

Assignment – 1, 2 ,3 ,4 ,5

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Assignment - 1

The Binary Search and Information Entropy

Average information content is given by the formula, $\langle I \rangle = -k \sum_i P_i \log_2 P_i$, in which k is constant and P_i is the probability of an event.

(a) For a two-outcome problem (eg. a coin toss), Show that $\langle I \rangle$ peaks at $P=1/2$.

$$f_p \langle I \rangle = -k (p \log_2 p + (1-p) \log_2 (1-p))$$

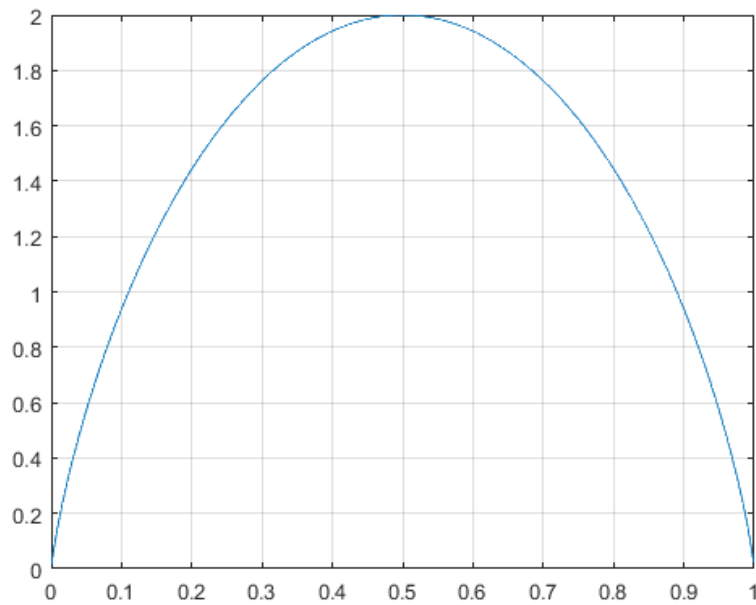
$$f'_p \langle I \rangle = -k (\log_2 p + 1 - 1 - \log_2 (1-p))$$

$$f'_p \langle I \rangle = 0 \text{ for maximize,}$$

$$\log_2 p = \log_2 (1-p)$$

$$p = 1-p$$

$$p = 1/2$$



(b) Apply a very small perturbation as $P = \frac{1}{2} + e$, in which $e \ll \frac{1}{2}$. Show that perturbation approach $\langle I \rangle = a - be^2$, where $a = k$ and $b = (4k)/\ln 2$.

$$\langle I \rangle = -k (\varepsilon + 12 \ln \frac{\varepsilon + 12 + 12 - \varepsilon \ln \frac{\varepsilon + 12 + 12 - \varepsilon}{2}}{2} - \varepsilon)$$

$$\langle I \rangle = -k (\varepsilon + 12 \ln \frac{\varepsilon + 12 + 12 - \varepsilon \ln \frac{\varepsilon + 12 + 12 - \varepsilon}{2}}{2} - 2\varepsilon + 12)$$

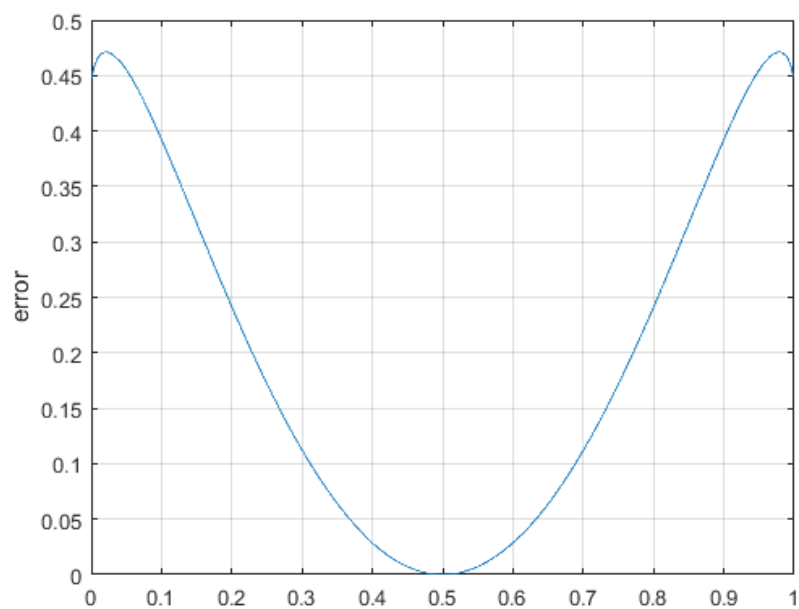
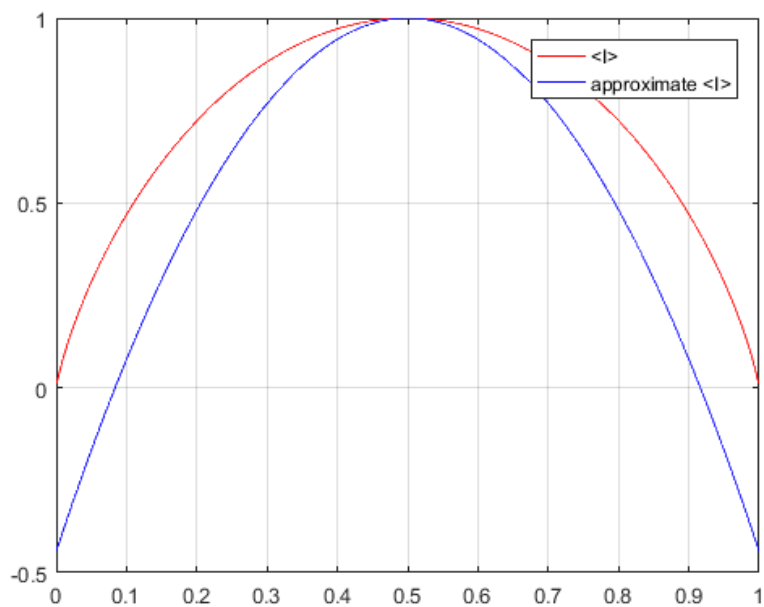
$$\langle I \rangle = -k (\varepsilon + 12 \ln \frac{\varepsilon + 12 + 12 - \varepsilon \ln \frac{\varepsilon + 12 + 12 - \varepsilon}{2}}{2} - 1 + 12 - \varepsilon - 2 \ln \frac{\varepsilon + 12 + 12 - \varepsilon}{2} - 1)$$

