

# TTX and BCM

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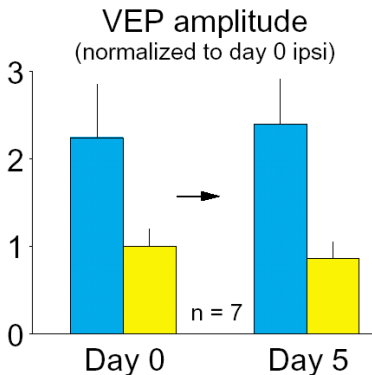
# Outline

- 1 **BCM and Presynaptic Activity**
  - Experimental Results
  - BCM Theory
- 2 **Assumptions about Activity in LGN**
  - The Usual Suspects
- 3 **Simulations**
  - Normal Development
  - Deprivation
  - Conclusions

# Normal Rearing (NR)

Frenkel and Bear, 2004

- contralateral bias magnitude  $\sim 2.5$
- VEP includes responses from *populations* of cells



# Monocular Suture (MS) and Inactivation (MI)

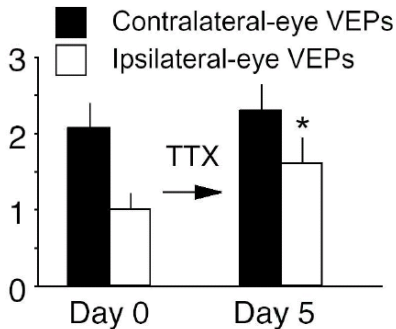
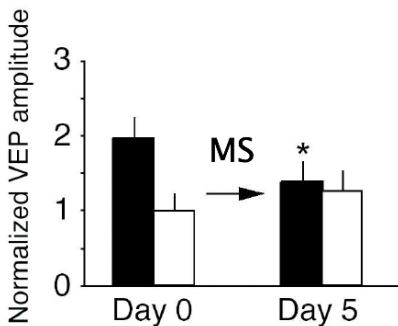
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## MI

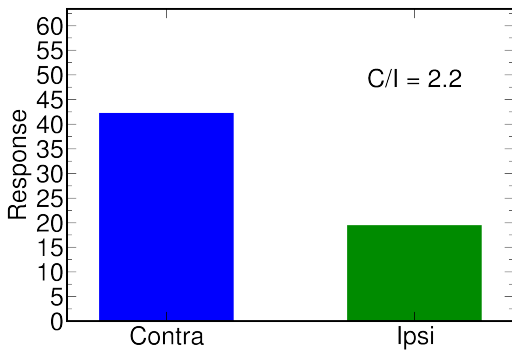
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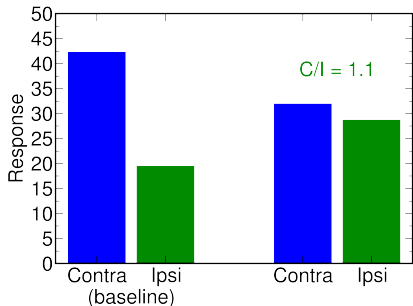
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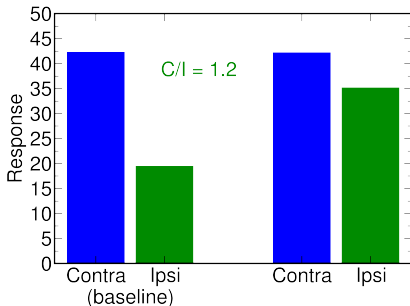
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# Monocular Suture

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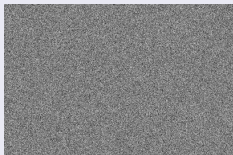
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# Monocular Inactivation

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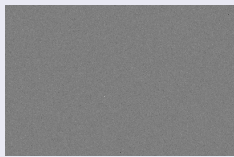
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- noise has smaller variance than for lid suture
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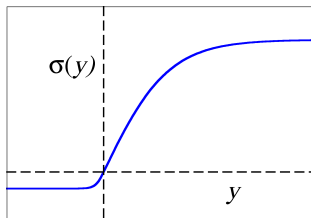
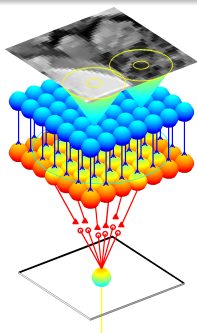
# Notation

