

# Single Neuron Modeling: Simplified models

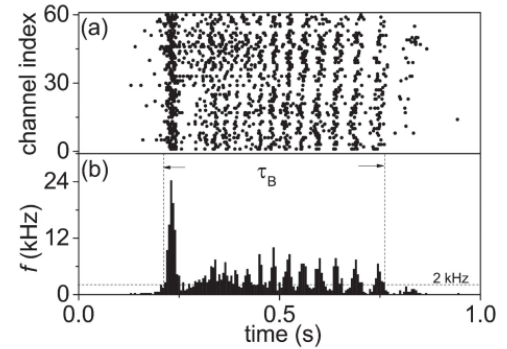
## Introduction

### The Hodgkin-Huxley Model:

$$\begin{aligned}
 c \frac{dV}{dt} &= -\bar{g}_{Na} m^3 h (V - E_{Na}) - \bar{g}_K n^4 (V - E_K) - \bar{g}_L (V - E_L) + I_{ext}, \\
 \frac{dn}{dt} &= \phi [\alpha_n(V)(1-n) - \beta_n(V)n], \\
 \frac{dm}{dt} &= \phi [\alpha_m(V)(1-m) - \beta_m(V)m], \\
 \frac{dh}{dt} &= \phi [\alpha_h(V)(1-h) - \beta_h(V)h], \\
 \alpha_n(V) &= \frac{0.01(V+55)}{1 - \exp\left(-\frac{V+55}{10}\right)}, \quad \beta_n(V) = 0.125 \exp\left(-\frac{V+65}{80}\right), \\
 \alpha_h(V) &= 0.07 \exp\left(-\frac{V+65}{20}\right), \quad \beta_h(V) = \frac{1}{\left(\exp\left(-\frac{V+35}{10}\right) + 1\right)}, \\
 \alpha_m(V) &= \frac{0.1(V+40)}{1 - \exp(-(V+40)/10)}, \quad \beta_m(V) = 4 \exp(-(V+65)/18). \\
 \phi &= Q_{10}^{(T-T_{base})/10}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Weakness:

computationally expensive



Huang YT, et al. PLoS One. 2017

## The Leaky Integrate-and-Fire(LIF) Neuron model

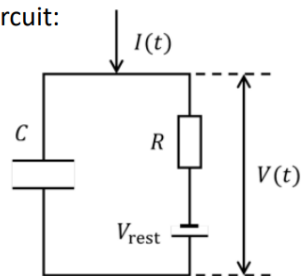
- The LIF neuron model

$$\tau \frac{dV}{dt} = -(V - V_{rest}) + RI(t)$$

$$\text{if } V > V_{th}, \quad V \leftarrow V_{reset} \text{ last } t_{ref}$$

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Refractory period

Equivalent circuit:



Comparing to the HH model:

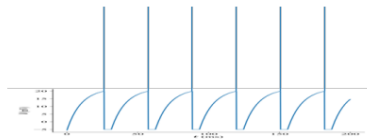
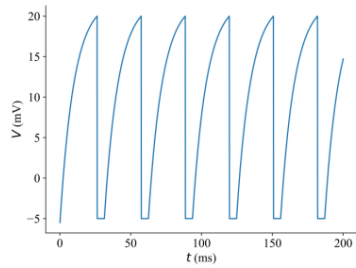
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- Refractory period(不应期, 重置时间, 膜电位不会改变)

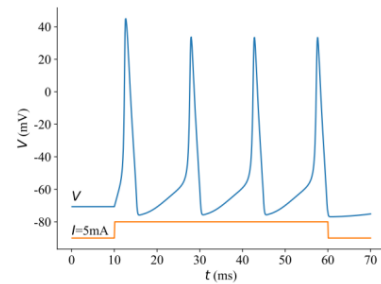
Given a constant current input:

$$\tau \frac{dV}{dt} = -(V - V_{\text{reset}}) + RI(t)$$

if  $V > V_{\text{th}}$ ,  $V \leftarrow V_{\text{reset}}$  last  $t_{\text{ref}}$



Comparing to the HH model:



- The dynamic features of the LIF model

General solution (constant input):  $V(t) = V_{\text{reset}} + RI_c (1 - e^{-\frac{t-t_0}{\tau}})$

$$\tau \frac{dV}{dt} = -(V - V_{\text{reset}}) + RI(t)$$

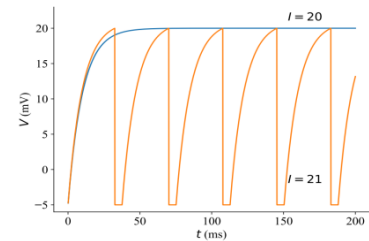
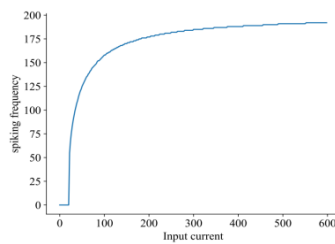
if  $V > V_{\text{th}}$ ,  $V \leftarrow V_{\text{reset}}$  last  $t_{\text{ref}}$

Firing frequency:  $T = -\tau \ln \left( 1 - \frac{V_{\text{th}} - V_{\text{reset}}}{RI_c} \right)$

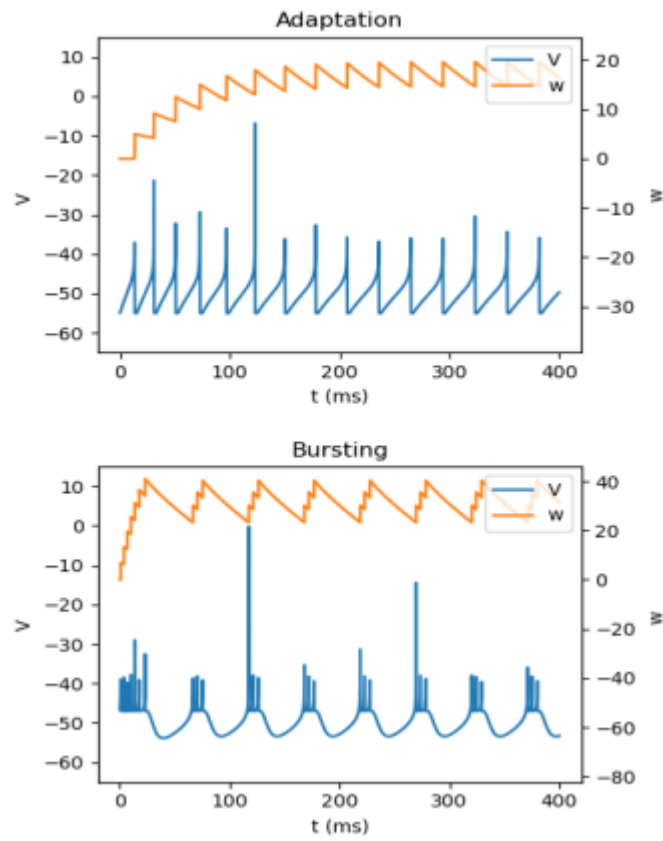
$$f = \frac{1}{T + t_{\text{ref}}} = \frac{1}{t_{\text{ref}} - \tau \ln \left( 1 - \frac{V_{\text{th}} - V_{\text{reset}}}{RI_c} \right)}$$

Rheobase current (minimal current):

$$I_{\theta} = \frac{V_{\text{th}} - V_{\text{reset}}}{R}$$



- $V_{\text{reset}} + RI_c$  要大于  $V_{\text{th}}$  才能持续放电
- 可以求出  $I_c$  的最小值
- Strengths&weaknesses of the LIF model
  - Strengths:
    - Simple, high simulation Efficiency
    - Intuitive
    - Fits well the subthreshold membrane potential
  - Weakness
    - The shape of action potentials is over-simplified
    - has no memory of the spiking history
    - Cannot reproduce diverse firing patterns

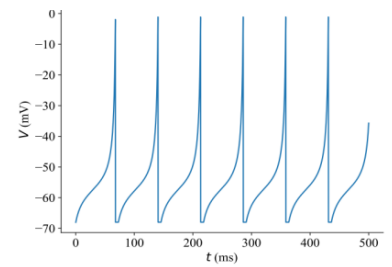


- Other Univariate neuron models

- The Quadratic Integrate-and-Fire (QIF) model:

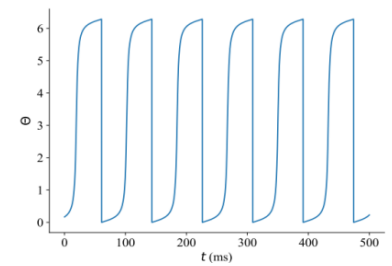
$$\tau \frac{dV}{dt} = a_0(V - V_{\text{rest}})(V - V_c) + RI(t)$$

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- The Theta neuron model:

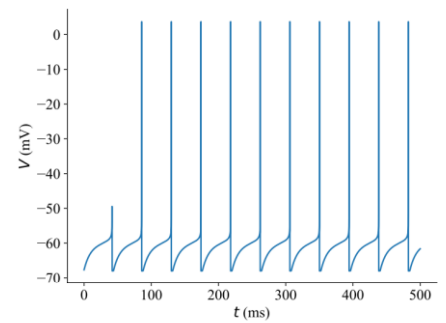
$$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = 1 - \cos \theta + (1 + \cos \theta) (\beta + I(t))$$



- The Exponential Integrate-and-Fire (ExpIF) model:

$$\tau \frac{dV}{dt} = -(V - V_{\text{rest}}) + \Delta_T e^{\frac{V - V_T}{\Delta_T}} + RI(t)$$

if  $V > \theta$ ,  $V \leftarrow V_{\text{reset}}$  last  $t_{\text{ref}}$



## The Adaptive Exponential Integrate-and-Fire (AdEx) Neuron model

- The AdEx neuron model

Two variables:

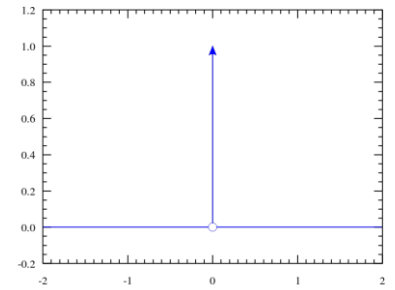
- $V$ : membrane potential
- $w$ : adaptation variable

$$\tau_m \frac{dV}{dt} = -(V - V_{\text{rest}}) + \Delta_T e^{\frac{V - V_T}{\Delta_T}} - R w + R I(t)$$

$$\tau_w \frac{dw}{dt} = a(V - V_{\text{rest}}) - w + b \tau_w \sum_{t^{(f)}} \delta(t - t^{(f)})$$

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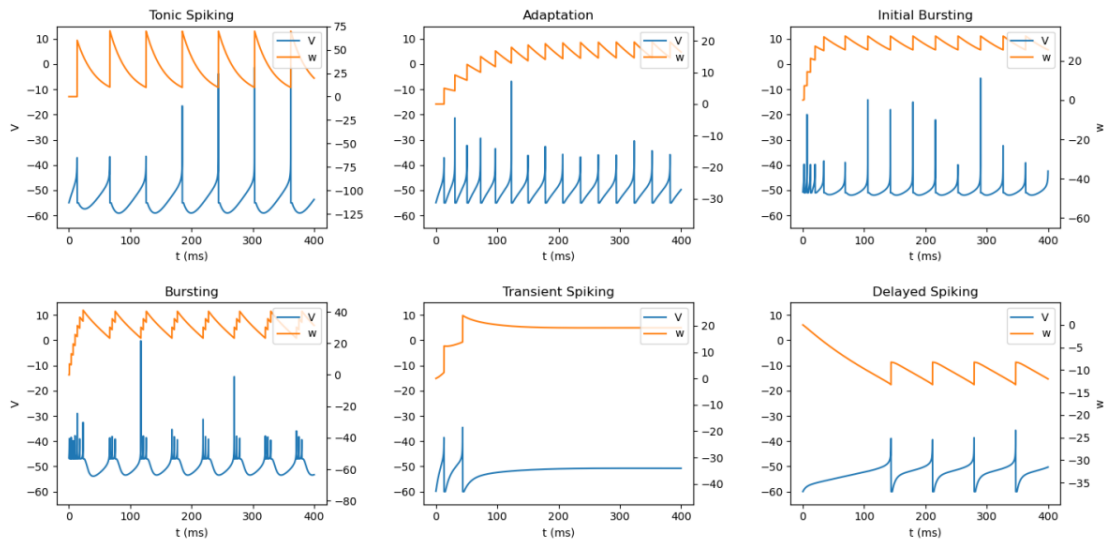
- A larger  $w$  suppresses  $V$  from increasing
- $w$  decays exponentially while having a sudden increase when the neuron fires



