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Synaptic Plasticity — Lecture 5

Bidirectionality

Neuronal Physiology and Plasticity

Aug 2018 Semester

In the previous class...

HFS leads to LTP through depolarization followed by influx of calcium into the postsynaptic neuron

Multiple sources of calcium could mediate LTP induction: NMDAR, CP-AMPAR, VGCCs, stores

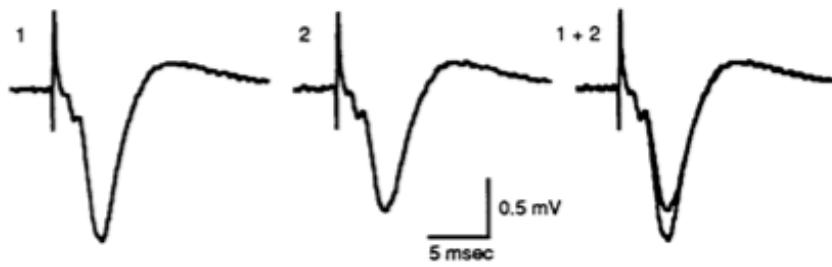
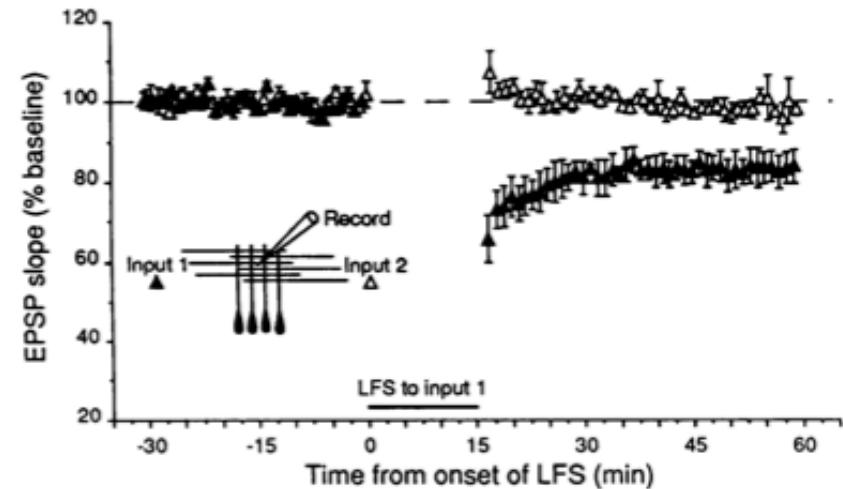
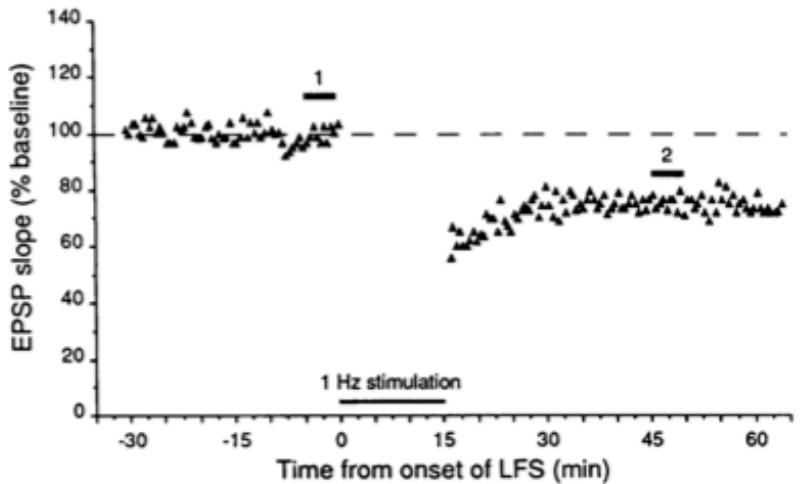
In reality, multiple calcium sources could synergistically contribute to various forms of LTP

Backpropagating action potentials and dendritic spikes can provide depolarization required for the induction of synapse-specific LTP

Question 1: Shouldn't plasticity be bidirectional for stability??

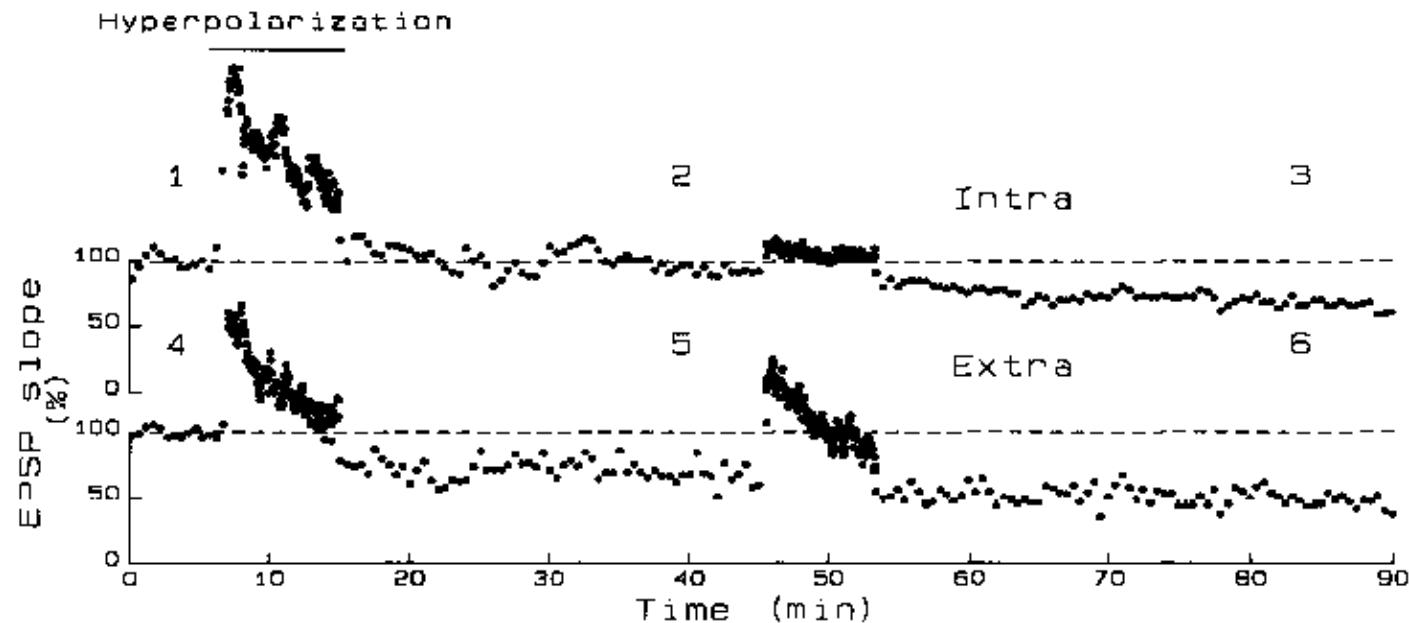
Question 2: What comes after calcium in inducing LTP??

Long-term depression



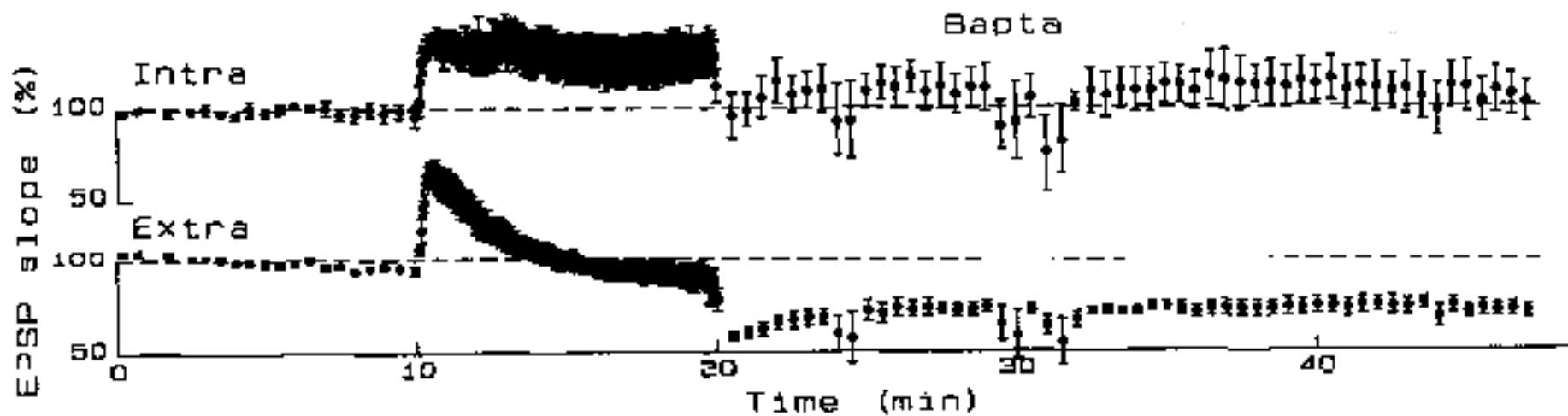
Long-term depression also exhibits input specificity

LTD is depolarization-dependent, too!!!



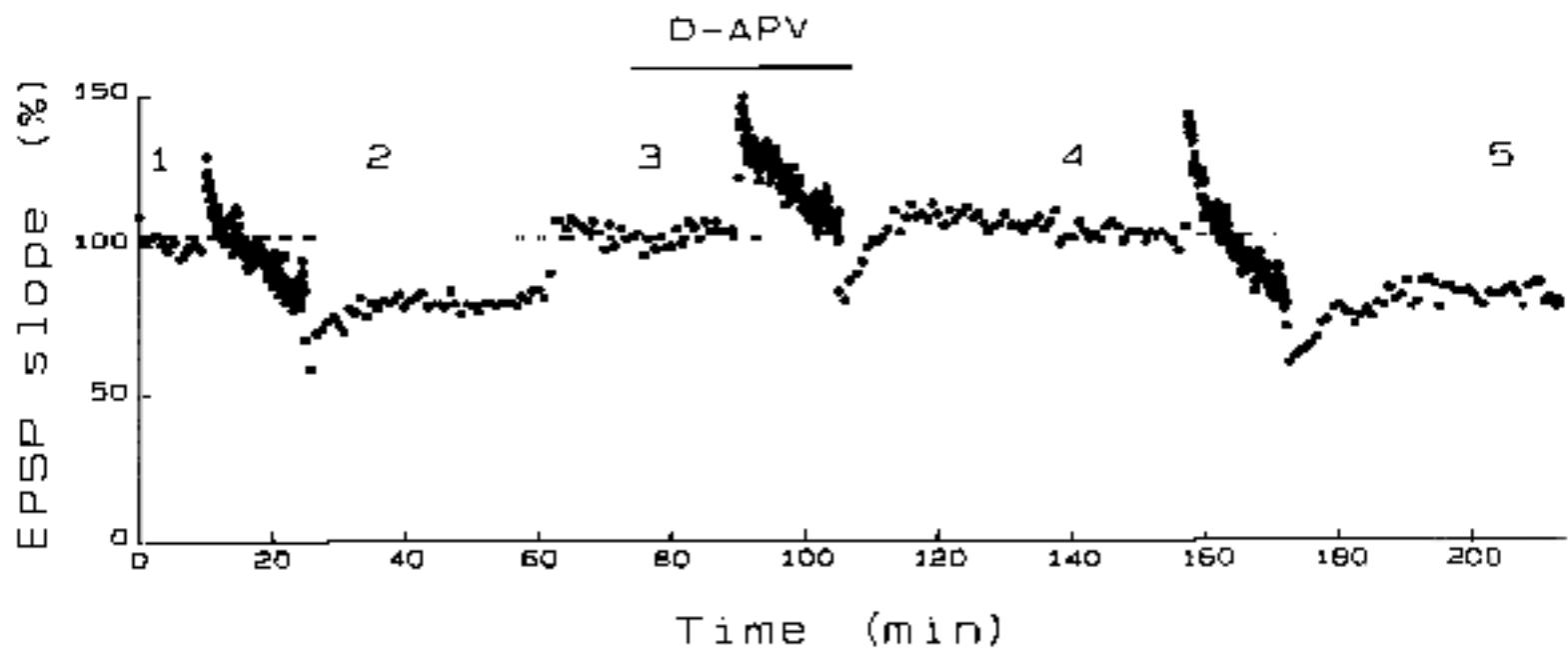
Mulkey and Malenka, Neuron, 1992

Surprise! Surprise!! LTD is $[Ca^{2+}]_i$ dependent, too!!!



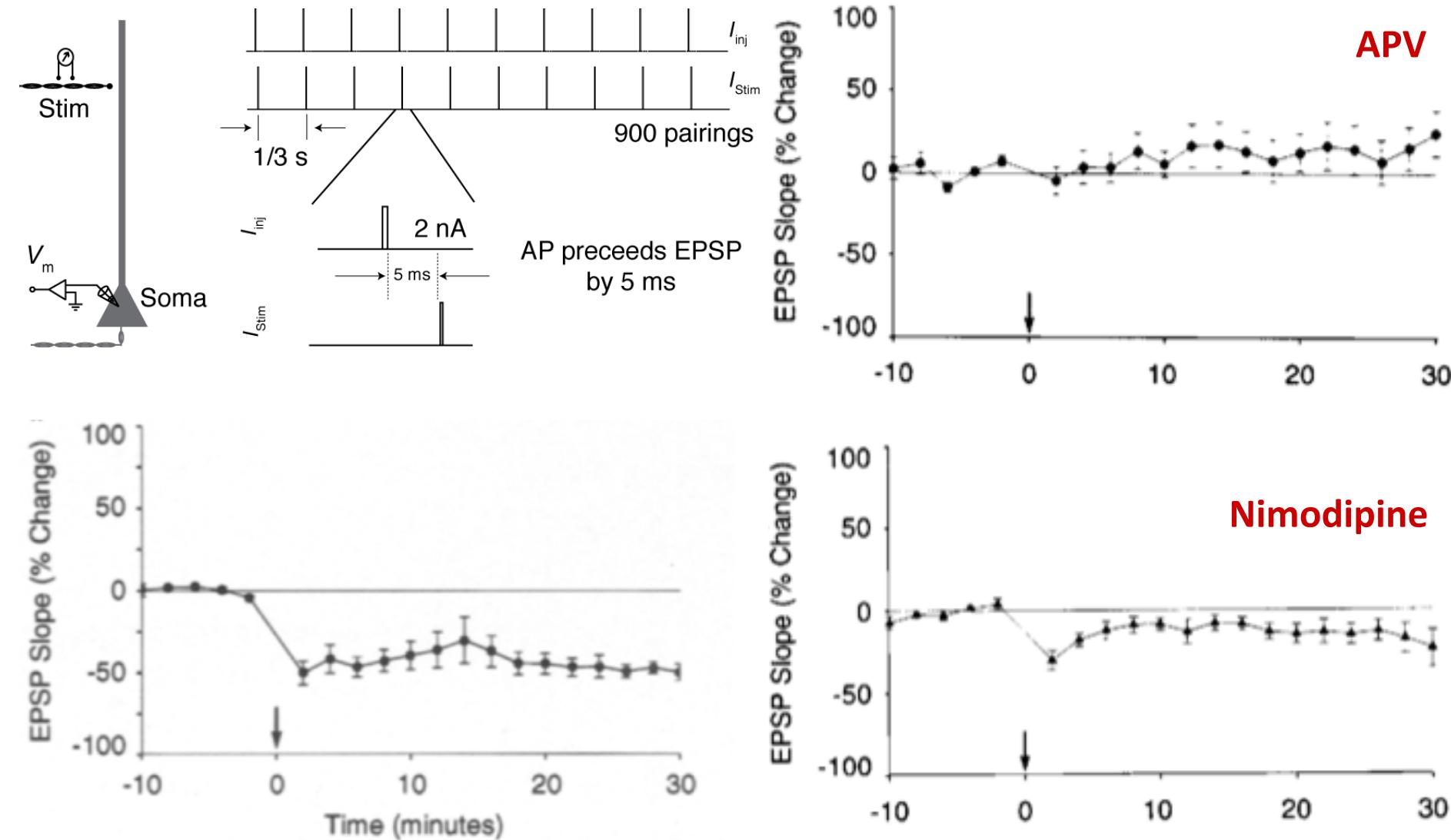
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Calcium can come from NMDARs

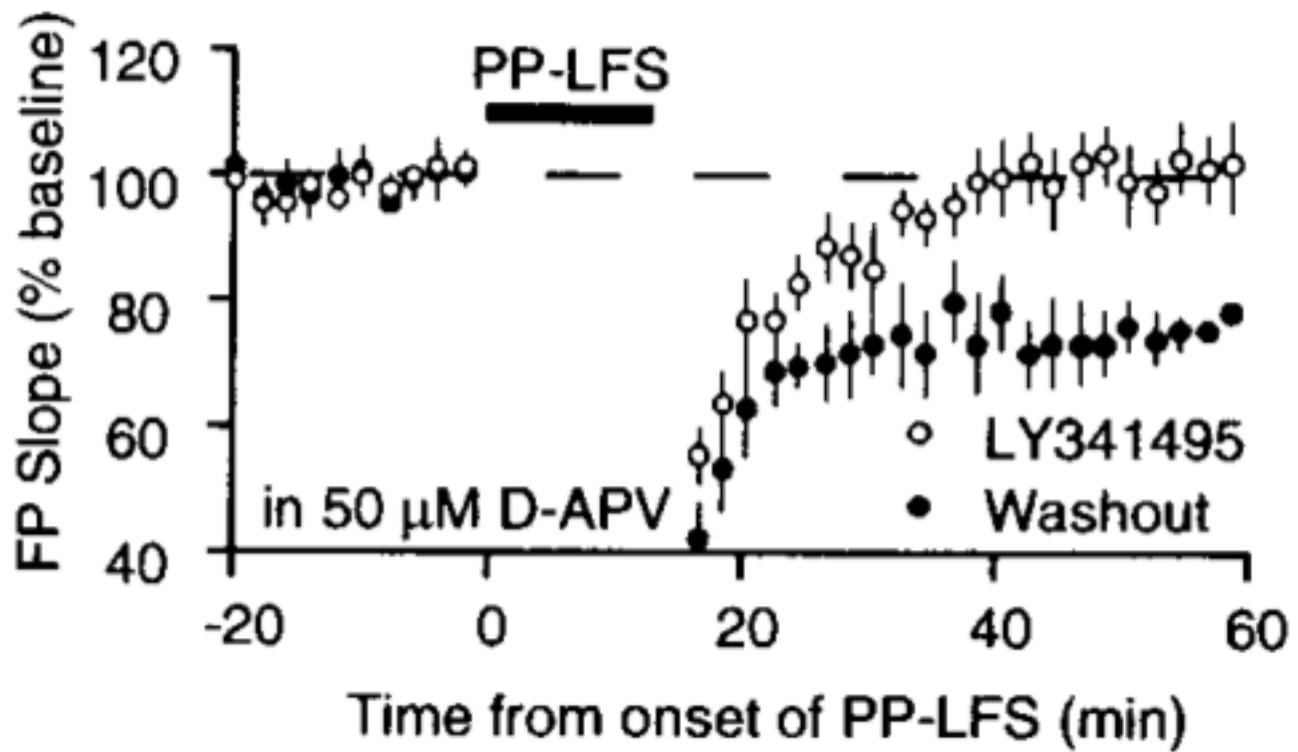


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Or, from both NMDARs and VGCCs



