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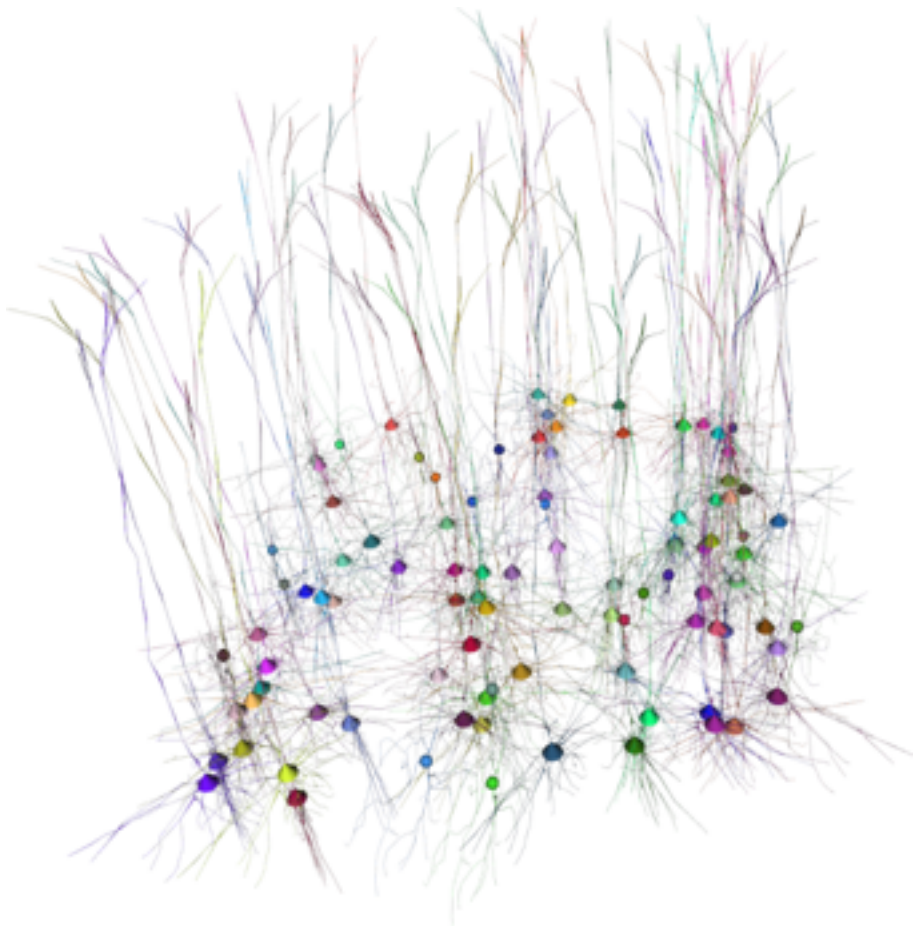
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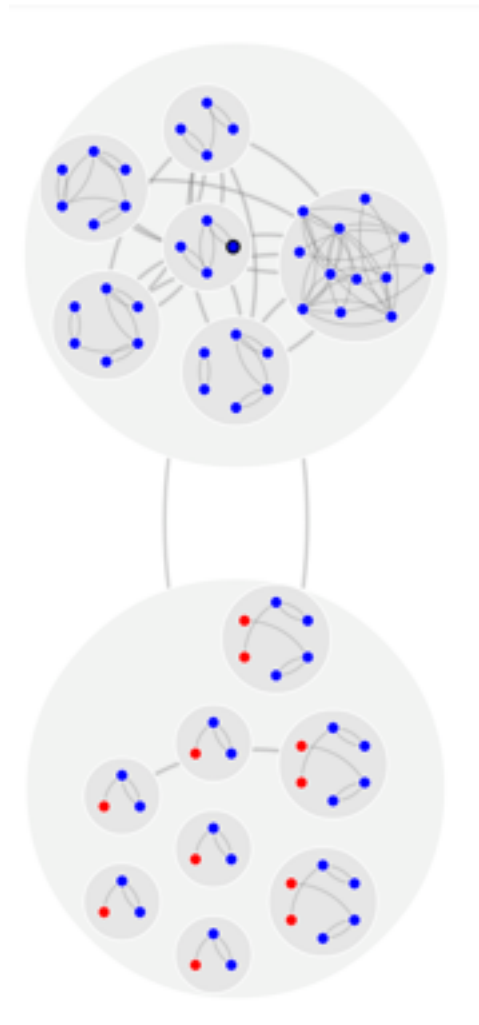
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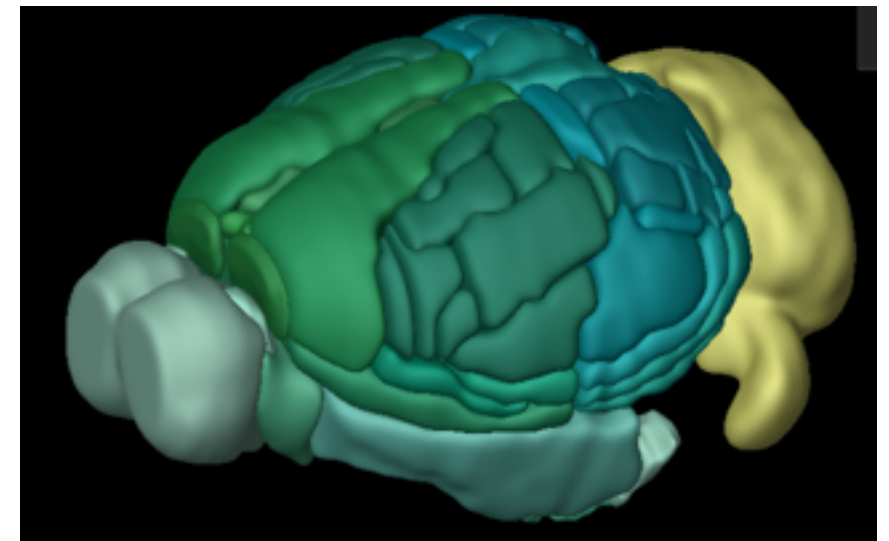
Three Levels of Abstraction



**Biophysically detailed
models**



Point-neuron models



Population-statistic models



Overview

- Introduction
- **Allen Cell Types Database** (<http://celltypes.brain-map.org/>)
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Goal: characterize, in a systematic and standardized fashion, Neurons in the mouse LGN and V1:

- Intrinsic electrophysiology
- Neuron morphology
- Point-neuron models: hierarchy of GLIF parameterization
- Biophysically detailed computational models

Comprehensive whitepapers available online

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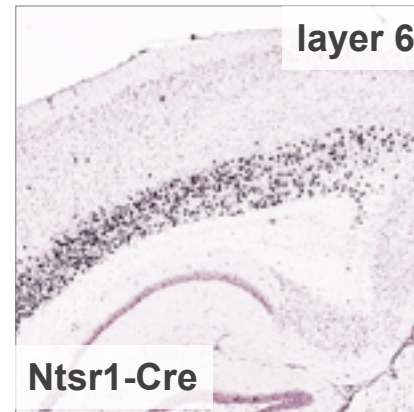
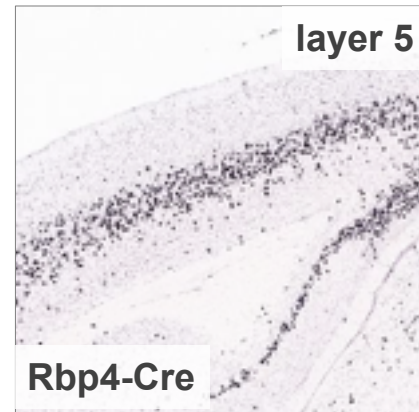
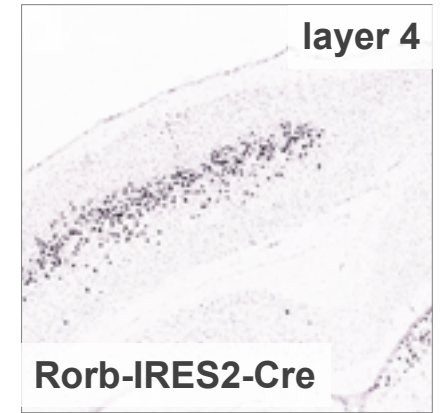
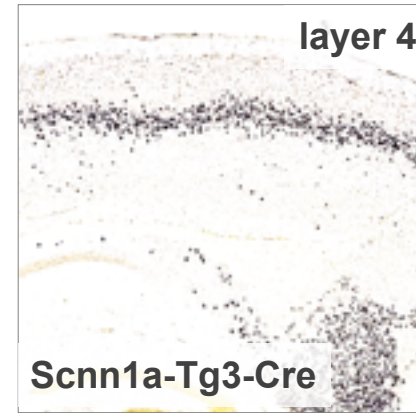
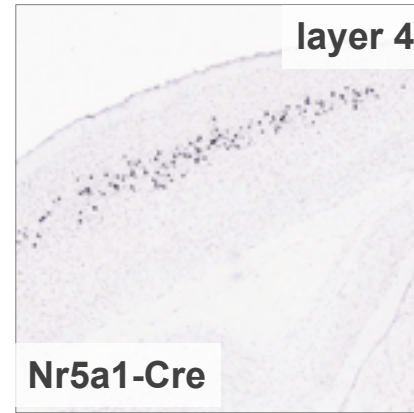
Cell Positions in Common Coordinate Framework

Summary of Cell Characteristics
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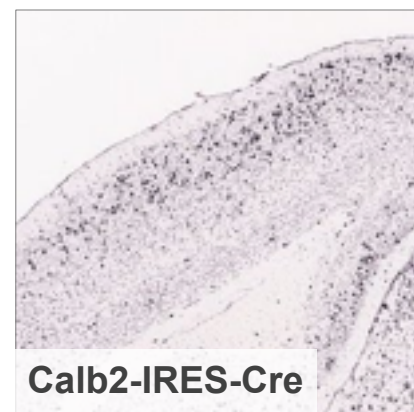
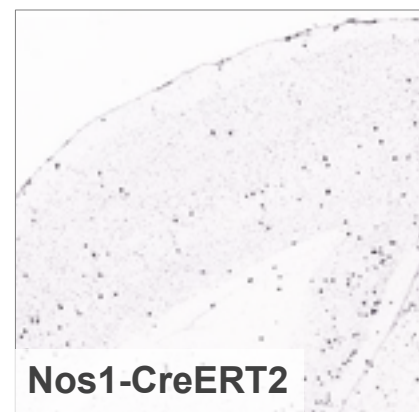
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Genetic Markers via Cre Lines

Excitatory neurons



Inhibitory neurons



Cre-drive/LoxP (floxed) reporter Recombinase Binary System:

