

Critical states of slow pattern in neuronal networks

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Network Dynamics

- Network response correspond to specific neuronal parameter, including fire rate, degree of irregularity, spatiotemporal patterns in neuronal spike trains and neuronal critical dynamics.
- Explor the influence of simulation size of neuronal network as well as the community structural network. 2000, 5000, 10000, ..., 100 million.
- Synapse density and input heterogeneity.(to be confirmed)

Theoretical explanation

Mainly three aspects. . .

- Explain the mechanism underly the trainsition dynamics.
 - input current variability analysis.
 - Mean-filed equation and hopf bifuraction
 - The real part of fixed point is decreasing.
- fit the network response with a simple f unction.

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single neuron dynamics

Original model

$$C_j \dot{V}_j = - \sum_{A=L,E,I} g_A^j (V_j - E_A),$$

where $\frac{g_{E,I}^j}{g_L^j} = \tau_j \sum_m \sum_k |t_m^k| < t \int_{-\infty}^t dt' a_{\tau_{decay}}(t - t') \delta(t' - t_m^k),$

usually, $a_{\tau_{decay}}(t) = e^{-t/\tau_{decay}} / \tau_{decay}$, but here we use the limit that $\tau_{decay} \rightarrow 0$.

single neuron dynamics

- excitatory and inhibitory currents must be fine-tuned to produce an average input below threshold. Specifically, if K and J represent the average number of input connections per neuron and synaptic efficacy, respectively, the difference between excitatory and inhibitory presynaptic inputs must be of the order of $1/KJ$.
- input fluctuations should be large enough to drive firing.

single neuron dynamics

We can use the diffusion approximation and approximate the conductances as

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{g_E}{g_L} &= a_{TL} \left[Kr_E + \sqrt{Kr_E} \zeta_E \right], \\ \frac{g_I}{g_L} &= ag_{TL} \left[\gamma Kr_I + \sqrt{\gamma Kr_I} \zeta_I \right]\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

single neuron dynamics

Using the diffusion approximation, OU process, the CV equation can be reduced to

$$\tau \frac{dV}{dt} = -V + \mu + \sigma(V) \sqrt{\tau} \zeta \quad (2)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tau^{-1} &= \tau_L^{-1} + aK (r_E + r_I g \gamma) \\ \mu &= \tau \{ E_L / \tau_L + aK [r_E E_E + r_I g \gamma E_I] \} \\ \sigma^2(V) &= a^2 K \tau \left[r_E (V - E_E)^2 + g^2 \gamma r_I (V - E_I)^2 \right] \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

under the assumption that $Ka \gg 1$, we have

$$\tau \sim \frac{\tau_0^{\text{cond}}}{Ka}, \quad \mu \sim \mu_0^{\text{cond}}, \quad \sigma \sim \sqrt{a}\sigma_0^{\text{cond}} \quad (4)$$

we can conclude that:

- ① μ is independent of coupling strength, i.e, the synaptic efficacy a and degree k .
- ② Increasing a modifies the drift force and the input noise, which increase proportionally to a and \sqrt{a}
- ③ increasing k increases the drift force as ka

In this case, $ka \gg 1$, we called it strong coupling. However, if such assumption not holds (weak coupling), the scaling function (4) is not true.

Biological plausible neuronal network

Consider a balanced E-I network with N neurons, in which 80% are excitatory neurons and the others inhibitory ones. Each neuron is equipped with a biological plausible neuronal model, leaky integrate and fire model,

$$C \frac{dV}{dt} = -g_l(V - V_l) + I_{syn} + I_{ext},$$

and the conductance-based synaptical filter

$$I_{syn}(t) = \sum_u g_u S_u(t) (V_{rev,u} - V)$$

$$S_{i,u}(t) = \frac{1}{\tau_u} e^{-t/\tau_u} * \sum_{n,j \in \partial^i} w_j \delta(t - t_j^n)$$

$$u = \{AMPA, NMDA, GABA_A, GABA_B\}.$$

Balance condition

Under the given network conditions and default neuron parameters, we need to seek for a group of appropriate parameters (g_u) to make the network self-sustaining in a stable firing state.

we can roughly estimate a group of parameter by adopting the first order diffusion approximation.

$$\frac{V_{th} - V_{reset}}{\sum_u \langle g_u S_u(V_u - V) \rangle - \langle g_I(V - V_I) \rangle} = \frac{1}{r_{equilibrium}},$$

and then we can derive that

$$\begin{cases} 1g_{AMPA} + 5g_{NMDA} = 0.022 \\ 1g_{GABA_A} + 18g_{GABA_B} = 0.5 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Default Parameters

