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## **Predictive orientation remapping maintains a stable retinal percept**

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1 **Abstract**

2 Despite motion on the retina with every saccade, we perceive the world as  
3 stable. But whether this stability is a result of neurons constructing a spatial map  
4 or continually remapping a retinal representation is unclear. Previous work has  
5 focused on the perceptual consequences of shifts in the horizontal and vertical  
6 dimensions, but torsion is another key component in ocular orienting that – unlike  
7 horizontal and vertical movements – produces a natural misalignment between  
8 spatial and retinal coordinates. Here we took advantage of oblique eye  
9 orientation-induced retinal torsion to examine perisaccadic orientation perception.  
10 We found that orientation perception was largely predicted by the retinal image  
11 throughout each trial. Surprisingly however, we observed a significant  
12 presaccadic remapping of the percept consistent with maintaining a stable (but  
13 spatially inaccurate) retinotopic perception throughout the saccade. These  
14 findings strongly suggest that our seamless perceptual stability relies on  
15 retinotopic signals that are remapped with each saccade.

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17 **Introduction**

18 We move our eyes all the time, and with every movement we induce massive  
19 shifts of the retinal projection. Despite this motion, we can keep track of both the  
20 locations and features (e.g. orientation) of objects in space. To achieve such  
21 stability, the perceptual system is thought to compensate for each eye movement  
22 using predictive remapping. Separate recordings from distinct retinotopic areas  
23 have revealed that receptive fields (RFs) presaccadically modulate their spatial  
24 tuning by either shifting (Zirnsak, Steinmetz, Noudoost, Xu, & Moore, 2014) or  
25 expanding (J. Duhamel, Colby, & Goldberg, 1992; Wang et al., 2016) towards the  
26 target. Consequently, these presaccadic RF modulations are assumed to be  
27 involved in the maintenance of perceptual stability, though how is unclear. Two  
28 potential explanations that have garnered some recent debate (D. Burr, Tozzi, &  
29 Morrone, 2007; J. R. Duhamel, Bremmer, Ben Hamed, & Graf, 1997; Harrison &  
30 Bex, 2014; Harrison, Mattingley, & Remington, 2012; Melcher, 2005; Morris,  
31 Bremmer, & Krekelberg, 2016; Turi & Burr, 2012; Zimmermann, Burr, & Morrone,  
32 2011; Zimmermann, Morrone, Fink, & Burr, 2013; Zirnsak & Moore, 2014) are  
33 that either these RF modulations predictively remap a retinotopic representation  
34 purely in compensation for the upcoming retinal motion or they are involved in  
35 constructing a stable spatial map of the visual scene.

36 Previous remapping work has only considered two-dimensional (2D)  
37 motion on the retina when in fact, shifts in the third, torsional dimension (i.e.,  
38 around a rotation axis parallel to the line of sight) is also present during almost  
39 any eye movement and is a key component of ocular orienting. For example,