Or, mGluRs



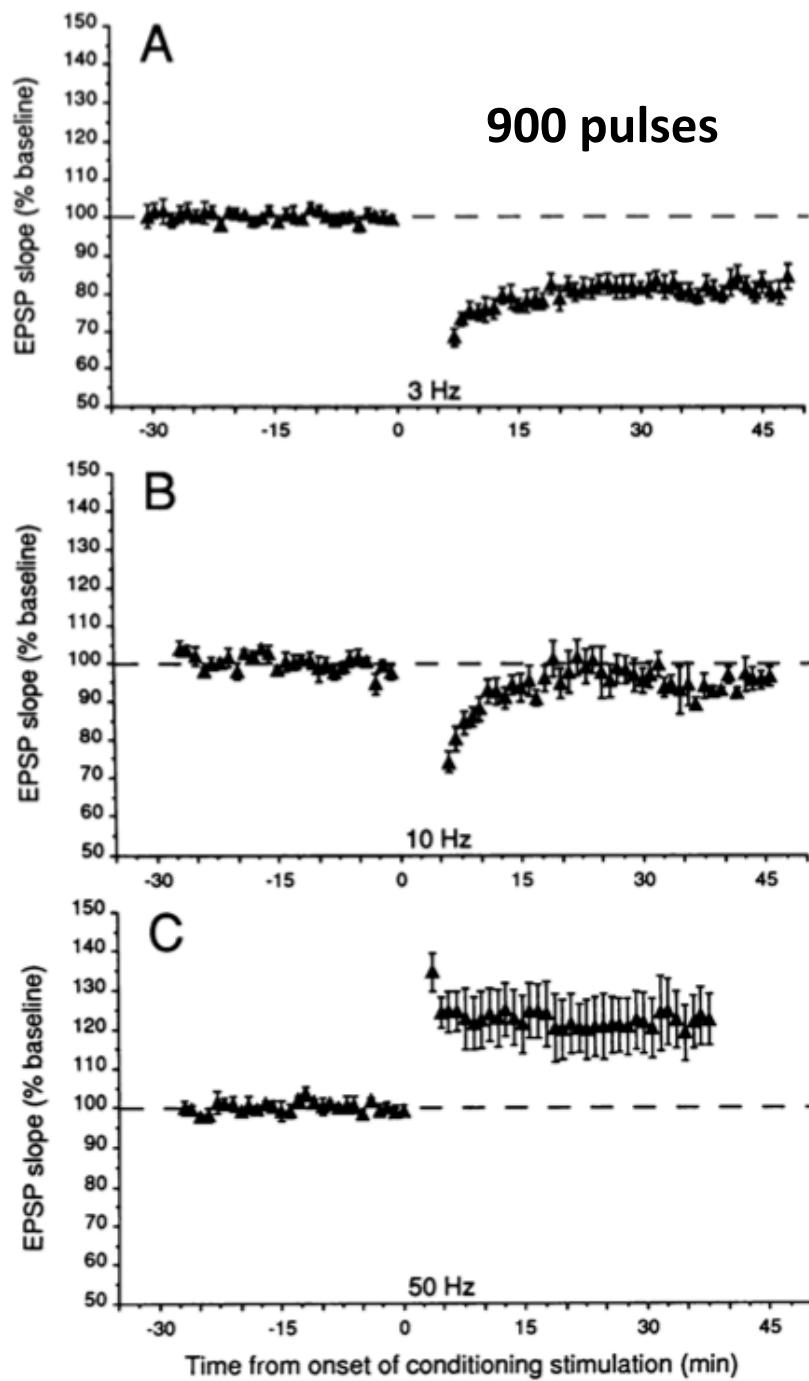
LY341495: mGluR antagonist

Washout: After washing out LY

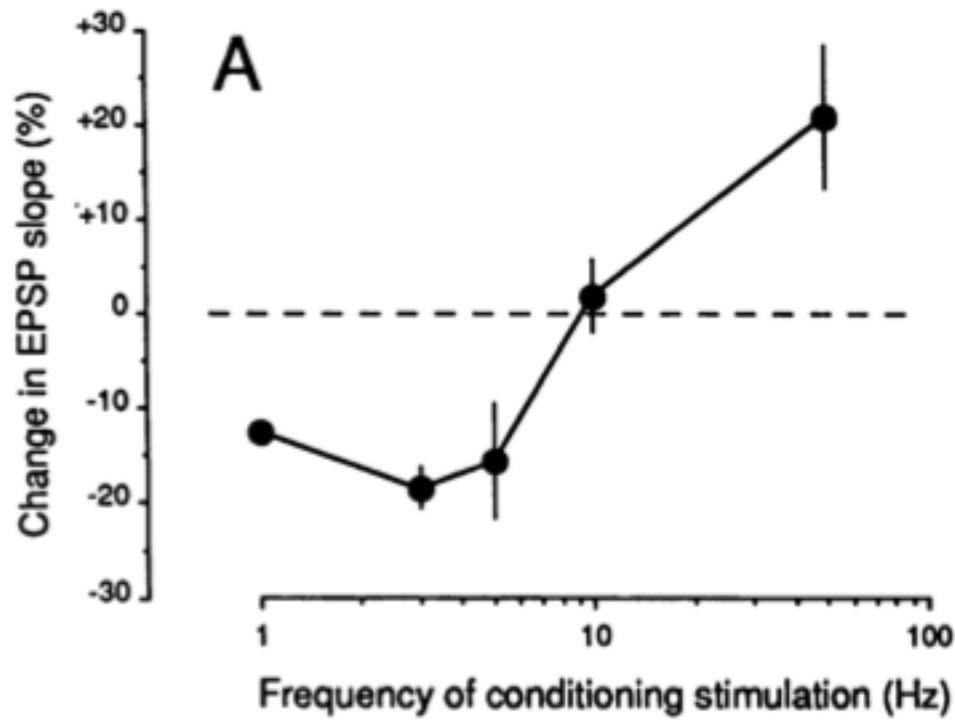
LTP is dependent on depolarization, elevation of postsynaptic calcium through NMDAR's/VGCC's/mGluR's!!

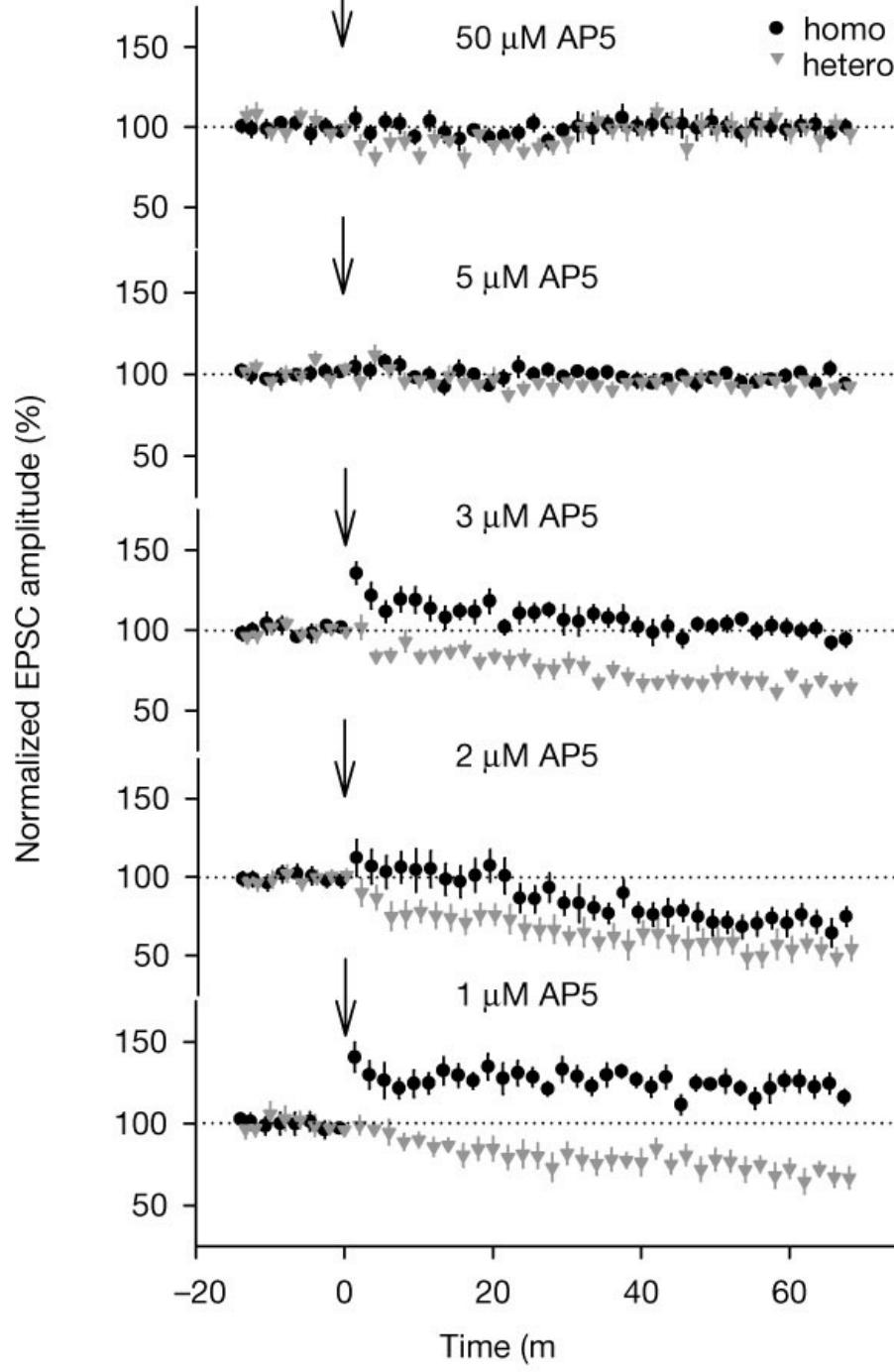
So is LTD!!!

So, what property of the induction stimulus determines whether it is LTP/LTD?

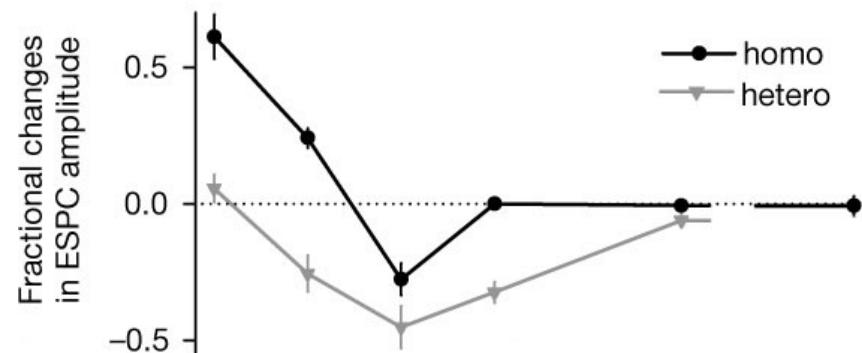


Frequency of stimulus?

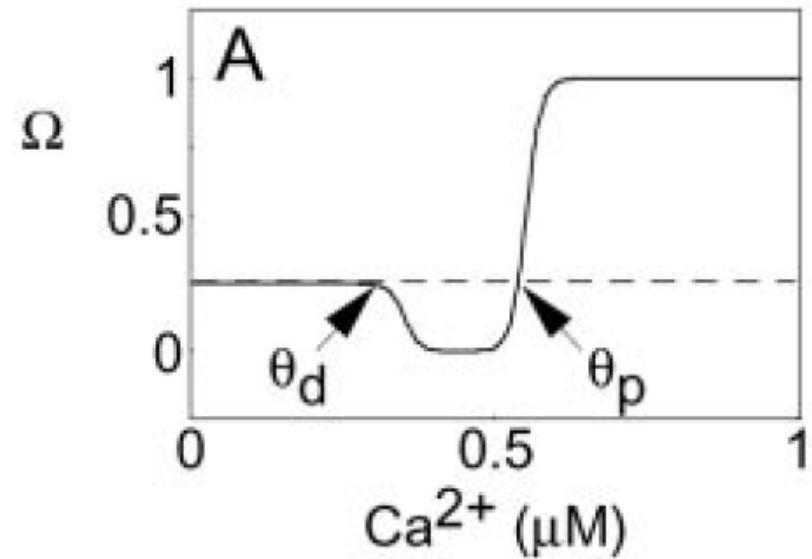
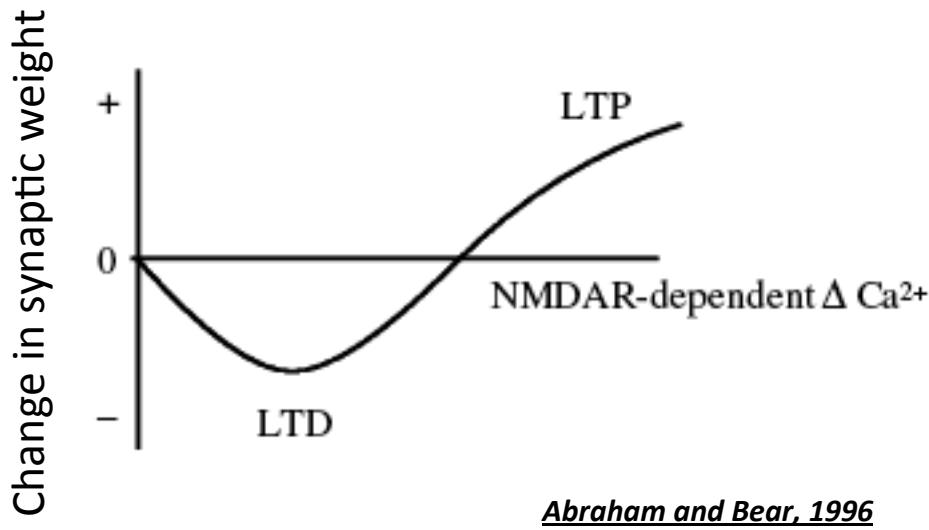


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Amount of calcium?



Amount of calcium entering?



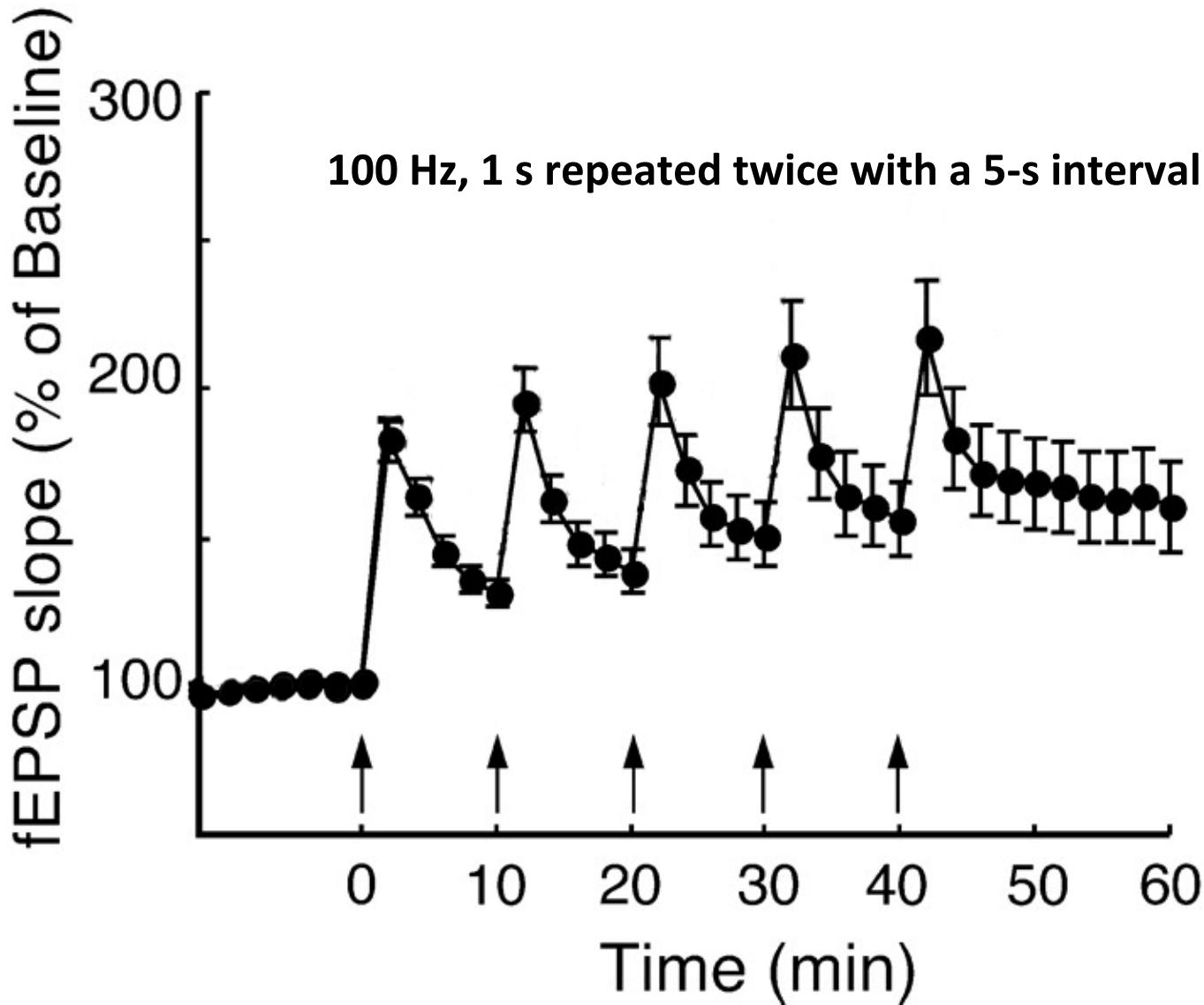
Shouval, Bear and Cooper, PNAS, 2002

General consensus?: Low-levels of longer lasting calcium leads to LTD, while high-levels of short-lasting calcium leads to LTP

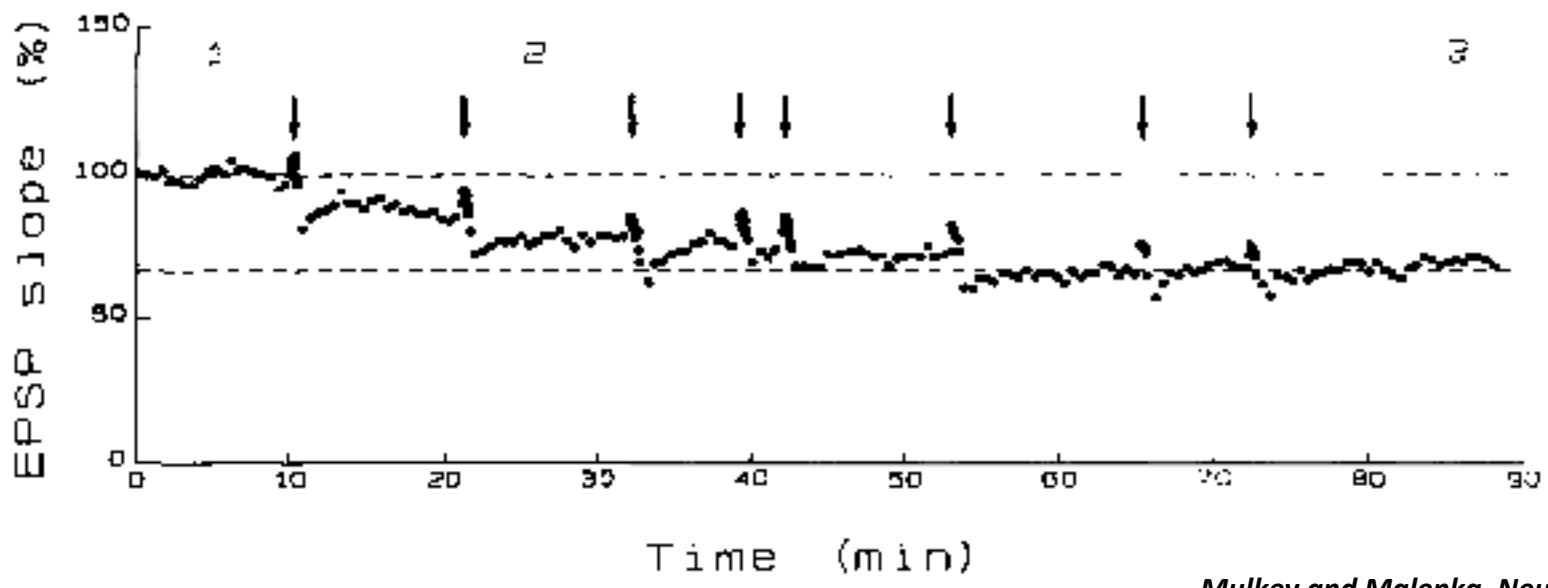
Both amplitude and kinetics of calcium matter, apart from a 1000 other things!

Multiple inductions, one after another!

Saturation of LTP

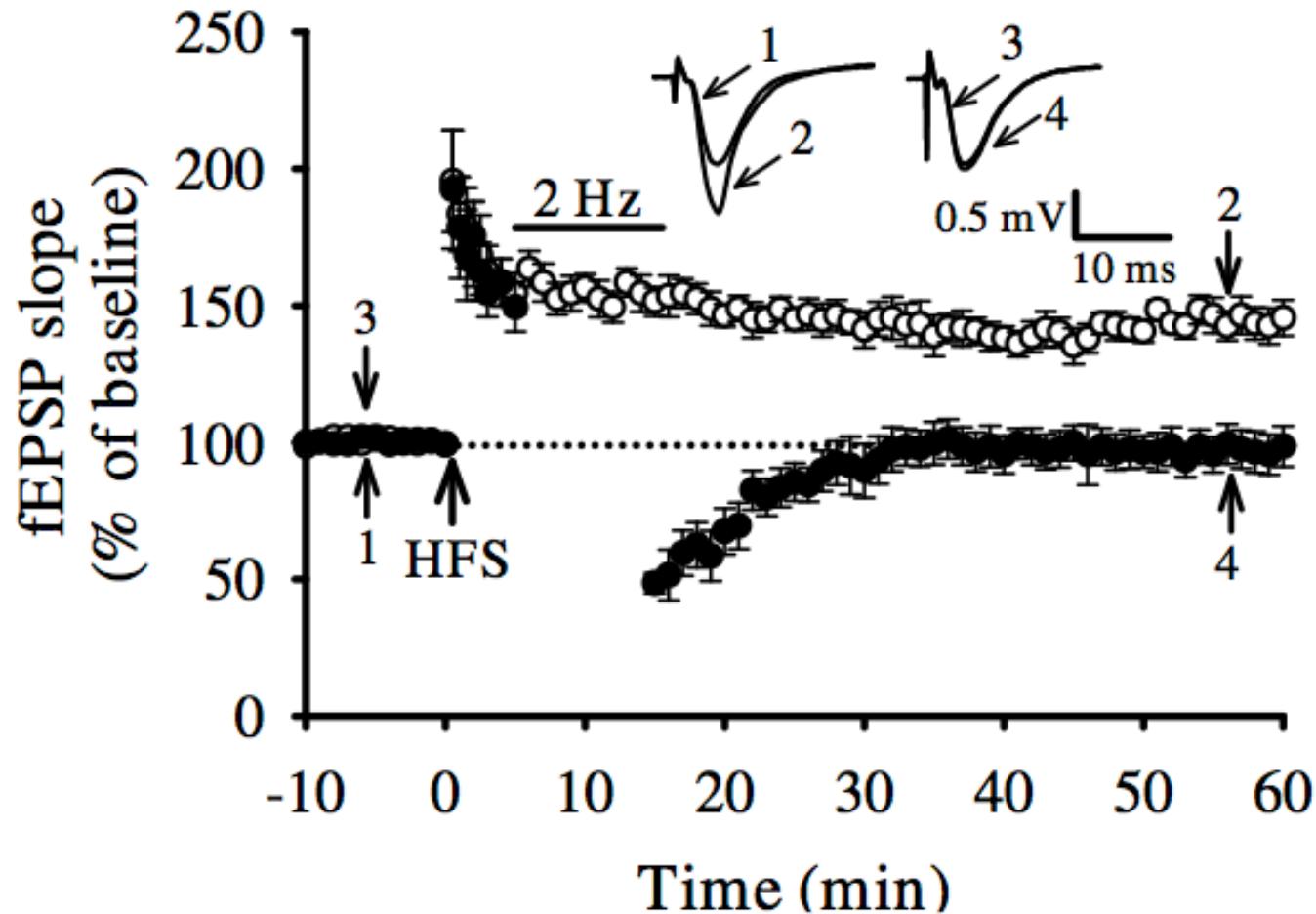


Saturation of LTD

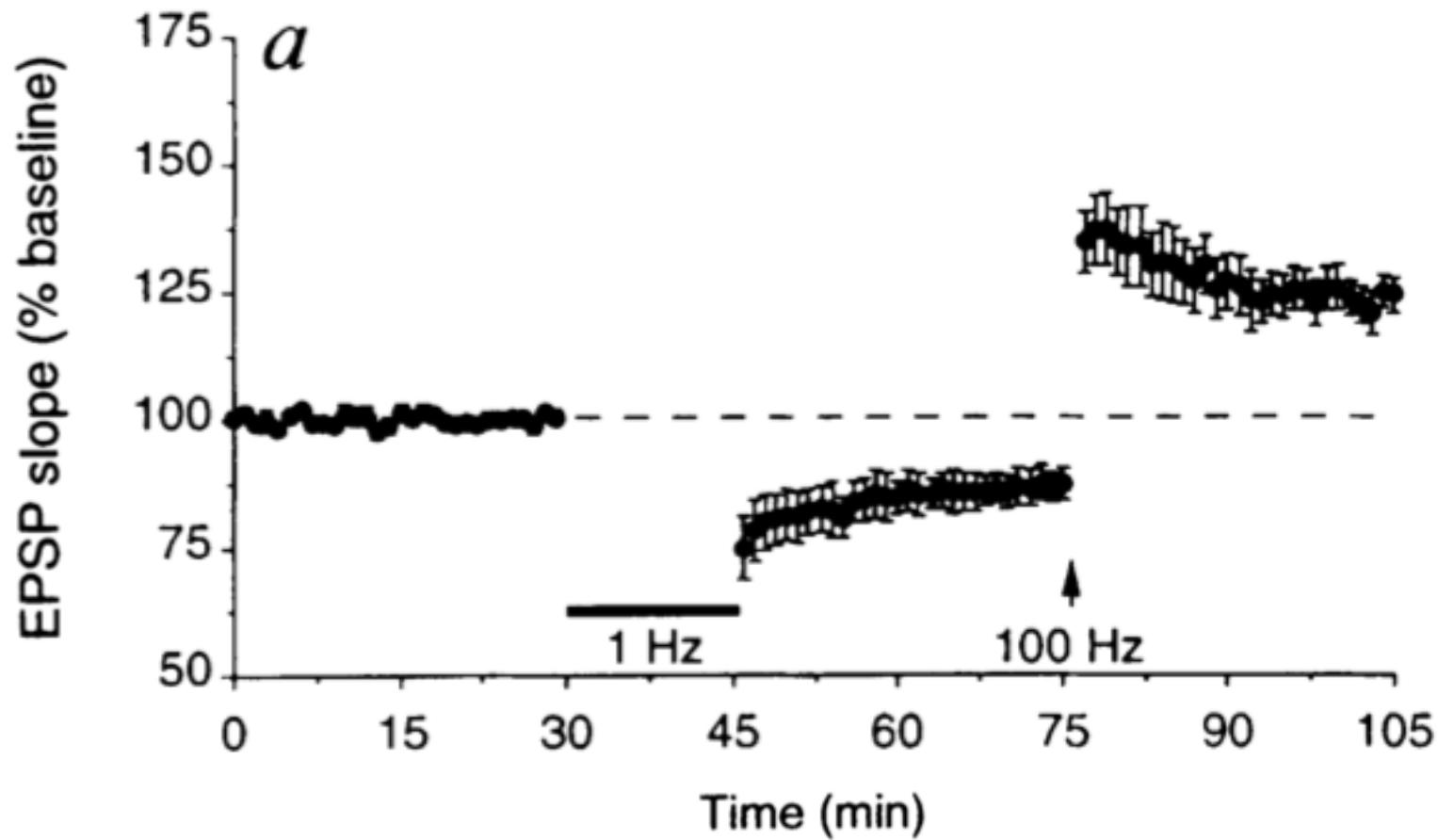


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Depotentiation

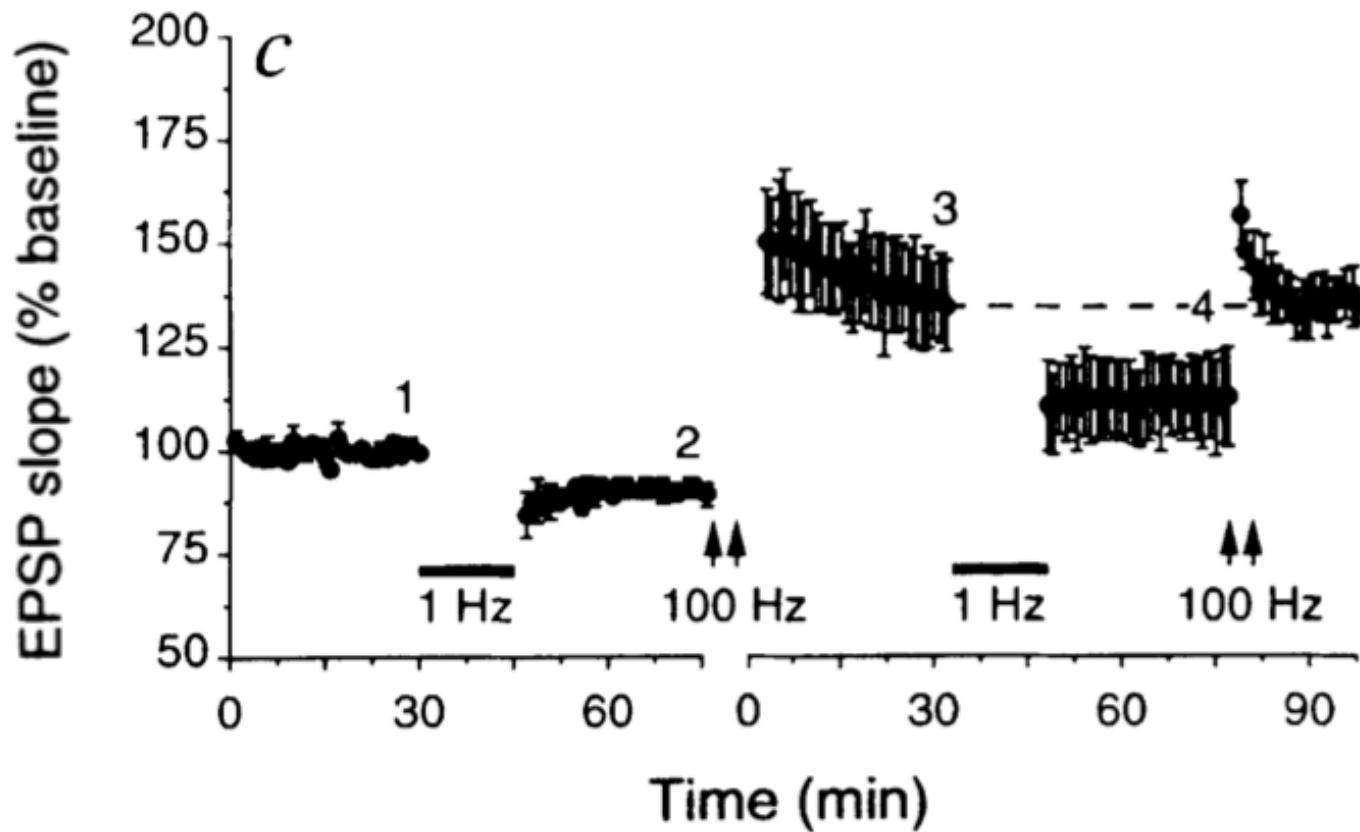


Dedepression



Heynen et al., Nature, 1996

Or, as many!

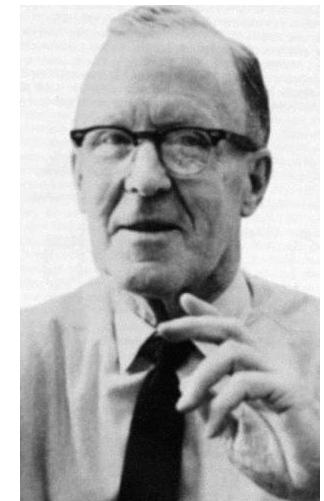


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Spike timing dependent plasticity

What did Hebb really say?

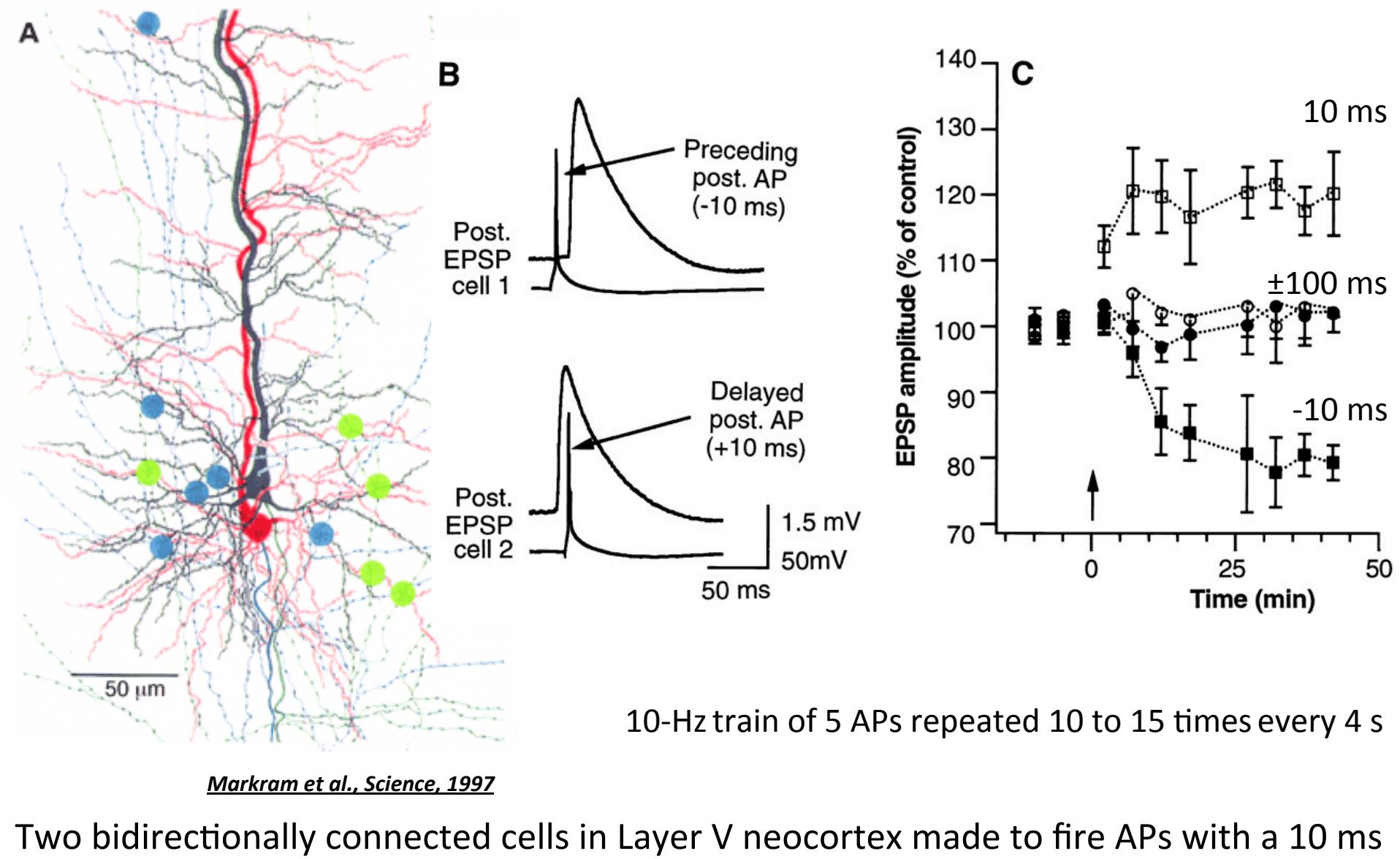
“When an axon of cell A is near enough to excite a cell B and repeatedly and persistently takes part in firing it, some growth process or metabolic change takes place in one or both cells, such that A’s efficiency, as one of the cells firing B, increases.”



Donald Hebb

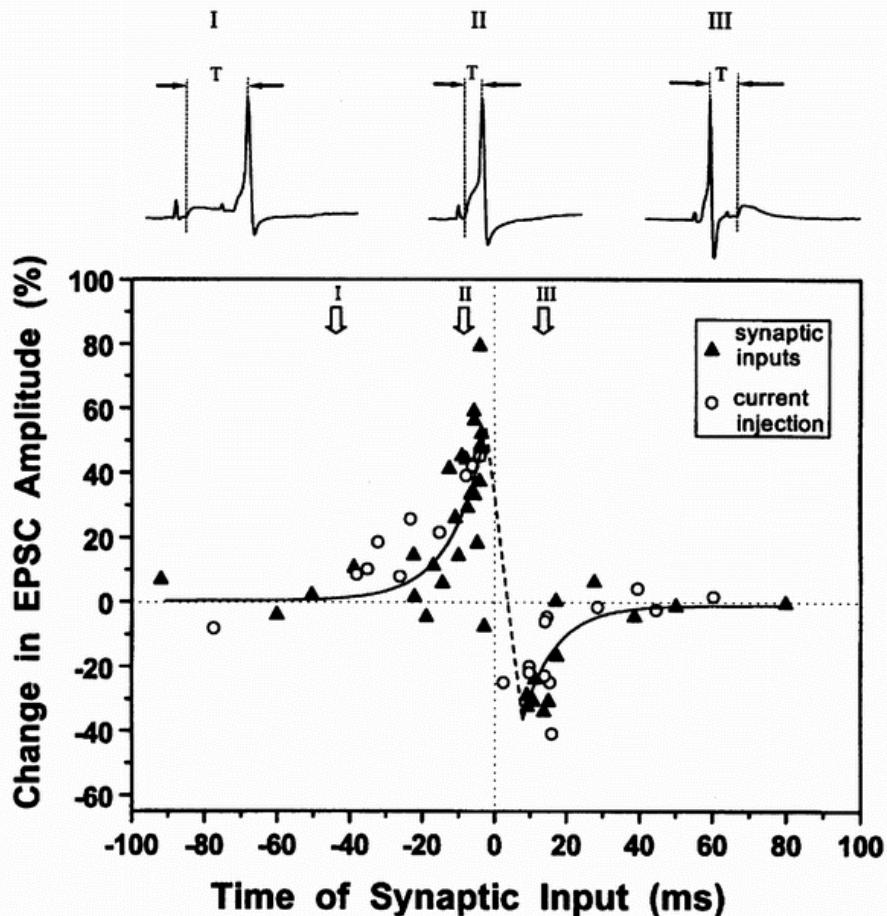
There is a mention about temporal relationship between the action potentials of cell A and cell B

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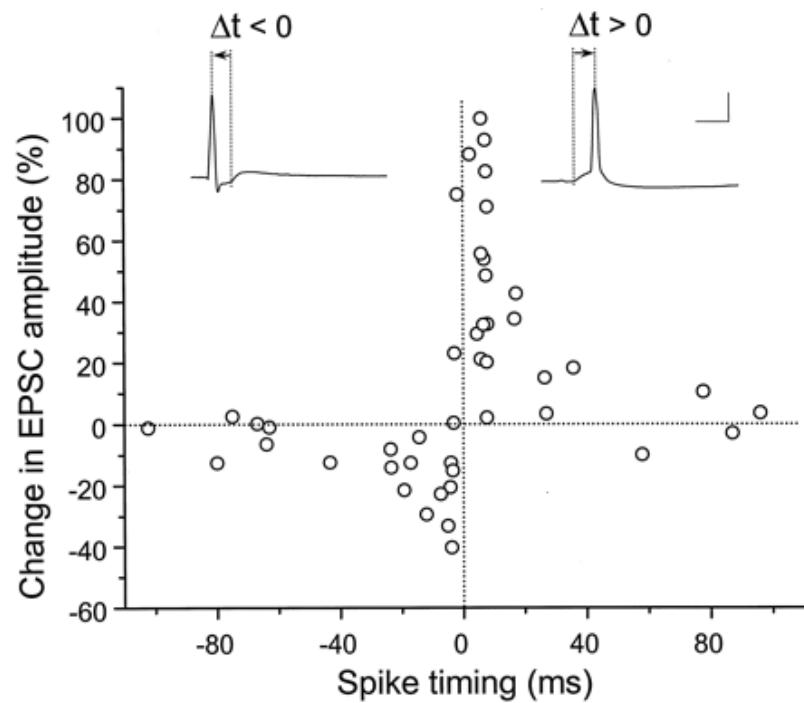


STDP

Xenopus tectal neurons



Rat Hippocampal culture neurons

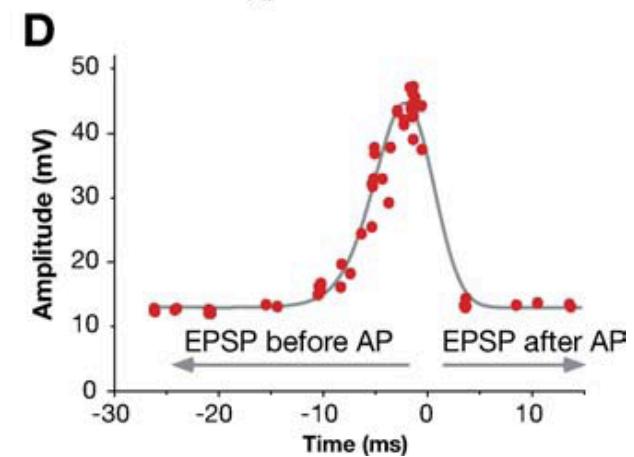
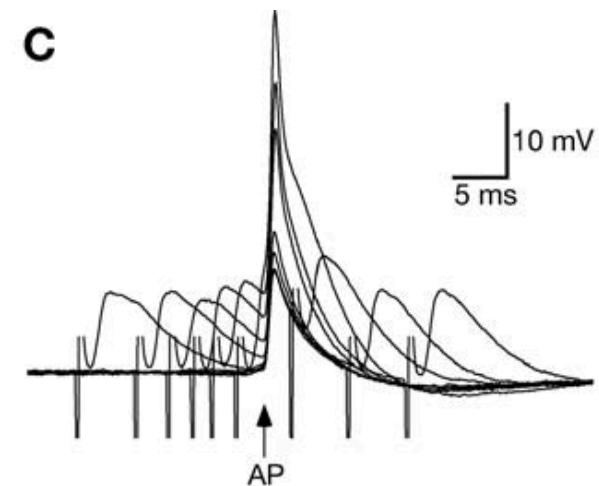
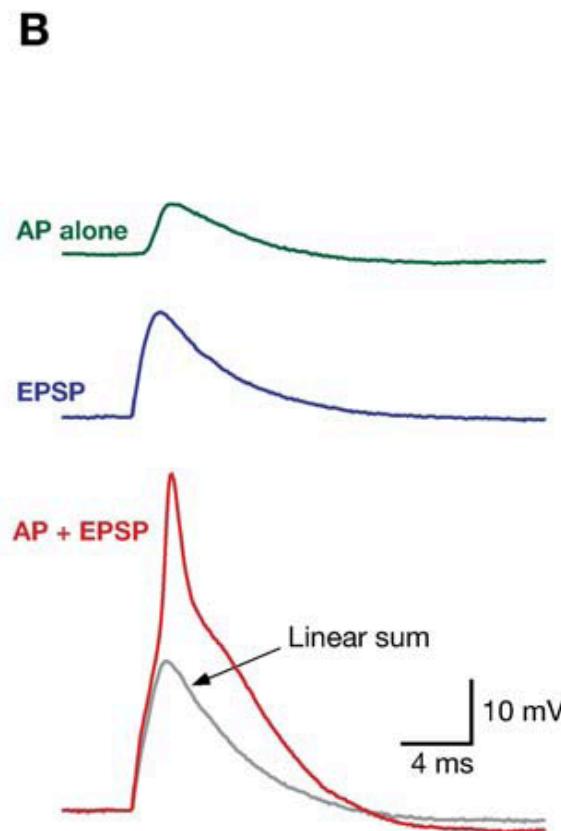
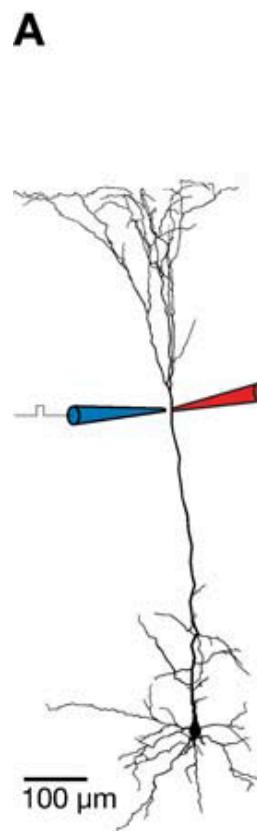


Bi and Poo, JNS, 1998

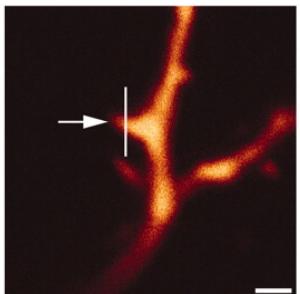
Zhang et al., Nature, 1998

Coincidence detection

We saw this slide in the second lecture on dendrites!

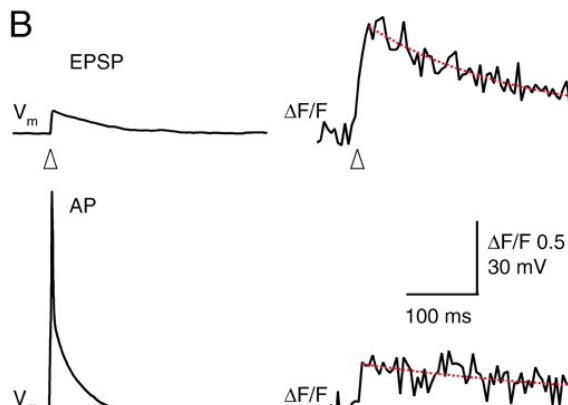


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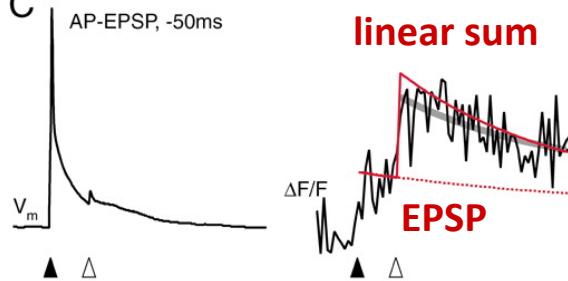


Calcium detection of positive and negative timing

B

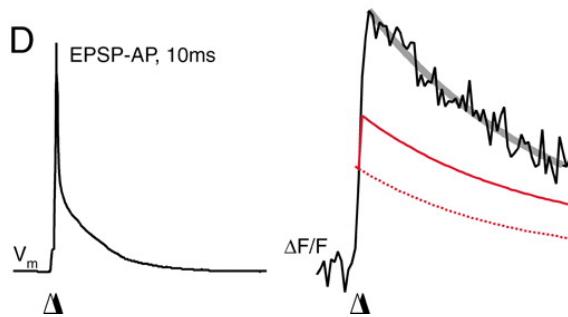


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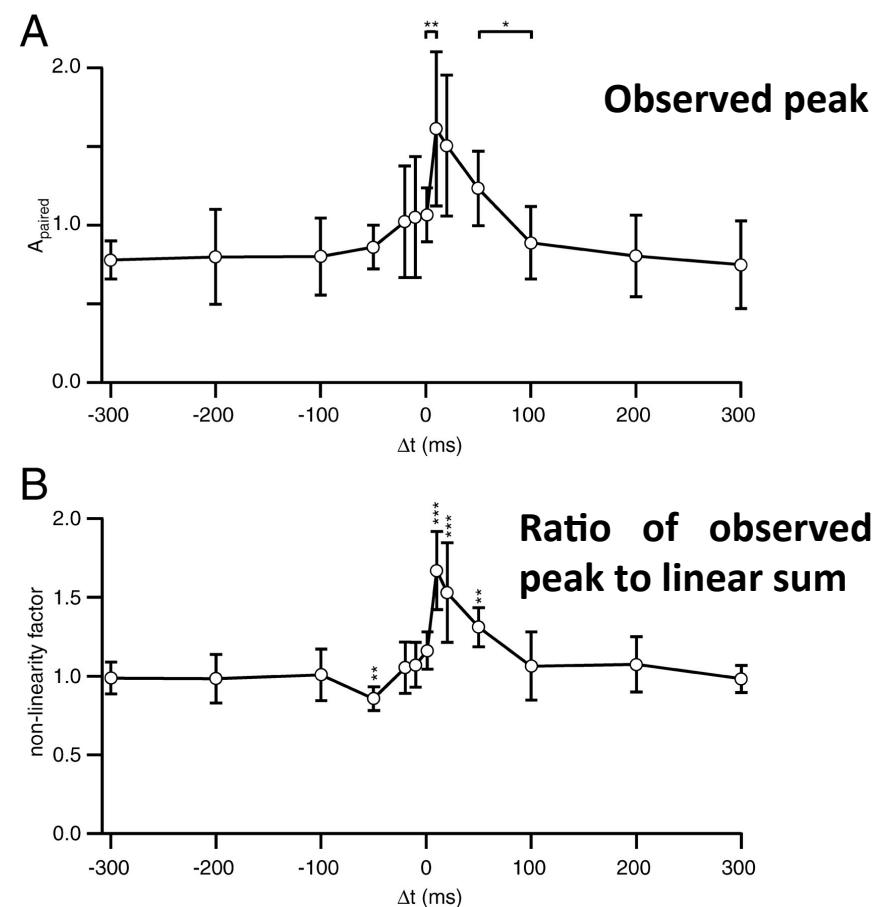


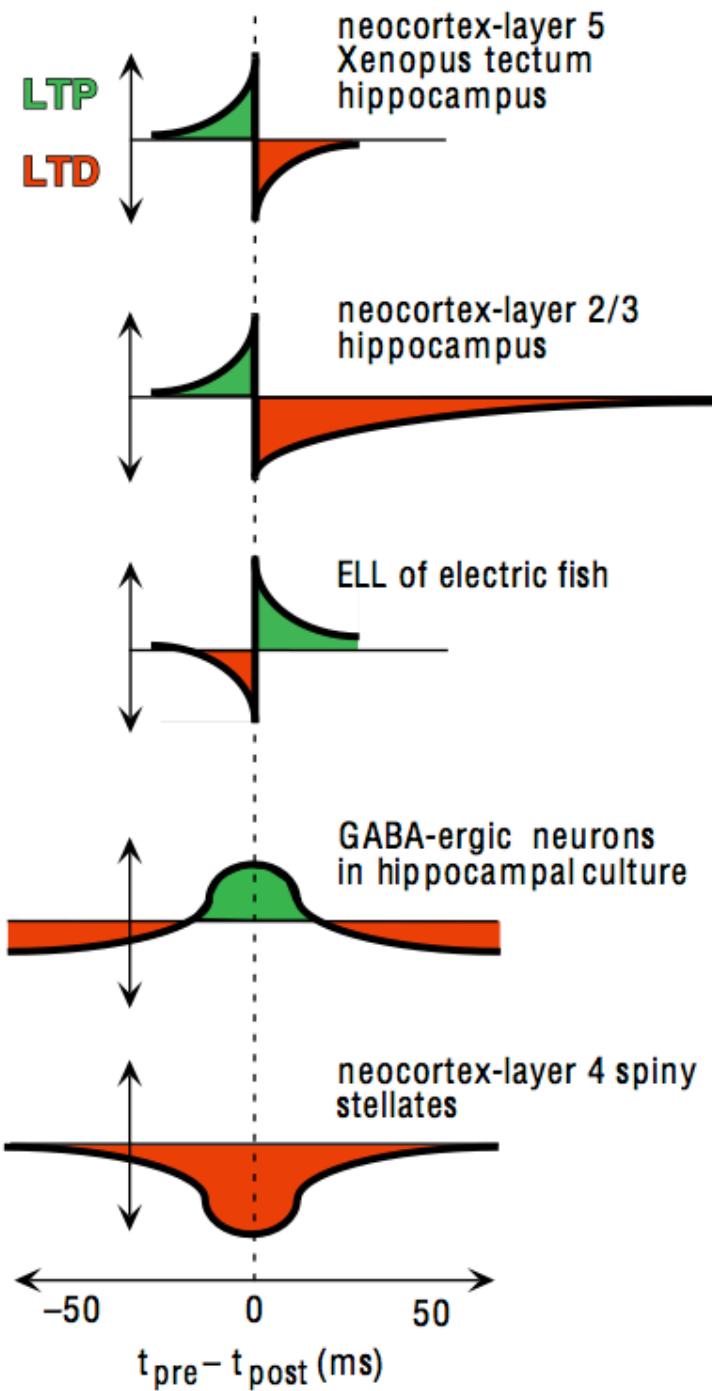
Sublinear

D



Supralinear

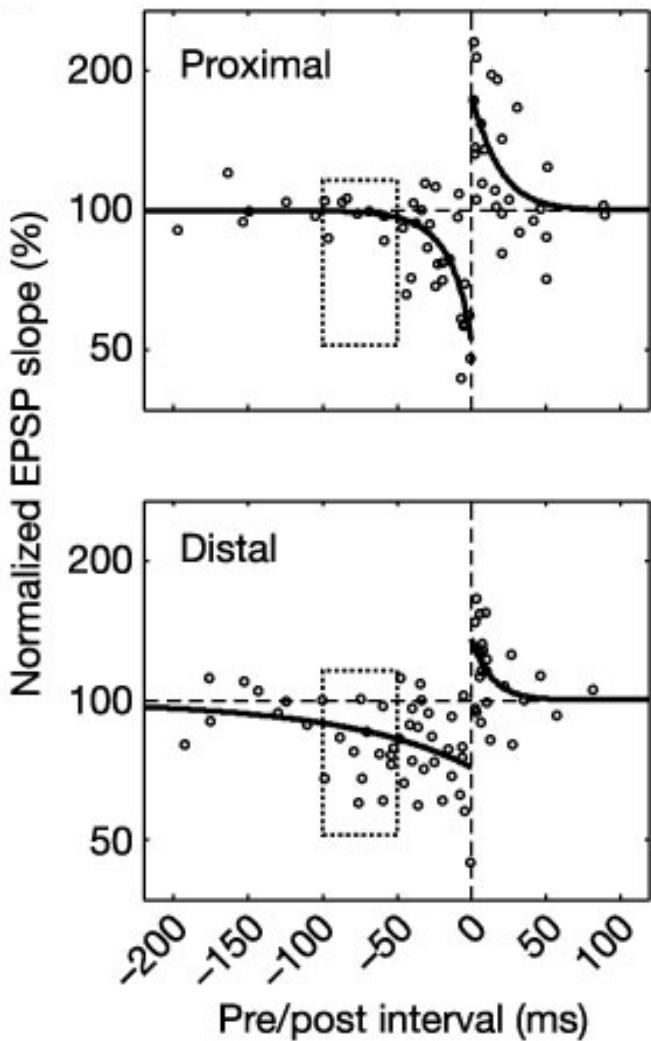




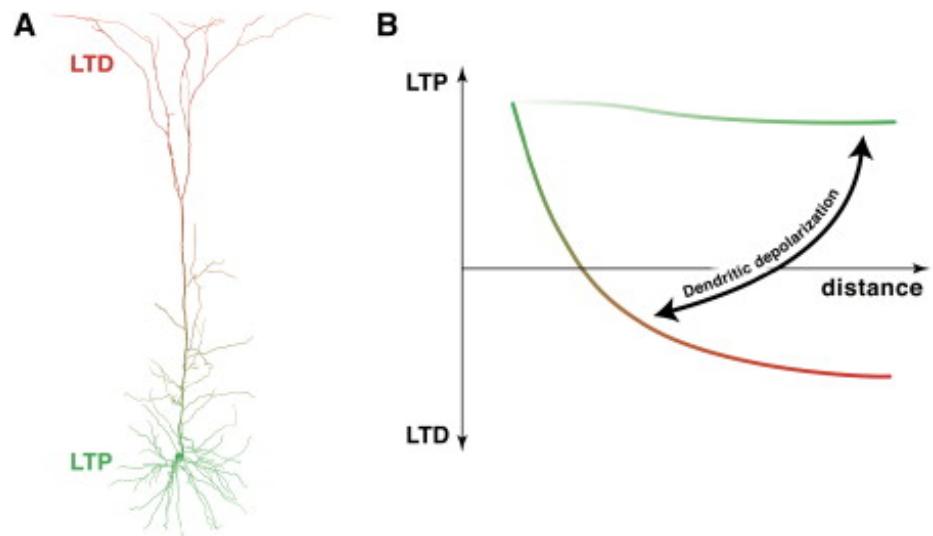
Different synapses have different plasticity profiles!

Plasticity is also dependent on dendritic location

Layer 2/3 neocortex



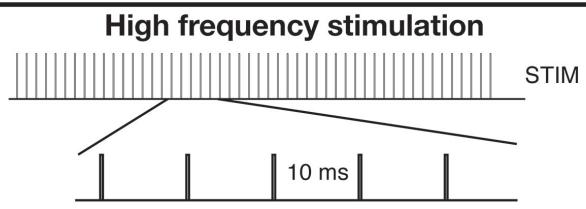
Layer 5 neocortex



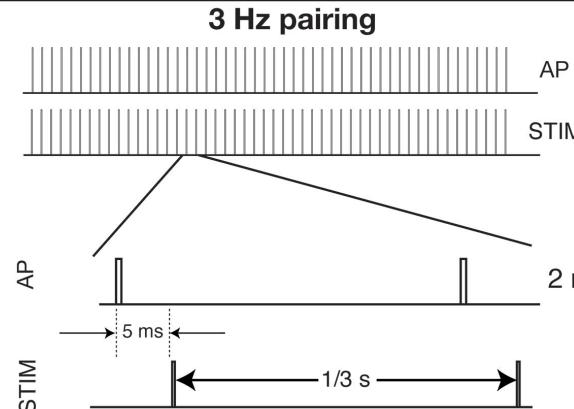
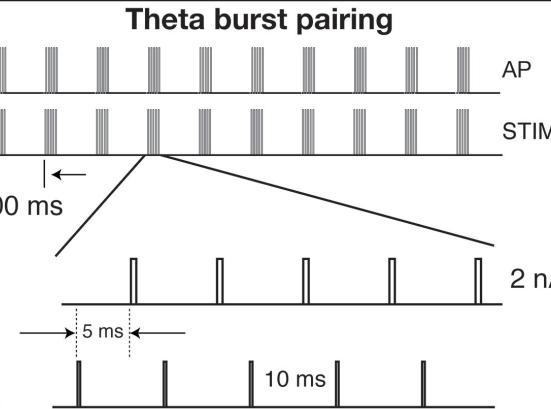
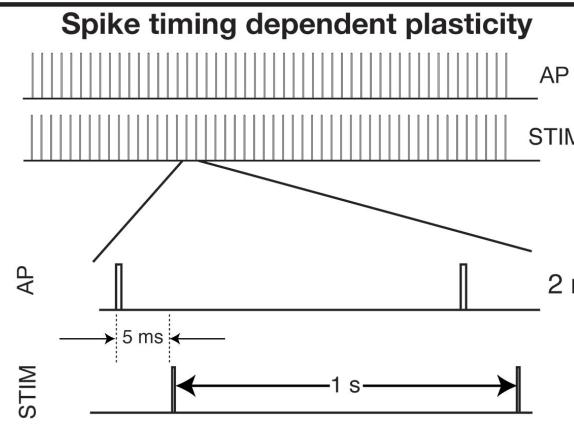
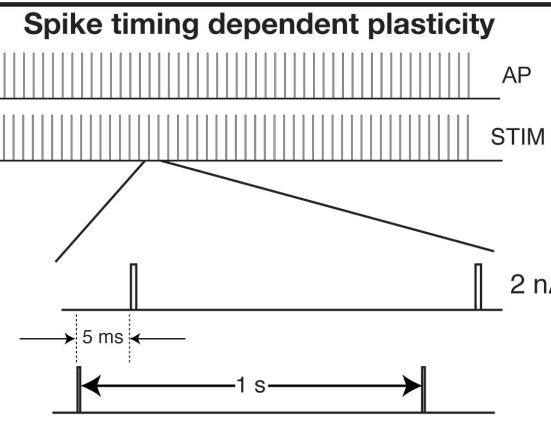
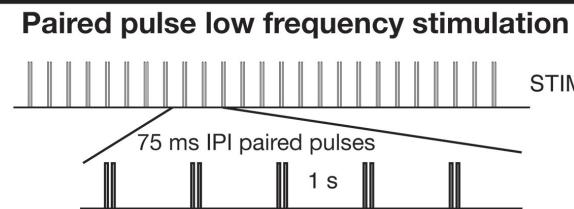
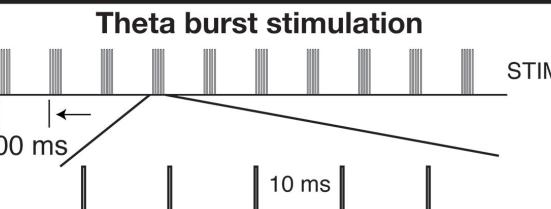
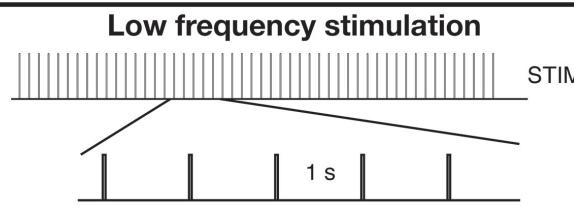
Sjostrom and Häusser, Neuron, 2006

Both are controlled by the spread of backpropagating action potentials

Induction of long-term potentiation



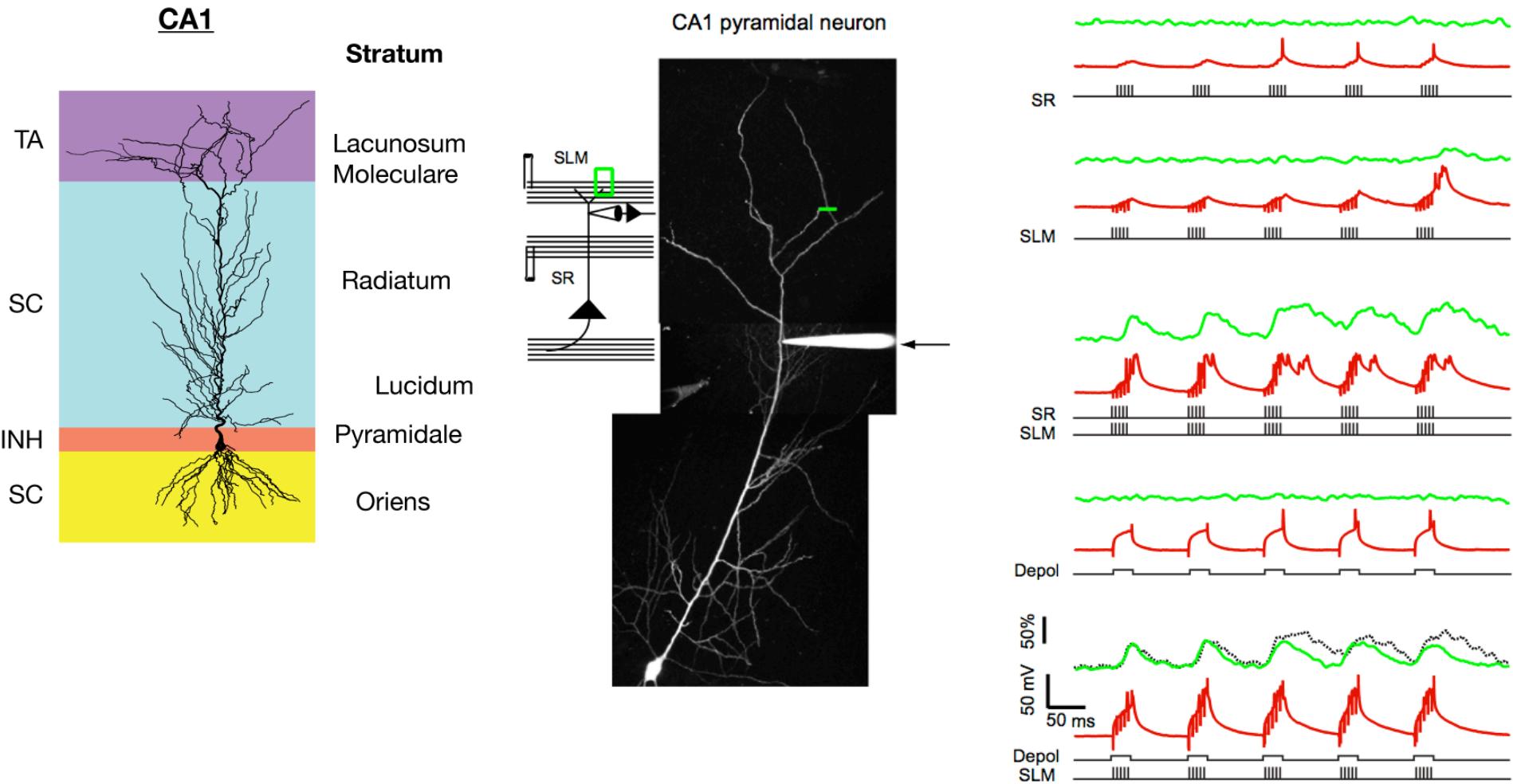
Induction of long-term depression



Several induction protocols!!

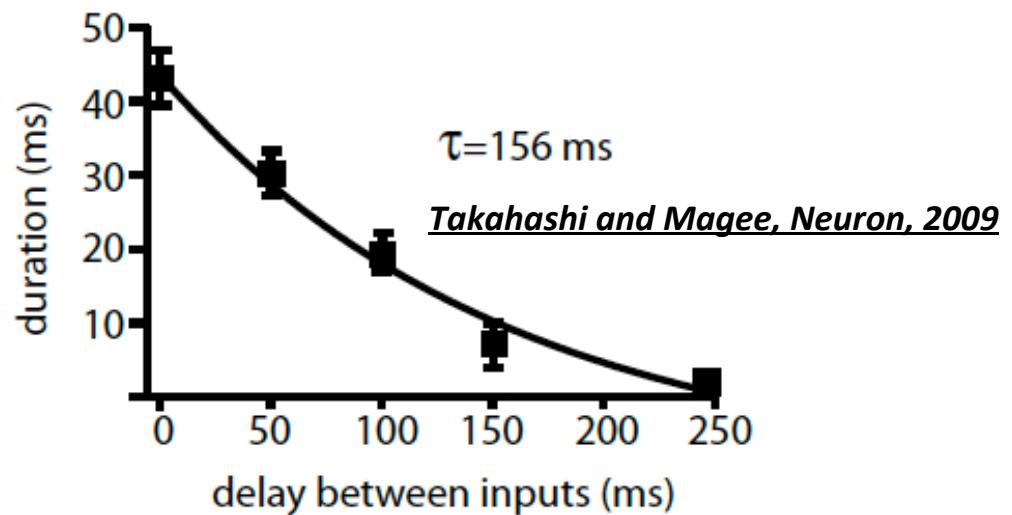
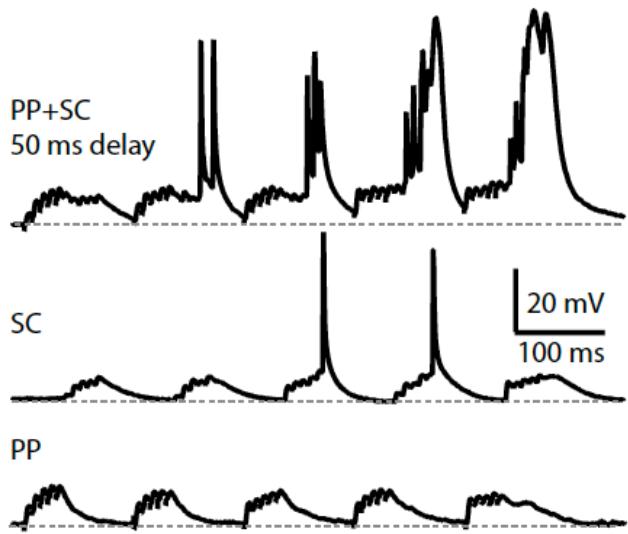
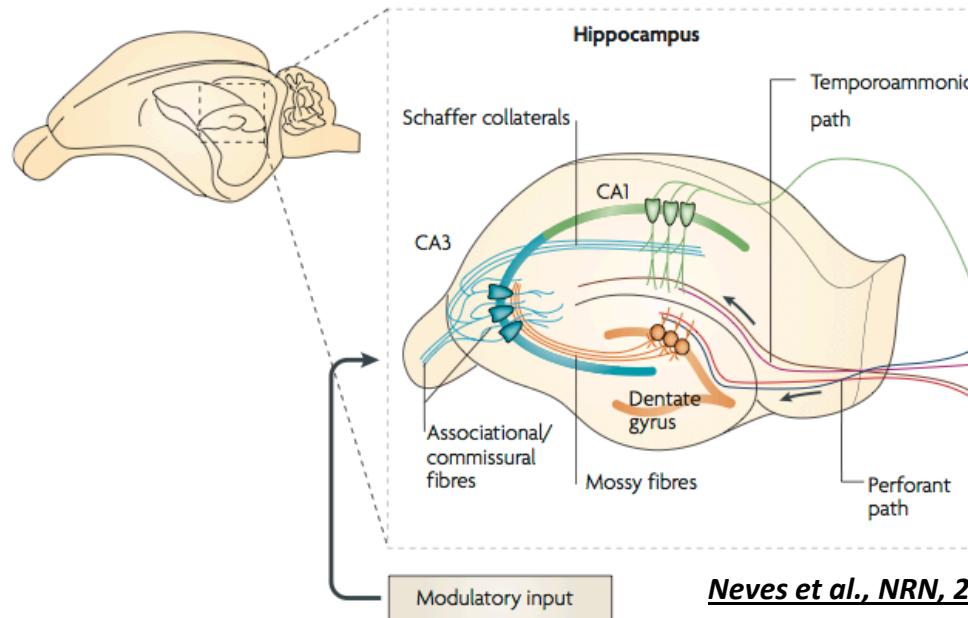
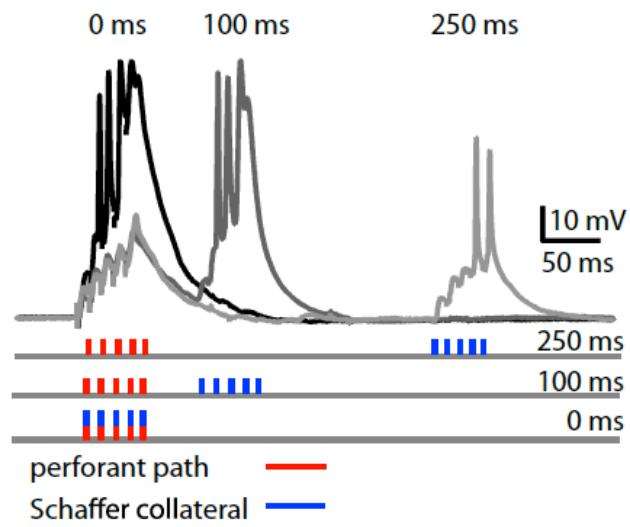
Plateau potential based LTP protocols

Means to get dendritic spikes in hippocampal pyramids

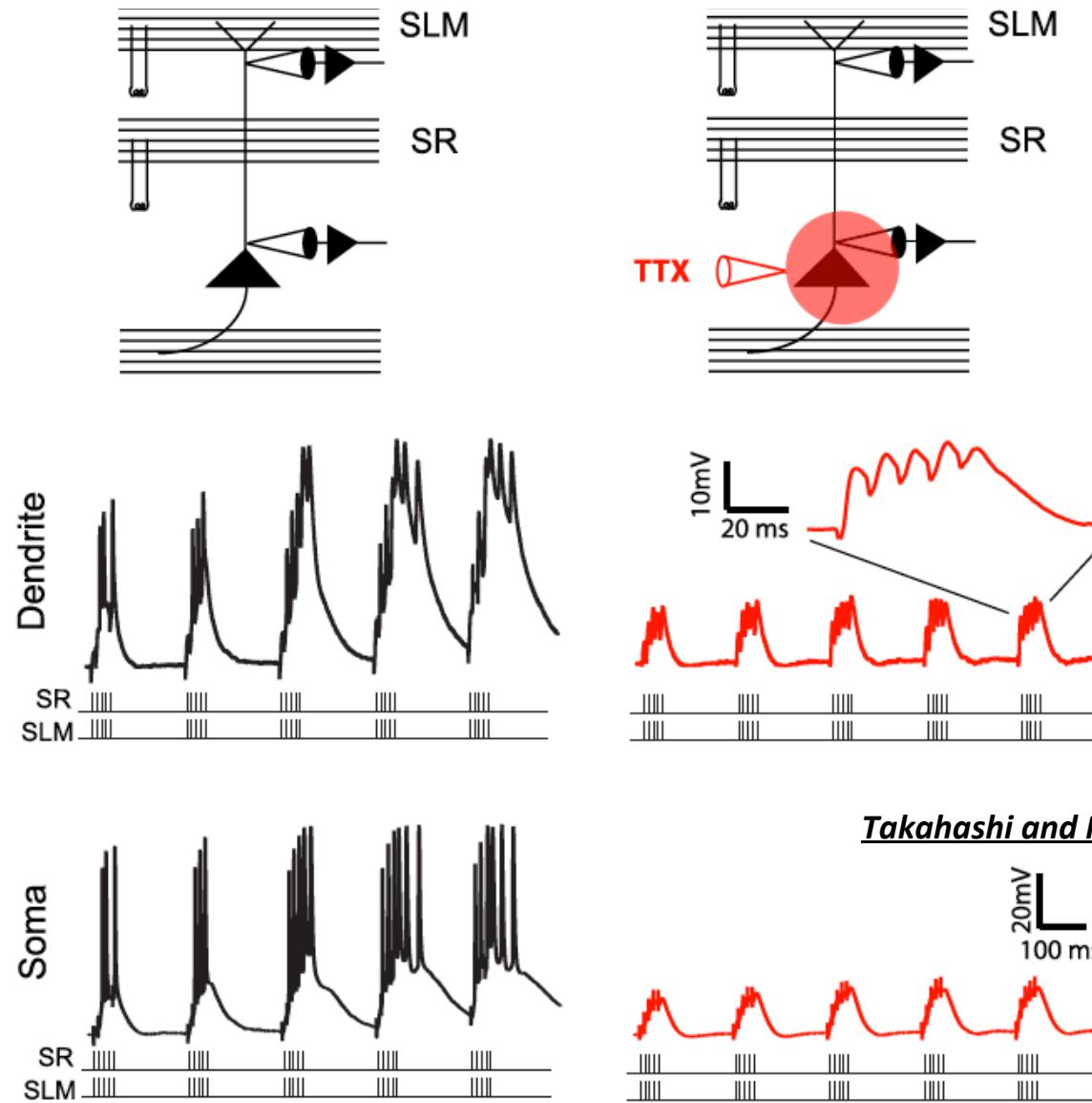


Takahashi and Magee, Neuron, 2009

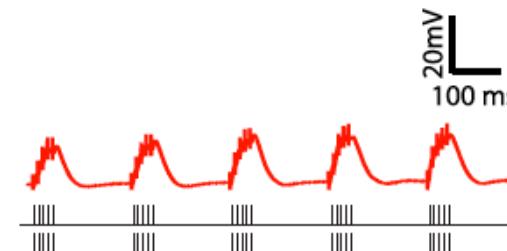
Pathway interactions to obtain dendritic plateau potentials in hippocampal pyramids



Backpropagating action potentials contribute to plateau potentials

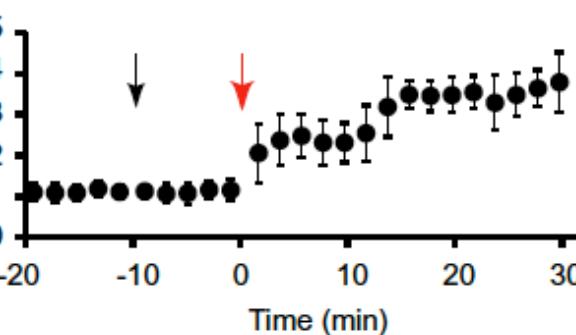
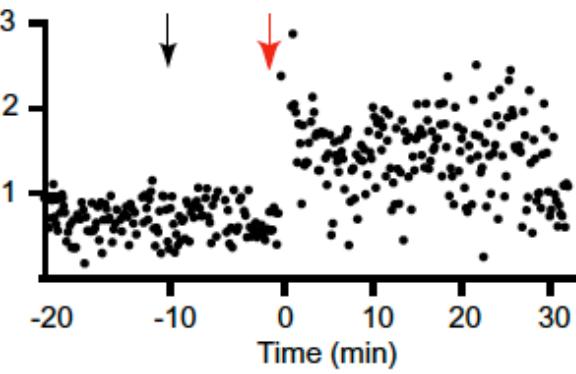
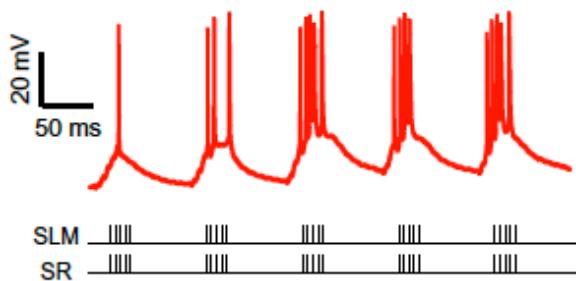


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SLM SR



Plateau potentials resulting from pathway interactions result in perforant path LTP

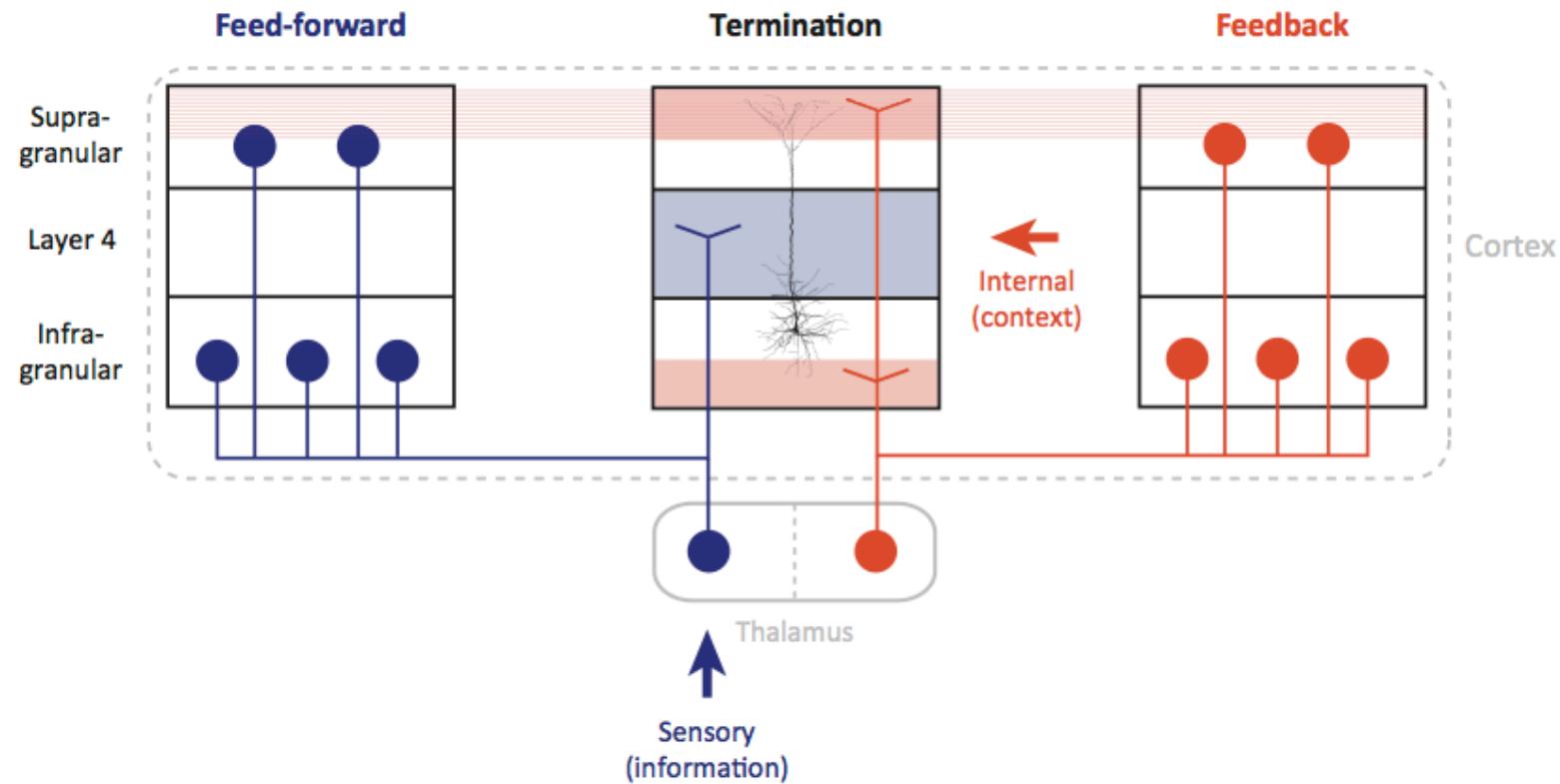
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An interesting synthesis

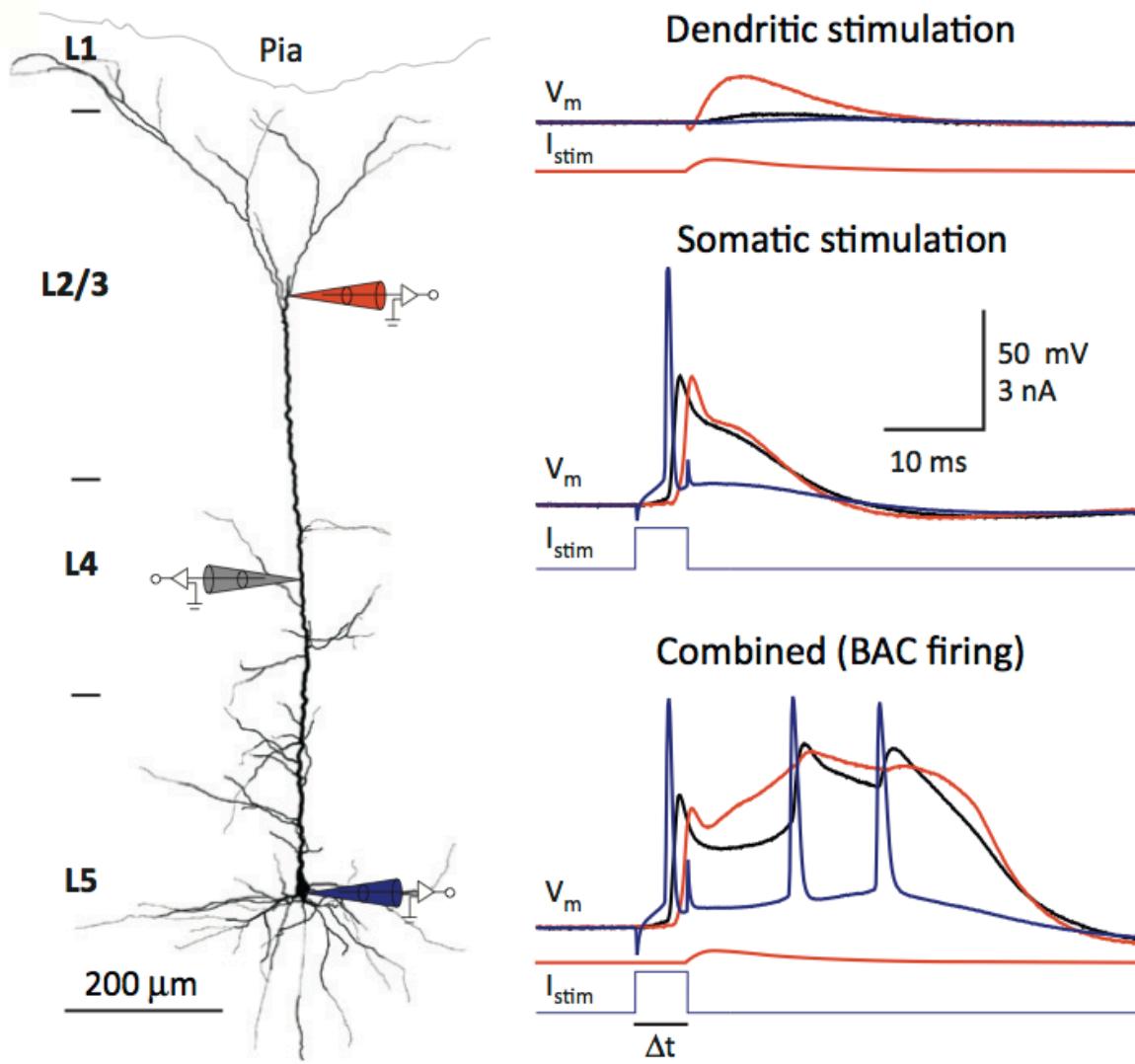
A cellular mechanism for cortical associations: an organizing principle for the cerebral cortex

Trends in Neurosciences (2012)

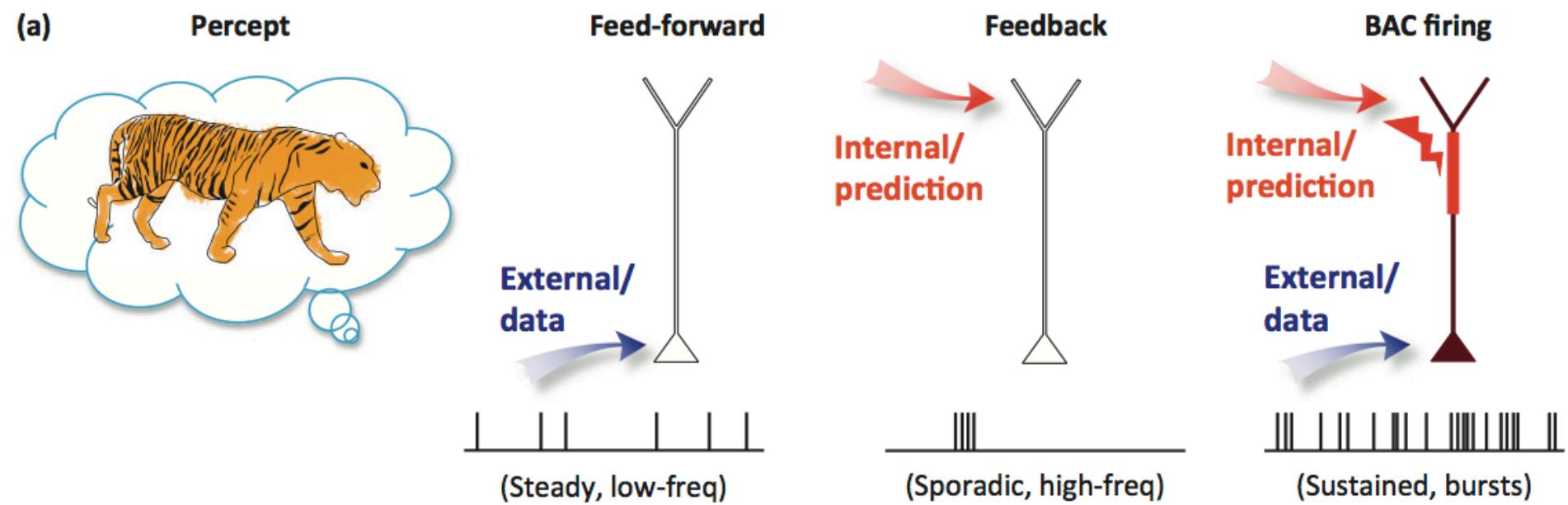
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An interesting synthesis of cross-pathway interactions



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An interesting synthesis of cross-pathway interactions

(b)

Hierarchy

Higher

V5 (motion)



V4 (color, higher features)



IT (shape)

V1 (orientation)



IT (shape)

(e.g., frontal)

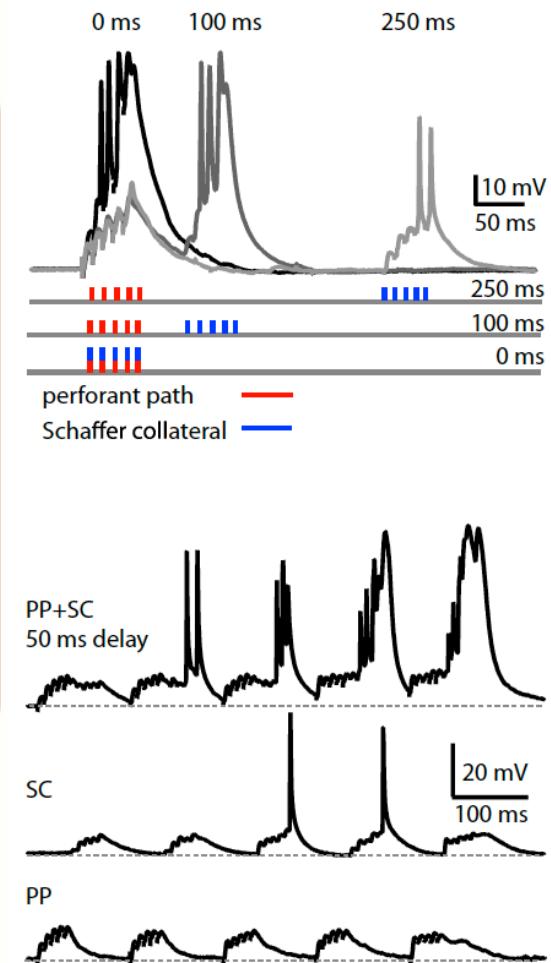
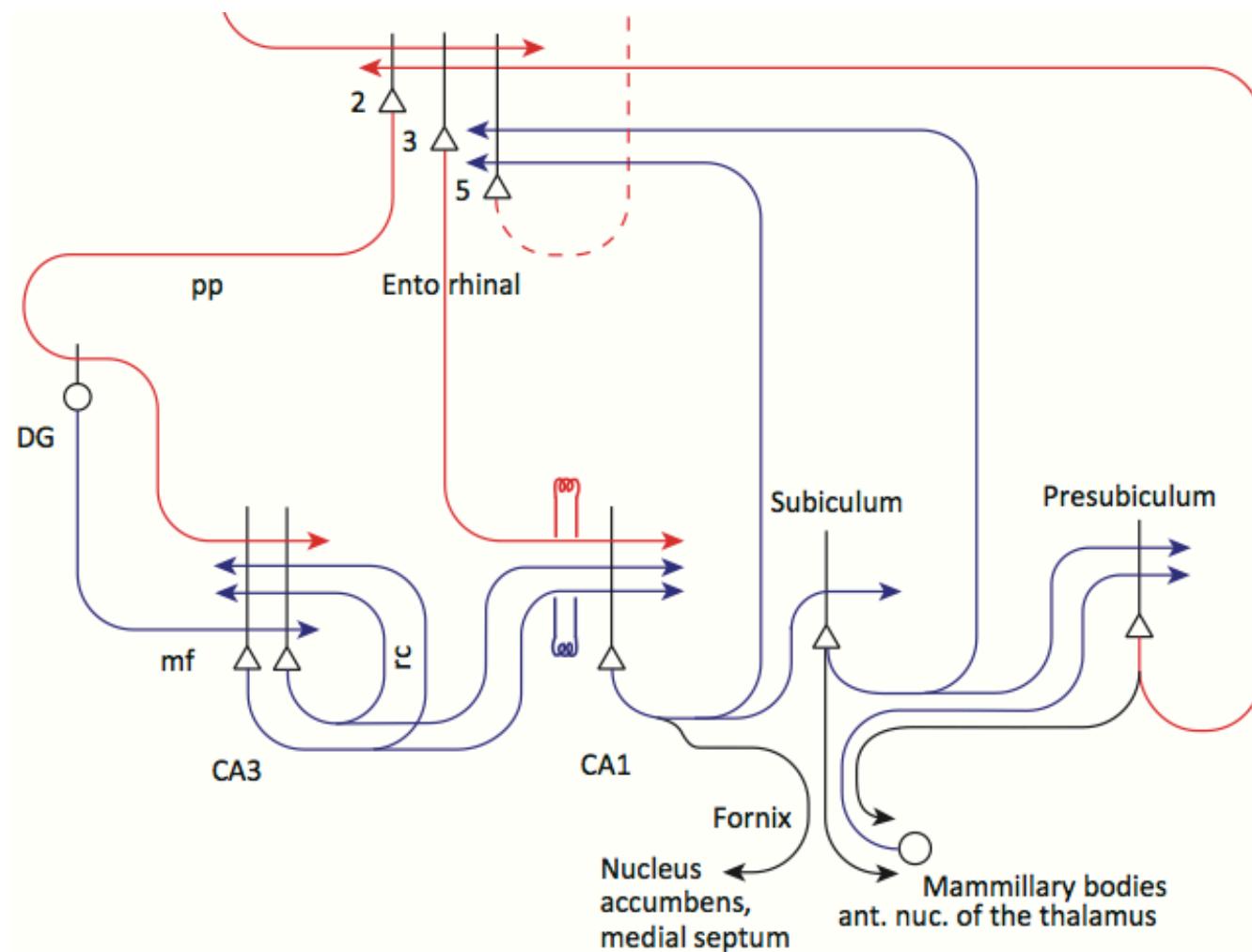
(2nd order
thalamic)

(e.g., parietal
areas and
2nd order
thalamic)

(e.g., V2,V3,etc. and)
2nd order
thalamic

Lower

An interesting synthesis: the hippocampus also has a similar organization

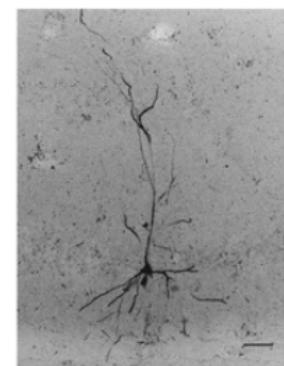
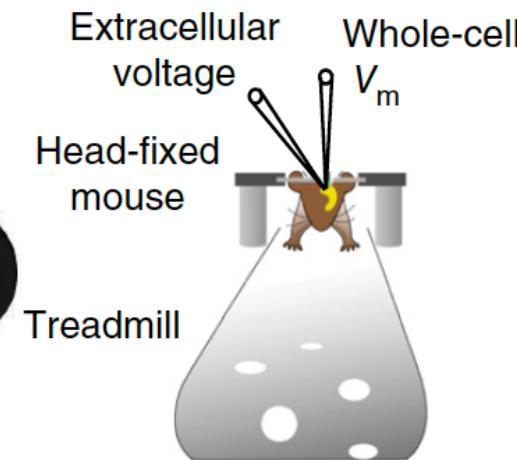
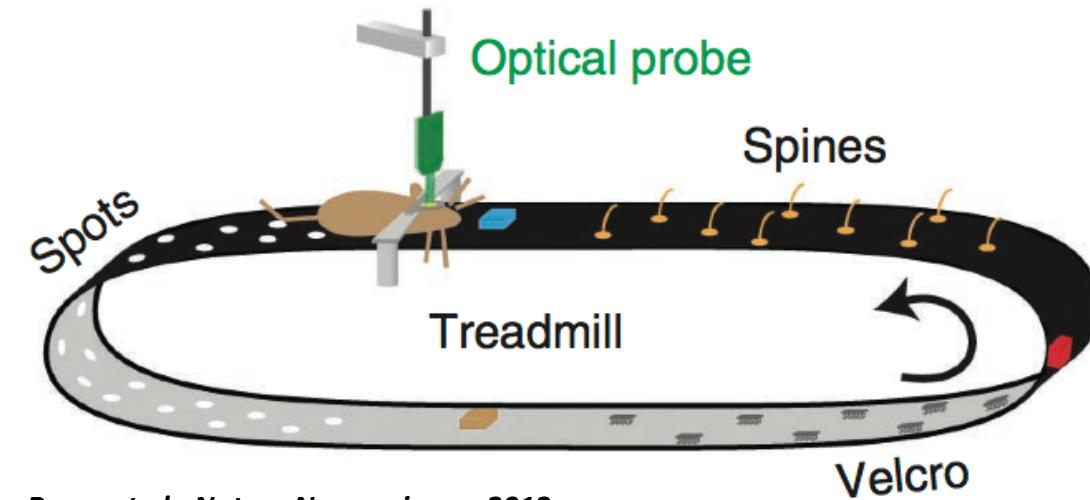


Place cells and plateau potentials

Conjunctive input processing drives feature selectivity
in hippocampal CA1 neurons

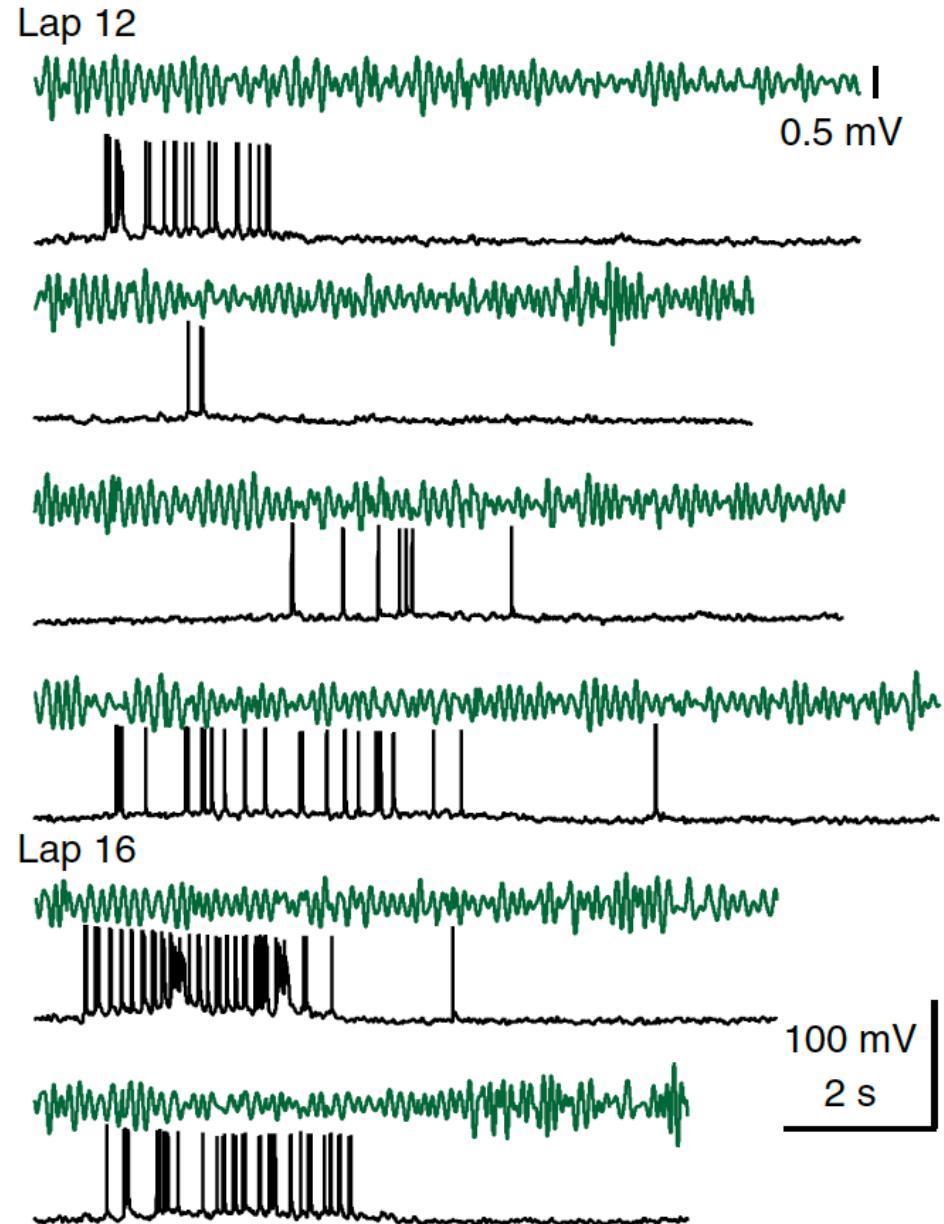
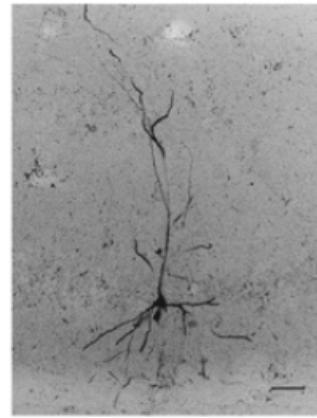
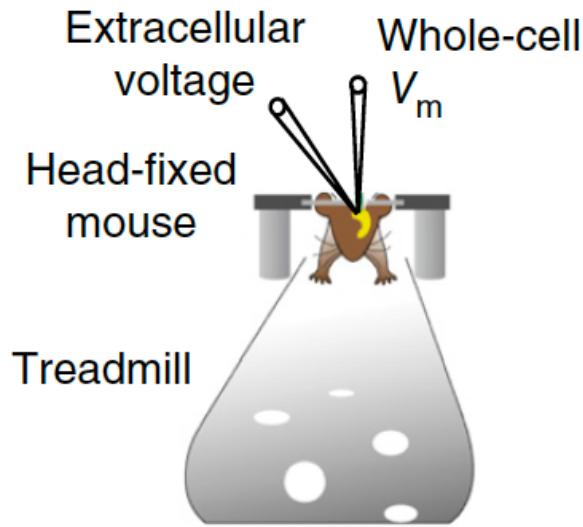
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Nature Neuroscience 18, 1133–1142 (2015).

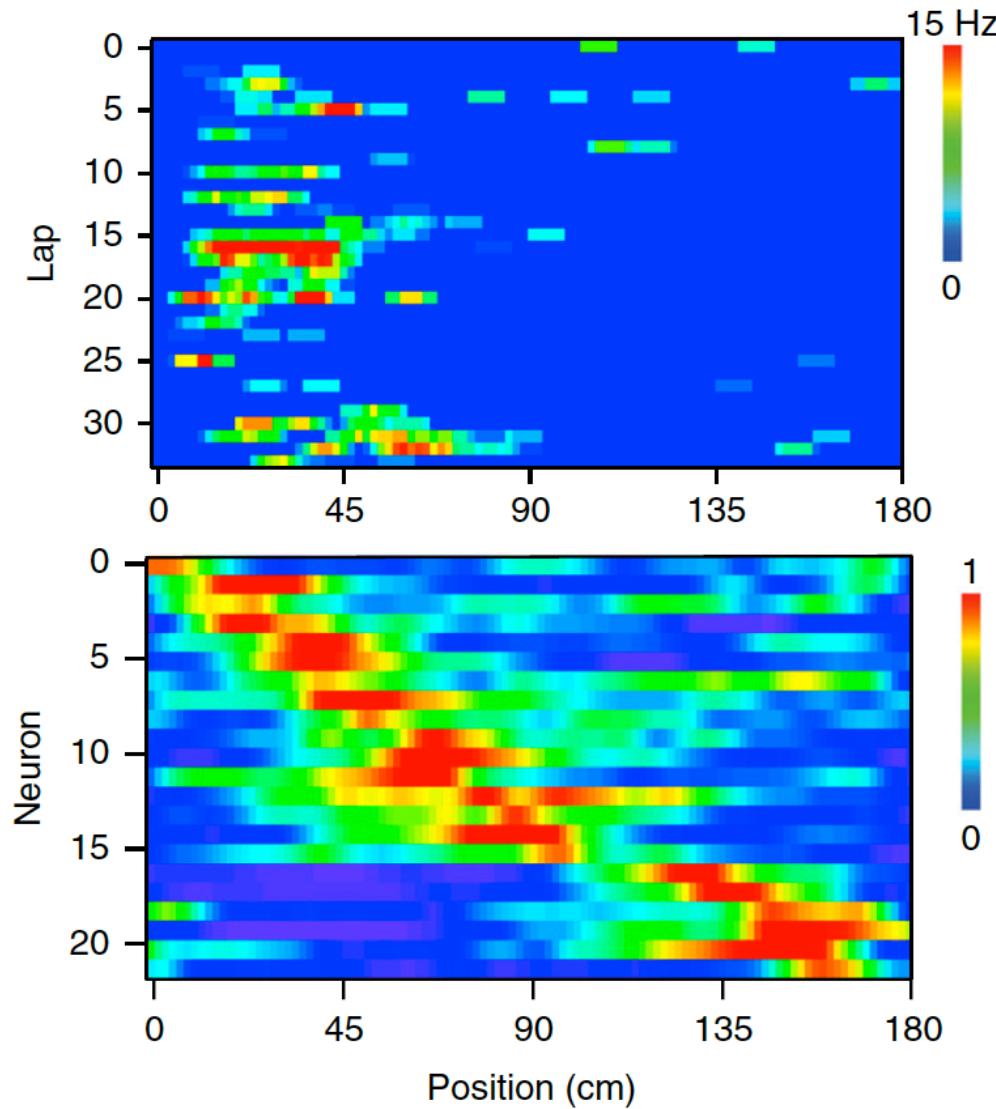


Royer et al., Nature Neuroscience, 2012

Typical place cell on the treadmill



Different cells, different place.

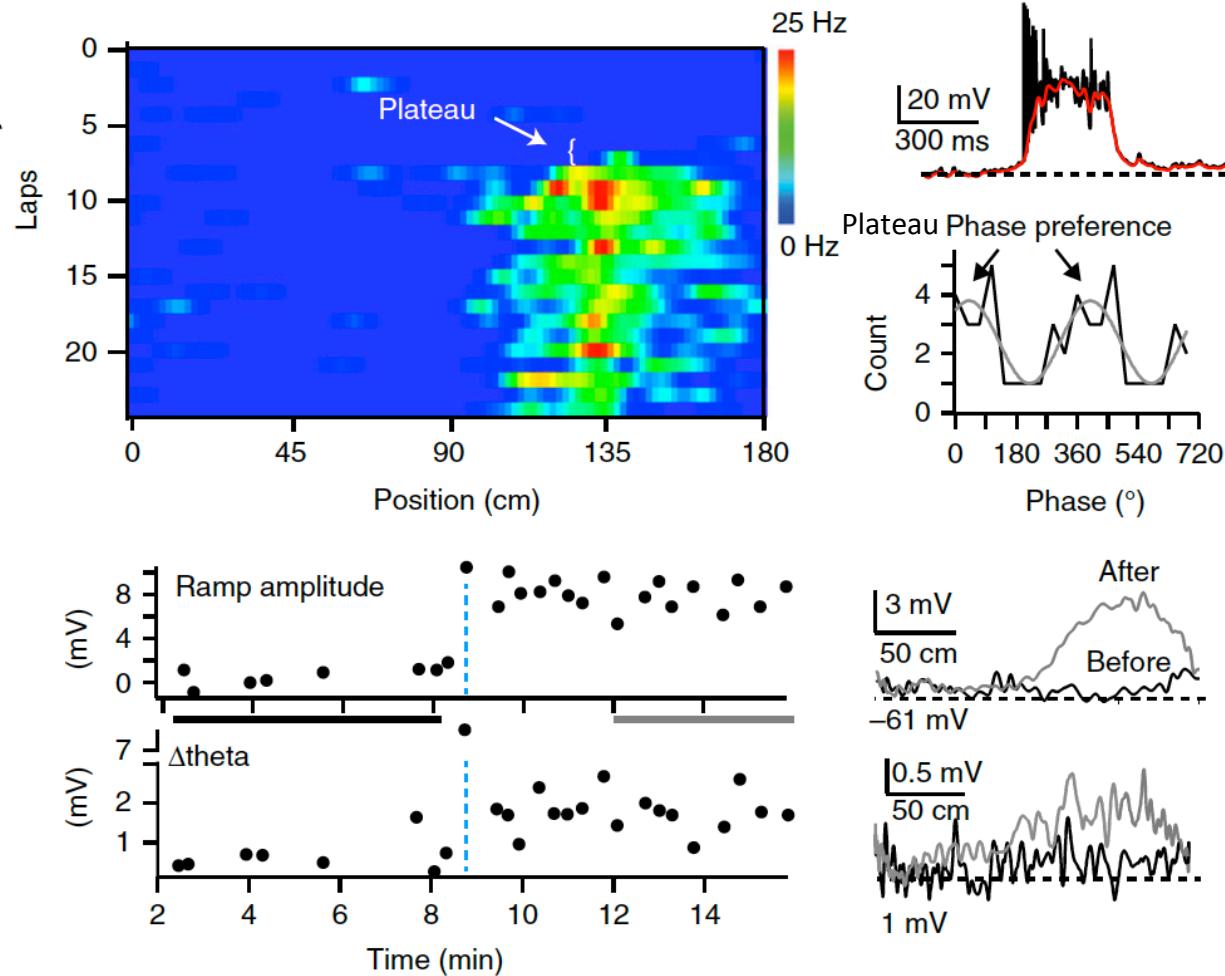
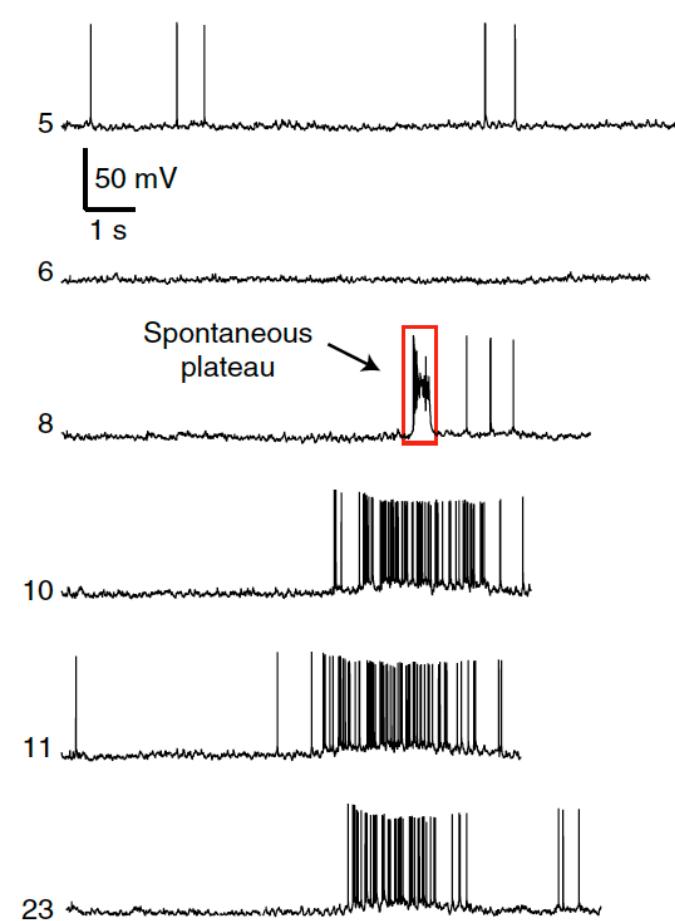


Single place cell, different laps

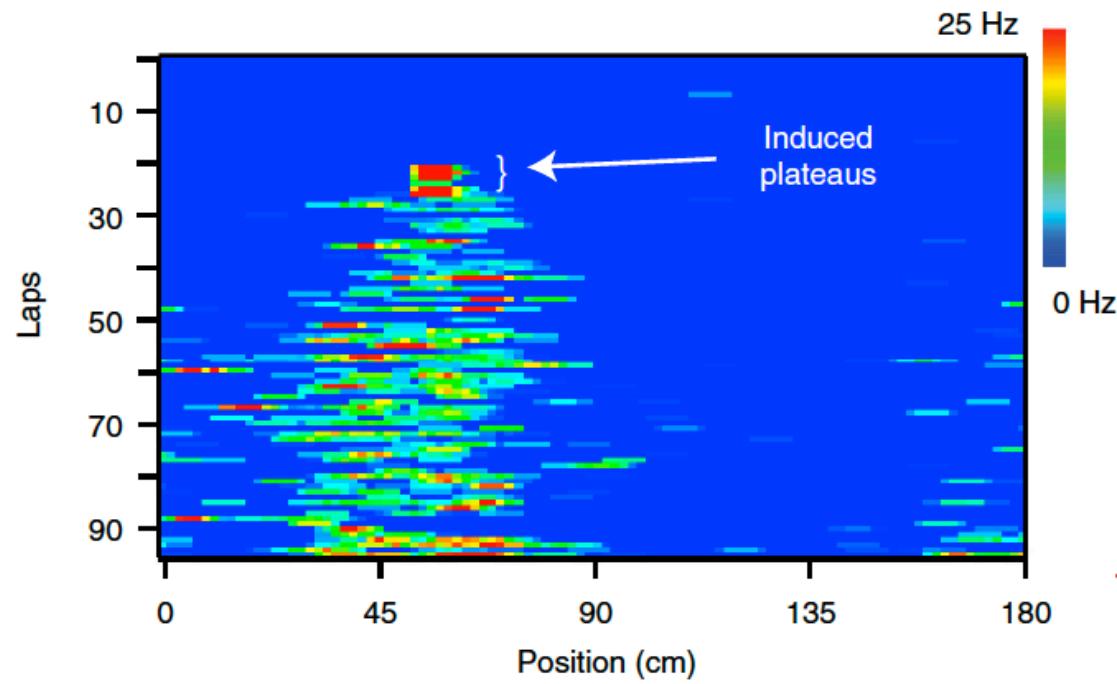
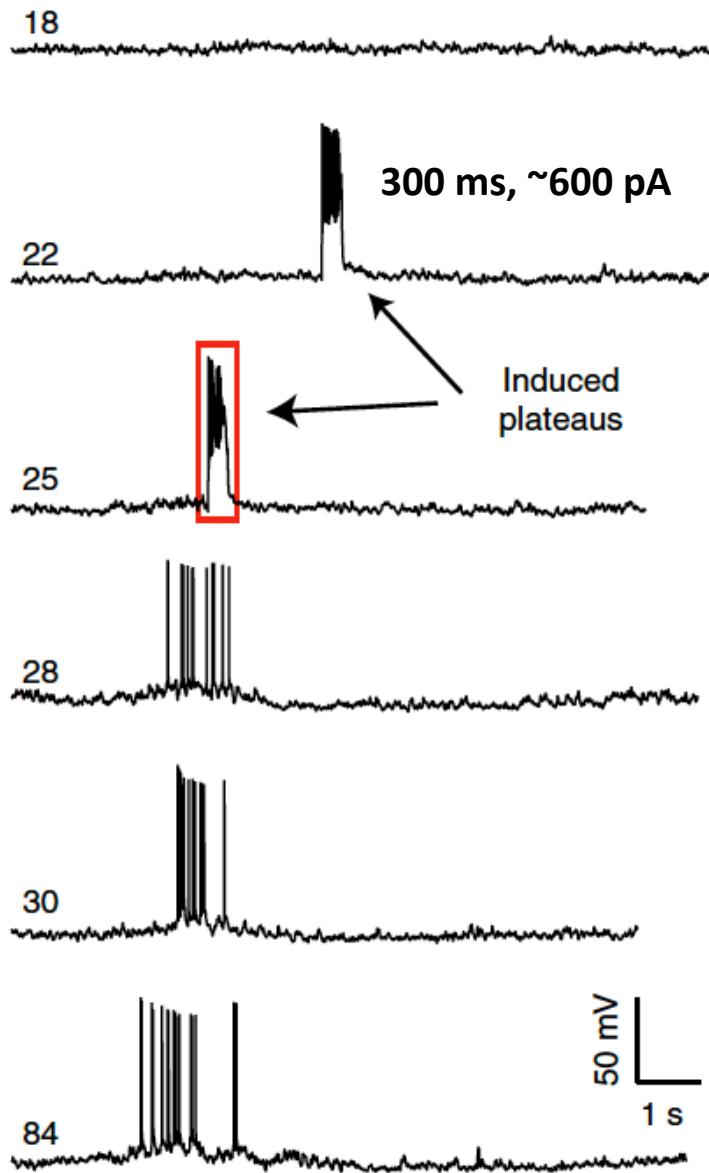
22 place cells from 21 mice

Spontaneous plateaus are associated with new place field formation

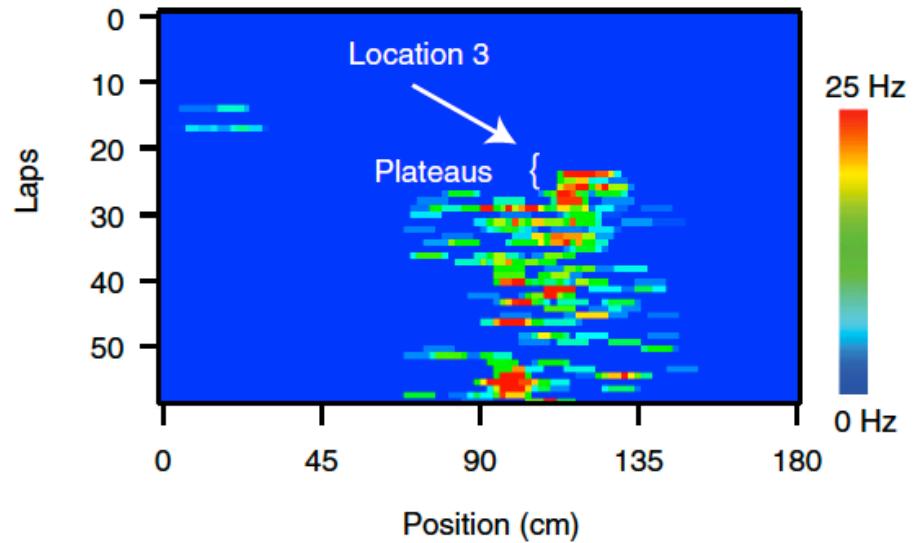
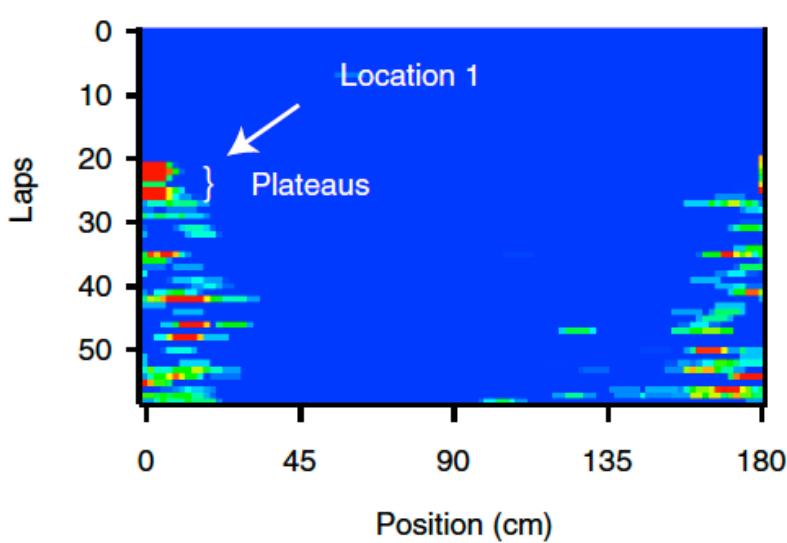
Place fields in silent cells formed after appearance of a large plateau potential



Artificial plateaus are sufficient to drive new place field formation



Artificial plateaus are sufficient to drive new place field formation at any arbitrarily chosen location



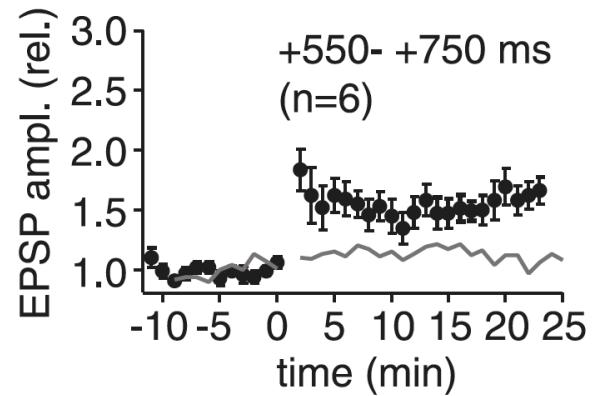
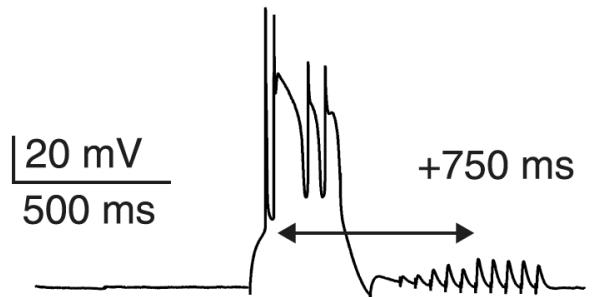
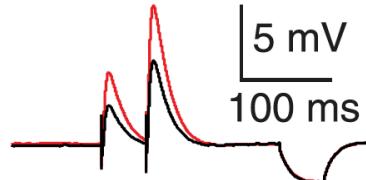
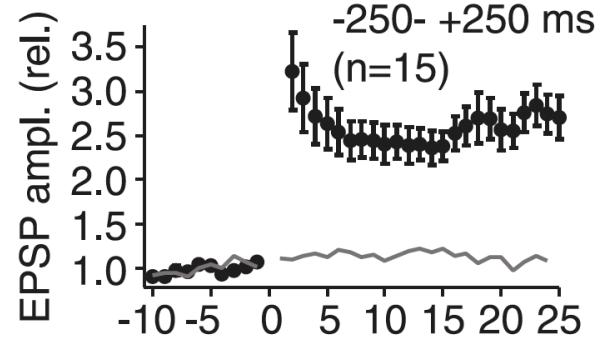
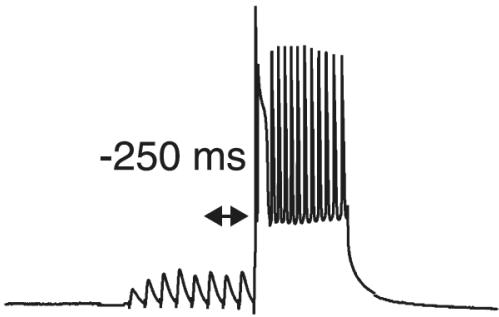
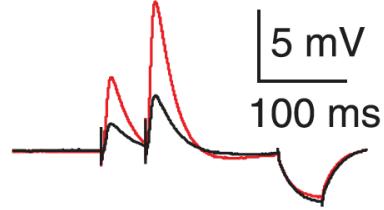
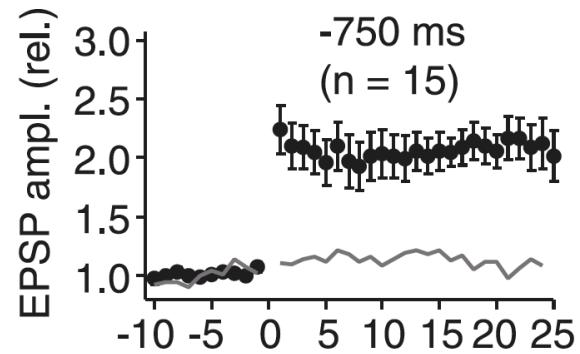
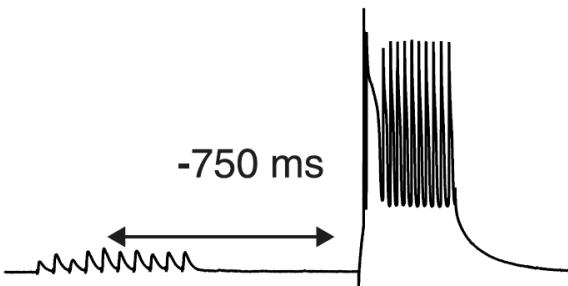
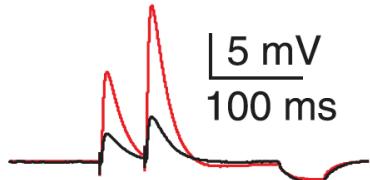
Implication: CA1 pyramidal neurons receive proportional amounts of input from presynaptic cells that are tuned to all possible spatial locations and as a result are equally capable of expressing place-specific firing at any potential position.

Behavioral time scale synaptic plasticity underlies CA1 place fields

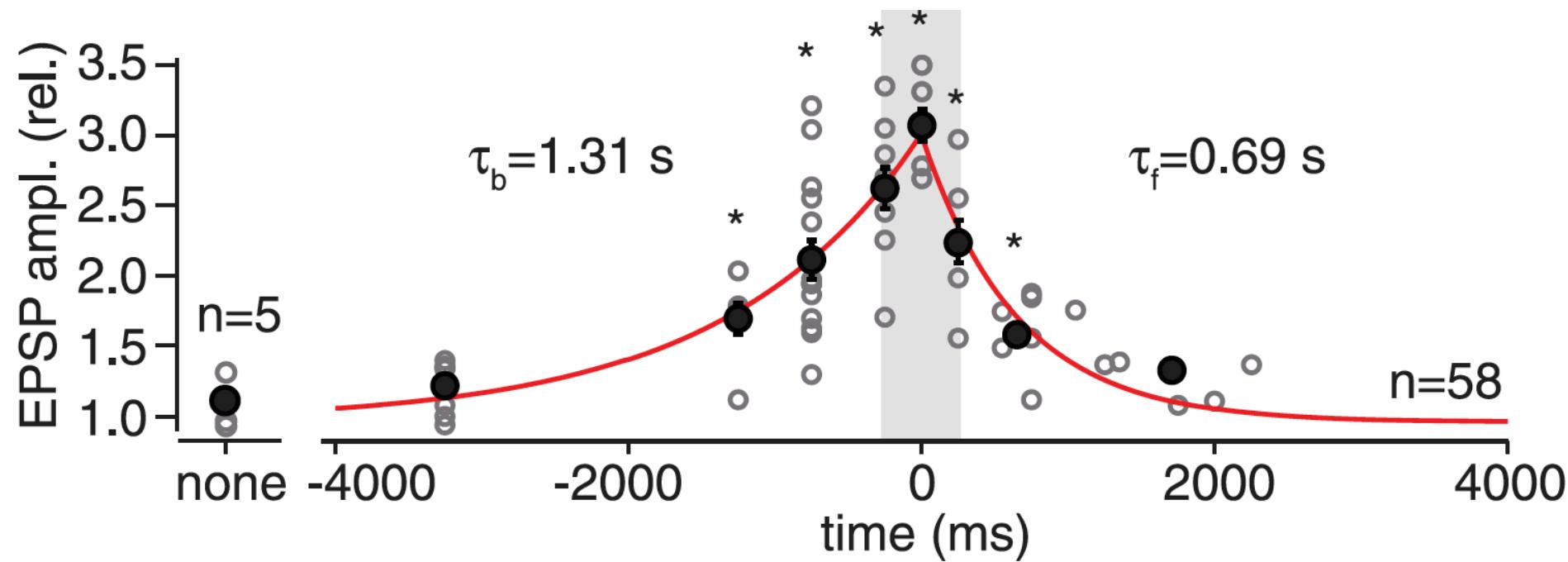
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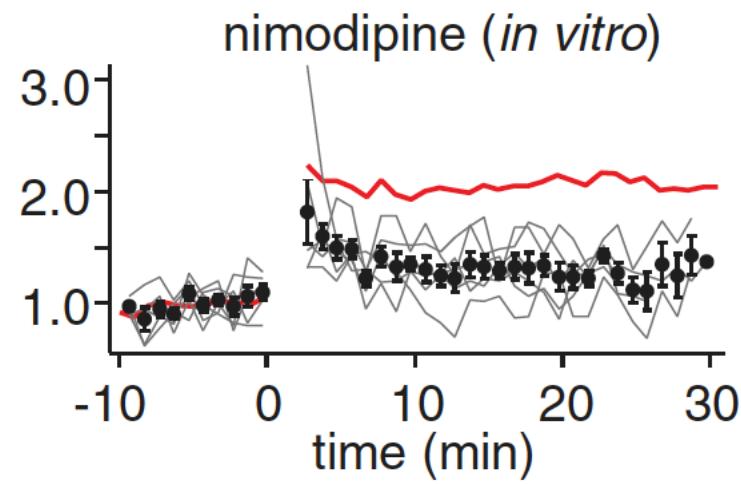
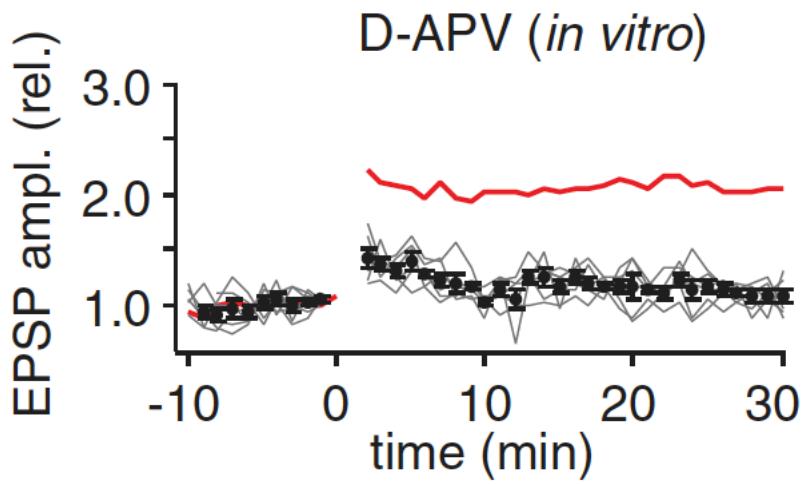
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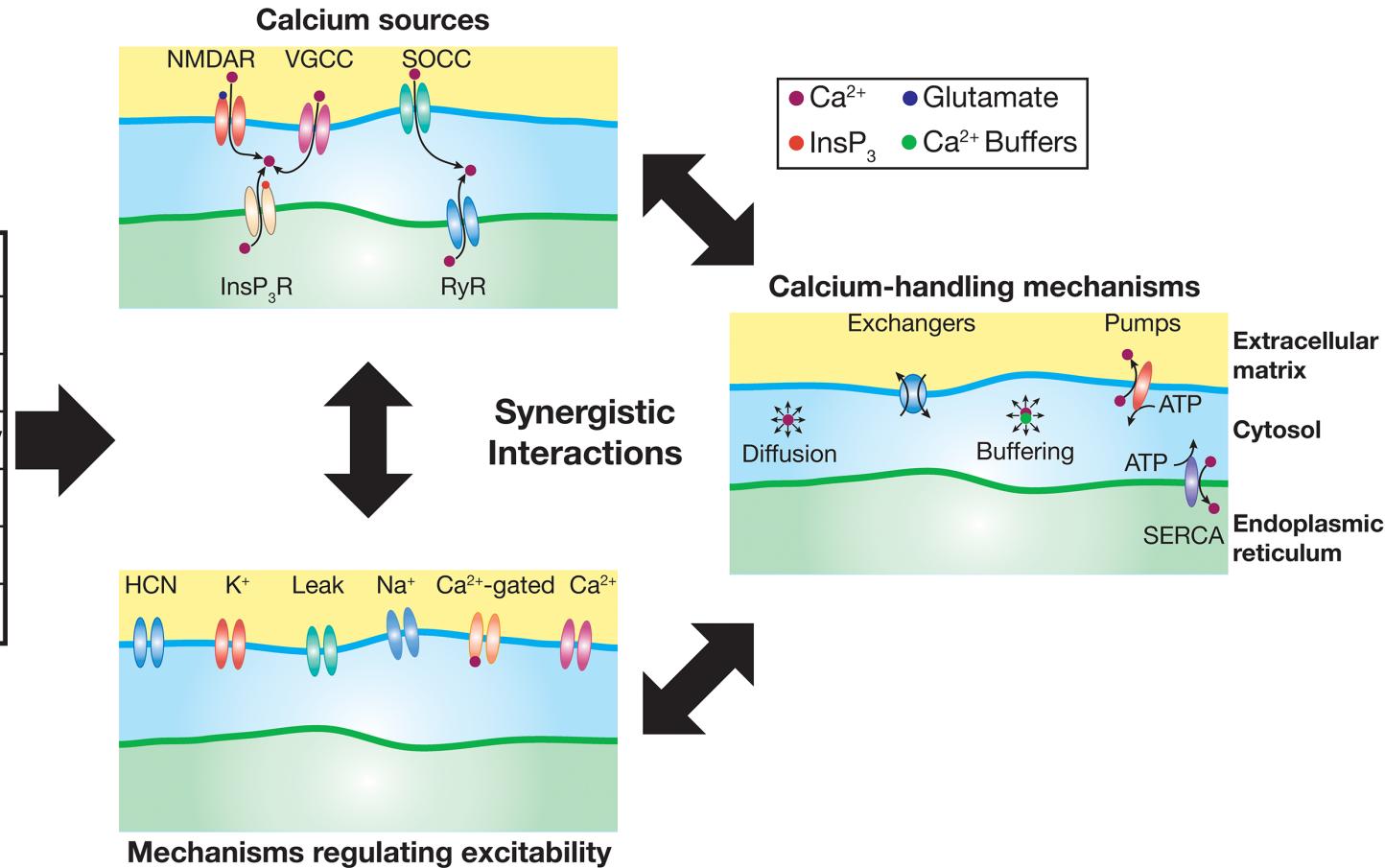


Plateau-based LTP was dependent on NMDARs and L-type calcium channels



Several mechanisms governing LTP induction and calcium elevation

High frequency stimulation
Theta burst stimulation
Theta burst pairing
Spike-timing dependent plasticity
Plateau potentials
Pathway interactions
Pharmacological depolarization



What did we learn today?

Synaptic plasticity is bidirectional — just as there is LTP, there is LTD

LTD has similar properties as LTP — dependent on depolarization and calcium influx through NMDAR/VGCC/stores

Rule of thumb: Slowly decaying low-levels of calcium leads to LTD, whereas fast decaying high-levels of calcium leads to LTP

Spike timing dependent plasticity: true implementation of Hebb's postulate?

Plateau-based LTP: Behavioral scale plasticity?

All plasticity properties are synapse dependent, and are subject to change — DO NOT GENERALIZE