



Sensorimotor Transformations in Neural and Neuromorphic Systems



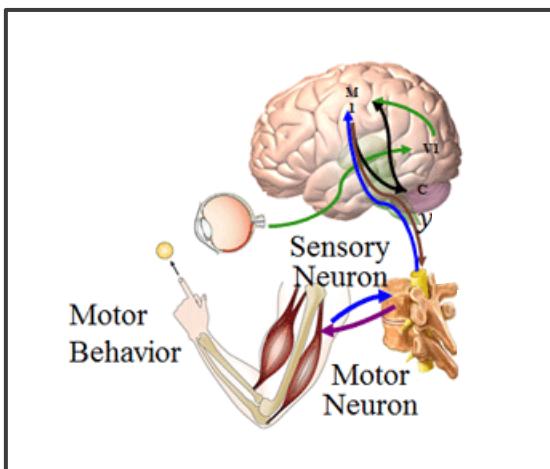
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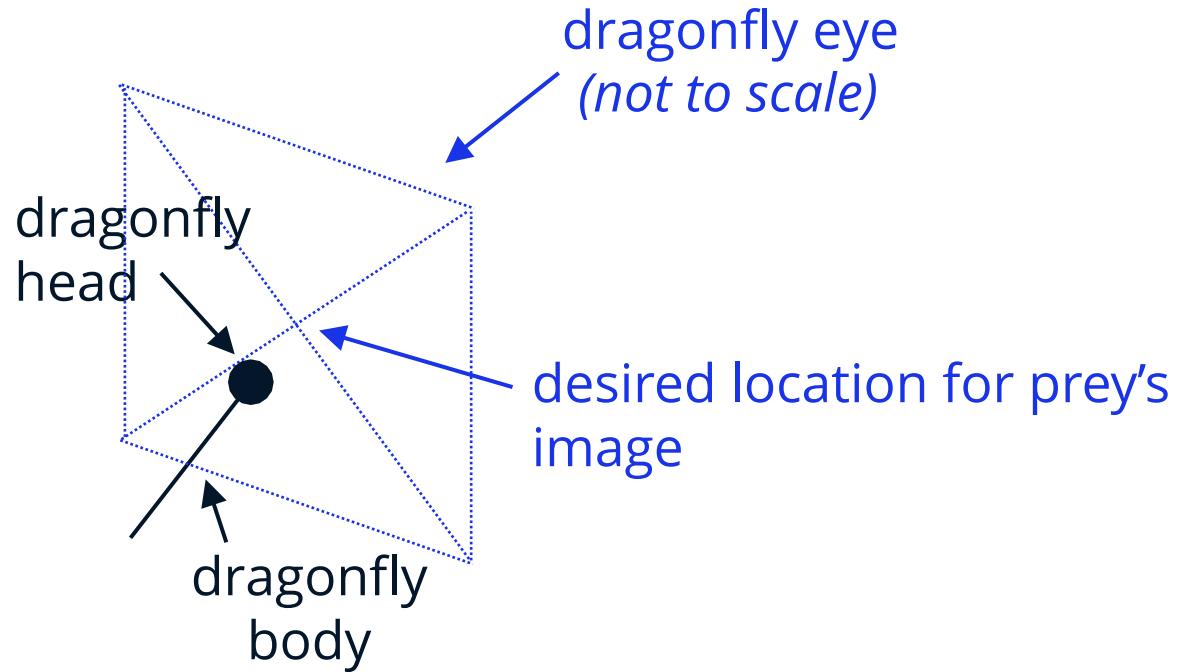


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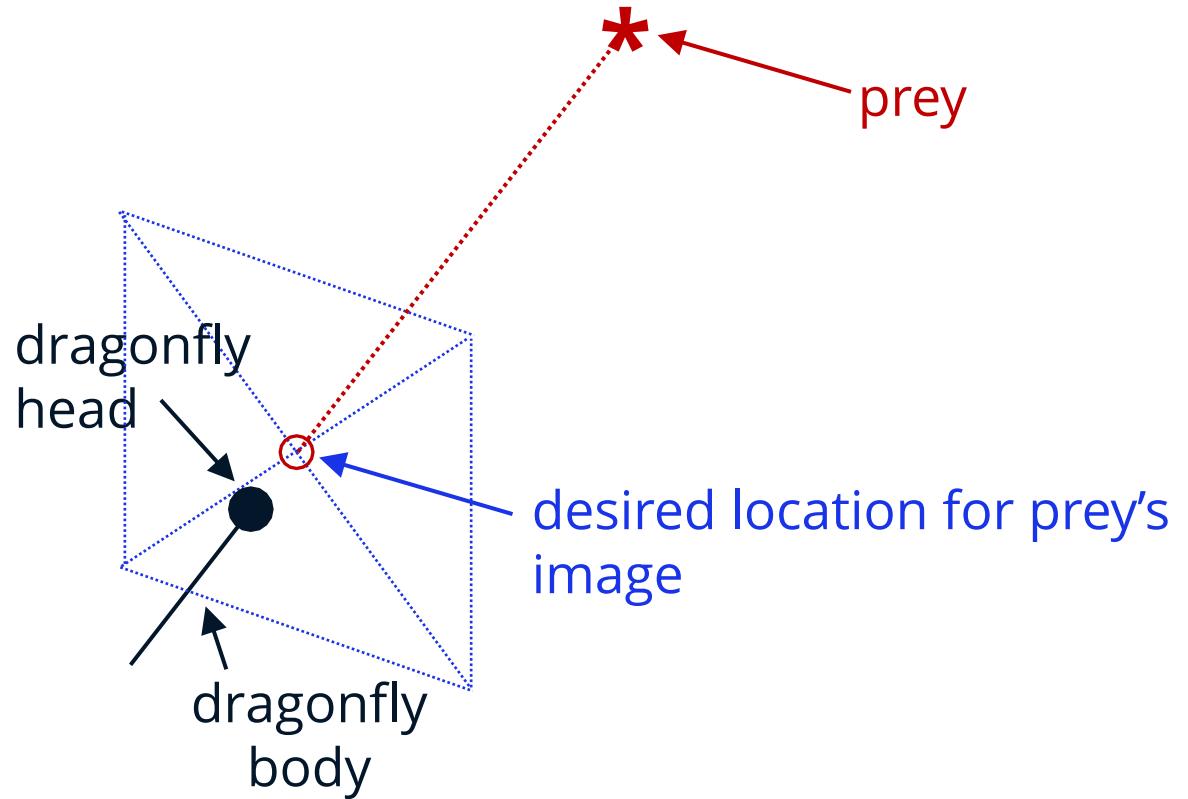
Sensorimotor transformations are essential for survival