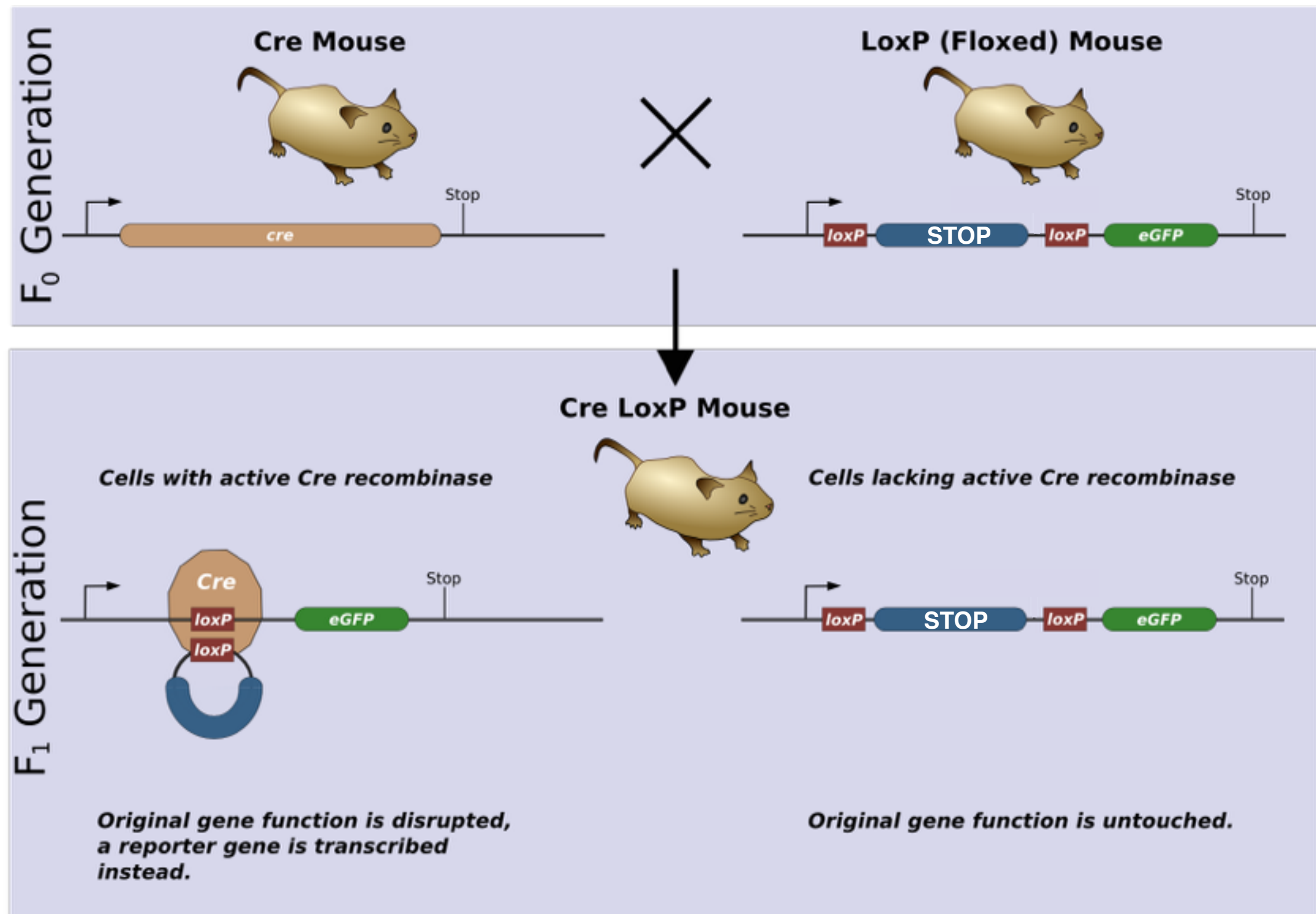


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Electrophysiology Protocol

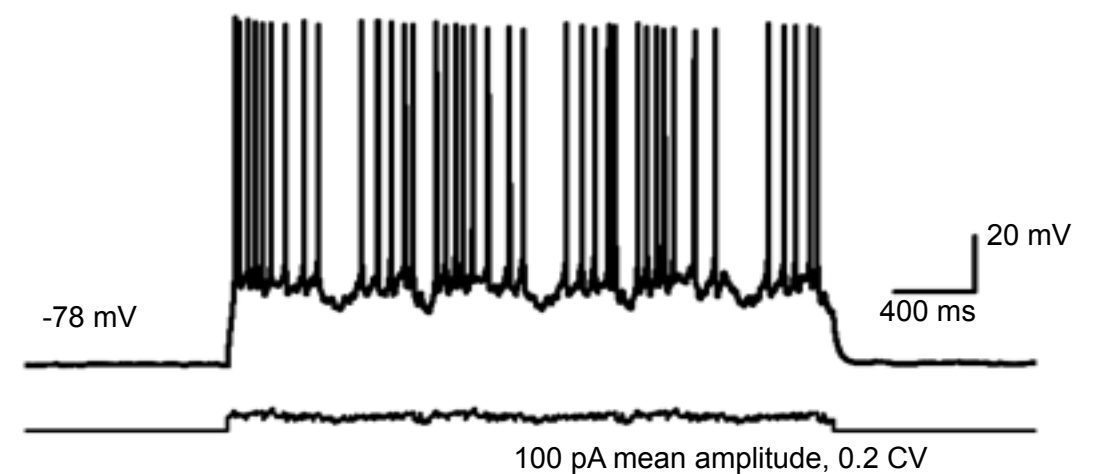
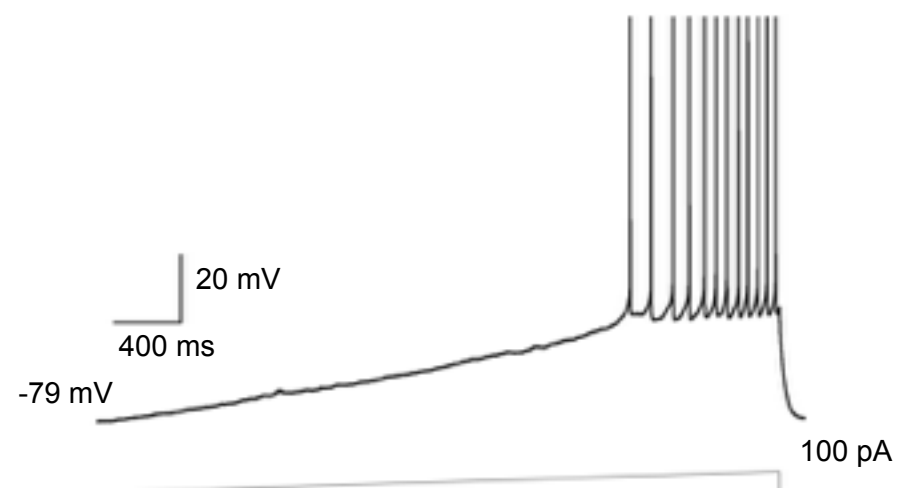
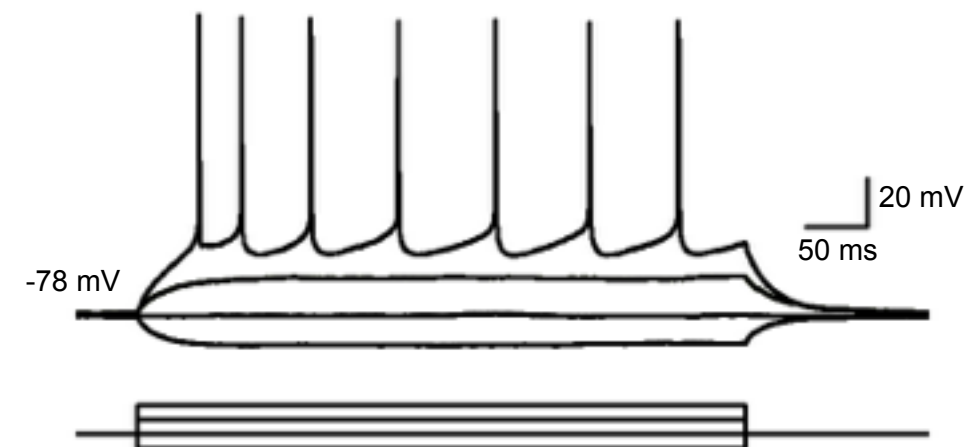
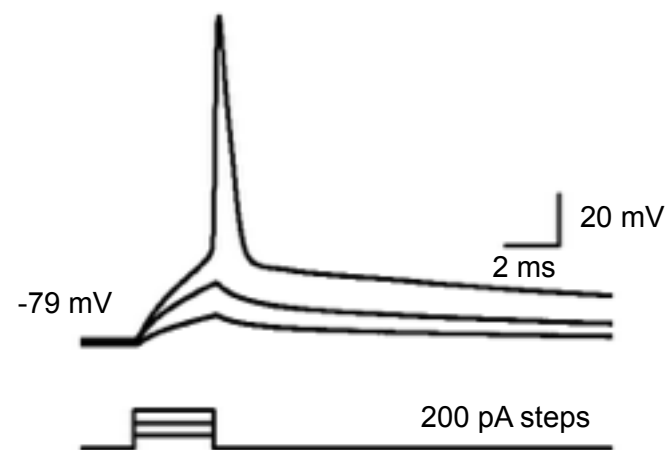


