

In The Name of GOD

Dichotic Listening Tasks & the Corpus Callosum

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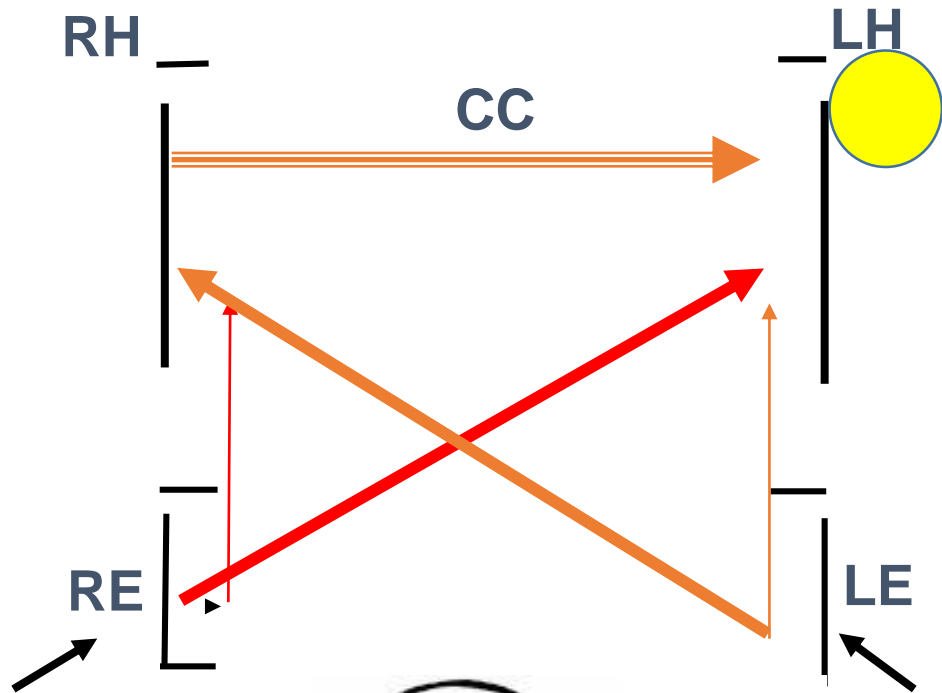
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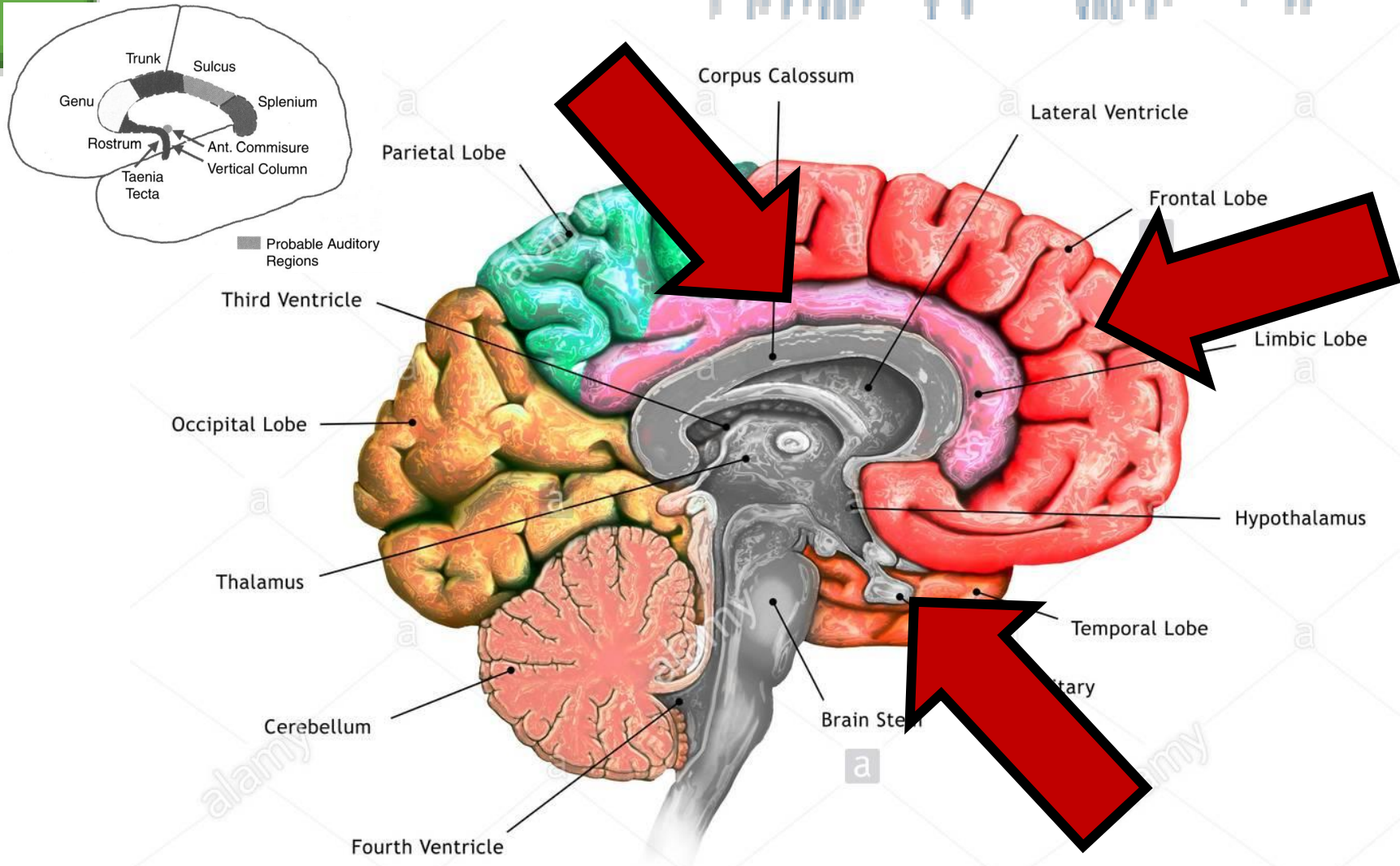
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the posterior region of the CC, isthmus or sulcus is specialized in interhemispheric transfer of auditory information : **excitatory** / inhibitory

