



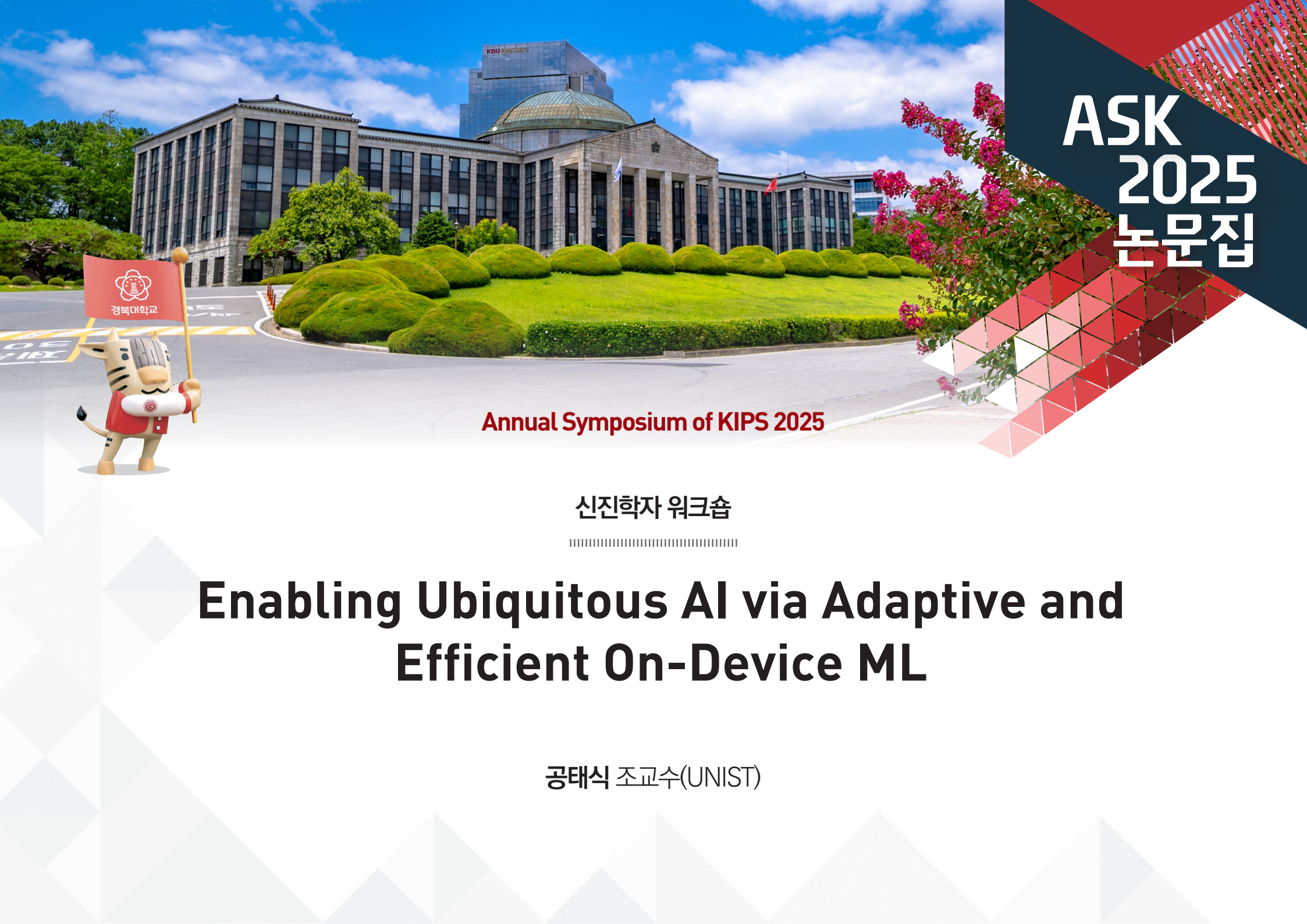
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Enabling Ubiquitous AI via Adaptive and Efficient On-Device ML

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Who am I?



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Experience

- Visiting Scholar, **University of Cambridge**, Cambridge, UK, 2024
- Research Scientist, **Nokia Bell Labs**, Cambridge, UK, 2023-2024
- Research Intern, **Google Research**, NYC, USA, 2022
- Research Intern, **Microsoft Research**, Beijing, China, 2019
- Research Intern, **Nokia Bell Labs**, Cambridge, UK, 2018

Education

- **KAIST**: Ph.D., School of Computing, 2023
- **KAIST**: M.S., School of Computing, 2017
- **Yonsei University**: B.S., Computer Science, 2016

Research areas

- **Human-Centered AI**
- **Adaptive & Personalized AI**
- **On-Device AI Systems**

Selected Publications

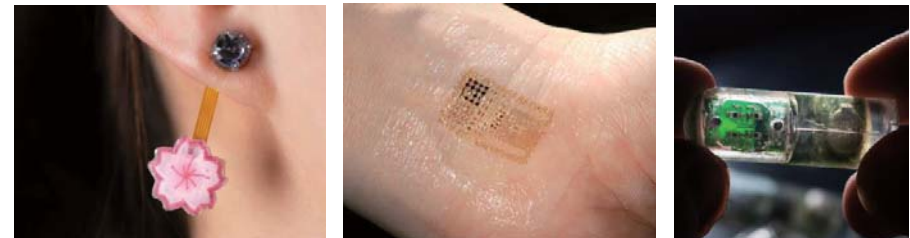
- **AI/ML**: ICLR '25, NeurIPS '24, EMNLP '24, CVPR '24, NeurIPS '23, NeurIPS '22
- **Ubiquitous Computing**: SenSys '25, UbiComp '24, UbiComp '23, CHI '22, SenSys '19, UbiComp '19

Our Lab's Mission: Making AI Ubiquitous

Foundational AI



Ubiquitous AI

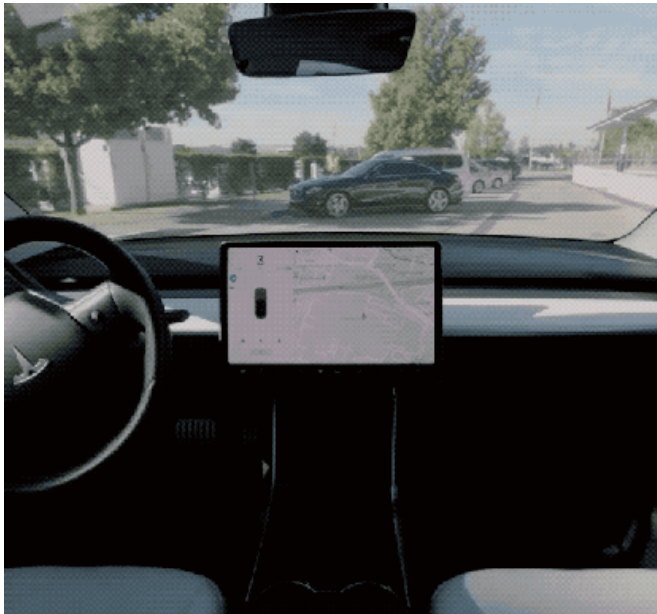


Security
Low latency
Personalization

On-Device AI: The Backbone of Ubiquitous AI

- Running AI models on edge devices without cloud servers

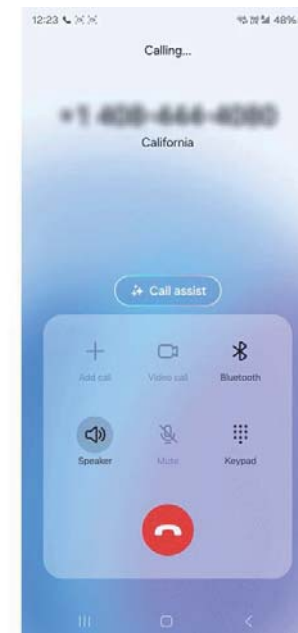
Tesla Autopilot 4.0
(2023.03)



Google Gemini Nano
(2023.12)



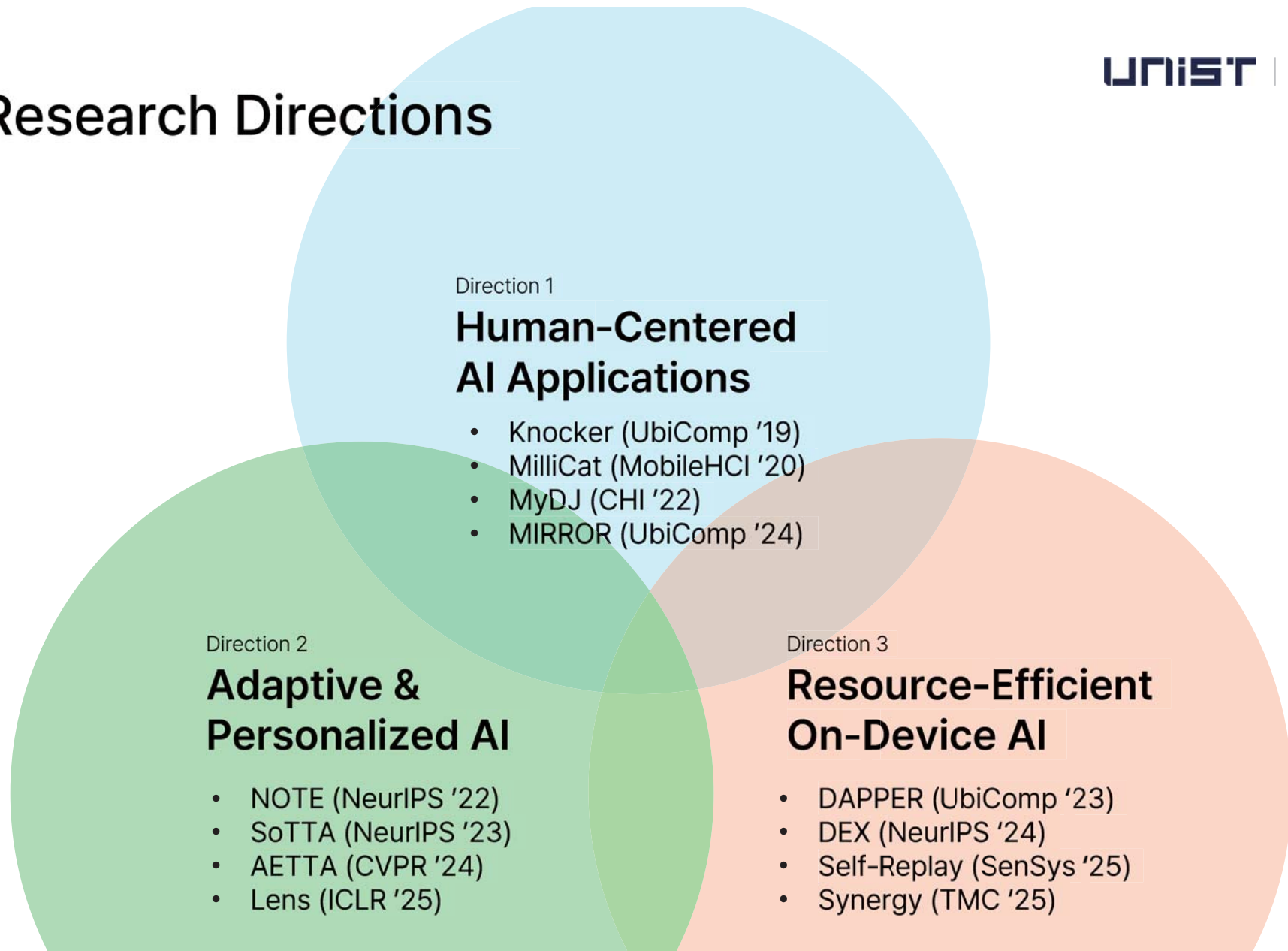
Samsung Live Translate
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Apple Intelligence
(2024.07)



Our Research Directions



Direction 1: Human-Centered AI Applications

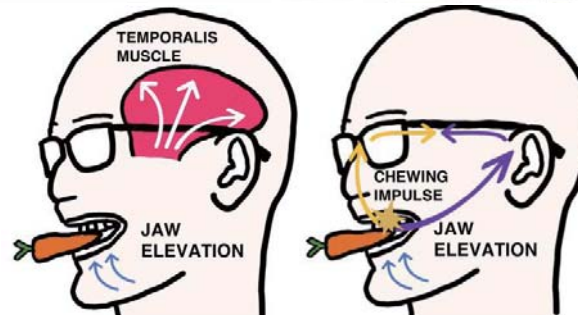
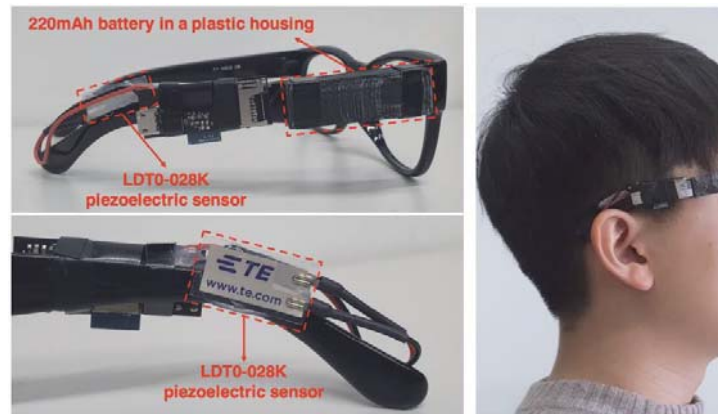
"How can we enrich users' daily lives with on-device AI?"

Object Interaction (UbiComp '19)



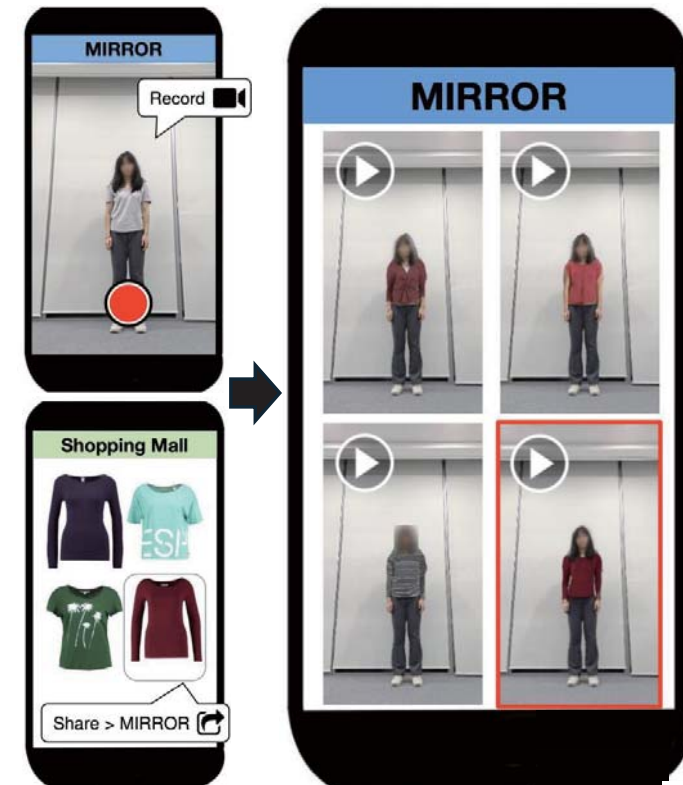
*Featured by KBS, MBC, YTN

Eating Tracking (CHI '22)



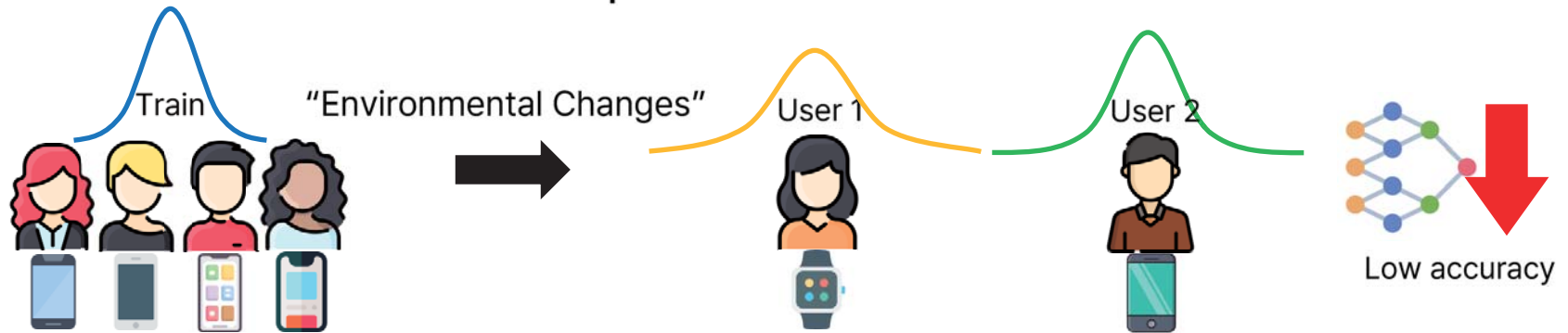
*Best Paper Honorable Mention

Virtual Try-On (UbiComp '24)



Direction 2: Adaptive & Personalized AI

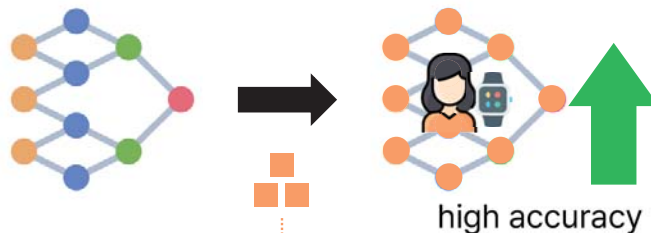
"How can we adapt AI to different environments?"



Requirements: (1) accuracy \uparrow (2) computation \downarrow (3) user burden \downarrow

Few-Shot Adaptation

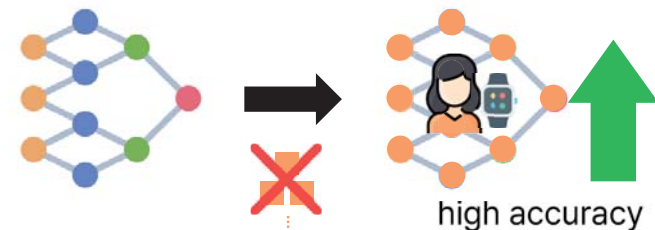
(SenSys '19, TMC '22, UbiComp '23)



Adaptation with one or two samples

Test-Time Adaptation

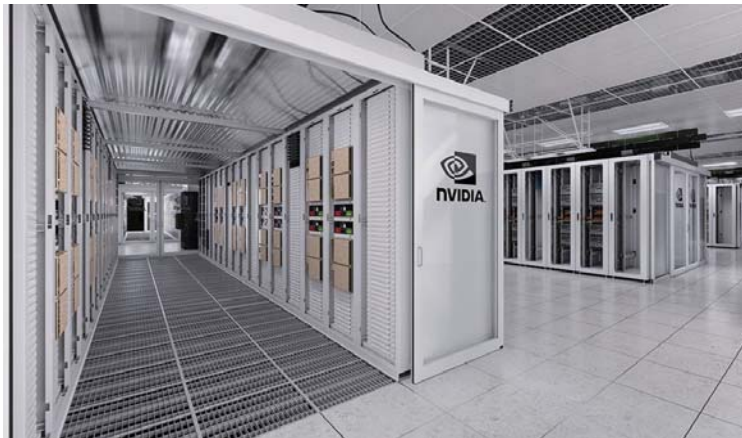
(NeurIPS '22, NeurIPS '23, CVPR '24)



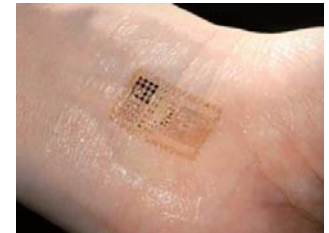
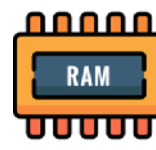
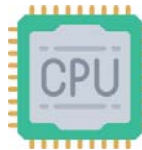
Adaptation without data collection

Direction 3: Resource-Efficient On-Device AI

"How can we support AI in a resource-efficient manner?"