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threshold

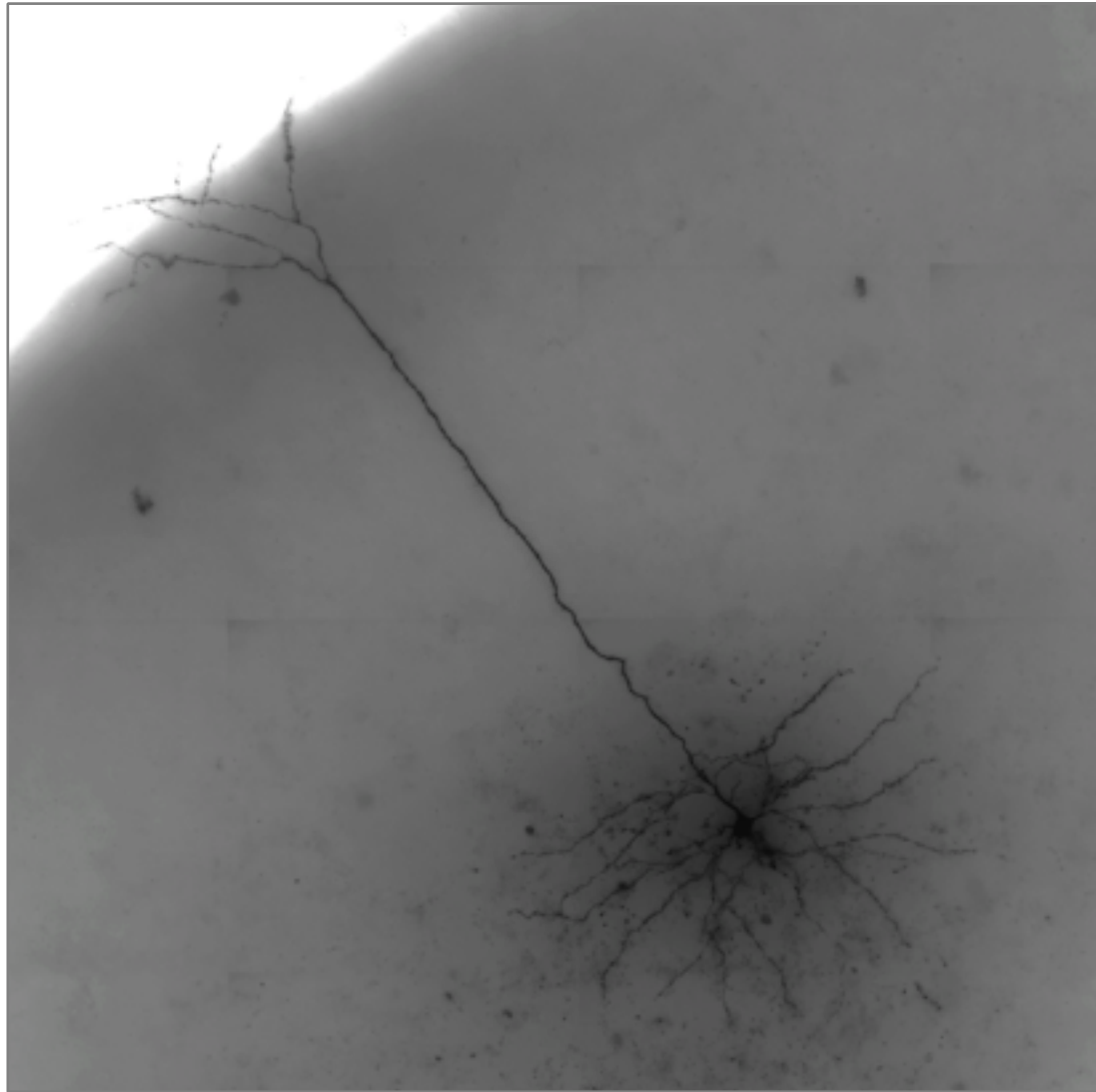
Adaptive
threshold

Subthreshold, Rheobase &
Suprathreshold

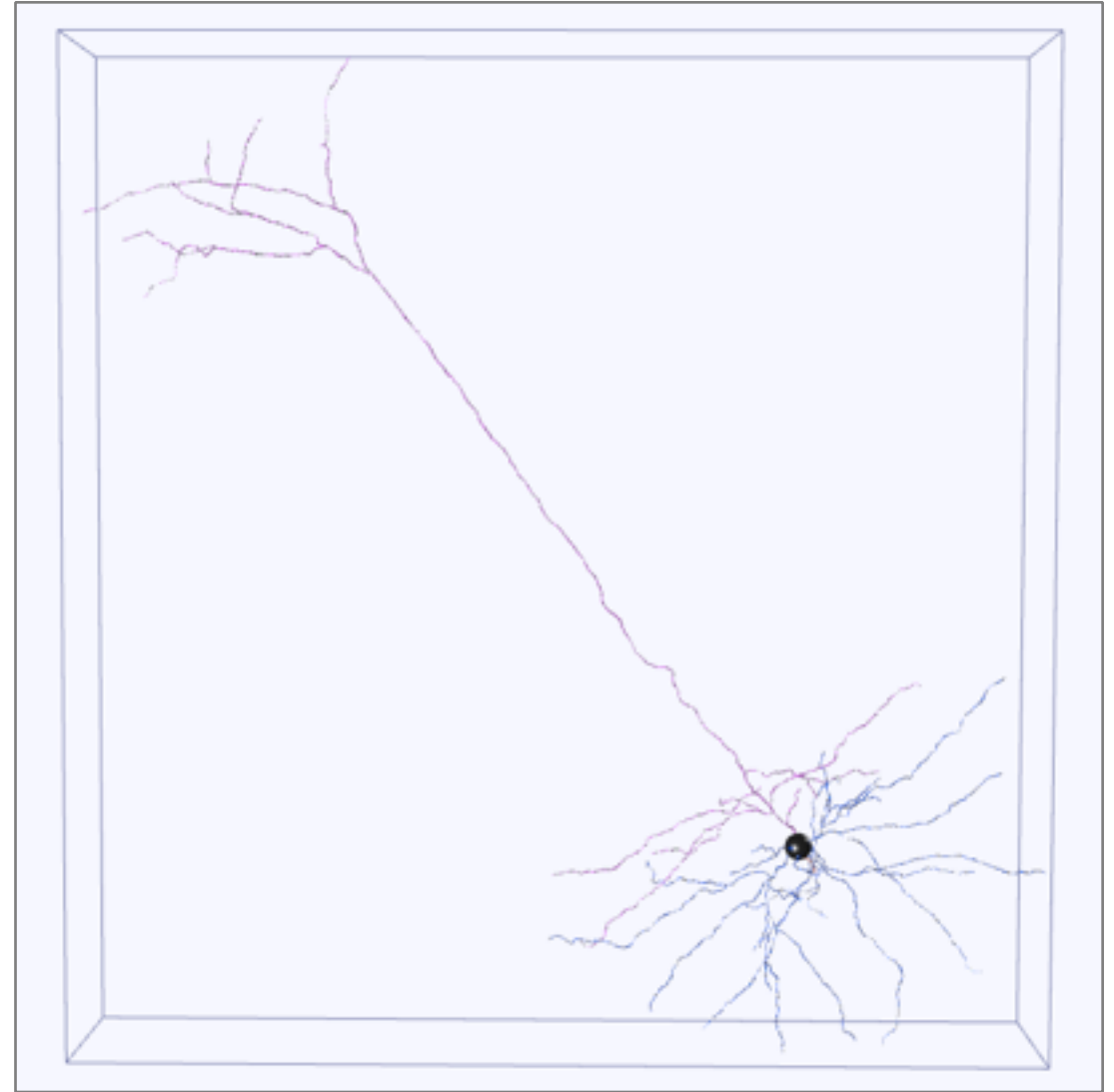
Naturalistic
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Reconstruction of Morphologies



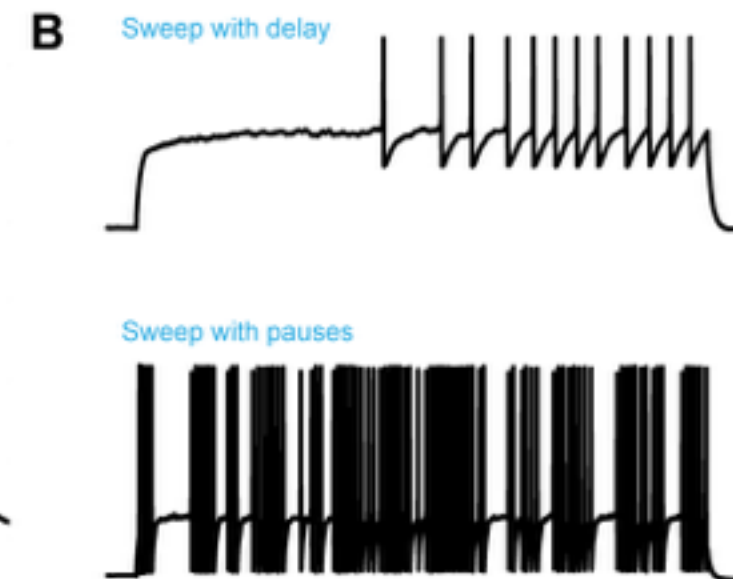
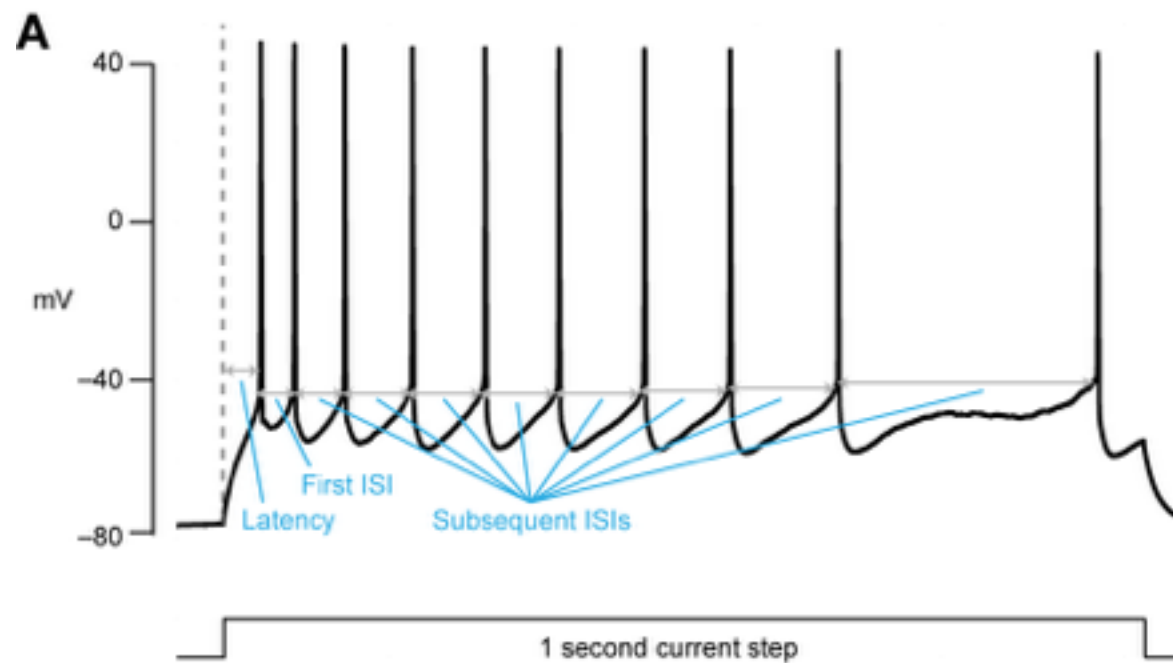
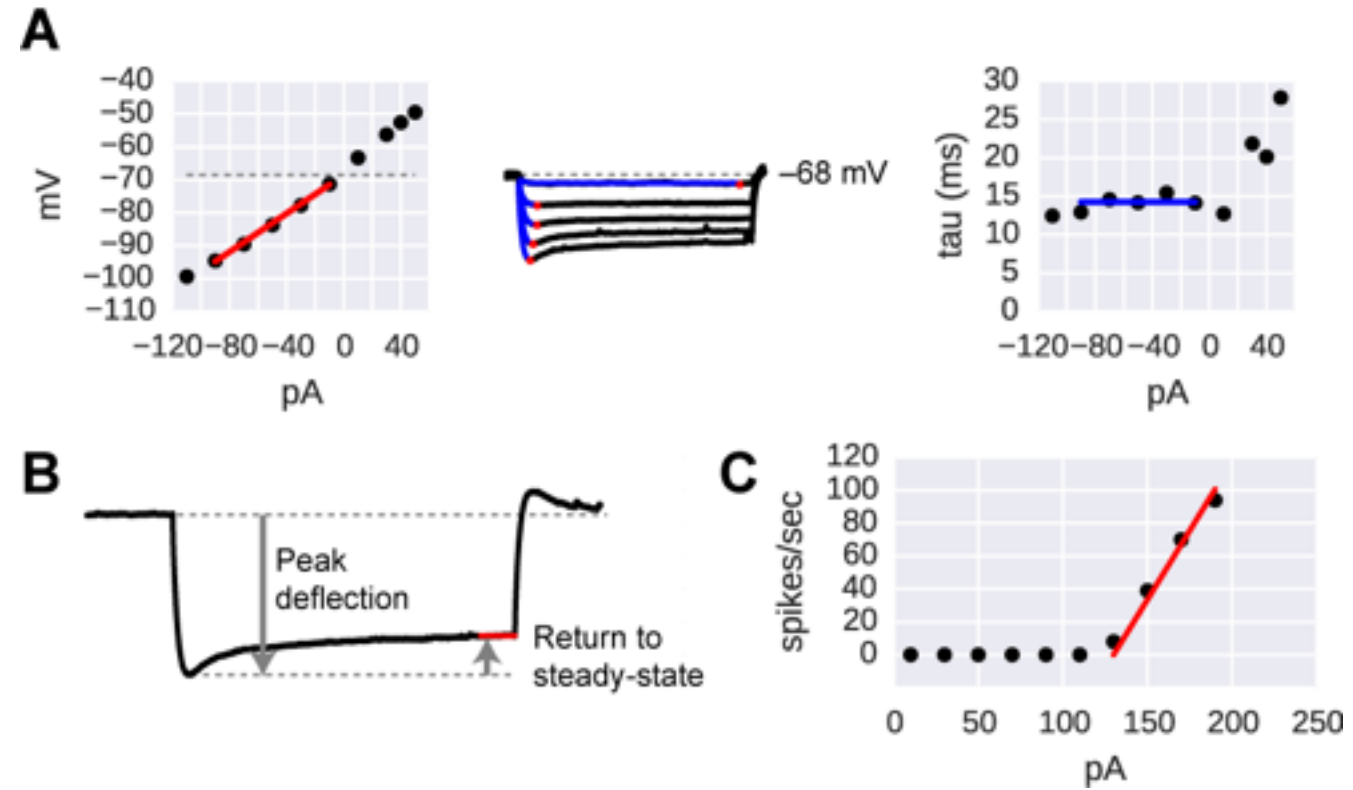
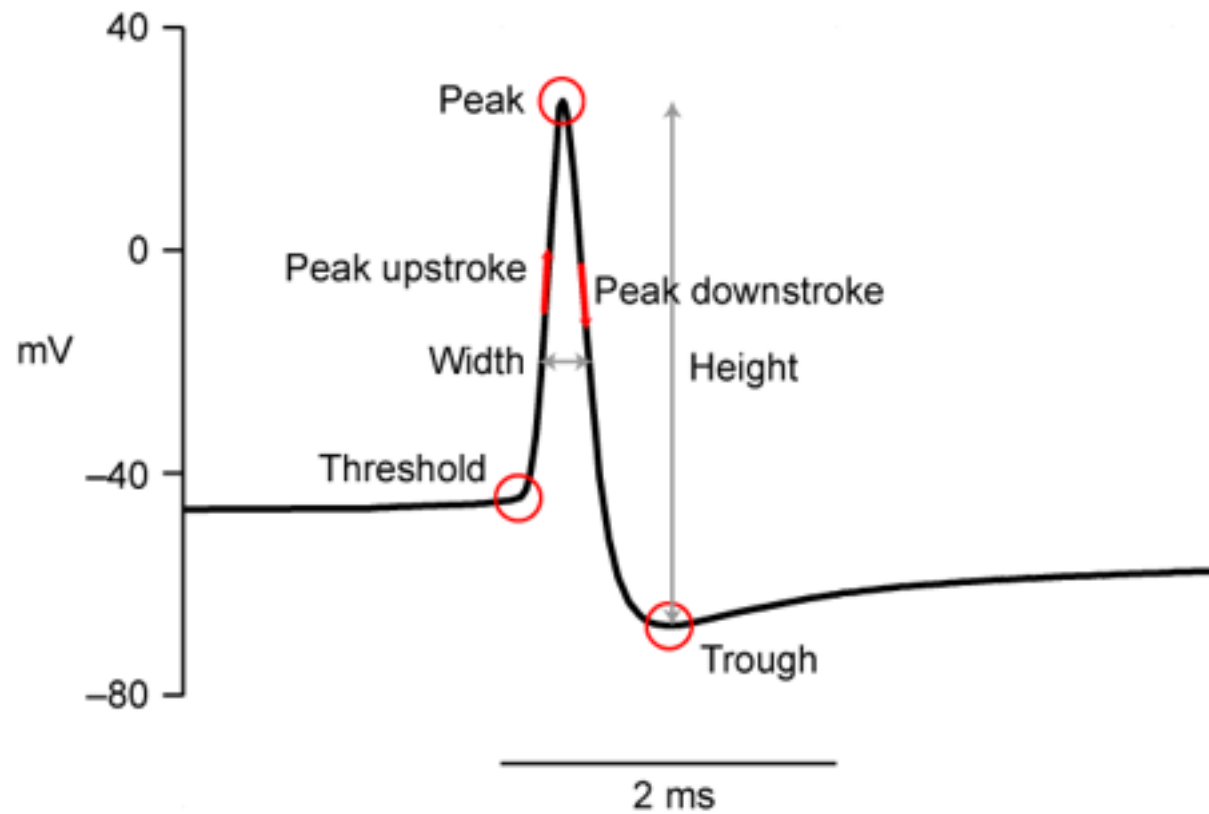
Staining and imaging of
biocytin-filled cell



