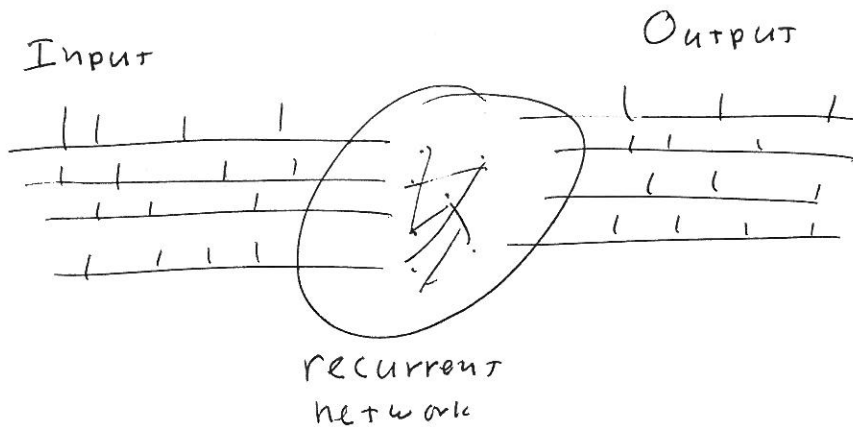


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The standard problem:



Goal: if you knew the wiring, could you predict the behavior of the network?

Reason for this goal: find a mapping from desired behavior to wiring.

- ~~RF~~ vs. recurrent connections

$$\text{Output} = f(\text{Input}; \text{network parameters})$$

Want to compute $P(\text{Output} | \text{Input})$.

Holy grail #12

$$C_m \frac{dv_i}{dt} = -\bar{g}_e (V_i - E_L) - \bar{g}_{Na} m^3 h (V_i - E_{Na}) - \bar{g}_K n^4 (V_i - E_K) - \sum_j \bar{g}_{ij} X_{ij} (V_i - E_{ij})$$

$$\tau \frac{dx_{ij}}{dt} = \alpha_{ij} (1 - x_{ij}) \sum_l \delta(t - t_j^l) - \beta_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$m =$
 \vdots

Way too hard - wait until next decade

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Equations we really solve:

$$V_i = \phi(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_N)$$

N nonlinear equations

~~Still hard.~~

~~What to find~~

1) equilibrium

- note that we are massively simplifying everything we have learned.
- pretty good approximation if neurons are firing asynchronously

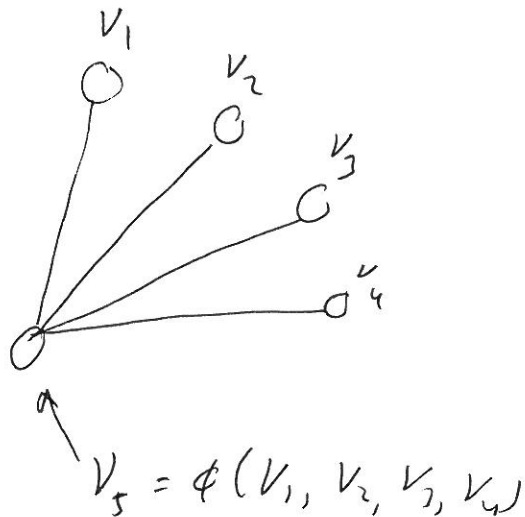
- goal is to find

a) equilibrium

b) stability.

$$\tau \frac{dV_i}{dt} = \phi(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_N) - V_i$$

(note that we're not even attempting to look at dynamics!)

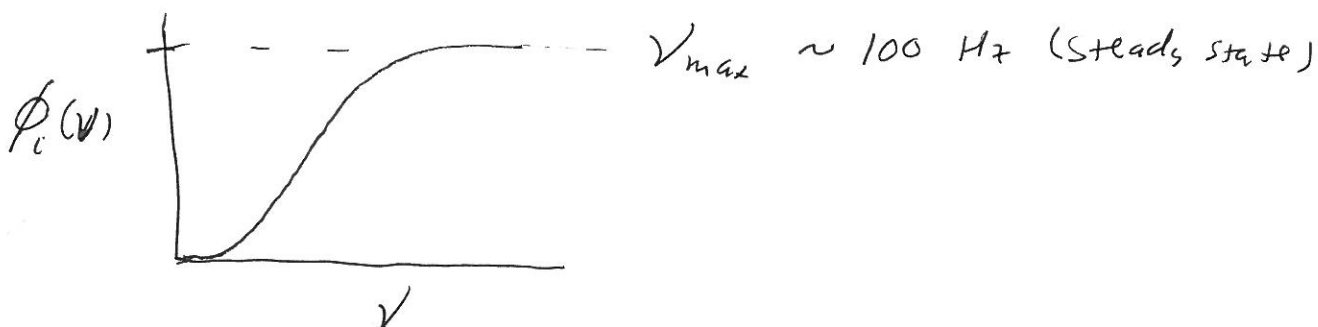


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Typical eqns:

$$\frac{dv_i}{dt} = \phi_i \left(\sum_j W_{ij} v_j \right) - v_i$$

positive if neuron j is exciting
 negative " " " " inhibition



- ϕ is fairly stereotypical
- goal is to find equilibrium in terms of w
- can decree some of the neurons to be input neurons, e.g.

