

De la navigation bio-inspirée au développement sensorimoteur d'un robot humanoïde

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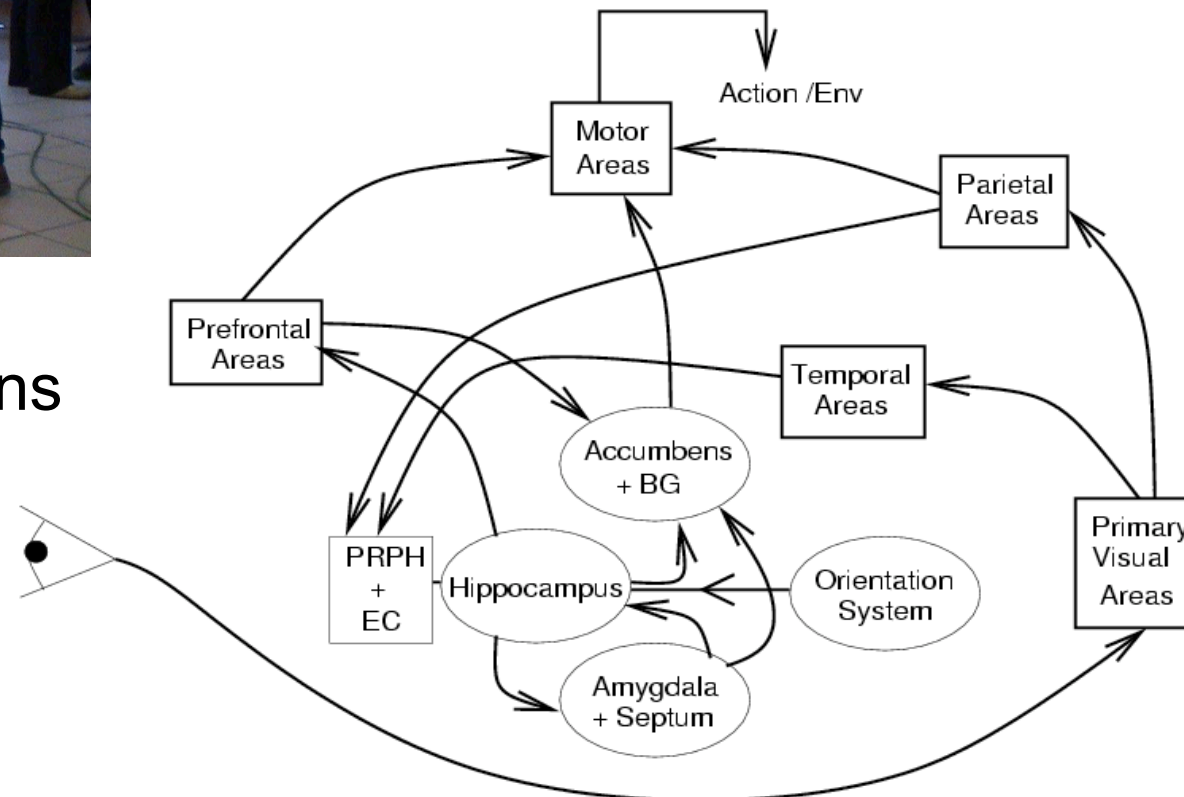
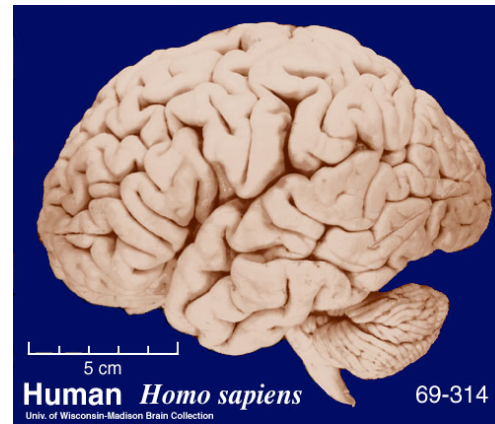
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Cognition, brain, neurons...

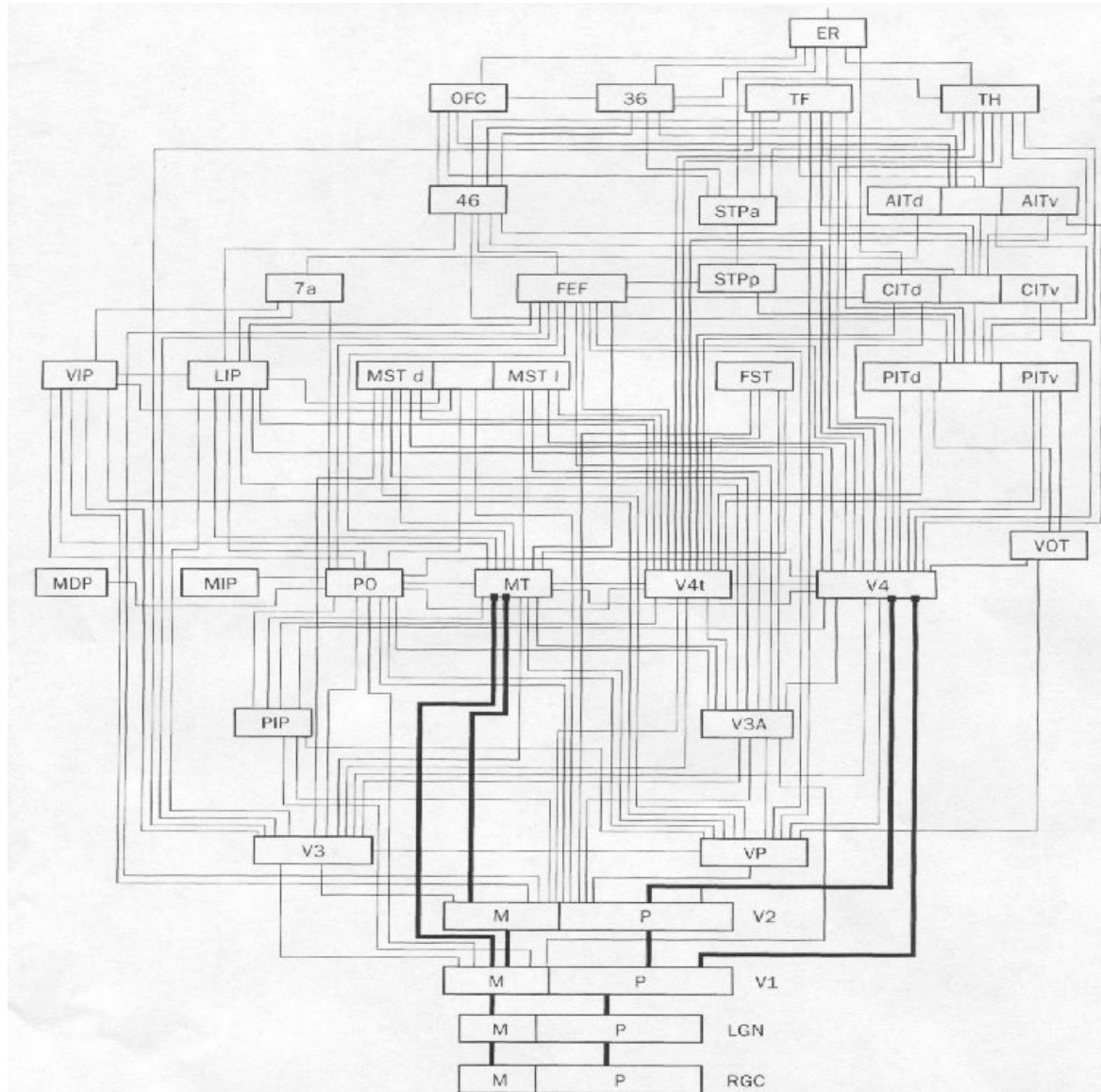


- Development
- Social interactions



The limits of a reductionist approach...

Primate visual system



(Van Essen 91)

FIGURE 4.15 Diagram showing the hierarchical arrangement of visual processing stages, starting with the retina (bottom of diagram) and moving up through the multiple visual areas of the brain. The bold lines show the P and M pathways discussed in the text. (Adapted from Felleman and Van Essen, 1991.)

Problem:

Knowing the neuronal activity is not always helpful to understand the cognitive processing !

Solution:

Understanding the link between the link between the neuronal activity and the behavioral dynamics.

Our approach

- Find a minimal model justified by strong theoretical arguments:
 - single NN formalism and architecture AND several tasks
 - Taking into account a minimal number of biological structures,
 - Trying to understand what is brought by a new structure on the global behavior (otherwise do not take it into account),
 - Using robots to test the behavioral consequences of a given model (proof by failure!)
- ➔ Strong collaborations with neurobiologists and psychologists

« Virtual » Laboratory

Joint works with:

- Jean Paul Banquet : neurobiological modelling
- Bruno Poucet (Marseille 3C): exp. neurobiology
+ S. Wiener group (Paris) ANR Neurobot
- Jacqueline Nadel: developmental psycho pathology
(+ inter-lab. association CNRS)
- Yann Coello, Yvonne Delevoye (URECA-Lilles)
ANR INTERACT / SESAME TINO
- Lola Cañamero (**Feelix growing** UE STREP project)
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+ K. Bard (Portsmouth)

Robotique et neurosciences
ou
Robotique et sciences cognitives?

