

LFPy and hybrid scheme for Local Field Potentials

CNS 2015 Tutorial T2:
Modeling and analysis of extracellular potentials

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Topics

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- **LFPy**:
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 - Examples
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 - Introduction
 - Components
 - Application with 2-population network
 - Application with cortical column model
- Summary & Outlook

Why model extracellular potentials?

- **Improve understanding of experimental measurements:**
 - Extracellular action-potential shapes:
 - Gold et al. *J Neurophysiol* (2006)
 - Pettersen&Einevoll. *Biophys J* (2008)
 - Hagen et al. *J Neurosci Methods* (2015)
 - Ness et al. *Neuroinform* (2015)
 - Spiking component of LFP:
 - Schomburg et al. *J. Neurosci* (2012)
 - Spectral content of LFP:
 - Lindén et al. *J Comput Neurosci* (2010)
 - Tomsett et al. *Brain Struct Funct* (2014)
 - Reach of LFP:
 - Lindén et al. *Neuron* (2011)
 - Łęski et al. *PLOS Comput Biol* (2013)
 - Role of active membranes:
 - Reimann et al. *Neuron* (2013)

Why model extracellular potentials?

- **Methods validation:**

- Spike sorting:
 - Franke et al. *Proc IEEE Eng Med Biol Soc* (2010)
 - Einevoll et al. *Curr Op Neurobiol* (2012),
 - Thorbergsson et al. *J Neurosci Methods* (2013)
 - Hagen et al. *J Neurosci Methods* (2015)
- Current-source density (CSD) reconstruction:
 - Pettersen et al. *J Comput Neurosci* (2008)
 - Łęski et al. *Neuroinform* (2011)
 - Głąbska et al. *PLOS One* (2014)
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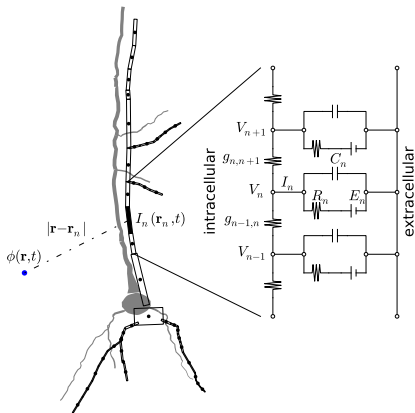
Biophysical background:

- Current balance intracellular node point, compartment n :

$$I_n = C_n \frac{dV_n}{dt} + \sum_j I_n^j =$$

$$g_{n,n+1}(V_{n+1} - V_n) - g_{n-1,n}(V_n - V_{n-1})$$

- Simulated using **NEURON** (neuron.yale.edu) (Hines et al. (2009))
- Extracellular potentials are computed from I_n



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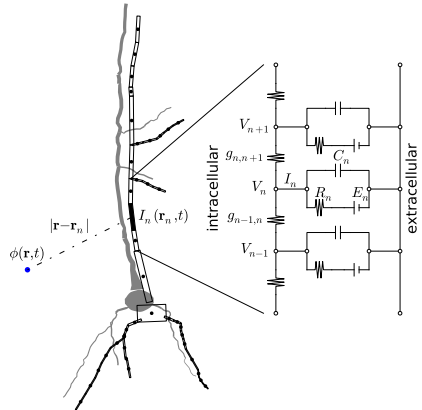
- Poisson's equation in electrostatics

$$\nabla \cdot (\sigma \nabla \phi) = -\frac{\rho}{\sigma}$$

$\phi(\mathbf{r}, t)$ - electric potential

$\rho(\mathbf{r}, t)$ - current source density

$\sigma(\mathbf{r})$ - conductivity

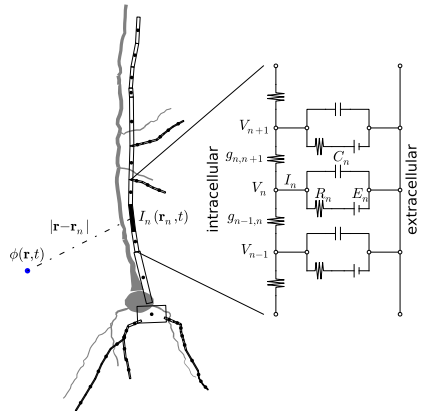


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Forward modeling of extracellular potentials

Biophysical background:

- Assumptions:
 - Quasi-static approximation of Maxwell's equations
 - Extracellular medium:
 - linear
 - isotropic
 - homogeneous
 - ohmic
 (scalar, real σ)
 - Linear superposition
- $\phi(r \rightarrow \infty) = 0$



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Biophysical background:

- Quasi-static approximation of Maxwell's equations:

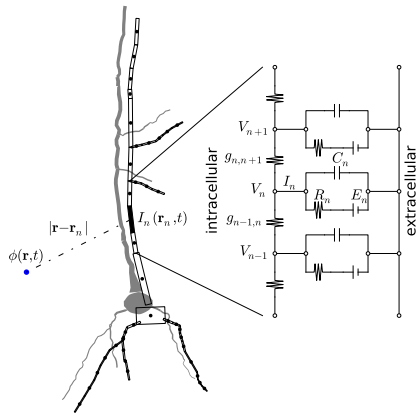
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} \approx 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu(\mathbf{J} + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t}) \approx \mu \mathbf{J}$$

- \mathbf{E} - electric field; q - charge density;
 ϵ_0 - free space permittivity;
 \mathbf{B} - magnetic field; μ - permeability;
 \mathbf{J} - ohmic + polarization currents



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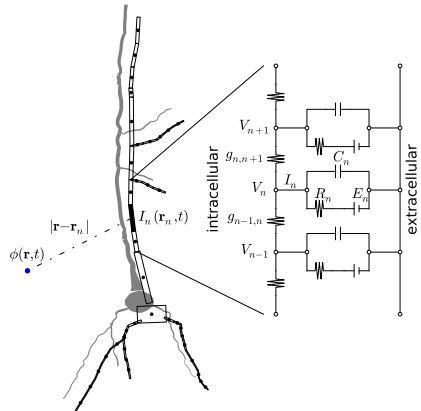
Biophysical background:

- Point current source

$$\phi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\sigma} \frac{I_0(t)}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_0|}$$

- Linear summation N point sources

$$\phi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{1}{4\pi\sigma} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{I_n(t)}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_n|}$$



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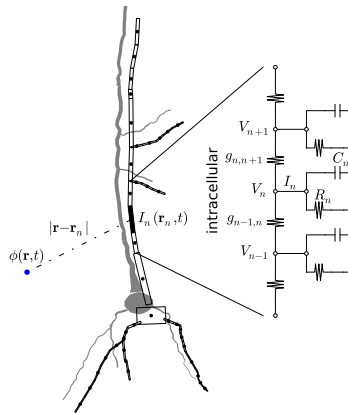
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Biophysical background:

- Line sources

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(\mathbf{r}, t) &= \frac{1}{4\pi\sigma} \sum_{n=1}^N I_n(t) \int \frac{d\mathbf{r}_n}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_n|} \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi\sigma} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{I_n(t)}{\Delta s_n} \ln \left| \frac{\sqrt{h_n^2 + r_{\perp n}^2} - h_n}{\sqrt{l_n^2 + r_{\perp j}^2} - l_n} \right|\end{aligned}$$

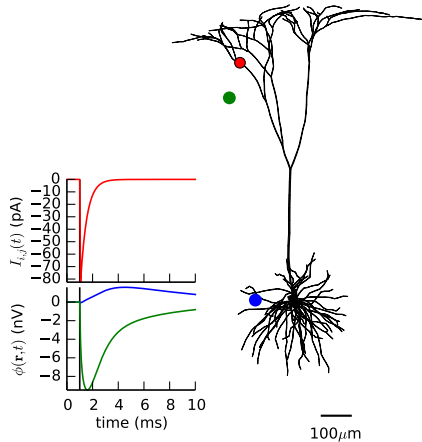
- Δs_n - segment length; h_n - longitudinal distance to one end of segment; $r_{\perp n}$ - perpendicular distance to segment axis; $l_n = \delta s_n + h_n$.
- see Holt & Koch. (1999), *J Comput Neurosci* 6:169-184



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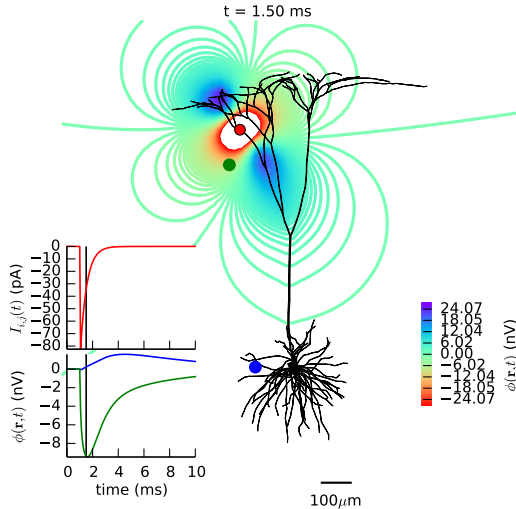
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$t = 1.00 \text{ ms}$



