

Numerical Realizations of the Stochastic KdV Equation With and Without Damping

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Abstract

We investigate numerical simulations of an exact solution of a stochastic Korteweg-deVries equation under Gaussian white noise. We compare the expectation values of the exact solutions to theoretical expectation values and to the numerical simulations of the stochastic Korteweg-deVries equation with and without damping. We find on average the diffused soliton vanishes long before the typically reported asymptotic limit.

$$u_t + 6uu_x + u_{xxx} = \zeta(t) - \gamma u.$$

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Exact Solution of Stochastic KdV - Wadati - 1983

$$u_t + 6uu_x + u_{xxx} = \zeta(t), \quad (1)$$

$\zeta(t)$ is Gaussian white noise: zero mean and ($\langle * \rangle = E[*]$)

$$\langle \zeta(t)\zeta(t') \rangle = 2\epsilon\delta(t - t'). \quad (2)$$

Using the **Galilean transformation**

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= U(X, T) + W(T), \\ X &= x + m(t), \quad T = t, \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$m(t) = -6 \int_0^t W(t') dt', \quad W(t) = \int_0^t \zeta(t') dt',$$

the stochastic KdV equation can be transformed into the KdV equation:

$$U_T + 6UU_X + U_{XXX} = 0, \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta(t) &= u_t + 6uu_x + u_{xxx} \\ &= (U + W)_T - 6WU_X + 6(U + W)U_X + U_{XXX} \\ &= U_T + 6UU_X + U_{XXX} + W_T. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

The One Soliton Solution Under Noise

We consider the one soliton solution of the KdV:

$$U(X, T) = 2\eta^2 \operatorname{sech}^2(\eta(X - 4\eta^2 T - X_0)) \quad (6)$$

This leads directly to an exact solution of the stochastic KdV equation:

$$u(x, t) = 2\eta^2 \operatorname{sech}^2 \left(\eta \left(x - 4\eta^2 t - x_0 - 6 \int_0^t W(t') dt' \right) \right) + W(t). \quad (7)$$

Statistical Averages:

$$\langle u(x, t) \rangle = 2\eta^2 \left\langle \operatorname{sech}^2 \left(\eta \left(x - 4\eta^2 t - x_0 - 6 \int_0^t W(t') dt' \right) \right) \right\rangle.$$

Noting

$$\operatorname{sech}^2 z = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} n e^{2nz}. \quad (8)$$

Wadati then proceeded by computing.

$$\langle u(x, t) \rangle = 8\eta^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} n \left\langle \exp \left[2n\eta \left(x - 4\eta^2 t - x_0 - 6 \int_0^t W(t') dt' \right) \right] \right\rangle.$$

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$$\langle W(t) \rangle = 0. \quad (9)$$

$$\langle W(t_1)W(t_2) \rangle = 2\epsilon \min(t_1, t_2). \quad (10)$$

$$\langle \exp(cW(t)) \rangle = \exp\left(\frac{1}{2}c^2 \langle W^2(t) \rangle\right). \quad (11)$$

This implies

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \exp\left(\pm 12n\eta \int_0^t W(t') dt'\right) \right\rangle &= \exp\left(72n^2\eta^2 \int_0^t \int_0^t \langle W(t_1)W(t_2) \rangle dt_2 dt_1\right) \\ &= \exp(48n^2\eta^2 \epsilon t^3). \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

The Exact Solution for $\langle u(x, t) \rangle$ via the Diffusion Equation

So far, we have

$$\langle u(x, t) \rangle = 8\eta^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} n e^{na+n^2b}, \quad (13)$$

where

$$a = 2\eta(x - x_0 - 2\eta^2 t), \quad b = 48\eta^2 \epsilon t^3.$$

Differentiating with respect to a and b leads to the initial value problem for $w(a, b) = \langle u(x, t) \rangle$:

$$w_b = w_{aa}, \quad w(a, 0) = 2\eta^2 \operatorname{sech}^2 \frac{a}{2}.$$

This is solved using the Fourier transform:

$$\hat{w}(k, b) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} w(a, b) e^{-iak} da, \quad (14)$$

Thus, we have the new IVP

$$\hat{w}_b = -k^2 \hat{w}, \quad (15)$$

$$\hat{w}(k, 0) = 2\eta^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \operatorname{sech}^2 \frac{a}{2} e^{-iak} da = 8\eta^2 \frac{\pi k}{\sinh \pi k}. \quad (16)$$

Solving the Diffusion Equation

Therefore, the transform solution is

$$\hat{w}(k, b) = 8\eta^2 \frac{\pi k}{\sinh \pi k} e^{-bk^2} \quad (17)$$

and thus we have

$$\langle u(x, t) \rangle = \frac{4\eta^2}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\pi k}{\sinh \pi k} e^{iak - bk^2} dk. \quad (18)$$

Using the transform pairs

$$f(a) = 2\eta^2 \operatorname{sech}^2 \frac{a}{2} \Leftrightarrow \hat{f}(k) = 8\eta^2 \frac{\pi k}{\sinh \pi k}$$

$$g(a, b) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi b}} e^{-a^2/4b} \Leftrightarrow \hat{g}(k, b) = e^{-bk^2}.$$

The Convolution Theorem gives the exact result

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u(x, t) \rangle &= (f * g)(a) \\ &= \frac{\eta^2}{\sqrt{\pi b}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(a-s)^2/4b} \operatorname{sech}^2 \frac{s}{2} ds, \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

where

$$a = 2\eta(x - x_0 - 2\eta^2 t), \quad b = 48\eta^2 \epsilon t^3.$$

The Damped Stochastic KdV

$$u_t + 6uu_x + u_{xxx} = \zeta(t) - \gamma u, \quad (20)$$

can be transformed into the damped KdV equation:

$$U_T + 6UU_X + U_{XXX} = -\gamma U, \quad (21)$$

using the Galilean transformation

$$\begin{aligned} u(x, t) &= U(X, T) + W(T), \\ X = x + m(t), \quad W(t) &= e^{-\gamma t} \int_0^t \zeta(t') e^{\gamma t'} dt', \quad m(t) = -6 \int_0^t W(t') dt'. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

The leading order solution

$$U_0(X, T) = 2\eta^2(\tau) \operatorname{sech}^2 [\eta(\tau)X + X_0(\tau)], \quad \eta_\tau = -\frac{2}{3}\gamma\eta, \quad X_{0\tau} = -4\eta^2 + \frac{\gamma}{3\eta}, \quad (23)$$

leads to the exact average

$$\langle u(x, t) \rangle = \frac{\eta^2}{\sqrt{\pi b}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-(a-s)^2/4b} \operatorname{sech}^2 \frac{s}{2} ds \quad (24)$$

$$\text{where } a = 2\eta(x - x_0 - 2\eta^2 t), \quad b = \frac{72\epsilon\eta^2}{\gamma^3} [2\gamma t - 3 + 4e^{-\gamma t} - e^{-2\gamma t}]$$

Asymptotics

Large Time Behavior of the Soliton Peak:

$$\langle u(x, t) \rangle_{\max} = \langle u(x, t) \rangle |_{a=0} = \frac{\eta^2}{\sqrt{\pi b}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-s^2/4b} \operatorname{sech}^2 \frac{s}{2} ds \quad (25)$$

where

$$b = \begin{cases} 48\eta^2\epsilon t^3, & \text{No Damping} \\ \frac{72\epsilon\eta^2}{\epsilon\gamma^3} [2\gamma t - 3 + 4e^{-\gamma t} - e^{-2\gamma t}], & \text{Damping} \end{cases}$$

For large times ($b = 48\eta^2\epsilon t^2 \gg 1$ or $b \sim 144\epsilon\eta^2 t/\gamma^2 \gg 1$):

$$\langle u(x, t) \rangle = \frac{4\eta^2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \left(1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2^{2n} - 2)B_n\pi^{2n}}{(2n)!} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial b^n} \right) \frac{e^{-a^2/4b}}{\sqrt{b}}. \quad (26)$$

Most focus on the $t \rightarrow \infty$ result that

$$\langle u(x, t)_{\max} \rangle \sim \begin{cases} \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{3\pi\epsilon}} t^{-3/2}, & \text{No Damping} \\ \frac{\eta_0\gamma}{12\sqrt{\pi\epsilon}} t^{-1/2} e^{-2\gamma t/3}, & \text{Damping} \end{cases}$$

Numerical Simulation of the Stochastic KdV

Zabusky and Kruskal (1965) studied the KdV equation using the finite difference approximation [2]:

$$u_t = \frac{u(j, n+1) - u(j, n-1)}{2\Delta t} + O(\Delta t^2) \quad (27)$$

$$u = \frac{u(j+1, n) + u(j, n) + u(j-1, n)}{3} + O(\Delta x^2) \quad (28)$$

$$u_x = \frac{u(j+1, n) - u(j-1, n)}{2\Delta x} + O(\Delta x^2) \quad (29)$$

$$u_{xxx} = \frac{u(j+2, n) - 2u(j+1, n) + 2u(j-1, n) - u(j-2, n)}{2\Delta x^3} + O(\Delta x^2), \quad (30)$$

where $t = n\Delta t$ and $x = a + j\Delta x$.

Stability Condition: $\Delta t = \frac{(\Delta x)^3}{4}$

Herman and Kickerbocker (1990) noted the velocity shift

$$v = \frac{dx_c}{dt} = 4\eta^2 - \frac{4}{5}\eta^4\Delta x^2, \quad (31)$$

Simulating Brownian Motion

We use discretized Brownian motion, where $W(t)$ is specified at discrete t values.

Let, $\delta t = T/N$ for some positive integer N and let W_j denote $W(t_j)$ with $t_j = j\delta t$.

