#### Idiographic, Cross-task Architectural Parameter Variation as Compu-Cognomic Data

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#### **Biospecimen and Performance Data Sources**

Project Study Ide (Acronym)		Study Identifier (Acronym)	Cohort	Stressors	Stress Duration
A2PEX ROPER		<b>NCT02057094</b> (SERE)	N = 71 all males	MARSOC SERE school: mental, physical, environmental	18 days
	(Retrospective Studies)	<b>NCT02731066</b> (HIGH)	N = 23 all males	Simulated SUSOPS with energy deficit at sustained high altitude: mental, physical, environmental	21 days
		<b>NCT02734238</b> (OPS)	N = 50 all males	Sea level training with energy deficit: mental, physical	28 days
		<b>NCT04120363</b> (OPS II)	N = 32 all males	Simulated multi-stressor SUSOPS: mental, physical	21 days
		PEERLESS (TACP TOPT)	N = 74 all males	TACP TOPT selection course: mental, physical, environmental	5 days
	udies in ogress)	Sleep Deprivation (Sleep Dep)	N* = 30	Sleep deprivation: mental, physical	27 hours
		<b>Cognitive Fatigue</b> (Cog Fatigue)	N* = 30	Cognitive fatigue: mental	14 hours
	Pr S	Physical Fatigue (Phys Fatigue)	N* = 30 DoD-affiliated personnel	Physical fatigue: mental, physical	5 days

N\* - expected number of participants

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## Suite of Cognitive Tasks in ROPER & A2PEX

	Procedural			Working Memory			Visual/Spatial		Reasoning/Decision Making			Multimodal/Multitasking					
	Study	PVT/ SRT	PRO RT	Go/ No-Go	N-Back	Code- Digit Sub	Match to Sample	Scanning Visual Vigilance	Neuro- tracker/ VisTrack	Grammatical Reasoning	Math Processing	Balloon Analog Risk Task	Ultimatum Game	AF- MATB	CA2PES	VirTra	SP- VISTa
ROPER	SERE	x								x							
	HIGH	x			x		x	x		x		x	x				
	OPS	x			x		x	x		x		x	x				
	OPS II	x			x		x	x				x	x				
	ТОРТ	x	x	x		x	х		х		x					x	
A2PEX	Sleep Deprivation	x		x	x				х		x			x	x		x
	Cognitive Fatigue	x		x	x				x		x			x	х		x
	Physical Fatigue	x		x	x												x

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- The suffix -ome refers to a totality or collective
- Compu-Cognome serves as additional data sources for multi-omic analyses
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**Compu-Cognome** (n) – collection of quantitative, symbolic, and neurofunctional mechanisms that explain and predict variation in cognitive performance.

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### Constructing a Compu-Cognome



#### Architectural Parameters Across Tasks (partial example)

 Unique opportunity in ROPER/A2PEX to gain a better understanding of the space of architectural parameters and their relationship to performance across a range of tasks

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			TASKS (example subset)				
Mechanism	Parameter	Meaning	Ρντ	N-Back	Go/No-Go		
<b>Declarative Memory</b>	:ans	activation noise (s)		х			
	:bll	activation decay (d)		X			
	:mp	mismatch penalty (similarity weighting; P)		x			
	:lf	latency factor (retrieval time; F)		x			
Procedural Memory	:dat	default action time (cognitive cycle time)	х	x	x		
	:egs	expected gain noise added to utility	х	x	х		
	:ut	utility threshold	х	x	х		
	:iu	initial utility value	х	x	х		
	:p	production value (cost)			х		
	:ppm	production partial matching	X				
Goal/Intention	:g	goal value (cost)			x		
	:ga	spreading activation value from goal buffer		x			
	:imaginal- activation	spreading activation value from imaginal buffer		x			
Fatigue	:utmc	utility threshold minute constant	x	x	X		
	:utbmc	utility threshold biomath model constant	х	х	x		
	:fpdec	fatigue procedural decrement	x	X	x		
	:fpmc	fatigue procedural minute constant	x	X	x		
	:fpbmc	fatigue procedural biomath model constant	X	X	X		

#### **OPS-II PVT – Preliminary Analyses**



#### **PVT Model & Fatigue Module**

#### • PVT Model

- 3 Production Rules
  - Wait explicitly waits during the delay
  - Attend shifts attention to the stimulus
  - Respond executes a key press once the stimulus has been attended
- Fatigue Module

