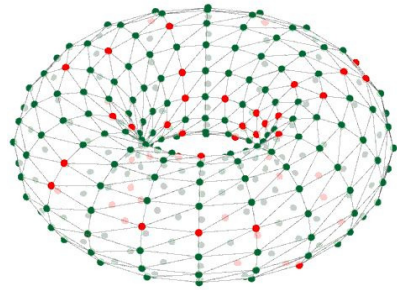


## Running PyNN Simulations on SpiNNaker



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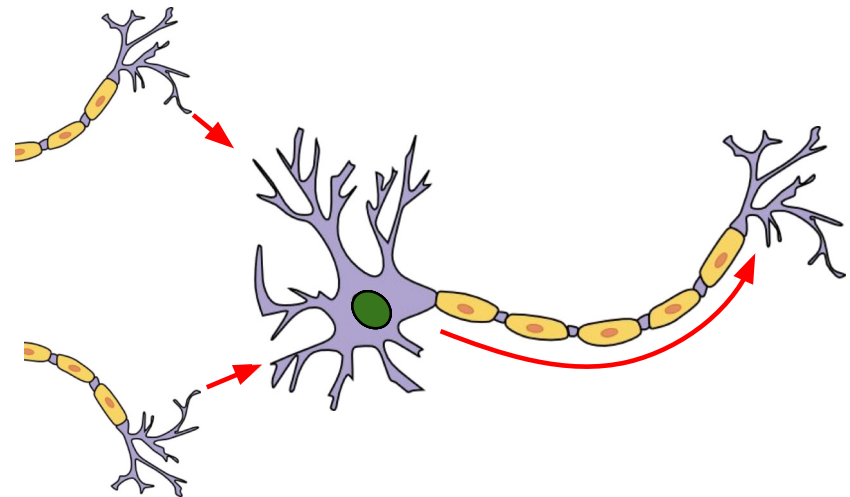
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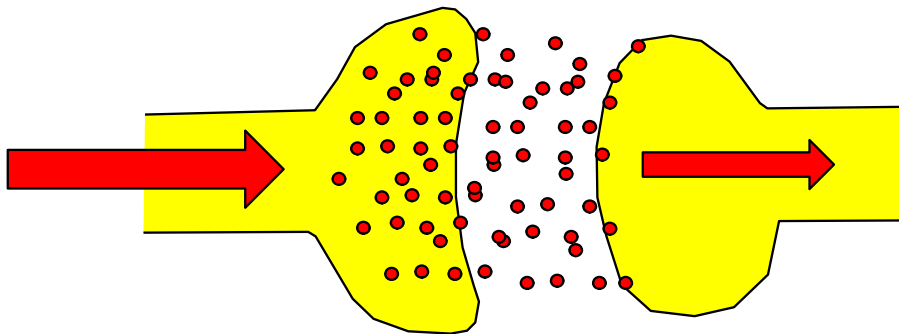


