

# Step Current Response of the HH Model

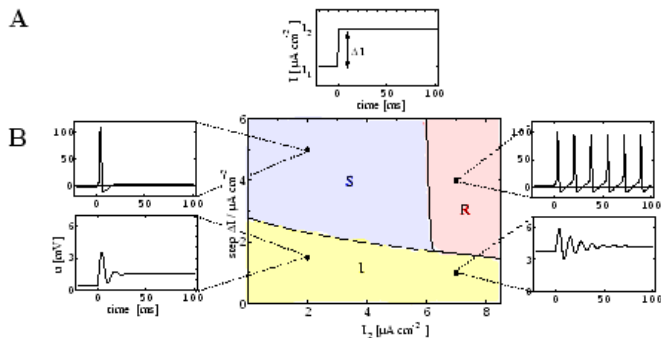
Eleftherios Ioannidis  
elefthei@mit.edu

James Hobin  
hobinjk@mit.edu

MIT EECS

December 4, 2014

# HH Model Step Current Response



Step Current Stimulation Phase diagram

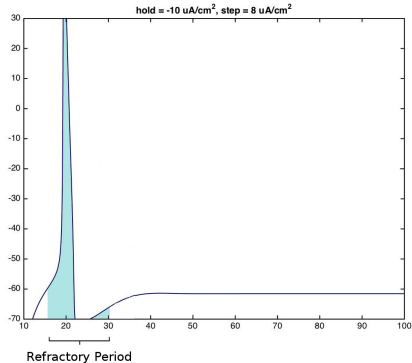
# Hypothesis

$$t = \frac{C_m}{I_m V_a}$$

$$f \propto J$$

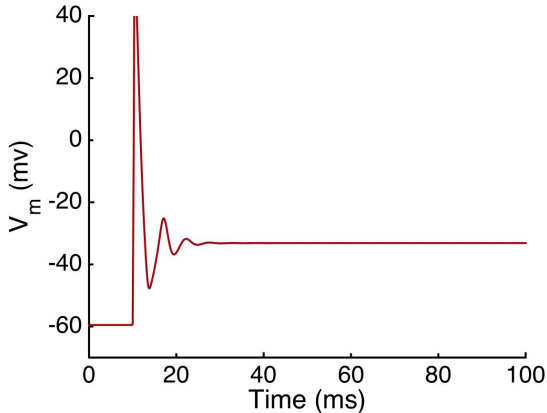
The train frequency is proportional to the current density

# Applications: Refractory Period



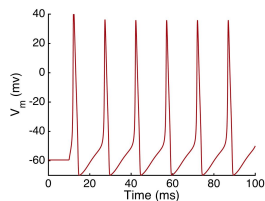
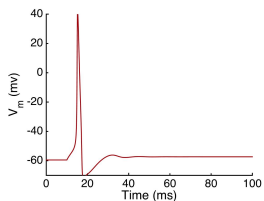
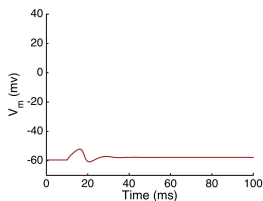
Reducing the Refractory Period can lead to faster reflexes.

# Applications: Neuron Inhibition



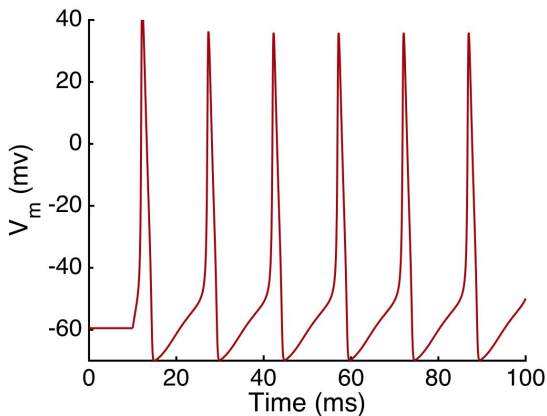
High current fully damps neuron response

