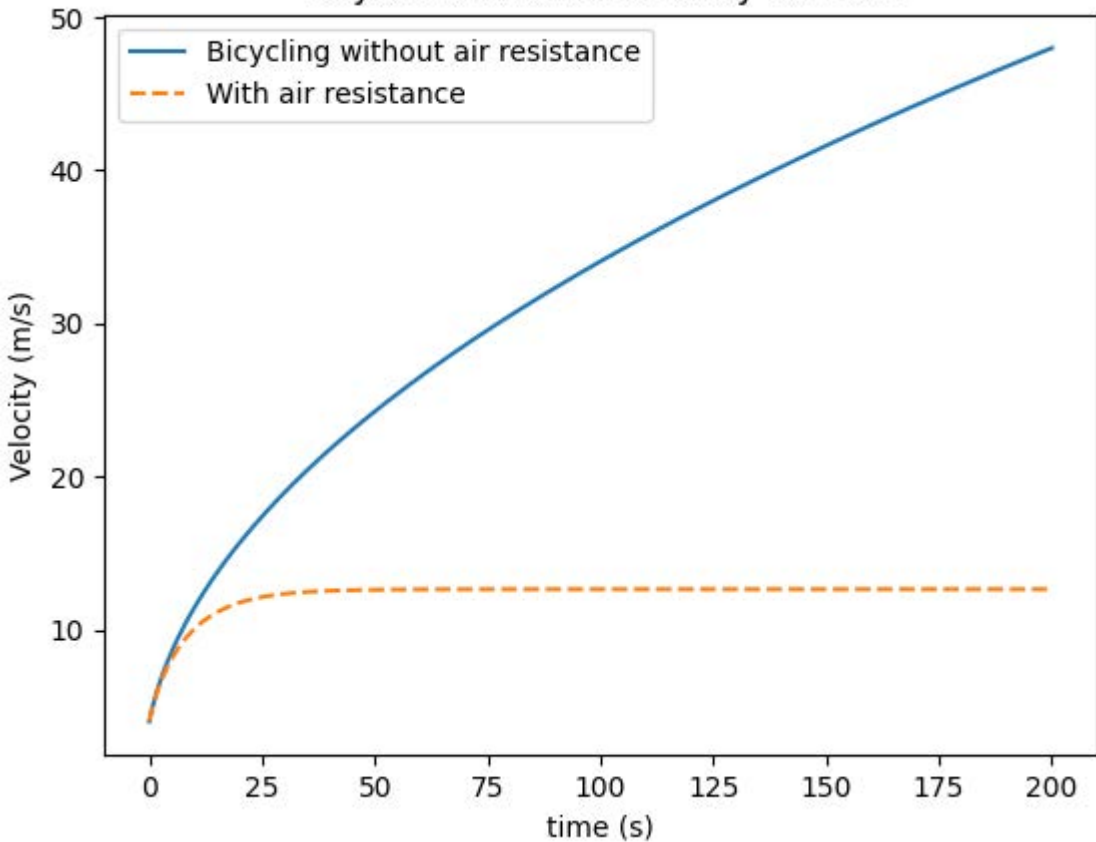


Bicycle simulation: velocity vs. time



```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
```

```
def main(p, m, step, dt, N, C=0, rhu=0, A=0):
```

```
    """
```

```
    p = power
```

```
    m = mass
```

```
    v = initial velocity
```

```
    dt = delta time
```

```
    N = number of iterations
```

```
    C = drag coefficient
```

```
    rhu = means  $\rho$ , air density
```

```
    A = frontal area
```

Implementation for equation 2.10 in Giordano's Computational Physics book, Page 22

Calculates the next value of velocity and time in a series up to N iterations.

Can be used to factor in air resistance, but by fault the drag force is zero.

```
    """
```

```
    for i in range(0, N):
```

```
        F_drag = ((C*rhu*A*step[i][0] ** 2)/(m))*dt
```

```
        v_i = (step[i][0] + (p/(m * step[i][0])) * dt) - F_drag
```

```
        t_i = (step[i][1] + dt)
```

```
        step[i+1] = [v_i, t_i]
```

```
    return step
```

```
def plot(x, y, title, labelx, labely, style='-', legendLabel=None):
```

```
    if(labelx is not None):
```

```
        plt.xlabel(labelx)
```

```
    if(labely is not None):
```

```
        plt.ylabel(labely)
```

```
    if(title is not None):
```

```
        plt.title(title)
```

```
    if(legendLabel is None):
```

```
        legendLabel = title
```

```
    line = plt.plot(x,y,style,label=legendLabel)
```

```
    plt.legend()
```

```
    return line
```

```
if __name__ == '__main__':
```

```
    steps = dict()
```

```
    #Power
```

```
    p = 400
```

```
    #mass
```

```
    m = 70
```

```
    #initial velocity
```

```
    v = 4
```

```
    #initial time
```

```
    t = 0
```

```
    #Increments of 0.1
```

```
    dt = 0.1
```

```
    #2000 iterations
```

```
    N = 2000
```

```
    #define initial array
```

```
steps[0] = [v, t]
```

```
main(p, m, steps, dt, N)
```

```
velocities = []
```

```
times = []
```

```
for key in steps.keys():
```

```
    velocities.append(steps[key][0])
```

```
    times.append(steps[key][1])
```

```
plot(times, velocities, 'Bicycling without air resistance', 'time (s)', 'Velocity (m/s)')
```

```
#C - drag coefficient
```

```
dragcoef=0.5
```

```
# $\rho$  - air density (kg/m3)
```

```
 $\rho$  = 1.2
```

```
#A = frontal area (m2)
```

```
frontalarea=0.33
```

```
main(p, m, steps, dt, N, C=dragcoef, $\rho$ = $\rho$ ,A=frontalarea)
```

```
velocities = []
```

```
times = []
```

```
for key in steps.keys():
```

```
    velocities.append(steps[key][0])
```

```
    times.append(steps[key][1])
```

```
plot(times, velocities, 'Bicycle simulation: velocity vs. time', 'time (s)', 'Velocity (m/s)', '--', 'With air resistance')
```

```
plt.show()
```