

# Depth perception

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# Cues used for coding depth in the brain

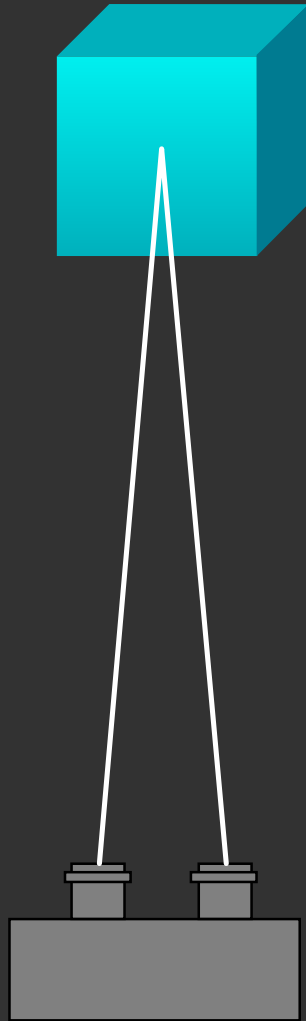
## Oculomotor cues

## Visual cues

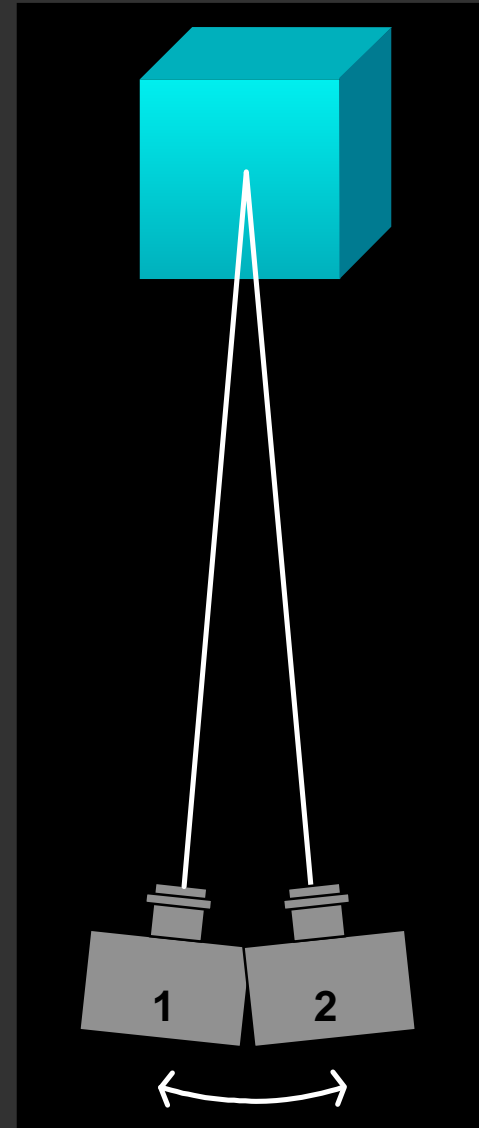
accommodation vergence	<i>Binocular</i>  stereopsis
	<i>Monocular</i>  motion parallax shading interposition size perspective

# Stereopsis, basic facts and demos

# Two simple methods for creating stereo images



stereo camera



swiveled regular camera



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## Autostereogram from Magic Eye

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Please see lecture video or the autostereogram from *The Magic Eye, Volume I: A New Way of Looking at the World*. Andrews McMeel Publishing, 1993.

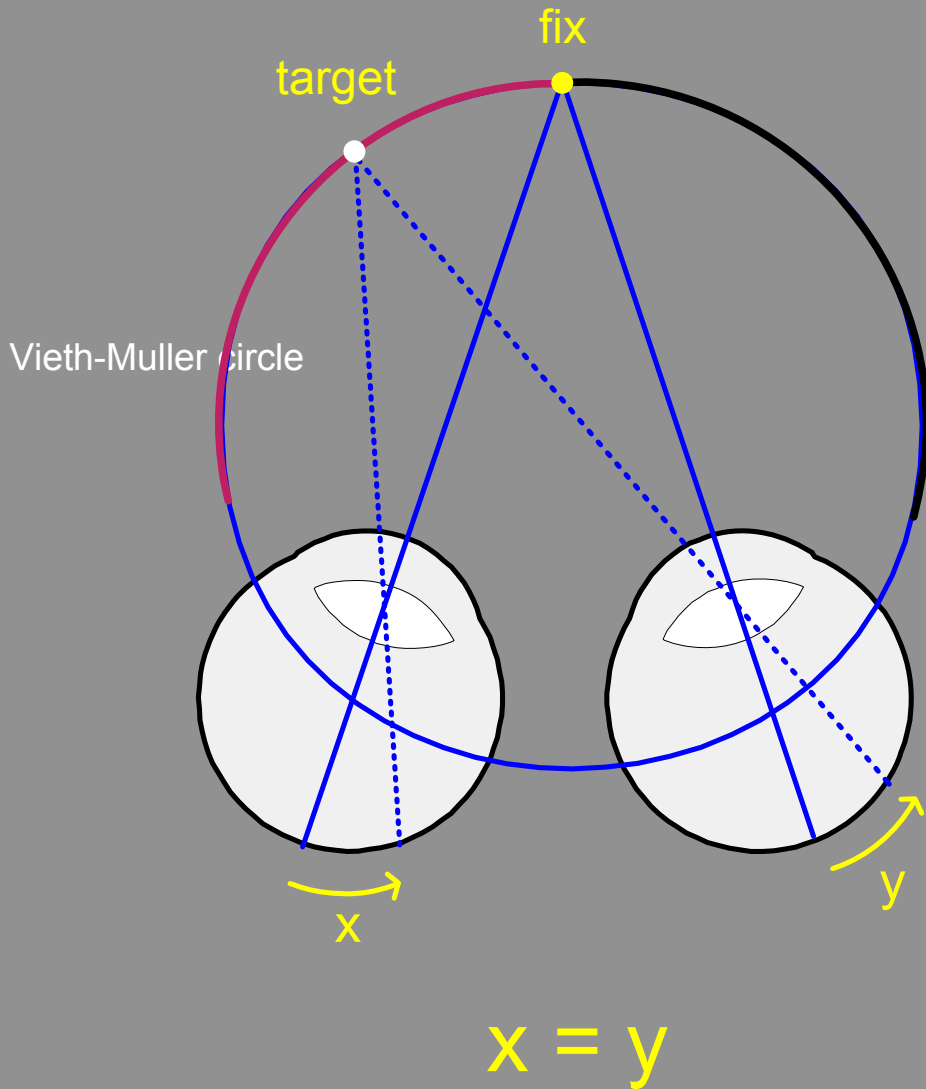
Autostereograms: see Howard and Rogers, *Depth Perception*, Vol 2, pp. 549-556.

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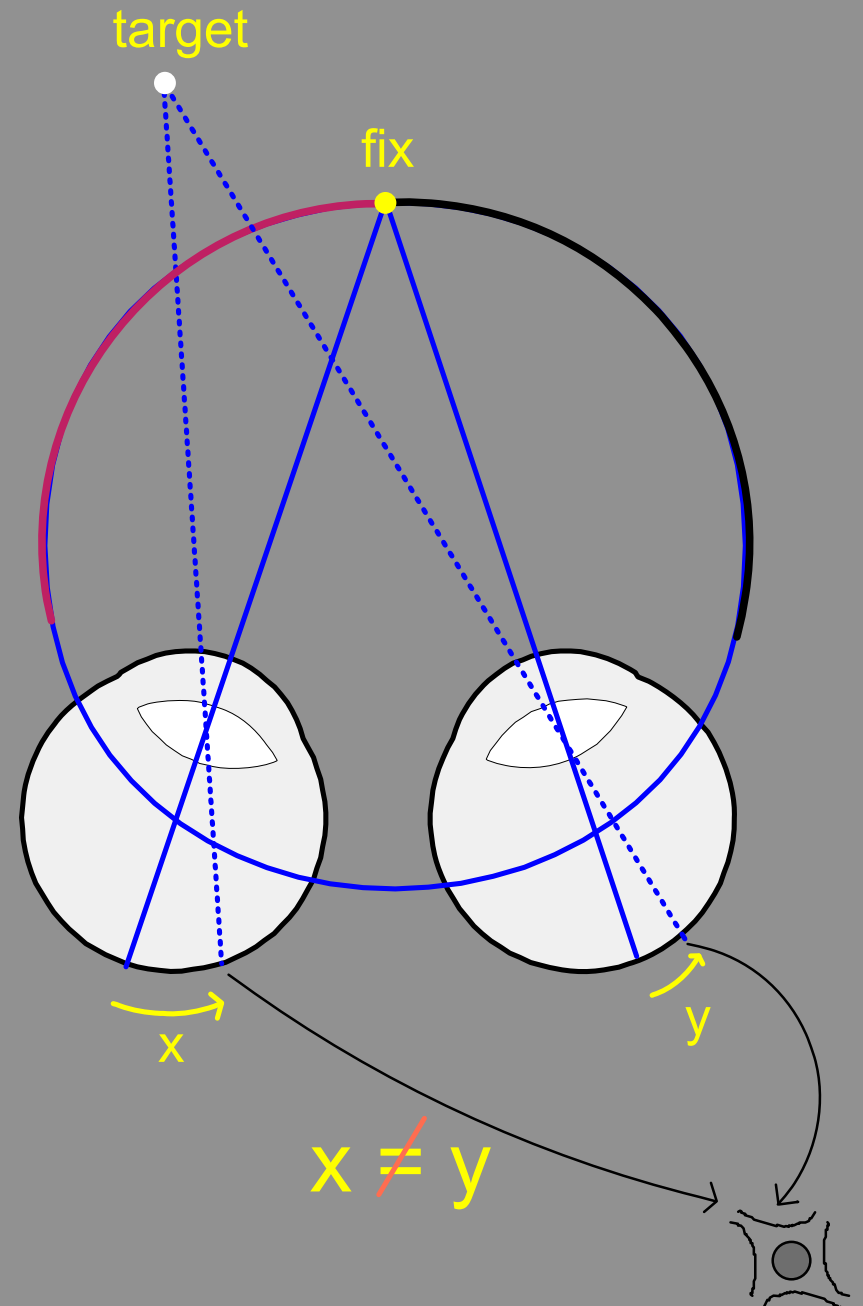


