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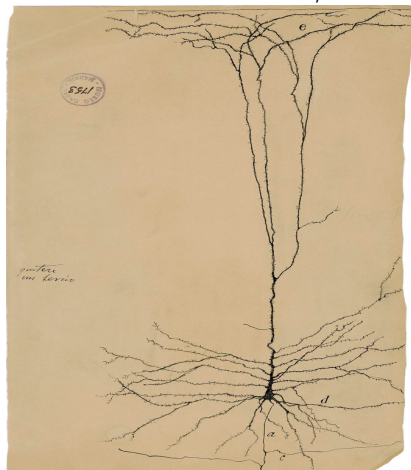
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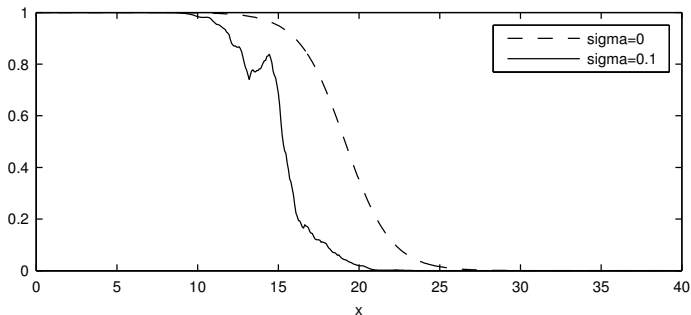
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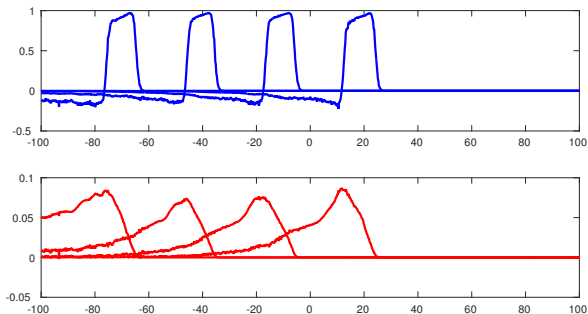
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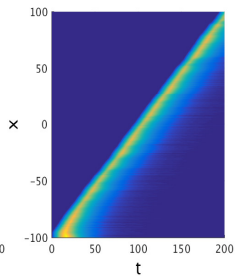
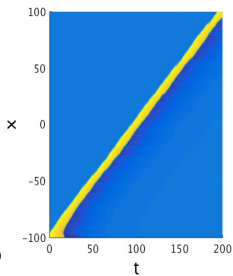
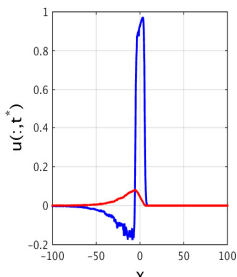
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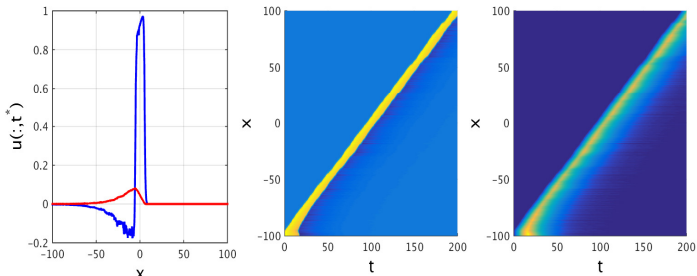
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- ▶ Numerical Scheme for Simulation of Stratonovich System...

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Developed in one-dimension - similar for  $u \in \mathbb{R}^d$  - or  $u(x, t) \in H$ .

► Ito SPDE case:

Parabolic : [L. & Rougemont, Jentzen et al, L. & Tambue, Larsson et al.]

