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Sections and TAs


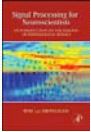

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Web site (http://ccn.ucla.edu/wiki/index.php/Principles_of_Neuroimaging) is a Wiki

- Username: NITP Password: 2007Problem Sets
- Due one week after assignment (usually)
- Send via email to Kevin and Mark
- NITP in Subject Line

Midterm and Final

Requirements

- MATLAB  Part Number 8302556 UCLA Store Price \$99
- Signal Processing for Neuroscientists 
- Cartoon Guide to Statistics (optional) 
- Class List
Class List sign up [\[edit\]](#)
As soon as possible, please add yourself to the list of students in the class. [Class List](#)
- Pre-Requisites
 - Basic Statistics
 - Programming
 - Integral Calculus
 - Functional Neuroanatomy

Schedule (http://ccn.ucla.edu/wiki/index.php/Class_Schedule)

Week	Topic
1	Orientation to Neuroimaging, Neurons, Brains
2	Linear Systems
3	Noise
4	Electricity and Electronics
5	Electrophysiology and Stats review
6	Advanced Statistics
7	Real-World Circuits
8	Getting your hands dirty
9	tbd
10	tbd
11	FINALS

Topics To Be Scheduled:

Spike Measurement and Analysis
Point Spread Functions
Principles of Optical Neuroimaging and Microscopy
Exploratory Data Analysis
Loose ends

UCLA

NP NEUROIMAGING TRAINING PROGRAM



the UCLA Neuroimaging Training Program

- NIH-Sponsored Program Promoting Multidisciplinary Training
Neuroscience, Statistics, Mathematics, Physics, Engineering Computer Sciences
- Five Graduate Fellowships (including non-US nationals)
- Annual Summer Advanced Fellowship
- Only Three Such Programs Funded

How to Apply for Training

- NITP Will Prepare a Certificate for students completing the requirements. This does not depend on receipt of a fellowship.
- Pre-requisites:
 - Integral Calculus
 - Basic Statistics
 - Electricity and Magnetism
 - Computer Programming (any language)
 - Functional Neuroanatomy
- Discuss with Home Department
- Contact Mark Cohen

Neuronal Anatomy and Electrical Activity

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Biomedical Engineering, Biomedical Physics

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Topics

- anatomy of single neurons
- resting and action potentials
- transmission of signals
- chemical and electrical synapses
- information coding
- BOLD and unit activity
- EEG & SITE
- MR-visible effects



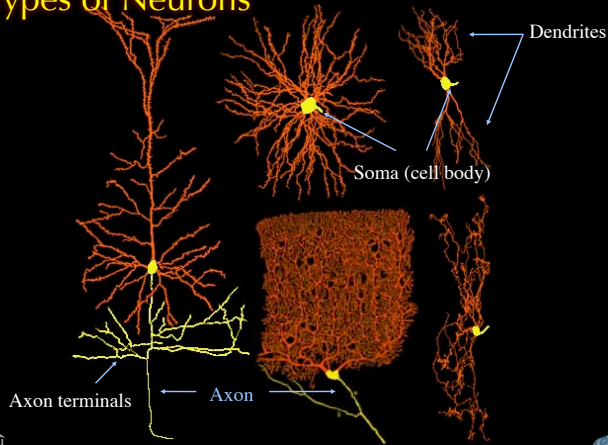
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Types of Neurons



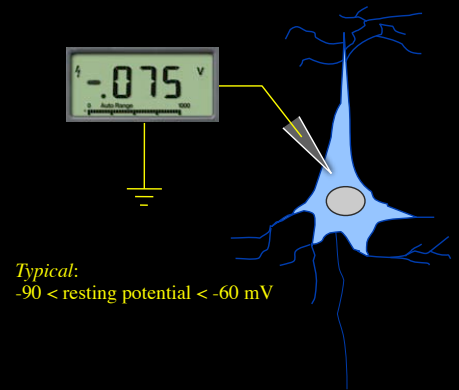
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Resting Potential



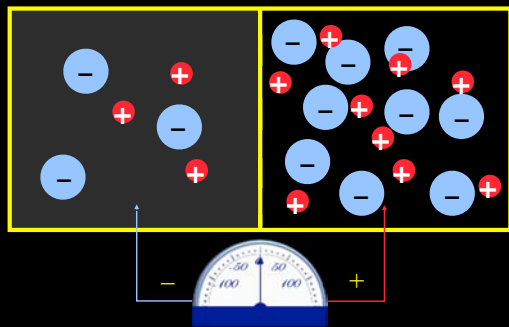
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Development of the Membrane Potential



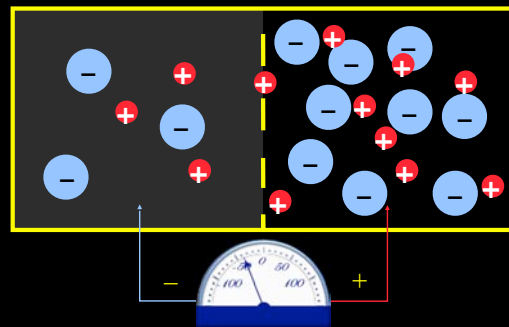
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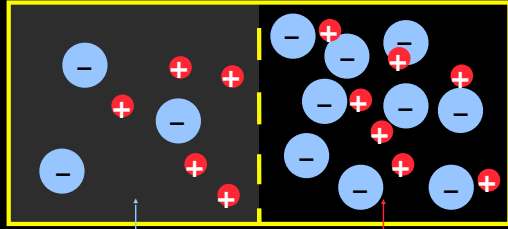
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Development of the Membrane Potential



$$E = \frac{RT}{F} \ln \frac{[C_{inside}]}{[C_{outside}]}$$

$$\approx 27 \text{ mV} \ln \frac{[C_{inside}]}{[C_{outside}]}$$

Nernst Potential:

Observed Ion Concentrations

Nernst Potential @37°C

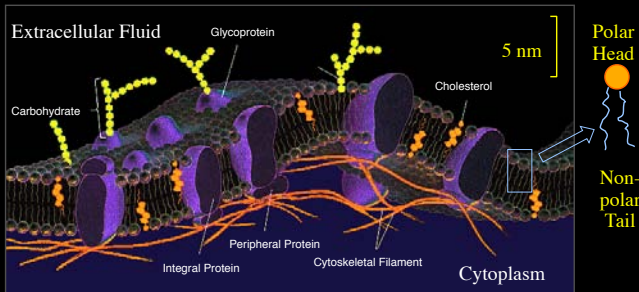
[Na⁺] 460 mM → [Na⁺] 50 mM +60 mV

$$E = \frac{RT}{F} \ln \left(\frac{p_A [A]_{out} p_B [B]_{out} p_y [x]_{in} p_y [y]_{in}}{p_A [A]_{in} p_B [B]_{in} p_x [x]_{out} p_y [y]_{out}} \right)$$

A, B are cations
x, y are anions

-75 mV

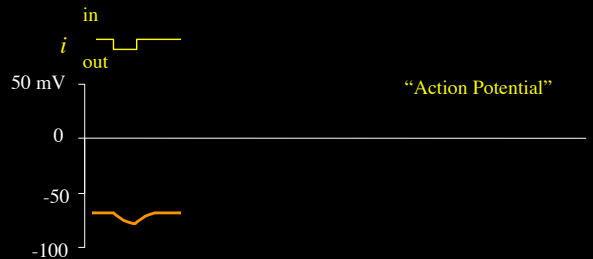
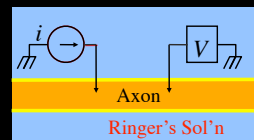
Structure of the Cell Membrane



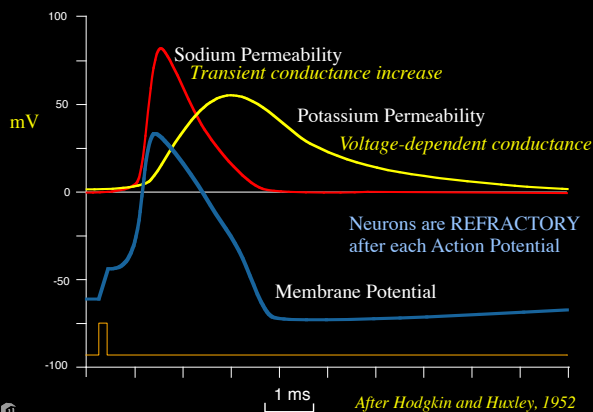
Note: E-field is >10 MV/m!

Taken from Human Biology by Daniel Chiras

Electrical Behavior of Neurons



Current and Voltage



After Hodgkin and Huxley, 1952

Sodium Leakage with Action Potentials

Cell Volume = 9×10^{-13} liters, about half of which is liquid.

At 40 mM Sodium:
= 4.0×10^{-14} Moles Sodium/cell

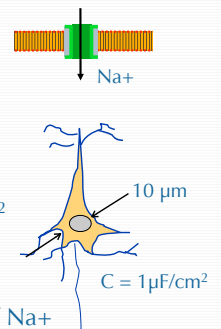
With Each Action Potential:

$\Delta V = 0.13$ Volt
 $Q = CV = 1.3 \times 10^{-7}$ Coulombs/cm²
= 1.4×10^{-12} Moles/cm²

Surface Area = 2.8×10^{-5} cm²

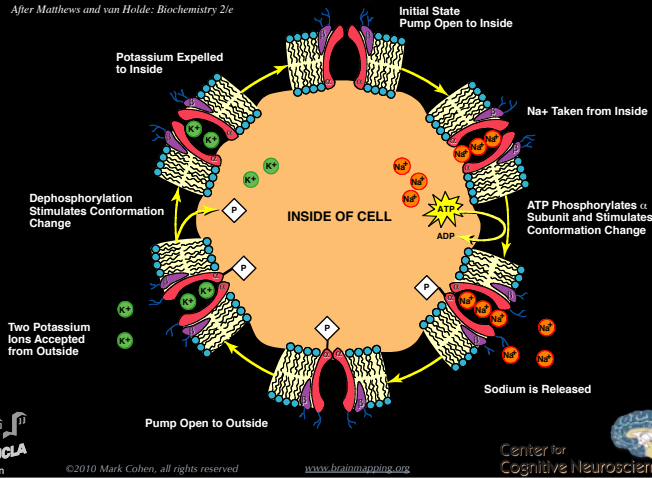
Each AP passes 3.7×10^{-17} Moles of Na⁺

[Na⁺] is increased by 0.1% with each Action Potential!

