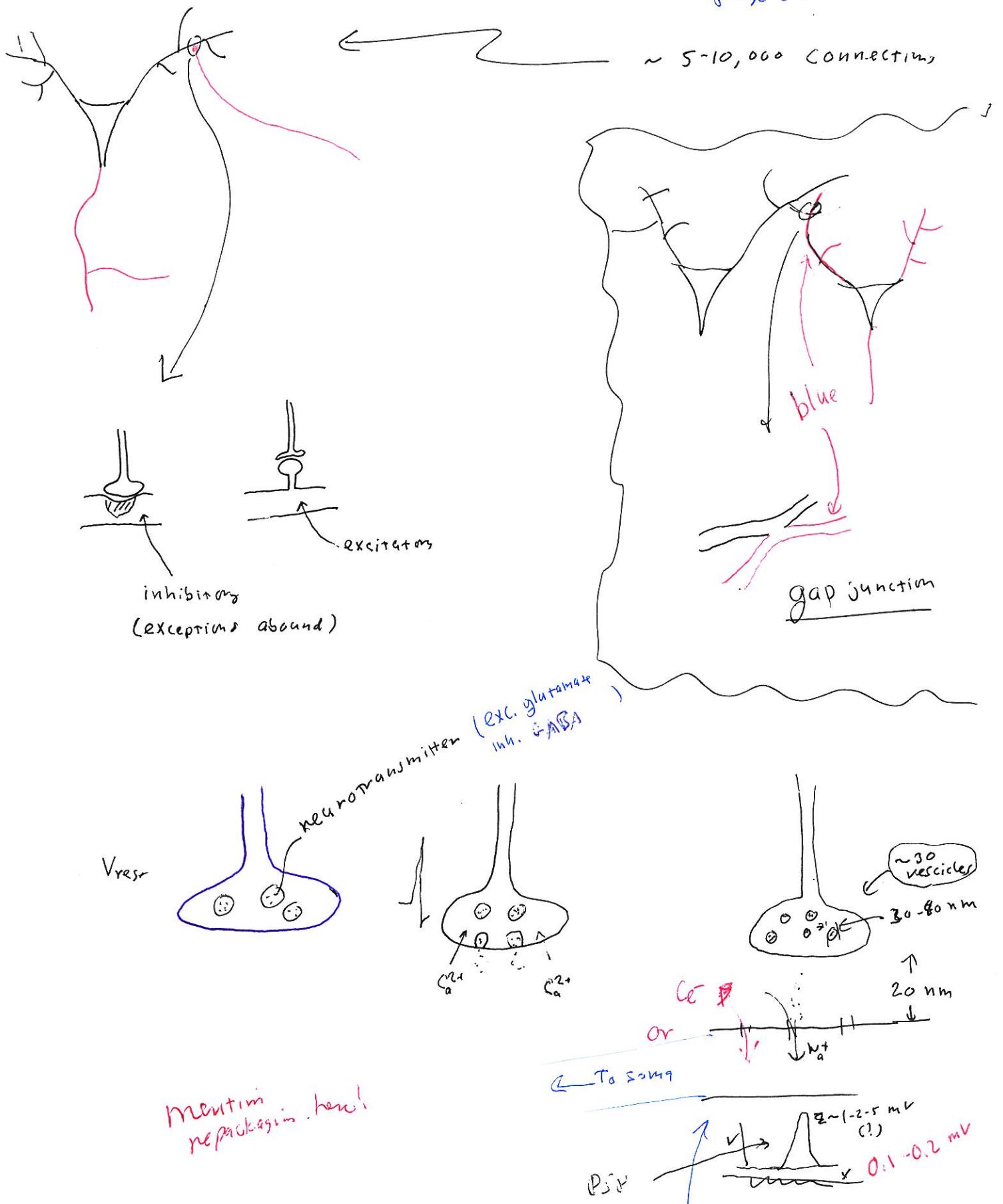


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Synapses



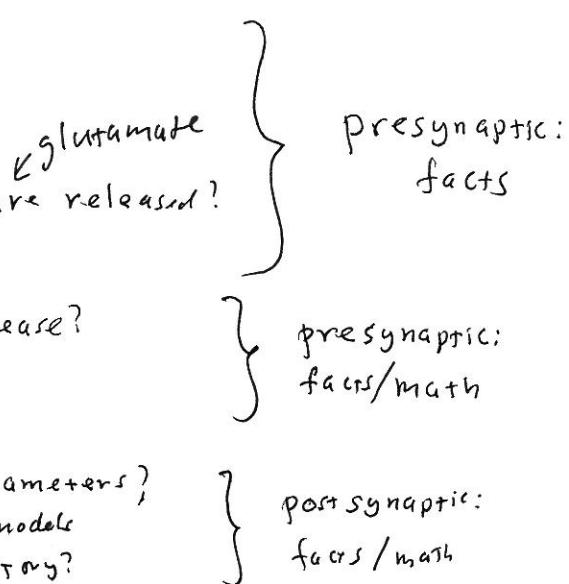
Mentioning repackaging here!