Conditions for Brownian motion tell us that

1. $W_0 = 0$ with probability 1, and
2. $W_j = W_{j-1} + dW_j$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, N$

where each dW_j is an independent random variable of the form $\sqrt{\delta t}N(0, 1)$, where $N(0, 1)$ denotes a normally distributed random variable with zero mean and unit variance.

$$W_{t+1} - W_t = \Delta W_t,$$

$$E\{\Delta W_t\} = 0,$$

$$E\{\Delta W_t^2\} = \Delta t$$

$$W_{t+1} = W_t + \sqrt{\Delta t} \cdot N(0, 1),$$

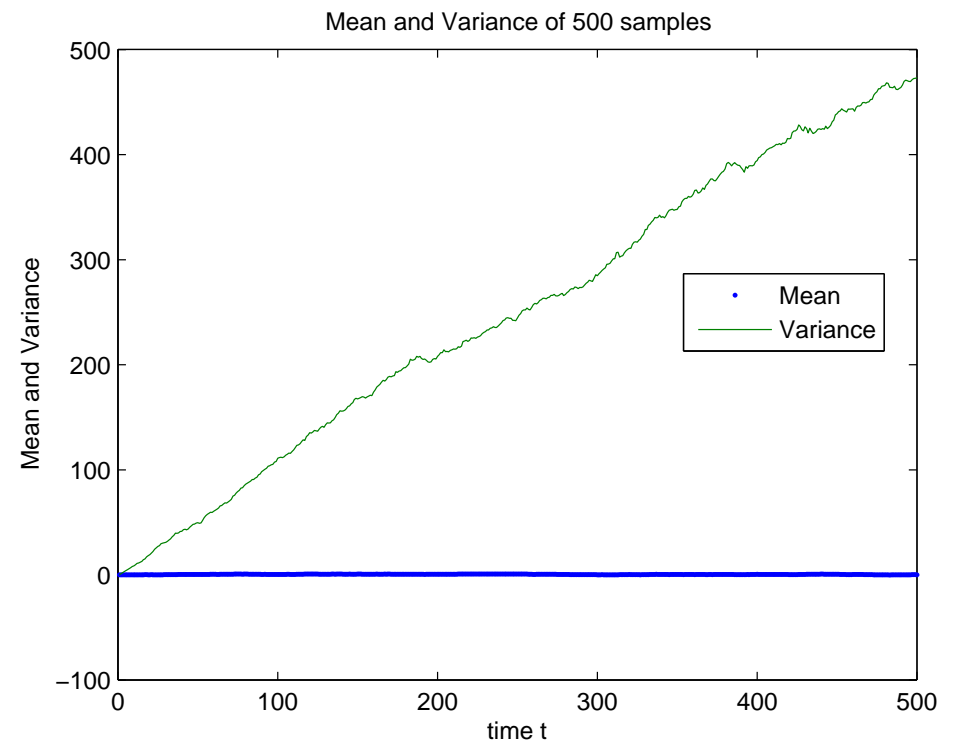
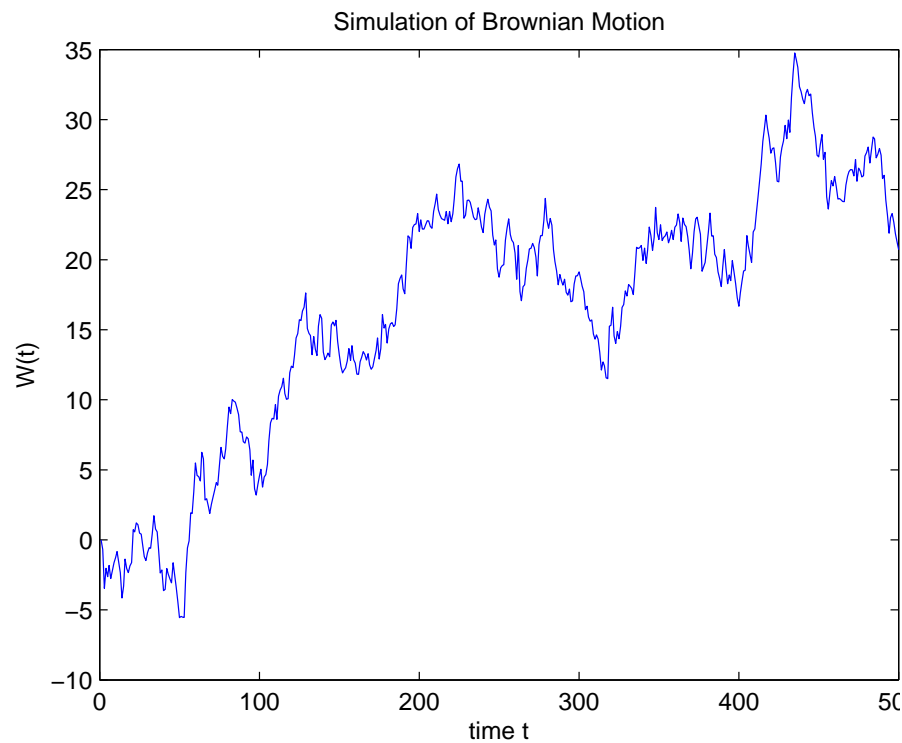
$$W_0 = 0$$

Brownian Motion - Simulation, Mean, and Variance

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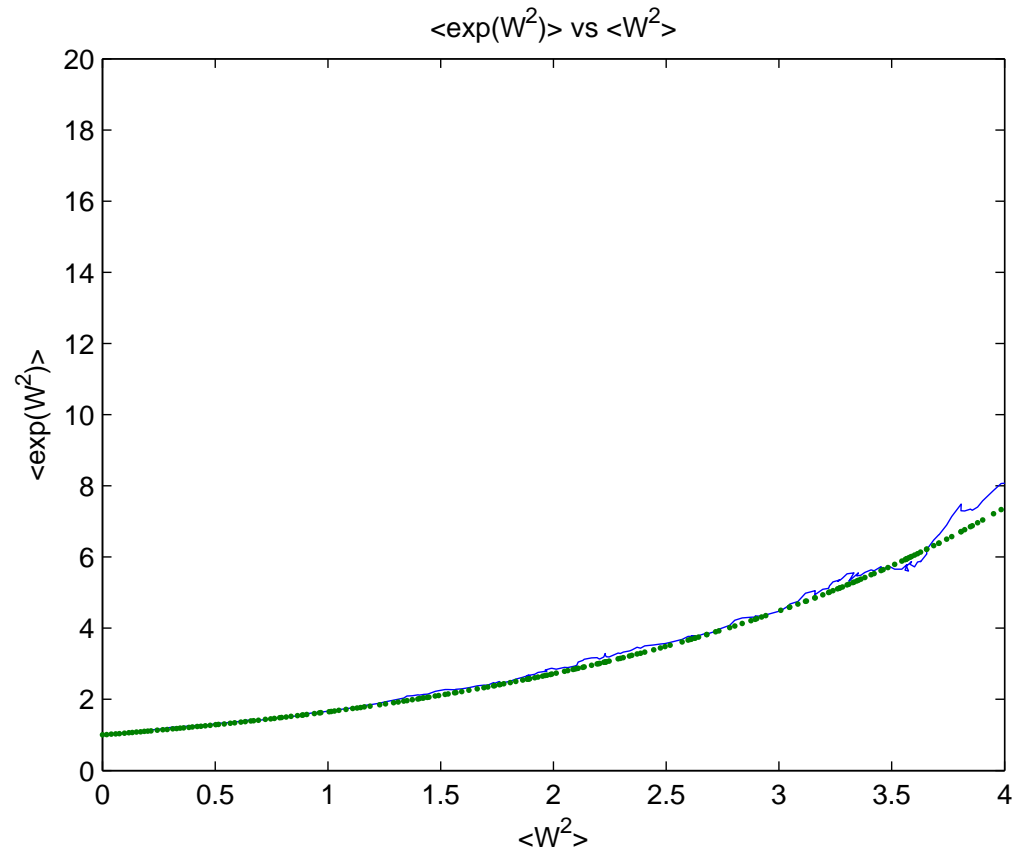
randn('state',100)           % set the state of randn
T = 1; N = 500; dt = T/N;
dW = sqrt(dt)*randn(1,N);    % increments
W = cumsum(dW);              % cumulative sum

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Wadati Identity

The other identity to confirm is $\langle \exp(cW(t)) \rangle = \exp(\frac{1}{2} \langle W^2(t) \rangle)$.



Numerical Results - Code for Averaged Soliton

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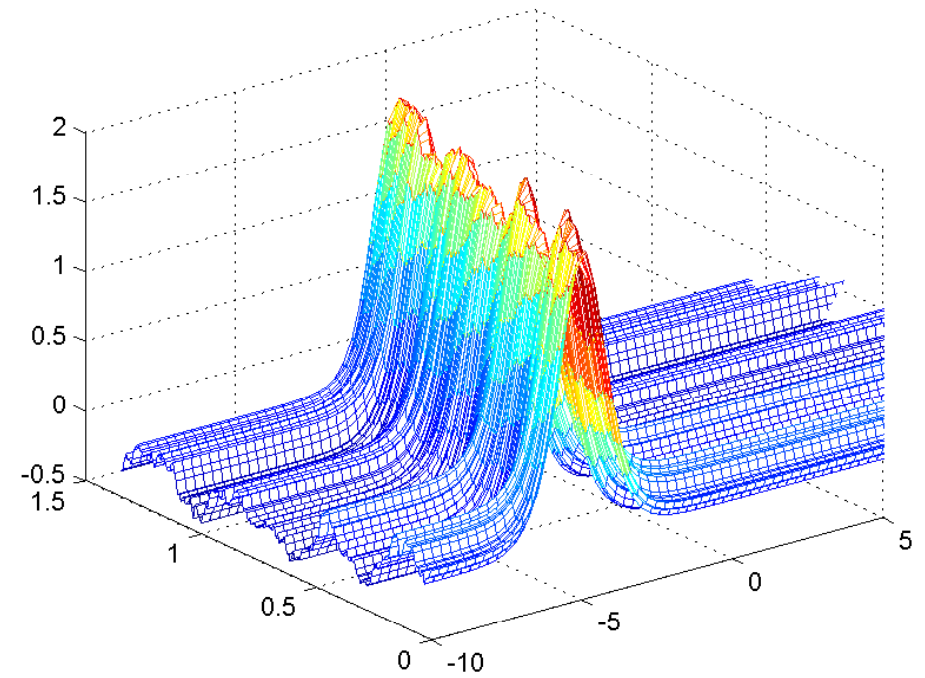
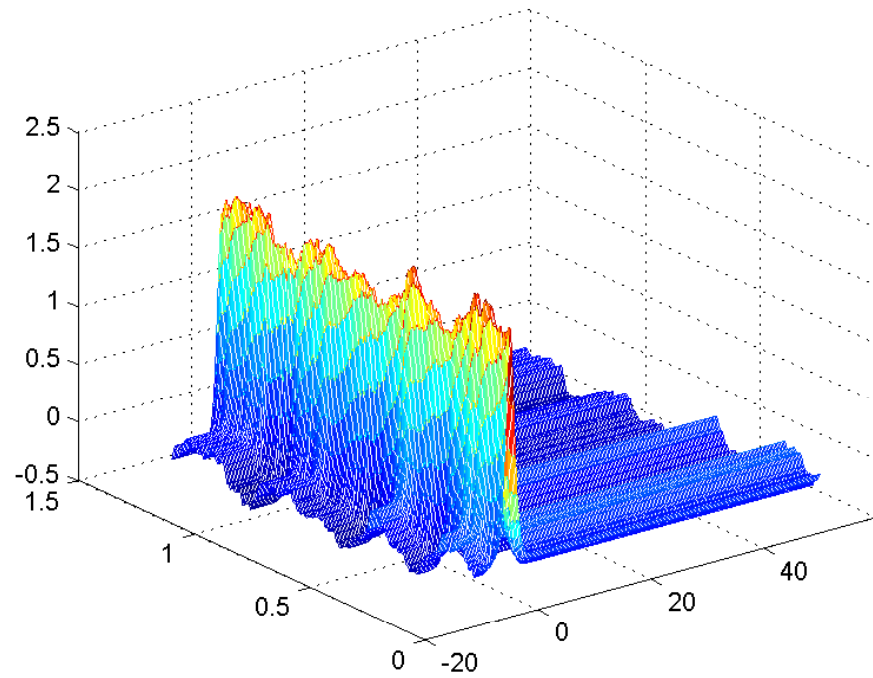
mu=sqrt(2*eps);

uu=zeros(Tsteps,N+1);
for k=1:M
    r=randn(Tsteps,1);
    w=zeros(Tsteps,1);
    Iw=zeros(Tsteps,1);
    w(1)=0;
    Iw(1)=w(1)/2*dt;
    for i=2:Tsteps
        w(i)=w(i-1)+mu*sqrt(dt)*r(i);
        Iw(i)=Iw(i-1)+(w(i-1)+w(i))/2*dt;
    end

