

# **A Generalised Hydrodynamics approach to the Boussinesq equation: a prototypical example of 2D stationary soliton gas.**

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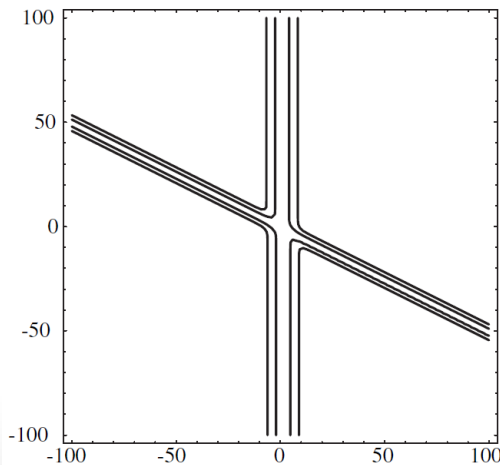
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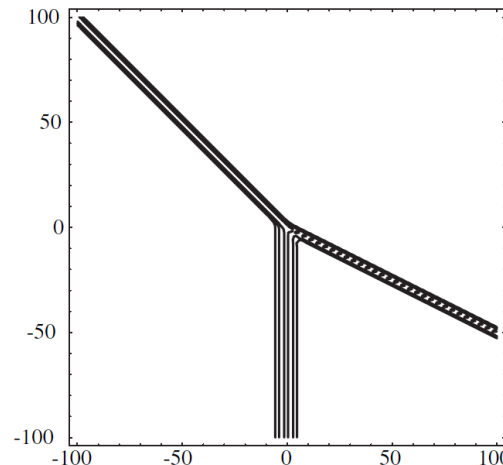