Equipe neurocybernétique

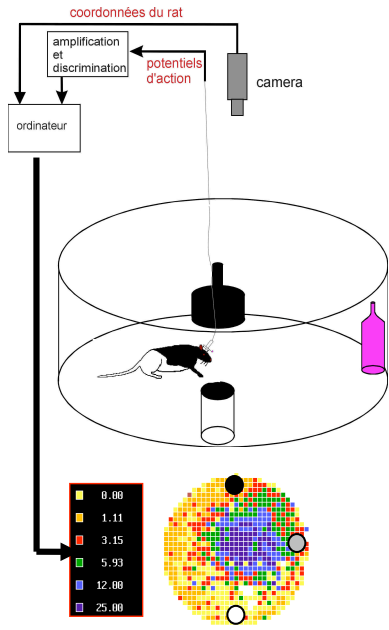
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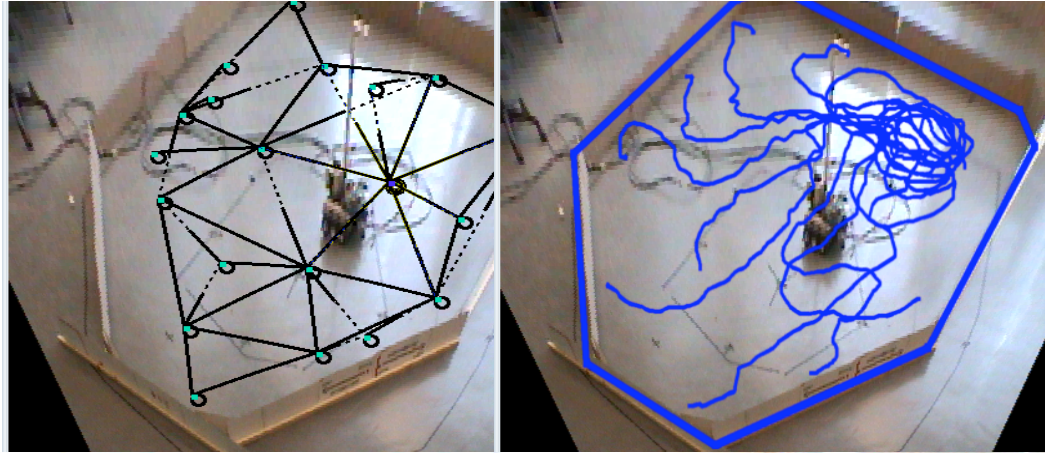
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Neurobiologie



Apprentissage en ligne:
associations sensori-
motrices, carte cognitive et
planification

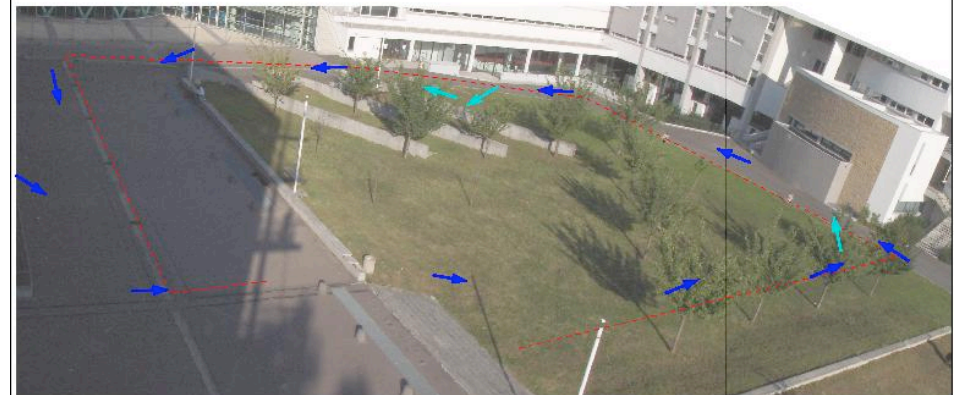
modélisation en
neurosciences
computationnelles



Perception visuelle / mécanismes attentionnels



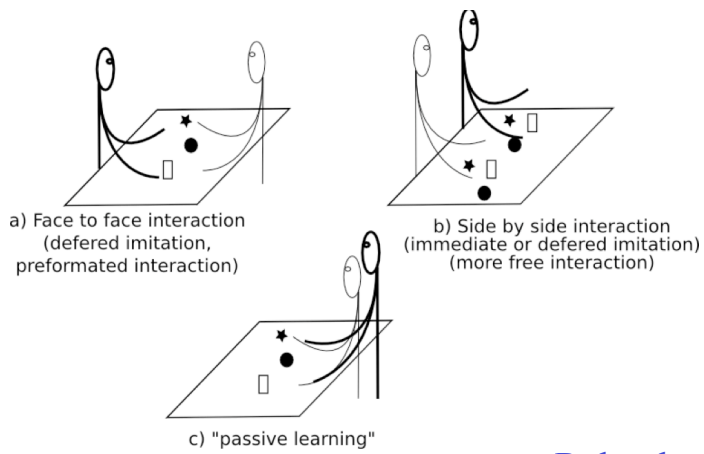
Expérimentation en extérieure
→ navigation visuelle / syst neuromimétique



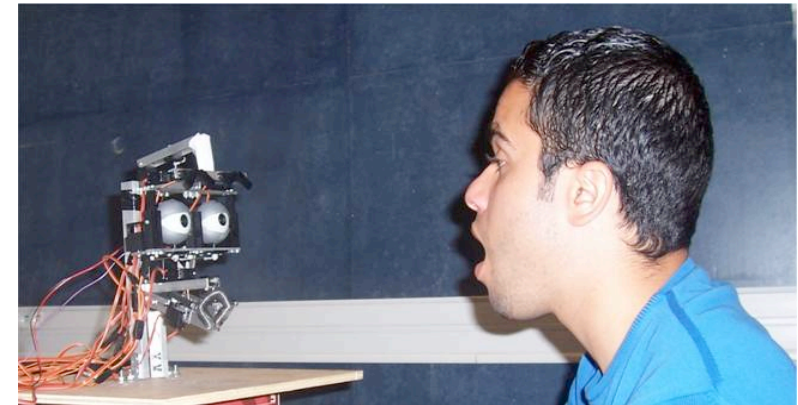
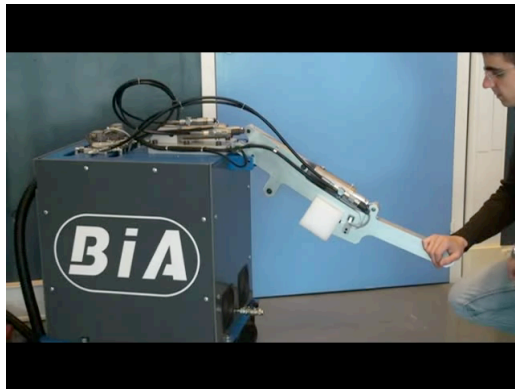
- Desired trajectory
- Place-action association learned at lap 1
- Place-action association learned at lap 2

INTERACTIONS

Psychologie développementale
 → Interactions sociales + IHM
 → Apprentissage par imitation



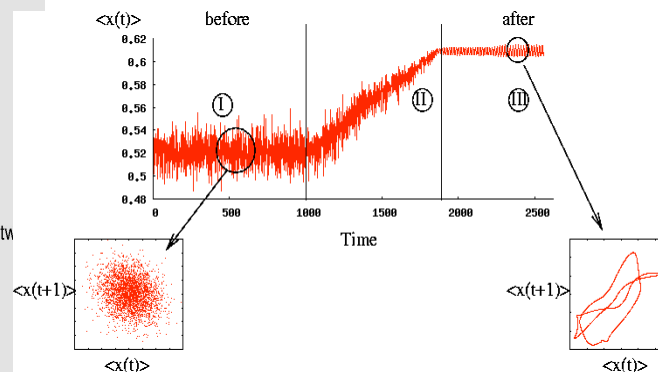
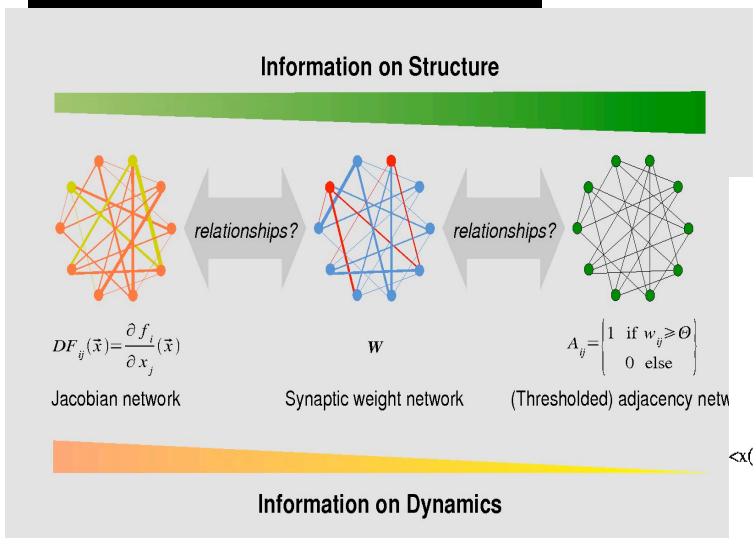
Robot hydraulique Interactif
 Lien mécanique & cognition
 (compliance physique)



Modèle des émotions / référencement social

Systèmes Multi-Agents

- Solutions émergentes
- Optimisation collective
- Spécialisation des agents



Modèles dynamiques neuronaux → dynamiques d'interactions

Plan

1. Navigation autonome bio-inspirée
2. Apprendre en interagissant
3. Emotions et interactions sociales

**→ une même architecture neuronale
pour des applications très différentes**

1st part

Navigation bio-inspirée

Hipp-BG-PFC loop

Navigation and the building of attraction basin

(+ transition building, novelty detection,
frustration...)



Training mobile robots to perform path following by an intuitive human-robot interaction

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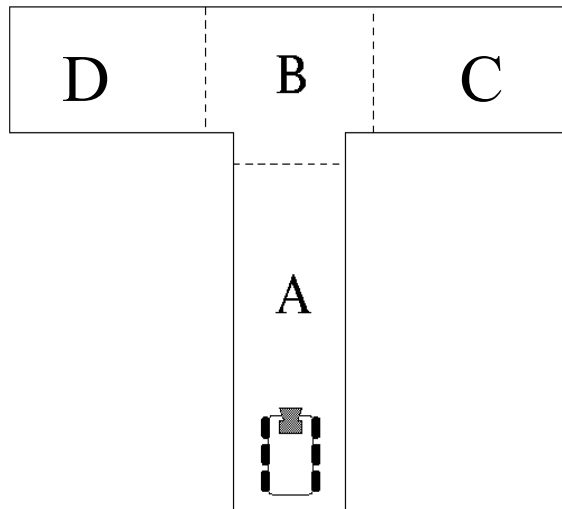
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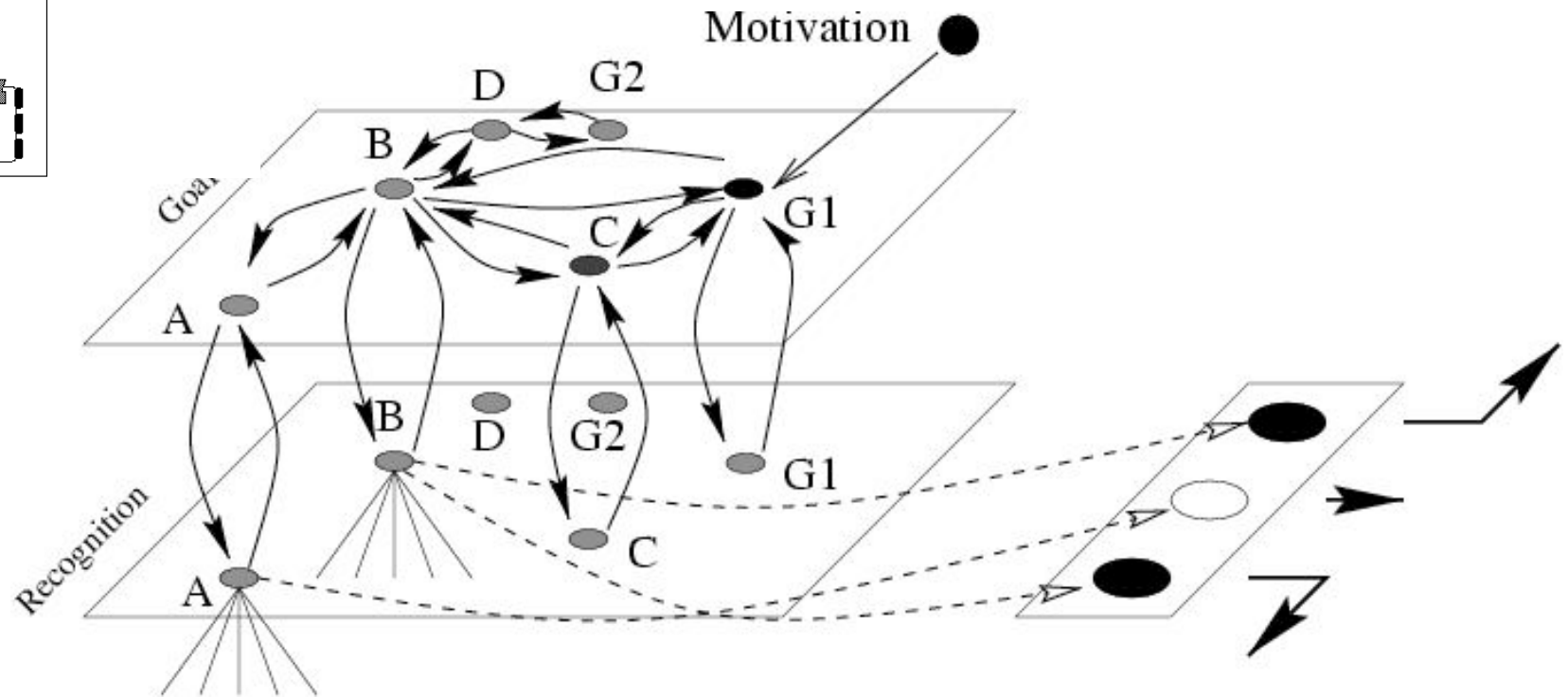