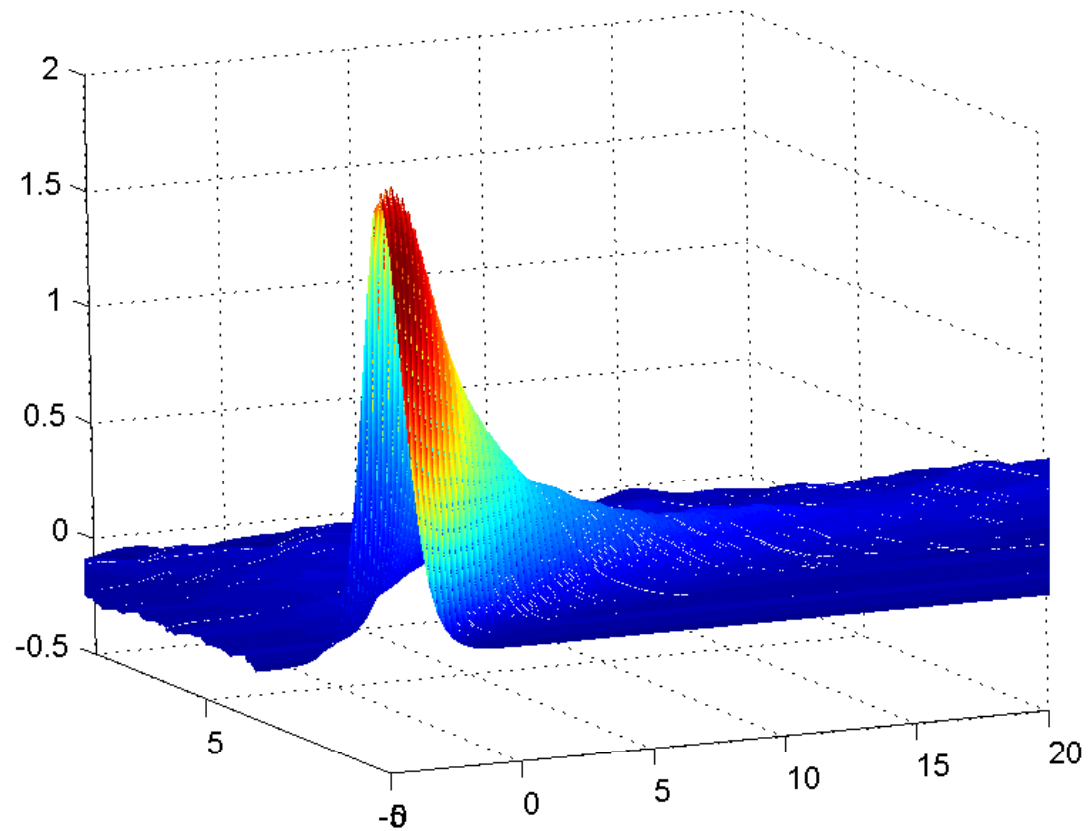
    u=zeros(Tsteps,N+1);
    for i=1:Tsteps;
        for j=1:N+1;
            u(i,j)=w(i)+2*zeta^2*(sech(zeta*(x(j)-4*zeta^2*t(i)-x0-
6*Iw(i))))).^2;
        end
    end
    uu=uu+u;
end
uu=uu/M;

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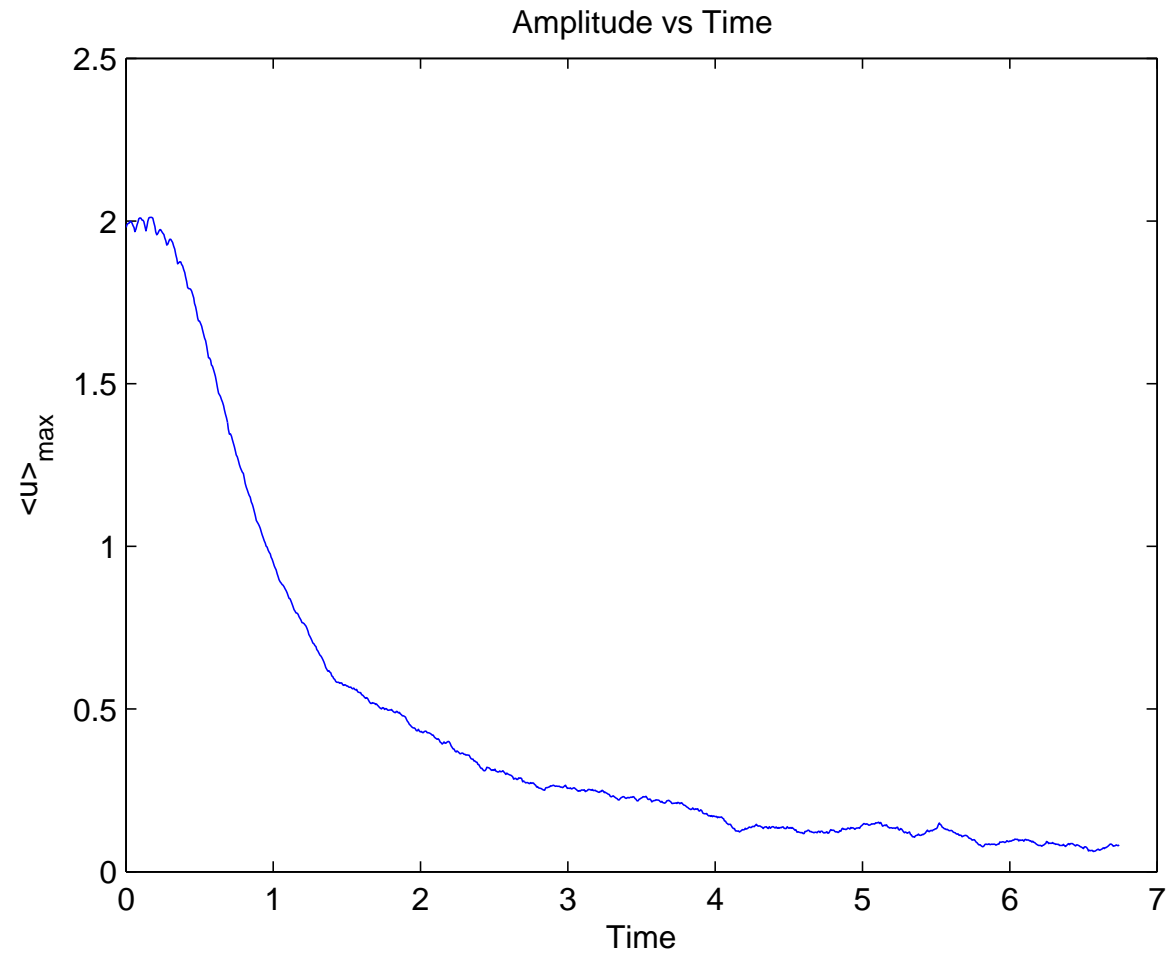
Single Soliton Plus Noise



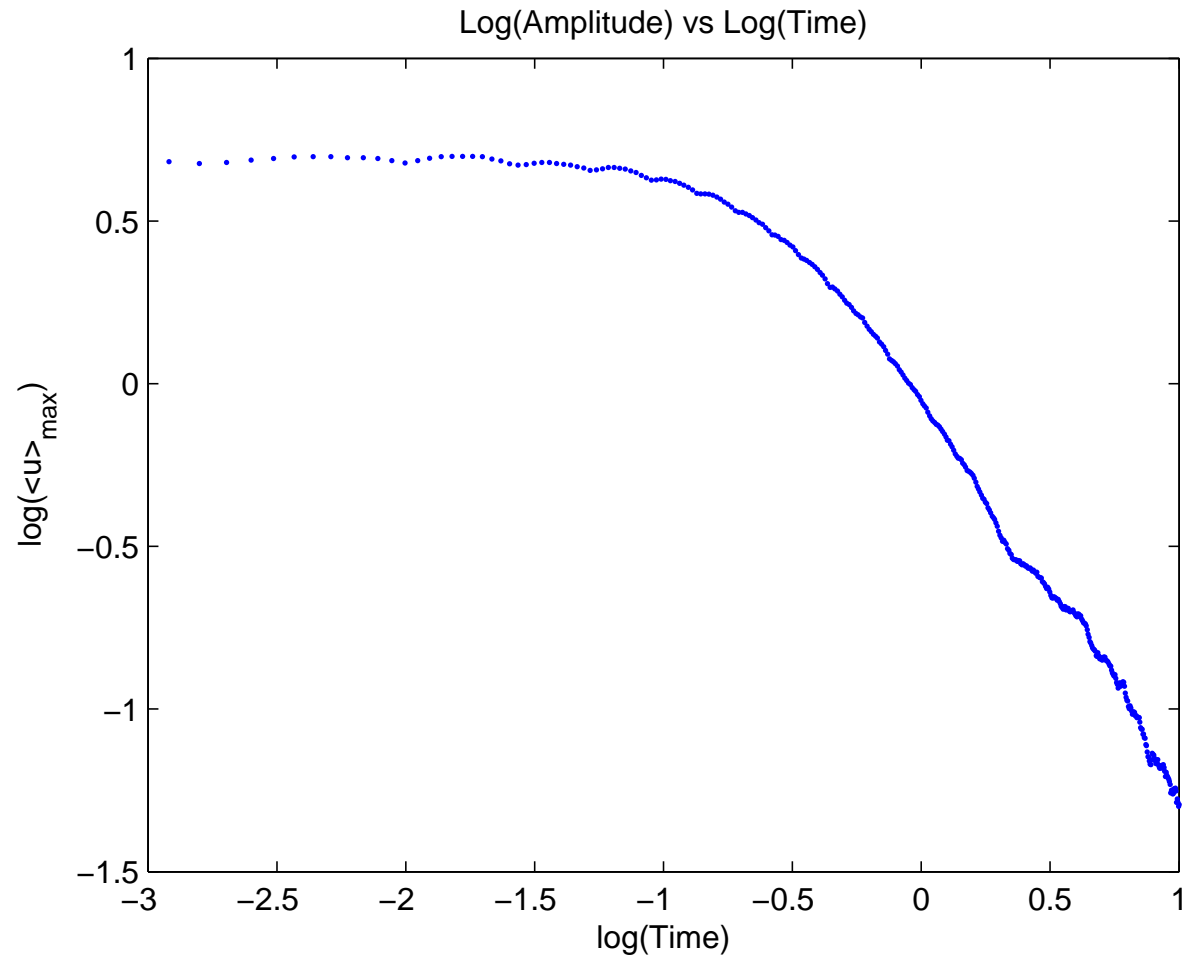
Averaged Soliton with Noise



Average Soliton Amplitude



Loglog Plot for Average Soliton Amplitude



Zabusky-Kruskal Scheme Plus Stochastic Terms

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for count=1:runs
    % Generate Gaussian noise
    for j=1:Tsteps
        dW(j)=mu*sqrt(dt)*randn;
    end;
    % Time Loop
    for i=3:Tsteps
        % Generate solution using Zabusky-Kruskal scheme
        for j=3:N-1
            u2(j)=u0(j)-((2*dt*u1(j+1))/(dx))*(u1(j+1)-u1(j-1))+...
            u1(j)+u1(j-1)-1/(dx^2))+((2*dt*u1(j-1))/(dx))*...
            (u1(j)+u1(j-1)-1/(dx^2))-(dt*u1(j+2))/dx^3+...
            (dt*u1(j-2))/dx^3+(dW(i)+dW(i-1));
        end;
    end;
end;

