

Text S3: Integrating binocular term over frequency and orientation

The binocular term in the response of a single energy-model complex cell is

$$B = 2(S_{L1}S_{R1} + S_{L2}S_{R2}) \\ = 2 \int dx dy \int dx' dy' I_L(x, y) I_R(x', y') \exp \left(-\frac{(x-x_L)^2 + (y-y_L)^2 + (x'-x_R)^2 + (y'-y_R)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) \\ [\cos(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) \cos(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) + \sin(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) \sin(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R)]$$

This cell is tuned to a spatial frequency and orientation specified by the wavenumbers k_x and k_y , and has receptive fields centered at (x_L, y_L) and (x_R, y_R) , with phases ϕ_L and ϕ_R respectively. We now compute the total response of many such cells tuned to many spatial frequencies and orientations, but all with the same receptive field centers and phases:

$$B_{\text{int}} = \int B dk_x dk_y \\ = 2 \int dx dy \int dx' dy' I_L(x, y) I_R(x', y') \exp \left(-\frac{(x-x_L)^2 + (y-y_L)^2 + (x'-x_R)^2 + (y'-y_R)^2}{2\sigma_{RF}^2} \right) \\ \int dk_x dk_y [\cos(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) \cos(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) + \sin(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) \sin(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R)]$$

Doing the innermost integral first, we obtain

$$\int dk_x dk_y \{\cos(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) \cos(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) + \sin(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) \sin(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R)\} \\ = \frac{1}{4} \int dk_x dk_y \left\{ \begin{aligned} & [\exp i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) + \exp -i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L)] [\exp i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) + \exp -i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R)] \\ & - [\exp i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) - \exp -i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L)] [\exp i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) - \exp -i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R)] \end{aligned} \right\} \\ = \frac{1}{4} \int dk_x dk_y \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \exp i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) \exp i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) + \exp i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) \exp -i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) \\ & + \exp -i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) \exp i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) + \exp -i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) \exp -i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) \\ & - \exp i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) \exp i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) + \exp i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) \exp -i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) \\ & + \exp -i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) \exp i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) - \exp -i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) \exp -i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) \end{aligned} \right\} \\ = \frac{1}{2} \int dk_x dk_y \{\exp i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) \exp -i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L) + \exp -i(k_x x' + k_y y' + \phi_R) \exp i(k_x x + k_y y + \phi_L)\} \\ = \frac{1}{2} \exp i(\phi_R - \phi_L) \int dk_x dk_y \{\exp i(k_x x' + k_y y') \exp -i(k_x x + k_y y)\} \\ + \frac{1}{2} \exp i(\phi_L - \phi_R) \int dk_x dk_y \{\exp -i(k_x x' + k_y y') \exp i(k_x x + k_y y)\} \\ = \frac{1}{2} \exp i(\phi_R - \phi_L) \int dk_x dk_y \exp i(k_x(x' - x) + k_y(y' - y)) + \frac{1}{2} \exp i(\phi_L - \phi_R) \int dk_x dk_y \exp i(k_x(x - x') + k_y(y - y')) \\ = \frac{1}{2} (e^{i\phi_R - i\phi_L} + e^{-i\phi_R + i\phi_L}) \delta(x - x') \delta(y - y') = \cos(\Delta\phi) \delta(x - x') \delta(y - y')$$

where $\Delta\phi = \phi_R - \phi_L$ is the phase disparity of the cells. Using this result in the equation for the integral of B gives us:

$$B_{\text{int}} = \int B dk_x dk_y = 2 \cos(\Delta\phi) \int dx dy \exp \left(-\frac{(x-x_L)^2 + (y-y_L)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) I_L(x, y) \exp \left(-\frac{(x-x_R)^2 + (y-y_R)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) I_R(x, y)$$