Enhancement of image and
auto-trace, followed by
manual curation



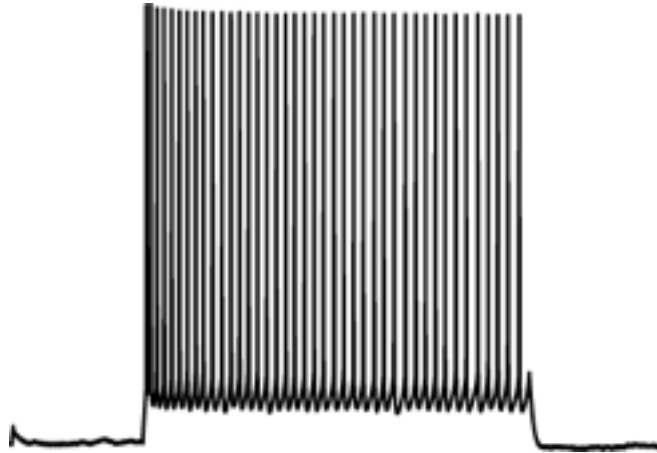
Electrophysiological Features



From Slice Data to Neuronal Models

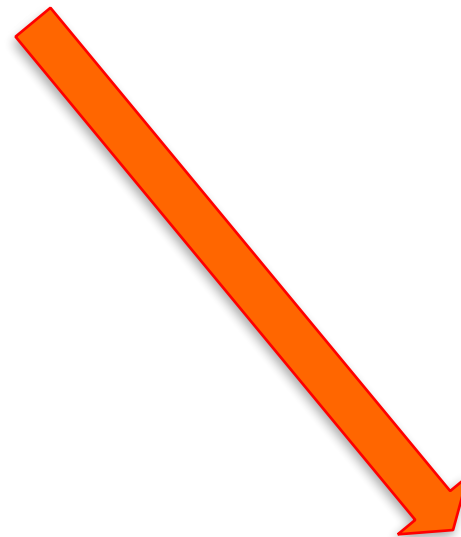
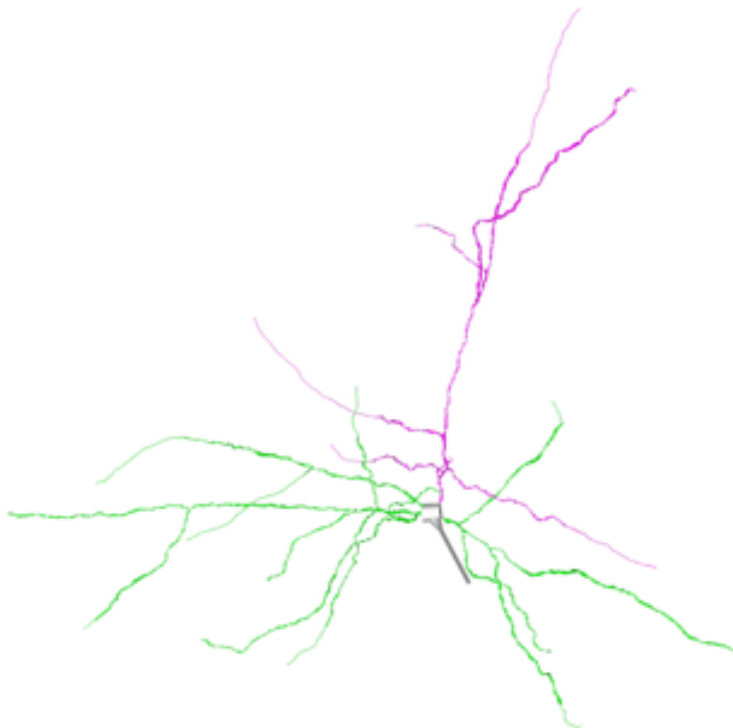
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Electrophysiology

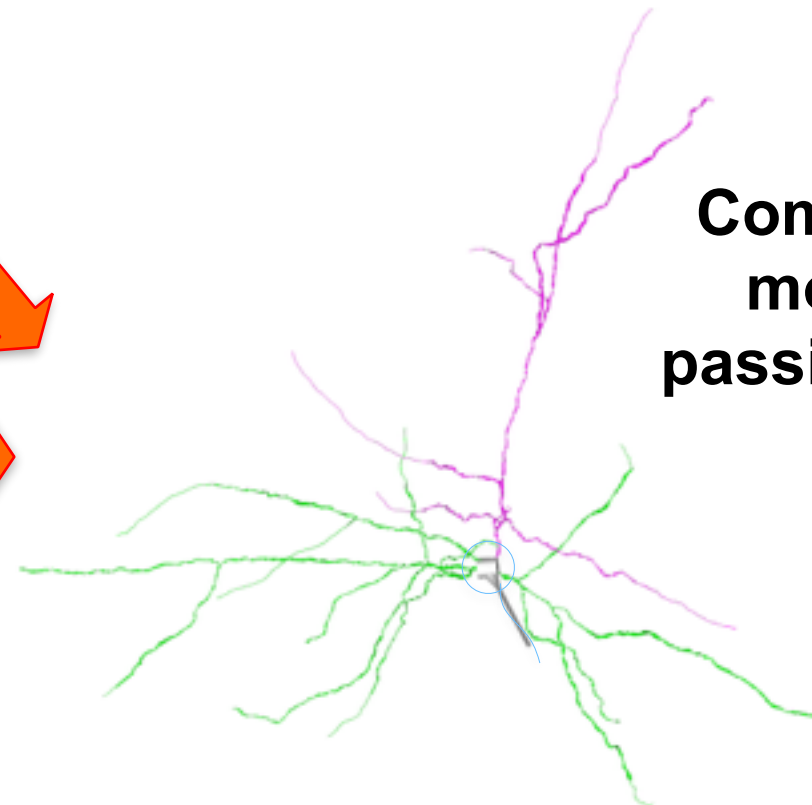


**Point models
(GLIF)**

Morphology



**Compartmental
models with
passive dendrites**

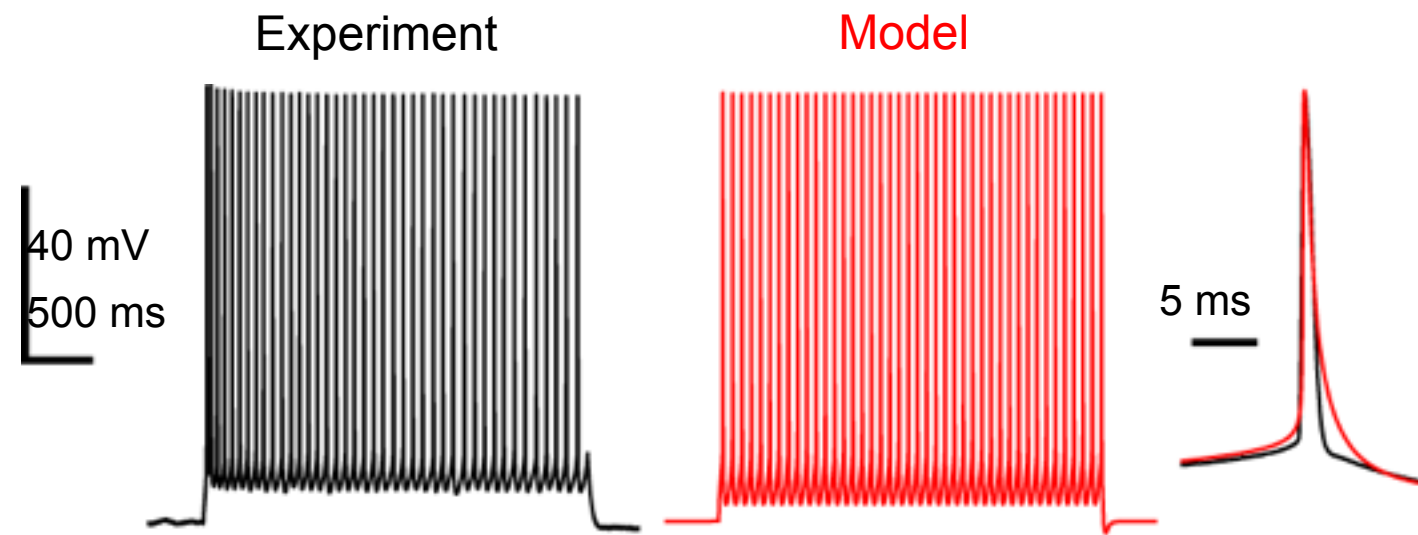


Database Statistics

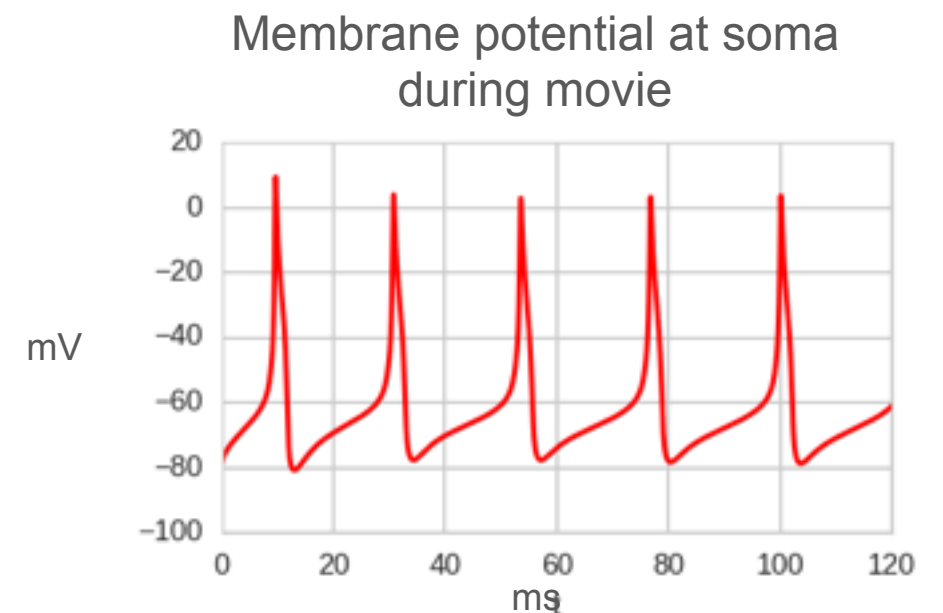
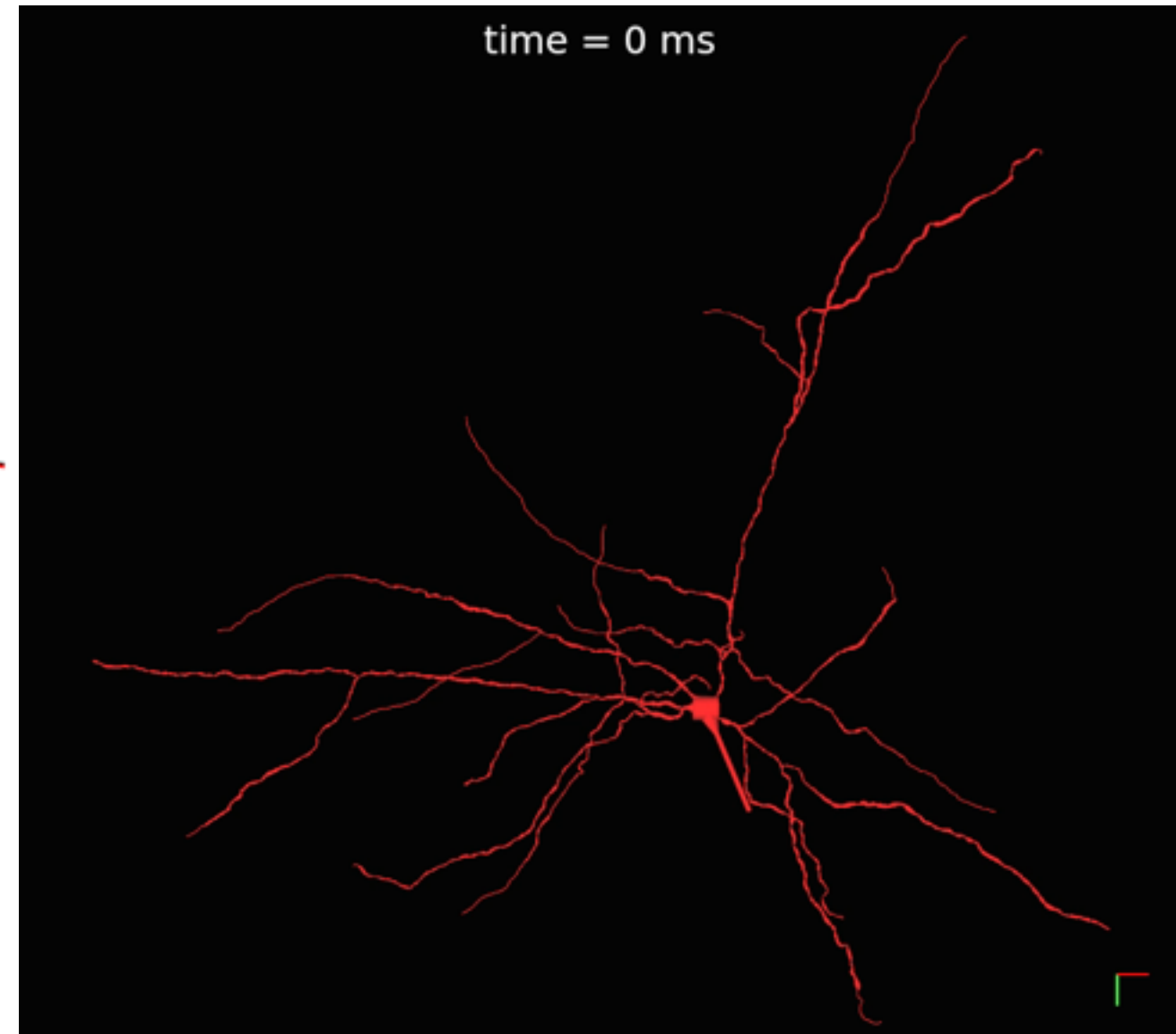
Cre Line	Excitatory / Inhibitory (Expected)	Dominant Layers	Ephys Recordings	Morphology Reconstruction	GLIF Models	Biophysical Models
<i>Rorb-IRES2-Cre</i>	<i>Excitatory</i>	4, 5	31	5	19	5
<i>Scnn1a-Tg2-Cre</i>	<i>Excitatory</i>	4	17	6	8	5
<i>Scnn1a-Tg3-Cre</i>	<i>Excitatory</i>	4, 5	36	8	17	7
<i>Nr5a1-Cre</i>	<i>Excitatory</i>	4	30	12	19	9
<i>Rbp4-Cre_KL100</i>	<i>Excitatory</i>	5	12	4	7	2
<i>Ntsr1-Cre</i>	<i>Excitatory</i>	6, 6b	8	3	7	1
<i>Sst-IRES-Cre</i>	<i>Inhibitory</i>	2/3, 4, 5, 6	36	11	16	7
<i>Pvalb-IRES-Cre</i>	<i>Inhibitory</i>	2/3, 4, 5, 6	51	18	9	9
<i>Htr3a-Cre_NO152</i>	<i>Inhibitory</i>	1, 2/3, 4, 5, 6, 6b	15	4	9	2
<i>Gad2-IRES-Cre</i>	<i>Inhibitory</i>	1, 2/3, 4, 5, 6, 6b	12	2	2	2



