

Week 7 – part 7: Helping Humans



Neuronal Dynamics: Computational Neuroscience of Single Neurons

Week 7 – Optimizing Neuron Models For Coding and Decoding

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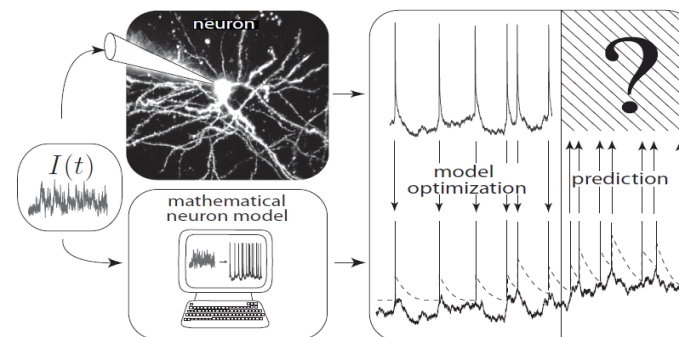
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Neuronal Dynamics – Review: Models and Data

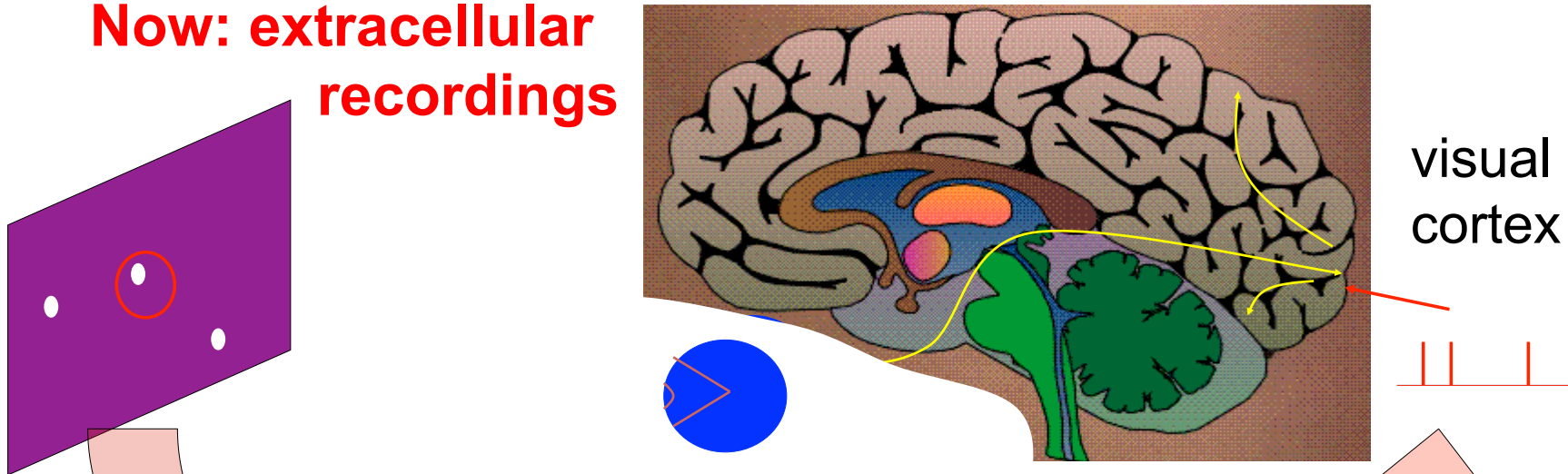


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BUT so far limited to in vitro

Neuronal Dynamics – 7.7 Systems neuroscience, in vivo

Now: extracellular recordings



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Model of 'Encoding'

Neuronal Dynamics – 7.7 Estimation of receptive fields

Estimation of spatial (and temporal) receptive fields

$$u(t) = \sum k_k I_{K-k} + u_{rest}$$

LNP

firing intensity $\rho(t) = f(u(t) - \vartheta(t))$

$\vec{x}_t = (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_K)$

x_1	x_2	x_3					
		x_{19}					
			★				
							x_K

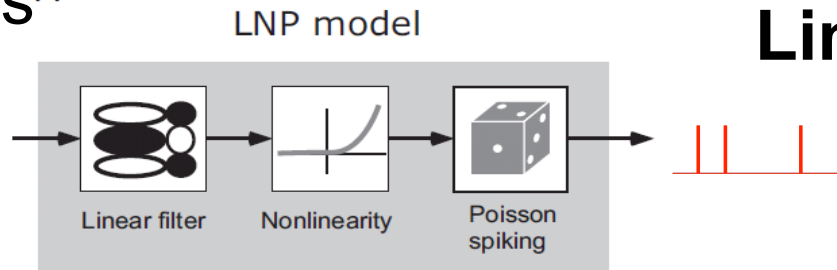
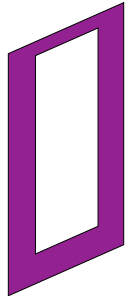
input \vec{x}

time	x_1	x_2	x_3	...	x_K
$t=1$	0	1	0	0	0
$t=2$	0	0	1	0	0
$t=3$	0	0	0	0	1
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$t=T$	0	0	0	0	1

$\int dt$

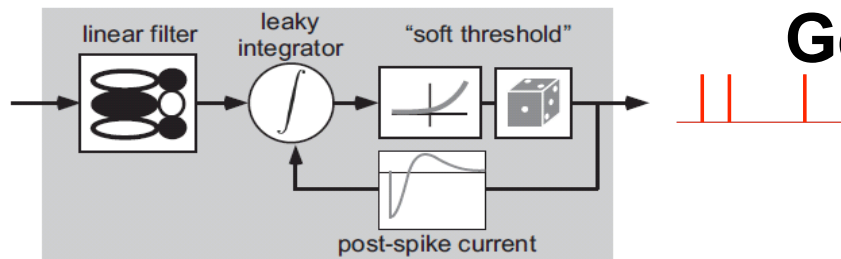
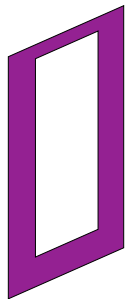
Neuronal Dynamics – 7.7 Estimation of Receptive Fields

visual stimulus^A



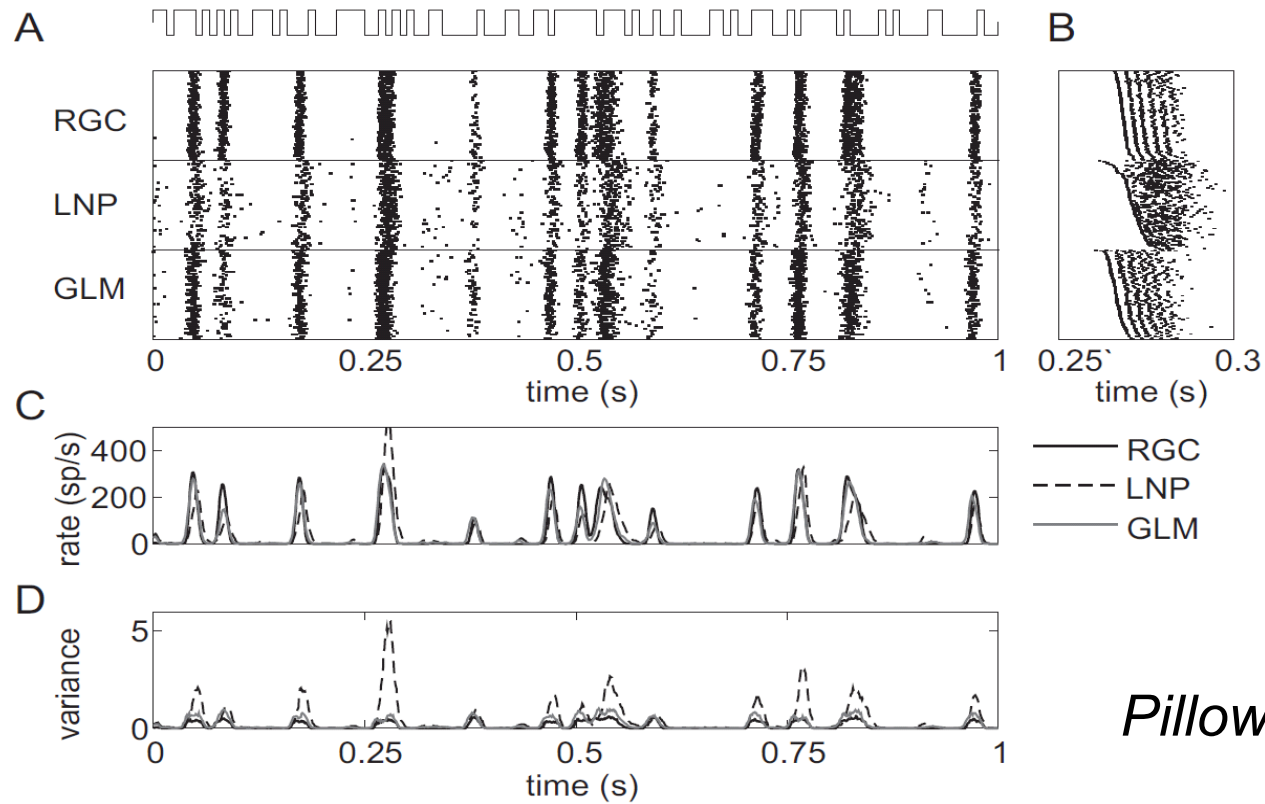
LNP =
Linear-Nonlinear-Poisson

B
Soft-Threshold IF model



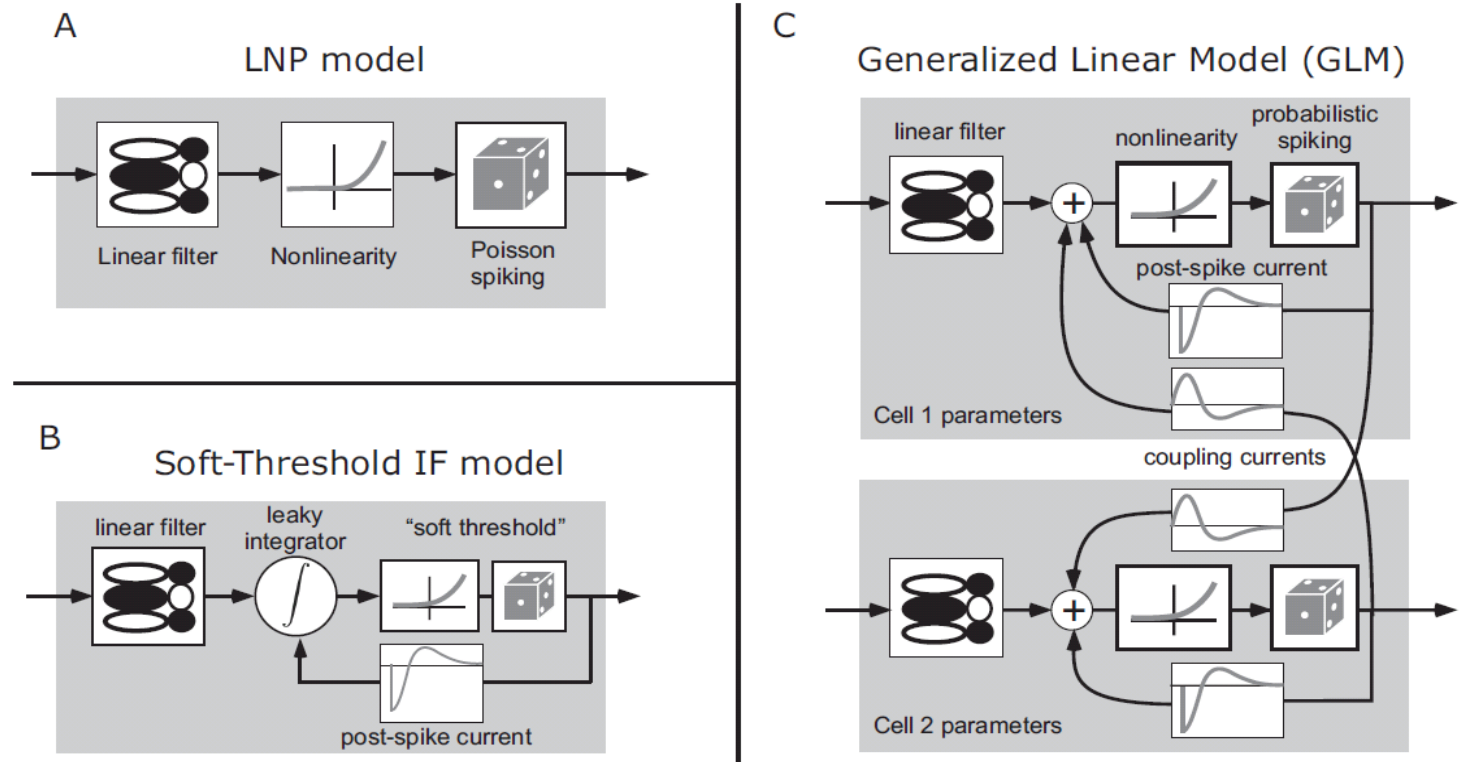
Special case of
GLM=
Generalized Linear Model

GLM for prediction of retinal ganglion ON cell activity

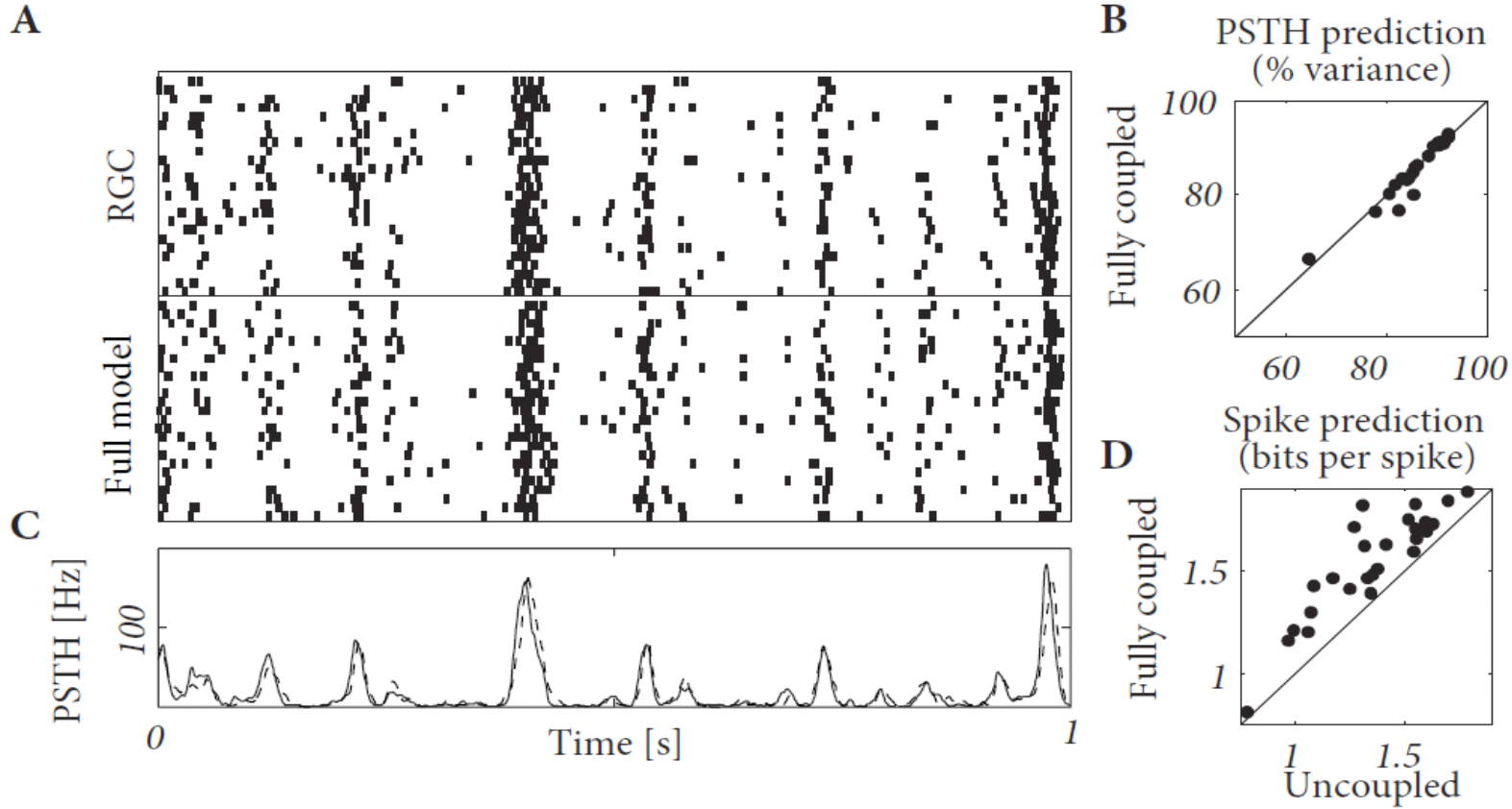


Pillow et al. 2008

Neuronal Dynamics – 7.7 GLM with lateral coupling

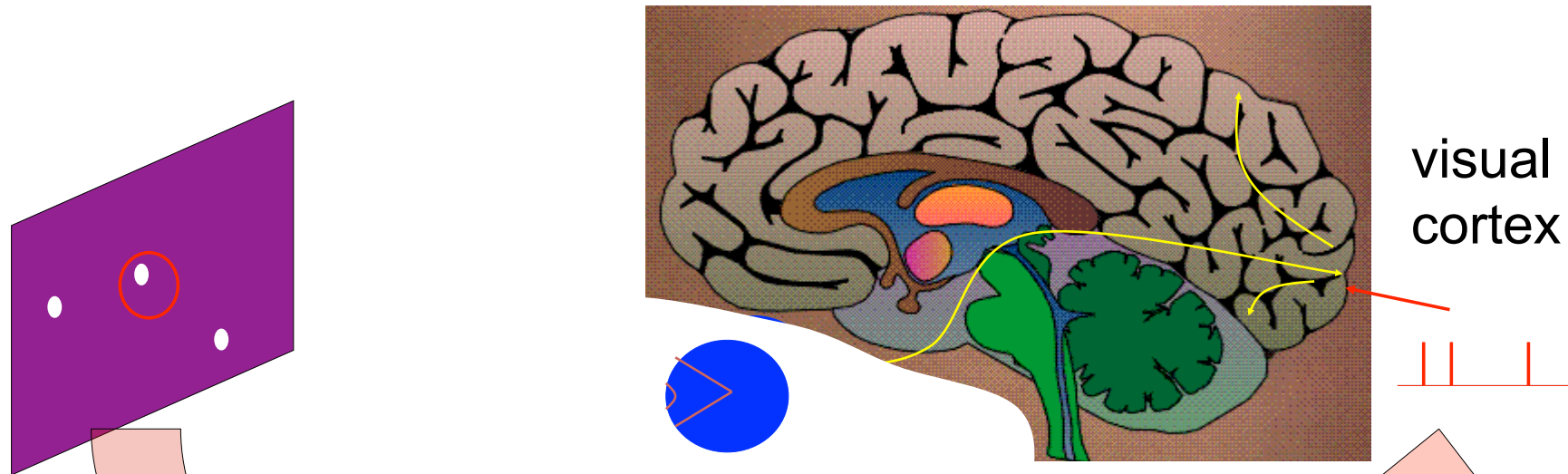


One cell in a Network of Ganglion cells



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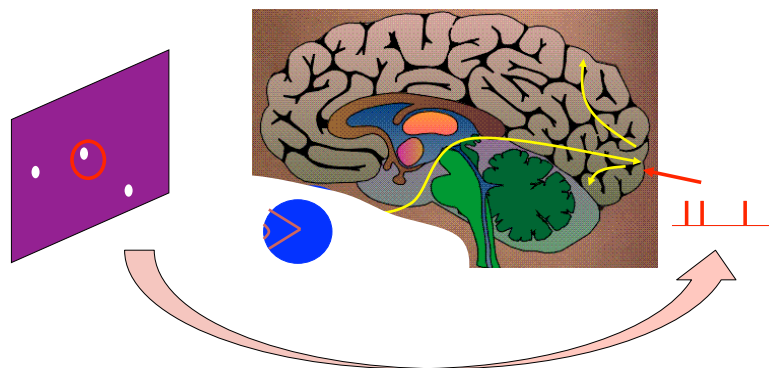
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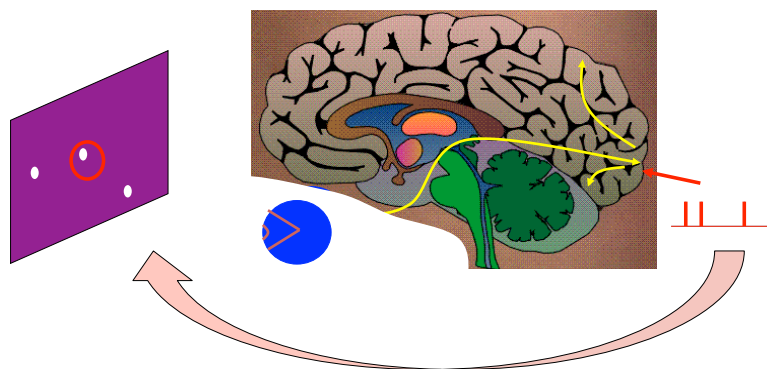
Neuronal Dynamics – 7.7 ENCODING and Decoding



Model of ‘Encoding’

Generalized Linear Model (GLM)

- flexible model
- systematic optimization of parameters



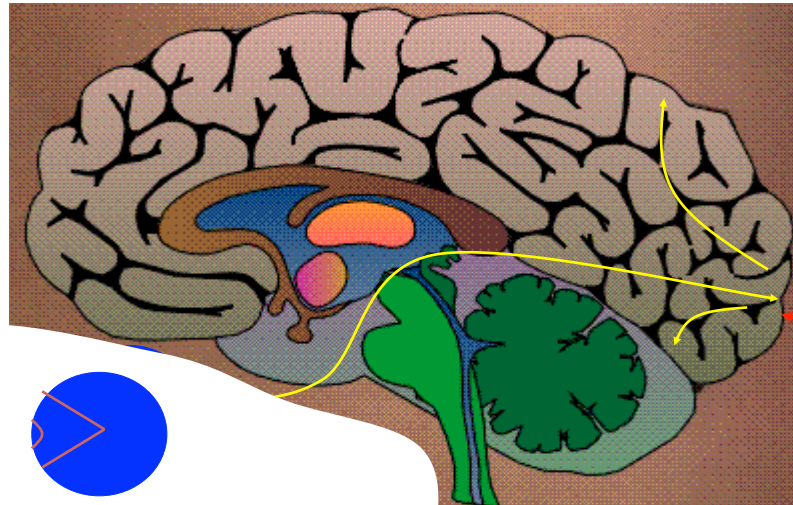
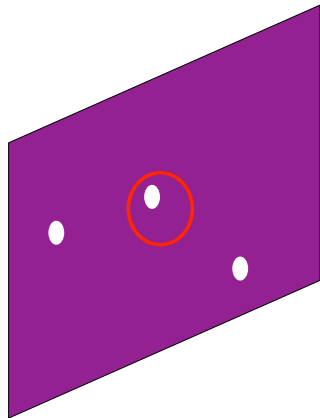
Model of ‘Decoding’

The same GLM works!

- flexible model
- systematic optimization of parameters

Neuronal Dynamics – 7.7 Model of DECODING

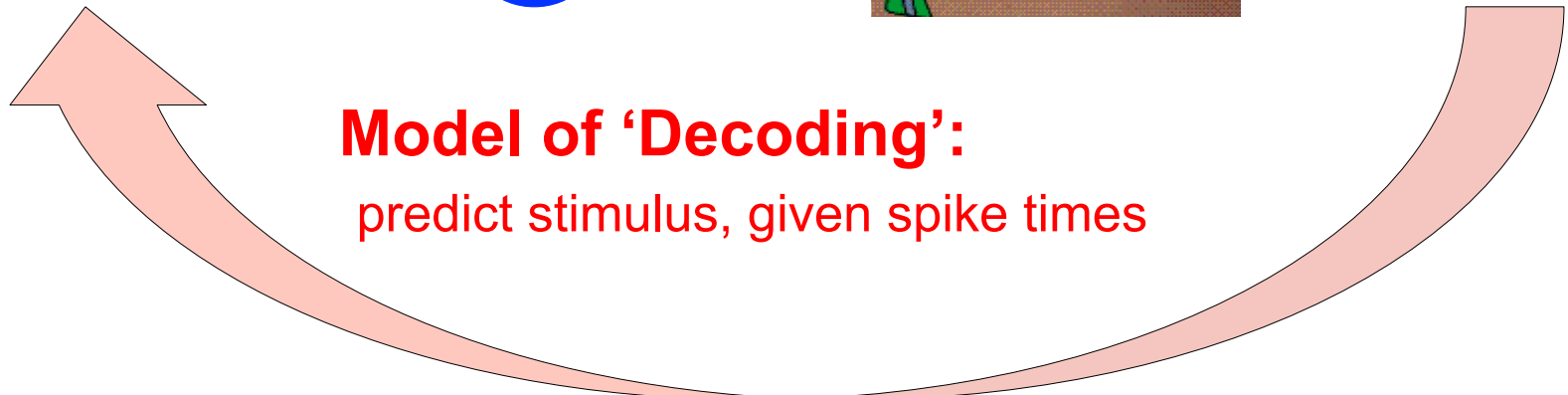
Predict stimulus!



visual cortex

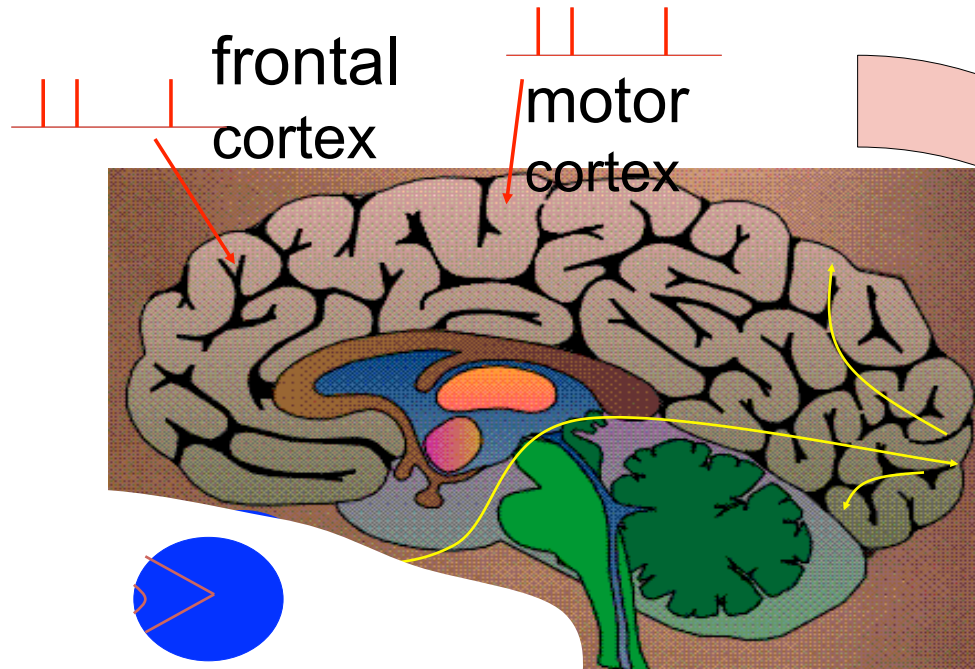


Model of 'Decoding':
predict stimulus, given spike times



Neuronal Dynamics – 7.7 Helping Humans

Application: Neuroprosthetics



Many groups world wide work on this problem!

Model of 'Decoding'

Predict intended arm movement, given Spike Times

Neuronal Dynamics – 7.7 Basic neuroprosthetics

Application: Neuroprosthetics

Decode the intended arm movement

Hand velocity

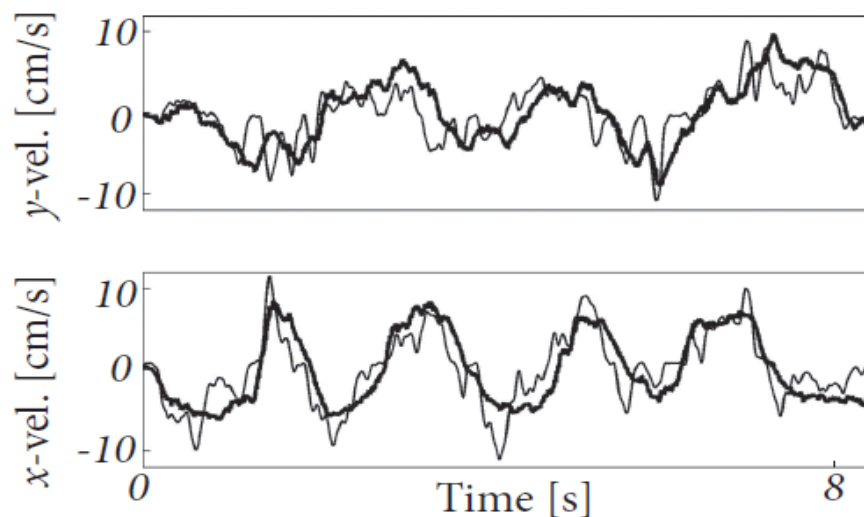


Fig. 11.12: Decoding hand velocity from spiking activity in area MI of cortex. The real hand velocity (thin black line) is compared to the decoded velocity (thick black line) for the x - (top) and the y -components (bottom). Modified from Truccolo et al. (2005).

Neuronal Dynamics – 7.7 Why mathematical models?

Mathematical models
for neuroscience



help humans

The end

Neuronal Dynamics week 7 – Suggested Reading/selected references

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