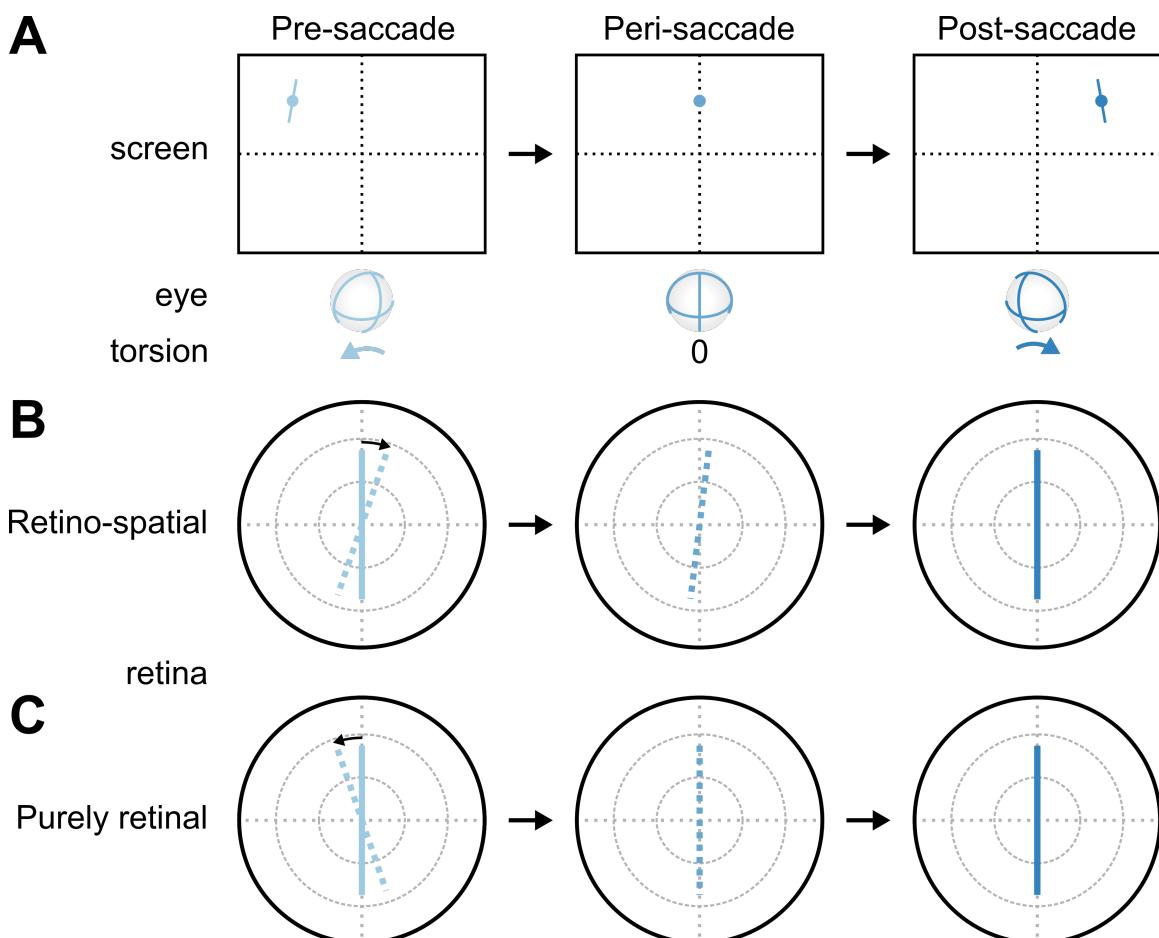
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40 retinal torsion can be induced by ocular counter-roll during head roll (Blohm &  
41 Lefèvre, 2010; Murdison, Paré-Bingley, & Blohm, 2013), by the natural tilt of  
42 Listing's plane (Blohm, Khan, Ren, Schreiber, & Crawford, 2008), or by simply  
43 manipulating the geometry of the retinal projection using oblique gaze  
44 orientations (Blohm & Lefèvre, 2010) (which, importantly, does not require any  
45 mechanical torsion of the eyeball). Historically, differentiating between the retinal  
46 and spatial models has been impossible without linking remapping to exogenous  
47 factors such as visual attention (Harrison et al., 2012; Mathôt & Theeuwes, 2010;  
48 Rolfs, Jonikaitis, Deubel, & Cavanagh, 2011), the motion (Turi & Burr, 2012) or  
49 tilt (Melcher, 2007) after-effects, or object features (Julie D. Golomb, L'Heureux,  
50 & Kanwisher, 2014; Harrison & Bex, 2014). Conveniently, torsion provides a  
51 natural misalignment between retinal and spatial coordinates for which the  
52 perceptual system must directly compensate. Here, we geometrically induced  
53 torsional shifts by projecting a frontoparallel stimulus onto the retina during  
54 movements to and from oblique eye orientations (oblique orientation-induced  
55 retinal torsion, ORT, Fig. 1A). Past work has found that ORT influences  
56 orientation perception in a retinally predicted way during fixation (Haustein &  
57 Mittelstaedt, 1990; Nakayama & Balliet, 1977), yet no study has examined how  
58 ORT affects orientation perception during ongoing eye movements.

59 There are three possible perceptual outcomes of predictive remapping  
60 across torsional shifts. First, there might be no predictive remapping, with  
61 orientation perception adhering to ORT (Haustein & Mittelstaedt, 1990;  
62 Nakayama & Balliet, 1977) throughout the movement (null model). Second, the

63 perceptual system might use an estimate of the future retino-spatial geometry to  
64 presaccadically and predictively tilt perception *towards* the final ORT, ahead of  
65 the eyes (retino-spatial model, Fig. 1B). Third, the perceptual system might  
66 presaccadically tilt perception *away* from the final orientation, allowing a  
67 retinotopic perception to move with the eyes (purely retinal model, Fig. 1C). Here  
68 we provide strong evidence in support of the purely retinal model using ORT  
69 during a perisaccadic orientation perception task.

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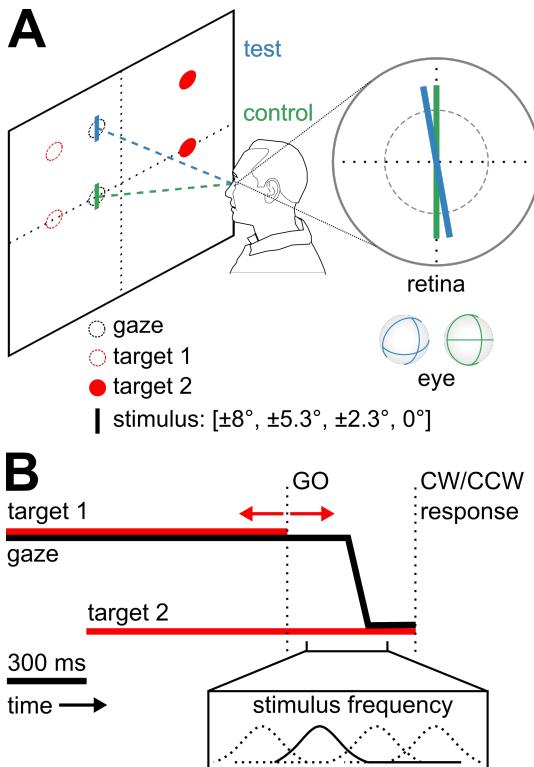


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72 **Figure 1. Geometry of predictive remapping models.** **A** Example ORT during  
73 oblique-to-oblique horizontal saccades. Note that ORT magnitude is exaggerated  
74 for illustration purposes. **B** Retinotopic representation of the retino-spatial  
75 predictive model. Solid lines represent the actual retinal projection of the stimulus  
76 while dotted lines represent the corresponding percept. **C** Retinotopic  
77 representation of the purely retinal predictive model.

78 **Results and discussion**

79 We directly investigated how ORT influences orientation perception across  
80 saccades using a novel retinal feature remapping paradigm in complete  
81 darkness. Participants performed either the test version of the task between  
82 oblique gaze locations (inducing ORT) or the control version of the task along the  
83 horizontal screen meridian (Fig. 2A). They began each trial by fixating a target on  
84 the left side of the screen (Fig. 2B). 300 ms later, a second target was illuminated  
85 on the opposite (right) side of the screen. After a randomized fixation duration,  
86 we briefly presented an oriented bar stimulus in one of seven different  
87 orientations rotated from vertical at the current gaze location. At the end of the  
88 trial, participants reported their perception of the stimulus orientation relative to  
89 gravity (clockwise, CW, or counter-clockwise, CCW). This paradigm allowed us  
90 to reliably compute each participant's psychometric function with a fine time  
91 resolution throughout the saccade. A fixation version of the task in which we  
92 presented the same stimulus at one of six possible fixation locations (three along  
93 each test or control trajectory – left, center and right) allowed us to account for  
94 any perceptual effects during stable fixation. We also measured each  
95 participant's natural Listing's plane to account for any natural ocular torsion when  
96 making predictions using our retinal model (Table 1 in Methods).



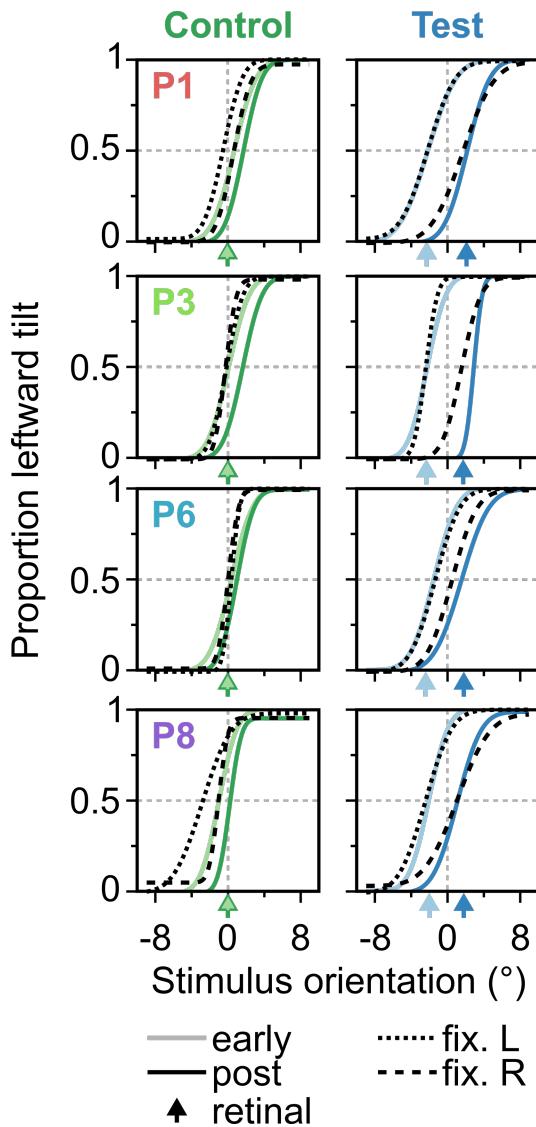
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98 **Figure 2. Paradigm and task timing.** **A** Illustration demonstrating rotational  
99 effects induced on retina due to oblique eye orientations while participants do  
100 task in either the test or control condition. Note that these retinal rotations are  
101 exaggerated for illustration purposes. **B** Schematic showing task timing and  
102 stimulus presentation frequency distributions. Bidirectional arrows represent 200  
103 ms time window within which we randomly varied “go” cue.  
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105 We examined the performance of each participant as a function of trial  
106 time (aligned to saccade onset) revealing orientation perception throughout any  
107 given trial, and we compared perceptions to the prediction of a retinal model.  
108 Participants had clear perceptual differences (Fig. 3) between the start (light  
109 shades) and end (dark shades) of the saccade, but these differences were most  
110 pronounced for test trials. As the eyes moved across screen we found that the  
111 perceptual changes were captured by the retinal model predictions during test  
112 trials (pooled regression analysis across 4° on-screen bins,  $n = 12$ , slope = 0.87,  
113  $R^2 = 0.7$ ,  $p < 0.01$ ), and matched perceptions during fixation at the extreme time