## Equations

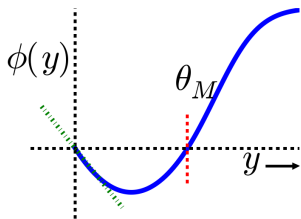
$$\text{inputs: } \mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$$

$$\text{weights: } \mathbf{w} = (w_1, w_2, \dots)$$

$$\text{output: } y = \sigma(x_1 \cdot w_1 + x_2 \cdot w_2 + \dots) = \sigma(\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{w})$$



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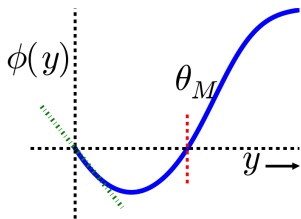


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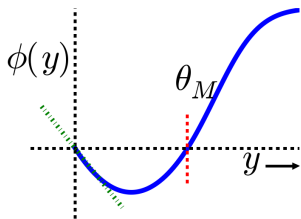


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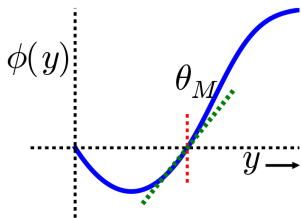
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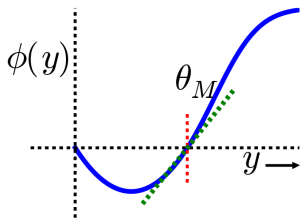


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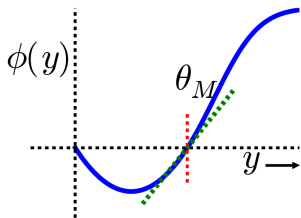


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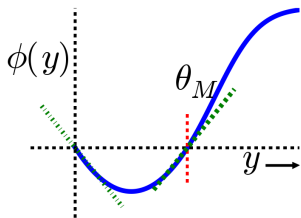
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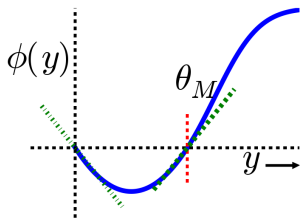


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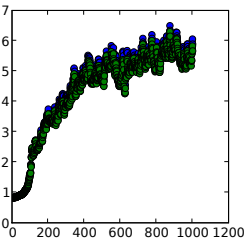
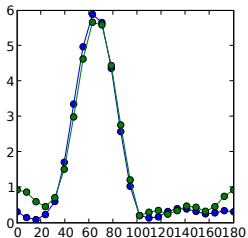
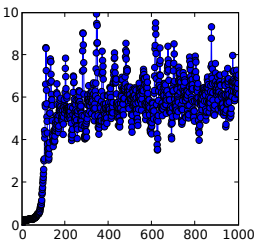
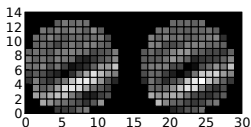
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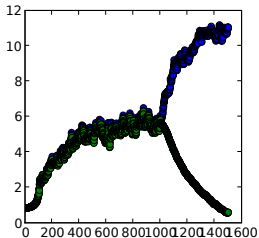
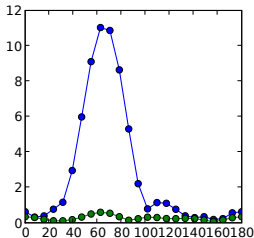
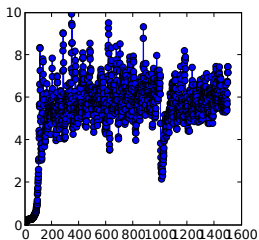
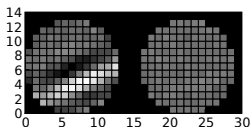
What happens?

