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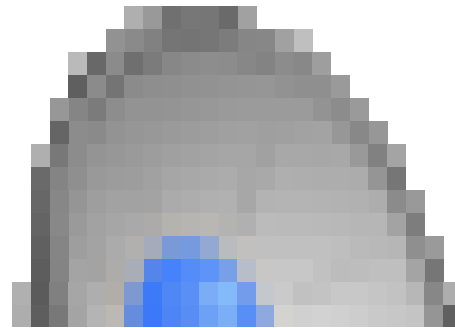
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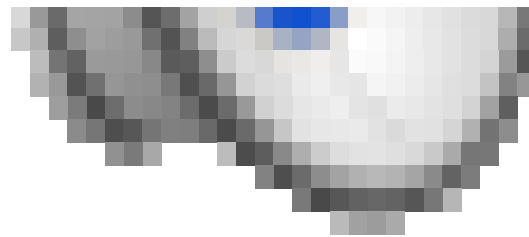
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High
vision



How can humans do this?



Lower
reflex

fragile



Tradeoffs

robust

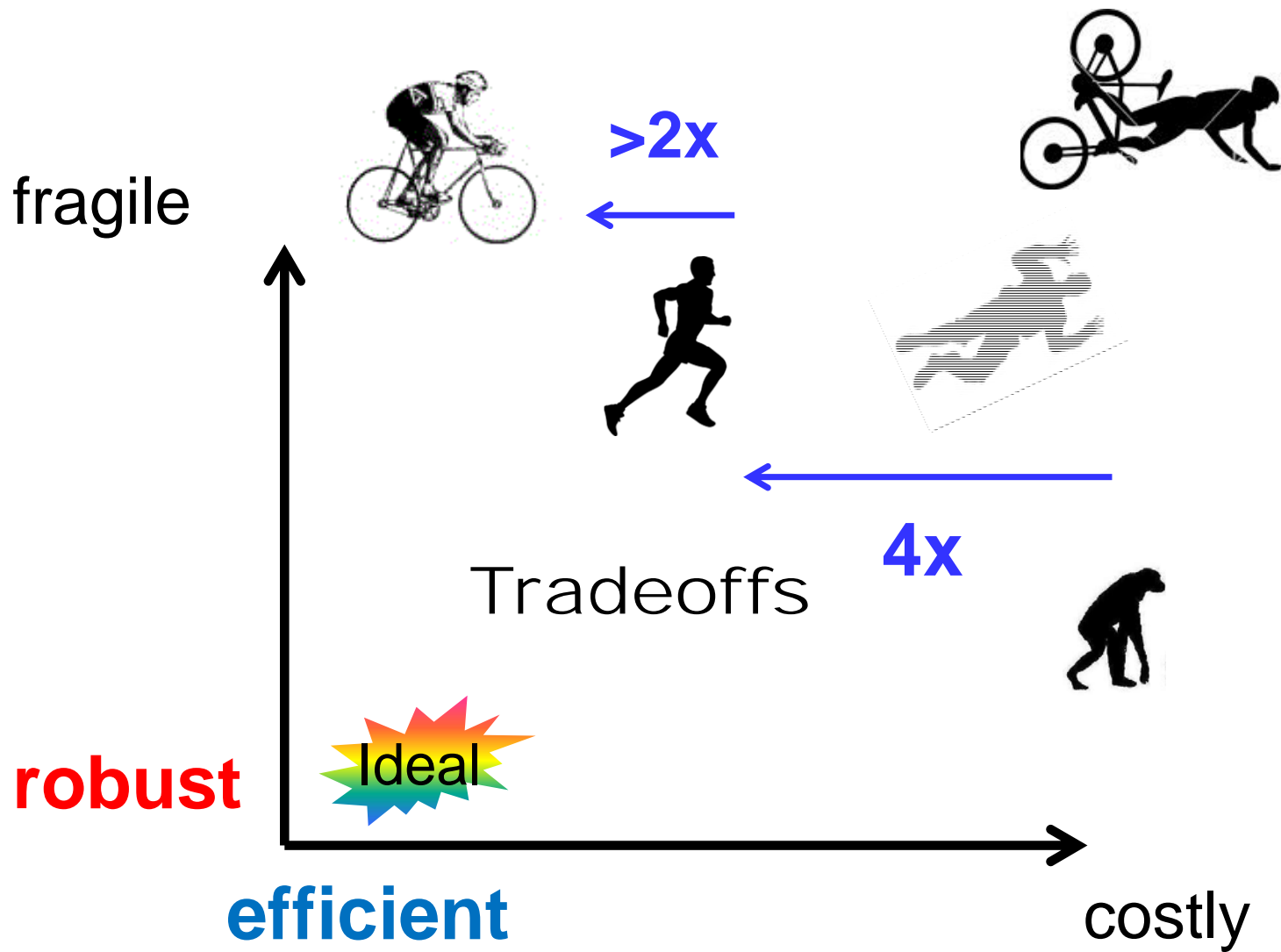


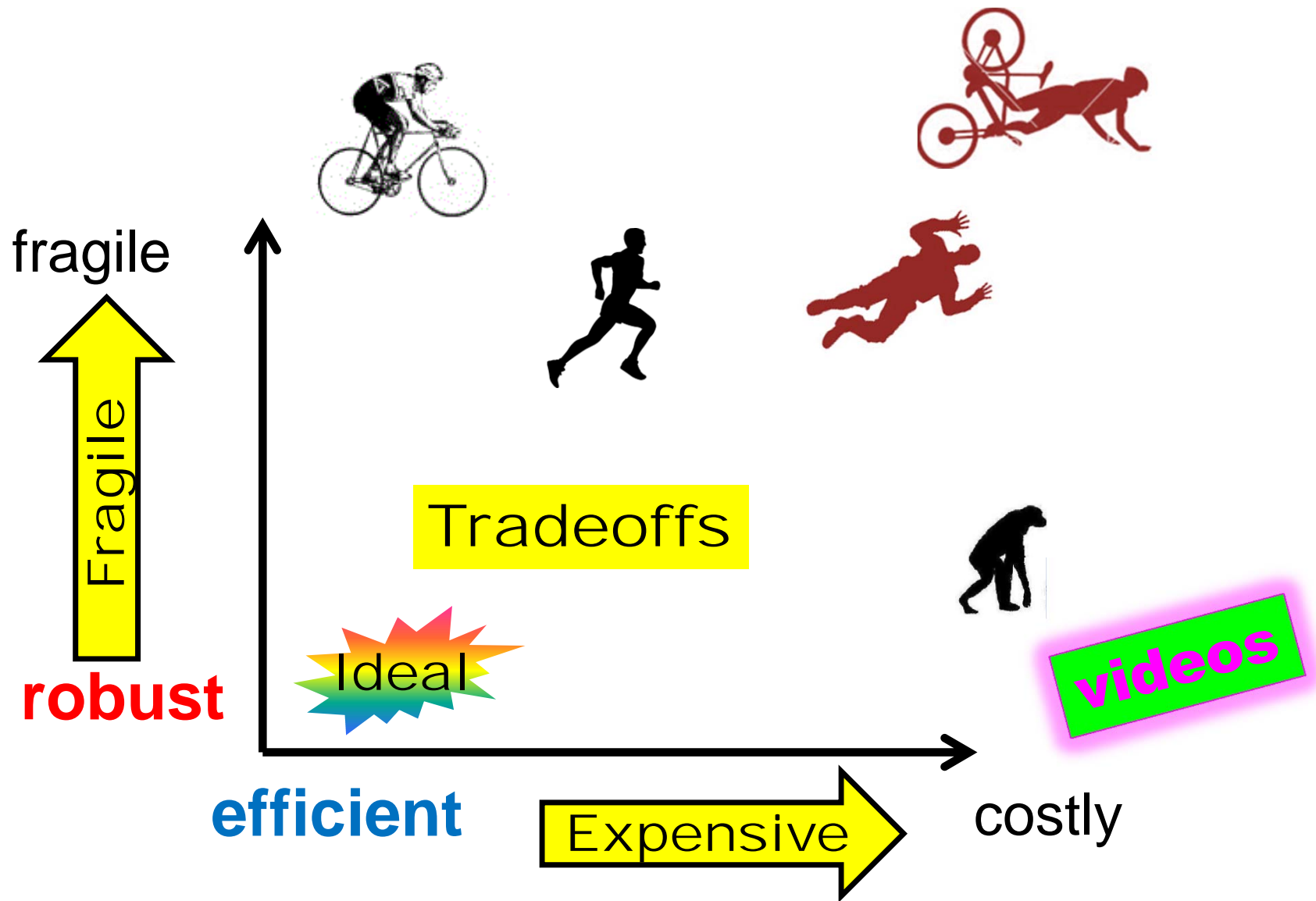
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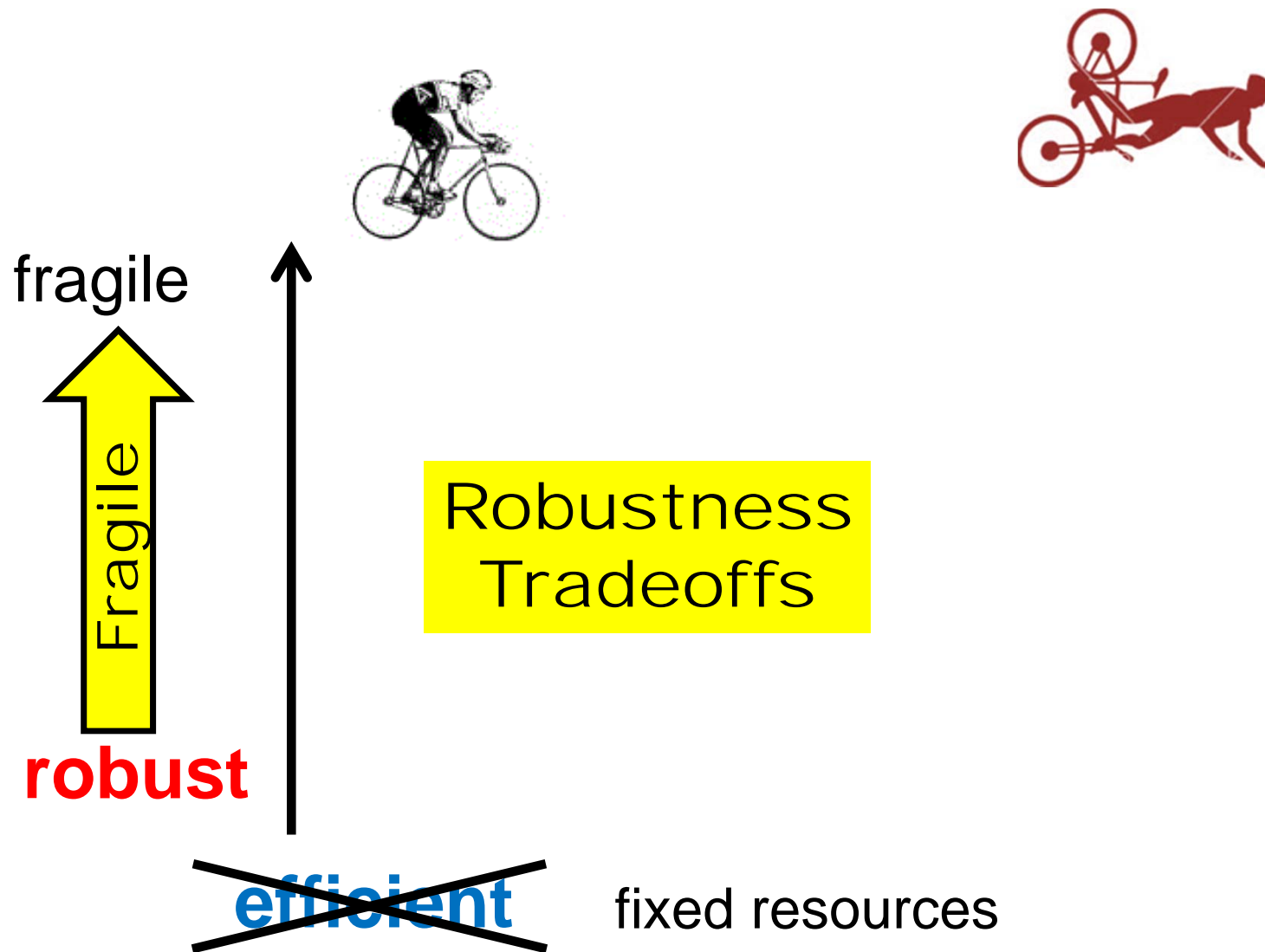
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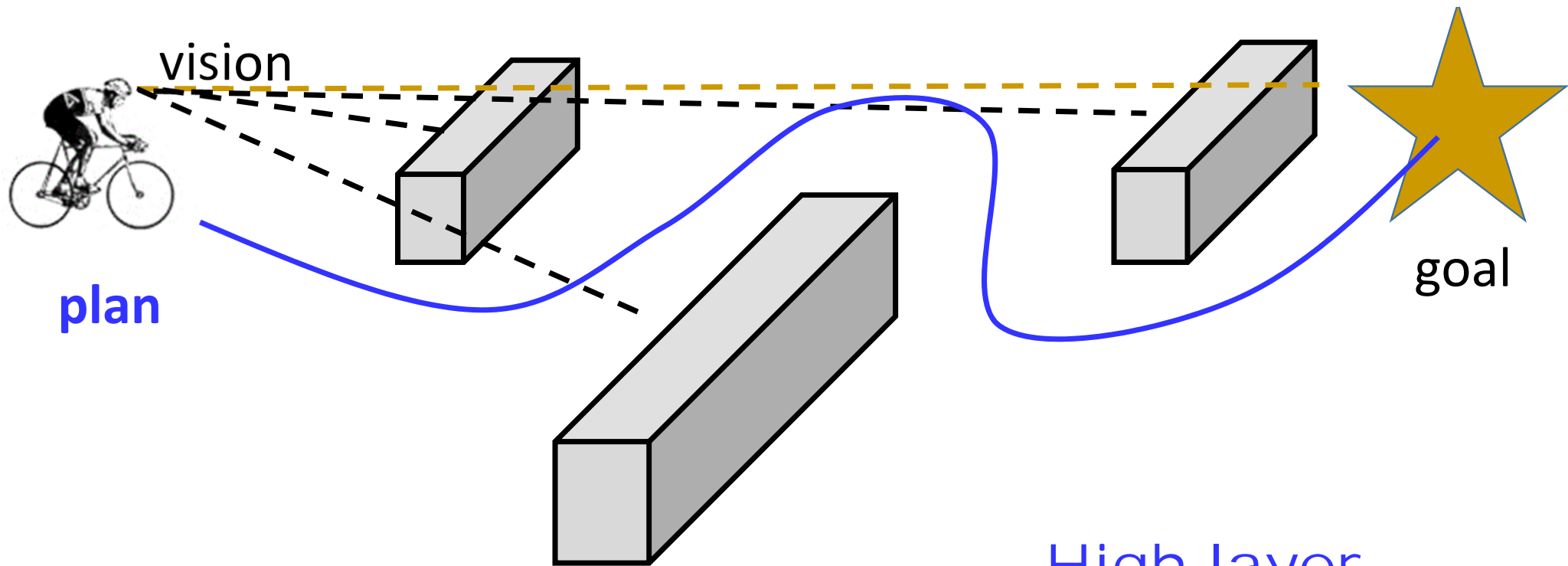


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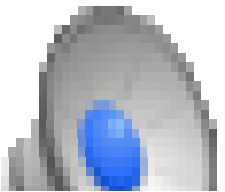
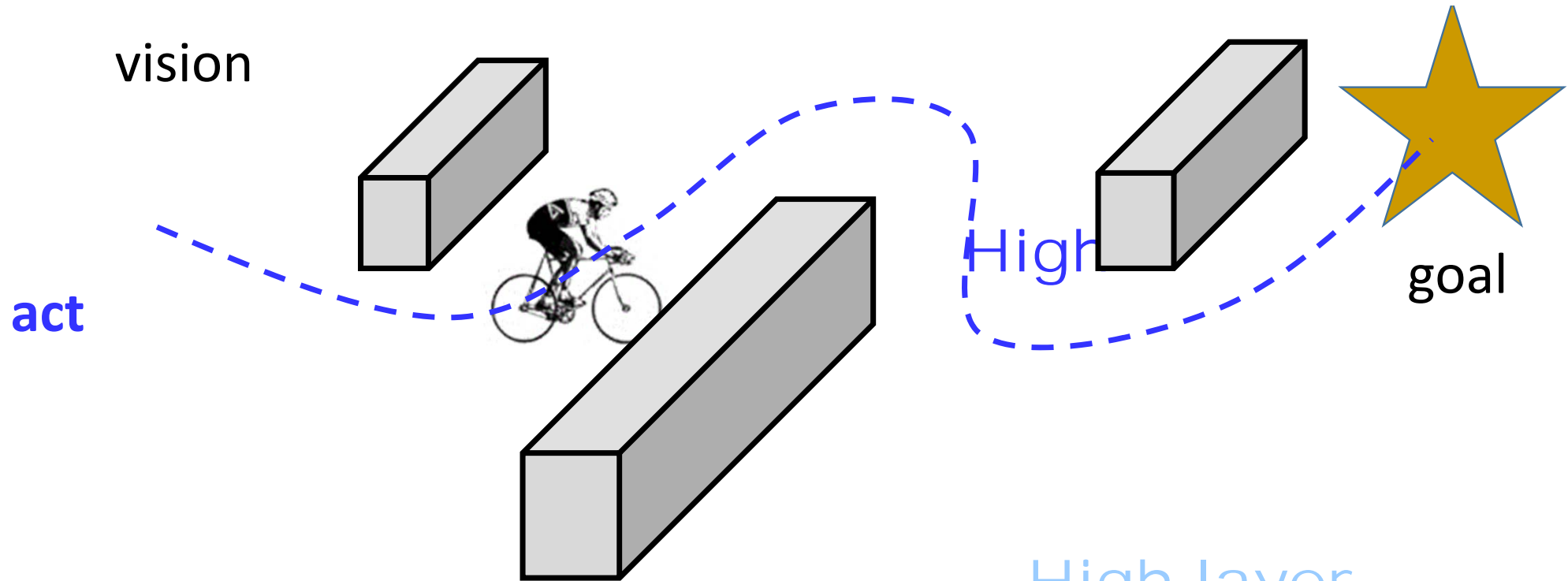




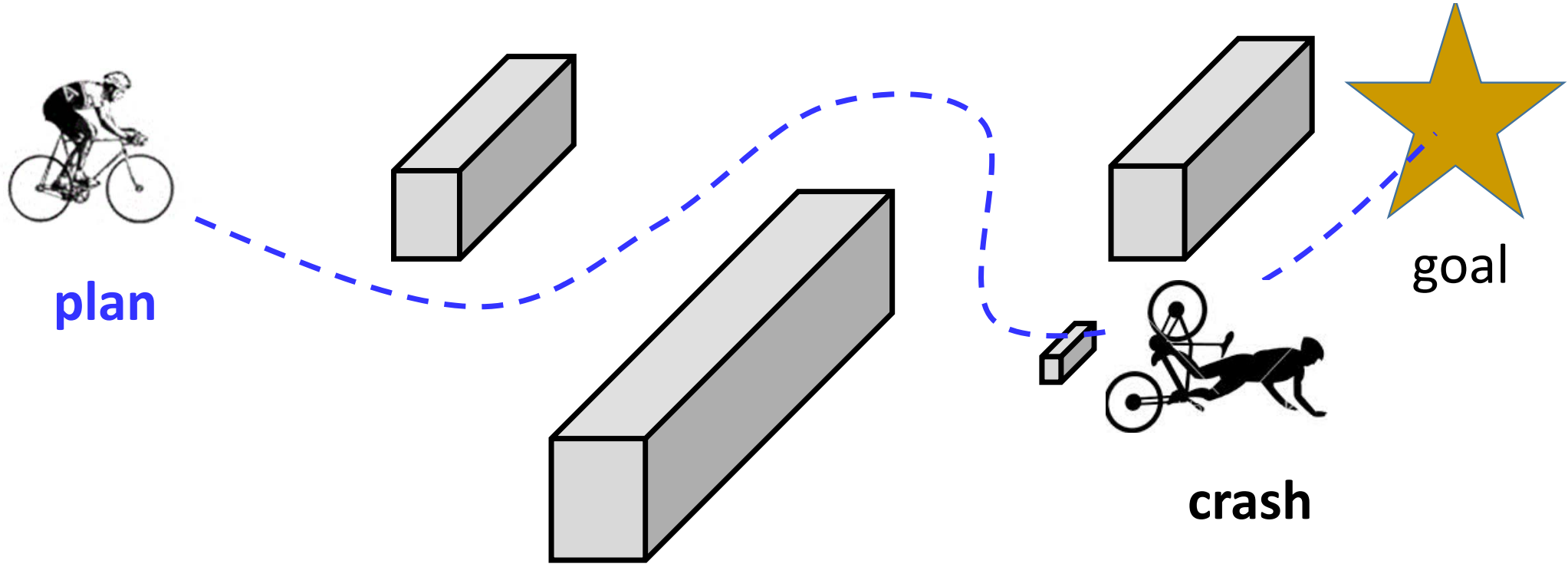


High layer
advanced warning
planning
large disturbance

Also tool use



High layer
advanced warning
planning
large disturbance
small error



Lower



~~vision~~

~~plan~~

avoiding a crash



Lower layer
delayed
reflexes
small disturbance
large error



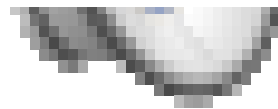
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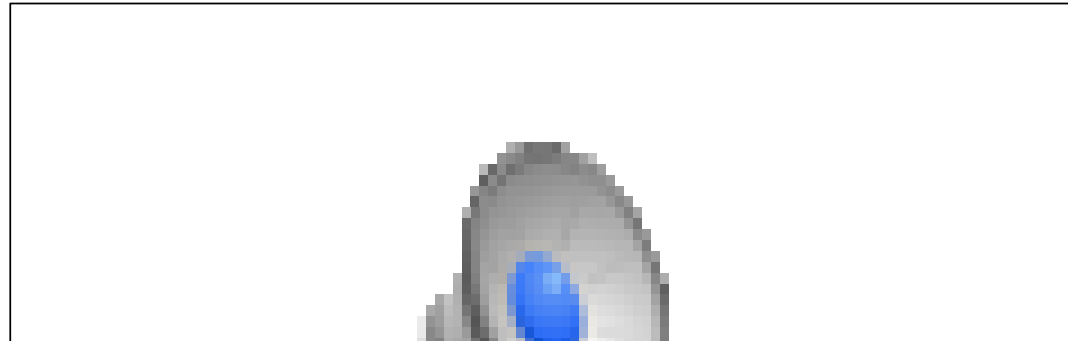


Speed vs Accuracy

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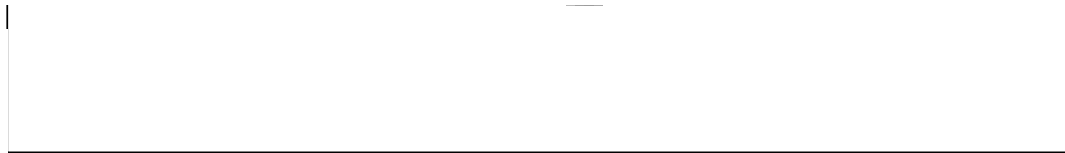
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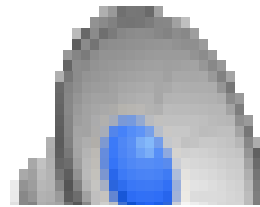


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Extreme diversity

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Extreme *opposites*

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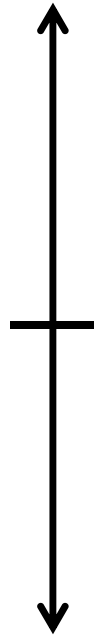


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large error

fragile

$$\log(\textit{gain}) =$$

$$\log\left(\frac{\textit{error}}{\textit{dist}}\right)$$



robust

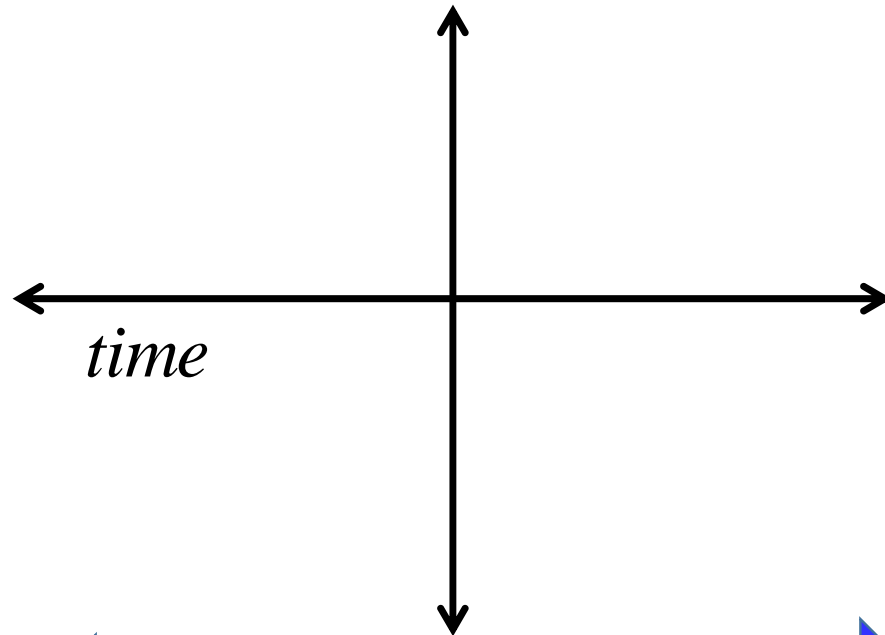


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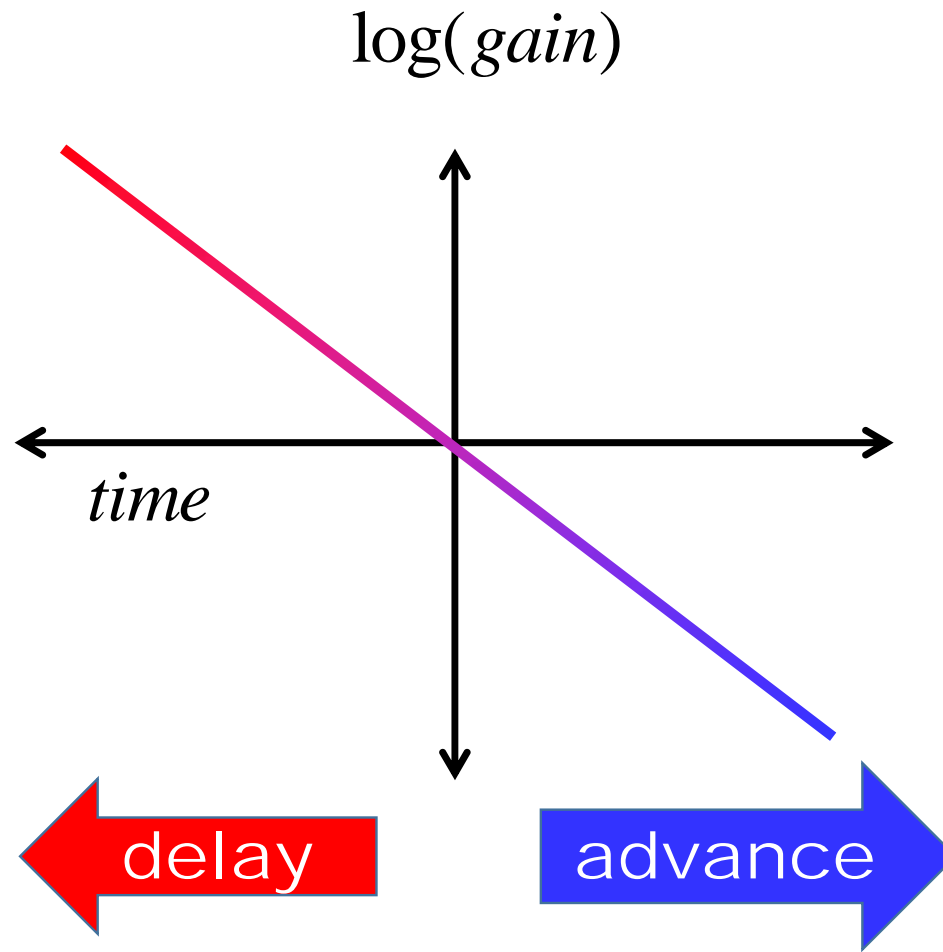
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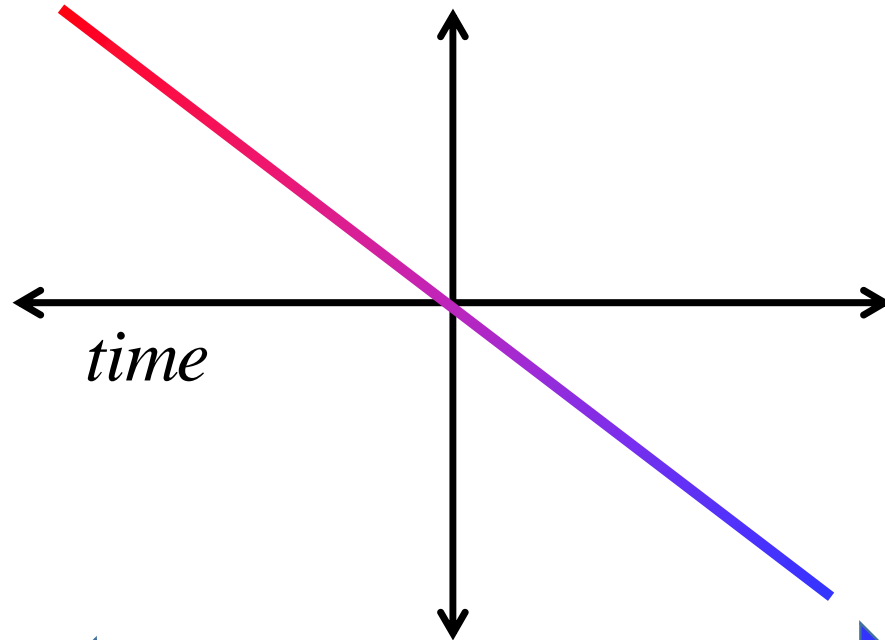
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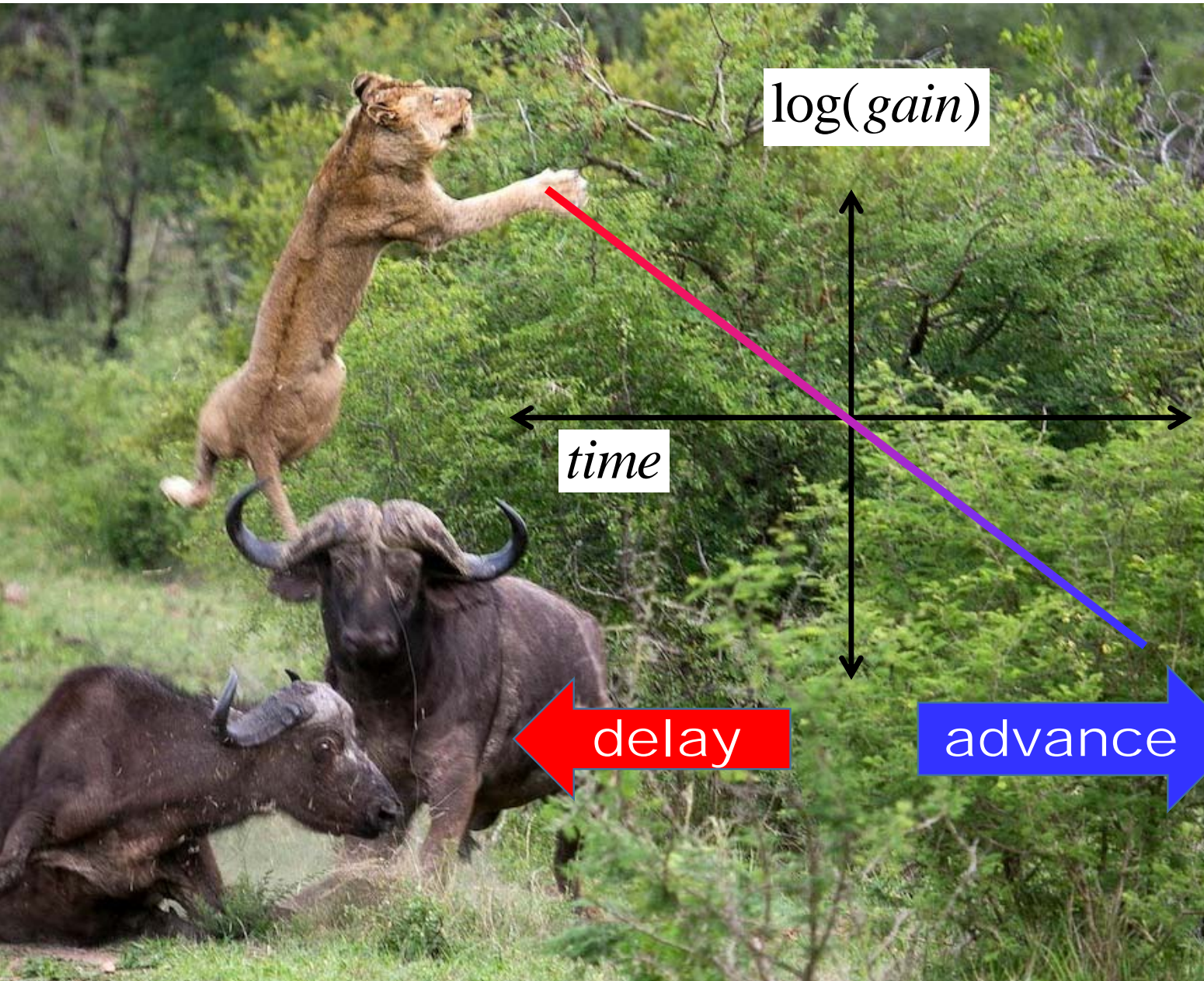


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robust

→ 0





robust
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Low
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Needs

High
bandwidth

What the network
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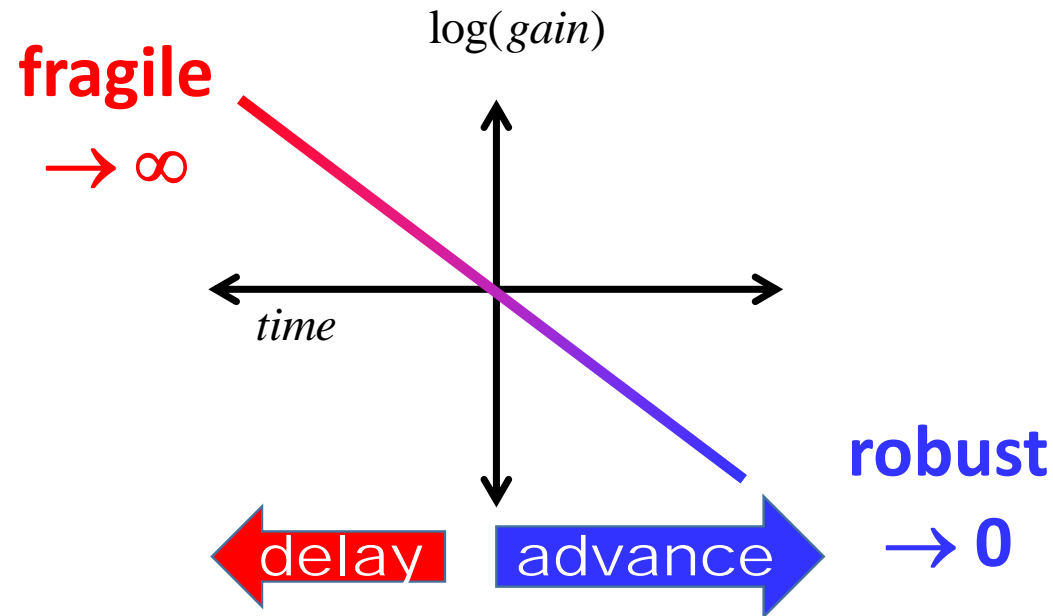
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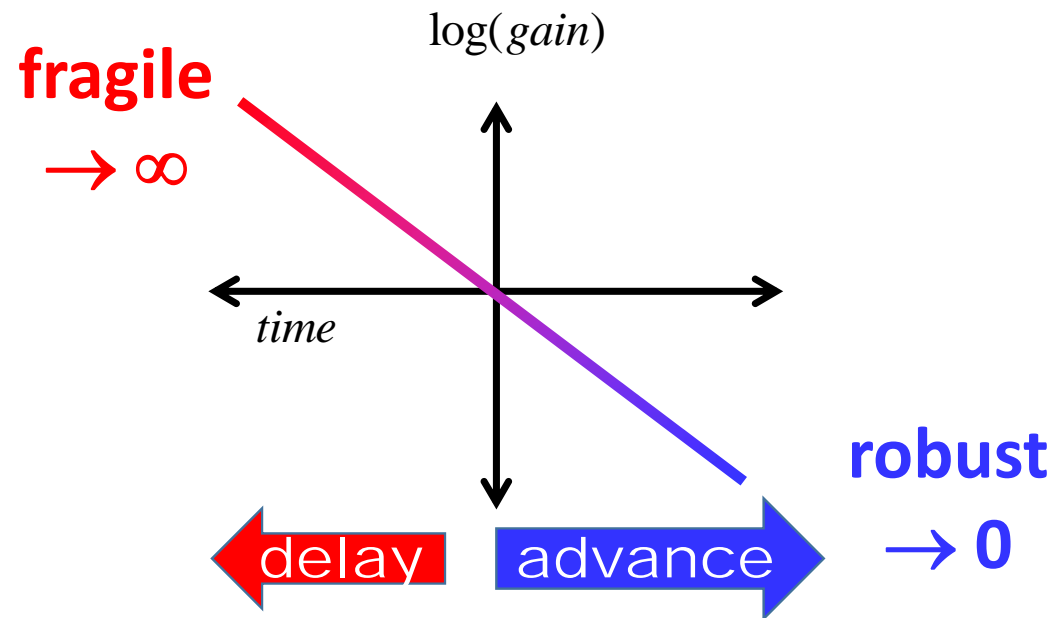


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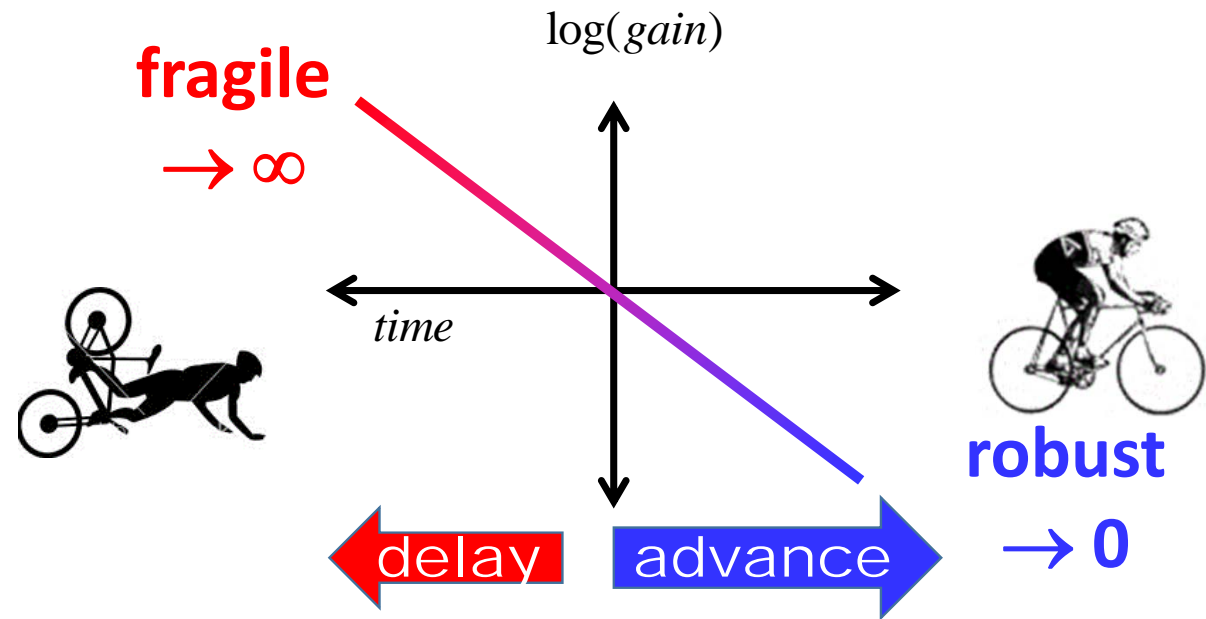
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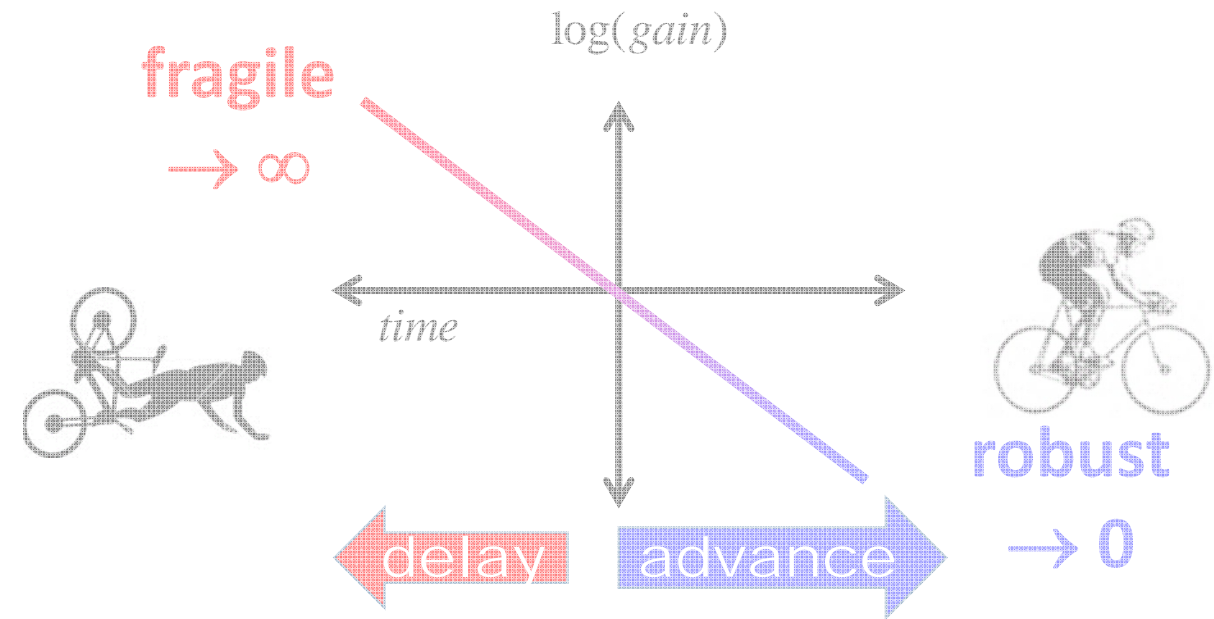
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Simple and Familiar models, Easy proofs, and Modular (scalable, extendable)

