

Supporting Information

**Self-programming Synaptic Resistor Circuit for Intelligent Systems**

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### Spike-timing-dependent plasticity learning algorithm in a neurological network

In a neural network, the matrix of synaptic weights (conductances),  $\mathbf{w}$ , is modified in parallel based on synaptic spike-timing-dependent plasticity<sup>[1]</sup> (STDP), which can be expressed as  $\dot{\mathbf{w}} = \alpha \mathbf{z} \otimes \mathbf{x}$  (Equation 2), where  $\mathbf{x}$  denotes voltage pulses in the presynaptic neurons, and  $\mathbf{z}$  is a function of  $\mathbf{y}$  that represents voltage pulses in the postsynaptic neurons,

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y} * \tilde{\theta} \quad (\text{S1})$$

where  $\mathbf{y} * \tilde{\theta} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\theta}(t - t') \mathbf{y}(t') dt'$  with  $\tilde{\theta}(t) = \begin{cases} -e^{t/\tau_-} / \tau_- & \text{when } t < 0 \\ 0 & \text{when } t = 0, \text{ and the time} \\ e^{-t/\tau_+} / \tau_+ & \text{when } t > 0 \end{cases}$

constants  $\tau_+ > 0$  and  $\tau_- > 0$ .  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{\theta}(t) dt = 0$ , thus  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{z}(t) dt = 0$ . By substituting  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y} *$

$$\tilde{\theta} \text{ (Equation S1) in Equation 2, } \dot{w}_{nm} = \sum_{t_n} \begin{cases} -\alpha x_m(t) e^{\frac{t-t_n}{\tau_-}} / \tau_- & \text{when } t < t_n \\ 0 & \text{when } t = t_n, \text{ where } t_n \\ \alpha x_m(t) e^{-\frac{t-t_n}{\tau_+}} / \tau_+ & \text{when } t > t_n \end{cases}$$

denotes the moment  $t_n$  when a voltage pulse is triggered from the  $n^{\text{th}}$  postsynaptic “neuron”,  $\alpha > 0$  for STDP, and  $\alpha < 0$  for anti-STDP.

### Modeling and analysis of self-programming processes

The goal of the self-programming process is to modify the system state,  $\mathbf{F}$ , toward the desired system state,  $\hat{\mathbf{F}}$ , and minimize the objective function  $E = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{F} - \hat{\mathbf{F}})^2$ . When  $\mathbf{F} = \hat{\mathbf{F}}$ ,  $E = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = 0$ , and  $\dot{\mathbf{w}} = \alpha \mathbf{z} \otimes \mathbf{x} = 0$  (Equation 2),  $\mathbf{w}$  reaches an equilibrium value  $\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{w}} E$ .

By assuming  $\mathbf{w} = \hat{\mathbf{w}}$  when  $t = t_e$ , thus  $\mathbf{w}(0) - \hat{\mathbf{w}} = -\int_0^{t_e} \alpha \mathbf{z} \otimes \mathbf{x} dt$  when  $t = t_e$ , and  $\mathbf{w}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{w}} = -\int_t^{t_e} \alpha \mathbf{z} \otimes \mathbf{x} dt$ . Although  $\mathbf{w}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$  were not directly measured experimentally,

the relative deviation of  $\mathbf{w}$  from  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$  can be derived from  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{z}$  signals recorded in the SNIC experiments,

$$\Delta \mathbf{w}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{w}(t) - \hat{\mathbf{w}}}{|\mathbf{w}(0) - \hat{\mathbf{w}}|} = - \frac{\int_0^{t_e} \alpha \mathbf{z} \otimes \mathbf{x} dt}{\left| \int_0^{t_e} \alpha \mathbf{z} \otimes \mathbf{x} dt \right|} \approx - \frac{\int_0^{t_e} \mathbf{z} \otimes \mathbf{x} dt}{\left| \int_0^{t_e} \mathbf{z} \otimes \mathbf{x} dt \right|} \quad (\text{S2})$$

In the human experiments,  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  signals were recorded,  $\mathbf{z}$  was derived from  $\mathbf{y}$  based on Equation S1, and the effective  $\Delta \mathbf{w}$  was also derived from Equation S2.

