

Sensitivity of the N400 to the phonetics but not the phonology of Mandarin tones

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Third Tone Sandhi

/ Low . Low / → [Rise . Low]

The N400

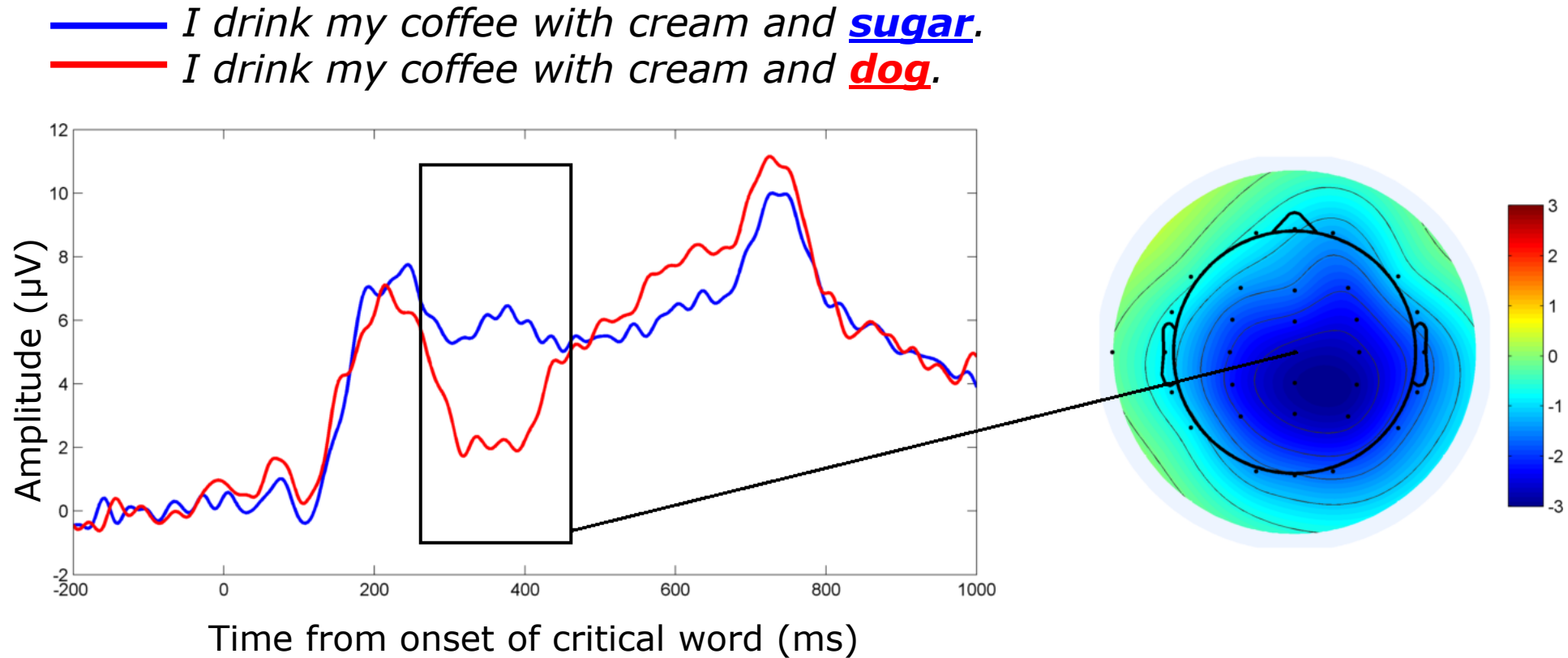
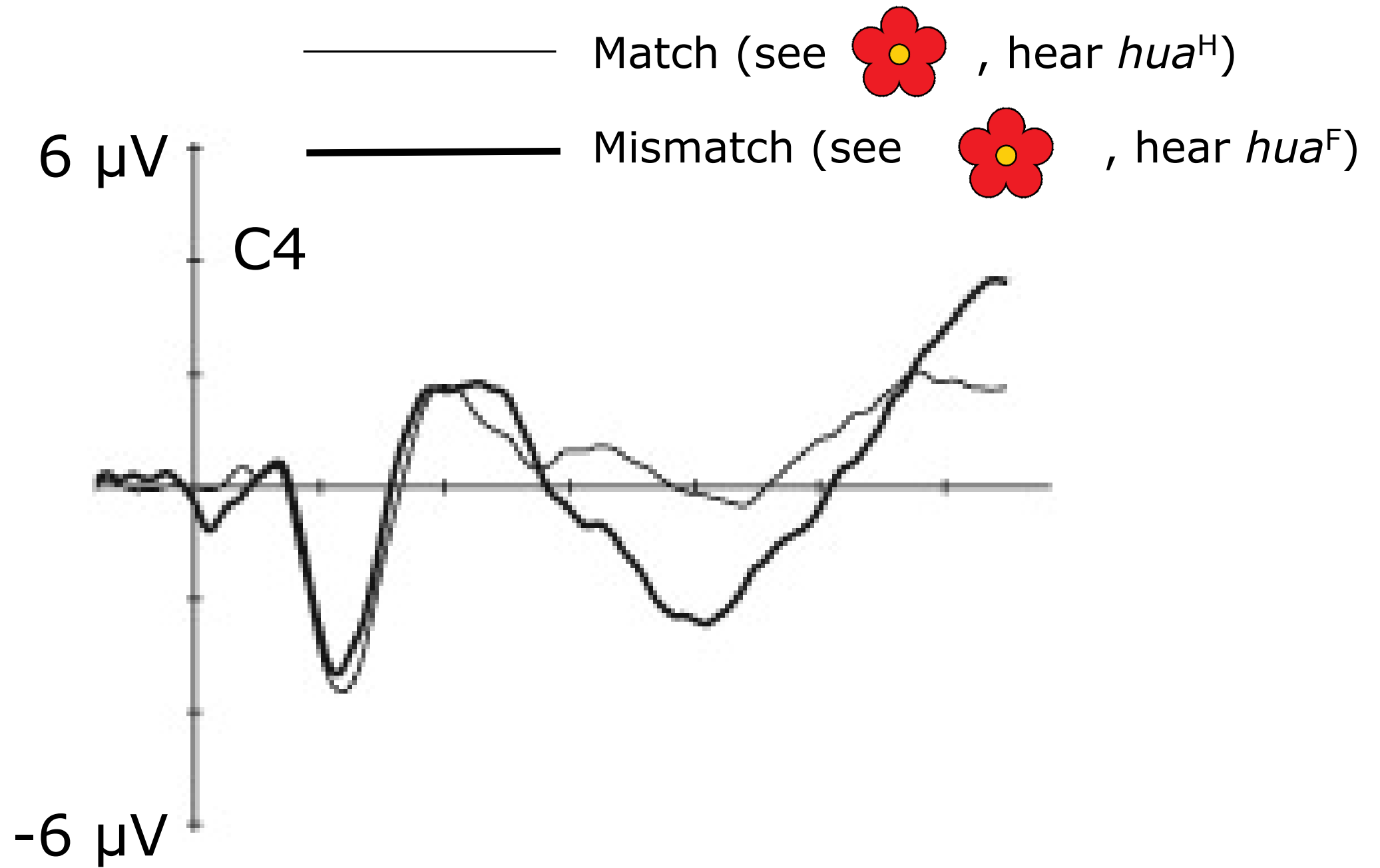
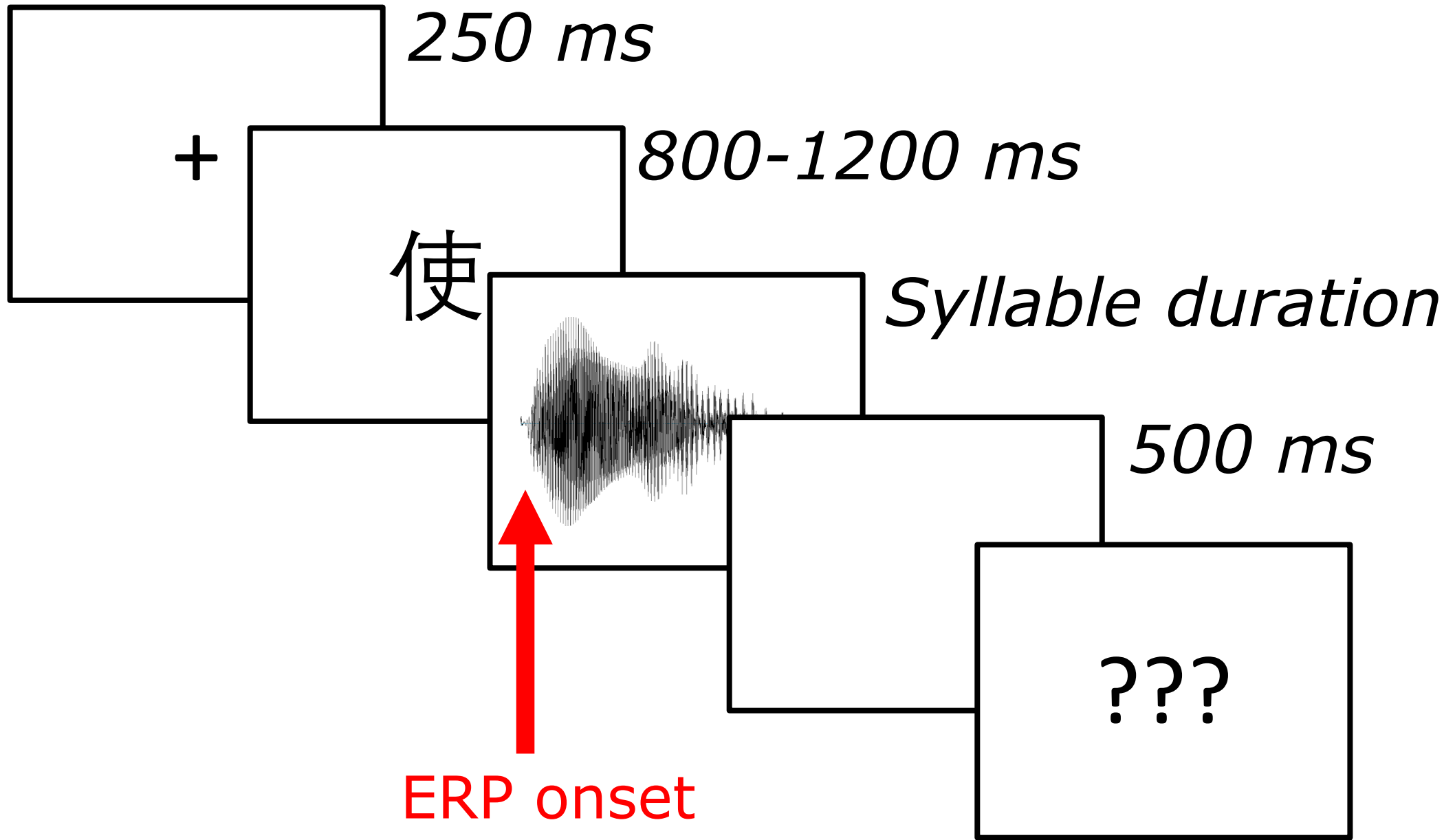


