Introduction to Scientific Python

LIF Neurons & Recap

CCNSS 2017

LIF neuron simulation

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Advanced topics



Coding Time!



Objective

Implement LIF neuron



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Extract ensemble stats



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Produce nice graphs!!!



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Introduce spikes



Coding Time!

Start IPython Notebook



Coding Time!

Start IPython Notebook

(Exercise 1)

Encode simulation parameters



Simulation parameters

```
t_max = 0.15
                   # second
dt = 1e-3
                   # second
tau = 20e-3
                   # second
el = -60e-3
                   # volt
vr = -70e-3
                   # volt
vth = -50e-3
                   # volt
r = 100e-6
                   # ohm
i_{mean} = 25e-11
                   # ampere
```

Control Flow

While loop

```
t, t_max, dt = 0, 10, 1
while t < t_max:
    print t
    t += dt
print "Finished at value t = ", t</pre>
```

```
While loop
t, t_{max}, dt = 0, 10, 1
while t < t_max:
    print t
    t += dt
print "Finished at value t = ", t
9
Finished at value t = 10
```

For loop

```
for t in [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]:
    print t

print "Finished at value t = ", t
```

```
For loop
for t in [0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]:
    print t
print "Finished at value t = ", t
Finished at value t = 9
```

```
For loop
```

```
t_max, dt = 10, 1
for t in range(0, t_max, dt):
    print t
print "Finished at value t = ", t
```

```
For loop
t_max, dt = 10, 1
for t in range(0, t_max, dt):
    print t
print "Finished at value t = ", t
Finished at value t = 9
```

 ${\sf Indentation} = {\sf logical\ structure}$

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Same spacing = same logical block

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Use 4 whitespaces (PEP 8)

http://legacy.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0008/

```
If statement
```

```
t_max = 10

if t_max >= 5:
    print "t_max is equal to or more than 5 s"
```

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t_max = 10

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t_max is equal to or more than 5 s
```

If-Else statements

```
t_max = 10
if t_max < 5:
    print "t_max is less than 5 s"
else:
    print "t_max is equal to or more than 5 s"</pre>
```

If-Else statements

```
t_{max} = 10
if t \max < 5:
    print "t_max is less than 5 s"
else:
    print "t_max is equal to or more than 5 s"
t_max is equal to or more than 5 s
```

If-Elif-Else statements

```
t_max = 10

if t_max < 1:
    print "t_max is less than 1 s"

elif t_max <= 0.5:
    print "t_max is between 1 and 5 s"

else:
    print "t_max is more than 5 s"</pre>
```

If-Elif-Else statements

t max is more than 5 s

```
t max = 10
if t \max < 1:
    print "t_max is less than 1 s"
elif t \max \le 0.5:
    print "t_max is between 1 and 5 s"
else:
    print "t_max is more than 5 s"
```

Break & Continue

Break and Continue statements

```
t, t_{max}, dt = 0, 10, 1
while t <= t_max:
    if t > 5:
        print "I'm done!"
        break
    elif t % 2 == 0:
        print t, "is even"
        t += dt
        continue
    t += dt
print "Finished at value t = ", t
```



Membrane equation

$$au_m rac{d}{dt} V(t) = E_L - V(t) + RI(t)$$

LIF Neuron Exercise



Coding Time!

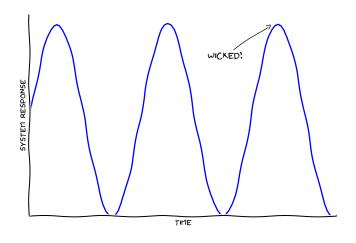
(Exercise 2)

Discrete time integration of V(t)

$$V(t+\Delta t) = V(t) + \frac{\Delta t}{\tau_m}(\cdots)$$

Plotting

Showing Your Stuff



SOME OSCILLATORY SYSTEM

Matplotlib Library



```
Key function:
```

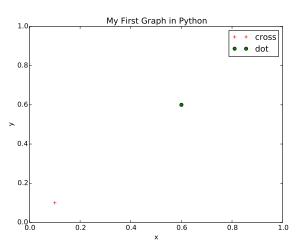
```
plot(x, y, 'r+', label='cross')
```

Key function:

```
plot(x, y, 'r+', label='cross')
```

will plot a red cross at position (x, y) with label 'cross'

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
x1, y1, x2, y2 = 0.1, 0.1, 0.6, 0.6
plt.figure()
plt.plot(x1, y1, 'r+', label='cross')
plt.plot(x2, y2, 'go', label='dot')
plt.title('My First Graph in Python')
plt.xlabel('x')
plt.ylabel('y')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```



Plotting Lists

```
x = range(10)
print x
```

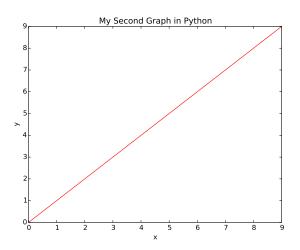
Plotting Lists

```
x = range(10)
print x
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
```

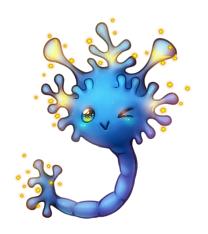
Plotting Lists

```
x = range(10)
print x
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]
plot(x, x, 'ro')
```

Simple Plot II



LIF Neuron Exercise



Coding Time!

(Exercise 3)

Plot V(t) time course

(Exercise 4)

Stochastic input currents

```
mylist = [100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j]
print mylist[0]
```

```
mylist = [100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j]
print mylist[0]
100
```

```
mylist = [100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j]
print mylist[0]
100
mylist = [100, 1000.0, "John", (0.5+0.5j), 10.0]
del mylist[-1]
print mylist
```

```
mylist = [100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j]
print mylist[0]
100
mylist = [100, 1000.0, "John", (0.5+0.5j), 10.0]
del mylist[-1]
print mylist
[100, 1000.0, 'John', (0.5+0.5j)]
```

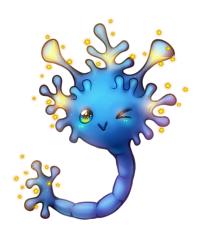
```
mylist = [100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j]
print mylist[1:3]
```

```
mylist = [100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j]
print mylist[1:3]
[1000.0, 'John']
```

```
mylist = [100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j]
print mylist[1:3]
[1000.0, 'John']
print mylist[1:]
```

```
mylist = [100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j]
print mylist[1:3]
[1000.0, 'John']
print mylist[1:]
[1000.0, 'John', 0.5 + 0.5j]
```

LIF Neuron Exercise



Coding Time!

(Exercise 5, 6, 7 and 8)

Ensemble statistics

```
mydict = {'qty': 100, 'person': "John"}
print mydict
```

```
mydict = {'qty': 100, 'person': "John"}
print mydict
{'person': 'John', 'qty': 100}
```

```
mydict = {'qty': 100, 'person': "John"}
print mydict
{'person': 'John', 'qty': 100}
print mydict['person']
```

```
mydict = {'qty': 100, 'person': "John"}
print mydict
{'person': 'John', 'qty': 100}
print mydict['person']
John
```

```
mydict = {'qty': 100, 'person': "John"}
print mydict.keys()
```

```
mydict = {'qty': 100, 'person': "John"}
print mydict.keys()
['person', 'qty']
```

```
mydict = {'qty': 100, 'person': "John"}
print mydict.keys()
['person', 'qty']
print mydict.values()
```

```
mydict = {'qty': 100, 'person': "John"}
print mydict.keys()
['person', 'qty']
print mydict.values()
['John', 100]
```

LIF Neuron Exercise



Membrane equation with reset condition

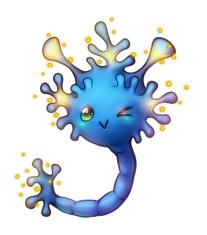
If
$$V(t) < V_{th}$$

$$au_m rac{d}{dt} \, V(t) = E_L - V(t) + RI(t)$$

Else

$$V(t) = V_r$$
 record spike at time t

LIF Neuron Exercise



Coding Time!

(Exercise 9)

Output spikes

(Exercise 10)

Refractory period Integration step

Functions

Functions

Modules

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Modules

Packages

