

Finding the biophysical properties of neurons from electrophysiological recordings

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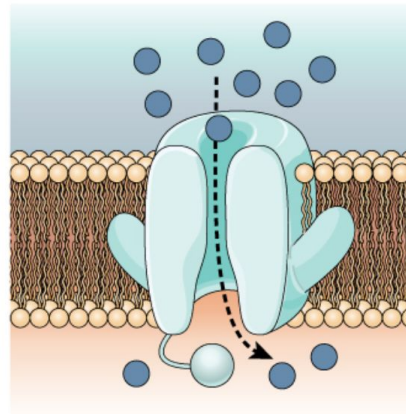
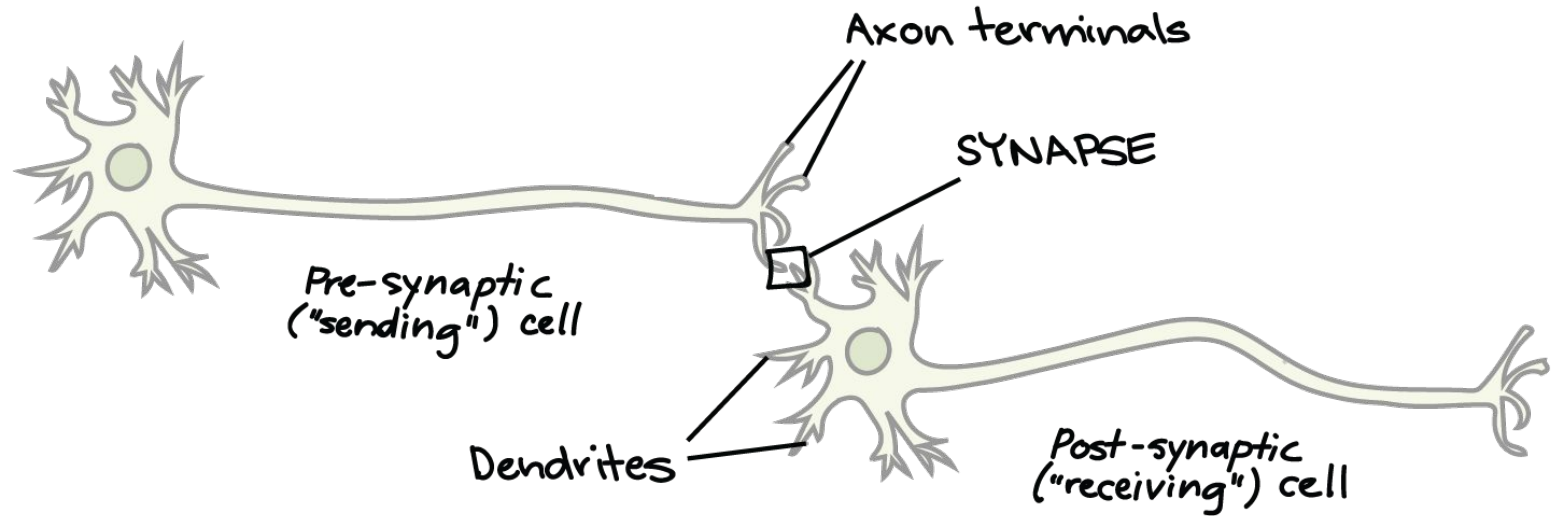
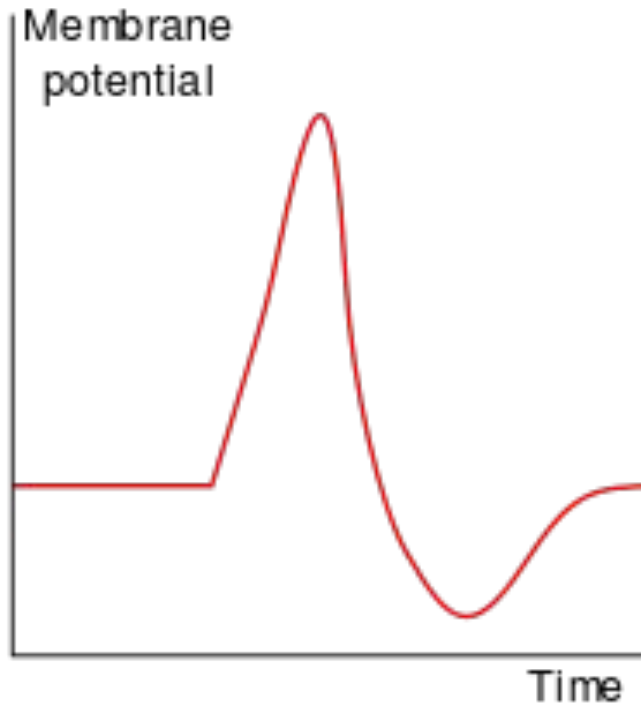
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Ion channels gives neurons their electrical properties

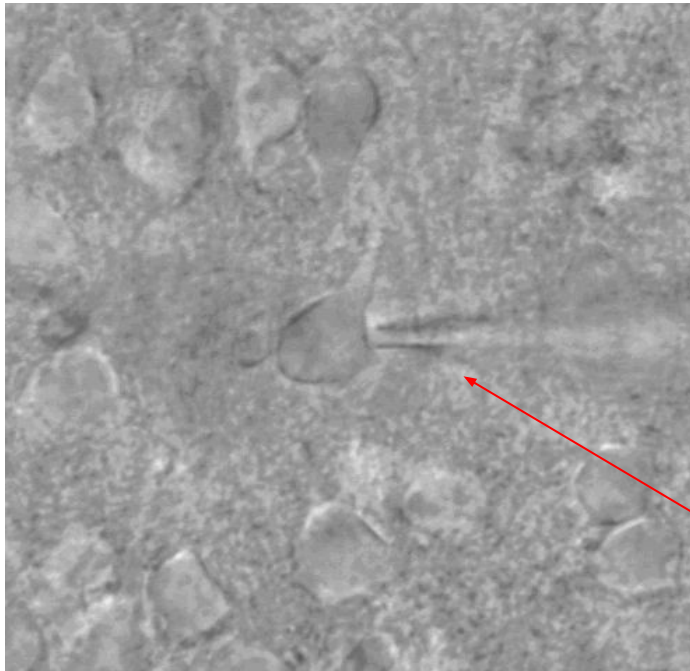


Open In response to a nerve impulse, the gate opens and Na^+ enters the cell.

