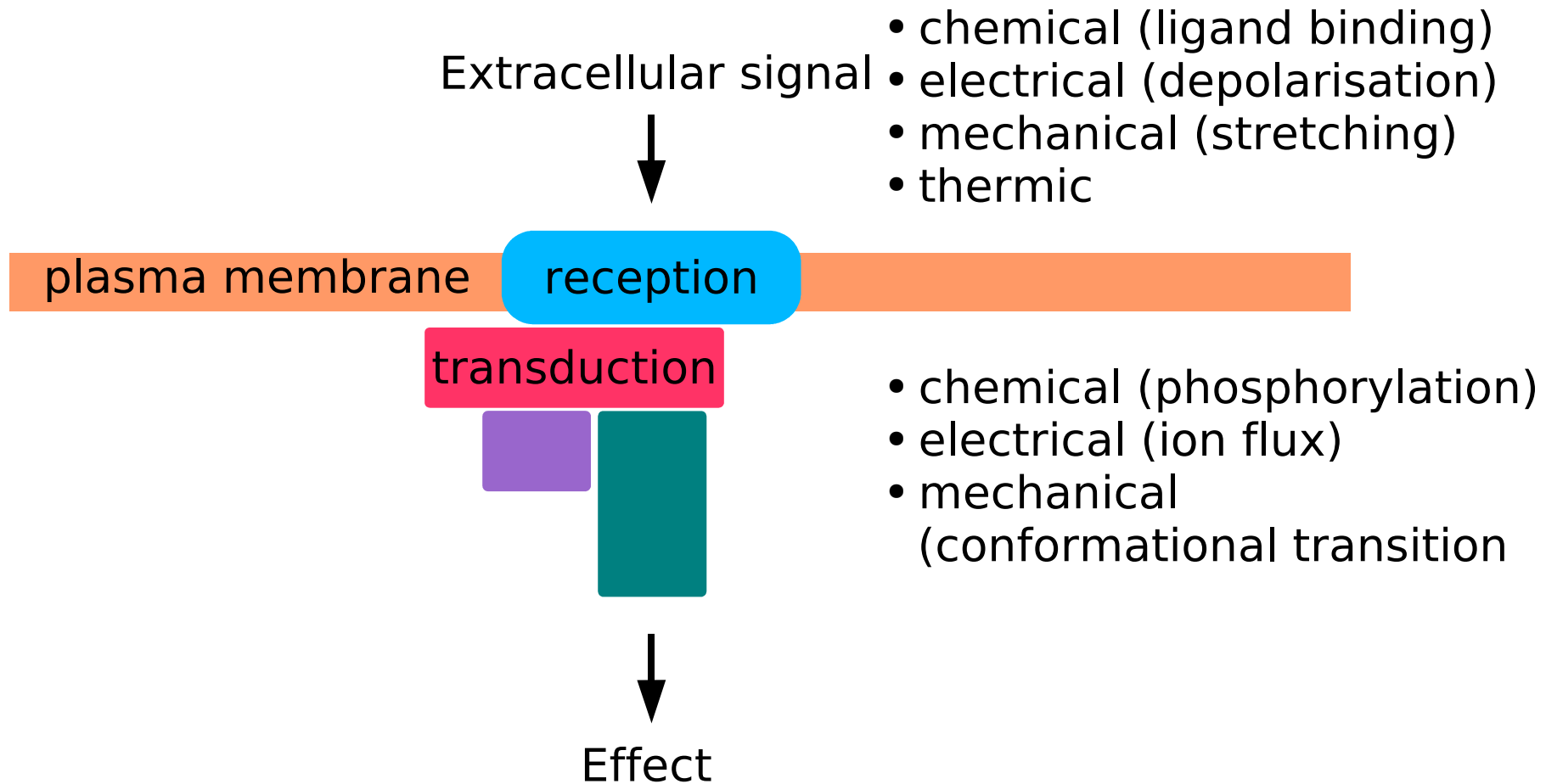
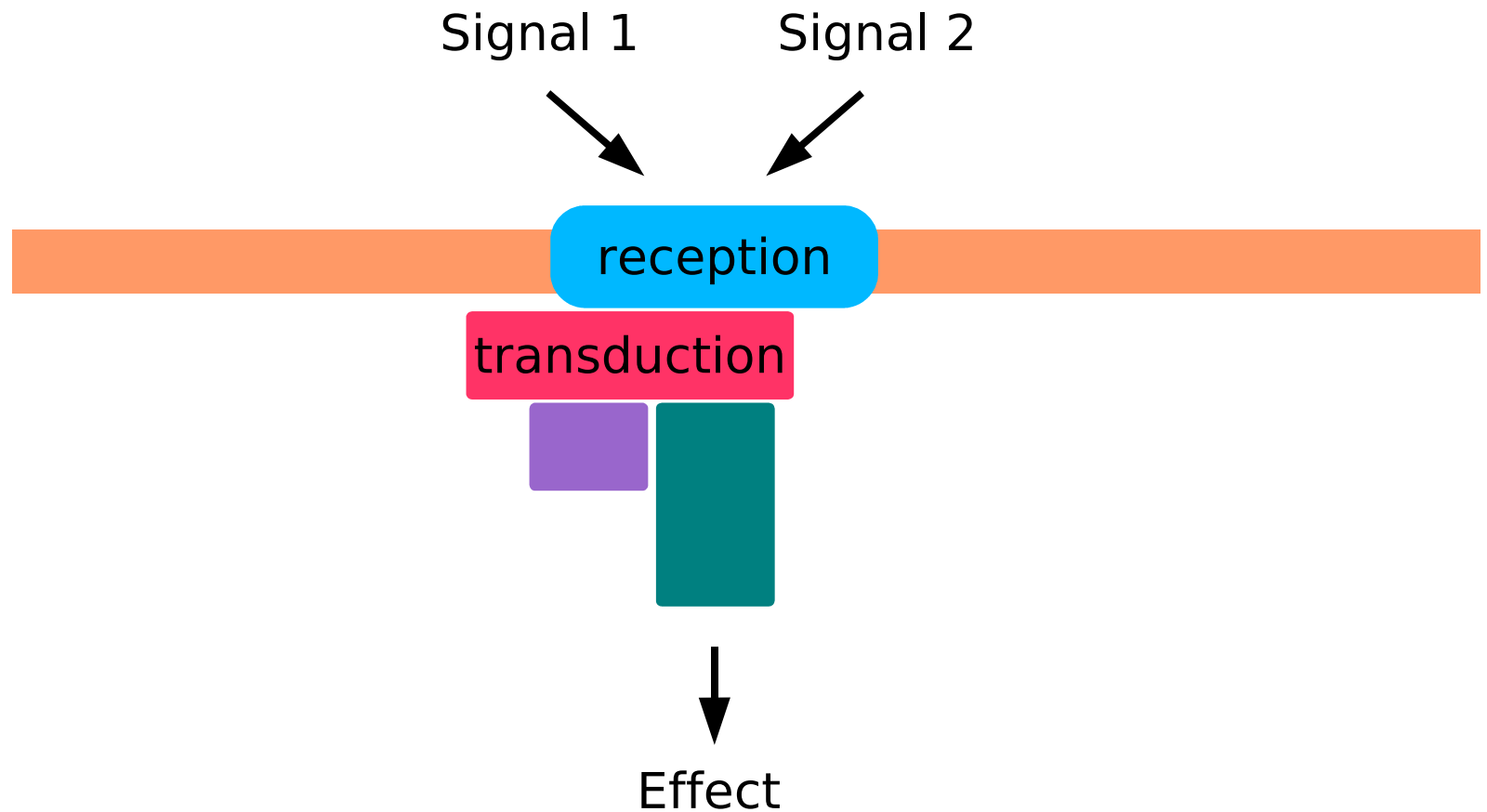


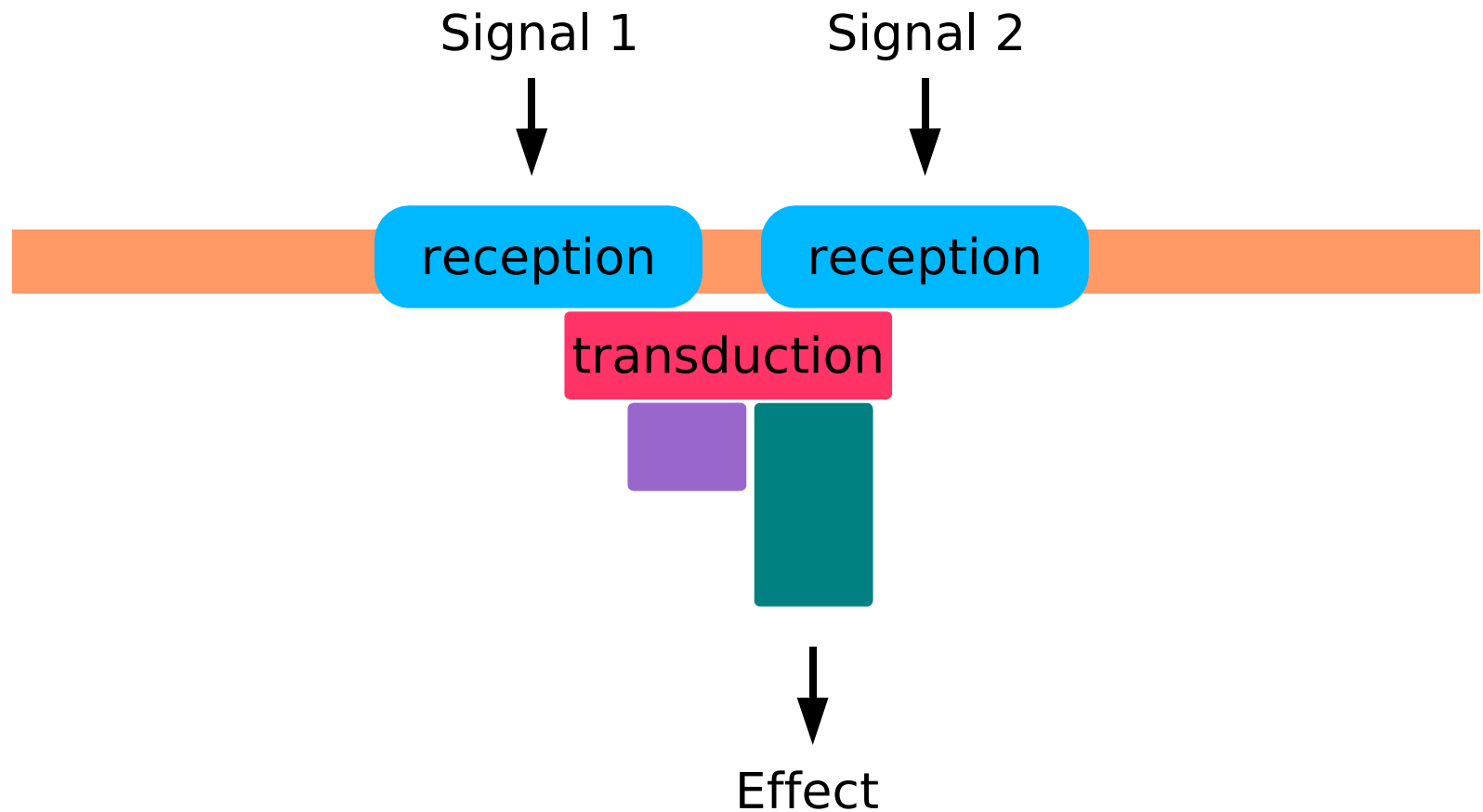
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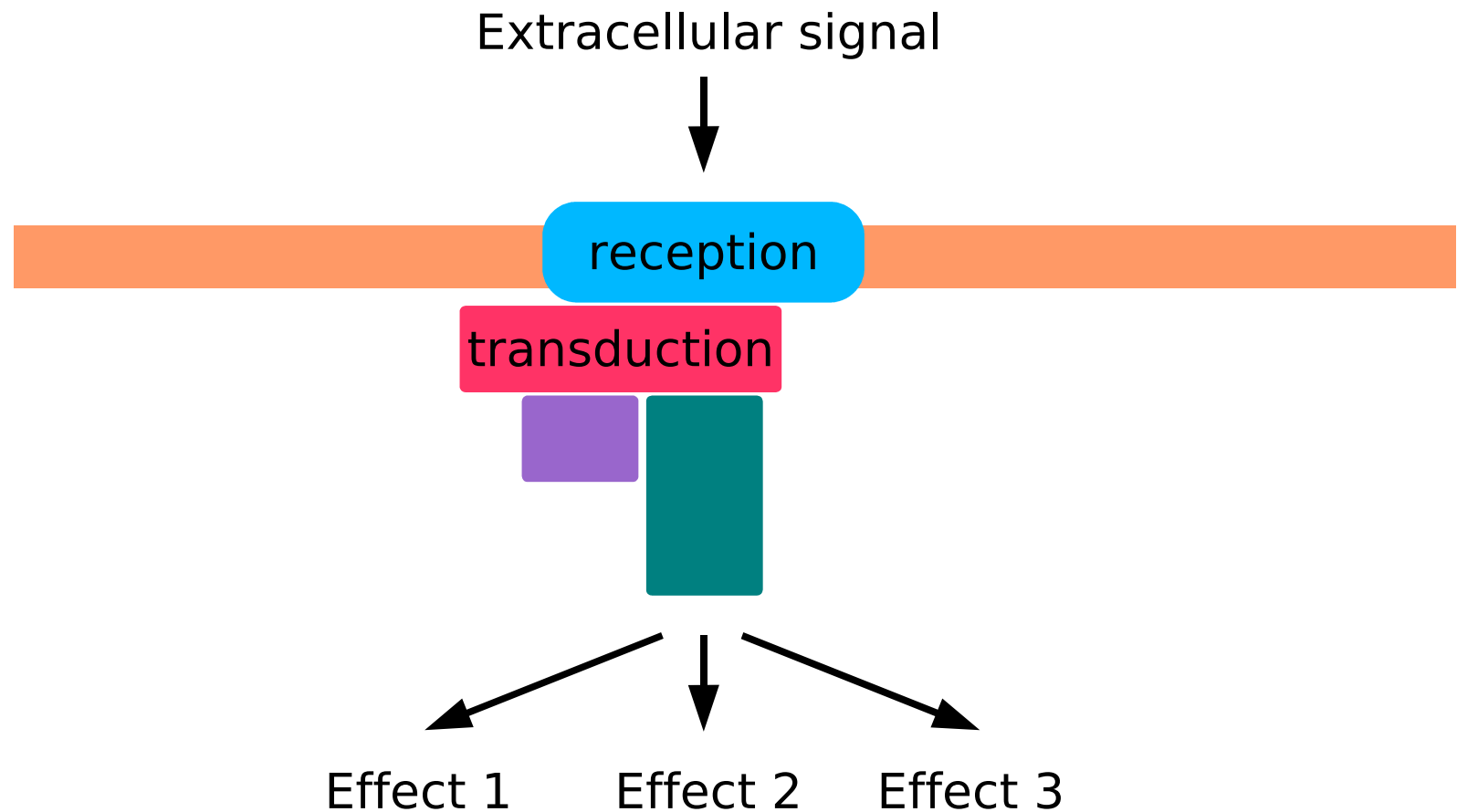
Exemple de la transduction des signaux transmembranaires

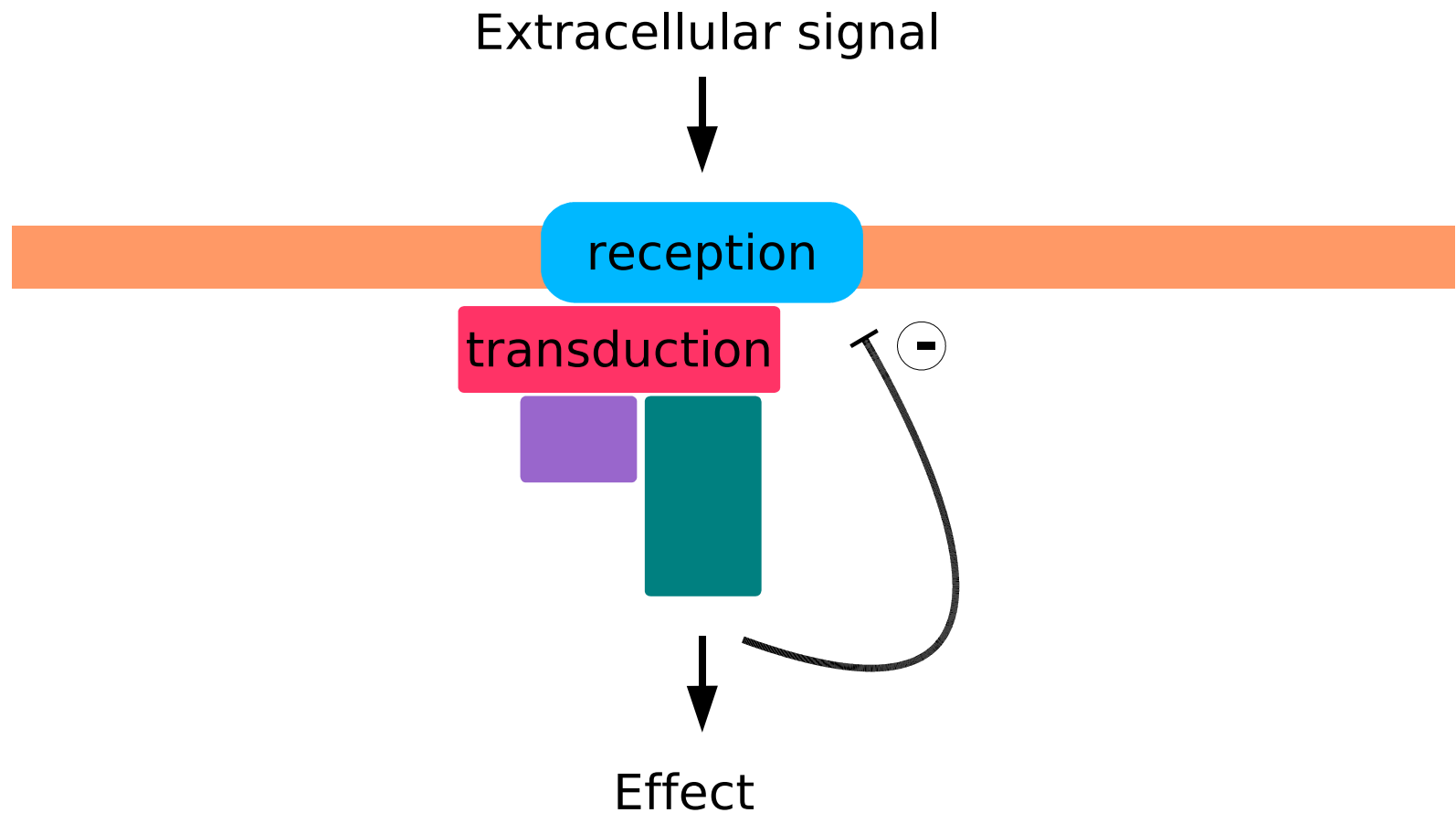
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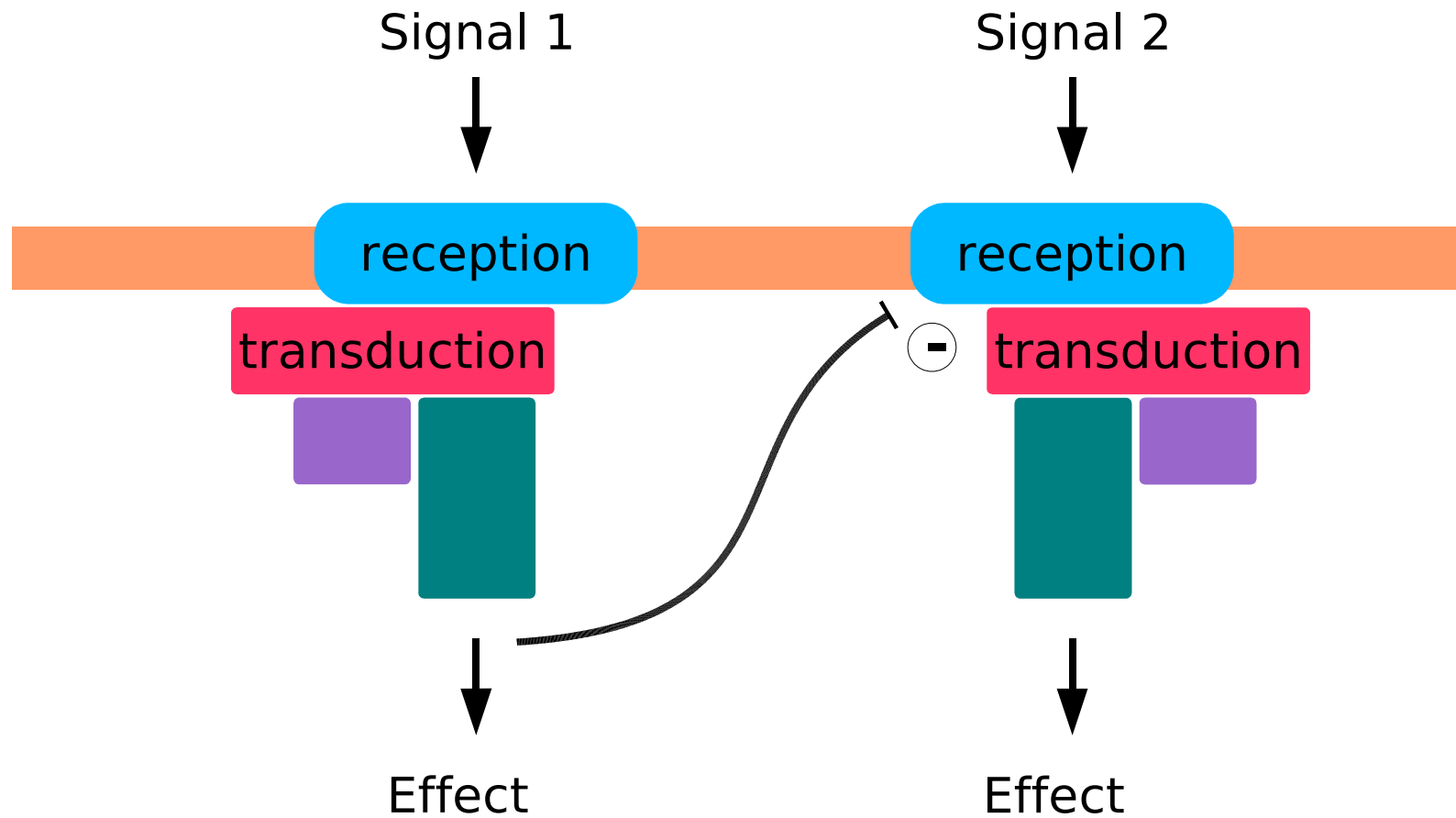