Several mV can even cause spikes (& co-operative effects). 0.1-0.2 mV at soma

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Questions

- 1a) How many packets released / spike?
- 1b) How are they repackaged?
- 1c) What neurotransmitters are released?
→ What channels are opened?
- 2a) What is the time course of release?
- 2b) How does it depend on history
~~release protocol~~
~~F-OK~~
- 3a) How does PSP size depend on parameters?
~~How do we pur synaptic release into models~~
- 3b) How " " " " " history?



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2006 What do we want to know? - write down full set of eqns.

1) what happens

1) what happens when AP arrives at presynaptic site
a) quantum model - ($\text{AMP}, \text{GABA}, \text{NMDA}$) Pg. 10

synaptic strength

2) what determines ?

a) # packets
b) prob of release } binomial pg. 3, 4
c) postsynaptic channel closing

3) history dependent? pg. 10

Short term: PSP +

Long term: PSP

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1a) Quantal release

- n vesicles
- each released independently w/ probability p
- amount released = q_0

$$p(k) = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

Average release = $q_0 \langle k \rangle$

Standard deviation = $q_0 [\langle k^2 \rangle - \langle k \rangle^2]$

↑ factors
 ↓ max n

$$\begin{aligned} \langle k^2 \rangle &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} k^2 p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} k^2 p^k q^{n-k} \Big|_{q=1-p} \end{aligned}$$

$$p \frac{d}{dp} p^k = k p^{k-1}$$

$$p \frac{d}{dp} \left[p \frac{d}{dp} \right] p^k = k^2 p^{k-1}$$

$$k^2 = \left(p \frac{d}{dp} \right)^2 p^k$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle k^2 \rangle = \left(p \frac{d}{dp} \right)^2 \underbrace{\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} p^k q^{n-k}}_{(p+q)^n} \Big|_{q=1-p}$$

$$\langle k^2 \rangle = \left(p \frac{d}{dp} \right)^2 (p+q)^n \Big|_{p+q=1}$$

$$\langle k \rangle = np$$

$$\langle k^2 \rangle = n(n-1)p^2 + np$$

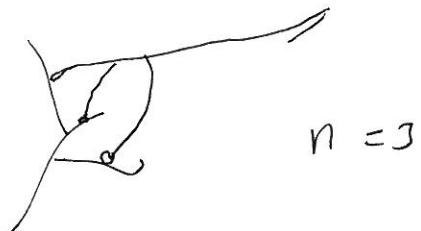
$$\Rightarrow \langle k^2 \rangle - \langle k \rangle^2 = np(1-p)$$

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$$NMJ = KA +$$

$$n = 100 - 1000$$

central synapses: $n = 1$ per synapse (hypothesis)



$$P: 0.1 - 0.9$$

total mystery!!!

$$\langle \text{release} \rangle = q_0 np$$

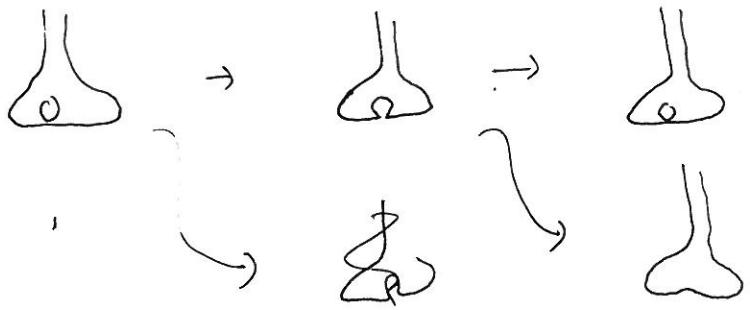
$$\text{Var} [] = q_0^2 np(1-p)$$

$$\left[\frac{\text{Std}}{\text{mean}} \right]^2 = \frac{(np)}{\sqrt{np(1-p)}} = \sqrt{\frac{np}{1-p}}$$

