

Modeling and Simulation

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Nest desktop: nest-desktop.apps.hbp.eu

NEST Desktop 2.1.1

⚙️ Configurations

Nest Server

Application

Model

Network

Simulation

Visualization

2.1.1

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🗄️ Databases

Model

Simulation

Protocol

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📁 NEST

Server

Simulator

✓

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Start

Configuration

☑️ Application

✓ Model

🔗 Network

⚙️ Simulation

🖼️ Visualization

📁 NEST Server



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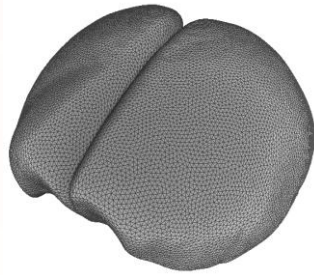


Build a network

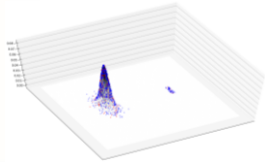


Simulate and analyze

Cortical areas



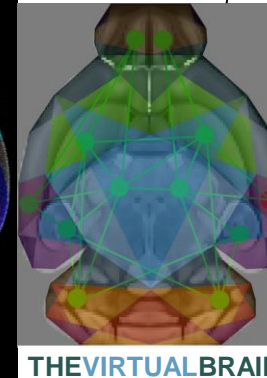
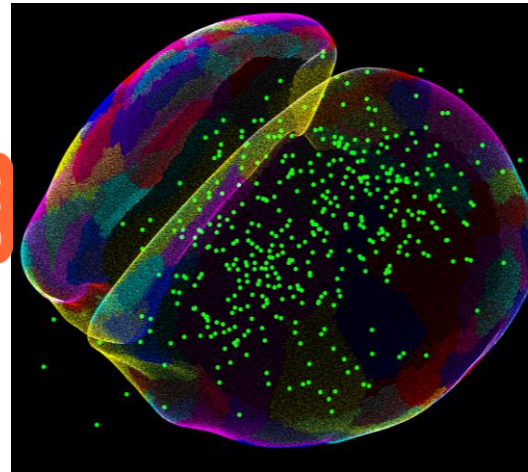
Sheet of neurons



Homogeneous local and heterogeneous connectome links.

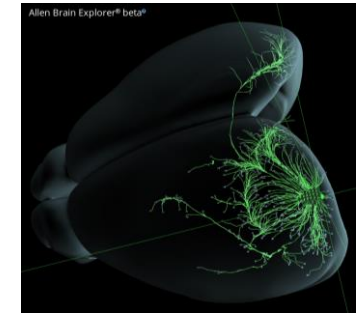
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Mouse brain model with detailed cortex



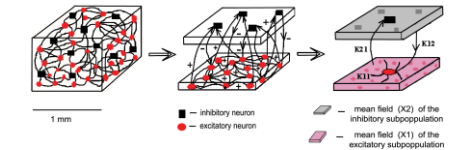
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Subcortical areas