Figure adapted from Hunt, Politzer-Ahles, Gibson, Minai, & Fiorentino (2013)

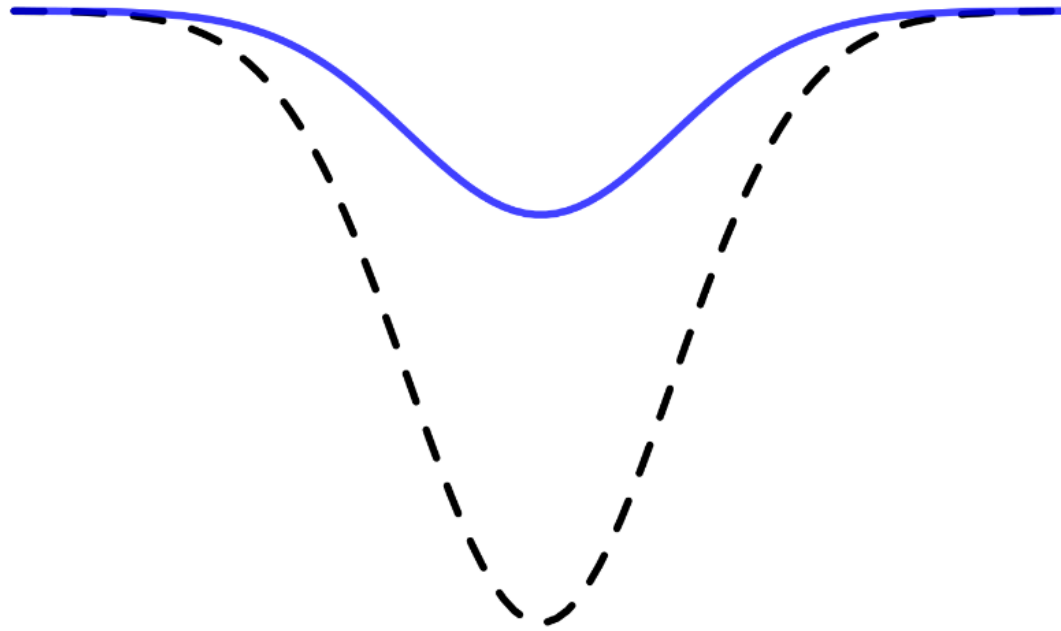


Malins & Joanisse (2012)