Sodium
Potassium
Calcium

Recording from neurons only gives us gross neuronal properties

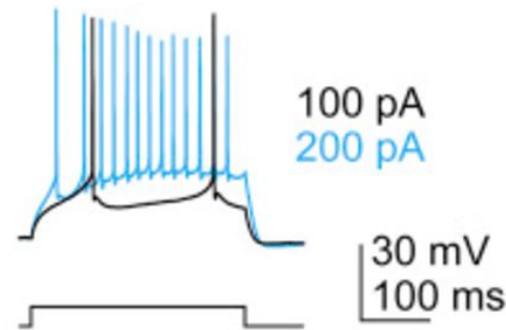
Hunt for a neuron



<https://www.kmjacobslab.org>

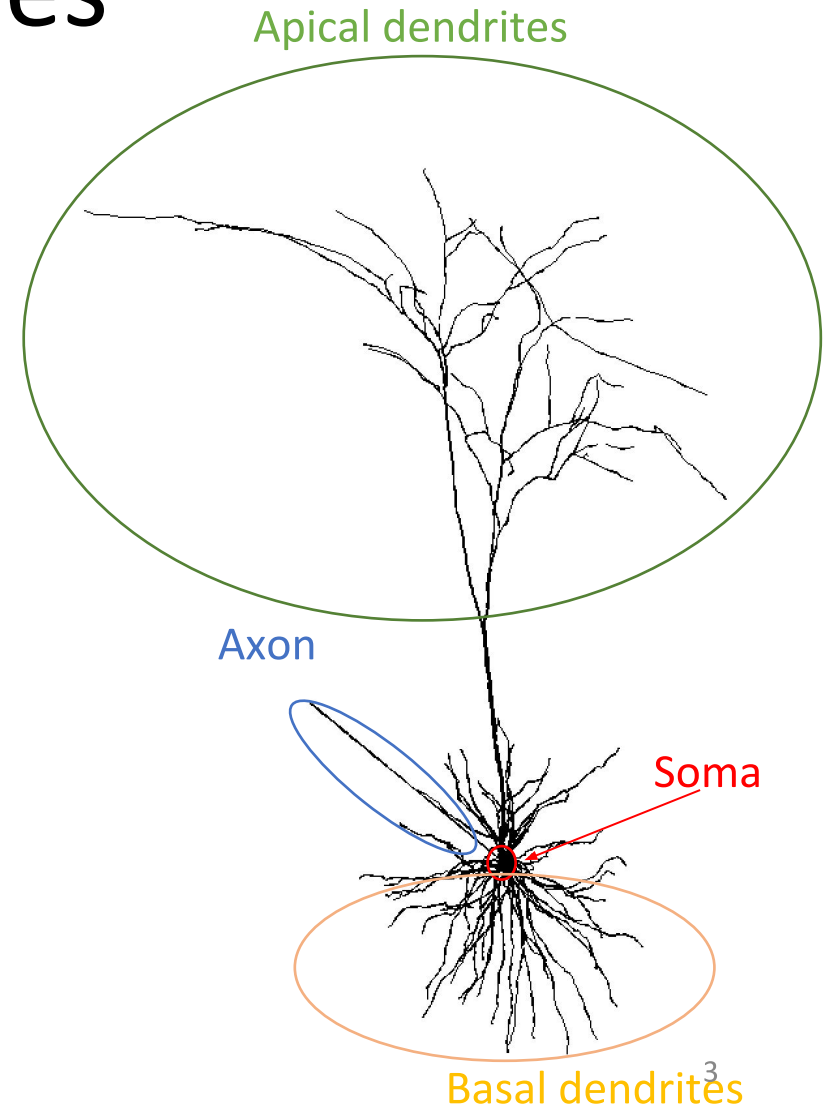
Stimulating the cell

record - voltage



Electrode

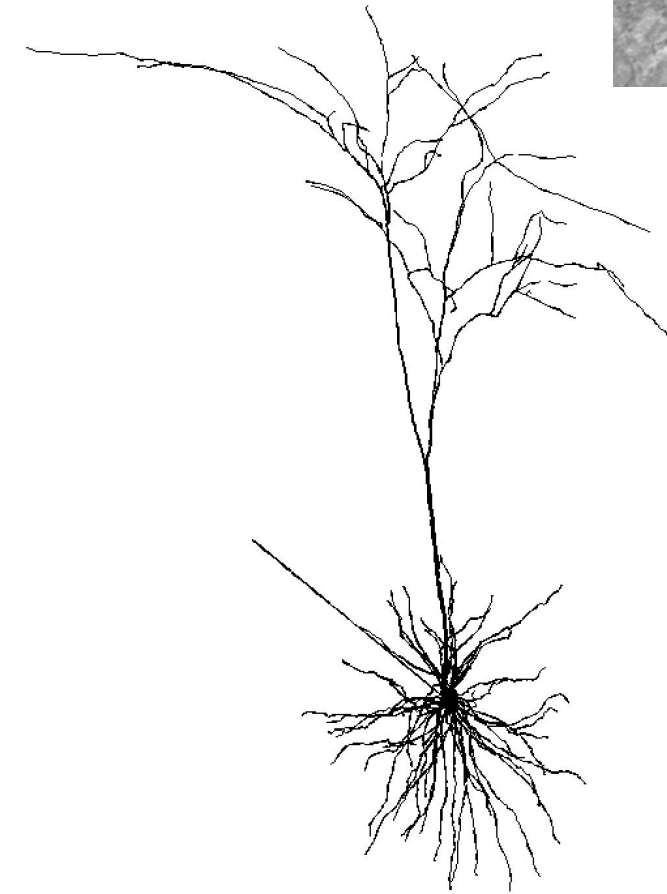
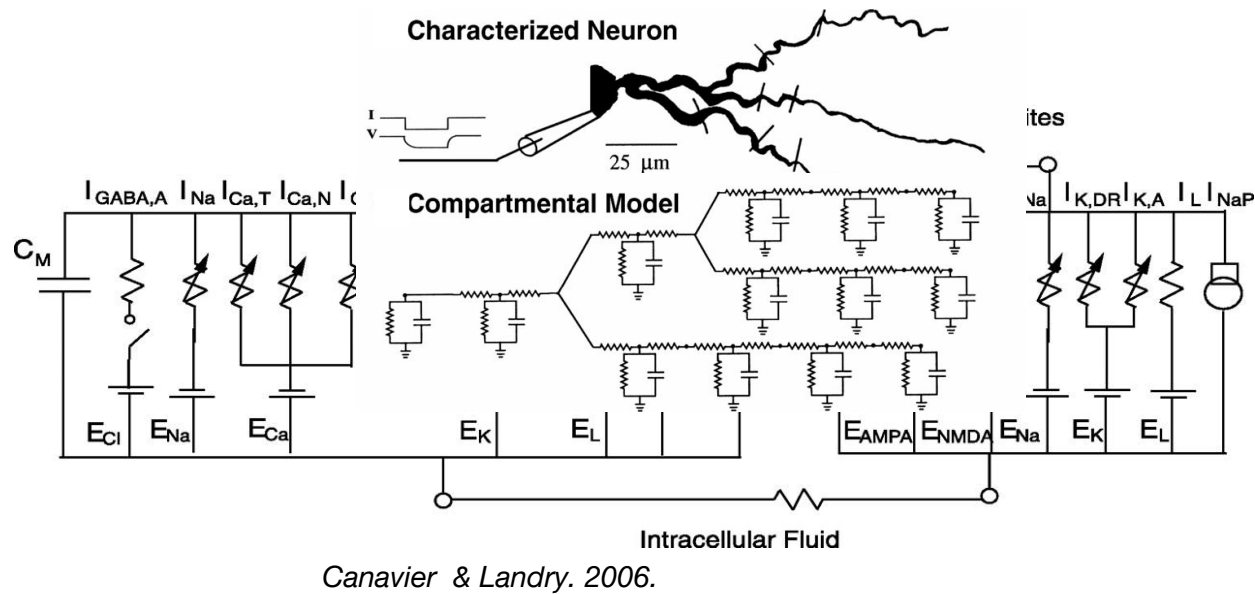
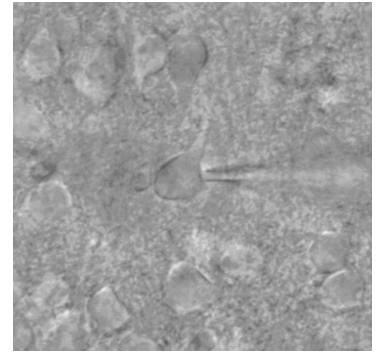
Yang & Ben-Shalom et. al. 2016