$$\frac{dv_i}{dt} = \phi_i \left(\sum_{j=1}^n W_{ij} v_j + \sum_{j=n+1}^{n+m} W_{ij} v_j \right), \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

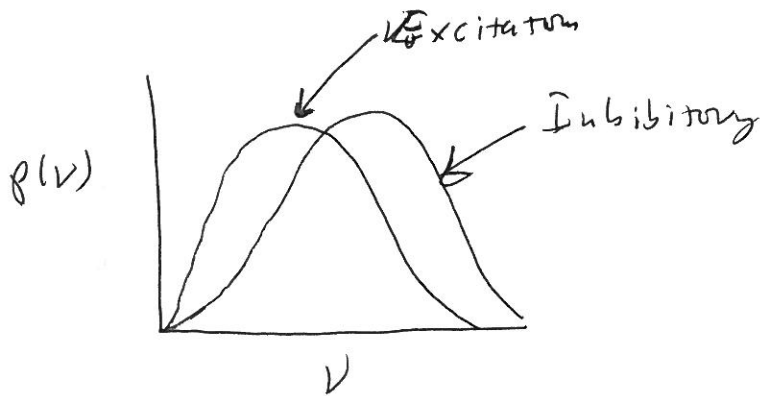
~~no 3, 4, 5, 6 equations~~

- mention divisive nonlinearity as an alternative,
- + dendrites

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Key point

- 10³⁻⁴⁻⁵⁻⁶ equations.
- don't want to know the firing rate of every neuron. Instead, ask about things like distributions



- or maybe find order parameters - parameters that tell us everything we need to know about the distribution (we'll see examples of that later).

like $V_E + V_I = \text{average exc. + inh. firing rates}$

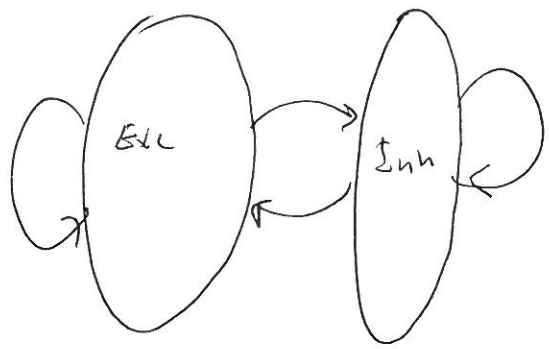
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Wilson - Cowan equations

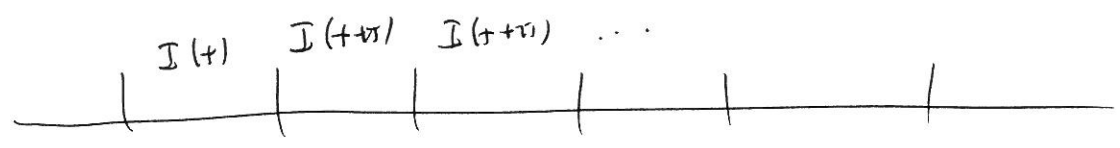
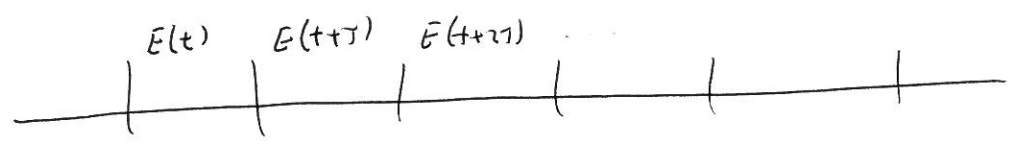
Drop derivativim.
 Instead, write $\sum_i w_{ij} x_j \rightarrow N \bar{w} \bar{x} + \sqrt{N} \dots$
 $= K \bar{w} \bar{x} + \sqrt{K} \dots$
 + drop ξ_i
 then: nallelines
 Dan: Connect scalars
 Connect w/
 Stability analysis
 then: Simple mixed (hybrid)
 Dan: E-I
 Then: Say something about temporal dynamics.

~~randomly conn~~

randomly connected



discretize time



$E(t)$ = fraction of ^{excitatory} cells that fire in time bin t

$I(t)$ = fraction of inhibitory " " " " " " " "

Goal: find $E(t+\tau), I(t+\tau)$ in terms of $E(t), I(t)$.

