Call for Participants: fMRI Study Regarding Software Engineering Tasks

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What will you do?
- help develop the first model relating brain activation to Software Engineering tasks
- undergo a scan of your brain
- perform various tasks related to Software Engineering

What will we learn?
- neural activation patterns for three tasks:
  - Code Review
  - Code Comprehension
  - Prose Review
- how to better train or manage these Software Engineering activities

What will you get?
- $100 for about 90 minutes of your time
- a model of your brain as a series of hundreds of pictures
- the warm fuzzy feeling of pushing forth the boundaries of human knowledge

You should participate if:
- you are 18+ years old
- you can pass an MRI safety screening
  - most importantly, no metal allowed in the scanner, including glasses (contacts are OK)
- you are proficient in the English language
- you are right-handed
- you have basic knowledge of Software Engineering
- you can read and understand code written in C

This study is approved by the HSR-IRB via protocol #18171

Email Jamie Floyd (bef2cj@virginia.edu) by March 1 to participate.