

Detecting Deep Fakes With Mice

Machine vs. Biology

"Fake News" Circa 1938

DAILY NEWS
NEW YORK'S PICTURE NEWSPAPER
Vol. III, No. 108
New York, Monday, October 31, 1938
48 Pages
2 Cents

FAKE RADIO 'WAR' STIRS TERROR THROUGH U.S.

"War" Victim
Cordelle, California, woman who fled in "War" panic. Her husband, Fred, was found dead in their home.

"I Didn't Know", Orson Welles, after announcement of public meeting. He denied he was the author of the "War of the Worlds" for radio and played轻松 role. Left: A man in costume as a "Martian" stands near a model description of landing of weird "machine from Mars" started last night at 8 p.m.

The New York Times.

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NEW YORK, MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1938. P.P.

MEAD STANDS PAT AS A NEW DEALER IN BID FOR SENATE
Democratic Candidate Opposes Any Except Minor Changes in
in Bloc na Parley
r New York. Elmer Mead, central American, Woodstock, Vt., has been elected today to the Senate. He is a very likely if Americans meet a new situation, and

Radio Listeners in Panic, Taking War Drama as Fact
Many Flee Homes to Escape 'Gas Raid From Mars'—Phone Calls Swamp Police at Broadcast of Wells Fantasy

OUSTED JEWS FIND REFUGE IN POLAND AFTER BORDER STAY
Exiles Go to Relatives' Homes or to Camps Maintained by

The Detroit News

War Skit on Radio Terrifies Nation

Night Bass Fate Soon to Be Cris
Radio's Great Hour Broadcast Results in U. S. Quake
Listeners Flee 'Mars Invasion'

The Boston Daily Globe

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RADIO PLAY TERRIFIES NATION

The Capital Parade
READY FOR HALLOWEEN
3 FIRES SET IN SO. END HOTEL
52 Guests, Employees Held in Darkness as Police Hunt Invaders
PATROL WAGON, AUTO CRASH
Mars Invasion Thought Real
Hysteria Grips Folk Listening to Late Many Ease World

Mars Attacks!,
1938

“War of the Worlds” Hoax

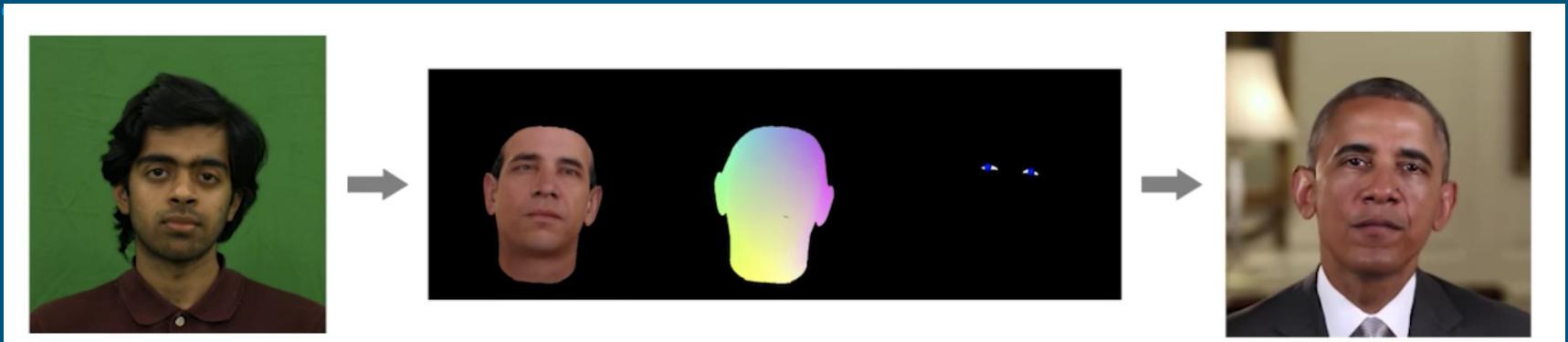


Mercury
Theatre,
Manhattan



Orson Welles:
“Sorry about it!”

2019: AI-Synthesized Media



“Deep Video Portraits,” SIGGRAPH

Face Swap, Puppet Master, Lip Sync, Voice Cloning...

ML is crossing the “uncanny valley” faster than CG!



Cybersecurity Threat ?



Senators unveil bipartisan bill to target 'deepfake' video threat



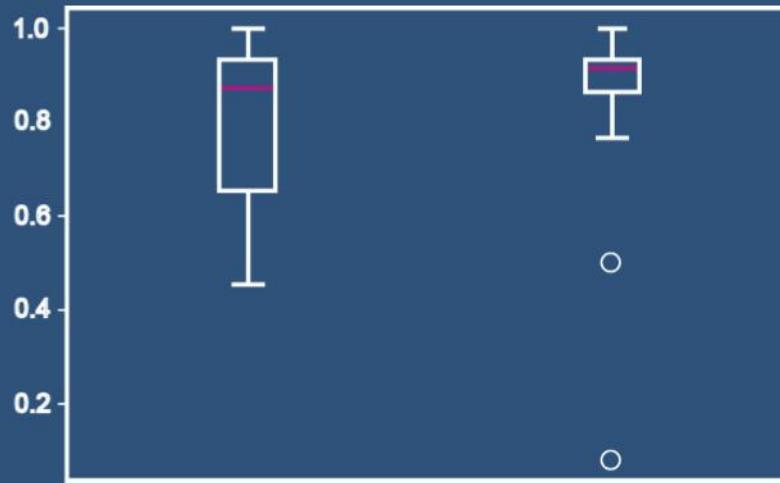
“The capability to do all of this is real. It exists now.” - Marco Rubio, Senator



“You don’t need software engineers anymore. You just download it to your PC and run it.” - Chris Bregler, Google

But Who Is Really Fooled ?

**Humans
88%**



**Machines
92%**

Fake Speech Study ASVSpoof 2019 DataSet

Machines

Alexander Comerford

Biology

Jonathan Saunders

What is a deep fake?

- Term coined in ~2017
 - Same time as published landmark paper “Generative Adversarial Networks”^[6]
- Compound word of “deep learning” and “fake”
- Usually associated with synthesizing images and videos
- Broadly shows the abilities of generative modeling
- The public associates deep fakes with political videos or pornography
- Data about a person -> Puppet of the person

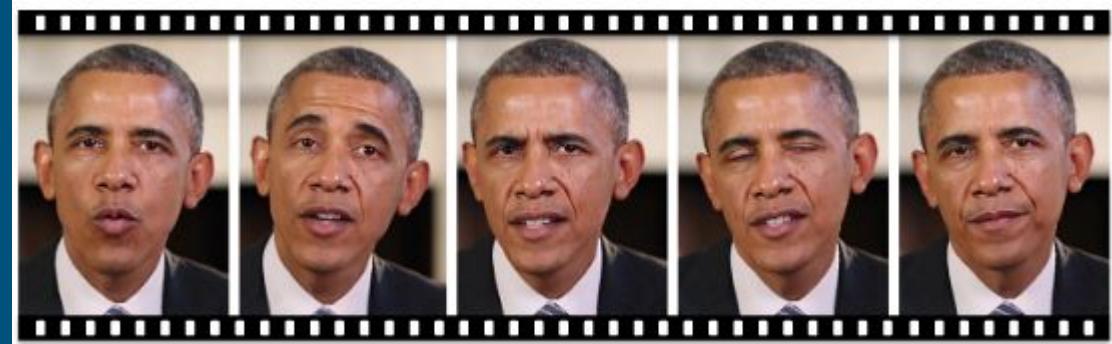
How is a deep fake made?

- Deep fakes are a product of generative modeling and Neural Networks
 - Create a mapping from one data type to another (ex: text to speech)
 - Given data, find a model that generates new but similar samples
 - Unsupervised learning (no data labels, just training data!)
- “Deep” Neural Networks produce the most “fake” samples
- Convincing fakes requires significant resources
 - Fully representative dataset
 - Compute

Good deep fakes are HARD!

- Synthesizing Obama [1]

- Training:
 - 17 hours of data
 - ~2 weeks on cpu
 - ~2 hours on gpu
 - ? hours of work



general deep fakes are EASY and FUN!



WaveNet [3]



Forensics Face Detection From GANs Using
Convolutional Neural Network [2]

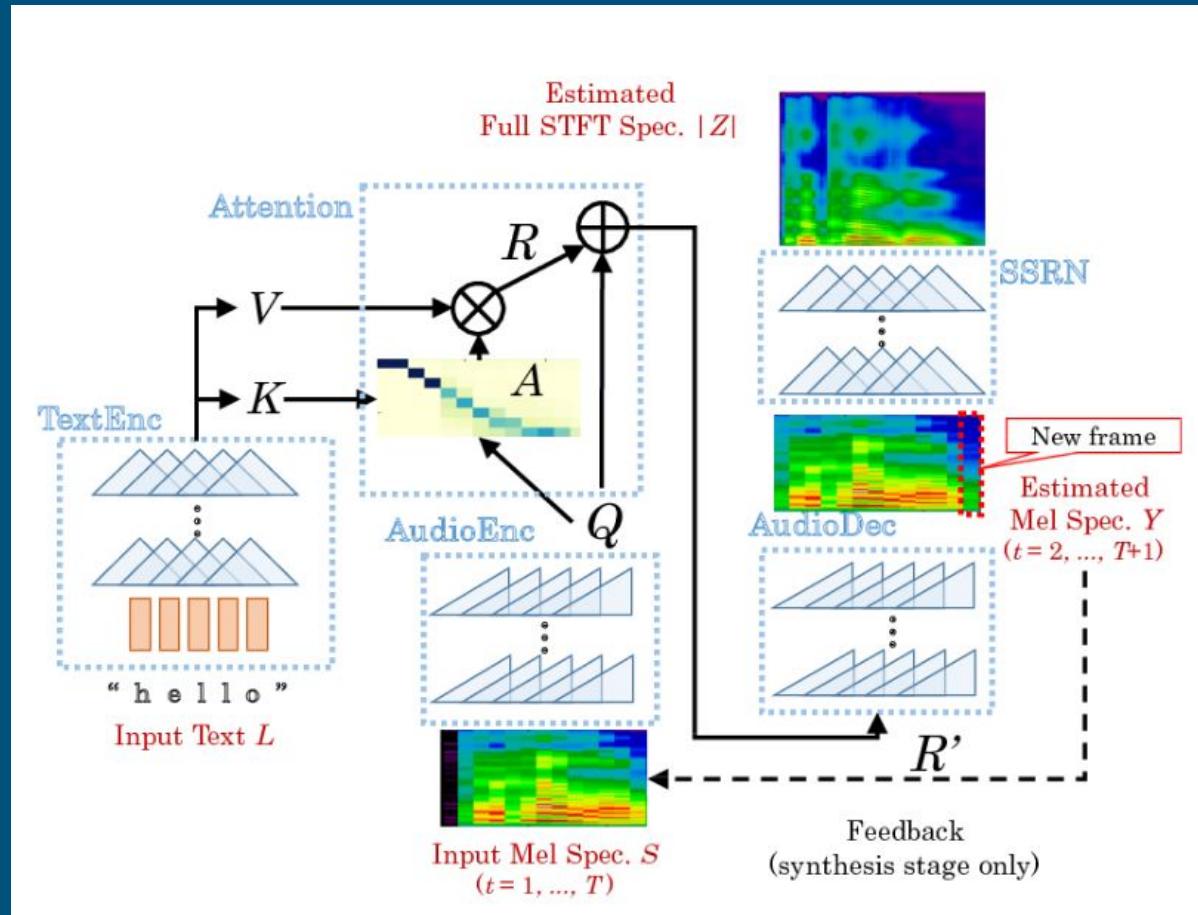
History of Text To Speech

"I've been looking forward to black hat all year"



