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Deep Learning

Tradeoff Between Learning and Programming



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DEEP LEARNING REVOLUTION

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The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Deep Learning in Artificial Intelligence

Attractor Model of Working Memory

Fig. 2. A firing rate model^{28,30,31,34} of delayperiod activity in networks of PFC neurons. (a) Structure of the network model. Two patterns ('cell assemblies,' green and yellow boxes) coding for two different objects are embedded in the symmetric synaptic weight matrix. Neurons within the same cell





assembly are connected reciprocally by high synaptic weights (w₊), whereas neurons not belonging to the same assembly are connected by low synaptic weights (w₋). Single neurons might participate in more than one cell assembly (green/yellow box; this has also been observed experimentally^{40,63}). In addition to these local recurrent excitatory connections, there is a global feedback inhibition (IN) driven by input from the excitatory neurons that allows only one pattern to stay active at a time, and an external afferent input (I_{aff}) to each unit in the network. Model neurons *i* are described by their total synaptic input current $I_{i'}$ which evolves in time according to the leaky-integrator differential equation:

$$\tau_{l} dl_{i}/dt = -l_{i} + \Sigma w_{ii} R(l_{i}) - G[\Sigma R(l_{i})] + l_{aff}$$
(1)

where τ_i is the integration time constant, $w_{ij} \in \{w_{-}, w_{+}\}$ is the strength of the synaptic connection from unit *j* to unit *i*, $R(I_j)$ is the firing rate of neuron *j*, *G* is feedback inhibition that depends on the overall activity level in the network, and I_{aff} is the afferent input. The firing rate of a neuron is assumed to be $R(I_i) = 0$ as long as I_i stays below some firing threshold $\theta_{exc'}$ and $R(I_i) = \ln(I_i/\theta_{exc})$ as soon as I_i crosses the threshold. (Other choices for *R* are possible.) Self-sustaining states (fixed points) of the system are given by the condition that

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A back-propagation programmed network that simulates response properties of a subset of posterior parietal neurons

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Transfer from Rate to Spiking RNNs



Continuous RNN

$$\tau_m \frac{dv_i}{dt} = -v_i + (x_i + I_{ext})R$$

LIF RNN

$$\tau_i^s \frac{dx_i}{dt} = -x_i + \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij} \sum_{t_{jk} < t} \delta(t - t_{jk})$$

 τ_m (membrane time constant; 10 ms), v_i (membrane voltage), x_i (synaptic input current), I_{ext} (external input current), R (leak resistance; 1), τ_i^s (synaptic decay time constant of unit i), w_{ij} (synaptic connection weight from unit j to unit i)

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Delayed Match-to-Sample Task



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Binned Spike Autocorrelation



A (amplitude) and B (offset) of the exponential decay fit

Comparing PFC Neurons to RNN Units



Comparing PFC and RNN Discriminability



Split A

Inhibitory Subgroups Key to Decision?



Disinhibition Model of Working Memory



Two-Alternative Forced Choice (AFC) Task

RNN Cross Training

PFC Timescales for a Passive Task

Fano Factor Increases with Strength of Inhibition

Variability Is Driven by Inhibition

Trial-to-Trial Variability and Autocorrelation

Fano Factor Increases with Timescale

PV and SST Interneurons in Hierarchical Gradients

Cortical Hierarchy

Kim et al., Cell 2017

Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk

The Wright Brothers – David McCullough – 2016

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Thank You