

# Visual Neuroscience Lab Publications

## 2023

Identification of dot clusters in a Gaussian-distributed field: The range of human perception and a comparison with spectral graph clustering



Cate, A. D. (2023) "Identification of dot clusters in a Gaussian-distributed field: The range of human perception and a comparison with spectral graph clustering." Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.

## 2021

The figural shape of 3D concave regions activates temporopolar cortex



Cate, A. D. (2021). "The figural shape of 3D concave regions activates temporopolar cortex." Vision Sciences Society Annual Meeting, St. Pete Beach, FL.

# 2019

YOU CAN'T PLAY 20 QUESTIONS WITH AN ALGORITHM  
AND WIN  
Anthony D. Cate, Ph.D.  
April 12, 2019

Link to reveal.js slideshow:

[You Can't Play 20 Questions with an Algorithm and Win](#)

PDF version:

[You can't play 20 questions with an algorithm and win: how to break deep networks productively.](#)

Cate, A. D. (2019). "You can't play 20 questions with an algorithm and win: how to break deep networks productively." Algorithms That Make You Think Workshop, Blacksburg, VA.

Link to reveal.js slideshow:

[Modeling enumeration](#)

# 2018

## Mathematics at Hand

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### Mathematics at Hand

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Martha Ann Bell, and Anthony Cate

The emerging field of mathematics educational neuroscience provides researchers with new approaches to understanding mathematical development, as well as mathematics itself. This paper focuses on the role of the hand in constructing mathematics through activity. We rely on Piaget's distinction of three levels of activity: sensorimotor activity, intellectual activity, and intellectual operations—to derive results from neuroscience studies. These distinctions and related neuroscience findings contribute to a new sense of mathematical embodiment. They also provide implications for mathematics instruction.

In a scene atop the Sistine Chapel, Adam languidly gestures a finger toward an eager God, who rides a clouded wave of cherubim to meet his touch (see Figure 1). Aside from theological implications of the work, scholars have speculated Michelangelo's intentions to convey insights into the human anatomy. Specifically, physician Frank Meshberger (1996) conjectured that "The Creation of Adam" depicts the human brain within God's cloak and that the small gap between the fingers of Adam and his maker represent a synapse within the brain—a conjecture supported by striking similarities between the human brain and the outline of the cloak, as well as the fact that Michelangelo rigorously studied the neural anatomy of children. The manner in which God delivers the spark seems especially appropriate in light of modern day neuroscience and

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Norton, A., Ulrich, C. L., Bell, M. A. & Cate, A. (2018). "Mathematics at Hand." *The Mathematics Educator* 27(1): 33–59.

## 2017

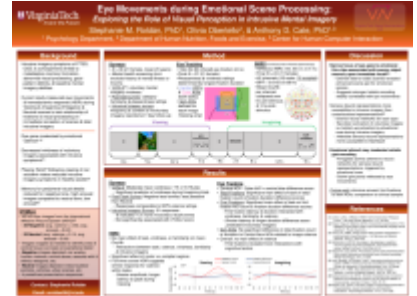
fMRI investigation of part-whole contingencies using 2-D shapes: A partial least squares analysis



Muralidharan, P. & Cate, A. D. (2017). "fMRI investigation of part-whole contingencies using 2-D shapes: A partial least squares analysis"

A partial least squares analysis." Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

## Eye Movements during Emotional Scene Processing: Exploring the Role of Visual Perception in Intrusive Mental Imagery

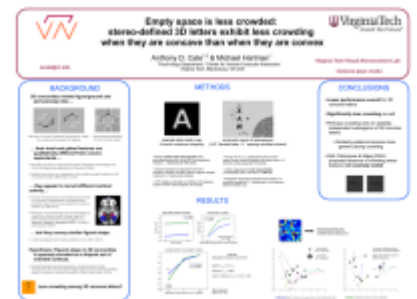


Roldán, S. M., Obertello, O. & Cate, A. D. (2017, May). "Eye Movements during Emotional Scene Processing: Exploring the Role of Visual Perception in Intrusive Mental Imagery." Vision Sciences Society Annual Meeting, St. Pete Beach, FL.