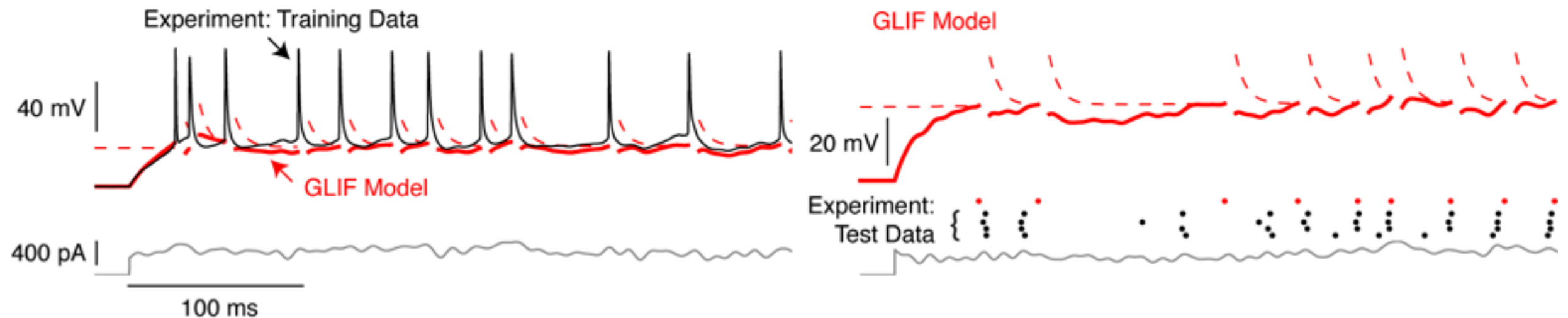
Biophysical Models of Single Cells



- Ephys data and morphology from the same cell recorded in slices
- ~10 active conductances placed at soma
- Optimization via a genetic algorithm (Druckmann et al., 2007; Hay et al. 2011)
- Fitness assessed by comparing electrophysiological features of responses to current steps
- Good performance on global features (firing frequency, AP height, etc.), less so with AP shape



GLIF Models of Single Cells



- Point neuron model (no morphology)
- Responses defined by abstracted mathematical expressions that represent membrane voltage, action potential threshold, etc.
- Optimized to match spike times in training data consisting of firing in response to noisy current injection
- Quality of fit assessed by how well model explains the variance in spike times from responses to another noisy current stimulus
- Five types of GLIF models are present in the database with varying levels of complexity
 - LIF
 - LIF with decaying threshold and reset rule
 - LIF with after-spike currents
 - LIF, decaying threshold *and* ASC's
 - LIF, adapting threshold, reset, and ASC's



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Goal: Python code for reading and processing AIBS data:

- Cell Types database API
 - Morphology (SWC files)
 - Ephys data (Neurodata without borders, i.e. HDF5)
 - Code to run GLIF and biophysically detailed models
- Allen Brain Atlas API

The screenshot shows the Allen Brain Atlas Software Development Kit (SDK) website. The header includes 'ALLEN INSTITUTE' and 'BRAIN ATLAS'. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- CONTENTS**: A list of links including 'Install Guide', 'Data Resources' (with sub-links for 'Cell Types' and 'API Access'), 'Models' (with sub-links for 'Generalized LIF' and 'Perisomatic Biophysical'), 'Source Documentation' (with sub-links for 'allensdk.api package', 'allensdk.config package', 'allensdk.core package', and 'allensdk.model package'), and 'Github Profile'.
- WELCOME TO THE ALLEN SDK**: A paragraph stating that the Allen Software Development Kit houses source code for reading and processing Allen Brain Atlas data, focusing primarily on the newly released Allen Cell Types Database.
- ALLEN CELL TYPES DATABASE**: A section describing the database's contents, including electrophysiological and morphological characterizations of individual neurons. It mentions that the Allen SDK provides Python code for accessing electrophysiology measurements (NWB files) and morphological reconstructions (SWC files). It also lists two classes of models: 'Perisomatic Biophysical Models' and 'Generalized LIF Models'.
- QUICK SEARCH**: A search bar with a 'Go' button and a prompt to 'Enter search terms or a module, class or function name'.
- DEVELOPER DOCUMENTATION**: A section with a link to the 'Module Index' for inline source code documentation.

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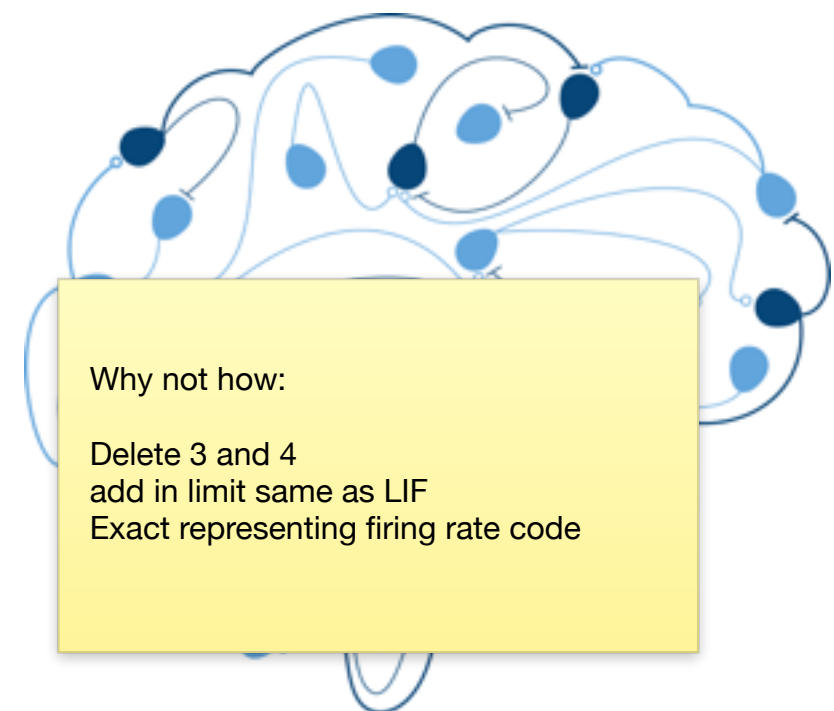
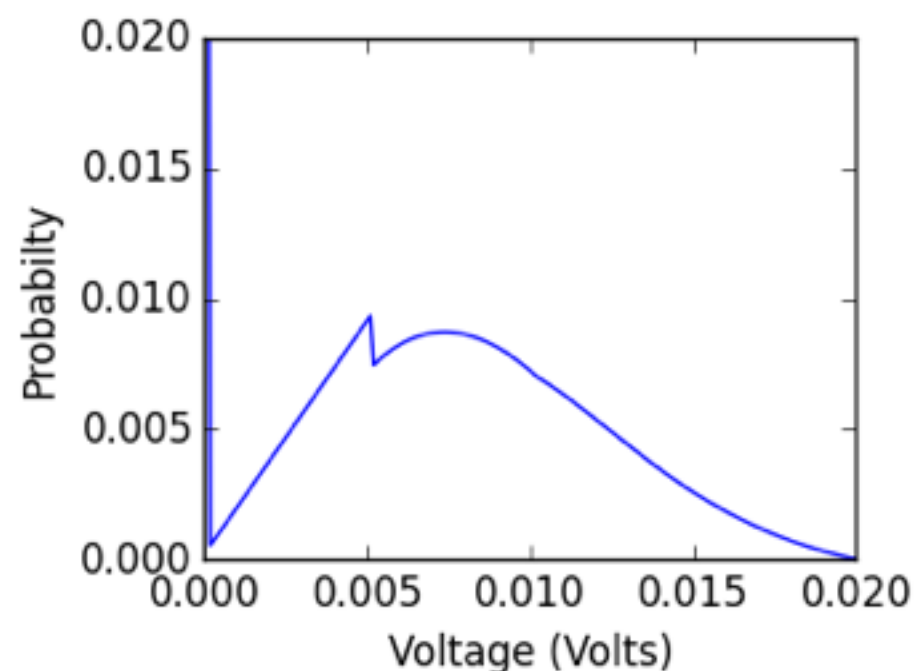
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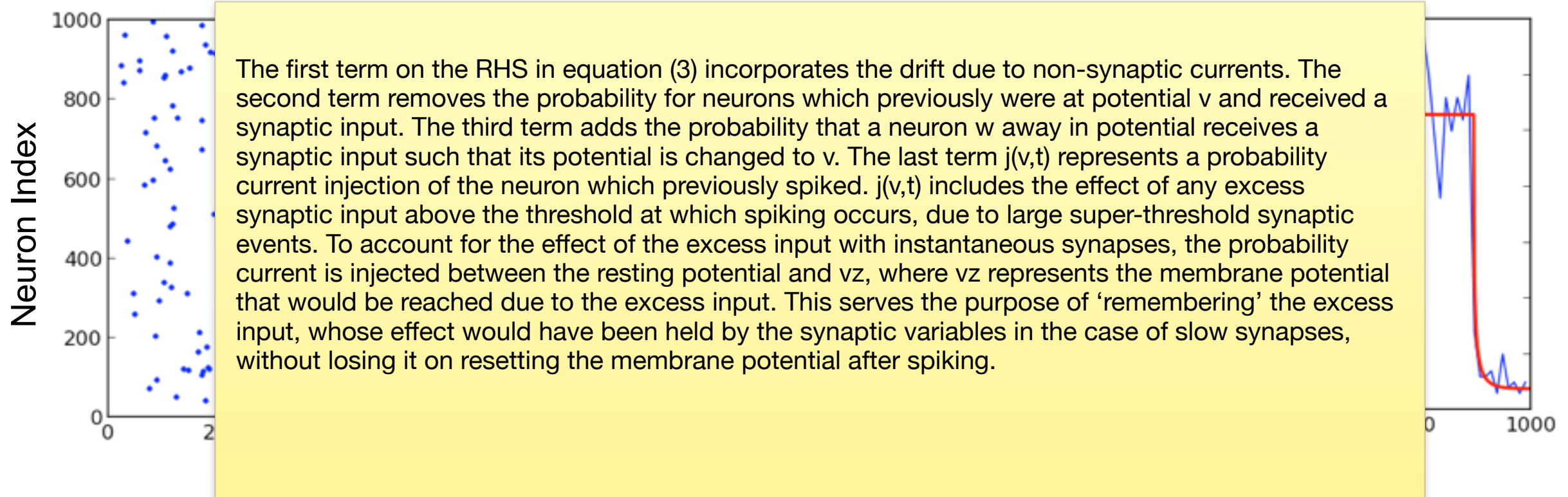
Goal: Provide a fast, flexible, python-based population statistic simulator for coarse-scale modeling