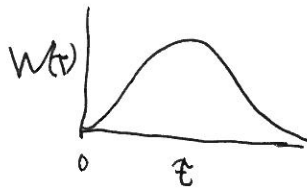
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$$E(t+r) = \left[1 - \int_{t-r}^t dt' E(t') \right] \int_E \left[\int_{-\infty}^t dt' W_{EE}(t-t') E(t') - \int_{-\infty}^t dt' W_{EI}(t-t') I(t') \right]$$

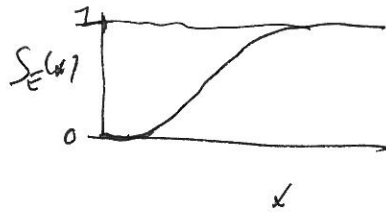
absolute refractory period r

effect of EPSP, post-synaptic IPSP

Synaptic drive; assumed to be the same for all cells



neurons have a range of thresholds



$$\int_{-\infty}^t dt' W_{EE}(t-t') E(t') \approx \tilde{W}_{EE} \bar{E}(t)$$

$$\int_{t-r}^t dt' E(t') \approx r \bar{E}(t)$$

$$E(t+r) = [1 - r \bar{E}(t)] \int_E [\tilde{W}_{EE} \bar{E}(t) - \tilde{W}_{EI} \bar{I}(t)]$$

$$I(t+r) = [1 - r \bar{I}(t)] \int_I [\tilde{W}_{IE} \bar{E}(t) - \tilde{W}_{II} \bar{I}(t)]$$

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$$E(t+T) \rightarrow \bar{E}(t+T) \approx \bar{E}(t) + T \frac{d\bar{E}}{dt}$$

$$I(t+T) \rightarrow \bar{I}(t) + T \frac{d\bar{I}}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow T \frac{d\bar{E}}{dt} = (1 - r\bar{E}) S_E (\tilde{W}_{EE} \bar{E} - \tilde{W}_{EI} \bar{I}) - \bar{E}$$

$$T \frac{d\bar{I}}{dt} = (1 - r\bar{I}) S_I (\tilde{W}_{IE} \bar{E} - \tilde{W}_{II} \bar{I}) - \bar{I}$$

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convert to firing rate:

$$V_E = \frac{\text{avg. \# of spikes in interval } T}{T}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{T} [N_E]}{T}$$

$$= \frac{\bar{E}}{T}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{E} = T V_E$$

$$\bar{I} = T V_I$$

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$$\text{Let } \tilde{W}_{EE} T = W_{EE}$$

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$$T \frac{d}{dt} (TV_E) = (1 - rTV_E) S_E (W_{EE} V_E - W_{EI} V_I) - TV_E$$

$$T \frac{d}{dt} (TV_I) = (1 - rTV_I) S_I (W_{IE} V_E - W_{II} V_I) - TV_I$$

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- ignore retractions period

$$\text{- detn } \phi_E = \frac{S_E}{T}$$

$$\phi_I = \frac{S_I}{T}$$

$$T \frac{dV_E}{dt} = \phi_E (W_{EE} V_E - W_{EI} V_I) - V_E$$

$$T \frac{dV_I}{dt} = \phi_I (W_{IE} V_E - W_{II} V_I) - V_I$$

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Compare to: $T \frac{dV_i}{dt} = \phi_i \left(\sum_j W_{Ej, is} V_{Ej} - \sum_j W_{Ij, is} V_{Ij} \right) - V_i$

$$T \frac{dV_{Ei}}{dt} = \phi_{Ei} \left(\sum_j W_{Ej, is} V_{Ej} - W_{EI, is} V_{Ij} \right) - V_{Ei}$$

$$T \frac{dV_{Ii}}{dt} = \phi_{Ii} \left(\sum_j W_{IE, is} V_{Ej} - W_{II, is} V_{Ij} \right) - V_{Ii}$$

- looks like we took the average inside the gain function
- we'll make this more rigorous later.

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Equilibria: $\frac{dV_E}{dt} = \frac{dV_I}{dt} = 0$

\swarrow E-nullcline \nwarrow I-nullcline

Consider

$$\frac{dV_E}{dt} = \phi_E(V_E, V_I) - V_E$$

at fixed V_I

$$\frac{dV_I}{dt} = \phi_I(V_E, V_I)$$

at fixed V_E

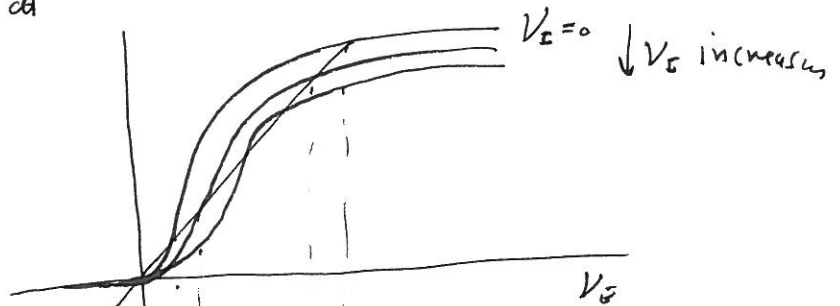
Do linear analysis!