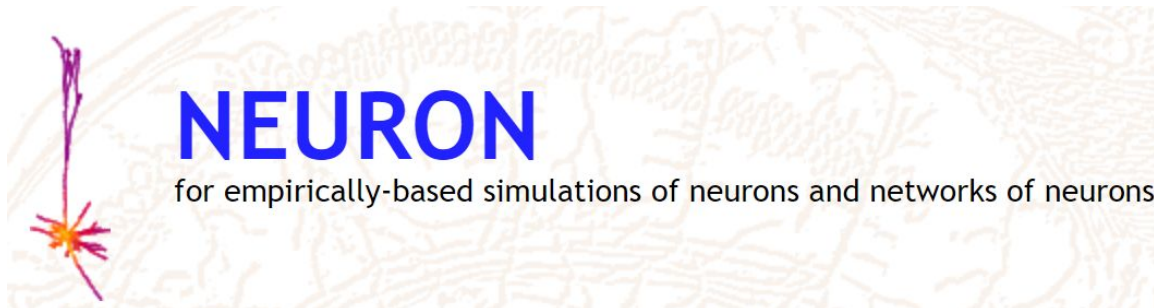
Why do we care about the ion channels distribution

- Channelopathies
 - Epilepsy
 - Autism
- Accurate models can find targets for treatments
- We do not know the distribution of ion channels, it will help us understand better how neurons work.
- Build better neuronal networks that simulate neuronal circuits

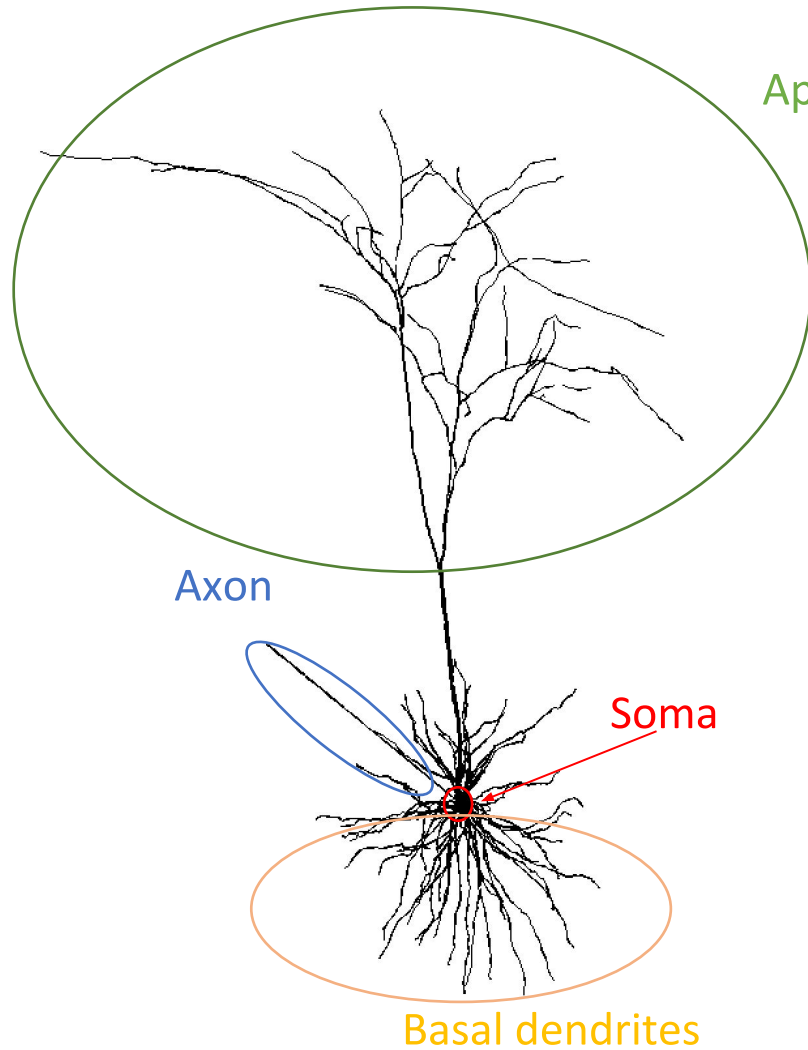
Compartmental models



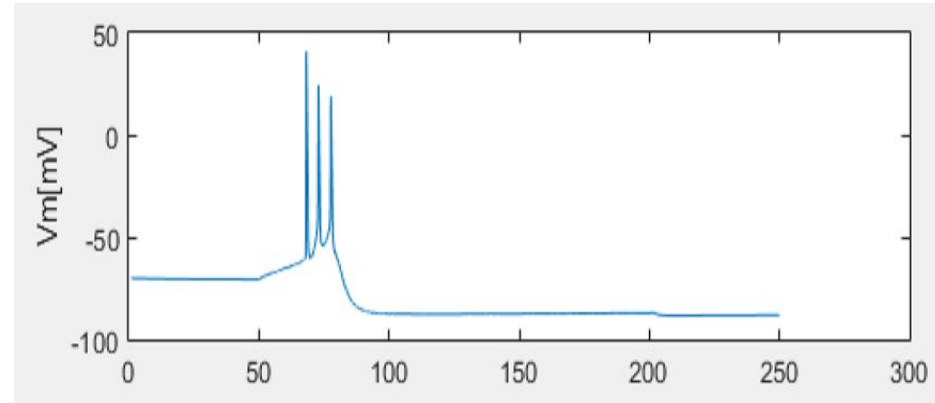
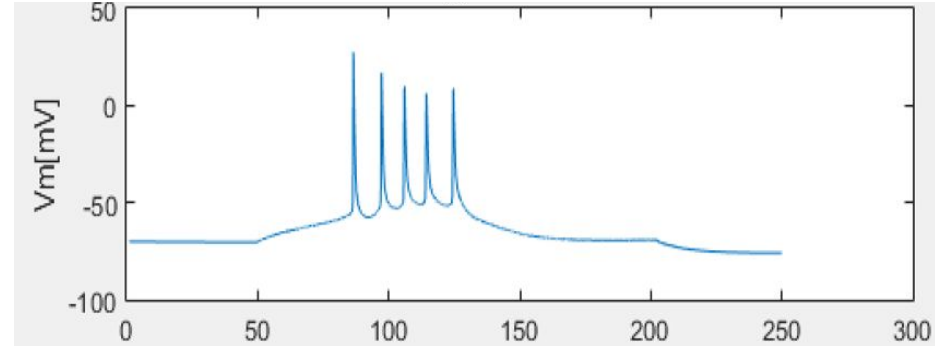
Mainen & Sejnowski. 1996.



