

Mean-square Stability Analysis of an Extended Euler-Maruyama Method for a System of Stochastic Differential Equations

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Introduction

- Consider the system of stochastic differential equations

$$\begin{aligned} X(s) &= x + \int_0^s b(X(r)) dr + \sum_{k=1}^M \int_0^s \sigma_k(X(r)) v_k dW_k(r), \\ X(0) &= x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \end{aligned} \tag{1.1}$$

- where $b : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$, $\sigma_k : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $v_k \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $W_k(t)$ are independent, one dimensional Brownian motions.
- Assume b and σ_k are such that a weak solution to (1.1) exists and is unique in probability law.
- We would like to construct an accurate approximations to solutions of (1.1) on fixed time intervals.

Introduction

- SDEs have wide range of applications:
 - Population dynamics, protein kinetics and genetics, psychology and neuronal activity,
 - Math finance, turbulent diffusion and radio-astronomy,
 - Seismology and structural mechanics and so on.
- As with most ordinary differential equations we can not generally solve SDEs explicitly.
- Two ways of approximating solution to SDE:
 - Strong approximation.
 - Weak approximation.

Introduction

- We may be interested to approximate $\mathbb{E}(g(X_T))$, $T > 0$. For instance $\mathbb{E}(e^{-rT}(X(T) - K)^+)$.
- Better approximation on the probability distribution of solutions is sufficient.

Definition

Weak convergence of order β

$$|\mathbb{E}f(X(T)) - \mathbb{E}f(Y(N))| \leq Kh^\beta, N = \frac{T}{h}.$$

The Numerical Method

- Literature review
[Anderson and Mattingly, 2011],[Bruti-Liberati and Platen, 2008],
[Gaines and Lyons, 1997],[Kloeden and Platen, 1992].
- We propose a numerical method to approximate the solution of (1.1) with order of convergence one.
- Let $\pi := \{t_0 = 0 < t_1 < \dots < t_N = T\}$ be a subdivision of $[0, T]$.
- Consider the same initial condition $X(0) = Y_0 = x_0$.
- $\left\{ \eta_{1k}^{(i)}, \eta_{2k}^{(i)} : i \in \mathbb{N}, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, M\} \right\}$ is a collection of mutually independent normal random variables with mean zero and variance 1.
- Define $[a]^+ = \max\{a, 0\} = a \vee 0$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

The Numerical Method

- Fix $\theta \in (0, 1)$ and define,

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{1}{2\theta(1-\theta)} \text{ and } \alpha_2 = \alpha_1 - 1 = \frac{1 - 2\theta + 2\theta^2}{2\theta(1-\theta)}.$$

- Discretization step $h > 0$.
- For $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$,

$$\text{Step 1 : } Y_1^* = Y_{i-1} + b(Y_{i-1})\theta h + \sum_{k=1}^M \sigma_k(Y_{i-1}) \nu_k \eta_{1k}^i \sqrt{\theta h},$$

$$\text{Step 2 : } Y_i = Y_1^* + b(Y_{i-1})(1-\theta)h + \sum_{k=1}^M \sqrt{[\alpha_1 \sigma_k^2(Y_1^*) - \alpha_2 \sigma_k^2(Y_{i-1})]^+} \nu_k \eta_{2k}^i \sqrt{(1-\theta)h}.$$

Motivation Behind The Algorithm

- Equation (1.1) is distributionally equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} X(t) = X(0) &+ \int_0^t b(X(s)) ds \\ &+ \sum_{k=1}^M v_k \int_0^\infty \int_0^t I_{[0, \sigma_k^2(X(s))]}(u) \xi_k(du \times ds). \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

- ξ_k are independent space-time white noise processes.
- Must approximate $\xi_k(A_{[0,h]}(\sigma_k^2))$ to approximate the diffusion term in (2.1) over the interval $[0, h)$.
- $A_{[0,h]}(\sigma_k^2)$ is the region under the curve $\sigma_k^2(X(t))$ for $0 \leq t \leq h$.

