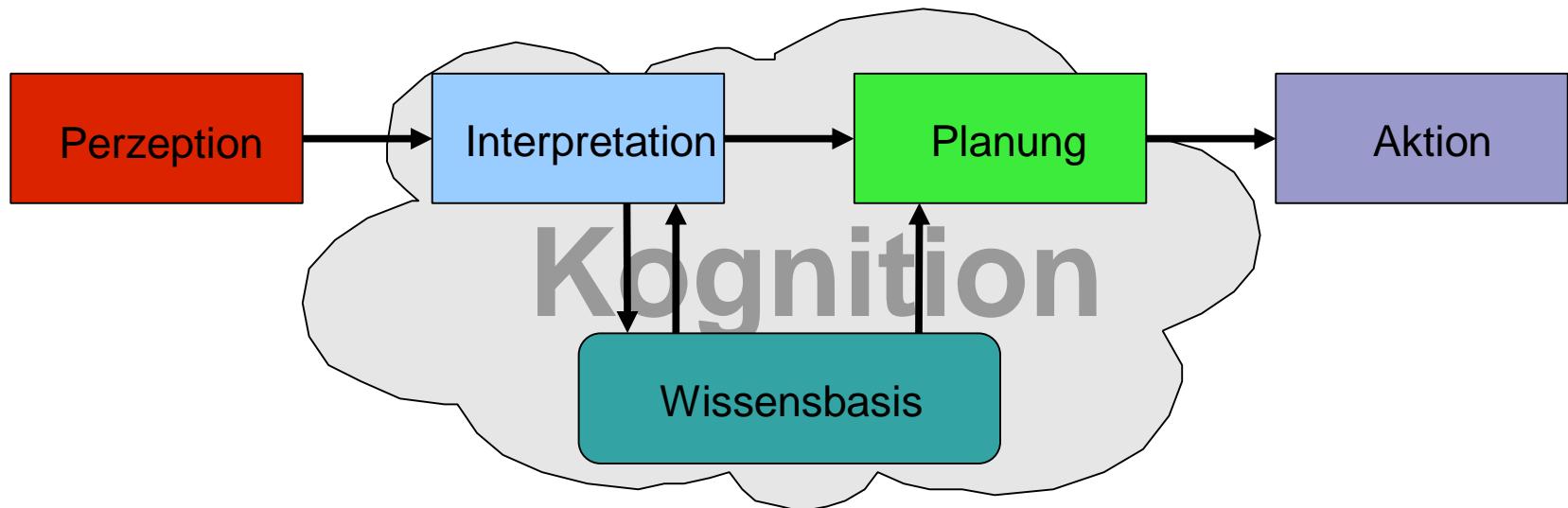


Kognitive Systeme

Robotik III

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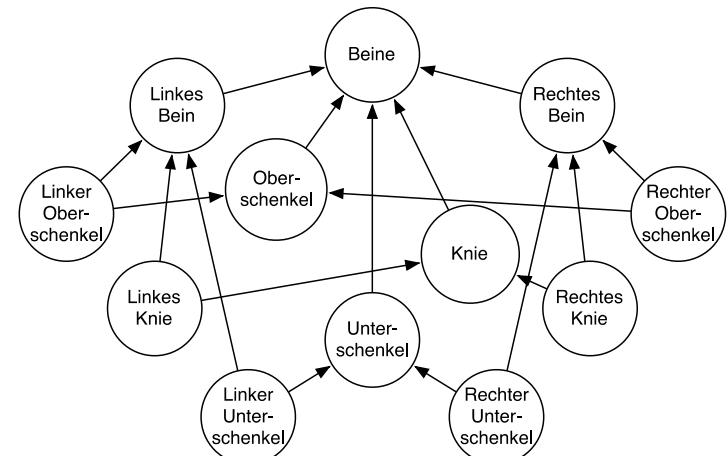
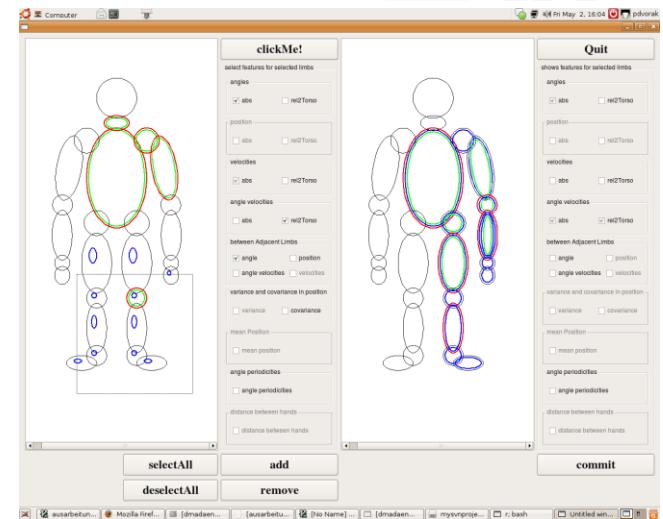
Überblick



Interaktion in der Merkmalsauswahl

- Einbindung des Trainers über GUI
 - Vorauswahl beteiligter/unbeteiligter Körperteile
 - „Art“ der Aktivität

- Verbindung von Benutzereingaben zu Merkmalen über Modellierung von Merkmalstaxonomien
 - Modellierung des Zusammenhangs zwischen Merkmalsmengen als azyklische Graphen
 - Taxonomien haben Verbund-Struktur



Ausblick Aktivitätserkennung

- *Vision: Autonomes Lernen und Erkennen von Aktivitäten durch robotische Systeme*
- Integration des Lernsystems auf Roboter
 - Lernen vollständig in Interaktion mit Roboter statt Verwendung getrennter Rechner
- Verringerung des Aufwandes für Training durch
 - automatische Segmentierung und unüberwachte Lernverfahren
 - Adaptive Anpassung der Erkenner-Struktur abhängig von Aktivität
 - Nutzung von Bewegungsalphabeten
 - Nutzung von Bewegungsbibliotheken

Prinzip: Programmieren durch Demonstration

- Ein Mensch demonstriert auf natürliche Weise eine Handhabungsaufgabe unter Einbeziehung expliziten und impliziten Domänenwissens
- Die Demonstration wird aufgezeichnet und interpretiert

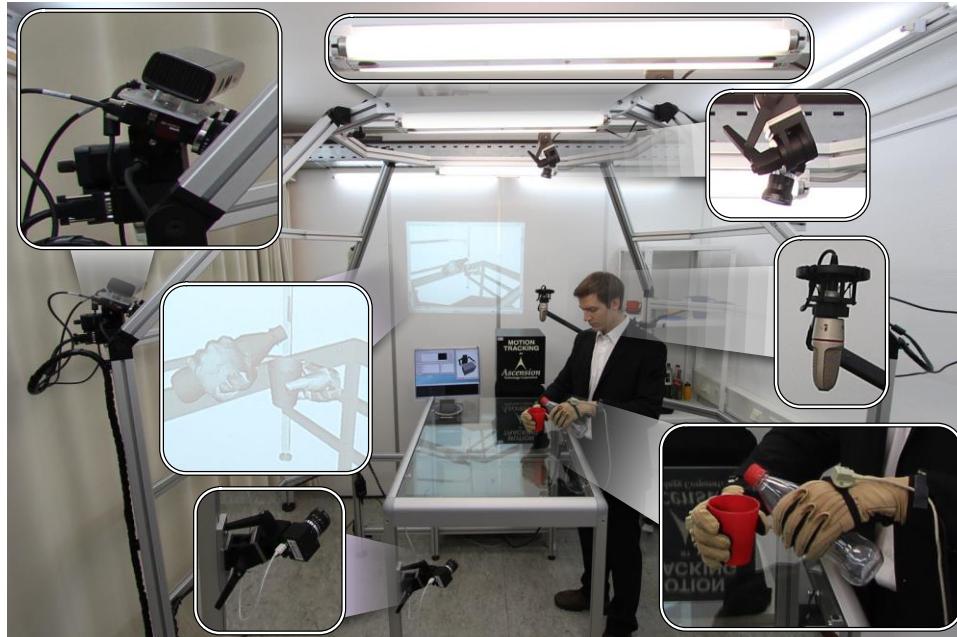


Specific PbD
methodology



Sensoren zur Handlungsbeobachtung

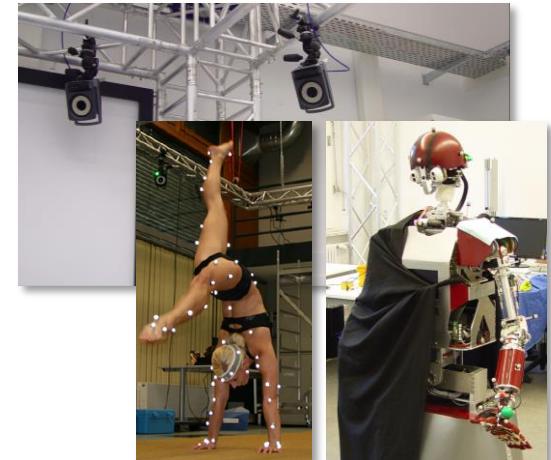
- Object Modeling Center
 - Generation of high-precision, textured 3D-models
- PbD-Dome
 - Observation of human during manipulation
- Vicon Tracking System



PbD-Dome



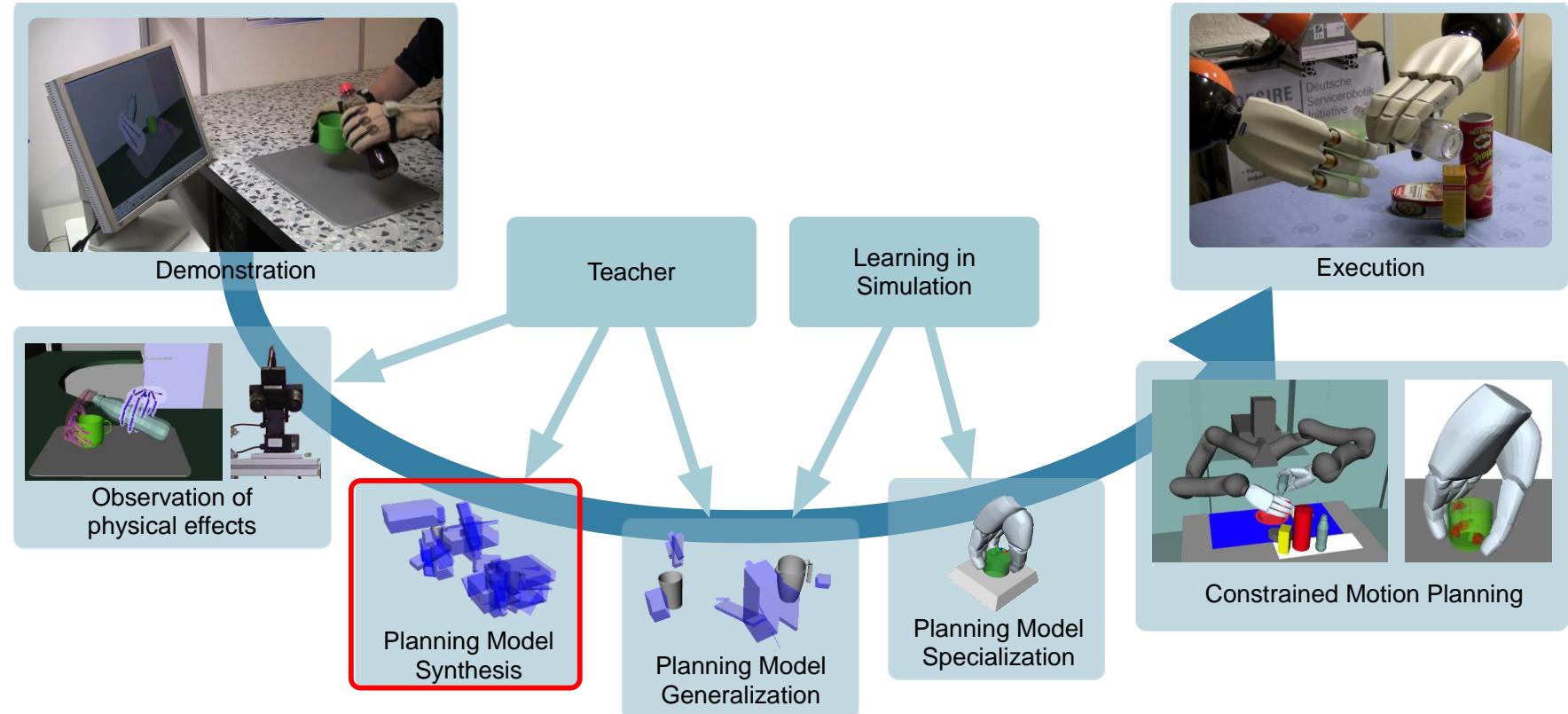
Object Modeling Center



Vicon Tracking System

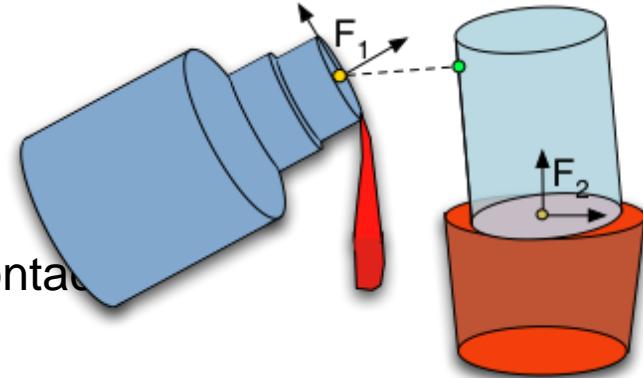
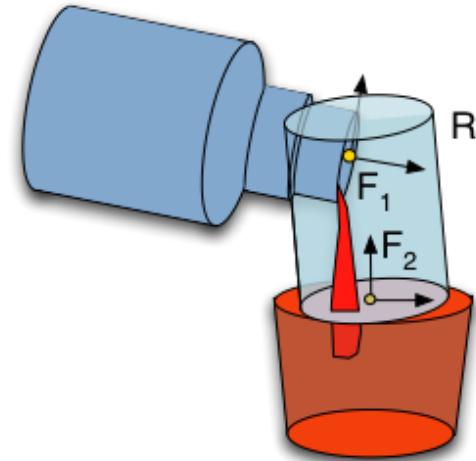
Zyklus – Programmieren durch Vormachen

■ PbD-process schema



Constraint Representation

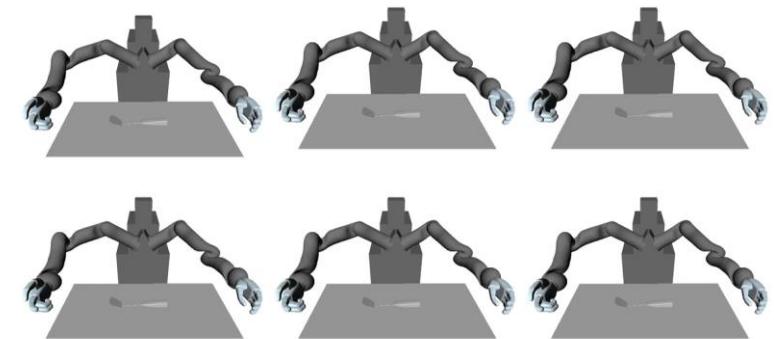
- Definition: position constraint
 - Parameters: coordinate frames F_1 , F_2 , region R
 - Distance
 - F_1 is transformed into F_2 : ${}^2F_1 = F_2^{-1} F_1$
 - Euclidean distance of 2F_1 to R
 - Random sampling
 - Draw random sample r from R
 - Transformation of r into F_1 using $F_2 \cdot r$
 - Learning
 - For each training data θ_i :
 $F_1(\theta_i)$ is transformed into $F_2(\theta_i)$: ${}^2F_1(\theta_i)$
 - Generate parameters of R : $\forall i: {}^2F_1(\theta_i) \in R$
- Other constraints
 - Orientation, direction, force, momentum, contact
 - Compliance, spatial relations, time,...
- Implemented region types
 - cube-, cylinder-, sphere-, cone-sector, GMMs, convex hull



Bewegungsbeispiele



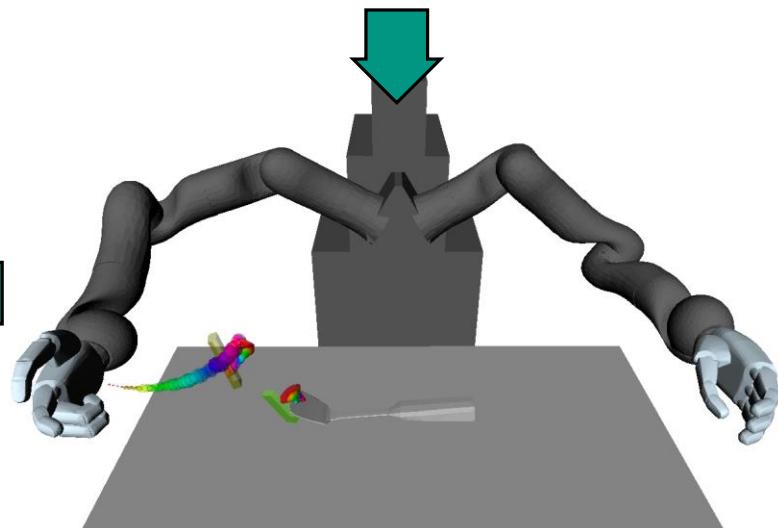
Human demonstrations



(Semi-)Automatic constraint selection



Execution using 2D-vision to localize objects

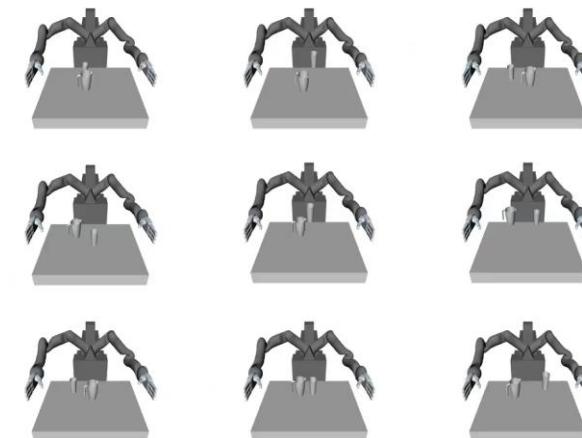


Automatic constraint optimization

Motions: Automatic model refinement II

■ Results

- 2 Robots, 8 Manipulation tasks
- 34 CPU cores
- Planning with/o dynamics simulation
- Generalization: 91%
- Constraint reduction: 47%
- Optimization time: up to 4h

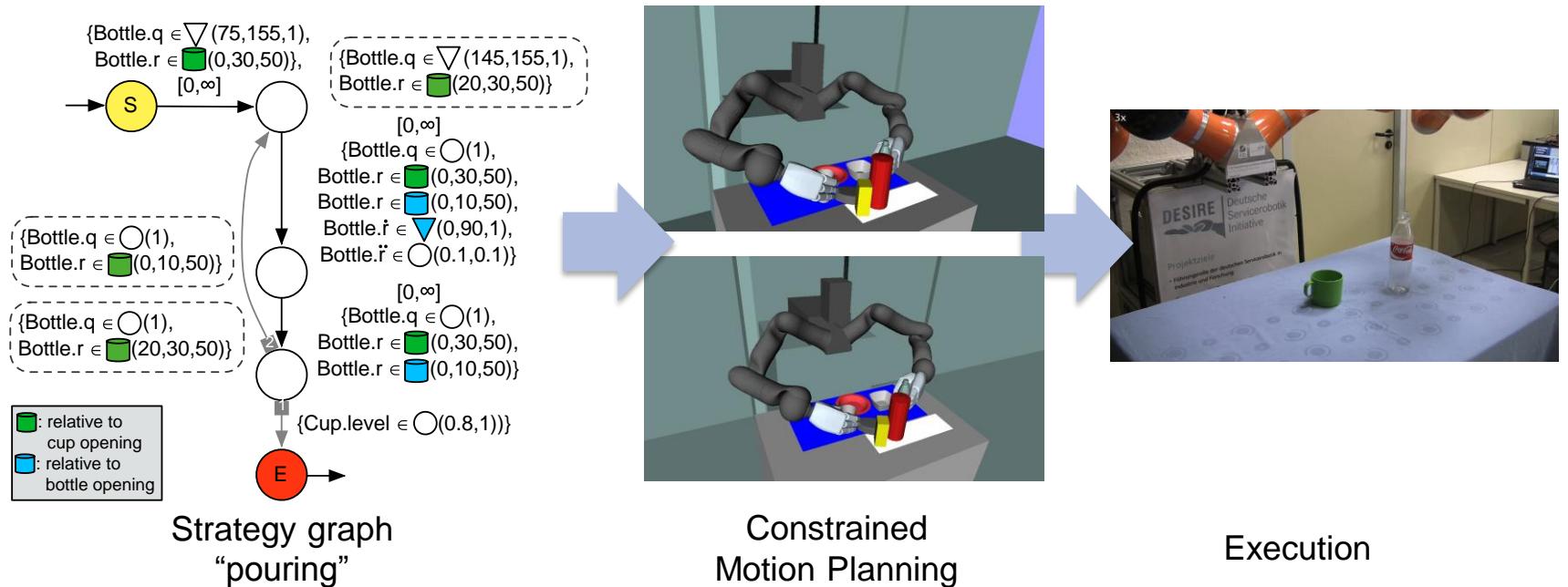


Parallelized Optimization („pour in“)

Task	Constraints (before)	Constraints (after)	Training data	Test data	Success
Flasche in Kühlschrank	5	2	2	10 (3)	100
Zweihändiges Einschenken	174	60	2	15 (3)	67
Flasche in Kiste	15	13	3	20 (4)	100
Taste auf Tastatur drücken	362	28	3	15 (3)	100
Tasse auf Untertasse	26	15	4	24 (6)	88
Löffel anheben	140	55	1	100 (2)	84
Zudrehen einer Flasche	16	8	1	20 (4)	90
Stuhl anheben	12	6	1	10 (3)	100