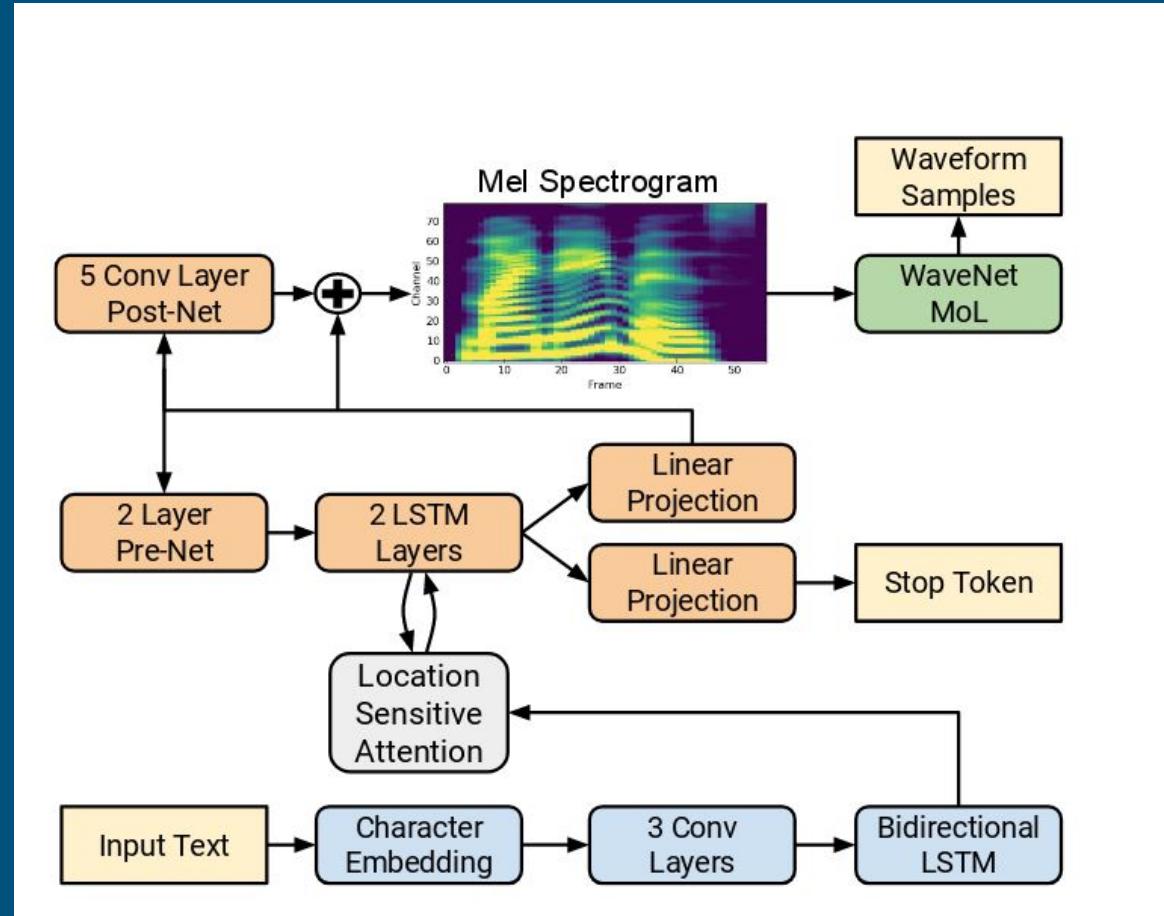
DC-TTS

https://github.com/Kyubyong/dc_tts



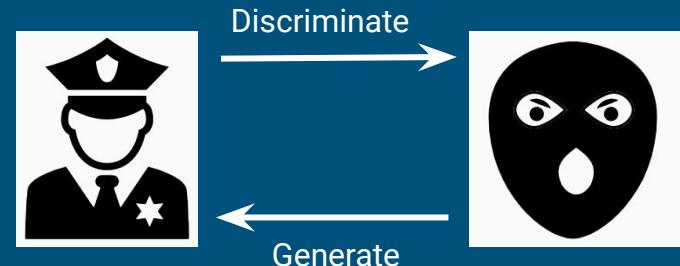
Tacotron2

<https://github.com/NVIDIA/tacotron2>



Taking advantage of GAN_[6] discriminators

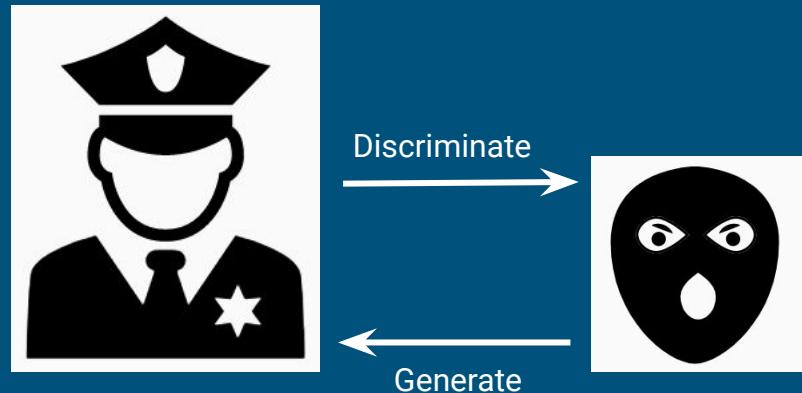
- GANs are Generative Models
- Generative and Discriminative component
 - Creates samples (Audio, Images, Videos)
 - Classifies samples as “real” or “fake”
- Components train by playing a “game” to trick the other
- We want a powerful discriminator
- Train WaveGAN on asv-spoof data
 - Epochs: 5k
 - Parameter combinations: 300



$$\min_G \max_D V(D, G) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x})} [\log D(\mathbf{x})] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{z} \sim p_{\mathbf{z}}(\mathbf{z})} [\log(1 - D(G(\mathbf{z})))].$$

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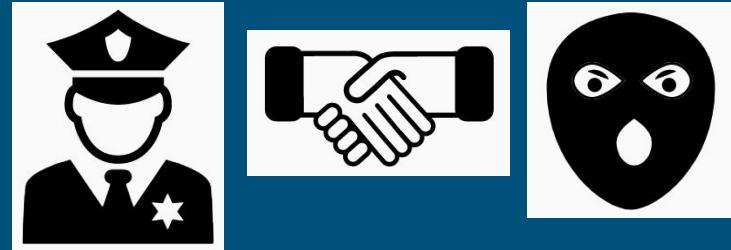
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Approach 1: GAN_[6] discriminators

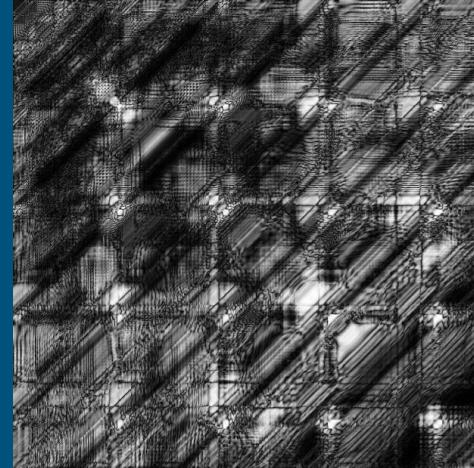
- Discriminator is not powerful enough to generalize
- Future directions
 - Train discriminator on non generator samples
 - Richer features
 - Train discriminator separately after convergence



Approach 2: Bispectral Analysis

- Use the bispectrum of the raw audio as the evaluating feature_[8]
- Bicoherence (normalized bispectrum) of a signal represents higher-order correlations in the Fourier domain

*“There are different
cultures in different
departments”*



Approach 2: Bispectral Analysis

- The averaged bicoherent magnitude across segments of a waveform produces a signature

DC-TTS



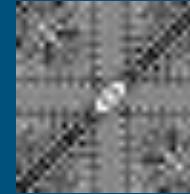
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Tacotron2



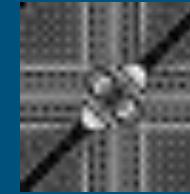
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Human