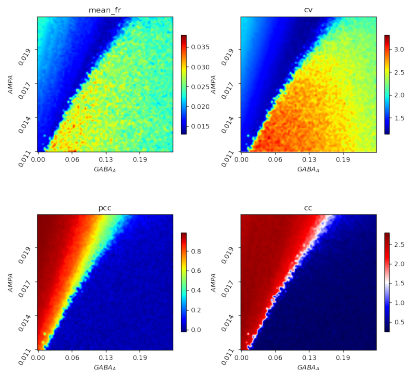
Symbol	Description	Value
N	Total number of neurons	2000
N_E	Total number of excitatory neurons	1600
N_I	Total number of inhibitory neurons	400
K_{in}	Mean of in-degrees	100
τ_{ref}	Refractory period	5ms
τ_{au}	decay time of receptors	(8, 40, 10, 50)
$V_{rev,u}$	reverse voltage	(0, 0, -70, -100))

Table: Default values of model parameters used in numerical simulations

Rich dynamics in parameter submanifold

We find rich dynamics in this small balanced E-I network.

- Obvious transition in the fire rate.
- CV is larger than 1, and multi stratification.
- Coherence coefficient reflects the spike coherence.
- Critical dynamics occurs in the stratification line parameter space.



avalanches phenomena

Mainly due to E-I delay feedback. . .

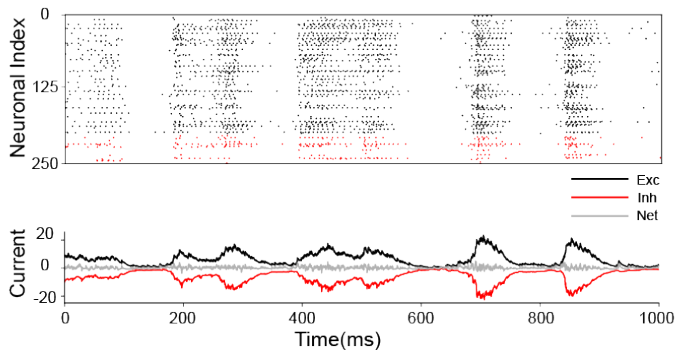


Figure: raster plot of slow dynamics

avalanches phenomena

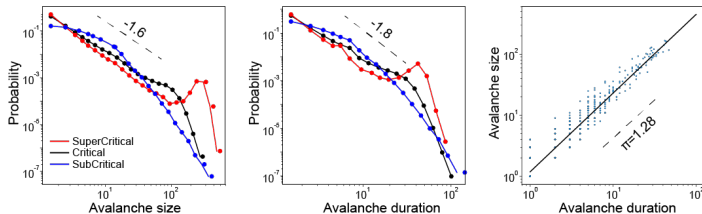


Figure: avalanches phenomena

The slope of best fit powerlaw distribution for avalanche size is -1.6 and avalanche duration is -1.8

Characteristic in boundary line

if we dive into the characteristics of the network on the boundary line space

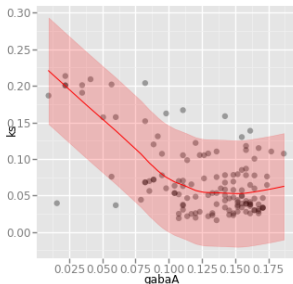


Figure: ks distance

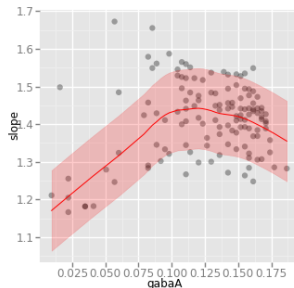
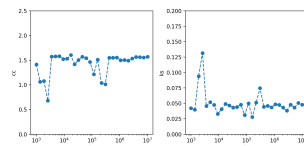
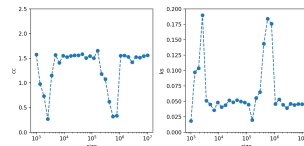
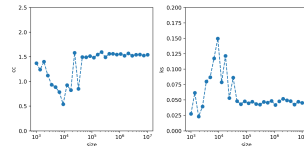
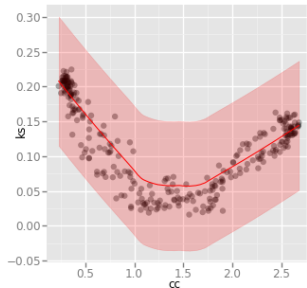


Figure: slope

robust on size

The corresponding relationship between *coherence coefficient* and *ks distance* is shown in the figure below



degree influence

we perform experiments and summarize the main findings based on shifted exponential in- degree distributions.