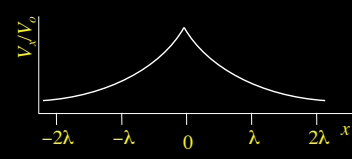
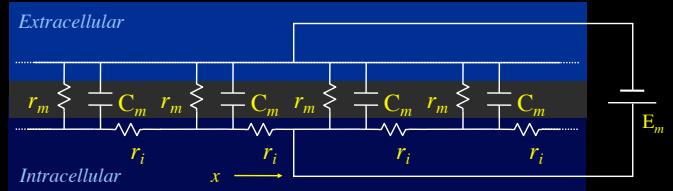


Sodium Potassium Pump

After Mathews and van Holde: Biochemistry 2/e



Cable Properties

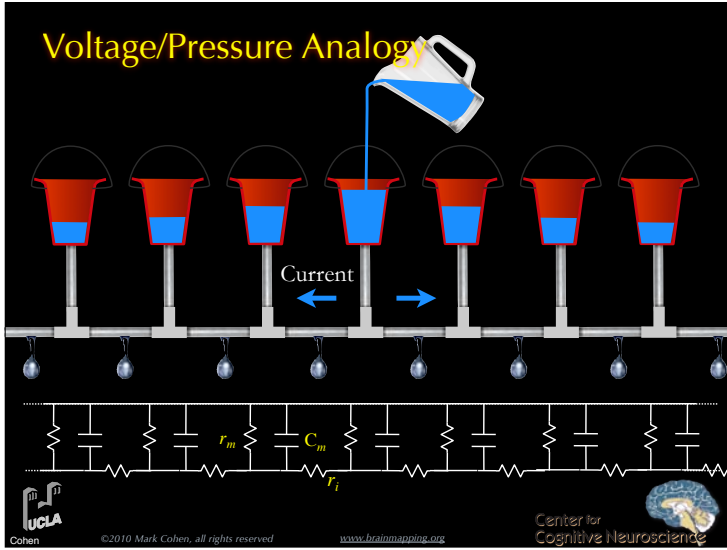


$$\frac{V_x}{V_0} = e^{-x/\lambda}$$

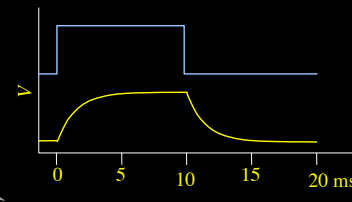
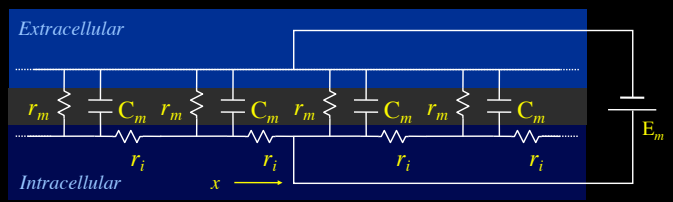
$$\lambda = \sqrt{r_m / r_i}$$

For vertebrate neurons:
 $\mu\text{m} < \lambda < \text{mm}$

Voltage/Pressure Analogy

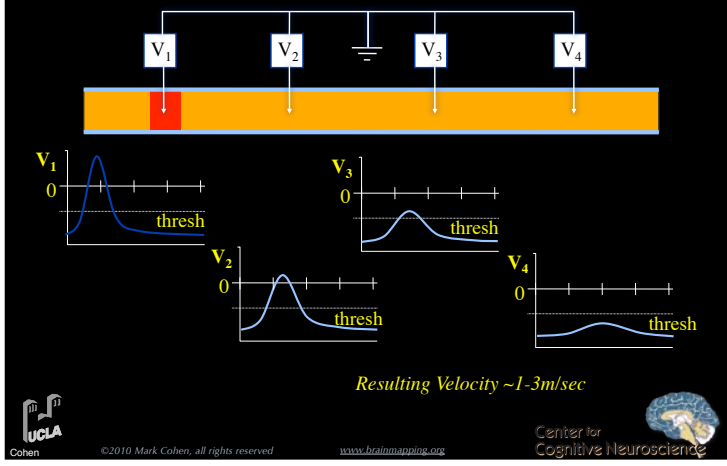


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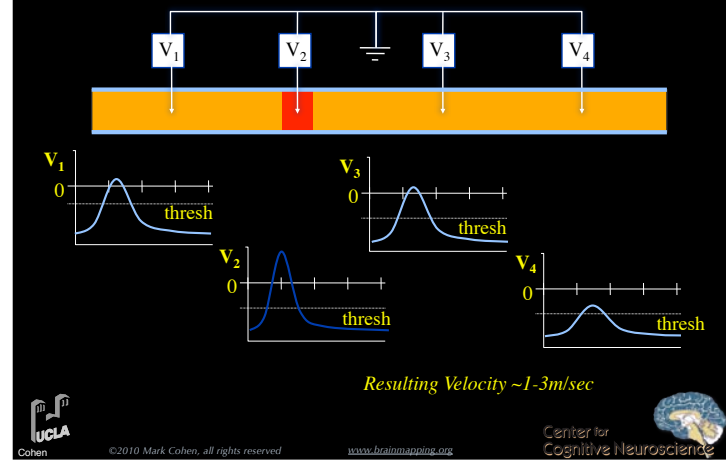


For vertebrate neurons:
 $0.5 \text{ msec} < \tau < 5 \text{ msec}$

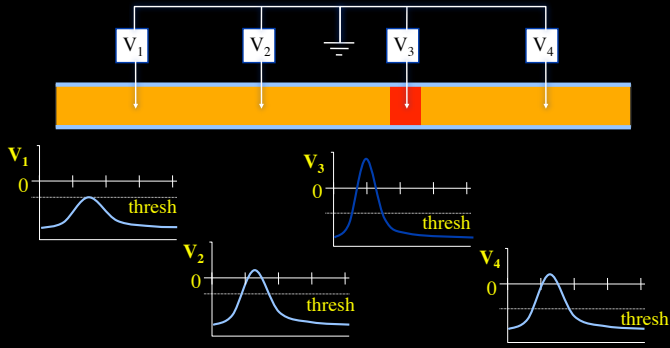
Propagation of the Action Potential



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Resulting Velocity ~1-3m/sec



