

Introduction to Bioengineering

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Week 5 reprise

CONCEPT
SKILL

DNA sequencing (reading)

- Sequencing-by-synthesis; pore-based

DNA synthesis (writing)

- Phosphoramidite chemistry for low-error rates

Surfing exponentials

- Quantitative change poses, “when’s the right time?”

Interconvertibility of matter and information

- DNA R/W together enabling networked bio/technology

Team rules & priority-setting tools

- Impact versus effort; get projects on leading-edge curve

Week 6 look ahead

CONCEPT
SKILL

Diffusion of molecules (space, time, abundances)

Programming patterns in autonomous systems

Programming patterns in living systems

[Team Project]

- Brainstorms (three themes)
- Team Rules

A
BRIEF ACCOUNT
OF
MICROSCOPICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made in the Months of June, July, and August, 1827,

ON THE PARTICLES CONTAINED IN THE
POLLEN OF PLANTS;

AND

ON THE GENERAL EXISTENCE OF ACTIVE
MOLECULES

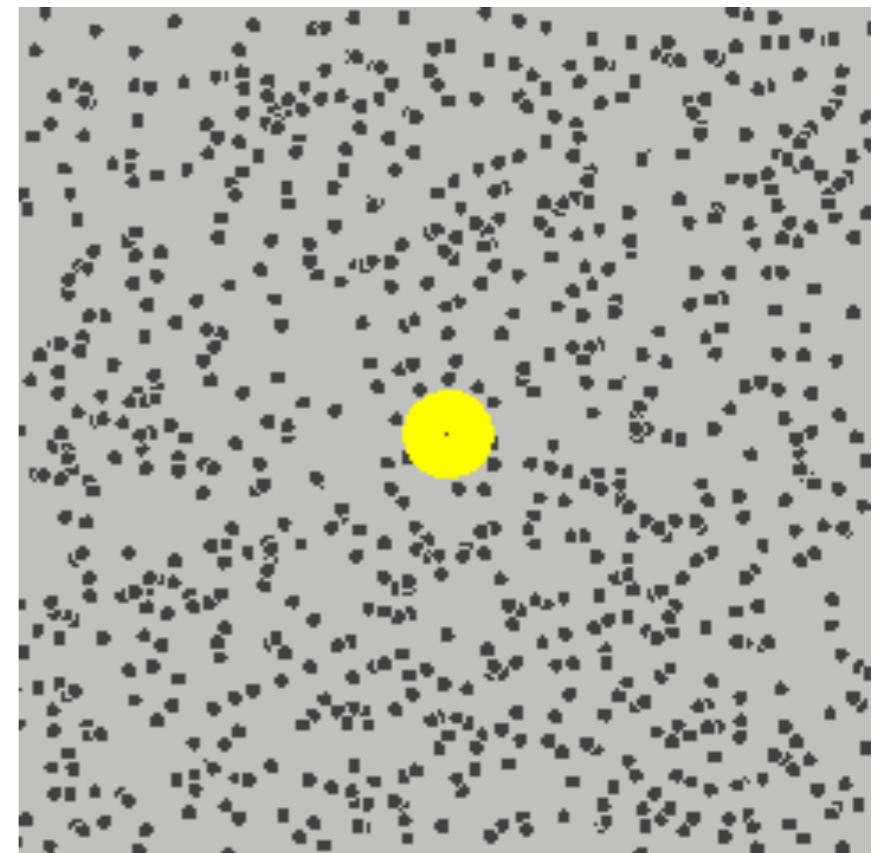
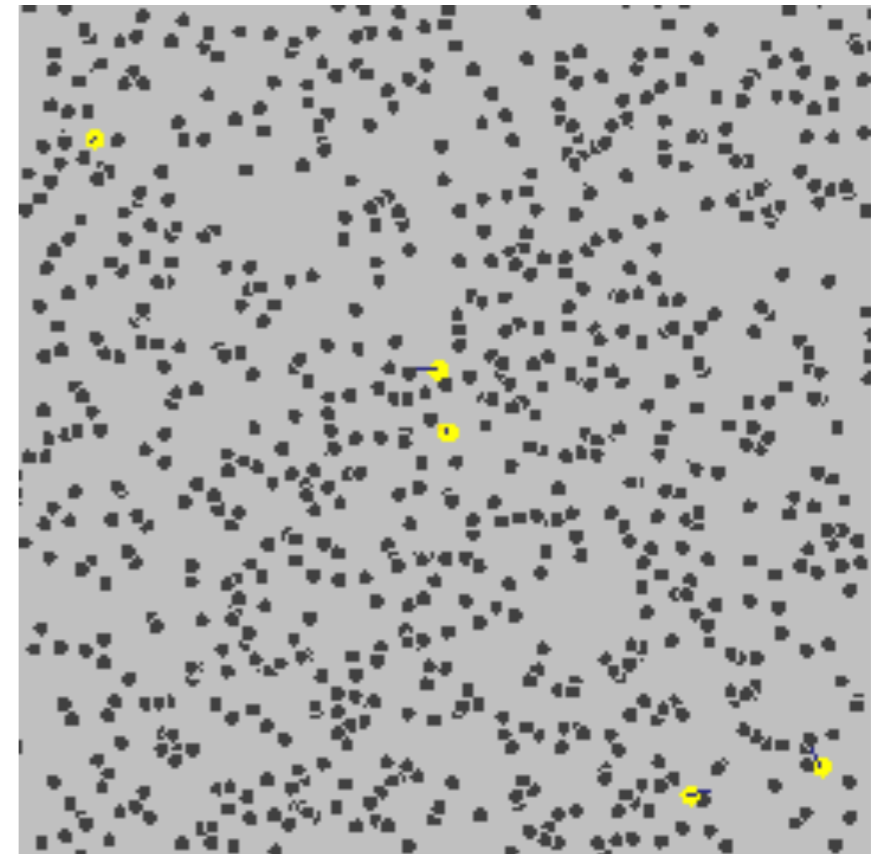
IN ORGANIC AND INORGANIC BODIES.

