Modelling impaired and enhanced learning with enhanced plasticity

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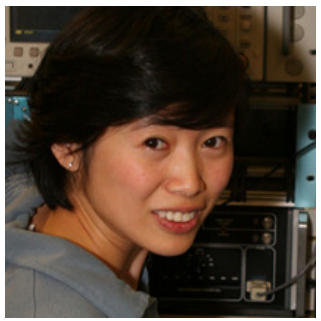

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Mice with enhanced cerebellar plasticity can show both impaired and enhanced learning.

Simple synapses cannot explain behaviour. Complex synapses are required.
$\rightarrow$ predictions for synaptic physiology.

Vestibulo-Occular Reflex training

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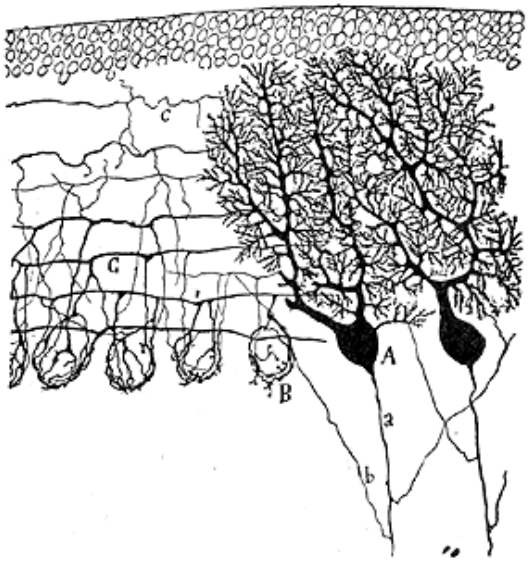

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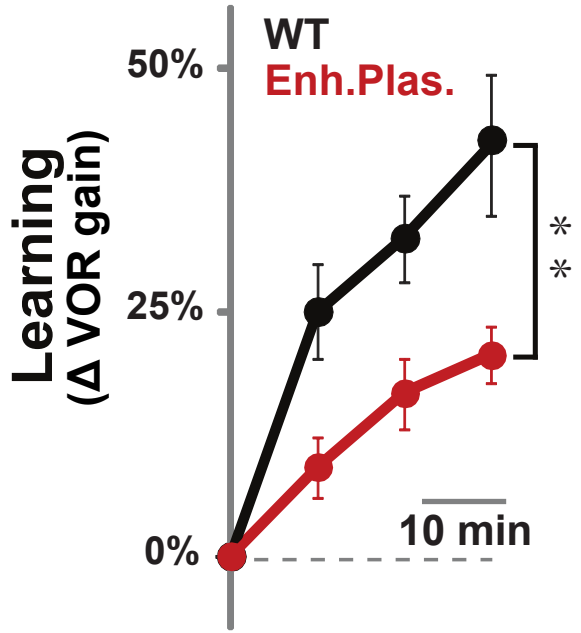
VOR increase: LTD in PF-Pk synapses.

[du Lac et al. (1995), Boyden et al. (2004)]

Enhanced plasticity impairs learning

Expectation: enhanced LTD $\rightarrow$ enhanced learning.



Experiment: enhanced plasticity $\rightarrow$ impaired learning.

Knockout of MHC-I D^bK^b molecules in PF-Pk synapses
$\rightarrow$ lower threshold for LTD

[McConnell et al. (2009)]

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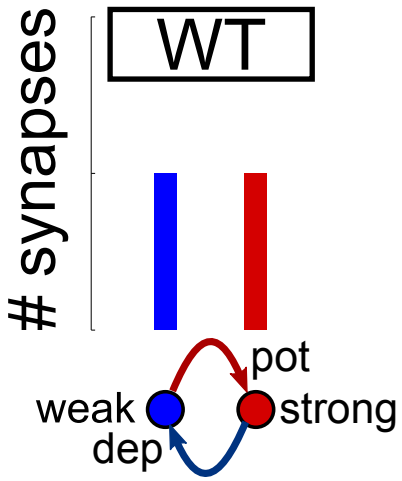

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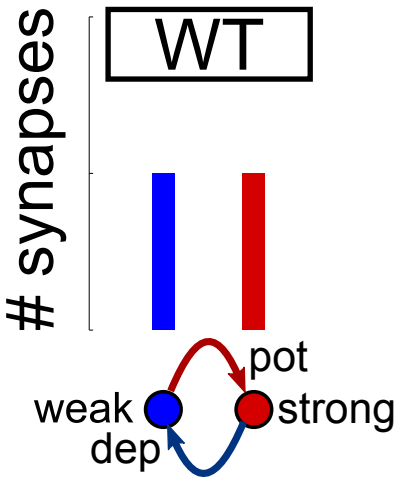

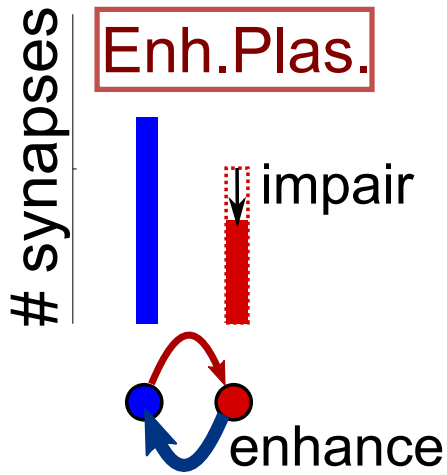

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When is depletion effect stronger?

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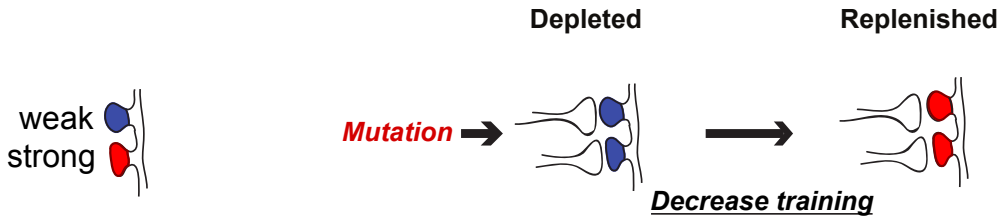

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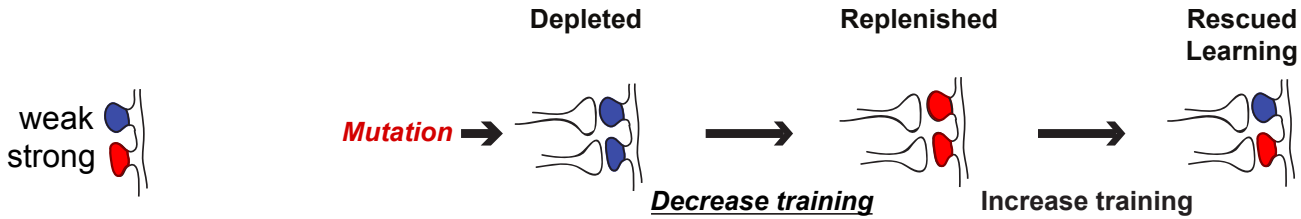