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## Spiking Neural Networks

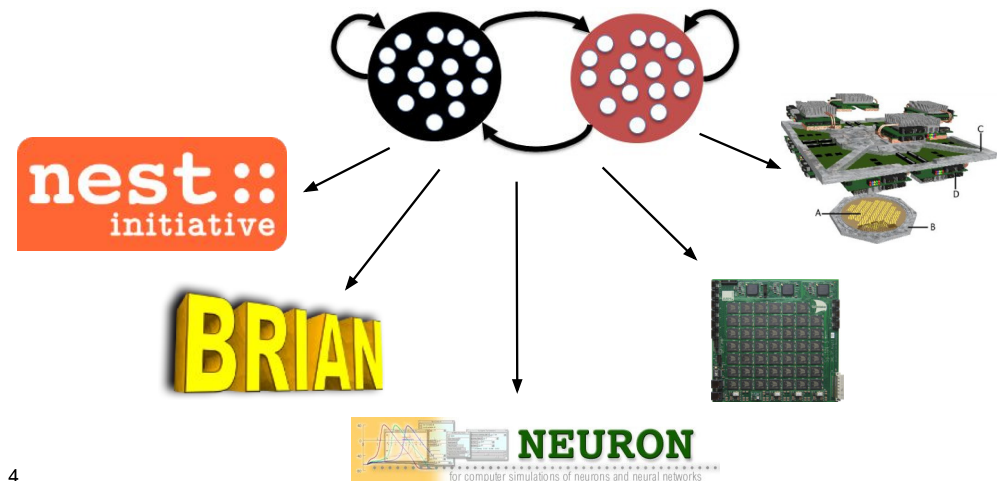


## Spiking Neural Networks



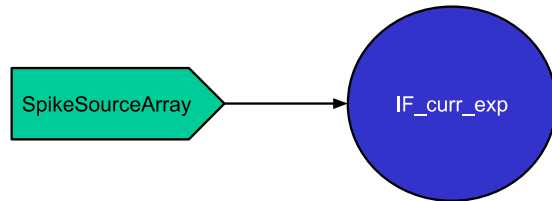
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## What is PyNN?



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## A Simple PyNN Network



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## A Simple PyNN Network

```
import pyNN.spinnaker as p
p.setup(timestep=1.0)
```

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## A Simple PyNN Network

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```

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## A Simple PyNN Network

```
import pyNN.spinnaker as p
p.setup(timestep=1.0)
pop_1 = p.Population(1, p.IF_curr_exp, {}, label="pop_1")
```



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## A Simple PyNN Network

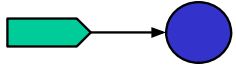
```
import pyNN.spiNNaker as p
p.setup(timestep=1.0)
pop_1 = p.Population(1, p.IF_curr_exp, {}, label="pop_1")
input = p.Population(1, p.SpikeSourceArray,
                    {'spike_times': [0]}, label="input")
```



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## A Simple PyNN Network

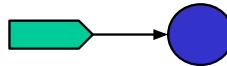
```
import pyNN.spiNNaker as p
p.setup(timestep=1.0)
pop_1 = p.Population(1, p.IF_curr_exp, {}, label="pop_1")
input = p.Population(1, p.SpikeSourceArray,
                    {'spike_times': [0]}, label="input")
input_proj = p.Projection(input, pop_1, p.OneToOneConnector(
    weights=5.0, delays=1))
```



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## A Simple PyNN Network

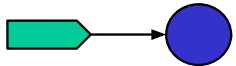
```
import pyNN.spiNNaker as p
p.setup(timestep=1.0)
pop_1 = p.Population(1, p.IF_curr_exp, {}, label="pop_1")
input = p.Population(1, p.SpikeSourceArray,
                    {'spike_times': [0]}, label="input")
input_proj = p.Projection(input, pop_1, p.OneToOneConnector(
    weights=5.0, delays=1))
pop_1.record()
pop_1.record_v()
```



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## A Simple PyNN Network

```
import pyNN.spiNNaker as p
p.setup(timestep=1.0)
pop_1 = p.Population(1, p.IF_curr_exp, {}, label="pop_1")
input = p.Population(1, p.SpikeSourceArray,
                    {'spike_times': [0]}, label="input")
input_proj = p.Projection(input, pop_1, p.OneToOneConnector(
    weights=5.0, delays=1))
pop_1.record()
pop_1.record_v()
p.run(10)
```



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## Edit ~/.spynnaker.cfg

```
[Machine]
#-----
# Information about the target SpiNNaker board or machine:
# machineName:      The name or IP address of the target board
# version:          Version of the Spinnaker Hardware Board (1-5)
# machineTimeStep:  Internal time step in simulations in usecs.
# timeScaleFactor:  Change this to slow down the simulation time
#                   relative to real time.
#-----
machineName      = None
version          = None
#machineTimeStep = 1000
#timeScaleFactor = 1
```

