Investigating perceptual completion in a real-world experiment

A bachelor thesis project

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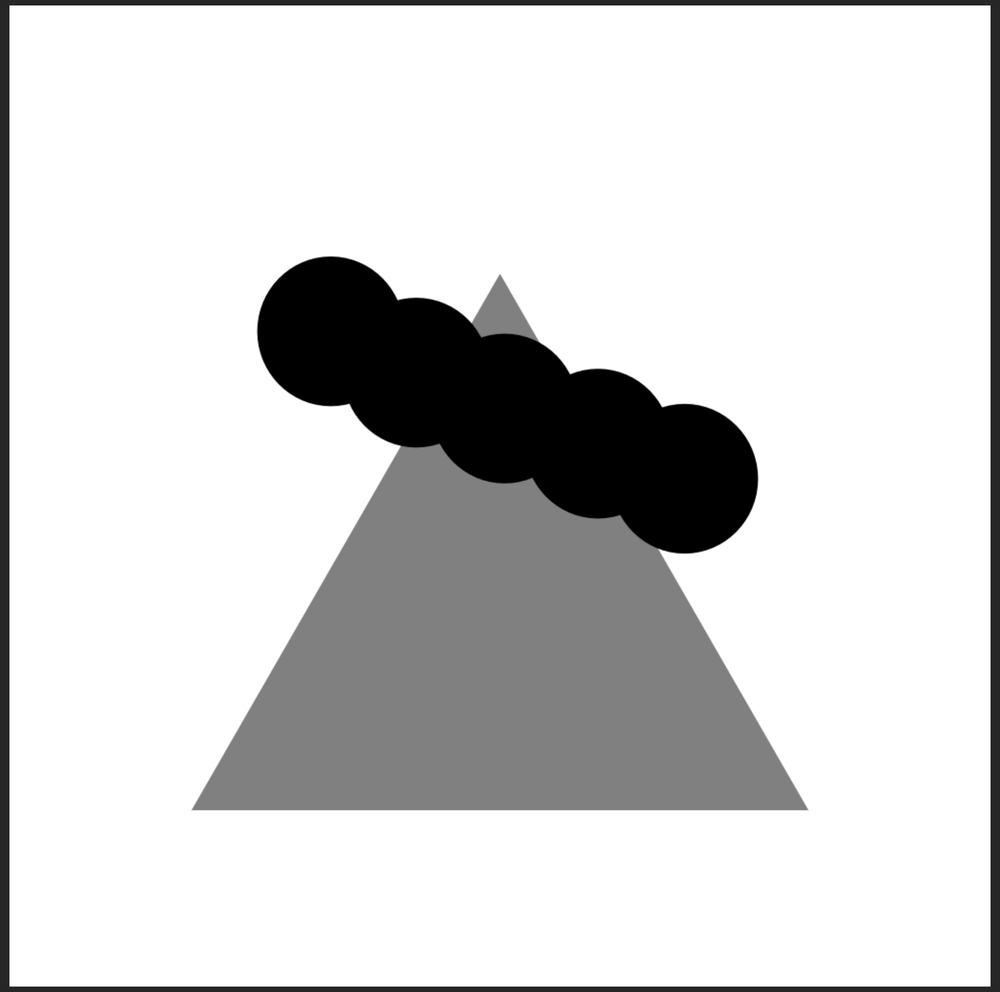

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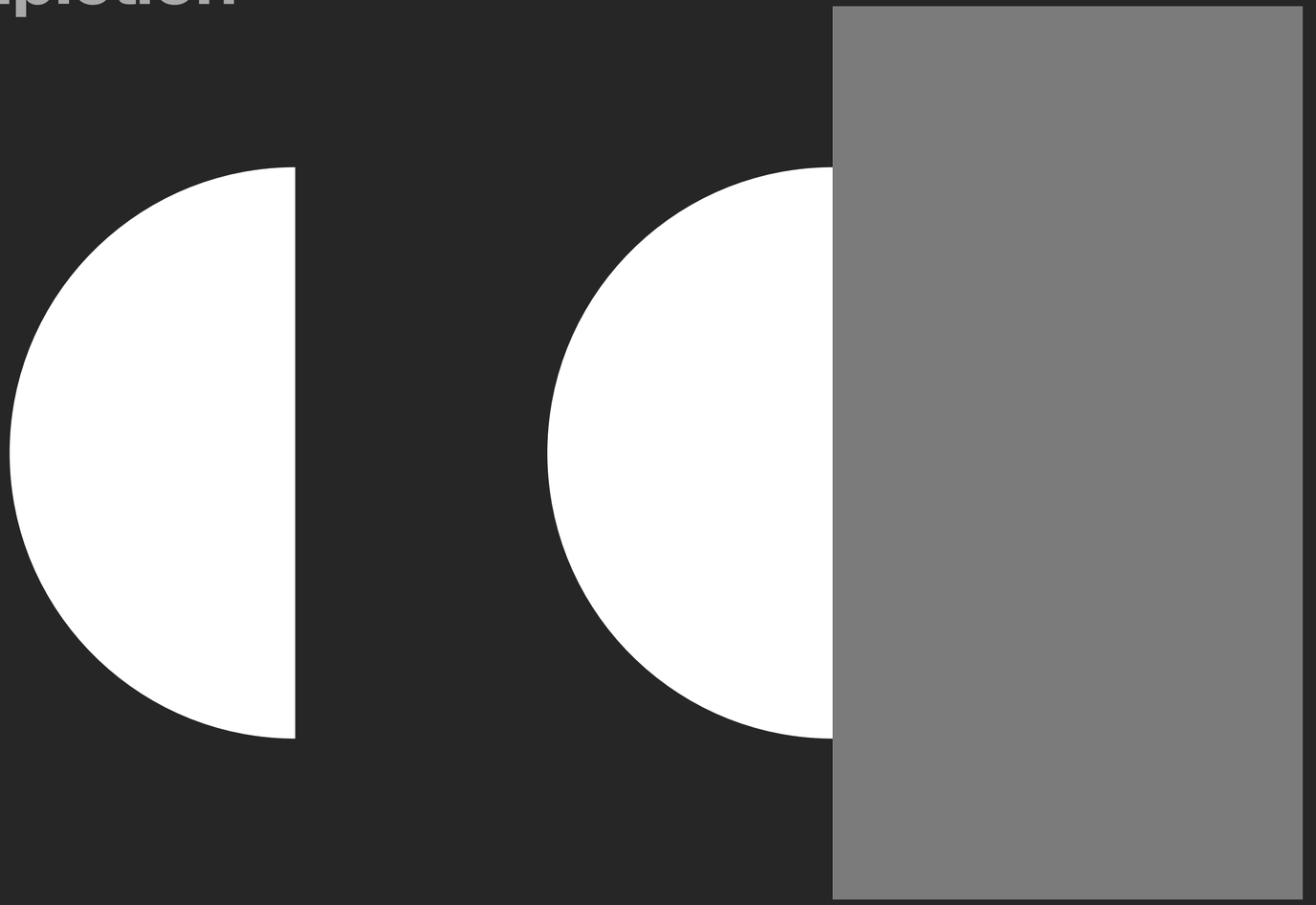

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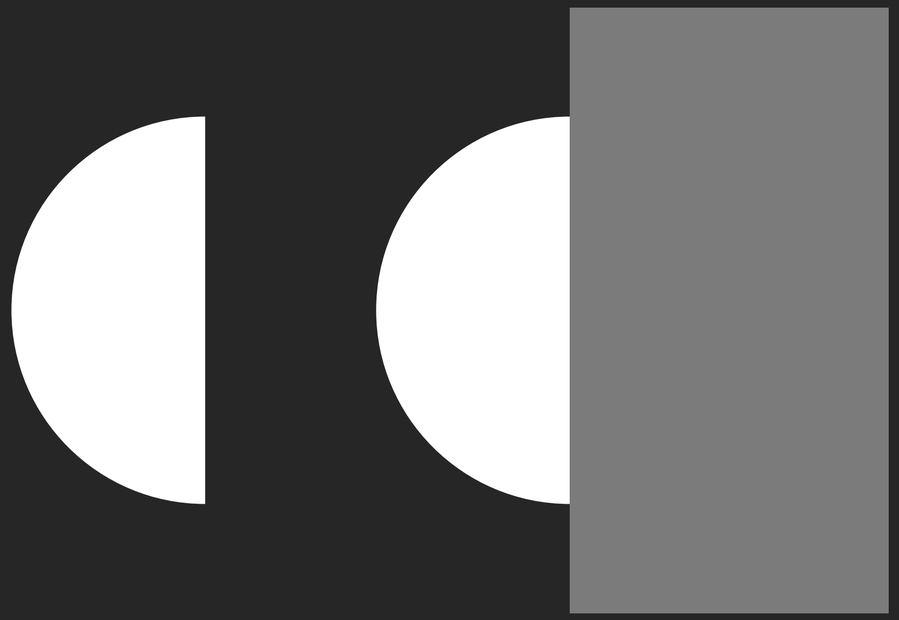