$$\langle I \rangle = -k 4 \varepsilon 2 \ln \frac{\varepsilon + 12 + 12 - \varepsilon}{2} - 1$$

$$\langle I \rangle = k - 4k \ln \frac{\varepsilon + 12 + 12 - \varepsilon}{2} \varepsilon^2$$

$$a = k \text{ and } b = 4k \ln \frac{\varepsilon + 12 + 12 - \varepsilon}{2}$$

(c) plot for both the actual function and the approximate function together and then compare the graph for closeness on the line. For plotting choose $k=1$.



Assignment - 2

An Astrophysical Inflow

In the problem of spherically symmetric astrophysical accretion, interstellar fluid matter (a very thin gas) travels a great distance (almost from infinity) along radial lines and falls on to a massive star (or a neutron star or even a black hole) located at the origin of coordinates. The star can be treated as a point-like particle, and the rate of the fluid flow (matter flowing in unit time) on to it is given as

$$\dot{m} = \pi G^2 M^2 \rho_\infty^3 c_{s\infty}^{3\gamma-5} \gamma^{-2}$$

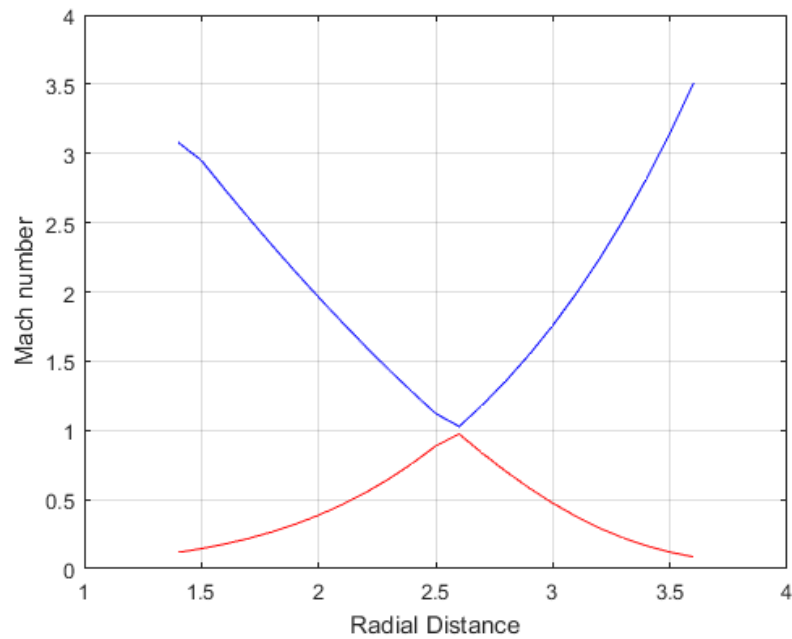
in which G is Newton's universal gravitational constant, M is the mass of the central astrophysical object, ρ_∞ is the constant density of the gas at infinity, $c_{s(\infty)}$ is the speed of sound at infinity, and γ is a dimensionless number called the polytropic exponent ($1 \leq \gamma \leq 5/3$). The velocity of the fluid flow v , as a function of the radial distance from the centre r , is given by the equation

$$f_{v,r} = v^2 + n\mu \frac{v}{r} - \frac{GM}{r} - nc_{s\infty}^2 = 0$$

$$\mu = \frac{4\pi \rho_\infty c_{s\infty}^2}{n}$$

$$n = \frac{1}{\gamma - 1}$$

Solve Eq.(1) by the bisection method to find $v(r)$, using the values $M = 2 \times 10^{30}$ kg, $c_{s(\infty)} = 10 \text{ km s}^{-1}$, $\rho_\infty = 10^{-21} \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ and $n = 2.5$. These values are typical of accretion of the interstellar medium on to a star. Each value of r in Eq.(1) will give a set of two real and physical roots of v . The plot of $v(r)$ is shown in Fig. 1, in which v is scaled as the Mach number, $v(r)/c_{s(r)}$. Obtain a similar plot.