Action selection problem



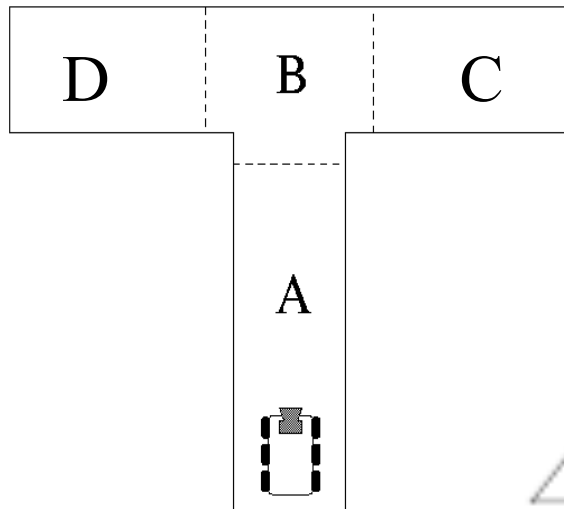
Goal

Diffusion \Leftrightarrow Ford – Bellman alg.



How to deal with the bifurcation points?

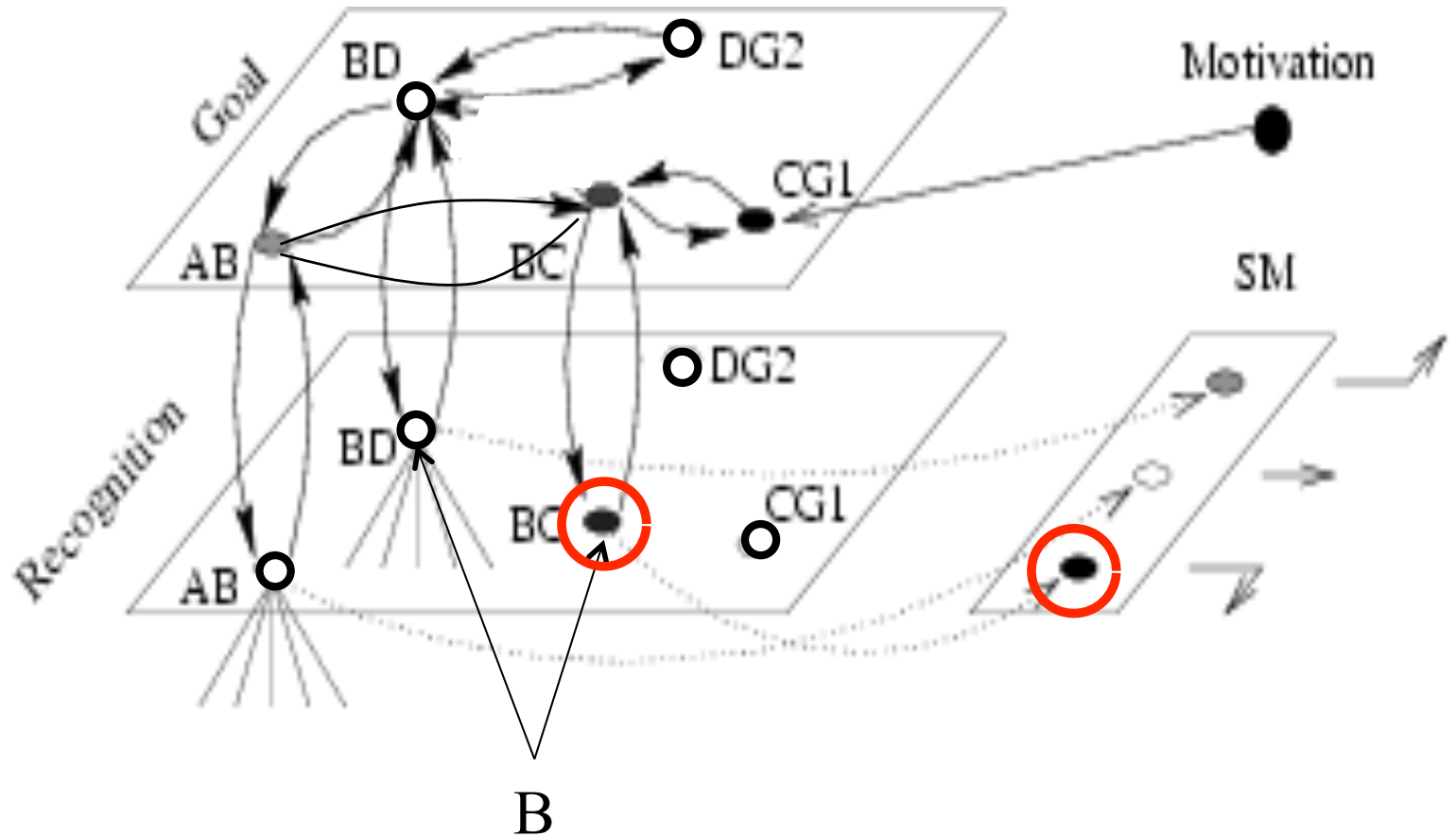
Solution: “transitory states”



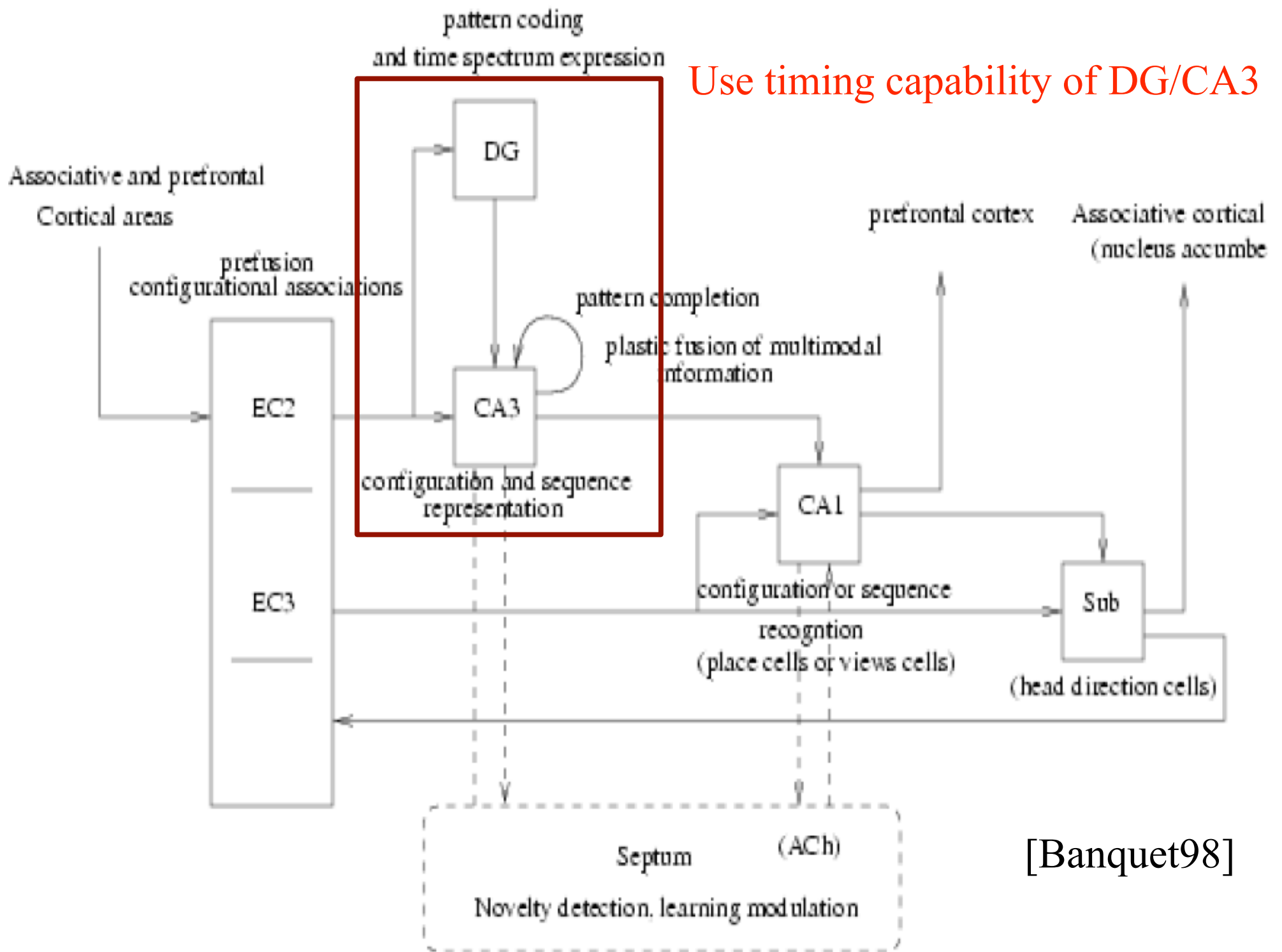
Goal

[Revel98,Gaussier01]

[Hok2007]