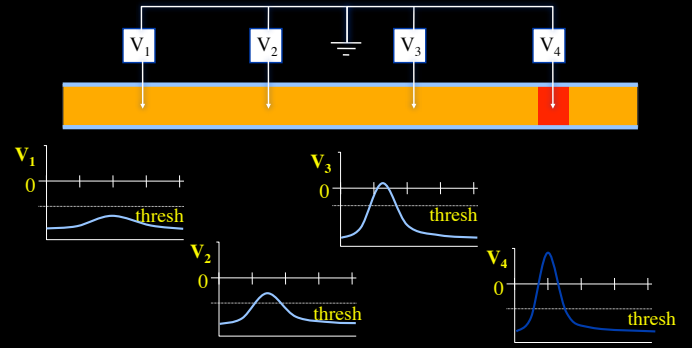
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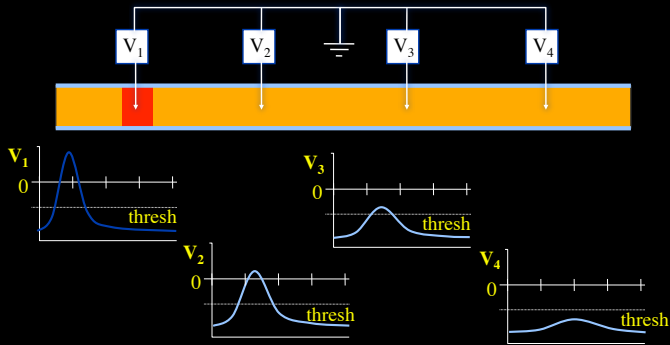
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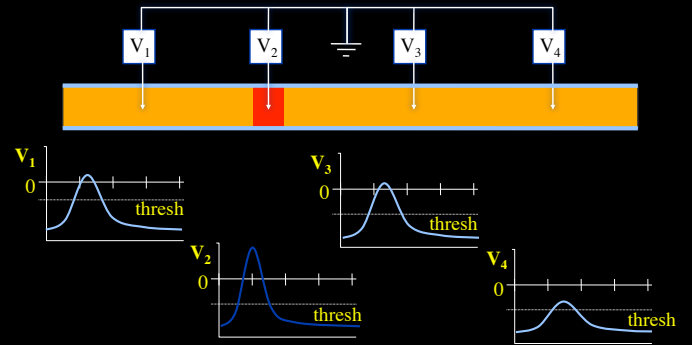
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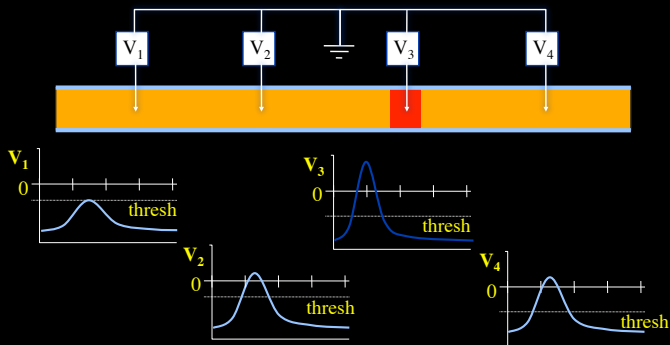
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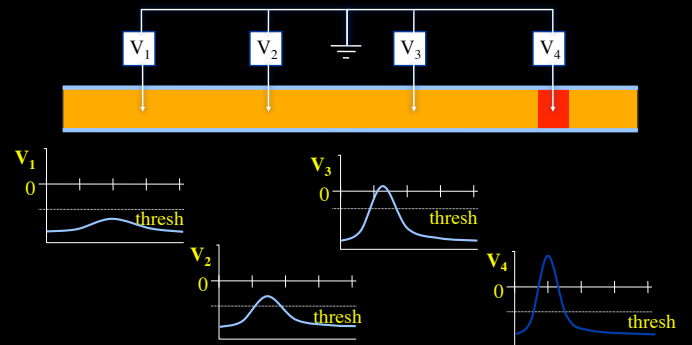
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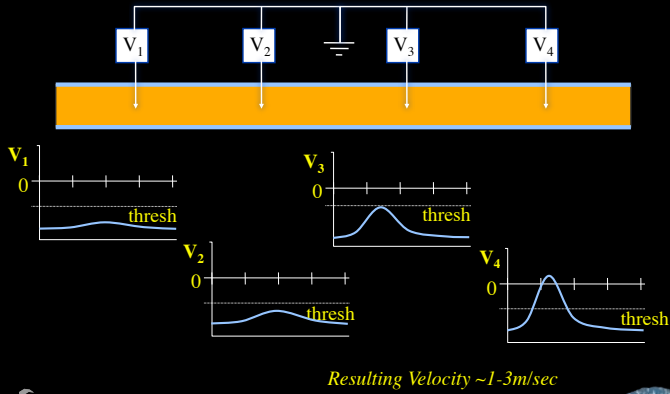
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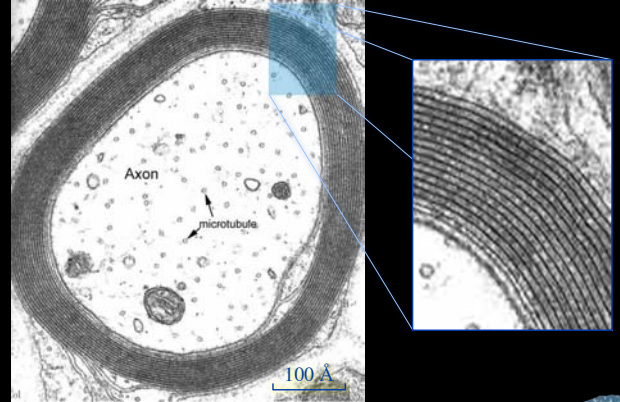
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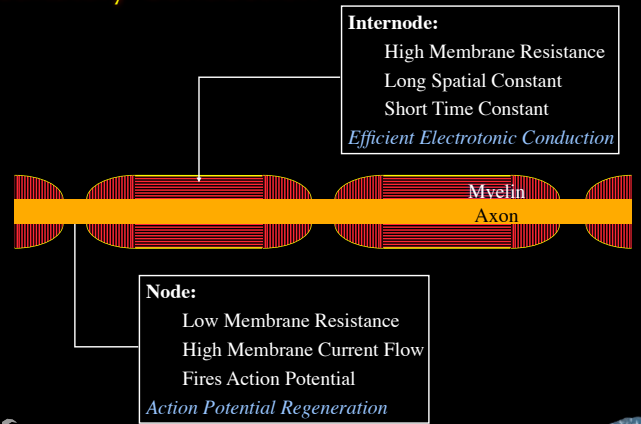
Myelin Sheath