# Simulation Response Regions



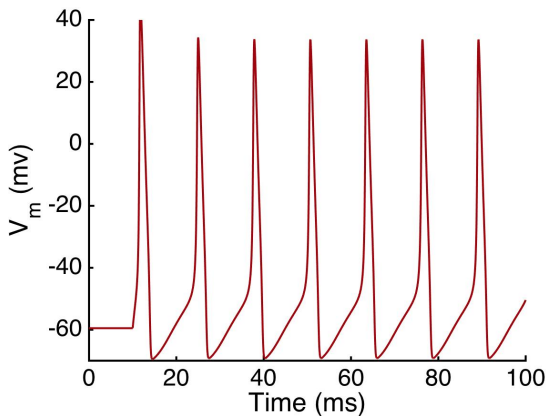
Response in the *Ringing*, *Single AP* and *AP Train* regions

# HH Model Action Train



Stepping to  $10 \mu A/cm^2$

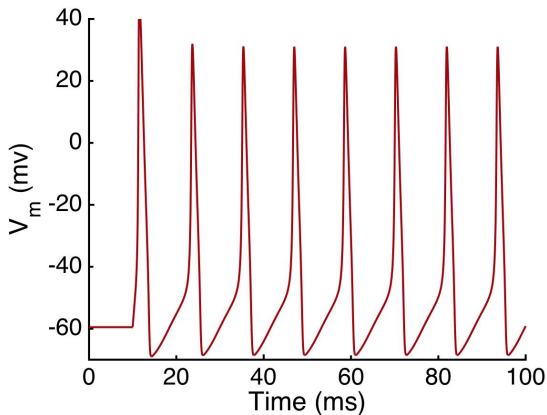
# HH Model Action Train



Stepping to 15  $\mu A/cm^2$

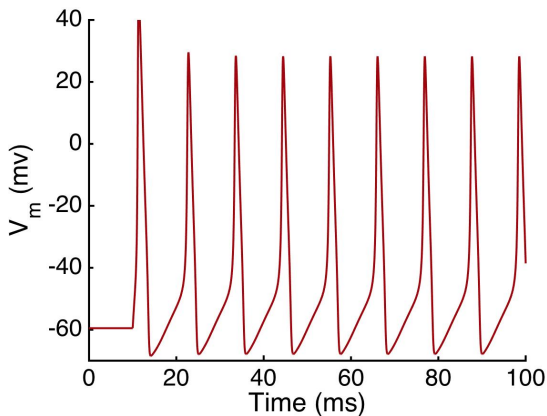


# HH Model Action Train

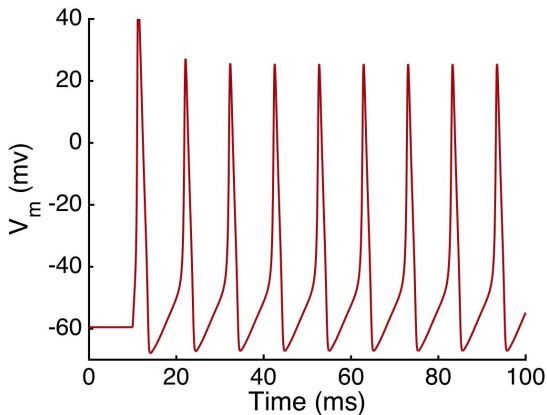


Stepping to  $20 \mu A/cm^2$

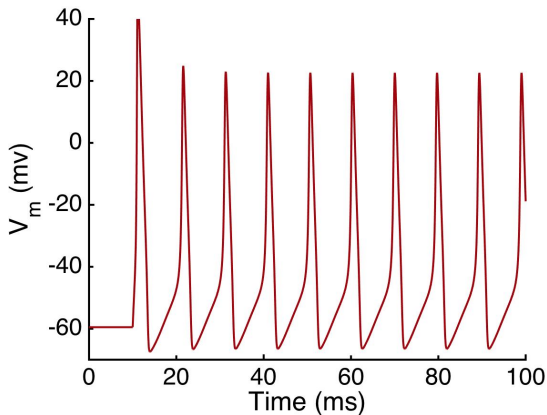
# HH Model Action Train



# HH Model Action Train

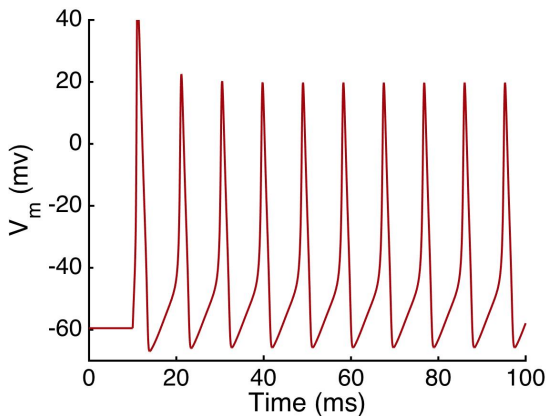


# HH Model Action Train

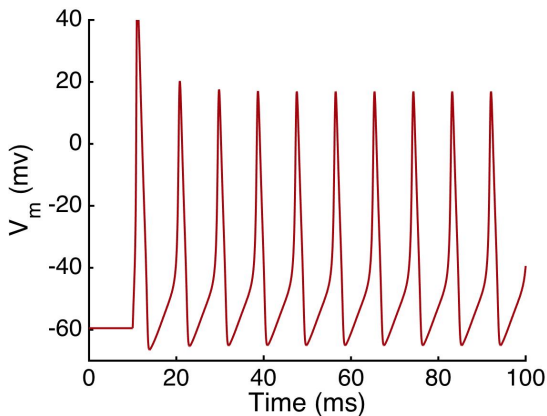


Stepping to  $35 \mu A/cm^2$

# HH Model Action Train

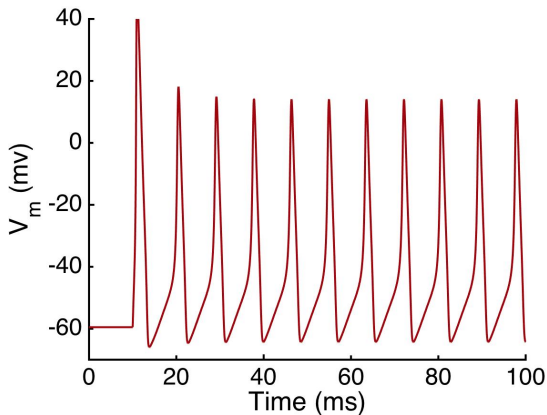


