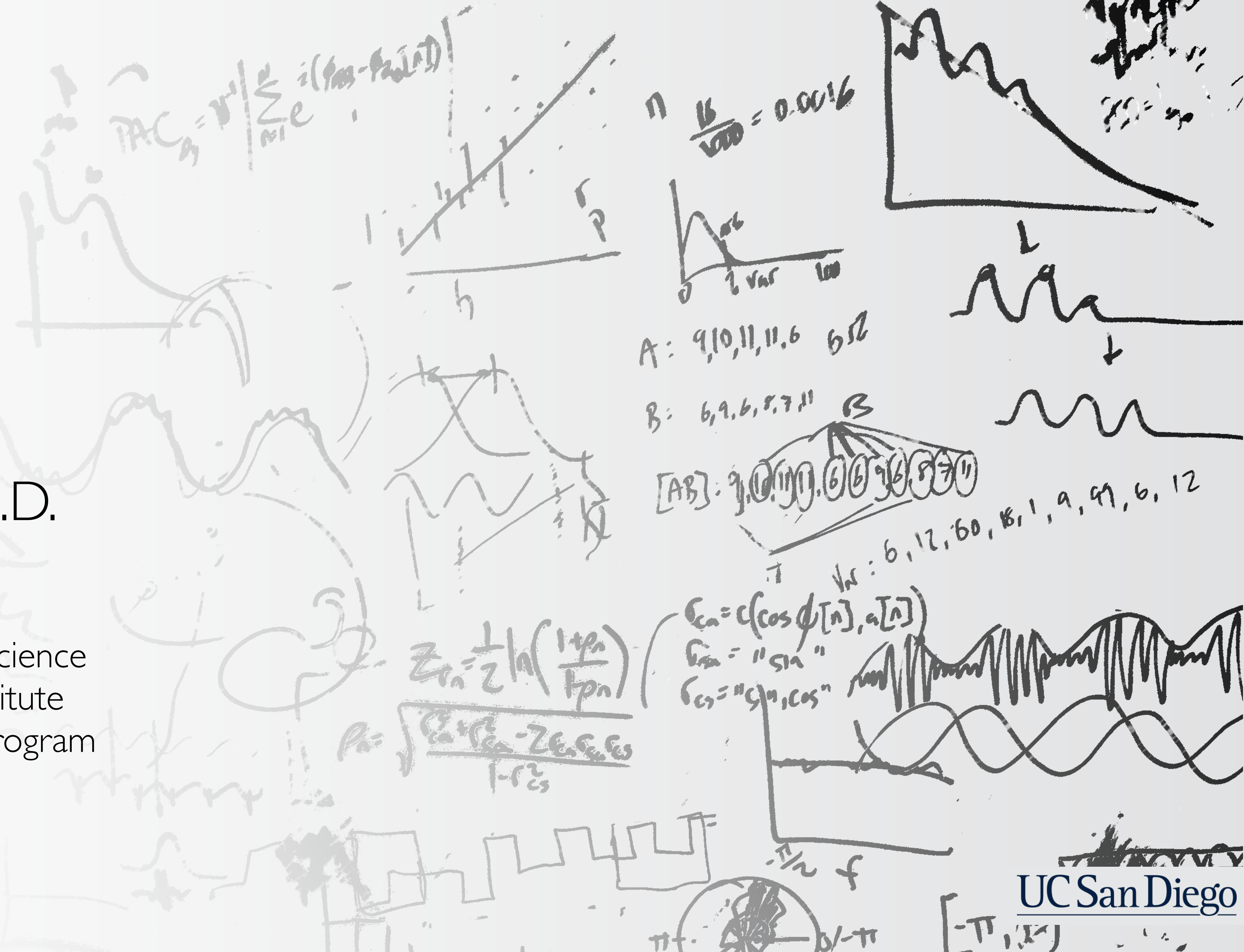


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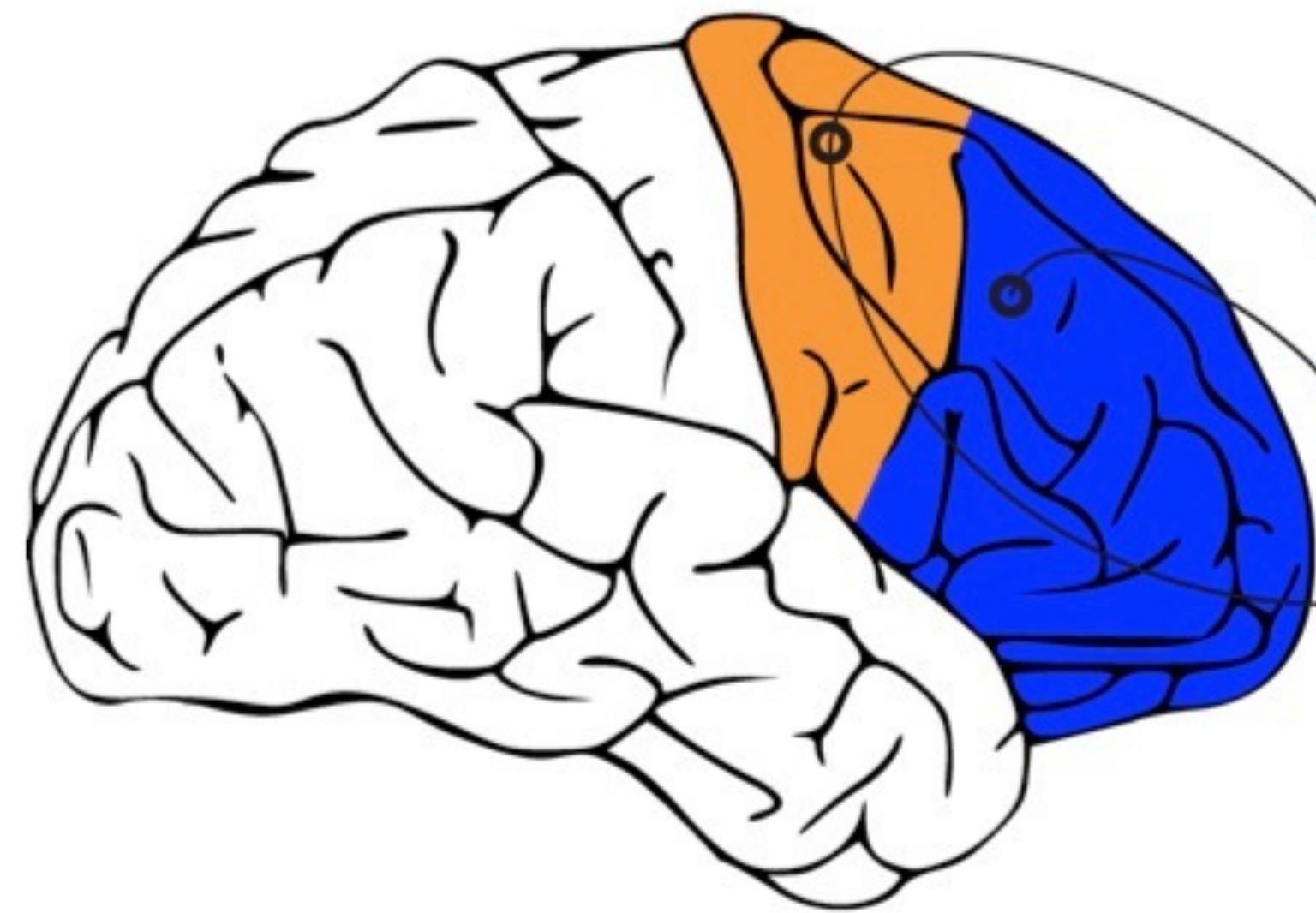


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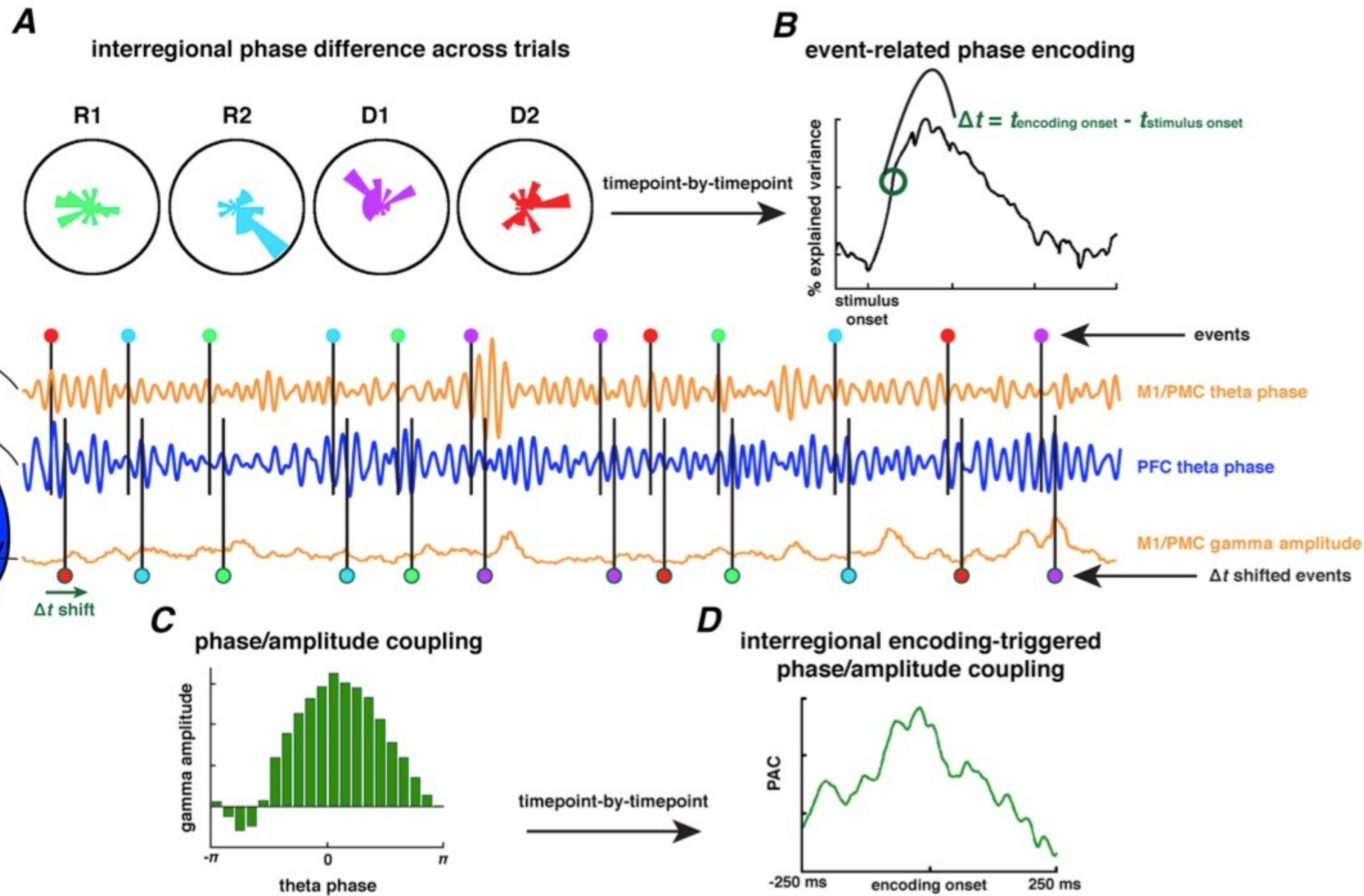
Introduction to Cognitive Science



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THE SCIENCE OF SURVIVING THE ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE

THE ZOMBIE DISORDER

CONSCIOUSNESS DEFICIT HYPOACTIVITY DISORDER

Consciousness Deficit Hypoactivity Disorder (CDHD): The loss of rational, voluntary and conscious behavior replaced by delusional/impulsive aggression, stimulus-driven attention, the inability to coordinate motor linguistic behaviors and an insatiable appetite for human flesh.

SCANS OF THE ZOMBIE BRAIN



■ ZOMBIE

■ HUMAN

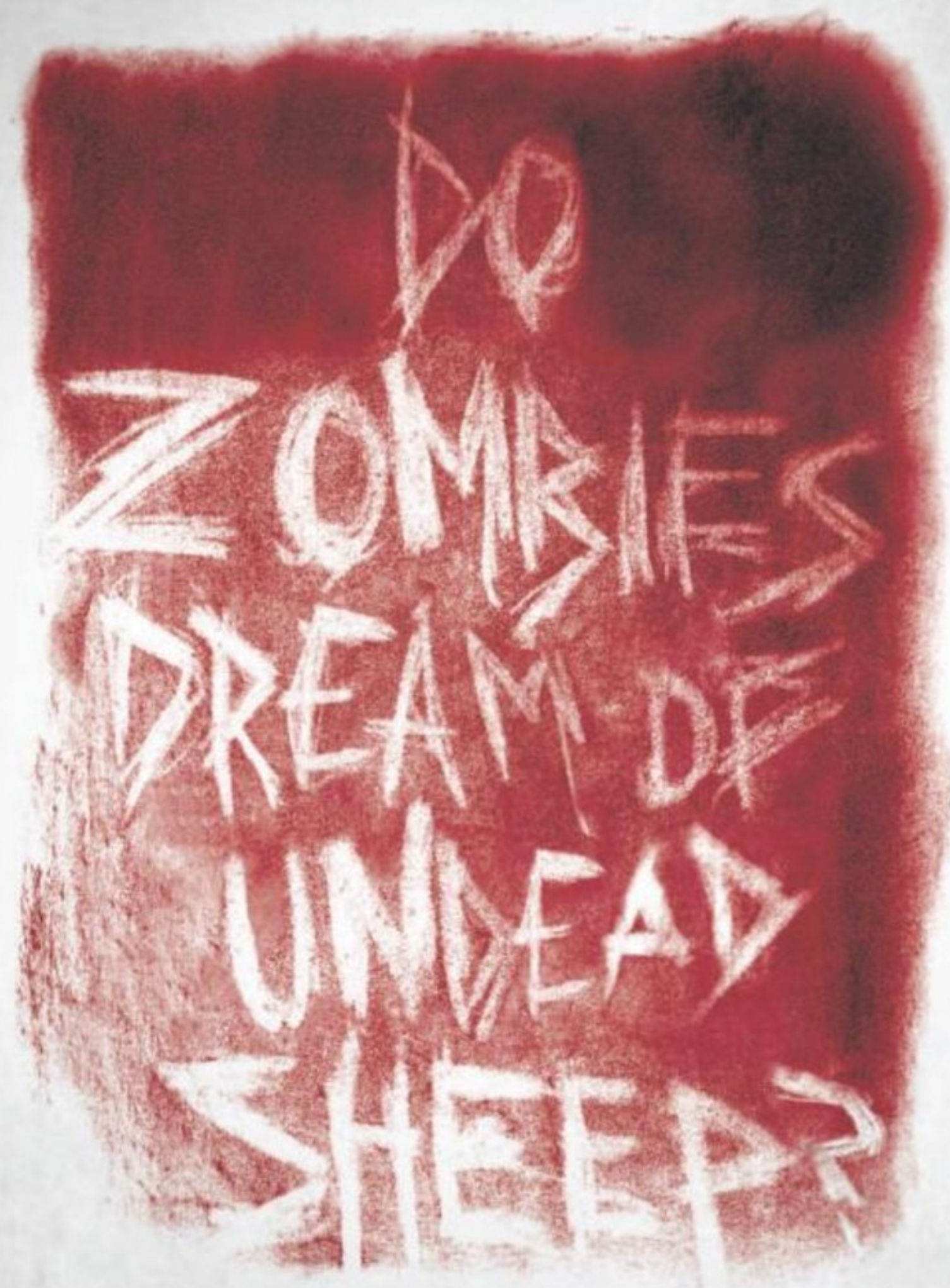
Through detailed scans, the exact brain areas that have been destroyed in the zombie can be reconstructed.

