Week 1 – part 5: How good are Integrate-and-Fire Model?



Neuronal Dynamics: Computational Neuroscience of Single Neurons

Week 1 – neurons and mathematics: a first simple neuron model

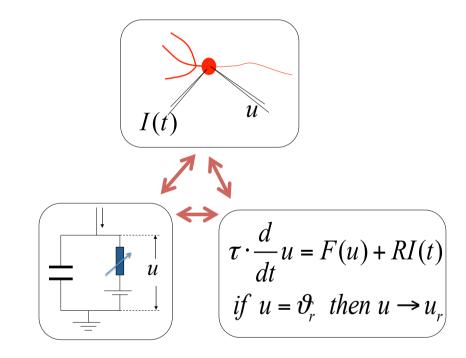
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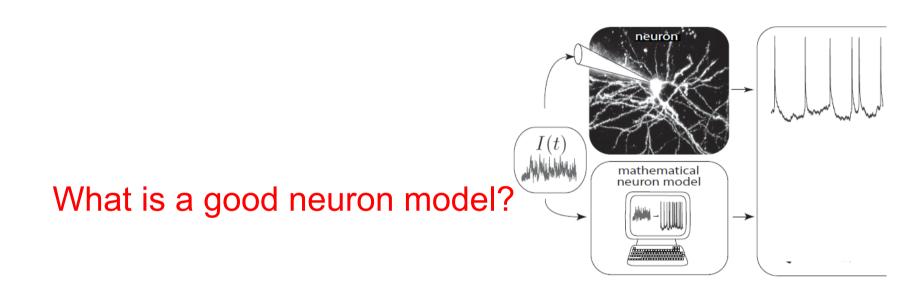
√ 1.1 Neurons and Synapses:

Overview

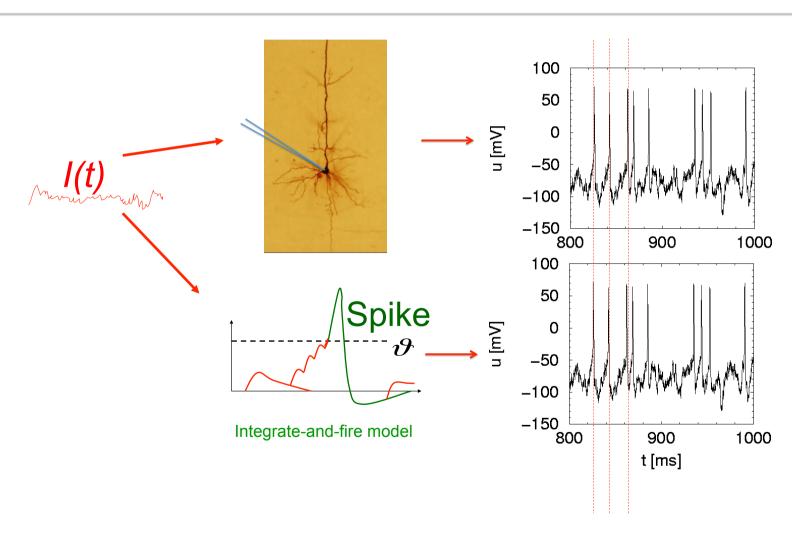
- 1.2 The Passive Membrane
 - Linear circuit
 - Dirac delta-function
- √1.3 Leaky Integrate-and-Fire Model
- 1.4 Generalized Integrate-and-Fire Model
 - where is the firing threshold?
 - 1.5. Quality of Integrate-and-Fire Models
 - Neuron models and experiments

Can we compare neuron models with experimental data?

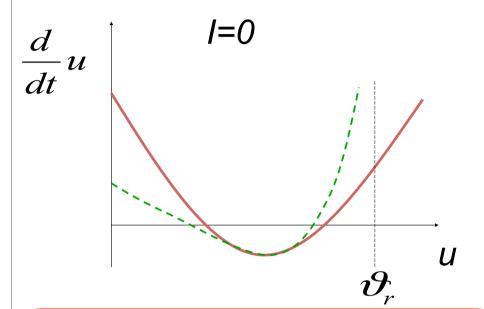




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Nonlinear Integrate-and-fire Model



Can we measure the function *F(u)*?

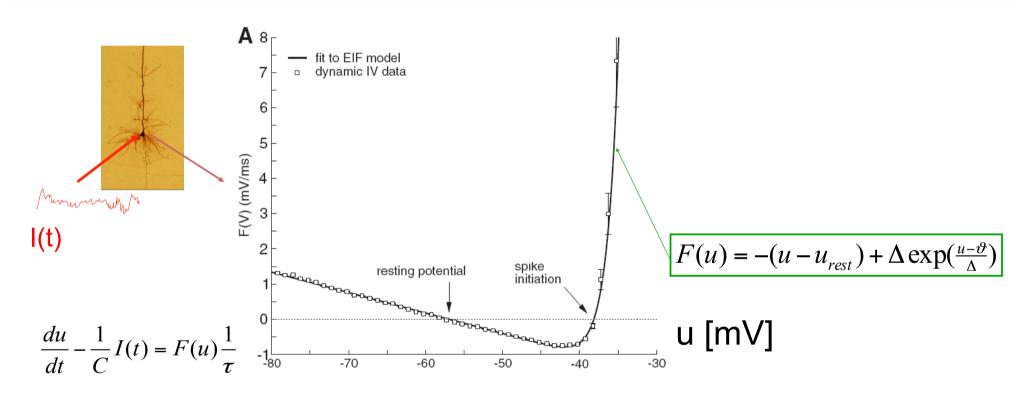
$$\tau \cdot \frac{d}{dt}u = F(u) + RI(t)$$
$$u(t) = \vartheta_r \Rightarrow \text{Fire+reset}$$

Quadratic I&F:

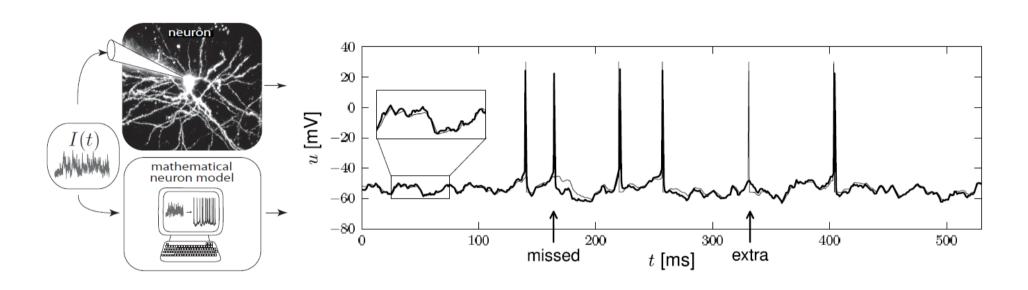
$$F(u) = c_2(u - c_1)^2 + c_0$$

exponential I&F:

$$F(u) = -(u - u_{rest}) + c_0 \exp(u - \vartheta)$$



Badel et al., J. Neurophysiology 2008



Nonlinear integrate-and-fire models are good

Mathematical description → prediction

Need to add

- adaptation
- noise
- dendrites/synapses

Neuronal Dynamics – References and Suggested Reading

Reading: W. Gerstner, W.M. Kistler, R. Naud and L. Paninski, *Neuronal Dynamics: from single neurons to networks and models of cognition.* Chapter 1: *Introduction*. Cambridge Univ. Press, 2014

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