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In [1]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

In [2]: def get_timeline(t_max, dt):
return np.arange(0, t_max, dt)

In [3]: def euler(f_func, v_c, is_volt_time_dep, volt_thresh_time, n_0, t_max, dt):
t = get_timeline(t_max, dt)
n = np.zeros(len(t))
n[0] = n_0

for i in range(len(t)-1):
    if (is_volt_time_dep and (t[i] < volt_thresh_time)) :
        v = -65
    else:
        v = v_c
    n[i+1] = n[i] + f_func(v, n[i], t[i])*dt
return n, t
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# 1. Potassium Channel

## 1 (a) defining functions

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In [4]: def alpha_n(v) :
return 0.01*(v + 55)/(1 - np.exp(-0.1 * (v + 55)))

In [5]: def beta_n(v) :
return 0.125 * np.exp(-0.0125 * (v + 65))

In [6]: def open_close_ion_channel_probability(v, n, t) :
return alpha_n(v)*(1-n) - beta_n(v)*n

In [7]: def potassium_current(v, n) :
g_k = 36 #nS
e_k = -77 #mV
return g_k * np.power(n,4) * (v - e_k)
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## 1 (b) Activation Time Constant and Steady-State Activation

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In [8]: def tau_n(v) :
return 1/(alpha_n(v) + beta_n(v))

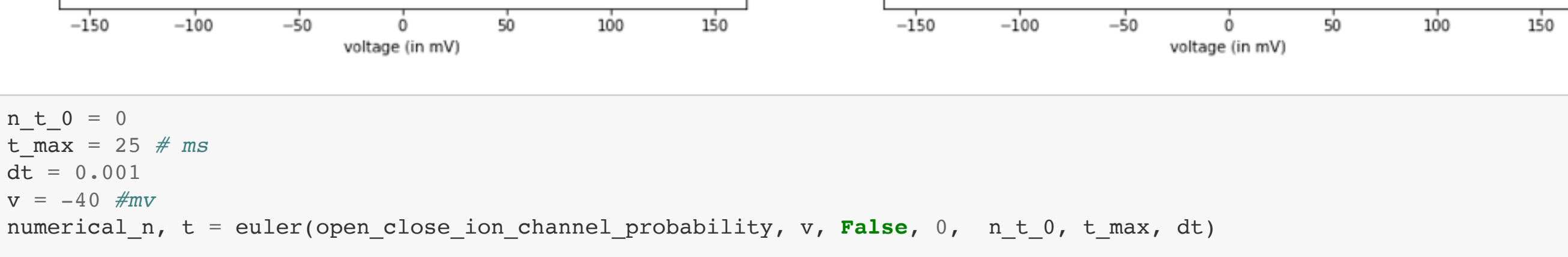
In [9]: def steady_state_activation_n(v) :
return alpha_n(v)/(alpha_n(v) + beta_n(v))

In [10]: def plot_function(axes, x_range, y_range, title, x_label, y_label):
axes.plot(x_range, y_range)
axes.set_title(title)
axes.set_xlabel(x_label)
axes.set_ylabel(y_label)

In [11]: voltage_range = np.arange(-150, 150, 0.01)

