

Advanced Dynamical Systems CW1

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Q1 Flow properties

a) Let $c_1(x) = \frac{x_1+x_2}{2}$, $c_2(x) = \frac{x_1-x_2}{2}$ and define

$$\varphi(t, x) = \begin{pmatrix} c_1(x)e^t + c_2(x)e^{-t} \\ c_1(x)e^t - c_2(x)e^{-t} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (x_1+x_2)e^t + (x_1-x_2)e^{-t} \\ (x_1+x_2)e^t - (x_1-x_2)e^{-t} \end{pmatrix}$$

Check initial condition:

$$\varphi(0, x) = \begin{pmatrix} c_1(x) + c_2(x) \\ c_1(x) - c_2(x) \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (x_1+x_2) + (x_1-x_2) \\ (x_1+x_2) - (x_1-x_2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

Check composition condition:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(t_2, \varphi(t_1, x)) &= \varphi\left(t_2, \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (x_1+x_2)e^{t_1} + (x_1-x_2)e^{-t_1} \\ (x_1+x_2)e^{t_1} - (x_1-x_2)e^{-t_1} \end{pmatrix}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2(x_1+x_2)e^{t_1}e^{t_2} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2(x_1-x_2)e^{-t_1}e^{-t_2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2(x_1+x_2)e^{t_1}e^{t_2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2(x_1-x_2)e^{-t_1}e^{-t_2} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (x_1+x_2)e^{t_1+t_2} + (x_1-x_2)e^{-(t_1+t_2)} \\ (x_1+x_2)e^{t_1+t_2} - (x_1-x_2)e^{-(t_1+t_2)} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \varphi(t_1+t_2, x) \end{aligned}$$

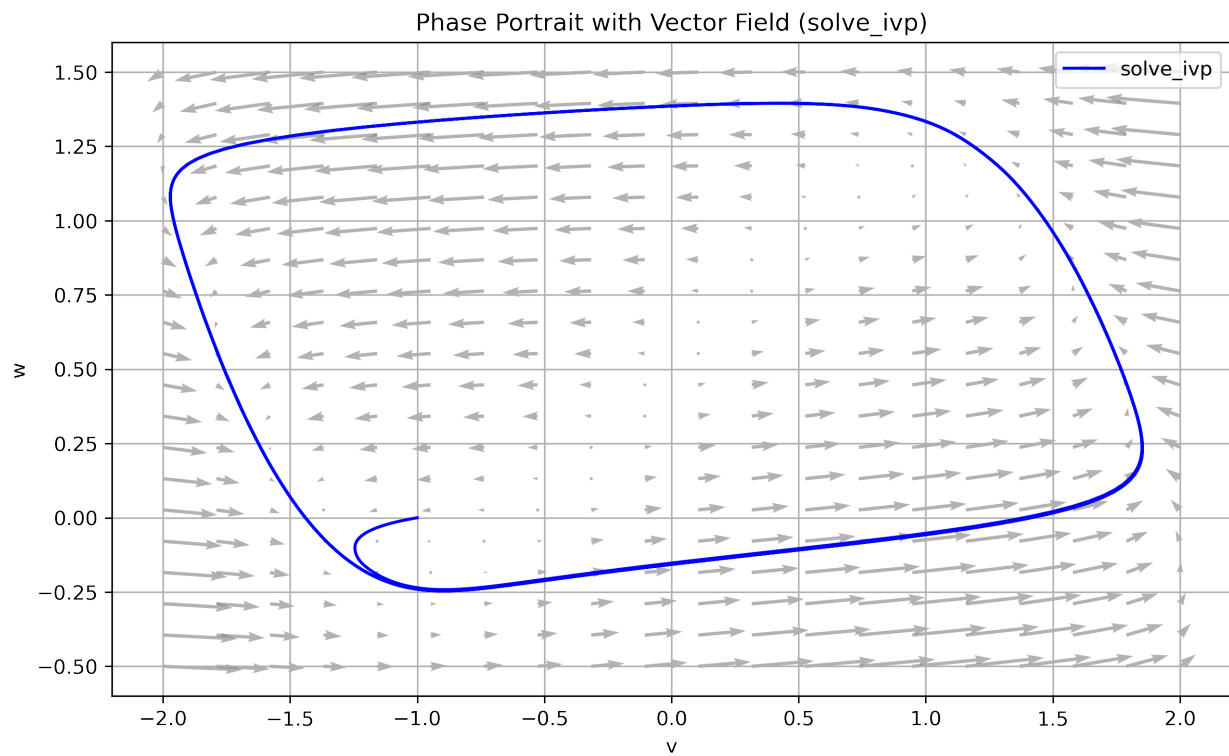
As both flow conditions are satisfied, this is a valid flow.