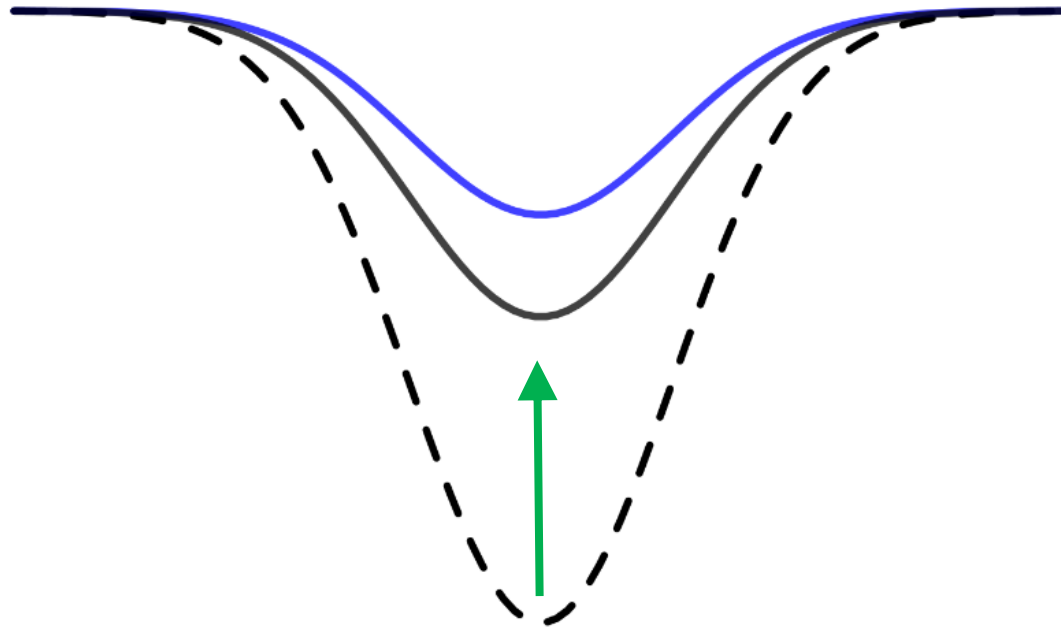
ERP onset

Hear shi^R

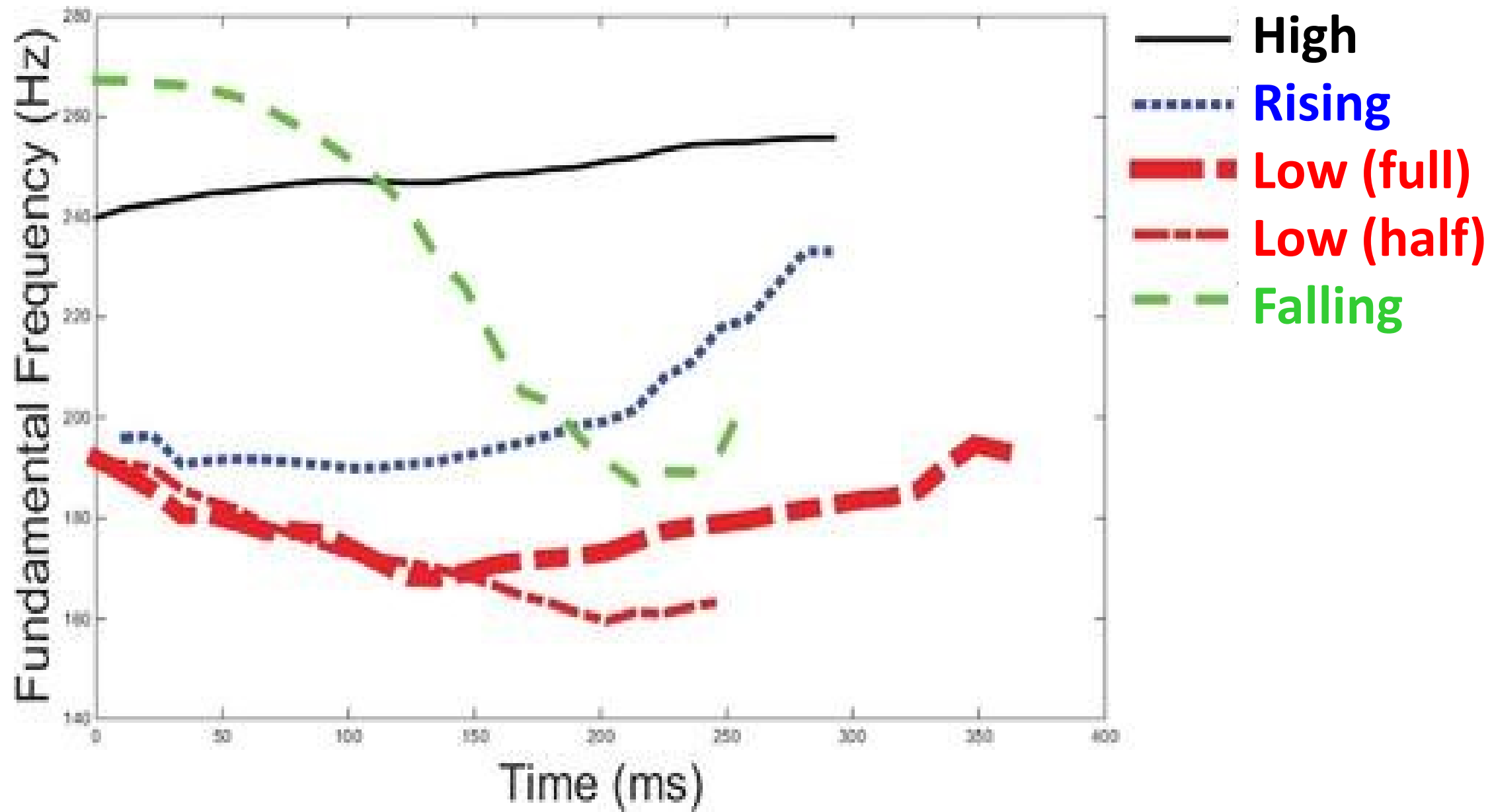


— After expecting shi^R
- - After expecting shi^H or shi^F

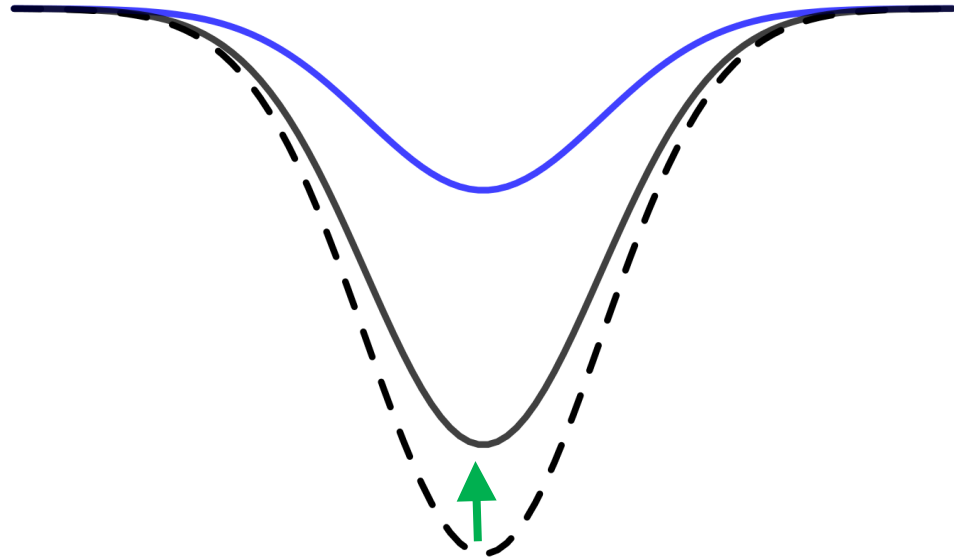
Hear shi^R



- After expecting shi^R
- After expecting shi^L
- - After expecting shi^H or shi^F

