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1. INTRODUCTION

This report discusses the problem of digital simulation of the vector nonlinear stochastic differential equation

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a(x(t), t) + b(x(t), t) \xi(t), \quad (1)$$

$$t \in [t_0 = t_{\min}, t_{\max}]$$

where $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ is a $n \times 1$ state variables vector, $a(x, t) = \|a_i\|$ is a $n \times 1$ vector functions of x and t , $b(x, t) = \|b_{ij}\|$ is a $n \times m$ matrix function. $a(x, t)$ and $b(x, t)$ are satisfied to the Lipschitz conditions. Random forcing $\xi(t) = \frac{d}{dt}w(t)$ is a $m \times 1$ vector of white noises, $w(t)$ is a $m \times 1$ standard Wiener process

$$w_i(t_0) = 0, \quad i = \overline{1, m},$$

$$E\{w_i(t)\} = 0, \quad (2)$$

$$E\{w_i(t_2)w_j(t_1)\} = \delta_{ij}|t_2 - t_1|.$$

The initial condition of state variables equals $x(t_0)$.

There are few papers on numerical integration of the stochastic differential equation (1), see [1-9, 14, 15]. The theoretical estimations of accuracy are discussed only in [2] and [9]. The articles [3, 5, 8] present the experiment experience. The papers [5, 6, 14, 15] are devoted to numerical schemes providing only the statistical convergence, i.e. the convergence of the sample moments. The sample path convergence is discussed in the Ph.D. thesis [2], the book [4, p.186], and the paper [9].

This report deals with:

- (a) the application of the Picard iterations [1, p. 279] to obtain several integration schemes (not only Euler and Runge-Kutta schemes) which provide a sample path convergence;

- (b) the development of a special Wiener process generator applicable to sample path convergence investigations and to numerical schemes with variable integration step lengths;
- (c) the development of routines to integrate the n-dimensional stochastic differential equation (1) in Itô and Stratonovich senses both with constant and variable integration step lengths. The routines are written for FORTRAN-4 compiler at computer PDP-15 (versus FOR at the Department of Automatic Control).

2. DIFFERENCE SCHEMES TO OBTAIN ITÔ AND STRATONOVICH SOLUTIONS

2.1 Preliminary

In the theoretical approach it is more convenient to work with the integral equation equivalent to the differential equation (1) :

$$x(t) = x(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^t a(x(s), s) ds + \int_{t_0}^t b(x(s), s) dw(s). \quad (3)$$

To simplify the calculations we consider equation (3) to be the one-dimensional one. The extension to the n-dimensional equation is rather clear, some necessary remarks are pointed out in Section 2.4.

We use the Picard iterations [1, p. 279] to obtain difference schemes for solving equation (3) :

$$x_t^{[r+1]} = x_{t_0} + \int_{t_0}^t a(x_s^{[r]}, s) ds + \int_{t_0}^t b(x_s^{[r]}, s) dw_s \quad (4)$$

where $x_t = x(t)$, $w_t = w(t)$, index in square brackets indicates the number of iteration.

Let us choose the zero approximation as $x_t^{[0]} = x_{t_0}$. Then, according to (4), the first approximation is

$$\begin{aligned} x_t^{[1]} &= x_{t_0} + \int_{t_0}^t a(x_{t_0}, s) ds + \int_{t_0}^t b(x_{t_0}, s) dw_s \approx \\ &\approx x_{t_0} + a(x_{t_0}, t_0) \Delta t + b(x_{t_0}, t_0) \Delta w_t \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where $\Delta t = t - t_0$, $\Delta w_t = w(t) - w(t_0)$.

Putting (5) into (4) we get the second approximation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_t^{[2]} &= x_{t_0} + \int_{t_0}^t a \left(x_{t_0} + a(x_{t_0}, t_0) \cdot (s-t_0) + b(x_{t_0}, t_0) \cdot \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \cdot (w(s) - w(t_0)), s \right) ds + \int_{t_0}^t b \left(x_{t_0} + a(x_{t_0}, t_0) \cdot (s-t_0) + \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + b(x_{t_0}, t_0) \cdot (w(s)-w(t_0)), s \right) dw_s \approx \quad (6) \\
 &\approx x_{t_0} + a \cdot \Delta t + (a'_t + a \cdot a'_x) \frac{(\Delta t)^2}{2} + a'_x b \int_{t_0}^t \Delta w_s ds + \dots + \\
 &\quad + b \cdot \Delta w_t + (b'_t + a \cdot b'_x) \int_{t_0}^t \Delta s dw_s + b \cdot b'_x \int_{t_0}^t \Delta w_s dw_s + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