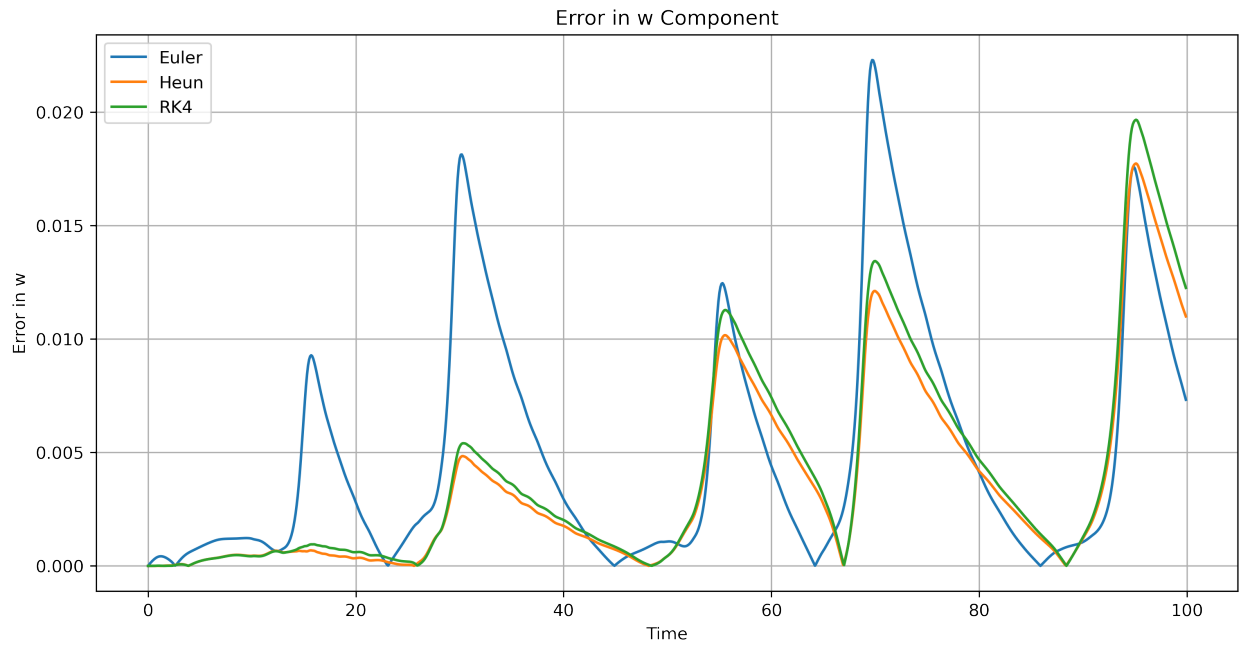
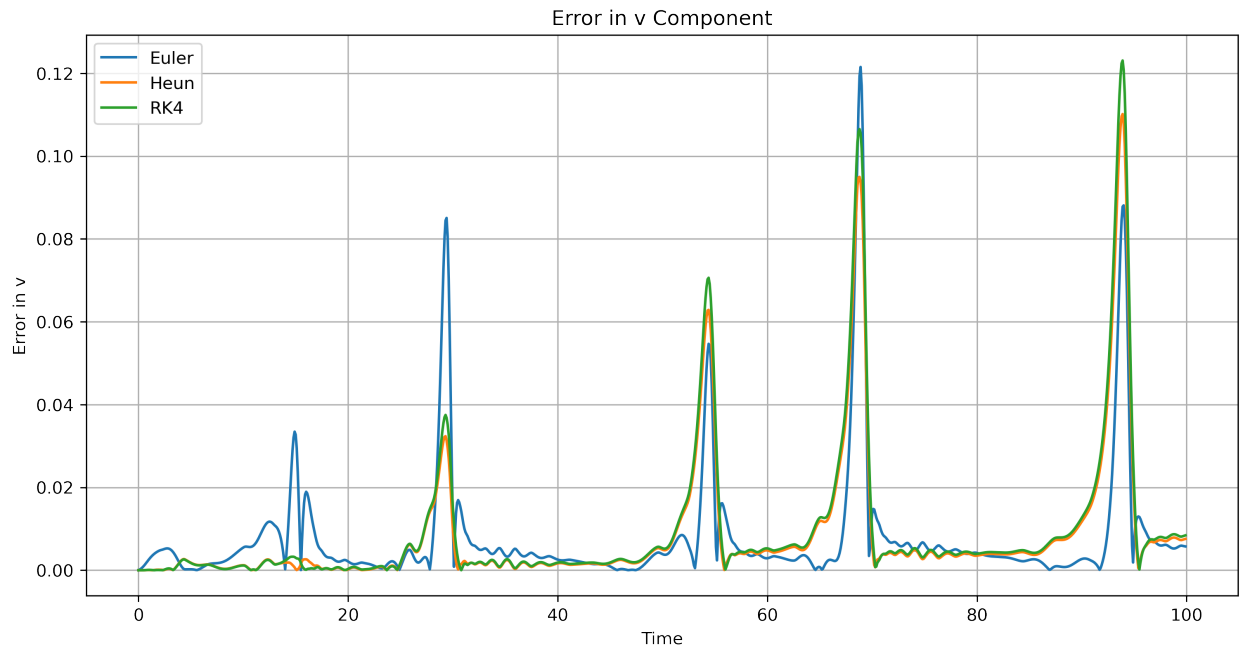
b) This is not a valid flow because the initial condition is not satisfied: there do not exist $c_1(x), c_2(x)$ such that