# Retinal disparity utilized for stereopsis

Target hits corresponding retinal points

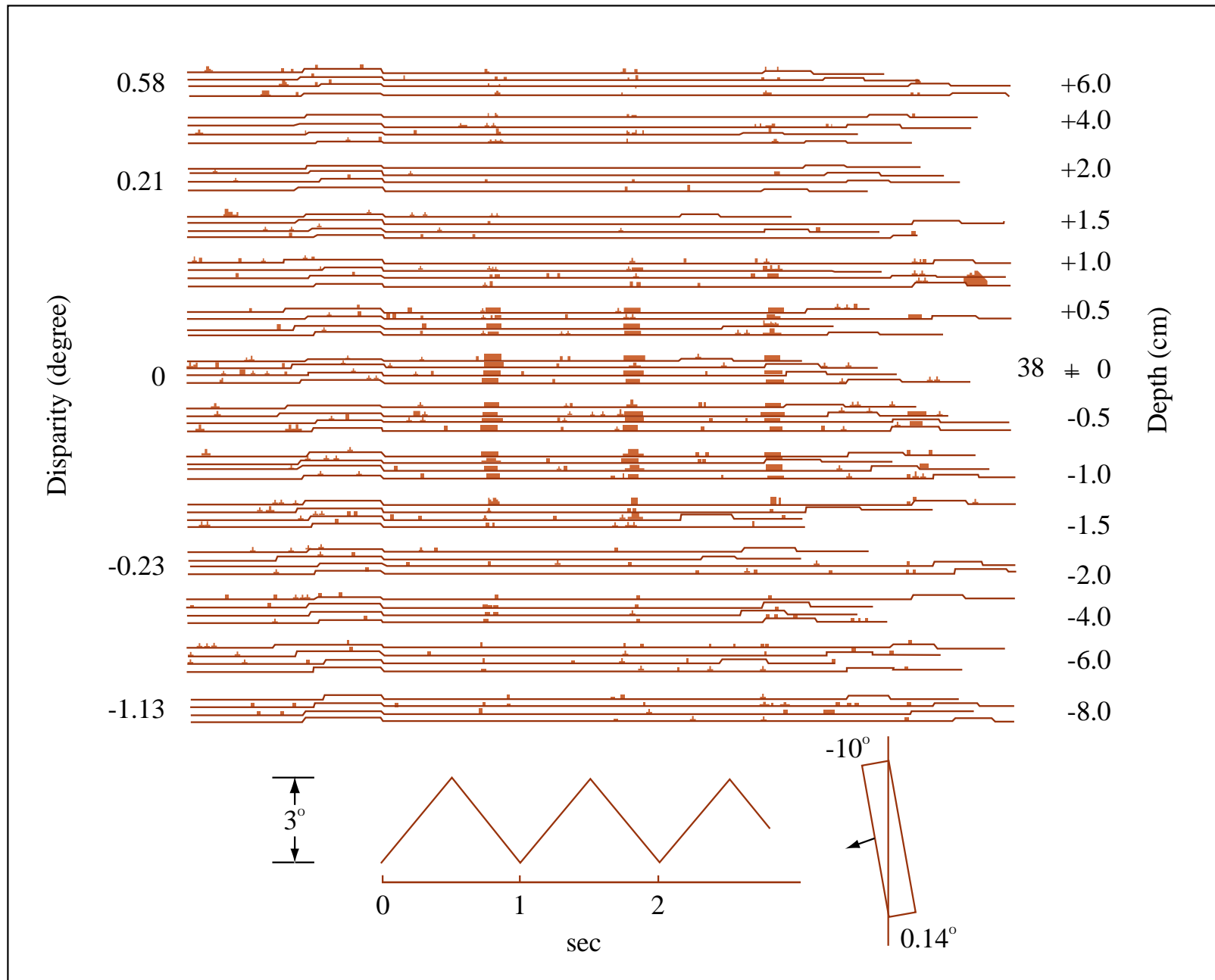


Target hits non-corresponding retinal points



# Stereopsis, neuronal responses

# V1 cell response to drifting bars at varied stereo depths



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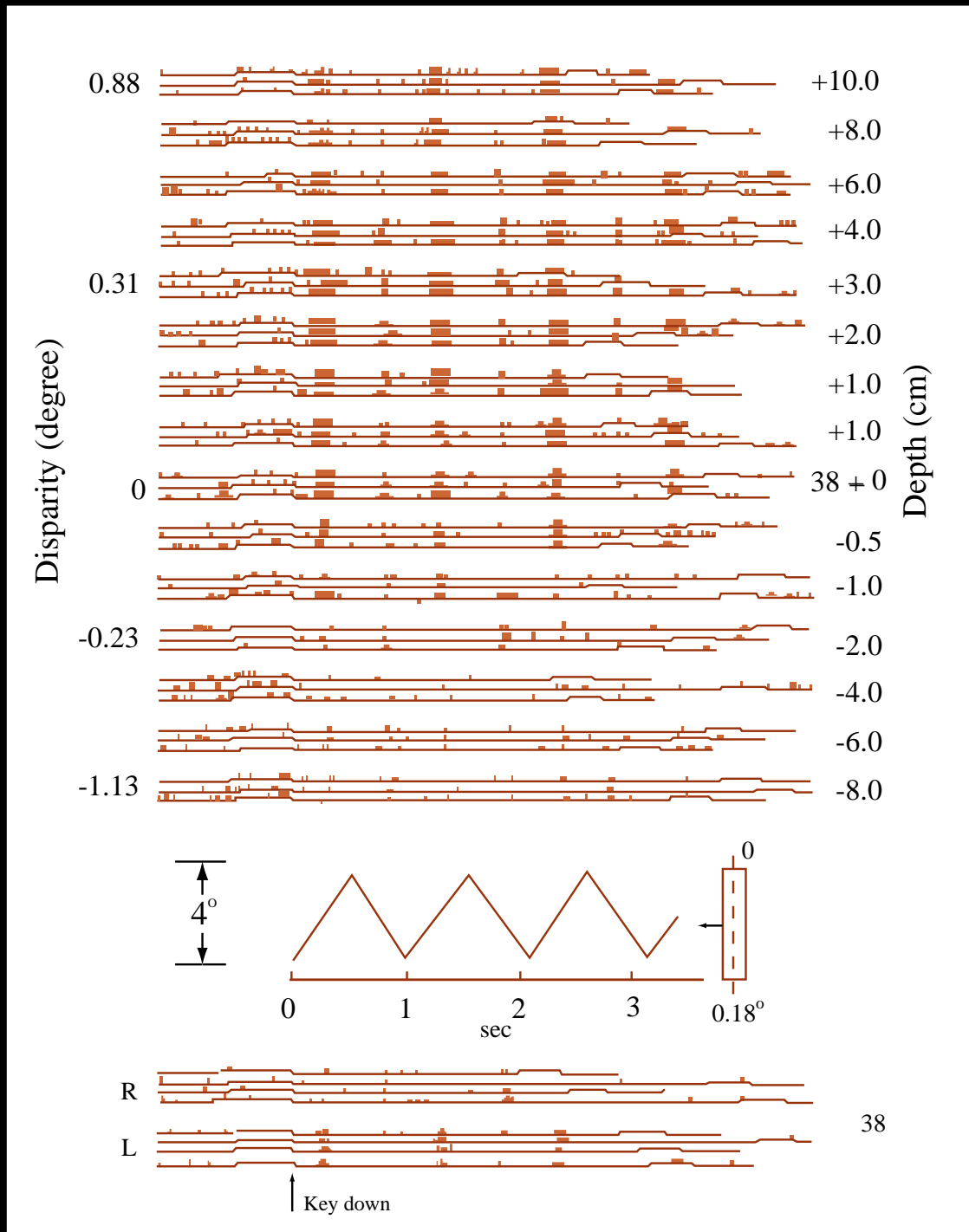
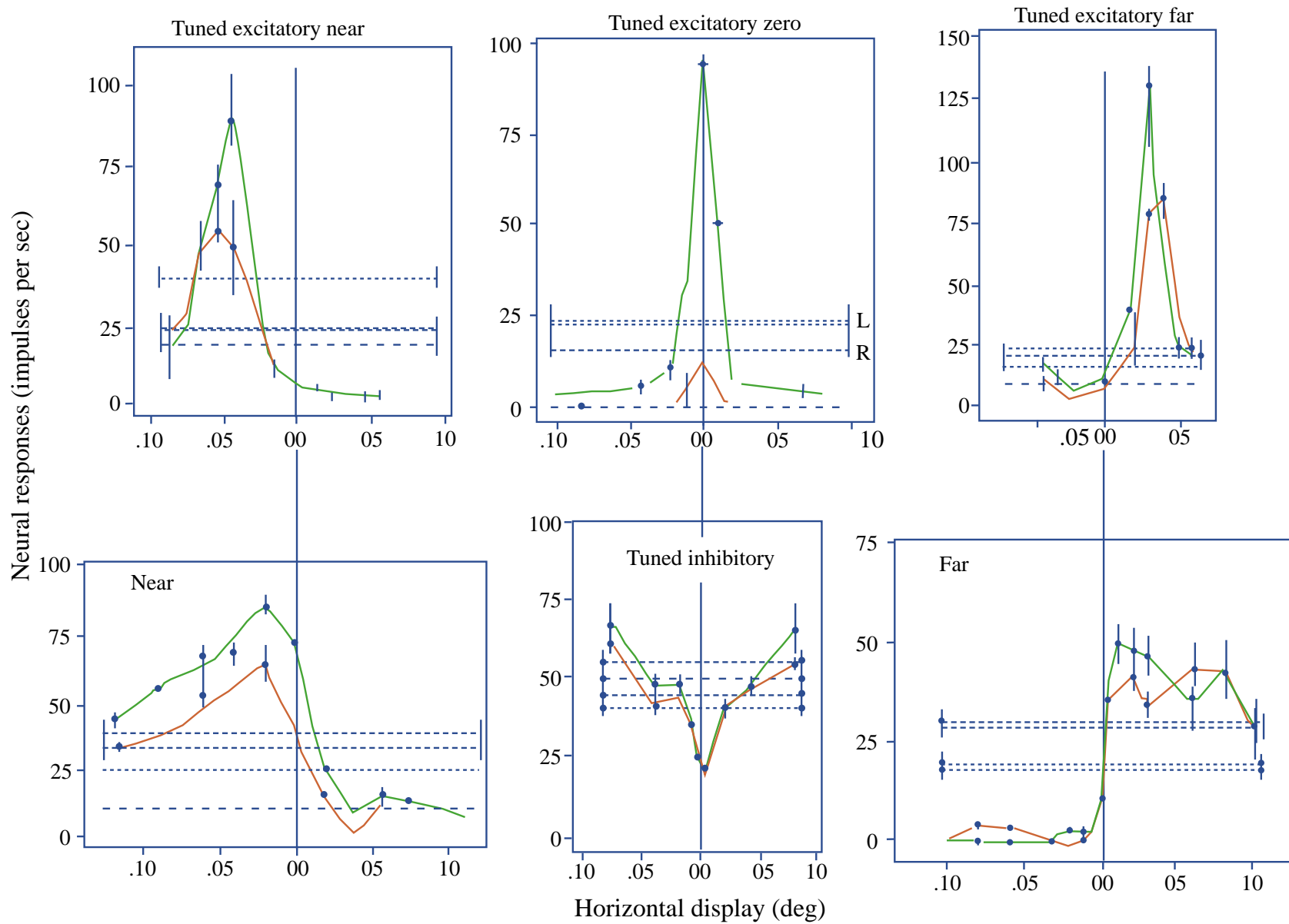


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# Basic cell types for stereo



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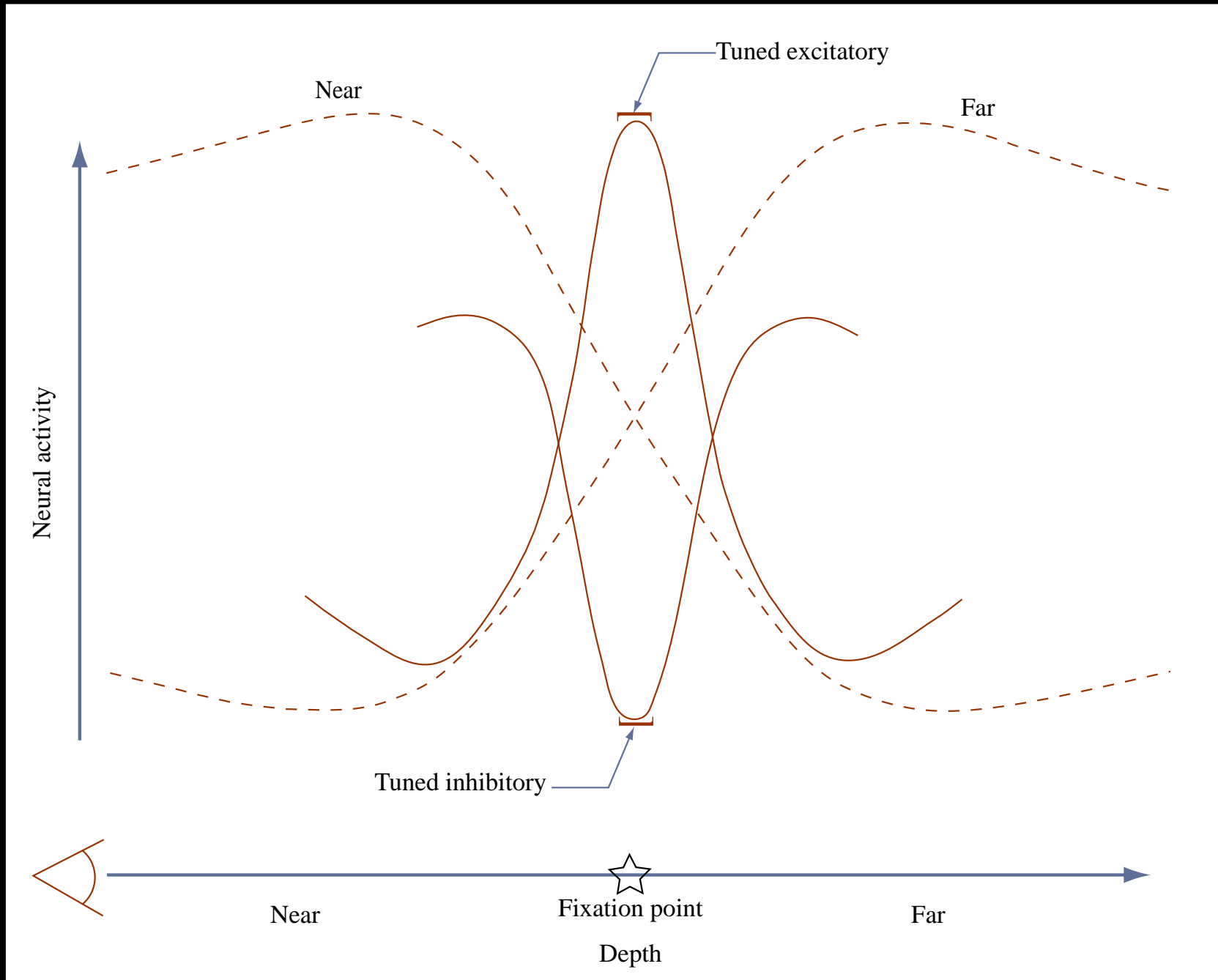


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# The effects of V4 and MT lesions on stereoscopic depth perception

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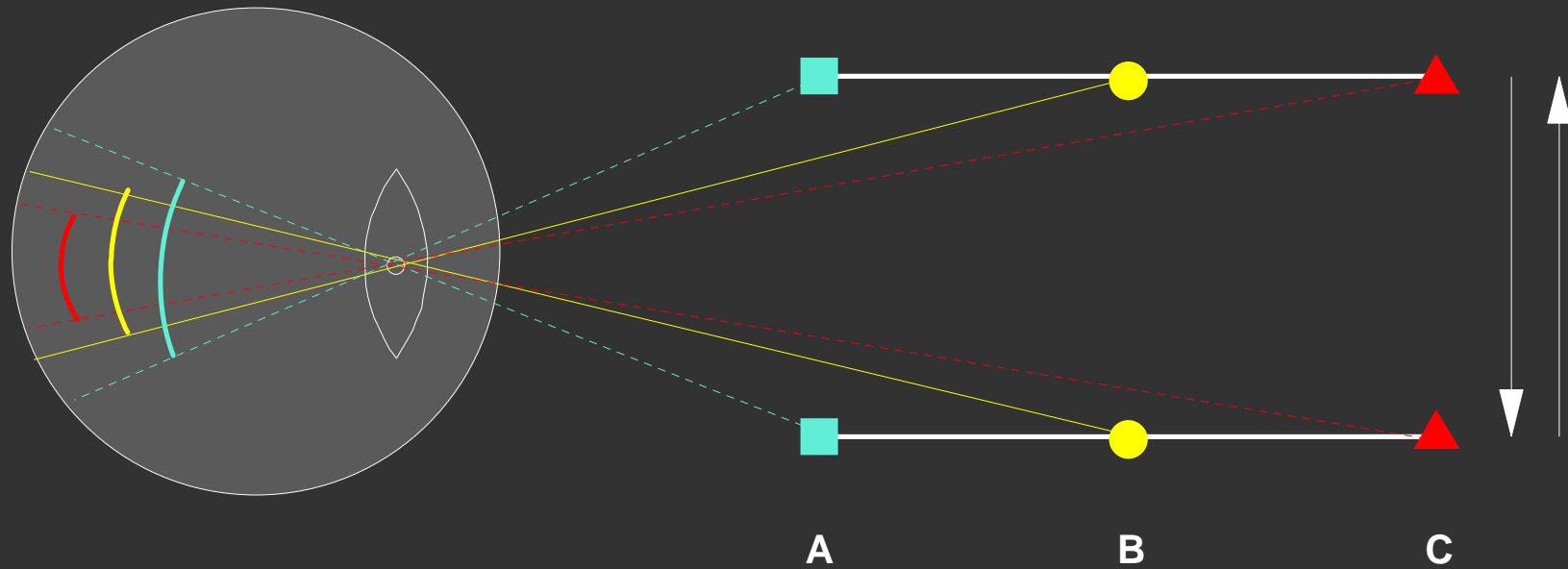
# Stereopsis

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# Motion parallax

# MOTION PARALLAX, the eye is stationary

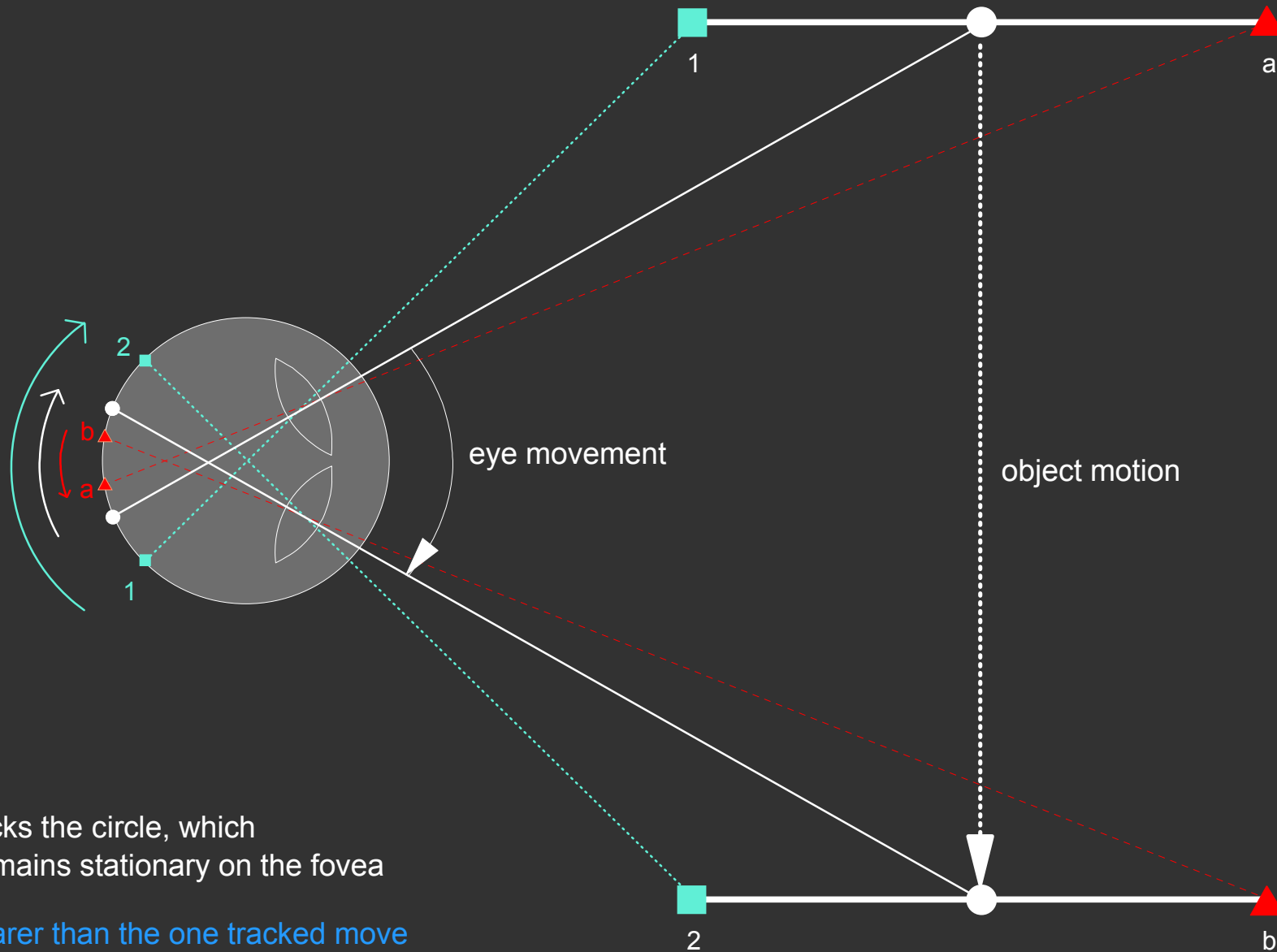


Velocity of motion:

A fastest, C slowest, creating velocity gradient

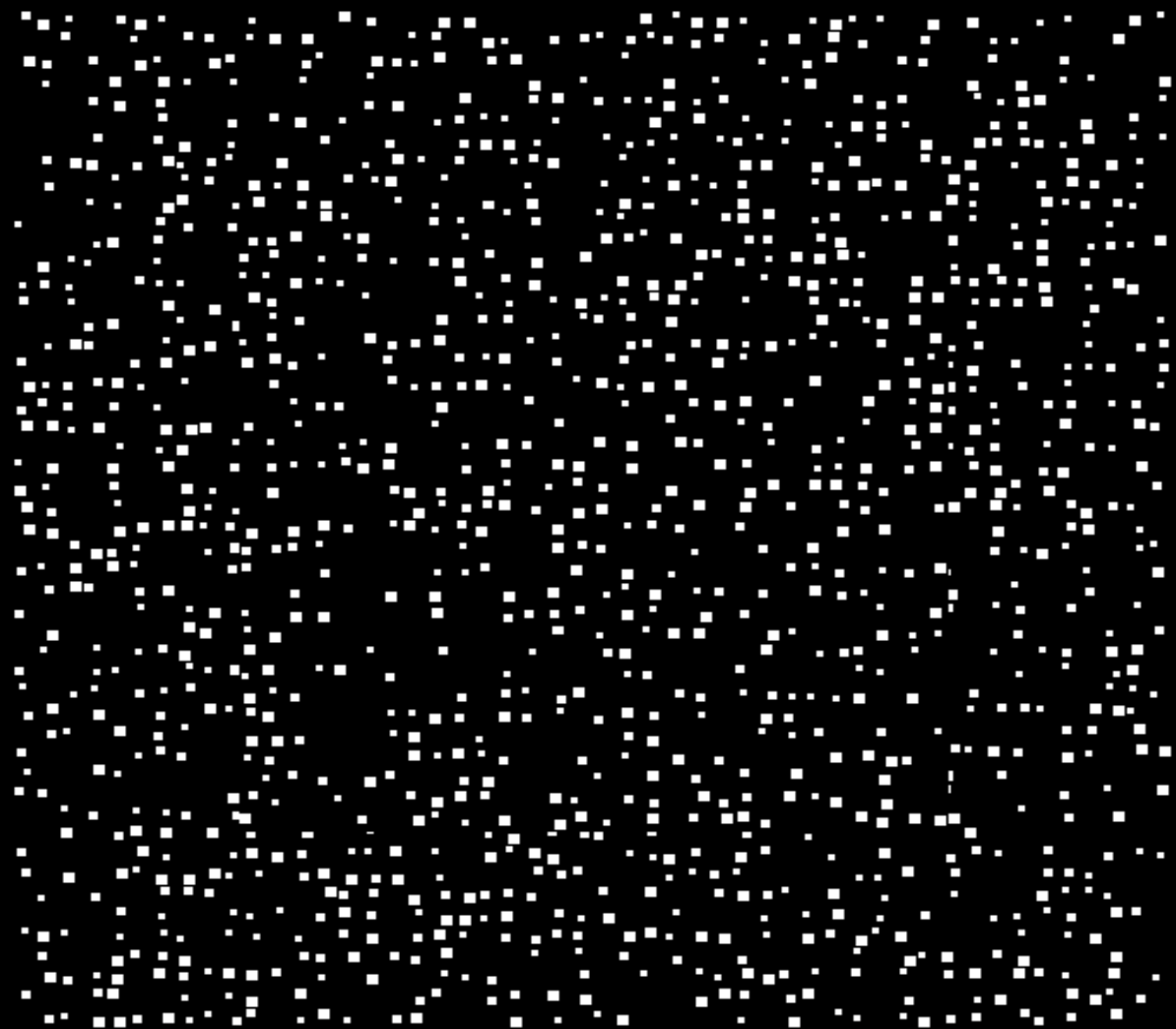
With rigidity constraint highest relative velocity is judged to be closest

# MOTION PARALLAX, the eye tracks



The eye tracks the circle, which therefore remains stationary on the fovea

Objects nearer than the one tracked move at greater velocities on the retinal surface than objects further; the further objects actually move in the opposite direction on the retina.



