



Compositionality Results for Cardiac Cell Dynamics

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Iyer-Mazhari-Winslow Myocyte Model



Resting ↓

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Fenton-Cherry-Orovio Minimal Model



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 $\mathbf{V} = -(\mathbf{I}_{Na} + \mathbf{I}_{Ca} + \mathbf{I}_{Ca,K} + \mathbf{I}_{Kr} + \mathbf{I}_{Ks} + \mathbf{I}_{K1} + \mathbf{I}_{Na,Ca} + \mathbf{I}_{Na,K} + \mathbf{I}_{to} + \mathbf{I}_{p(Ca)} + \mathbf{I}_{Cab} + \mathbf{I}_{Nab} + \mathbf{I}_{stim})$













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Background: IMW's Sodium Channel Component



- Dynamics: $\dot{\mathbf{x}}_{1} = \mathbf{A}_{1}(\mathbf{V})\mathbf{x}_{1}, \ \mathbf{A}_{1}(\mathbf{V}) \in \mathbb{R}^{13} \times \mathbb{R}^{13}$ $\mathbf{x}_{1} = [\mathbf{C}_{00}, \mathbf{C}_{10}, \mathbf{C}_{20}, \mathbf{C}_{30}, \mathbf{C}_{40}, \mathbf{O}_{1}, \mathbf{O}_{2}, \mathbf{C}_{01}, \mathbf{C}_{11}, \mathbf{C}_{21}, \mathbf{C}_{31}, \mathbf{C}_{41}, \mathbf{I}]^{\mathsf{T}}$
- Input: Trans-membrane voltage V
- Output: Channel conductance o(V), which determines I_{Na}
- Transition rates: Exponential function of V

Background: Model-Order Reduction for Identifying Hodgkin-Huxley (HH)-Type Abstractions



Bisimulation Functions (BFs)

BFs: contractive metrics that characterize IOS-based equivalence of two dynamical systems.

$$\mathbf{u}_{i} \in \mathcal{R}^{m} \xrightarrow{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{i} \ \mathbf{i} = \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}} \underbrace{\mathbf{y}_{i} = \mathbf{g}_{i}(\mathbf{x}_{i})}_{\mathbf{x}_{i} = \mathbf{f}_{i}(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \mathbf{u}_{i})} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{y}_{i} = \mathbf{g}_{i}(\mathbf{x}_{i})}_{\mathbf{g}_{i} : \mathcal{R}^{n_{i}} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^{p}}$$
$$\mathbf{x}_{i} \in \mathcal{R}^{n_{i}}$$
$$\mathbf{f}_{i} : \mathcal{R}^{n_{i}} \times \mathcal{R}^{m} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^{n_{i}}$$

BF $S(x_1, x_2)$: $\mathcal{R}^{n_1} \times \mathcal{R}^{n_2} \to \mathcal{R}_{\geq 0}$ between Σ_1 and Σ_2 is a smooth function such that,

1. S bounds output difference

 $\| \mathbf{g}_1(\mathbf{x}_1) - \mathbf{g}_2(\mathbf{x}_2) \| \leq \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$

2. S decays along trajectories

 $\forall \mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \exists \lambda > \mathbf{0}, \gamma \ge \mathbf{0}$ such that

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{S}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{1}}\mathbf{f}_{1}(\mathbf{x}_{1},\mathbf{u}_{1}) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{S}}{\partial \mathbf{x}_{2}}\mathbf{f}_{2}(\mathbf{x}_{2},\mathbf{u}_{2}) \leq -\lambda \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}_{1},\mathbf{x}_{2}) + \gamma \|\mathbf{u}_{1} - \mathbf{u}_{2}\|$$

Theorem 1: BFs Imply IOS

IOS : Bounded input difference leads to bounded output difference

For all $t \ge 0$, $\|g_1(x_1(t)) - g_2(x_2(t))\| \le S(x_1(t), x_2(t))$ $\le e^{-\lambda t} S(x_1(0), x_2(0)) + \frac{\gamma}{\lambda} \|u_1 - u_2\|_{\infty}$

where $\|\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_2\|_{\infty} = \sup_{t \ge 0} \|\mathbf{u}_1(t) - \mathbf{u}_2(t)\|$ i.e. max difference in input signals

Theorem 2: Small-Gain Theorem for Feedback Composition

BFs can be linearly composed subject to small gain condition (sgc)



S₁₂(λ_{12} , γ_{12}): BF between Σ₁ and Σ₂ **S**₃(λ_3 , γ_3): BF between Σ₃ and itself

- If $\frac{\gamma_{12}\gamma_3}{\lambda_{12}\lambda_3} < 1$ (sgc),
- $S([x_1, x_3], [x_2, x_3]) = \alpha_1 S_{12}(x_1, x_2) + \alpha_2 S_3(x_3, x_3)$

where \boldsymbol{S} is a BF between $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{13}$ and $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{23}$

$$\begin{split} \Sigma_{13} & \Sigma_{23} \\ \textbf{(}\alpha_1,\alpha_2\textbf{)} \text{ chosen as:} \\ \begin{cases} \frac{\gamma_3}{\lambda_{12}} < \alpha_1 < \frac{\lambda_3}{\gamma_{12}}, \alpha_2 = \textbf{1} & \text{ If } \lambda_{12} \leq \gamma_3 \\ \alpha_1 = \textbf{1}, \frac{\gamma_{12}}{\lambda_3} < \alpha_2 < \frac{\lambda_{12}}{\gamma_3} & \text{ If } \lambda_3 \leq \gamma_{12} \\ \alpha_1 = \textbf{1} & \text{ and } \alpha_2 = \textbf{1} & \text{ Otherwise} \\ \end{cases} \end{split}$$

Methodology

Proving **equivalence** of Σ_{cl} and Σ_{cH}



Methodology





Preprocessing of Σ_{I} and Σ_{H}



Equivalent Model of $\Sigma_{\rm H}$

- Output of Σ_H is nonlinear
- Higher degree in output leads to higher degree in BF
- Time complexity increases with degree of BF
- Σ'_H is voltage-controlled counting
 CTMC with linear output
- Computing BF based on Σ'_H is more time efficient



SoS Optimization Problem

SoS Polynomial: A multivariate polynomial function $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n) = \mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x})$ is an SoS polynomial if there exists $f_1(x), f_2(x), \dots, f_m(x)$ such that $\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{f}_{i}^{2}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{c}_{1} \mathbf{w}_{1} \mathbf{x}_{1}^{n} + \mathbf{c}_{2} \mathbf{w}_{2} \mathbf{x}_{1}^{n-1} \mathbf{x}_{2} + \mathbf{L}$ SoS Optimization Problem(SOSP): $\min_{\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{C}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{w}$ such that $p_i(x)$ is an SoS for i = 1, 2, ..., nwhere $\mathbf{C} = [\mathbf{C}_1, \mathbf{C}_2, \dots, \mathbf{C}_n]^T$, \mathbf{C}_i is co-efficient vector of $\mathbf{p}_i(\mathbf{x})$, for i = 1, 2, ..., n, and w is some given weight vector. SOSTOOLS:

A Matlab toolbox to solve SoS optimization problem.

Formulation of SOSPs for S_{IH} and S_{C}

 \mathbf{P}_{H} : SOSP to compute \mathbf{S}_{H} $\min_{\boldsymbol{C}} \boldsymbol{C}^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{w}$ such that **P**_{IH}: $S_{IH}(x_1, x_H) - (g_I(x_1) - g_H(x_H))^2$ is SoS $-(\frac{\partial S}{\partial x_{I}}A_{I}'(V_{I}) + \frac{\partial S}{\partial x_{II}}A_{H}''(V_{H})) - \lambda_{IH}S(x_{I}, x_{H})$ $+\gamma_{H} \parallel V_{I} - V_{H} \parallel$ is SoS for all (V₁, V_H) P_c : SOSP to compute S_c min C^Tw such that **P**_c: $S_c(x_c, x'_c) - (g_c(x_c) - g_c(x'_c))^2$ is SoS $-(\frac{\partial S}{\partial x_{c}}(G_{Na}(x_{c}-V_{Na})O_{I})+\frac{\partial S}{\partial x_{c}'}(G_{Na}(x_{c}'-V_{Na})O_{H})) \lambda_{c}S_{c}(\mathbf{x}_{c},\mathbf{x}_{c}') + \gamma_{c} \|\mathbf{O}_{I} - \mathbf{O}_{H}\|$ is SoS for all $(\mathbf{O}_{I},\mathbf{O}_{H})$

Issues to compute BFs in SOSTOOLS

- Choosing form of BFs
- Input space quantization
- Choosing optimization function
- Handling λ and γ

Choosing Form of BFs

- First step to compute BFs in SOSTOOLS is to choose form of BFs.
- Ellipsoidal polynomial (sosvar in SOSTOOLS) form is chosen for BFs:

$$\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \mathbf{z}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{z}$$

where $\mathbf{z} = [\mathbf{x}_1; \mathbf{x}_2]$, \mathbf{x}_i , for $\mathbf{i} = \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}$, is a state vector of Σ_i and \mathbf{Q} is a positive semi-definitve matrix which contains the decision variables of SOSP.