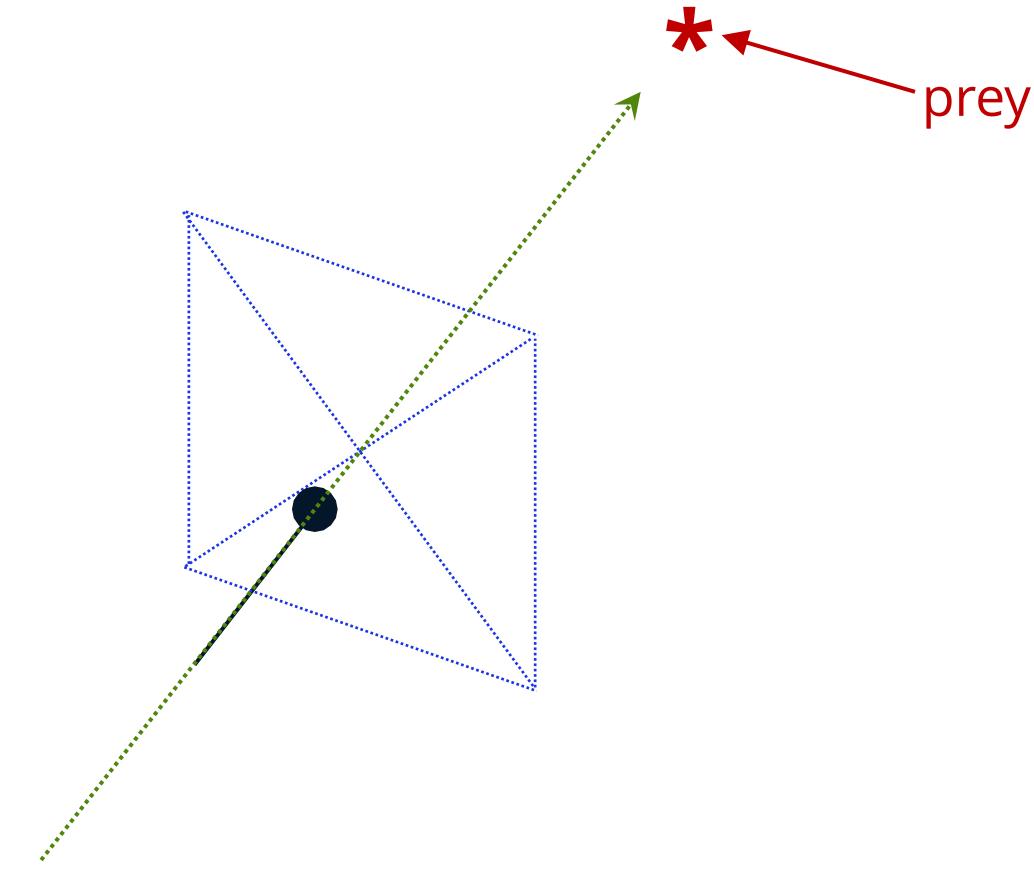
Building a model dragonfly



Model dragonfly turns to keep prey's image at eye's center

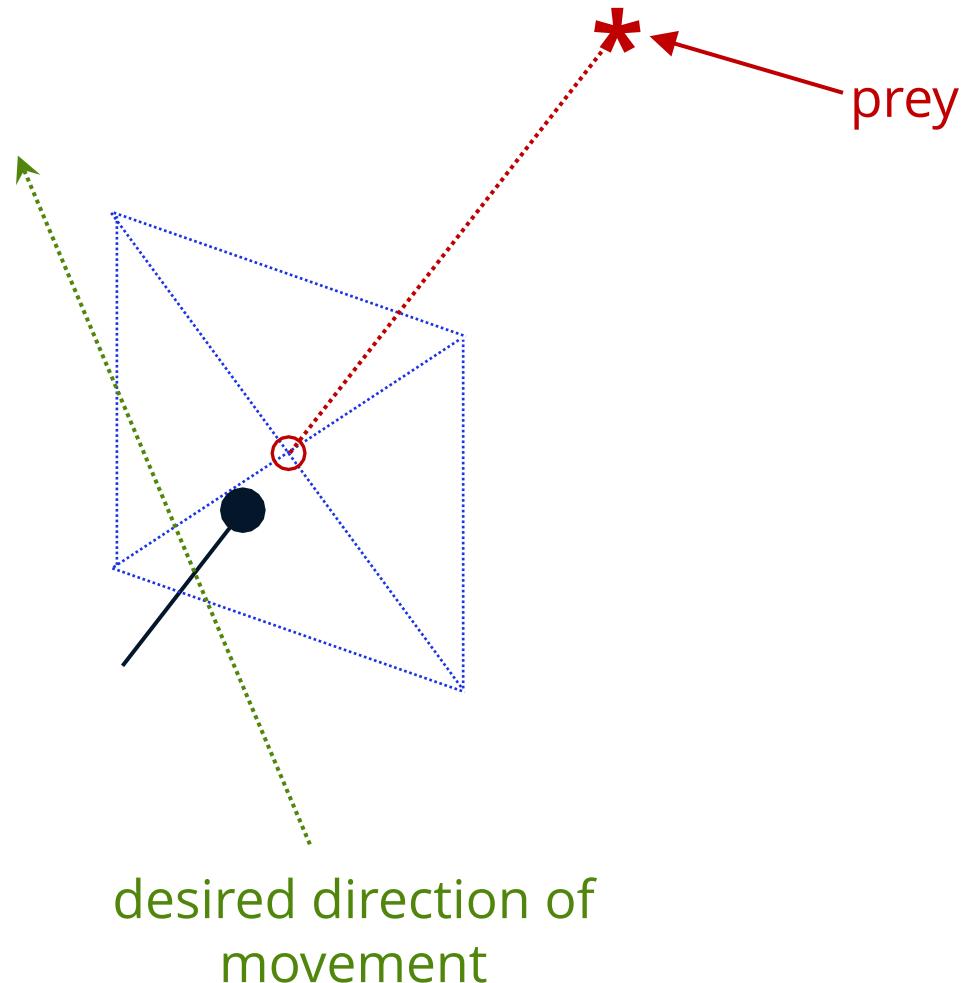


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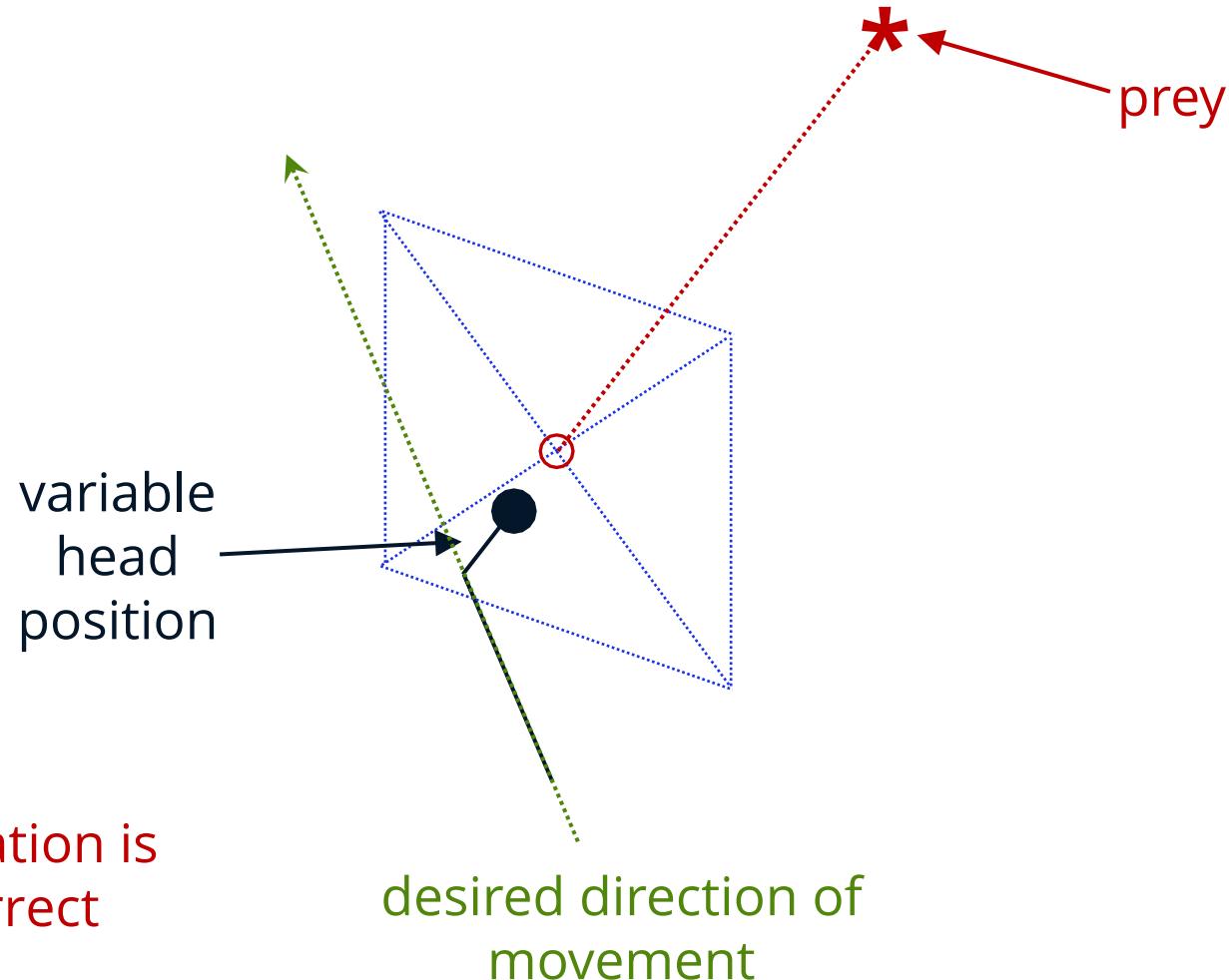


desired direction of
movement

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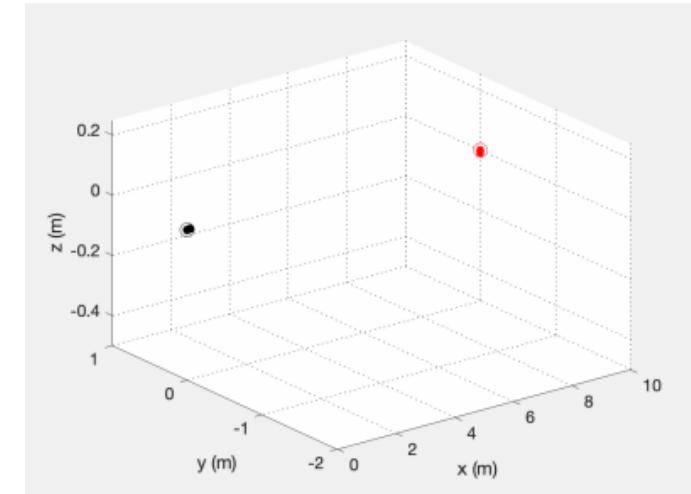
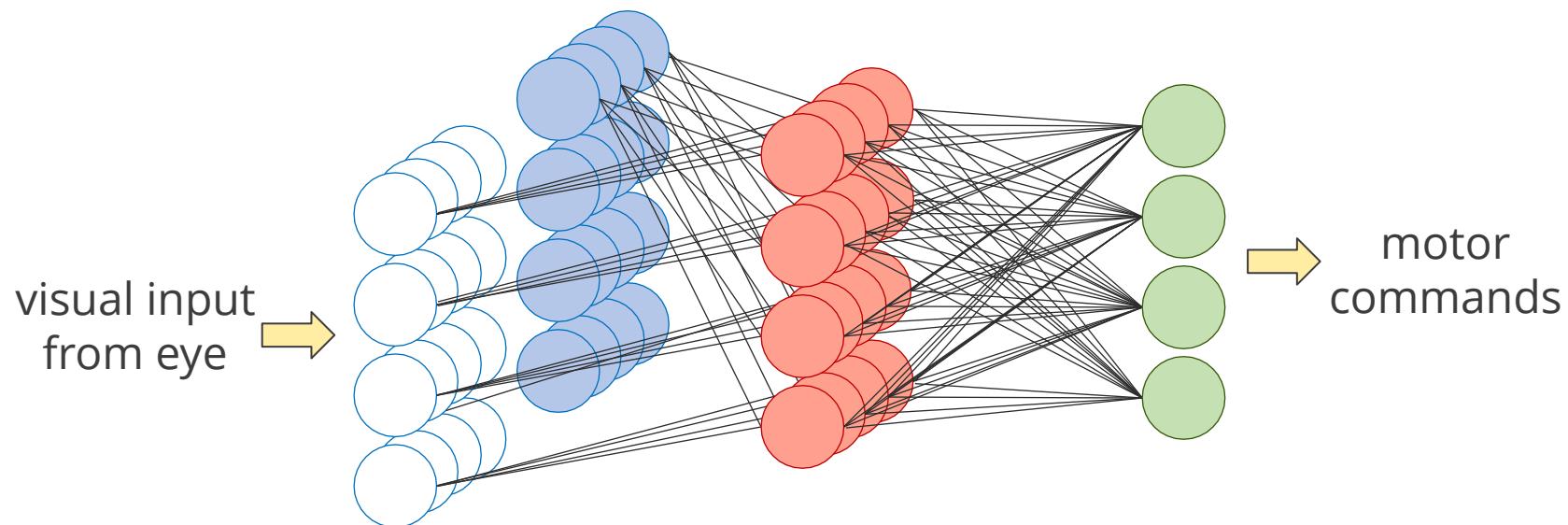