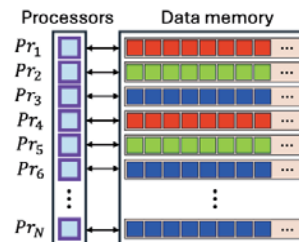
Extremely Limited Resources



Performance Estimator (UbiComp '23) Tiny AI Accelerator (NeurIPS '24) Wearable Collaboration (TMC '25)



396× ↓ latency
40% ↑ accuracy

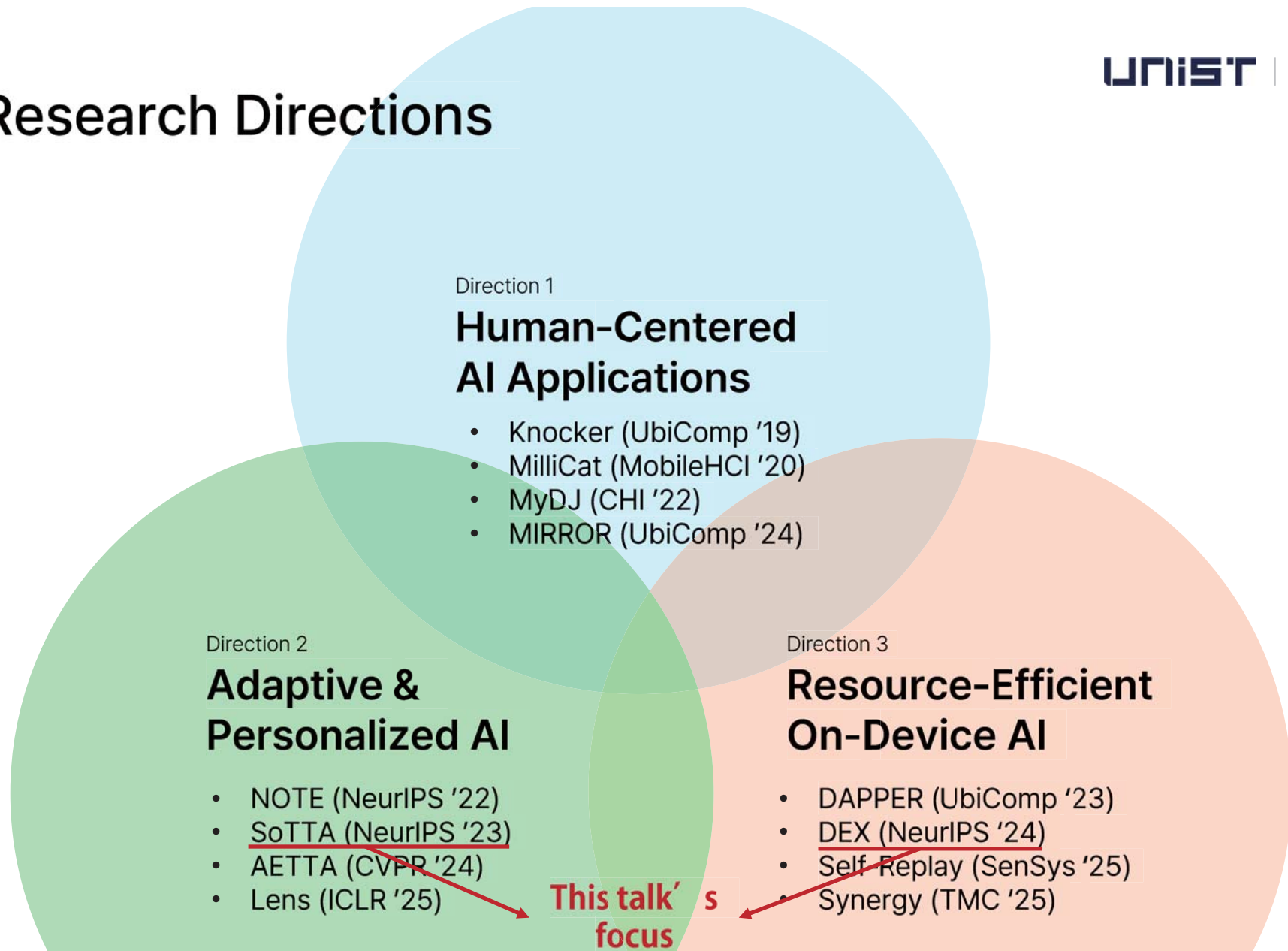


21× ↑ utilization
3% ↑ accuracy



23× ↑ TPUT
74% ↓ latency
16% ↓ power

Our Research Directions



SoTTA: Robust Test-Time Adaptation on Noisy Data Streams

Taesik Gong, Yewon Kim, Taeckyoung Lee, Sorn Chottananurak, and Sung-Ju Lee

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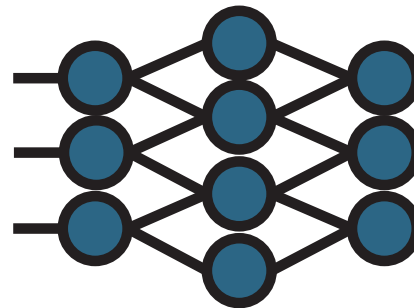


Illustration of Test-Time Adaptation (TTA)

Incoming Test Samples



Test & Adapt



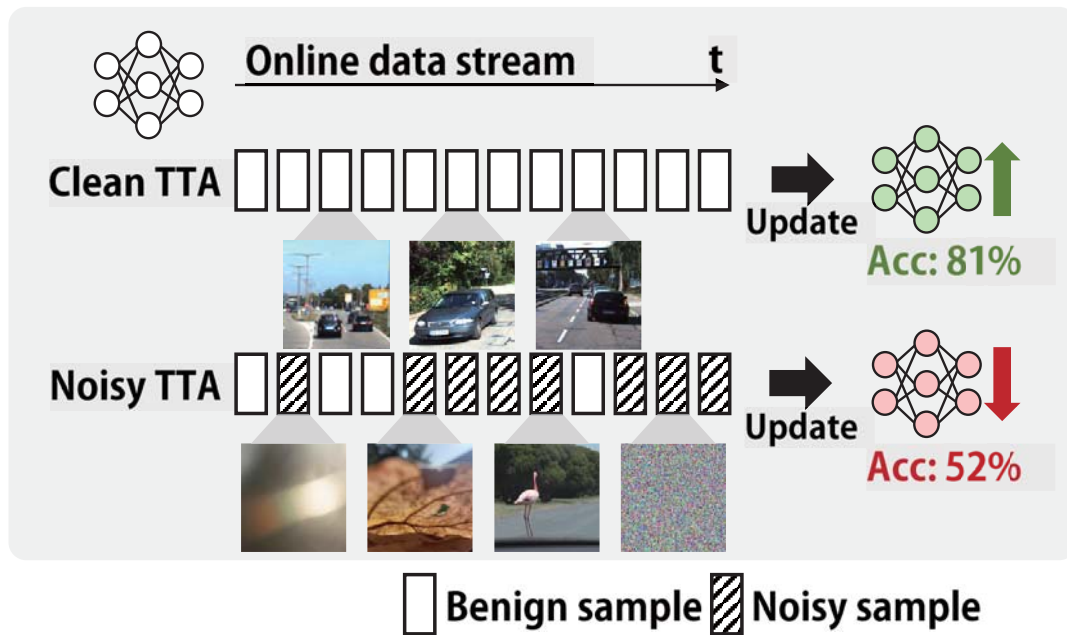
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Accuracy ↑

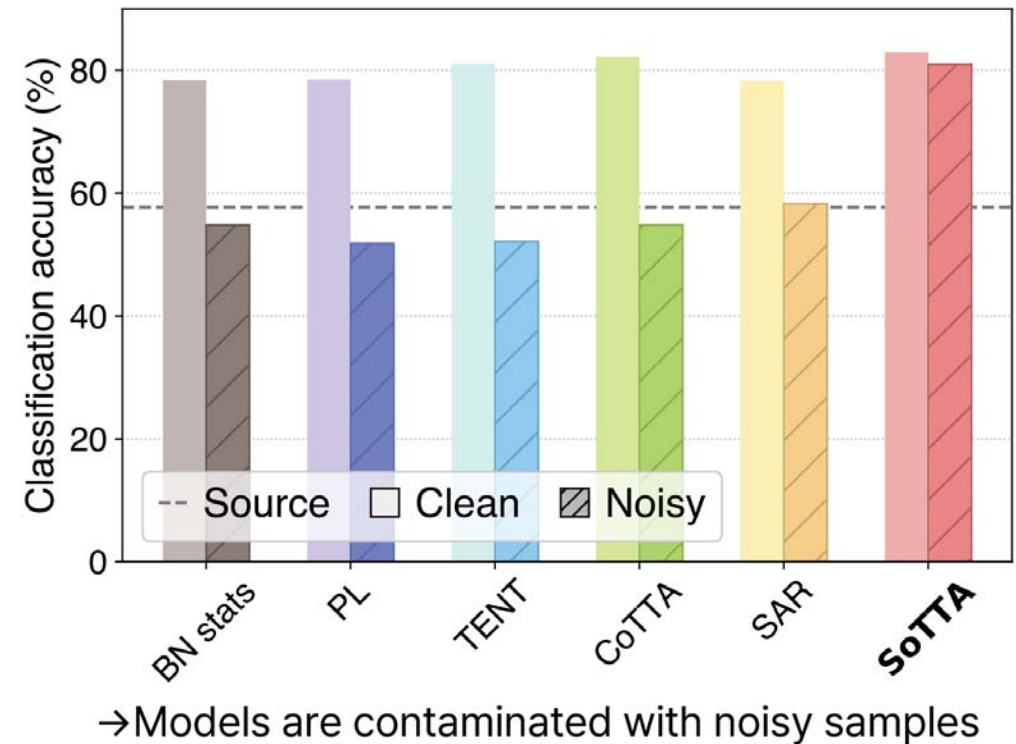
TTA **gradually** adapts to **unseen** environments as it's being used

Test Samples Can be Unexpectedly Diverse in the Wild

Example: Autonomous driving scenario

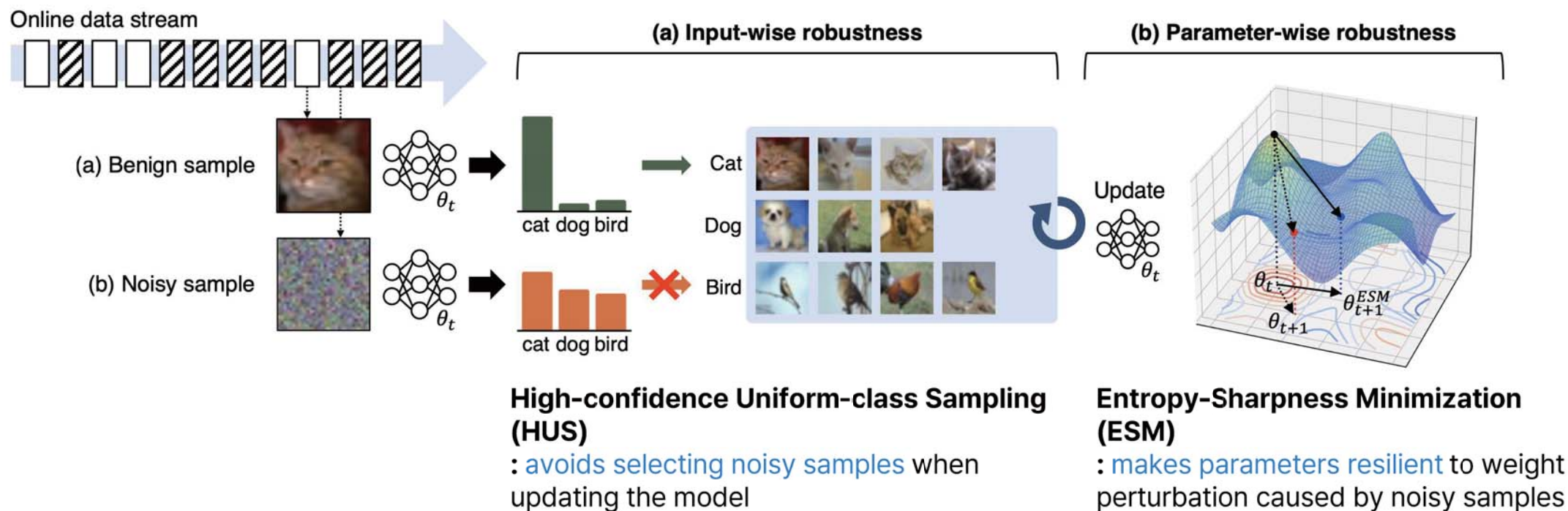


Prior methods fail with noisy test data



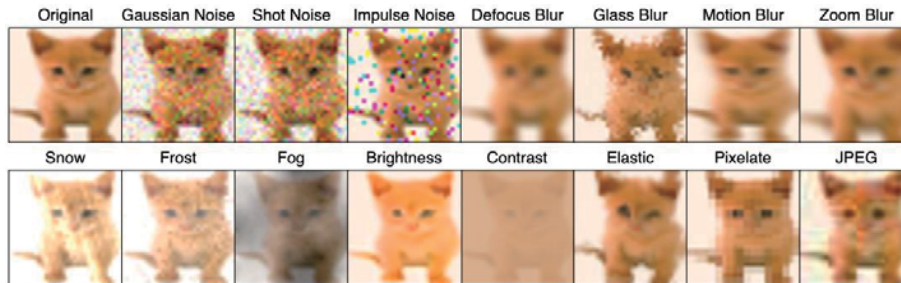
SoTTA: Screening-out Test-Time Adaptation

Goal: reduce the impact of noisy samples in TTA

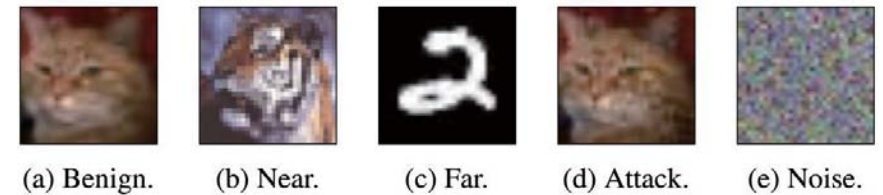


Evaluation with five scenarios (CIFAR10-C)

TTA benchmark: CIFAR10 + 15 Corruptions



Five noisy sample scenarios



Accuracy ↑ (%)

Method	Benign	Near	Far	Attack	Noise	Avg.
Source	57.7 ± 1.0	57.7 ± 1.0	57.7 ± 1.0	57.7 ± 1.0	57.7 ± 1.0	57.7 ± 1.0
BN Stats [27]	78.4 ± 0.3	76.6 ± 0.4	75.2 ± 0.3	55.9 ± 1.4	54.8 ± 0.8	68.2 ± 0.5
PL [17]	78.5 ± 0.3	73.4 ± 0.2	69.8 ± 1.5	66.3 ± 1.3	51.8 ± 0.9	68.0 ± 0.6
TENT [38]	81.0 ± 0.4	74.3 ± 0.9	71.2 ± 1.0	68.9 ± 0.9	52.1 ± 0.4	69.5 ± 0.4
LAME [1]	55.9 ± 0.5	56.4 ± 0.6	55.5 ± 0.4	55.9 ± 0.5	54.9 ± 0.6	55.7 ± 0.5
CoTTA [39]	82.2 ± 0.2	78.4 ± 0.4	74.5 ± 1.2	69.5 ± 1.5	54.8 ± 1.3	71.9 ± 0.4
EATA [28]	82.4 ± 0.2	63.9 ± 0.4	56.3 ± 0.5	70.9 ± 0.6	36.0 ± 0.8	61.9 ± 0.2
SAR [29]	78.3 ± 0.7	72.4 ± 8.8	73.3 ± 3.9	56.2 ± 1.8	58.3 ± 0.3	67.7 ± 2.4
RoTTA [44]	75.5 ± 0.7	77.7 ± 0.6	77.1 ± 1.1	78.4 ± 0.7	73.6 ± 0.5	76.5 ± 0.7
SoTTA	82.2 ± 0.3	81.4 ± 0.5	81.6 ± 0.6	84.5 ± 0.2	80.0 ± 1.4	81.9 ± 0.5

- Most existing TTA methods show **performance degradation** under noisy test streams
- SoTTA is **robust** to noisy streams and **outperforms** the best baseline by **5.4%p**

DEX: Data Channel Extension for Efficient CNN Inference on Tiny AI Accelerators

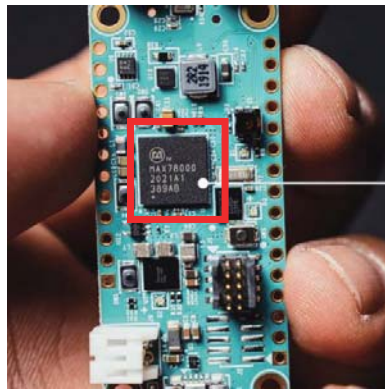
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Tiny AI Accelerators: New On-Device AI Platforms

Tiny AI Accelerator (MAX78000, 8mm × 8mm)



Omnibuds by Bell Labs

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□ Tiny AI Accelerators □ Microcontroller units (MCUs)

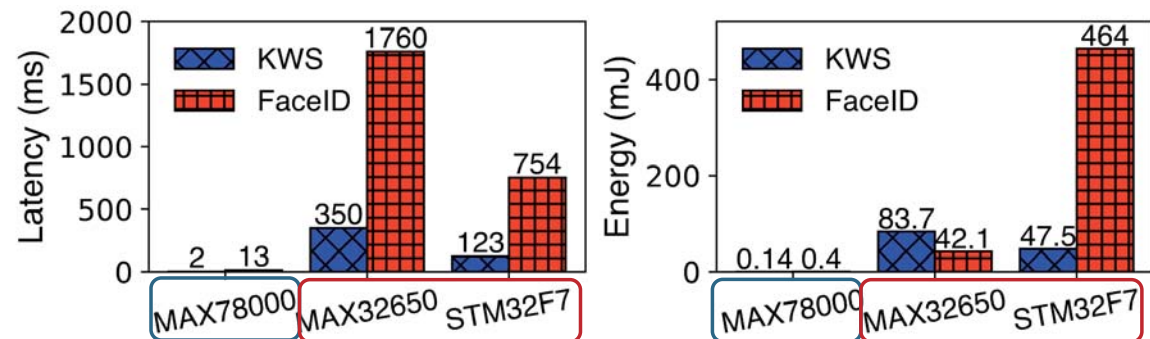


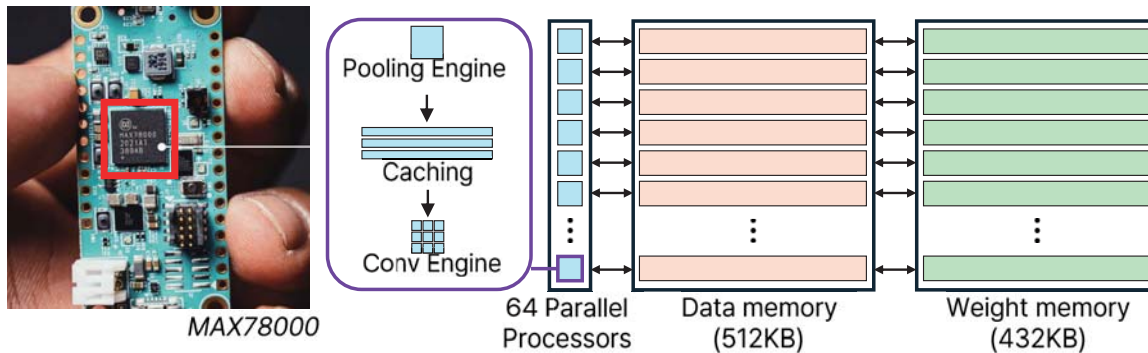
Figure 3: Performance comparison between AI accelerator (MAX78000) and MCUs (MAX32650 and STM32F7).

- 62~175× faster inference
- 105~1160× less energy consumption

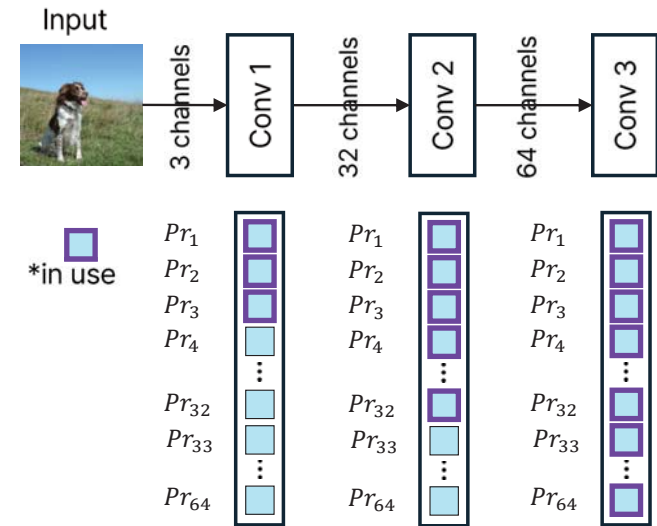
→ Opportunity of (1) reduced latency, (2) lower power cost, and (3) improved privacy for on-device AI