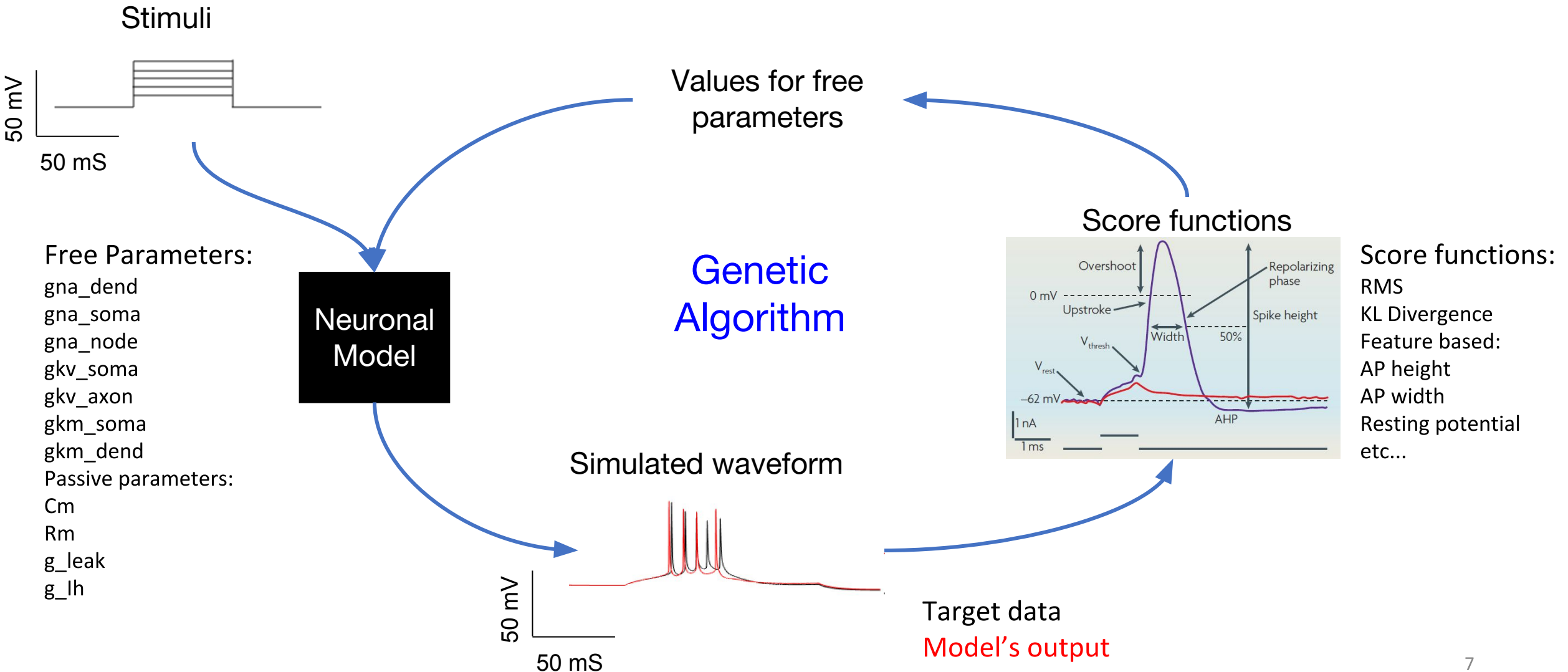
Different parameters values leads to different model's output



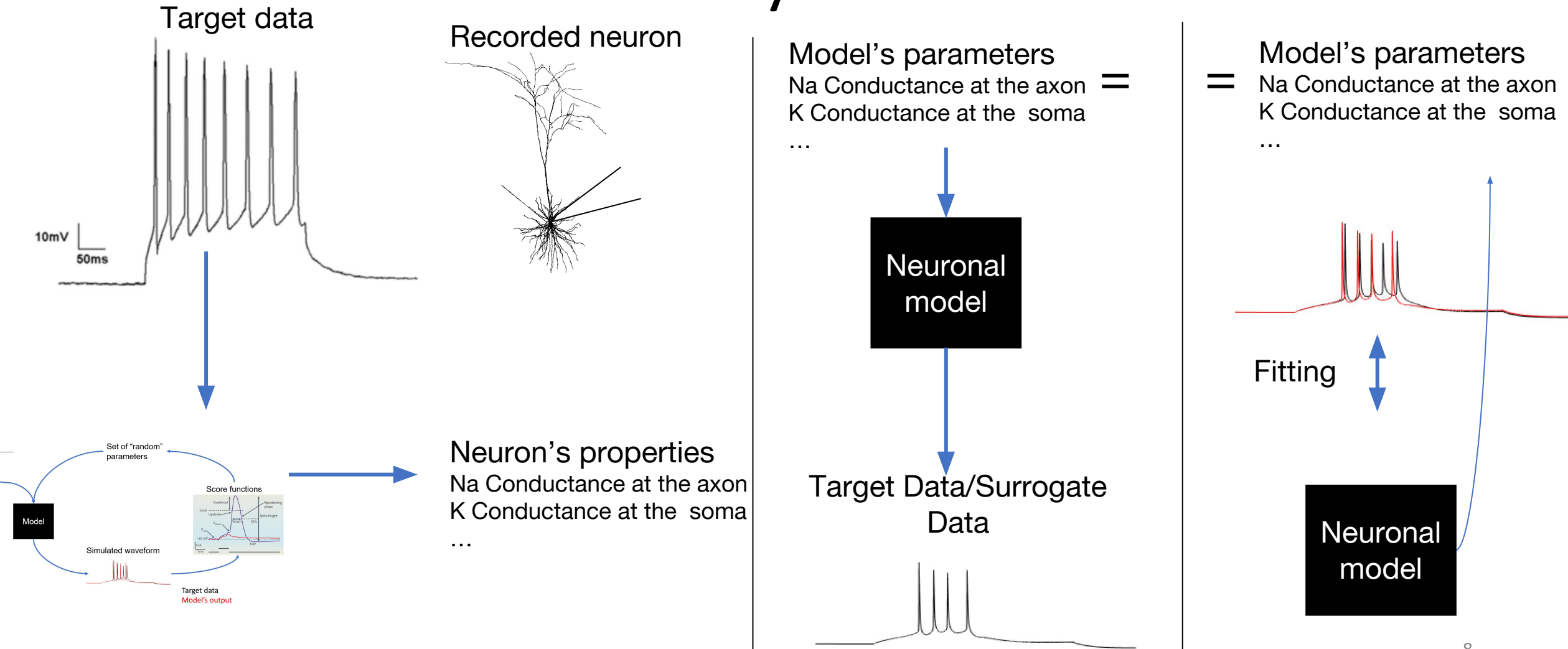
+ Values for
free parameters
(ion channels dist.)