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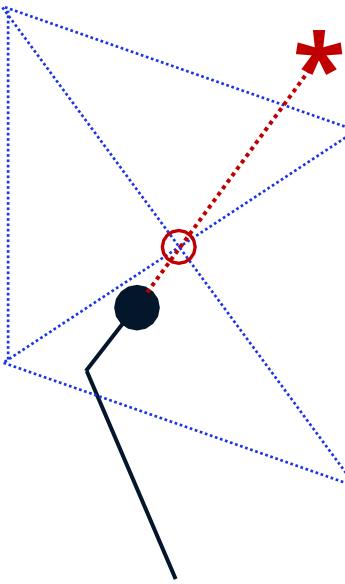
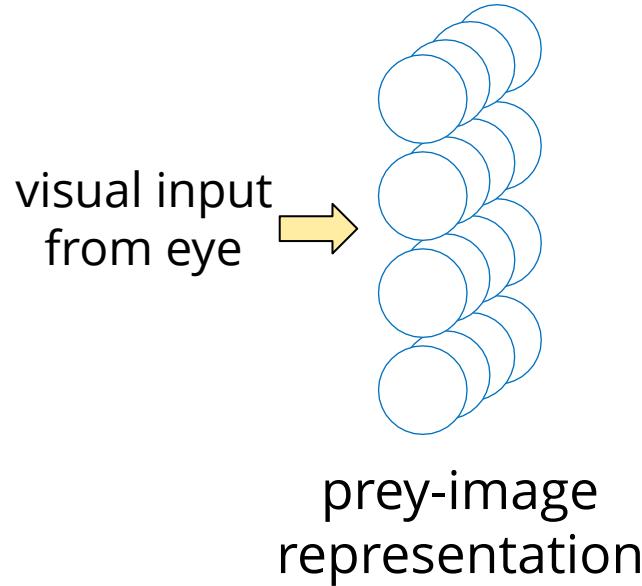


A sensorimotor transformation is required for calculating correct motor commands

Neural network model for dragonfly sensorimotor transformations



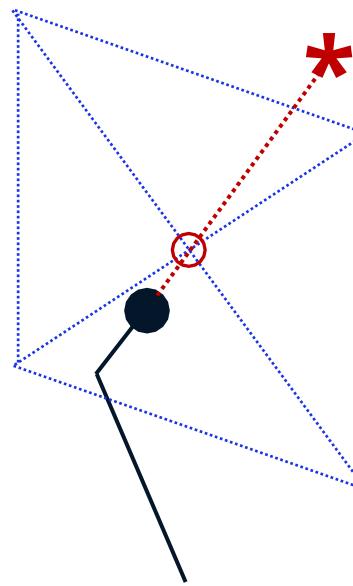
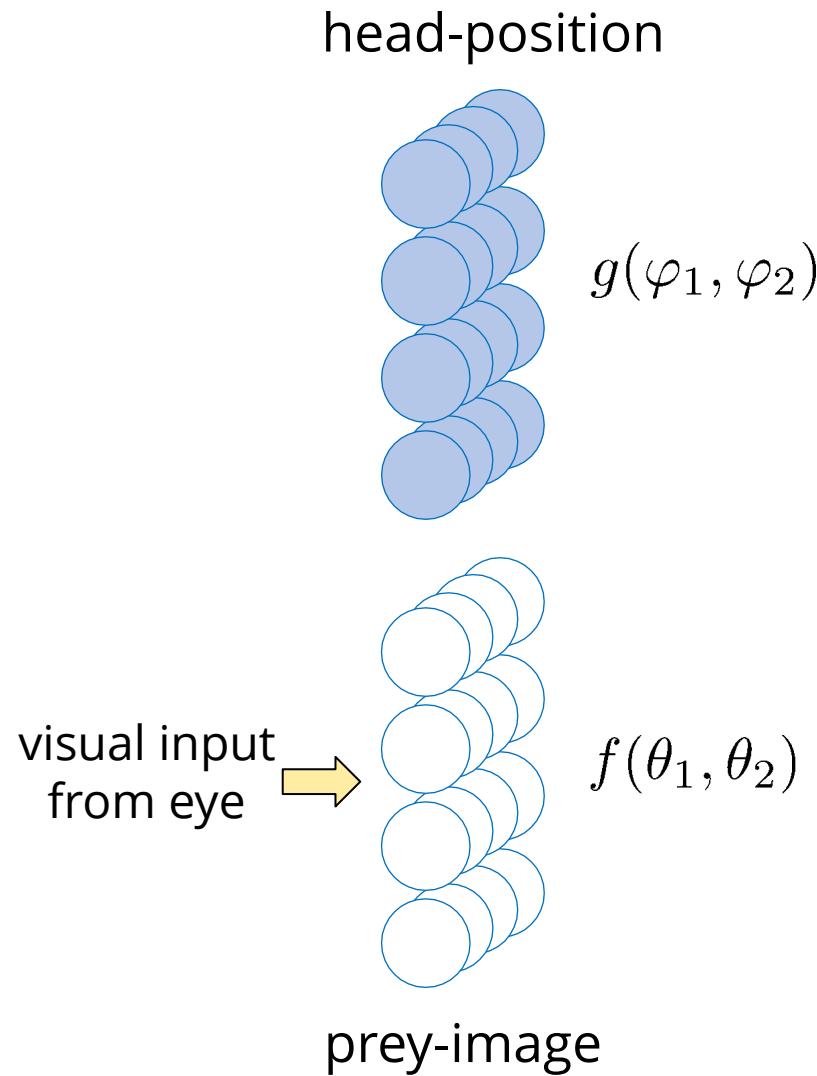
Neural network model receives visual input from eye



Model automatically adjusts head position to keep prey-image at eye center

$$f(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \frac{\exp(\kappa_f (\cos(\theta_1 - \mu_1) + \cos(\theta_2 - \mu_2)))}{4\pi^2 I_0(\kappa_f)^2}$$