Why Are Tiny AI Accelerators Fast? Parallelization

Architecture of Tiny AI Accelerator

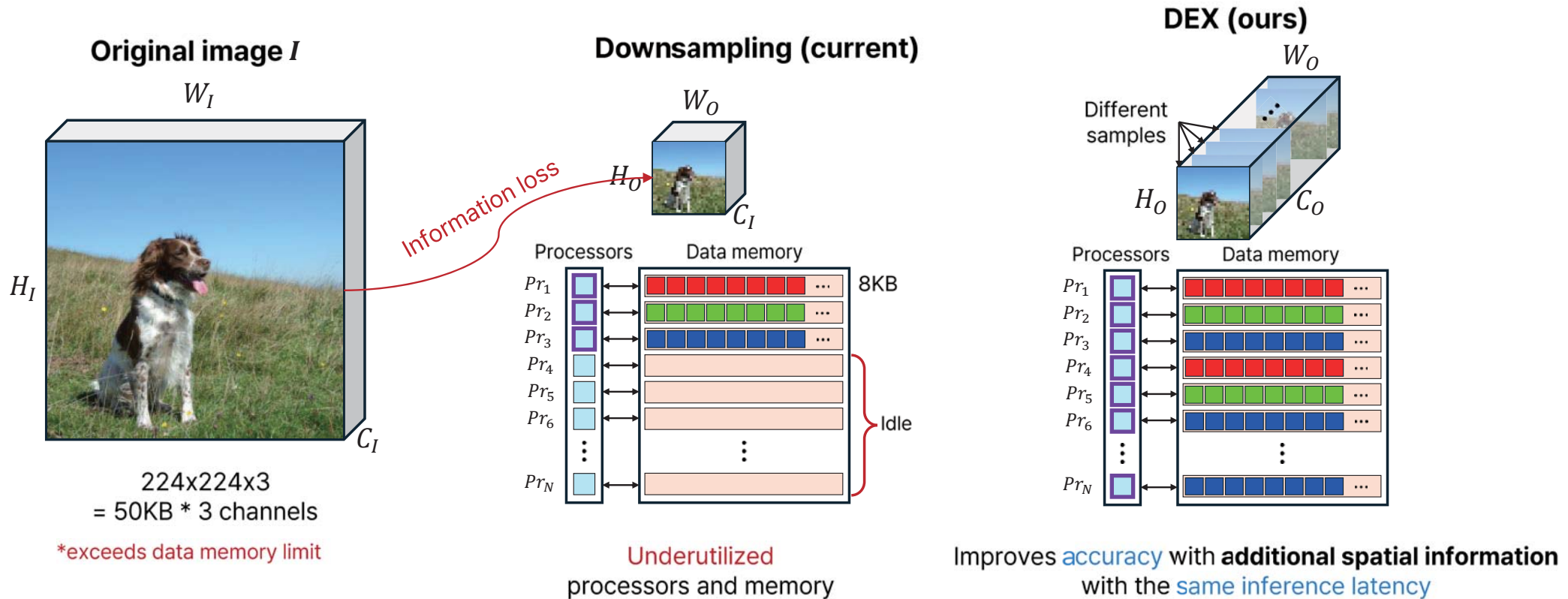


Parallelization across channels



Parallel data access and processing are the keys to fast inference

Tiny AI Accelerator Lacks Data Memory



DEX: Result

Accuracy

Dataset	Method	SimpleNet	WideNet	EfficientNetV2	MobileNetV2	AVG (%)
ImageNette	Downsampling	57.8 ± 1.2	61.8 ± 0.2	51.3 ± 0.5	62.0 ± 0.7	58.2
	CoordConv	58.0 ± 1.1	61.7 ± 0.2	51.9 ± 0.1	61.6 ± 0.3	58.3
	CoordConv (r)	55.4 ± 1.5	61.4 ± 0.2	51.7 ± 1.0	61.2 ± 1.1	57.4
	DEX (ours)	61.4 ± 0.6	65.6 ± 0.6	56.8 ± 0.5	64.4 ± 0.6	62.0
Caltech101	Downsampling	54.6 ± 2.1	55.8 ± 1.2	38.6 ± 0.9	51.4 ± 1.6	50.1
	CoordConv	53.8 ± 1.6	56.5 ± 0.1	38.7 ± 0.2	49.8 ± 0.5	49.7
	CoordConv (r)	52.7 ± 0.5	56.0 ± 1.7	38.2 ± 1.0	49.7 ± 1.2	49.1
	DEX (ours)	56.9 ± 1.3	61.1 ± 1.4	45.9 ± 1.9	53.3 ± 1.7	54.3
Caltech256	Downsampling	19.8 ± 0.6	20.8 ± 0.5	14.7 ± 0.4	22.4 ± 1.0	19.4
	CoordConv	19.8 ± 0.5	21.3 ± 0.8	14.8 ± 0.8	22.7 ± 0.8	19.6
	CoordConv (r)	20.0 ± 1.6	20.9 ± 0.6	14.5 ± 0.3	22.7 ± 0.4	19.5
	DEX (ours)	22.8 ± 0.5	22.9 ± 0.9	18.3 ± 0.9	26.3 ± 0.5	22.6
Food101	Downsampling	16.0 ± 0.4	17.7 ± 0.7	12.1 ± 0.2	22.4 ± 0.6	17.1
	CoordConv	16.1 ± 0.8	17.7 ± 0.3	12.0 ± 0.1	21.7 ± 0.3	16.9
	CoordConv (r)	16.3 ± 0.4	17.3 ± 0.6	12.0 ± 0.6	20.9 ± 0.3	16.6
	DEX (ours)	18.4 ± 0.4	20.9 ± 0.4	16.4 ± 0.1	23.3 ± 1.1	19.8

Latency

Model	Method	InputChan	Size (KB)	InfoRatio (×)	ProcUtil (%)	Latency (μs)
SimpleNet	Downsampling	3	162.6	1.0	4.7	2592 ± 1
	CoordConv	5	162.9	1.0	7.8	2592 ± 2
	CoordConv (r)	6	163.0	1.0	9.4	2592 ± 2
	DEX (ours)	64	171.2	21.3	100.0	2591 ± 1
WideNet	Downsampling	3	306.4	1.0	4.7	3820 ± 1
	CoordConv	5	306.9	1.0	7.8	3820 ± 0
	CoordConv (r)	6	307.1	1.0	9.4	3819 ± 1
	DEX (ours)	64	319.3	21.3	100.0	3818 ± 1
EfficientNetV2	Downsampling	3	742.4	1.0	4.7	11688 ± 2
	CoordConv	5	743.0	1.0	7.8	11685 ± 3
	CoordConv (r)	6	743.2	1.0	9.4	11689 ± 1
	DEX (ours)	64	759.6	21.3	100.0	11690 ± 2
MobileNetV2	Downsampling	3	1317.8	1.0	4.7	3553 ± 4
	CoordConv	5	1318.2	1.0	7.8	3554 ± 1
	CoordConv (r)	6	1318.4	1.0	9.4	3554 ± 2
	DEX (ours)	64	1330.7	21.3	100.0	3552 ± 3

DEX improves accuracy by **3.5%p**
while keeping the **inference latency the same** on the tiny AI accelerator

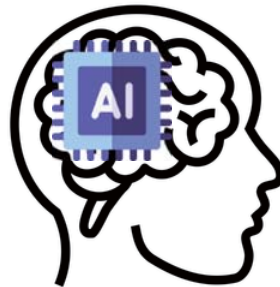
Ongoing & Future Work

Personal Multi-Modal LLM Agents



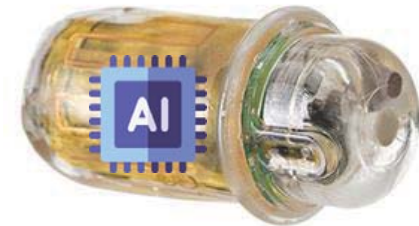
Personalization + On-device LLM

Human memory augmentation



LLM + context analysis

AI-powered ingestible pill



On-device AI + medical problem

We are always open to collaborations—please feel free to reach out!



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SoTTA: Impact of individual components

Input-wise robustness: [High-Confidence Uniform-Class Sampling \(HUS\)](#)
Parameter-wise robustness: Entropy-Sharpness Minimization ([ESM](#))

Method	Benign	Near	Far	Attack	Noise	Avg.
Source	57.7 \pm 1.0	57.7 \pm 1.0	57.7 \pm 1.0	57.7 \pm 1.0	57.7 \pm 1.0	57.7 \pm 1.0
HC	34.9 \pm 4.8	13.6 \pm 0.3	17.6 \pm 3.8	16.9 \pm 1.6	16.8 \pm 0.2	20.0 \pm 2.0
UC	66.4 \pm 3.0	62.1 \pm 0.8	56.5 \pm 2.0	70.0 \pm 3.9	59.5 \pm 3.0	62.9 \pm 0.7
HC + UC (HUS)	69.8 \pm 1.1	61.7 \pm 1.3	58.4 \pm 0.5	40.9 \pm 5.5	58.9 \pm 2.6	57.9 \pm 0.8
ESM	82.6 \pm 0.2	77.9 \pm 0.4	72.8 \pm 0.7	83.4 \pm 0.2	60.5 \pm 1.8	75.4 \pm 0.5
HC + ESM	82.3 \pm 0.2	80.9 \pm 0.6	74.9 \pm 2.4	83.5 \pm 0.2	68.7 \pm 7.0	78.0 \pm 2.0
UC + ESM	82.2 \pm 0.2	78.0 \pm 0.4	75.9 \pm 0.5	84.3 \pm 0.1	77.7 \pm 0.7	79.6 \pm 0.2
HUS + ESM (SoTTA)	82.2 \pm 0.3	81.4 \pm 0.5	81.6 \pm 0.6	84.5 \pm 0.2	80.0 \pm 1.4	81.9 \pm 0.5

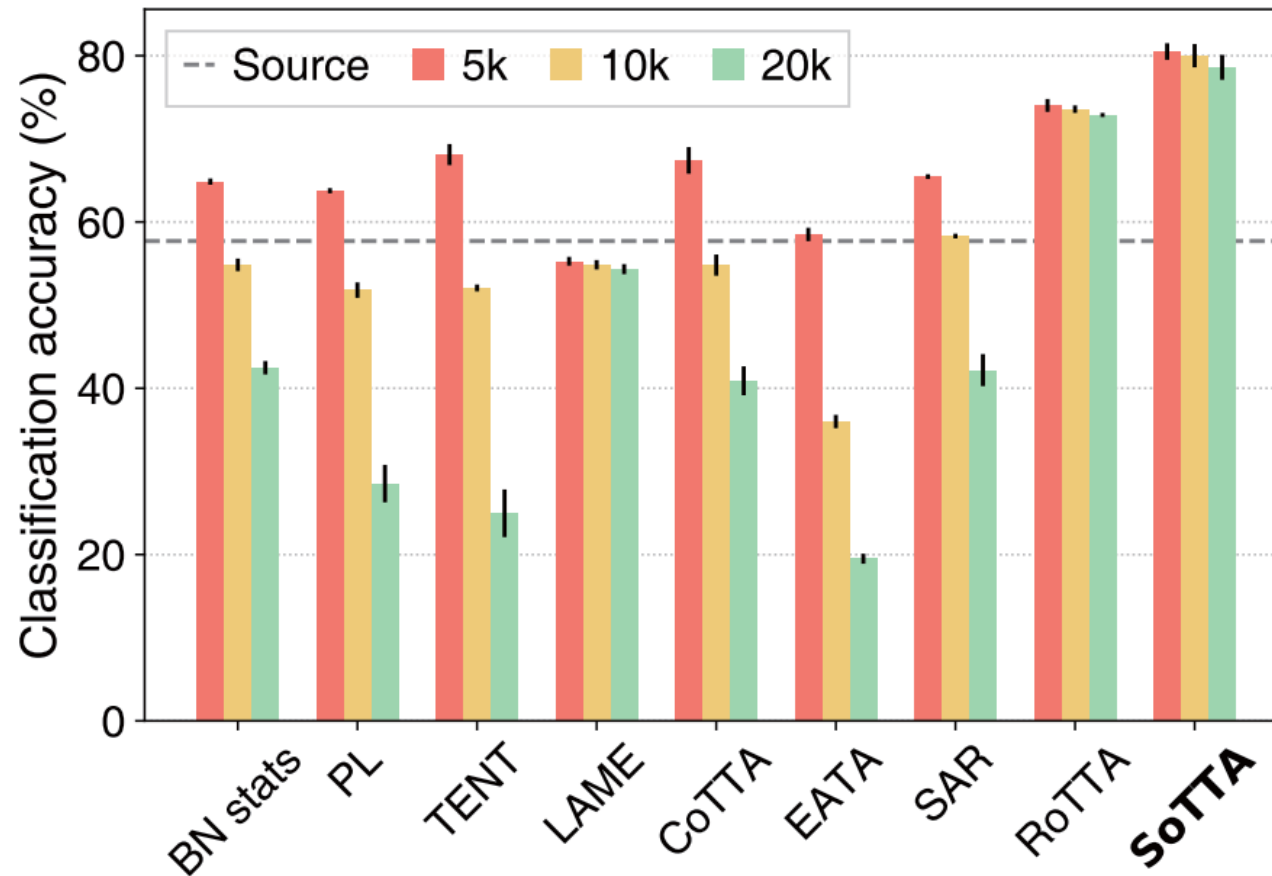
- The accuracy is improved as we sequentially added each approach of SoTTA
- Ensuring both input-wise and parameter-wise robustness via HUS and ESM is a **synergetic strategy**

SoTTA: CIFAR100-C & ImageNet

Method	Benign	Near	Far	Attack	Noise	Avg.
Source	33.2 \pm 0.4	33.2 \pm 0.4	33.2 \pm 0.4	33.2 \pm 0.4	33.2 \pm 0.4	33.2 \pm 0.4
BN Stats [27]	53.7 \pm 0.2	50.8 \pm 0.1	46.8 \pm 0.1	29.2 \pm 0.4	28.3 \pm 0.3	41.8 \pm 0.1
PL [17]	56.6 \pm 0.2	48.0 \pm 0.3	42.8 \pm 0.7	39.0 \pm 0.4	23.8 \pm 0.6	42.1 \pm 0.3
TENT [38]	59.5 \pm 0.0	46.4 \pm 1.4	40.0 \pm 1.3	31.9 \pm 0.7	20.0 \pm 0.9	39.5 \pm 0.7
LAME [1]	31.0 \pm 0.5	31.5 \pm 0.5	30.8 \pm 0.7	31.0 \pm 0.6	31.1 \pm 0.7	31.1 \pm 0.6
CoTTA [39]	55.8 \pm 0.4	50.0 \pm 0.3	42.4 \pm 0.4	37.2 \pm 0.2	27.3 \pm 0.3	42.6 \pm 0.2
EATA [28]	23.5 \pm 1.9	6.1 \pm 0.3	4.8 \pm 0.5	3.7 \pm 0.6	2.4 \pm 0.2	8.1 \pm 0.3
SAR [29]	57.3 \pm 0.3	55.4 \pm 0.1	51.2 \pm 0.1	34.4 \pm 0.3	38.1 \pm 1.2	47.3 \pm 0.3
RoTTA [44]	48.7 \pm 0.6	49.4 \pm 0.5	49.8 \pm 0.9	51.5 \pm 0.4	48.3 \pm 0.5	49.6 \pm 0.6
SoTTA	60.5 \pm 0.0	57.1 \pm 0.2	59.0 \pm 0.4	61.9 \pm 0.0	58.6 \pm 1.0	59.4 \pm 0.3

Method	Benign	Near	Far	Attack	Noise	Avg.
Source	14.6 \pm 0.0	14.6 \pm 0.0	14.6 \pm 0.0	14.6 \pm 0.0	14.6 \pm 0.0	14.6 \pm 0.0
BN Stats [27]	27.1 \pm 0.0	18.9 \pm 0.1	14.8 \pm 0.0	17.4 \pm 0.8	12.8 \pm 0.0	18.2 \pm 0.1
PL [17]	30.5 \pm 0.1	6.9 \pm 0.0	5.1 \pm 0.2	18.1 \pm 1.3	3.4 \pm 0.6	12.8 \pm 0.2
TENT [38]	27.1 \pm 0.0	18.9 \pm 0.1	14.8 \pm 0.0	17.4 \pm 0.8	12.8 \pm 0.0	18.2 \pm 0.1
LAME [1]	14.4 \pm 0.0	14.4 \pm 0.1	14.4 \pm 0.0	14.0 \pm 0.6	14.3 \pm 0.0	14.3 \pm 0.1
CoTTA [39]	32.2 \pm 0.1	23.3 \pm 0.2	17.6 \pm 0.2	28.3 \pm 1.3	16.0 \pm 0.9	23.4 \pm 0.2
EATA [28]	38.0 \pm 0.1	25.6 \pm 0.4	23.1 \pm 0.1	26.1 \pm 0.1	20.7 \pm 0.2	26.7 \pm 0.0
SAR [29]	36.1 \pm 0.1	27.6 \pm 0.3	23.5 \pm 0.4	26.8 \pm 1.0	22.0 \pm 0.4	27.2 \pm 0.2
RoTTA [44]	29.7 \pm 0.0	25.6 \pm 0.4	29.2 \pm 0.2	32.0 \pm 1.2	31.2 \pm 0.2	29.5 \pm 0.3
SoTTA	39.8 \pm 0.0	27.9 \pm 0.3	36.1 \pm 0.1	41.1 \pm 0.1	39.0 \pm 0.1	36.8 \pm 0.0

SoTTA: Impact of the number of noisy samples



DEX: example images

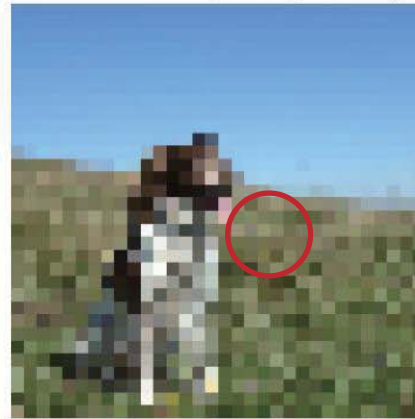
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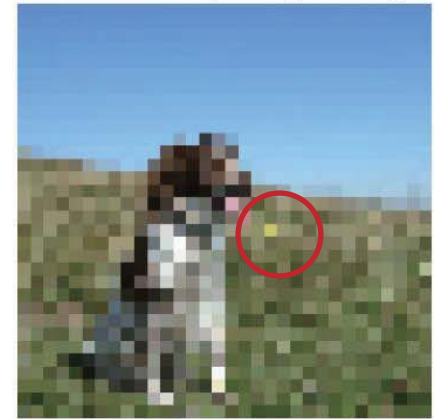
Downsampled ($k = 0$)



Downsampled ($k = 1$)



Downsampled ($k = 2$)



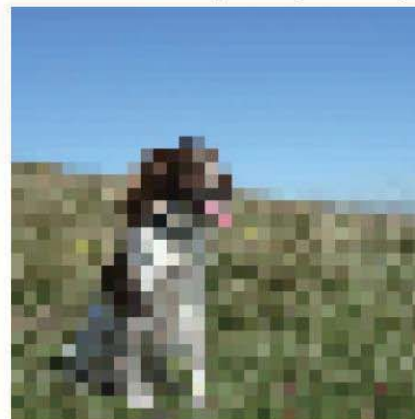
Downsampled ($k = 3$)



Downsampled ($k = 4$)



Downsampled ($k = 5$)



Downsampled ($k = 6$)

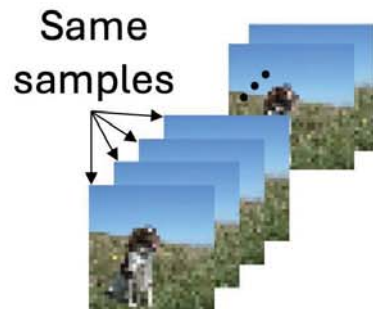


DEX: Comparison of data extension strategies

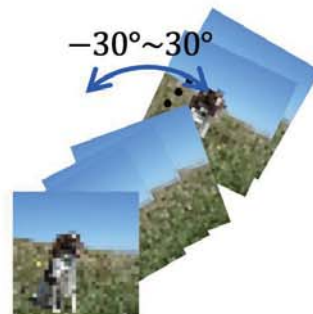
Table 4: Comparison of data extension strategies.

Method	InputChan	InfoRatio (\times)	Accuracy
Downsampling	3	1.0	57.8 ± 1.2
Repetition	64	1.0	56.3 ± 0.8
Rotation	64	1.0	55.7 ± 0.6
Tile per channel	64	21.3	39.3 ± 0.9
Patch-wise seq.	64	21.3	60.4 ± 1.5
DEX	64	21.3	61.4 ± 0.6

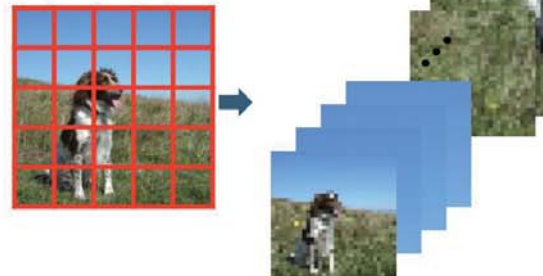
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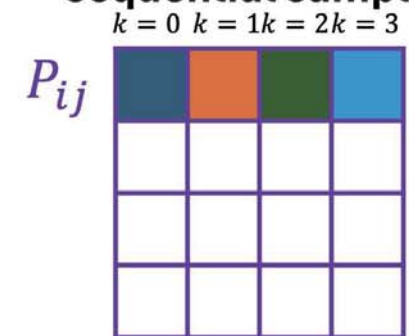
(b) Rotation



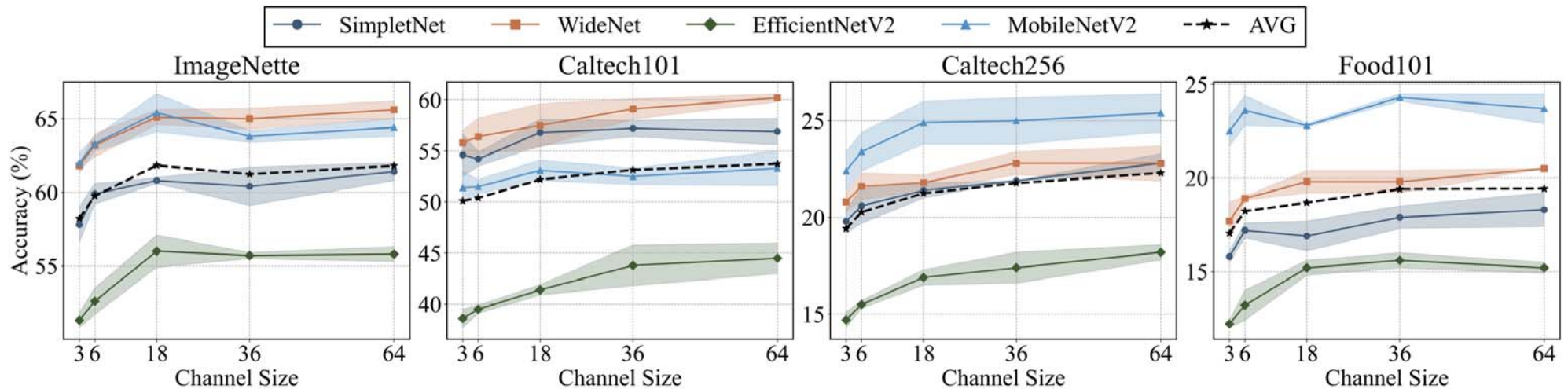
(c) Tile



(d) Patch-wise sequential sampling



DEX: Accuracy of DEX varying the channel size



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Cyclic-Consistent Modality Translation between MRI and CT using Diffusion Models

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Education & Work



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- Wireless Networks (Advisor: Sunghyun Choi)