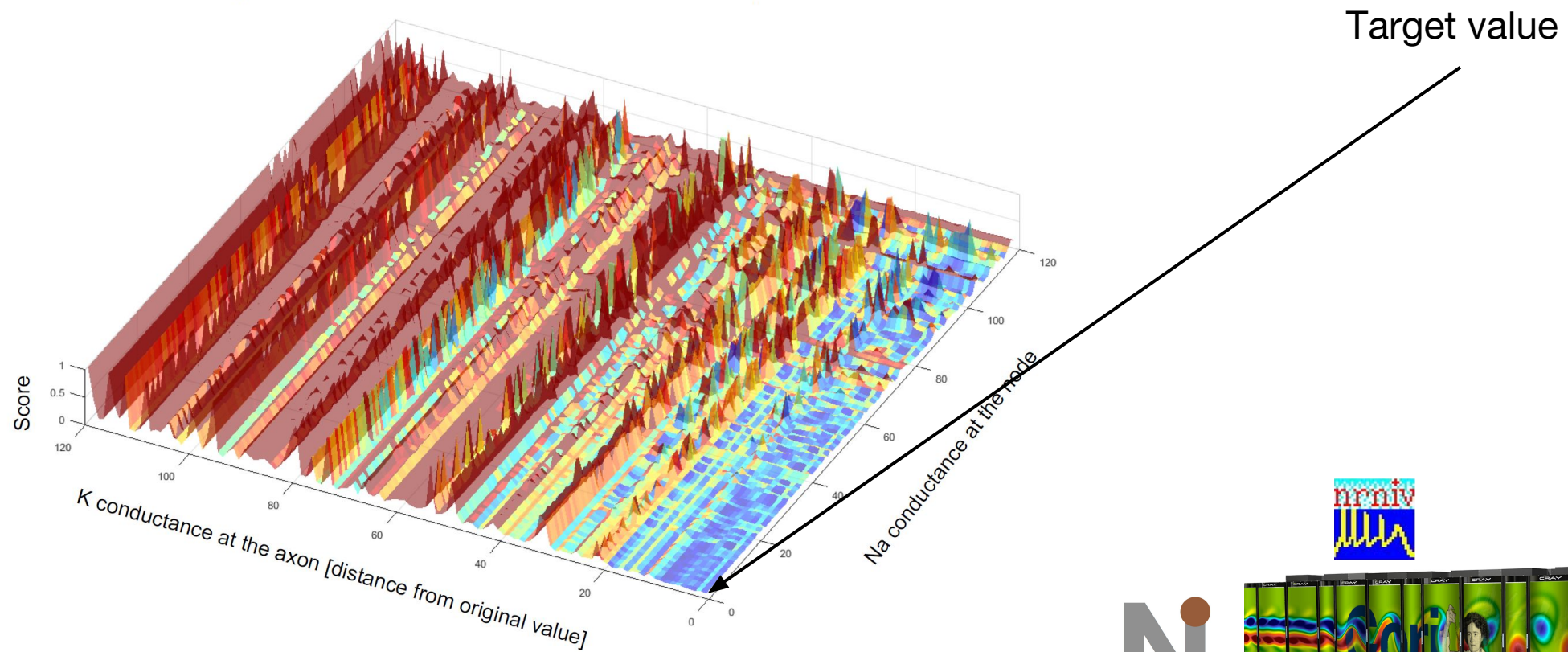
Fitting models to electrophysiological data



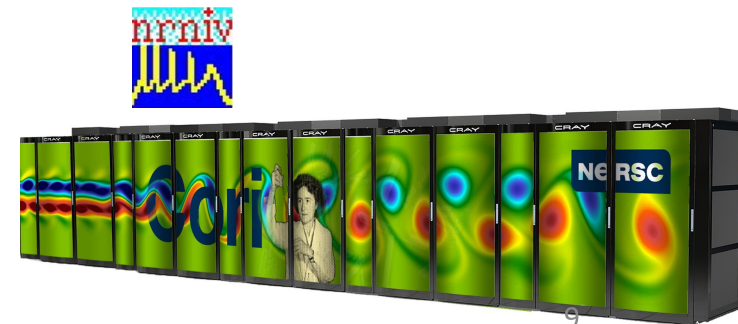
Real vs Surrogate Data: Using voltages created by the model



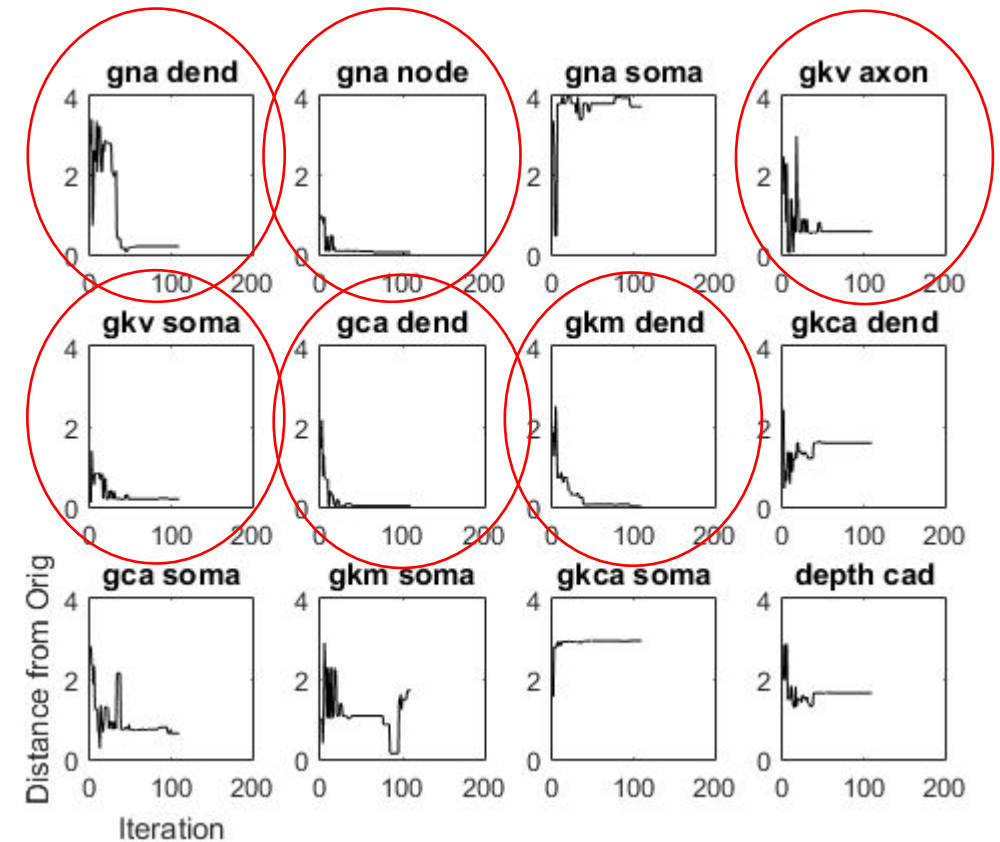
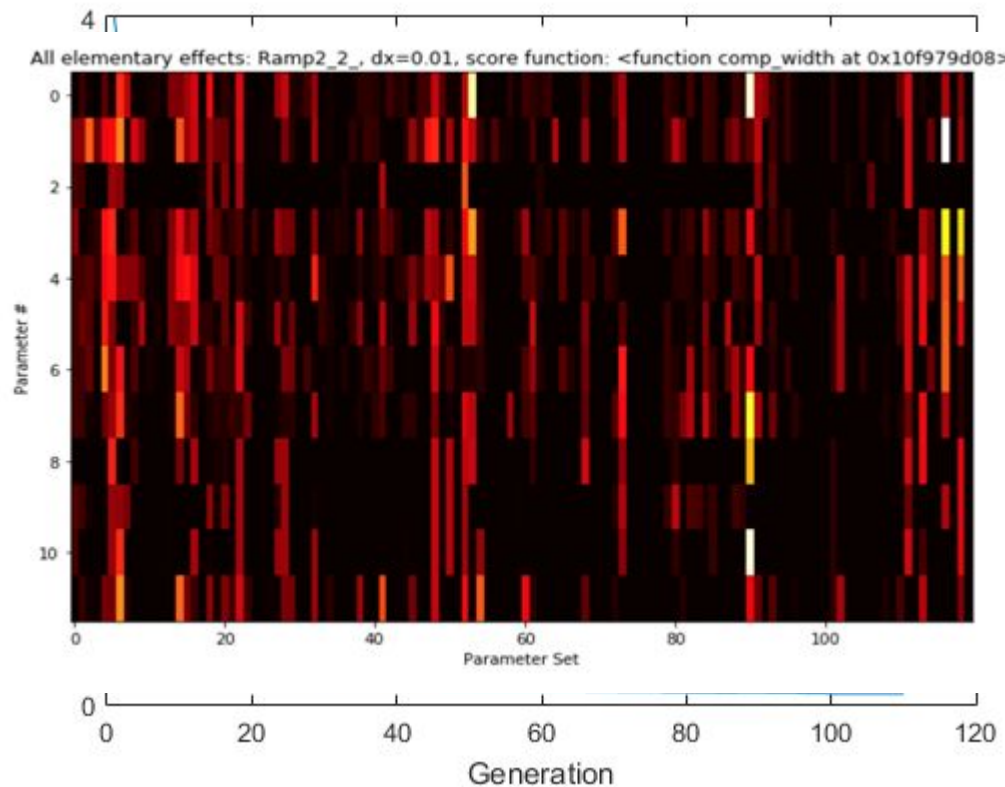
The actual parameters space has many local minima