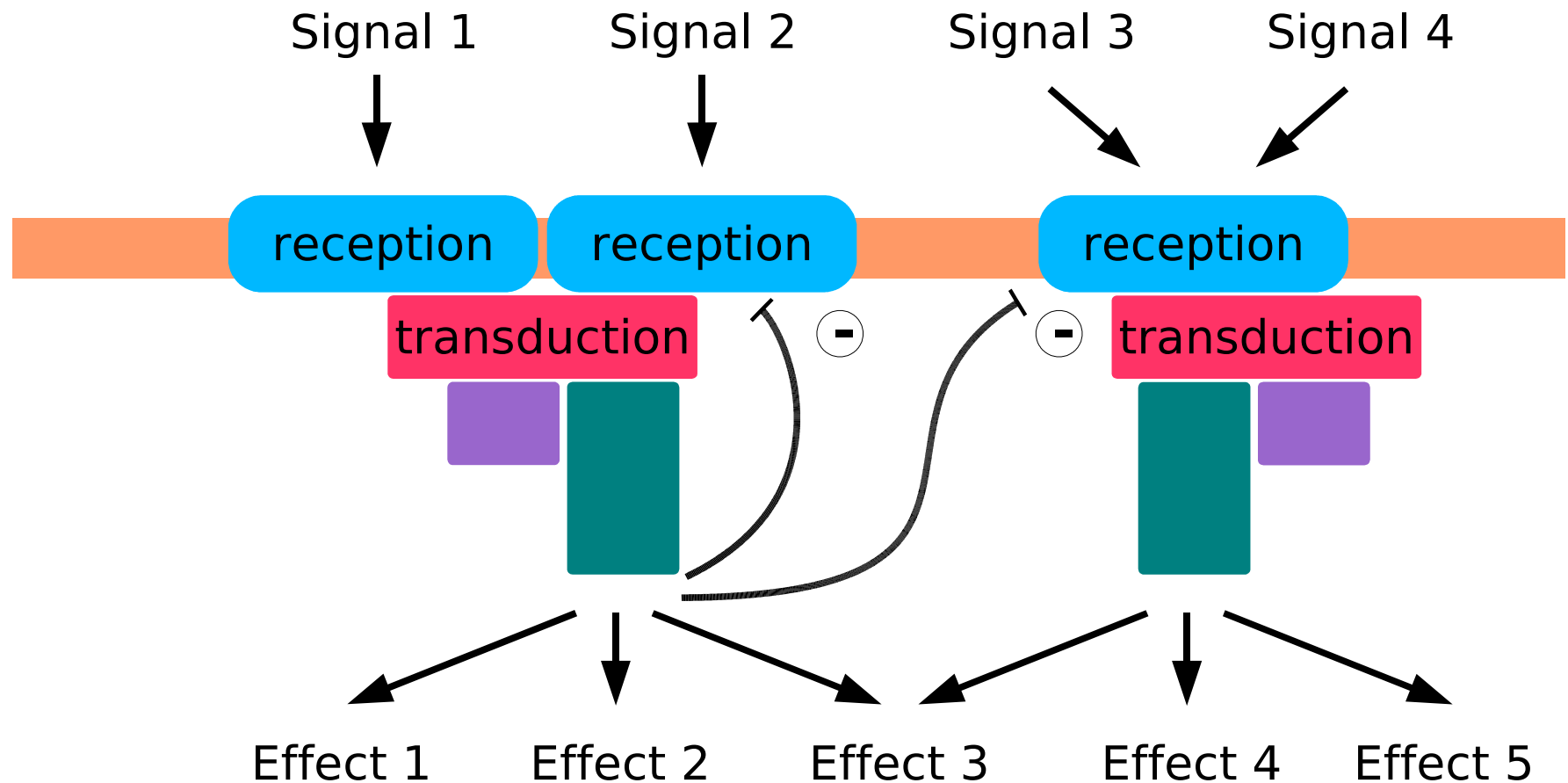












Specificities of signal transduction

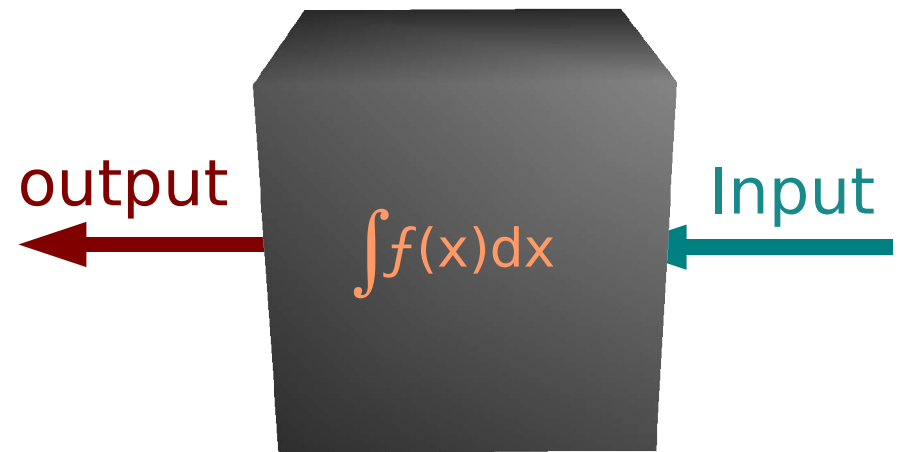
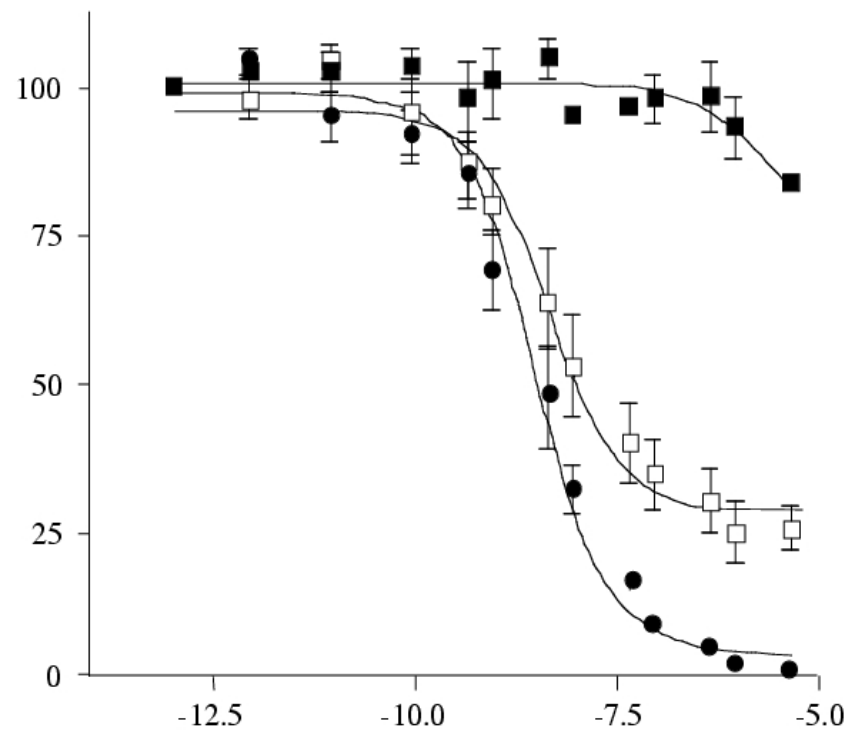
- Low number of partners (x10 to x1000)
- High sensitivity (often due to allosteric factors)
- Robustness (affinity unimportant, role of transduction)
- Gain (multiple steps of enhancement)
- Adaptation (stay sensitive to various intensity;
decrease response to continuous signals)
- Relative location of partners is crucial

(1)-The phenomenology

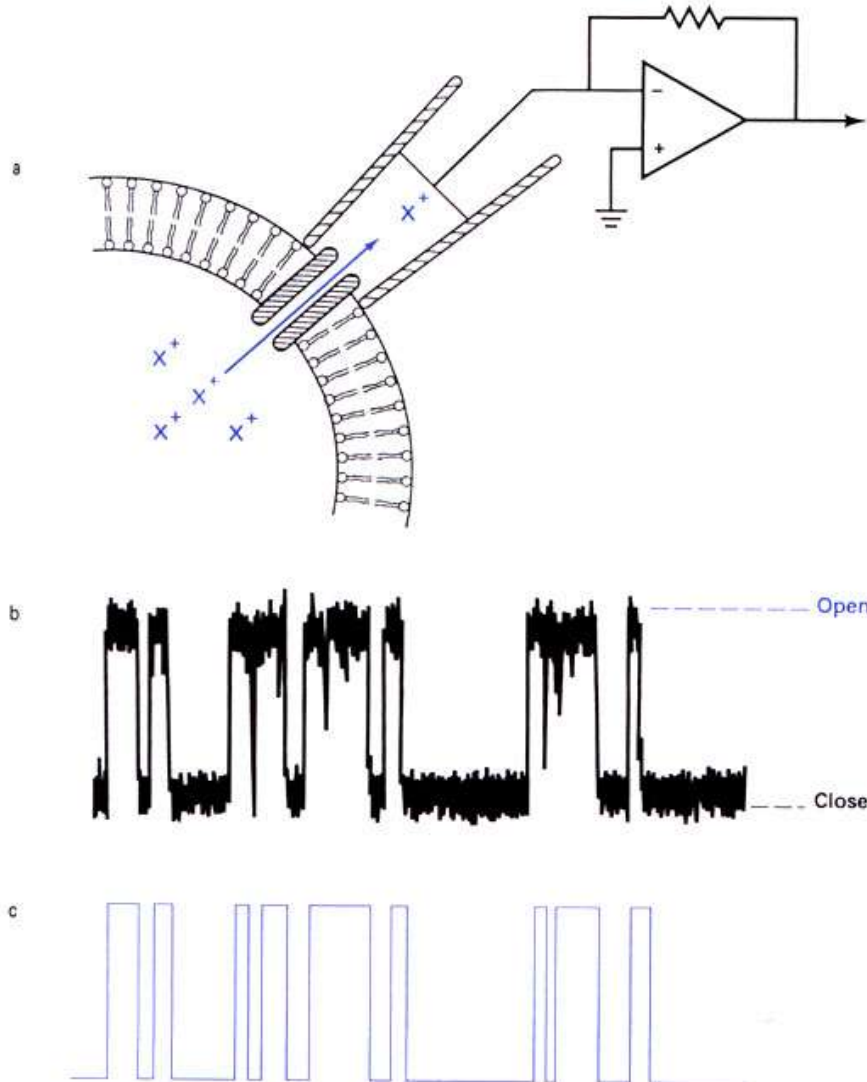
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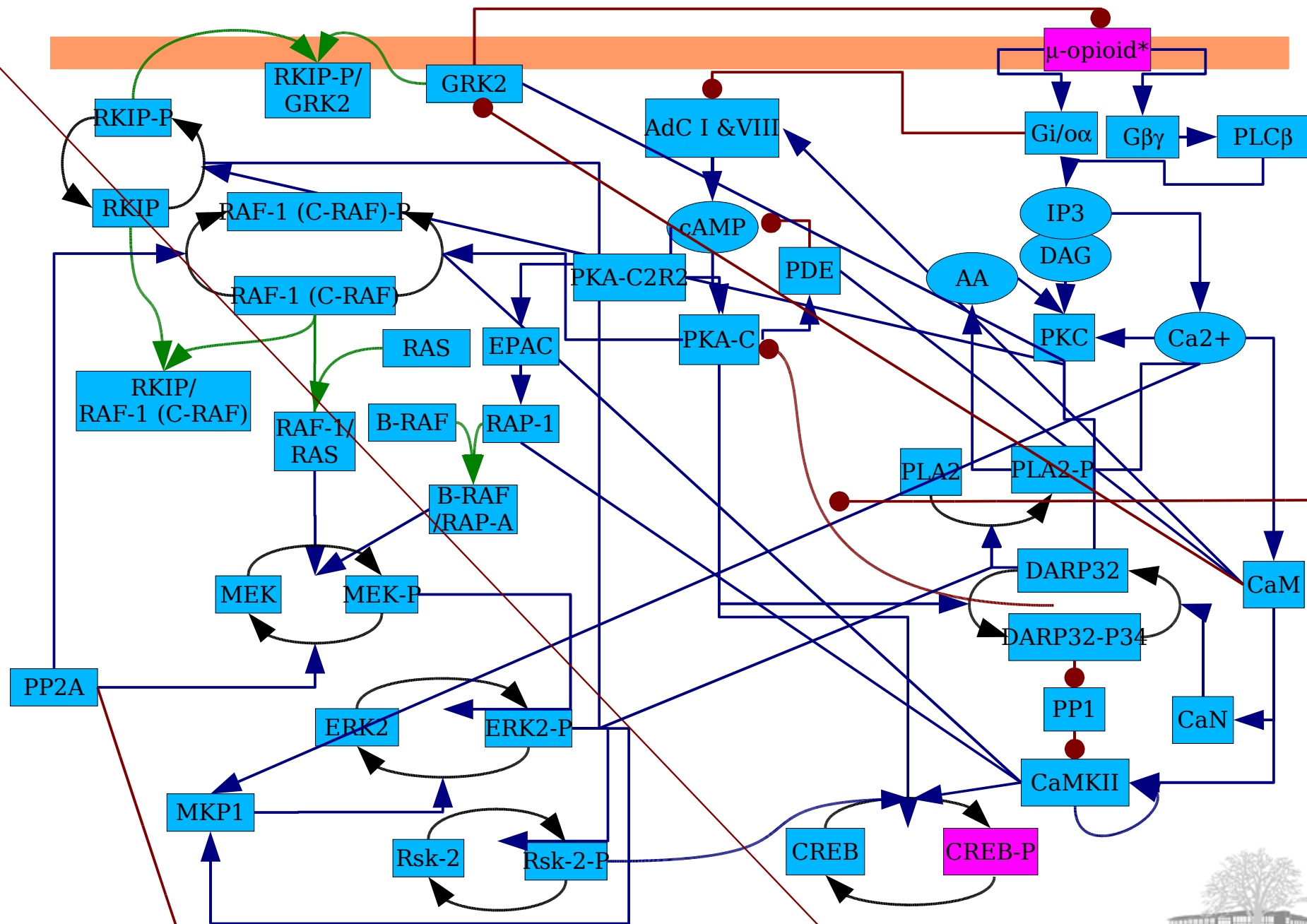
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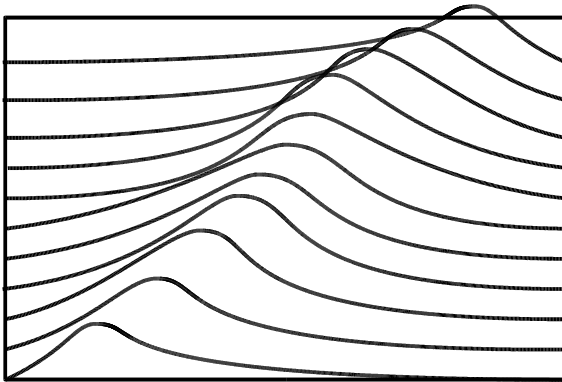


(2)-The reductionism

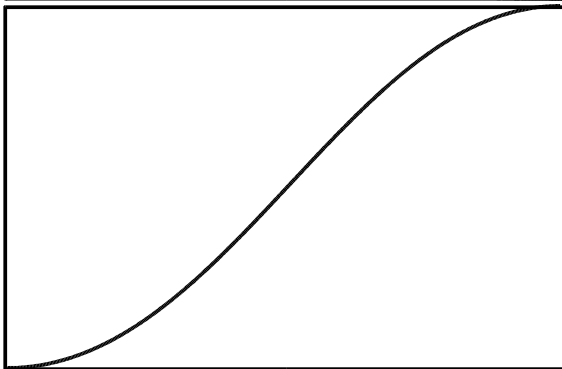




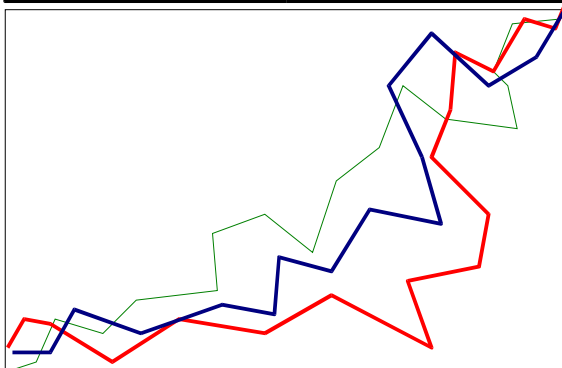
- Reconstruction of dynamic systems from the properties of their elementary building blocks
- Made possible by large-scale data production & improvements of computing power and technics
- Cybernetics properties are conserved across systems (control theory: feedback, feedforward, robustness...) Relationships between building blocks are more important than their elementary properties. The theoretical treatment is already available.
- A New Era:
Pre-molecular Biology was descriptive
Molecular Biology made Biology explicative
Systems Biology makes Biology predictive