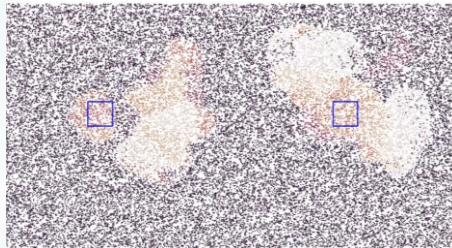


Connectome from experiments

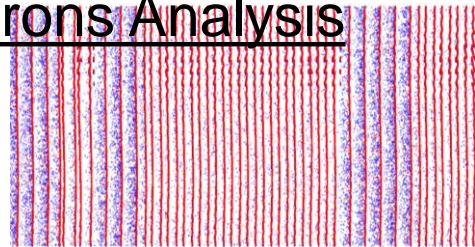
Neural mass model



Spiking Neurons Analysis

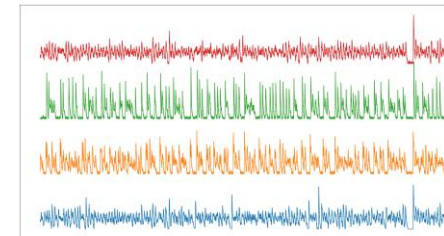


spatial dynamics

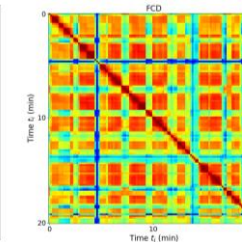


spike trains

Macro Analysis



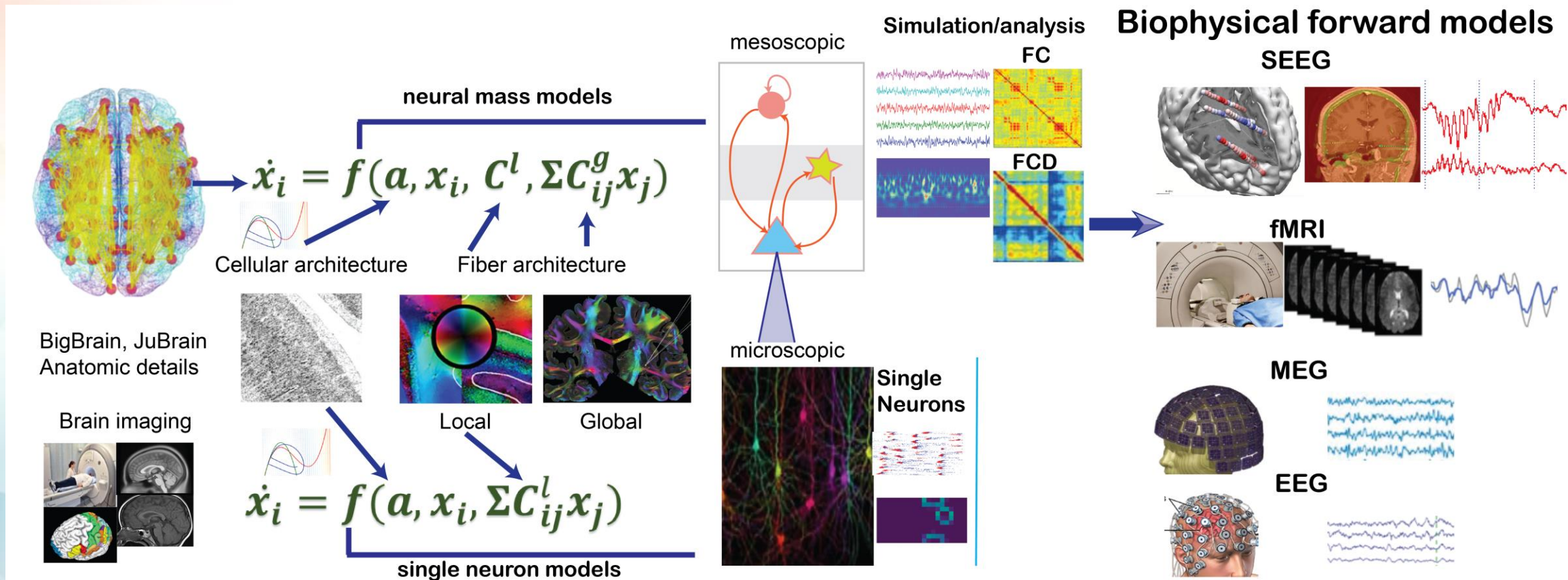
regional activity



functional
connectivity
dynamics

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Integration of human brain atlas and the virtual brain



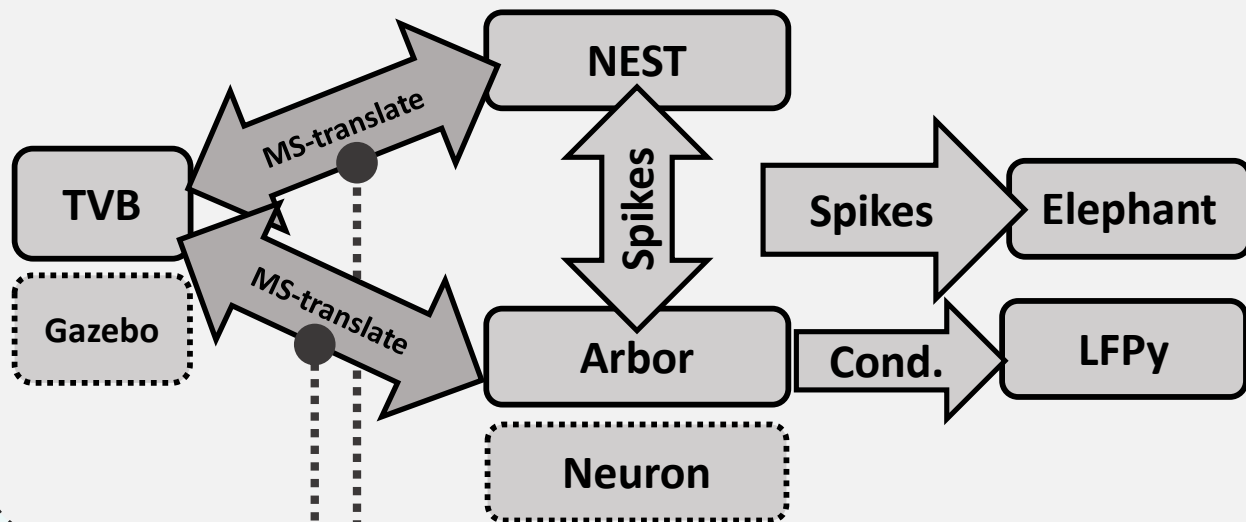
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Multi-simulator co-simulation

