

# Neural networks and population coding



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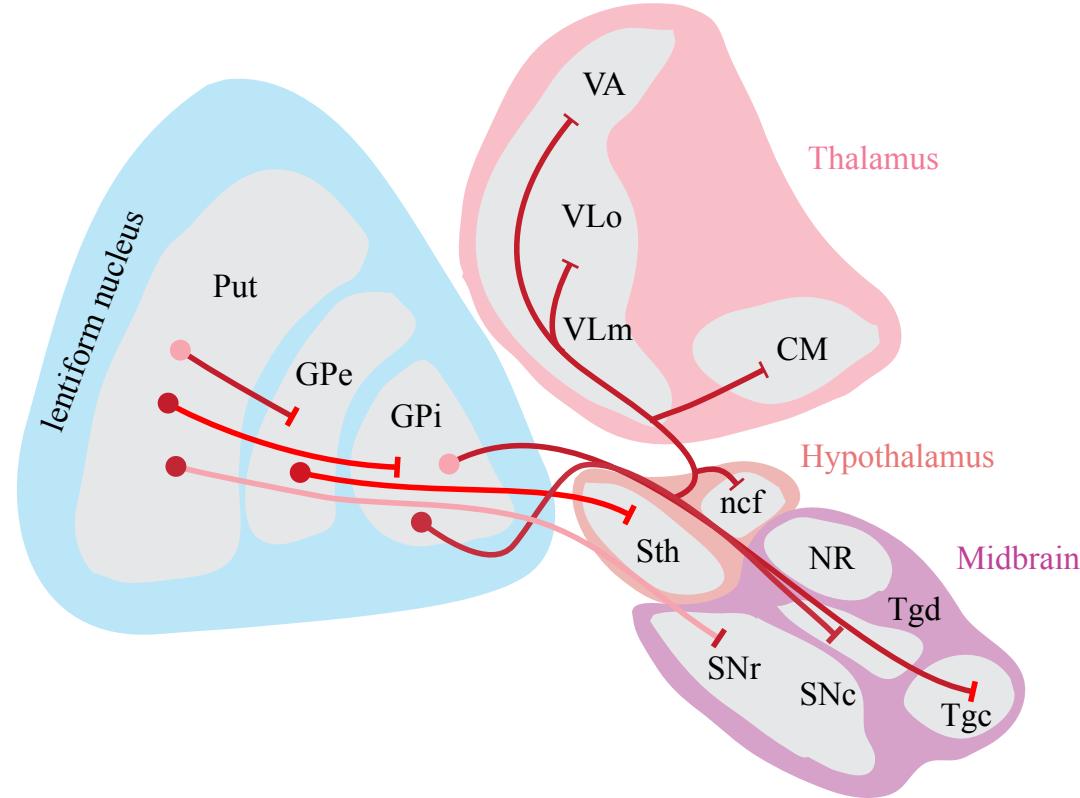
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# Topics

-  Networks and population coding
-  Methods for large-scale neuroscience

# Networks

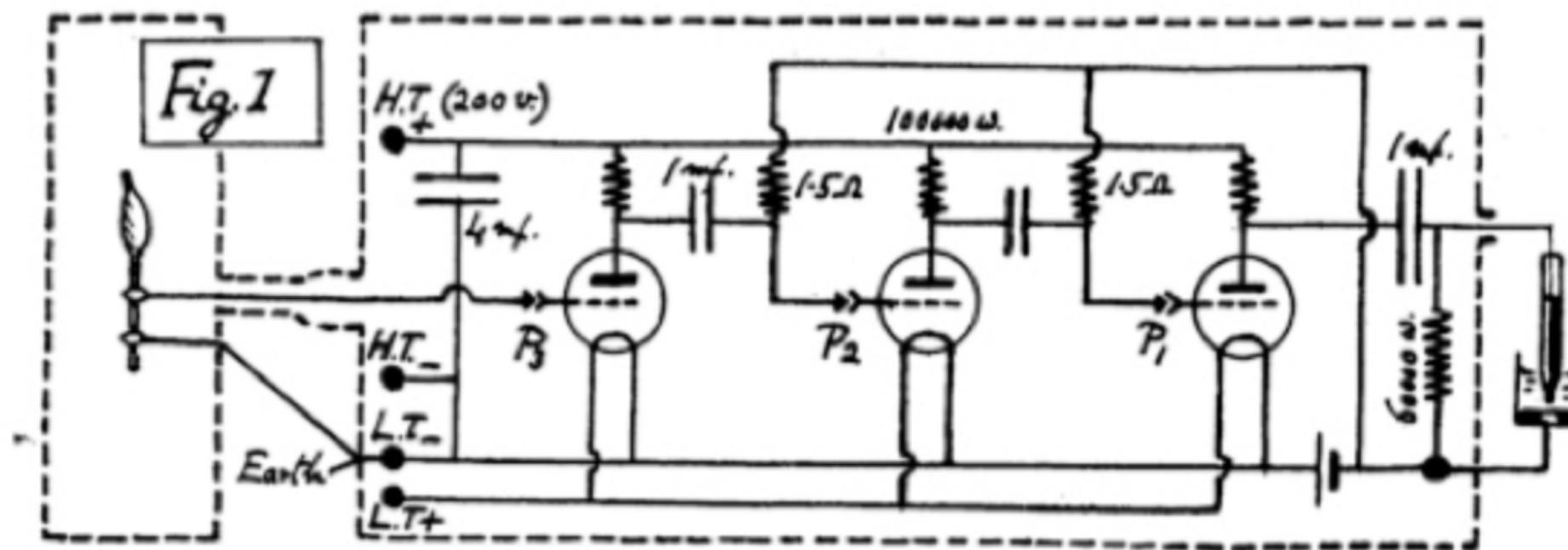


Nauta & Mehler (1966)



# Rate coding

Edgar Adrian and Yngve Zotterman.