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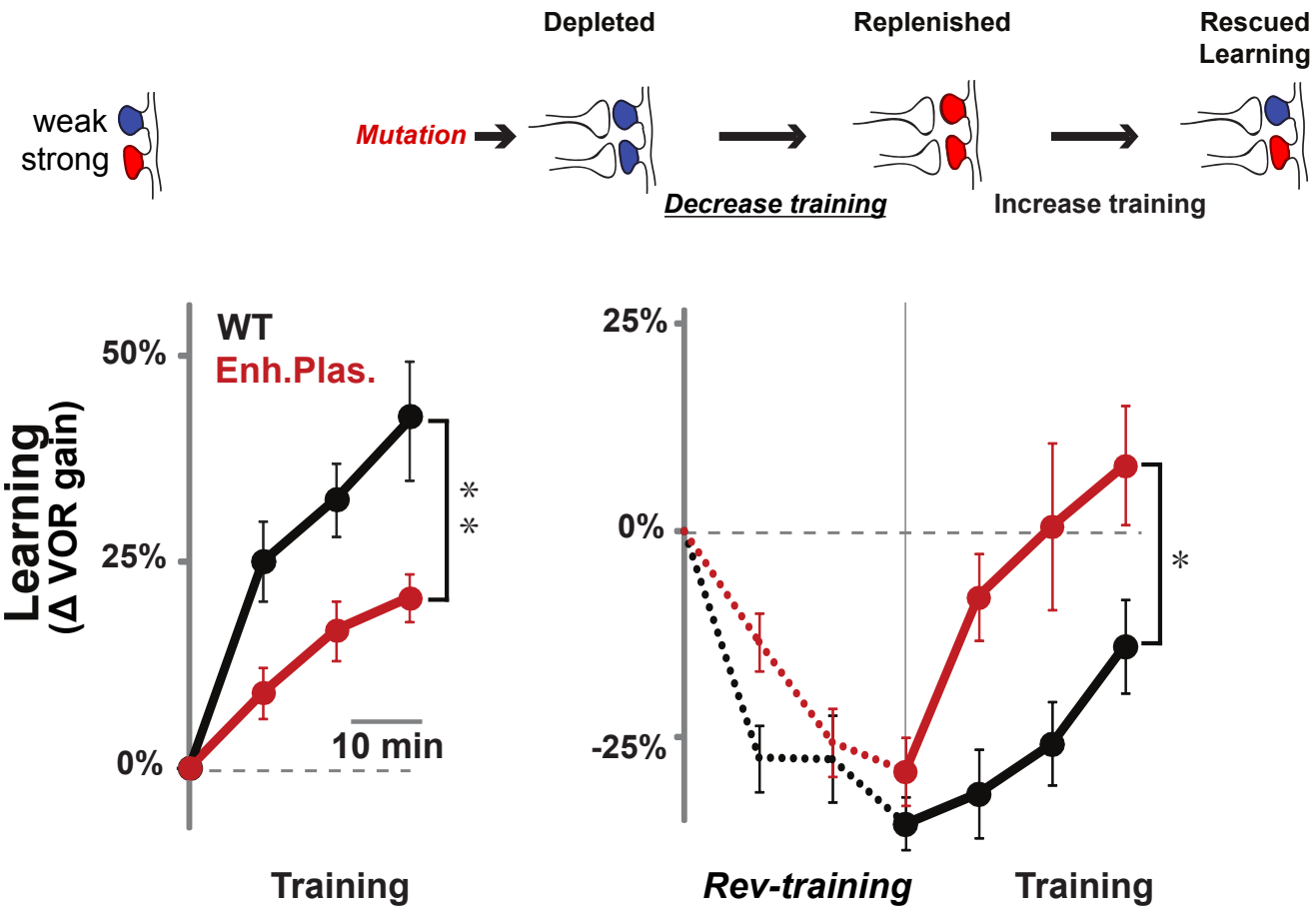

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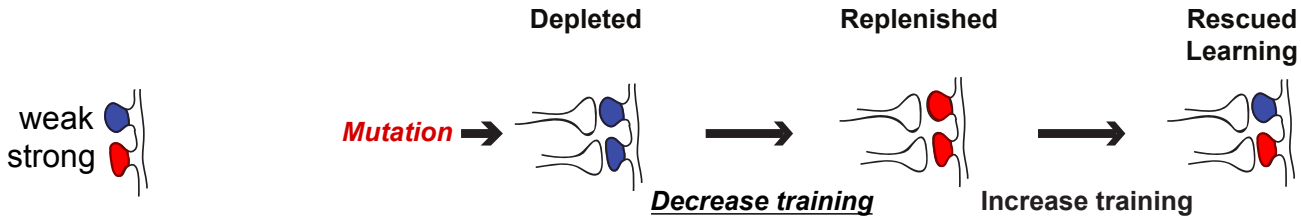

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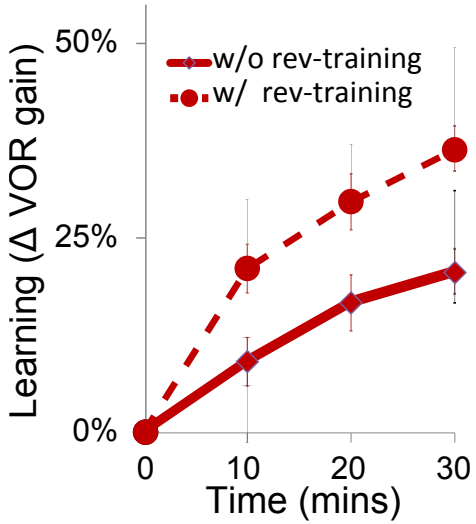

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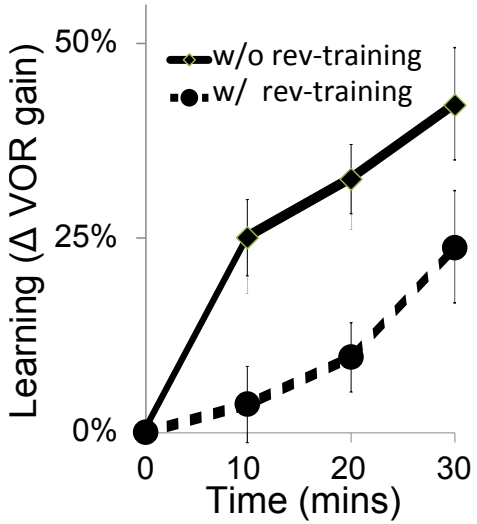
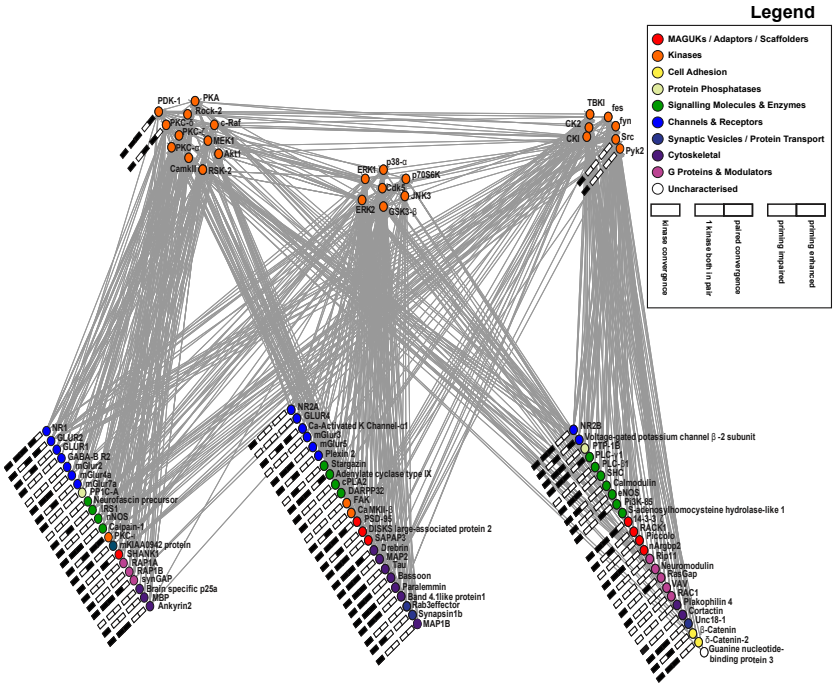


Question 2: How can replenishment *ever* impair learning?

