Dynamics and Evolution of

Single Cell Cognition

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	Connectivity	Density	Dynamics	Differentiation
Nervous system	Physical & Chemical	High	Variable time Constants	By Connection
Cell	Chemical	Sparse	Generally Rapid	By sequence

Genomic and Cellular

Cognition

- Distributed Coding: Reading frame compression (empirical e.g.)
- Elementary Logic: Switches
 & Base Systems (theory e.g.)
- Memory: Enzymatic feedback circuits (theory e.g.)

- Feature detection: Signal transduction and frequency filtering(theory e.g.)
- Robustness: Population level redundancy(theory e.g.)

Coding & Compression

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Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA Vol. 93, pp. 9687–9692, September 1996 Genetics

Sexual orientation in *Drosophila* is altered by the satori mutation in the sex-determination gene fruitless that encodes a zinc finger protein with a BTB domain

(homosexual courtship/muscle of Lawrence/transformer/mating behavior)

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The Genetic Code

			Seco	nd letter			
U		U	С	А	G		
First letter	U	UUU Phe UUC Leu UUA Leu	UCU UCC UCA UCG	UAU UAC Tyr UAA Stop UAG Stop	UGU UGC UGA Stop UGG Trp	U C A G	
	С	CUU CUC CUA CUG	CCU CCC CCA CCG	CAU CAC CAA CAA CAG Gln	CGU CGC CGA CGG	U C A G	Thiro
	A	AUU AUC AUA AUG Met	ACU ACC ACA ACG	AAU AAC AAA AAA AAG	AGU AGC AGA AGA AGG	U C A G	letter
	G	GUU GUC GUA GUG	GCU GCC GCA GCG	GAU GAC GAA GAA GAG Glu	GGU GGC GGA GGG	U C A G	

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Information

in Population of genomes $(C = L -)] H_i$

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 $s < \frac{\mu L}{N}$



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organismal regularity nvironmental regularity $S \geq \frac{\mu L}{N}$ Environmental



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FO(123,123) F-2(123,321) F2(123,231)

ONTONEWHEEL +2 spaces ONTO NEW HEEL ON TONE WHEEL



Functional Sequence Space



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Logic & Stochastic Switches

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Phosphorylation:

Modulation of Protein Function













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Kinase Lattice Logic



Protein Memory



hypersensitivity

signal

switch



Communication

Persistent Protein Kinase Activation in the Maintenance Phase of Long-term Potentiation*

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Long-term potentiation (LTP) of synaptic transmission in the hippocampus is a robust form of synaptic plasticity that may contribute to mammalian memory formation. A variety of pharmacological evidence suggests that persistent kinase activation contributes to the maintenance of LTP. To determine whether persistent activation of protein kinases was associated with the maintenance phase of LTP, protein kinase activity was measured in control and LTP samples using exogenous protein kinase substrates in an in vitro assay of homogenates of the CA1 region of rat hippocampal slices. After LTP, protein kinase activity was persistently increased, and the induction of this effect was blocked by the N-methyl-D-aspartate receptor antagonist DL-2-amino-5-phosphonovaleric acid. The increased protein kinase activity was found to be significantly attenuated by PKC(19-36), a selective peptide inhibitor of protein kinase C. Thus, LTP is associated with an N-methyl-D-aspartate receptor-mediated generation of a persistently activated form of protein kinase C. These data lend strong support to the model that persistent protein kinase activation contributes to the maintenance of LTP.

Presynaptic Protein Kinase Activity Supports Long-Term Potentiation at Synapses Between Individual Hippocampal Neurons

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Simultaneous microelectrode recording from two individual synaptically connected neurons enables the direct analysis of synaptic transmission and plasticity at a minimal synaptic connection. We have recorded from pairs of CA3 pyramidal neurons in organotypic hippocampal slices to examine the properties of long-term potentiation (LTP) at such minimal connections. LTP in minimal connections was found to be identical to the NMDA-dependent LTP expressed by CA3–CA1 synapses, demonstrating this system provides a good model for the study of the mechanisms of LTP expression. The LTP at minimal synaptic connections does not behave as a simple increase in transmitter release probability, because the amplitude of unitary EPSCs can increase several-fold, unlike what is observed when release probability is increased by raising extracellular calcium. Taking advantage of the relatively short

axon connecting neighboring CA3 neurons, we found it feasible to introduce pharmacological agents to the interior of presynaptic terminals by injection into the presynaptic soma and have used this technique to investigate presynaptic effects on basal transmission and LTP. Presynaptic injection of nicotinamide reduced basal transmission, but LTP in these pairs was essentially normal. In contrast, presynaptic injection of H-7 significantly depressed LTP but not basal transmission, indicating a specific role of presynaptic protein kinases in LTP. These results demonstrate that pharmacological agents can be directly introduced into the presynaptic cell and that a purely presynaptic perturbation can alter this plasticity.

Key words: long-term potentiation; presynaptic; protein kinase; hippocampus; electrophysiology; synaptic transmission

Feature Detection

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Reproductive Cycles



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High Frequency: a

Med Frequency: LHB

Low Frequency: FSHB

$$\dot{b} = h'(a(t)) - pb \equiv f'(t) - pb, \qquad (9)$$

$$\dot{c} = \begin{cases} kb(t-\sigma) - \delta'c, & a = 0, \\ -\delta'c, & a = a_0. \end{cases}$$
(10)

The activation of B only ensues in the presence of A, whereas the production of C only ensues in the presence of activated B. The choice of a piecewise function in our analysis reflects the total inhibition of the expression of C during the activation of A. Integrating eqn (9), analogously to the integration of eqn (1) to derive eqns (3) and (4), yields

$$b(n\tau) = \frac{e^{-pt}}{1 - e^{-pt}} \int_0^\tau f(t) e^{pt} dt \text{ for } n \text{ large, (11)}$$

$$b(n\tau + t_1) = e^{-pt_1} \left[b(n\tau) + \int_0^{t_1} f(t) e^{pt} dt \right]$$
(12)

for $t_1 \in [0, \tau]$.





Robustness Issues:

Dichotomous approaches for Cells

and Brains

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Survival rate

 $w_i = \frac{(1-s)^i}{\sum_{j=0}^{L} (1-s)^j}$

Competitiveness

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = \sum_{i=0}^{L} z_i w_i Q_{ki}$$

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- Long lived cells <u>force</u> the emergence of cell-population memory etc.
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