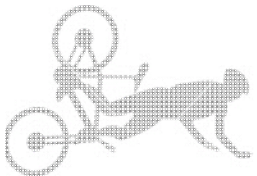
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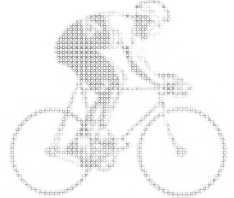
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$\log(\text{gain})$

time



robust

advance

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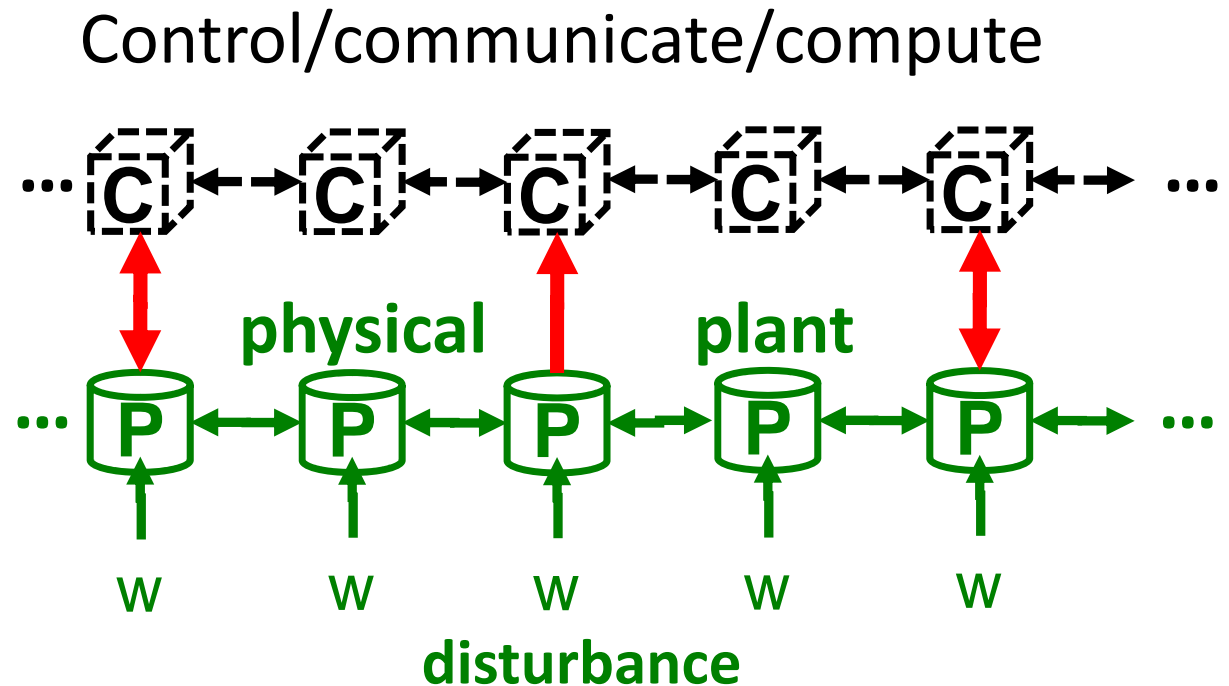
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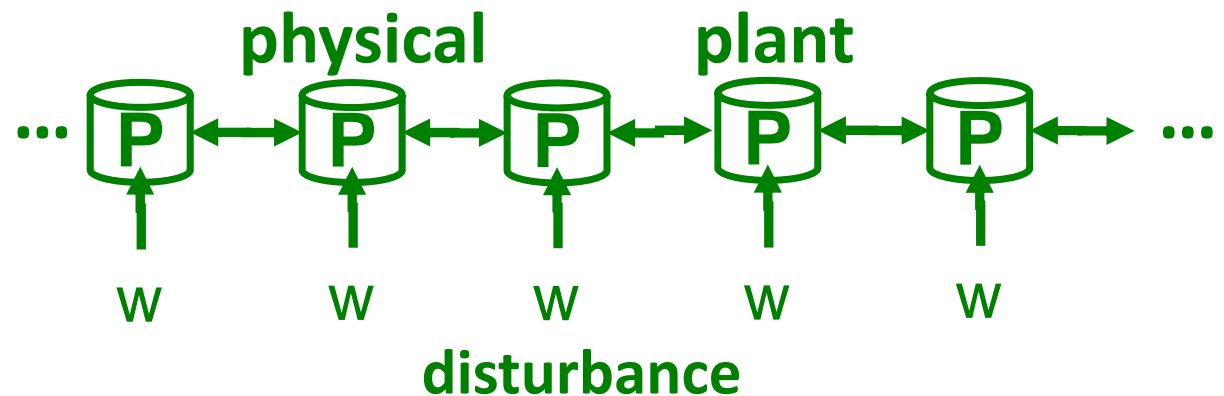
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- Communications
 - delay, sparse
 - quantized
- Actuation and sensing
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 - saturates
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- Dynamic plant
 - distributed, sparse
 - unstable
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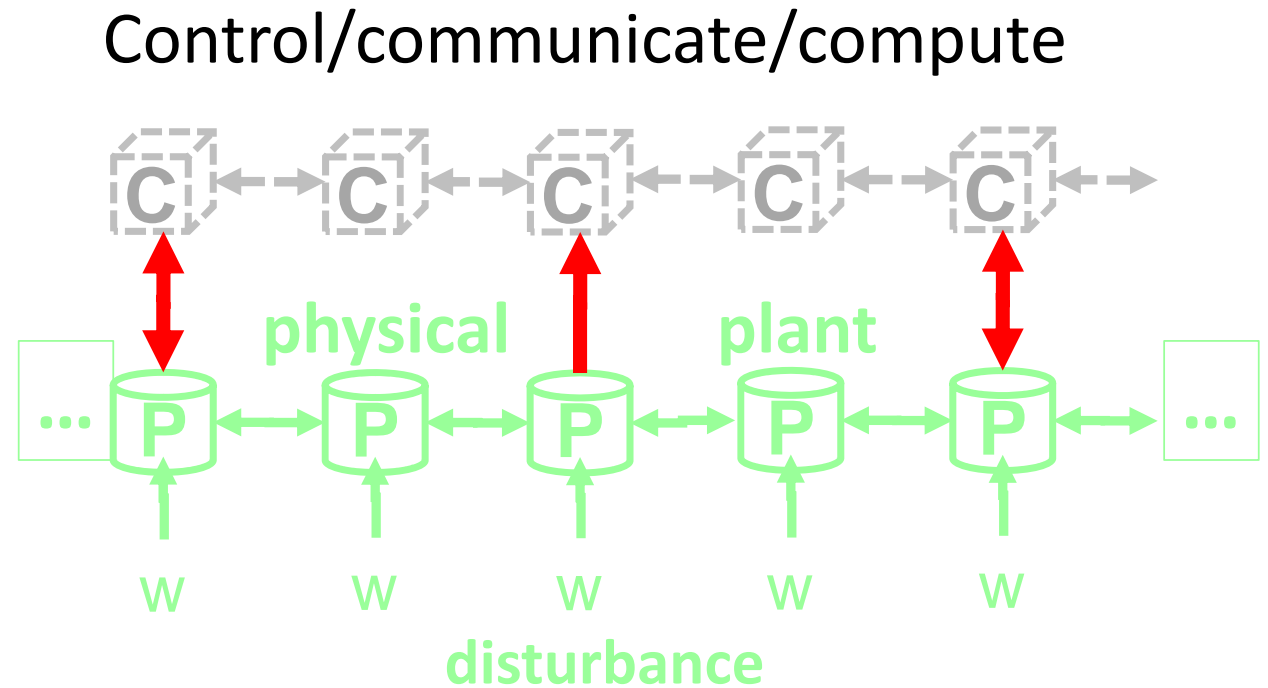
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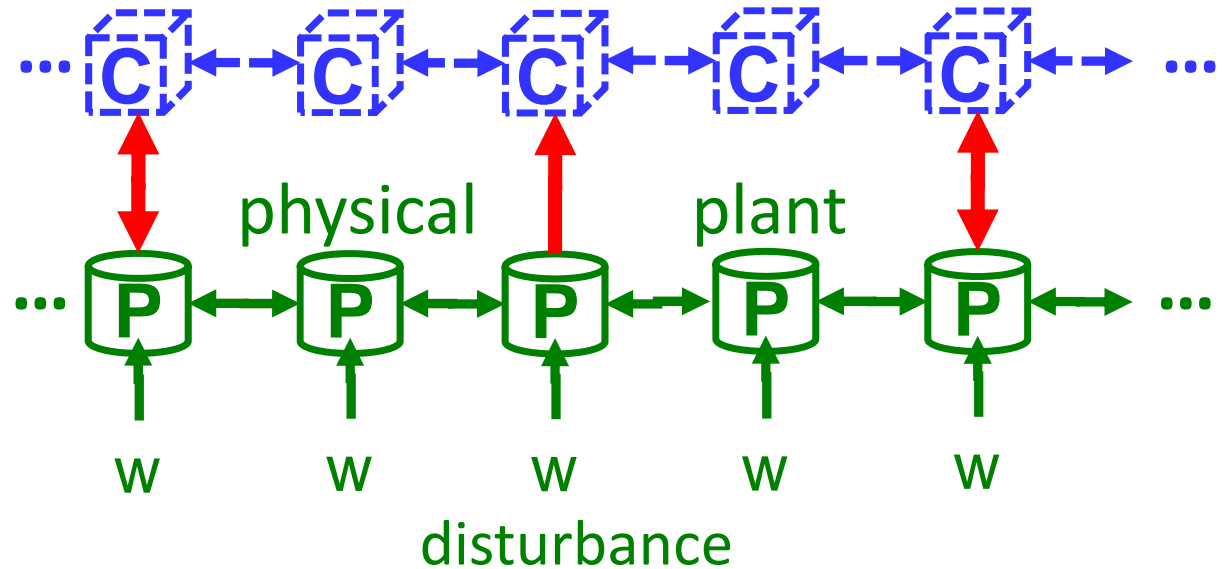
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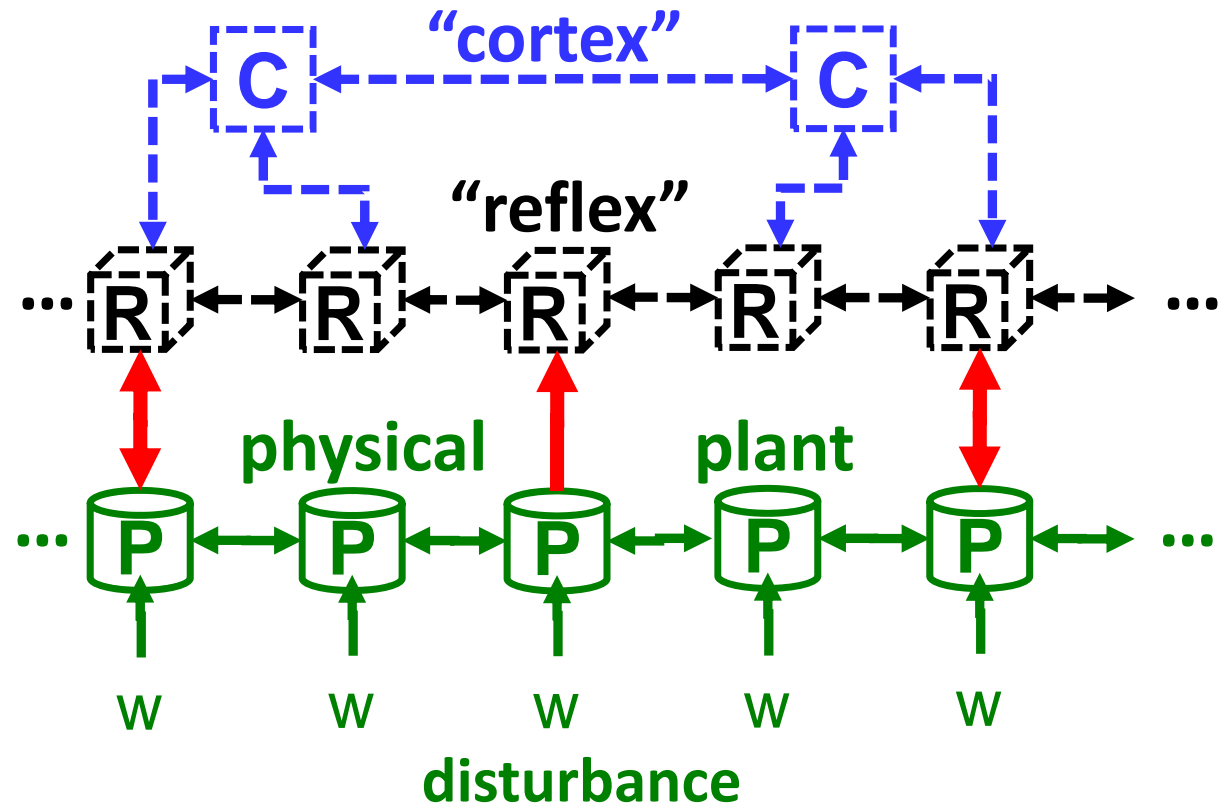
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Control/communicate/compute



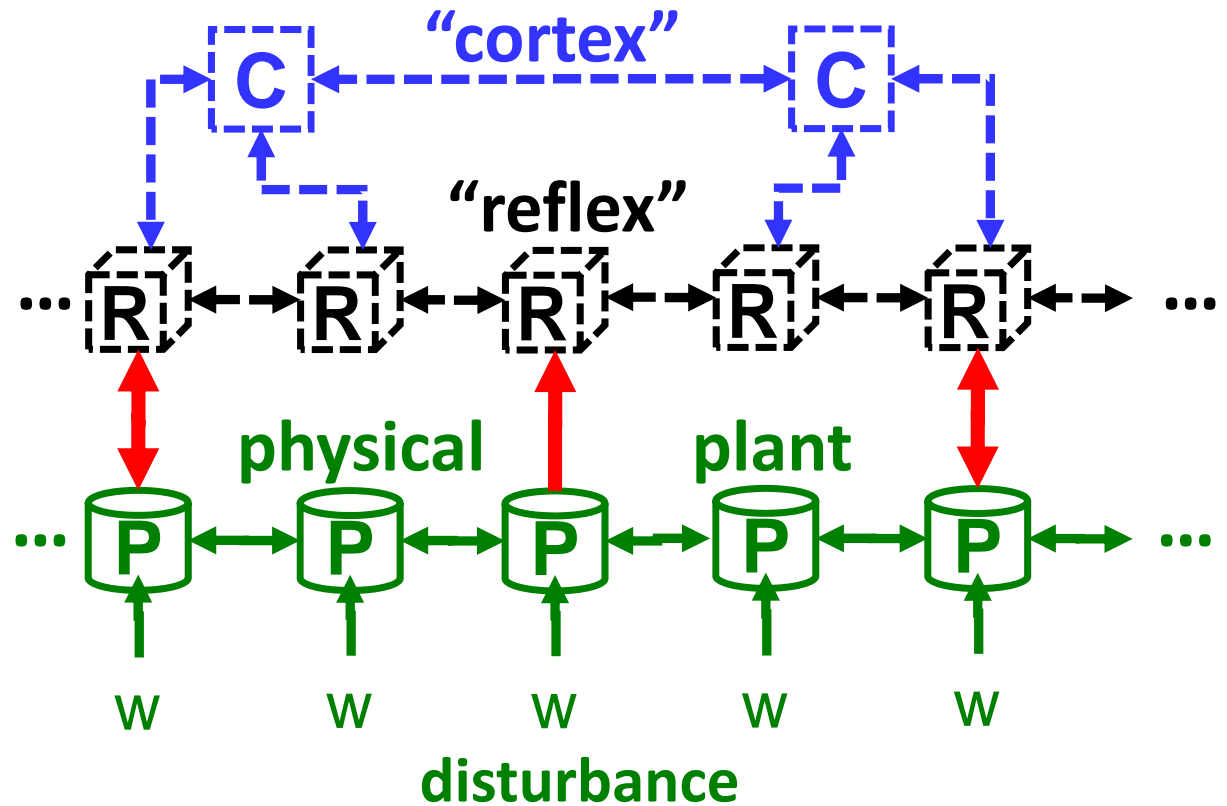
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Hurts or helps



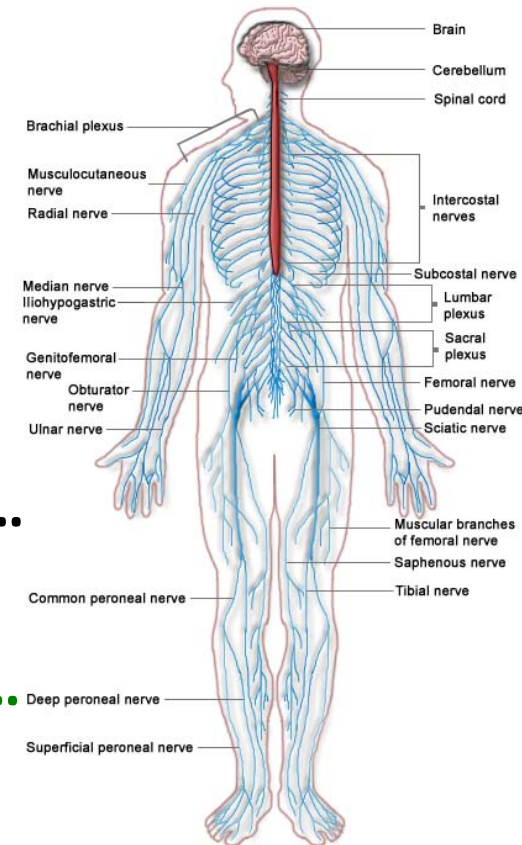
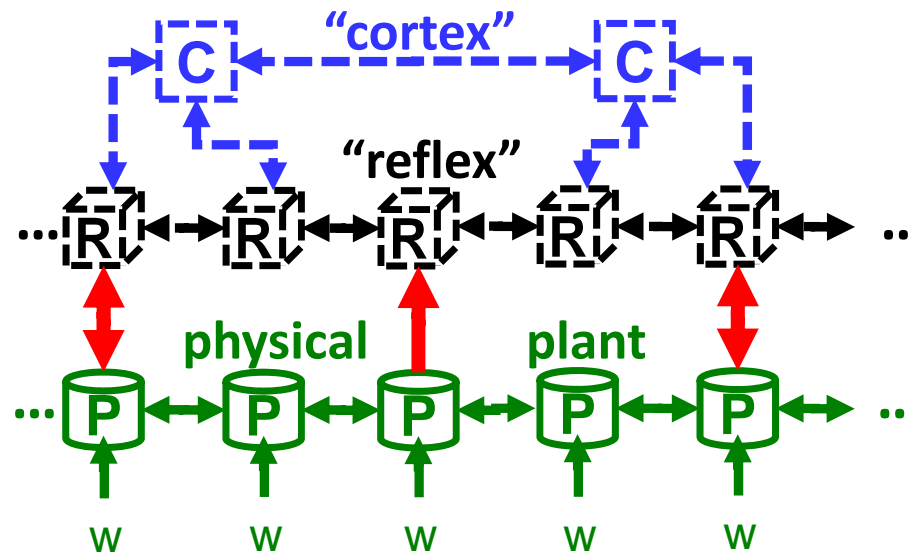
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Brains

- sensorimotor control
- maintain homeostasis

Case study

- complex
- informative
- live demos
- wide interest



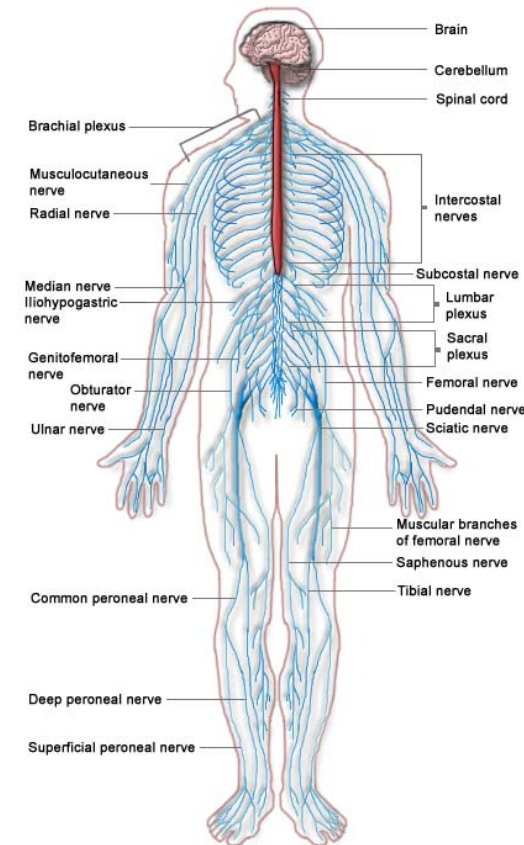
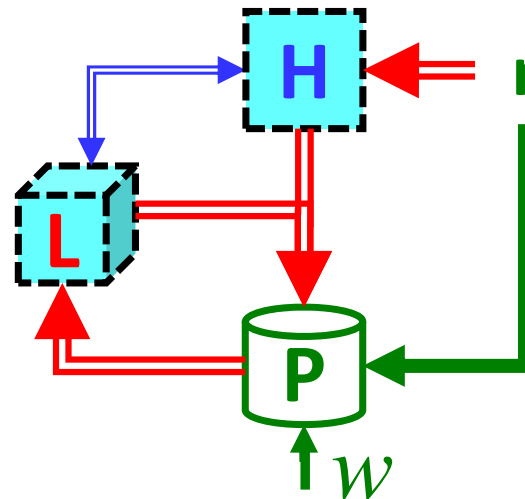
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Simple starting point

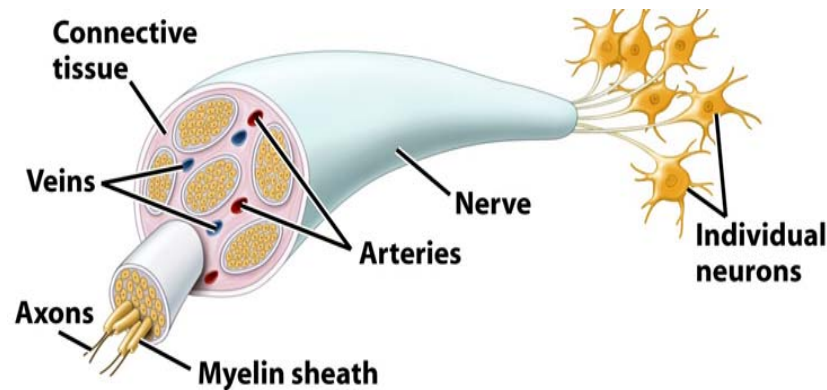
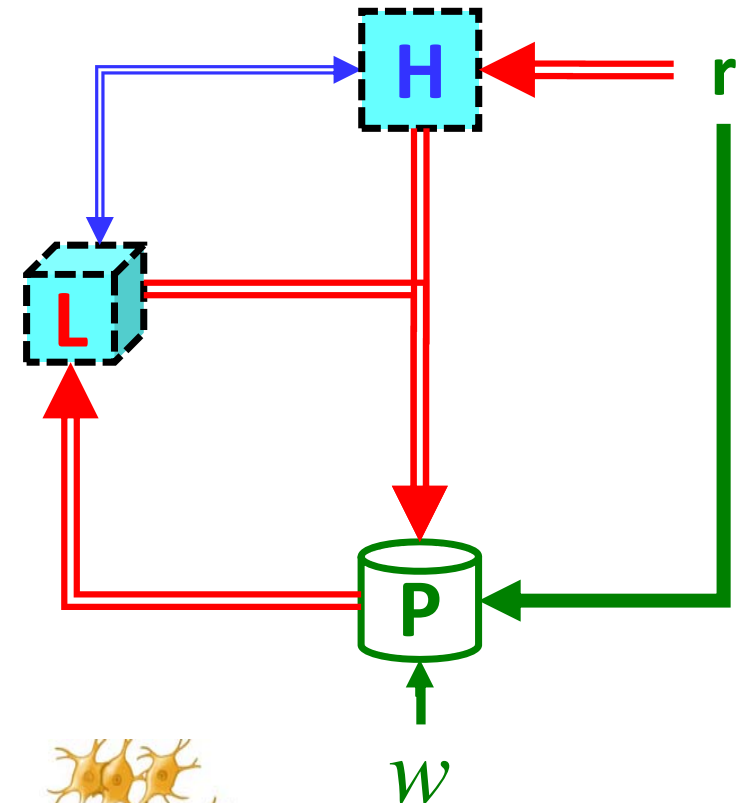
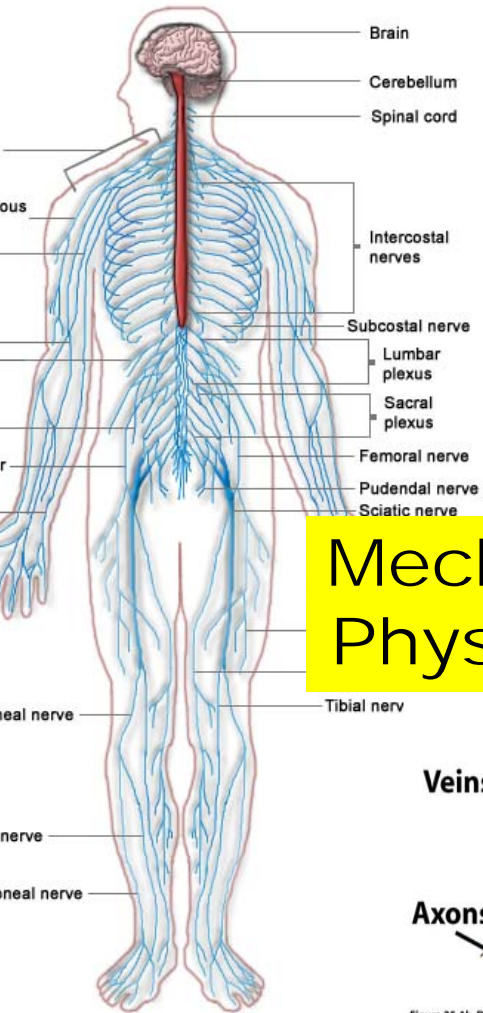


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Mechanistic Physiology?

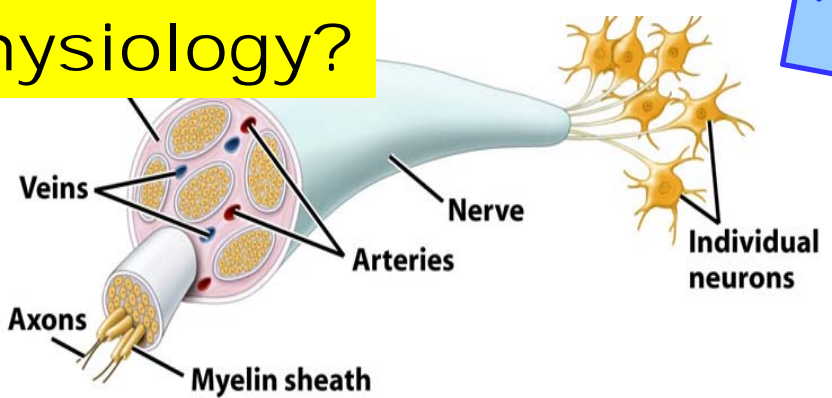
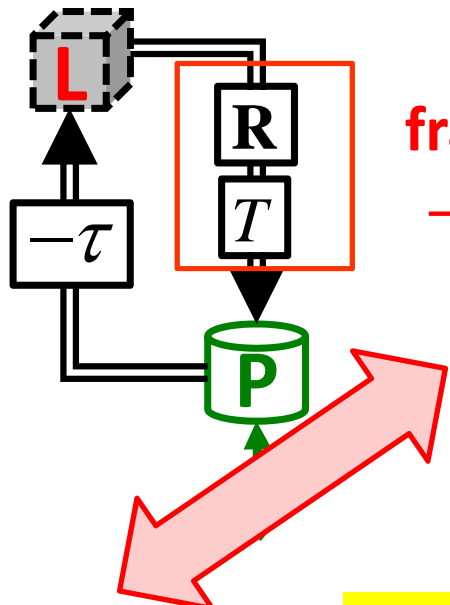
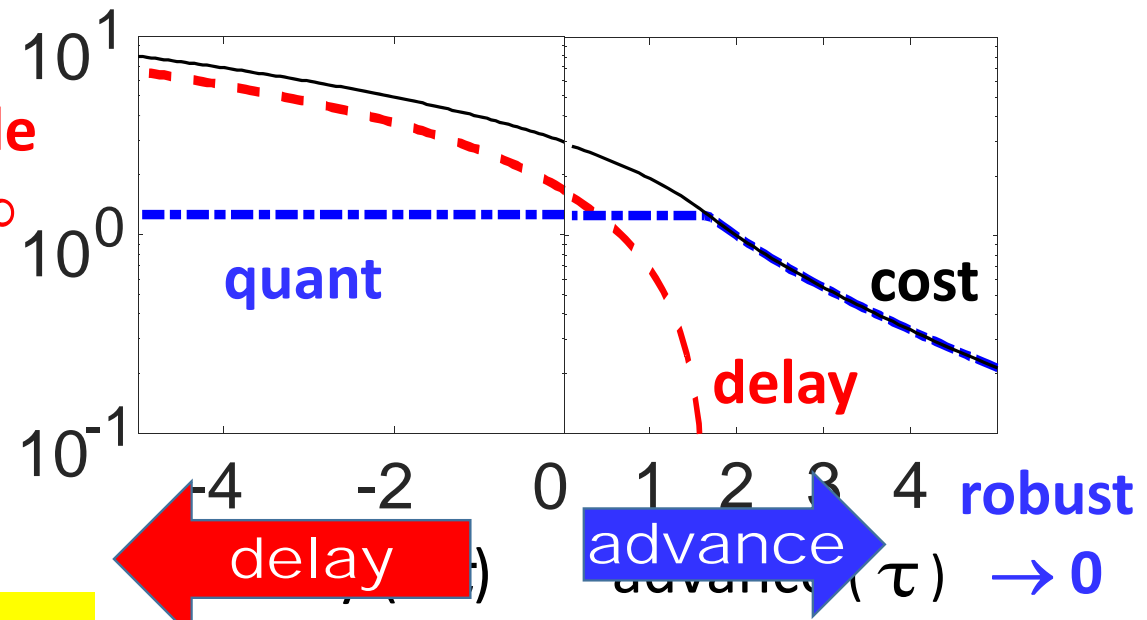


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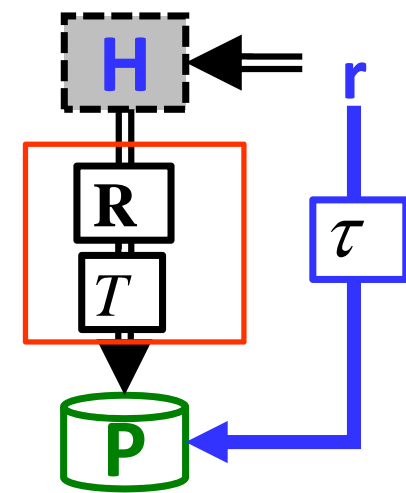


fragile
 $\rightarrow \infty$

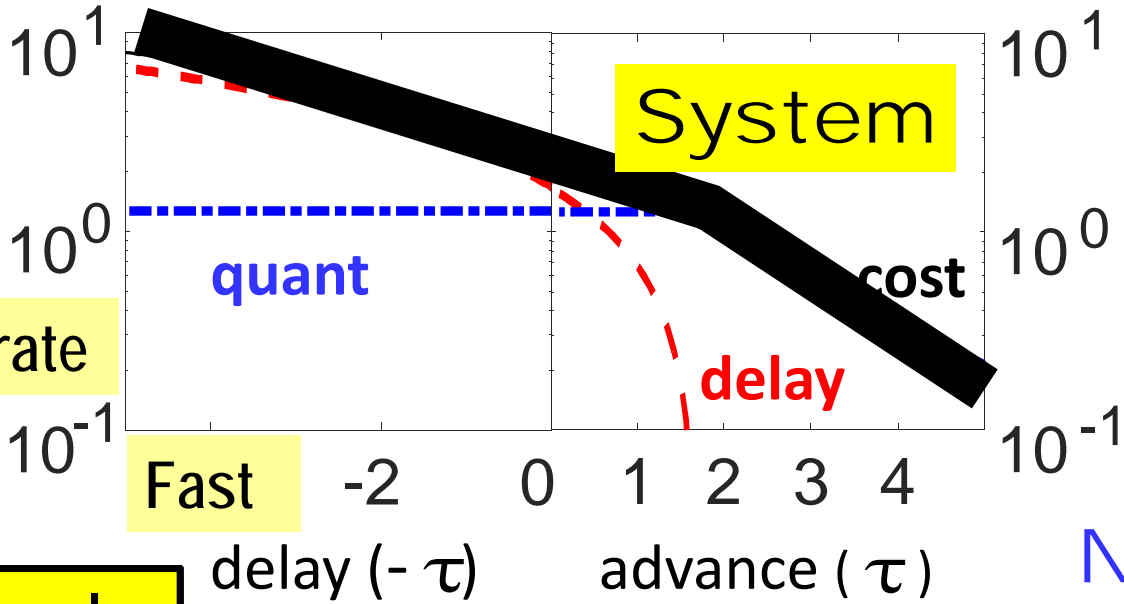
Theory



delay



Need speed



Low delay



Accurate

General tradeoff

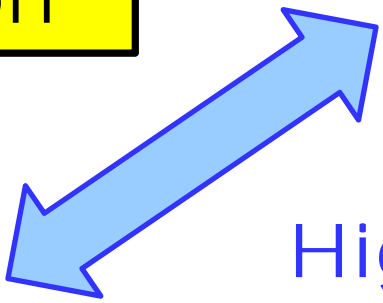
Hardware

Log (1/R)

Accurate

Fast

Log T



High Bandwidth

Need accuracy

Lower

delayed
reflexes
small disturbance
large error
need speed

unstable(real)
distributed
local



unconscious
automatic

Huge range of
nerve and axon

- lengths
- diameters

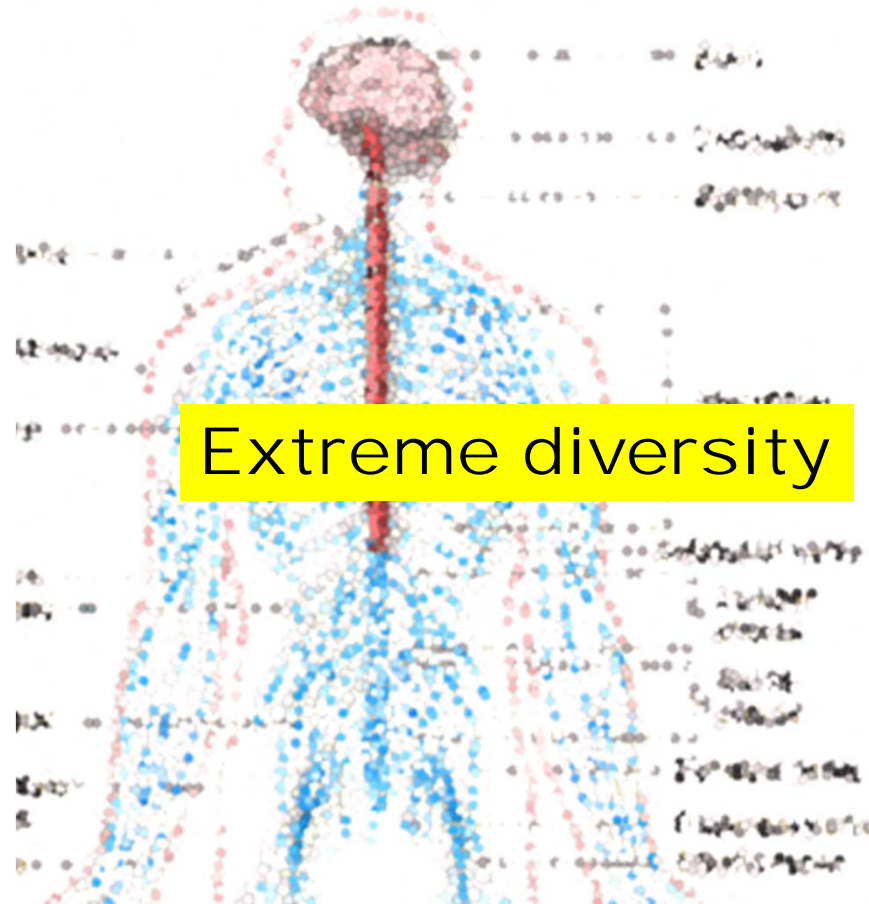
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advanced
planning
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stable(virtual)
centralized
global

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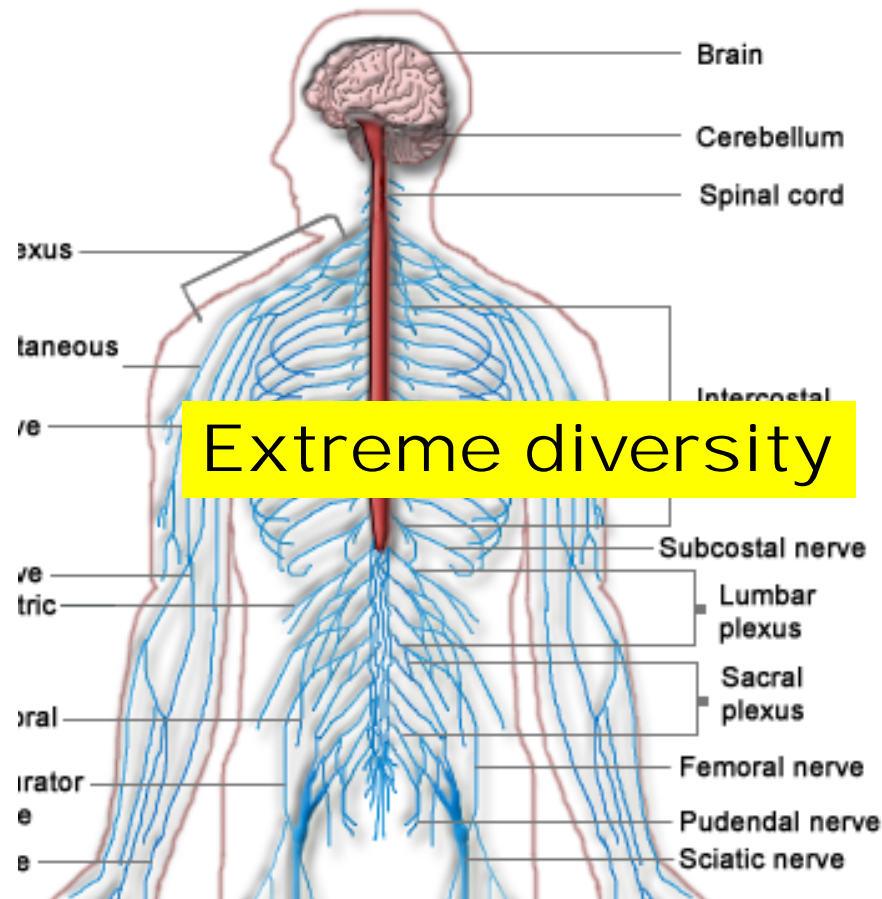
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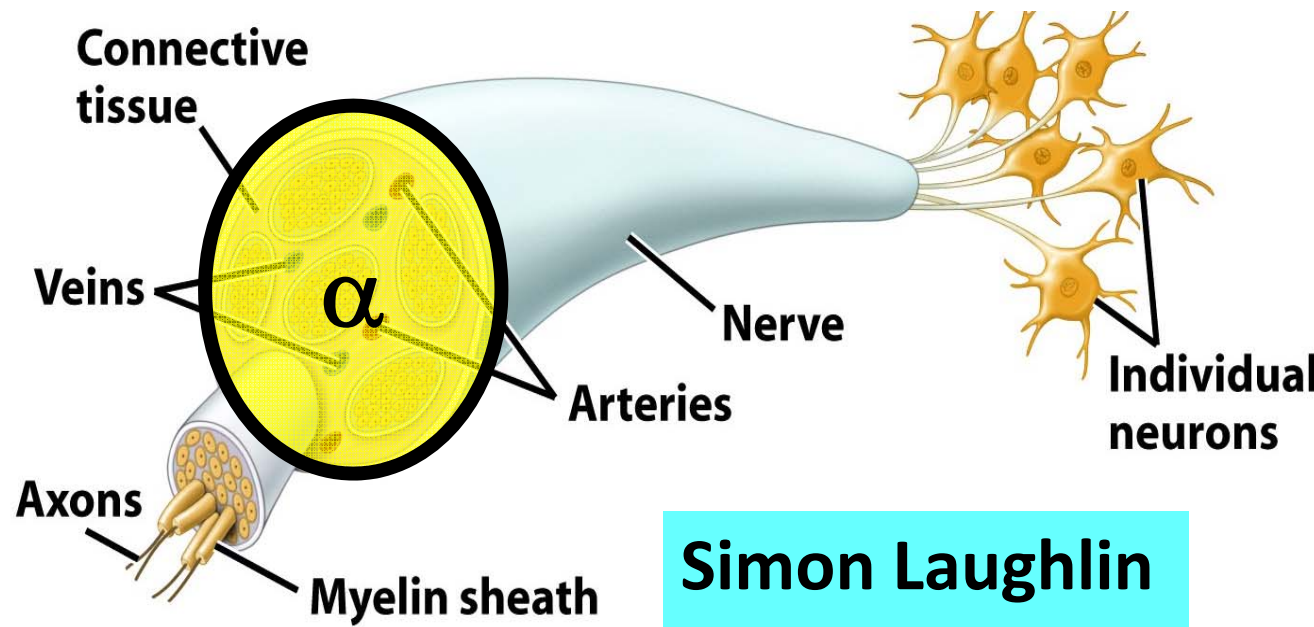
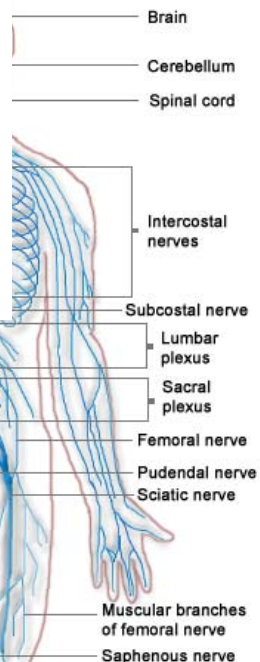
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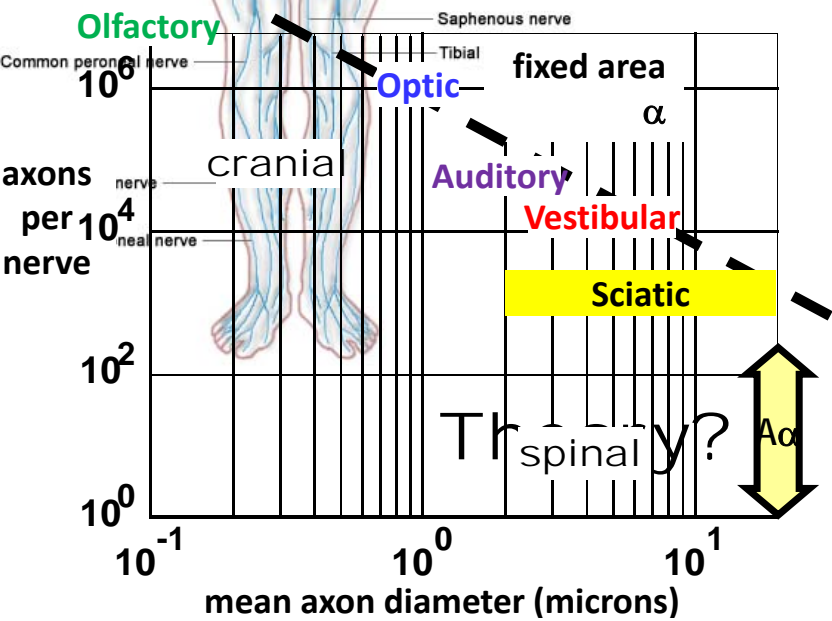
Speed vs Accuracy (Delay vs Bandwidth)

Assume lengths and areas are given



**Simon Laughlin
Terry Sejnowski**

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cost \propto area α
cost = resources to build and maintain

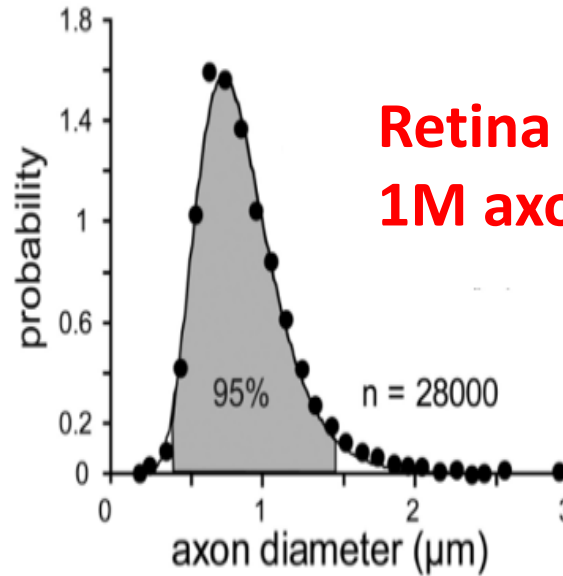
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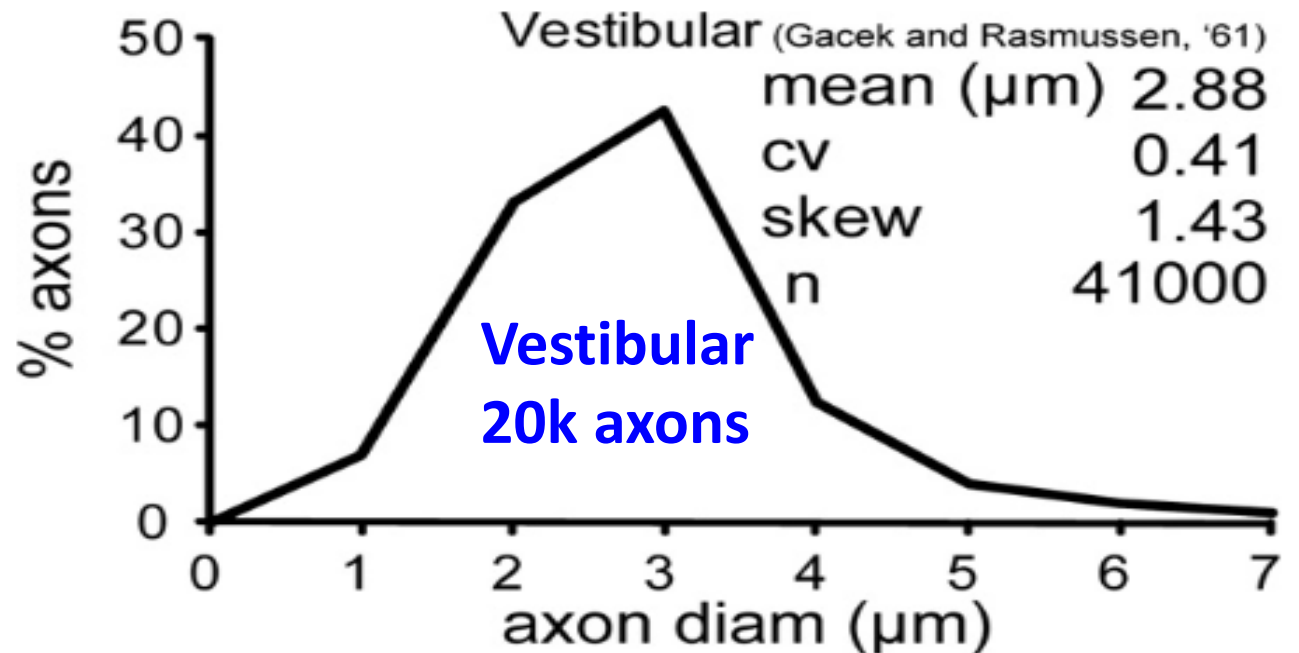
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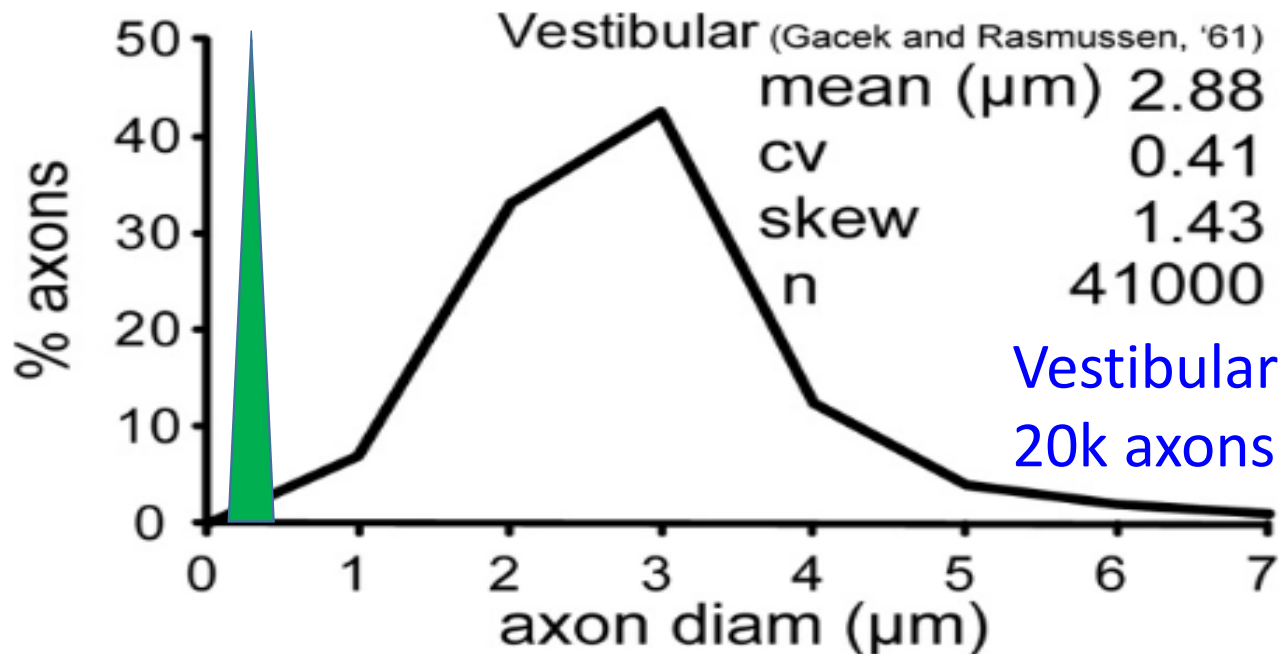
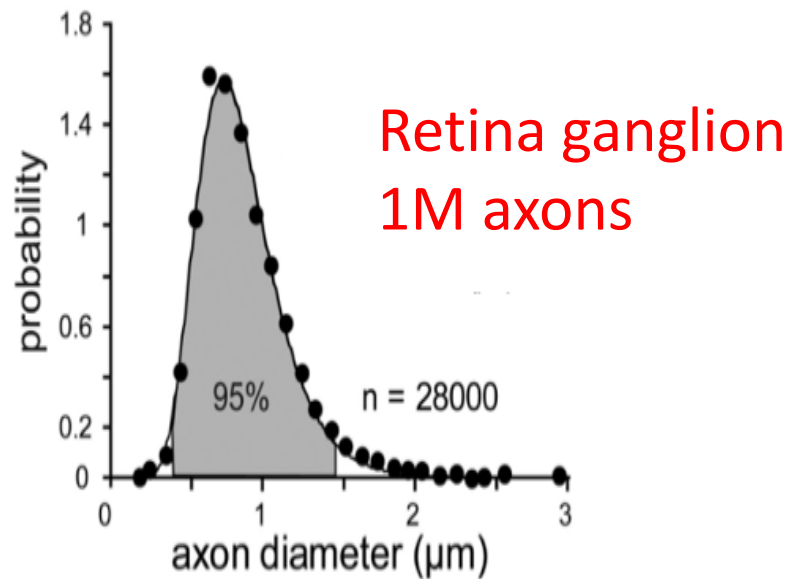