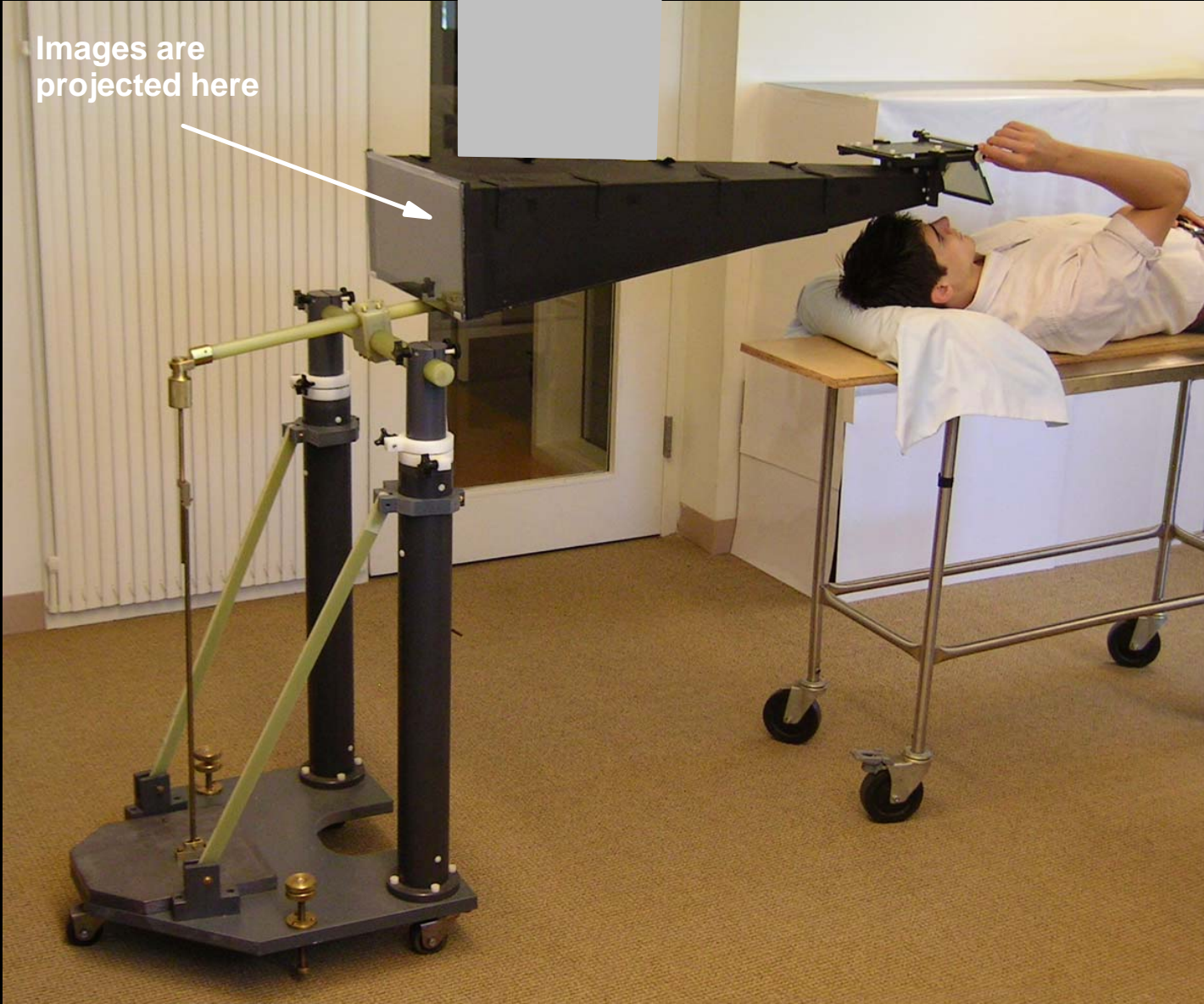
# Motion parallax

To derive depth information from motion parallax neurons are needed that provide information about velocity and direction of motion and perhaps also about **differential** motion.

The majority of cells in V1 are direction and velocity selective. Some appear also to be selective for differential motion.

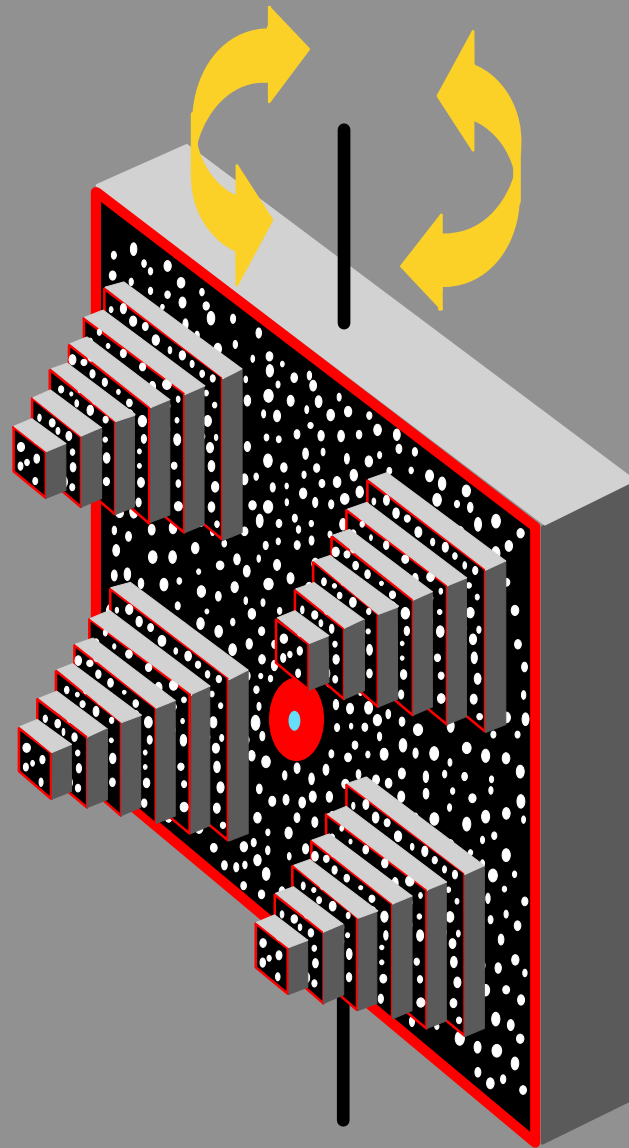
Cells that process motion parallax have also been found in MT.

# Brain activation by stereopsis and motion parallax in normal and stereoblind subjects with fMRI



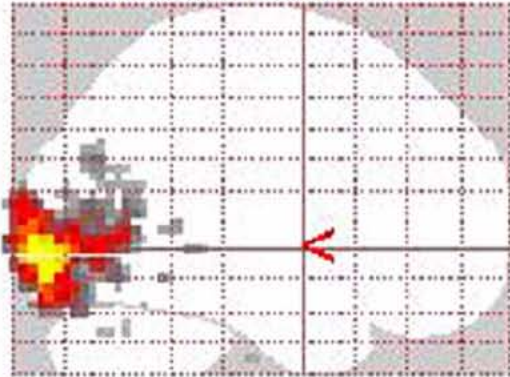
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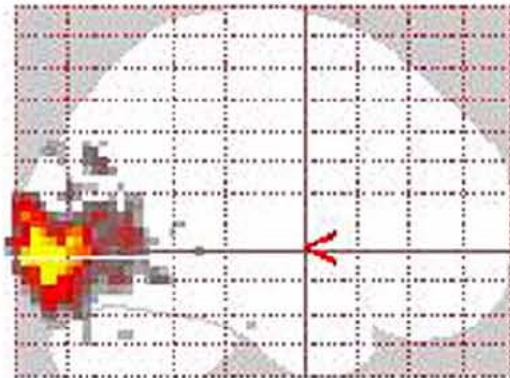


## Normal subject

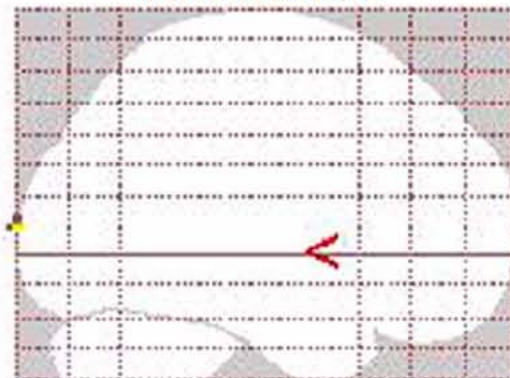
Binocular, motion parallax



Binocular, stereo

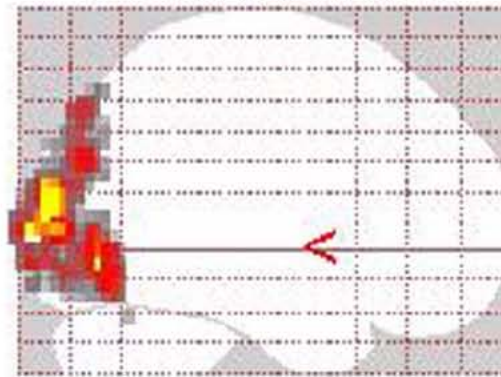


Monocular, stereo

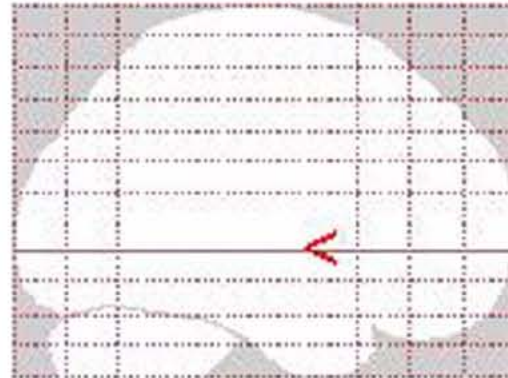


## Stereoblind subject

Binocular, motion parallax



Binocular, stereo

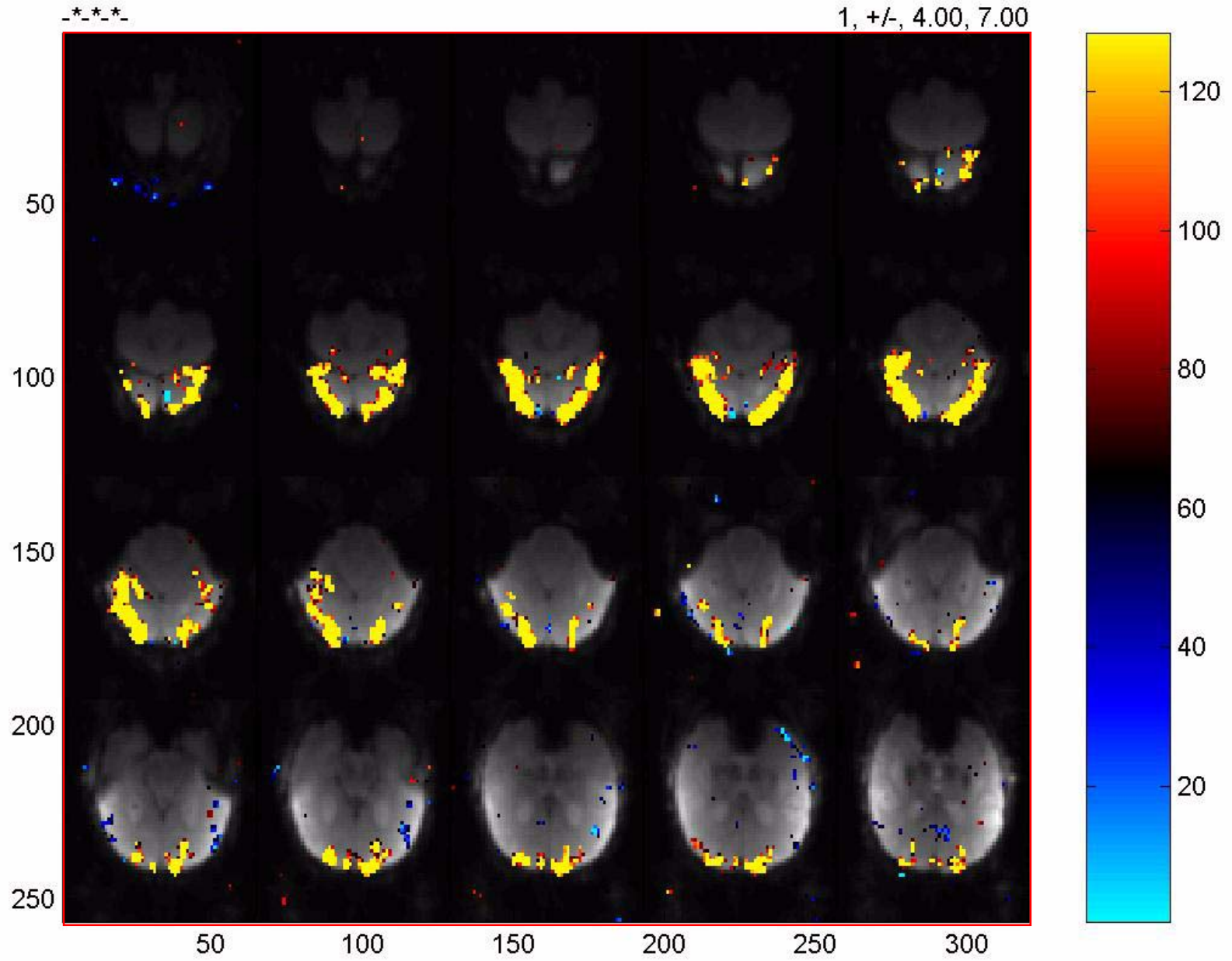


Four conditions:

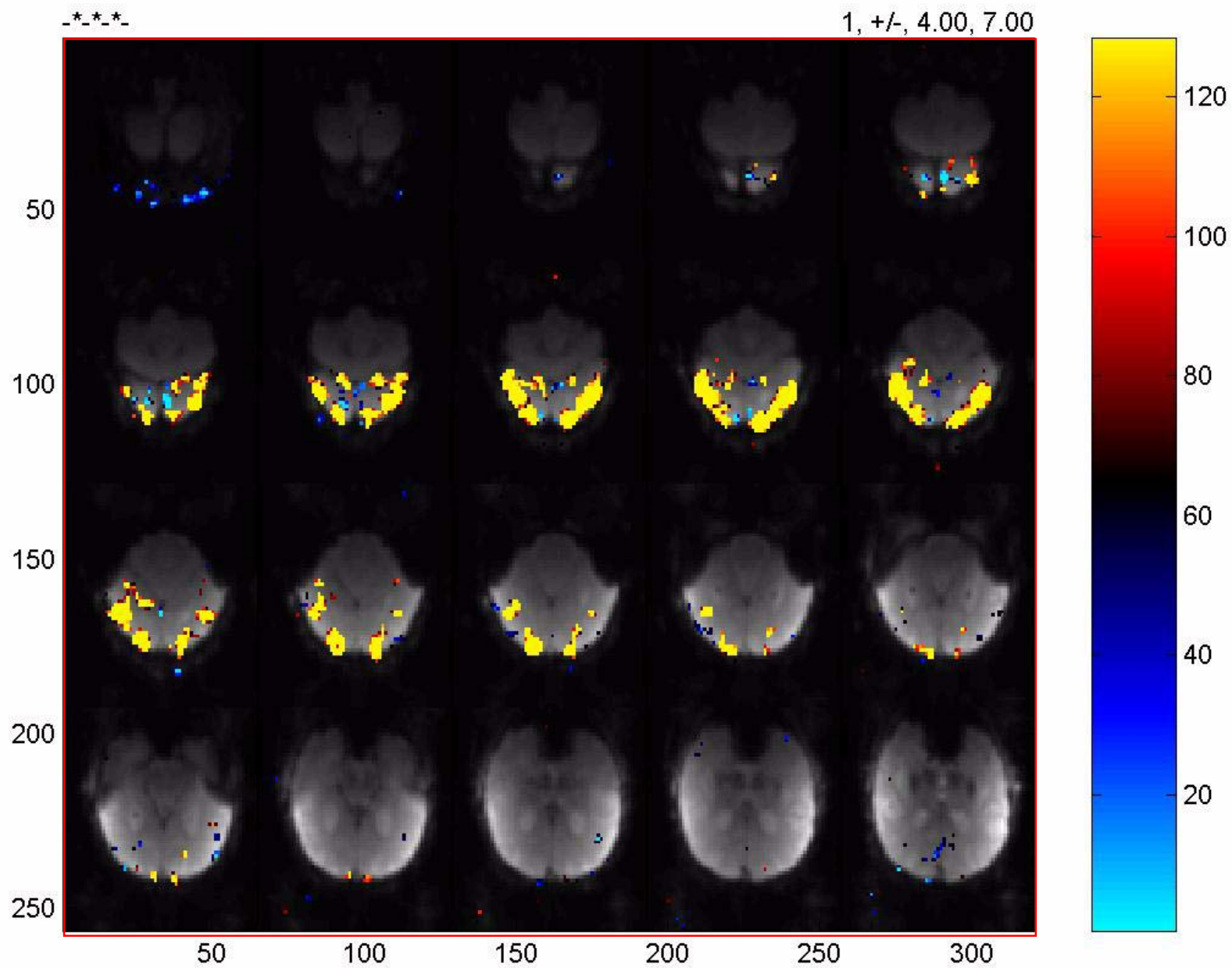
1. No depth cues
2. Stereo only
3. Parallax only
4. Stereo and parallax