Standard picture: all cells sit ~ 10 mV below threshold

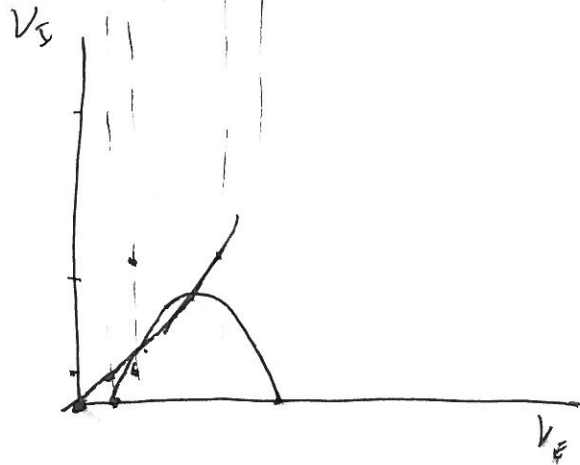
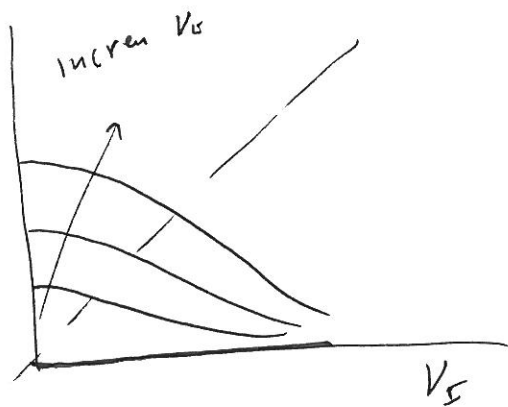
- no spontaneous activity.

Intuitive picture first

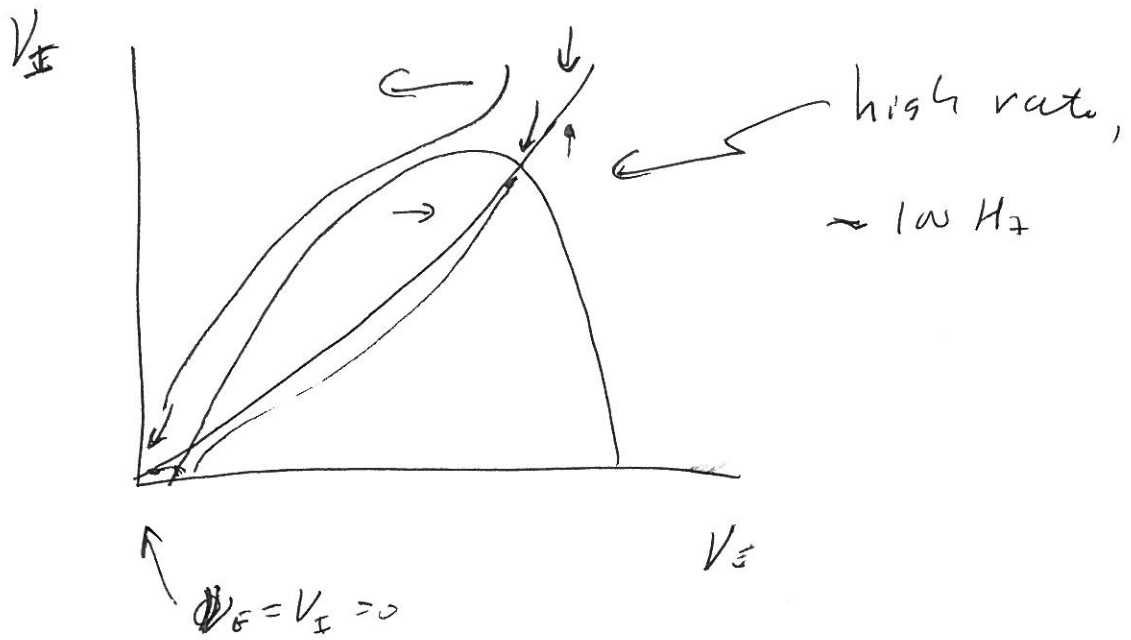
$$\frac{dV_E}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow V_E = \phi_E(W_{EE}V_E - W_{EI}V_I)$$