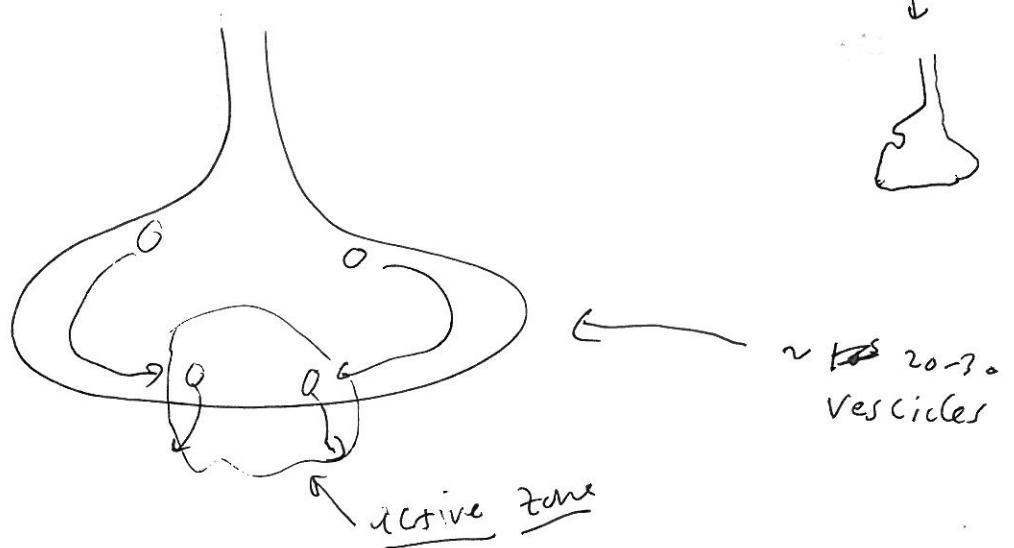
$\hookrightarrow \sqrt{\frac{np(1-p)}{np}} = \sqrt{\frac{1-p}{p}} = \text{big!!!}$

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1b) - Kiss + run



- Standard model



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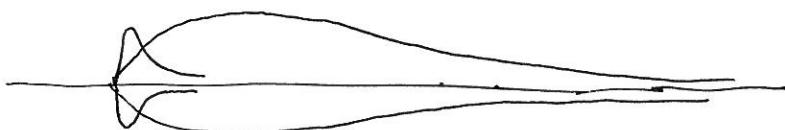
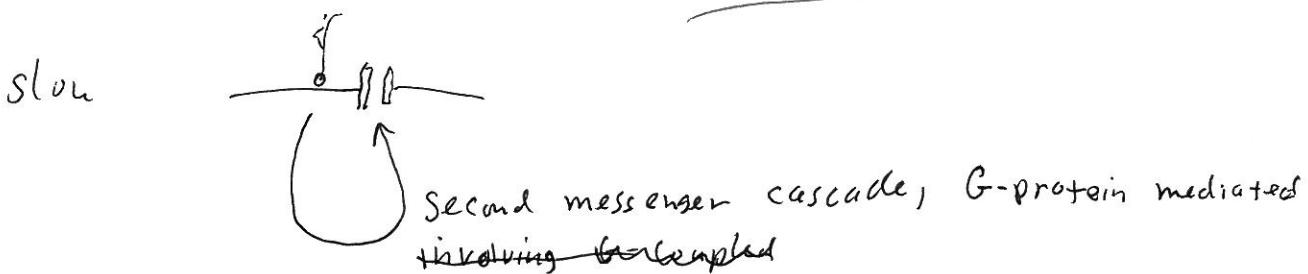
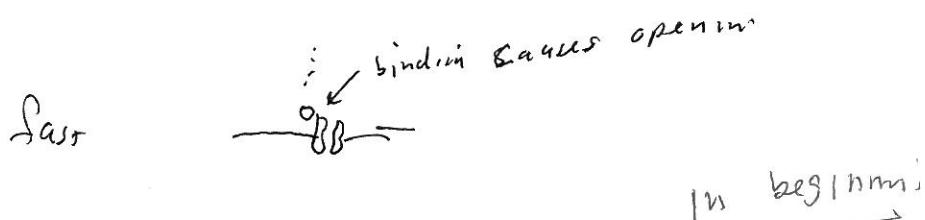
Later

IC) Excitatory: AMPA  
NMDA → mix of  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{K}^+$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{++}$   
 $E \sim 0 \text{ mV}$

Inhibitory:  $\text{GABA}_A$        $\text{GABA}_B$        $\text{Cl}^-$        $E \sim -70 \text{ mV}$   
 $-100 \text{ mV}$

~~AMPA~~ +  $\text{GABA}_A$ : fast ionotropic (fast) 2-10 ms

NMDA +  $\text{GABA}_B$ : metabotropic (slow) 50-200 ms  
the only metabotropic one, according to Koch



Start w/ new  
fig - tell them about  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  & active zones, mention  
⑥ monophasic vs  
metabotropic  
2a) Working hypothesis: only Prelease Changes as a function  
of history.