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- Large-Scale Optimization, Medical Image Reconstruction
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M.S. in Statistics (2011. 3 ~ 2013. 1)

- Statistical Learning, Compressed Sensing



SW Solution Lab. (2014.4 ~ 2017.2)

- Vision for Autonomous Driving / Neural Processing Unit



Center for Bionics (2017. 3 ~ 2023.8)

- AI for Medical Image Processing and Diagnosis

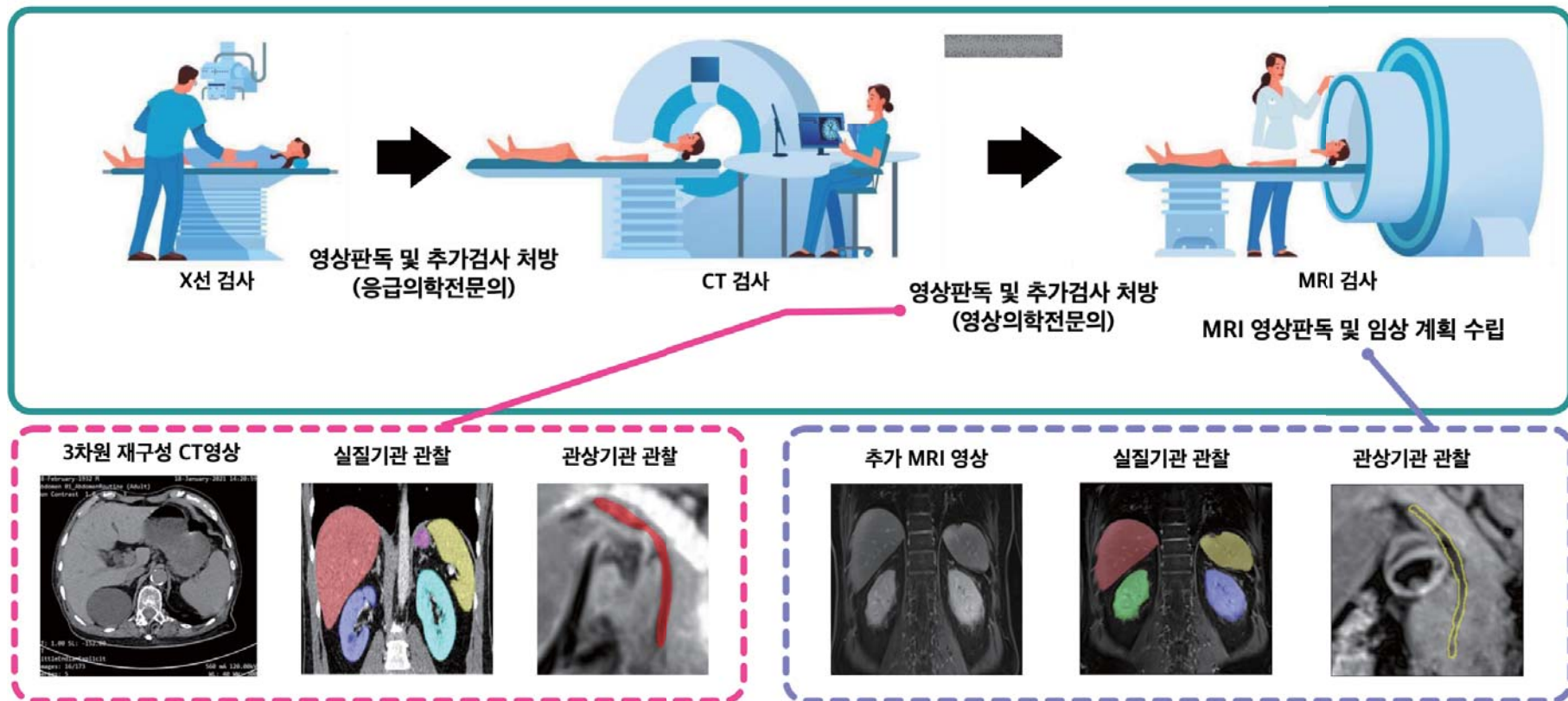


Department of Applied Artificial Intelligence (2023. 9 ~ Present)

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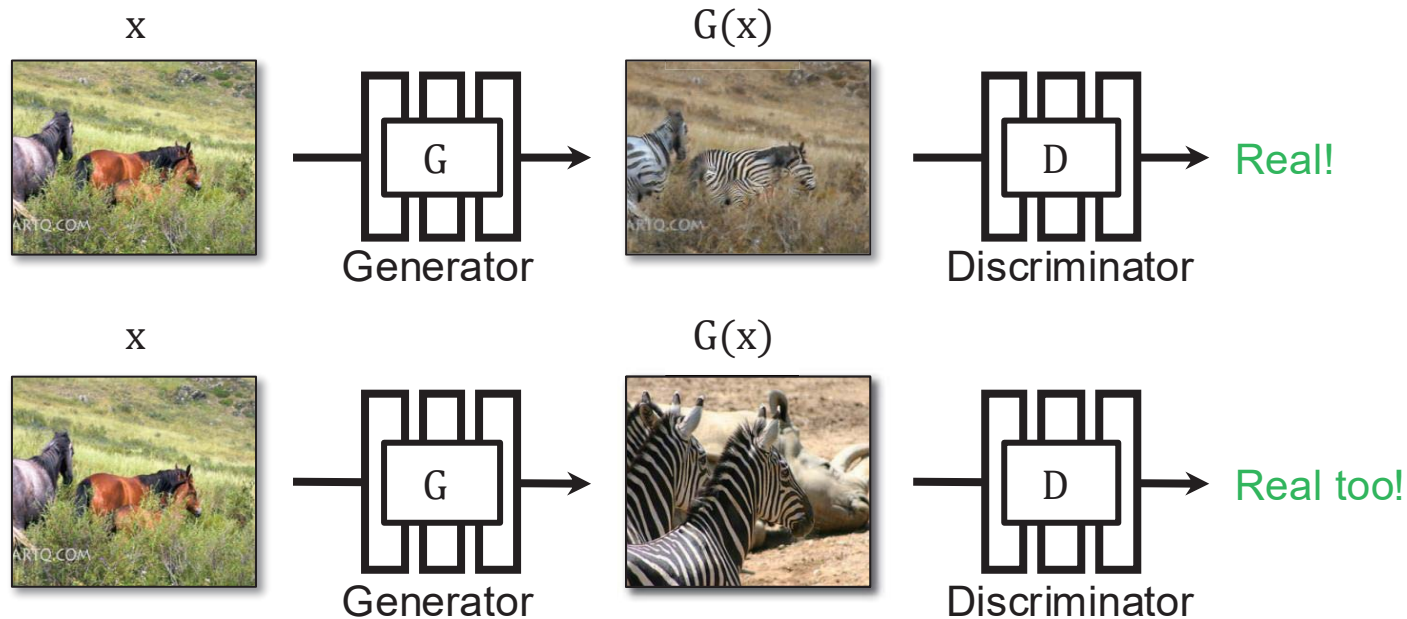
Demand on Modality Translation in ER

응급실 내원 복부통증 환자 의료영상검사 예시



CT영상판독/MR검사의 긴급성/CT-MRI영상간 비정합 문제 발생

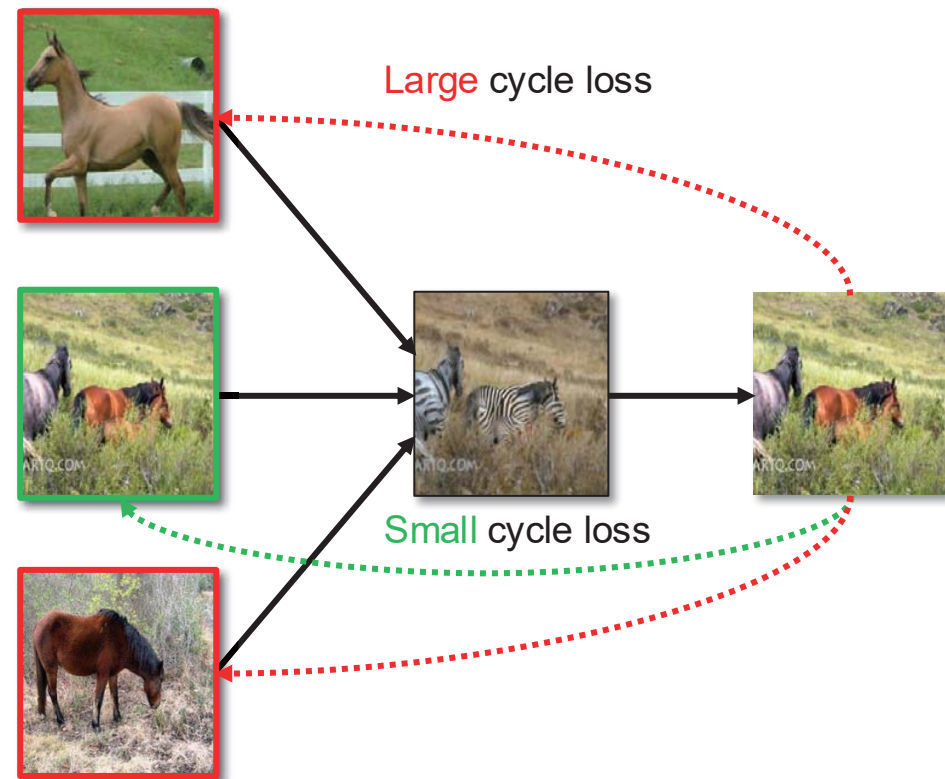
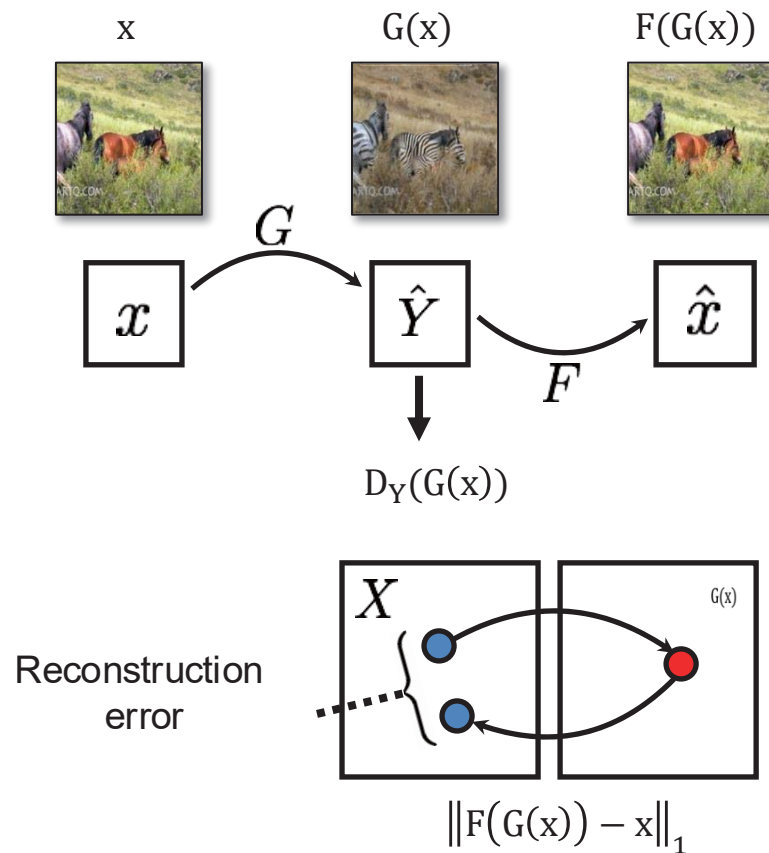
Background: GAN with Unpaired Data



GANs do **not** force output to correspond to input!

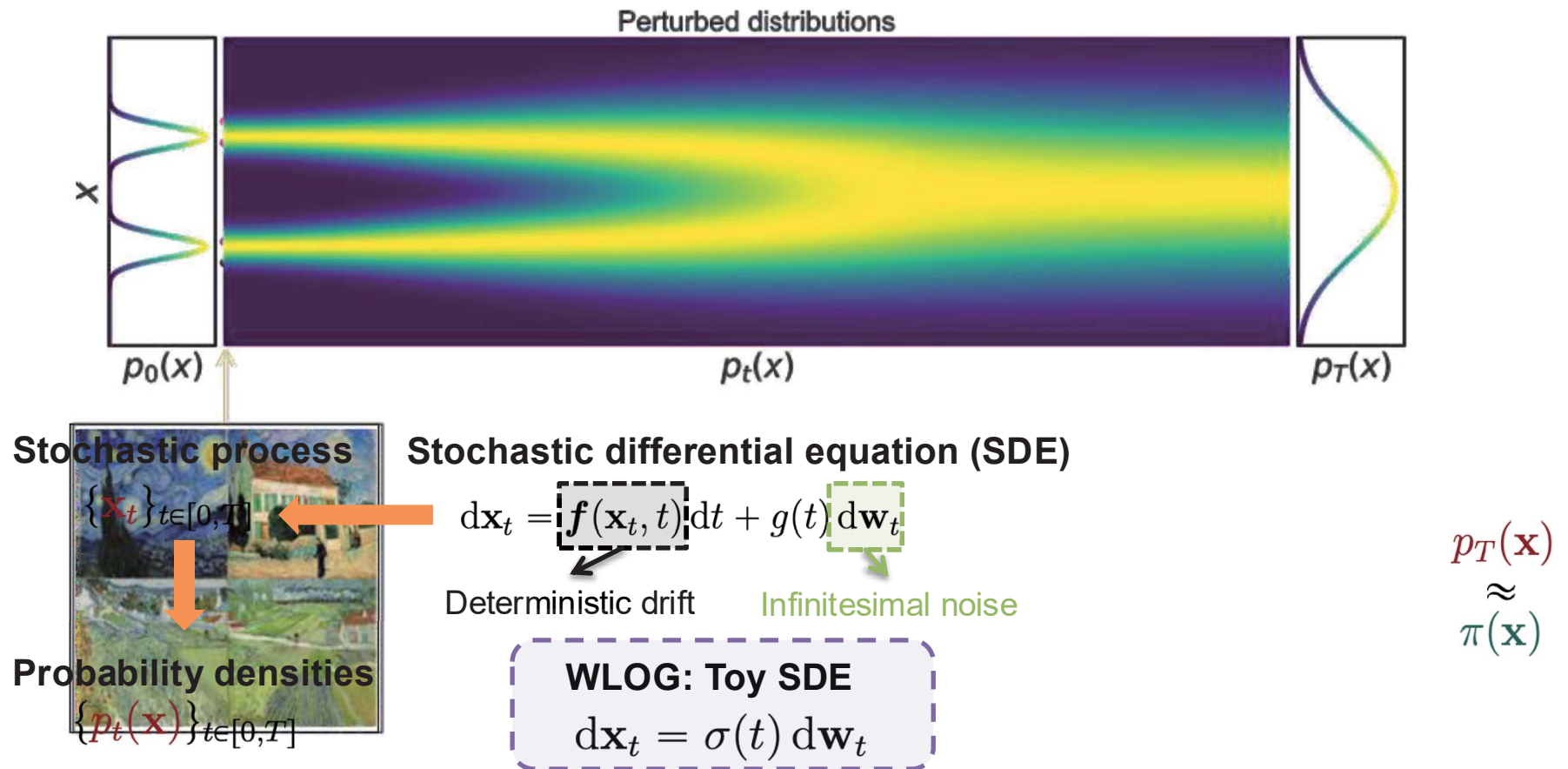
Background: CycleGAN

Cycle Consistency Loss



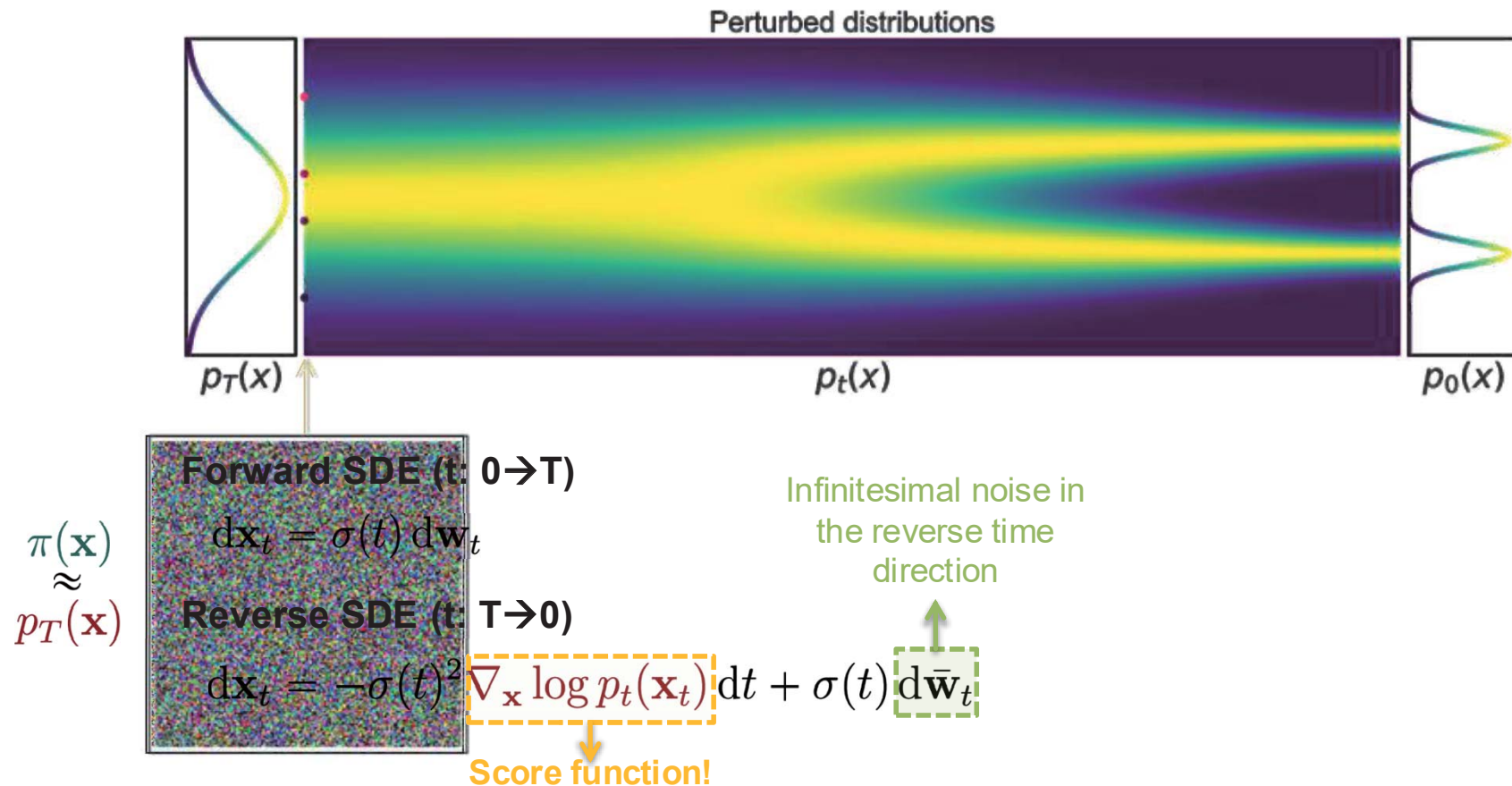
Background: Score-Based Diffusion Models

Perturbing data with stochastic processes



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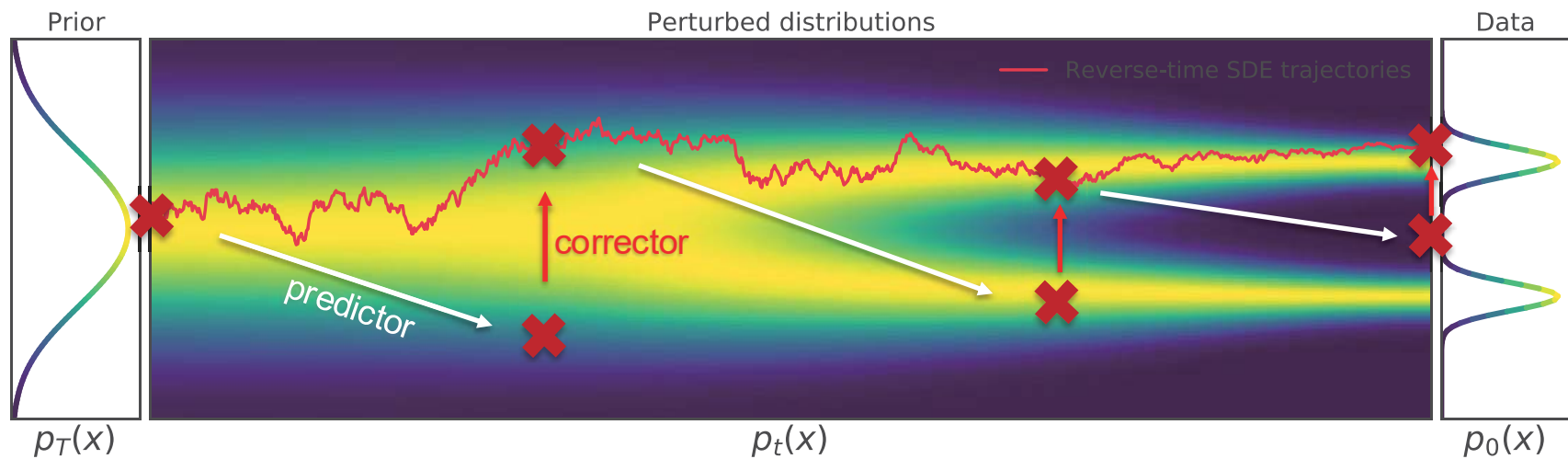
Generation via reverse stochastic processes