In this expression we used the notations

$$a = a(x_{t_0}, t_0), \quad b = b(x_{t_0}, t_0),$$

$$a'_t = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} a(x, t) \Big|_{x_{t_0}, t_0} \quad \text{etc.}$$

Expression (6) contains stochastic integrals. Therefore the results of calculations depend on the definition of the stochastic integral. Consider below both the Itô and the Stratonovich solutions of the stochastic differential equation (1).

2.2 Stratonovich Solution

It can be shown [1] that the first approximation (5) converges to the Itô solution of (1). The simplest difference scheme to find the Stratonovich solution runs from the

second approximation (6) retaining only the terms order Δt and $(\Delta w_t)^2$:

$$x_t = x_{t_0} + a \cdot \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} b b'_x (\Delta w_t)^2 \quad (7)$$

where we use the well-known Stratonovich integral [10]

$$\int_{t_0}^t \Delta w_s dw_s = \frac{1}{2} (\Delta w_t)^2. \quad (8)$$

A more accurate difference scheme follows from the full expression for the second approximation (6). This expression contains two stochastic integrals

$$\int_{t_0}^t \Delta w_s ds \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{t_0}^t \Delta s dw_s$$

which are the same both in the Itô and Stratonovich senses. Therefore we can use the Itô lemma [6]

$$\Delta w_t \cdot \Delta t = \int_{t_0}^t \Delta s dw_s + \int_{t_0}^t \Delta w_s ds \quad (9)$$

and calculate only one of them, for example

$$\eta = \int_{t_0}^t \Delta w_s ds. \quad (10)$$

The integral η (10) can't be expressed in the closed form. So, we find the optimal estimate in the mean square sense

$$\hat{\eta} = E \{ \eta | w(t), w(t_0) \} = \frac{\Delta t \cdot \Delta w_t}{2}. \quad (11)$$

The estimate $\hat{\eta}$ converges to η as Δt is refined for every realization of $w(t)$.

Hence we have got a difference scheme more accurate than (7):

$$\begin{aligned} x_t = & x_{t_0} + a \cdot \Delta t + b \cdot \Delta w_t + \frac{1}{2} b \cdot b'_x \cdot (\Delta w_t)^2 + \\ & + (a'_t + a \cdot a'_x) \frac{(\Delta t)^2}{2} + (a'_x \cdot b + b'_t + a \cdot b'_x) \frac{\Delta t \cdot \Delta w_t}{2} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

providing Stratonovich solution of equation (1).

We can't estimate other stochastic integrals of higher order such as $\int_{t_0}^t (\Delta w_s)^2 ds$ and so on. But we can partly improve the accuracy retaining the higher derivatives of function $a(x,t)$ at the second approximation (6). Thus we get the scheme analogous to the fourth-order Runge-Kutta (R-K) scheme for deterministic equations [2,11]

$$x_t = x_{t_0} + \frac{1}{6} (K_1 + 2K_2 + 2K_3 + K_4) \quad (13)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} K_1 &= a(x_{t_0}, t_0) \Delta t + b(x_{t_0}, t_0) \Delta w_t, \\ K_2 &= a(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_1}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) \Delta t + b(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_1}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) \Delta w_t, \\ K_3 &= a(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_2}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) \Delta t + b(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_2}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) \Delta w_t, \\ K_4 &= a(x_{t_0} + K_3, t_0 + \Delta t) \Delta t + b(x_{t_0} + K_3, t_0 + \Delta t) \Delta w_t, \end{aligned}$$

the Wiener process increment $\Delta w_t = w(t) - w(t_0)$.

When the coefficient $b(x,t)$ in equation (1) is rather small, scheme (13) has advantages compared to scheme (12). But for large $b(x,t)$ both schemes have approximately the same accuracy. A similar phenomenon was at first mentioned in [2] and then in [4].

The Runge-Kutta method (13) is the most convenient method to provide the Stratonovich solution of equation (2). Compared with schemes (7) and (12) this method has the better accuracy and demands to calculate only the coefficients $a(x,t)$ and $b(x,t)$, not their higher derivatives.