Grand Probability function: $P(X,t)$



deterministic approach: $(X,t)=f(X',t-1)$

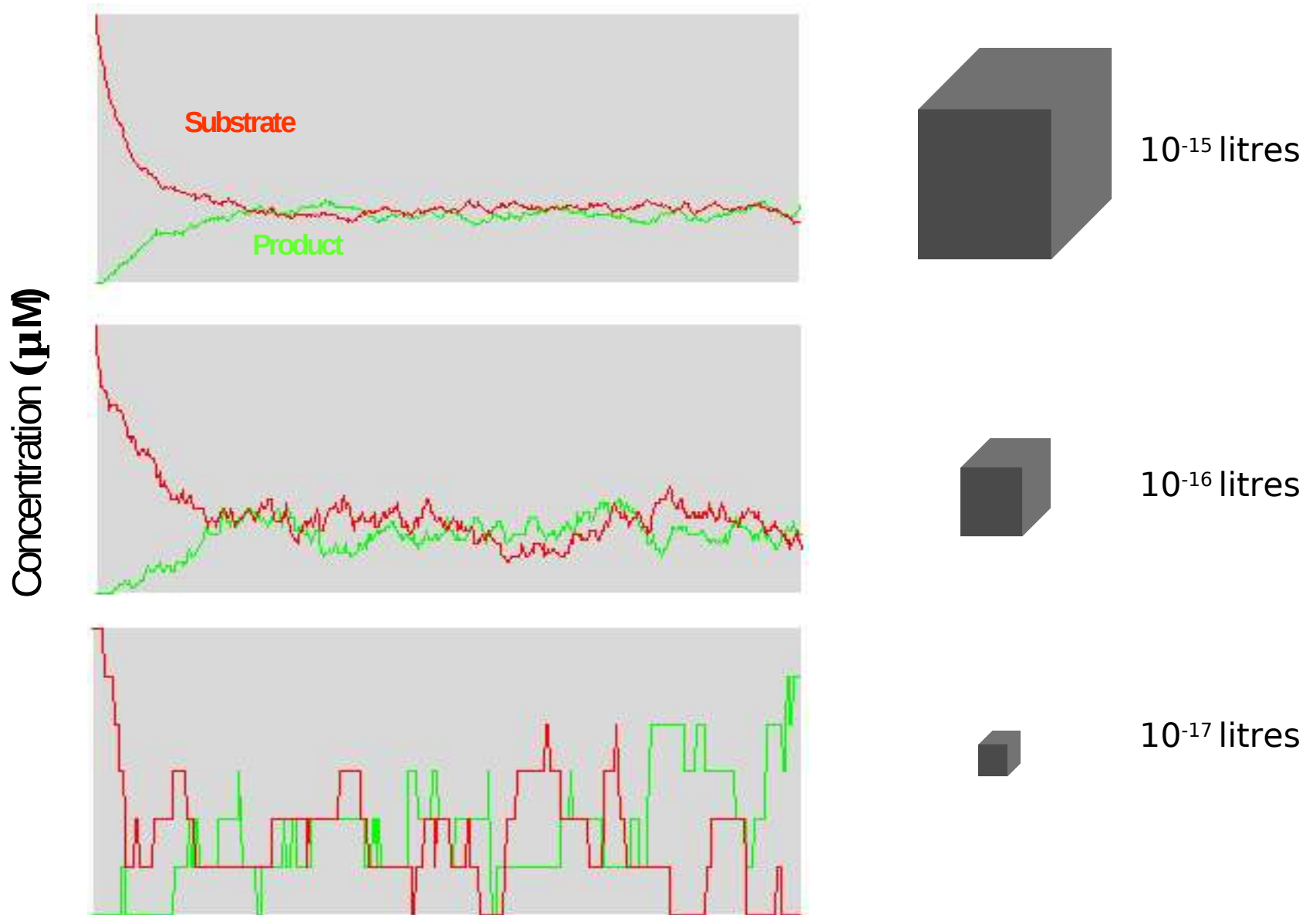


stochastic approach: $P(X,t)/(X',t-1)$

Limitation of deterministic approaches

Continuous, deterministic models can't cope with:

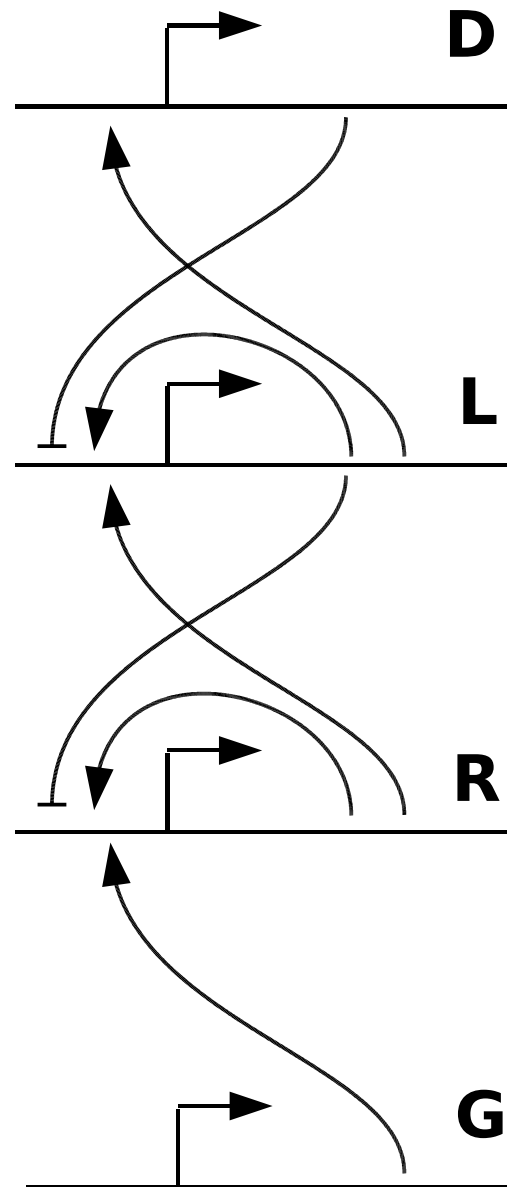
1. Protein complexes with many states
2. Sensitivity to a very small number of molecules
3. Spatial heterogeneity



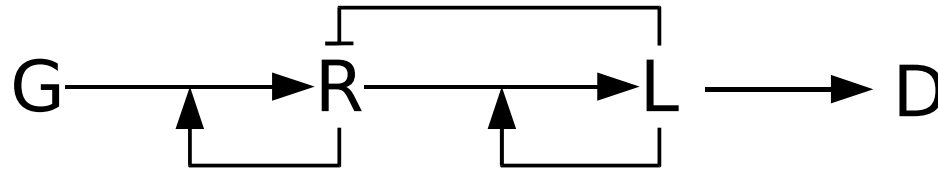
Number of calcium ions in a dendritic spine = 3-5

- ◆ Stochastic master equation (McQuarrie 1964)
 - ~ grand probability function. Generally intractable
- ◆ Gillespie method (Gillespie 1976)
 - Reaction-based stochastic algorithm. No representation of individual particles. « Fast »
- ◆ particle-based methods. E.g. StochSim (Morton-Firth *et al.* 1998)
 - Molecule-based stochastic algorithm. individual particles are represented. Slow ...

A simple oscillating system



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Lotka, A.J. 1925. Elements of physical biology.
Williams and Wilkins, Baltimore, M.D.

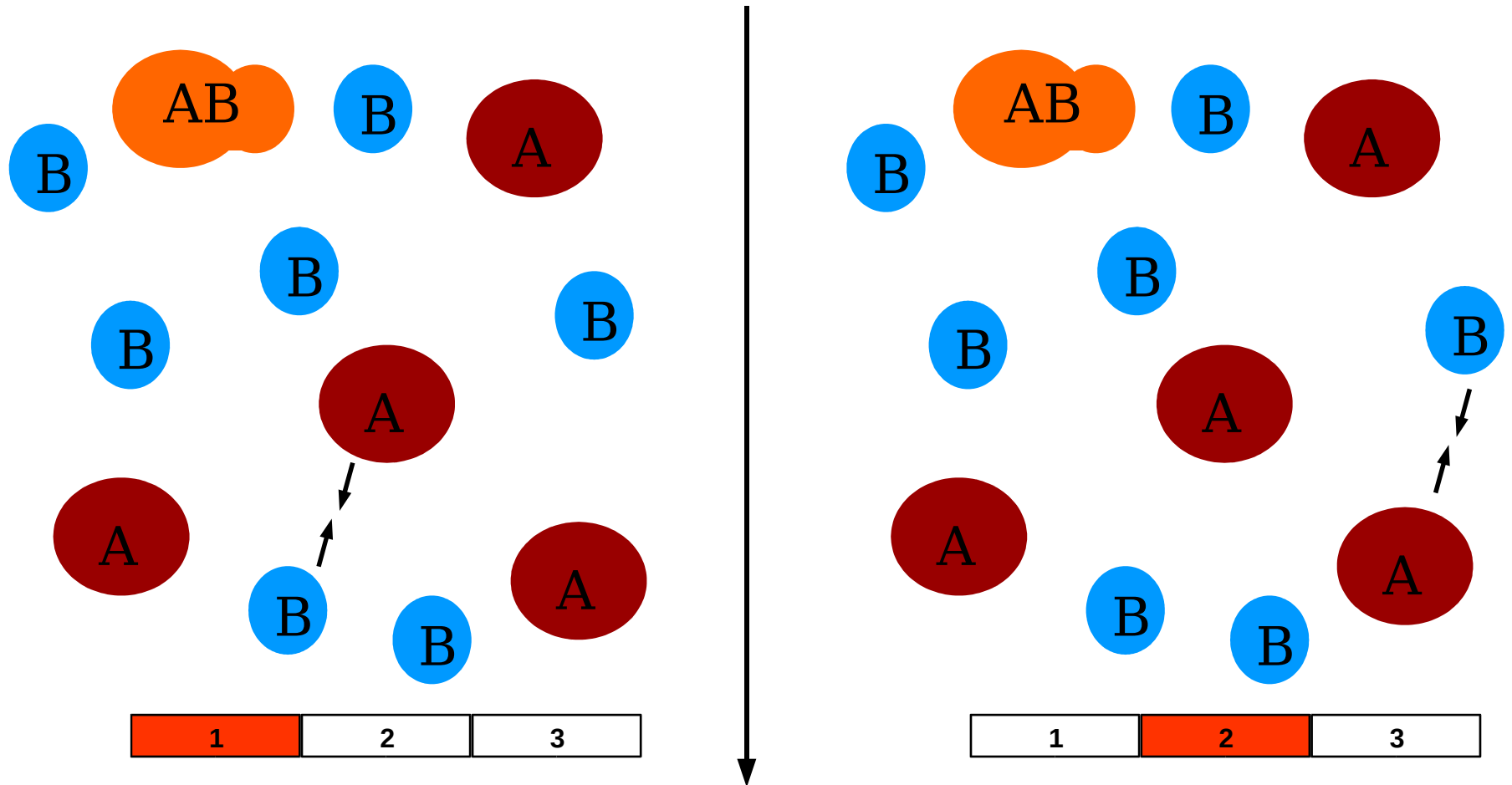
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Considered Mathematically," Nature 118, 558-560.

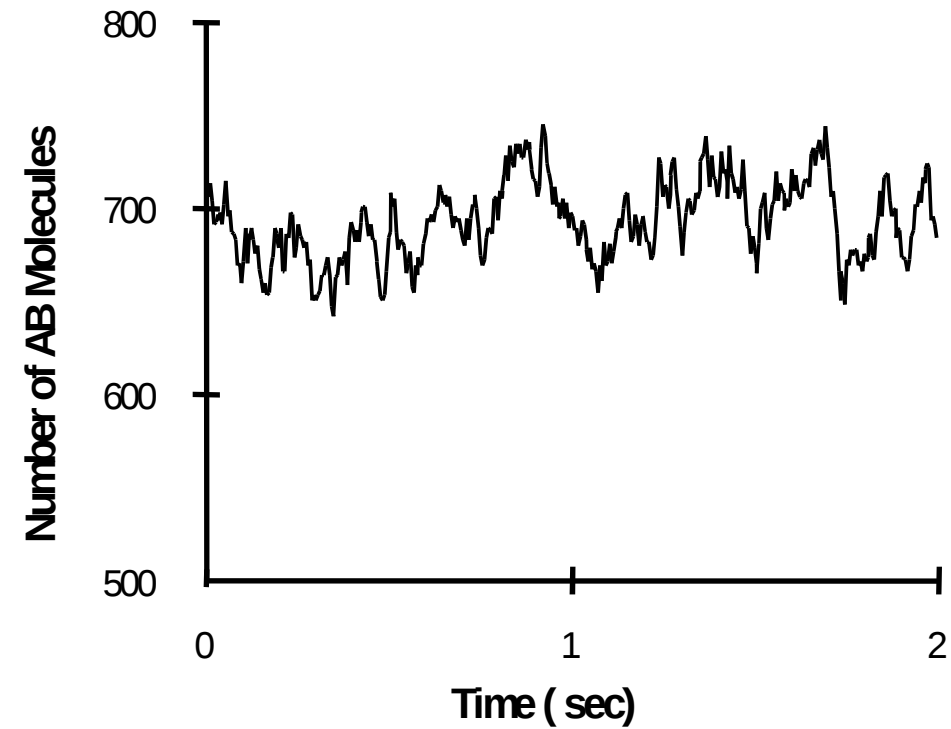
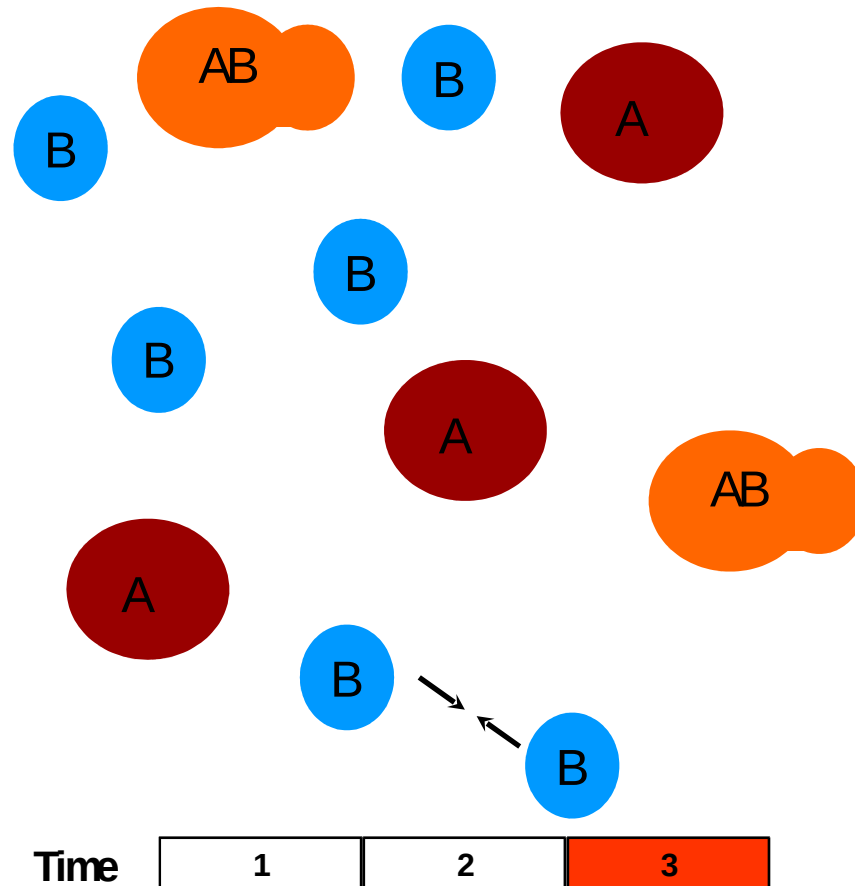
Predator-Prey model:
G = Grass
R = Rabbit (Snowshoe Hare)
L = Lynx
D = Death



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Nicolas Le Novère, Dennis Bray**