$$\varphi(0, x) = \left(\frac{1}{c_1(x) + c_2(x)}, \frac{c_1(x) - c_2(x)}{c_1(x) + c_1(x)} \right) = (0, 0)$$

as $c_1(x) + c_2(x)$ is always finite.

Q2 Comparing numerical integration methods for the FitzHugh-Nagumo model





We notice that both error graphs have five peaks. This makes sense because these occur when the “true” (solve_ivp) trajectory changes direction abruptly, which happens five times up to $t = 100$. The other numerical solvers, Euler, Heun and RK4, produce piecewise linear approximations of the true trajectory that are less accurate than solve_ivp, and the greater the true trajectory’s curvature, the more the line segment approximations of Euler, Heun and RK4 deviate from it, and so the larger the errors.

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1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 from scipy.integrate import solve_ivp
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6 # FitzHugh-Nagumo model
7 def fitzhugh_nagumo(t, y, epsilon, a, b, I):
8     v, w = y
9     dv_dt = v - (v**3) / 3 - w + I
10    dw_dt = epsilon * (v + a - b * w)
11    return [dv_dt, dw_dt]
12
13
14 # Euler method
15 def euler_method(f, y0, t_span, h):
16     t_vals = np.arange(t_span[0], t_span[1], h)
17     y_vals = np.zeros((len(t_vals), len(y0)))
18     y_vals[0] = y0
19     for i in range(1, len(t_vals)):
20         y_vals[i] = y_vals[i - 1] + h * np.array(f(t_vals[i - 1], y_vals[i - 1]))
21     return t_vals, y_vals
22
23
24 # Heun method
25 def heun_method(f, y0, t_span, h):
26     t_vals = np.arange(t_span[0], t_span[1], h)
27     y_vals = np.zeros((len(t_vals), len(y0)))
28     y_vals[0] = y0
29     for i in range(1, len(t_vals)):
30         k1 = np.array(f(t_vals[i - 1], y_vals[i - 1]))
31         k2 = np.array(f(t_vals[i - 1] + h, y_vals[i - 1] + h * k1))
32         y_vals[i] = y_vals[i - 1] + (h / 2) * (k1 + k2)
33     return t_vals, y_vals
34
35
36 # Runge-Kutta method
37 def runge_kutta_method(f, y0, t_span, h):
38     t_vals = np.arange(t_span[0], t_span[1], h)
39     y_vals = np.zeros((len(t_vals), len(y0)))
40     y_vals[0] = y0
41     for i in range(1, len(t_vals)):
42         k1 = np.array(f(t_vals[i - 1], y_vals[i - 1]))
43         k2 = np.array(f(t_vals[i - 1] + h / 2, y_vals[i - 1] + h * k1 / 2))
44         k3 = np.array(f(t_vals[i - 1] + h / 2, y_vals[i - 1] + h * k2 / 2))
45         k4 = np.array(f(t_vals[i - 1] + h, y_vals[i - 1] + h * k3))
46         y_vals[i] = y_vals[i - 1] + (h / 6) * (k1 + 2 * k2 + 2 * k3 + k4)
47     return t_vals, y_vals
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49
50 # Parameters
51 epsilon = 0.08