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Vectorized Form

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A=(spdiags(-2*ones(N1),1,N1,N1)+spdiags(ones(N1),2,N1,N1)
...+spdiags(2*ones(N1),-1,N1,N1)+spdiags(-ones(N1),-2,N1,N1))*dt/dx^3;
B=(spdiags(ones(N1),1,N1,N1)+spdiags(-ones(N1),-1,N1,N1))*dt/dx;
C=(spdiags(ones(N1),1,N1,N1)+spdiags(ones(N1),0,N1,N1)
...+spdiags(ones(N1),-1,N1,N1))*2;
D=spdiags(ones(Tsteps),0,Tsteps,Tsteps)+spdiags(ones(Tsteps),-1,Tsteps,Tsteps);

for chunk=1:Nchunks
    for i=istart:Tsteps
        for count=1:runs
            dW=mu*sqrt(dt)*randn(1,Tsteps);
            % Zabusky-Kruskal scheme:
            %     terms are given in vectorized form as
            %     UXXX=A*u1;
            %     UX=B*u1;
            %     U=C*u1;
            %     u2 = uu0-UXXX-U.*UX;
            u2 = u0 -A*u1-(C*u1).*(B*u1)+ddW(i)*ones(size(u0));
        end;
    end;
end;

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Stochastic KdV Results

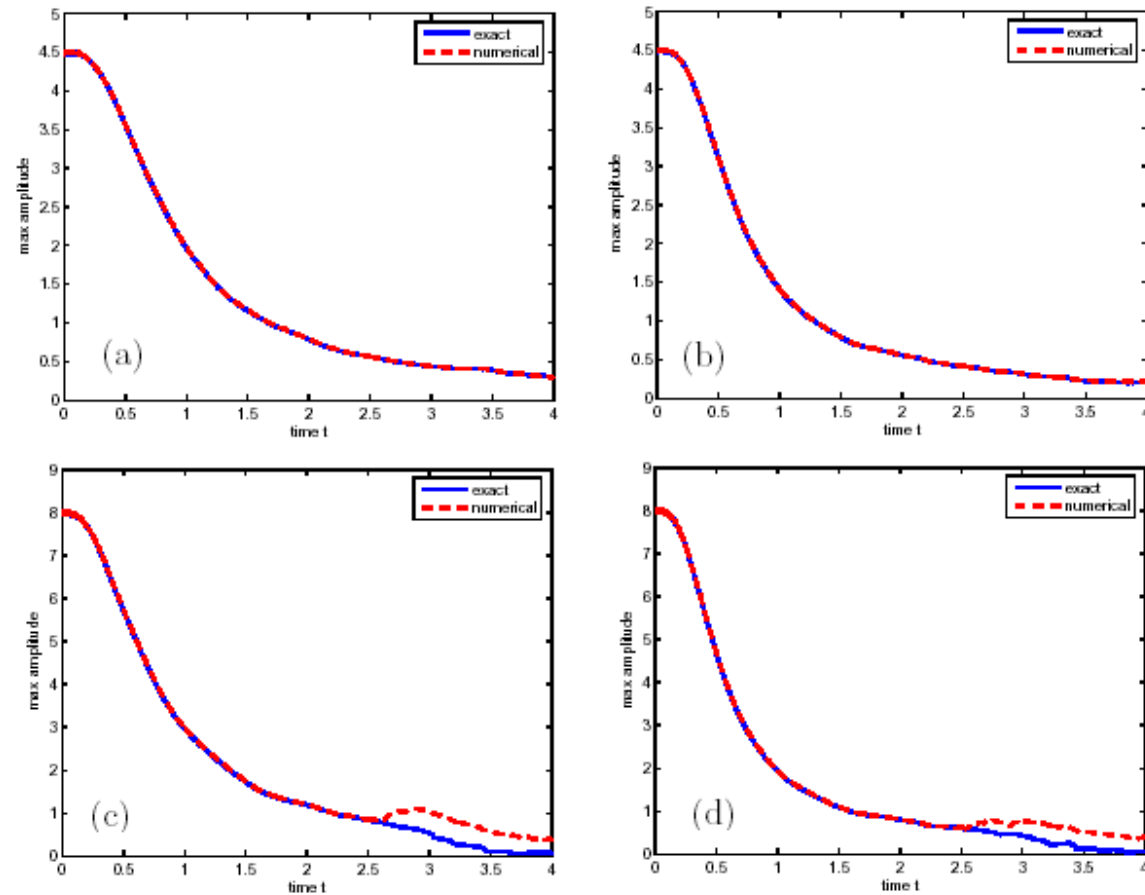


Figure 1: Plot of $\langle u(x, t) \rangle_{max}$ vs. t for both the exact and numerical solutions with $x \in [-10, 40]$ and $N = 500$: (a): $\eta = 1.5$, $\epsilon = 0.05$, (b): $\eta = 1.5$, $\epsilon = 0.1$, (c): $\eta = 2$, $\epsilon = 0.05$, (d): $\eta = 2$, $\epsilon = 0.1$.

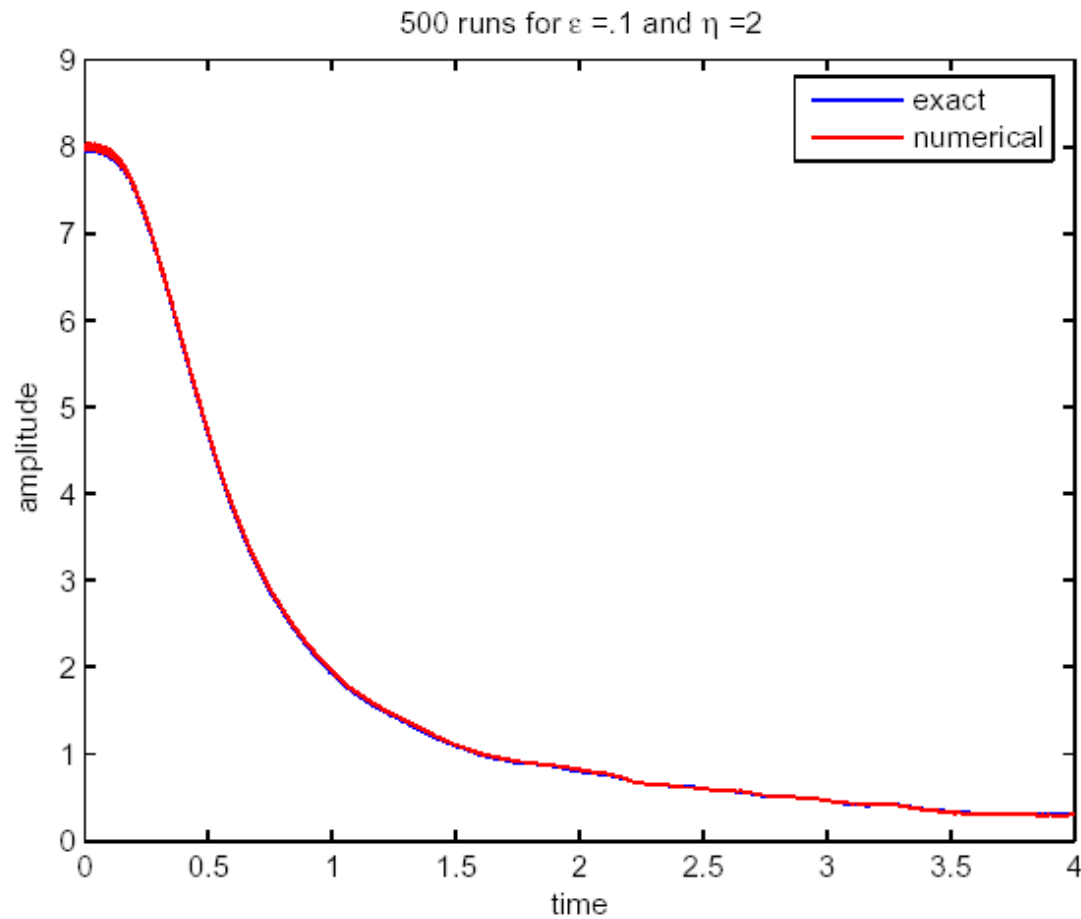


Figure 2: Amplitude vs. time plot for 500 runs for $x \in [-10, 90]$ with $N = 1000$, $\epsilon = .1$, and $\eta = 2$.

Damped, Stochastic KdV Amplitudes - Varying N

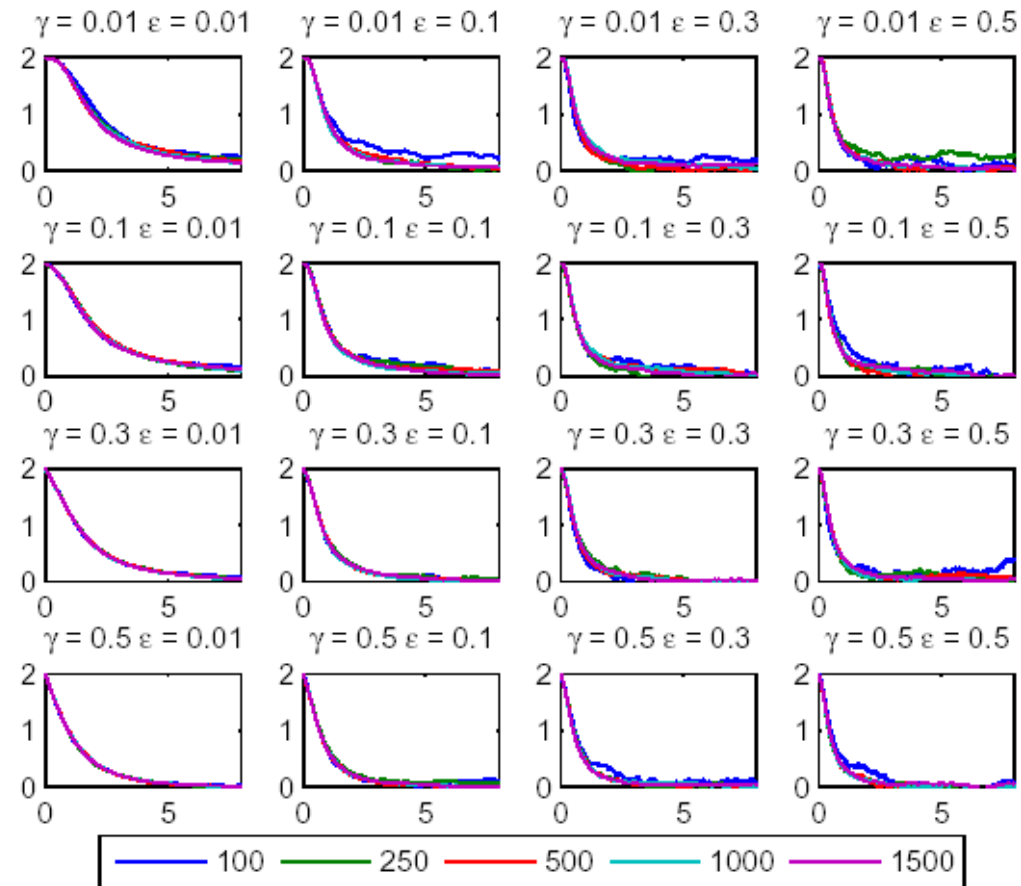


Figure 3: Amplitude vs time plots for varying ϵ and γ with $N = 100, 200, 500, 1000, 1500$.