114 points (paired T-test for points of subjective equality,  $t(15) = 1.52$ ,  $p = 0.15$ , and  
115 for just-noticeable differences,  $t(15) = 0.47$ ,  $p = 0.65$ ), indicating that they  
116 behaved consistently during periods when the eyes were stationary, regardless  
117 of the behavioral context (fixation vs. saccade trials).

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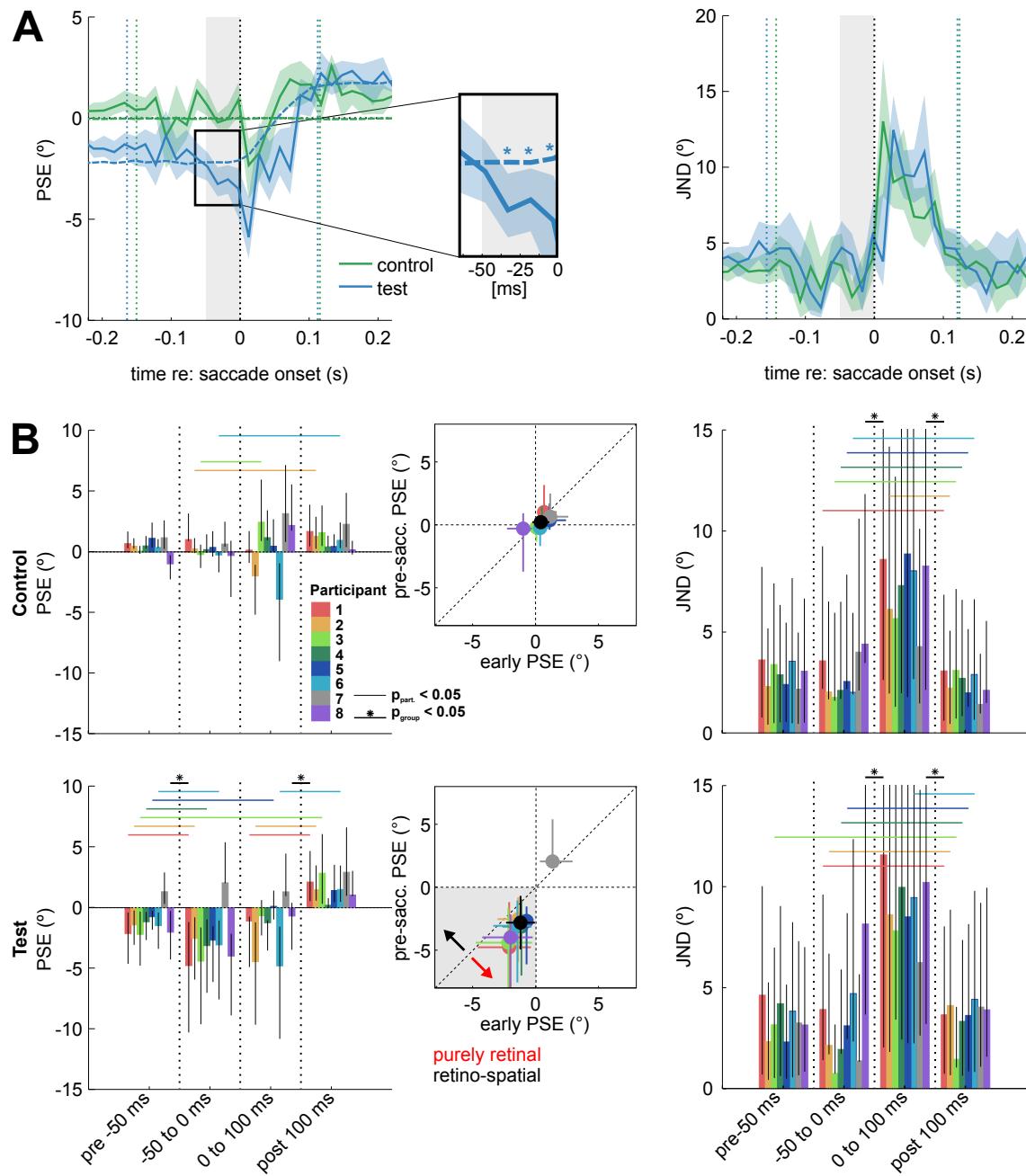


