkage or partial pooling
 - Controlling type S and M errors



Short summary: **what we intend to achieve**

- **Abandon strawman and *p*-value**

- Directly focus on research interest $P(\text{effect} > 0 \mid \text{data})$

- **Build one model**

- Incorporate all elements into a multilevel or hierarchical structure
- Loosely constrain elements: leverage **prior knowledge**
- Achieve higher modeling efficiency: **no more multiplicity!**
- Validate the model by comparing with potential competitors
- Be conservative on effect estimates by controlling type S and M errors: **biased?**
- Always be mindful of uncertainties: strength of evidence (no proof)

- **Avoid dichotomous decisions**

- Report full results if possible
- Highlight instead of hide based on gradient of evidence

Application #1: region-based analysis

• Dataset

- Subjects: $n = 124$ children; resting-state data (Xiao et al., 2019)
- Individual subjects: seed-based correlation for each subject
 - 3D correlation between seed and whole brain (“functional connectivity”)
- Explanatory variable (behavior data): Theory of Mind Index x_i

• Voxel-wise group analysis: GLMs

- Focus: association between x and seed-based correlation (z-score)
- **Pretense**: voxels **unrelated** - equal likelihood within $(-\infty, \infty)$
- **Information waste!**
- GLMs: mass univariate - **multiplicity**
 $m = 100,000$ voxels \rightarrow
100,000 models

Xiao et al., 2019. [Neuroimage 184:707-716](#)

Uniform distribution:
total freedom - each
parameter on its own

1st voxel: $z_1 = a_1 + b_1 x + \epsilon_1$

2nd voxel: $z_2 = a_2 + b_2 x + \epsilon_2$

...

m th voxel: $z_m = a_m + b_m x + \epsilon_m$

GLMs: dealing with multiplicity!

• Voxel-based analysis: GLMs

- **Penalty time** for pretense: multiple testing ($m = 100,000$), magic **0.05**
- **Show time** for various correction methods
 - Voxel-wise p , FWE, FDR, spatial smoothness, clusters, ...
 - Simulations, random field theory, permutations, ...
 - How would dataset turn out under GLM? **4 lucky clusters** manage to survive

voxel p	cluster threshold	surviving ROIs	ROIs
0.001	28	2	R PCC, PCC/PrC
0.005	66	4	R PCC, PCC/PrC., L IPL, L TPJ
0.01	106	4	R PCC, PCC/PrC., L IPL, L TPJ
0.05	467	4	R PCC, PCC/PrC., L IPL, L TPJ

Switching from voxels to ROIs: **still GLMs**

- **Region-wise analysis : GLMs**

- Focus: association between and seed-based correlation (z-score)

- **Pretense**: ROIs **unrelated**

- GLMs: mass univariate

$m = 21$ ROIs \rightarrow
21 models

- **Penalty time** for pretense:
multiple testing – what to do?

- **Bonferroni**? Unbearable
- What else?

Uniform distribution:
total freedom - each
parameter on its own.

1st ROI: $z_1 = a_1 + b_1 \mathbf{x} + \epsilon_1$

2nd ROI: $z_1 = a_2 + b_2 \mathbf{x} + \epsilon_2$

...

m th ROI: $z_m = a_m + b_m \mathbf{x} + \epsilon_m$

Switching from GLMs to LME

• Region-wise analysis : Linear Mixed-Effects (LME) model

- One model integrates all regions
- ROIs loosely **constrained** instead of being **unrelated**
 - Gaussian distribution: Is it far fetched or subjective?
 - Similar to cross-subject variability

○ Goal: effect of interest $b + \beta_j$

- Differentiation: fixed vs random
 - Fixed: **epistemic** uncertainty
 - Random: **aleatoric** uncertainty

- What can we get out of LME?
 - Conventional framework
 - Estimates for fixed effects
 - Variances for random effects

○ **Dead end!**

New components

idiosyncratic effect of i th subject

Unique effect of j th ROI

$$z_{ij} = a + bx_i + \pi_i + \alpha_j + \beta_j x_i + \epsilon_{ij}$$

$$\pi_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, \tau^2), (\alpha_j, \beta_j)^T \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\lambda})$$

$$\epsilon_{ij} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2), i = 1, 2, \dots, n, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

Overall effect: shared by all ROIs and subjects

Switching from GLMs to **BML**

- **Region-wise analysis : Bayesian multilevel (BML) model**

- **One** model integrates all regions: basically same as LME
- ROIs loosely **constrained** instead of being **unrelated**
 - Gaussian distribution: Is it far-fetched or subjective?
 - Similar to cross-subject variability

- **Goal: effect of interest $b + \beta_j$**
- No more differentiation: fixed vs. random
 - All parameters: **aleatoric**
- Same model as LME plus **priors**
 - **Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)**
 - Inferences via posterior distribution