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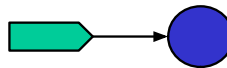
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# machineName:      The name or IP address of the target board
# version:          Version of the Spinnaker Hardware Board (1-5)
# machineTimeStep:  Internal time step in simulations in usecs.
# timeScaleFactor:  Change this to slow down the simulation time
#                   relative to real time.
#-----
machineName      = 192.168.240.253
version          = 3
#machineTimeStep = 1000
#timeScaleFactor = 1
```

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## A Simple PyNN Network

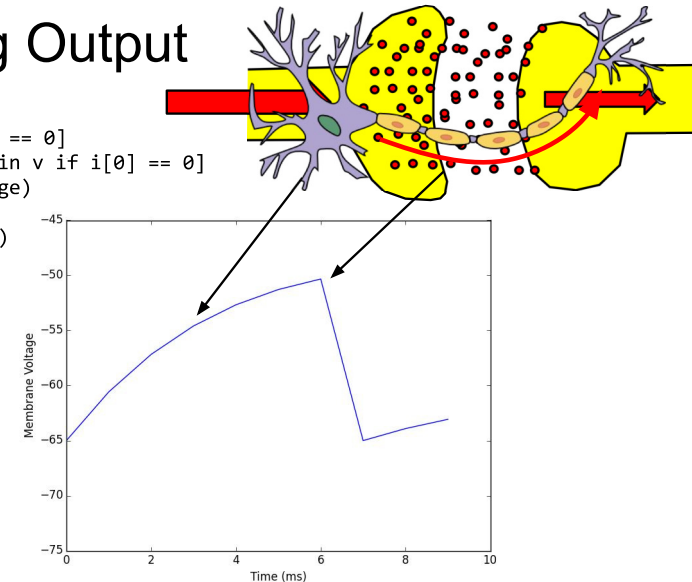
```
import pyNN.spiNNaker as p
p.setup(timestep=1.0)
pop_1 = p.Population(1, p.IF_curr_exp, {}, label="pop_1")
input = p.Population(1, p.SpikeSourceArray,
                    {'spike_times': [0]}, label="input")
input_proj = p.Projection(input, pop_1, p.OneToOneConnector(
    weights=5.0, delays=1))
pop_1.record()
pop_1.record_v()
p.run(10)
spikes = pop_1.getSpikes()
v = pop_1.get_v()
```



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## Plotting Output

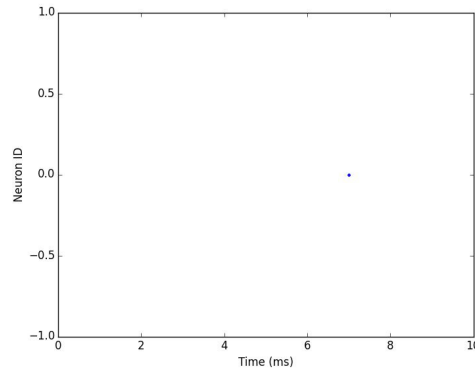
```
import pylab
time = [i[1] for i in v if i[0] == 0]
membrane_voltage = [i[2] for i in v if i[0] == 0]
pylab.plot(time, membrane_voltage)
pylab.xlabel("Time (ms)")
pylab.ylabel("Membrane Voltage")
pylab.axis([0, 10, -75, -45])
pylab.show()
```



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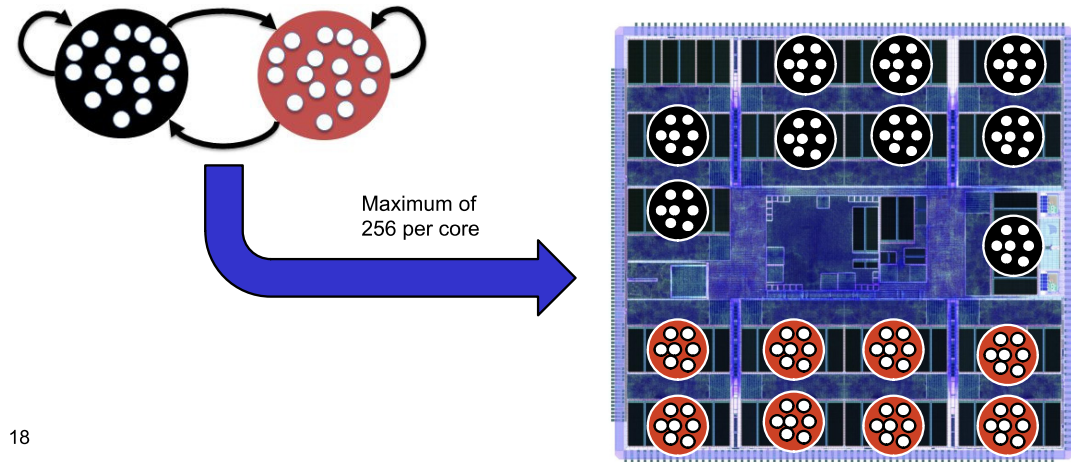
## Plotting Output