In the self-programming process, the change of  $\mathbf{w}$  leads to the change of output signals  $\mathbf{y}$ , which modifies the objective function  $E$ . Without loss of generality, the objective function  $E$  can be expressed as,<sup>[2]</sup>

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{g}^{E/w} \circ \Delta \mathbf{w}^2 + \delta[\Delta \mathbf{w}^3] \quad (\text{S3})$$

where  $\mathbf{g}^{E/w} \circ \Delta \mathbf{w}^2$  denotes the Hadamard product between  $\mathbf{g}^{E/w}$  and  $\Delta \mathbf{w}^2$  with  $\mathbf{g}^{E/w} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$  and  $\mathbf{g}^{E/w} \geq 0$ , and  $\delta[\Delta \mathbf{w}^3]$  contains higher order terms of  $\Delta \mathbf{w}^k$  with  $k \geq 3$ . When  $\Delta \mathbf{w}$  approaches zero,  $\delta[\Delta \mathbf{w}^3]$  can be omitted, and the average  $E$  over a self-programming period,  $\langle E \rangle \approx \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{g}^{E/w} \circ \Delta \mathbf{w}^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} g^{E/w} \langle \Delta \mathbf{w} \rangle^2 + \frac{1}{2} g^{E/w} \langle \Delta \hat{\mathbf{w}} \rangle^2 = \frac{1}{2} g^{E/w} \langle \Delta \mathbf{w} \rangle^2 + E_{eq}$ , which was best-fitted by the experimental data of  $\langle E \rangle$  and  $\Delta \mathbf{w}$  to extrapolate  $g^{E/w}$  and  $E_{eq}$ , and displayed in Figure 3 and 4.

In the self-programming process,  $\mathbf{w}$  is modified by following Equation 2,  $\dot{\mathbf{w}} = \alpha \mathbf{z} \otimes \mathbf{x}$ . By substituting  $\mathbf{z}$  in Equation 2 by  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y} * \tilde{\theta}$  Equation 4,  $\dot{\mathbf{w}} = \alpha (\tilde{\theta} * \mathbf{y}) \otimes \mathbf{x}$ . In neuron circuits,  $\mathbf{y}$  is a monotonically increasing nonlinear function of  $\mathbf{I}$ , and  $\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{w} \mathbf{x}$  Equation 1, thus  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{I}) = f^y(\mathbf{w} \mathbf{x})$ . By substituting  $\mathbf{y}$  in  $\dot{\mathbf{w}}$  by  $\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{w} \mathbf{x})$ ,  $\dot{\mathbf{w}} = \alpha [\tilde{\theta} * \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{w} \mathbf{x})] \otimes \mathbf{x}$ , and the modification rate of  $\Delta \mathbf{w}$  over a self-programming period<sup>[2]</sup>,

$$\Delta \dot{\mathbf{w}} = -\boldsymbol{\beta} \circ \Delta \mathbf{w} + \delta \mathbf{w} \quad (\text{S4})$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\beta} \circ \Delta \mathbf{w}$  denotes the Hadamard product between  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  and  $\Delta \mathbf{w}$  with  $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\beta} \geq 0$ , and  $\delta \mathbf{w}$  contains the higher order terms of  $\Delta \mathbf{w}^k$  with  $k \geq 2$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ .  $\Delta \mathbf{w}$  can be extrapolated based on Equation S2, and  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  can be derived by best-fitting  $\Delta \mathbf{w}$  and  $\Delta \dot{\mathbf{w}}$  to Equation S4. The derived  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  are shown versus  $\langle \Delta \dot{\mathbf{w}} \rangle$  at the initial self-programming state in Figure 4a. The solution of Equation S4 gives,

$$\Delta \mathbf{w} = \Delta \mathbf{w}(0)e^{-\boldsymbol{\beta}t} + \delta \mathbf{w} * e^{-\boldsymbol{\beta}t} \quad (\text{S5})$$

where  $\delta \mathbf{w} * e^{-\boldsymbol{\beta}t}$  represent the convolution between  $\delta \mathbf{w}$  and  $e^{-\boldsymbol{\beta}t}$ . When  $\boldsymbol{\beta}t \gg 1$ ,  $\langle \Delta \mathbf{w} \rangle \approx 0$ , and  $\langle \mathbf{w} \rangle \approx \langle \hat{\mathbf{w}} \rangle$ , thus  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  represents the speed to modify  $\mathbf{w}$  toward  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ .

In the self-programming process, the change of  $\mathbf{w}$  leads to the change of the objective function  $E$ . Based on Equation S3, the change rate of average objective function  $\langle \dot{E} \rangle = \mathbf{g}^{E/w} \circ \langle \Delta \mathbf{w} \circ \Delta \dot{\mathbf{w}} \rangle + \delta[\Delta \mathbf{w}^2 \circ \Delta \dot{\mathbf{w}}] + \left. \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial t} \right|_{\Delta \mathbf{w}}$ . Substituting  $\Delta \dot{\mathbf{w}}$  in  $\dot{E}$  by Equation S4 yields,  $\langle \dot{E} \rangle = -\mathbf{g}^{E/w} \circ \boldsymbol{\beta} \circ \langle \Delta \mathbf{w}^2 \rangle + \delta[\Delta \mathbf{w}^2 \circ \Delta \dot{\mathbf{w}}] + \left. \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial t} \right|_{\Delta \mathbf{w}} = -\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\beta} \mathbf{g}^{E/w} \circ \langle \Delta \mathbf{w}^2 \rangle + \delta[\Delta \mathbf{w}^3] + \left. \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial t} \right|_{\Delta \mathbf{w}} = -\boldsymbol{\beta} \langle E \rangle + \delta E$  (Equation 3), where  $\boldsymbol{\beta} = \sum_{m,n} 2\langle \beta_{nm} \rangle / MN \geq 0$ ,  $\delta E = \delta[\Delta \mathbf{w}^3] + \left. \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial t} \right|_{\Delta \mathbf{w}}$  contains higher order terms of  $\Delta \mathbf{w}^k$  with  $k \geq 3$ , and  $\left. \frac{\partial \langle E \rangle}{\partial t} \right|_{\Delta \mathbf{w}}$  due to environmental perturbations.

When  $\delta E$  satisfies  $\delta E < \boldsymbol{\beta} \langle E \rangle$ , then  $\langle \dot{E} \rangle < 0$ ,  $\langle E \rangle$  represents a Lyapunov function and is asymptotically decreased,  $\mathbf{w}$  is modified toward  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$ , and  $\Delta \mathbf{w}$  toward zero. When  $\langle E \rangle$  is reduced to make  $\boldsymbol{\beta} \langle E \rangle = \delta E$ ,  $\langle \dot{E} \rangle = 0$ ,  $\langle E \rangle$  reaches a dynamic equilibrium value  $E_{eq} = \delta E / \boldsymbol{\beta}$ . When  $\langle \Delta \mathbf{w} \rangle$  approaches zero,  $\delta(\Delta \mathbf{w}^3)$  can be omitted,  $\langle E \rangle \approx \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathbf{g}^{E/w} \circ \Delta \mathbf{w}^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{g}^{E/w} \langle \Delta \mathbf{w} \rangle^2 +$

$\frac{1}{2}g^{E/w}\langle\Delta\tilde{\mathbf{w}}\rangle^2 = \frac{1}{2}g^{E/w}\langle\Delta\tilde{\mathbf{w}}\rangle^2 = E_{eq}$ .  $E_{eq}$  increases with increasing  $\langle\Delta\tilde{\mathbf{w}}\rangle^2$  due to the random perturbation from environment and the fluctuation of  $\mathbf{w}$  during the self-programming process, as shown in Figure 4b. When  $\langle\Delta\mathbf{w}\rangle$  descends to zero,  $\langle E \rangle \approx \frac{1}{2}g^{E/w}\langle\Delta\tilde{\mathbf{w}}\rangle^2 = E_{eq}$ , as shown in Figure 3 and 4.