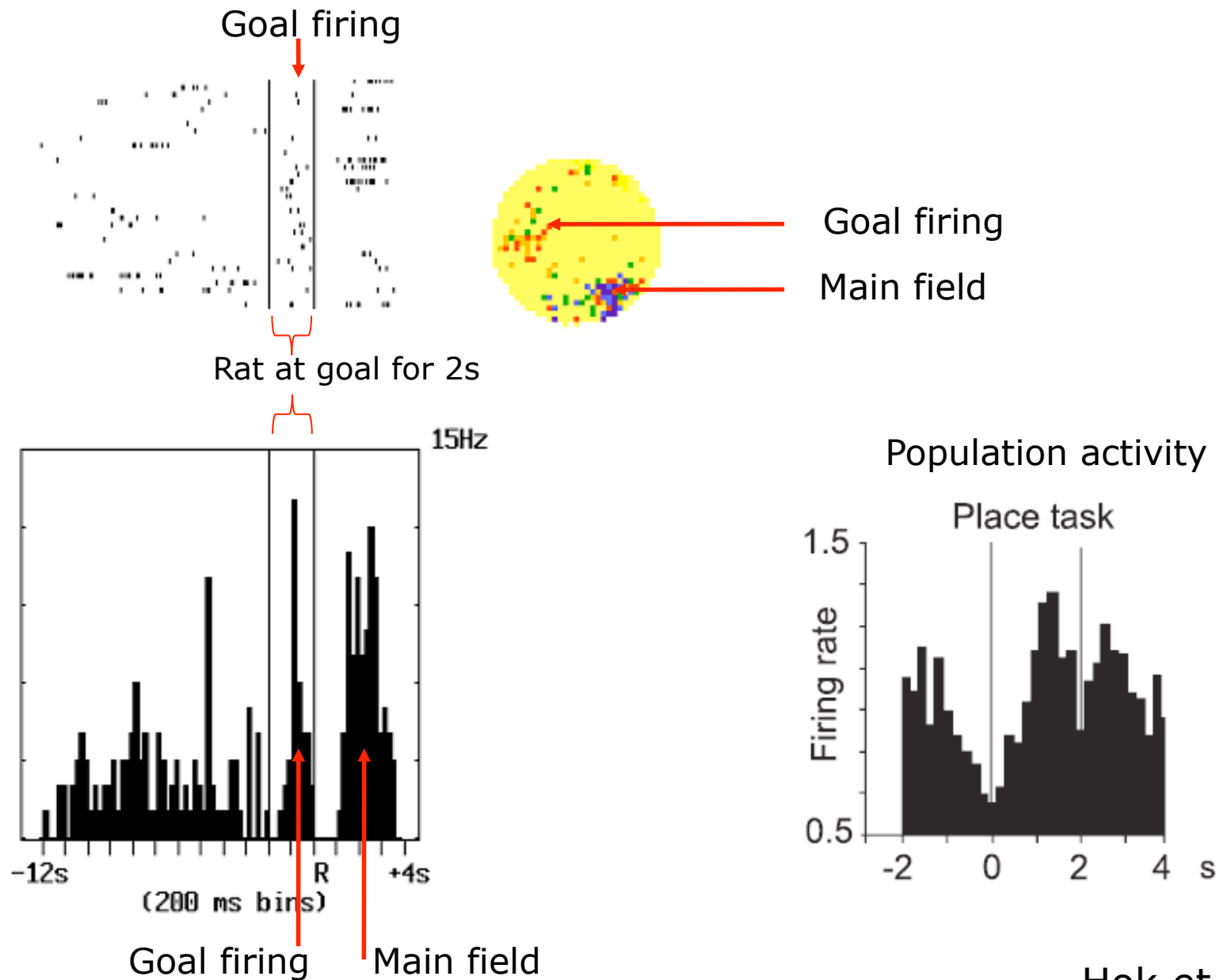


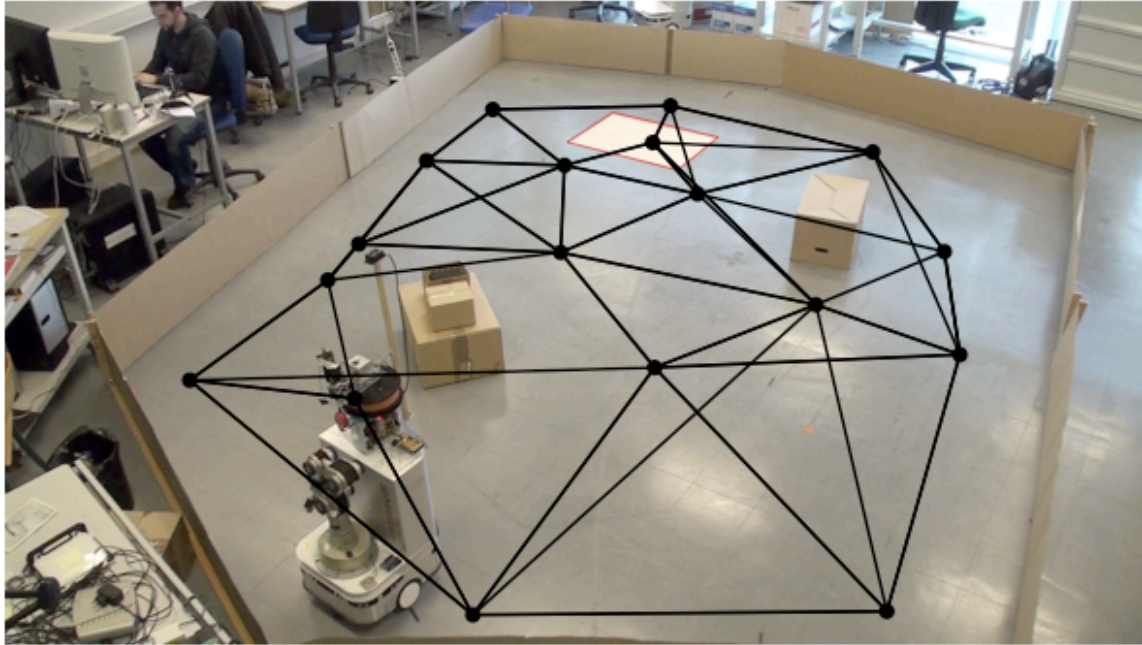
One transition is always associated to a single action



[Banquet98]

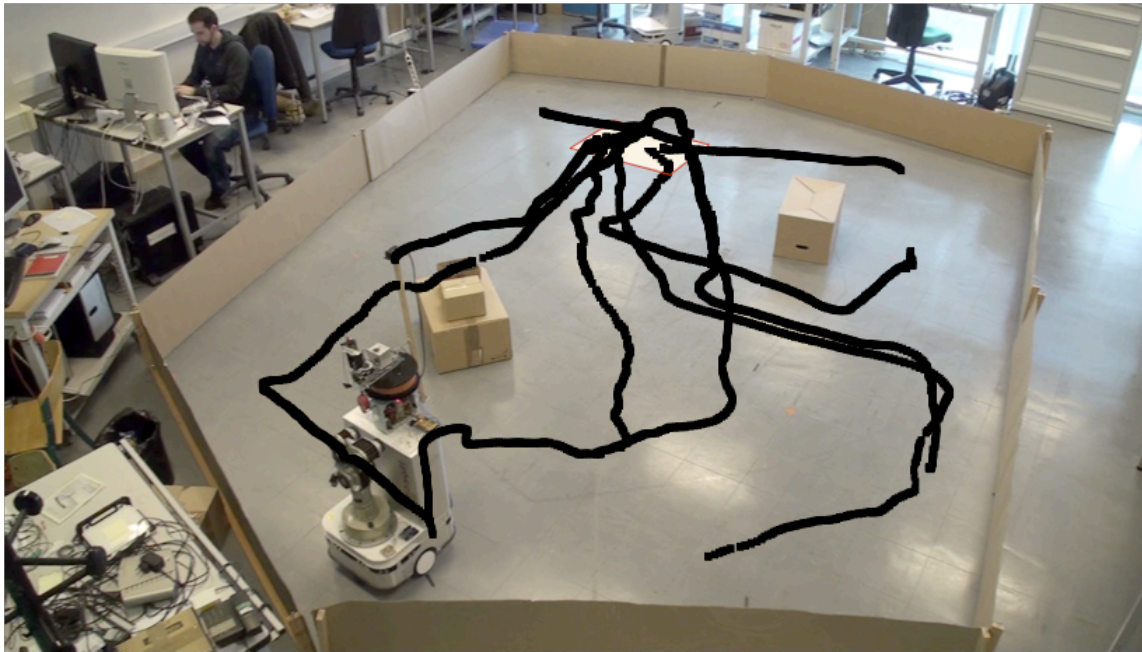
Analyse de l'activité des cellules de lieu dans la période d'attente au but





[Cuperlier 2006,
Hirel 2010]

Latent learning of the
cognitive map.



Return path to the goal
place from random
departure points.

Stay for 7s at the goal
place.

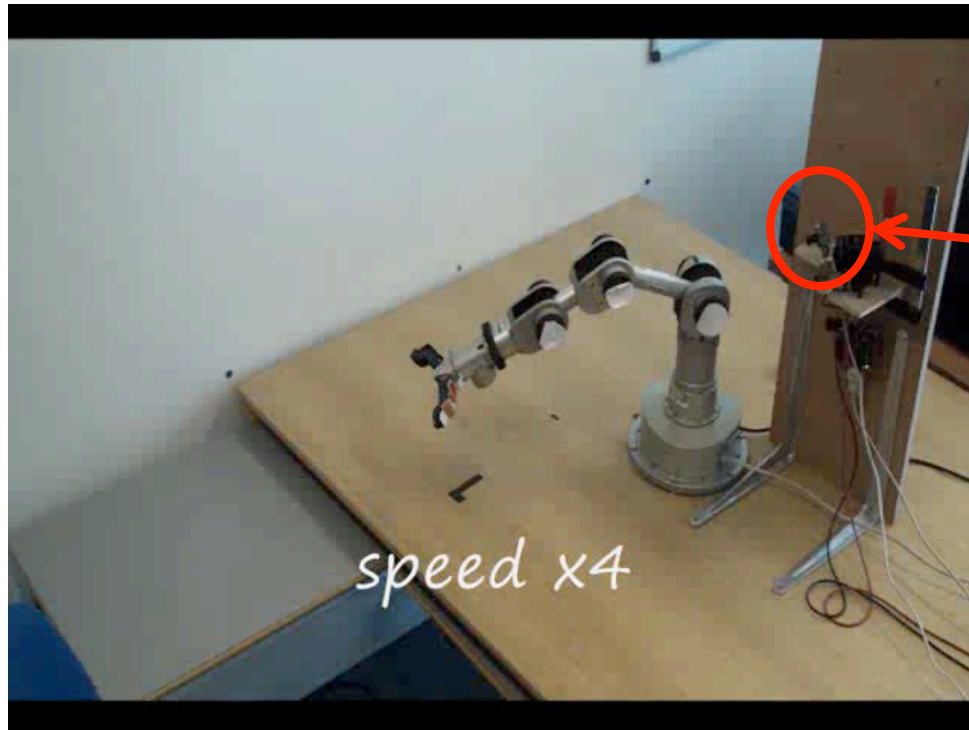
2d part

Interactions capabilities

Immediate imitation

Control of a 4DOF arm

Pan-tilt camera



Sensori-motor learning (robot alone)