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120 **Figure 3. Psychometric curves for four sample participants.** Early (trial start  
121 until 50 ms presaccade; light shades) and late (100 ms postsaccade until trial  
122 end; dark shades) psychometric function fits are shown alongside the fixation  
123 experiment results for left (dotted) and right (dashed) targets. Color-matched  
124 arrows represent retinal predictions for 50% thresholds during each time bin.

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126 After pooling the data across participants we were able to attain a time  
127 resolution of 15 ms for which we could compute the bin-wise psychometric  
128 functions, extracting the points of subjective equality (PSEs) to quantify the  
129 psychophysical biases and the just-noticeable differences (JNDs) to quantify the  
130 corresponding precision. These time-resolved biases (PSEs with 95% confidence  
131 intervals) are shown alongside the retinal predictions (dashed lines) for both  
132 control (green) and test trials (blue) relative to saccade onset (Fig. 4A).  
133 Psychophysical biases depended on whether participants performed control or  
134 test trials. Throughout control trials, perceptual biases followed the retinally  
135 predicted perception, with excursions from the retinal prediction occurring upon,  
136 but not prior to, saccade onset. Throughout test trials however, orientation  
137 perception was biased towards the retinal prediction throughout the movement,  
138 with the exception of a significant perceptual rotation immediately prior to the  
139 movement onset. Using the pooled data, the effect began approximately 50 ms  
140 prior to the movement (grey shaded window; inset), consistent with the timing of  
141 both attentional (Harrison et al., 2012; Rolfs et al., 2011) and RF shifts observed  
142 in retinotopic areas (Wang et al., 2016; Zirnsak et al., 2014). Furthermore, this  
143 deviation went in the direction opposite to the upcoming shift in ORT in a manner  
144 consistent with maintaining the retinotopic orientation throughout the upcoming  
145 movement, matching the purely retinal model.



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147 **Figure 3. Pooled and participant-level biases. A** Pooled PSEs (*left column*)  
148 and JNDs (*right column*) for control (green) and test trials (blue), plotted  
149 alongside the retinal predictions (color-matched dashes) over time. Inset reveals  
150 significant presaccadic perceptual rotation for test PSEs (asterisks). **B**  
151 Participant-level PSEs and JNDs, binned into early ( $t < -50$  ms), presaccadic (-  
152 50 ms  $< t < 0$  ms), perisaccadic ( $0$  ms  $< t < 100$  ms) and post-saccadic time bins  
153 ( $t > 100$  ms), aligned to saccade onset for control (*top row*) and test trials (*bottom*  
154 *row*). Participant-level significant effects are shown by color-matched bars  
155 crossing bin thresholds (vertical dotted lines), and group-level significant effects  
156 are shown by bold black crossing lines and black asterisks. Insets (*center*

