

## Disparity selectivity of Simple Cells

*This Mathematica notebook shows how a disparity tuning curve may be obtained from left and right receptive field profiles of simple cells.*

*Curves obtained in this notebook have been presented in:*

*DeAngelis, G.C., Ohzawa, I., and Freeman, R.D. Neural mechanisms underlying stereopsis: how do simple cells in the visual cortex encode binocular disparity? Perception, 24: 3-31, 1995 (Fig. 2)*

*Ohzawa, I., DeAngelis, G.C., and Freeman, R.D. The neural coding of stereoscopic depth, NeuroReport, 1997 (Fig. 1)*

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*Pos[] is a half-wave rectifier function. This is to model simple cell's firing property.*

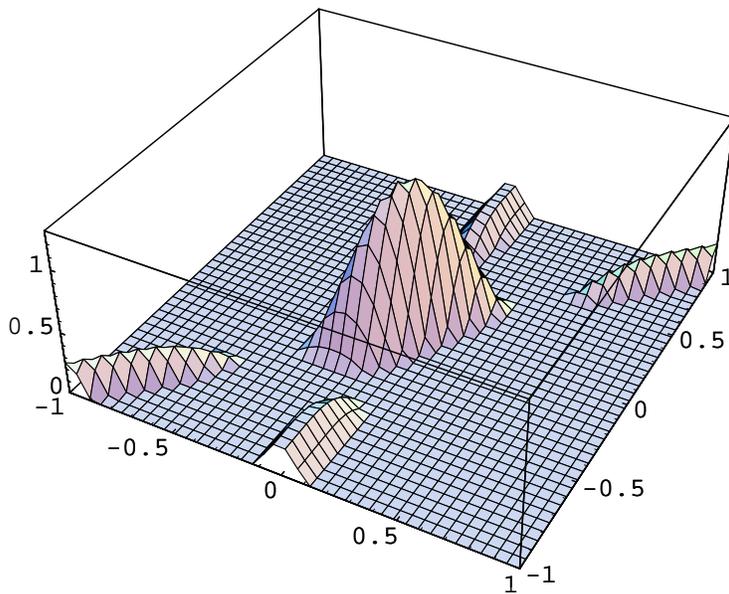
```
Pos[x_] := Max[0, x]
```

*IBinoc[] is binocular receptive field interaction function for **identical** LR receptive fields located at the corresponding points, where  $x$  is the space variable, and  $d$  is the binocular disparity.*

```
IBinoc[x_, d_] := (Exp[-5.5 x^2] Cos[2 Pi x]
+ Exp[-5.5 (x-d)^2] Cos[2 Pi (x-d)])
```

Binoc response. Axis left-bottom is  $x$ , while that going from bottom to upper-right is  $d$ . Threshold is also a factor here.

```
Plot3D[ Pos[IBinoc[x, d] -0.75],
{x, -1, 1}, {d, -1, 1},
PlotPoints -> 40,
PlotRange -> {0, 1.3}
]
```



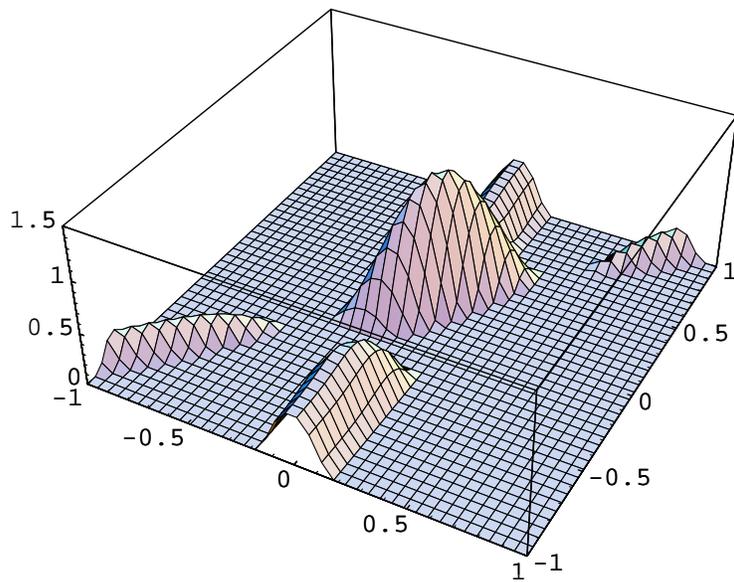
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*QBinoc[]* is binocular receptive field interaction function for **quadrature LR** receptive fields located at the corresponding points, where  $x$  is the space variable, and  $d$  is the binocular disparity.

```
QBinoc[x_, d_] := (Exp[-5.5 x^2] Cos[2 Pi x]
  - Exp[-5.5 (x-d)^2] Sin[2 Pi (x-d)])
```

Binoc response. Axis left-bottom is  $x$ , while that going from bottom to upper-right is  $d$ . Threshold is also a factor here.