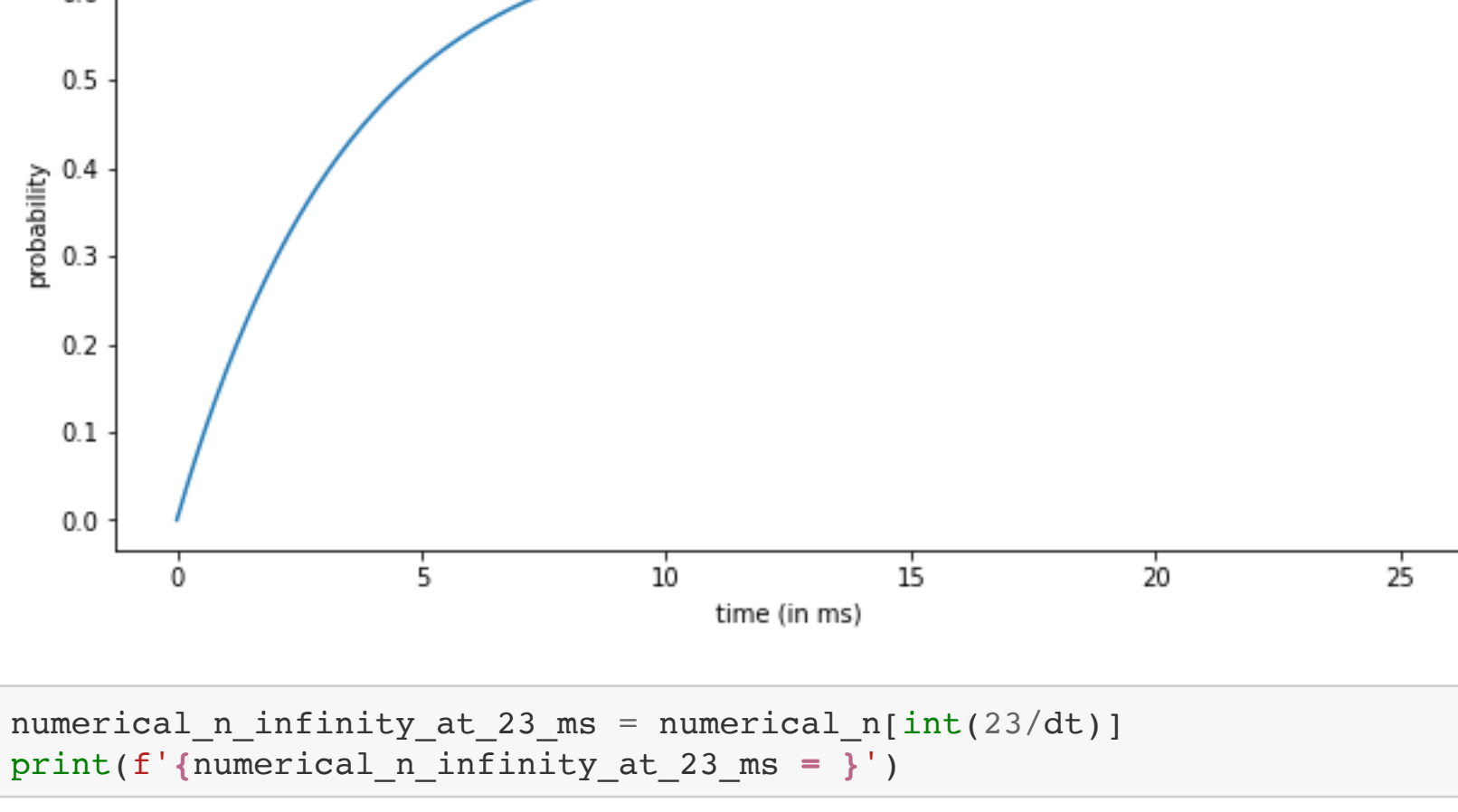
In [12]: tau = tau_n(voltage_range)
n_infinity = steady_state_activation_n(voltage_range)

In [13]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2, figsize=(18, 5))
plot_function(axes[0], voltage_range, tau, 'Activation Time Constant', 'voltage (in mV)', 'time constant (in ms)')
plot_function(axes[1], voltage_range, n_infinity, 'Steady State Activation', 'voltage (in mV)', 'n_infinity')
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In [14]: n_t_0 = 0
t_max = 25 # ms
dt = 0.001
v = -40 #mV
numerical_n, t = euler(open_close_ion_channel_probability, v, False, 0, n_t_0, t_max, dt)

fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=1, figsize=(10, 5))
plot_function(axes, t, numerical_n, 'Numerical Probability for command voltage of -40 mV', 'time (in ms)', 'probability')
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In [15]: numerical_n_infinity_at_23_ms = numerical_n[int(23/dt)]
print(f'numerical_n_infinity_at_23_ms = {numerical_n_infinity_at_23_ms}')

numerical_n_infinity_at_23_ms = 0.6776158650871139
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The numerically calculated probability is matching with the given value in the question (approximately)