```
import pylab
spike_time = [i[1] for i in spikes]
spike_id = [i[0] for i in spikes]
pylab.plot(spike_time, spike_id, ".")
pylab.xlabel("Time (ms)")
pylab.ylabel("Neuron ID")
pylab.axis([0, 10, -1, 1])
pylab.show()
```



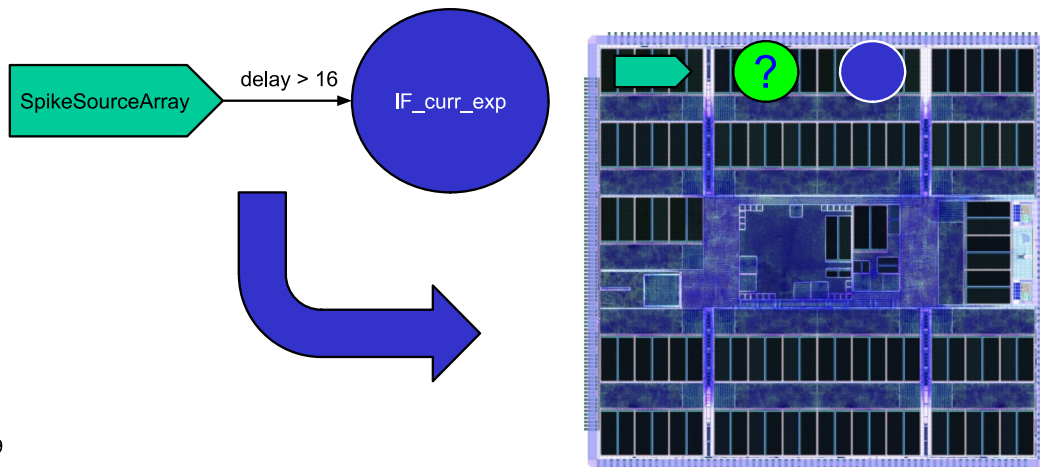
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## Limitations of PyNN on SpiNNaker: Neurons Per Core



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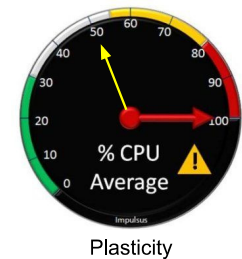
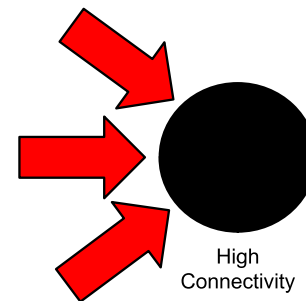
## Limitations of PyNN on SpiNNaker: Number of cores available



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## SpiNNaker-Specific PyNN

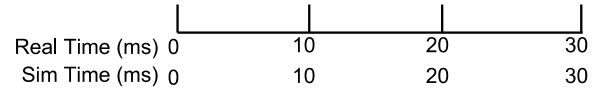
```
import pyNN.spiNNaker as p
p.setup(timestep=1.0)
p.set_number_of_neurons_per_core(p.IF_curr_exp, 100)
pop_1 = p.Population(1, p.IF_curr_exp, {}, label="pop_1")
```



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## Configuration with spynnaker.cfg

```
[Machine]
machineName = None
version = None
timeScaleFactor = 1
```

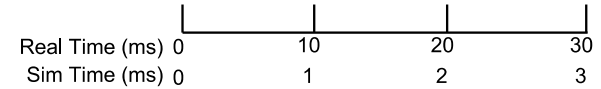


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## Configuration with spynnaker.cfg

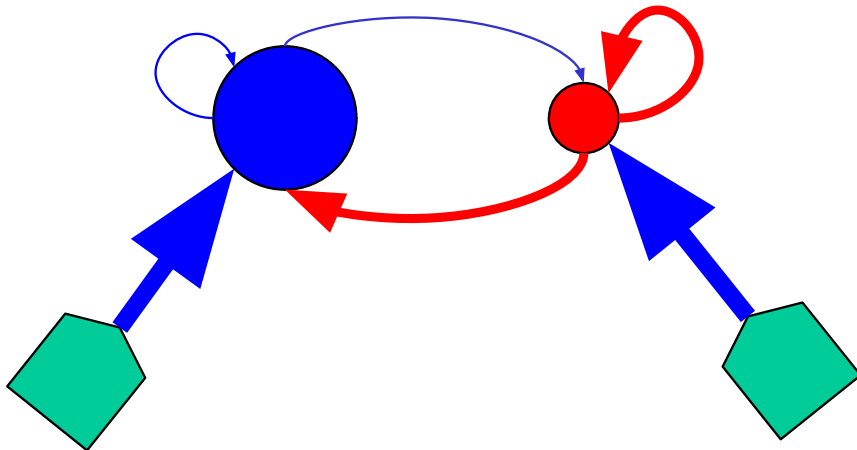
```
[Machine]
machineName = None
version = None
timeScaleFactor = 10
```



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## Balanced Random Network



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## Balanced Random Network