The self-programming process of a SNIC and neurobiological network is summarized in the following theorem,<sup>[2]</sup>

**Theorem 1.** When a SNIC or neurobiological network (i) concurrently executes the signal processing algorithm  $\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{w} \mathbf{x}$  (Equation 1), and the correlative learning algorithm  $\dot{\mathbf{w}} = \alpha \mathbf{z} \otimes \mathbf{x}$ , (Equation 2) with  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{y} * \tilde{\theta}$  (Equation S1); (ii) when  $\mathbf{w} = \hat{\mathbf{w}}$ ,  $\mathbf{F} = \hat{\mathbf{F}}$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ , then  $\dot{\mathbf{w}} = \mathbf{0}$ , and  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$  represents the equilibrium value of  $\mathbf{w}$ ; (iii) when  $\mathbf{w} = \hat{\mathbf{w}}$ , the objective function  $E = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{F} - \hat{\mathbf{F}})^2 = 0$ ; when  $\mathbf{w} \neq \hat{\mathbf{w}}$ ,  $\mathbf{F} \neq \hat{\mathbf{F}}$ , and  $E > 0$ , then in the self-programming process,  $\langle \dot{E} \rangle = -\beta \langle E \rangle + \delta E$  (Equation 3) with  $\beta > 0$ ; (iv) When  $\delta E$  satisfies  $\delta E < \beta \langle E \rangle$ , then  $\langle \dot{E} \rangle < 0$ ,  $\langle E \rangle$  represents a Lyapunov function, and is asymptotically decreased, leading  $\mathbf{w}$  to be modified toward  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}$  in the self-programming process; (v) when  $\delta E = \beta \langle E \rangle$ ,  $\langle \dot{E} \rangle = 0$ ,  $\langle E \rangle$  reaches its dynamic equilibrium value  $E_{eq} = \delta E / \beta$ .

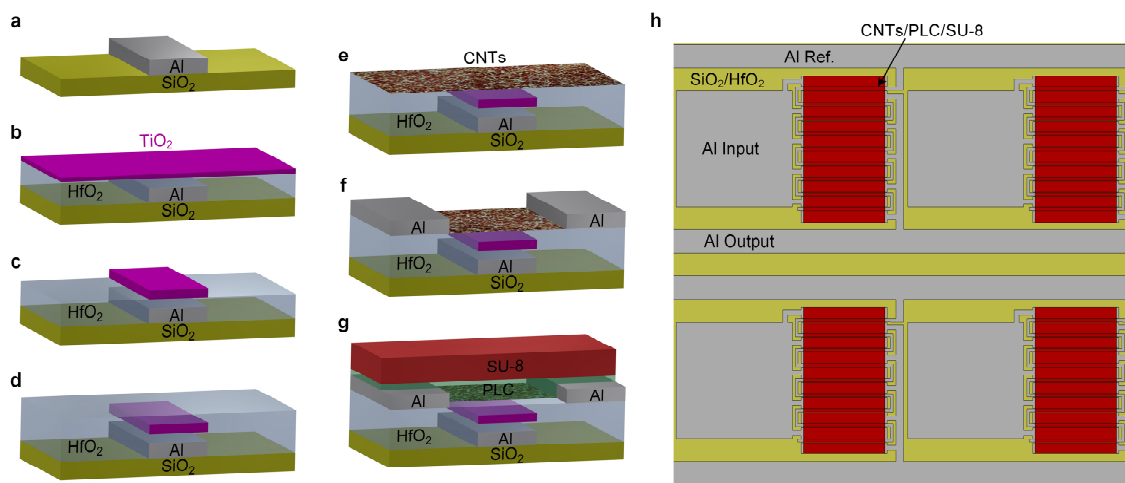
### An integrate-and-fire “neuron” circuit

We designed and fabricated an integrate-and-fire circuit with the basic functions according to the Hodgkin–Huxley neuron model<sup>[3]</sup>. The “neuron” circuit is shown in Figure S6a. The collective current,  $I$ , from multiple synstors flows through a diode toward a capacitor  $C_{IF}$ , increasing the voltage,  $V_C$ , on the capacitor. A negative voltage,  $V_L$ , is applied to induce a leakage current,  $I_L$ , flowing through the resistor,  $R_L$ , to filter the thermodynamic and signal noises in the circuits.  $V_C$  is proportional to the integration of  $I - I_L$  with respect to time. When  $V_C$  reaches a threshold value, a Schmitt trigger composed of transistors M1–M6 is switched back and forth to generate an output pulse from the output channel,  $V_f$ . The output pulse resets  $V_C$

