

## Week 7 – part 1 : Models and data



# Neuronal Dynamics: Computational Neuroscience of Single Neurons

## Week 7 – Optimizing Neuron Models For Coding and Decoding

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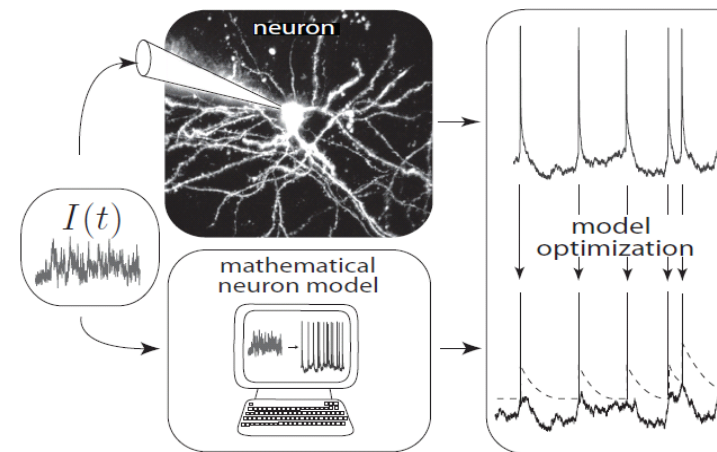
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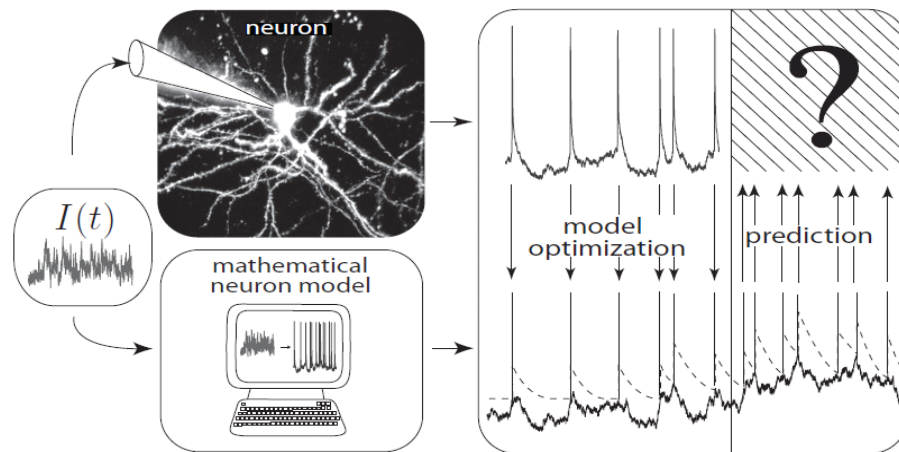
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# Neuronal Dynamics – 7.1 Neuron Models and Data



- What is a good neuron model?
- Estimate parameters of models?

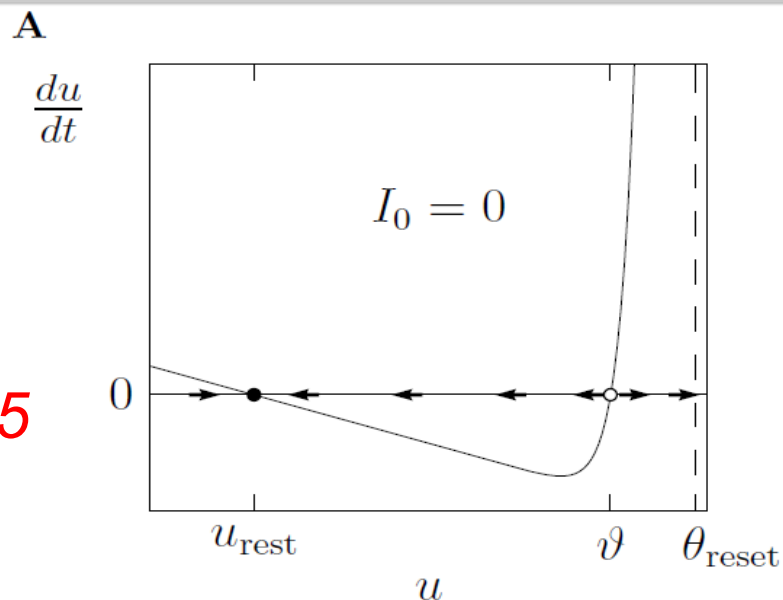
# Neuronal Dynamics – 7.1 What is a good neuron model?