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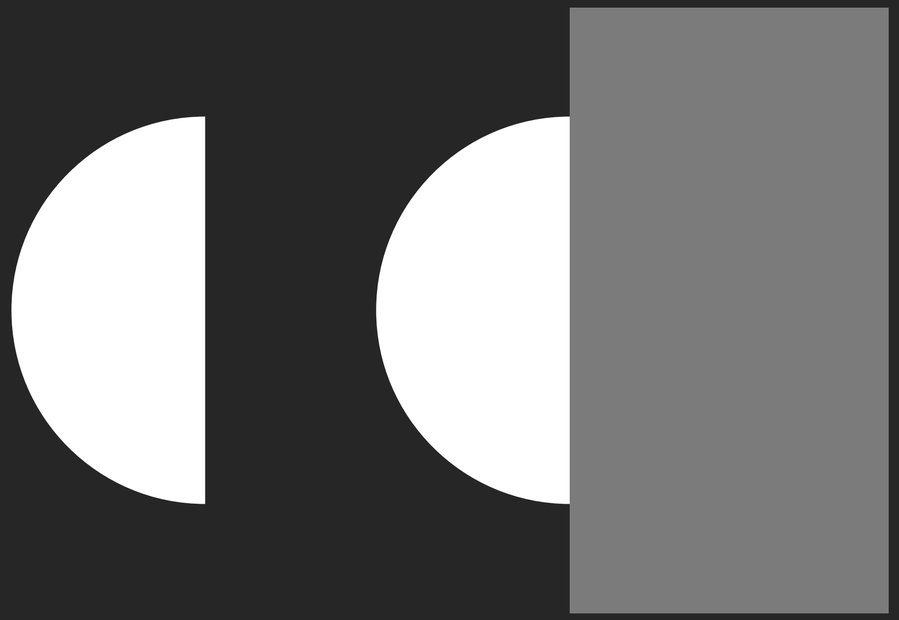

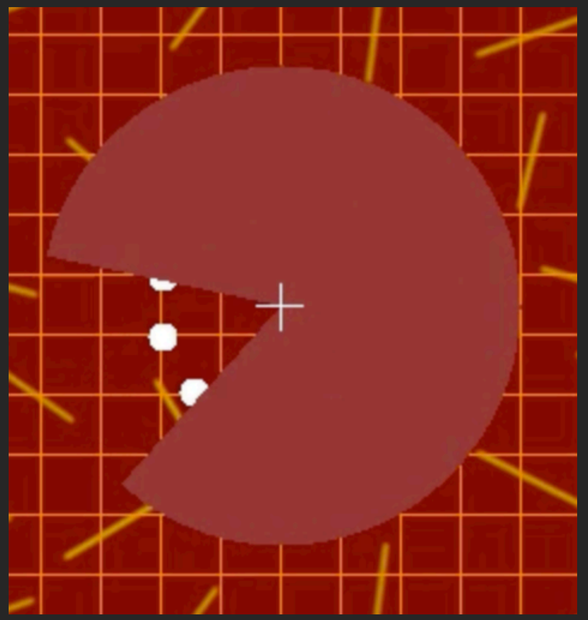

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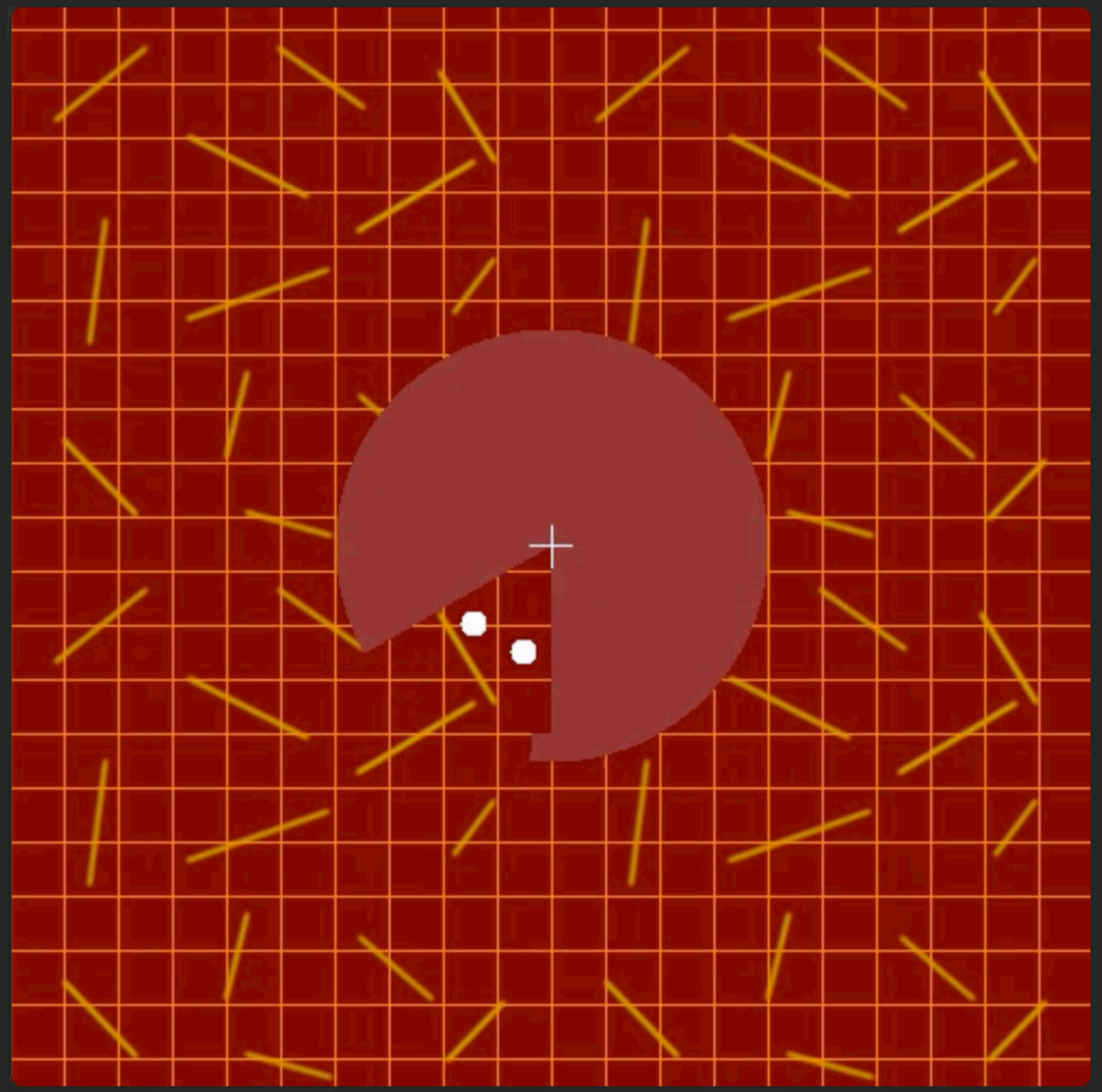

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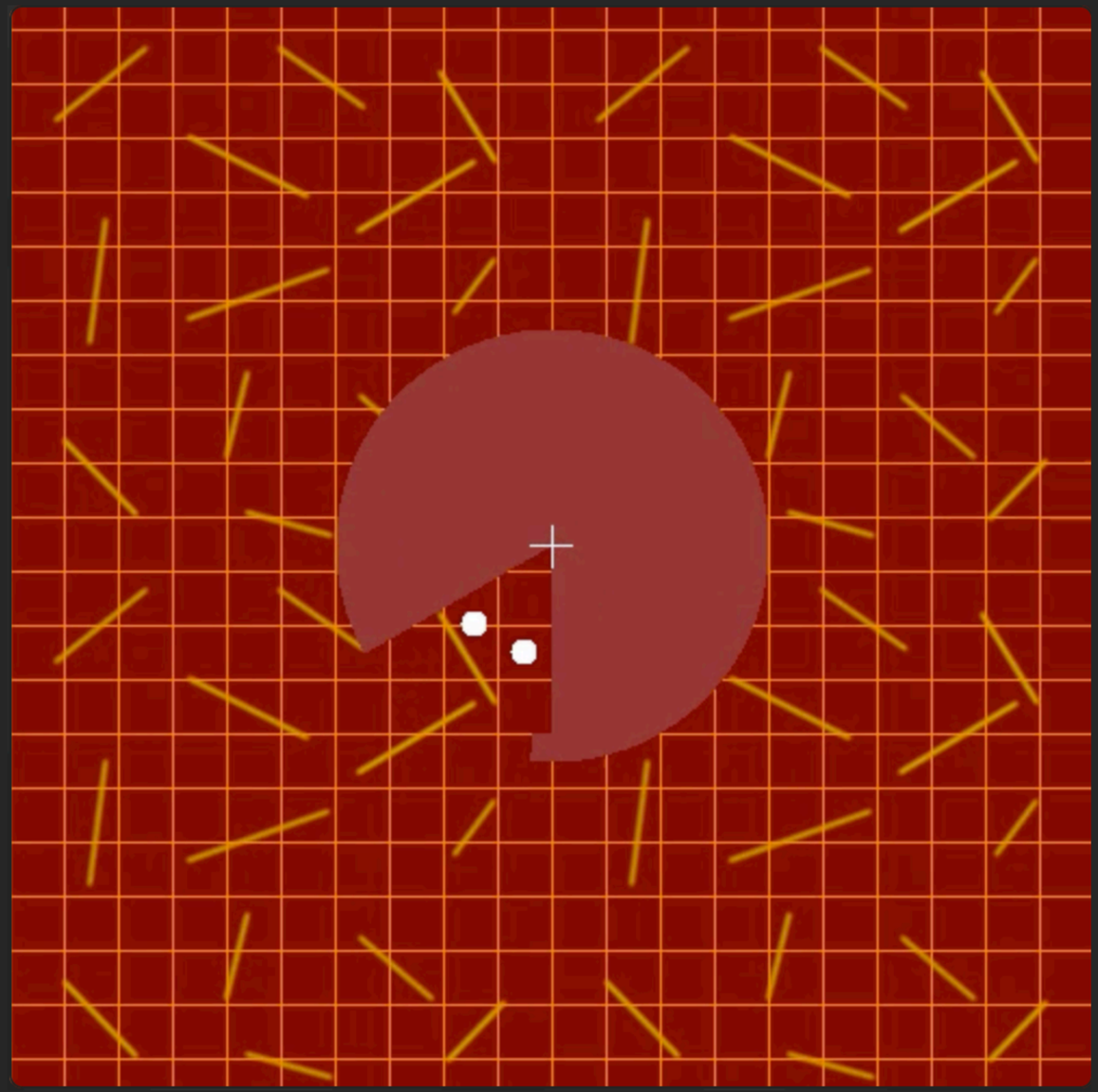