Human



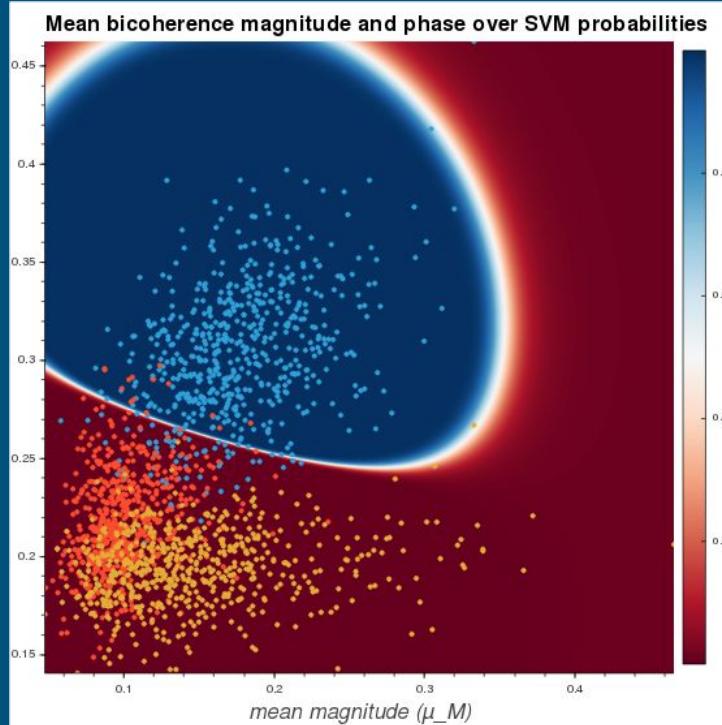
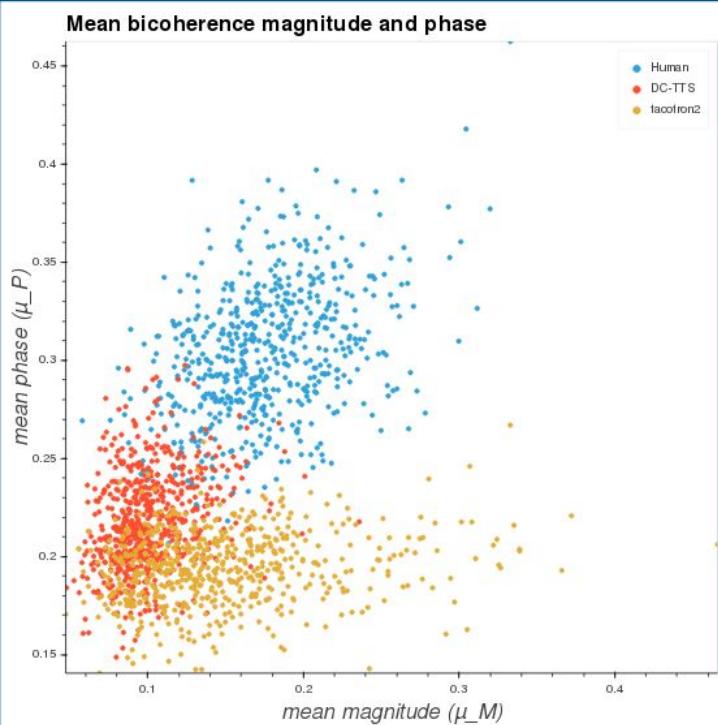
Human

"There are different cultures in different departments."

"Don't you think it was a fine performance."

"Where do we go from here."

Approach 2: Bispectral Analysis



Accuracy:	0.95
Precision:	0.95
Recall:	0.94
Samples:	1800

* Samples from LJ speech dataset

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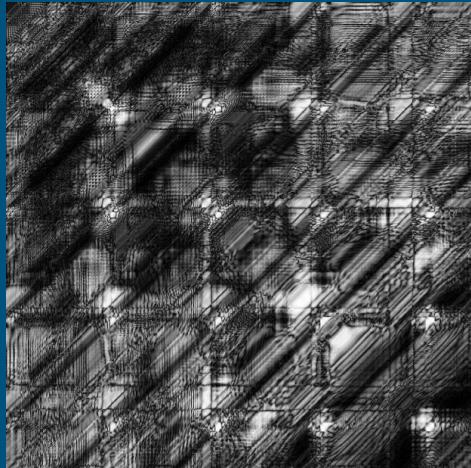
Detecting Deep Fakes: Insights from Biological Neural Nets

Jonathan Saunders, University of
Oregon

What kind of deepfake detection do we want?

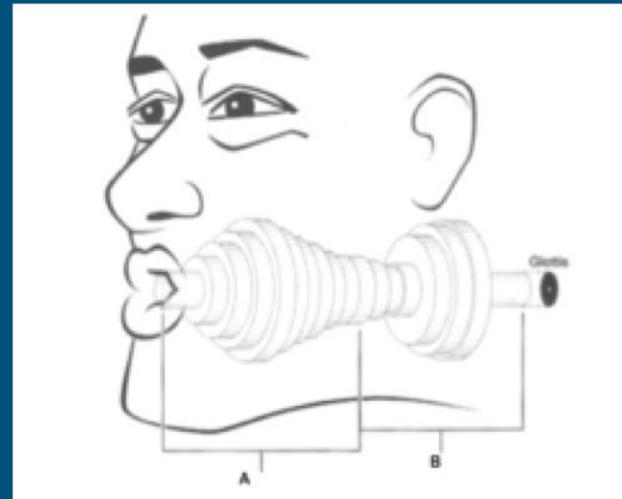
Generation Algorithm Dependent

- Throw data at it
- Always vulnerable to new algorithm
 - Eg. Phase-based detection defeated if complex spectra used in generation



Generation Algorithm Independent

- Requires phonetics & neuroscience
- General solution



ned2 look closer in2 this slimy clarinet

Listening to people talk is hard

Speech is...

- Hierarchical
- **Fast:**
 - 10-30 phonemes/s

To detect phonemes,
have to normalize...

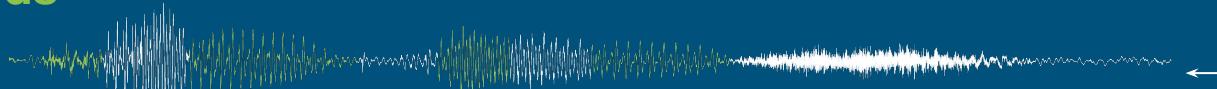
- Voice Timbre
- Rate
- Prosody
- Accent

Sentences



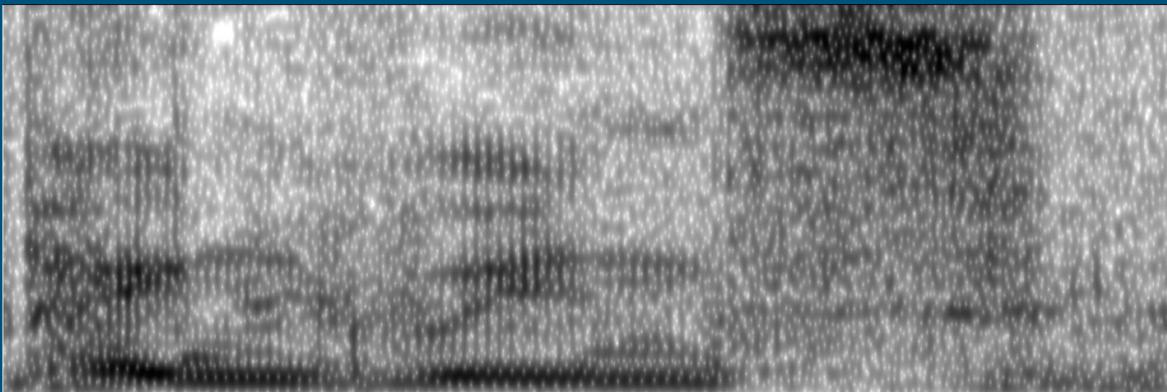
Is there such thing as insanity among penguins?

Words

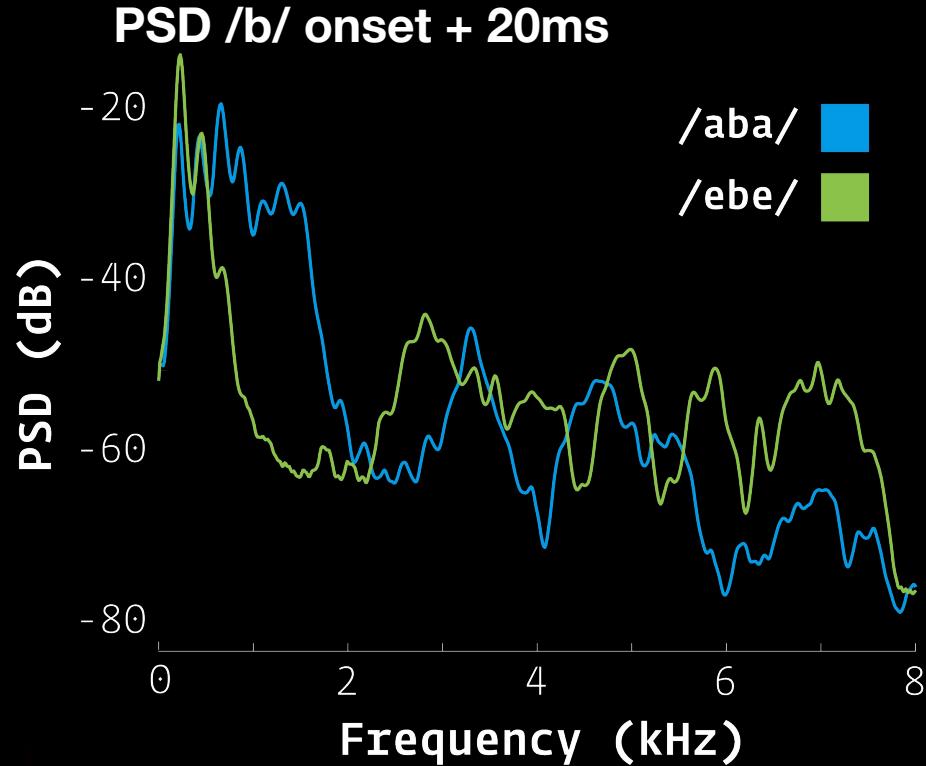


/p/ /e/ /ŋ/ /g/ /w/ /ɪ/ /n/ /z/

Phonemes



Coarticulation: No unique acoustic structure for phonemes



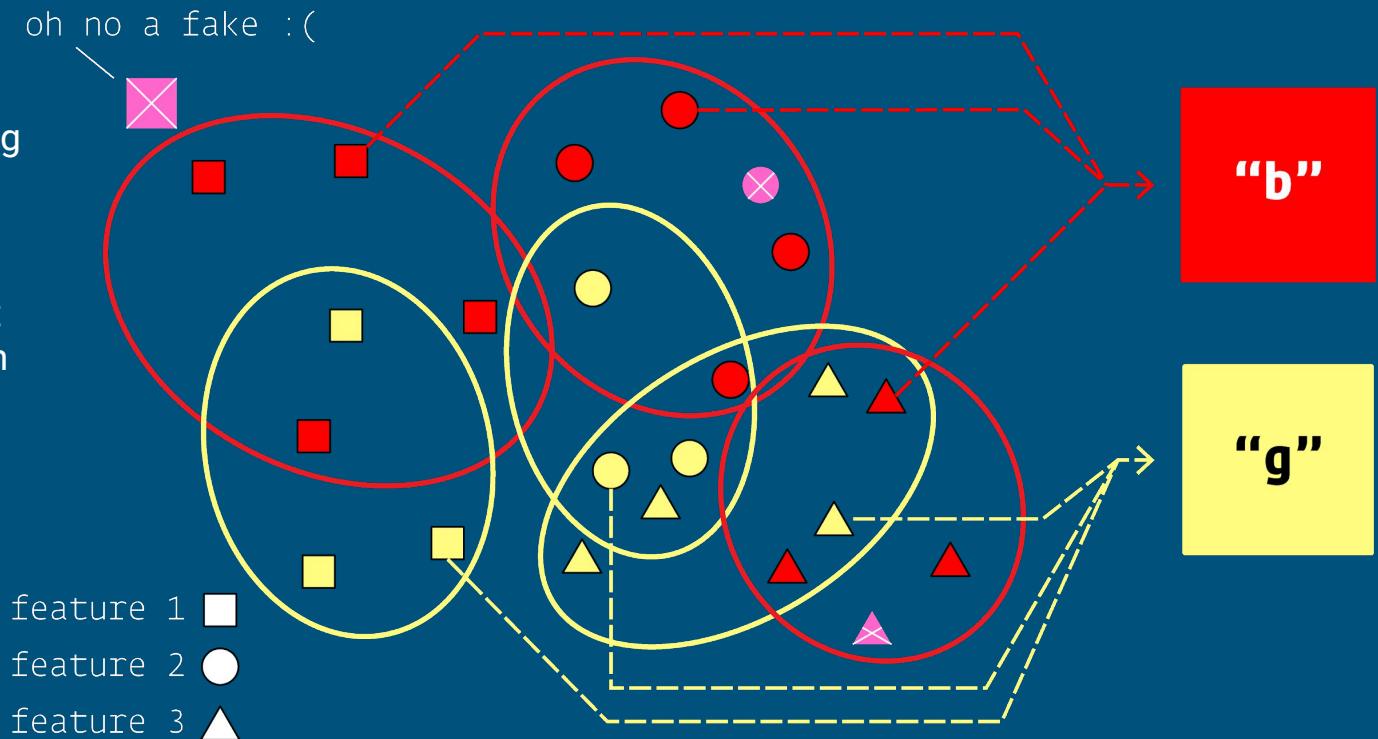
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The Auditory System: designed to be gullible