- A) Predict spike times
- B) Predict subthreshold voltage
- C) Easy to interpret (not a 'black box')
- D) Flexible enough to account for a variety of phenomena
- E) Systematic procedure to 'optimize' parameters

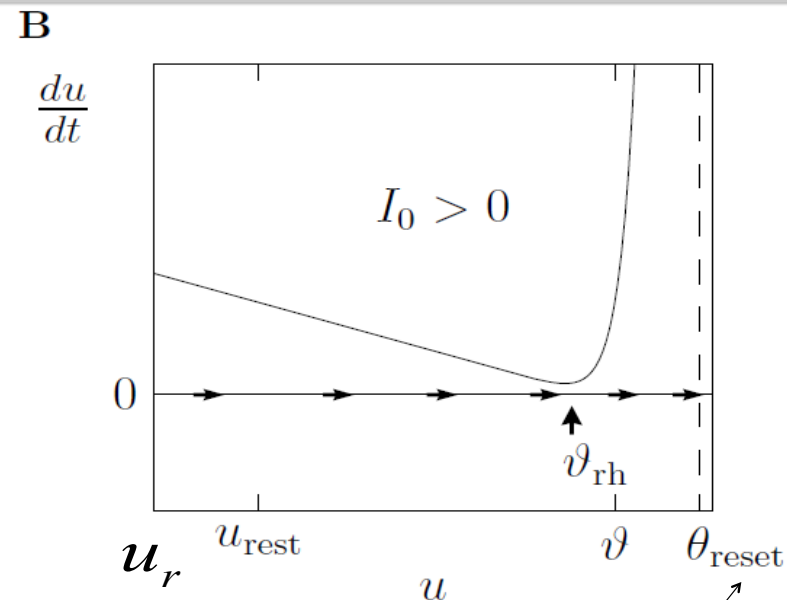
# Neuronal Dynamics – Review: Nonlinear Integrate-and-fire

See:  
week 1,  
lecture 1.5



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What is a good choice of  $\mathbf{f}$  ?



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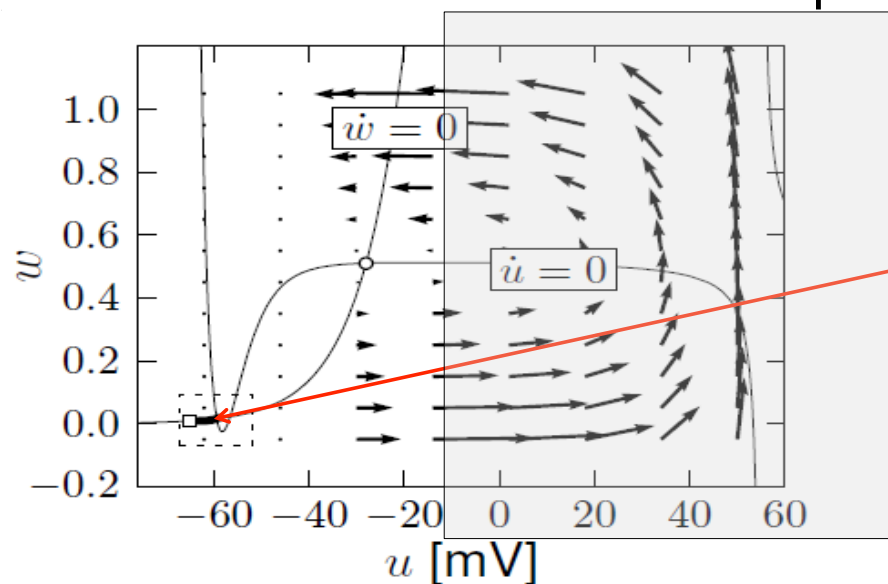
What is a good choice of ***f*** ?