Therefore just method (13) was used in the FORTRAN program (see Section 5) to obtain the Stratonovich solution.

2.3 Itô Solution of One-dimensional Equation

As it was mentioned above, the first approximation (5)

$$x_t = x_{t_0} + a \cdot \Delta t + b \cdot \Delta w_t \quad (5')$$

converges to the Itô solution of equation (1). We call this (5') as the Euler scheme has expanded to the stochastic differential equations.

Putting the Itô integral [10]

$$\int_{t_0}^t \Delta w_s dw_s = \frac{1}{2} [(\Delta w_t)^2 - \Delta t]$$

into the expression for the second approximation (6) and retaining only the terms order Δt and $(\Delta w_t)^2$ we get a more accurate scheme than (5'),

$$x_t = x_{t_0} + a \cdot \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} b b'_x [(\Delta w_t)^2 - \Delta t] \quad (14)$$

Note that if we put the approximate equality $(\Delta w_t)^2 \approx \Delta t$ into the right-hand side of (14) we'll get the previous scheme (5').

The difference scheme similar to (12) is

$$\begin{aligned} x_t = x_{t_0} &+ a \cdot \Delta t + b \cdot \Delta w_t + \frac{1}{2} b b'_x [(\Delta w_t)^2 - \Delta t] + \\ &+ (a'_t + a \cdot a'_x) \frac{(\Delta t)^2}{2} + (a'_x \cdot b + b'_t + a \cdot b'_x) \frac{\Delta t \cdot \Delta w_t}{2}. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Scheme (15), providing the Itô solution, differs from the Stratonovich solution scheme (12) only by the term $\frac{1}{2} b b'_x \cdot \Delta t$. Hence the R-K scheme to obtain the Itô solution of equation (1) differs from expression (13) by the same term:

$$x_t = x_{t_0} + \frac{1}{6} (K_1 + 2K_2 + 2K_3 + K_4) - \frac{1}{2} b b'_x \cdot \Delta t \quad (16)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} K_1 &= a(x_{t_0}, t_0) \Delta t + b(x_{t_0}, t_0) \Delta w_t, \\ K_2 &= a(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_1}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) \Delta t + b(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_1}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) \Delta w_t, \\ K_3 &= a(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_2}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) \Delta t + b(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_2}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) \Delta w_t, \\ K_4 &= a(x_{t_0} + K_3, t_0 + \Delta t) \Delta t + b(x_{t_0} + K_3, t_0 + \Delta t) \Delta w_t. \end{aligned}$$

Another way to get an R-K scheme to obtain the Itô solution of equation (1) is to apply the standard R-K scheme (13) to the next Stratonovich equation equivalent to the Itô one (1) :

$$dx = [a(x, t) - \frac{1}{2} b(x, t) b'_x(x, t)] dt + b(x, t) dw(t). \quad (17)$$

Hence we get an R-K scheme like (13), applied to the equivalent Stratonovich equation (17) :

$$x_t = x_{t_0} + \frac{1}{6} (K_1 + 2K_2 + 2K_3 + K_4) \quad (18)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} K_1 &= [a(x_{t_0}, t_0) - \frac{1}{2} b b'_x(x_{t_0}, t_0)] \Delta t + b(x_{t_0}, t_0) \Delta w_t, \\ K_2 &= [a(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_1}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) - \frac{1}{2} b b'_x(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_1}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2})] \Delta t + \\ &\quad + b(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_1}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) \Delta w_t, \\ K_3 &= [a(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_2}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) - \frac{1}{2} b b'_x(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_2}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2})] \Delta t + \\ &\quad + b(x_{t_0} + \frac{K_2}{2}, t_0 + \frac{\Delta t}{2}) \Delta w_t, \\ K_4 &= [a(x_{t_0} + K_3, t_0 + \Delta t) - \frac{1}{2} b b'_x(x_{t_0} + K_3, t_0 + \Delta t)] \Delta t + \\ &\quad + b(x_{t_0} + K_3, t_0 + \Delta t) \Delta w_t. \end{aligned}$$

Scheme (16) has some advantages compared to the standard R-K scheme (18) as it demands to calculate the term $\frac{1}{2} b b'_x \Delta t$ only

once per each integration step. At the same time it has drawbacks from the point of programming.

To solve the Itô equation (1) we use the Euler method (5) in the FORTRAN program (see Section 5). In order to apply the standard R-K method (18) it is preliminarily necessary to calculate the term $\frac{1}{2}b(x,t)b'_x(x,t)$ of the equivalent Stratonovich equation (17) analytically (see also next section, 2.4).