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- Introduces *microlapses* requires rescheduling of conflict resolution
- Utility and Utility Threshold attenuated by biomathematical model of alertness<sup>1</sup> based on given sleep schedule

FP = :fp-percent \* (1 - :fpbmc \* biomath-prediction) \* (1 + time-on-task) :fpmc Utility = alertUtility \* FP

UT = :ut \* (1 - :utbmc \* biomath-prediction) \* (1 + time-on-task):utmc



Gunzelmann et al. (2009) model accounted very well for sleep deprivation effects on PVT performance.<sup>2</sup>

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 <sup>2</sup>Gunzelmann, G., Gross, J. B., Gluck, K. A., & Dinges, D. F. (2009). Sleep deprivation and sustained attention performance: Integrating mathematical and cognitive modeling. *Cognitive Science*, 33(5), 880-910.

#### Heterogeneity in robustness and resilience to stress

- Avg performance degrades from Baseline to Stress and rebounds during Recovery
- Extreme heterogeneity at the individual level



 Robustness: ability to maintain performance level

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• Resilience: ability to recover to baseline





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#### Parameter Optimization for Modeling Individual Performance Over Time

- Simulated Annealing
  - random search optimization method with systematic component for searching for the global optimum
    - Speed vs Completeness in search space
      - Escapes local minima (with enough iterations)
    - Handles complex parameter spaces well
    - optimSA package in R can only specify one objective function
- Objective Function

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- RMSE between distributions of RTs for Humans vs Model
- Also explored squared Pearson Correlation Coefficient (r<sup>2</sup>)
- Initial Param Opt with 4 Edge-case Participants
  - Very low temp and few iterations
    - only ~150 samples per participant (7hr to solution)



		Resilience			
		Best	Worst		
Robustness	Best	<u>A00-07-3350</u>	<u>A00-07-0209</u>		
	Worst	<u>A00-07-2429</u>	<u>A00-07-7829</u>		

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### Identifying Parameters to Characterize Individuals



#### r<sup>2</sup> better at fitting longitudinal patterns

#### RMSE





#### What's Next?

- Expand set of models
  - Acquired models of N-back and Go/No-Go. Can we find any more?
  - Will create our own models of other tasks.
- Scale up parameter optimization methods to model individual heterogeneity in stress response
  - Multiple studies X many participants X multiple tasks X multiple days





#### **Modeling Approach Considerations**

- Modeling individual tasks separately does not inherently account for intraindividual architectural constraints
  - Theoretically, same architectural parameters for explaining performance in one task should also explain performance in another task
- Modeling multiple tasks performed by the same model is desirable
  - Cognitive Supermodels<sup>1</sup> (Salvucci, <u>ACT-R Workshop 2010</u>)
  - Primitive Operations<sup>2</sup> (Taatgen, <u>ACT-R Workshop 2017</u>)



<sup>1</sup>Salvucci D. D. (2013). Integration and reuse in cognitive skill acquisition. Cognitive science, 37(5), 829–860. https://doi.org/10.1111/cogs.12032
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### **Decisions for Scaling up Parameter Optimization**

- Programming language:
  - R fits within current data pipeline, many parameter optimization packages available
  - Python newer and more advanced parameter optimization packages available 0
  - LÍSP fits current modeling language; potentially computationally faster; need to code our own algorithm = more overhead
- **Optimization Method:** 
  - Multitude of possibilities to choose from! (brute-force; random; SA; Genetic; Bayesian; etc.)
  - Important needs:
    - Computational efficiency
    - Parallelization (may need high performance computing center/cluster)
    - Systematic search
    - Multiple Objective Functions?
- Objective Functions:

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- RMSE/D Root Mean Squared Error/Deviation
   r<sup>2</sup> squared Pearson correlation coefficient
- R<sup>2</sup> Coefficient of Determination
- Maximum Likelihood Estimation (Stocco et al., in prep; Fisher, Houpt, & Gunzelmann, 2022)
- Multiple Objective Functions?
- Data interpolation could help reduce model run time (Moore & Gunzelmann, 2014)

Moore, R. L. & Gunzelmann, G. (2014). An interpolation approach for fitting computationally intensive models. Cognitive Systems Research, 29-30, 53-65.

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## BACKUP

## Resilience to Optimize PERformance (ROPER)

#### What are the fundamental bases of stress response heterogeneity?



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