



# ODE and DDE in PODE

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# Overview

## *ODEs and DDEs*

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- Introduction
- Sensitivities & (P)FIM
- Deriving sensitivities from ODEs & DDEs
  - Comparison of various methods
  - Speed and numerical robustness
- Graphical displays of information
  - Sensitivities & Generalized sensitivities

# Introduction

## *ODEs and DDEs*

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- Models with closed-form solutions often intuitive enough
  - PK sampling time points from clinical pharmacologist fine
- Non-linear PK and PK/PD models need design information
  - Michaelis-Menten elimination
  - Binding model and its approximations
  - Indirect response models
  - Lifespan models
  - ...
- More complex models: ODEs or DDEs

# Derivation of (P)FIM starts with sensitivities

*Sensitivities of solution w.r.t. parameters*

- For approximation of the (P)FIM sensitivities are necessary

$$M_F(\Psi, \xi) \cong \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f^T(\beta, \xi)}{\partial \beta} V^{-1} \frac{\partial f(\beta, \xi)}{\partial \beta} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2}F \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Retout et al., 2001}$$

$$\text{where } F_{jk} = \text{tr} \left( V^{-1} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \lambda_j} V^{-1} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \lambda_k} \right)$$

$$V \cong \frac{\partial f^T(\beta, \xi)}{\partial \beta} \Omega \frac{\partial f(\beta, \xi)}{\partial \beta} + \sigma^2 I_n$$

- PFIM block of fixed effects and variance terms are derived using the sensitivities

# Definition of Sensitivities

*Partial derivatives of solution – possibly normalized*

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- Sensitivities: derivatives of solution w.r.t. parameters

The sensitivity of a state  $x_k$  to a parameter  $p_j$  is defined as the derivative

$$\frac{dx_k}{dp_j}(p, q, \dots) = \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial p_j} + \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial p_i} \frac{\partial p_i}{\partial p_j} + \sum_i \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial q_i} \frac{\partial q_i}{\partial p_j} + \dots$$

The sensitivity can be normalized by the parameter and/or the state variable

$$\frac{dx_k(t)}{dp_j} \frac{p_j}{x_k(t)}$$

- Different methods are available to derive these sensitivities
- Computationally most costly part when using ODEs/DDEs

# Sensitivities: Numerical Derivatives of Results

*Similar for analytical functions and ODEs/DDEs*

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- Numerical approximations using finite differences
  - Higher order finite difference equations
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> order central or forward/backward finite differences
      - No error control
    - *fdHess* uses a second-order response surface design known as a Koschal design – then gradient is by-product
      - High precision, but needs resources for deriving Hessian
  - Iterative approach with finite differences
    - *jacobian* using Richardson's extrapolation
      - High accuracy with little overhead

*Function names from "R"*

# Sensitivities: By Integration of Partial Derivatives

*Extend right-hand side in integration partial derivatives*

- By changing the order of integral and differential one can derive the sensitivities within the integration routine

For ODEs this gives in detail

**variables for integral**  $\rightarrow$   $\frac{dx_k}{dp_j}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}, t) = \int \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial p_j} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial t} \right] + \sum_i \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial t} \right] \cdot \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial p_j} dt.$

**RHS of ODEs**  $\rightarrow$   $\frac{\partial}{\partial p_j} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial t}$  (green arrow)  
 $\rightarrow$   $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial t}$  (red arrow)  
 $\rightarrow$   $\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial p_j}$  (red arrow)

**partial deriv to param**  $\rightarrow$   $\frac{\partial}{\partial p_j} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial t}$  (green arrow)  
**partial deriv to states**  $\rightarrow$   $\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial t}$  (green arrow)

**variables for integral**  $\rightarrow$   $\frac{\partial x_i}{\partial p_j}$  (blue arrow)

- Partial derivatives of the right-hand side (RHS) are needed
  - Can be specified manually or derived using automatic differentiation

# Sensitivities: By Integration of Partial Derivatives

*Similarly for DDEs*

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- DDEs can be handled similarly – except for the delay itself

For ODEs this gives in detail

$$\frac{dx_k}{dp_j}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}, t) = \int \frac{\partial}{\partial p_j} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial t} + \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial t} \cdot \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial p_j} dt.$$