Acoustics → Perception

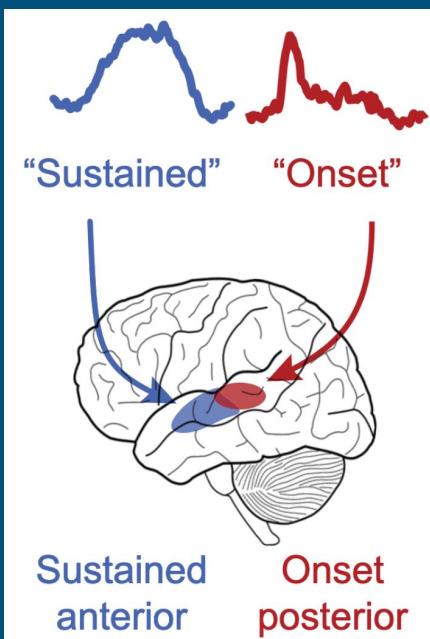
- Complex, overlapping feature space
- Collapse redundant/irrelevant acoustic information
- Bad fakes fool the auditory system



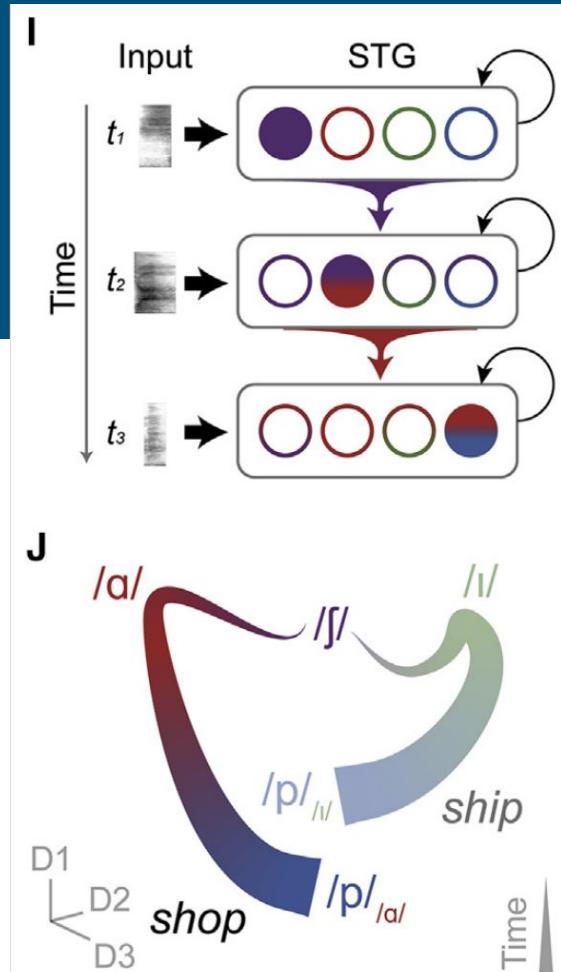
How does the brain do it?

- Phrase onsets signalled by posterior auditory cortex
- Recurrent anterior cortical networks compare past to present

The rest is all theory :(



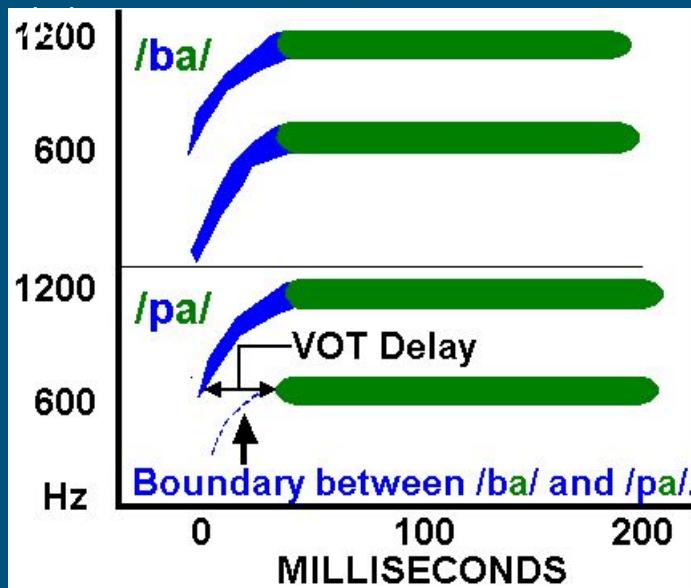
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Can't crack the speech circuit in humans

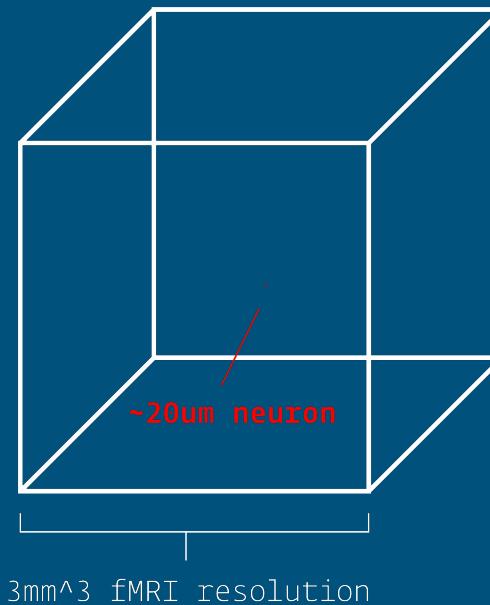
— Speech is too fast

~20ms of sound distinguishes /b/ from



Neurons are too small

~630k neurons in an fMRI voxel



Can't study phonetic processing in humans?

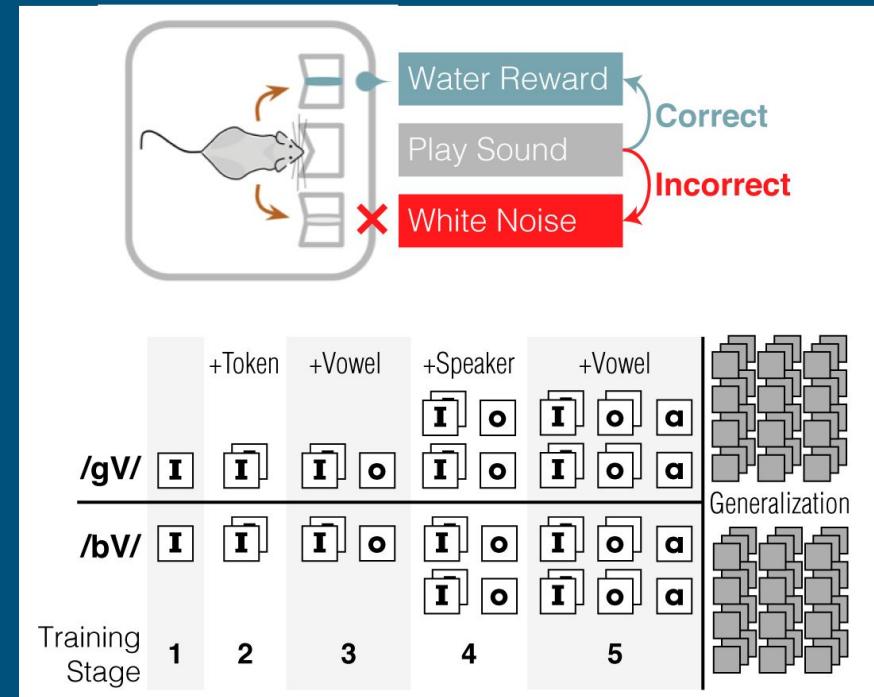
Teach mice English (phonemes)

To discriminate /bV/ vs. /gV/ consonant-vowel pairs...

1. Center poke to play sound
2. Go left if /g/, right if /b/
3. Get that water or face the consequences

5 training stages add speakers + vowels

Onto a generalization stage w/ 180 recordings



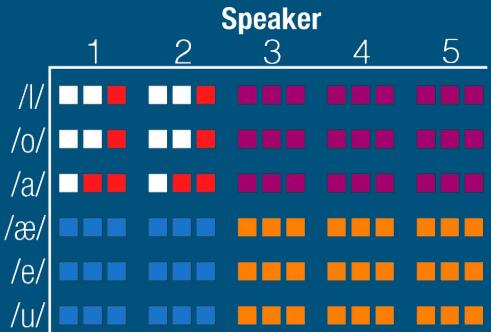


PSA: We are releasing the next hot shit in behavior hardware/software this summer: git.io/rpilot

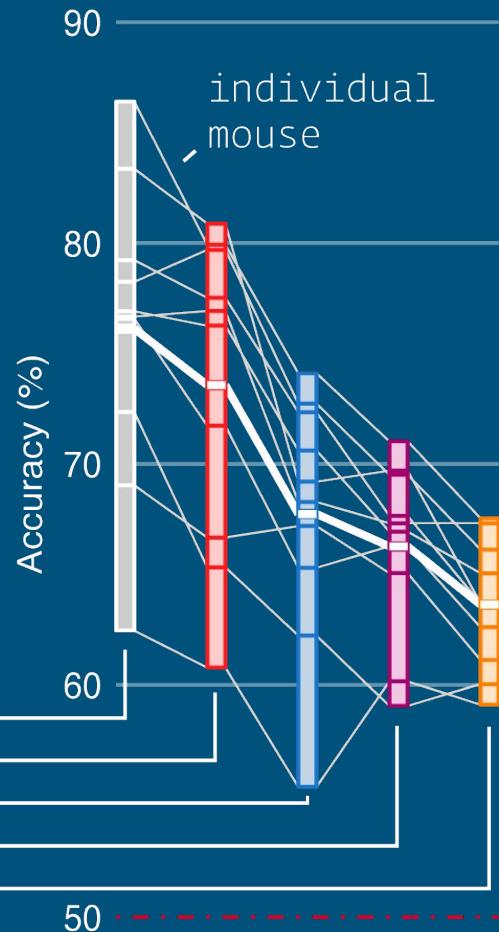
Generalization Performance

- Mice learn generalizable consonant categories
- Performance decreases with dissimilarity to training set
- Generalization deficit similar across mice

Token Structure in Generalization Task



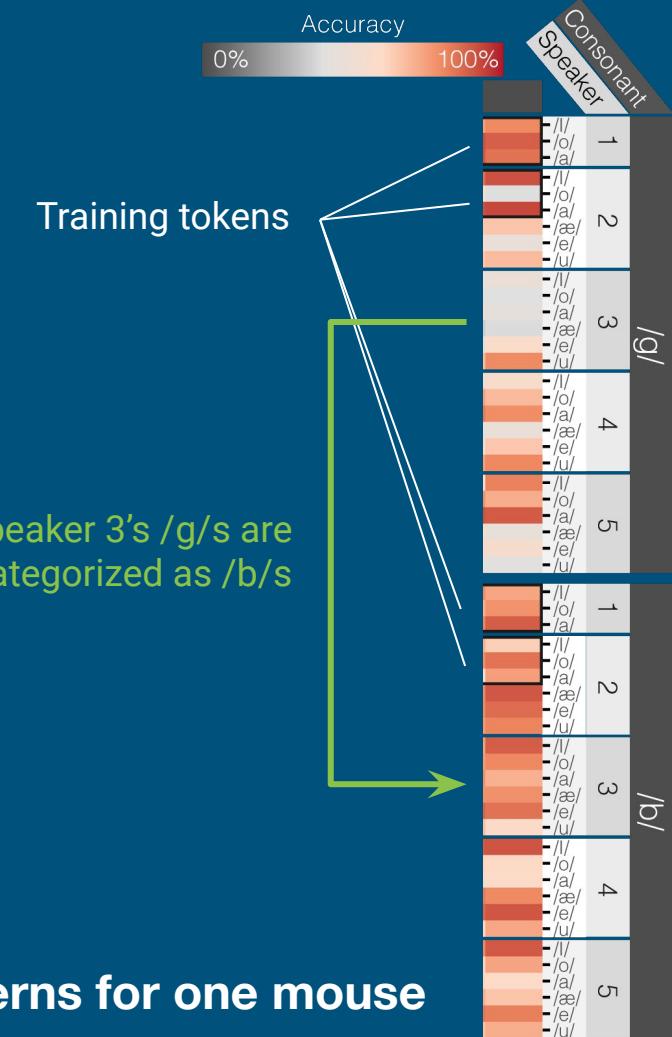
Training Set
Novel Token Only
Novel Vowel
Novel Speaker
Novel Speaker & Vowel



Nonuniform Error Patterns

- Each mouse has a complex discrimination boundary

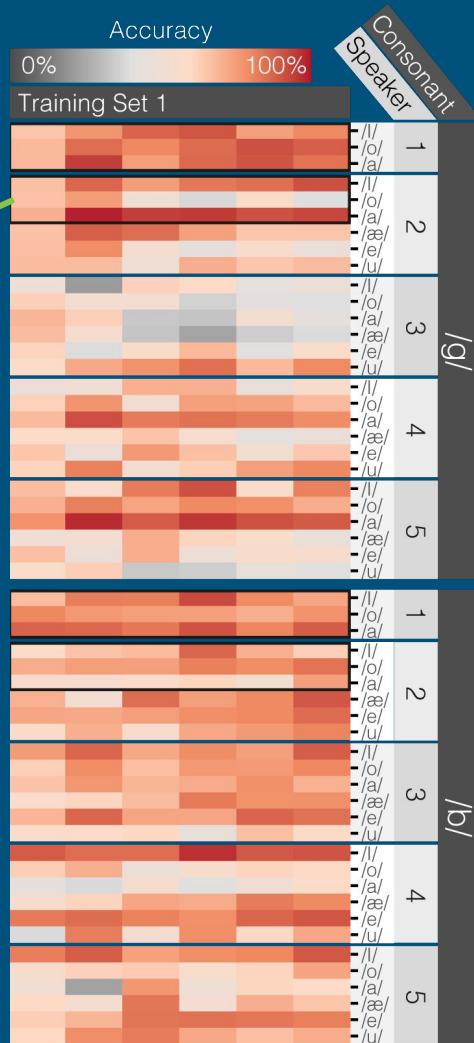
Error Patterns for one mouse



Nonuniform Error Patterns

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- But general patterns are preserved across mice

A hard token in the training set



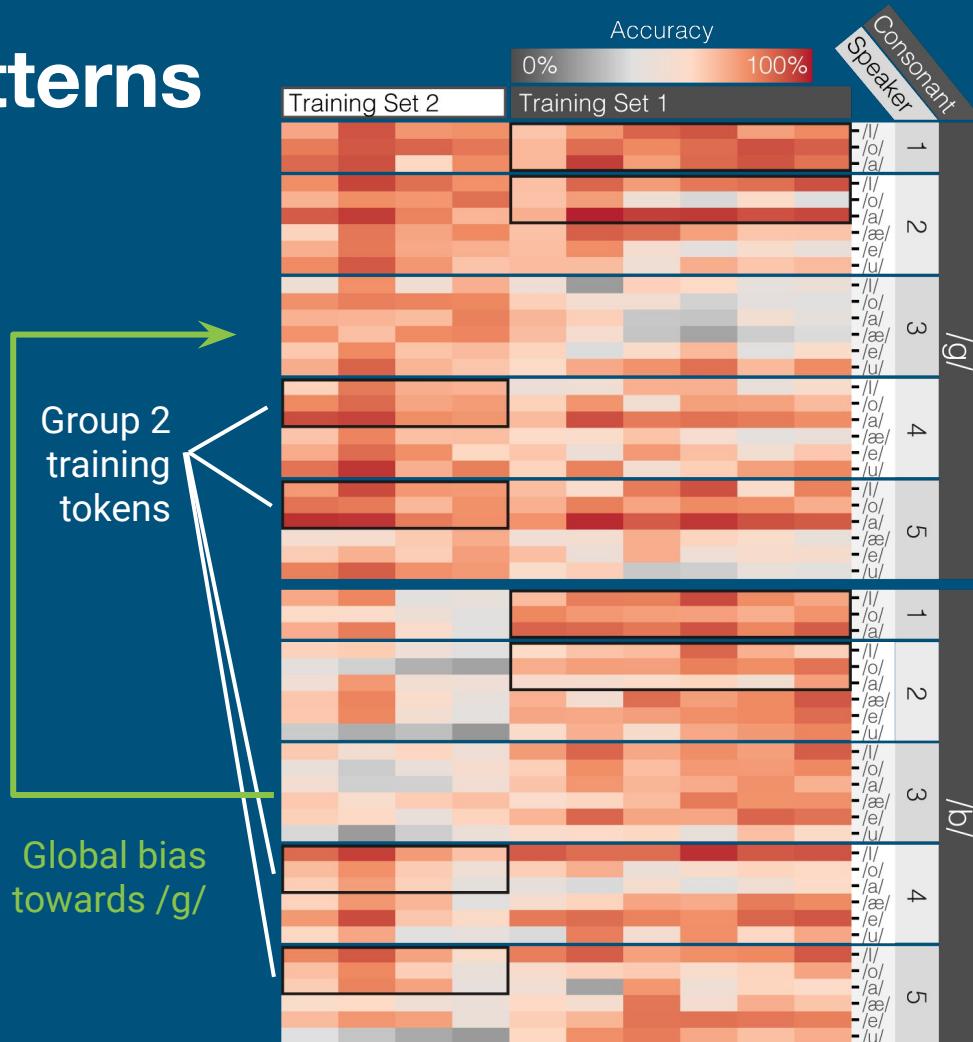
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When we trained on a different set of tokens...

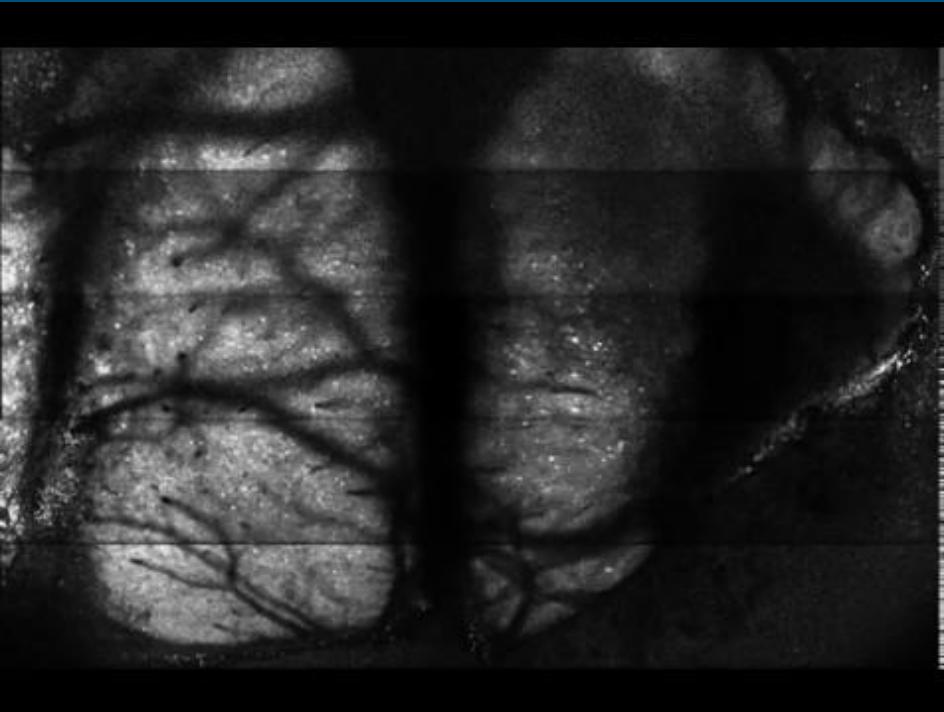
- Wholly different error pattern
 - Biases are mostly from training, not stimuli

Mice learn a complex acoustic representation of consonants



This Fall: record entire surface of auditory cortex during learning & testing

Example data from Evan Vickers, UOregon, pers. comm.