Comparisons of Amplitude Decay Due to Noise and Damping

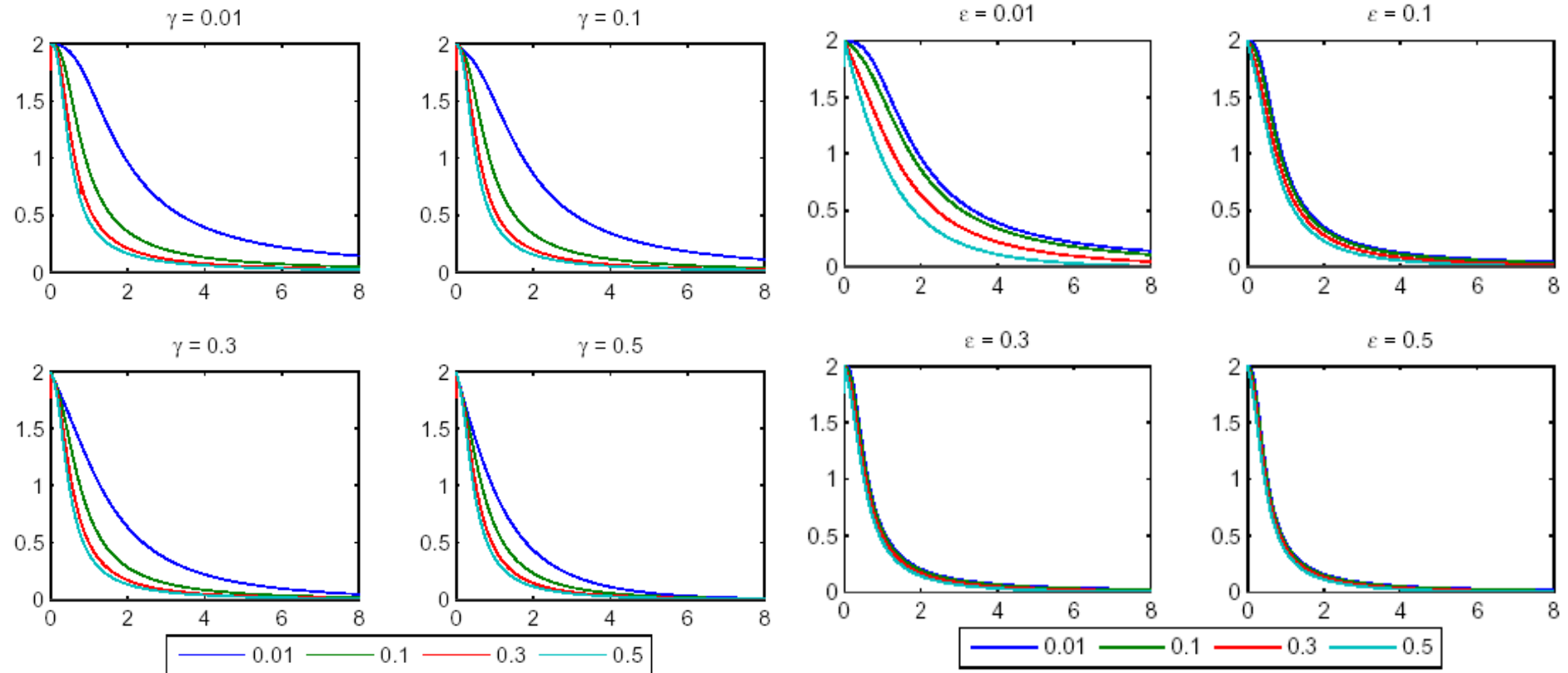
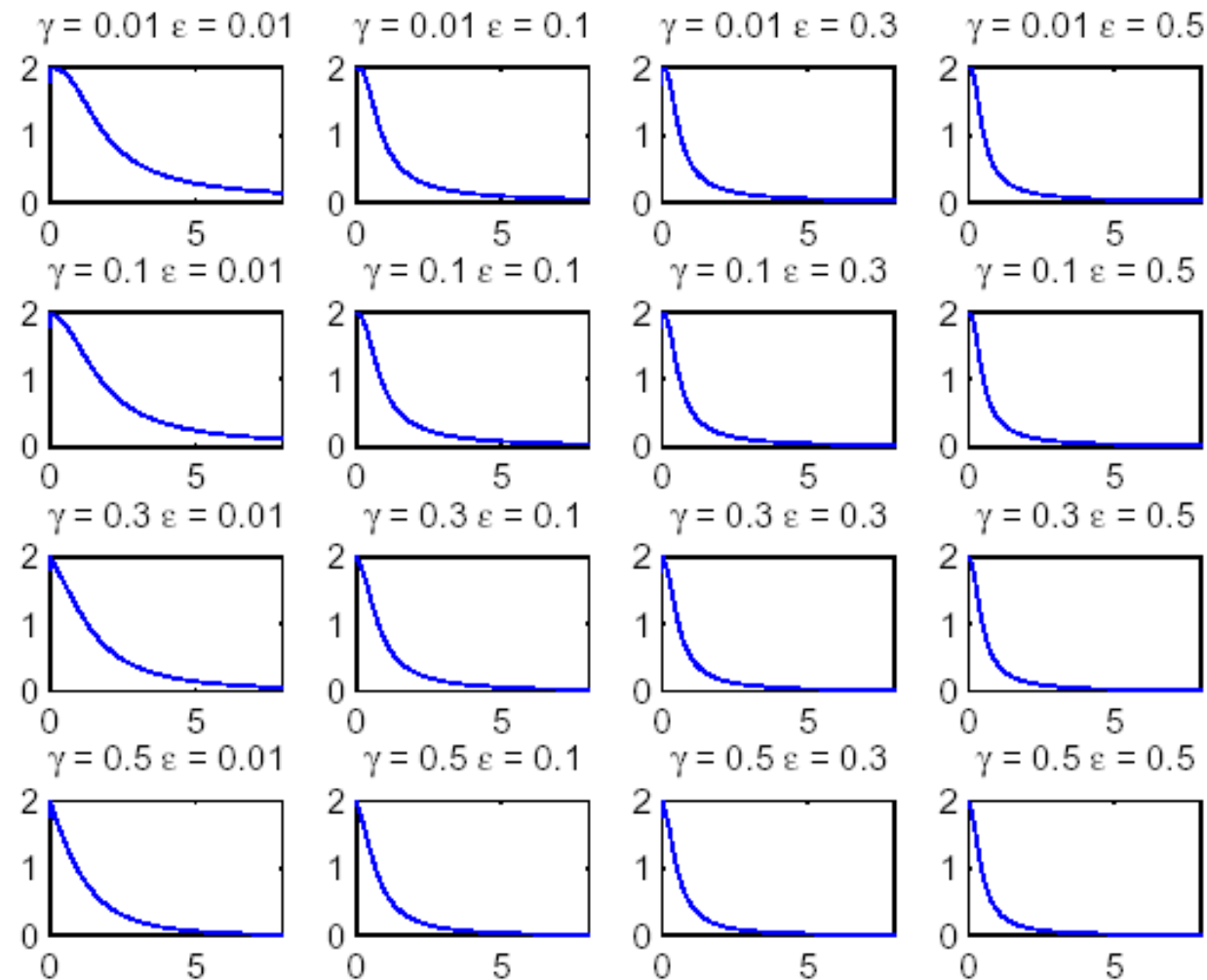


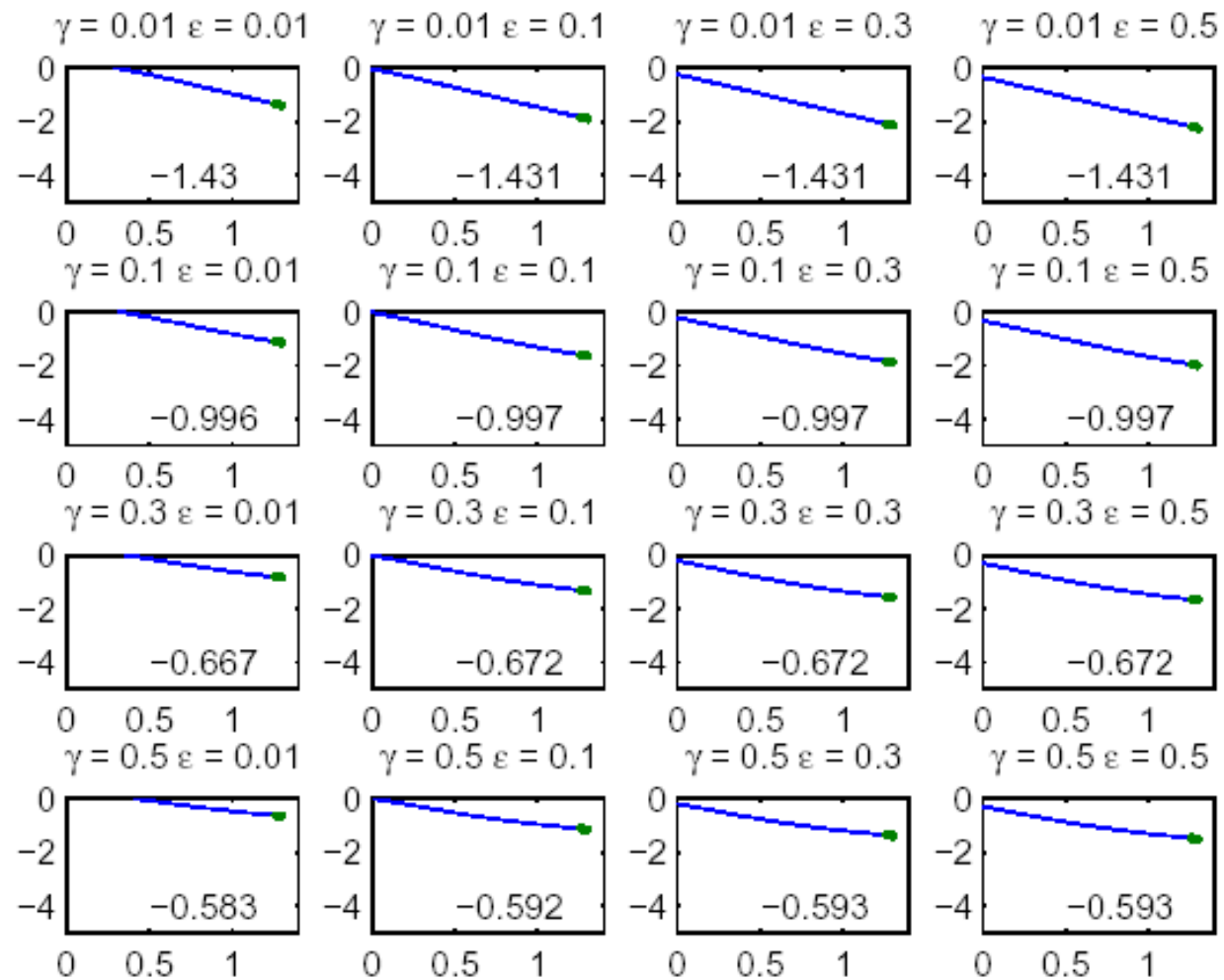
Figure 4: $\epsilon = 0.01, 0.1, 0.3, 0.5$