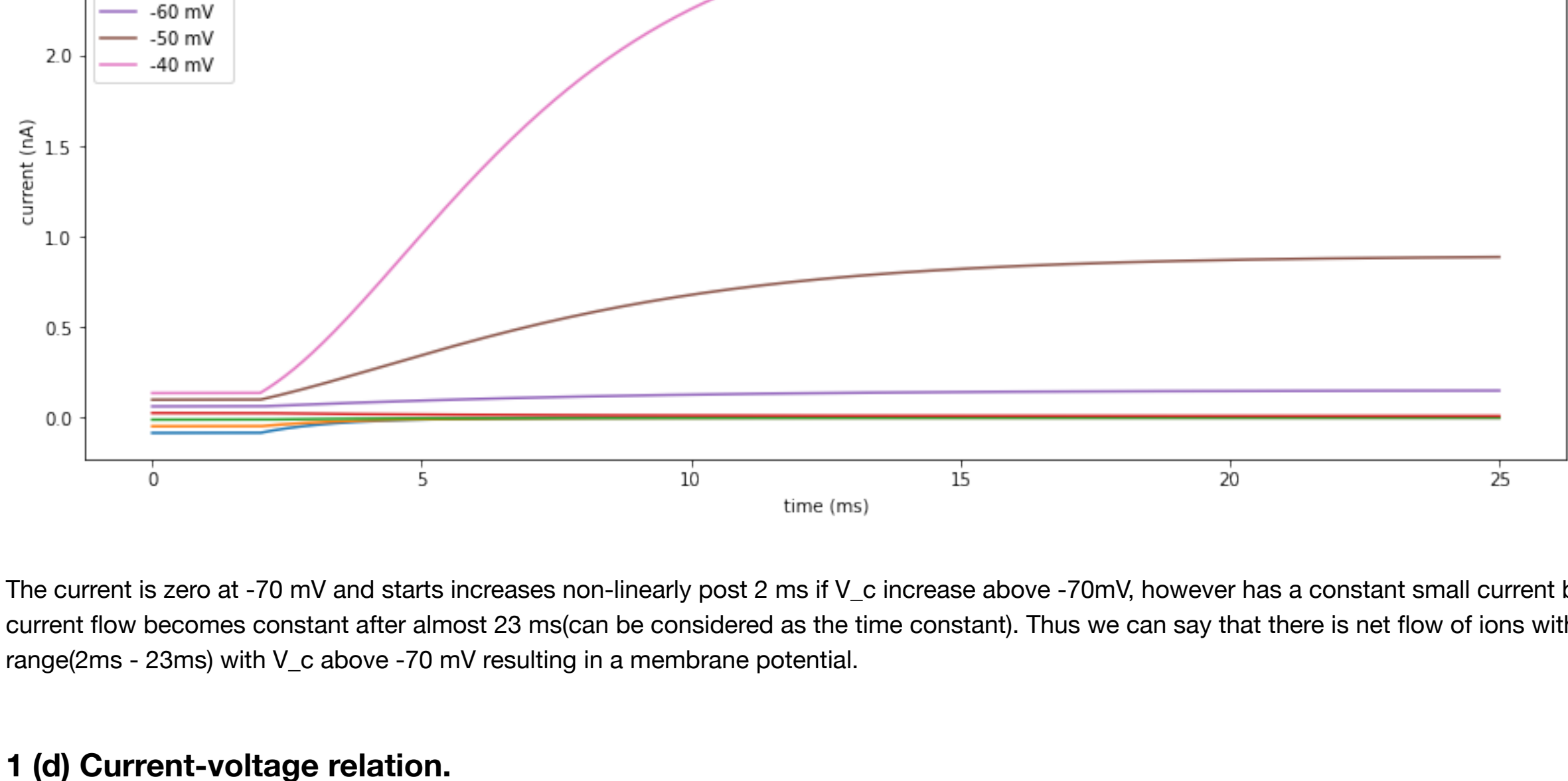
## 1 (c) Voltage clamp.