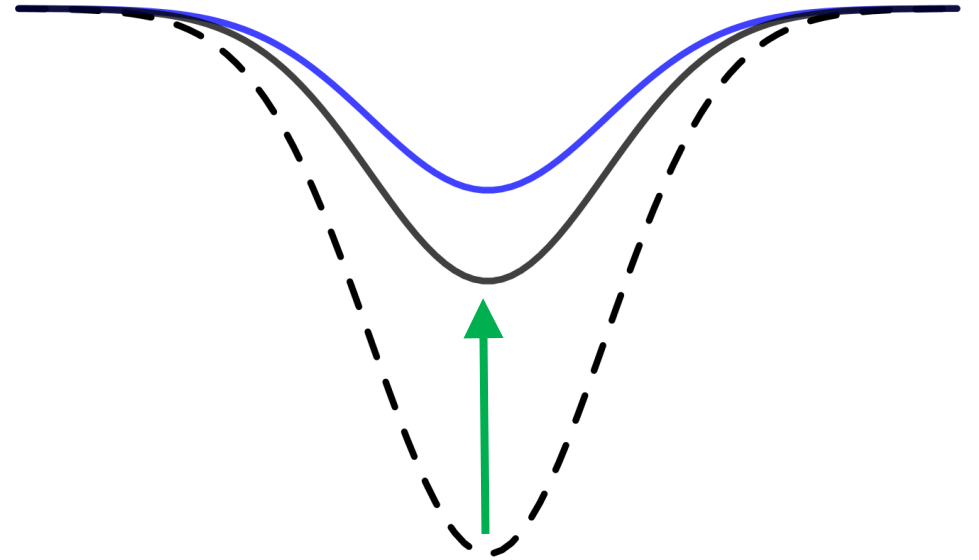


Hear shi^L



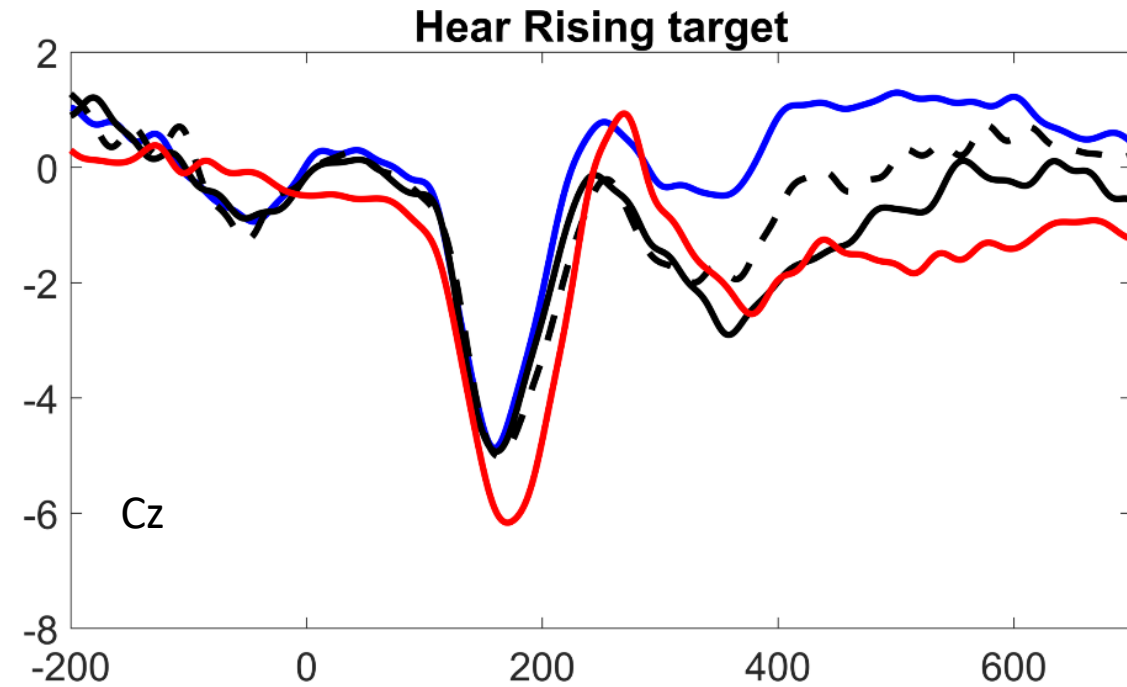
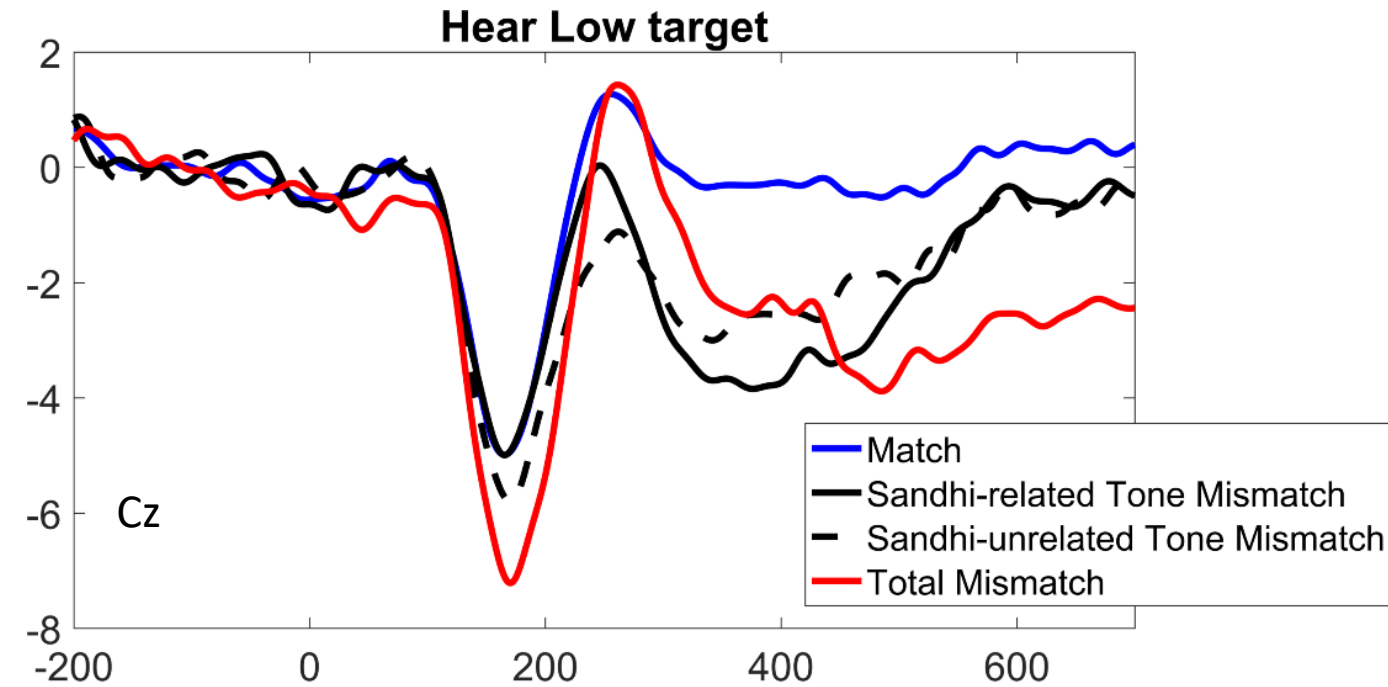
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Hear shi^R



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Preliminary results ($N=57$)



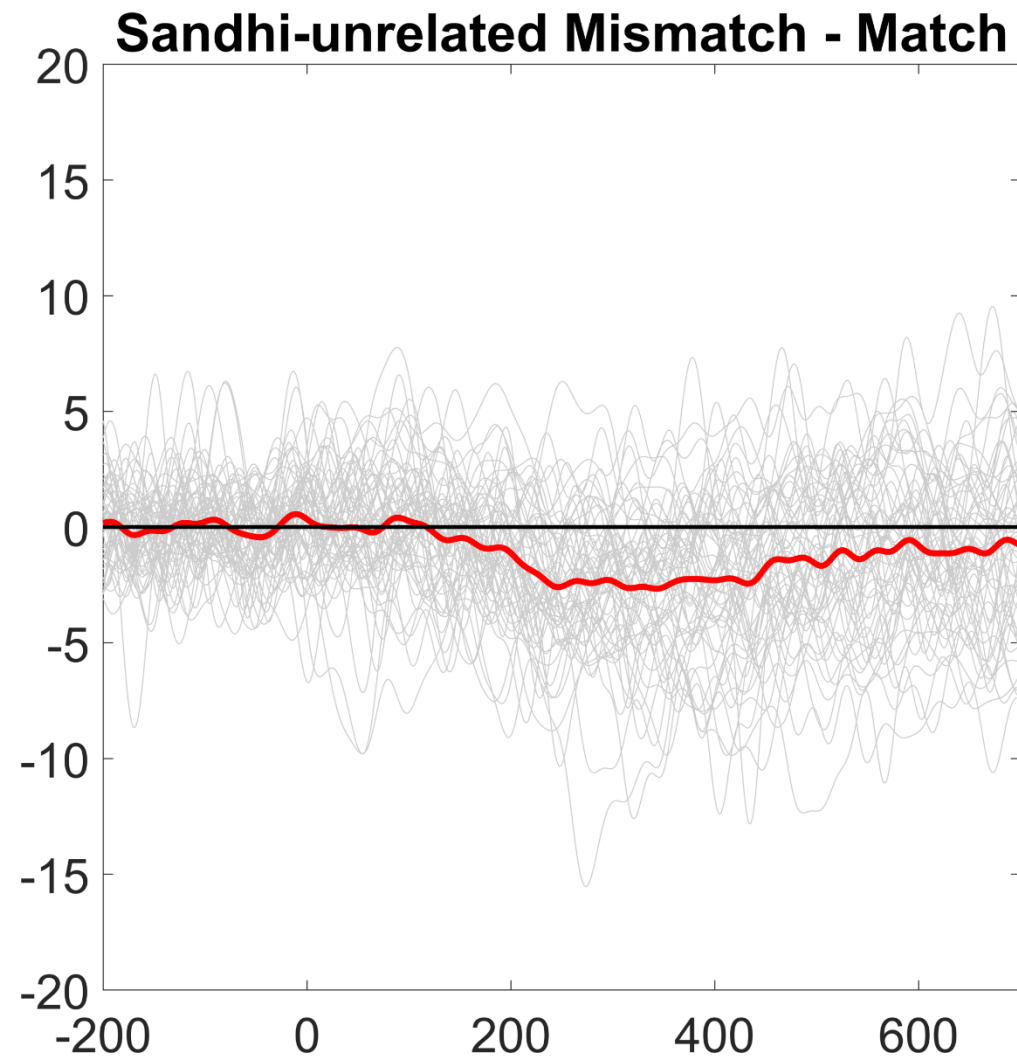
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Thank you!