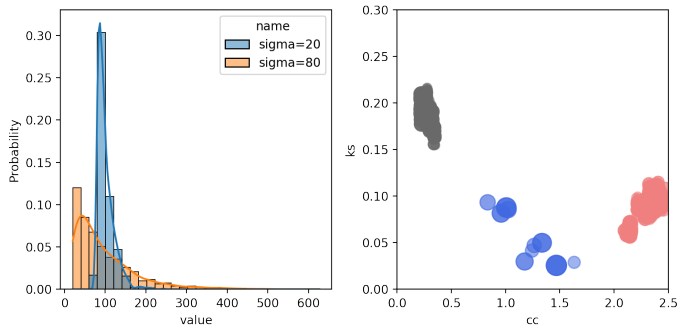


Figure: degree influence

parameter heterogeneity

- the radius is from 1 to 15
- along the boundary line

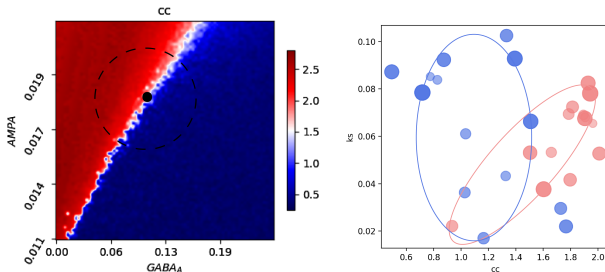


Figure: parameter heterogeneity

Criticality in large-scale network

Fit to function $s \cdot \tanh(ax + by + c) + t$

- in the small block, slop is 1.6
- in the large-scale block, slop is 1.6

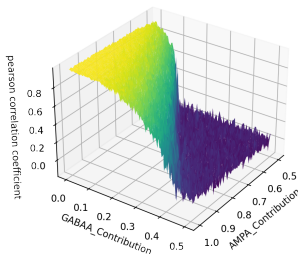


Figure: size=2k

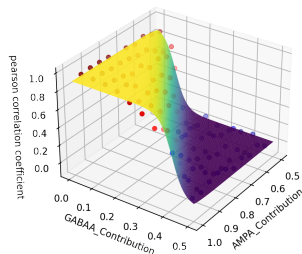


Figure: size=100m

Criticality in large-scale network

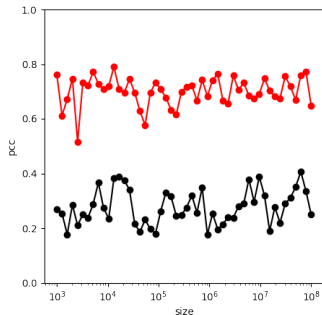


Figure: pcc with respect to different sizes

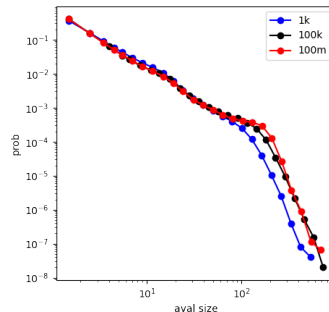


Figure: avalanches distribution

Criticality in large-scale network

Some simulation case from a fixed parameter of critical space.

- The avalanche size increases with the size of the simulation.

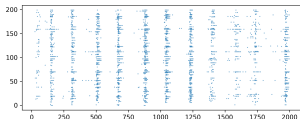


Figure: size=10k

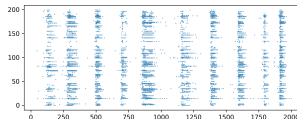
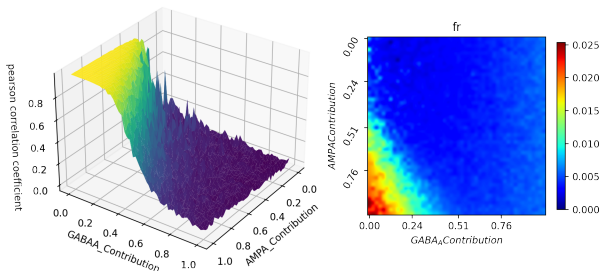


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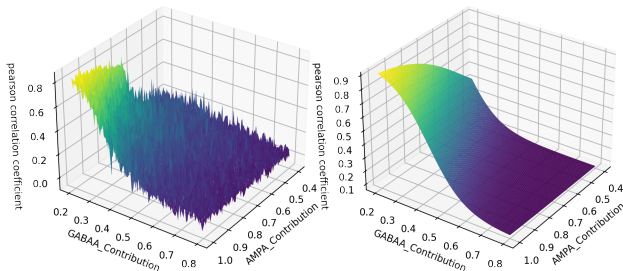
Dependence on connection density

grid search on network of 2000 neurons with 300 in-connections. x and y range is $[0, 1]$, each 50 points.