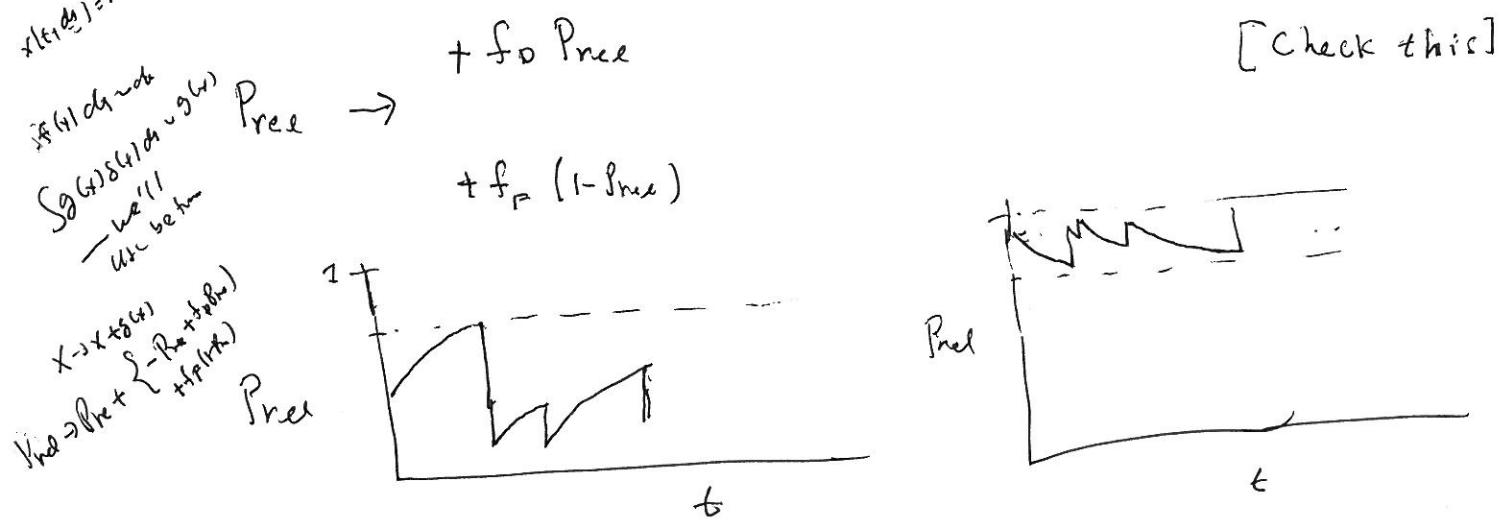
- Facilitation (A.K.A. augmentation or potentiation)  
probably result from a buildup of  $\text{Ca}^{++}$   
remember,  $\text{Ca}^{++}$   
triggers release
- Depression probably results from a depletion of  
resources (meaning everybody in the readily releasable pool is gone)
- We'll look at the two separately

$$\tau \frac{d\text{Pre}}{dt} = P_0 - \text{Pre} \quad \text{between spikes:}$$

~~$\tau(t-f_0)$~~   ~~$P_{\text{Pre}}$~~   ~~$\sum_i \delta(t-t_i)$~~   
 ~~$-T(t-f_0)P_{\text{Pre}}$~~   ~~$\sum_i \delta(t-t_i)$~~   
 $\rightarrow + \left[ \sum_i \delta(t-t_i) \right] \begin{cases} -\tau(t-f_0) \text{Pre} \\ + \tau f_p (1-\text{Pre}) \end{cases}$

$\text{do this!} \rightarrow P_{\text{Pre}}(t) = P_0 + [P_{\text{Pre}}(0) - P_0] e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \quad [\text{check this!}]$