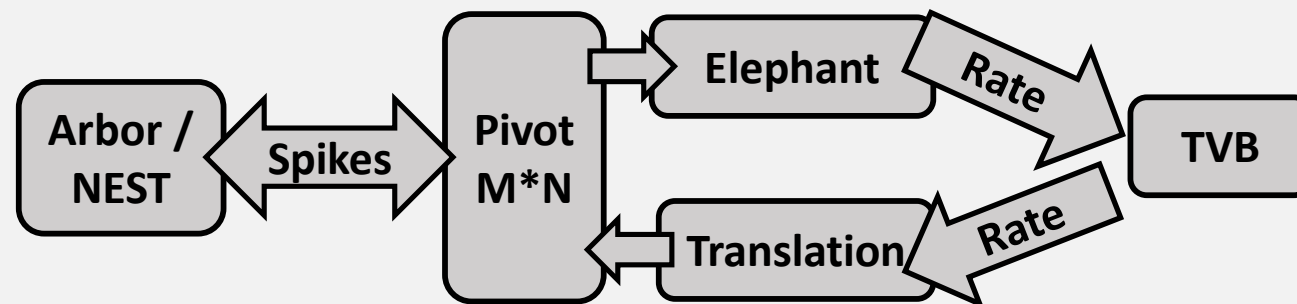
- Brain processes are often inherently multi-scale
- Global brain behavior while depending on local (morphological) details
- Simulate experimental characteristics at the appropriate level.
- Efficient simulation

Multi-simulator co-simulation: lots of moving parts

Multi-scale in-transit co-simulation workflow



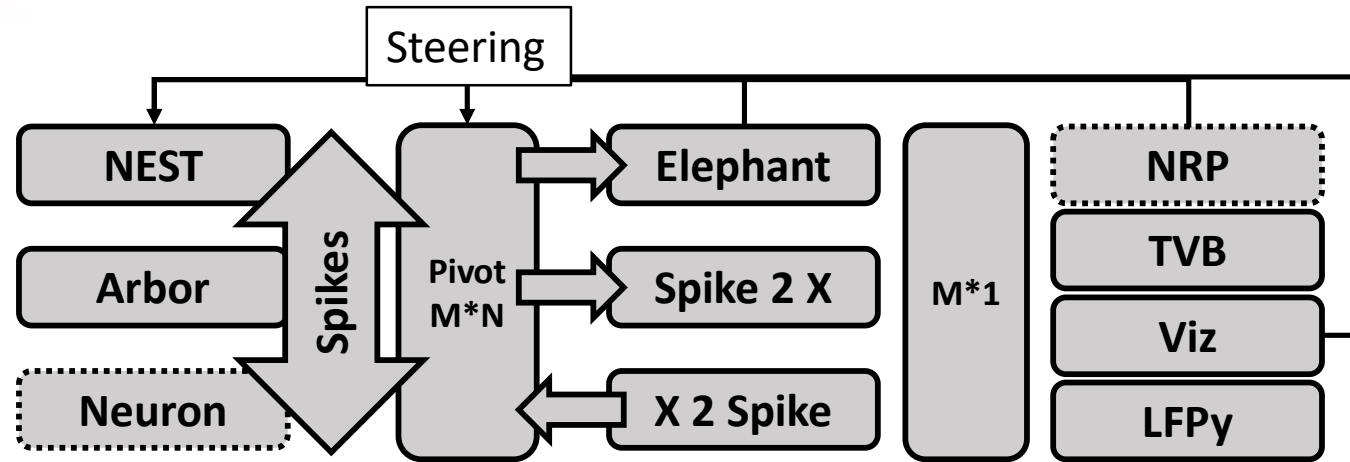
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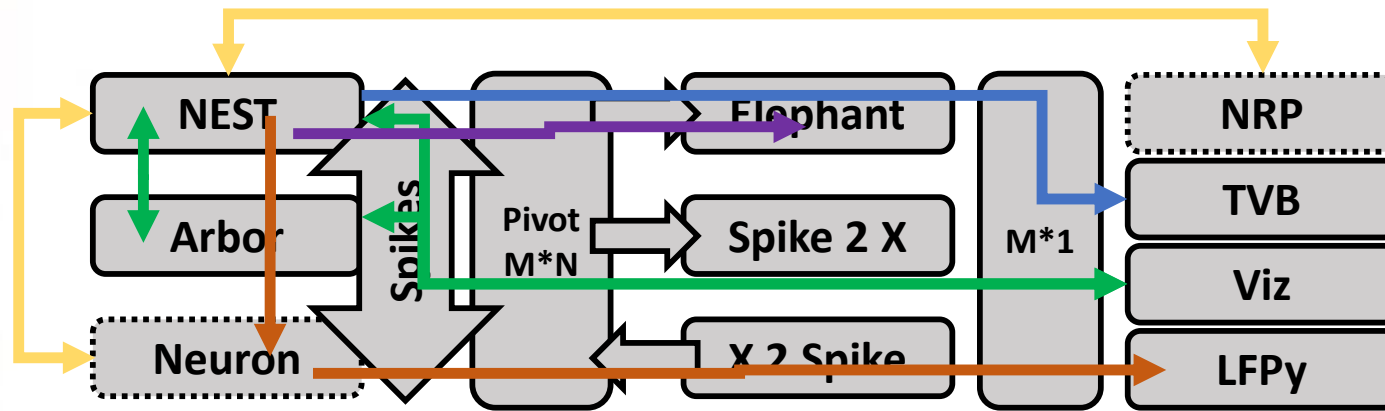
Design choices / constraints