Dependence on connection density

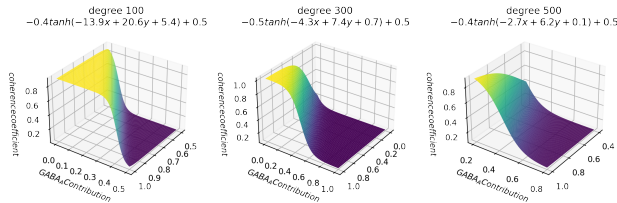
grid search on network of 2000 neurons with 500 in-connections.



As we can see, the plane is much more smooth than its in degree=100 and the one-dimensional linear submanifold disappears.

Dependence on connection density

If all case fit to function $s \cdot \tanh(ax + by + c) + t$. we can find that its slope is smaller with the degree increasing.



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Synaptic drive

The full model:

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$$g_A^j = c_A \sum_m \sum_{k|t_m^k < t} \int_{-\infty}^t dt' a_{\tau_{decay}}(t - t') \delta(t' - t_m^k),$$

where $A = \text{AMPA}, \text{NMDA}, \text{GABA}_A, \text{GABA}_B$.

Herein, only the single neuron properties will be considered.

We aim to explore the influence of restricted parameter c_A to the synaptic drive and membrane response.

The diffusion approximation

The number of pulses that arrive within the timescales τ_A will be approximately gaussian distributed. Thus, we can constitute this Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process.

$$\tau_A \frac{dg_A}{dt} \simeq g_{A0} - g_A + \sqrt{2}\sigma_A \xi_A(t) \quad (6)$$

where the gaussian white noise ξ_A has a zero mean and relatively independent.

$$\langle \xi_A(t) \rangle = 0 \quad \langle \xi_A(t) \xi_A(t') \rangle = \tau_A \delta(t - t') \quad (7)$$

The average conductance $g_{A,0}$ and the standard deviation σ_A are related to the variables c_A, τ_A and \mathcal{R} through

$$g_{A0} = c_A \tau_A \mathcal{R}_A, \quad \sigma_A = c_A \sqrt{\frac{\tau_A \mathcal{R}_A}{2}} \quad (8)$$

The diffusion approximation

we solve the above OU equation, then derive:

$$g_A(t) = g_A(0)e^{-t/\tau_A} + g_{A0} \left(1 - e^{-t/\tau_A}\right) + \sqrt{2}\sigma_A \int_0^t \frac{1}{\tau_A} e^{-(t-s)/\tau_A} dB_s, \quad (9)$$

and

$$g_{AF}(t) \equiv g_A(t) - g_{A0} \simeq \sqrt{2}\sigma_A \int_0^t \frac{1}{\tau_A} e^{-(t-s)/\tau_A} dB_s \quad (10)$$

$$g_{AF}(t) \sim \mathcal{N} \left(0, 2\sigma_A^2 \int_0^t \left(\frac{1}{\tau_A} e^{-(t-s)/\tau_A} \right)^2 dt \right) \text{ (Ito isometry),} \quad (11)$$

if $t \rightarrow \infty$,

$$p_D(g_A) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_A^2}} \exp \left(-\frac{(g_A - g_{A0})^2}{2\sigma_A^2} \right) \quad (12)$$

The diffusion approximation

The criterion for validity of the approximation is $\sigma_A/g_{A0} \ll 1$.
If we take consideration of the eq(5) and we can derive the total conductance drive. Thus, using excitation as an example,

$$\frac{dg_e}{dt} \simeq \frac{g_0^{(1)}}{\tau_1} + \frac{g_0^{(2)}}{\tau_2} - \left(\frac{\tau_1 + \tau_2}{\tau_1 \tau_2}\right)g_e + \sqrt{2}\left(\frac{\tau_1 \sigma_1 + \tau_2 \sigma_1}{\tau_1 \tau_2}\right)\xi_e(t),$$

similarly, we can conclude that the excitatory conductance obey the gaussian distribution.