- **Ka-ching!**

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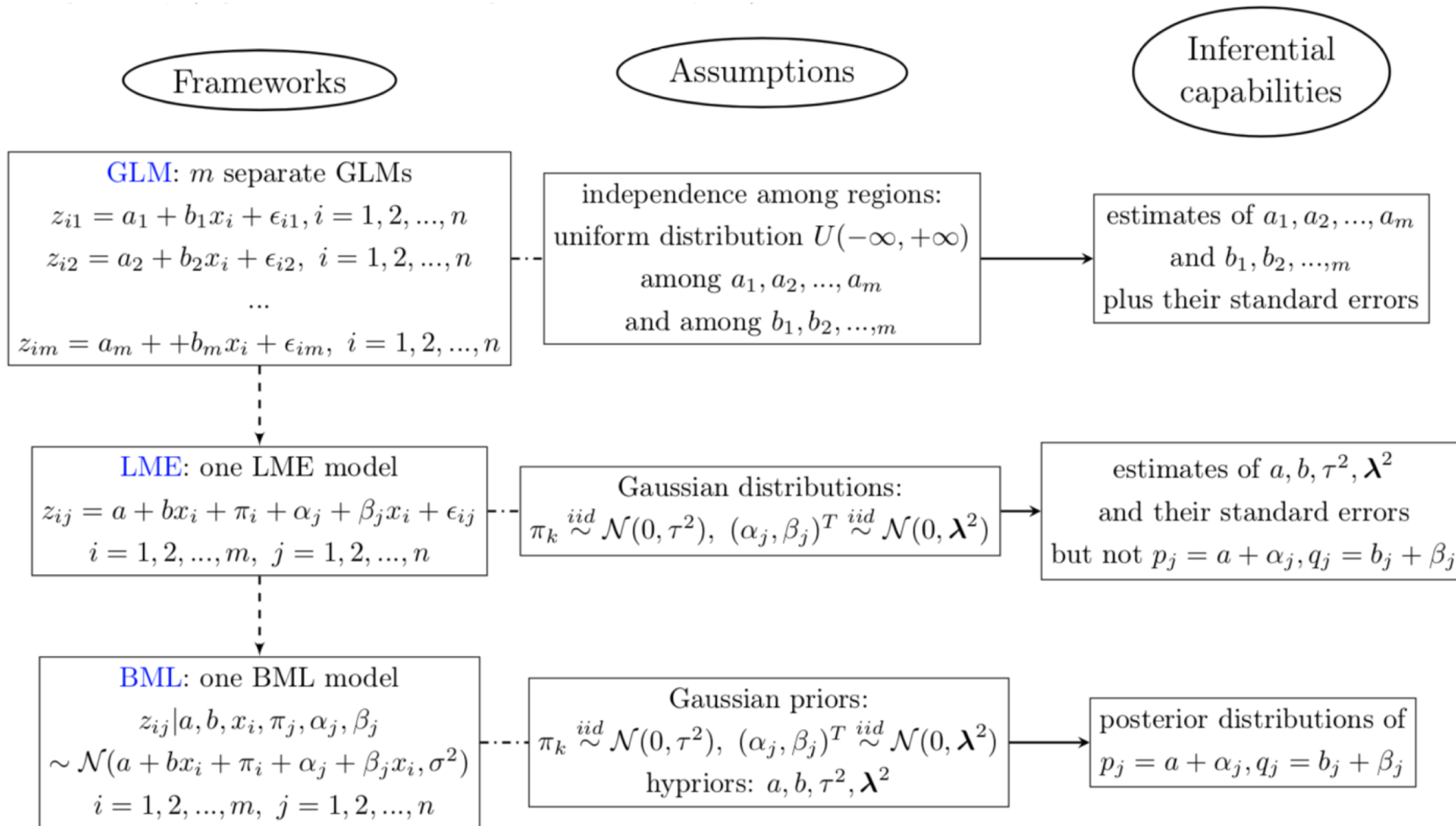
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From GLMs to LME to BML



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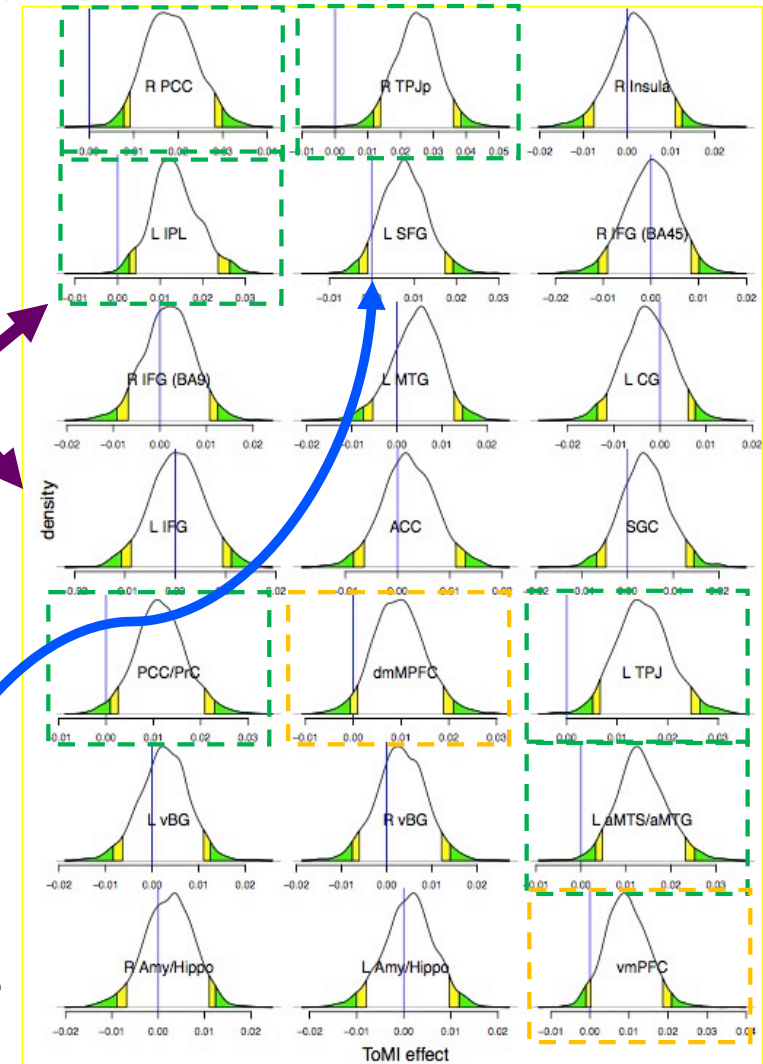
Inferences from BML: full distributions

- Region-based BML: 21 ROIs
- Full report with richer information: posterior distributions for each ROI
 - No dichotomization
 - No results hiding
 - No discrimination against small regions
 - No ambiguities about spatial specificity
 - No inconvenient interpretation of confidence interval
 - Evidence for each ROI: $P(\text{effect} > 0 \mid \text{data})$