Synapses are complex



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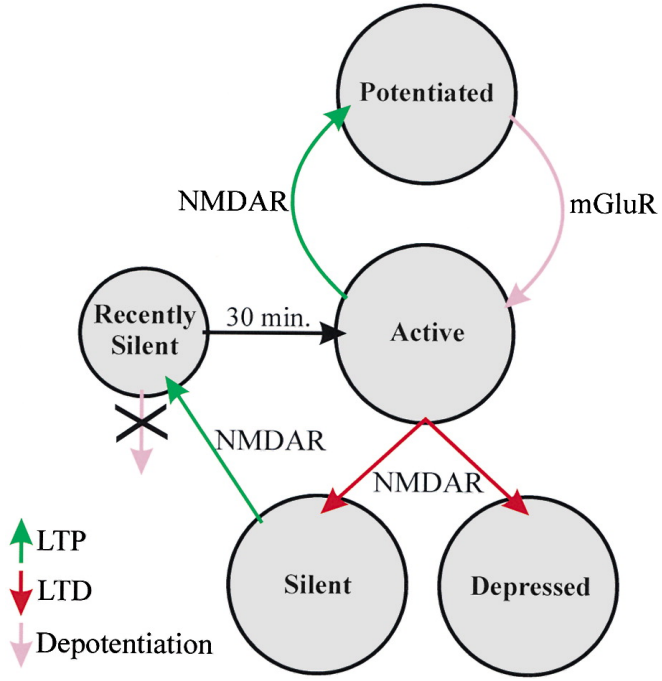

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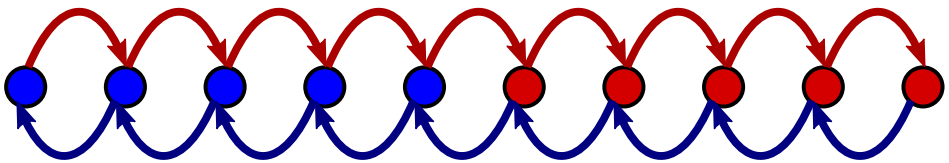

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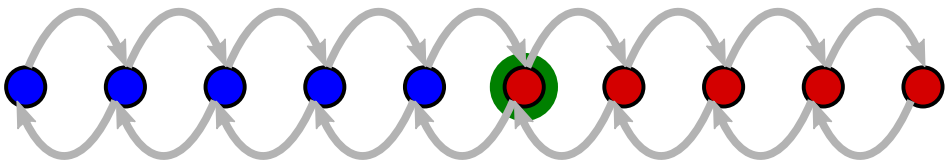

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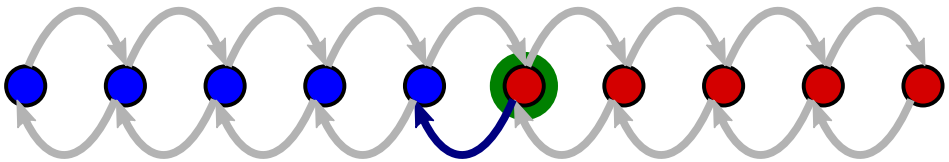

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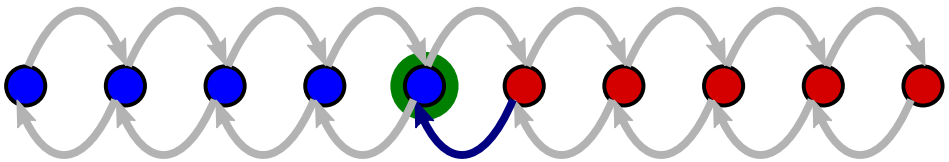

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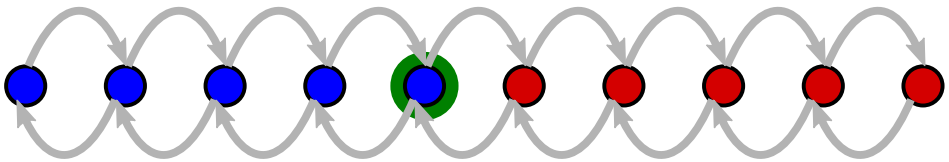

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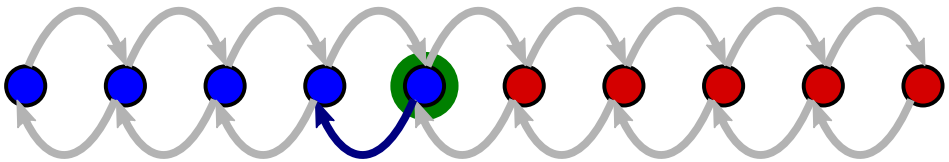

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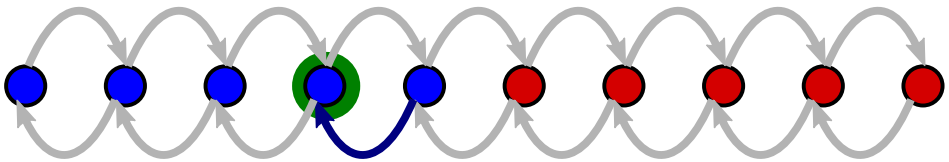

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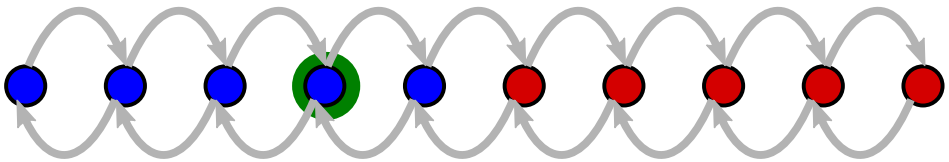

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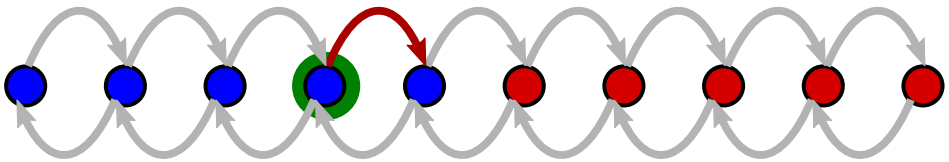

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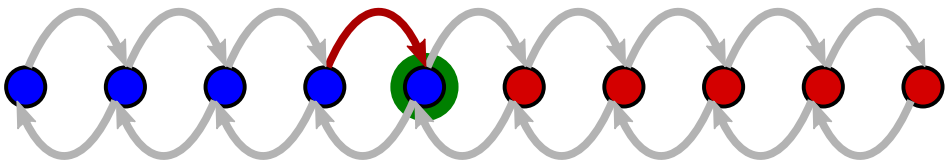

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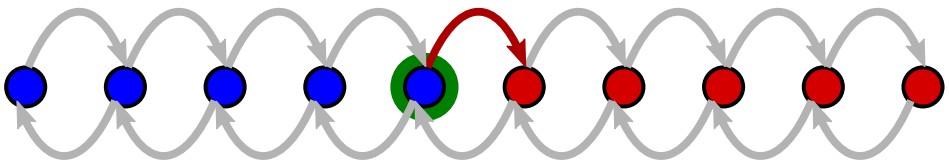

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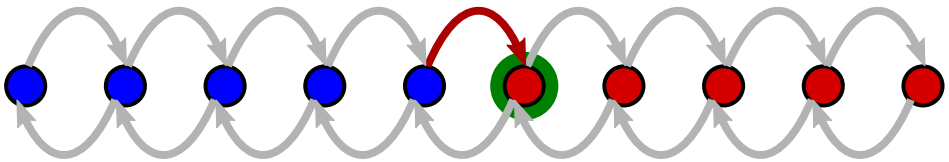

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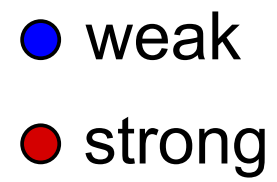

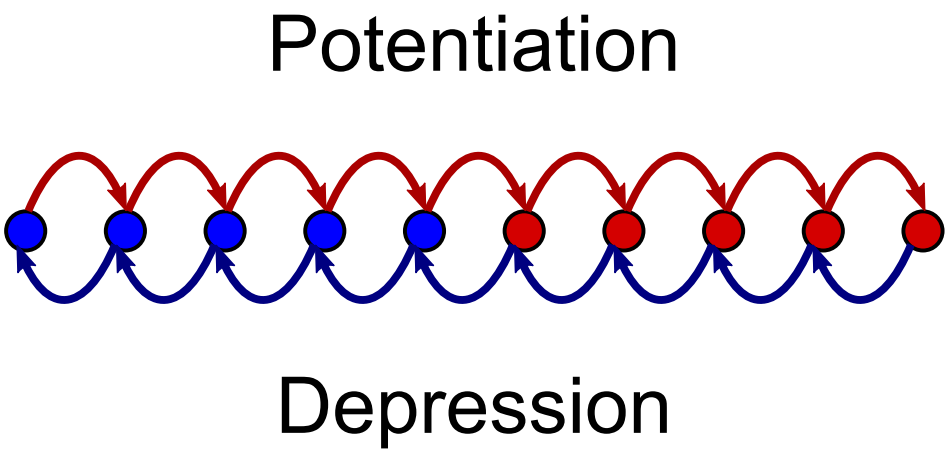

Mutation: trans. probs.