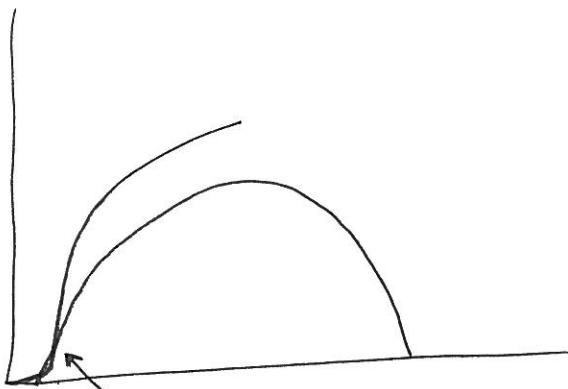
$$\frac{dV_I}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow V_I = \phi_I(W_{IE}V_E - W_{II}V_I)$$



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NOT CONSISTENT W/ EXPERIMENTS!

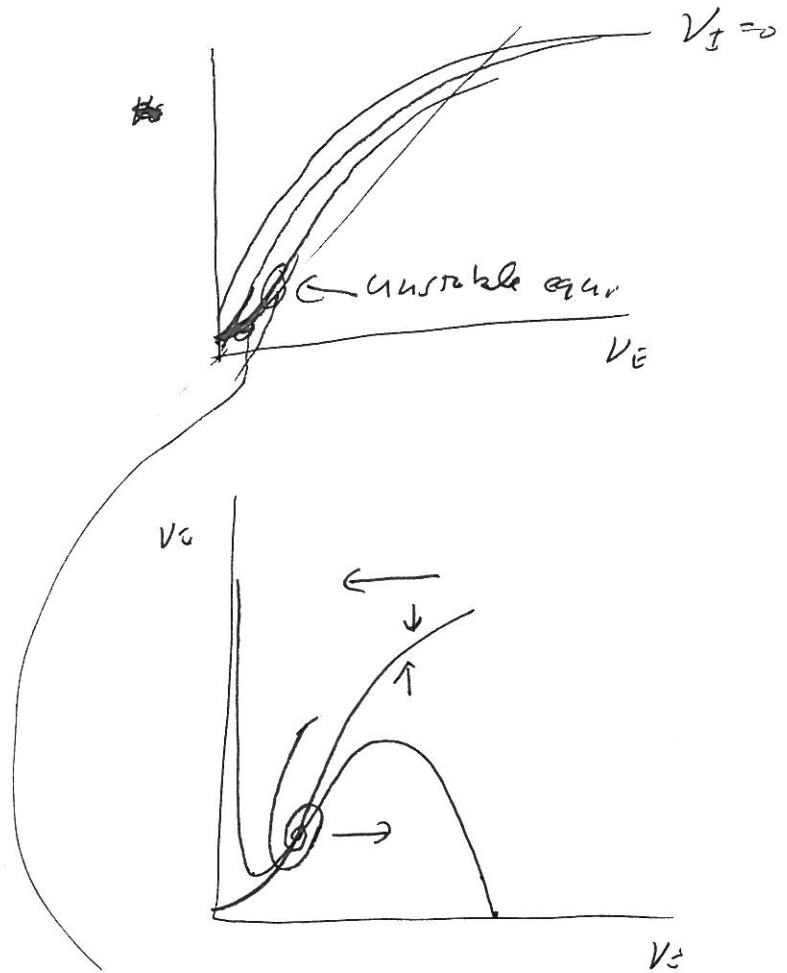


fit, but not very robust
to small perturbations.

- Sort of a mystery for a long time!

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Solution: Endogenous activity



- Dynamically stabilized !!!

- Robust

- Almost for sure where the brain operates, but no direct evidence.

Linear analysis

$$T \dot{V}_E = \phi_E(V_E, V_I) - V_E$$

$$T \dot{V}_I = \phi_I(V_E, V_I) - V_I$$

$$V_E = V_{E0} + \delta V_E \quad \phi_E(V_{E0}, V_{I0}) = V_{E0}$$

$$V_I = V_{I0} + \delta V_I \quad \phi_I(V_{E0}, V_{I0}) = V_{I0}$$

$$T \delta \dot{V}_E = \phi_E(V_{E0}, V_{I0}) - V_{E0} + \phi_{E,E} \delta V_E + \phi_{E,I} \delta V_I - \delta V_E$$

$$T \delta \dot{V}_I = \phi_I(V_{E0}, V_{I0}) - V_{I0} + \phi_{I,E} \delta V_E + \phi_{I,I} \delta V_I - \delta V_I$$