Background: Score-Based Diffusion Models

Predictor-Corrector sampling methods

- Predictor-Corrector sampling.
 - **Predictor:** Numerical SDE solver
 - **Corrector:** Score-based MCMC



Background: Score-Based Diffusion Models

Score-based generative modeling via SDEs

- Time-dependent score-based model

- Training: $\mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x}, t) \approx \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x})$

$$\mathbb{E}_{t \in \mathcal{U}(0, T)} [\lambda(t) \mathbb{E}_{p_t(\mathbf{x})} [\|\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \log p_t(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x}, t)\|_2^2]]$$

- Reverse-time SDE

$$d\mathbf{x} = -\sigma^2(t) \mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x}, t) dt + \sigma(t) d\bar{\mathbf{w}}$$

- Euler-Maruyama (analogous to Euler for ODEs)

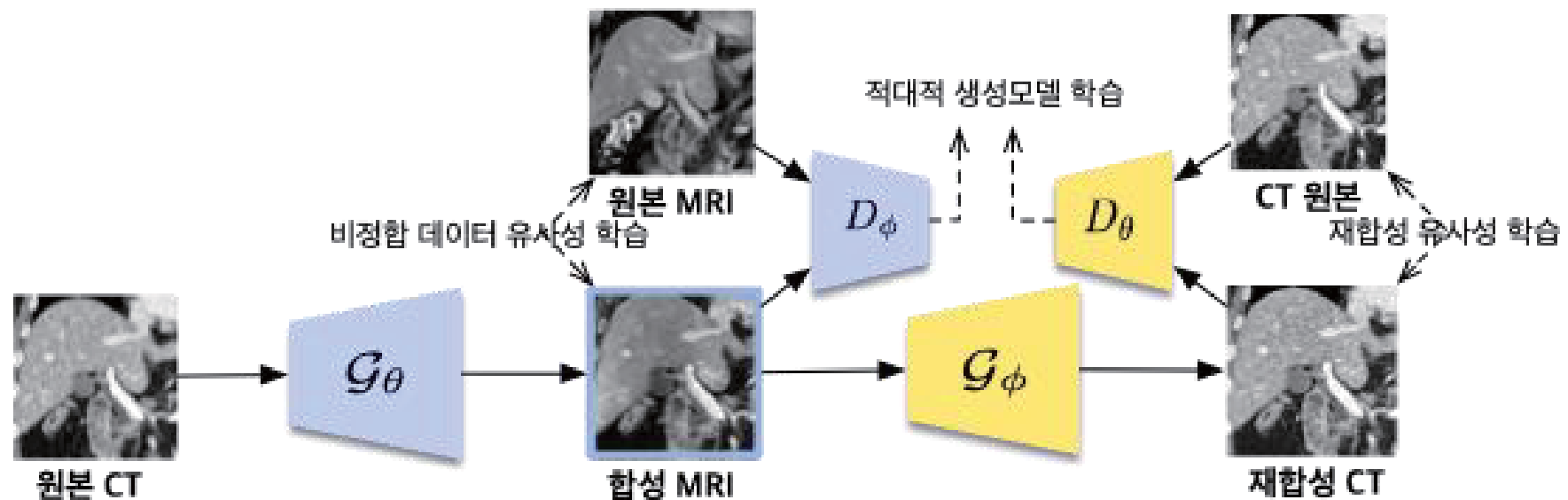
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x} &\leftarrow \mathbf{x} - \sigma(t)^2 \mathbf{s}_\theta(\mathbf{x}, t) \Delta t + \sigma(t) \mathbf{z} \quad (\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, |\Delta t| \mathbf{I})) \\ t &\leftarrow t + \Delta t \end{aligned}$$

Problem Specification

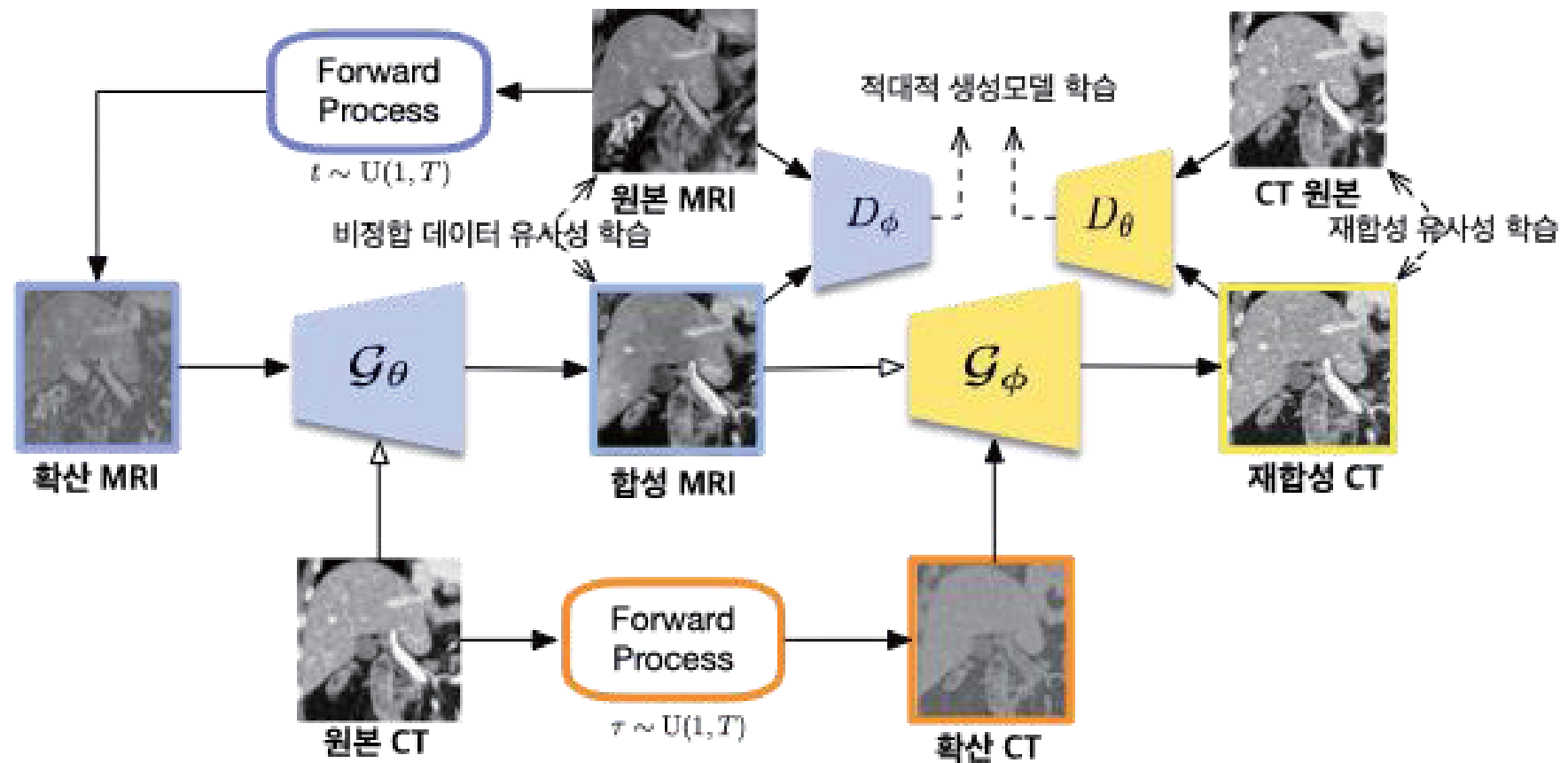
- **CT2MR Image Translation**

- Has not been actively explored compared to MR2CT
- CT is first option at ER, while MR is secondary
- **Objective:** MR-less prediction of invisible anatomy (e.g. tubular organs)
- **Constraints:** no change in visible anatomy (e.g. solid organs)
- Collaboration with **Korea University Medical Center**

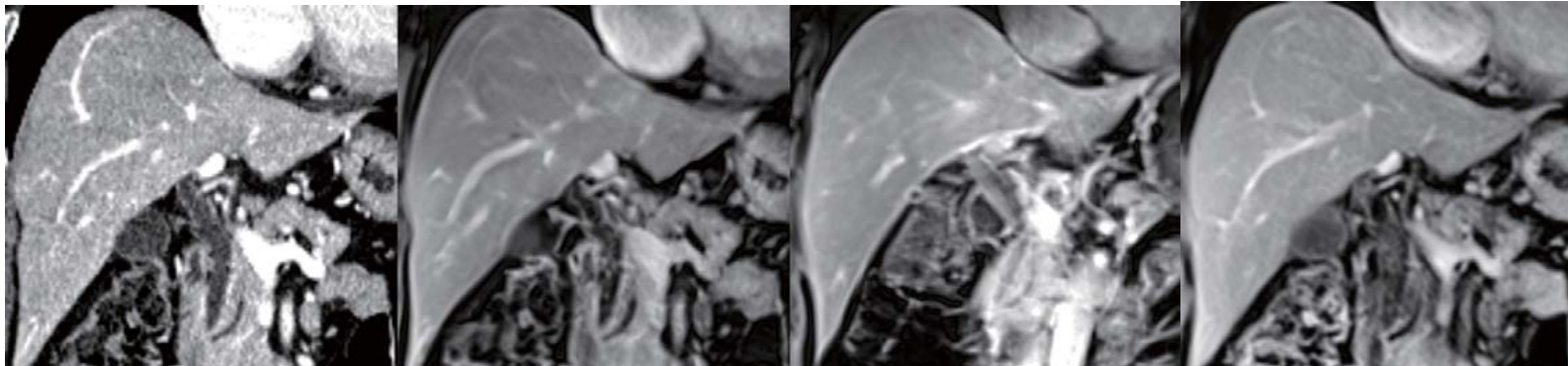
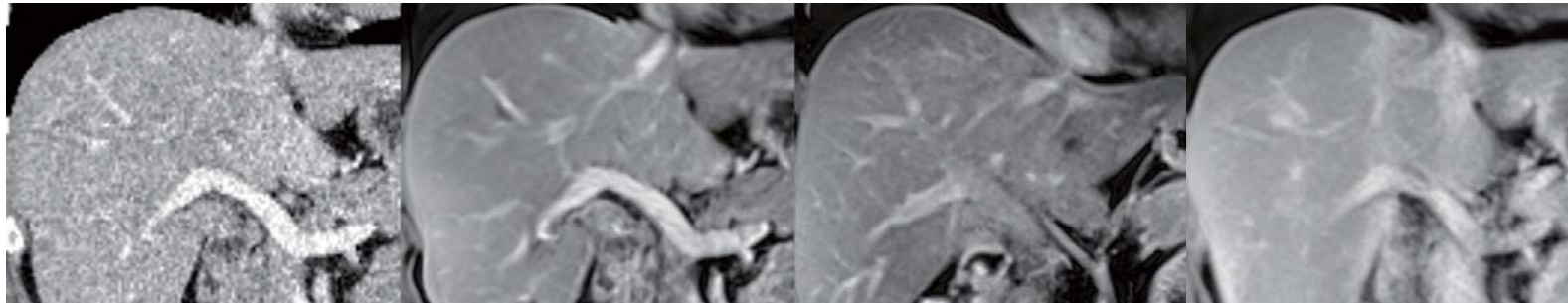
CycleGAN for CT-MRI Translation



Cyclic Diffusion Model for CT-MRI Translation



Cyclic Diffusion Model for CT-MRI Translation



CT

**Synthetic MR
(ours)**

**Real MR
(not matched)**

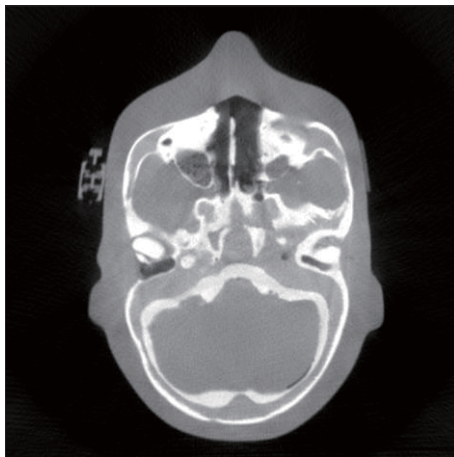
**SOTA
(SynDiff)**

Previous Research: Sparse-View CT

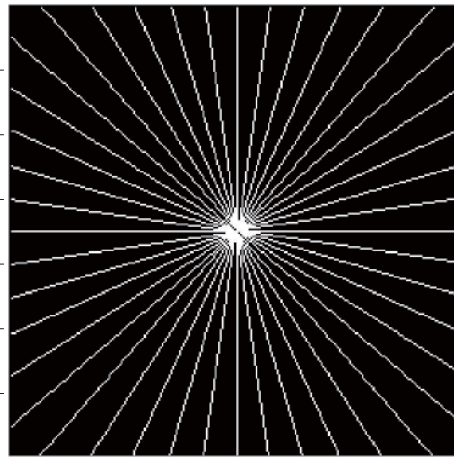
“Compressed sensing based CBCT reconstruction with a first-order method”
Medical Physics 2010

- Undersampled measurements
 - Fundamental theorem of algebra and Nyquist theorem: original signal cannot be recovered w/o aliasing
- Under some conditions we can perfectly recover signal
 - Signal can be expressed with sparse representations

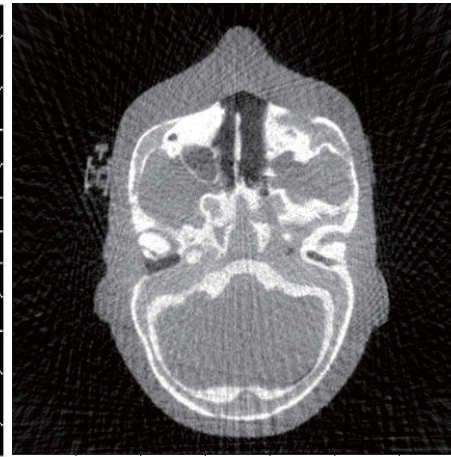
$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline b \\ \hline \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline & A \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{|c|} \hline x \\ \hline \end{array}$$
$$\min \|x\|_{TV} := \sum_{t_1, t_2} |\nabla x(t_1, t_2)|$$
$$\text{s. t. } Ax = b$$



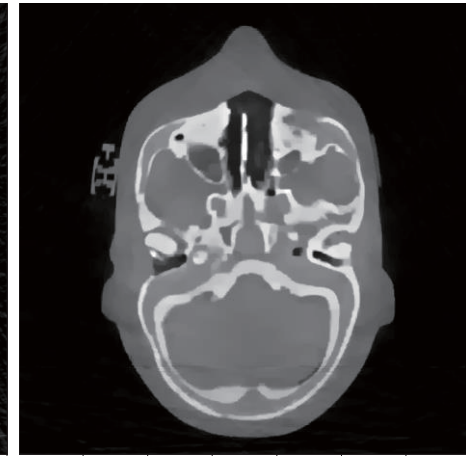
Original



Undersampled
Measurements



Conventional

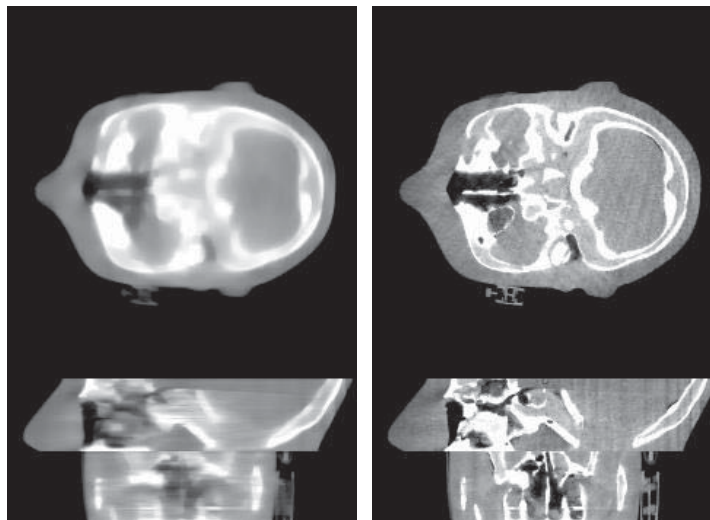


CS Reconstruction

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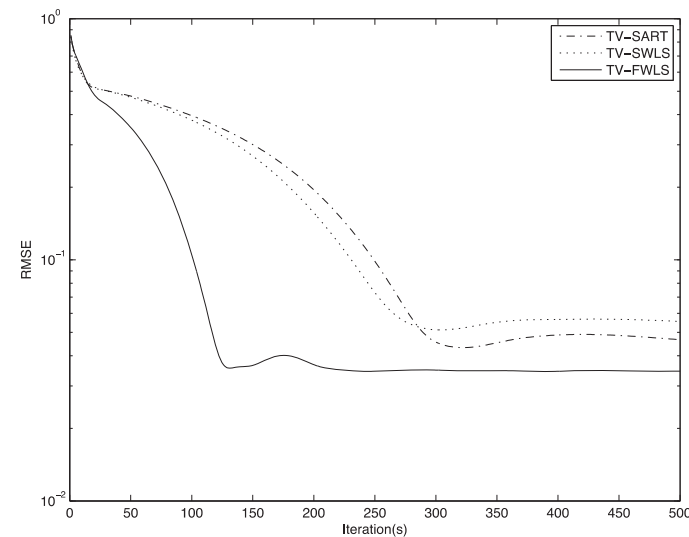
“A Fourier-based compressed sensing technique for accelerated CT image reconstruction” *Physics in Medicine & Biology* 2014

- Fast and Accurate Compressed Sensing for CT Imaging
 - Optimization solver becomes slow and inefficient when Hessian matrix is ill-conditioned: $\lambda_{\max}(A^T A) \gg \lambda_{\min}(A^T A)$
 - Approach: Fourier-domain preconditioning inspired by conventional FBP:
$$\tilde{A} := H^{1/2} F W A \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_{\max}(\tilde{A}^T \tilde{A}) \approx \lambda_{\min}(\tilde{A}^T \tilde{A})$$



Naïve CS

Ours

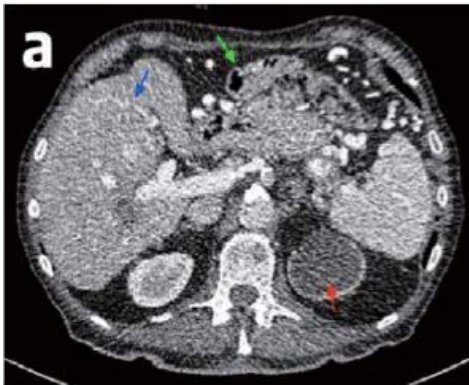


Convergence Rate

Previous Research: Self-Supervised Denoising

“Self-supervised inter-and intra-slice correlation learning for low-dose CT image restoration” *Expert Systems with Applications* 2022

- Self-Supervised Image Denoising
 - Applied self-supervised learning to denoise CT images **without references**
 - Trained to recover partially blinded inputs: $\mathcal{L}_{\text{intra}}(G; X) = \sum_{J \in J} \mathbb{E}_{X_{J^c}} \mathbb{E}_{X_J | X_{J^c}} \|g(\mathbf{x}_{J^c}) - \mathbf{x}_J\|_{\ell_2}$
 - Similarity between denoised images and thicker slices: $\mathcal{L}_{\text{inter}}(G; X) = \sum_{J \in J} \mathbb{E}_X \|[G(f_J(\mathbf{x}))]_J - \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_J\|_{\ell_1}$
 - Two-stage training strategy: offline pretraining and online finetuning



Noisy Input



Offline Pretrained

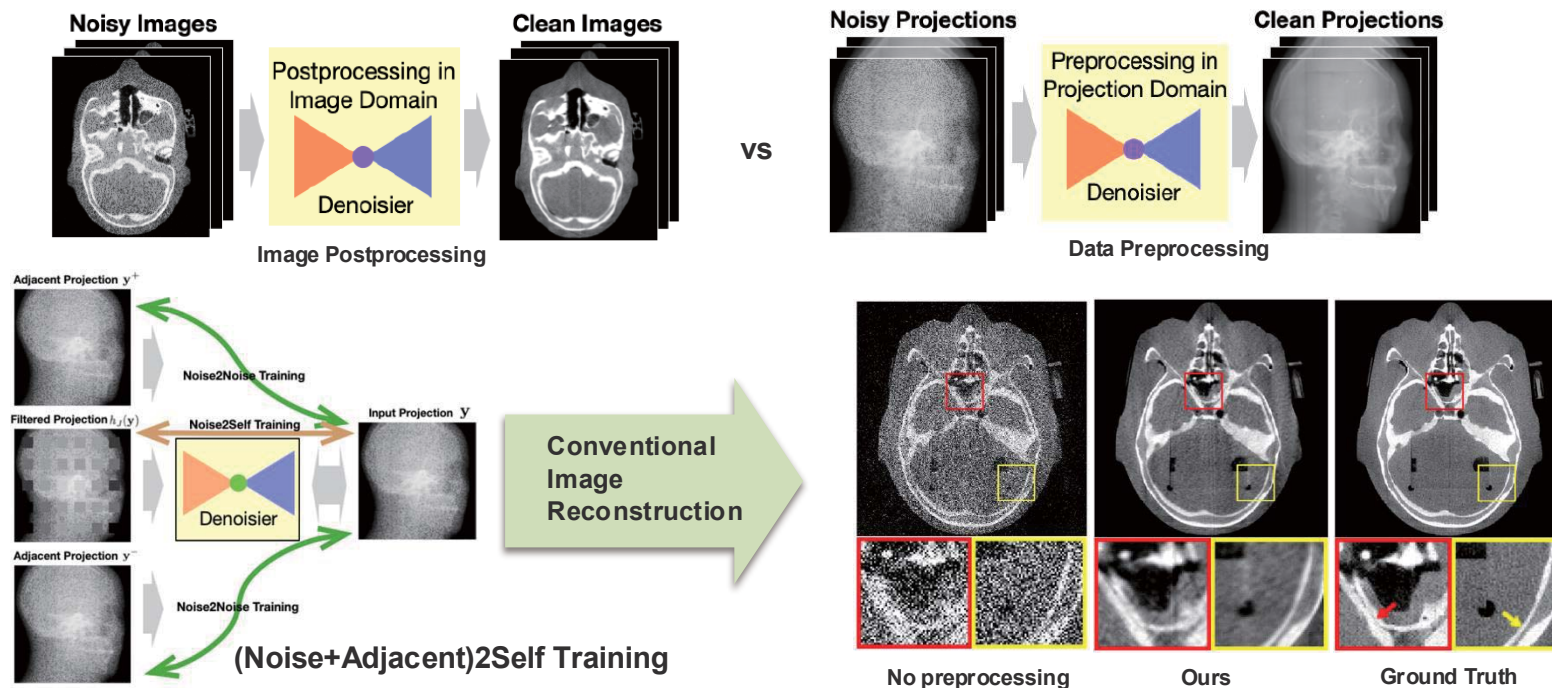


Online Finetuned

Previous : Self-Supervised Denoising

“Self-supervised denoising of projection data for low-dose cone-beam CT”
Medical Physics 2023