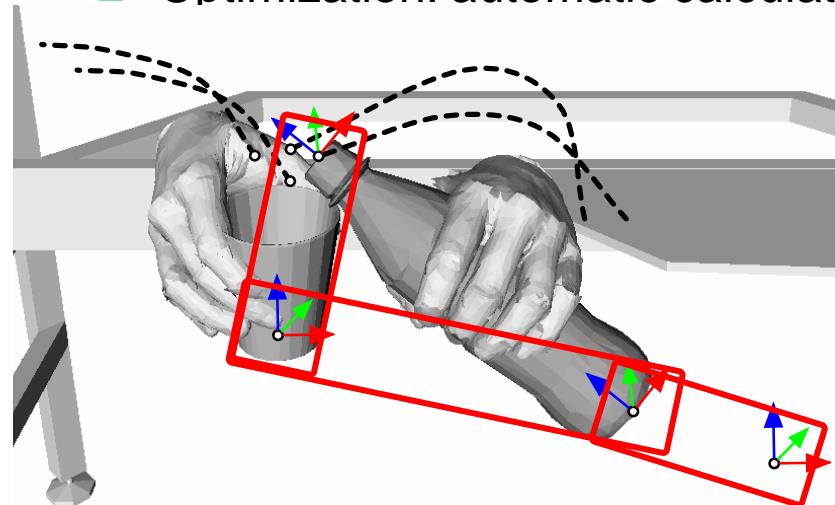
Strategy Learning

- Qualitative description based on domain constraints
- Generalisation and mapping
 - flexible representation of the search space for low-level planning
 - search space automatically adapts to obstacles and objects
- Full exploitation of robot capabilities



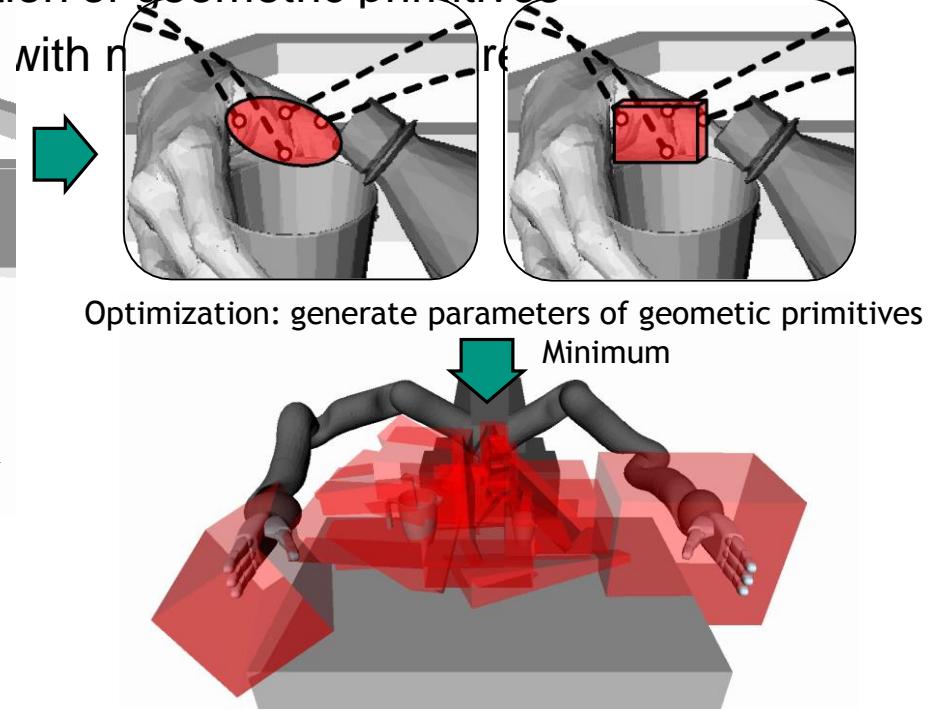
Motions: Preliminary Model generation

- Automatic generation of constraints
 - Basis: Combinations of coordinate systems (fingers, hands, detected objects)
 - Examples: Bottle opening relative to cup, bottle bottom relative to table
 - Optimization: automatic calculation of geometric primitives



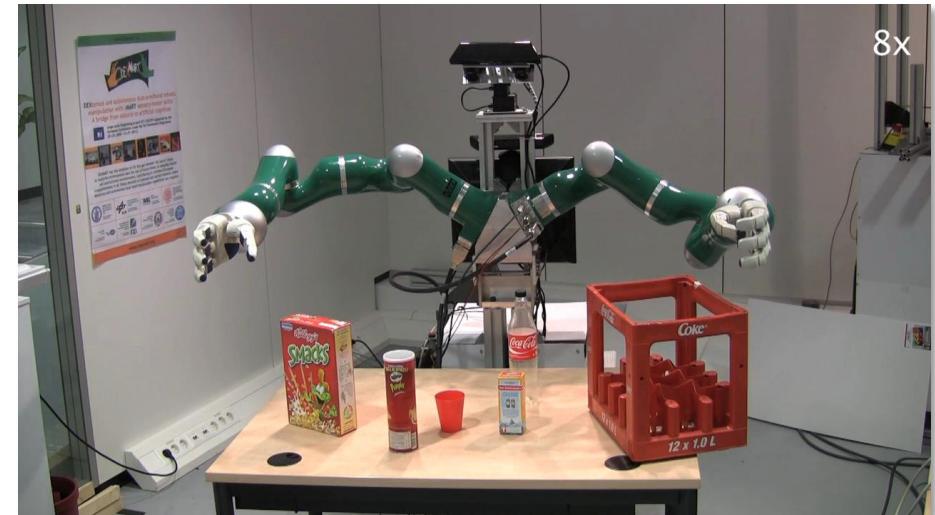
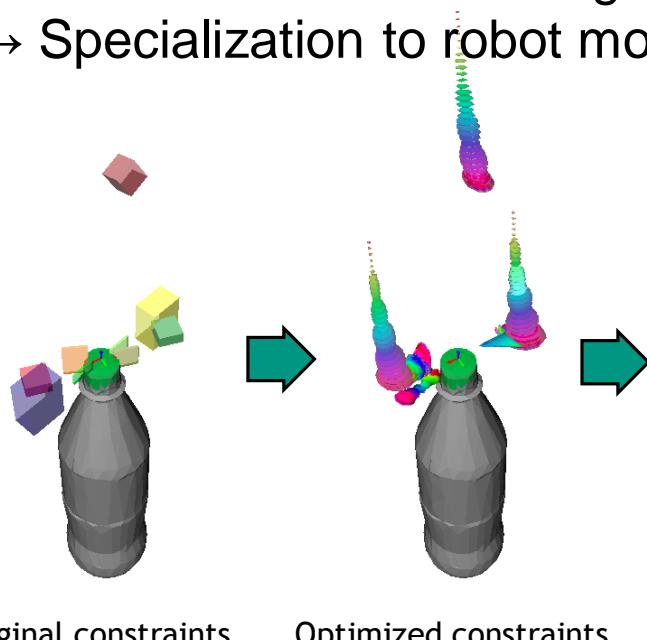
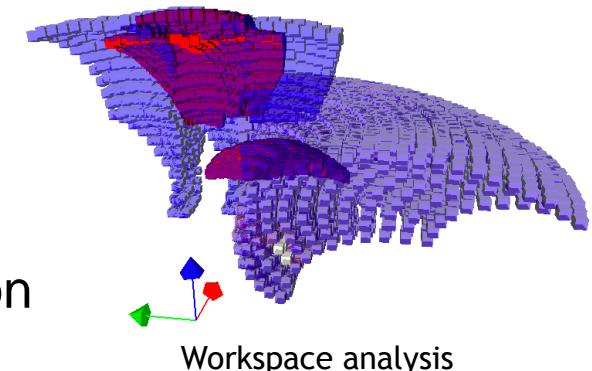
Position: Bottle opening relative to cup
 Position: Bottle bottom relative to cup
 Position: Bottle bottom relative to table

Multiple human demonstrations



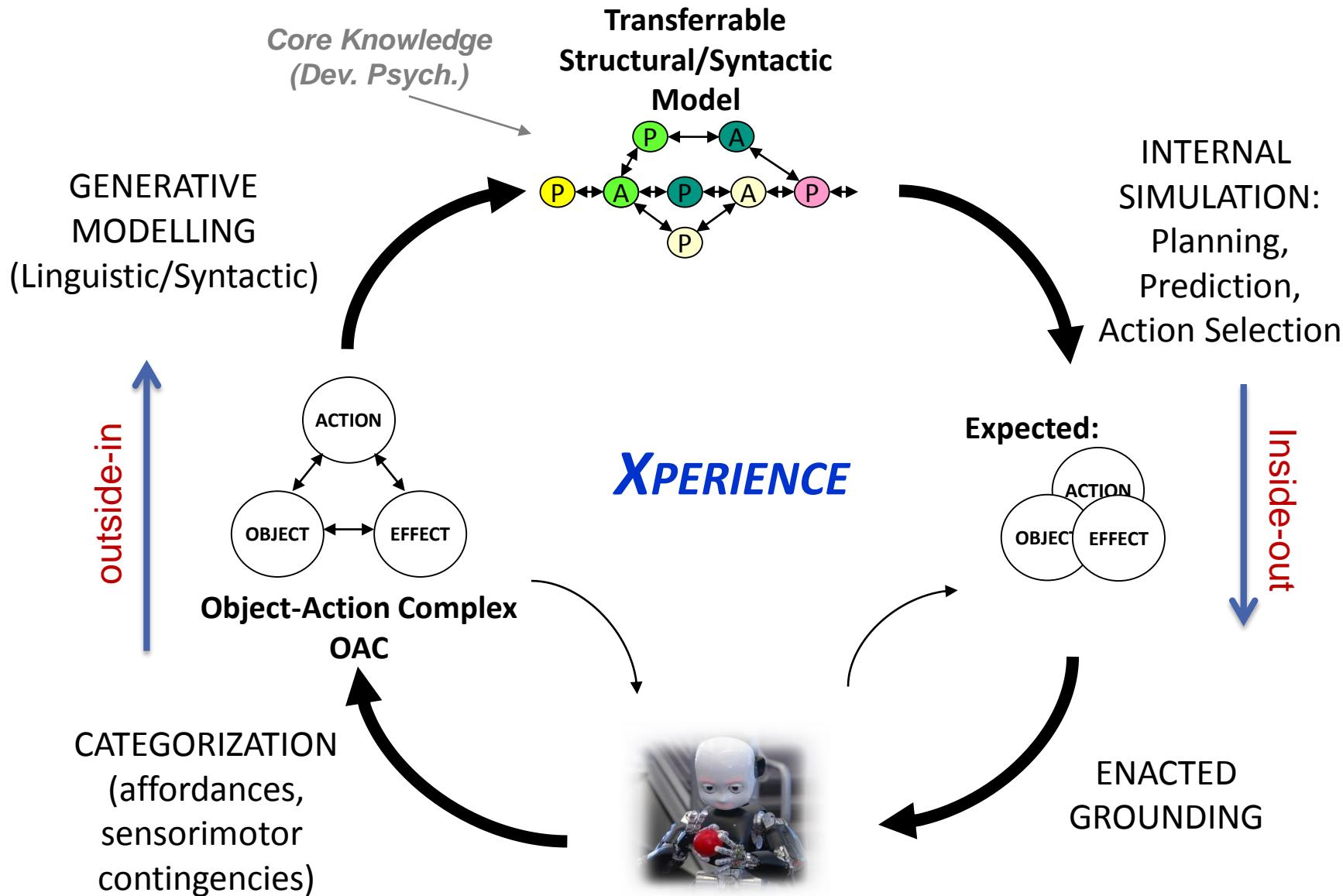
Motions: Correspondence Problem

- Correspondence Problem: „How to consider differences in morphology of human and robot?“ [Skoglund09]
- Relaxation of finger and hand constraints based on workspace differences
- Constraint refinement using cycle-time reduction
→ Specialization to robot morphology



Reduced time to generate complex motions

Ansatz zu generativen Lernzyklen



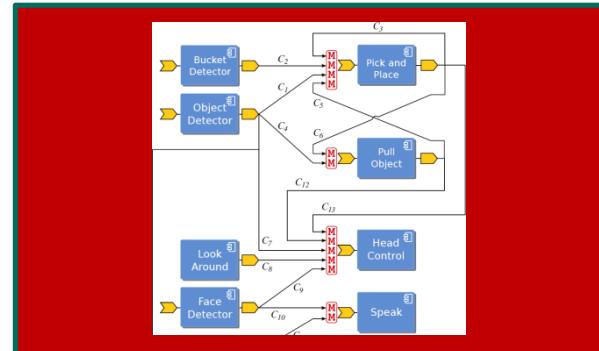
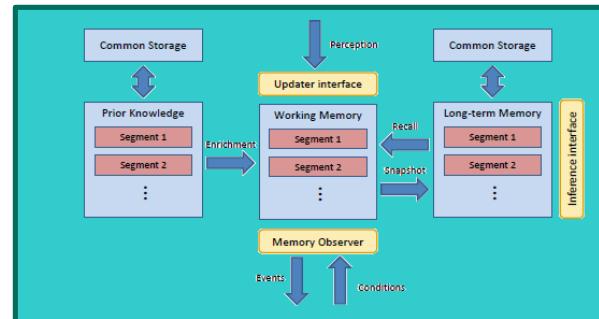
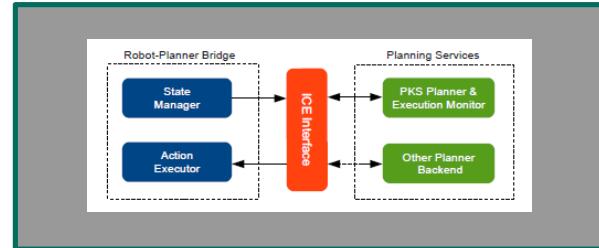
Kognitive Systemarchitektur

- The Xperience cognitive system architecture

- Planning level
- Mid-level (memory)
- Behavior level

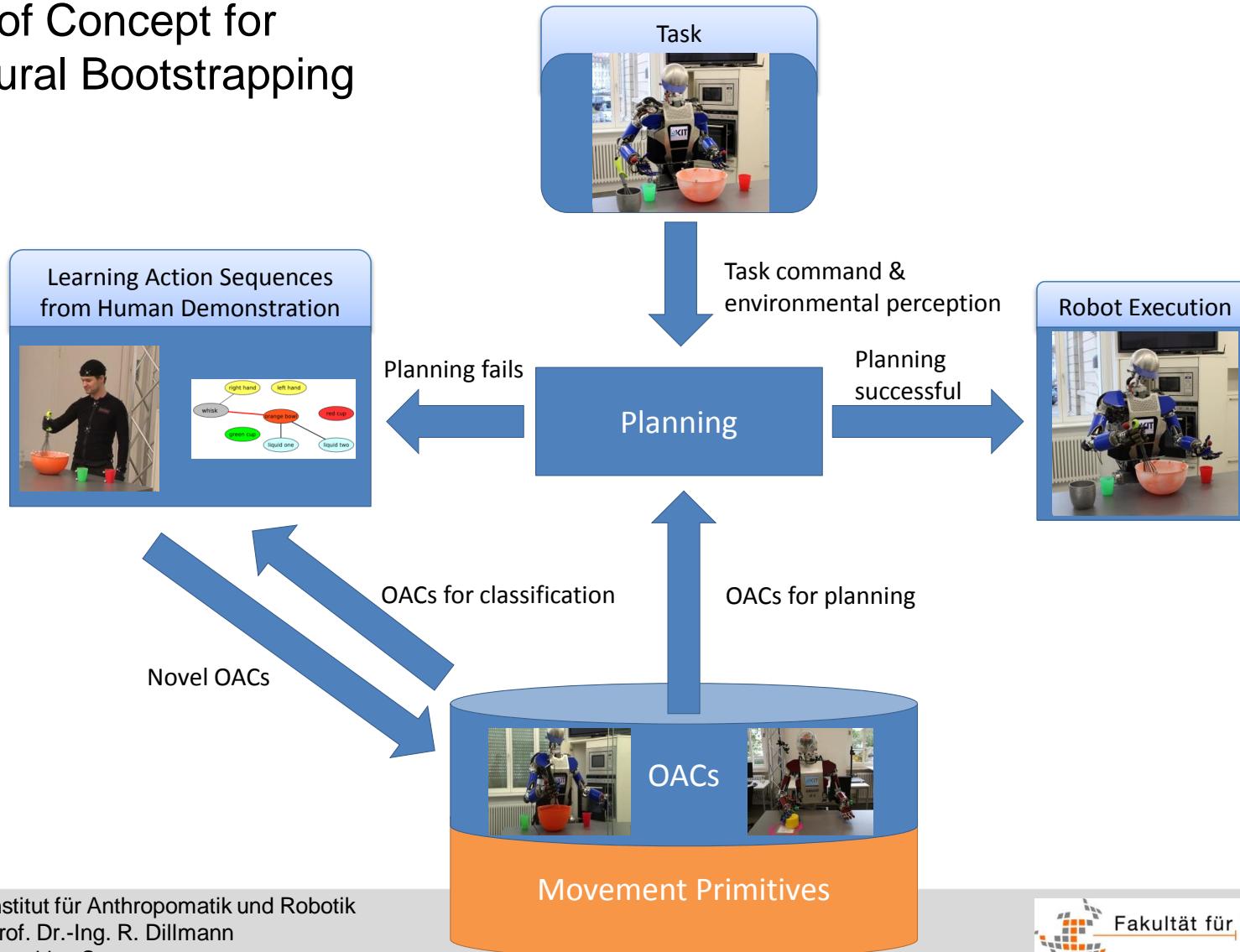
- Bootstrapping examples on all levels utilize grammatical correlations

- Benchmarking



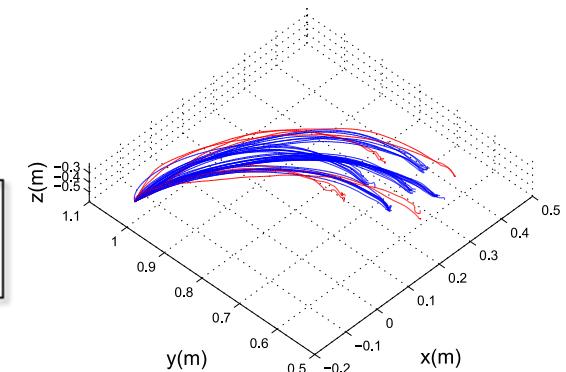
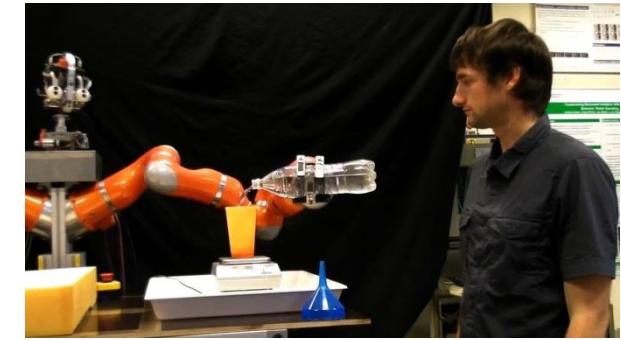
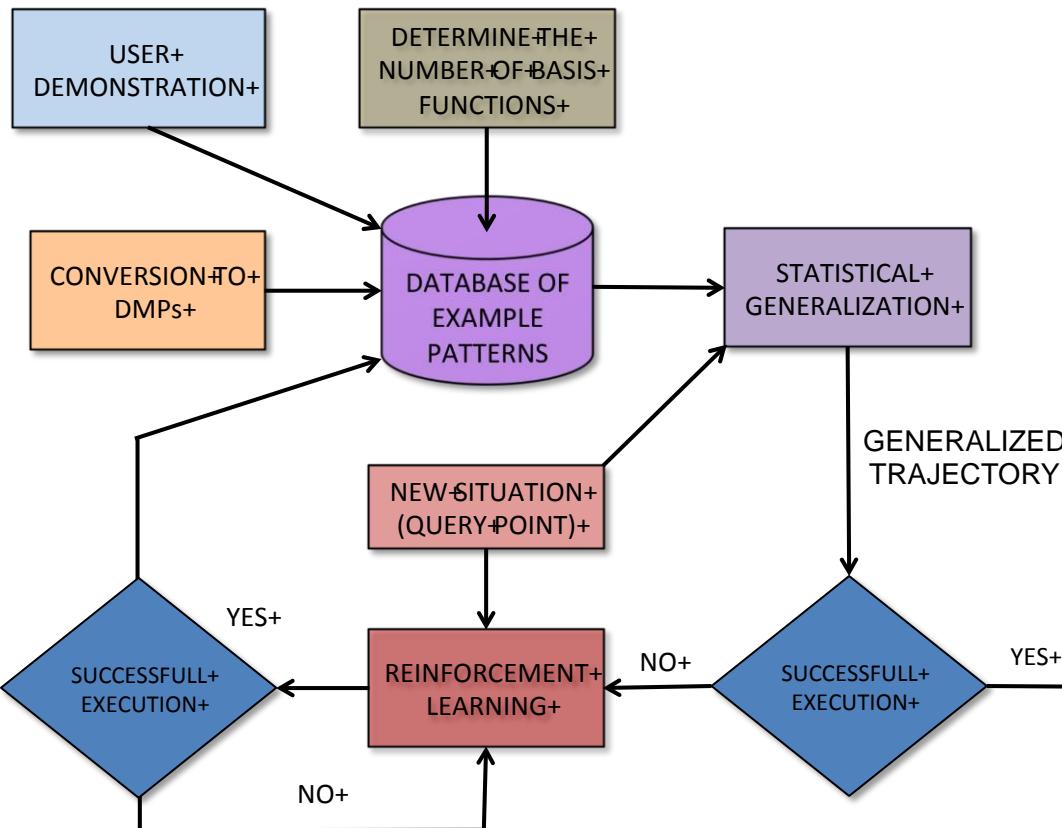
Struktural Bootstrapping von OACs