```
import pyNN.spiNNaker as p
import pylab
from pyNN.random import RandomDistribution

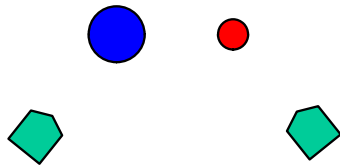
p.setup(timestep=0.1)
n_neurons = 1000
n_exc = int(round(n_neurons * 0.8))
n_inh = int(round(n_neurons * 0.2))
```

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## Balanced Random Network

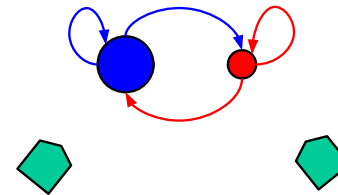
```
pop_exc = p.Population(n_exc, p.IF_curr_exp, {},
                      label="Excitatory")
pop_inh = p.Population(n_inh, p.IF_curr_exp, {},
                      label="Inhibitory")
stim_exc = p.Population(n_exc, p.SpikeSourcePoisson,
                      {"rate": 10.0}, label="Stim_Exc")
stim_inh = p.Population(n_inh, p.SpikeSourcePoisson,
                      {"rate": 10.0}, label="Stim_Inh")
```



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## Balanced Random Network

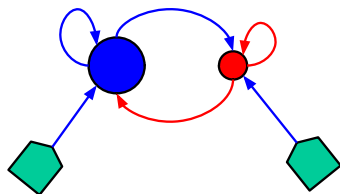
```
conn_exc = p.FixedProbabilityConnector(0.1, weights=0.2,
                                      delays=2.0)
conn_inh = p.FixedProbabilityConnector(0.1, weights=-1.0,
                                      delays=2.0)
p.Projection(pop_exc, pop_exc, conn_exc, target="excitatory")
p.Projection(pop_exc, pop_inh, conn_exc, target="excitatory")
p.Projection(pop_inh, pop_inh, conn_inh, target="inhibitory")
p.Projection(pop_inh, pop_exc, conn_inh, target="inhibitory")
```



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## Balanced Random Network

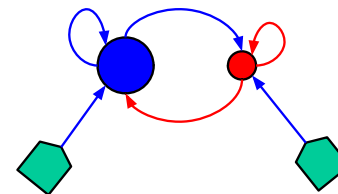
```
delays_stim = RandomDistribution("uniform", [1.0, 1.6])
conn_stim = p.OneToOneConnector(weights=2.0,
                                delays=delays_stim)
p.Projection(stim_exc, pop_exc, conn_stim, target="excitatory")
p.Projection(stim_inh, pop_inh, conn_stim, target="excitatory")
```



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## Balanced Random Network

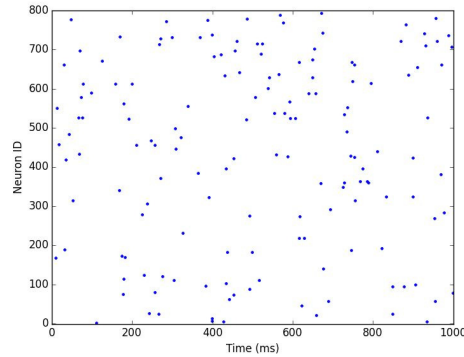
```
pop_exc.initialize("v", RandomDistribution("uniform",
                                           [-65.0, -55.0]))
pop_inh.initialize("v", RandomDistribution("uniform",
                                           [-65.0, -55.0]))
pop_exc.record()
p.run(1000)
```



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## Balanced Random Network