$$T \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \delta V_E \\ \delta V_I \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_{E,E} - 1 & \phi_{E,I} \\ \phi_{I,E} & \phi_{I,I} - 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta V_E \\ \delta V_I \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\phi_{E,E} - 1 + \phi_{I,I} - 1 \pm \sqrt{(\phi_{E,E} - 1 + \phi_{I,I} - 1)^2 - 4\phi_{E,I}\phi_{I,E}}}{2}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{T \pm \sqrt{T^2 - 4D}}{2}$$

$$\lambda < 0 : \quad T < 0 \quad D > 0$$

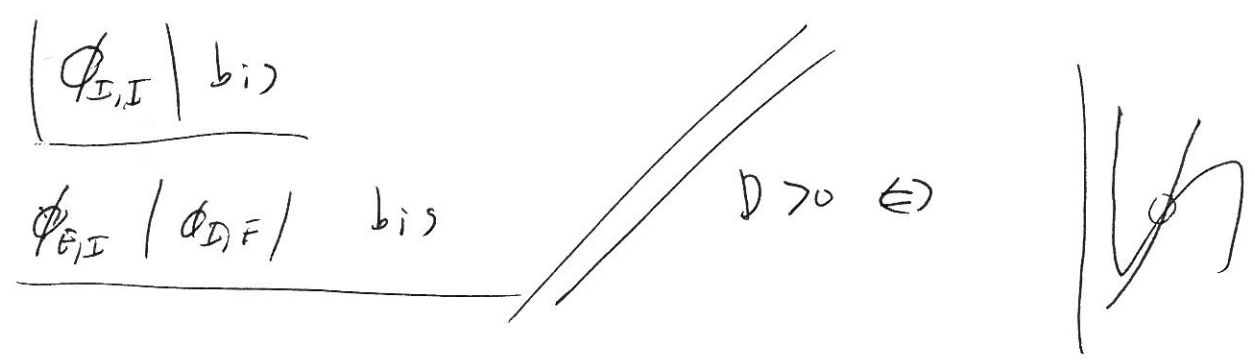
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$$T = \phi_{E,E} - |\phi_{I,I}| - 2$$

typically large (light connection): $\nu \uparrow 147, \Rightarrow$ need I-I connections!!
5000 com, 5800 mu, 1000/s

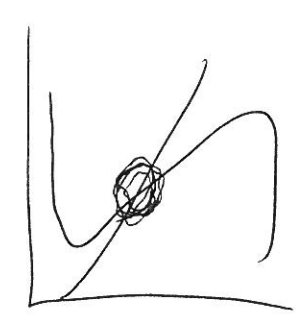
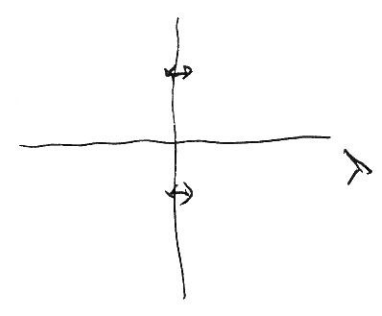
$$D = (\phi_{E,E} - |\phi_{I,I}| - 2)^2 + \phi_{E,I} |\phi_{I,E}| > 0$$

$$D = -(\phi_{E,E} - 1)(|\phi_{I,I}| + 1) + \phi_{E,I} |\phi_{I,E}|$$



Typical mode of instability

loop \Rightarrow oscillate
In general, oscillate ubiquitously



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WC is totally ad-hoc!!!

A different approach - underlies modern Theories of neural networks.

$$V_i = \phi \left(\sum_j W_{ij} V_j \right)$$

$$W_{ij} = \frac{1}{N} W + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \delta W_{ij}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \delta W_{ij} \rangle &= 0 \\ \langle \delta W_{ij} \delta W_{ik} \rangle & \end{aligned}$$

$$= \langle \delta W_{ji} \delta W_{ki} \rangle = \delta_{jk} \cancel{\frac{1}{N}} \cancel{W} \sigma_w^2$$

random matrix!

$$\sum_j W_{ij} V_j = \frac{1}{N} \sum_j \left(\frac{1}{N} W + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \delta W_{ij} \right) V_j$$

$$= W \bar{V} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_j \delta W_{ij} V_j$$

$$V_i = \phi \left(\sum_j \bar{V} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_j \delta W_{ij} V_j \right)$$

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Major assumption

$$\sum_j dW_{ij} v_j = \text{G.R.V.}$$

$$\langle \quad \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{ij} dW_{ij} v_j = 0$$

$$\langle (\quad)^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \left(\sum_j dW_{ij} v_j \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \sum_{jj'} dW_{ij} dW_{ij'} v_j v_{j'}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{jj'} v_j v_{j'} \left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_i dW_{ij} dW_{ij'} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{jj'} v_j v_{j'} \delta_{jj'} \sigma_w^2$$

$$= \sum_j v_j^2 \sigma_w^2$$

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_j dW_{ij} \right\rangle = \frac{\sigma_w^2}{N} \sum_j v_j^2 = \frac{\sigma_w^2}{N} \langle v^2 \rangle = \frac{\sigma_w^2}{N} \sigma^2$$