- Exa-scale ready
 - Problem decomposition: modularity
 - Data transport at size is hard
- Static routing and model
 - The connectome is build once, no dynamic ports
 - The full config is known at start of simulation (SONATA)
- Basic steering (init, start, stop, pause)
- Iterative development



Simplified view



Existing POCs



-  2 way NEST to TVB (2 versions: JSC / Aix-Marseille, Charite)
-  2 way Arbor to NEST to Visualization (JSC, CSCS, Aachen, Trier)
-  MUSIC (KTH)

-  High bandwidth online Analytics (JSC, INM6, NMBU)
-  LFPy 1 way Nest to Neuron to Python (JSC, CSCS, NMBU)

Driving use cases 1

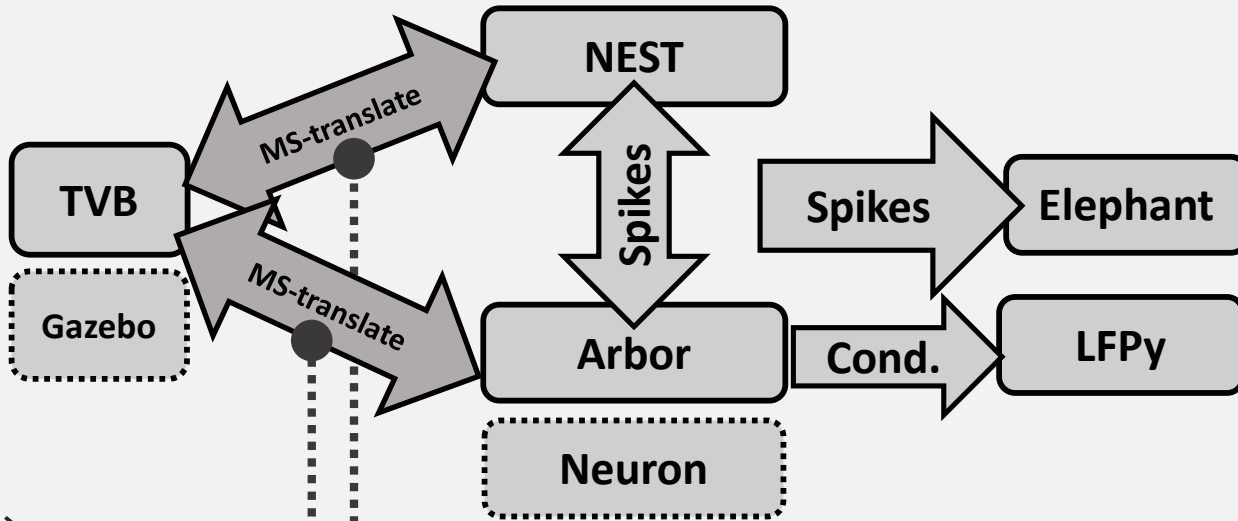
- NEST & TVB two way coupling on HPC
 - Whole-brain behavior constrained by detailed local behavior of selected regions
- NEST-Arbor two-way co-simulation on HPC
 - Higher-level network architecture (NEST) and local behavior of selected regions (Arbor)

