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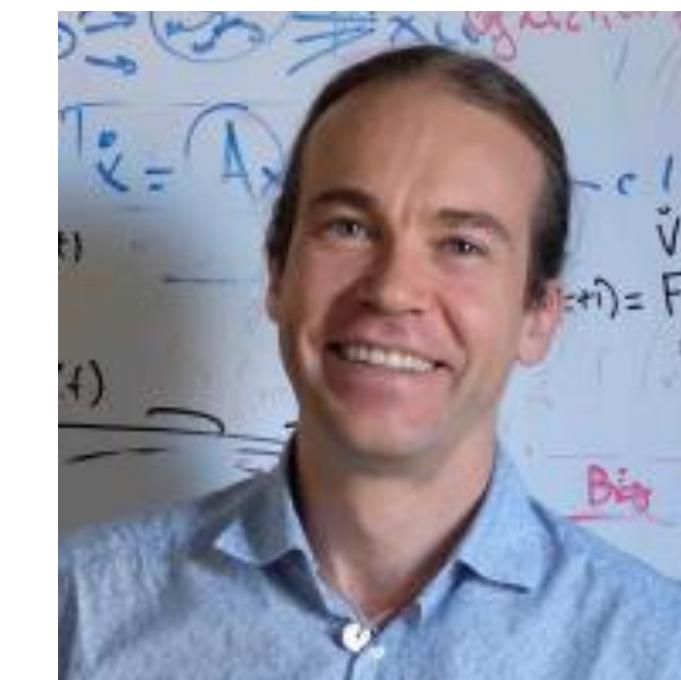
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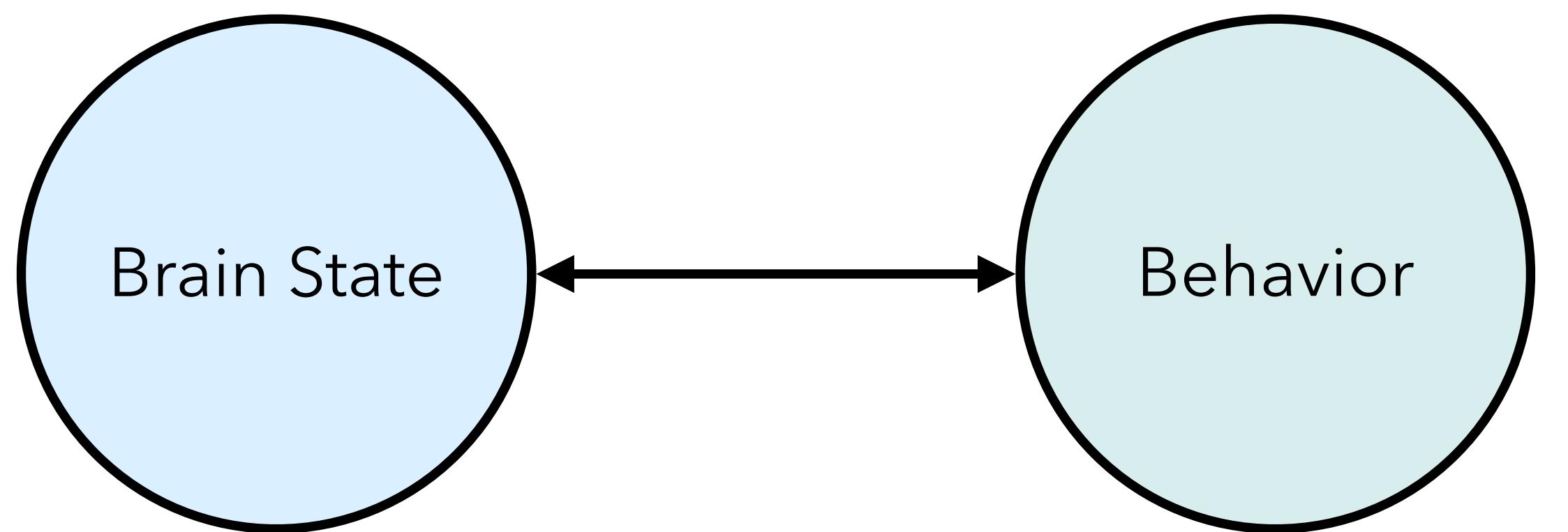
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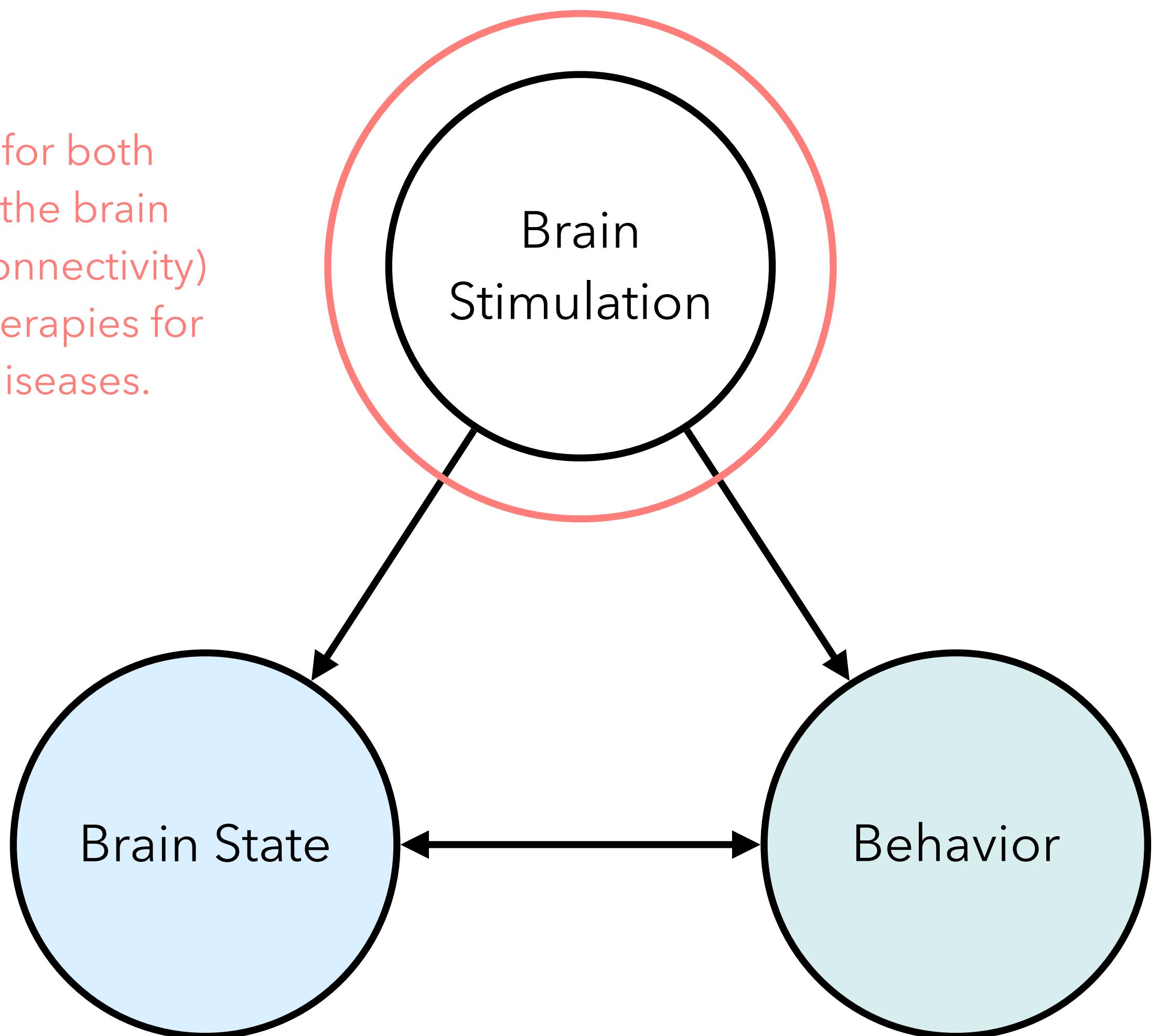
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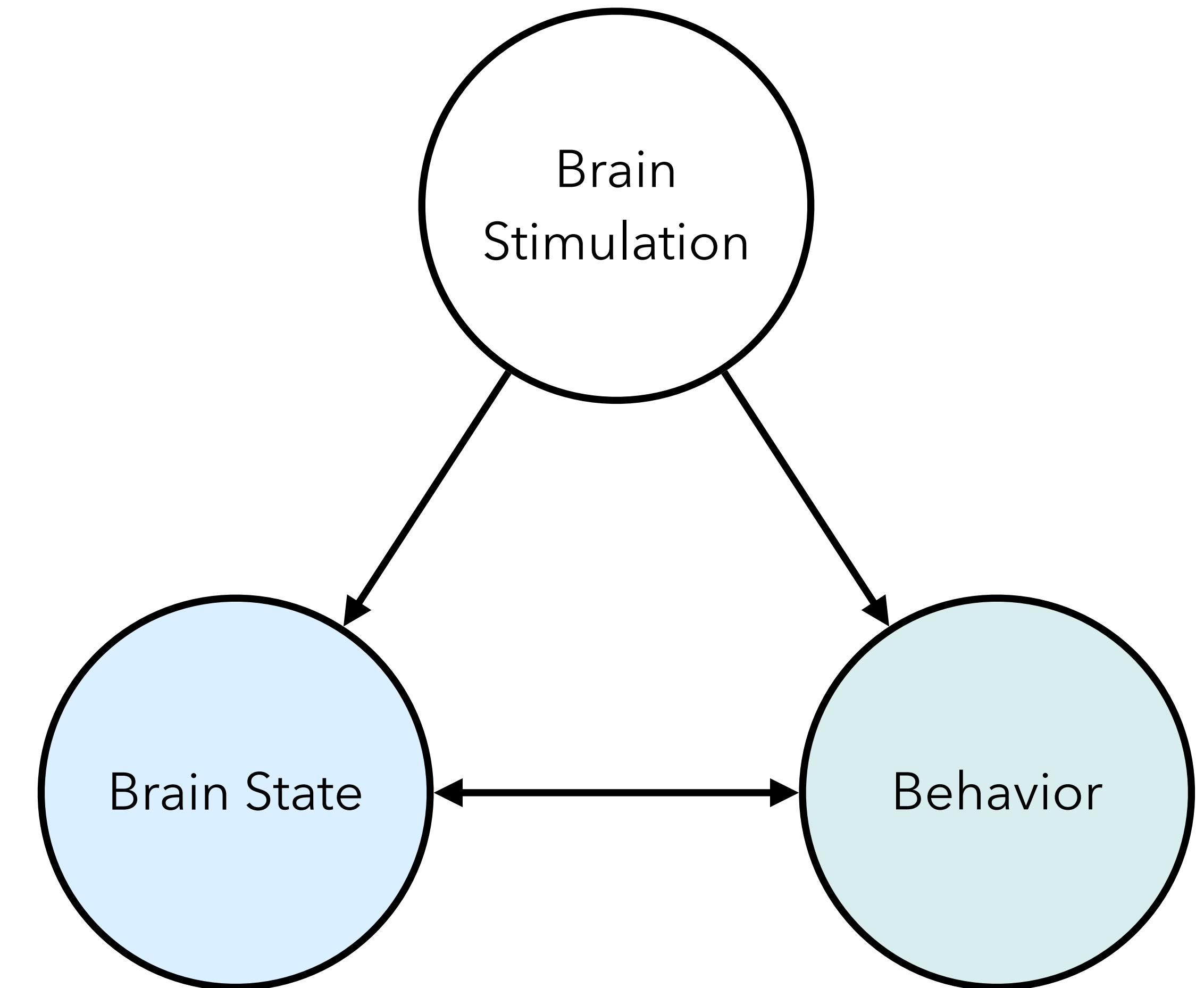
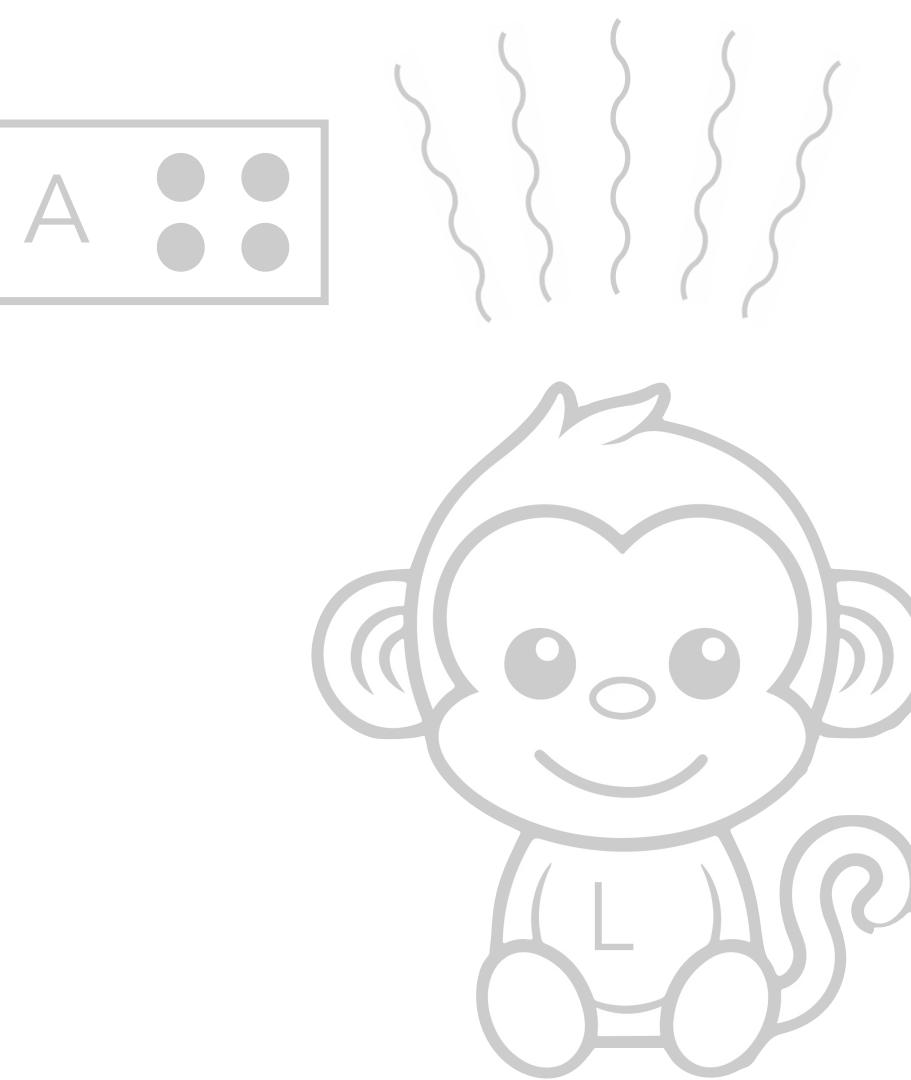


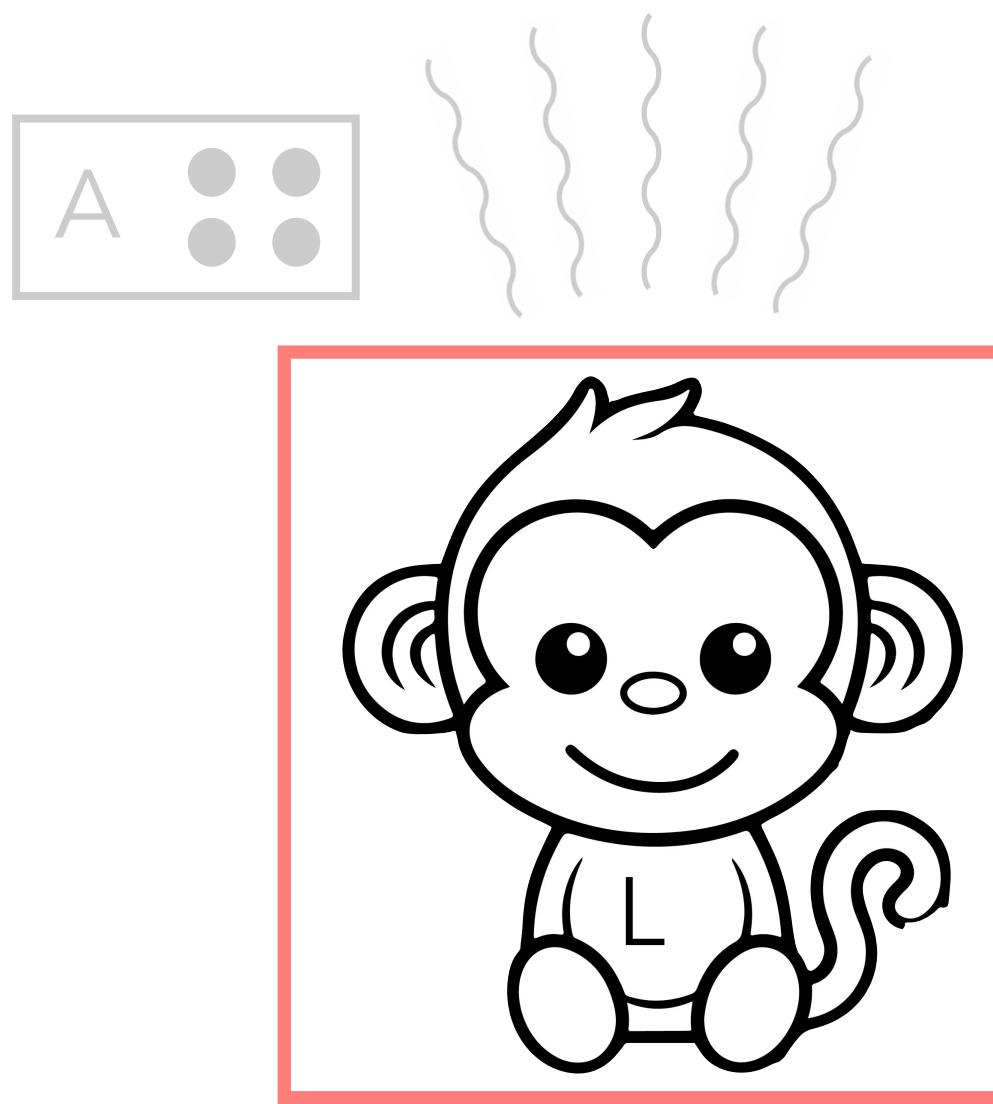
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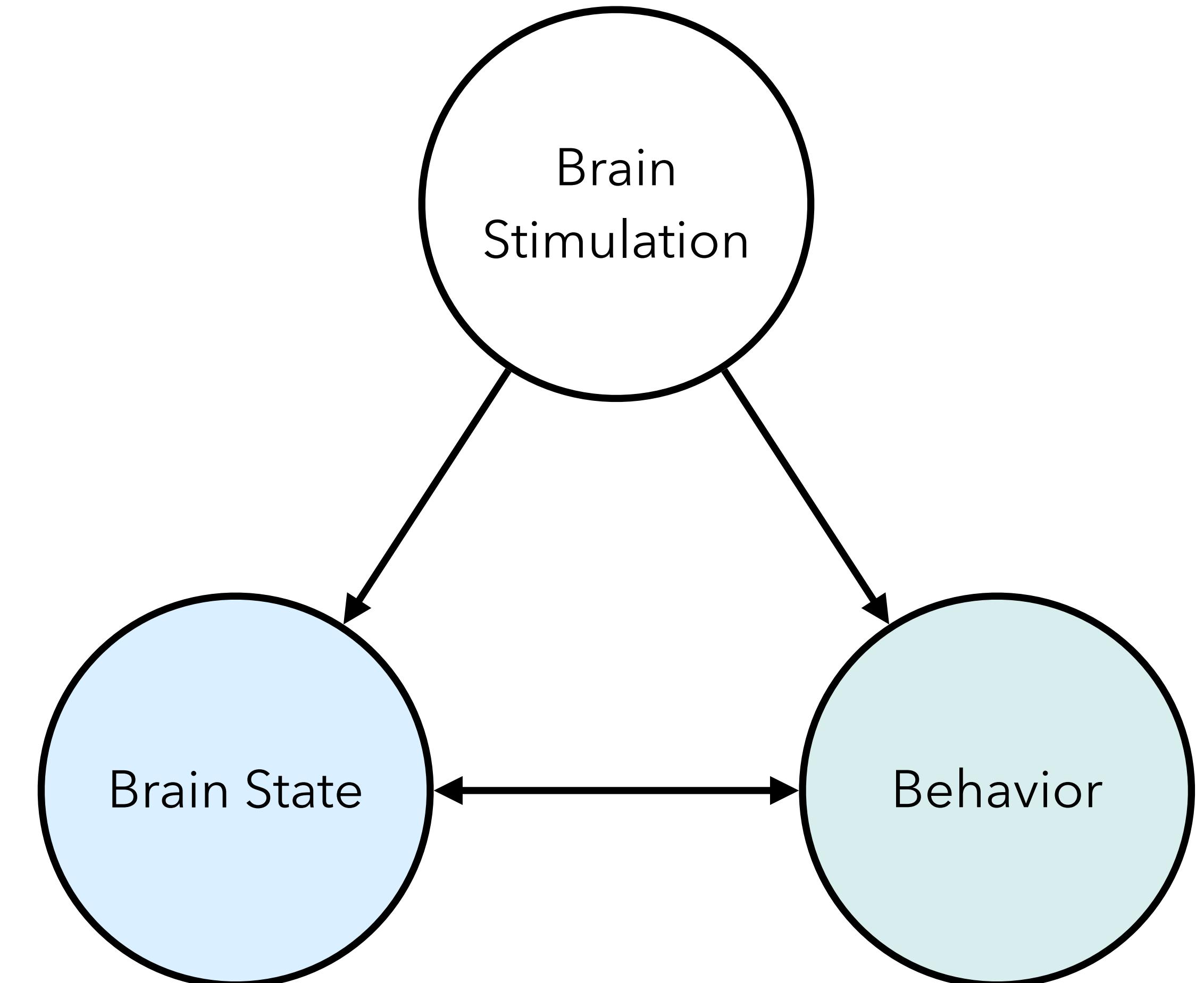
Opportunities for both understanding the brain (e.g. functional connectivity) and designing therapies for neurological diseases.

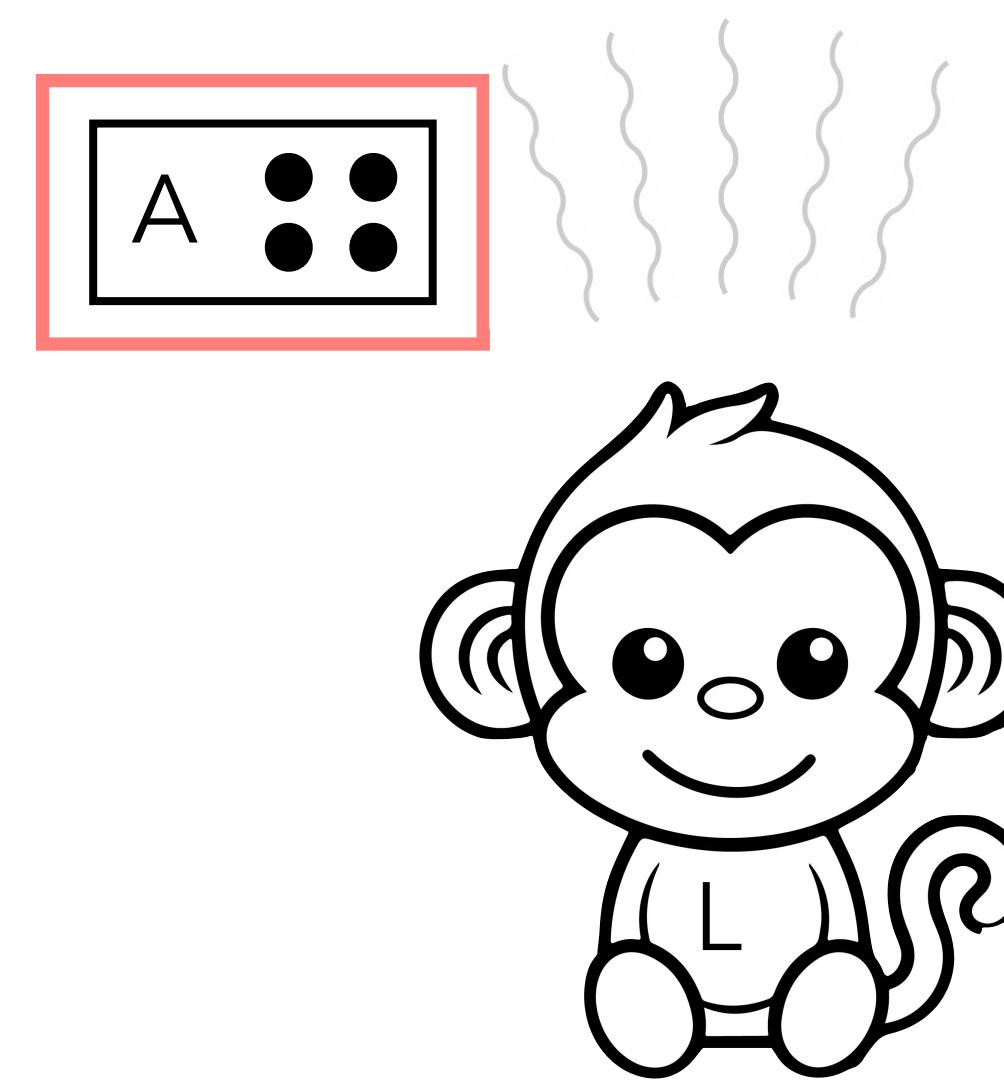




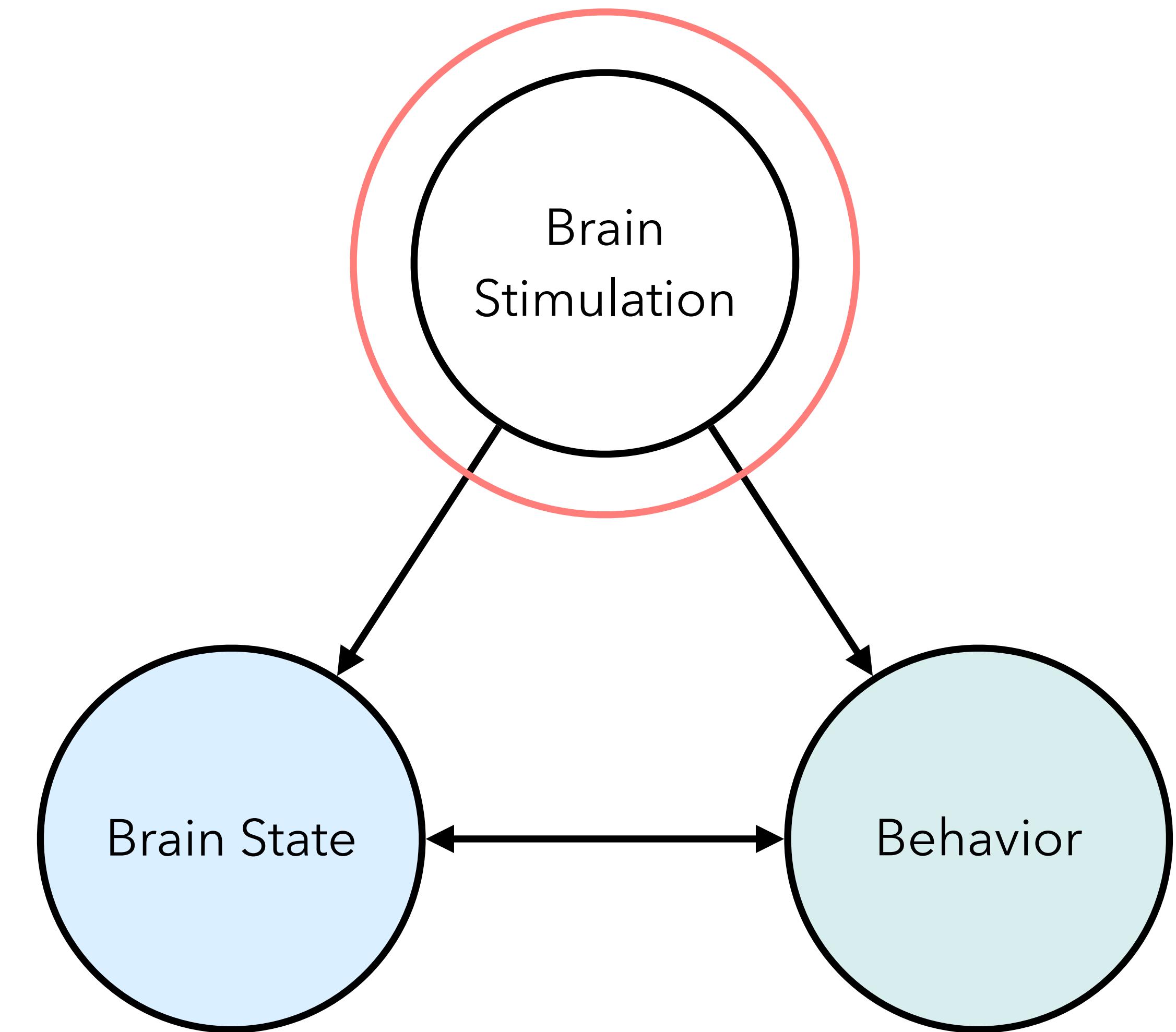


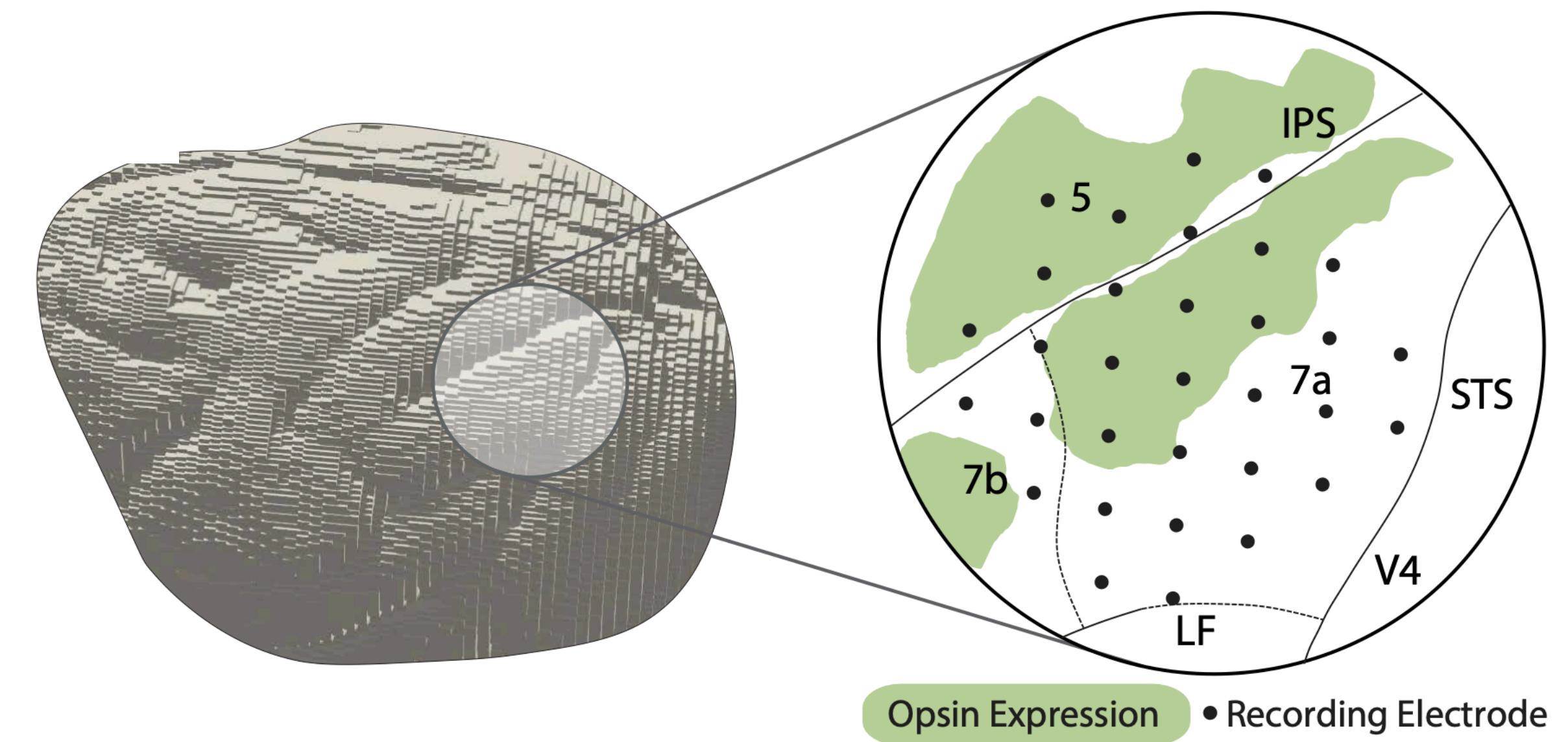
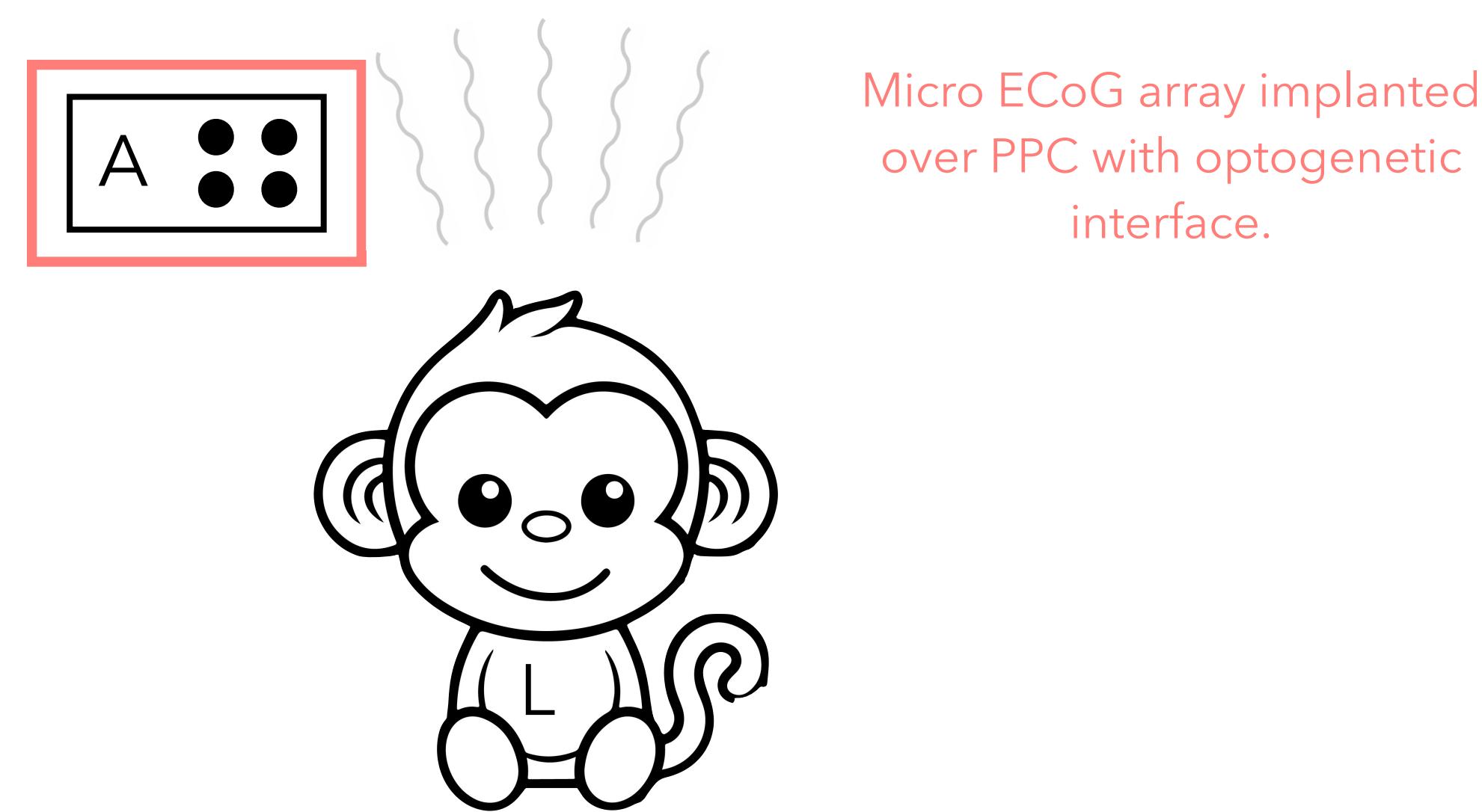
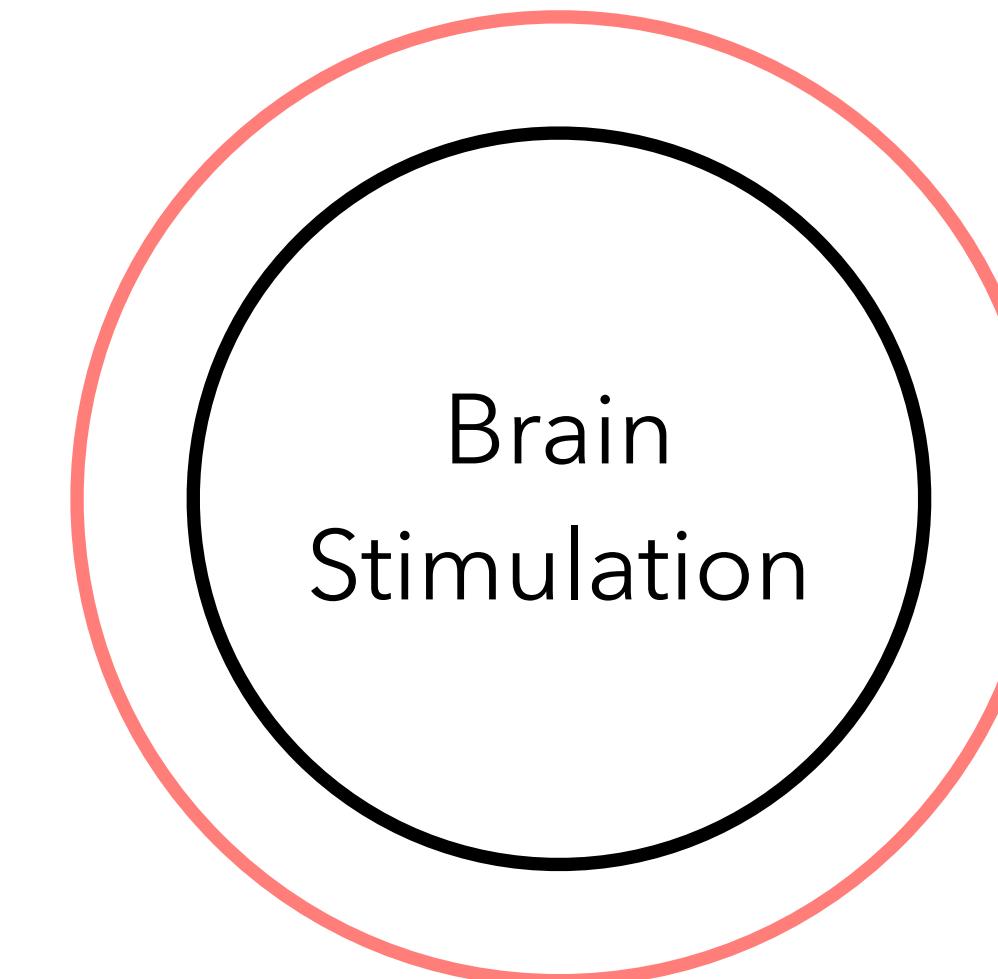
Adult male rhesus macaque monkey.



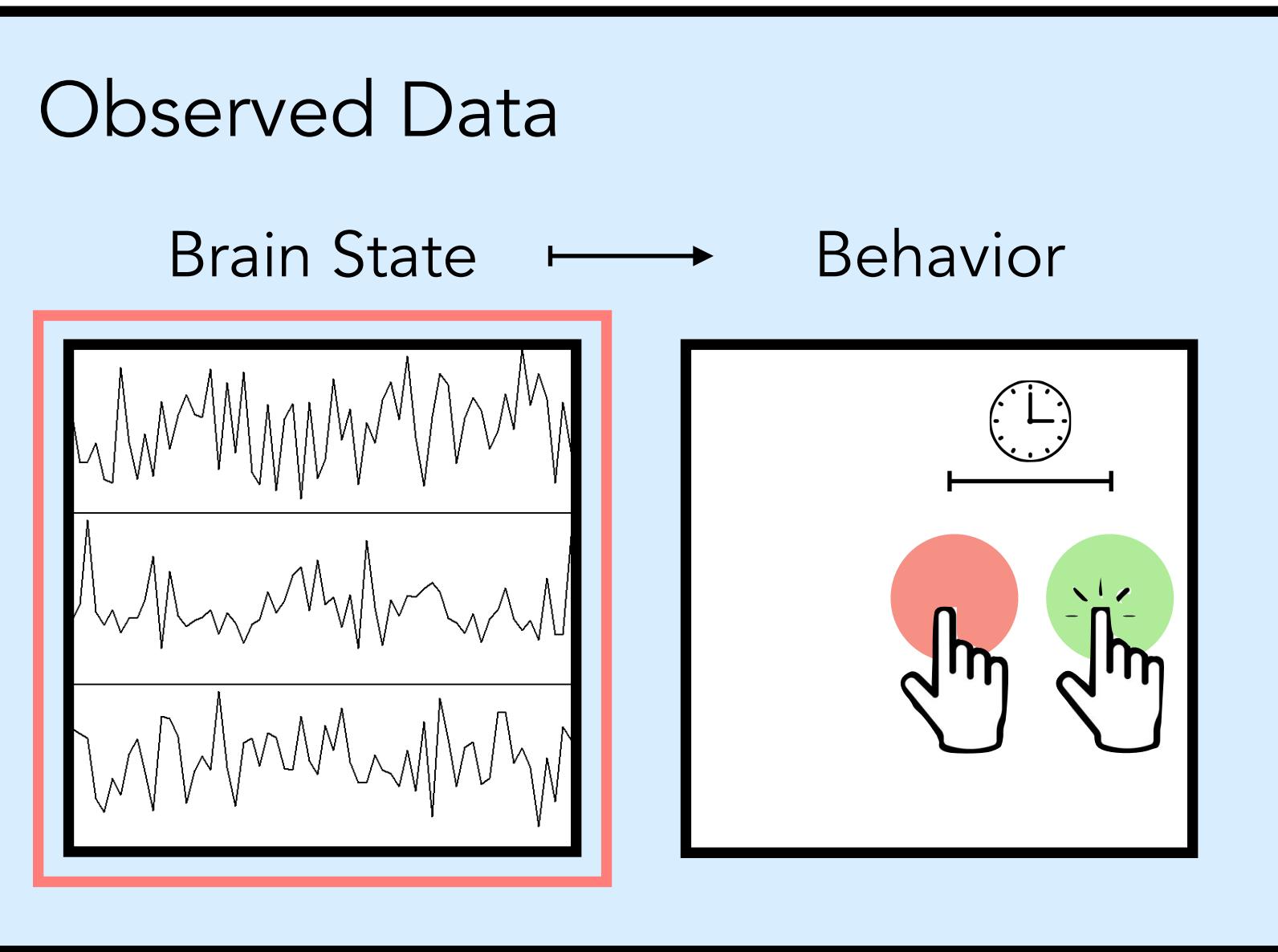


Micro ECoG array implanted
over PPC with optogenetic
interface.

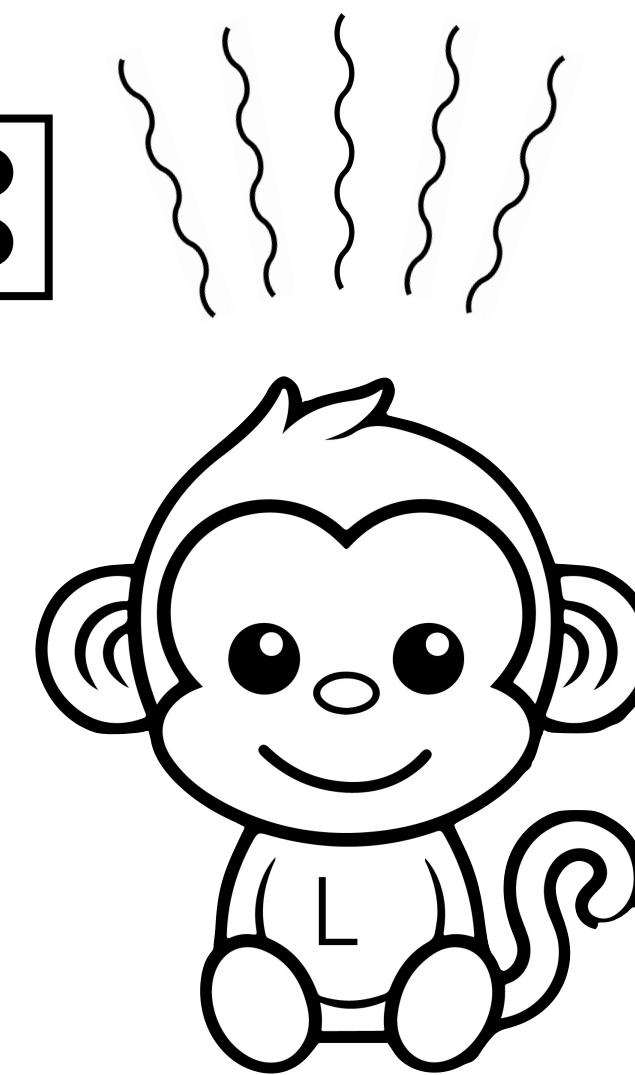
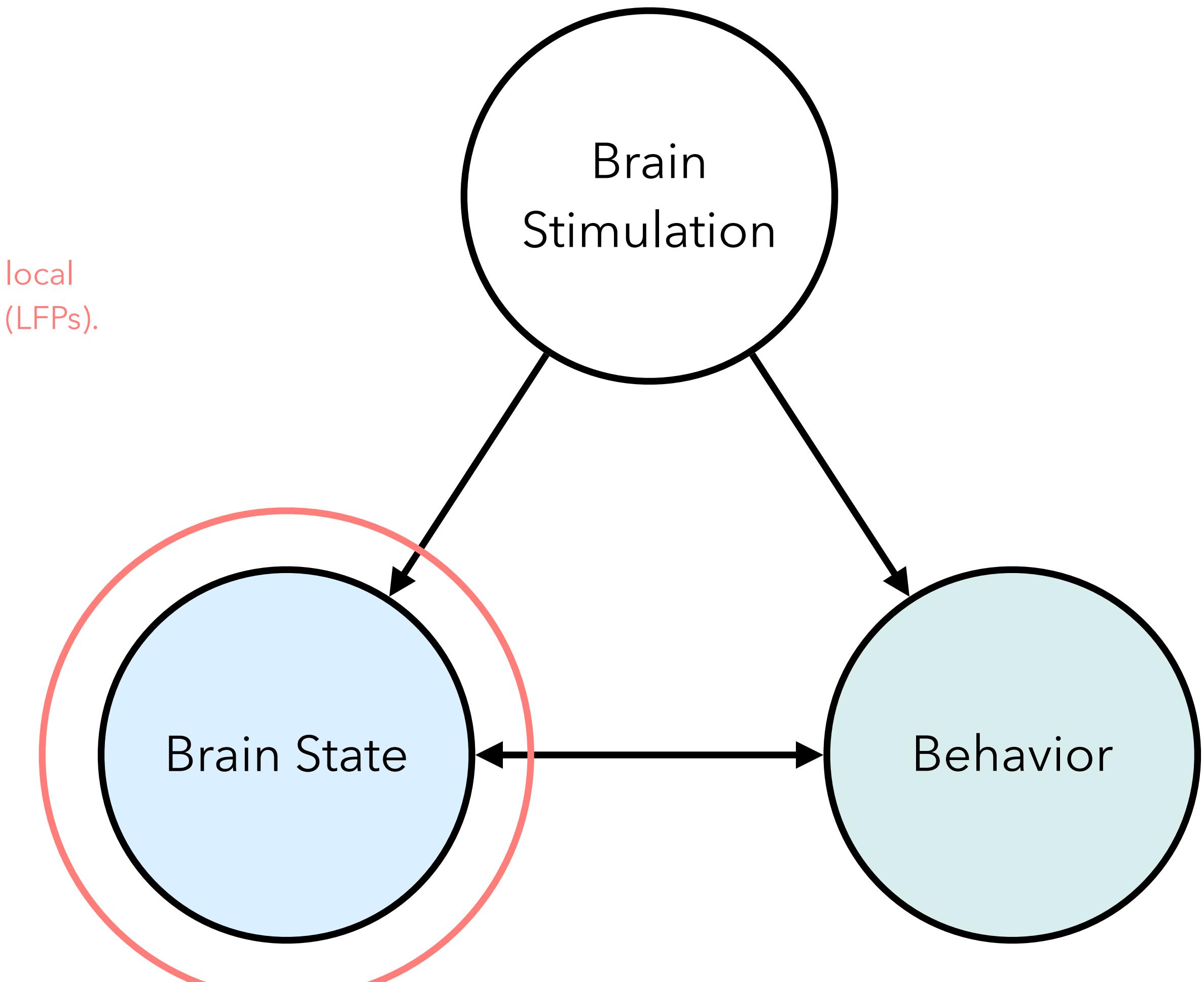




*pan neuronal inhibitory optogenetic viral vector
(AAV8-hSyn-Jaws-GFP, UNC Vector Core, NC, USA)

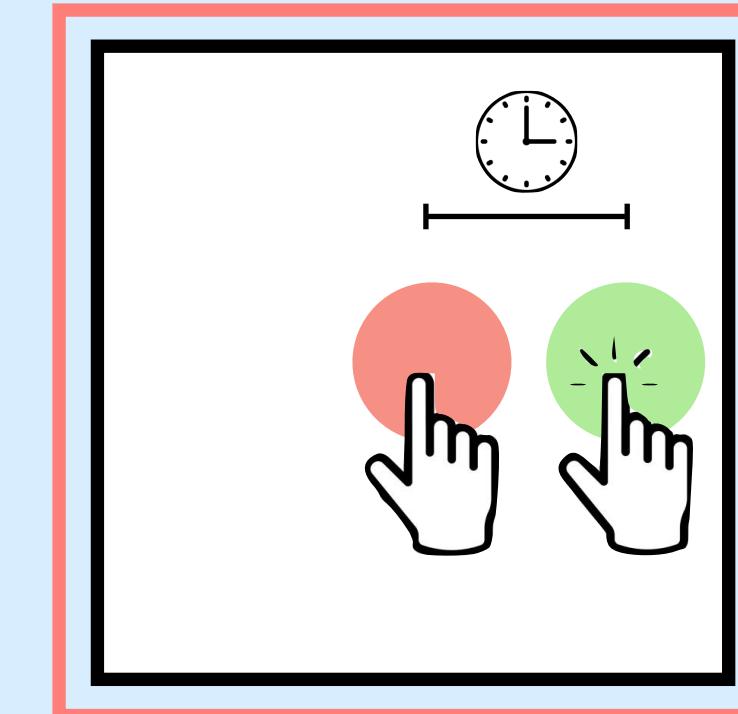
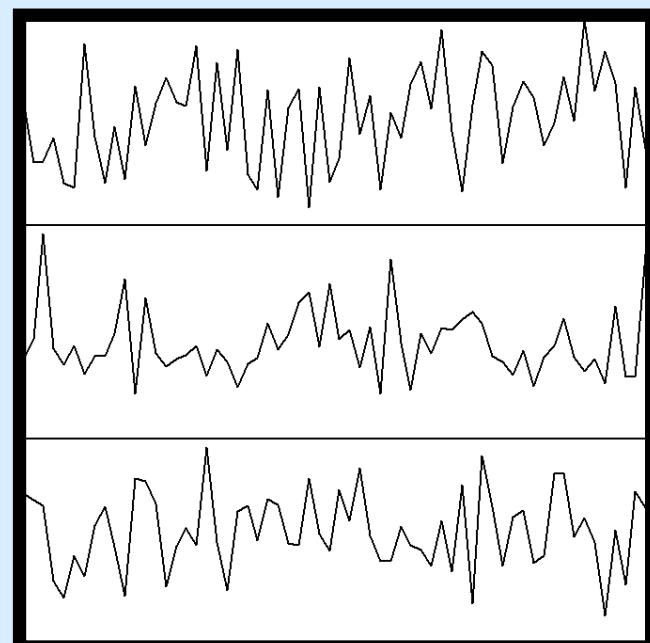


Light-evoked local
field potentials (LFPs).

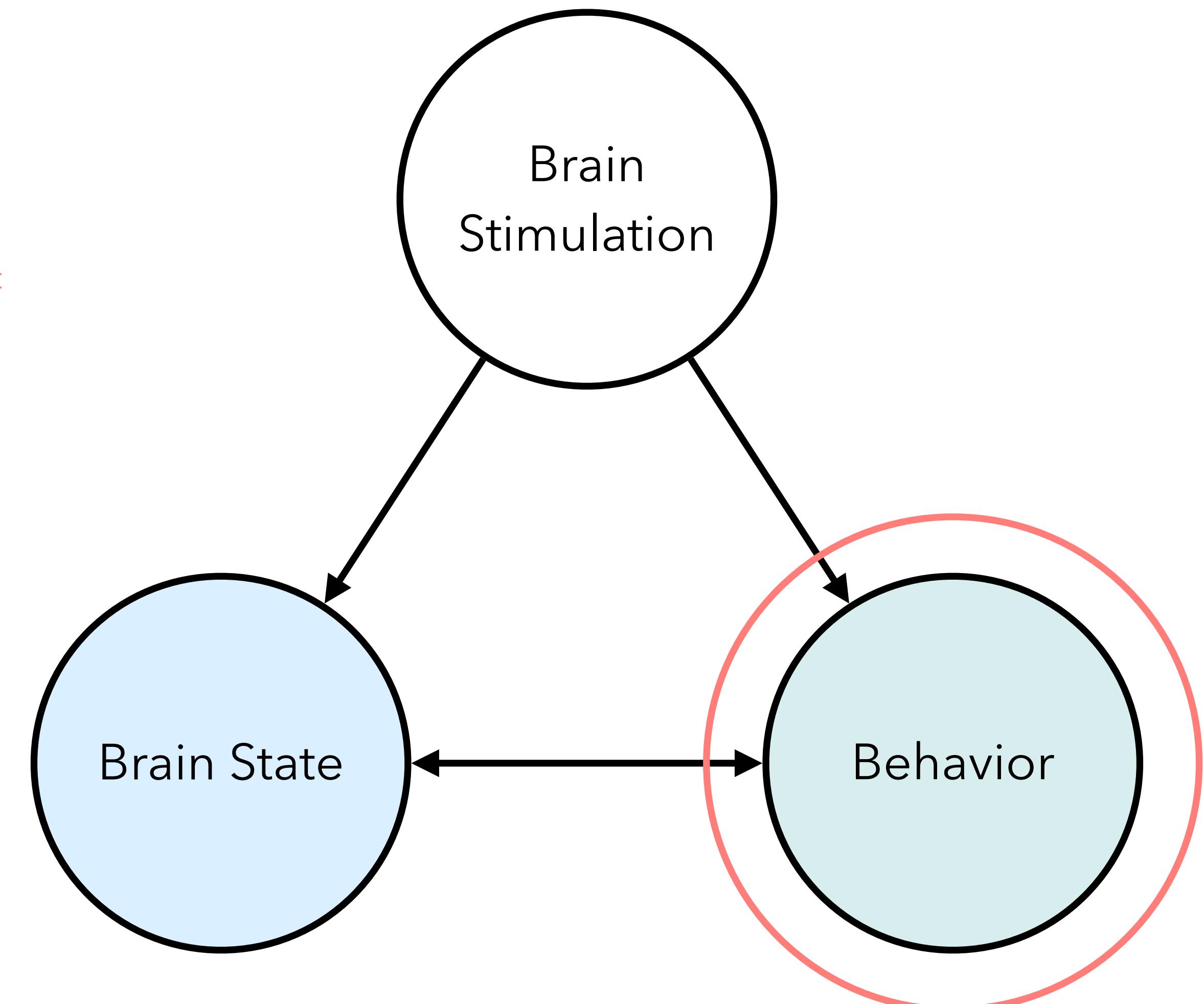
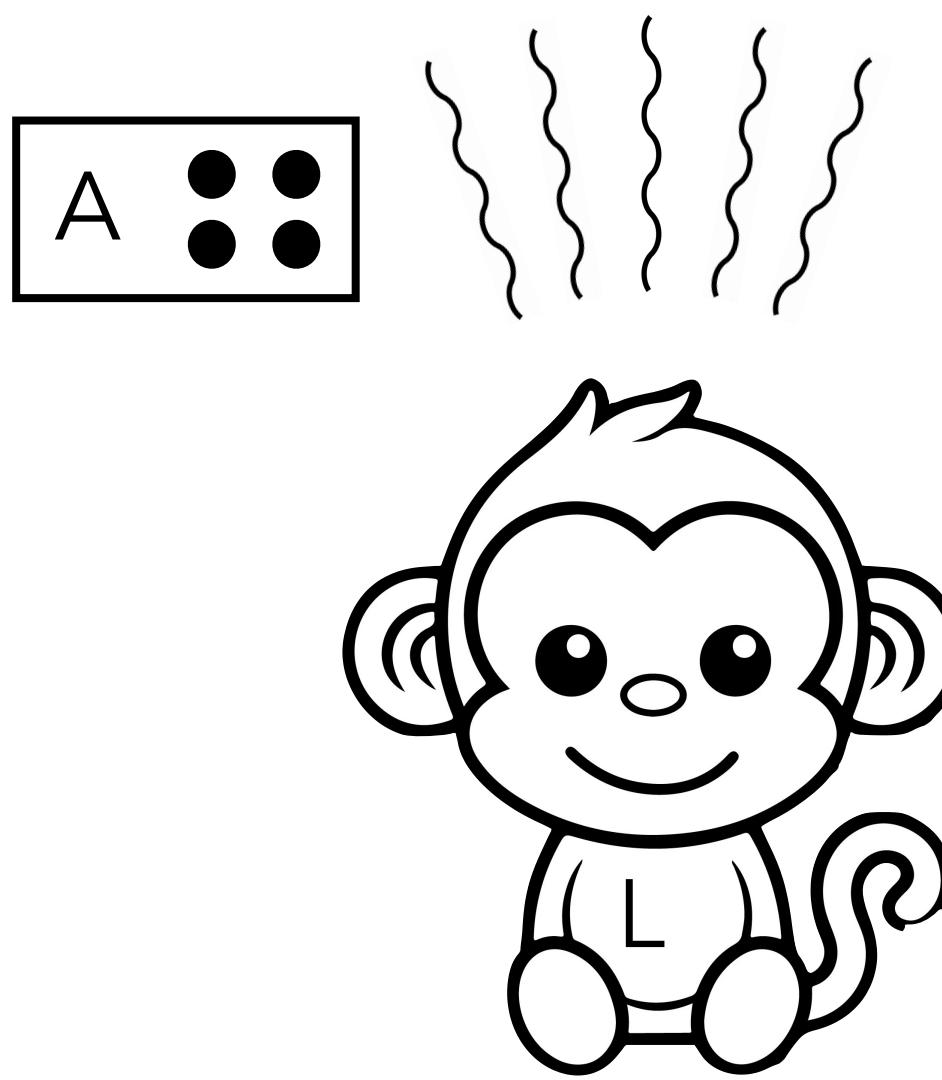


Observed Data

Brain State ↔ Behavior

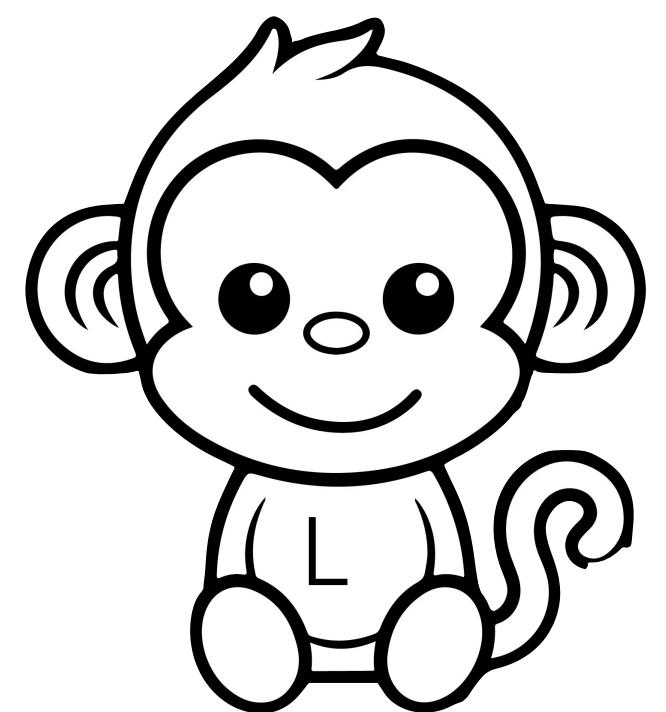
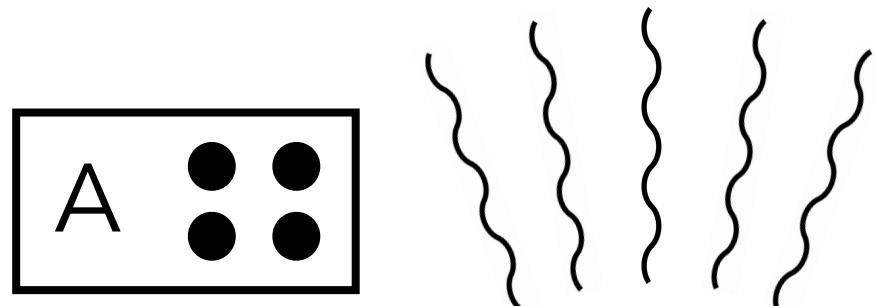
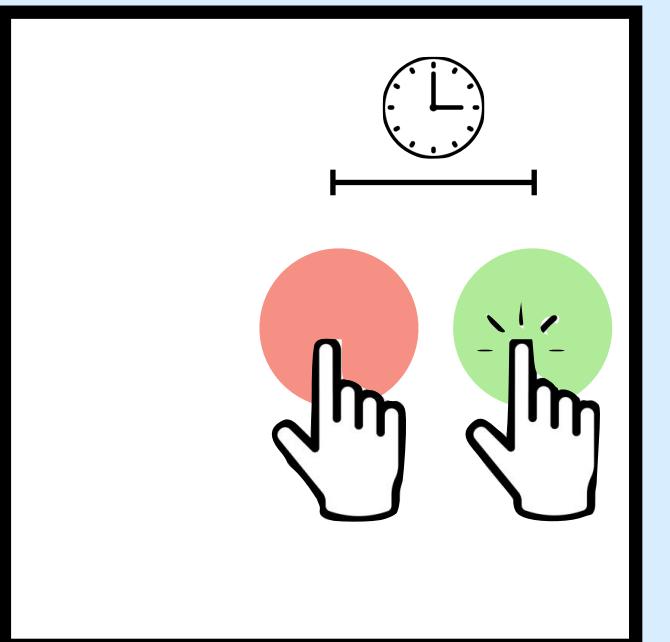
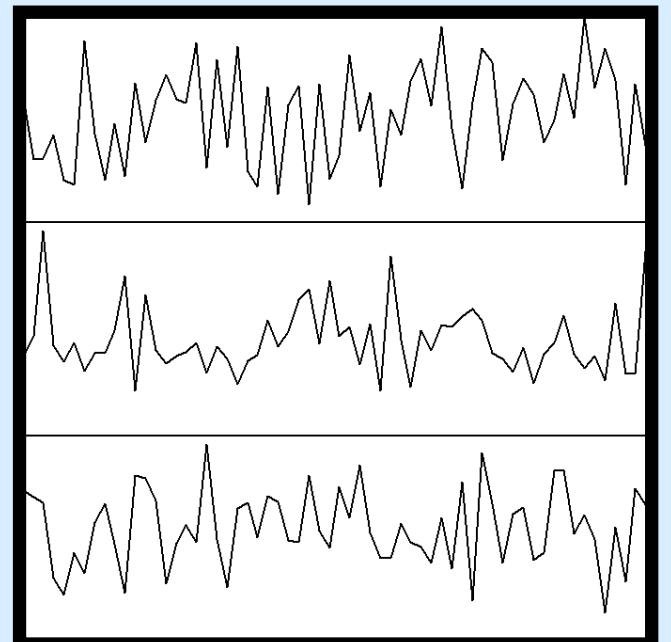


Delayed center-out
reach task.



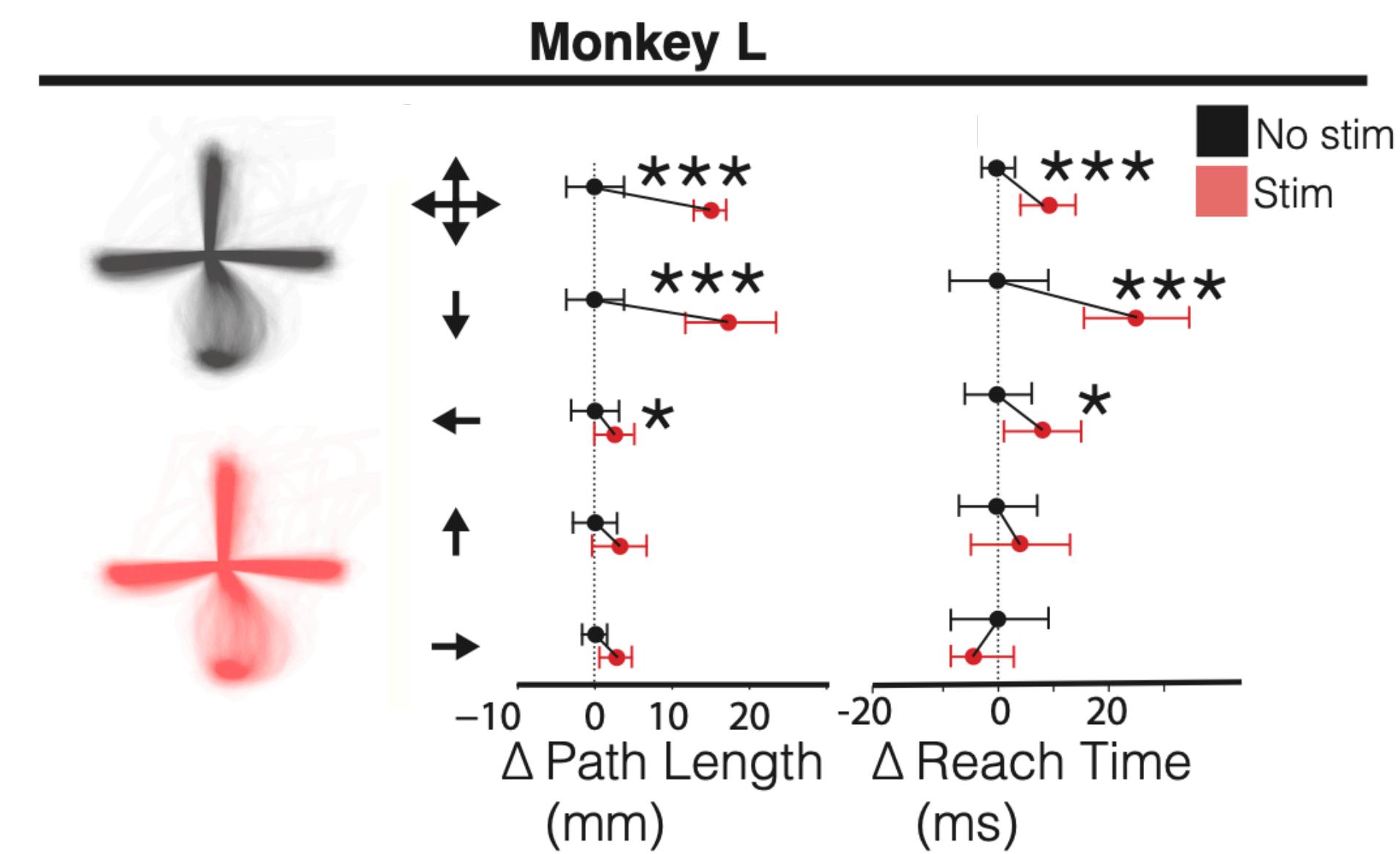
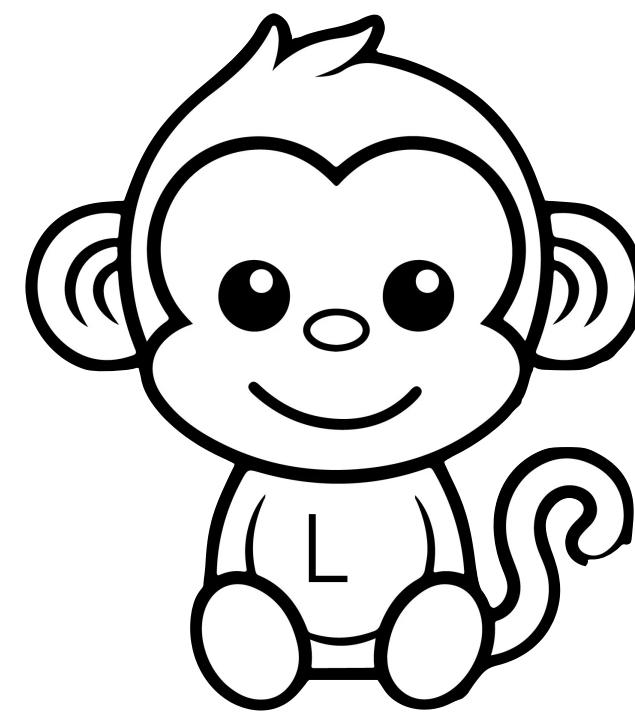
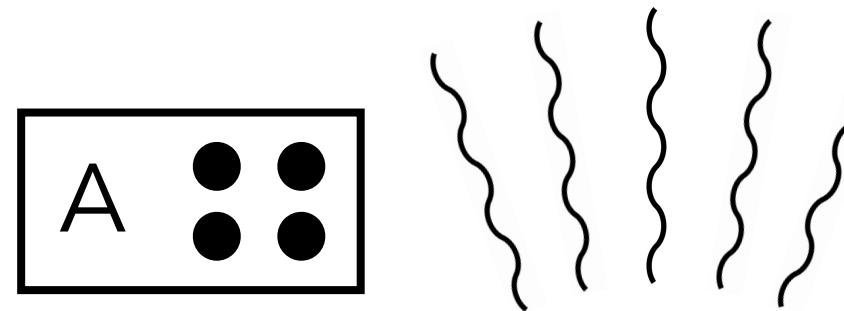
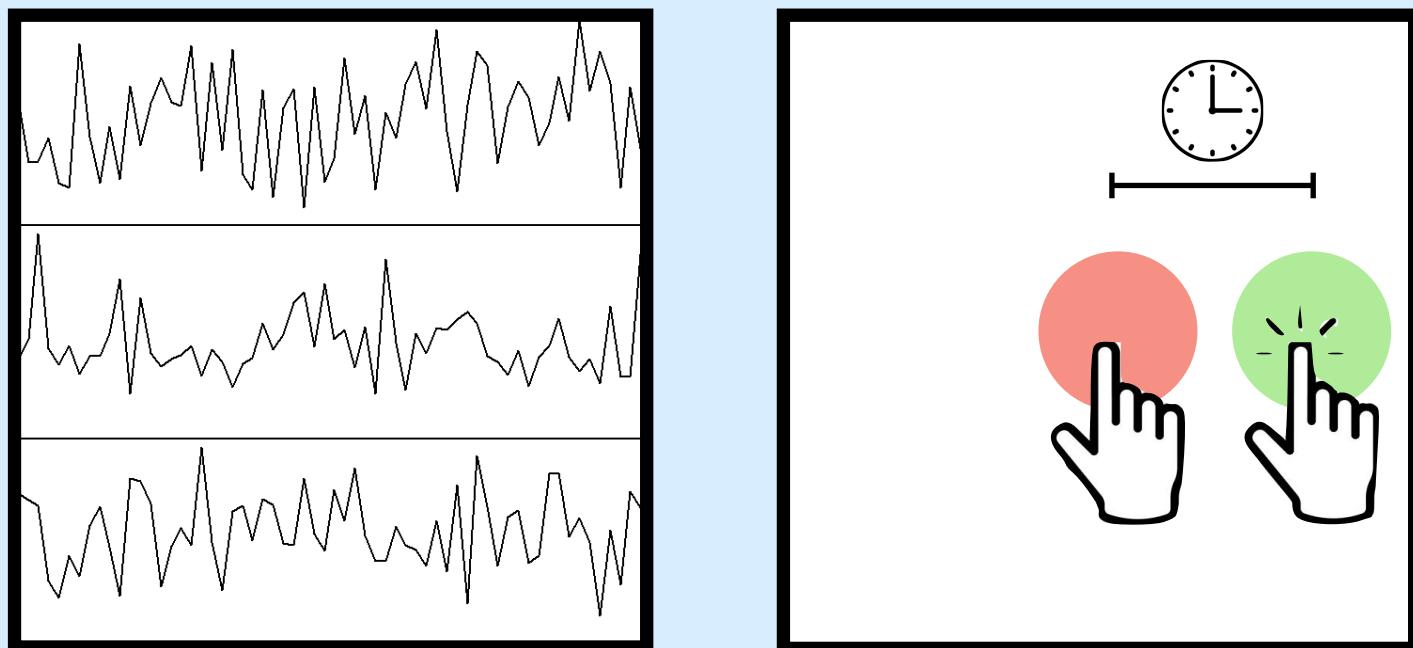
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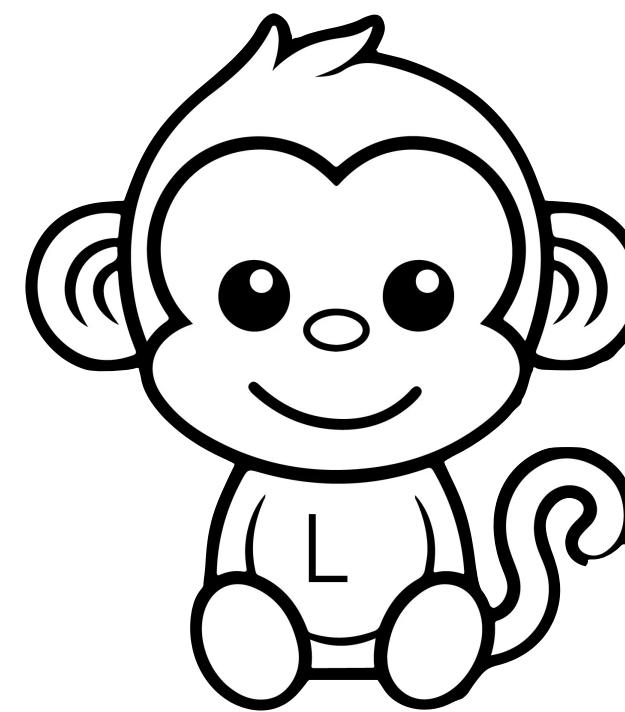
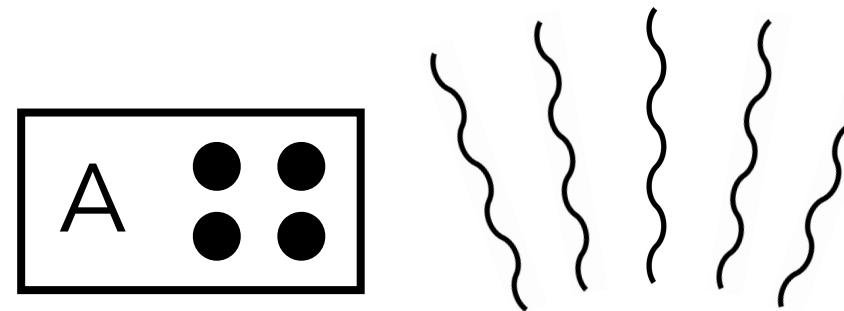
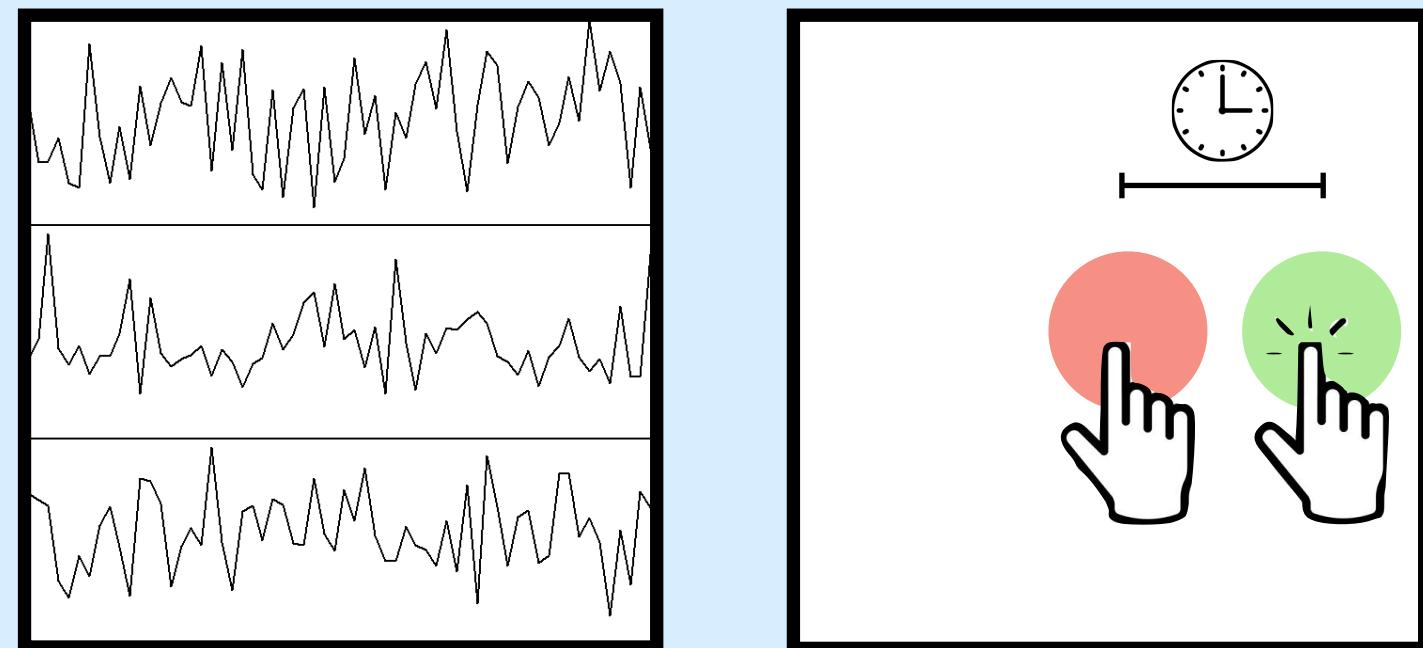
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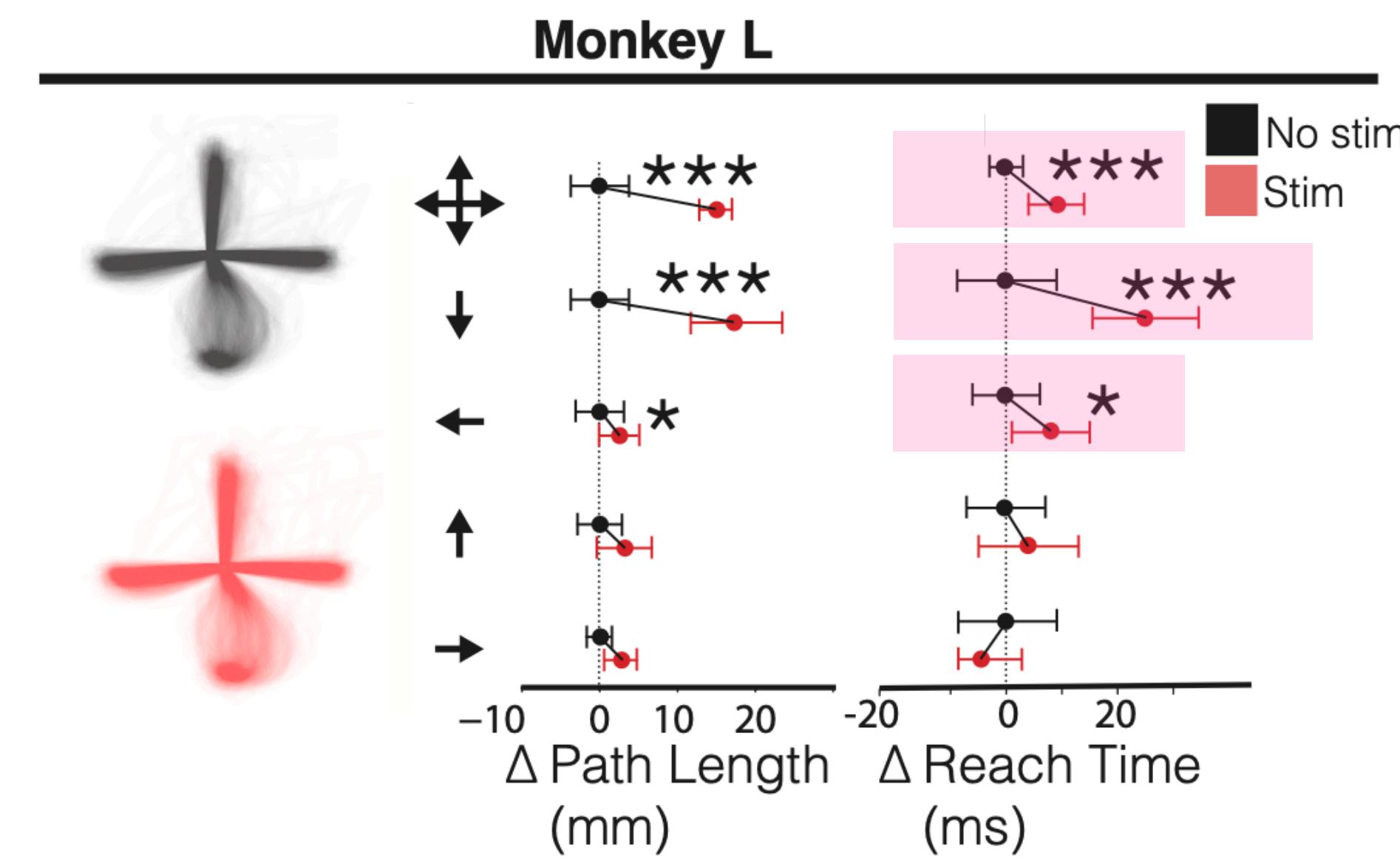


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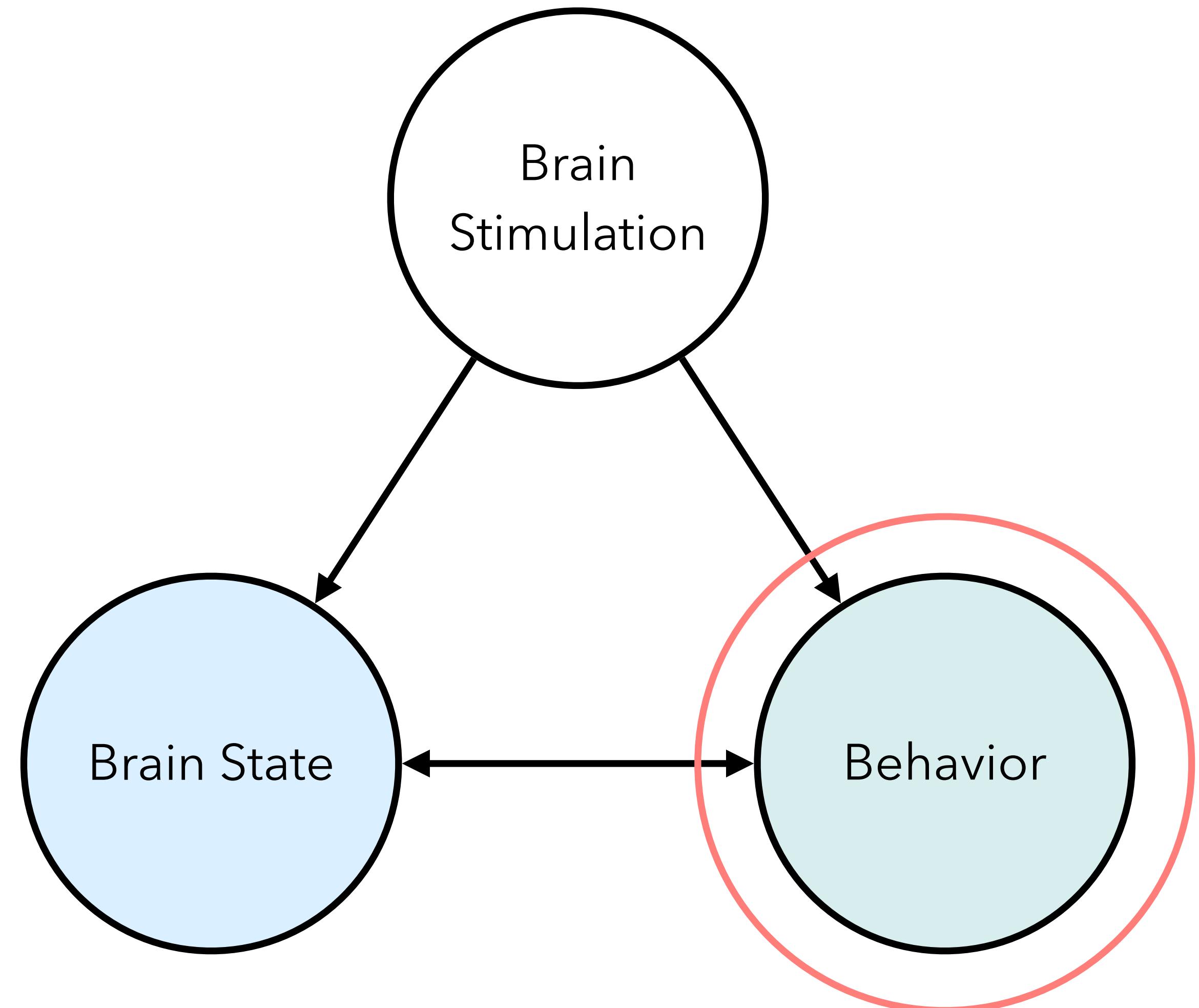
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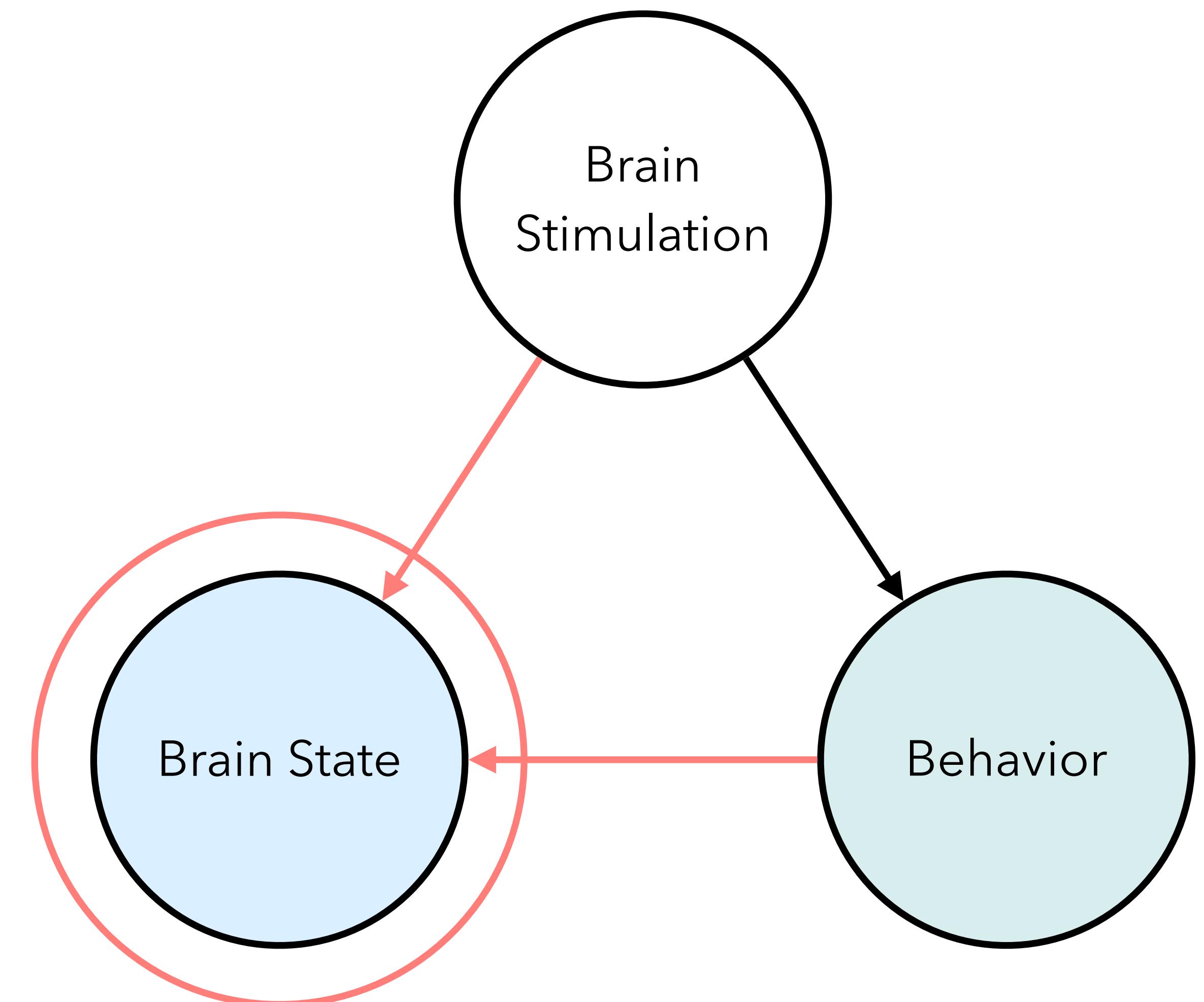
Optogenetic stimulation + inhibitory opsins result in delayed reach times.



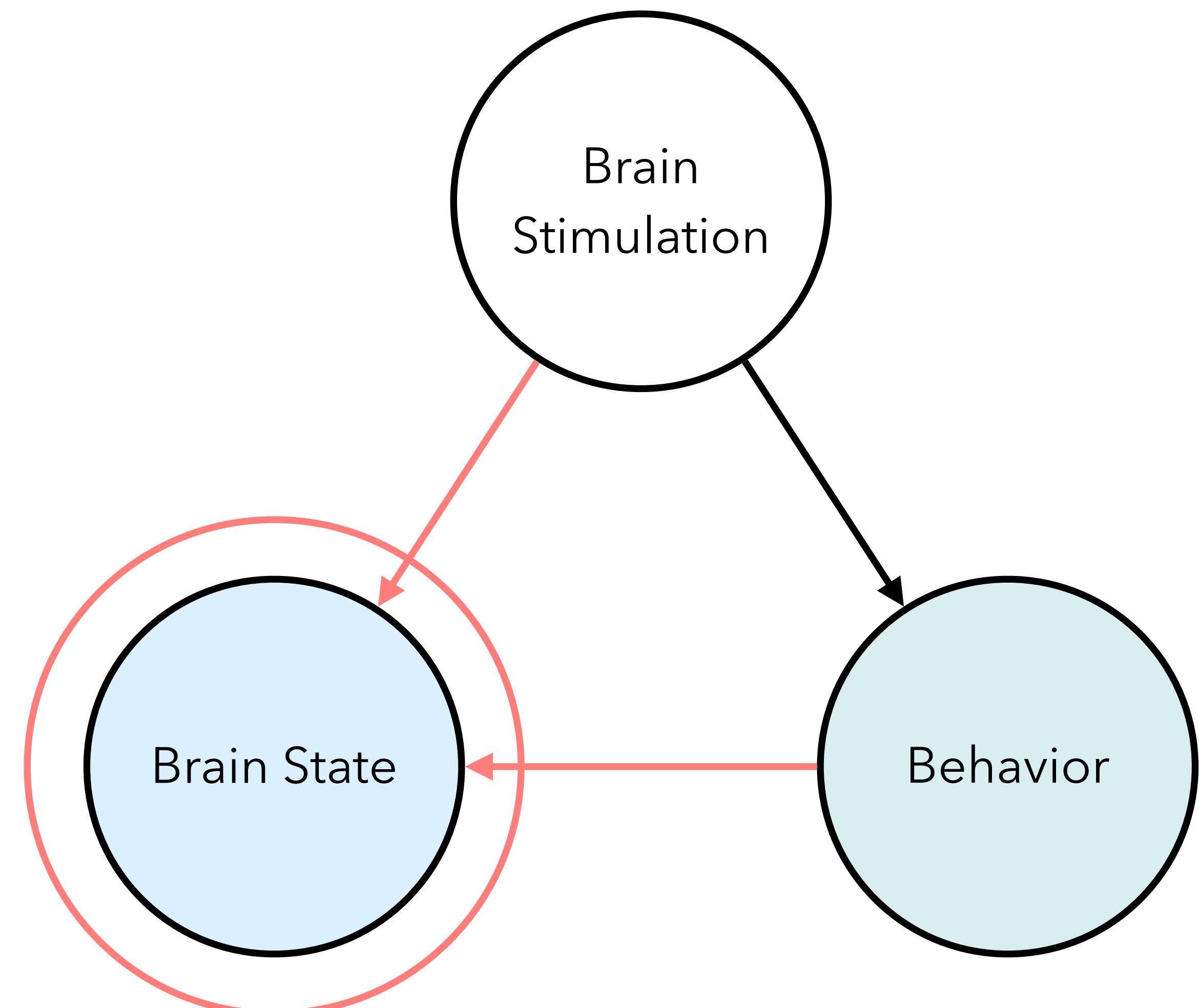
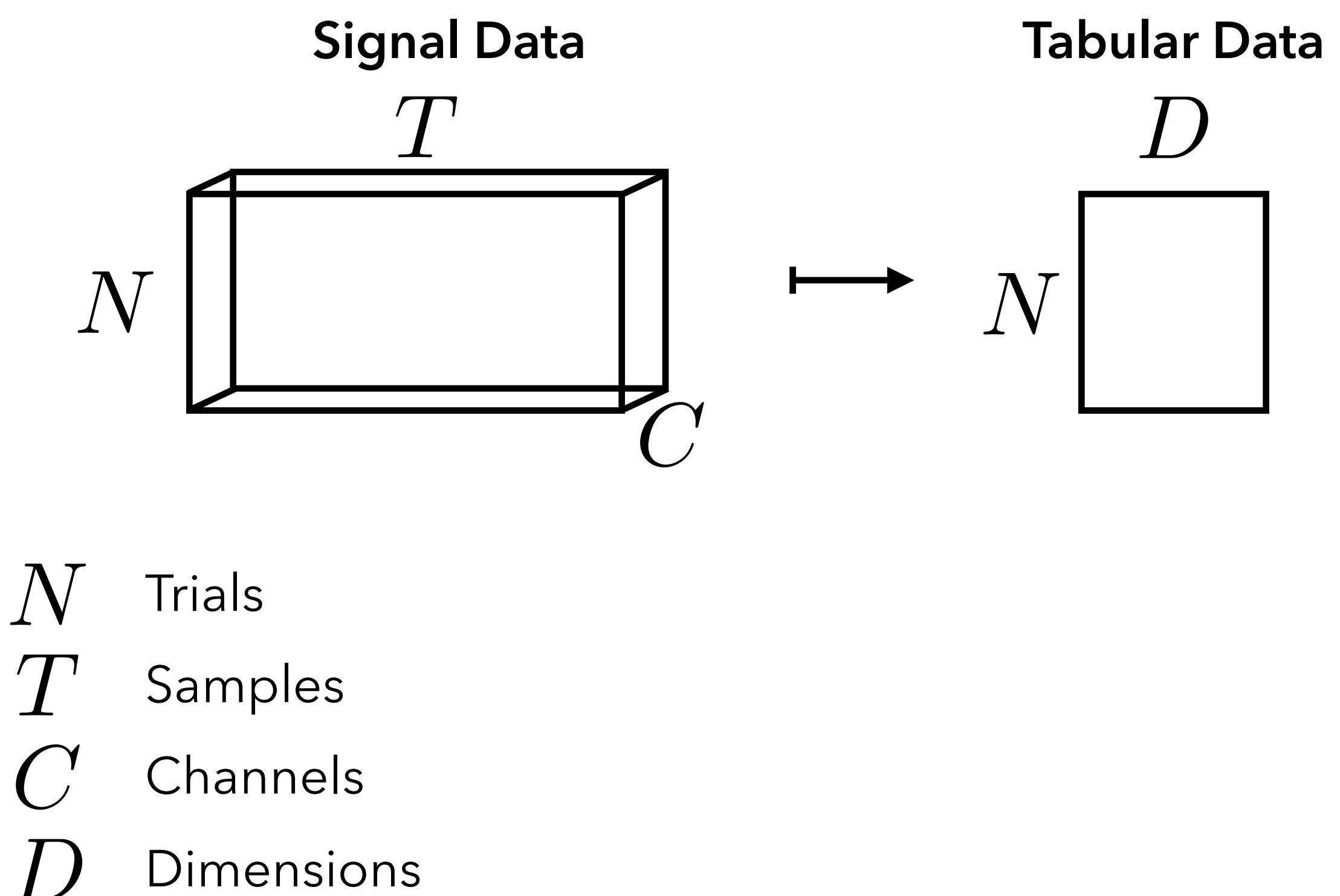
We observed changes in a one-dimensional measurement of behavior (reach time).



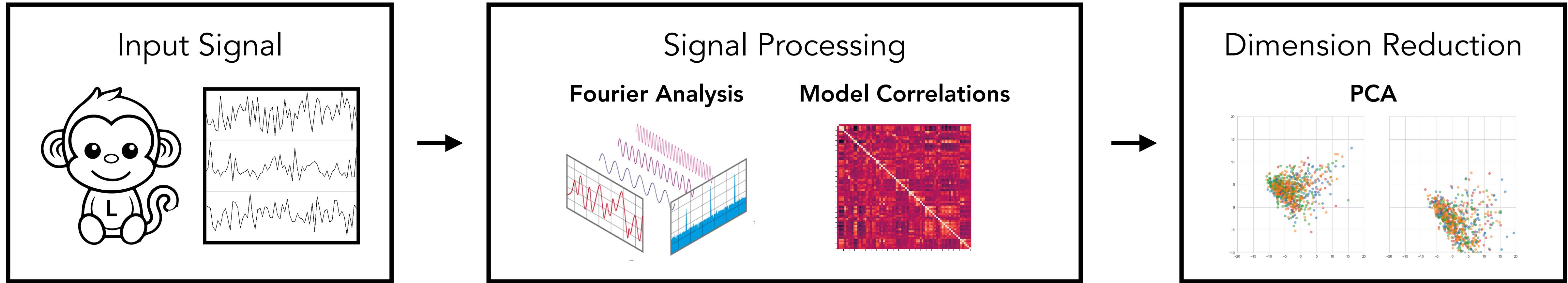
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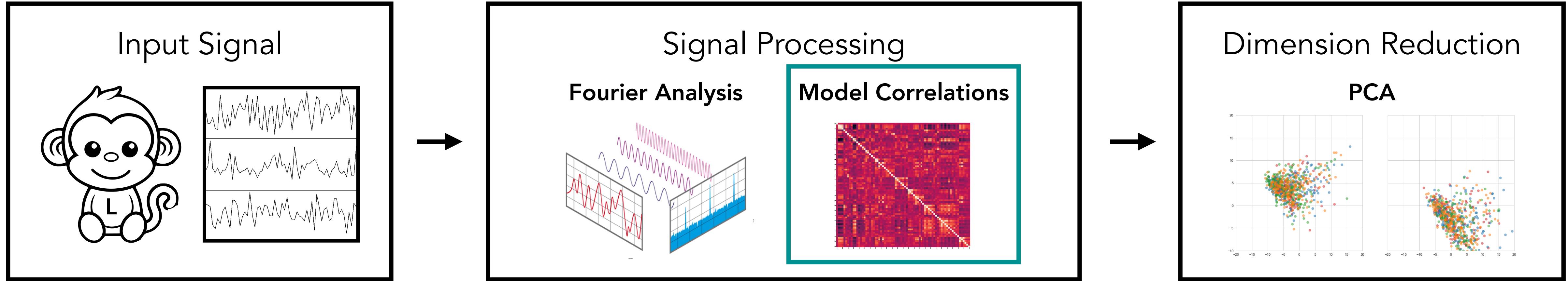
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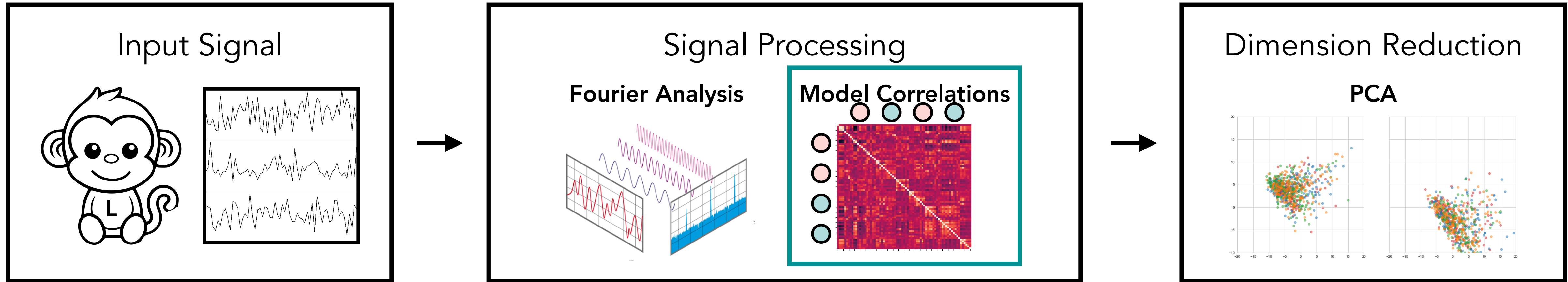
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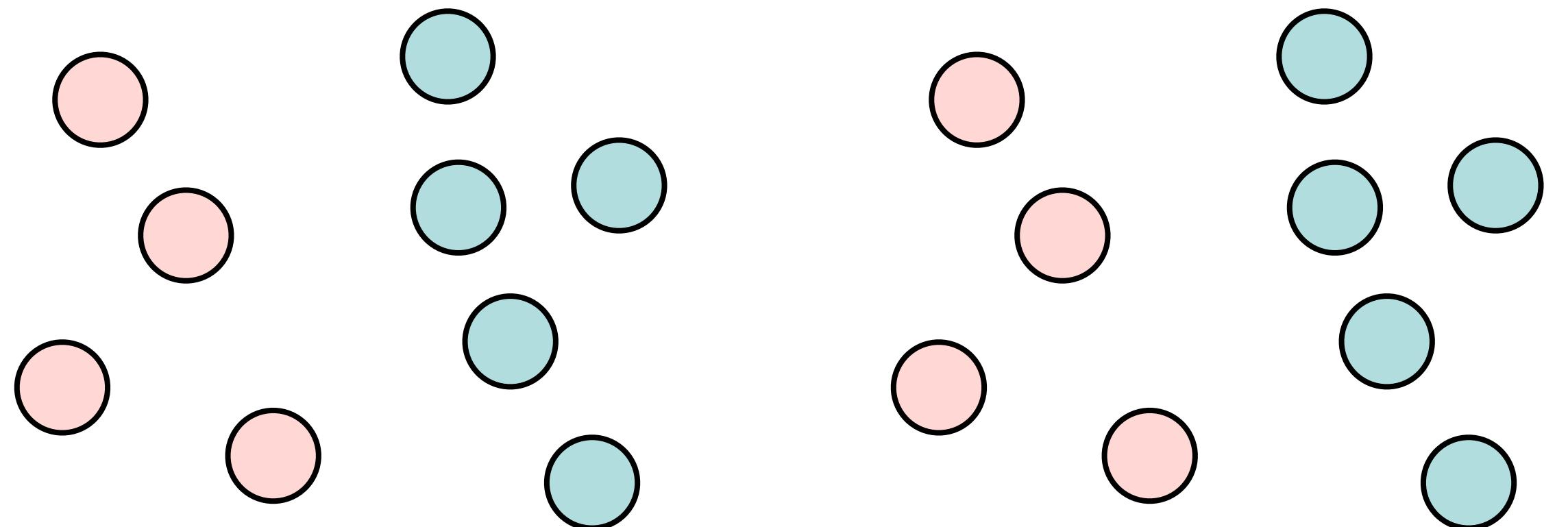
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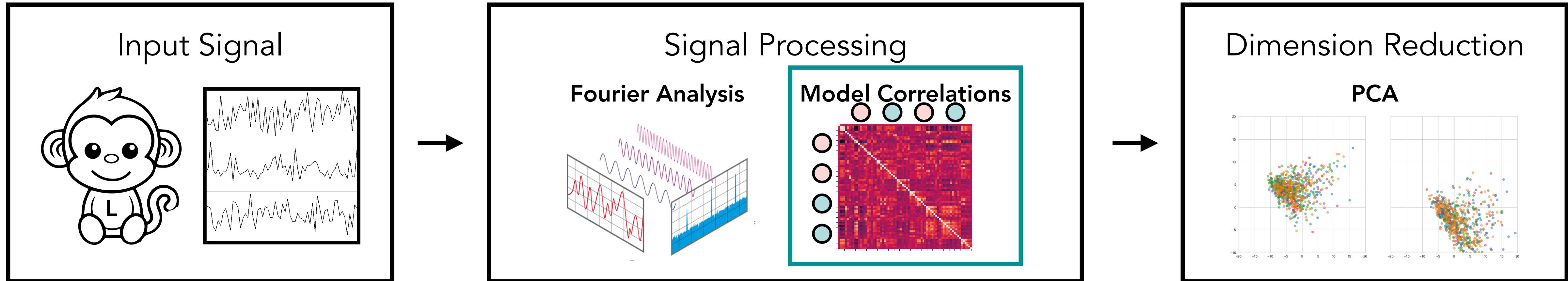


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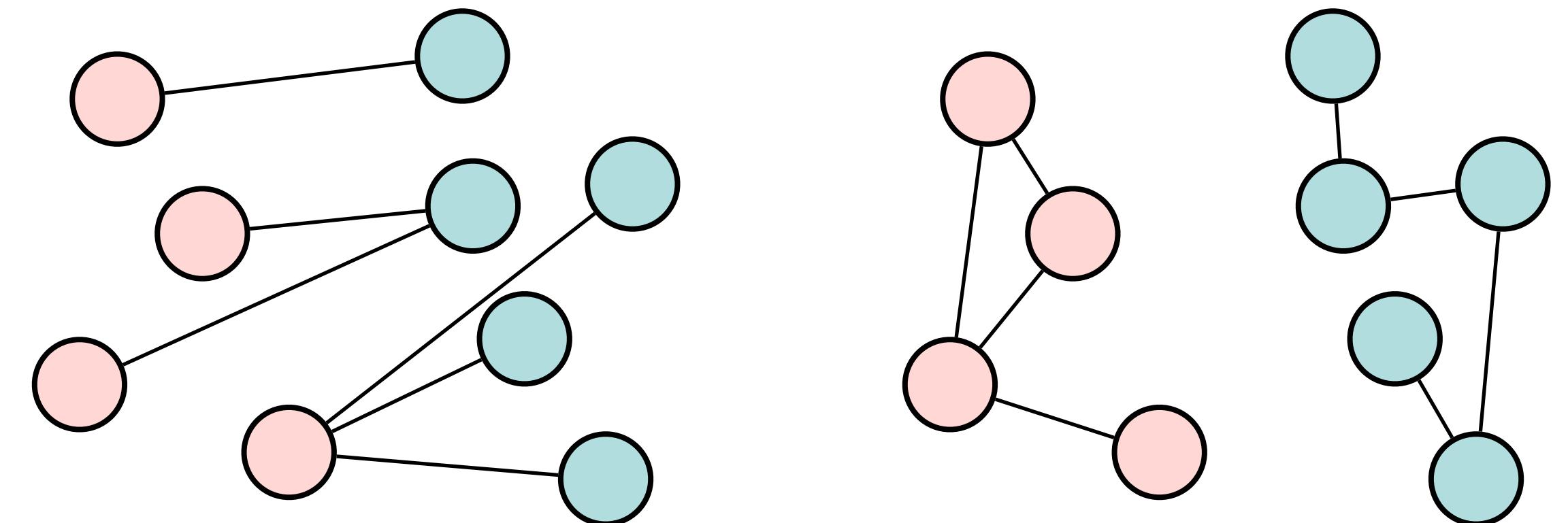


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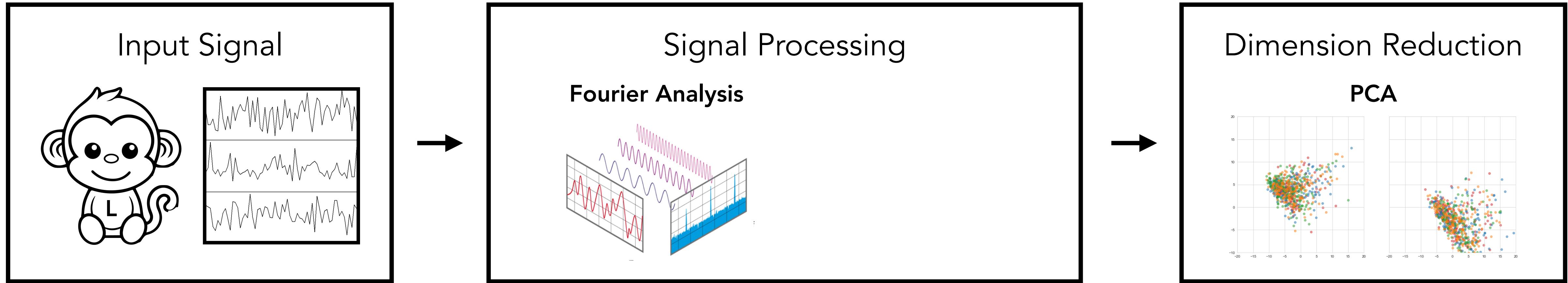


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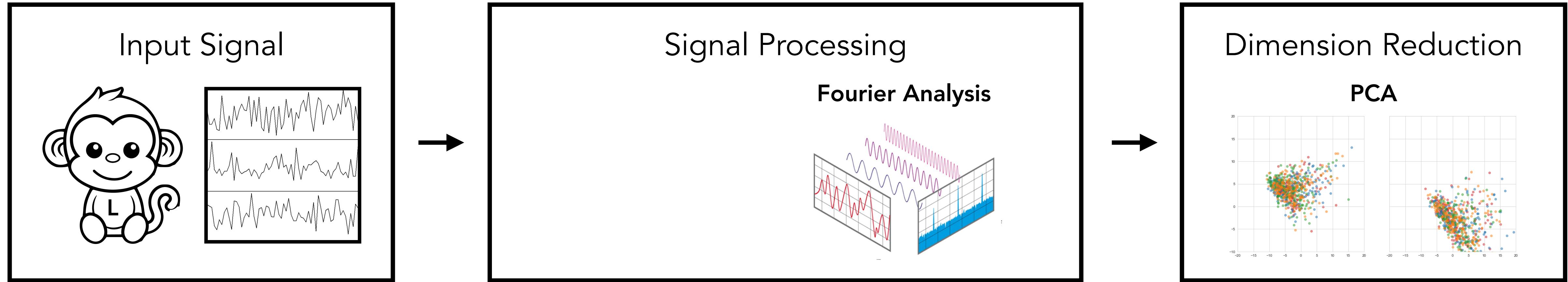
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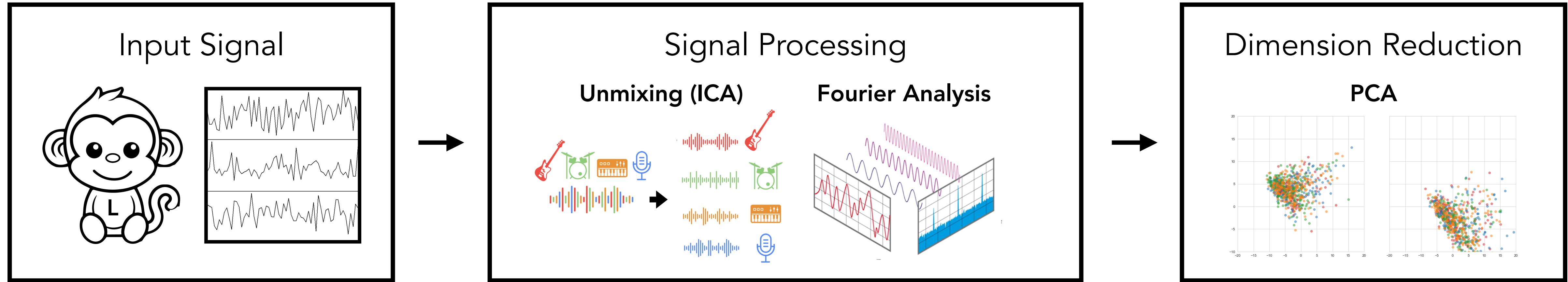
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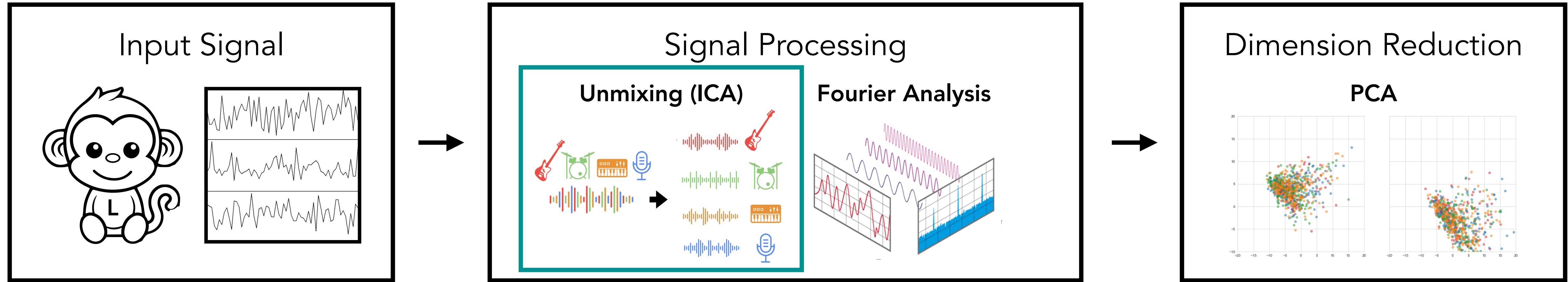
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Independent component analysis (**ICA**) separates the signals into **independent source** signals that have no correlation structure but recover the original signal when combined.

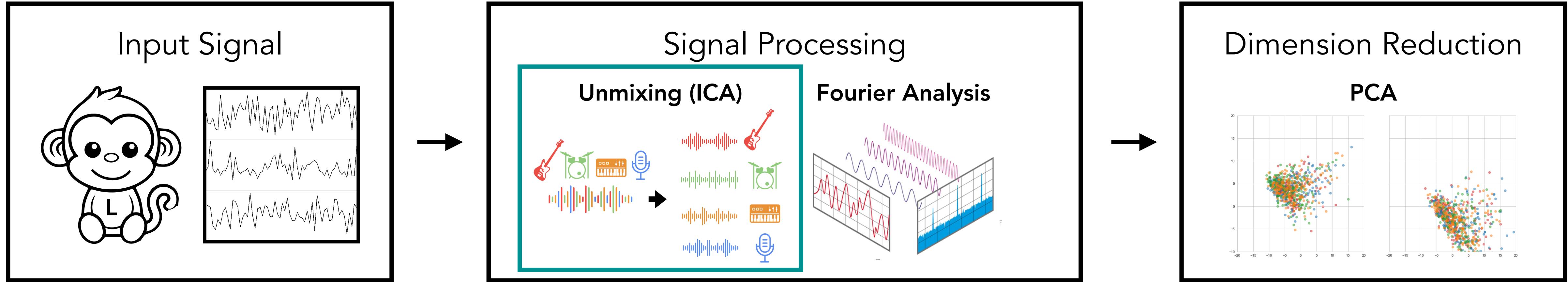
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Observed Signal Mixing Matrix Source Signal

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Unmixing Matrix

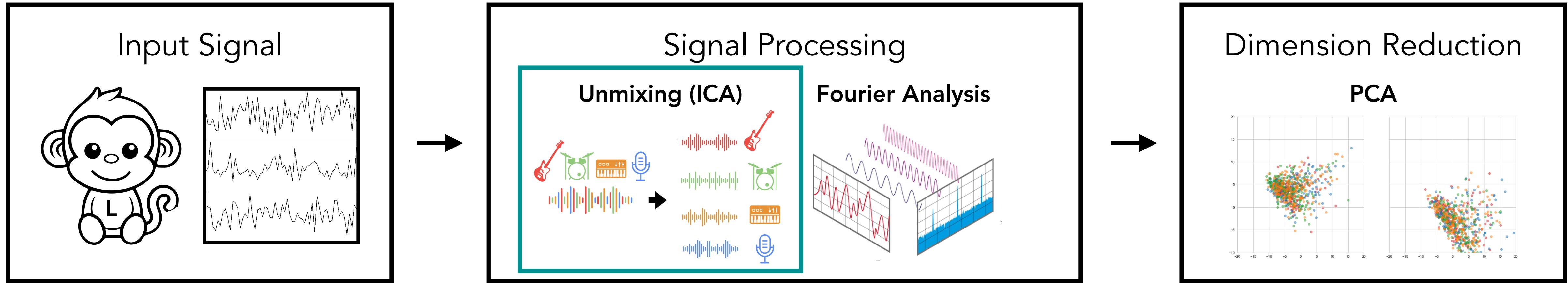
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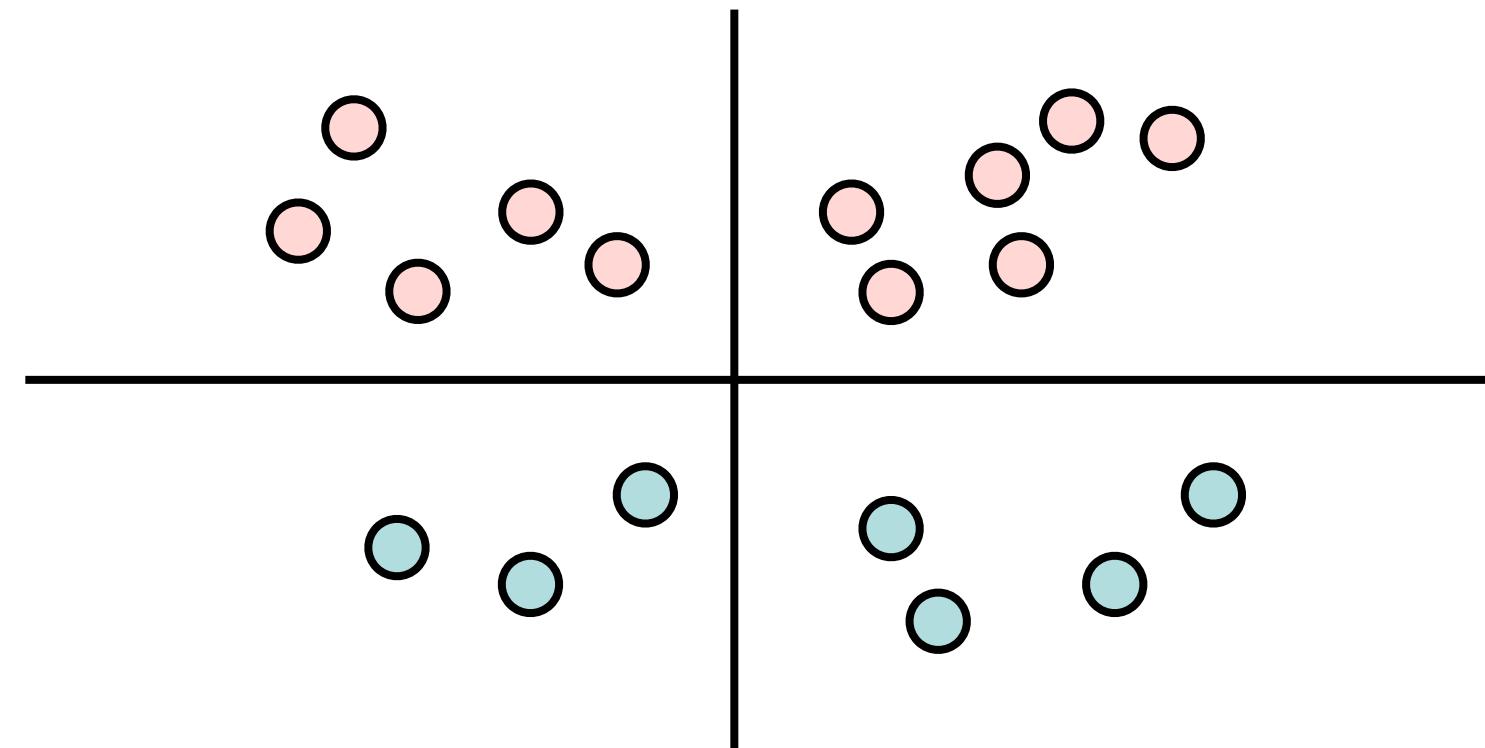
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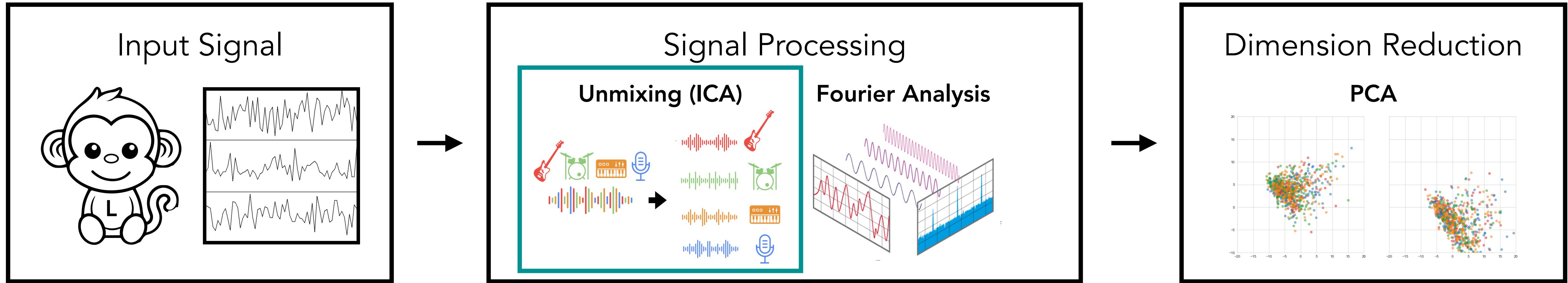


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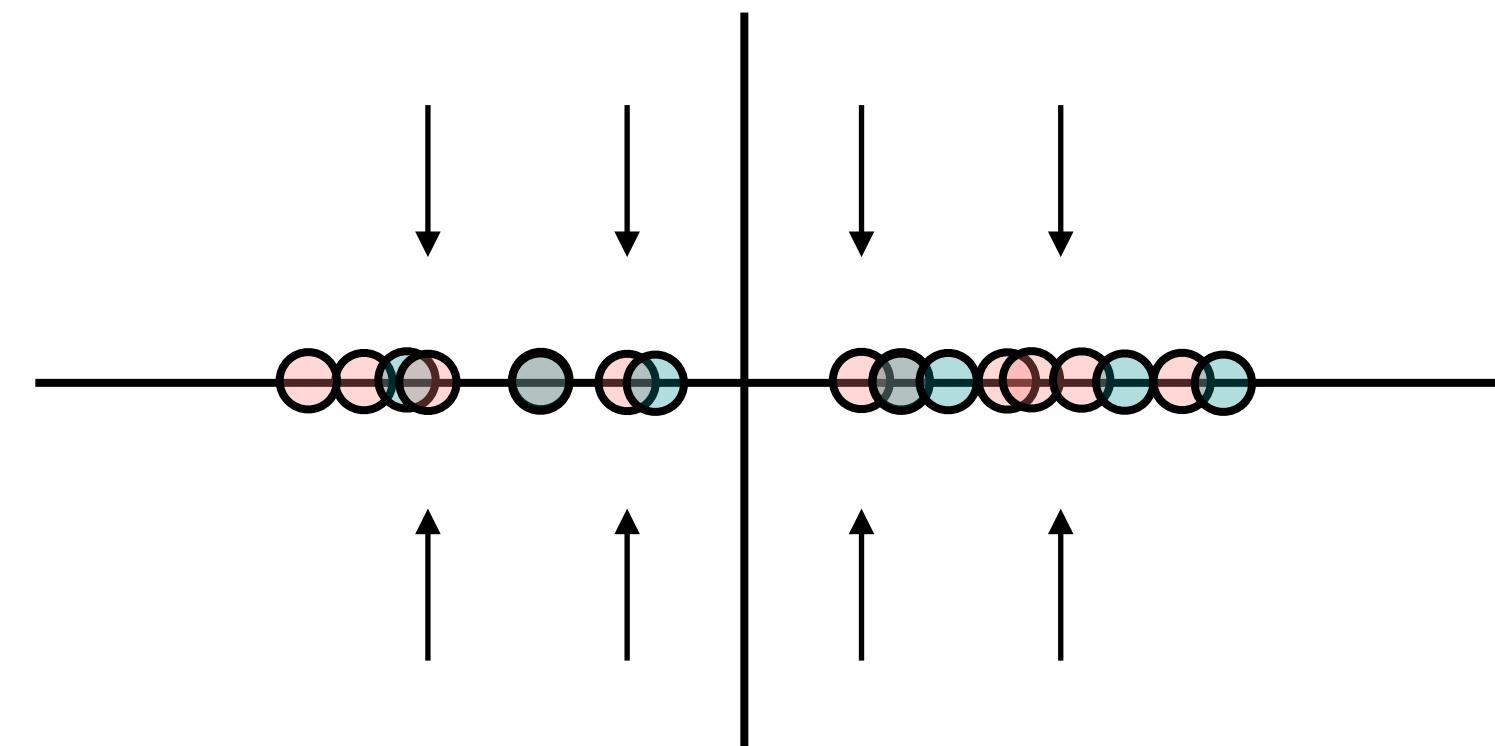


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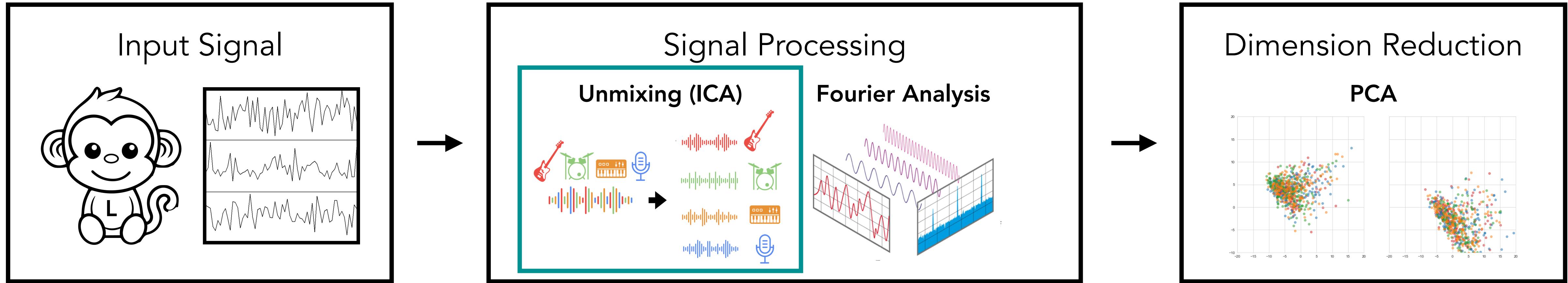
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Projection onto the first principal component destroys task information.

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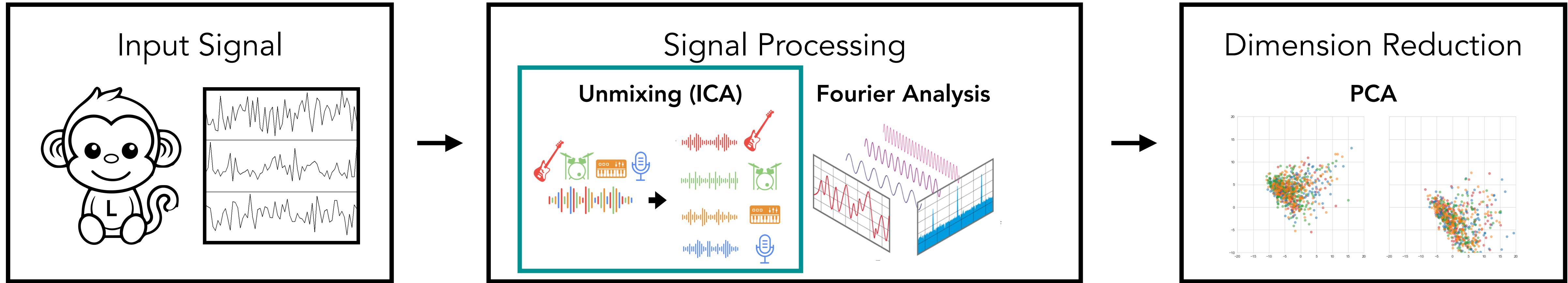


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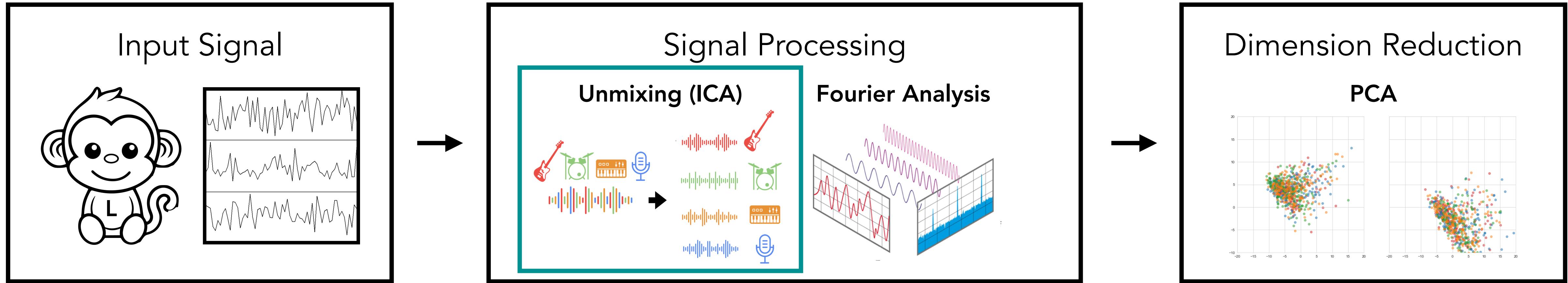
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Prediction loss term enforces
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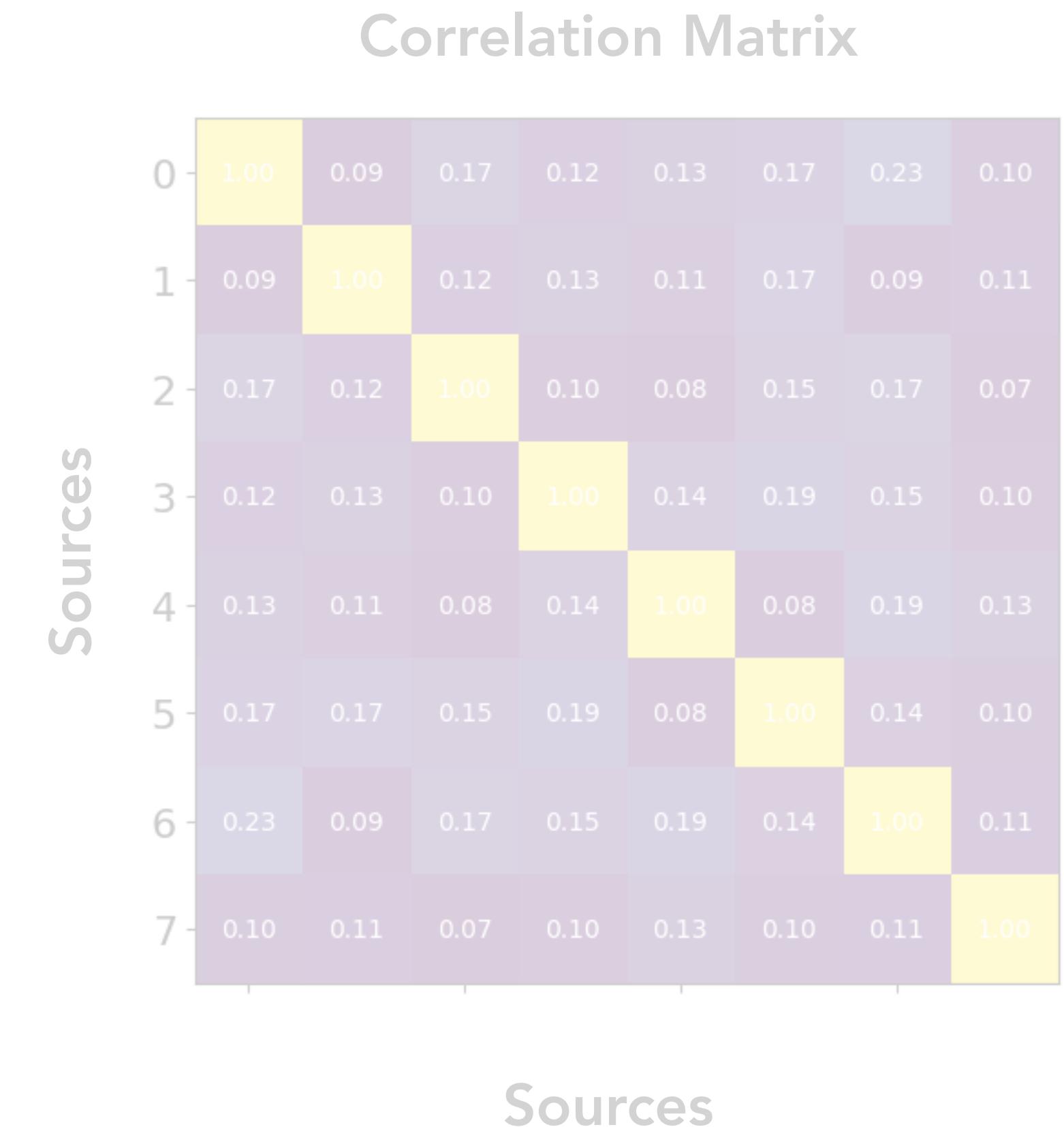
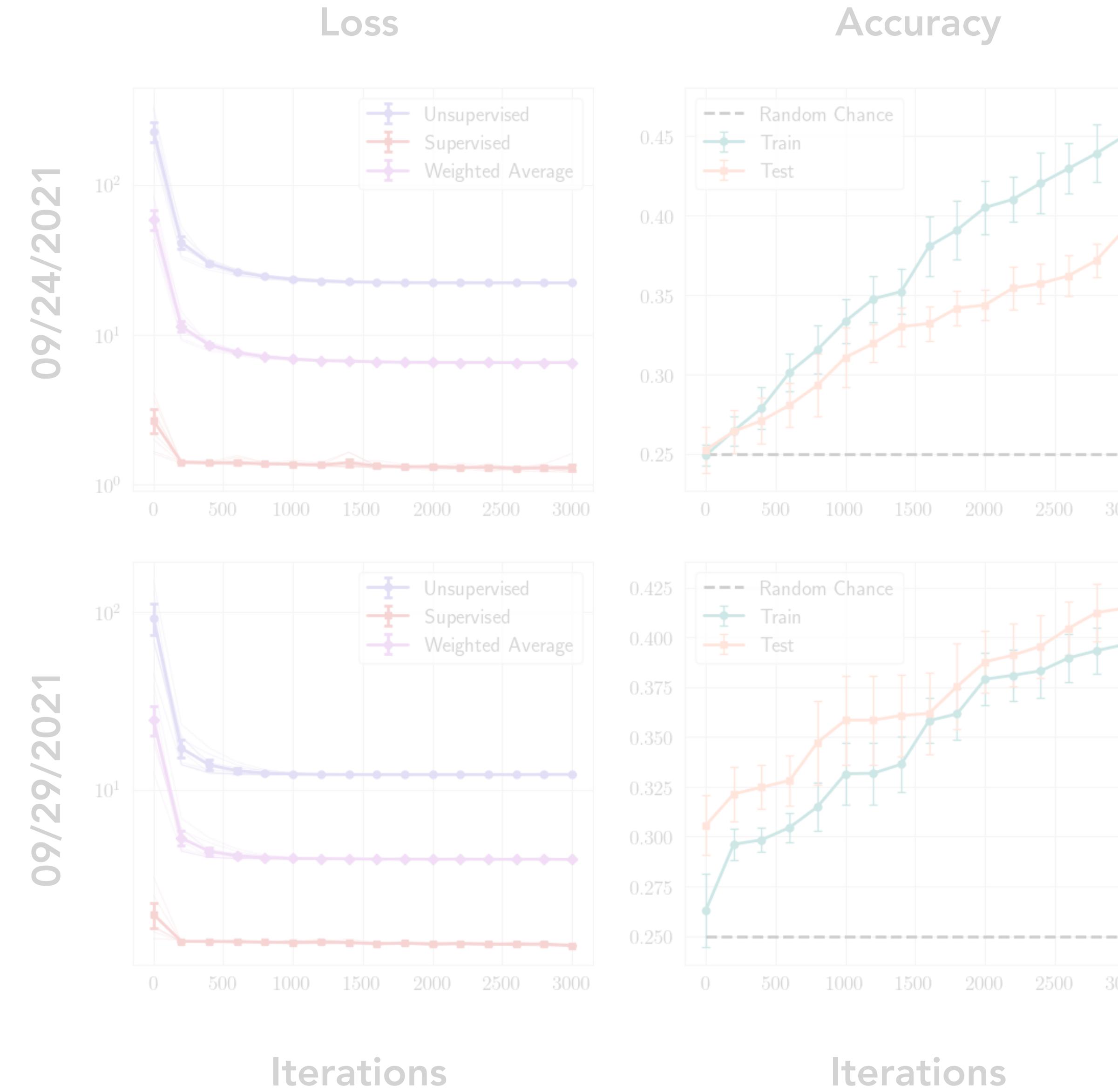
$$\ell(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}_i, y_i; \theta) = (f_\theta(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}_i) - y_i)^2$$

We use a simultaneous optimization scheme for the unmixing matrix and predictor parameter θ .

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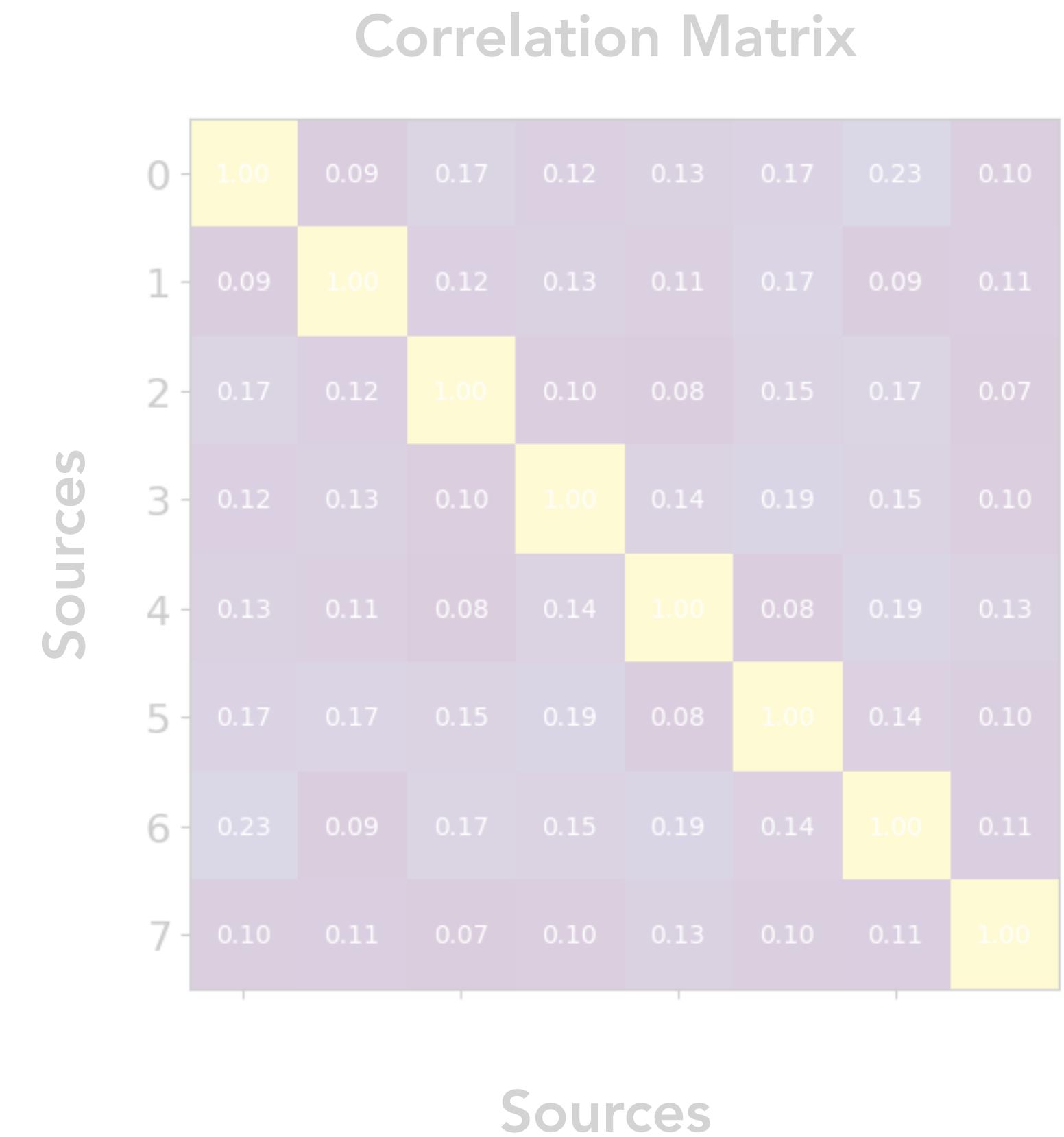
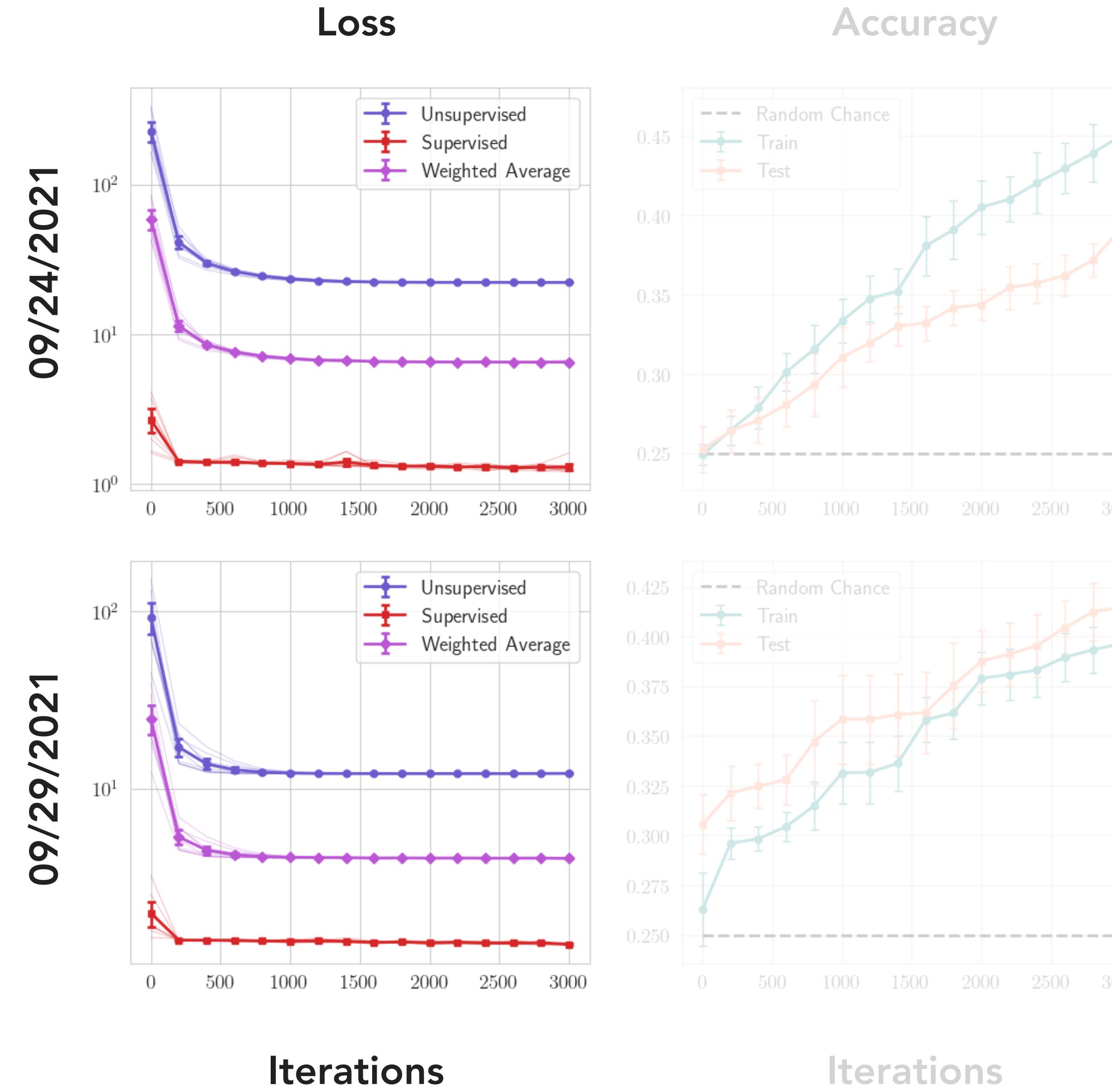
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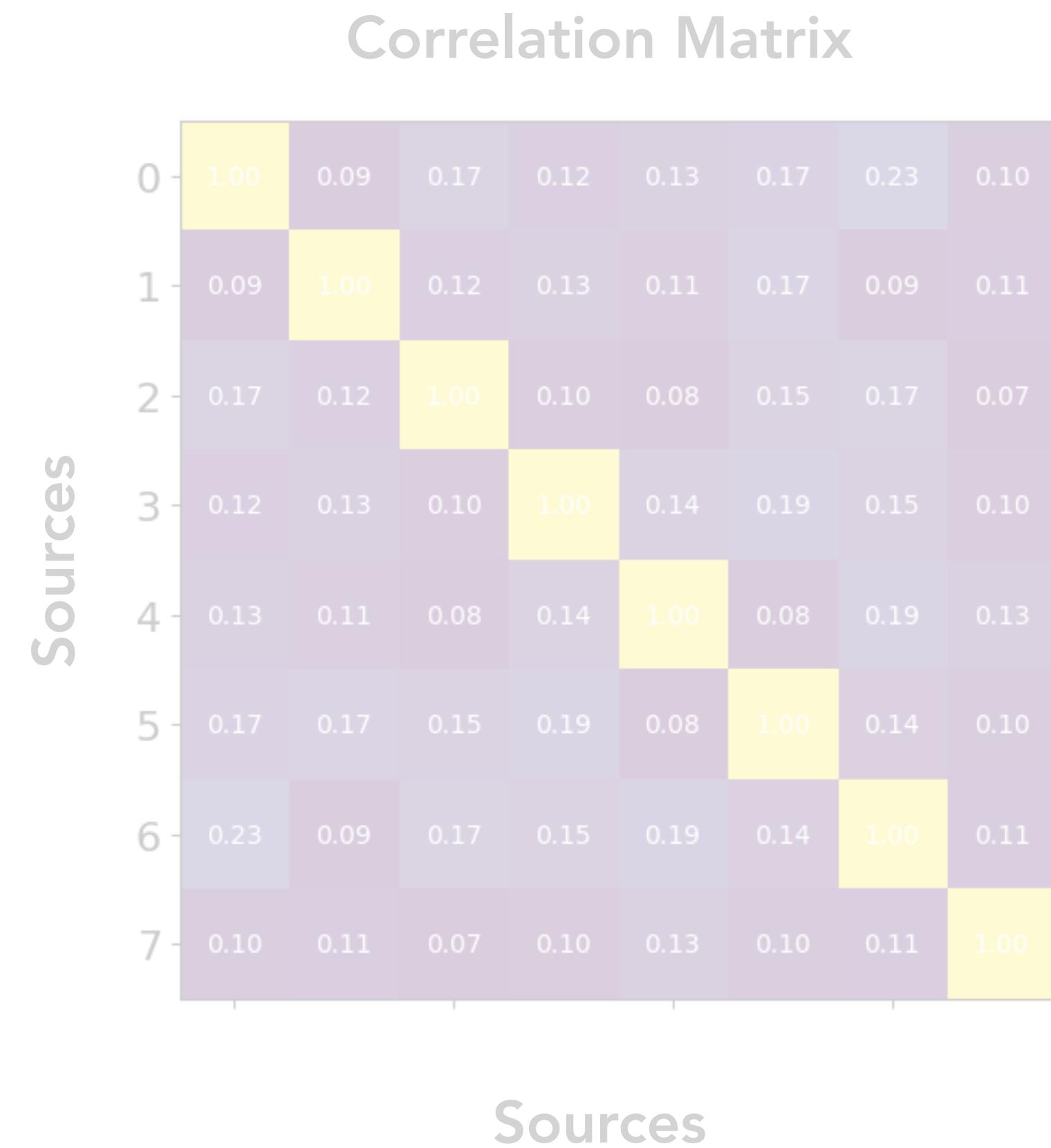
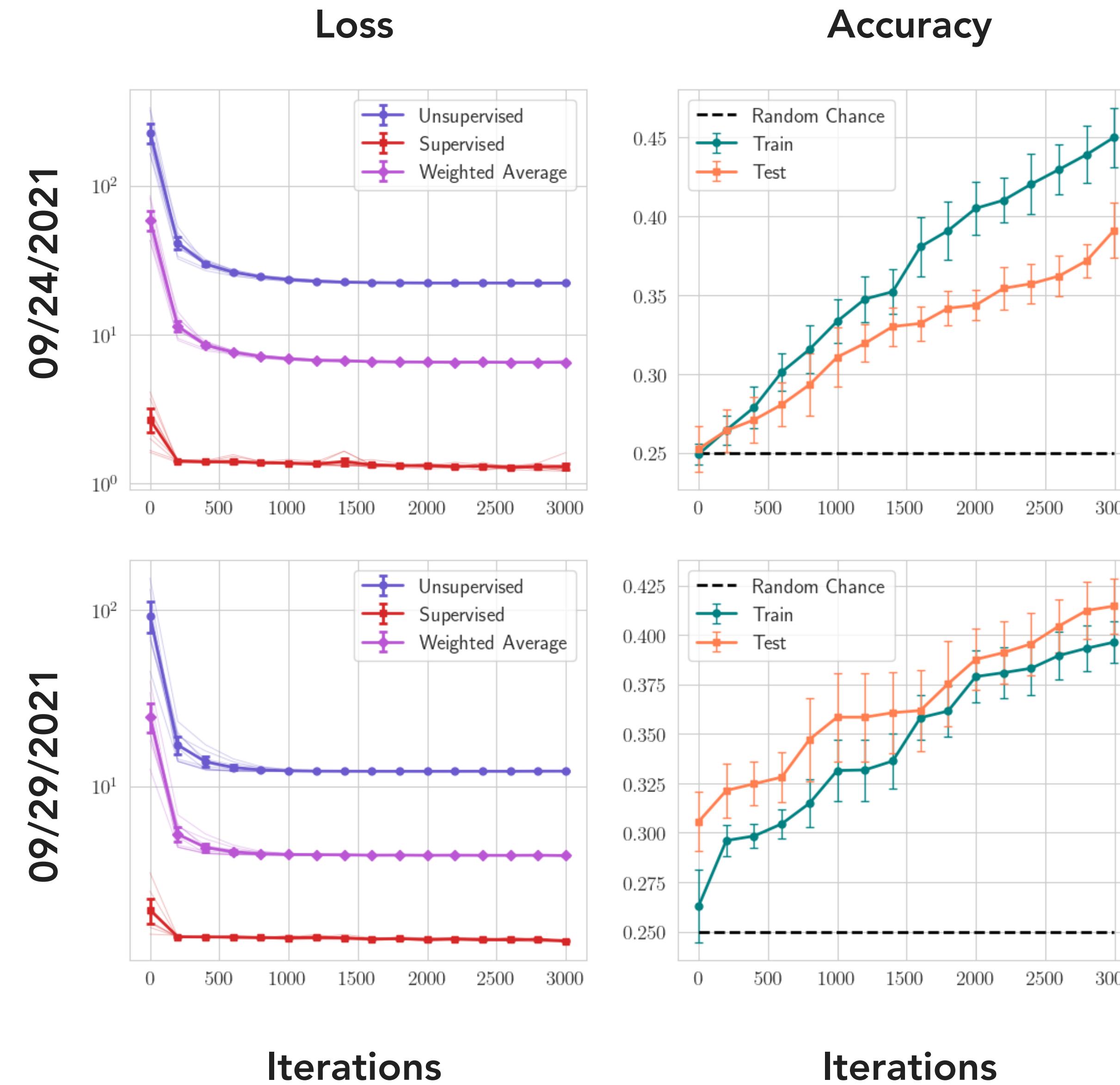
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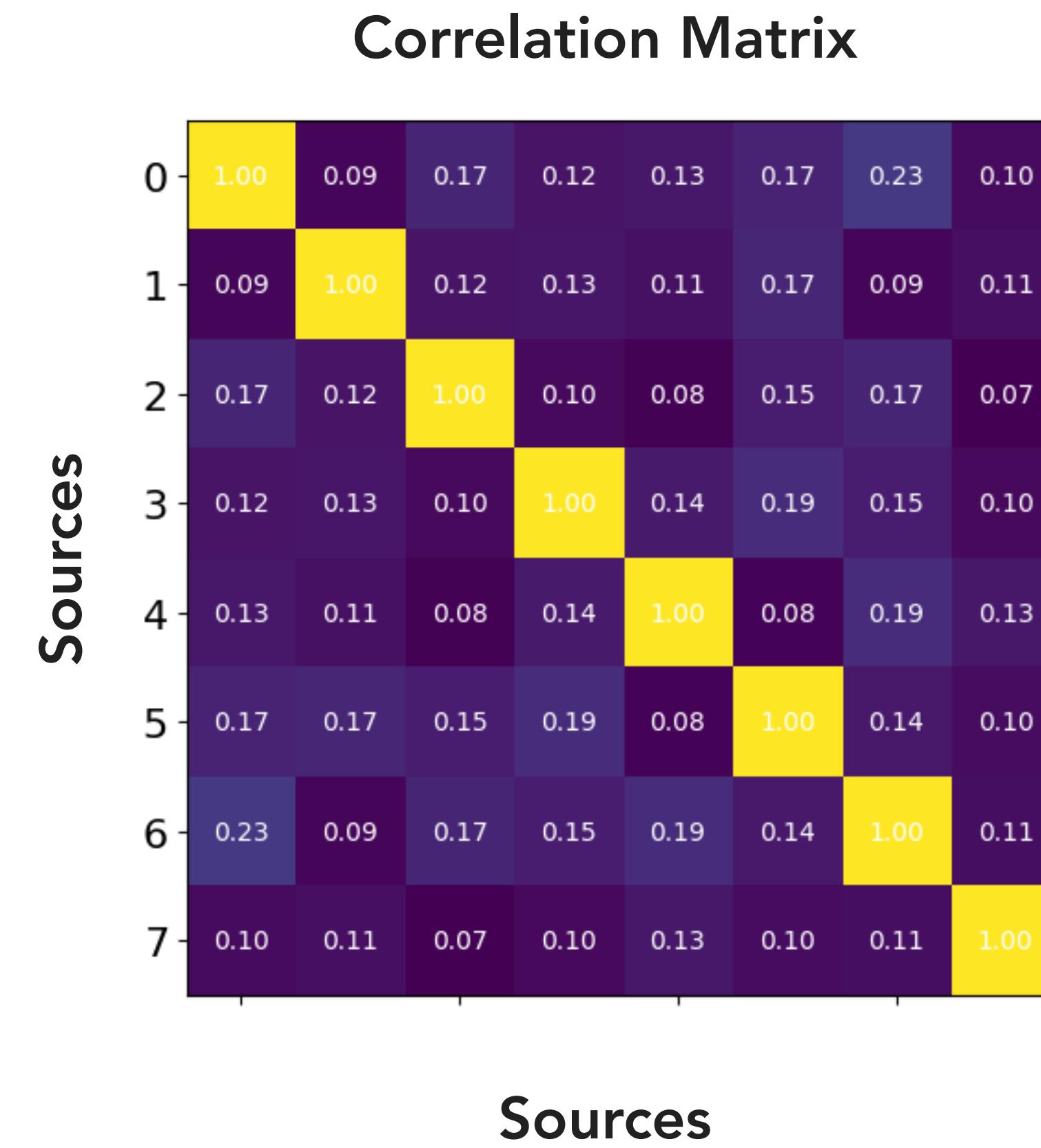
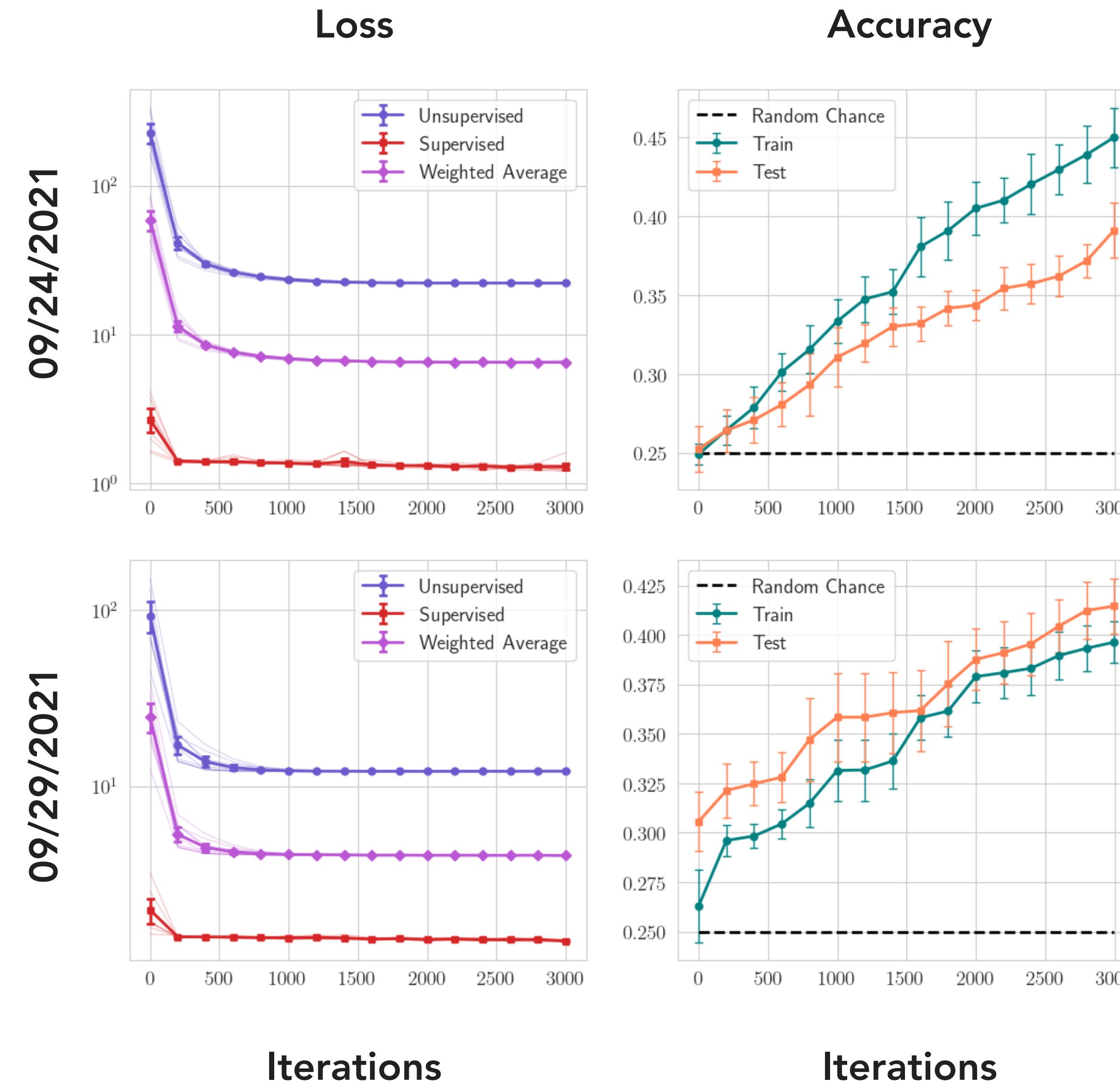
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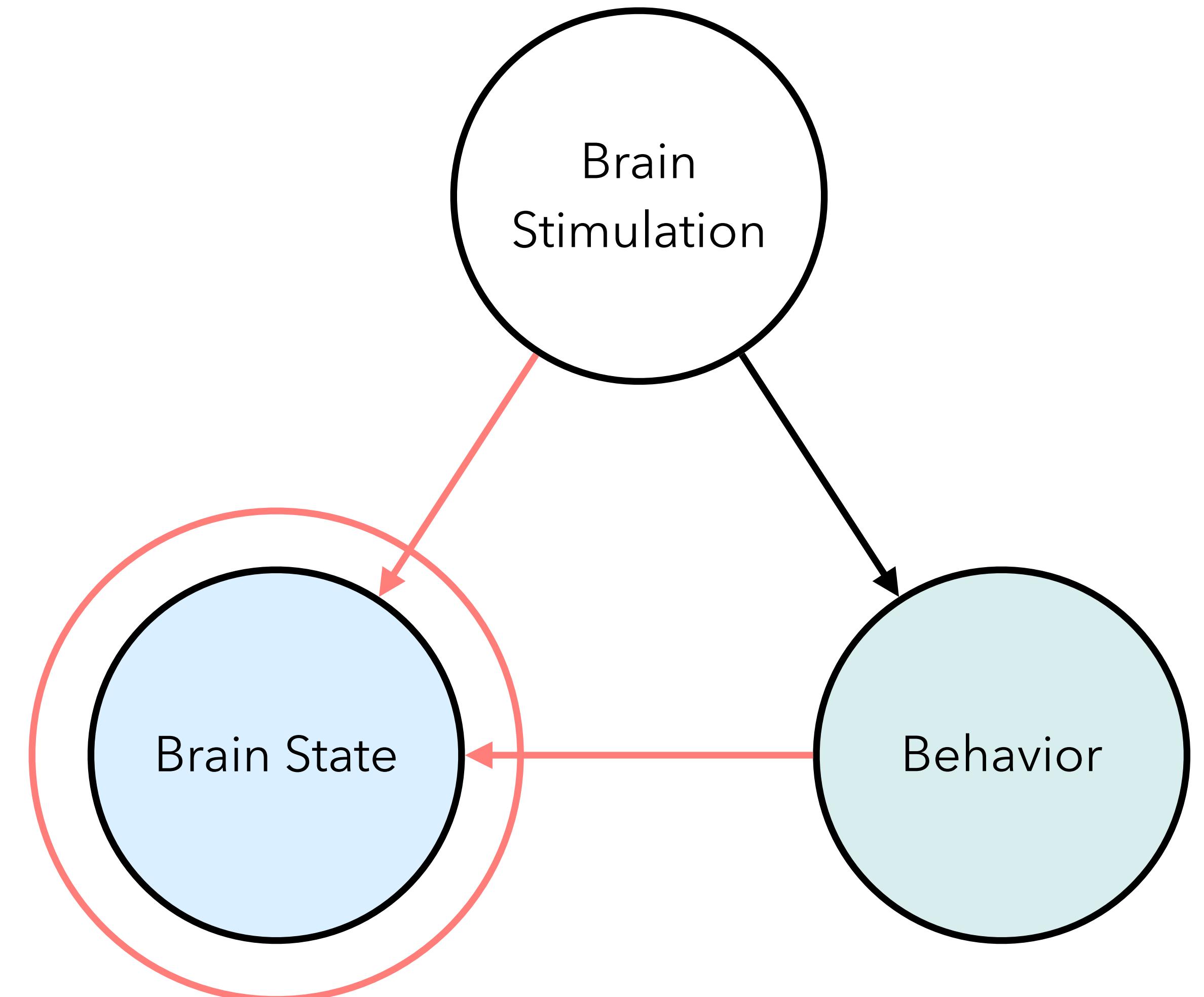
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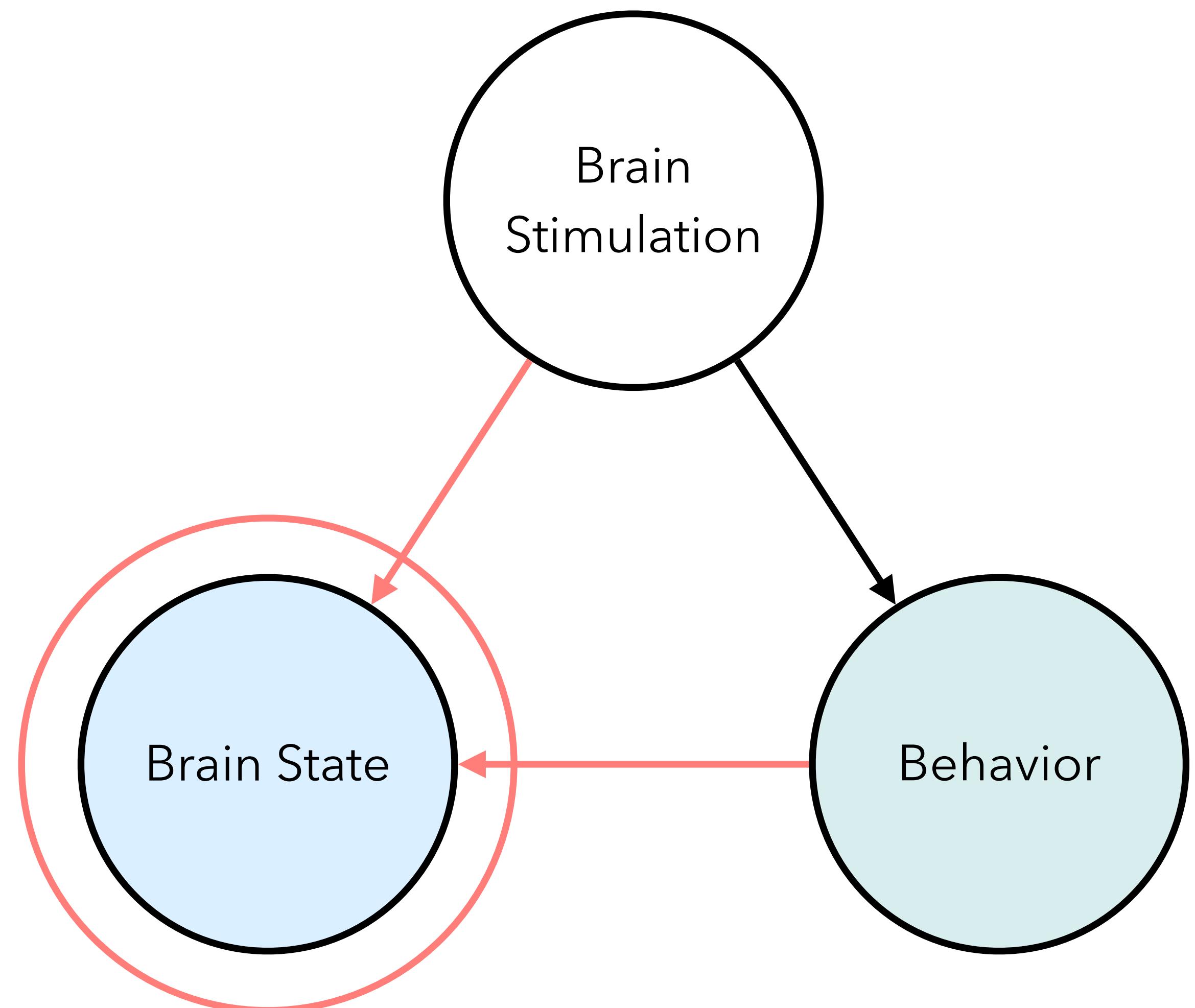
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Ongoing Work:

- 1) Analysis of downstream feature representations and interpreting the unmixing matrix \mathbf{W} .
- 2) Using supervision to unmix **ill-conditioned** matrices.
- 3) Incorporating other applications such as audio data.



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III-conditioned = inversion is numerically unstable.

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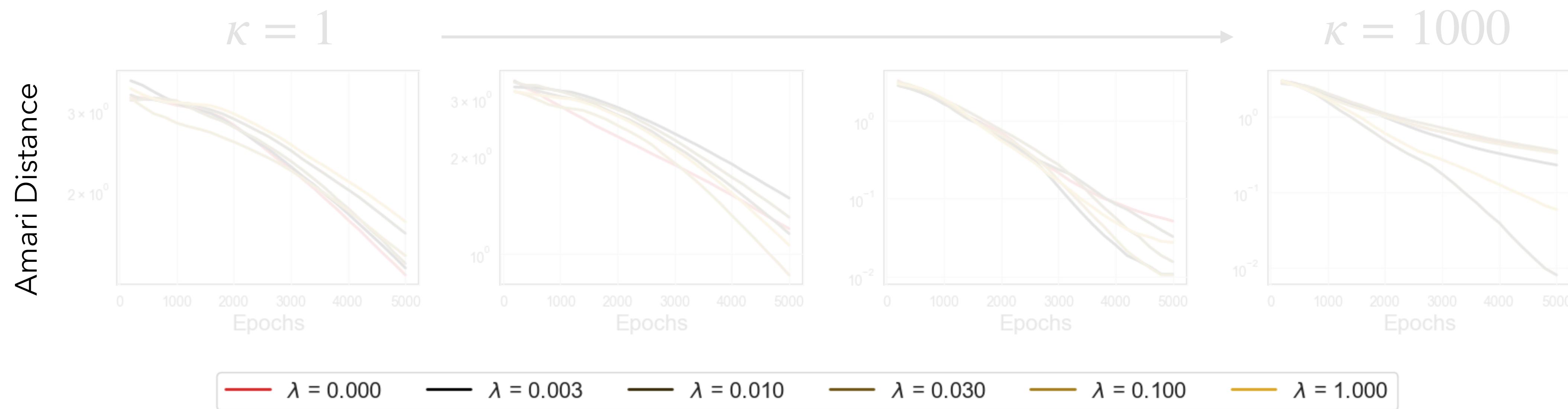
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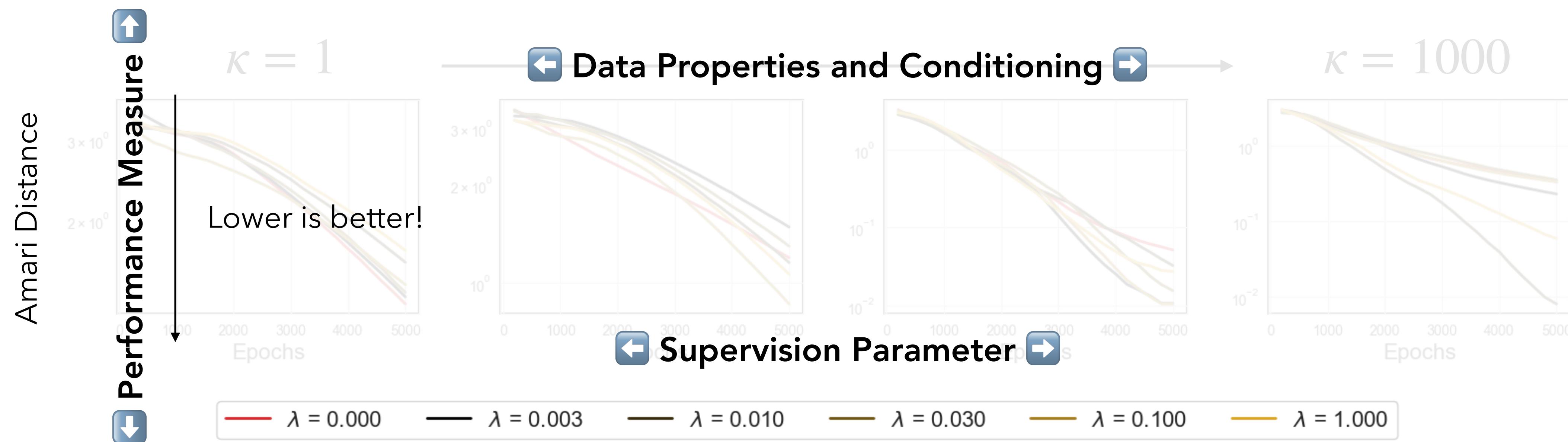
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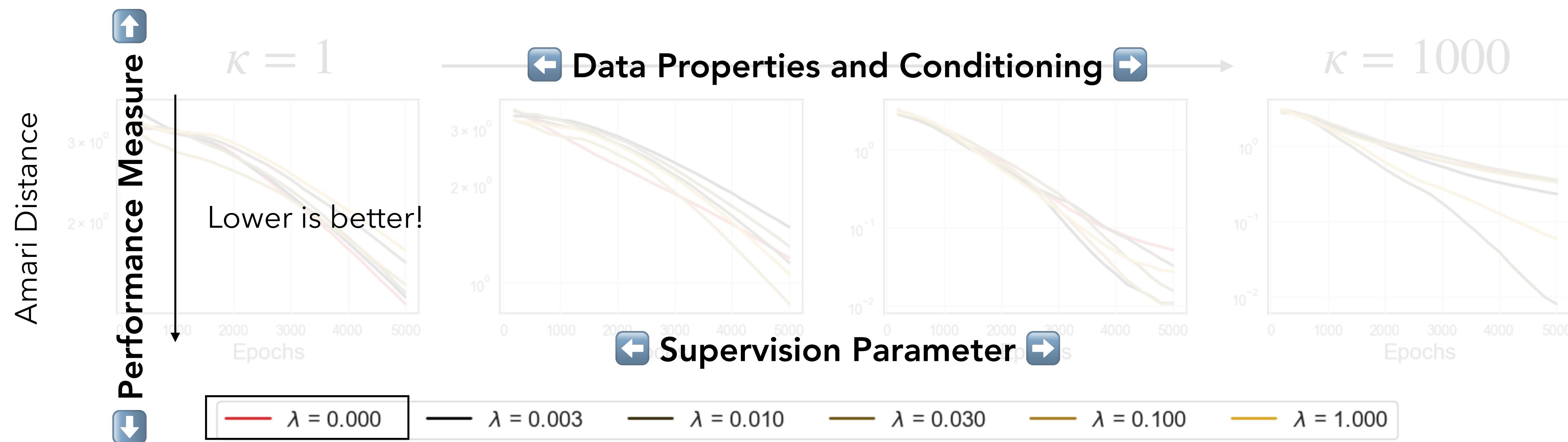
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