- Self-Supervised Projection Denoising
 - Ground-truth **not acquirable** in CBCT with flat panel detector (due to scattering)
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 - Considered both pixel-wise and view-wise statistical correlations





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Pathfinding Future BCI Systems Through Full-Stack Design Space Exploration

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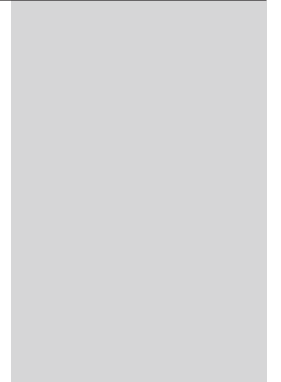
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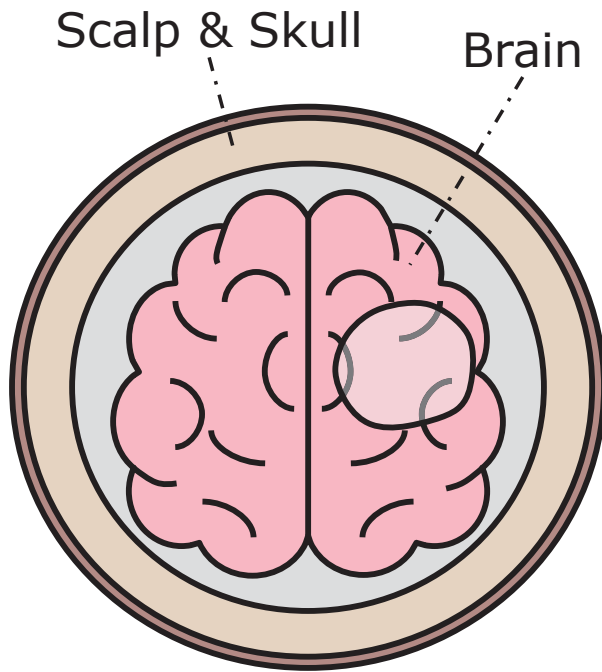
Research interests

- **In Silico Brain Modeling Processor**
 - A flexible digital circuit design [\[MICRO'19\]](#)
 - Event-driven brain simulation [\[ASPLOS'21\]](#)
 - Speculative brain simulation [\[HPCA'22\]](#)
- **AI Algorithms & Hardware Performance Evaluations**
 - SNN vs. ANN [\[Neurocomputing'21\]](#)
- **Analog-Based Process-in-Memory Architecture**
 - 3D NAND Flash-based PIM [\[MICRO'22\]](#)
- **In Vivo BCI Signal Processor**
 - Spike-driven BCI processor [\[MICRO'24\]](#)
 - Learning-enabled BCI processor [\[ISCA'25 \(To Appear\)\]](#)

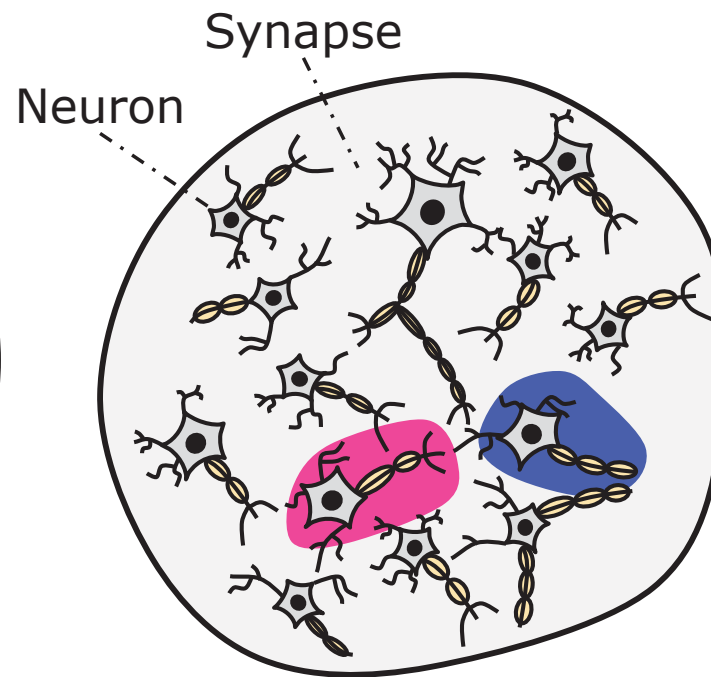


Overall structure of the brain

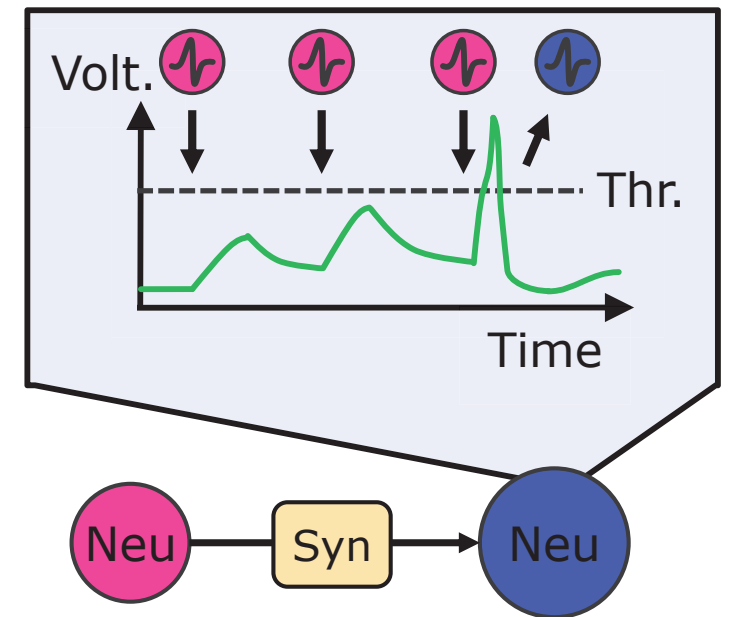
- The brain consists of a biological neural network



Human Brain Structure



Biological Neural Network



Internal Mechanism

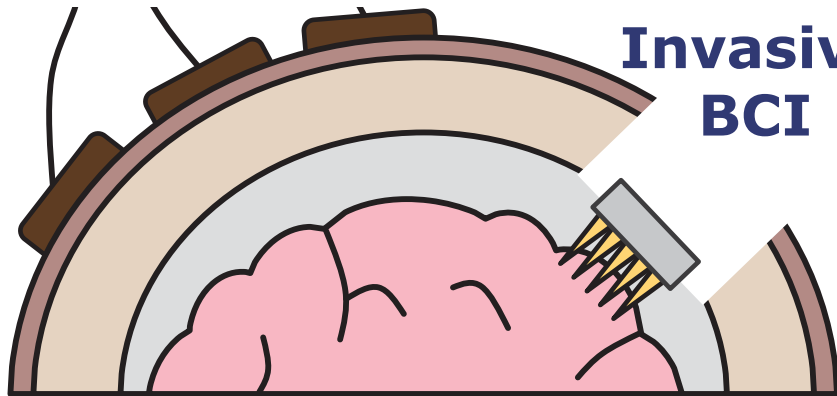
Brain-computer interfacing

- Brain-computer interfaces (BCIs) are electrophysiological devices that directly record and stimulate the neurons

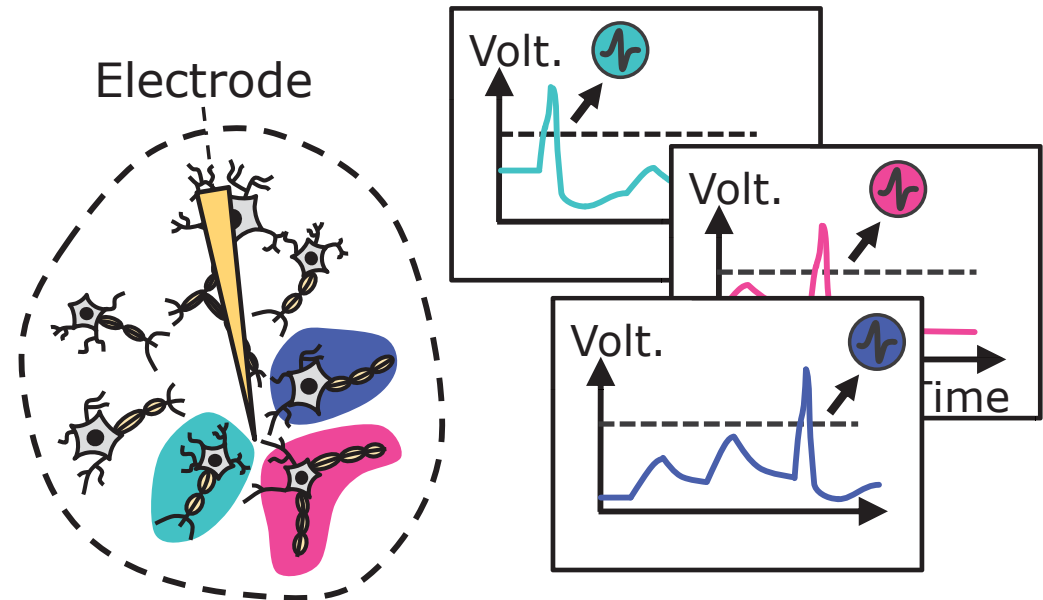
Low Resolution

**Non-Invasive
BCI**

**High Resolution
Invasive
BCI**



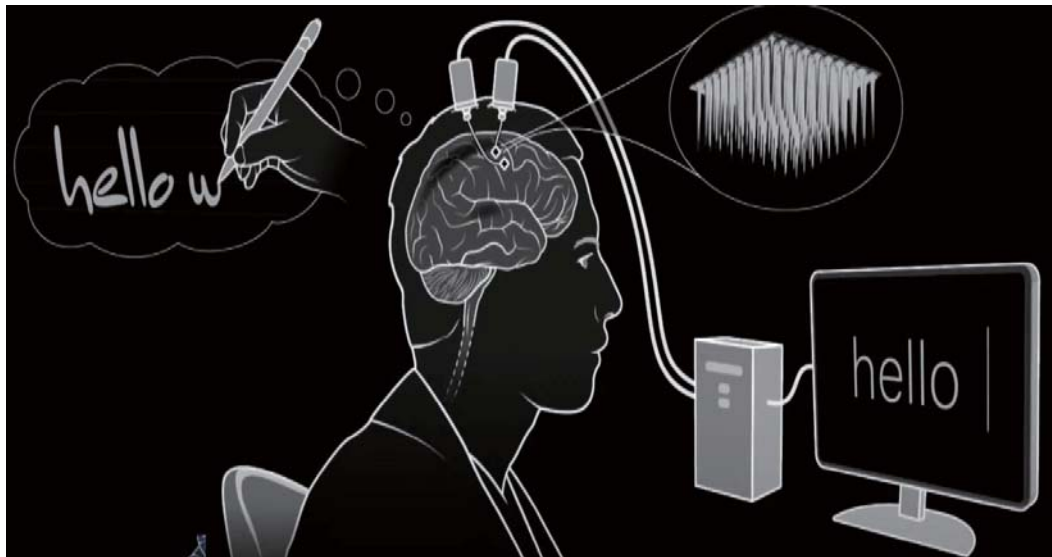
**BCI Implementation
Variants**



**Brain signals recorded
using invasive BCIs**

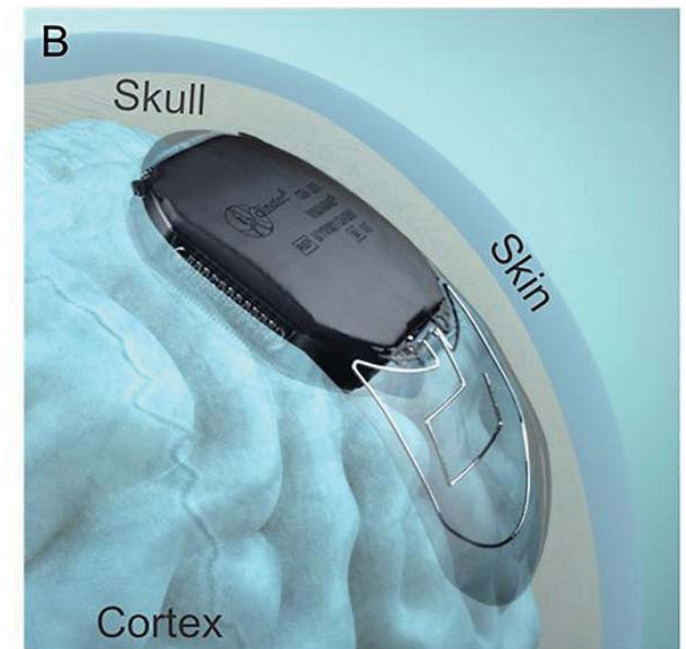
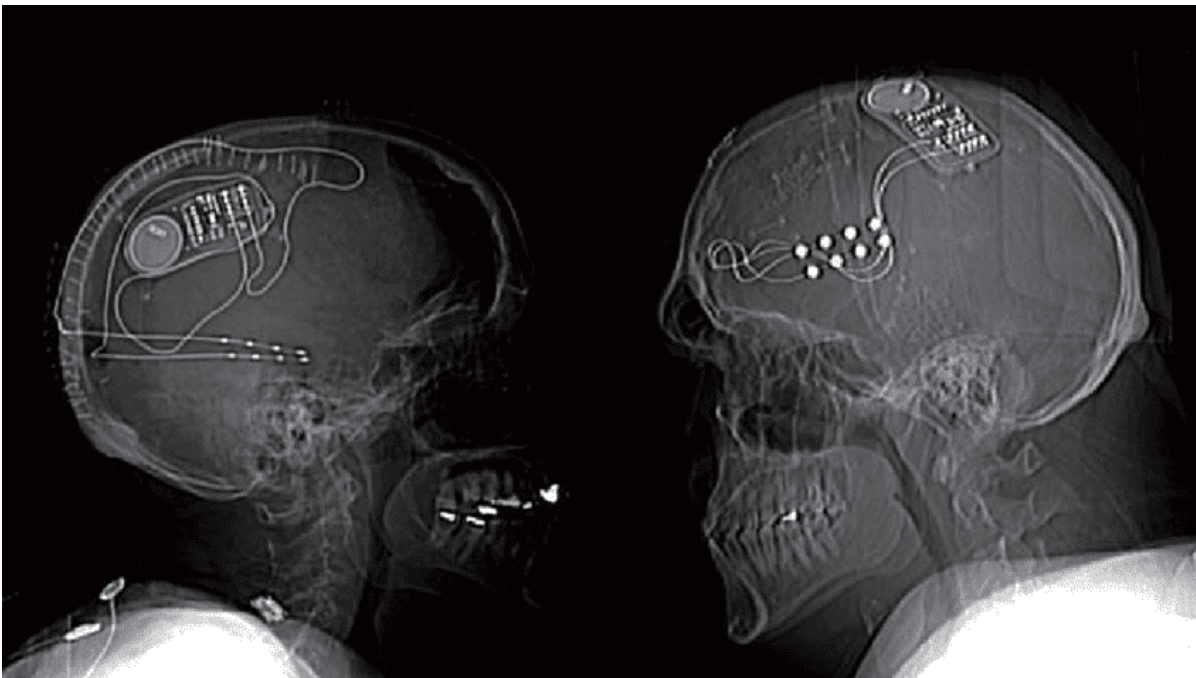
Use case #1: Neural prosthesis

- **BCI signals reveal intended body movements by decoding signals at the motor cortex**
 - Enables various applications including texting, game playing, robot arm movements



Use case #2: Seizure prevention

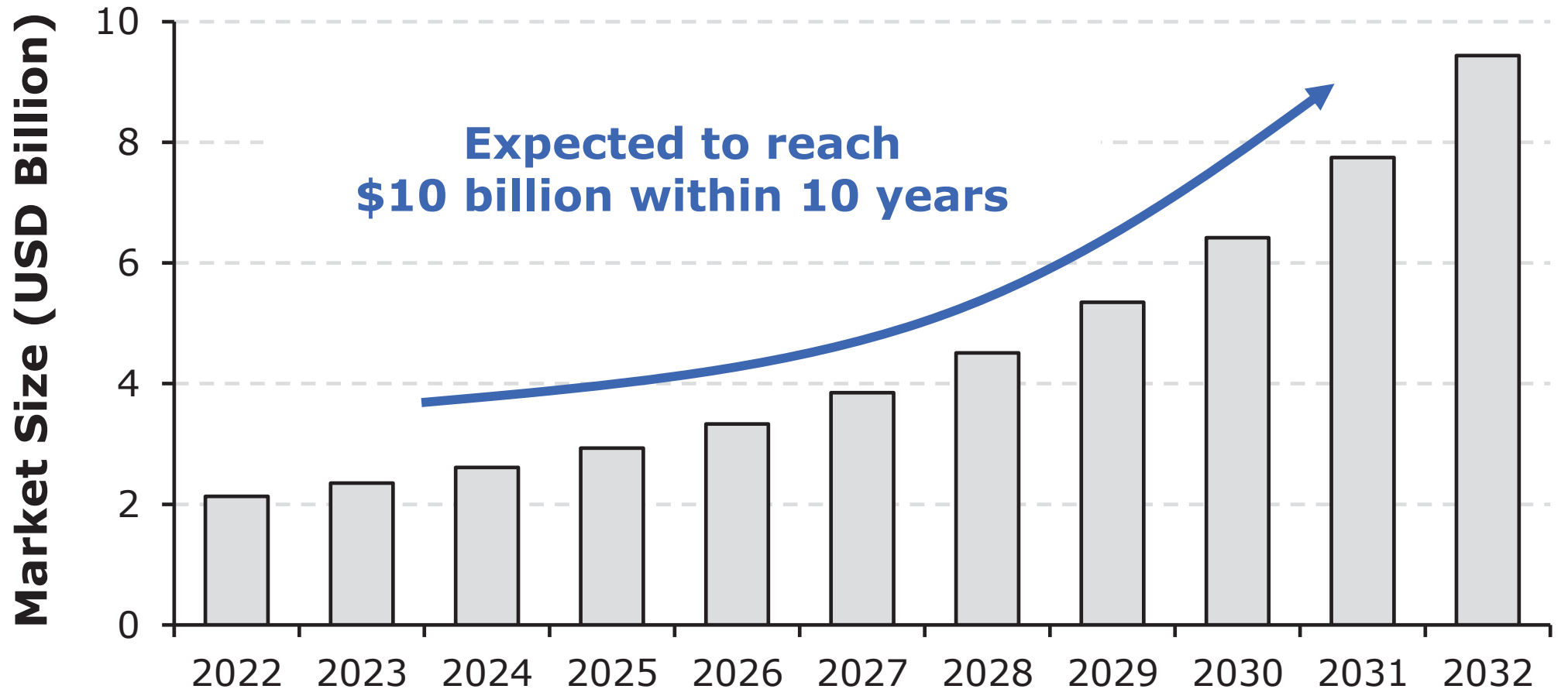
- **BCI devices help cure neurological disorders by stimulating the brain at the onset**
 - There are multiple FDA-approved medical devices (e.g., Neuropace, GBrain)



Increasing brain computer interface market size



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[source: Precedence Research]