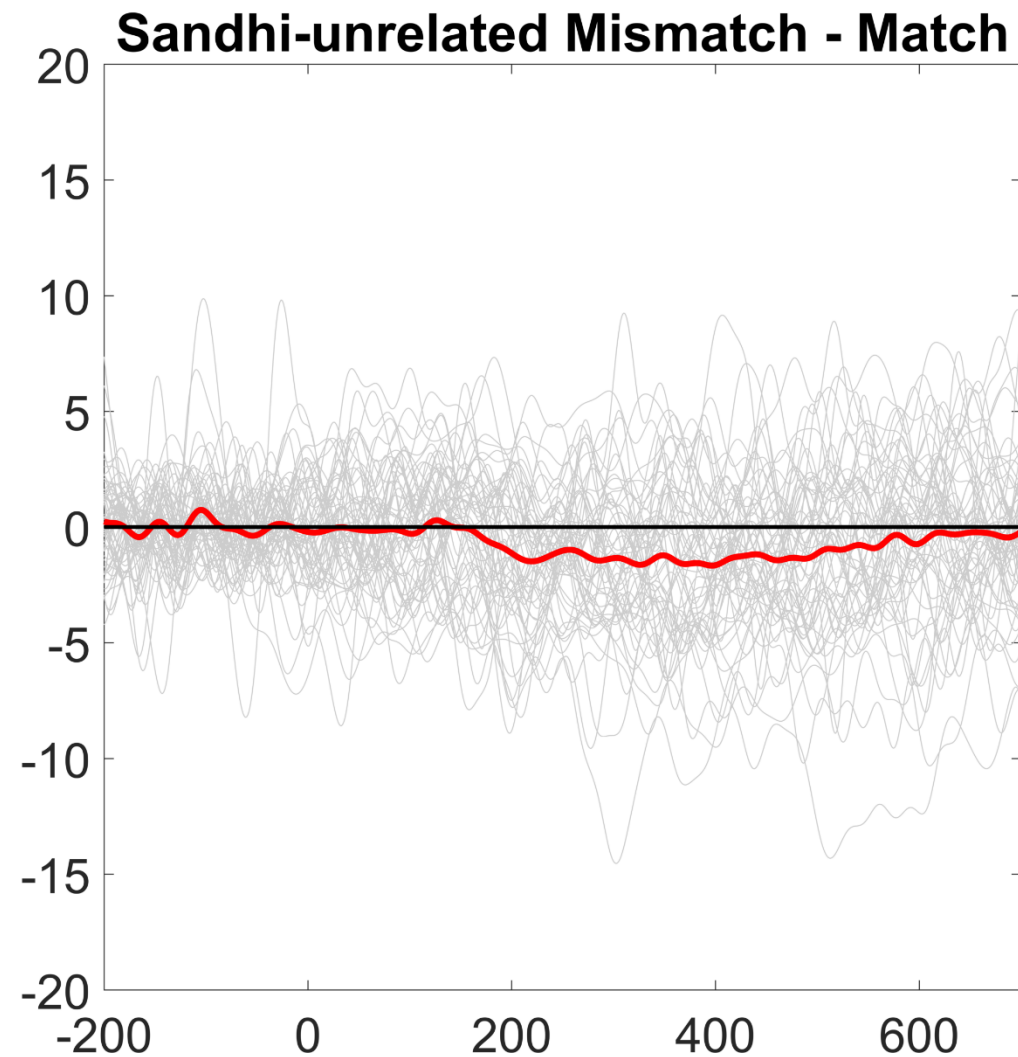
多謝!

감사합니다!