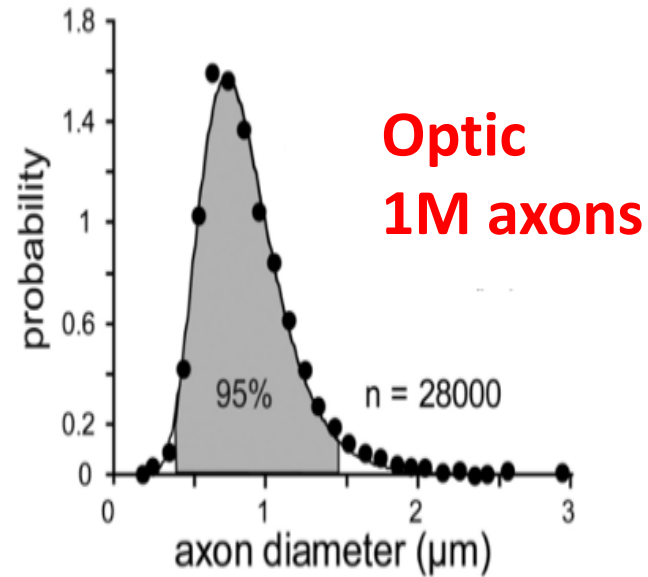
**Retina ganglion
1M axons**

Sterling and Laughlin



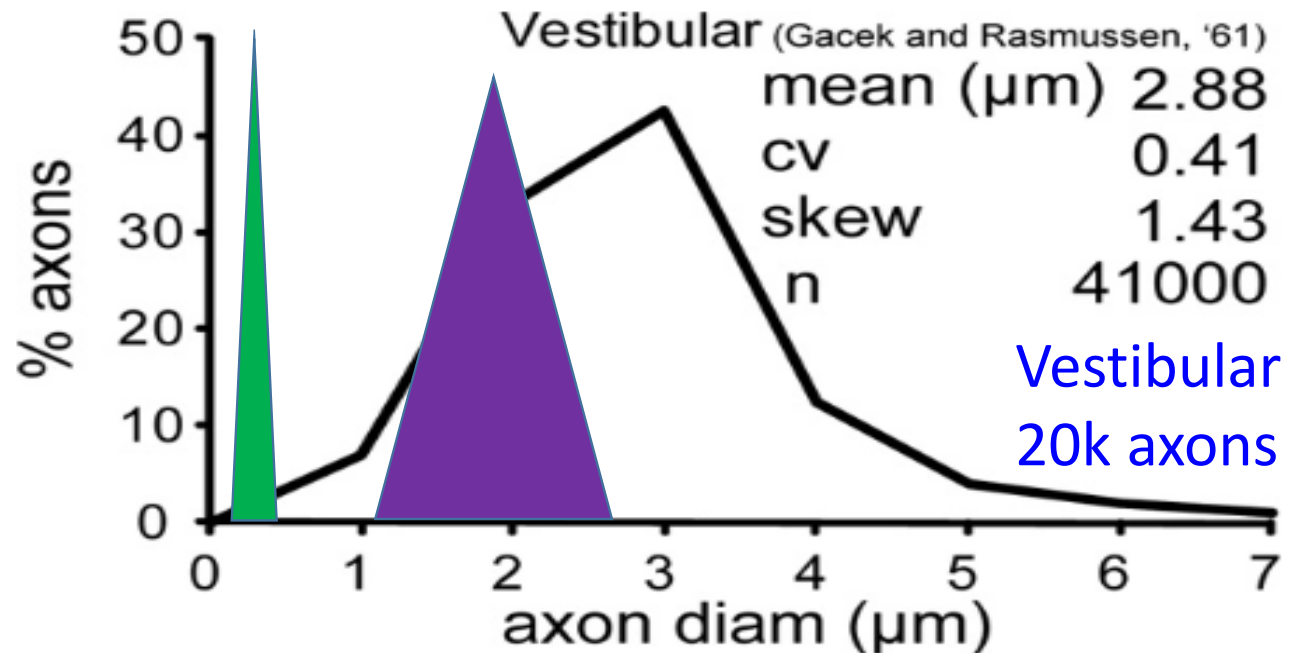
Olfactory
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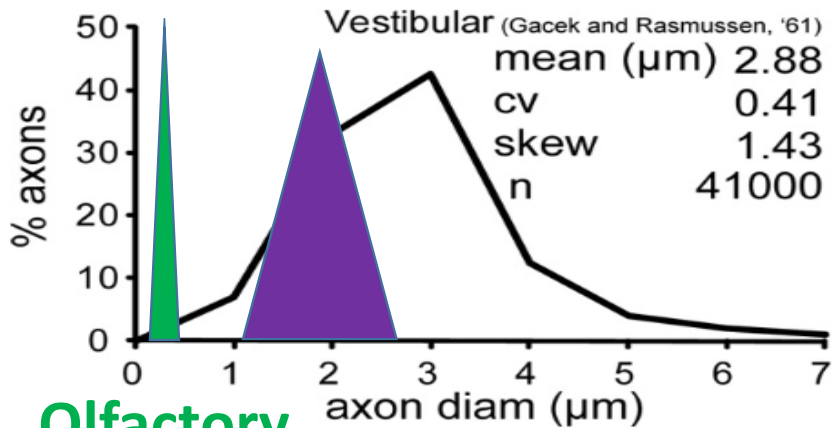
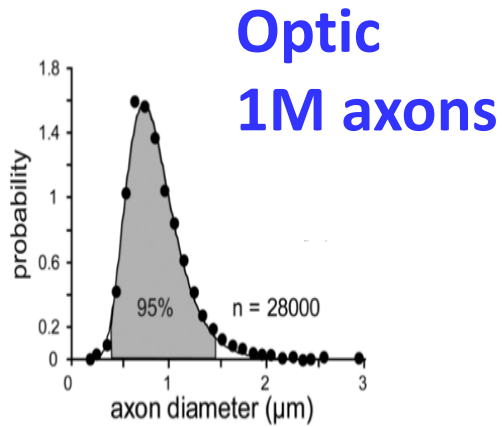




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Cochlear
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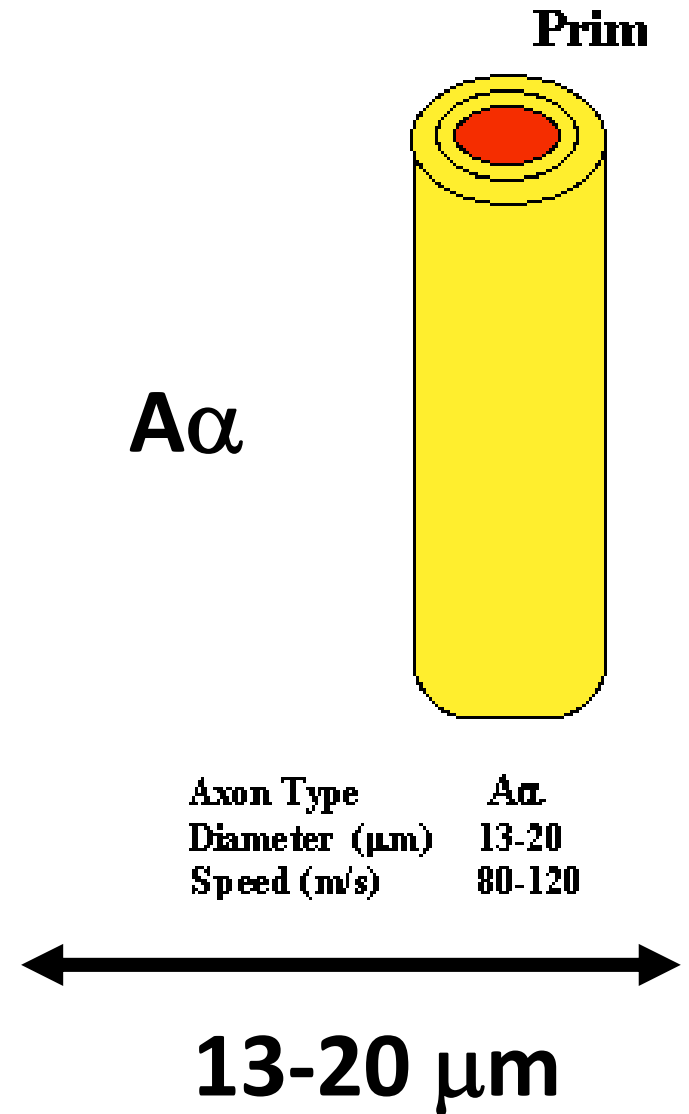


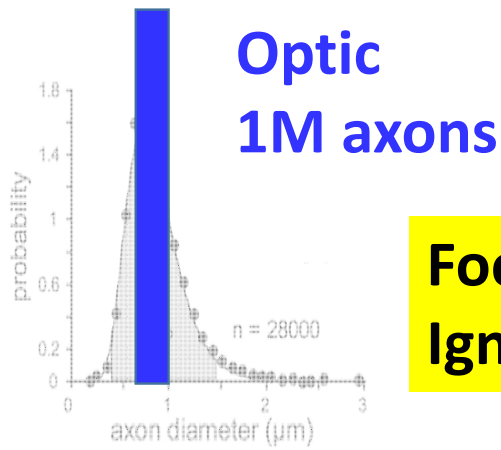


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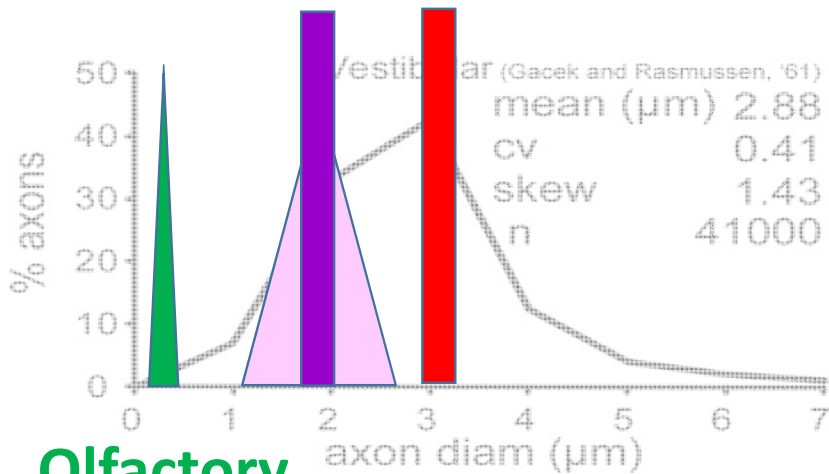
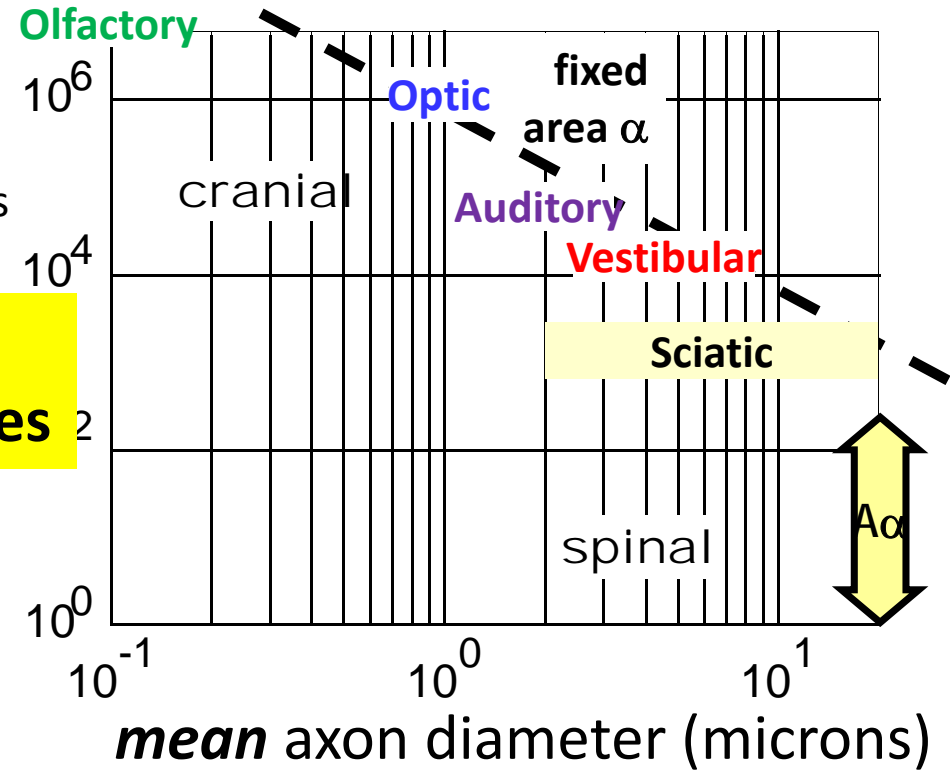
Cochlear
50K axons

Vestibular
20k axons





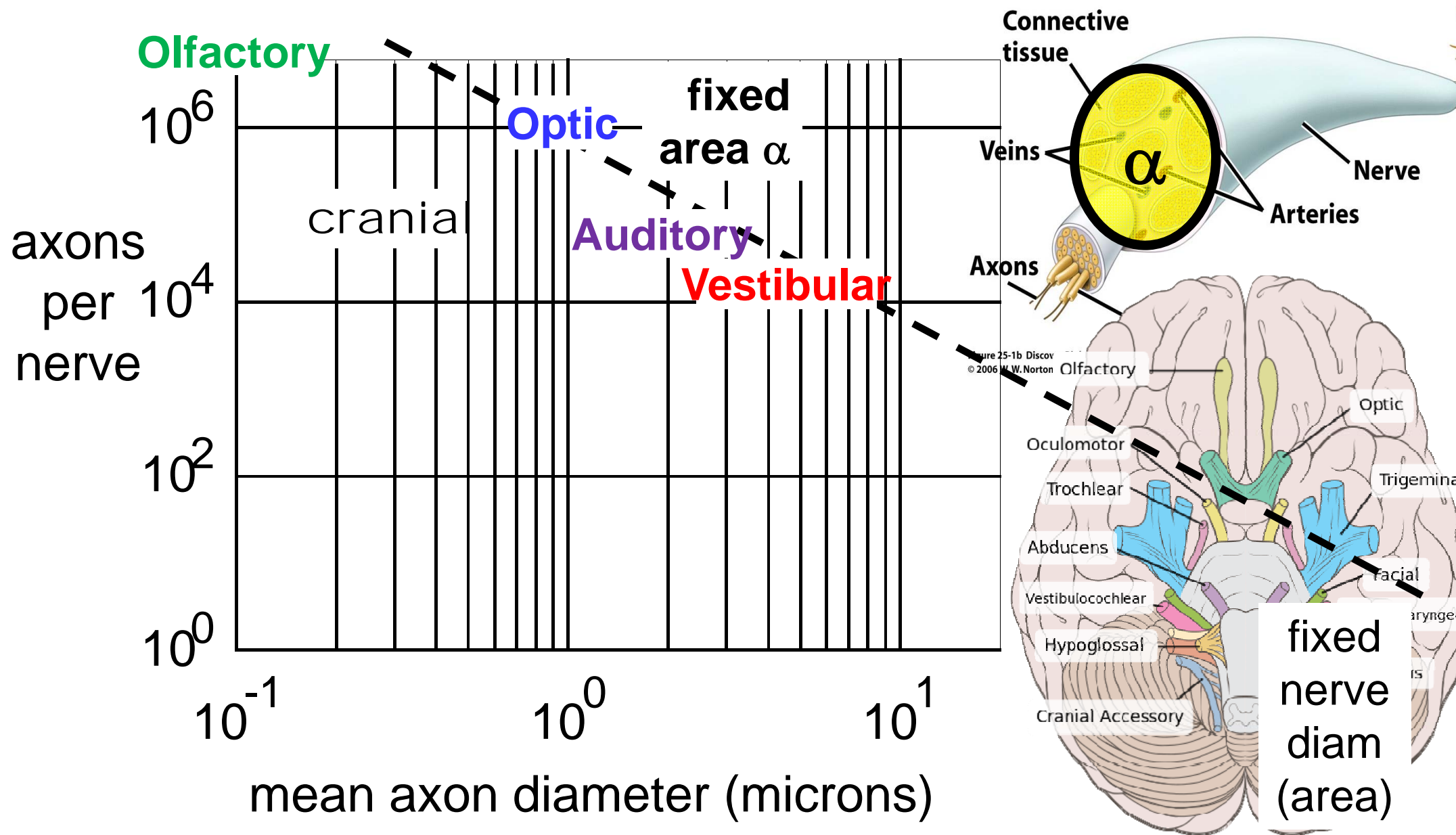
Focus on diversity in means
Ignore diversity *within* nerves

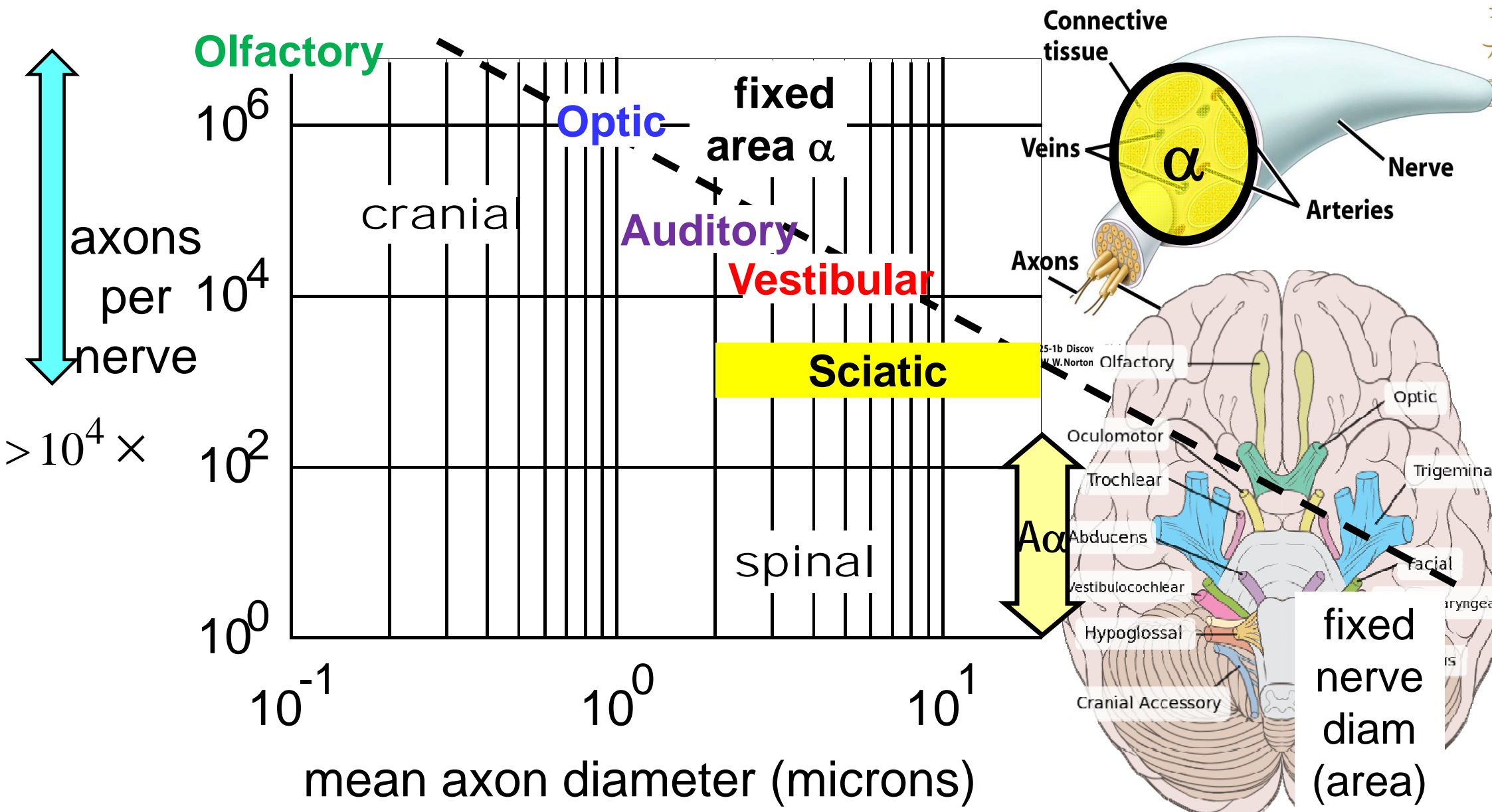


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cranial nerves

Cerebellum

Spinal cord

- similar diameters
- diverse lengths
- **extremely** diverse composition
- (within brains, between species)
- communication bottlenecks?

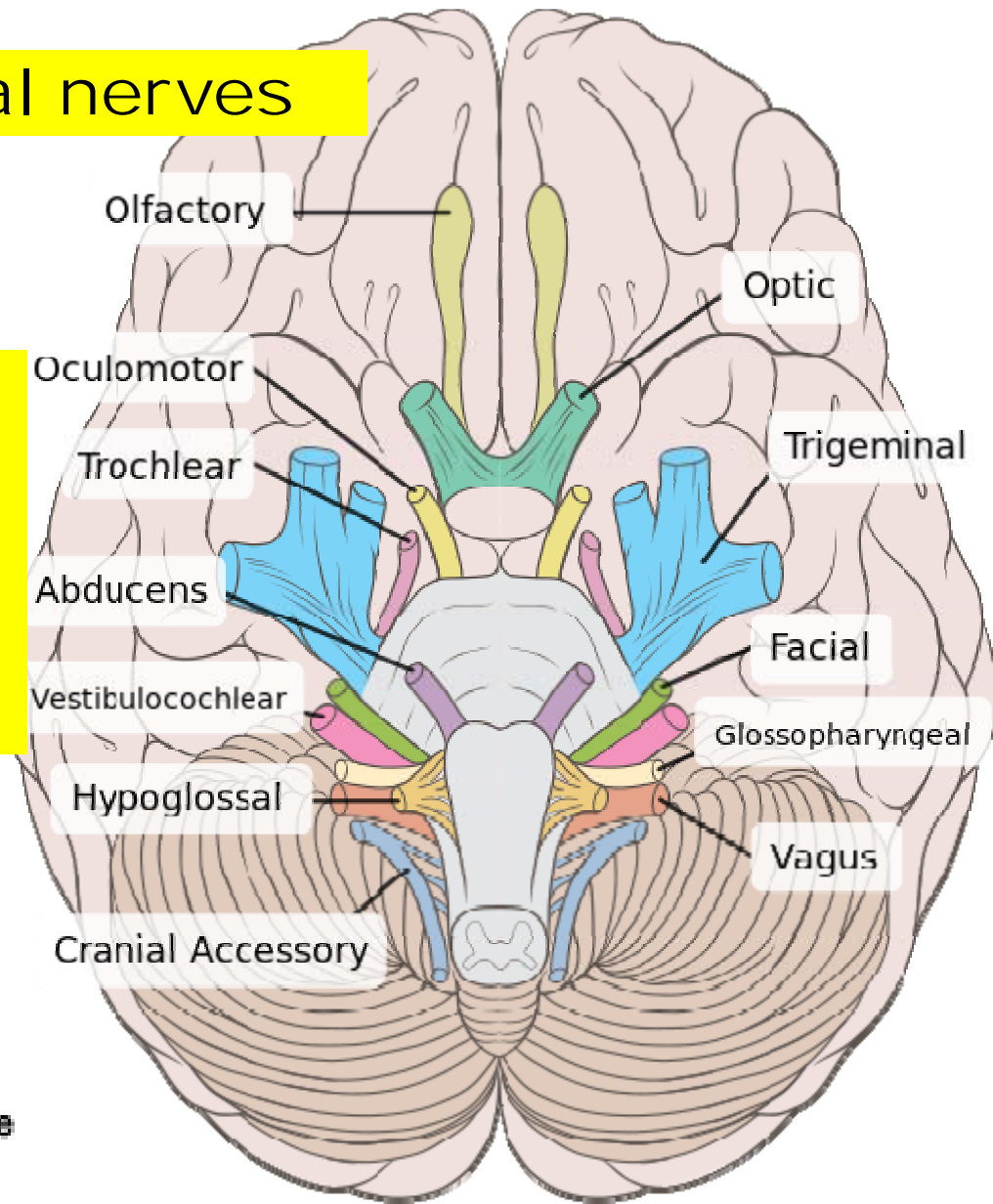
spinal nerves

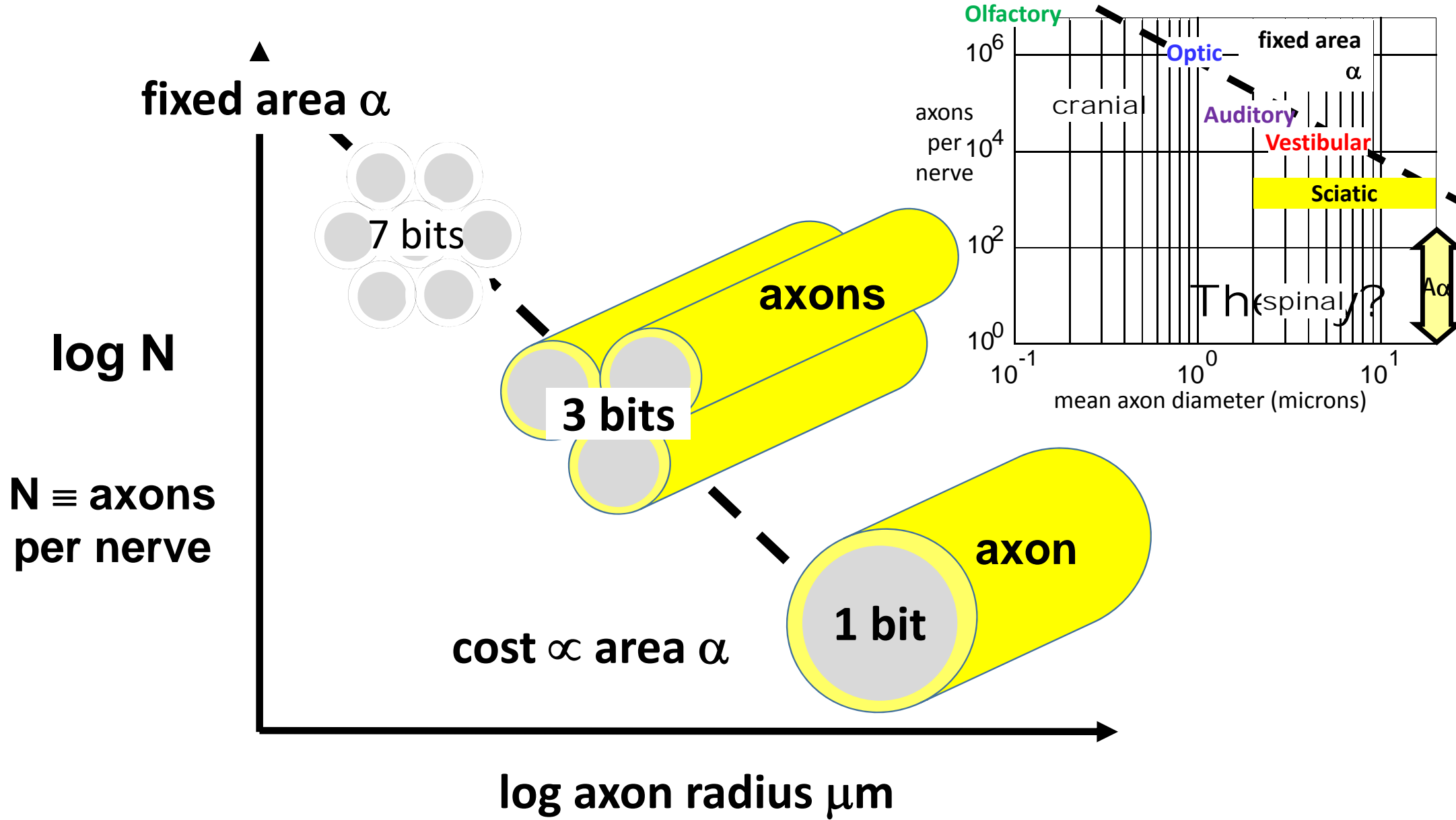
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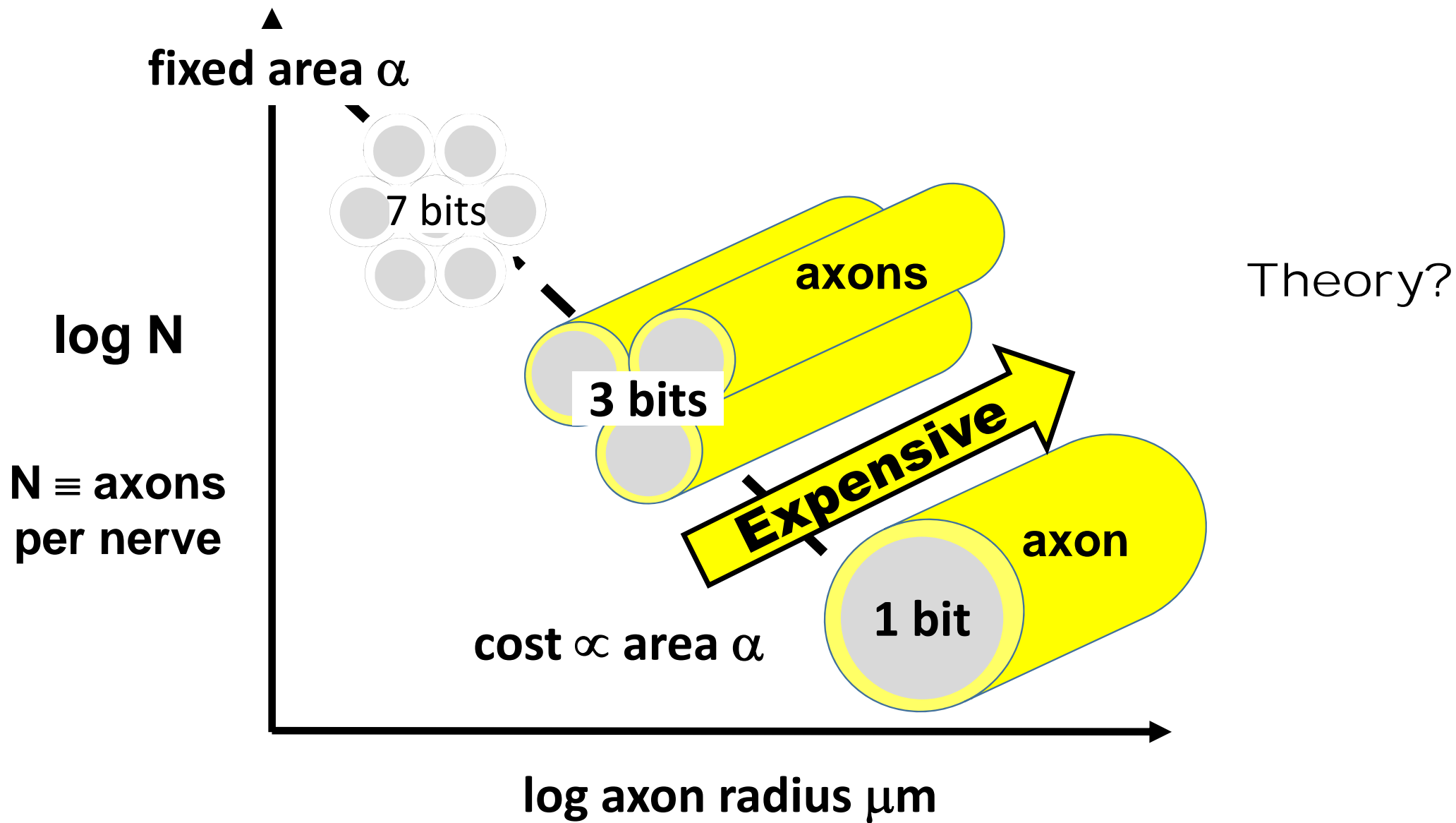
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Sciatic nerve





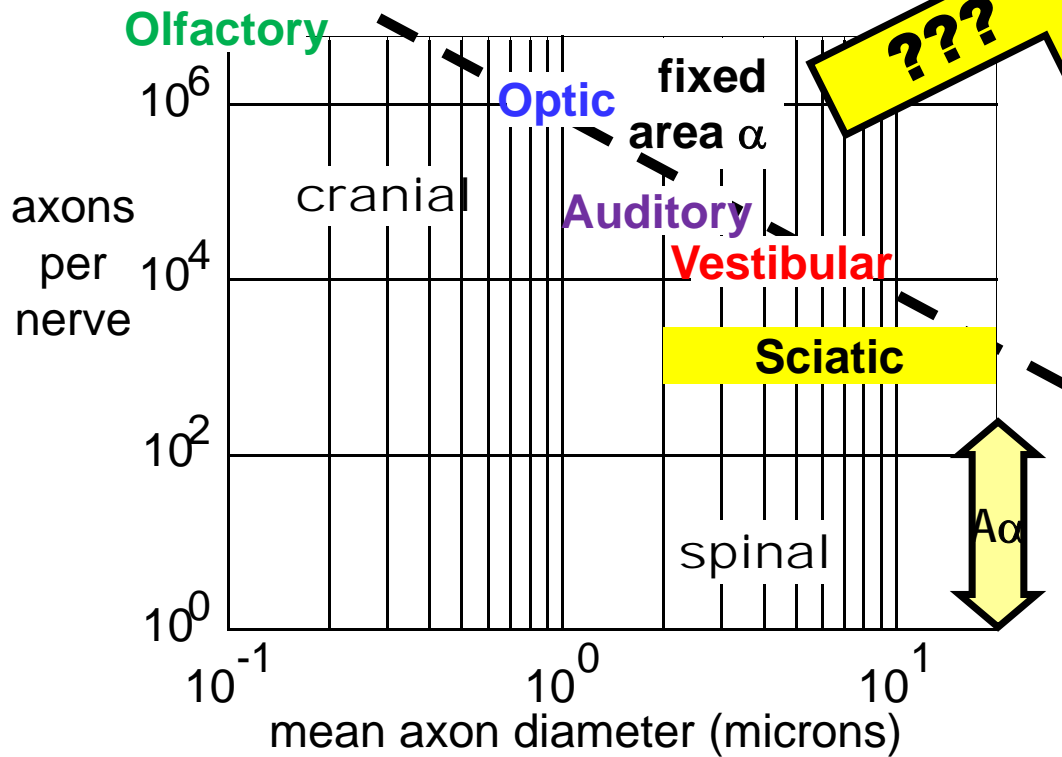


Speed vs Accuracy? (Delay T vs Bandwidth R ?)

$R = \text{bits/time}$
 $1/R \propto \text{accuracy}$

bandwidth
 $\text{Log}(1/R)$

Empirical?



Accurate

Fast

**$\text{Log } T$
 delay**

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Empirical

Sciatic

Vest

Aud

Olf

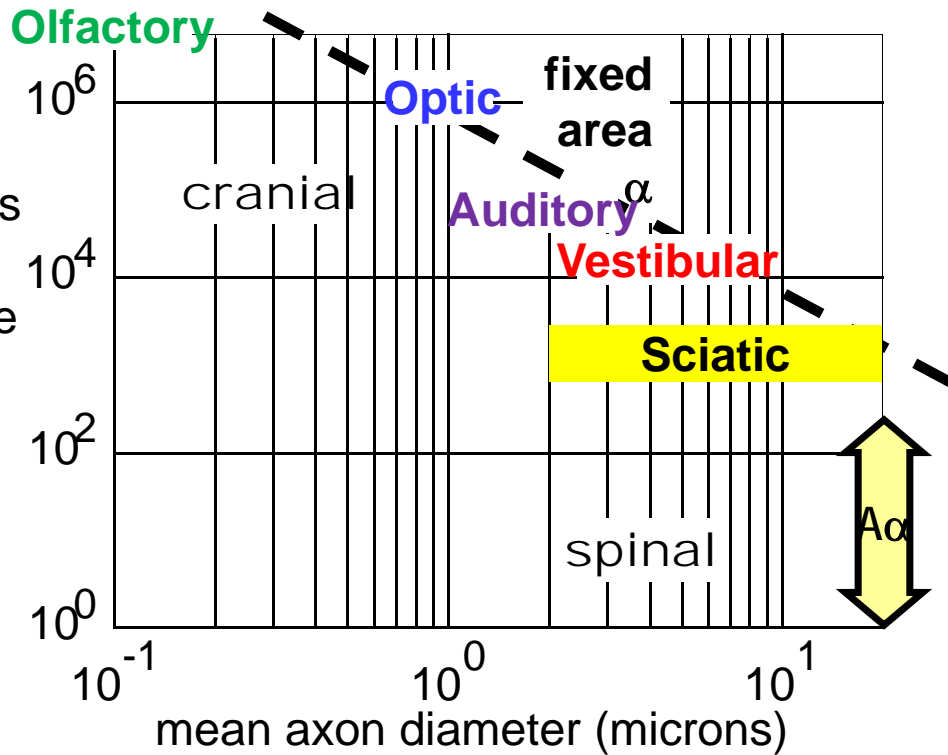
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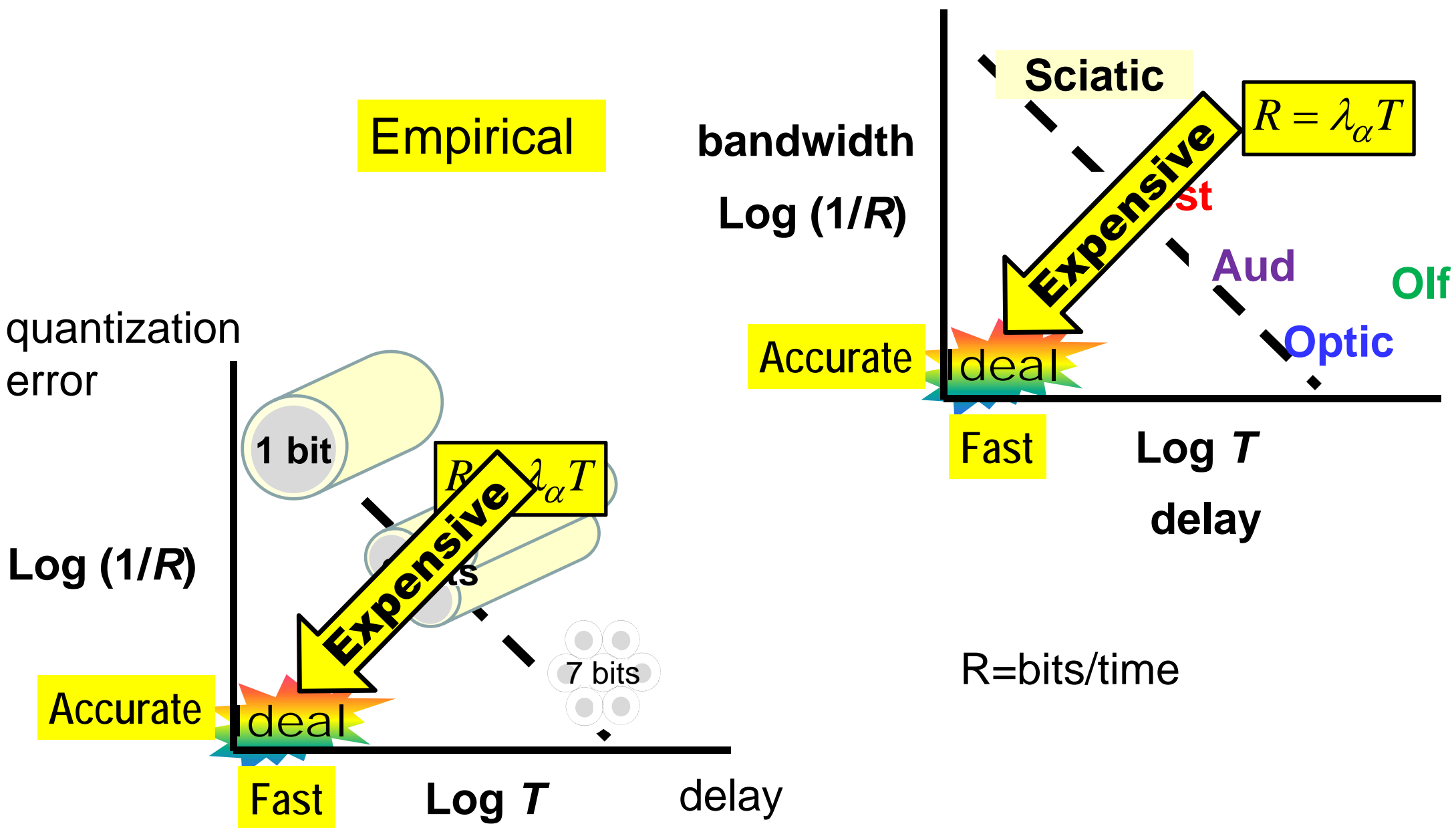
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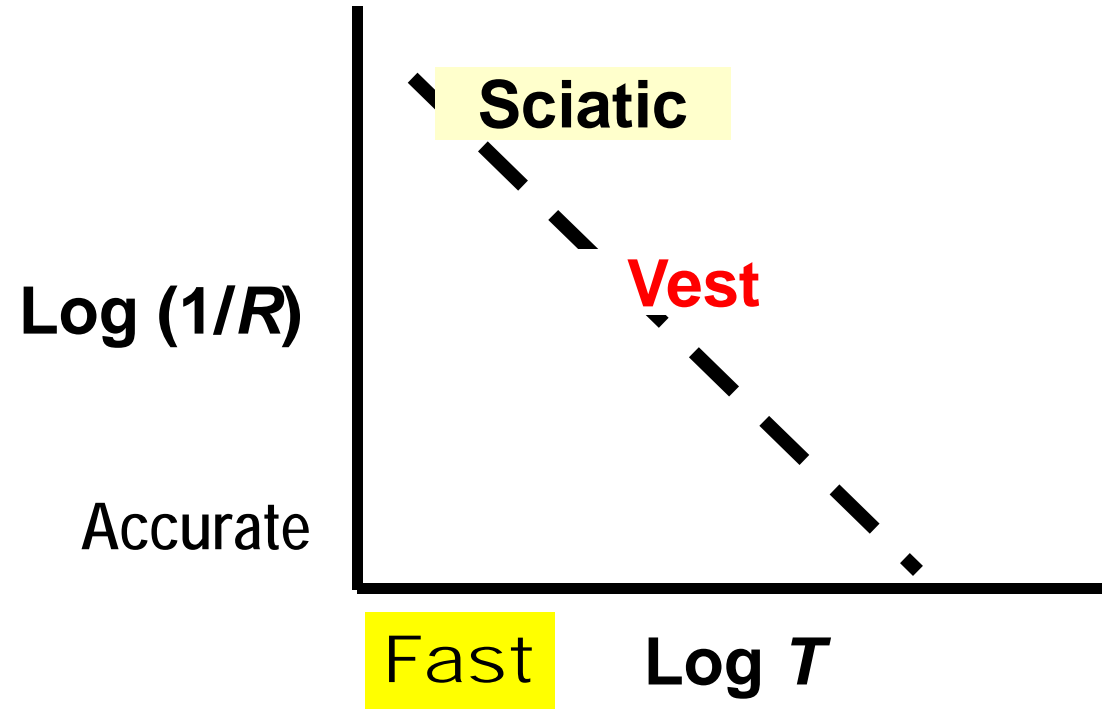
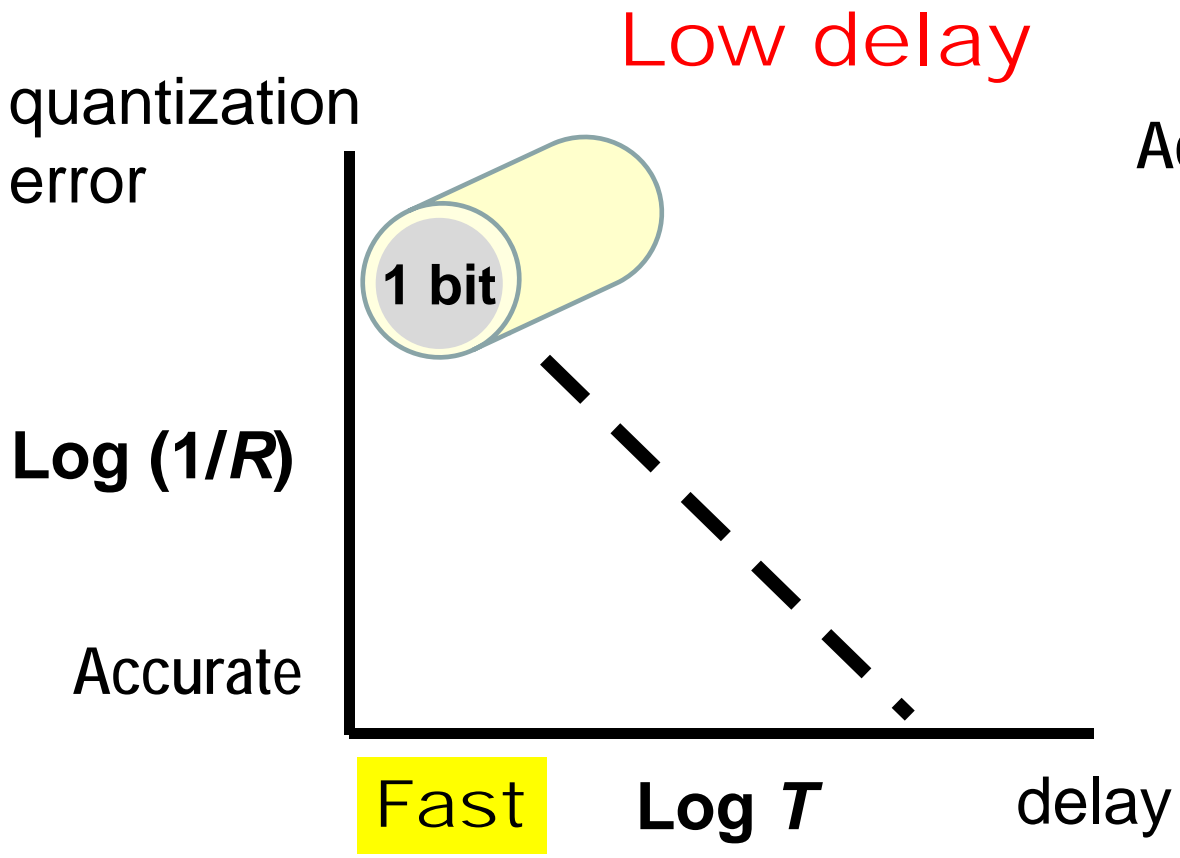
Fast