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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brownian_motion

<http://sciweb.nybg.org/science2/pdfs/dws/Brownian.pdf>

$$\langle x^2 \rangle^{1/2} = (2Dt)^{1/2},$$

1D

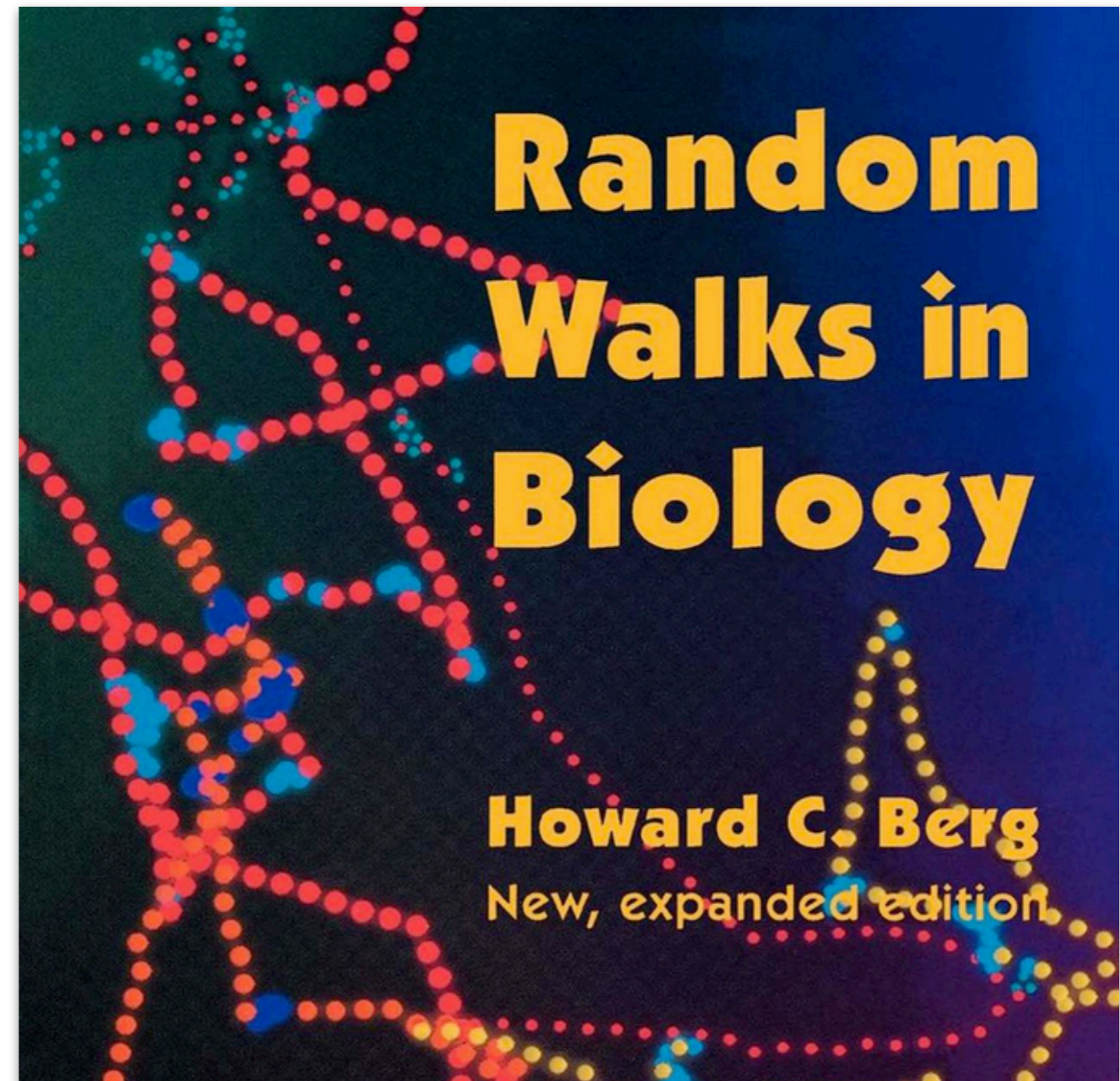
$$\langle r^2 \rangle = 4Dt.$$

2D

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = 6Dt.$$

3D

$$D = \frac{k_B T}{6\pi\eta \cdot R}$$



<https://www.jstor.org/stable/j.ctv7r40w6>

To go twice as far takes four times as long.
A particle that is twice as big, R , goes ~ 0.7 as far.

Diffusing particles spread out over time.