157 *column*) reveal direct comparisons between PSEs in presaccadic (ordinate) and  
158 early time bins (abscissa). Within the test inset, shaded quadrant represents the  
159 retinal hypothesis for either time epoch, and arrows represent direction of retino-  
160 spatial (black) or purely retinal (red) remapping. Black circles and error bars  
161 represent across-participant means and standard deviations.  
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163 We next determined if this observed effect during test trials was simply a  
164 phenomenological effect of pooling the data across participants (Fig. 4B). We  
165 separated each participant's data into four separate time bins representing  
166 characteristic time epochs during any given trial: 1. early fixation (trial start to 50  
167 ms prior to onset); 2. Presaccadic (50 ms prior to saccade onset); 3.  
168 Perisaccadic (saccade onset to 100 ms later); and 4. Postsaccadic (100 ms post  
169 saccade onset until trial end). Using these binned data, we observed the same  
170 presaccadic bias shift on the group level for test trials (paired t-test,  $t(7) = -4.33$ ,  $p$   
171  $< 0.01$ ), indicating that it was not due to pooling data across participants. We  
172 varied the presaccadic bin size as much as participants' time resolutions allowed,  
173 and found qualitatively identical group-level presaccadic remapping effects up to  
174 40 ms prior to onset (not shown here). Finally, as these bias shifts could  
175 potentially be simply explained by a less precise perception, we also examined  
176 the time-resolved changes in precision. We did this with JNDs in an identical way  
177 (Fig. 4A and B, right column), and found that they only increased perisaccadically  
178 (paired t-tests, all transsaccadic  $p < 0.01$ ), as expected from retinal blurring  
179 and/or saccadic suppression (Bremmer, Kubischik, Hoffmann, & Krekelberg,  
180 2009; D. C. Burr, Morrone, & Ross, 1994), but presaccadic precision was not  
181 different from precision during fixation. Thus, presaccadic perceptual shifts could  
182 not be explained by a decrease in perceptual precision.

183 We found that ORT, which is not corrected for during fixation (Haustein &  
184 Mittelstaedt, 1990; Nakayama & Balliet, 1977), is predictively remapped across  
185 saccades in an orientation perception task. Instead of updating the perception  
186 ahead of the eye movement using an estimate of the spatial geometry at the final  
187 gaze location (retino-spatial model), the presaccadic shifts we observe instead  
188 are compensatory for the future ORT, allowing the retinotopic orientation to be  
189 maintained while the eyes move (purely retinal model). This key finding is in  
190 agreement with recent psychophysical work (Julie D. Golomb et al., 2014; Rolfs  
191 et al., 2011).

192 The predictive orientation shifts we observed are also consistent with the  
193 hypothesis that presaccadic RF shifts in retinotopic areas contribute to the  
194 stability of visual perception (Wang et al., 2016; Zirnsak et al., 2014).  
195 Consequently, elucidating the neural substrate of these perceptual shifts could  
196 potentially reconcile contrasting shifting (Zirnsak et al., 2014) and expansion  
197 (Wang et al., 2016) RF models of predictive remapping. Our psychophysical  
198 results predict that the activity of orientation-selective retinotopic neurons  
199 involved in predictive remapping should also exhibit torsion-induced modulations.  
200 Such predictive orientation-selective modulations might, for example, be seen in  
201 extrastriate visual cortex (Nakamura & Colby, 2002), lateral intraparietal area (J.  
202 Duhamel et al., 1992; Wang et al., 2016) or frontal eye fields (Zirnsak et al.,  
203 2014), perhaps from retinotopic corollary discharge signals arising in superior  
204 colliculus (Sommer & Wurtz, 2004) projected via the mediodorsal thalamus  
205 (Sommer & Wurtz, 2004; Zimmermann & Bremmer, 2016).

206 The implication that the brain expends computational energy with each eye  
207 movement to predictively remap a (spatially incorrect) retinal perception is  
208 seemingly paradoxical; after all, in theory the brain has access to all the self-  
209 motion signals required to compensate for retinal blurring and/or retino-spatial  
210 misalignments. However, compensating for self-motion requires either updating  
211 of a non-spatial (e.g. retinal) representation (D. Y. P. Henriques, Klier, Smith,  
212 Lowy, & Crawford, 1998; Medendorp, Van Asselt, & Gielen, 1999; Murdison et  
213 al., 2013) or subjecting sensory signals to reference frame transformations  
214 (Blohm & Crawford, 2007; Blohm & Lefèvre, 2010; Murdison, Leclercq, Lefèvre,  
215 & Blohm, 2015) to achieve spatial accuracy. As both updating (Medendorp et al.,  
216 1999) and reference frame transformations appear to be stochastic (Alikhanian,  
217 Carvalho, & Blohm, 2015; Jessica K Burns, Nashed, & Blohm, 2011; Jessica  
218 Katherine Burns & Blohm, 2010; Schlicht & Schrater, 2007; Sober & Sabes,  
219 2003) processes, retinotopic signals might provide high acuity sensory  
220 information on which to base working memory (Julie D Golomb, Chun, & Mazer,  
221 2008), perception (Jessica K Burns et al., 2011; Rolfs et al., 2011) and  
222 movement generation (Schlicht & Schrater, 2007; Sober & Sabes, 2003)  
223 explicitly requiring a reference frame transformation.