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Combined score function constrains some but not all parameters

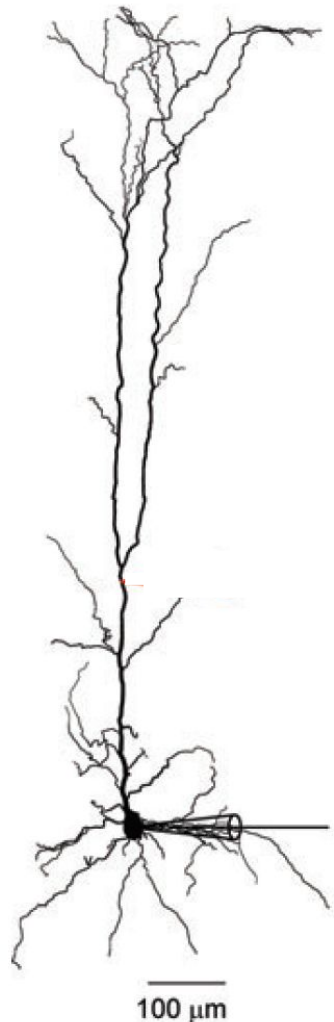


Alternatively we can separate parameters experimentally

Experimentally guided modelling of dendritic excitability in rat neocortical pyramidal neurones

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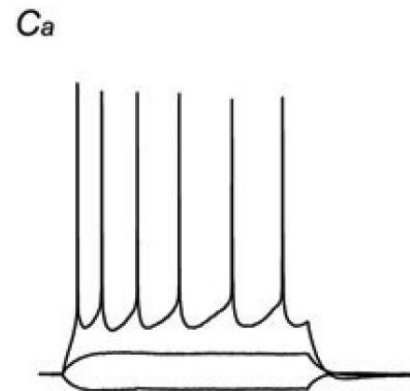


Step 3
(K-blockers)

Step 2(TTX)

Step 1

Reduction of
degeneracy



Parameters:

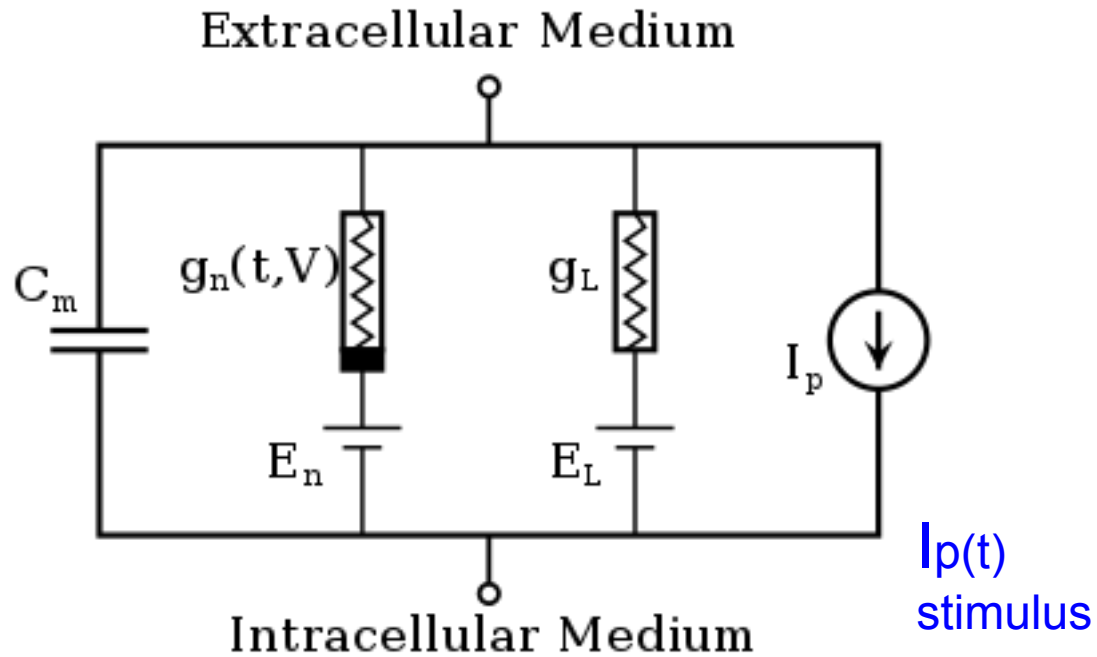
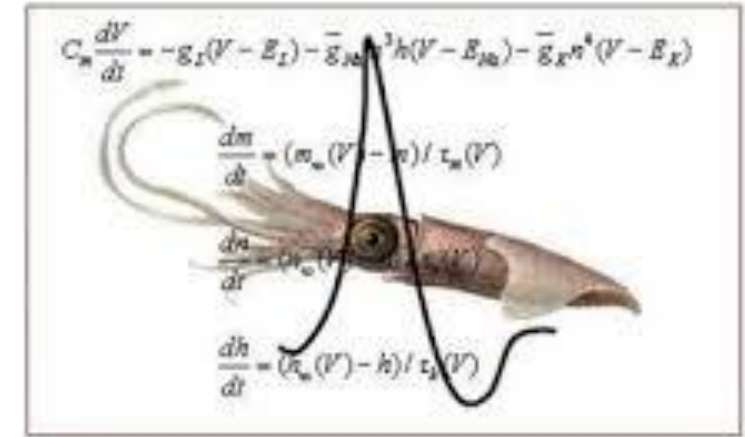
~~gna_dend~~
~~gna_soma~~
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gkv_soma
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gkm_dend

Passive parameters:

Cm
Rm
g_leak
g_lh

spherical cell with 2 ion channels

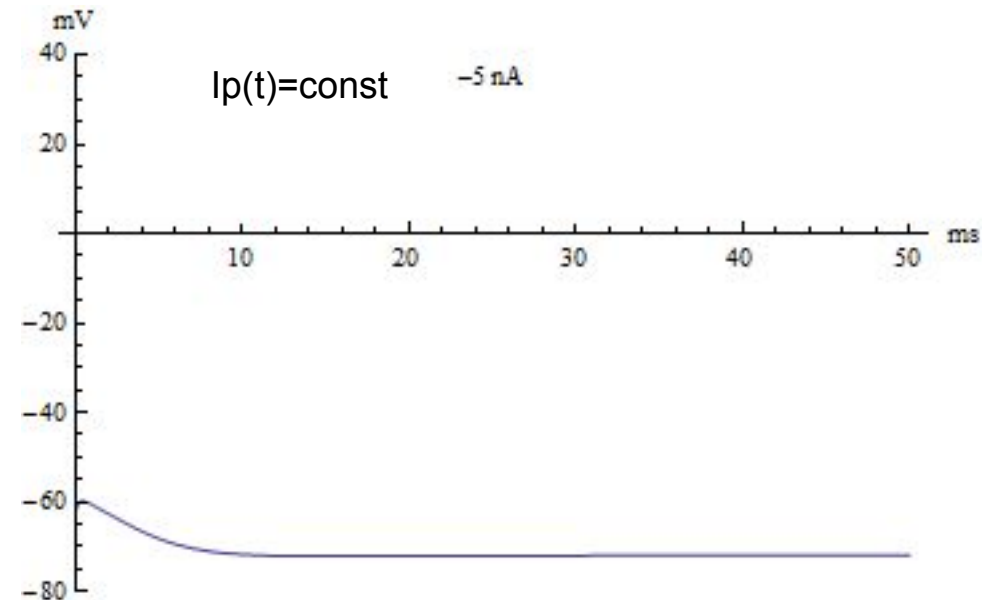
Hodgkin–Huxley 1953 model, Nobel Prize in 1963



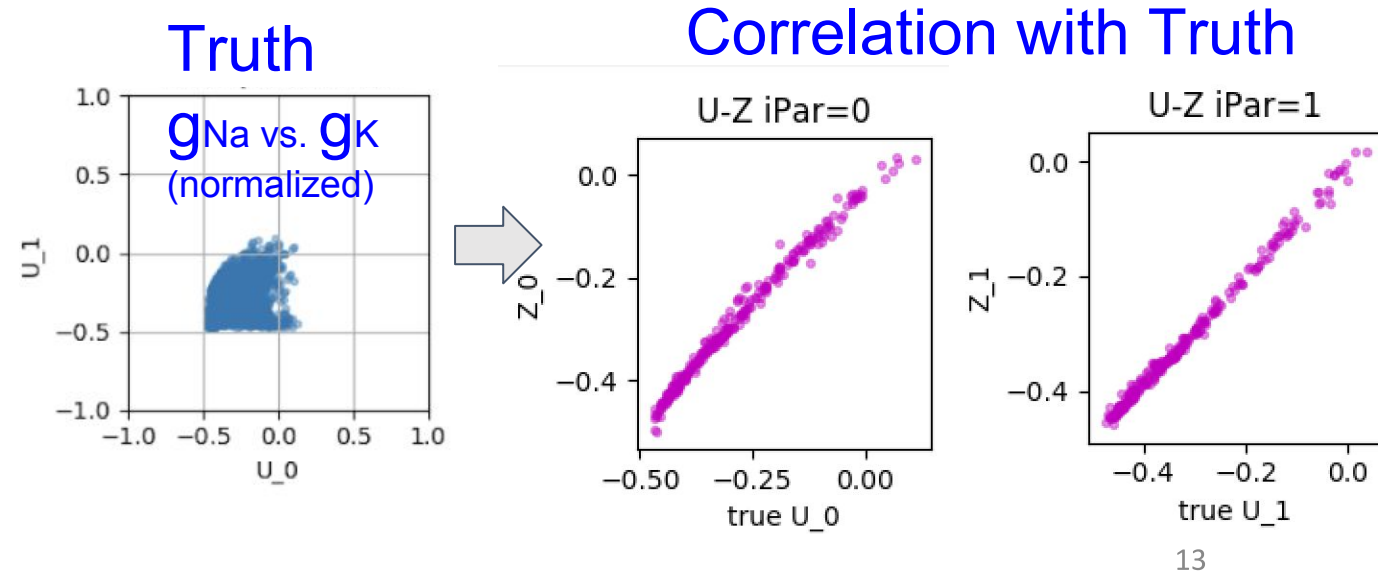
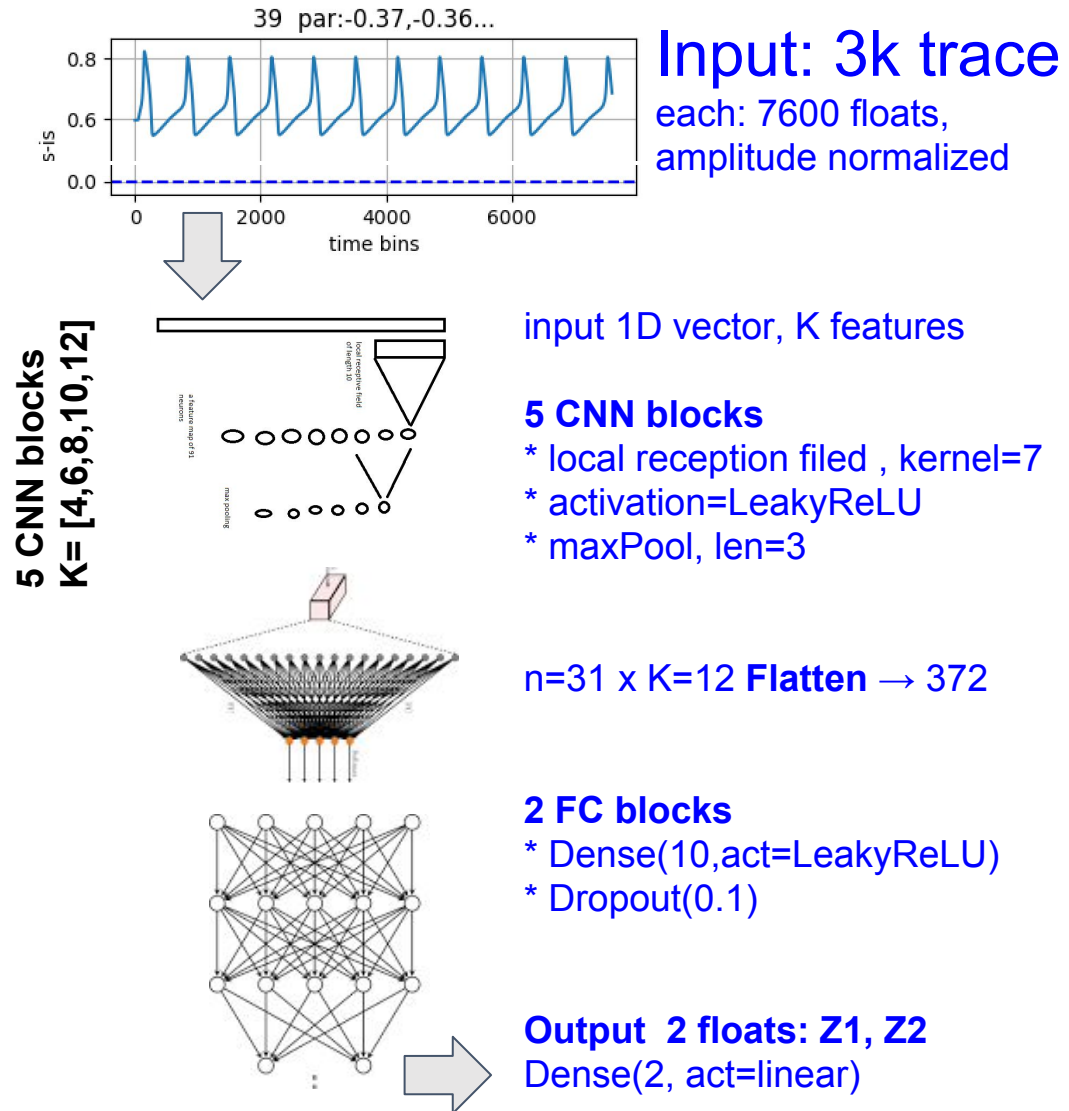
g_N - potassium conductivity
non-linear, hyperpolarization