Proof of Concept for Structural Bootstrapping



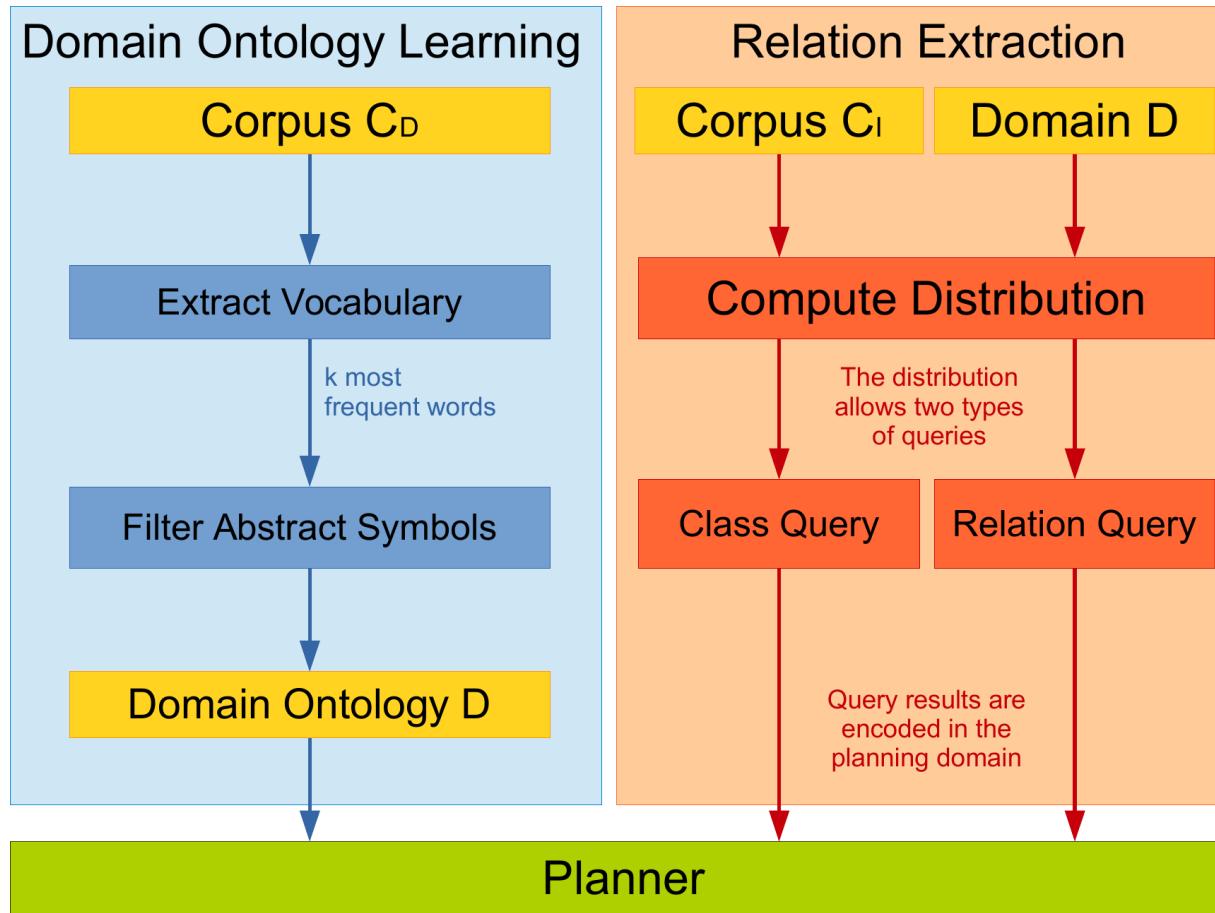
Autonomes Lernen von Skills

Autonomous skill learning by imitation and reinforcement learning



Lernen von Ontologien und Relationen

Learning common sense knowledge for planning



Forschungsfelder im Human Brain Project

Neuroscience

Integrate what we know about the brain and neural connectivity into computer models and simulations

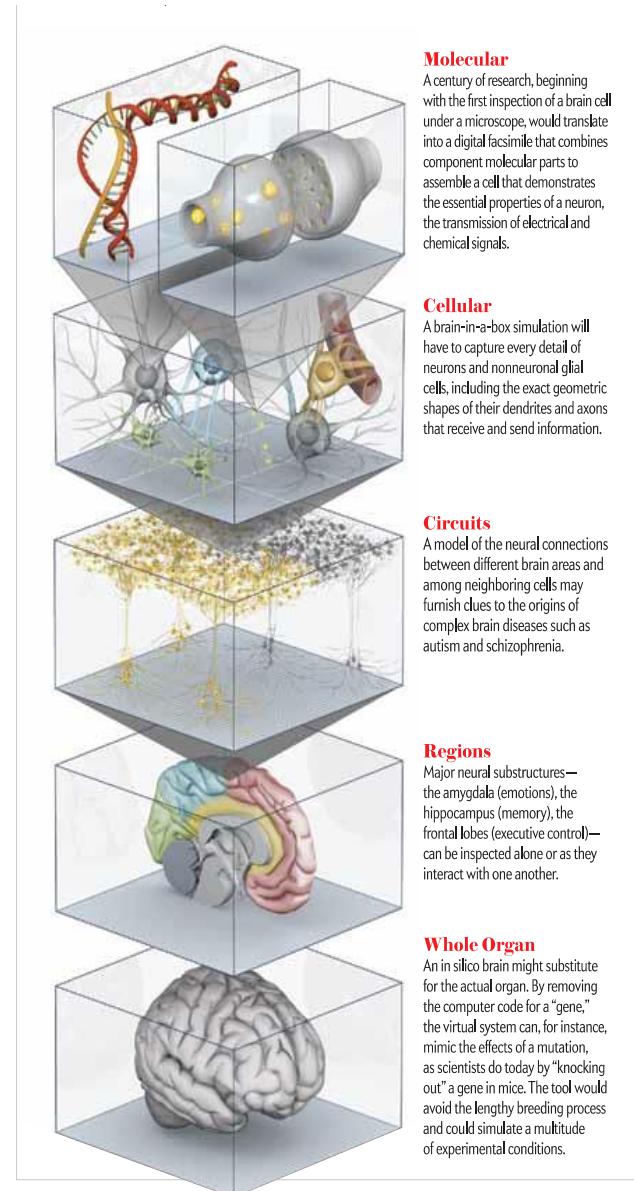
Medicine

*Contribute to *understanding, diagnosing and treating* diseases of the brain*

Computing

Learn from the brain how to build future supercomputers and robots of tomorrow

➤ Virtualization of Brain and Robot Control Functionality: Neuro-Robotics



Molecular

A century of research, beginning with the first inspection of a brain cell under a microscope, would translate into a digital facsimile that combines component molecular parts to assemble a cell that demonstrates the essential properties of a neuron, the transmission of electrical and chemical signals.

Cellular

A brain-in-a-box simulation will have to capture every detail of neurons and nonneuronal glial cells, including the exact geometric shapes of their dendrites and axons that receive and send information.

Circuits

A model of the neural connections between different brain areas and among neighboring cells may furnish clues to the origins of complex brain diseases such as autism and schizophrenia.

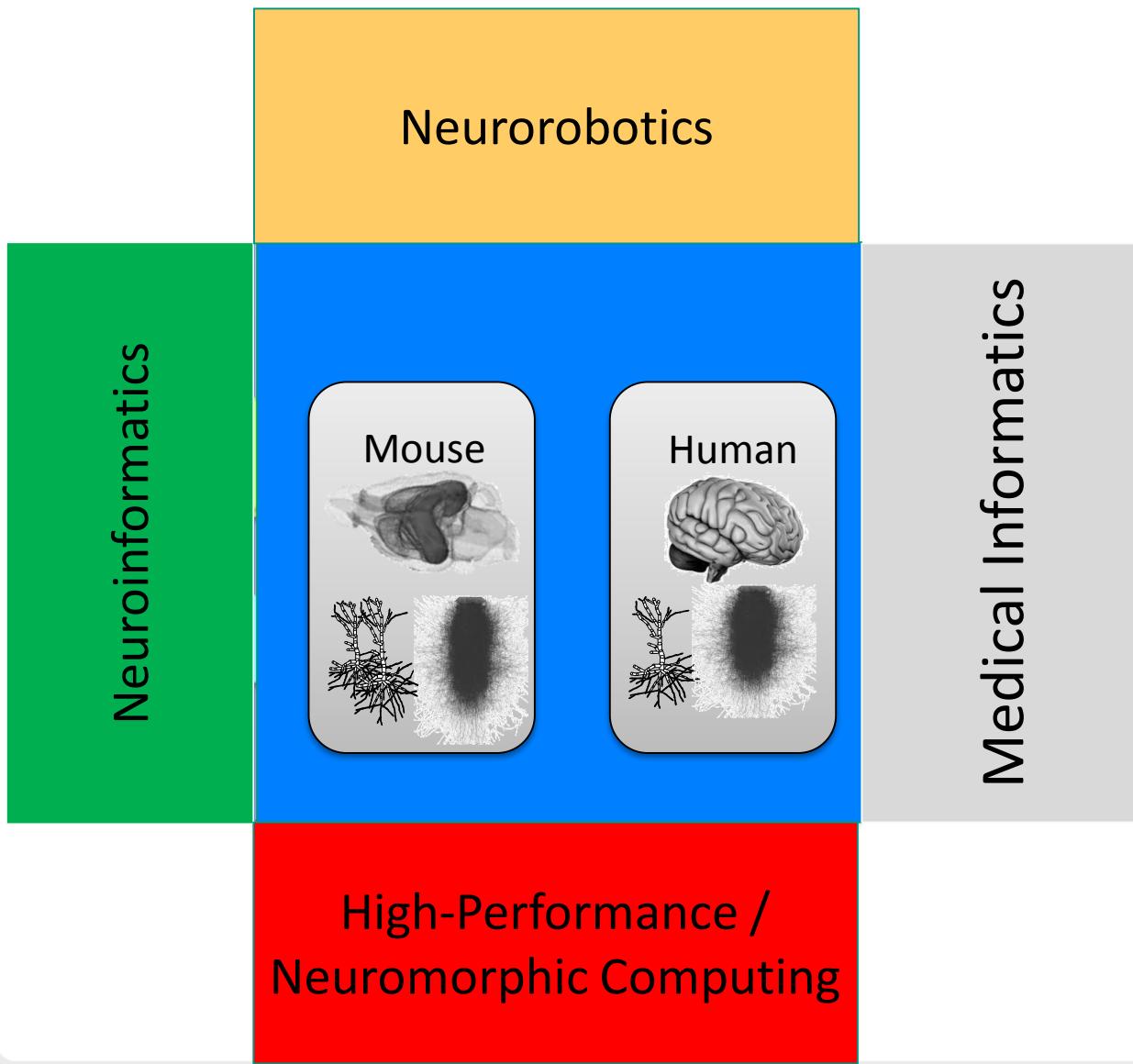
Regions

Major neural substructures—the amygdala (emotions), the hippocampus (memory), the frontal lobes (executive control)—can be inspected alone or as they interact with one another.

Whole Organ

An *in silico* brain might substitute for the actual organ. By removing the computer code for a “gene,” the virtual system can, for instance, mimic the effects of a mutation, as scientists do today by “knocking out” a gene in mice. The tool would avoid the lengthy breeding process and could simulate a multitude of experimental conditions.

Platforms and Research areas in the HBP KIT



Neurorobotics: testing brain models and simulations in virtual environments

Neuroinformatics: a data repository, including brain atlases

Brain Simulation: building ICT models and simulations of brains and brain components

Neuromorphic Computing: ICT that mimics the functioning of the brain

High Performance Computing: hardware and software to support the other Platforms

Medical Informatics: bringing together information on brain diseases

Vision of Neurorobotics

Robotics

- Apply findings and effective mechanisms from neuro-science
- Overcome limitations of standard control architectures towards higher adaptivity and behavior
- Use neuromorphic hardware for robot control tasks

Neuro-Science

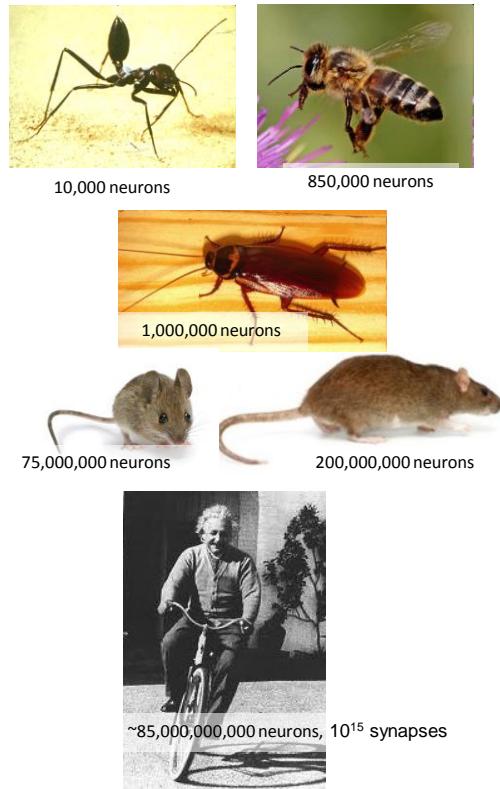
- Use robots as a tool for testing hypotheses
- Full observability of brain models during robot interaction with the real environment

Learning

- Use of robotic embodiment to study and develop neuro-biological models of learning
- Implement virtual brains with the desired behavior

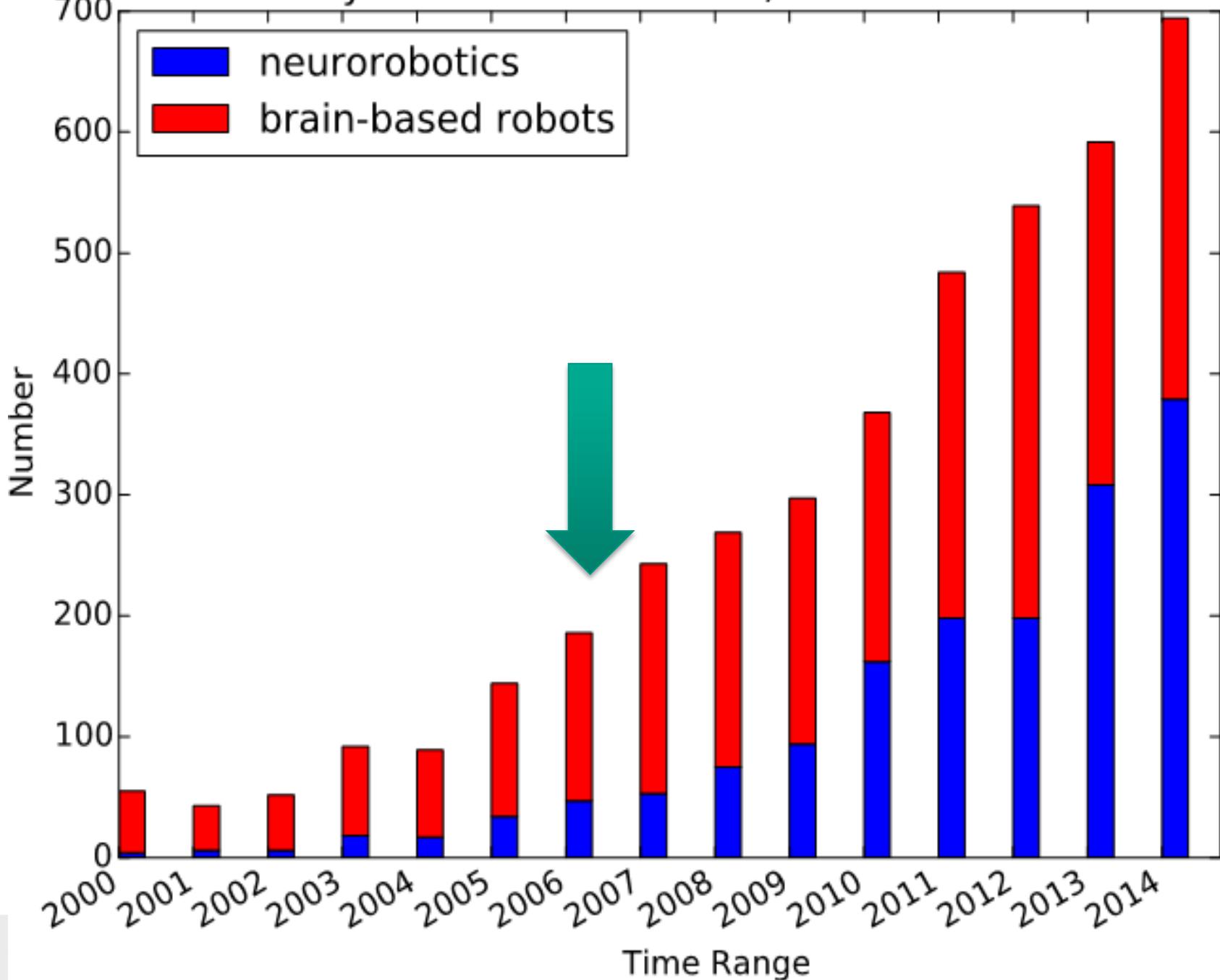
Ziel: Experimentelle Verifikation und konkrete Systementwicklung

Why Linking Brains to Robots?

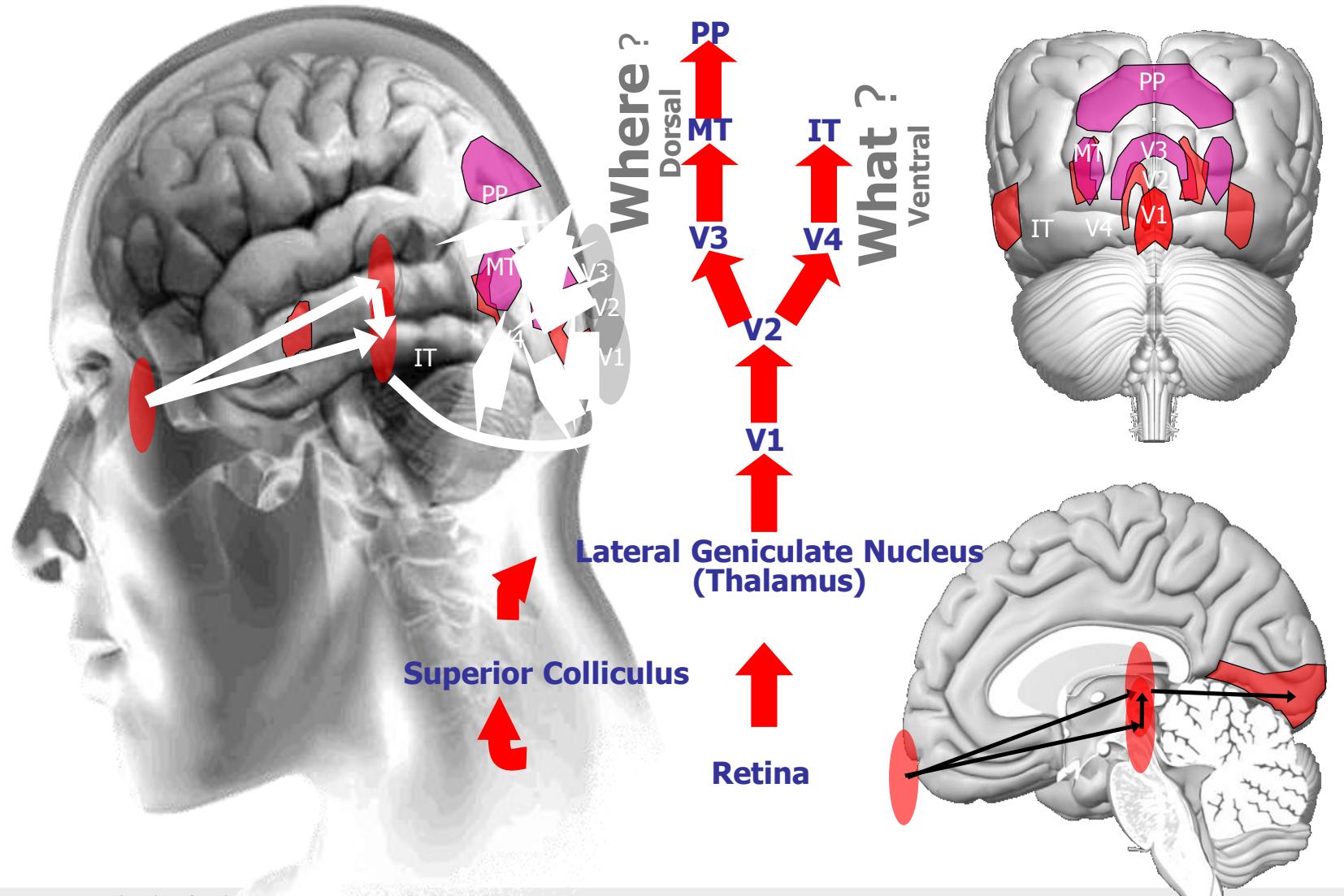


- Algorithms are **embedded** in hardware
- Sensors and effectors operate in **real-time**
- The brain is **massively parallel**, but does not suffer from the problems of parallel computing: dead-locks, non-determinism, race-conditions, ...
- ... and decomposition into parallel tasks is **self-organized/evolved**
- Architecture is **scalable** from thousands to billions of “processors”
- Performance is **robust** – with graceful degradation
- Brains are extremely power and space **efficient** (“peta-flop computer on 20 Watt”)
- Calls for a “neurorobotics approach”

Keywords: neurorobotics; brain-based robots



Visuelle Sehnervpfade und ihre Verbindung mit dem Bewegungsapparat



Ansatz: Werkzeuge und Methoden



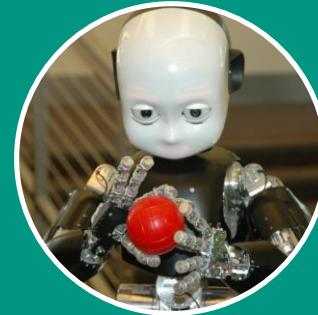
**Observing
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of biologic
bodies**



**Simulation of
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**Simulation of
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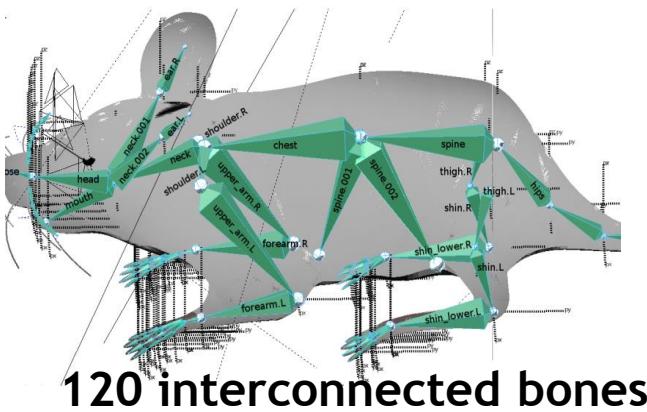


