

# Efficient Signal Processing in Random Networks that Generate Variability:

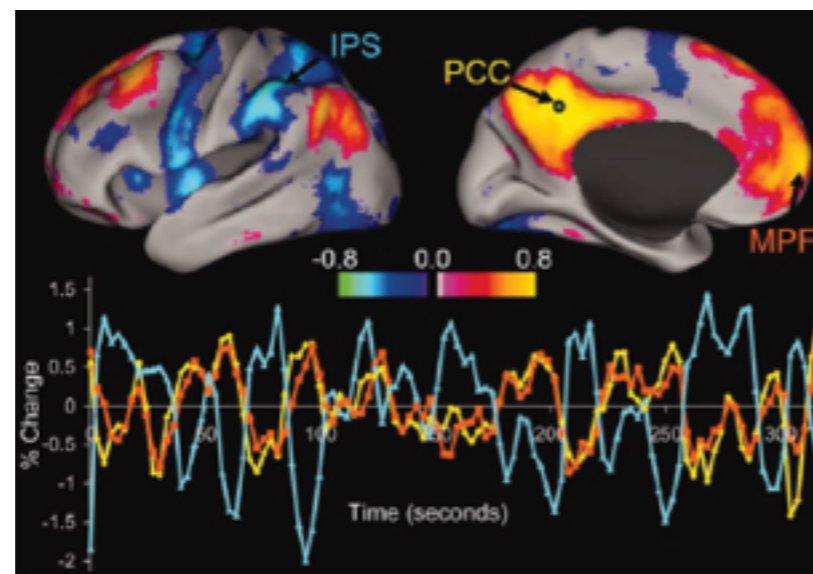
A comparison of internally and externally induced variability

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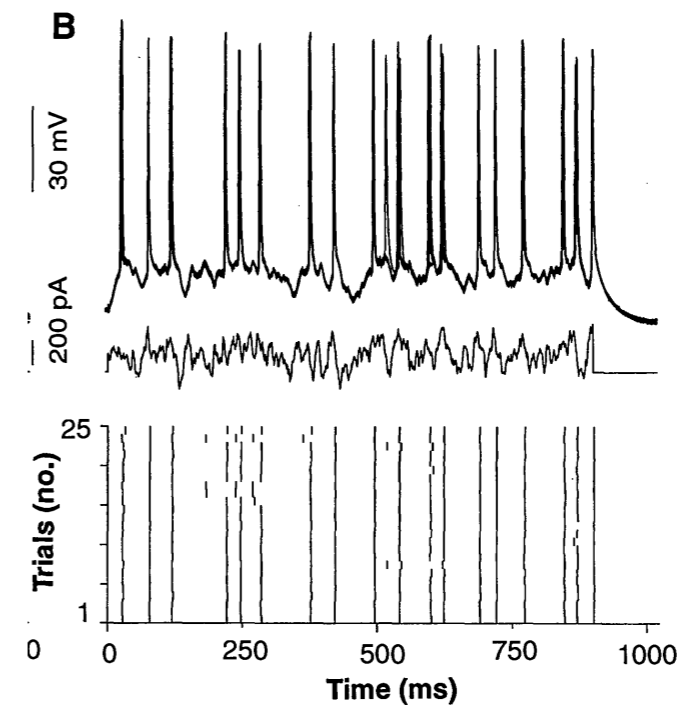
What is the source of cortical variability and its effect on computation?

resting state is highly irregular



Fox et al. PNAS 2005

neurons are reliable in isolation.



