

# Complexity in Multi-Delay Physiological Feedback Systems

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# ❖ OUTLINE

## 1) Chaos to simple dynamics via many delays: how?

→ COMPLEXITY IS NOT NECESSARILY HIGH WITH MULTIPLE DELAYS

→ COMPLEXITY COLLAPSES CAN HAPPEN WITH EVEN A FEW DELAYS

## 2) Complexity collapse in neural nets?

→ TRANSIENT CHAOS, RANDOM PERIODS OF SYNCHRONY

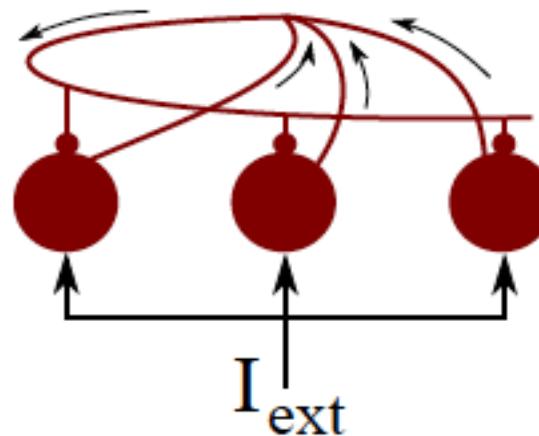
## SIMPLE PUNCHLINES

- More delays does not imply more complexity
- Delayed feedback loops in physiology may be able to do novel forms of:
  - Random “number” generation
  - Prediction
  - Deep learning

FB: **DELAYED** FEEDBACK

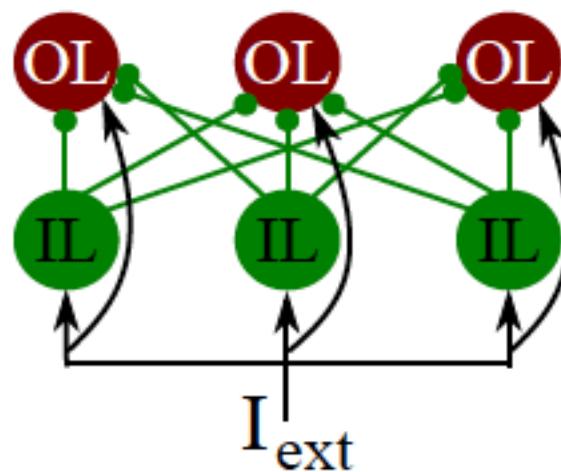
FF: FEEDFORWARD+**DELAY**

A      FBN



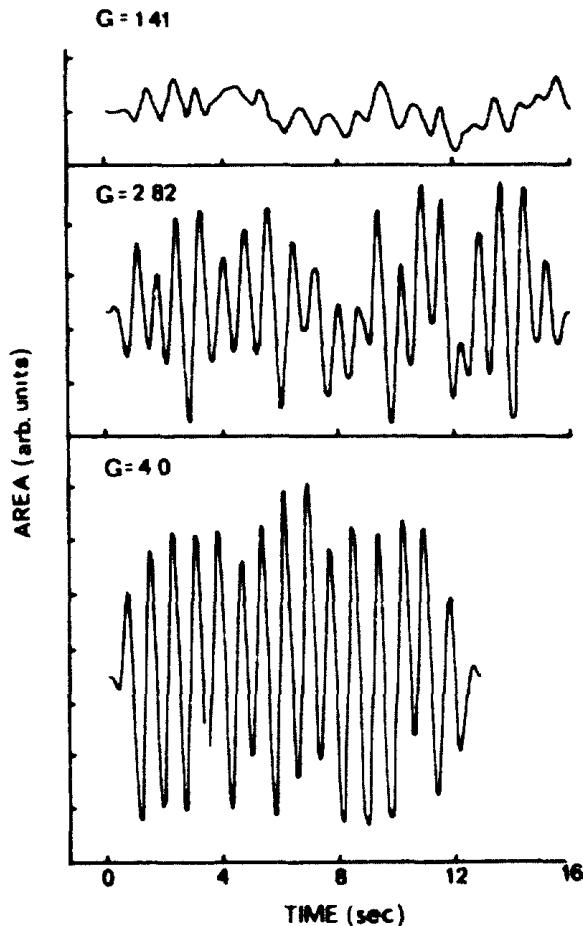
Feedback delay (INHIB)

B      FFN



Feedforward delay

# (HUMAN) PUPIL AREA OSCILLATIONS BY CONTROLLING THE FEEDBACK GAIN

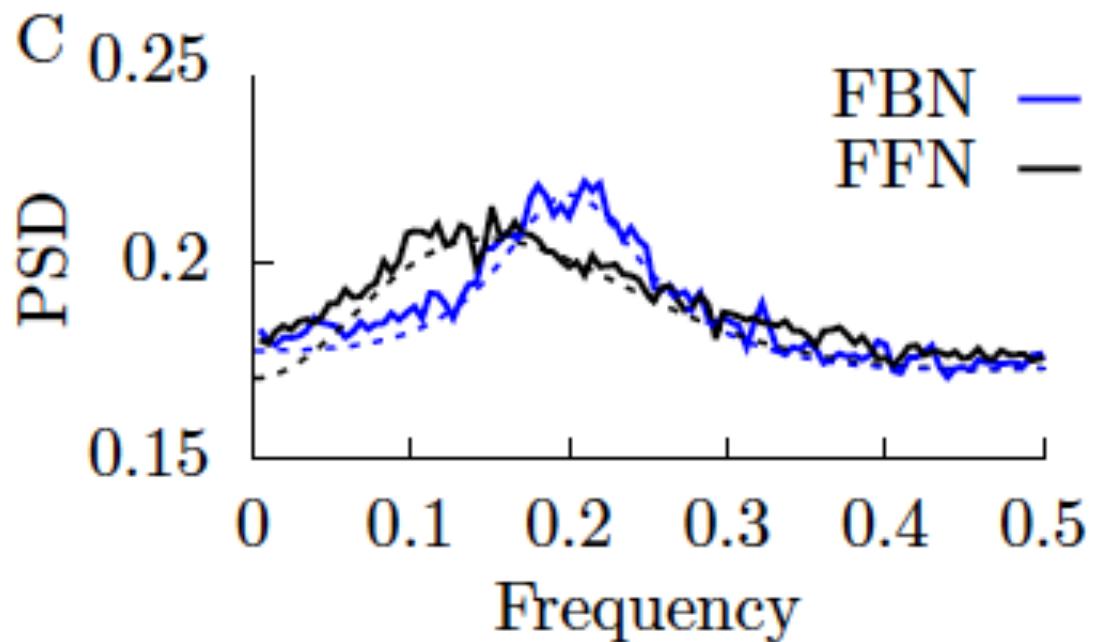


$$\frac{dA(t)}{dt} + \alpha A(t) = \frac{c\theta^n}{\theta^n + A^n(t-\tau)} + k$$

+ noise

Longtin, Milton, Bos, Mackey, Phys. Rev. A. 1990

BOTH DISPLAY A PEAK !



Many ways to get rhythms!!

- Increasing a single delay increases entropy (Farmer, Physica D 1984)
- But what about the **number** of delays?

### Increased complexity

- Fisher et al. PRL 1994: add 2nd delay to laser system → *chaos to hyperchaos*
- Xu et al., Optics Lett. 2017: large number of random delays → *hyperchaos for random number generation*

### Decreased complexity

- Ahlborn+Parlitz, PRL2004: *2<sup>nd</sup> delay on Chua circuit: chaos replaced by limit cycles*
- Mensour+Longtin, PhysLett A 1995: *controlling chaos in Mackey-Glass with a 2<sup>nd</sup> delay*

## **PARADOX**

- 1) Multiple delays can increase the complexity (entropy)
- 2) But distributed delays have relatively lower complexity

What happens in between??

## ❖ SEMICONDUCTOR LASER MODEL WITH OPTICAL FEEDBACK

- Semiconductor laser with multiple optical feedbacks can be modeled with Lang-Kobayashi (LK) equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dE(t)}{dt} &= (1 + i\alpha) \left[ \frac{G_E(N(t) - N_0)}{1 + \epsilon|E(t)|^2} - \gamma_E \right] E(t) + \frac{\kappa}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M E(t - \tau_i) e^{-i\omega\tau_i} \\ \frac{dN(t)}{dt} &= \gamma_N(J_r N_{th} - N(t)) - \frac{G_N(N(t) - N_0)}{1 + \epsilon|E(t)|^2} |E(t)|^2\end{aligned}$$

- Dynamics of LK model is governed by two main time scales:

### Average delay and response time

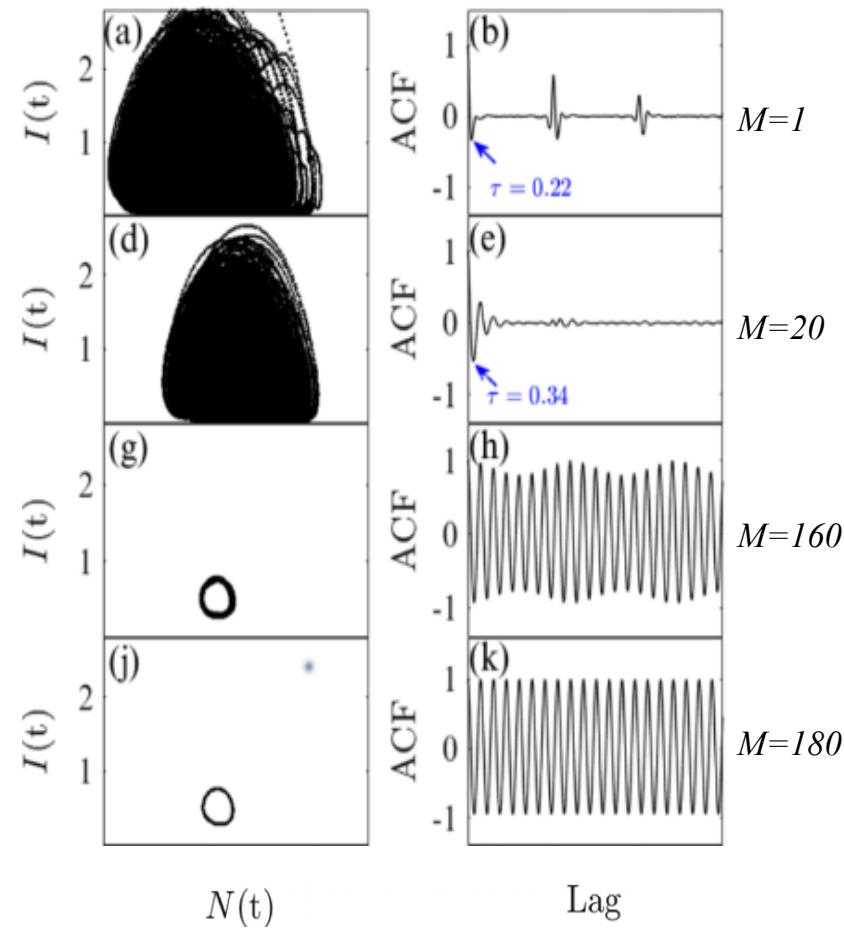
- In distributed delay case, the state of the system depends on a continuum of past states:

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \int_0^\infty g(\tau) F[N(t), E(t), E(t - \tau)] d\tau,$$

$$\frac{dN(t)}{dt} = \gamma_N[J_r N_{th} - N(t)] - \frac{G_N[N(t) - N_0]}{1 + \epsilon|E(t)|^2} |E(t)|^2$$

## ❖ SEMICONDUCTOR LASER MODEL WITH OPTICAL FEEDBACK

- Weak or moderate degree of chaos:  
Dominant time scale is the **time delay**
- High degree of chaos:  
Dominant time scale is the **relaxation oscillation period**
- Torus behavior:  
Both **relaxation oscillation period and average of the time delays govern the dynamic**
- Limit cycle:  
Simple oscillation with **relaxation oscillation period**

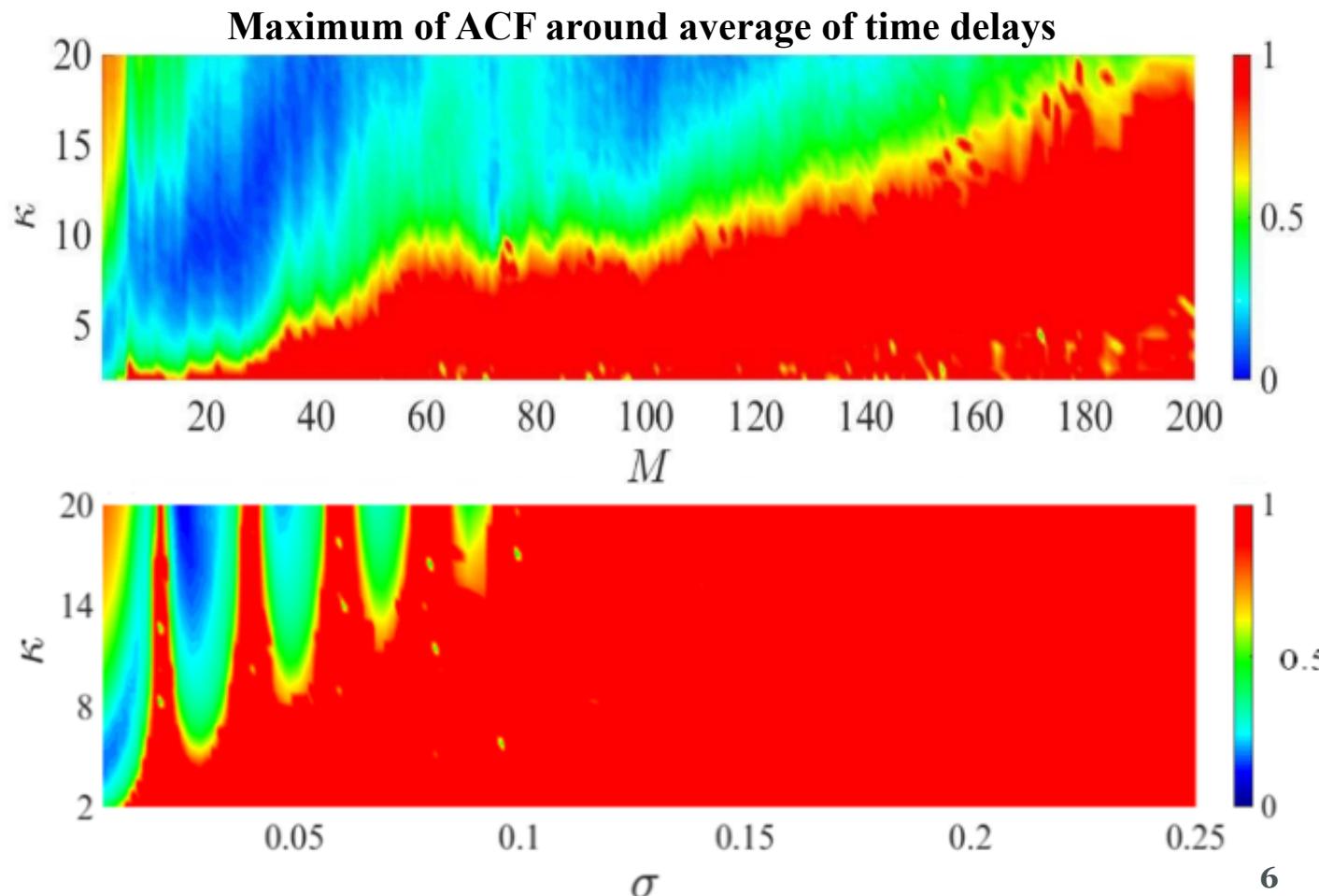


## ❖ MIXED EFFECTS WHEN ADDING DELAYS

- Degree of complexity via the maximum of the *autocorrelation function* (ACF) around the time delay.

Blue: chaos

Red: fixed point



## ❖ FIXED AVERAGE DELAY: $M$ INDUCES BIFURCATIONS

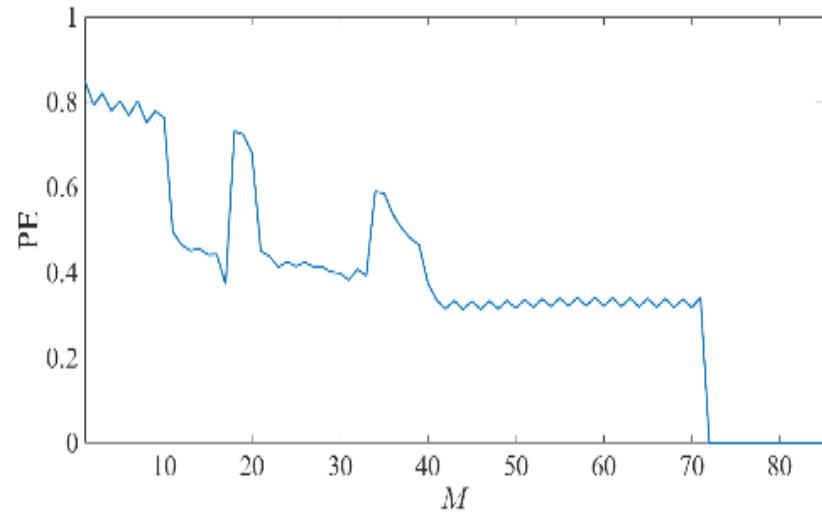
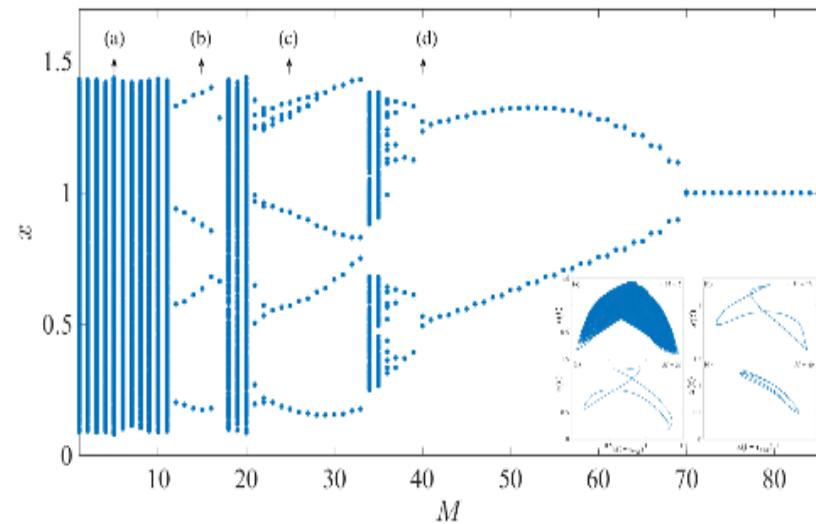
- Mackey Glass equation (standard parameters):

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -x(t) + \frac{b}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \frac{x(t - \tau_i)}{1 + x(t - \tau_i^{10})}$$

- Delays are picked as:

$$\begin{aligned}\tau_i &= \tau_{avg} - (i-1)/2\Delta\tau, & i \text{ odd} \\ \tau_i &= \tau_{avg} + (i)/2\Delta\tau, & i \text{ even}\end{aligned}$$

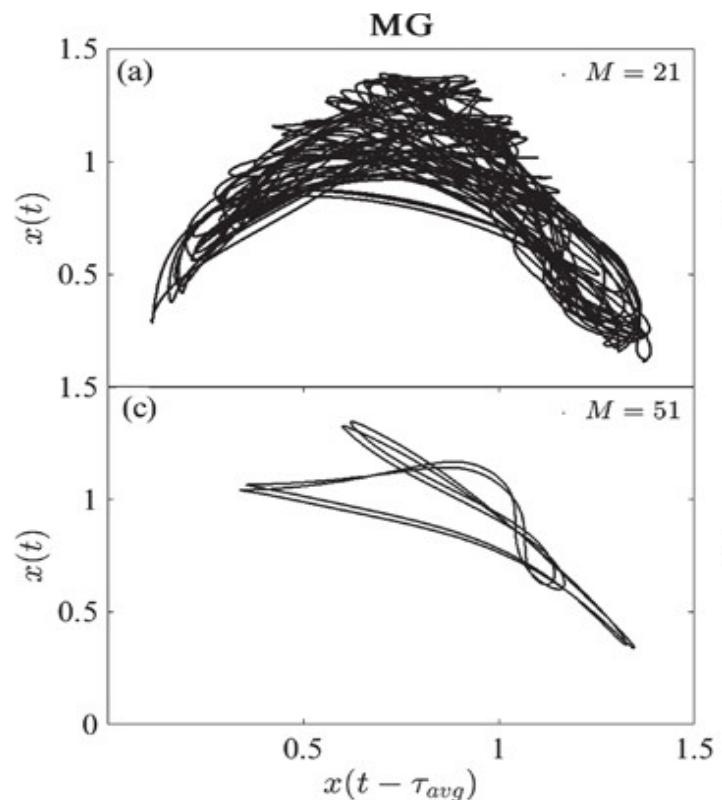
- Increasingly large periodic windows occur for increasing number of delays  $M$ , culminating in an **inverse period-doubling cascade** that ends with a fixed point.



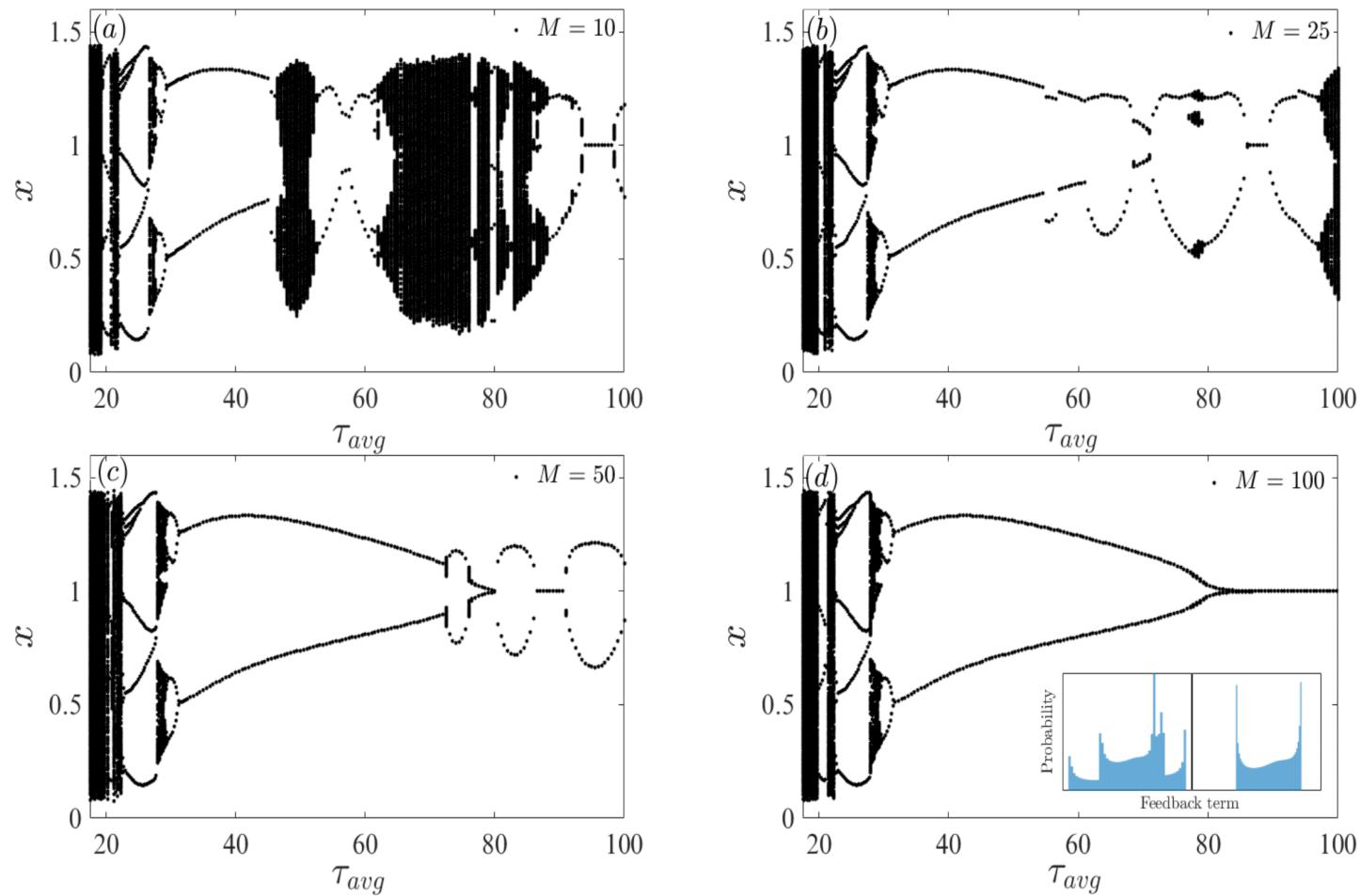
- Whenever the delay-to-response time ratio is large, first order nonlinear DDE's exhibit high-dimensional chaos and multistability.
- We use another scheme to pick delays by keeping the minimum delay fixed and increasing the average of the delays:

$$\tau_i = \tau_{min} + i\Delta\tau_i$$

Complexity collapse still observed when the time delays are larger than the response time.

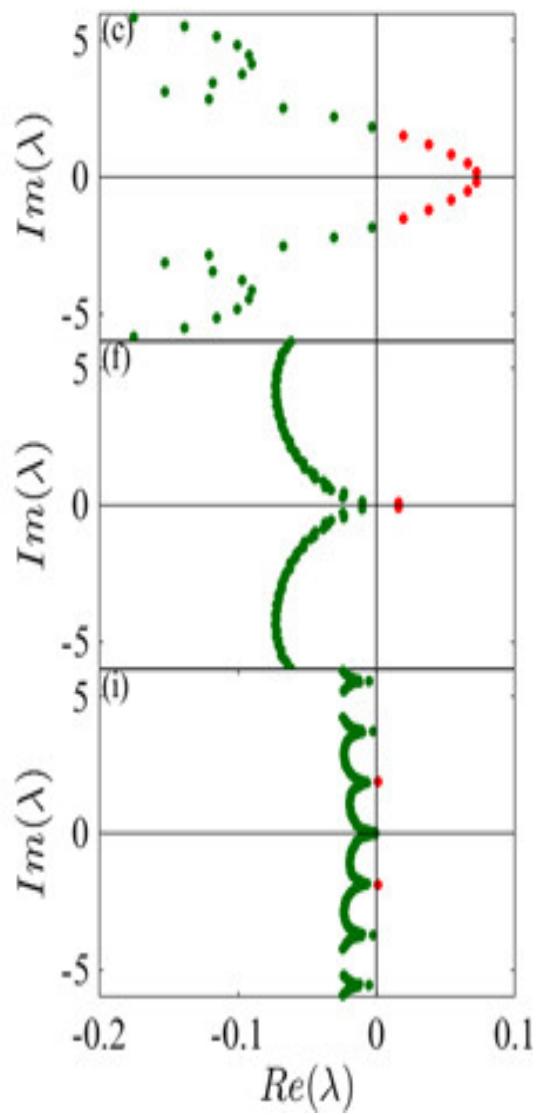
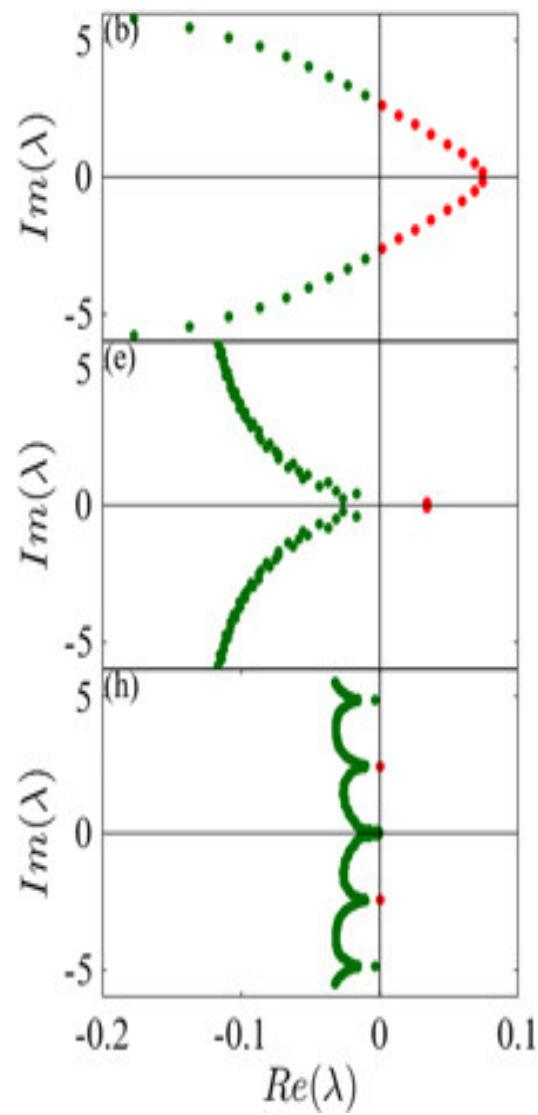
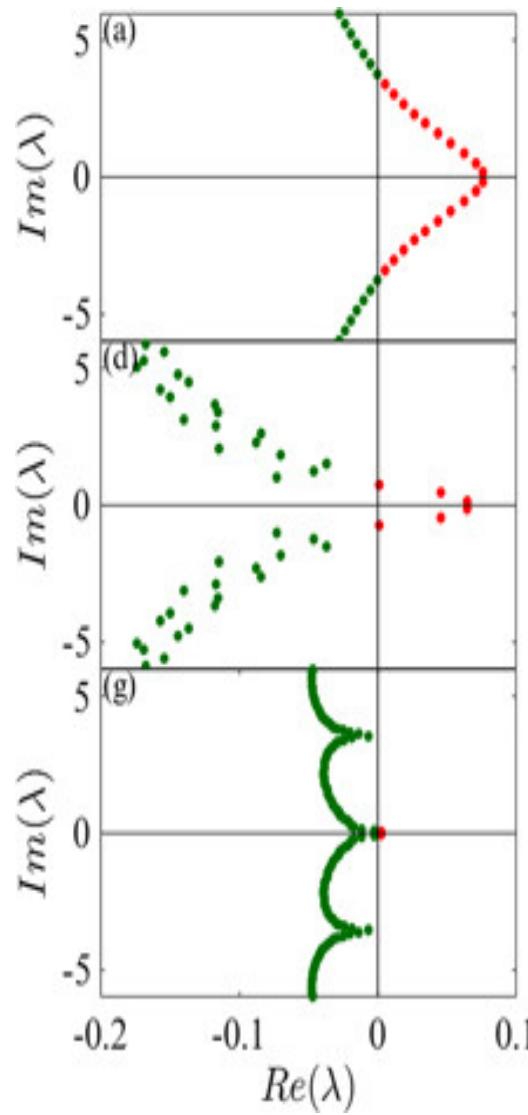


- We found that complexity collapse occurs for even **few number of delays**, provided there is a sufficiently large minimum delay.



- A larger number of delays favors **fixed point** behavior rather than limit cycles.

- Behavior of eigenvalues around fixed point when  $M=50$ , for increasing average delay (a) → (i)



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- Characteristic equations:

$$\Delta(\lambda) = -\lambda - 1 + \frac{F'(x^*)}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M e^{-\lambda \tau_j}$$

$$\lambda = \mu + i\omega$$

- Separating real and imaginary part of the characteristic equation:

$$\frac{\mu + 1}{F'(x^*)} = \frac{e^{-\mu \tau_{min}}}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M e^{-\mu(j-1)\Delta\tau} \cos(\omega(\tau_{min} + (j-1)\Delta\tau))$$

$$-\frac{\omega}{F'(x^*)} = \frac{e^{-\mu \tau_{min}}}{M} \sum_{j=1}^M e^{-\mu(j-1)\Delta\tau} \sin(\omega(\tau_{min} + (j-1)\Delta\tau))$$

- Putting the above equations in integral form:

$$\frac{\mu + 1}{F'(x^*)} \approx \frac{e^{-\mu \tau_{min}}}{T_M + \Delta\tau} \int_0^{T_M} e^{-\mu \tau'} \cos(\omega(\tau_{min} + \tau')) d\tau'$$

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$$T_m = \tau_{max} - \tau_{min}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{\mu + 1}{F'(x^*)} - \frac{e^{-\mu \tau_{min}} \left[ e^{-\mu T_M} \sin(\omega(\tau_{min} + T_M)) - \sin(\omega \tau_{min}) \right]}{\omega T_M}}_{f(\mu, \omega)} = 0$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{-\omega}{F'(x^*)} - \frac{e^{-\mu \tau_{min}} \left[ \cos(\omega \tau_{min}) - e^{-\mu T_m} \cos(\omega(\tau_{min} + T_m)) \right]}{\omega T_m}}_{g(\mu, \omega)} = 0$$

## ❖ LYAPUNOV EXPONENTS

- Lyapunov exponents are calculated using Chebyshev polynomial nodes.
- There are  $m_i+1$  Chebyshev nodes between two-time delays:

$$\theta_{ij} = \frac{(\tau_i - \tau_{i-1})}{2} \cos\left(\frac{j\pi}{m_i}\right) - \frac{(\tau_i + \tau_{i-1})}{2},$$

$$i = 1, \dots, M, \quad j = 0, \dots, m_i,$$

- Dynamical Equations to estimate Lyapunov spectrum:

$$u'_0(t) = f(x(t), x(t - \tau_1), \dots, x(t - \tau_M)),$$

$$u'_k(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{m_t} d_{kj} u_j(t) \quad k = 1, \dots, m_t,$$

$m_t$ : total number of differential equations

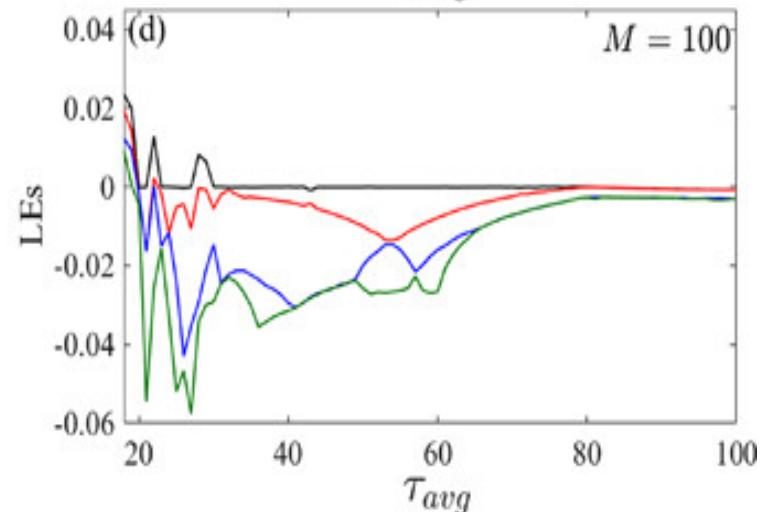
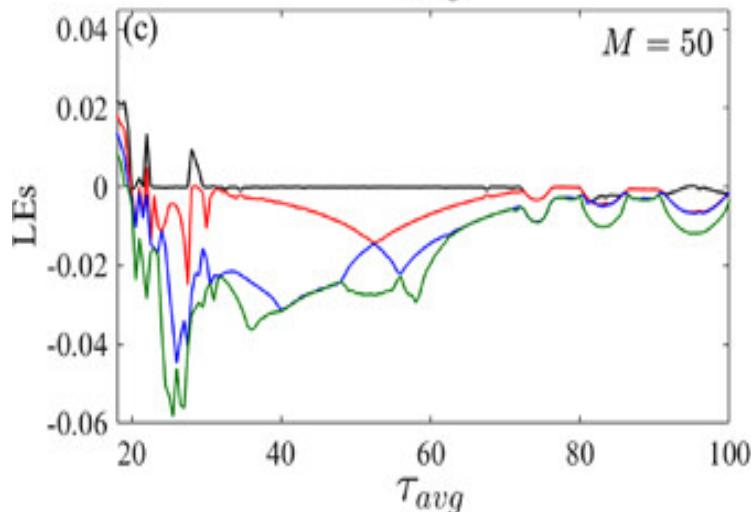
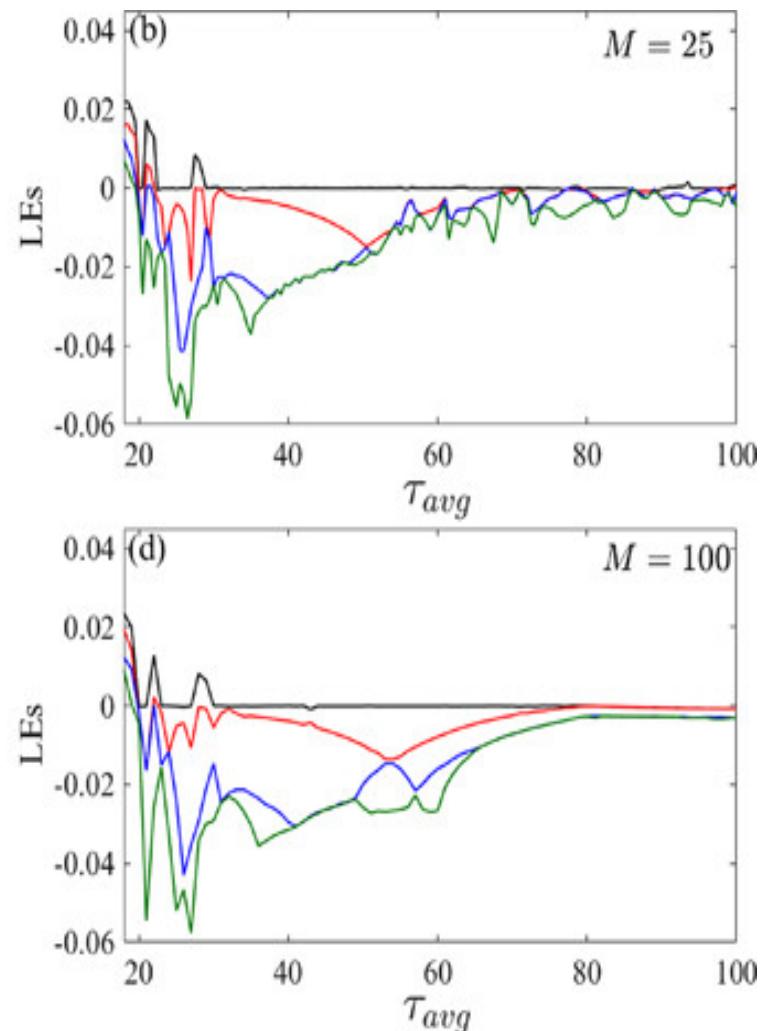
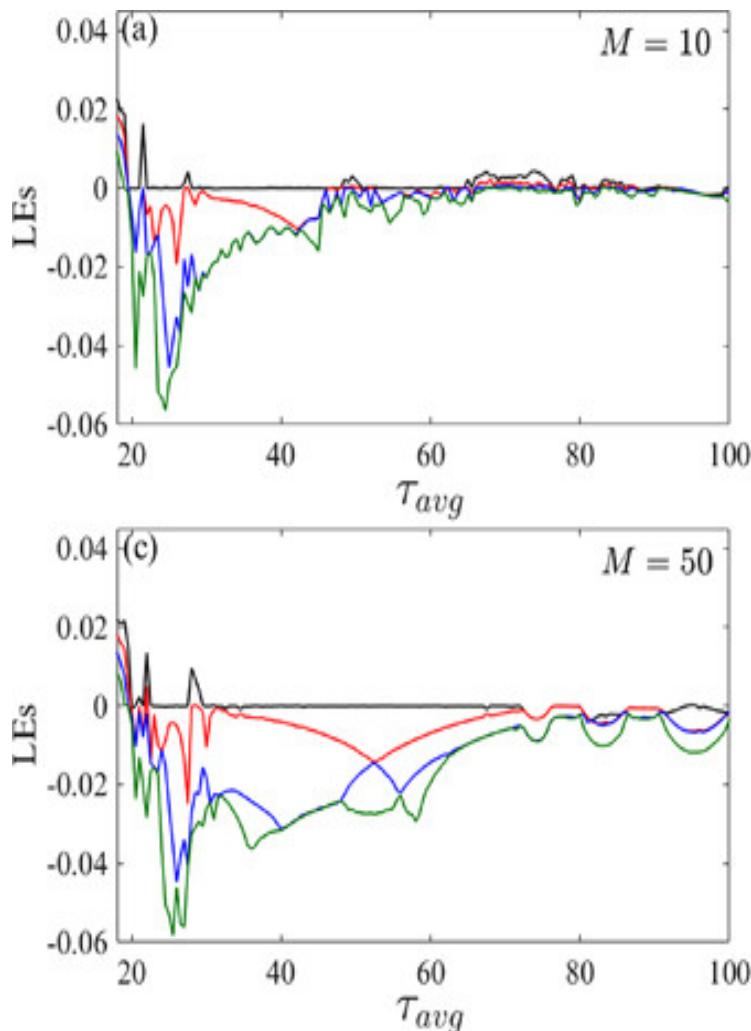
$d_{kj}$ : elements of Chebyshev differentiation matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{df}{dx} & \cdots & \frac{df}{d\tau_1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & \frac{df}{d\tau_M} \\ d_{1,0} & \cdots & d_{1,m_1} & 0 & \cdots & \vdots & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & \vdots \\ d_{m_1,0} & \cdots & d_{m_1,m_1} & 0 & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & d_{m_1+1,m_1} & \cdots & d_{m_1+1,m_1+m_2} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & d_{m_1+m_2,m_1} & \cdots & d_{m_1+m_2,m_1+m_2} & 0 & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & & \ddots & & & 0 \\ 0 & & & & 0 & d_{m_{tot}-m_M+1,m_{tot}-m_M} & \cdots & d_{m_{tot}-m_M+1,m_{tot}} \\ \vdots & & & & & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & d_{m_{tot},m_{tot}-m_M} & \cdots & d_{m_{tot},m_{tot}} \end{pmatrix}$$

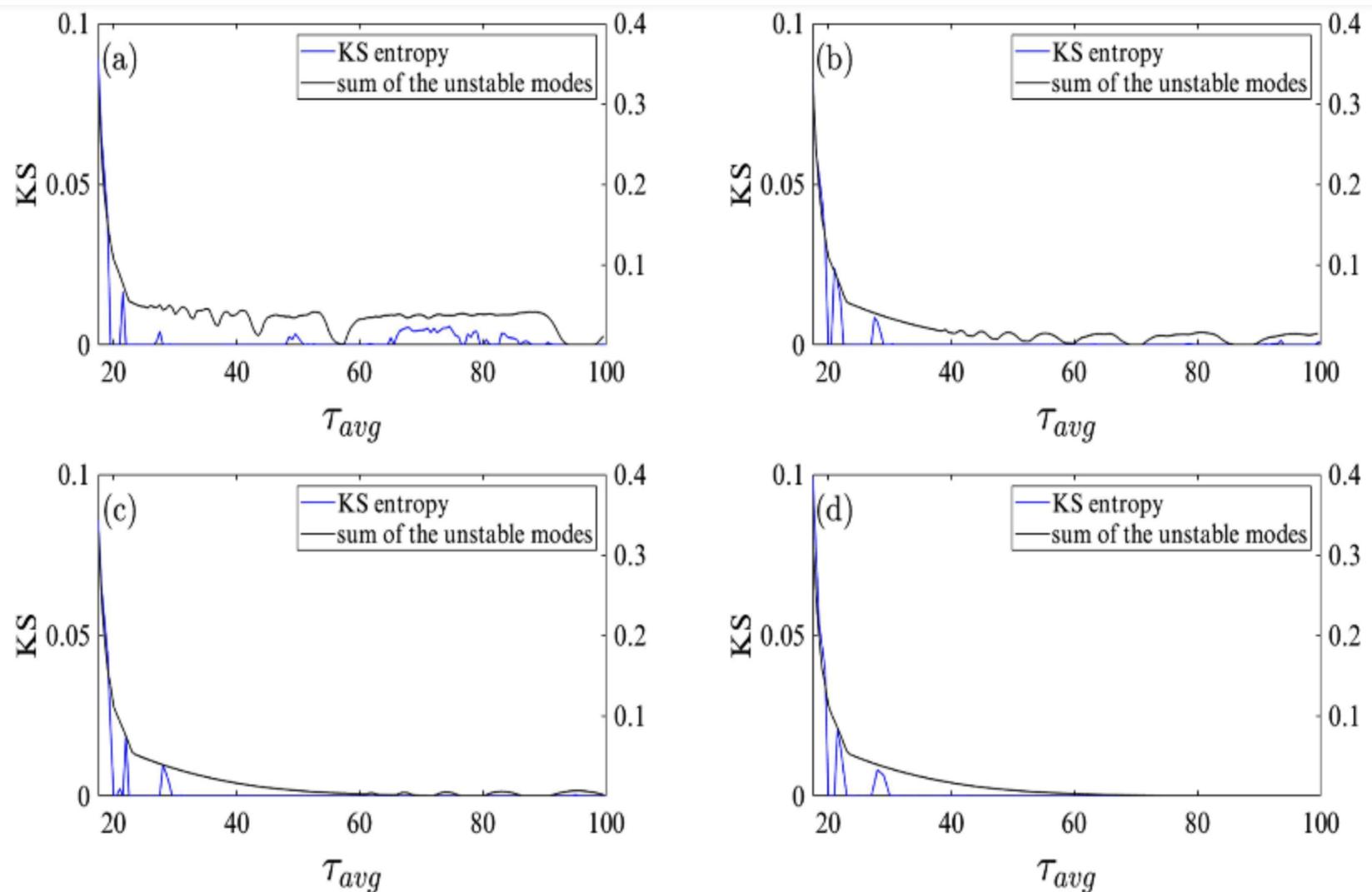
- Lyapunov exponents calculated by integrating the linearized dynamics for the  $u_k$

$$\frac{d\delta u_i}{dt} = A\delta u_i(t)$$

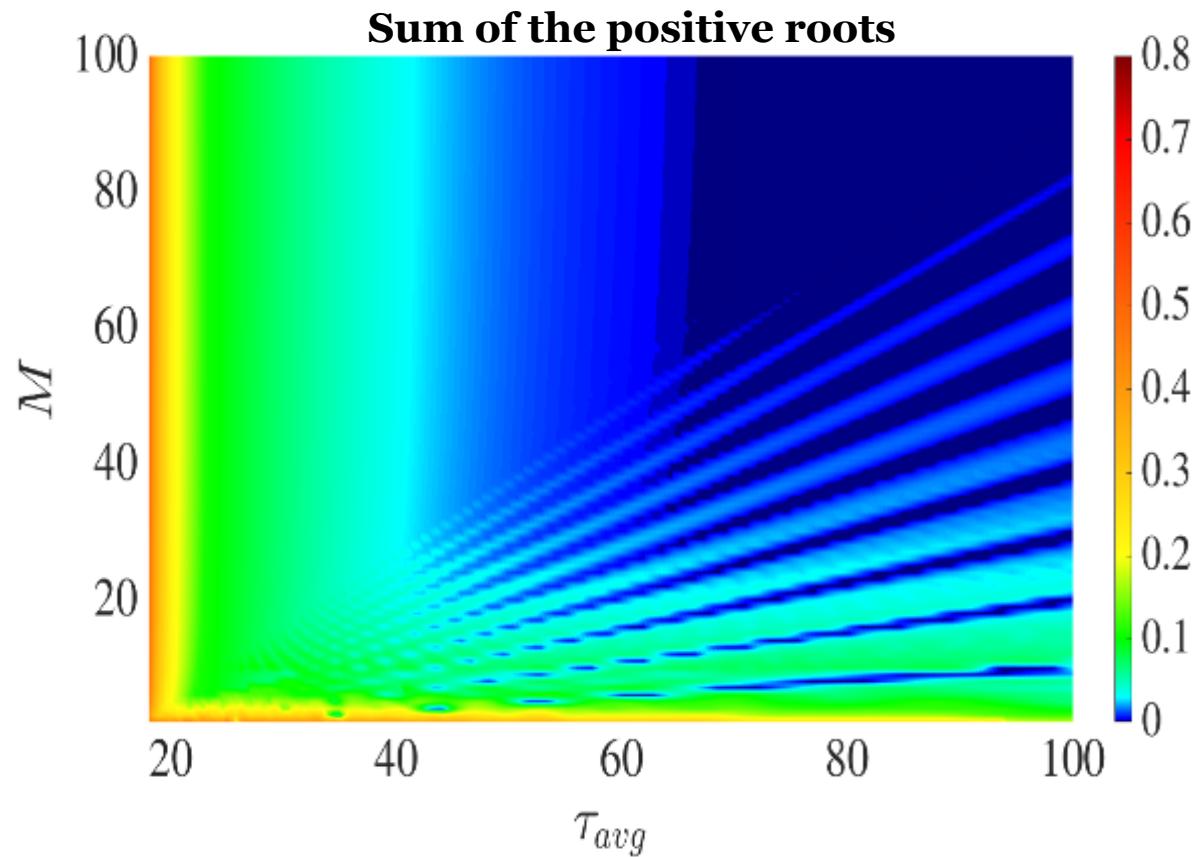
$A$  is the Chebyshev differentiation matrix



- Comparison between Sum of Positive Lyapunov Exponents and Sum of positive part of eigenvalues



- Sum of Real(eigenvalues): proxy for solution complexity



## ❖ MODEL MIMICKING SPARSELY CONNECTED BRAIN CIRCUITS

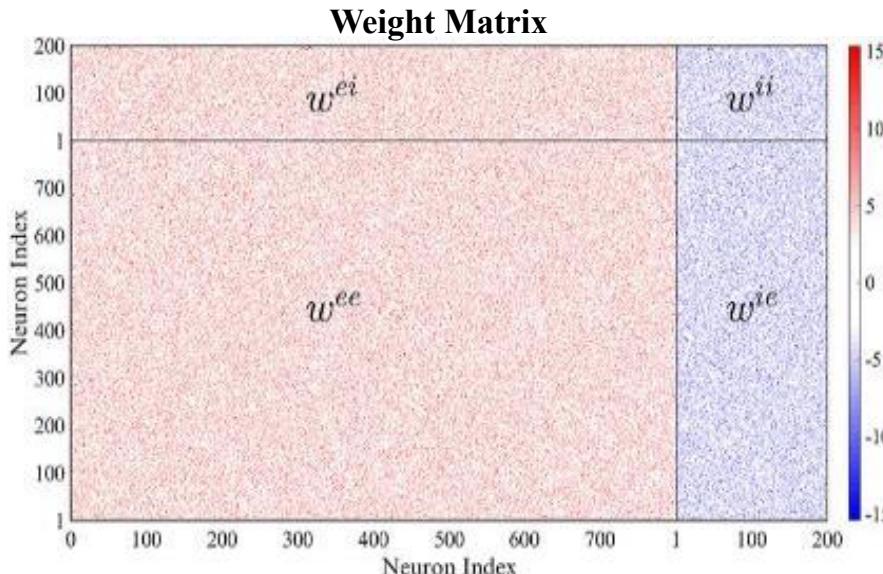
- Recurrent Neural network with multiple local time delays:

$$\alpha_e^{-1} \frac{du_j}{dt} = -u_j + \frac{1}{n_e} \frac{1}{M} \sum_{l=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^{N_e} w_{jk}^{ee} \phi(u_k(t - \tau_l)) + \frac{1}{n_i} \frac{1}{M} \sum_{l=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^{N_i} w_{jk}^{ie} \phi(v_k(t - \tau_l))$$

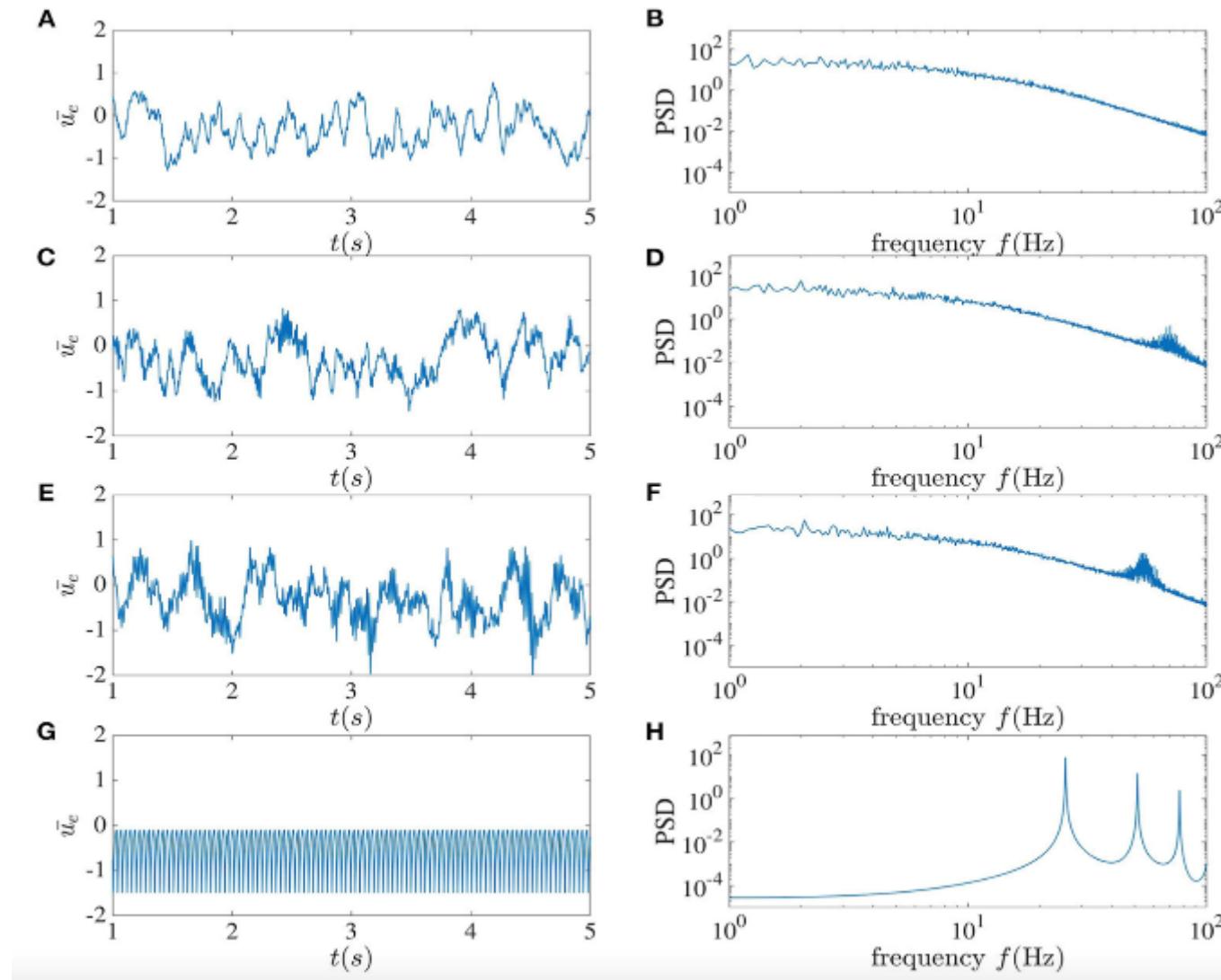
$$\alpha_i^{-1} \frac{dv_j}{dt} = -v_j + \frac{1}{n_e} \frac{1}{M} \sum_{l=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^{N_e} w_{jk}^{ei} \phi(u_k(t - \tau_l)) + \frac{1}{n_i} \frac{1}{M} \sum_{l=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^{N_i} w_{jk}^{ii} \phi(v_k(t - \tau_l))$$

- Rich S, Hutt A, Skinner FK, Valiante TA, Lefebvre J.. *Sci Rep.* (2020); 10 (1):1–17
- Park, S. H., Griffiths, J. D., Longtin, A., and Lefebvre, J. (2018). *Front. Appl. Math.*

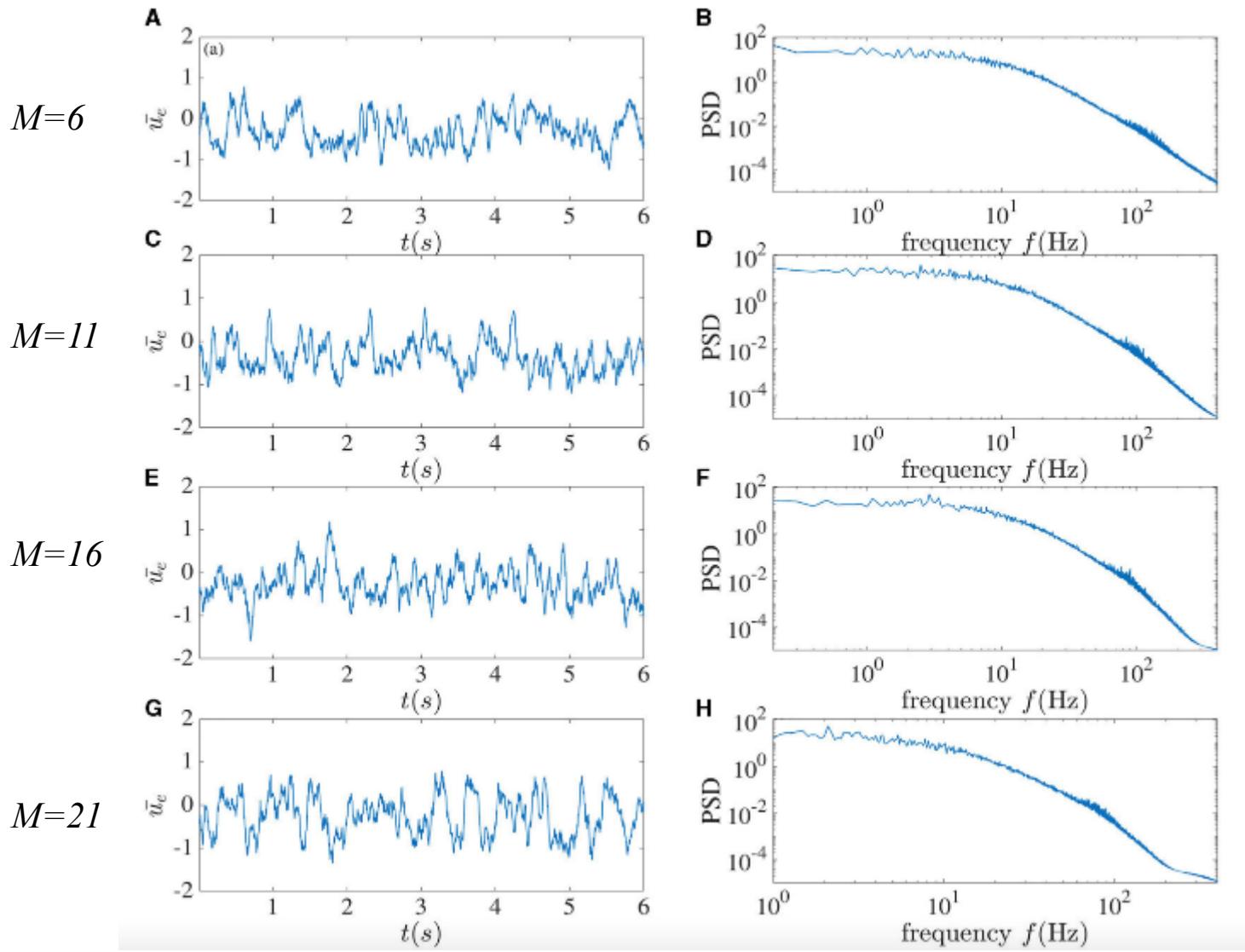
- We consider a recurrent local network of 80% excitatory and 20% inhibitory rate model neurons with 10% connection probability.



- Recurrent Neural network with single local time delay: Effect of increasing the delay from 2 ms to 10 ms



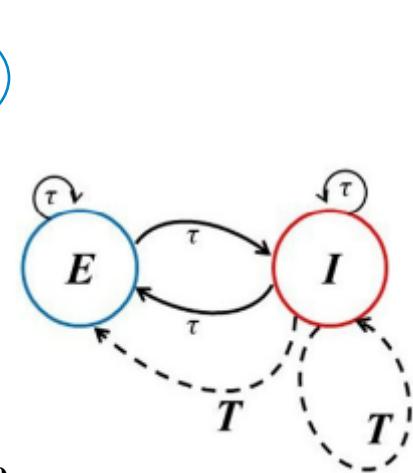
- Recurrent Neural network with local multiple time delays:  
**no complexity collapse!**



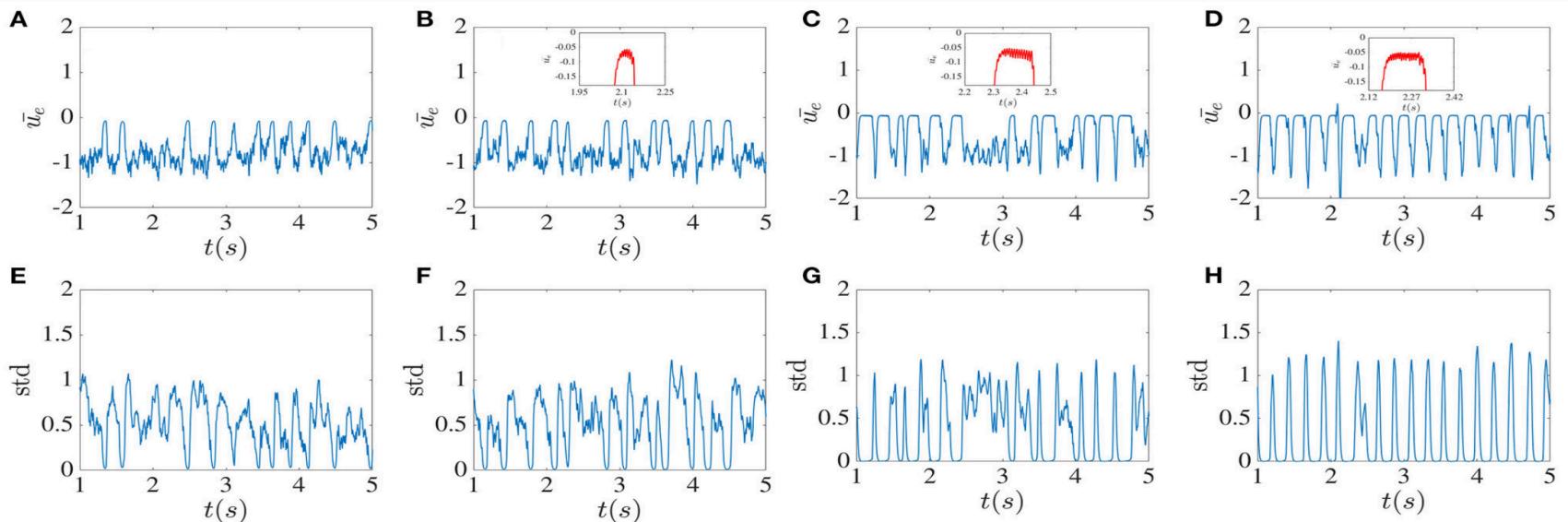
- Recurrent Neural network with global delayed inhibitory global feedback: collapse!

$$\alpha_e^{-1} \frac{du_j}{dt} = -u_j + \frac{1}{n_e} \frac{1}{M} \sum_{l=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^{N_e} w_{jk}^{ee} \phi(u_k(t - \tau_l)) + \frac{1}{n_i} \frac{1}{M} \sum_{l=1}^M \sum_{k=1}^{N_i} w_{jk}^{ie} \phi(v_k(t - \tau_l)) + \frac{\kappa}{N_i} \sum_{k=1}^{N_i} \phi(v_k(t - T))$$

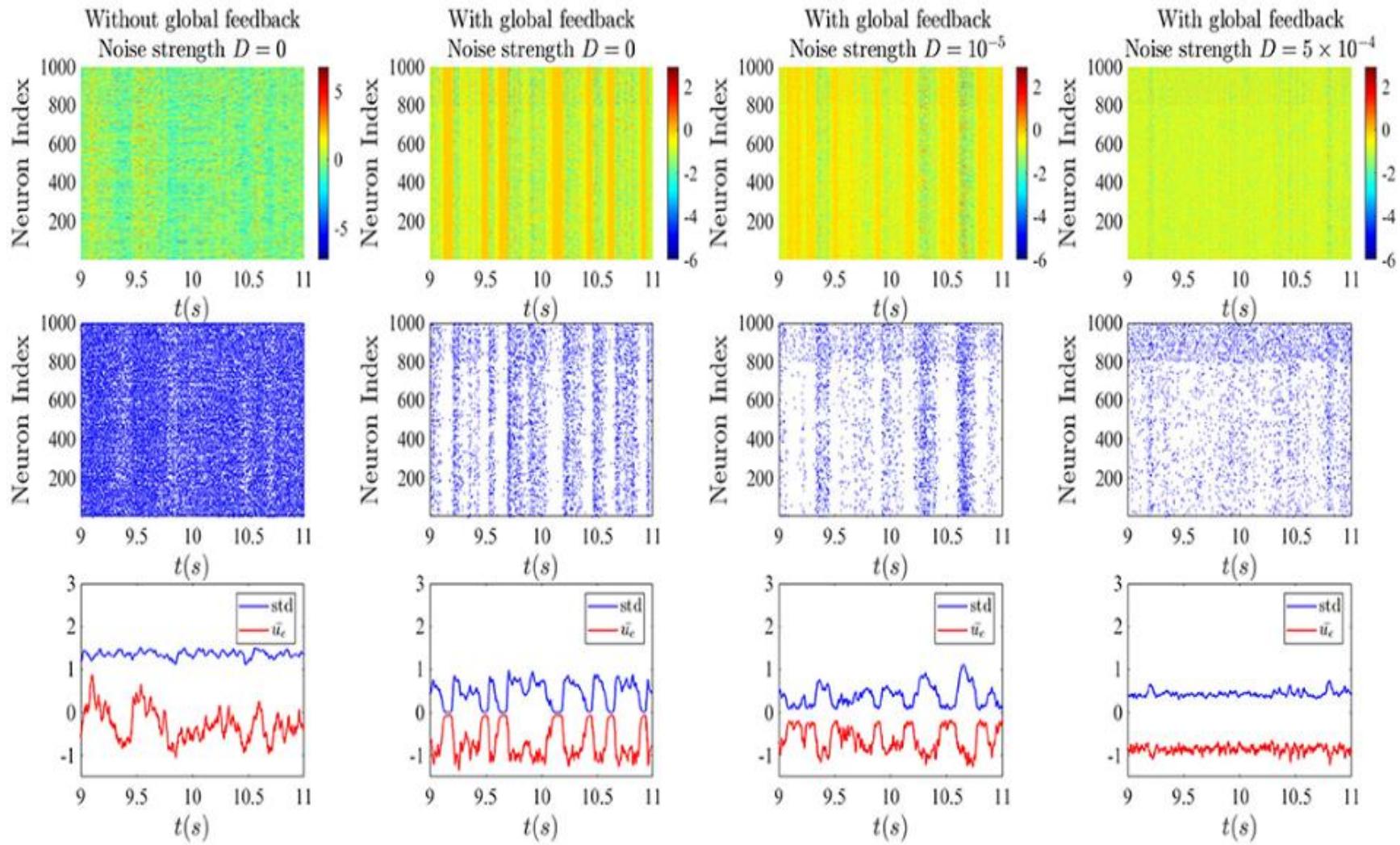
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**Effect of different global time delays  $T=5, 10, 20$**

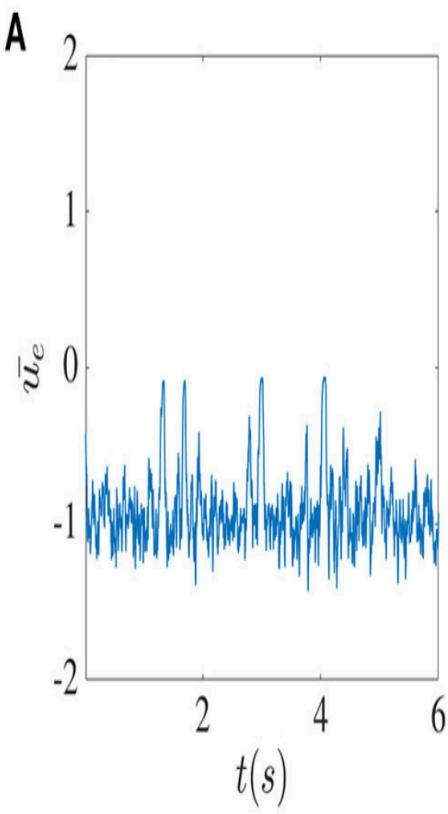


# NEURON ACTIVITIES: STRANGE SYNCED TEMPORAL RANDOMNESS

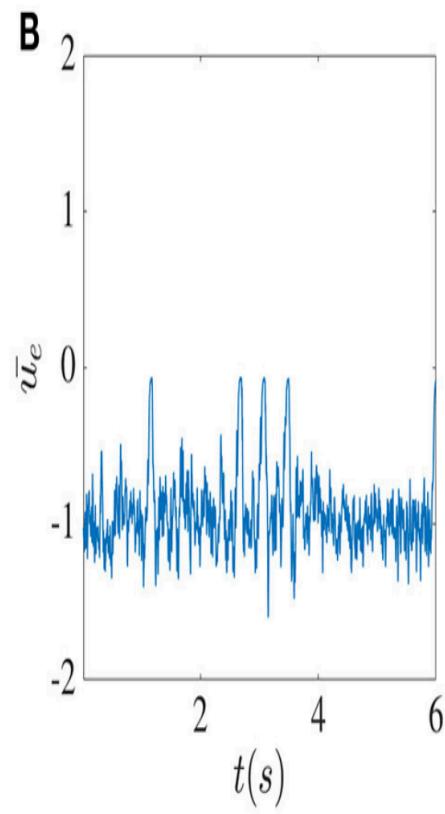


Multiple local delays in the presence of a moderate global delay:  
transient chaos → collapse

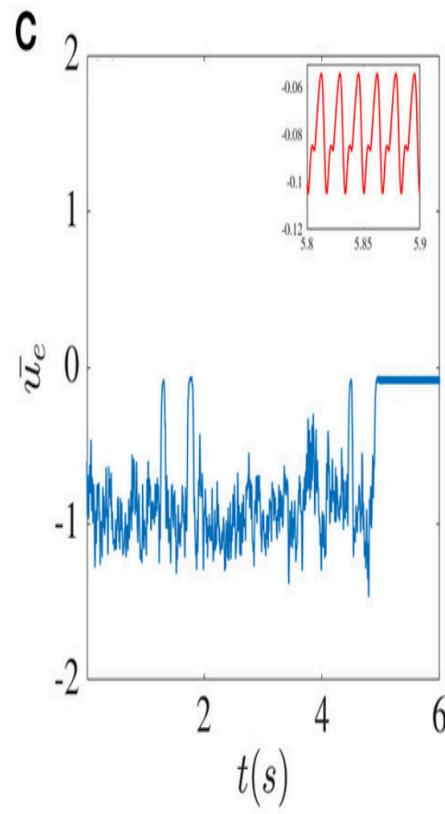
$M=6$



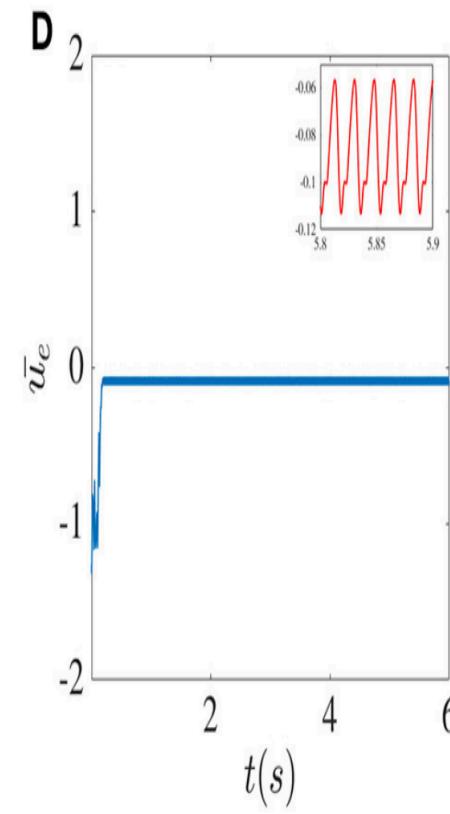
$M=11$



$M=16$



$M=21$



**E**



**F**



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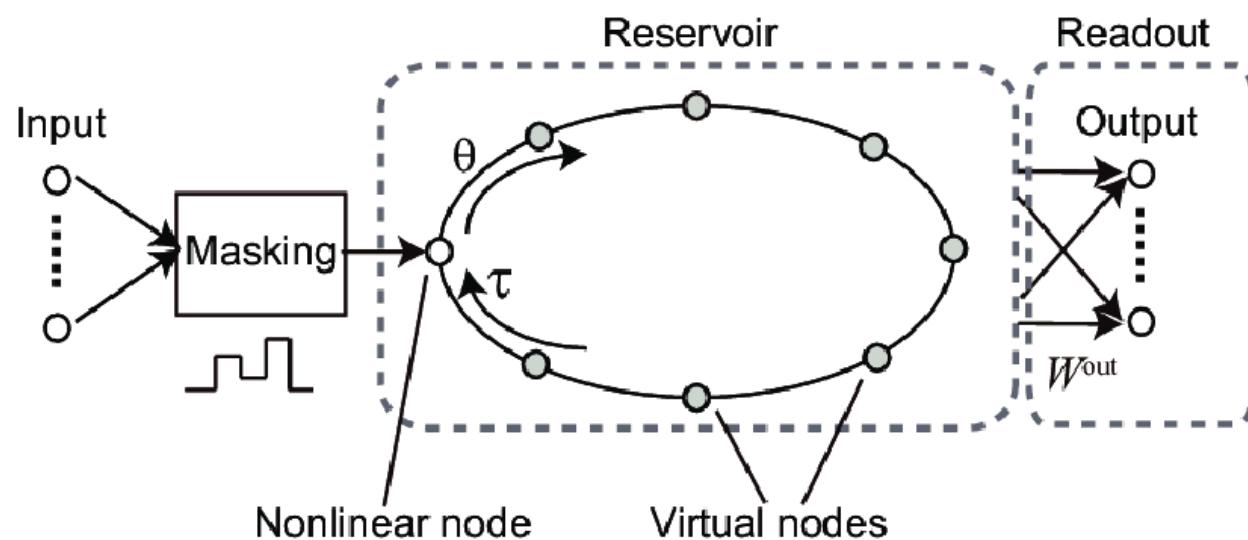


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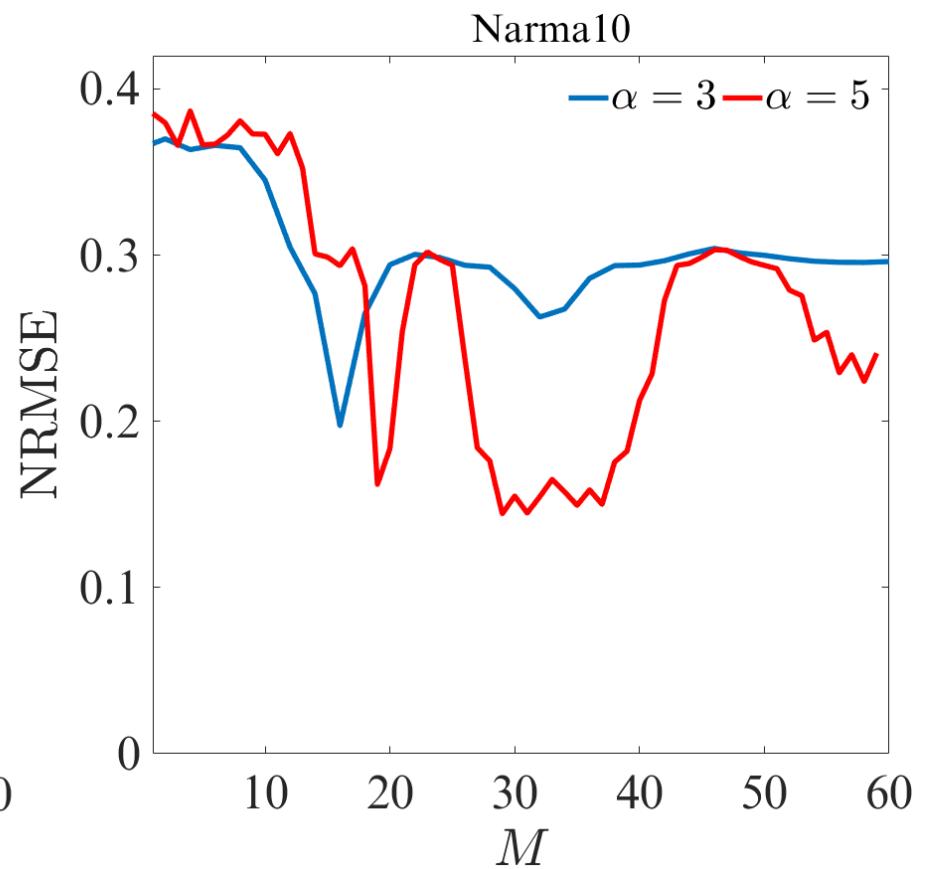
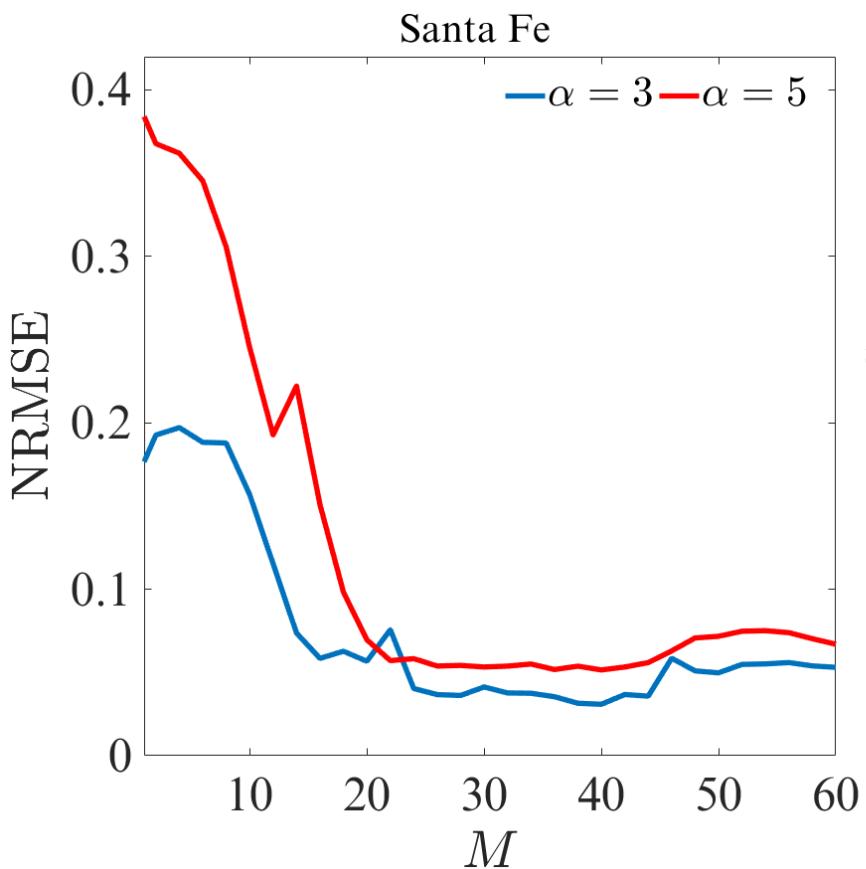


# RESERVOIR COMPUTING WITH DELAYED LOOPS

(APPELTANT ET AL. 2011)



# RESERVOIR COMPUTING WITH MULTIPLE DELAYS (LASER SYSTEM)



# ❖ SUMMARY

- Transition to simplicity can be abrupt or follow inverse period-doubling sequence in Mackey-Glass blood cell control model
- Large number of delays generally favors simplified dynamics in delayed differential equations in 1-3 variables.
- Chaotic recurrent neural networks may not be simplified by local delays alone.
- The presence of both local delays and global inhibitory feedback may cause collapse to simple dynamics.
- Multiple (but not too many) delays increases entropy: randomness generation
- Multiple delays can benefit reservoir computing:  
→ proximity of equilibrium and stronger hyper-chaos

**THANK YOU!**