Dorsal surface,
4.5mm x 3mm, 0.3Hz (10x)

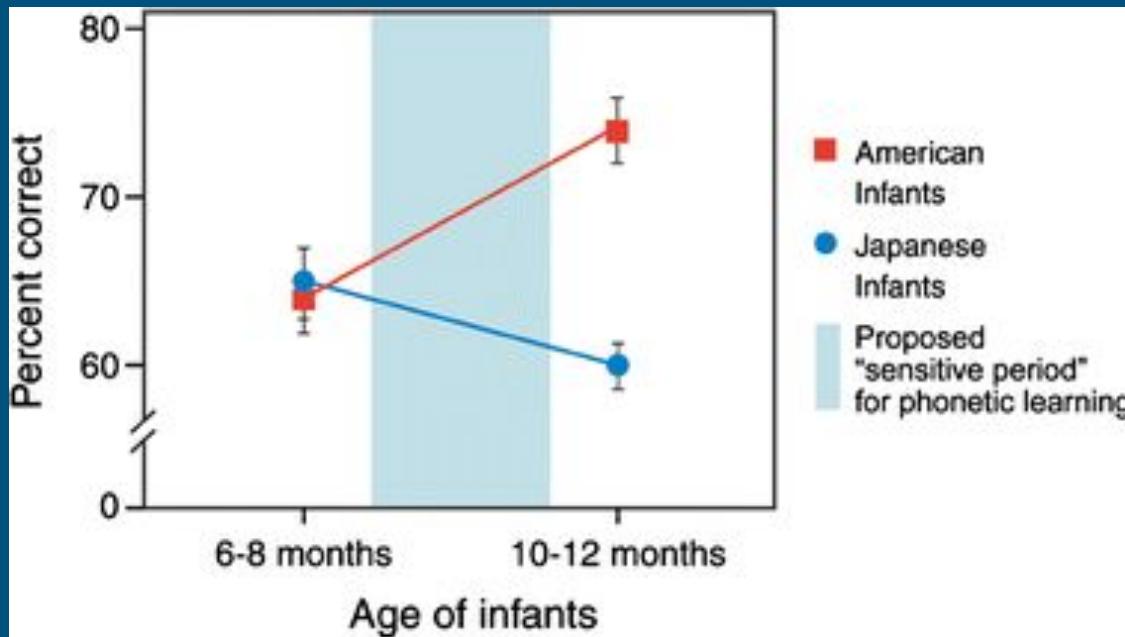


Primary Auditory Cortex,
230um depth, 500um² area, 7Hz (5x)

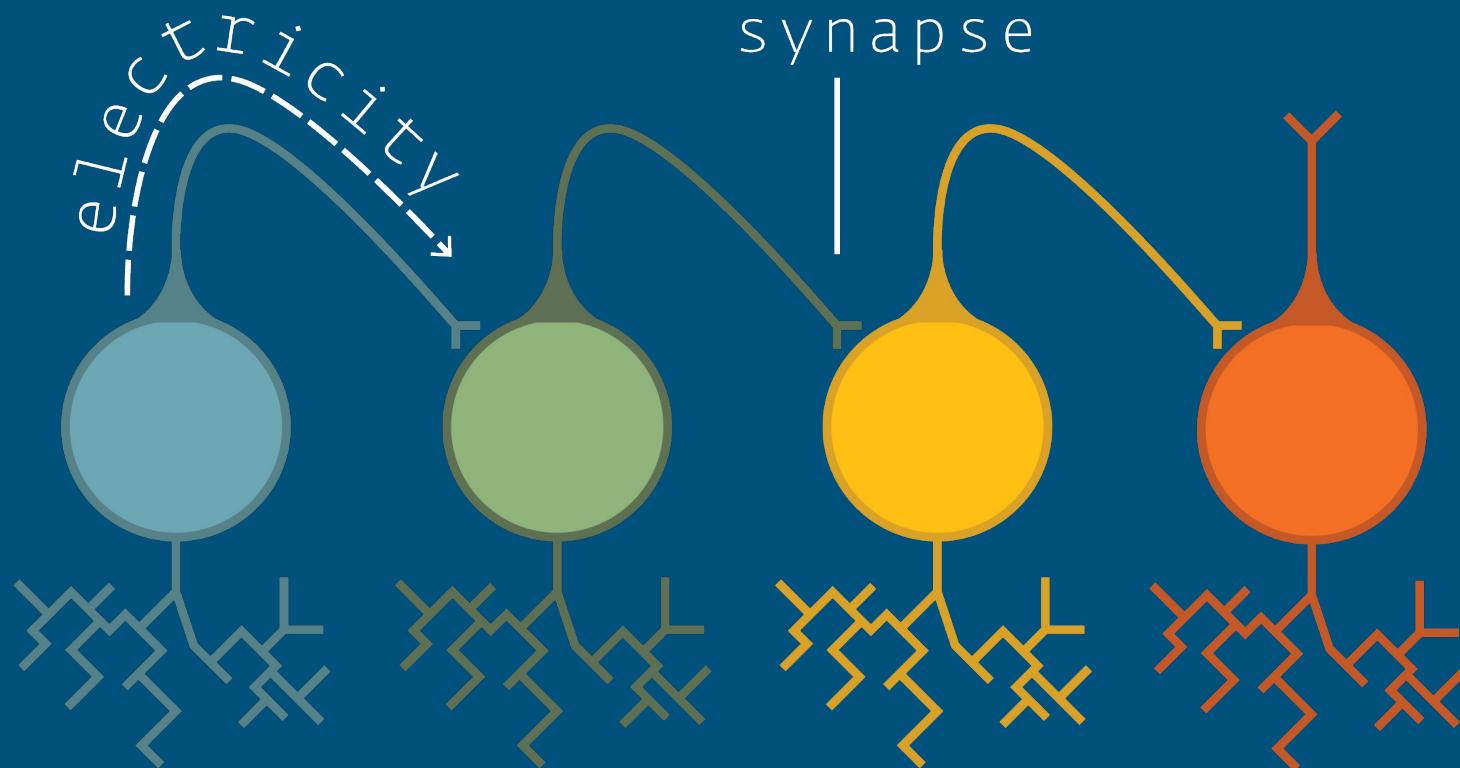
Now: Are category representations plastic?

- Some of our mice failed to learn, but why?
- Humans can't hear some phonetic contrasts that aren't in their language

/ra/-/la/
discrimination



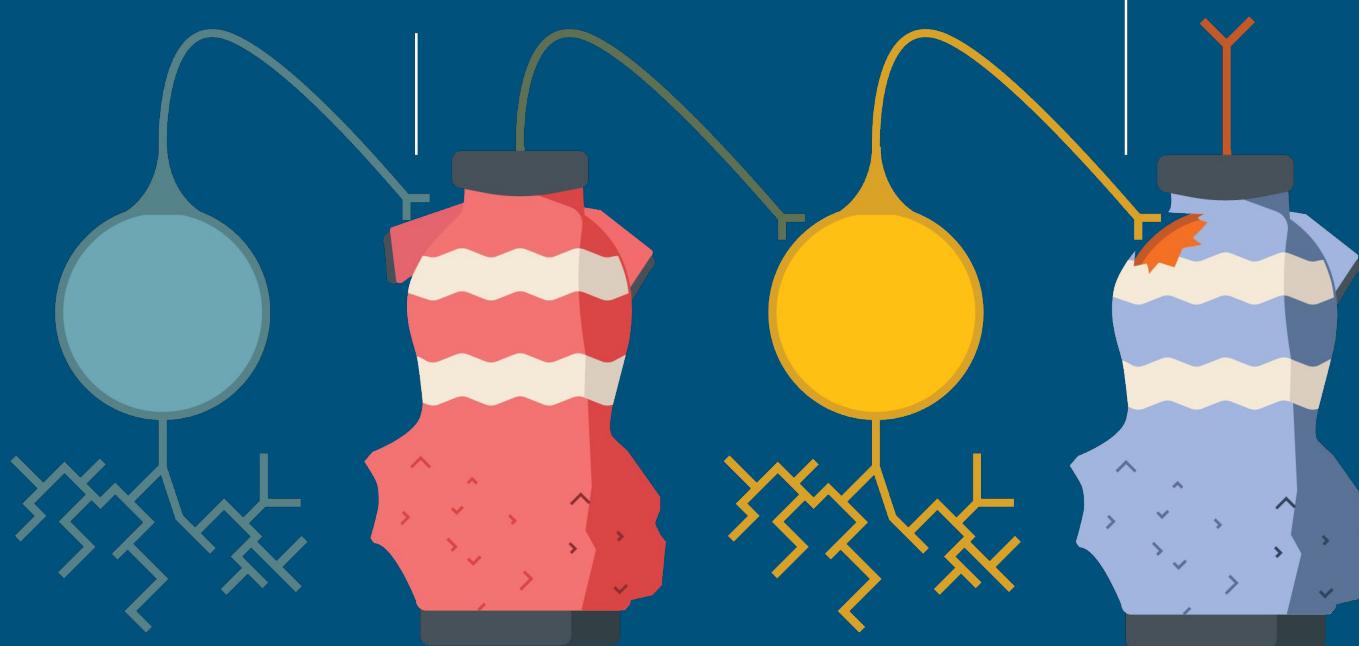
Information is stored in the synapses...