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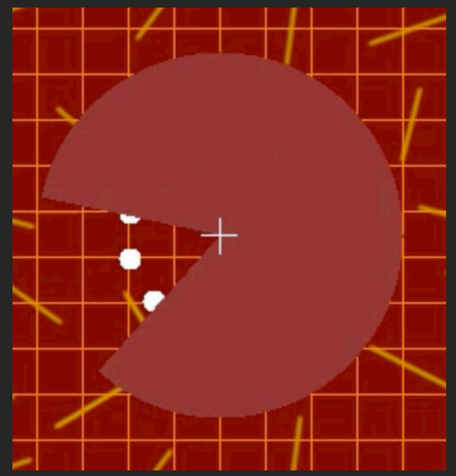

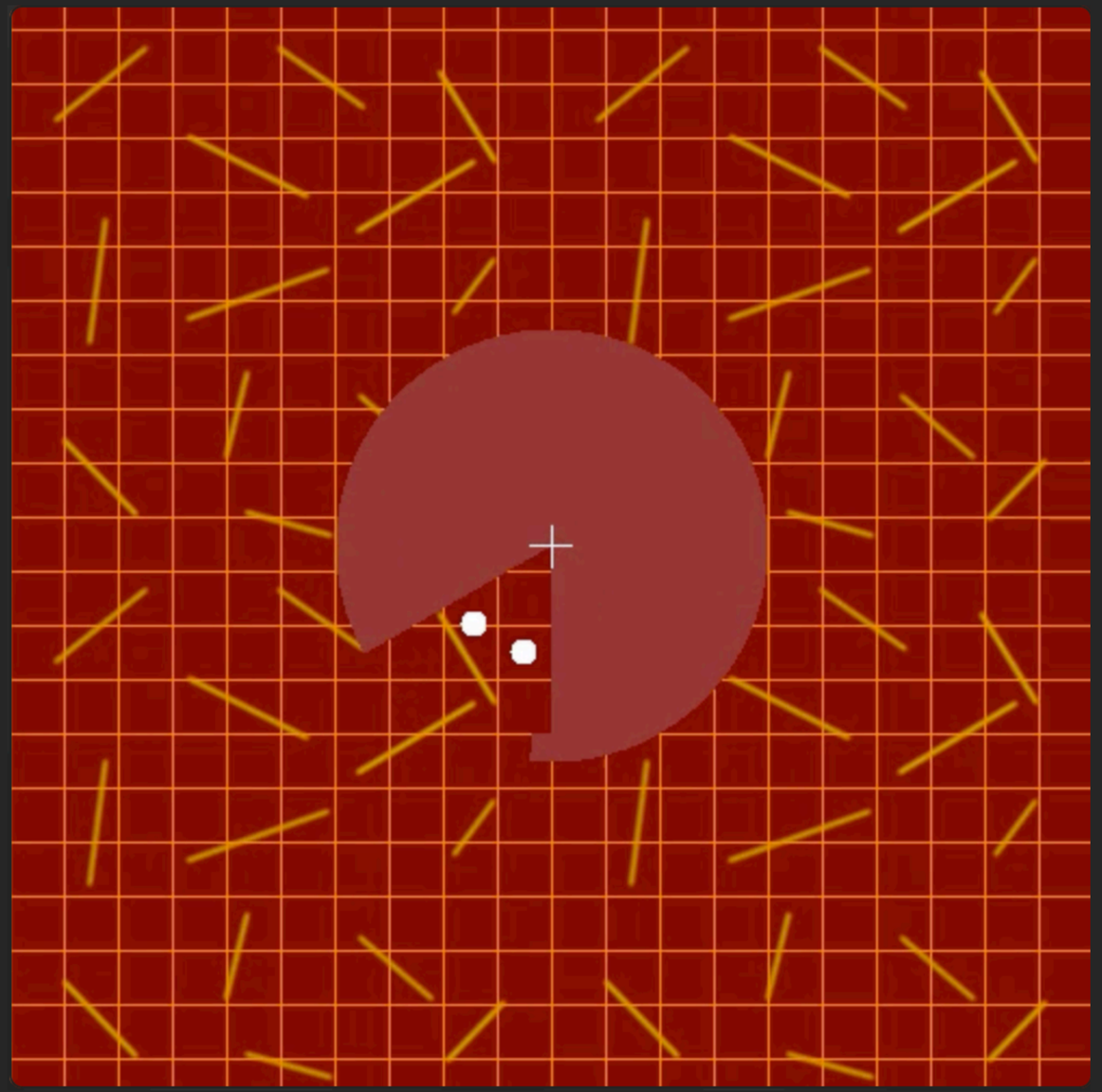

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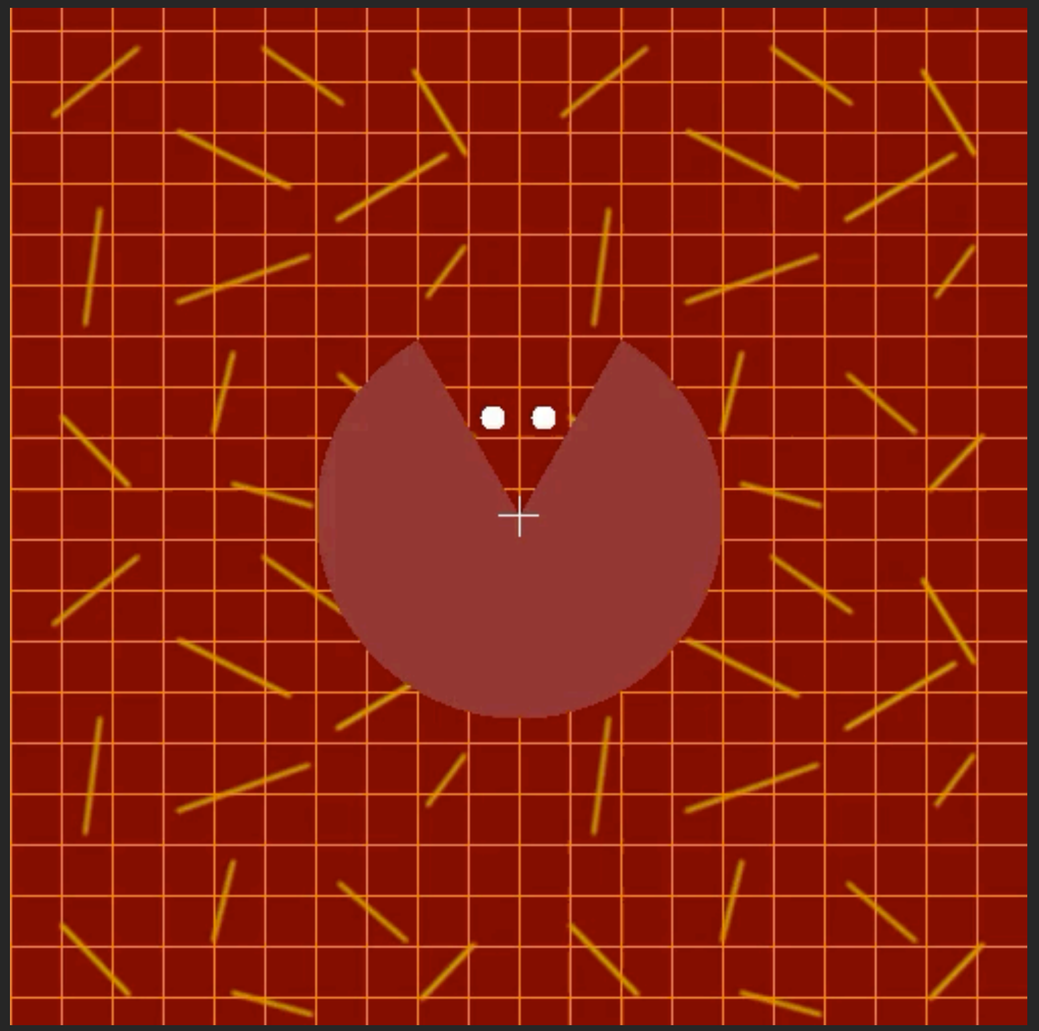