Membrane response

By separating the synaptic conductances into components $g_0^{(i)}$, $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$, and fluctuating components $g_F^{(i)}$, $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$.

$$C \frac{dV}{dt} = -g_0 (V - E_0) - \sum_{i=1}^4 g_F^{(i)} (V - E_i) \quad (13)$$

where

$$g_0 = g_L + \sum g_0^{(i)} \quad \text{and} \quad E_0 = \frac{1}{g_0} \left(g_L E_L + \sum g_0^{(i)} E_i \right) \quad (14)$$

effective membrane time constant: $\tau_0 = C/g_0$

Membrane response

the voltage-dependent component of the drive can be expanded around the equilibrium potential E_0

$$g_F^i (V - E_i) = g_F^i (E_0 - E_i) + g_F^i (V - E_i) \quad (15)$$

If we drop the multiplicative noise term, that is

$$\begin{cases} C \frac{dV}{dt} \simeq -g_0 (V - E_0) + \sum g_F^i (E_i - E_0) \\ \tau_i \frac{dg_F^i}{dt} \simeq g_F^i + \sqrt{2} \sigma_i \xi_i(t) \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

where, ξ_1 and ξ_2 is totally correlated, ξ_3 and ξ_4 is totally correlated.

Membrane response

Then we can rewrite the eq16 as:

$$\frac{dV}{dt} \simeq -\frac{1}{\tau_0} (V - E_0) + I_F \quad (17)$$

and we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_F(t) &= V(t) - E_0 \\ &\simeq \sum \sqrt{2} \left(\frac{\sigma_i}{g_0} \right) \frac{(E_i - E_0)}{(\tau_i - \tau_0)} \int_0^\infty ds \left(e^{-s/\tau_i} - e^{-s/\tau_0} \right) \xi_i(t - s) \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

Membrane response

The distribution predicted for the voltage is the gaussian

$$p_0(V) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_V^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(V - E_0)^2}{2\sigma_V^2}\right) \quad (19)$$

where, for the case where there are no correlations between excitation and inhibition, the variance is

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_V^2 = & \sum_{i=1}^4 \left(\frac{\sigma_i}{g_0}\right)^2 (E_i - E_0)^2 \frac{\tau_i}{(\tau_i + \tau_0)} \\ & + 2 \left(\frac{\sigma_1\sigma_2}{g_0^2}\right) (E_1 - E_0)(E_2 - E_0) \frac{\sqrt{\tau_1\tau_2}(2\tau_1\tau_2 + \tau_1\tau_0 + \tau_2\tau_0)}{(\tau_1 + \tau_2)(\tau_1 + \tau_0)(\tau_2 + \tau_0)} \\ & + 2 \left(\frac{\sigma_3\sigma_4}{g_0^2}\right) (E_3 - E_0)(E_4 - E_0) \frac{\sqrt{\tau_3\tau_4}(2\tau_3\tau_4 + \tau_3\tau_0 + \tau_4\tau_0)}{(\tau_3 + \tau_4)(\tau_3 + \tau_0)(\tau_4 + \tau_0)} \end{aligned}$$

Membrane response

Increasing $GABA_A$ modifies the equilibrium value E_0 , the drift force and the input noise.

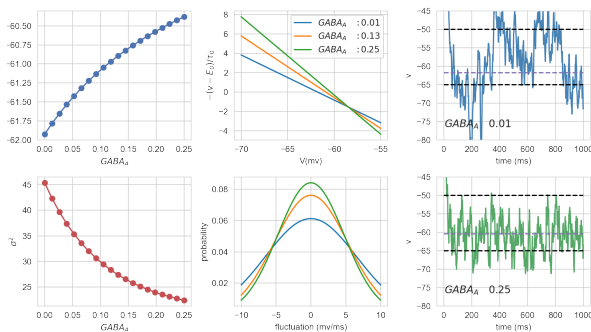


Figure: Effects of $GABA_A$ on the firing behavior of isolated conductance-based neuron

input-output correlation

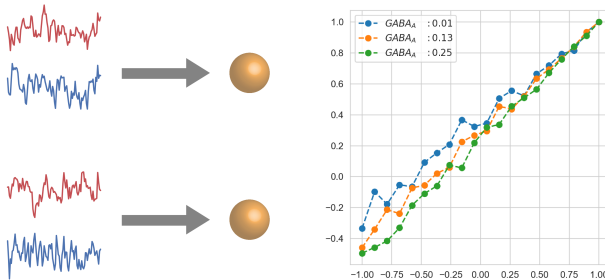


Figure: The relationship between the input and output correlation coefficients for an LIF neuron

Summary

- The **first main message** of your talk in one or two lines.
- The **second main message** of your talk in one or two lines.
- Perhaps a **third message**, but not more than that.
- Outlook
 - Something you haven't solved.
 - Something else you haven't solved.

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