Dichotic Listening Tests

DL is a behavioral technique to study:

a broad range of cognitive processes

-Attention

-Memory

-Emotional processes ☹️ 😊 😐 ...

-Brain Laterality and hemispheric asymmetry,

-Conditioning and learning

-Psychopathology

-Psycholinguistics

Binaural Listening

*binaural integration tasks

*binaural separation tasks

*Alternative terminology: free recall and directed or focused recall

Dichotic Listening

Binaural Listening

Dichotic Listening

REA

- *In CC pathology ?? If:
- *dichotic speech stimuli (e.g. words, digits, CVs, sentences)
- *presented at a sufficient sensation level (SL)- 20dB SL for DD/ 30dB SL for CVs
- *same SL should be used for each ear/ interaural peripheral differences make results bias
- *similar onsets and offsets
- *LEA: in emotional tasks

Binaural Listening

Dichotic Listening

REA

**Brain Laterality
and Disorders**

- Corpus callosum deficit:
 - *split brain patients
 - *total or partial commissurotomies
 - *pre-surgical status of the brain
- multiple sclerosis (Atrophy of the callosum),
- vascular and mass lesions of the CC,
- traumatic brain injury (TBI),
- auditory hallucinations in schizophrenia
- APD

Binaural Listening

Dichotic Listening

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Brain Laterality

Age/Sex/Task type
Effects

- *Development of the CC is ongoing during the first two decades of life/ delay in callosal maturation??
- *Central presbycusis / atrophy in aging (55-60 y.o)
..... Decreased Binaural separation..... SIN problems
- *Gender differences: more & earlier in men
- *Rehabilitative audiology.... Binaural interference..... rejection of binaural amplification.... Can enhance the success of the fitting.
- *Different Stimuli /
- *Electrophysiological assessment of dichotic processing