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In [16]: n_t_0 = 0.3177
t_max = 25 # ms
dt = 0.001
voltage_range_ic = np.arange(-100, -39, 10)#mV

fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=1, figsize=(15, 6))

for v_ic in voltage_range_ic :
    numerical_n, t = euler(open_close_ion_channel_probability, v_ic, True, 2, n_t_0, t_max, dt)

    i = potassium_current(v_ic, numerical_n)
    axes.plot(t, i*1e9, label = str(v_ic) + ' mV')
    axes.set_title('Potassium current')
    axes.set_ylabel('current (nA)')
    axes.set_xlabel('time (ms)')
    axes.legend()
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The current is zero at -70 mV and starts increases non-linearly post 2 ms if V.c increase above -70mV, however has a constant small current before 2 ms. The current flow becomes constant after almost 23 ms(can be considered as the time constant). Thus we can say that there is net flow of ions within a small time range(2ms - 23ms) with V\_c above -70 mV resulting in a membrane potential.

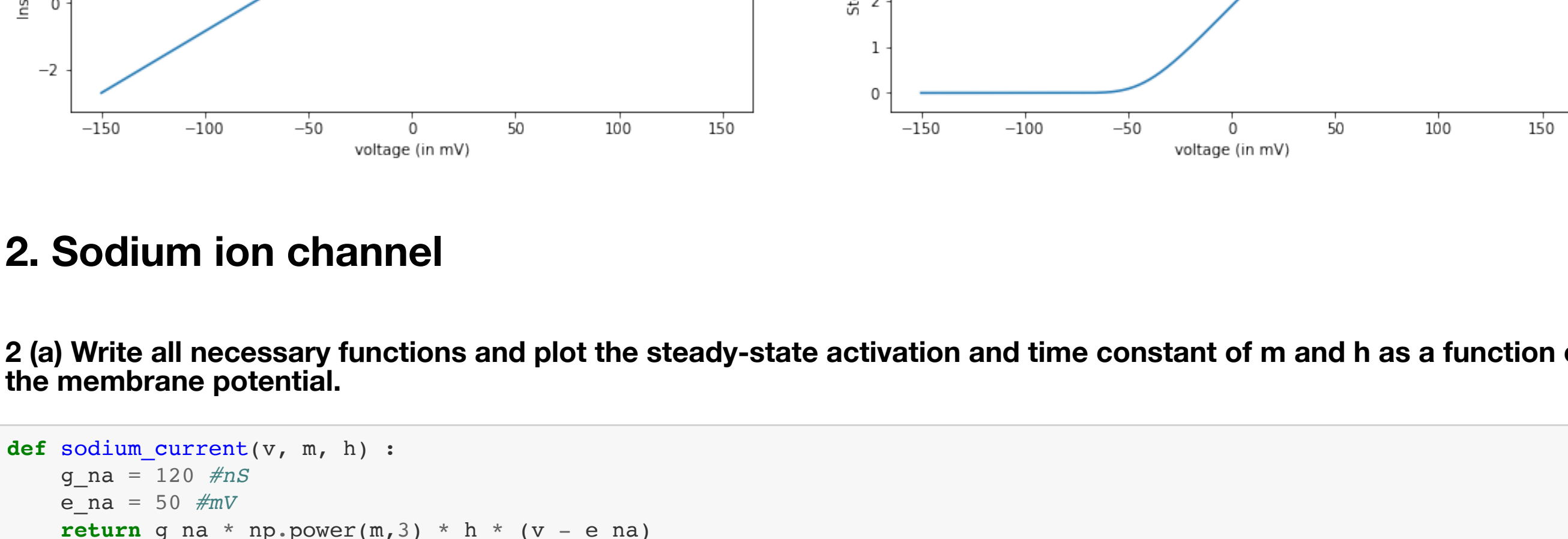
## 1 (d) Current-voltage relation.