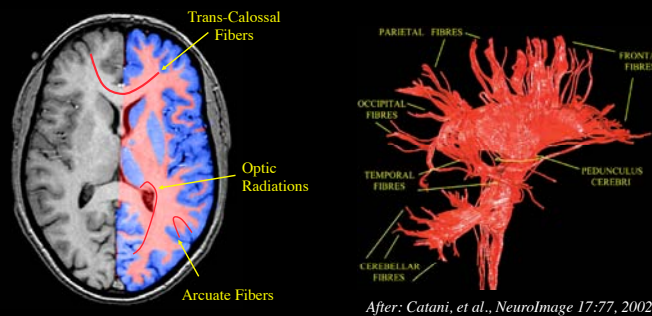
Nodes of Ranvier



Saltatory Conduction

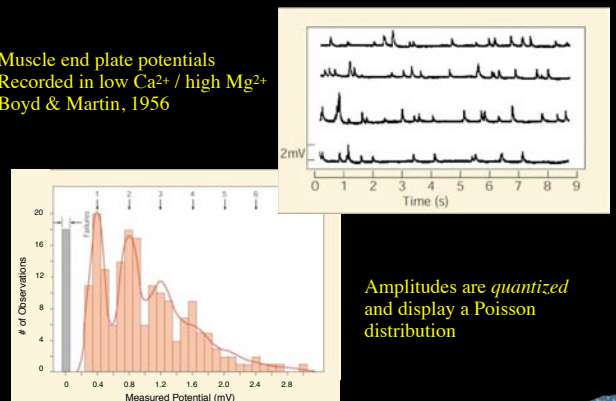


White and Gray Matter



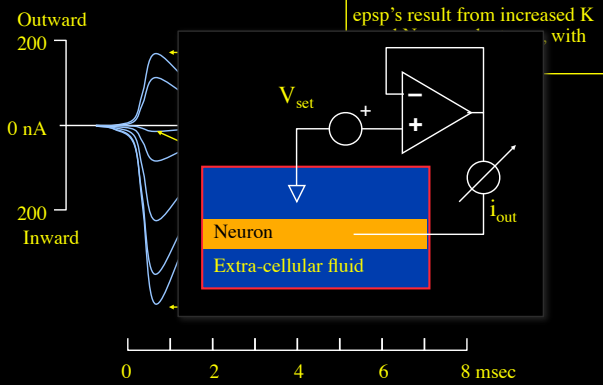
EPSP's: Excitatory Post-Synaptic Potentials

Muscle end plate potentials
 Recorded in low Ca^{2+} / high Mg^{2+}
 Boyd & Martin, 1956



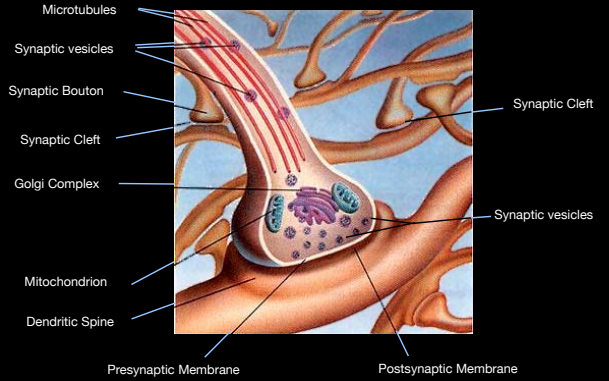
Amplitudes are quantized
 and display a Poisson
 distribution