**Real robots
for
experiments**

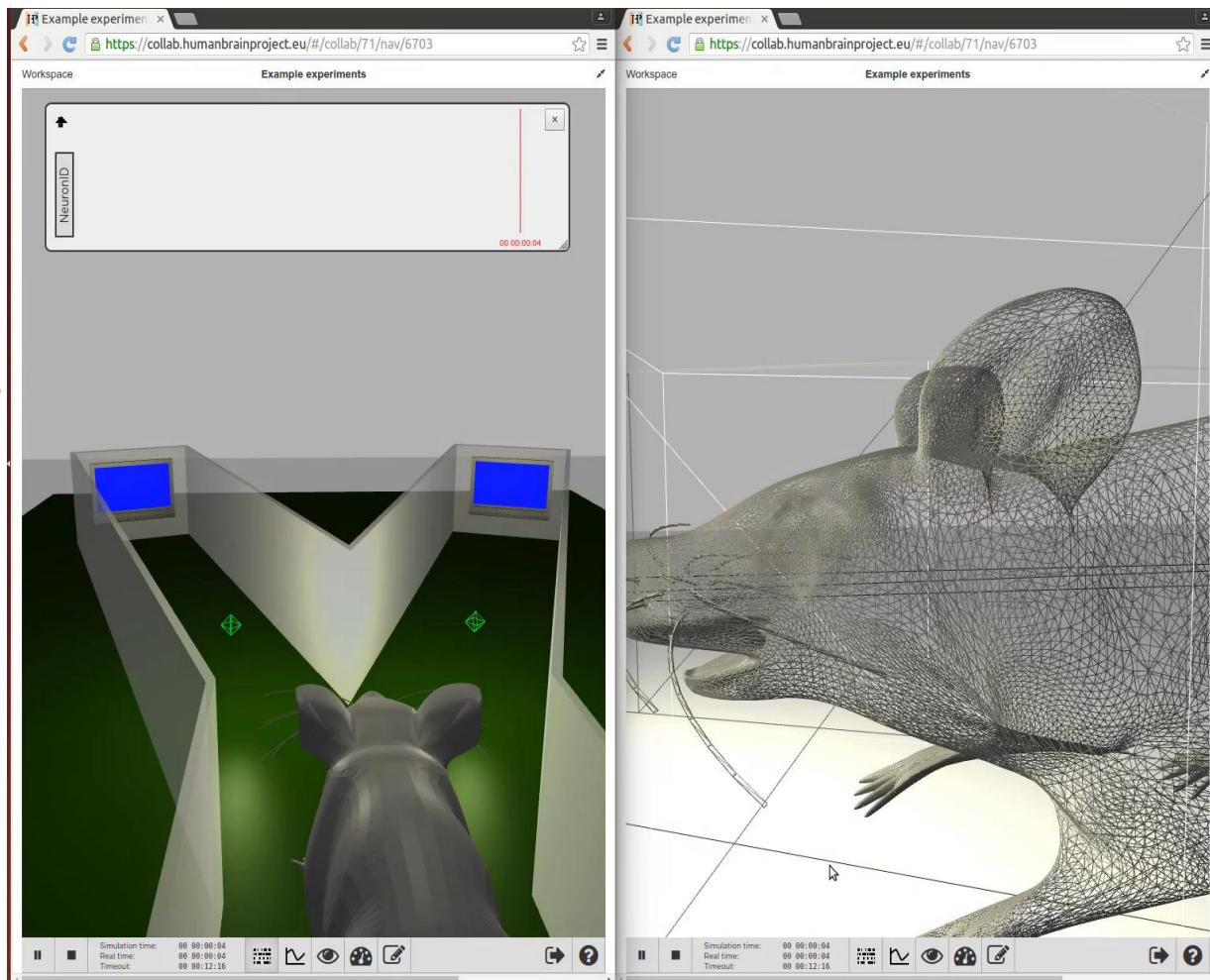
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Mouse Experiment

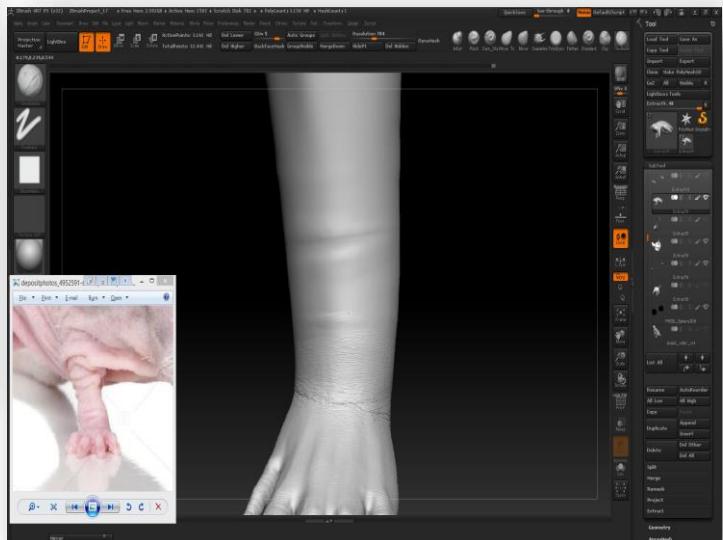
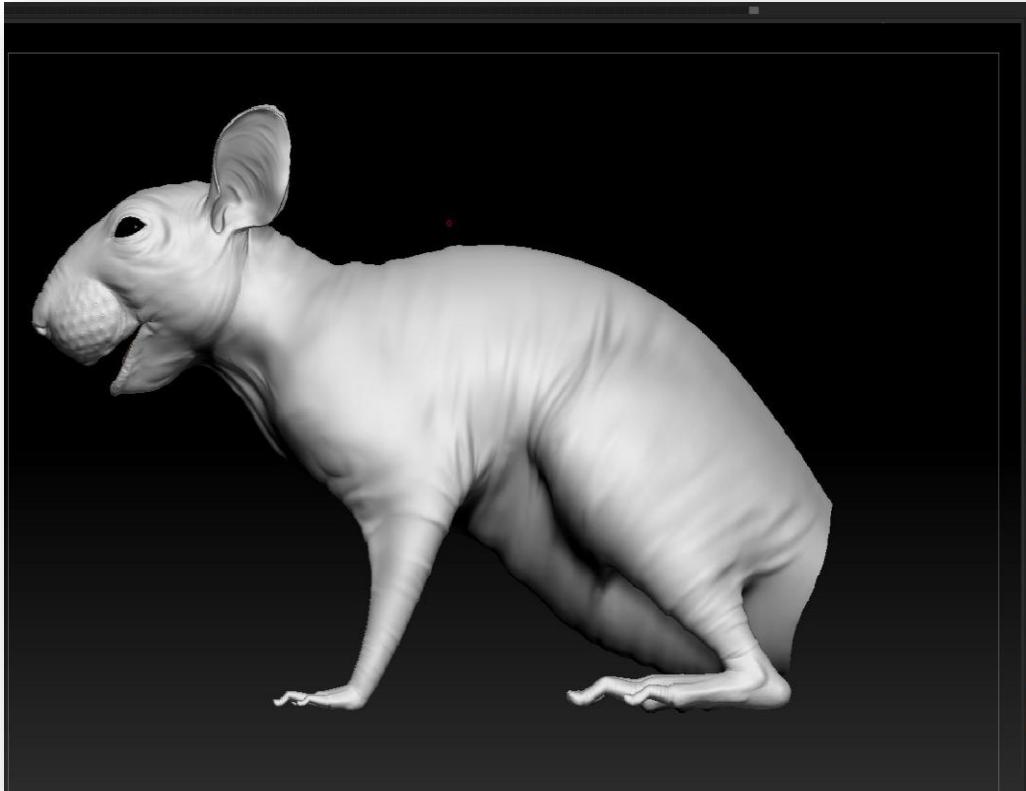


- A mouse model featuring rigging, i.e. deformation of the surface triangles, based on bone movements
- The skin deforms when the mouse turns the head.



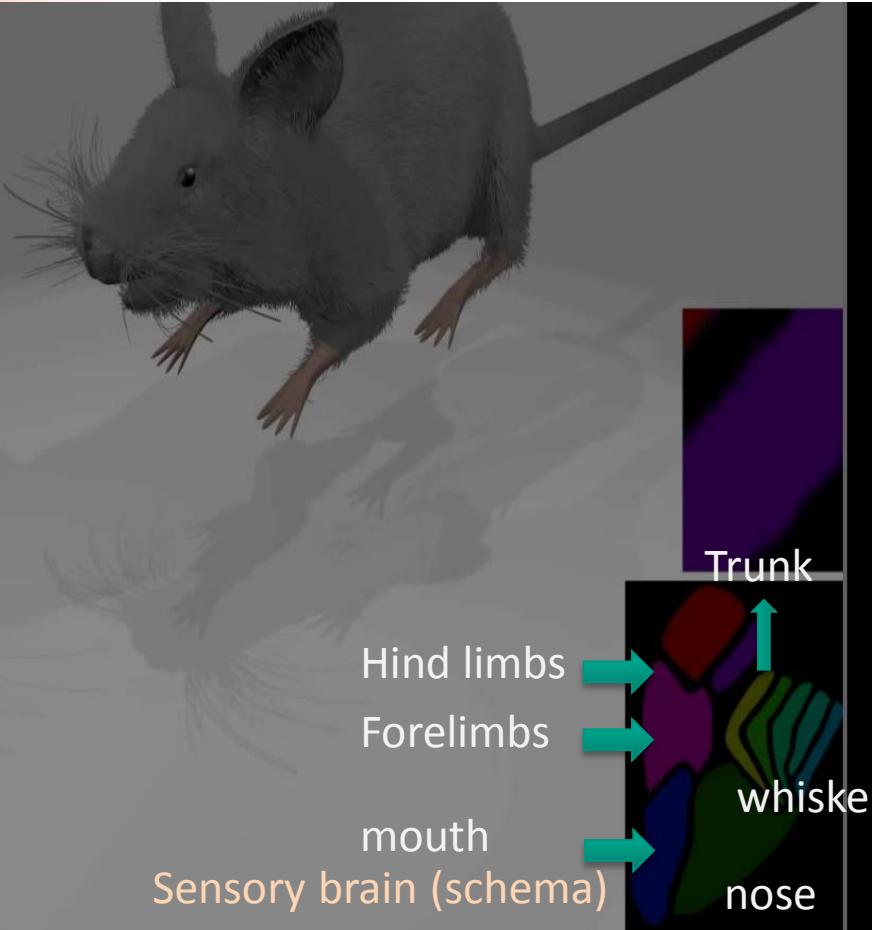
Detailed surface model with 135588 triangles

Rodent body model

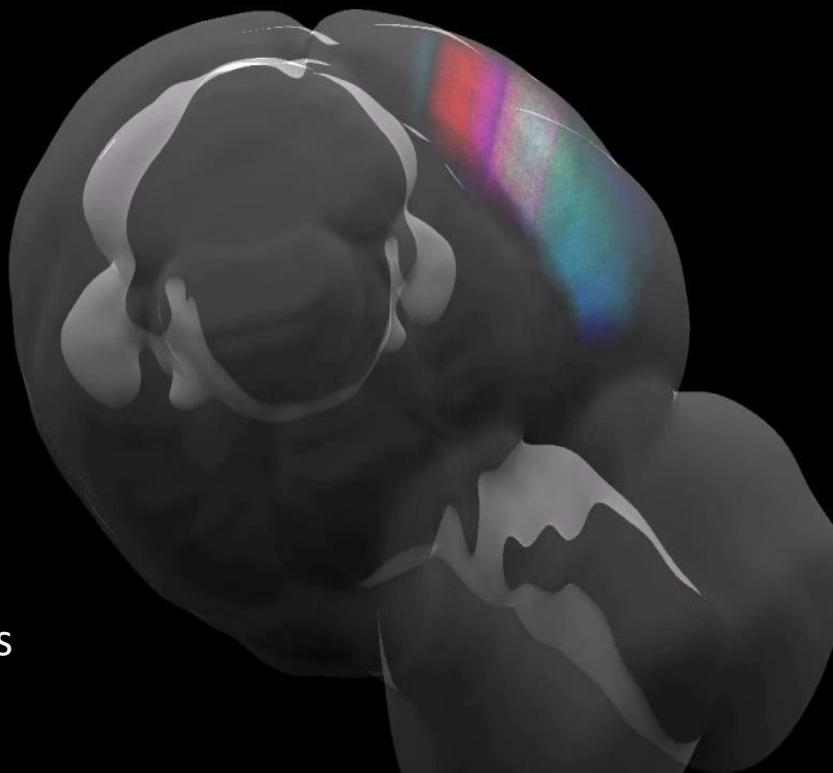


Experiment: Mapping touch to the sensory cortex

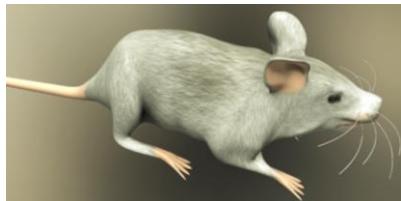
Mouse body



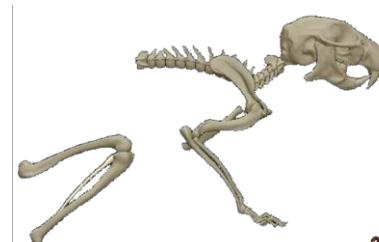
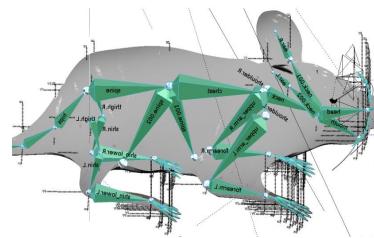
Simulated activation of S1 with tactile stimulation



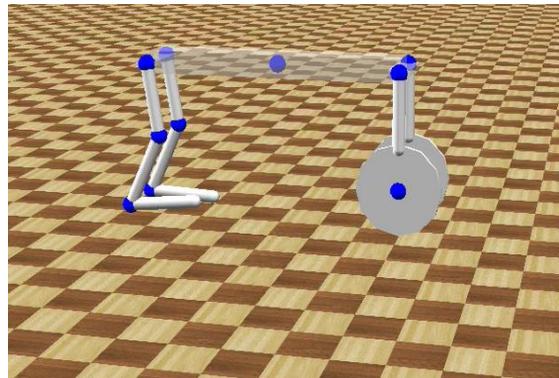
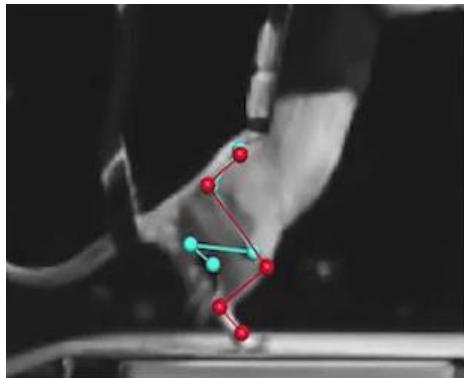
Status quo: virtual mouse



Moby mouse atlas



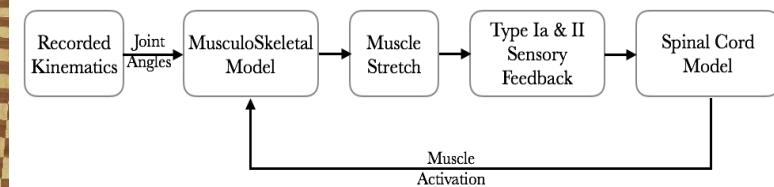
Hi-Fi 3D Model (in progress)



Original ad-hoc model of mouse with skeleton

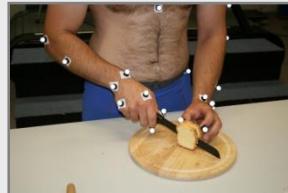
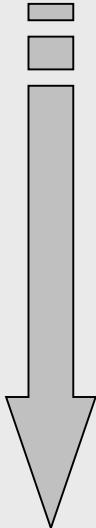
Improved skeleton model, based on MRI reconstructions

Neuro-musculoskeletal model based on kinematic data

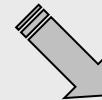


Capture of Human Movement and Interaction

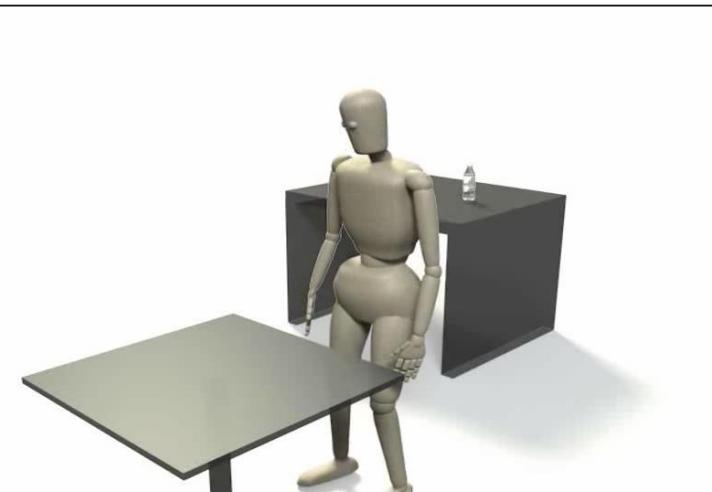
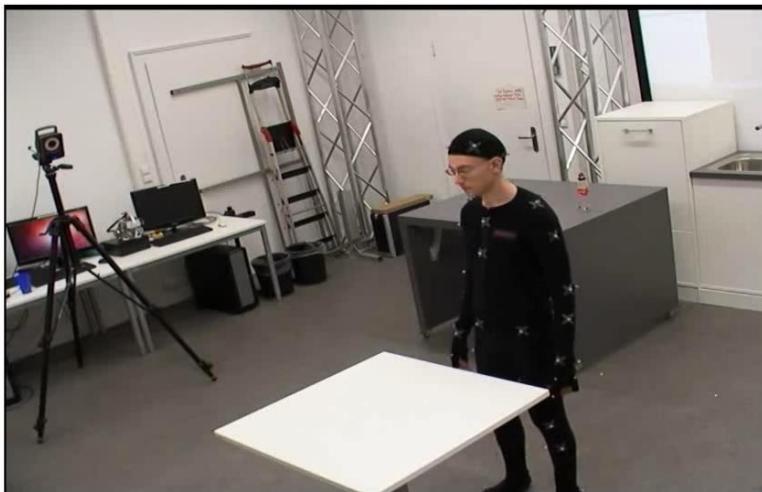
Sequential Motion



Parallel and coordinated Motion



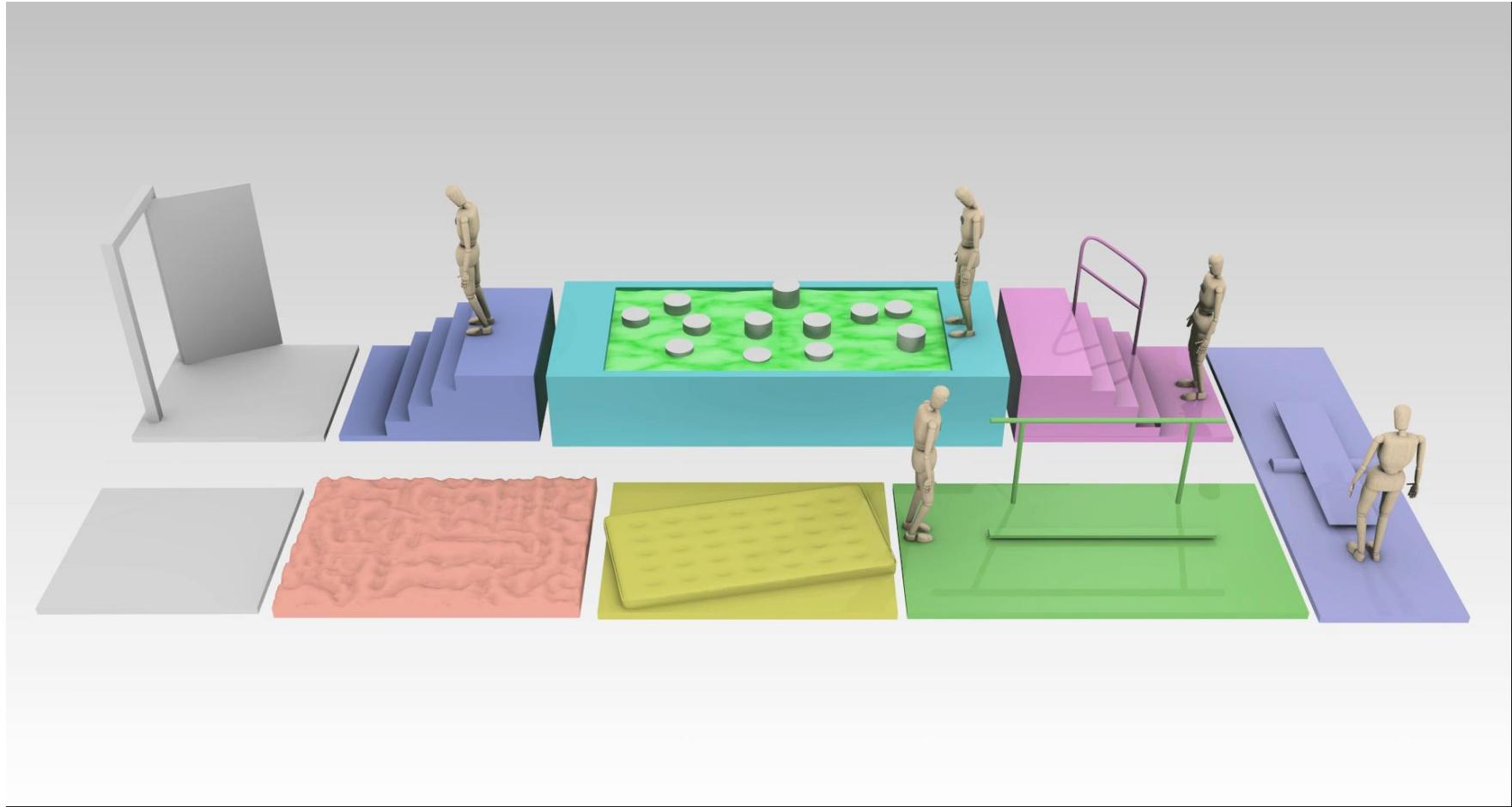
Mapping of whole-body human motion and handling of objects to avatars



