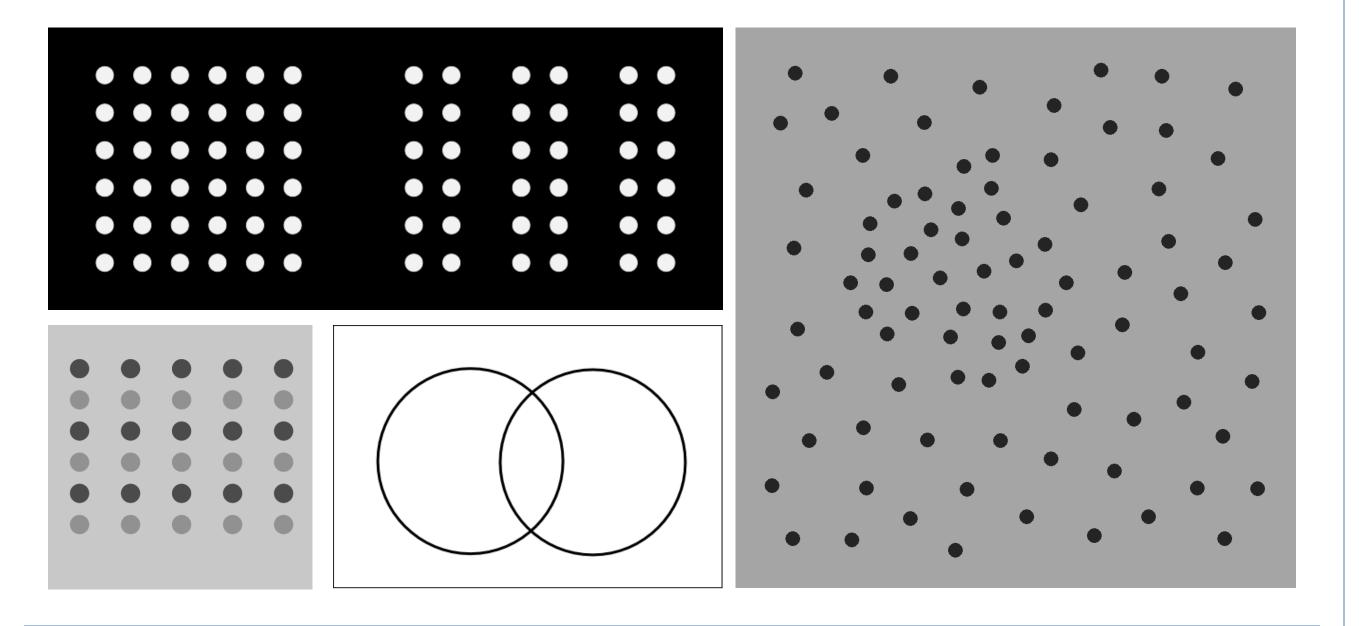
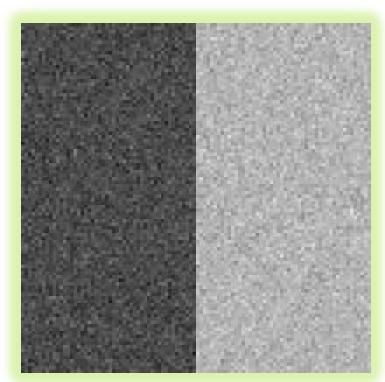


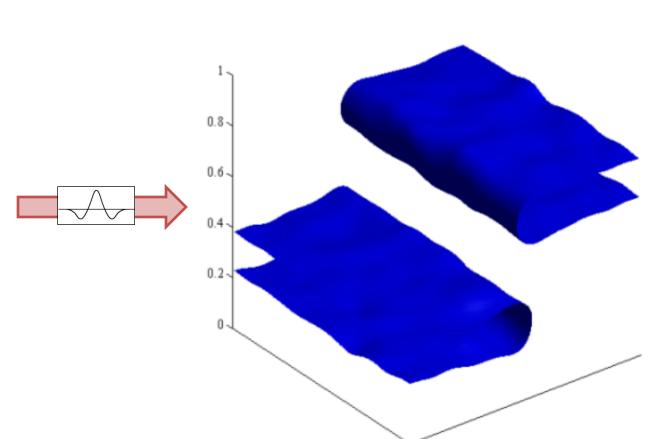
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# The Model