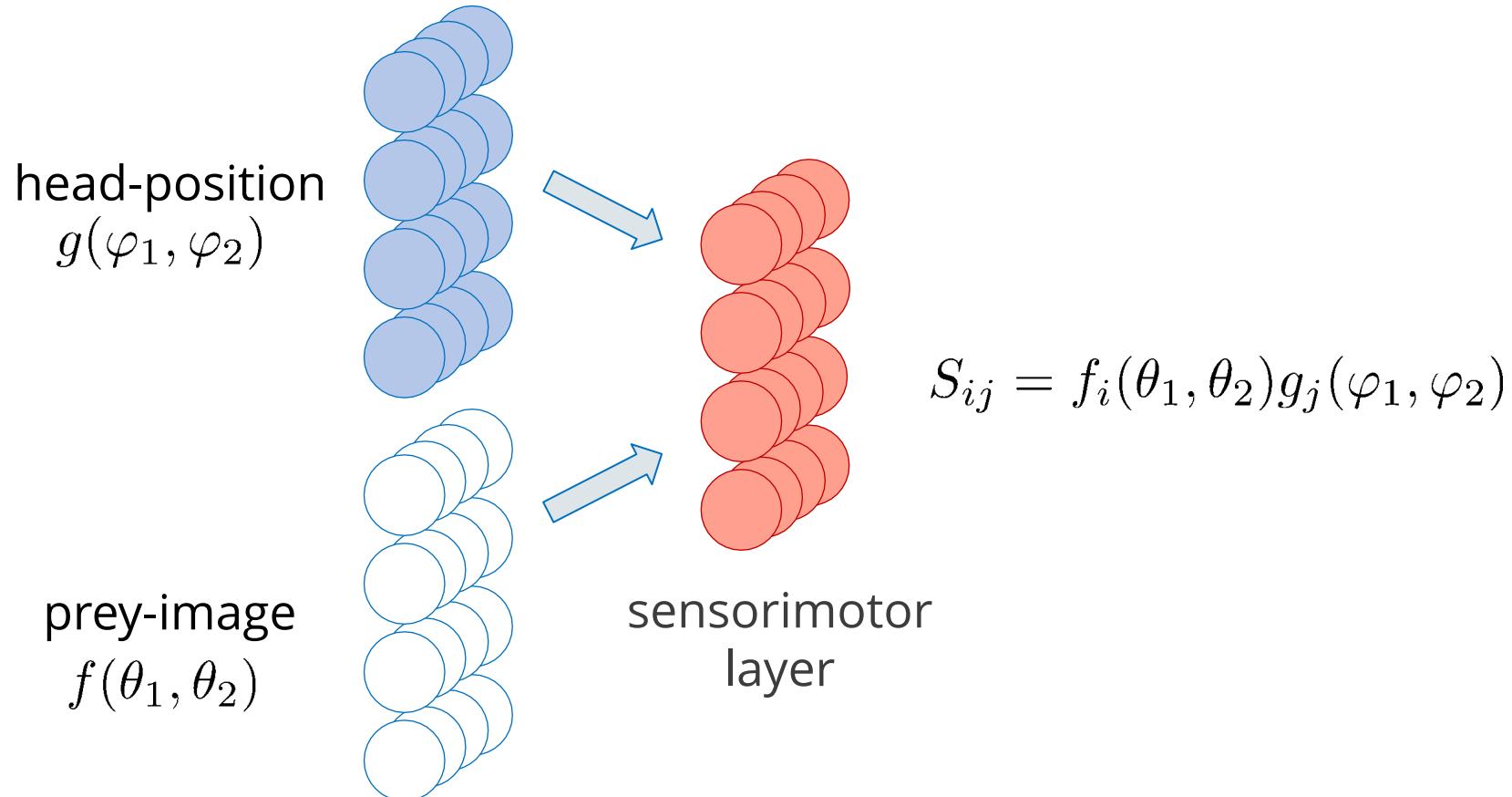
Head-position neurons encode head angle



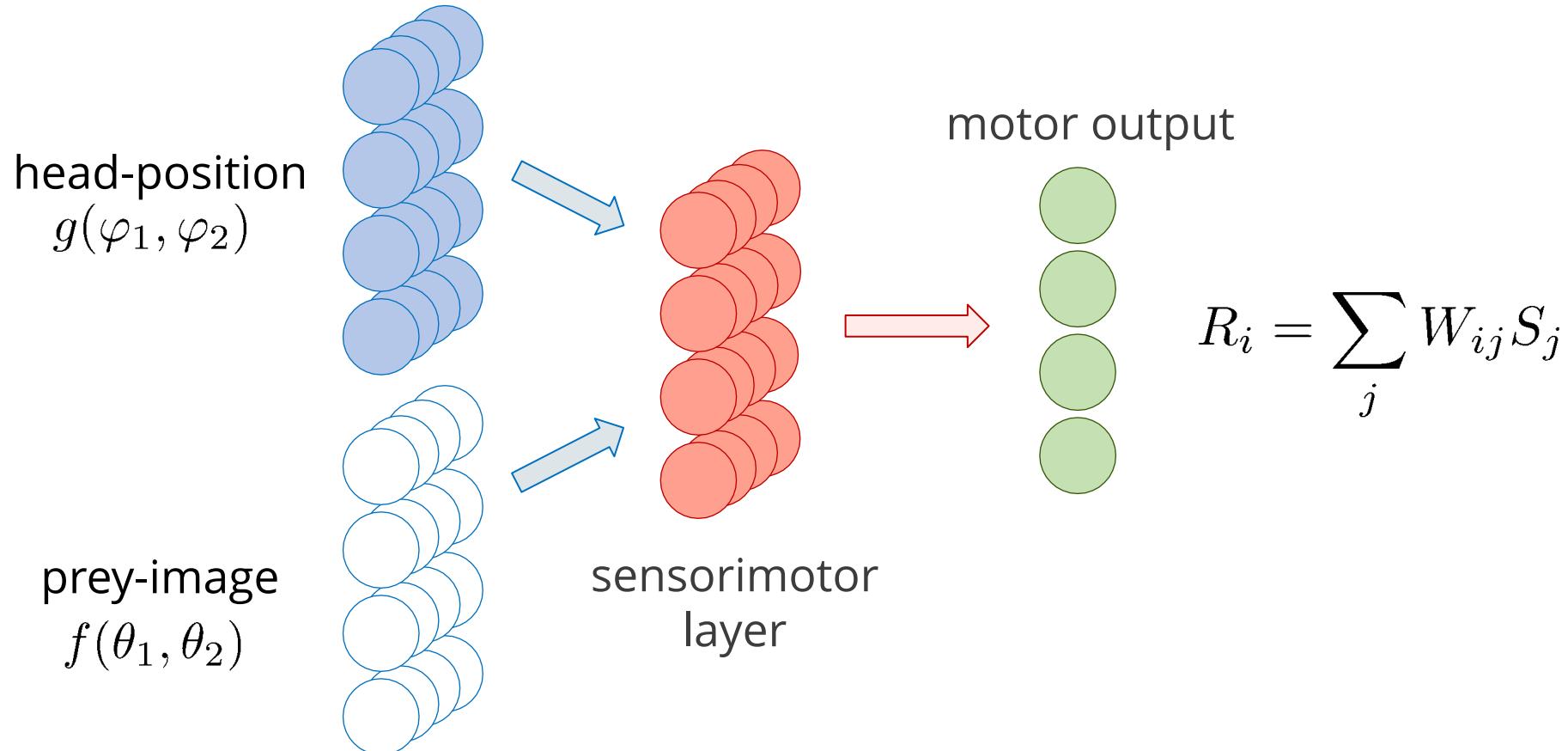
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Head-position neurons encode desired head angle relative to body

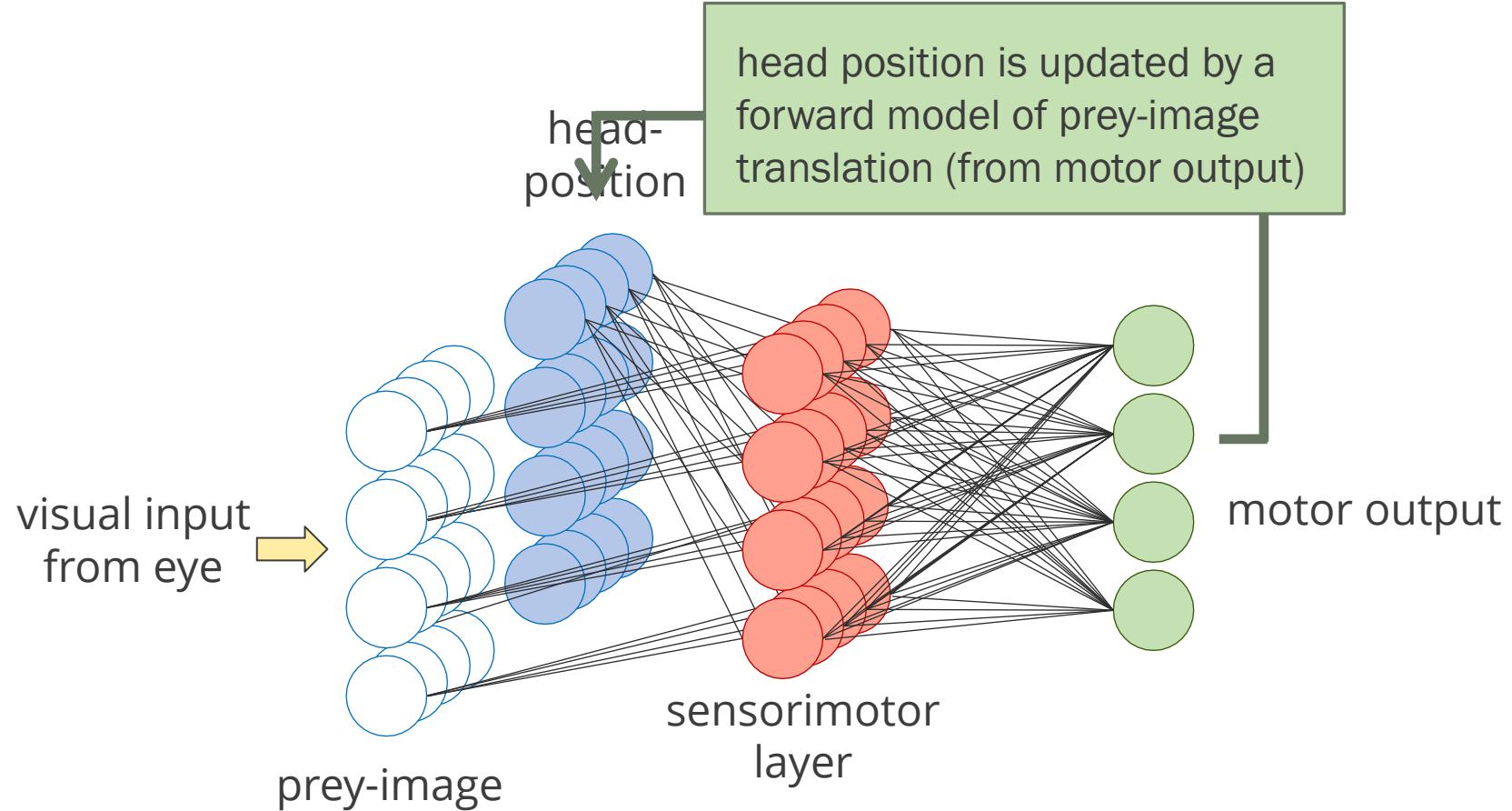
Sensorimotor layer multiplicatively combines visual and head-position information