- (i) Extract  $f$  from more complex models
- (ii) Extract  $f$  from data

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(i) Extract  $f$  from more complex models

$$\tau \frac{du}{dt} = f(u) + RI(t)$$



A. detect spike and reset

resting state

Separation of time scales:  
Arrows are nearly horizontal

Spike initiation, from rest

See week 4:  
2dim version of  
Hodgkin-Huxley

$$\tau \frac{du}{dt} = F(u, w) + RI(t)$$

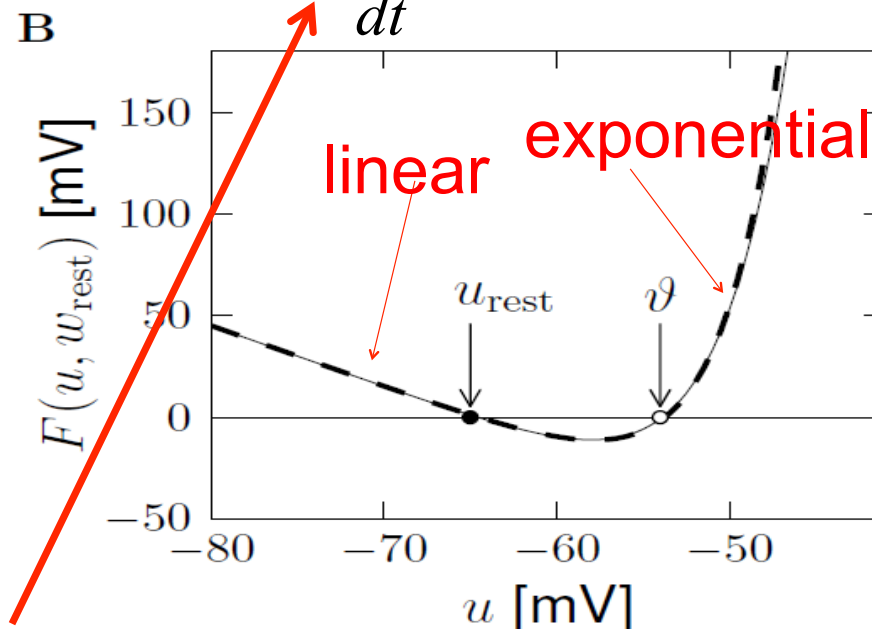
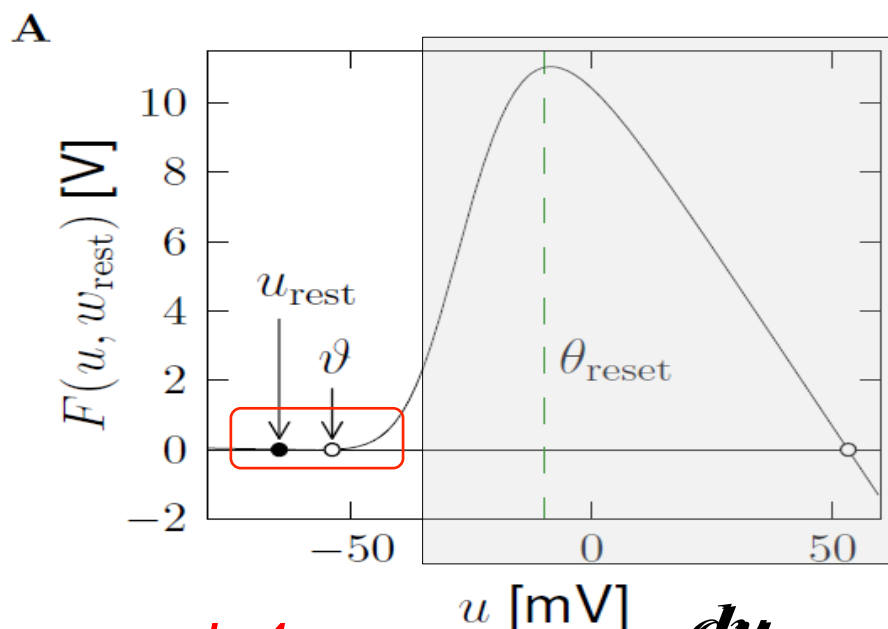
$$w \approx w_{rest}$$

$$\tau_w \frac{dw}{dt} = G(u, w)$$

B. Assume  $w = w_{rest}$

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$$\tau \frac{du}{dt} = F(u, w_{rest}) + RI(t)$$