• pvar toolbox is used to define polynomial variable in SOSTOOLS.

Input Space Quantization

- Second condition of BF needs to be held for all pairs of inputs.
- SOSTOOLS can not handle continuous input space.
- BFS are computed using quantized input space in SOSTOOLS.



Continuous bounded input space ${\cal U}$

Quantized input space \mathcal{U}^d

Input Space Quantization Contd.

- Quantization of Input space can be justified by sensitivity analysis.
- Overall bound on output differences computed by BF due to input space quantization: δ₁ + δ₂ + δ₃.



Choosing Optimization Functions

- BF bounds outputput differences.
- Choosing a proper objective function is critical to obtain a tight bounds on output differences.
- Theorem 1 implicates BF is maximum at initial states.
- Minimizing BF at initial states provides better bound.



Fig. S_{μ} plotted along a pair of trajectories of Σ_{μ} and Σ_{μ} . Objective function-1: minimizes BF at all states. Objective function-2: minimizes BF only at initial states. 32

Handling λ and γ

- Fixed value is used for λ
- Fixed value is used for γ
- Criteria for choosing λ and γ :

$$\frac{\gamma_{IH}\gamma_{C}}{\lambda_{IH}\lambda_{C}} < 1 \text{ (sgc)}$$

Problem	BF	λ	γ
P_{IH}	S _{IH}	$\lambda_{IH} = 0.1$	$\gamma_{IH} = 0.001$
P _C	S _c	$\lambda_{C} = 0.01$	$\gamma_C = 0.0001$

Table: Fixed values for λ and γ

Results: BF between Two Sodium Channels

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{S}_{\mathsf{IH}} &= [\mathbf{X}_{\mathsf{I}}; \mathbf{X}_{\mathsf{H}}]^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{Q} [\mathbf{X}_{\mathsf{I}}; \mathbf{X}_{\mathsf{H}}] \\ \text{where } \mathbf{X}_{\mathsf{I}} &\in \mathcal{R}_{\geq 0}^{12}, \ \mathbf{X}_{\mathsf{H}} \in \mathcal{R}_{\geq 0}^{7} \text{ and } \mathbf{Q} \in \mathcal{R}^{19} \times \mathcal{R}^{19} \\ \text{is a positive semidefinitive matrix} \end{split}$$



Fig. \mathbf{S}_{IH} covers output differences and decays along two trajectories of Σ_{I} and Σ_{H} . Three pairs of trajectories are generated using three different pairs of input signals.

Results: BF for Context

 $S_{c} = 1.27V_{I}^{2} - 1.4599V_{I}V_{H} + 1.27V_{H}^{2}$



Fig. S_c covers output differences and decays along two trajectories of Σ_c . Three pairs of trajectories are generated using three different pairs of input signals.

Results: BF between Two Composed Systems



Fig. **S** covers output differences and decays along two trajectories of Σ_{cl} and Σ_{cH} . Three pairs of trajectories are generated using three different pairs of input signals.

Results: 3D Visualization of BFs



Fig. All three BFs cover the the corresponding output differences and are non-increasing at all time. BFs are plotted along the crossproduct of a pair of trajectories of the corresponding systems.

Results: Empirical Evidence of Compositionality



Fig. Simulation of two composed systems Σ_{cI} and Σ_{CH} . Substituition of Σ_{I} by Σ_{H} tends to accumultae error, but existence of BF between them ensures that the error is bounded. The mean **L1** error: Conductances: 9×10^{-3} , Voltage: **1.42mV**

Ongoing Work

- Applying abstraction and compositional reasoning to other ionic, pump and exchanger currents on IMW model
- More effective ways of covering input spaces
- Finding a better covering of output differences
 - Restricting the domain of BFs
 - Formalization of applying scaling functions on SOSTOOLS-based BFs
- Non-dimensionalization of context for more reasonable composed BF



Fig. Application of exponential scaling function on \mathbf{S}_{IH}



- Cast IMW cardiac cell model as a feedback composition of sodium channel and rest of the model
- Identified approximately bisimilar 2-state HH-type abstraction for 13-state sodium channel model of IMW using curve fitting-based procedure (PEFT+RFI)
- Identified BFs using Sum-of-Square relaxation in SOSTOOLS
- Verifying small-gain theorem for cardiac cell model
- Compositionality results for cardiac cell dynamics based on BFs