- Solve coupled population density equations
- Absorbing boundary condition at threshold
- Same mean firing rate as LIF population as N increases
- Exact when representing, ex., firing rate code



DiPDE: (<http://alleninstitute.github.io/dipde/>)

N = 1000 LIF neurons



$$\partial_t p(v, t) = \partial_v (L(v)p(v, t)) - f(t)p(v, t) + f(t) \int_{w_1}^{w_2} p(v - w, t)q(w)H(\theta - v + w)dw + j(v, t)$$

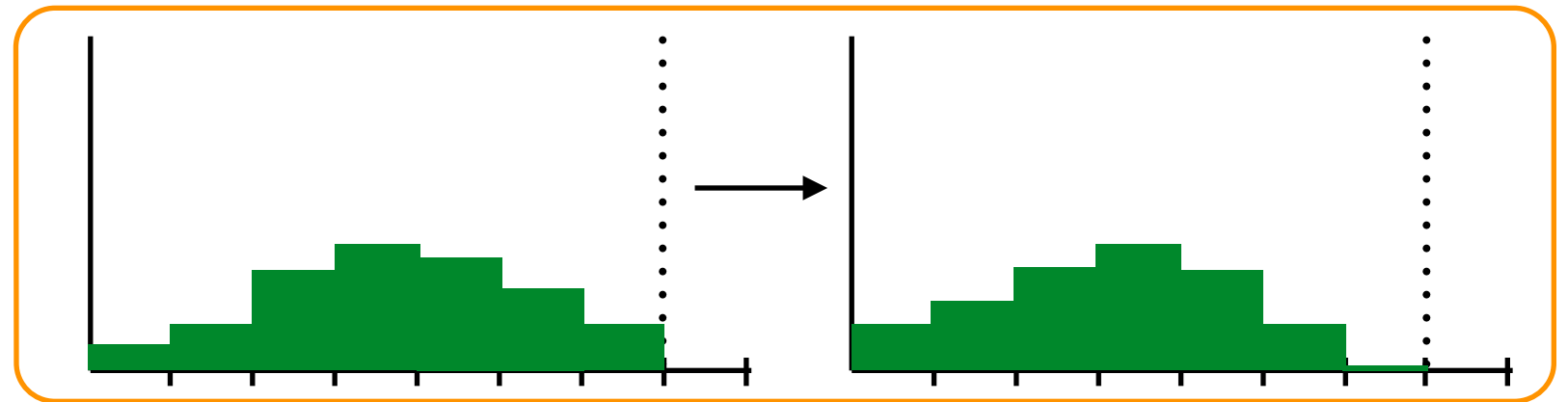
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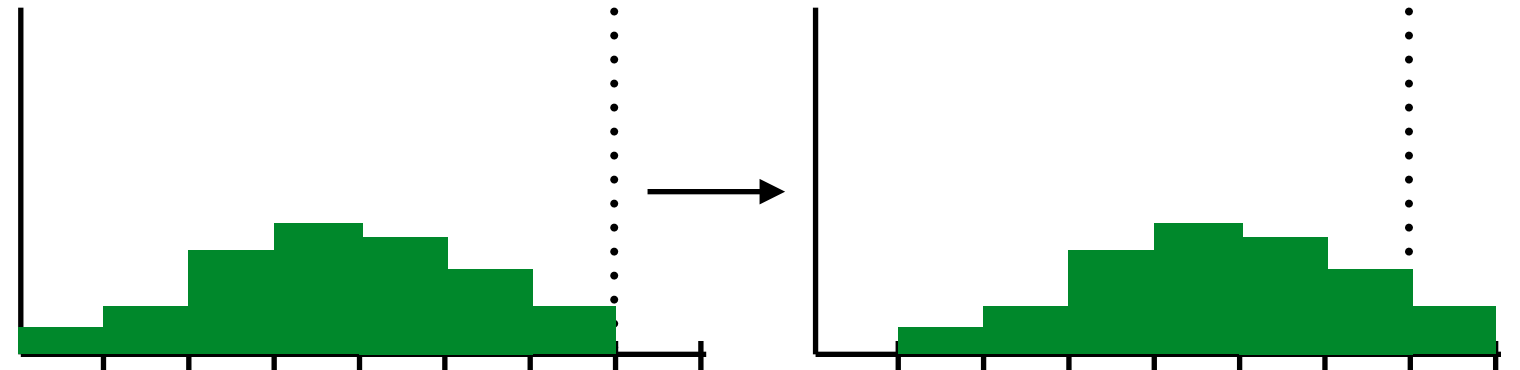
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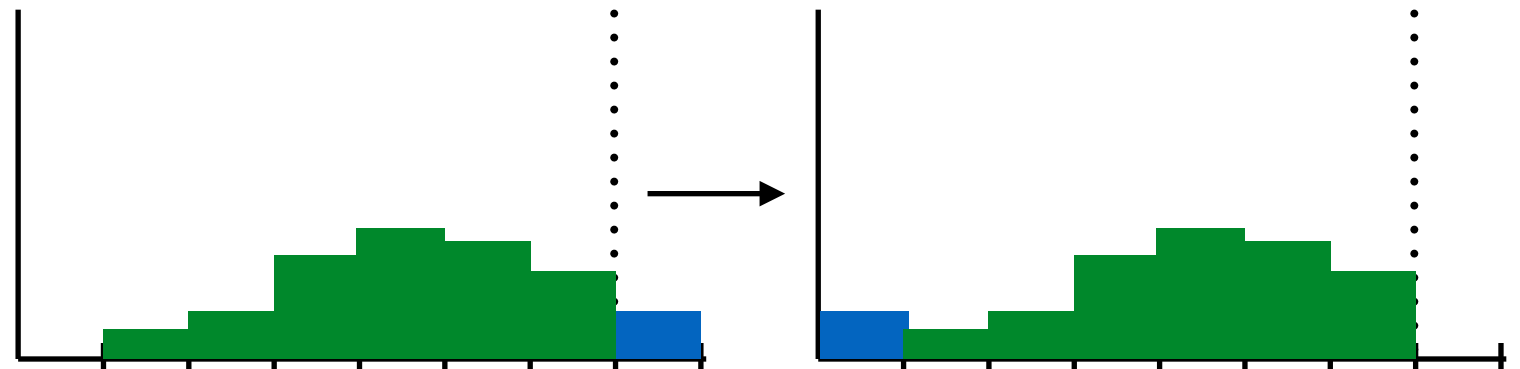
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Synaptic Activation:



Thresholding:

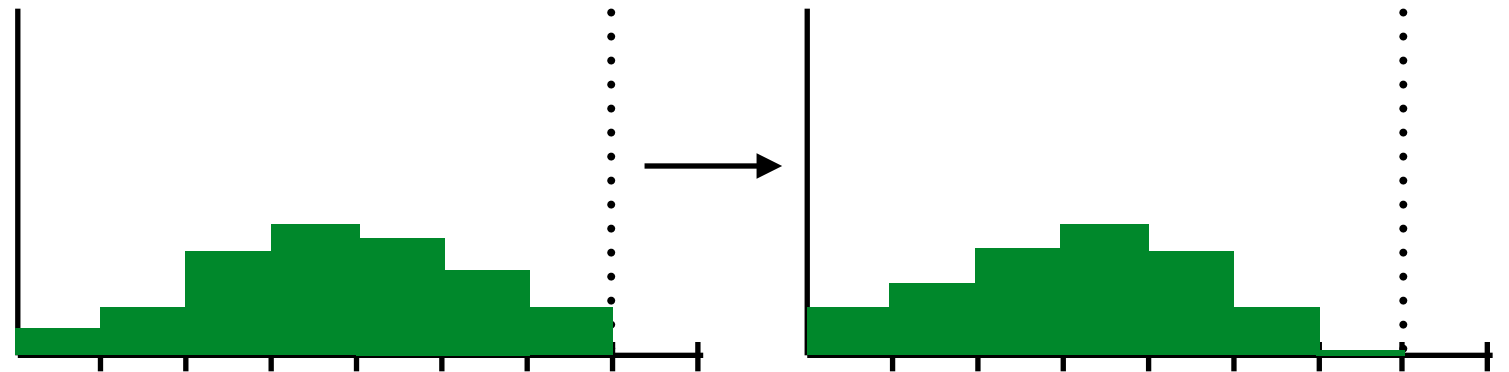


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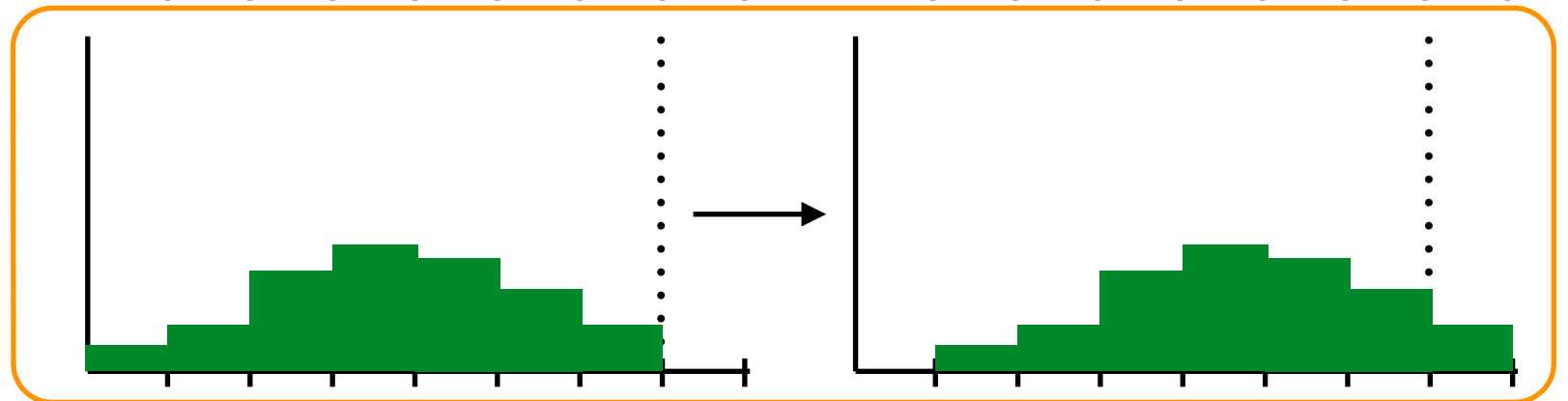
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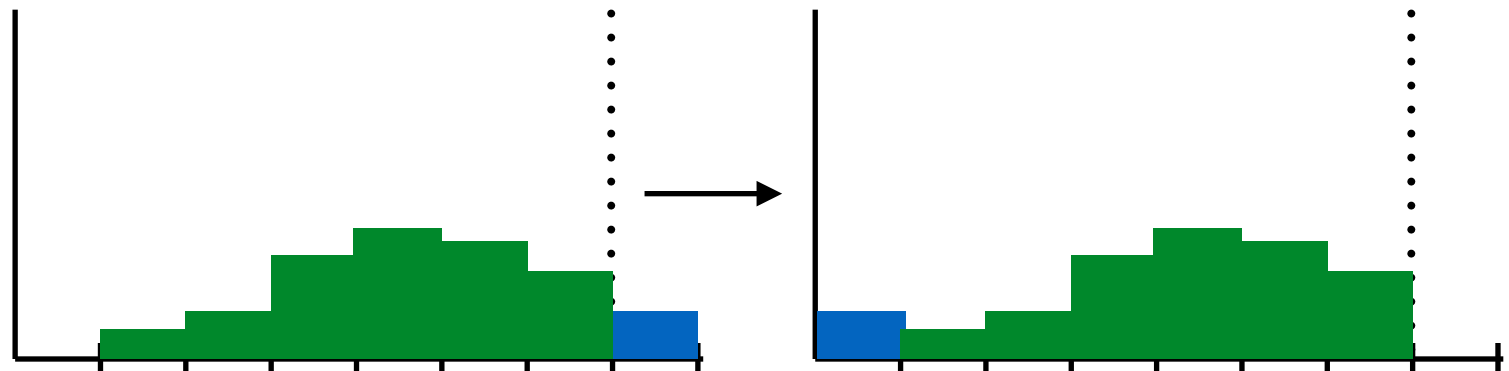
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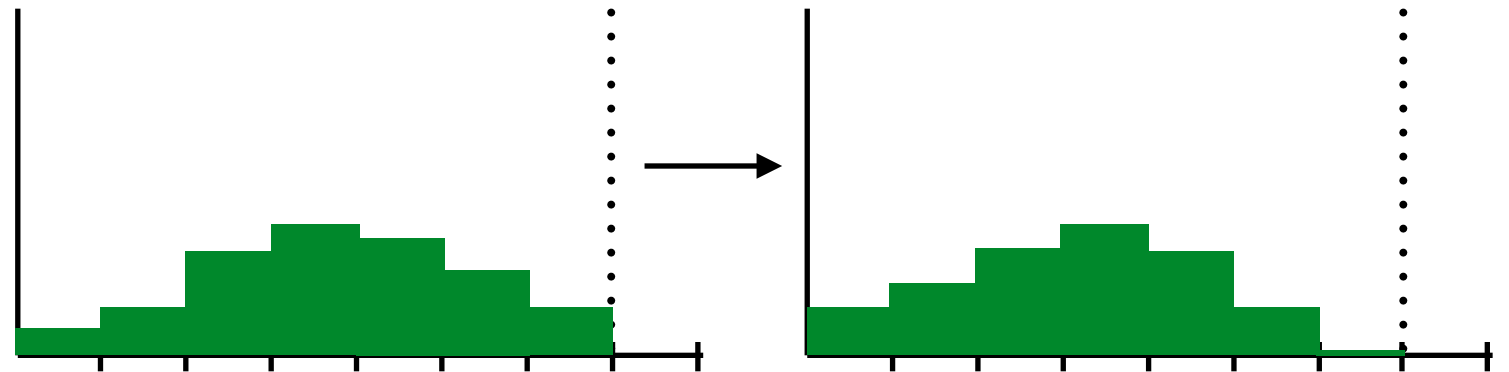