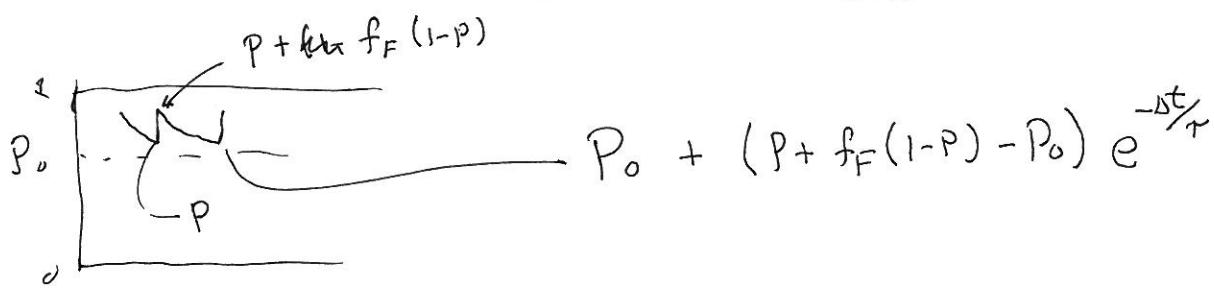
$y = f(t) + g(t) \delta(t) + h(t) \delta(t)$   
 $x(t) \delta(t) = x(t-f_0) + f_0 x(t)$   
 spikes:  $f_p$



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2b) Implications

~~skip exercise~~; facilitate  
- HWIC



$$P(t_{n+1}) = P_0 + (P(t_n)(1-f_F) + f_F \cdot P_0) e^{-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle P(t_{n+1}) \rangle &= P_0 + (f_F \cdot P_0) \langle e^{-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau}} \rangle + (1-f_F) \langle P(t_n) e^{-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau}} \rangle \\ \bar{P} &= P_0 + (f_F \cdot P_0) \langle e^{-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau}} \rangle + (1-f_F) \langle P(t_n) \rangle \langle e^{-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau}} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

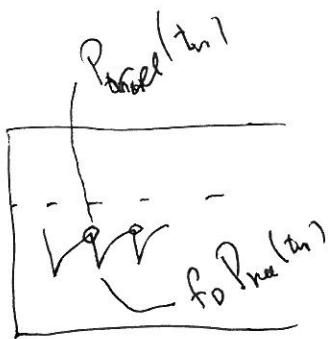
$\underbrace{\qquad}_{\text{approx!}}$

Poisson at rate  $r$ :

$$p(\Delta t) = r e^{-r \Delta t}$$

$$\langle e^{-\frac{\Delta t}{\tau}} \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} d(\Delta t) r e^{-\Delta t (r + \frac{1}{\tau})}$$

$$= \frac{r}{r + \frac{1}{\tau}} = \frac{\tau}{1 + r\tau}$$



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$$P_{\text{free}}(t_{n+1}) = P_0 + [P_{\text{free}}(t_n) - P_0] e^{-\frac{\Delta t}{T}}$$

depression:

$$P(t_{n+1}) = P_0 + (f_D P(t_n) - P_0) e^{-\frac{\Delta t}{T}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle P \rangle \approx \frac{P_0}{1 + (r - f_D)rT}$$

← do averaging  
here because  
we skiped  
facilitation

Average drive to the cell:

$$r \langle P \rangle \approx \frac{P_0 r}{1 + (r - f_D)rT} \rightarrow \frac{P_0}{T(r - f_D)} \quad \text{or } r \rightarrow \infty$$

- independent of  $r$ !!
- Synaptic depression democratizes ~~synapses~~  
presynaptic spikes
- why???
- change detector!!!



Mention minis!!

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3a) 4 main kinds of channels:

AMPA }  
 NMDA } glutamate receptors / excitism       $E \sim 0$  mV

GABA<sub>A</sub> }  
 GABA<sub>B</sub> } GABA receptors / inhibition,  $E =$       -70 mV  
-100 mV

model :

$$T_m \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} = \lambda^2 \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} - (I_m) + \text{trn ie}$$

$$g(V - E)$$

this we know

~~$\bar{g}x$~~   
~~(Transmitter)~~

~~$\dot{x} = \alpha(1-x) - \beta x$~~

$$\dot{x} = x - \frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta}$$

AMPA  
GABA<sub>A</sub>

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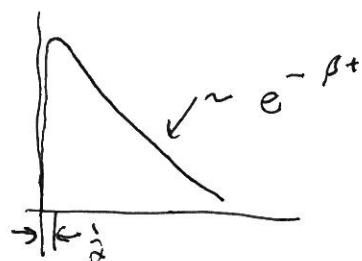
AMPA