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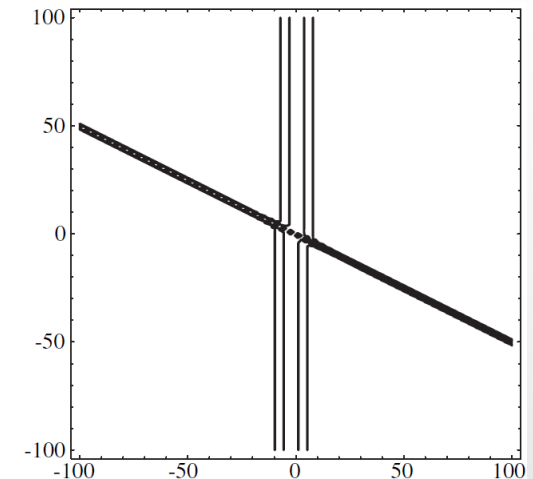
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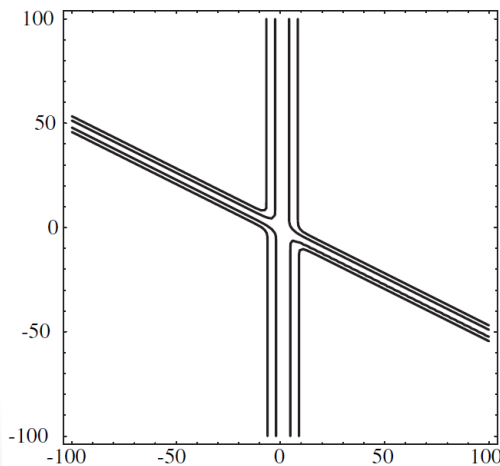
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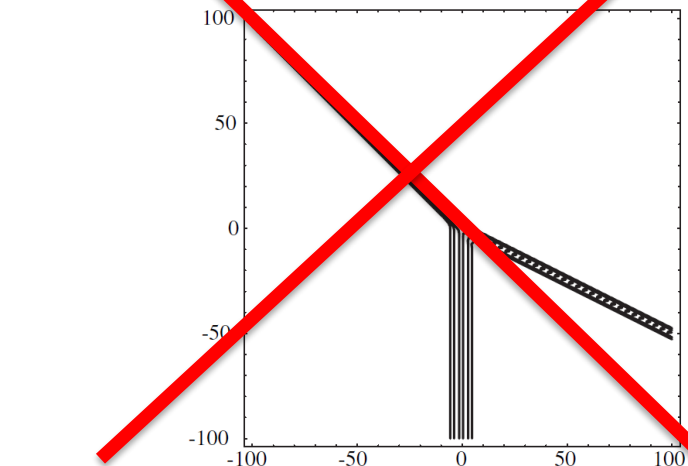