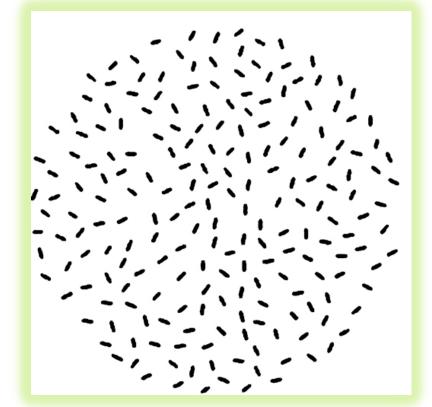
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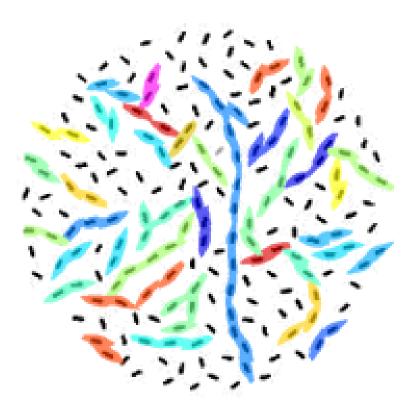
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Increasing spatial blur transitions from letters to words to sentences to paragraphs

# **Grouping by Orientation**



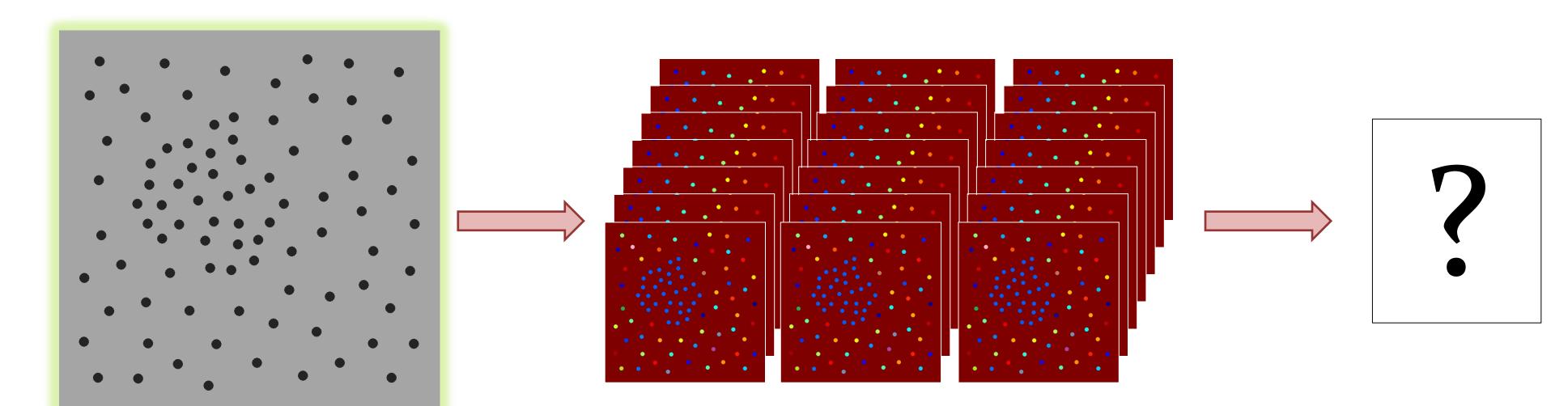




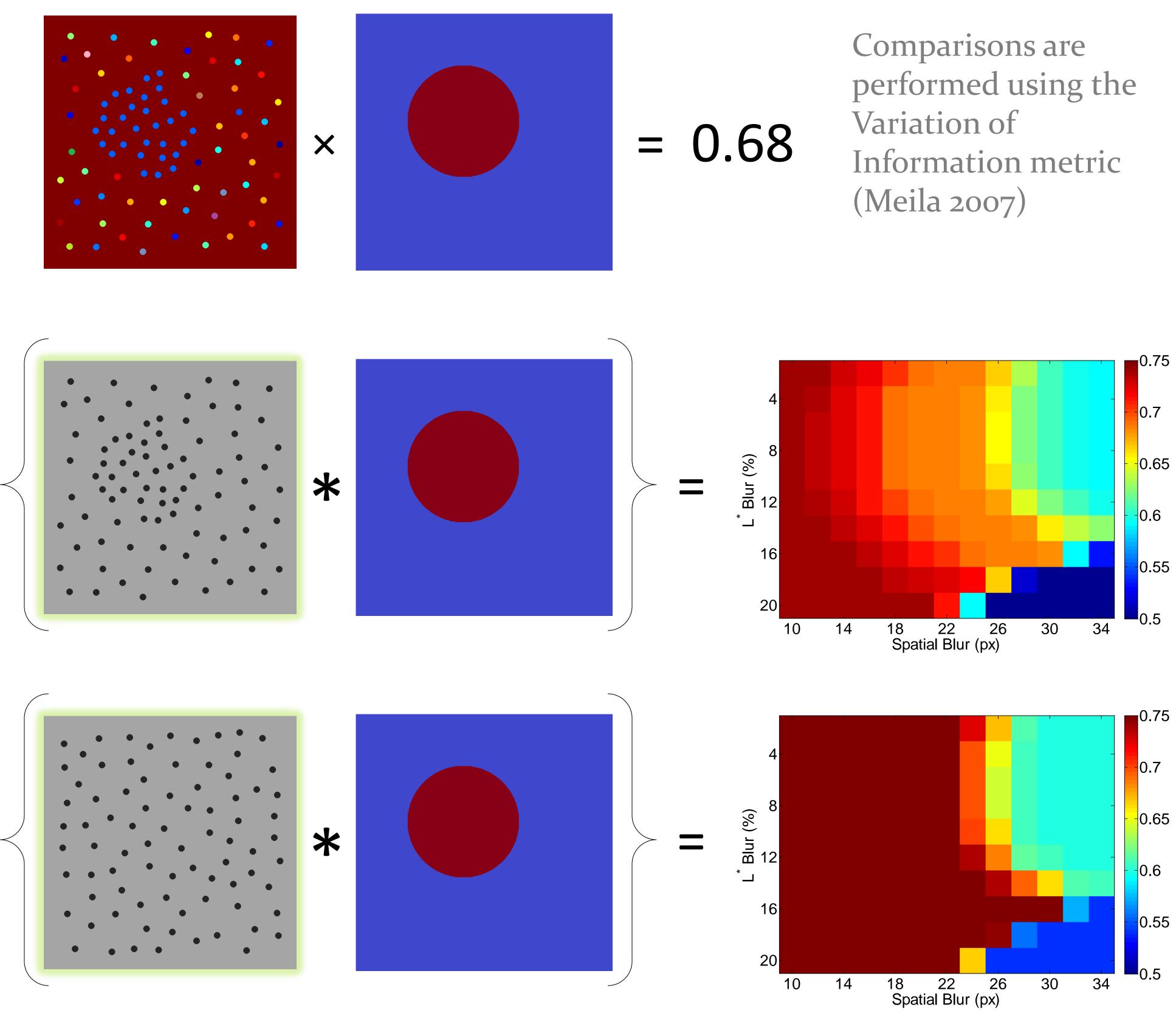
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# An Intuitive Model Framework for Gestalt Grouping Principles Nathaniel Twarog and Ruth Rosenholtz