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52 a = 0.7
53 b = 0.8
54 I = 0.5
55 t_span = (0, 100)
56 h = 0.1
57 initial_conditions = [-1.0, 0.0]
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59 # Solve with numerical methods
60 f = lambda t, y: fitzhugh_nagumo(t, y, epsilon, a, b, I)
61
62 # Euler
63 t_euler, sol_euler = euler_method(f, initial_conditions, t_span, h)
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65 # Heun
66 t_heun, sol_heun = heun_method(f, initial_conditions, t_span, h)
67
68 # Runge-Kutta
69 t_rk4, sol_rk4 = runge_kutta_method(f, initial_conditions, t_span, h)
70
71 # solve_ivp
72 t_eval = np.arange(t_span[0], t_span[1], h)
73 ivp_solution = solve_ivp(fitzhugh_nagumo, t_span, initial_conditions, t_eval=t_eval,
74     ↪ args=(epsilon, a, b, I))
75 v_ivp, w_ivp = ivp_solution.y # Extract v and w components from the solution
76
77 # Compute errors
78 errors_v = {
79     "Euler": np.abs(sol_euler[:, 0] - v_ivp),
80     "Heun": np.abs(sol_heun[:, 0] - v_ivp),
81     "RK4": np.abs(sol_rk4[:, 0] - v_ivp),
82 }
83
84 errors_w = {
85     "Euler": np.abs(sol_euler[:, 1] - w_ivp),
86     "Heun": np.abs(sol_heun[:, 1] - w_ivp),
87     "RK4": np.abs(sol_rk4[:, 1] - w_ivp),
88 }
89
90 # Create vector field
91 def compute_vector_field(v_range, w_range, epsilon, a, b, I, density=20):
92     v_vals = np.linspace(*v_range, density)
93     w_vals = np.linspace(*w_range, density)
94     V, W = np.meshgrid(v_vals, w_vals)
95     dV = V - (V**3) / 3 - W + I
96     dW = epsilon * (V + a - b * W)
97     return V, W, dV, dW
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100 v_range = (-2, 2)
101 w_range = (-0.5, 1.5)

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102 V, W, dV, dW = compute_vector_field(v_range, w_range, epsilon, a, b, I)
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104 # Plot phase portrait with vector field
105 plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6), dpi=300)
106 plt.quiver(V, W, dV, dW, color='gray', alpha=0.6)
107 plt.plot(v_ivp, w_ivp, label="solve_ivp", color="blue")
108 plt.xlabel("v")
109 plt.ylabel("w")
110 plt.title("Phase Portrait with Vector Field (solve_ivp)")
111 plt.legend()
112 plt.grid()
113 plt.show()
114
115 # Plot errors
116 # Error in v
117 plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6), dpi=300)
118 for method, error in errors_v.items():
119     plt.plot(t_eval, error, label=f"{method}")
120 plt.xlabel("Time")
121 plt.ylabel("Error in v")
122 plt.title("Error in v Component")
123 plt.legend()
124 plt.grid()
125 plt.show()
126
127 # Error in w
128 plt.figure(figsize=(12, 6), dpi=300)
129 for method, error in errors_w.items():
130     plt.plot(t_eval, error, label=f"{method}")
131 plt.xlabel("Time")
132 plt.ylabel("Error in w")
133 plt.title("Error in w Component")
134 plt.legend()
135 plt.grid()
136 plt.show()

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