Motivation Behind The Algorithm

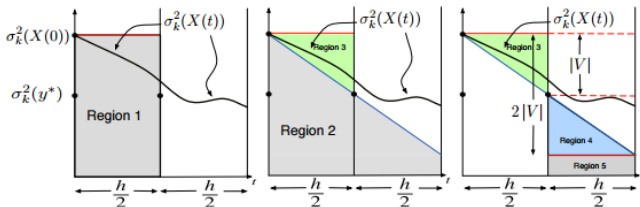


Figure: 1 A graphical illustration of Extended Euler-Maruyama Scheme for $\theta = \frac{1}{2}$

- To approximate $X(h)$, we focus on the double integral in (2.1) for a single k .

Motivation Behind The Algorithm

- Take $\theta = \frac{1}{2}$ for illustration.
- Approximate $X(\frac{h}{2})$ using the Euler-Maruyama method on the interval $[0, \frac{h}{2})$
- Denote it by Y_1^*
- To do so, we calculate $\xi_k(\text{Region 1})$, where Region 1 is the grey shaded region in the figure.

$$\xi_k(\text{Region 1}) \stackrel{d}{=} N(0, \sigma_k^2(X(0))\frac{h}{2}) \stackrel{d}{=} \sigma_k(X(0)) \sqrt{\frac{h}{2}} N(0, 1)$$

- This is equivalent in distribution to step 1 of our algorithm and exactly carried by step 1 of our algorithm.

Motivation Behind The Algorithm

- Consider the whole region Region 5.

$$\begin{aligned}\xi_k(\text{Region 5}) &\stackrel{d}{=} N\left(0, (\sigma_k^2(X(0)) - 2(\sigma_k^2(X(0)) - \sigma_k^2(Y_1^*))\frac{h}{2})\right) \\ &\stackrel{d}{=} N\left(0, (2\sigma_k^2(Y_1^*) - \sigma_k^2(X(0)))\frac{h}{2}\right)\end{aligned}$$

- Returning to step 2 of our algorithm: For $i = 1$, we have

$$\sqrt{(2\sigma_k^2(Y_1^*) - \sigma_k^2(X(0)))\frac{h}{2}} N(0, 1) \text{ in step 2 of our algorithm.}$$

Functional Setting

- We define $C^k(\mathbb{R}^d)$ in the following way:

$$C^k(\mathbb{R}^d) = \{f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } D^\alpha f(x) \text{ exists, bounded and continuous for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^d\}, \quad (3.1)$$

- where α is such that $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{Z}^+ \cup \{0\}$ for each $i = 1, \dots, d$ and $|\alpha| \leq k$.
- We define the norm

$$\|f\|_k = \sup \{|D^\alpha f(x)| : x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d), |\alpha| \leq k\}. \quad (3.2)$$

- $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ is the family of real-valued, bounded and Borel measurable functions defined on \mathbb{R}^d .

Functional Setting

- Define the Markov semigroup $\mathcal{P}_t : \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ related to (1.1) by

$$(\mathcal{P}_t f)(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{E}_x f(X(t)), \text{ where } X(0) = x \quad (3.3)$$

- The Markov semigroup $P_h : \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ by

$$(P_h f)(y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{E}_y f(Y_1), \text{ where } Y_0 = y \quad (3.4)$$

Assumptions

(A1) The coefficients of (1.1) satisfy the Lipschitz and linear growth conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} |b(x) - b(y)| + \sum_{k=1}^M |\sigma_k(x) - \sigma_k(y)| &\leq \kappa|x - y|, \\ |b(x)| + \sum_{k=1}^M |\sigma_k(x)| &\leq \kappa(1 + |x|), \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

for all $k = 1, \dots, M$ and $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$, where κ is a positive constant.

Assumptions

(A2) For each $k = 1, \dots, M$, we have $\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \{\sigma_k(x)\} > 0$. In addition, there exists a positive constant $\lambda \in (0, 1]$ so that for any $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^d$ we have

$$\lambda |\xi|^2 \leq \xi^T a(x) \xi \leq \lambda^{-1} |\xi|^2, \quad (3.6)$$

where ξ^T denotes the transpose of ξ and $a(x) := \sum_{k=1}^M \sigma_k^2(x) \nu_k \nu_k^T$.

(A3) For all multi-index α with $|\alpha| \leq 4$, we have

$$|D^\alpha b(x)| + \sum_{k=1}^M |D^\alpha \sigma_k(x)| \leq K(1 + |x|^p), \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad (3.7)$$

where K and p are positive numbers.

The Generators

$$(Af)(x) = f'[b(x)](x) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^M \sigma_k^2(x) f''[v_k, v_k](x), \quad (3.8)$$

$$(B_1 f)(x) = f'[b(x_0)](x) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^M \sigma_k(x_0)^2 f''[v_k, v_k](x), \quad (3.9)$$

$$(Bf)(x) = f'[b(x_0)](x) \quad (3.10) \\ + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^M [\alpha_1 \sigma_k^2(Y_1^*) - \alpha_2 \sigma_k^2(x_0)]^+ f''[v_k, v_k](x).$$

- Where $f'[v](z)$ is the derivative of f in the direction v evaluated at the point z .

Main Theorems

Theorem (Local Approximation)

Assume (A1)–(A3). Then there exist a constant K so that $\|\mathcal{P}_h - P_h\|_{4 \rightarrow 0} \leq Kh^2$ for all $h > 0$ sufficiently small.

Theorem (Global Approximation)

Assume that $b \in C^4$ and $\forall k, \sigma_k \in C^4$ with $\inf_x \sigma_k(x) > 0$. Then for any $T > 0$ there exists a constant $C(T)$ such that

$$\sup_{0 \leq nh \leq T} \|\mathcal{P}_{nh} - P_h^n\|_{4 \rightarrow 0} \leq C(T)h$$

Main Theorems

- The proof of the Local Approximation Theorem depends on the following lemma

Lemma

Assume (A1)–(A4). Then for all $h > 0$ sufficiently small and $f \in C^4$, we have

$$\mathbb{E}[f(Y_1^*) + (Bf)(Y_1^*)(1 - \theta)h] = f(x_0) + (Af)(x_0)h + O(h^2).$$

Example 1 Geometric Brownian Motion

- For one dimensional case we have the Black-Scholes model.

$$\begin{aligned}dX(t) &= \lambda X(t)dt + \mu X(t)dW(t), \\ X(0) &= x \in \mathbb{R}\end{aligned}\tag{4.1}$$

- This Stochastic differential equation (4.1) is used to model asset price in financial mathematics.
- The solution to this SDE is

$$X(t) = X(0)e^{(\lambda - \frac{1}{2}\mu^2)t + \mu W(t)}\tag{4.2}$$

- The expected value of the solution is

$$\mathbb{E}[X(t)] = \mathbb{E}[X(0)]e^{\lambda t}\tag{4.3}$$

Example 1 Geometric Brownian Motion

- We test the weak convergence of our method over $[0, 1]$ for $\lambda = 2$, $\mu = 0.1$, and $X(0) = 1$.
- We used step sizes $h_p = 2^{p-10}$, for $1 \leq p \leq 5$ to sample over 50000 discretized brownian paths of the equation (4.1).
- We then compute the error and the outcome of the numerical experiment is shown in Figure 2 where we have plotted the weak error against ' h ' on log-log scale.

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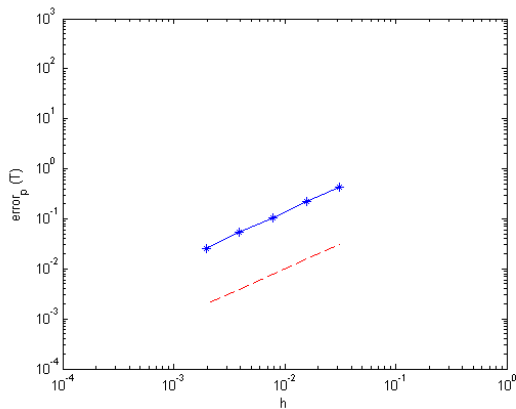


Figure: 2 Log-Log plots of error versus step-size.

Example 1 Geometric Brownian Motion

- Detailed calculation shows that

$$\mathbb{E}[(X(t))^2] = \mathbb{E}[X(0)^2]e^{(2\lambda+\mu^2)t} \quad (4.4)$$

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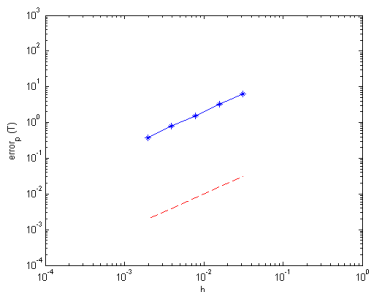


Figure: 3 Log-Log plots of error versus step-size.

- It is observed that the slope of the best fit line is empirically one.

Background For Linear Stability Analysis

- Roundoff and truncation errors produced during simulation is natural.
- The spreading of such errors is absolutely necessary to understand in simulation.
- The usefulness of a numerical method depends upon its ability to control the propagation of errors.
- Numerical schemes with better numerical stability are demanded.

Background For Linear Stability Analysis

- The solutions of a differential equation are continuous in their initial values, at least over a finite time interval.
- The concept of stability is an extension of this idea to an infinite time interval, [Kloeden and Platen, 1992].
- In some sense, the stability of a numerical scheme refers to the conditions under which the impact of an error vanishes asymptotically over time, [Bruti-Liberati and Platen, 2008].
- Consider scalar Itô equation

$$dX(t) = b(t, X(t))dt + \sigma(t, X(t))dW(t), X(t_0) = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad (5.1)$$

- With a steady solution $X(t) \equiv 0$, so $b(t, 0) = 0$ and $\sigma(t, 0) = 0$.

Background For Linear Stability Analysis

- We recall the definitions for p th-mean stability and asymptotically stable in p th-mean from [Kloeden and Platen, 1992].

Definition

Steady solution $X_t \equiv 0$ is called

- stable in p th-mean if for every $\epsilon > 0$ and $t_0 \geq 0 \exists \delta = \delta(t_0, \epsilon) > 0$ such that $\mathbb{E}[|X_t^{t_0, x_0}|^p] < \epsilon$ for all $t \geq t_0$ and $|x_0| < \delta$,
- asymptotically stable in p th-mean if it is stable in p th-mean and there exists a $\delta_0 = \delta_0(t_0) > 0$ such that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[|X_t^{t_0, x_0}|^p] = 0 \quad \text{for all } |x_0| < \delta_0.$$

Background For Linear Stability Analysis

- We give the following probabilistic definitions for stochastic stability from [Kloeden and Platen, 1992]

Definition

The steady solution $X(t) \equiv 0$ is called stochastically stable if for any $\epsilon > 0$ and $t_0 \geq 0$

$$\lim_{x_0 \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P} \left(\sup_{t \geq t_0} |X_t^{t_0, x_0}| \geq \epsilon \right) = 0,$$

and stochastically asymptotically stable if, in addition,

$$\lim_{x_0 \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P} \left(\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |X_t^{t_0, x_0}| \rightarrow 0 \right) = 1.$$

Background For Linear Stability Analysis

- Now it is natural to ask the following questions:
 - 1 Do the numerical solutions of SDEs preserve the stability properties of the original SDEs?
 - 2 and if yes for what stepsizes h does the numerical method reproduce the characteristics of the test equation?
- The above two questions have received quite a lot of attention and in fact stability analysis of numerical methods is motivated by them.
- We try to answer the above two questions.
- We will focus on the linear test equation

$$X(t) = X(0) + \int_0^t \lambda X(s) ds + \int_0^t \mu X(s) dW(s), \quad t \geq 0. \quad (5.2)$$

Mean-square Stability Analysis For Stochastic ODEs

- The SDE (5.2) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}dX(t) &= \lambda(X(t))dt + \mu(X(t))dW(t), t \in [0, T] \\ X(0) &= x \in \mathbb{R}\end{aligned}\tag{5.3}$$

- We assume that λ and μ are real constants.
- Assuming that $X(0) \neq 0$ with probability 1, solutions of (5.3) have the following properties:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \mathbb{E}(|X(t)|^2) = 0 \Leftrightarrow 2\lambda + \mu^2 < 0\tag{5.4}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} |X(t)| = 0, \text{ with probability } 1 \Leftrightarrow \lambda - \frac{1}{2}\mu^2 < 0.\tag{5.5}$$

Here $\mathbb{E}(\cdot)$ denotes the expected value.

Mean-square Stability Analysis For Stochastic ODEs

- For simplicity, let S_P denotes the sets of order pairs of real problem parameters for which problem is stable.
- Clearly,

$$S_P = \{\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R} : 2\lambda + \mu^2 < 0\}.$$

- Applying the extended Euler-Maruyama method to (5.2) produces the following iterative sequence:

$$Y_n = [A + B\eta_1^{(n)}] Y_{n-1} + \sqrt{(1-\theta)h[C + D\eta_1^{(n)} + E(\eta_1^{(n)})^2]}^+ \eta_2^{(n)} |Y_{n-1}|, \quad (5.6)$$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots$, where $\{\eta_1^{(n)}, \eta_2^{(n)}, n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ are mutually independent normal random variables with mean zero and variance one.

Mean-square Stability Analysis For Stochastic ODEs

- A, B, C, D and E in (5.6) are given by

$$A := 1 + \lambda h,$$

$$B := \mu \sqrt{\theta h},$$

$$C := \mu^2(1 + \alpha_1 \lambda^2 \theta^2 h^2 + 2\alpha_1 \lambda \theta h) \quad (5.7)$$

$$D := 2\alpha_1 \mu^3 (\lambda \theta h + 1) \sqrt{\theta h},$$

$$E := \alpha_1 \mu^4 \theta h > 0.$$

- Apparently C is positive when $\lambda \geq 0$.
- When $\lambda < 0$, we can find $0 < h < \frac{1}{\lambda \theta} \left(-1 + \sqrt{\alpha_2 / \alpha_1} \right)$ such that C is positive.

Mean-square Stability Analysis For Stochastic ODEs

- The sequence (5.6) is mean-square stable if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}(|Y_n|^2) = 0$ [Higham, 2000b].
- It follows from (5.6) that

$$\mathbb{E}[|Y_n|^2] = \mathbb{E}[|Y_{n-1}|^2] \left(A^2 + B^2 + (1-\theta)h \mathbb{E} \left[\left[C + D\eta_1^{(n)} + E(\eta_1^{(n)})^2 \right]^+ \right] \right). \quad (5.8)$$

Lemma

For $0 < h < \frac{1}{\lambda\theta} \left(-1 + \sqrt{\alpha_2/\alpha_1} \right)$, we have

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\left[C + D\eta_1^{(n)} + E(\eta_1^{(n)})^2 \right]^+ \right] \leq C + E + o(h^2). \quad (5.9)$$

Mean-square Stability Analysis For Stochastic ODEs

- Putting (5.9) into (5.8) and using the expressions for A, \dots, E in (5.7), detailed computations reveal that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[|Y_n|^2] &< \mathbb{E}[|Y_{n-1}|^2](A^2 + B^2 + (1 - \theta)h(C + E + o(h^2))) \\ &= \mathbb{E}[|Y_{n-1}|^2] \left[1 + (2\lambda + \mu^2)h + \frac{1}{2}[2\lambda^2 + 2\lambda\mu^2 + \mu^4]h^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + o(h^2) \right].\end{aligned}\tag{5.10}$$

- Furthermore, for the expression inside the brackets of the right-hand side of (5.10), we notice that

$$2\lambda^2 + 2\lambda\mu^2 + \mu^4 = 2\left(\lambda + \frac{1}{2}\mu^2\right)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\mu^4 > 0.\tag{5.11}$$

Mean-square Stability Analysis For Stochastic ODEs

- Next we compute the discriminant

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta &= (2\lambda + \mu^2)^2 - 4\frac{1}{2}(2\lambda^2 + 2\lambda\mu^2 + \mu^4) \\ &= -\mu^4 < 0.\end{aligned}\tag{5.12}$$

- Therefore, it follows that for any $h > 0$,

$$1 + (2\lambda + \mu^2)h + \frac{1}{2}[2\lambda^2 + 2\lambda\mu^2 + \mu^4]h^2 > 0.$$

- The condition for mean square stability of the Extended Euler-Maruyama(EEM) method for (5.2) is

$$1 + (2\lambda + \mu^2)h + \frac{1}{2}[2\lambda^2 + 2\lambda\mu^2 + \mu^4]h^2 < 1.\tag{5.13}$$

Mean-square Stability Analysis For Stochastic ODEs

- We can rewrite equation (5.13) as

$$0 < h < \frac{-2(2\lambda + \mu^2)}{2\lambda^2 + 2\lambda\mu^2 + \mu^4}. \quad (5.14)$$

- Sufficient condition for mean square stability of the weak Simpson method for (5.2) is

$$0 < h < \min \left\{ \frac{-2(2\lambda + \mu^2)}{2\lambda^2 + 2\lambda\mu^2 + \mu^4}, \frac{1}{\lambda\theta} \left(-1 + \sqrt{\alpha_2/\alpha_1} \right) \right\}. \quad (5.15)$$

Mean-square Stability Analysis For Stochastic ODEs

- We have the following theorem:

Theorem

The following assertions are true:

- Given $(\lambda, \mu) \in S_P$, the extended Euler-Maruyama method is mean-square stable if the discretization stepsize h satisfies (5.15). Therefore the mean square stability of the process (5.2) implies the mean square stability of the extended Euler-Maruyama method if the discretization stepsize h satisfies (5.15).*
- Conversely, if the extended Euler-Maruyama method with discretization stepsize $h > 0$ is mean-square stable for (5.2), then the parameters λ and μ of (5.2) satisfies $(\lambda, \mu) \in S_P$. In other words, the mean square stability of the extended Euler-Maruyama method implies that of the underlying stochastic process (5.2).*

Mean-square Stability Analysis For Stochastic ODEs

- We can visualize the stability region for

$$\frac{-2(2\lambda + \mu^2)}{2\lambda^2 + 2\lambda\mu^2 + \mu^4} < \frac{1}{\lambda\theta} \left(-1 + \sqrt{\alpha_2/\alpha_1} \right).$$

- Using (5.13), we have

$$S_M := \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 2x^2 + 2xy + y^2 + 4x + 2y < 0\}. \quad (5.16)$$

- The plot of mean-square stability domain for the EEM method S_M is shown in Figure 9.

Mean-square Stability Analysis For Stochastic ODEs

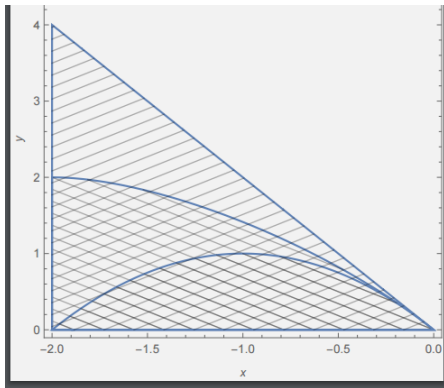


Figure: 9 Real mean-square stability domain for weak EEM and EM method

Thank You!



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