

1. (12 Points) Consider the following variable in Matlab:

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list=[12, -5, 8, 2, 13, -4, -3];
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a) What does the following command output:

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list(1:2:7)
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b) What is a command (or set of commands) to determine the lowest value of the elements in `list`?

c) I have a 1000 element vector `fireRates` to capture the firing rates of a neuron, calculated every 100ms for 100 seconds.

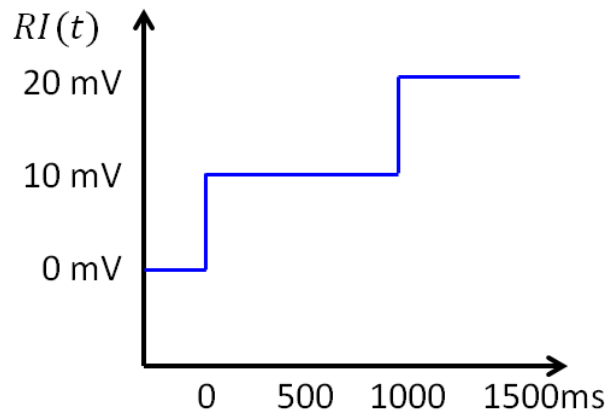
- What is the command to plot the firing rates for the neuron?

- How do we compute the average firing rate for the first second (the first 10 elements of `fireRates`, and place that result in a new variable `fireAve1`?

- Write a for loop to create `fireAveVec` so that `fireAveVec(1)` has the average rate for the 1st second, `fireAveVec(2)` has the average for the 2nd second, ... `fireAveVec(100)` has the average for the 100th second?

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2. (6 Points) Assume we have a model neuron with $v(0)=-65$, $E_L=-65$, $v_{\text{reset}}=-65$, $\tau=0.01$, and $v_{\text{thresh}}=-50$. We have the following input $RI(t)$:

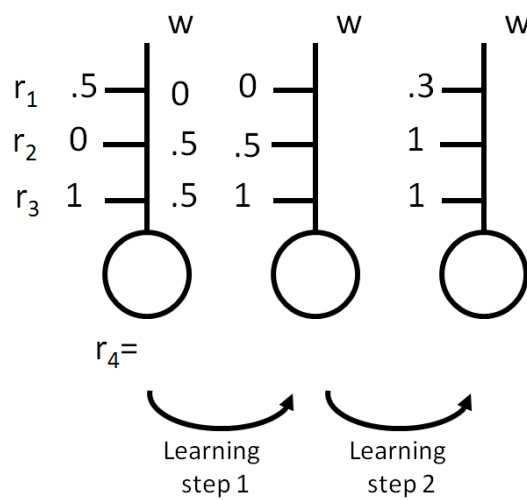


- a) Draw the resulting $v(t)$ shown below. (You can estimate $RI(t)$ voltages to the nearest 5mV – if you think the input should plateau, to -42mV, you would label the input as -40mV.)

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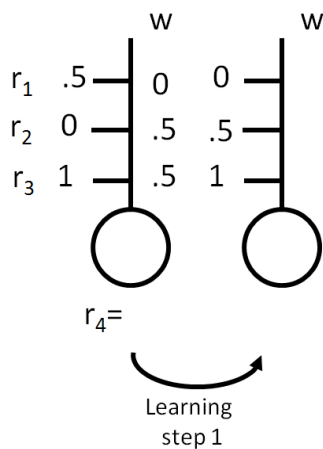
9. (13 Points) We have a neuron, called neuron 4, that takes input from 3 pre-synaptic neurons. We define $h = \sum_j w_{4j}r_{4j}$ and establish the output of neuron 4, r_4 as simply h (the weighted sum).

- a) Use the Hebbian learning rule *without normalization* discussed in class to determine the new weights and new outputs of neuron 4 after learning step 1 and learning step 2 below. Assume $\epsilon(w) = \begin{cases} .1 & w \geq 0 \\ -.1 & w < 0 \end{cases}$. (The inputs from each pre-synaptic neuron vary at each learning step, as depicted.)



- b) Repeat learning step 1 using Hebbian learning **with normalization**. Again, assume

$$\epsilon(w) = \begin{cases} .1 & w \geq 0 \\ -.1 & w < 0 \end{cases}$$



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5. (6 points) Presume we would like to model the axon voltage/spiking of a neuron using the differential equation and voltage reset rule we used in class.

Let us assume the variable values for the model neuron are:

$v_{\text{reset}} = -60\text{mV}$ $v_{\text{thresh}} = -30\text{mV}$ $\tau = 0.1$ $R I(t) = 35 \text{ mV}$ (for all time) $v(0\text{ms}) = -50\text{mV}$

$E_L = -60\text{mV}$ time step: $\Delta t = 10 \text{ ms}$

Compute $v(30\text{ms})$

10. (5 Points) Compute the output of the following neurons, presuming the output is found by computing the weighted sum of the inputs h , and applying the function g shown below, i.e., $r_{\text{out}} = g(h)$.