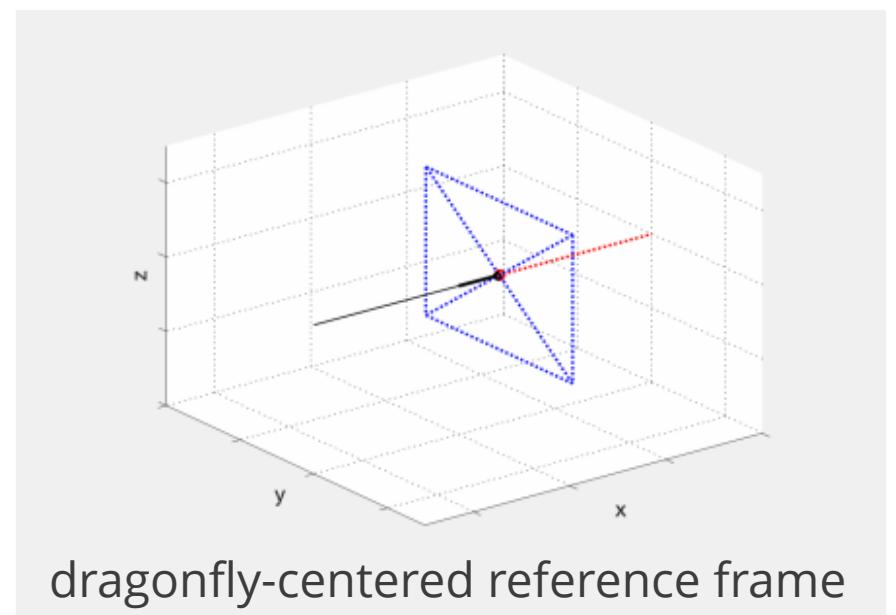
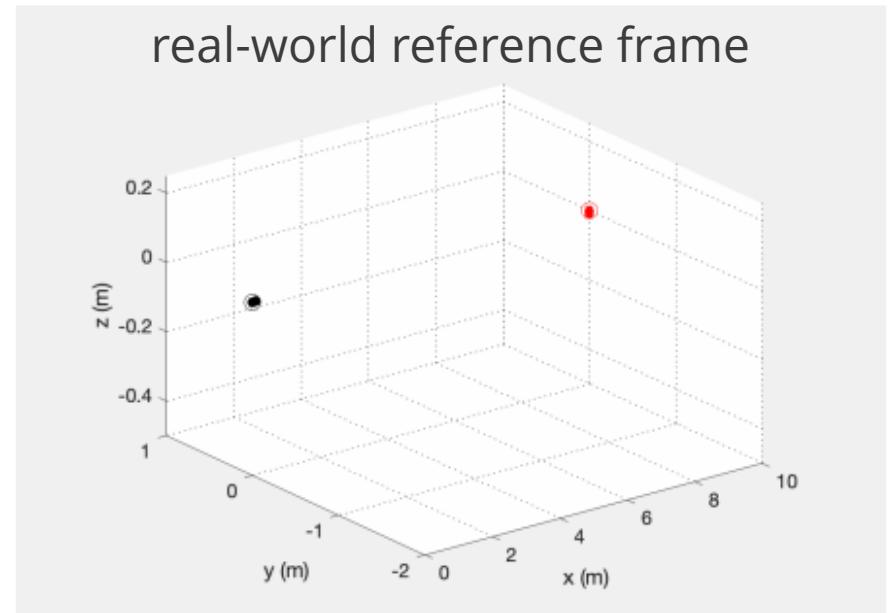
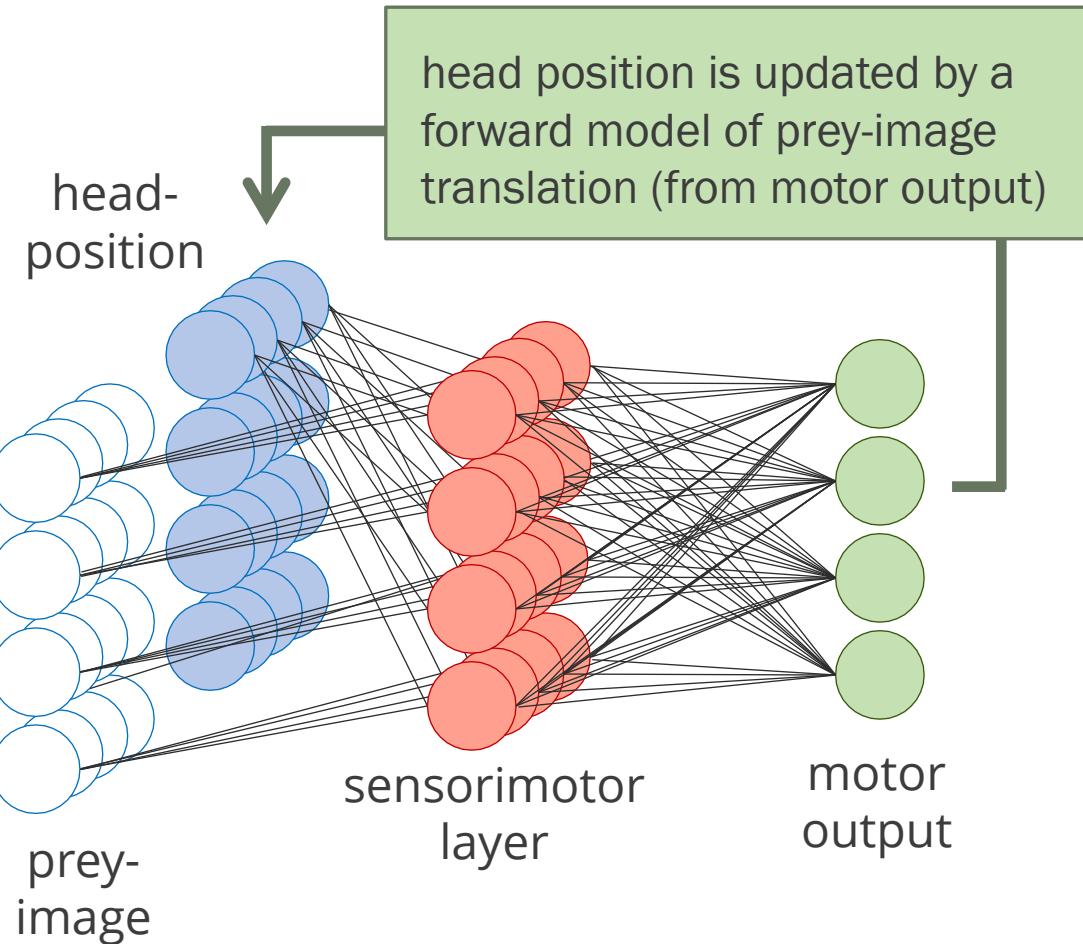
Motor output is a weighted sum of input from sensorimotor layer



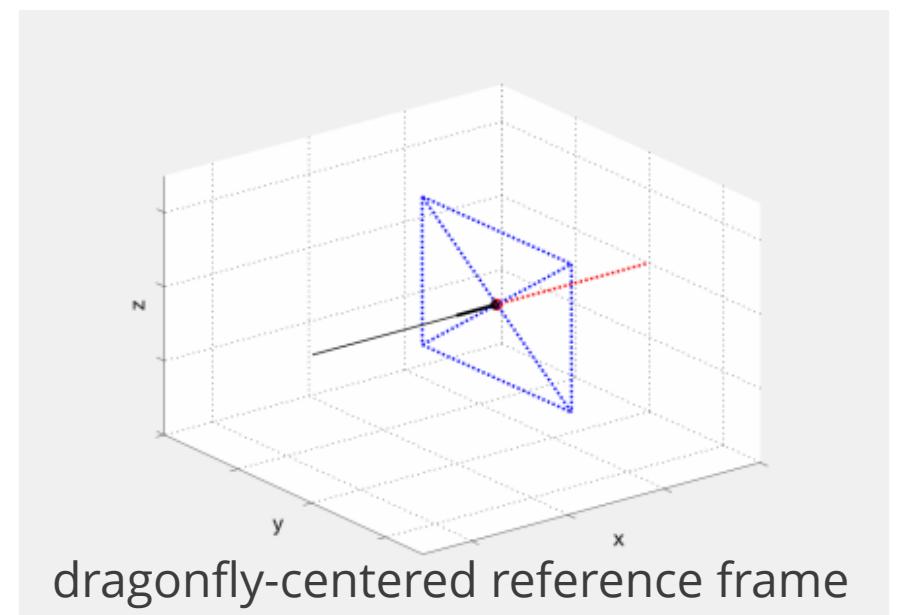
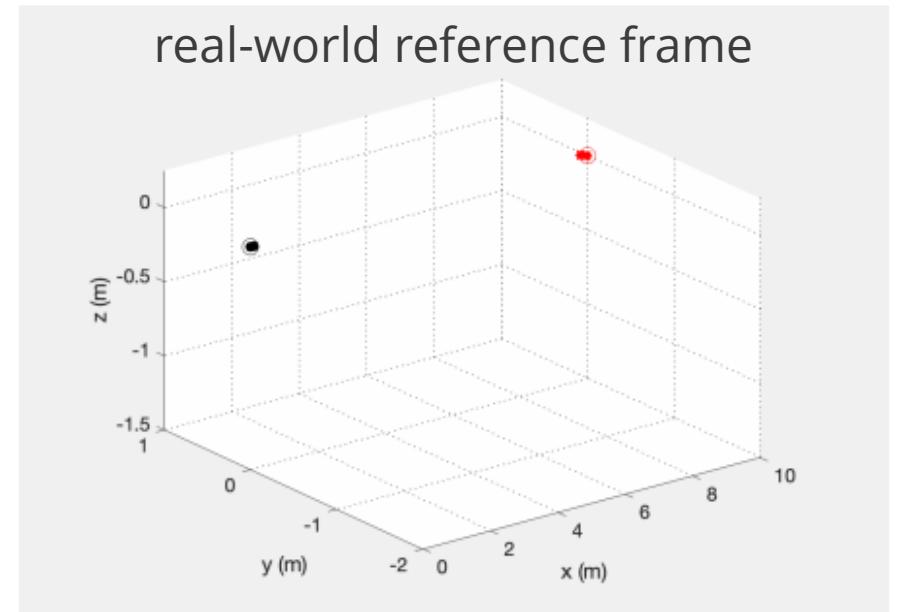
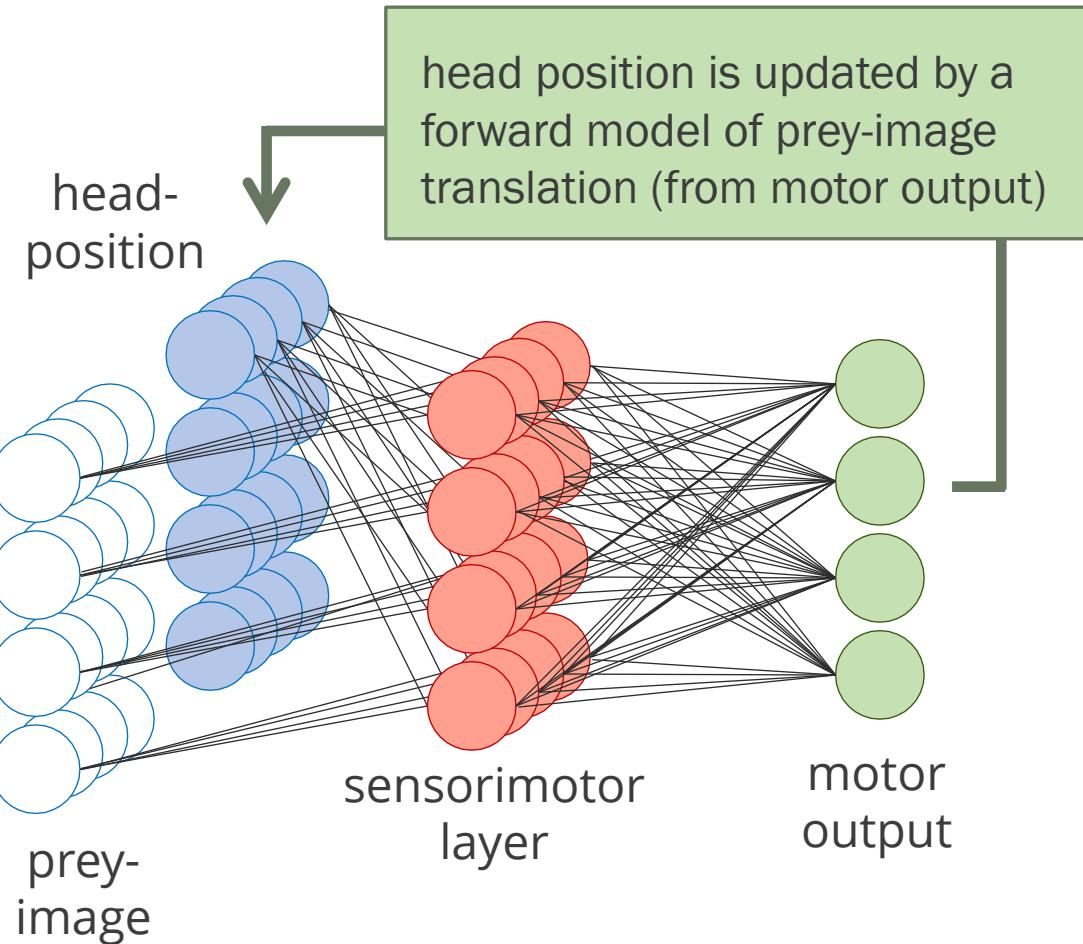
Forward model of prey-image drift updates head position



