

# Assignment 54

1. Need to show that  $P_0' > 0$ ; write

$$P_0 = (1 + e^{\beta(\Delta G - \tau \Delta A)})^{-1}$$

and differentiate with respect to  $\tau$  using the chain rule ( $\beta, \Delta G$  and  $\Delta A$  are constants)

assumed positive

$$P_0' = (-1) (1 + e^{\beta(\Delta G - \tau \Delta A)})^{-2}$$

$$\cdot (0 + e^{\beta(\Delta G - \tau \Delta A)}) \cdot \beta (-\Delta A)$$

$$= \frac{\beta \Delta A \cdot e^{\beta(\Delta G - \tau \Delta A)}}{(1 + e^{\beta(\Delta G - \tau \Delta A)})^2} \rightarrow \text{always } \oplus$$

always  $\oplus$

$\beta, \Delta A$  are  $\oplus$ ve by assumption, so  $P_0' > 0$

2. Rewrite  $V$  as variable!

(a)

$$V = \frac{N_e V_e + N_i V_i}{N_e + N_i} = \frac{N_e}{N_e + N_i} V_e + \frac{N_i V_i}{N_e + N_i}$$

so  $V$  is a line of slope  $\frac{N_e}{N_e + N_i}$  (which is  $\oplus$ ve)

and vertical intercept =  $\frac{N_i V_i}{N_e + N_i}$

thus  $V' = \frac{N_e}{N_e + N_i}$  ← derivative of  $V$  as a function of  $V_e$

so we can use notation  $V' = \frac{dV}{dV_e}$

so  $V$  is an increasing function of the membrane potential  $V_e$  (ie, as  $V_e$  increases, so does  $V$ )

OR we could have computed  $V'$  straight from

$$V = \frac{N_e V_e + N_i V_i}{N_e + N_i} \quad \text{using quotient rule,}$$

keeping in mind that  $V_e$  is the variable

and  $N_e, N_i, V_i$  are constants:

$$V' = \frac{(N_e \textcircled{V_e} + N_i V_i)' (N_e + N_i) - (N_e V_e + N_i V_i) (N_e + N_i)'}{(N_e + N_i)^2}$$

$$= \frac{(N_e \cdot 1) \cdot (N_e + N_i) - (N_e V_e + N_i V_i) \cdot 0}{(N_e + N_i)^2}$$

constant

$$= \frac{N_e}{N_e + N_i}$$

(b) Use quotient rule: ( $N_e$  is like  $x$  now!)

$$V' = \frac{\textcircled{(N_e V_e + N_i V_i)'} (N_e + N_i) - (N_e V_e + N_i V_i) \textcircled{(N_e + N_i)'}}{(N_e + N_i)^2}$$

this time  
 $V' \approx \frac{dV}{dN_e}$

$$= \frac{V_e (\cancel{N_e} + N_i) - (N_e \cancel{V_e} + N_i V_i) \cdot 1}{(N_e + N_i)^2}$$

$$= \frac{V_e N_i - V_i N_i}{(N_e + N_i)^2}$$

$V'$  is the rate of change, so:

as  $N_e$  increases by 1 unit,  $V$  changes by

$$\frac{V_e N_i - V_i N_e}{(N_e + N_i)^2}$$

(could be  $\oplus$ ve or  $\ominus$ ve)  
so  $V$  might increase or decrease  
in this case increases

recall:  $f'(x) = 3$  means that  $f$  changes by approximately 3 units per unit change in  $x$  (think of the rise over run, with run = 1)

(c) 
$$V' = \frac{V_e N_i - V_i N_e}{(N_e + N_i)^2} = \underbrace{N_i (V_e - V_i)}_{\text{constant}} \cdot (N_e + N_i)^{-2}$$
  
variable

$$V'' = N_i (V_e - V_i) (-2) (N_e + N_i)^{-3} \cdot 1$$
  
$$= -2 \cdot \frac{N_i (V_e - V_i)}{(N_e + N_i)^3}$$
  
chain rule  
given:  $N_e, N_i > 0$   
 $V_e, V_i < 0$

$V$  is CU when  $V'' > 0$

$$\rightarrow -2(V_e - V_i) > 0$$

$$V_e - V_i < 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } V_e < V_i$$

$$3. \quad \bar{E} = -\frac{1}{r} \cdot \left( \ln \frac{\beta_w \beta_h \Delta_s S_s}{\beta_w S_s + r + r} - \delta \right)$$

no  $\delta$  here, so constant

$$\text{thus } \bar{E}' = \frac{d\bar{E}}{dr} = -\frac{1}{r} \cdot (0 - 1) = \frac{1}{r}$$

so the rate of change of  $\bar{E}$  is equal to the constant  $1/r$

$$4. (a) \quad R = \frac{K(r+s)^2}{d^4} \cdot l \rightarrow \frac{dR}{dl} = \frac{K(r+s)^2}{d^4} > 0$$

so as the length of the tube increases, so does the resistance;

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OR as l increases by 1 unit, R increases by approximately  $\frac{K(r+s)^2}{d^4}$  units

$$(b) \quad R = Kl(r+s)^2 \cdot d^{-4} \rightarrow R' = \frac{dR}{dd} = Kl(r+s)^2 \cdot \frac{-4}{d^5}$$

$$\text{so } R' < 0$$

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i.e., as the diameter of the tube increases, the resistance decreases

or: as d increases by 1 unit, the resistance R decreases by approximately  $\frac{4Kl(r+s)^2}{d^5}$  units