

Bio-inspired plastic spiking neural networks engaged in learning and sleep cycles

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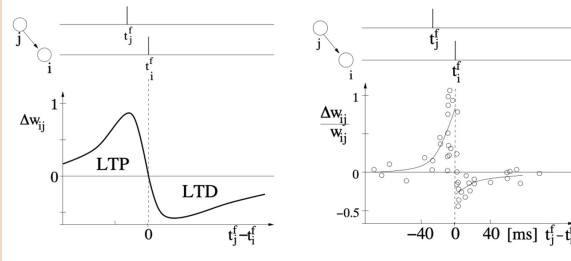
Novel two-compartment spiking neuron supporting brain-state specific apical mechanisms, ...



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} C_m^s \frac{dV^s}{dt} = -g_L^s (V^s - E_L^s) + g_L^s \Delta_T \exp\left(\frac{V^s - V_{th}^s}{\Delta_T}\right) + \\ \quad -g_c^s(t)(V^s - E_c^s) - g_i^s(t)(V^s - E_i^s) + \\ \quad -w + I_e^s - g_C(V^s - V^d) \\ \tau_w \frac{dw}{dt} = a(V^s - E_L^s) + b \sum_k \delta(t - t_k) - w \\ C_m^d \frac{dV^d}{dt} = -g_L^d (V^d - E_L^d) - g_e^d(t)(V^d - E_e^d) - g_i^d(t)(V^d - E_i^d) + \\ \quad + I_{Ca} + I_{KCa} + w_{BAP} \sum_k \delta(t - (t_k + d_{BAP})) + \\ \quad + I_e^d + g_C(V^d - V^s) \end{array} \right.$$

... for real-time incremental STDP learning ...

$$\Delta w = \begin{cases} -W_- \cdot \left(\frac{w}{w_{\max}}\right)^{\mu_-} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{t_{\text{pre}} - t_{\text{post}}}{\tau_-}\right), & \text{if } t_{\text{pre}} - t_{\text{post}} > 0 \\ W_+ \cdot \left(1 - \frac{w}{w_{\max}}\right)^{\mu_+} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{t_{\text{pre}} - t_{\text{post}}}{\tau_+}\right), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



... and ThetaPlanes: piecewise transfer function for bio-inspired artificial intelligence

$$\nu_F(I_s, I_d; \nu) = \Theta_\rho(1 - \Theta_H) \cdot \nu_- + \Theta_H \cdot \nu_+$$

- **Question to be answered:** How the brain consumes only few tens of Watts, while:
 - It is incrementally learning from single shot experiences sampled at >20 video frames /second
 - It integrates experiences that are accumulated over a life-time
 - It merges novel experiences to create novel concepts and abstractions, and forgets what is less relevant
 - Can we exploit brain mechanisms in <<bio-inspired artificial intelligence systems>>?
- **Hints, from experimental evidence, that simulation models could leverage:**
 - Dreaming and deep-sleep occupy two third of life-time in youngster, when learning is at its maximum rate. Prolonged sleep deprivation impairs cognition
 - The brain is the product of evolutionary selection over hundreds of millions of years and countless individuals. Evolution produced experimentally measurable characteristics in the brain architecture
 - Architectural principles and cellular mechanism produced by evolution to combine internal prior with novel evidence are now experimentally accessible
 - As a product of evolution, neurons are not point-like structures
 - Wakefulness and sleep specific “apical” mechanisms exist in the neuron to combine internal priors with novel evidence
 - Connectivity in the brain is recurrent and organized in areas and layers



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Legitimate question. Q: Can INFN Roma produce an impact on this topic? A: selection of our recent papers about the topic discussed today.

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

Thalamo-cortical spiking model of incremental learning combining perception, context and NREM-sleep

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OPEN Sleep-like slow oscillations improve visual classification through synaptic homeostasis and memory association in a thalamo-cortical model

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Beyond spiking networks: the computational advantages of dendritic amplification and input segregation

C. Capone, C. Lupo, P. Muratore, P.S. Paolucci



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Two-compartment neuronal spiking model expressing brain-state specific apical-amplification, -isolation and -drive regimes

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Simulations of working memory spiking networks driven by short-term plasticity

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Burst-Dependent Plasticity and Dendritic Amplification Support Target-Based Learning and Hierarchical Imitation Learning

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

Target spike patterns enable efficient and biologically plausible learning for complex temporal tasks

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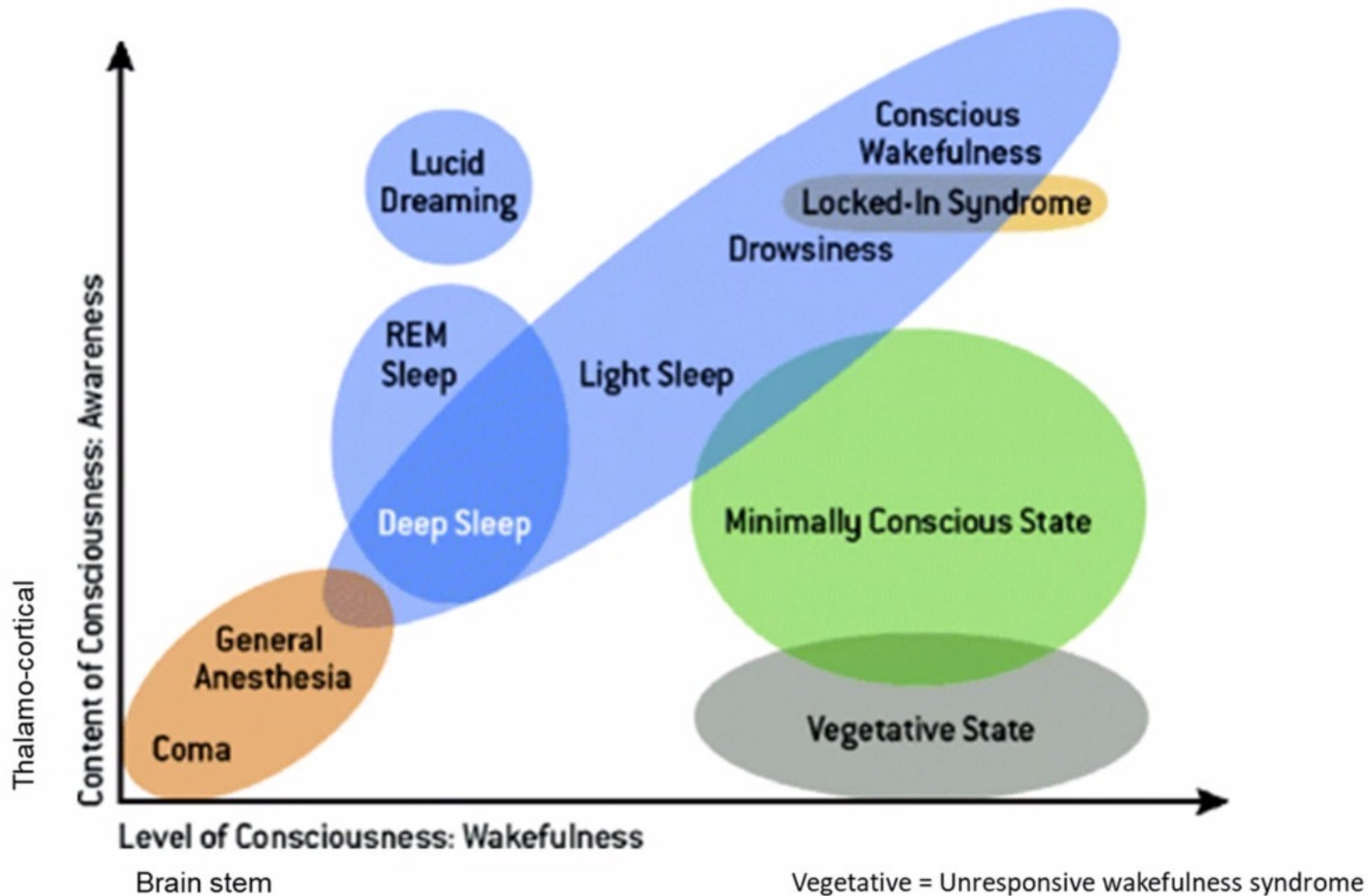
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Talk structure

- Introduction to experimental knowledge about brain states and combination of prior knowledge and novel evidence, we took in consideration in our models
- Primer to plastic spiking neural network simulations
- A selection of our results about how to construct <<Bio-inspired plastic spiking neural networks engaged in learning and sleep cycles>>

A seven slides primer to experimental knowledge about

- Brain-states
- Levels of consciousness
- Architectural principles for combination of internal priors and novel evidence at macro-, meso- and micro-scale
- Response to perturbations during different states
- ...with some totally personal opinions about them

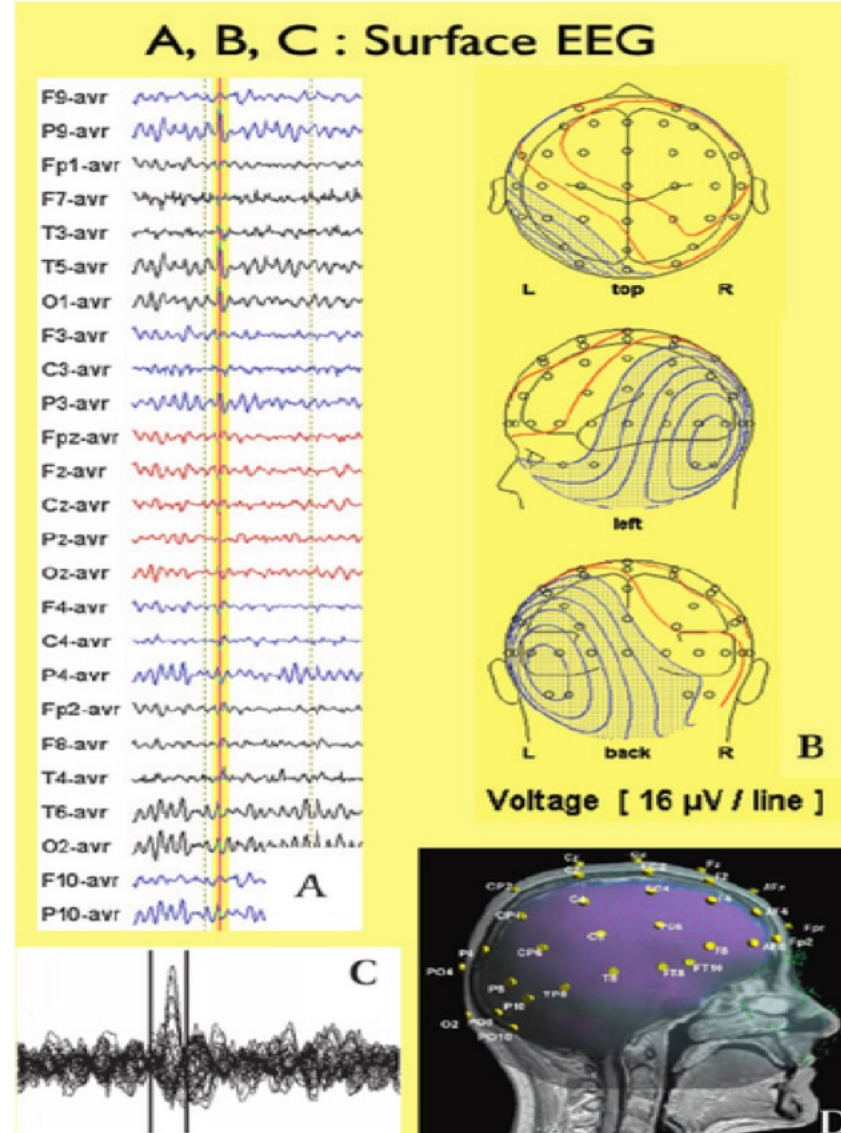


Panel discussion among: M.V. Sanchez-Vives, M. Massimini, S. Laureys, A. Destexhe, J. Storm, M. Mattia, P.S. Paolucci et al. (2020) kick-off meeting of "Networks Underlying Cognition and Consciousness" Work-package, The Human Brain Project.

Subjects awakened during REM (Rapid Eye Movement) report vivid dreams,
Integrating multi-sensorial experiences, REM Sleep considered a conscious state

NREM: Non-REM Sleep

One of the less invasive tools to study the brain-activity: electro-encephalography



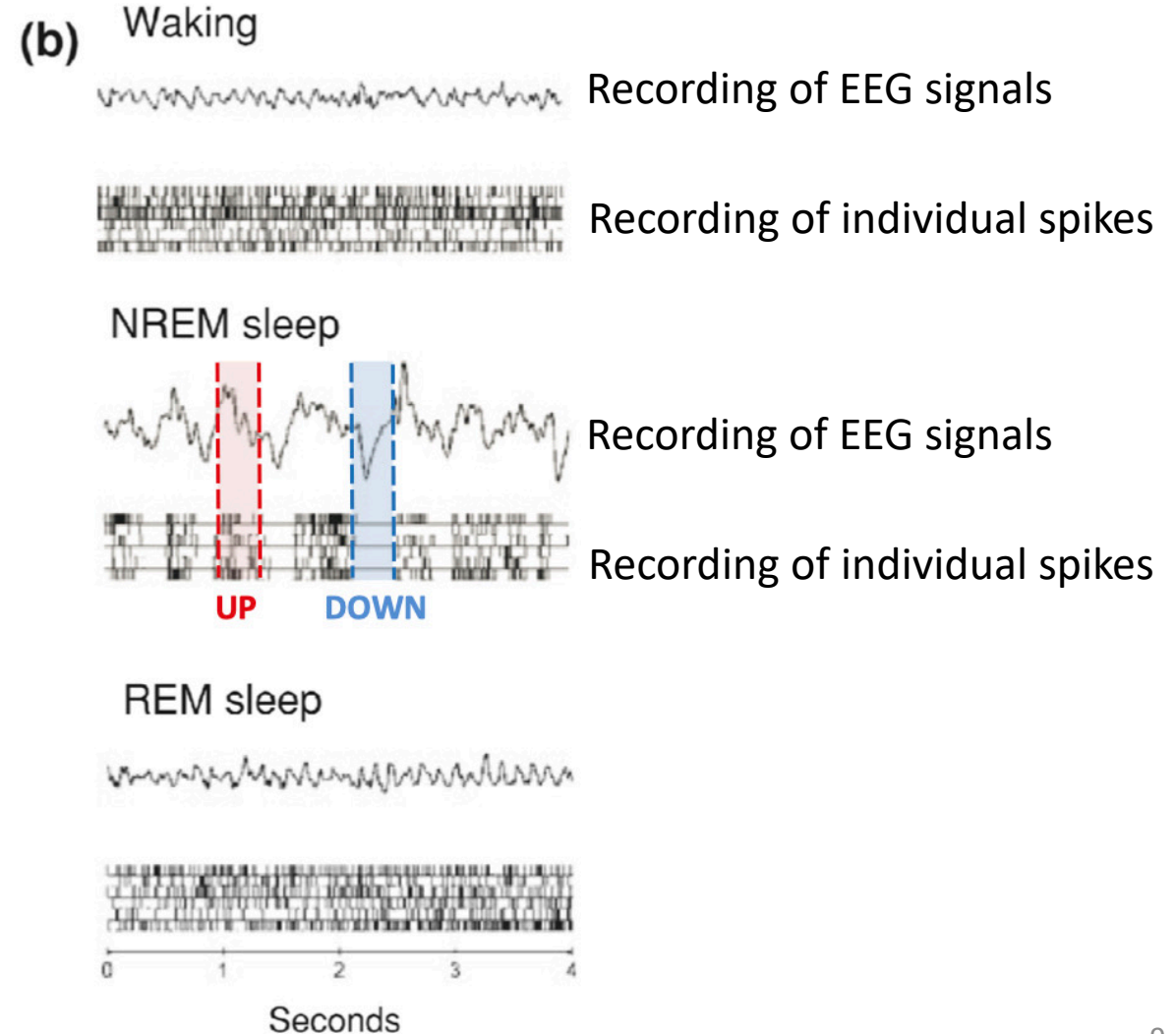
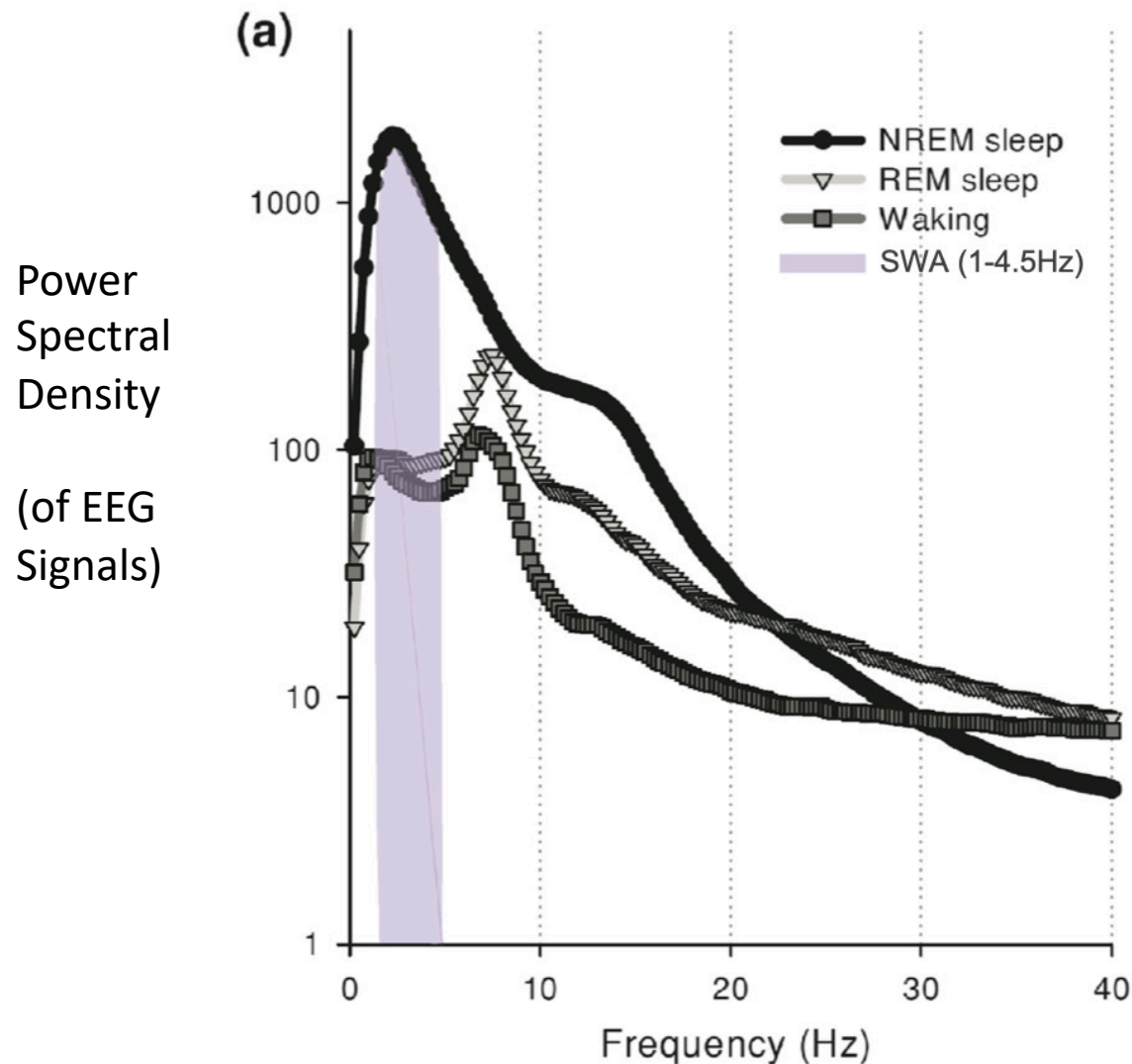
Measurement of fluctuations of electric potential recorded from outside the body.