g_L - sodium conductivity
linear ~leak, depolarization

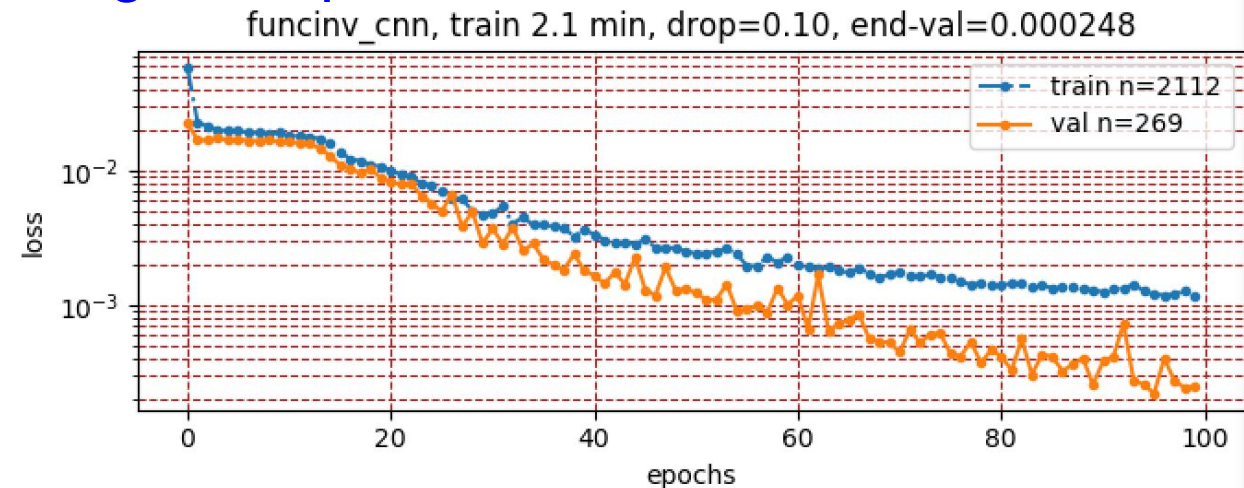
$$I = C_m \frac{dV_m}{dt} + g_K(V_m - V_K) + g_{Na}(V_m - V_{Na}) + g_L(V_m - V_L)$$



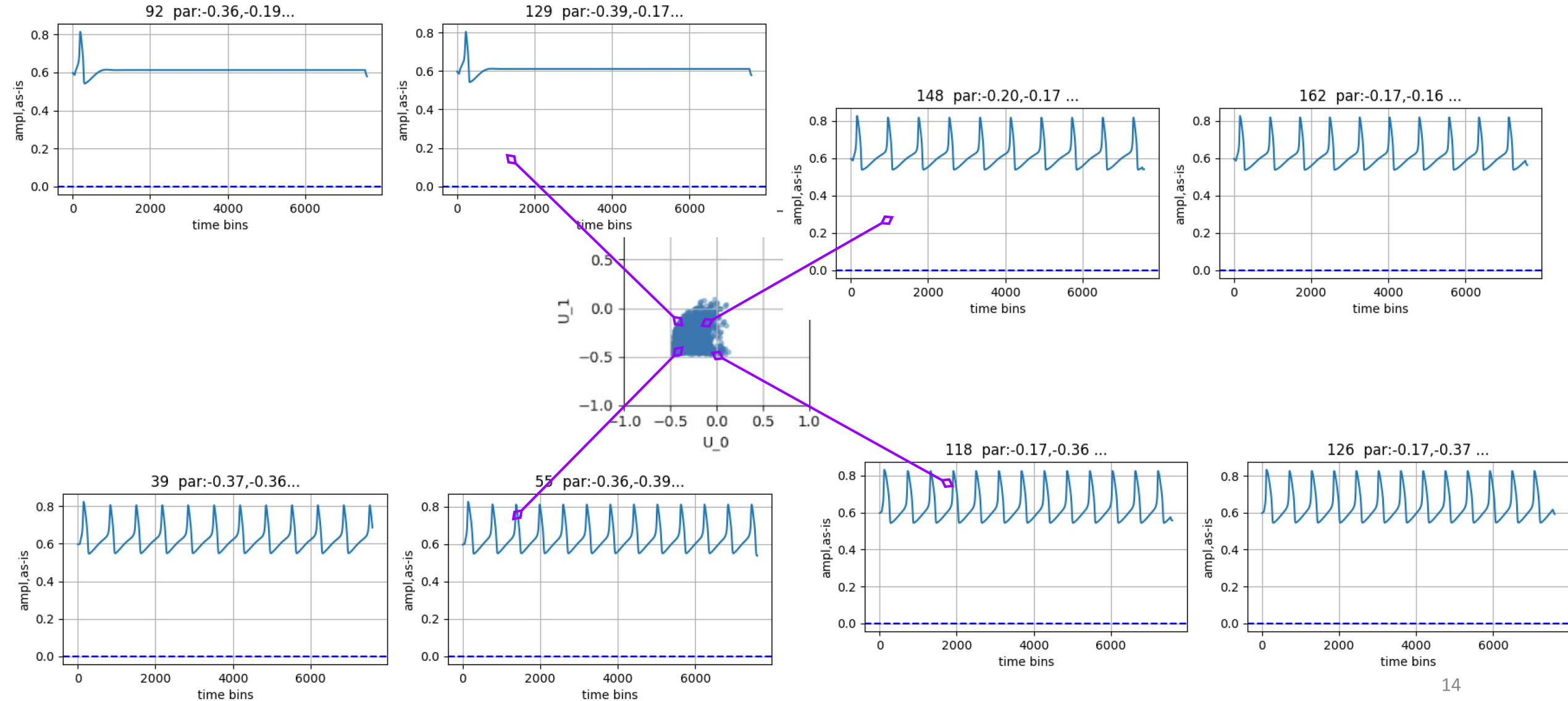
2D regression of modern HH model (leak is also nonlinear)



Training: 5.8k params, adam, MSE



Examples of traces for different param choice



Outlook

- Test ML-based regression on HH-cell model with higher dimension of parameter space
- Apply ML model to modern cell model w/ ~30 params
 - reduction of dimensionality to avoid degeneration
 - feature engineering
 - pre-training on HH cell-model
 - include stimulus in the training
- Extract cell params from empirical recordings from neurons