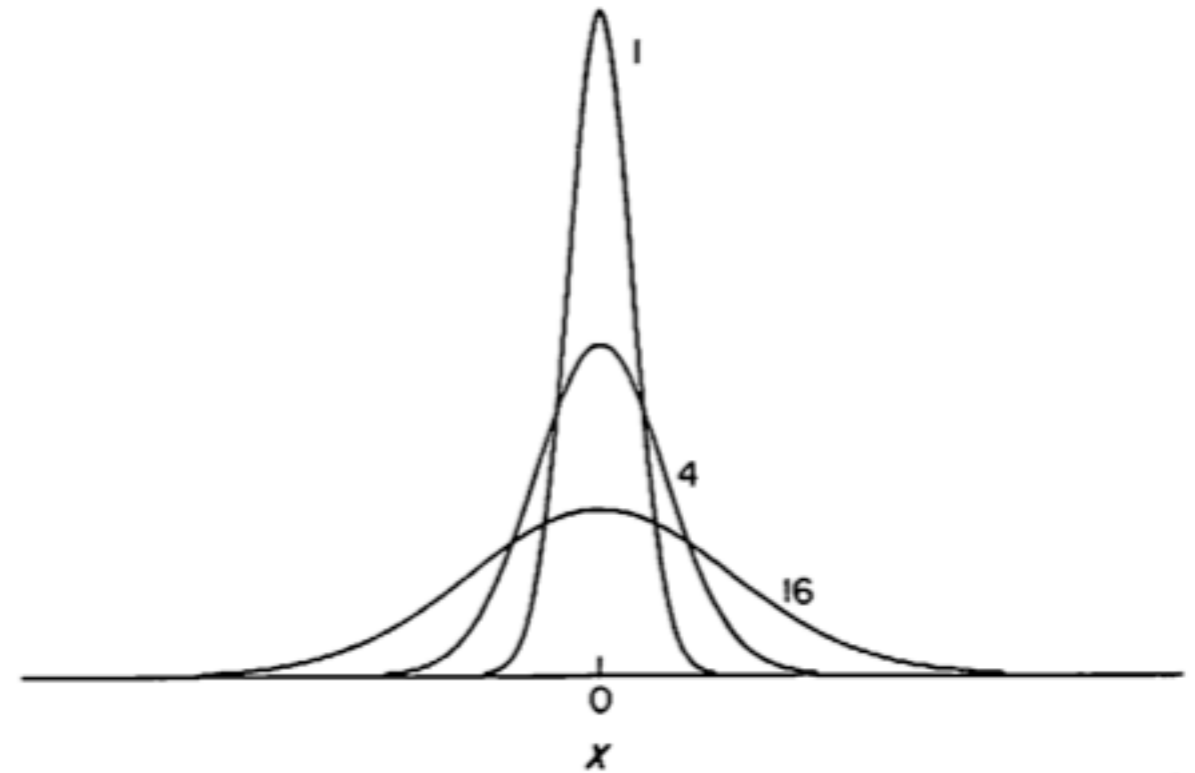