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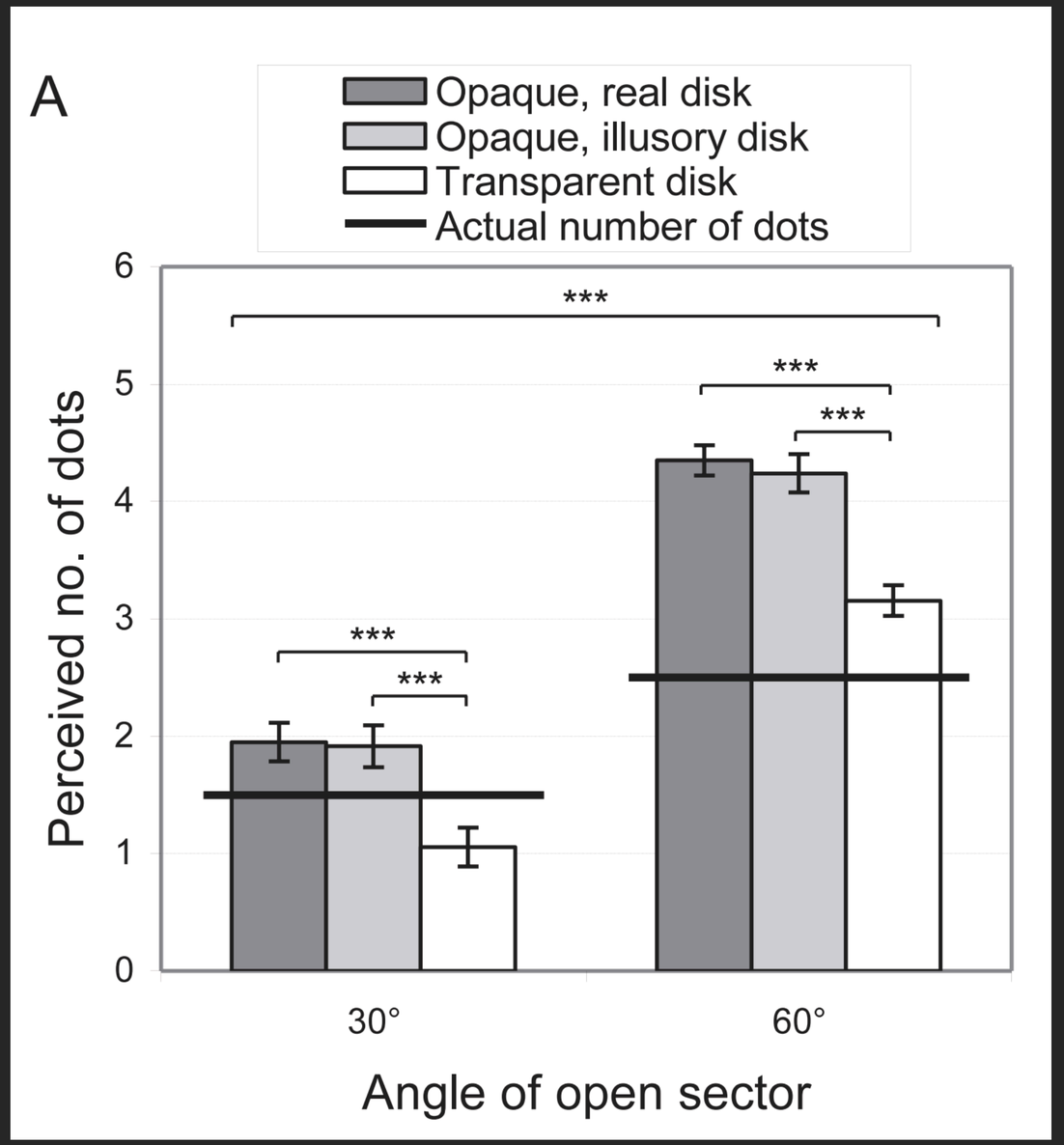

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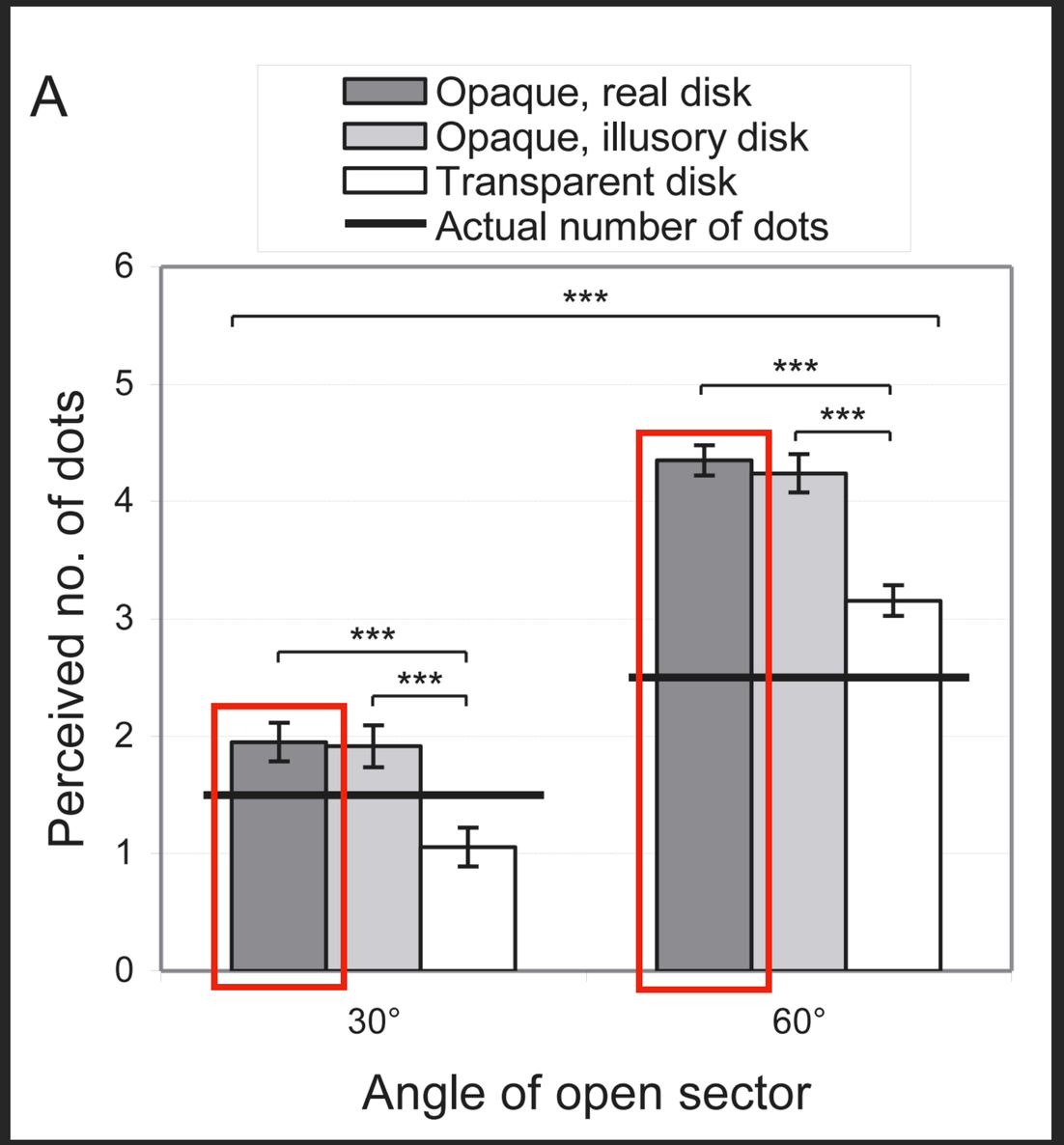

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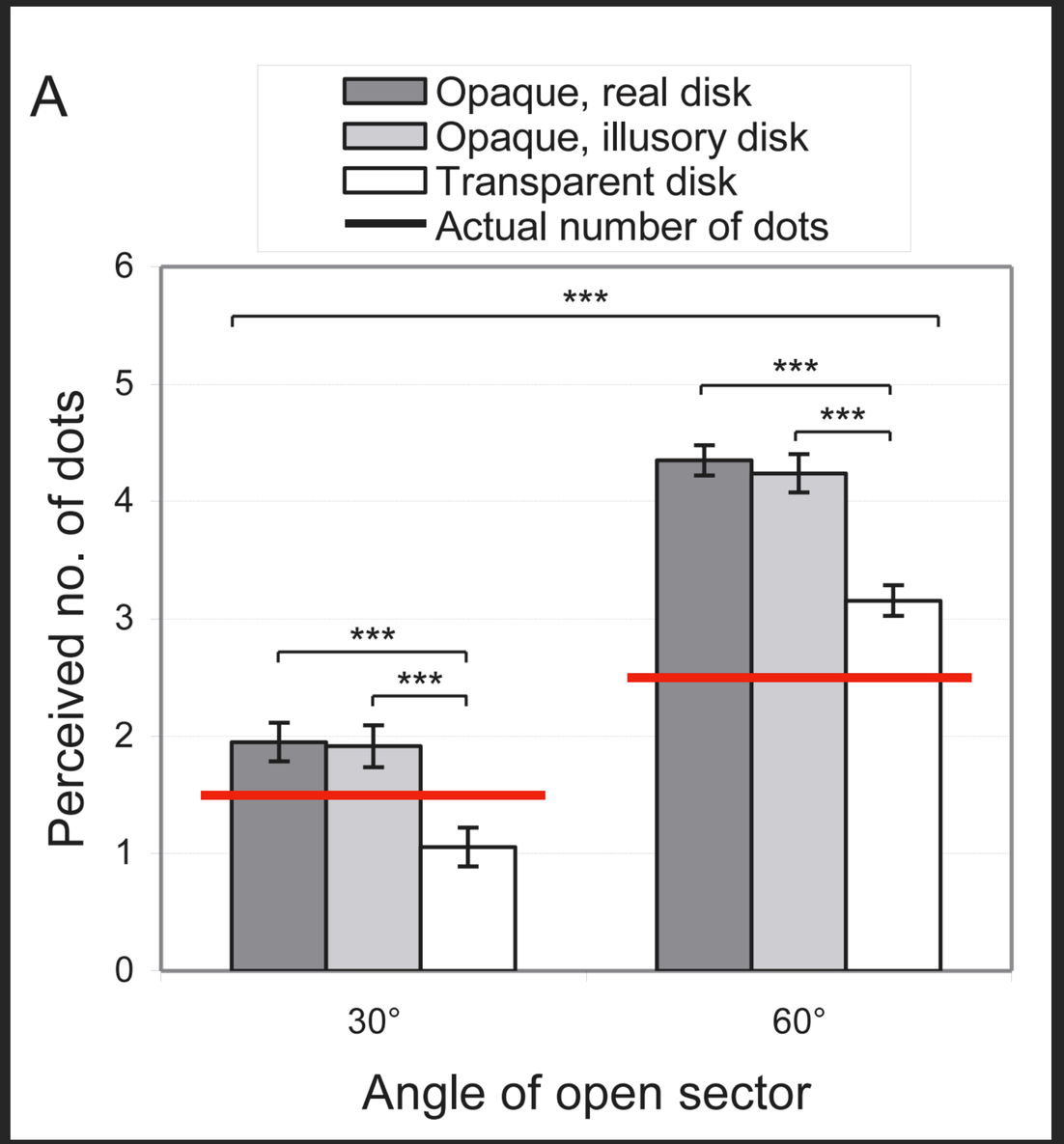