# Normal Development (Cats)



Exploratory  
 mode: use cat  
 sims for speed

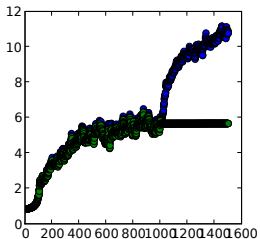
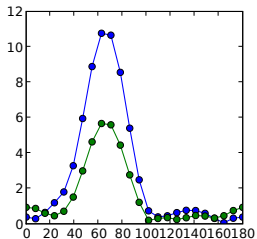
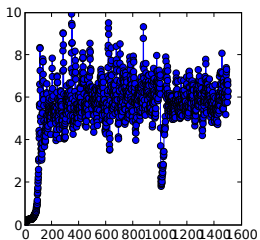
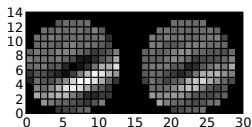
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Noise

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- Std 0.8

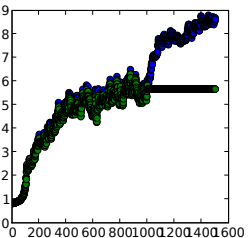
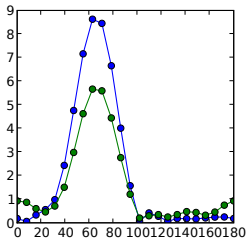
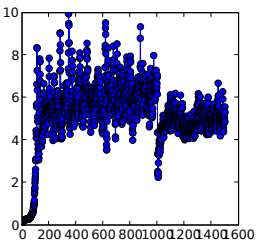
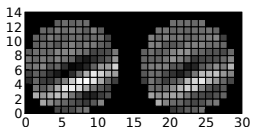
# Monocular Inactivation (Cats)



Noise

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- Std 0.005

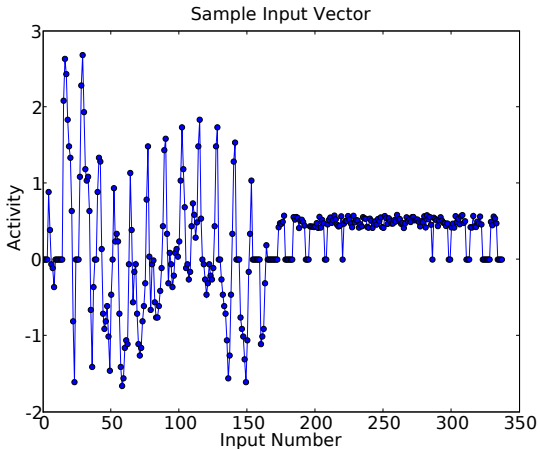
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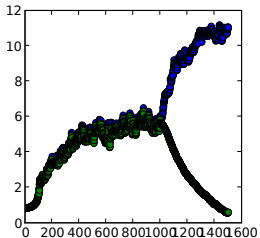
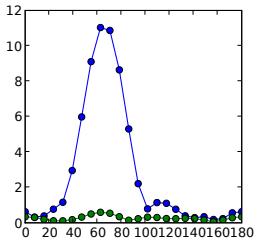
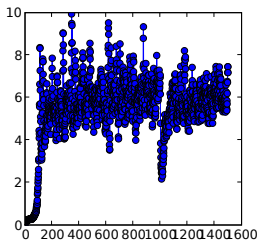
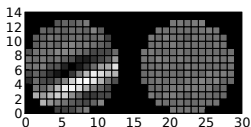
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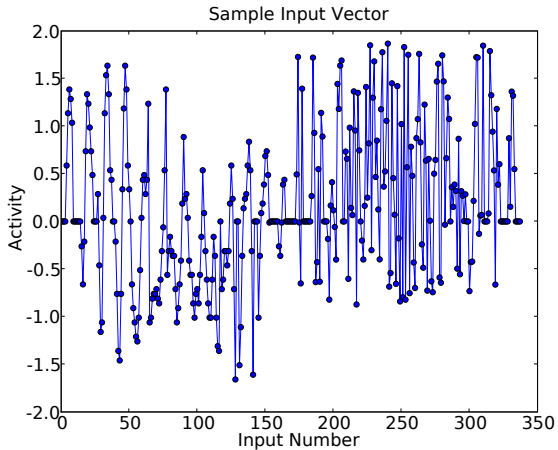
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# Conclusions

Using non-zero mean noise...

- ...the TTX activities become *very* correlated
- ...the *results* for MS and MI are *identical*