2.4 Generalization to Many-dimensional Equations

The generalization of the R-K scheme (13) and the Euler scheme (5') for equation (1) to be n-dimensional is rather clear. It is necessary to replace scalar values by vectors and matrices [11]. That is only a formal thing to do. As for the R-K scheme (18) for the equivalent Stratonovich equation (17), it is necessary to calculate the term $\frac{1}{2}b b'_x$. Consider three cases:

2.4.1. In the general case the scalar form of the Itô vector equation (1) is

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dx_1}{dt} = a_1(\vec{x}, t) + \sum_{j=1}^m b_{ij}(\vec{x}, t) \xi_j(t) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{dx_n}{dt} = a_n(\vec{x}, t) + \sum_{j=1}^m b_{ij}(\vec{x}, t) \xi_j(t). \end{array} \right. \quad (19)$$

Using the Stratonovich rule [10] we find that the scalar term $\frac{1}{2}b b'_x$ in equation (17) corresponds to the term

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m \frac{\partial b_{ik}(\vec{x}, t)}{\partial x_j} b_{jn}(\vec{x}, t), \quad i = \overline{1, n}. \quad (20)$$

2.4.2. In the second case there is only one white noise excitation, $\xi(t)$:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dx_1}{dt} = a_1(\vec{x}, t) + g_1(\vec{x}, t) \xi(t), \\ \vdots \\ \frac{dx_n}{dt} = a_n(\vec{x}, t) + g_n(\vec{x}, t) \xi(t) \end{array} \right. \quad (21)$$

so the term $\frac{1}{2} b b'_x$ corresponds to

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial g_i(\vec{x}, t)}{\partial x_j} g_j(\vec{x}, t), \quad i = \overline{1, n}. \quad (22)$$

2.4.3. In the third case every scalar equation contains only one white noise:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{dx_1}{dt} = a_1(\vec{x}, t) + g_1(\vec{x}, t) \xi_1(t), \\ \vdots \\ \frac{dx_n}{dt} = a_n(\vec{x}, t) + g_n(\vec{x}, t) \xi_n(t) \end{array} \right. \quad (23)$$

so the term $\frac{1}{2} b b'_x$ corresponds to

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial g_i(\vec{x}, t)}{\partial x_i} g_i(\vec{x}, t), \quad i = \overline{1, n} \quad (24)$$

Remark. A difference scheme to solve the n -dimensional Itô equation (19), similar to (15), is shown in Appendix.

3. WIENER PROCESS GENERATOR

3.1 Algorithm

While digital simulating the stochastic differential equations it is necessary to check the accuracy and to be sure that the approximate solution converges to the exact one (we consider the convergence in the sample path sense). So, we are to repeat simulations with different integration step lengths taking the same realization of the vector Wiener process $\vec{w}(t)$. It means that the samples of an approximate Wiener process at any point t_r equal the values of finer approximation at that time. The same problem takes place at the variable integration step method (see Section 4).

To do this, let us choose the smallest integration step length

$$h_{\min} = \frac{t_{\max} - t_{\min}}{2^K_{\max}}. \quad (25)$$

The current step length equals

$$h = \frac{t_{\max} - t_{\min}}{2^K} \quad (26)$$

where $K = K_{\min}, K_{\min}+1, \dots, K_{\max}$. The value of K is appointed by the user in the constant integration step length method or is automatically chosen in the variable integration step length method.

So, if we have a sample of one-dimensional standard Wiener process $w(t_r)$ at any point t_r and are to generate the next sample $w(t_{r+1})$ at the point $t_{r+1} = t_r + h_r$, where step h_r is equal to (26), we use the algorithm (see Fig. 1):

$$w(t_{r+1}) = w(t_r) + \sqrt{h_{\min}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{h/h_{\min}} \xi_{J_r+\ell} \quad (27)$$