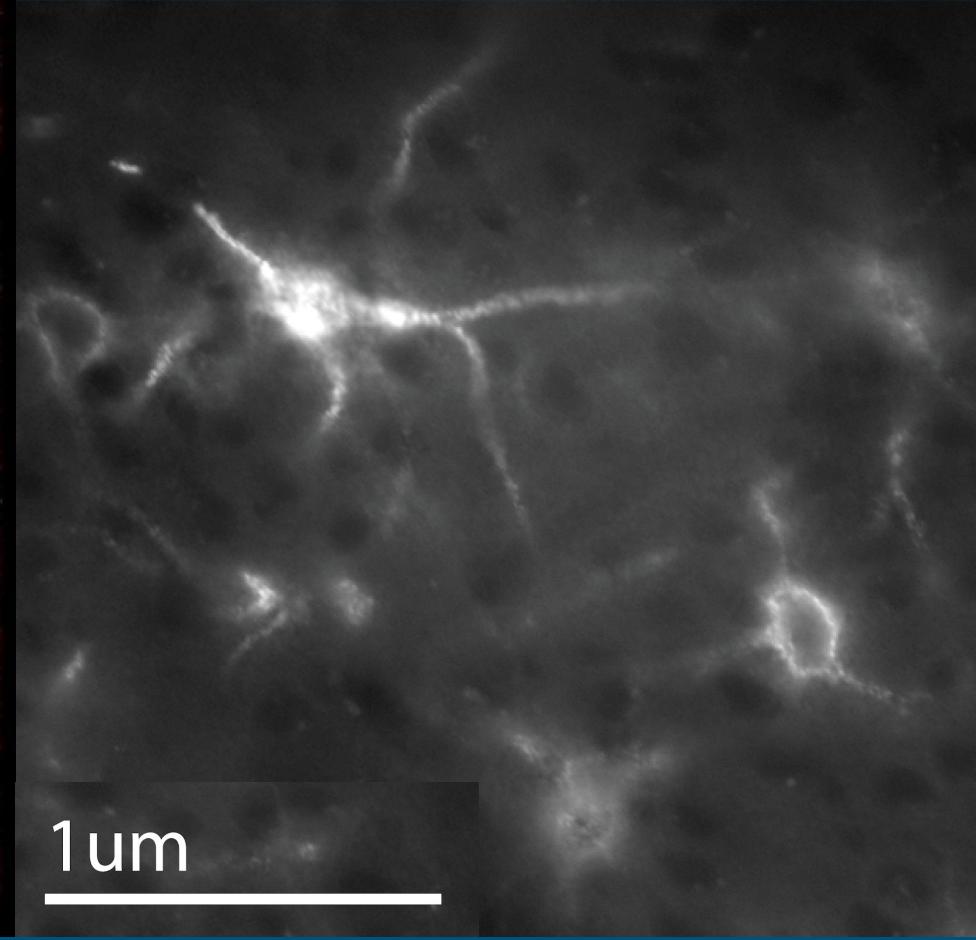
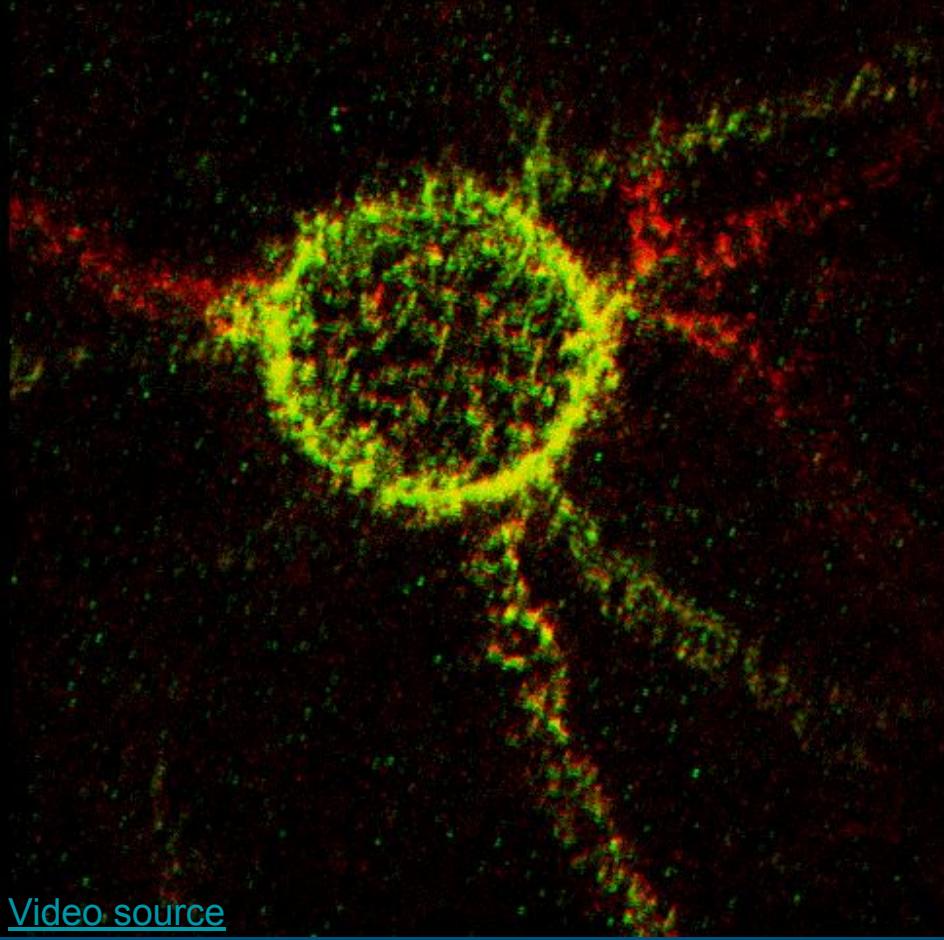
Synaptic patterns are stabilized by extracellular proteins - perineuronal nets

Synapse blocked!