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## 2016

## Empty space is less crowded: stereo-defined 3D letters exhibit less crowding when they are concave than when they are convex



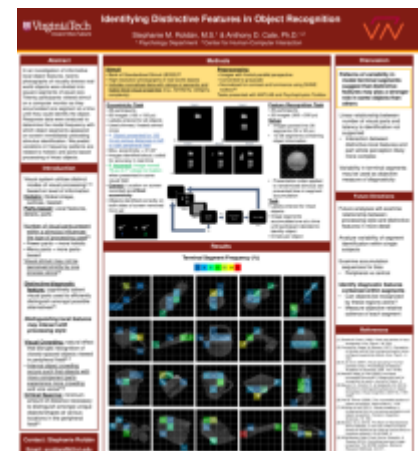
Cate, A. D. & Hartman, M. (2016). "Empty space is less crowded: stereo-defined 3D letters exhibit less crowding when they are concave than when they are convex." Vision Sciences Society Annual Meeting, St. Pete Beach, FL.

## Physical Size and Spatiotopic Cues Modulate Inverted Face Representation



Brown, J. M., Cate, A. (2016). Physical Size and Spatiotopic Cues Modulate Inverted Face Representation . Presented at the Cognitive Neuroscience Society Annual Meeting, New York, NY, USA.

## Identifying Distinctive Features in Object Recognition



Roldán, S. M. & Cate, A. D. (2016). "Identifying Distinctive Features in Object Recognition." Vision Sciences Society Annual Meeting, St. Pete Beach, FL.

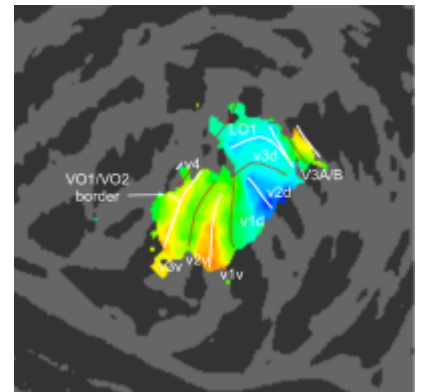
## Perceptual Organization in Parkinson's disease: The Role of the Basal ganglia in Shape-Based Object Recognition and Emotion Perception



Muralidharan, P. & Cate, A. D. (2016). "Perceptual Organization in Parkinson's disease: The Role of the Basal ganglia in Shape-Based Object Recognition and Emotion Perception." Vision Sciences Society Annual Meeting, St. Pete Beach, FL.

## 2015

Functional and anatomical properties of human visual cortical fields.



Zhang, S., Cate, A. D., Herron, T. J., Kang, X., Yund, E. W., Bao, S., & Woods, D. L. (2015). Functional and anatomical properties of human visual cortical fields. *Vision Research*, 109, Part A, 107-121.

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Concurrent fMRI analysis of part-whole structure and subjective object norms for items from the BOSS (Bank of Standardized Stimuli) data set.



Cate, A., & Roldán, S. M. (2015). Concurrent fMRI analysis of part-whole structure and subjective object norms for items from the BOSS (Bank of Standardized Stimuli) data set. Presented at the Vision Sciences Society Annual Meeting, St. Pete Beach, FL.

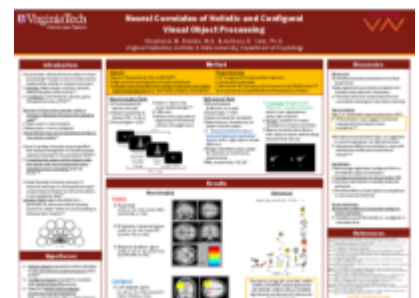
## 2014

Human cortical visual pathways for the perception of figural shapes that violate Gestalt principles: fMRI of 3D concave shape from stereopsis.