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In [17]: voltage_range = np.arange(-150, 150, 0.01)

In [18]: n_t_0 = 0.3177
instantaneous_current = potassium_current(voltage_range, n_t_0)

In [19]: n_infinity = steady_state_activation_n(voltage_range)
steady_state_current = potassium_current(voltage_range, n_infinity)

In [20]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2, figsize=(18, 5))
plot_function(axes[0], voltage_range, instantaneous_current*1e9, 'I-V Plot for Instantaneous Current', 'voltage (in mV)', 'Instantaneous Current (in nA)')
plot_function(axes[1], voltage_range, steady_state_current*1e9, 'I-V Plot for Steady State Current', 'voltage (in mV)', 'Steady State Current (in nA)')
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# 2. Sodium ion channel

## 2 (a) Write all necessary functions and plot the steady-state activation and time constant of m and h as a function of the membrane potential.

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In [21]: def sodium_current(v, m, h) :
g_na = 120 #nS
e_na = 50 #mV
return g_na * np.power(m,3) * h * (v - e_na)

In [22]: def alpha_m(v) :
return 0.1*(v + 40)/(1 - np.exp(-0.1 * (v + 40)))

In [23]: def beta_m(v) :
return 4 * np.exp(-0.0556 * (v + 65))

In [24]: def alpha_h(v) :
return 0.07 * np.exp(-0.05 * (v + 65))

In [25]: def beta_h(v) :
return 1/(1 + np.exp(-0.1 * (v + 35)))

In [26]: def open_close_ion_channel_probability_m(v, m, t) :
return alpha_m(v)*(1-m) - beta_m(v)*m

In [27]: def open_close_ion_channel_probability_h(v, h, t) :
return alpha_h(v)*(1-h) - beta_h(v)*h

In [28]: def tau_m(v) :
return 1/(alpha_m(v) + beta_m(v))

def tau_h(v) :
return 1/(alpha_h(v) + beta_h(v))

In [29]: def steady_state_activation_m(v) :
return alpha_m(v)/(alpha_m(v) + beta_m(v))