Mainen and Sejnowski Science 1995

# Deterministic and stochastic networks exhibit the same spontaneous activity

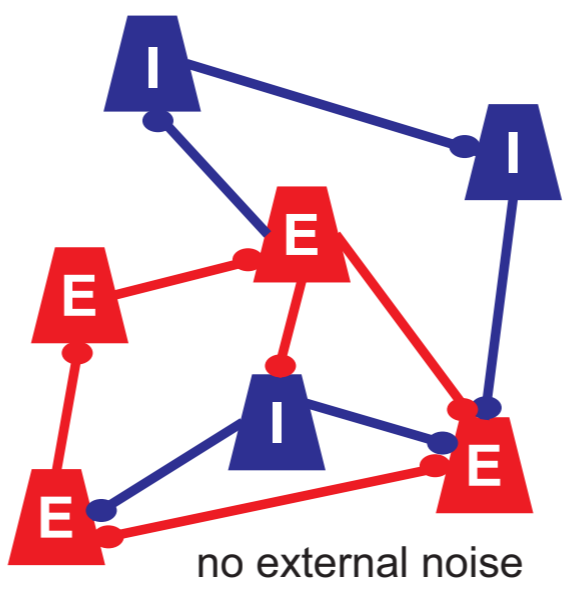
## MODEL

Balanced Randomly connected  
quadratic-integrate-and-fire  