- 8 ROIs with strong evidence of effect compared to

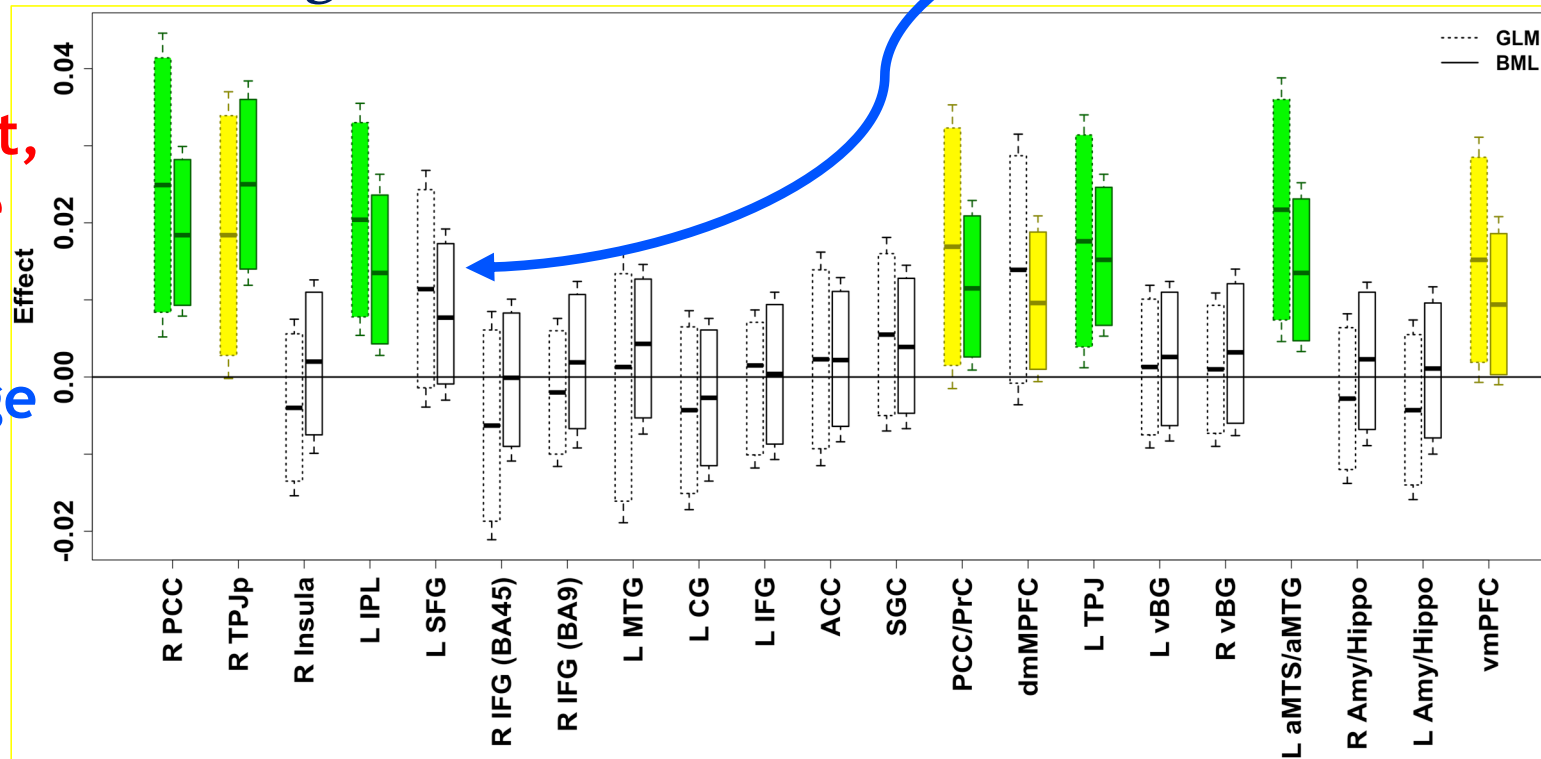
- Region-wise GLM with Bonferroni correction
- Voxel-wise GLM at cluster level: 4 clusters

How about Left SFG?



Inferences from BML: uncertainty

- ROI-based BML: 21 ROIs
- Full report with **bar graph** uncertainty intervals
 - **Nothing hidden under sea level**
- 8 ROIs with strong evidence for effect of interest



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Shrinkage
/ partial
pooling

BML: model validations

- ROI-based BML with 21 ROIs: cross-validation

- Leave-one-out information criterion (LOOIC)