Wave equation : [Cohen & Quer-Sardanyons]

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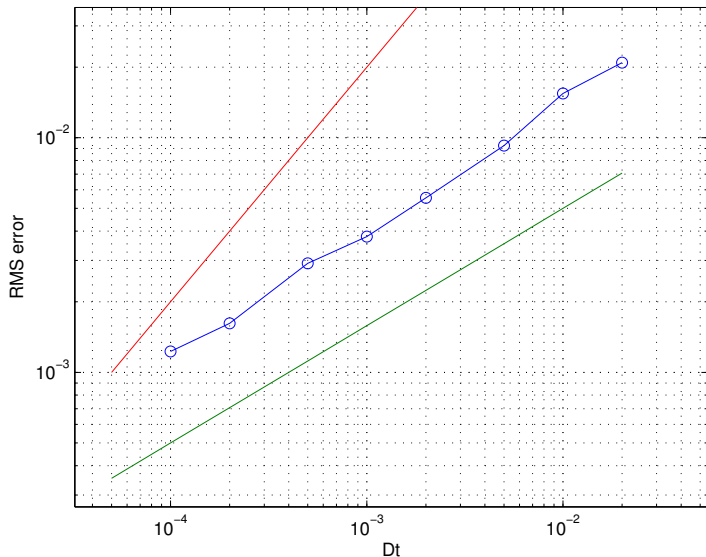
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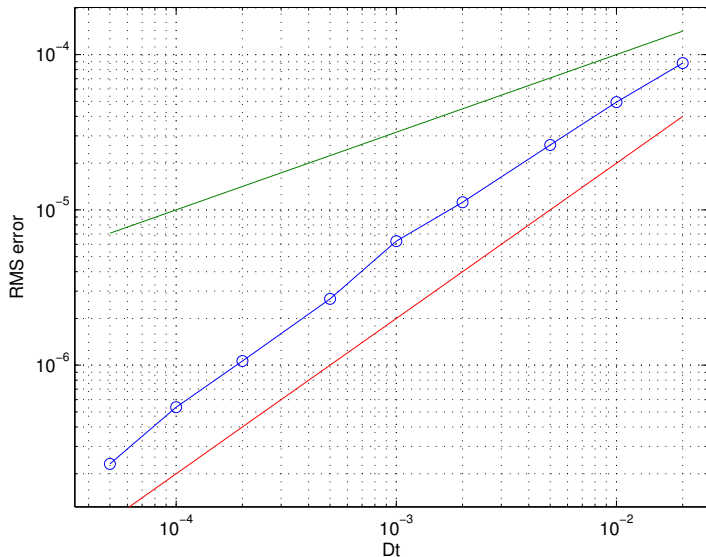
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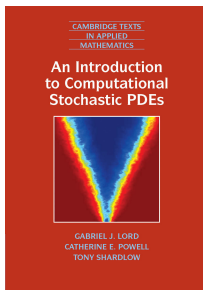
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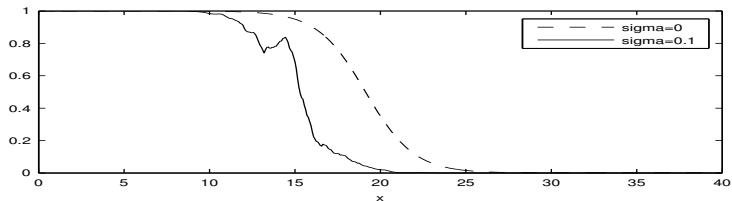
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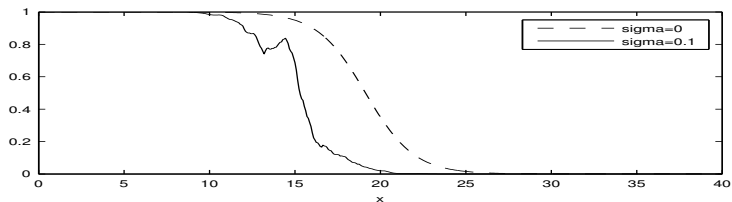
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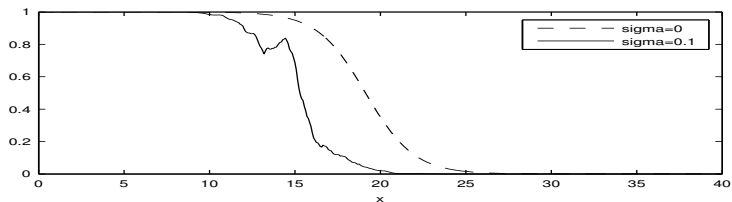
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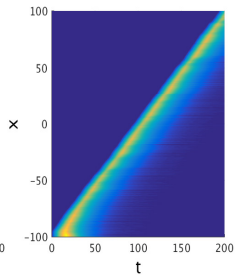
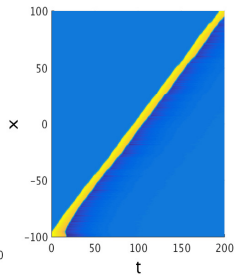
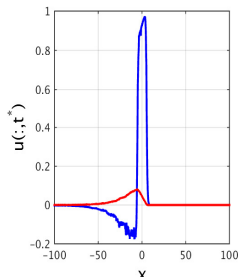
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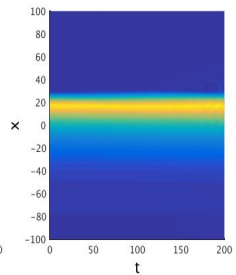
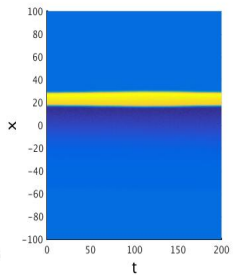
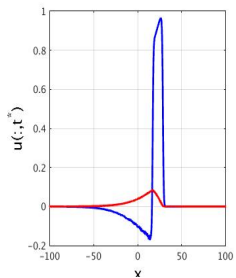