Figure 5: $\gamma = 0.01, 0.1, 0.3, 0.5$

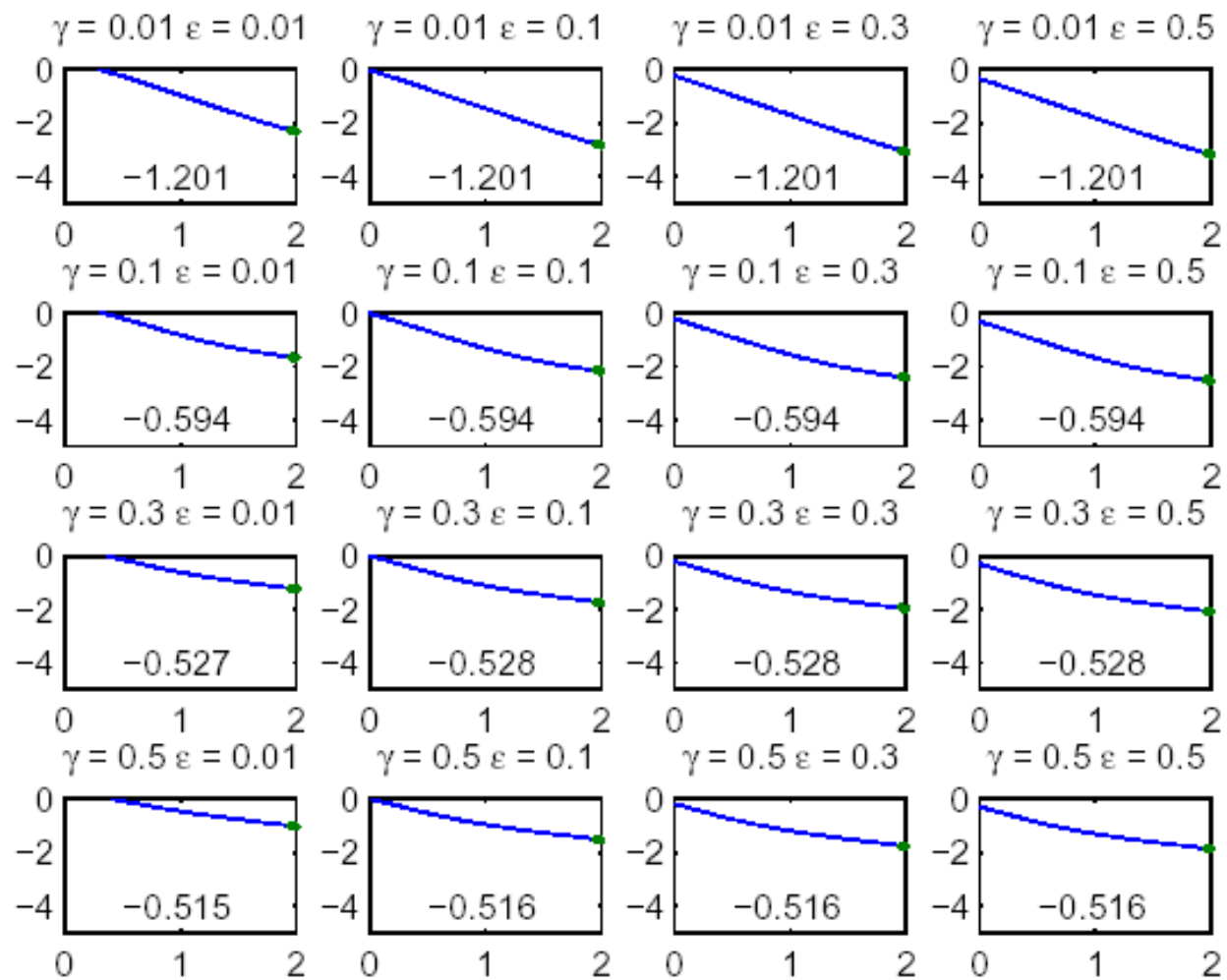
Amplitude Decay for Several Parameters - Integrated



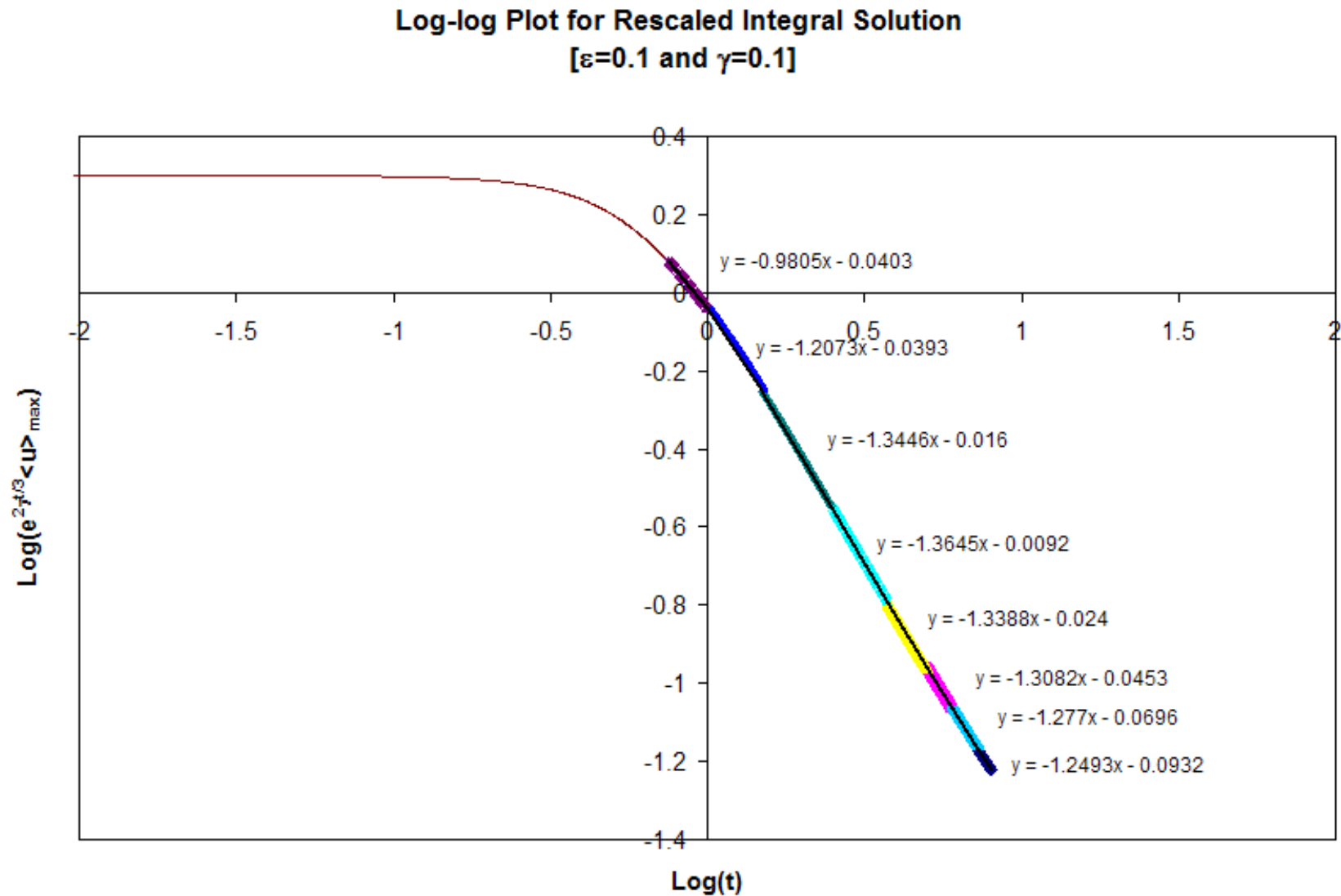
Decay Constants for $t \in [0, 10]$



Decay Constants for $t \in [0, 100]$

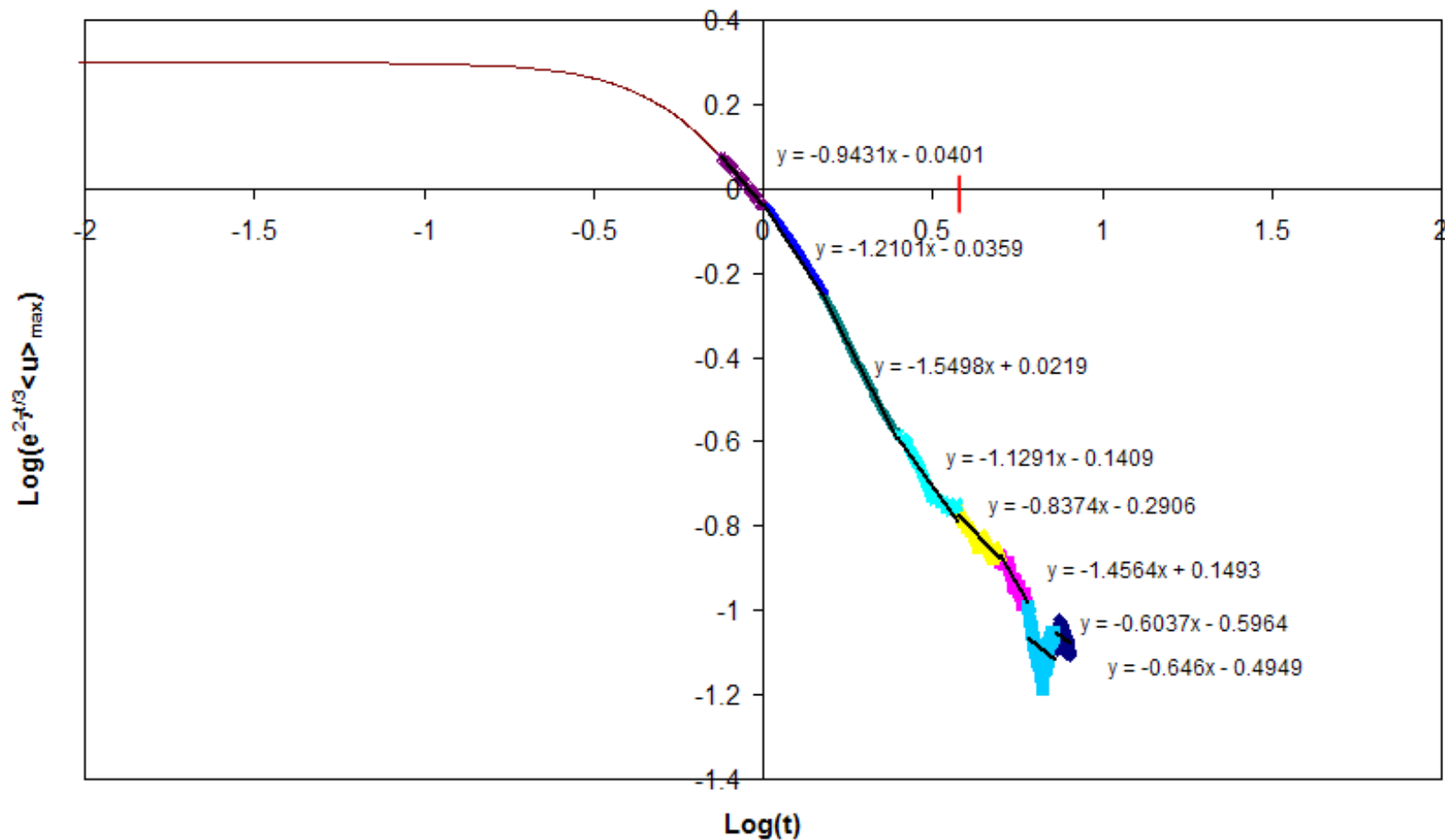


Decay Constants for Integral Computation



Decay Constants for Finite Difference Results

Log-log Plot for Rescaled Numerical Solution
 $[\varepsilon=0.1 \text{ and } \gamma=0.1, 2000 \text{ Runs}]$