50 and 60 trials each

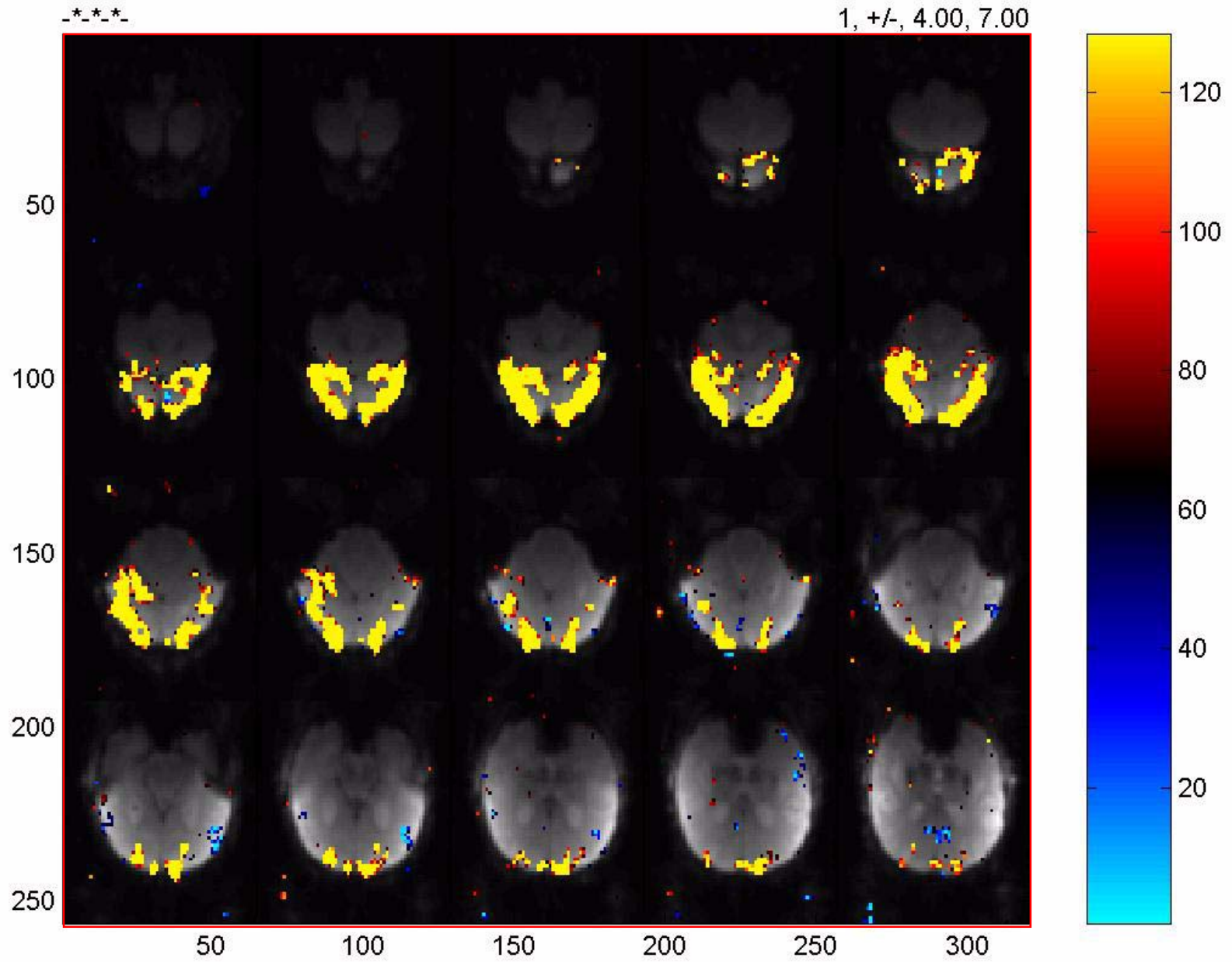
A: Stereo



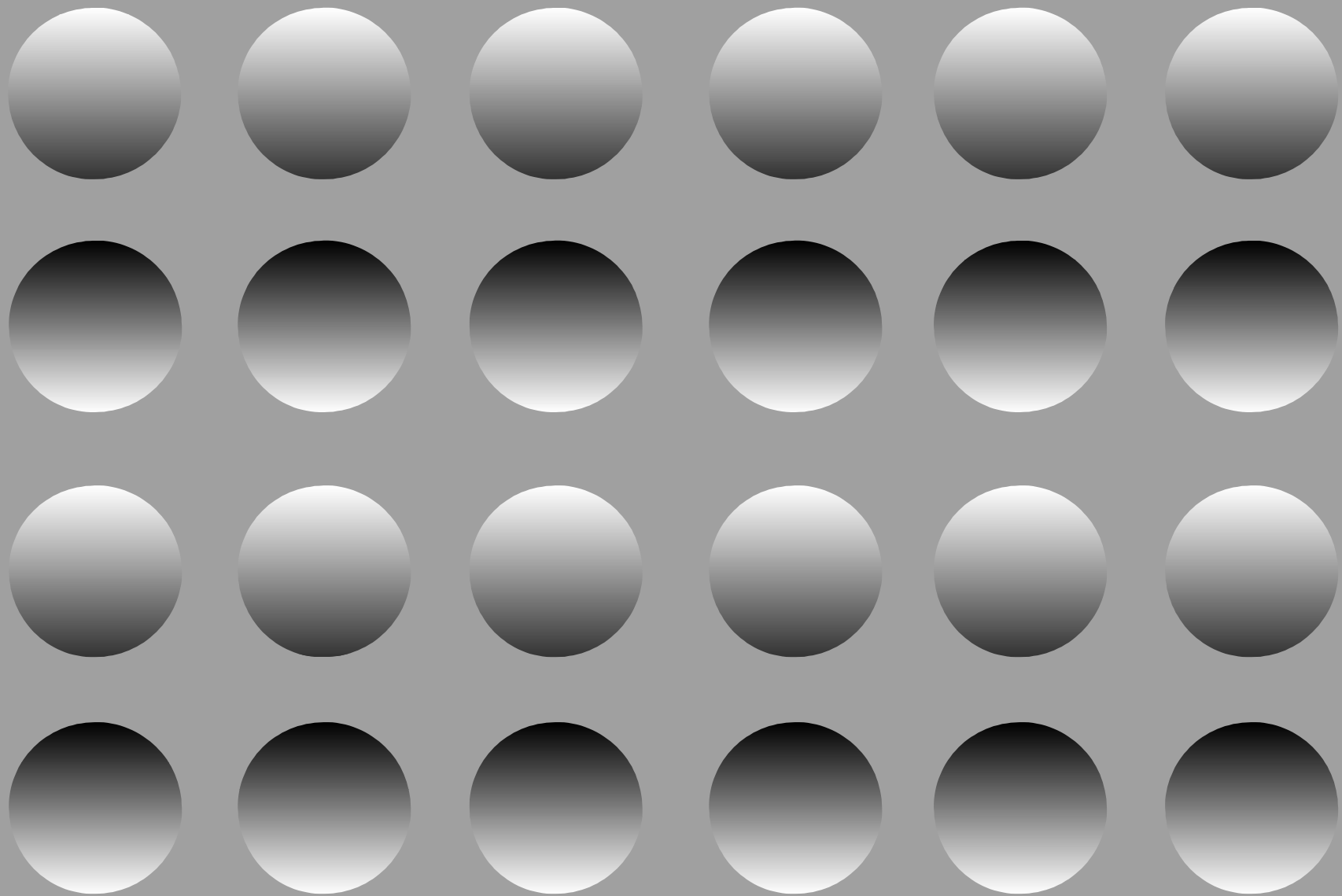
### B: Parallax

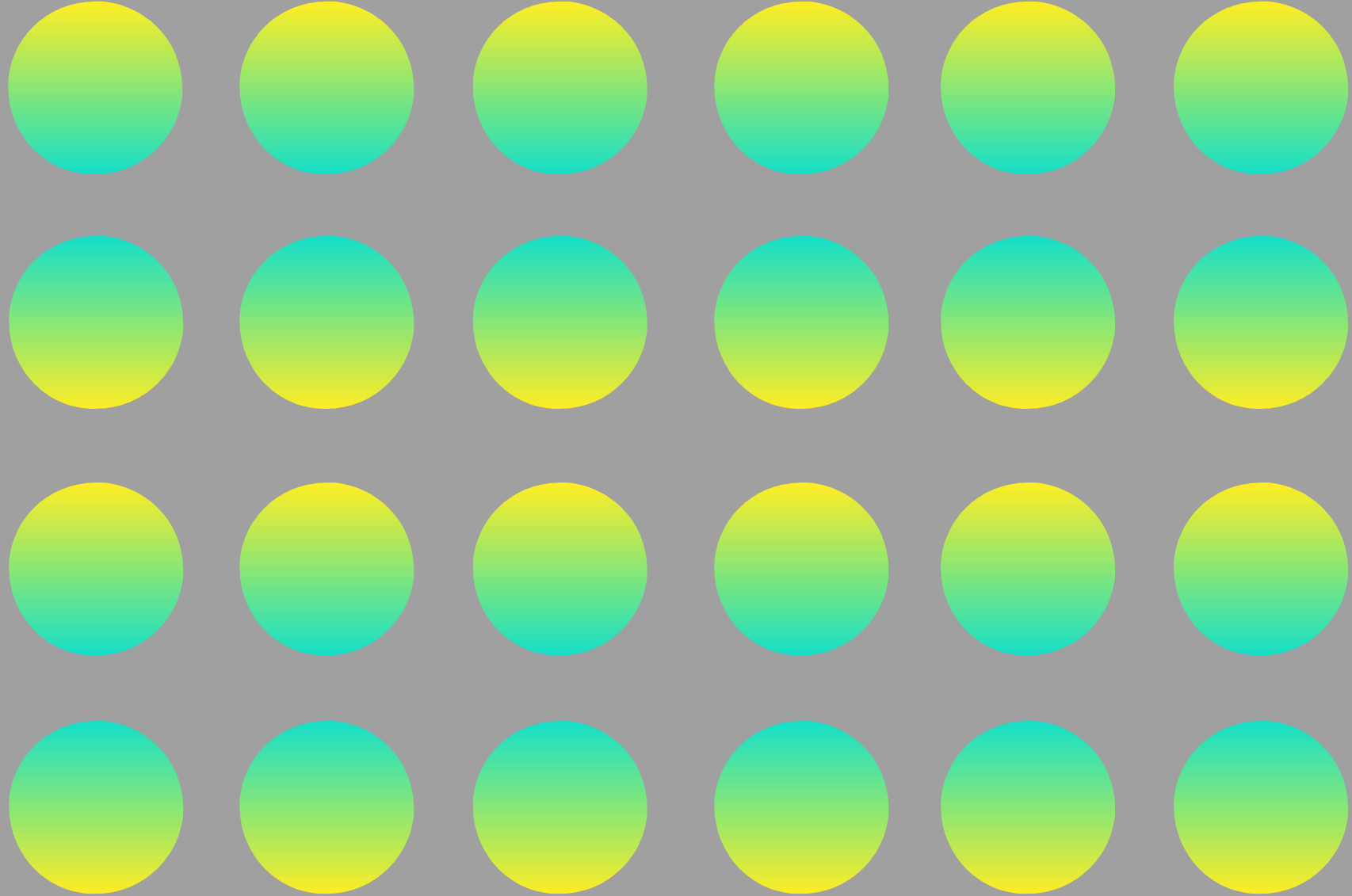


C: Stereo + Parallax



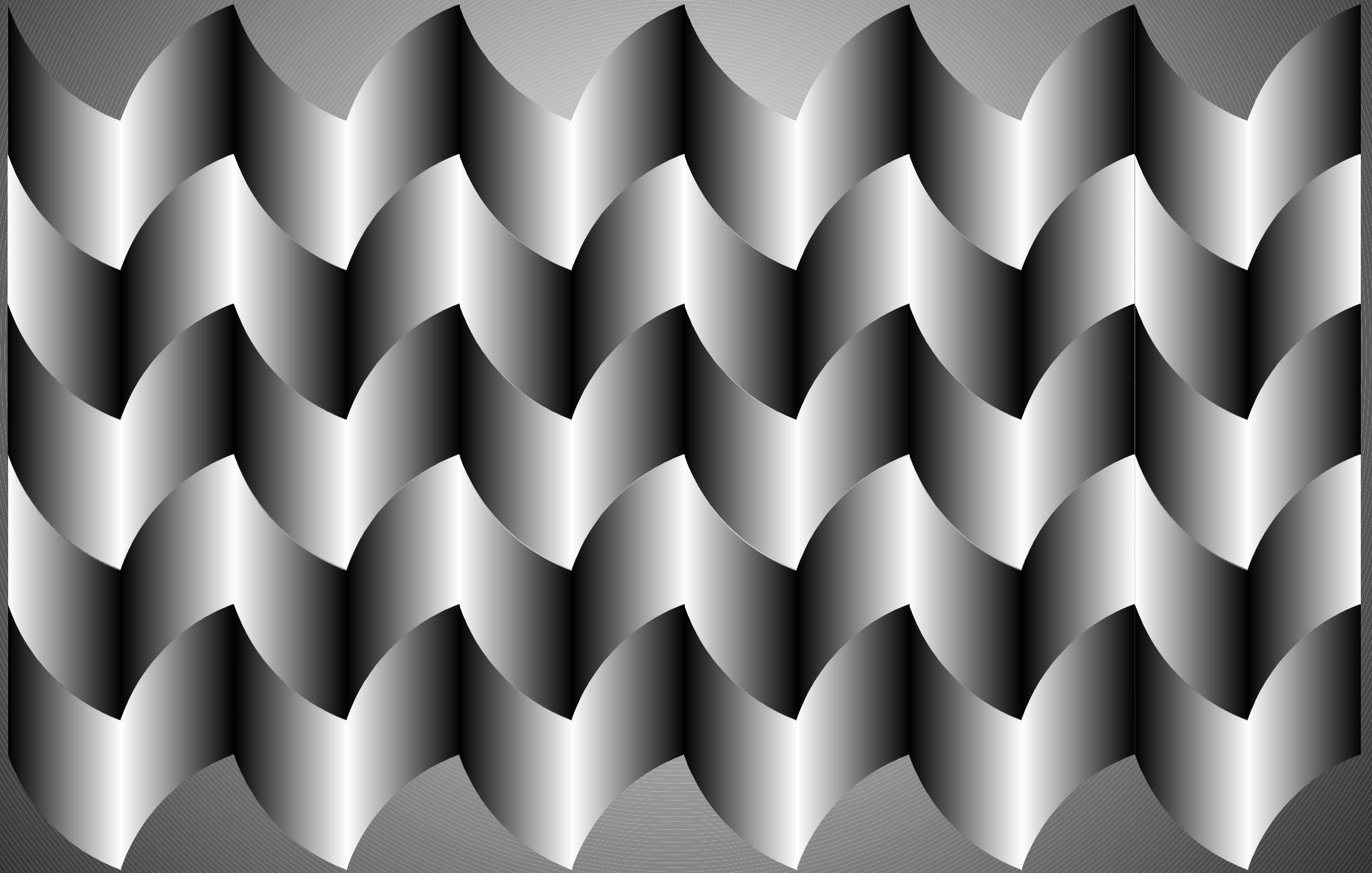
# Shading

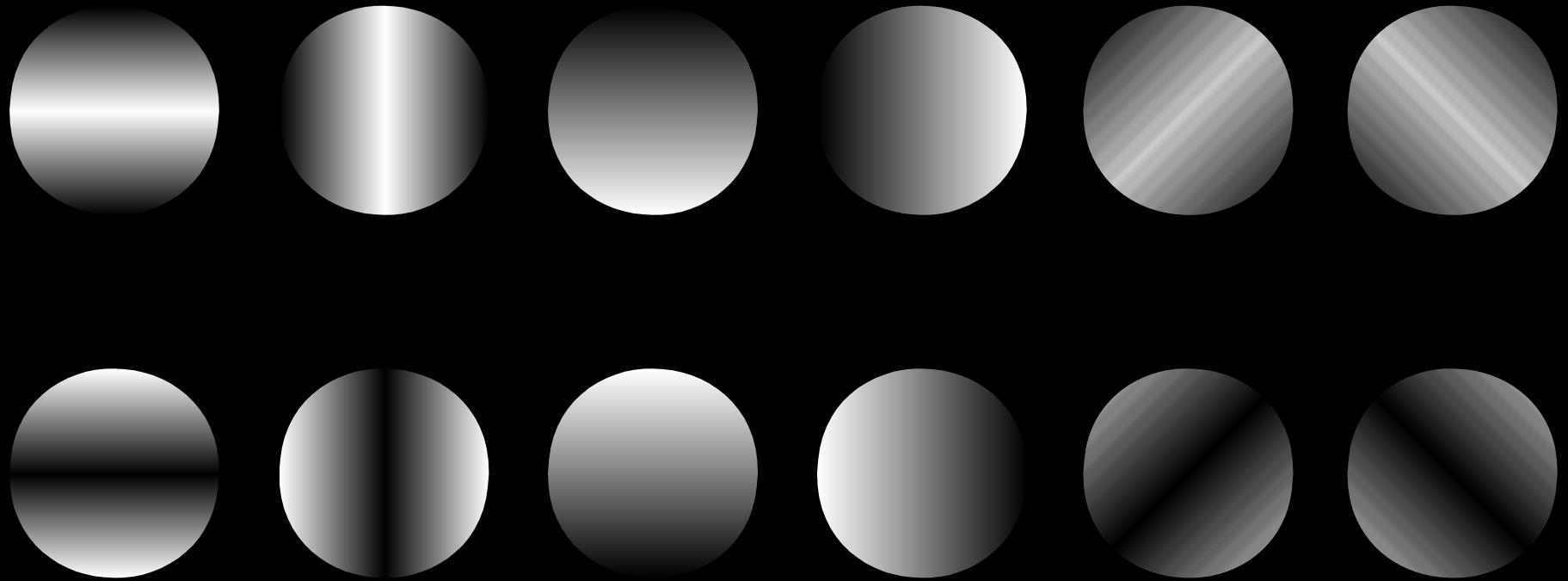






# The power of shading for depth perception

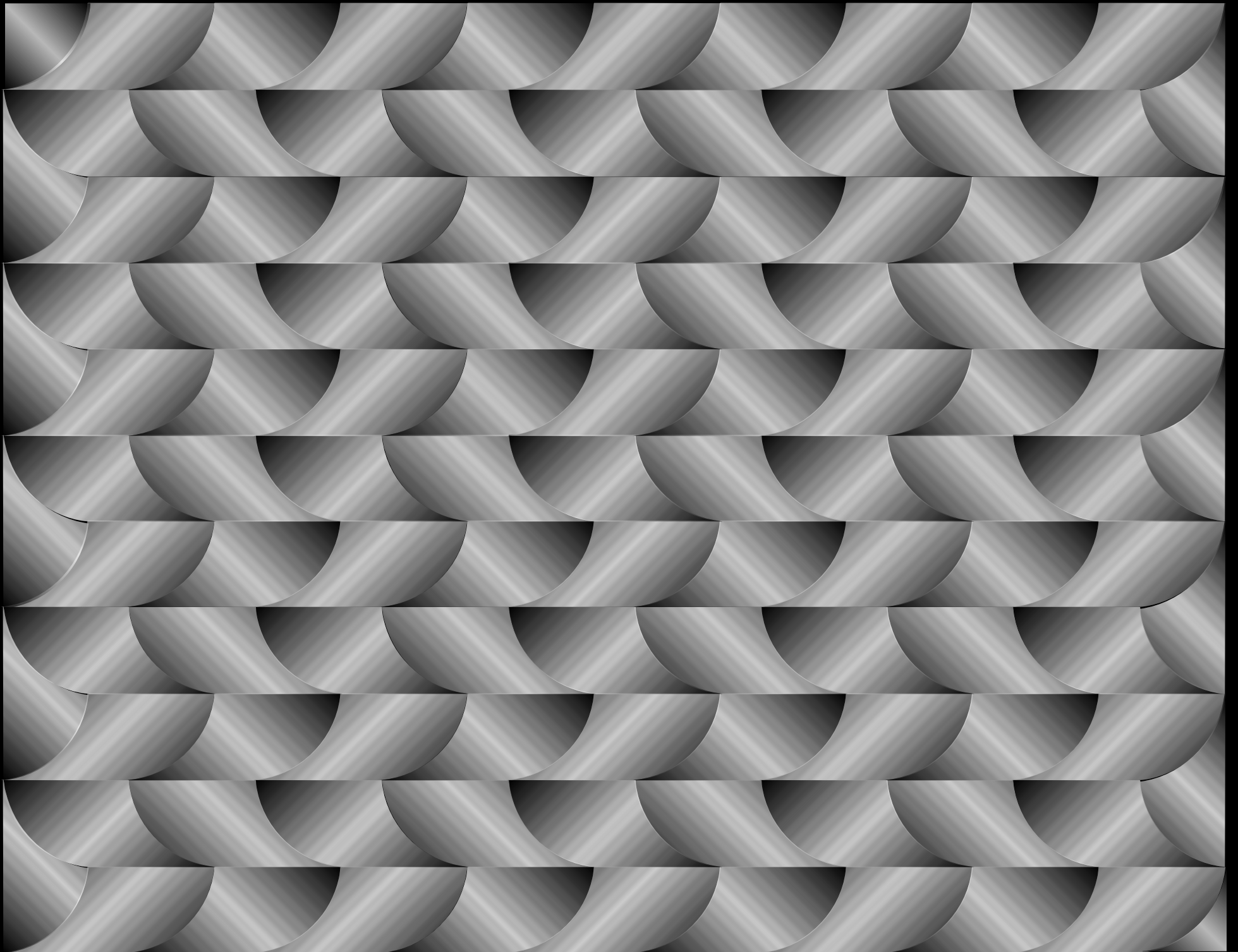


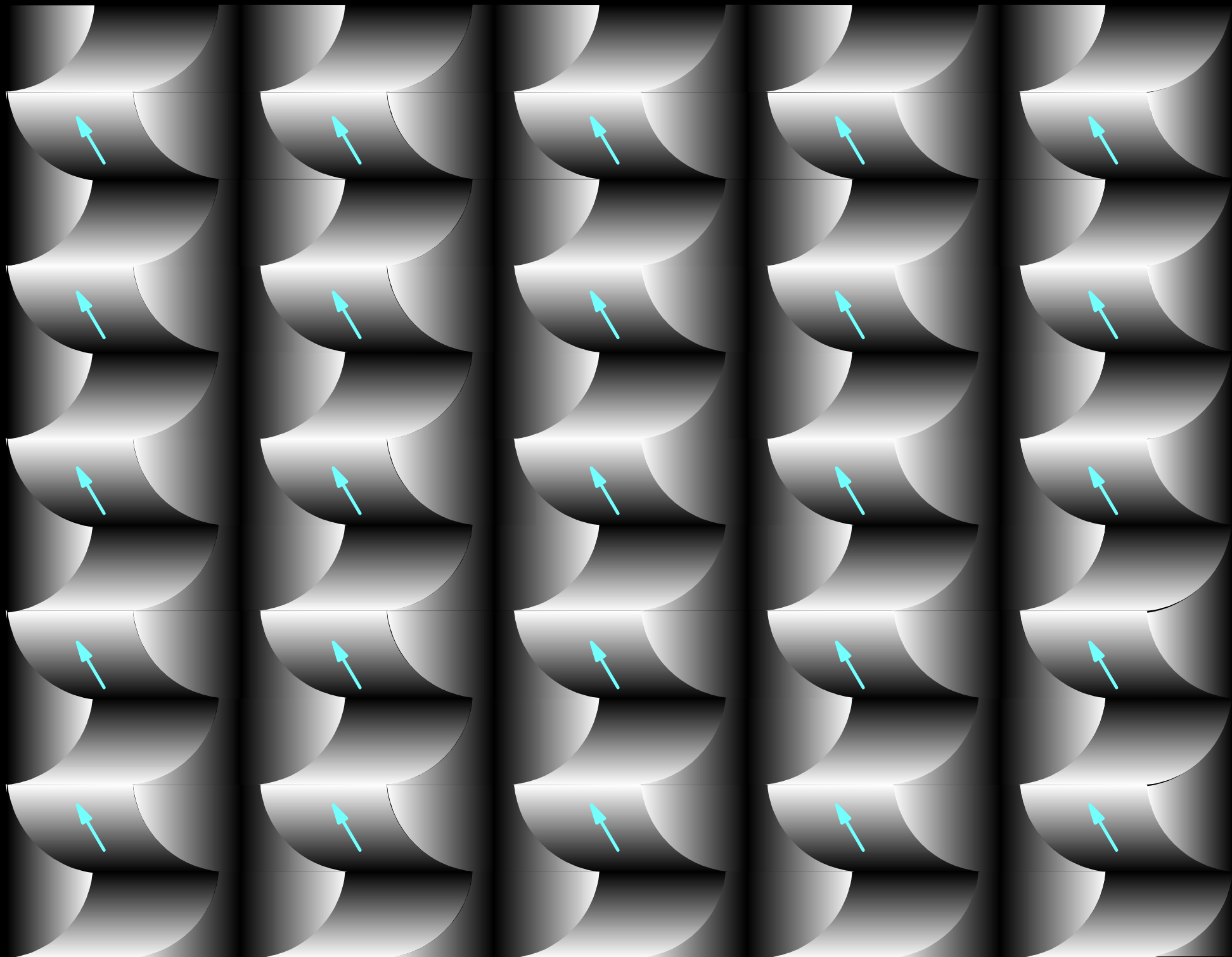


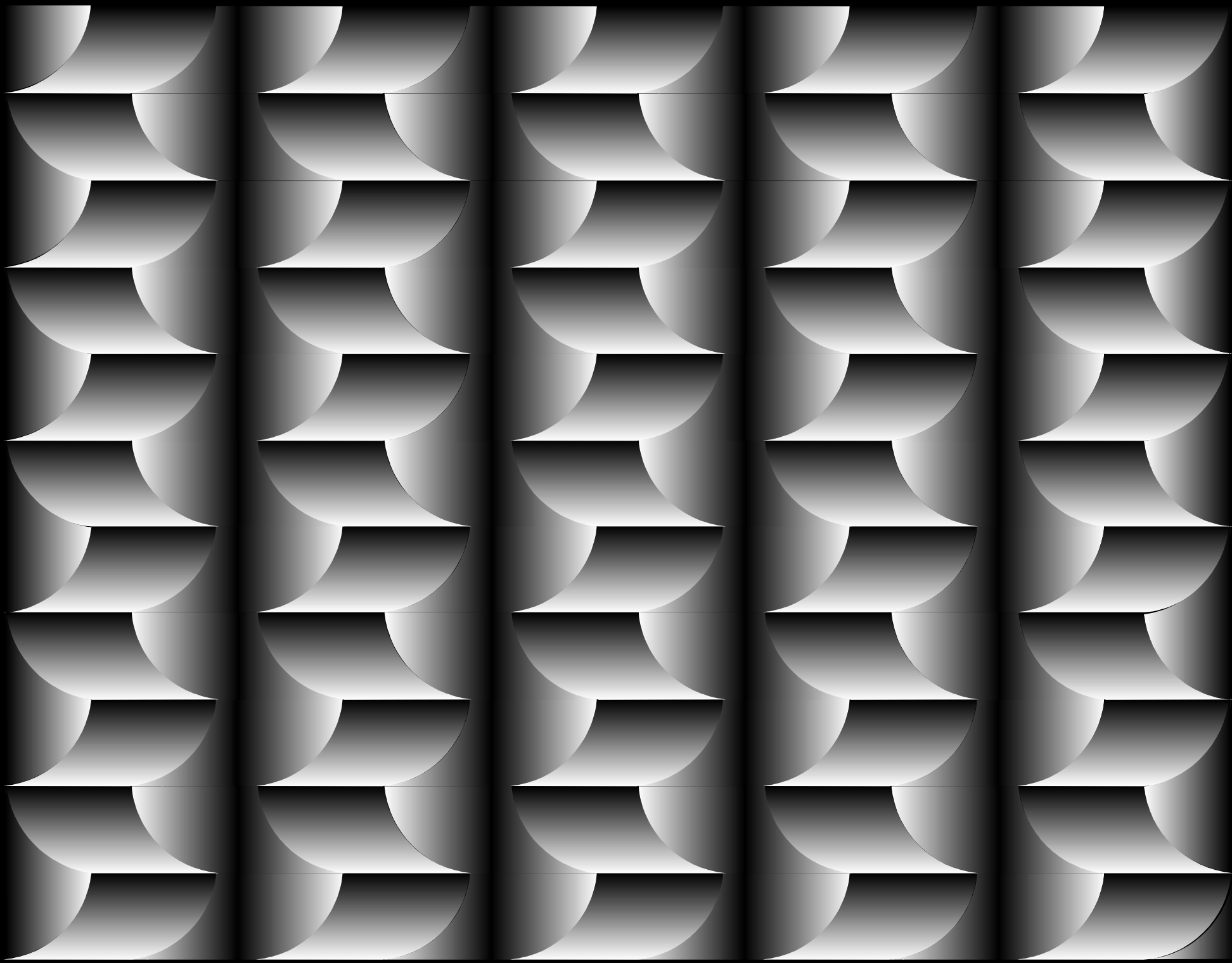
Examples of the 12 different shadings used

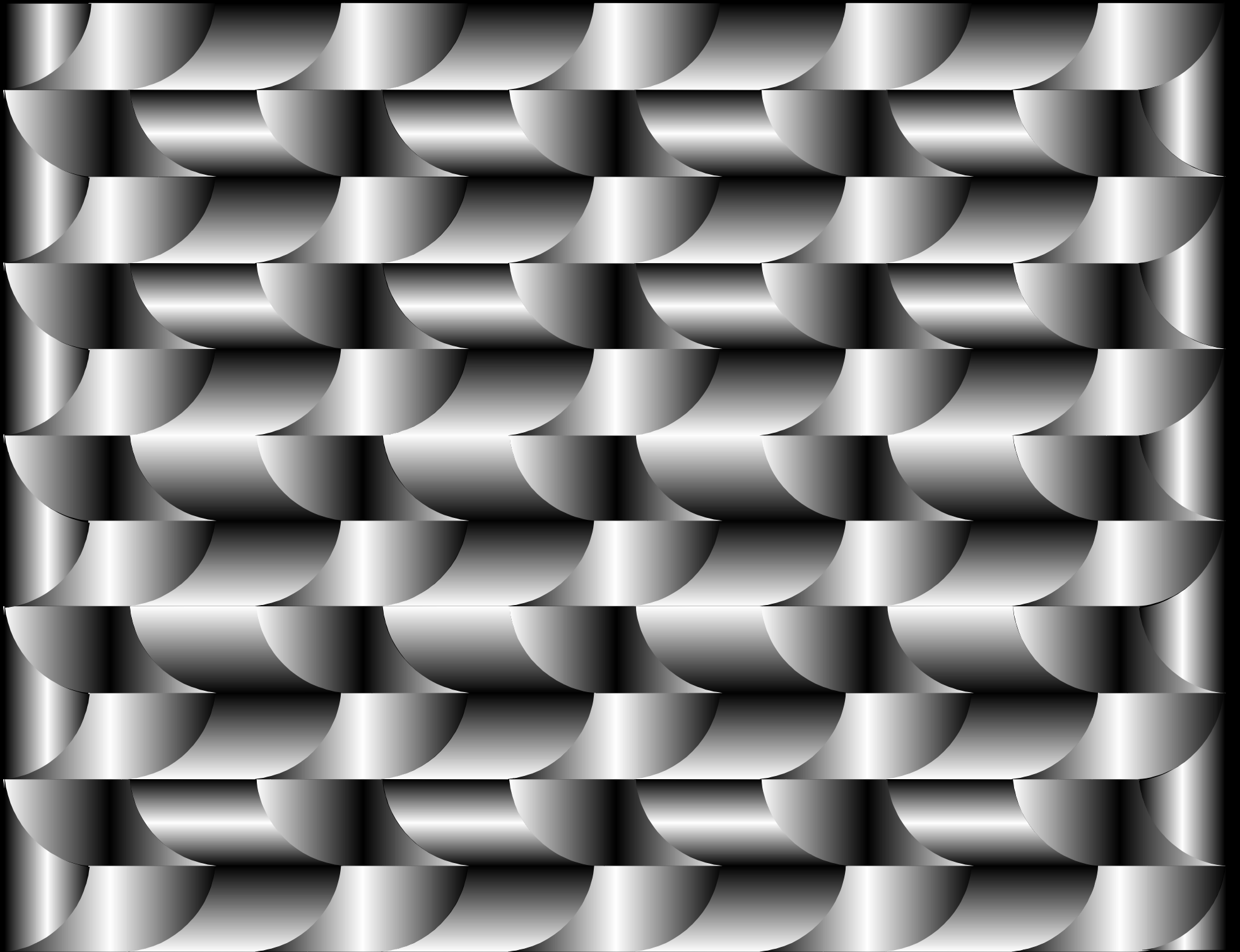


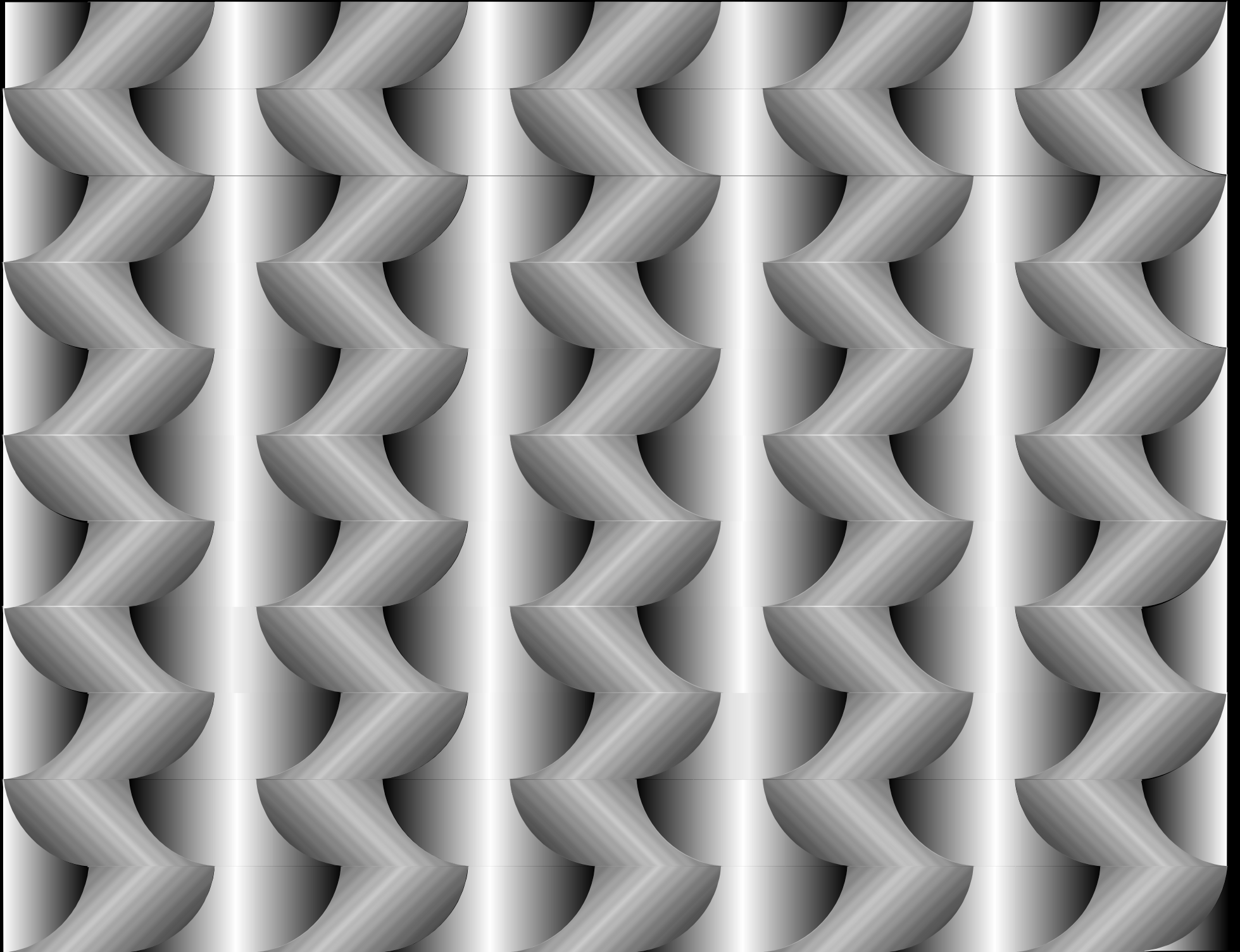
The next five displays have identical, repeating elements which are shaded differently in each set yielding a variety of stable and conflicting percepts













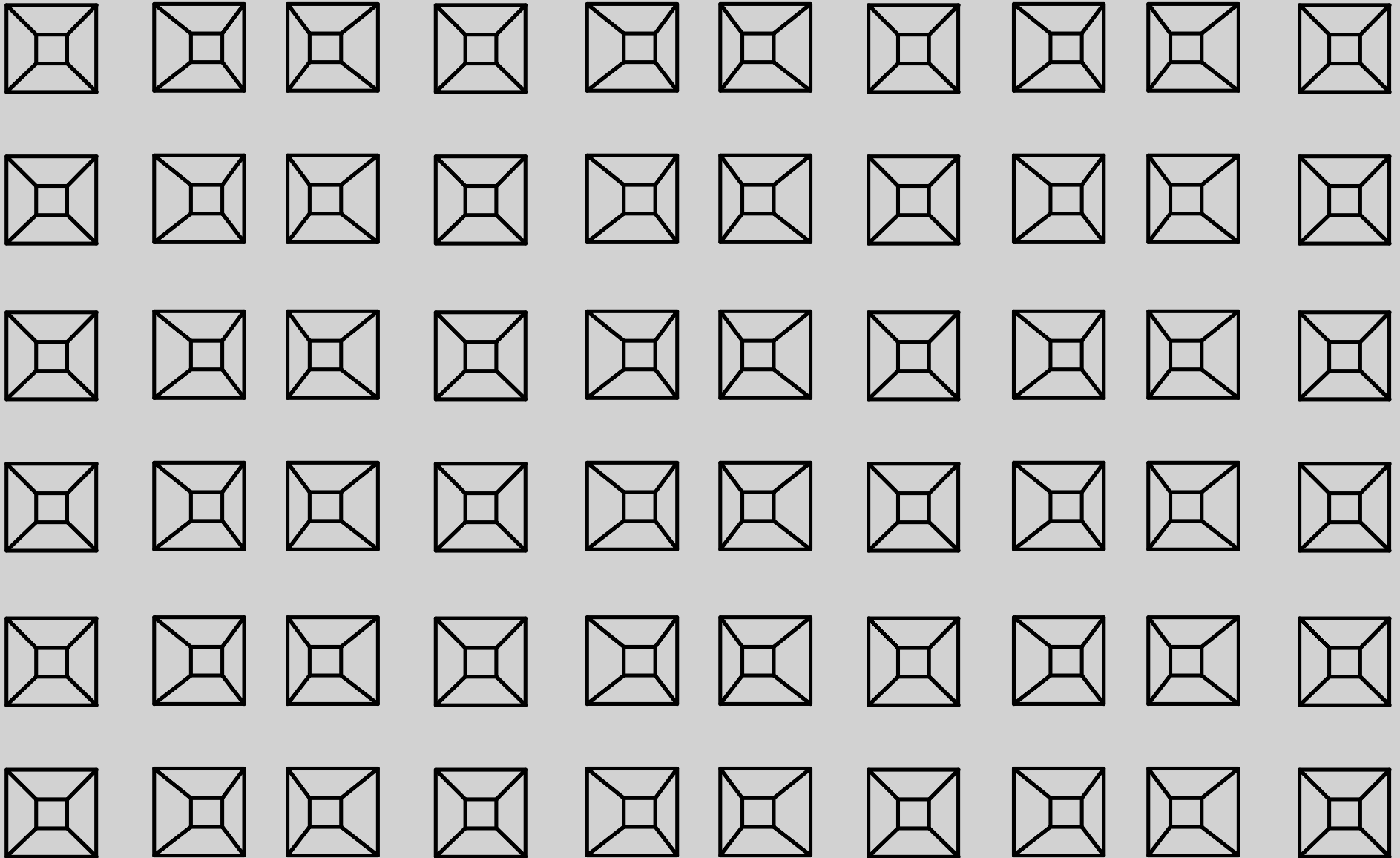
# Stereo and shading in harmony and in conflict

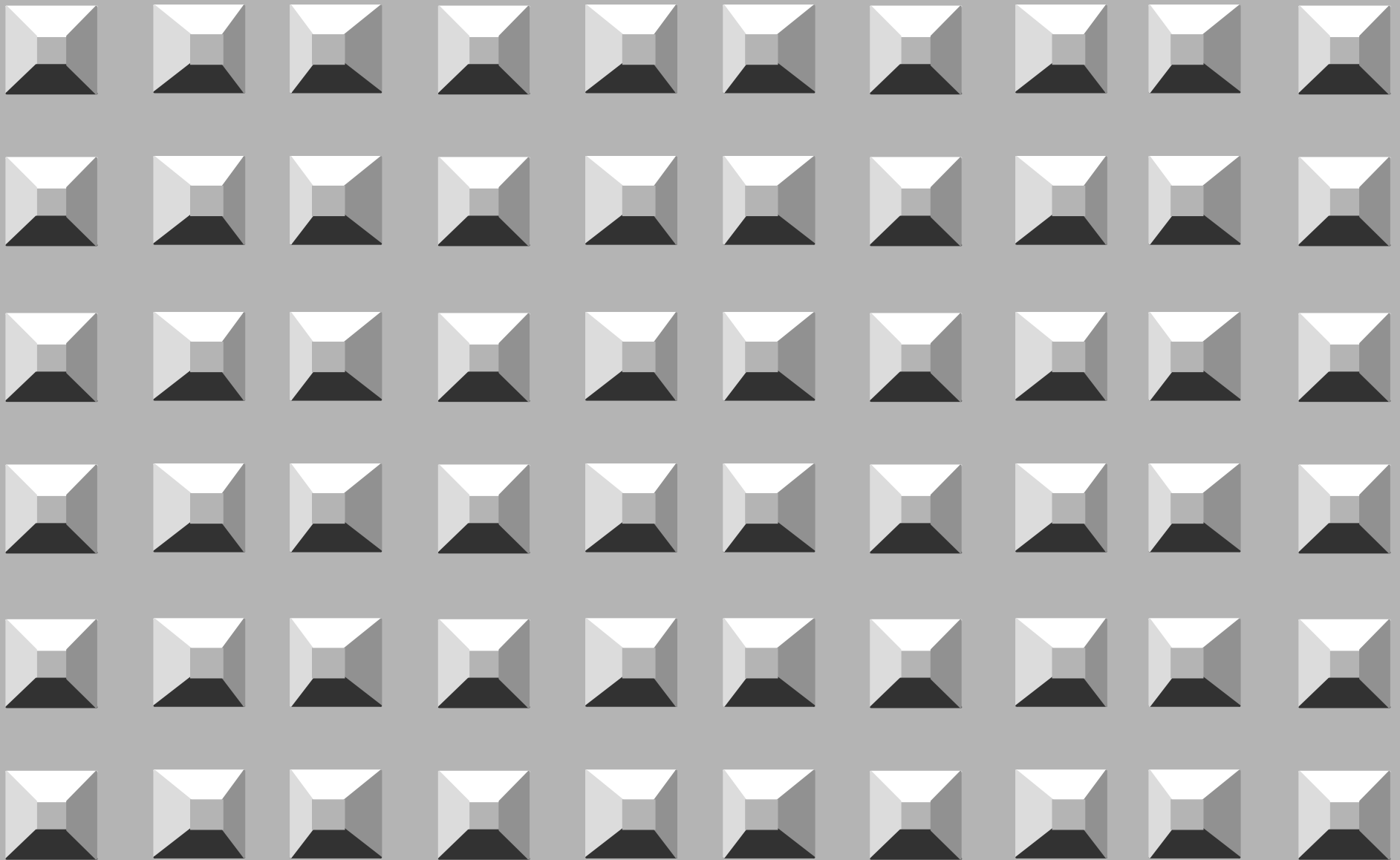
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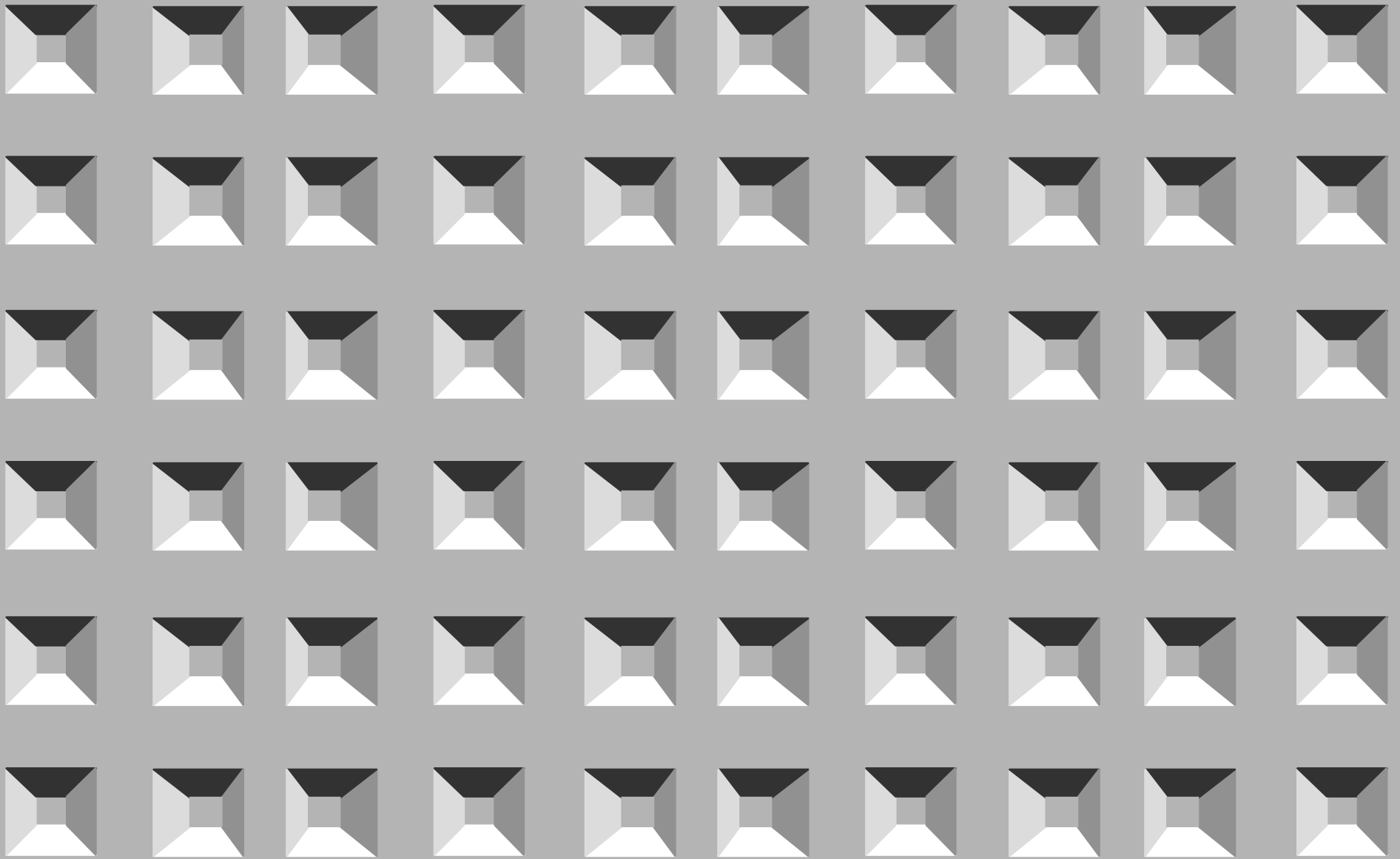
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Putting stereo, parallax and shading together

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## Separate and combined disparity, parallax and shading depth cues