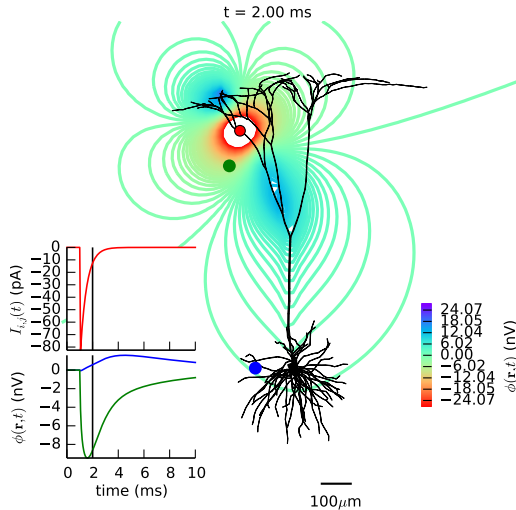
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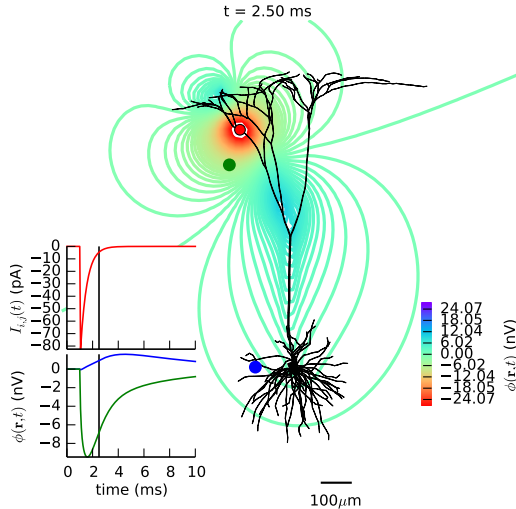
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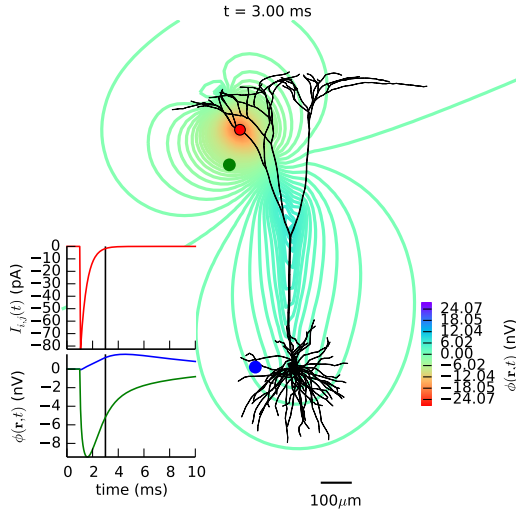
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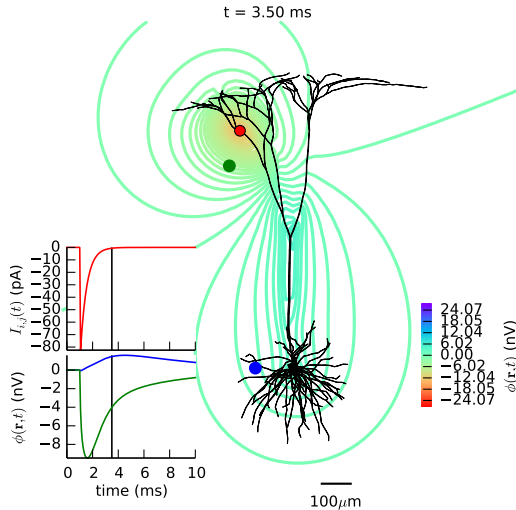
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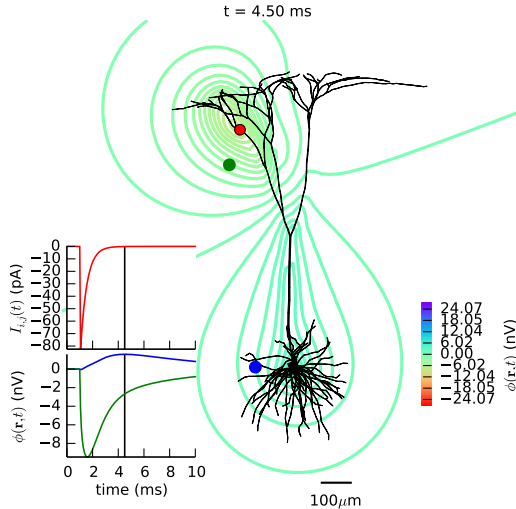
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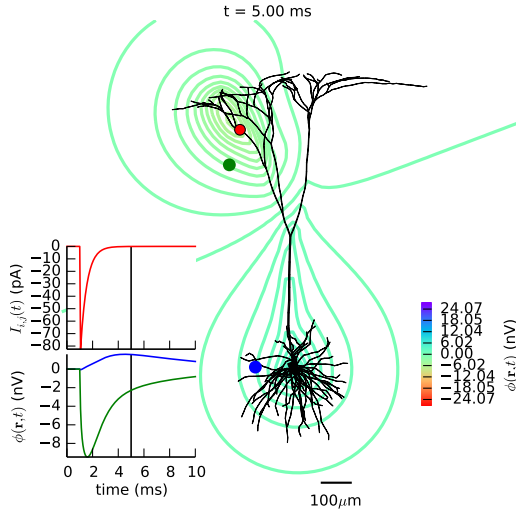
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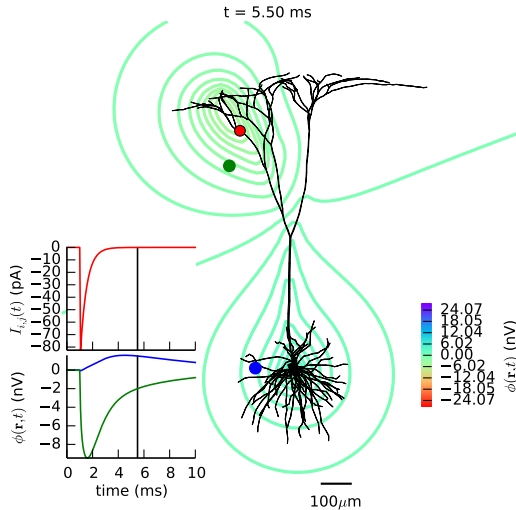
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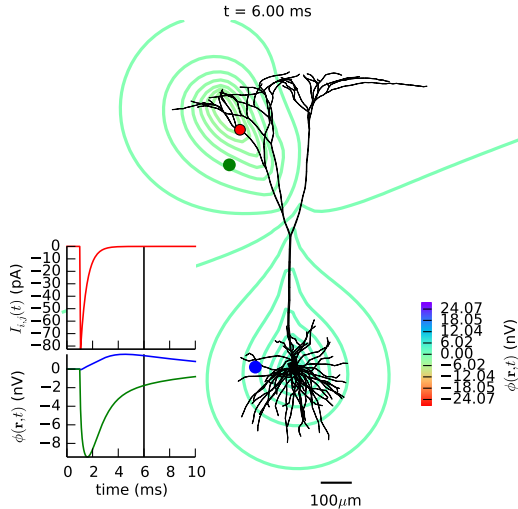
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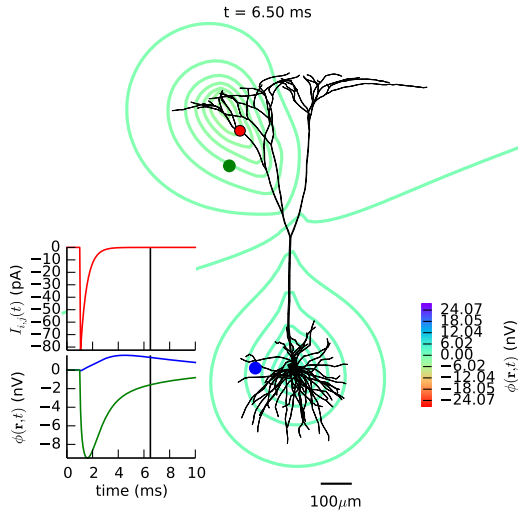
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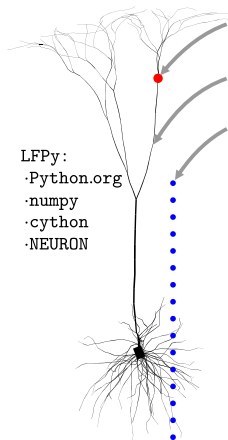
LFPy - Introduction

Methods implementation:

- Implemented in Python
- Uses NEURON under the hood
- Class objects represent:
 - cells
 - synapses
 - intracellular electrodes
 - extracellular electrodes
- Homepages w. documentation:
 - <http://LFPy.github.io>
 - <http://github.com/LFPy>

LFPy class-objects:

LFPy.Synapse
 LFPy.StimIntElectrode
 LFPy.Cell
 LFPy.TemplateCell
 LFPy.RecExtElectrode

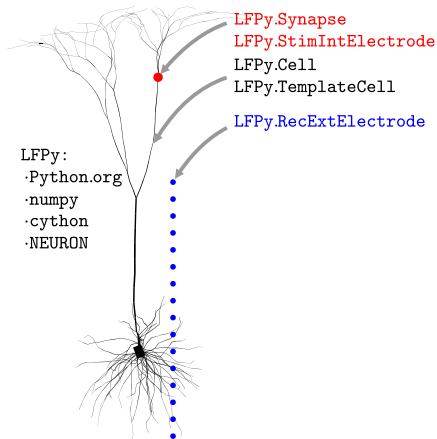


LFPy - Introduction

Why Python?

- Open source
- Easy, flexible coding
- Plethora of available packages for visualizations and analysis
- <http://pypi.python.org>:
~ 63000 packages
- Interfacing other programs/languages:
 - NEURON (www.neuron.yale.edu)
 - NEST (www.nest-initiative.org)
 - BRIAN (<http://briansimulator.org>)
 - ...