Note that in the human brain there are about 100 Billion neuron and about one Quadrillion synapses.

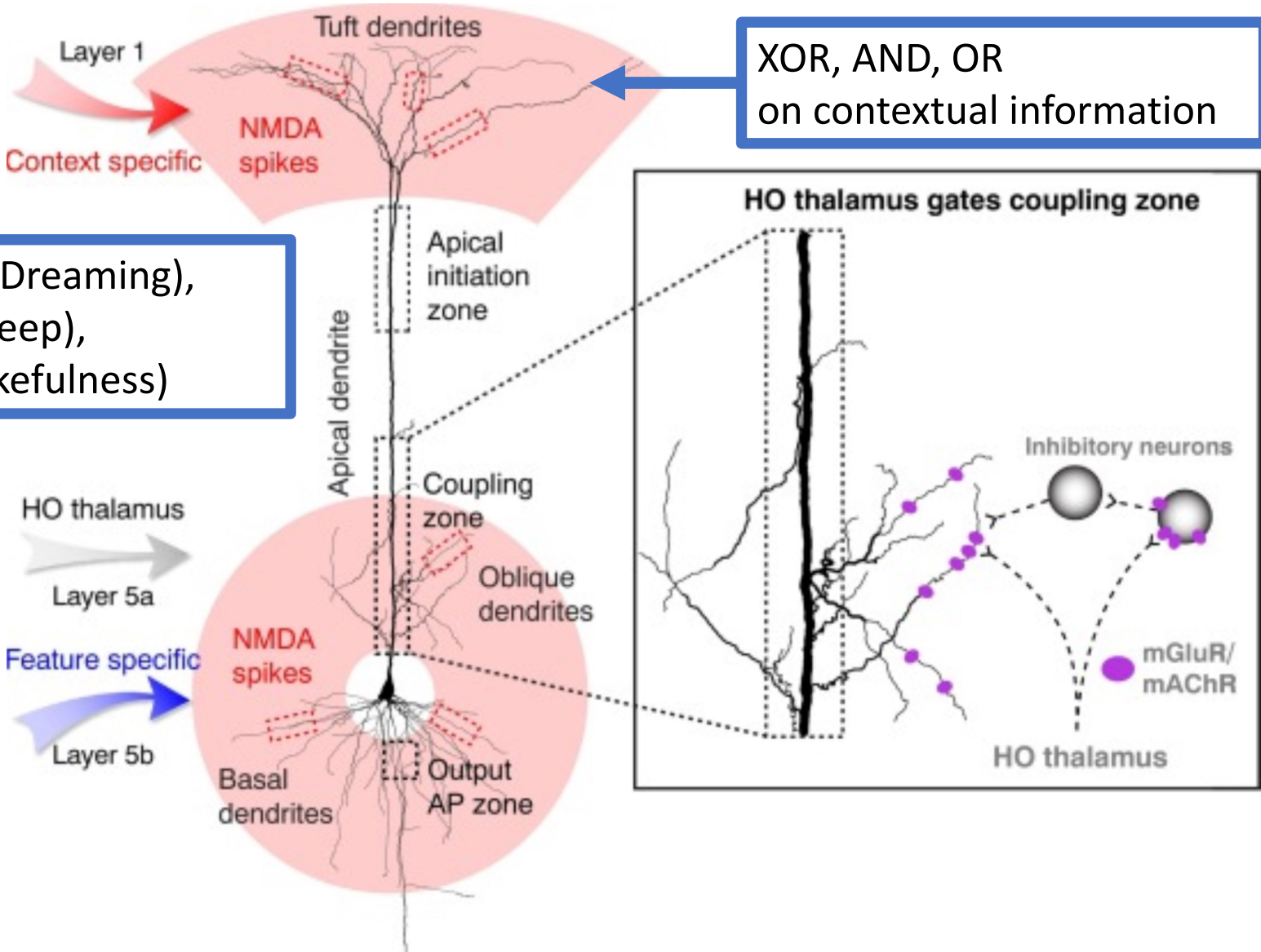
Each neuron and synapse is a non linear computational gate that makes its own computational decision. In less than half a second, the decision of a single neuron activity can produce completely different macroscopic observables.

My personal opinion: what we see here is essential to calibrate simulation models, or to detect pathological and physiological conditions, but computation happens at a much smaller scale.

It is also possible to measure the individual activity of a few hundreds (or thousands) of individual neurons...(remember there are billions of them). **Brain States and Brain Rhythms. Up and Down states and SWA (Slow Waves Activity) during NREM sleep.** Also, note the similarity between wakefulness and REM sleep.



Pyramidal neurons are NOT point like entities. Also, they have brain-state dependent neural mechanisms for conscious / unconscious processing.



Apical Drive (REM Dreaming),
Isolation (NREM sleep),
Amplification (Wakefulness)

XOR, AND, OR
on contextual information

J. Aru, F. Siclari, W. A. Phillips, J. F. Storm (2020)
Apical drive—A cellular mechanism of dreaming?
Neuroscience & Biobehavioral Reviews

J. Aru, M. Suzuki, M. E. Larkum, (2020)
Cellular Mechanisms of Conscious Processing
Trends in Cognitive Sciences



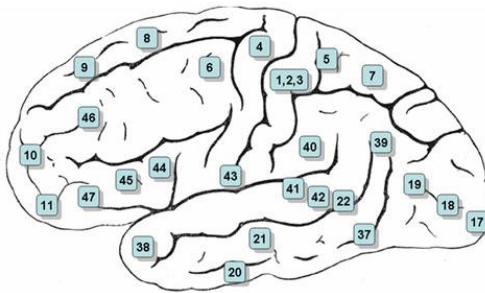
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Essential novelty: measures of white matter long- range inter-areal connectome

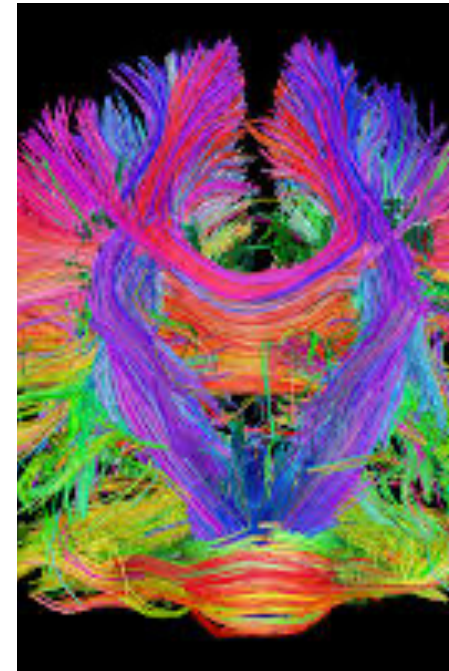
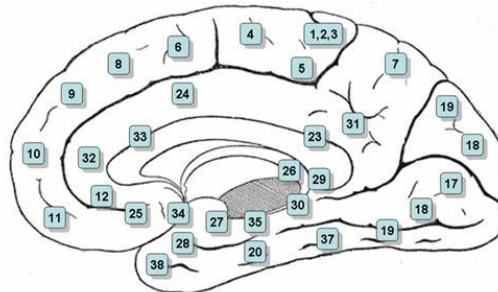
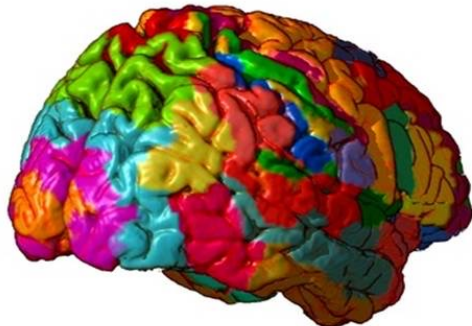
Year 2015 – White matter
mapping, DTI - fiber
tractography (non invasive)



Year 1909 -
Brodmann
Cortical
Areas already
Defined



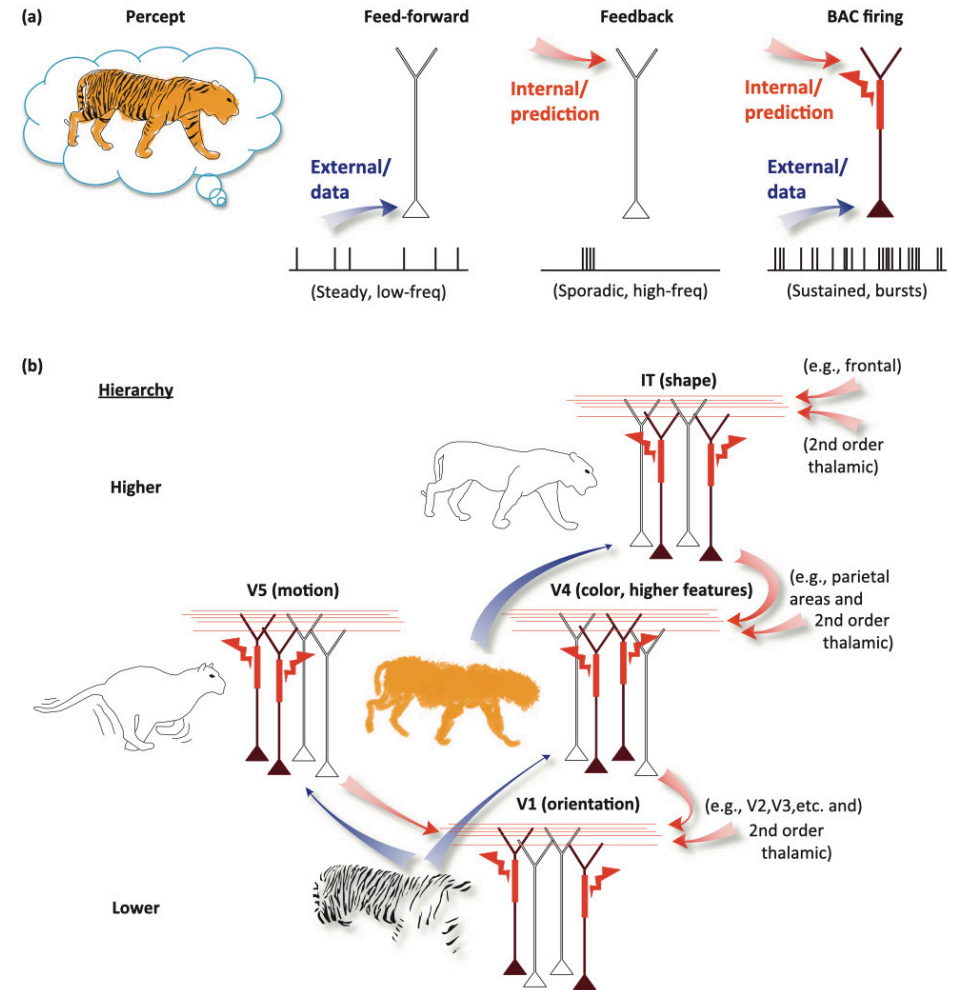
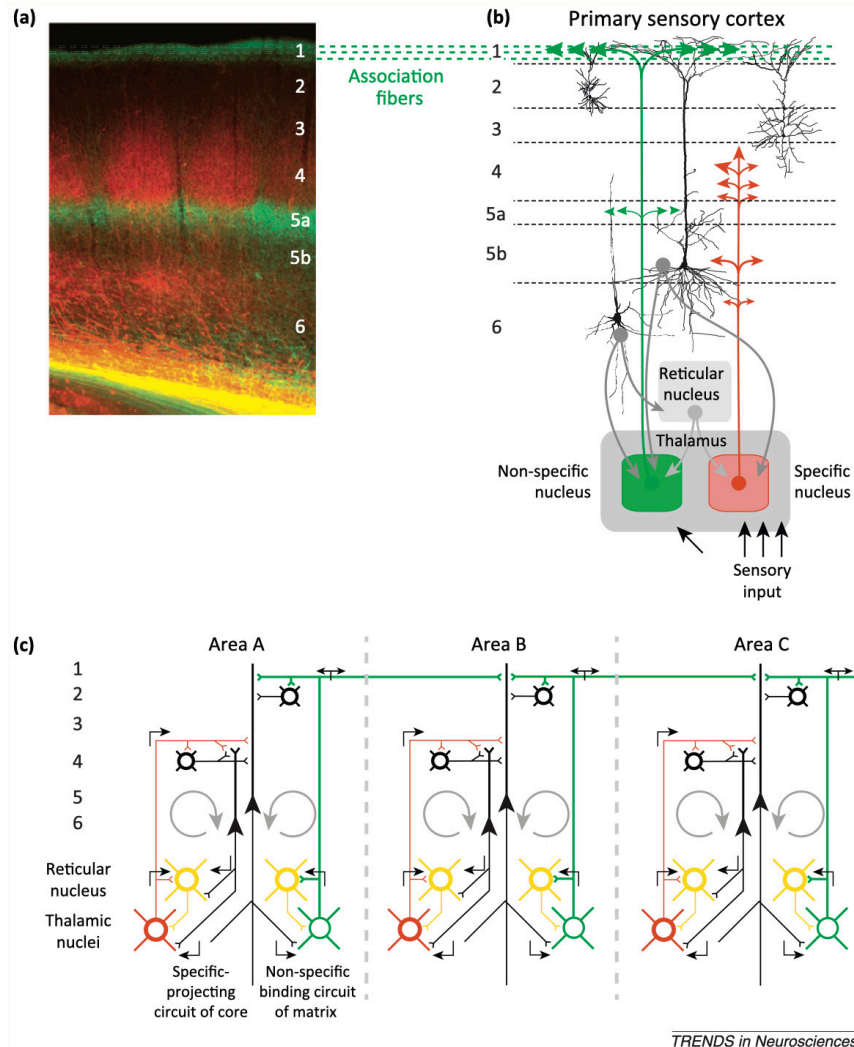
ℓ(2009) Mark Dow



Also, invasive
connectomic
technologies
available (often
requiring post-
mortem access to
tissues)

Connectomic supporting integration of priors and evidence

experience by integration of internal and external information in a multi-area system



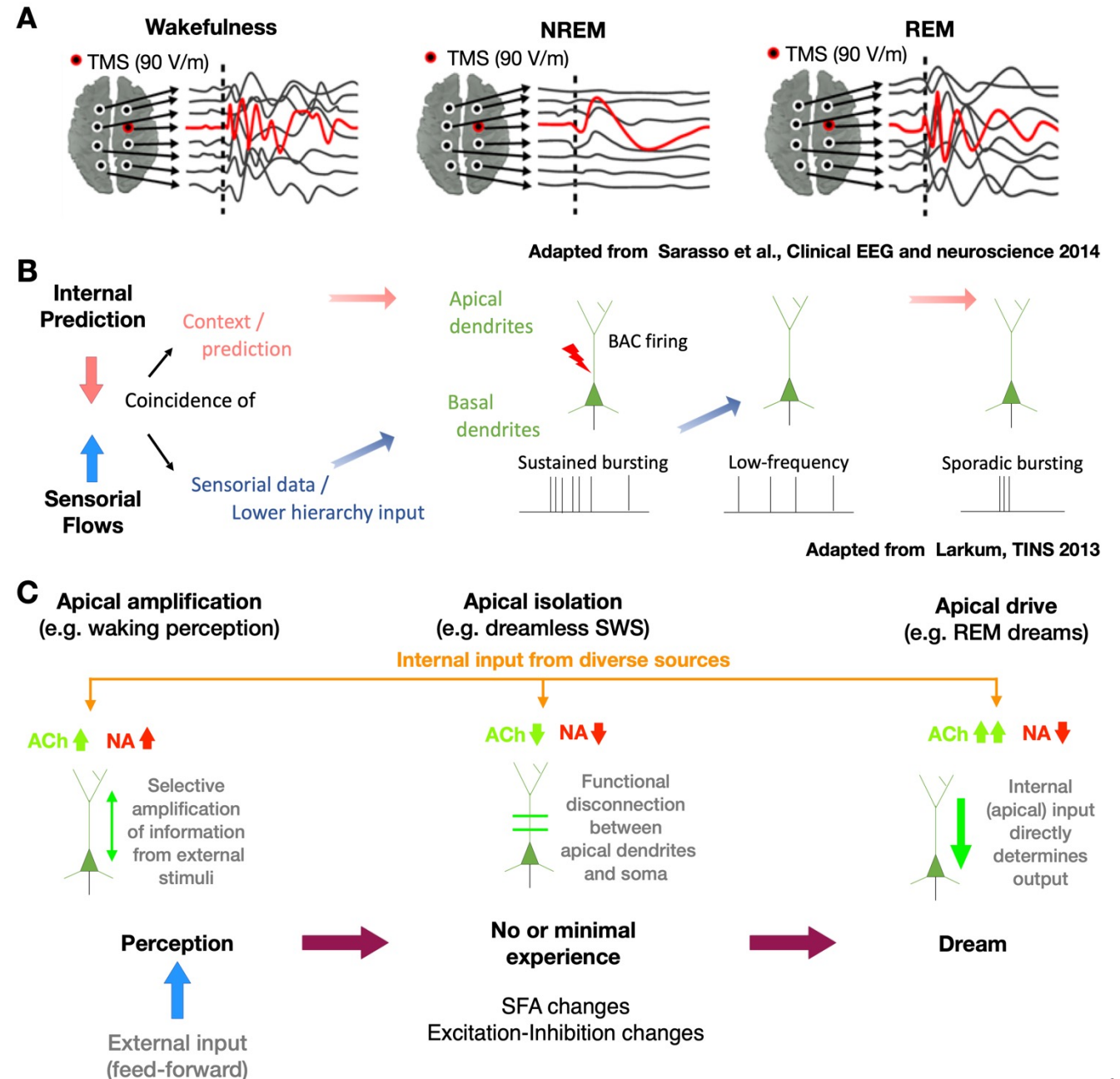
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Other experimental features that inspired our previous generation models, based on single compartment AdEx

A) **RESPONSE TO PERTURBATIONS**. The structural connectivity is the same, but the response to perturbations depends on the brain state. Response complexity is similar between wakefulness and REM sleep, but drops in deepest NREM sleep. Conscious experience of rich, integrated scenario is typically recorded when awakened from REM sleep, but not during deepest NREM.