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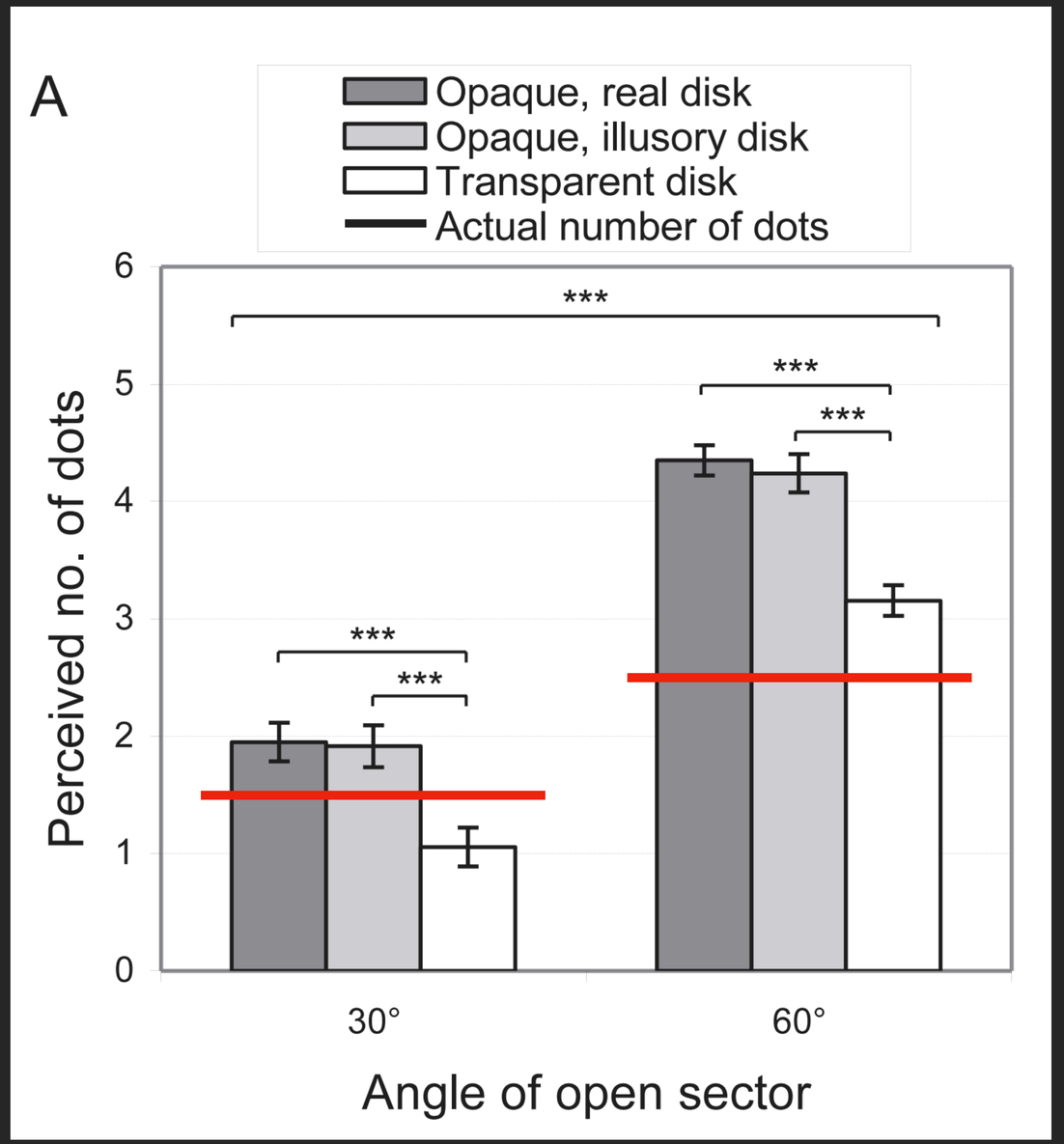

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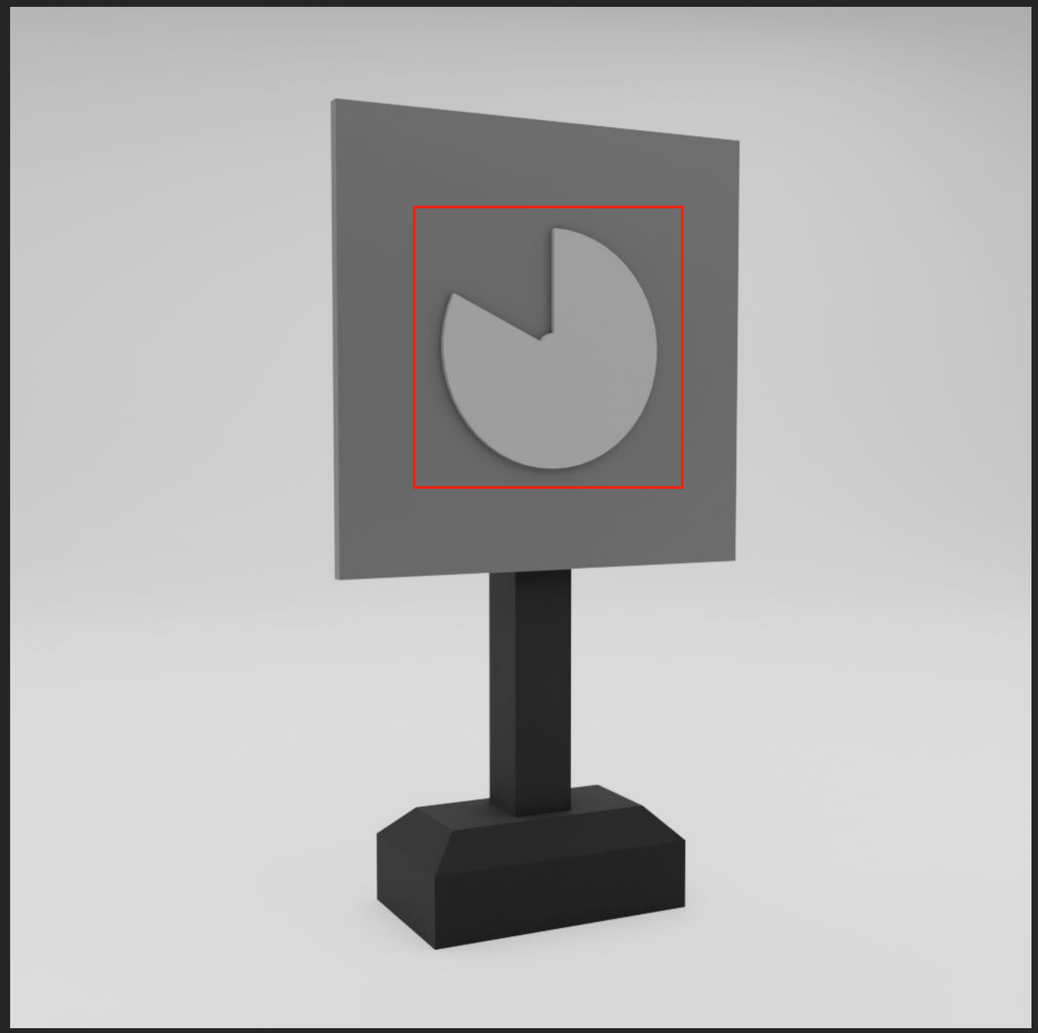

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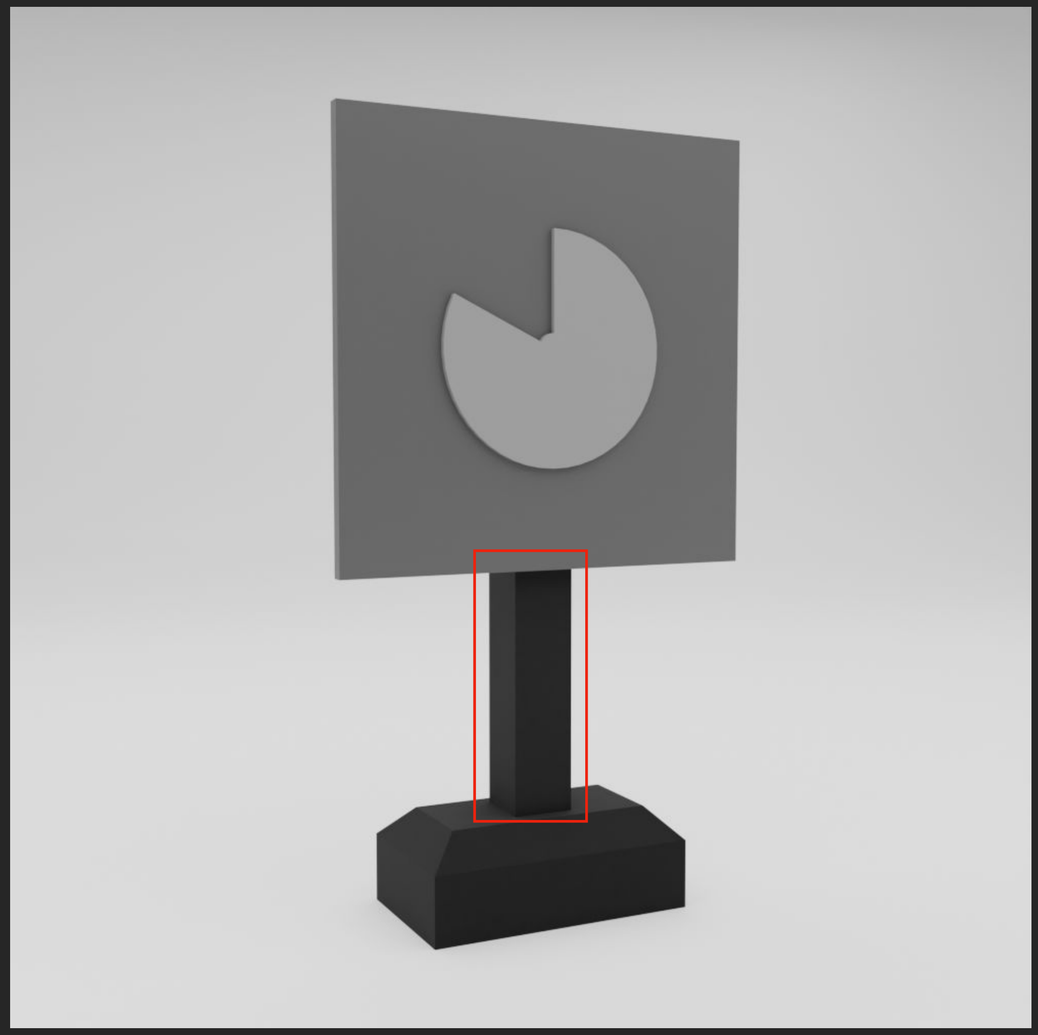