LFPy class-objects:



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Python dependencies:

■ Hard:

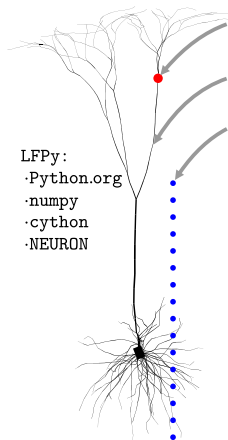
- neuron
- Cython
- numpy
- scipy
- matplotlib

■ Soft:

- ipython (+notebook)
- h5py
- mpi4py

LFPy class-objects:

- LFPy.Synapse
- LFPy.StimIntElectrode
- LFPy.Cell
- LFPy.TemplateCell
- LFPy.RecExtElectrode

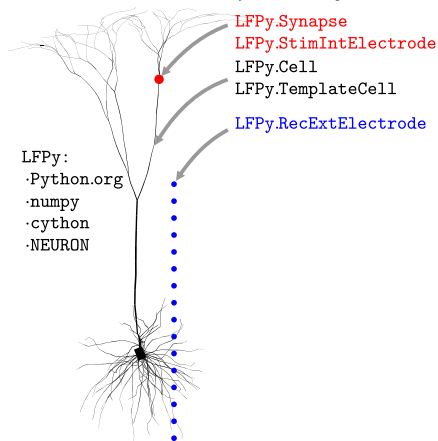


LFPy:
·Python.org
·numpy
·cython
·NEURON

LFPy - Introduction

- Written for Python v2.6.* - 3.4.*
- Python distributions:
 - Anaconda
 - Enthought Canopy
 - Python(x,y)
 - ...
- **LFPy** supported on:
 - Unix, OS X
 - Linux
 - Windows

LFPy class-objects:



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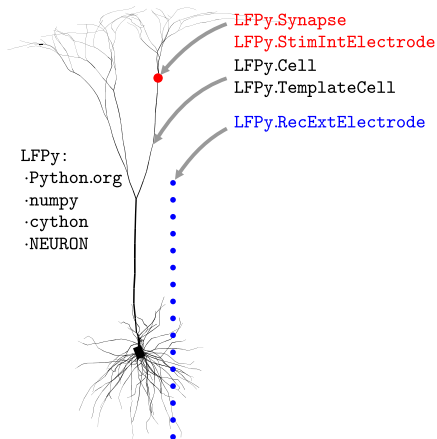
Easy installation method:

- `pip install LFPy --user`
- `easy_install LFPy --user`

From sources:

- Tar.gz-archive:
<https://pypi.python.org/packages/source/L/LFPy/LFPy-1.1.0.tar.gz>
- From git (<https://git-scm.com/>):
<https://github.com/LFPy/LFPy.git>
- Install:
`python setup.py install --user`

LFPy class-objects:



LFPy - Installation

Test installation:

With Python:

- python -c "import LFPy"
NEURON -- Release 7.3
(1089:ecf32eddfbc7)...

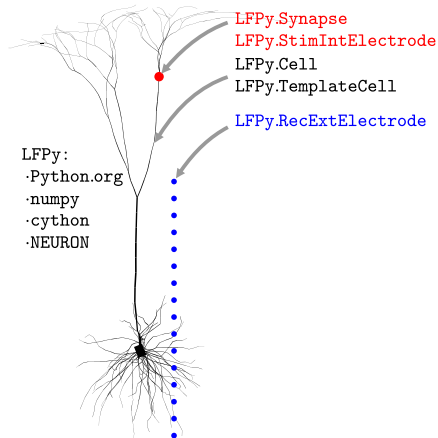
With NEURON:

- nrngui -python -c "import LFPy"
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Unit test suite:

```
import LFPy
LFPy.test()
```

LFPy class-objects:



LFPy - Class overview

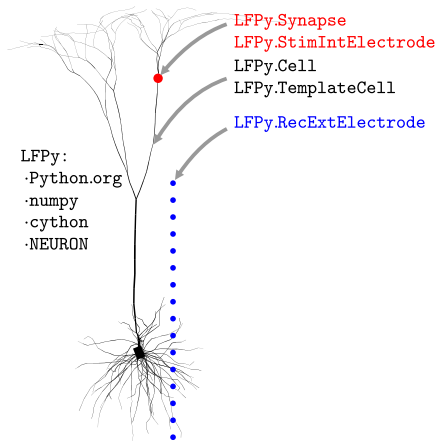
Main LFPy classes:

- Cell
- Synapse
- StimIntElectrode
- RecExtElectrode

Auxiliary classes and functions:

- TemplateCell
- lfpcalc.calc_lfp.*
- inputgenerators.*
- tools.*

LFPy class-objects:

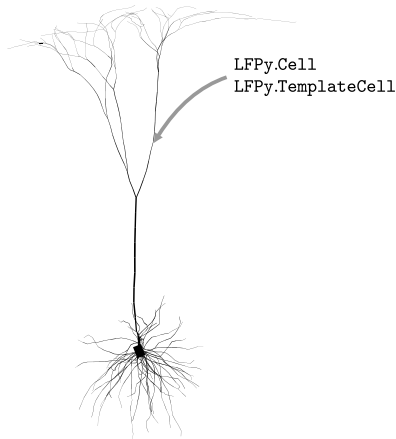


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LFPy.Cell:

- Uses NEURON under the hood
- Sets neuron properties:
 - neuron geometry
 - membrane mechanisms ('pas', 'hh', ...)
 - number of compartments ('d_lambda' rule; Hines&Carnevale. *Neuroscientist* (2001))
 - Sets cell location and rotation
- Simulation control
 - duration
 - record variables

LFPy class-objects:



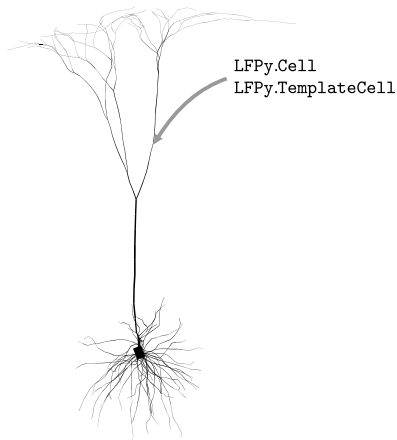
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LFPy.Cell:

- Create parameter dictionary

```
# Define cell parameters
cell_parameters = dict(
    morphology='j4a.hoc',
    rm = 30000., #ohm cm2
    cm = 1., #uF cm-2
    Ra = 150., #ohm cm
    v_init = -65., #mV
    e_pas = -65., #mV
    tstopms = 100., #ms
    custom_code = None,
)
```

LFPy class-objects:



LFPy - Class overview

LFPy.Cell:

- Create cell object:

```
cell = LFPy.Cell(  
    **cell_parameters)
```

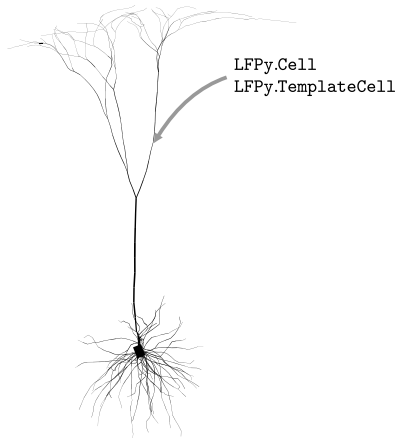
- Position and align cell:

```
cell.set_pos(0., 0., 0.)  
cell.set_rotation(x=4.99,  
    y=-4.33, z=3.14)
```

- (cell stimulation)
- simulate & plot cell response

```
cell.simulate(rec_isyn=True/False,  
    rec_istim=True/False)  
plt.plot(cell.tvec, cell.somav)
```

LFPy class-objects:



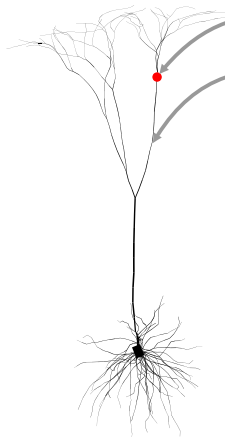
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LFPy.Synapse:

- Attach synapse-objects onto cell
- event-activated point currents
- Keyword arguments:
 - cell-object
 - compartment index (`idx`)
 - synapse type (`ExpSyn`, `Exp2syn`, `AlphaSynapse`)
 - mechanism arguments (`e`, `tau`, `weight`, ...)
 - record synapse current (`record_current`)
- Feed in activation times (`np.array([20., ...])`)

LFPy class-objects:

`LFPy.Synapse`
`LFPy.StimIntElectrode`
`LFPy.Cell`
`LFPy.TemplateCell`



LFPy - Class overview

LFPy.Synapse:

- Define synapse parameters

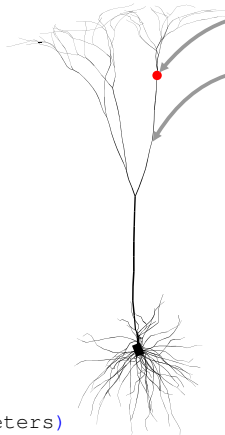
```
synapse_parameters = dict(
    idx = cell.get_closest_idx(
        x=-200.,
        y=0.,
        z=800.),
    syntype = 'ExpSyn',
    e = 0.,
    tau = 5.,
    weight = .001,
    record_current = True,)
```

- Create synapse, set activation time

```
syn = LFPy.Synapse(cell,
                    **synapse_parameters)
syn.set_spike_times(np.array([20.]))
```