The scans show significant brain tissue loss in the zombie. The gray area shows what a human brain would look like. The profile of damage corroborates the behavioral observations of zombies.

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Scientists: Advertise Your Failures!

They're a part of every career, and being upfront about them can help put things in perspective

By Elizabeth Landau on September 25, 2017

Most academics are not so vocal about the setbacks they've faced, but Voytek's story has gained traction. Online discussion boards about graduate admissions have invoked Voytek's name to show that it's possible to enter a Ph.D. program—he went to the University of California, Berkeley—with a subpar transcript. One even asks: “Is the neuroscientist Bradley Voytek a real or fictional person?”

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Why Data Science?

DATA

Data Scientist: The Sexiest Job of the 21st Century

by **Thomas H. Davenport** and **D.J. Patil**

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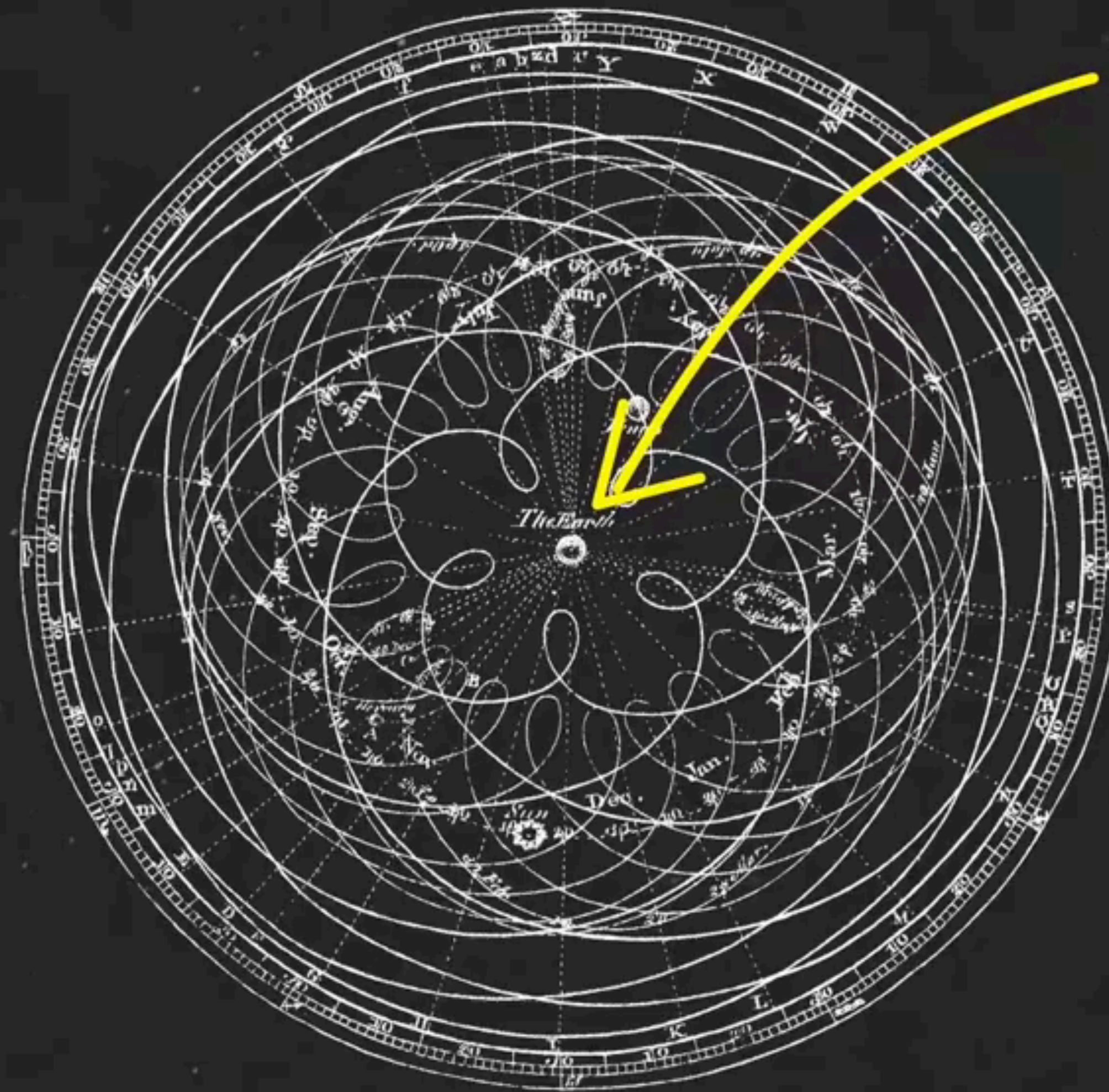
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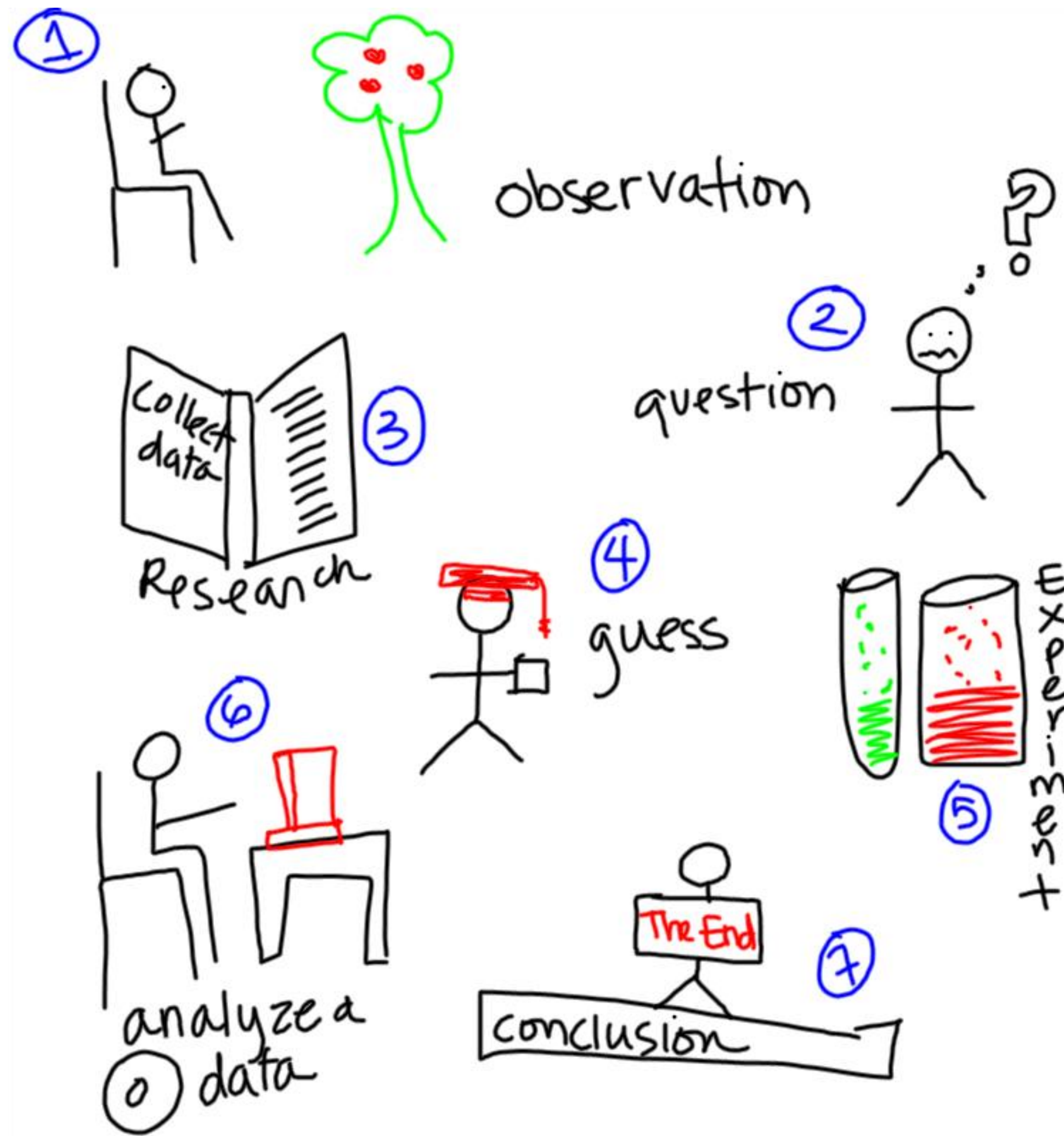
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Ptolemaic model

- That is, Ptolemy begins with observations.

The Scientific Method



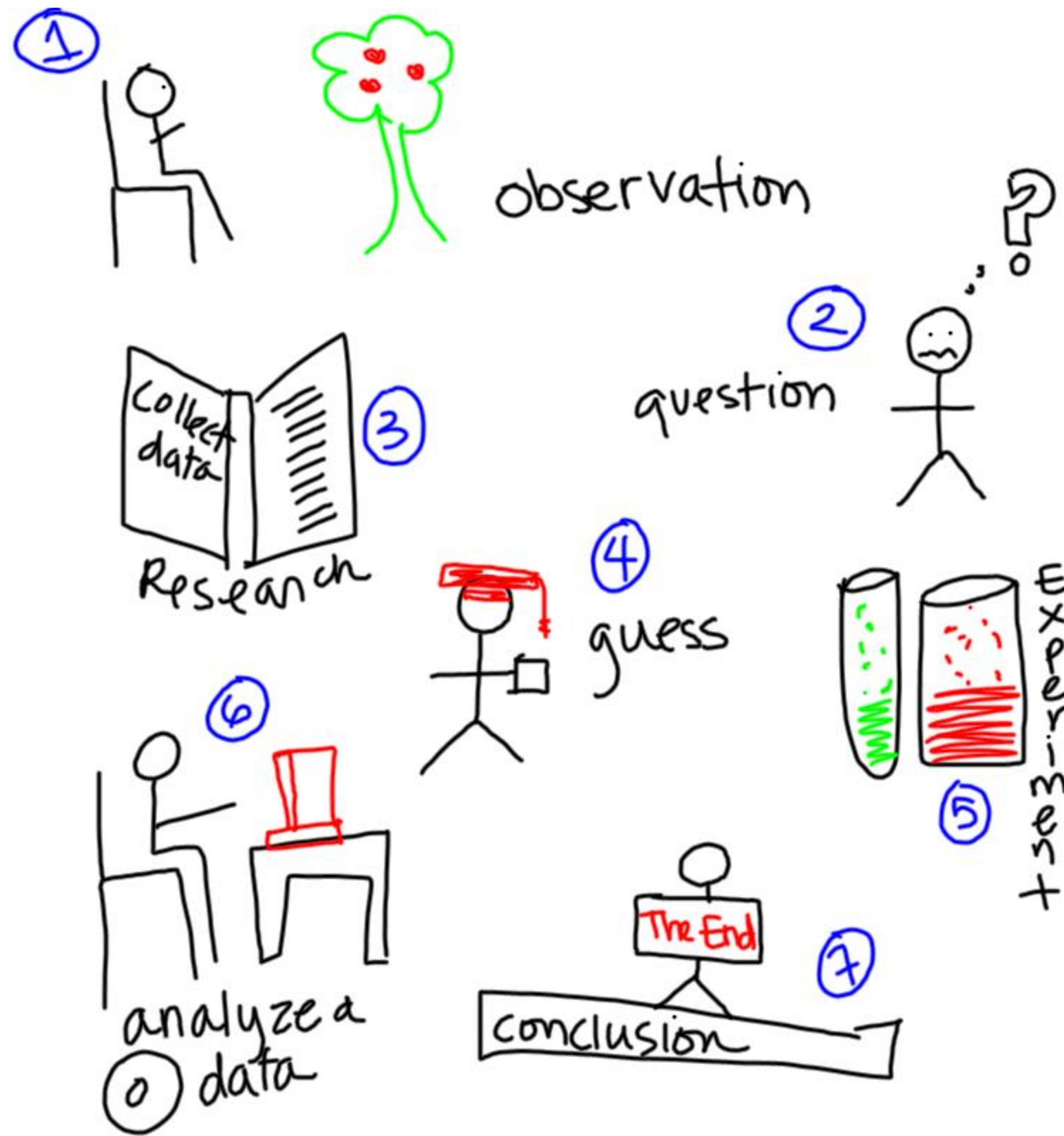
Ptolemaic model

- Accurate
- Predictive

Ptolemaic model

- He builds a model given *social and political constraints*.

The Scientific Method



**social and
political
constraints???**

THE SOLAR SYSTEM



So what is the point of modeling?

- Prediction

Modeling

2.3 Parsimony

Since all models are wrong the scientist cannot obtain a “correct” one by excessive elaboration. On the contrary following William of Occam he should seek an economical description of natural phenomena. Just as the ability to devise simple but evocative models is the signature of the great scientist so overelaboration and overparameterization is often the mark of mediocrity.

2.4 Worrying Selectively

Since all models are wrong the scientist must be alert to what is importantly wrong. It is inappropriate to be concerned about mice when there are tigers abroad.

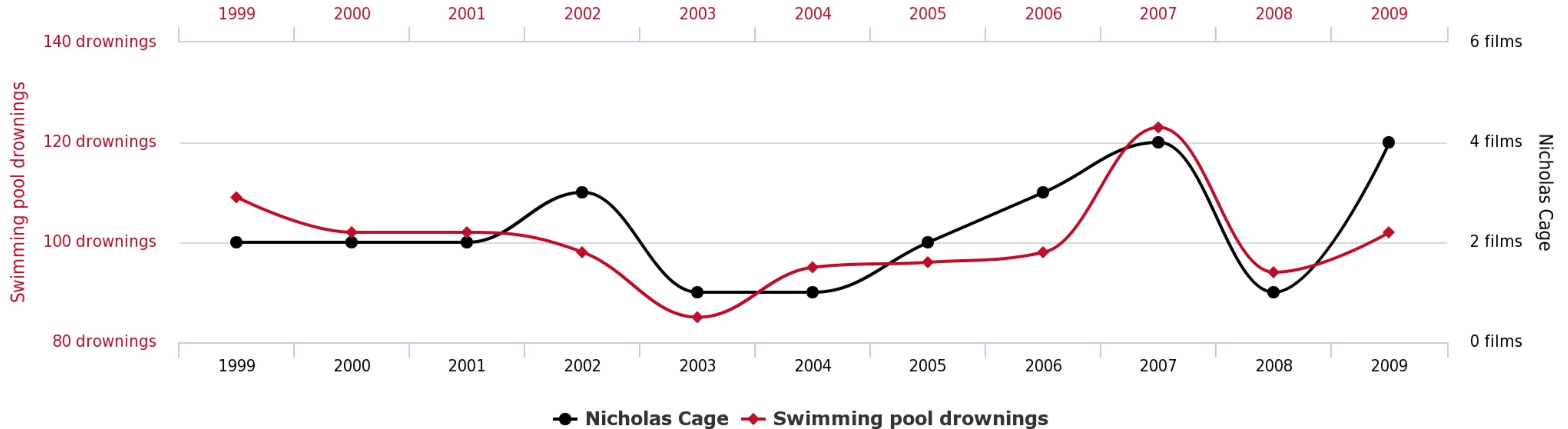
Modeling

- All models are wrong.