Training: rates of pot/dep events

Learning: synaptic weight

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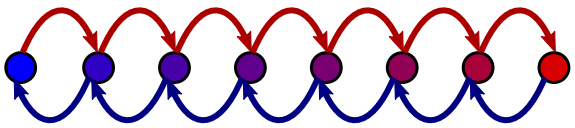

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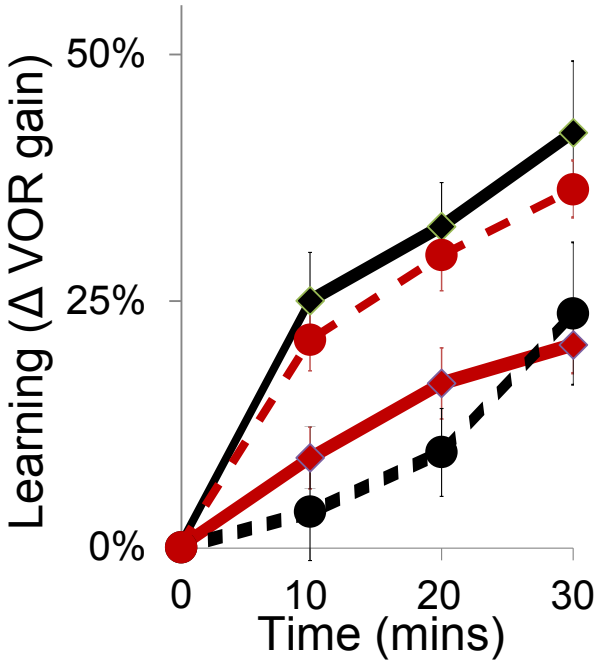

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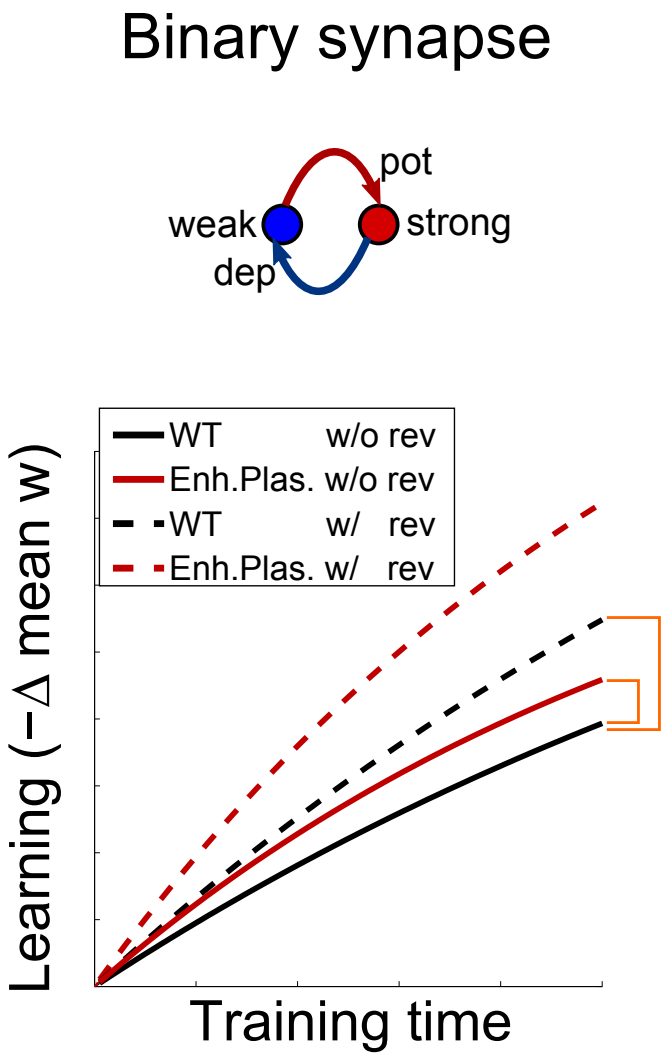

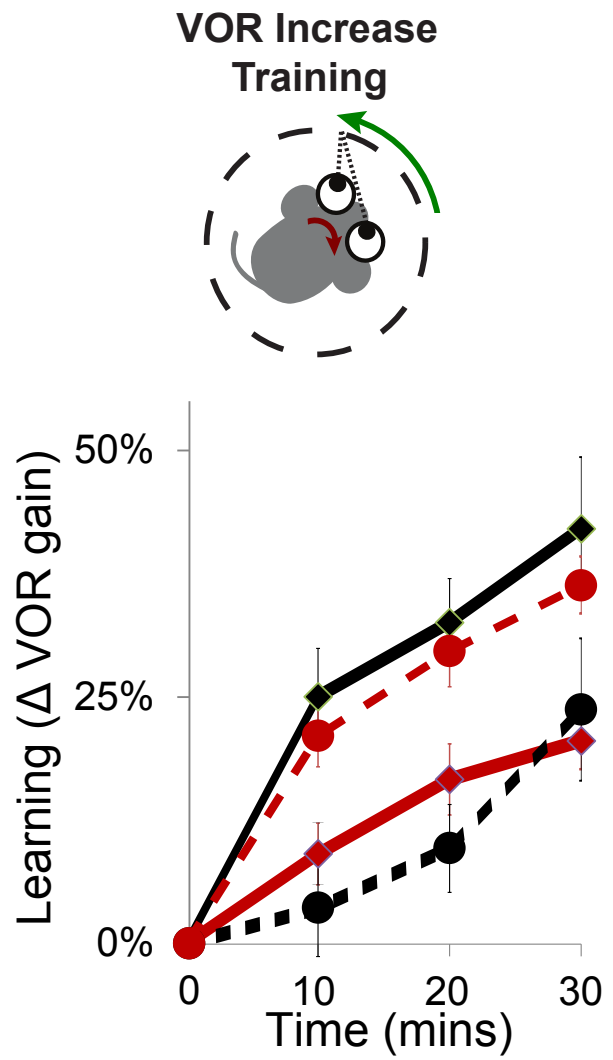

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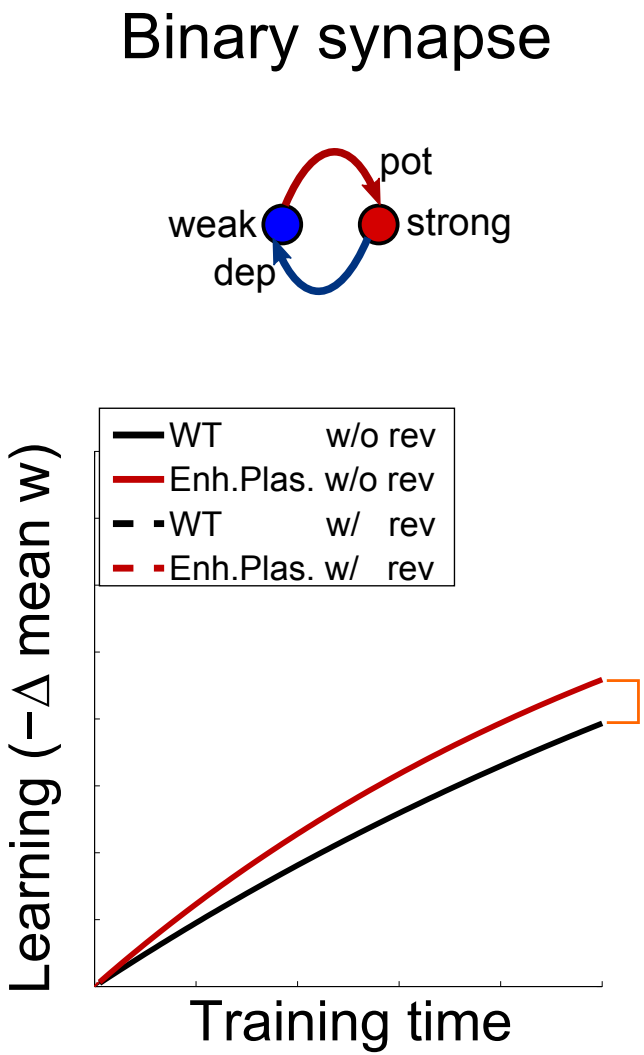