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Critical step:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle v \rangle &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \phi(\bar{v} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_j \omega_{ij} v_j) \\ &= \int d\mathfrak{s} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\mathfrak{s}^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \phi(\bar{v} + \sigma_w \mathfrak{s})\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\langle v^2 \rangle &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \phi^2(\bar{v} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_j \omega_{ij} v_j) \\ &= \int d\mathfrak{s} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\mathfrak{s}^2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \phi^2(\bar{v} + \sigma_w \mathfrak{s})\end{aligned}$$

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Example

← Damit die Th. 8. Insbes. point out ~~the~~ main effect is smooth

$$\phi(v) = V_0 \Theta(V - v_0 \theta_0)$$

$$V = \int_0^1 \phi(V + \Sigma(v)g)$$



$$\langle v \rangle = V_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ds \frac{e^{-s^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \Theta\left(\bar{V} + \sigma_w \sqrt{v^2} s - v_0 \theta_0\right)$$



$$\langle v^2 \rangle = V_0^2 = V_0 \langle v \rangle$$

$$\frac{\langle v \rangle}{V_0} = X \quad \langle v^2 \rangle = V_0 \langle v \rangle = V_0^2 X$$

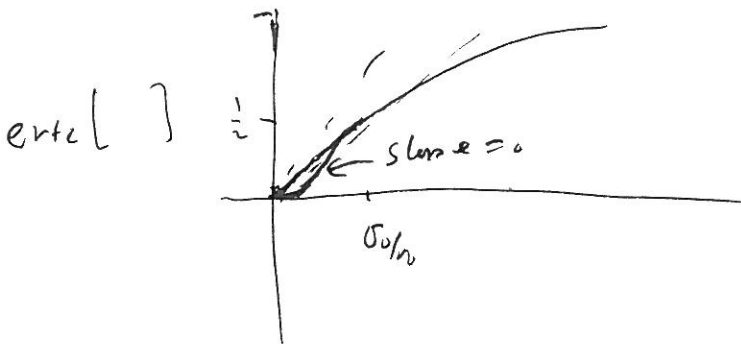
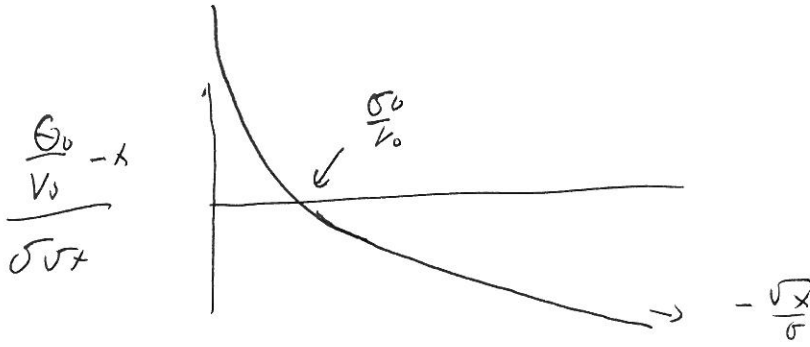
$$X = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ds \frac{e^{-s^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \Theta(V_0[X + \sqrt{X} \sigma_w s] - v_0 \theta_0) = \Theta\left(\frac{X + \sqrt{X} \sigma_w s - v_0 \theta_0}{\sigma_w \sqrt{X}}\right)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ds \frac{e^{-s^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \Theta\left(\frac{\frac{v_0 \theta_0}{V_0} - X}{\sigma_w \sqrt{X}}\right)$$

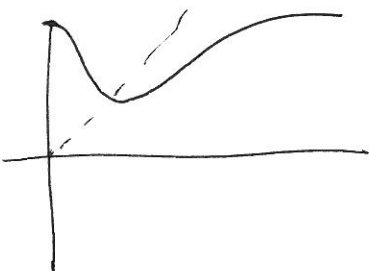
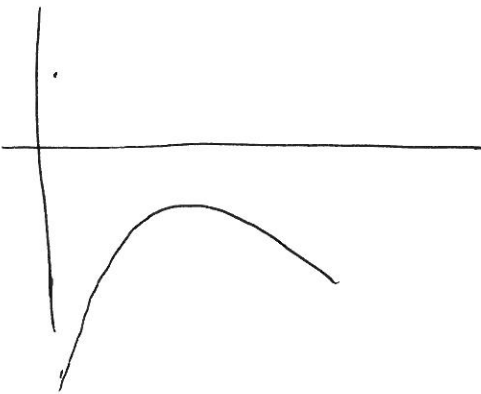