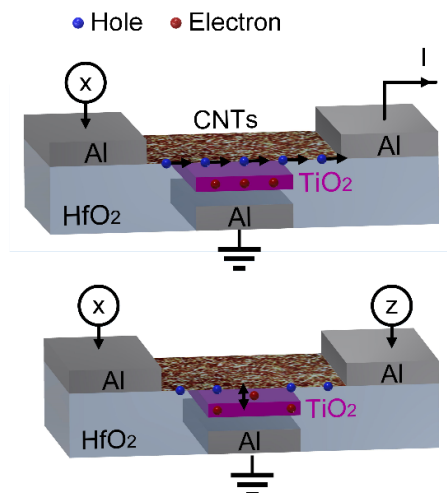
back to zero by switching transistors M7, M8, and M9, and the capacitor  $C_{IF}$  restarts the integration of the current. A “neuron” circuit with  $C_{IF} = 9.4$  nF,  $R_L = 50$  M $\Omega$ ,  $V_L = -0.15$  V, and  $R_{INV} = 0.25$  M $\Omega$  was tested by applying a series of 10 ns-wide input pulses to inject a current  $I$  to  $C_{IF}$ . The firing rates of output voltage pulses triggered from an output neuron circuit,  $r_y$ , are plotted versus the firing rates of input voltage pulses applied on a synstor,  $r_x$ , in Figure S6b.  $r_y$  can be expressed as,

$$r_y = \frac{r_y^{max}}{1+e^{-k_y(I-I_L)}} = \frac{r_y^{max}}{1+e^{-k_y(wV_p t_d r_x - I_L)}} \quad (S6)$$

where the maximal saturation value of  $r_y$ ,  $r_y^{max} = 6.01$  kHz,  $I$  denotes the current flowing into the integrate-and-fire neuron circuit with  $I = wV_p t_d r_x$ ,  $w$  denotes the synstor conductance, the magnitude of input voltage pulses  $V_p = 1.75$  V, the duration of input voltage pulses  $t_d = 10$  ns, the leakage current from the integrate-and-fire neuron circuit,  $I_L = 0.44$  nA, and the fitting parameter  $k_y = 7.81$  /nA, when the synstor is modified to its high conductance with  $w = 10$  nS, or low conductance with  $w = 0.1$  nS.

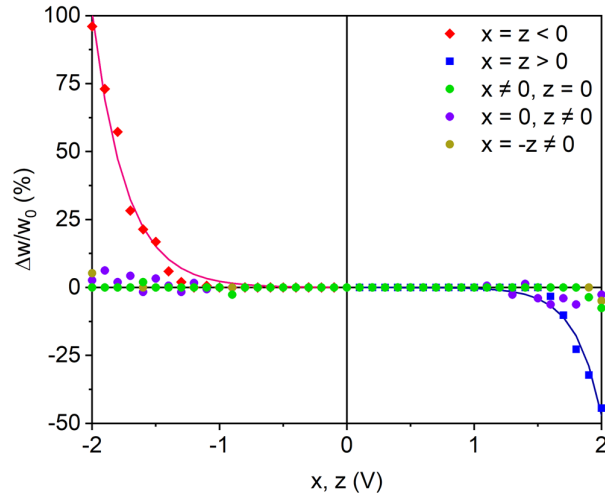


**Figure S1.** a) A 50 nm thick and 10  $\mu\text{m}$  long Al reference electrode (gray) is deposited onto the 100 nm thick  $\text{SiO}_2$  layer (yellow) of an Si/ $\text{SiO}_2$  wafer by electron beam (e-beam) evaporation, and patterned by photolithography and wet chemical etching. b) A 22 nm thick  $\text{HfO}_2$  dielectric barrier layer (clear blue) and a 2 nm thick  $\text{TiO}_2$  charge storage layer (magenta) are deposited by atomic layer deposition (ALD). c) The  $\text{TiO}_2$  charge storage layer is patterned by photolithography and reactive ion etching (RIE) with a 10  $\mu\text{m}$  long pattern aligned to the Al reference electrode. d) A 6.5 nm thick  $\text{HfO}_2$  barrier layer is deposited by ALD, encapsulating the  $\text{TiO}_2$  charge storage layer. e) A randomly oriented semiconducting single-walled carbon nanotube (CNT) network channel (orange) is deposited by wet immersion coating from an aqueous solution of 99.9% pure semiconducting CNTs. f) 50 nm thick Al input and feedback electrodes (gray) are deposited by e-beam evaporation, and patterned by photolithography. g) A 200 nm thick passivation layer of parylene-C (clear green) is deposited by thermal evaporation. An encapsulation and patterning layer of SU-8 photoresist (red) is deposited by spin-coating, patterned by photolithography, and used as an etch mask to etch the parylene-C and CNT layers with RIE to form a 20  $\mu\text{m}$  long CNT channel. h) A top-view of a  $2 \times 2$  crossbar synstor circuit with the labeled locations of the CNT channel covered by the parylene-C (PLC) passivation and SU-8 photoresist layers (red), the input, output, and reference electrodes (gray).