# HH Model Action Train



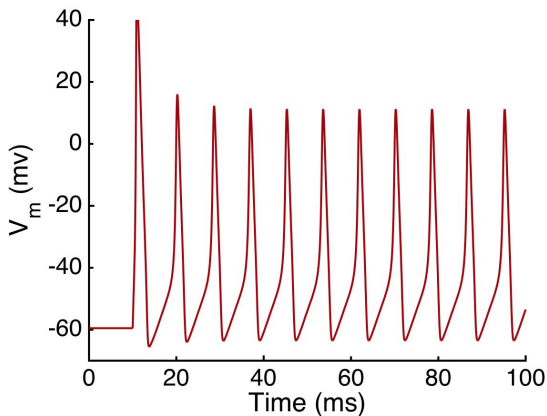
Stepping to  $45 \mu A/cm^2$

# HH Model Action Train



Stepping to  $50 \mu A/cm^2$

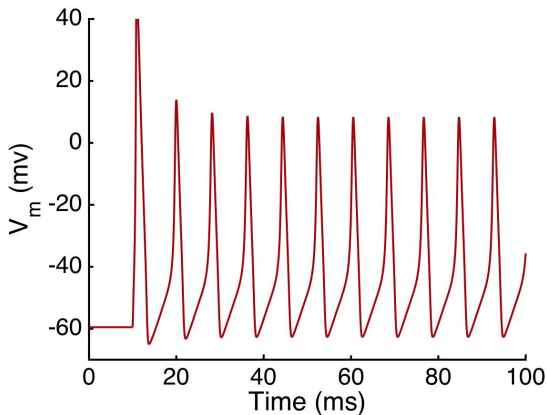
# HH Model Action Train



Stepping to  $55 \mu A/cm^2$

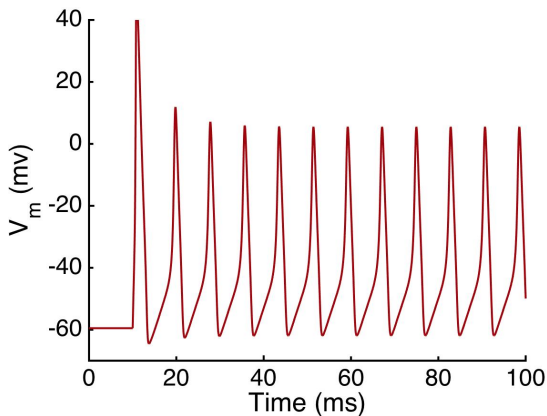


# HH Model Action Train

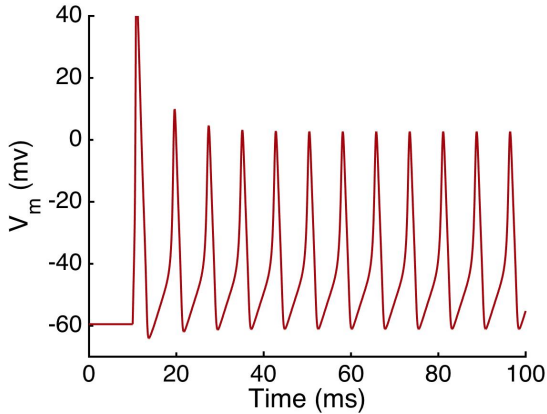


Stepping to  $60 \mu A/cm^2$

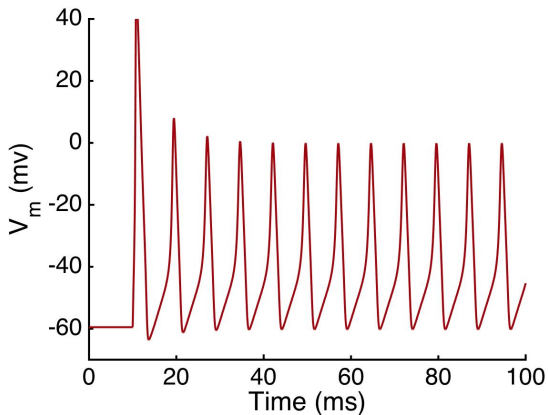
# HH Model Action Train



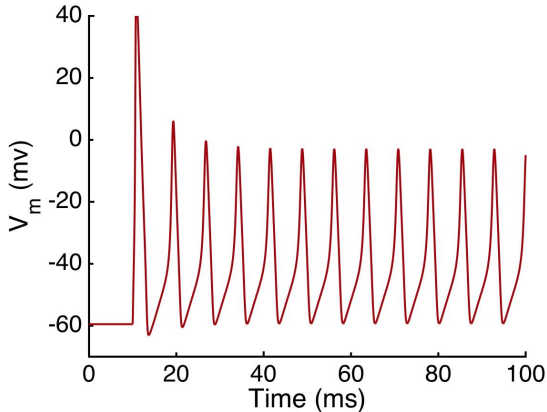
# HH Model Action Train



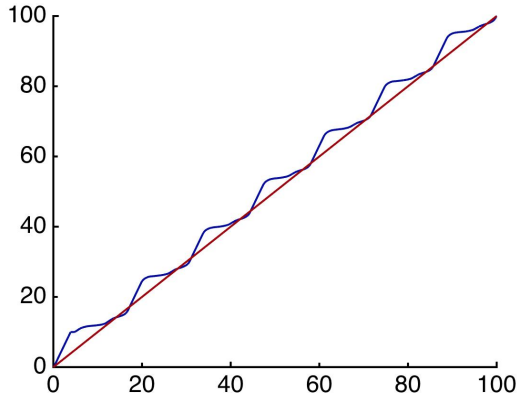
# HH Model Action Train



# HH Model Action Train

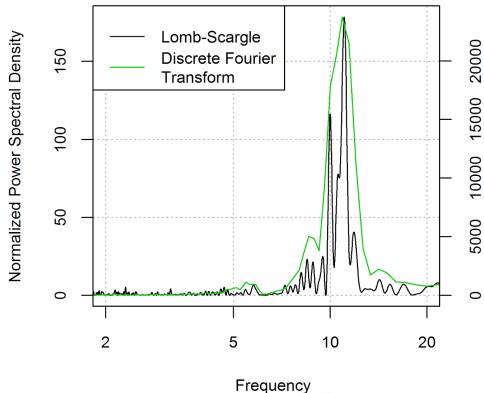