B) **TEMPORAL COINCIDENCE** between internal predictions and sensorial flow, detected by single neuron, induces sustained bursting during wakefulness.

C) **TRANSITIONS AMONG STATES** and **NEUROMODULATORS**. It is possible to introduce parameters in neural simulations that act as neuromodulation proxies. In our models we limit to Acetylcholine (ACh) and Noradrenaline (NA) proxies.



A four slides primer to learning spiking neural networks models

...and how even single simulations based on point-like depart from neurons used in typical artificial neural network simulations?

A toy spiking neural network with plastic synapses

(1) Excitatory Neuron i , and its membrane potential $V_i(t)$. If a threshold potential is surpassed, it emits a signal, called "spike".

...(2) the spike travels along the "axonal arborization" and reaches...

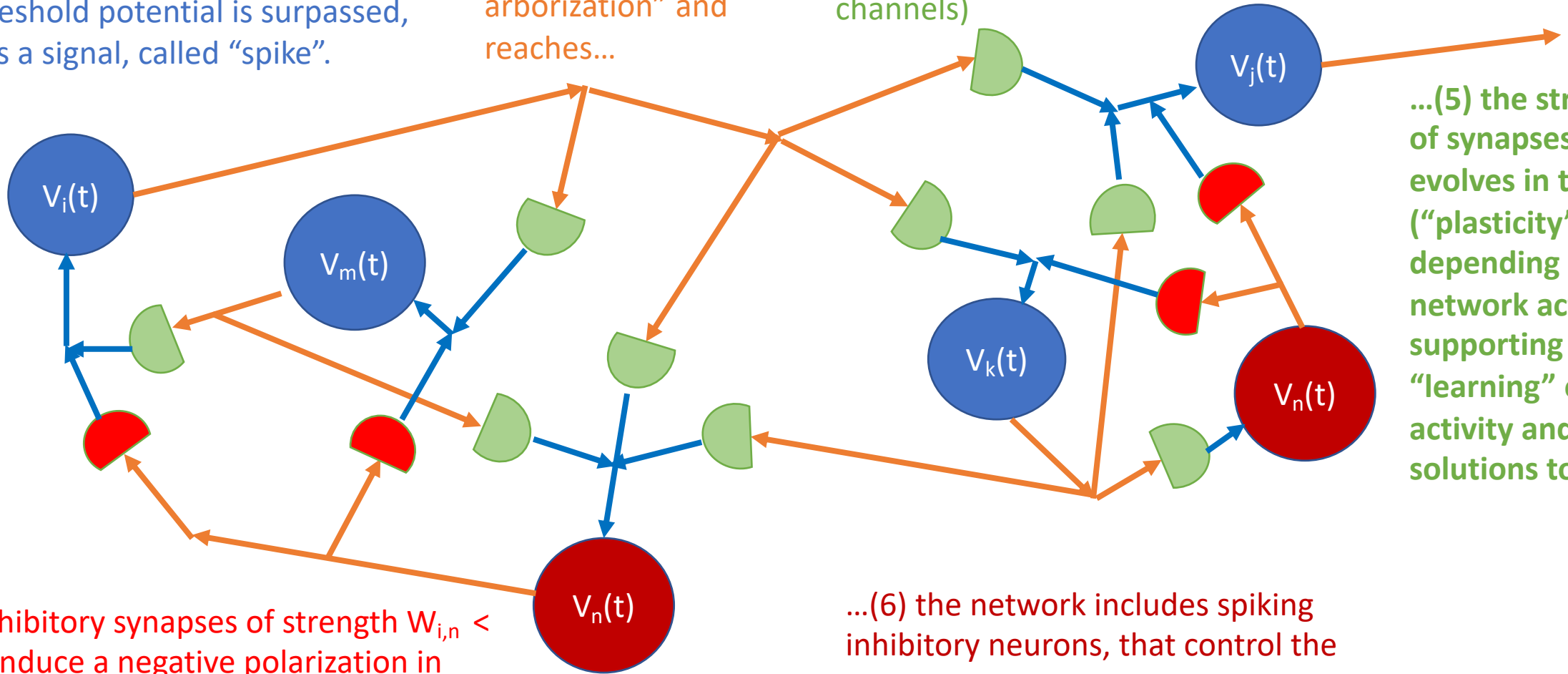
...(3) excitatory synapses of strength $W_{j,i} > 0$ that inject a positive current in postsynaptic neurons (typically, Glutamate neurotransmitter opens the channels)

(4) Contributing to the dynamics of postsynaptic neurons, and to the emission of spikes

...(5) the strength of synapses evolves in time ("plasticity") depending on the network activity, supporting "learning" of past activity and novel solutions to tasks

...(7) inhibitory synapses of strength $W_{i,n} < 0$ that induce a negative polarization in postsynaptic neurons (mainly GABA neurotransmitter is the channel opener)

...(6) the network includes spiking inhibitory neurons, that control the activity of other neurons by...



The AdEx “spiking” single-compartment neuron with spike frequency adaptation

$$\begin{cases} C_m \frac{dV}{dt} &= -g_L(V - E_L) + g_L \Delta_T \exp\left(\frac{V - V_{th}}{\Delta_T}\right) - g_e(t)(V - E_e) - g_i(t)(V - E_i) - w + I_e \\ \tau_w \frac{dw}{dt} &= a(V - E_L) + b \sum_k \delta(t - t_k) - w \end{cases}$$

If $V(t_s)$ exceeds the threshold parameter V_{th}

- a “spike” is considered emitted at time t_s
- V is reset to the afterspike potential parameter V_{res}
- A refractory time parameter T_{ref} can be set during which V is kept at the constant value V_{res}

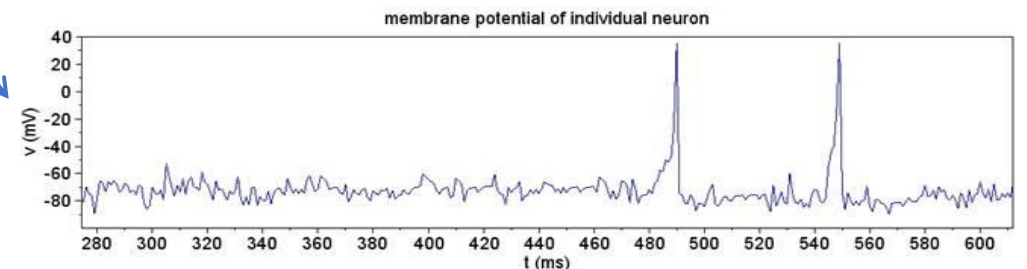
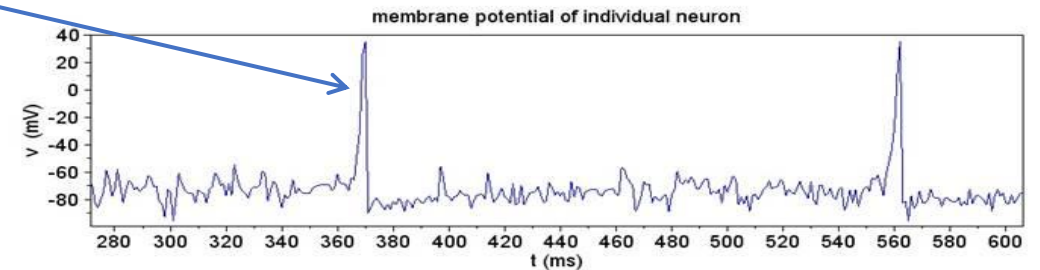
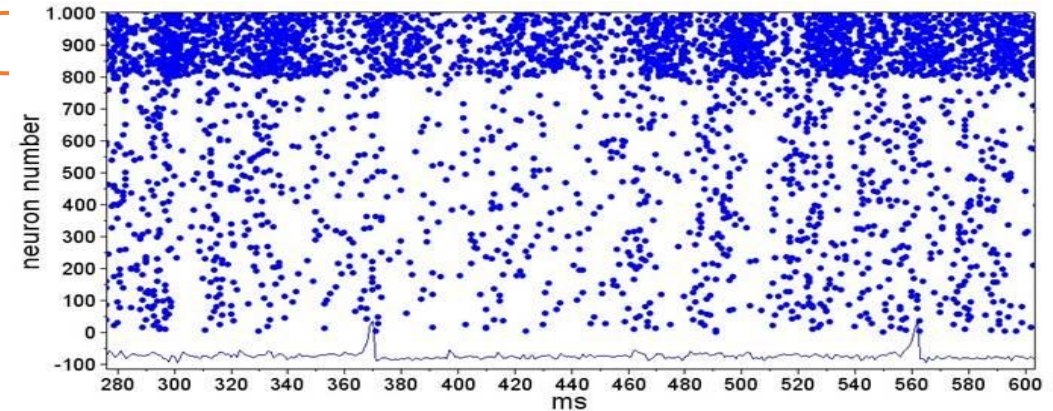
- $V(t)$ neuron membrane potential
- C_m neuron membrane capacitance
- g_L leakage conductance
- g_e conductance of incoming excitatory synapses
- g_i conductance of incoming inhibitory synapses
- I_e additional input current (e.g. to simulate insertion of electrode)
- ω Spike Frequency Adaptation, each emitted spike raises its value
- b parameter in ω equation, is a proxy for one of the brain-state chemical neuromodulators (ACh).
- E_L leakage potential, is a parameter that can be associated to another chemical neuromodulator (NA)
- Δ_T a parameter used for better fit of AdEx to experimental measures

Brette R and Gerstner W (2005). *Adaptive exponential integrate-and-fire model as an effective description of neuronal activity*. **Journal of Neurophysiology**

small scale example of spiking neural net simulation

- Each dot in the rastergram represents an individual spike
- 200 inhibitory neurons
- 800 excitatory neurons
- The evolution of the membrane potential of individual neurons is simulated
- The evolution of individual synaptic strength is computed (not shown in the picture)
- individual synaptic delays are taken into account
- Individual connections and neural types can be programmed
- Typical time-step for integration: 0.01 ms \rightarrow 0.1 ms

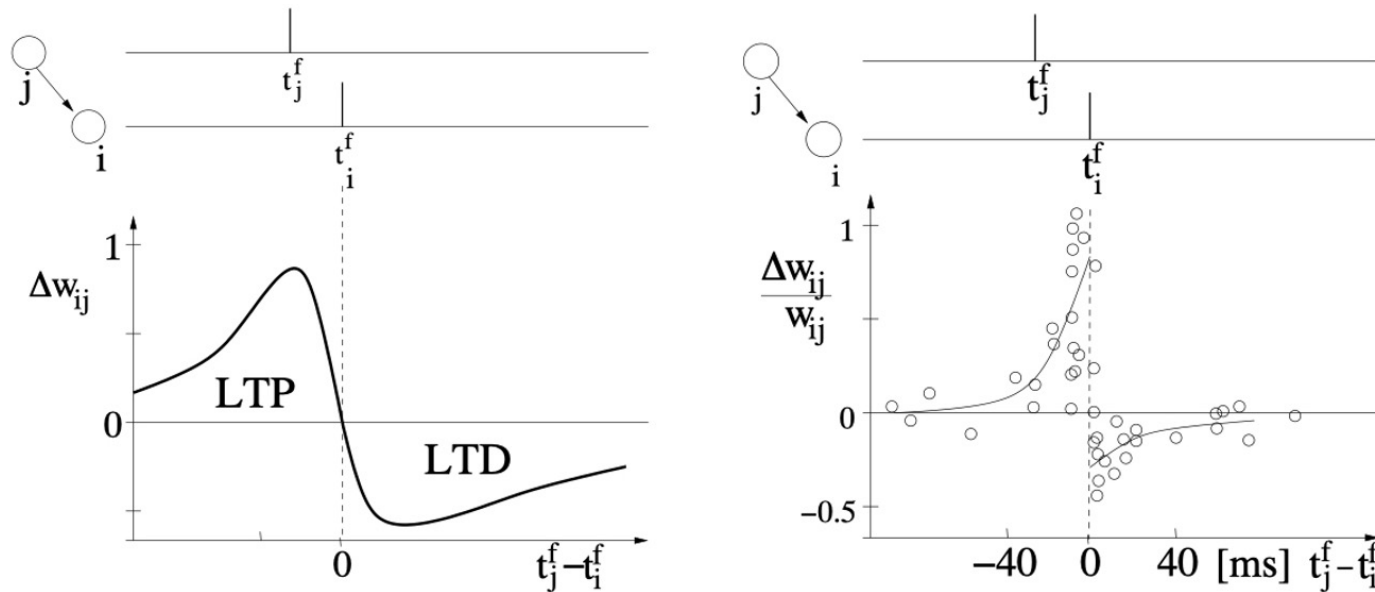
Collective Spiking Rastergram and activity of individual neurons



An example of synaptic learning rule for spiking neural networks: Spiking-time dependent plasticity (STDP)

$$\Delta w = \begin{cases} -W_- \cdot \left(\frac{w}{w_{\max}}\right)^{\mu_-} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{t_{\text{pre}} - t_{\text{post}}}{\tau_-}\right), & \text{if } t_{\text{pre}} - t_{\text{post}} > 0 \\ W_+ \cdot \left(1 - \frac{w}{w_{\max}}\right)^{\mu_+} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{t_{\text{pre}} - t_{\text{post}}}{\tau_+}\right), & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

R. Gütig, R. Aharonov, S. Rotter, H. Sompolinsky (2003). *Learning input correlations through nonlinear temporally asymmetric Hebbian Plasticity*. **The Journal of Neuroscience**



Biological synapses are engines that are able to detect both causality and anti-causality.

They can reward themselves, by increasing their values when causality is detected, and depress themselves when anti-causality is detected.

...and from now on, something about our work...

- **Part I. Models of incremental learning and sleep cycles based on standard single-compartment spiking neuron (AdEx)**
- Part II. Introducing two-compartment model with cellular support for apical-ampification, apical-isolation and apical-drive mechanisms, and simplified transfer function for bio-inspired artificial intelligence applications to come
- Part III.
 - Cobrawap (Collaborative Brain Wave Analysis Pipeline) advertisement
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Thalamo-cortical spiking models showing the beneficial cognitive and energetic effects of the interplay among sleep and memories, learned by combining contextual and perceptual information

Sleep

- Sleep essential, in all animal species
- Young humans pass the majority of time sleeping, when learning is faster
- Sleep deprivation detrimental for cognition

Sleep Functions (in brains)

Optimization of energy consumption / cognitive performance

Homeostatic processes (normalization of representations)

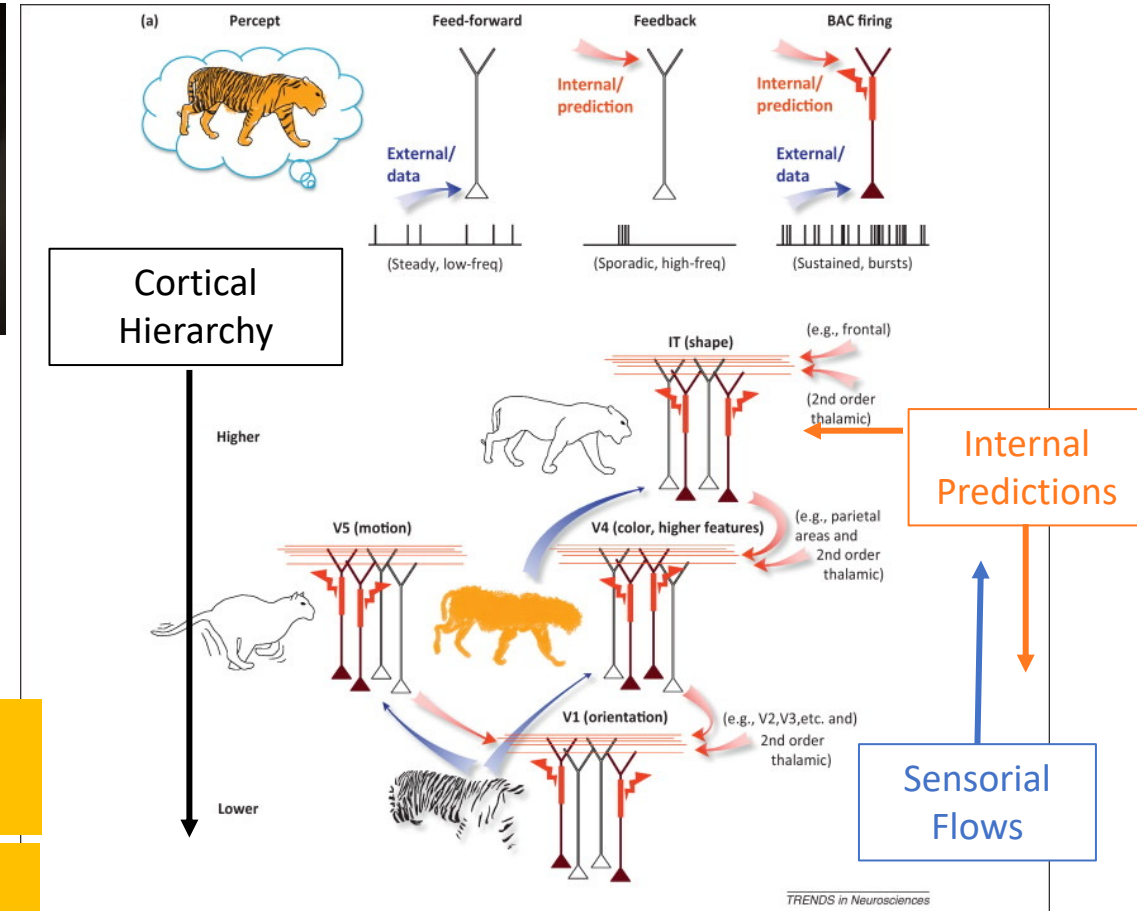
Novel, creative associations and planning