$\text{Log } T$
delay



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quantization error

$\text{Log}(1/R)$

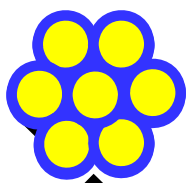
Accurate

1 bit

Fast

$\text{Log } T$

delay



High Bandwidth

$\text{Log}(1/R)$

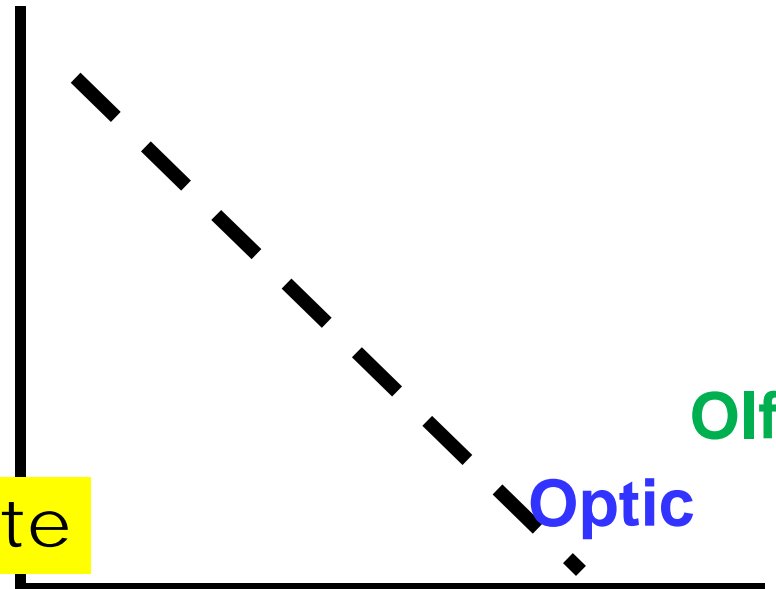
Accurate

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Optic

Olf



E
F P
T O Z
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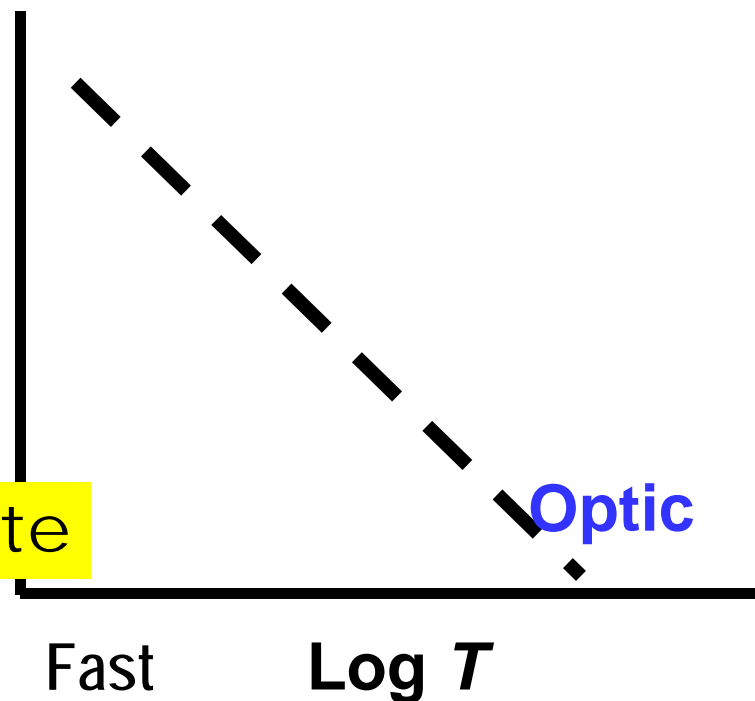
F E L O P Z D
D E F P O T E C

L E F O D P C T
F D P L T C E O
P E Z O L C F T D

$R=10\text{Mb/sec}$

Accurate

$\text{Log}(1/R)$



$50\text{ms} < T < 300\text{ms}$

~~Noisy?~~

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Accurate

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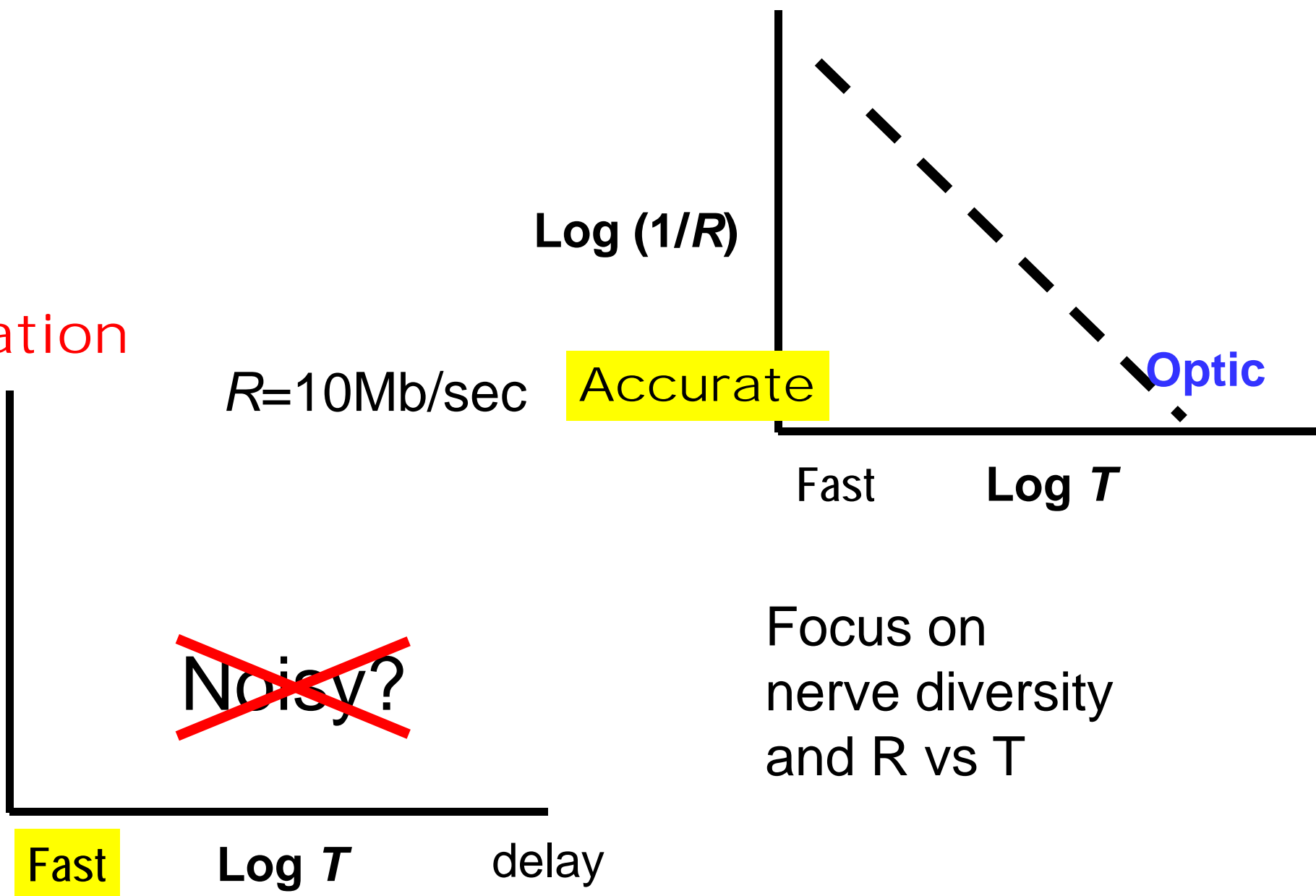
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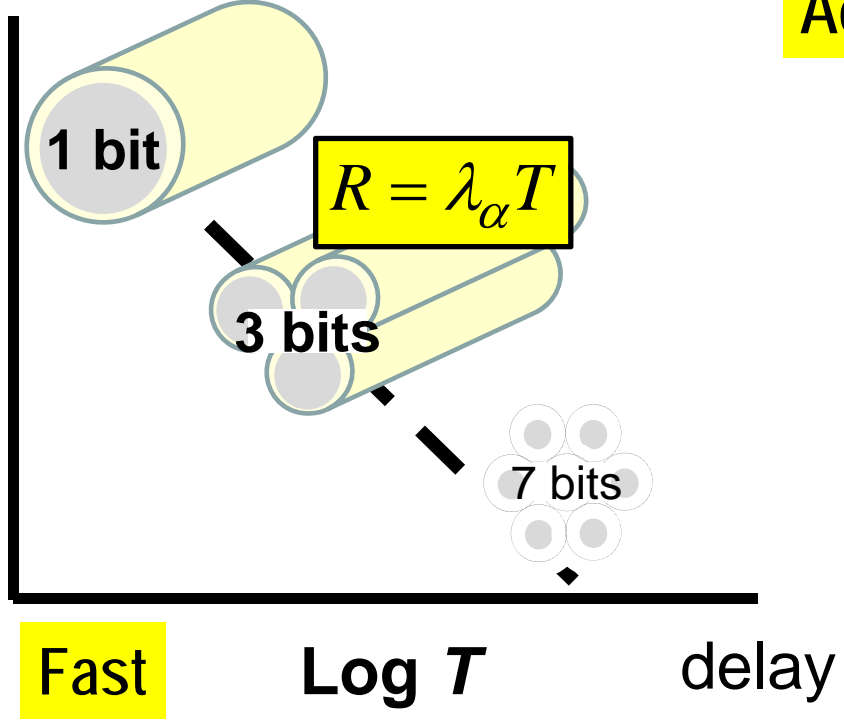
Focus on
nerve diversity
and R vs T



quantization error

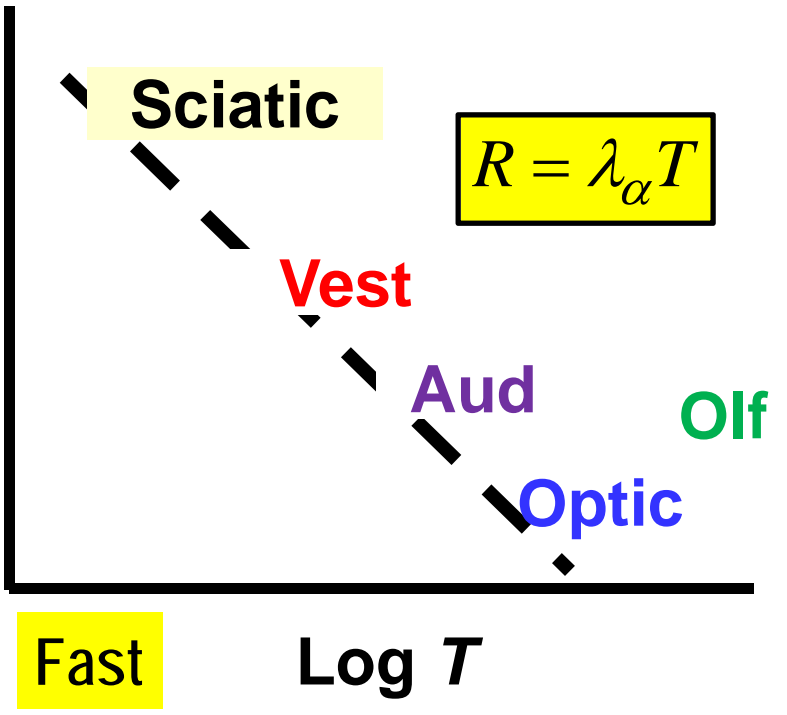
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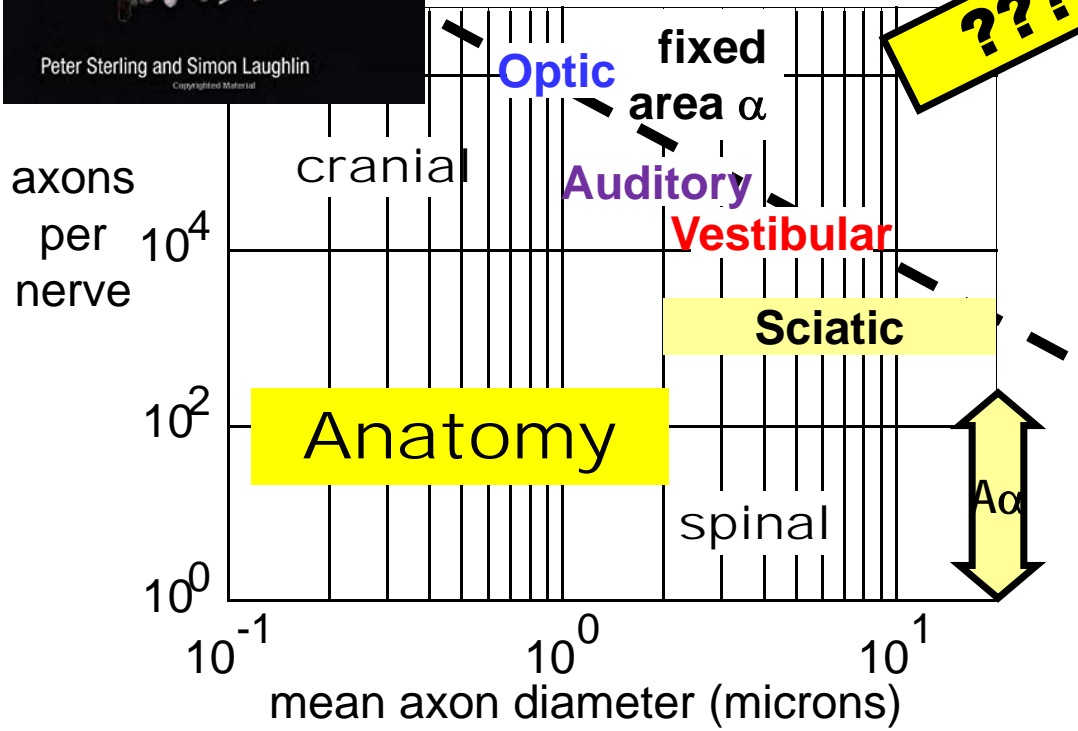
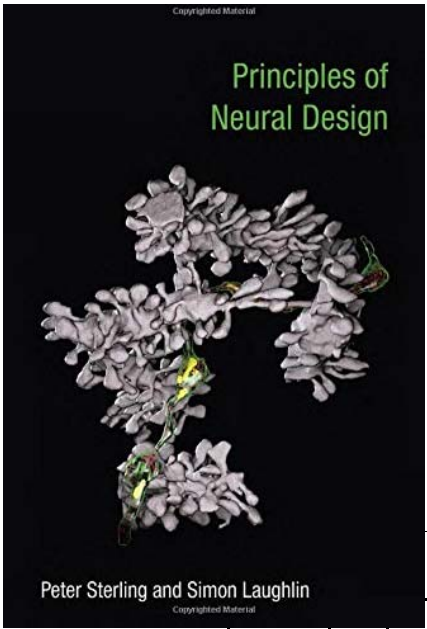


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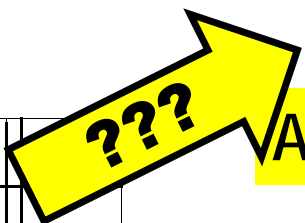
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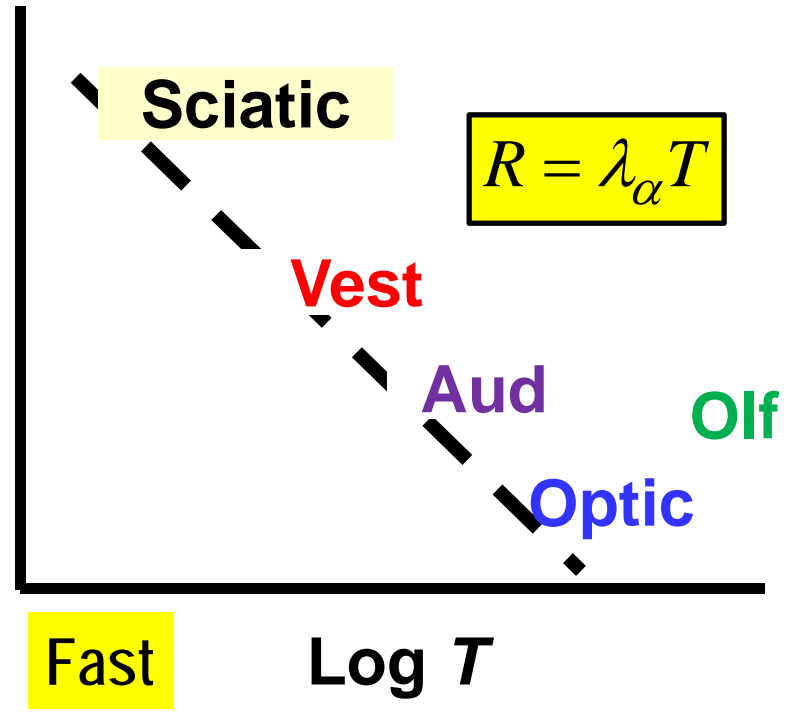
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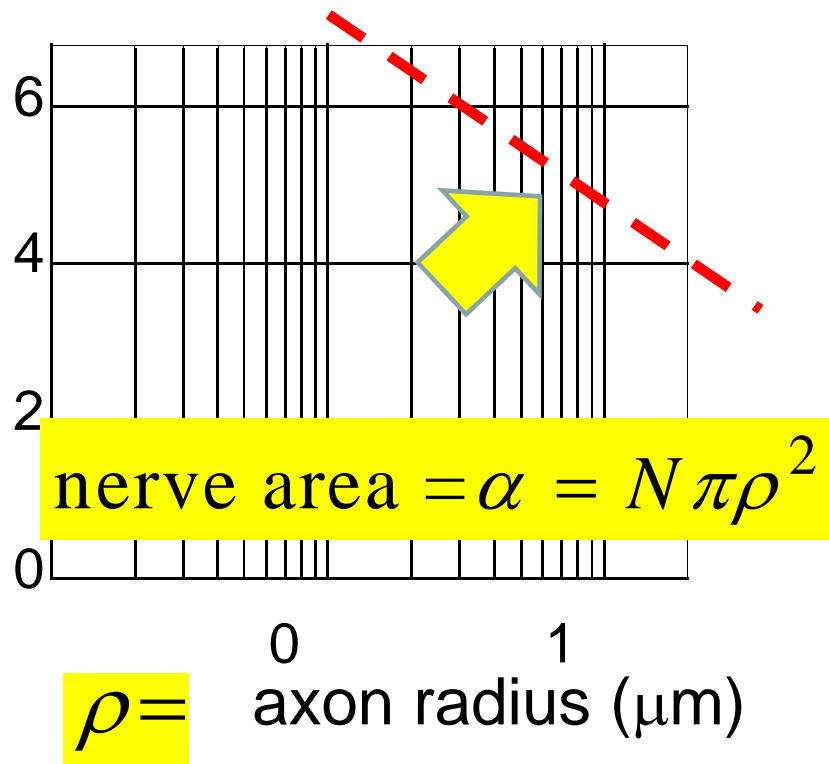
Accurate



How would Laughlin "explain" this?

resource (cost) \propto area α

N=
axons
per
nerve



spike speed $\propto \rho$
(propagation)

$$\frac{1}{T} = \frac{1}{\text{delay}} \propto \rho$$

Tradeoffs
in
spiking
neurons

spike rate $\propto \rho$

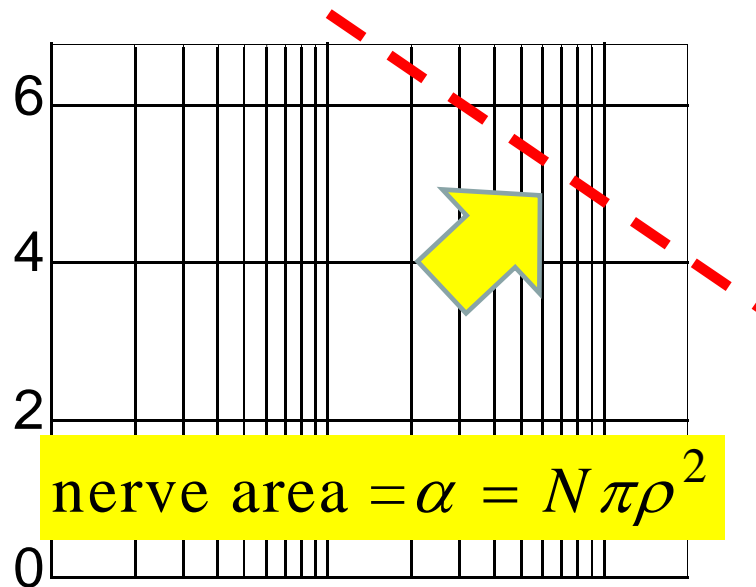
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rho = axon radius (μm)

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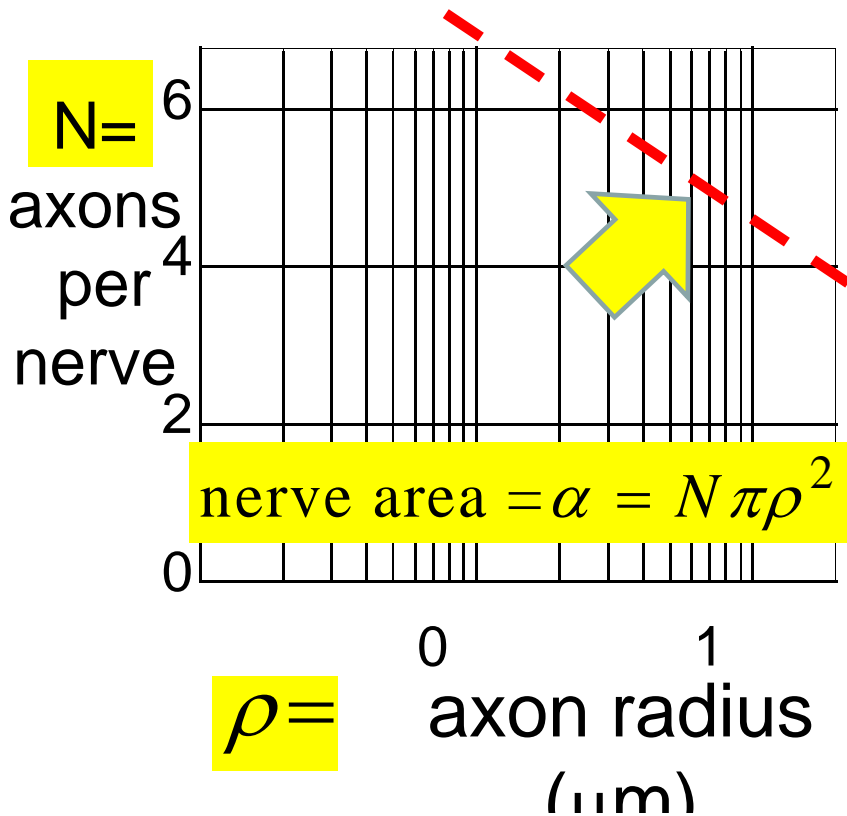
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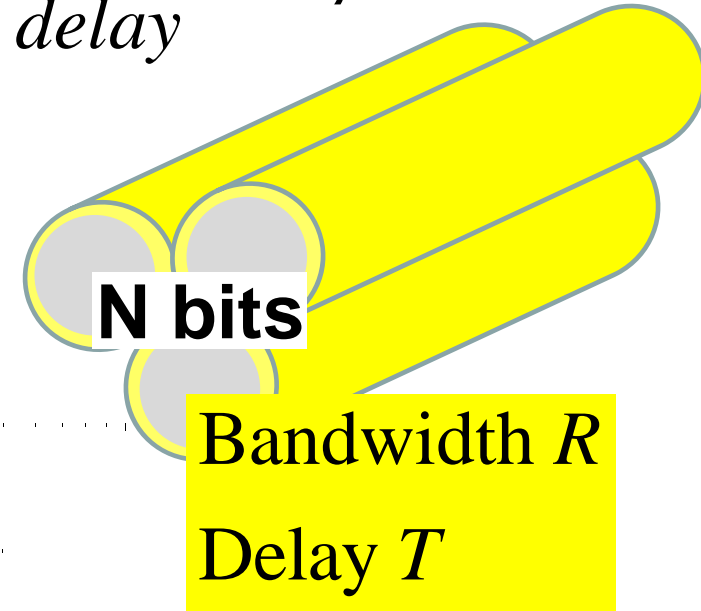
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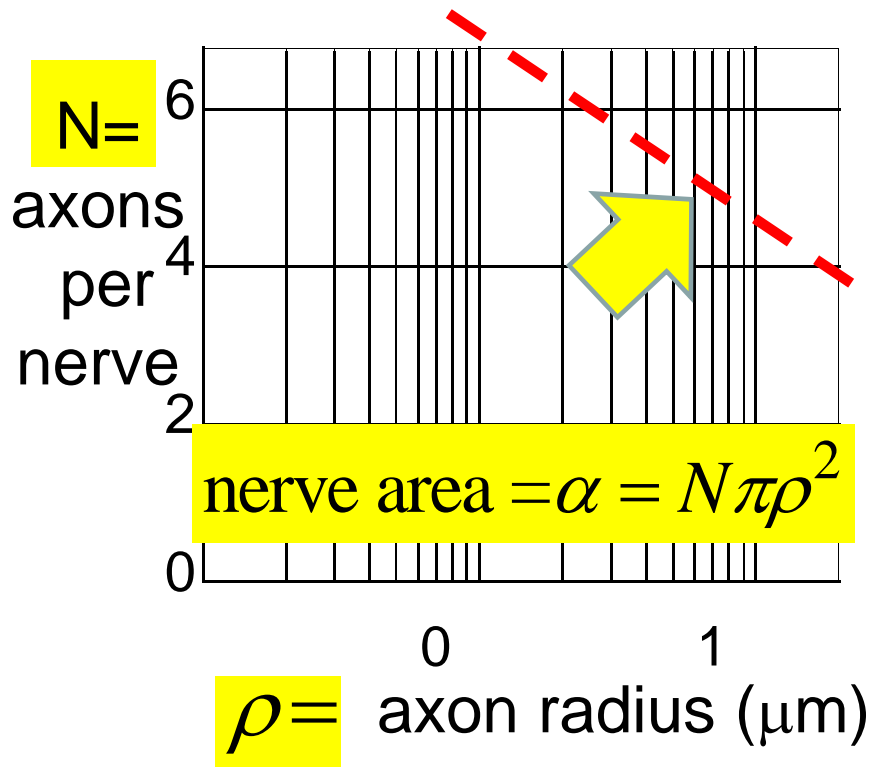
Digital
tradeoffs
in
spiking
neurons



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$$R \propto \left(\frac{\alpha}{\rho^2} \right) \rho \propto \left(\frac{\alpha}{\rho} \right)$$

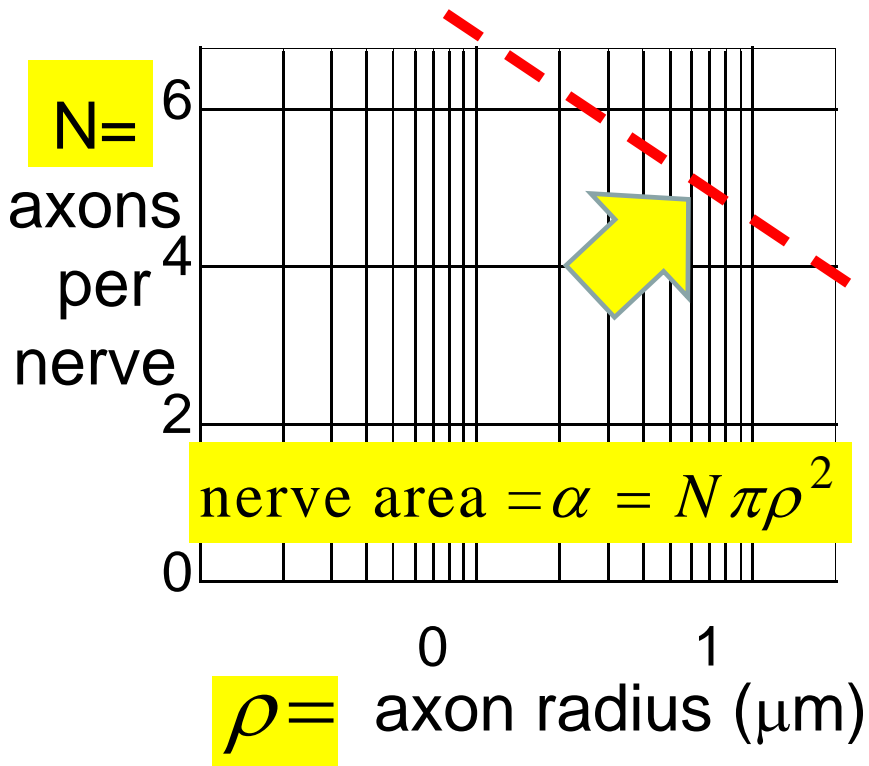
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\therefore delay $T_s \propto \frac{1}{\rho}$



$$R \propto \left(\frac{\alpha}{\rho^2}\right)\rho \propto \left(\frac{\alpha}{\rho}\right) \propto \alpha T$$

$$\therefore R = \lambda_\alpha T$$

$$\lambda_\alpha \propto \alpha$$

spike rate $\propto \rho$

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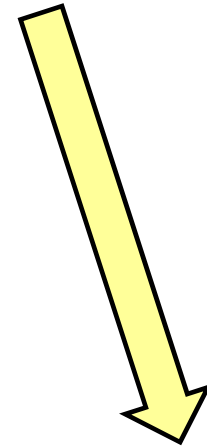
$$T = 1$$

$$R = 1$$



$$T = \sqrt{3}$$

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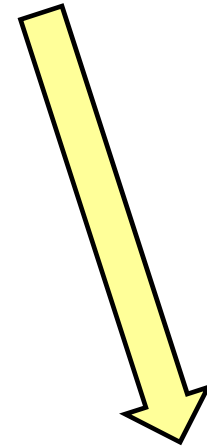
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**“packet switching”
by
“population codes”**

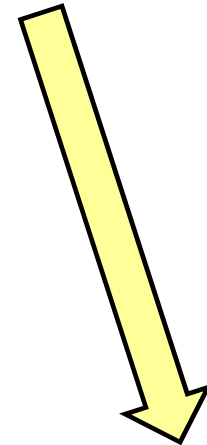


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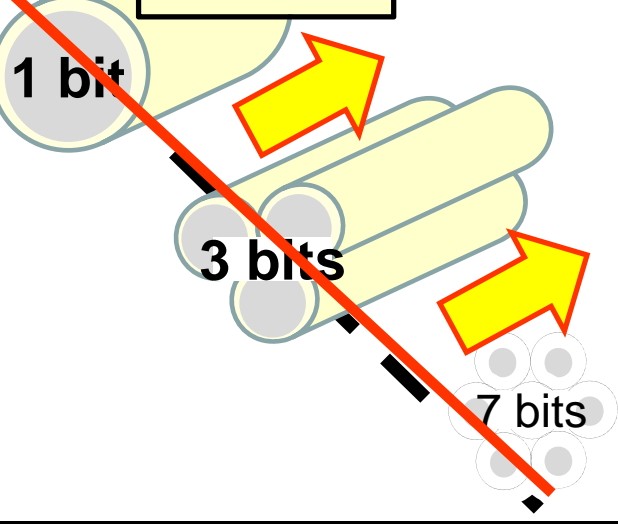


Easy to add bit errors and
error correcting codes

$\Rightarrow \lambda_\alpha$ reduced

quantization
error

$$R = \lambda_\alpha T$$



Fast

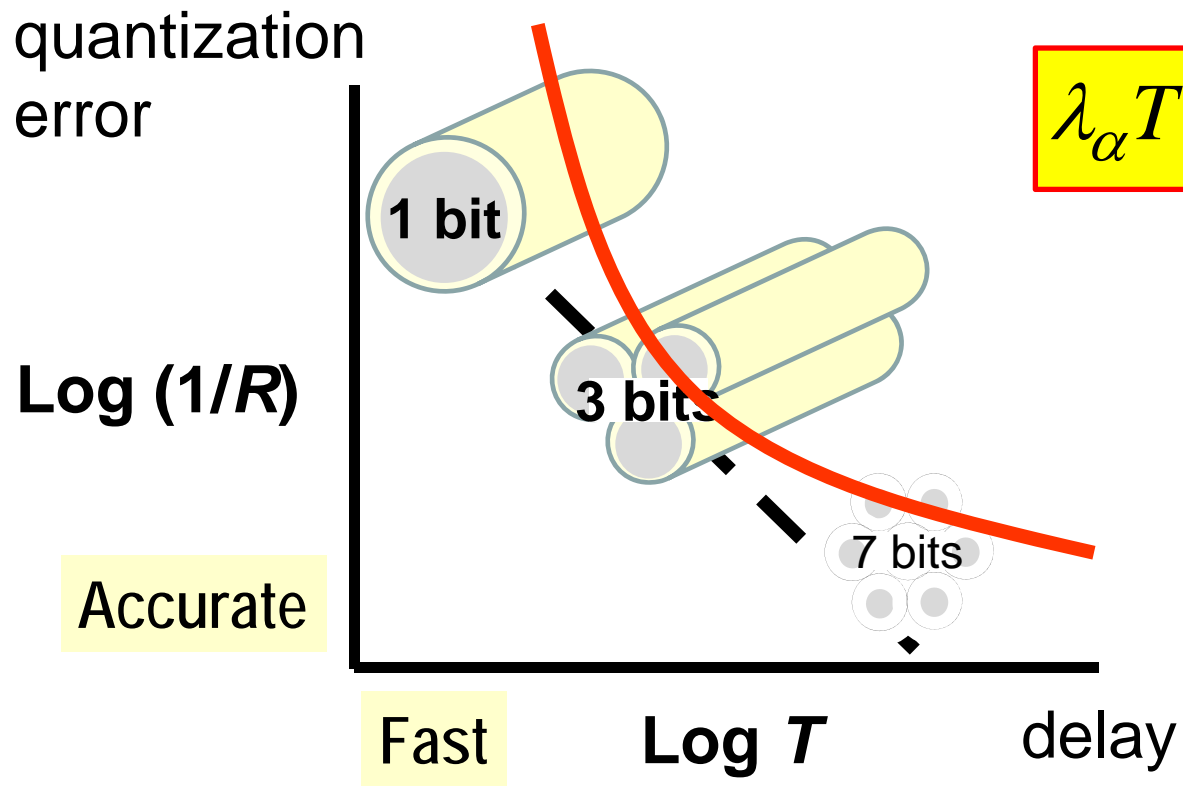
$\text{Log } T$

delay

\approx reducing
area

Accurate

Easy to use other tradeoffs



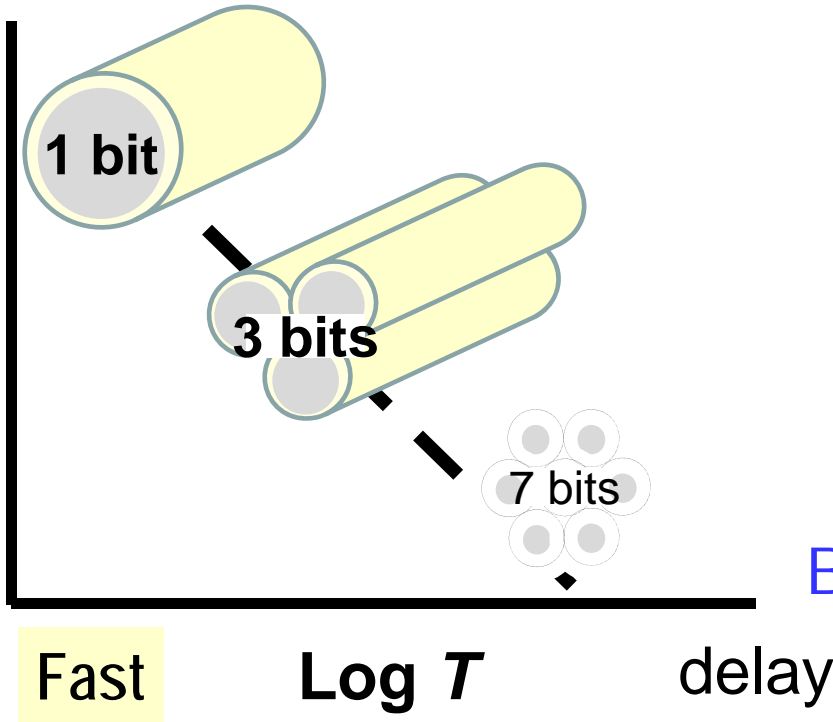
Start with this for simplicity

$$R = \lambda_{\alpha} T$$

quantization
error

Log (1/R)

Accurate



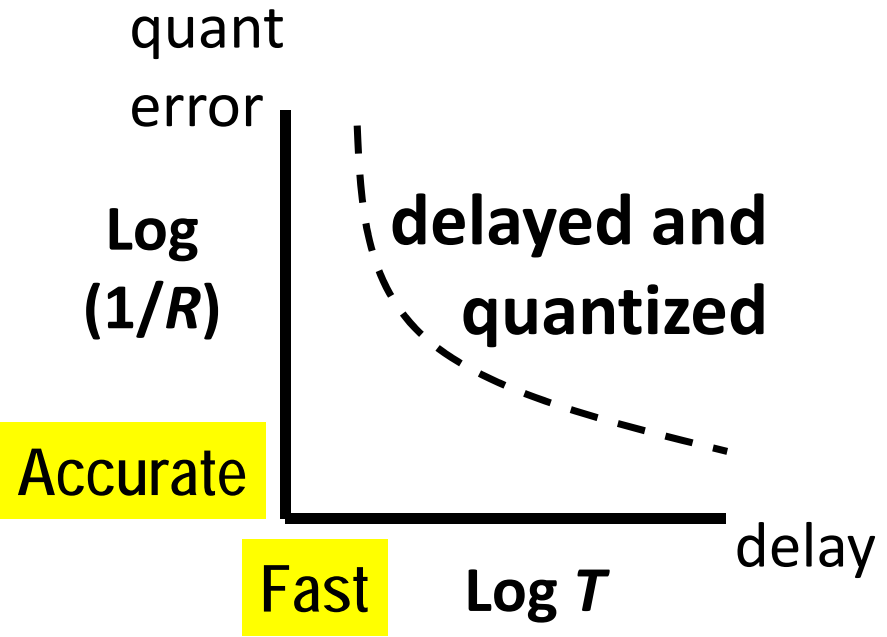
“delayed and quantized”

Low delay

High
Bandwidth

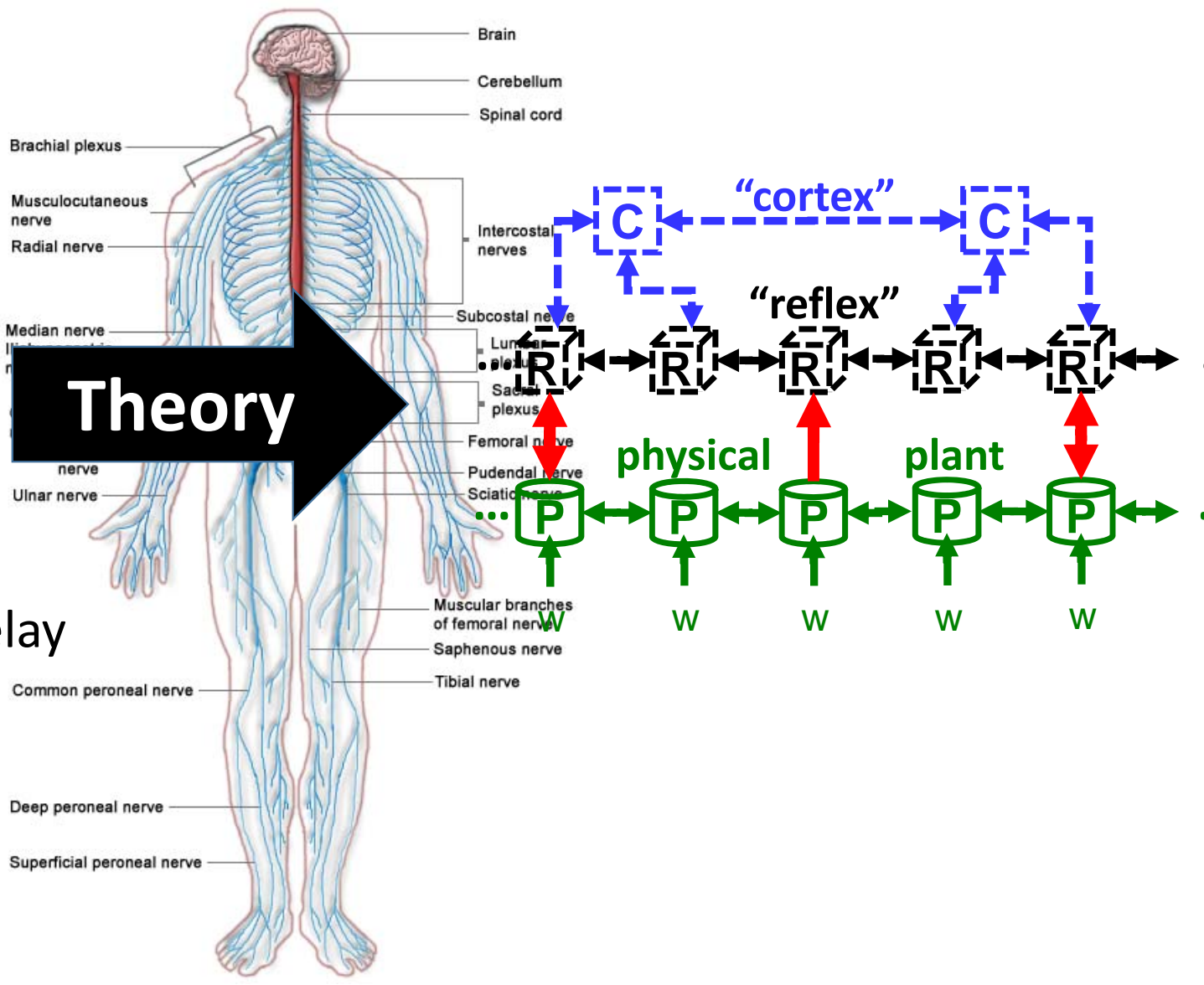
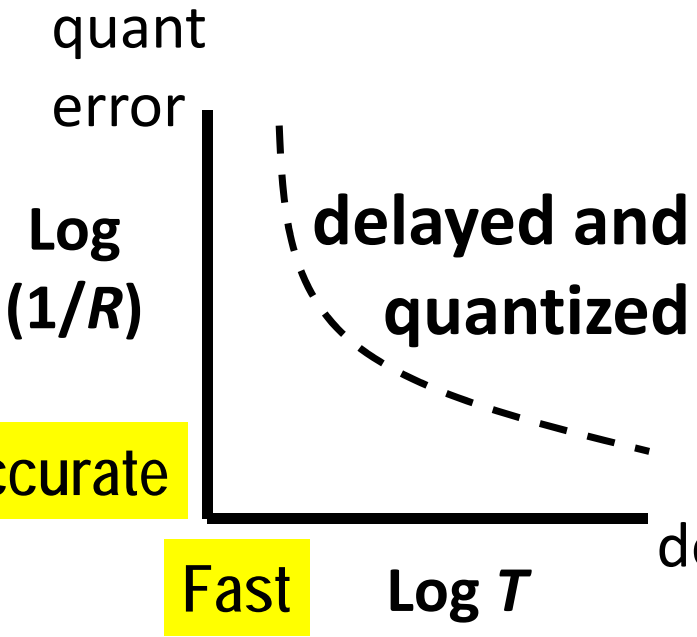


Speed vs Accuracy



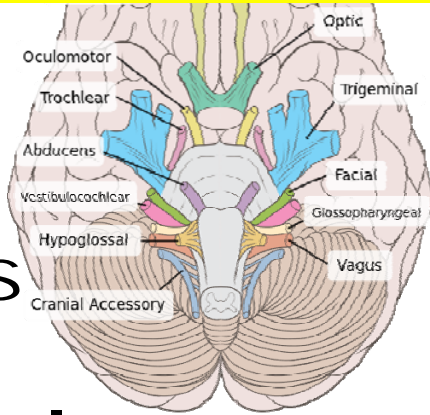
Different technologies will have different tradeoffs

Speed vs Accuracy



Extremely diverse/different
(& complementary?)