where ξ_i is Gaussian random numbers with zero mean and unite

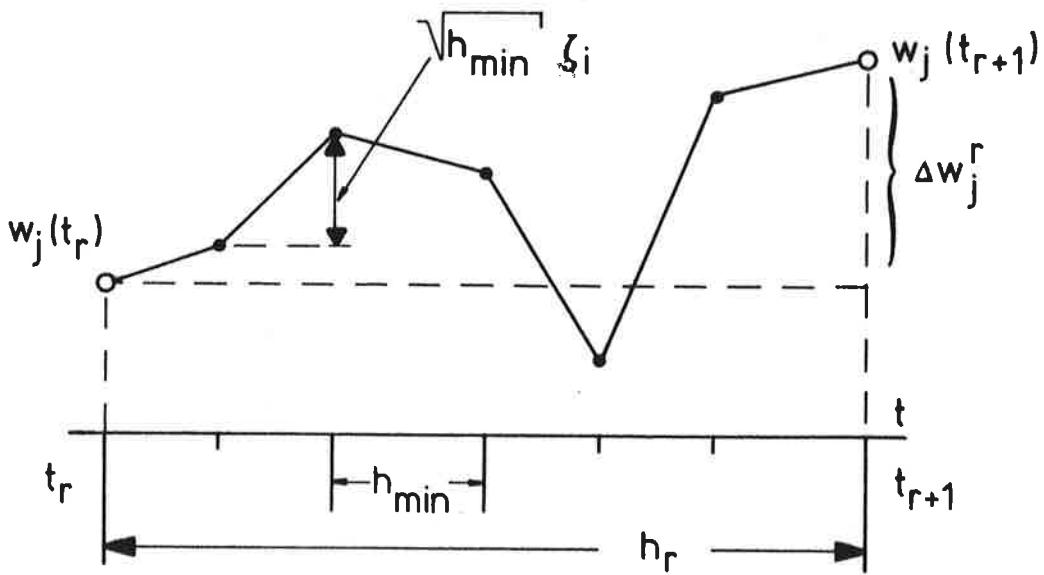


Fig. 1 - Wiener process generator.

variance, J_r is the number of the latest sample of the random number generator. The increment of one-dimensional Wiener process is equal to

$$\Delta w_r = w(t_{r+1}) - w(t_r) = \sqrt{h_{\min}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{h/h_{\min}} \xi_{J_r + \ell}. \quad (28)$$

Generating the m -dimensional Wiener process $\vec{w}(t) = (w_1(t), \dots, w_m(t))$ by one random number generator we use the algorithm

$$w_j(t_{r+1}) = w_j(t_r) + \sqrt{h_{\min}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{h/h_{\min}} \xi_{J_r + (\ell-1)m + j} \quad (29)$$

where $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$.