Recovery / restorations of bio-chemical optimality

(our opinion) Sleep essential for bio-inspired artificial intelligence



Wakefulness



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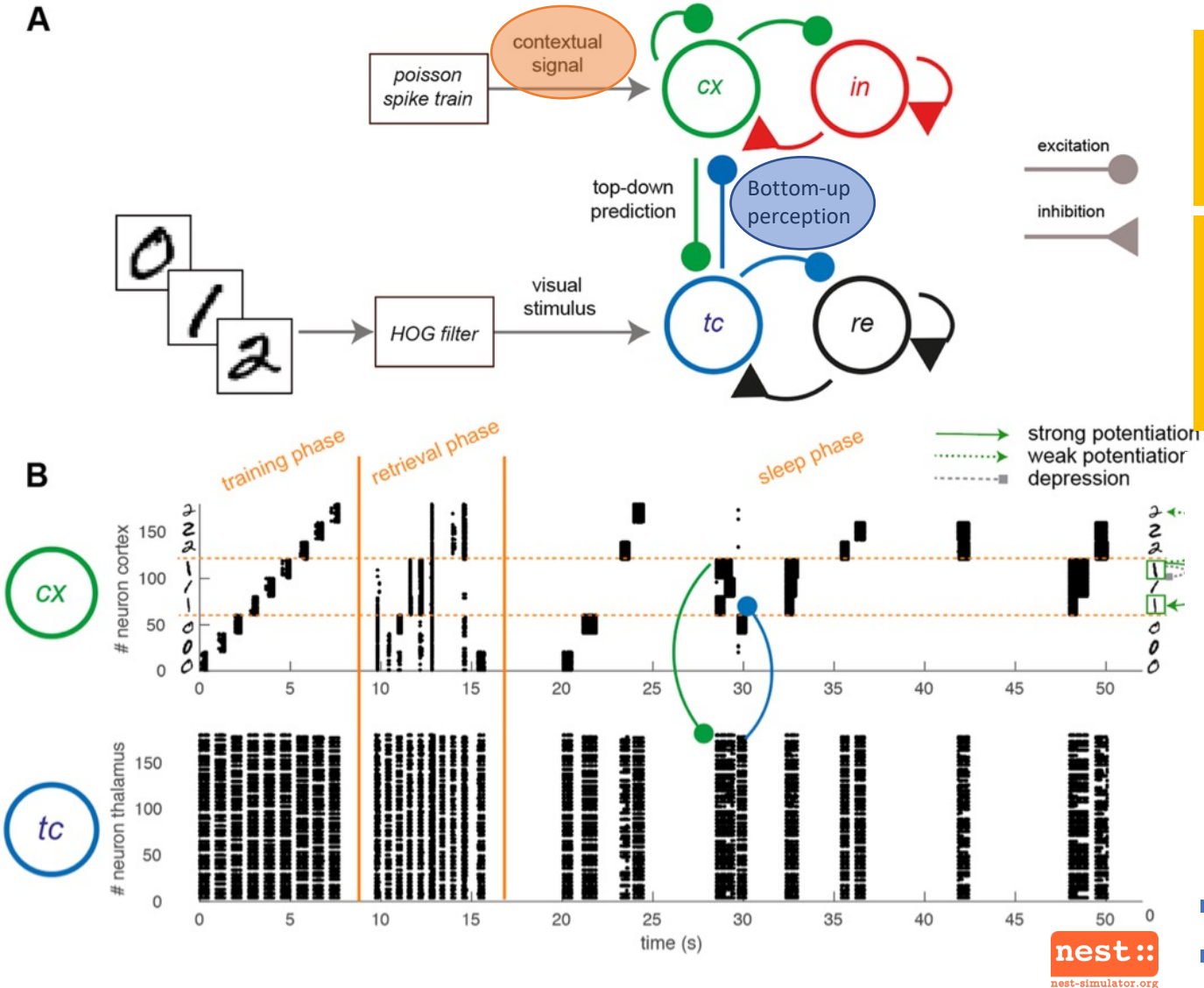
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NREM and REM: cognitive and energetic effects in thalamo-cortical sleeping and awake spiking model *arXiv:2211.06889* (2022) (under review). L. Tonielli, C. De Luca, E. Pastorelli, ..., Golosio, P.S. Paolucci.

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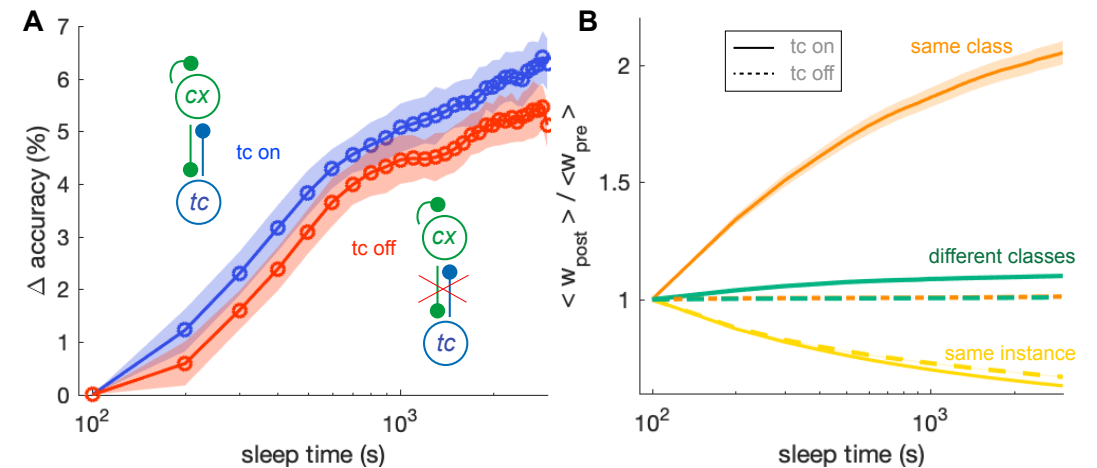
Apical-amplification simplifies incremental learning. Sleep spontaneously normalizes and associates memories

Key trick using single compartment AdEx neurons. Put them underthreshold when only bottom-up signals arrive.



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- Classification accuracy improved by sleep (left).
- Differential synaptic homeostasis (right)

Other spontaneous features

C) Sleep reduces firing rates and energy consumption on next awakening

Synaptic matrices

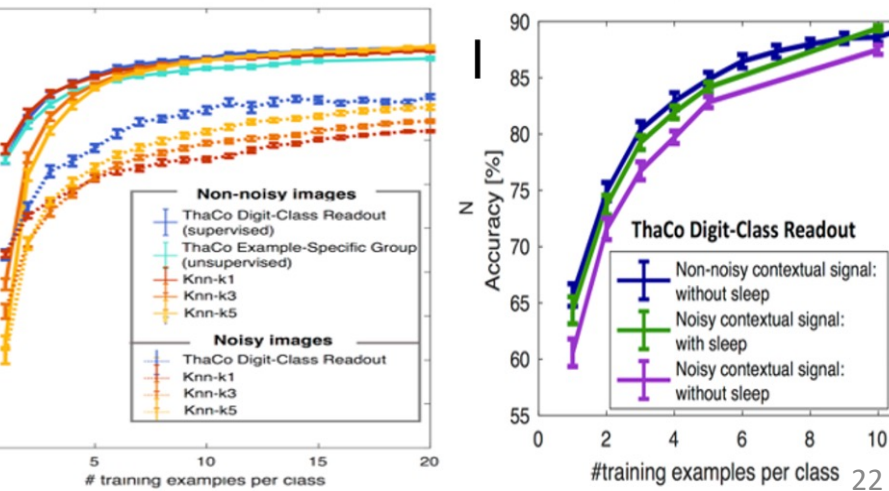
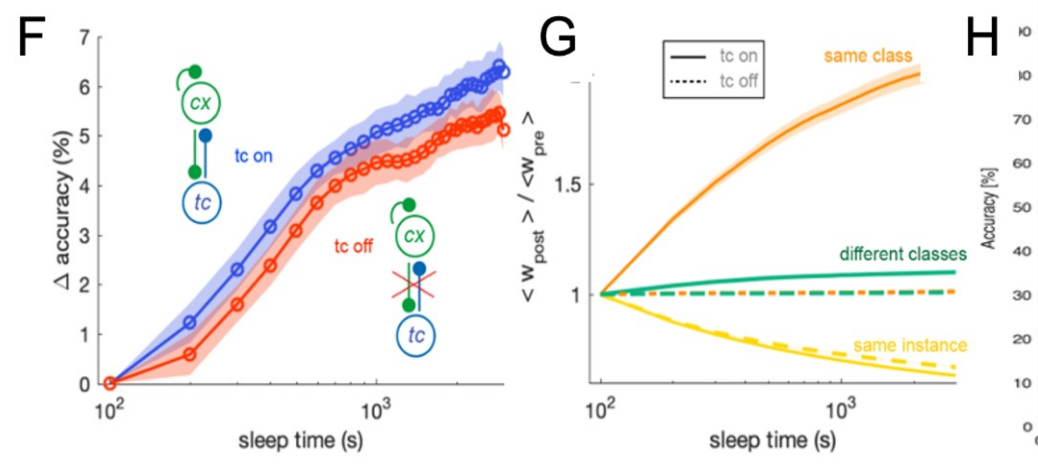
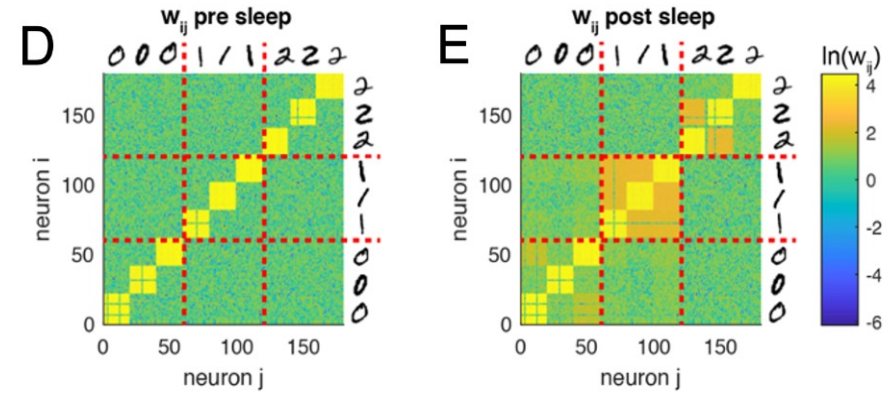
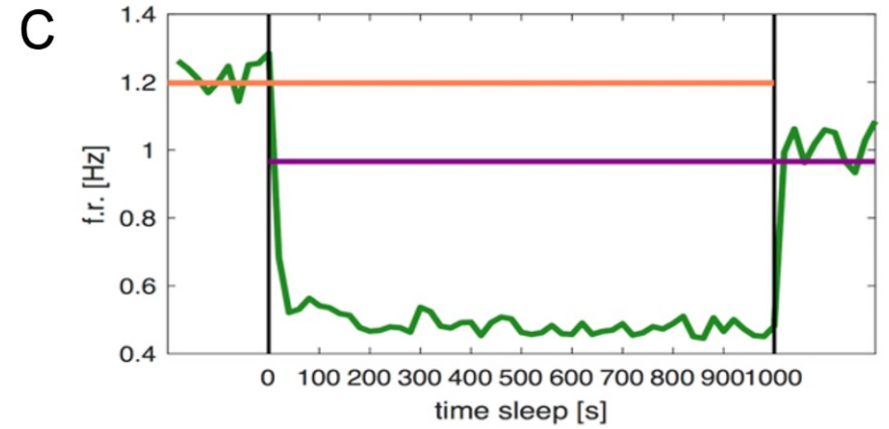
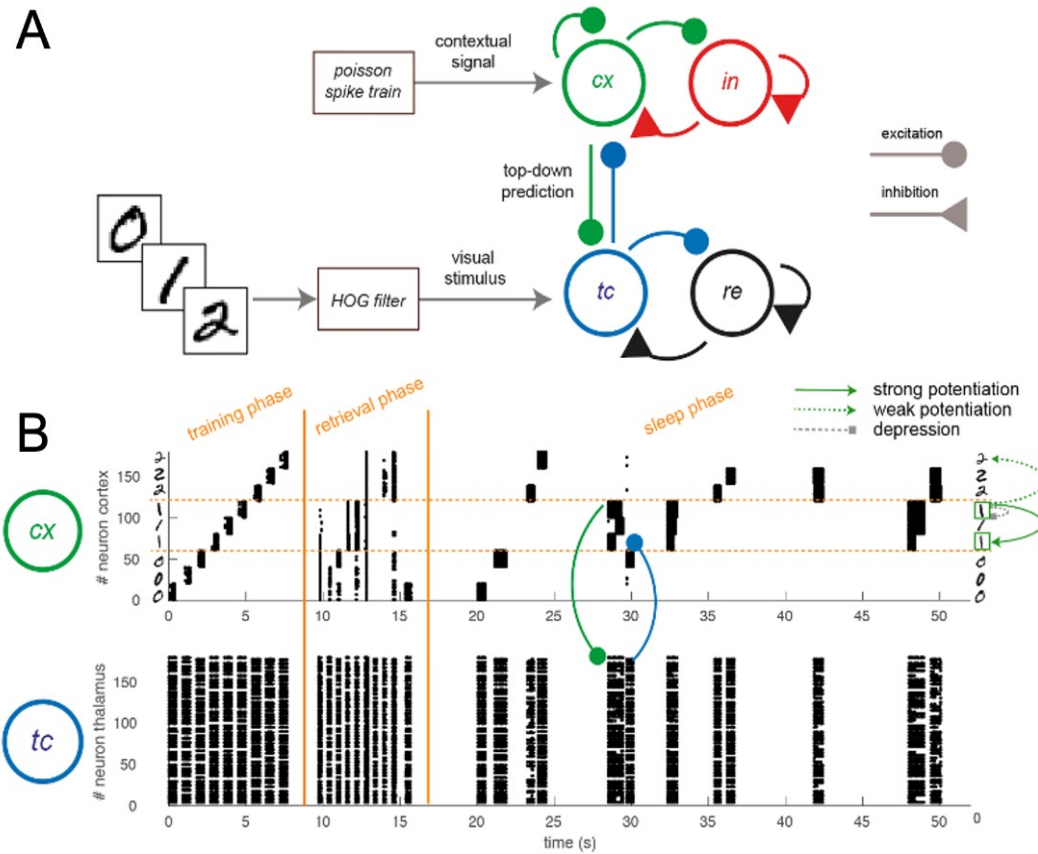
D) Before sleep:

Yellow squares: images learned by neural groups

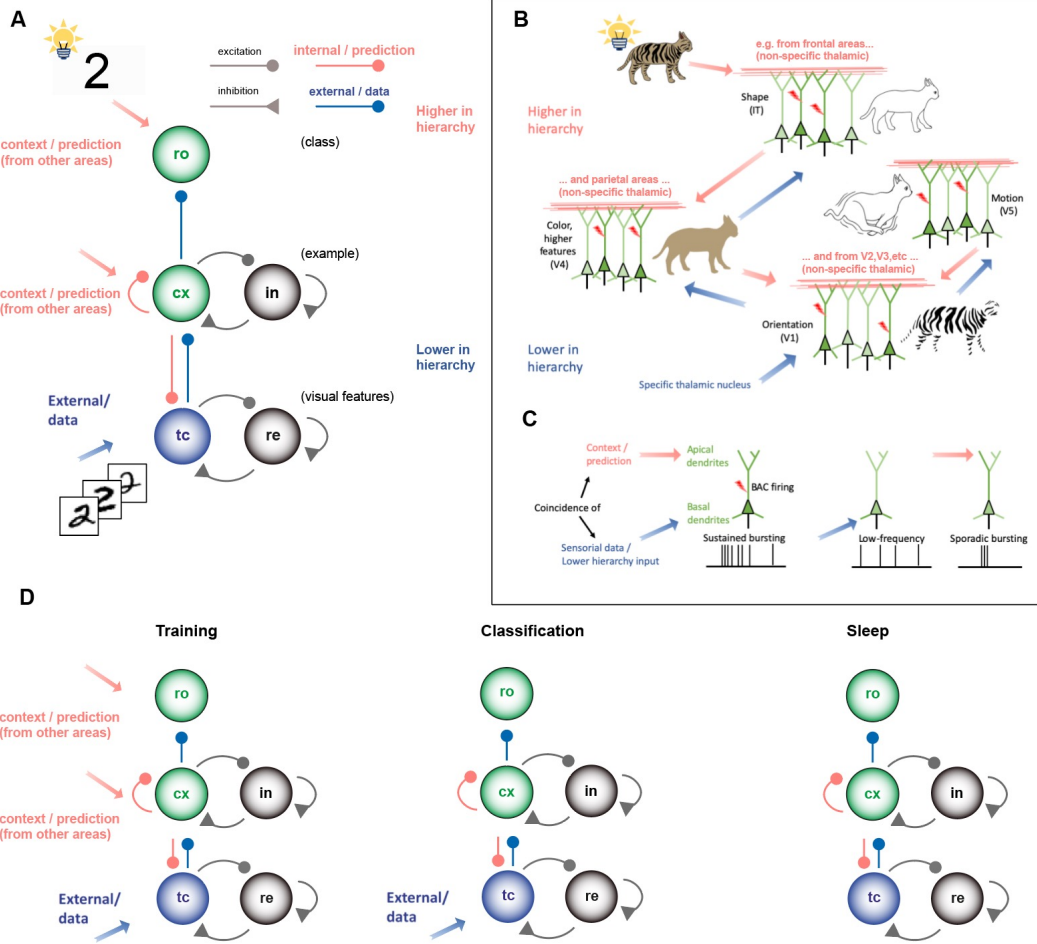
E) After sleep:

Orange blocks: spontaneous creation of classes

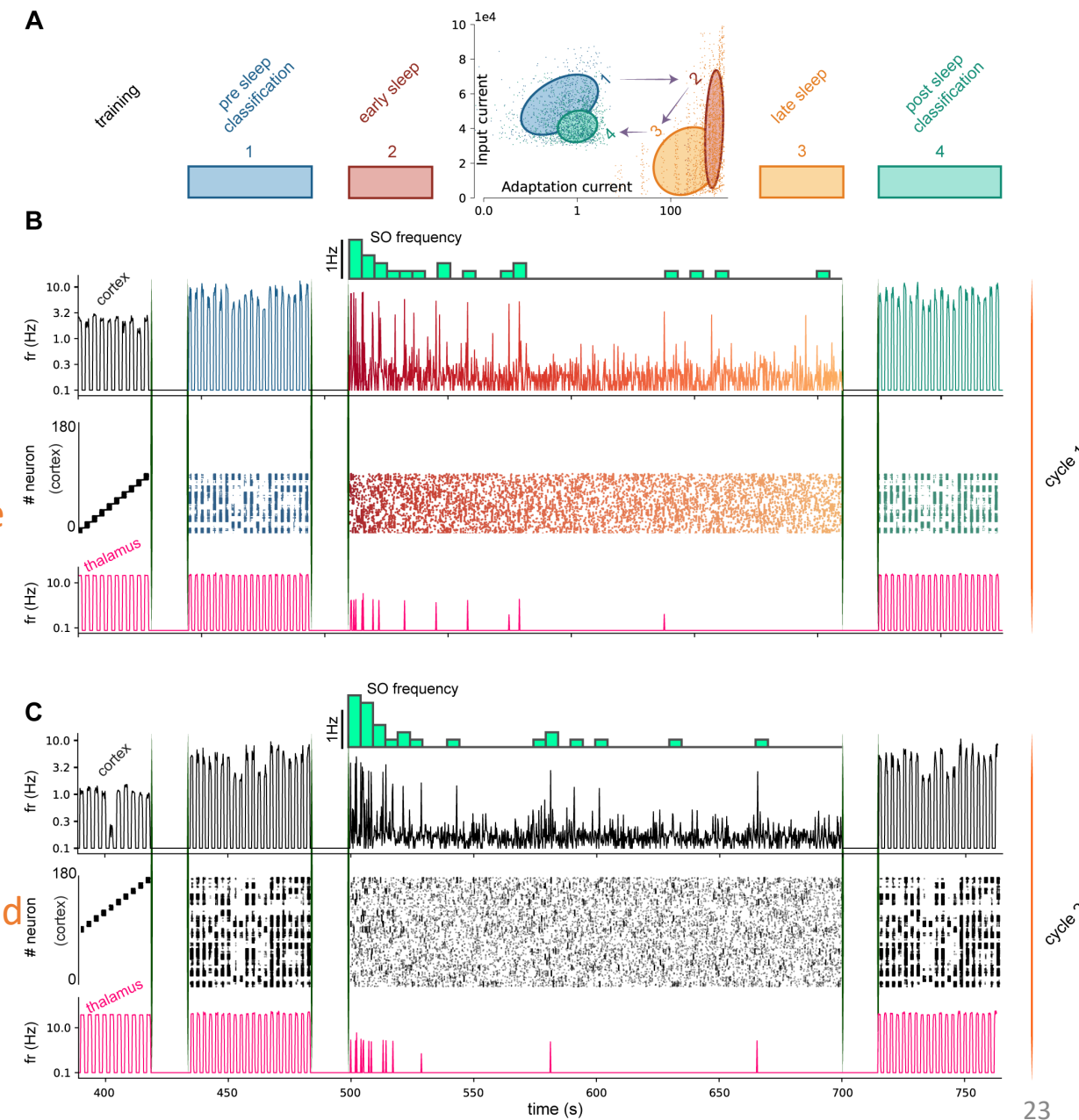
H) And I) Sleep benefits after training in presence of noise