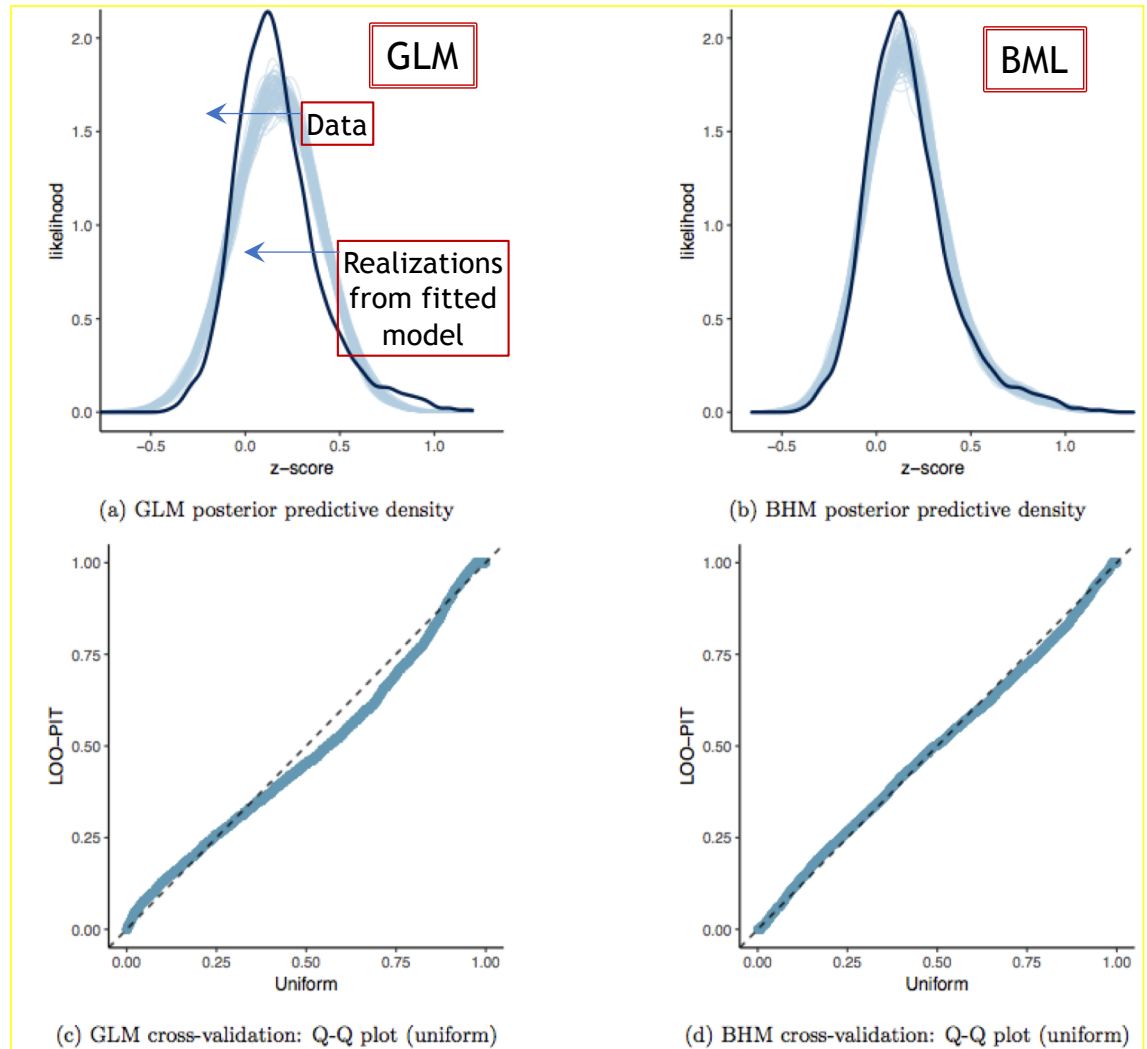
Cross-validation

	LOOIC	SE
GLM	-300.39	98.25
BML	-2247.06	86.42
GLM - BML	1946.67	96.35

- Posterior predictive checking

- Effects of BML

- Regularizing ROIs: don't fully trust individual ROI data
 - Sacrificing fit at each ROI; achieving better overall fit



BML: Whole-brain vs. region-base analysis

- **Region-based analysis**

- + high region specificity: region definitions considered as priors
- + low computational cost
- + avoiding potential alignment issues by defining regions in native space
- not all regions have been defined
- **information loss** due to averaging within each region
- region definitions can be tricky
 - relying on results accuracy in literature (e.g., publication bias)
 - different atlases/parcellations

- **Whole-brain analysis**

- + independent of region definitions
- + less likely to miss small regions that are not in available atlases/parcellations
- vulnerable to poor alignment across subjects
- region specificity problem
 - Voxel-wise results do not respect region definitions
- Computationally challenging
 - hopeful: within-chain parallelization and GPU usage

Application #2: matrix-based analysis

- **Dataset: correlation matrix**

- Subjects: $n = 41$ subjects; response-conflict task (Choi et al., 2012)
- Individual subjects: **correlation matrix** among $m = 16$ ROIs
- How to go about group analysis?
 - GLM for each element in correlation matrix: NBS, CONN, FSLNets in FSL, GIFT
 - Binarization approach: graph theory
- More broadly: matrix-based analysis (MBA) (“network modeling”)
 - **Inter-region correlation** (IRC): FMRI
 - **White matter properties** (FA, MD, ...): DTI
 - Other matrices (e.g., coherence, entropy, mutual information)

- **Focus on GLM**

- Student t -test or GLM on each element
 - $M = 120$ massively univariate models
- **Pretense** again: all elements are **unrelated**
- Equal likelihood within $(-\infty, \infty)$
- **Information waste**
- **Penalty time** again: permutations? FDR?

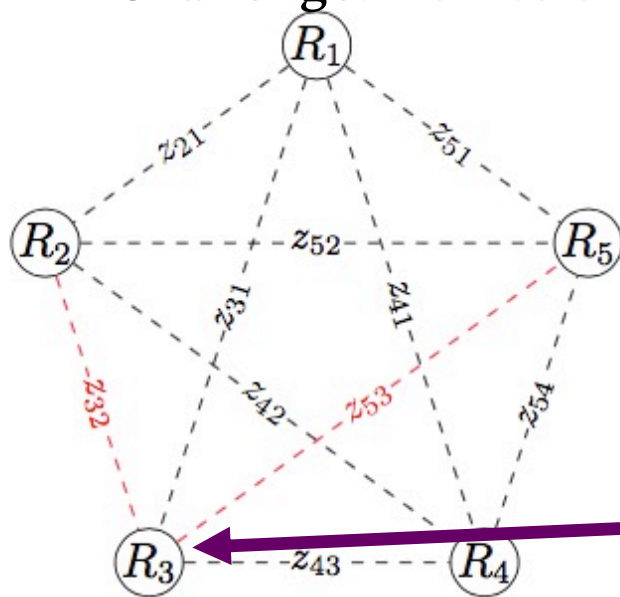
Choi et al., 2012. Neuroimage 59(2):1912-1923

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Dealing with inter-region correlations (IRCs)

• Complexities of IRCs

- Some region pairs are unrelated, but others are correlated
- Correlation structure is intricate
- $0 \leq \rho \leq 0.5$
- Can we do a better job than GLMs or dichotomization?
 - **Challenge: How to characterize the complex structure?**



$$P^{(5)} = \begin{matrix} & z_{21} & z_{31} & z_{41} & z_{51} & z_{32} & z_{42} & z_{52} & z_{43} & z_{53} & z_{54} \\ \begin{matrix} z_{21} \\ z_{31} \\ z_{41} \\ z_{51} \\ z_{32} \\ z_{42} \\ z_{52} \\ z_{43} \\ z_{53} \\ z_{54} \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho & \rho & \rho & \rho & \rho & \rho & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \rho & 1 & \rho & \rho & \rho & 0 & 0 & \rho & \rho & 0 \\ \rho & \rho & 1 & \rho & 0 & \rho & 0 & \rho & 0 & \rho \\ \rho & \rho & \rho & 1 & 0 & 0 & \rho & 0 & \rho & \rho \\ \rho & \rho & 0 & 0 & 1 & \rho & \rho & \rho & \rho & 0 \\ \rho & 0 & \rho & 0 & \rho & 1 & \rho & \rho & 0 & \rho \\ \rho & 0 & 0 & \rho & \rho & \rho & 1 & 0 & \rho & \rho \\ 0 & \rho & \rho & 0 & \rho & \rho & 0 & 1 & \rho & \rho \\ 0 & \rho & 0 & \rho & \rho & 0 & \rho & \rho & 1 & \rho \\ 0 & 0 & \rho & \rho & 0 & \rho & \rho & \rho & \rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