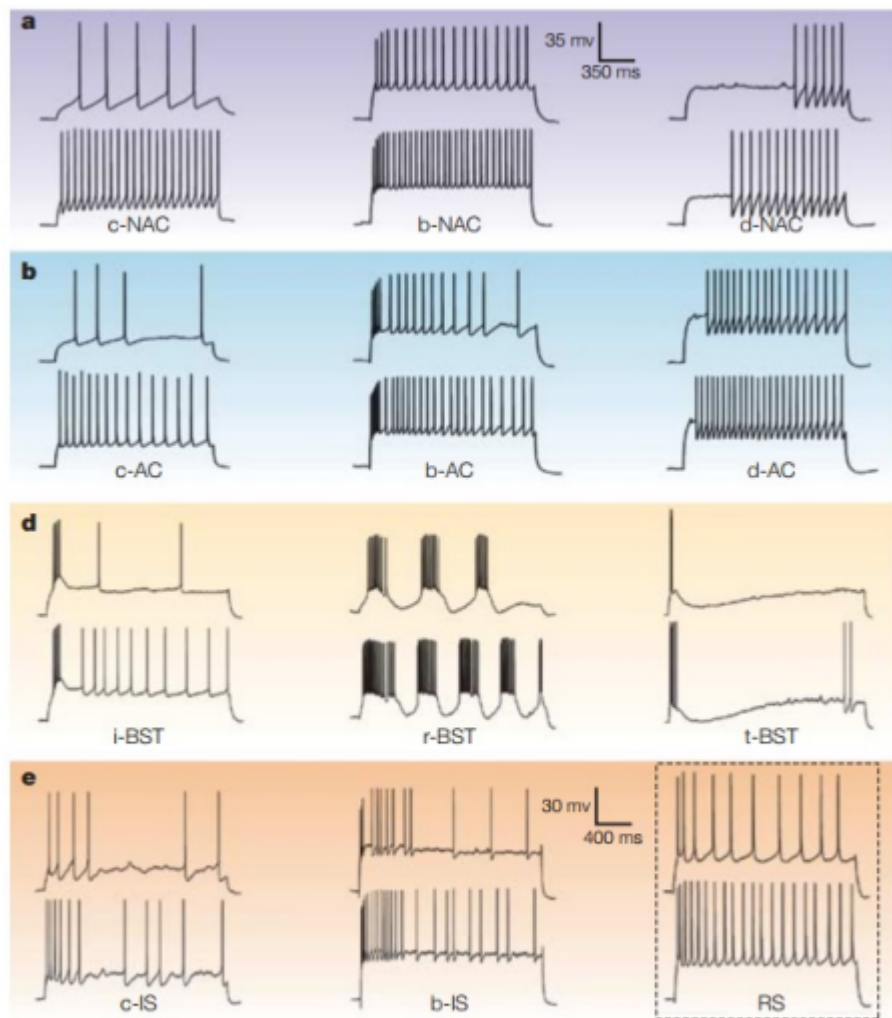
$\delta$  function

- 达到阈值之后  $w$  变为  $(w+b)$
- firing patterns

Firing patterns of the AdEx model:



- Categorization of firing patterns

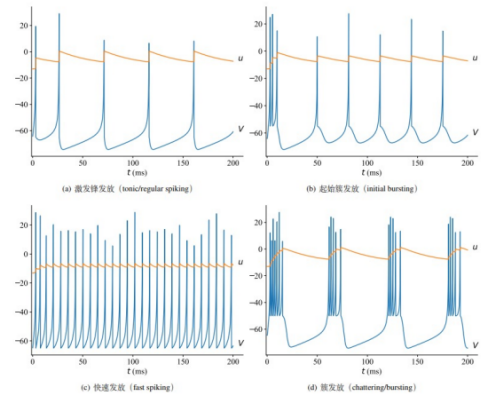


Markram H, et al. Nat Rev Neurosci. 2004

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- According to the steady-state firing time intervals
  - Tonic/regular spiking
  - Adapting
  - Bursting
  - Irregular spiking
- According to the initial-state features:
  - Tonic/classic spiking
  - initial burst
  - Delayed spiking
- Other multivariate neuron models
  - 从二次整合发放演化来的Izhikevich model