LFPy class-objects:

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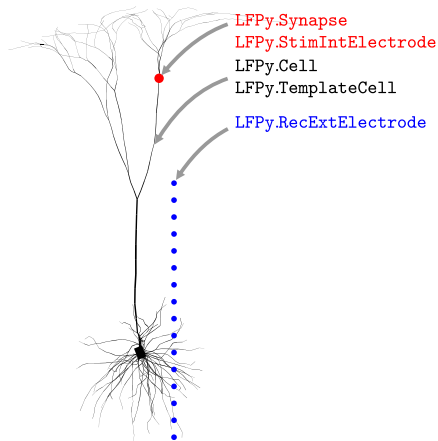


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LFPy.RecExtElectrode:

- Extracellular recording devices
- Main arguments:
 - `cell` objects (geometry, currents)
 - contact point coordinates x, y, z
 - extracellular conductivity `sigma`
 - method (`pointsource/linesource`)
- Optional:
 - contact radius `r`
 - contact surface normals `N`
 - n -point surface area averaged potential `n`

LFPy class-objects:



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LFPy.RecExtElectrode:

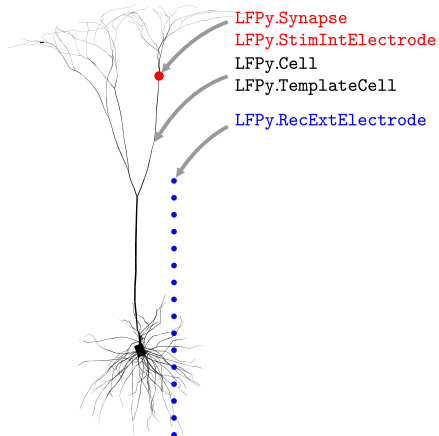
```
# Run simulation, record currents
cell.simulate(rec_imem=True,
              rec_isyn=True)

# Define electrode parameters
electrode_parameters = {
    'sigma' : 0.3,
    'x' : [-130., -220.],
    'y' : [ 0., 0.],
    'z' : [ 0., 700.],
}

# Create electrode object
electrode = LFPy.RecExtElectrode(
    cell,
    **electrode_parameters)

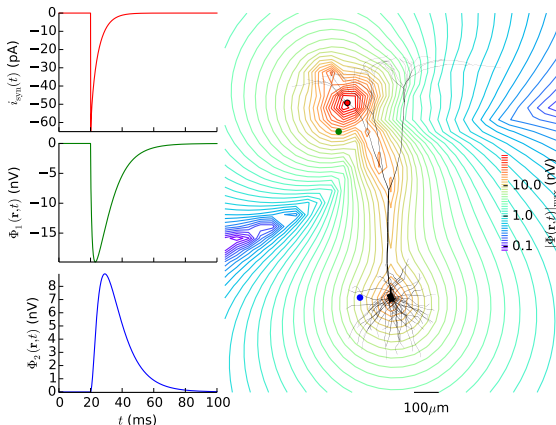
# Calculate LFPs
electrode.calc_lfp()
plt.plot(cell.tvec, electrode.LFP.T)
plt.show()
```

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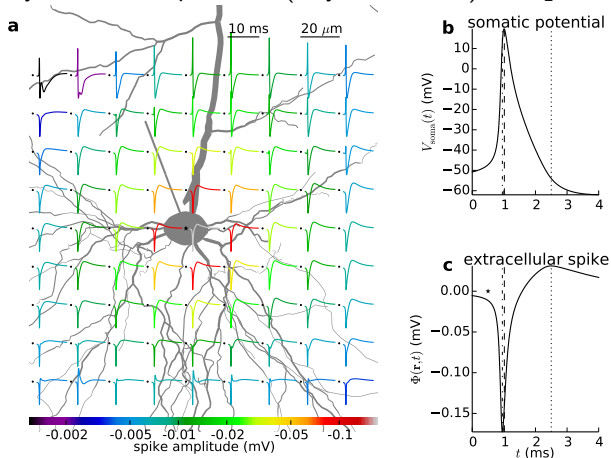
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 Apical synapse response, passive cable model



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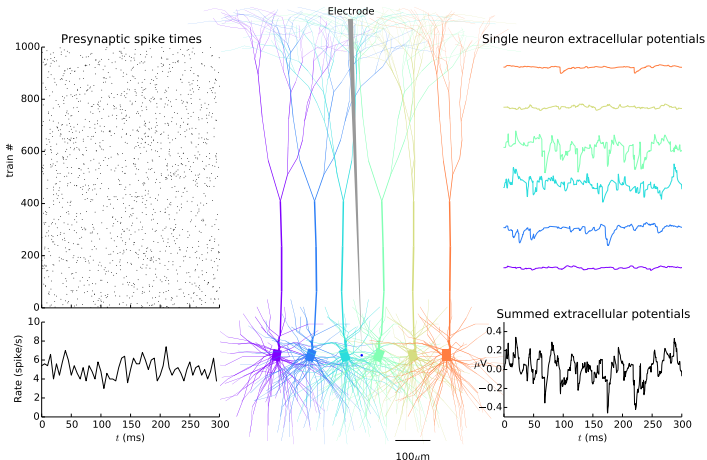
Layer 5b action potential (Hay et al. 2011), LFPy.TemplateCell



LFPy - Examples

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Extracellular potentials of small model population, shared input





LFPy - Further reading and material



LFPy: a tool for biophysical simulation of extracellular potentials generated by detailed model neurons

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Electrical extracellular recordings, i.e., recordings of the electrical potentials in the extracellular medium between cells, have been a main work-horse in electrophysiology for almost a century. The high-frequency part of the signal ($\gtrsim 500$ Hz), i.e., the *multi-unit activity (MUA)*, contains information about the firing of action potentials in surrounding neurons, while the low-frequency part, the *local field potential (LFP)*, contains information about how these neurons integrate synaptic inputs. As the recorded extracellular signals arise from multiple neural processes, their interpretation is typically ambiguous and

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Local Field Potentials in Python

LFPy Homepage

LFPy is a Python package for calculation of extracellular potentials from multicompartment neuron models. It relies on the NEURON simulator and uses the Python interface it provides.

Clone LFPy on GitHub.com: `git clone https://github.com/LFPy/LFPy.git`

LFPy provides a set of easy-to-use Python classes for setting up your model, running your simulations and calculating the extracellular potentials arising from activity in your model neuron. If you have a model working in NEURON already, it is likely that it can be adapted to work with LFPy.

The extracellular potentials are calculated from transmembrane currents in multi-compartment neuron models using the line-source method (Holt & Koch, J Comp Neurosci 1999), but a simpler point-source method is also available. The calculations assume that the neuron are surrounded by an infinite extracellular medium with homogeneous and frequency independent conductivity, and compartments are assumed to be at least at a minimal distance from the electrode (which can be specified by the user). For more information on the biophysics underlying the numerical framework used see this coming book chapter:

- K.H. Pettersen, H. Linden, A.M. Dale and G.T. Einevoll: Extracellular spikes and current-source density, in *Handbook of Neural Activity Measurement*, edited by R. Brette and A. Destexhe, Cambridge, to appear [preprint PDF, 5.7MB]

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Module **LFPy**

Initialization of LFPy, a module for simulating extracellular potentials.

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Classes:

- Cell - The pythonic neuron object itself laying on top of NEURON
- Synapse - Convenience class for inserting synapses onto Cell objects
- StimIntraElectrode - Convenience class for inserting electrodes onto Cell objects
- RecExtElectrode - Class for performing simulations of extracellular potentials

Modules:

- ifpcalc - functions used by RecExtElectrode class
- tools - some convenient functions
- inputgenerators - functions for synaptic input time generation

class **Cell**

```
class LFPy.Cell(morphology, v_init=-65.0, passive=True, Ra=150, rm=30000, cm=1.0, e_pas=-65.0, extracellular=True,
```

LFPy - Further reading and material

Model extracellular potentials from activity in multicompartment neurons — Edit

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examples	added example script adapted from example6.py for the neuroscience ga...	3 months ago
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README.md	documentation updates	a month ago
setup.py	Fixed setup.py to work in clean environment	22 days ago

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Questions?