Algorithm (29) was written in FORTRAN as

```

9 DO 11 J=1,M
11 R(J)=0.0
      DO 12 I=1,KR
      DO 12 J=1,M
      CALL MCNODI(NU,GS)
12 R(J)=R(J)+GS
      DO 13 J=1,M
      R(J)=R(J)*SHM
13 W(J)=W(J)+R(J)

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(30)

where M is the number of scalar Wiener processes, $KR = h/h_{\min}$,
 $= 2^{K_{\max}-K}$, $SHM = \sqrt{h_{\min}}$, $MCNODI(NU, GS)$ is the Gaussian
routine name, NU is an odd number, GS is $N(0,1)$ Gaussian
random numbers, $R(J)$ is equal to the Wiener process
increment $w_j(t_{r+1}) - w_j(t_r)$.

3.2 Comparison of two Gaussian Random Number Generators

At first we tested algorithm (29) with a PDP-15 Gaussian random number routine MCNODI like (30). It was obtained that this routine provides Wiener processes with periodical components, see Fig. 2a. We divided the time interval $t \in [0,1]$ on $2^{15} = 32\ 768$ points and tested the MCNODI routine with several initial numbers NU (Fig. 2a corresponds to $NU = 9$) but at every realization a period of approximately 5460 numbers was obtained.

To increase the period we used nonlinear transformation of two rectangular random variables [12, p.176]

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= (-2 \ln \zeta_1)^{1/2} \cos 2\pi \zeta_2 \\ y_2 &= (-2 \ln \zeta_1)^{1/2} \sin 2\pi \zeta_2. \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

Algorithm (31) transforms two independent random variables, ζ_1 and ζ_2 , rectangular over $[0,1]$ to two independent variables, y_1 and y_2 , from a Gaussian distribution with zero mean and unit variance.

To simplify the program we use only one random number, y_1 . Rectangular variables provides the routine MCREDI which gives one zero sample per period. The FORTRAN program to generate the Wiener process (29) is

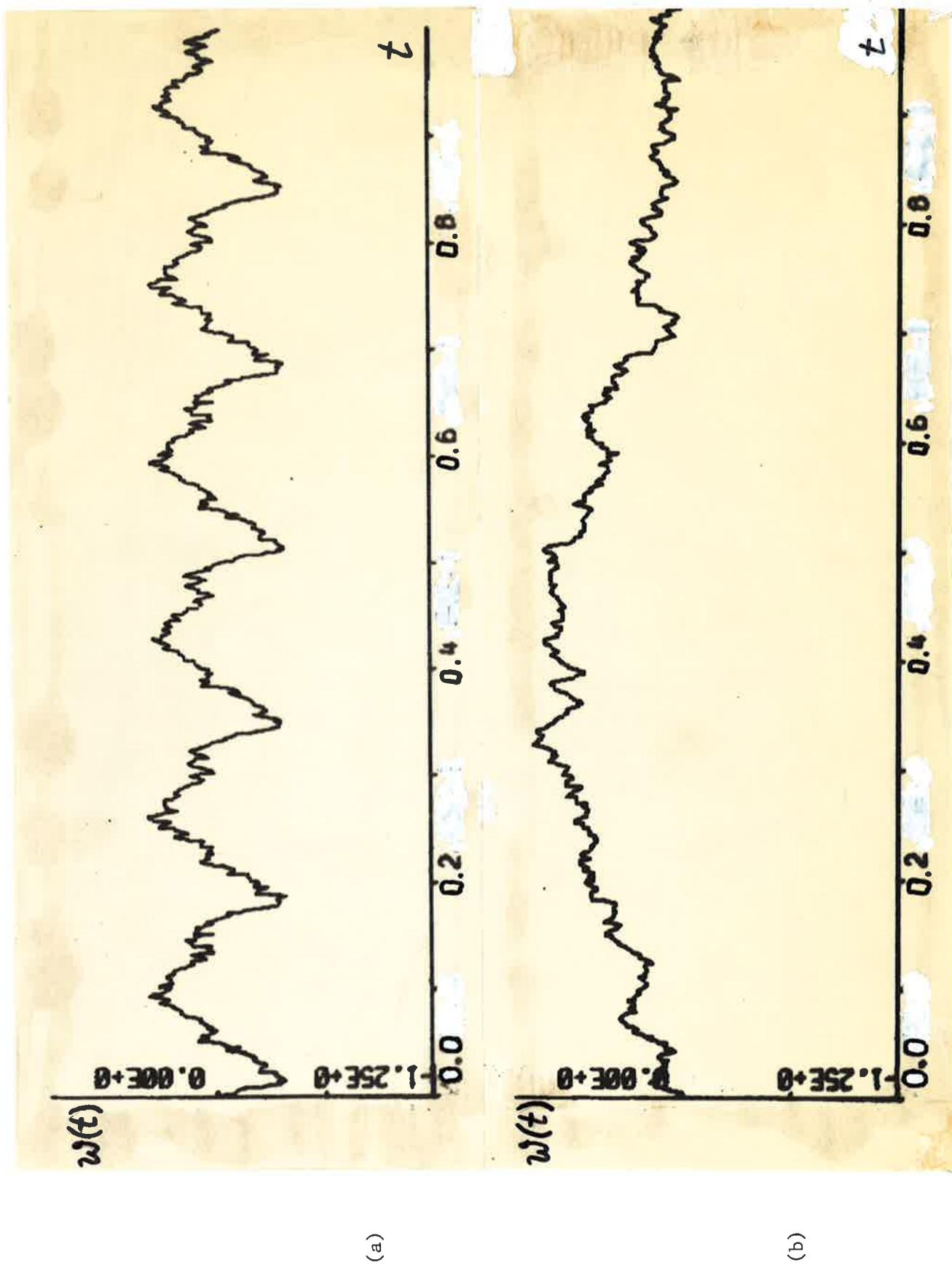


Fig. 2. Wiener process: (a) MCNODI generator, (b) nonlinear transformation of rectangular random variables.

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9 DO 11 J=1,M
11 R(J)=0.0
    DO 12 I=1,KR
    DO 12 J=1,M
99 CONTINUE