## Rate coding

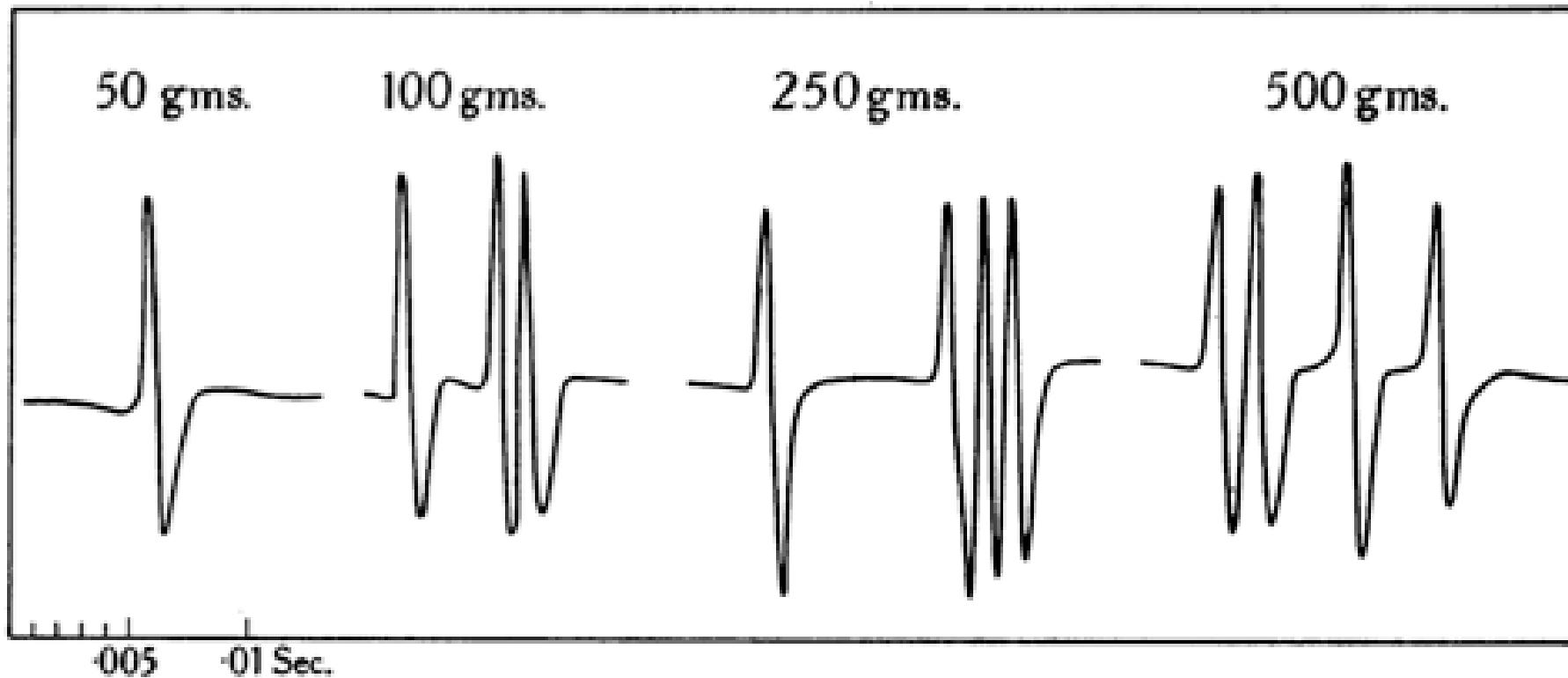
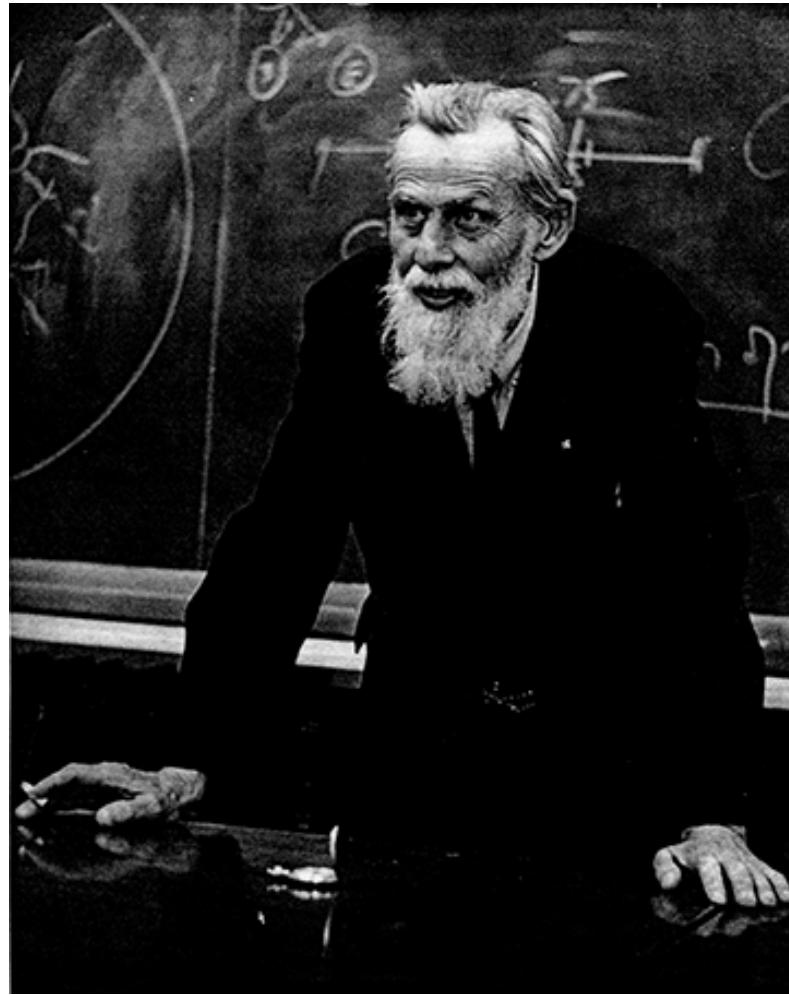
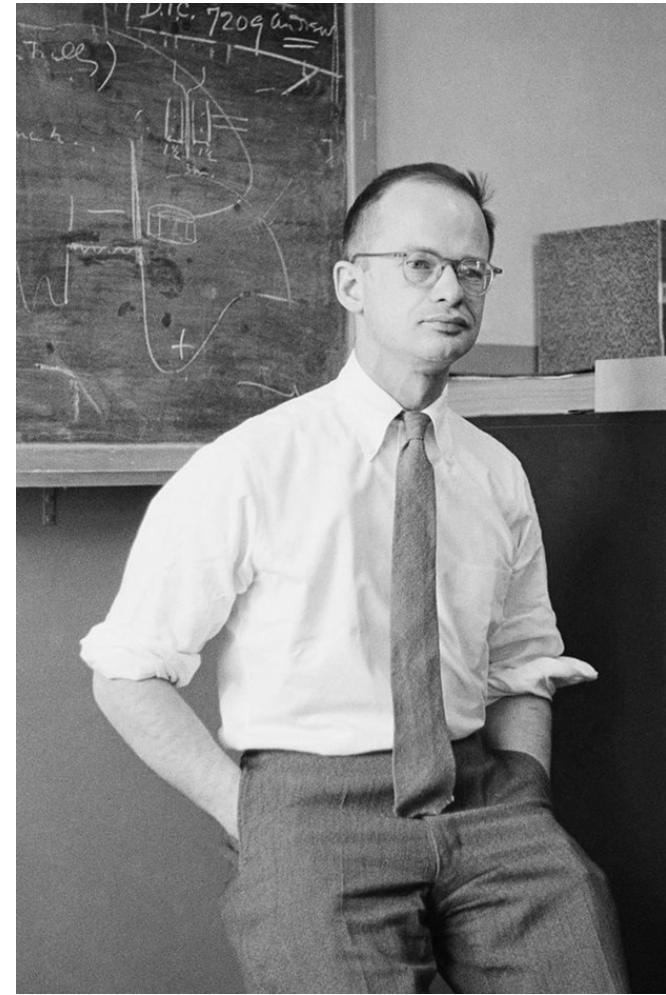


Fig. 5. Analysis of electrometer records, *Exp. 2*, showing that the size of individual impulses does not vary with the stimulus.

# A Logical Calculus of Ideas Immanent in Nervous Activity

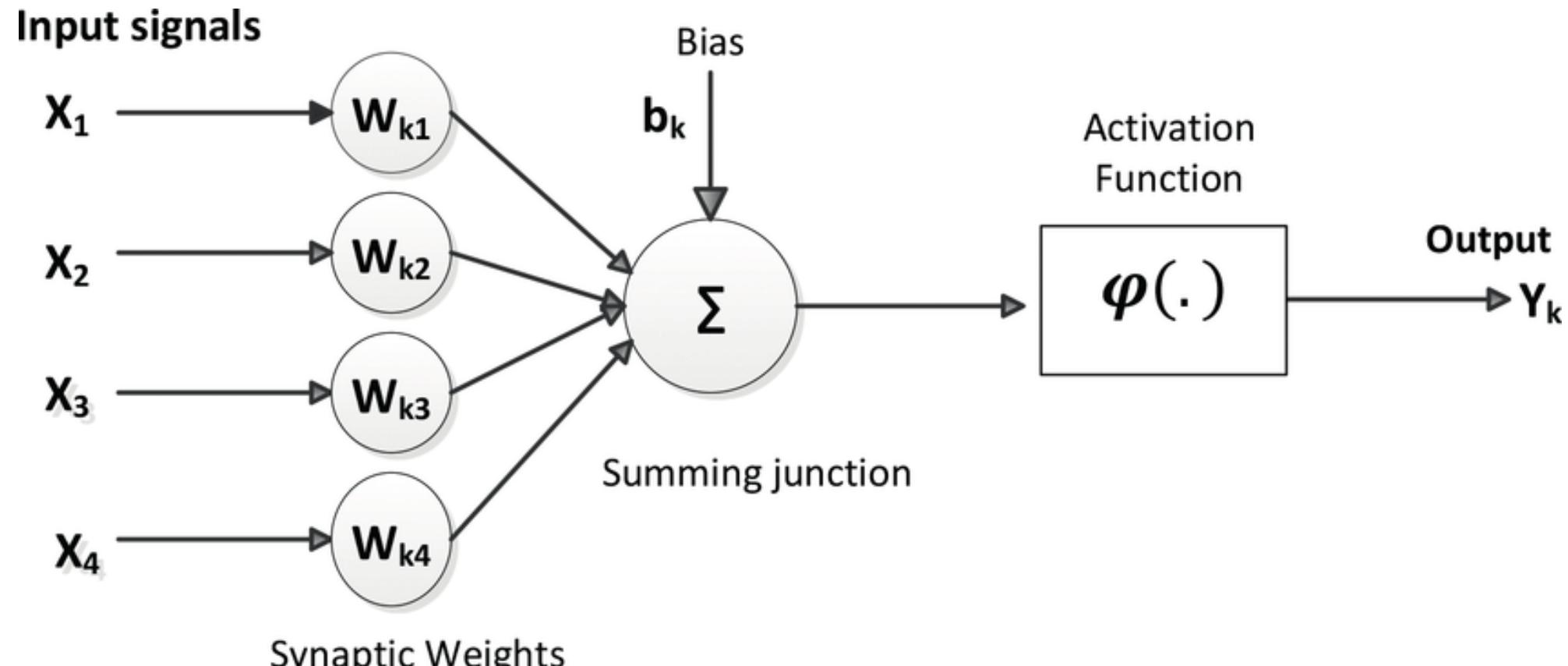


Warren McCulloch (MIT)



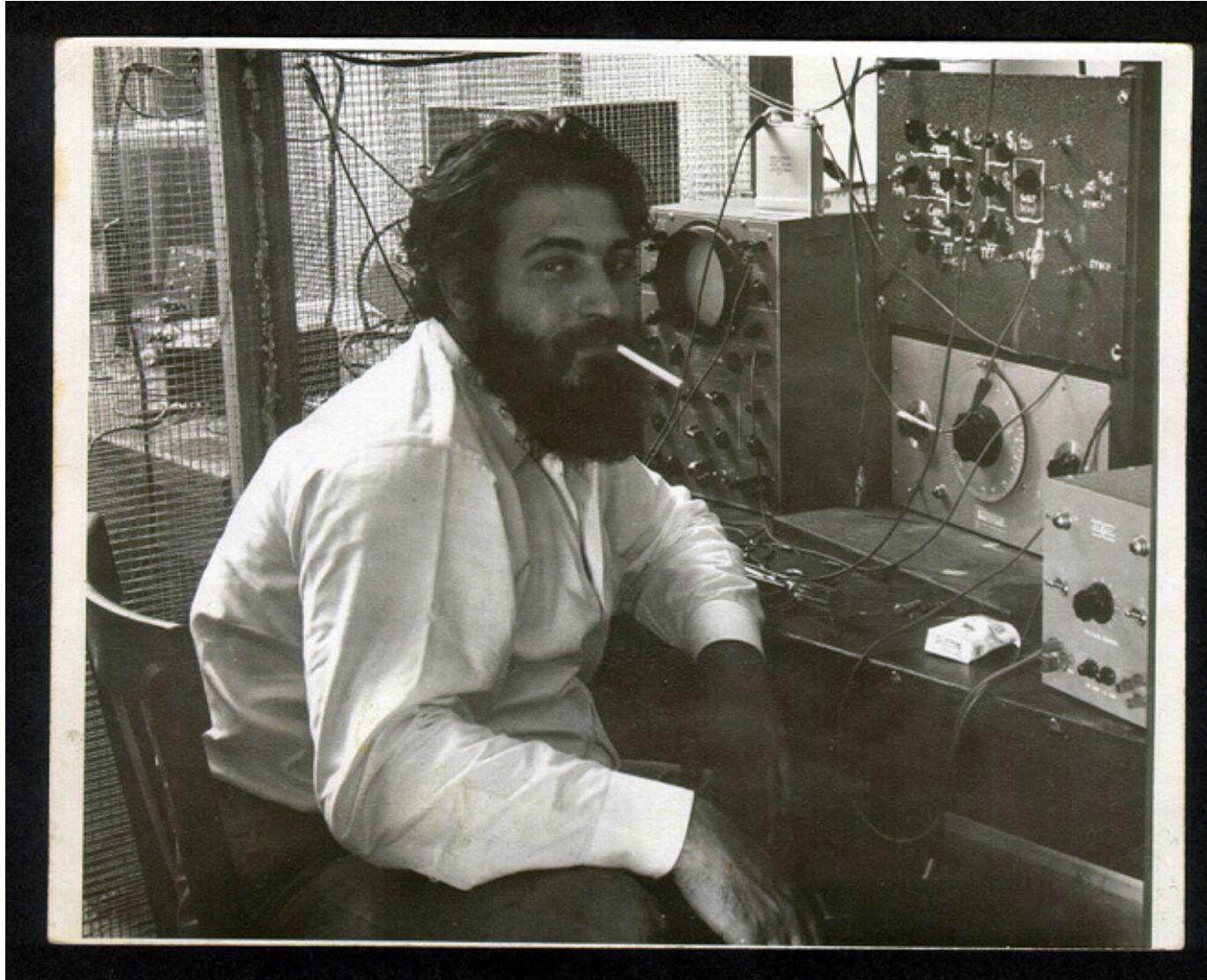
Walter Pitts (MIT)

# McCulloch-Pitts model



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# What the Frog's Eye Tells the Frog's Brain



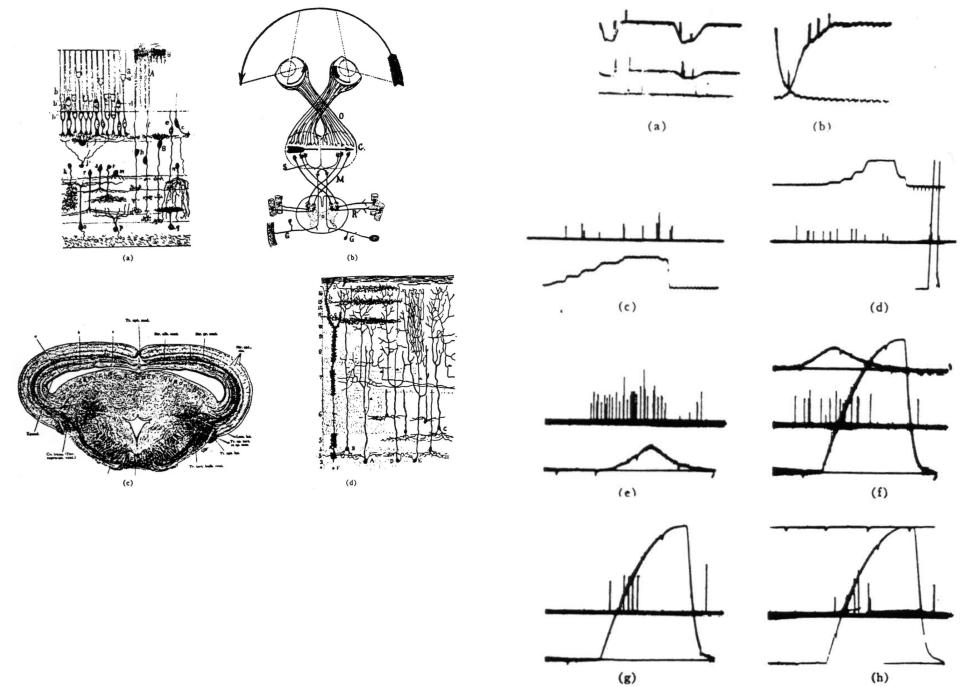
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# What the Frog's Eye Tells the Frog's Brain

Retinal ganglion cells in the frog's eye are specialized to detect specific types of visual information:

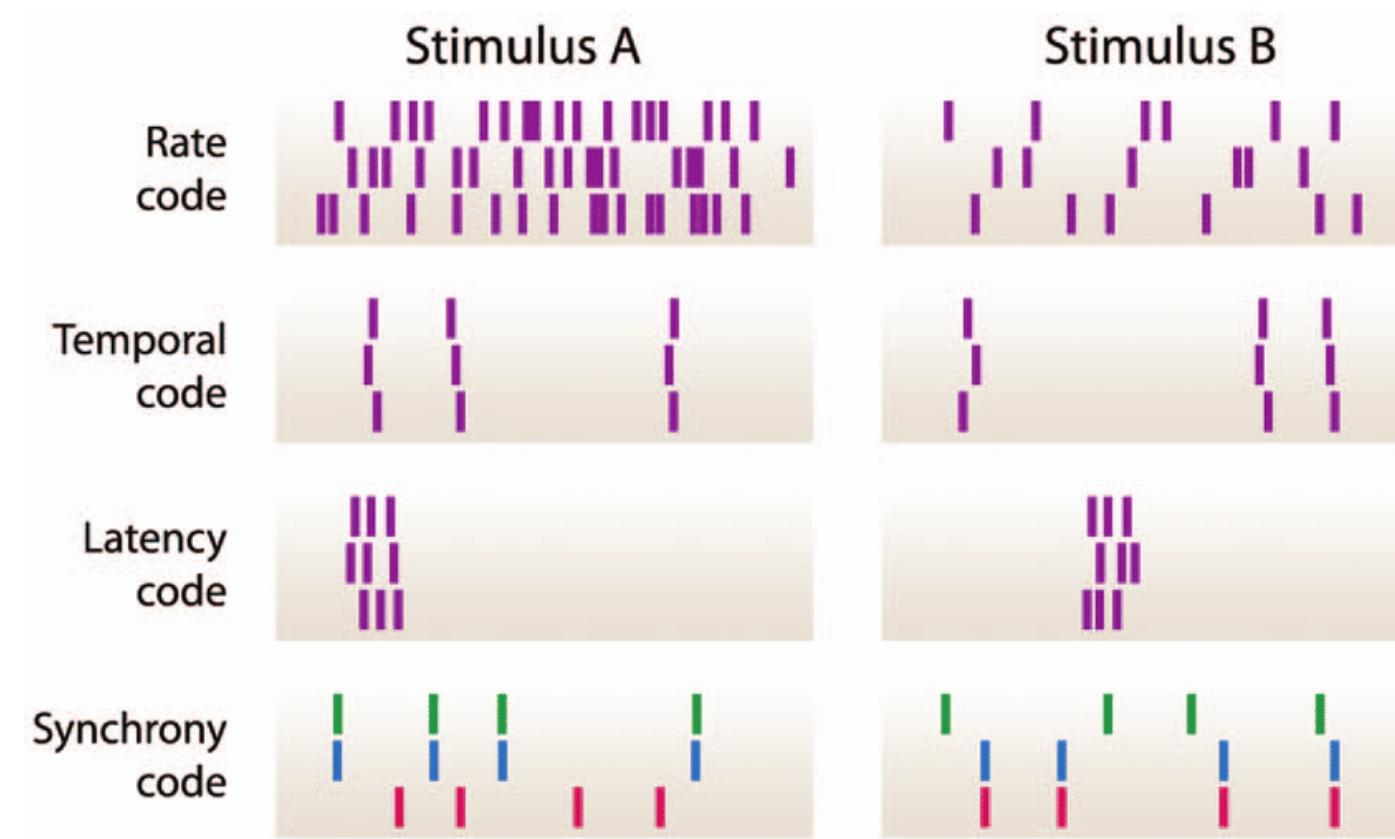
- movement
- contrast
- light intensity

Features, rather than forming a complete image by representing parts of the image.

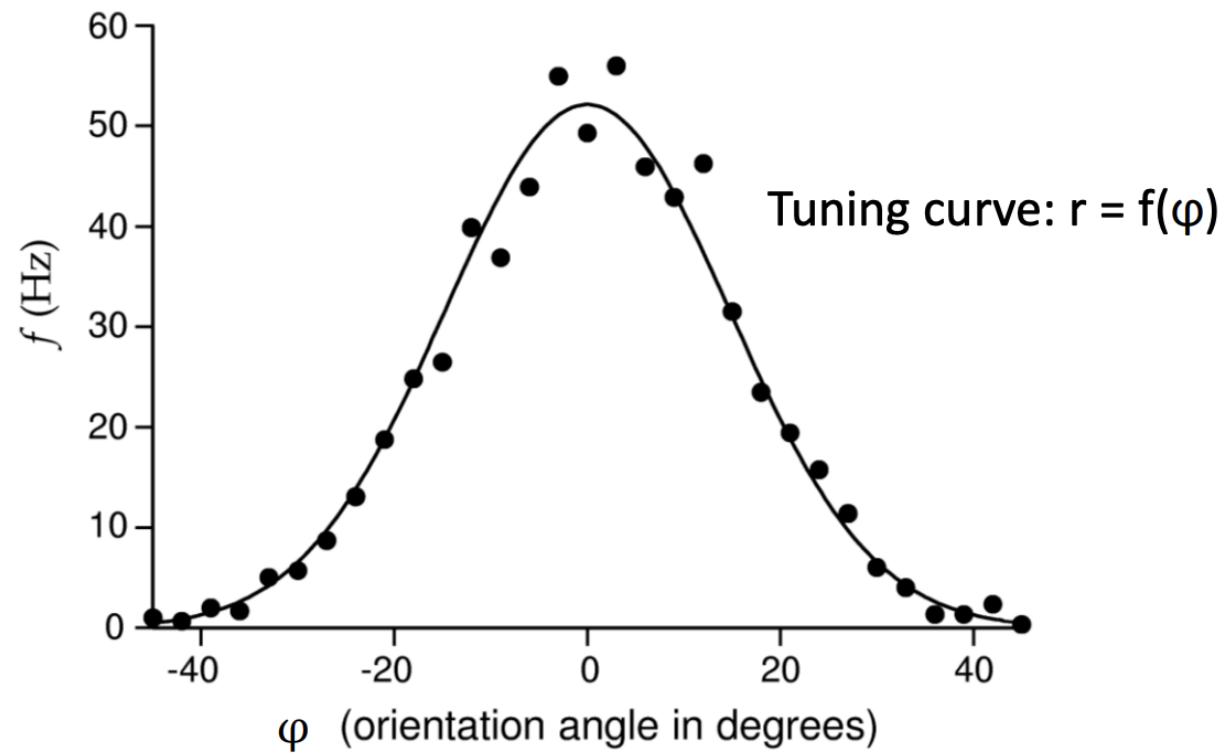
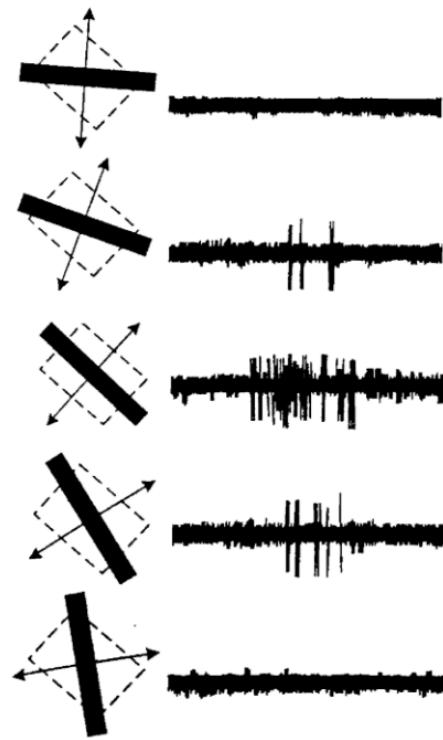


# Neural coding

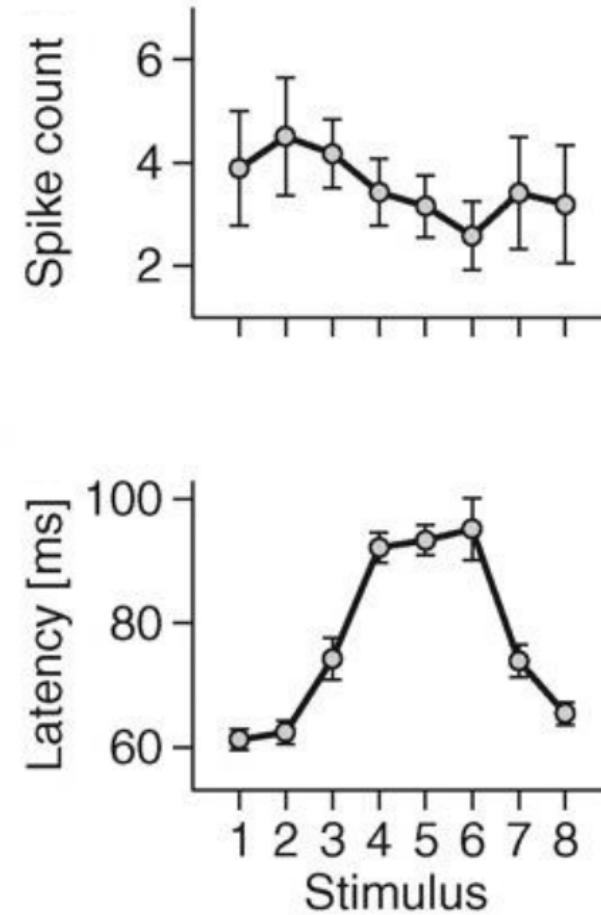
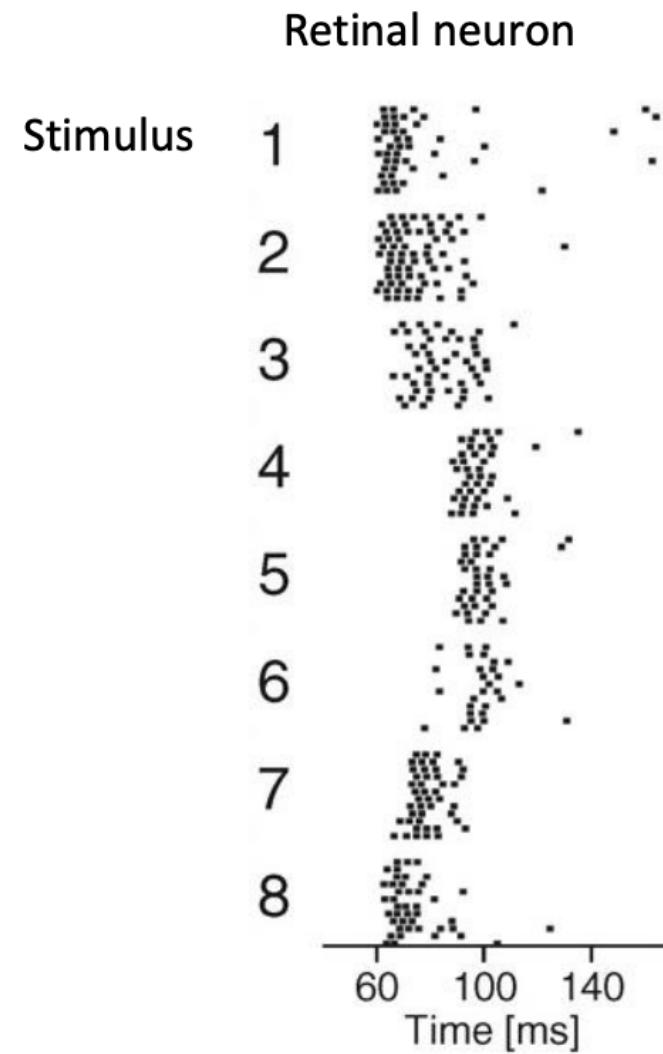
- Rate coding
- Temporal coding
- Population coding



# Tuning curves

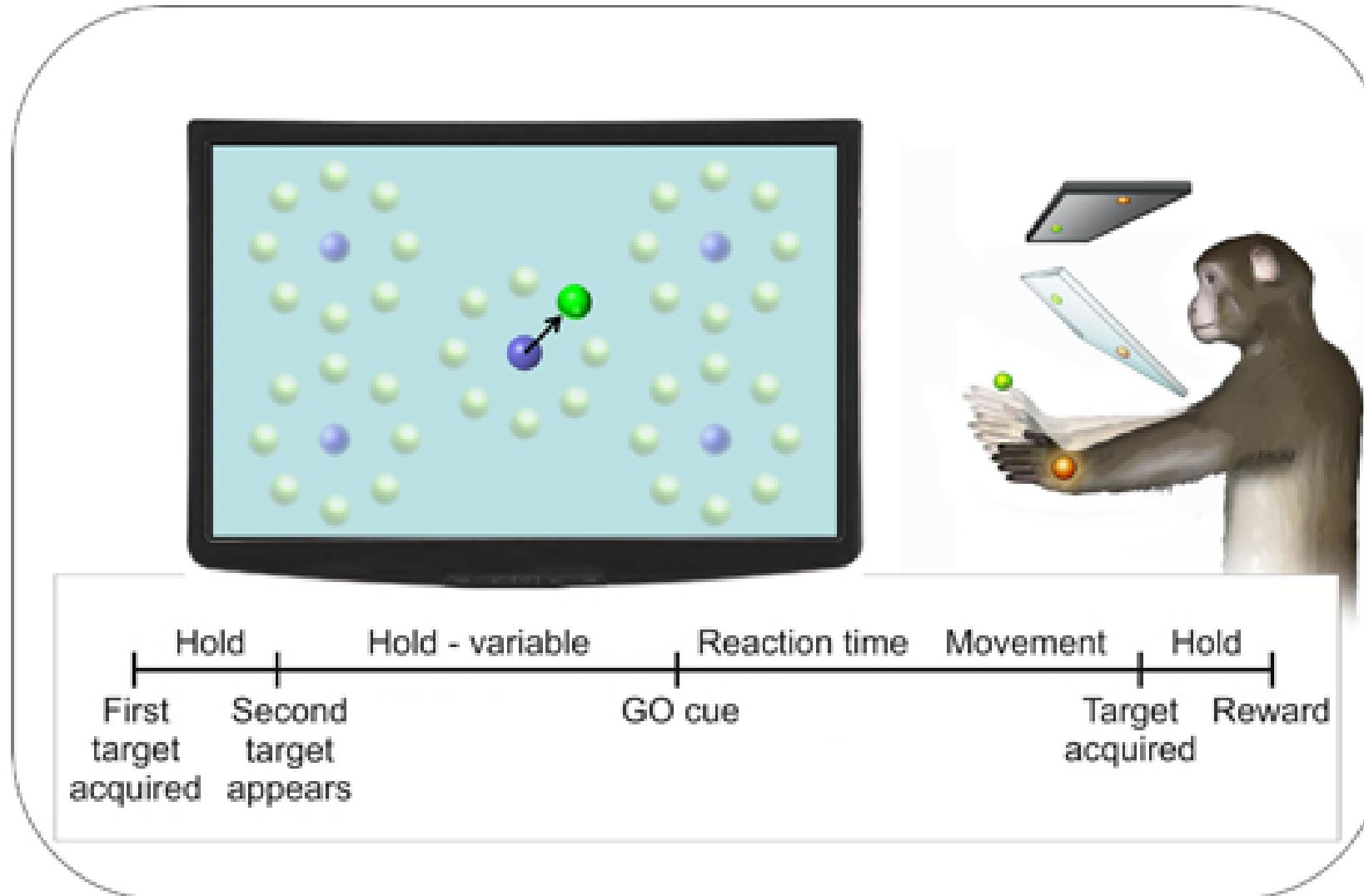


# Temporal code

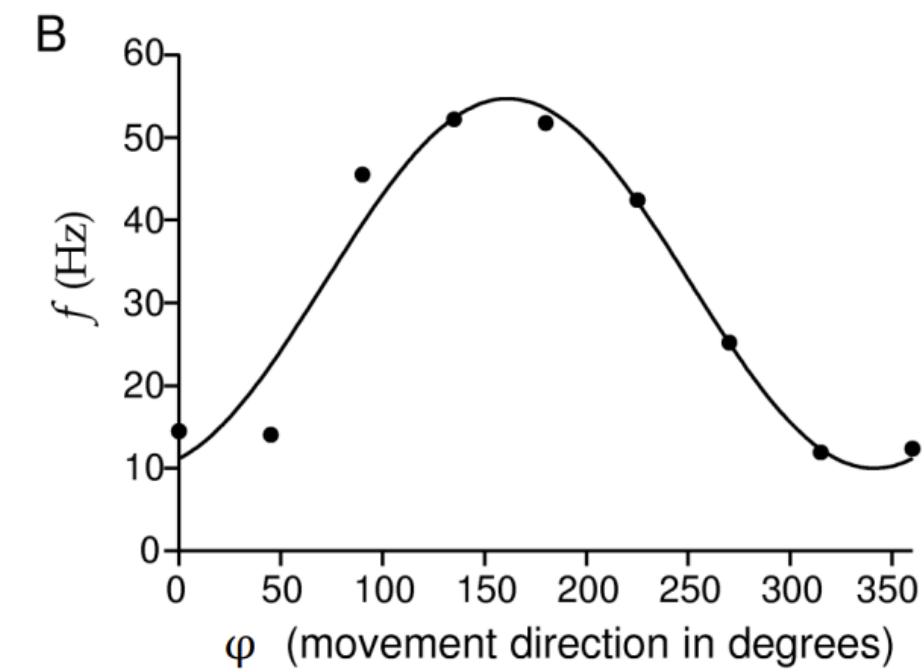
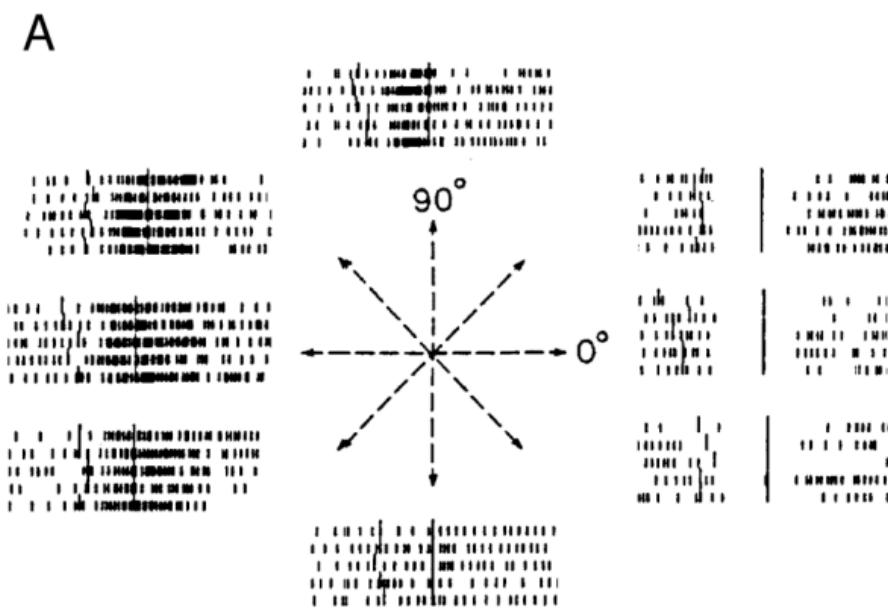


Gollisch & Meister 2008

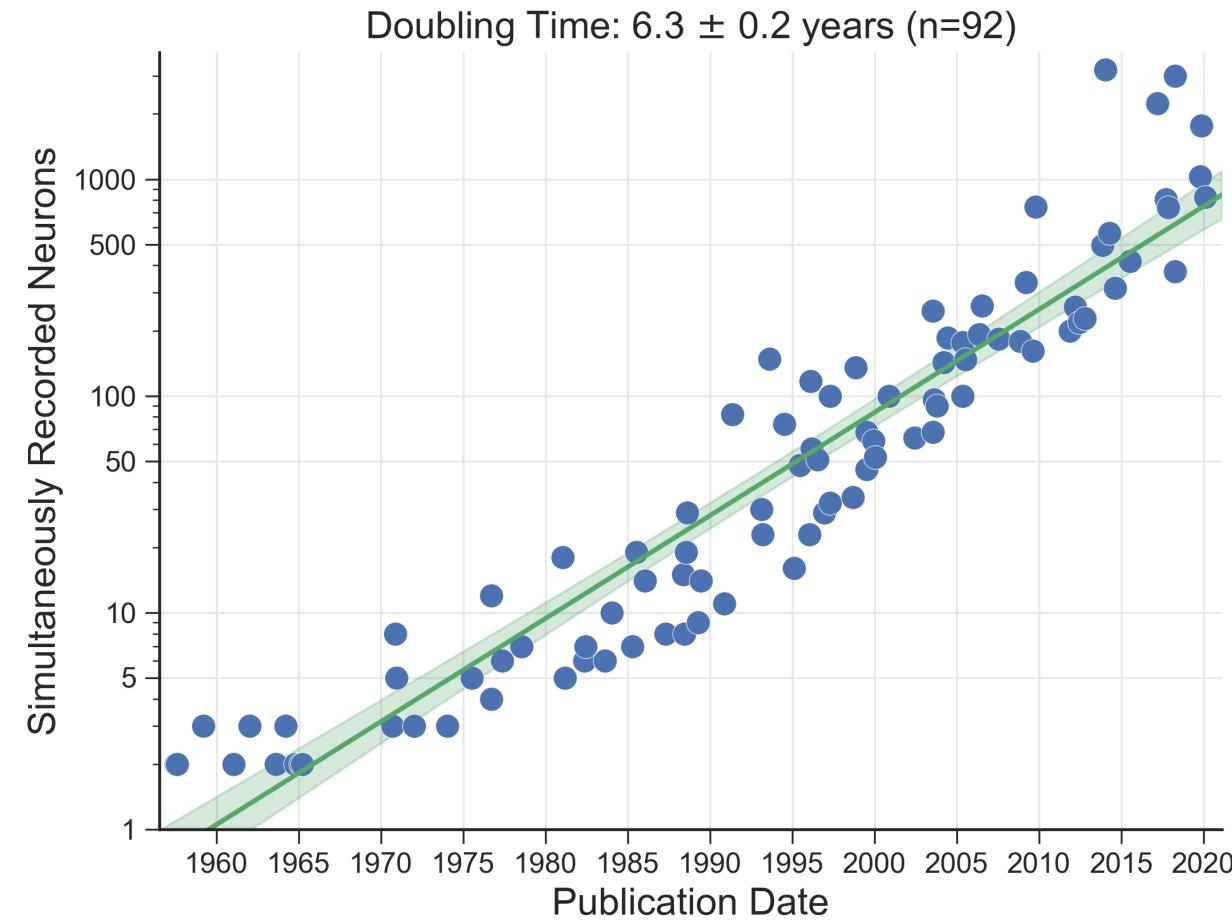
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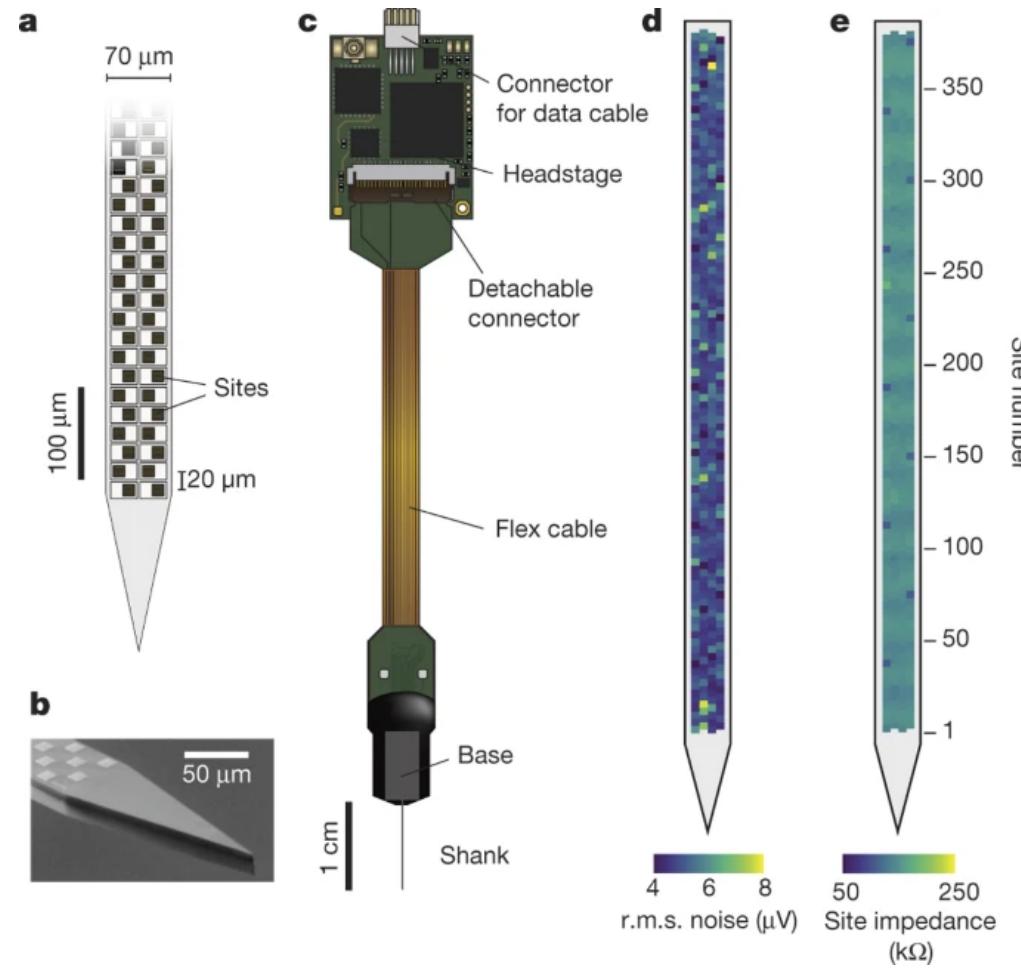


# Recording multiple neurons at the same time

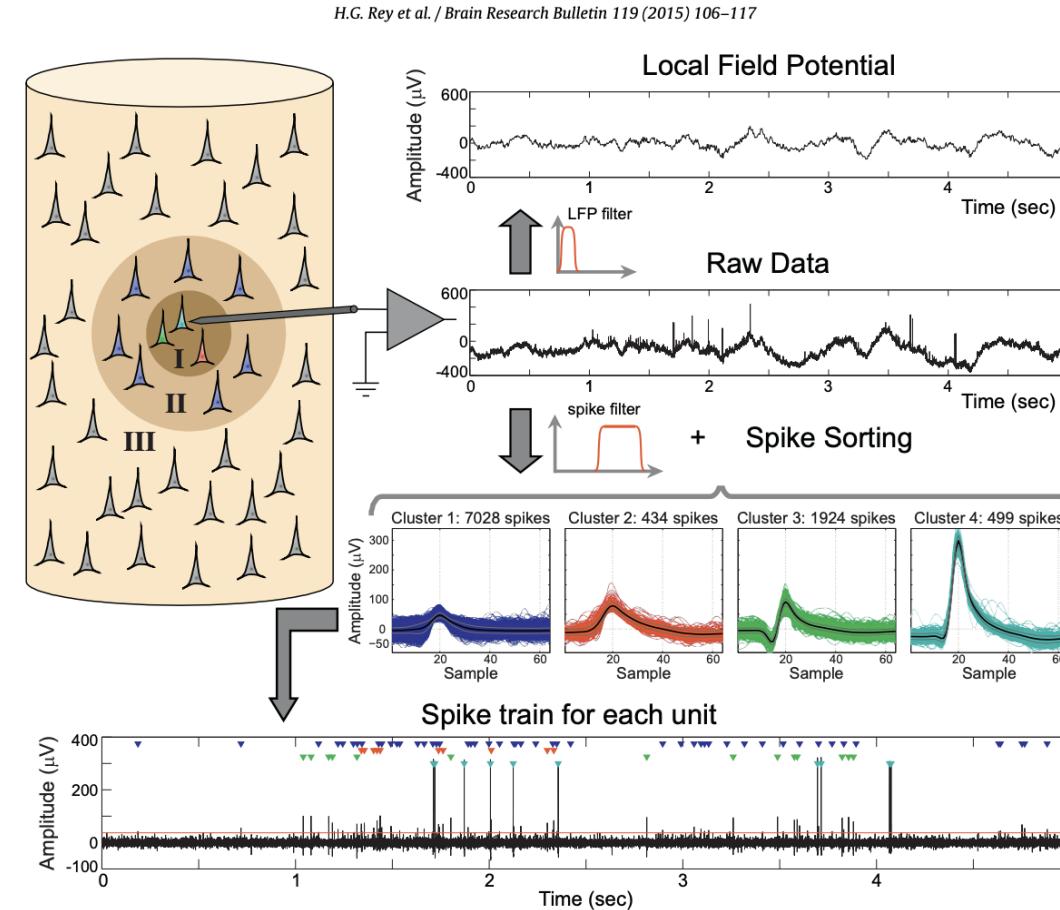


For updated list: <https://stevenson.lab.uconn.edu/scaling/>

# Neuropixels

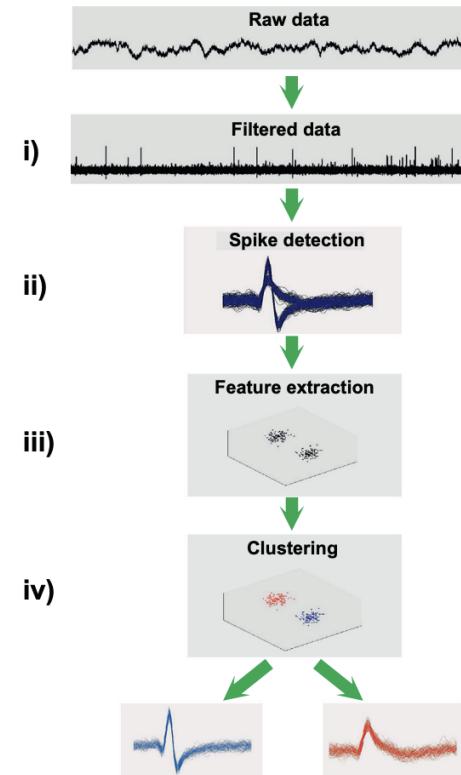


# Detecting individual neurons through their spike shape

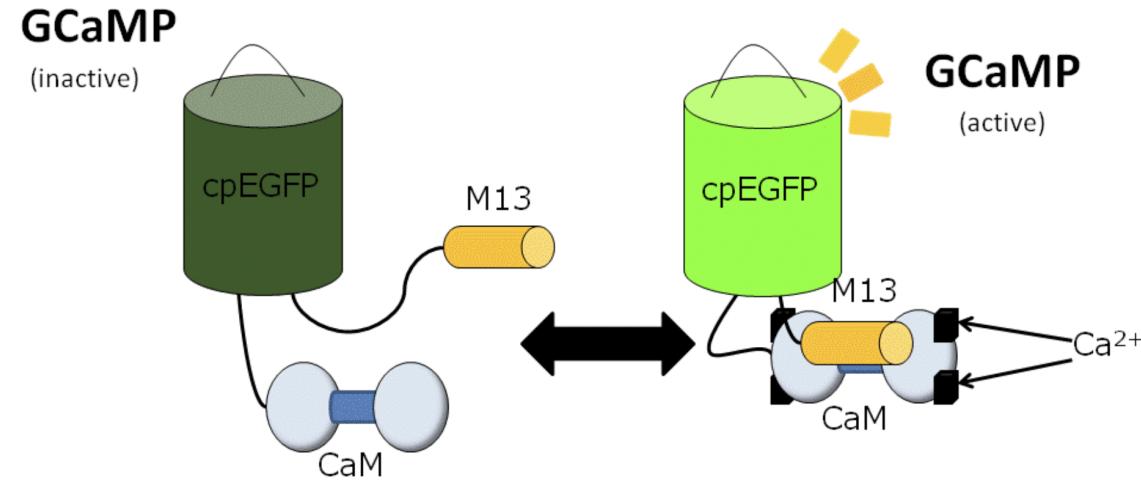


# Spike sorting

Spike sorting is the process of isolating and classifying electrical signals from individual neurons recorded by electrodes, enabling the analysis of neural activity at the single-cell level.



# Calcium imaging: Genetically encoded calcium indicators



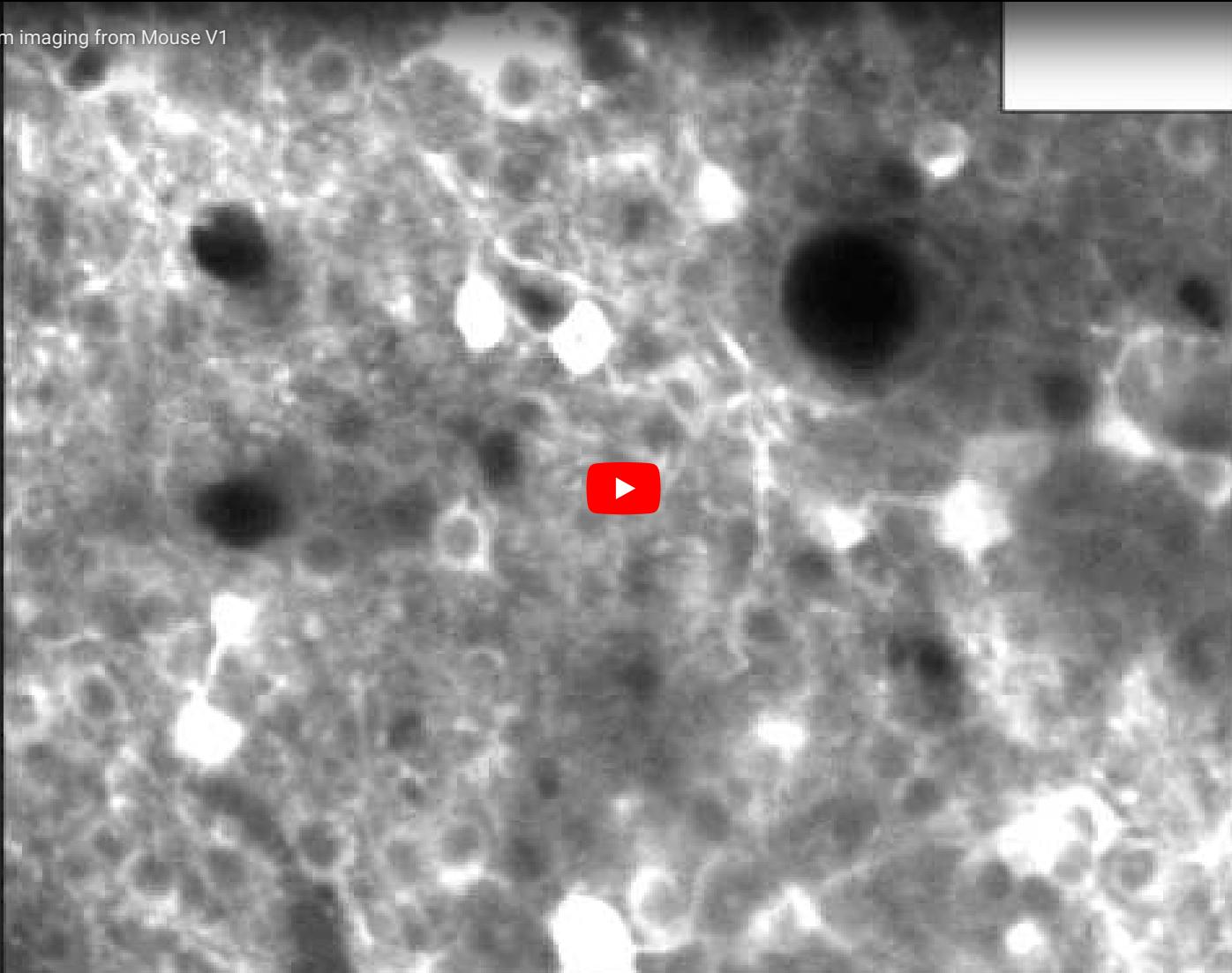
- genetically encoded calcium indicator (GECI)

Nakajima et al., (2001) *Nature Biotechnology*

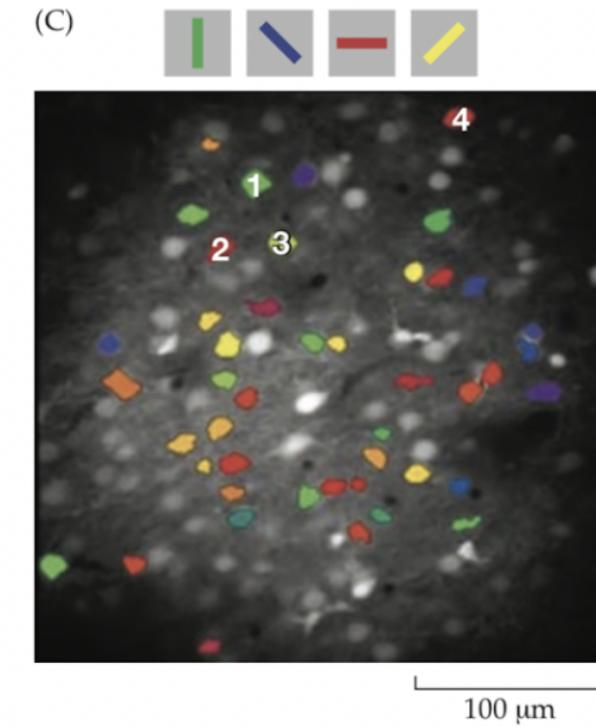
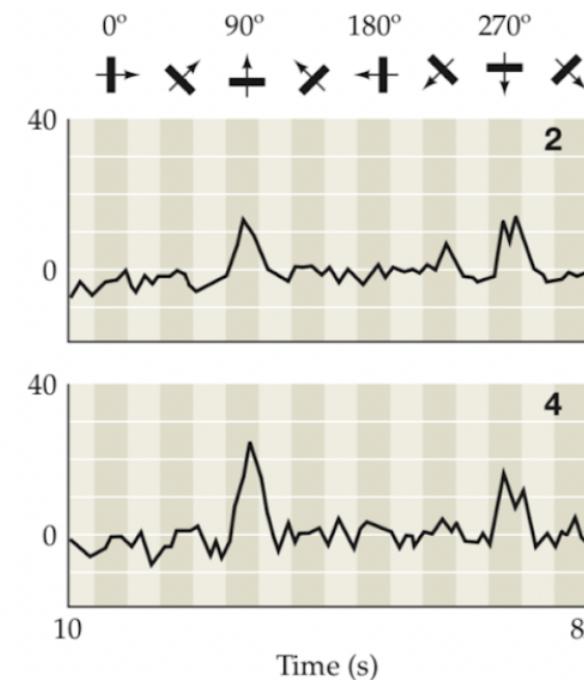
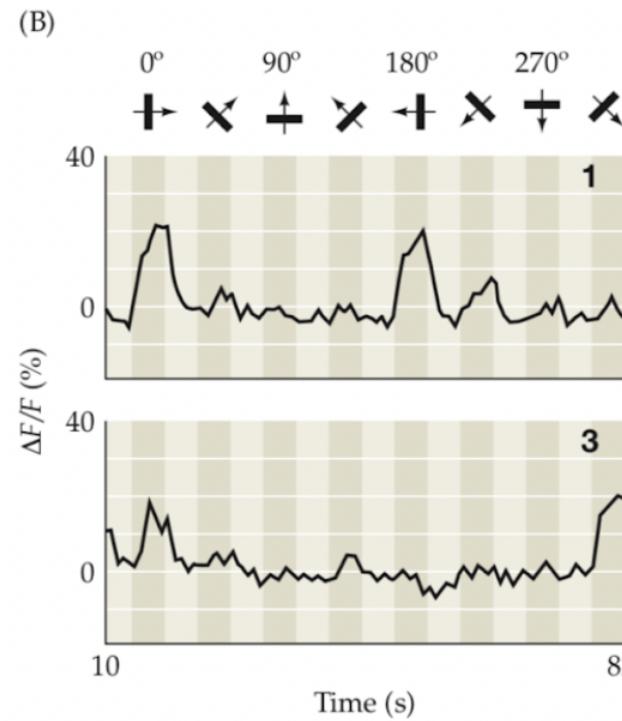
# Direction sensitivity in vision cortex

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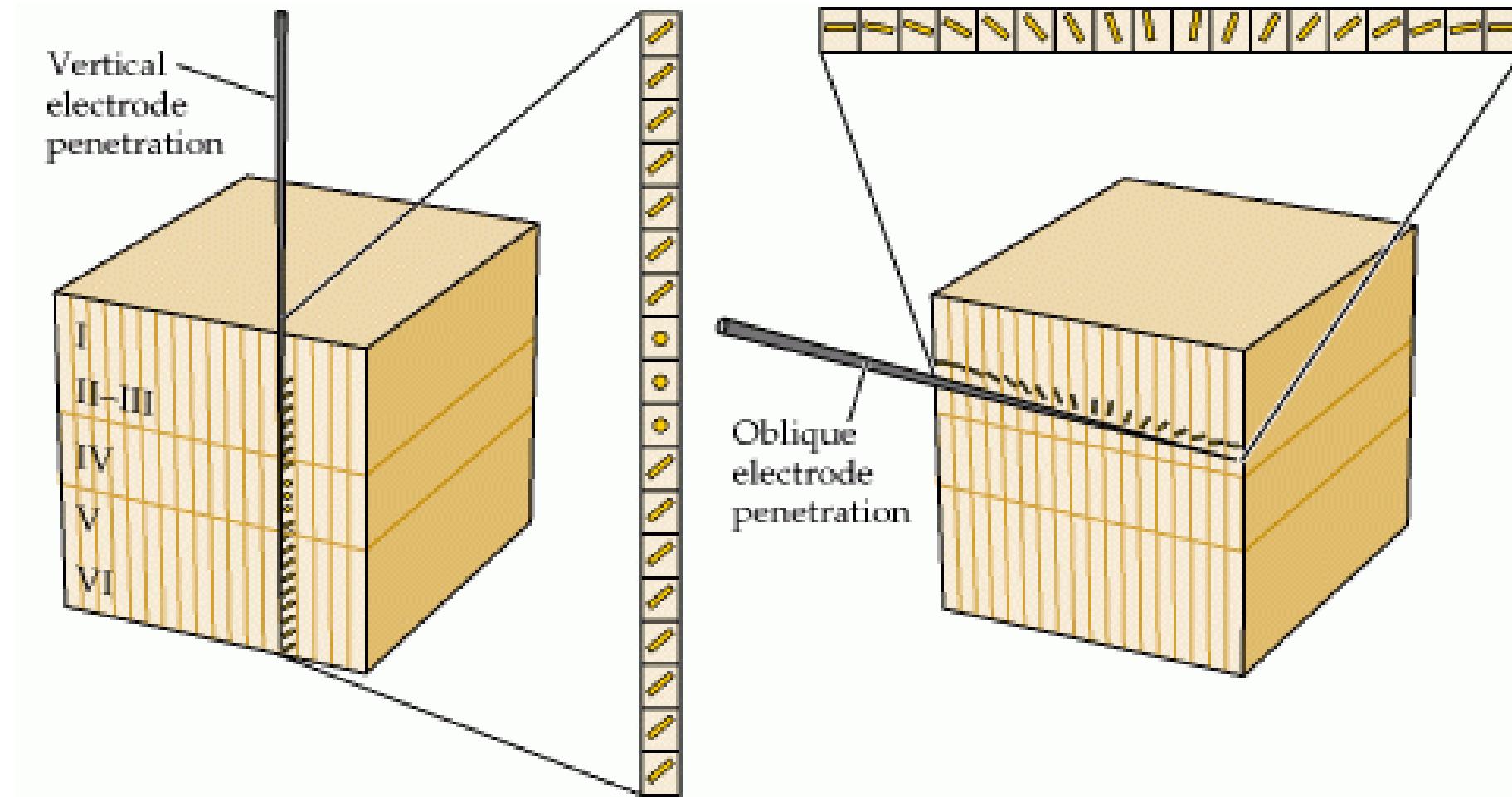
Sur Lab - Calcium imaging from Mouse V1

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Mountcastle (1957) *J. Neurophysiol.*