Reversal Potential



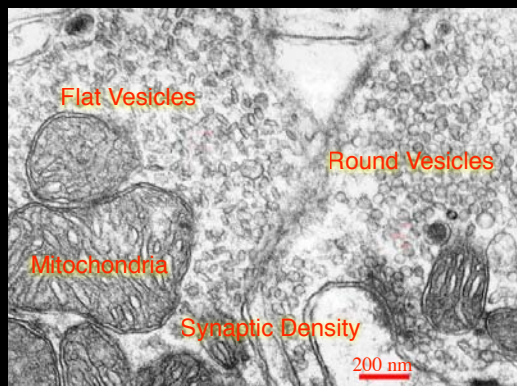
After Magleby and Stevens, 1972

Neural Synapse



From: <http://www.driesen.com/synapse.htm>

Synapses by EM



Atlas of Ultrastructural Neurocytology
http://synapses.mcg.edu/Atlas/1_6_1.stm

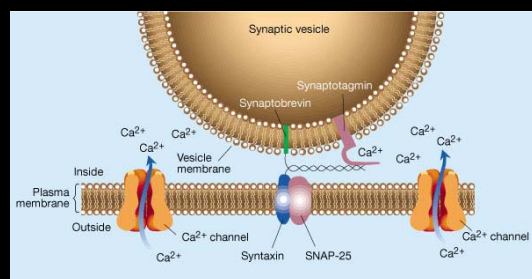
Synaptic Mechanism (movie)



Delay from Presynaptic Action Potential to Post-synaptic Voltage Change is ≈ 0.5 msec

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Synaptic Vesicles



Exocytosis of Transmitter requires Ca^{2+}

From: Matthews, G. *Neurobiology: Molecules, Cells and Systems* 2nd edn

Neurotransmitters

Small Molecules:

Acetylcholine
Serotonin
Histamine
Epinephrine
Norepinephrine
Dopamine
Adenosine
ATP
Nitric Oxide

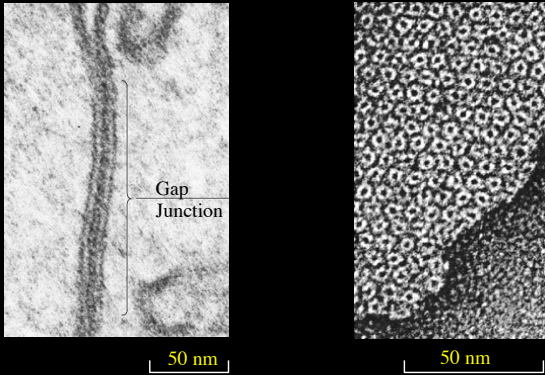
Amino Acids

Aspartate
Gamma-aminobutyric Acid
Glutamate
Glycine

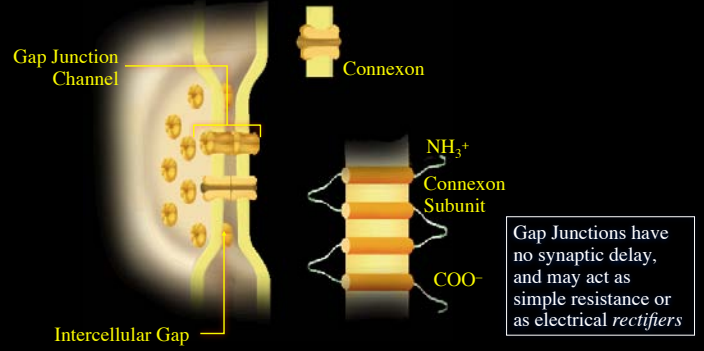
Peptides

Angiotensin II
Bradykinin
Neurotensin
Beta-endorphin
Neuropeptide Y
Bombesin
Substance P
Secretin
Somatostatin
Vasopressin
Enkephalin
Dynorphin
Oxytocin
Insulin
Prolactin
Galanin
Thyrotropin
Gastrin
THRH
Glucagon
Luteinizing Hormone
GRH
Vasoactive Intestinal Peptide
GHRH
...and many others

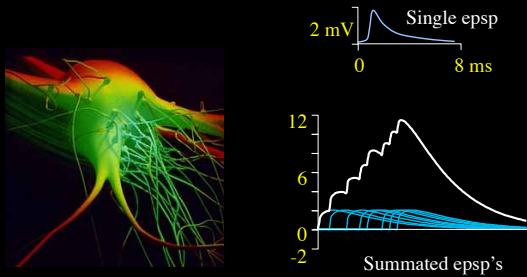
Electrical Synapses



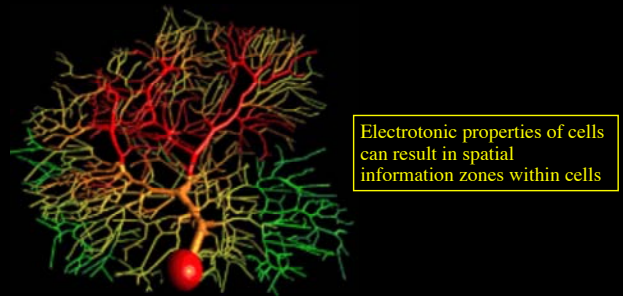
Gap Junction Microstructure



SpatioTemporal Summation of psp's



Integration of Inputs



Dendritic Spines

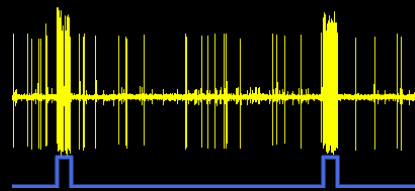


Atlas of Ultrastructural Neurocytology

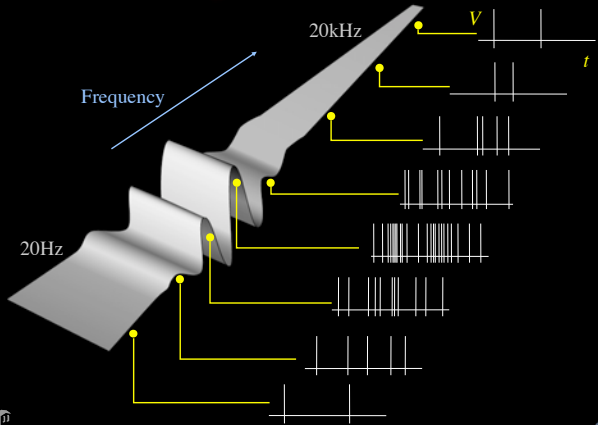
How Do Neurons Encode

Action Potentials are Identical!