Whereas for DDEs with delay  $\tau$  the sensitivity can be calculated as follows

$$\frac{dx_k}{dp_j}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}, t) = \int \frac{\partial}{\partial p_j} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial t} + \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial t} \cdot \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial p_j} + \sum_i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i^\tau} \frac{\partial x_k}{\partial t} \cdot \frac{\partial x_i^\tau}{\partial p_j} dt.$$

- Colleagues at NCSU & Graz University tried to come up with a general form for the sensitivity to the delay...
  - to no avail



# Automatic differentiation

*No package available on CRAN*

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- Automatic differentiation comes in different flavours
  - Deriving the derivative “on-the-fly” with operator-overloading
  - Parsing the code and providing the derivative as a function
  
- Matlab has several packages
  - myAD (M Fink, 2005)
    - <http://www.mathworks.ch/matlabcentral/fileexchange/15235-automatic-differentiation-for-matlab>
  - adiff (W McIlhagga, 2010)
    - <http://www.mathworks.ch/matlabcentral/fileexchange/26807-automatic-differentiation-with-matlab-objects>
  - MAD (TOMLAB) – commercial software
  
- Now, preliminary implementation in R as S4-class

# Comparison of methods for ODEs

*Various methods available in R*

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- Analytical solution (if available)
- Numerical derivative of solution
  - fdHess
  - Jacobian
- Simultaneous integration using partial differentials
  - User provided partial differentials
  - Automatic differentiation
  - Numerical differentiation
- Optimal solution would be user specified model in C/C++

# Comparison of methods

*2 examples to investigate accuracy and speed*

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- Example 1:  $dy = -k_e * y$ 
  - Analytical solution known
  - Investigate both ODE & analytical solution
  
- Example 2: PK/PD
  - Example 1 coupled with turnover model (stimulating  $k_{out}$ )
  - Only keeping sensitivities of PD
  - 5 parameters

# Comparison of methods

*High accuracy: automatic differentiation, speed: iterative jacobian*

	Analytic	ODE User	ODE myRAD	Hessian Solution	Jacobian Solution
Ex 1 accuracy	Ref	1.5e-5	1.5e-5	3.5e-5	3.3e-5
Ex 1 time	<0.01	0.19	34.25	15.97	1.37
Ex 2 accuracy		Ref	as Ref	1.1e-5	6.0e-6
Ex 2 time		0.56	107.70	416.67	35.13

- Solving ODE with jacobian instead of myRAD does not work
- Time given in sec for 10 runs
- Accuracy given as mean diff from analytic or user supplied solution

# Comparison of methods

*How much accuracy is necessary?*

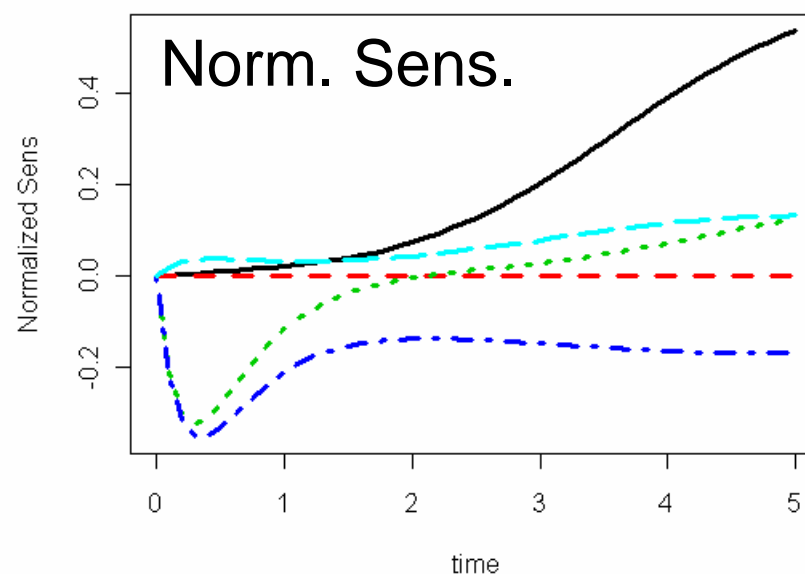
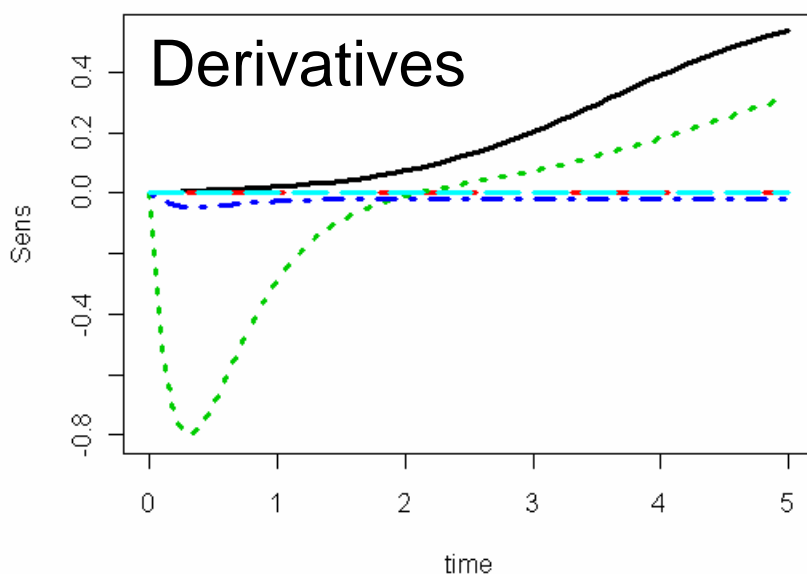
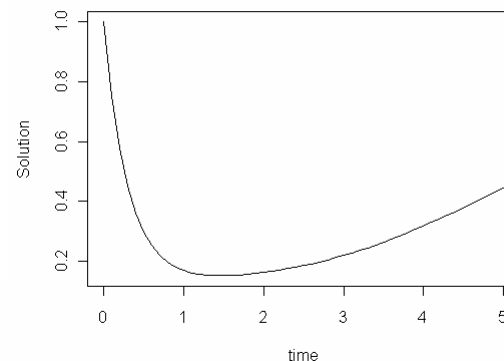
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- How much influence does accuracy of sensitivities have on PFIM?
- How accurate are the standard error-estimates?
- Important to investigate numerical error propagation

