

## Typical & Atypical Cognitive Development

Spring 2019

### Unit 3 Reflection

- If the Executive Function (EF) of Updating is strongly related to Working Memory (WM), then what might the components of the brain network sub-serving this EF?
- Try to explain in biopsychological terms the mechanisms that might lead to the reciprocal relations between a repeated engagement in reading activities and an improved Updating-function.
  - Try to integrate into your explanation the learning rule of Hebb and the phenomenon of interactive specialization
- One potential implication for the design of a cognitive training program could be that it should take into account the reciprocal relations between EF and Reading Comprehension (RC). Referring to the Structural Equation Model on slides 18-23, what should be the focus of the EF-training component for 1<sup>st</sup> graders? What should be the focus of the RC training program for the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders?

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