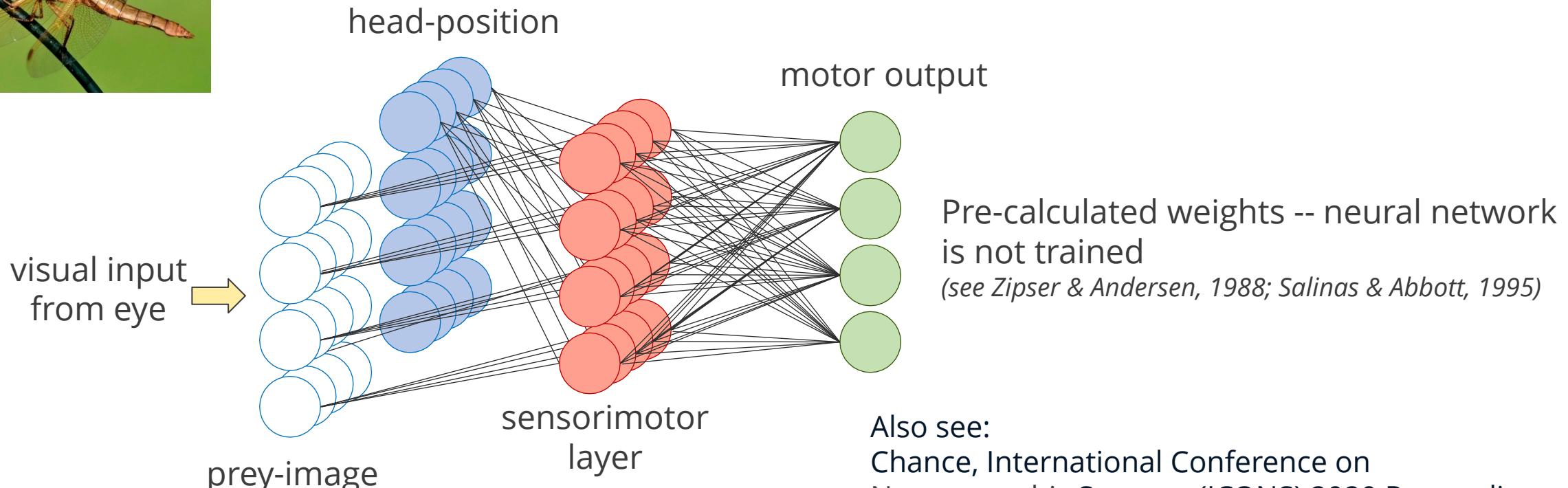
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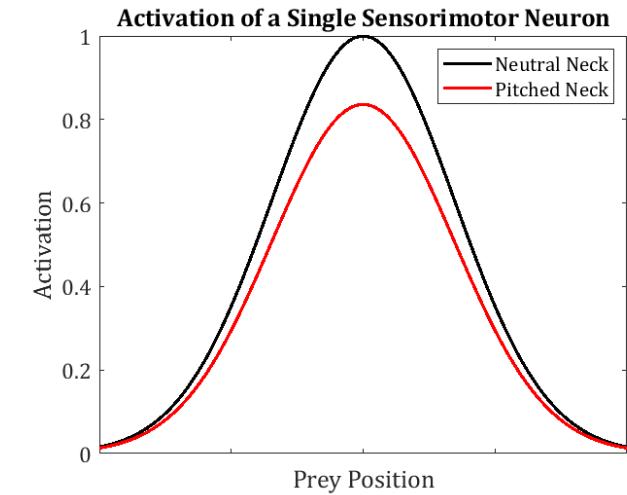
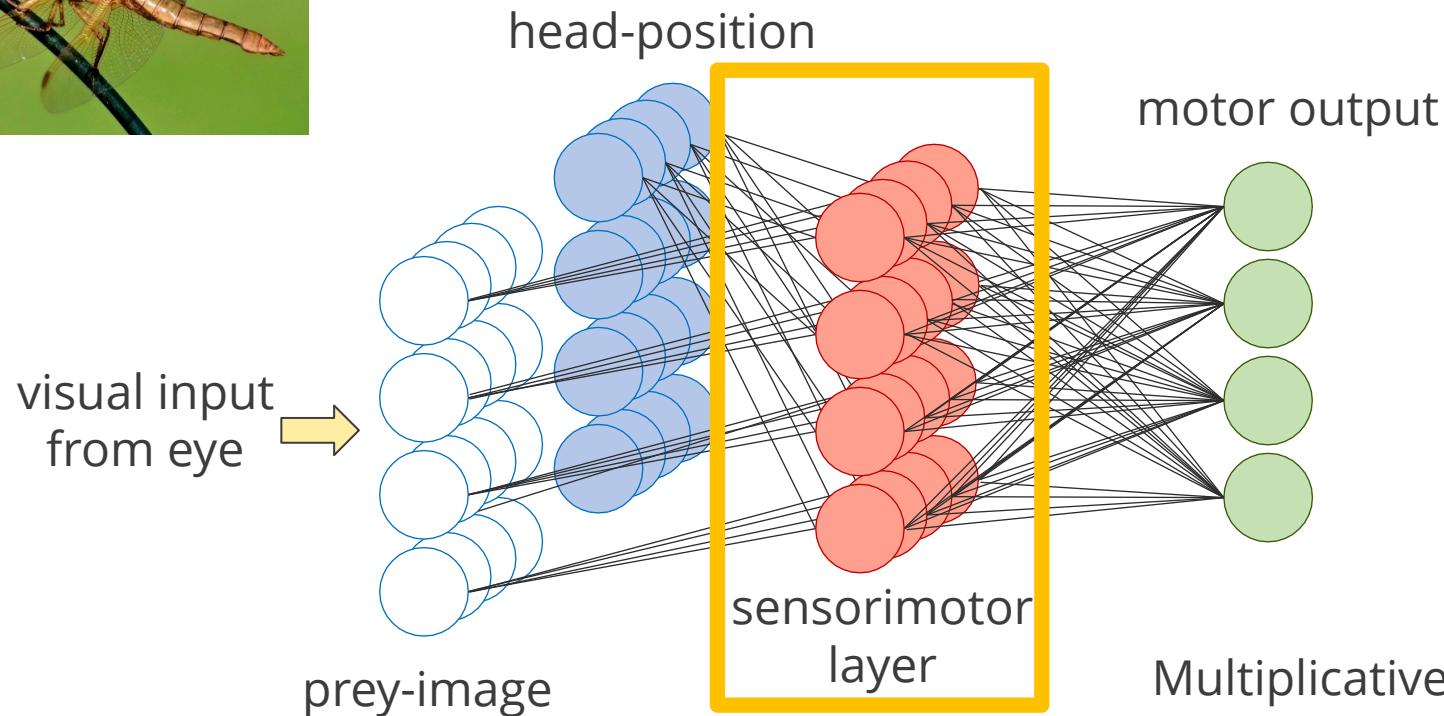


Pre-calculated weights -- neural network is not trained
(see Zipser & Andersen, 1988; Salinas & Abbott, 1995)

Also see:
Chance, International Conference on Neuromorphic Systems (ICONS) 2020 Proceedings