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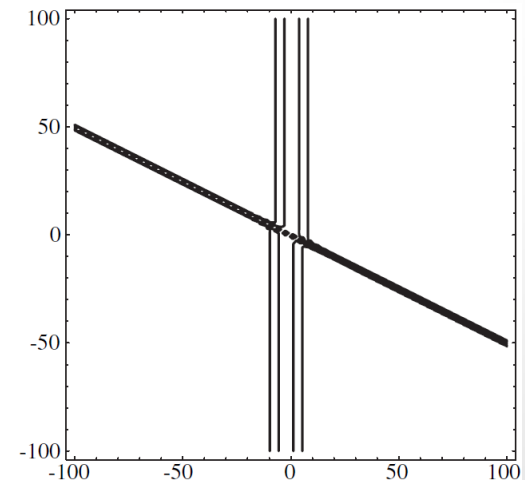
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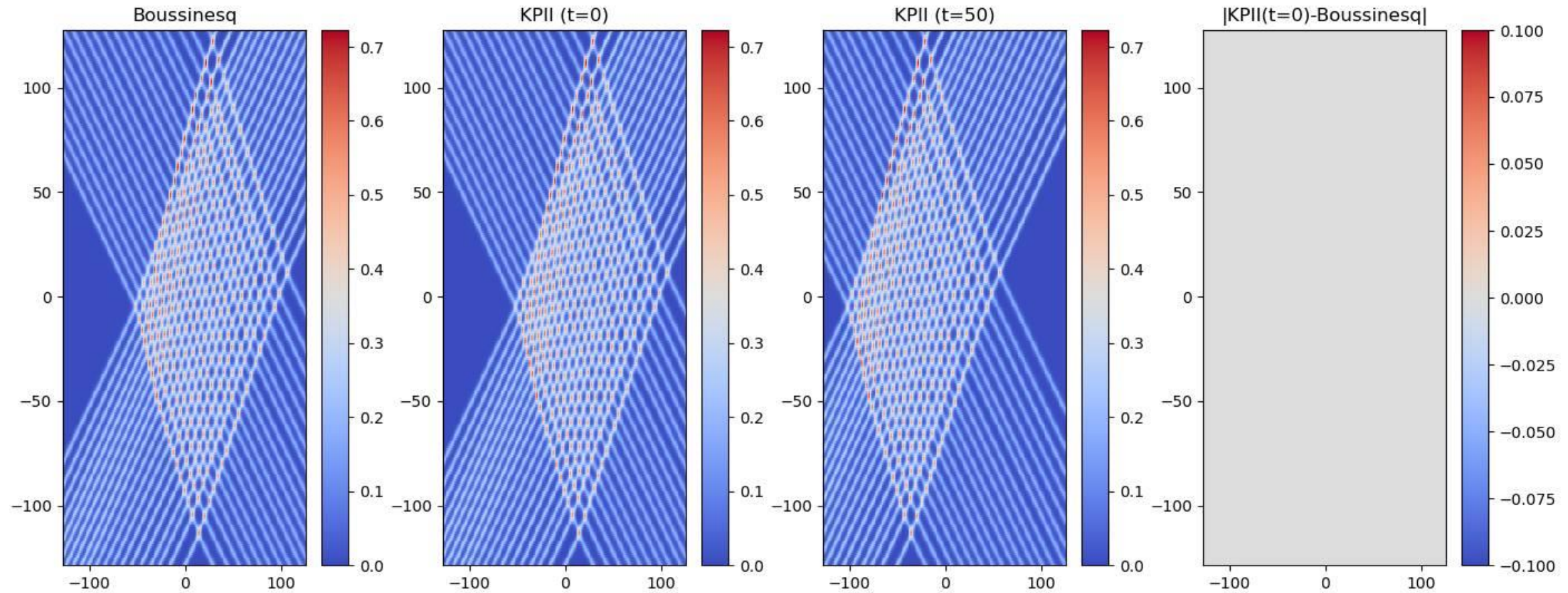
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[Courtesy of Giacomo Roberti]