# Graphical display of information

## Plotting normalized sensitivities

- Important to plot normalized sensitivities!
  - Proportional changes important



# Generalized sensitivity function (GSF)

*K Thomaseth & C Cobelli. Ann Biomed Eng 27:607-616, 1999*

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- Display information increase over time - normalized to [0, 1]
  - No variance-covariance included (possible to extend to PFIM)

$$y(t_k) = f(t_k, \boldsymbol{\theta}) + e(t_k), \quad k = 1, \dots, M, \quad (1)$$

... motivates the introduction of GSF defined at the time points  $\{t_k, k = 1, \dots, M\}$ ,  $\mathbf{gs}(t_k)$ , that show how the effect of variations in the true parameters on their estimates distributes during the experiment

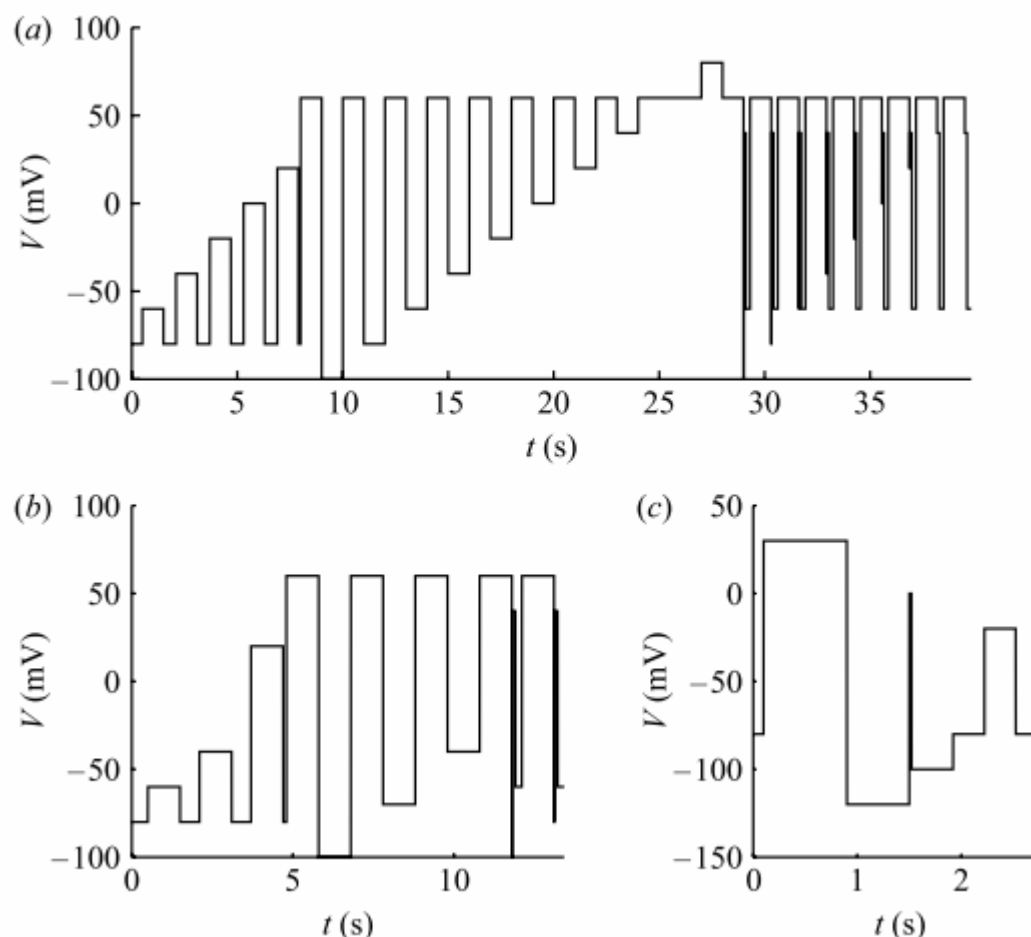
$$\mathbf{gs}(t_k) = \sum_{i=1}^k \left\{ \left( \left[ \sum_{j=1}^M \frac{1}{\sigma^2(t_j)} \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} f(t_j, \boldsymbol{\theta}_0) \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} f(t_j, \boldsymbol{\theta}_0)' \right]^{-1} \times \frac{\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} f(t_i, \boldsymbol{\theta}_0)}{\sigma^2(t_i)} \right) \cdot \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} f(t_i, \boldsymbol{\theta}_0) \right\}. \quad (17)$$

# Generalized Sensitivity: Cardiac electrophysiology

*General experimental setup very elaborate – which parts to select?*

## ■ Ion channel measurements using various protocols

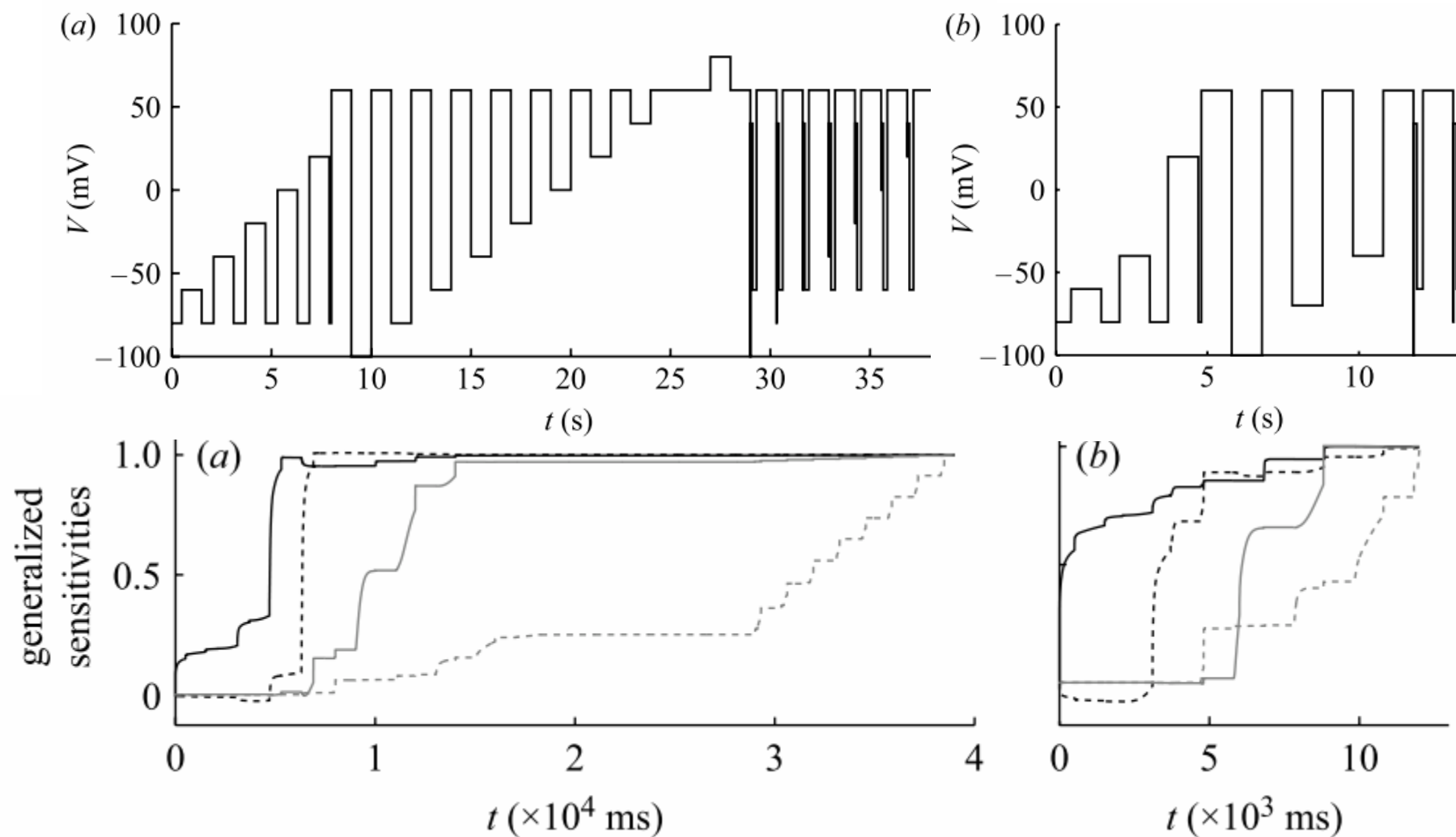
- All collated in (a)
- Clamping the cross-membrane voltage while measuring the current
- A lot of redundant information collected – can one skip parts? (b) or even (c)?





# Generalized Sensitivity: Cardiac electrophysiology

Protocol (b) was designed using the generalized sensitivities



# Generalized Sensitivity: Respiratory system

*A complex system with many parameters*

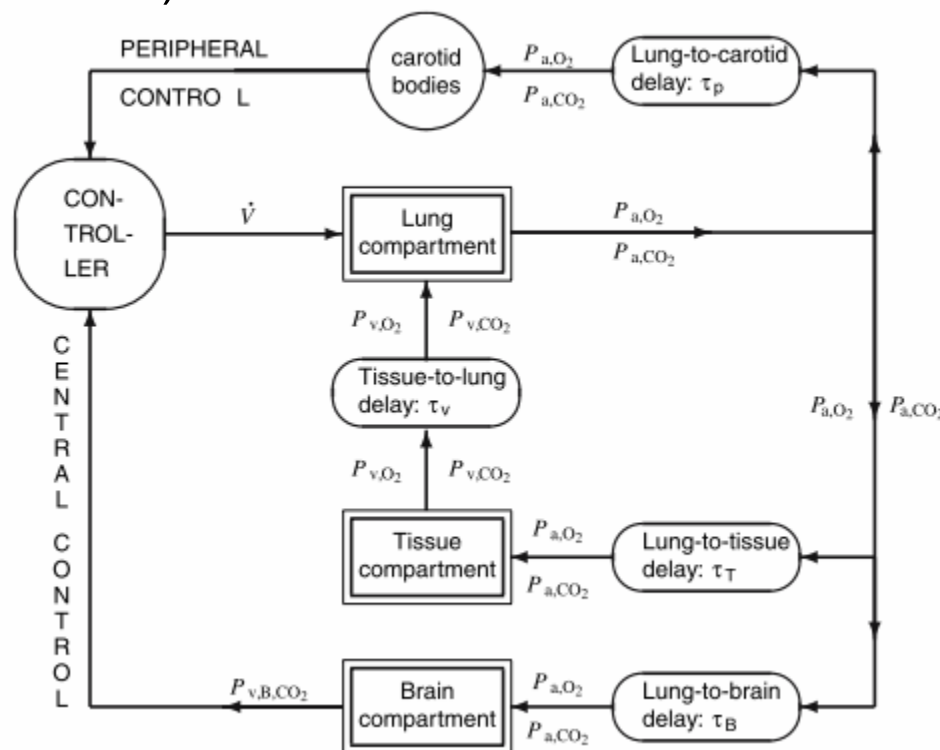
## ■ Two main influences/controls of respiration

- Central control (brain)
- Peripheral control (carotid arteries)

## ■ Several measurements

- Partial pressures  $\text{CO}_2/\text{O}_2$ 
  - Transcutaneous
  - Arterial
- Ventilation