```
def mysum(a, b):
    '''Return a + b'''
    return a + b
```

```
def mysum(a, b):
    '''Return a + b'''
    return a + b

print mysum(1, 2)
3
```

```
def mysum(a, b):
  ''''Return a + b'''
  return a + b
print mysum(1, 2)
help(mysum)
Help on function mysum in module __main__:
mysum(a, b=2)
 Return a + b
```

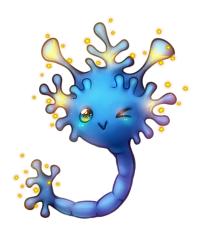
```
Call by argument names

print mysum(a=1, b=2)

3
```

```
Call by argument names
print mysum(a=1, b=2)
3
Mandatory arguments vs default values
def mysum(a, b=2):
  ''', Return a + 2 or a + b'''
  return a + b
print mysum(1)
```

LIF Neuron Exercise



Coding Time!

(Exercise 11)

Use functions

```
def mysum(a, b=2):
    '''Return a + 2 or a + b'''
    return a + b
```

Save as file mymath.py

```
def mysum(a, b=2):
  ''', Return a + 2 or a + b'''
  return a + b
Save as file mymath.py
import mymath
print mymath.mysum(1, 2)
3
```

Import Types

```
import mymath as mm
print mm.mysum(1, 2)
3
```

Import Types

```
import mymath as mm
print mm.mysum(1, 2)
3
from mymath import mysum
print mysum(1, 2)
3
```

Import Types

```
import mymath as mm
print mm.mysum(1, 2)
3
from mymath import mysum
print mysum(1, 2)
from mymath import *
print mysum(1, 2)
3
```

Word of advice: be explicit!

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np.array, plt.plot

...you'll get used to it.

Packages



Fundamental package for scientific computing

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Linear algebra, Fourier transform and random numbers

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Broadcasting functions

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Integrate C/C++ and Fortran code

Scipy

Partner of Numpy package

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Fundamental library for scientific computing



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Partner of Numpy package

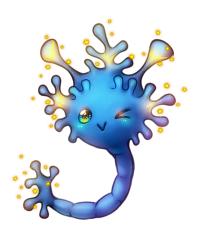
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Special functions
Integration
Optimization
Interpolation
Signal Processing
Statistics
Multidimensional image processing

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Coding Time!

(Exercise 12)

Using NumPy

Advanced Topics

```
One-liner for loops
squares = []
for x in range(5):
    squares += [x**2]
print squares
```

```
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squares = []
for x in range(5):
    squares += [x**2]
print squares
[0, 1, 4, 9, 16]
```

```
One-liner for loops
squares = []
for x in range(5):
    squares += [x**2]
print squares
[0, 1, 4, 9, 16]
squares = [x**2 \text{ for } x \text{ in range}(10)]
print squares
```

```
One-liner for loops
squares = []
for x in range(5):
    squares += [x**2]
print squares
[0, 1, 4, 9, 16]
squares = [x**2 \text{ for } x \text{ in range}(10)]
print squares
[0, 1, 4, 9, 16]
```

Enumerate Construct

Returning indexes and elements

```
mylist = ['pyramidal', 'inhibitory', 'glial']
for idx, item in enumerate(mylist):
    print idx, item
```

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```

```
mylist = ['pyramidal', 'inhibitory', 'glial']
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    print idx, item
```

- 0 pyramidal
- 1 inhibitory
- 2 glial

```
Tuples are read-only lists
```

```
mytuple = (100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j)
print mytuple[0:1]
```

```
Tuples are read-only lists

mytuple = (100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j)
print mytuple[0:1]

(100,)
```

```
Tuples are read-only lists

mytuple = (100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j)
print mytuple[0:1]

(100,)

print mytuple[0:1][0]
```

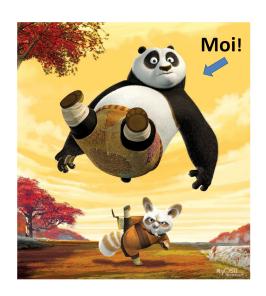
```
Tuples are read-only lists
mytuple = (100, 1000.0, "John", 0.5 + 0.5j)
print mytuple[0:1]
(100,)
print mytuple[0:1][0]
100
```

Return unique elements of lists and tuples

```
myset = set([1,1,2,3,4])
print myset
```

Return unique elements of lists and tuples

```
myset = set([1,1,2,3,4])
print myset
set([1, 2, 3, 4])
```



That's all folks!