    CALL MCREDI(NU,REC1)
    CALL MCREDI(NU,REC2)
    IF(REC1.EQ.0.0) GOTO 99
    GS=SQRT(-2.0*ALOG(REC1))*COS(PI2*REC2)
12 R(J)=R(J)+GS
    DO 13 J=1,M
    R(J)=R(J)*SHM
13 W(J)=W(J)+R(J)

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(32)

The period of such a generator on PDP-15 is equal to $2^{17}-1 = 131071$. A realization of a Wiener process with initial number NU=9 is shown in Fig. 2b.

In conclusion, we point out the dependence between the mean value m and the standard deviation σ of the Gaussian generator (32) on N numbers of sampling:

N	m	σ
2	1.0080227554	1.3937898577
4	0.7538282275	1.0280693471
8	0.1870607361	1.2018311917
16	0.0475175977	1.2200787663
32	0.1173253767	1.0714786648
64	-0.0137966501	0.9706972837
128	-0.0495720468	1.0398858189
256	0.0026516137	1.0168921351
512	0.0438656453	0.9735938460
1024	0.0572415916	0.9886081666
2048	-0.0095007990	1.0021583736
4096	-0.0236054291	1.0073654949
8192	-0.0117221705	0.9965249449
16384	-0.0032938370	0.9994821548
32768	0.0002269202	1.0002311468

4. VARIABLE INTEGRATION STEP SIZE TECHNIQUE (STEP DOUBLING AND HALVING)

The estimation of local truncation error and integration step size control developed for ordinary differential equation [11] doesn't prove for stochastic ones. However, we have no alternative, as it is desirable to reduce the computation time applying the variable integration step length method. Therefore let's try to do this.

Each basic step of size h_r is done twice, once as two steps of size $h_r/2$ and once as one step of size h_r (see Fig. 3).

If the result of one step of size h_r is $x_{r+1}^{(1)}$, while the result of two steps of size $h_r/2$ is $x_{r+1}^{(2)}$, we have a local truncation error

$$\delta_{r+1} = |x_{r+1}^{(1)} - x_{r+1}^{(2)}|. \quad (33)$$

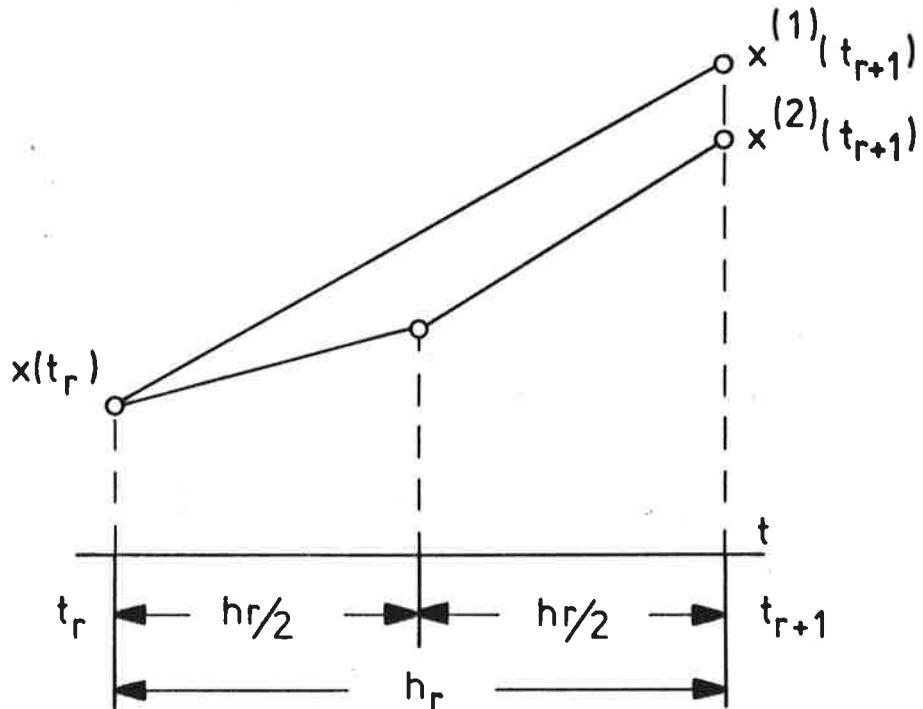


Fig. 3 - Variable step size.

In the n-dimensional case $\vec{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ is a vector, so

$$\delta_{r+1} = \max_i \left| x_i^{(1)}(t_{r+1}) - x_i^{(2)}(t_{r+1}) \right|. \quad (34)$$

Then compare δ_{r+1} with some limit error ