

1.1 The power of the brain

- a) Average energy consumption in human brain per action potential:

$$E = \frac{P_{Brain}}{N_{Neu} \nu} = 2 \cdot 10^{-10} J$$

- b) Average energy consumption in human brain per synaptic event:

$$E = \frac{P_{Brain}}{N_{Syn} \nu} = 2 \cdot 10^{-14} J$$

- c) Energy consumption per spike and synaptic event in simulation:

$$E_{spike} = \frac{P_K t}{N_{Neu,K}} = 24.6 J$$

$$E_{syn} = \frac{P_K t}{N_{Neu,K} \cdot N_{partner}} = 0.004 J$$

- d) Scale up of simulations:

$$P_{scale} = 100 \cdot P_K = 1.26 GW$$

- e) Power after speed up the K computer:

$$P_{speed} = \frac{t_{simul}}{t_{real}} P_{scale} = 3024 GW$$

The nuclear power plant Sedai has two reactors, each with 890 MW output.

$$N_{PowerPlants} = \frac{P_{speed}}{P_{NPP}} = 1700$$

1.2 Stimulus Currents

Simplified equivalent circuit:

$$C_m \frac{du}{dt} = g_l(u - E_l) + I_{ext}$$

- a) Dirac delta function: $I(t) = I_0 \cdot \frac{C_m}{g_l} \delta(t - t_0)$

$$C_m \frac{du}{dt} = g_l(u - E_l) + I_0 \cdot \frac{C_m}{g_l} \delta(t - t_0)$$

Look for solution of homogenous equation:

$$C_m \frac{du}{dt} = g_l u$$

$$\frac{du}{u} = \frac{g_l}{C_m} dt \Rightarrow u = D e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} t}$$

$D \rightarrow D(t)$:

$$C_m \dot{u} = C_m \dot{D}(t) e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} + D(t) g_l e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} = g_l D(t) e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} - g_l E_l + I_0 \frac{C_m}{g_l} \delta(t - t_0)$$

$$\frac{dD}{dt} = e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} \left(\frac{I_0}{g_l} \delta(t - t_0) - \frac{g_l}{C_m} E_l \right)$$

$$D(t) - D_0 = \int e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} \frac{I_0}{g_l} \delta(t - t_0) dt - \int e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} \frac{g_l}{C_m} E_l dt = \frac{I_0}{g_l} e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t_0} \theta(t - t_0) + E_l e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t}$$

Putting everything together yields:

$$u(t) = \left(D_0 + \frac{I_0}{g_l} e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t_0} \theta(t - t_0) + E_l e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} \right) e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} = D_0 e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} + \frac{I_0}{g_l} e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} (t - t_0)} \theta(t - t_0) + E_l$$

- b) Step current: $I(t) = I_0 \cdot \theta(t - t_0)$

The homogenous solution is the same as before, so:

$$\begin{aligned}
 D - D_0 &= \frac{1}{C_m} \int e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} I_0 \Theta(t - t_0) dt - \int e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} \frac{g_l}{C_m} E_l dt \\
 &= \frac{I_0}{C_m} \frac{C_m}{g_l} \theta(t - t_0) \left(e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t_0} - e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} \right) + E_l e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t}
 \end{aligned}$$

Putting everything together yields:

$$u(t) = D_0 e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} + E_l + \frac{I_0}{g_l} \theta(t - t_0) \left(e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} (t - t_0)} - 1 \right)$$

- c) Exponential current: $I(t) = I_0 \cdot \Theta(t - t_0) \cdot \frac{C_m}{\tau_s g_l} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{t - t_0}{\tau_s}\right)$

Using the same as before:

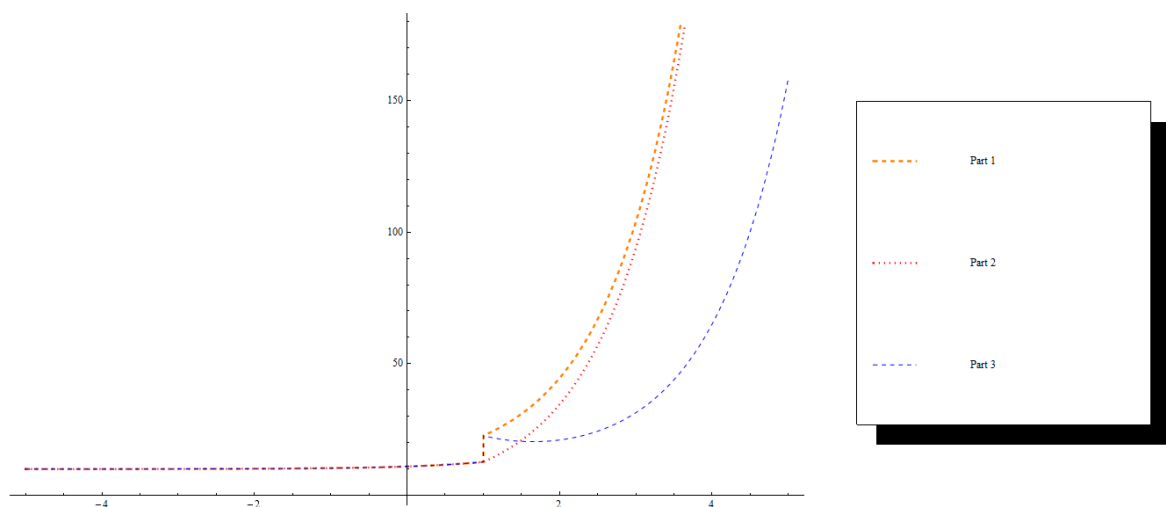
$$\begin{aligned}
 D - D_0 &= \frac{1}{C_m} \int e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} I_0 \Theta(t - t_0) \frac{C_m}{\tau_s g_l} \exp\left(-\frac{t - t_0}{\tau_s}\right) dt - \int e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} \frac{g_l}{C_m} E_l dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{\tau_s g_l} e^{\frac{t_0}{\tau_s}} I_0 \int_{t_0}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\left(\frac{g_l}{C_m} + \frac{1}{\tau_s}\right) t\right) dt + E_l e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\tau_s g_l} e^{\frac{t_0}{\tau_s}} I_0 \frac{1}{\frac{g_l}{C_m} + \frac{1}{\tau_s}} \left(\exp\left(-\left(\frac{g_l}{C_m} + \frac{1}{\tau_s}\right) t_0\right) - \exp\left(-\left(\frac{g_l}{C_m} + \frac{1}{\tau_s}\right) t\right) \right) \theta(t - t_0) + E_l e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} \\
 &= \frac{I_0}{g_l} \frac{1}{\frac{g_l \tau_s}{C_m} + 1} \left(\exp\left(-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t_0\right) - \exp\left(-\left(\frac{g_l}{C_m} + \frac{1}{\tau_s}\right) t\right) \right) \theta(t - t_0) + E_l e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} t}
 \end{aligned}$$

Putting everything together:

$$u(t) = E_l + D_0 e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} + \frac{I_0}{g_l} \frac{1}{\frac{g_l \tau_s}{C_m} + 1} \theta(t - t_0) \left(e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} (t - t_0)} - \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau_s}\right) \right)$$

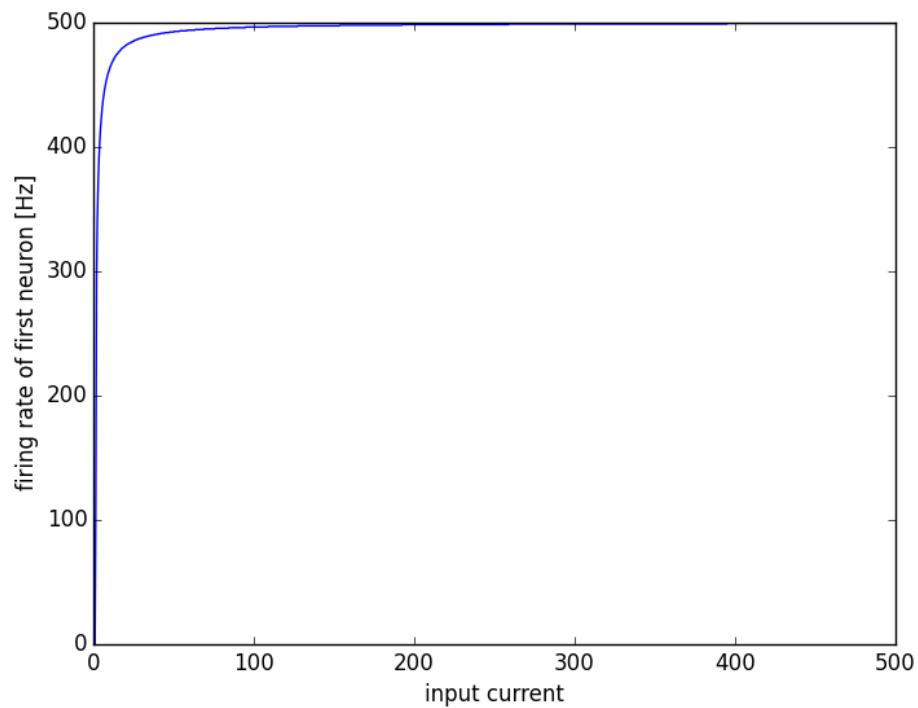
- d) In the limit of very short synaptic time constants $\tau_s \rightarrow 0$ we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{\tau_s \rightarrow 0} u(t) &= E_l + D_0 e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} \\
 &+ \theta(t - t_0) \left(\frac{I_0}{g_l} e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} (t - t_0)} \lim_{\tau_s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\frac{\tau_s}{C_m} + 1} - \frac{I_0}{g_l} \lim_{\tau_s \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\frac{\tau_s}{C_m} + 1} \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau_s}\right) \right) \\
 &= E_l + D_0 e^{\frac{g_l}{C_m} t} + \theta(t - t_0) \left(\frac{I_0}{g_l} e^{-\frac{g_l}{C_m} (t - t_0)} - \frac{I_0}{g_l} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$



1.3 Facets Live!

Two-neuron demo: output firing rate of first neuron as a function of its input current:



Firing rate of second neuron as a function of its input firing rate:

