BT6270 Computational Neuroscience

Computational Neuroscience Assignment 1

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Hodgkin Huxley Model

1. Threshold values for External Current

The threshold values for currents are as follows:

- $I_1 = 0.023 \, \mu A/mm^2$
- $I_2 = 0.062 \, \mu A/mm^2$
- $I_3 = 0.457 \, \mu A/mm^2$

2. Assumptions

The following are the assumptions made while plotting:

- 1. The voltage **threshold value of 10mV** is set as the voltage to be considered as a spike. (*All voltage peaks greater than 10mV are considered in the spike count.*)
- 2. I₁, input current at which the spiking occurs is identified at the current when the number of spikes first becomes more than zero.
- 3. I₂, current is identified at the current at which the number of spikes **increases by more than 4** in the next current instant.*
- 4. I₃, current is identified at the current at which the number of spikes **decreases by more than 2** in the next current instant.

3. Plots

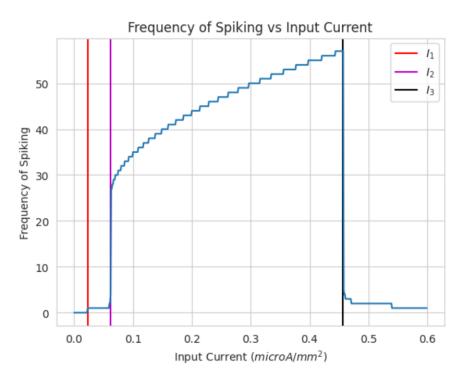


Figure 1: Change in frequency of firing as a function of Input current. The number of iterations performed for each current instance : $5x10^4$

^{*}These values are obtained with a current sampling interval of 0.001 from [0, 0.6]

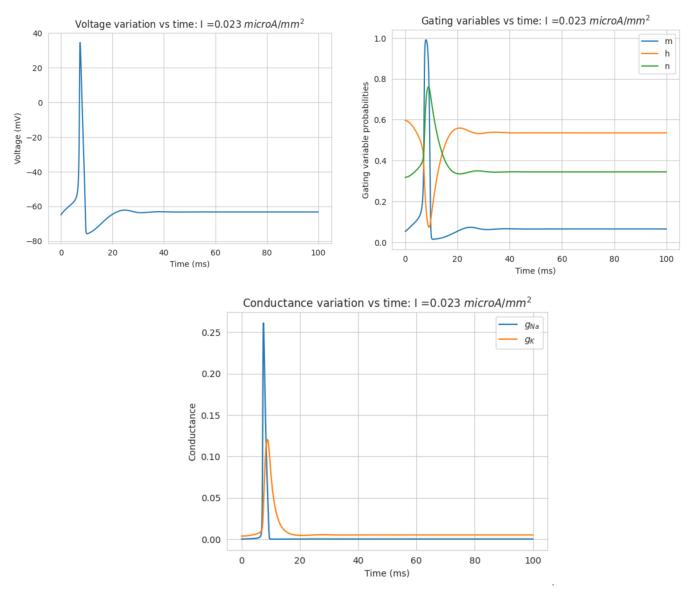


Figure 2: Variation of Voltage, Gating Variables and Conductance at current instant I_1 . A single voltage spike is observed. Number of iterations performed : 10^4