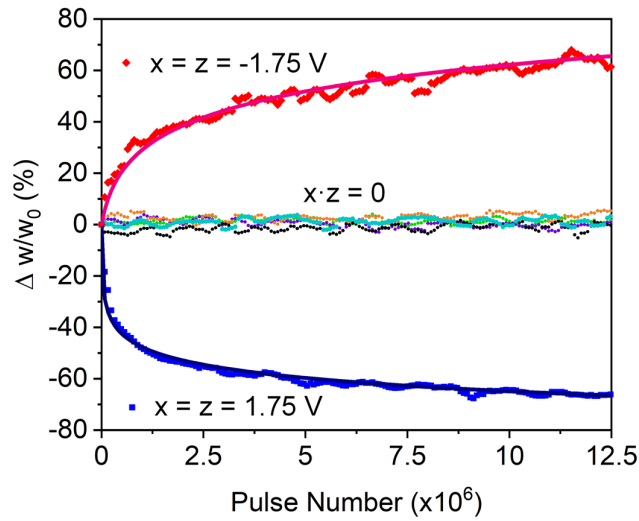


**Figure S2.** The synstor is composed of Al input and output electrodes (gray), a randomly oriented semiconducting single-walled carbon nanotube (CNT) network channel (orange), HfO<sub>2</sub> dielectric layers (blue-gray), a TiO<sub>2</sub> charge storage layer (magenta), and an Al reference electrode (gray). A voltage pulse is applied to the input electrode *x* to induce a current flowing through the CNT channel on the output electrode, while the output and reference electrodes are grounded. Charge in the TiO<sub>2</sub> storage layer modulates the density of holes in the p-type doped CNT channel, controlling the channel conductance *w* and current *I* flowing across the CNT layer on the output electrode. When voltage pulses *x* and *z* with the same amplitude are simultaneously applied to the input and output electrodes with respect to the grounded reference electrode, current across the channel  $I = 0$ , and electrons hop through the HfO<sub>2</sub> dielectric layer between the CNT channel and TiO<sub>2</sub> charge storage layer, modifying the charge in the TiO<sub>2</sub> layer and channel conductance *w*.