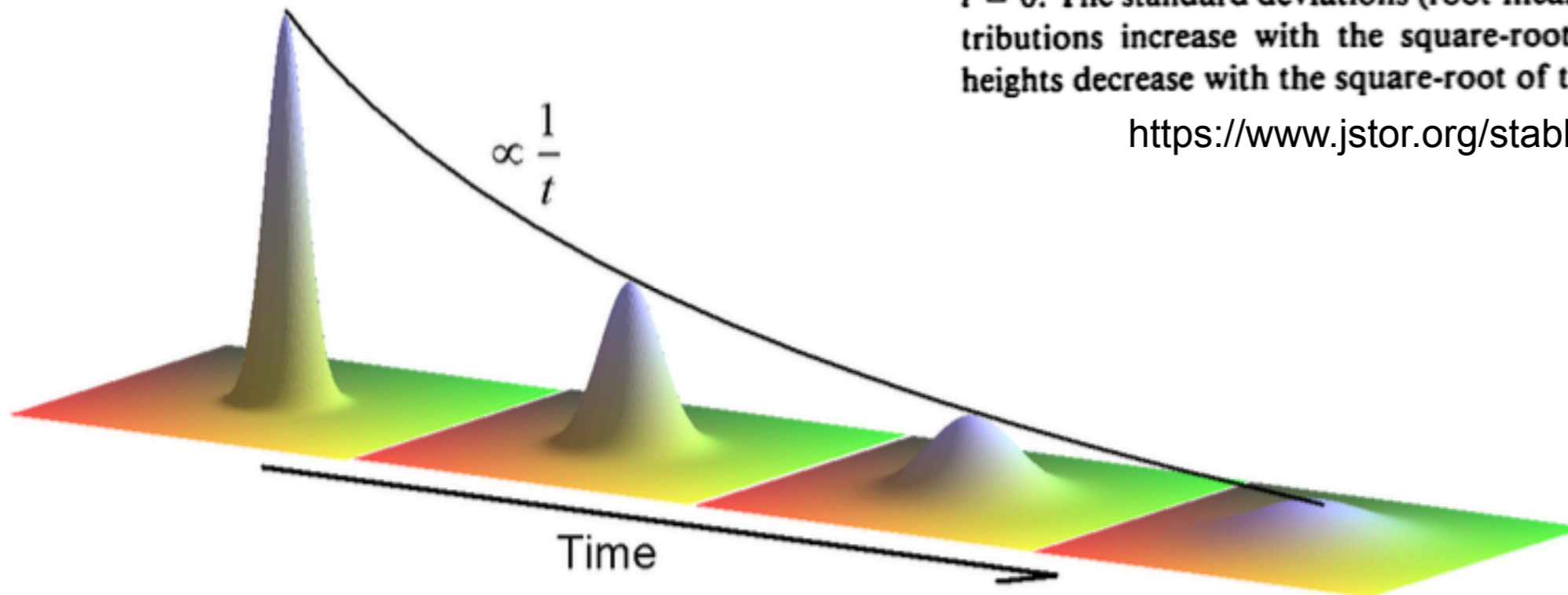


Fig. 1.3. The probability of finding particles at different points x at times $t = 1, 4,$ and 16 . The particles start out at position $x = 0$ at time $t = 0$. The standard deviations (root-mean-square widths) of the distributions increase with the square-root of the time. Their peak heights decrease with the square-root of the time. See Eq. 1.22.

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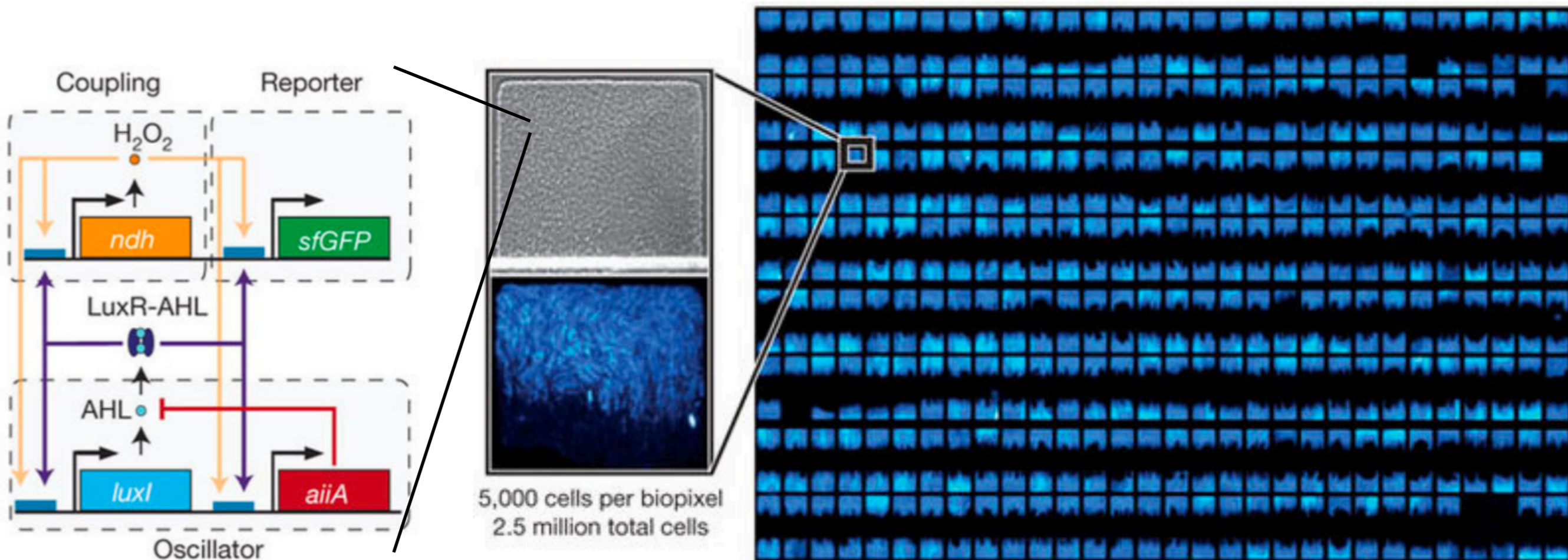