# Fourier Transform Insufficient: Inconsistent Time Intervals



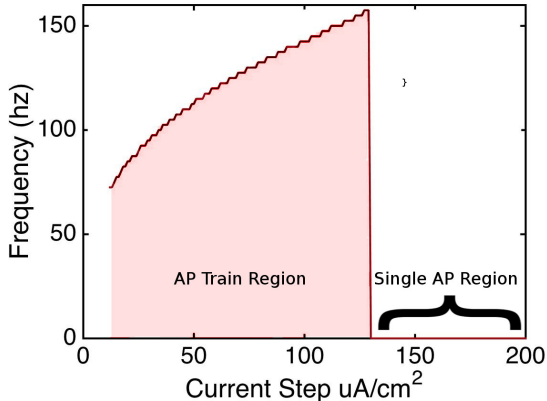
FFT insufficient, need a better Spectral Analysis Method

# Least-Squares Spectral Analysis



The Lomb-Scargle Periodogram works with variable intervals.

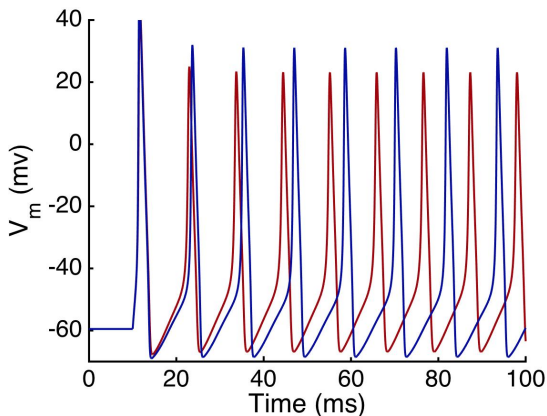
# Graphing the Train Frequency



Nonlinearity shows complexity of behavior

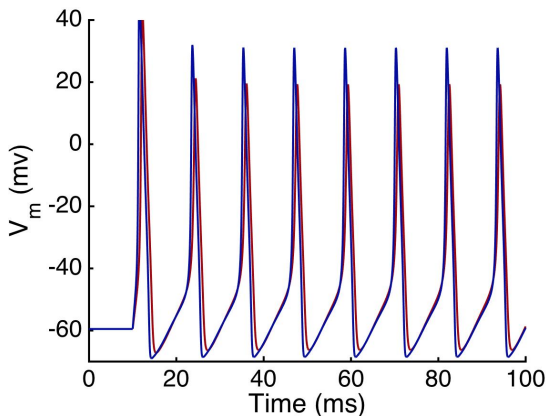


# Naive Mechanism



Equal ratio of current to capacitance

# Mechanism



Unequal ratio of current to capacitance

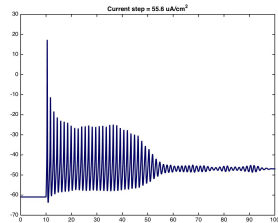
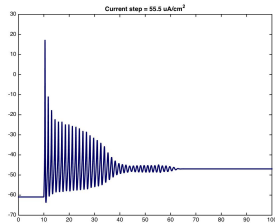
# Conclusion

- 1 Innovative experimental method
- 2 Clear definition of saturation threshold
- 3 High accuracy prediction of cell response
- 4 Refuted possible simplification

# References

- 1 Weiss, T. F. (1995). Cellular Biophysics. Volume 1: Transport, MIT Press.
- 2 Weiss, T. F. (1995). Cellular Biophysics. Volume 2: Electrical Properties, MIT Press.
- 3 Blaustein, M.P., Kao, J.P.Y., Matteson, D.R. (2012). Cellular Physiology and Neurophysiology, 2nd edition, Elsevier-Mosby.
- 4 Gerstner, Wulfram, and Werner M. Kistler. Spiking neuron models: Single neurons, populations, plasticity. Cambridge university press, 2002.
- 5 Press, William H., and George B. Rybicki. "Fast algorithm for spectral analysis of unevenly sampled data." The Astrophysical Journal 338 (1989): 277–280.

# Anomalies With Default HH Model Settings



Incorrect behavior due to low precision