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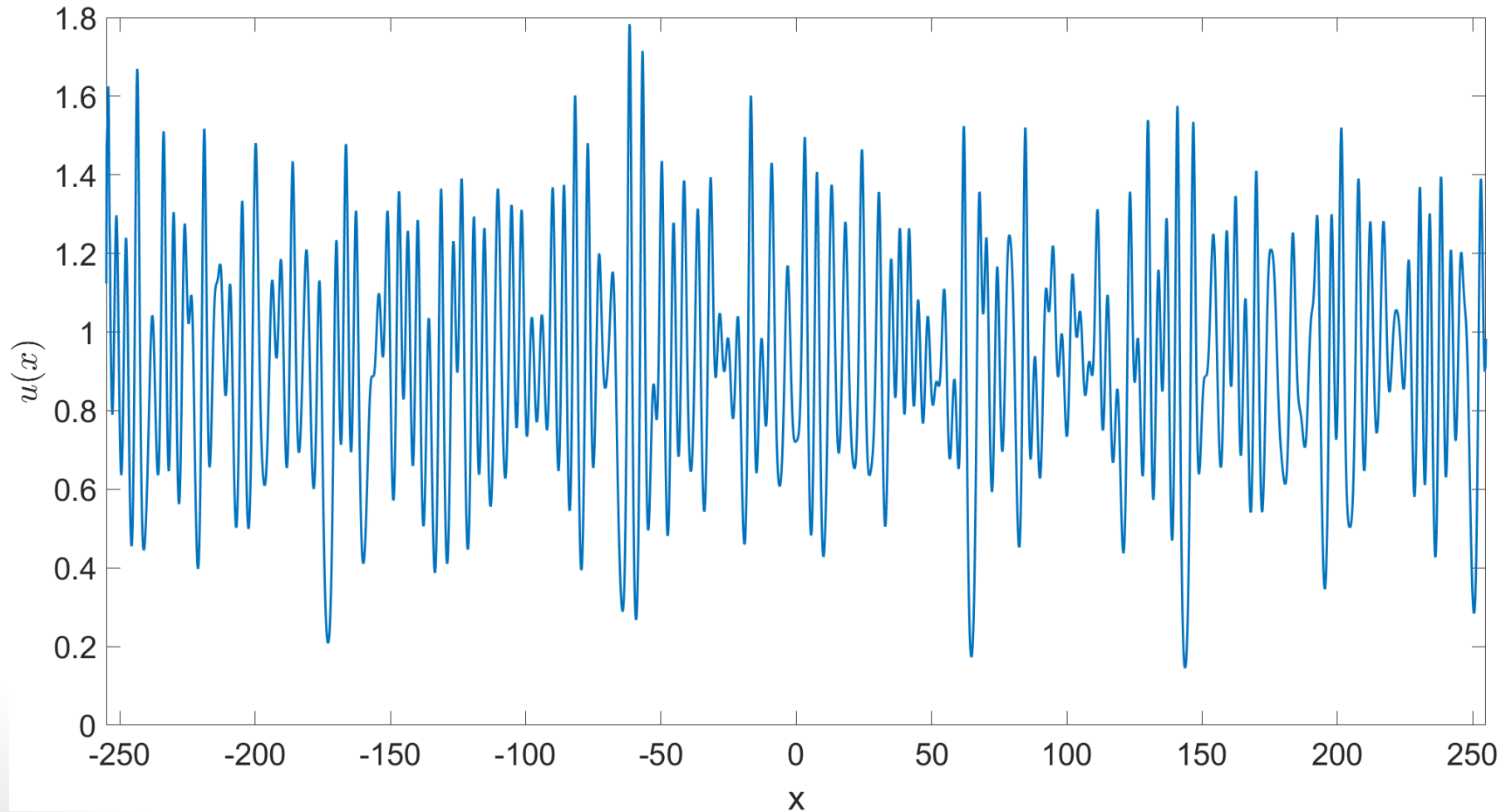
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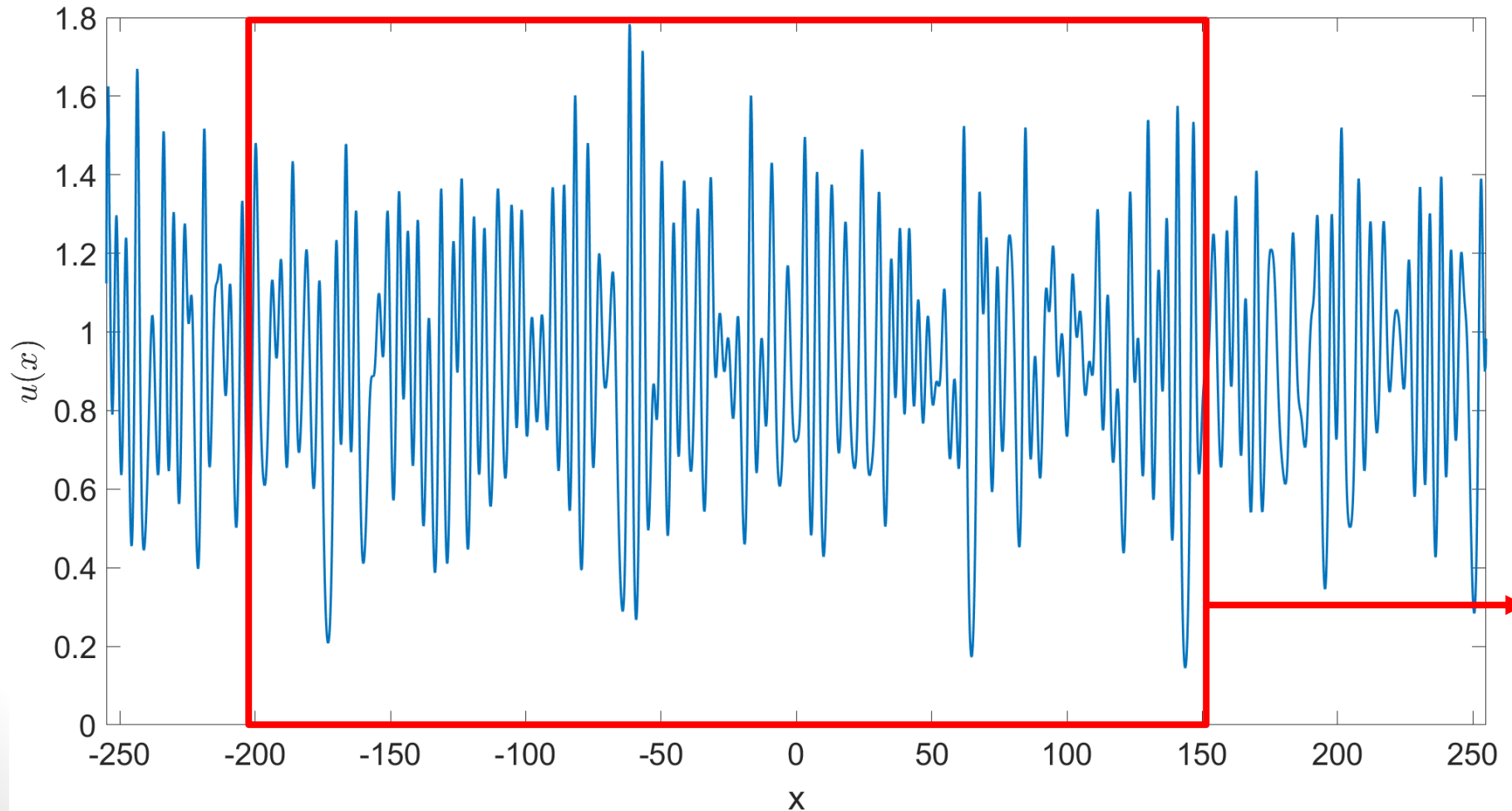
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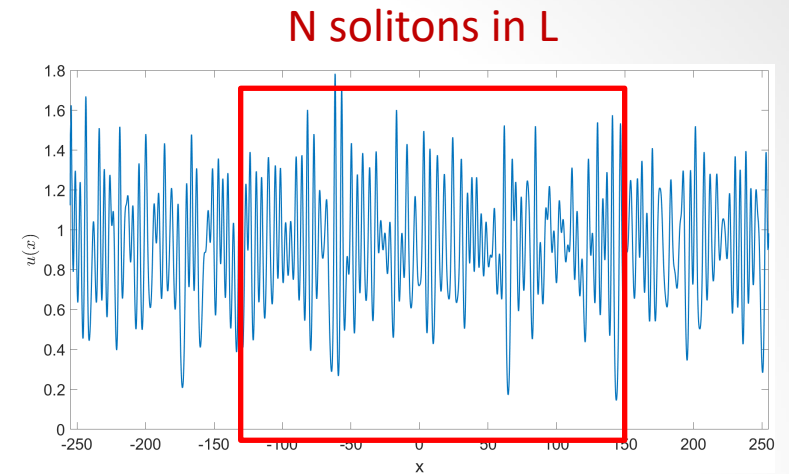
