MULTIPLE MEMORY SYSTEMS

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DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM EPISODIC VS SEMANTIC MEMORY

- Declarative memory:
 - Memories that can be "declared" or made "explicit"
 - Flexible expression
- Two types
 - Episodic (autobiographical) memory
 - Memory for events, personal experiences
 - Memory of the event is tied to the <u>spatial and</u> <u>temporal context</u> in which it occurs
 - Semantic memory
 - Memory for facts, general knowledge of the world
 - Context-independent

DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM EPISODIC VS SEMANTIC MEMORY

Patient K.C. (interviewed by Endel Tulving)

Episodic memory





Semantic memory



DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM EPISODIC VS SEMANTIC MEMORY

Depend on the medial temporal lobes (hippocampus + parahippocampal region)





NON-DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM HETEROGENEOUS GROUP OF MEMORY ABILITIES

- Different types of memory that cannot be "declared", that cannot be made "verbally explicit"
- Memory is expressed by changes in performance or a change in bias
- Not flexible
 - Tied to the same stimuli and/or responses



Motor skills

Mirror drawing





e.g., concept of countersteering at higher speeds (turning left to go right)

Riding a bike





to start a right turn

Examples of cognitive skills

e.g., mental rotations in gamers



e.g., finding tumors in X-rays



Note: the line is sometimes blurry between "cognitive skills" and "perceptual learning" (see later)

Cognitive skills are thought to involve repeated trial-and-error learning — or stimulus-outcome associations — whereas perceptual learning is thought to develop more gradually and unconsciously

Depend on the striatum (caudate nucleus + putamen)



The Basal Ganglia

Exam:

In what brain disorders are those structures affected (basal ganglia)? How would you expect such patients to perform on tests of skill learning?

In addition, your book makes the distinction between actions and habits



Figure 18.3

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If devaluing the outcome has an effect, then the behavior is an <u>action</u>

If it does <u>not</u> have an effect, then the behavior is a <u>habit</u>



NON-DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM PRIMING AND PERCEPTUAL LEARNING

Priming: Exposure to one stimulus influences the response to another stimulus

Example 1: "NURSE" is recognized more quickly following "DOCTOR" than following "BREAD"

Example 2: recognizing picture fragments



Perceptual learning:

The more experience you have with some aspect of sensory processing, the better you'll be at it (see also "cognitive skills" earlier)

NON-DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM PRIMING AND PERCEPTUAL LEARNING

Depend on many cortical areas





Adapted from Squire (1992)

NON-DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM CLASSICAL CONDITIONING (PAVLOV, 1927)



- Involves the pairing of a stimulus of innate significance (Unconditioned Stimulus; US) with a neutral stimulus (Conditioned Stimulus; CS)
- The CS will then elicit a Conditioned Response (CR) that is similar to the Unconditioned Response (UR)

NON-DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM CLASSICAL CONDITIONING IN POPULAR CULTURE







NON-DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM CLASSICAL CONDITIONING (PAVLOV, 1927)

Some famous examples (there are many others)

Fear conditioning



Depends on the amygdala

Eyeblink conditioning



Depends on the cerebellum

NON-DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM CLASSICAL CONDITIONING (PAVLOV, 1927)

Fear conditioning

(A) Hippocampal Amygdala formation (B) Amygdala

Eyeblink conditioning



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NON-DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM NONASSOCIATIVE LEARNING



Eric Kandel

Habituation

 Process by which you have a decrease in psychological and behavioral response to a stimulus after repeated exposure to that stimulus over a duration of time

• e.g., you learn to ignore a new noise if nothing bad happens

Sensitization

- Process by which you have an amplification of a response after repeated administrations of a stimulus.
 - e.g., rubbing in the same spot

NON-DECLARATIVE MEMORY SYSTEM NONASSOCIATIVE LEARNING

Habituation and sensitization are studied extensively in Aplysia





Dr. Kandel received the 2000 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine (with Arvid Carlsson and Paul Greengard) for his research on the physiological basis of memory storage in neurons

MULTIPLE MEMORY SYSTEMS WHICH ONES DO WE USE AND WHEN?

- We are using all of them simultaneous to encode information in parallel
- When we recall info, the systems compete. One of the systems will "win" in each particular situation.
- Examples of multiple memory systems at work

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Inactivation of Hippocampus or Caudate Nucleus with Lidocaine Differentially Affects Expression of Place and Response Learning

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MULTIPLE MEMORY SYSTEMS WHICH ONES DO WE USE AND WHEN?

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Packard & McGaugh 1996



Rats go to <u>same side of room</u> (unless hippocampus is inactivated) Rats make a <u>left turn</u> (unless striatum is inactivated)