Why hybrid model scheme? - hybridLFPy

Extracellular potentials in neural tissue

- Low-frequency part; the local field potential (LFP, $f \lesssim 100$ Hz)
 - Highly ambiguous, difficult to analyze
 - Large number of contributing sources
 - Reflect integration of synaptic inputs, synchrony, ...
 - Local and non-local network interactions
- High-frequency part ($f \gtrsim 500$ Hz)
 - Contain information of spiking activity
 - Single-unit activity (spikes)
 - Multi-unit activity (MUA)
 - Fewer contributing sources
 - Easier to interpret
 - (channel noise ++)



Why hybrid model scheme? - hybridLFPy

Extracellular potentials from electrophysiology

- Point-neuron network models:
 - Accurate predictions of population spiking activity
 - Efficient, easy to constrain models
 - Poor predictors of extracellular signals (e.g., $\text{rate} \neq \text{LFP}$)
- Biophysically detailed network models
 - Demanding to implement
 - Difficult to constrain
 - Computationally expensive
 - Extracellular signal predictions rare

Why hybrid model scheme? - hybridLFPy

Extracellular potentials from electrophysiology

- Large-scale models necessary:
 - LFP reflects synaptic input also generated by remote populations (cortical & subcortical areas)
 - Theoretical description of the LFP needs to account for:
 - Anatomical and electrophysiological features of proximal neurons
 - Activity in the local microcircuitry
 - Large-scale ($O(\text{brain})$) neuronal circuitry generating synaptic input
 - Reducibility of asynchronous networks is fundamentally limited (**O1**: Albada et al. (2015), <http://arxiv.org/abs/1411.4770v3>):
 - Methods to conserve 1st order statistics of network dynamics exist
 - Limitations arise if also 2nd-order statistics are to be maintained
 - Preserving correlations require preserving effective connectivity
 - Adjust synapse strength $j \propto 1/K$ and background input variance

Why hybrid model scheme? - hybridLFPy

Extracellular potentials from electrophysiology

- Here:
 - Hybrid scheme interfacing point-neuron network models with biophysically justified forward modelling scheme for extracellular potentials
 - LFP, CSD
 - (EEG, MEG, VSDi, ...)
- Benefits of hybrid scheme:
 - Relate network spiking activity to LFPs
 - Introduce spatial features (morphology, connectivity)
 - Simplified, passive membrane model
 - Preserve network features (cell count, synapse model ...)
 - Massive parallelism not necessary

hybridLFPy - Python package overview

Our hybrid scheme for LFP predictions is public:

- Documentation: <http://inm-6.github.io/hybridLFPy>
- Sources: <https://github.com/INM-6/hybridLFPy>
- Main classes and functions:
 - `hybridLFPy.CachedNetwork`
 - `hybridLFPy.Population`
 - `hybridLFPy.Postprocess`
 - `hybridLFPy.setup_file_dest`
- Example files - `/path/to/hybridLFPy/examples`
 - Network model: `/brunel_alpha_nest.py`
 - Hybrid model application: `/example_brunel.py`
- Python dependencies: `LFPy`, `nest`, `mpi4py`, `h5py`, `sqlite3`, `NeuroTools`

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Module **hybridLFPy**

Python module implementing a hybrid model scheme for predictions of extracellular potentials (local field potentials, LFPs) of spiking neuron network simulations.

Development

The module hybridLFPy was mainly developed in the Computational Neuroscience Group (<http://compneuro.umb.no>), Department of Mathematical Sciences and Technology (<http://www.nmbu.no/imt>), at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences (<http://www.nmbu.no>), Aas, Norway, in collaboration with Institute of Neuroscience and Medicine (INM-6) and Institute for Advanced Simulation (IAS-6), Juelich Research Centre and JARA, Juelich, Germany (<http://www.fz-juelich.de/inm/inm-6/EN/>).

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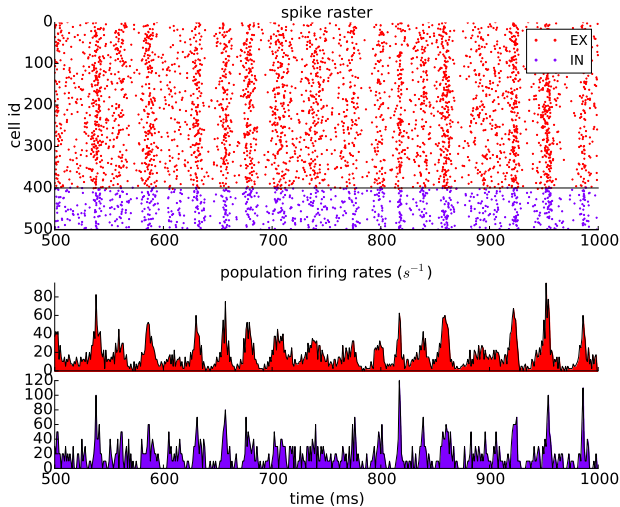
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hybridLFPy - Application with E-I network

Network model

- Two-population E-I network (Brunel, *J Comput Neurosci* (2000))
 - leaky integrate-and-fire (LIF) neurons
 - current based synapses
 - alpha-shaped PSCs
 - adapted from NEST (github.com/nest/nest-simulator) example:
`/pynest/examples/brunel_alpha_nest.py`
- Modifications:
 - $N_E + N_I = 500$ neurons
 - $J = 1$. mV
 - $g = -6$.
 - External Poisson spike generators removed
 - DC current input ($I_{DC} \approx 300$ nA)
 - All spike events dumped to disk

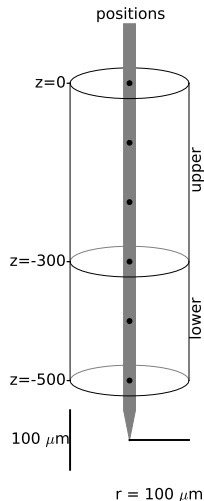
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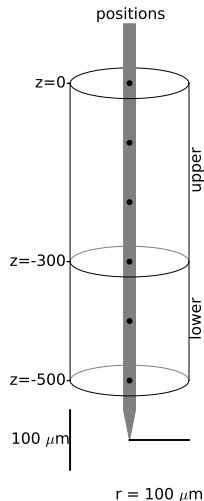
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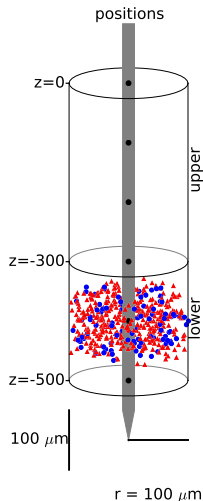
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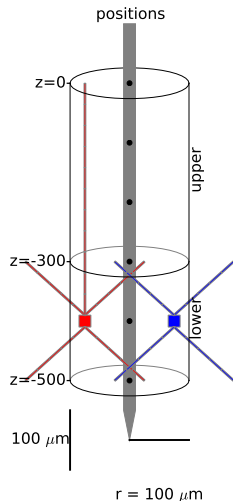
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- Random cell positions
 - $z \in [-450, -350] \mu\text{m}$
 - $R < 100 \mu\text{m}$



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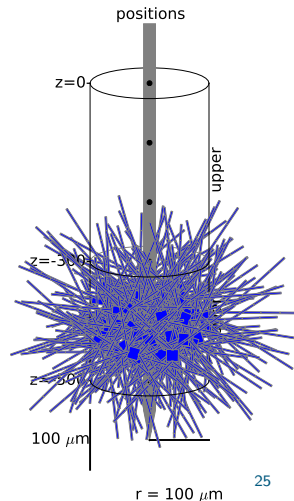
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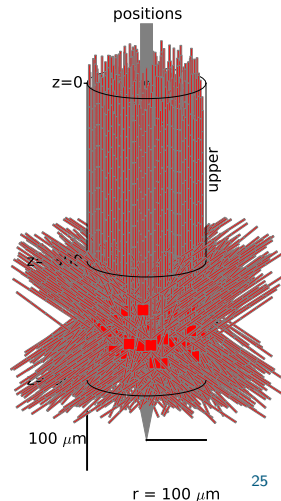
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random rotation around z -axis

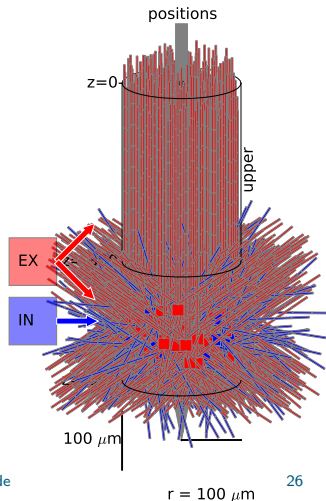


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Model configuration

- Connectivity:
 - Mean in-degree from the network
 - EX→EX: 50/50% in upper/lower layer
 - EX→IN: 100% in lower layer
 - IN→EX: 100% in lower layer
 - IN→IN: 100% in lower layer
 - Only IN inputs on soma
 - Within layers - conn.-prob. normalized by surface area

- Synapse model
 - inherited from network
 - NEURON NMODL language
examples/alphaisyn.mod



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example_brunel.py initialization:

```
#import necessary classes and functions
...
from hybridLFPy import PostProcess, Population, CachedNetwork
from hybridLFPy import setup_file_dest
from NeuroTools.parameters import ParameterSet
from mpi4py import MPI

#MPI Initialization
COMM = MPI.COMM_WORLD
SIZE = COMM.Get_size()
RANK = COMM.Get_rank()

#Parameters defined in pynest example script,
#brunel_alpha_nest.py, adapted from NEST v2.4.1 release:
import brunel_alpha_nest as BN
#note: will not execute model
```



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File hierarchy:

- simulation_output_example_brunel/
 - simscripts/
 - cells/
 - populations/
 - spiking_output_path/
 - figures/

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example_brunel.py file hierarchy:

```
PS = ParameterSet(dict()) #initialize
savefolder = 'simulation_output_example_brunel'
PS.update(
    #Main destination destination
    savefolder = savefolder,
    #copy of simulation files
    sim_scripts_path = os.path.join(savefolder, 'sim_scripts'),
    #single-cell output
    cells_path = os.path.join(savefolder, 'cells'),
    #destination compound signals
    populations_path = os.path.join(savefolder, 'populations'),
    #spike output from the network model
    spike_output_path = BN.spike_output_path,
    #figure destination
    figures_path = os.path.join(savefolder, 'figures')
)
#set up file destination, clear old results
setup_file_dest(PS, clearDestination=True)
```