- The Izhikevich model:

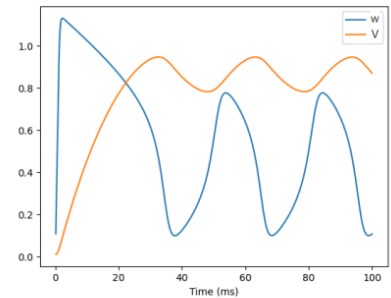
$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dV}{dt} &= 0.04V^2 + 5V + 140 - u + I \\ \frac{du}{dt} &= a(bV - u) \\ \text{if } V > \theta, \quad V &\leftarrow c, u \leftarrow u + d \text{ last } t_{\text{ref}}\end{aligned}$$



- 没有人为主的重置(保持连续性)

- The FitzHugh–Nagumo (FHN) model

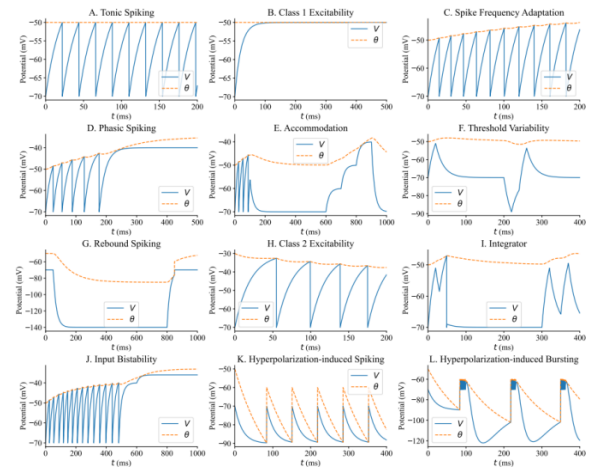
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{v} &= v - \frac{v^3}{3} - w + RI_{\text{ext}} \\ \tau \dot{w} &= v + a - bw.\end{aligned}$$



- (n+2) 个变量

- The Generalized Integrate-and-Fire (GIF) model:

$$\begin{aligned}\tau \frac{dV}{dt} &= -(V - V_{\text{rest}}) + R \sum_j I_j + RI \\ \frac{d\Theta}{dt} &= a(V - V_{\text{rest}}) - b(\Theta - \Theta_{\infty}) \\ \frac{dI_j}{dt} &= -k_j I_j, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n \\ \text{if } V > \Theta, \quad I_j &\leftarrow R_j I_j + A_j, V \leftarrow V_{\text{reset}}, \Theta \leftarrow \max(\Theta_{\text{reset}}, \Theta)\end{aligned}$$



- 对历史有记忆就是前段时间的状态对后面时间有影响

## Dynamic analysis: phase-plane analysis

- Phase plane analysis

- 对两个变量做相平面分析，分析动力学系统为什么会发生这样的行为(假设外部电流恒定，v和w都能确定v和w的梯度。零线一定是和其他线水平或垂直，一侧的方向一定是一致的)
- 给初始值后，v和w会随着t变化，就可以画出轨迹(达到vreset即重置)

Analyzes the behavior of a dynamical system with (usually two) variables described by ordinary differential equations

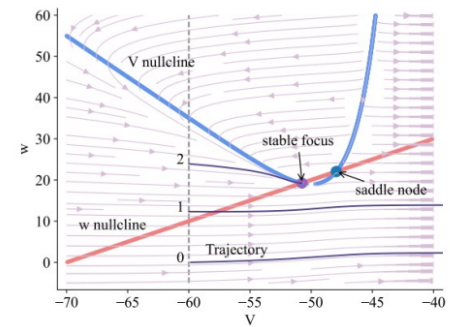
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Elements:

- Nullclines:  $dV/dt = 0$ ;  $dw/dt = 0$
- Fixed points:  $dV/dt = 0$  and  $dw/dt = 0$
- The vector field
- The trajectory of variables