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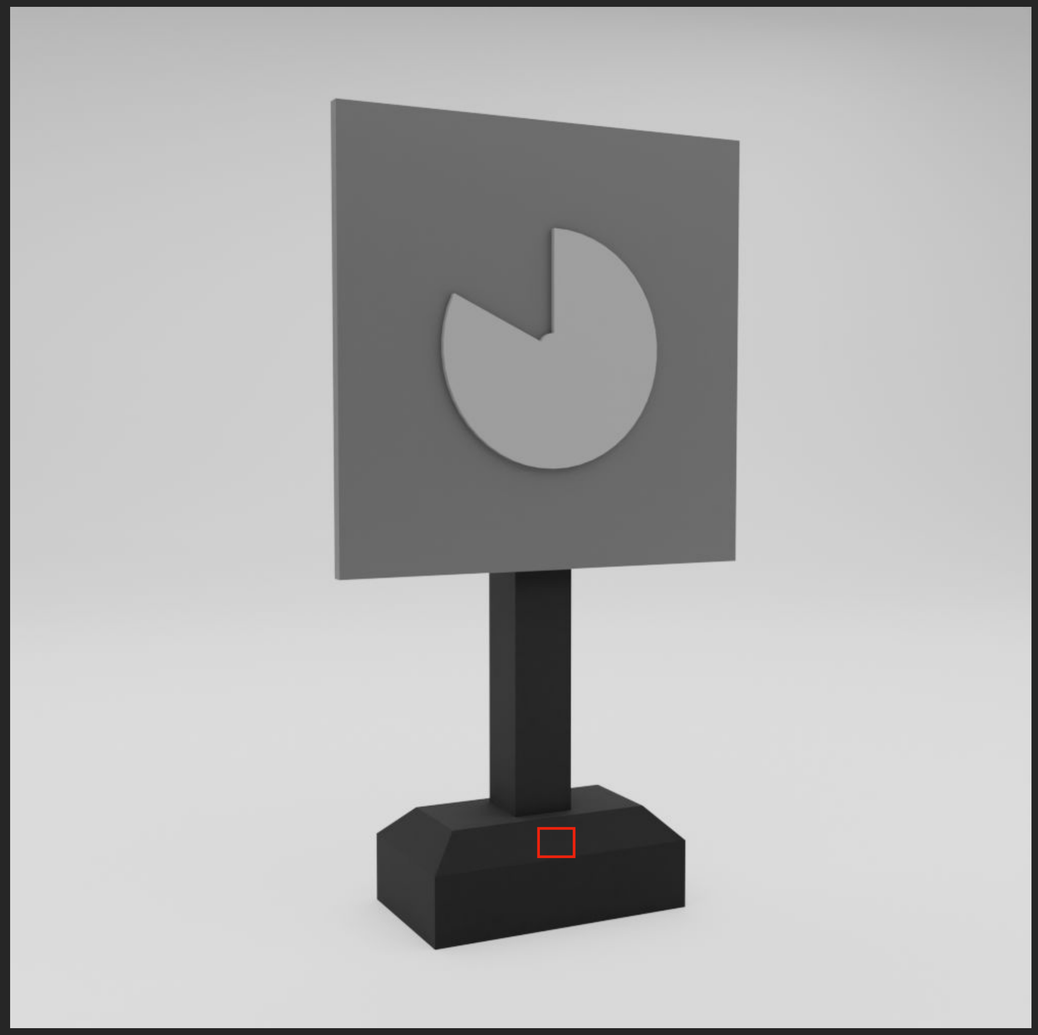

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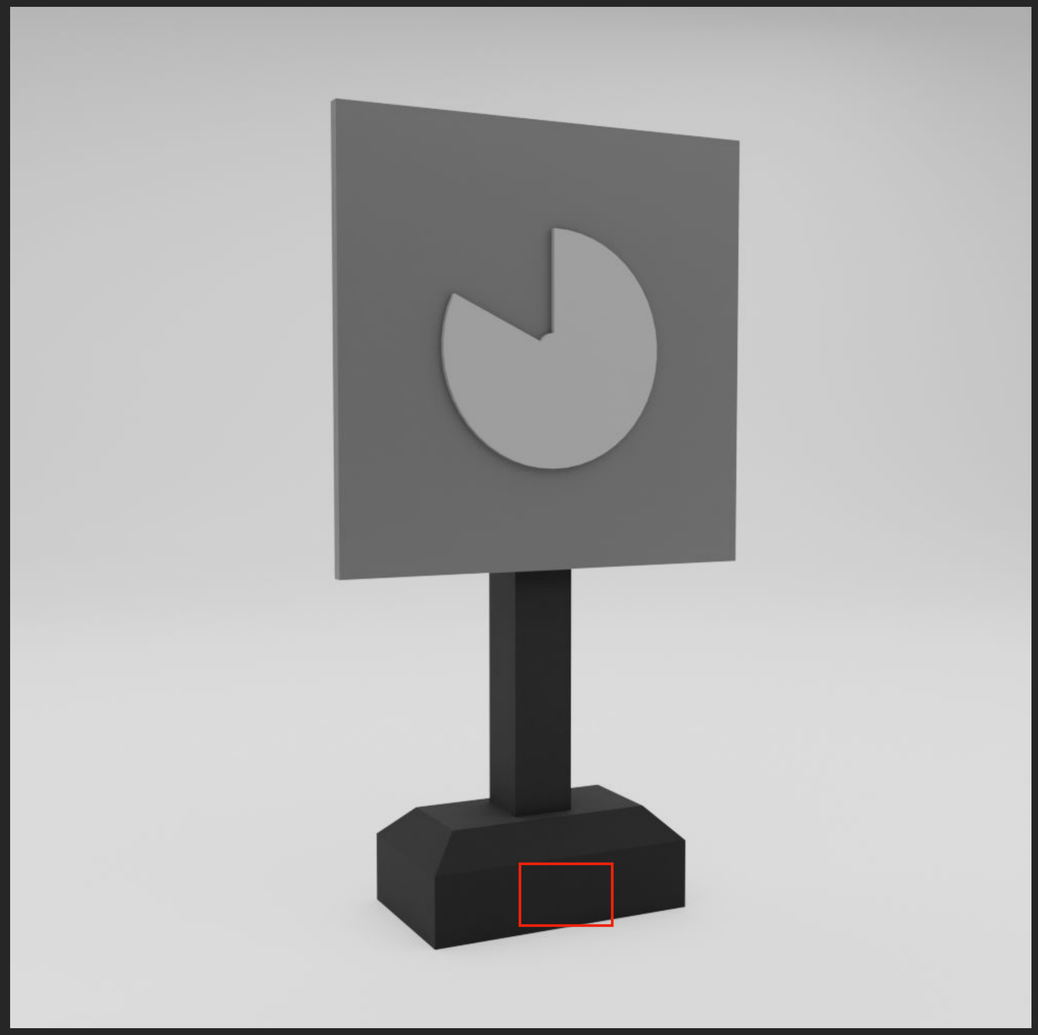