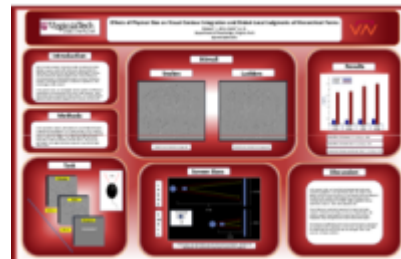
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Neural correlates of holistic and configural visual object processing.



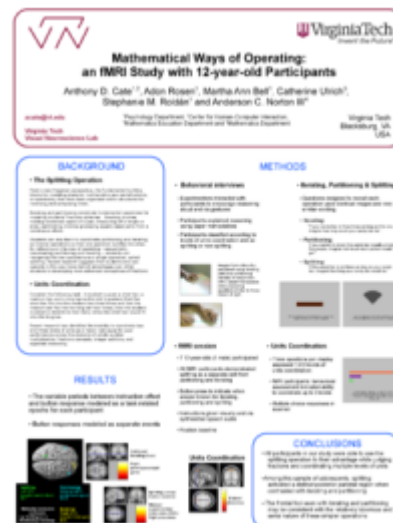
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Effects of physical size on visual contour integration and global-local judgments of hierarchical forms.



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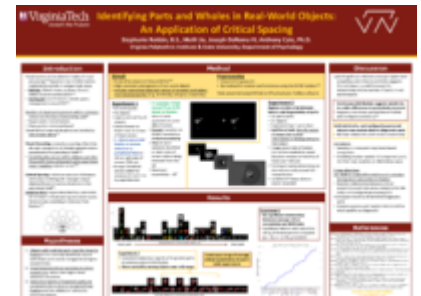
Mathematical Ways of Operating: an fMRI Study with 12-year-old participants.



Cate, A. D., Rosen, A., Bell, M. A., Ulrich, C., Roldán, S. M., & Norton, A. (2014). Mathematical Ways of Operating: an fMRI Study with 12-year-old participants. Presented at the Organization for Human Brain Mapping Annual Meeting, Hamburg, Germany.

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## Identifying Parts and Wholes in Real-World Objects: An Application of Critical Spacing



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## Spatial grouping and visual enumeration performance: signal detection analysis.



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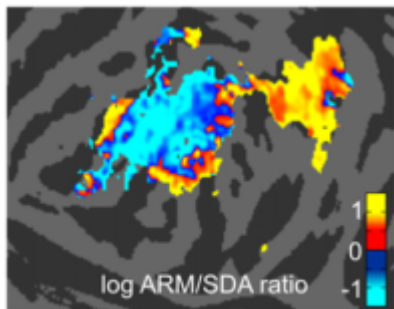


## [Spatial and semantic memory for kinesthetic learning in large-scale visual displays.](#)


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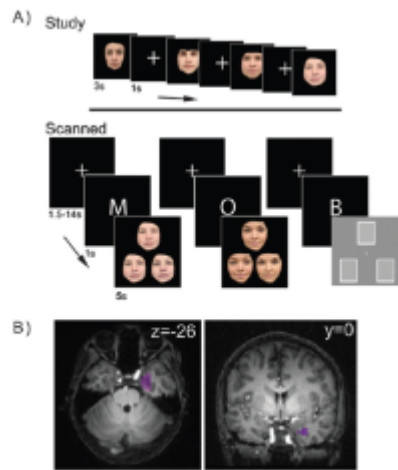
**Combined Hemispheres**

 Cate, Herron et al. 2012

## [Intermodal attention modulates visual processing in dorsal and ventral streams.](#)

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O'Neil, Protzner et al. 2012

Distinct patterns of functional and effective connectivity between perirhinal cortex and other cortical regions in recognition memory and perceptual discrimination.

O'Neil, E. B., Protzner, A. B., McCormick, C., McLean, D. A., Poppenk, J., Cate, A. D., & Köhler, S. (2012). Distinct patterns of functional and effective connectivity between perirhinal cortex and other cortical regions in recognition memory and perceptual discrimination. *Cerebral Cortex* (New York, N.Y.: 1991), 22(1), 74–85. <http://doi.org/10.1093/cercor/bhr075>



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Hemispherically-Unified Surface Maps of Human Cerebral Cortex: Reliability and Hemispheric Asymmetries.

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[Cortical surface-based meta-analysis of human visuotopic regions from published stereotaxic coordinates.](#)

Cate, A., Herron, T., Kang, X., & Woods, D. (2012). Cortical surface-based meta-analysis of human visuotopic regions from published stereotaxic coordinates. Presented at the Vision Sciences Society Annual Meeting, Naples, FL. In *Journal of Vision* (Vol. 12, pp. 523–523). Naples, FL. <http://doi.org/10.1167/12.9.523>

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**2011**



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The role of apparent size in building- and object-specific regions of ventral visual cortex.

Cate, A. D., Goodale, M. A., & Köhler, S. (2011). The role of apparent size in building- and object-specific regions of ventral visual cortex. *Brain Research*, 1388, 109–122.

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Phonological processing in human auditory cortical fields.

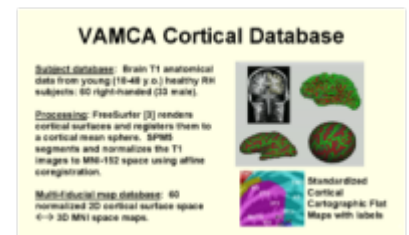
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## VAMCA: A toolbox for the visualization and metaanalysis of functional organization of the cortex using an anatomical database.

Herron, T. J., Cate, A. D., Kang, X., & Woods, D. L. (2011). VAMCA: A toolbox for the visualization and metaanalysis of functional organization of the cortex using an anatomical database. Presented at the 4th INCF Congress of Neuroinformatics, Boston, MA. In *Frontiers in Neuroinformatics*. Boston, MA. <http://doi.org/10.3389/conf.fninf.2011.08.00107>

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[Perceiving parts and shapes from concave surfaces.](#)

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[Functional properties of human auditory cortical fields.](#)

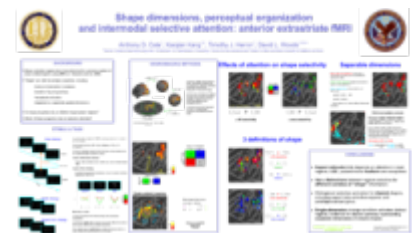
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[Divergence modeling: Analyzing perceptual representations via stimulus similarity and information theory.](#)

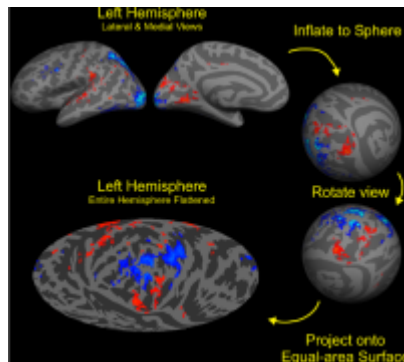
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[Shape dimensions, perceptual organization and intermodal selective attention: anterior extrastriate fMRI.](#)

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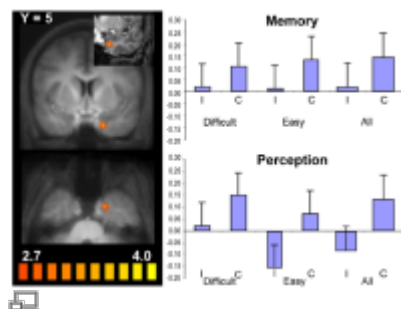


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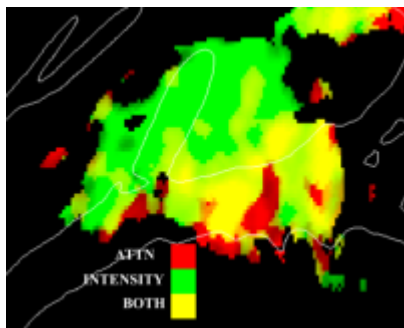


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### Perirhinal Cortex Contributes to Accuracy in Recognition Memory and Perceptual Discriminations.

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### Functional maps of human auditory cortex: effects of acoustic features and attention.

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Cate & Behrmann 2002

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