Computational Lab Notebook

AdEx implementation in NetPyNe

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1 Information

1.1 Project name

Adaptative Exponential Integrate and Fire (AdEx) implementation in Netpyne

1.2 Project date

This project started in June 2021

1.3 Motivation

The Kerr Lab implemented a previous version of the AdEx model. The basic idea here was to implement an AdEx Class.

Should netpyne provide a basic NEURON models, such as AdEx, izhikevic, integrate and fire?

Does NEURON provide those models?

To solve those questions, I propose to implement the AdEx model in NEURON and then, plug it into NetPyNe, as a new functionality.

1.4 Publications

1. NetPyNe Paper (Dura-Bernal et al., 2019)

1.5 Digital verification

not yet

1.6 Links

- The NetPyNe project is available at http://www.netpyne.org/
- Dura-Bernal Laboratory could be reached at http://dura-bernal.org/
- The whole project is archived in github as digital repository. It may be found in the following link: https://github.com/jpalma-espinosa/netpyne

1.7 Additional Credits

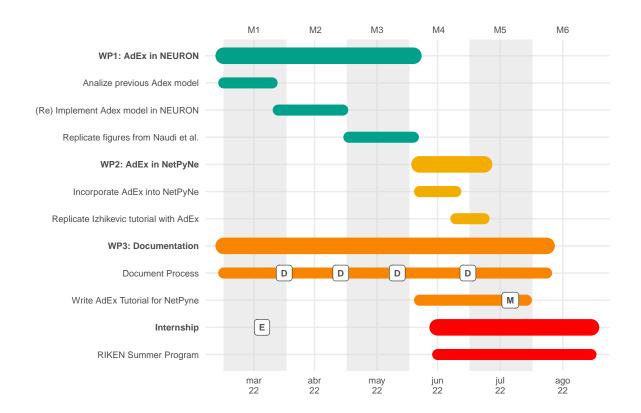
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2 Changelog

log	Commit	Date
added gantt chart to labNotebook	c4bc781	2022-02-27
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Computational Lab Notebook File	1abe955	2022-02-26
updated		20:47:25
update in project structure. New	cb63c70	2022-02-26
documentation available		20:29:36
Pseudo working example of	10a7bcb	2021-07-20
Adex2021b		20:44:24
Changed typo in README	4601b03	2021-07-07
		05:46:44
Upload new documents. Thoughts	be151ad	2021-07-07
and ideas in README		05:35:18
Notes name changed	026e684	2021-07-01
		06:40:27
Ball-Stick class is created (not	ffda310	2021-07-01
working).		06:30:44

3 Work Plan (Gantt Chart)

wp	activity	start_date	end_date
WP1: AdEx in NEURON	Analize previous Adex model	22-03-01	22-03-25
WP1: AdEx in NEURON	(Re) Implement Adex model in NEURON	22-03-28	22-04-29
WP1: AdEx in NEURON	Replicate figures from Naudi et al.	22-05-02	22-06-03
WP2: AdEx in NetPyNe	Incorporate AdEx into NetPyNe	22-06-06	22-06-24
WP2: AdEx in NetPyNe	Replicate Izhikevic tutorial with AdEx	22-06-24	22-07-08
WP3: Documentation	Document Process	22-03-01	22-08-08
WP3: Documentation	Write AdEx Tutorial for NetPyne	22-06-06	22-07-29
Internship	RIKEN Summer Program	22-06-15	22-08-30



3.1 WP1: AdEx in NEURON

1. I will first analyze the AdEx.mod file/model based on what Kerr Lab did previously. This particu-

lar file has the characteristic that it kindda implement some Point Process that could might be

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useful for the Adex.

2. After the code is understood, I will re-implement the model and make some parametrization

and test the firing in NEURON.

3. With the previous working adex model, I will replicate the different behavior that is shown in

the Naud paper(Naud et al., 2008)

3.2 WP2: AdEx in NetPyNe

1. Assuming that adex.mod is working in NEURON, I will then plug it into NetPyNe. First, I will do

a simple single spiking neuron. Then, I will test a network of AdEx neurons.

2. Finally, and for a proper implementation and documentation of the model, I will replicate and

write a new tutorial, based on the Izhikevic one

3.3 WP3: Documentation

During the whole project, I will be writting and documenting every step. This process will be shown

in this Lab Notebook.