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Dichotic Listening

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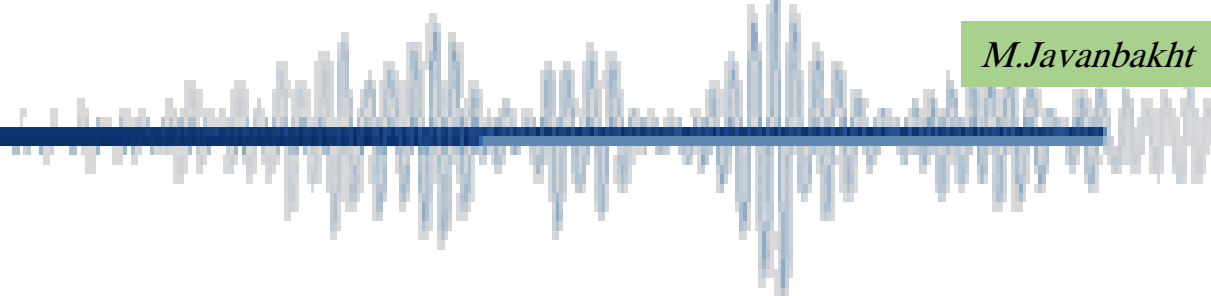
**Age/Sex/Task type
Effects**

Selective Attention

*CC role in the top-down attentional control

*Subject name in ignored ear

..... Low WM span



Binaural Listening

Dichotic Listening

Amblyaudia

Speech in noise

REA

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Selective Attention

Dichotic Digit Test

Mahdavi ME, Aghazadeh J, Tahaei SAA, et al, 2015

Dichotic Digits Results		
	Right Ear(ch1)	Left Ear(ch2)
1	6 . 1	8 . 2
2	2 . 5	10 . 3
3	5 . 3	9 . 6
4	7 . 3	10 . 1
5	8 . 6	3 . 1
6	9 . 2	7 . 5
7	3 . 10	2 . 7
8	5 . 8	1 . 10
9	2 . 9	5 . 3
10	10 . 5	7 . 9
11	1 . 9	6 . 3
12	3 . 1	8 . 6
13	5 . 3	2 . 9
14	2 . 5	3 . 10
15	8 . 2	6 . 3
16	7 . 10	2 . 5
17	9 . 5	7 . 3
18	8 . 9	10 . 5
19	1 . 6	9 . 2
20	5 . 7	8 . 9
	Score =	Score =