- Tonic spiking

### 1. Tonic spiking

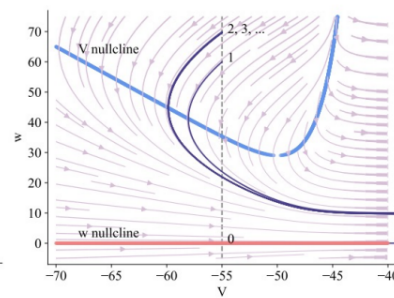
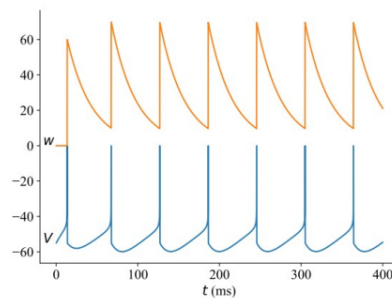
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- Adaptation

### 2. Adaptation

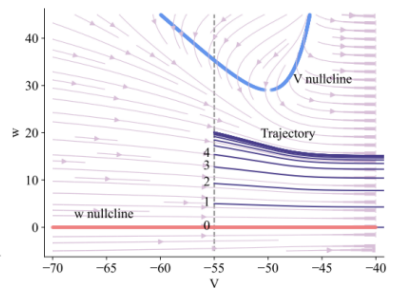
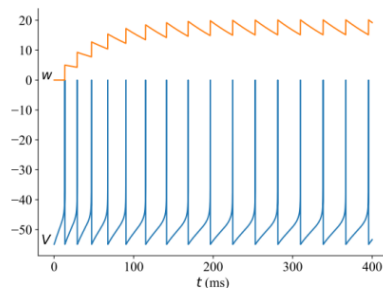
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- Bursting

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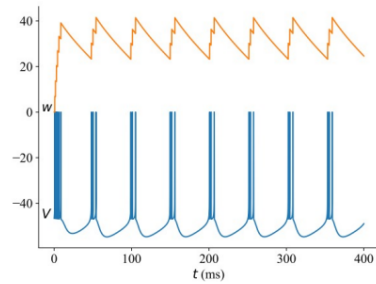
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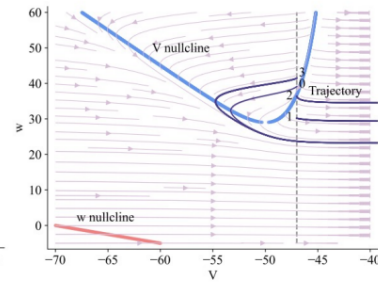
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(a) 发放模式



(b) 相平面分析

- Transient spiking(瞬态发放)

### 4. Transient spiking

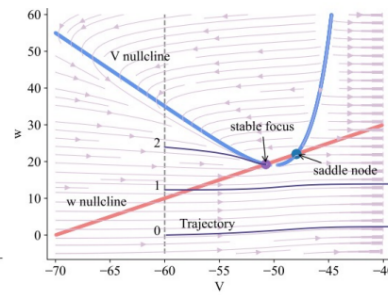
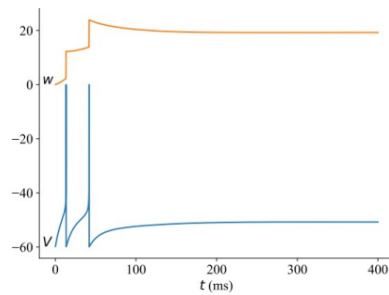
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## Dynamic analysis: bifurcation analysis

- Bifurcation analysis
  - 以一个参数为横轴，变化变量求得新的相图的固定点和鞍点、稳定焦点和不稳定焦点

Quantitative analysis of the existence and the properties of fixed points in a dynamical system with a changing parameter

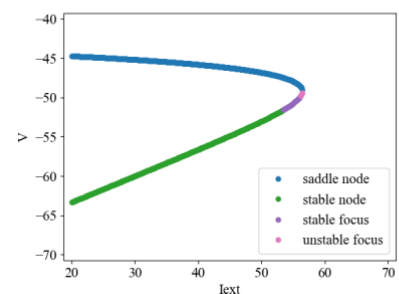
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Elements:

- Lines of fixed points
- Stability properties of fixed points





## bifurcation analysis for 2 variables

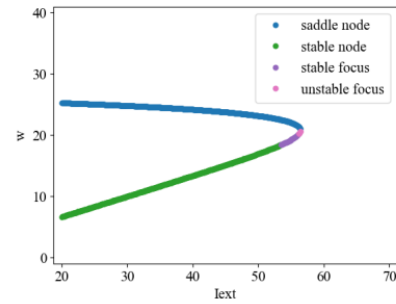
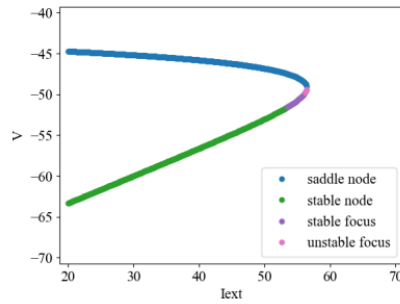
Variables:  $V$  and  $w$