```
spikes = pop_exc.getSpikes()
pylab.plot([i[1] for i in spikes], [i[0] for i in spikes], ".")
pylab.xlabel("Time (ms)")
pylab.ylabel("Neuron ID")
pylab.axis([0, 1000, -1, n_exc + 1])
pylab.show()
```

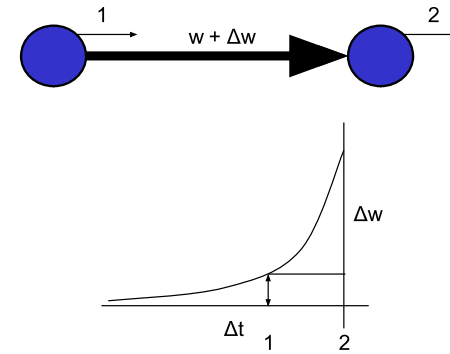


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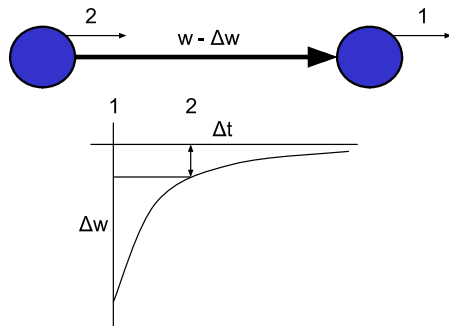


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## Spike Time Dependent Plasticity: Potentiation



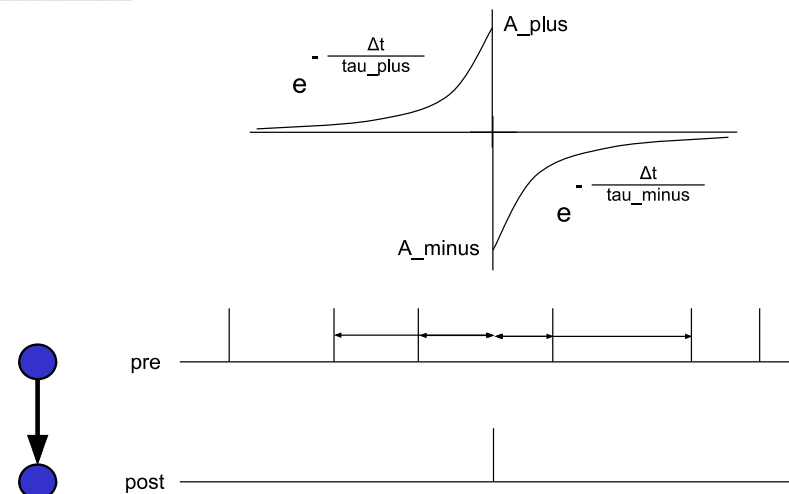
## Spike Time Dependent Plasticity: Depression



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## STDP Rules

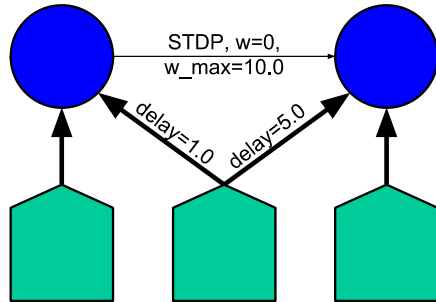


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## STDP in PyNN



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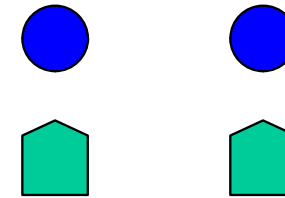
## STDP in PyNN

```
import pyNN.spiNNaker as p
import pylab
```

```
p.setup(timestep=1.0)
n_neurons = 100
```

```
pre_pop = p.Population(n_neurons, p.IF_curr_exp, {}, label="Pre")
post_pop = p.Population(n_neurons, p.IF_curr_exp, {}, label="Post")
pre_noise = p.Population(
    n_neurons, p.SpikeSourcePoisson, {"rate": 10.0}, label="Noise_Pre")
post_noise = p.Population(
    n_neurons, p.SpikeSourcePoisson, {"rate": 10.0}, label="Noise_Post")
```