**[http://www.anat.cam.ac.uk/
~comp-cell/StochSim.html](http://www.anat.cam.ac.uk/~comp-cell/StochSim.html)**





$$d[R]/dt = k_1[G][R]$$

$$P_1 = \frac{k_1 n(n+n_0)\Delta t}{2VN_A}$$

$$d[L]/dt = -k_3[L]$$

$$P_3 = \frac{k_3 n(n+n_0)\Delta t}{n_0}$$

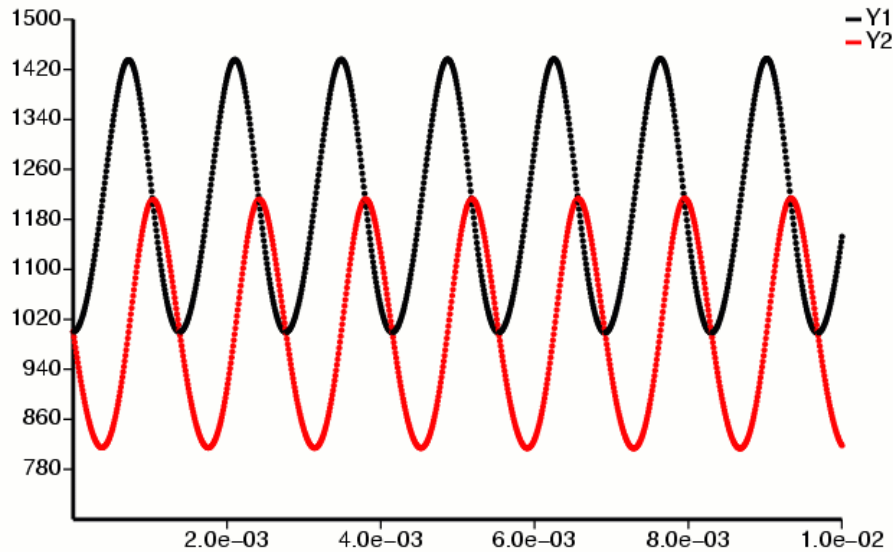
n : # molecules in the system

n_0 : # pseudomolecules in the system

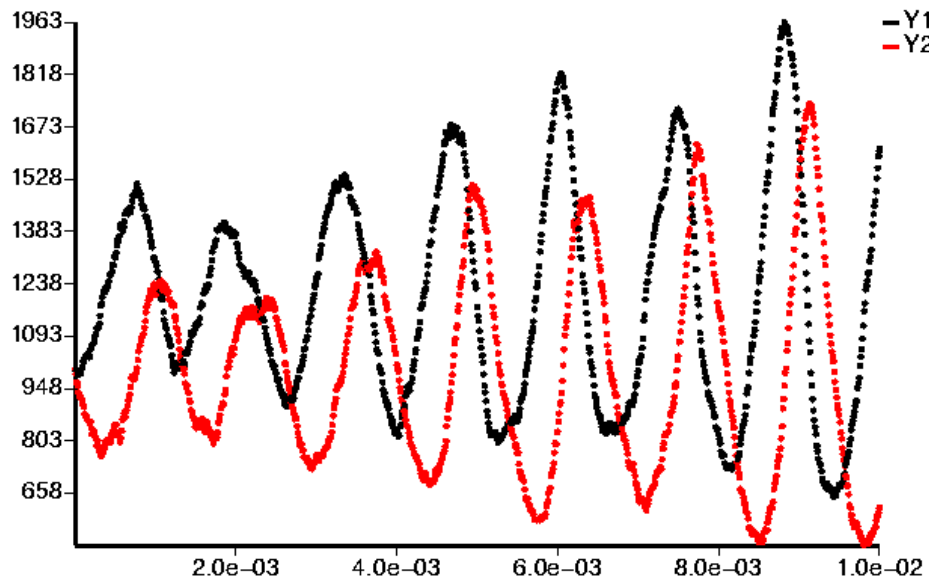
V : volume of the system

N_A : Avogadro constant

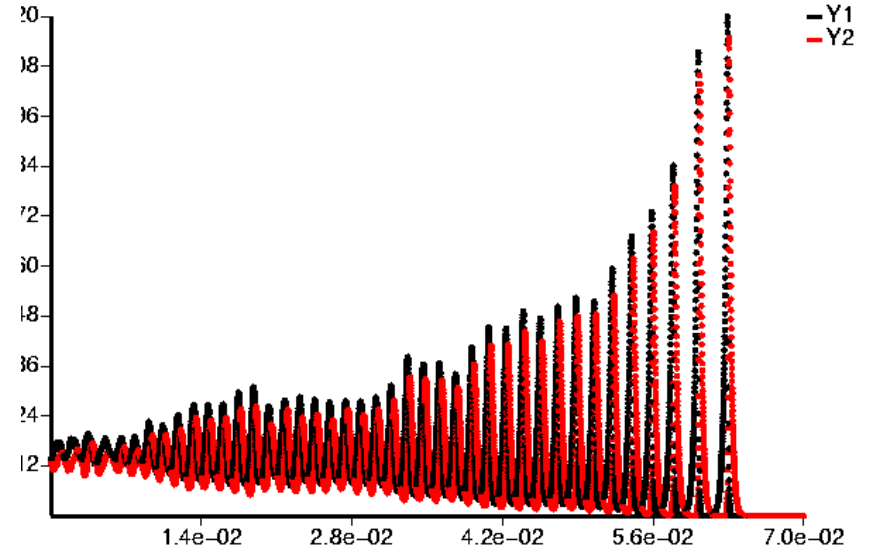
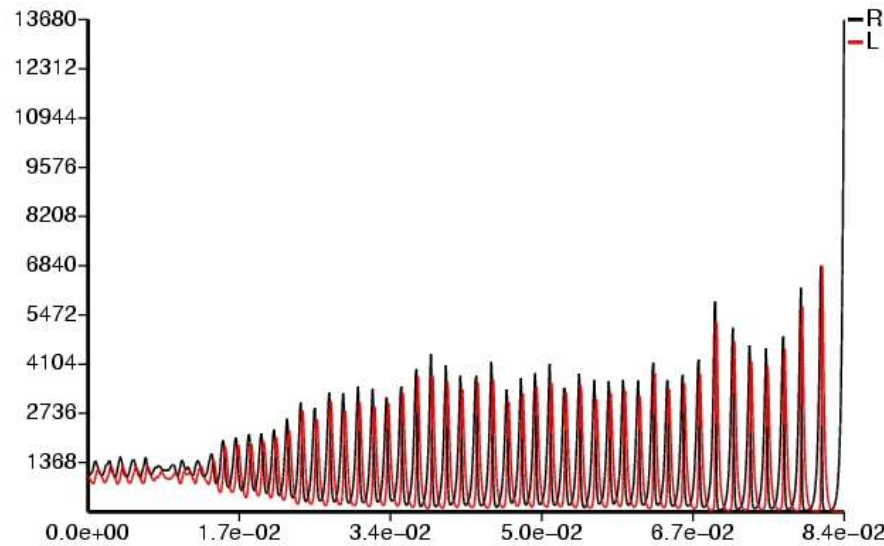
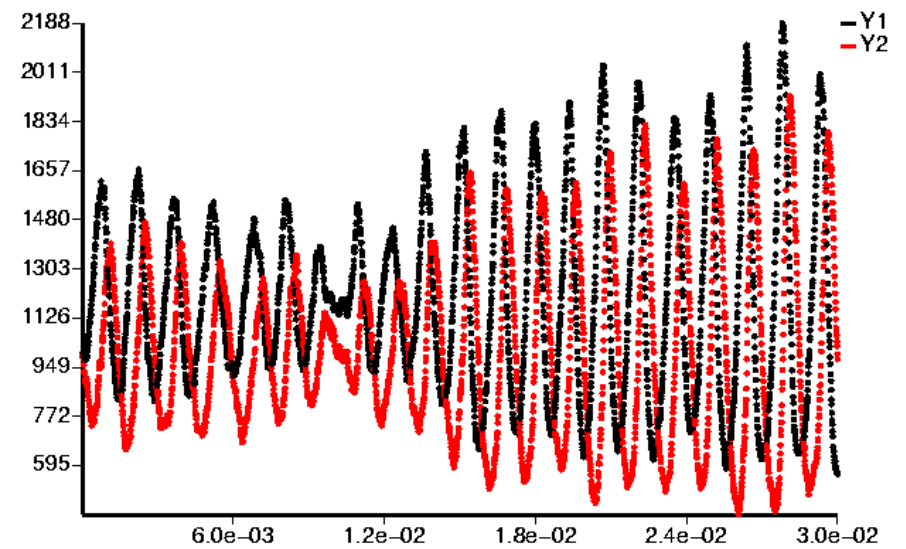
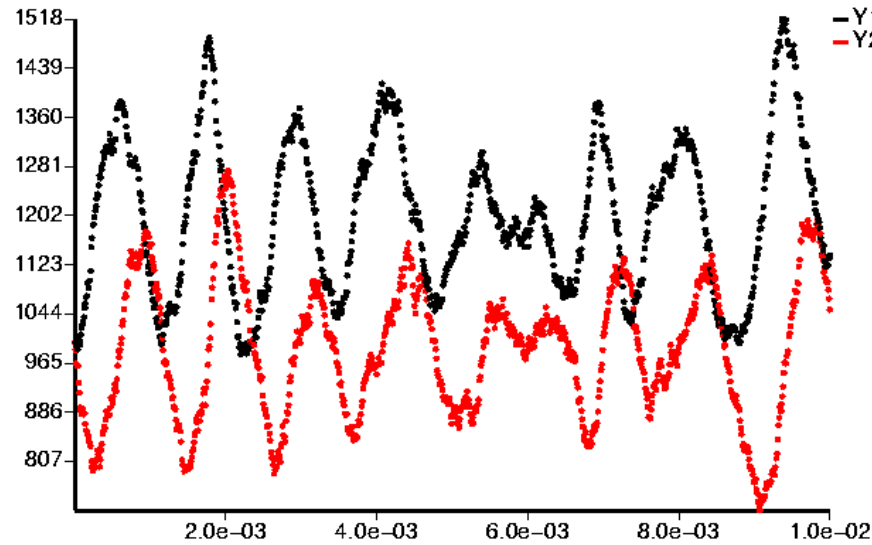
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deterministic result

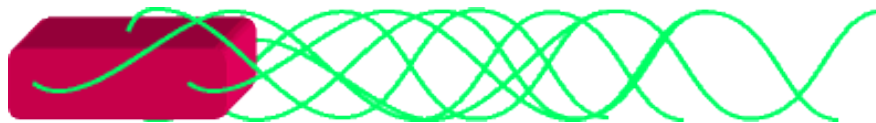


stochastic result

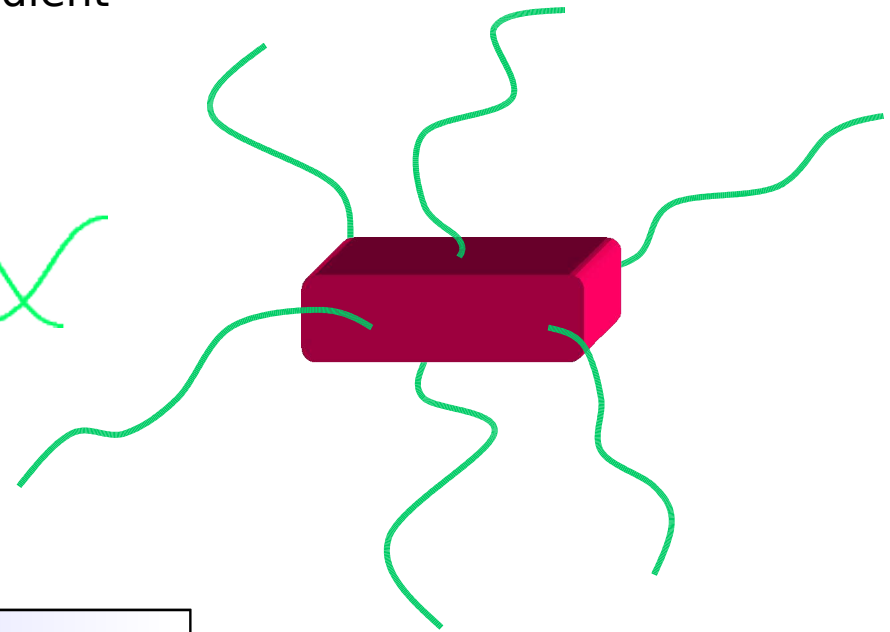


Mechanism of bacterial chemotaxis

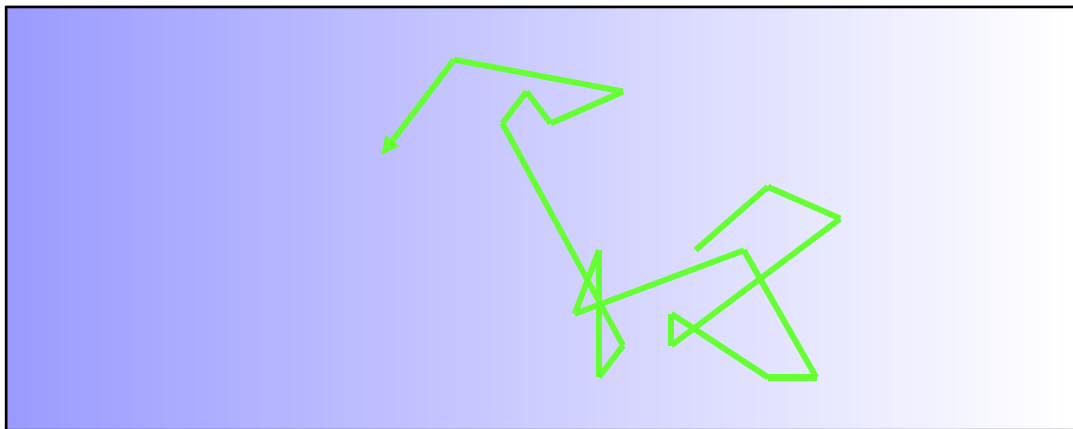
- small size $\Rightarrow$ unable to read gradient
- small weight $\Rightarrow$ no inertia



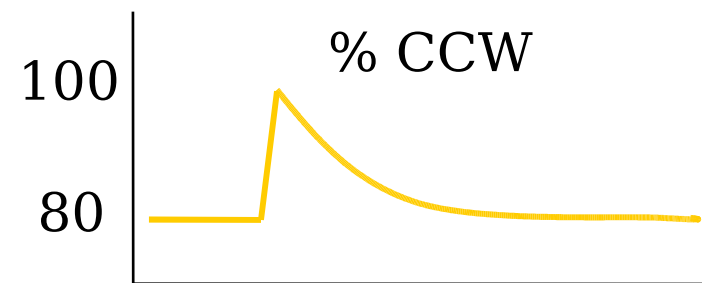
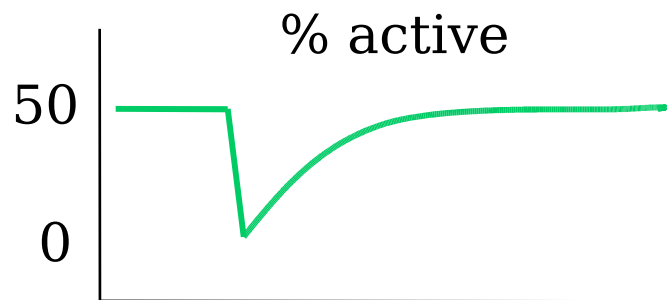
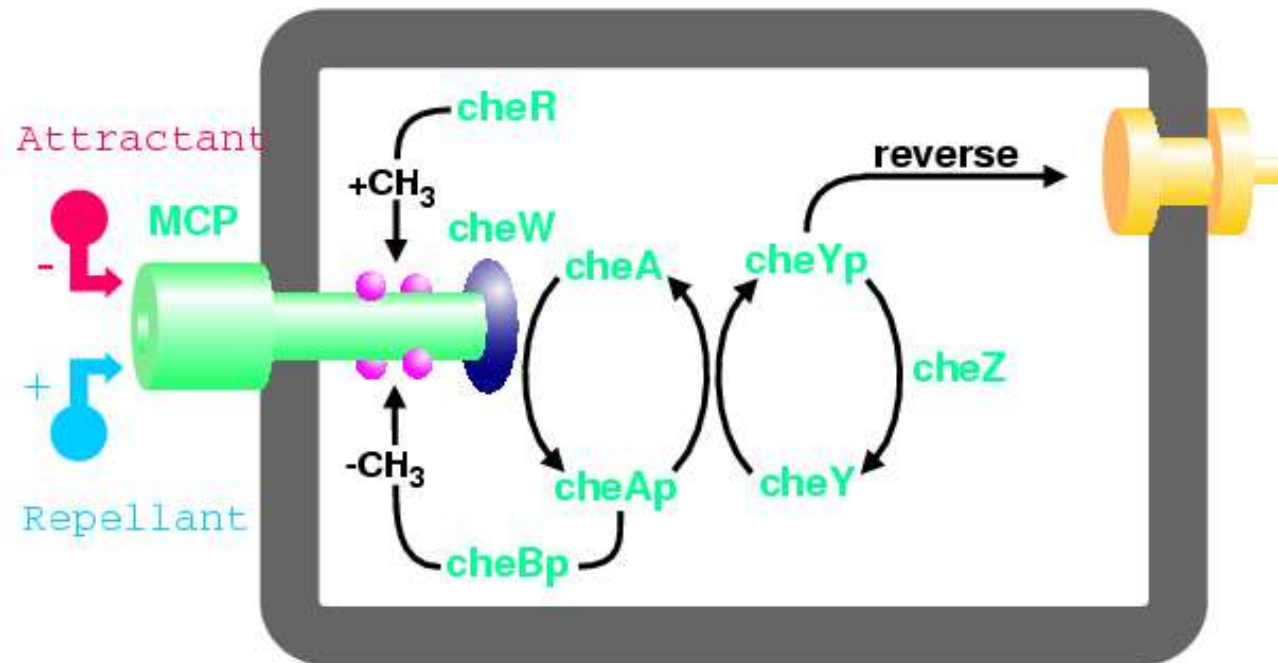
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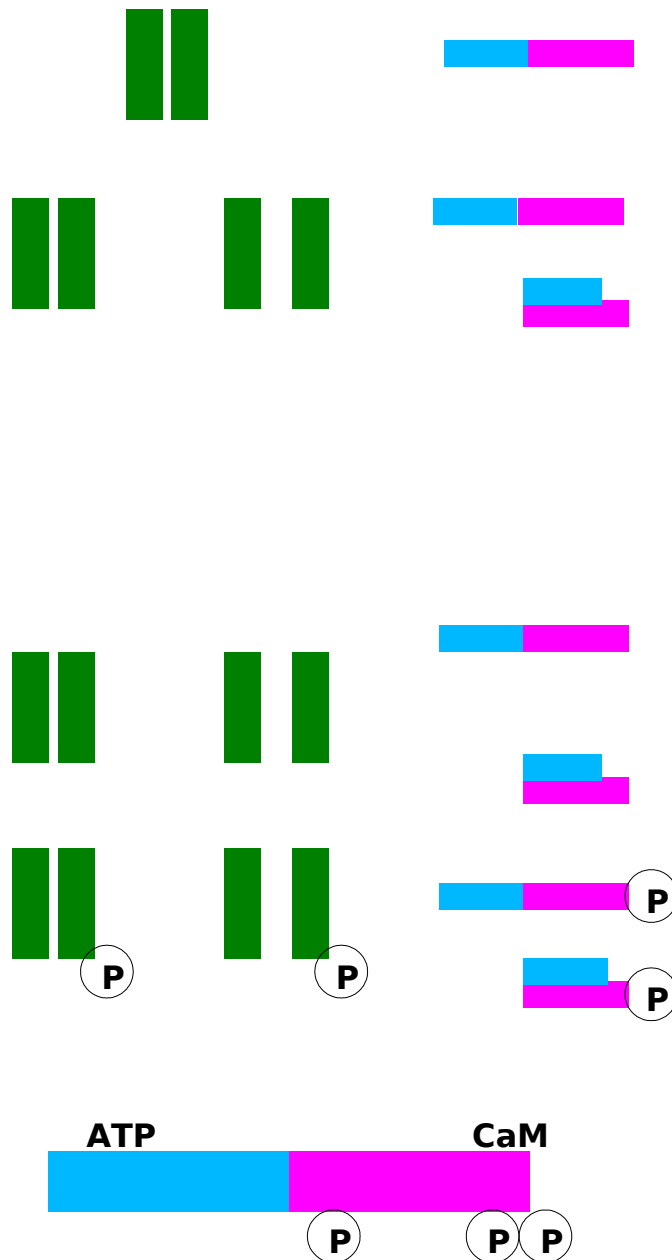


CW = tumble



Mechanism of bacterial chemotaxis





NMDA + CaMKII $\rightleftharpoons$ NMDA-CaMKII

NMDAc + CaMKIIc $\rightleftharpoons$ NMDAc-CaMKIIc

NMDAo + CaMKIIc $\rightleftharpoons$ NMDAc-CaMKIIc

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pNMDAc + CaMKIIc $\rightleftharpoons$ pNMDAc-CaMKIIc

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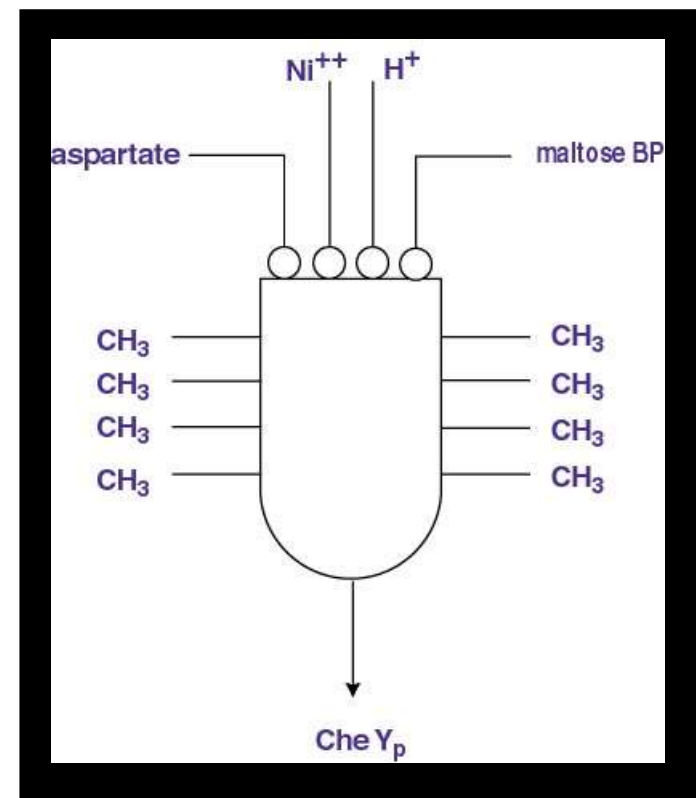
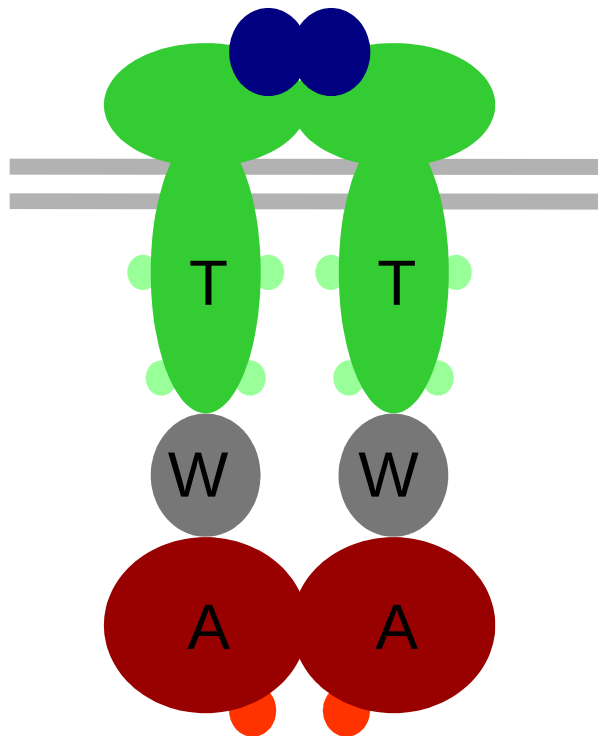
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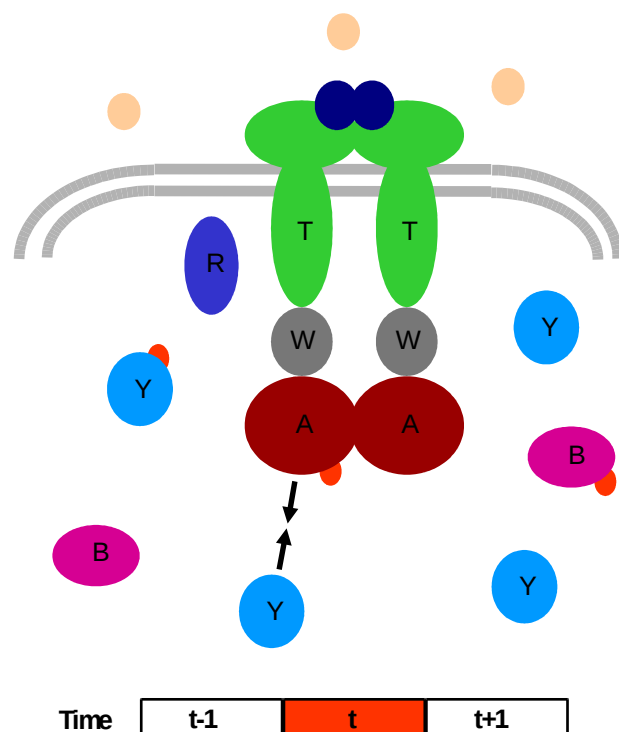
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Internal states represented by binary flags



Reaction probabilities can be modified by the state of a participating multistate complex

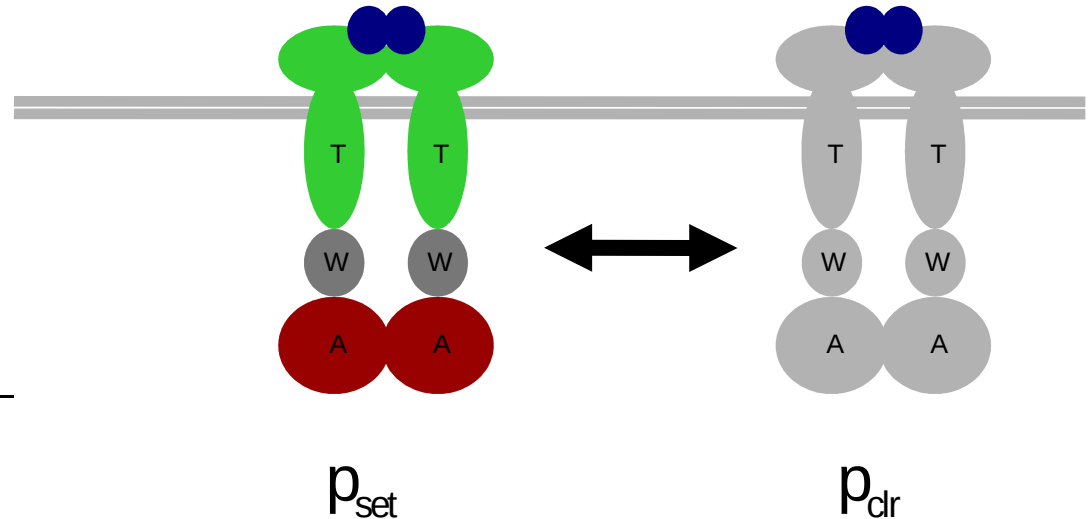


$$p_{MS} = p_{base} \times p_{rel}$$

Where p_{base} is the base probability, and p_{rel} is the state-dependent relative probability.

