

Week 1 – part 3: Leaky Integrate-and-Fire Model



Neuronal Dynamics: Computational Neuroscience of Single Neurons

Week 1 – neurons and mathematics:
a first simple neuron model

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√ 1.1 Neurons and Synapses:

Overview

√ 1.2 The Passive Membrane

- Linear circuit
- Dirac delta-function
- Detour: solution of 1-dim linear differential equation

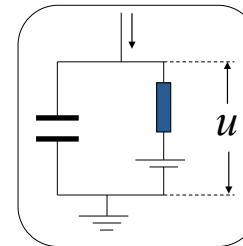
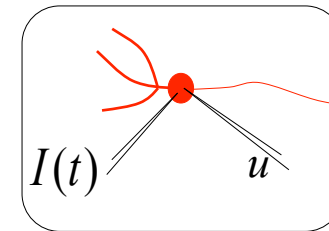
1.3 Leaky Integrate-and-Fire Model

1.4 Generalized Integrate-and-Fire Model

1.5. Quality of Integrate-and-Fire Models

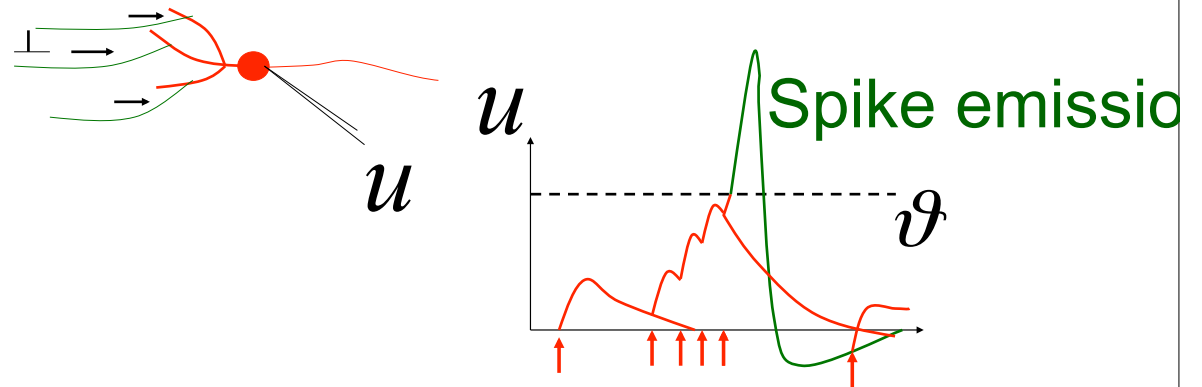
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Neuronal Dynamics – Integrate-and-Fire type Models



Simple Integrate-and-Fire Model:

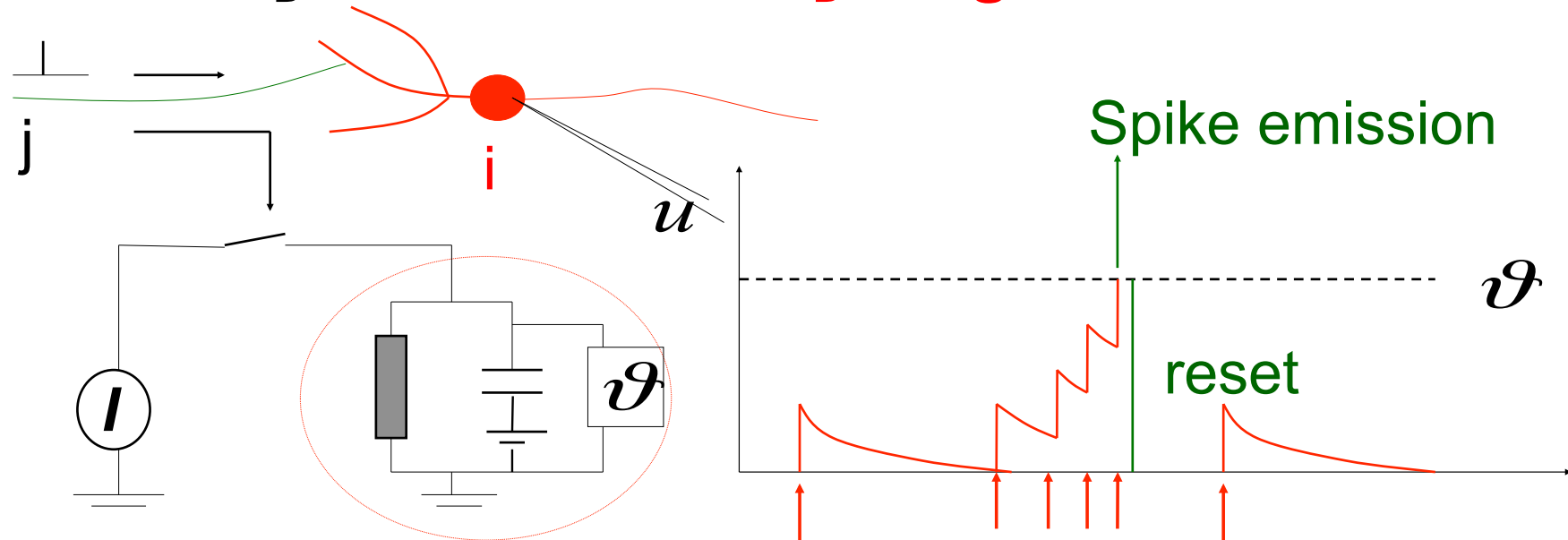
passive membrane
+ *threshold*

Leaky Integrate-and-Fire Model

Input spike causes an EPSP
= excitatory postsynaptic potential

- output spikes are events
- generated at threshold
- after spike: reset/refractoriness

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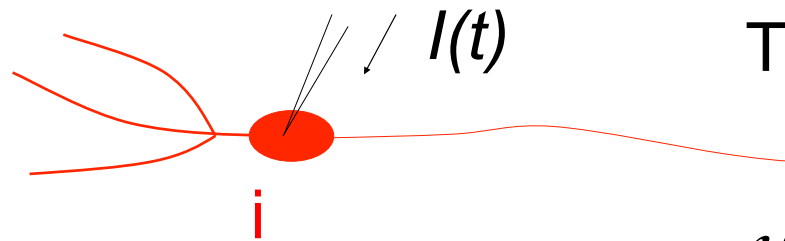
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linear

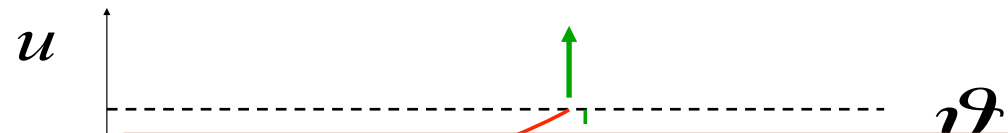
$$u(t) = \mathcal{V} \Rightarrow \text{Fire+reset } u \rightarrow u_r$$

threshold

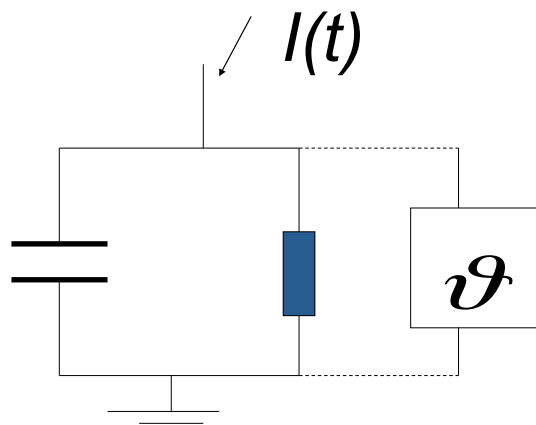
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Time-dependent input

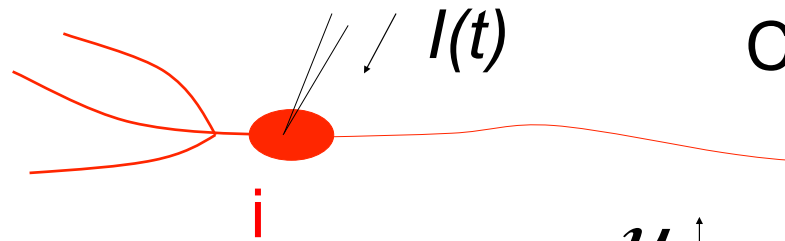


*Math development:
Response to step current*

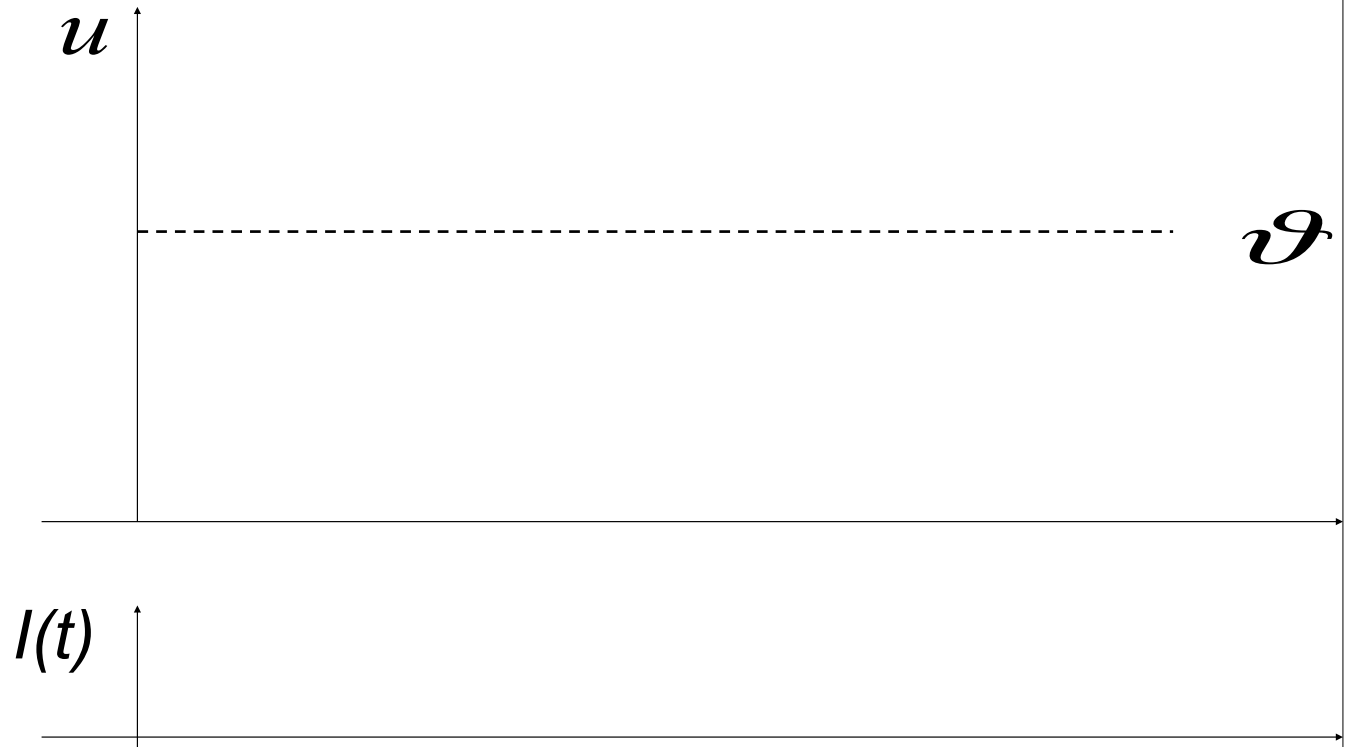
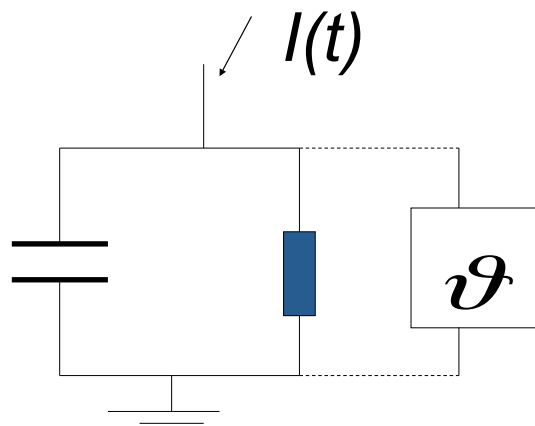