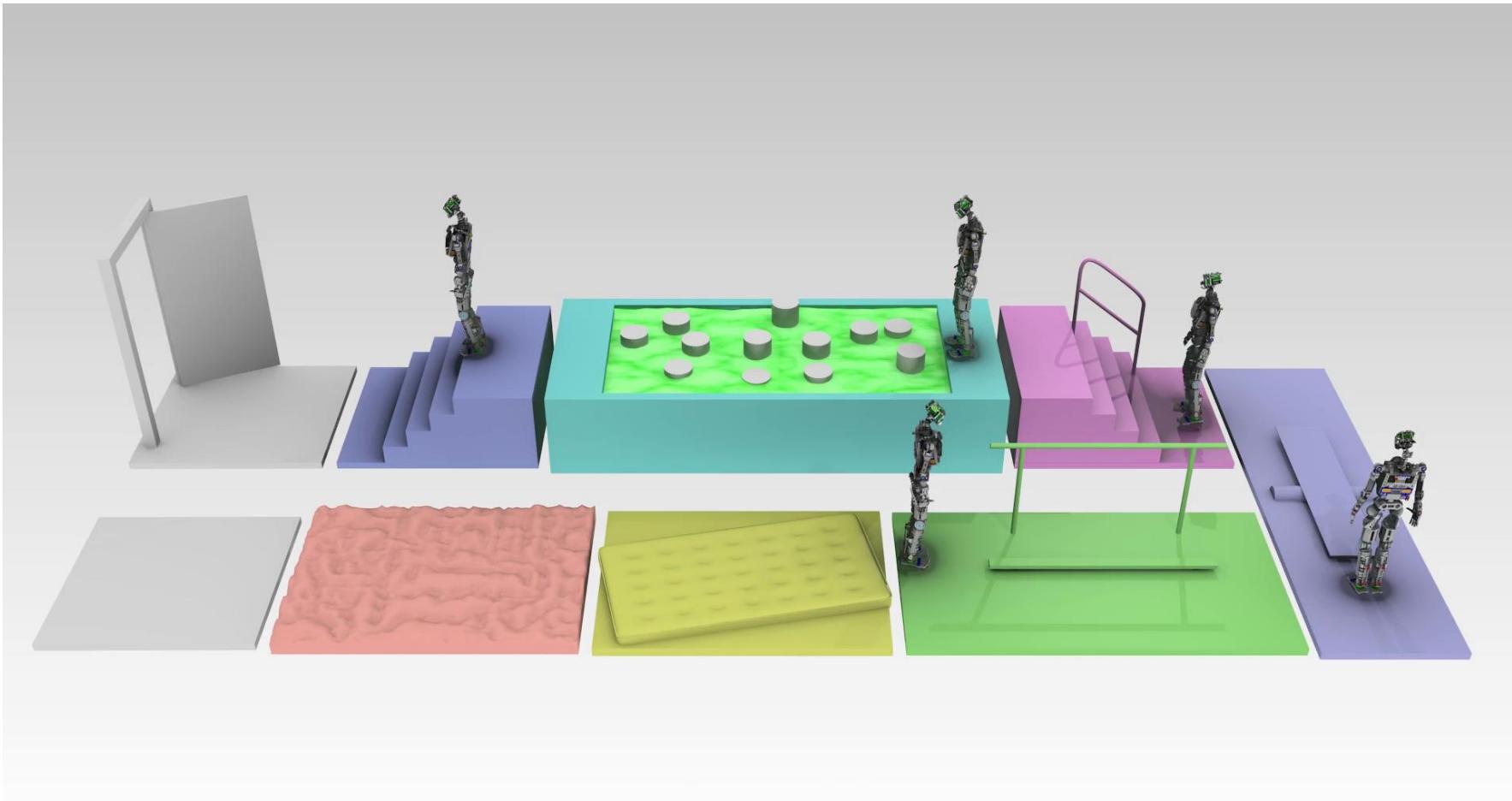
Conversion of Human and Object Motions with the MMM Framework

<https://motion-database.humanoids.kit.edu/>

Mapping Human Motion to Master-Moto-Map: MMM



MMM → ARMAR-4



Technology for Neuronal Robot Controls

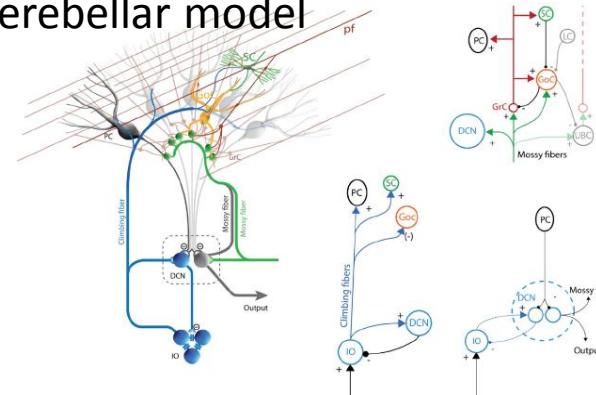
Simulated robot hand



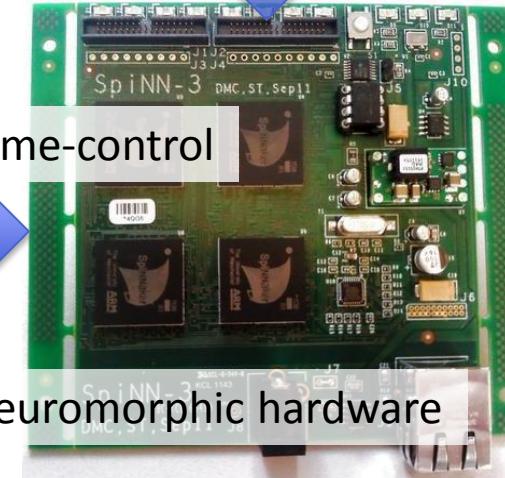
Physical robot hand



Cerebellar model

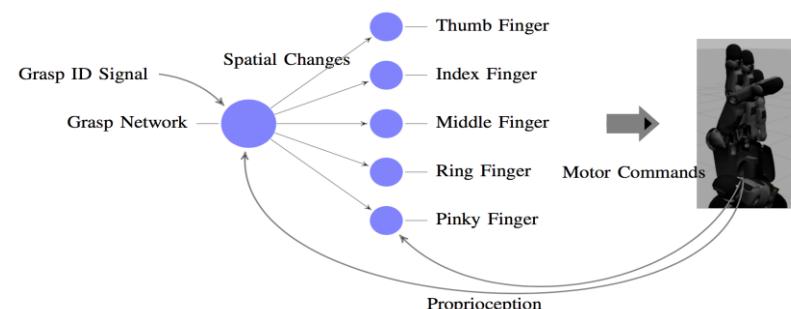
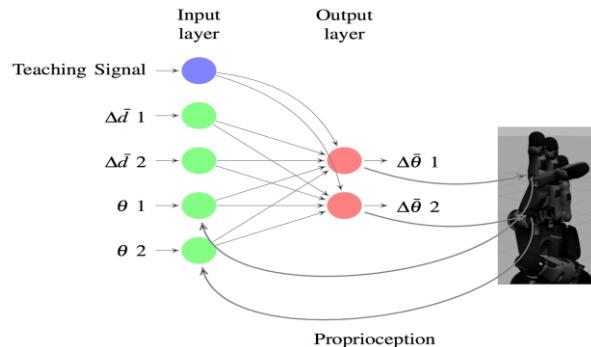


Ongoing: Realtime-control



Coordination of single finger motion

- Associative learning with STDP
- Reuse of single motions
- Hierarchical control
- Motion capture with finger tracker (LeapMotion)

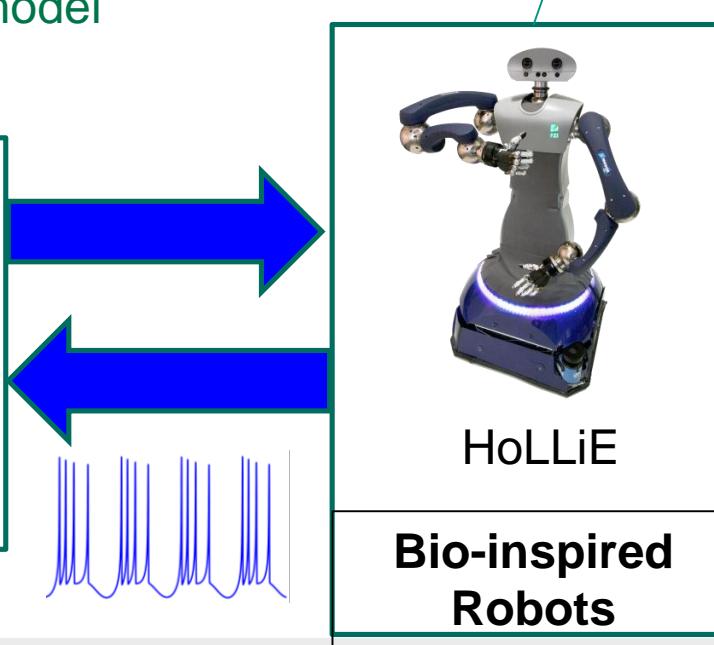
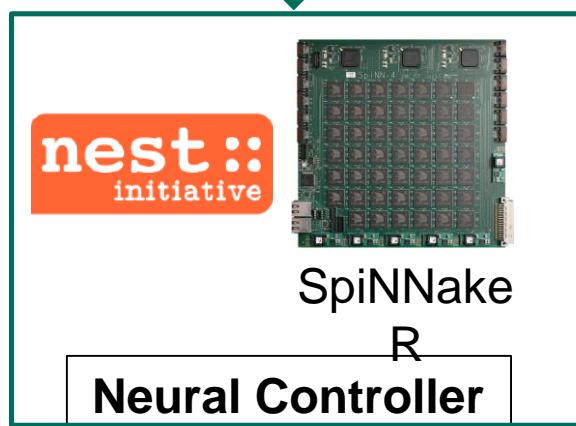
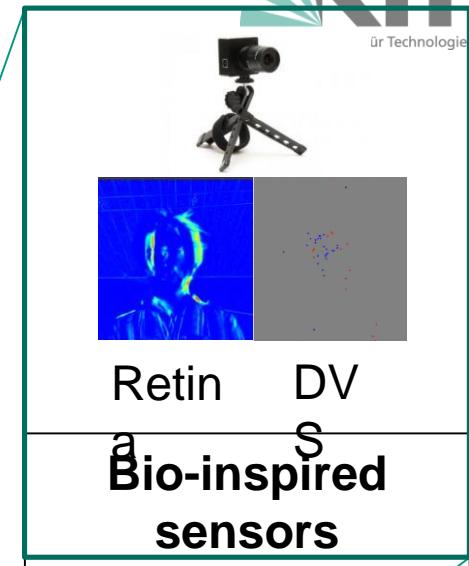
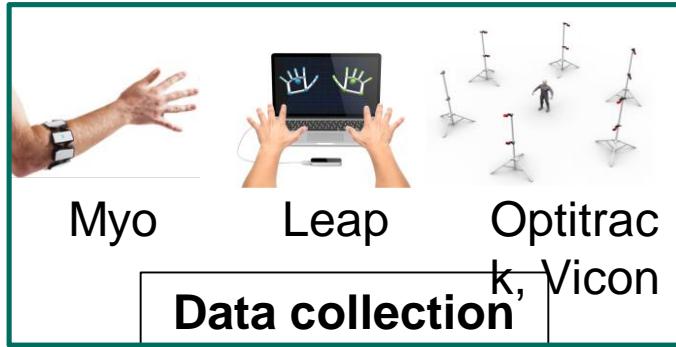


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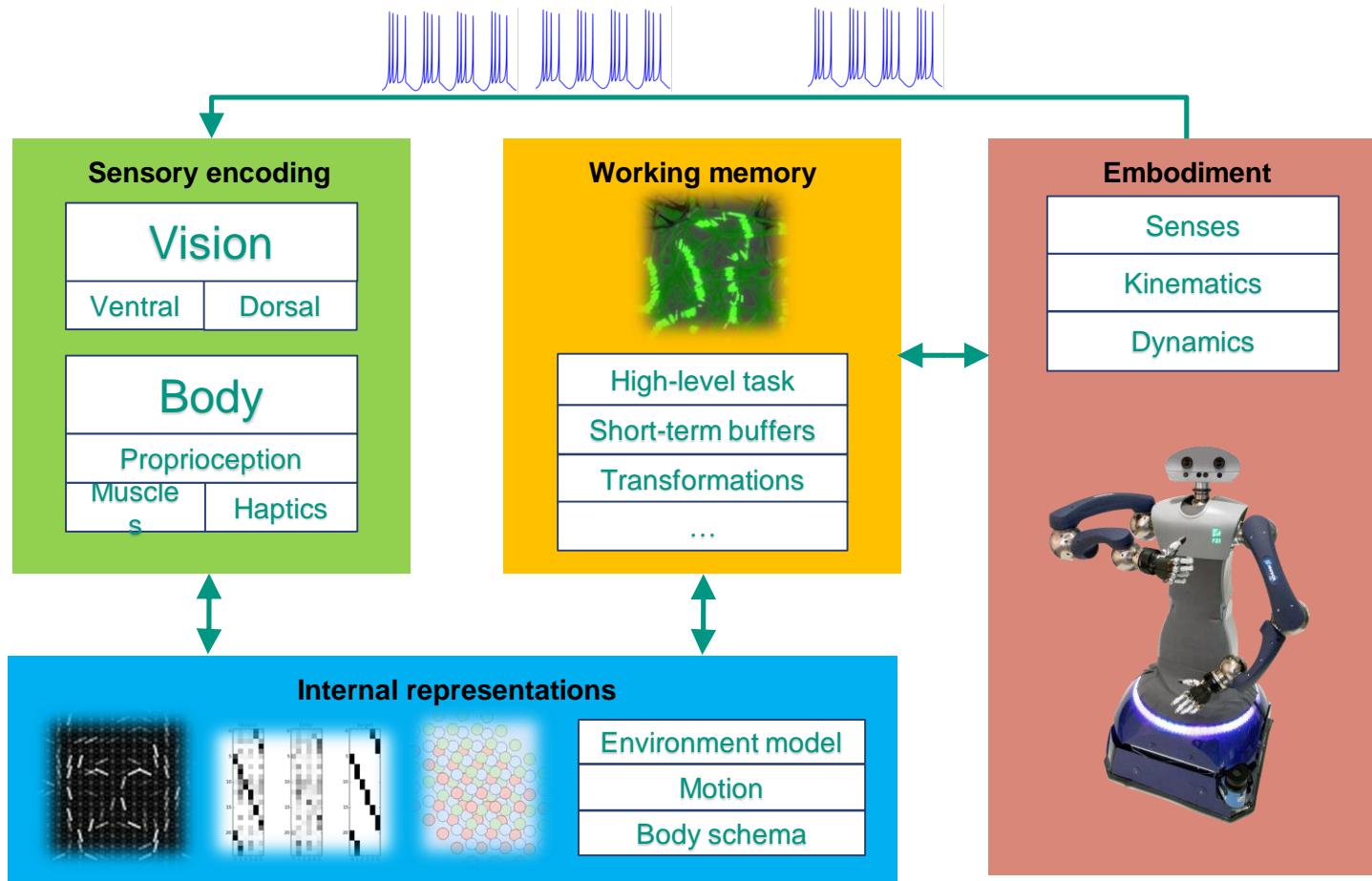
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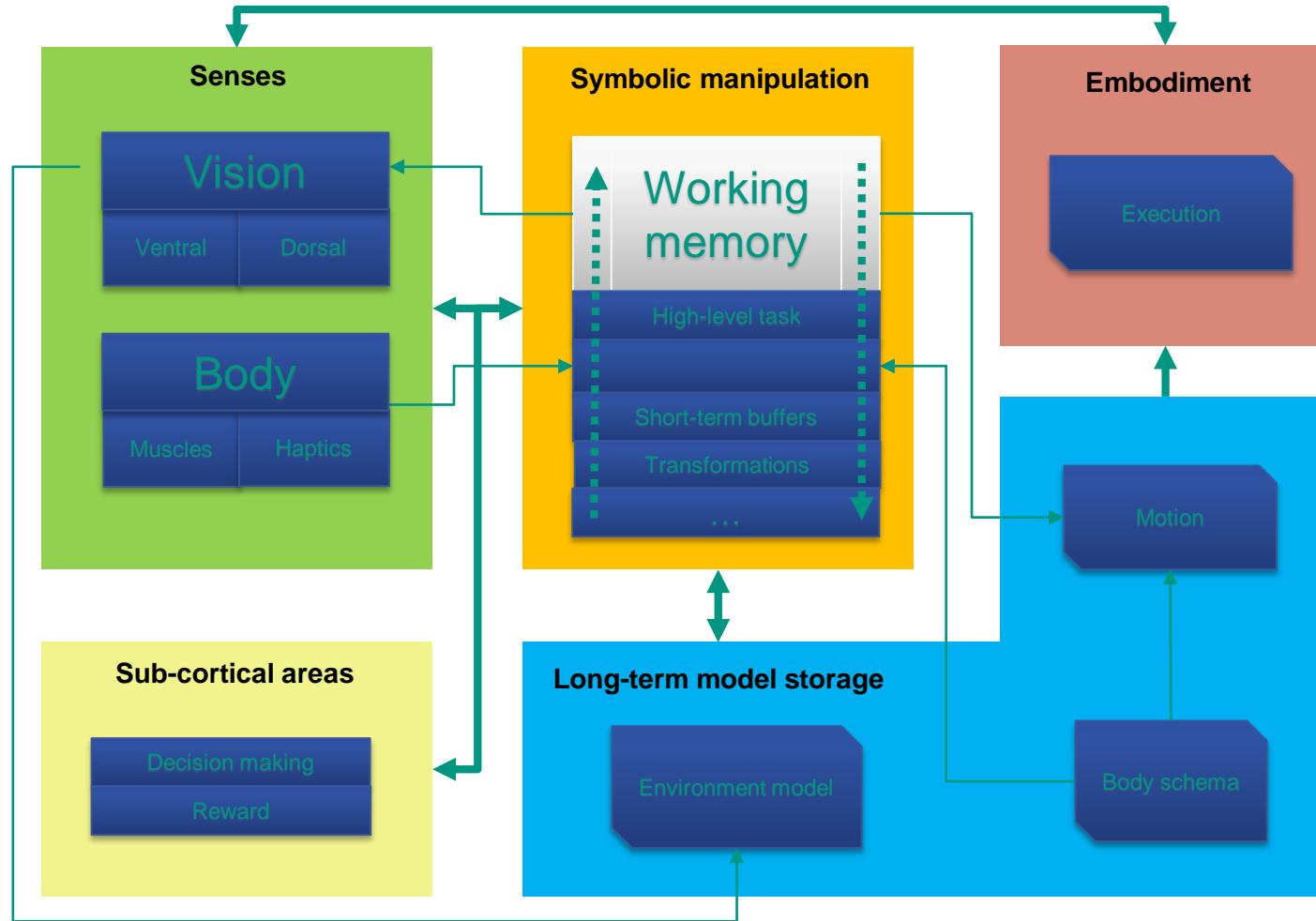
Neurorobotics platform setups



Neural Controller Architecture



Neural Controller Architecture

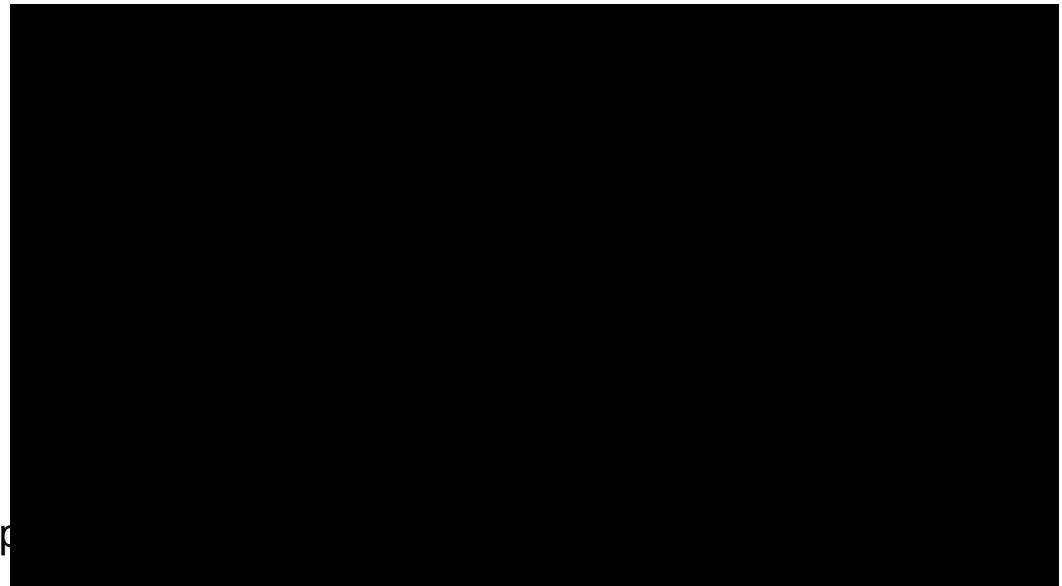


Basic Learning Tasks for Neural Controls

Example: Observing a scene and grasping an object that is added by the experimenter

1. Visual cognition

- “Where is the object?”
- “What is the object?”



2. Symbolic reasoning

- “What can/should I do next?”

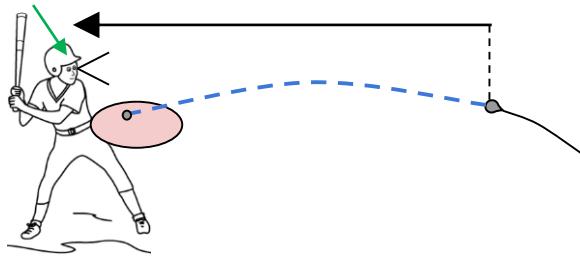
3. Manipulation and grasping

- “How to reach the object?”
- “How to move the fingers to grasp

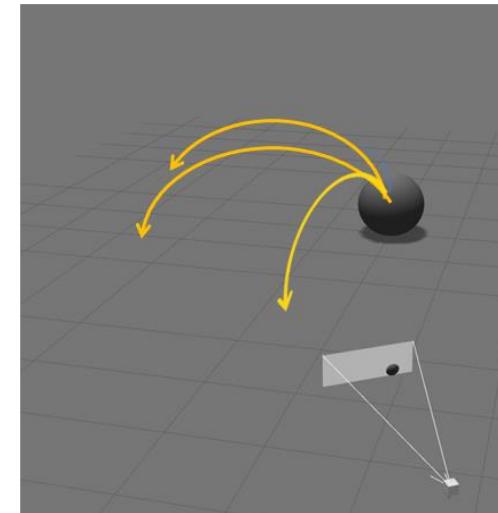
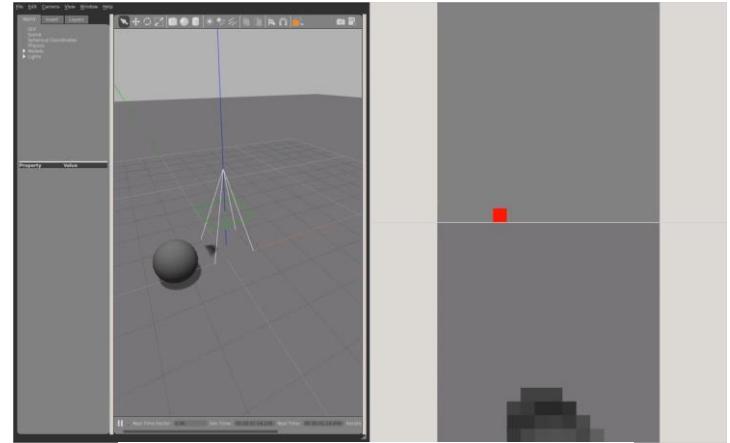
- Additional question
 - How to combine principles from robotics and machine learning with neuroscience?