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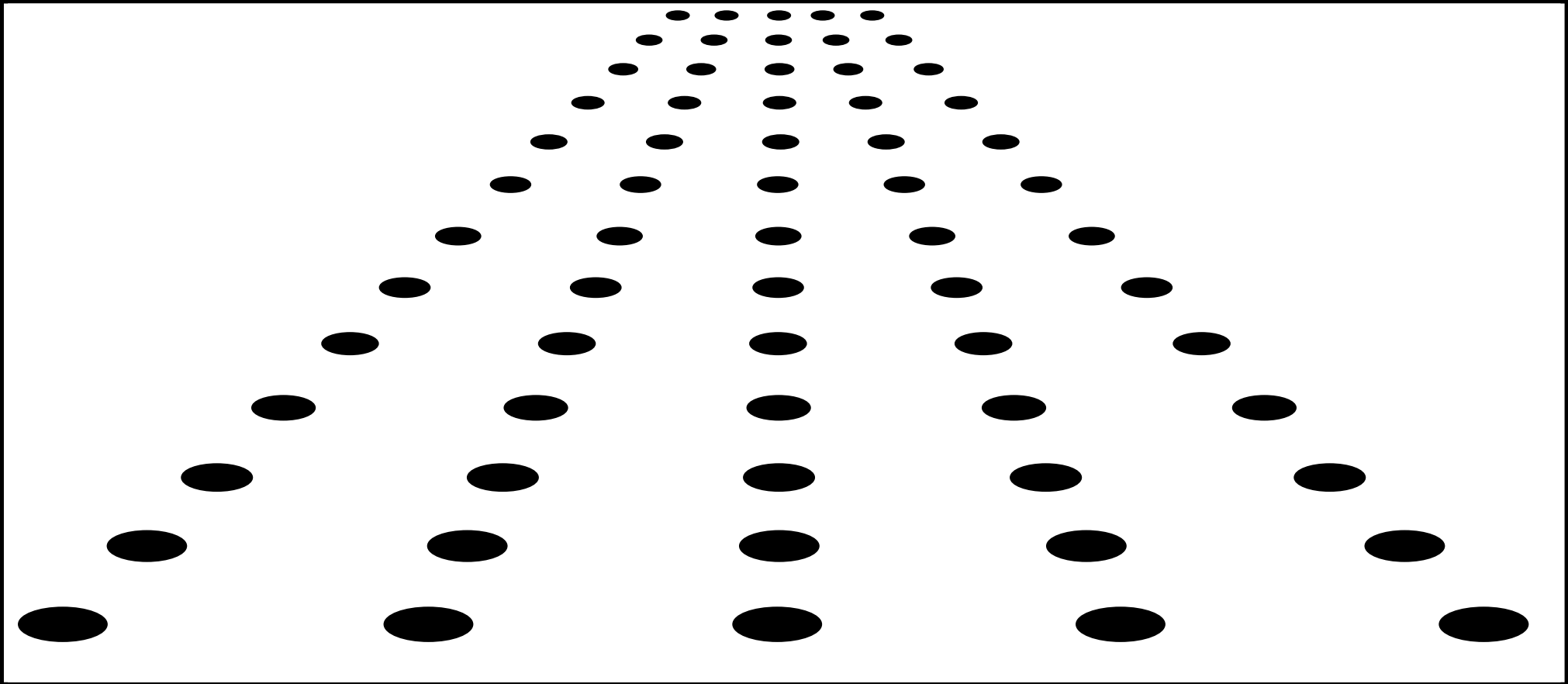
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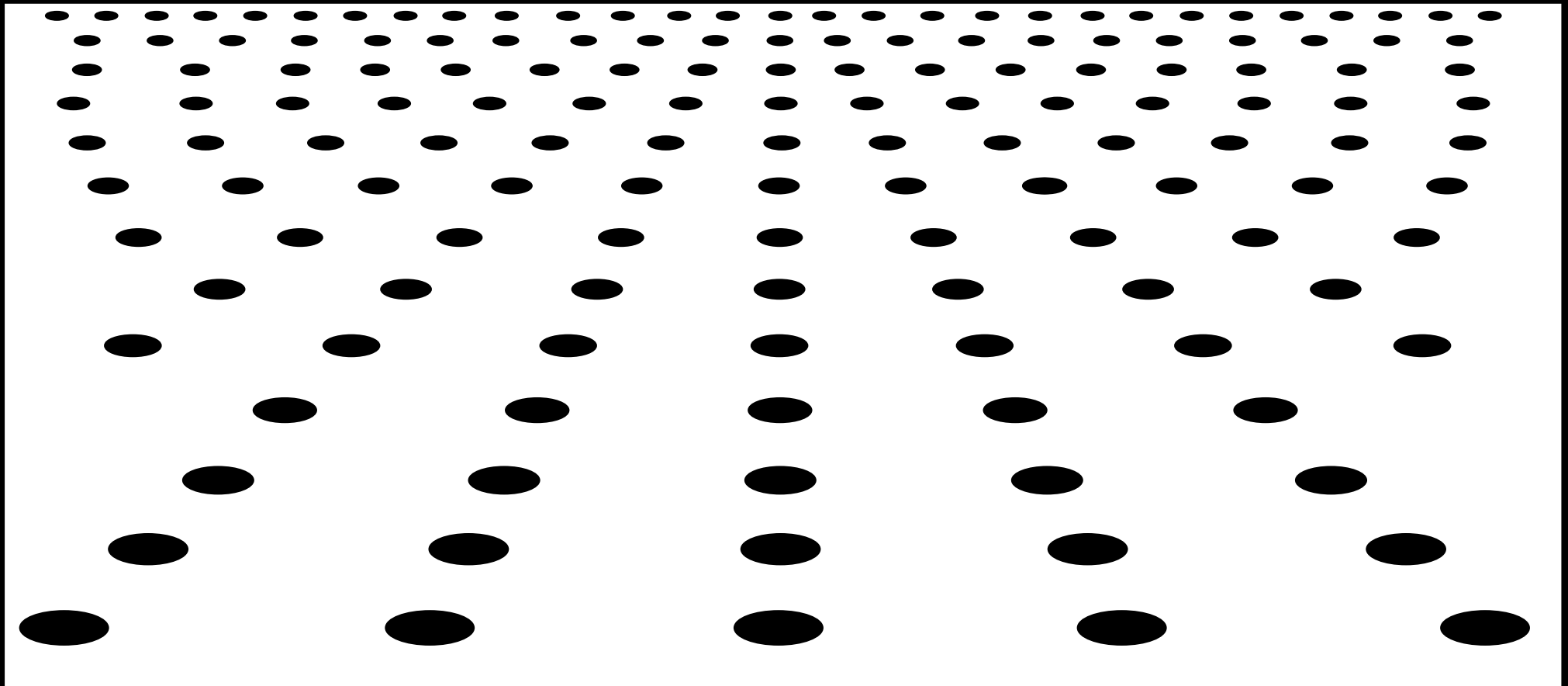
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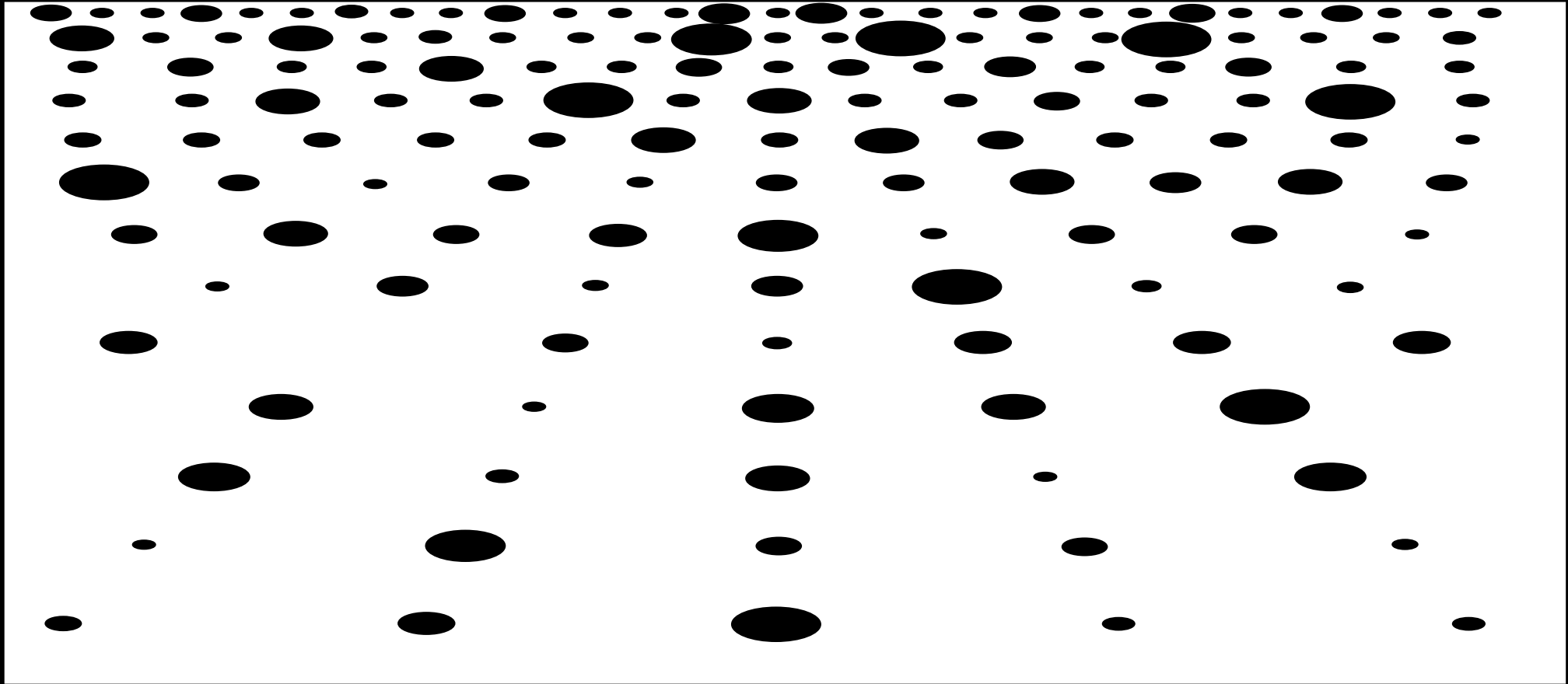


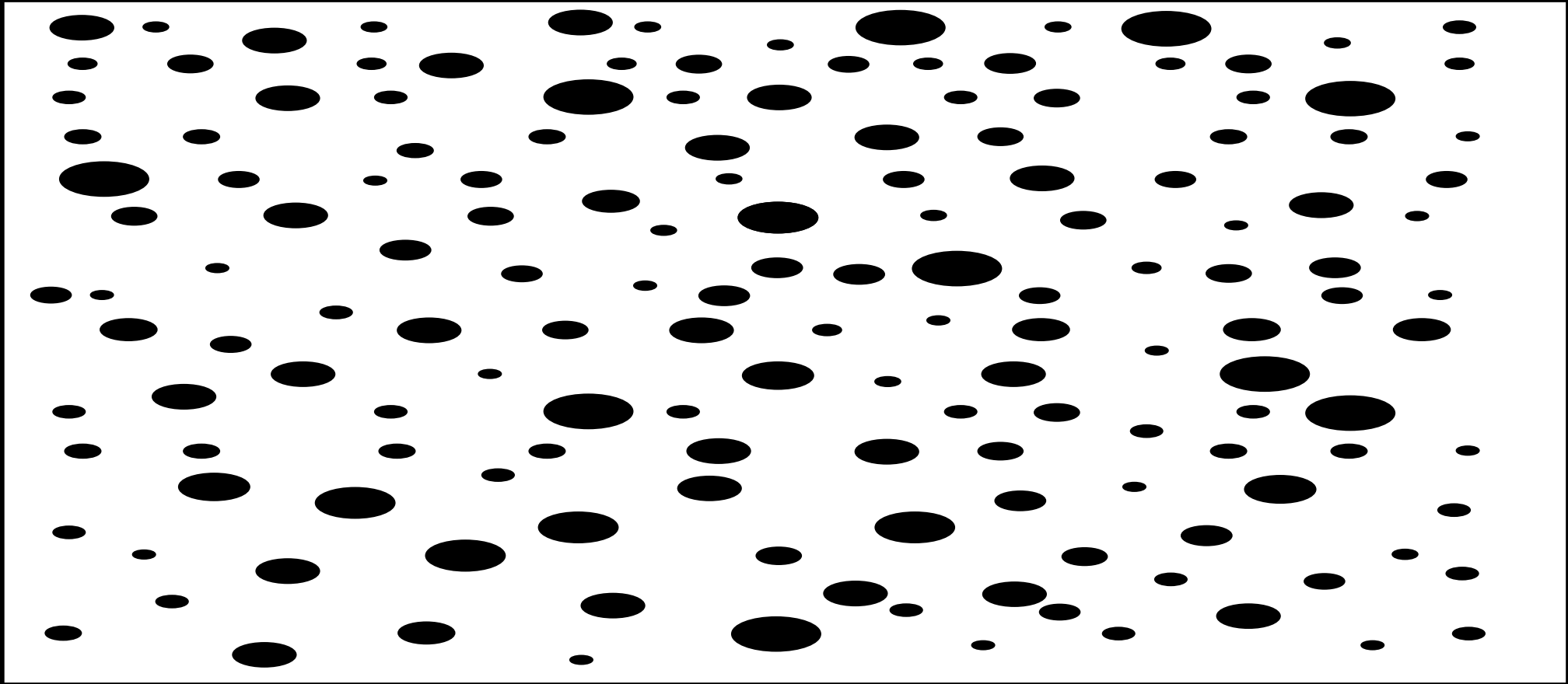
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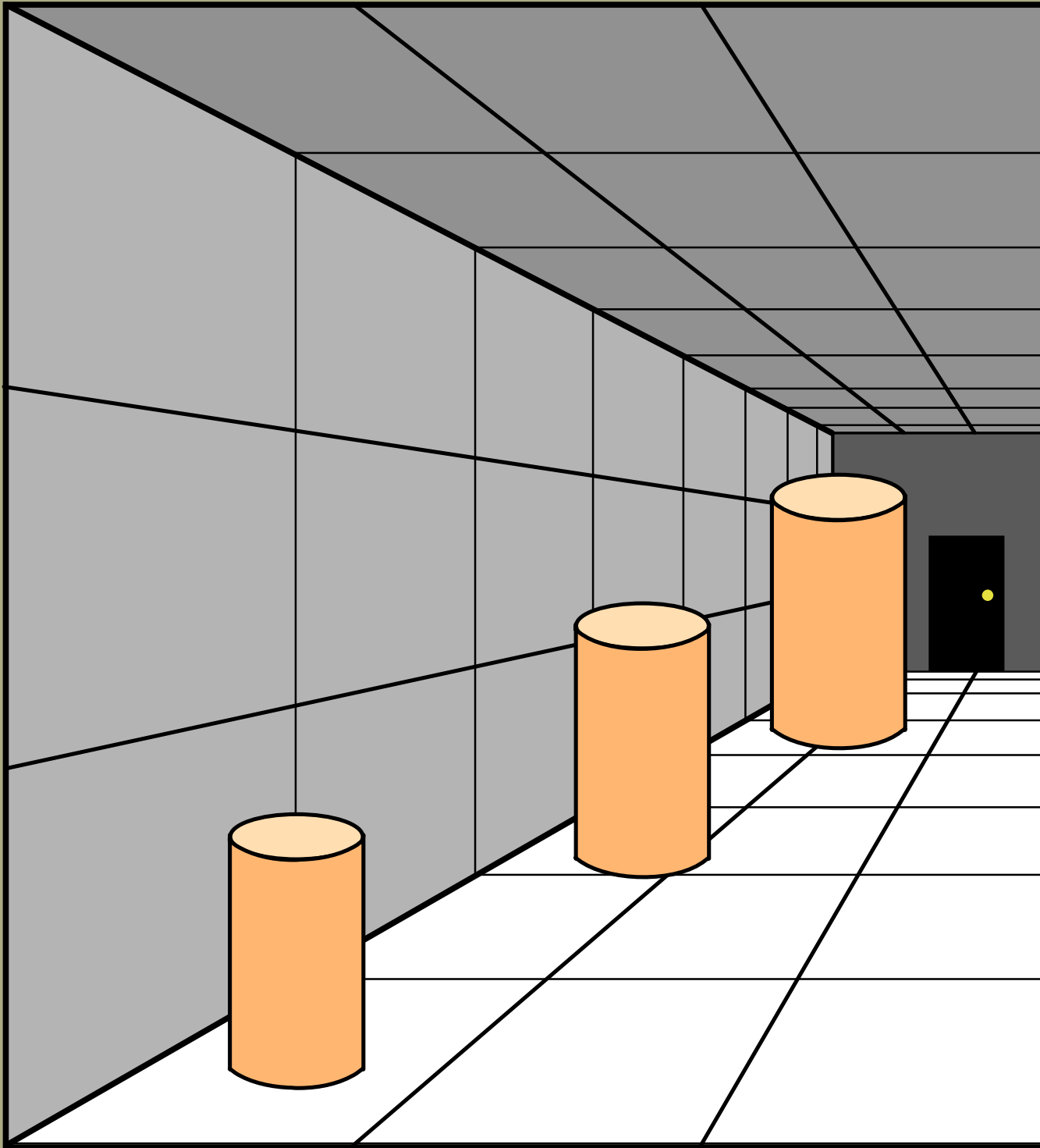