High  advanced
planning
large disturbance
small error
need accuracy



Nerves

quant
error

Log (1/R)

$$R = \lambda_{\alpha} T$$

Hardware

Accurate

Component

Fast

Log T

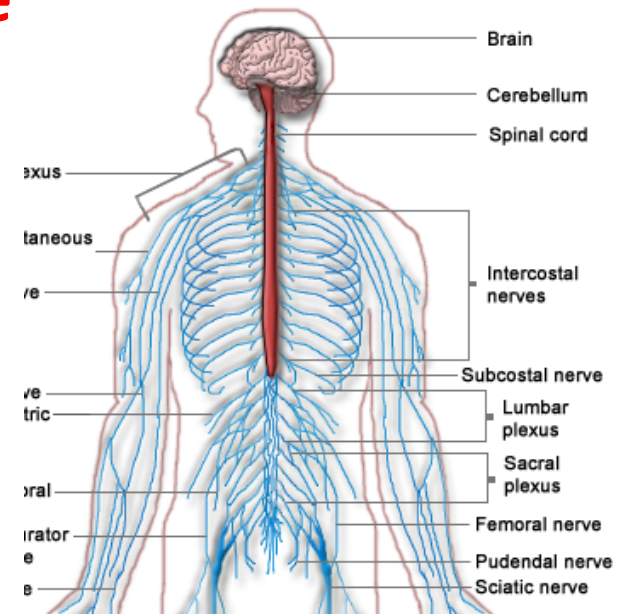
delay

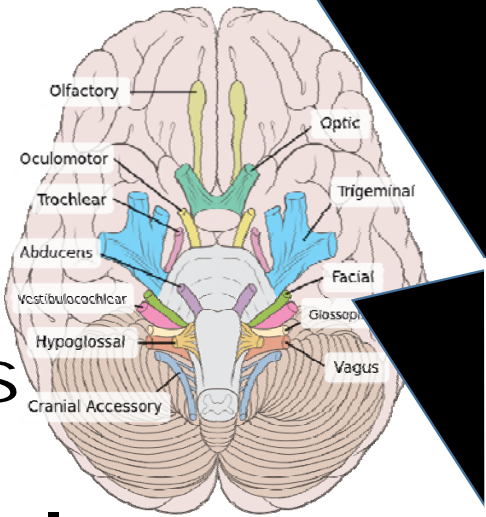
Lower

delayed
reflexes
small disturbance
large error
need speed



Applications





Nerves

quant
error

$\text{Log}(1/R)$

$$R = \lambda_{\alpha} T$$

Hardware

Accurate

Component

Fast

$\text{Log } T$

delay

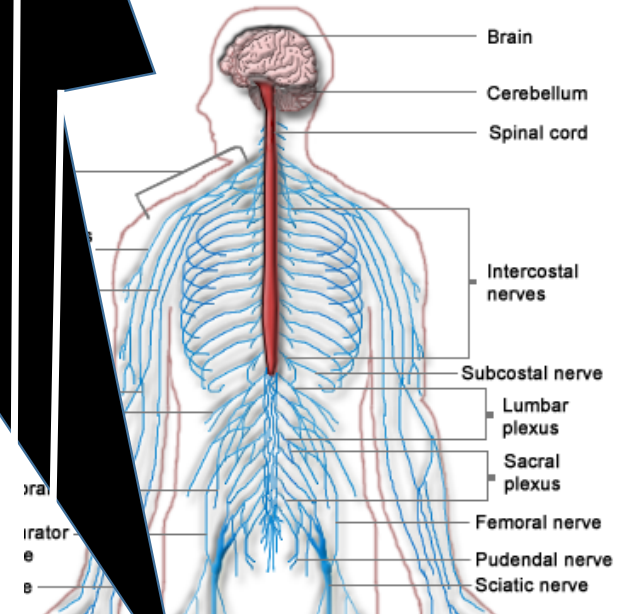


High

Applications

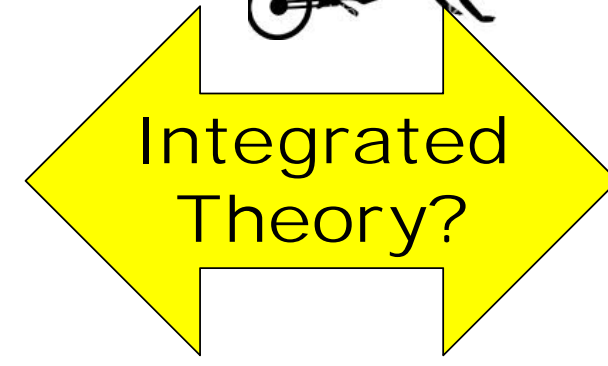
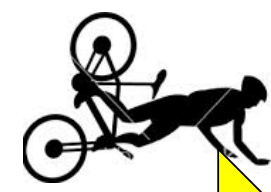


Lower



High 
Robust Control
Wolpert

Lower



Nerves
quant
error

Energy
Information

Log (1/R)

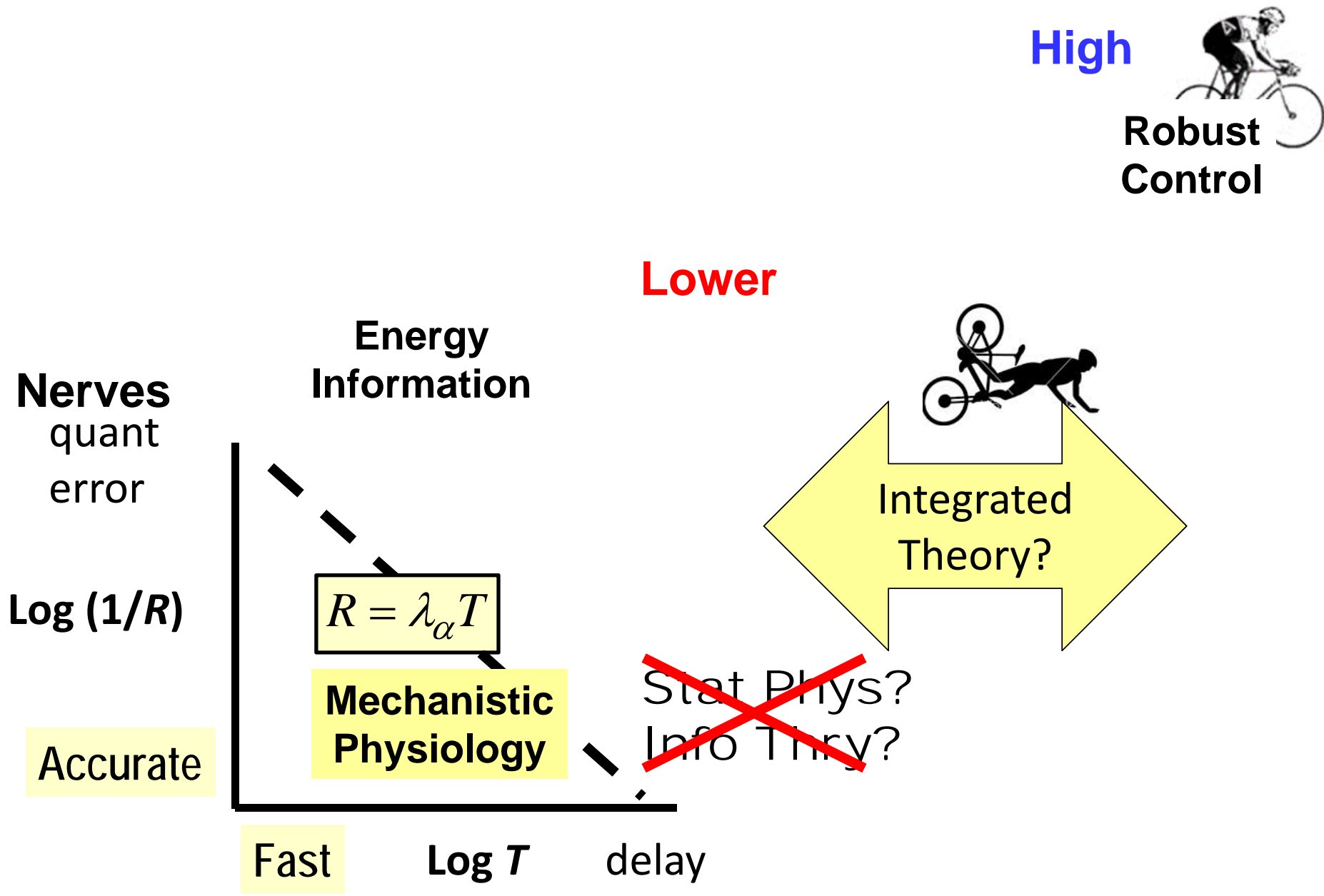
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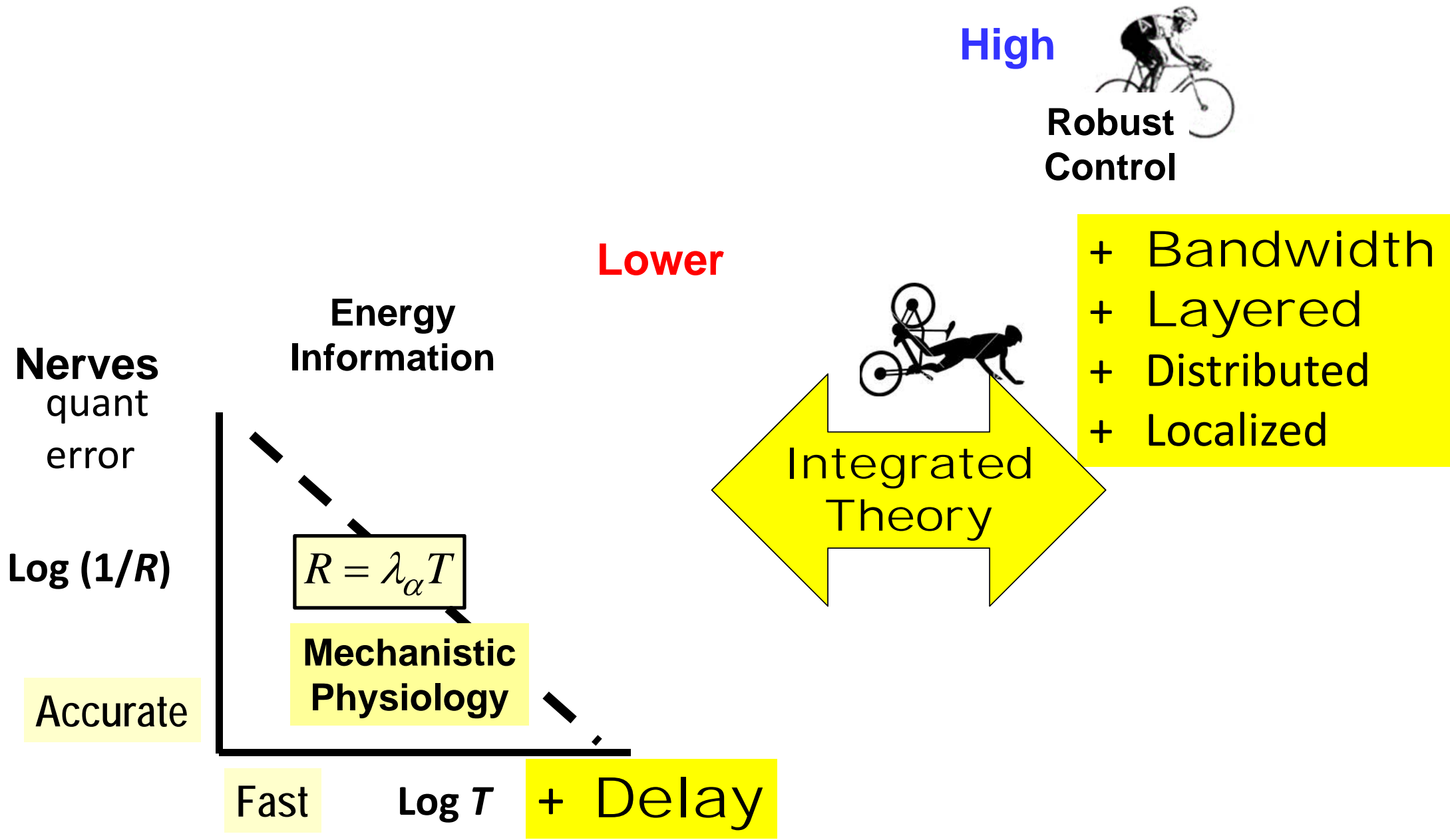
Mechanistic
Physiology

Laughlin

Accurate

Fast **Log T** delay





Inspirations from neuroscience

Gazzaniga

High



Robust Control

Wolpert

Sejnowski

Lower

Energy Information

Nerves quant error

- + Bandwidth
- + Layered
- + Distributed
- + Localized



Integrated Theory

Log (1/R)

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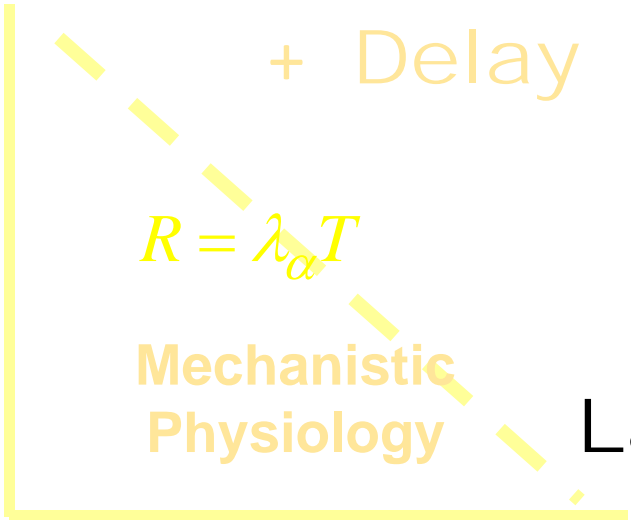
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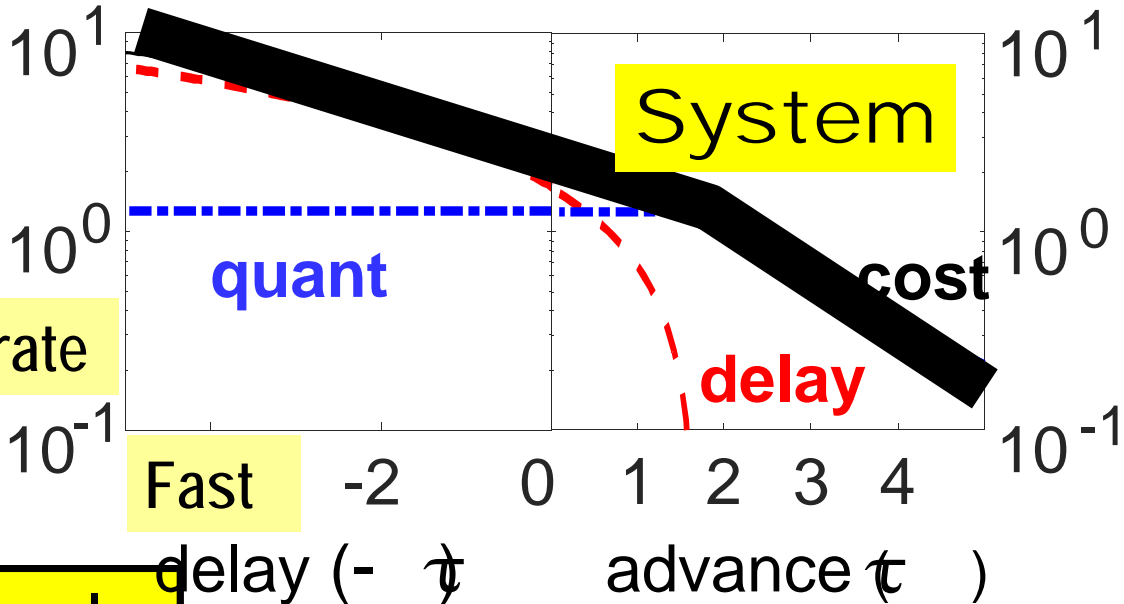
Marder

Accurate

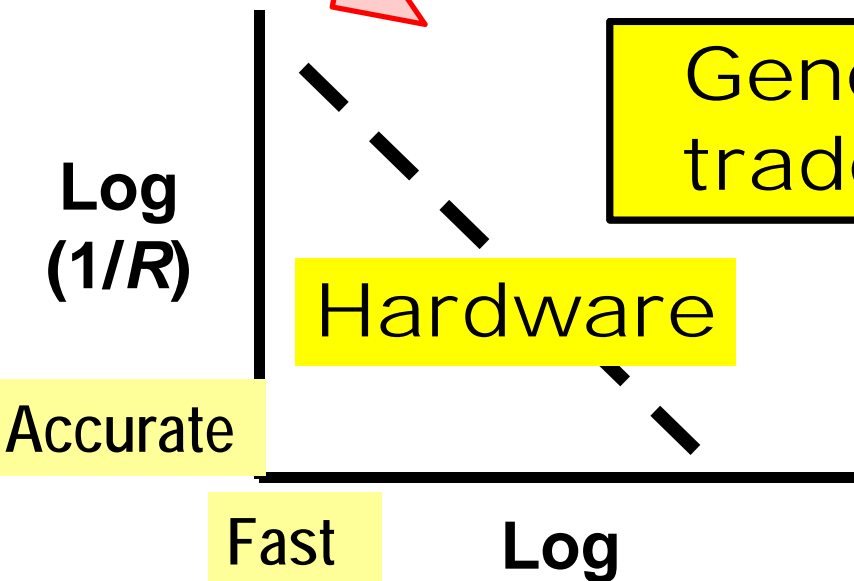
Fast Log T delay



Low delay



Low delay

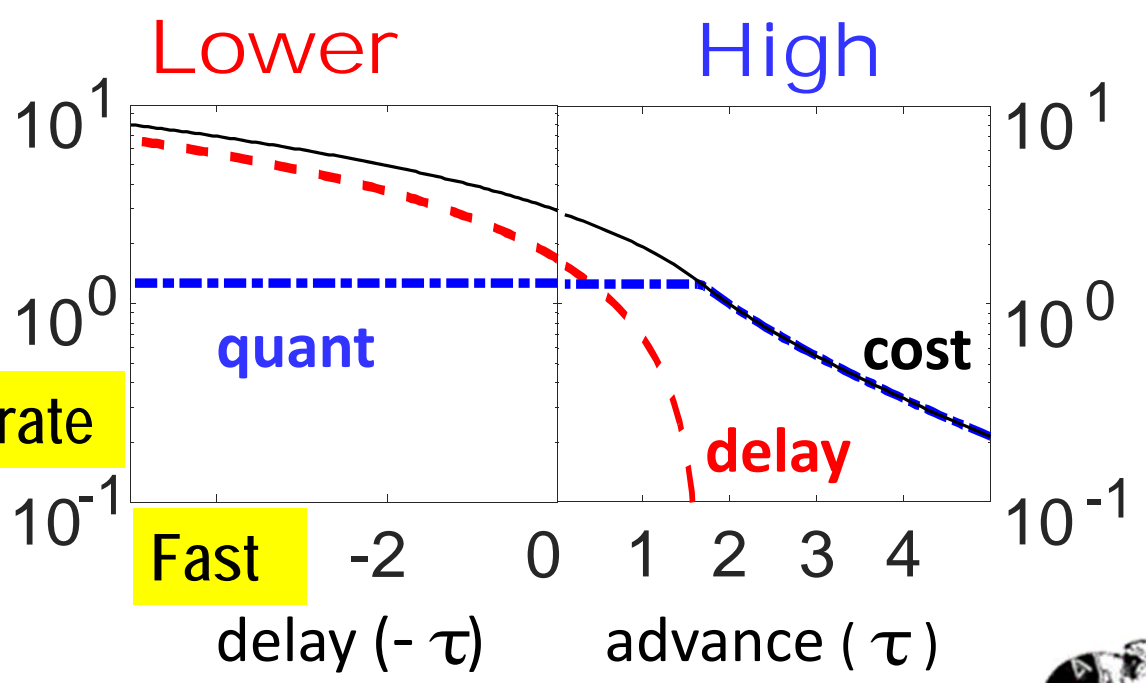
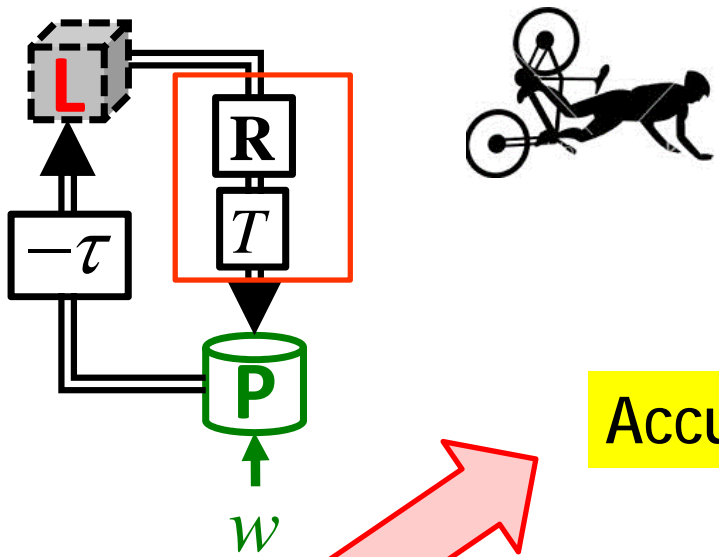


Accurate

General tradeoff

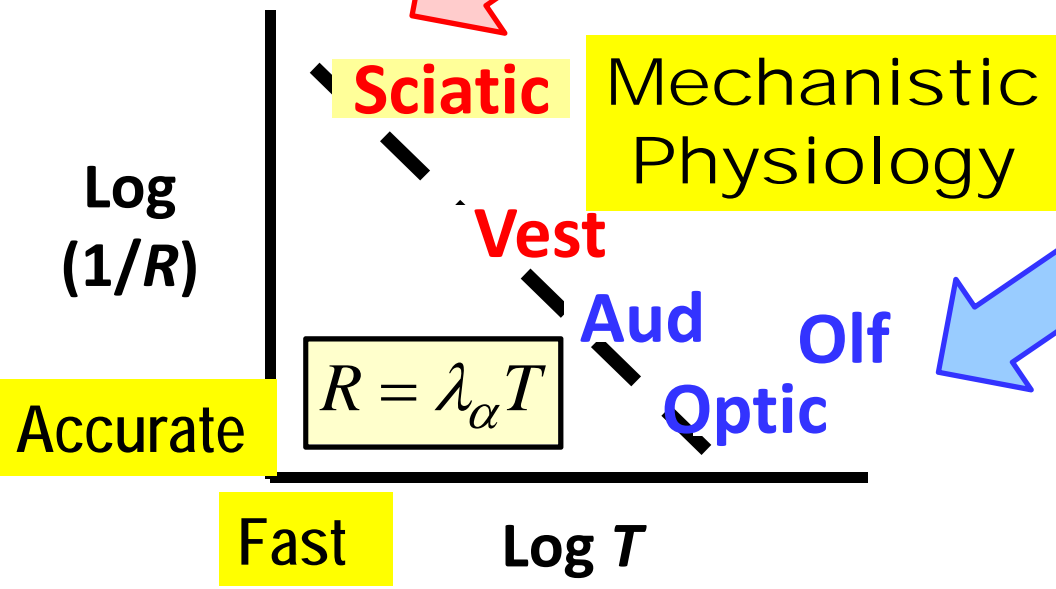
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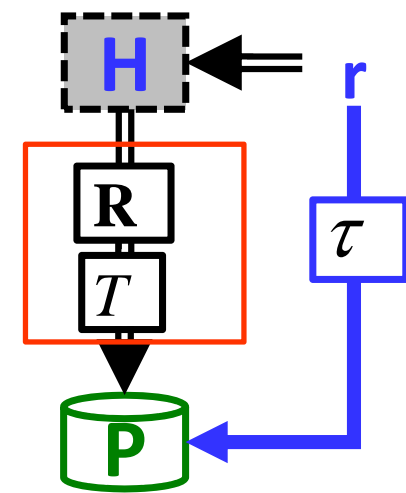
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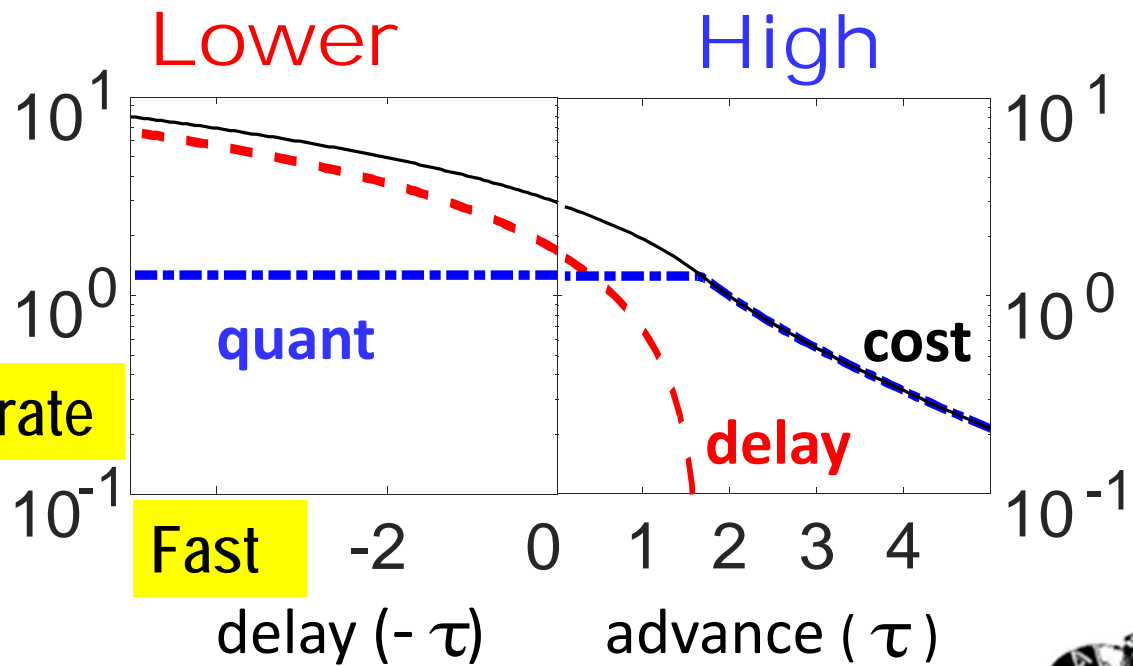
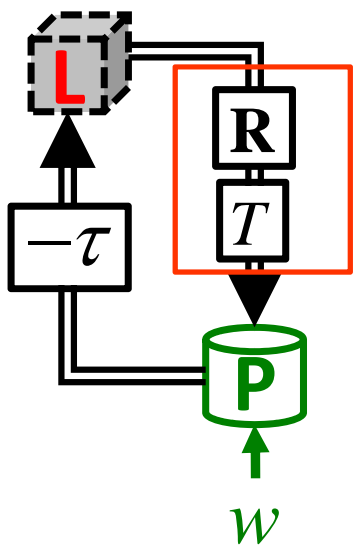
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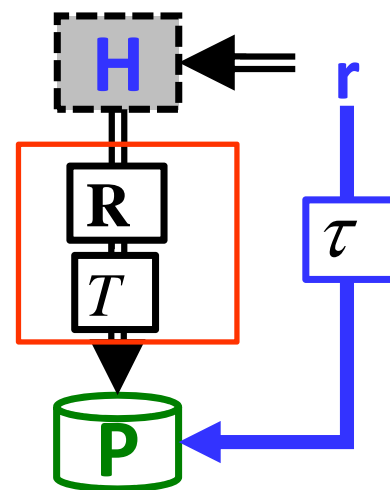
Accurate

Fast





System



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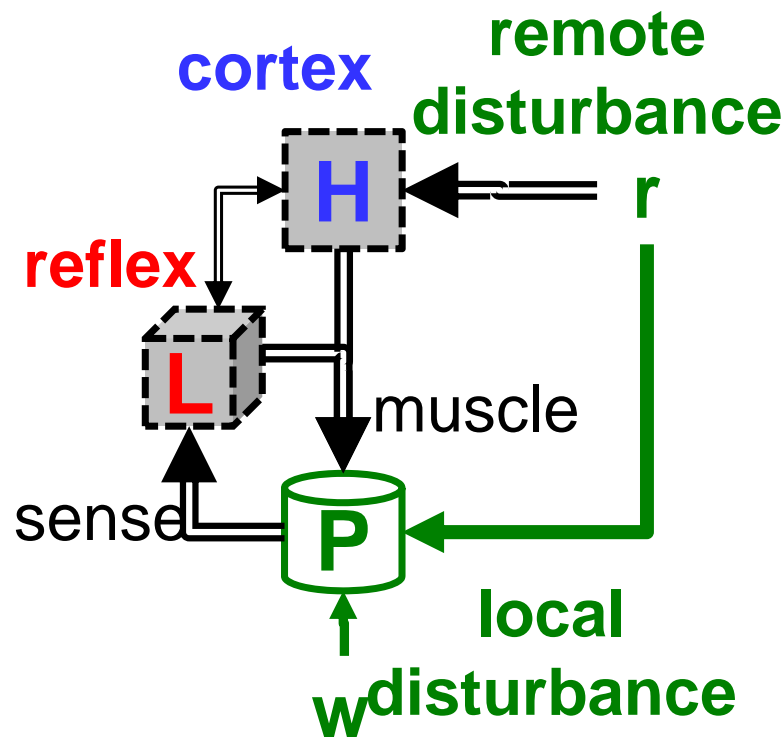
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 past
 reflex
 delayed
 unstable (real)
 small $\|w\|$ *but*
 large $\|CL\| > 1$
 need speed
 unconscious
 $\gg 10\text{Mb/sec}$
 distributed
 local

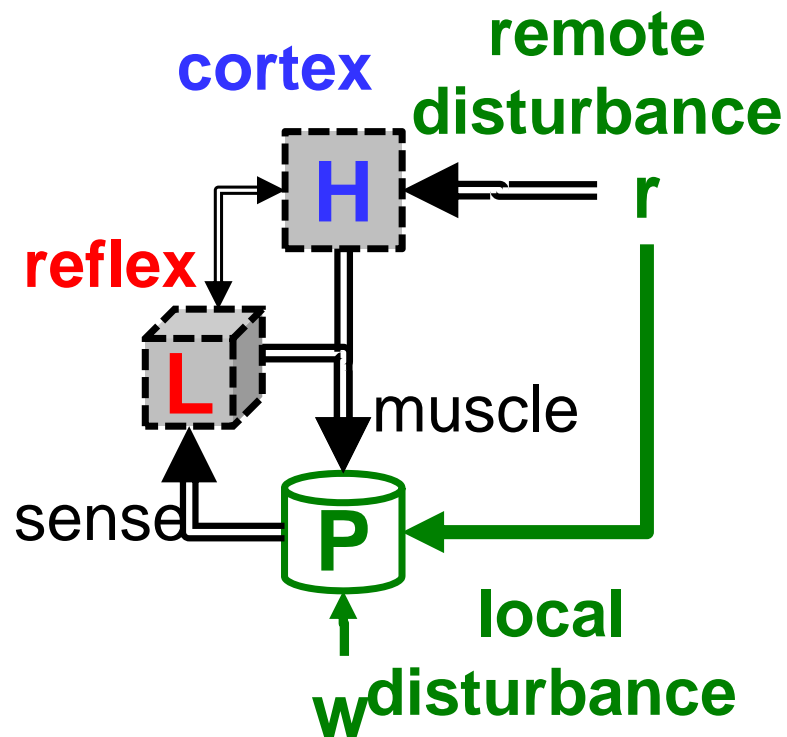
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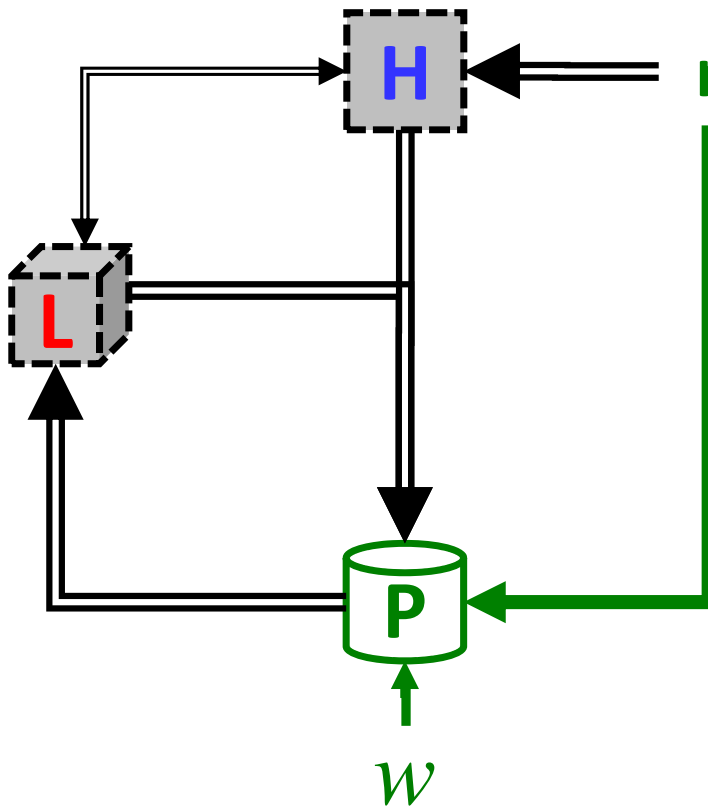


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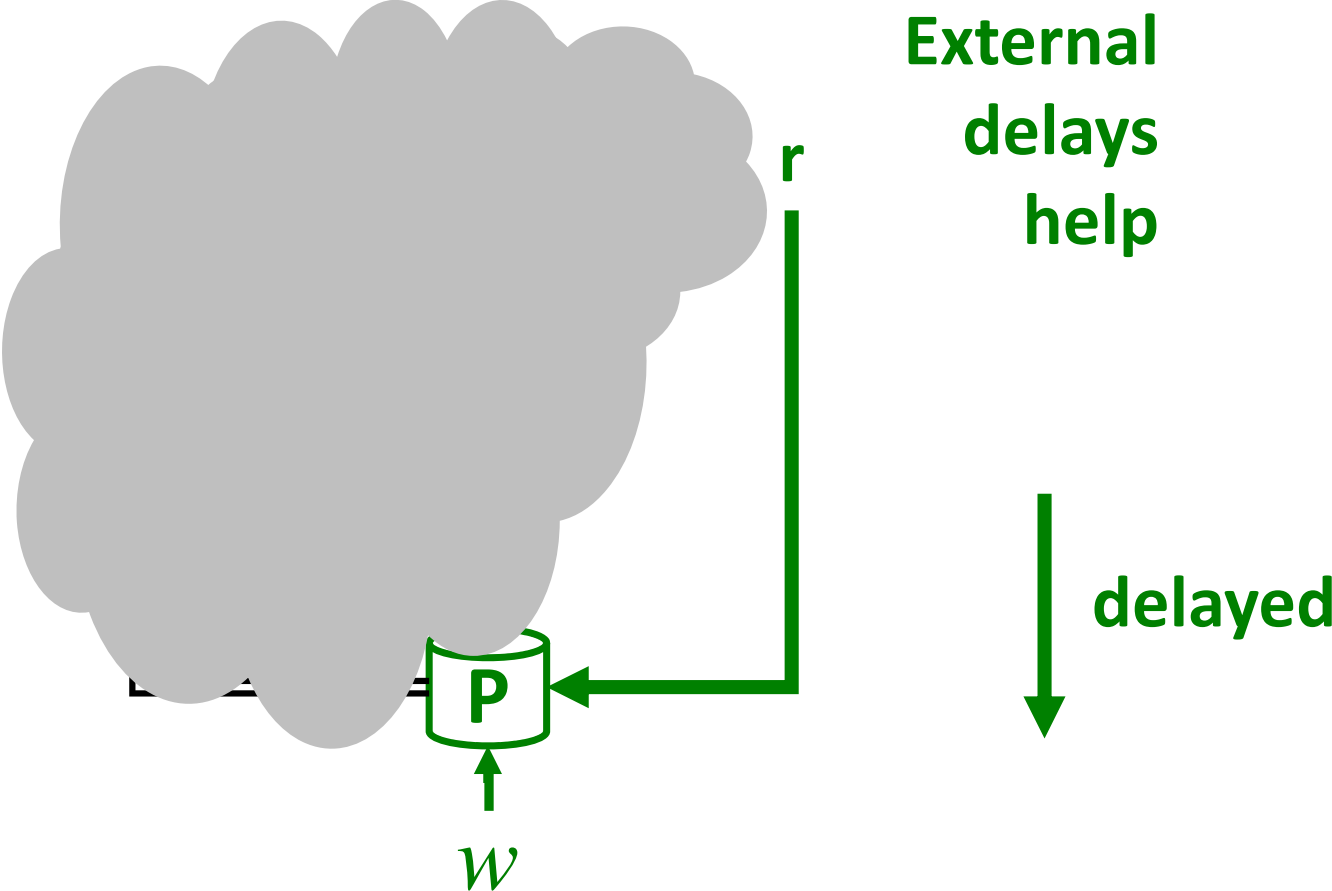
delayed and
quantized

compute

delayed and
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↓
delayed

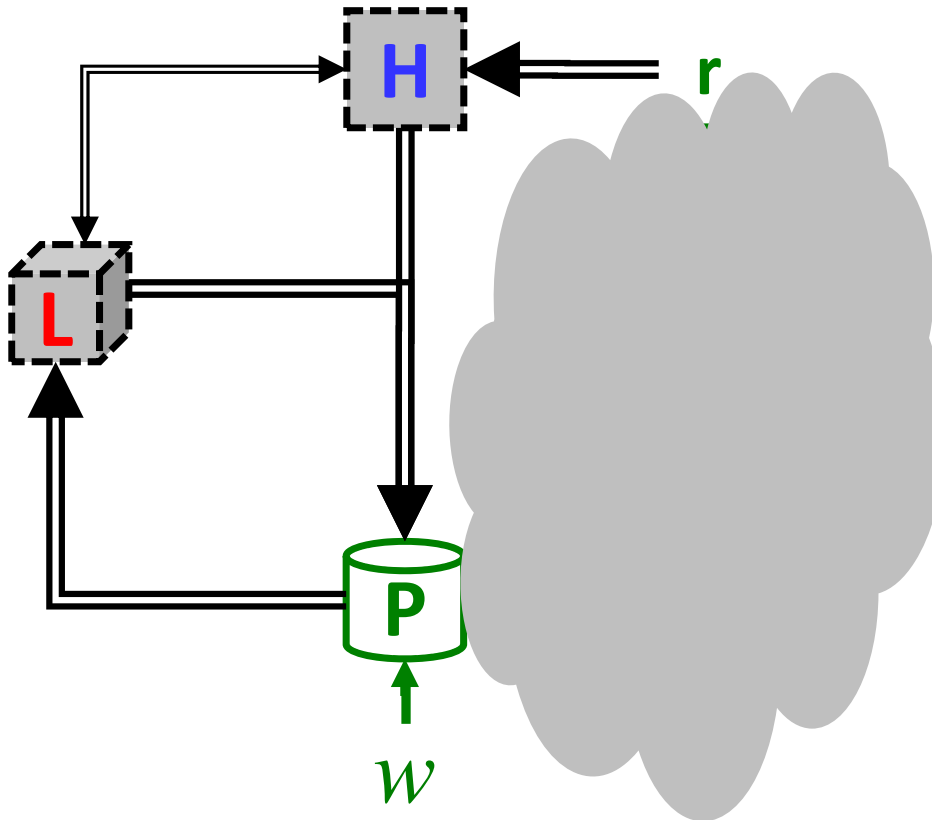
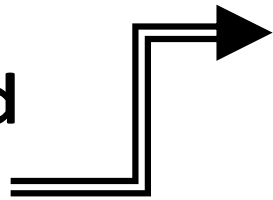


delayed and
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Internal
delays
hurt

delayed and
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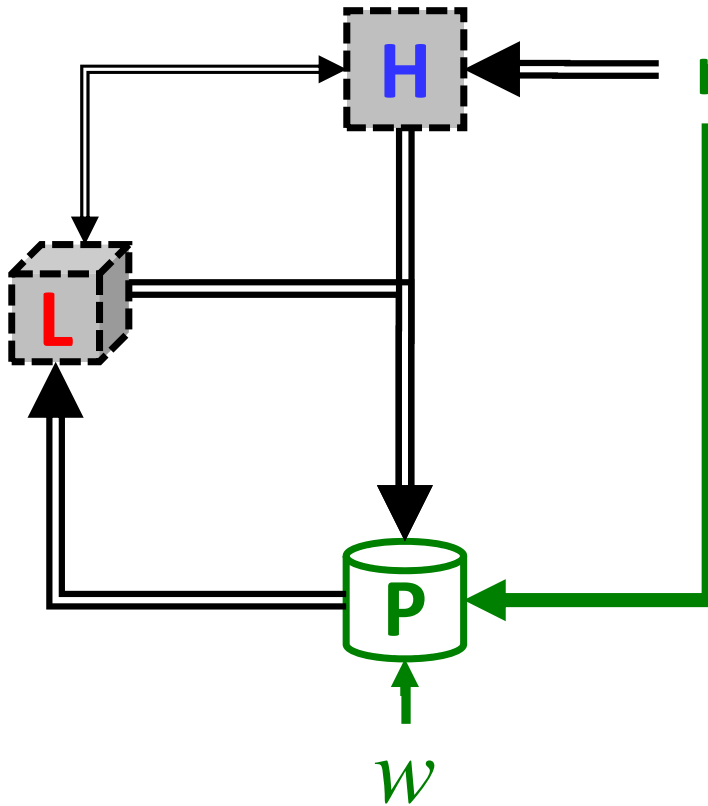


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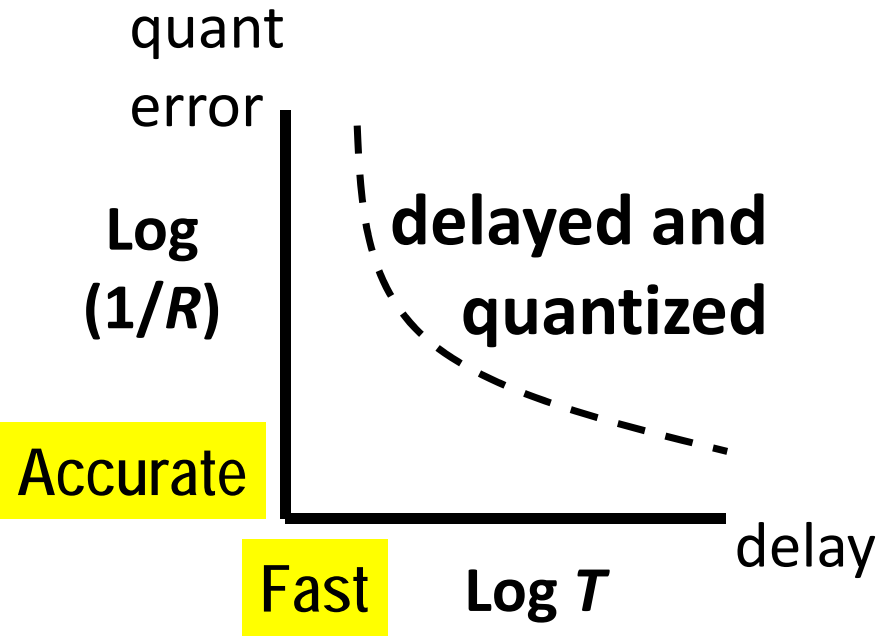
Relative delay is important

delayed and
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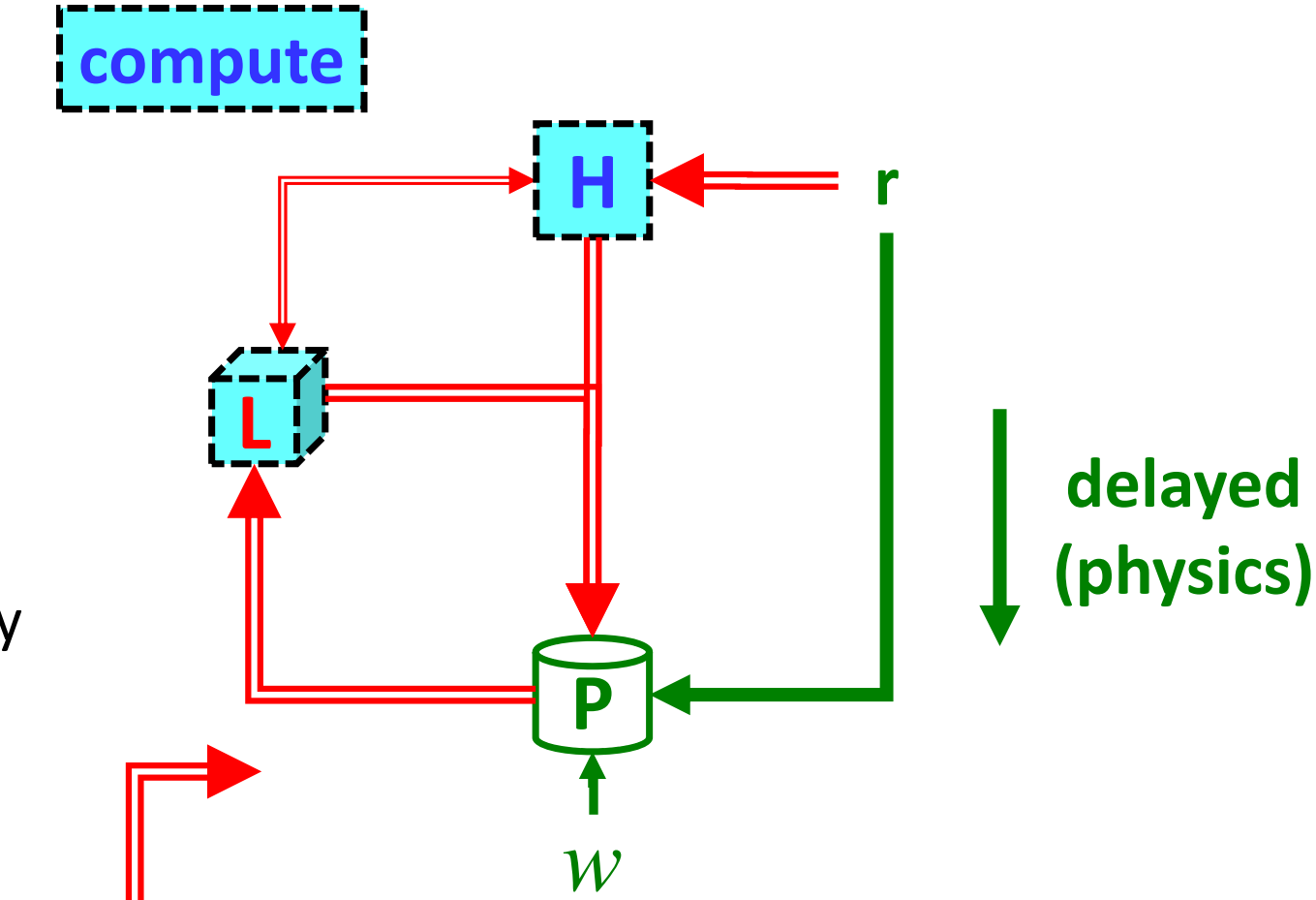
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Speed vs Accuracy



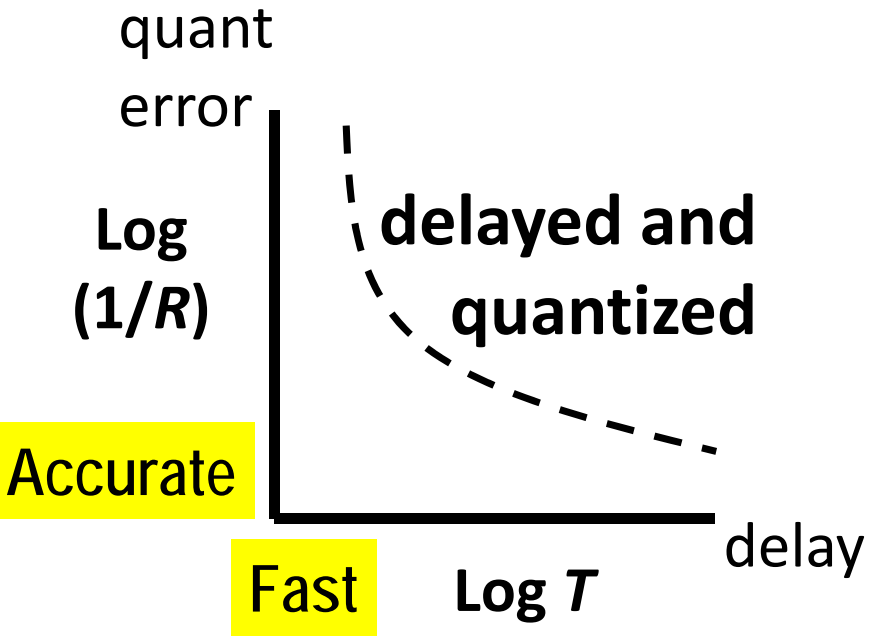
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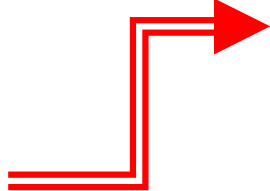