Assignment - 3

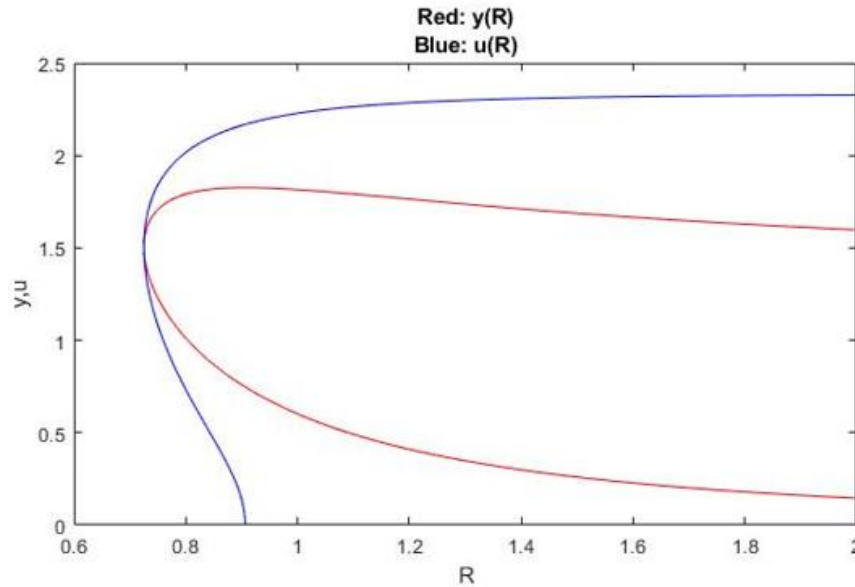
A Nuclear Outflow

High-energy impacts and collisions among elementary particles can result in an outflow of nuclear fluid. The rescaled equations of the steady outflow are,

$$xyR^2 = 1 ,$$

$$y^2 + 3x^2 - 4x = B,$$

the velocity of an acoustic wave in the nuclear matter is $u^2 = x(3x - 2)$. On the same graph now plot R versus u .

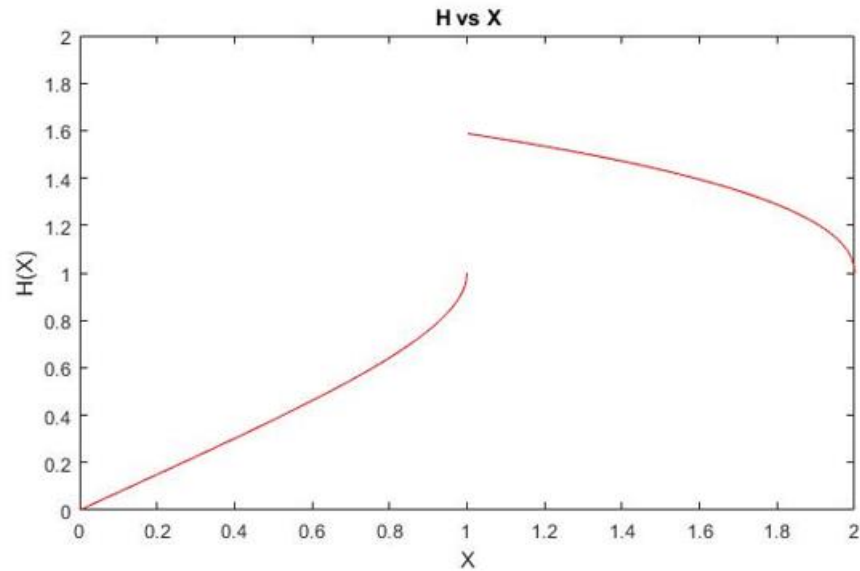


Assignment - 4

The Hydraulic Jump

In a hydraulic jump, the height of a flowing liquid increases abruptly, without any pumping action. In a steady one-dimensional liquid flow, the rescaled equation of the flow is $4H - H^4 = 3(X - D)$, in which H is the flow height, X is the distance, and D is a constant.

- (a) Restrict your study to the range $X \geq 0$, and first analyse all the implications of dH/dX .
- (b) Analytically solve the quartic equation $H \equiv H(X)$. For the condition $X = H = 0$, plot X along the horizontal axis and H along the vertical axis of a graph. On the same graph, repeat the plotting exercise for $H = 1$ when $X = 2$



Assignment - 5

The Lienard system

Apply the fourth-order Runge-Kutta method on this system. Solve separately for the two initial conditions $(\varphi, \psi) = (0.95, 0), (1.05, 0)$. Plot φ versus ψ .