# From Model to Decision



Solution: compare output segmentations with a "hypothesis," represented by a canonical segmentation



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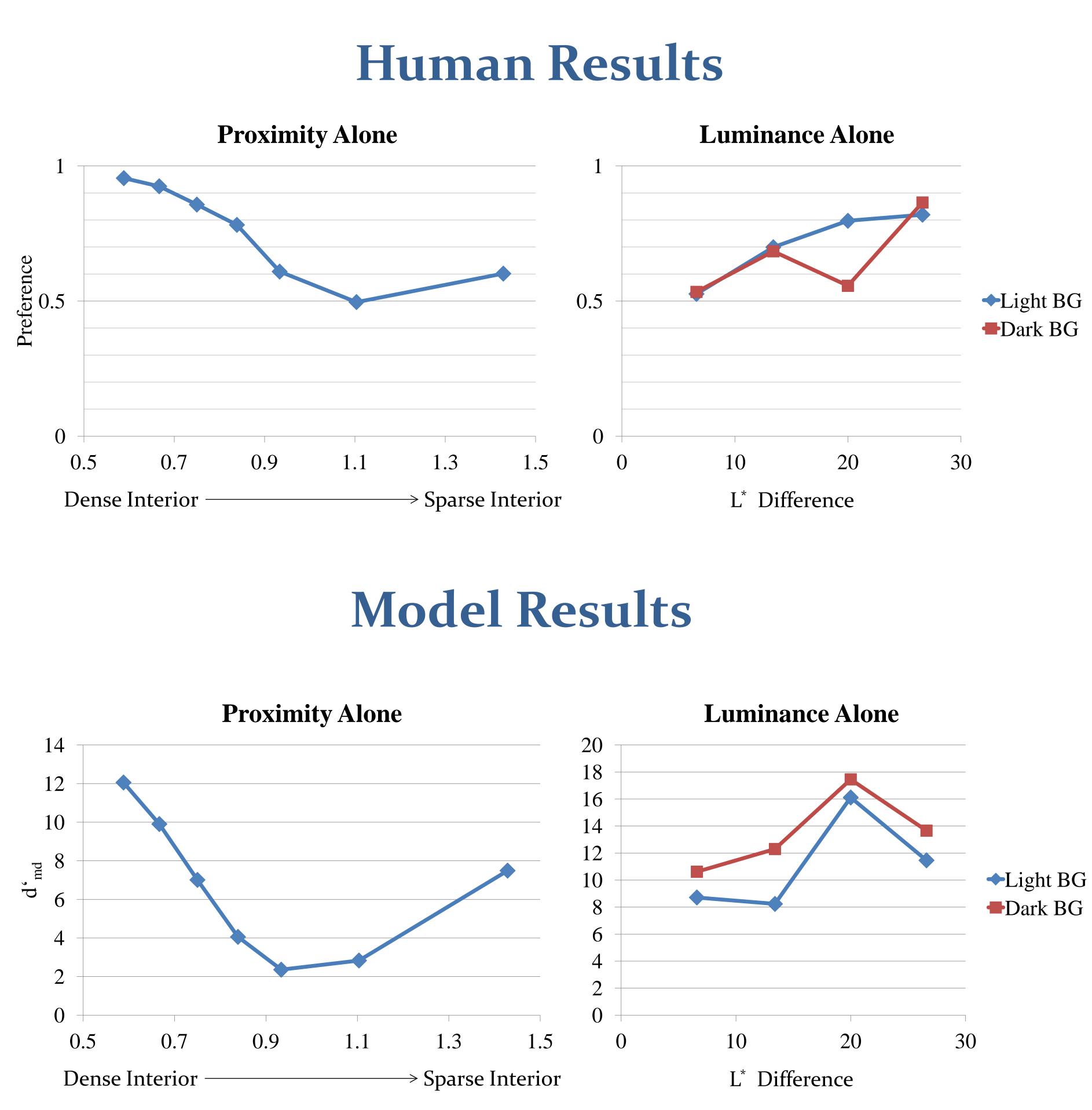
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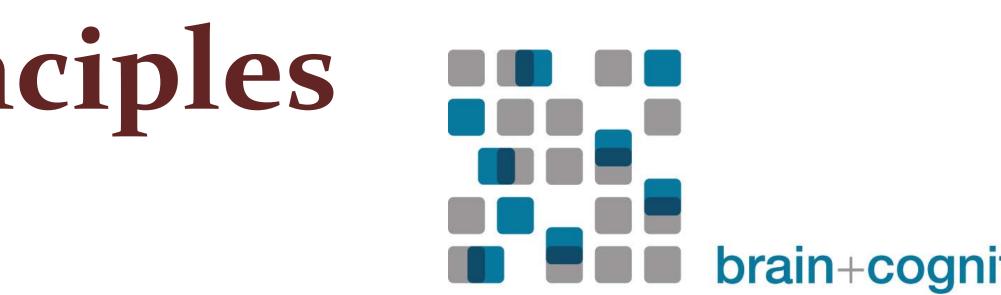