Number of people who drowned by falling into a pool

correlates with

Films Nicolas Cage appeared in



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- Some models are useful.

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- **DOING USEFUL SHIT**

What is Data Science?

Rigor and intuition

In today's pattern recognition class my professor talked about PCA, eigenvectors & eigenvalues.

I got the mathematics of it. If I'm asked to find eigenvalues etc. I'll do it correctly like a machine. But I didn't **understand** it. I didn't get the purpose of it. I didn't get the feel of it. I strongly believe in

you do not really understand something unless you can explain it to your grandmother -- Albert Einstein

Well, I can't explain these concepts to a layman or grandma.

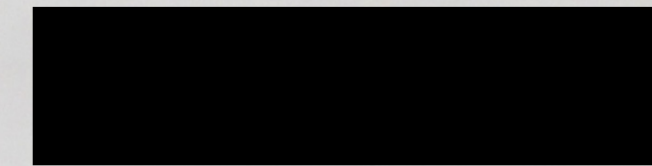
1. Why PCA, eigenvectors & eigenvalues? What was the *need* for these concepts?
2. How would you explain these to a layman?

Uber



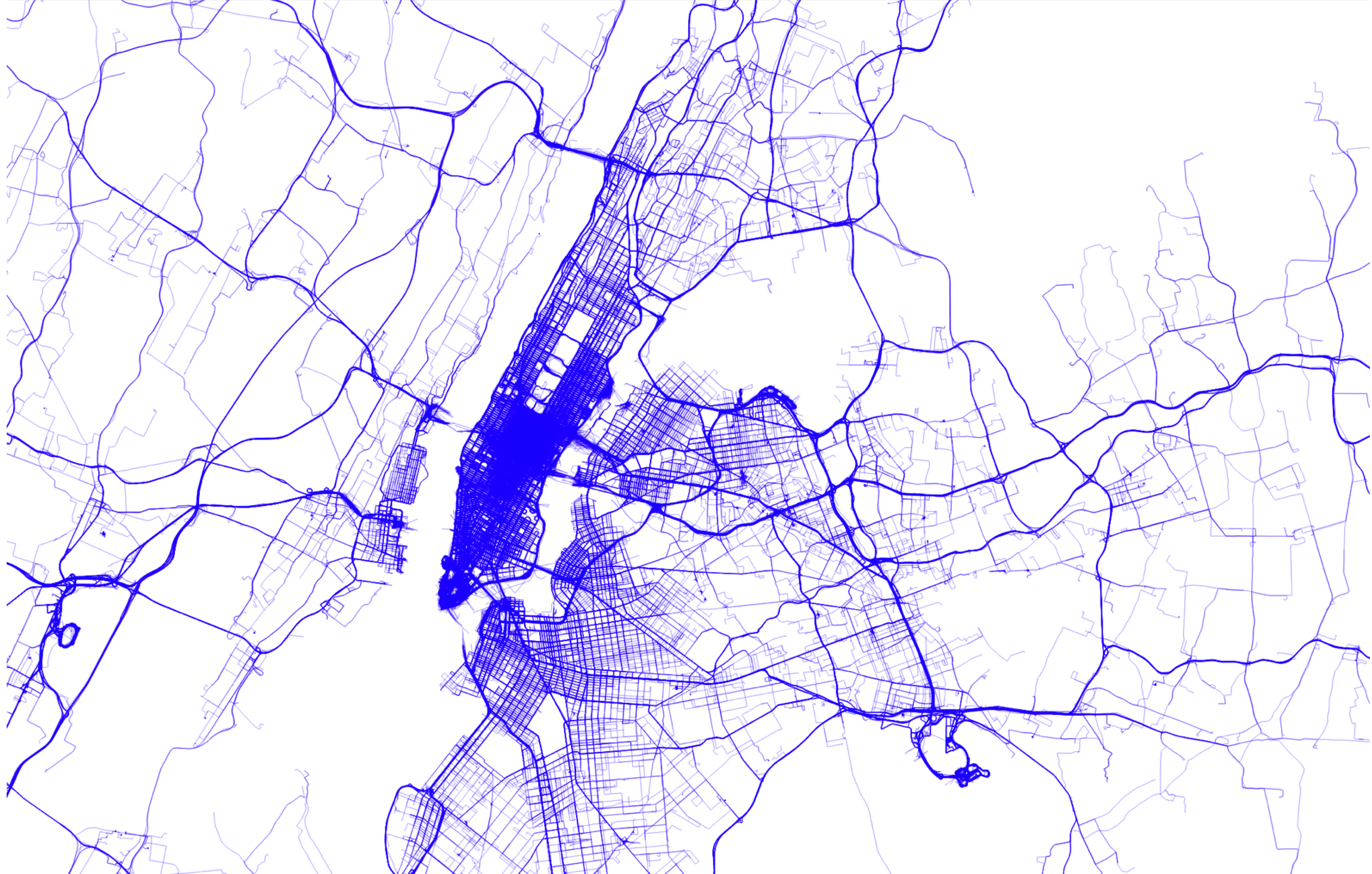
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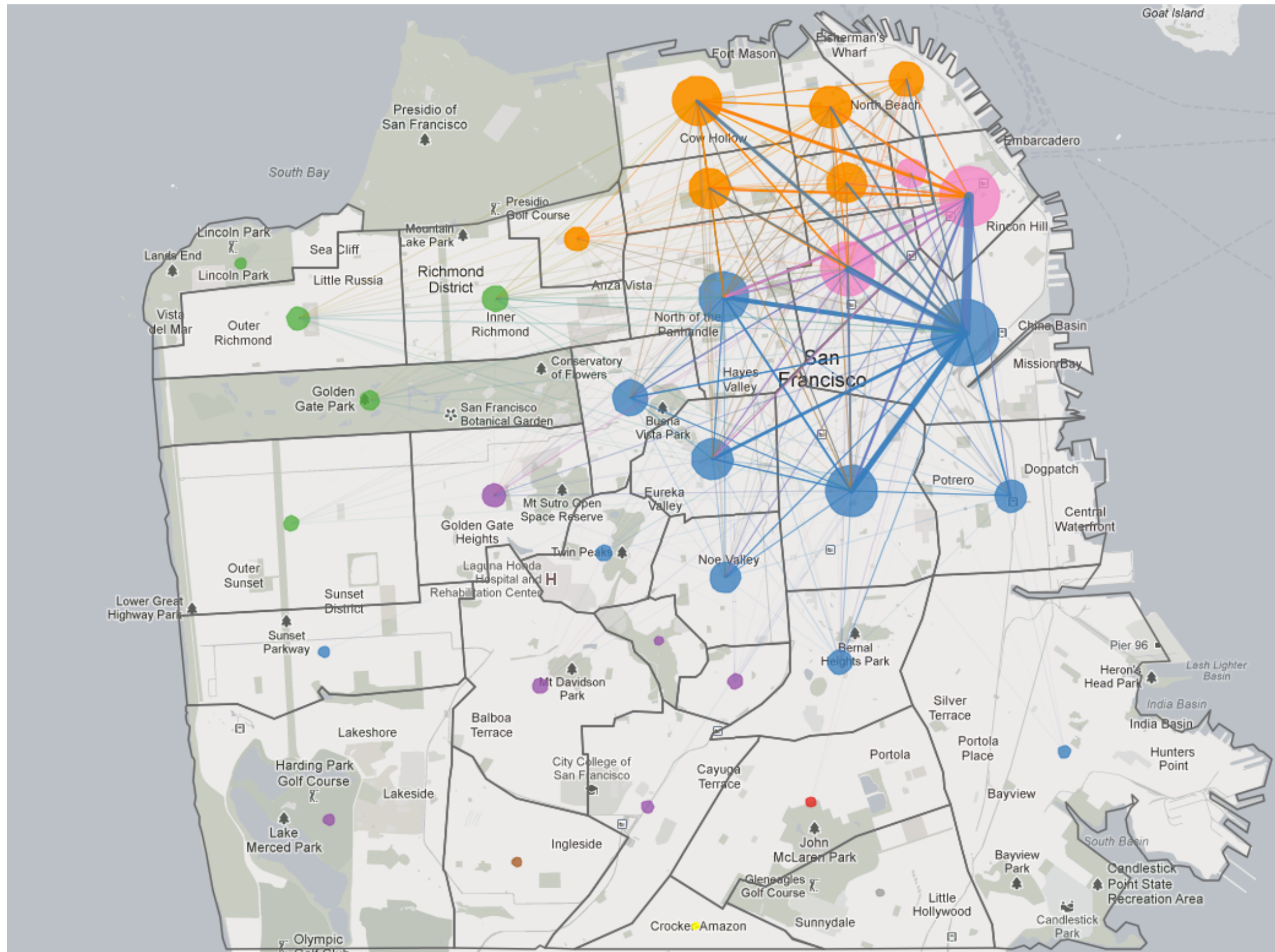
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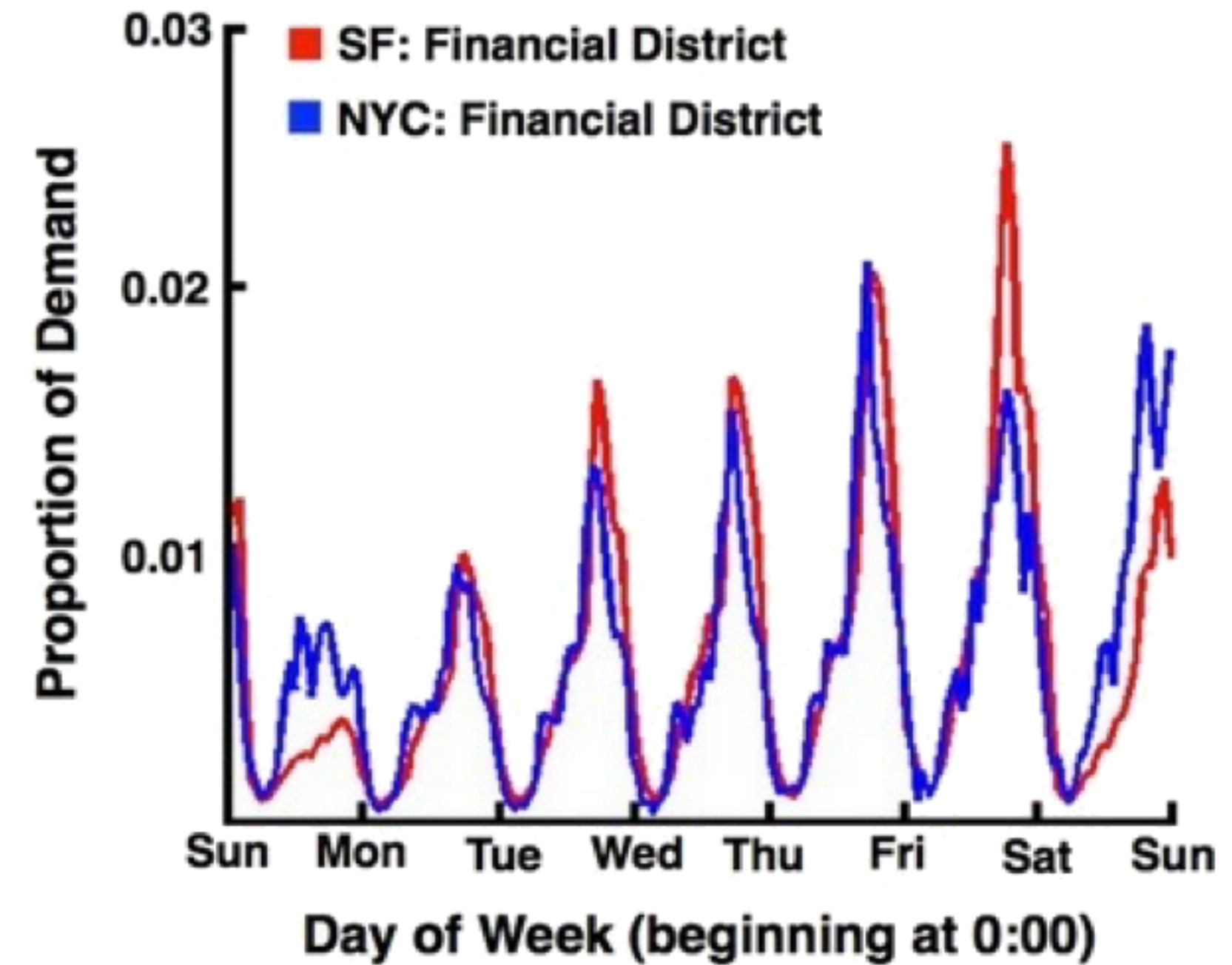
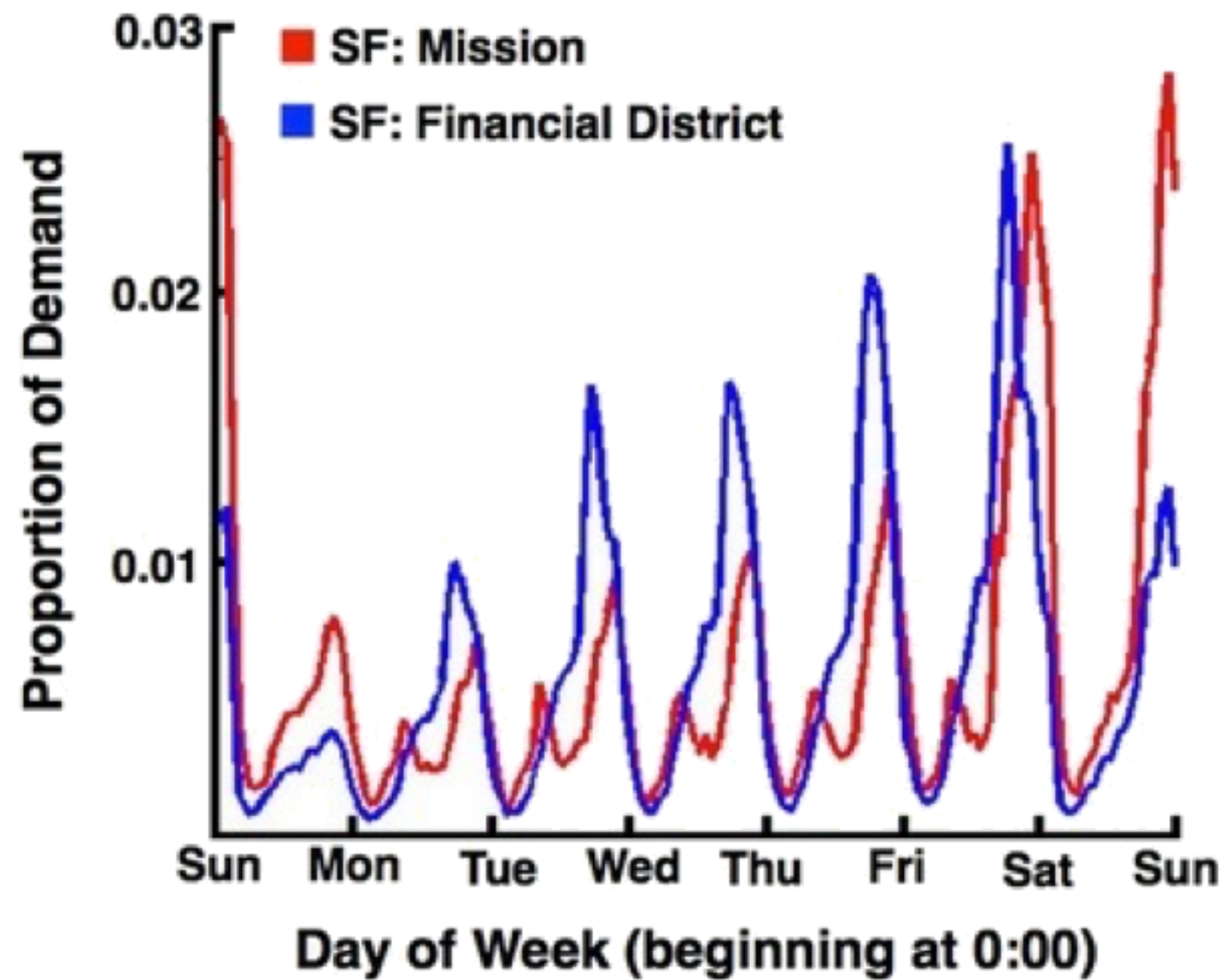
But how can you turn such relatively sparse data into
actionable business decisions (KPIs)?