Minimal mechanisms:

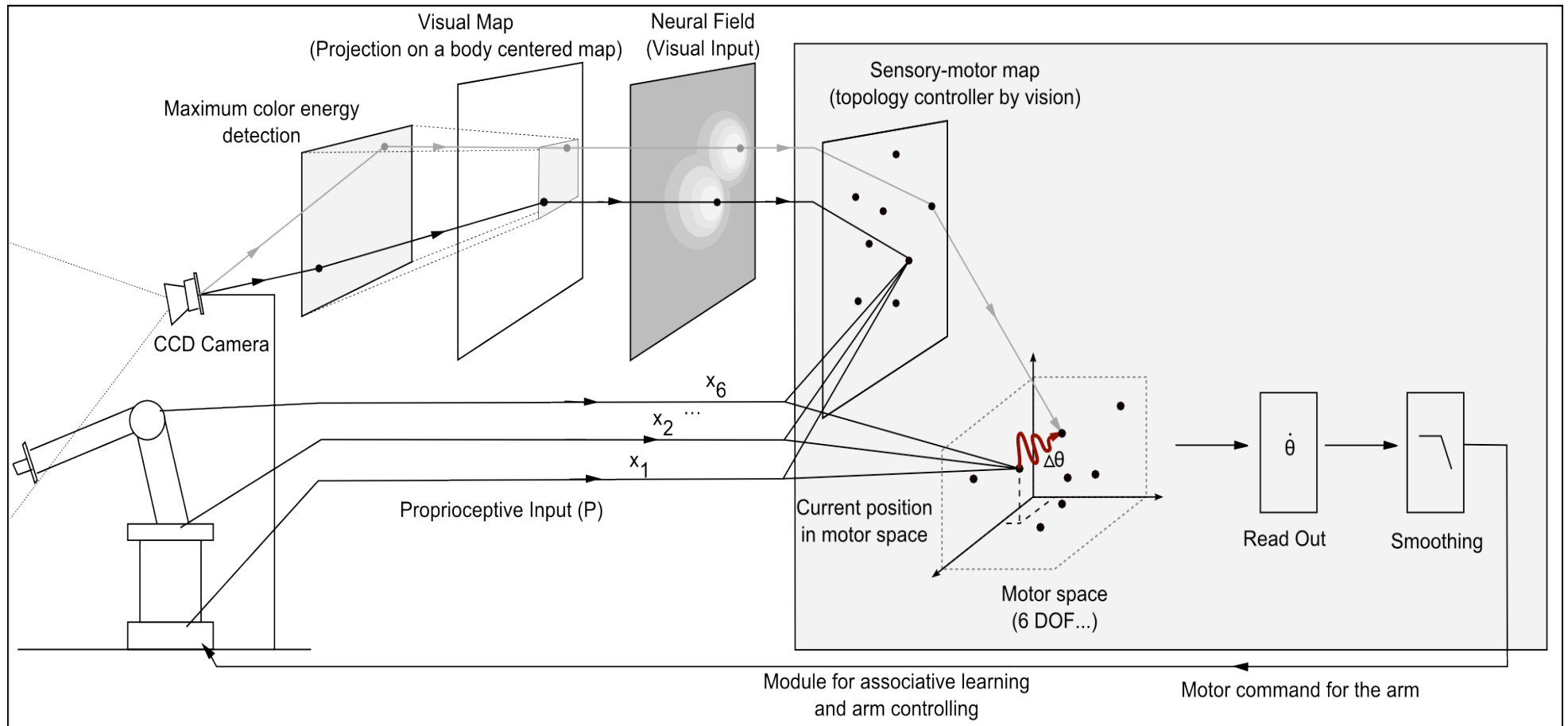
- Ambiguity of perception
- Homeostatic control

→ **emergence of immediate imitation** [Andry et al 2002 & 2004]



Immediate imitation

Sensori-motor controller



→ learning of visuo-motor associations (online learning)

→ visual activation of motor attractors

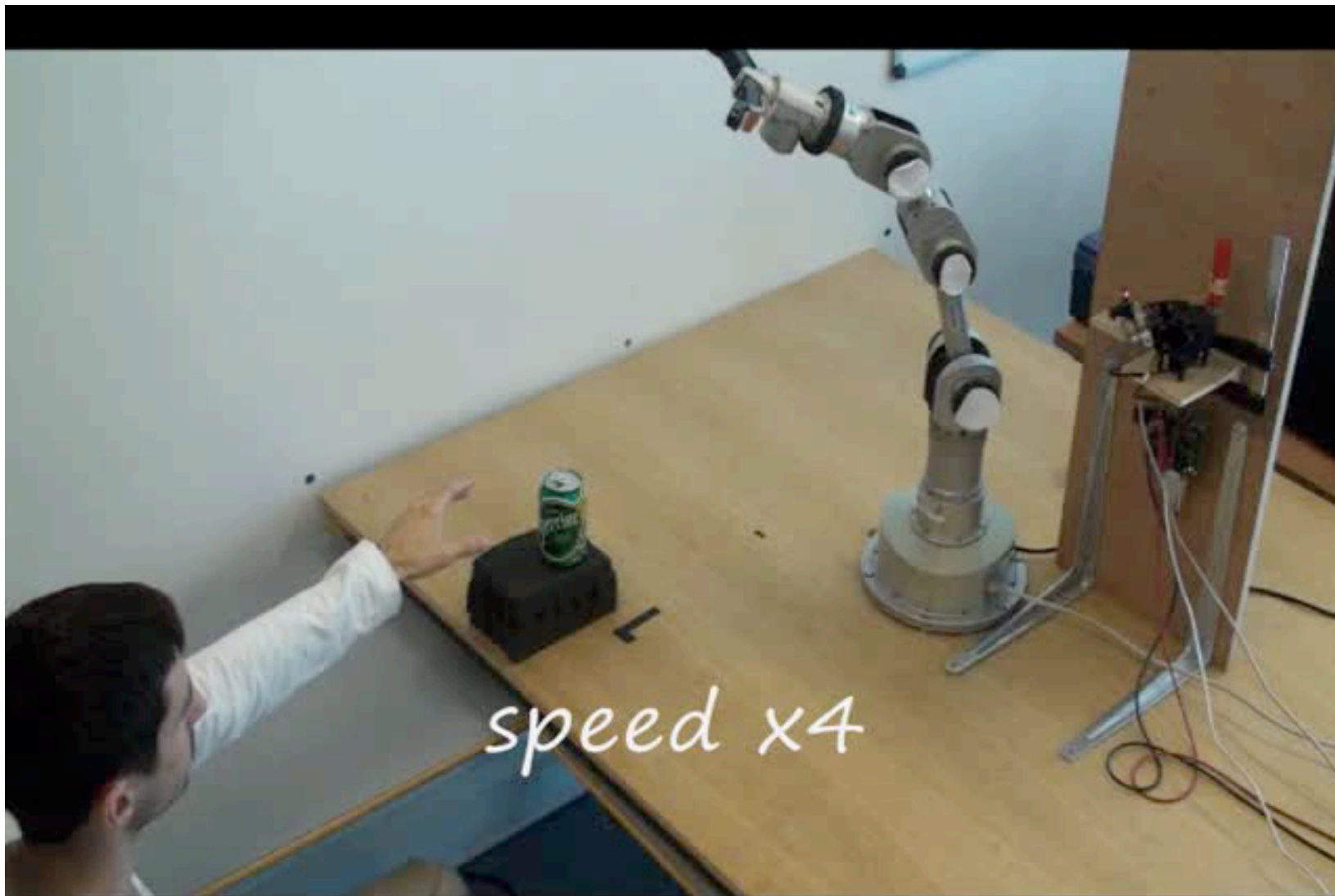
→ extraction of the command on the basis of the selected attractors [Fukuyori 2008]

Minimal mechanisms necessary to the bootstrap of imitation ?

Observational learning

1. Autonomous learning of visuo-motor associations (babbling)
2. Inhibition of the motor command during human display (but sequence learning)
3. Reproduction of the sequence from one item to the next (first item is either triggered by human or by robot position)

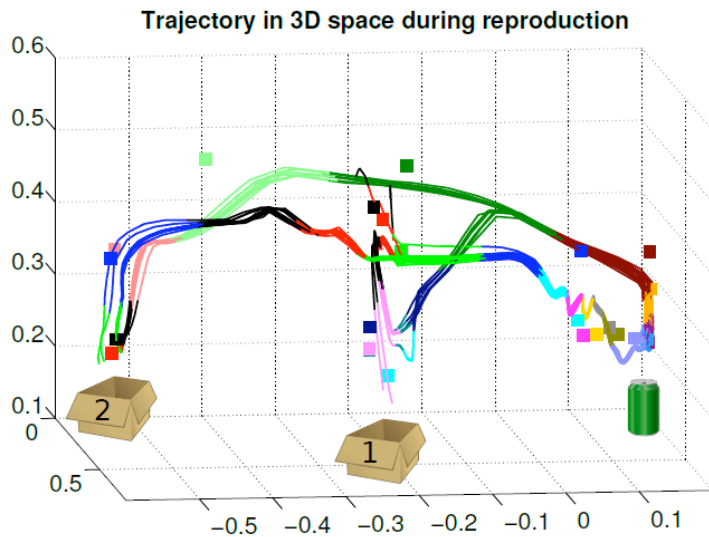
[IROS2010]



Learning by demonstration more complex tasks

Categories: proprioceptive states, transition detected and coded as new states (same as nav.)

Addition of the planning capabilities used for navigation (latent cognitive map learning)



- Cognitive map encoding the sequences of transitions
- Visual categorisation to generate the goals
➔ planning



Preliminary conclusions

- « Mirror neurons » can emerge from the sensori-motor learning.
- « mirror neurons » may be the consequence of the sensori-motor learning (not the cause!)
- Is imitation so much important for learning?