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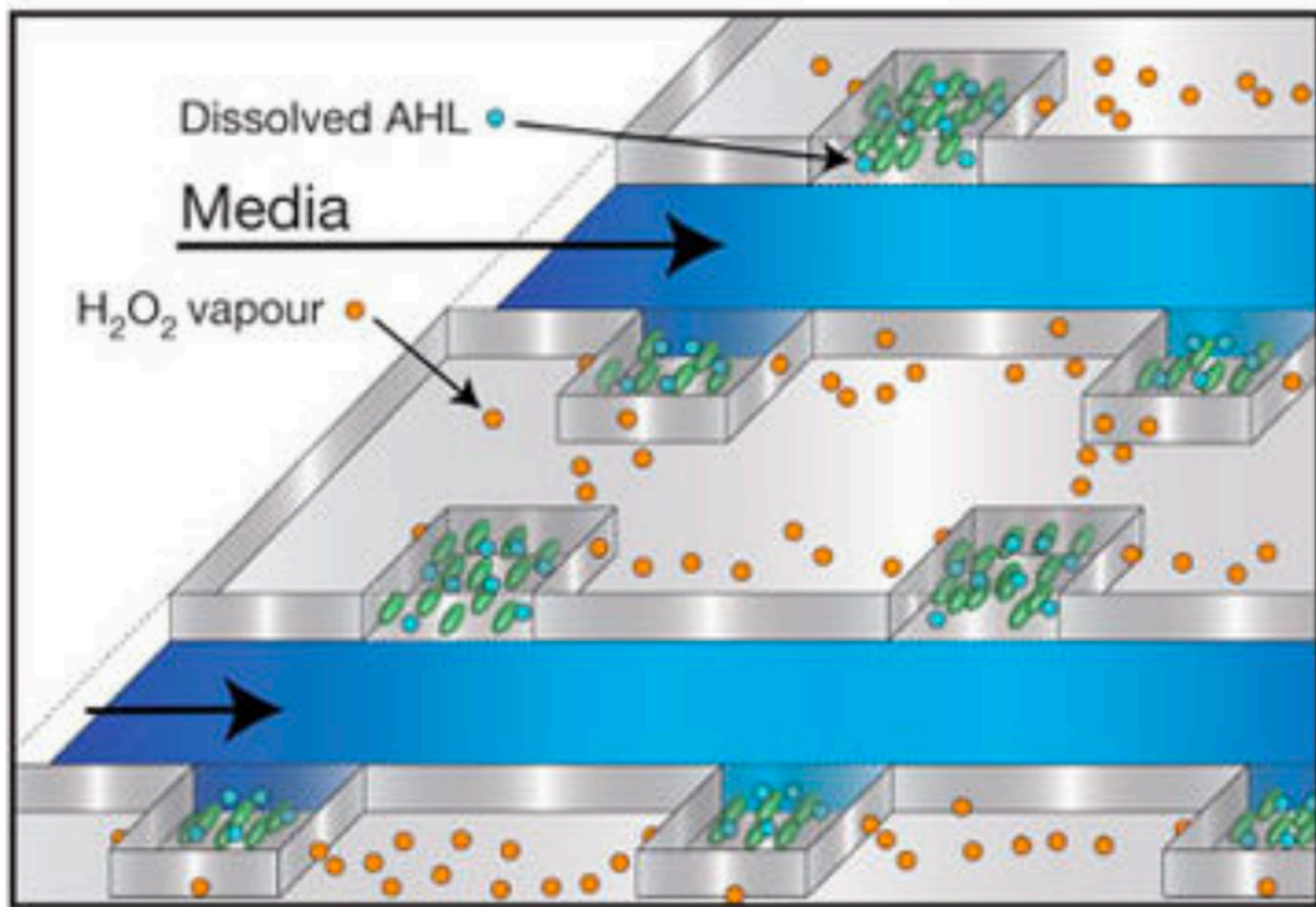
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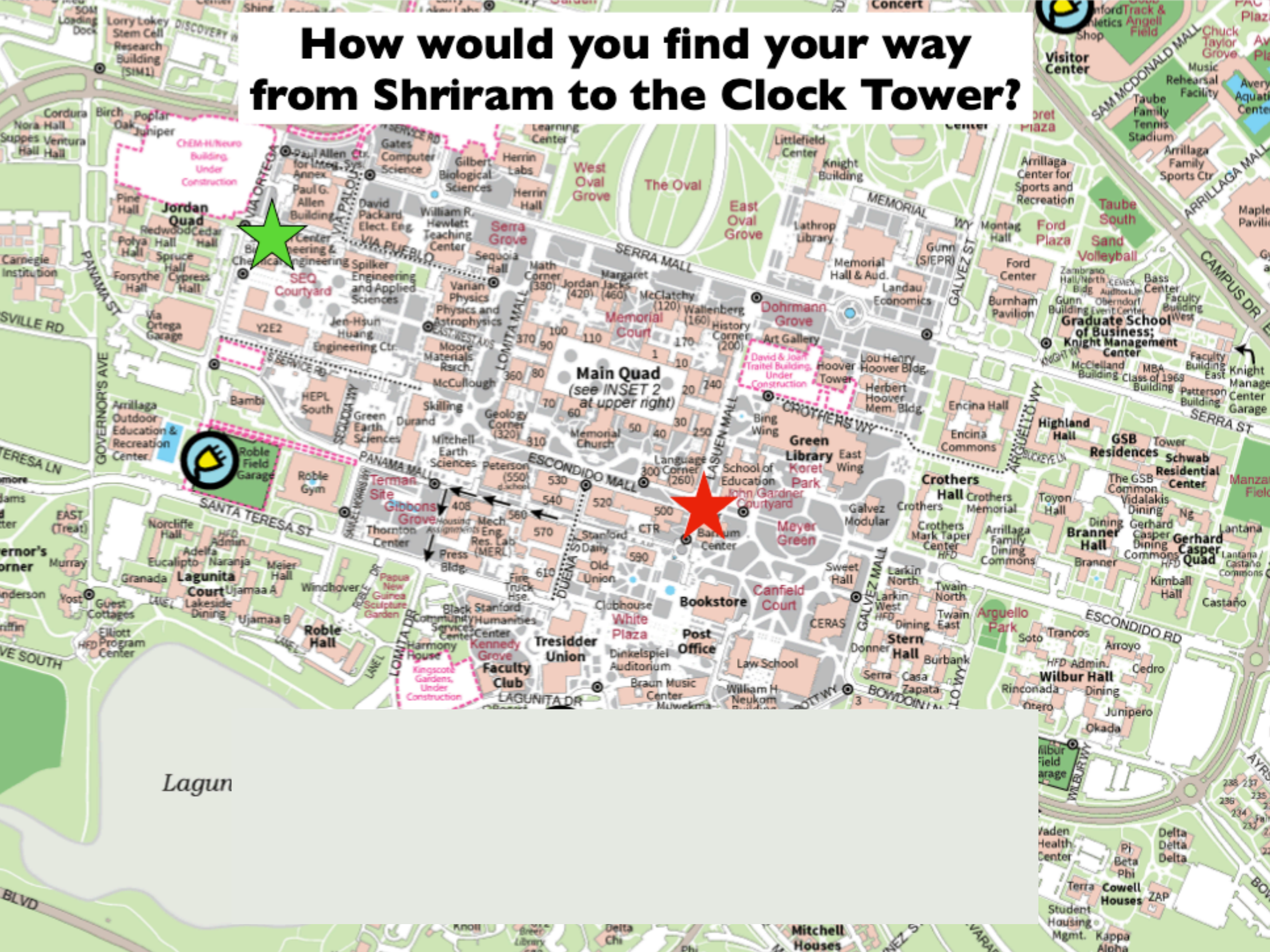
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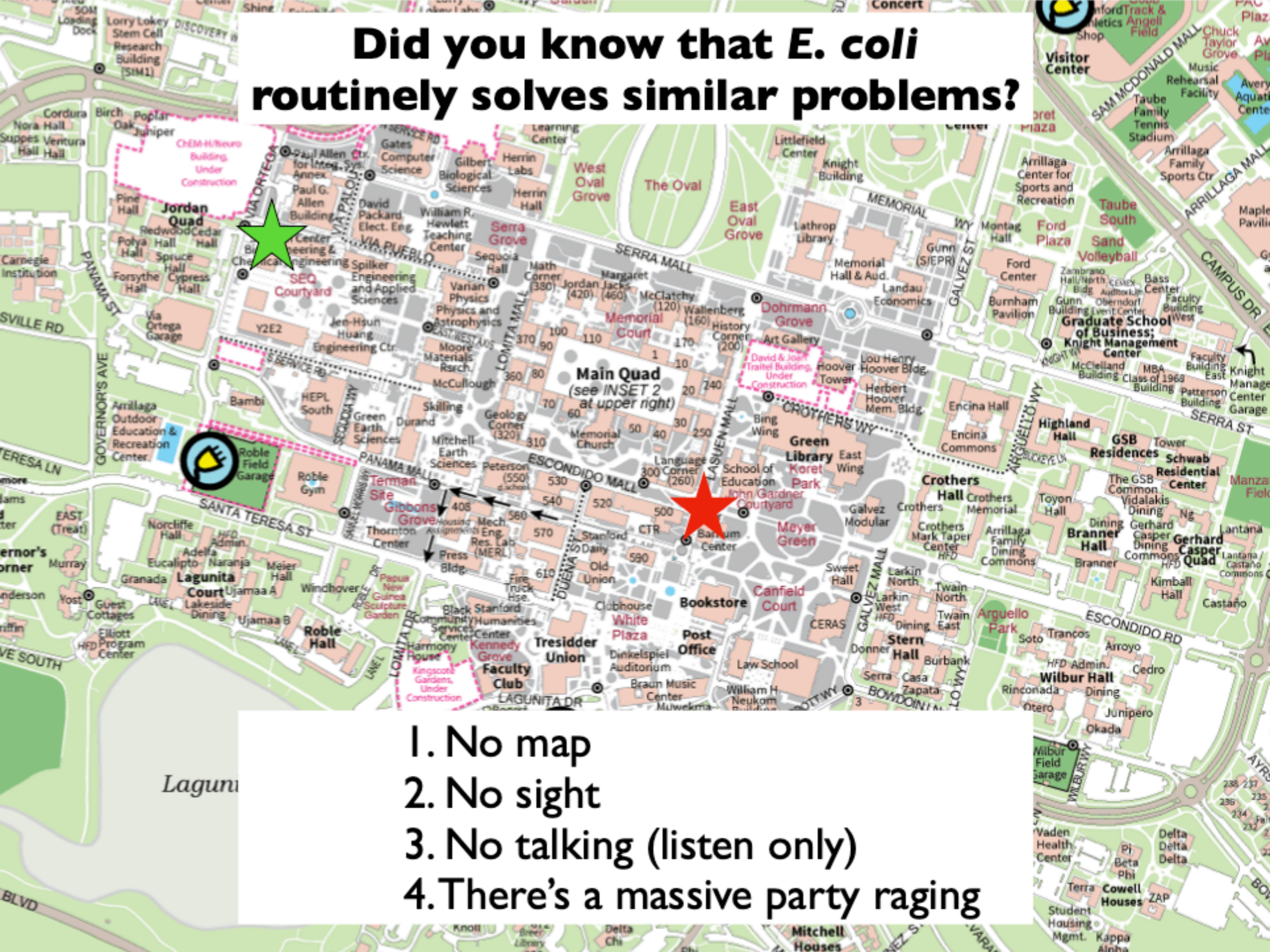
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How would you find your way from Shriram to the Clock Tower?



Did you know that *E. coli* routinely solves similar problems?



1. No map
2. No sight
3. No talking (listen only)
4. There's a massive party raging

Bacterial cells
swimming near a
glass surface, then
above the surface