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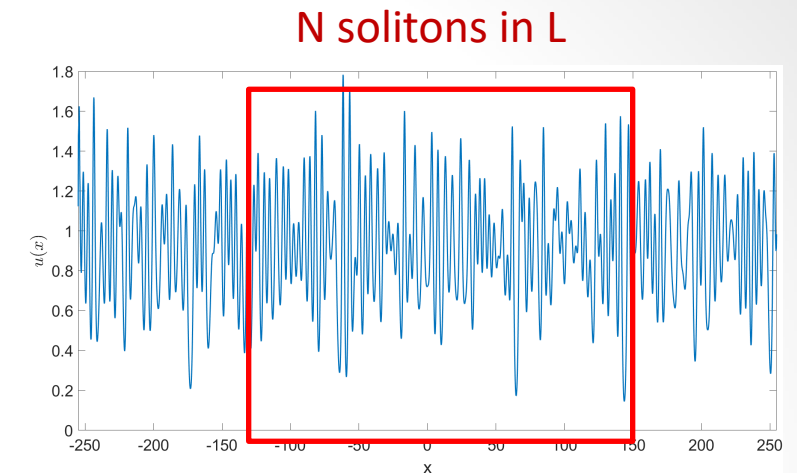
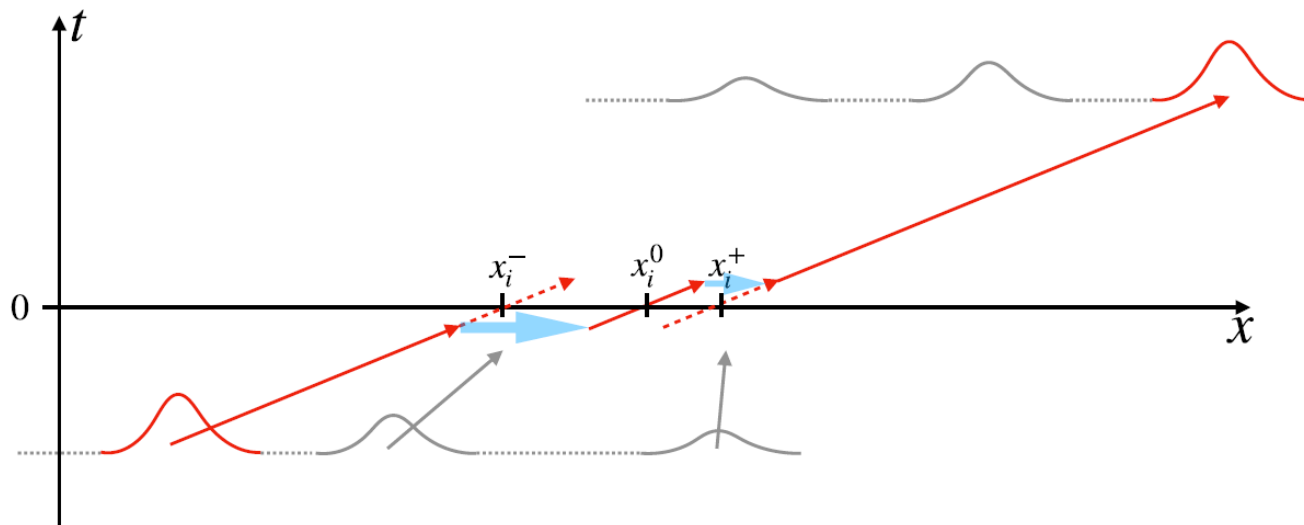
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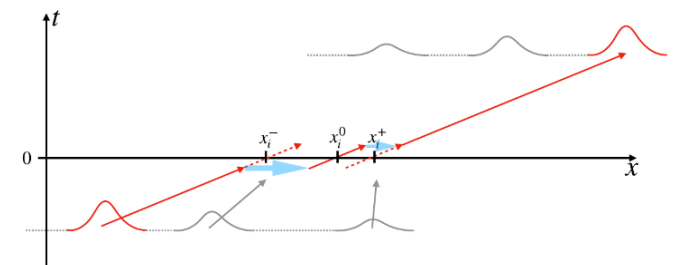
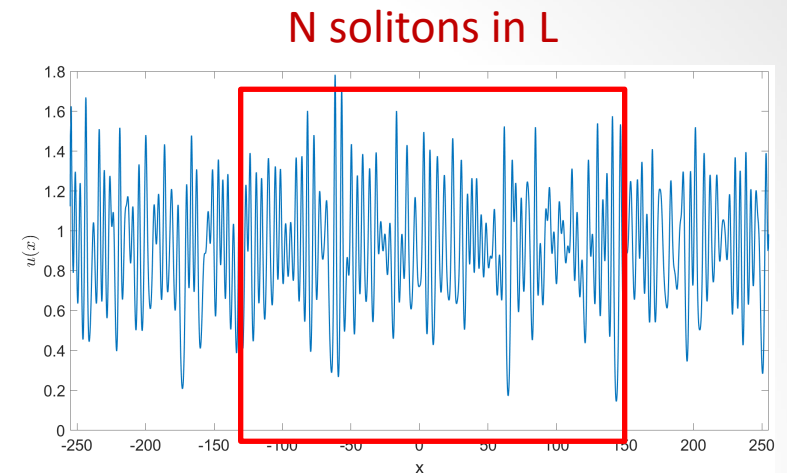