3^d part

Emotions and social interactions

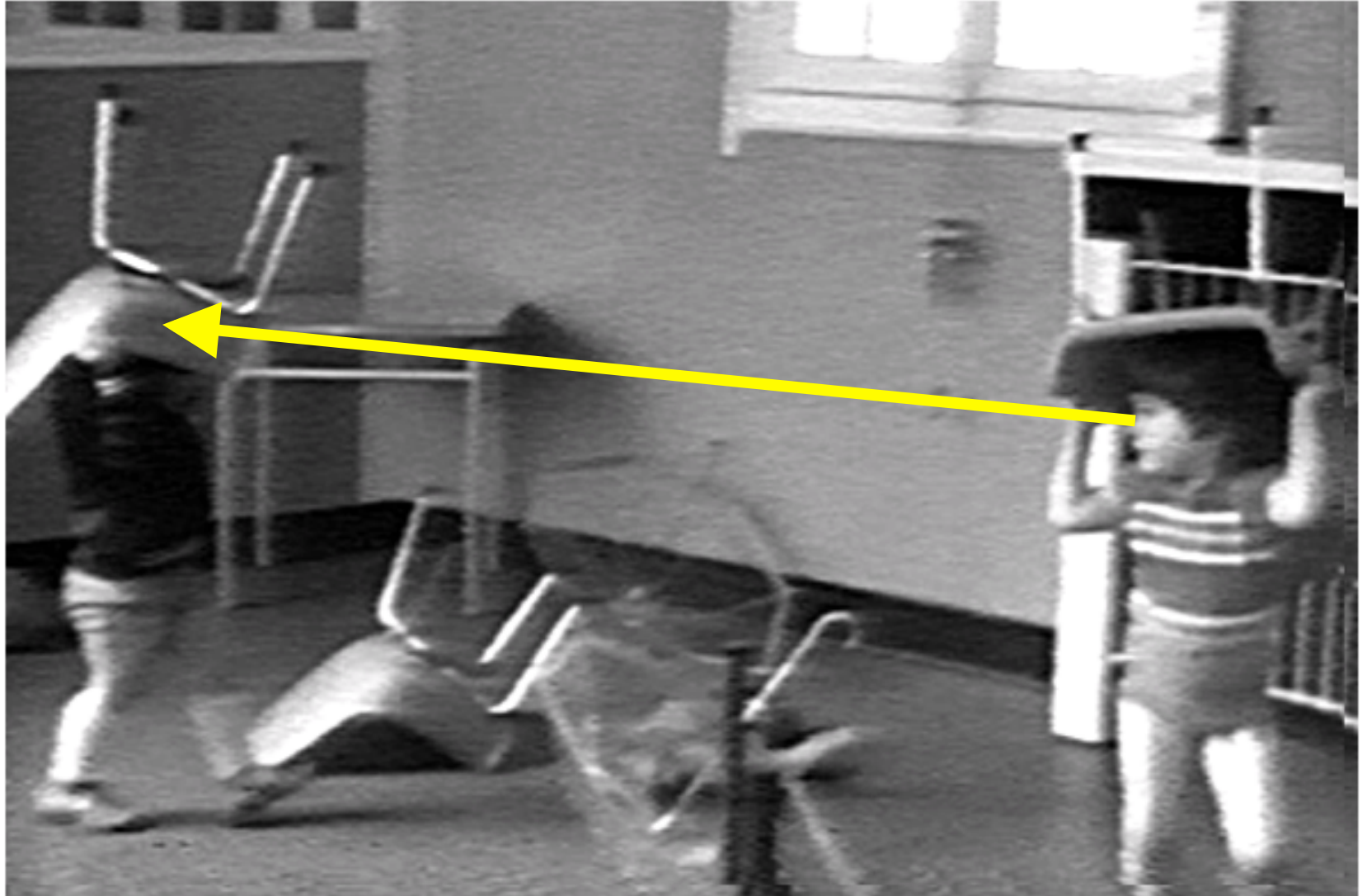
A solution to build a developmental
sequence bootstrapped from emotional
resonance...

Imitation and social interactions



(J. Nadel et al 2004, Interactive Studies)

Imitation and social interactions

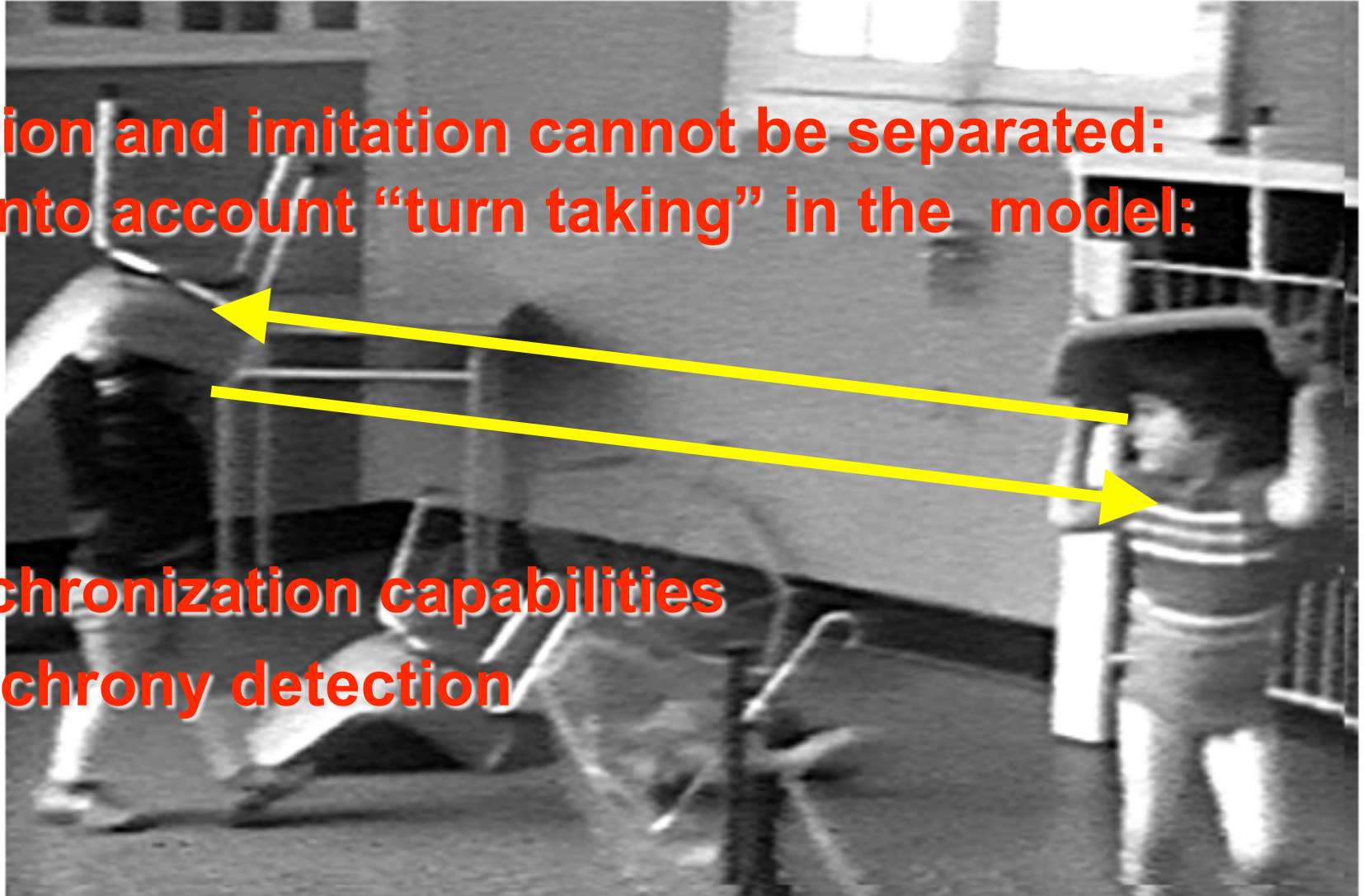


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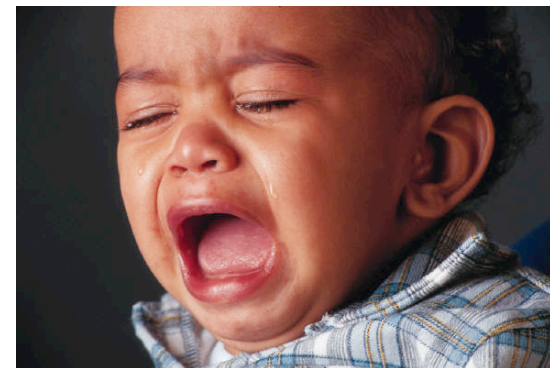
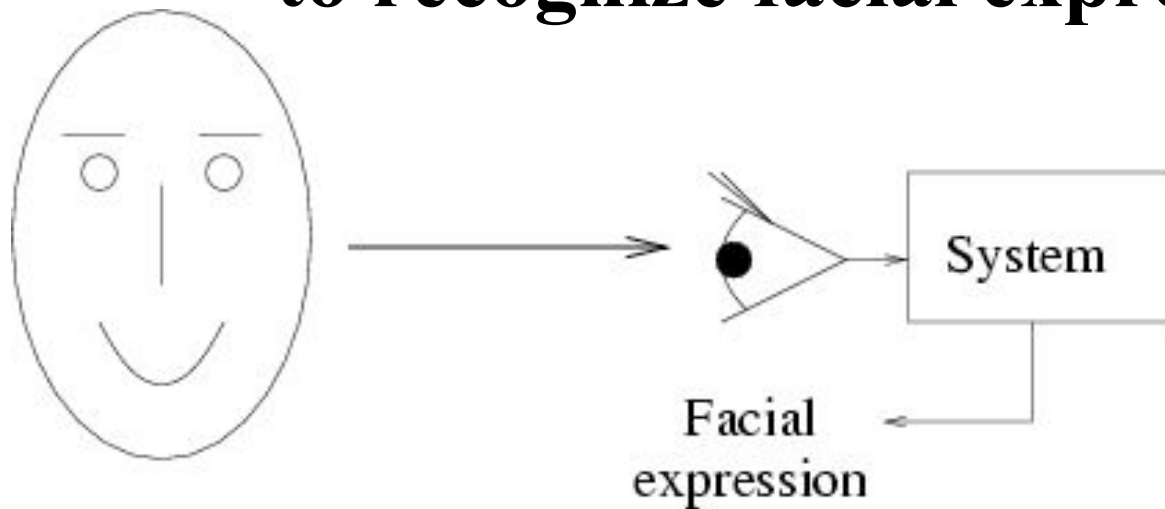
**Interaction and imitation cannot be separated:
taking into account “turn taking” in the model:**

- **Synchronization capabilities**
- **Synchrony detection**

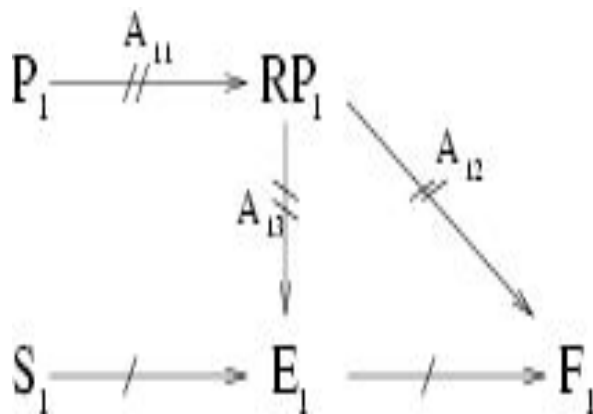


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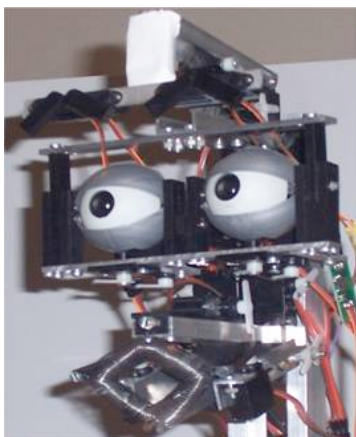
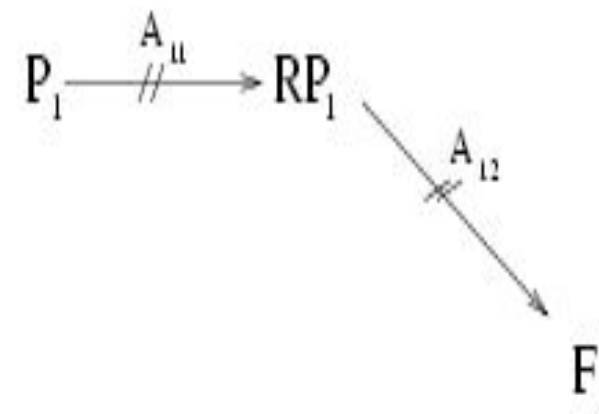
A toy problem: How to model baby learning to recognize facial expressions?