Incremental awake deep-sleep cycle



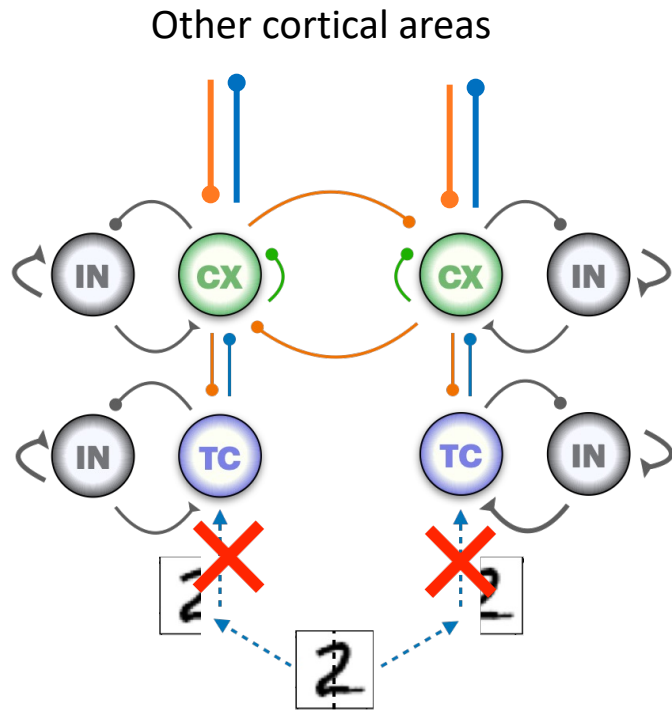
The cycle in the adaptation – current plane



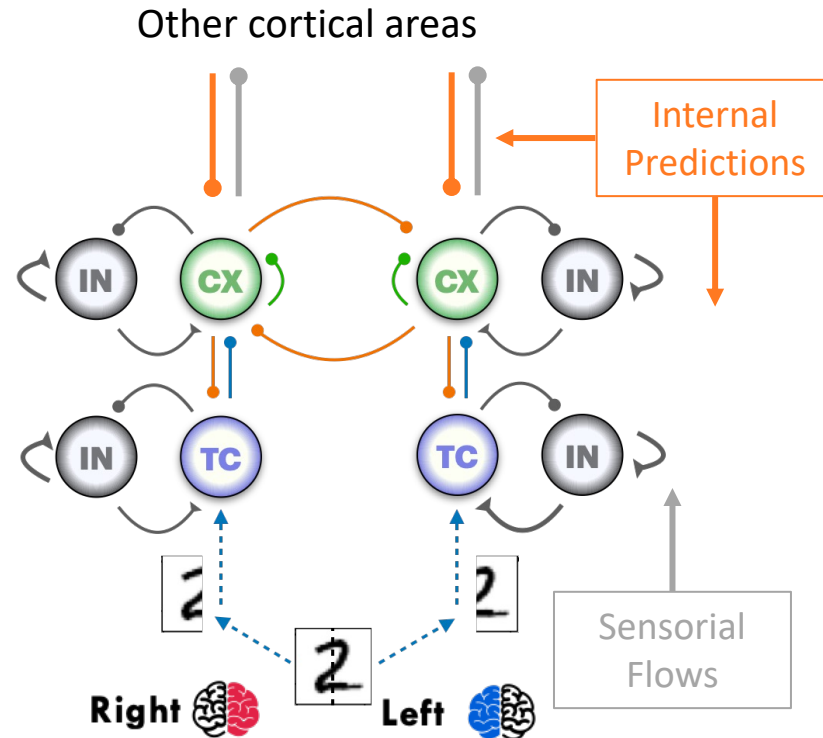
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Modular multi-areal playground to investigate brain-state specific cognitive / energetic effects during AWAKE, NREM, REM cycles in thalamo-cortical plastic spiking models: ThaCo

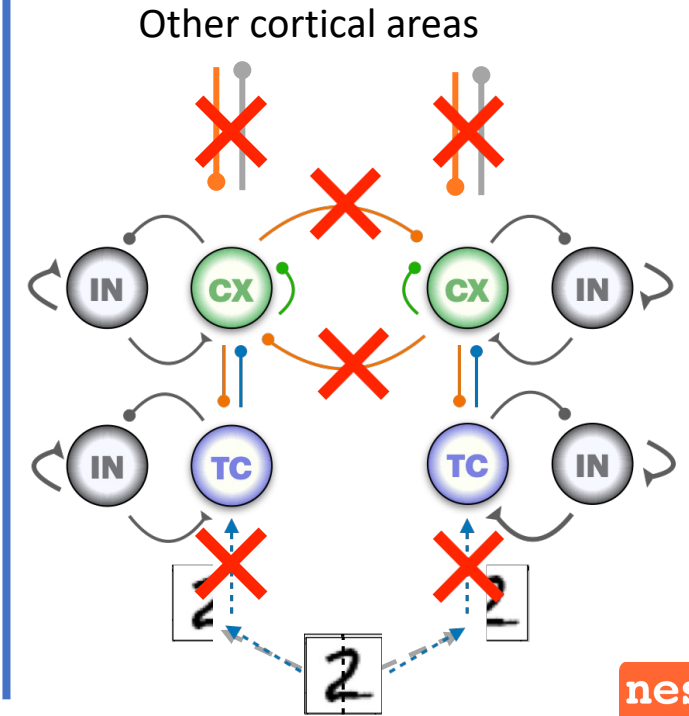
REM: endogenous activity of connected areas with STDP plasticity (block of external stimuli)



AWAKE: incremental STDP learning and classification of external stimuli



NREM: endogenous local activity with STDP plasticity (block of external stimuli and inter-area information flow)



Change of Neuromodulation (through proxy parameters in simulations)

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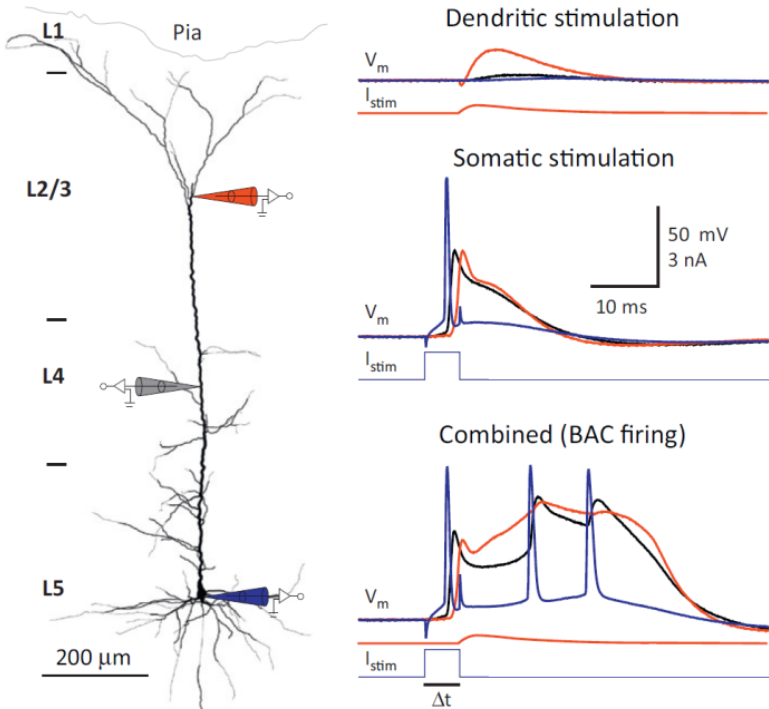
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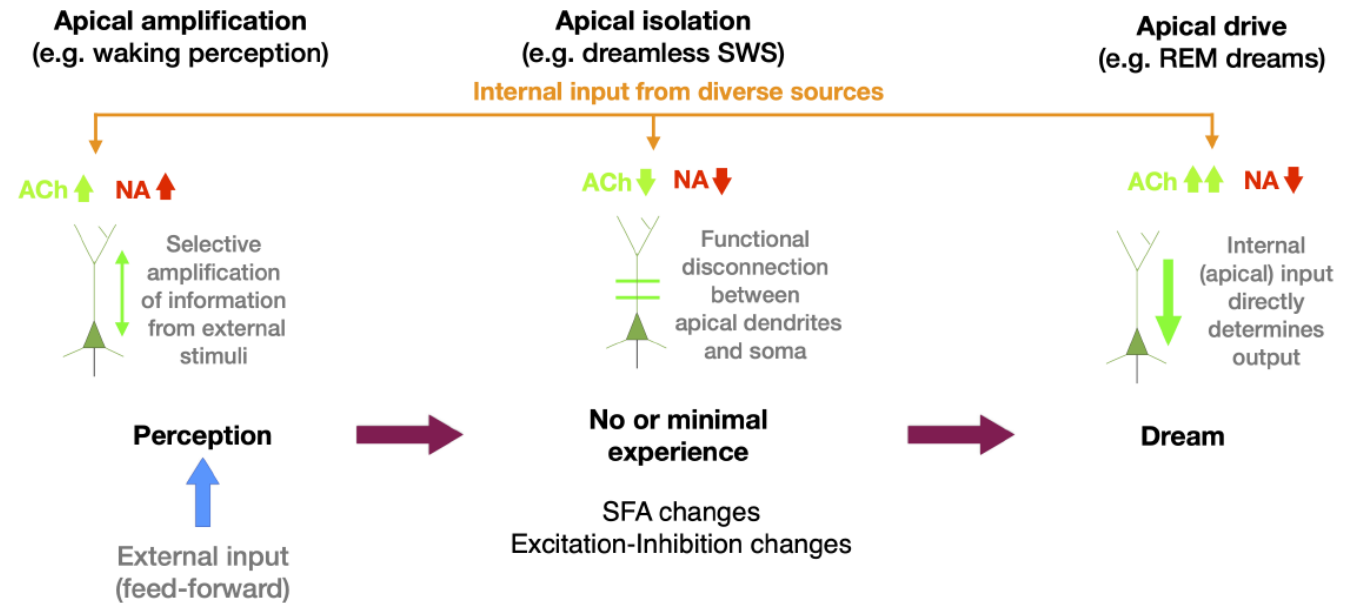
Desired features in a spiking neuron model supporting brain-state specific apical mechanisms

Coincidence of input to the distal compartment with a single back propagating spike at cell body triggers a burst of multiple action potentials



Larkum (2013) A cellular mechanism for cortical associations: an organizing principle for the cerebral cortex. *Trends in Neurosciences*

Brain-state specific changes in neural dynamics



Adapted from Aru et al., Neuroscience and Biobehavioral Reviews 2020

Aru, Siclari, Phillips, Storm (2020) Apical drive—A cellular mechanism of dreaming? *Neuroscience & Biobehavioral Reviews*

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Our methodology to create a two-compartment neuron (somatic + distal) neuron model with interesting computational properties

We selected a minimal set of biologically plausible apical compartment equations to support apical mechanisms.

We set the soma dynamics to be as similar as possible to AdEx when reached by somatic only input (to maintain compatibility with mainstream models)

This defines a kind of “genome” for the neuron.

Then, we defined a set of fitness functions to select through evolution-like search neurons with interesting computational properties.

Intracellular **[Ca²⁺]** dynamics

$$\frac{d[Ca]}{dt} = \phi_{Ca} I_{Ca} + \frac{[Ca] - [Ca]_0}{\tau_{Ca}}$$

High voltage activated **Ca²⁺ current**

$$I_{Ca} = g_{Ca} m h (E_{Ca} - V)$$
$$\frac{dm}{dt} = \frac{m_{\infty} - m}{\tau_m} \quad \frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{h_{\infty} - h}{\tau_h}$$

Proposed equations
for distal
compartment

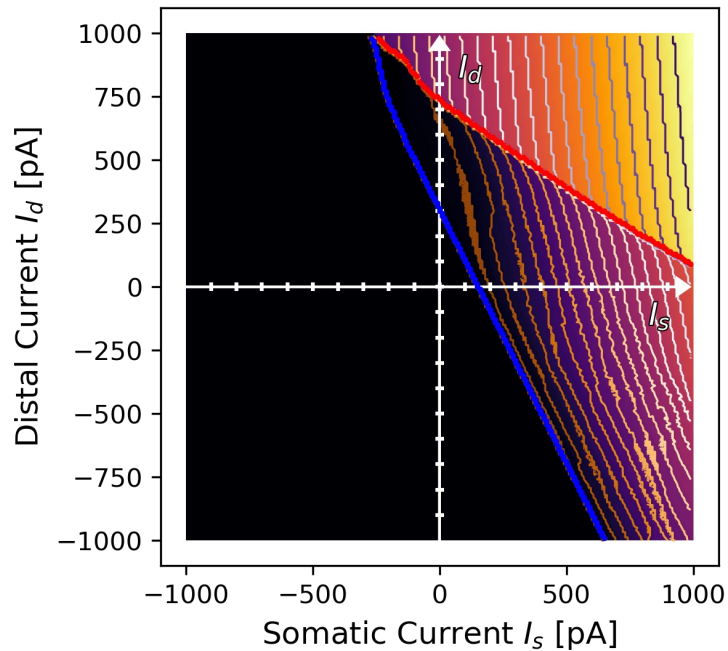
Ca²⁺ activated **K⁺ current**

$$I_{K_{Ca}} = g_{K_{Ca}} m (E_K - V)$$
$$\frac{dm}{dt} = \frac{m_{\infty} - m}{\tau_m}$$

Spike back propagations from soma to dendrites (**BAP**)

The two-compartment neuron expressing apical-amplification in awake-like regime

Firing rate (Hz), response to different combinations of currents reaching the somatic and distal compartment.



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Somatic AdEx-like compartment

$$C_m^s \frac{dV^s}{dt} = -g_L^s (V^s - E_L^s) + g_L^s \Delta_T \exp\left(\frac{V^s - V_{th}^s}{\Delta_T}\right) +$$

$$-g_e^s(t)(V^s - E_e^s) - g_i^s(t)(V^s - E_i^s) +$$

$$-w + I_e^s - g_C(V^s - V^d)$$

$$\tau_w \frac{dw}{dt} = a(V^s - E_L^s) + b \sum_k \delta(t - t_k) - w$$

$$C_m^d \frac{dV^d}{dt} = -g_L^d (V^d - E_L^d) - g_e^d(t)(V^d - E_e^d) - g_i^d(t)(V^d - E_i^d) +$$

$$+I_{Ca} + I_{K_{Ca}} + w_{BAP} \sum_k \delta(t - (t_k + d_{BAP})) +$$

$$+I_e^d + g_C(V^d - V^s)$$

Distal compartment supporting apical-mechanisms

Two-compartment neuron supporting brain state specific apical-mechanisms

Firing rate (Hz) in response to:

Horizontal axis: input to (peri-)somatic compartment (pA)

Vertical axis: Input to apical compartment (pA)

Note that “yellow” has an entirely different meaning in the three regimes



REM sleep

AWAKE

NREM sleep

Apical-drive

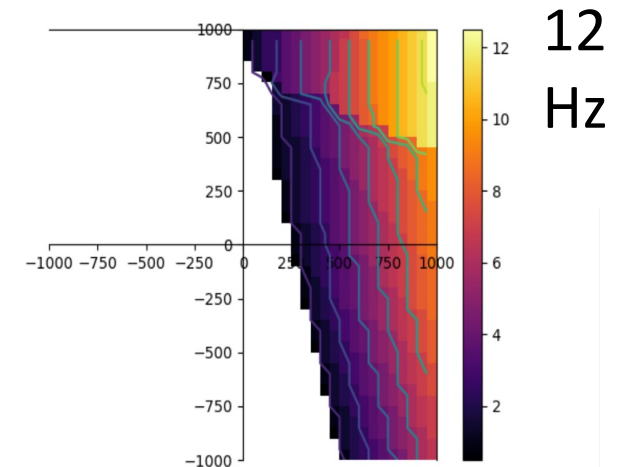
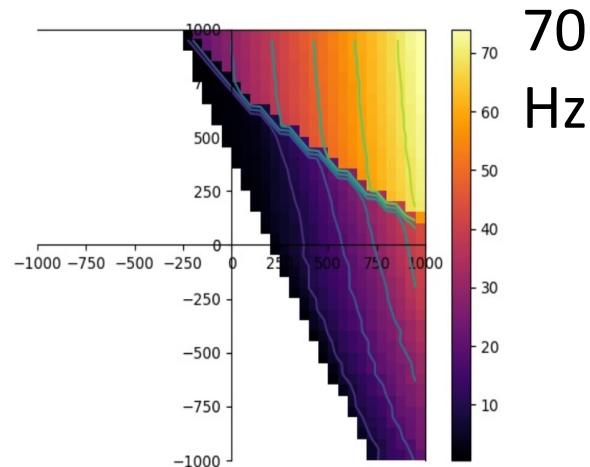
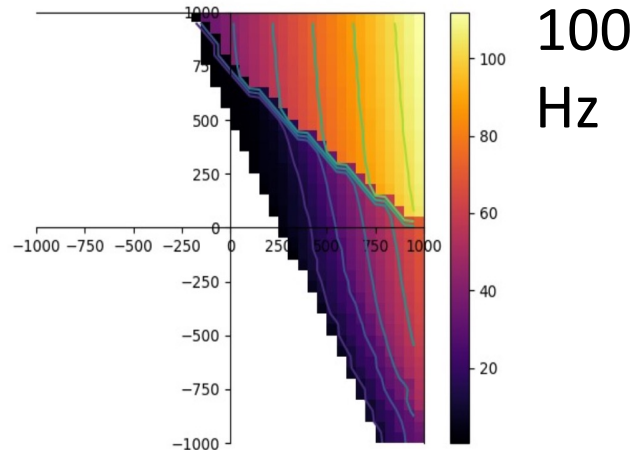
Apical-amplification