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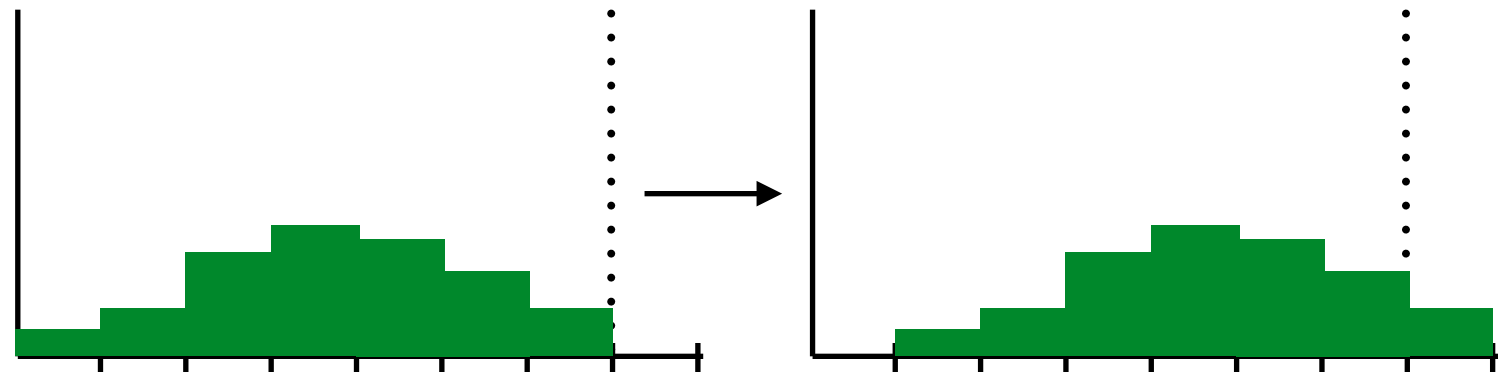
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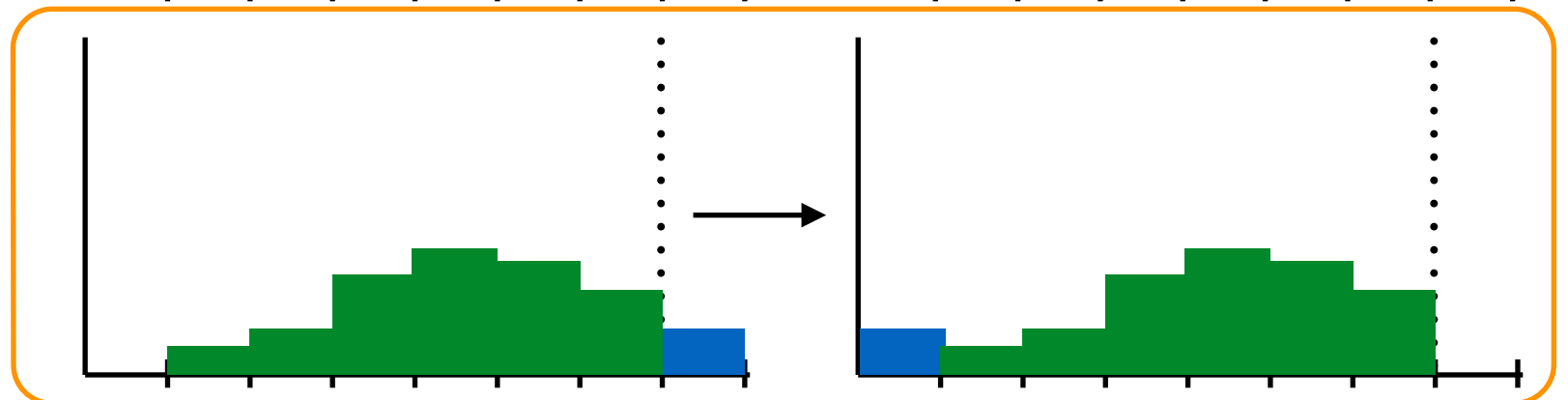
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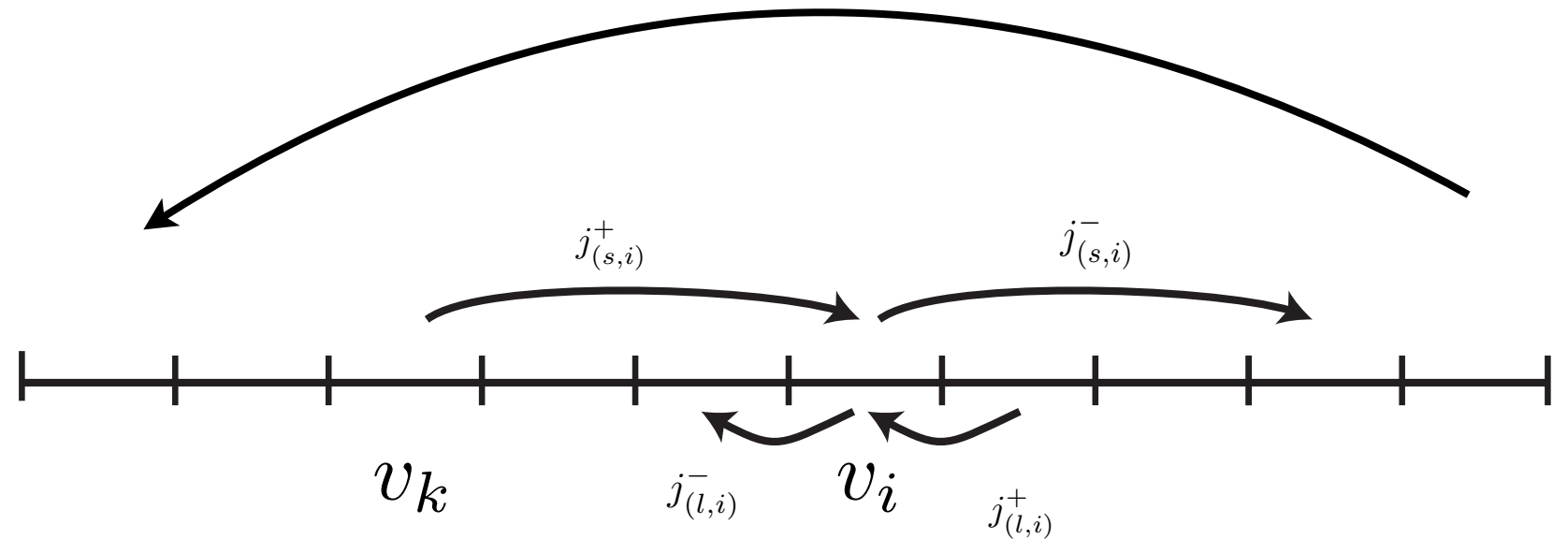


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$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial J}{\partial v}$$



$$\frac{\partial p_i}{\partial t} = -\frac{\Delta J_i}{\Delta v_i}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta J_i &= f_{i+\frac{1}{2}} - f_{i-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= (j_{(s,i)}^- - j_{(l,i)}^+) - (j_{(s,i)}^+ - j_{(l,i)}^-).\end{aligned}$$

$$j_{(s,i)}^+ = p_k \Delta v_k \lambda_{in}(t)$$

$$j_{(s,i)}^- = p_i \Delta v_i \lambda_{in}(t)$$

$$j_{(l,i)}^+ = \frac{p_{i+1} v_{i+\frac{1}{2}}}{\tau}$$

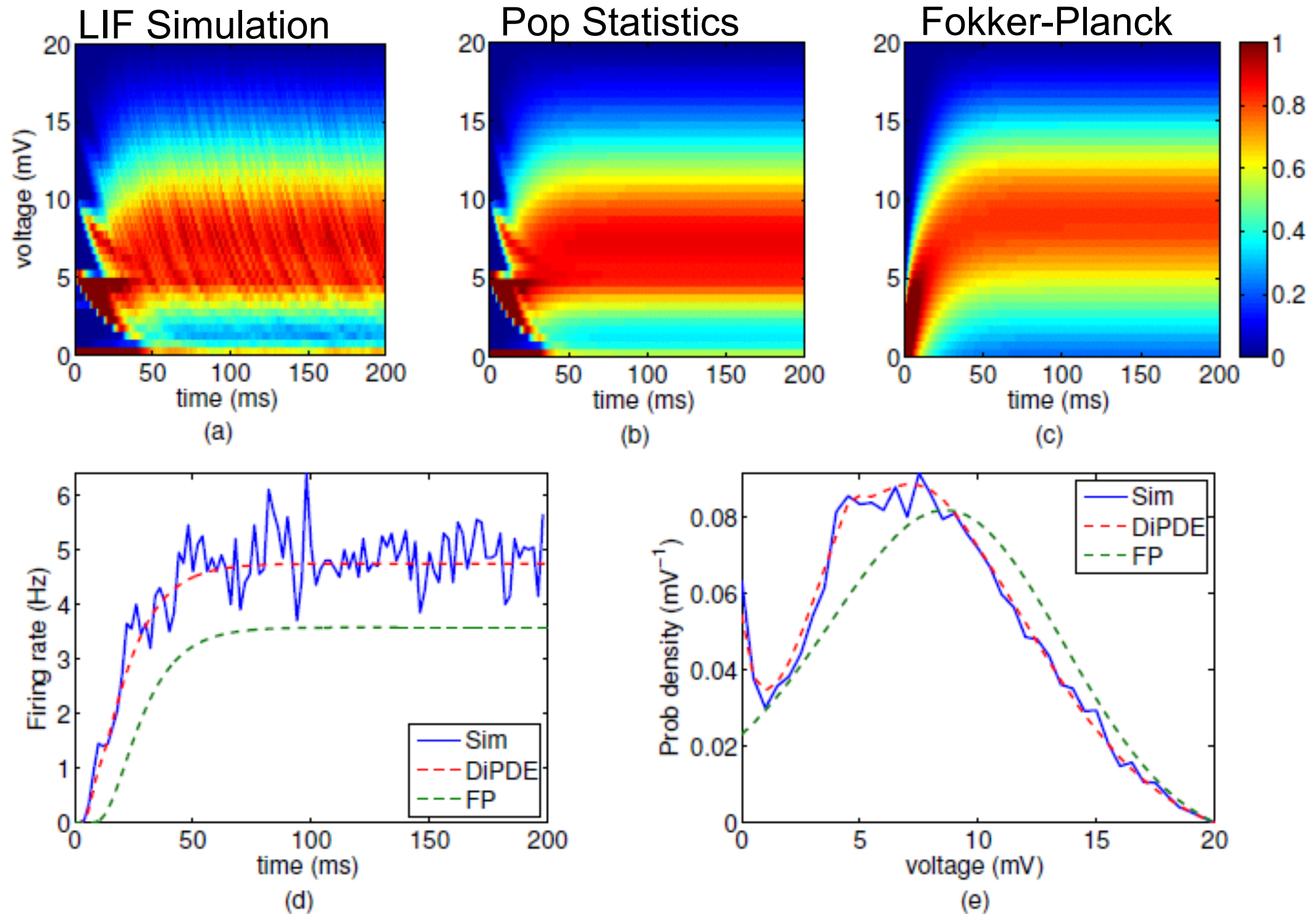
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$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = (L + S)\mathbf{p}$$

$$\mathbf{p}(t + \Delta t) = \exp \left(\Delta t \left(L + \sum_{s=0}^m S_s \right) \right) \mathbf{p}(t)$$