One possible architecture:



Desired solution:



(based only on sensori-motor loops)

After only 2 min of online learning



(SAB04, Epirob 06, 08)

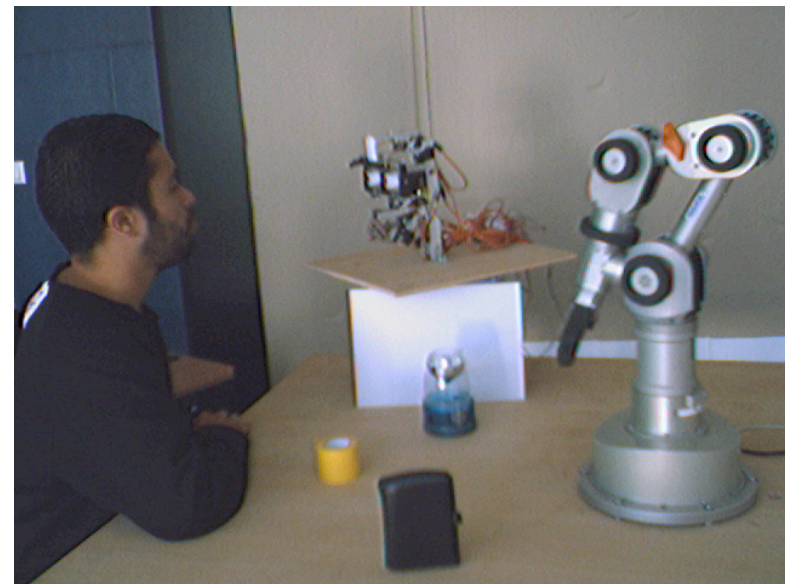
Social referencing

- Toward complex behaviors (manipulation, interactions between behaviors at different levels...)
- Modeling emotions (metacontrol /communication)



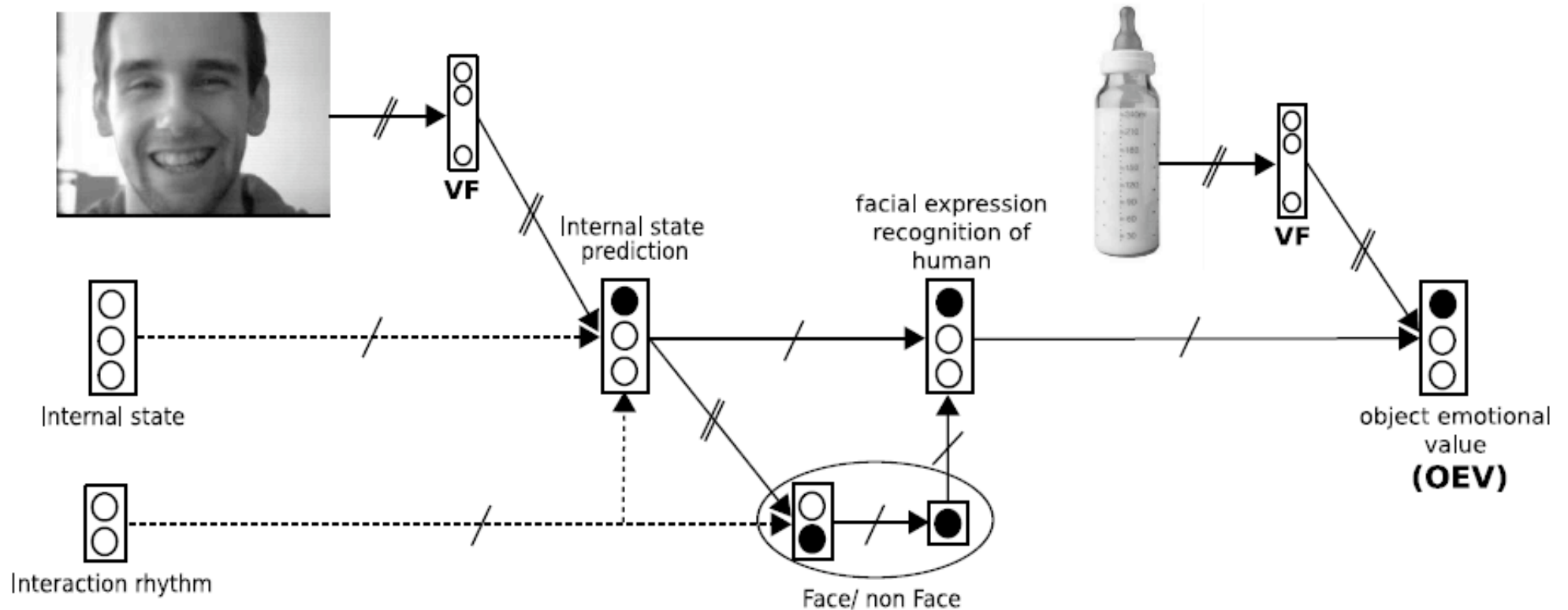
Figure 1. Experimental room with chimpanzee, caregiver, and object.

[Russel197] Exp. on the devel.
of the social referencing
(associate a value to an
object)





Social referencing for object manipulation



Providing an emotional value to an object
Behavior: take-and-deposit or avoid

Discussion & conclusions

Conclusion

Les aller-retour neurobiologie/psychologie \Leftrightarrow robotique prennent du temps:

temps de boucle 6/7 ans minimum...

(modèles falsifiables / intérêt des doubles fonctions)

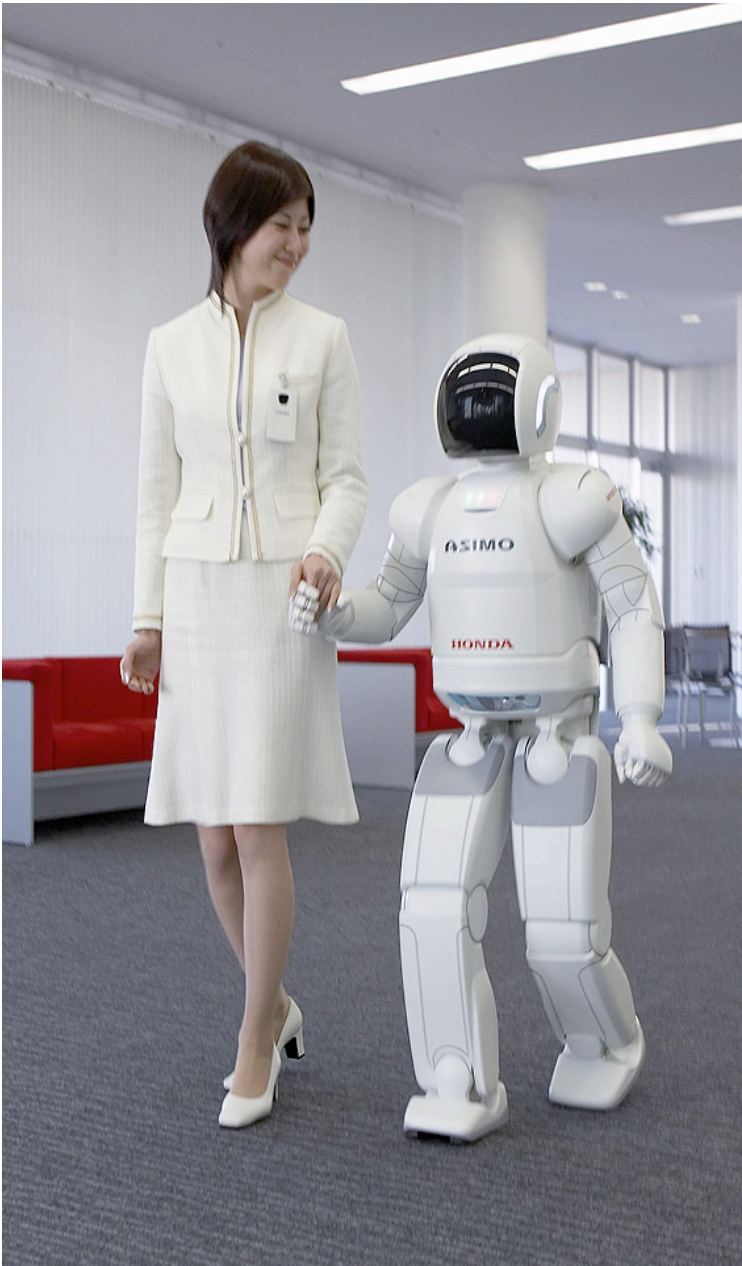
→ collaboration sur du long terme

→ management délicat / projets sur 3 ou 4 ans

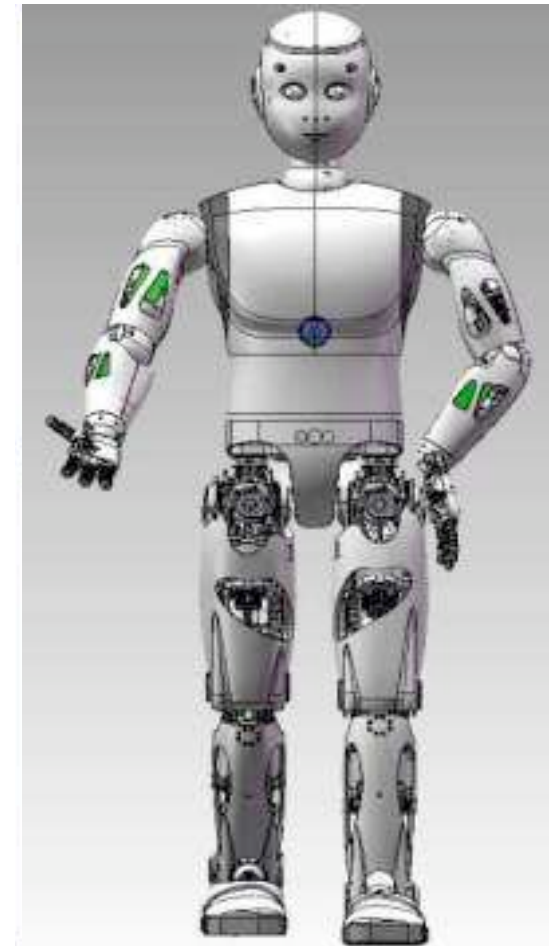
(ANR, Europe...)