- 2-Alternative Forced Choice - Images presented serially for 200 ms each (400 ms ISI) - Clusters were characterized by proximity alone, luminance alone or both - 19 subjects (13 male, 6 female)



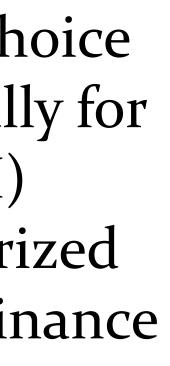
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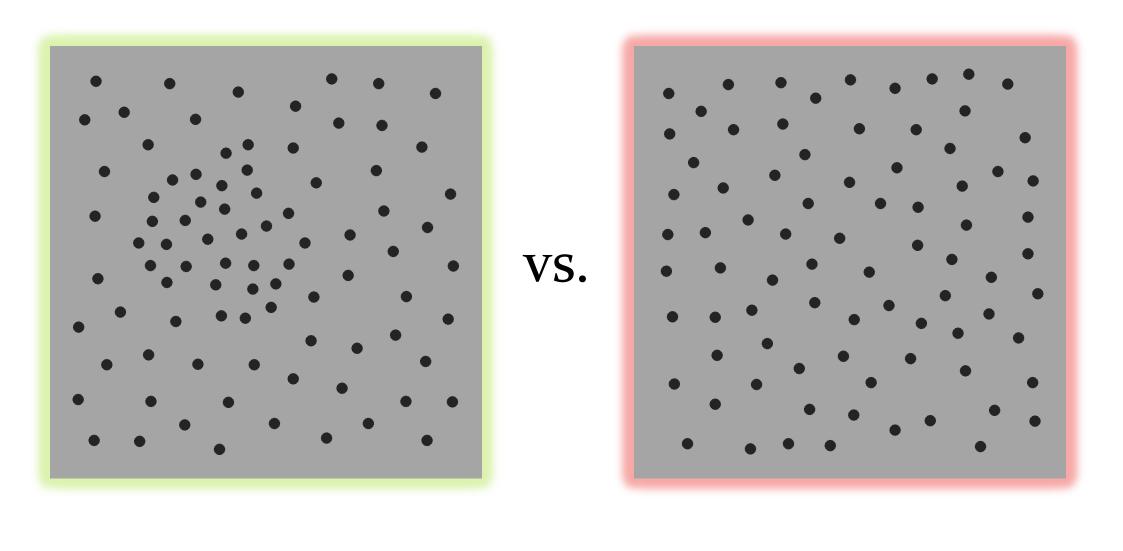
The method described here effectively converts the rich output of our model framework to hypothesis-dependent vectors which can be analyzed in comparison with human data. Applying this method to the above experiment replicated much of the grouping behavior of human subjects.



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# **Putting It to the Test**





# Conclusion