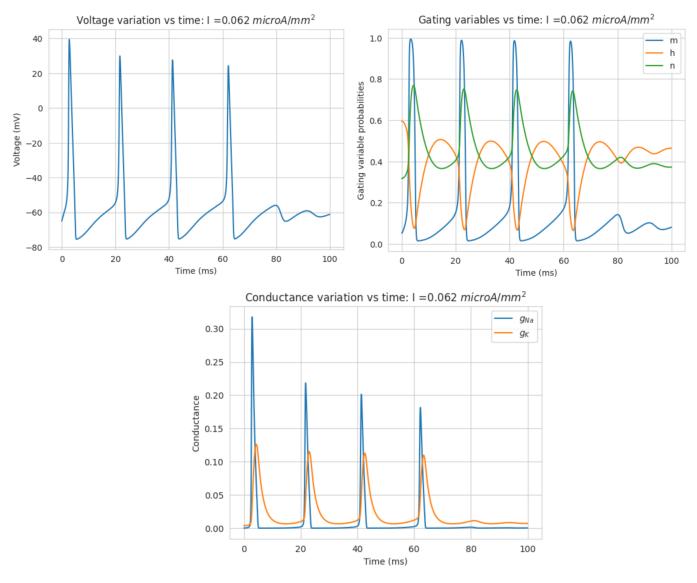


Figure 3: Variation of Voltage, Gating Variables and Conductance at current instant I_2 . Finite number of voltage spikes are observed. Number of iterations performed : 10^4

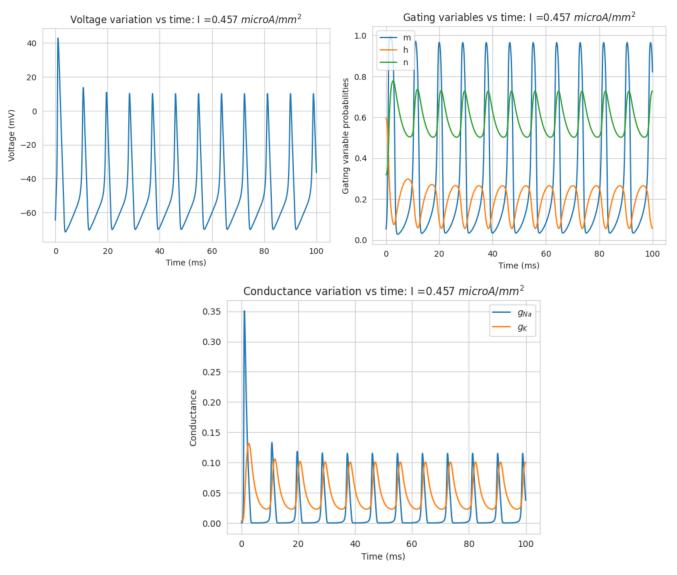


Figure 4: Variation of Voltage, Gating Variables and Conductance at current instant I_3 . Behavior similar to limit cycles is observed by the voltage spikes. Number of iterations performed: 10^4

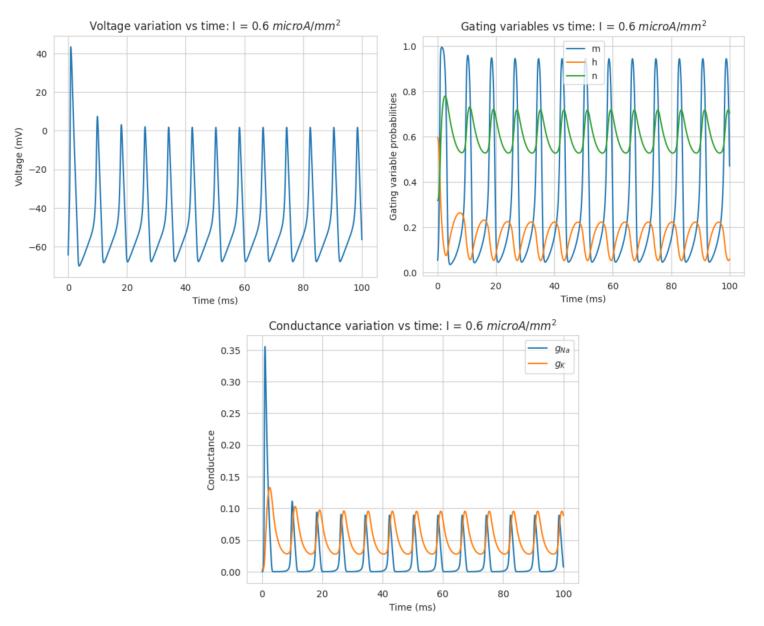


Figure 5: Variation of Voltage, Gating Variables and Conductance at an instant after I_3 (0.6 μ A/mm²). The number of spikes with amplitudes greater than 10mV has reduced drastically. Number of iterations performed : 10^4