neurons

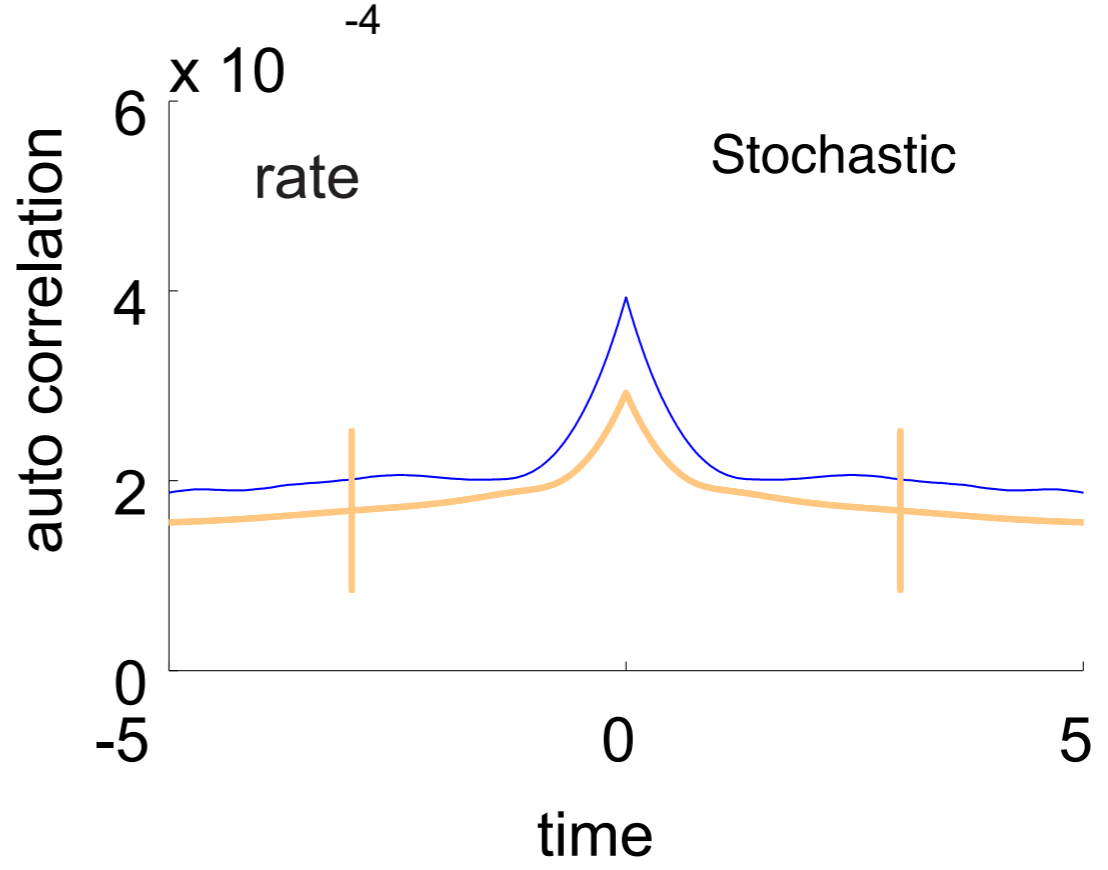
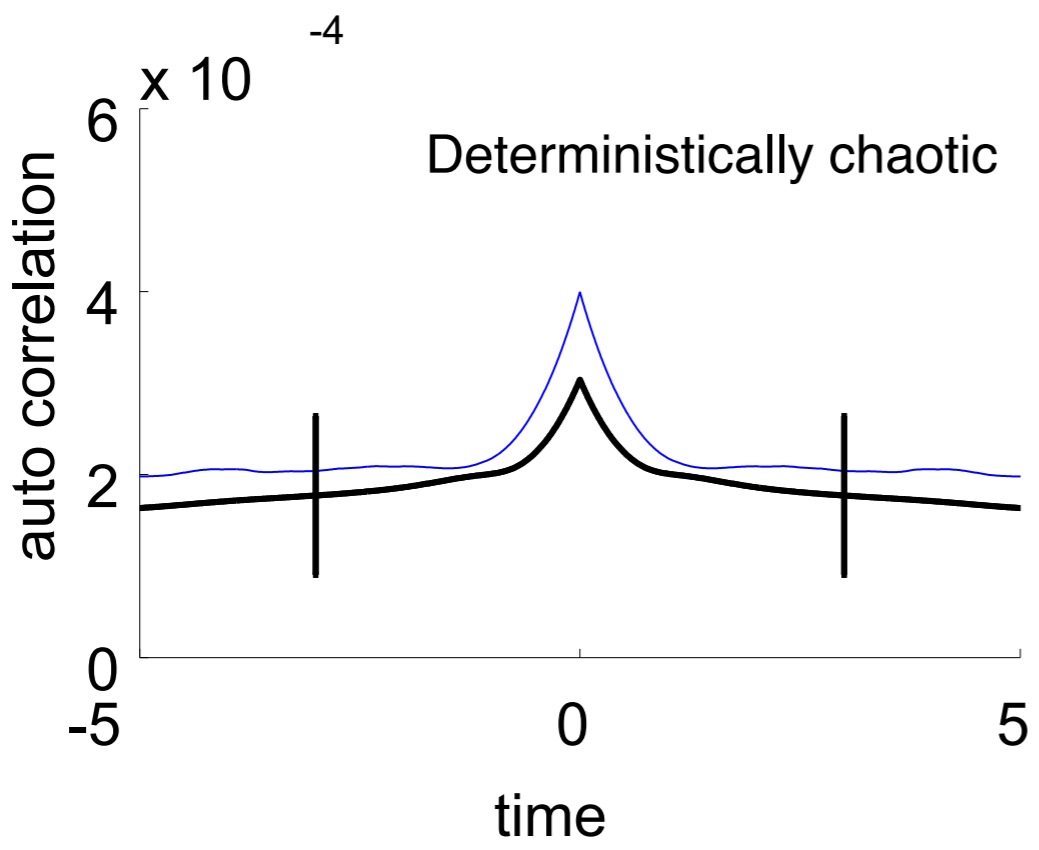
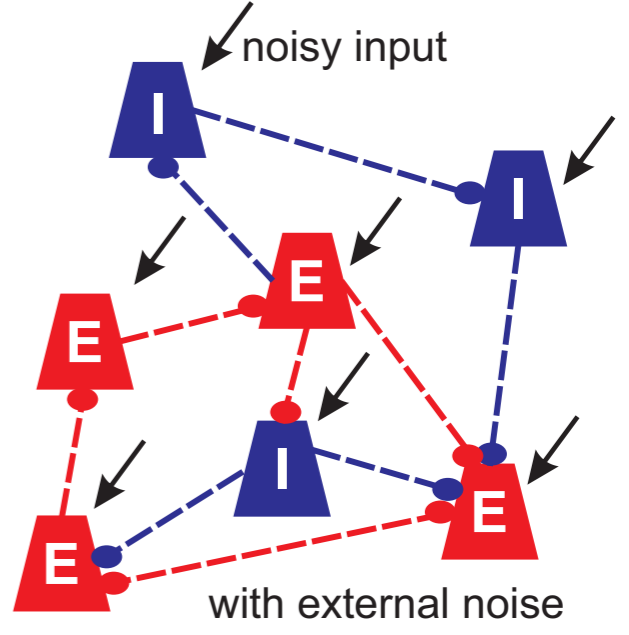
$$\tau_V \dot{V}_i = (V_i - V_0)(V_i - V_1) + \sum_j J_{ij} r_j + I_i$$