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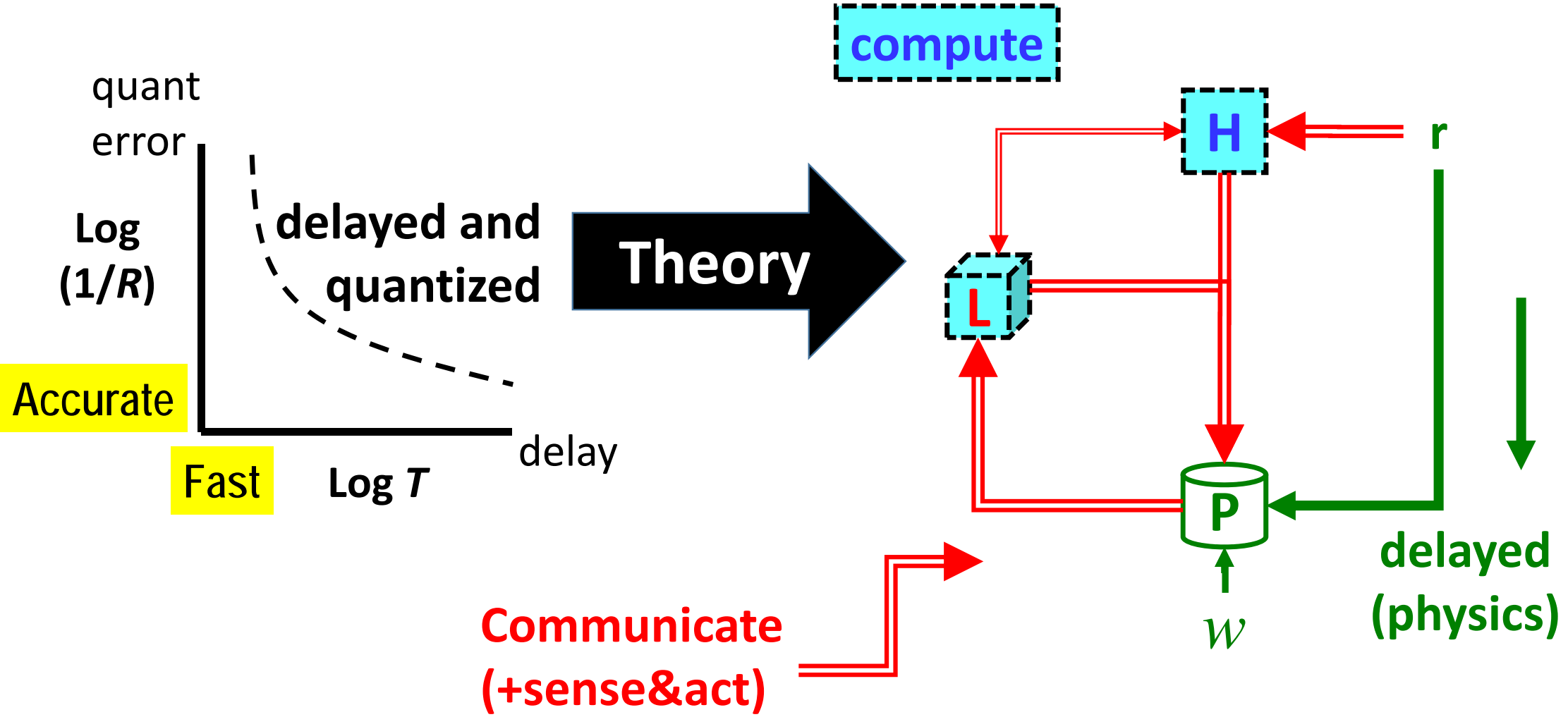
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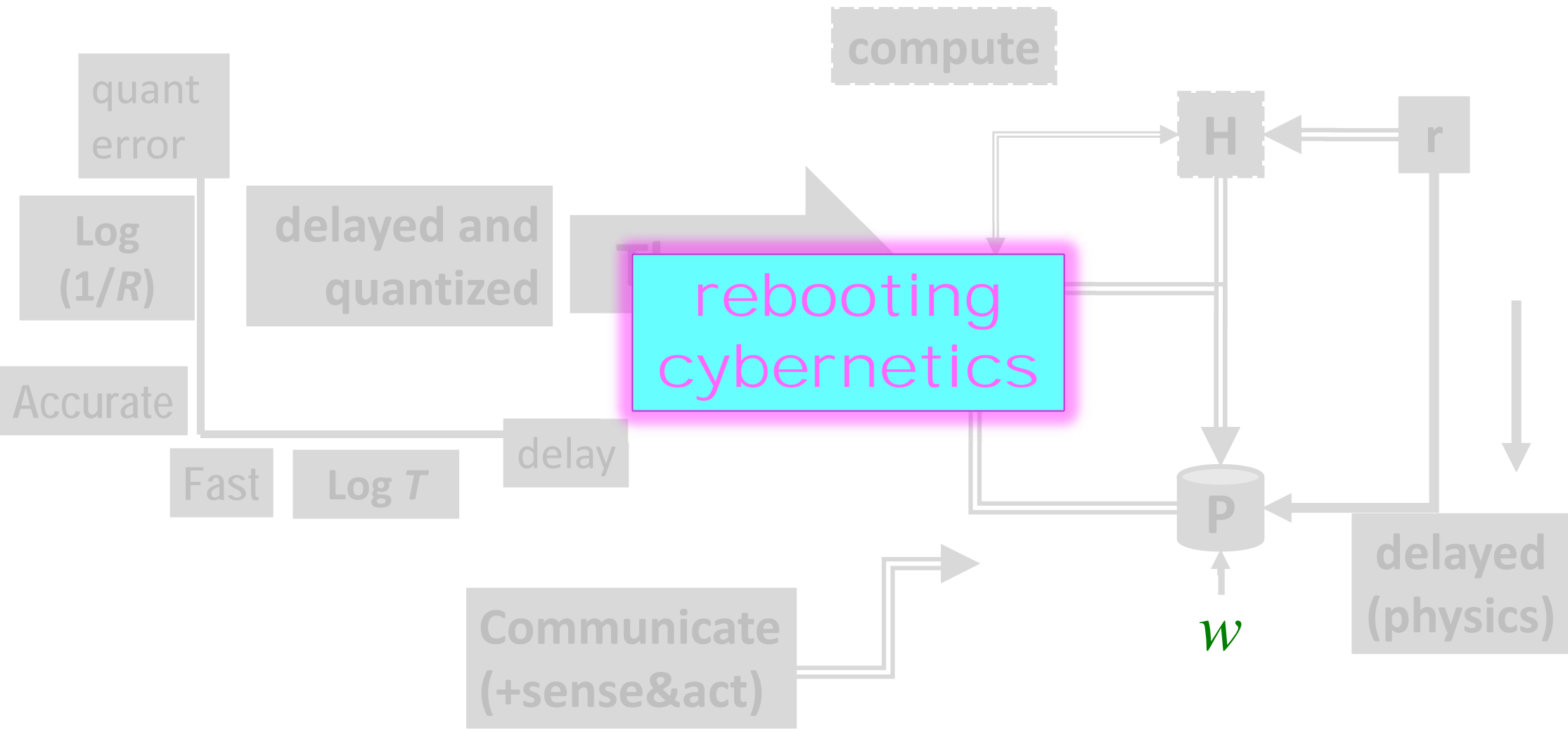


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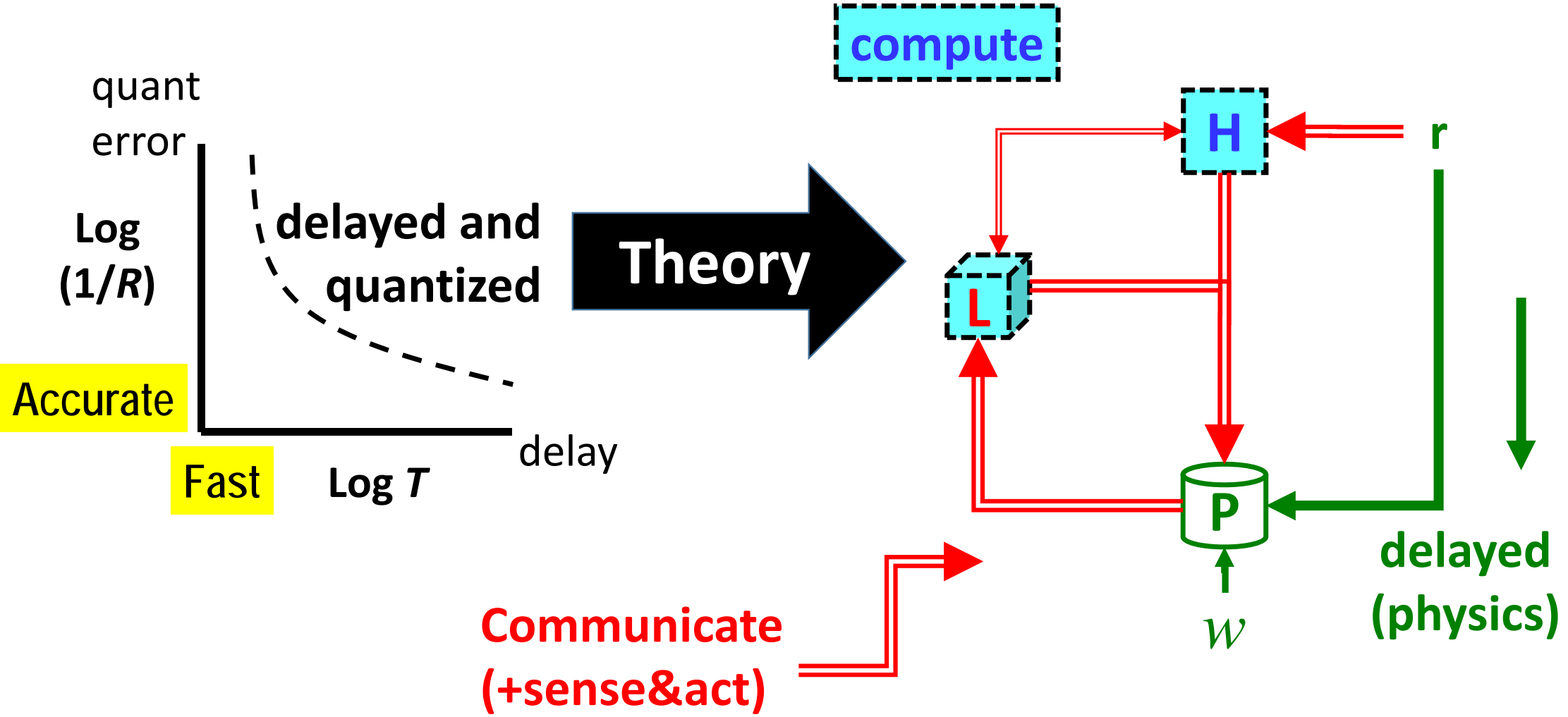
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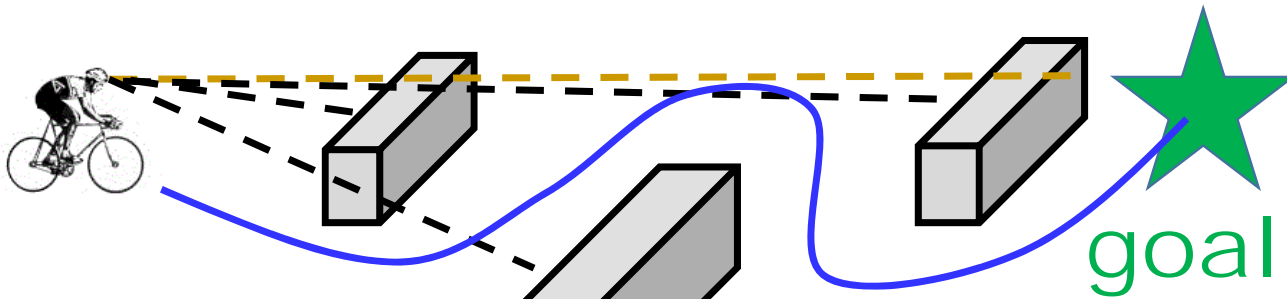
Speed vs Accuracy



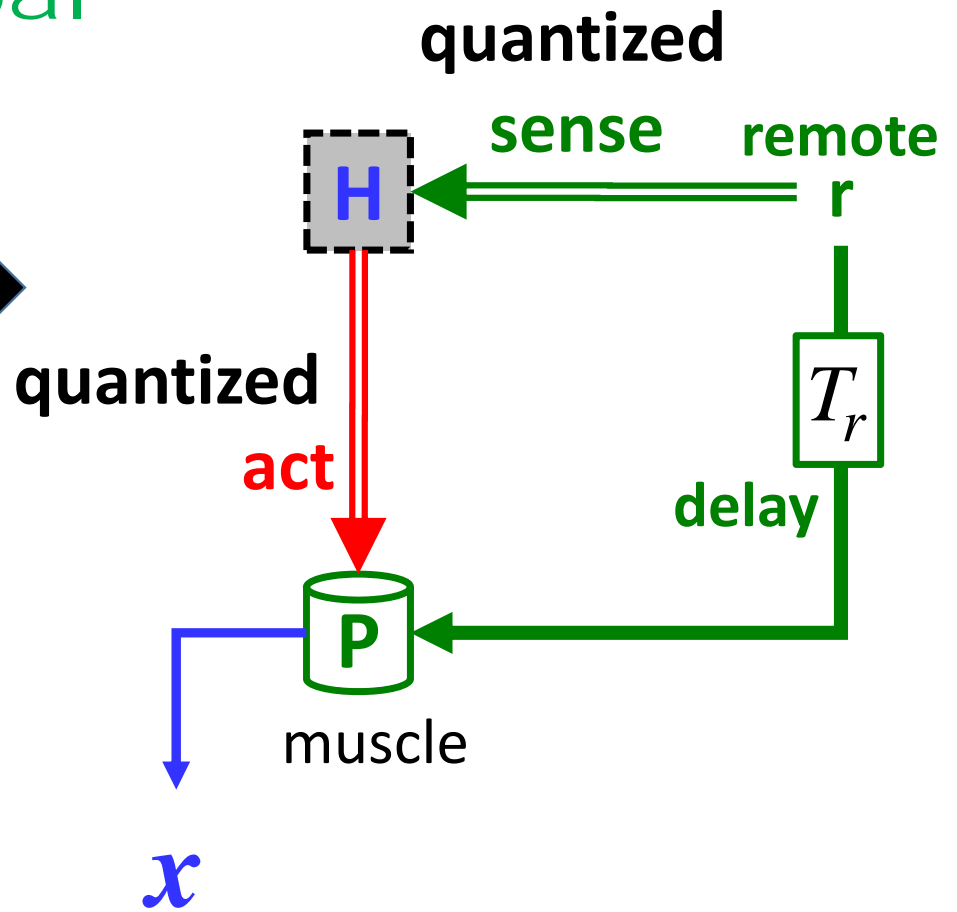
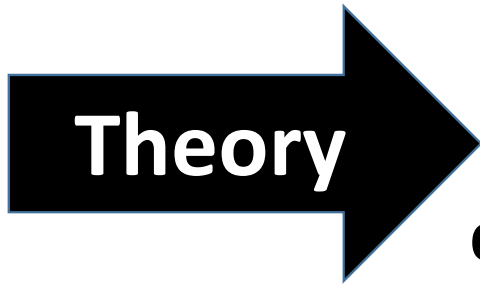


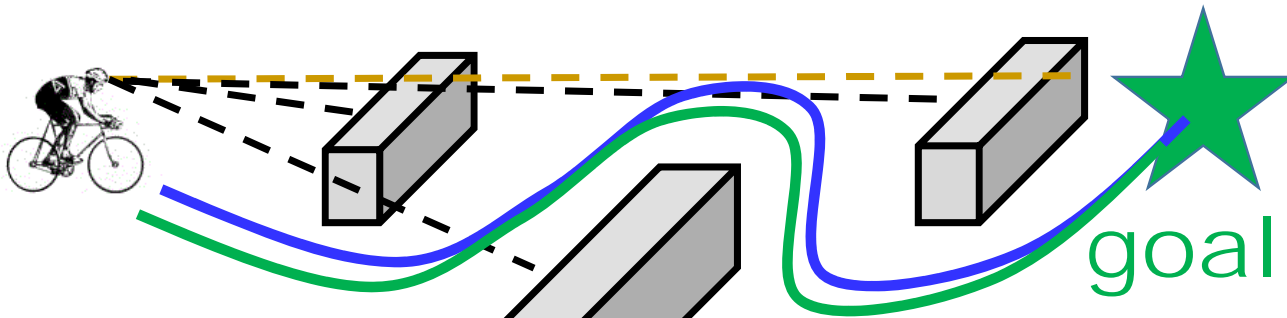
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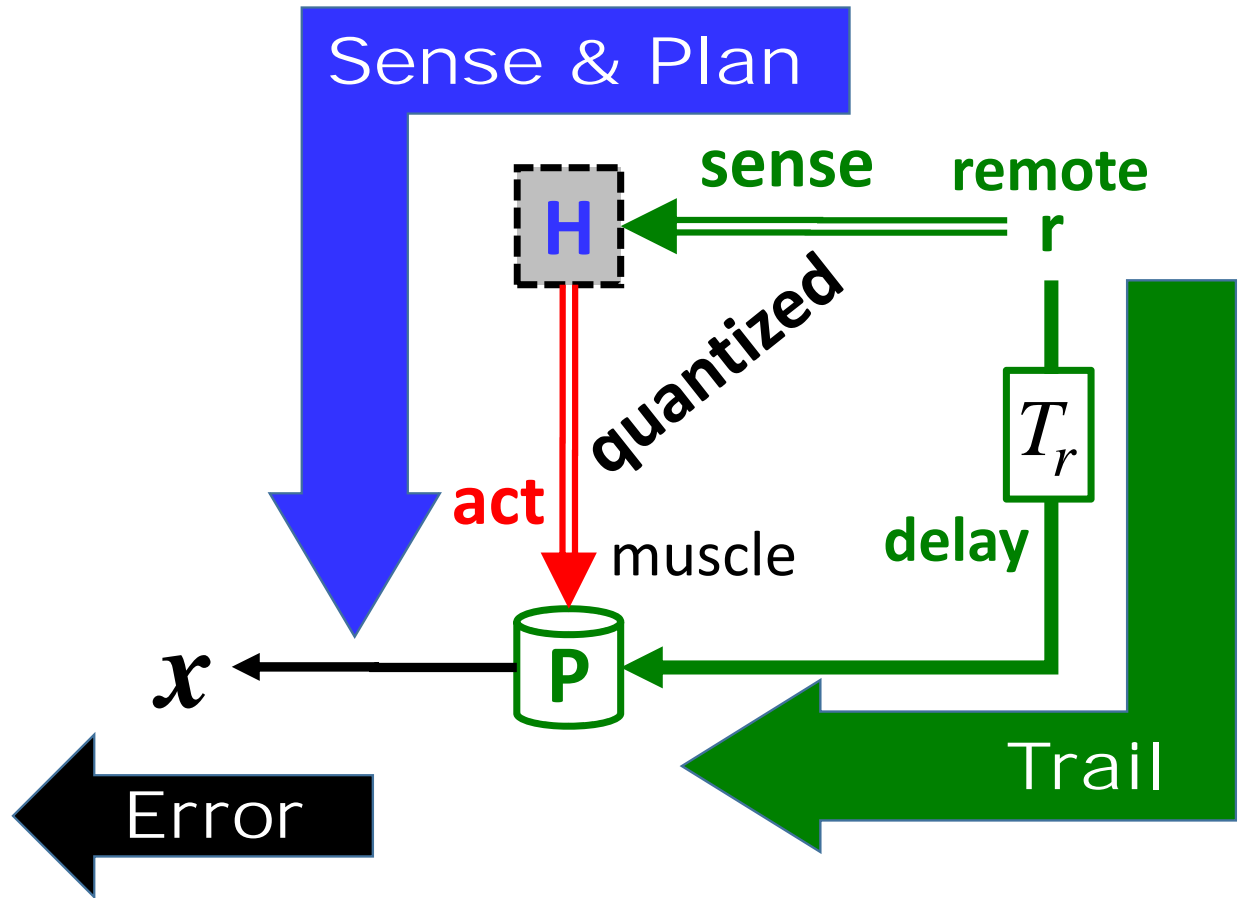
High layer
advanced warning
planning
large disturbance

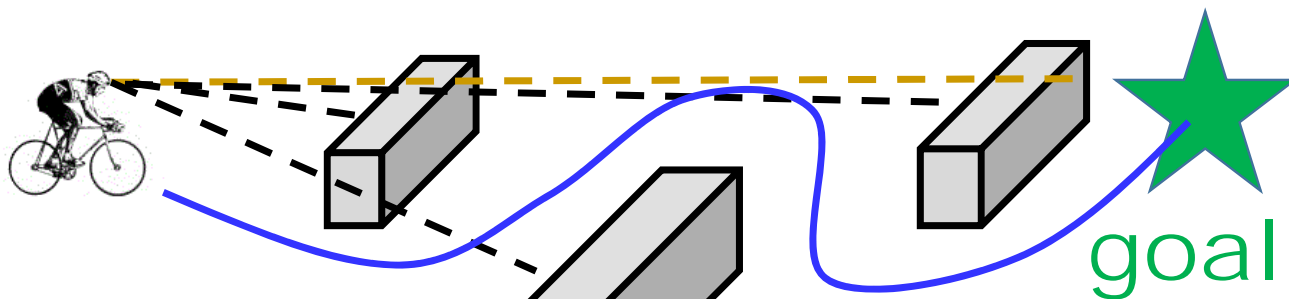




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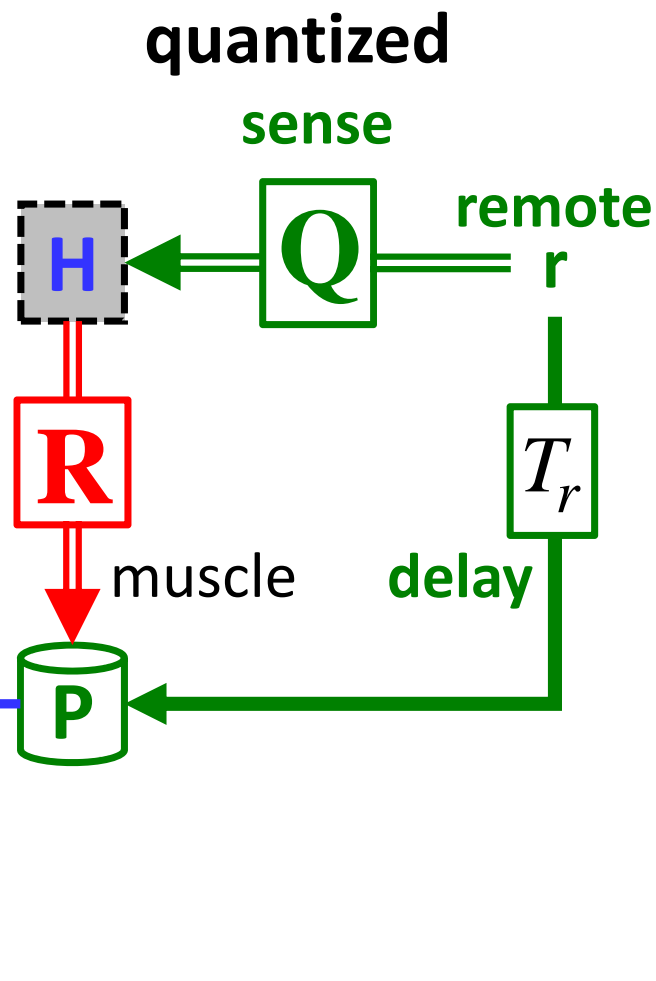
x large
 = crash

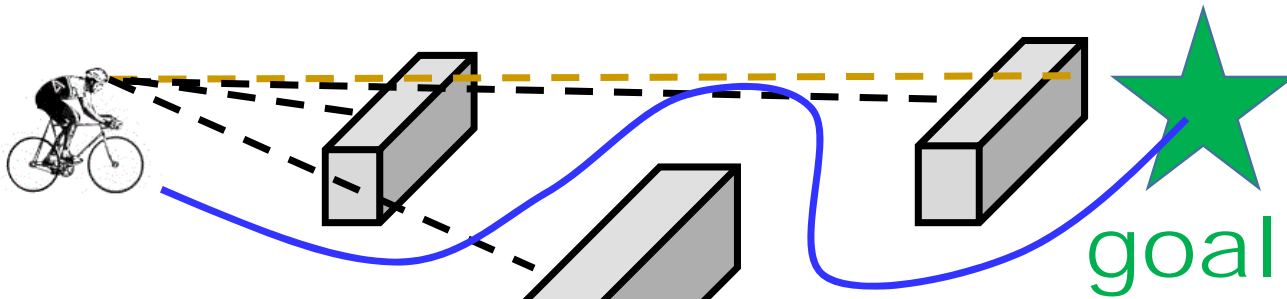




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quantized act

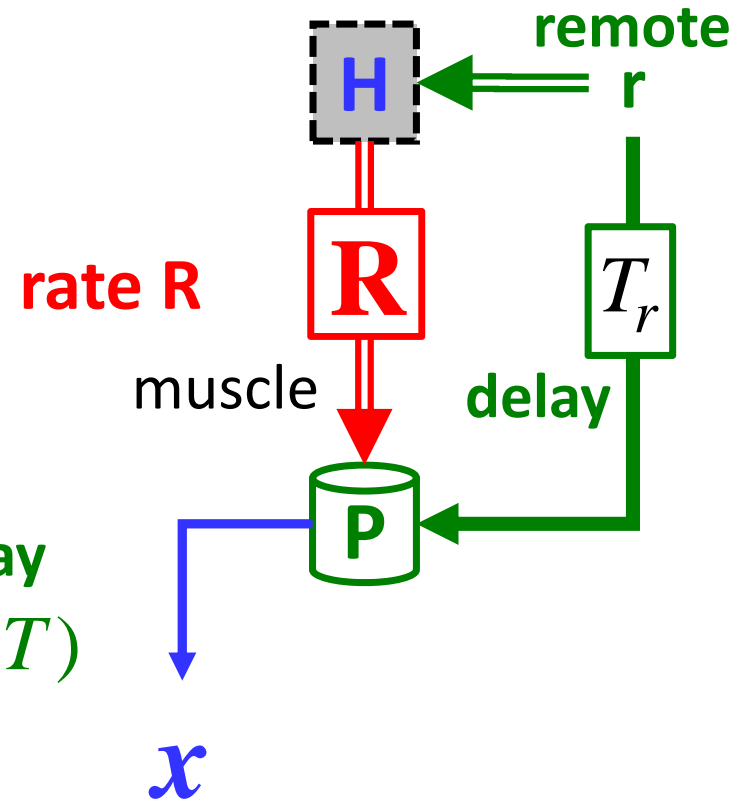


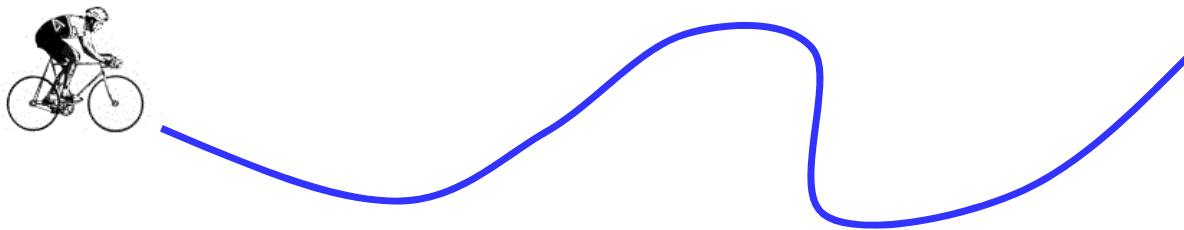


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$$x(t + 1) = ax(t) - \mathbf{R}[u(t)] + r(t - T)$$

dynamics

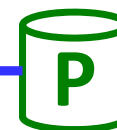




impulse
response

remote

r



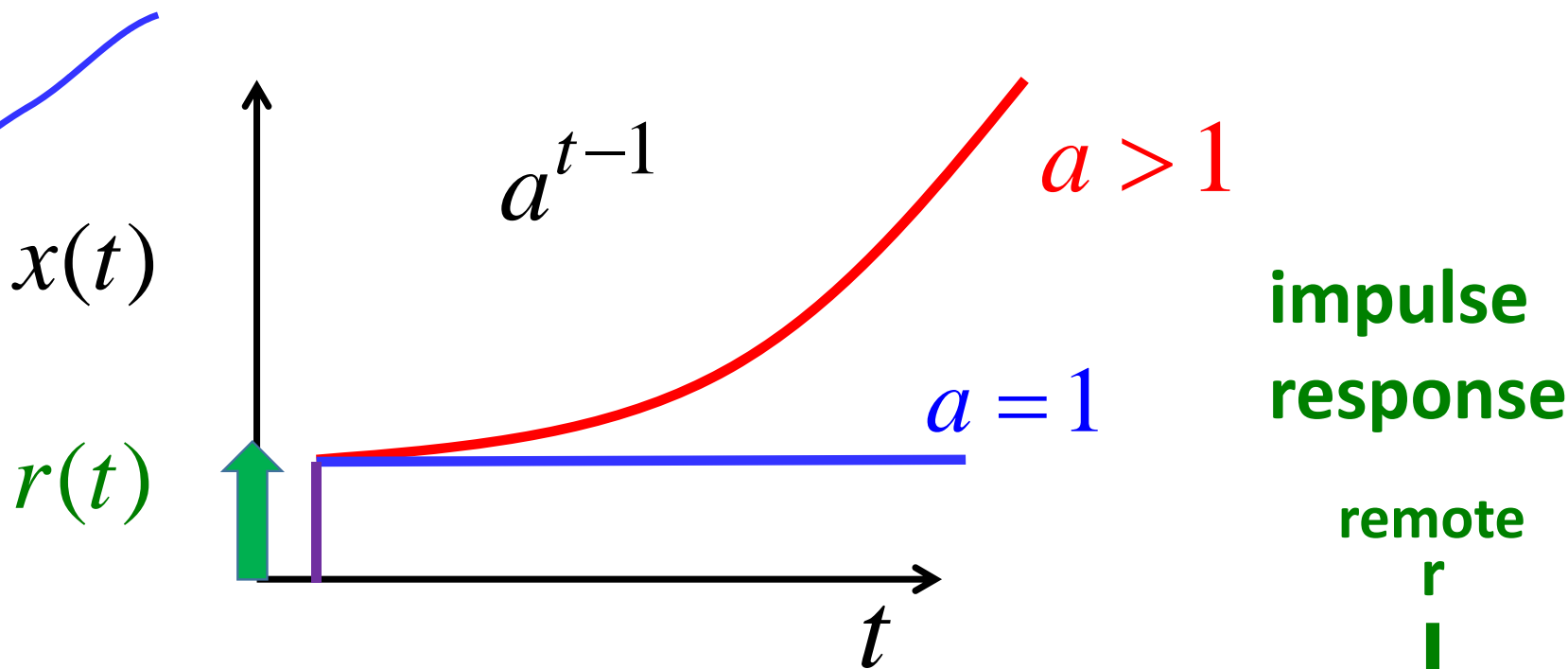
x

$$x(t + 1) = ax(t) + r(t)$$

dynamics



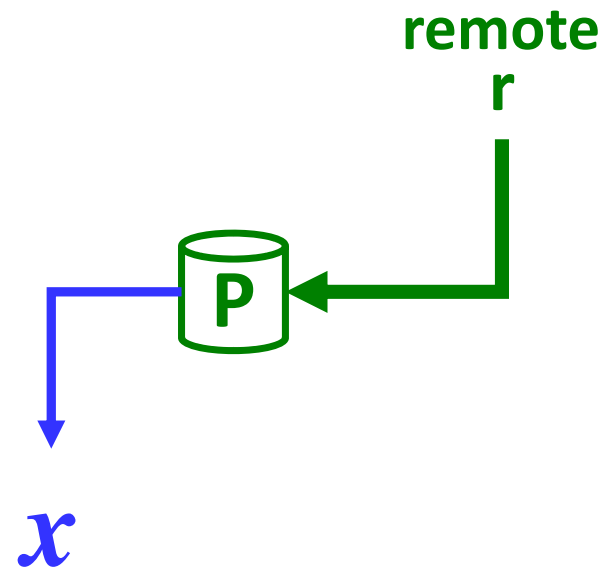
Error



$$x(t + 1) = ax(t) + r(t)$$

dynamics

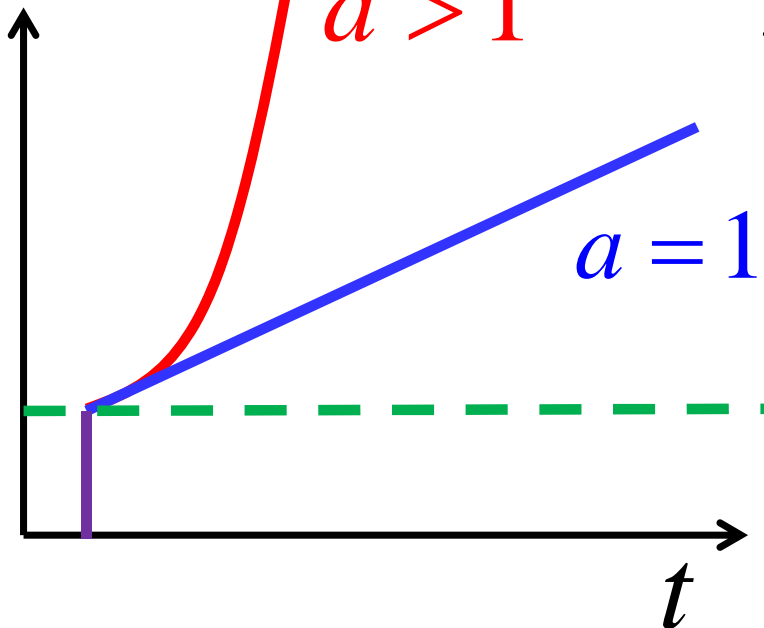
Error





$x(t)$

$r(t)$



$$\sum_{i=1}^T |a^{i-1}|$$

step
response

remote

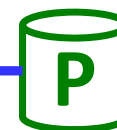
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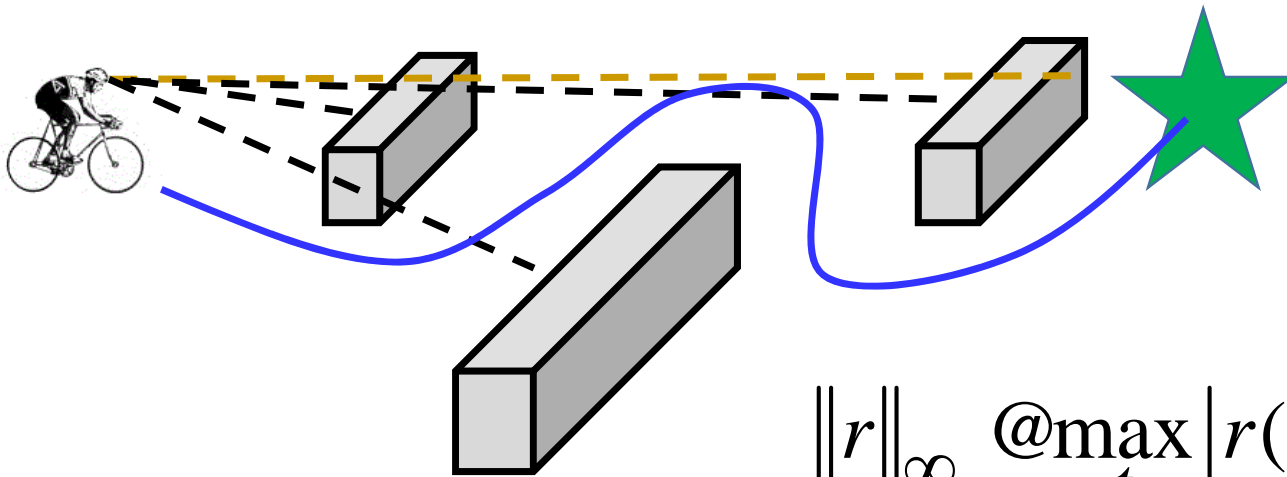
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dynamics

Error

x

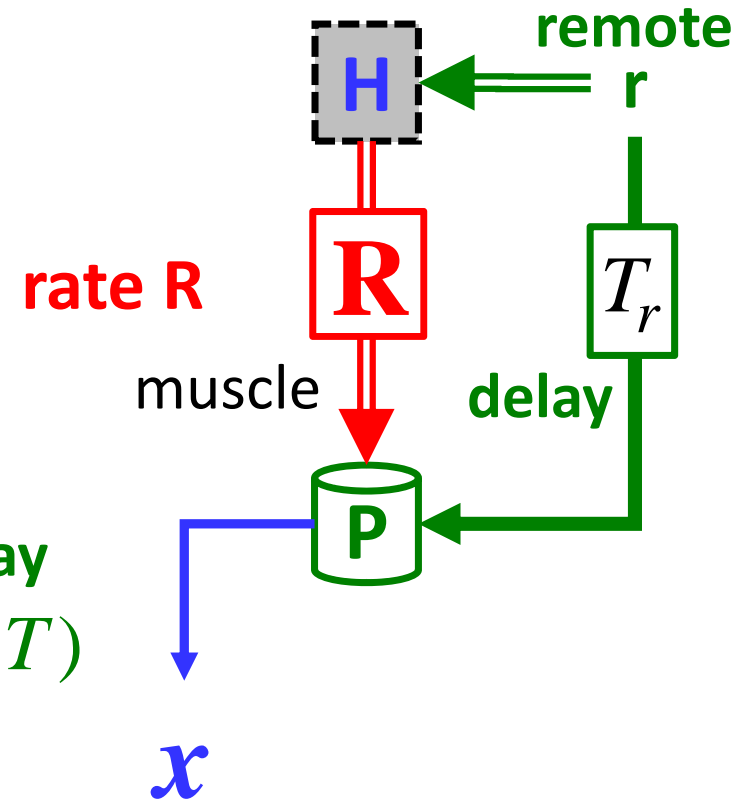




$$\|r\|_{\infty} \leq 1$$

$$\|r\|_{\infty} @ \max_t |r(t)|$$

$$\|x\|_{\infty} = ?$$



$$x(t+1) = ax(t) - \mathbf{R}[u(t)] + r(t-T)$$

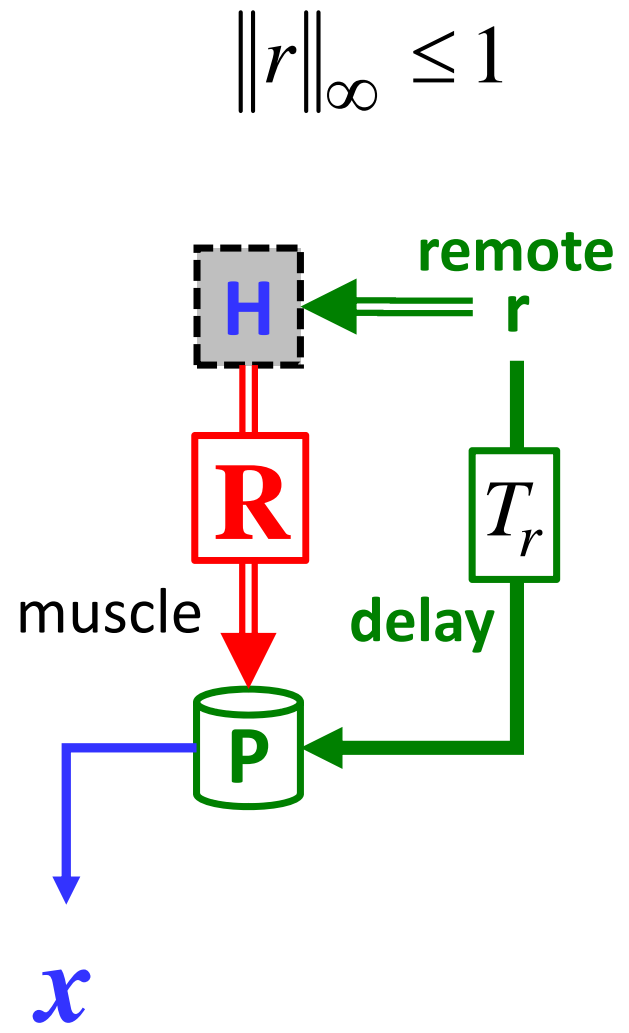
dynamics

Static rate distortion + dynamics

$$\min_{\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{R}} \max_{\|r\|_\infty \leq 1} \|x\|_\infty = \left(2^R - |a|\right)^{-1}$$

$$x(t+1) = ax(t) - \mathbf{R}[u(t)] + r(t-T)$$

dynamics



Static rate distortion

(Information theory)

$$\min_{\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{R}} \max_{\|\mathbf{r}\|_{\infty} \leq 1} \|x\|_{\infty} = \left(2^R - |a|\right)^{-1} = \left(2^R\right)^{-1}$$

R bits = 2^R levels

$$\mathbf{R}[u(t)] \approx r(t - T)$$

$$a = 0$$

$$x(t + 1) = ax(t) - \mathbf{R}[u(t)] + r(t - T)$$

dynamics

$$\min \max \|x\|_{\infty} = \left(2^R\right)^{-1}$$

R bits = 2^R levels

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quant **delay**

$$x(t + 1) = -\mathbf{R}[u(t)] + r(t - T)$$

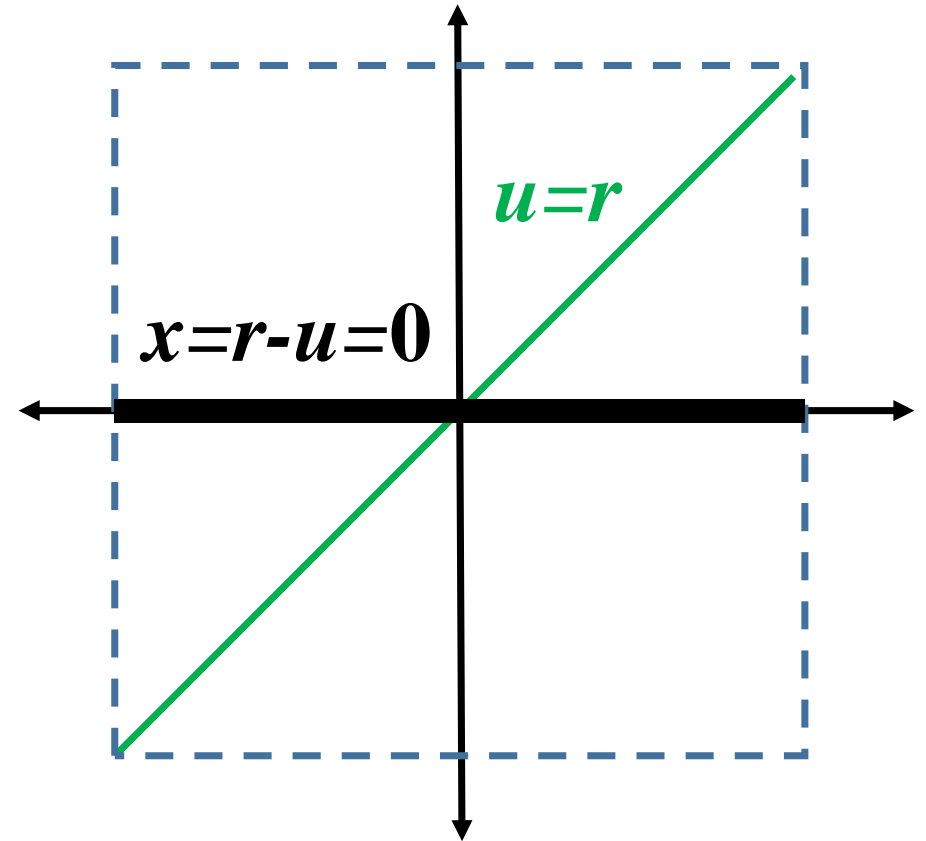
unquantized ($R \rightarrow \infty$)

$$\min \max \|x\|_{\infty} = \left(2^R\right)^{-1} \rightarrow 0$$

$$u = r(t - T)$$

quant **delay**

$$x(t + 1) = -\mathbf{R} [u(t)] + r(t - T)$$



unquantized ($R = \infty$)

Ideally $u = r$

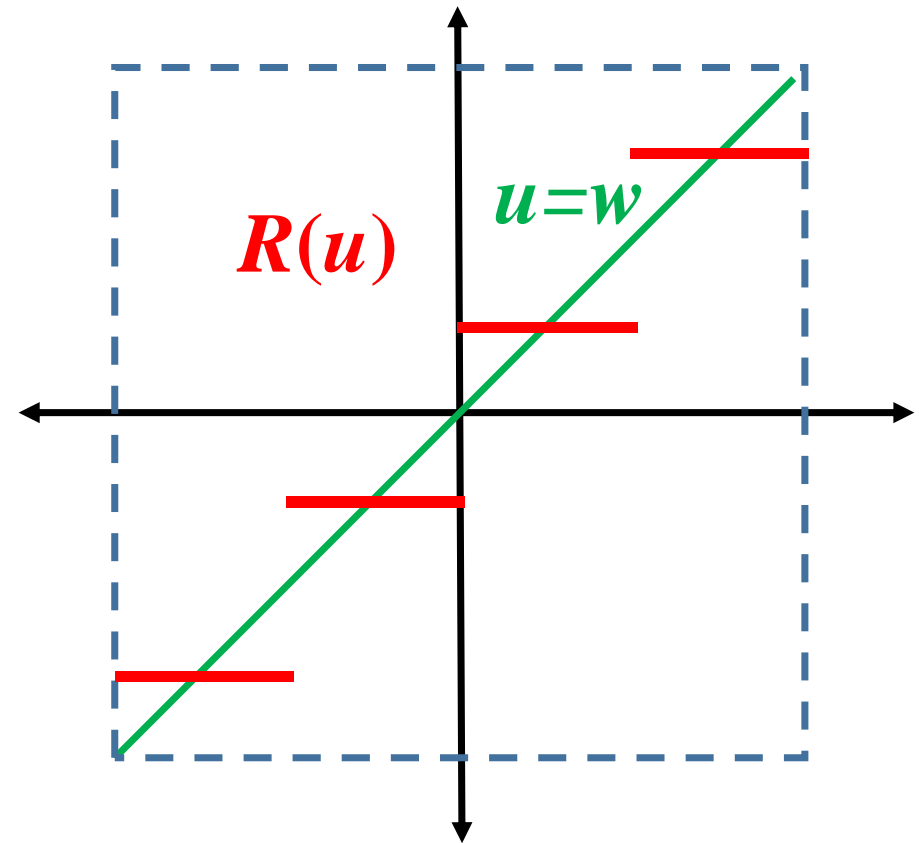
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quant **delay**

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quantized $R=2$

$2^2 = 4$ levels

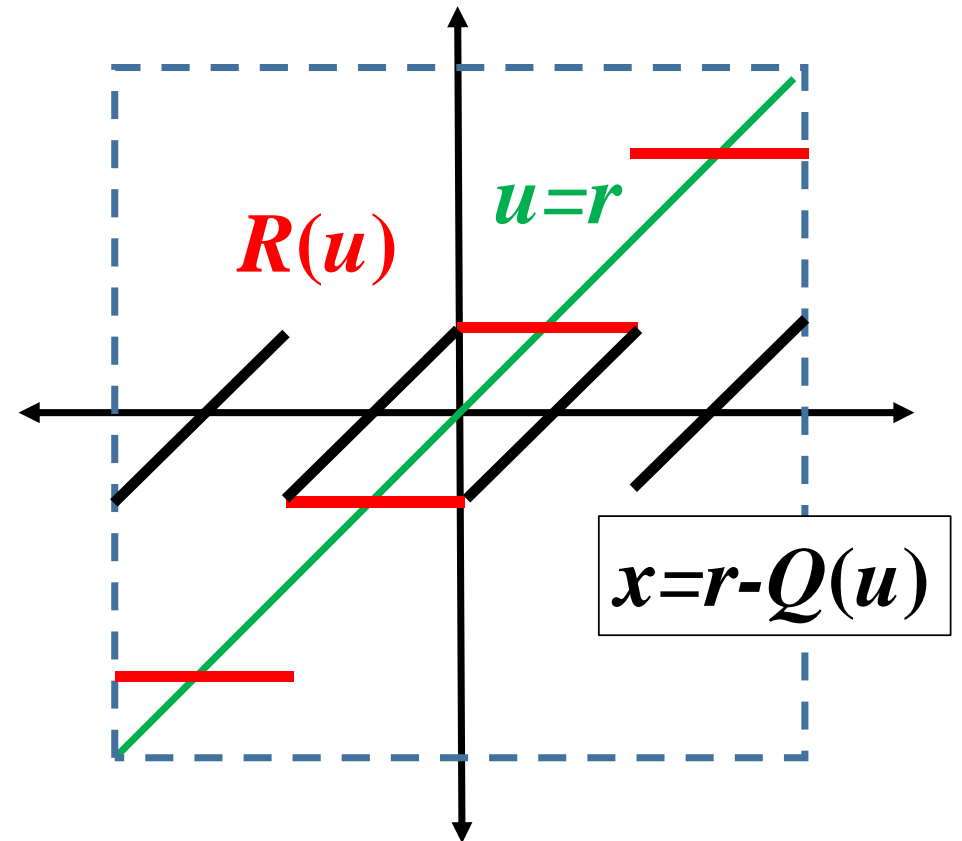
$$\min \max \|x\|_{\infty} = \left(2^R\right)^{-1}$$