## ■ Clinical: $\text{CO}_2$ challenge

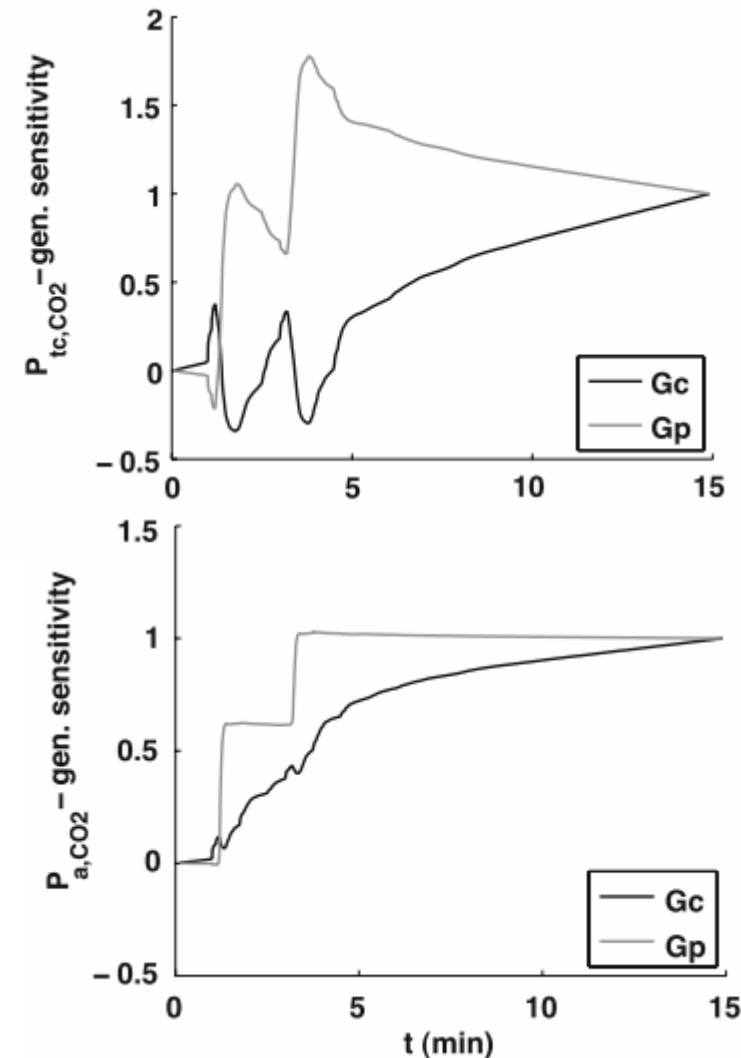
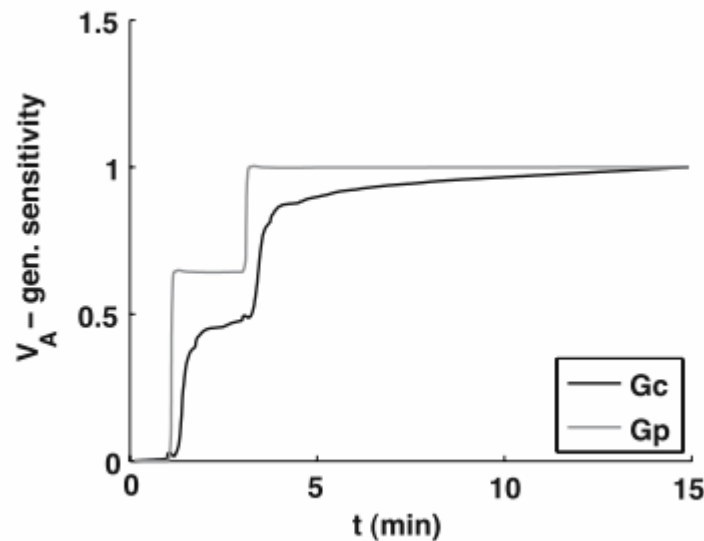


# Generalized Sensitivity: Respiratory system

*A complex system with many parameters*

## ■ Measurements

- Transcutaneous was sub-optimal  
Information interdependent
- Arterial measurements better
- Ventilation best as non-invasive



# Summary

*Sensitivities are essential to derive and understand*

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- Automatic differentiation is great but a bit slow
- Iterative numerical derivatives seem perfect
- Open question
  - How much influence does accuracy of sensitivities have on PFIM?
- Plotting normalized sensitivities for user information
- Generalized sensitivities
  - Great concept and has been very helpful
  - Still some properties not well understood