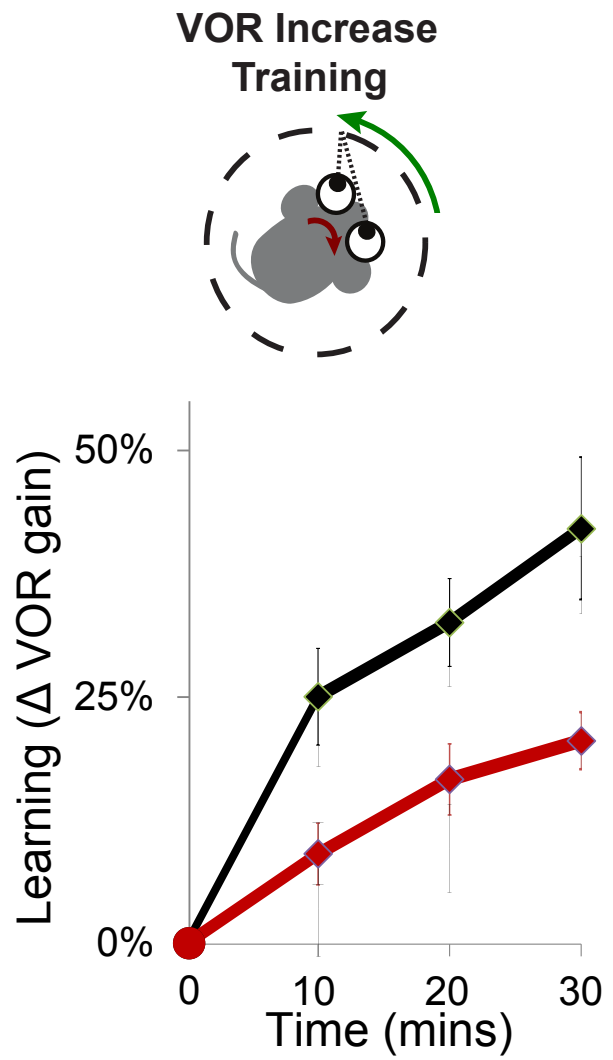

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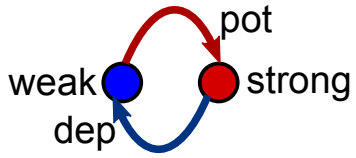

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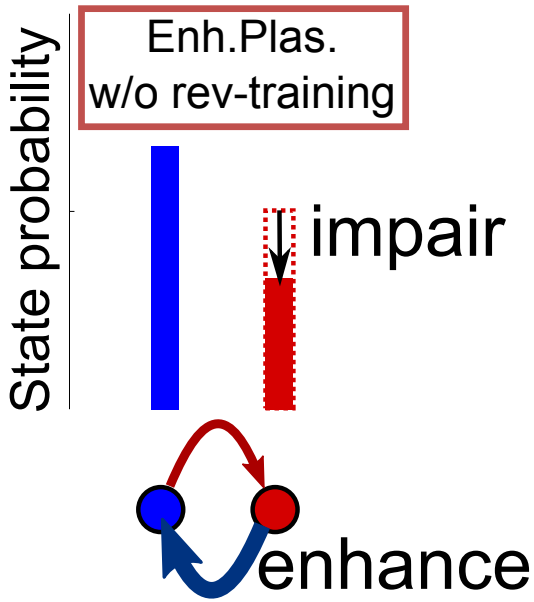

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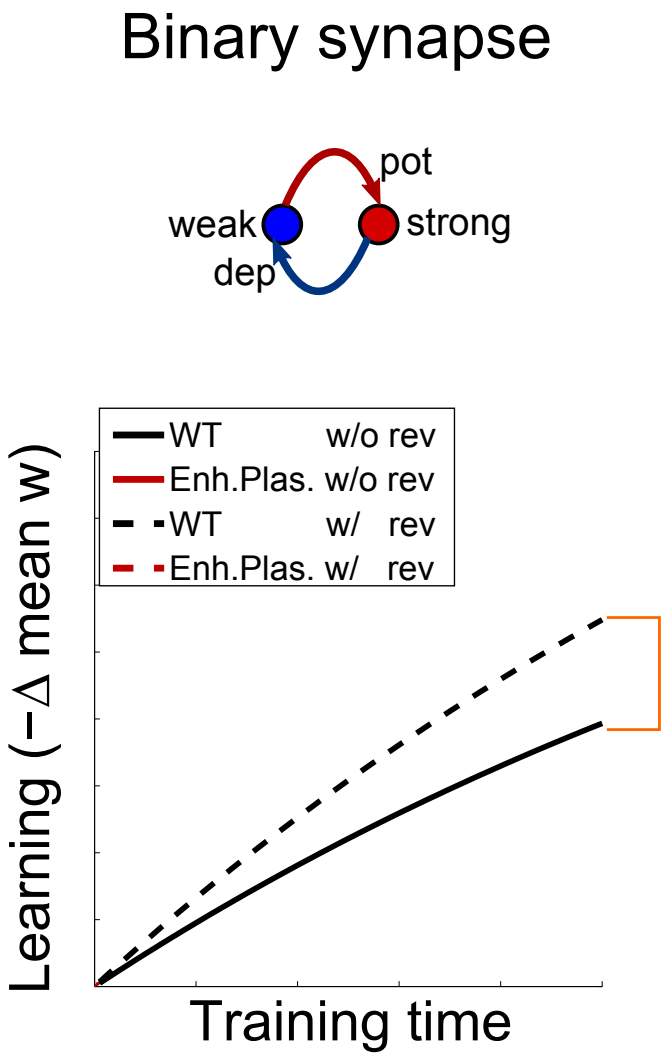

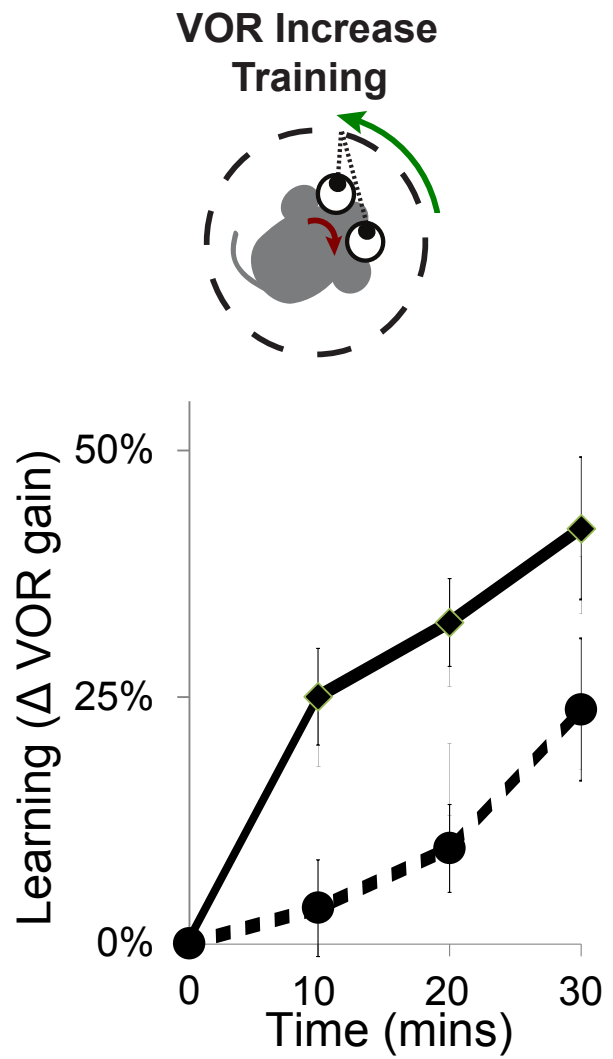

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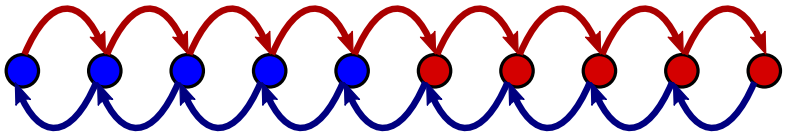

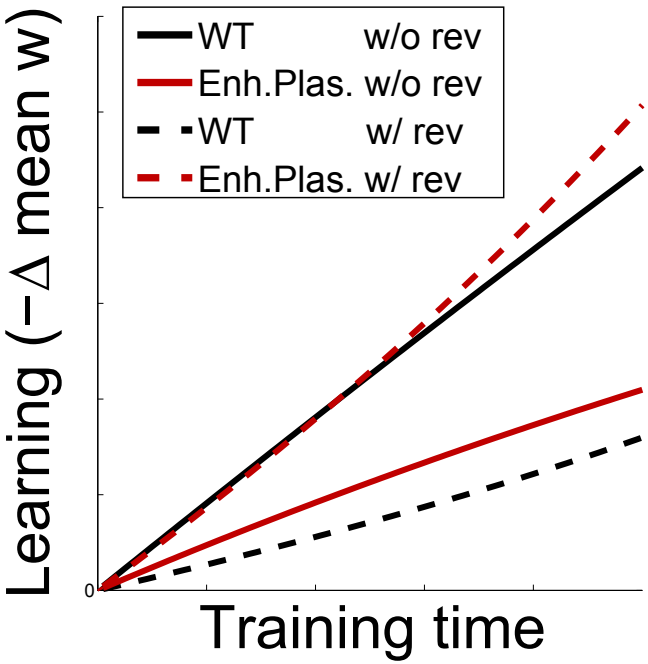

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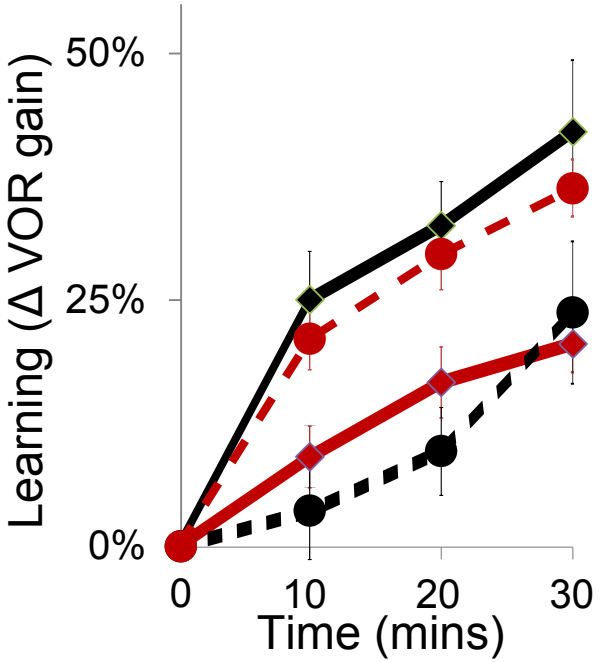

[Leibold and Kempter (2008), Ben-Dayan Rubin and Fusi (2007)]

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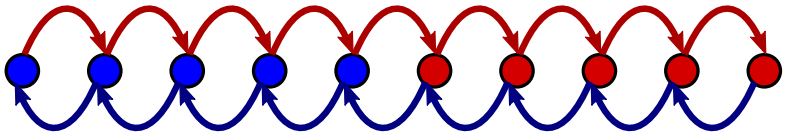

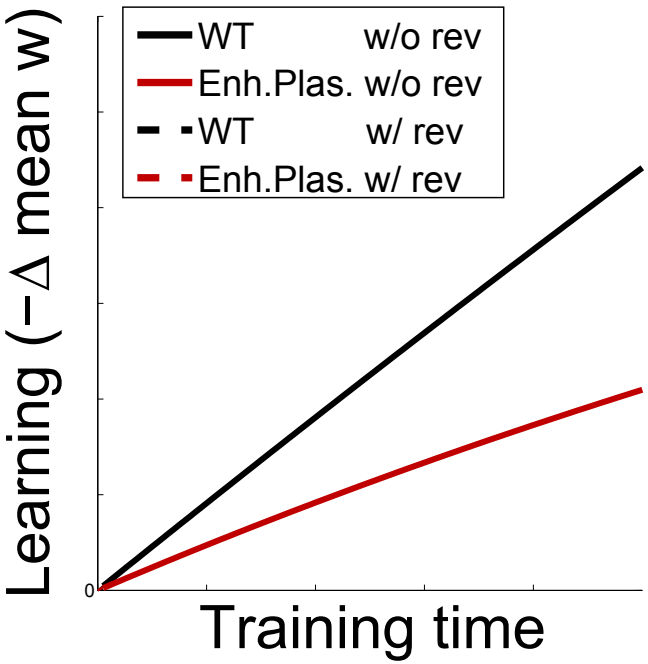

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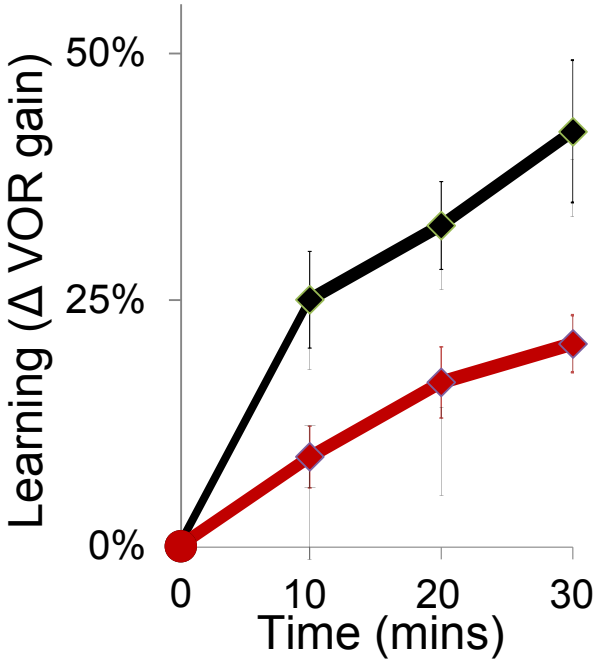

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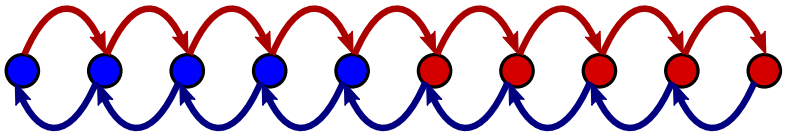

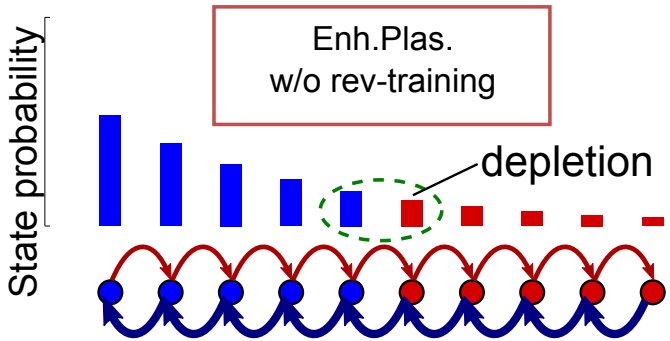

amplified depletion

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enhanced plasticity

$\Longrightarrow$ impaired learning

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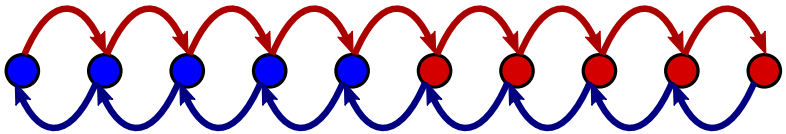

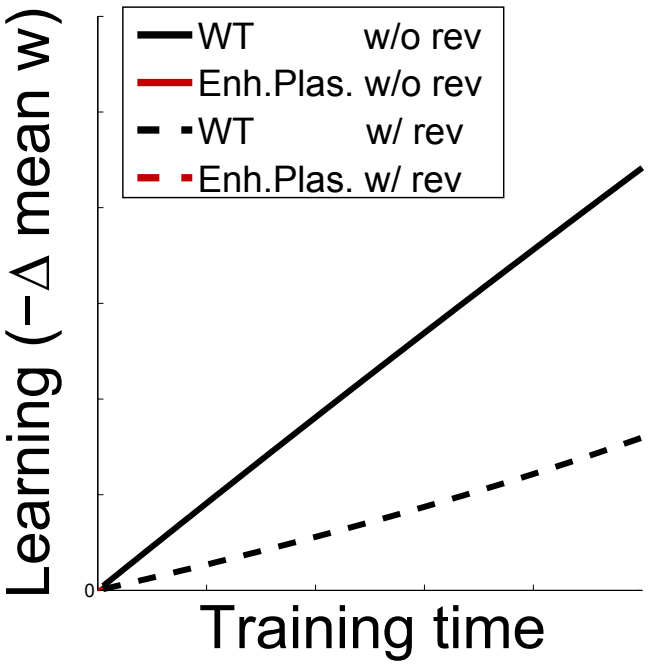

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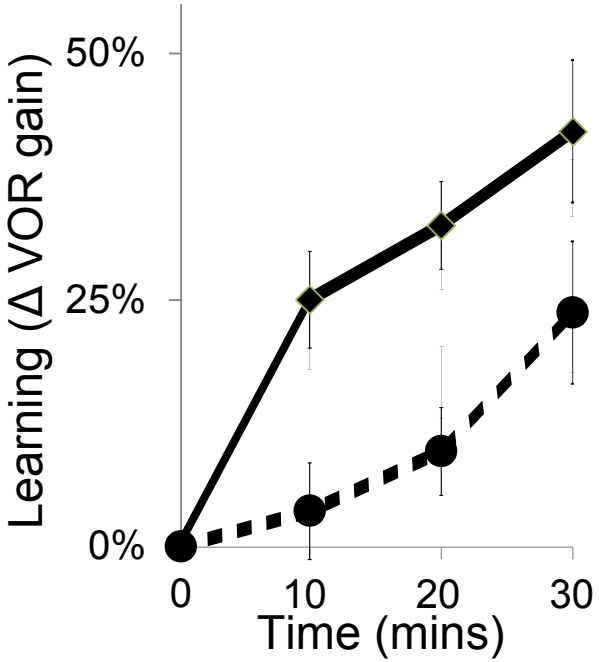

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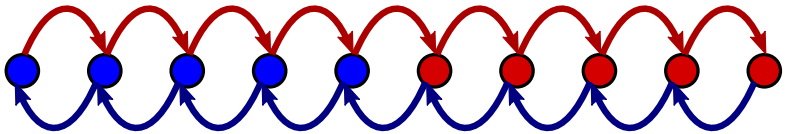

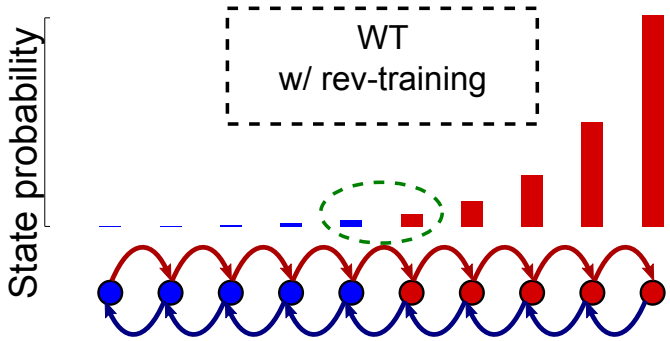

reverse training

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"stubborn" metaplasticity

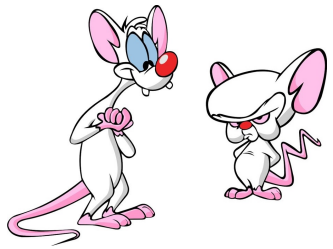
$\Longrightarrow$ impaired learning

[Leibold and Kempter (2008), Ben-Dayan Rubin and Fusi (2007)]

Conclusions

- Diverse behavioural patterns:
  Enhanced plasticity $\rightarrow$ enhance/impair learning (prior experience).
  Reverse-training $\rightarrow$ enhance/impair learning (plasticity rates).

- enhanced LTD vs. depletion $\rightarrow$ learning outcome.



- Predictions for synaptic physiology:
  Synaptic complexity: necessary to amplify depletion.
  Synaptic stubbornness: repeated potentiation makes subsequent depression harder.

- We used behaviour to constrain the dynamics of synaptic plasticity

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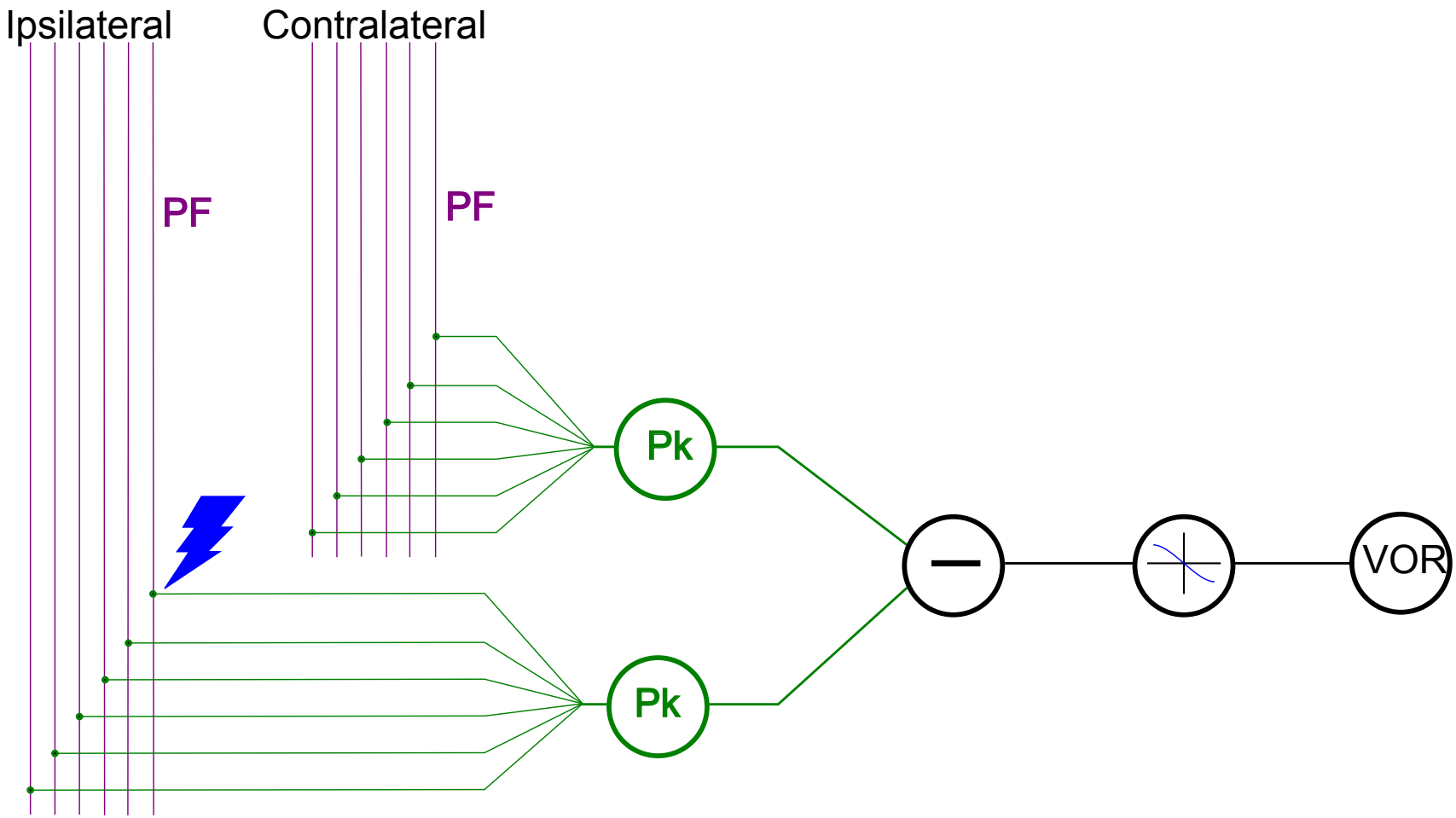