City dynamics



- Aggregating data into arbitrary geographical units: here neighborhoods, but under the hood you'd use e.g., hexagonal tiling.
- Turns lat/long pairs and time into temporal profiles of demand between parts of a city.

Spatiotemporal dynamics

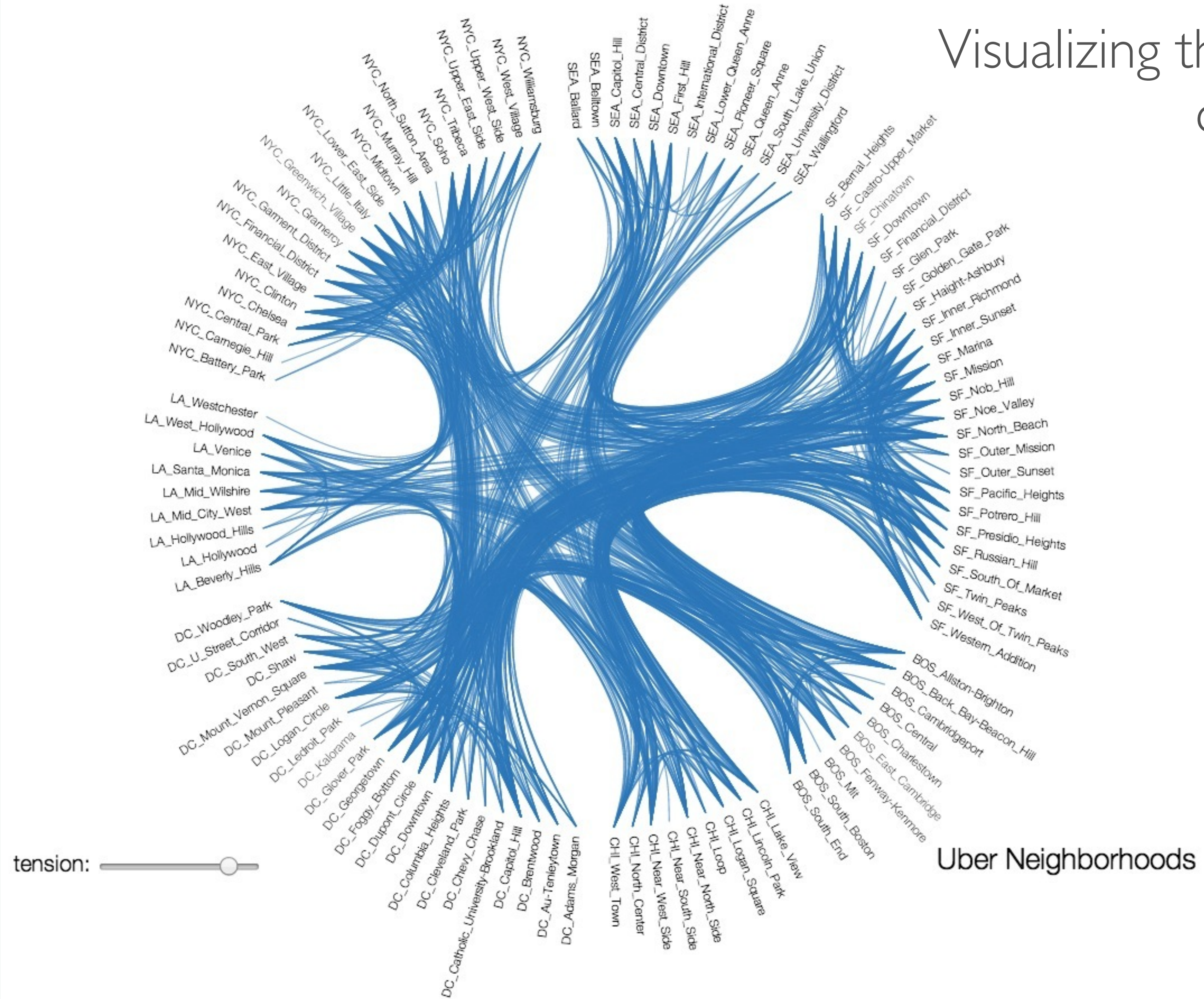


Spatiotemporal dynamics

- **Looking at dynamics over time allows you to correlate neighborhoods within and between cities.**
- **Can identify “types” of neighborhoods: those with peak weekend and late night demands are more “party”-like whereas M-F peaks are more “business” regions.**



Visualizing the neighborhood correlation graph

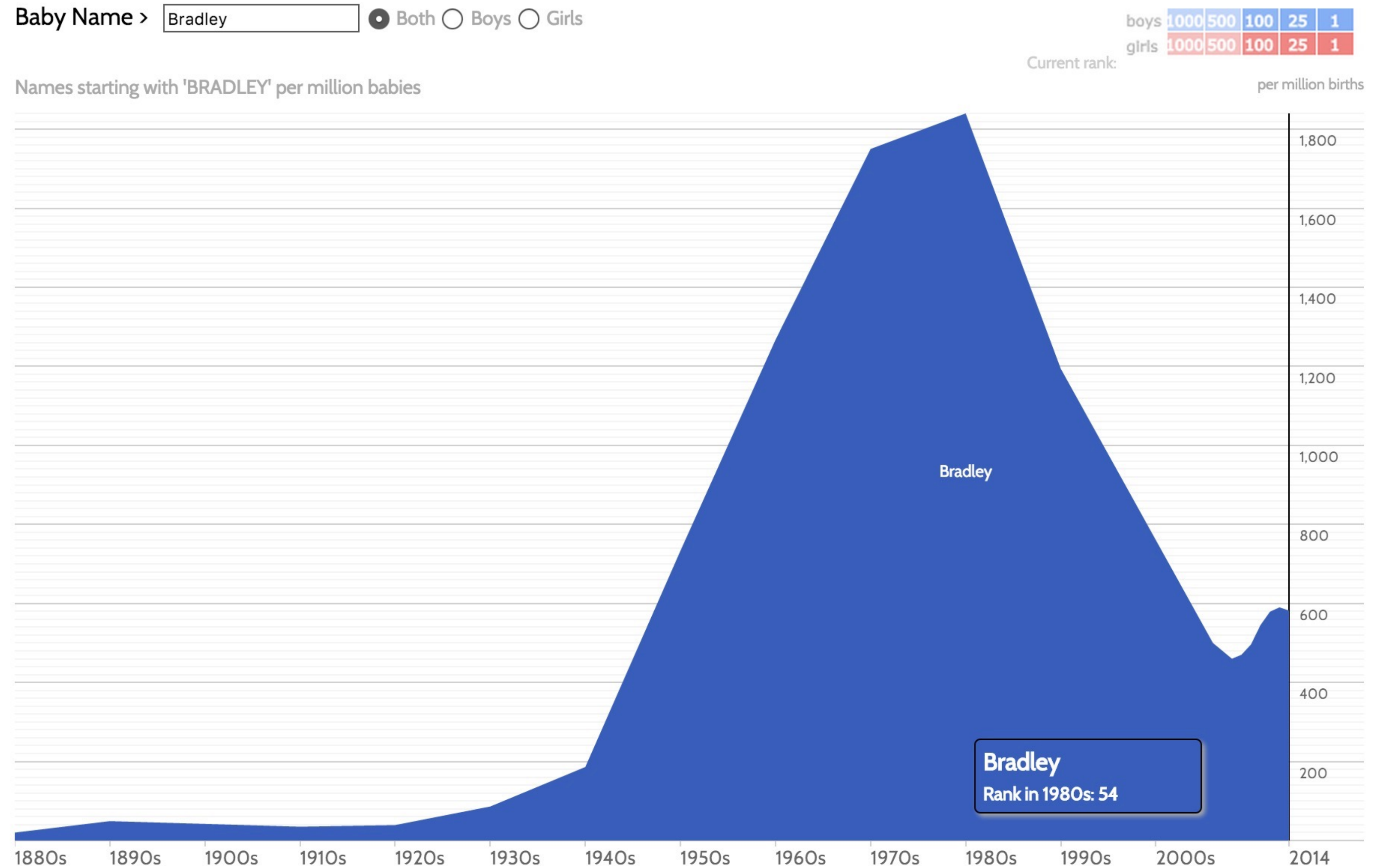


Uber Neighborhoods

The Human Side of Data Science

Names over time

- Quantifying name popularity, trendiness, and “toxicity”.



Names over time

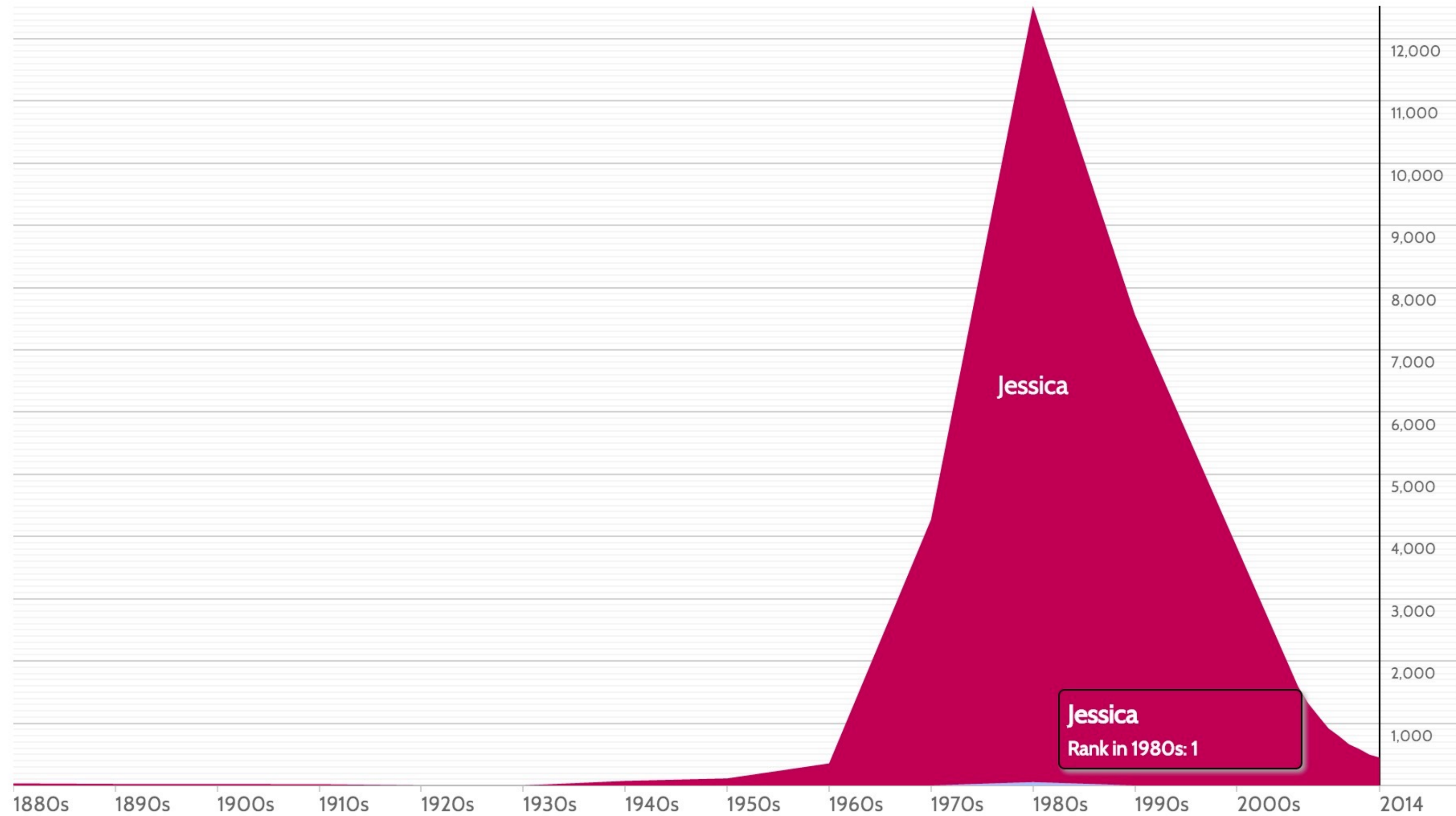
Baby Name > Both Boys Girls

Current rank:

boys	1000	500	100	25	1
girls	1000	500	100	25	1

 per million births

Names starting with 'JESSICA' per million babies

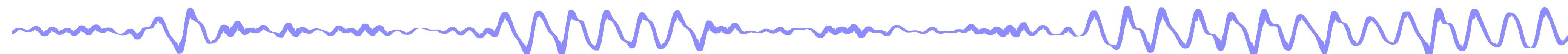
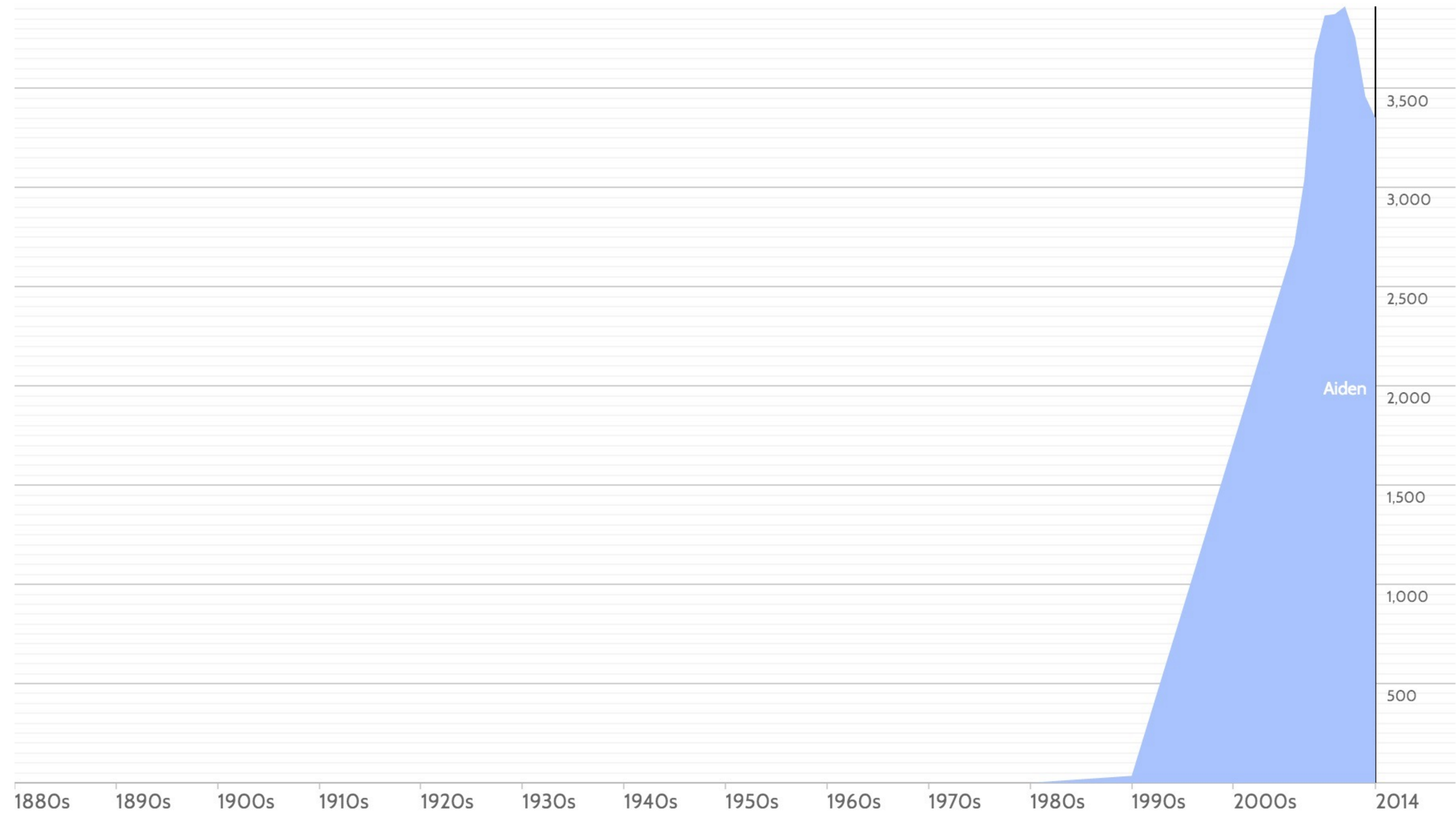


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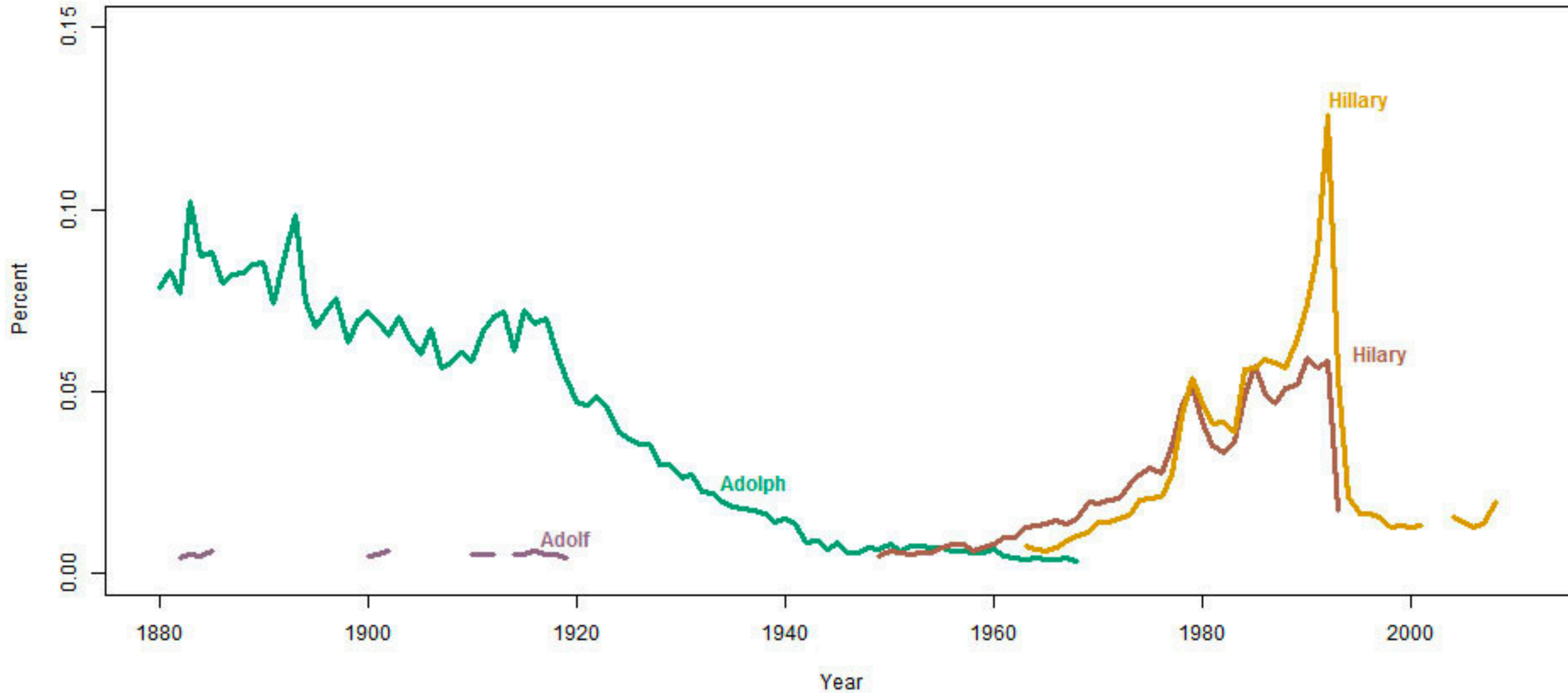
Current rank: boys 1000 500 100 25 1
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Babies named 'AIDEN' per million babies.



Name "toxicity"

Percent of babies named Adolf, Adolph, Hilary or Hillary over time



Plurals



Verb regularization

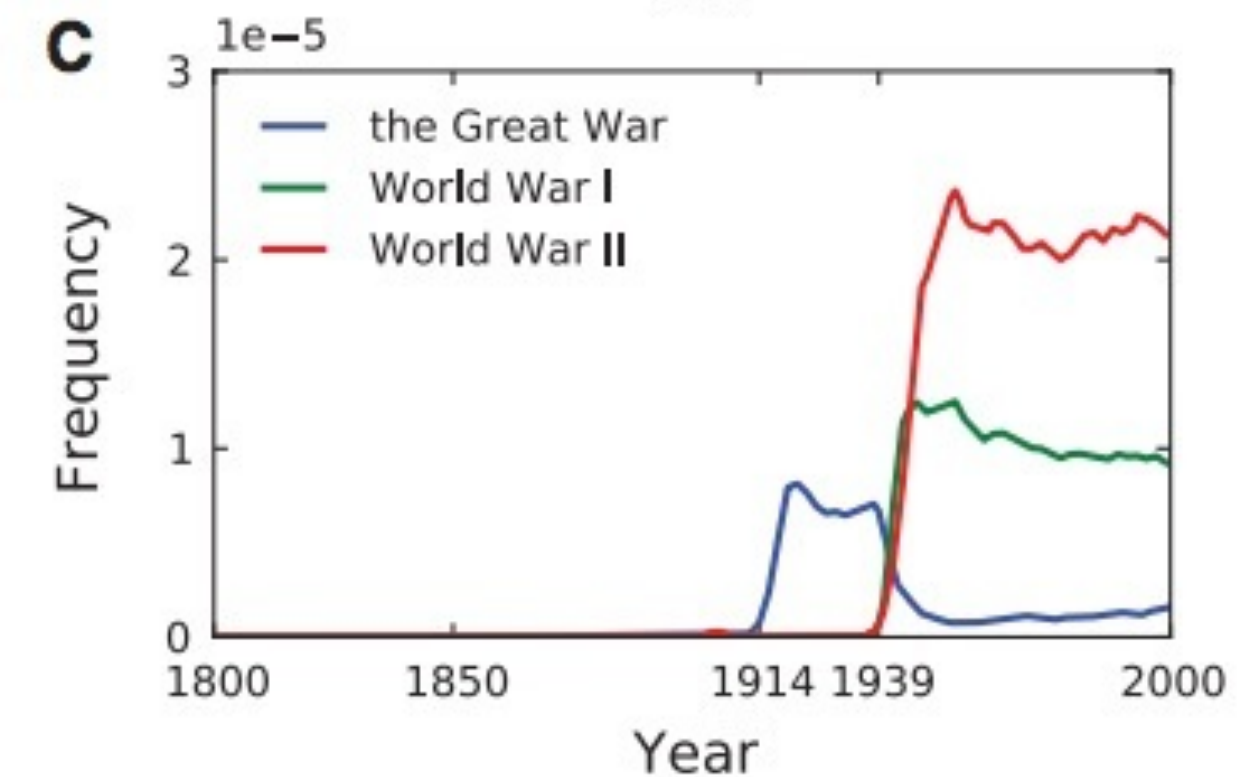
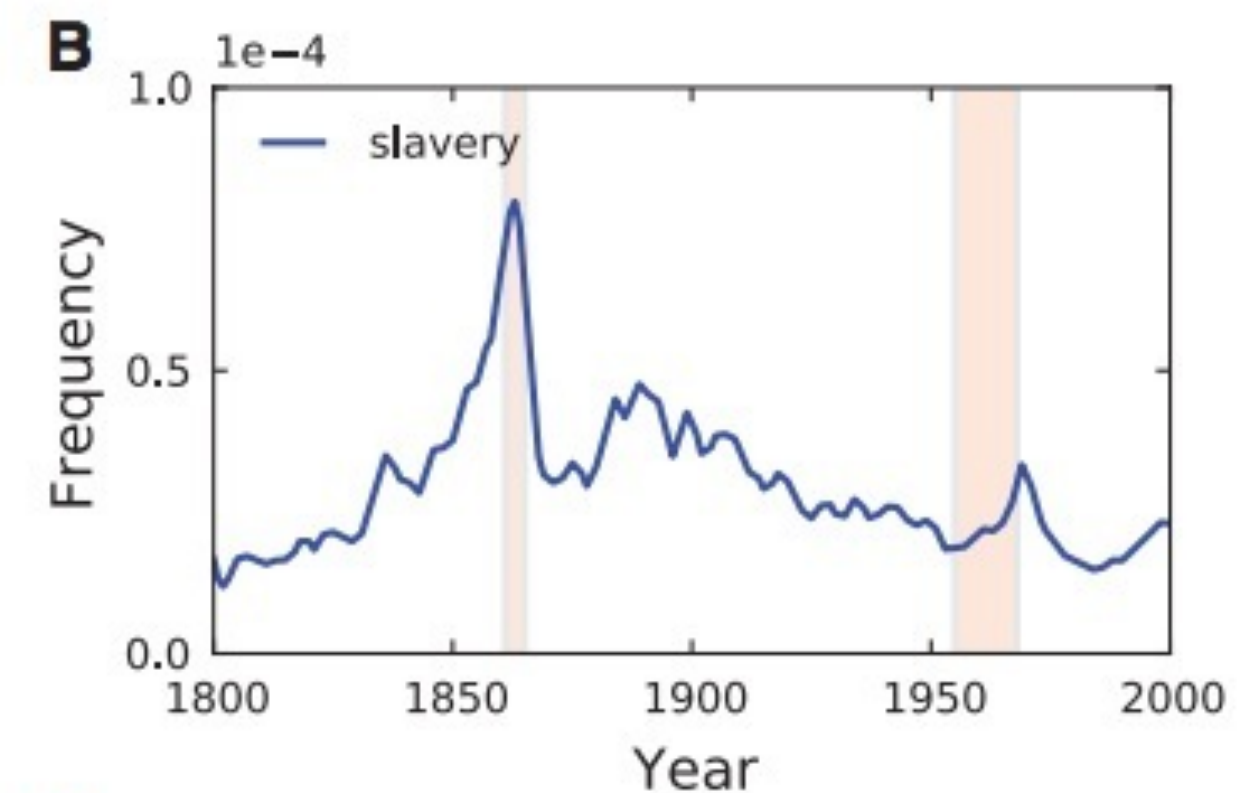
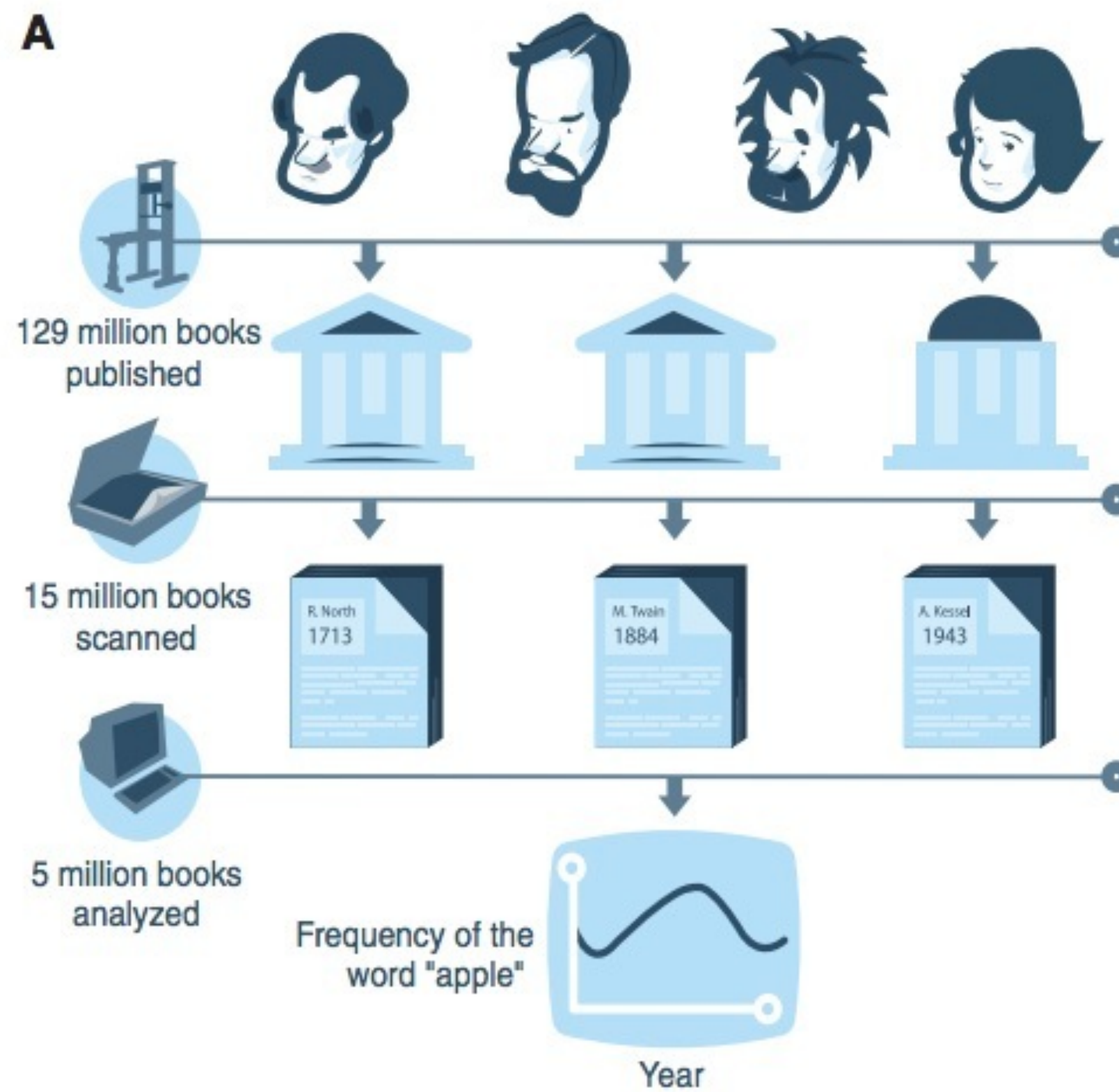
Table 1 | The 177 irregular verbs studied