IRC: switching from GLM to LME

- IRC analysis through linear mixed-effects (LME) modeling

- One model integrates all ROIs: LME
- ROIs loosely constrained instead of being unrelated
 - Gaussian distribution: Is it far-fetched?
 - Similar to cross-subject variability
- Differentiation: fixed vs. random
 - Fixed: **epistemic** uncertainty
 - Random: **aleatoric** uncertainty

- Effects of interest
 - region pair: $b_0 + \xi_i + \xi_j + \eta_{ij}$
 - region: $0.5 * b_0 + \xi_i$

- LME wouldn't work!
Dead end!

The diagram illustrates the components of the LME model equation $z_{ijk} = b_0 + \xi_i + \xi_j + \eta_{ij} + \zeta_{ik} + \zeta_{jk} + \pi_k + \epsilon_{ijk}$. A green arrow points from the text 'LME wouldn't work! Dead end!' to the equation. Purple arrows point from descriptive labels to the corresponding terms in the equation:

- overall effect: shared by all ROIs and subjects** points to b_0 .
- Unique effect at *i*th & *j*th ROI** points to $\xi_i + \xi_j$.
- Unique effect of RP** points to η_{ij} .
- Unique effect at *i*th & *j*th ROI for *k*th subject** points to $\zeta_{ik} + \zeta_{jk}$.
- unique effect by *k*th subject** points to π_k .

The equation is:
$$z_{ijk} = b_0 + \xi_i + \xi_j + \eta_{ij} + \zeta_{ik} + \zeta_{jk} + \pi_k + \epsilon_{ijk}$$

The distributional assumptions are: $\xi_i, \xi_j \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, \lambda^2)$, $\eta_{ij} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mu^2)$, $\zeta_{ik}, \zeta_{jk} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \nu^2)$, $\pi_k \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, \tau^2)$, $\epsilon_{ijk} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$
 $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ($i > j$), $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$

IRC: one more jump from LME to **BML**

- **IRC analysis through Bayesian multilevel (BML) modeling**

- **One** model integrates all ROIs: BML (essentially same as LME)

- ROIs loosely constrained instead of being unrelated

- Gaussian distribution: Is it far-fetched?
- Similar to cross-subject variability

- No differentiation: fixed vs. random

- All parameters: **aleatoric** uncertainty

- Effects of interest

- **region pair**: $b_0 + \xi_i + \xi_j + \eta_{ij}$
- **region**: $0.5 * b_0 + \xi_i$

- LME plus **priors**

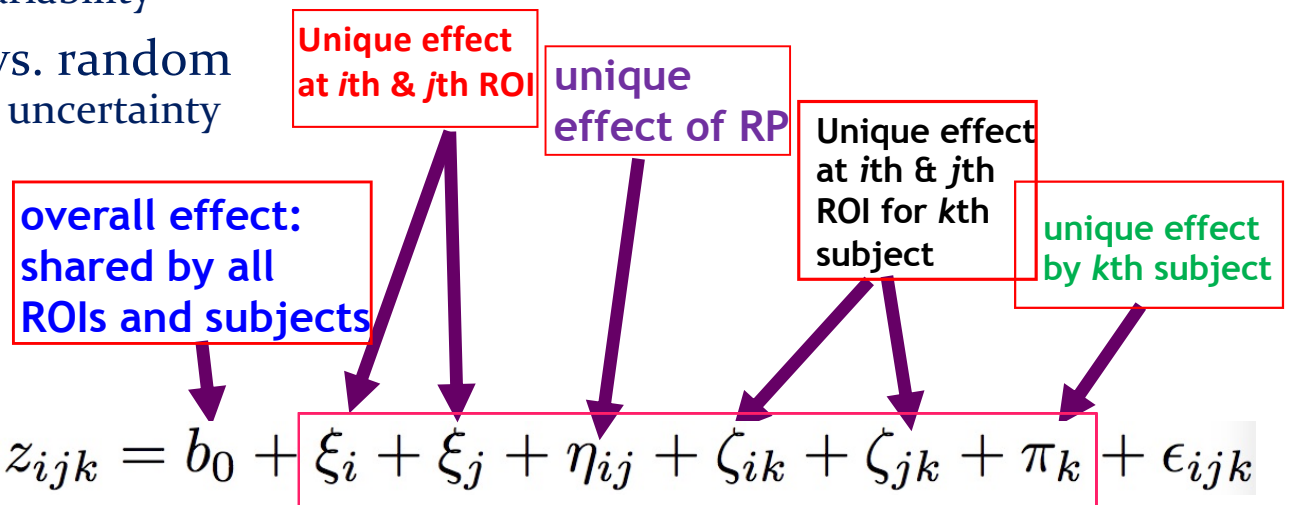
- **MCMC**

- Posterior distribution $z_{ijk} = b_0 + \xi_i + \xi_j + \eta_{ij} + \zeta_{ik} + \zeta_{jk} + \pi_k + \epsilon_{ijk}$

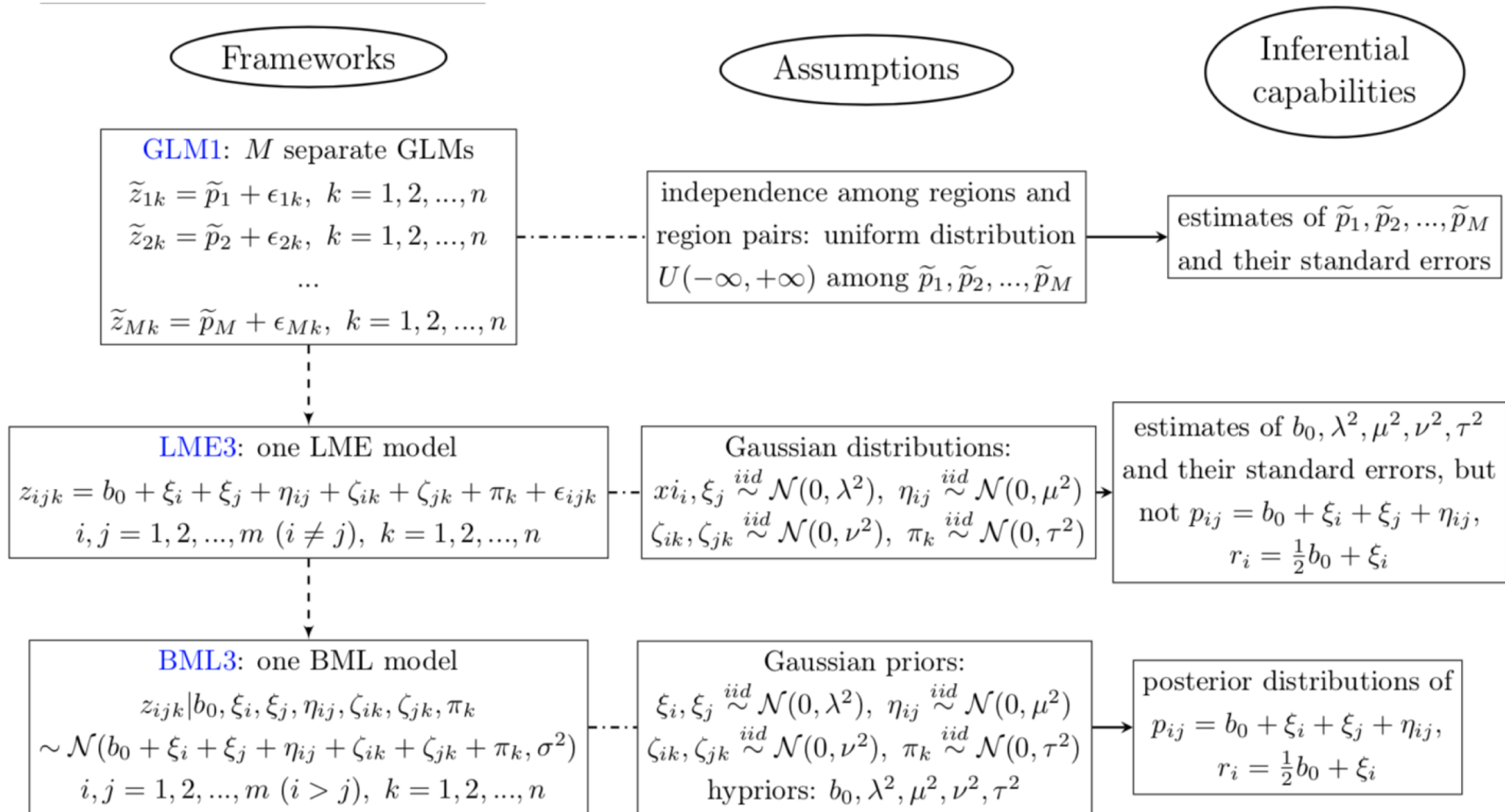
- **Ka-ching!**

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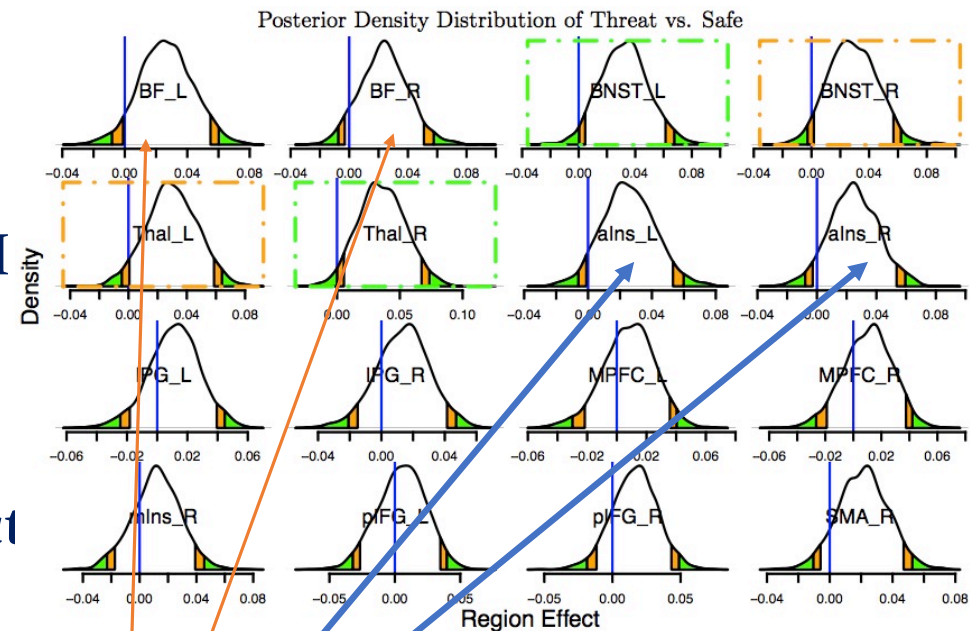
From GLMs to LME to **BML**



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IRC – ROI effect from BML: **full distributions**

- ROI-based BML: **16 ROIs**
 - **Full report** with richer information: posterior distributions for each ROI
 - No dichotomization
 - **Nothing hidden under sea level**
 - **4 ROIs** with strong evidence of effect compared to
 - Region effect inferences: unavailable from GLM and graph theory
 - **Hubness?**
- How about Left & Right Anterior Insula?