3.4 Project's key activities

Deliverables: Montly meeting update.

Milestone: Full project presentation (labmeeting).

Event: Result from RIKEN

4 Daily Report

4.1 Jul 19th, 2021

After the meeting with Salvador, on Jul 6th, and by following his advices, I replicated what was developed in the izhikevich model. In particular the b part. Briefly, the models could be sumarized as:

Characteristic	Izhi2003a	Izhi2003b	Izhi2007a	Izhi2007b
Kind	P.Proc.	P.Proc.	P.Proc.	P.Proc.
Section	Dummy	Regular	Dummy	Regular
Synaptic input	yes	no	yes	yes
Synaptic method	$g_{syn}' = \\ -g_{syn}/\tau_g$	_	AMPA/NMDA/GABℓ dynamics dependent	
Implemented in Netpyne	no	no	yes	no

I focused on replicating the Izhi2007b.

Results:

- 1. I was able to build and compile Adex2021b (I am keeping the name scheme).
- 2. I was able to replicate the Izhikevic tutorial, but now using Adex (adex.ipynb).

Drawbacks:

1. my neuron does not fire, even further, I get an error

```
See http://neuron.yale.edu/neuron/credits

loading membrane mechanisms from

→ /home/javier/Neuroscience/netpyne/AdEx/x86_64/.libs/libnrnmech.so

Additional mechanisms from files

"./mod/adex.mod" "./mod/izhi2007b.mod"

nrniv: unable to open font "*helvetica-medium-r-normal*--14*", using "fixed" oc> -65

Segmentation violation

Backtrace:
terminate called after throwing an instance of 'std::regex_error'
```

```
what(): regex_error
Aborted (core dumped)
```

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I need to debug the .mod file, but I don't know how

4.2 Jul 6th, 2021

I only read a couple of documents from Neuron tutorial and from a MIT tutorial on Neuron. The important part here was to examinate how to properly define the puntual neuron AdEx. It seems that my model needs to considerate an external current *FROM* an external point mechanism. For this, I will need to re-study the integrate and fire model that is proposed in the Neuron Github page

4.3 Jun 30th, 2021

I was on halt because I had to deal with my master thesis. I am now a Master of Science :D.

Because the previous implementation wasn't sucessful, I asked wheter AdEx should be defined as a mechanism or a point neuron (see De Schutter book, Ch. 7). The way that NEURON is implemented, makes logical to define AdEx as a point process and define it as ARTIFICIAL_CELL. To do this, I have to understand how NET_RECEIVE (w) process works.

This code block is better defined in the Neuron Book (Ch. 10)

4.4 Jun 7th, 2021

I was able to run the izhikevic tutorial. Also, I wrote the Adex.mod file, by replicating what was done with izhi2007b.mod. However, I am still not able to produce a spike in the Adex model. The izhikevic one has some strange way of calculating the derivative states. What is the difference between those two forms of calculation? Also, how can I incorporate the synapses in the Adex neuron?

The izhikevic (and adex) is implemented as a POINT PROCESS (see also NEURON documentation), contrary to the HH model.

5 Preliminary Results

6 Meetings

6.1 Thursday, 23th feb. 2022

• Hour: 18:00 - 18:20 GMT-03

• Reason: Project's redefinition and continuity.

This meeting was mainly to update Salvador about my performance on the last semester. I explained him why I set aside this project, what were my interests and motivations. We decided that I should continue with this idea.

In order to do it, I committed to come along (on Thu, 03rd march) with a gantt chart and a proper task definition for achieving the project. The gantt chart is on the workplan page

7 Computing tools, code snippets, and tips.

7.1 CODE: Fast prototipying in code (2021-12-27)

One of my biggest mistakes is to try to build, at first, a very complicated piece of software, which is amendable for programmer, but also efficient as hell. I must focus on building a working piece of software and then improve it!

7.2 CODE: git store credential

Username: <type your username>
Password: <type your password>

general formula:

```
// local
git config credential.helper store
// global
git config --global credential.helper store

$ git config credential.helper store
$ git push http://example.com/repo.git
```

Notice that **Password** is the code obtained from the github access token

several days later

```
$ git push http://example.com/repo.git
[your credentials are used automatically]
```

8 Papers summary

References

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