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example_brunel.py parameter setup:

```
#population (and cell type) specific parameters
```

```
PS.update(dict(  
    #population names  
    X = ["EX", "IN"],  
    #population-specific LFPy.Cell parameters  
    cellParams = dict(  
        #excitatory cells  
        EX = dict(  
            morphology = 'morphologies/ex.hoc',  
            v_init = BN.neuron_params['E_L'],  
            rm = BN.neuron_params['tau_m'] * 1E3 / 1.,  
            cm = 1.0, Ra = 150,  
            e_pas = BN.neuron_params['E_L'],  
            timeres_NEURON = BN.dt,  
            timeres_python = BN.dt,  
            tstopms = BN.simtime,),  
        #inhibitory cells  
        IN = dict(  
            morphology = 'morphologies/in.hoc', ...))
```



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example_brunel.py parameter setup:

```
#population (and cell type) specific parameters
```

```
PS.update(dict(  
    #cylindrical model populations  
    populationParams = dict(  
        EX = dict(  
            number = BN.NE,  
            radius = 100,  
            z_min = -450,  
            z_max = -350,  
            min_cell_interdist = 1.,),  
        IN = dict(number = BN.NI, ...),  
    ),  
    #set the boundaries between the  
    #"upper" and "lower" layer:  
    layerBoundaries = [[0., -300],  
                       [-300, -500]],
```




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example_brunel.py parameter setup:

```
#set the geometry of the virtual recording device
PS.update(dict(
    electrodeParams = dict(
        #contact locations:
        x = [0]*6,
        y = [0]*6,
        z = [x*-100. for x in range(6)],
        #extracellular conductivity:
        sigma = 0.3,
        #contact surface normals, radius, n-point averaging
        N = [[1, 0, 0]]*6,
        r = 5,
        n = 20,
        seedvalue = None,
        #dendrite line sources, soma as sphere source (Linden2014)
        method = 'som_as_point',
        #no somas within the constraints of the "electrode shank":
        r_z = [[-1E199, -600, -550, 1E99], [0, 0, 10, 10]],))
```

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example_brunel.py parameter setup:

```
#layer- and population-specific
#connection parameters
PS.update(dict(
    #number of connections per layer per cell
    #from each presynaptic population
    k_yXL = dict(
        EX = [[int(0.5*BN.CE), 0],
              [int(0.5*BN.CE), BN.CI]],
        IN = [[0, 0],
              [BN.CE, BN.CI]],),

    #Connection weights (current amplitudes)
    J_yX = dict(
        EX = [BN.J_ex*1E-3, BN.J_in*1E-3],
        IN = [BN.J_ex*1E-3, BN.J_in*1E-3],),
```



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example_brunel.py parameter setup:

```
#set up synapse parameters as derived from the network
```

```
PS.update(dict(  
    synParams = dict(  
        EX = dict(  
            section = ['apic', 'dend'],  
            tau = BN.tauSyn,  
            syntype = 'AlphaISyn'  
        ),  
        IN = dict(section = ['dend', 'soma'],  
                  ...),),  
    #fixed delays of network  
    synDelayLoc = dict(  
        EX = [BN.delay, BN.delay],  
        IN = [BN.delay, BN.delay],  
    ),  
    #no distribution of delays  
    synDelayScale = dict(  
        EX = [None, None],  
        IN = [None, None],),
```

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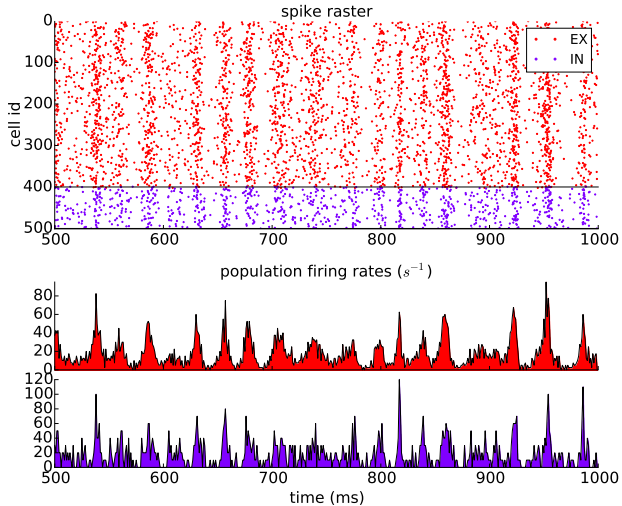
example_brunel.py network spikes:

```
#execute network simulation
BN.simulate()

#wait for the network simulation to finish, resync MPI threads
COMM.Barrier()

#Create an object representation containing the spiking activity of
#the network simulation output that uses sqlite3. Again, kwargs are
#derived from the brunel network instance.
networkSim = CachedNetwork(
    simtime = BN.simtime,
    dt = BN.dt,
    spike_output_path = BN.spike_output_path,
    label = BN.label,
    ext = 'gdf',
    GIDs = {'EX' : [1, BN.NE],
           'IN' : [BN.NE+1, BN.NI]},
)
```

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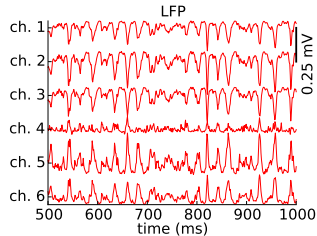
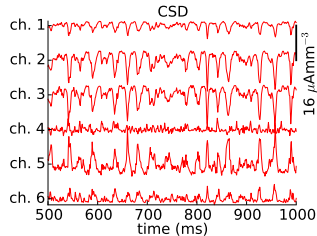
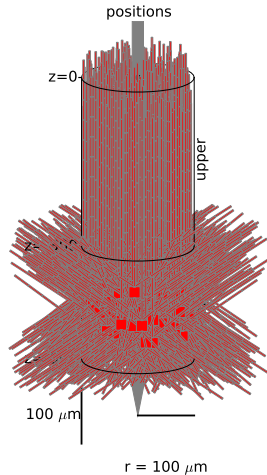


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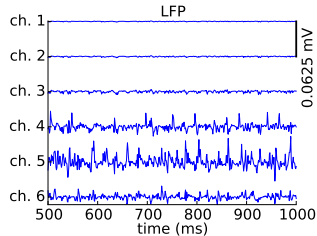
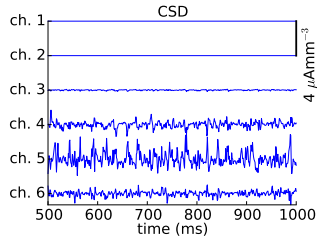
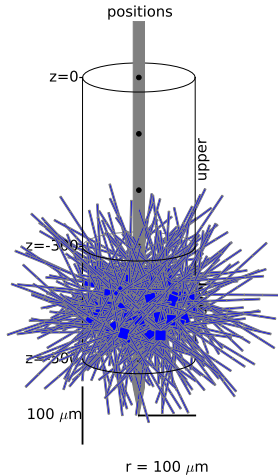
example_brunel.py running single-cell simulations:

```
for i, Y in enumerate(PS.X):
    #create population:
    pop = Population(
        cellParams = PS.cellParams[Y],
        rand_rot_axis = PS.rand_rot_axis[Y],
        simulationParams = PS.simulationParams,
        populationParams = PS.populationParams[Y],
        layerBoundaries = PS.layerBoundaries,
        electrodeParams = PS.electrodeParams,
        ...
        networkSim = networkSim,
        k_yXL = PS.k_yXL[Y],
        synParams = PS.synParams[Y],
        synDelayLoc = PS.synDelayLoc[Y],
        synDelayScale = PS.synDelayScale[Y],
        J_yX = PS.J_yX[Y],)
    #run simulation and process single-cell data
    pop.run()
    pop.collect_data()
```

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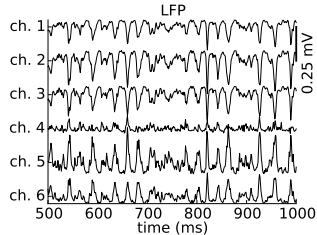
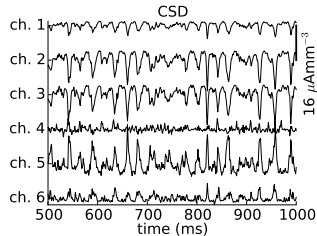
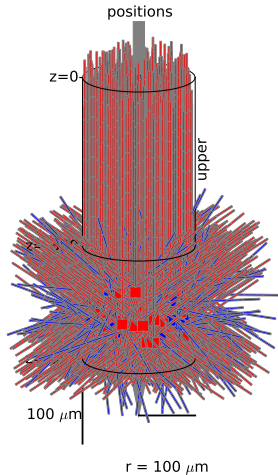


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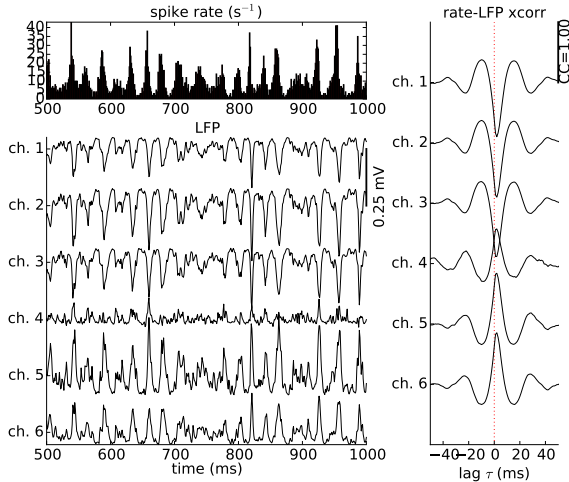
example_brunel.py creating compound signals:

```
#Postprocessing of population output,  
#(superposition of population LFPs, CSDs)  
postproc = PostProcess(y = PS.X,  
                        dt_output = PS.dt_output,  
                        savefolder = PS.savefolder,  
                        mapping_Yy = PS.mapping_Yy,  
                        )  
  
#run procedure  
postproc.run()
```