224 The apparent dominance of retinotopic signals we observed during saccades  
225 is consistent with a growing body of psychophysical (Julie D. Golomb et al.,  
226 2014; Murdison et al., 2013; Rolfs et al., 2011; Zirnsak, Gerhards, Kiani, Lappe,  
227 & Hamker, 2011) and electrophysiological (Colby, Duhamel, & Goldberg, 1995; J.  
228 Duhamel et al., 1992; J. R. Duhamel et al., 1997; Wang et al., 2016; Zirnsak et

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229 al., 2014) evidence. Indeed, participants are better at recalling the retinotopic  
230 locations of stimuli across saccades compared to their spatial locations, which  
231 are degraded with each subsequent eye movement (J. D. Golomb & Kanwisher,  
232 2012). Additionally, attention appears to be allocated in retinotopic coordinates  
233 (J. D. Golomb, Nguyen-Phuc, Mazer, McCarthy, & Chun, 2010; Julie D Golomb  
234 et al., 2008; Yao, Ketkar, Treue, & Krishna, 2016) and there is evidence that its  
235 locus shifts to the retinotopic target of upcoming saccades (Mathôt & Theeuwes,  
236 2010; Rolfs et al., 2011). Memorized targets for movement also appear to be  
237 encoded retinotopically, as observed during saccades (Inaba & Kawano, 2014),  
238 smooth pursuit (Murdison et al., 2013) and reaching (Batista, Buneo, Snyder, &  
239 Andersen, 1999; D. Y. Henriques, Klier, Smith, Lowy, & Crawford, 1998;  
240 Medendorp et al., 1999). Together with this past work, our findings indicate that  
241 reliable retinal signals are paramount to maintaining a stable world percept  
242 during self-motion. Corollary to this claim is that the natural statistics of the visual  
243 environment appear to play a more central role than extraretinal signals in  
244 forming that world percept on the millisecond timescale. As such, investigations  
245 into the temporal stability of stimuli and retinal scene characteristics required  
246 during saccades for a spatially correct perception are logical extensions of this  
247 work.

248 For the first time, we have shown the orientation-specific perceptual  
249 consequences of shifts in the torsional dimension during saccades. Together with  
250 previous work (Wang et al., 2016; Zirnsak & Moore, 2014; Zirnsak et al., 2014),  
251 our current findings imply that the perceptual system faithfully maintains a

252 retinotopic representation by predictively remapping across both translational and  
253 torsional retinal shifts. In the midst of motion on the retina with each exploratory  
254 eye movement, it appears that this predictive remapping underlies the seamless  
255 stability that is a hallmark of our perceptual experience.

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257 **Methods**

258 *Participants*

259 Eight adults with normal or corrected to normal vision performed the experiment  
260 (3 female, age range 20-30 years). Participants were paid for their participation  
261 and were all naïve to the purpose of the experiment, and all had previous  
262 experience with psychophysical experiments involving video eye tracking. Each  
263 participant gave informed written consent prior to the experiment. All procedures  
264 used in this study conformed to the Declaration of Helsinki.

265

266 *Materials*

267 Stimuli were computer-generated using the Psychophysics Toolbox (Brainard,  
268 1997) within Matlab (The Mathworks, Inc., Natick, Massachusetts), and were  
269 projected onto a large 120 cm (81°) x 90 cm (65.5°) flat screen by means of a  
270 DS+6K-M Christie projector (Christie Digital, Cypress, California) at a frame rate  
271 of 120 Hz and a resolution of 1152 x 864 pixels. Participants sat in complete  
272 darkness 70 cm away from the screen, and a table-mounted chin rest supported  
273 their heads. The complete darkness was required to prevent subjects perceive a  
274 compression of space, which might have confounded our data (Krekelberg,

275 Kubischik, Hoffmann, & Bremmer, 2003; Lappe, Awate, & Krekelberg, 2000;  
276 Morrone, Ross, & Burr, 1997). Eye movements were recorded using an infrared  
277 video-based Eyelink II (SR Research, Ottawa, Ontario) that was attached to the  
278 chin rest, providing a table-fixed head strap that kept each participant's head in a  
279 constant position throughout each experimental session. The screen was viewed  
280 binocularly and eye position was sampled at 500 Hz. Prior to each block,  
281 participants performed a 13-point calibration sequence over a maximum  
282 eccentricity of 25°. The eye to which the perceptual stimulus was fovea-locked  
283 for each block was selected based on calibration performance. Drift correction  
284 was performed offline every 10 trials, based on a central fixation position. To  
285 ensure precise temporal measurement of trial start and stimulus presentation, we  
286 positioned a photosensitive diode over the lower left corner of the screen, where  
287 we flashed a white patch of pixels both at the start of each trial and at the  
288 presentation of the oriented bar stimulus. This part of the experimental apparatus  
289 was occluded from the view of the participant. After calibration for constant data  
290 acquisition delays, the photosensitive diode's voltage spikes provided reliable  
291 estimates of each trial's time-course (within a precision of approximately 2 ms).