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- Limit  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $M \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $L \rightarrow \infty$ , keeping  $M/N = \gamma$ ,  $N/L = \varkappa$  constant

$$\underline{\mathcal{K}^r(\eta)} = 1 + \frac{1}{\eta} \left[ \int_{\Gamma_1} d\mu \underline{\rho^l(\mu)} \varphi^-(\eta, \mu) + \int_{\Gamma_r} d\mu \underline{\rho^r(\mu)} \varphi^+(\eta, \mu) \right].$$

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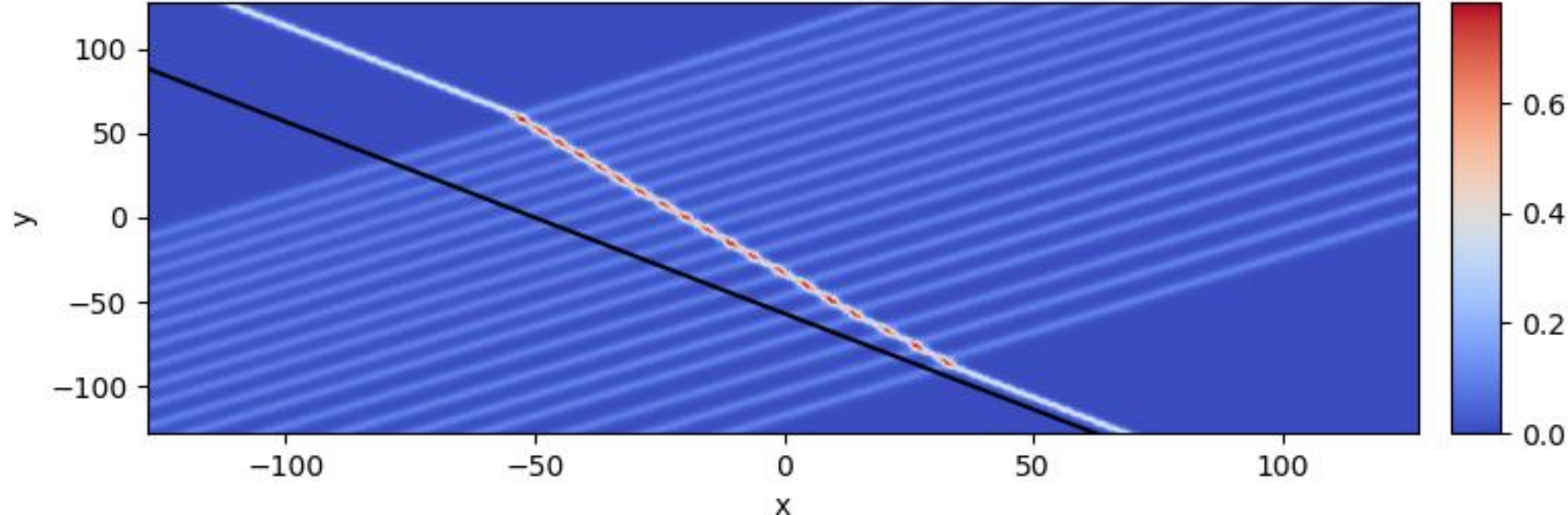
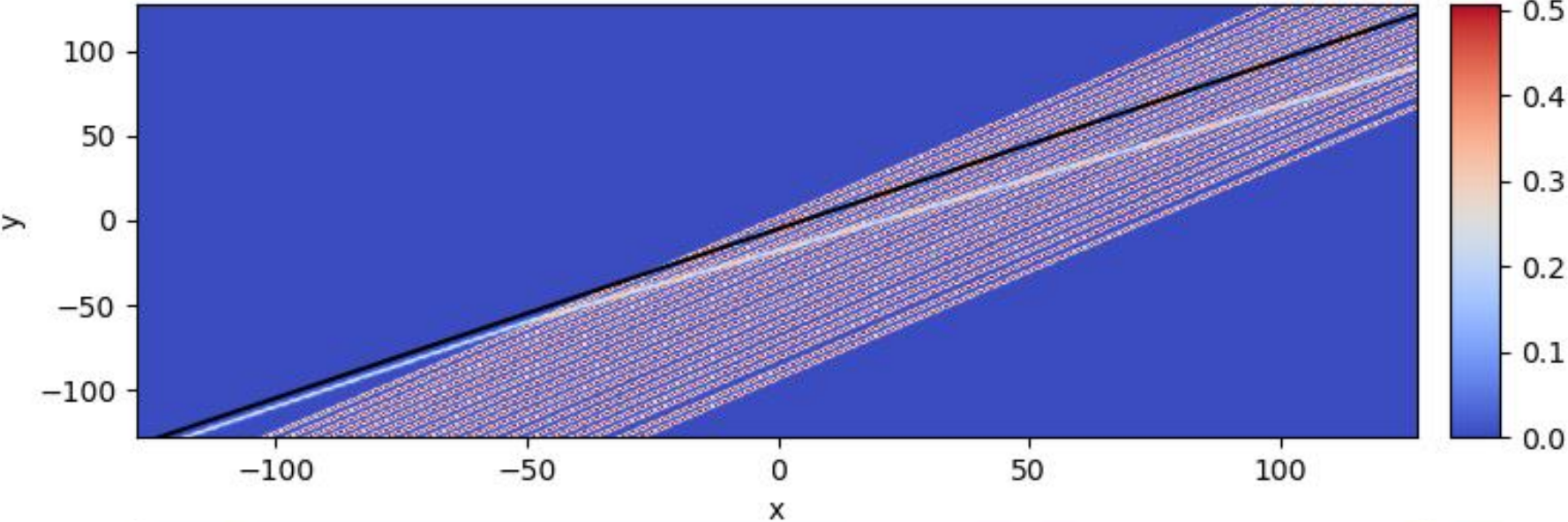