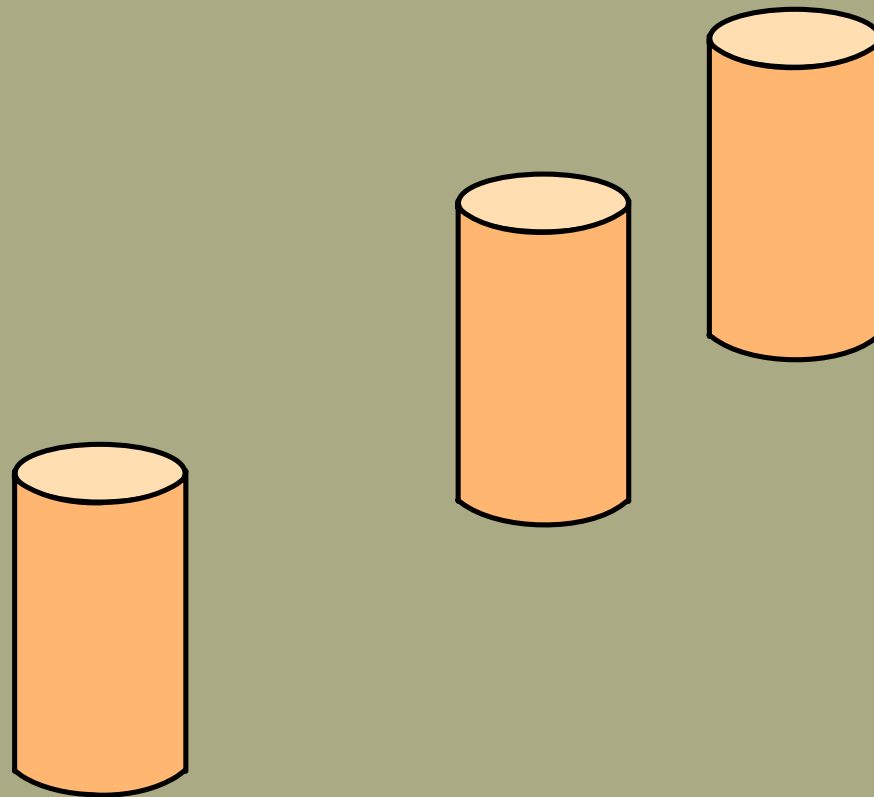






# Perspective illusion





# The Savage family



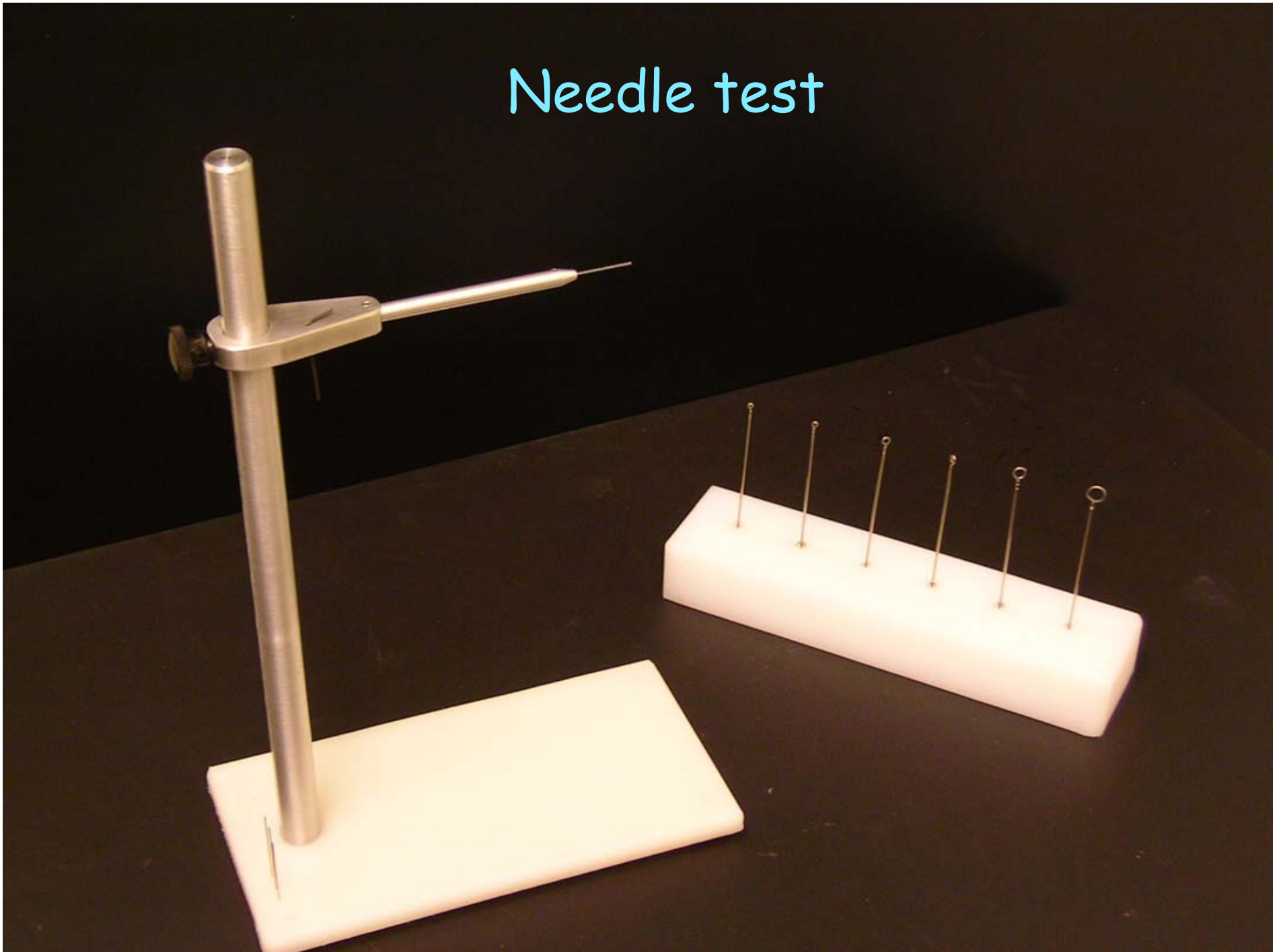
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Edward Savage



# Hand-eye coordination and Binocular integration tests

# Needle test

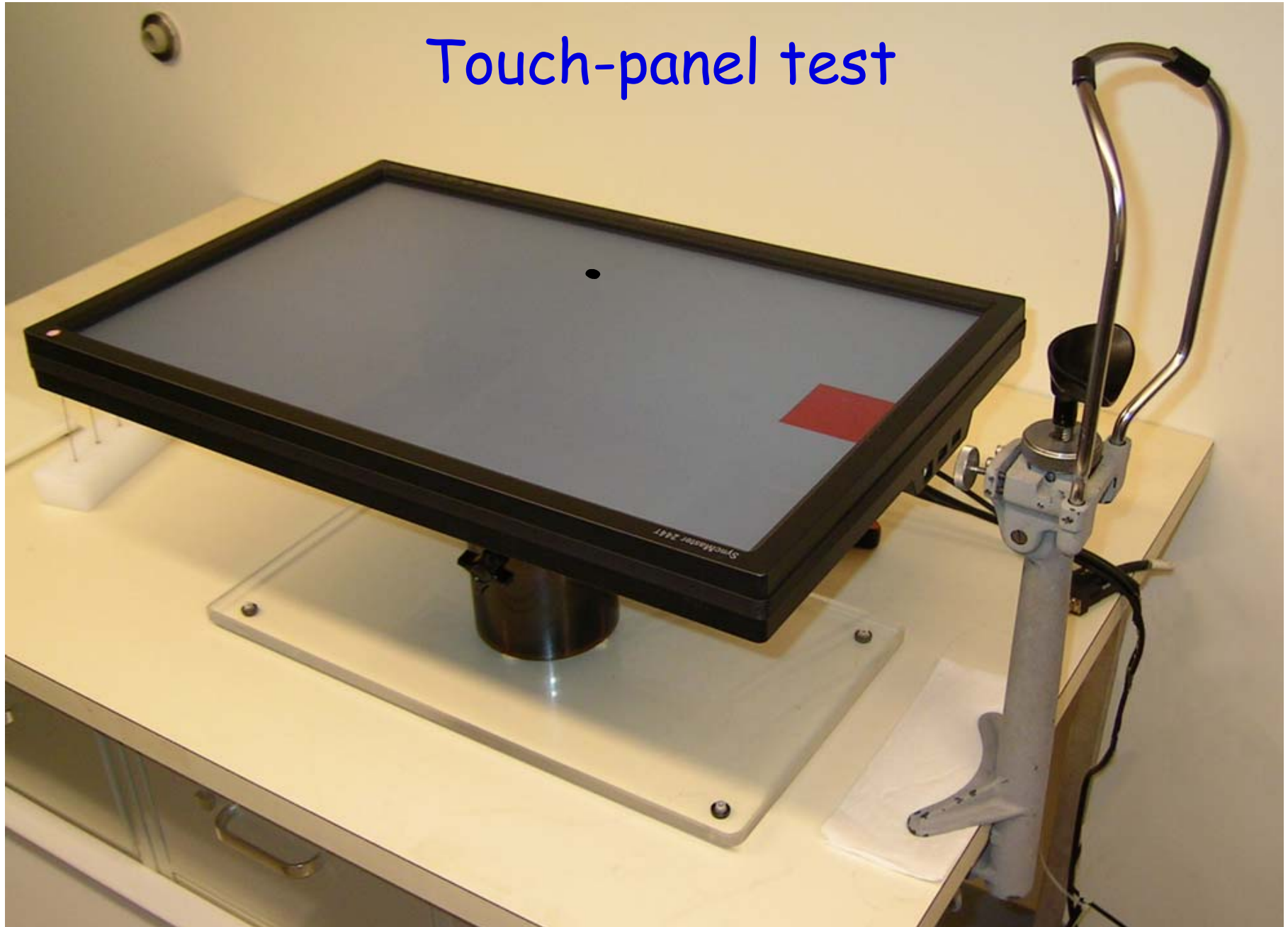


# Movie of needle test

needle\_binoc

needle\_monoc

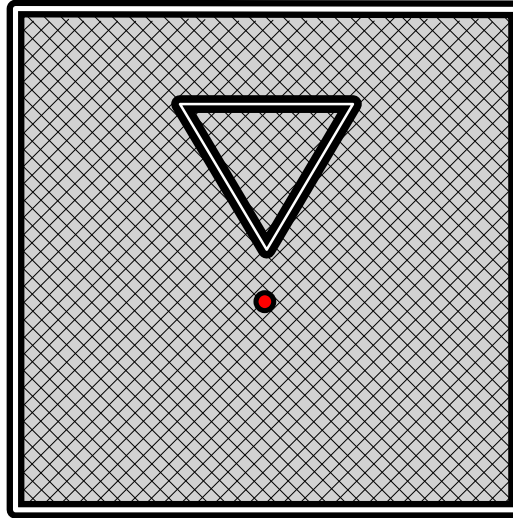
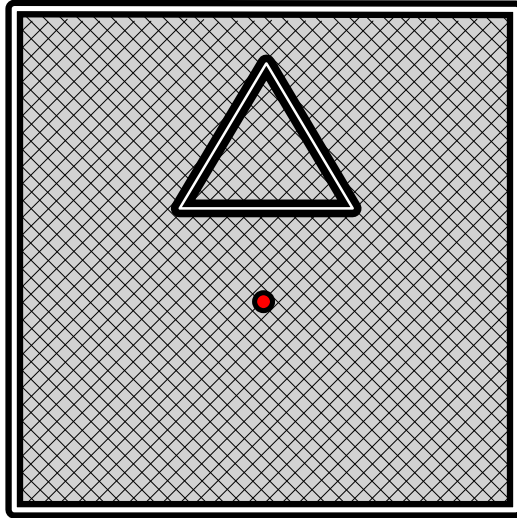
# Touch-panel test



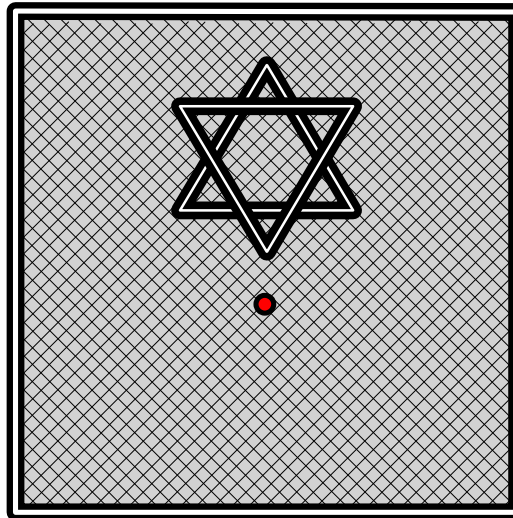
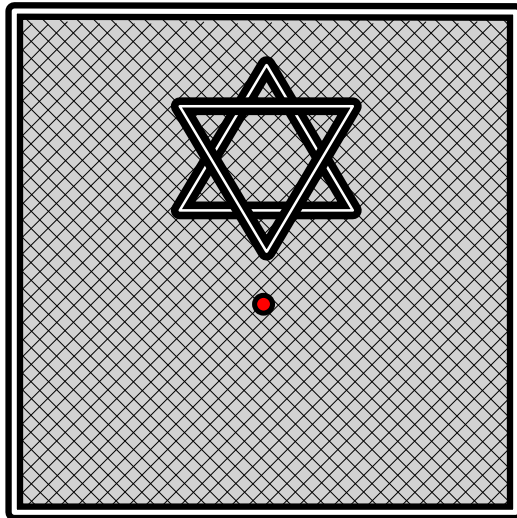
# Examples of test of binocular integration

# Binocular integration test, figures

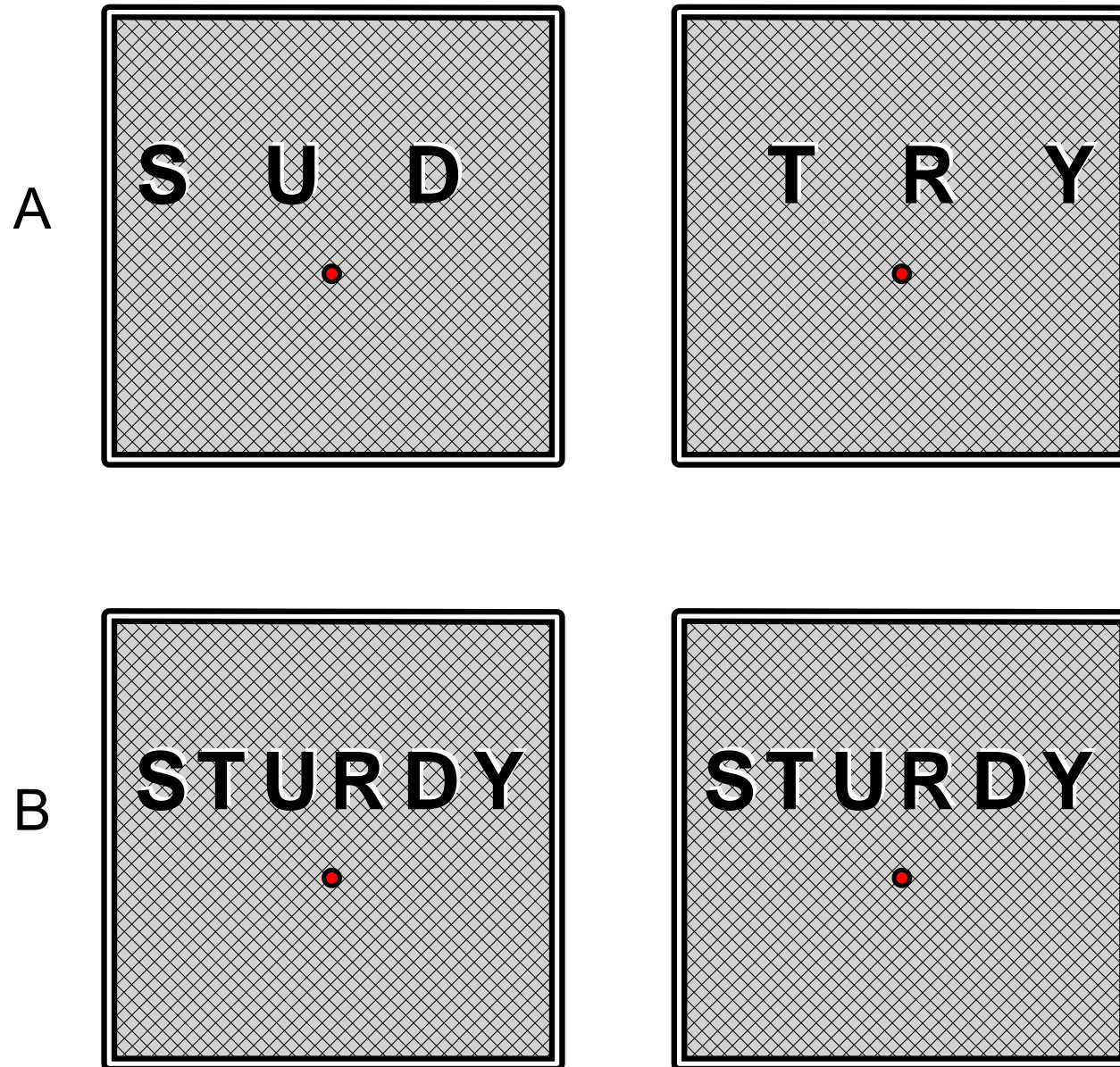
A



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# Binocular integration test, words



## Summary, depth:

1. Numerous mechanisms for analyzing depth have been identified that include vergence and accommodation, stereopsis, parallax, shading, and perspective.
2. Several cortical structures process stereopsis utilizing disparity information; the number of disparities represented is limited as in the case of color coding.
3. Utilizing motion parallax for depth processing necessitates neurons specific for direction, velocity and differential velocity; several areas, including V1 and MT process motion parallax.
4. Area MT contributes to the analysis of motion, motion parallax, depth, and flicker; however, these analyses are also carried out by several other structures.
5. Little is known at present about the manner in which information about shading and perspective is analyzed by the brain.



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