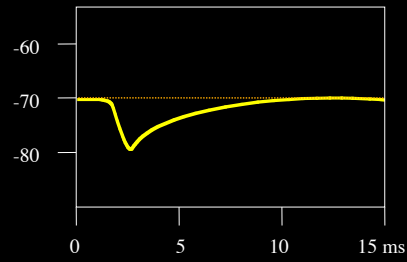
1. Firing Rate: Ranges up to 1000 spikes/second



Place Encoding - Basilar Membrane

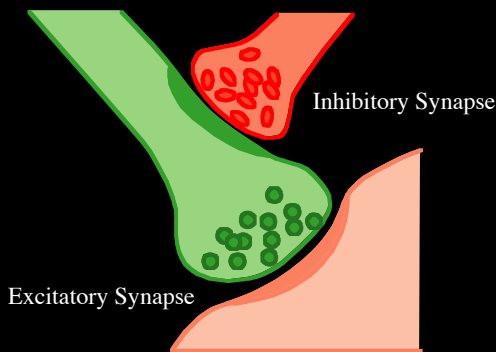


Inhibition



Reversal potential of Cl^- is near the resting potential. Therefore, its inhibition may be silent.

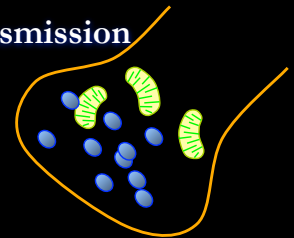
Pre-Synaptic Inhibition



How does BOLD relate to neural firing?

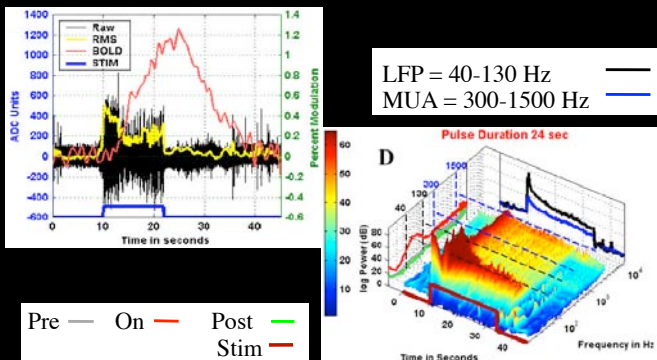
Energy Demands in Transmission

Pre-synaptic:
Transmitter Synthesis
Exocytosis
Transmitter re-uptake

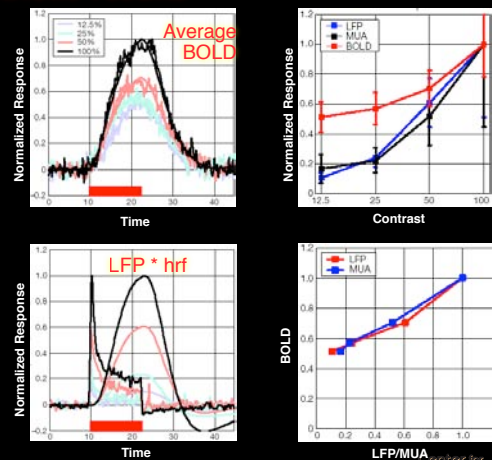


Post-Synaptic
Maintenance of membrane potential after ion leakage
Excitatory: Removal of Sodium (Na/K pump)
Inhibitory: ???