hello old friend

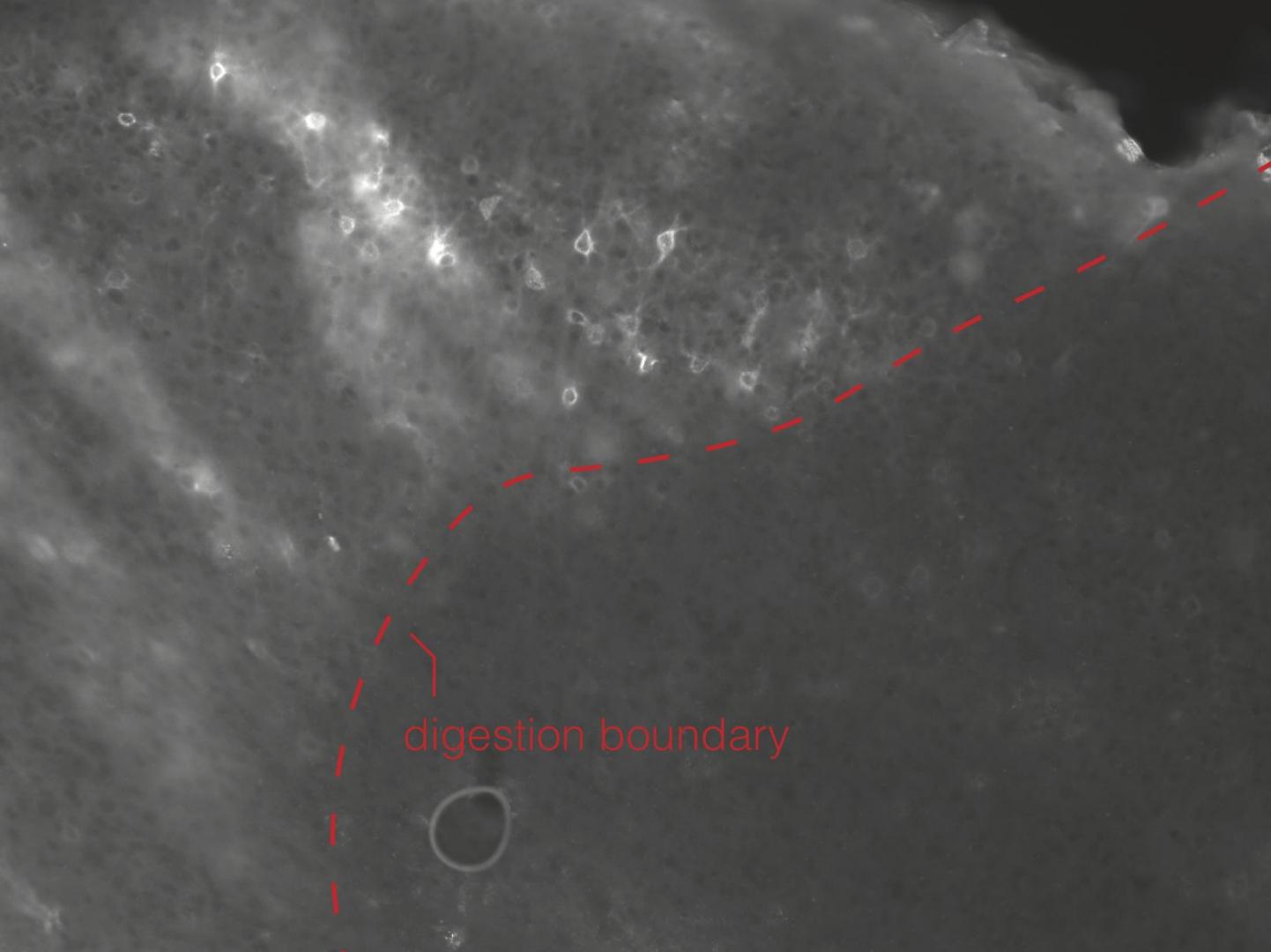


A subset of neurons wear perineuronal nets

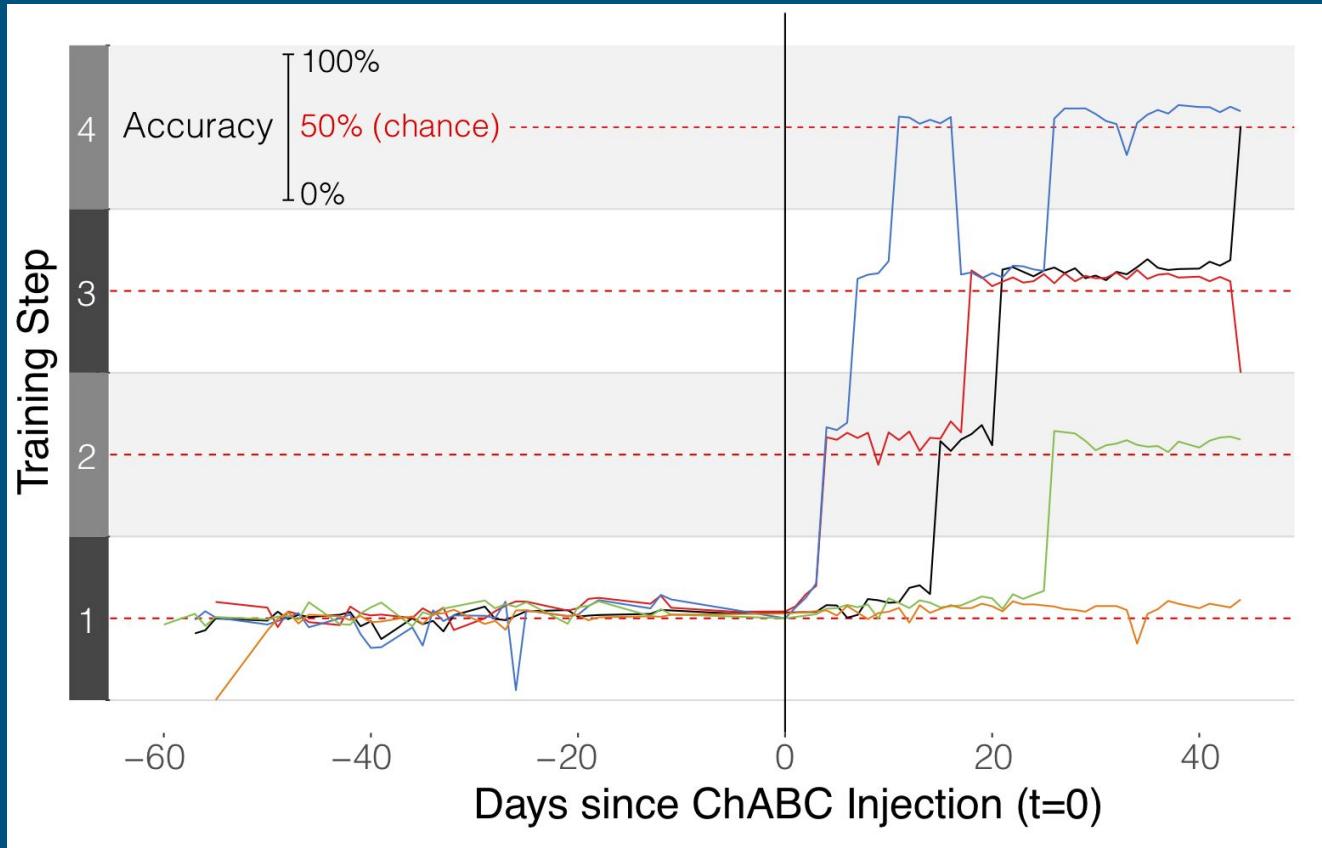


1μm

What if we destroy
them and let them
grow back?



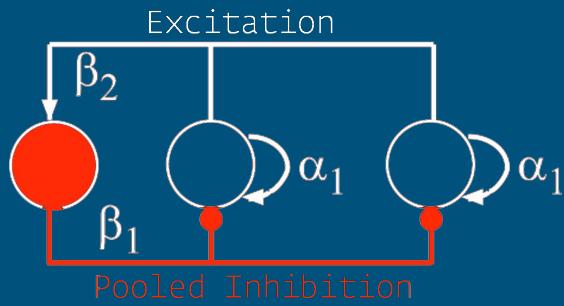
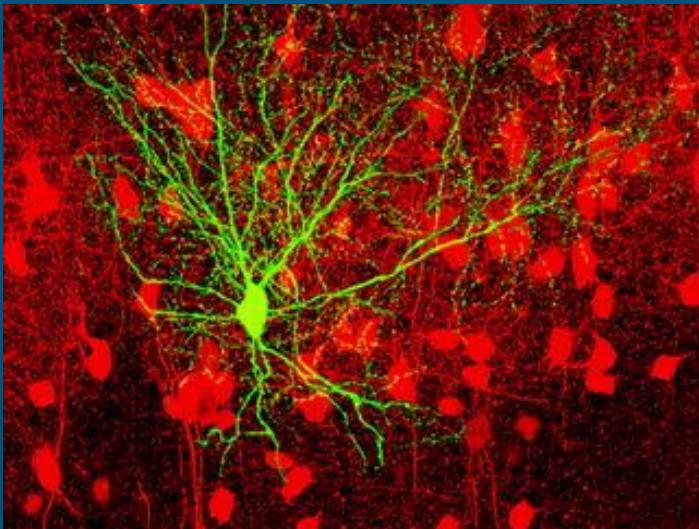
PNN Digestion reopens speech learning



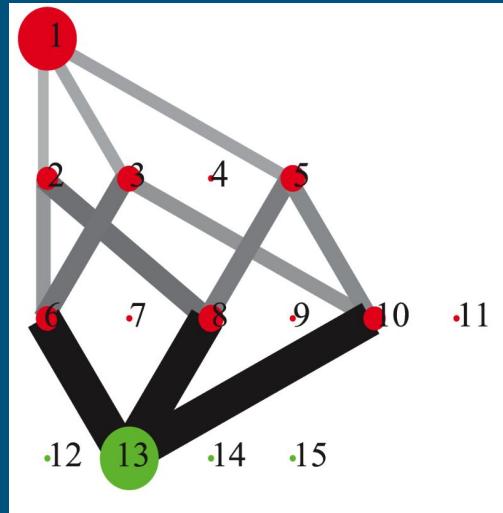
*warning, unpublished
pilot experiment,
replication in progress

ANNs Need Inhibition

- PNNs are worn by neurons with strong local inhibition
- Local Inhibitory neurons
 - Integrate recent past to steer recurrent computation
 - Store long-term auditory percepts (?)



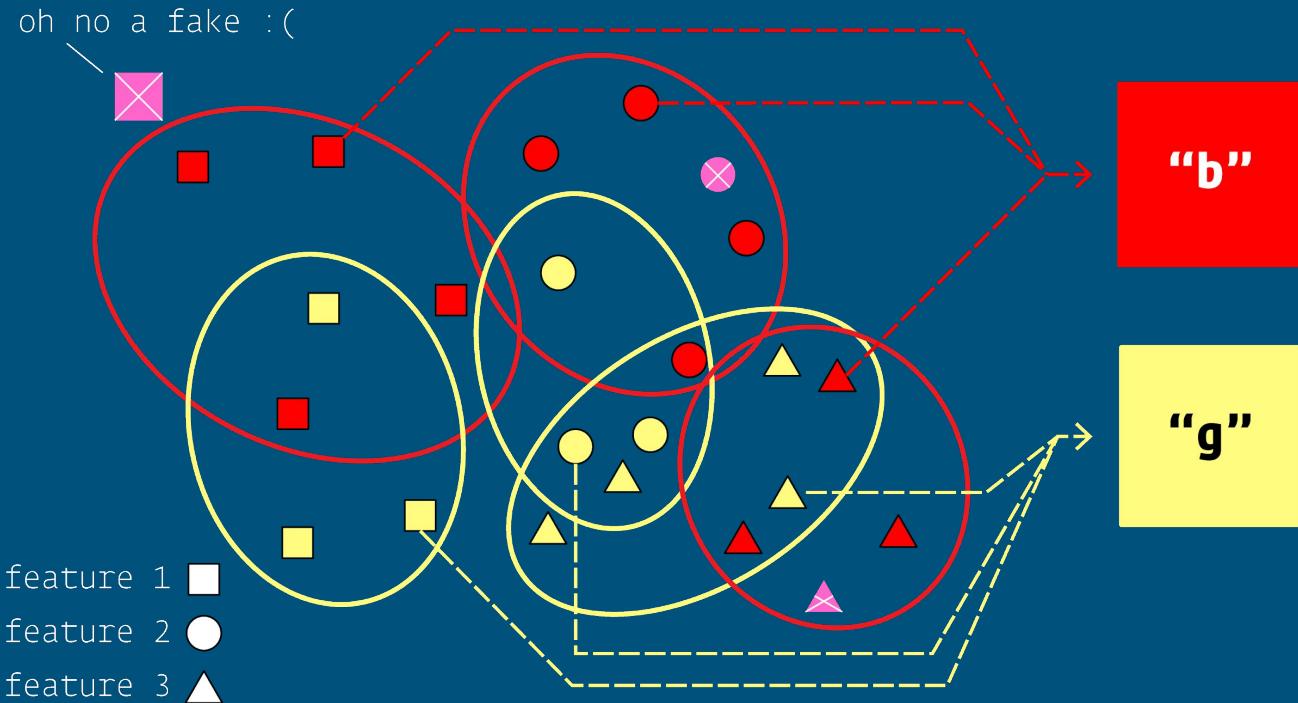
Inhibition 'forbids' some state transitions to steer computation



Detecting deep fakes like the brain?

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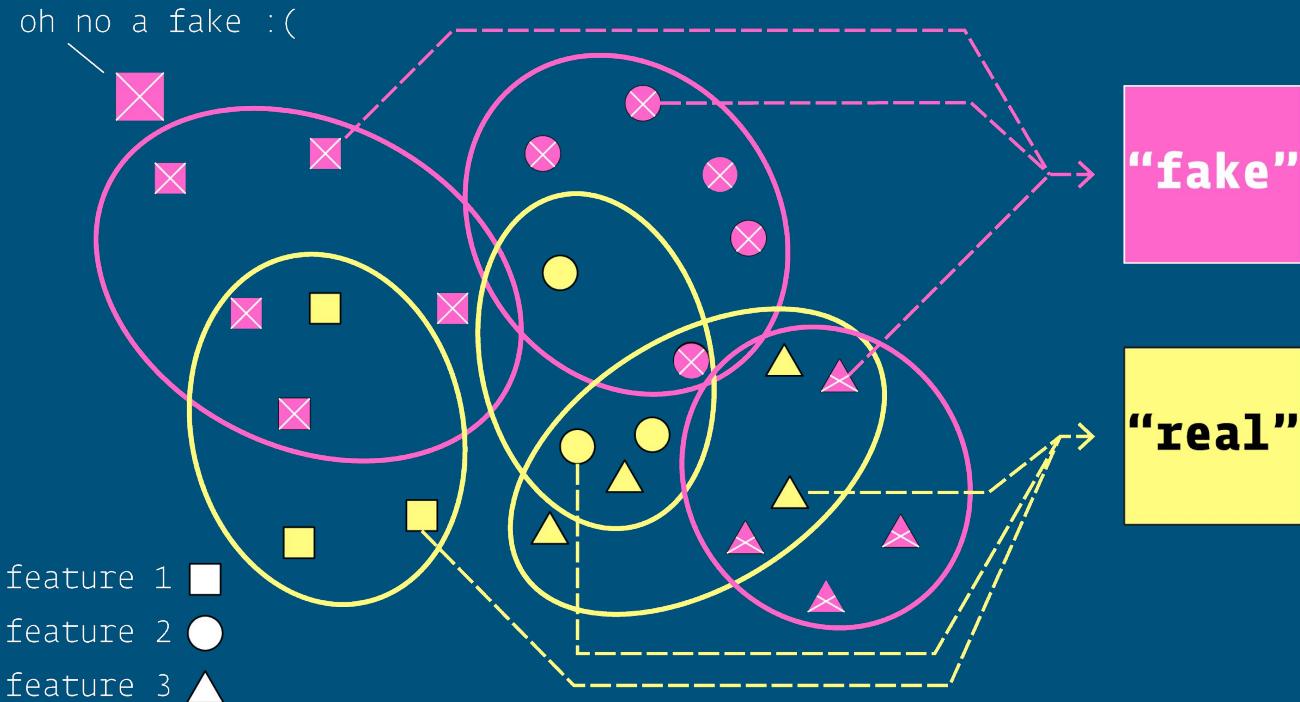
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