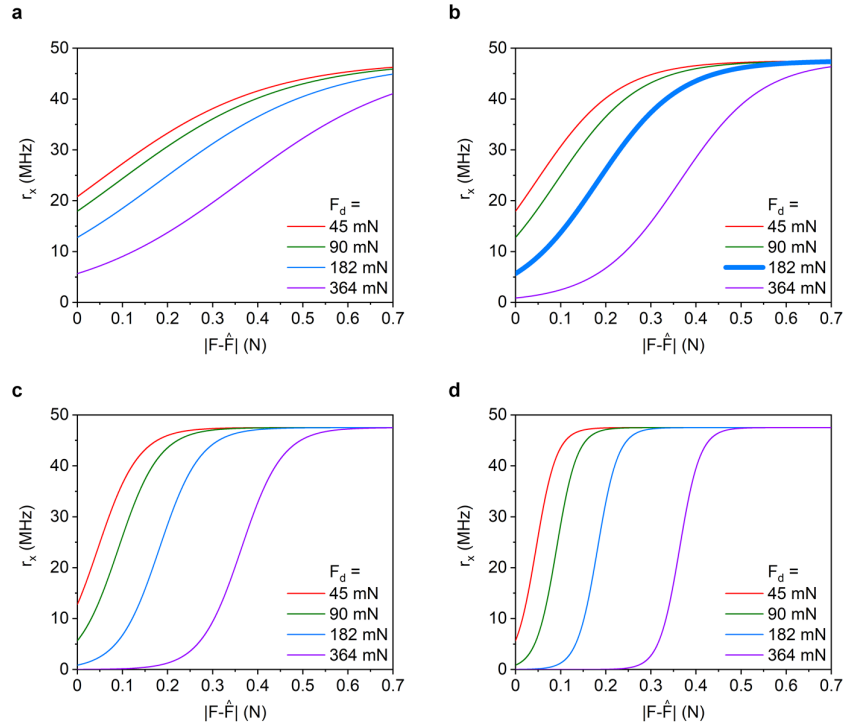




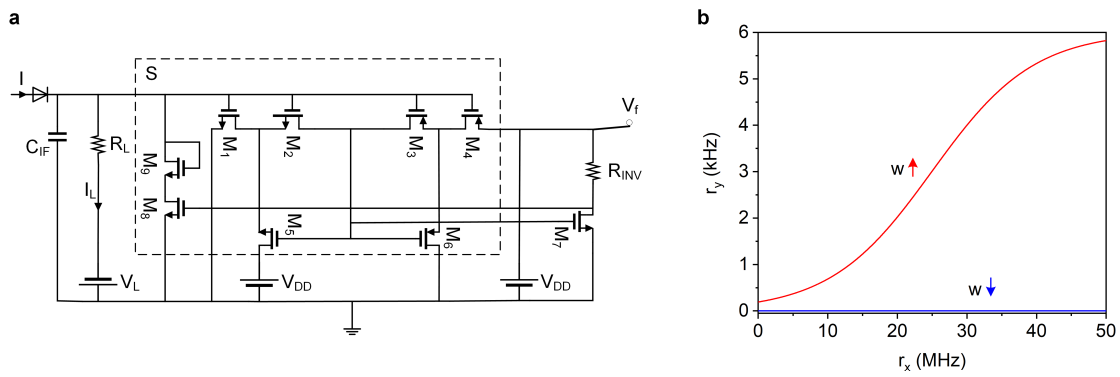
**Figure S3.** Relative changes of a synstor conductance  $\Delta w/w_0$  induced by 50 pairs of various 5 ms-wide  $x$  and  $z$  voltage pulses applied on the input and output electrodes of the synstor are plotted versus the pulse amplitudes. The  $\Delta w/w_0$  data are fitted by  $\Delta w/w_0 = e^{\mu^+(x-x_t^+)} - 1$  (magenta line) when  $x = z > V_t^+$  with  $\mu^+ = 4.06/V$  and  $x_t^+ = 1.05 V$ , and  $\Delta w/w_0 = e^{-\mu^-(x-x_t^-)} - 1$  (blue line) when  $x = z < V_t^-$  with  $\mu^- = 3.69/V$  and  $x_t^- = -0.81 V$ . The  $w$  is modified by following Equation 2,  $\dot{w} = \alpha z \cdot x$ . When  $x = z \gtrsim 1.0 V$ ,  $w$  was decreased ( $\alpha < 0$ ); when  $x = z \lesssim -0.8 V$ ,  $w$  was increased ( $\alpha > 0$ ); when  $-0.8 V \lesssim x = z \lesssim 1.0 V$ ,  $\dot{w} \approx 0$  ( $\alpha \approx 0$ ).  $|\alpha|$  increases with the increasing magnitude of  $|x|$  and  $|z|$ . The synstor conductance does not change under  $xz = 0$ .