$$\tau_r \dot{r}_i = -r_i + \tau_V \delta(V - V_\infty)$$

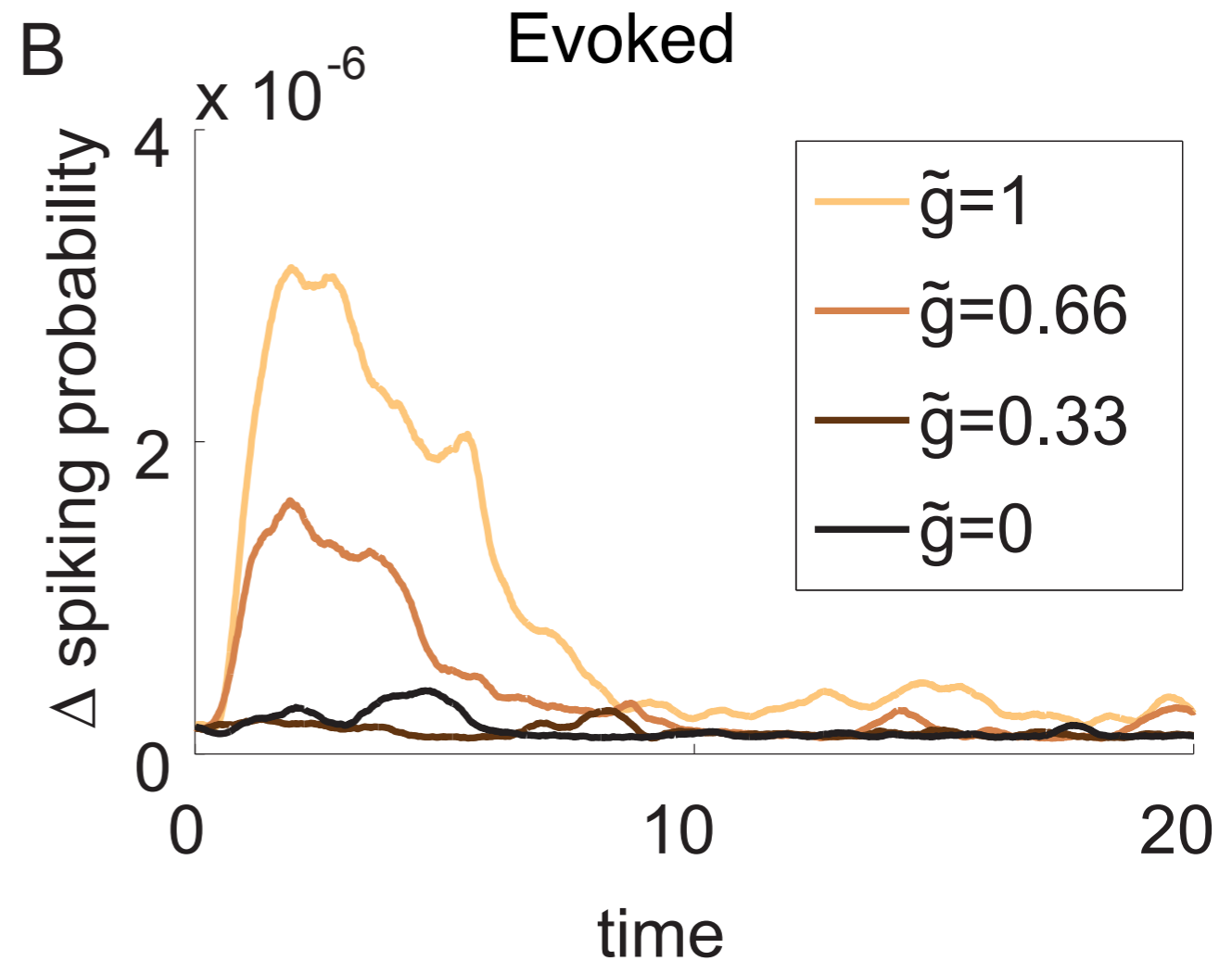