- spikes are events
- triggered at threshold
- spike/reset/refractoriness

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CONSTANT input/step input

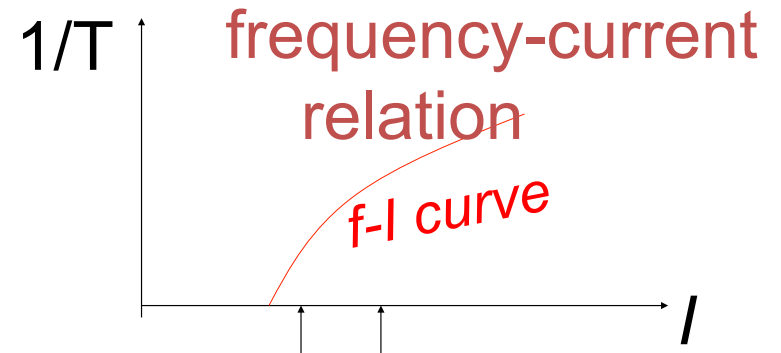
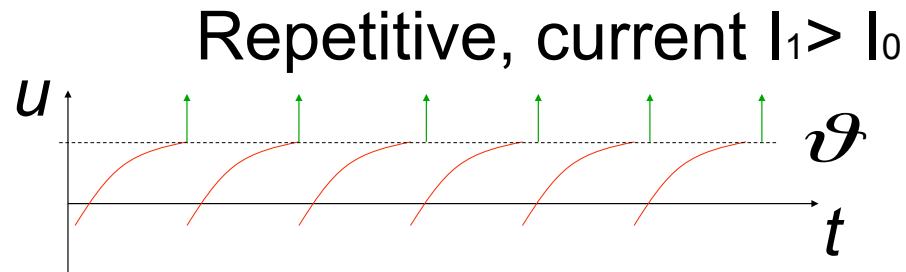
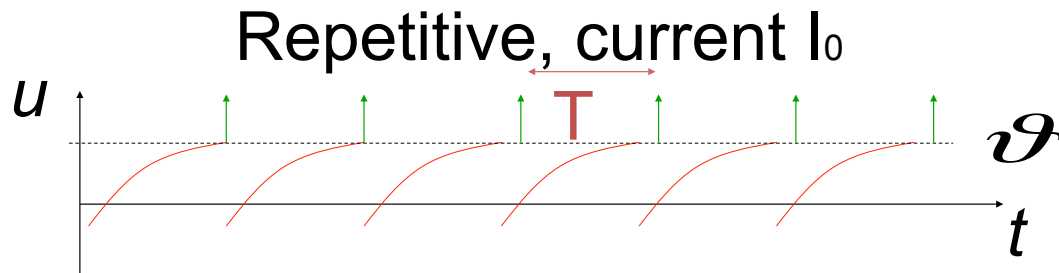


Leaky Integrate-and-Fire Model (LIF)

$$\tau \cdot \frac{d}{dt} u = -(u - u_{rest}) + RI_0$$

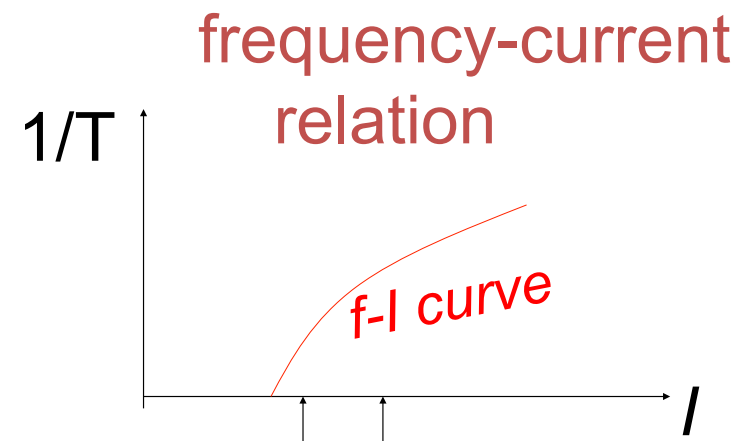
LIF
 If $u(t) = \vartheta \Rightarrow u \rightarrow u_r$

'Firing'



Neuronal Dynamics – Homework 1.2

$$\tau \cdot \frac{d}{dt} u = -(u - u_{rest}) + RI(t)$$



Neuronal Dynamics – Homework 1.2. Leaky Integrate-and-fire Model

$$\text{LIF } \tau \cdot \frac{d}{dt} u = -(u - u_{rest}) + RI_0 \quad \text{If firing: } u \rightarrow u_r$$

Exercise!

Calculate the interspike interval T for constant input I .

Firing rate is $f=1/T$.

Write f as a function of I .

What is the frequency-current curve $f=g(I)$ of the LIF?