The Two Soliton Solution of the KdV Equation

When two solitons collide, they interact elastically. The exact solution for the two soliton equation is given by

$$u(x, t) = \frac{2(p^2 - q^2)(p^2 + q^2 \operatorname{sech}^2 \chi(x, t) \sinh^2 \theta(x, t))}{(p \cosh \theta(x, t) - q \tanh \chi(x, t) \sinh \theta(x, t))^2} \quad (32)$$

where the phases are

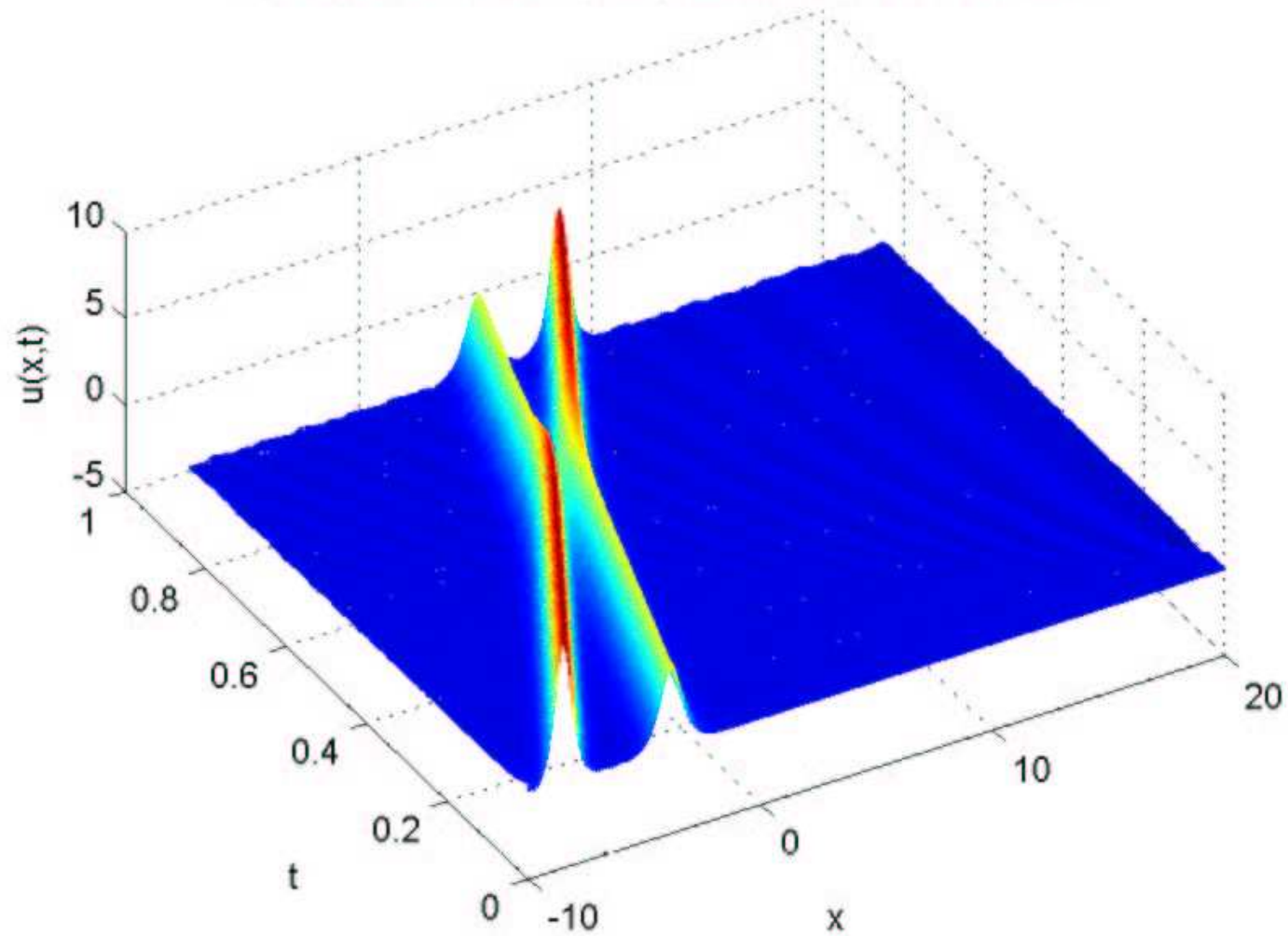
$$\theta(x, t) = px - 4p^3(t - t_0) \quad (33)$$

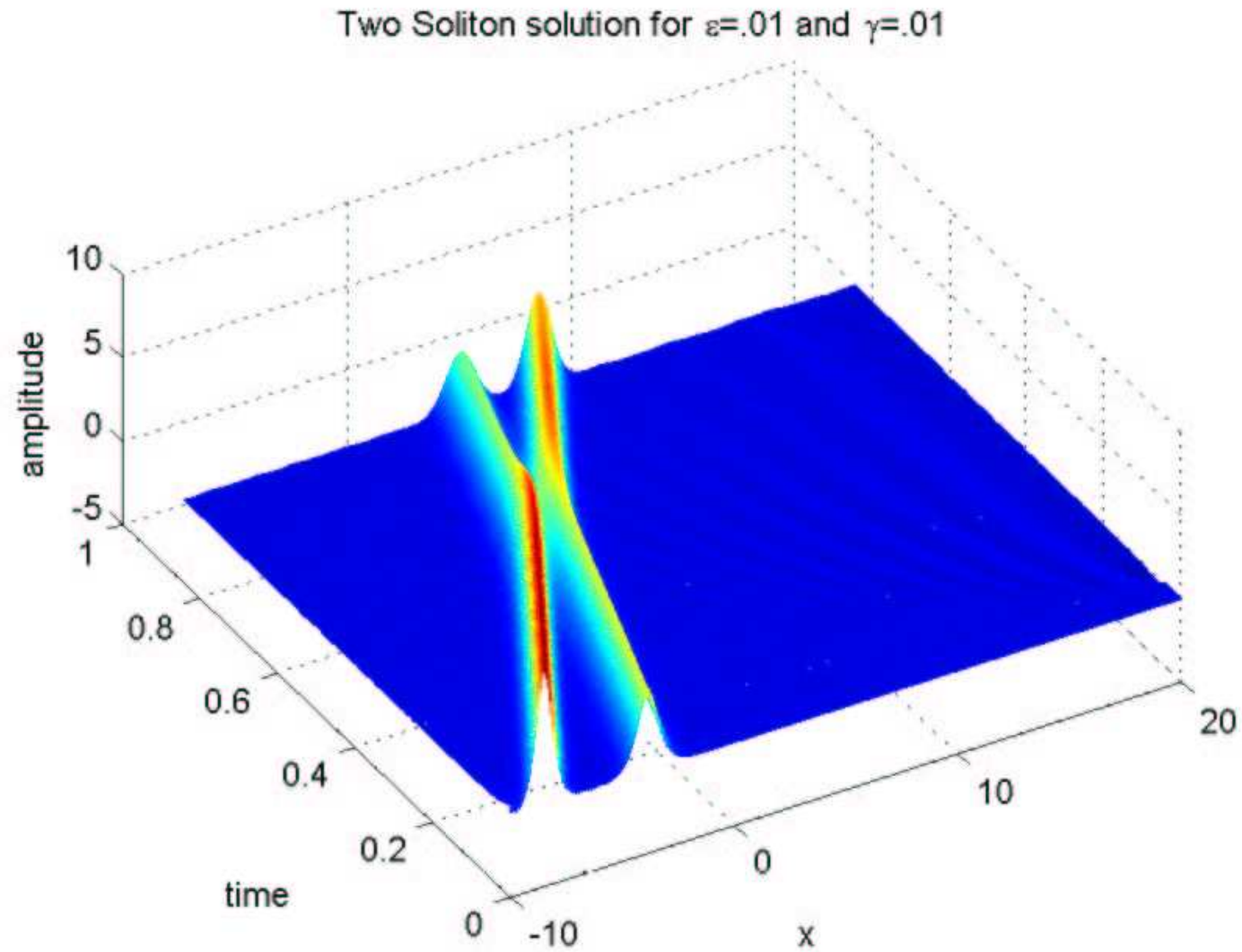
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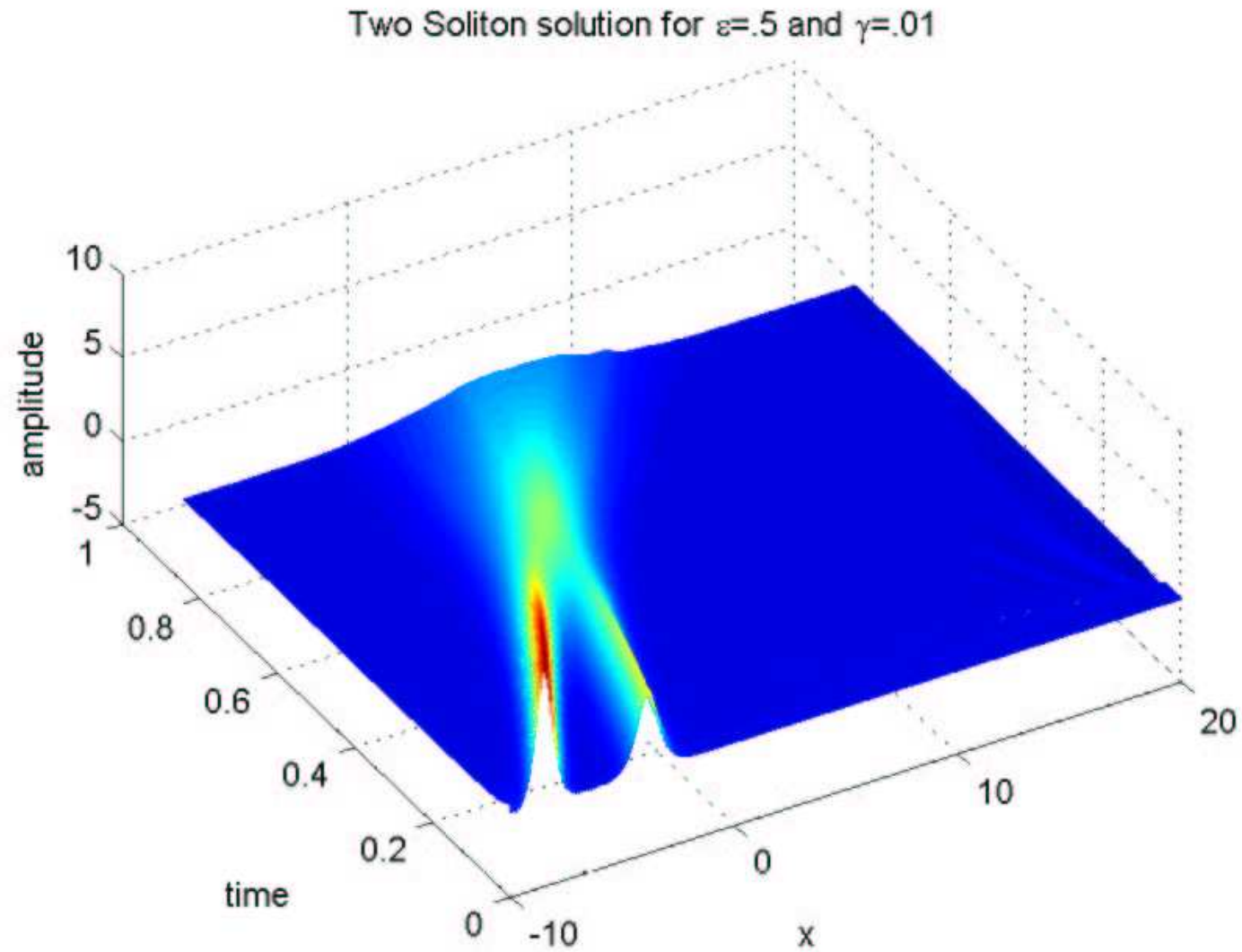
$$\chi(x, t) = qx - 4q^3(t - t_0). \quad (34)$$

In our simulations we take $p = 2$, $q = 1.5$ and $t_0 = 0.5$.