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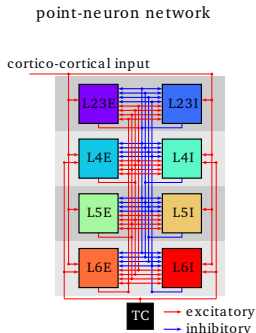


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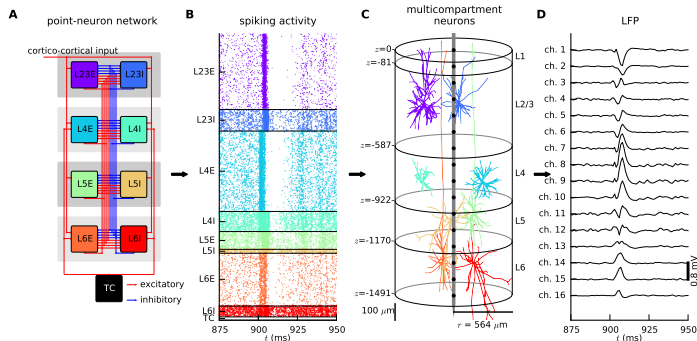
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- microcircuit model:
 - local circuitry under 1mm^2 (cat VC)
 - 80k LIF point neurons
 - 300M current-based synapses
 - 4 layers
 - 2 populations (E,I) per layer
 - equal dynamics of E-I neurons
 - layer- and type-specific random connectivity



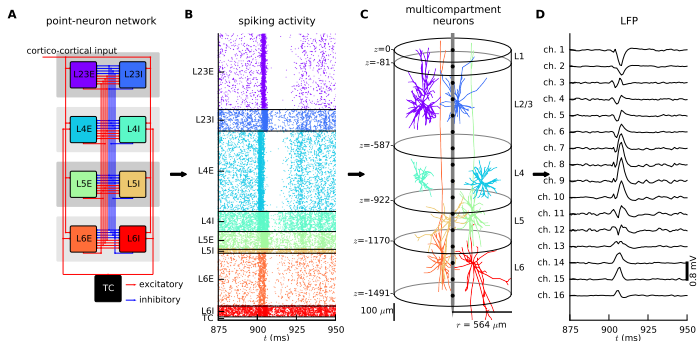
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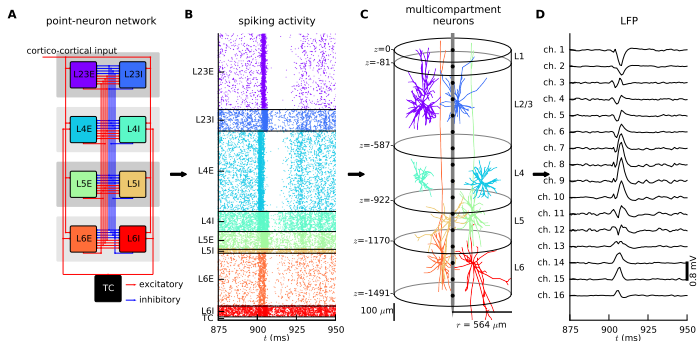
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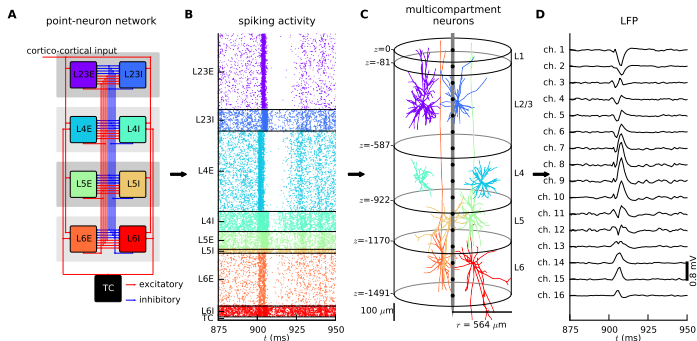
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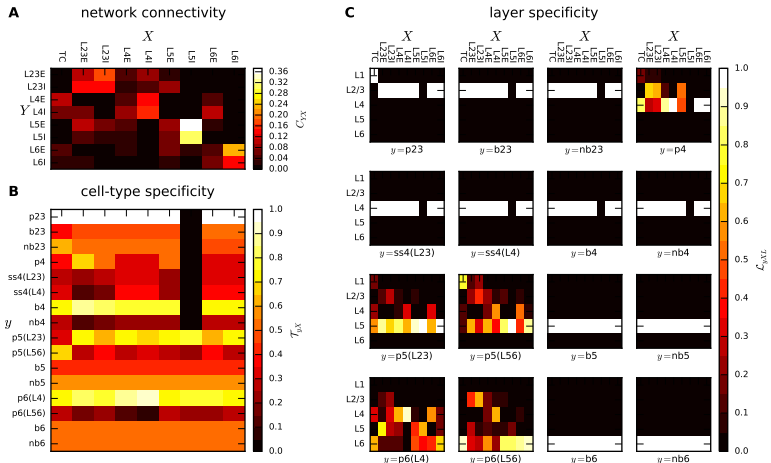
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 - multi-compartment neurons: “antennas” for LFP generation

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		percent of cells Number of synapses		presynaptic neurons																					
		nb1	p2/3	b2/3	nb2/3	ss4(L4)	ss4(L2/3)	p4	b4	nb4	p5(L2/3)	p5(L5b)	b5	nb5	p6(L4)	p6(L5b)	b6	nb6	contocortical	TCa	TCn	TIs	TIn	TRN	
postsynaptic neurons	nb1	1.5	8990	10.1	6.3	0.6	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	77.8	-	4.1	-	-	-	
	p2/3 ^{L2/3}	26	5800	10.2	59.9	9.1	4.4	0.6	8.9	7.7	-	-	0.8	7.4	-	-	2.3	-	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	
	L1	1306	10.2	6.3	0.1	1.1	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	0.1	-	-	-	-	-	78	-	4.1	-	-	-
	b2/3	3.1	3854	1.3	51.6	10.6	3.4	0.5	5.8	6.6	-	-	0.8	6.3	-	-	1.1	-	0.7	9.8	-	0.5	-	-	-
	nb2/3	4.2	3307	1.7	48.6	11.4	3.3	0.5	5.5	6.2	-	-	0.8	5.9	-	-	2.8	-	0.6	13	-	0.7	-	-	-
	ss4(L4)	9.2	5792	-	2.7	0.2	0.6	11.9	3.7	4.1	7.1	2	0.8	0.1	-	-	32.7	-	5.8	25.3	-	1.7	1.3	-	-
	ss4(L2/3)	9.2	4989	-	5.6	0.4	0.8	11.3	3.8	4.3	7.2	2.1	1.1	0.1	-	-	31.1	-	5.5	23.9	-	1.7	1.3	-	-
	p4 ^{L4}	9.2	5031	-	4.3	0.2	0.6	11.5	3.6	4.2	7.2	2.1	1.2	0.1	-	-	31.4	0.1	5.9	24.5	-	1.7	1.3	-	-
	L2/3	866	10.2	6.3	0.1	1.1	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	-	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	b4	5.4	3230	-	5.8	0.5	0.8	11	3.8	4.2	8.4	2.4	1.1	-	-	-	30.3	-	5.4	23.3	-	1.6	1.2	-	-
	nb4	1.5	3688	-	2.7	0.2	0.6	11.7	3.6	4	8.2	2.3	0.8	0.1	-	-	32.2	-	5.7	24.9	-	1.7	1.3	-	-
	p5(L2/3) ^{L2}	4.8	4316	-	45.9	1.8	0.3	3.3	2	7.5	0.9	11.7	1	0.8	1.1	2.3	2.1	-	11.5	7.2	-	0.1	0.4	-	-
	L4	283	10.2	2.8	0.1	0.7	12.2	3.8	4.2	5.2	1.5	0.8	0.1	-	-	33.7	-	-	5.9	26	-	1.8	1.4	-	-
	L2/3	412	10.2	6.3	0.1	1.1	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	-	-	2.5	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
	L1	185	10.2	6.3	0.1	1.1	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	78	-	4.1	-	-	-
	p5(L5/6) ^{L5}	1.3	5101	-	44.3	1.7	0.2	3.2	2	7.3	0.8	11.3	1.2	0.8	1.1	2.3	2.5	0.3	11.3	9.2	-	0.2	0.5	-	-
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	L5	1066	10.2	46.8	0.8	0.3	3.4	2.1	7.7	5.2	1.5	0.8	0.1	-	0.6	11.9	1	0.6	0.8	2.3	2.1	-	11.7	7.4	-
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L1	121	10.2	6.3	0.1	1.1	-	-	-	-	0.1	-	-	-	-	2.5	-	-	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	
p6(L5/6) ^{L4}	4.5	5573	-	63.1	5.1	4.1	0.6	7.2	8.1	0.6	7.8	-	-	-	33.7	-	-	5.9	26	-	1.8	1.4	-	-	
L5	121	10.2	2.5	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.9	1.3	0.1	0.1	4.9	-	0.3	1.2	13.2	7.8	7.8	55.7	-	-	0.6	2.9	-	-	
L4	257	10.2	46.8	0.8	0.3	3.4	2.1	7.7	5.2	1.5	0.8	0.1	-	0.6	11.9	1	0.6	0.8	2.3	2.1	-	11.7	7.4	-	
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b6	2	3220	-	2.5	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.9	1.3	0.1	0.1	4.9	-	0.4	1.2	13.2	7.7	7.7	55.7	-	0.6	2.9	-	-	
nb6	2	3220	-	2.5	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.9	1.3	0.1	0.1	4.9	-	0.4	1.2	13.2	7.7	7.7	55.7	-	0.6	2.9	-	-	
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TIs	0.1	3000	13.5	-	48.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9.8	3.3	-	-	-	-	0.4	-	24.4	-	-
TIn	0.1	3000	13.4	-	48.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.8	1.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6	-	24.4	-
TRN	0.5	4000	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	10	-	10