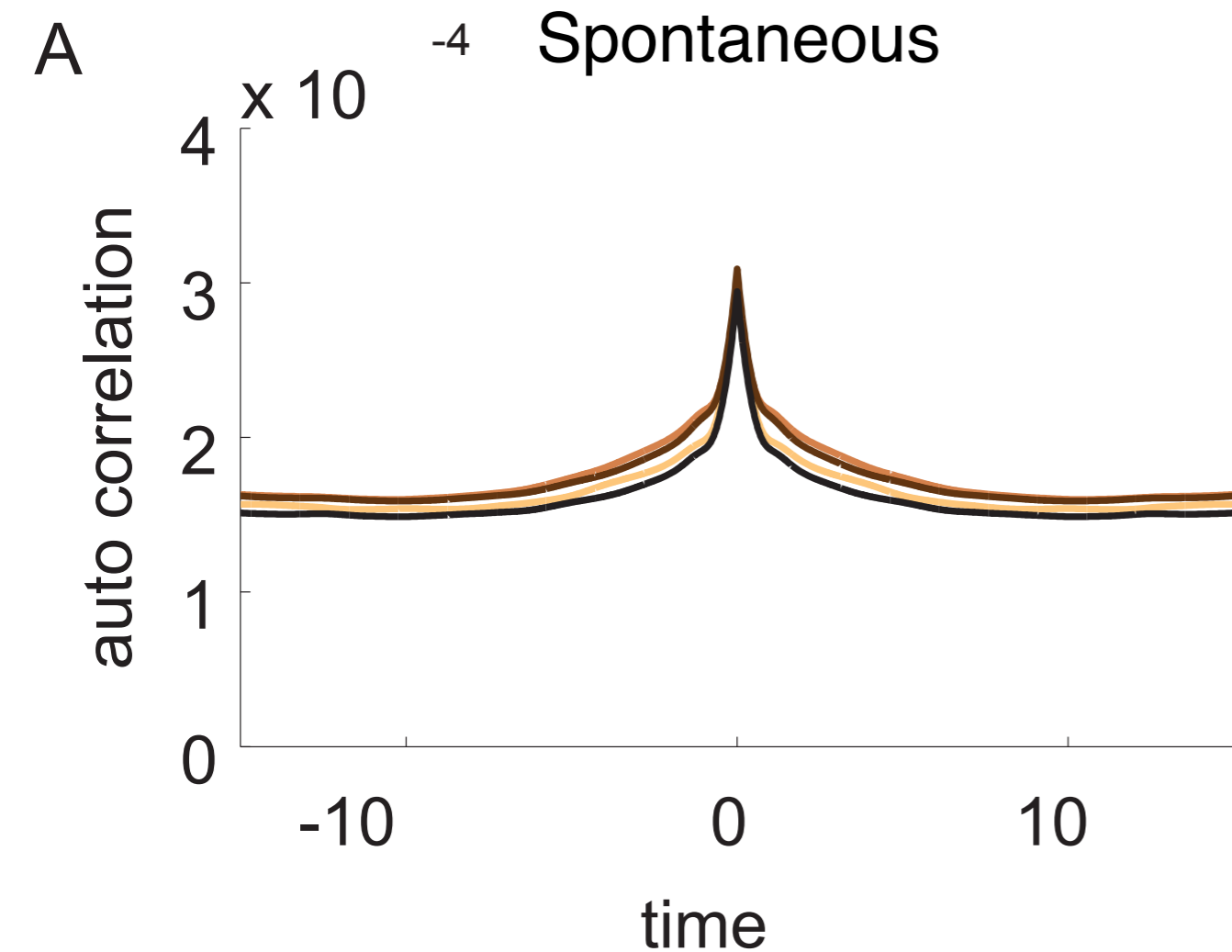
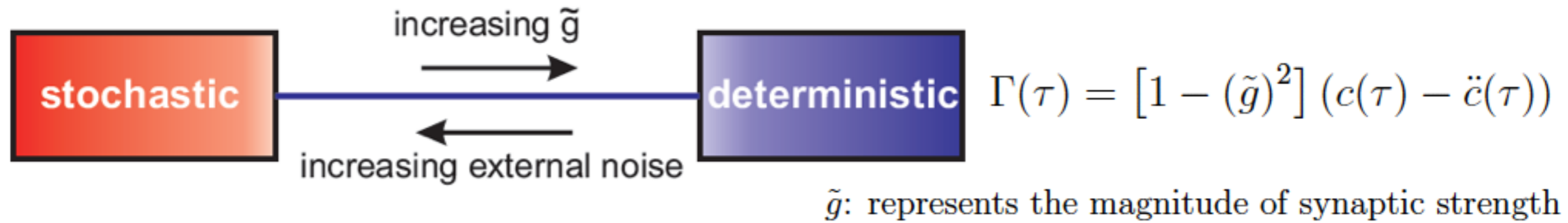
Deterministically chaotic  
Strongly connected