Other models that fail

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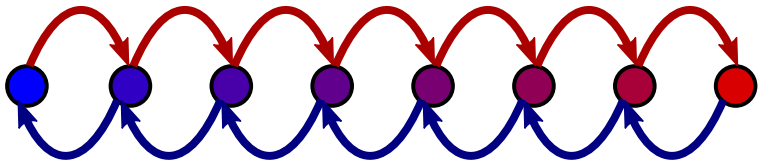

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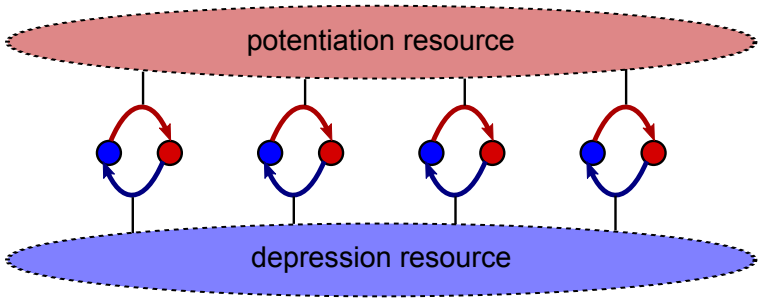

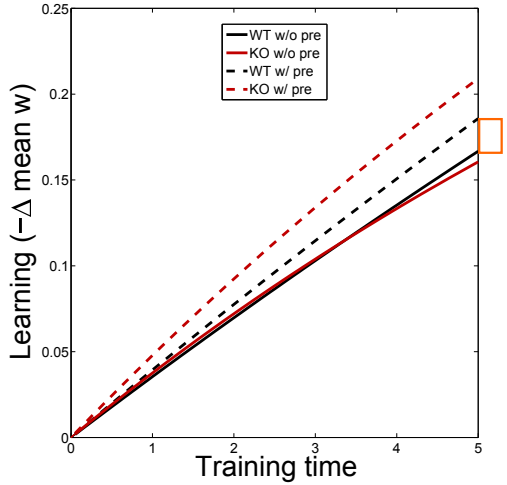

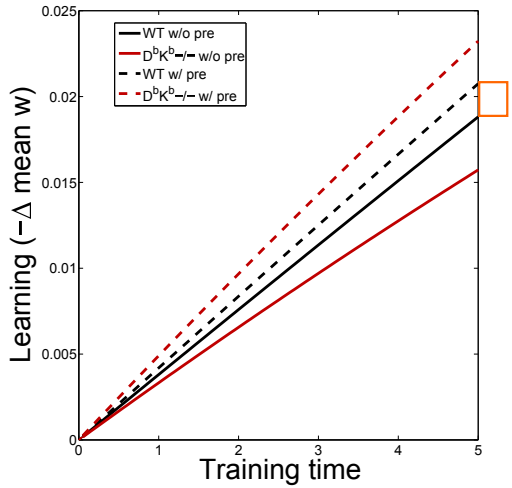

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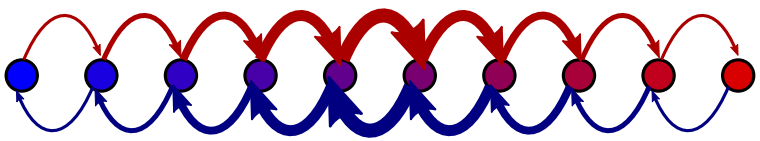

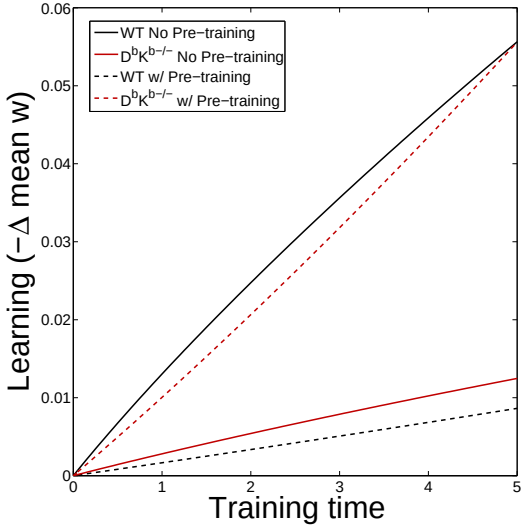

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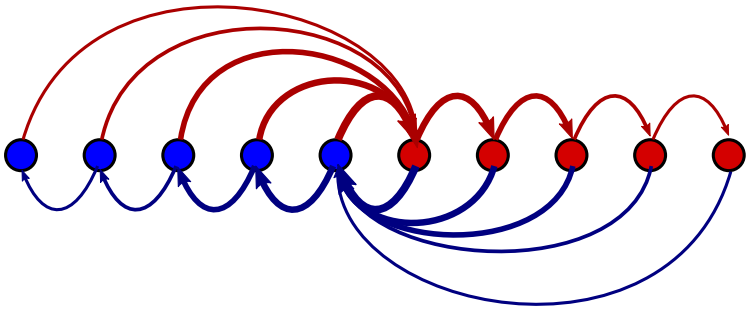

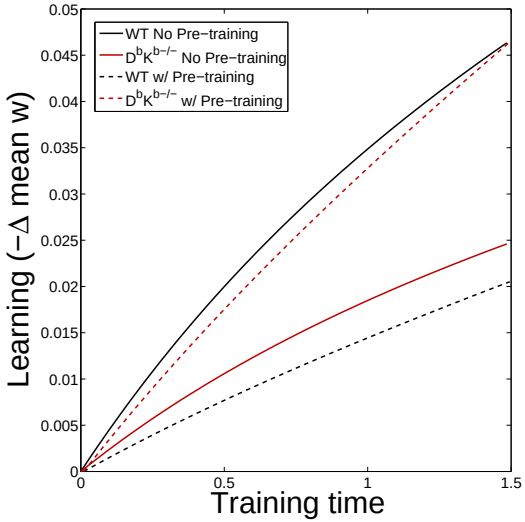

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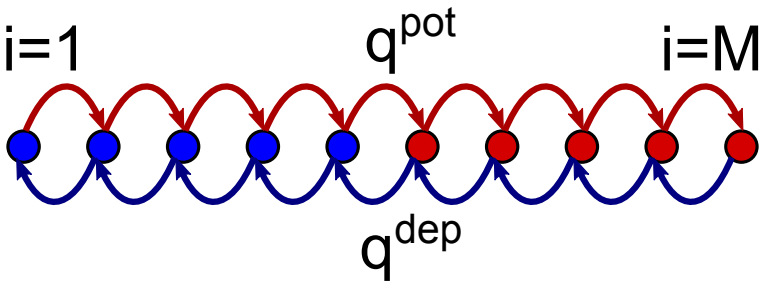

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For $M > 2$: larger $q^{\text{dep}} \implies$ slower learning.

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