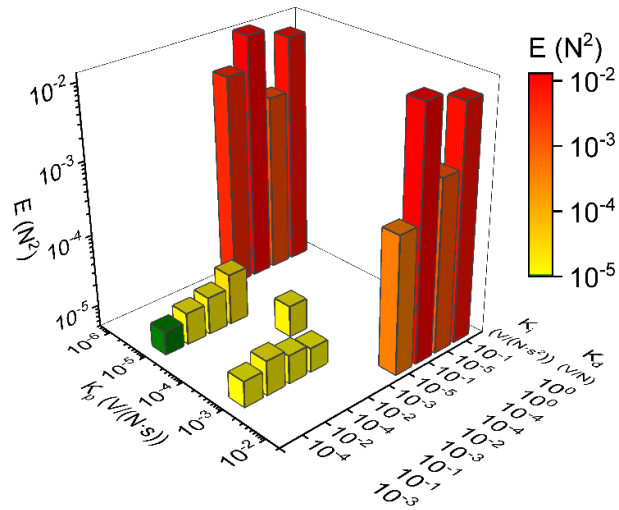
**Figure S4.** Cumulative relative changes of synstor conductance  $\Delta w/w_0$  are displayed versus cumulative numbers,  $n$ , of 10 ns-wide  $x$  and  $z$  voltage pulses applied to the input and output electrodes of the synstor under the voltage amplitudes of  $x = z = -1.75 V$  (red diamonds),  $x = z = 1.75 V$  (blue squares),  $x = z = 0$  (black),  $x = 1.75 V$  and  $z = 0$  (green),  $x = 0$  and  $z = 1.75 V$  (purple),  $x = 0$  and  $z = -1.75 V$  (orange),  $x = -1.75 V$  and  $z = 0$  (turquoise), respectively. The  $\Delta w/w_0$  data are best-fitted by  $\Delta w(n)/w_0 = v^- \text{Ln} \left( \frac{n}{n_0^-} + 1 \right)$  with  $v^- = 15.3$  and  $n_0^- = 1.76 \times 10^5$  under  $x = z = -1.75 V$  (magenta lines), and  $\Delta w(n)/w_0 = v^+ \text{Ln} \left( \frac{n}{n_0^+} + 1 \right)$  with  $v^+ = 7.5$  and  $n_0^+ = 1.7 \times 10^3$  under  $x = z = 1.75 V$  (dark blue lines). The synstor conductance increases versus increasing  $n$  under  $x = z = -1.75 V$ , decreases versus increasing  $n$  under  $x = z = 1.75 V$ , otherwise, the synstor conductance does not change under  $xz = 0$ .



**Figure S5.** The firing rates of input pulses to a synstor circuit,  $r_x$ , are plotted versus  $|F - \hat{F}|$  by following  $r_x = \frac{r_x^{max}}{1 + e^{-k_x(|F - \hat{F}| - F_d)}}$ , where  $F$  denotes the experimentally measured lift-force on a wing, the targeted value of the lift-force,  $\hat{F} = 0.3$  N, the maximal saturation value of  $r_x$ ,  $r_x^{max} = 47.5$  Mhz, the parameter  $F_d = F_d^0$  (red),  $2F_d^0$  (green),  $4F_d^0$  (blue), or  $8F_d^0$  (purple) with  $F_d^0 = 45.5$  mN, and the parameter a)  $k = k_x^0$ , b)  $k = 2k_x^0$ , c)  $k = 4k_x^0$ , and d)  $k = 8k_x^0$  with  $k_x^0 = 5.5$  N<sup>-1</sup>. The minimal objective function  $E$  is achieved under  $F_d = 4F_d^0$  and  $k = 2k_x^0$  (bold blue line) in b.



**Figure S6.** a) The integrate-and-fire “neuron” circuit consists of a capacitor,  $C_{IF}$ , a diode, two resistors,  $R_L$  and  $R_{INV}$ , and nine Si CMOS transistors ( $M_1$ - $M_9$ ). b) The firing rates of output voltage pulses triggered from an output neuron circuit,  $r_y$ , are plotted versus the firing rates of input voltage pulses applied on a synstor,  $r_x$ , when the synstor is modified to its high conductance with  $w = 10 \text{ nS}$  (red line), or low conductance with  $w = 0.1 \text{ nS}$  (blue line).



**Figure S7.** The average objective function  $\langle E \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle (F - \hat{F})^2 \rangle$  during PID control processes of a morphing wing in a wind tunnel with a wind speed  $S \approx 29 \text{ m/s}$  is shown versus the the proportional gain  $K_p$ , the integral gain  $K_i$ , and the derivative gain  $K_d$  of the PID controller.  $\langle E \rangle$  approaches its minimal value (green) under the optimal gains with  $K_p = 10^{-5} \text{ V/N} \cdot \text{s}$ ,  $K_i = 10^{-4} \text{ V/N} \cdot \text{s}^2$ , and  $K_d = 10^{-3} \text{ V/N}$ .

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