Apical-Isolation

Ach ↑ ↑ NA ↓

Ach ↑ NA ↓

Ach ↓ NA ↓



$b=20, g=1,$
 $EI_d=-53, EI_s=-68$

$b=40, g=1,$
 $EI_d=-53, EI_s=-63$

$b=200, g=0.3,$
 $EI_d=-58, EI_s=-68$

Simplified transfer function for application to bio-inspired artificial intelligence algorithm

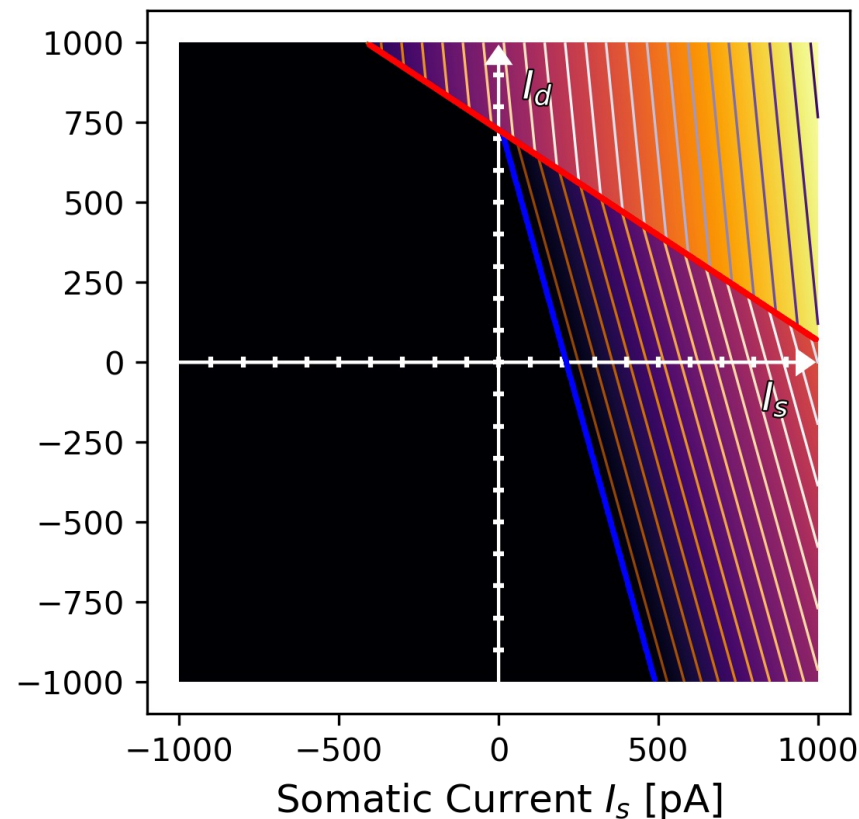
ThetaPlanes piece-wise linear approximation

$$\nu_F(I_s, I_d; \nu) = \Theta_\rho(1 - \Theta_H) \cdot \nu_- + \Theta_H \cdot \nu_+$$

Identified by
Montecarlo
Algorithm.

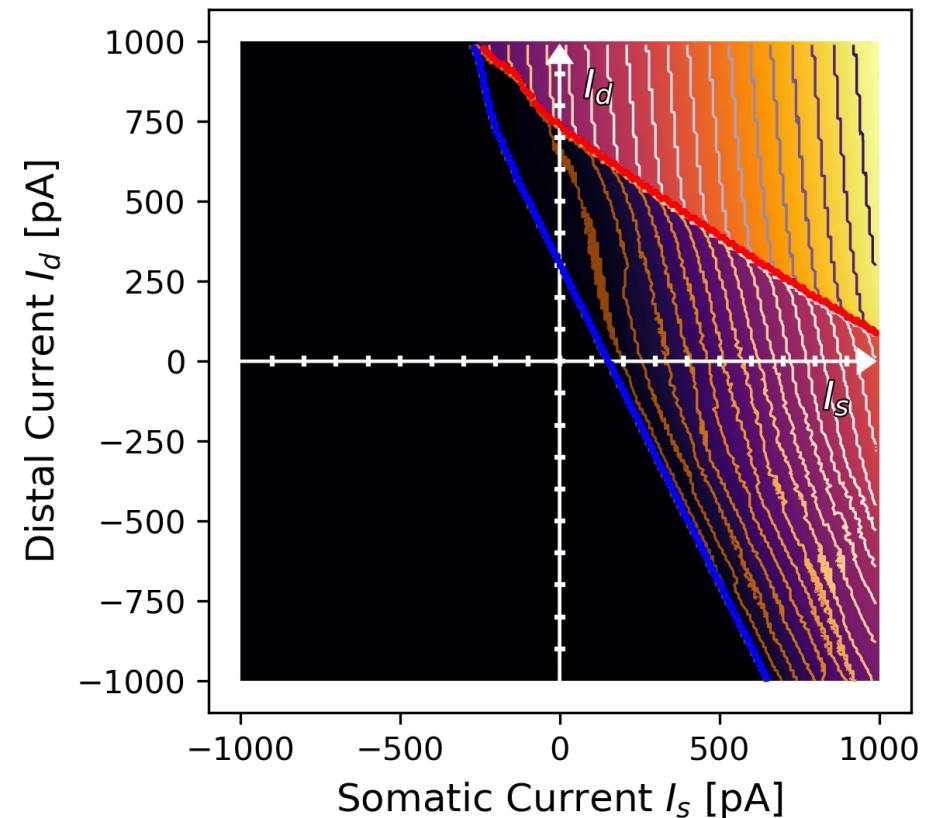
Fresh result.
Searching for
partnership!

see arXiv:
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Transfer function of spiking neuron model with detailed integration of differential equations

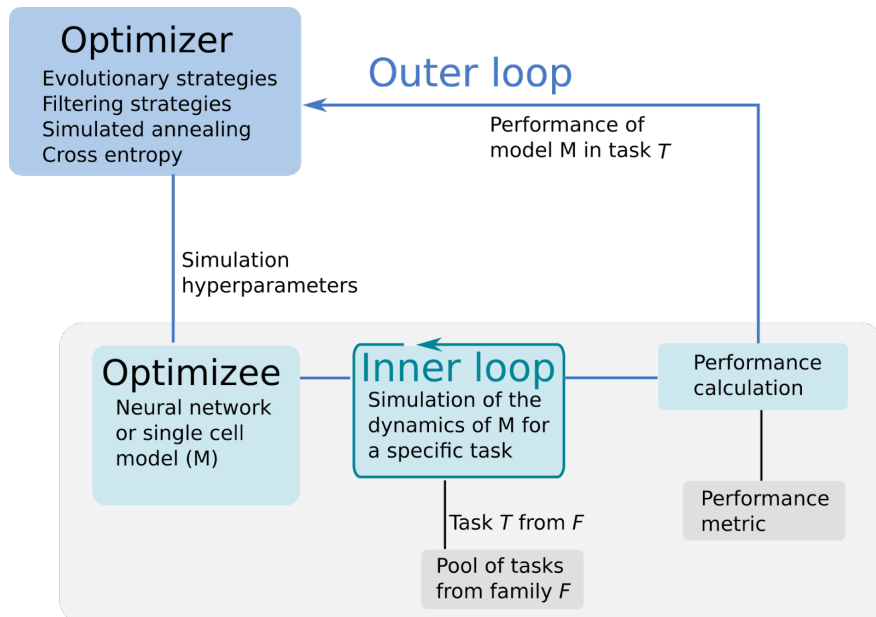
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L2L for parameters optimization

About 30 parameters to be optimized in the two-compartment neuron:

- **Passive** neuron parameters (somatic & distal compartments)
- Parameters for **ionic currents**
- Parameters for **[Ca²⁺] dynamic**



L2L (Learning-to-Learn) optimization framework

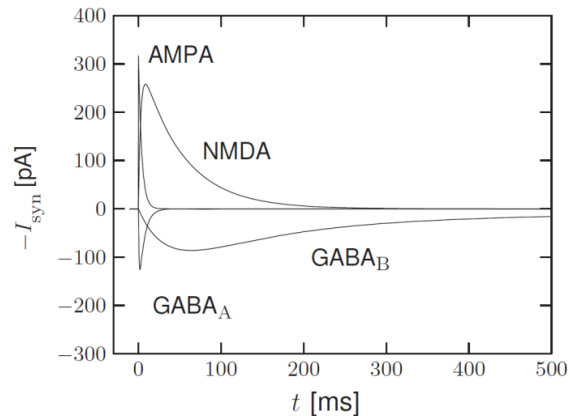
- **Large-scale** parameter space explorations
- Different optimization algorithms available:
 - Evolutionary, gradient descend./ascend., simulated annealing, ...
- Able to efficiently exploit **HPC** infrastructures
- Based on optimization of user-defined fitness functions selected to optimize **cognitive performances** and to support different **brain states**

*Yegenoglu et al. (2022) Exploring hyper-parameter spaces of neuroscience models on high performance computers with Learning to Learn. **Front. Comp. Neu.***

Other info about the two-compartment model

Support for calcium spike in distal compartment

- Required to provide integration of apical and basal information
- Initiation of calcium spike produces a burst in action potential

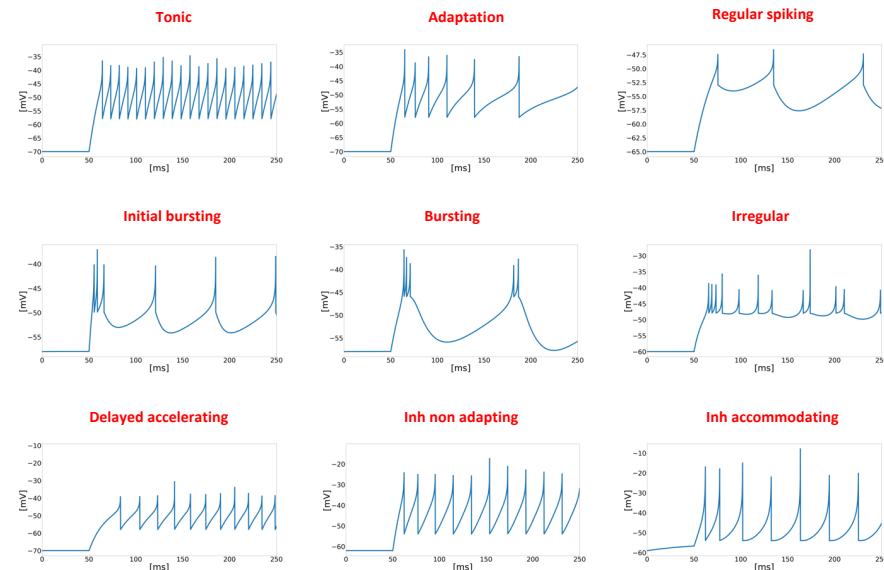


Receptors:

- AMPA
- NMDA
- GABA_A
- GABA_B

Soma with Adex dynamics

- When distal dendrites are switched-off, soma dynamics match Adex single-compartment behaviour
- Smooth insertion in already available simulations using Adex model



...and finally, ...

- Part I. Models of incremental learning and sleep cycles based on standard single-compartment spiking neuron (AdEx)
- Part II. Introducing two-compartment model with cellular support for apical-ampification, apical-isolation and apical-drive mechanisms, and simplified transfer function for bio-inspired artificial intelligence applications to come (arXiv: appeared today, Nov 13th, 2023)
- **Part III.**
 - **Cobrawap (Collaborative Brain Wave Analysis Pipeline) advertisement**
 - **Blue-printing a whole brain cognitive simulation exploiting brain-states benefits**

Not covered today (advertisement, hoping for a dedicated presentation slot)

- Analysis workflows to:
 - Compare experimental data with simulation outputs
 - Compare experimental data acquired with different methodologies and at different spatio-temporal acquisition resolutions
 - Compare models with models
 - Extract observables from experimental data and simulation outputs

- Simulation models inferred from data



Collaborative Brain Waves Analysis Pipeline
<https://cobrawap.readthedocs.io/>

→ Cobrawap (Collaborative Brain Waves Analysis Pipeline)

SCIENTIFIC APPLICATION 1) compare experimental recordings and simulations from different labs and techniques



Cobrawap

Collaborative Brain Wave Analysis Pipeline

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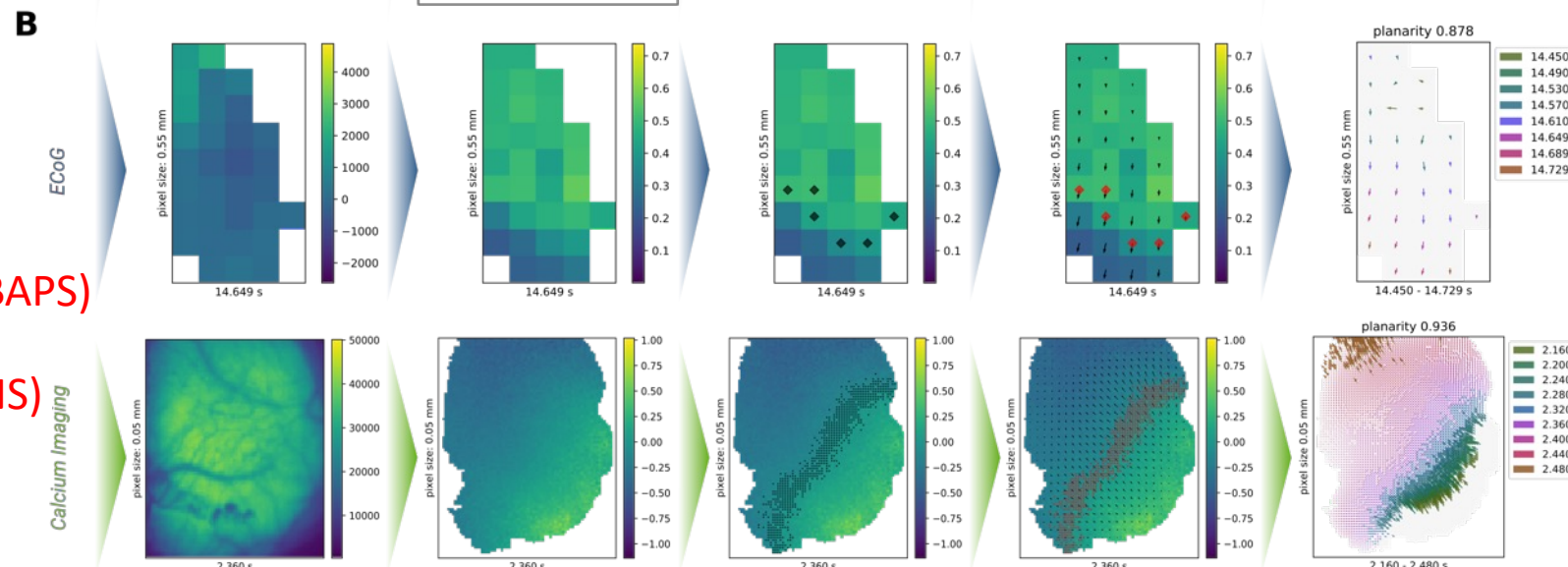
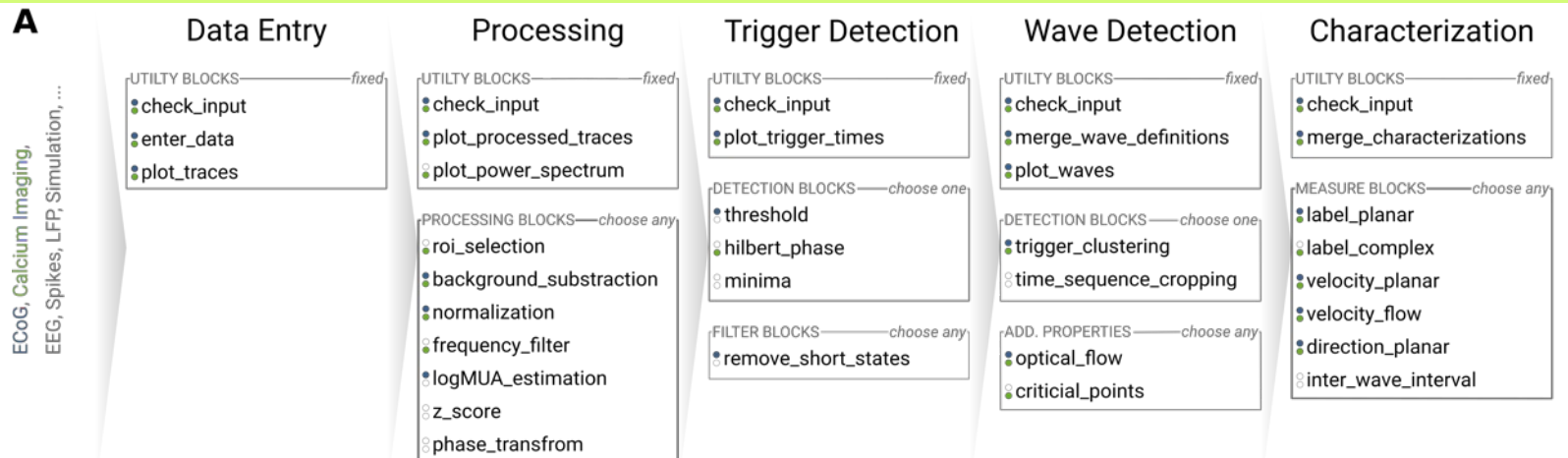


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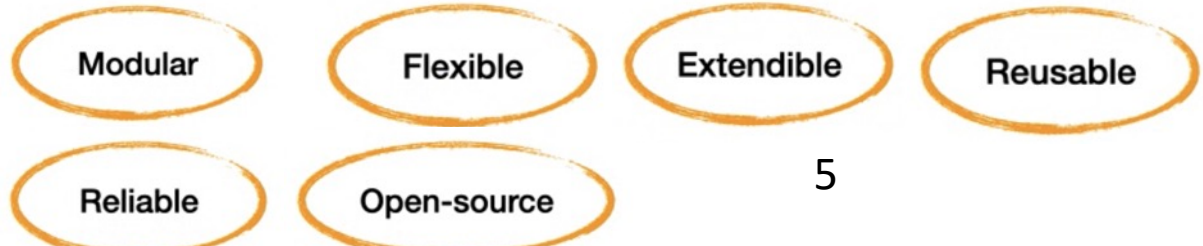
Collaboration: Italy, Germany, Greece, Spain, ...