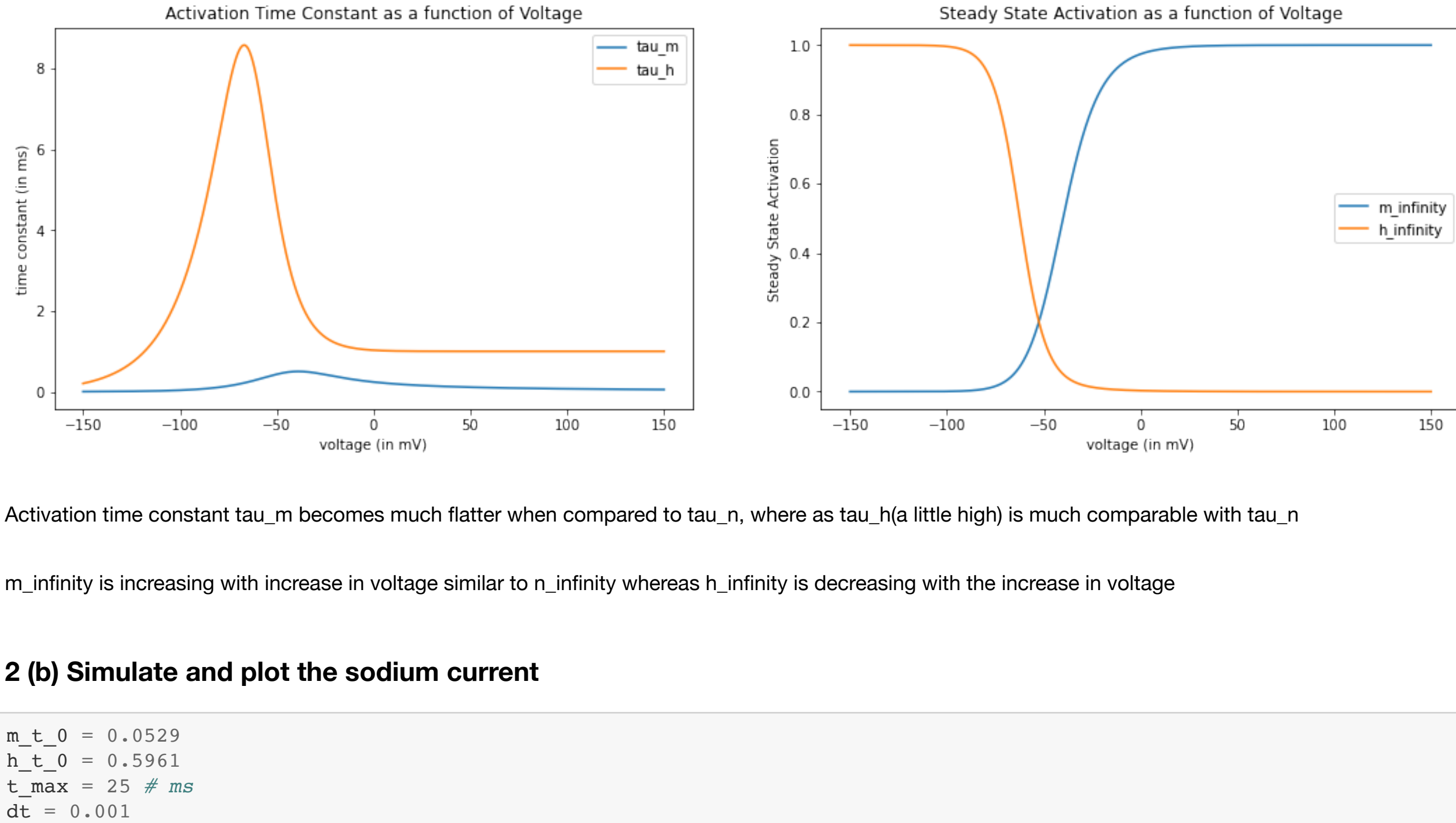
def steady_state_activation_h(v) :
return alpha_h(v)/(alpha_h(v) + beta_h(v))

In [30]: def plot_function_with_label(axes, x_range, y_range, title, x_label, y_label, label_m):
axes.plot(x_range, y_range, label = label_m)
axes.set_title(title)
axes.set_xlabel(x_label)
axes.set_ylabel(y_label)
axes.legend()

In [31]: tau_m = tau_m(voltage_range)
m_infinity = steady_state_activation_m(voltage_range)
tau_h = tau_h(voltage_range)
h_infinity = steady_state_activation_h(voltage_range)

In [32]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2, figsize=(18, 5))
plot_function_with_label(axes[0], voltage_range, tau_m, tau_h, 'Activation Time Constant as a function of Voltage', 'voltage (in mV)', 'time constant (in ms)', 'tau_m')
plot_function_with_label(axes[0], voltage_range, tau_m, tau_h, 'Activation Time Constant as a function of Voltage', 'voltage (in mV)', 'time constant (in ms)', 'tau_h')

plot_function_with_label(axes[1], voltage_range, m_infinity, 'Steady State Activation as a function of Voltage', 'voltage (in mV)', 'Steady State Activation', 'm_infinity')
plot_function_with_label(axes[1], voltage_range, h_infinity, 'Steady State Activation as a function of Voltage', 'voltage (in mV)', 'Steady State Activation', 'h_infinity')
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Activation time constant tau\_m becomes much flatter when compared to tau\_n, where as tau\_h(a little high) is much comparable with tau\_n