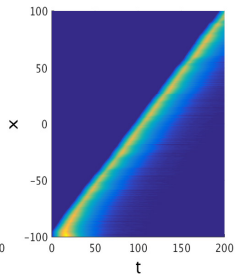
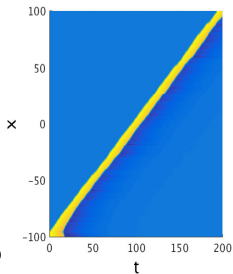
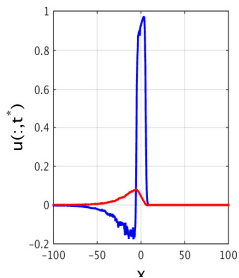
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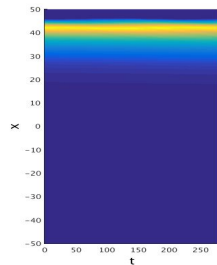
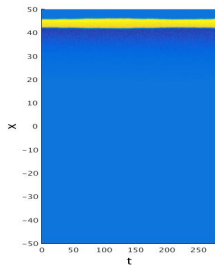
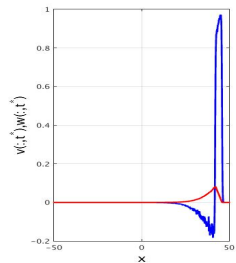
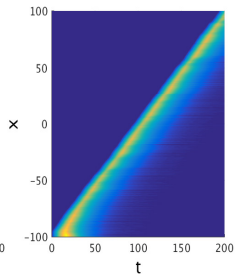
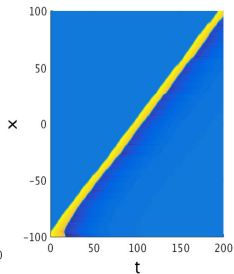
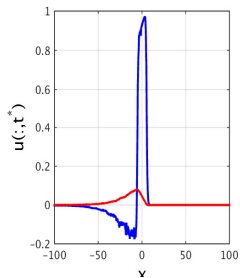
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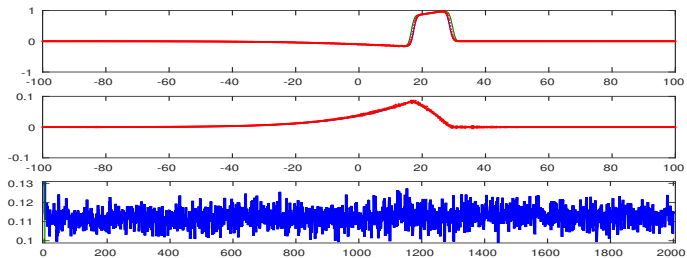
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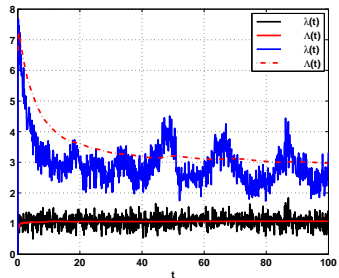
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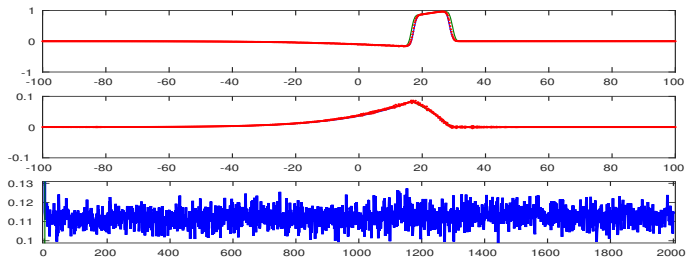
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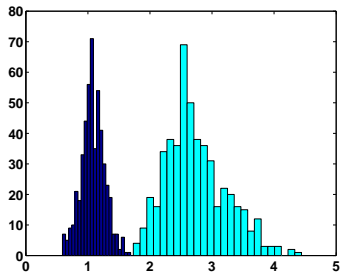
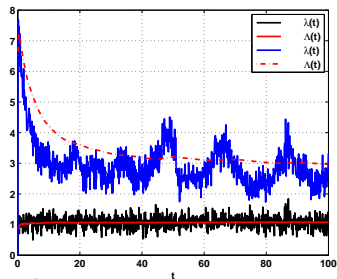
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Distributions instantaneous wave speeds  $\lambda$