- *Instantaneously* determines state of flag according to predefined probabilities.
- Probability can depend on the state of other flags.
- Primarily used to represent conformational 'flipping'.

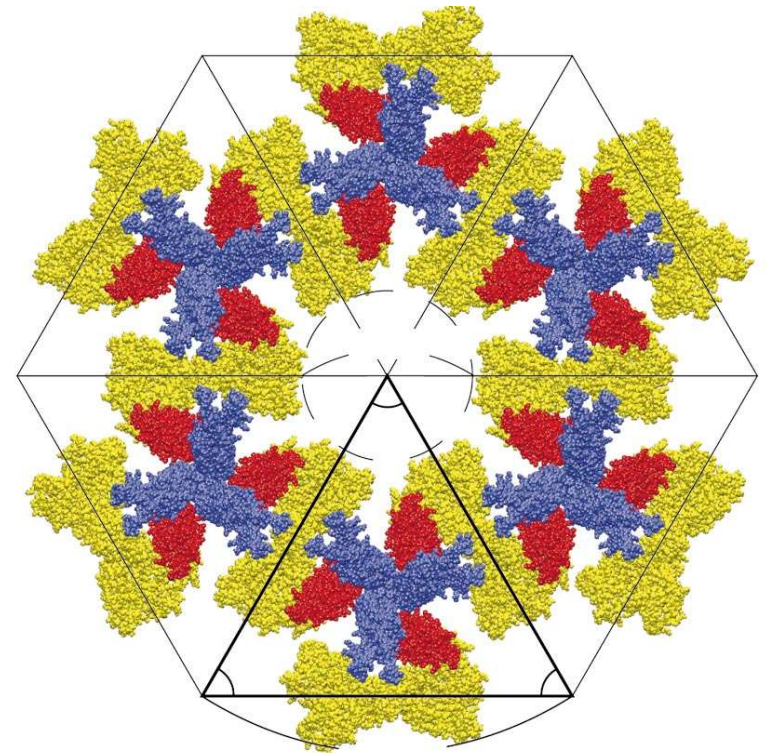
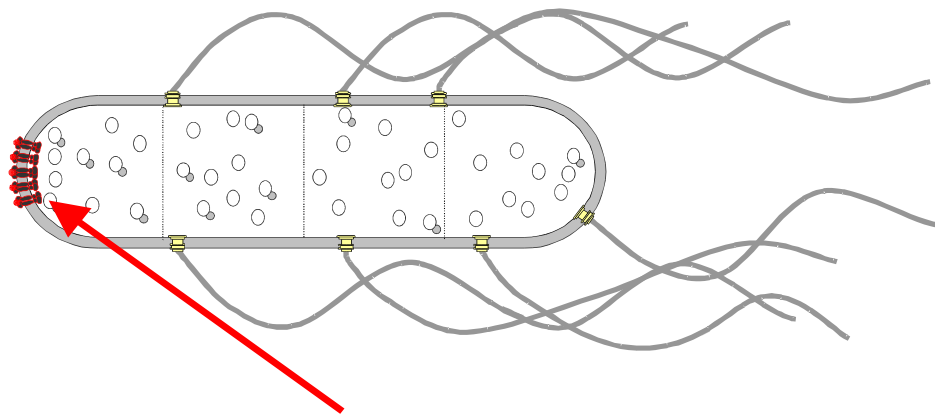
$$\Delta G = -RT \ln \frac{p_{\text{set}}}{p_{\text{clear}}}$$



Free-energy based activation probabilities

Non-ligand bound			Ligand bound		
Species	p	ΔG (kcal/mol)	Species	p	ΔG (kcal/mol)
	0.017	2.37		0.003	3.55
	0.125	1.18		0.017	2.37
	0.500	0.00		0.125	1.18
	0.874	1.18		0.500	0.00
	0.997	3.55		0.980	2.37

Chemotactic receptors form clusters at cell poles in *E. coli*.
(Maddock and Shapiro 1993, Shimizu, Le Novère et al 2000).



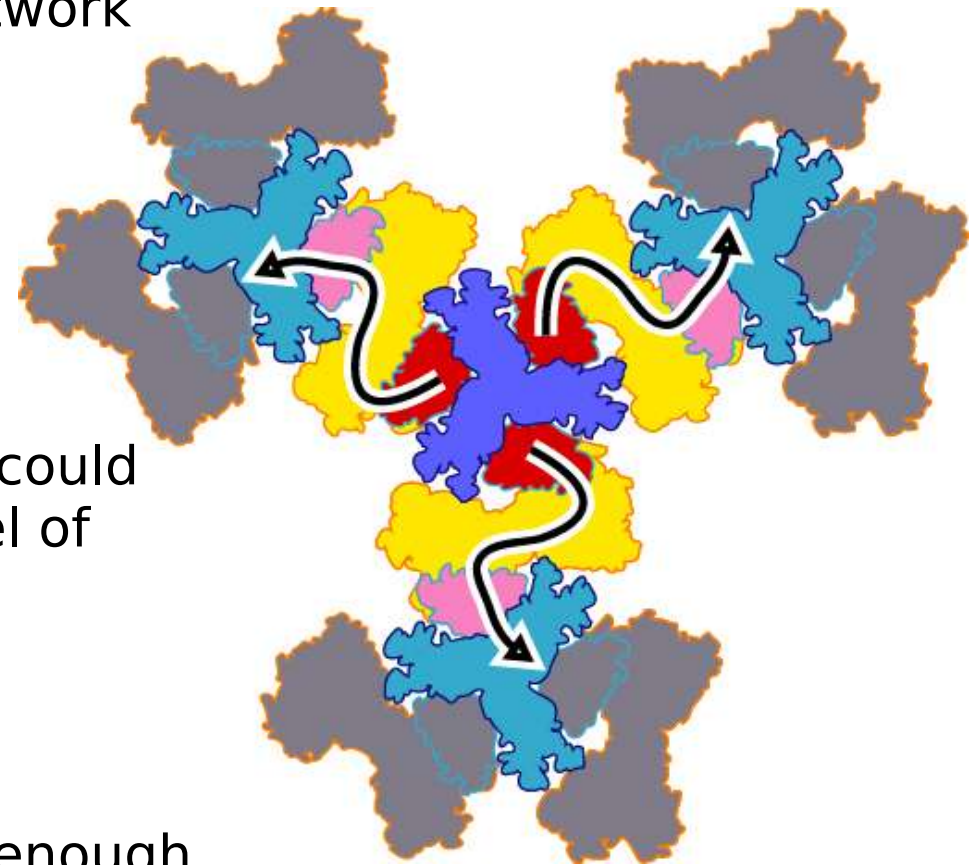
Clustered Receptors could enhance sensitivity (Changeux *et al.* 1967, Bray *et al.* 1998).

Integration of various signals (Hazelbauer *et al.* 1989).

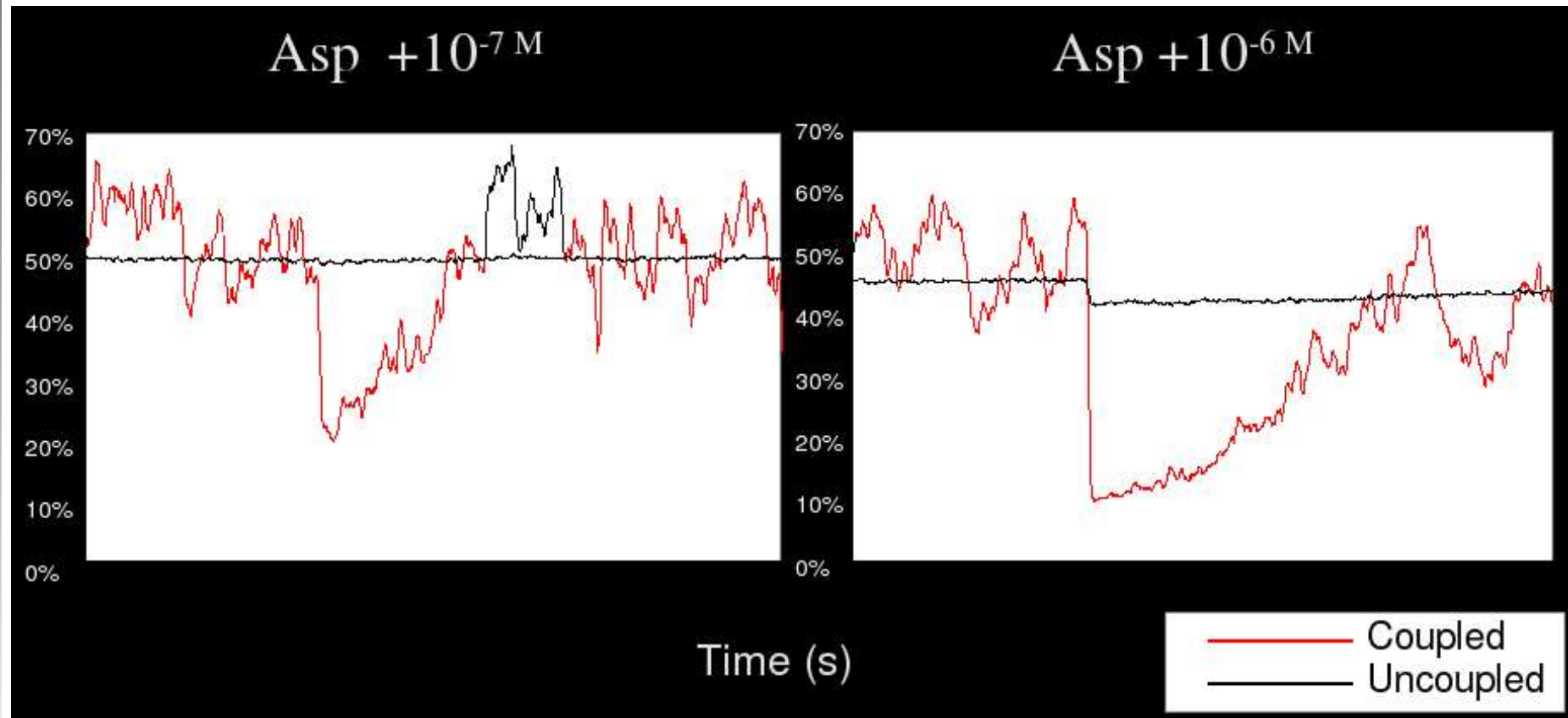
Free-energy values for coupled receptors

		Ligand unbound					Ligand bound					
	Species	0	1	2	3	4	Species	0	1	2	3	4
p		0.00	0.00	0.02	0.08	0.30		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.07
ΔG		4.47	3.49	2.50	1.51	0.53		5.55	4.56	3.58	2.59	1.61
p		0.01	0.03	0.13	0.41	0.78		0.00	0.00	0.02	0.08	0.30
ΔG		3.17	2.18	1.20	0.21	-0.77		4.47	3.49	2.50	1.51	0.53
p		0.04	0.17	0.50	0.83	0.96		0.01	0.03	0.13	0.41	0.78
ΔG		1.97	0.99	0.00	-0.99	-1.97		3.17	2.18	1.20	0.21	-0.77
p		0.22	0.58	0.87	0.97	0.99		0.04	0.17	0.50	0.83	0.96
ΔG		0.78	-0.21	-1.19	-2.18	-3.16		1.97	0.99	0.00	-0.99	-1.97
p		0.93	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.00		0.67	0.91	0.98	1.00	1.00
ΔG		-1.61	-2.59	-3.58	-4.56	-5.55		-0.43	-1.41	-2.40	-3.38	-4.37

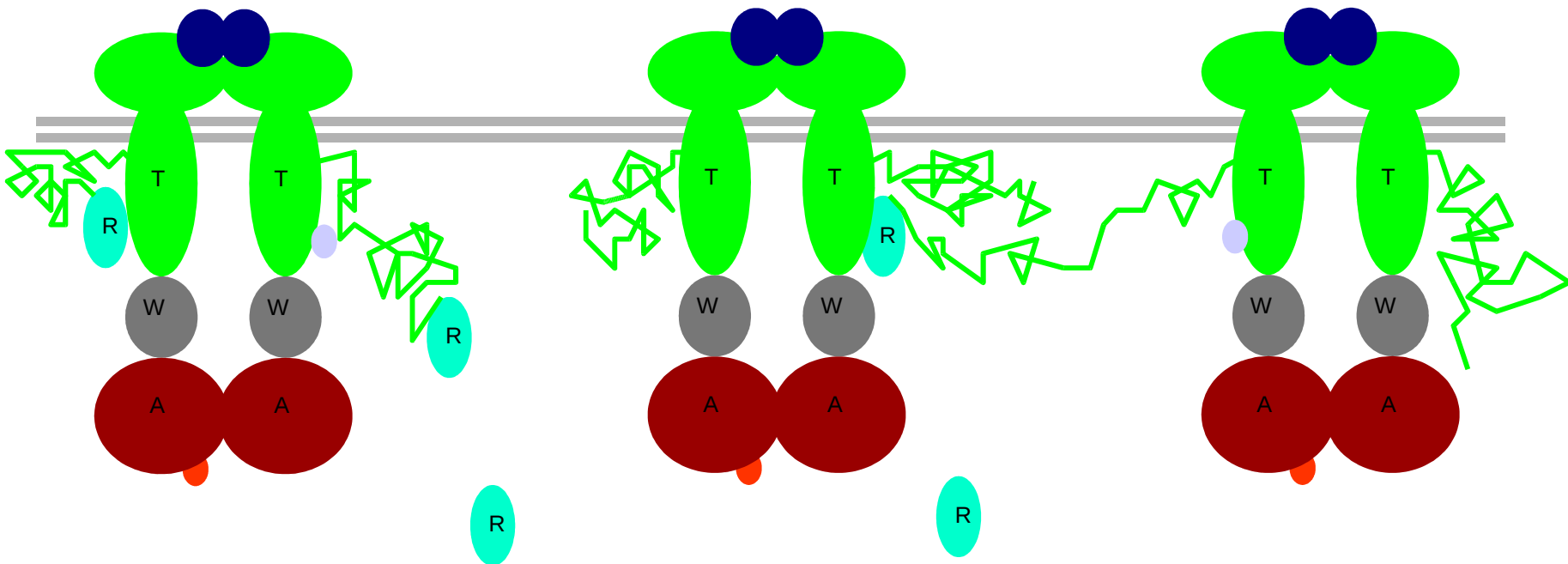
- Conformational changes could be propagated through the network via CheA/CheW
⇒ Enhanced gain;
- Hybrid networks containing multiple types of receptors could integrate signals at the level of CheA activity;
- Receptor dimers are close enough (6-10 nm) for adaptational cross-talk.

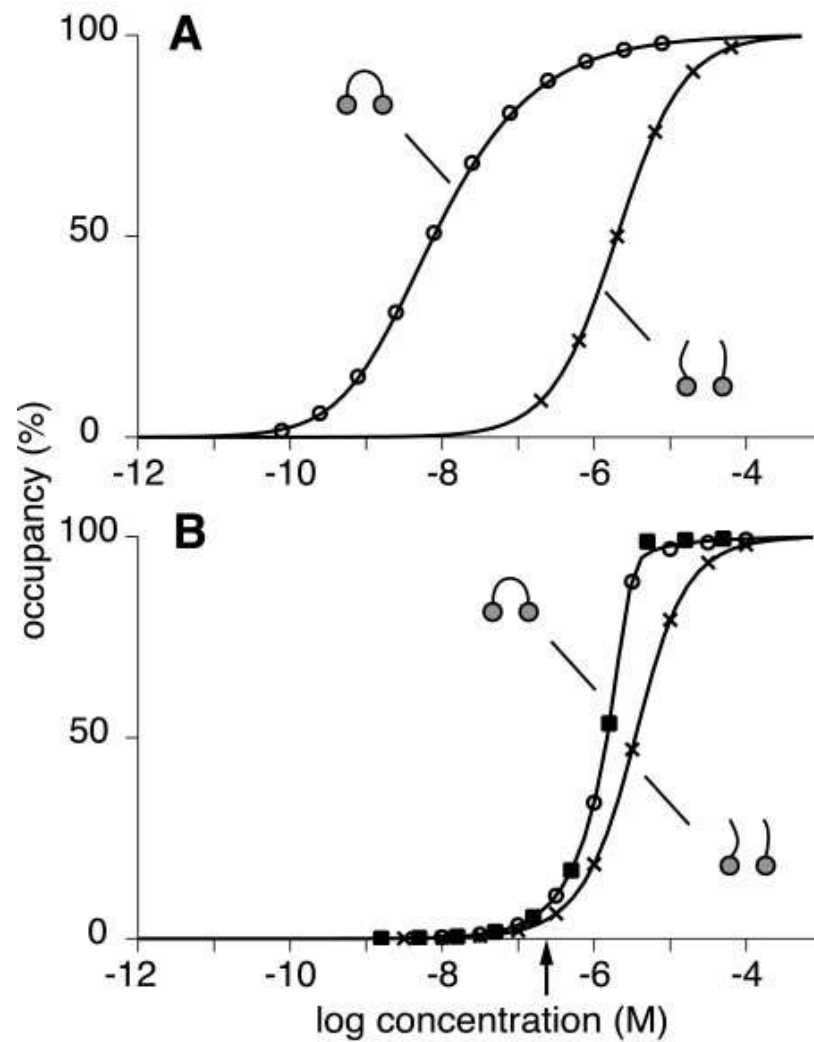


Change in signal



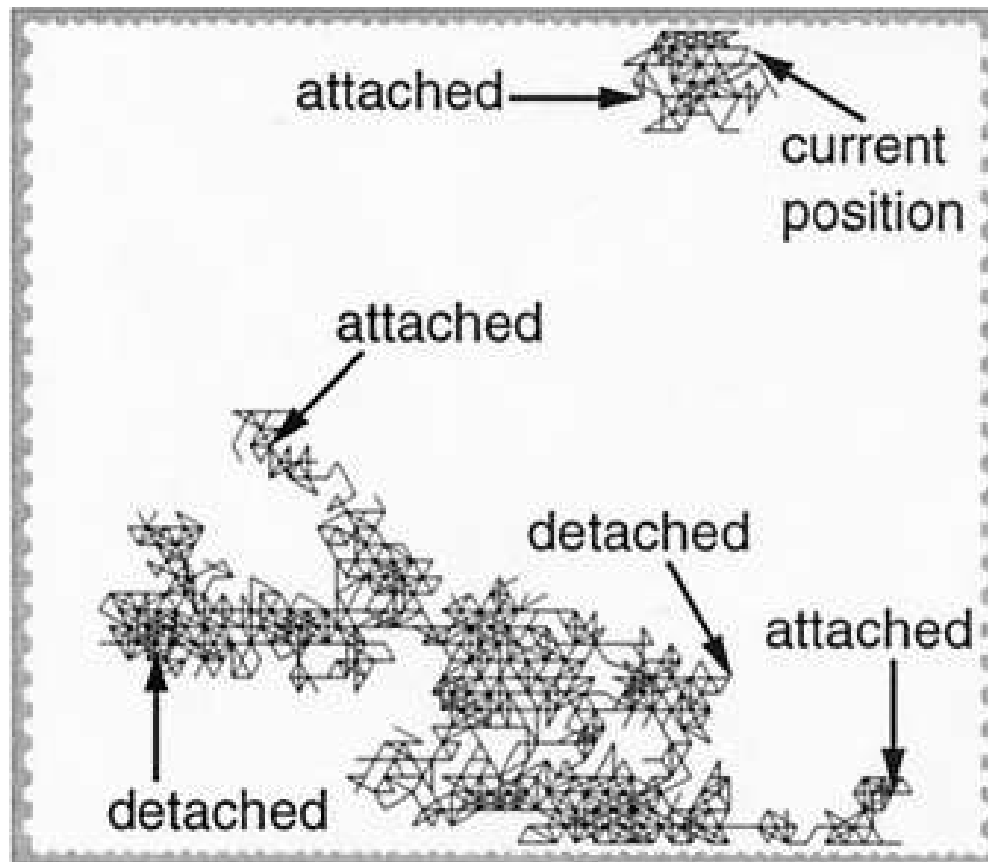
Interaction between receptors and CheR (methyltransferase)





Excess brachiating molecule

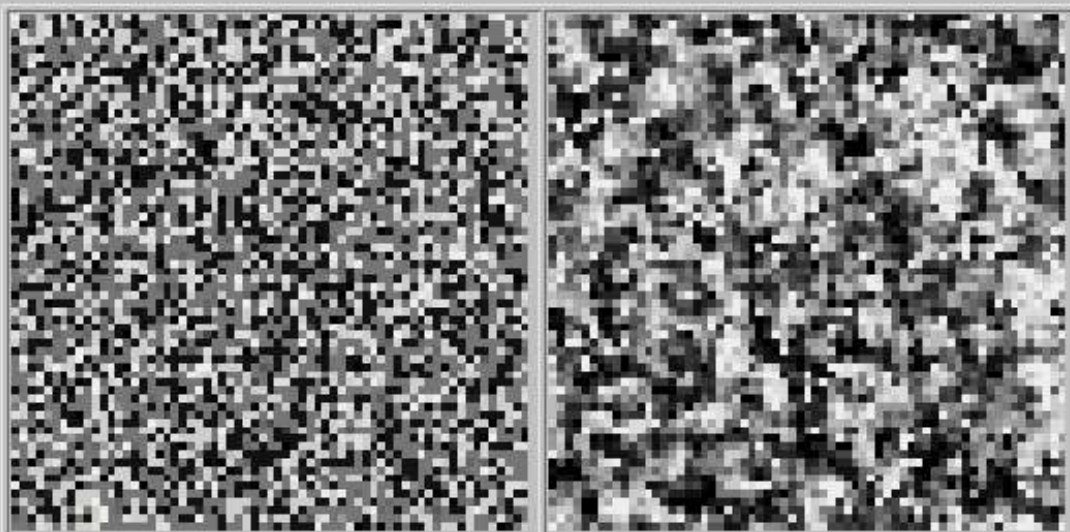
Limiting brachiating molecule



Each CheR molecule visits more receptors, some of them repetitively;

CheR molecules are trapped into the receptor lattice.

Modelisation of a lattice of chemotactic receptors



Non coupled receptors

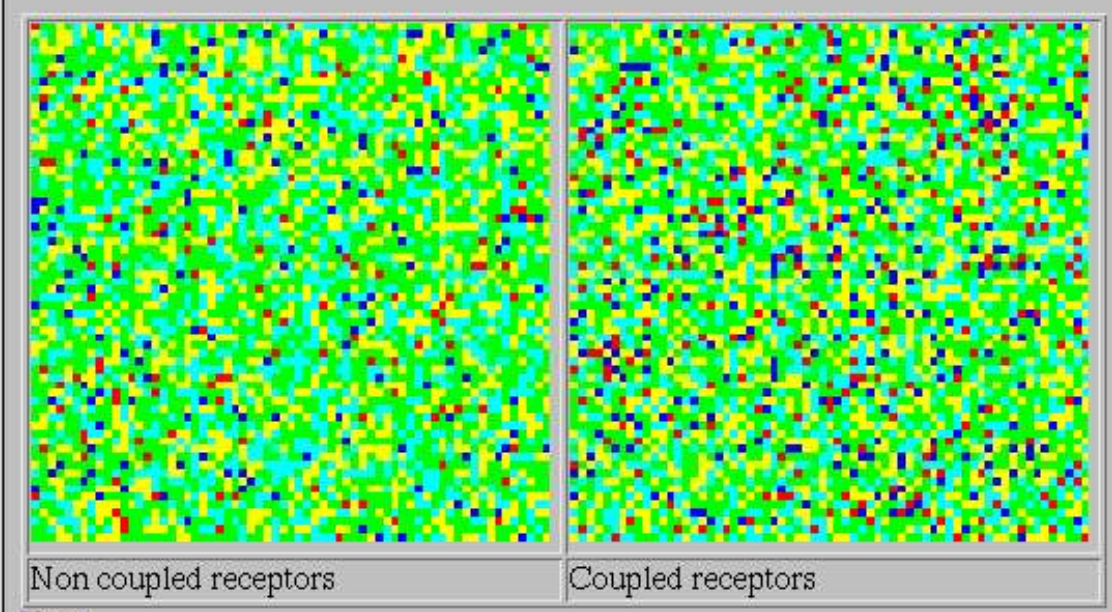
Coupled receptors

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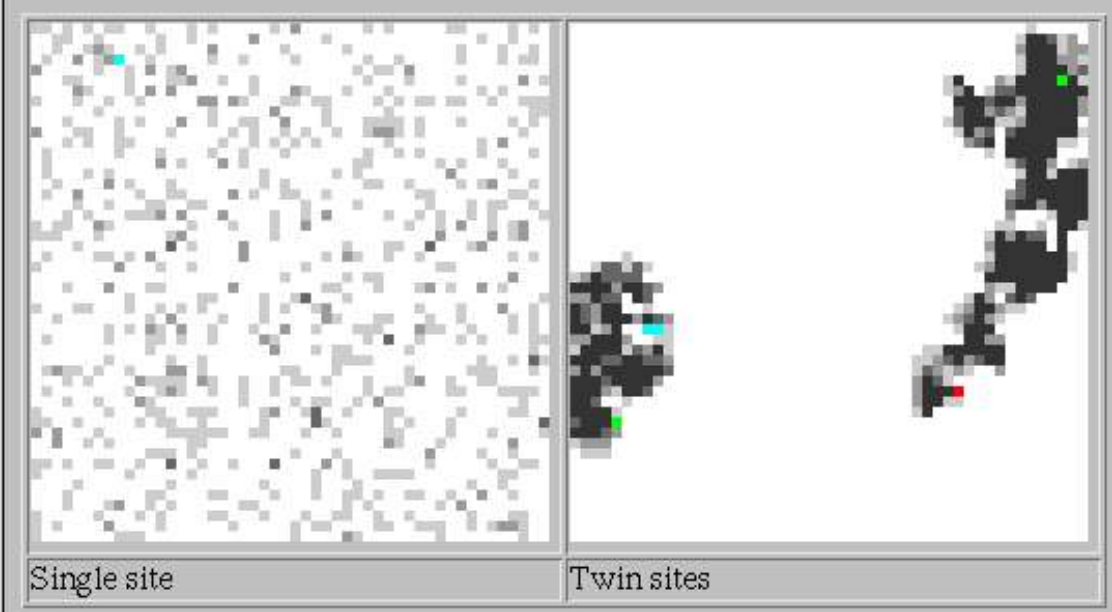


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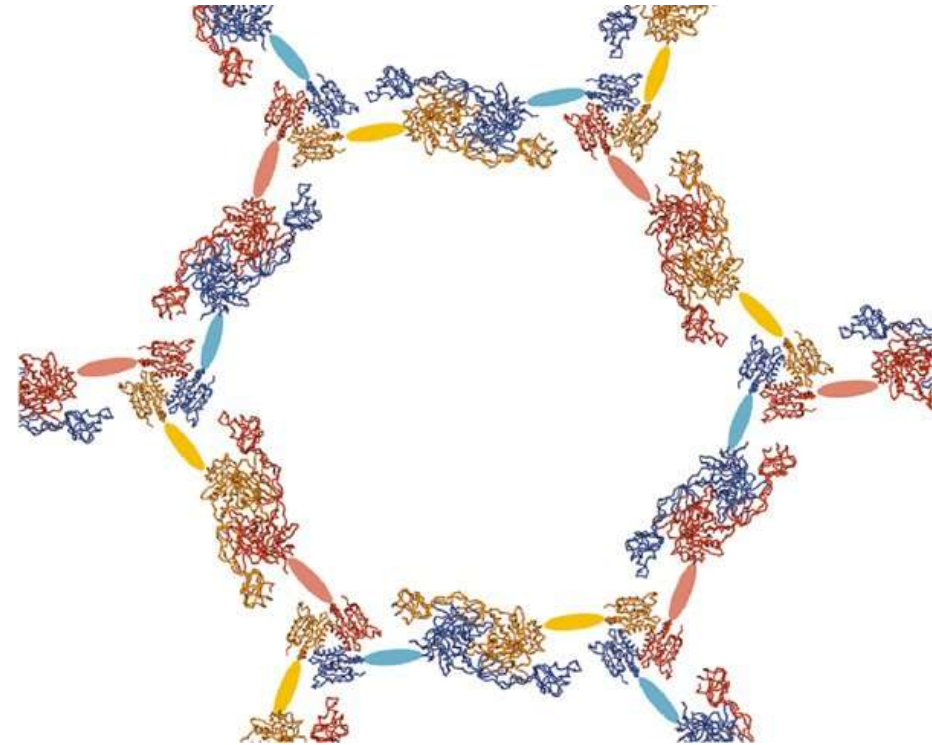
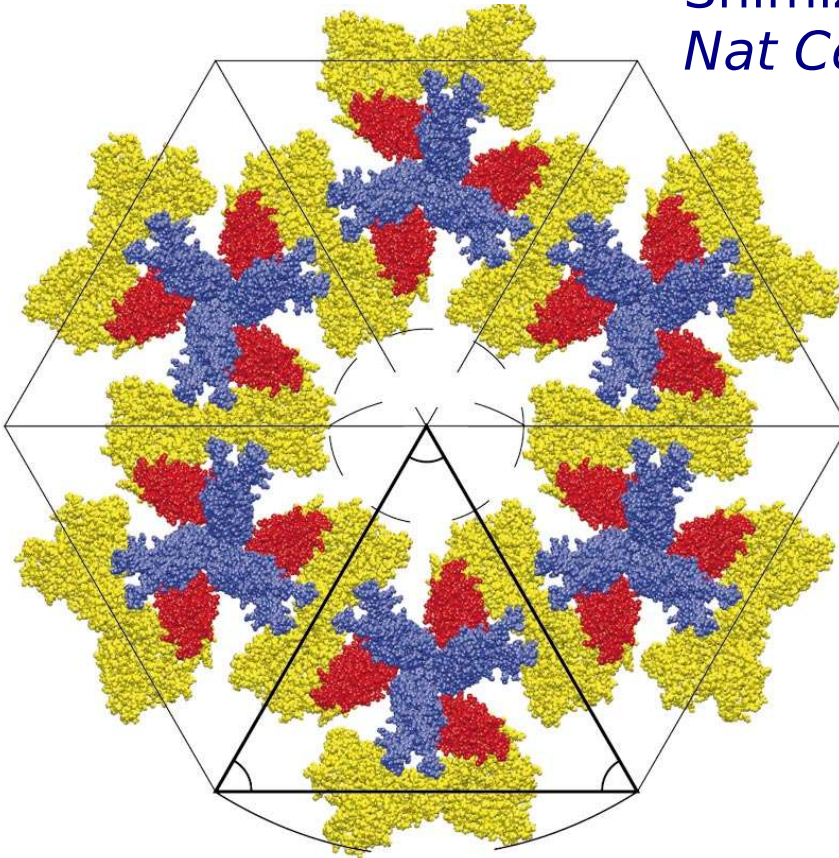
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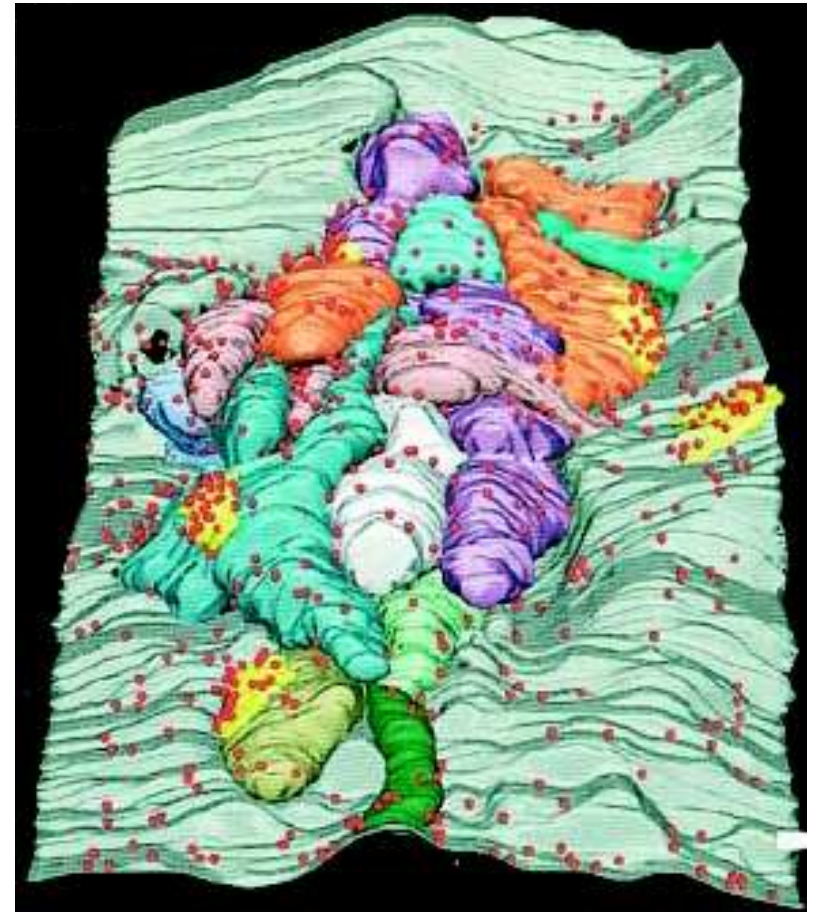
Alright, but what about Neurobiology

Shimizu, Le Novère et al (2000)
Nat Cell Biol, 2:792-796



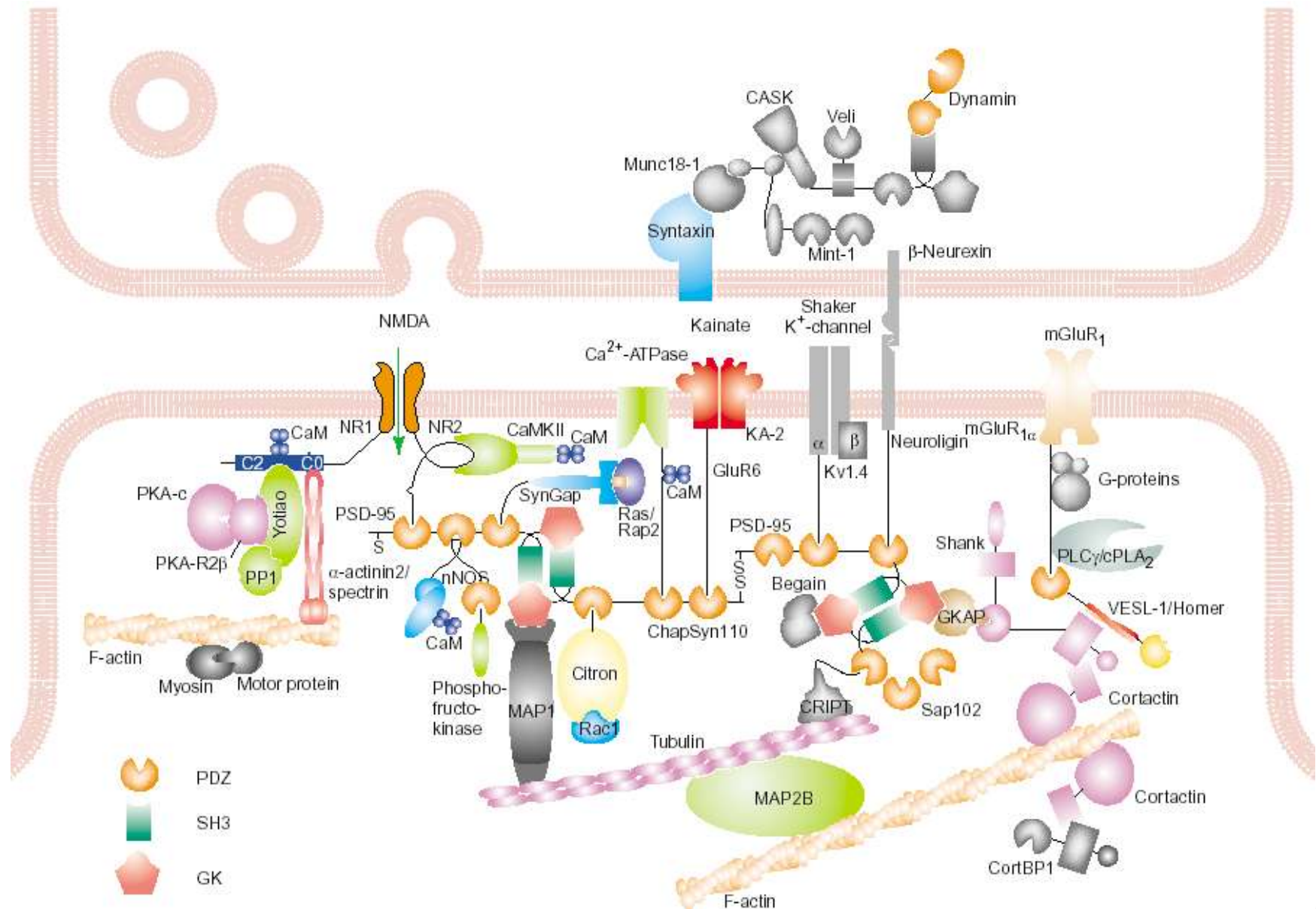
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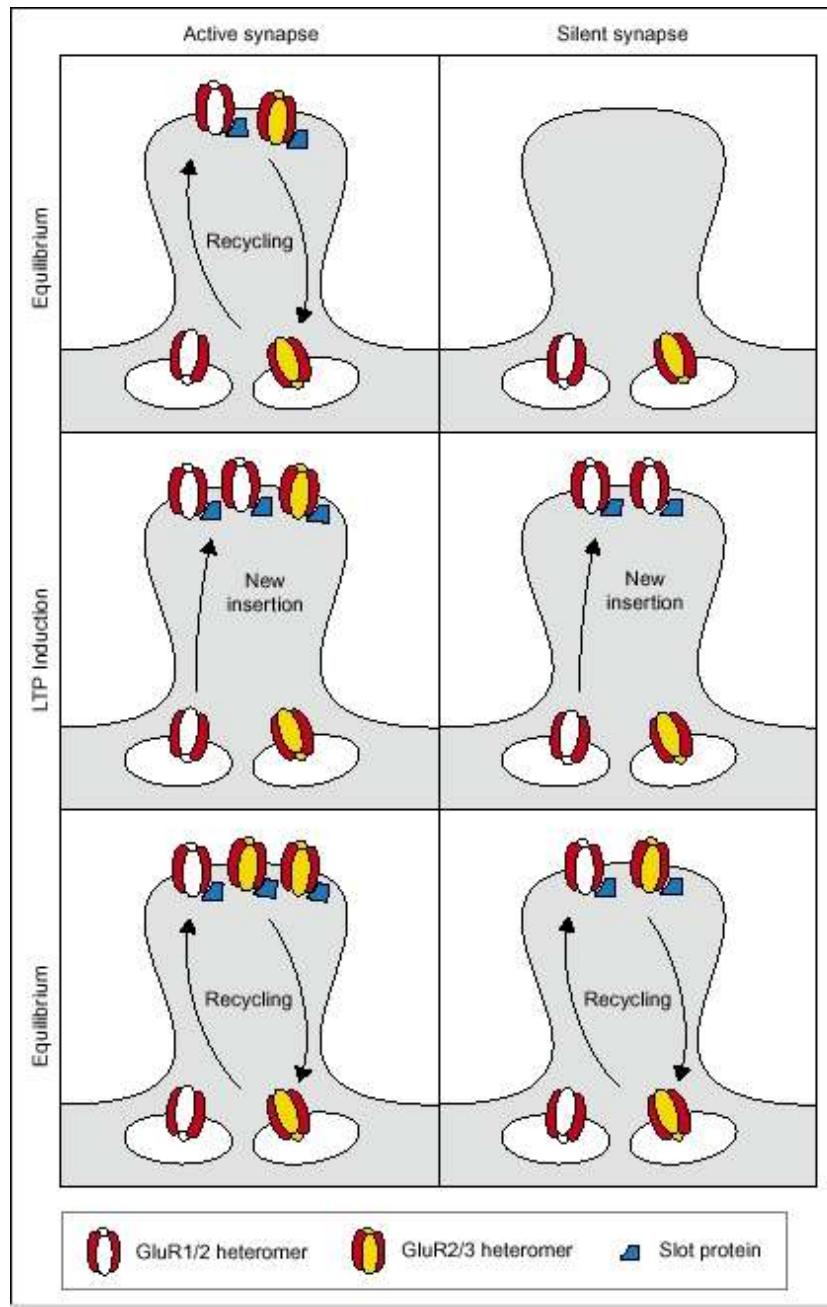
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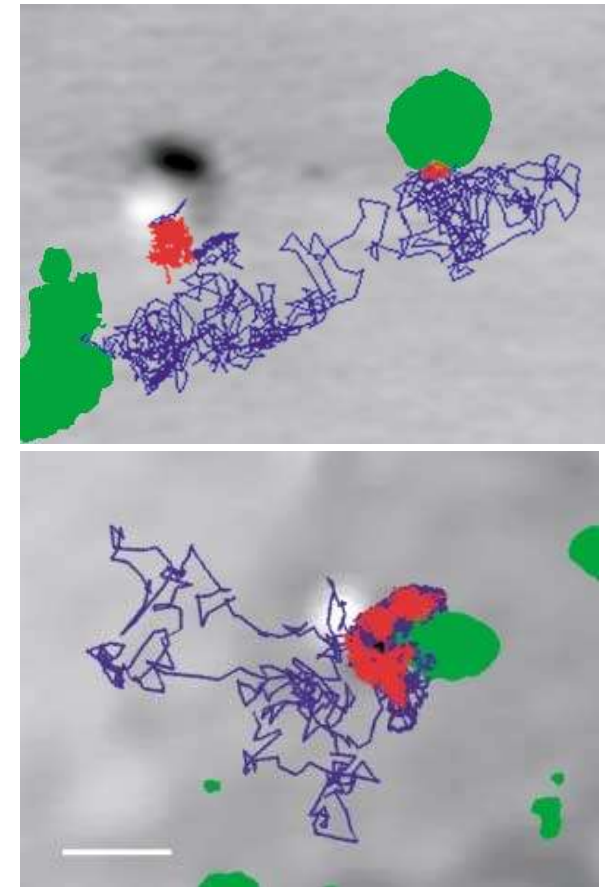
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Complex post-synaptic machinery





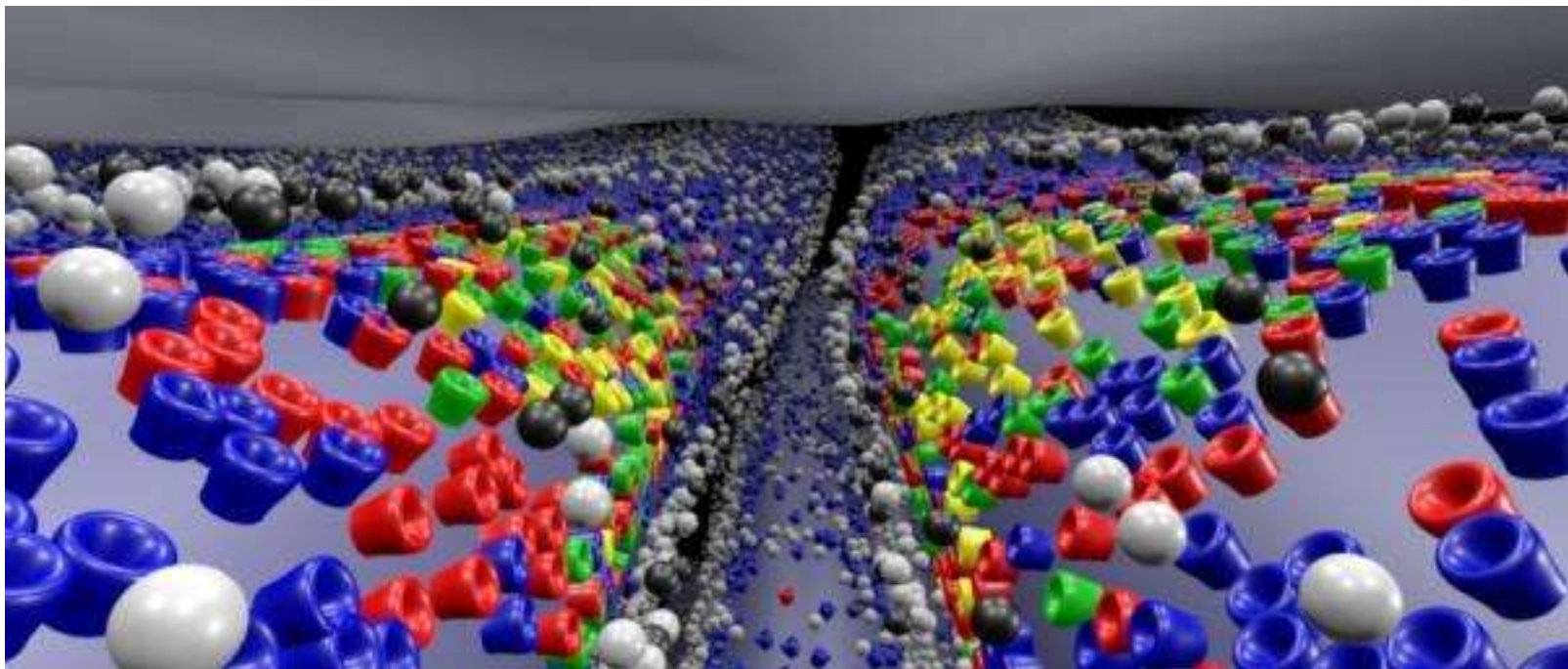
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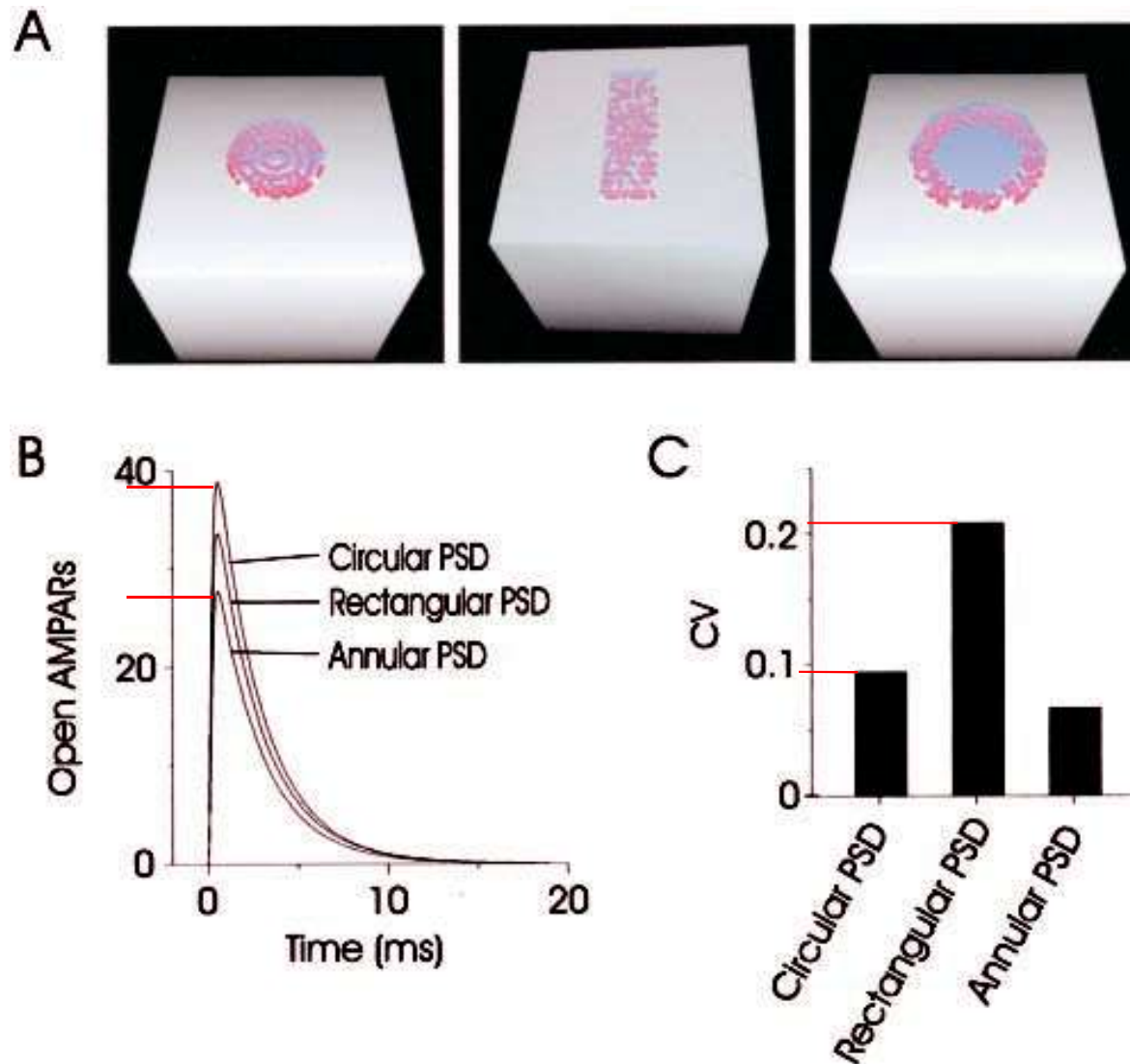
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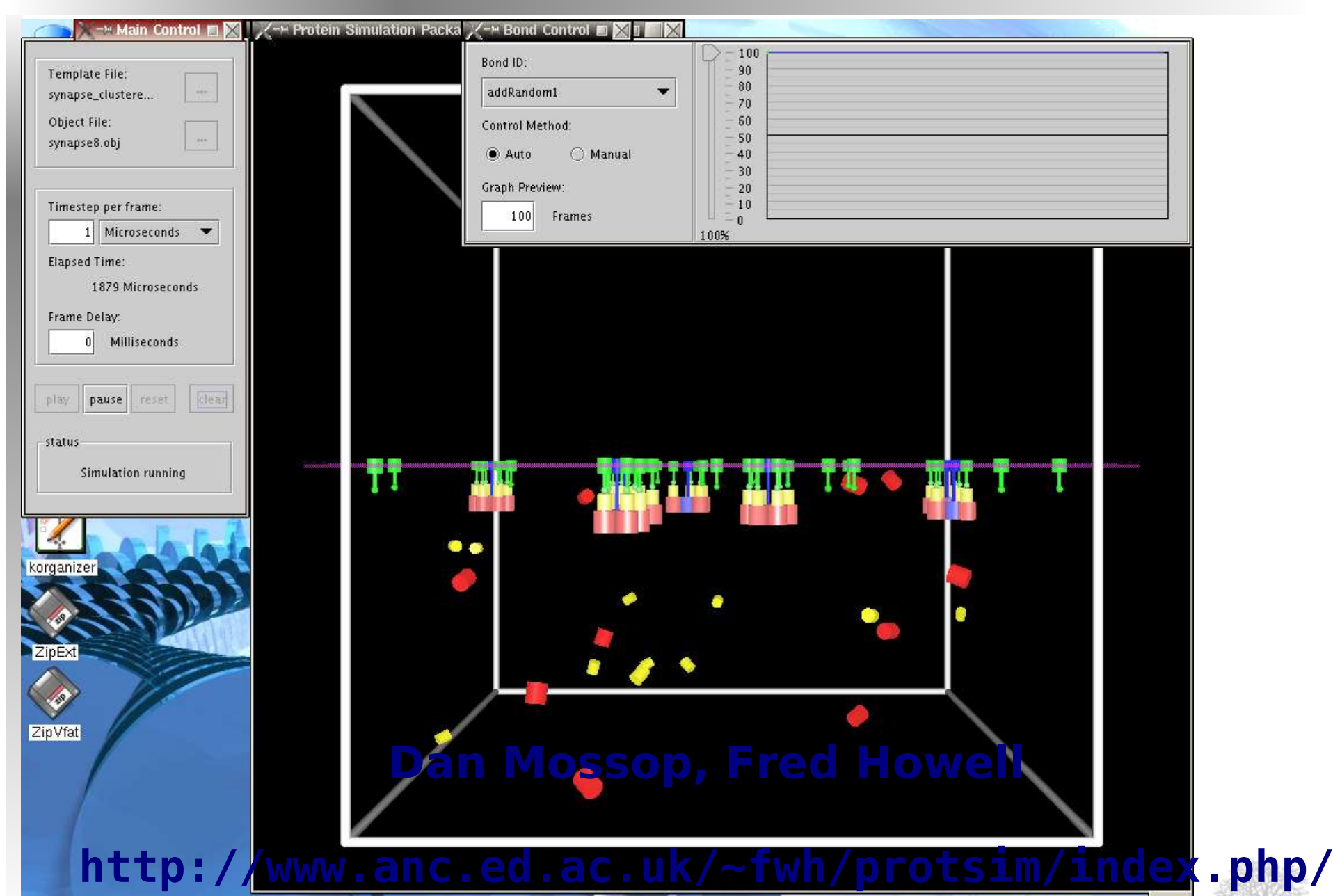
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Position of receptors affects the signal



Franks et al. (2003) *J Neurosci*, 23: 3186-3195



The screenshot displays the 'Abstracted Protein Simulator' interface, which is divided into several functional areas:

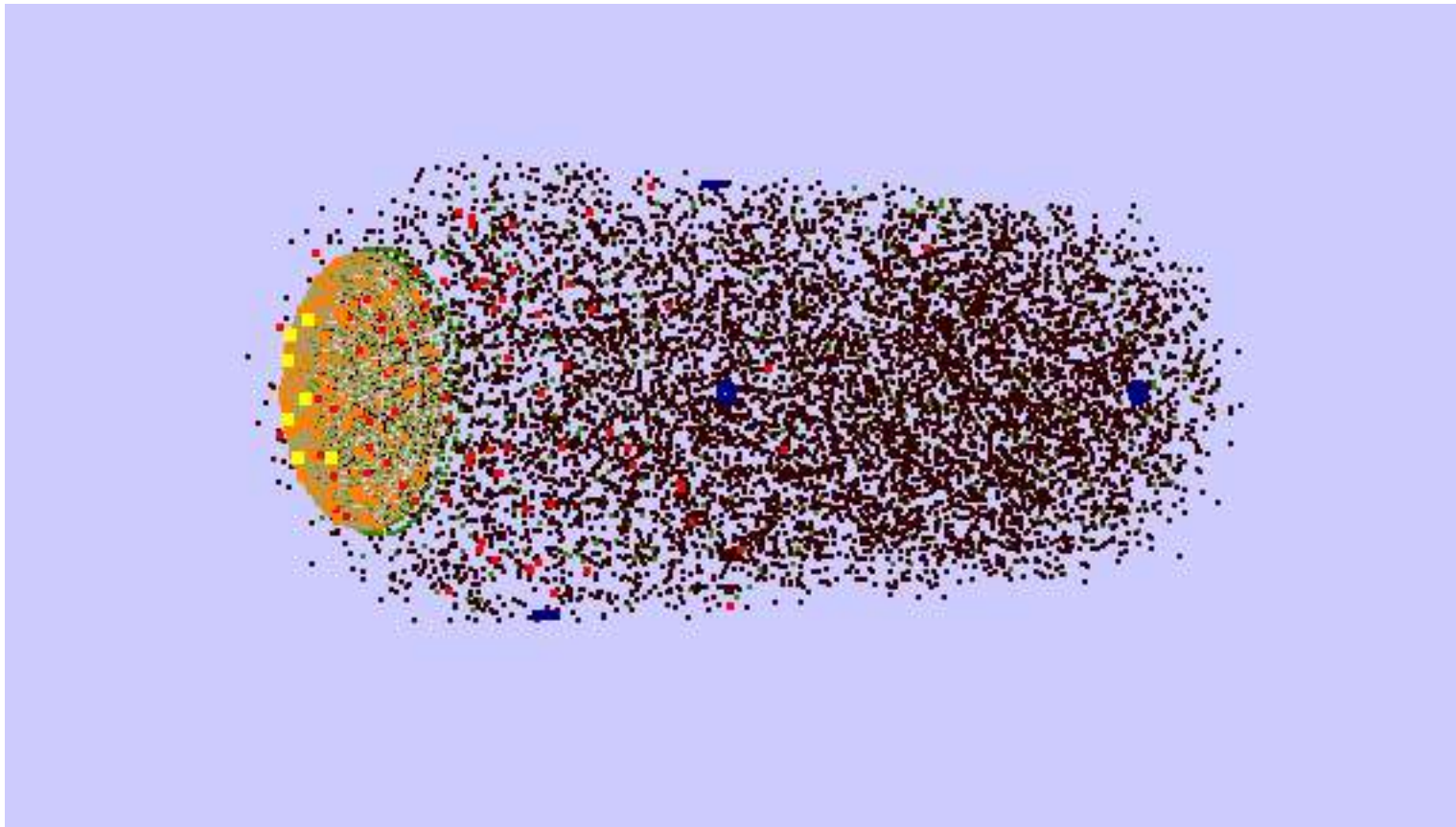
- Main Control Panel (Left):** Contains fields for 'Template File' (synapse_clustere...) and 'Object File' (synapse8.obj). It also features a 'Timestep per frame' setting (1 Microseconds), an 'Elapsed Time' display (1879 Microseconds), and a 'Frame Delay' setting (0 Milliseconds). Control buttons for 'play', 'pause', 'reset', and 'clear' are present, along with a 'status' box indicating 'Simulation running'.
- Bond Control Panel (Top Right):** Includes a 'Bond ID' dropdown menu (currently set to 'addRandom1'), a 'Control Method' section with 'Auto' (selected) and 'Manual' radio buttons, and a 'Graph Preview' section showing a value of 100 Frames.
- Simulation View (Center):** A 3D visualization of a protein structure, likely a synapse, rendered in a dark environment. The structure is composed of various colored components (green, yellow, red, blue) and is surrounded by a grid of points.
- File Manager (Bottom Left):** A small window showing a directory structure with files like 'korganizer', 'ZipExt', and 'ZipVfat'.