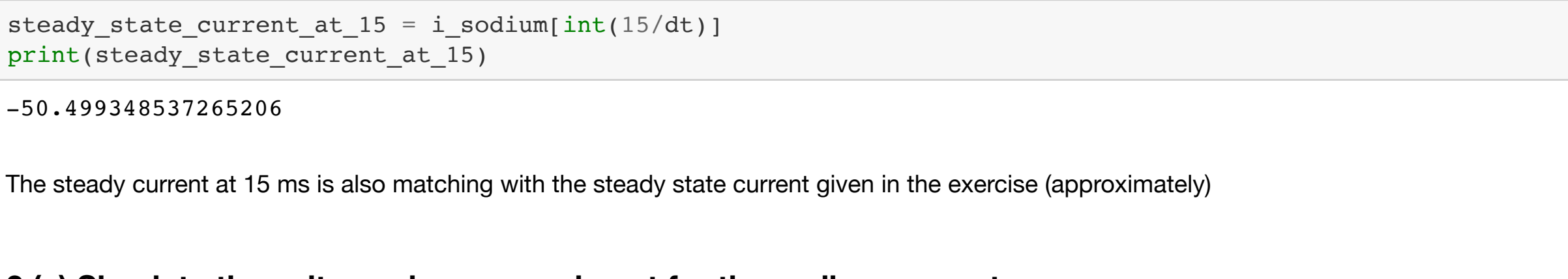
m\_infinity is increasing with increase in voltage similar to n\_infinity whereas h\_infinity is decreasing with the increase in voltage

## 2 (b) Simulate and plot the sodium current

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In [52]: m_t_0 = 0.0529
h_t_0 = 0.5961
t_max = 25 # ms
dt = 0.001
v_c_2b = -20 #mV
numerical_m, t = euler(open_close_ion_channel_probability_m, v_c_2b, False, 0, m_t_0, t_max, dt)
numerical_h, t = euler(open_close_ion_channel_probability_h, v_c_2b, False, 0, h_t_0, t_max, dt)

i_sodium = potassium_current(v_c_2b, numerical_m, numerical_h)

fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=1, figsize=(15, 6))
plot_function(axes, t, i_sodium, 'Sodium Current for command voltage of -20 mV', 'time (in ms)', 'current(in pA)')
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In [41]: min_current = min(i_sodium)
print(f' (min_current=)')

-1239.2303835547104
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This is matching with the minimum current given in the exercise (approximately)

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In [44]: steady_state_current_at_15 = i_sodium[int(15/dt)]
print(f' (steady_state_current_at_15)')

-50.499348537265206
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The steady current at 15 ms is also matching with the steady state current given in the exercise (approximately)