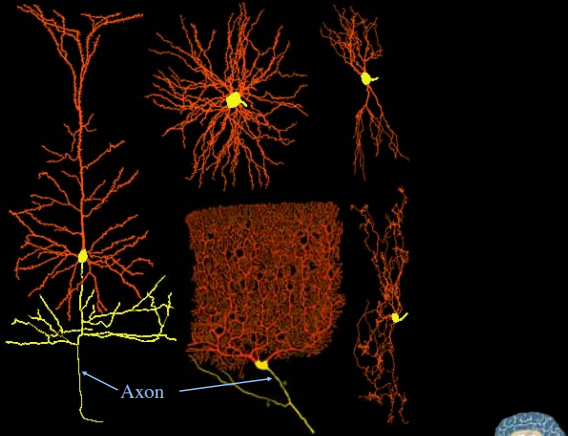
Logothetis Results



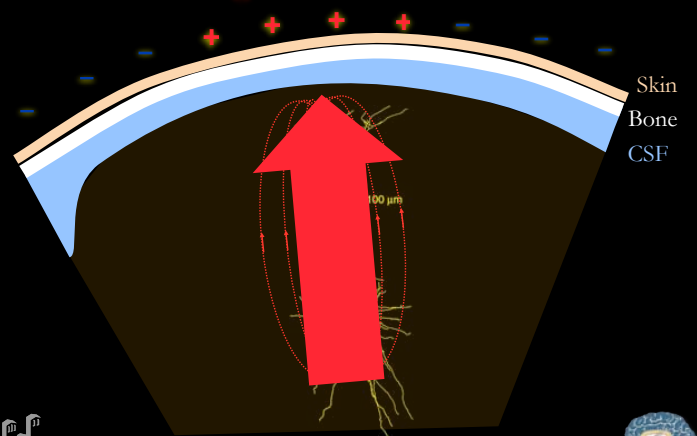
Logothetis results



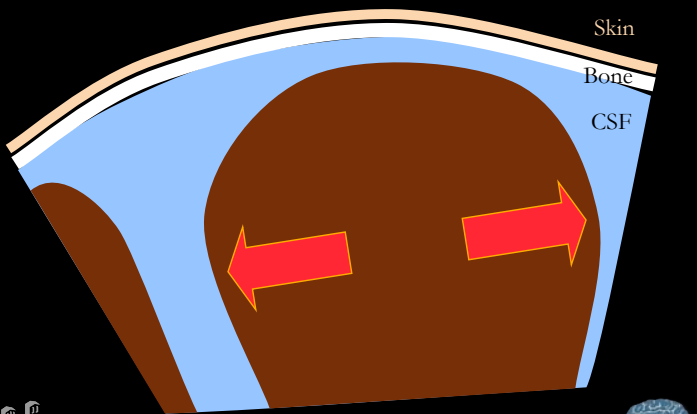
Types of Neurons



Presumed Origin of the EEG



Many Neurons are Not "Seen" by EEG

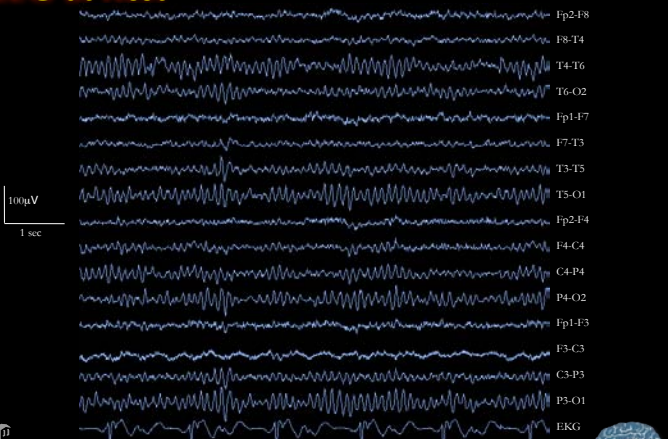


General Limitations in EEG Localization

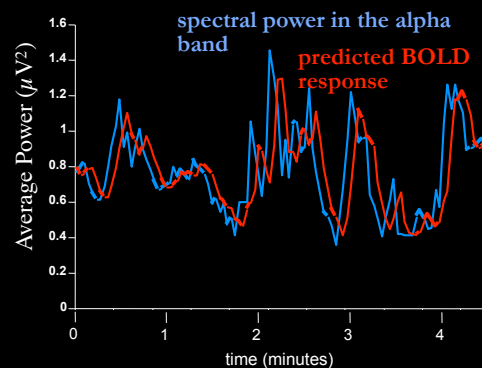
- Deeper Sources Show Weaker Signals
- Magnitude Depends on Dipole Orientation
- Magnitude Depends on Temporal Synchrony
- Magnitude Depends on Spatial Coherence
- Conductivity of Body Tissues (CSF, scalp) Blur the Scalp Potentials

→ **SITE = Simultaneous Imaging for Tomographic Electrophysiology**

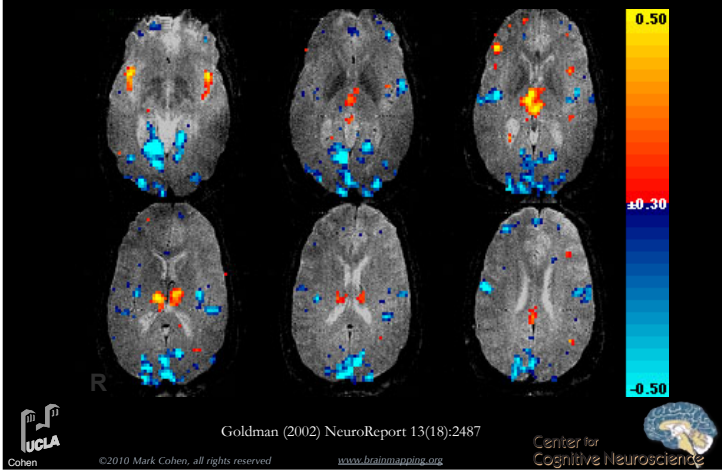
EEG at Rest



Alpha Mapping



SITE of Resting Alpha



EEG-fMRI Issues

- Scalp Potentials are Proportional to the **Derivative** of the Voltage, whereas fMRI is Proportional to the **Integral** of the Firing
- The Action Potential, *per se*, Is Probably **Invisible** to BOLD
- The Rhythmic Structures in the EEG May Depend More on **Synchronous** Firing than on **High Firing Rate**
- The BOLD Signal is Likely Associated with the *Post-Synaptic* Neurons



MR-Lucent Neurophysiology

Energetic Demands(BOLD, ASL)
Transmitter Synthesis, Exocytosis, Metabolism
Na⁺/K⁺ Pump

[Na⁺]*Imaging*

Glucose Metabolism*Spectroscopy*

Extracellular Currents (?)*Phase Disturbance*

Anisotropic Diffusion*DTI, etc...*

Neural Constituents (NAA)*Spectroscopy*



Thanks.



The Neural Membrane

Observed Capacitance: $1 \mu\text{F}/\text{cm}^2$

Since:
$$C \approx \frac{1.1k}{4\pi d \times 10^{-12}}$$

If k (the dielectric constant) is about 6,
 then $d \approx 5 \times 10^{-7} \text{cm} = 50 \text{ \AA}$.

If P.D. ≈ 0.1 Volt, then the E field is
 $2 \times 10^7 \text{ V/m}$!



Anatomy of a single neuron