Vision for action: Dorsal pathway

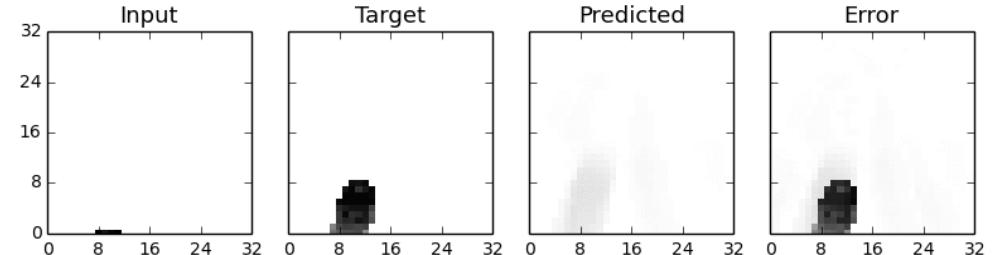
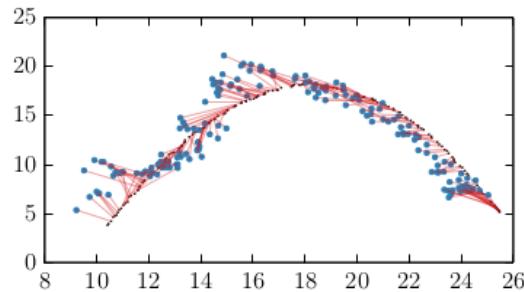
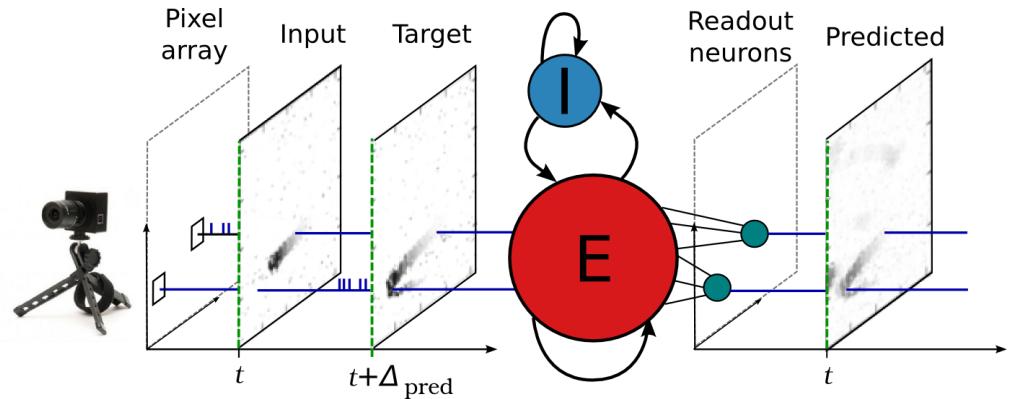


- “Where is the object and where will it be next?”
 - Detection of motion / Saliency
 - Optical flow
 - Localization
- Input data:
 - Address events (DVS-Camera)
- Output:
 - Prediction of future address events
- Neural candidate:
 - Liquid State machines



Liquid State Machines

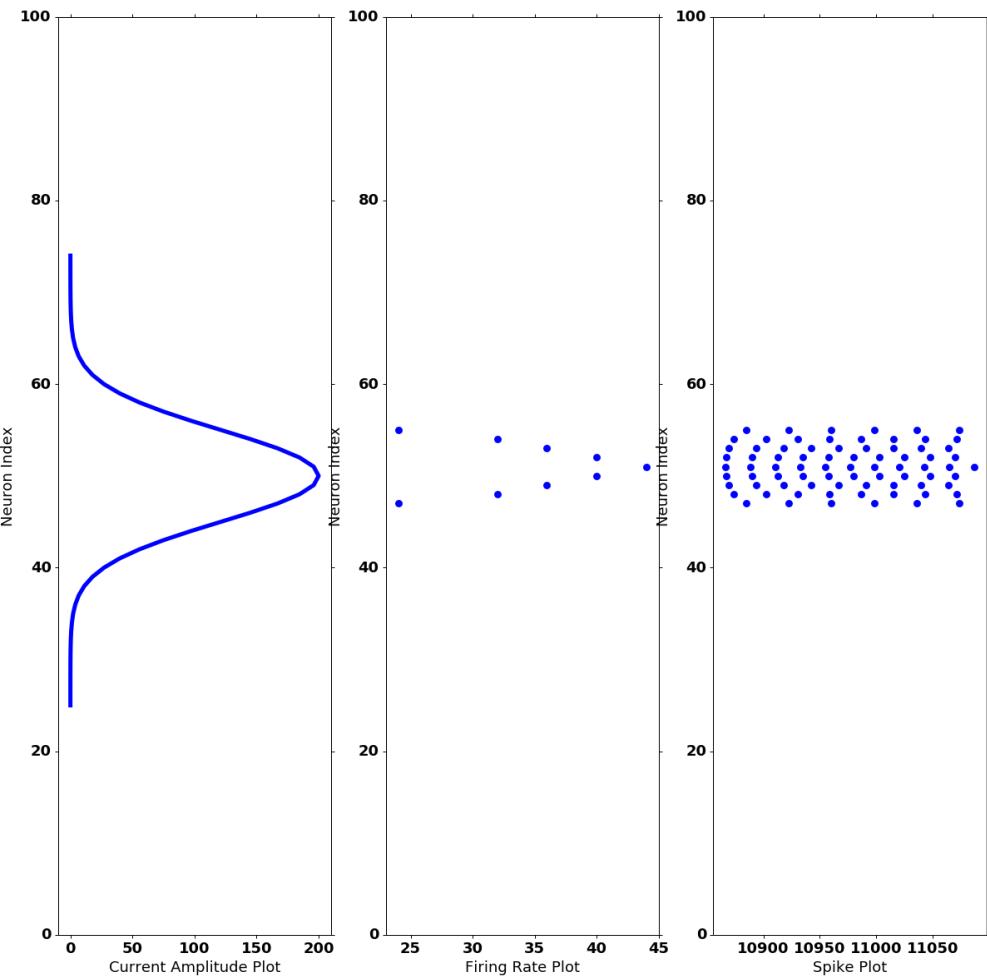
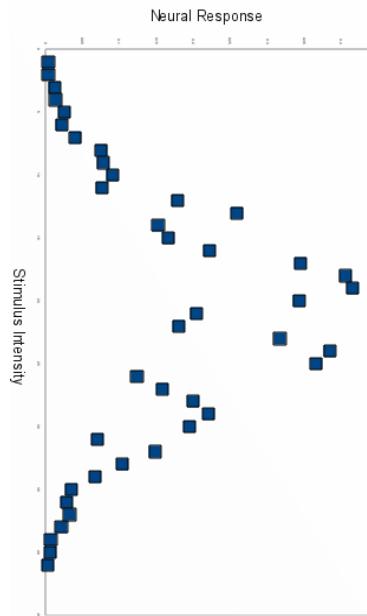
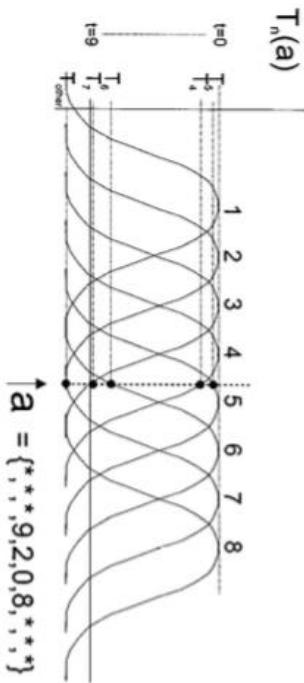
- Reservoir Computing
 - randomly recurrently connected neurons
- Simple training
(linear regression on readout weights) yet complex behaviour
(nonlinear dynamics)
- Asynchronous computing



- Target centroids
- Predicted centroids
- Corresponding target and predicted centroids

"Scaling up liquid state machines to predict over address events from dynamic vision sensors", Jacques Kaiser, Rainer Stal, Anand Subramoney, Arne Roennau, Rudiger Dillmann , Bioinspiration & Biomimetics 2016

Spiking neuron model and spiking representations

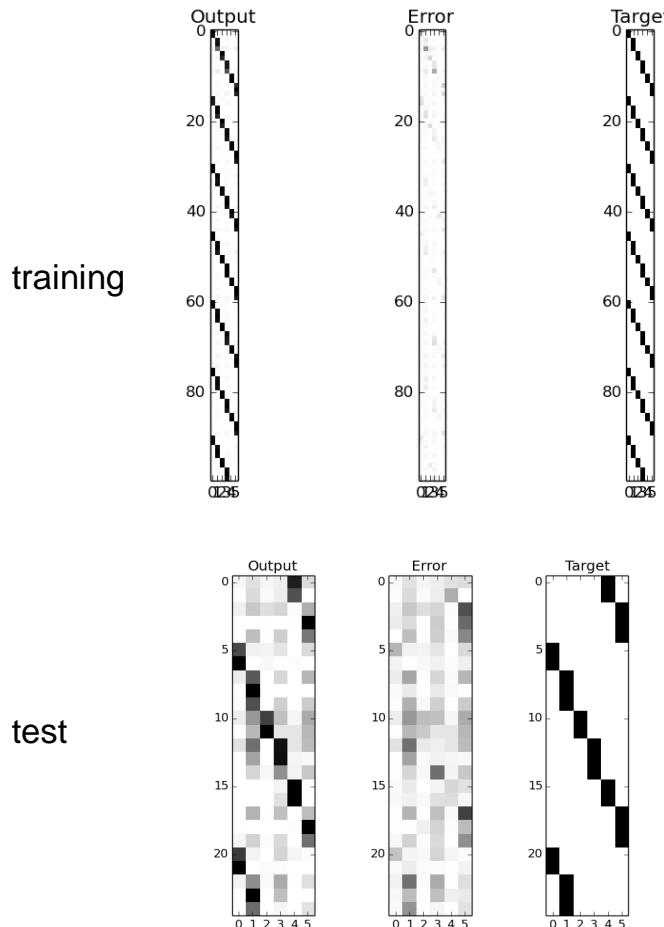


- Population position Gaussian neural coding

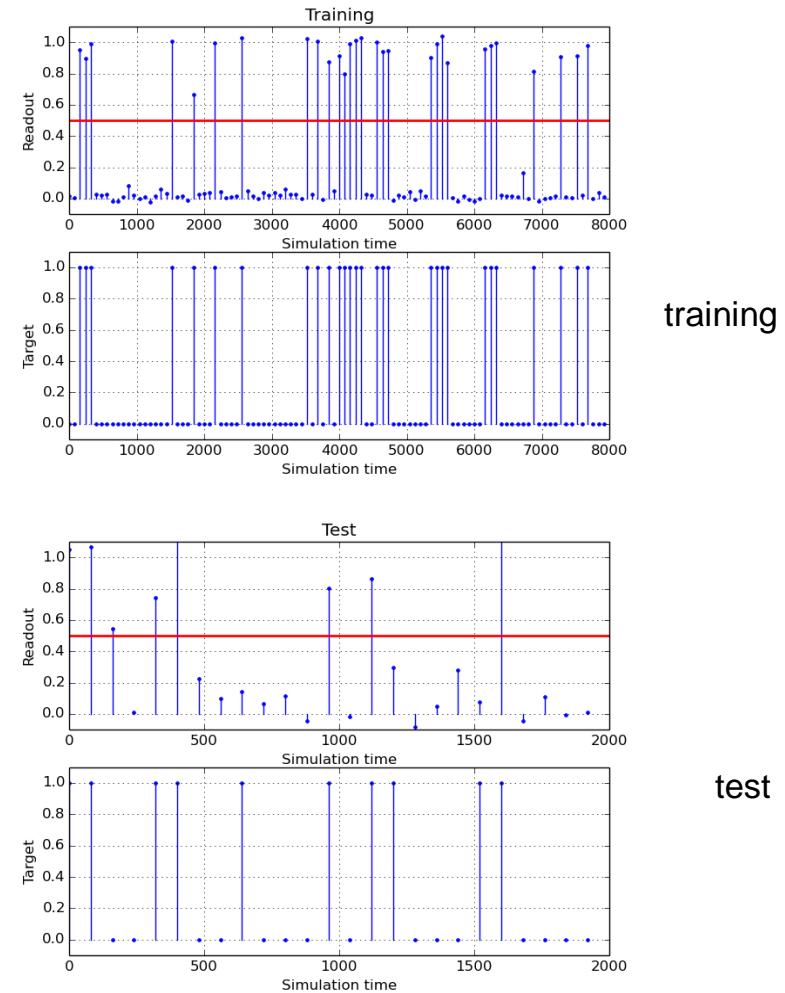
Bohte et al. 2002

Spiking activity prediction

- Prediction of successive spiking (6 neurons)

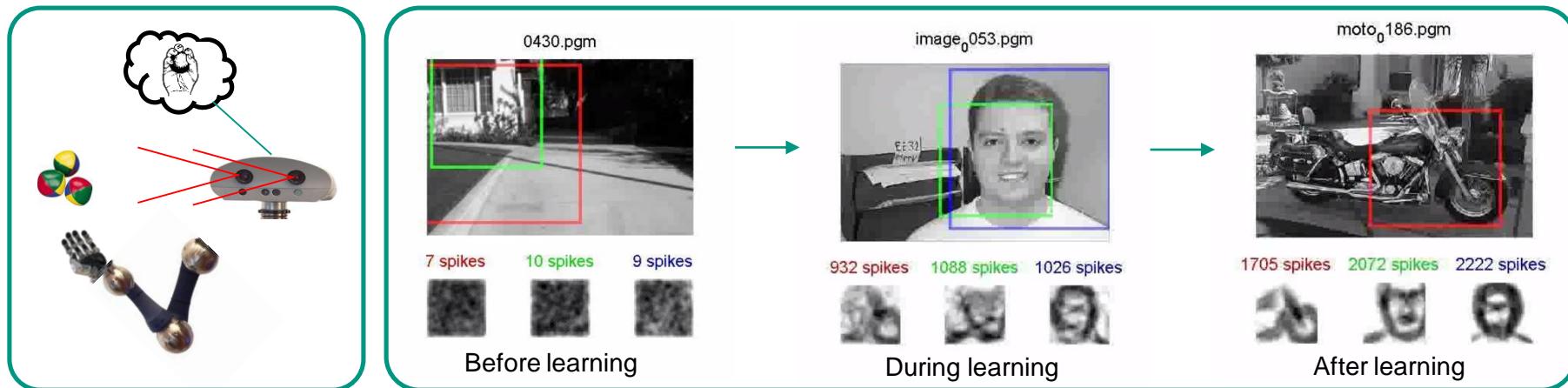
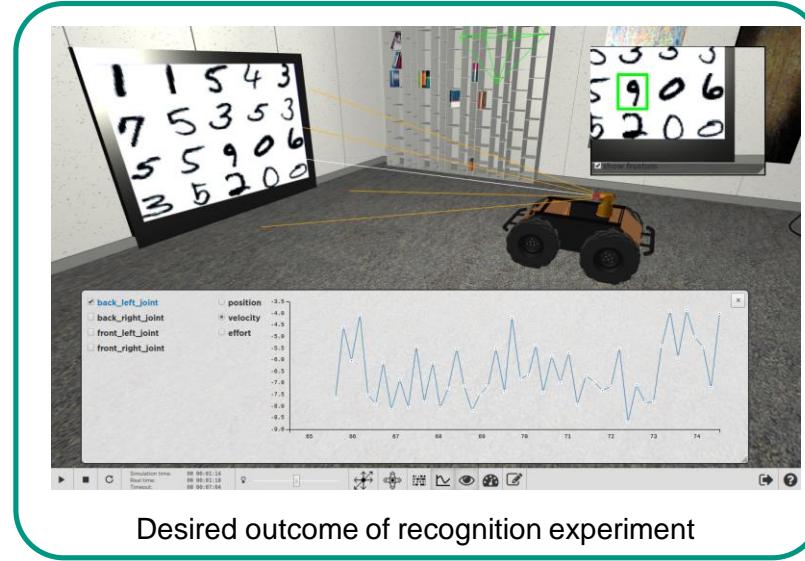


- Prediction of randomly generated pattern (2 neurons)



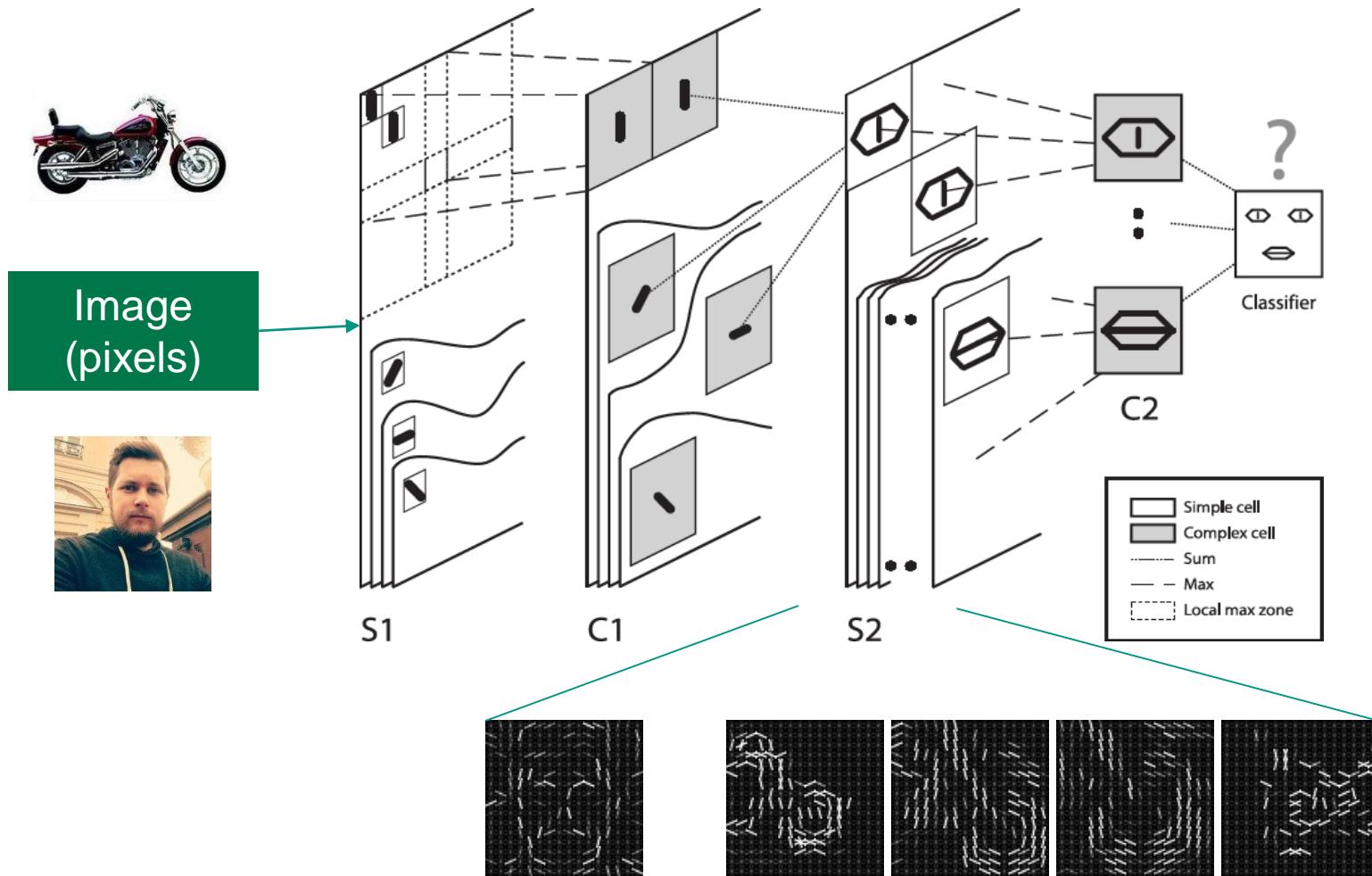
Visual Cognition: Ventral pathway

- “What is the object?”
 - Object recognition
 - Prediction of affordances
- Input data:
 - Camera image stream (RGB)
 - Address events (DVS)
- Output: Grasp type, Object name, Object location, ...
- Neural candidates:
 - Spiking Convolutional Restricted Boltzmann Machine
 - HMAX