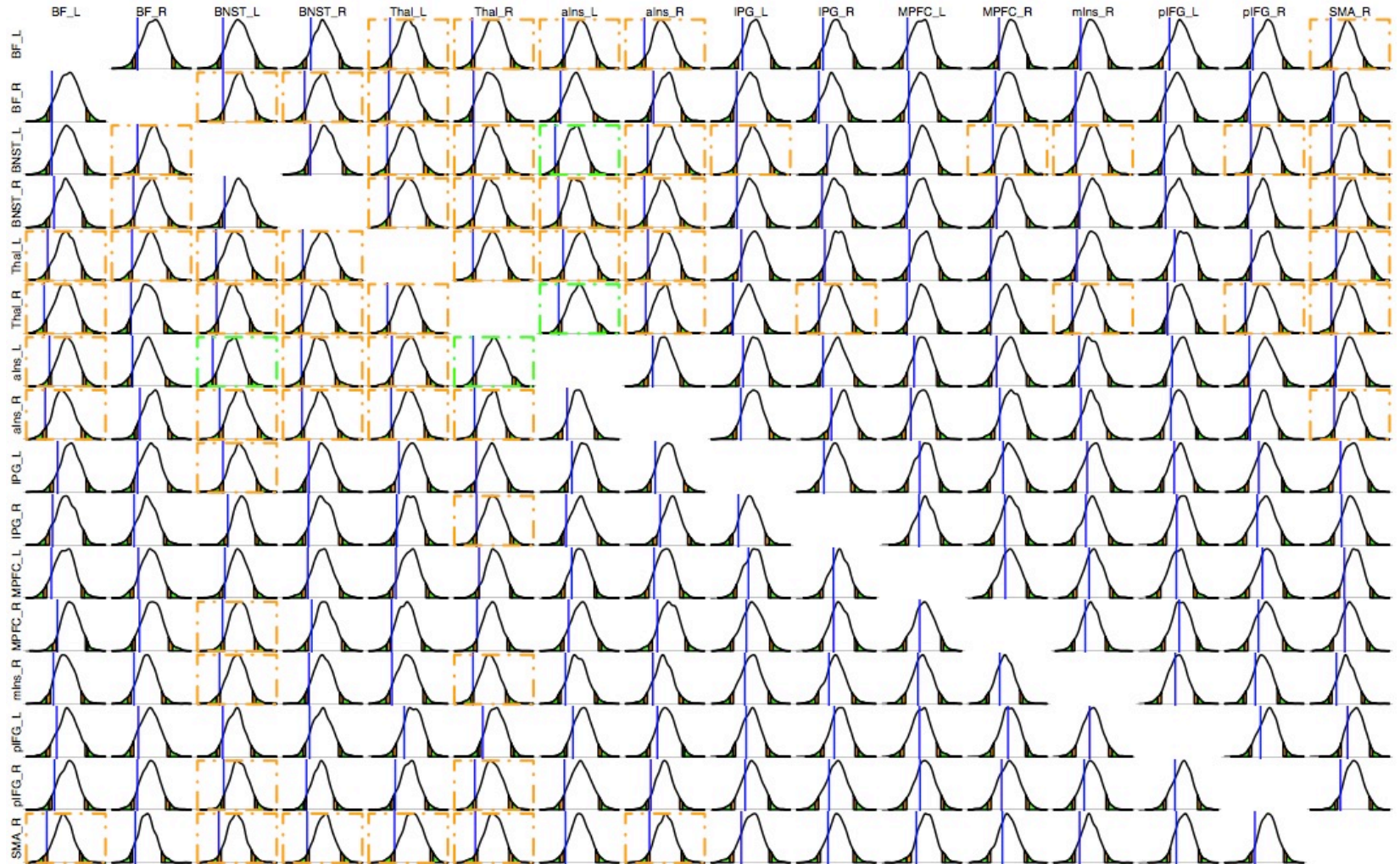


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IRC – RP effect from BML: full distributions

120 RPs

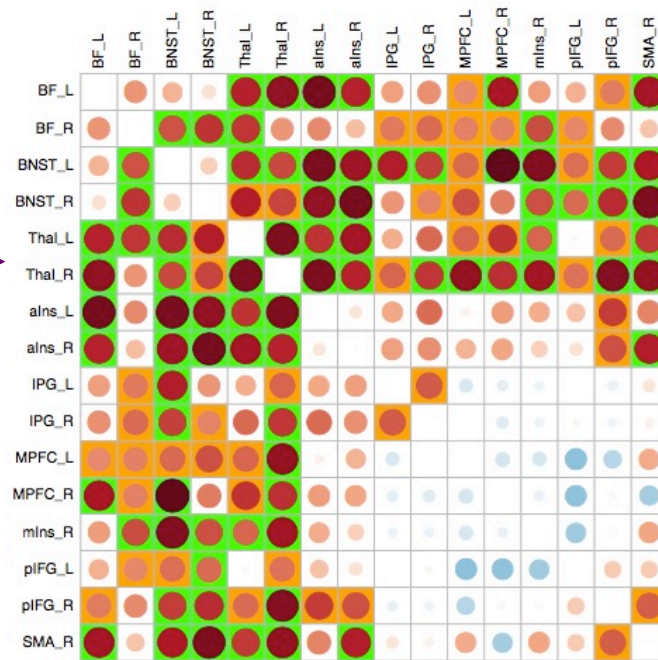
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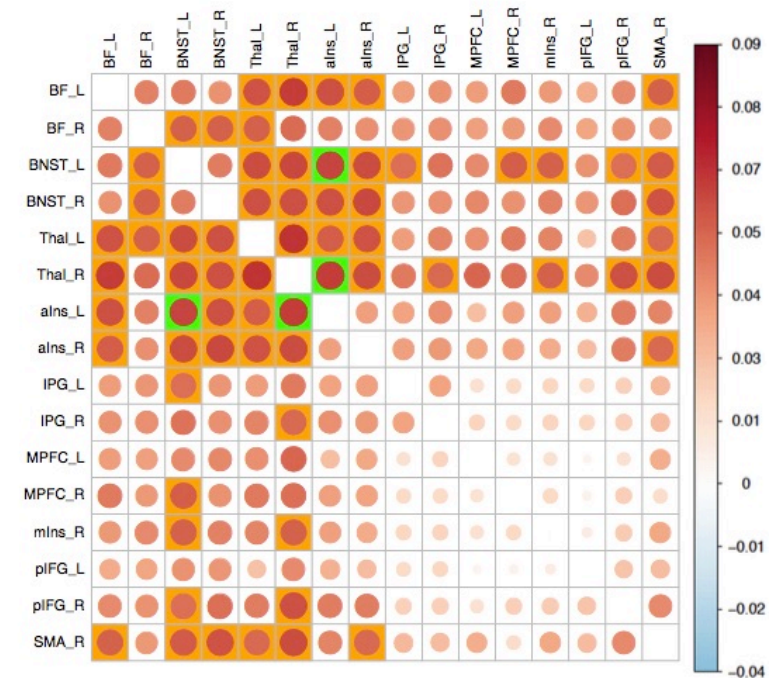
IRC- RP effect from BML