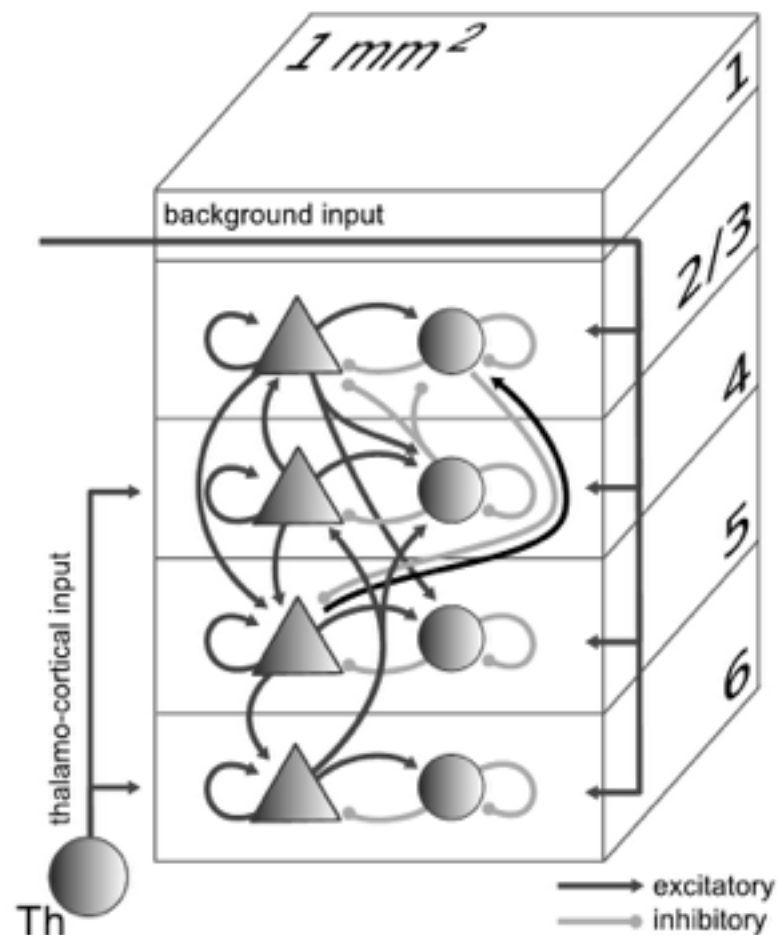
$$\lambda_{out}(t) = \frac{\sum_{s=0}^m j_{(s,0)}^+}{\Delta t}$$

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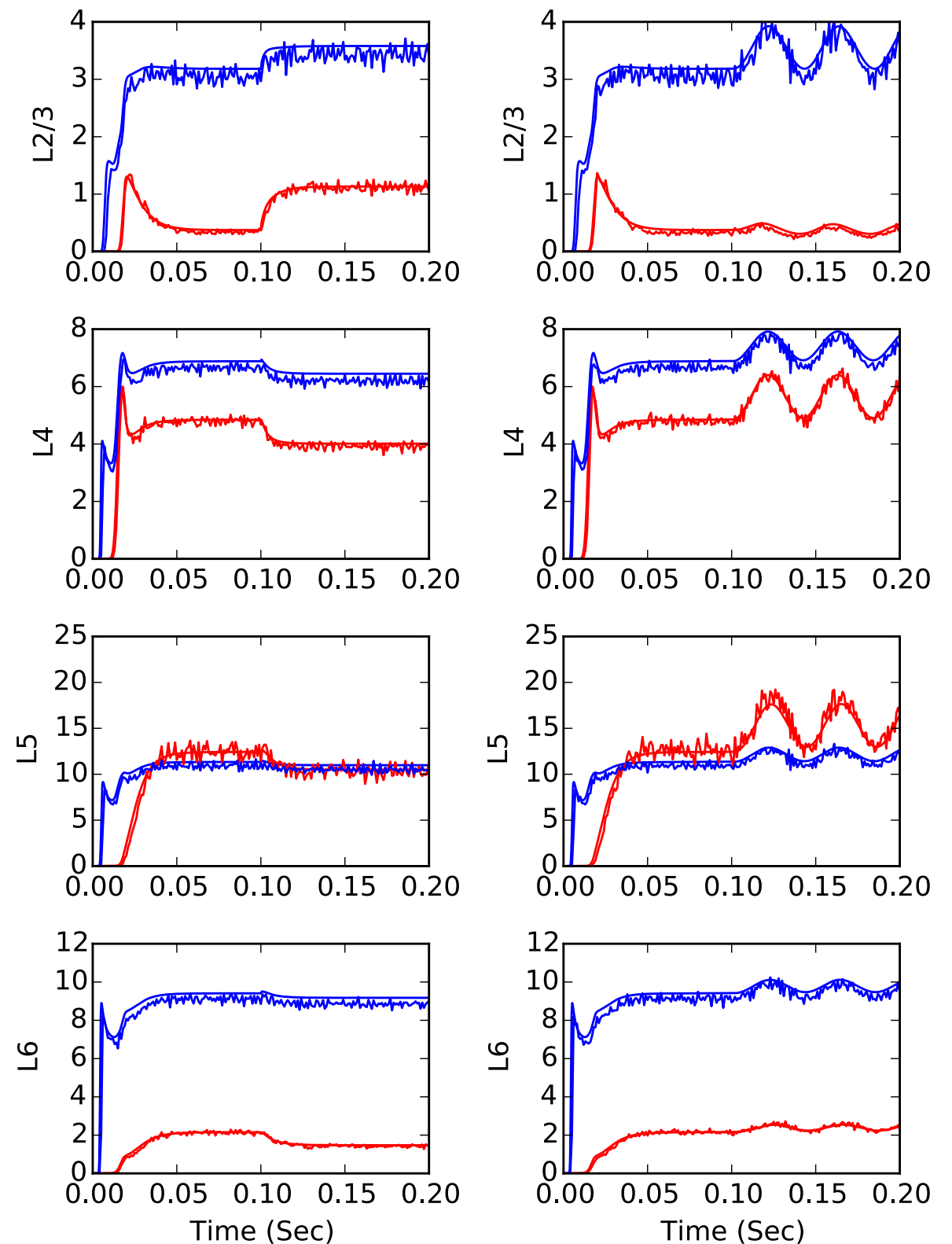
- DiPDE well-approximates a simplified cortical column



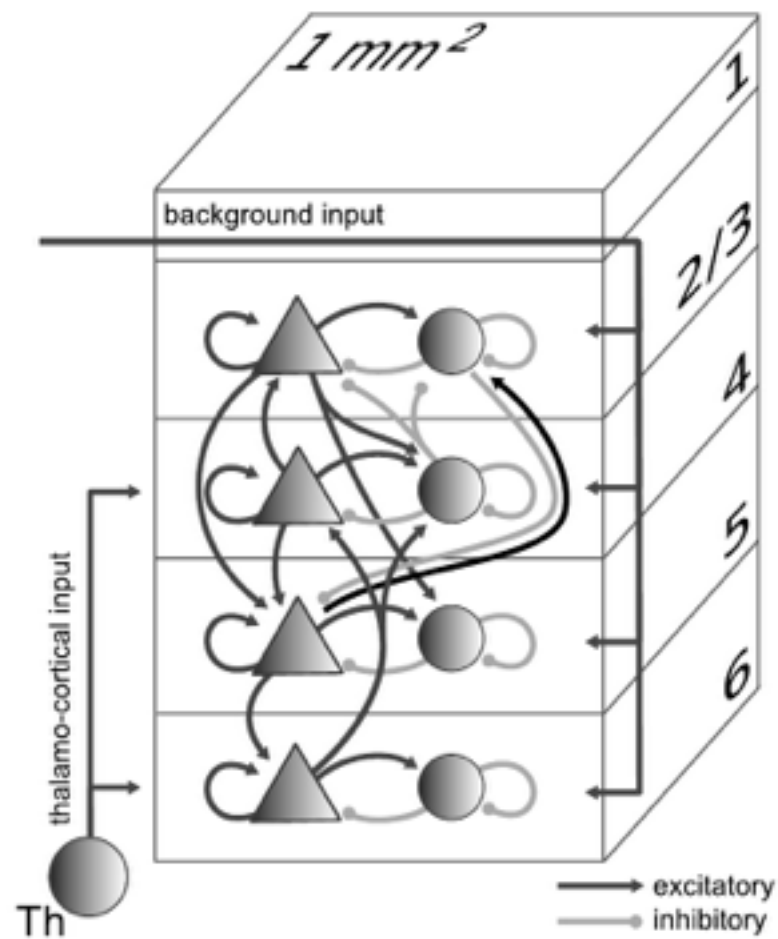
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Step input

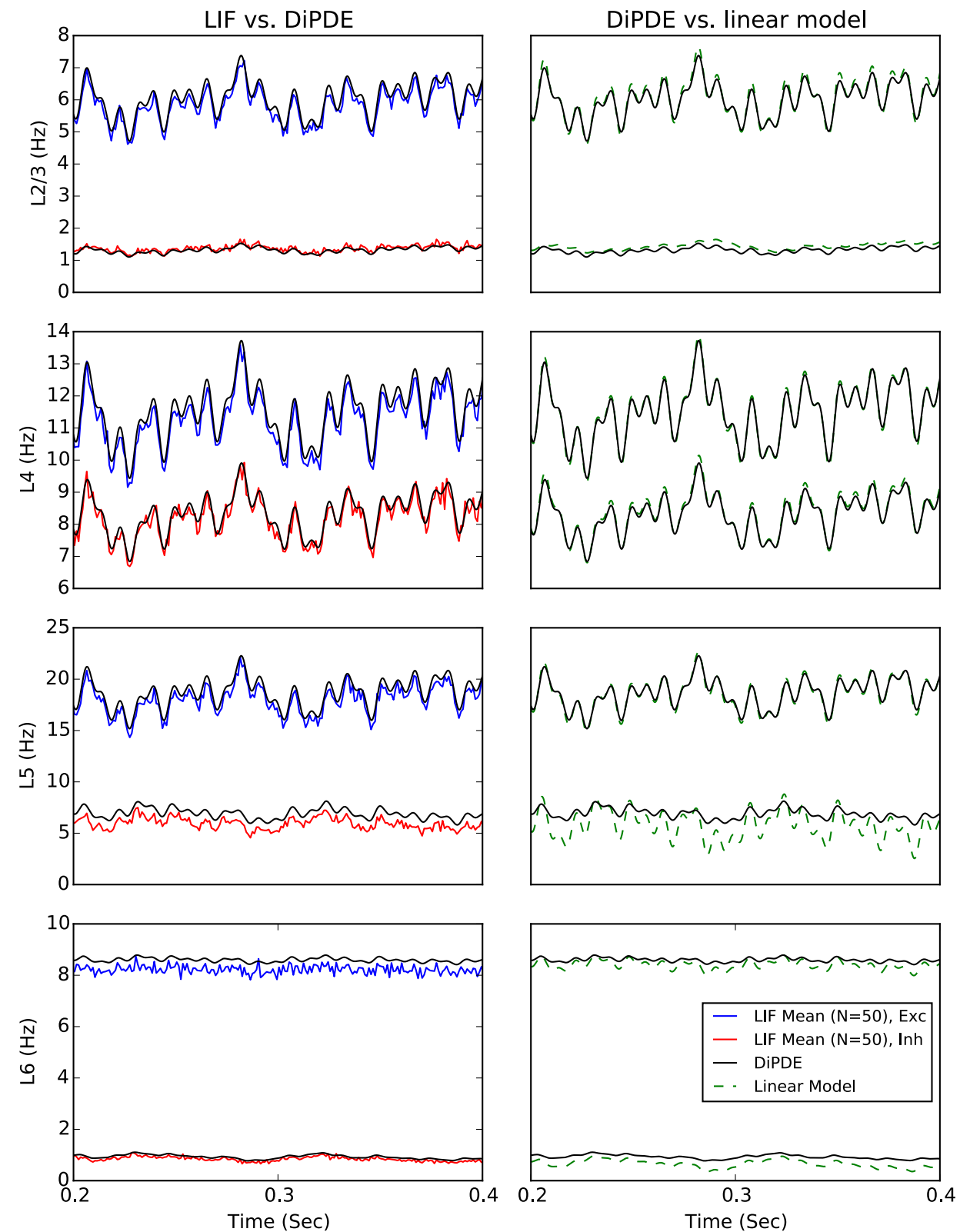
Sine input



- Model responds linearly to perturbations



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Conclusion

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 - Biophysically detailed and point-neuron model fits
- Allen SDK
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 - Source code for reading + processing ABA data
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 - Coupled population density equation solver
 - Coarse-grained model of firing rate simulations



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- 2 Week project-based summer course:
- This year: August 23 – September 6, 2015 (Applications closed)
- Open resources introduction to:
 - Cell Types Database
 - Mouse Connectivity Map
 - Cortical Activity Map (2P)





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