Nouveaux outils pour les sciences cognitives

Tester des modèles du cerveau en
conditions réelles !



Robotex



Emotions as a way to structure learning

- Learning to recognize facial expression can precede the learning of face / non face recognition !
- The emotion **communication/interaction** may be used as a way to shape and trigger more and more complex learning when no explicit reinforcement signal can be used (→**bootstrap**).

→ Importance of social feedbacks

- Taking into account the emotional development opens new doors for autonomous learning

Videos on: www.etis.ensea.fr/~neurocyber/Videos/



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Visual navigation + arm control (SM level)

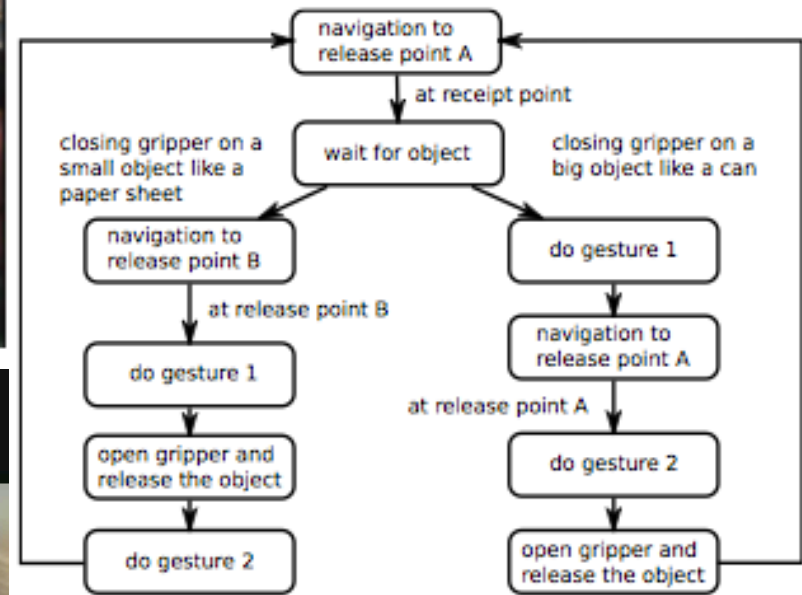
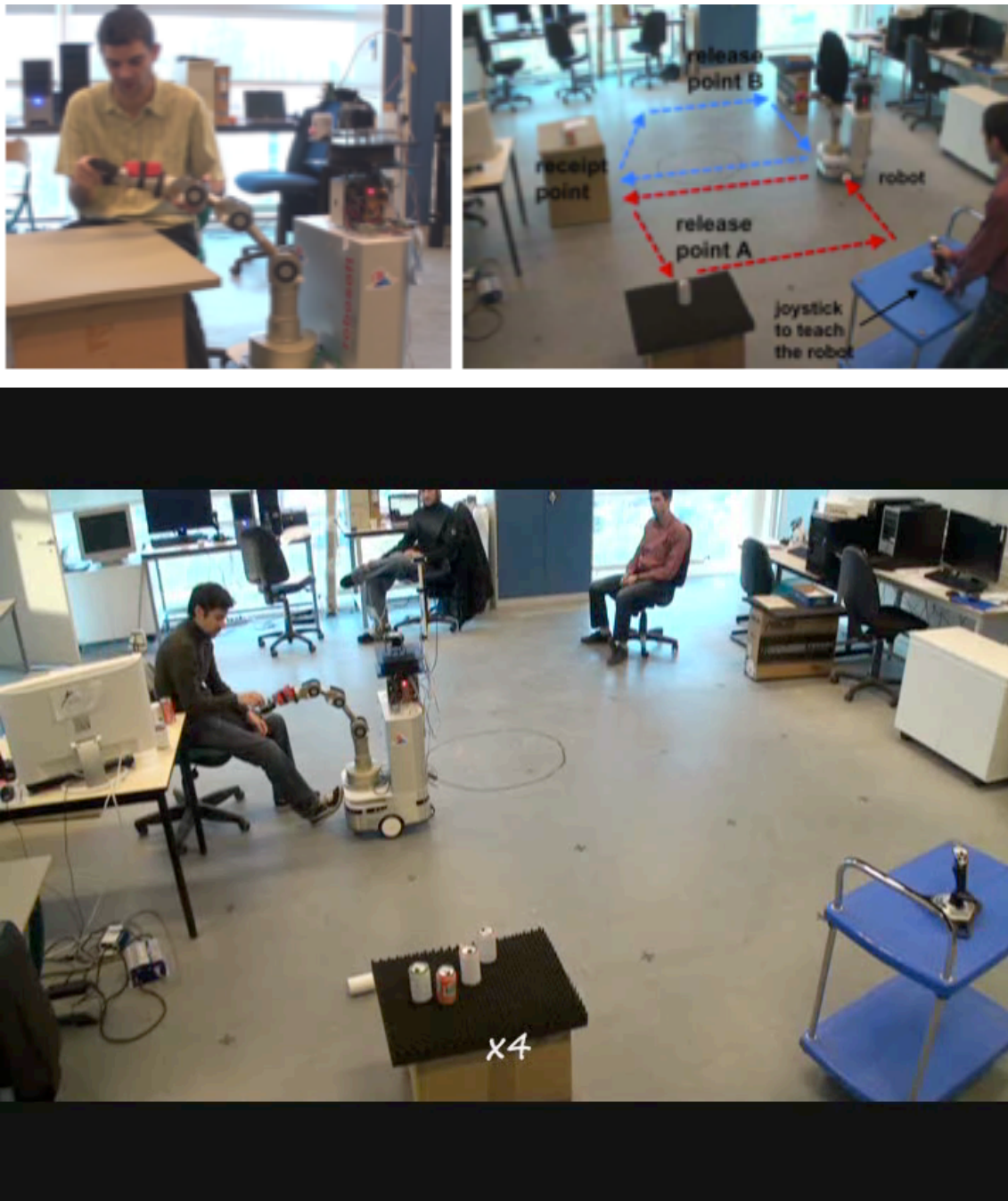


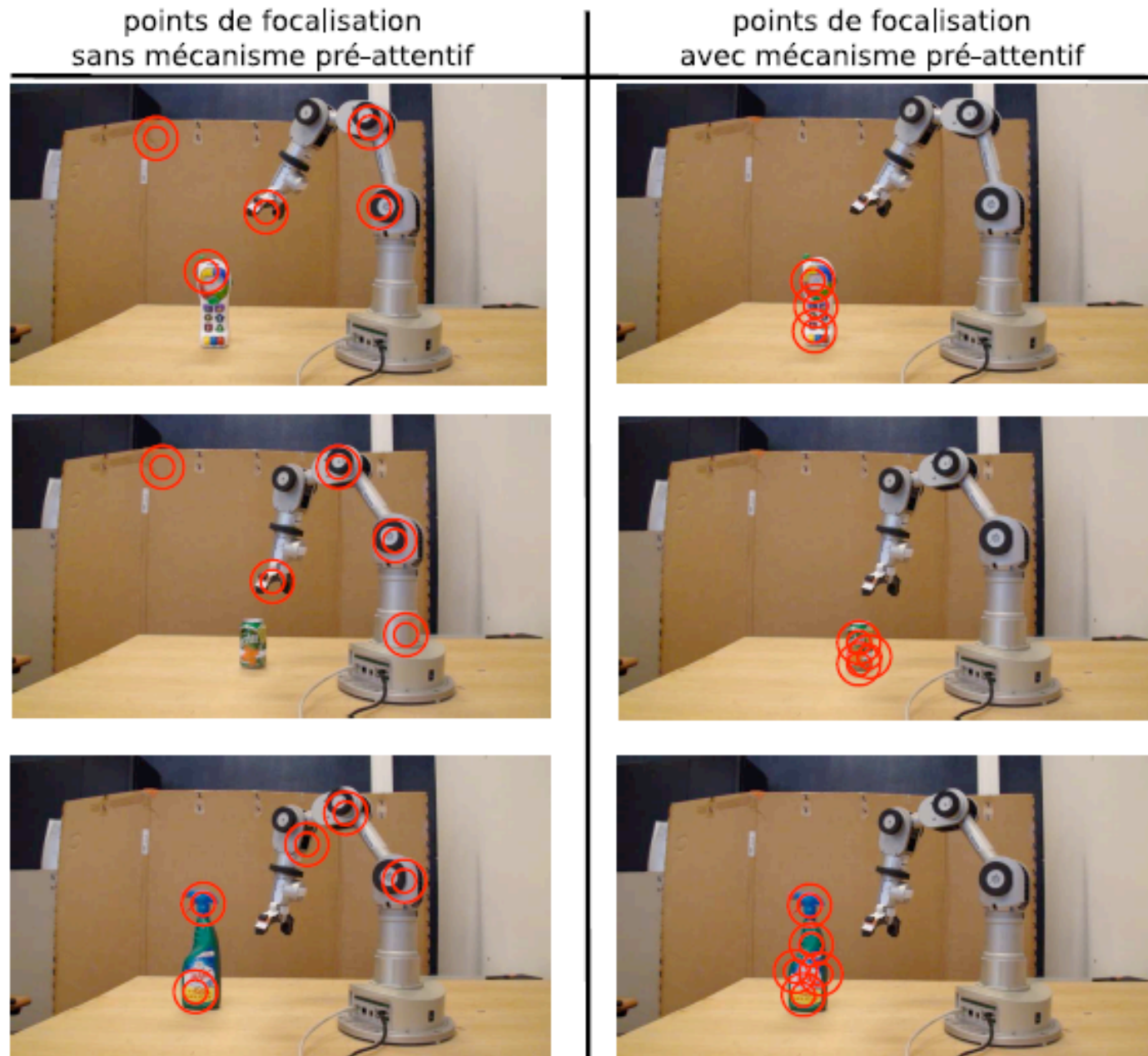
Fig. 3. Flowchart of the desired behavior for the experiment

[Epirob 2010]

Joint work with EPFL

Use of a saliency map to speed-up learning

Saliency map
Inspired from
[Itti & Koch]



C. Giovannangeli (IROS 06, EPIROB 06)

web site: www.etis.ensea.fr/~neurocyber/
Videos/