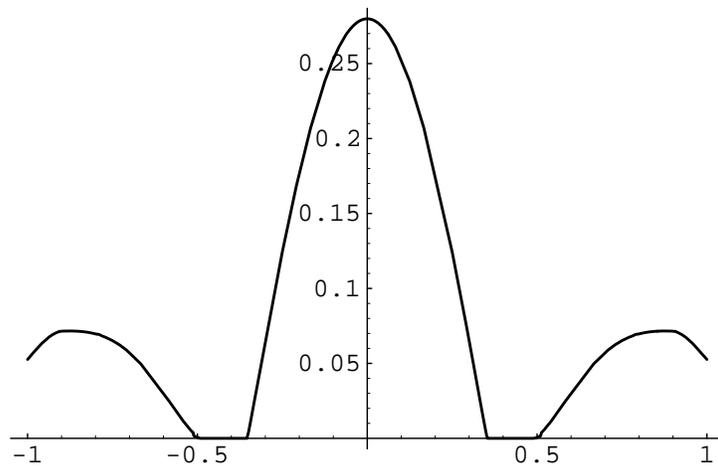
```
Plot3D[ Pos[QBinoc[x, d] -0.5],
  {x, -1, 1}, {d, -1, 1},
  PlotPoints -> 40,
  PlotRange -> {0, 1.5}
]
```



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Disparity tuning curve can be obtained by integrating the plot above for  $x$ , for each  $d$  value. This is the case for matched RF located at corresponding points.

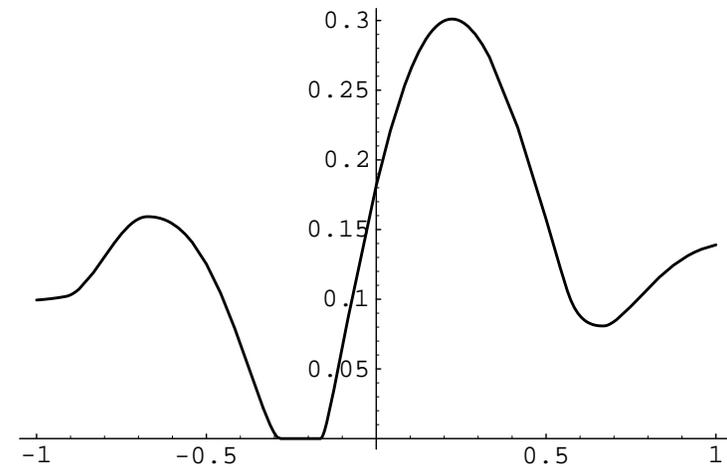
```
Plot[ NIntegrate[ Pos[IBinoc[x, d]-0.75],{x, -1, 1} ],
{d, -1, 1}
]
```



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Disparity tuning curve can be obtained by integrating the plot above for  $x$ , for each  $d$  value. This is the case for quadrature RFs located at corresponding points.

```
Plot[ NIntegrate[ Pos[QBinoc[x, d]-0.5],{x, -1, 1} ],
{d, -1, 1}
]
```



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*Binoc response for quadrature LR receptive field combination again, but try it with the same threshold as in-phase version. Note that the right eye response (sine-phase RF) disappears into the threshold.*

```
Plot3D[ Pos[QBinoc[x, d] -0.75],
{x, -1, 1}, {d, -1, 1},
PlotPoints -> 40,
PlotRange -> {0, 1.3}
]
```



```
Plot3D[ Pos[InvBinoc[x, d] -0.75],  
  
{x, -1, 1}, {d, -1, 1},  
PlotPoints -> 40,  
PlotRange -> {0, 1.0}  
]
```