Driving use cases 2

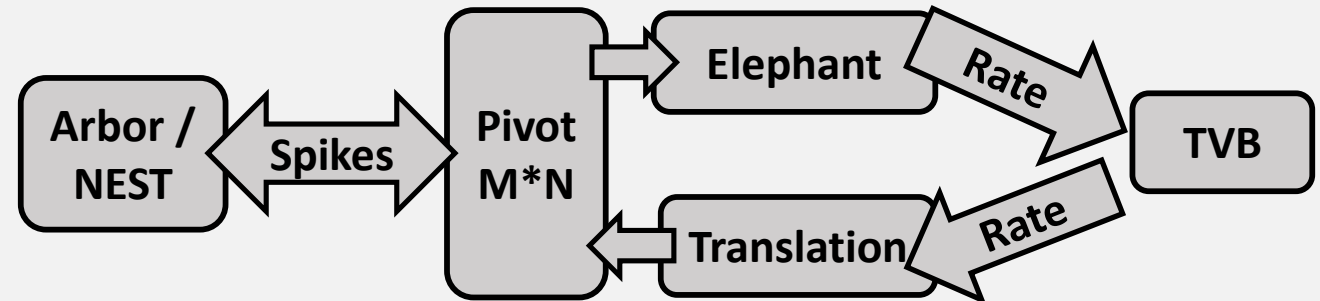
- Data analysis and visualization coupling infrastructure
 - Common APIs and standards: (NEURON, Gazebo)
- LFPy one-way co-simulation,
 - NEST spiking results into a simplified Arbor simulation
 - producing current dipoles,
 - analysis framework to compute LFP & EEG predictions

lots of moving parts

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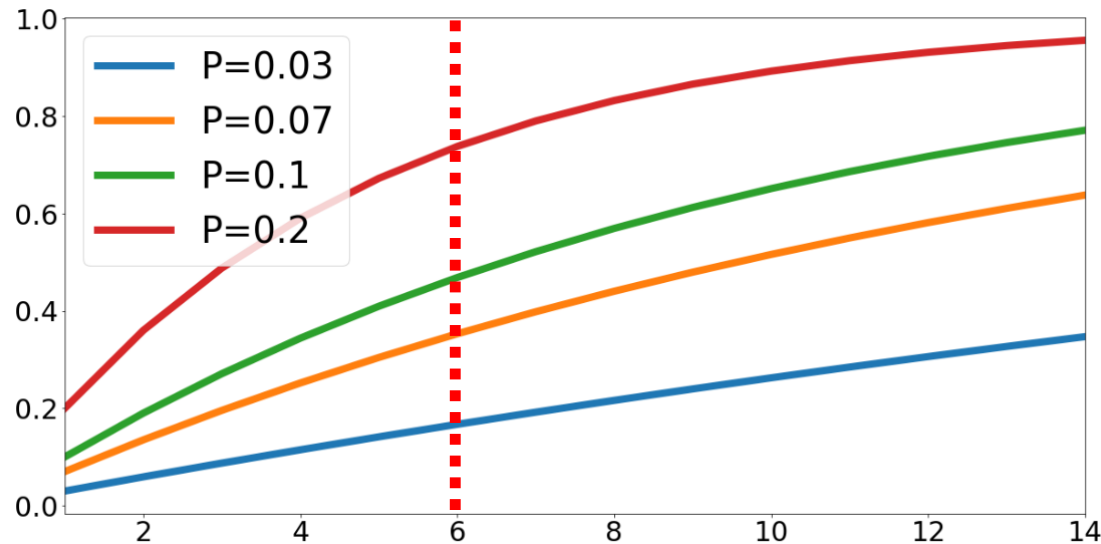