Separation of time scales

$$\tau_w \frac{dw}{dt} = G(u, w) \longrightarrow w \approx w_{rest}$$



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(ii) Extract  $f$  from data *Badel et al. (2008)*

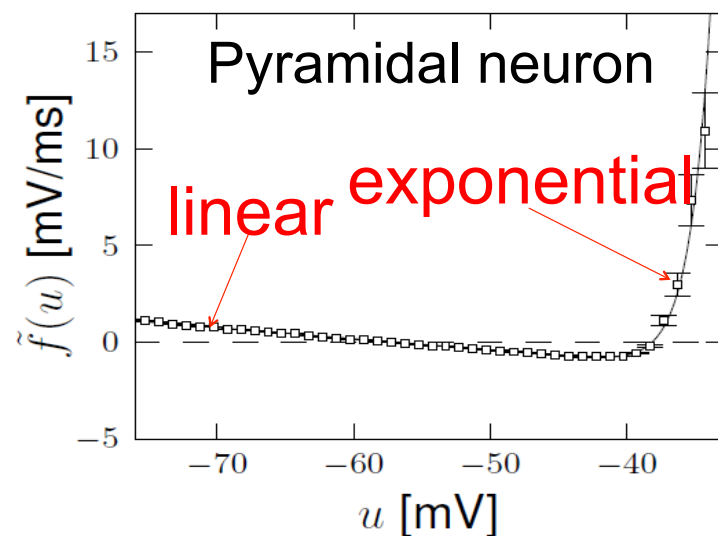
$$\tau \frac{du}{dt} = f(u) + RI(t)$$

$$\tau \frac{du}{dt} = -(u - u_{rest}) + \Delta \exp\left(\frac{u - \vartheta}{\Delta}\right)$$

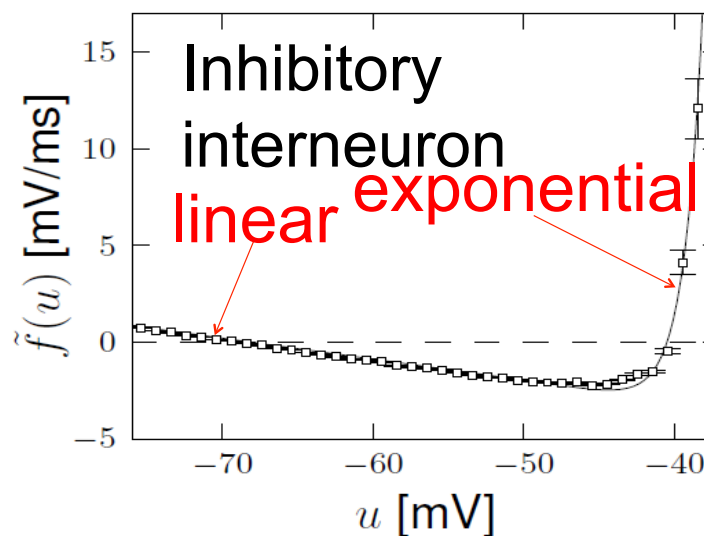
$$f(u) = \frac{f(u)}{\tau}$$

**Exp. Integrate-and-Fire**, *Fourcaud et al. 2003*

A



B



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$$(1) \quad \tau \frac{du}{dt} = f(u) + R I(t)$$

$$(2) \quad \text{If } u = \theta_{reset} \text{ then reset to } u = u_r$$

Best choice of  $f$ : linear + exponential

$$\tau \frac{du}{dt} = -(u - u_{rest}) + \Delta \exp\left(\frac{u - \vartheta}{\Delta}\right)$$

**BUT: Limitations – need to add**

- Adaptation on slower time scales
- Possibility for a diversity of firing patterns
- Increased threshold  $\vartheta$  after each spike
- Noise

## Neuronal Dynamics – Quiz 7.1.

### The exponential integrate-and-fire model

- ☐ can be extracted from data
- ☐ can be extracted from two-dimensional neuron model under the assumption of a separation of time scales
- ☐ has a linear and an exponential term in the voltage equation
- ☐ accounts for adaptation
- ☐ accounts for bursting