## 2 (c) Simulate the voltage clamp experiment for the sodium current

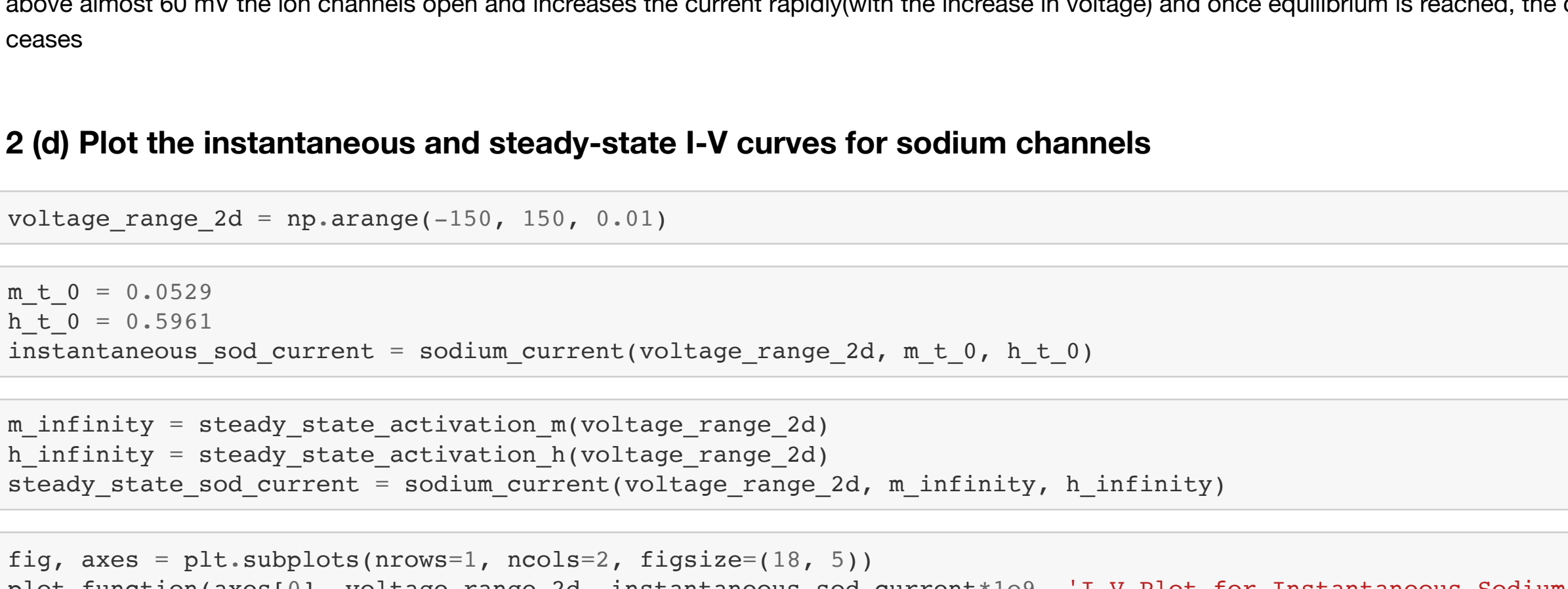
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In [68]: m_t_0 = 0.0529
h_t_0 = 0.5961
t_max = 25 # ms
dt = 0.001
voltage_range_2c = np.arange(-100, -39, 8.5)#mV

fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=1, figsize=(15, 6))

for v_c_2c in voltage_range_2c :
    numerical_m, t = euler(open_close_ion_channel_probability_m, v_c_2c, True, 2, m_t_0, t_max, dt)
    numerical_h, t = euler(open_close_ion_channel_probability_h, v_c_2c, True, 2, h_t_0, t_max, dt)

    i_sodium_2c = sodium_current(v_c_2c, numerical_m, numerical_h)
    axes.plot(t, i_sodium_2c, label = str(v_c_2c) + ' mV')

axes.set_title('Potassium current')
axes.set_ylabel('current (nA)')
axes.set_xlabel('time (ms)')
axes.legend();
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above almost 60 mV the ion channels open and increases the current rapidly(with the increase in voltage) and once equilibrium is reached, the current flow ceases

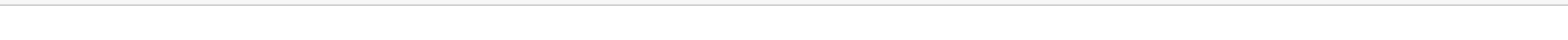
## 2 (d) Plot the instantaneous and steady-state I-V curves for sodium channels

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In [69]: voltage_range_2d = np.arange(-150, 150, 0.01)

In [70]: m_t_0 = 0.0529
h_t_0 = 0.5961
instantaneous_sod_current = sodium_current(voltage_range_2d, m_t_0, h_t_0)

In [71]: m_infinity = steady_state_activation_m(voltage_range_2d)
h_infinity = steady_state_activation_h(voltage_range_2d)
steady_state_sod_current = sodium_current(voltage_range_2d, m_infinity, h_infinity)

In [72]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2, figsize=(18, 5))
plot_function(axes[0], voltage_range_2d, instantaneous_sod_current*1e9, 'I-V Plot for Instantaneous Sodium Current', 'voltage (in mV)', 'Instantaneous Current (in nA)')
plot_function(axes[1], voltage_range_2d, steady_state_sod_current*1e9, 'I-V Plot for Steady State Sodium Current', 'voltage (in mV)', 'Steady State Current (in nA)')
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if we compare with 1 (d) the Instantaneous Current plot looks similar, whereas the Steady State Current drops suddenly and stabilizes with he rise in voltage unline the potassium steady state current

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