

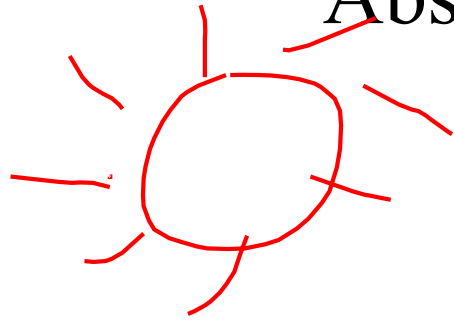
# System Engineering

## M2D1

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# Abstracted View of Bacterial Photography

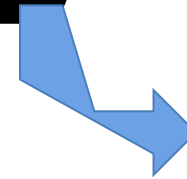


Input	Output
1	0
0	1



Light Sensing Device

Color Generating Device



Design Goal: improve dynamic range

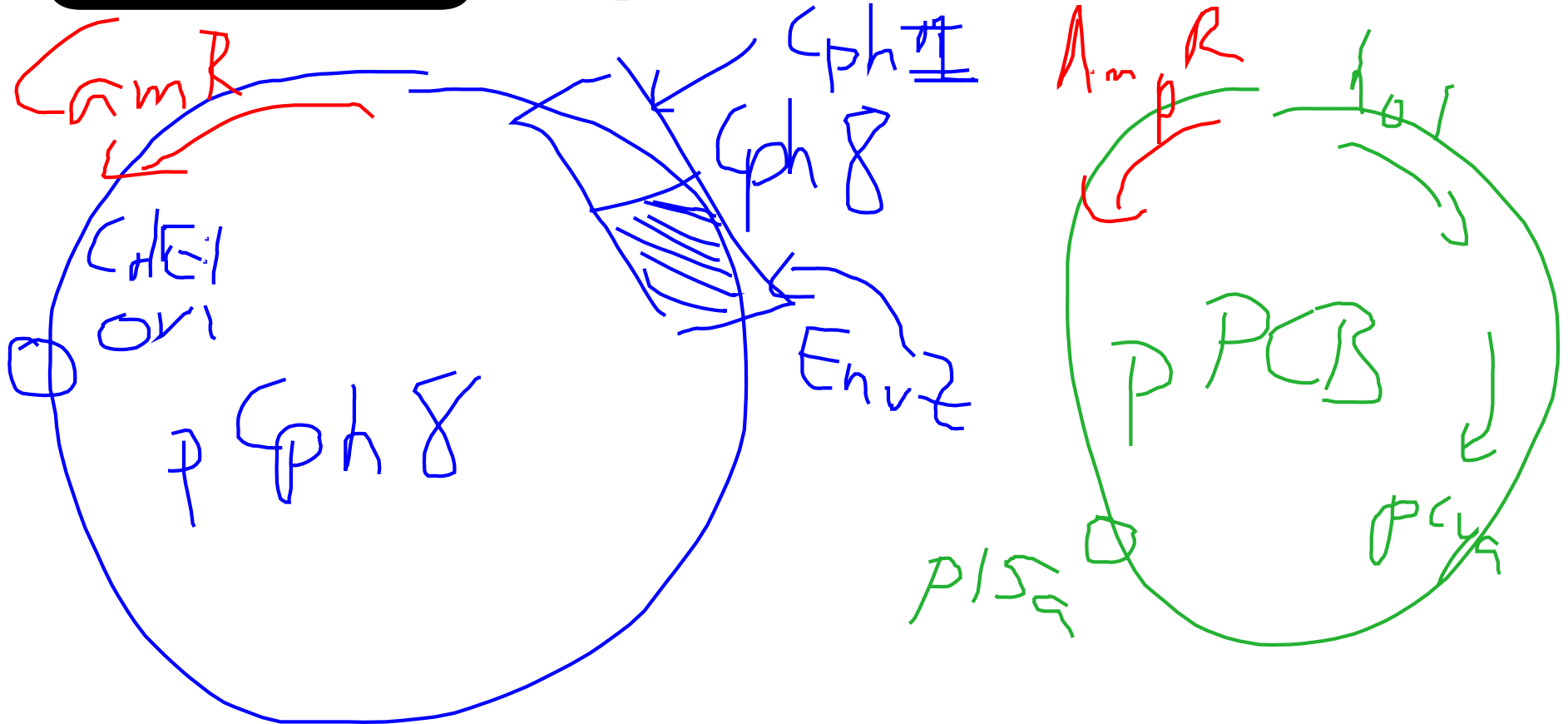
Practically speaking:

*lighter in the light*

# Light Sensing Device

## Inside the light sensing device

2 plasmids needed



Cyanobacterial light sensor = Cph1  
EnvZ cytoplasmic responder

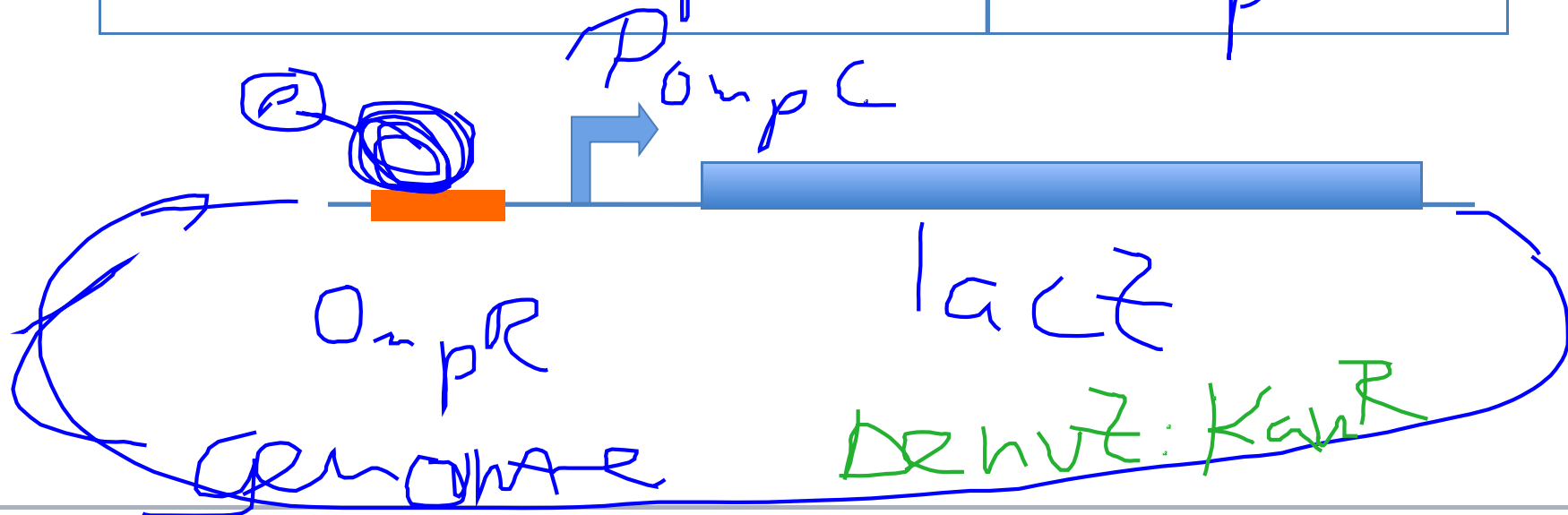
*Synechocystis*  
haem into phycocyanobilin

# Inside the color generating device

**Color Generating Device**

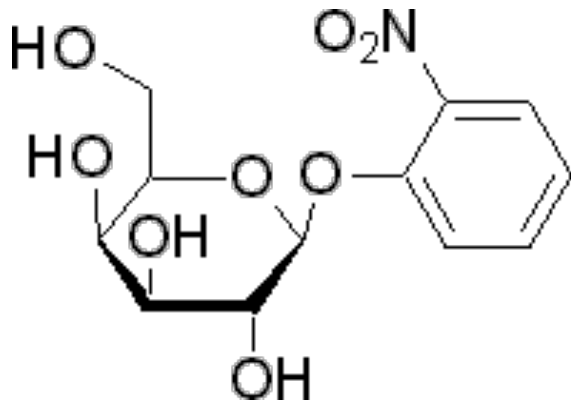
## Modification of Two Component Signaling System

System	NATURAL (Osmolarity)	MODIFIED (light)
Sensor	EnvZ	Cph8
Responder	OmpR	Omp <sup>R</sup>



b-gal activity produces color: in liquid

ONPG

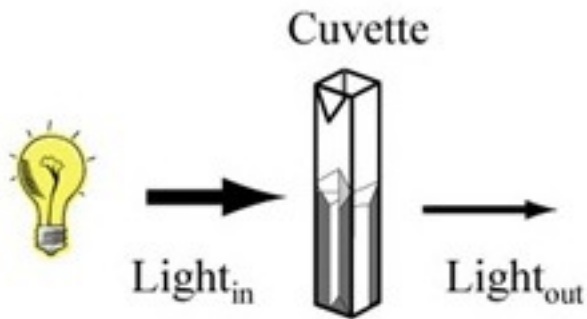


Must be in the linear range

Amount of yellow color



Amount of b-galactosidase



# Measuring b-gal activity

## Protocol

1. Measure concentration of cells  $A_{600}$
2. Lyse cells
3. Start Reactions ONPG
4. Stop Reactions  $N = CO_2$
5. Spin
6. Measure yellow color and debris

$$1 \text{ Miller Unit} = 1000 * \frac{(Abs_{420} - (1.75 * Abs_{550}))}{(t * v * Abs_{600})}$$

## Today in lab

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Practice  $\beta$  gal NBS

Best Photo  $\rightarrow$  light

$\rightarrow$  dark

Setup lig Best Photo  $\rightarrow$  light

$\rightarrow$  dark