<https://github.com/INM-6/cobrawap>

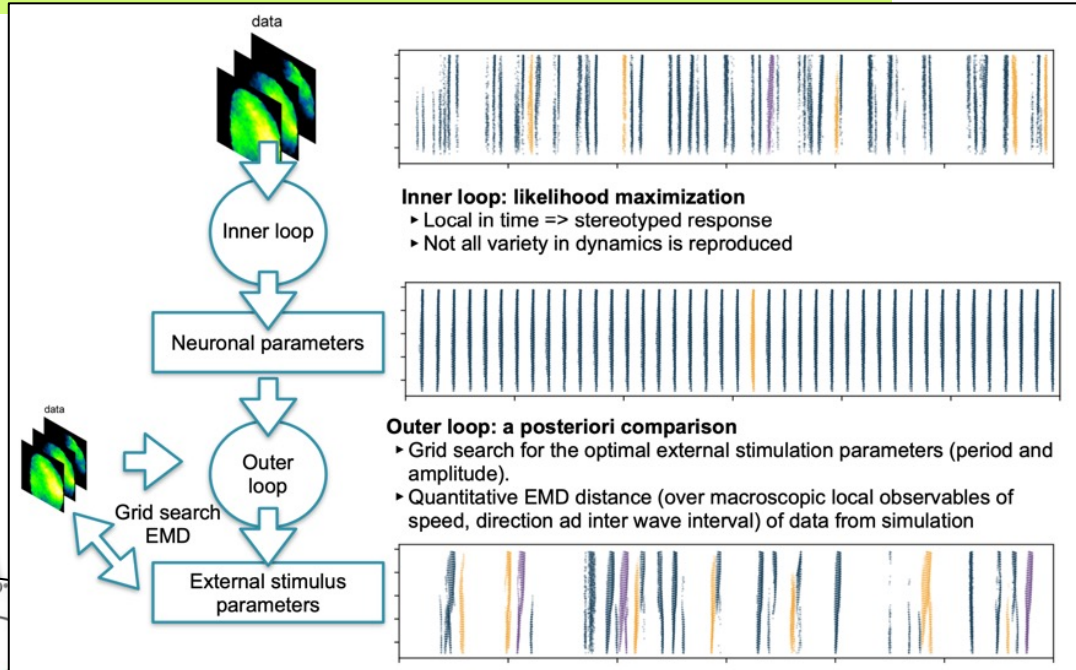
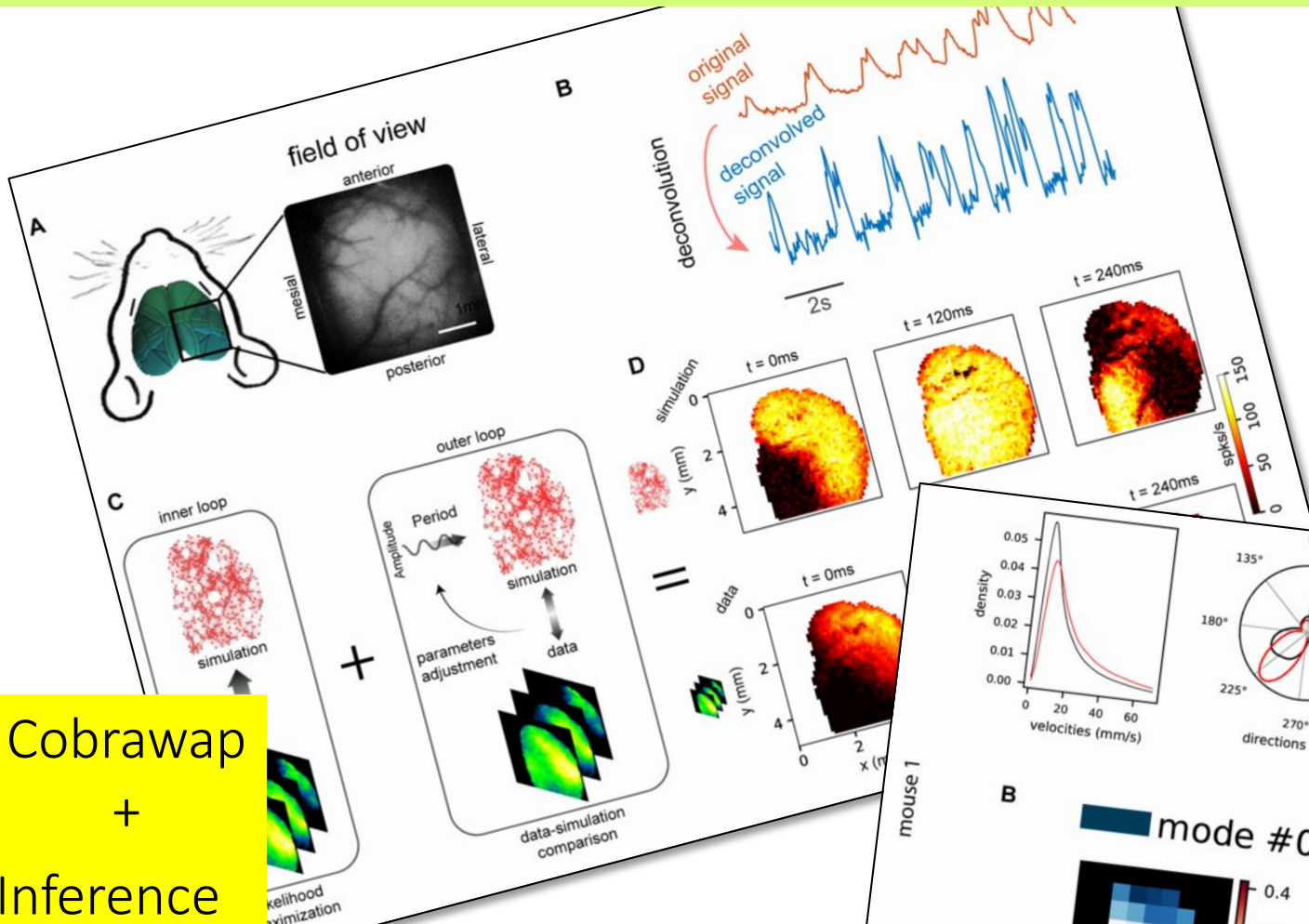


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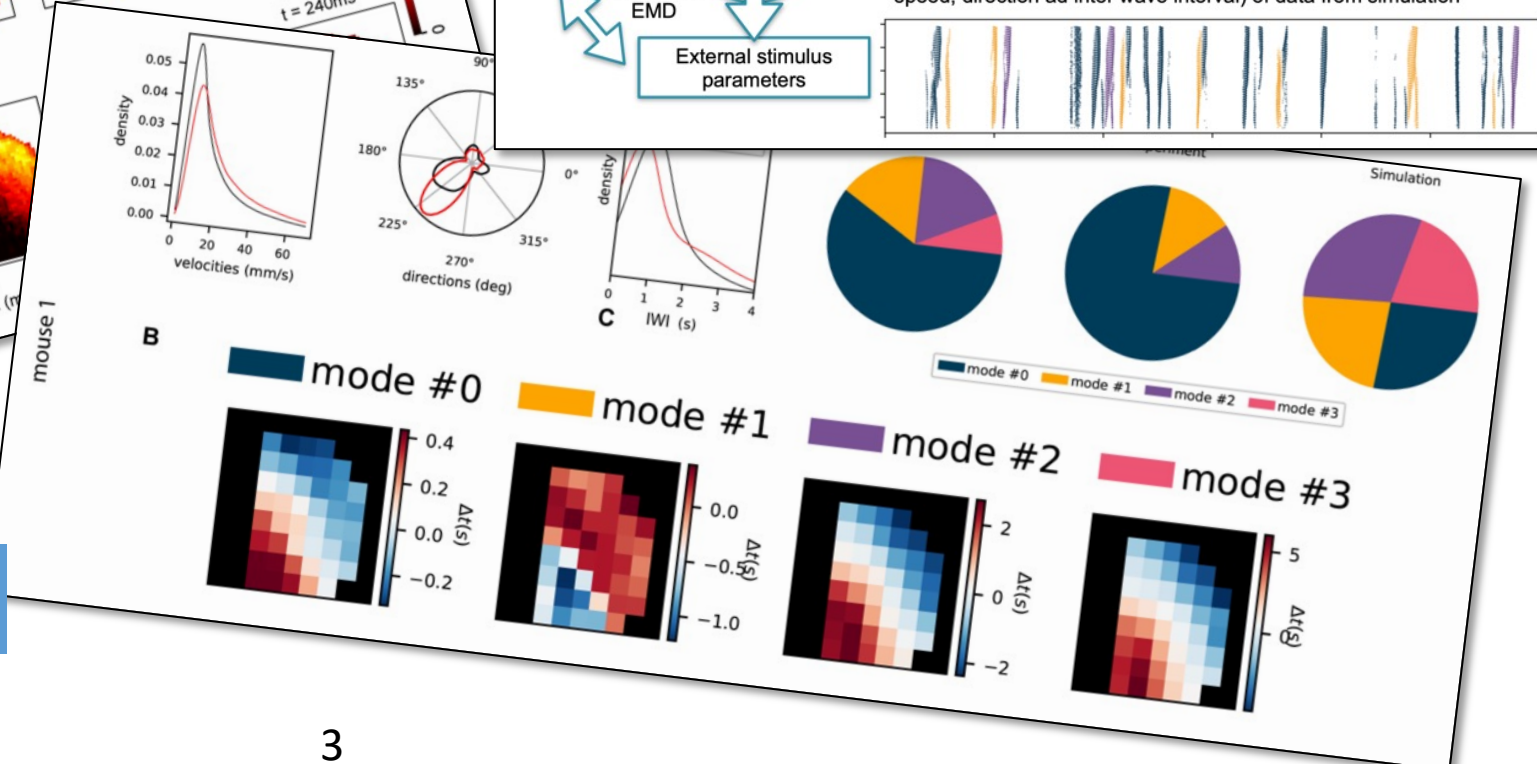
SCIENTIFIC APPLICATION 2): compare experimental recordings and simulations, and optimize parameter setting in data-driven models



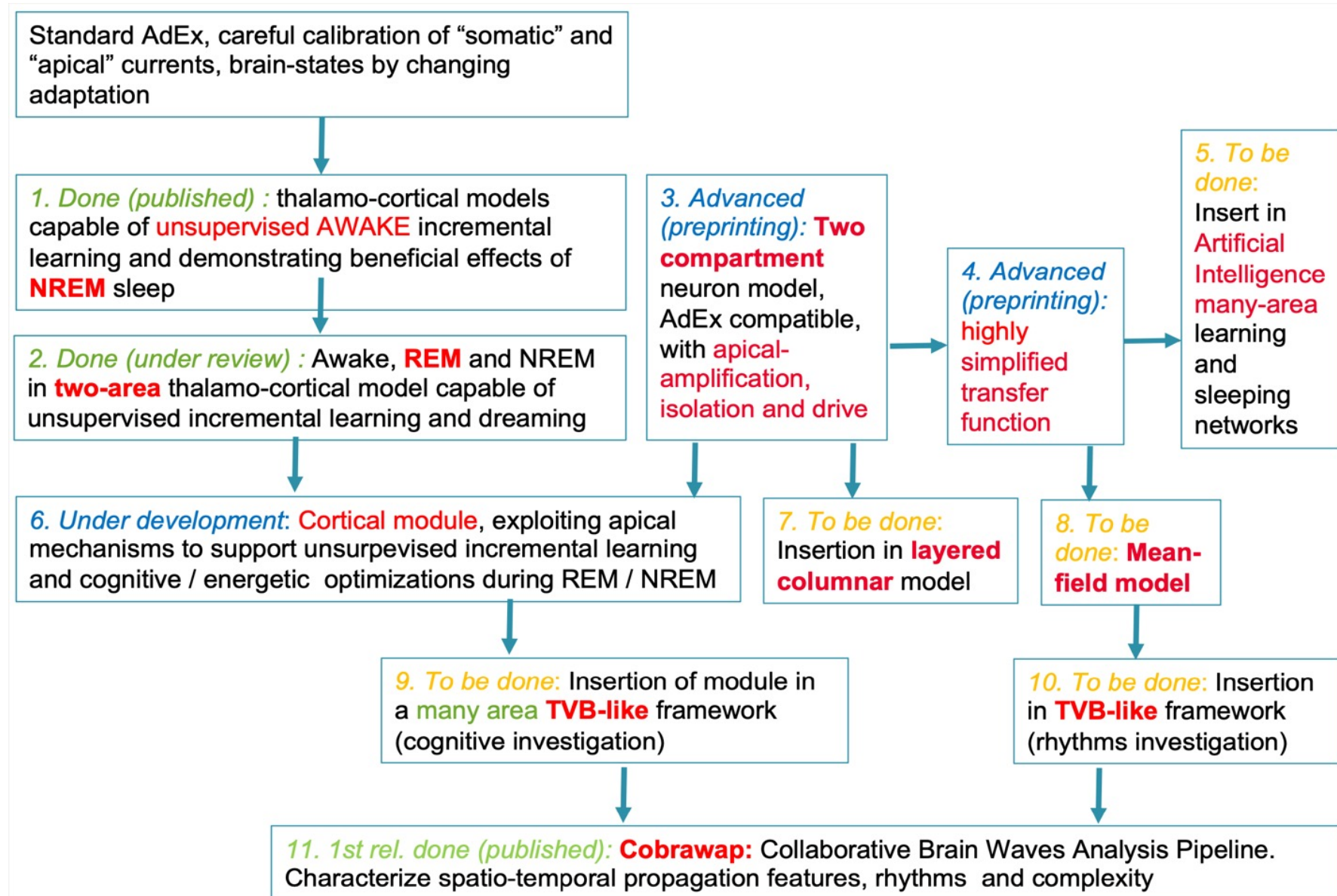
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Inference

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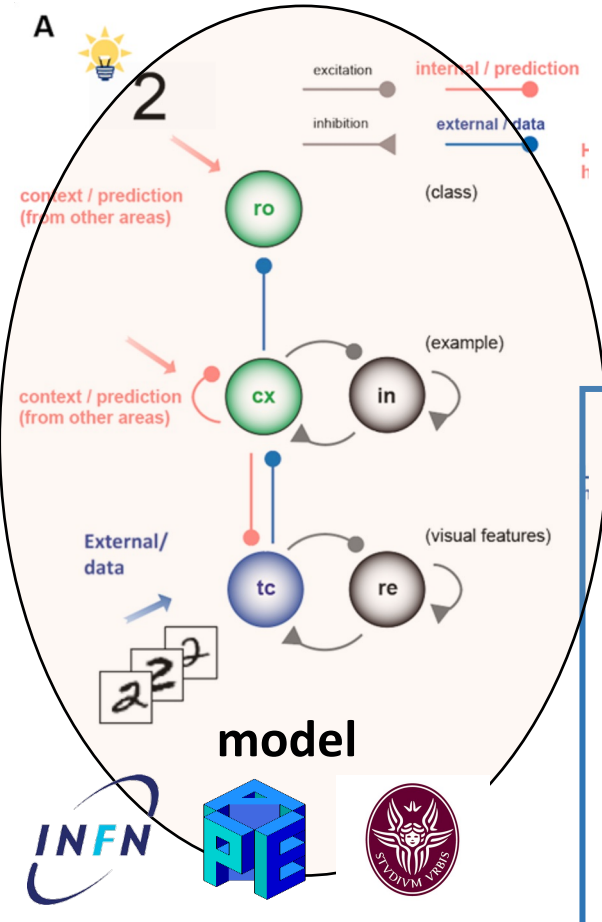