```
pre_pop.record()
post_pop.record()
```



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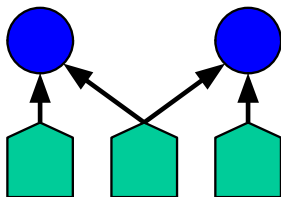


## STDP in PyNN

```
training = p.Population(
    n_neurons, p.SpikeSourcePoisson,
    {"rate": 10.0, "start": 2000.0, "duration": 1000.0},
    label="Training")
```

```
p.Projection(pre_noise, pre_pop, p.OneToOneConnector(weights=2.0))
p.Projection(post_noise, post_pop, p.OneToOneConnector(weights=2.0))
```

```
p.Projection(training, pre_pop, p.OneToOneConnector(weights=5.0, delays=1.0))
p.Projection(training, post_pop, p.OneToOneConnector(weights=5.0, delays=10.0))
```



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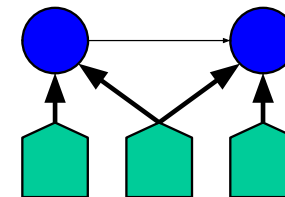


## STDP in PyNN

```
timing_rule = p.SpikePairRule(tau_plus=20.0, tau_minus=20.0)
weight_rule = p.AdditiveWeightDependence(
    w_max=5.0, w_min=0.0, A_plus=0.5, A_minus=0.5)
```

```
stdp_model = p.STDPMechanism(
    timing_dependence=timing_rule, weight_dependence=weight_rule)
```

```
stdp_projection = p.Projection(
    pre_pop, post_pop, p.OneToOneConnector(weights=0.0, delays=5.0),
    synapse_dynamics=p.SynapseDynamics(slow=stdp_model))
```



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# STDP in PyNN

```
p.run(5000)

pre_spikes = pre_pop.getSpikes()
post_spikes = post_pop.getSpikes()

print stdp_projection.getWeights()

p.end()
```

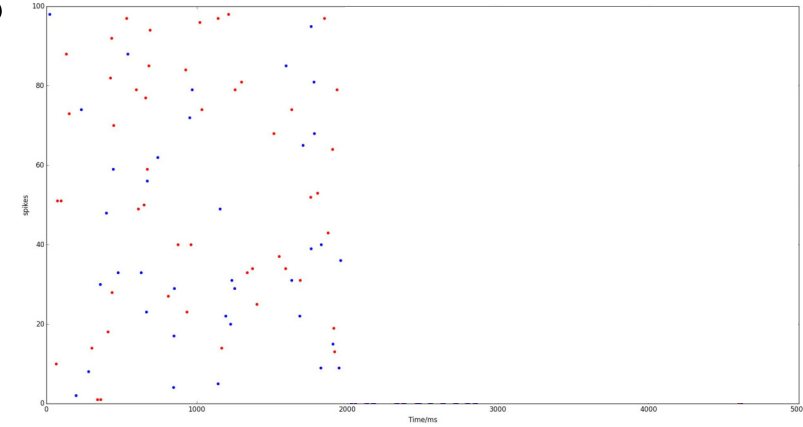
4.83886719	5.	4.27246094	5.	3.80957031	4.87060547
5.	5.	5.	5.	5.	5.
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5.	5.	5.	5.	5.	5.
5.	3.76953125	5.	5.	5.	5.
5.	5.	5.	5.	5.	5.
4.81591797	5.	5.	5.	5.	5.
2.73339844	5.	5.	5.	5.	5.
5.	5.	5.	5.	5.	5.
5.	5.	5.	5.	4.98046875	5.
5.	5.	5.	5.	4.23388672	5.
5.	5.	5.	5.	4.69433594	5.
5.	5.	5.	5.	5.	5.
3.85400391	5.	5.	5.	4.07617188	5.
5.	5.	5.	5.	5.	5.

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# STDP in PyNN

```
pylab.figure()
pylab.xlim((0, 5000))
pylab.plot([i[1] for i in pre_spikes], [i[0] for i in pre_spikes], "r.")
pylab.plot([i[1] for i in post_spikes], [i[0] for i in post_spikes], "b.")
pylab.xlabel('Time/ms')
pylab.ylabel('spikes')
pylab.show()
```



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