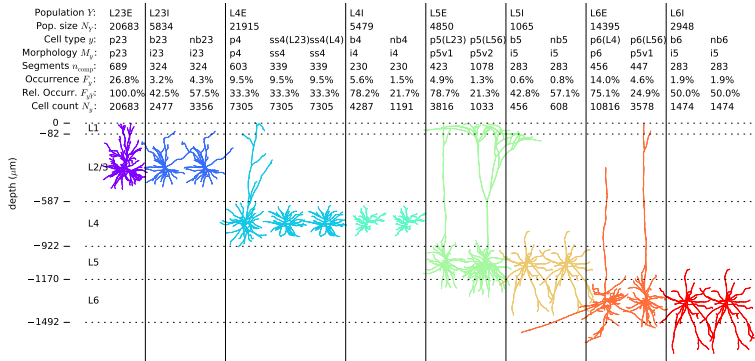
Cat VC connectivity of Binzegger et al. *J Neurosci* (2004)

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Network connectivity and layer specificity of connections

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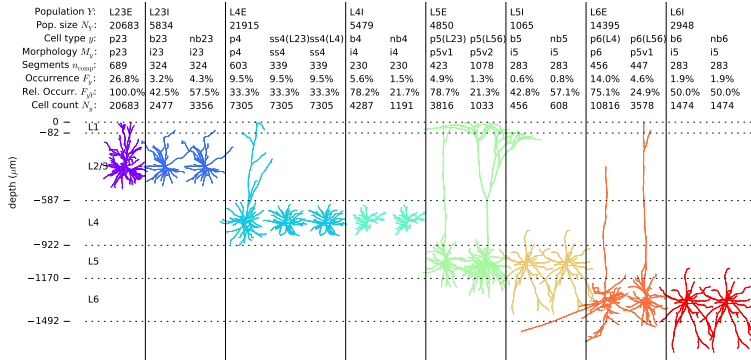


Morphologies and layer boundaries:

[Stepanyants et al. *Cereb Cortex* (2008)]

- reconstructions from cat (visual/somatosensory cortices)
- limited data availability: reuse files across cell types

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Extrapolation from anatomical connectivity data:

- cell-type specific connectivity: 16 cell types
- layer specificity of connections

[Binzegger et al. (2004)]

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Microcircuit model example

- Main example scripts:

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example_microcircuit_params.py  
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- Execute model

```
cd /PATH/TO/hybridLFPy/examples/
nrnivmodl
mpirun -np 128 python example_microcircuit.py
```

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Microcircuit model example

- [example_microcircuit_params.py](#)
 - Defines and derives parameter values
 - Process anatomical connectivity
 - Map network connectivity onto LFP model
 - Defined through parameter class objects

```
class general_params(object):
    '''class defining general model parameters'''

class point_neuron_network_params(general_params):
    '''class defining point-neuron network parameters'''

class multicompartment_params(point_neuron_network_params):
    '''class defining additional attributes needed by
    hybridLFPy.Population and hybridLFPy.DummyNetwork'''
```

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Microcircuit model example

- [example_microcircuit.py](#)

- Load parameter objects

```
networkParams = point_neuron_network_params()
params = multicompartment_params() #all
```

- Executes network simulation

```
sli_run(parameters=networkParams, fname='microcircuit.sli'
merge_gdf(networkParams, ...)
networkSim = CachedNetwork(**params.networkSimParams)
```

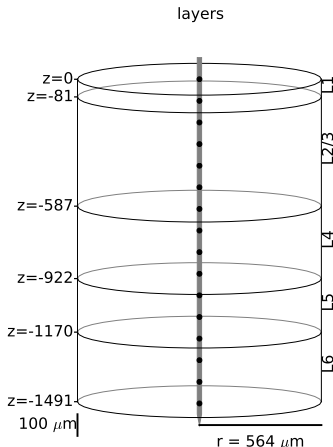
- Calculate extracellular potentials

```
for i, y in enumerate(params.y):
    pop = Population(cellParams=params.yCellParams[y], ...)
    pop.run()
    pop.collect_data()
```


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Microcircuit model example

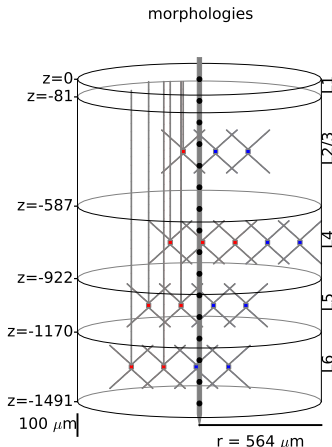
- 1mm^2 cortical surface area
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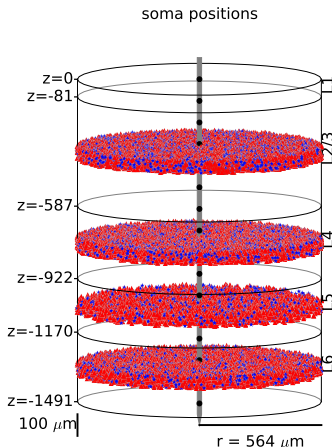
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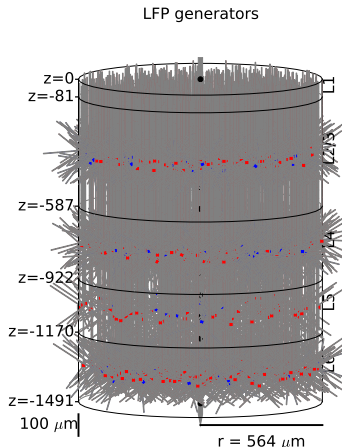
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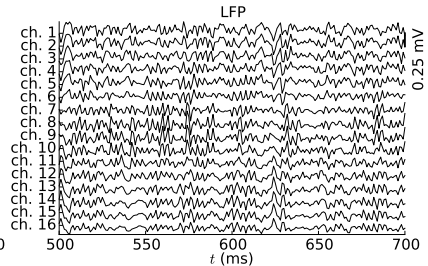
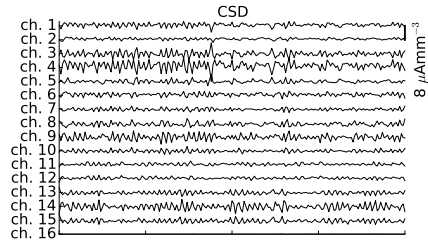
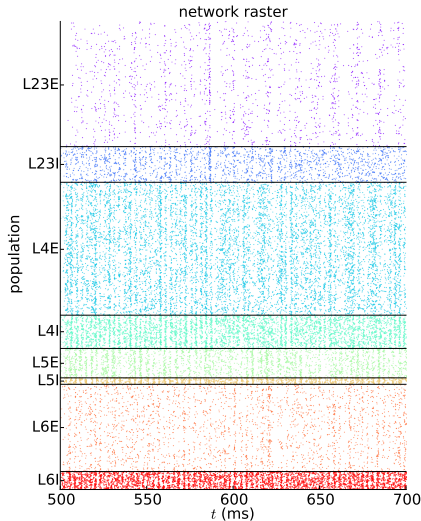
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- 78000 multicompartment neurons generate LFP



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Summary & Outlook

- Forward modeling scheme:
 - Derived using standard electrostatic theory
 - Multicompartment neuron models
- **LFPy**; <http://LFPy.github.io>:
 - Extracellular potentials of single-neuron models
 - Anisotropic extracellular medium
 - Method of Images (Mol) for inhomogeneous media
 - Support parallel network implementations
- **hybridLFPy**; <http://inm-6.github.com/hybridLFPy>:
 - LFP predictions of point neuron network models
 - Main application: Potjans&Diesmann, *Cereb Cortex* (2014)
 - Multi-area model predictions
 - Network models with distance dependent connections
 - Verify simplified LFP prediction schemes

Talks & Posters

- 010: Zachariou et al. Contrast-dependent Modulation of Gamma Rhythm in V1: a Network Model.
- P60: Telenczuk et al. How neuronal correlations affect the LFP signal?
- **P67**: Hagen et al. Hybrid scheme for modeling local field potentials from point-neuron networks
- P68: Halnes et al. Can ionic diffusion have an effect on extracellular potentials?
- P93: Cui et al. Is it right to estimate inter-modular connectivity from local field potentials?
- P168: Constantinou et al. Information transfer by local field potentials in the hippocampal formation
- P194: Yates et al. Canonical correlations reveal co-variability between spike trains and local field potentials in area MT
- P203: Ness et al. Contributions from active dendritic conductances to the Local Field Potential.

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- **iCSD** and **kCSD** tools
 - <https://github.com/espenhgn/iCSD>
 - <https://github.com/INCF/pykCSD>
 - (ElePhAnT ElectroPhysiology Analysis Toolkit
<https://github.com/NeuralEnsemble/elephant>,
<https://github.com/ccluri/elephant>)

- **LFPy**
 - <https://github.com/LFPy/LFPy>
 - <http://LFPy.github.io>

- **hybridLFPy**
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