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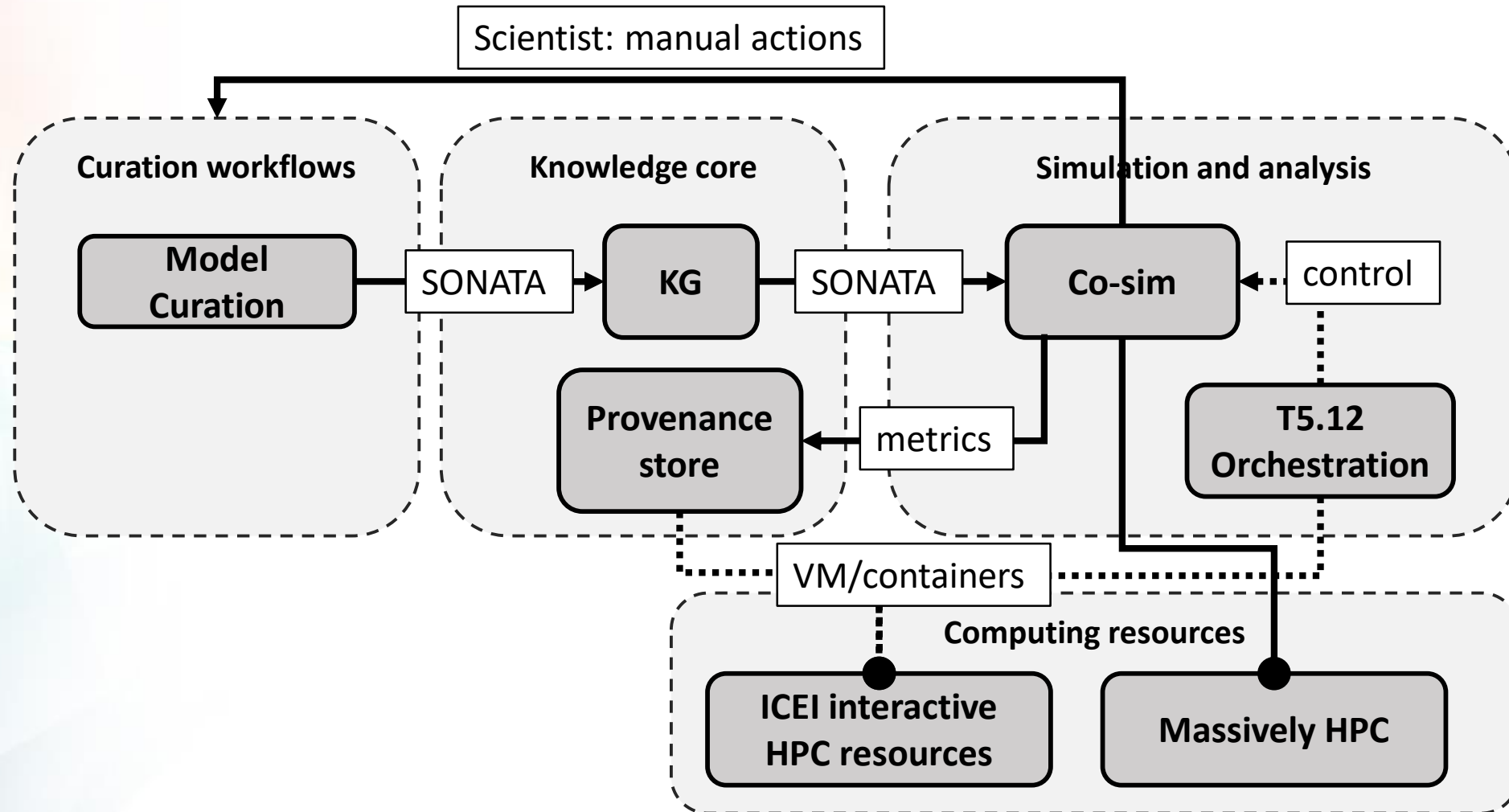
Challenges / opportunities

- Orchestration of 6 or more monolithically application
 - Compounding of error rate: $P(\text{system Failure}) = 1 - \prod(1 - P_i)$



- Translation between scales is an unsolved scientific problem
 - Resource requirements are unknown

Relationship with EBRAINS infrastructure



Co-simulation for modular neuronal architectures

- Modular models of brain areas
 - Specific constraints
 - Optimized
 - Stand alone
- When combining this in one 'single' model
 - Constraints are additive
 - Need for new optimization
 - Replication of code/model at two locations
- Solution: Each model in a simulator instance -> co-simulation

Summary

- NEST desktop: nest-desktop.apps.hbp.eu
- NEST – TVB:
 - Mouse brain model with detailed cortex
 - Integration of human brain atlas and the virtual brain
- Co-simulation
 - Lots of moving parts
 - Iterative & use-case driven development towards exa-scale neuronal simulation
 - Challenges and opportunities

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