

Homework 1.4: Synaptic current pulse

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1/1 point (graded)

Synaptic inputs can be approximated by an exponential current

$I(t) = q \frac{1}{\tau_s} \exp[-(t - t_f) / \tau_s]$

where t_f is the moment when the spike arrives at the synapse. Use the equation below to calculate the response of a passive membrane with time constant τ_m for $t \geq t_f$ to an input spike arriving at time t_f . Assume the membrane potential is at rest before spike arrives.

$\tau_m \frac{d}{dt} u = -(u - u_{rest}) + RI(t).$

for $t \geq t_f, u(t) = ?$

这里猜的，我不会求微分方程的解

☐ $u(t) = u_{rest} + \frac{Rq}{\tau_s - \tau} \left[\exp\left(-\frac{t - t_f}{\tau}\right) - \exp\left(-\frac{t - t_f}{\tau_s}\right) \right]$

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✔ Correct (1/1 point)

Chain of linear equations

0 points possible (ungraded)

Suppose that the arrival of a spike at time t_f releases neurotransmitter into the synaptic cleft. The amount of available neurotransmitter at time t is

$\tau_x \frac{d}{dt} \underline{x} = -x + \delta(t - t_f)$

The neurotransmitter binds to the postsynaptic membrane and opens channels that enable a synaptic current

$\tau_s \frac{d}{dt} I = -I + I_0 x(t)$

Finally, the current charges the postsynaptic membrane according to

$\tau_m \frac{d}{dt} u = -u + RI(t)$

好的呢，我不会求。上面的不会下面的更不会了。

Write the voltage response to a single current pulse as an integral. (no point for this question)

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