$$GABA_A : I_m = \bar{g}x(V - \Sigma)$$

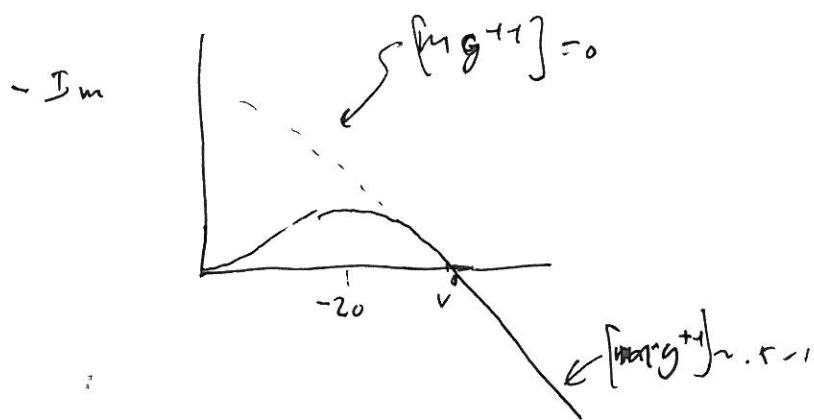
GABA<sub>B</sub>

$$\dot{x} = \alpha(\text{transmitter})(1-x) - \beta x$$

constant



$$NMDA: I_m = \frac{\bar{g} x (V - \Sigma)}{\left(1 + \frac{[Mg^{++}]}{7.57 \text{ mM}} \exp(-V/16.1 \text{ mV})\right)}$$



NMDA only opens when postsynaptic cell is ~~active~~  
depolarized: coincidence detector

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~~Ampa~~

|                   | T <sub>rise</sub> (1/ $\tau$ ) | T <sub>decay</sub> (1/ $\tau$ ) |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| AMPA              | ~0                             | 5                               |
| NMDA              | 1-5                            | ~150                            |
| GABA <sub>A</sub> | 0.3                            | 5                               |
| GABA <sub>B</sub> | ~10                            | ~200                            |

~~III~~

full model - single compartment

$$\nabla C_m \frac{dV_i}{dt} = -\bar{g}_L(V_i - \Sigma_L) - \bar{g}_{Na} m^3 h (V_i - \Sigma_{Na}) - \bar{g}_K h^4 (V_i - \Sigma_K) - \sum_j \bar{g}_{ij} x_{ij} (V_i - \Sigma_x)$$

$$\dot{x}_{ij} = \alpha_x (1 - x_{ij}) \sum_k \delta(t - t_j^k) - \beta x_{ij}$$

↑ instantaneous rise

(can replace w/ a square pulse) □

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### 3b) Hebb's rule

LTP  
Long-term potentiation

- Memory stored in synaptic strength
- Learning changes strength (weight)

Give example



randomly connected network:  
- output doesn't tell you much about input after learning:

- output says "yes, that's a black dog in my visual field"

long argument over which one changes  
- final answer: both.

- What is synaptic strength?