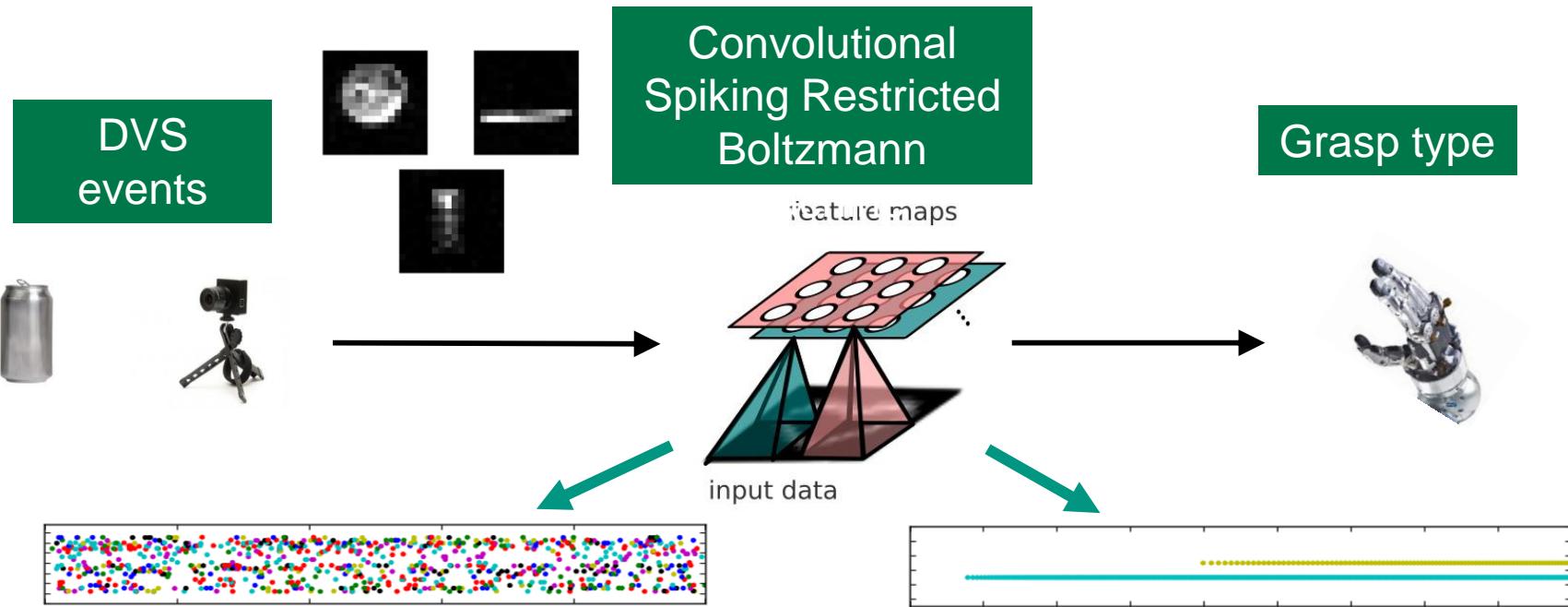
Masquelier T, Thorpe 2007

Learning best visual features in spiking convolutional networks



Architecture from Masquelier T, Thorpe 2007

Learning object affordances

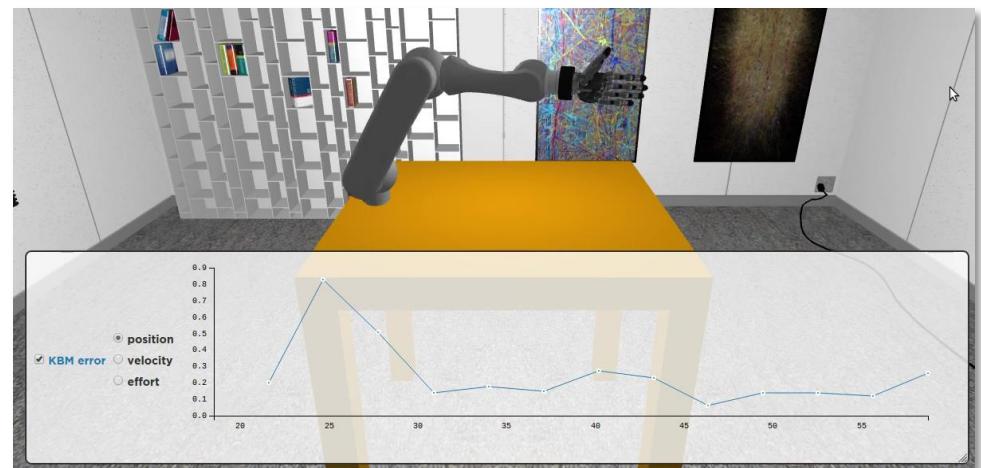


Self-recorded dataset of balls, cans and pens

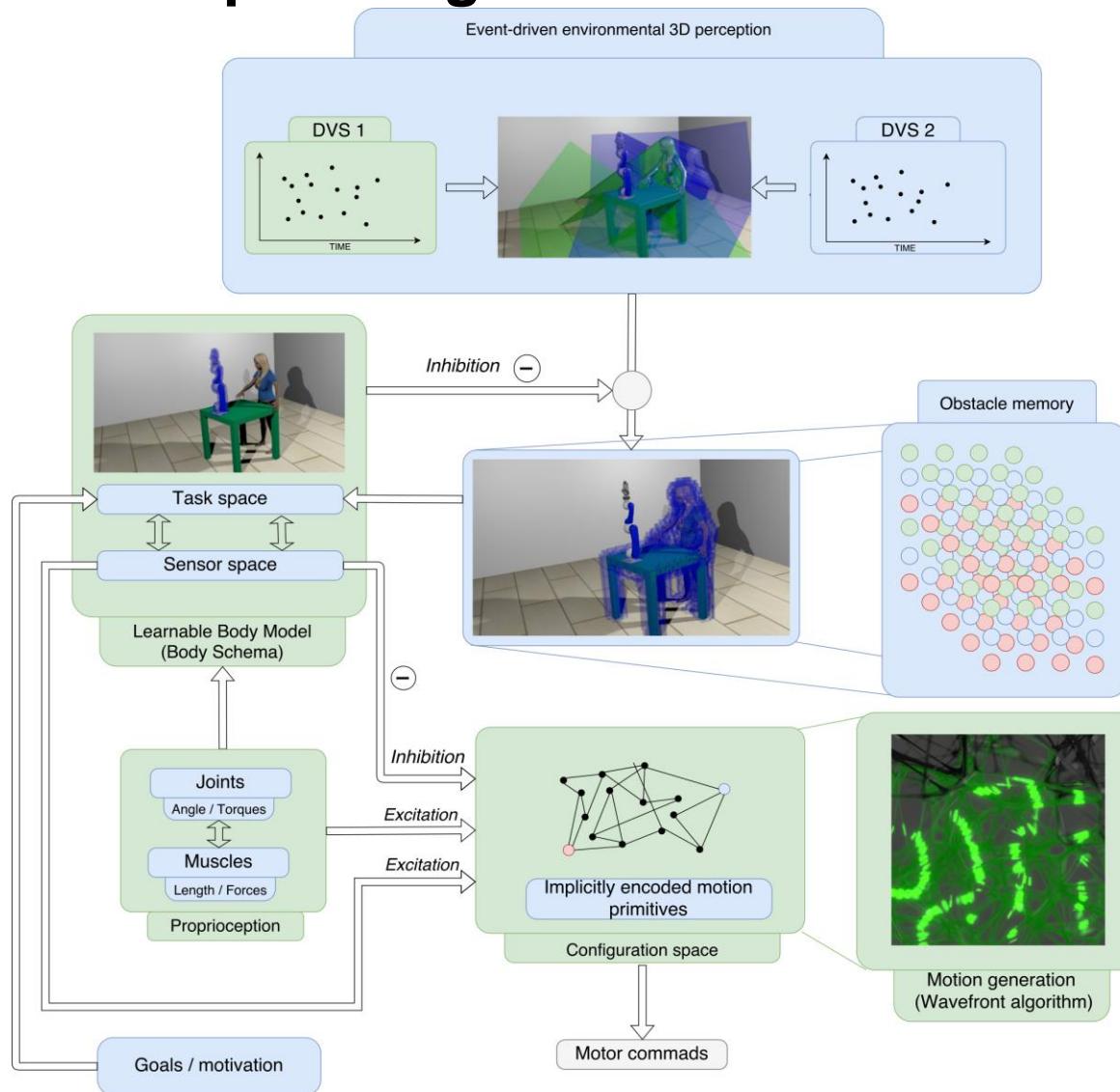
„Spiking convolutional deep belief networks“, Jacques Kaiser, David Zimmerer , J. Camilo Vasquez Tieck, Stefan Ulbrich, Arne Roennau, Rudiger Dillmann, ICANN 2017

Manipulation and grasping: arm motion

- “How to reach the object?”
- Input data:
 - Target position
 - Arm proprioception (joint configuration)
 - TCP position (error/reward measurement)
- Output:
 - Motor commands
- Classical approaches
 - Programming by demonstration
 - Imitation learning
- Neural Candidates
 - Reinforcement learning
 - Model-based learning of kinematic/dynamic model



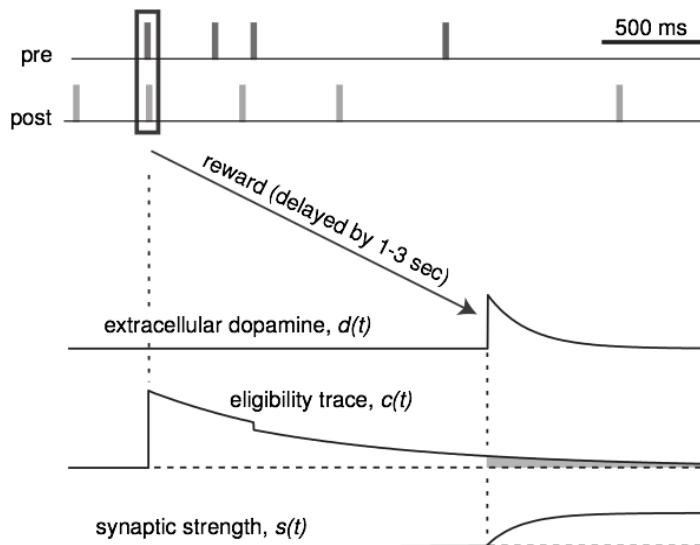
Motion planning



- 3D dynamic vision
 - From stereoscopic DVS
- Active occupancy memory (grid)
 - Sensing robot
 - Sensing obstacles
 - Wavefront planning and control in configuration space
- Occupancy memory works together with learnt body schema to prohibit planning wave traveling through configurations resulting in collision

Reward-based synaptic plasticity for controlling robotic arm

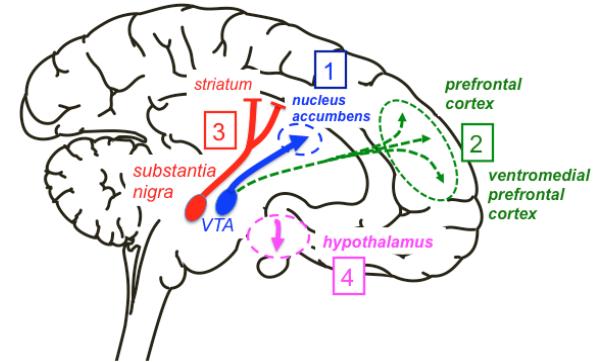
- Classical STDP (spike-timing dependant plasticity) has no concept of reward
- Biological implementation of reinforcement learning
 - Gives possibility to enter feedback in a spiking neural network
- Reward is not immediately available
 - Spiking eligibility trace solves this problem



Izhikevich et. al. "Solving the distal reward problem through linkage of STDP and dopamine signaling"

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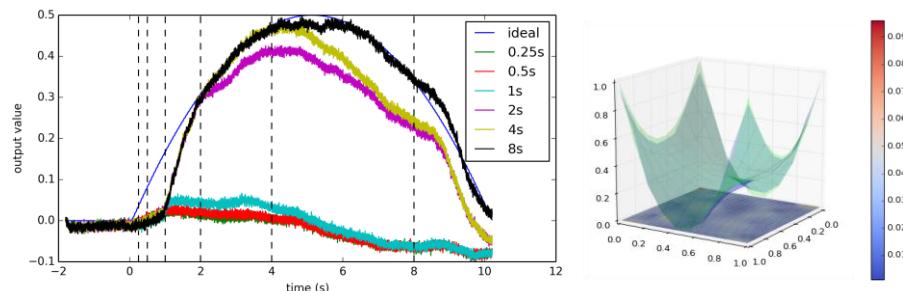
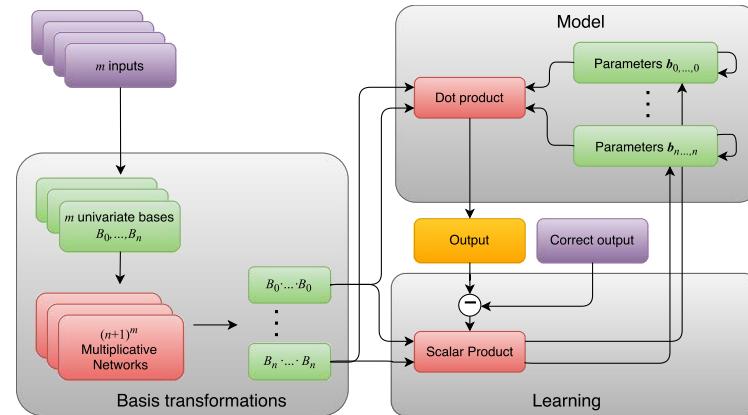
Four Dopamine Pathways & Schizophrenia



- 1) Mesolimbic (SCZ - increase in DA causes positive symptoms)
- 2) Mesocortical (SCZ - DA hypoactivity: negative & cognitive & affective symptoms)
- 3) Nigrostriatal (Drugs - EPS & TD drug side effects)
- 4) Tuberohypophyseal (Drugs - hyperprolactinemia side effects)

Model-based Polynomial Function Approximation

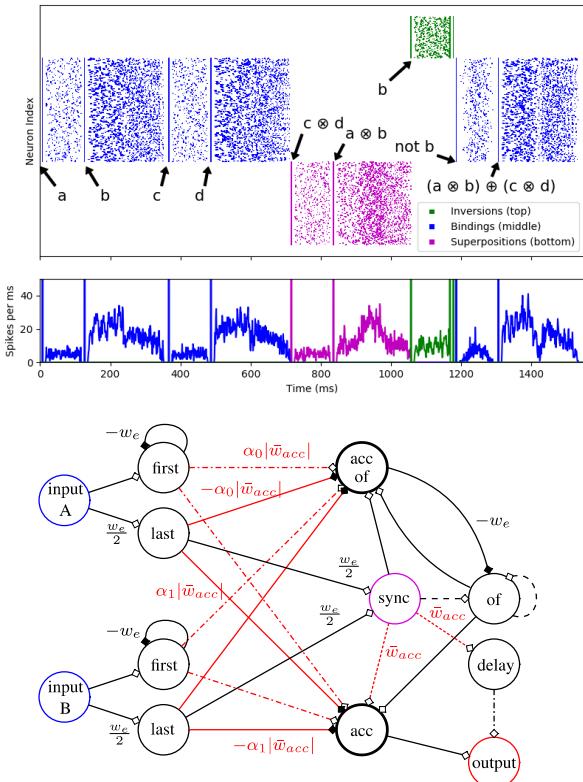
- Neural architecture for learning polynomial functions
- Use cases
 - Prediction of parabola flight
 - Learning of lens distortion
- Future work
 - Implementation of a body image (mental spatial representation of the own body)
 - Translation from Nengo to NEST/PyNN



S.Ulbrich et al. "Model-based Polynomial Function Approximation with Spiking Neural Networks", IEEE Intnl. Conf. Cognitive Informatics & Cognitive Computing, 2017

Convolutional Associative Memories

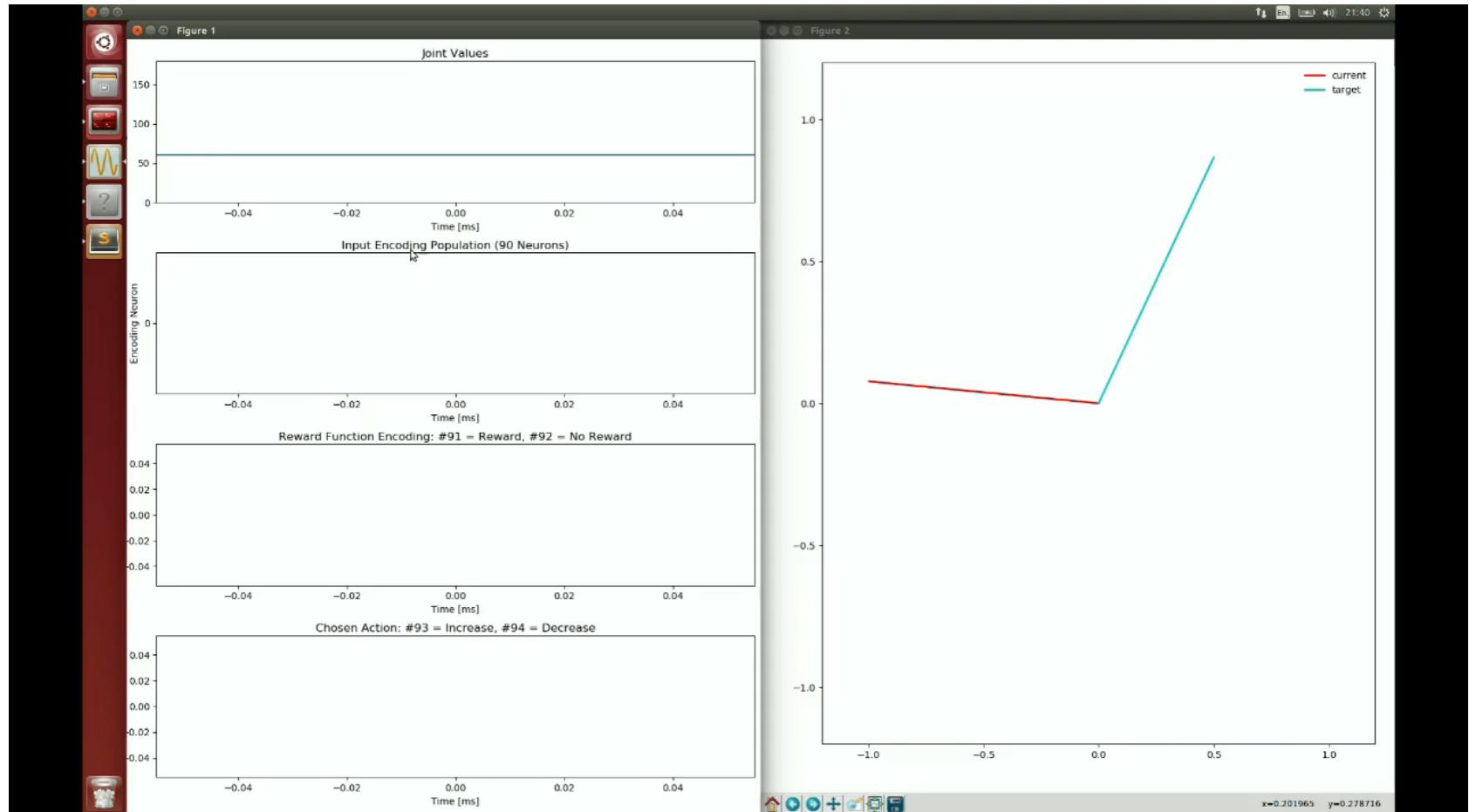
- Neural memory circuit based on convolutional associative memories
- Functional, constructed network
- Based on
 - mathematical operations
 - implemented with exact spike timing
 - “Spike Timing Interval Computational Kernel” (STICK)
- Implemented in NEST/PyNN



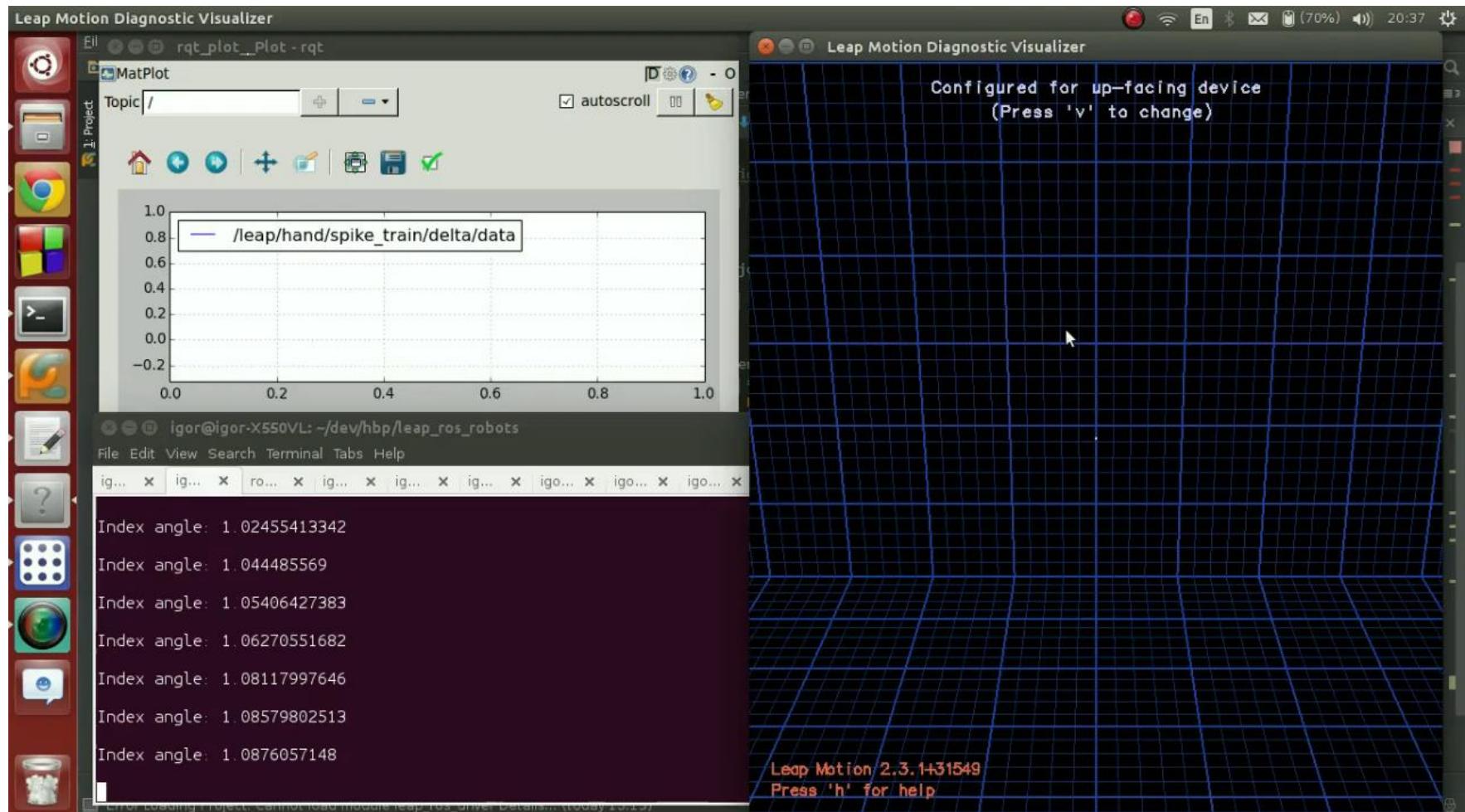
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Example – learning 1 DoF neural controller

