

Assignment 34

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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 τ using the chain rule ($\beta, \Delta G$ and ΔA are constants)

assumed positive

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

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

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

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

$V = \frac{N_e V_e + N_i V_i}{N_e + N_i}$ using quotient rule,
keeping in mind that V_e is the variable
and N_e, N_i, V_i are constants:

$$\begin{aligned} V' &= \frac{(N_e \textcircled{V_e} + N_i V_i)' (N_e + N_i) - (N_e V_e + N_i V_i) (N_e + N_i)'}{(N_e + N_i)^2} \\ &= \frac{(N_e \cdot 1) \cdot (N_e + N_i) - (N_e V_e + N_i V_i) \cdot 0}{(N_e + N_i)^2} \quad \text{constant} \\ &= \frac{N_e}{N_e + N_i} \end{aligned}$$

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} V' &= \frac{(\textcircled{N_e} V_e + N_i V_i)' (N_e + N_i) - (N_e V_e + N_i V_i) (\textcircled{N_e + N_i})'}{(N_e + N_i)^2} \\ &= \frac{V_e (1 + N_i) - (N_e V_e + N_i V_i) \cdot 1}{(N_e + N_i)^2} \\ &= \frac{V_e N_i - V_i N_i}{(N_e + N_i)^2} \end{aligned}$$

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)

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

variable

$$V'' = N_i (V_e - V_i) (-2) (N_e + N_i)^{-3} \cdot 1$$

chain rule

$$= -2 \cdot \frac{\oplus N_i (V_e - V_i)}{(N_e + N_i)^3 \oplus}$$

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

no δ here, so constant

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

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

4. (a)
$$R = \frac{K(r+1)^2}{d^4} \cdot l \rightarrow \frac{dR}{dl} = \frac{K(r+1)^2}{d^4} > 0$$

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 $\frac{K(r+1)^2}{d^4}$ units

(b)
$$R = Kl(r+1)^2 \cdot d^{-4} \rightarrow R' = \frac{dR}{dd} = Kl(r+1)^2 \cdot \frac{-4}{d^5}$$

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 $\frac{-4Kl(r+1)^2}{d^5}$ units