

# Mathematical Modelling and Simulation with Comsol Multiphysics II

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## Exercise 5

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### Exercise 5 (FitzHugh-Nagumo system: Traveling Pulse).

Consider the **FitzHugh-Nagumo system**

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_{1,t} \\ u_{2,t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{1,xx} \\ u_{2,xx} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} u_1 - \zeta u_1^3 - u_2 + \alpha \\ \beta(\gamma u_1 - \delta u_2 + \varepsilon) \end{pmatrix}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, t \geq 0$$

for some  $D \geq 0$ ,  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \varepsilon, \zeta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\zeta \neq 0$  and  $u_i = u_i(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . Using the notation

$$u = (u_1, u_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad \text{and} \quad f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2, \quad f(u) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 - \zeta u_1^3 - u_2 + \alpha \\ \beta(\gamma u_1 - \delta u_2 + \varepsilon) \end{pmatrix},$$

the FitzHugh-Nagumo system can also be written as

$$u_t = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} u_{xx} + f(u), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, t \geq 0.$$

a) Solve the **nonfrozen FitzHugh-Nagumo system**

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} u_{1,t} \\ u_{2,t} \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_{1,xx} \\ u_{2,xx} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} u_1 - \zeta u_1^3 - u_2 + \alpha \\ \beta(\gamma u_1 - \delta u_2 + \varepsilon) \end{pmatrix}, & x \in \Omega, t \in (0, T_1], \\ \begin{pmatrix} u_1(0) \\ u_2(0) \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} u_0^{(1)} \\ u_0^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}, & x \in \bar{\Omega}, t = 0, \\ \begin{pmatrix} u_{1,x} \\ u_{2,x} \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, & x \in \partial\Omega, t \in [0, T_1], \end{aligned}$$

on the spatial domain  $\Omega = (-60, 60)$  for end time  $T_1 = 120$ , asymptotic states

$$u_{\pm} = \begin{pmatrix} -1.19940803524404 \\ -0.624260044055044 \end{pmatrix},$$

initial data

$$u_0^{(1)}(x) = \begin{cases} u_{\pm}^{(1)} & , x \in [-60, -10) \\ u_{\pm}^{(1)} + \frac{x+10}{20} & , x \in [-10, 10] \\ u_{\pm}^{(1)} + 1 & , x \in (10, 60] \end{cases}, \quad u_0^{(2)}(x) = u_{\pm}^{(2)},$$

and parameters

$$D = \frac{1}{10}, \quad \alpha = 0, \quad \beta = \frac{2}{25}, \quad \gamma = 1, \quad \delta = 0.8, \quad \varepsilon = \frac{7}{10}, \quad \zeta = \frac{1}{3}.$$

For the space discretization use linear Lagrange elements with maximal element size  $\Delta x = 0.1$ . For the time discretization use the BDF method of maximum order 5 with intermediate time steps, time stepsize  $\Delta t = 0.1$ , relative tolerance  $\text{rtol} = 10^{-3}$  and absolute tolerance  $\text{atol} = 10^{-5}$  with global method set to be unscaled. The nonlinear equations should be solved by the Newton method. i.e. automatic (Newton).

b) Solve the **nonfrozen FitzHugh-Nagumo system**

$$\begin{aligned}
(2) \quad & \begin{pmatrix} \hat{v}_{1,t} \\ \hat{v}_{2,t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{v}_{1,xx} \\ \hat{v}_{2,xx} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \hat{v}_1 - \zeta \hat{v}_1^3 - \hat{v}_2 + \alpha \\ \beta(\gamma \hat{v}_1 - \delta \hat{v}_2 + \varepsilon) \end{pmatrix}, \quad x \in \Omega, t \in (0, T_2], \\
& \begin{pmatrix} \hat{v}_1(0) \\ \hat{v}_2(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{v}_0^{(1)} \\ \hat{v}_0^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}, \quad x \in \bar{\Omega}, t = 0, \\
& \begin{pmatrix} \hat{v}_{1,x} \\ \hat{v}_{2,x} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x \in \partial\Omega, t \in [0, T_2],
\end{aligned}$$

on the spatial domain  $\Omega = (-60, 60)$  for end time  $T_2 = 1.2$ ,  $\hat{v}_0^{(1)}(x) = u_0^{(1)}(x)$ ,  $\hat{v}_0^{(2)}(x) = u_0^{(2)}(x)$  and parameters

$$D = \frac{1}{10}, \quad \alpha = 0, \quad \beta = \frac{2}{25}, \quad \gamma = 1, \quad \delta = 0.8, \quad \varepsilon = \frac{7}{10}, \quad \zeta = \frac{1}{3}.$$

For the space discretization use linear Lagrange elements with maximal element size  $\Delta x = 0.1$ . For the time discretization use the BDF method of maximum order 5 with intermediate time steps, time stepsize  $\Delta t = 0.1$ , relative tolerance  $\text{rtol} = 10^{-2}$  and absolute tolerance  $\text{atol} = 10^{-4}$  with global method set to be unscaled. The nonlinear equations should be solved by the Newton method. i.e. automatic (Newton).