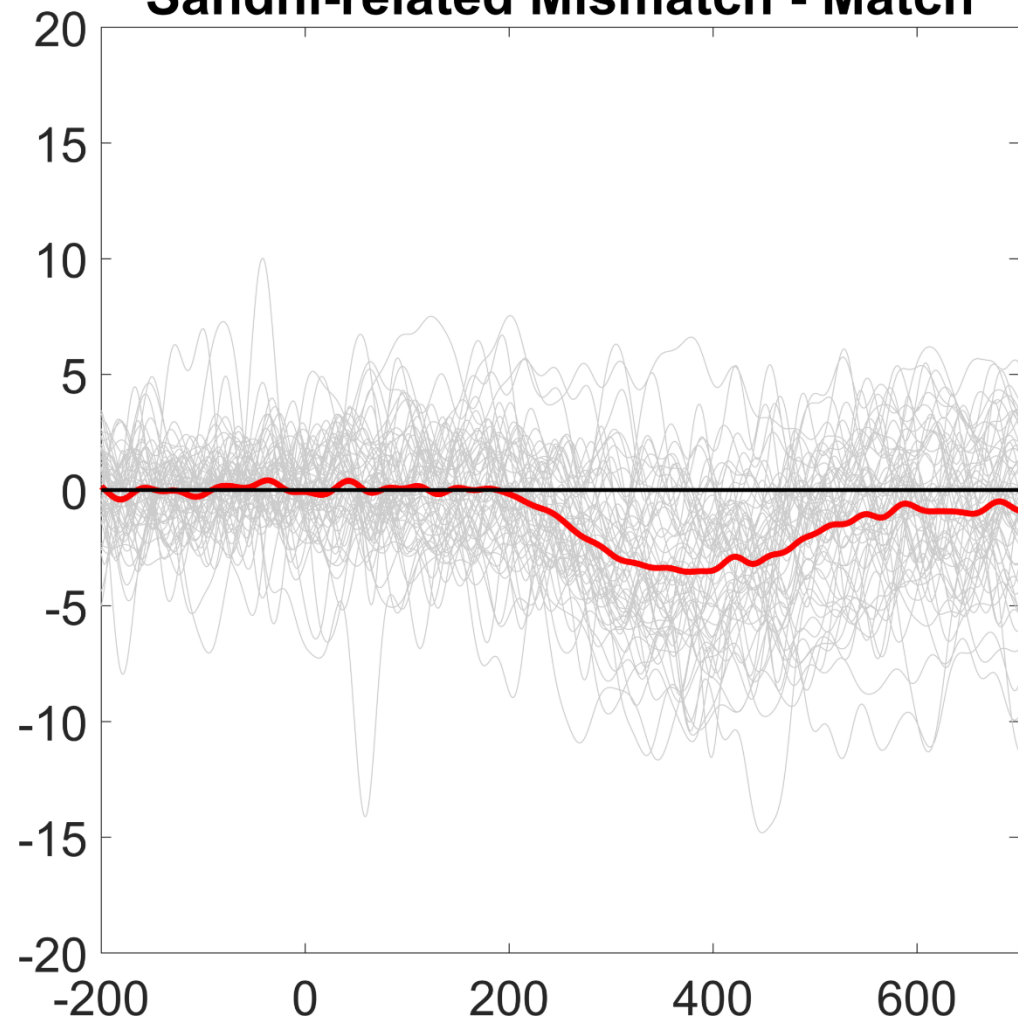
Hear Low target



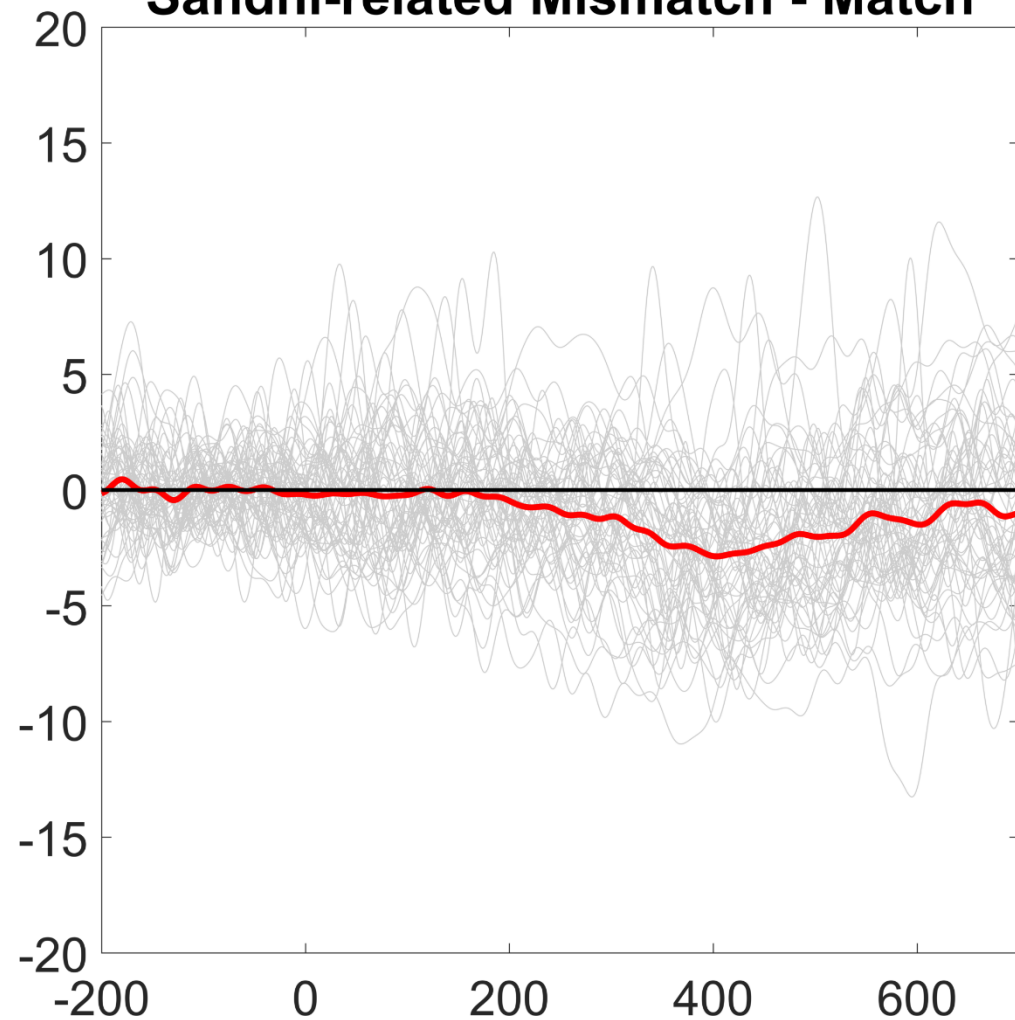
Hear Rising target



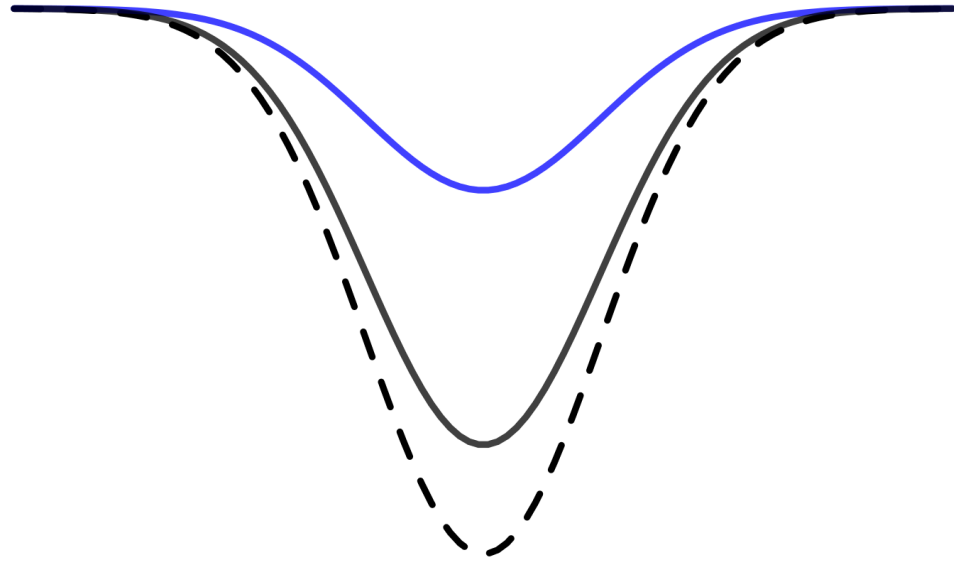
Hear Low target
Sandhi-related Mismatch - Match



