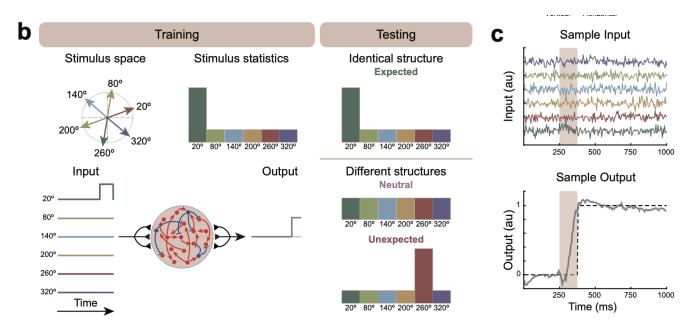
# **Manual**

### Task setup

#### 6-AFC (Alternative Forced Choice) Task



### **Data directory setup**

- rdk 70 30 6afc: 6-AFC. Stim 1 was presented 70% of the time
  - feedforward only: 3-layer RNNs without inter-layer feedback connections
    - hi coh: high coherence condition (coherence constant set to 0.7)
    - lo coh: low coherence condition (coherence constant set to 0.6)
  - with feedback: 3-layer RNNs with all connections
    - hi coh: high coherence condition (coherence constant set to 0.7)
    - lo coh: low coherence condition (coherence constant set to 0.6)
- rdk 80 20 6afc: 6-AFC. Stim 1 was presented 80% of the time. Similar folder setup as above.
- rdk 70 30: 2-AFC. Stim 1 was presented 70% of the time. Similar folder setup as above.
- rdk 80 20: 2-AFC. Stim 1 was presented 80% of the time. Similar folder setup as above.

## **MATLAB** scripts

First, specify testing condition with task info:

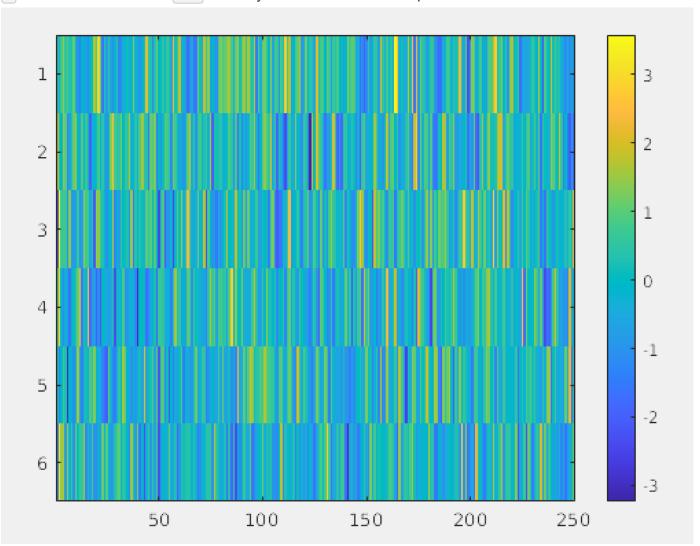
```
% **Testing task condition (70-30 6-AFC with high coherence)
task_info = struct();
task_info.trials = 100;
task_info.trial_dur = 250; % trial duration (timesteps)
task_info.stim_on = 80;
task_info.stim_dur = 50;
task_info.num_stims = 6; % 6AFC
task_info.pred = 1; % predominant stimulus is "1"
task_info.coh = 0.7; % hi_coh = 0.7 vs. lo_coh = 0.6
task_info.primary_prob = 0.70; % 70-30 split
```

Above will generate 100 testing 6-AFC trials where stim 1 will be presented in ~70% of the 100 trials. Use primary\_prob to adjust the likelihood of stim 1 presentation. Coherence set to the high coherence setting (0.7).

The following line will generate **one** trial:

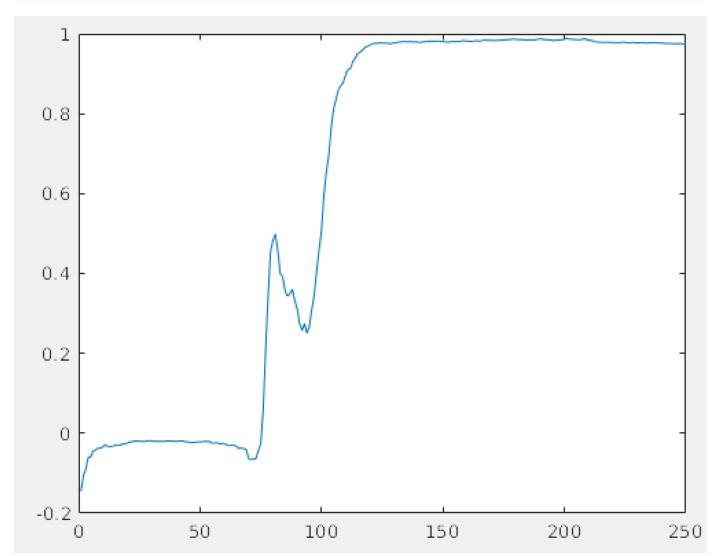
```
[u, lab] = fnc_generate_trials('rdk', task_info);
```

u contains the trial data. lab will tell you which stimulus was presented.

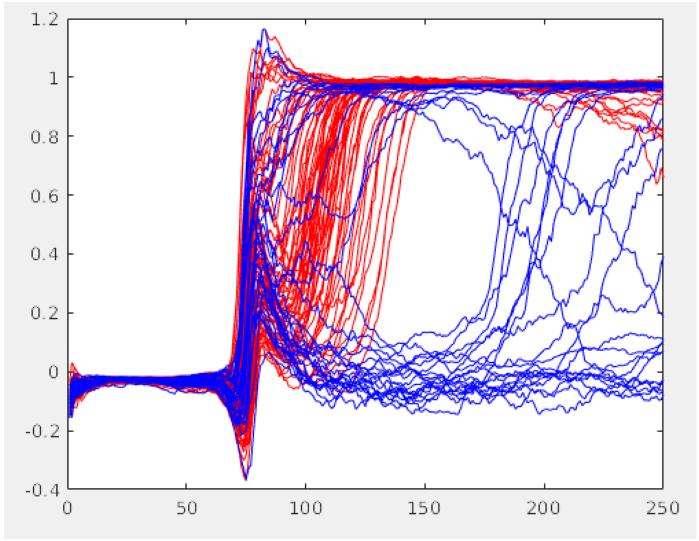


This will now feed the above trial data into a trained RNN to generate the RNN's output:

```
out = fnc_eval_model(model_path, u, feedback);
plot(out('0'))
```



Output signals from 100 trials (using the for-loop section in <code>generate\_trials.m</code>):



Red lines are the output when stim 1 was presented, while the blue lines are the output signals for the other stims.

# **Output variables**

Given a single trial, <code>fnc\_eval\_model.m</code> will generate a MATLAB container variable:

```
output_signal = out('O');

% Synaptic current variables
X1 = out('X1');
X2 = out('X2');
X3 = out('X3');

% Firing rate estimate variables
R1 = out('R1');
R2 = out('R2');
R3 = out('R3');
```

- x1 is the synaptic current variable data for the **first layer** and its size is [Time steps]  $\times$  [Number of neurons].
- R1 is the firing-rate estimate variable data for the **first layer** and its size is the same as X1.