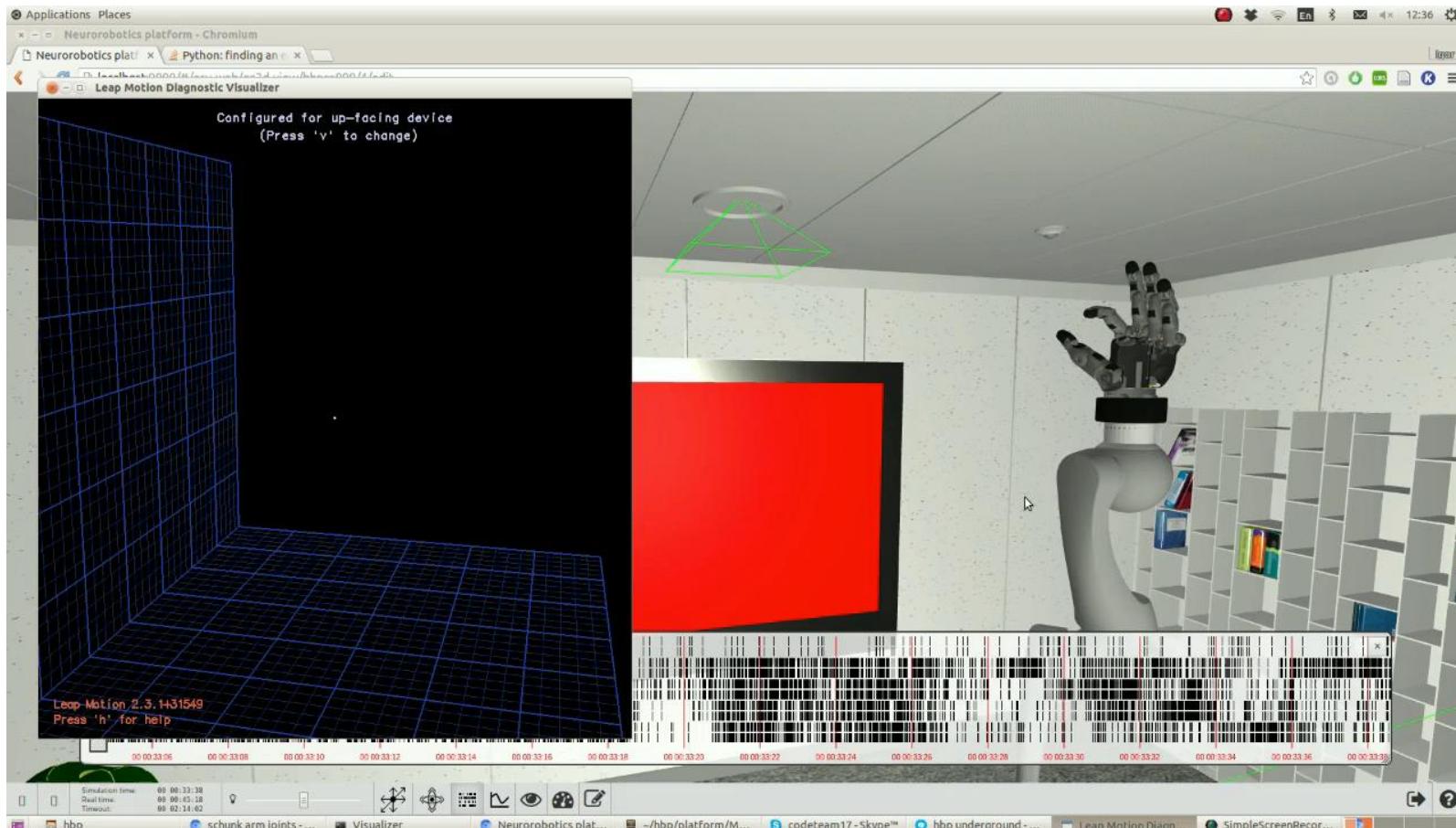
- A population of neurons learning to approach a single target



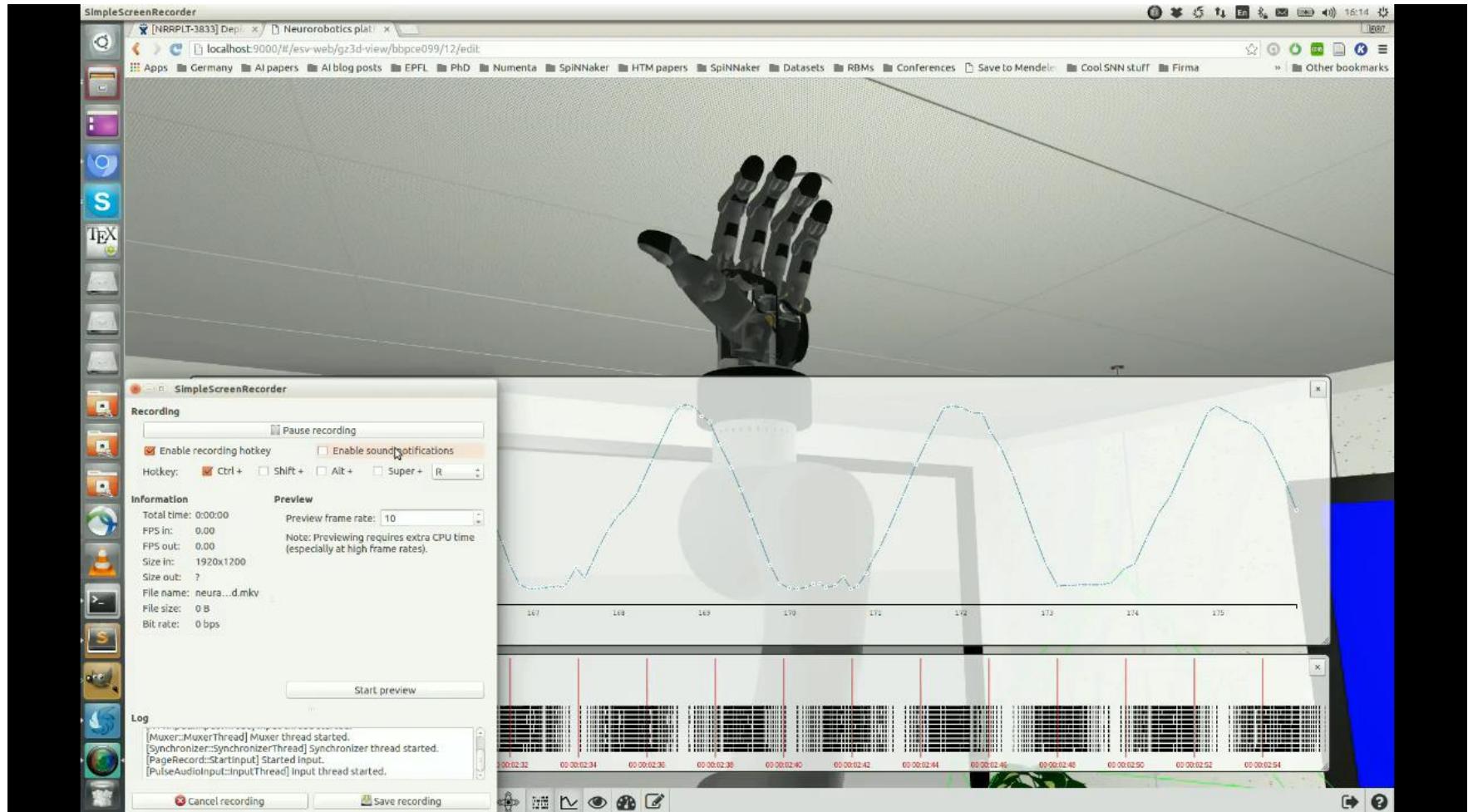
Spiking motion encoding from interactive hand tracker



PbD for interactive manipulation training for neuro-robot control

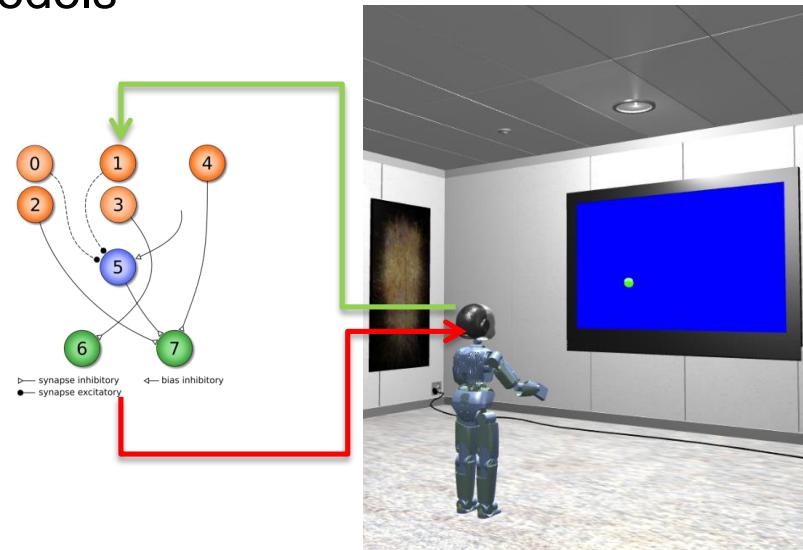


Central pattern generator for hand motion

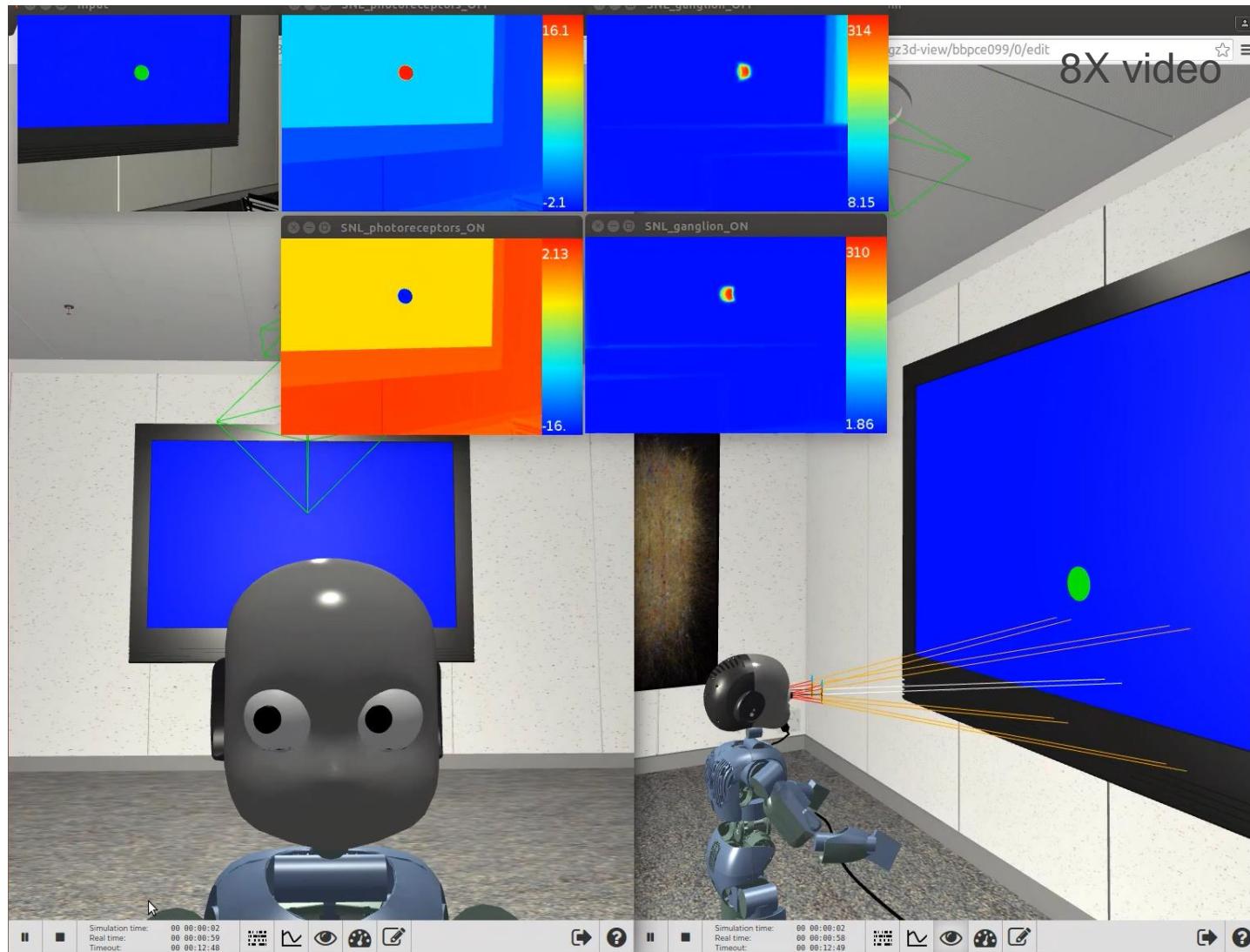


Visual Tracking Experiment

- The goal of the visual tracking experiment is twofold:
 - from a scientific point of view, to embed a retina model in a visual tracking controller
 - from a technical point of view, to assess the capabilities of the platform in dealing with complex transfer functions and integrating neuroscientific models

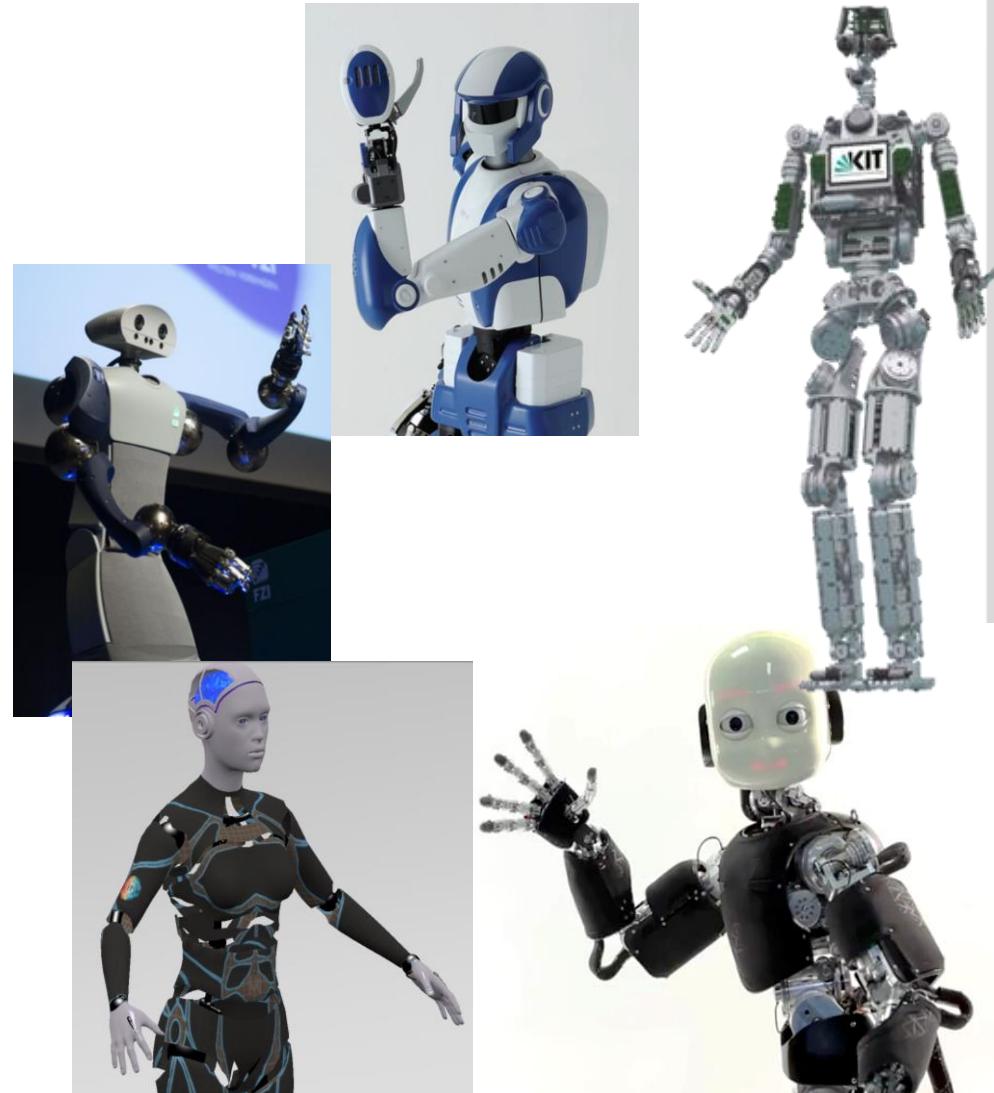


Retina Model integrated in a visual tracking controller



Future development of the NRP

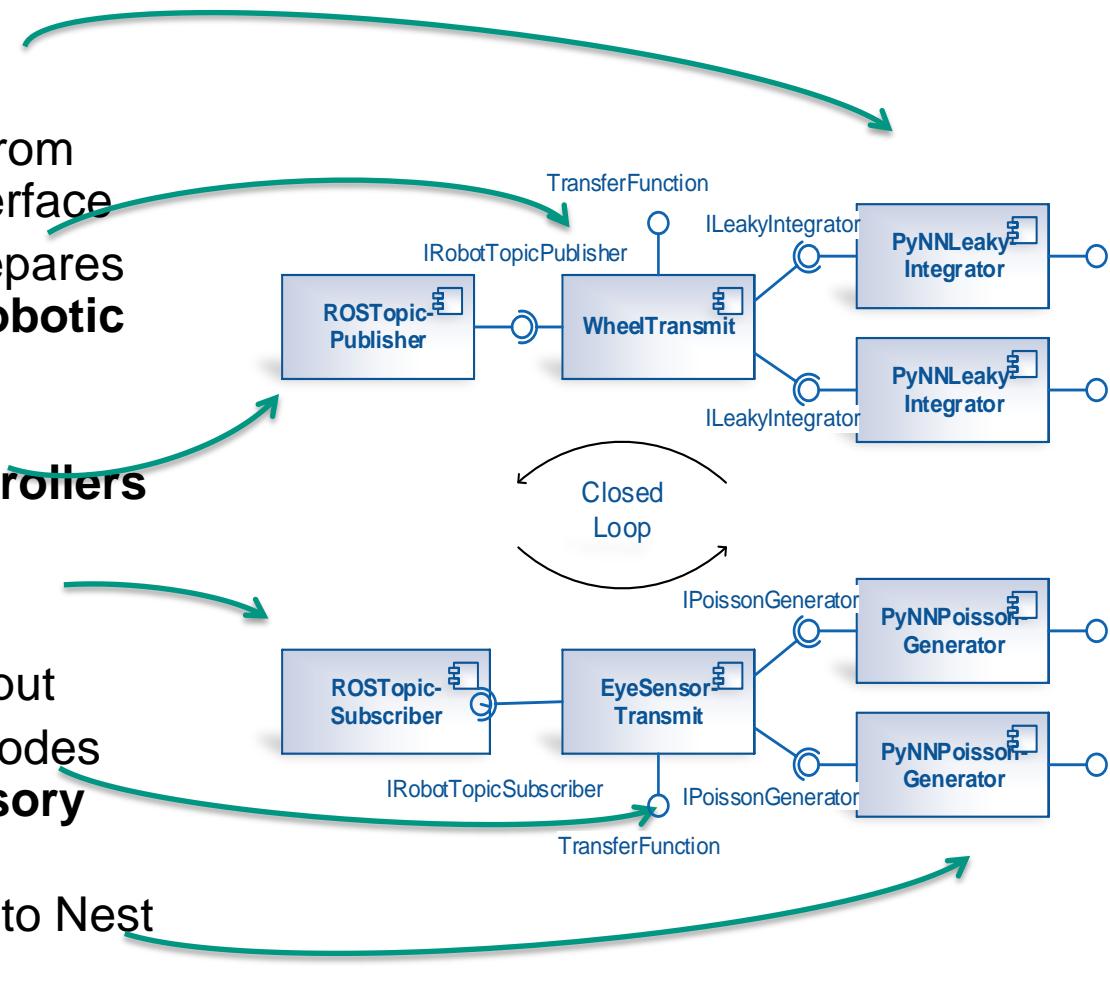
- Experimenting with many different robot embodiments
 - Humanoid robots
 - Biomimetic models
 - Animals
 - Human
 - Muscle and deformable tissue simulation
 - Novel sensors (e.g., addressing event sensors)
- Catalogue of
 - Predefined experiments
 - Experimental environments
 - And objects
- Application to real robots
 - Connections to real robots and sensors
 - Standard installation



Simulation Tool: Closed Loop Engine data flow

Actuators

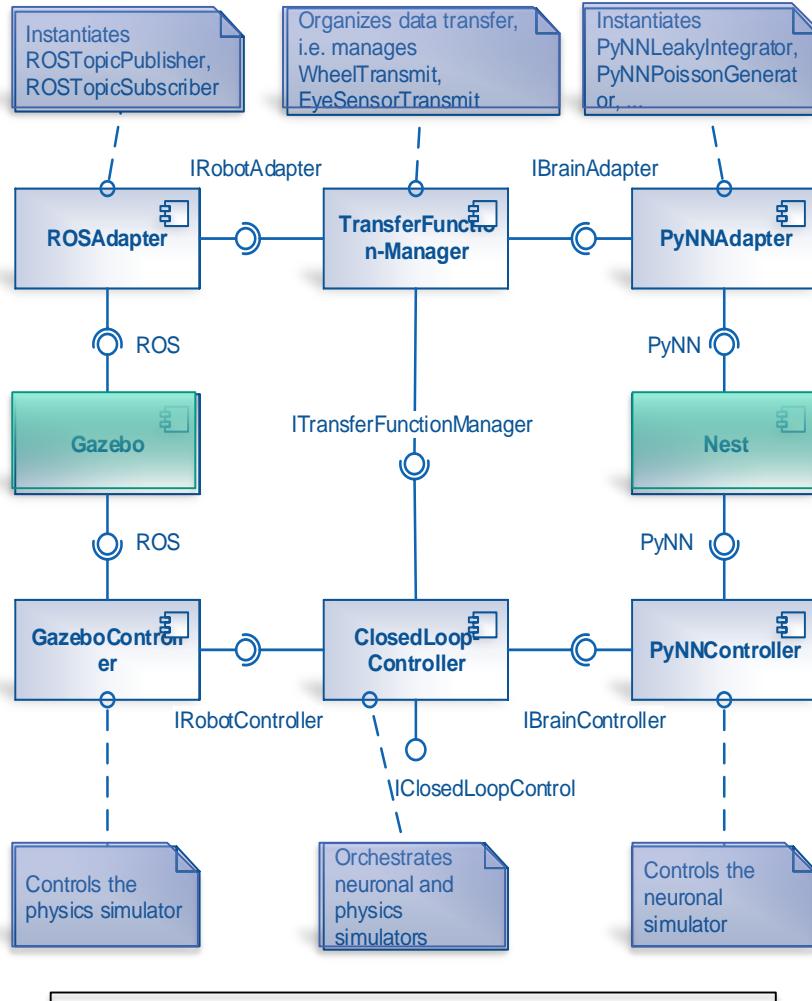
1. Spikes input is read from Nest over Python interface
2. Transfer Function prepares (converts) them for **robotic body control**
3. ROS Topic Publisher delivers them to **controllers**



Senses

1. ROS sends Image input
2. Transfer function encodes (converts) it into **sensory spike rates**
3. Spikes output is sent to Nest over Python interface

Simulation Tool: Closed Loop Engine components



- Core of CLE is **Closed Loop Controller**, orchestrating:
 - Neural network simulation (PyNNController)
 - Physics simulation (GazeboController)
 - Two-way data transfer (TransferFunctionManager)
- **PyNN ad ROS adapters** augment functionalities of base classes and wrap management capabilities for controller (higher-level) classes

The Robot designer

The NRP RobotDesigner

Modeling and Editing

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