

Week 6 – part 2 : Interspike intervals and renewal processes



Neuronal Dynamics: Computational Neuroscience of Single Neurons

Week 6 – Noise models:

Escape noise

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- stochastic intensity and point process

6.2 Interspike interval distribution

- Time-dependent renewal process
- Firing probability in discrete time

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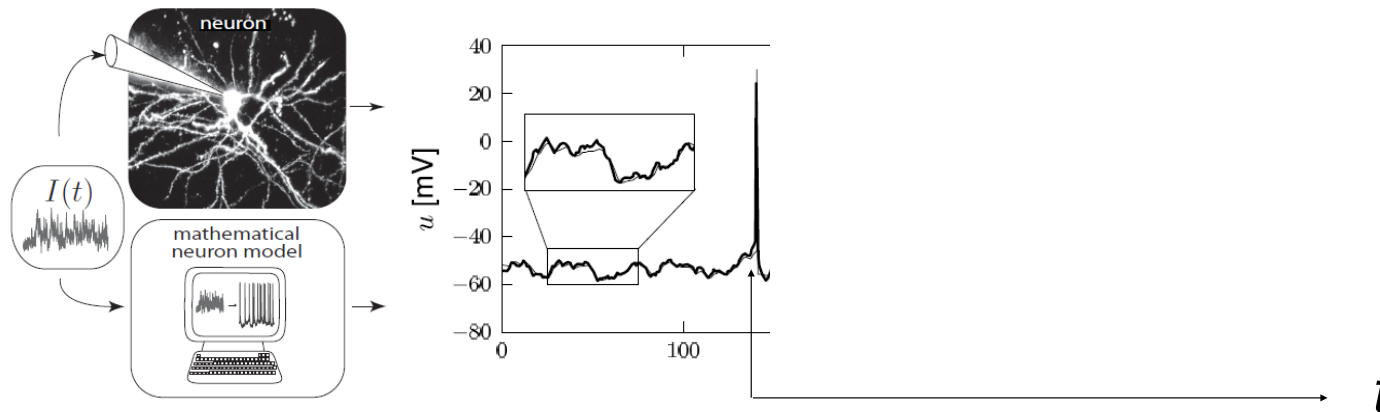
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Neuronal Dynamics – 6.2. Interspike Intervals



