

## Kavli NDI Wednesday Breakfast Meeting

Wednesday, April 3ed, 2024. 9:00 a.m.

# **Exploring uncharted dimensions** of neural representation

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A central challenge in studying the brain is that its computations are carried out in high dimensions—they rely on the coordinated interplay of immense populations of neurons. To make sense of high-dimensional neural data, neuroscientists have frequently used dimensionality reduction and argued that neural populations can be explained by a relatively small number of latent factors. I will present work that challenges this low-dimensional perspective. Using large-scale recordings from the visual cortices of both humans and mice, we have identified high-dimensional properties of sensory representations that are undetectable with conventional analysis methods. Our key findings show that the representational code of visual cortex is scale-free—its dimensionality is effectively unbounded—and that this high-dimensional code is universally shared across individuals. Furthermore, using deep neural networks, we find that high dimensionality and universality emerge in the best computational models of visual cortex. This work reveals a vast space of uncharted dimensions in neural representation that have long been overlooked but may be critical for understanding the brain



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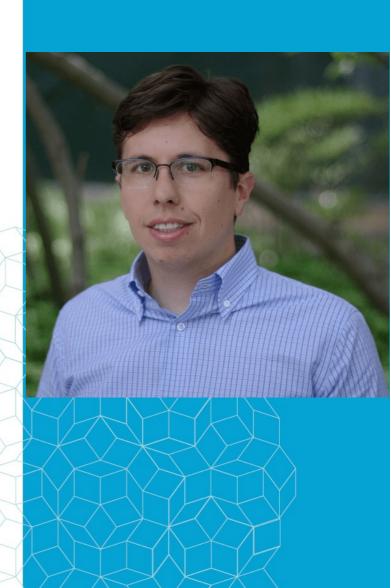
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