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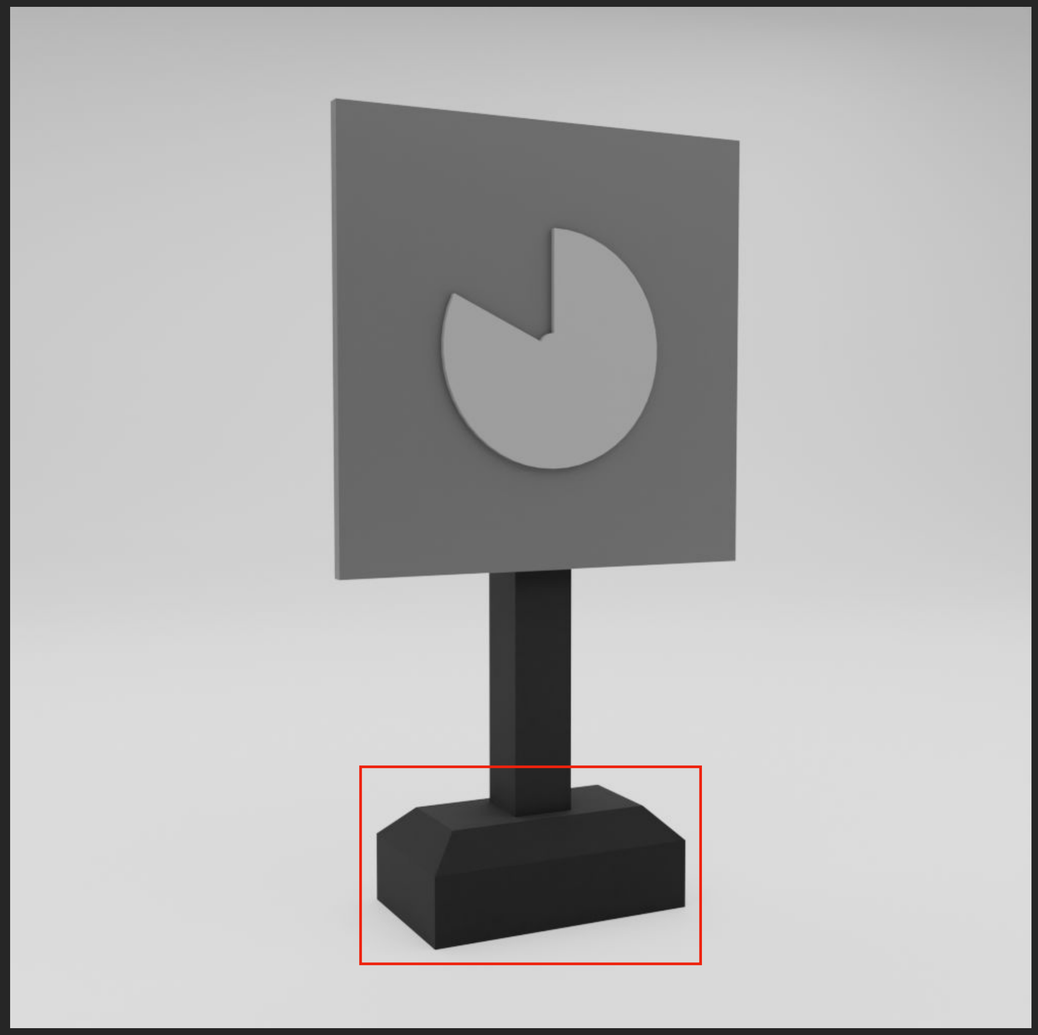

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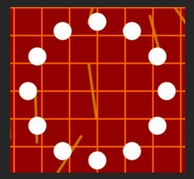

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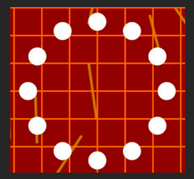

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TRIAL	Missing Sector in °
1	30
2	36.9
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4	66.9
5	90

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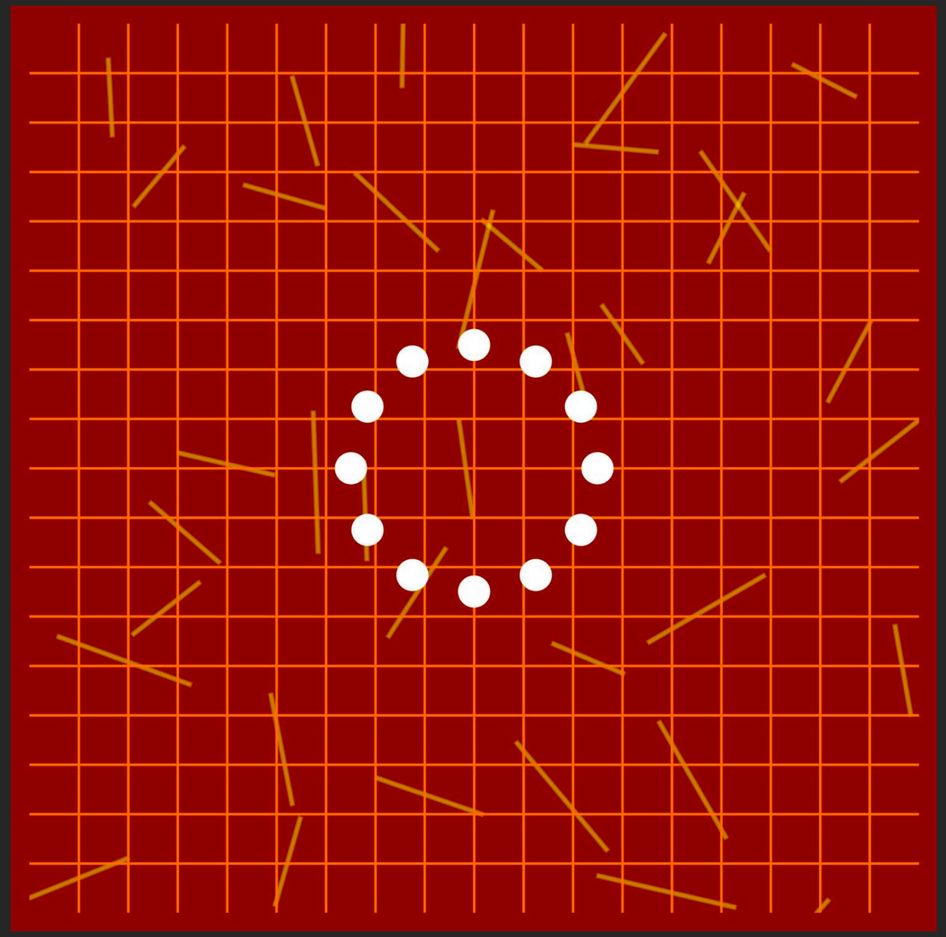

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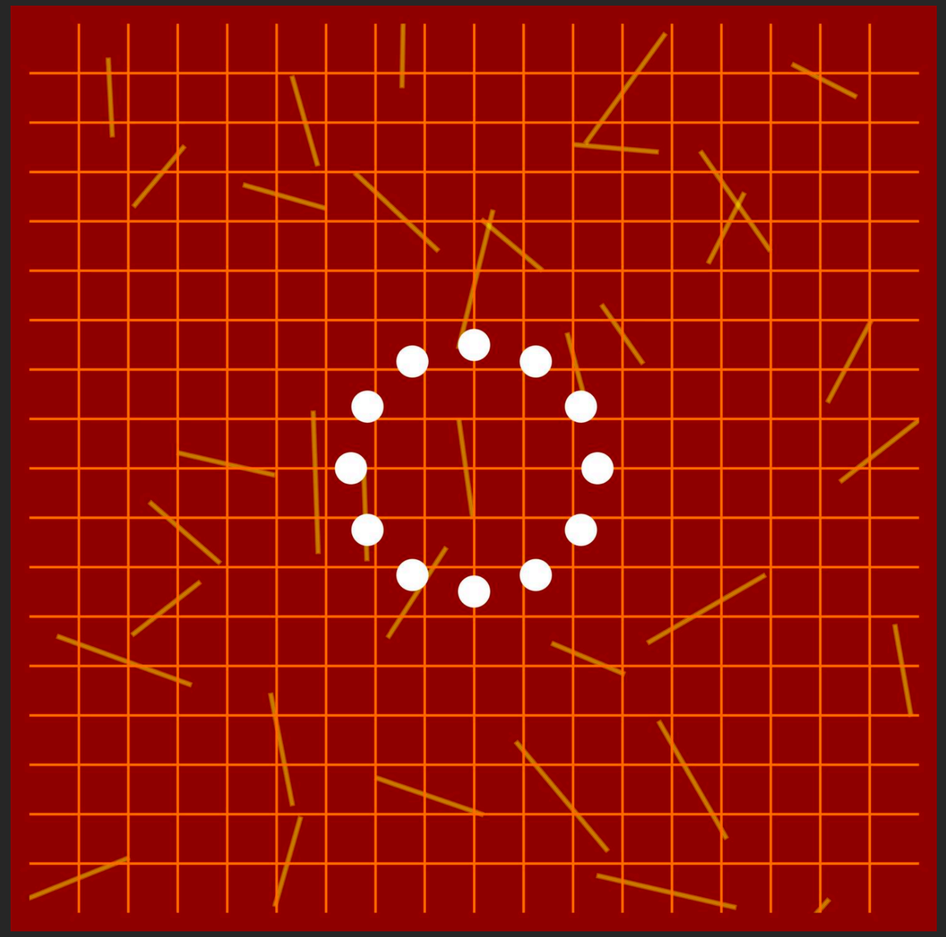

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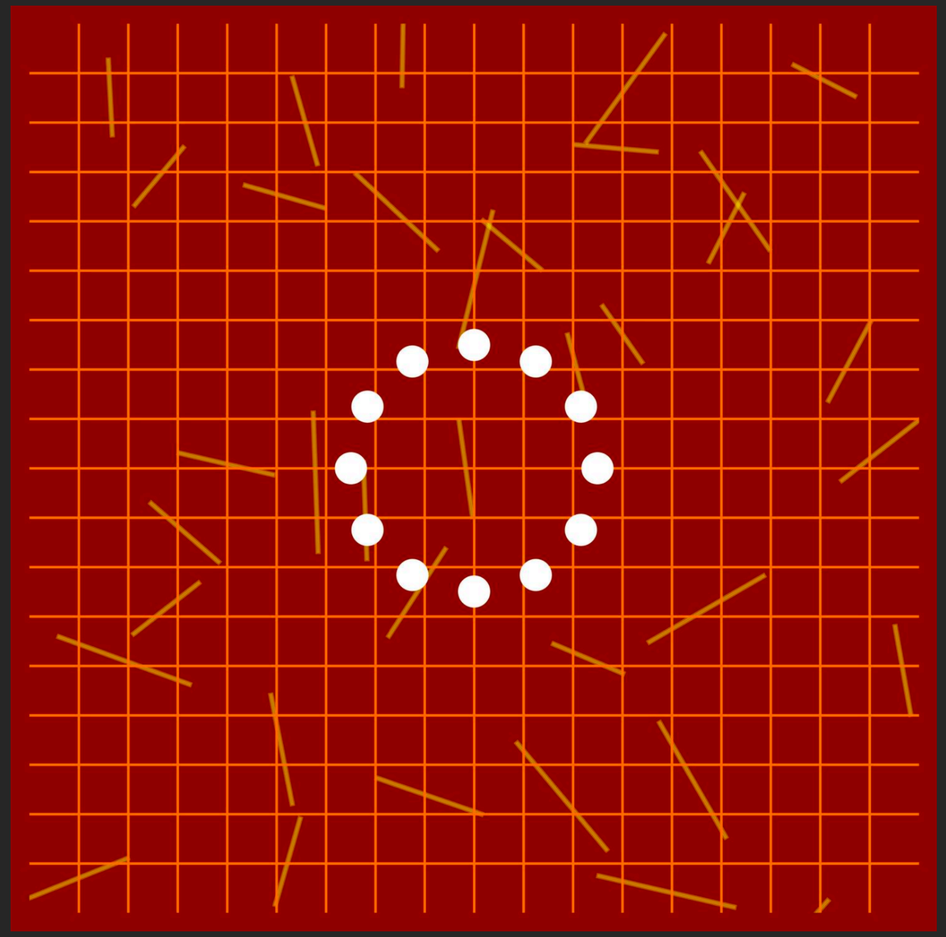