Hear Rising target
Sandhi-related Mismatch - Match

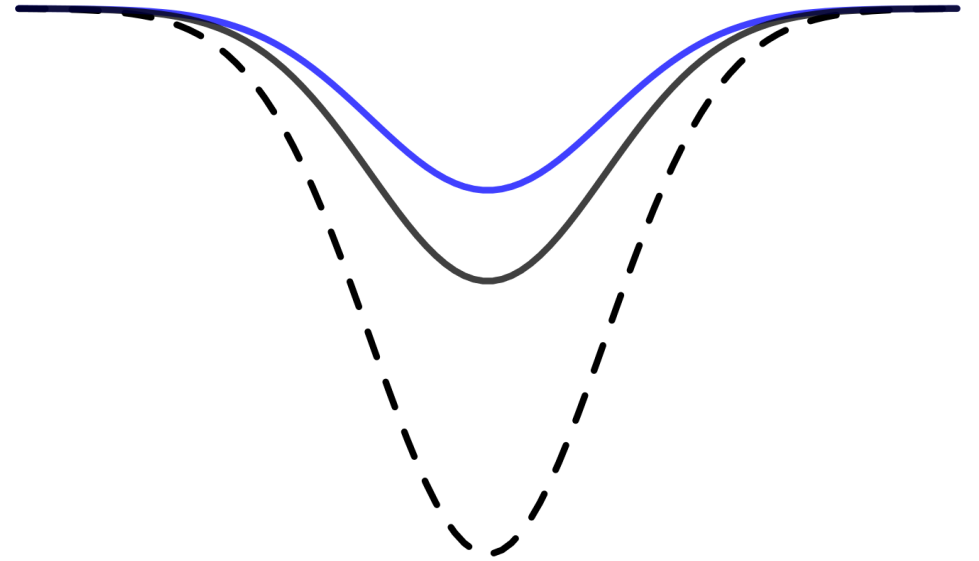


Hear shi^L



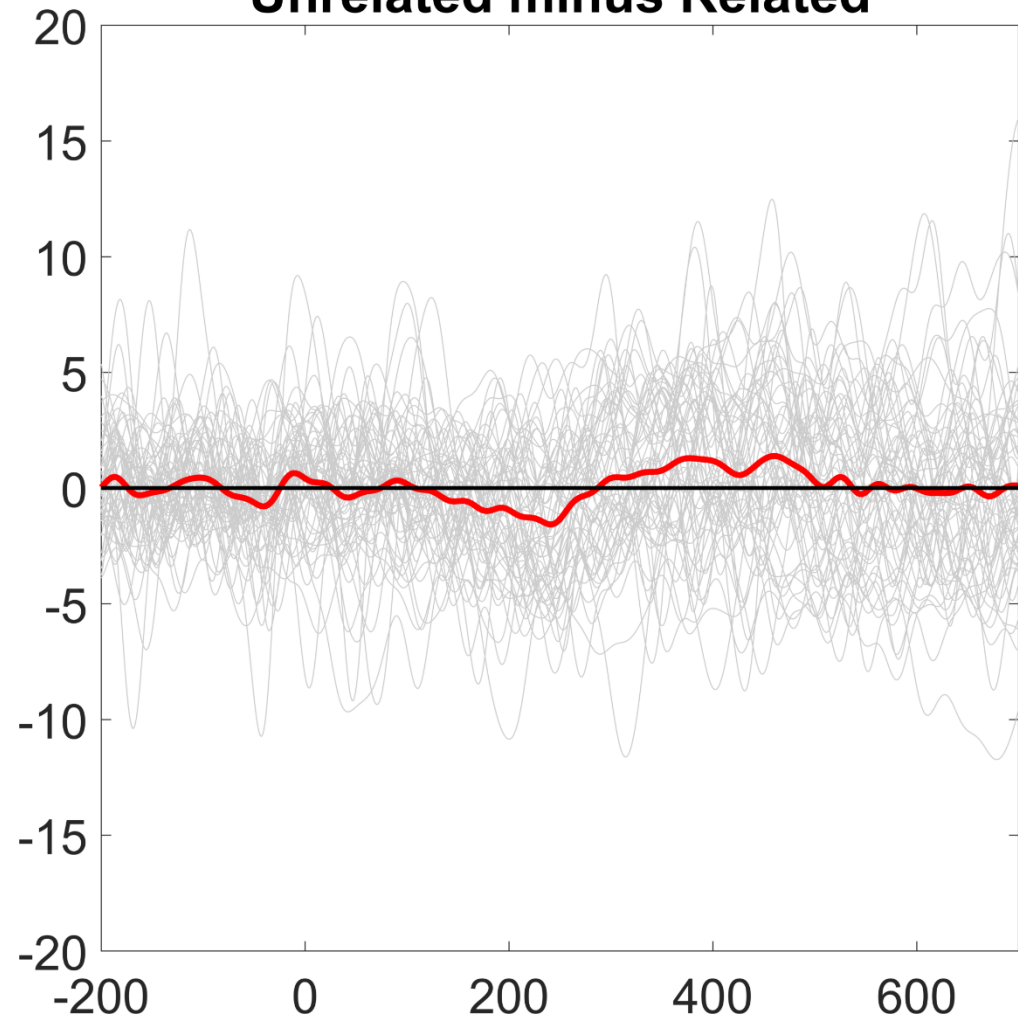
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Hear shi^R



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- After expecting shi^L
- - After expecting shi^H or shi^F

Hear Low target
Unrelated minus Related



Hear Rising target
Unrelated minus Related