deterministic part of input

$$I(t) \rightarrow u(t)$$

Example:
nonlinear integrate-and-fire model

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

$$\text{if spike at } t^f \Rightarrow u(t^f + \delta) = u_r$$

noisy part of input/intrinsic noise

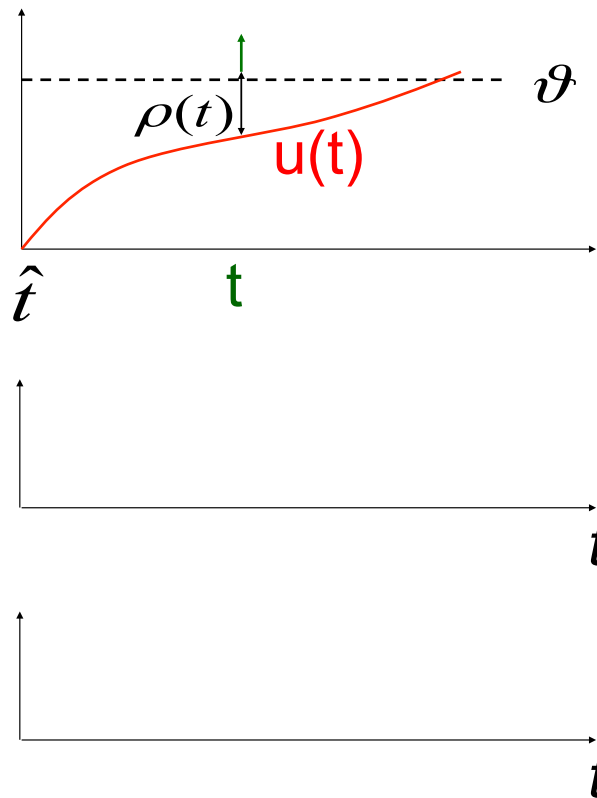
\rightarrow *escape rate*

Example:
exponential stochastic intensity

$$\rho(t) = f(u(t)) = \rho_0 \exp(u(t) - \vartheta)$$

Neuronal Dynamics – 6.2. Interspike Interval distribution

escape process



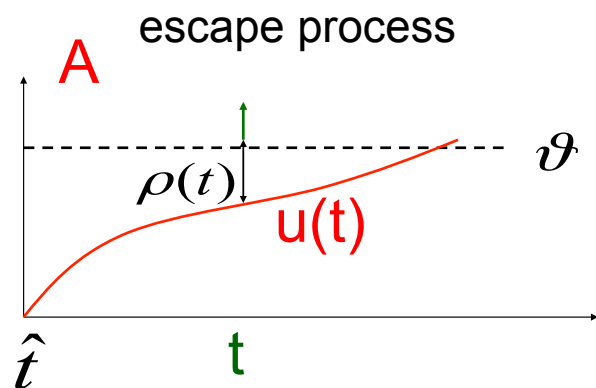
escape rate

$$\rho(t) = f(u(t) - \vartheta)$$

Survivor function

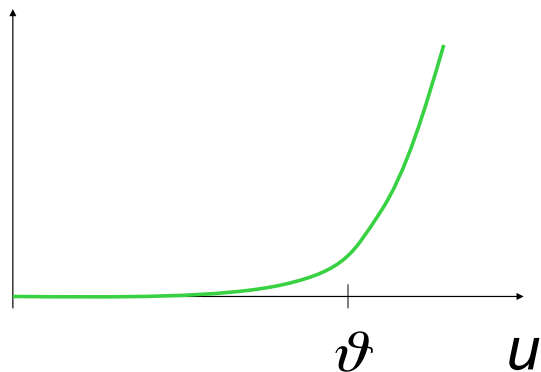
$$\frac{d}{dt} S_I(t|\hat{t}) = -\rho(t) S_I(t|\hat{t})$$

Neuronal Dynamics – 6.2. Interspike Intervals



escape rate

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Survivor function

Examples now

$$\frac{d}{dt} S_I(t|\hat{t}) = -\rho(t) S_I(t|\hat{t})$$

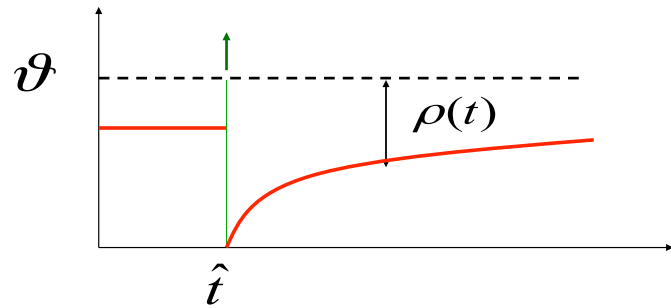
$$S_I(t|\hat{t}) = \underbrace{\exp\left(-\int_{\hat{t}}^t \rho(t') dt'\right)}$$

Interval distribution

$$P_I(t|\hat{t}) = \underbrace{\rho(t)}_{\text{escape rate}} \cdot \underbrace{\exp\left(-\int_{\hat{t}}^t \rho(t') dt'\right)}_{\text{Survivor function}}$$

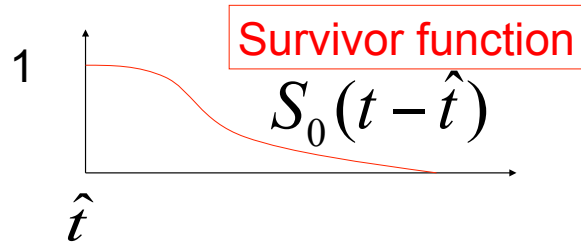
Neuronal Dynamics – 6.2. Renewal theory

Example: I&F with reset, constant input

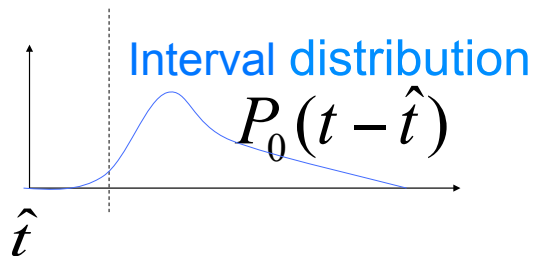


escape rate

$$\rho(t|\hat{t}) = f(u(t|\hat{t})) = \rho_{\tilde{v}} \exp(u(t|\hat{t}) - \tilde{v})$$



$$S(t|\hat{t}) = \exp\left(-\int_{\hat{t}}^t \rho(t'|\hat{t}) dt'\right)$$

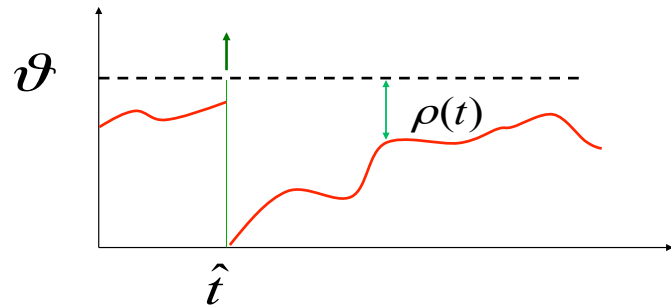


$$P(t|\hat{t}) = \rho(t|\hat{t}) \exp\left(-\int_{\hat{t}}^t \rho(t'|\hat{t}) dt'\right)$$

