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Novel Two-dimensional Materials and Devices for Biomimetic Sensing and Computing

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The 2D Revolution

Das. S, et al. Annual Review of Materials Research 45, 1-27, 2015.









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Why 2D?





$$t_{Si} \approx 6 nm$$

$$t_{2D} \approx 0.6 \ nm$$

Smaller Transistors → More Transistors

More Transistors \rightarrow Better Computing





Supercomputers

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Power: 10MW power Size: Football field (10⁹ cm³)

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Power: 20W Size: 10³ cm³ Power: 10MW power Size: Football field (10⁹ cm³)

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Biological Computing







Biological Computing – non Von Neumann





100 billion neurons (computation) 1000 synapses/neuron 100 trillion synapses (memory)

Biomimetic Computing

Natural Super Sensors

Jewel Beetle: Infrared Radiation Bee: Earth's Magnetic Field



Smell

Cognitive Computing

Sensory Computing

Taste

Barn Owl: Superior Audio Sensor

Sound localization in complete darkness with a precision of 1-3^o

Das, et al. Nature Communications, 2019





Path difference results in interaural time difference (ITD)

Source angle (azimuth)= ϑ Head radius = r_H Sound velocity = v_S



Neurons can fire only once in few ms

Neural Architecture transforms temporal coding into spatial coding

Barn Owl: Superior Audio Sensor





<u>Auditory Cortex of Barn Owl</u> NM: Nucleus Magnocellularis NL: Nucleus Laminaris AN: Auditory Nerve Fiber



Barn Owl: Superior Audio Sensor







Coincidence Detector and Map





Analog Computation

Biomimetic Navigational Sensor Supersedes Barn Owl



Locust: Collision Detector

Jayachandran, et al. Nature Electronics 2020



Locust: Collision Detector

LGMD Neuron Ultra-low energy







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Visual Stimulus Mimicking Approaching Object

Jayachandran, et al. Nature Electronics 2020



Collision Detection





Collision Detection

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Growth and fabrication of 2D Nanodevices



Metal Deposition – E-beam *Nanolithography – E-beam*

Stochastic Resonance

Constructive Role of Noise in Sensory Computation

Noise is Nuisance



Noise is Nuisance

Conventional Approach

Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR)
✓ Increase Signal Intensity
✓ Reduce Noise Floor



Conventional Solid-State Sensors



Lock in Amplifier

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	RF IN	LOW NOISE AMPLIFIER BLWC16 3.3GHz - 12GHz SIN: 1234/56789/10		RF OUT
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Hardware Intensive

- Bulky
- Energy Inefficient

Not appropriate for resource constrained IoT sensors deployed in remote and inaccessible locations with limited power supply and hardware resources

Low Noise Amplifier



Noise Filters

Evolutionary success of animals relies on their extraordinary sensory skills that ensure survival in resource constrained environments

Is Noise a Nuisance ?

Locate Prey

Russell, et al. Nature, 1999



Is Noise a Nuisance ?

Douglass, et al. Nature 1993

Escape from Predator

Levin et al. Nature, 1996

Stochastic Resonance is everywhere



What is Stochastic Resonance



Stochastic Resonance in MoS₂ Photodetector

Experimental Set up





Limit of MoS₂ Photodetector

Dodda, et al. Nature Communications, 2020









Stochastic Resonance in MoS₂ Photodetector



SNR and Energy Benefits

Energy Expenditure : ~ 10 nJ



The concept of SR is generic in nature and can be extended to any other sensor including chemical, biological, thermal and radiation sensor

Brain Inspired Computing and Sensing

Natural Super Sensors

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Cognitive Computing

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