Plunkett & Chance, Neuro-Inspired Computing Elements (NICE) 2023 Proceedings

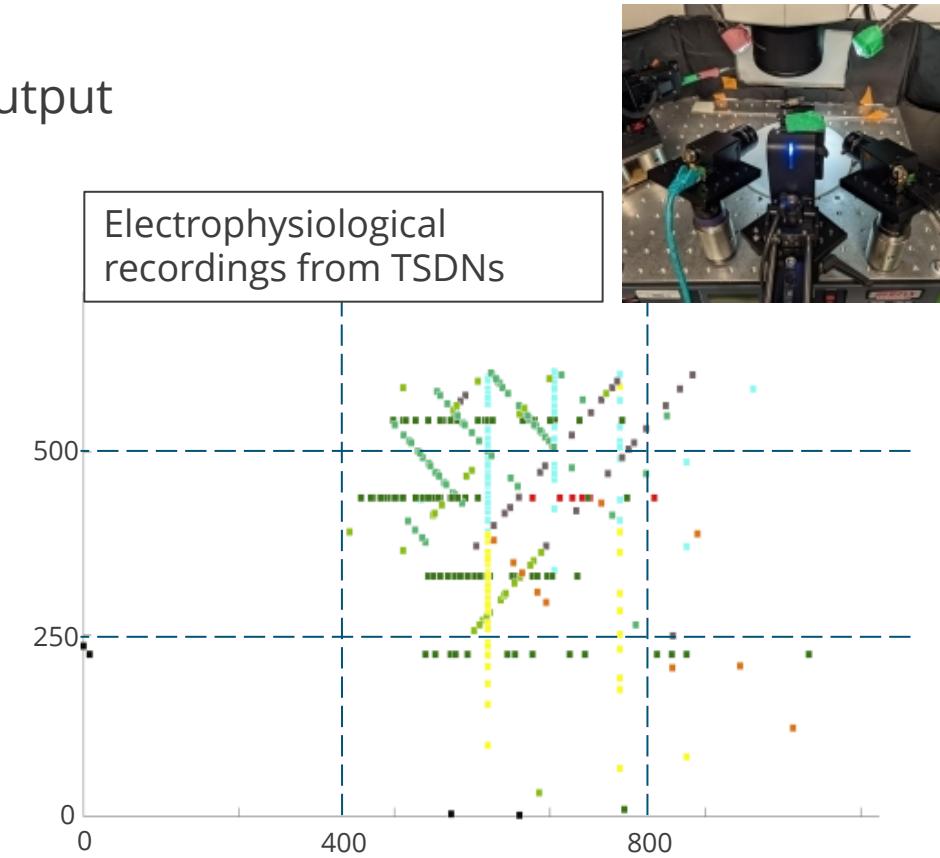
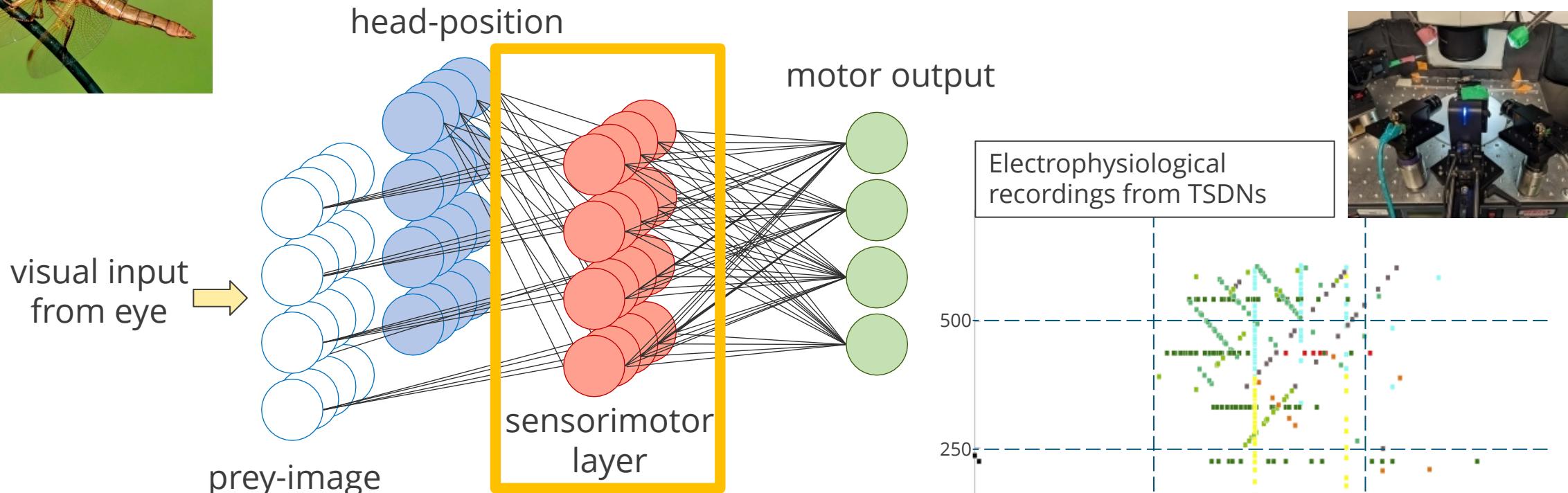
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Multiplicative integration of visual and proprioceptive information

... reminiscent of gain fields observed in parietal cortex (Andersen and Mountcastle 1983)

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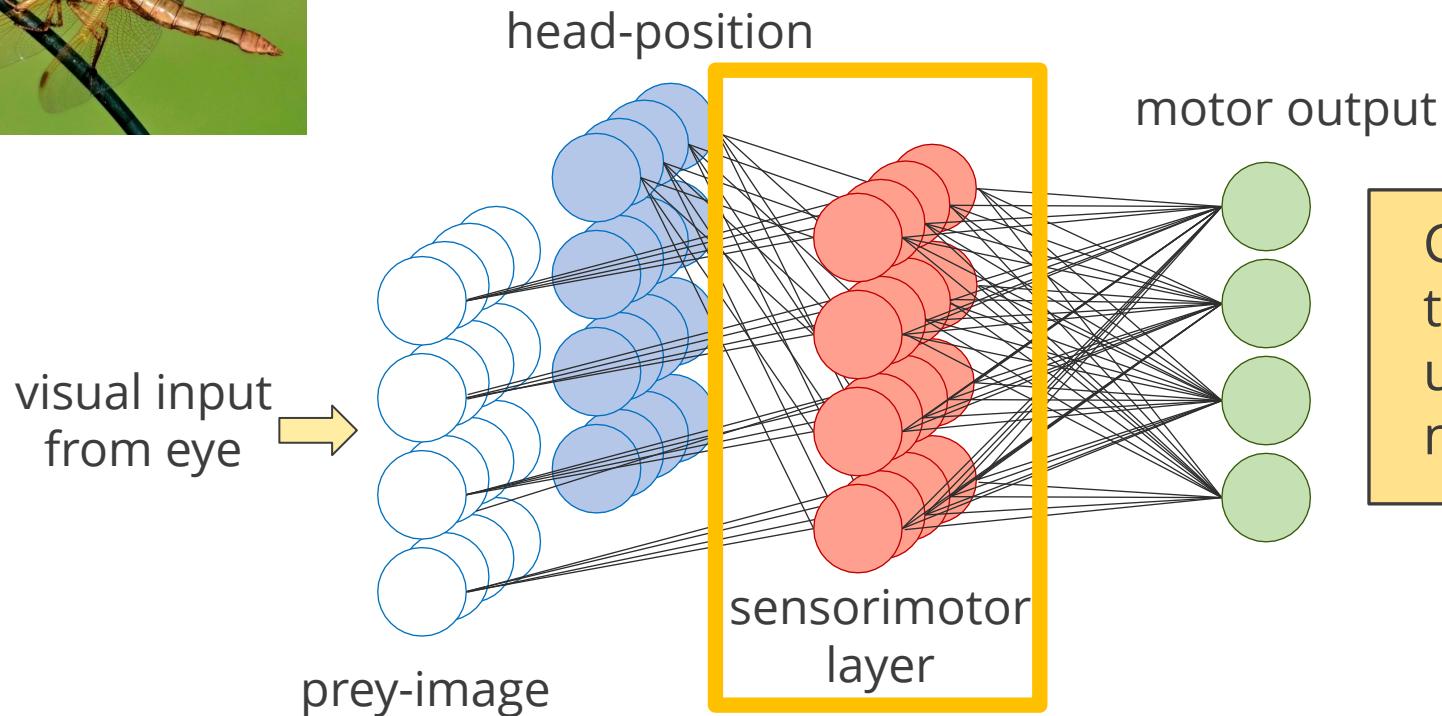
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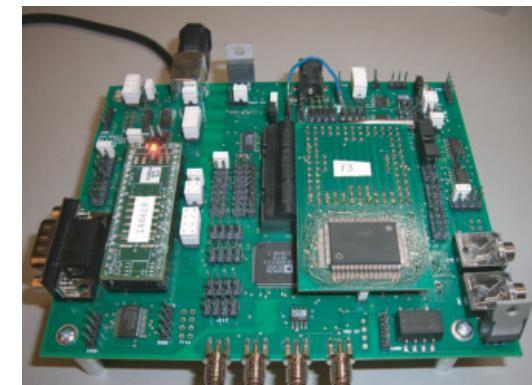