c) Solve the **frozen FitzHugh-Nagumo system**

$$\begin{aligned}
(3) \quad & \begin{pmatrix} v_{1,t} \\ v_{2,t} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_{1,\xi\xi} \\ v_{2,\xi\xi} \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} v_{1,\xi} \\ v_{2,\xi} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} v_1 - \zeta v_1^3 - v_2 + \alpha \\ \beta(\gamma v_1 - \delta v_2 + \varepsilon) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi \in \Omega, t \in (0, T_3], \\
& \begin{pmatrix} v_1(0) \\ v_2(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_0^{(1)} \\ v_0^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi \in \bar{\Omega}, t = 0, \\
& \begin{pmatrix} v_{1,\xi} \\ v_{2,\xi} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi \in \partial\Omega, t \in [0, T_3], \\
& 0 = (v_1 - \hat{v}_1, \hat{v}_{1,\xi})_{L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R})} + (v_2 - \hat{v}_2, \hat{v}_{2,\xi})_{L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R})}, \quad t \in [0, T_3], \\
& \gamma_t = \mu, \quad t \in (0, T_3], \\
& \gamma(0) = 0, \quad t = 0
\end{aligned}$$

on the spatial domain  $\Omega = (-60, 60)$  for end time  $T_3 = 150$ , initial data  $v_0^{(1)}(\xi) = u_0^{(1)}(\xi)$ ,  $v_0^{(2)}(\xi) = u_0^{(2)}(\xi)$ , reference function  $\hat{v}(\xi)$  as the solution of (2) at end time  $T_2$  and parameters

$$D = \frac{1}{10}, \quad \alpha = 0, \quad \beta = \frac{2}{25}, \quad \gamma = 1, \quad \delta = 0.8, \quad \varepsilon = \frac{7}{10}, \quad \zeta = \frac{1}{3}.$$

For the space discretization use linear Lagrange elements with maximal element size  $\Delta x = 0.1$ . For the time discretization use the BDF method of maximum order 2 with intermediate time steps, time stepsize  $\Delta t = 0.1$ , relative tolerance  $\text{rtol} = 10^{-2}$  and absolute tolerance  $\text{atol} = 10^{-5}$  with global method set to be unscaled. The nonlinear equations should be solved by the Newton method (automatic (Newton)).

d) Solve the **eigenvalue problem** for the linearization of the FitzHugh-Nagumo system

$$\begin{aligned}
(4) \quad & \lambda \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & D \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix} + \mu_* \begin{pmatrix} w_{1,\xi} \\ w_{2,\xi} \end{pmatrix} + Df(v_*(\xi)) \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi \in \Omega, \\
& \begin{pmatrix} w_{1,\xi} \\ w_{2,\xi} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi \in \partial\Omega
\end{aligned}$$

on the spatial domain  $\Omega = (-60, 60)$ , where  $Df(u)$  denotes the derivative of  $f$  given by

$$Df(u) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 3\zeta u_1^2 & -1 \\ \beta\gamma & -\beta\delta \end{pmatrix}.$$

For  $v_*$  and  $\mu_*$  use the solutions  $v$  and  $\mu$  of (3) at the end time  $T_3 = 150$ . Determine neigs = 400 eigenvalues  $\lambda$  and correspondig eigenfunctions  $w = (w_1, w_2)^T$ . The eigenvalues should be closest in absolute value around the shift  $-1$ .

e) **Postprocessing and Visualization** of results: Create the following plots to visualize the results of the computations:

- **Traveling Pulse, View 1:** Plot the solution  $u_1$  of (1) at time  $t = 0, 20, 40$  and  $60$ .
- **Traveling Pulse, View 1:** Plot the solution  $u_2$  of (1) at time  $t = 0, 20, 40$  and  $60$ .
- **Traveling Pulse, View 2:** Create a time-space plot for the solution  $u_1$  of (1).
- **Traveling Pulse, View 2:** Create a time-space plot for the solution  $u_2$  of (1).
- **Reference function:** Plot the template solutions  $\hat{v}_1$  and  $\hat{v}_2$  of (2) at time  $T_2$ .
- **Profile, View 1:** Plot the solution  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  of (3) at the end time  $T_3$ .
- **Profile, View 2:** Create a time-space plot for the solution  $v_1$  of (3).
- **Profile, View 2:** Create a time-space plot for the solution  $v_2$  of (3).
- **Velocity:** Plot the velocity  $\mu$  of (3) for time  $t$  from  $0$  to  $T_3$ .
- **Position:** Plot the position  $\gamma$  of (3) for time  $t$  from  $0$  to  $T_3$ .
- **Convergence indicator:** Plot  $\|v_t(t)\|_{L^2(\Omega, \mathbb{R}^2)}$  and  $|\mu_t(t)|$  for time  $t$  from  $0$  to  $T_3$ .
- **Eigenvalues and Spectrum:** Plot the eigenvalues  $\lambda$  of (4).
- **Eigenfunctions:** Plot the eigenfunction  $w$  of (4) belonging to the zero eigenvalue.