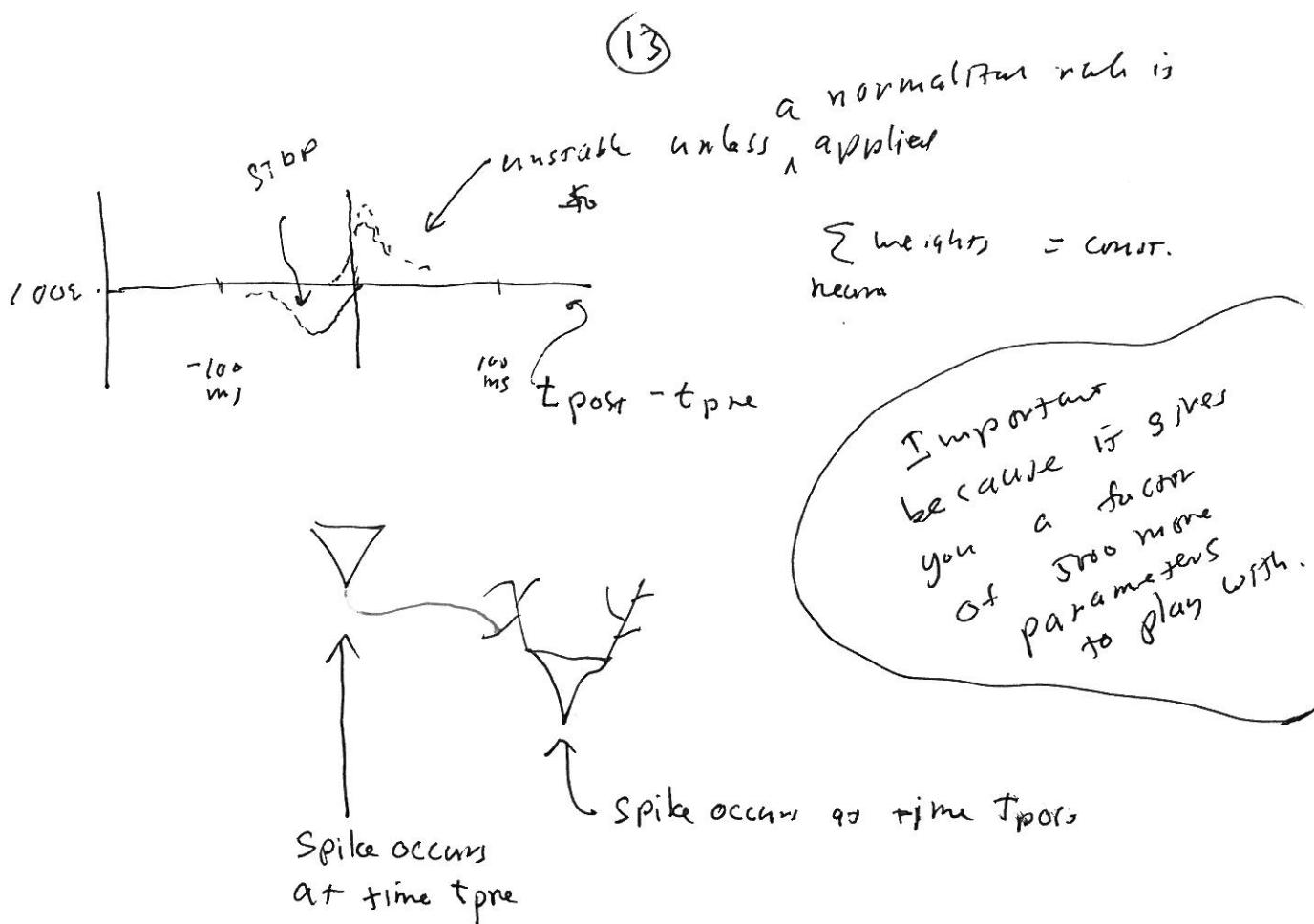
- P can increase
- n can increase
- g probably not
- $\delta$  postsynaptic

- what causes  
how does it change?

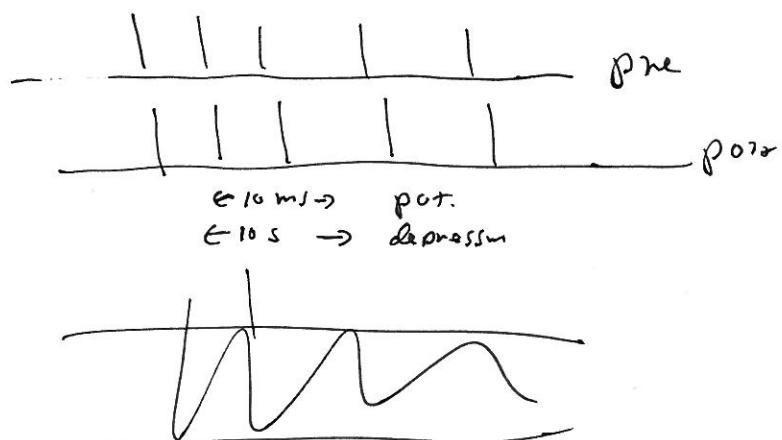
history dependent

• ↗  
both pre-synaptic activation + post-synaptic activation.

- how does  
near-Simultaneous pre + post-synaptic spikes produce either a decrease or increase in strength.



- Situation is more complicated:

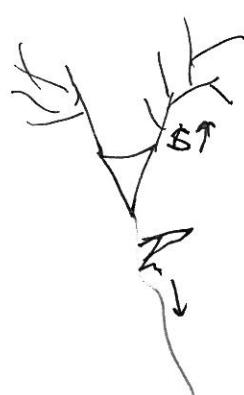
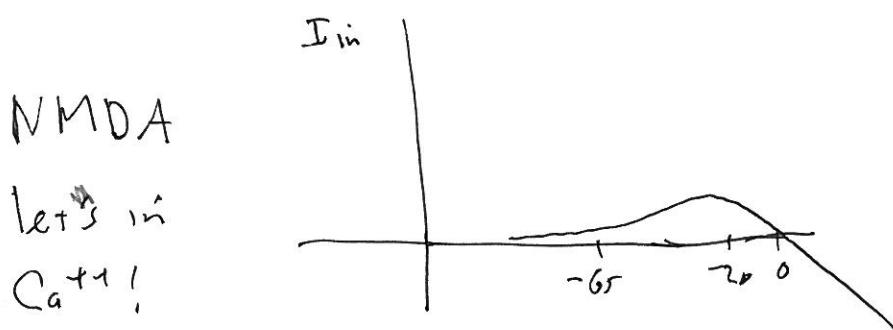
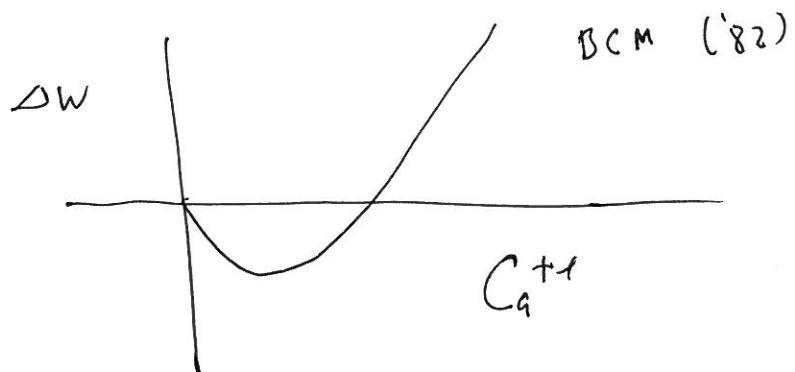


- nobody really know how all of this works in network
- Peter Dayan will provide more info.

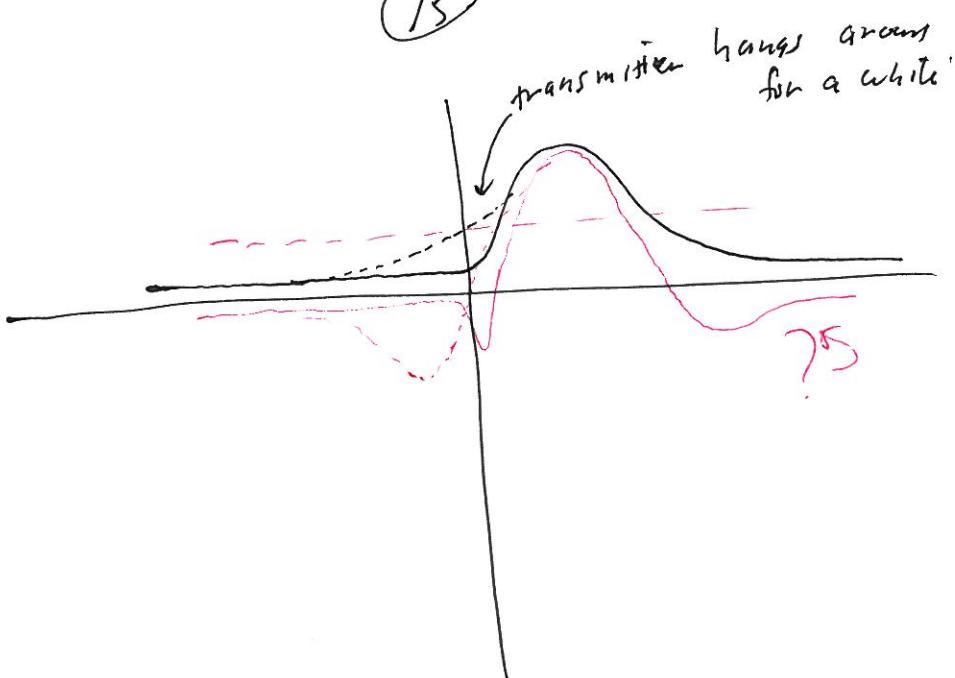
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## Mechanism

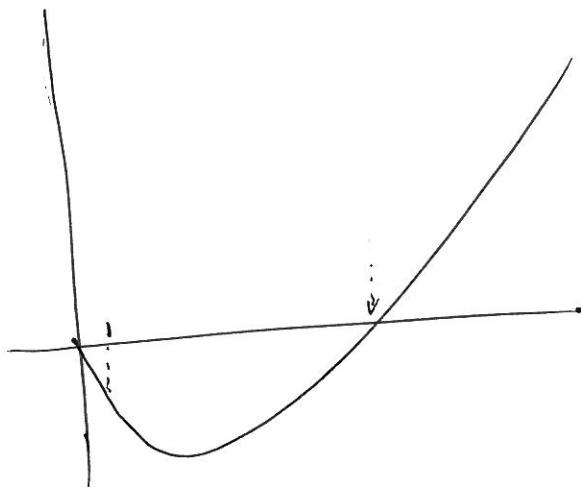
higher  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  in pre



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Unsolved problem!



Be sure to do ML!!