$$= -\frac{d}{dt} S(t|\hat{t})$$

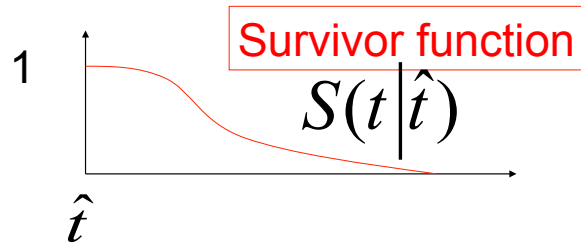
Neuronal Dynamics – 6.2. Time-dependent Renewal theory

Example: I&F with reset, time-dependent input,

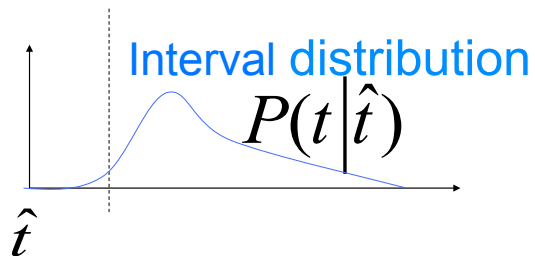


escape rate

$$\rho(t|\hat{t}) = f(u(t|\hat{t})) = \rho_{\vartheta} \exp(u(t|\hat{t}) - \vartheta)$$



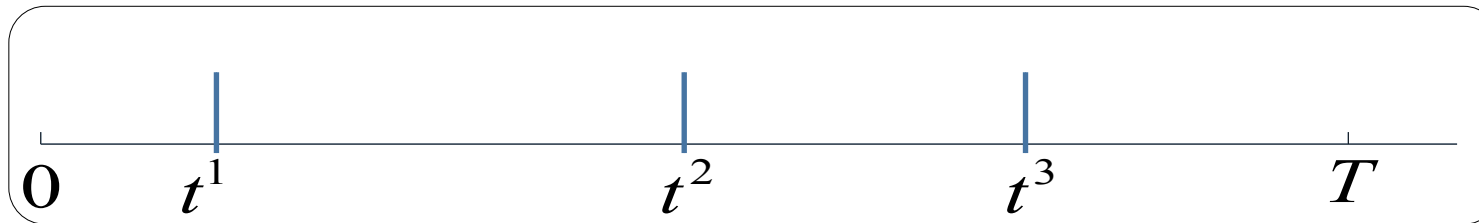
$$S(t|\hat{t}) = \exp\left(-\int_{\hat{t}}^t \rho(t'|\hat{t}) dt'\right)$$



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Neuronal Dynamics – 6.2. Firing probability in discrete time



Probability to survive 1 time step

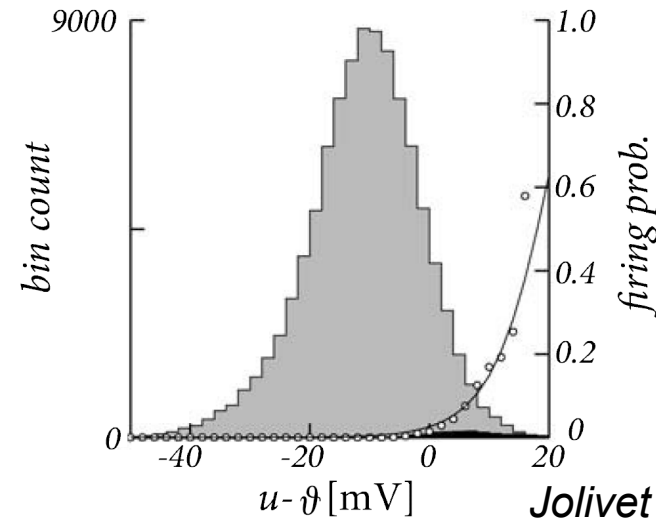
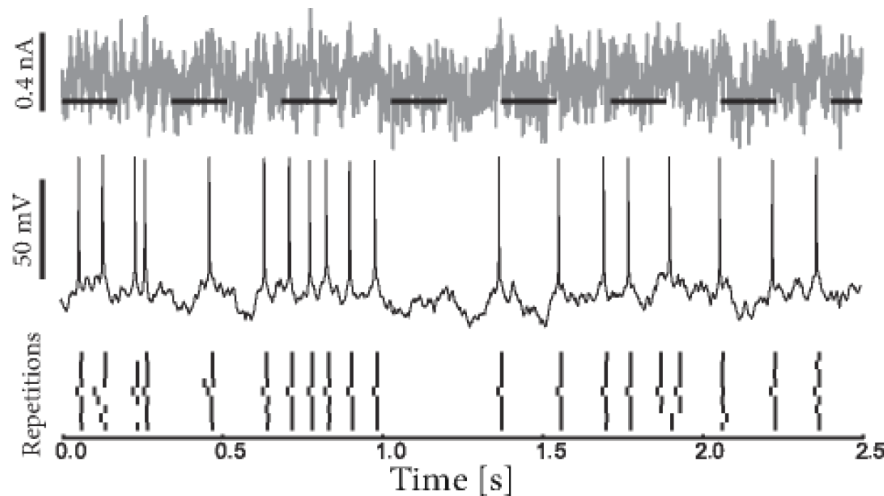
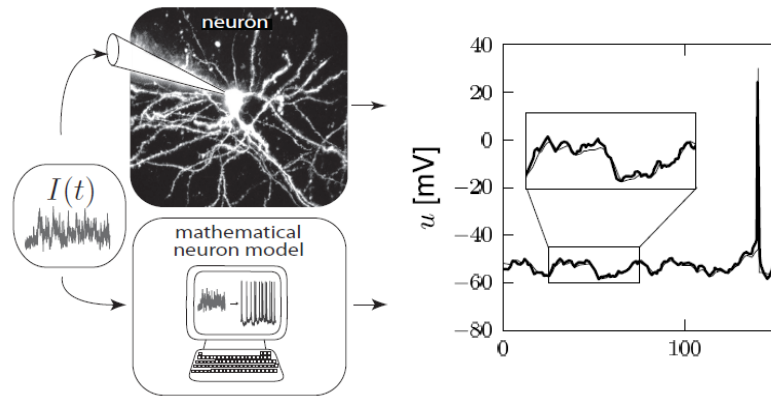
$$S(t_{k+1} | t_k) = \exp\left[-\int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \rho(t') dt'\right]$$