- ROI-based BML: 16 ROIs
- Full report for all region pairs (RPs)
- Comparisons with GLMs: **nothing hidden under sea level**
 - 63 RPs identified by GLMs with p of 0.05: **none survived** after correction with NBS via permutations
 - **33 RPs** with strong evidence under BML

GLM



BML



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BML: model validations

- ROI-based BML with IRD of 16

ROIs: cross-validation

- Leave-one-out information criterion (LOOIC)

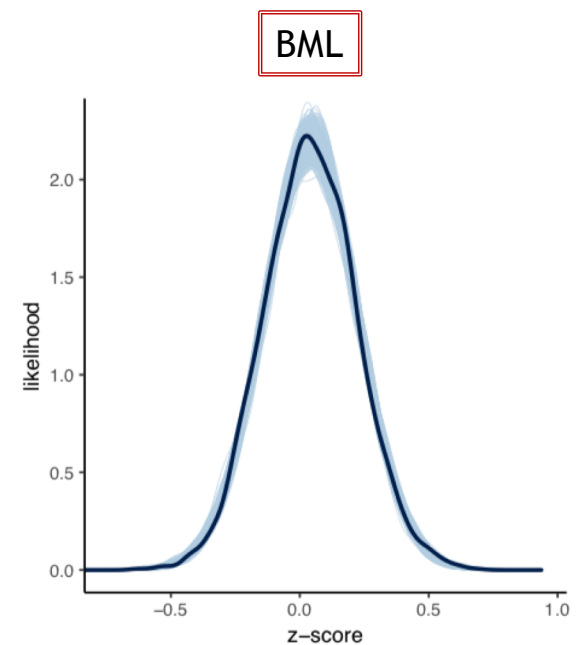
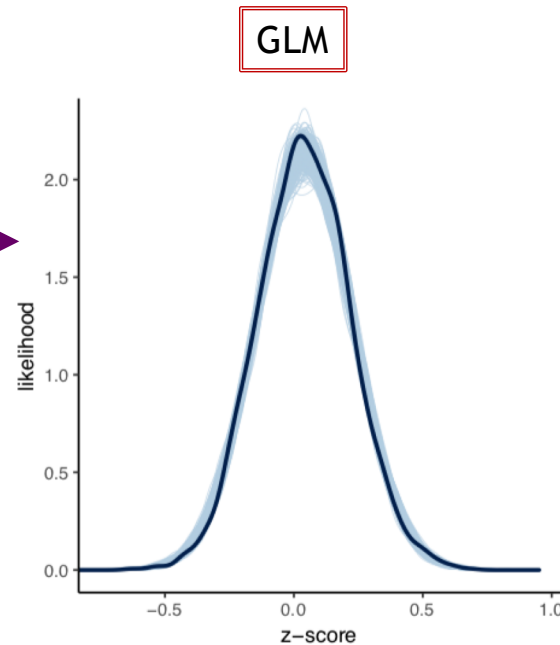
Cross-validation

Model	LOOIC	SE
GLM	-2808.31	101.65
BML0	-4543.77	102.97

- Posterior predictive checking

• Effects of BML

- Regularizing ROIs: don't fully trust individual ROI data
- Sacrificing fit at each ROI; achieving better overall fit



Summary

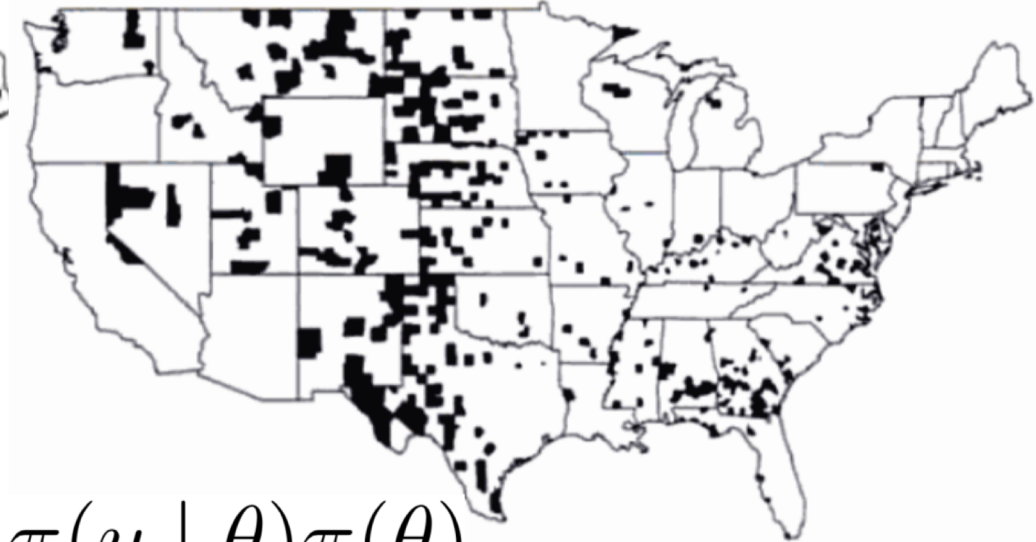
- **Multiplicity problems in neuroimaging**
- **Improved modeling from two perspectives**
 - Weirdness of p -value
 - Information waste and inefficient modeling
- **Application #1: region-based analysis (RBA)**
 - Task-related experiment or resting state (seed-based correlation analysis)Program available in **AFNI**: [BayesianGroupAna.py](#)
- **Application #2: matrix-based analysis (MBA)**
 - FMRI: inter-region correlation (IRC)
 - DTI: white matter properties (FA, MD, etc.)
 - Naturalistic scanning: Inter-subject correlation (ISC)Program available in **AFNI**: [MBA](#)

Keep Kidney Cancer in Mind!

- Kidney cancer distribution among counties

Highest rate

lowest rate



Calibration

$$\pi(\theta | y) = \frac{\pi(y | \theta)\pi(\theta)}{\pi(y)}$$

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