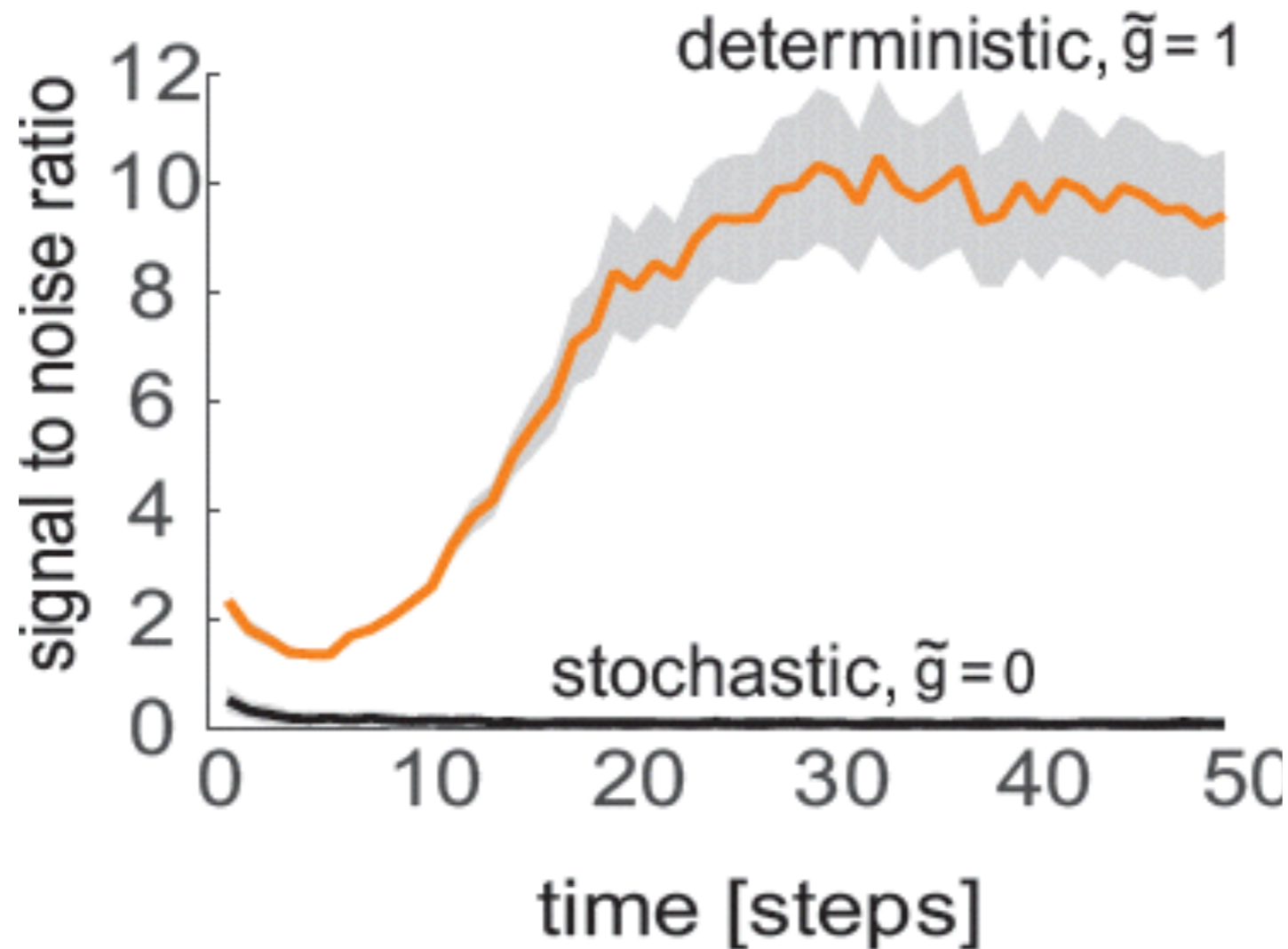
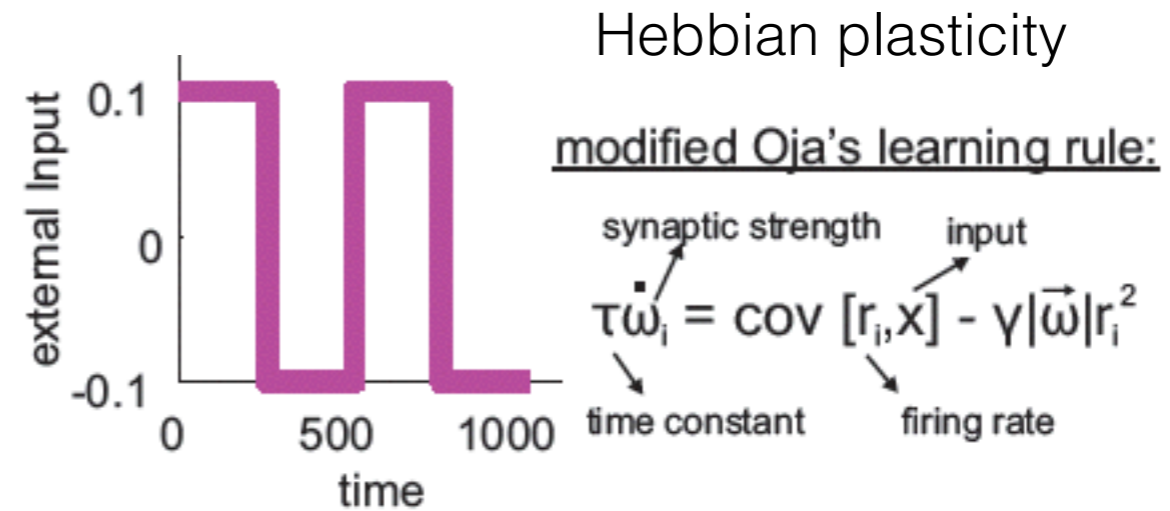