$$S(t_{k+1} | t_k) = \exp[-\rho(t_k)\Delta] = 1 - P_k^F$$

Probability to fire in 1 time step

$$P_k^F =$$

Neuronal Dynamics – 6.2. Escape noise - experiments



Jolivet et al. ,
J. Comput. Neurosc.
 2006

$$P_k^F = 1 - \exp[-\rho(t_k)\Delta]$$

escape rate $\rho(t) = \frac{1}{\Delta} \exp\left(\frac{u(t) - \vartheta}{\Delta}\right)$

Neuronal Dynamics – 6.2. Renewal process, firing probability

Escape noise = stochastic intensity

-Renewal theory

- hazard function

- survivor function

- interval distribution

-time-dependent renewal theory

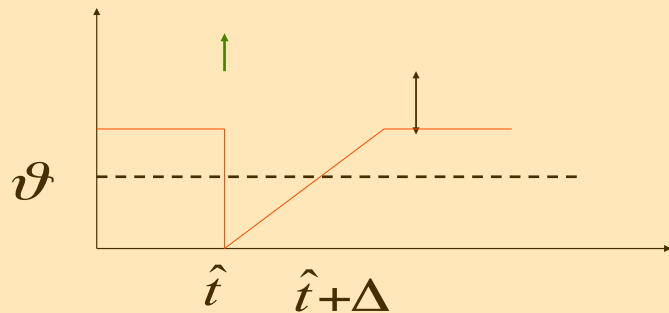
-discrete-time firing probability

-Link to experiments

→ basis for modern methods of
neuron model fitting (week 7)

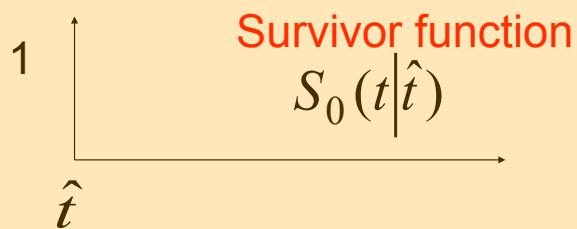
Neuronal Dynamics – Homework assignment 6.1

neuron with relative refractoriness, constant input

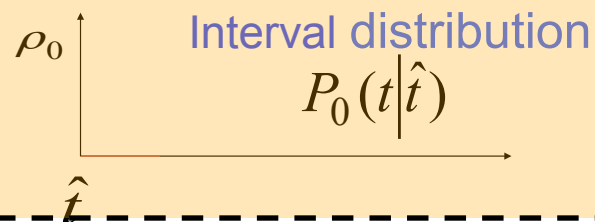


escape rate

$$\rho(t) = \rho_0 \frac{u}{\vartheta} \text{ for } u > \vartheta$$



$$S_0(t|\hat{t}) = \begin{cases} 1 & t < \hat{t} \\ 0 & t \geq \hat{t} \end{cases}$$



$$P_0(t|\hat{t}) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < \hat{t} \\ \rho_0 & t \geq \hat{t} \end{cases}$$