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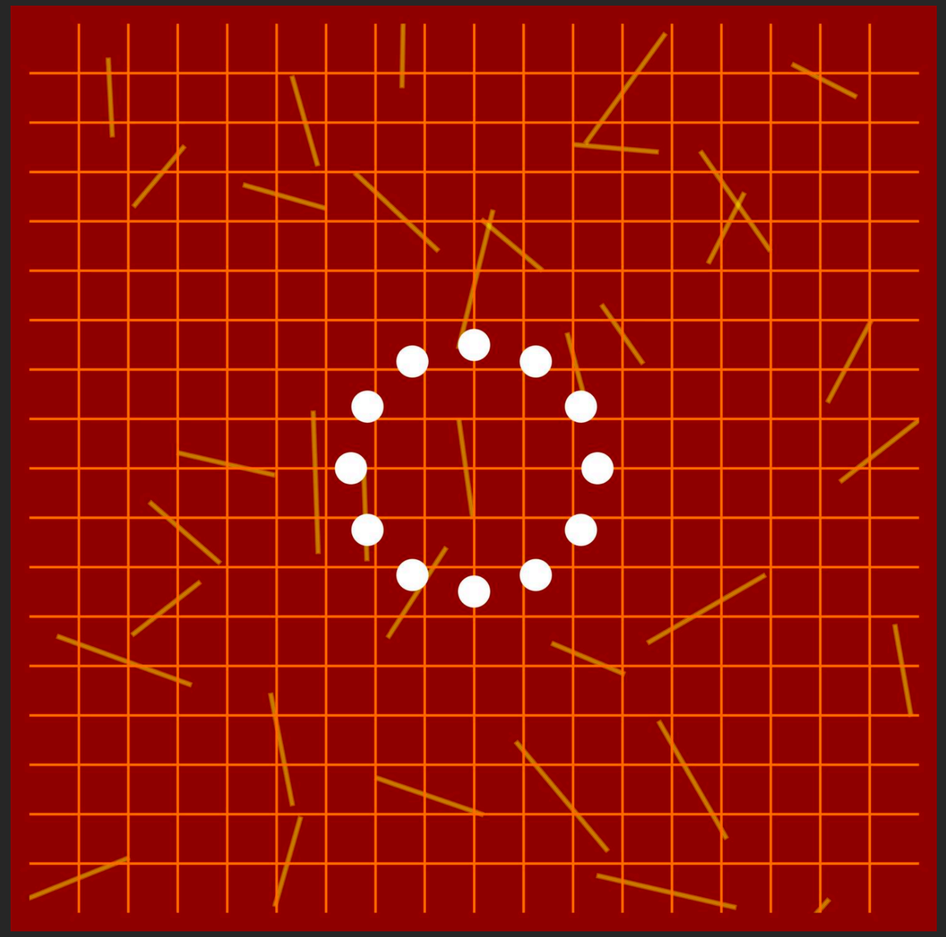

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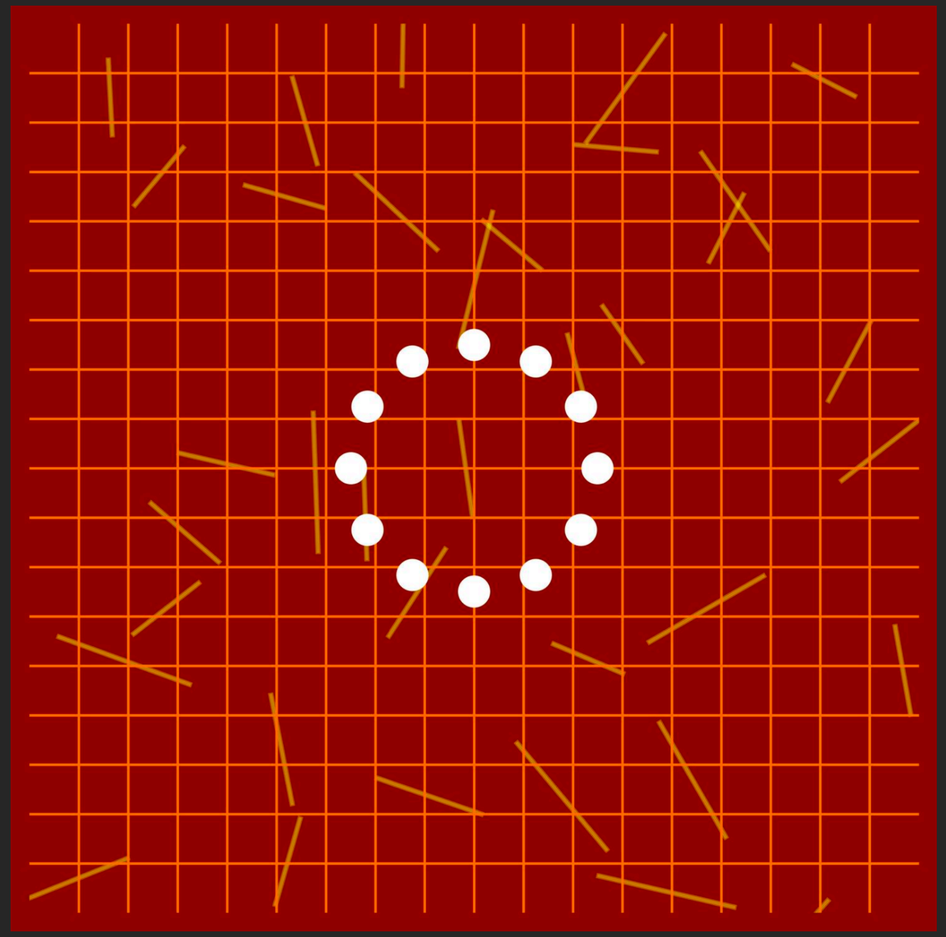

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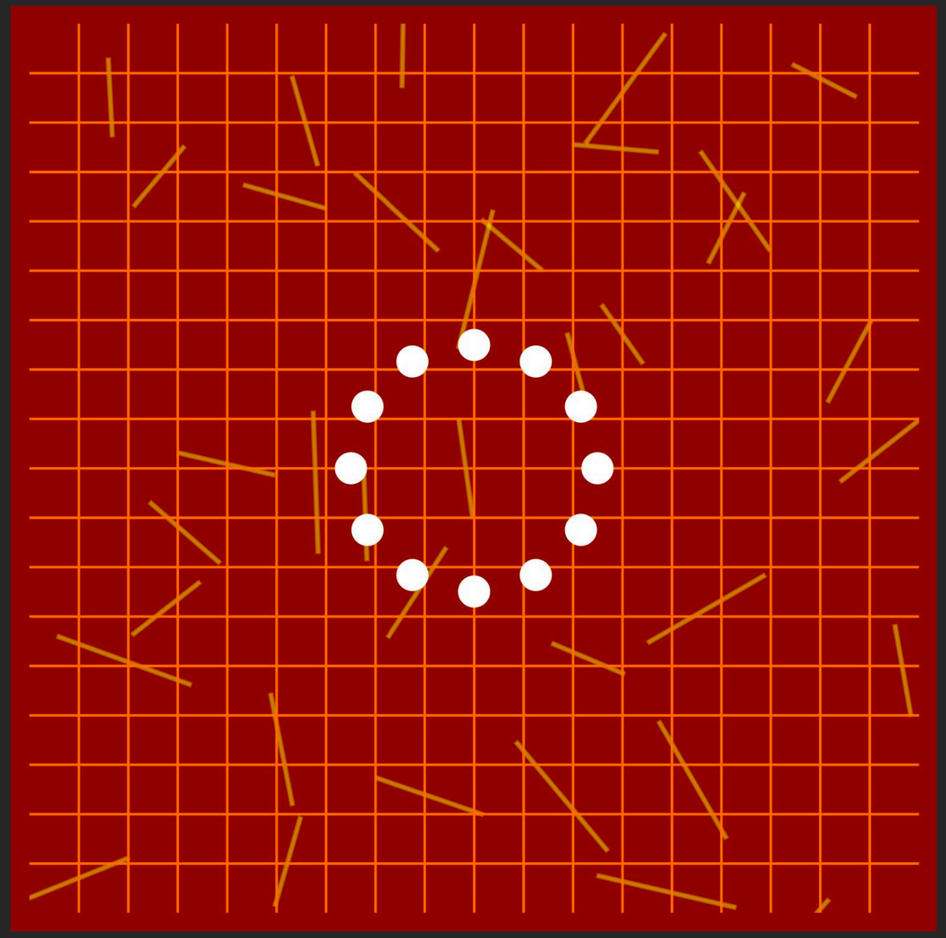
B. 15 trials total

C. Occluder change after every trial



Prototype Demo

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