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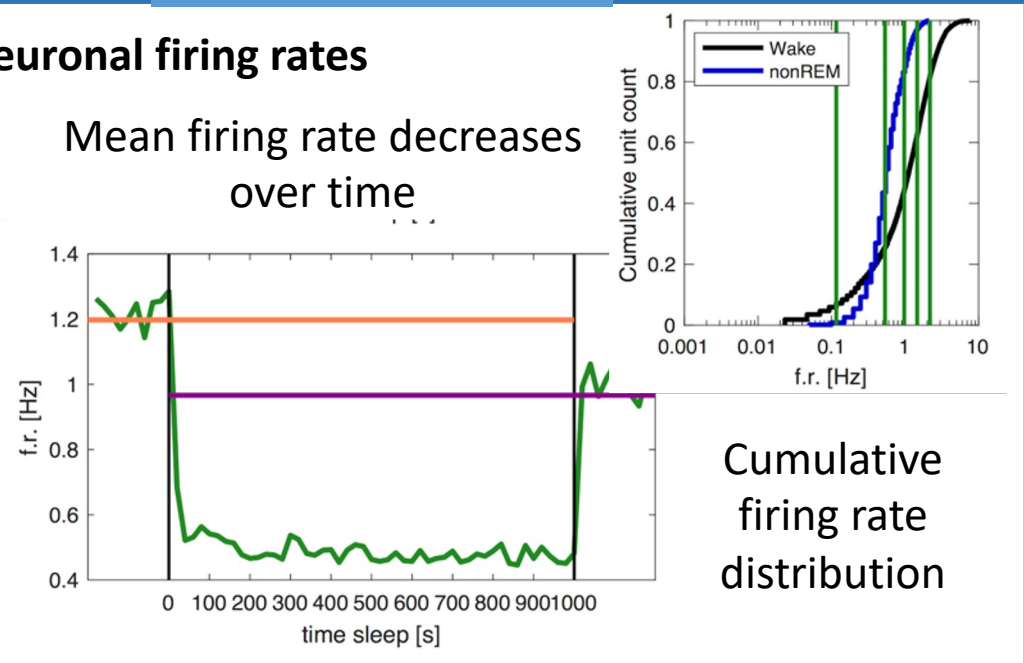
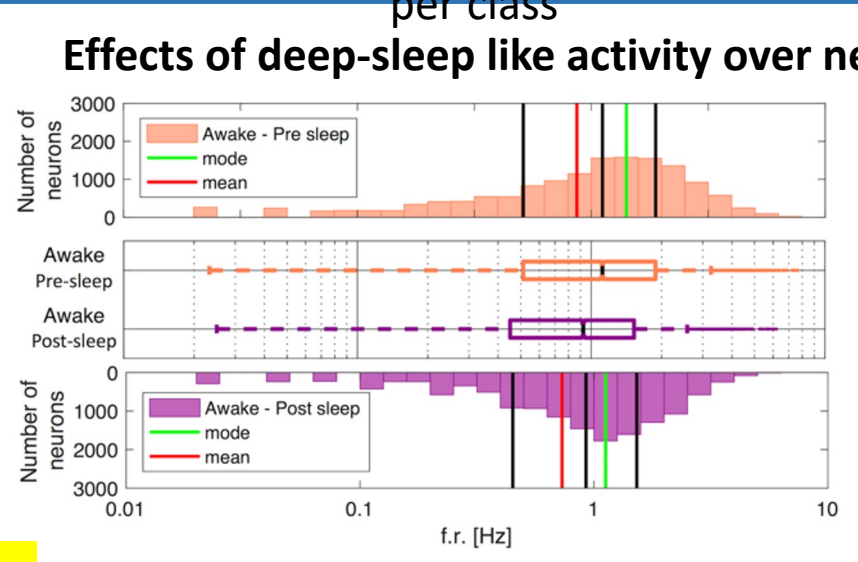
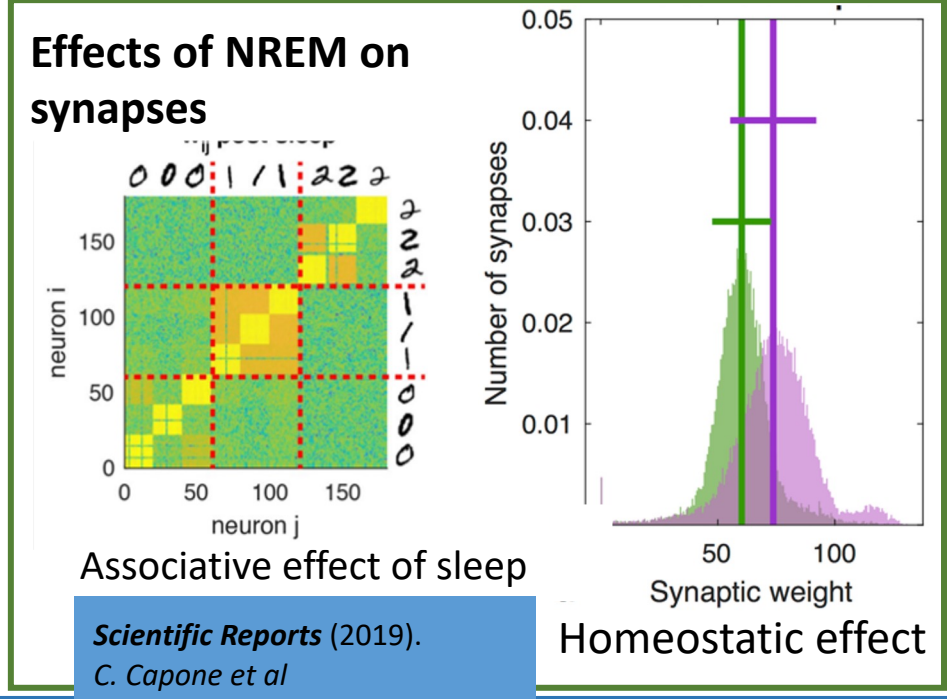
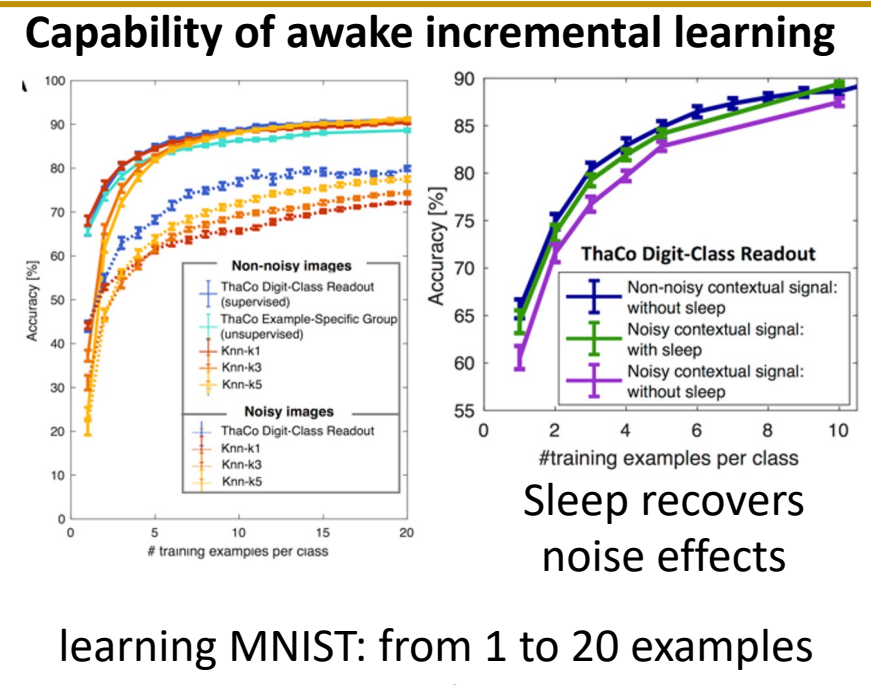


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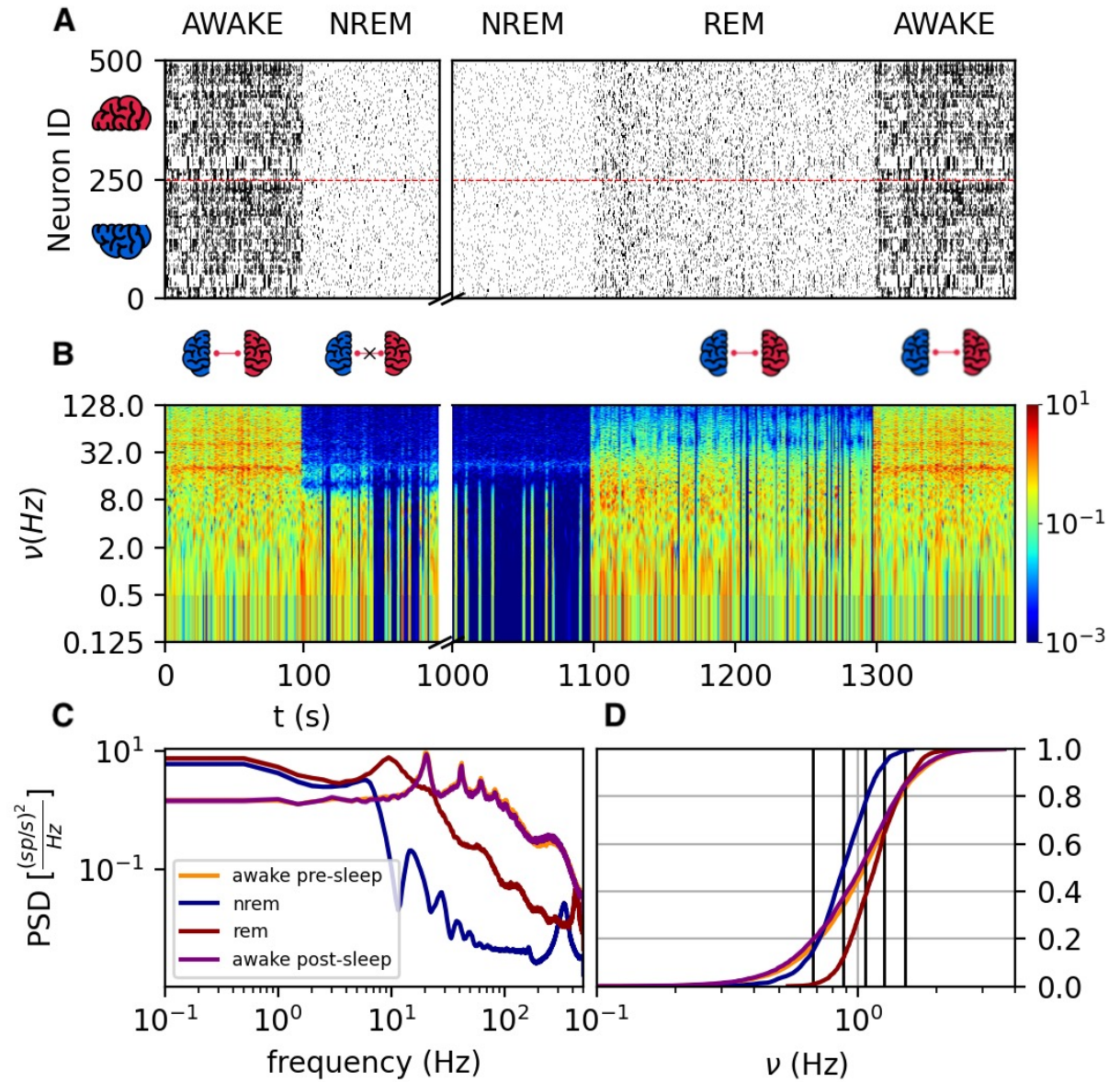


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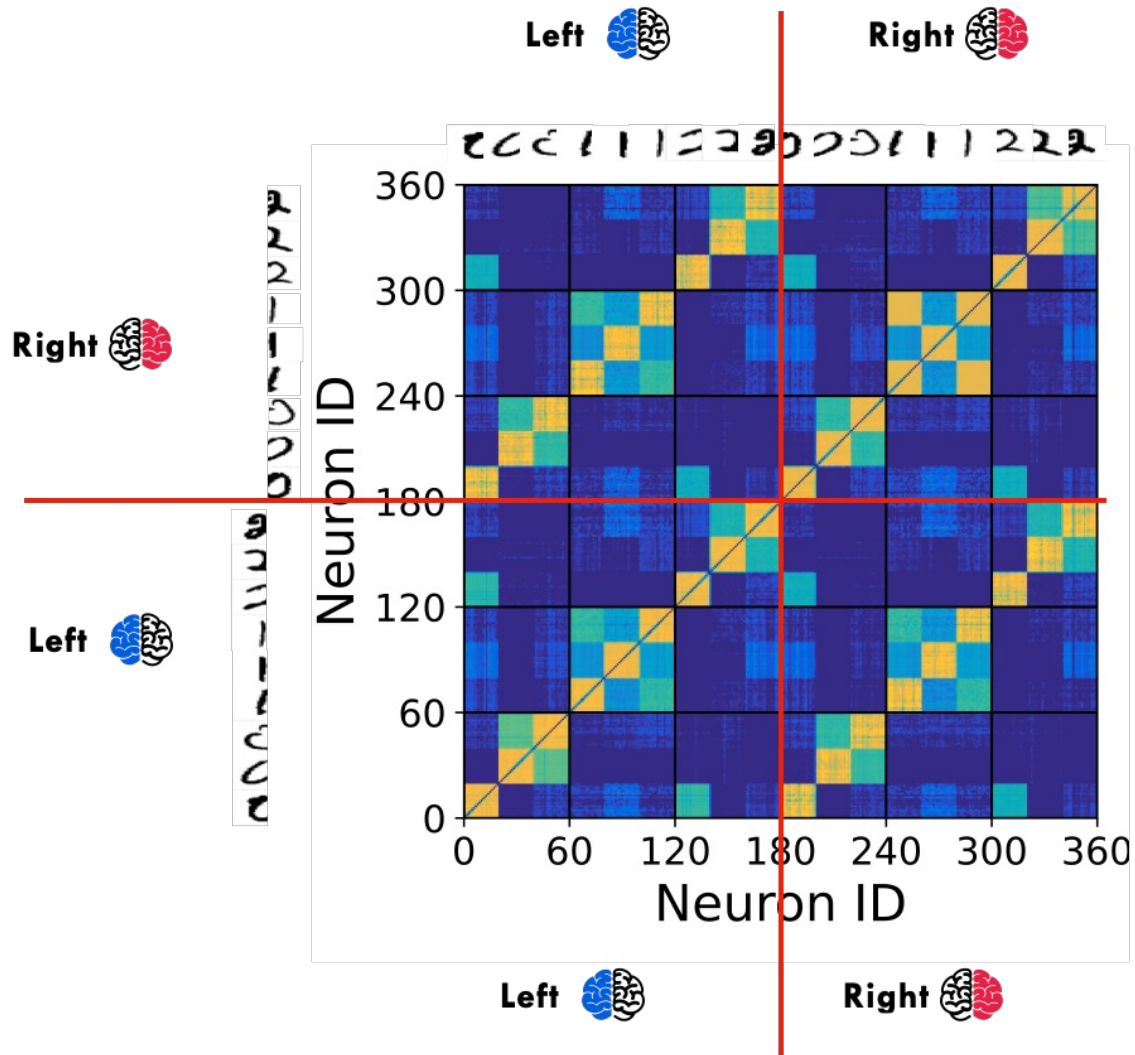
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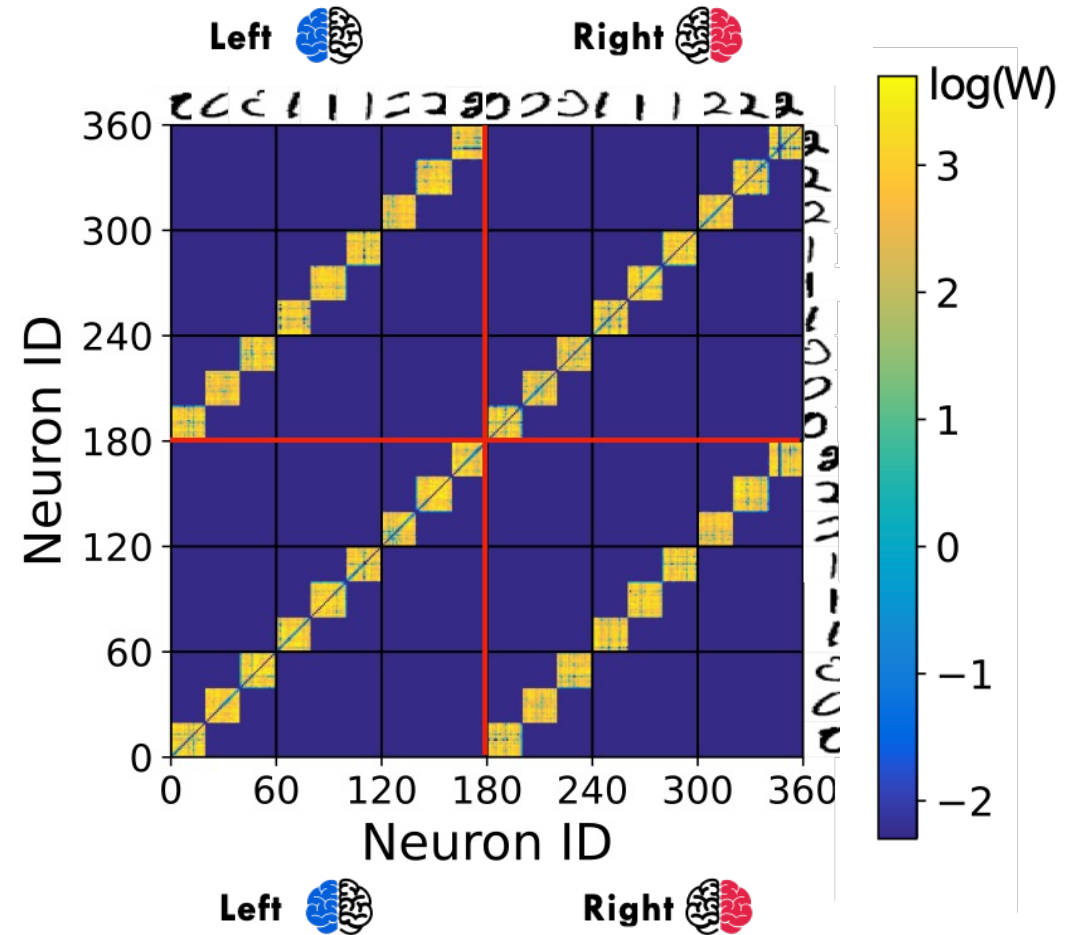
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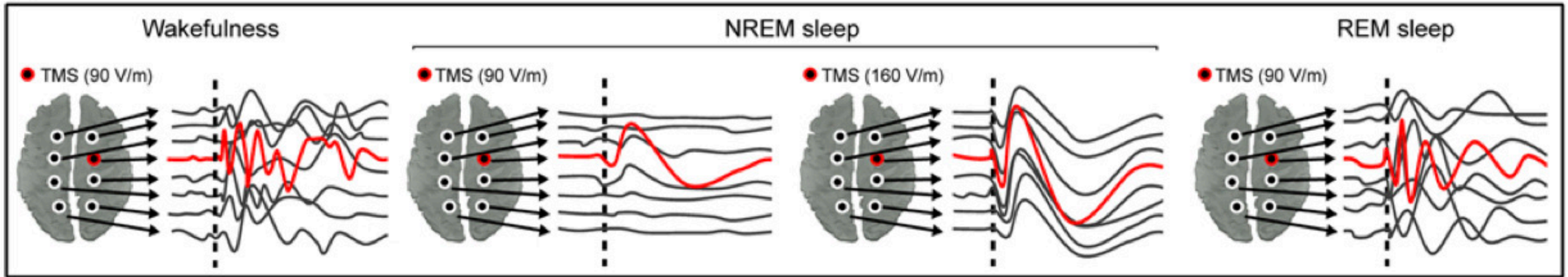


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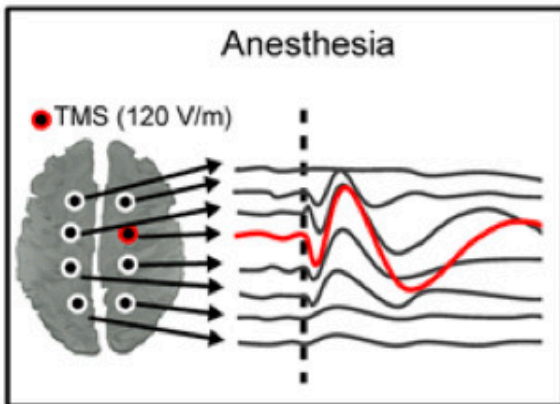


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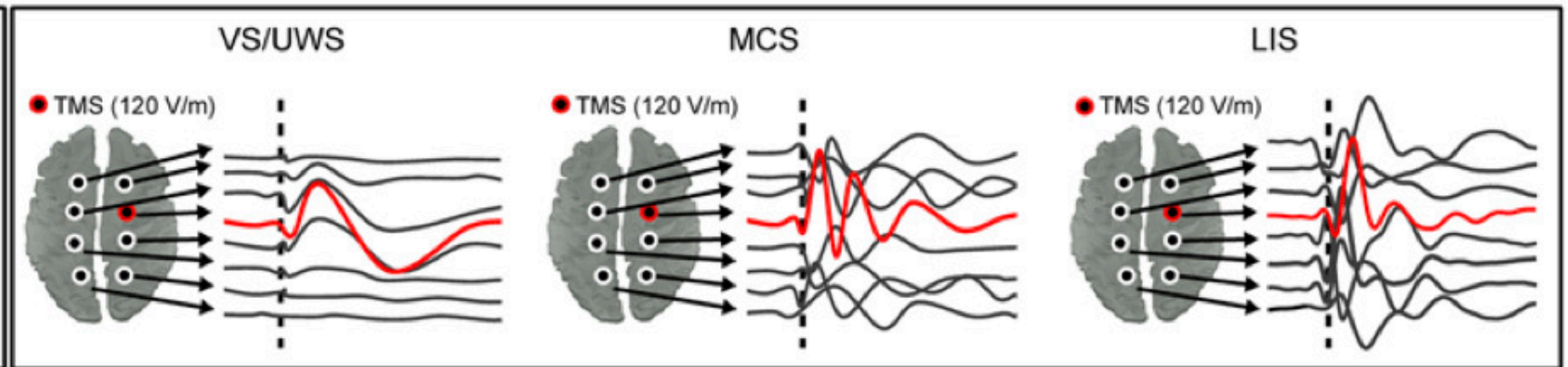
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