R bits = 2^R levels

$$\mathbf{R}[u(t)] \approx r(t - T)$$

quant **delay**

$$x(t + 1) = -\mathbf{R}[u(t)] + r(t - T)$$



$$|r - R(u)| = 2^{-R} = 2^{-2} = 1/4$$

Static rate distortion + dynamics

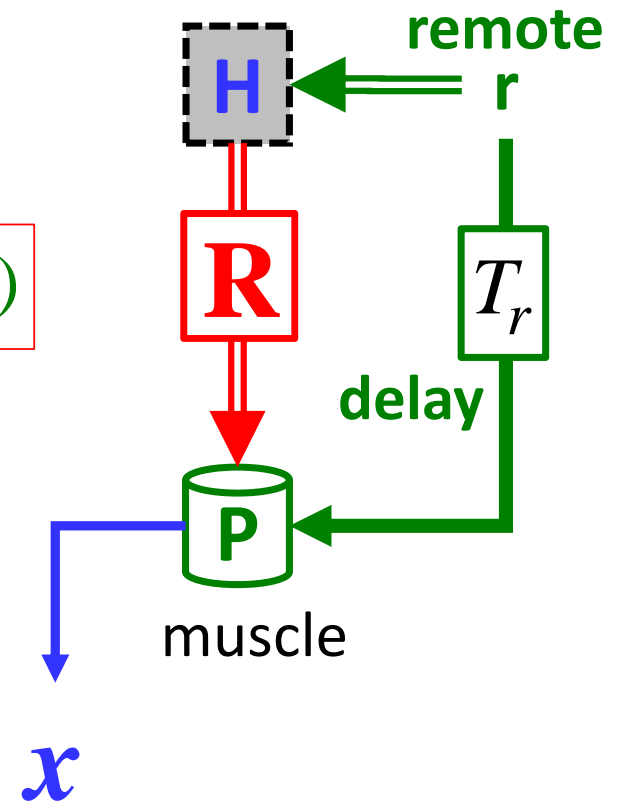
$$\|r\|_{\infty} \leq 1$$

$$\min_{\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{R}} \max_{\|r\|_{\infty} \leq 1} \|x\|_{\infty} = \left(2^R - |a|\right)^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{R}[u(t)] \approx ax(t) + r(t - T)$$

$$x(t + 1) = ax(t) - \mathbf{R}[u(t)] + r(t - T)$$

dynamics



Summary so far

$$\boxed{\mathbf{H}} \quad u(t) = f(x(0:t), r(0:t), u(0:t-1))$$

$\boxed{\mathbf{R}}$ Quantizer (R bits/time)

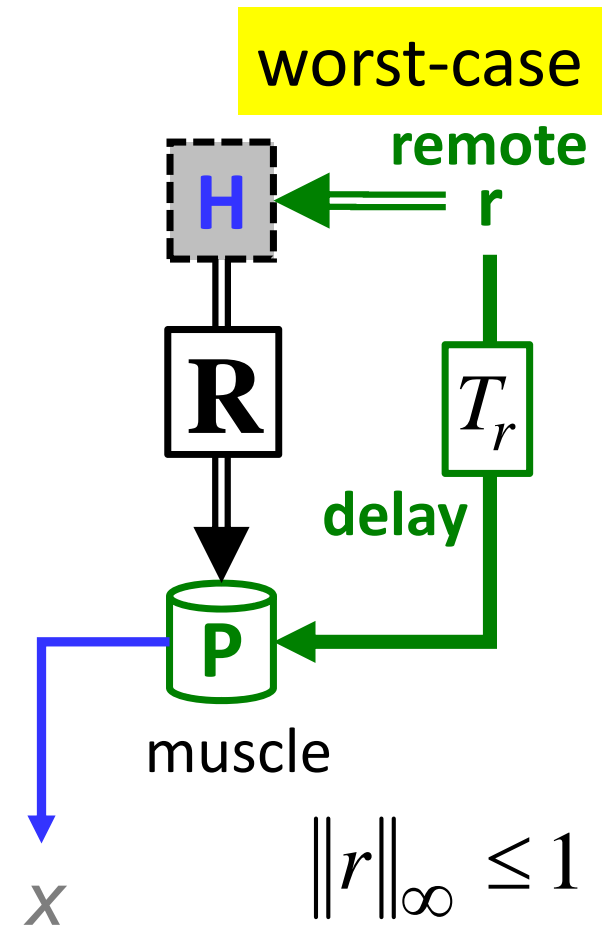
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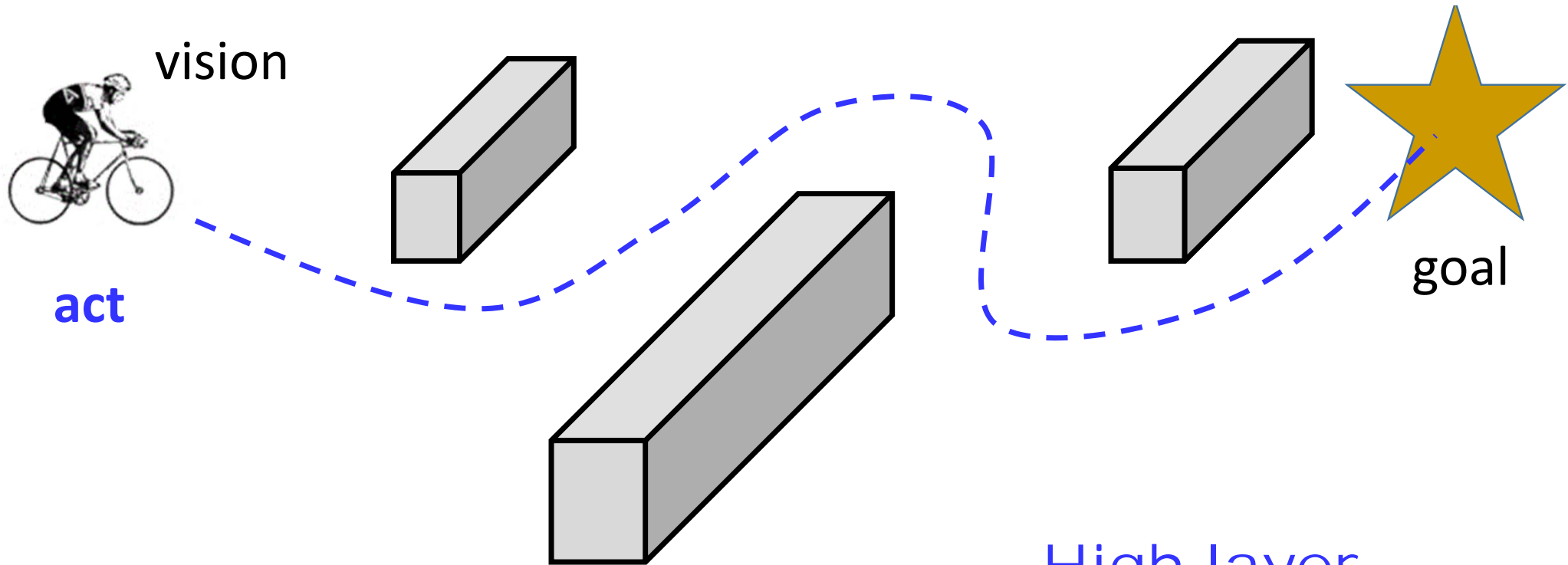
dynamics
quant
advance

optimal $\mathbf{R}[u(t)] = \mathbf{R}[ax(t) + r(t-T)]$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{H}} \quad \boxed{\mathbf{R}} \quad \min_{\|\mathbf{r}\|_\infty \leq 1} \max_{\|\mathbf{r}\|_\infty \leq 1} \|x\|_\infty = \left(2^R - |a|\right)^{-1}$$

Full information



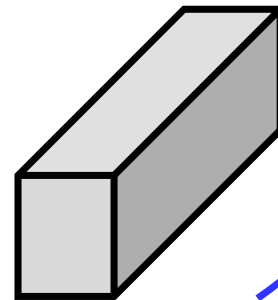
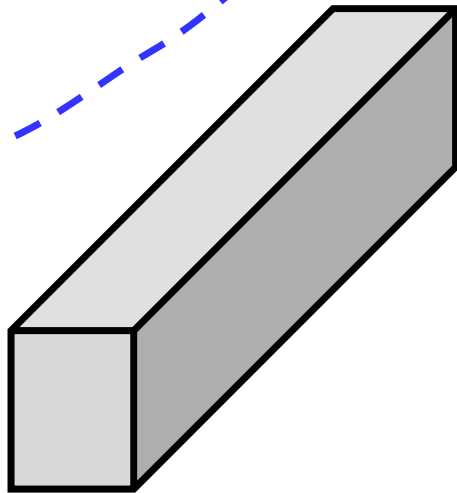
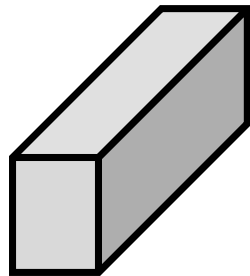


High layer
 advanced warning
 planning
 large disturbance
 small error

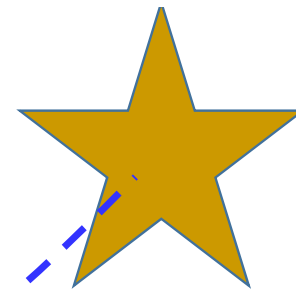
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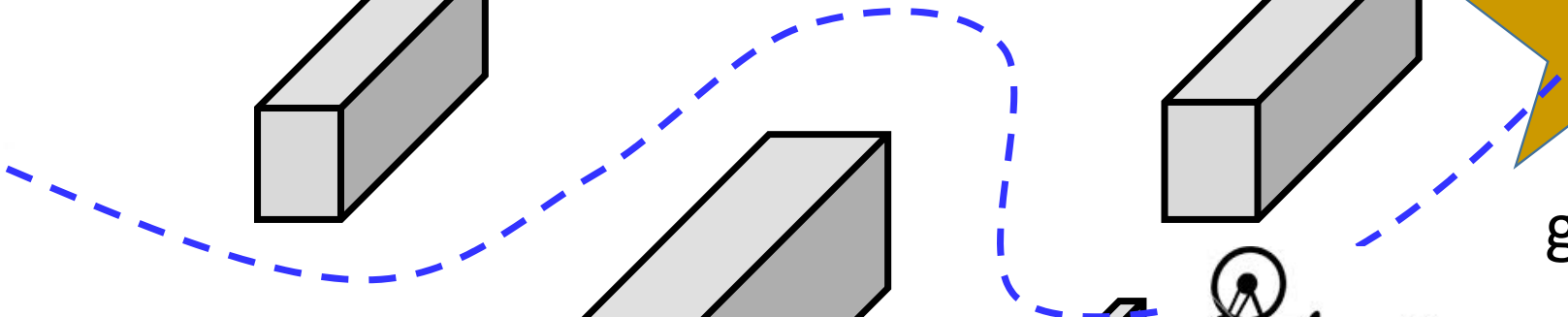
plan



crash



goal



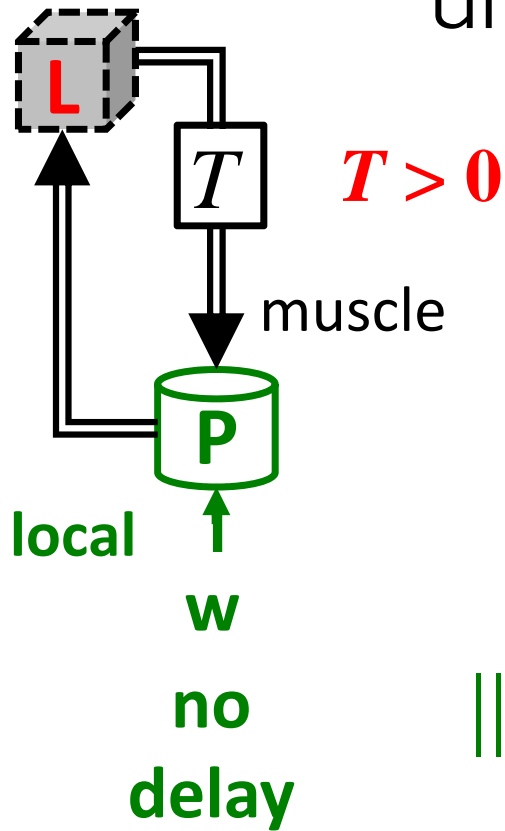
avoiding a crash

Lower layer
delayed
reflexes
small disturbance
large error



crash

unstable+delay



no
delay

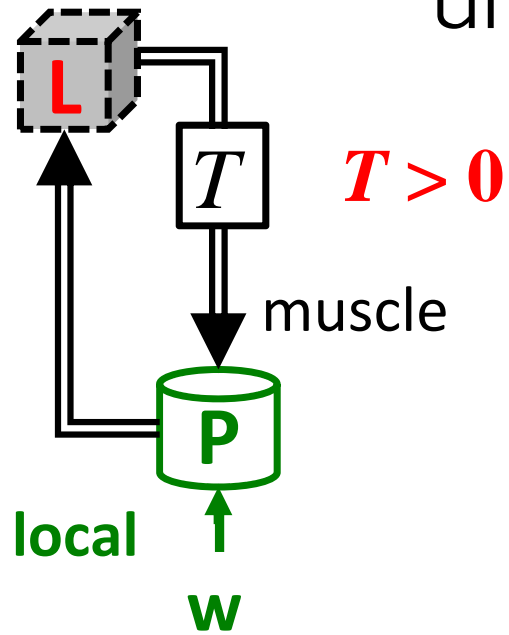
$$x(t+1) = ax(t) - u(t-T) + w(t)$$

delay

$$\|w\|_{\infty} = \sup_t |w(t)| \leq \delta \ll 1$$

But temporarily $\delta = 1$

unstable+delay

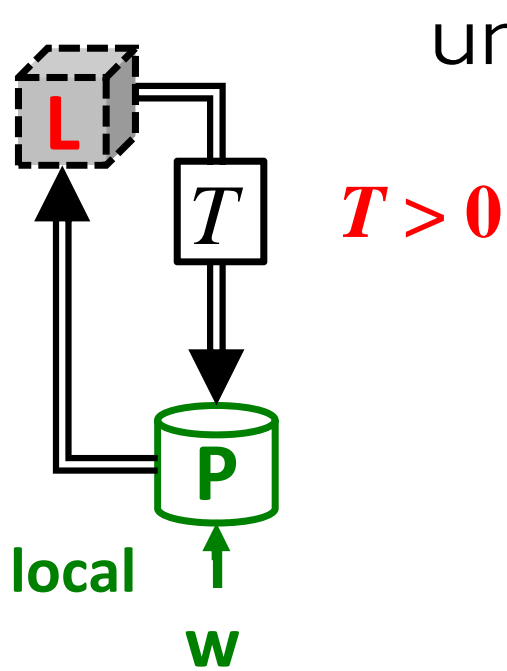


no
delay

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delay

$$\min_{\text{L}} \sup_{\|w\|_{\infty} \leq 1} \|x\|_{\infty} ?$$



Full information

$$u(t) = f(x(0:t), w(0:t), u(0:t-1))$$

$$x(t+1) = ax(t) - \underbrace{u(t-T)}_{\text{delay}} + w(t)$$

$$\min_{\substack{\text{L} \\ \|w\|_\infty \leq 1}} \sup \|x\|_\infty = \sum_{i=1}^T |a^{i-1}|$$

unstable+delay

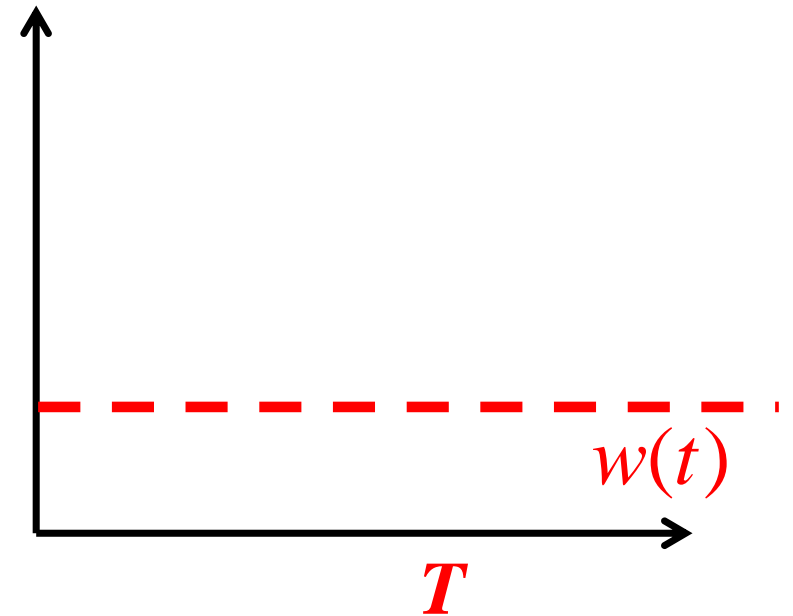
Full information

$$u(t) = f(x(0:t), w(0:t), u(0:t-1))$$

$$x(t+1) = ax(t) - \underset{\text{delay}}{u(t-T)} + w(t)$$

- **Worst case $w(t) = \text{unit step}$.**
- $u(t)=0$ for $t < T$

$$\min_{\boxed{L}} \sup_{\|w\|_{\infty} \leq 1} \|x\|_{\infty} = \sum_{i=1}^T |a^{i-1}|$$



unstable+delay

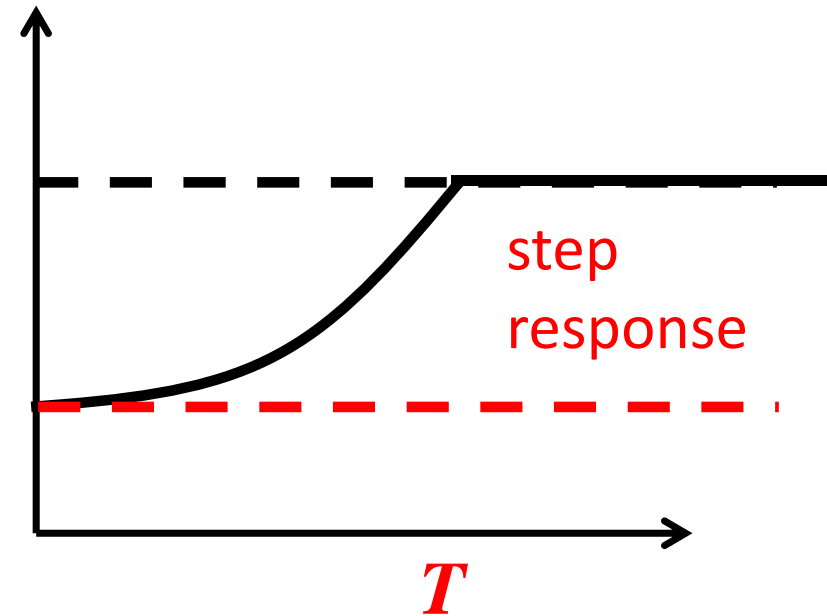
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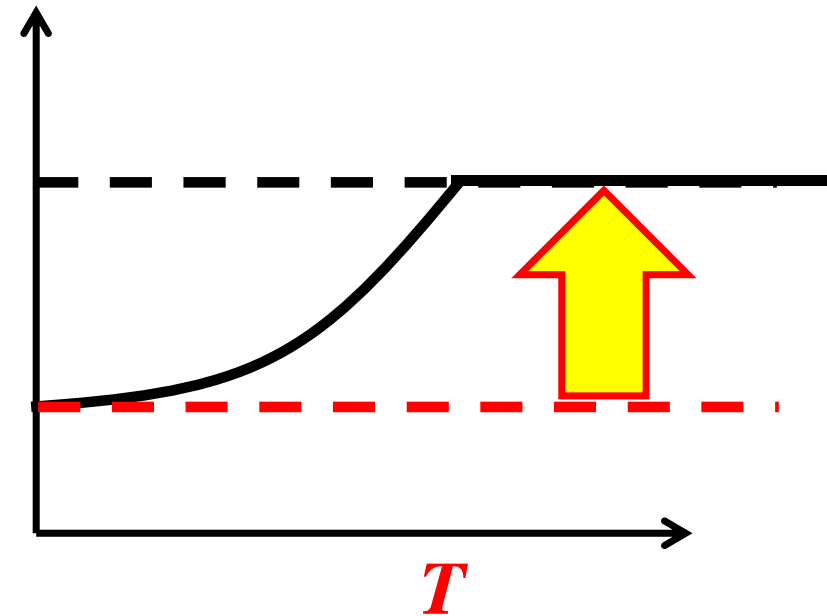


unstable+delay = amplify disturbance

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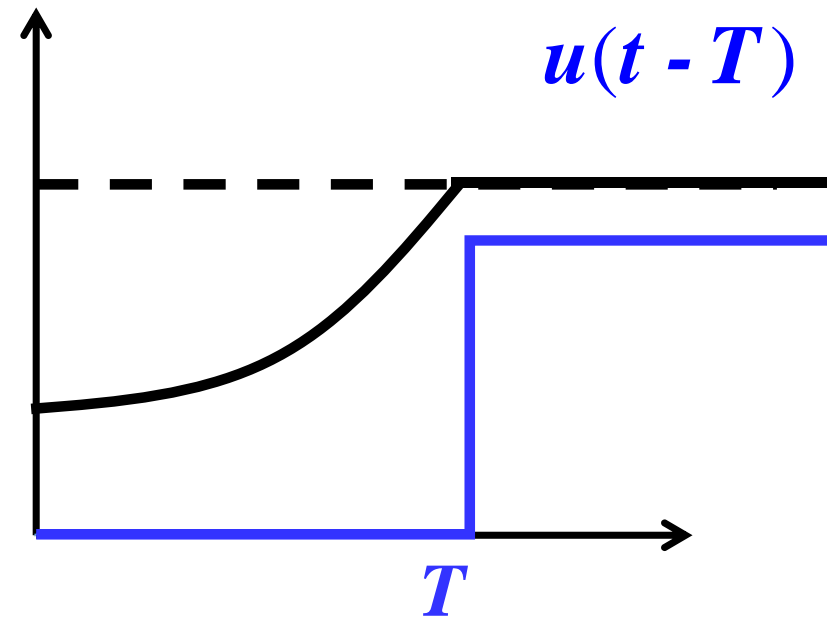


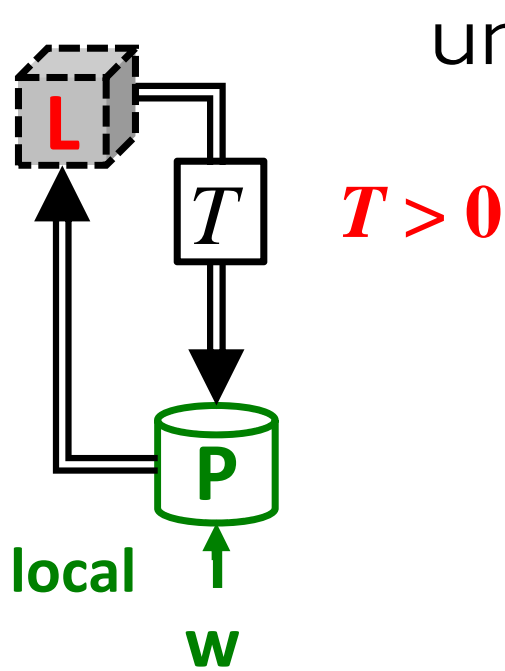
Intuition (almost a proof)

$$x(t+1) = ax(t) - \underbrace{u(t-T)}_{\text{delay}} + w(t)$$

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Full information

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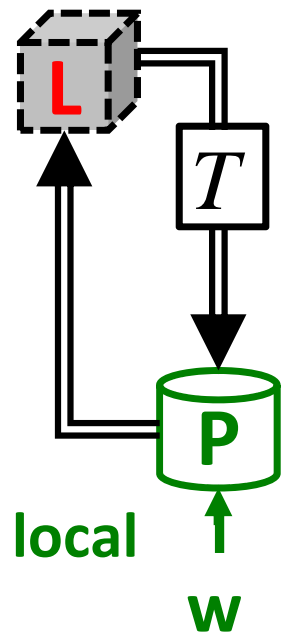
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delay

$$l_\infty \Rightarrow l_1$$

$$\min_{\substack{\text{L} \\ \|w\|_\infty \leq 1}} \sup \|x\|_\infty = \sum_{i=1}^T |a^{i-1}| = \|h\|_1$$

$h(t)$ = closed loop impulse response



control saturation

Full information

$$u(t) = f(x(0:t), w(0:t), u(0:t-1))$$

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delay

Minimum control

$$\min_{\substack{\text{L} \\ \|w\|_\infty \leq 1}} \sup \|x\|_\infty = \sum_{i=1}^T |a^{i-1}|$$

$$\sup_{\|w\|_\infty \leq 1} \|u\|_\infty = |a^T|$$

control saturation

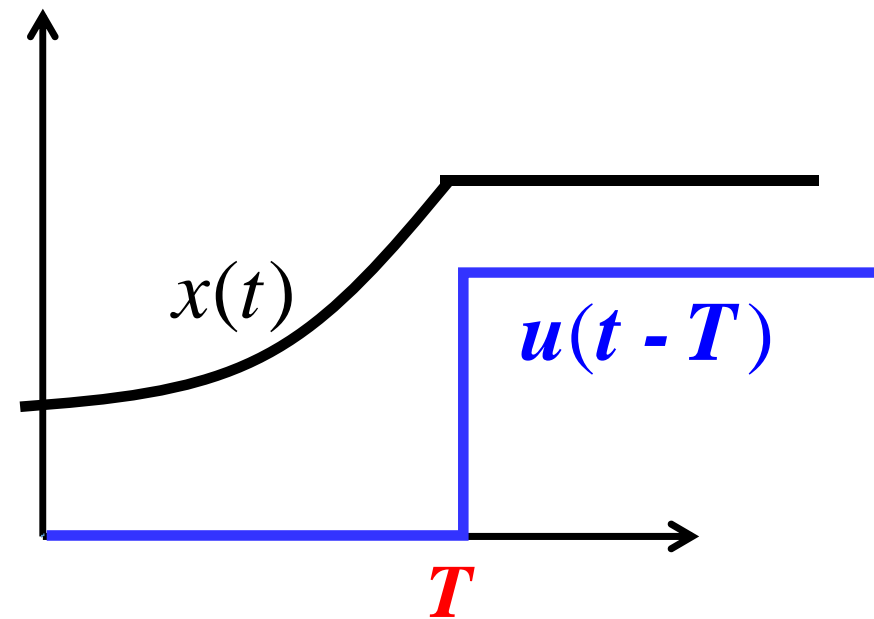
Minimum saturation level that stabilizes

$$\min_{\substack{\text{L} \\ \|\mathcal{W}\|_{\infty} \leq 1}} \sup \|u\|_{\infty} = \begin{cases} |a^T| & |a| \geq 1 \\ 0 & |a| < 1 \end{cases}$$

stabilizing

unstable $\rightarrow \approx$ same

$$\min_{\substack{\text{L} \\ \|\mathcal{W}\|_{\infty} \leq 1}} \sup \|x\|_{\infty} = \sum_{i=1}^{T_s} |a^{i-1}|$$



Minimum saturation level that achieves optimal performance

$$\sup_{\|\mathcal{W}\|_{\infty} \leq 1} \|u\|_{\infty} = |a^T|$$

$$x(t + 1) = ax(t) - \mathbf{u}(t - T) + w(t)$$

$$x = ax - \mathbf{u} + 1$$

$$u = (a - 1)x + 1 = (a - 1) \left(\frac{a^T - 1}{a - 1} \right) + 1 = a^T$$

$$\frac{a^T - 1}{a - 1} ? a^T$$

$$a^T - 1 ? a^{T+1} - a^T$$

$$0 ? a^{T+1} - 2a^T + 1$$

$$0 ? a^T (a - 2) + 1$$

$$0 >$$

Lower

delayed

reflexes

small disturbance

large error

need speed



unstable

distributed

local

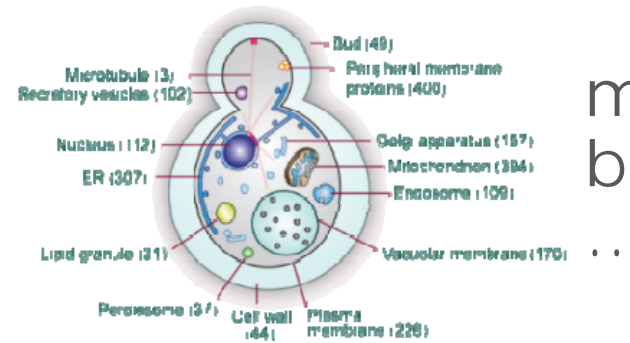
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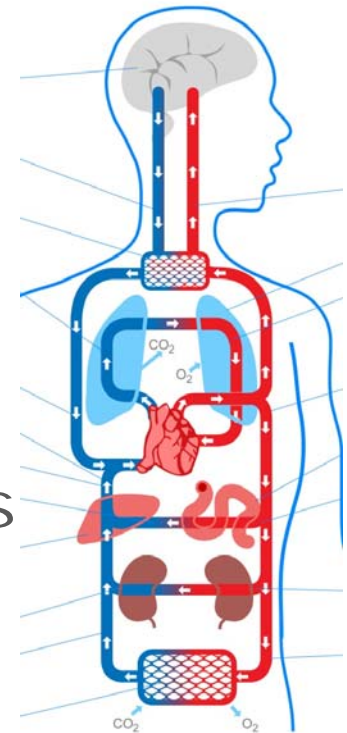


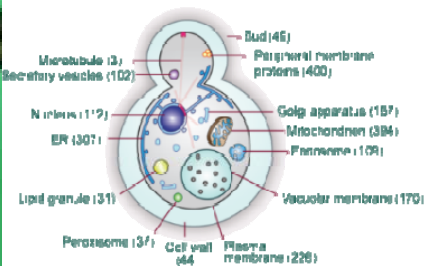
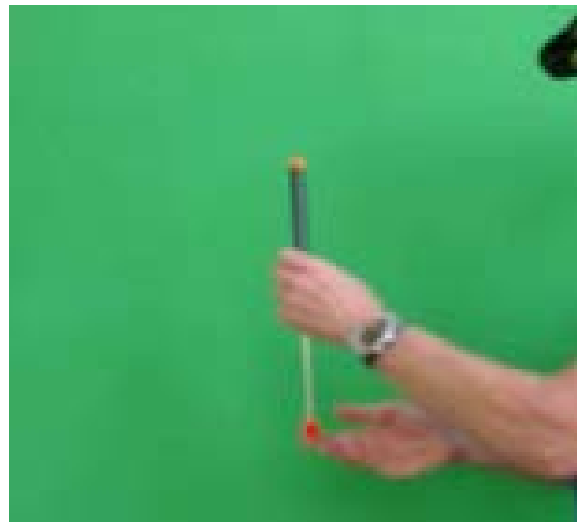
metabolism
 biosynthesis
 ...

**Unstable due to
 Positive feedback**

- autocatalysis
- gravity

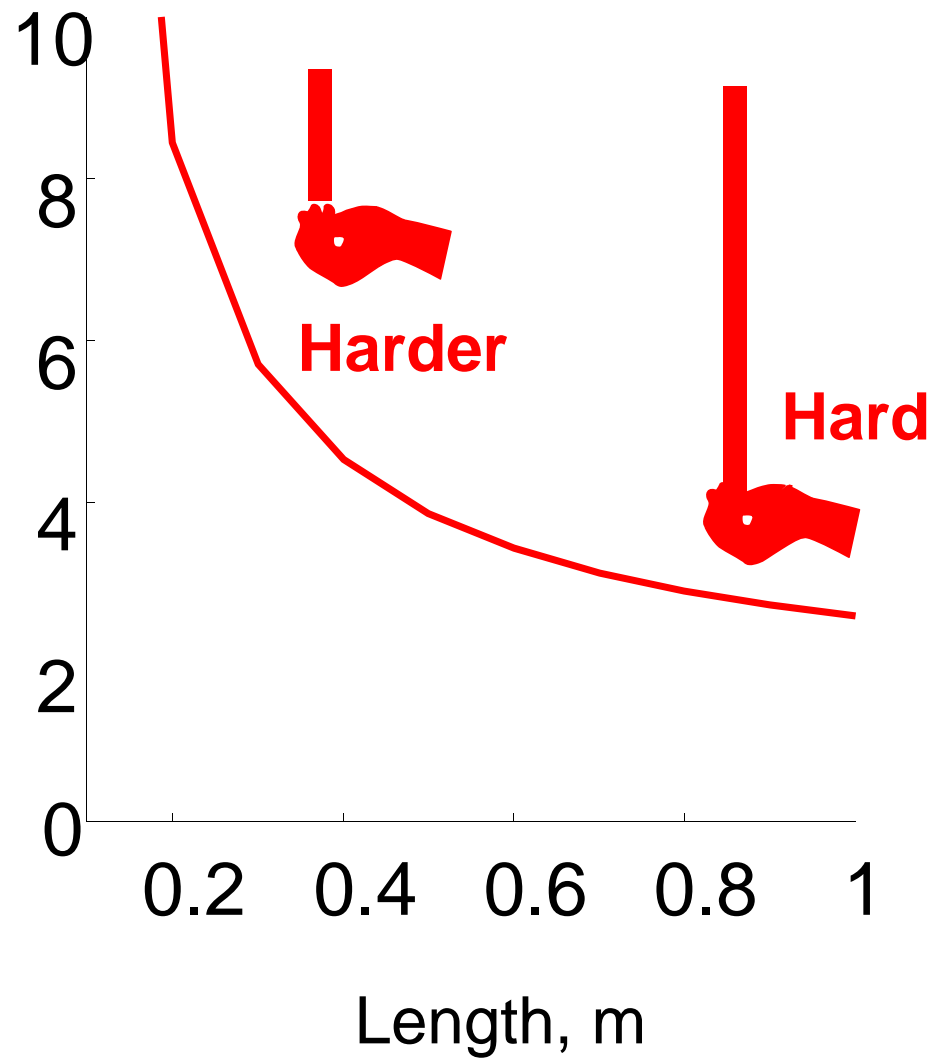
balance
 posture
 SaO2
 BP
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 infections
 ...

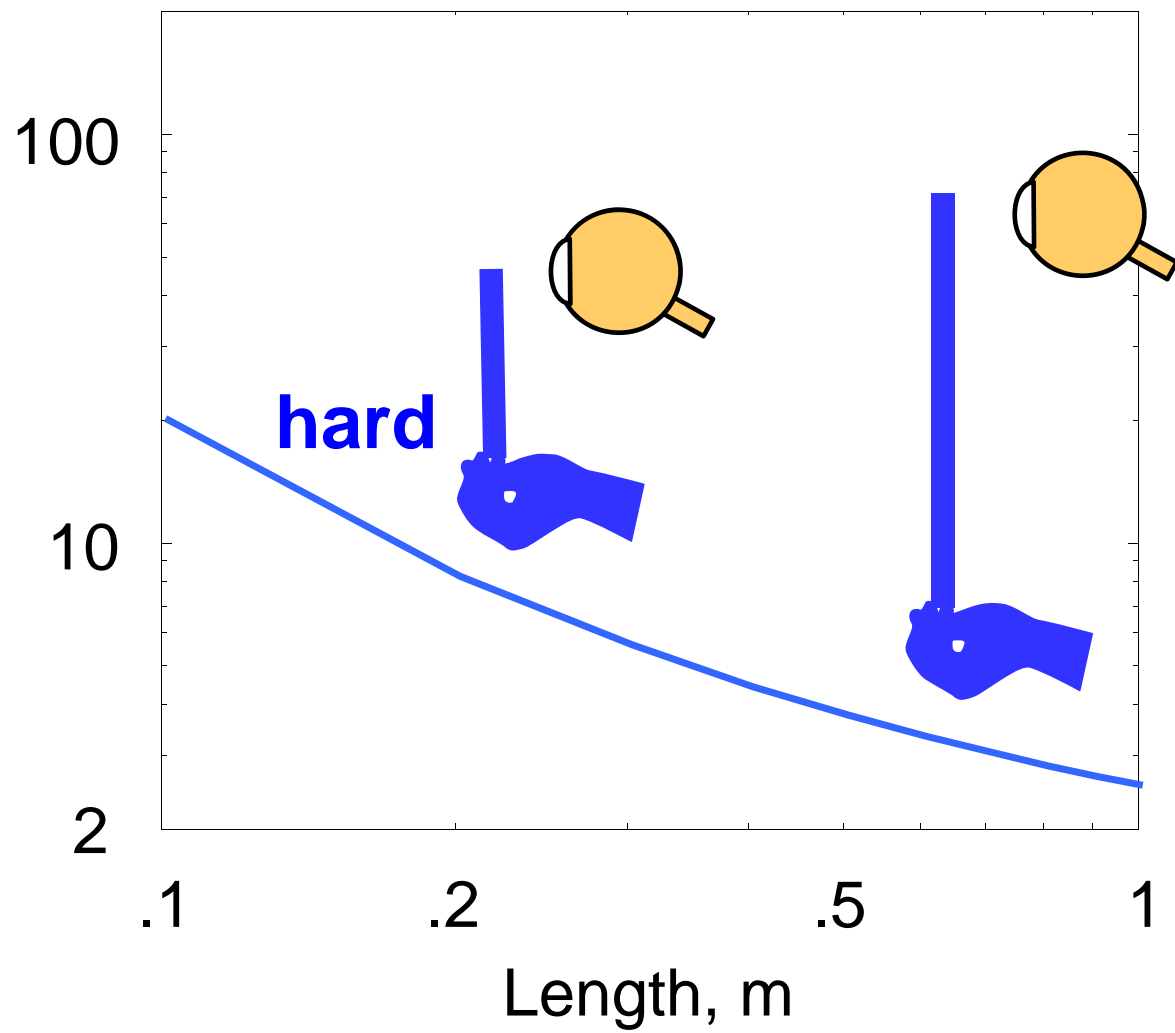


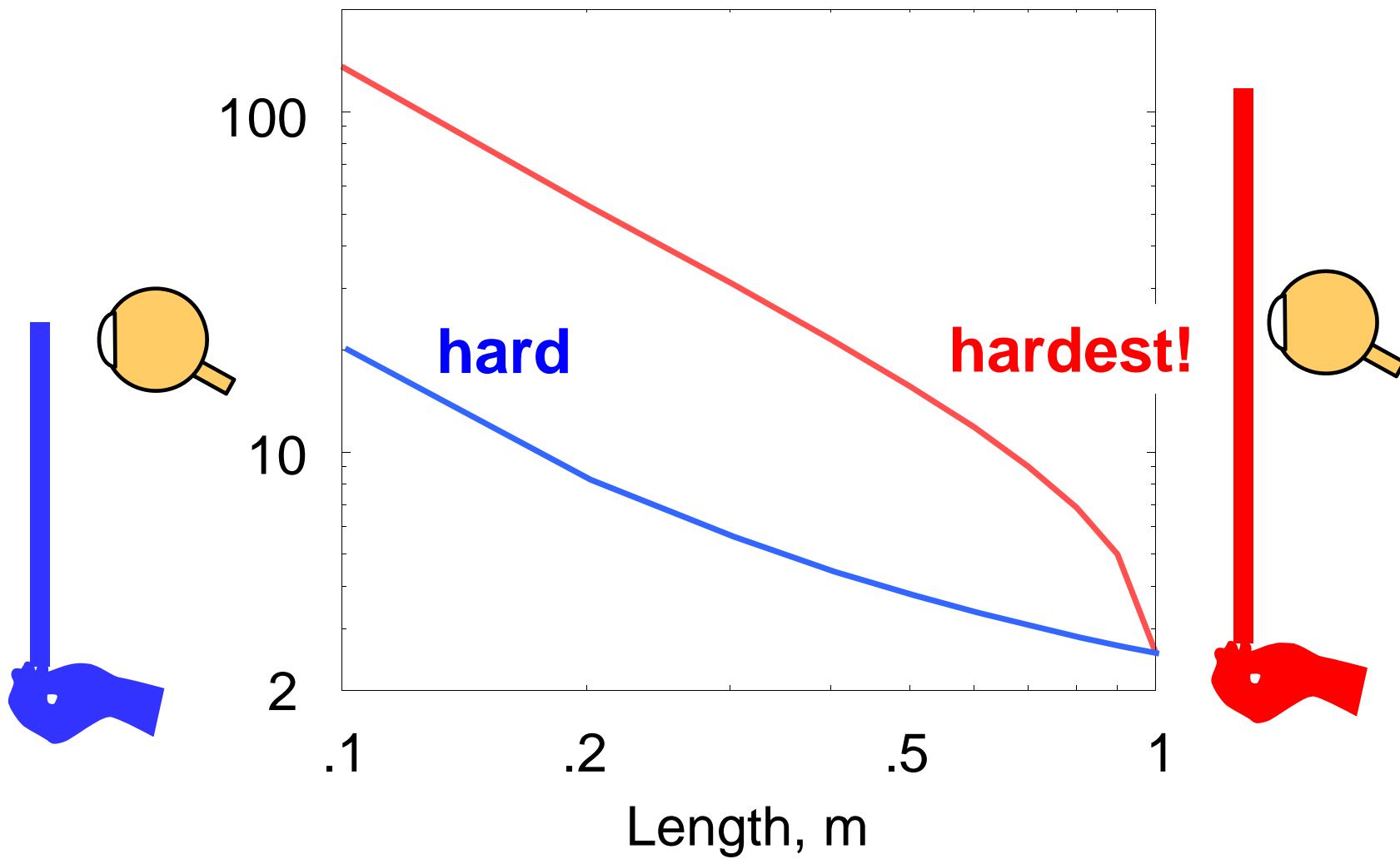


$$\exp(p\tau)$$

Theory & Data

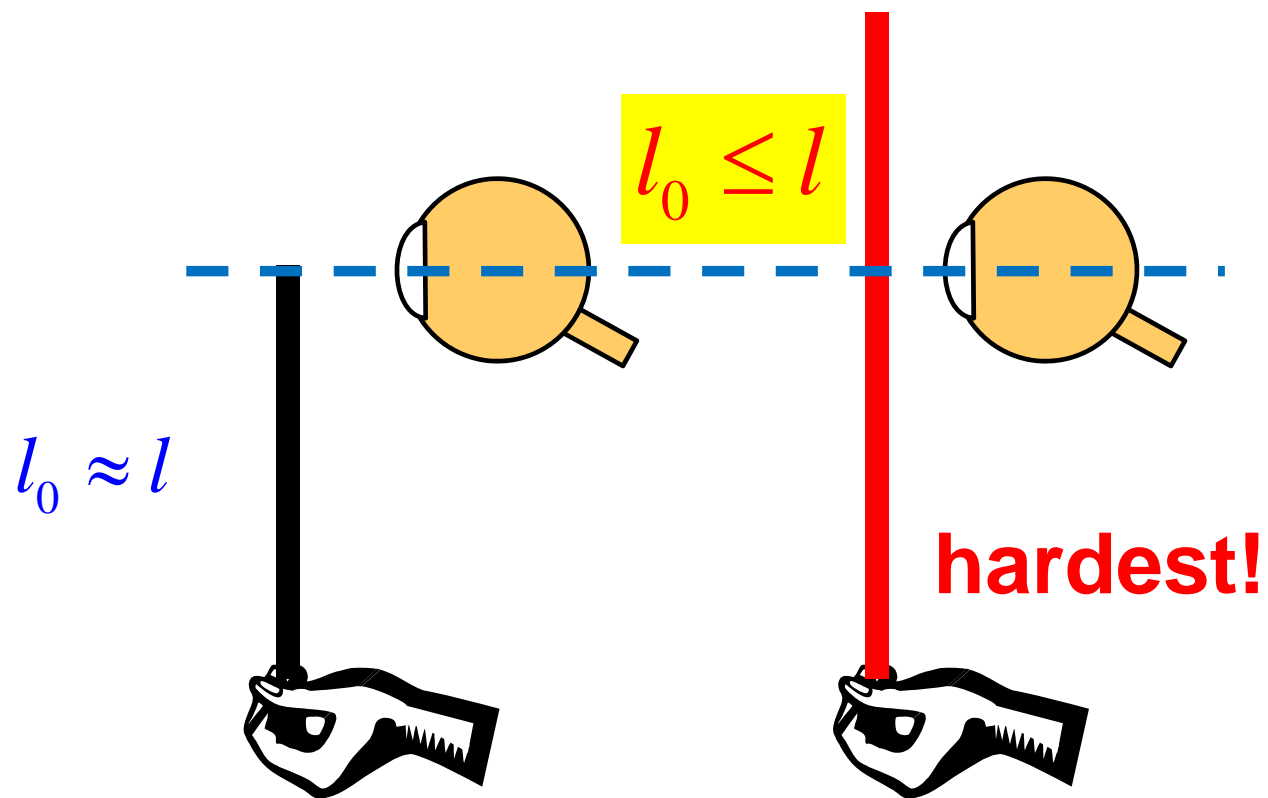






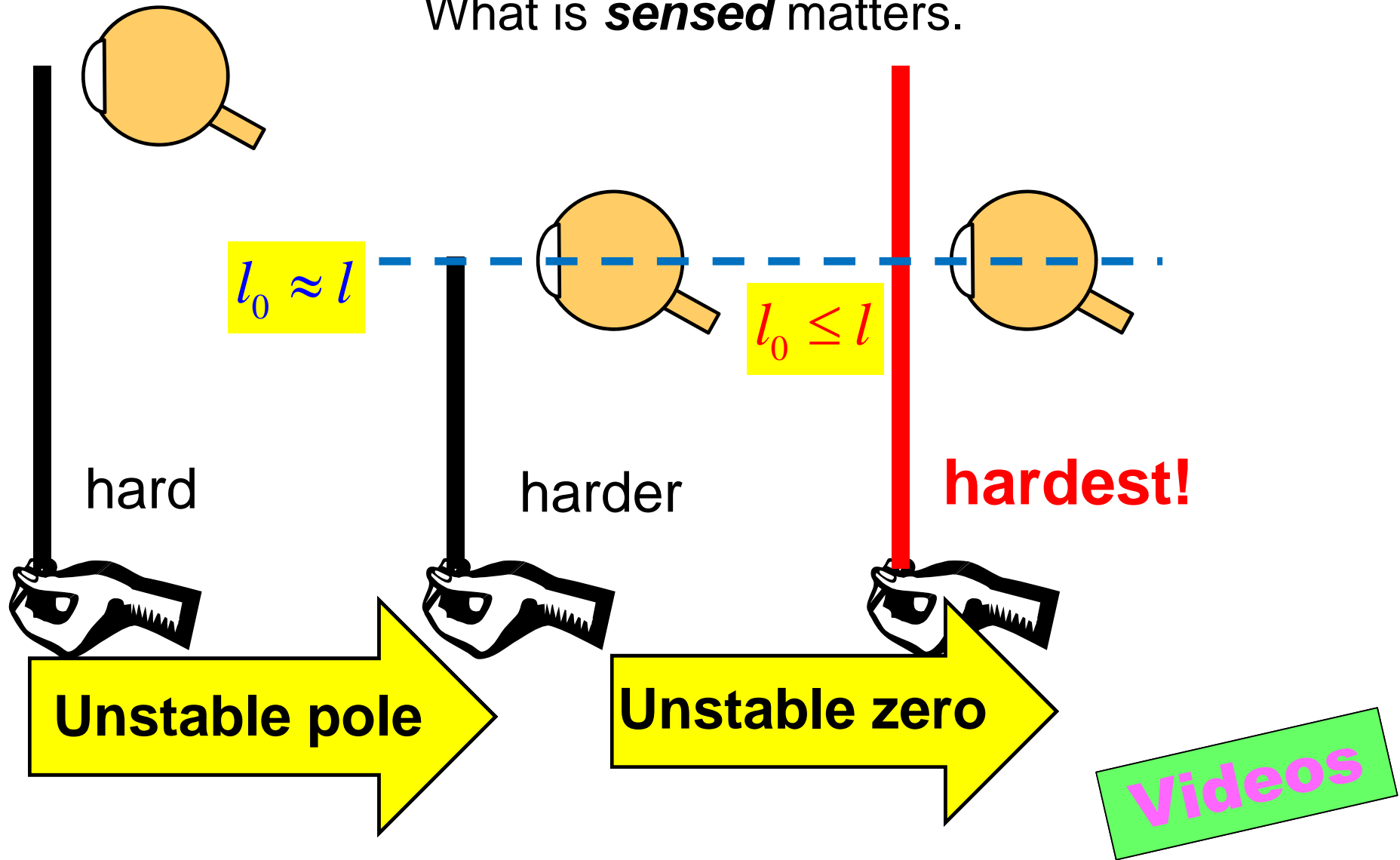
$$\left. \exp\left(\int \ln |T|\right) \right\|T\|_{\infty} \geq \exp(p\tau) \left| \frac{z+p}{z-p} \right| \geq \exp(p\tau)$$

ODE model



Videos

What is *sensed* matters.