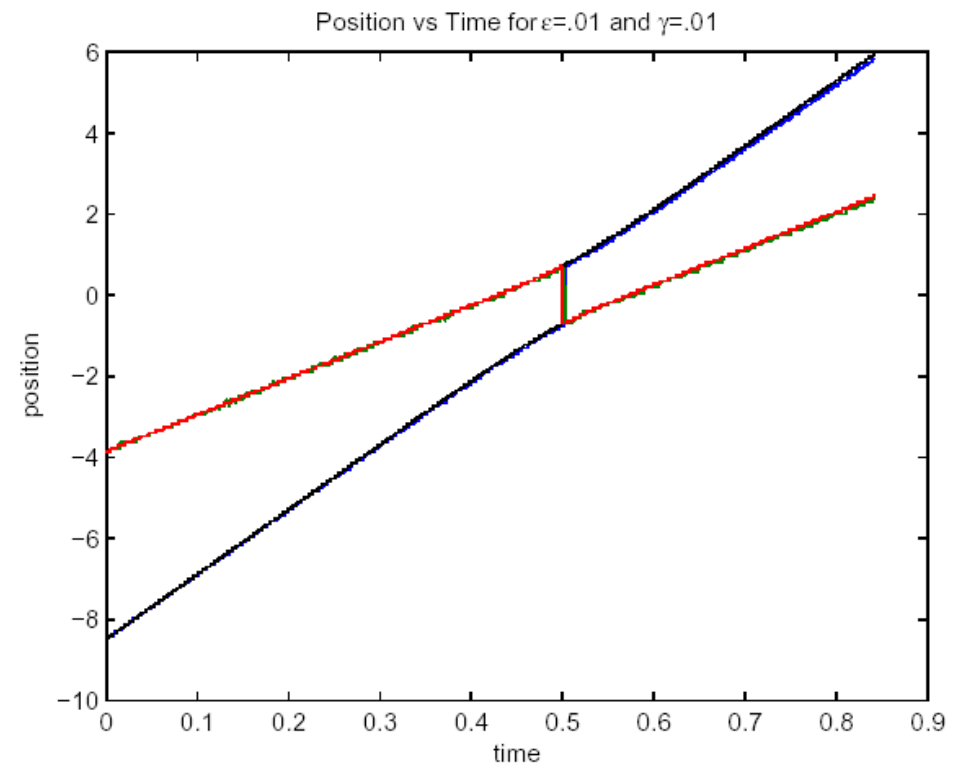
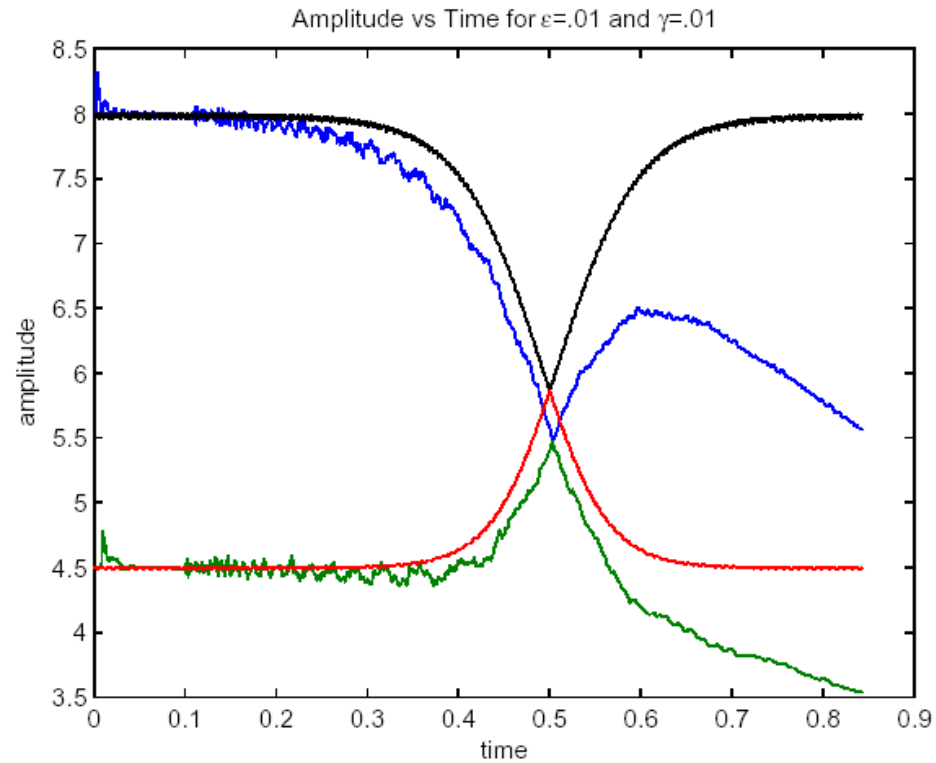
Two Soliton Solution of KdV (Zabusky-Kruskal Scheme)



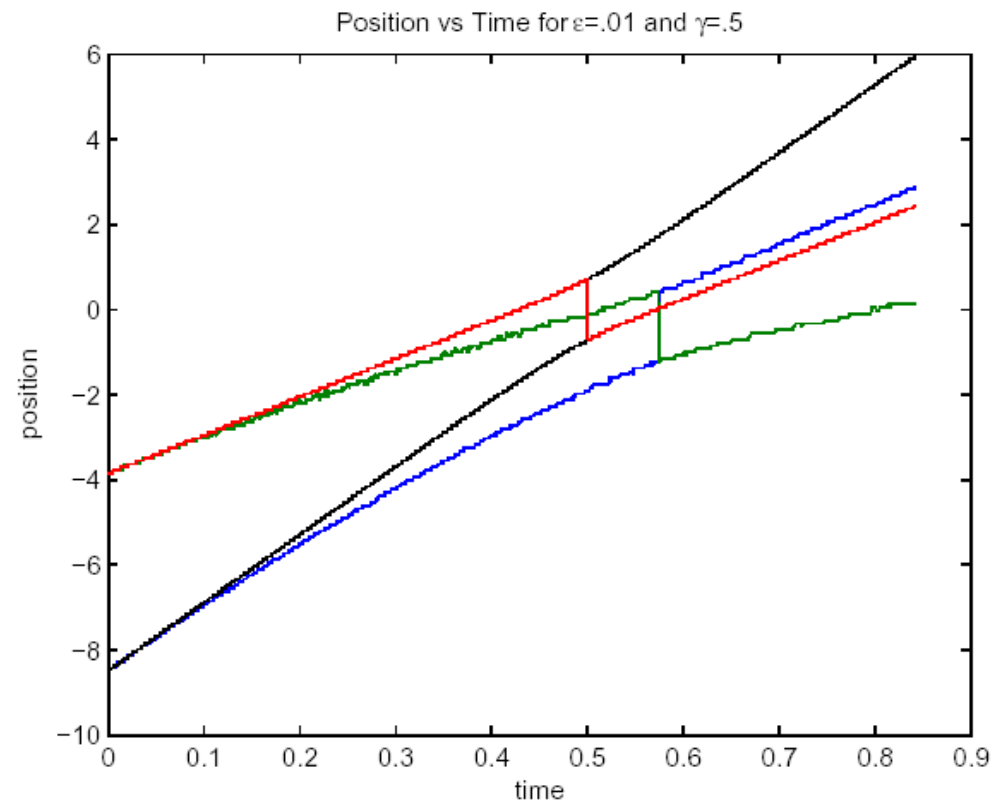
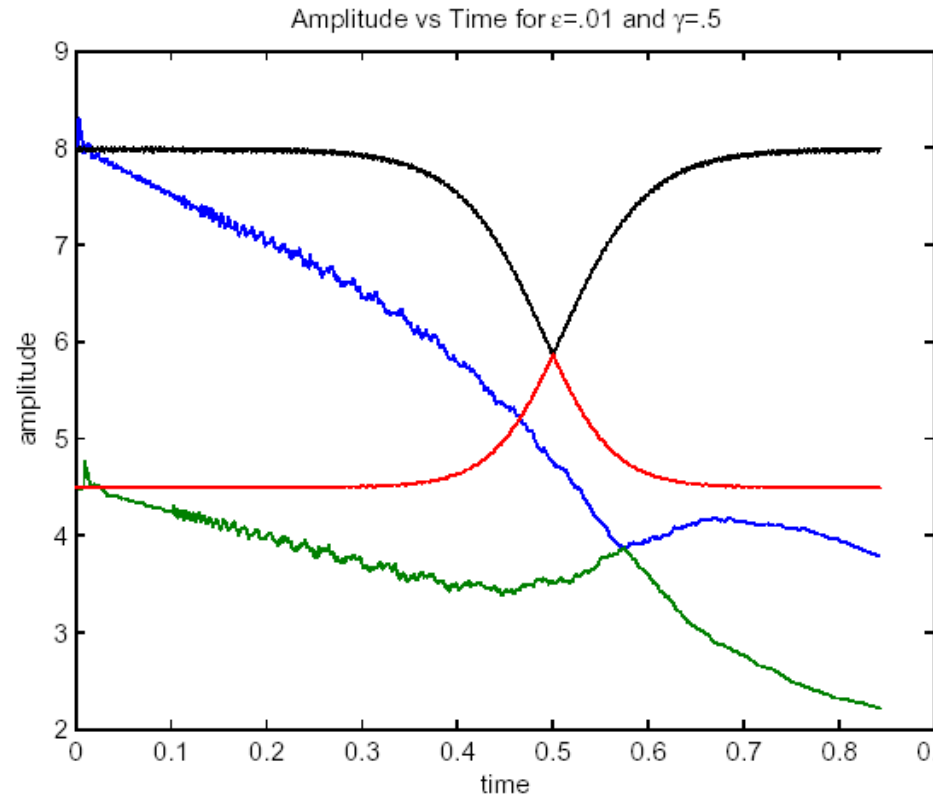




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