Parameters:  $I_{\text{ext}}$

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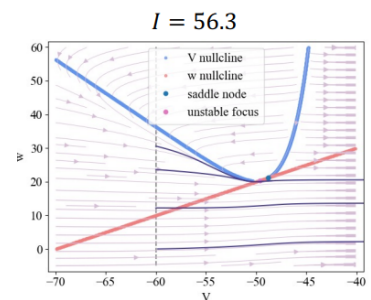
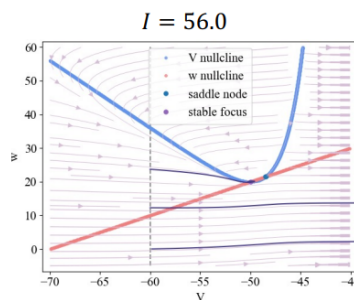
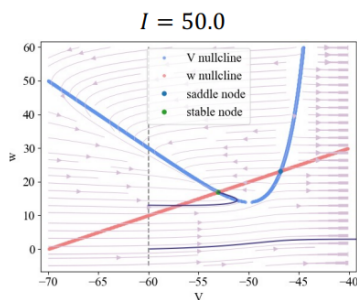
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- 需要将两张图一起看，(以横轴坐标为标准)
- 观察stable focus和 unstable focus的区别 (会产生突变) 鞍点一侧吸引一侧排斥，unstable focus 两侧都是排斥

Subjects: two variables ( $V$  and  $w$ )

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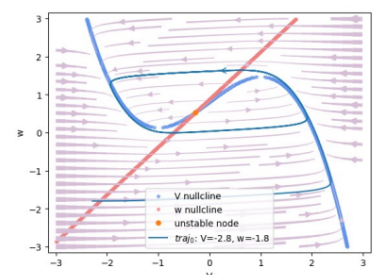
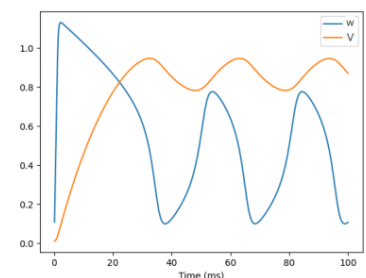
- Extended limit cycle(存在不稳定节点，相平面锁定曲线)

The FitzHugh–Nagumo (FHN) model

$$\dot{v} = v - \frac{v^3}{3} - w + R I_{\text{ext}}$$

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This dynamical system, in certain conditions, exhibits a cyclic pattern of variable changes which can be visualized as a closed trajectory in the phase plane.



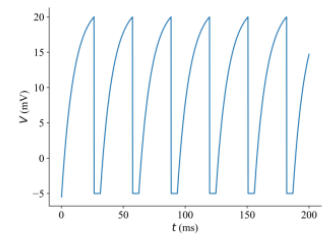
## Summary

- Strengths & weaknesses of the LIF model

- The Leaky Integrate-and-Fire (LIF) Neuron Model

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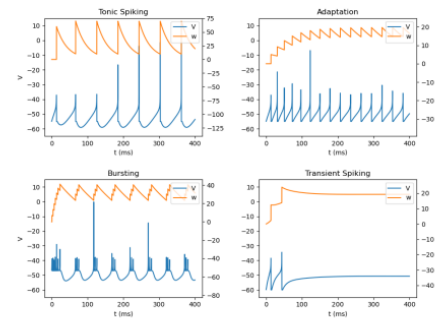


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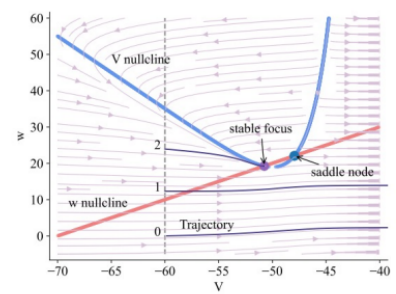
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