## Expected values

Compare :

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- ▶ SPDE : Level set  $\Lambda_c$

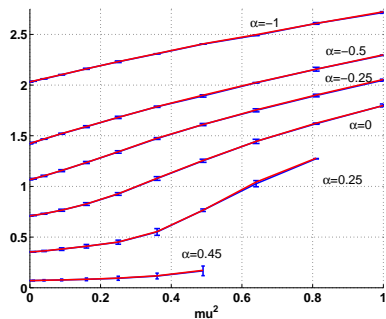
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Based on 100 realizations

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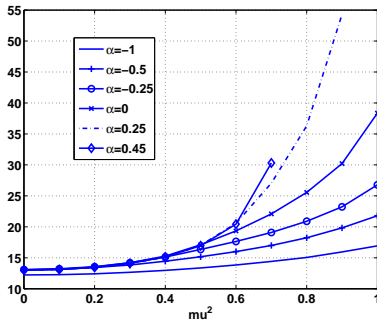
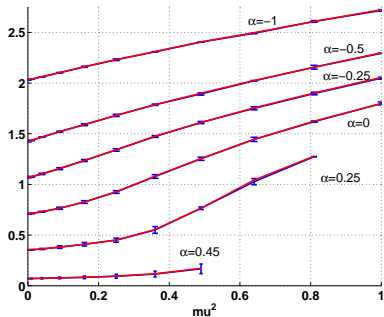
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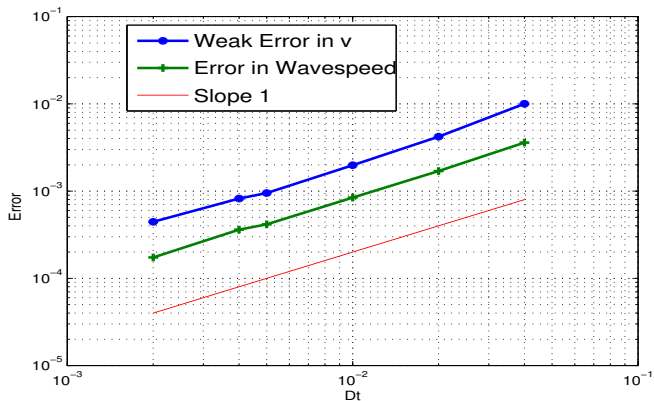
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Some advantages of freezing method

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Thank You

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