REA

*The cut off norm is 90 % and lower for 12 years to adult

*7 years 7:11 ; 55 % left, 70 % right

*8 years to 8:11 ; 65 % left, 75 % right

*9 years to 9:11 ; 75 % left, 80 % right

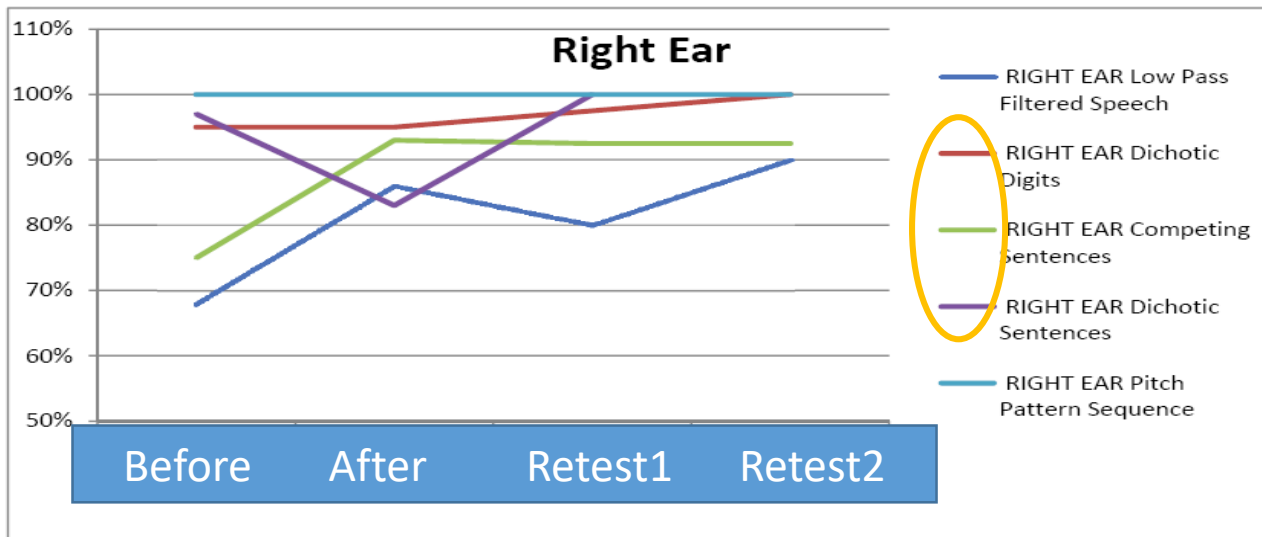
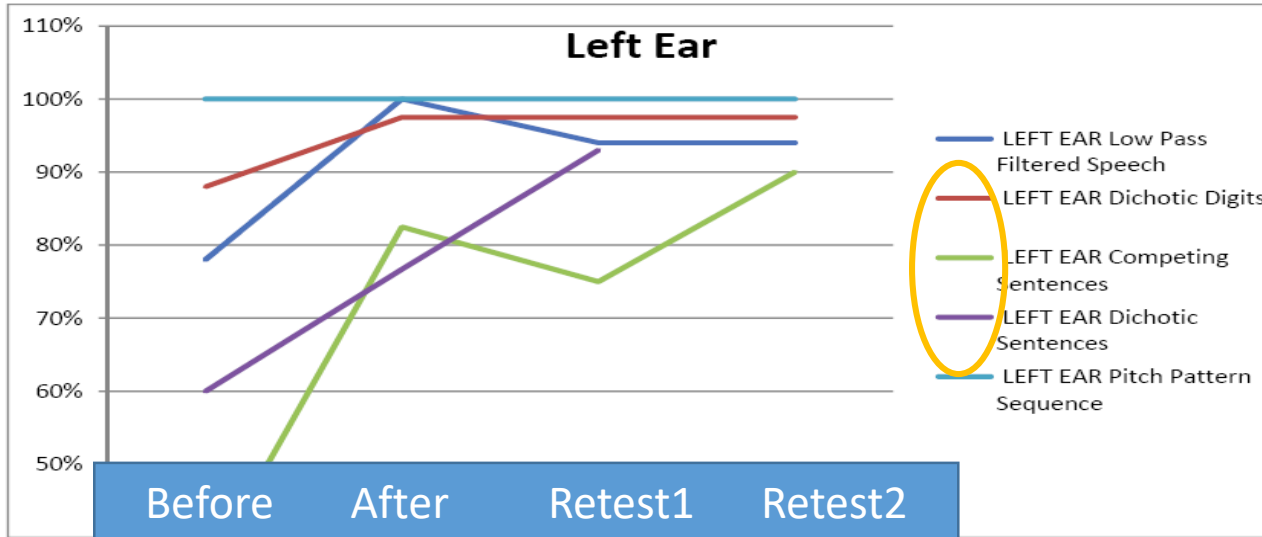
*10 years to 10:11 ; 78 % left, 85 % right

*11 years to 11 years, 11 months; 88 % left, 90 % right

Case Study:

“AZ”, female, age 11

turning her head to one side or covering one eye





In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity

Albert Einstein