Frequency	Verbs	Regularization (%)	Half-life (yr)
10 ⁻¹ -1	be, have	0	38,800
10 ⁻² -10 ⁻¹	come, do, find, get, give, go, know, say, see, take, think	0	14,400
10 ⁻³ -10 ⁻²	begin, break, bring, buy, choose, draw, drink, drive, eat, fall, fight, forget, grow, hang, help , hold, leave, let, lie, lose, reach , rise, run, seek, set, shake, sit, sleep, speak, stand, teach, throw, understand, walk , win, work , write	10	5,400
10 ⁻⁴ -10 ⁻³	arise, bake , bear, beat, bind, bite, blow, bow , burn, burst, carve , chew , climb , cling, creep, dare , dig, drag , flee, float , flow , fly, fold , freeze, grind, leap, lend, lock , melt , reckon , ride, rush , shape , shine, shoot, shrink, sigh , sing, sink, slide, slip , smoke , spin, spring, starve , steal, step , stretch , strike, stroke , suck , swallow , swear, sweep, swim, swing, tear, wake, wash , weave, weep, weigh , wind, yell , yield	43	2,000
10 ⁻⁵ -10 ⁻⁴	bark , bellow , bid, blend , braid , brew , cleave , cringe , crow , dive , drip , fare , fret , glide , gnaw , grip , heave, knead , low, milk, mourn , mow , prescribe , redden , reek , row, scrape , seethe , shear, shed, shove , slay, slit, smite , sow, span , spurn , sting, stink, strew, stride, swell, tread , uproot , wade , warp , wax, wield , wring, writhe	72	700
10 ⁻⁶ -10 ⁻⁵	bide , chide , delve , flay , hew, rue, shrive , slink, snip , spew , sup , wreak	91	300

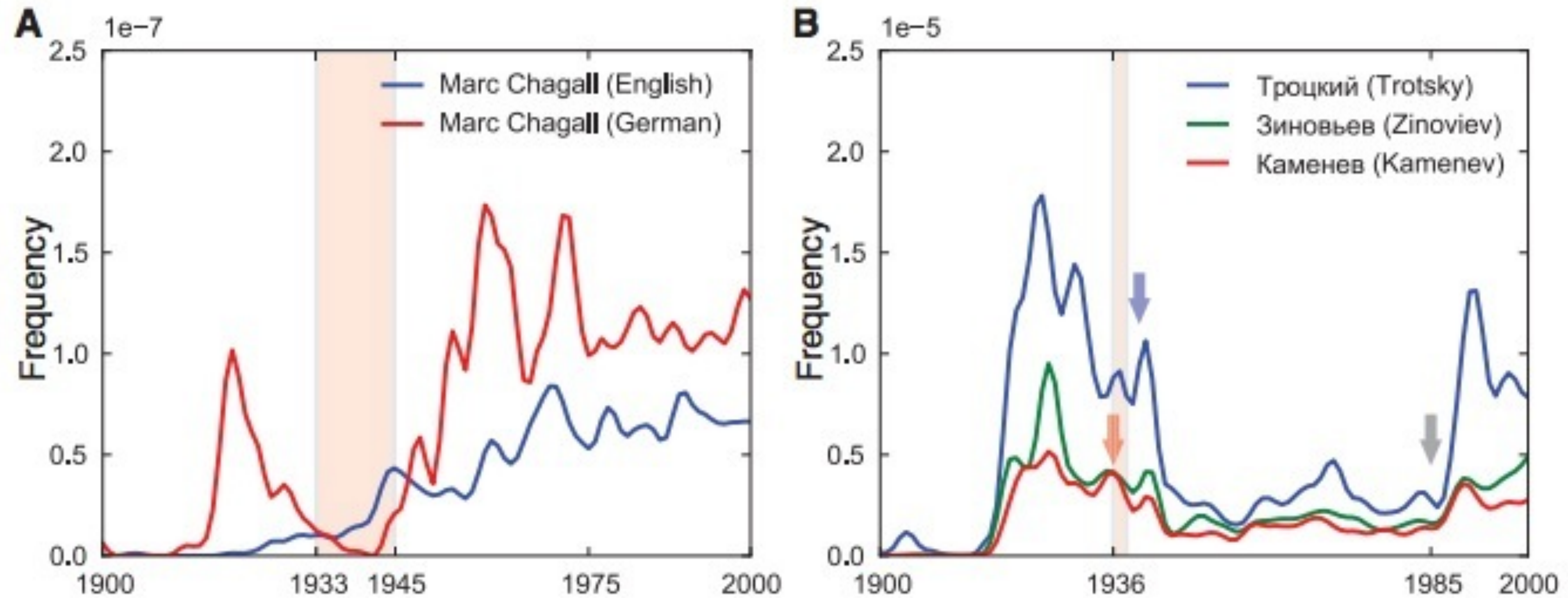
177 Old English irregular verbs were compiled for this study. These are arranged according to frequency bin, and in alphabetical order within each bin. Also shown is the percentage of verbs in each bin that have regularized. The half-life is shown in years. Verbs that have regularized are indicated in red. As we move down the list, an increasingly large fraction of the verbs are red; the frequency-dependent regularization of irregular verbs becomes immediately apparent.

Culturomics

Fig. 1. Culturomic analyses study millions of books at once. **(A)** Top row: Authors have been writing for millennia; ~129 million book editions have been published since the advent of the printing press (upper left). Second row: Libraries and publishing houses provide books to Google for scanning (middle left). Over 15 million books have been digitized. Third row: Each book is associated with metadata. Five million books are chosen for computational analysis (bottom left). Bottom row: A culturomic time line shows the frequency of “apple” in English books over time (1800–2000). **(B)** Usage frequency of “slavery”. The Civil War (1861–1865) and the civil rights movement (1955–1968) are highlighted in red. The number in the upper left ($1e-4 = 10^{-4}$) is the unit of frequency. **(C)** Usage frequency over time for “the Great War” (blue), “World War I” (green), and “World War II” (red).



Culturomics



Cognitive Data Science!

So what is Cognitive Science?

What is Cognitive Science?

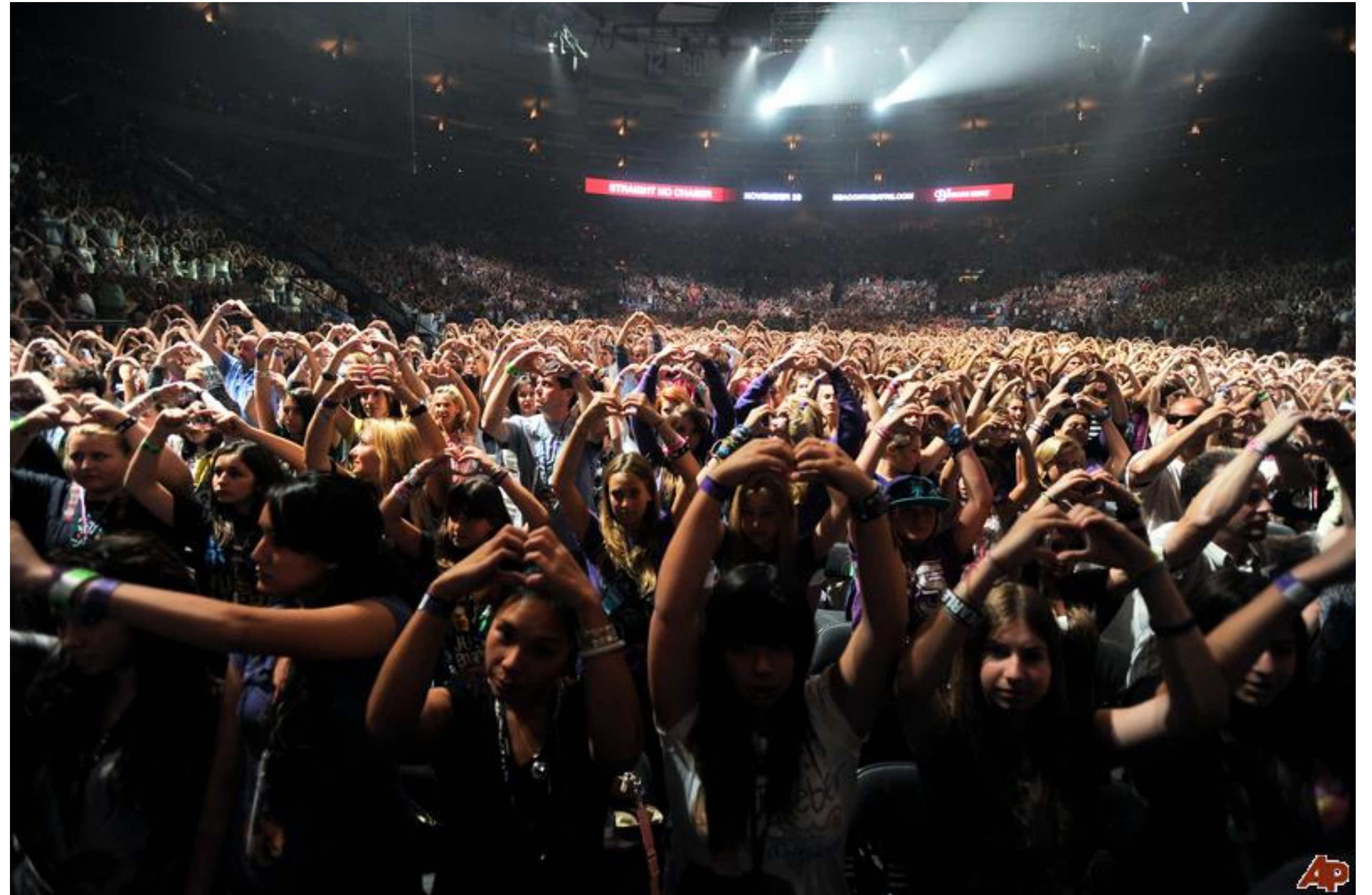
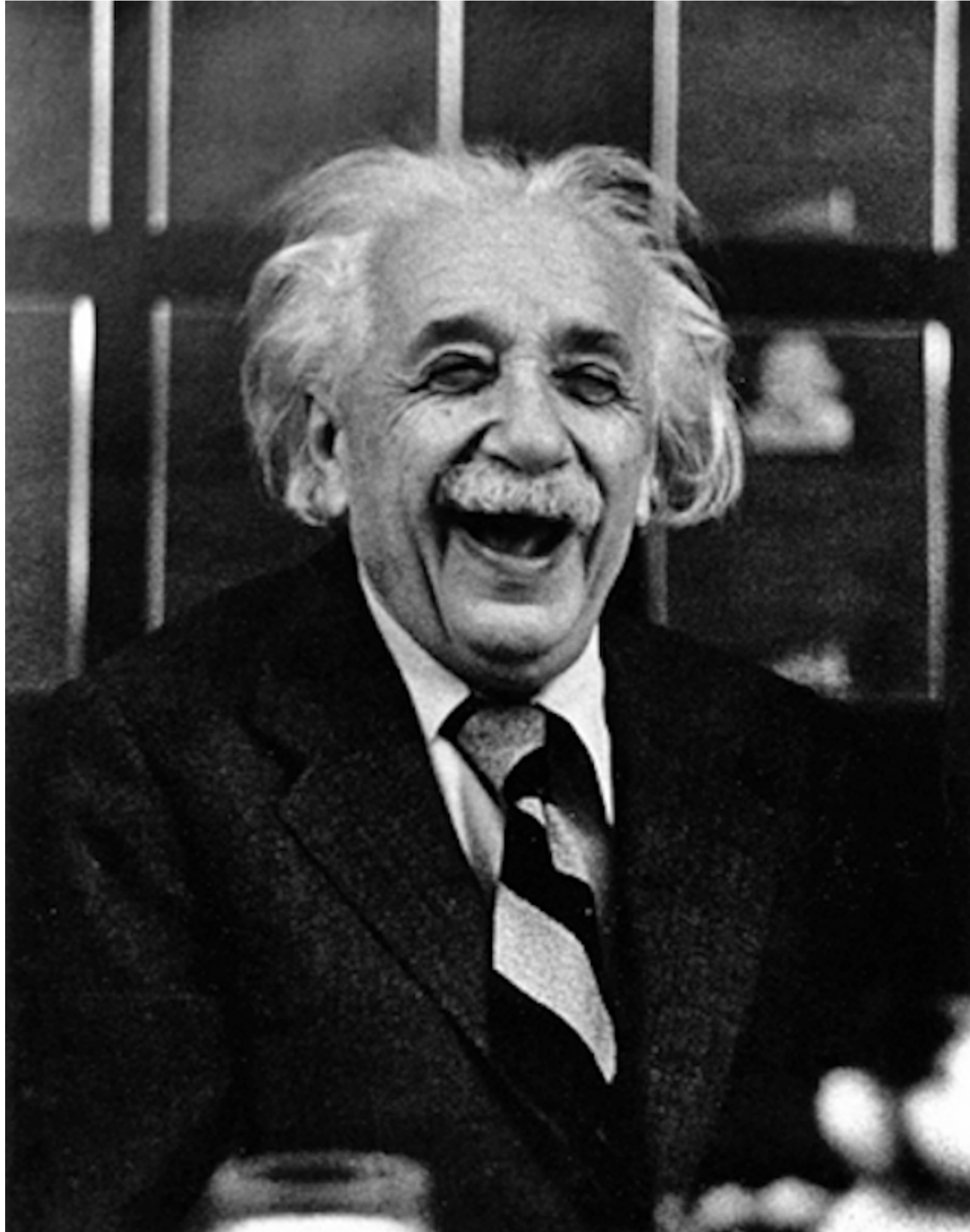
The study of intelligences.
Natural and artificial.

What is “cognition”?

Communication +
Computation +
Reasoning/inference +
Memory +
Planning/decision making +
...