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$\theta_0 > 0$



$\theta_0 < 0$



3 intersections?

$$V_{Ei} = \phi_E \left(\sum_j W_{ij}^{EE} V_{Ej} - W_{ij}^{EI} V_{Ij} \right)$$

$$V_{Ii} = \phi_I \left(\sum_j W_{ij}^{IE} V_{Ej} - W_{ij}^{II} V_{Ij} \right)$$

$$W_{ij} = \frac{W}{\sqrt{N}} + \frac{\delta W_{ij}}{\sqrt{N}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_j W_{ij} V_j = \sqrt{N} W \bar{V} + \sum_i \delta W_{ij} \sqrt{V^2} \sum_i$$

$$V_{Ei} = \phi_E \left(\sqrt{N} \left(W^{EE} \bar{V}_E - W^{EI} \bar{V}_I \right) + \sigma_w^{EE} \sqrt{V_E^2} \sum_i^{EE} + \sigma_w^{EI} \sqrt{V_I^2} \sum_i^{EI} \right)$$

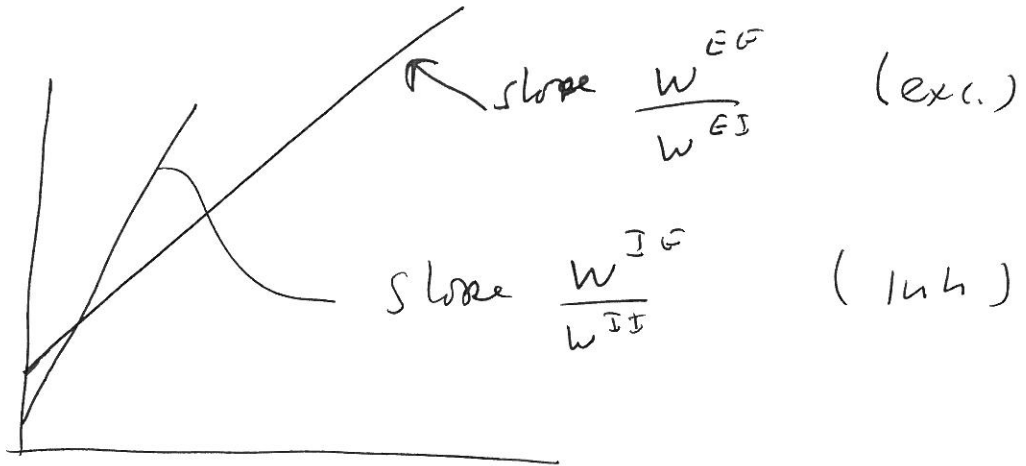
$$V_{Ii} = \phi_I \left(\sqrt{N} \left(W^{IE} \bar{V}_E - W^{II} \bar{V}_I \right) + \dots \right)$$

$$\phi = \phi(V + \sqrt{N} \theta_E)$$

$$\Rightarrow W^{EE} \bar{V}_E - W^{EI} \bar{V}_I + \theta_E \cong 0$$

$$W^{IE} \bar{V}_E - W^{II} \bar{V}_I + \theta_I \cong 0$$

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$$\frac{w^{IF}}{w^{II}} > \frac{w^{EF}}{w^{EI}} \quad \Rightarrow \quad w^{EI} w^{IF} > w^{EF} w^{II}$$

(extreme version of previous analysis)

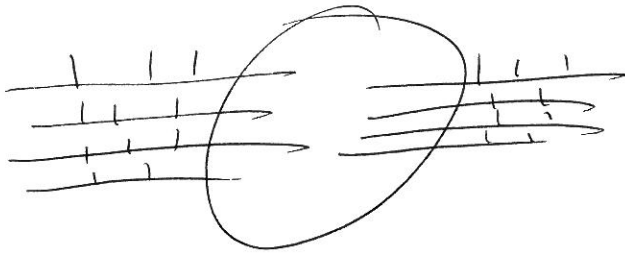
Van Vreeswijk + Sompolinsky

Science '96

Nature Comp. '98

— Key papers

Summary



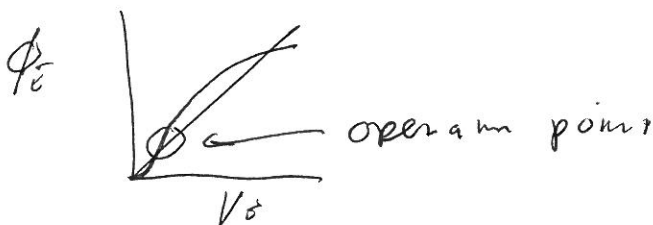
Want to solve this problem

- considered very simple models

$$V_i = \phi_i \left(\sum_j W_{ij} V_j \right) - V_i$$

- considered randomly connected networks

- background is inhom



Dynamically
Stabilized