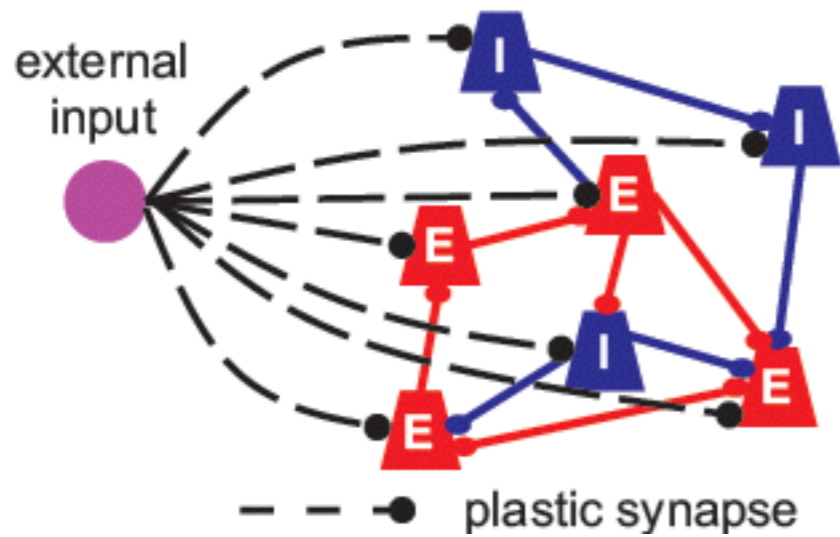
Stochastic  
Weakly connected