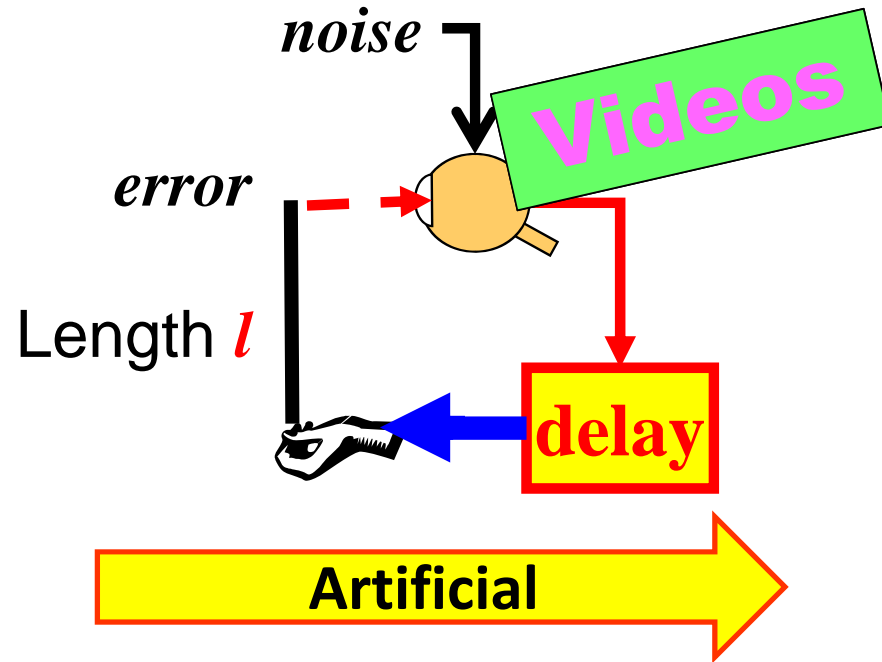


Lower

delayed
reflexes
small disturb
large error
need speed

unstable(real)
distributed
local

unconscious
automatic



$$\min_{\|w\|_{\infty} \leq 1} \sup_{\|x\|_{\infty} = \sum_{i=1}^{T_s} |a^{i-1}|}$$

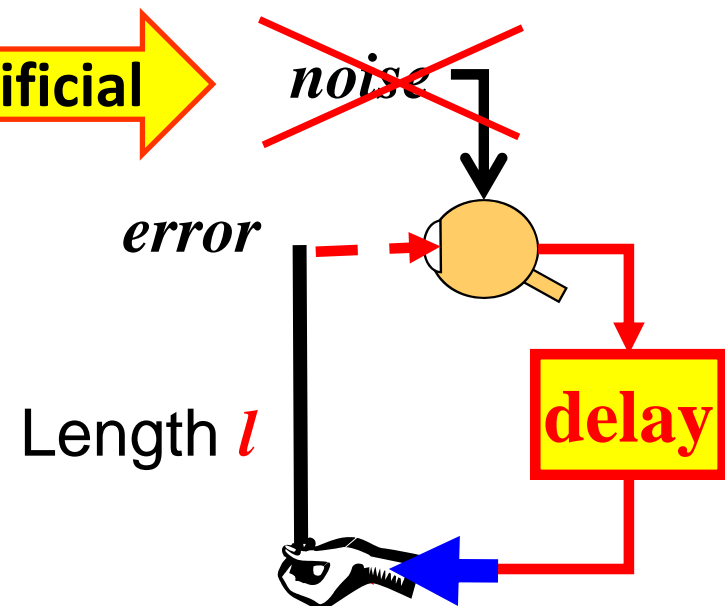
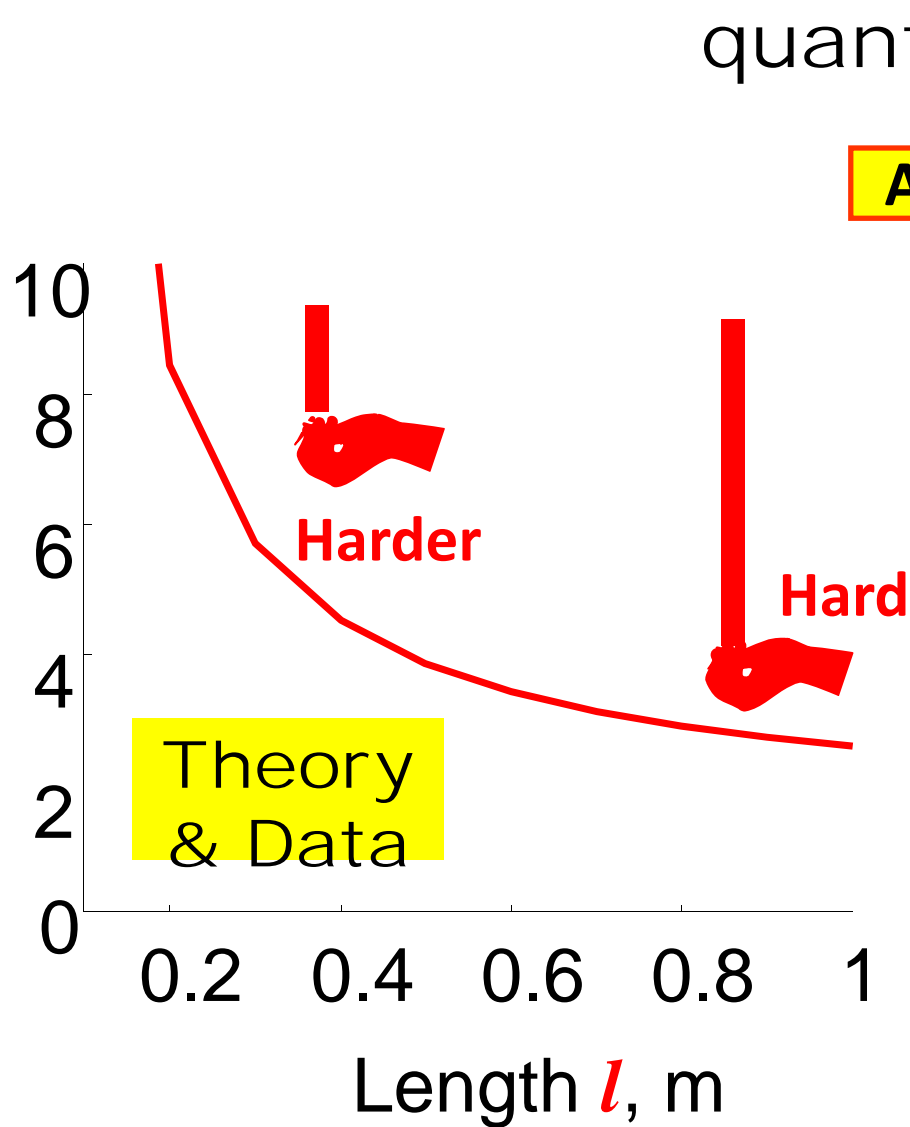
High

~~advanced
planning
large disturb
small error
need accuracy~~

~~stable(virtual)
centralized
global~~

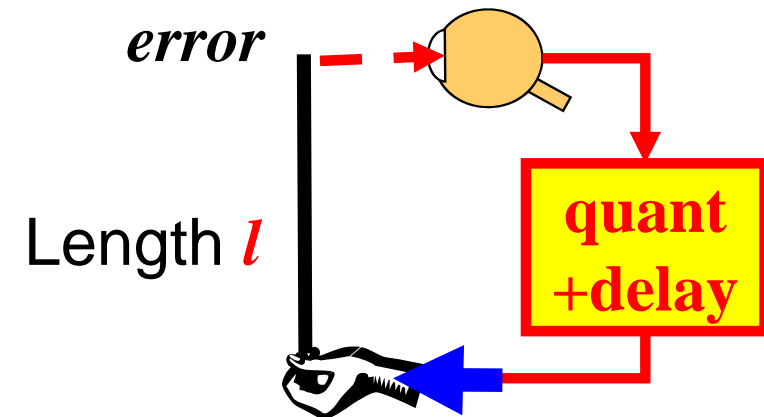
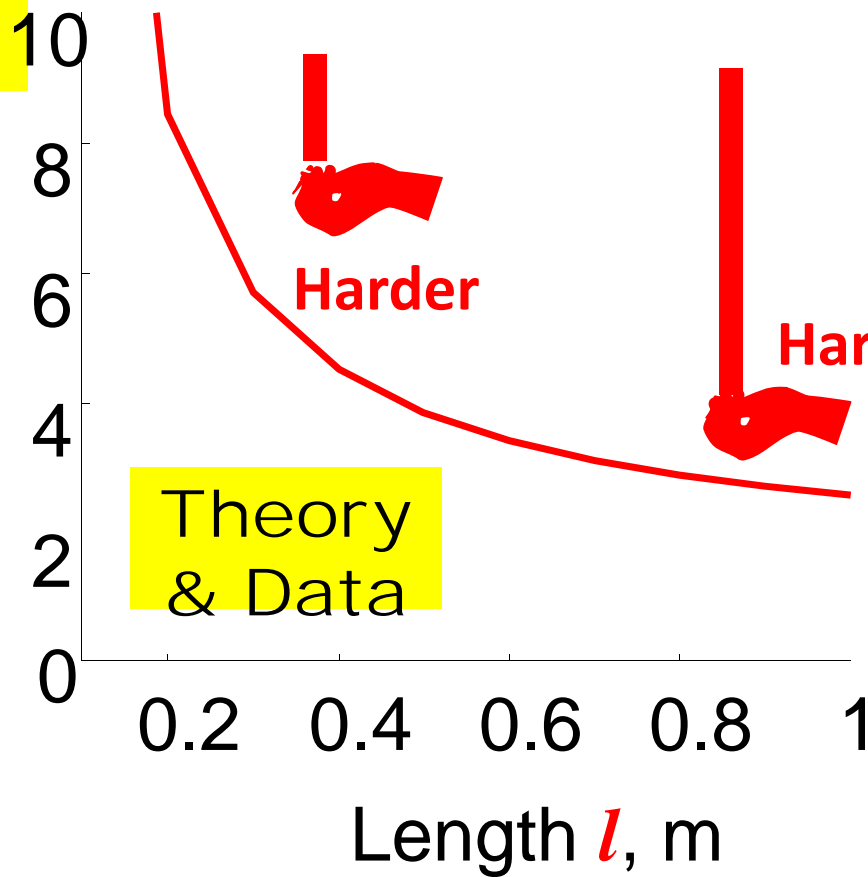
conscious
deliberate

$$\sum_{i=1}^{T_S} |a^{i-1}|$$

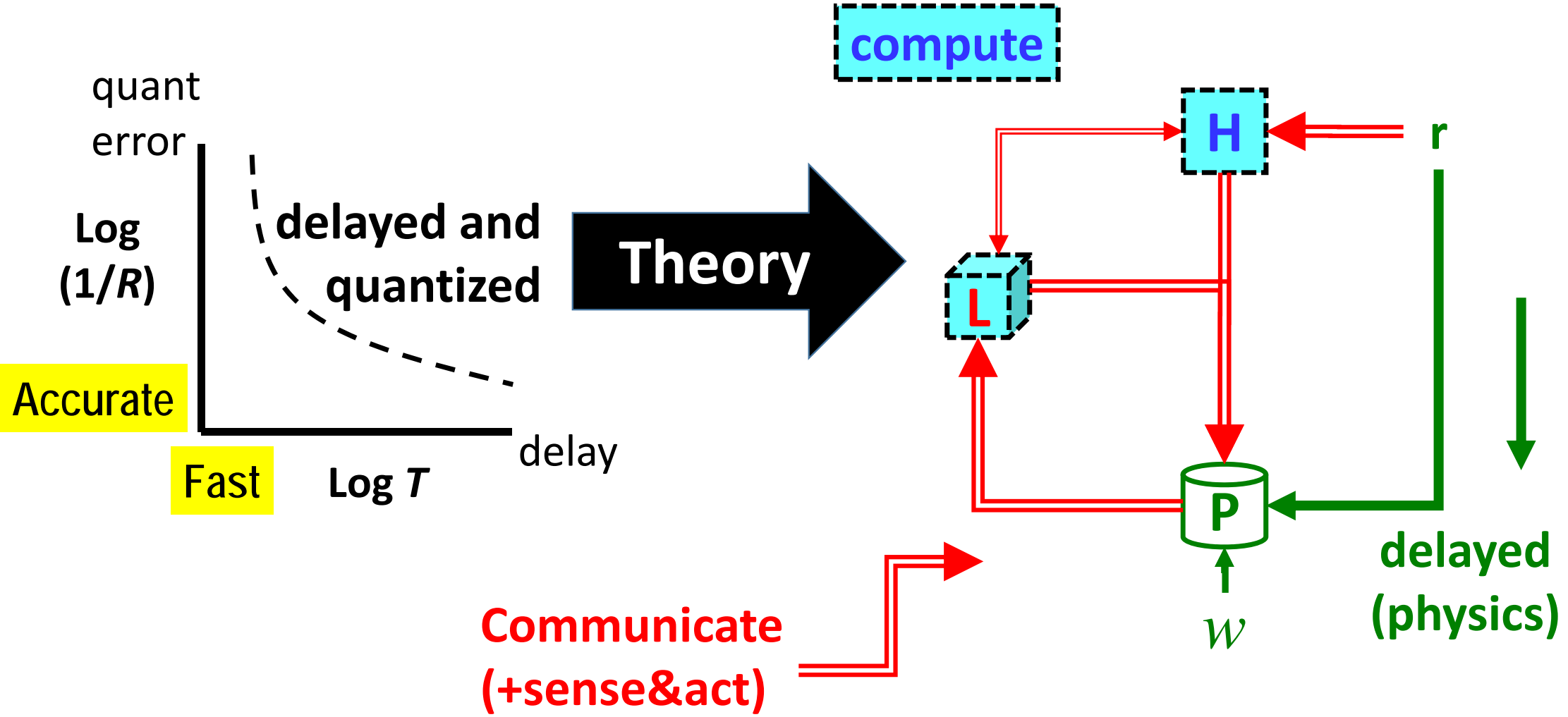


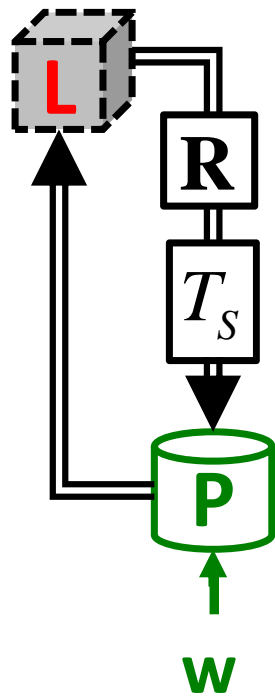
Delay +
quantization

$$|a^T| \left(2^R - |a|\right)^{-1}$$



Speed vs Accuracy





$\mathbf{R} = R$ bits/time

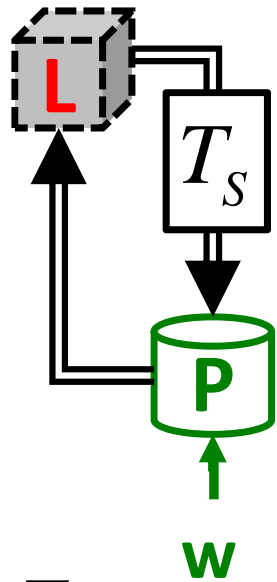
Delay ($T_s > 0$)

Delay +
quantization

Full information

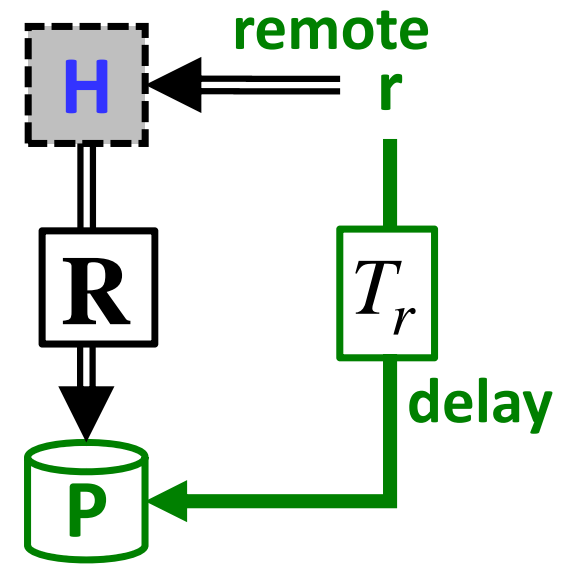
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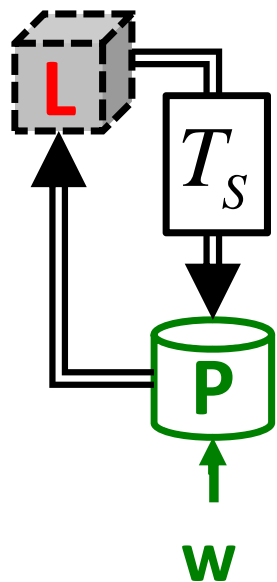
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delay



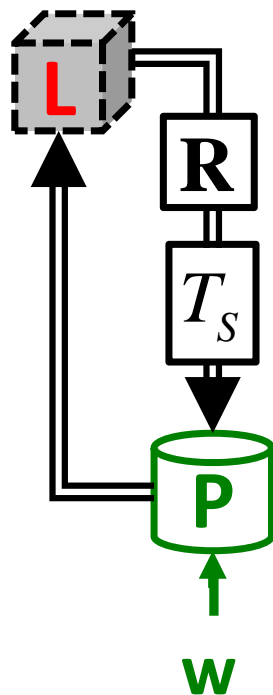
$$\left(2^R - |a|\right)^{-1}$$

quant



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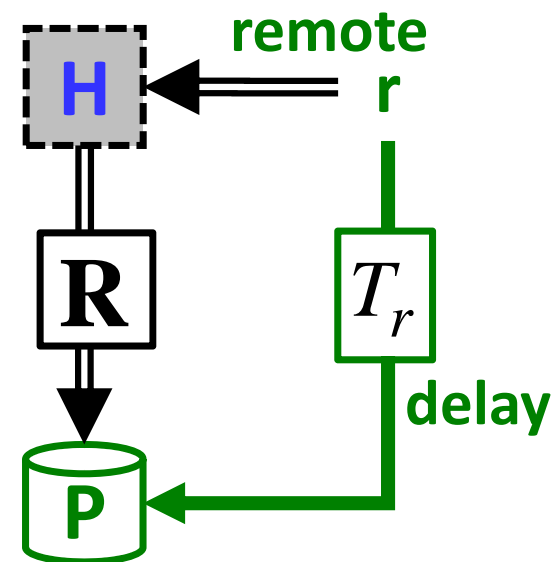


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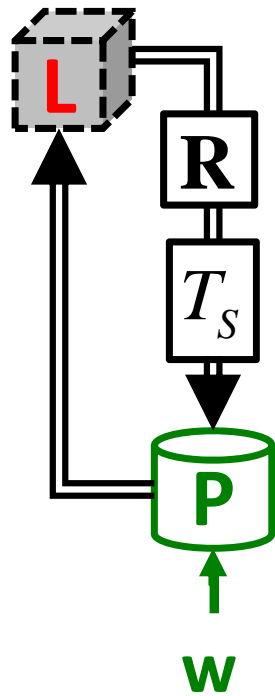
$$+ |a^{T_S}| \left(2^R - |a|\right)^{-1}$$

delay+quant



$$\left(2^R - |a|\right)^{-1}$$

quant



$\mathbf{R} = R$ bits/time

Delay ($T_s > 0$)

Delay +
quantization

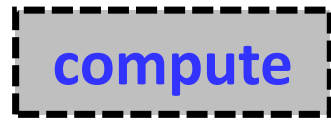
Full information

$$u(t) = f(x(0:t), r(0:t), u(0:t-1))$$

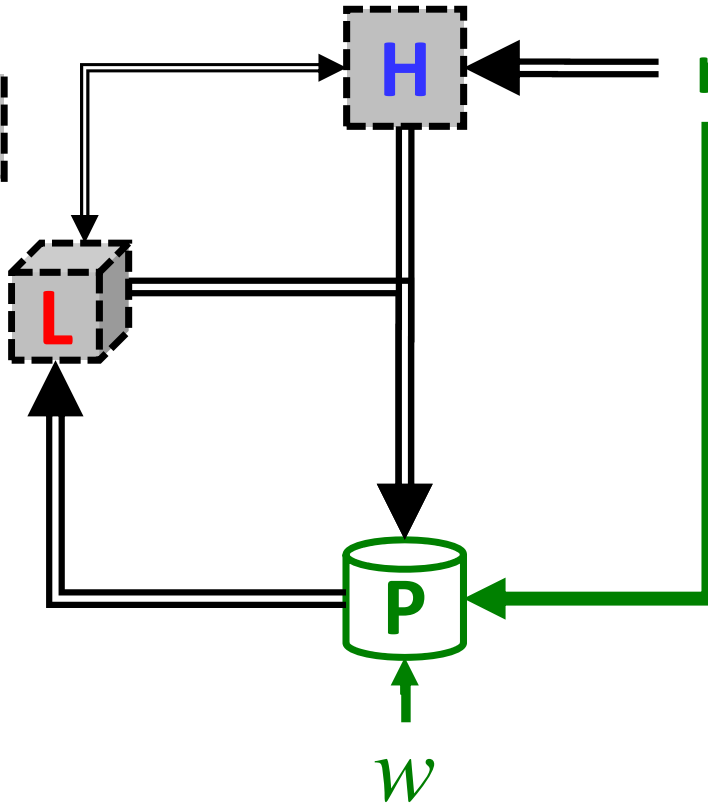
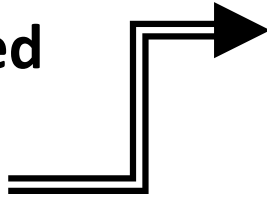
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$$\min_{\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{R}} \sup_{\|w\|_\infty \leq 1} \|x\|_\infty = \sum_{i=1}^{T_s} \underbrace{|a^{i-1}|}_{\text{delay}} + \underbrace{|a^{T_s}| \left(2^R - |a|\right)^{-1}}_{\text{delay+quant}}$$

delayed and
quantized

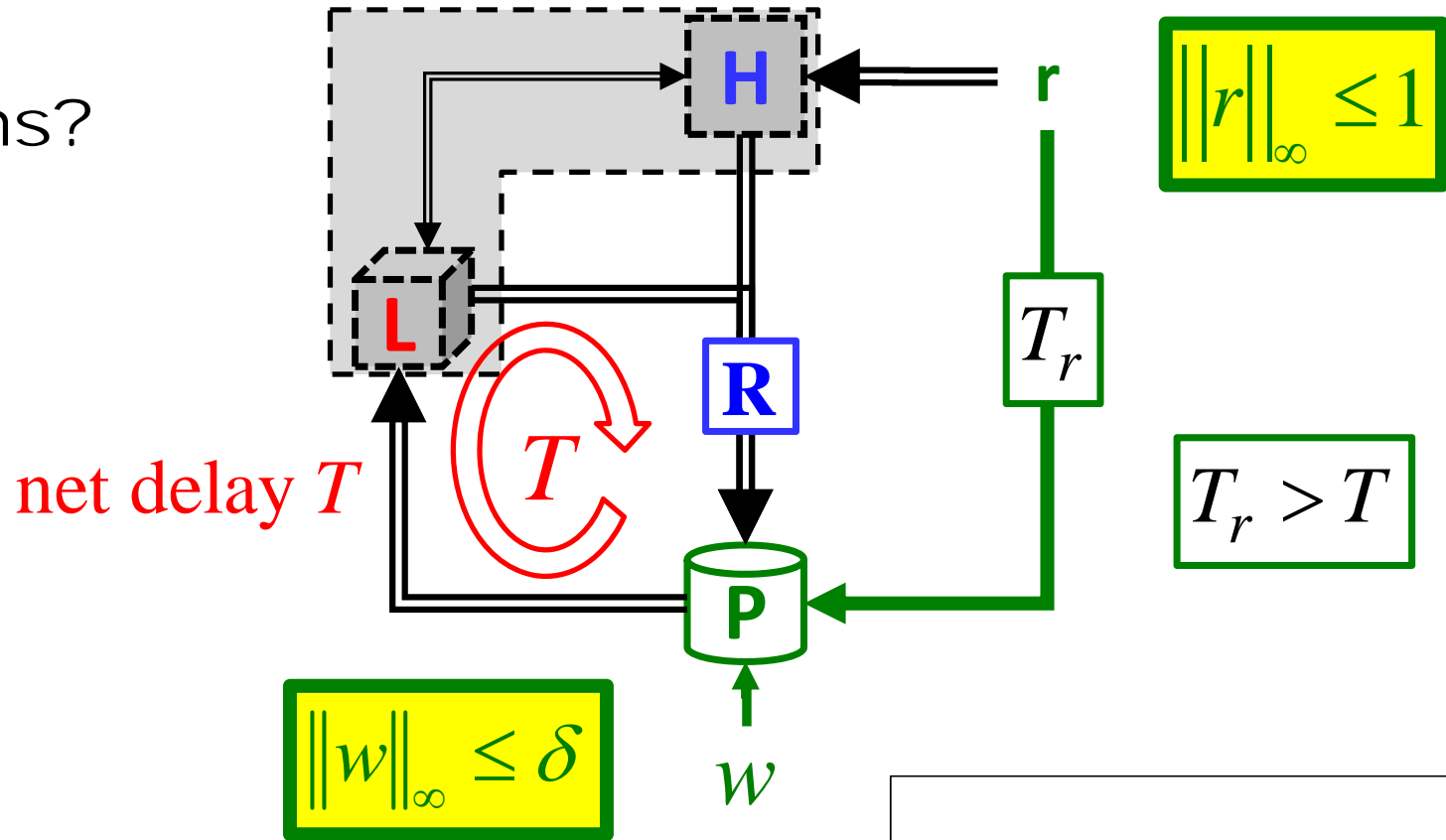


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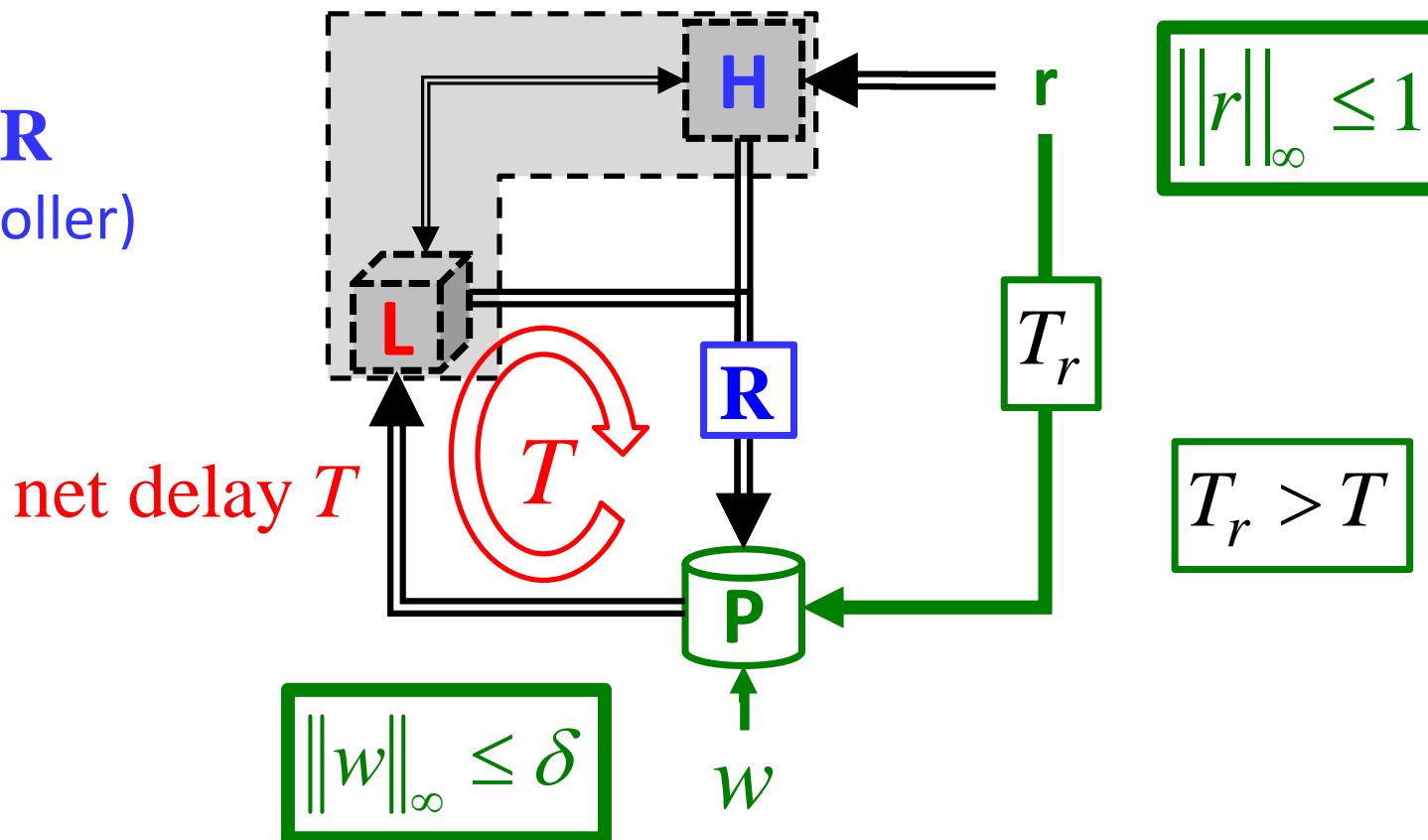
Assumptions?



$$\min_{\boxed{L} \ \boxed{R}} \sup_{\|w\|_\infty \leq 1} \|x\|_\infty$$

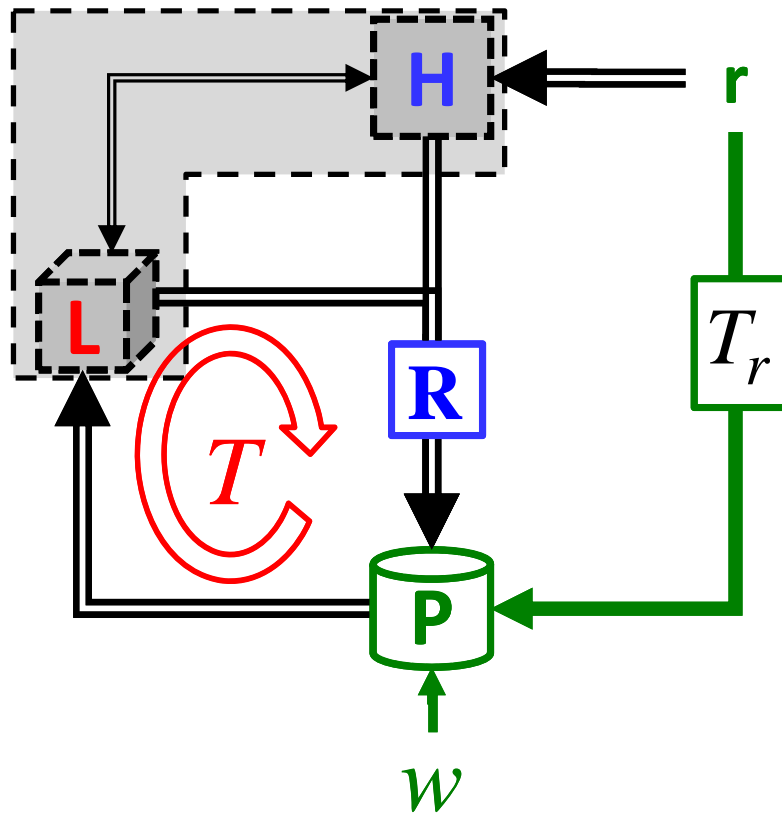


One quantizer **R**
(and one controller)

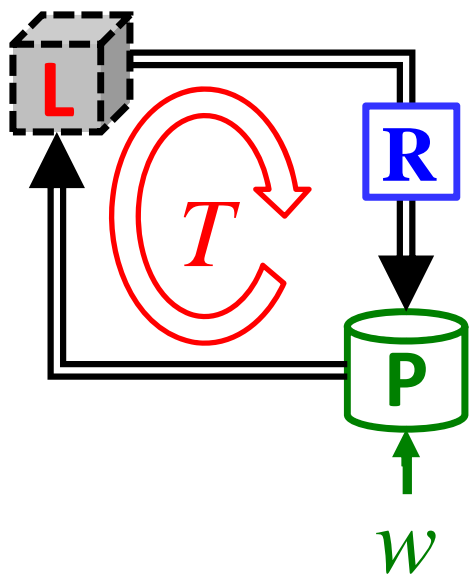


$$\min \max \|x\|_{\infty} = \underbrace{\delta \left(\sum_{i=1}^T |a^{i-1}| + |a^T| \right)}_{\text{delay}} \underbrace{\left(2^R - |a| \right)^{-1}}_{\text{delay+quant}} + \underbrace{\left(2^R - |a| \right)^{-1}}_{\text{quant}}$$

One quantizer
(one controller)

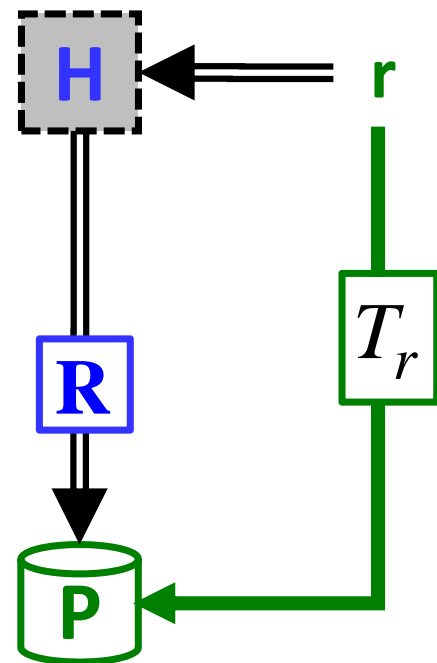


$$\delta \left(\underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^T |a^{i-1}|}_{\text{delay}} + \underbrace{|a^T| \left(2^R - |a| \right)^{-1}}_{\text{delay+quant}} \right) + \underbrace{\left(2^R - |a| \right)^{-1}}_{\text{quant}}$$



$$\|w\|_{\infty} \leq \delta$$

Need $\delta \ll 1$



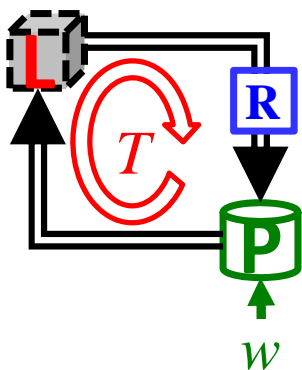
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quant

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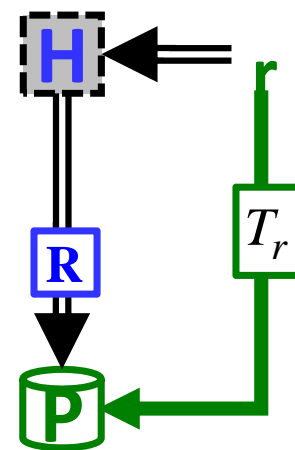
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$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^T |a^{i-1}| \rightarrow \infty$$



$$R \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow (2^R - |a|)^{-1} \rightarrow 0$$



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delay+quant

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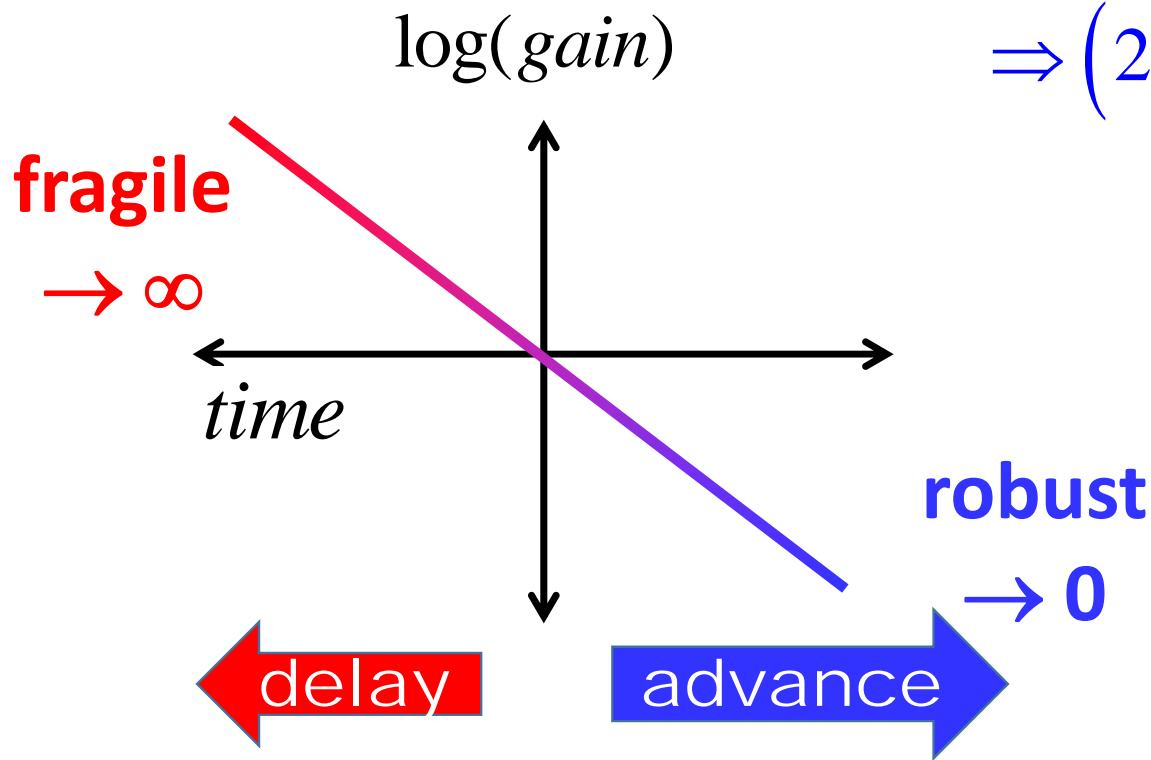
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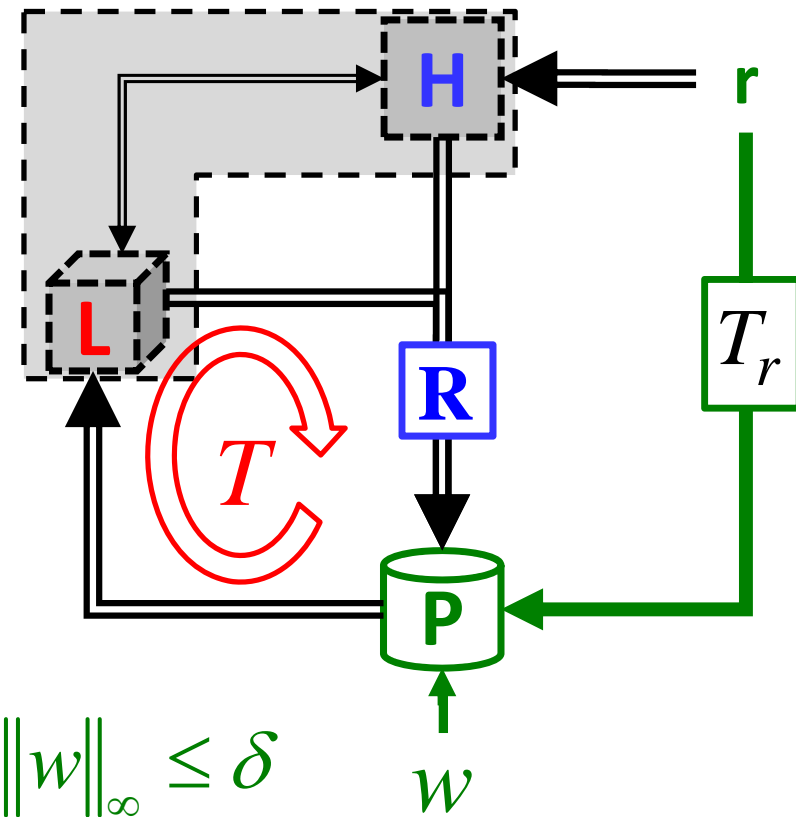
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Large literature

- speed/accuracy tradeoffs
- Fitts' law
- sensorimotor, optimal, and robust control (e.g. Wolpert)

consistent with



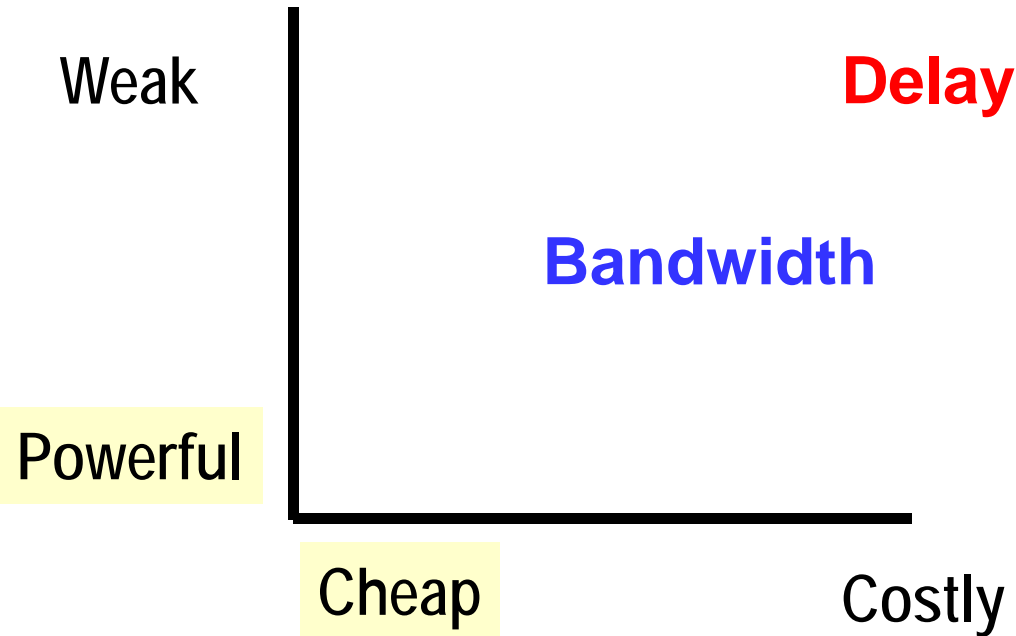
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$$\delta \left(\sum_{i=1}^T |a^{i-1}| + |a^T| \left(2^R - |a| \right)^{-1} \right) + \left(2^R - |a| \right)^{-1}$$

exponential
dependence
on R (good)
and T (bad)



$$\delta \left(\sum_{i=1}^T |a^{i-1}| + |a^T| \left(2^R - |a| \right)^{-1} \right) + \left(2^R - |a| \right)^{-1}$$

$P_{time} \ll NP_{time}^*$

$NP_{time} \ll$
 NP_{space}

Weak

Delay

Bandwidth

Powerful

memory

Cheap

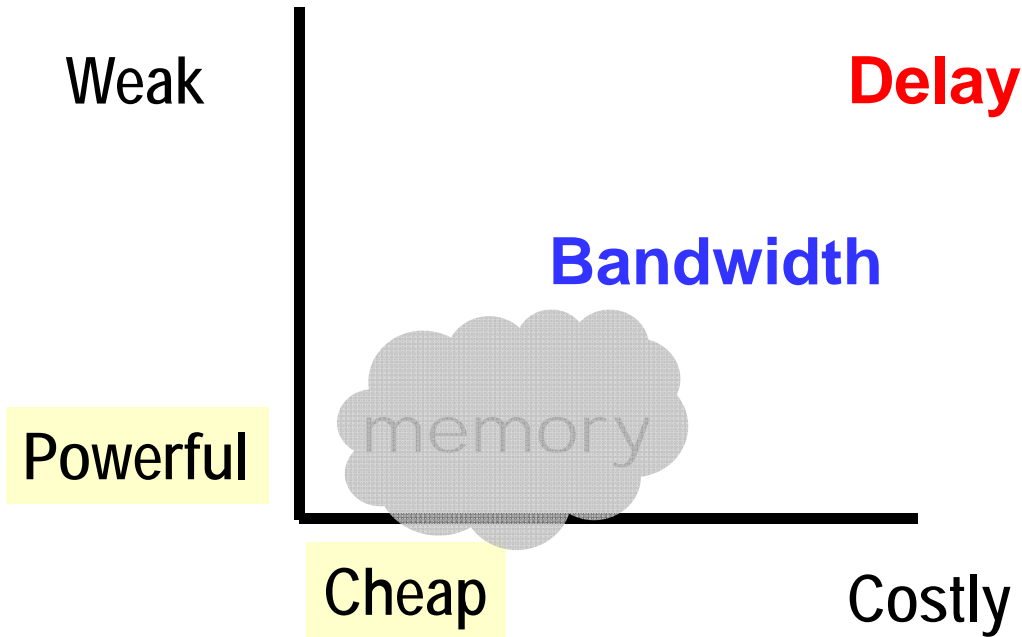
Costly

$$\delta \left(\sum_{i=1}^T |a^{i-1}| + |a^T| \left(2^R - |a| \right)^{-1} \right) + \left(2^R - |a| \right)^{-1}$$

* we think

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Issues

$$\min_{\mathbf{L}} \max_{\mathbf{R}} \sup_{\|w\|_{\infty} \leq \delta} \|x\|_{\infty} = \sum_{i=1}^{T_S} |a^{i-1}| + |a^{T_S}| \left(2^R - |a|\right)^{-1}$$

Robustness: $\sup_{\|w\|_{\infty} \leq \delta} \|x\|_{\infty}$ vs $\sup_{\|w\|_2 \leq \delta} \|x\|_2$ vs $E(|x|^2)$



l_1

h_{∞}

h_2



crash

Issues

$$\min_{\substack{\text{L} \\ \text{R}}} \sup_{\|w\|_\infty \leq \delta} \|x\|_\infty = \sum_{i=1}^{T_S} |a^{i-1}| + |a^{T_S}| \left(2^R - |a|\right)^{-1}$$



$$\sup_{\|w\|_\infty \leq \delta} \|x\|_\infty$$



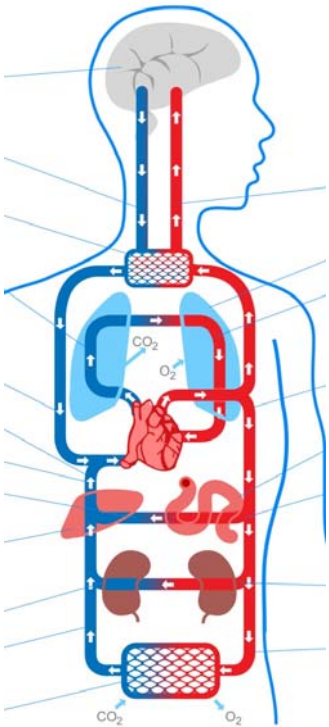
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$$\sup_{\|w\|_\infty \leq \delta} \|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty \text{ vs } \sup_{\|w\|_2 \leq \delta} \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \text{ vs } E\left(\|\mathbf{x}\|^2\right)$$



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