The recent trends resolved various challenges in realizing practical BCIs

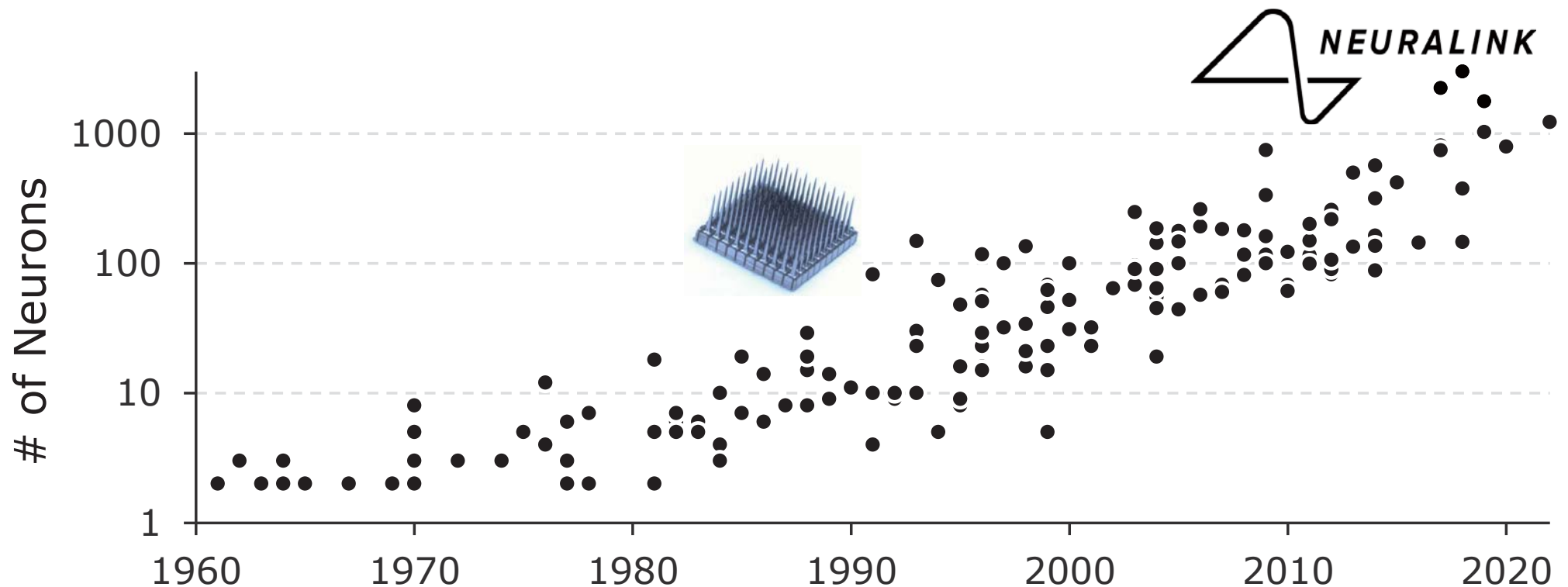
Reduced surgical risks w/ automated surgery

- Neuralink developed a **robot to implant the BCI to the human brain (FDA-approved)**
- Can be implanted with **a small burr hole in the brain**



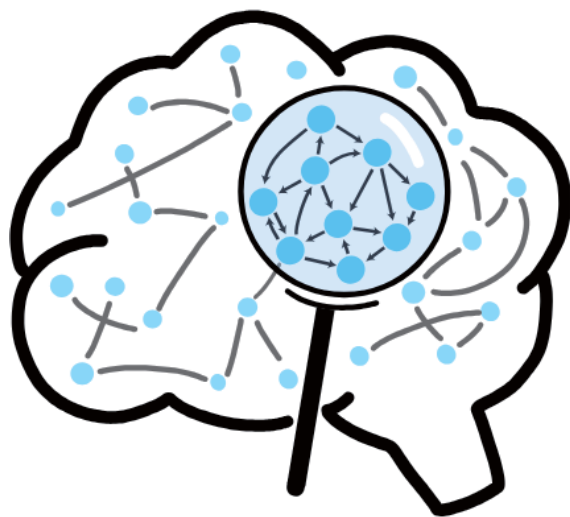
Scaling trends of the electrodes

- **The number of recorded neurons is increasing at a rapid rate**
 - The electrode scales 2x every 6 years (2x every 2 years recently)



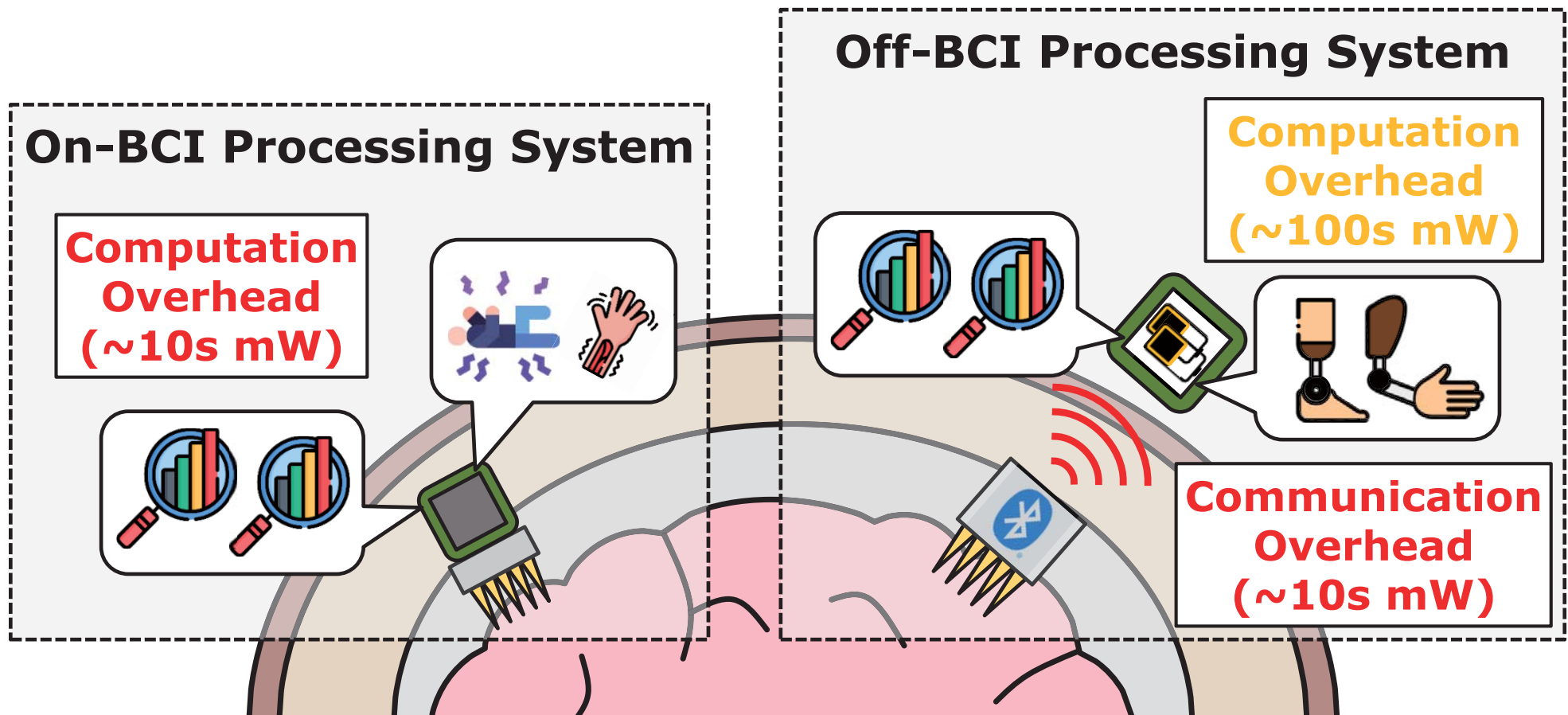
Opensource datasets

- Communities are releasing **neurophysiological datasets as an open problem**
- Neuralink are releasing **part of the monkey datasets to the research communities**



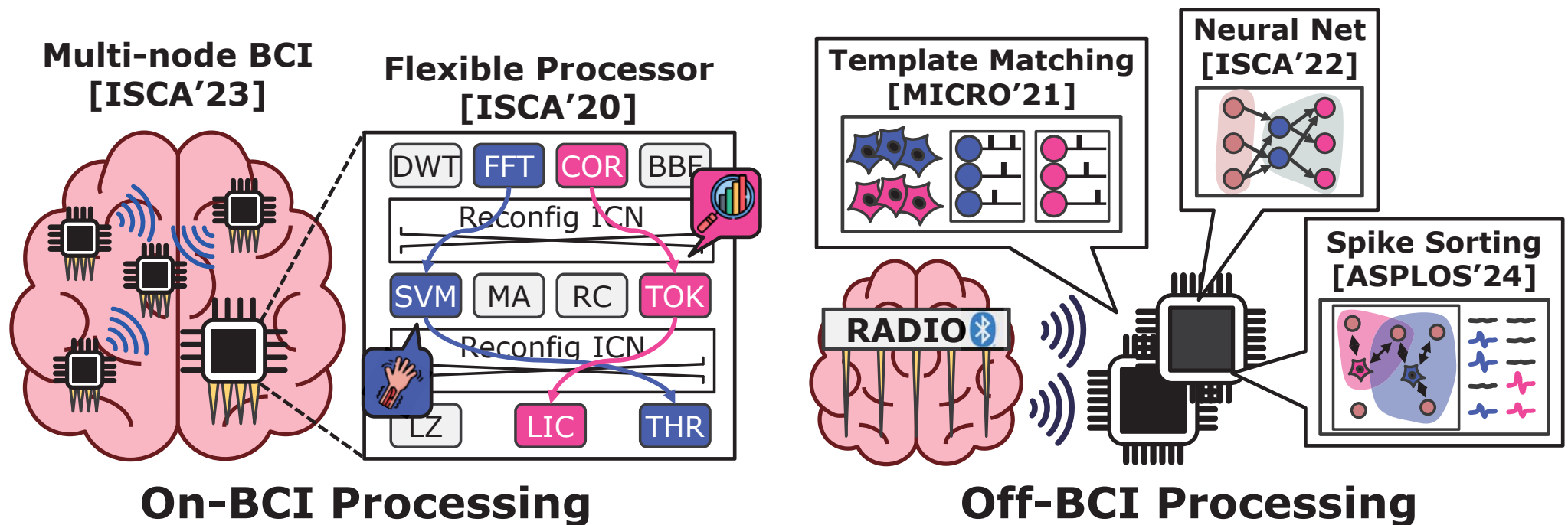
***Right time to design a processing
system for this new type of I/O***

Architectural Perspective: Processing System for Brain-Computer Interfacing



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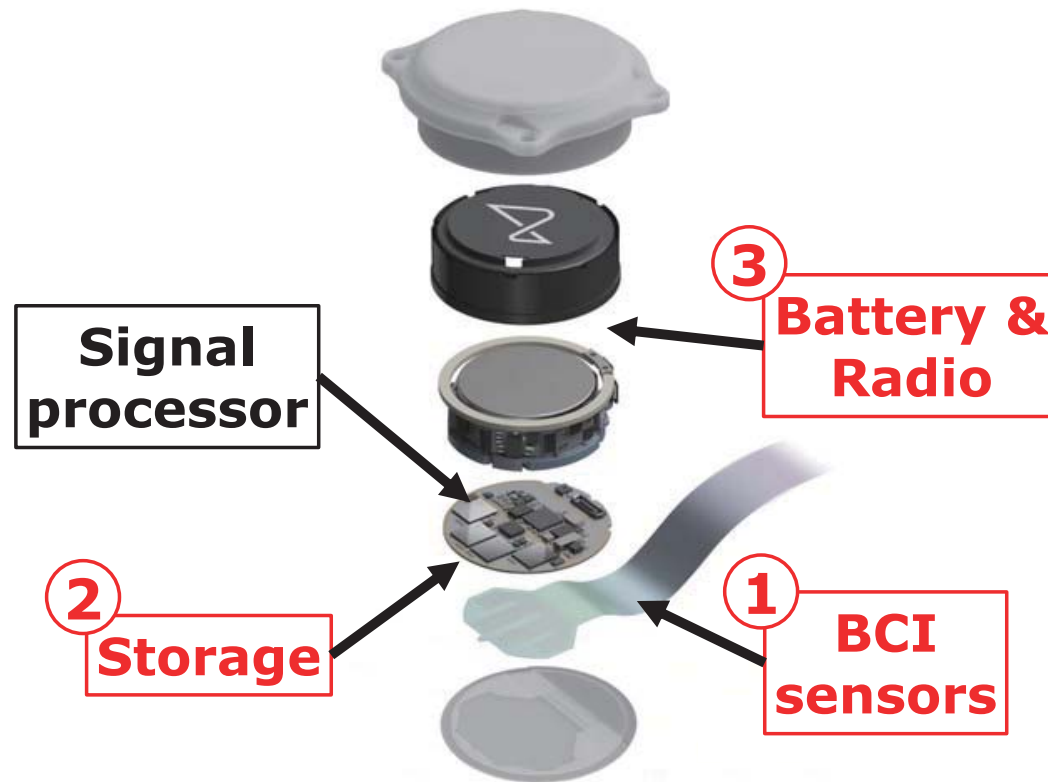
- There are a few architectural studies that focus on **designing a dedicated processor** for brain-computer interfacing



We need a full-stack design space exploration to find the best system!

Full-stack design space exploration

- We should fully explore various design points including the (1) BCI signals, (2) storage, and (3) battery & radio



Research plans

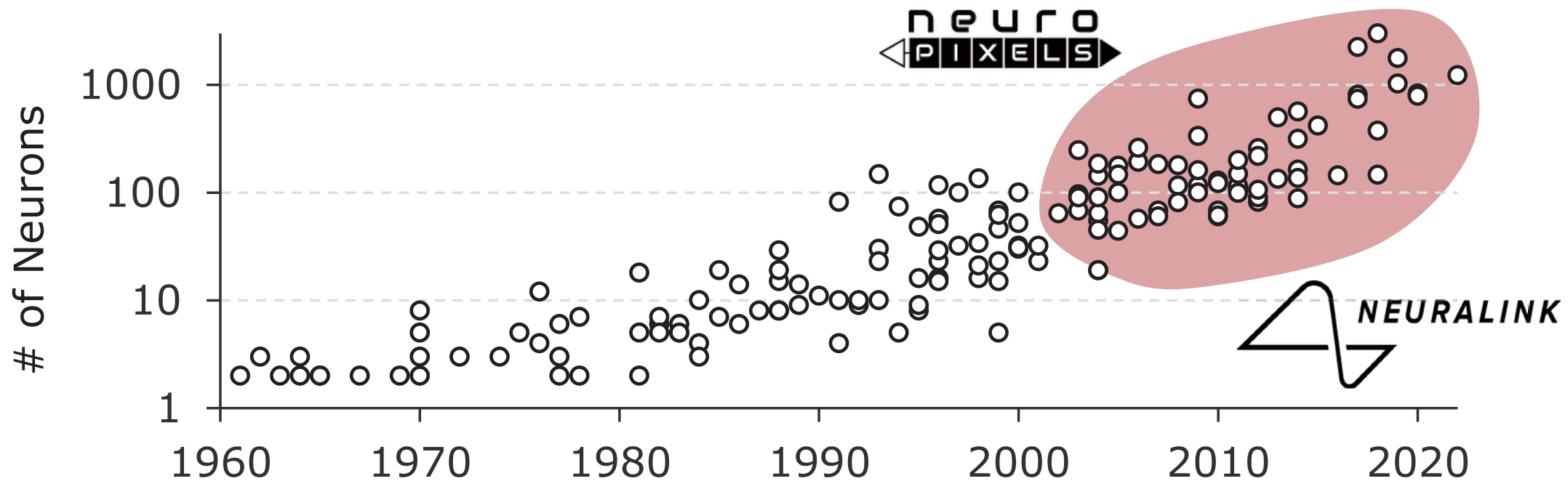
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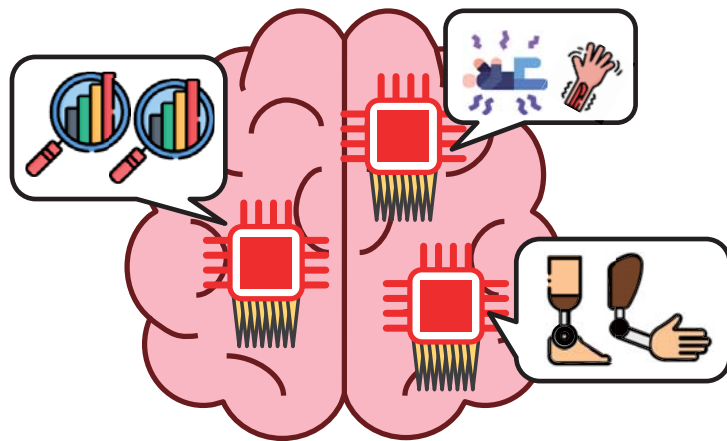
- Invasive BCIs scale up to record a larger number of neurons
 1. **High communication overhead** to transfer the BCI signals ($> \sim 10$ s mW)
 2. **High computation overhead** to process the signals



Challenge: Stevenson's scaling law

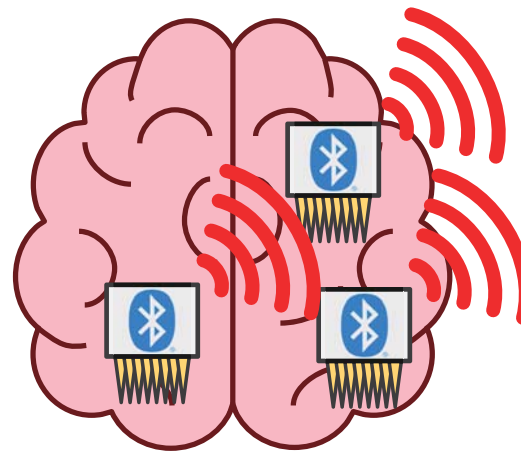
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45mW Budget



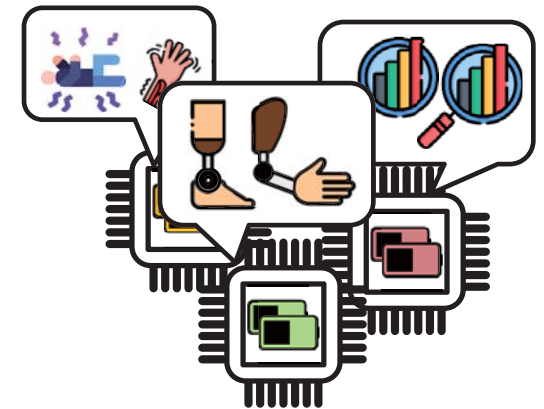
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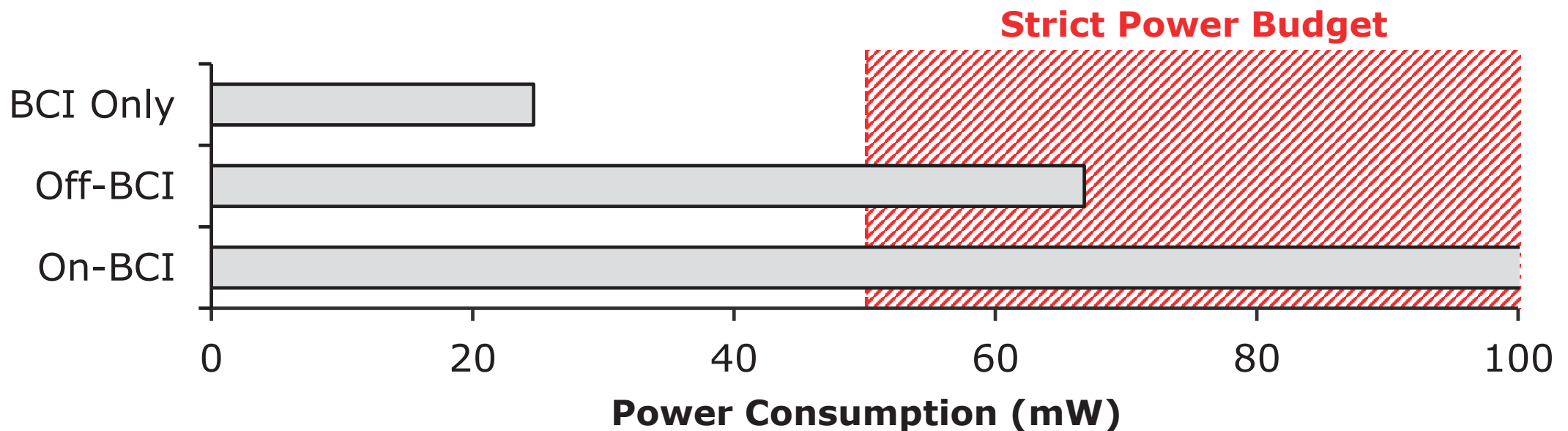
Off-BCI Processing

Battery Powered
(200mW ~ 2W Budget)



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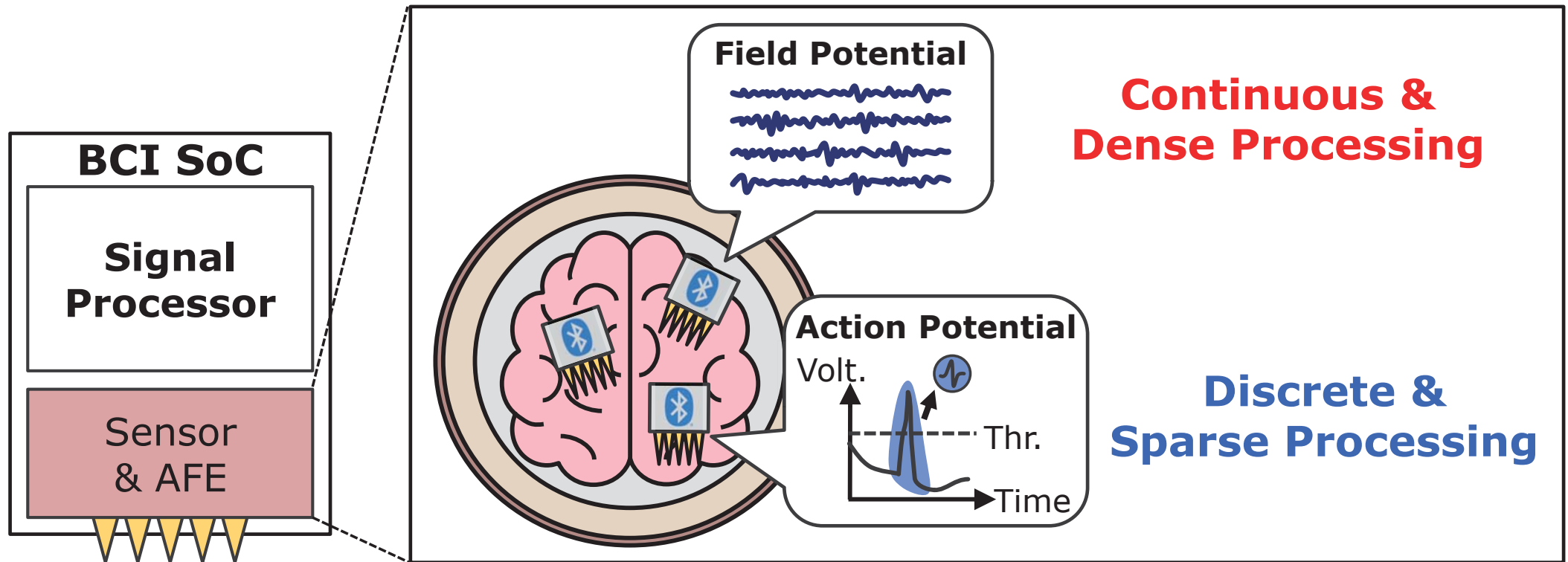
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The system should support scaled-up BCI within the power budget

Solution: Spike-driven processing system

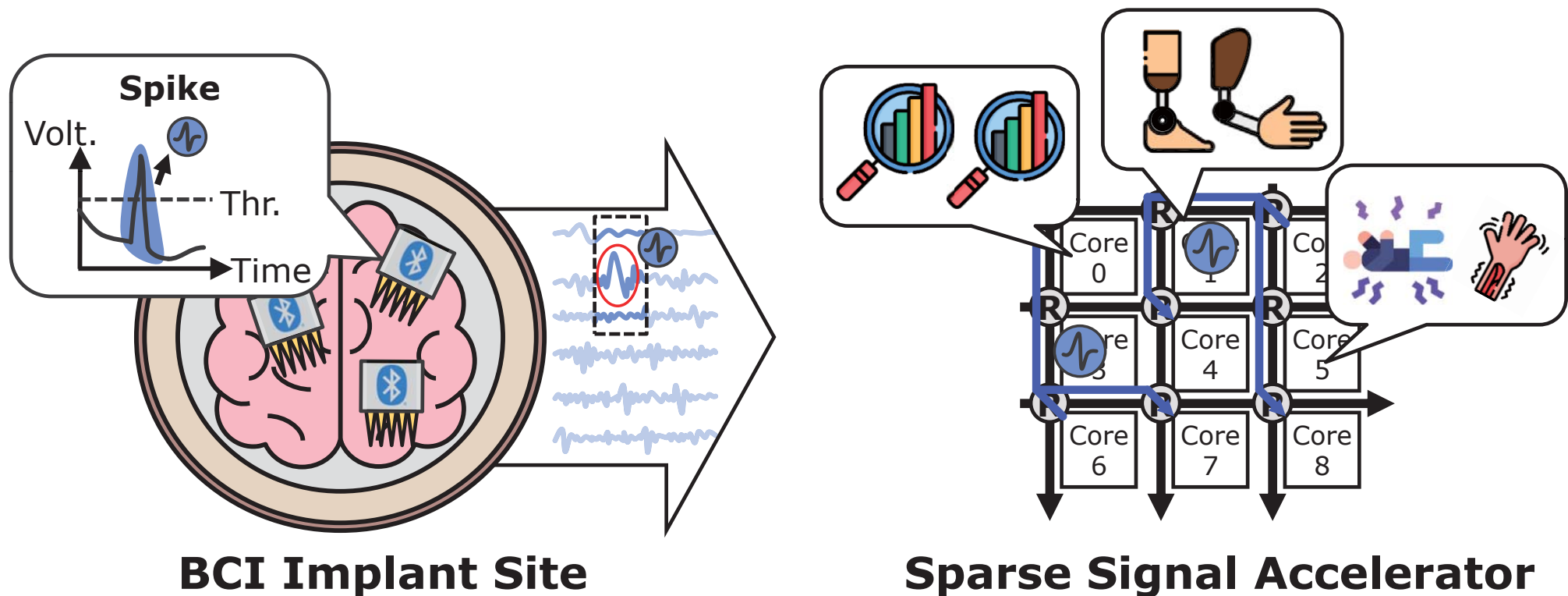
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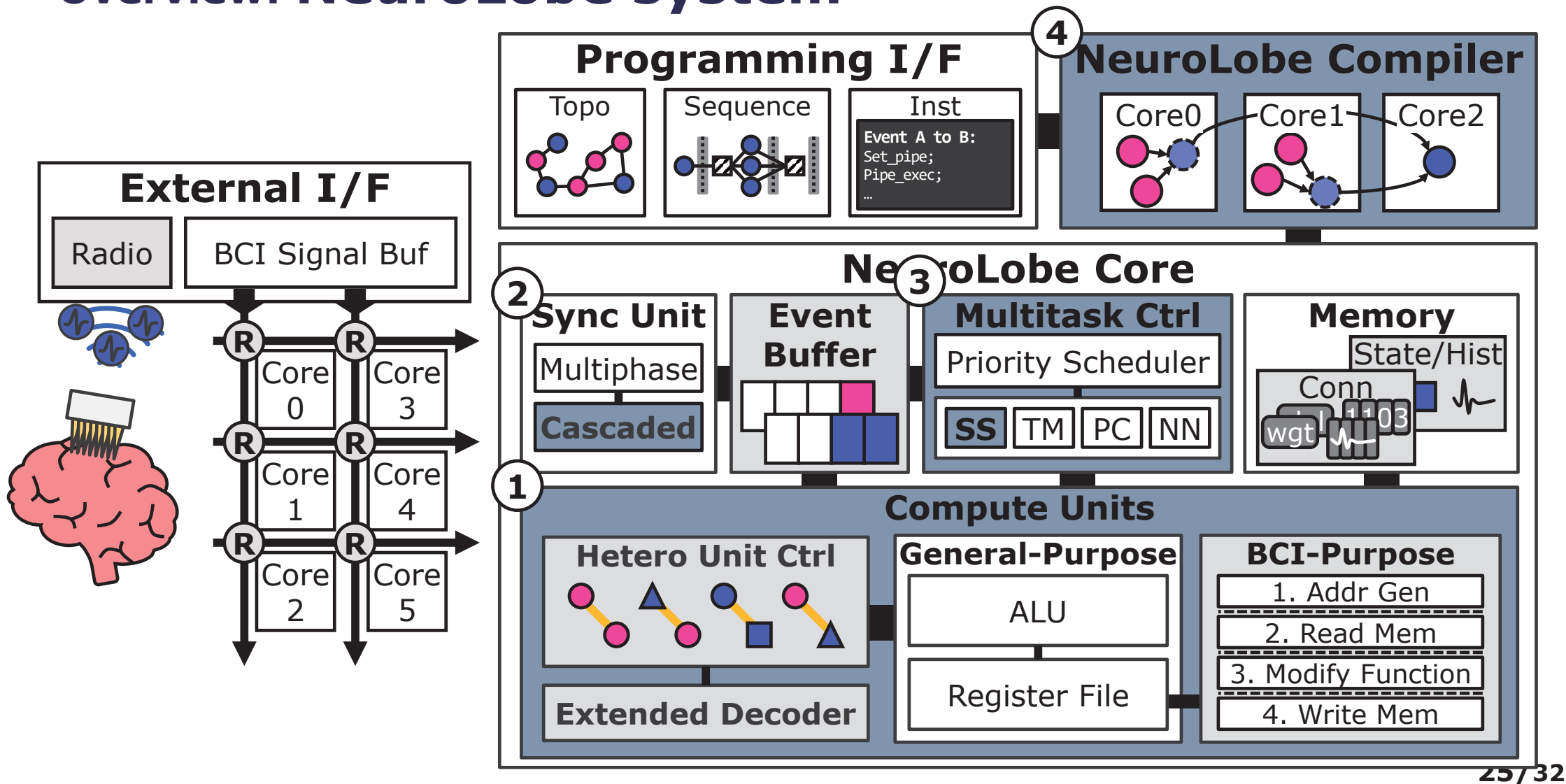
Reduce the computation & communication overhead using spikes

Solution: Spike-driven processing system

- We utilize the spiking nature of the BCI signals
 1. **Low communication overhead** by transferring only spike signals
 2. **Efficient event-driven computation** using a neuromorphic processor



Overview: NeuroLobe system

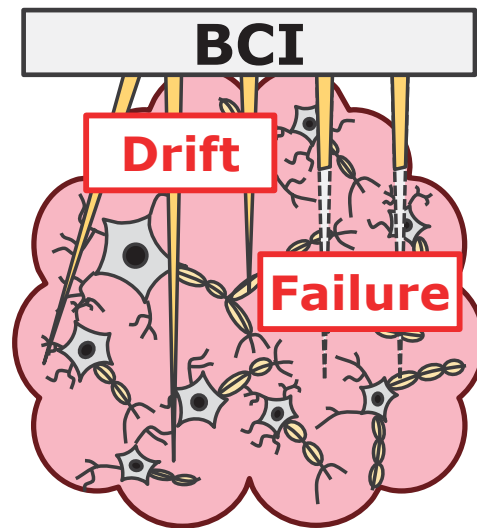


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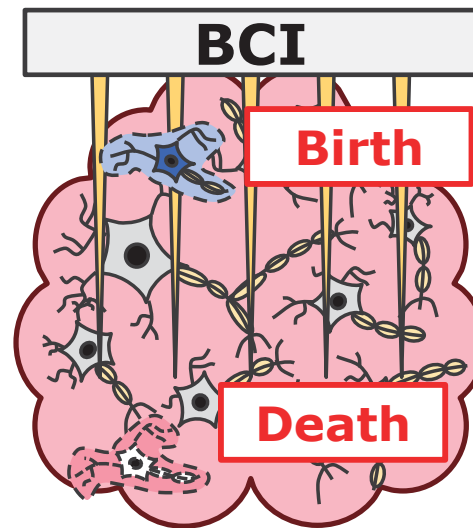
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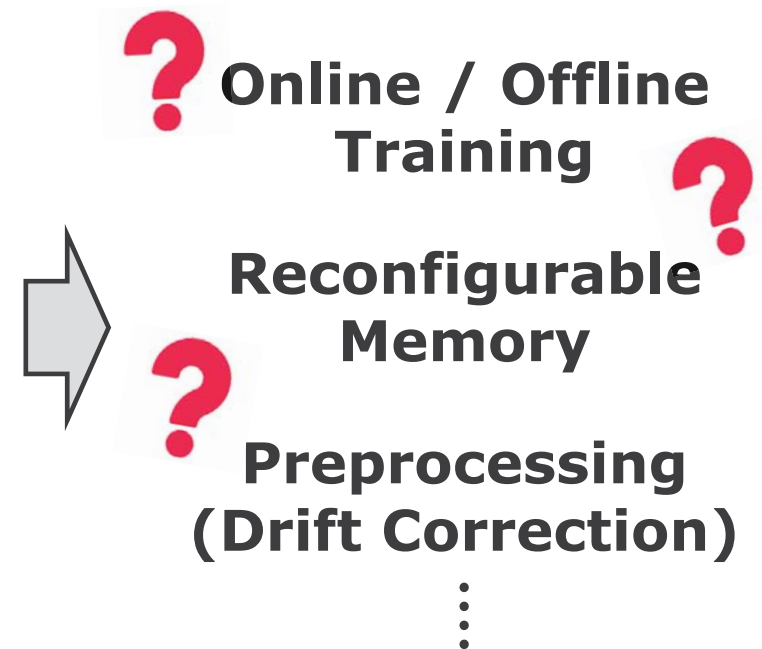
- **The BCI signals change continuously and abruptly** in practical use cases



**Electrode
Drift / Failure**



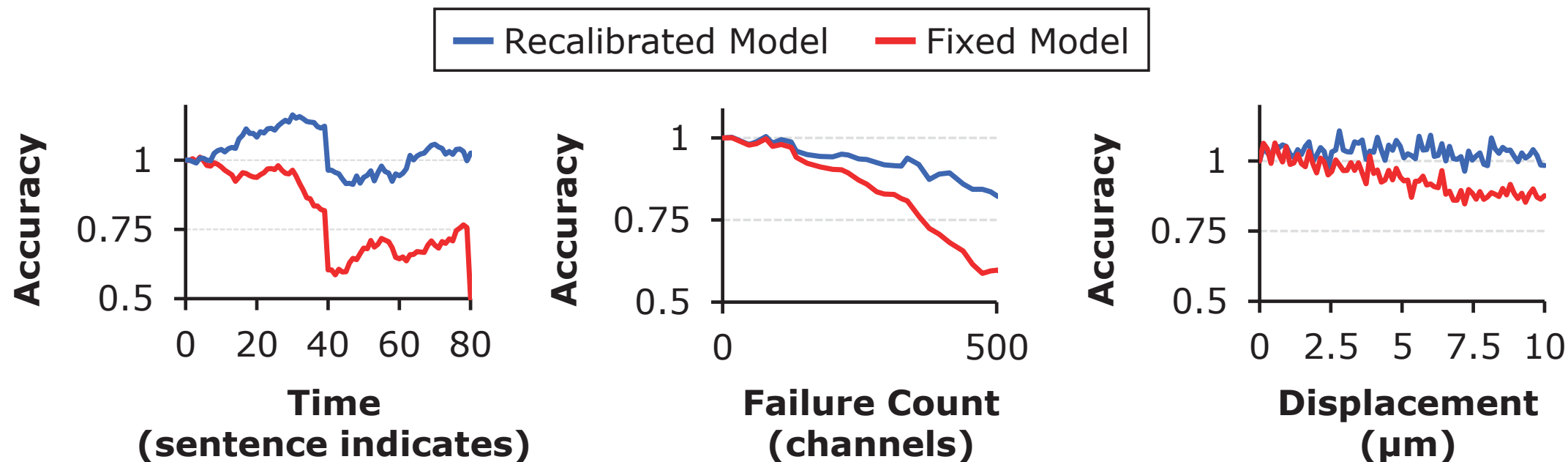
**Neural
Plasticity**



The processor should adapt to the continuously changing BCI signals

Challenge: Adaptive Processing Support

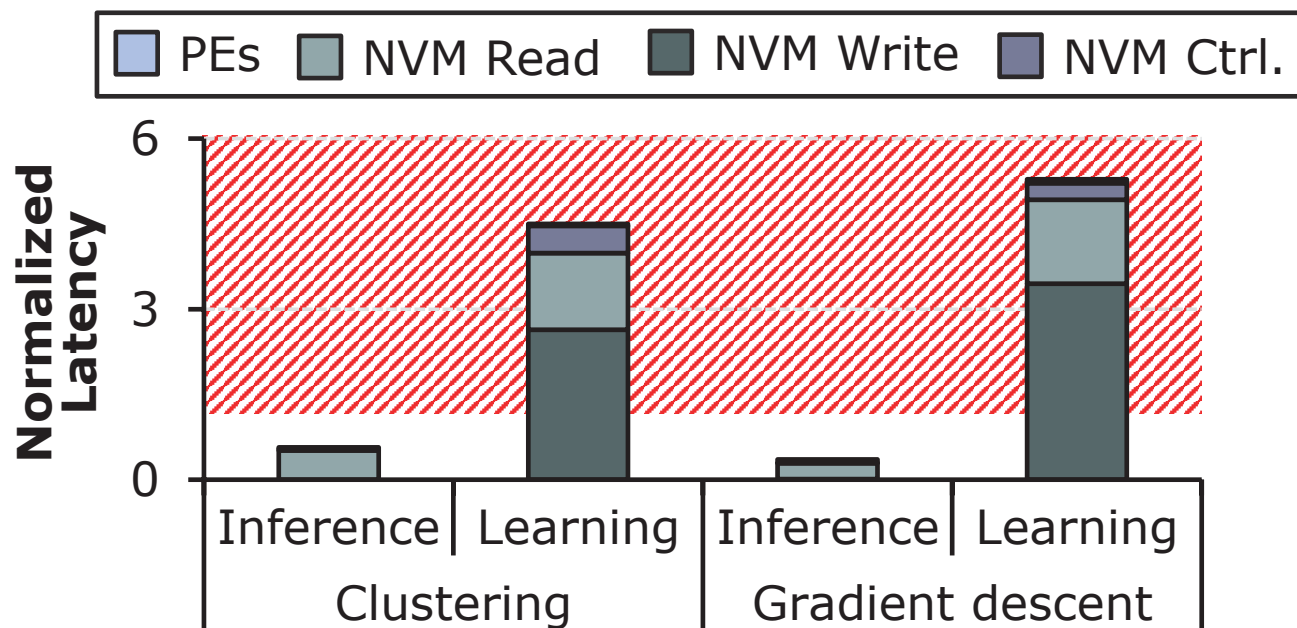
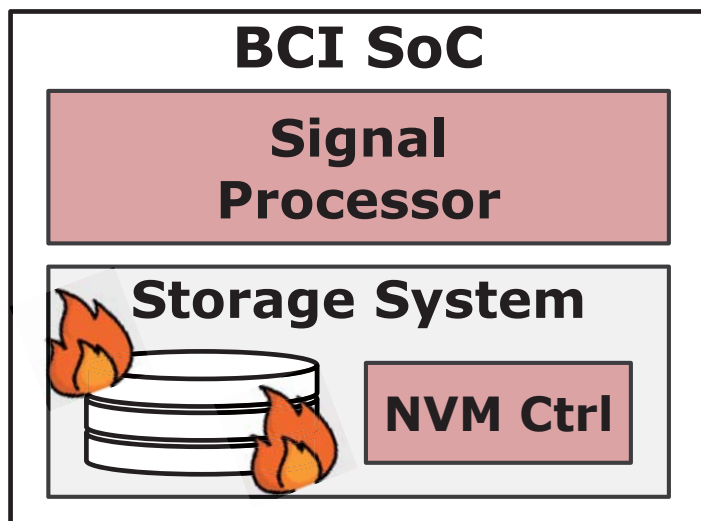
- The system should **continuously update the model parameters** to sustain sufficient accuracy over time



The system demands real-time recalibration to mitigate the accuracy drop

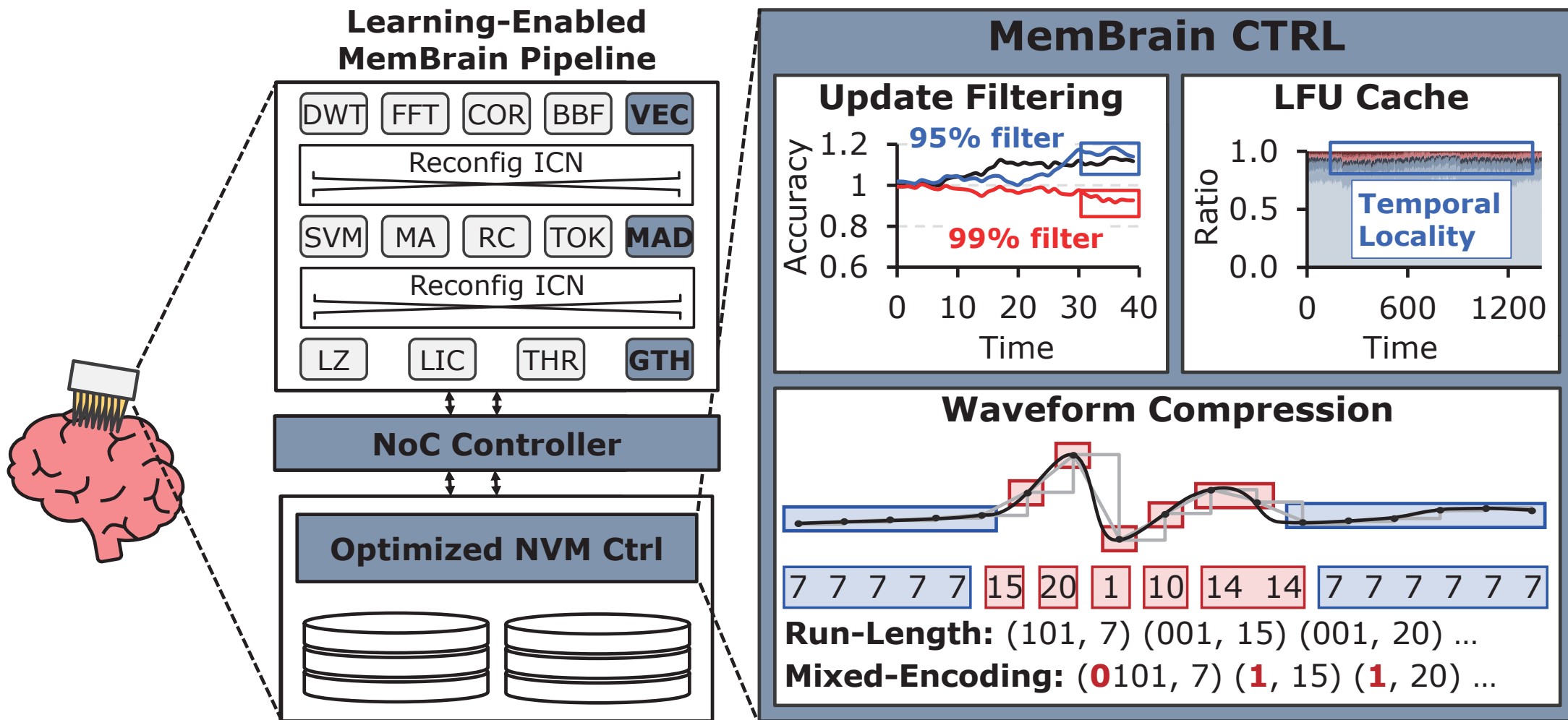
Challenge: Adaptive processing support

- Continual learning incurs **excessive write operations** to the NVM devices



The NVM Write becomes the major performance overhead

Overview: MemBrain system



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Thank You!
Any Questions?

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