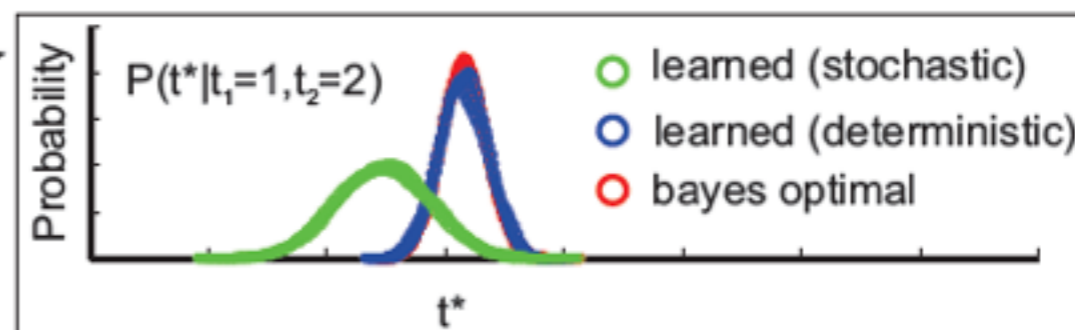
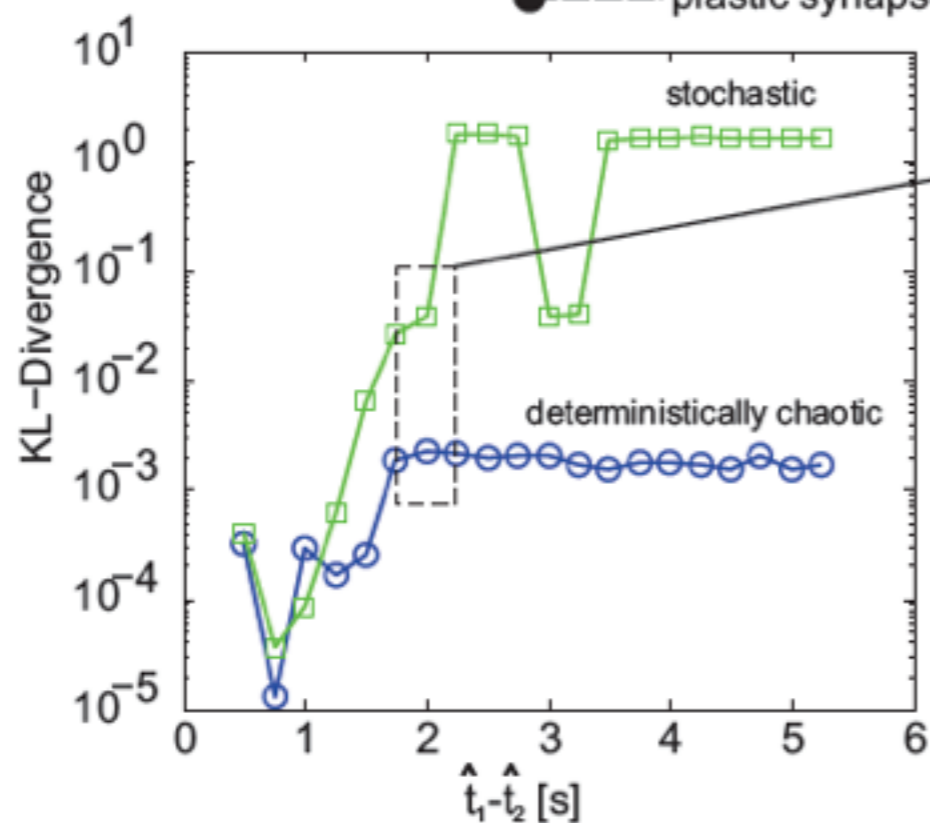
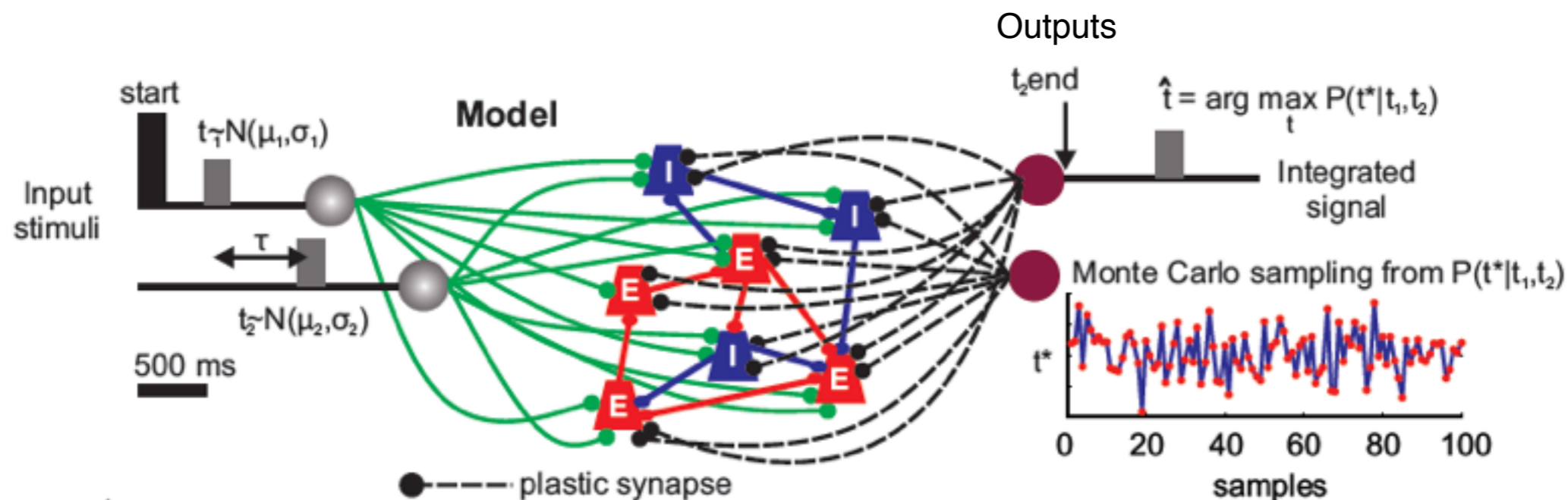
# DMFT: a one-parameter family with the same spontaneous activity



# The source of variability influences signal processing under activity dependent plasticity



# Internally generated variability (deterministic chaos) as substrate for Bayesian integration and sampling



Deterministic chaotic network performs bayes optimal probabilistic computation

Conclusion: Deterministic chaos as a possible substrate for cortical variability and efficient neural computations