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293 *Procedure*

294 Participants performed a two-alternative, forced choice (2AFC) perceptual task in  
295 which they made large horizontal saccades between targets 40° apart either  
296 along a 20° vertically eccentric horizontal axis (test trials) or along the horizontal  
297 meridian of the screen (control trials; Fig. 2A). Importantly, test trials induced

298 ORT throughout the eye movement. Participants began each trial by fixating the  
299 initial 0.3° diameter dot on the left side of the screen (at -20°), and indicated with  
300 a key press that they were prepared to start the trial (Fig. 2B). 300 ms later, a  
301 0.3° diameter target was illuminated 40° to the right on the opposite side of the  
302 screen (at +20°). After a randomly selected duration (400-600 ms), the initial  
303 target was extinguished, representing the participant's "go" cue. At some point in  
304 time, either immediately before saccade onset (~250 ms prior), during the  
305 saccade (average saccade duration ~120 ms) or after the saccade, we presented  
306 an oriented bar stimulus in one of 7 different orientations (from -8° to +8° rotated  
307 from vertical). For each trial, the exact time at which we presented the stimulus  
308 was chosen randomly from one of four 200 ms-width Gaussians, linearly spaced  
309 from the average reaction time (based on a 10-trial moving window) to 100 ms  
310 after, approximating the end of the movement. After the participant's eyes had  
311 landed on the saccade target, they were asked to respond with a key press  
312 representing their perception of the stimulus orientation (counter-clockwise or  
313 clockwise perceptions). The trial ended after participants made their selection.  
314 This paradigm allowed us to reliably compute each participant's psychometric  
315 function with a fine time resolution throughout a saccade.

316 Participants also performed a fixation version of the same task in which  
317 they fixated one of six randomly selected locations (-20°, 0° or +20° horizontal  
318 along either the 0° or 20° screen meridian) and we flashed the identical stimulus  
319 at the fixation location for a single frame (8.3 ms). After the stimulus flash

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320 participants responded with a key press indicating their perception of its  
321 orientation, identically to the first experiment.

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323 *Identifying Listing's plane for each participant*

324 Finally, to correctly compute the retinal model predictions we measured each  
325 participant's individual Listing's plane (Table 1) using photographs taken during  
326 fixation at each of 10 orientations on the screen (rectangular grid in the upper  
327 half of the screen along 0° and 20° meridians, with five equally-spaced  
328 orientations along each horizontal and 20° eccentricity). From these photographs  
329 we extracted the natural ocular torsion based on the irises compared between  
330 the central orientation (0°, 0°) and eccentric locations, using an algorithm  
331 developed by Otero-Millan and colleagues (Otero-Millan, Roberts, Lasker, & Zee,  
332 2015) modified for still images and implementation in Matlab.

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Participant number	Pitch offset, $\alpha_0$
1	0.16°
2	0.75°
3	0.58°
4	0.59°
5	0.97°
6	-0.48°
7	-2.76°
8	-0.73°

334 **Table 1.** Identified Listing's plane tilt for each participant.

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338 *Analysis*

339 All analyses were performed using custom Matlab code (The Mathworks, Natick,  
340 Massachusetts) and psychometric functions were fit using the Psignifit toolbox  
341 (Wichmann & Hill, 2001). Each participant performed 2080 trials in total, following  
342 a Gaussian distribution of presented stimulus orientations. Each performed a  
343 minimum of 221 repetitions for each of the most extreme bar orientations (+/- 8°);  
344 conversely, for 0° bar orientations, they performed a maximum of 369 repetitions.  
345 These repetitions allowed us to be confident in our psychometric fits while not  
346 extending the sessions by oversampling easy trials. Trials containing blinks, loss  
347 of eye tracking, no saccades, hypometric or inaccurate saccades (<25°  
348 amplitude or beyond 10° radius from target), or with reaction times greater than  
349 1.5 s were all removed from the dataset (20% of all trials). Group-level statistics  
350 were computed using paired Student t-tests, and participant-level and pooled  
351 analyses were performed using the bootstrapped 95% confidence intervals  
352 determined from Monte Carlo simulations during the psychometric curve fitting.

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