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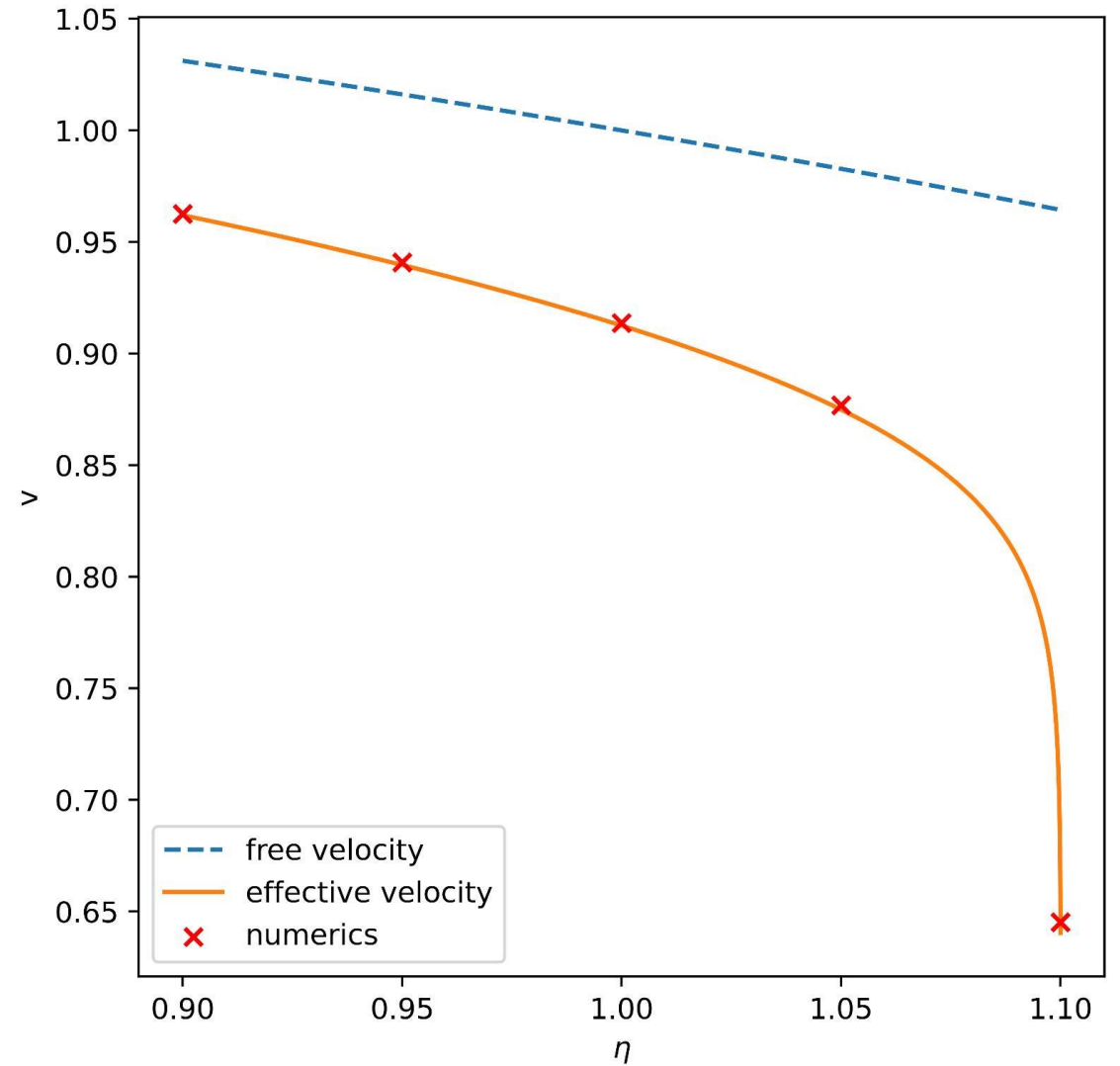
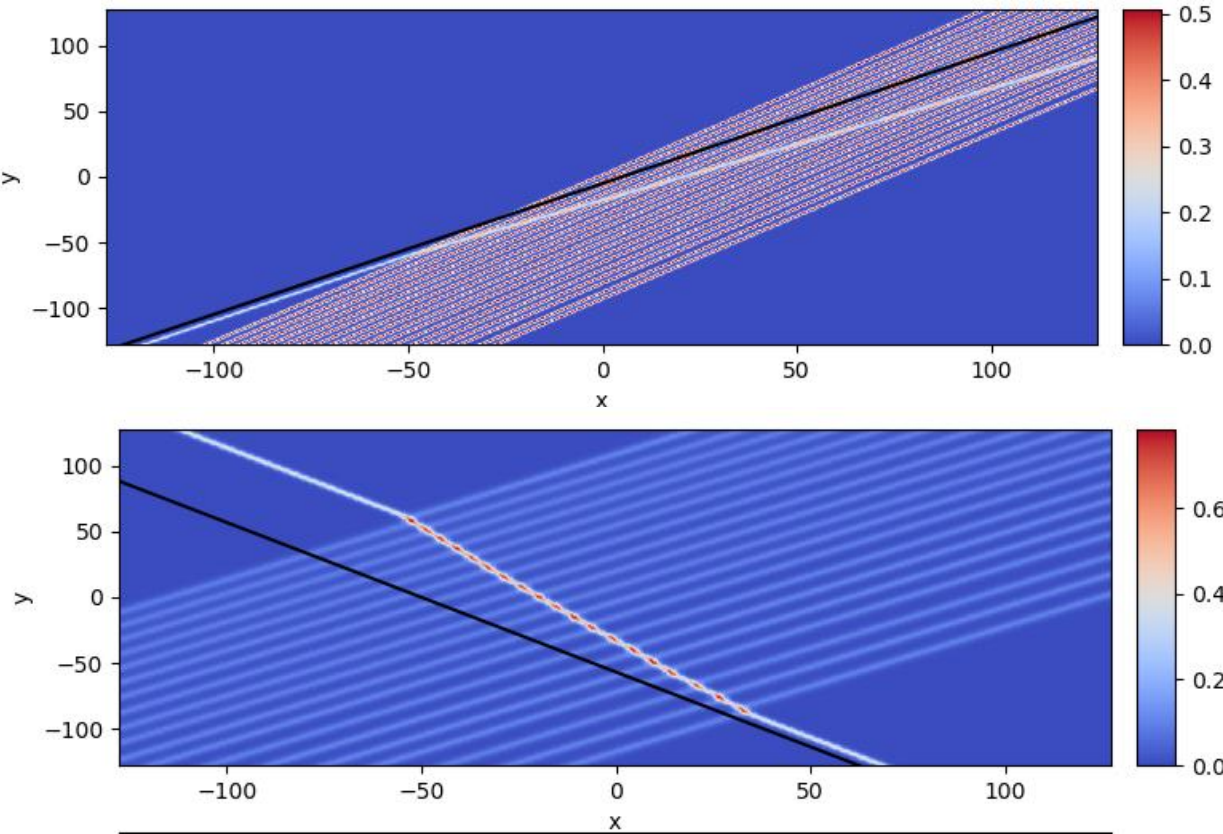
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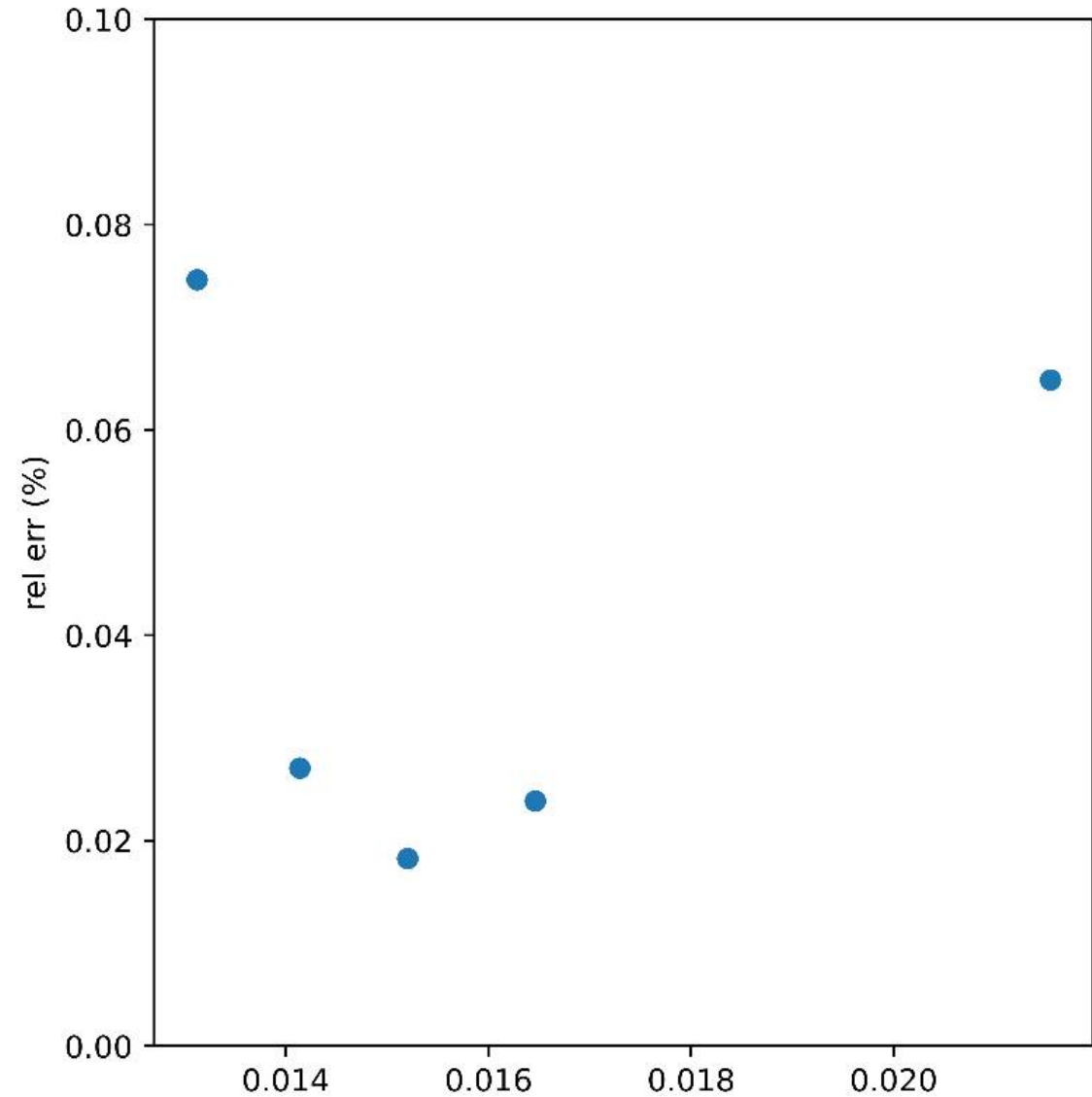
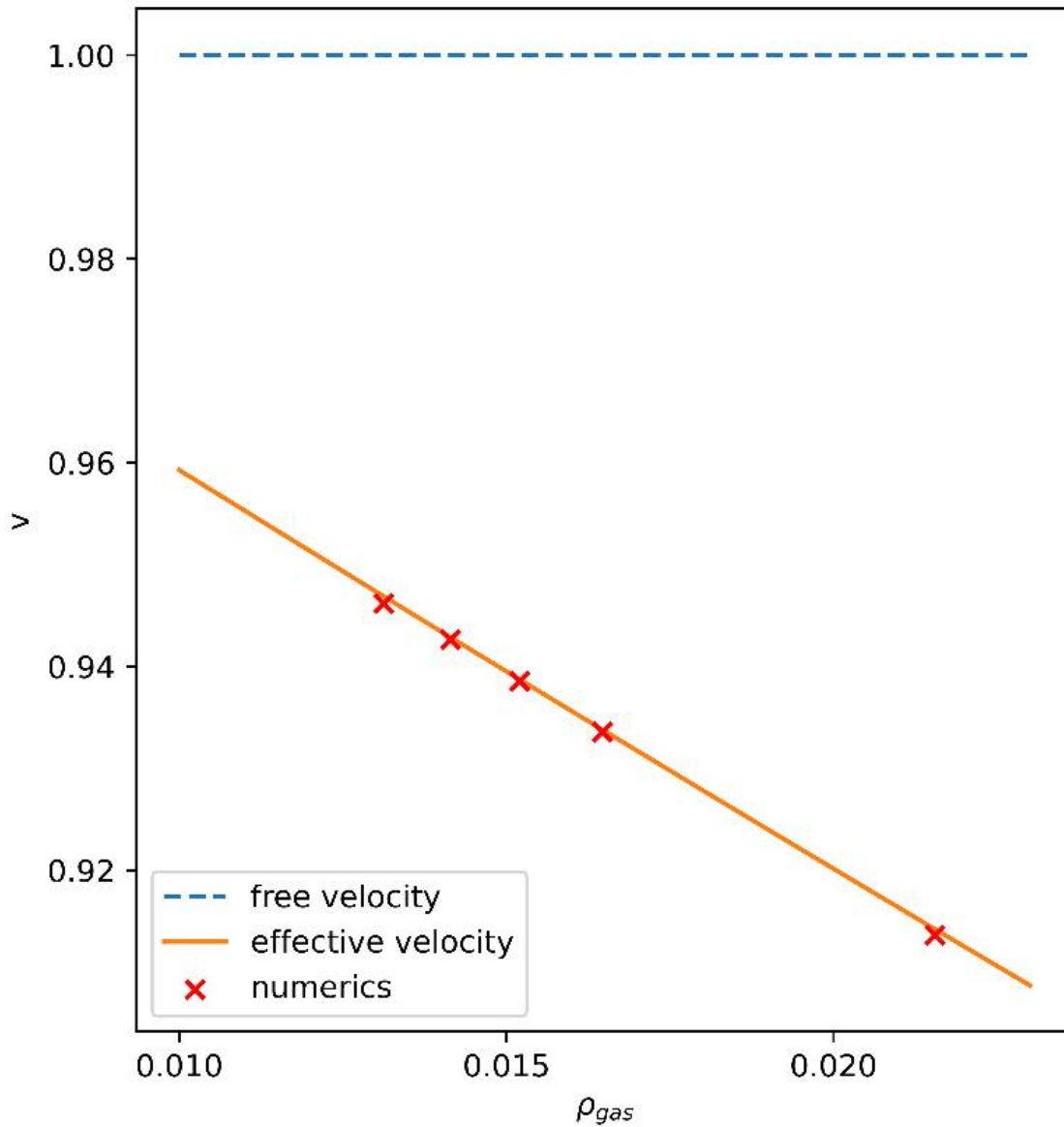
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