What has cognition?

Humans?



Babies?



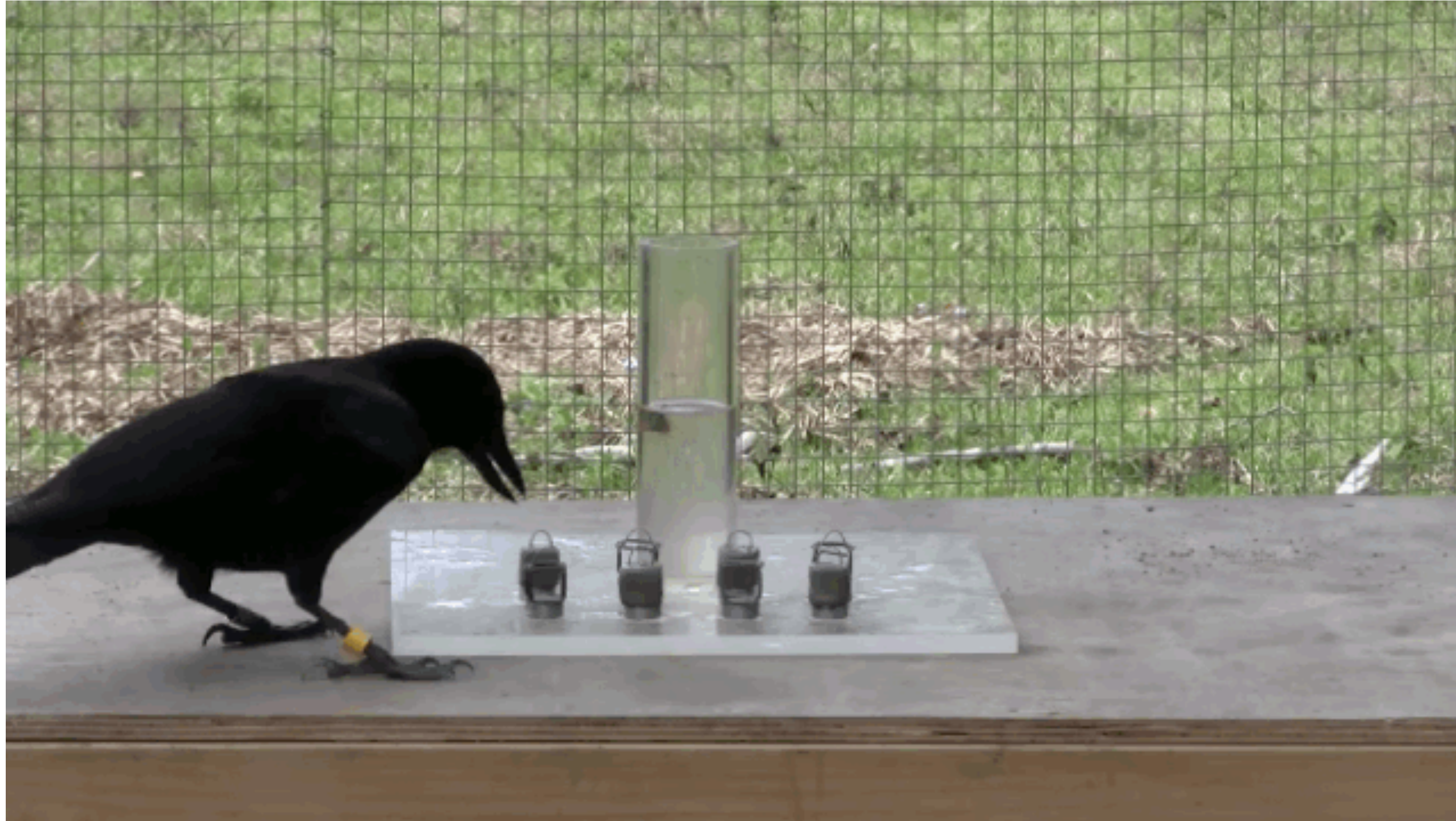
What about non-human primates?



Other mammals?



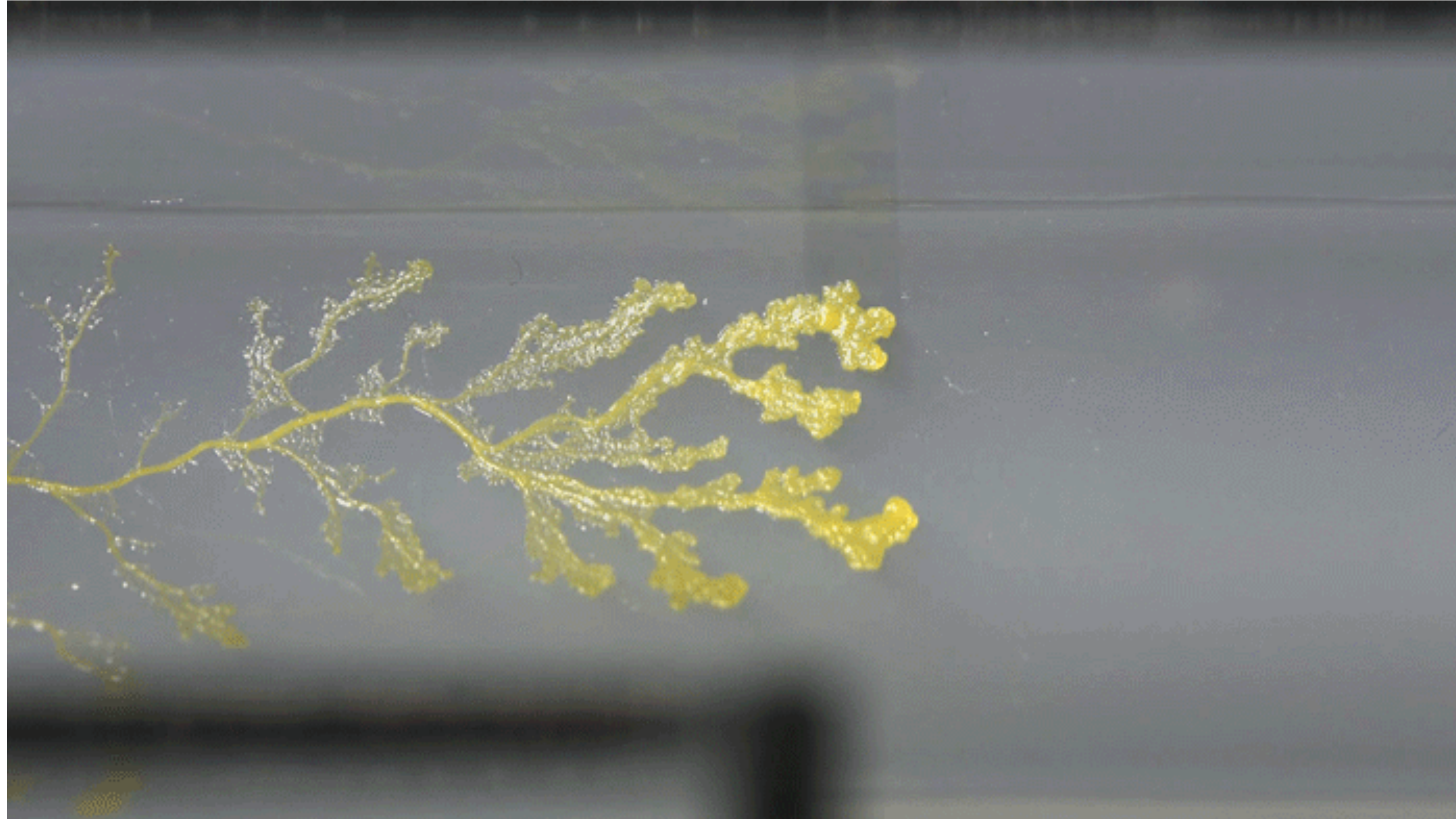
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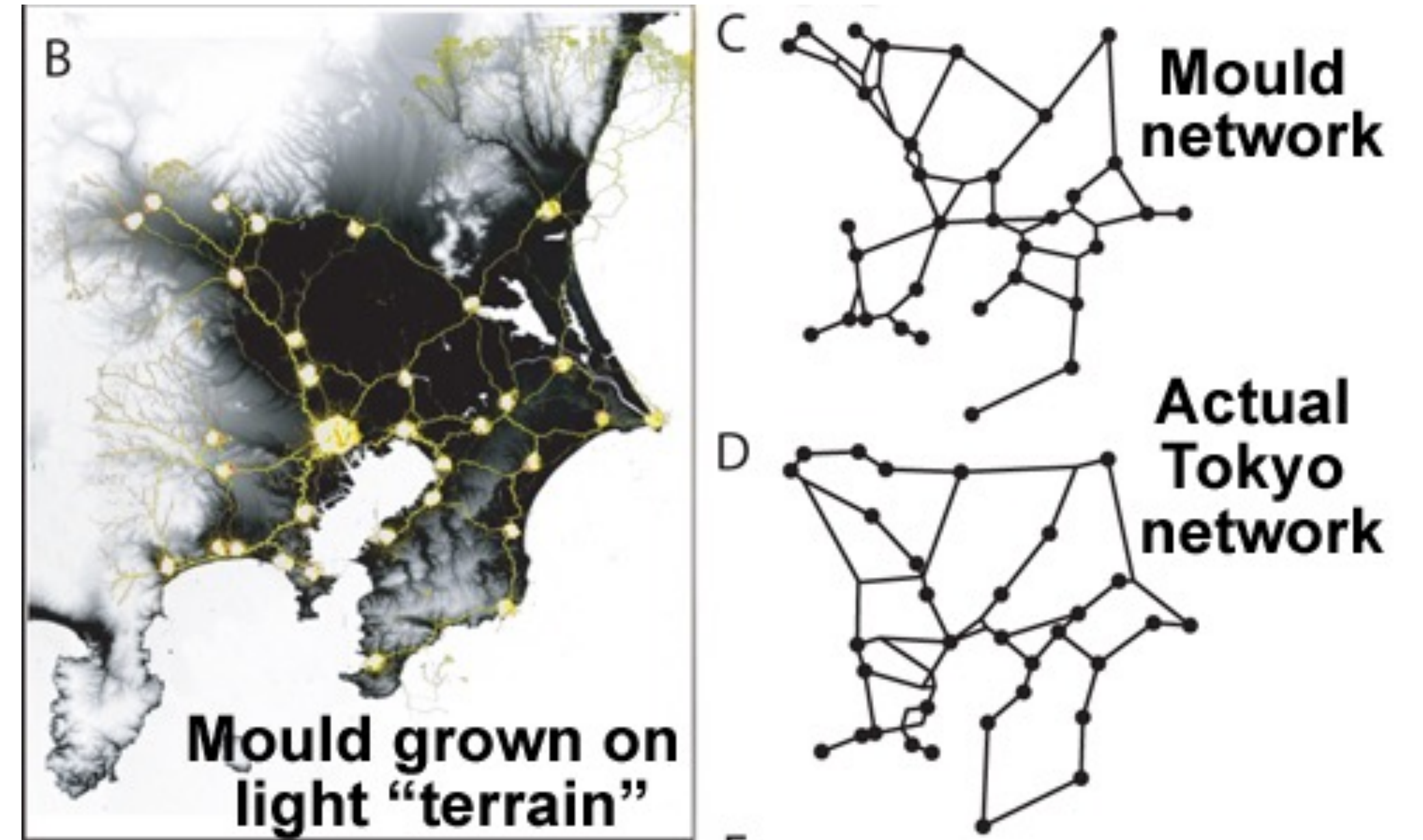
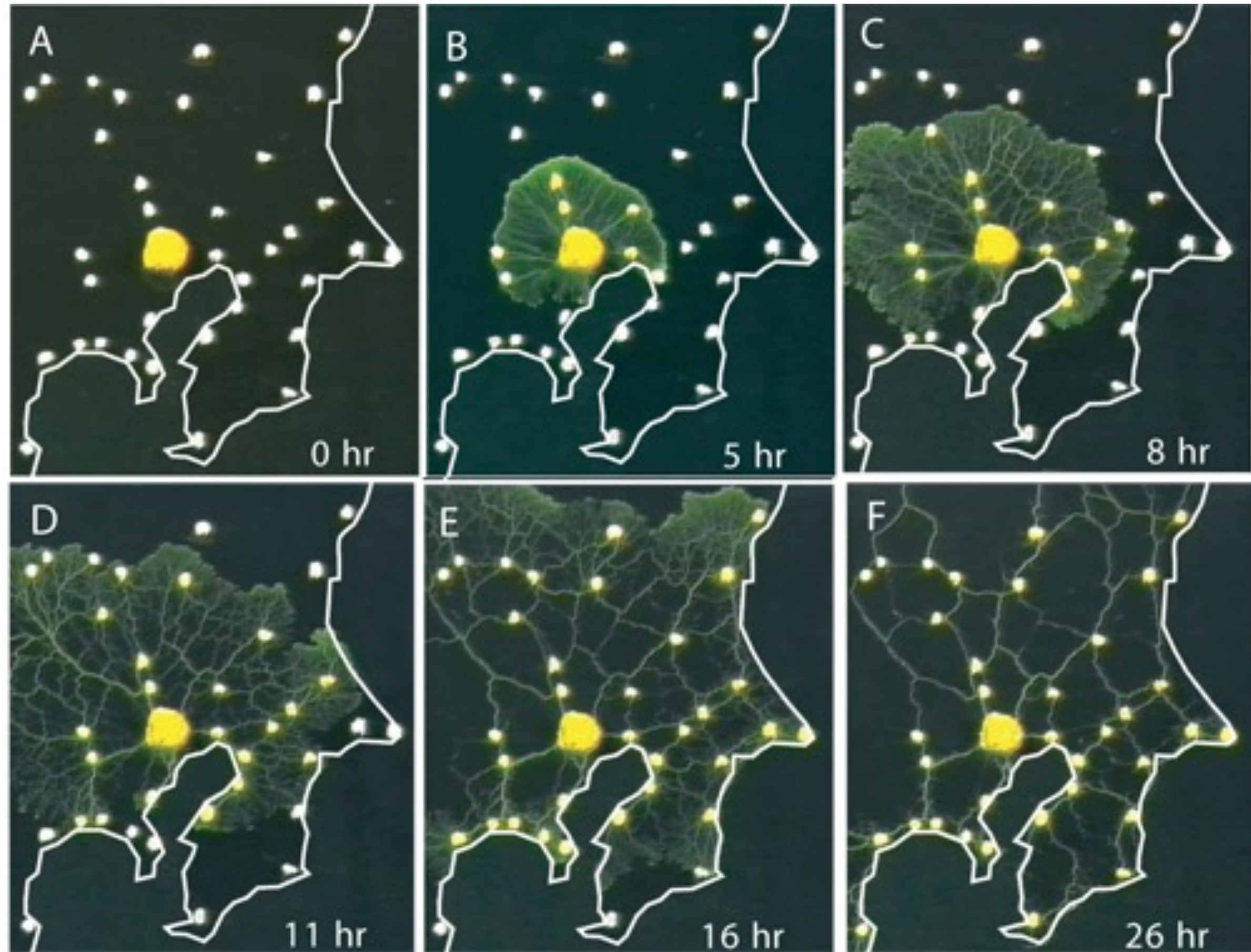
Octopuses?!?