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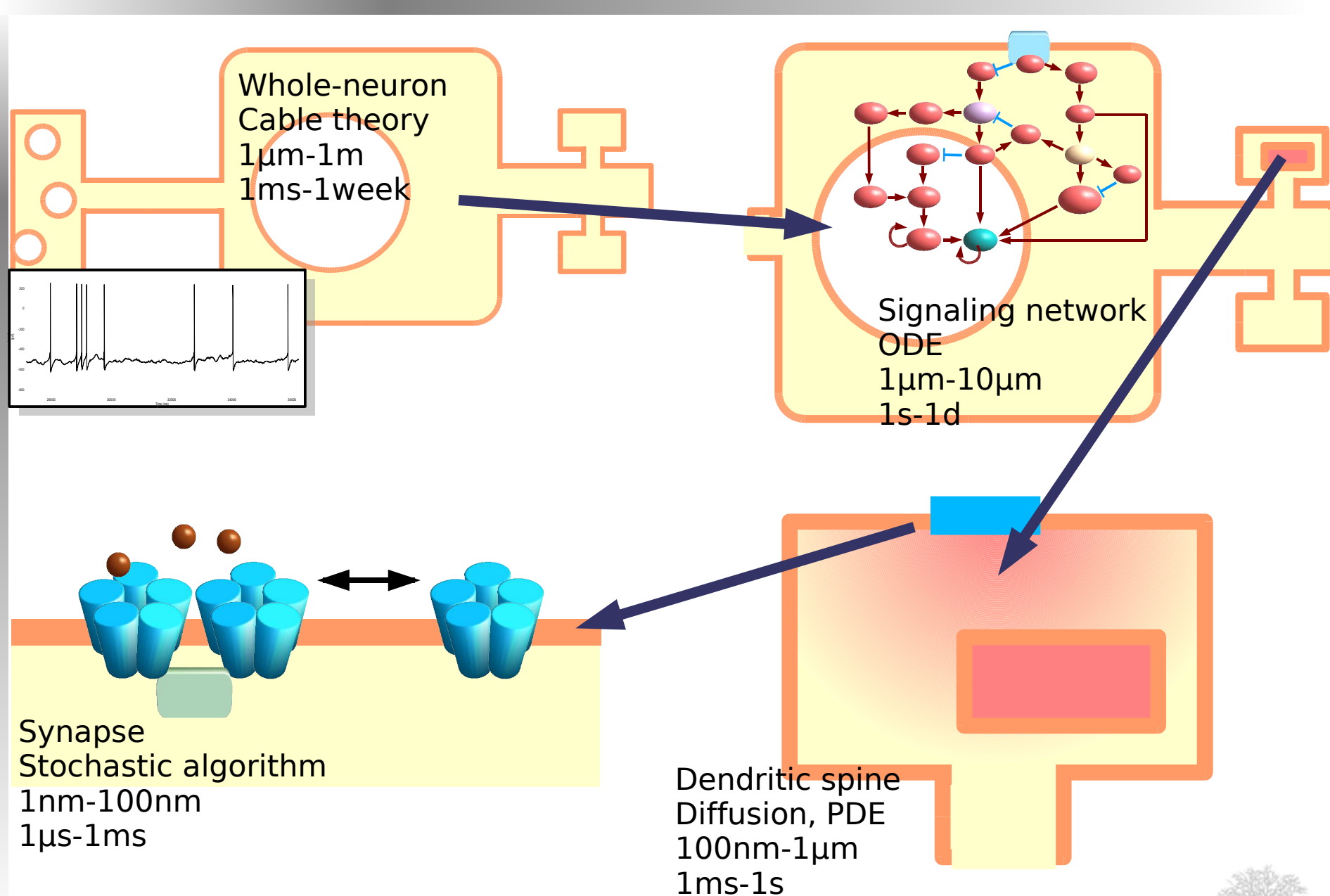
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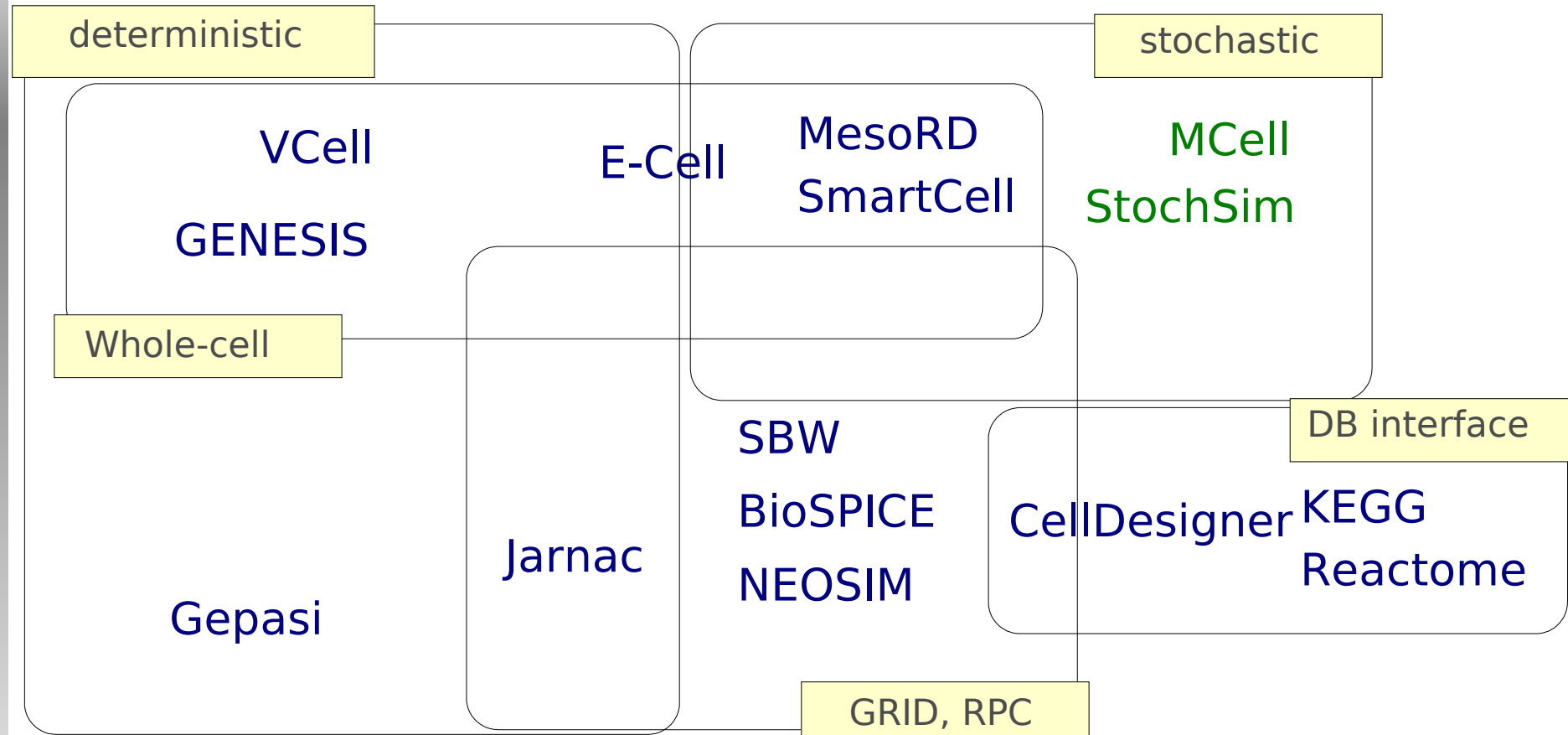
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Need for modular multi-scale hybrid program



Modelisation: the collaborative approach



All these programs speak SBML
(Systems Biology Markup Language)



SBML Systems Biology Markup Language

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A Tool-Neutral Exchange Format

The Systems Biology Markup Language (SBML) is a computer-readable format for representing **models of biochemical reaction networks**. SBML is applicable to metabolic networks, cell-signaling pathways, regulatory networks, and many others.

Internationally Supported and Widely Used

SBML has been evolving since mid-2000 through the efforts of an international group of software developers and users. Today, SBML is **supported by over 60 software systems**, including the following (where "*" indicates SBML support in development):

BALSA	Cellerator	JDesigner	Modesto	SClpath
BASIS	Cellware	JigCell	Molecularizer	Sigmoid*
BioCharon	COPASI	JSIM	MODA*	SigPath
biocyc2SBML	Cytoscape	JWS*	Monod	SigTran
BioGrid	DBsolve	Karyote*	NetBuilder	Simpathica
BioNetGen	Dizzy	KEGG2SBML	PathArt	SimWiz
Bio Sketch Pad	E-CELL	Kinsolver*	PathScout	StochSim
Dashboard	ecellJ	libSBML	PaVESy	STOCKS
BioSpreadsheet	ESS	LION Target Engine	PathwayBuilder	Trelis
BioUML	FluxAnalyzer	MathSBML	ProcessDB*	Virtual Cell
BSTLab	Gepasi	MesoRD	PySCeS*	VLX Suite
CADLIVE	INSILICO discovery	MetaboLogica	SBMLToolbox	WinSCAMP
CellDesigner	Jarnac	MMT2	SBW	

A Free and Open Language

Advances in biotechnology are leading to larger, more complex models. The systems biology community needs information standards if models are to be shared, evaluated and developed cooperatively. SBML's widespread adoption **offers many benefits**:

- Enabling the use of multiple tools without rewriting models for each tool
- Enabling models to be shared and published in a form other researchers can use even in a different software environment
- Ensuring the survival of models (and the intellectual effort put into them) beyond the lifetime of the software used to create them

Does Your Software Support SBML?

LibSBML 2.2.0 Released!

(October 6, 2004) A new version of libSBML is now available. It's full of new features, including support for Lisp and Perl.
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MathSBML 2.4.0 Released!

(September 24, 2004) A new version of MathSBML is now available. It adds new features and support for even more SBML and MathML constructs.
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SBMLToolbox 1.0 Released!

(September 21, 2004) SBMLToolbox lets you work with SBML models in MATLAB. It provides functions for reading and writing SBML, converting and manipulating models, and more.
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Forum meeting in October!

(September 10, 2004) The next **SBML Forum** meeting will be October 14-15, right after **ICSB 2004** in Heidelberg, Germany.
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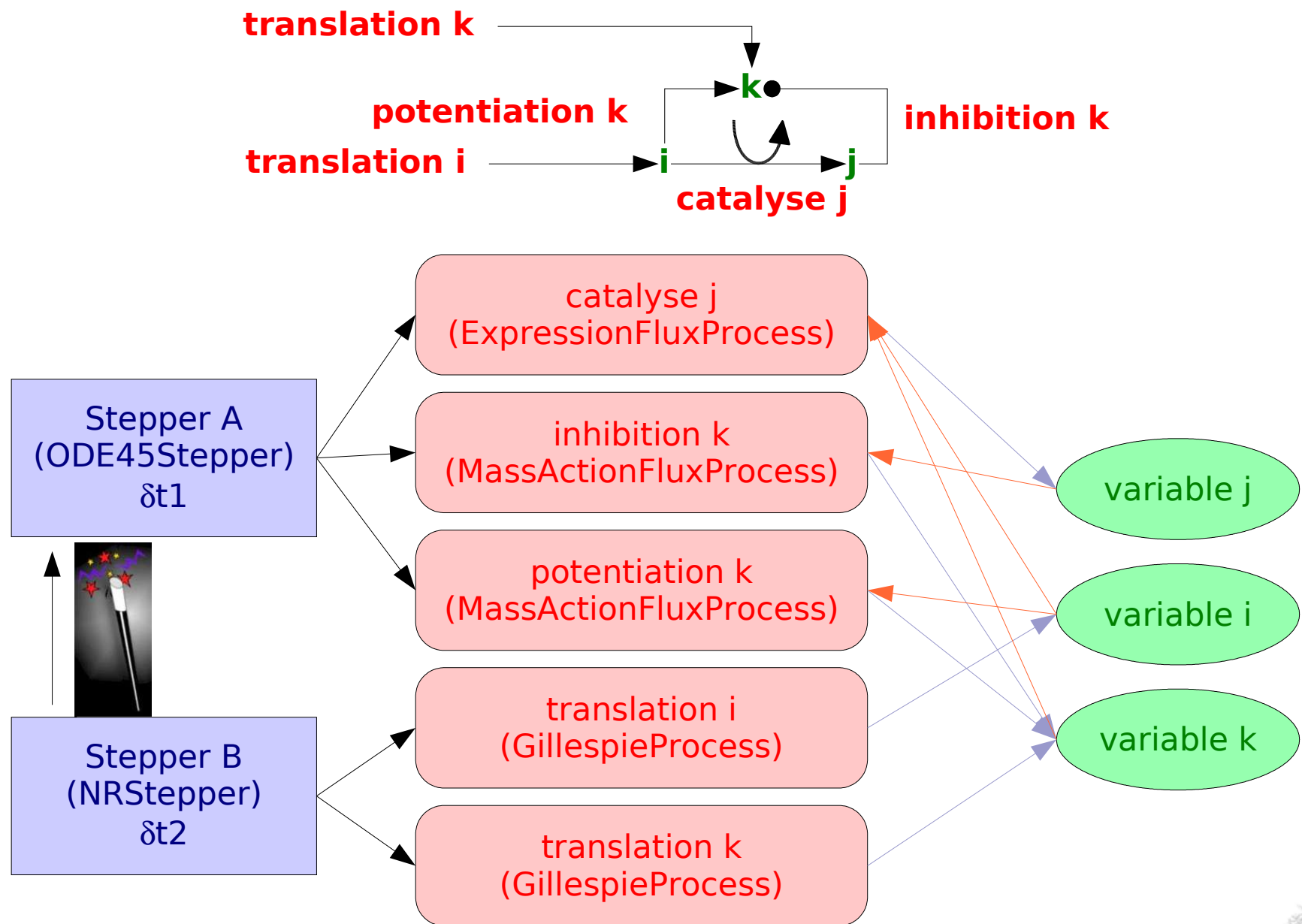
Announcement: MesoRD

(September 9, 2004) MesoRD is a stochastic simulator of reactions and diffusions in space. It implements a new simulation method and supports SBML.
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E-Cell System 3 (Kouichi Takahashi)

shared memory, hyper-threading



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Summary PropertyList ShapeProperty

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SystemPath: /

ClassName: MichaelisUniUniFluxProcess

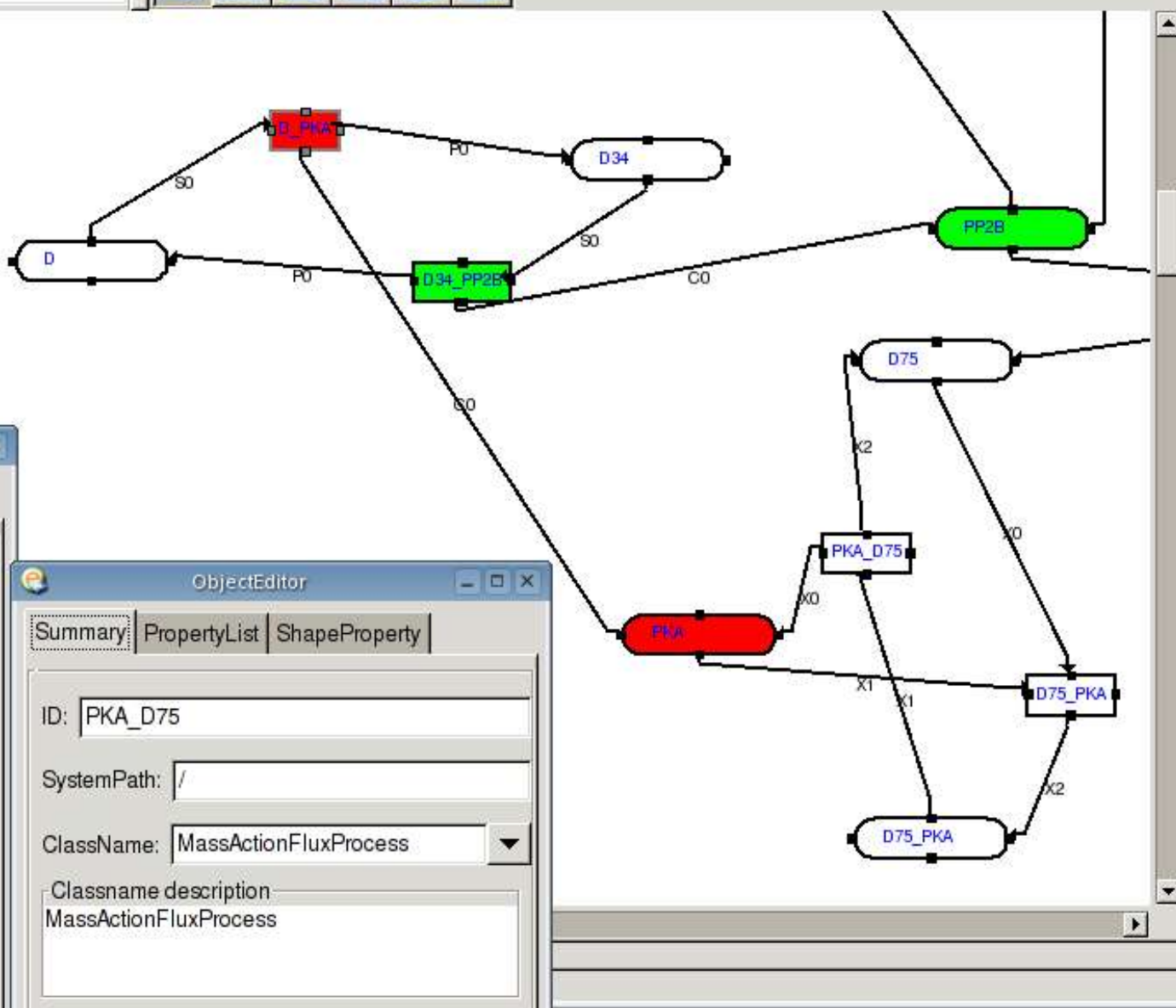
Classname description
MichaelisUniUniFluxProcess

ObjectEditor

Summary PropertyList ShapeProperty

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Name	
Activity	0.0
KmP	1.0
Priority	0
KmS	2.4e-06
IsContinuous	1
VariableReferenceList	['S0', 'Variable: D', '1']

Add Delete



- Systems Biologists need:
 - to retrieve easily existing relevant models
- Computational Systems Biologists need:
 - reuse existing models rather than reimplement them
 - construct models from building blocks
- No true database of models, only repositories
- No quality control on the models available online
- No annotation of models: reactants are A,B,C etc
- MIRIAM:
Minimum Information Requested In the Annotation of Models
- Controlled vocabularies:
 - Parameters: K_d , K_a , K_p , IC_{50} ARE DIFFERENT!
 - “Michaelis-Menten”, “Hopf bifurcation” etc.
- Biomodels, a database of “Systems Biology Models”

- Collaboration between SBML teams of Caltech and University of Herfordshire (curation) and EBI (DB)
- Each model served will be published or in the press (submitted will be processed but kept private)
- To be accepted in biomodels, a model will have to be semantically sound: simulation should correspond to results described in the referenced paper
- Models will be annotated: GO, NCBI Taxonomy, UniProt, ChEBI, Reactome etc.
=> search for all models related to “synaptic plasticity”, or “CALM_HUMAN”
- Possibility of online simulation

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