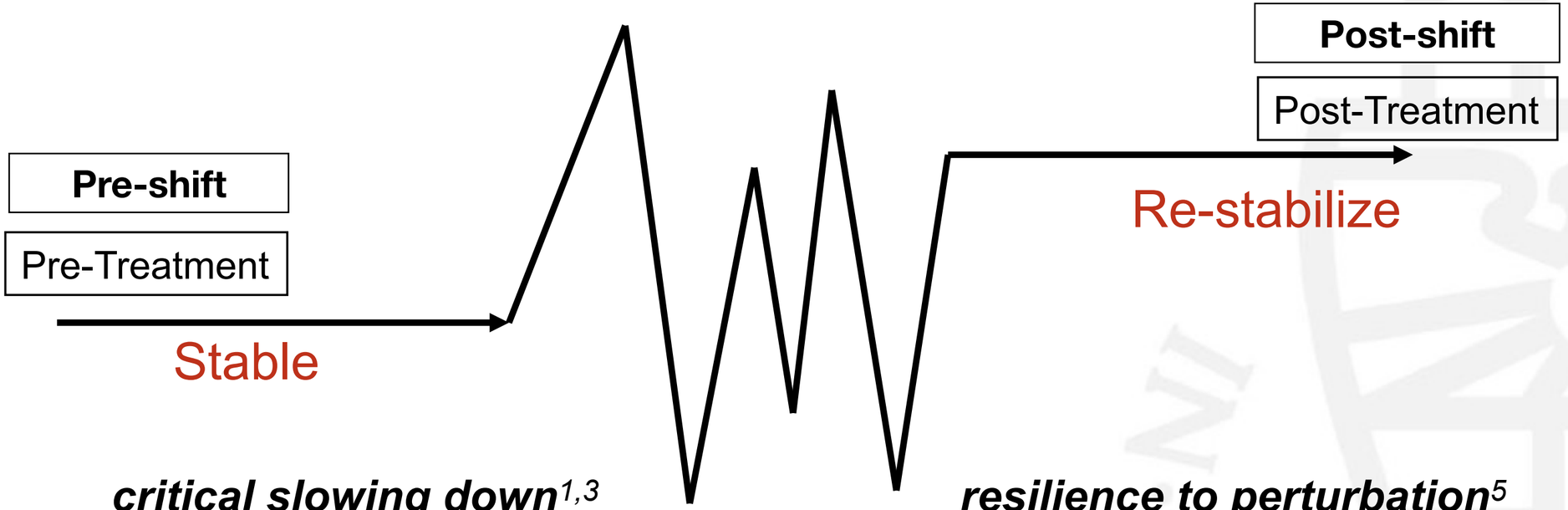
Period of Destabilization



critical slowing down[1,3] ***resilience to perturbation***[5]

critical fluctuations[3,4]

- increase in recovery and switching time after perturbation
- increase in variance, autocorrelation, long-range dependence
- increase in occurrence and diversity of unstable states
- increase in the entropy of the distribution of state occurrences

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