Slime molds?



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Linking Cognitive Science, Neuroscience, and Data Science

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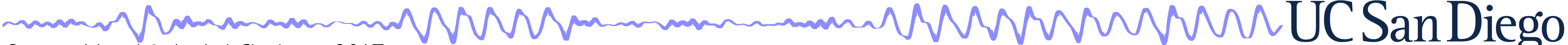
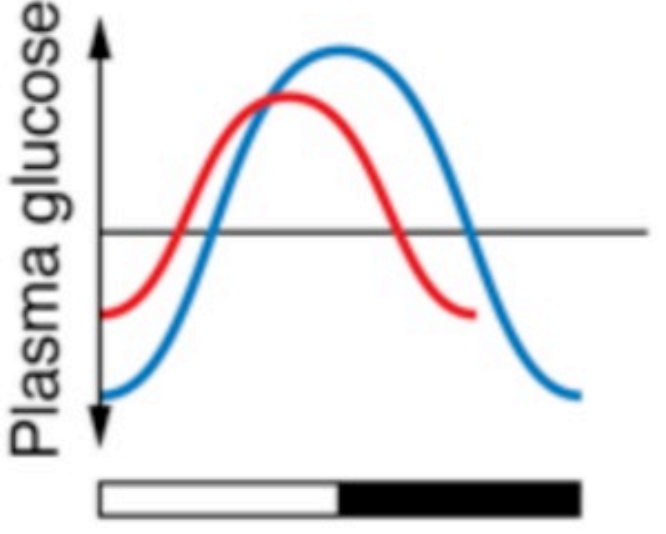
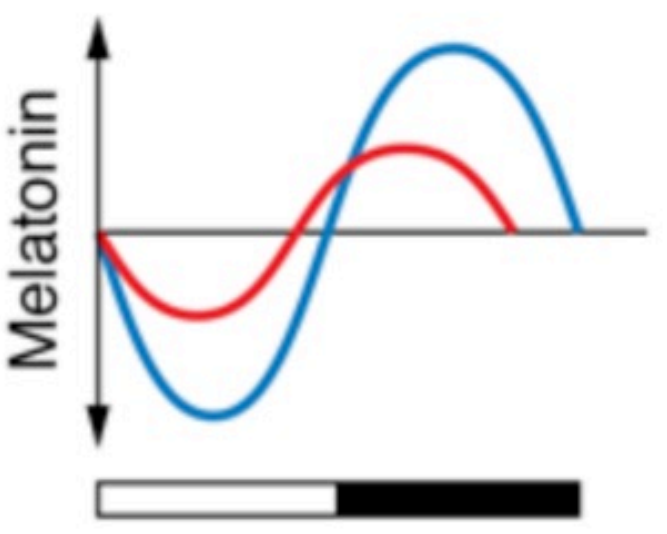
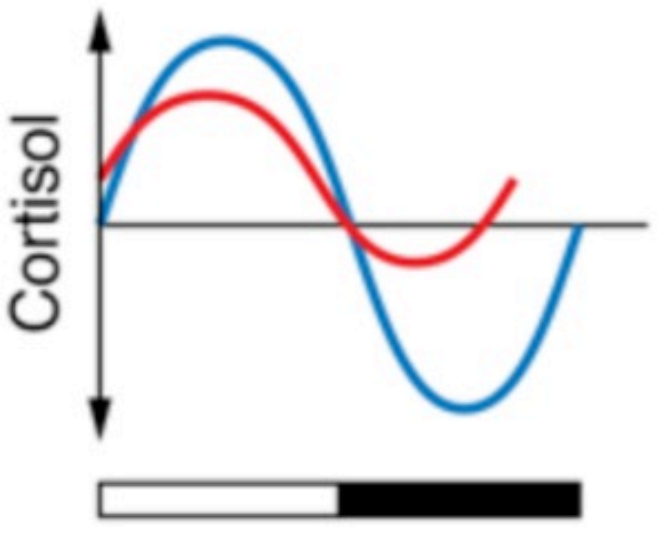
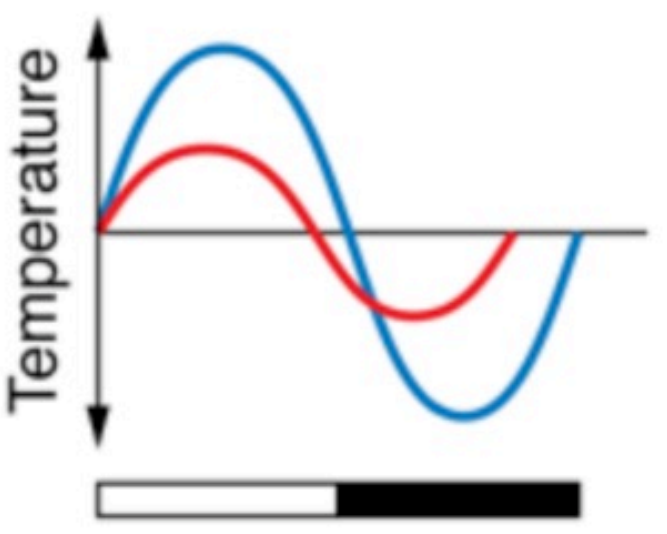
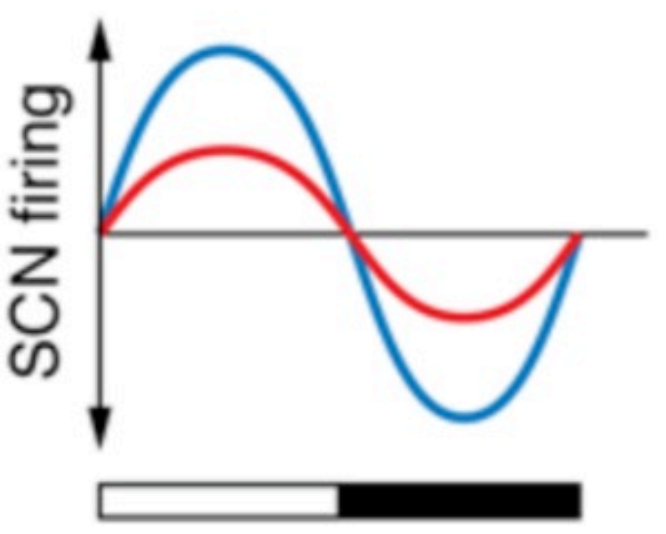
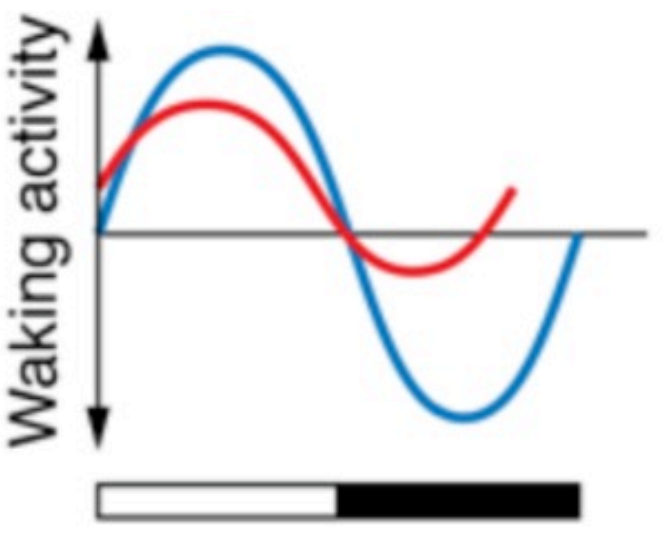
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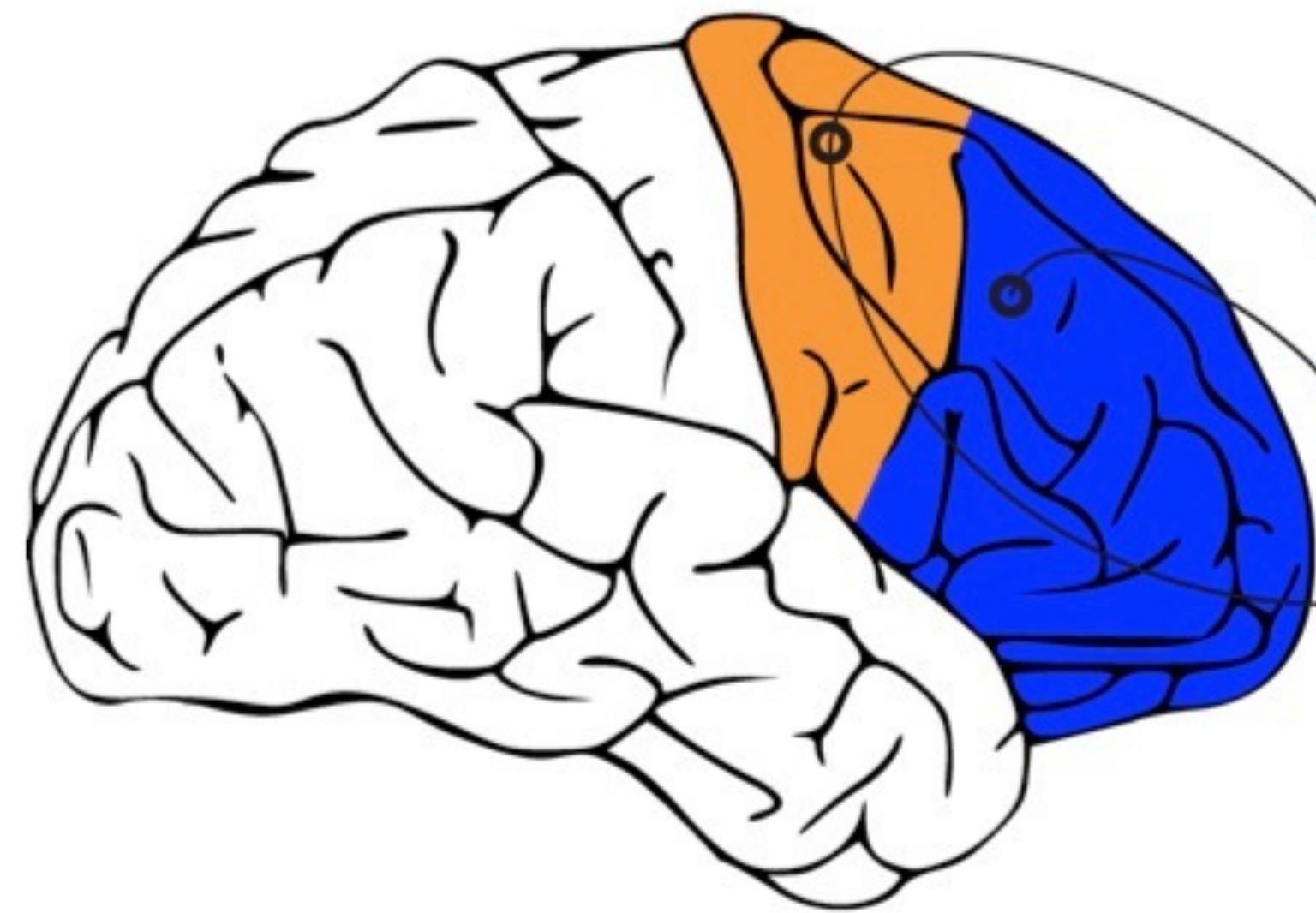
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Rhythms of the Brain!

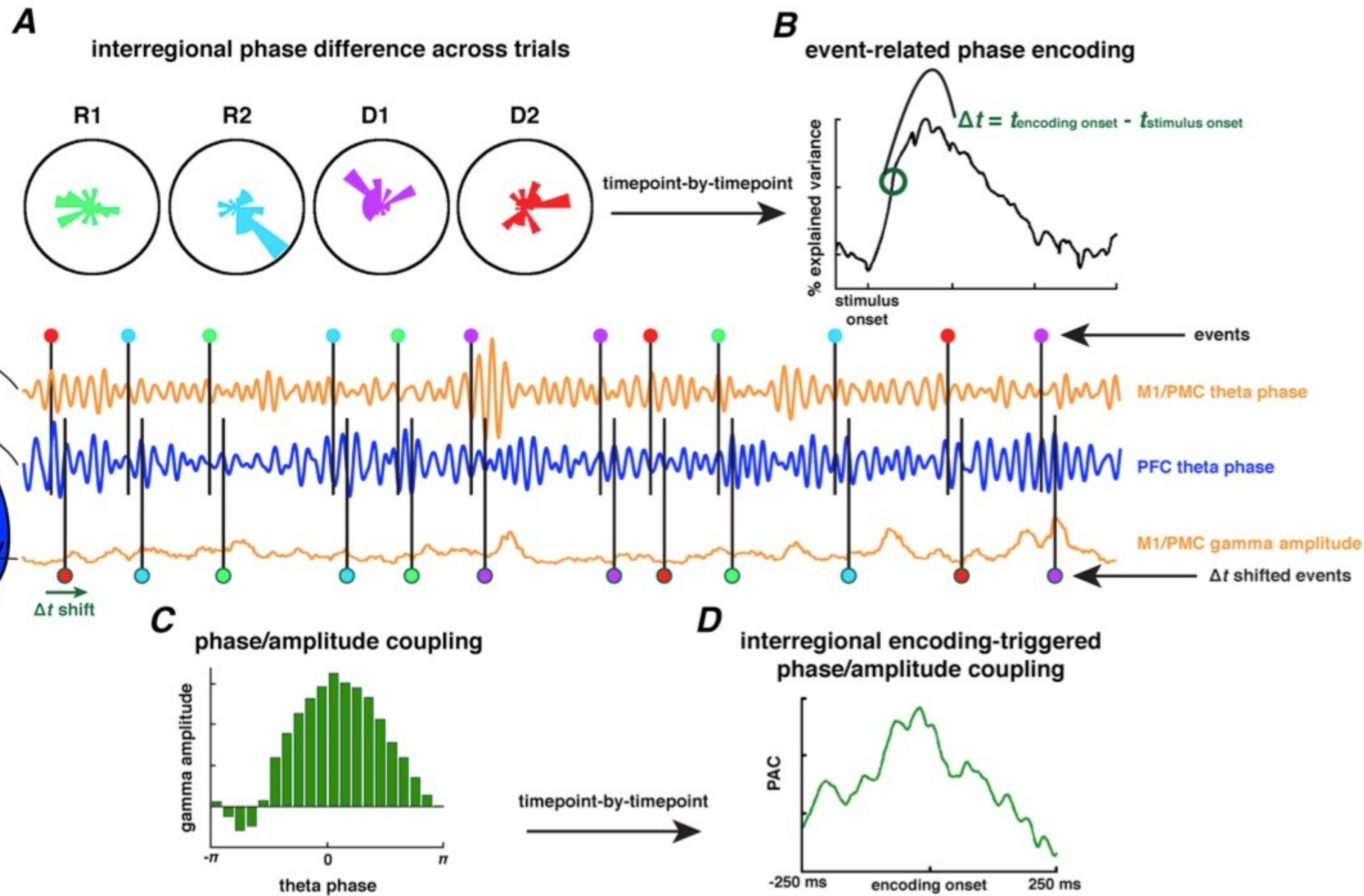
Circadian rhythms



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WARNING!

Electrocorticography



Oscillations in Parkinson's disease