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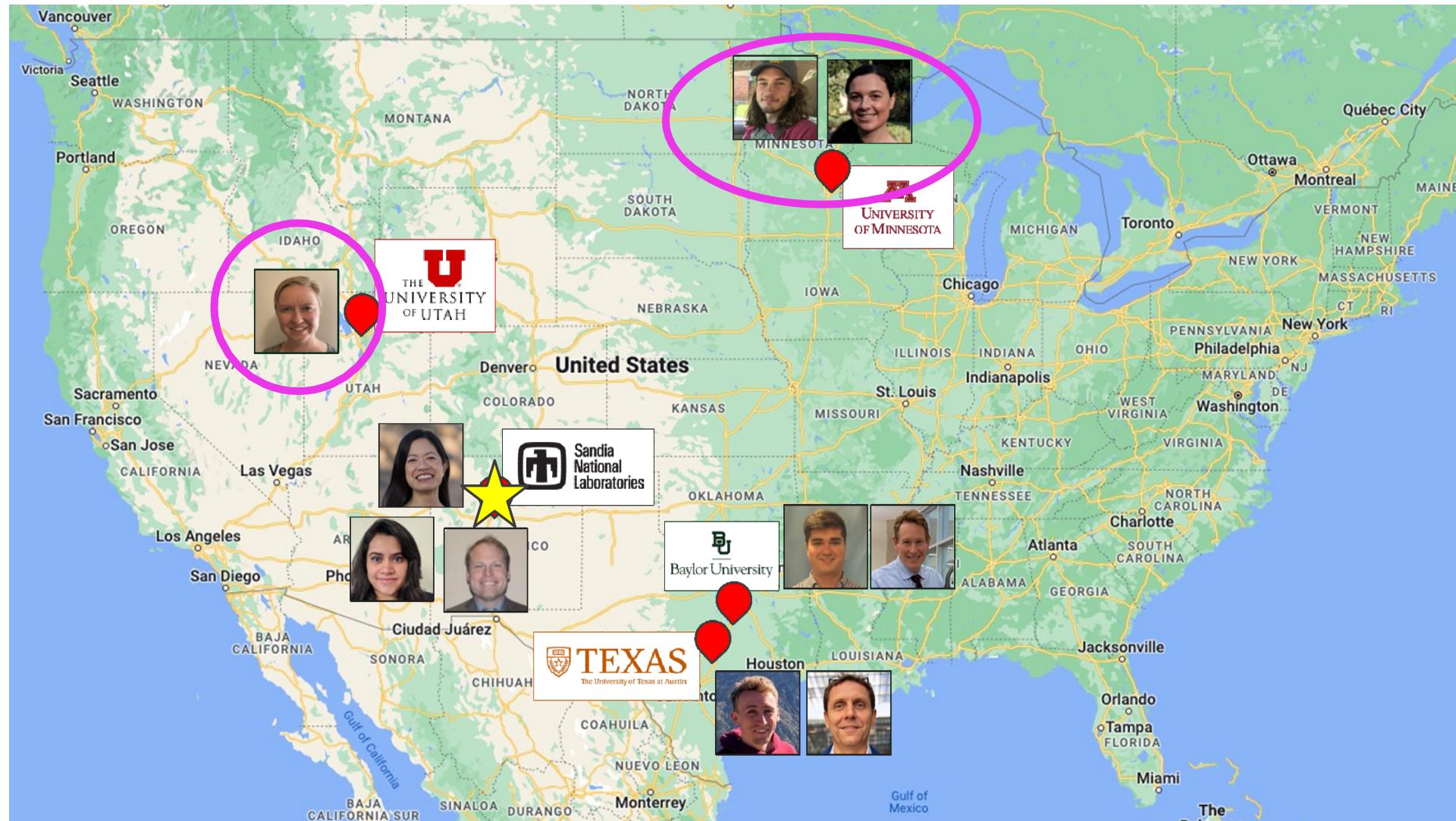
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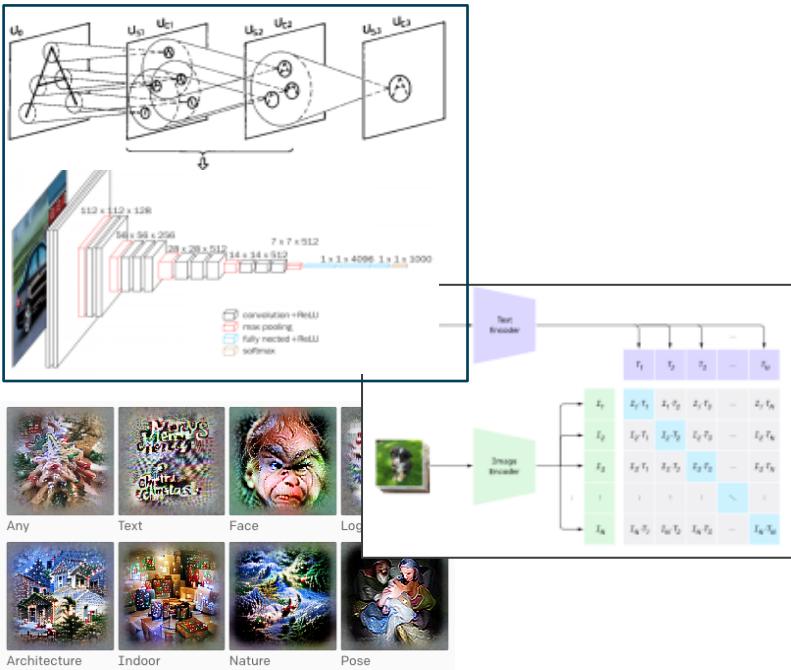
Can the dragonfly sensorimotor transformation mechanism be used to inspire novel neuromorphic architectures?



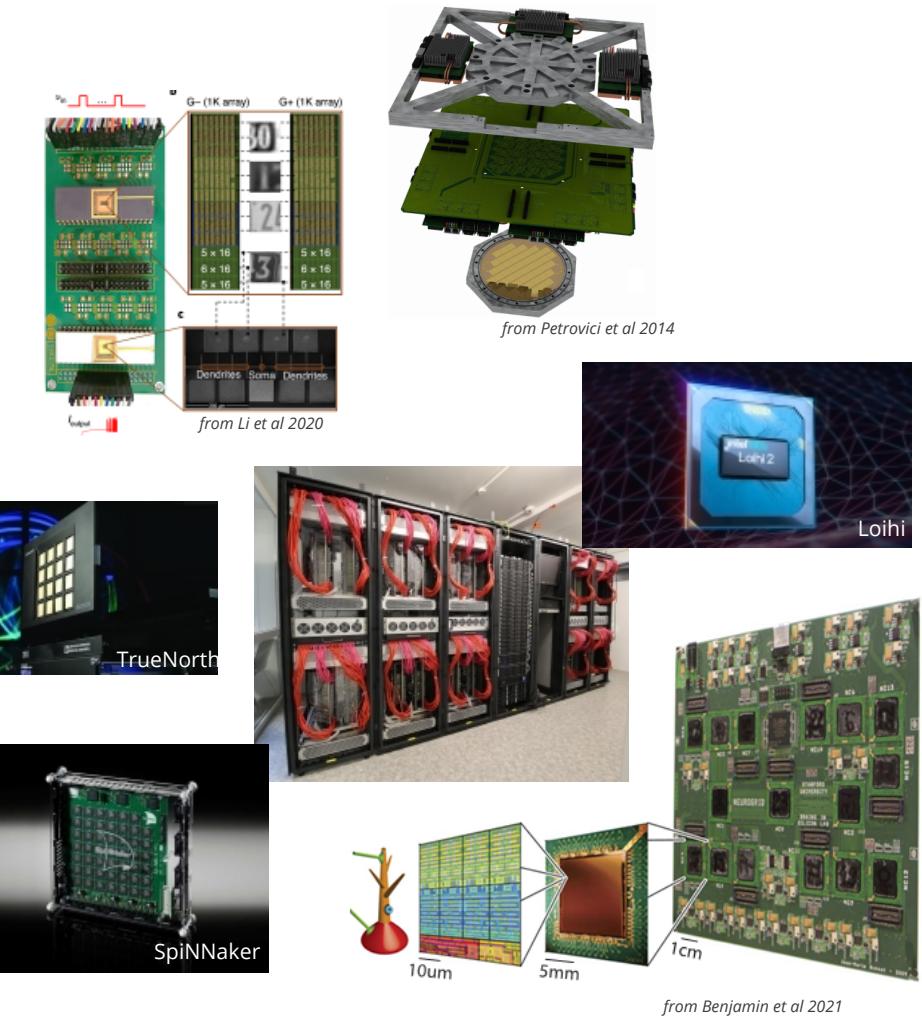
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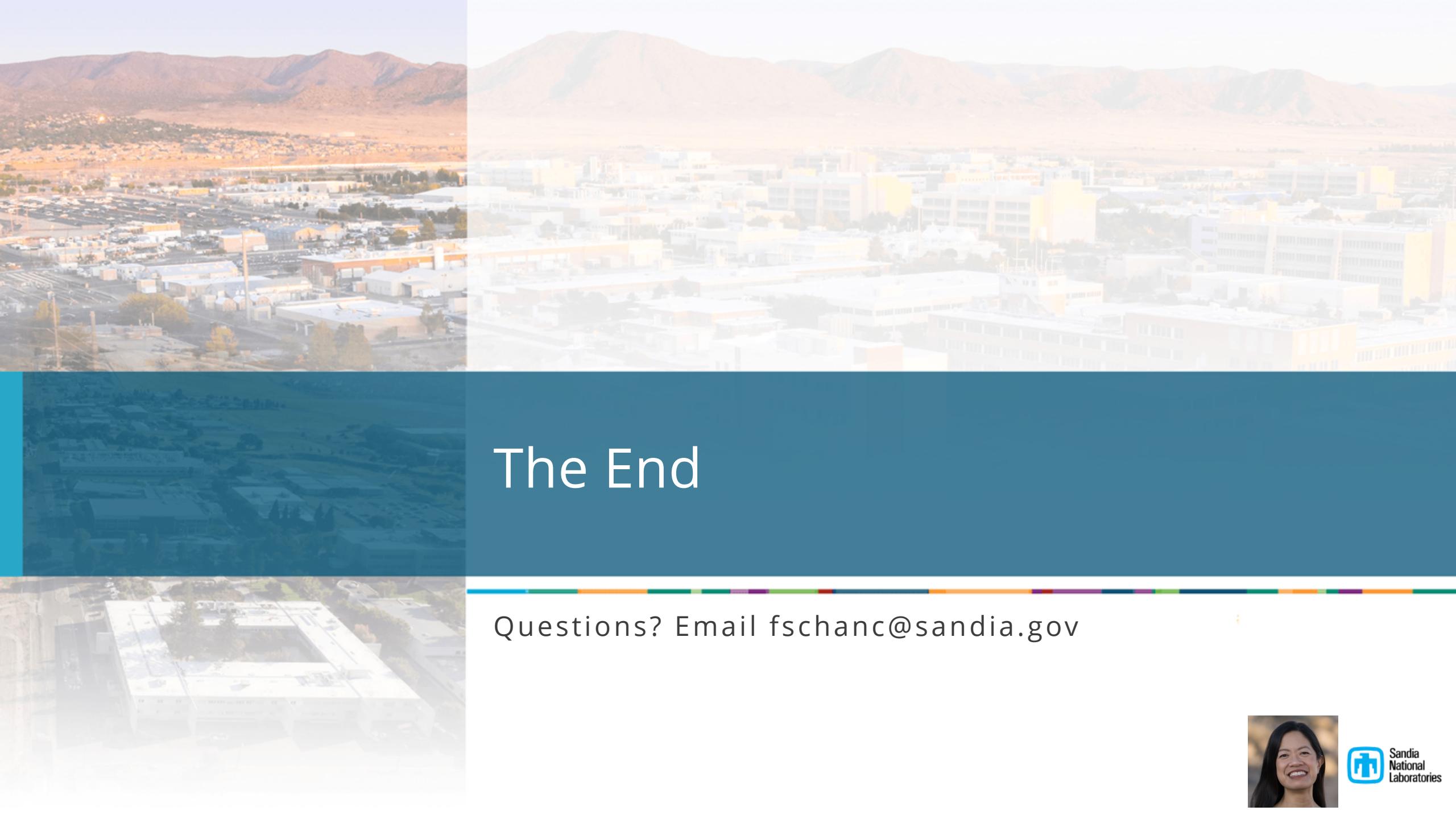
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Neural-inspired algorithms



Neuromorphic hardware



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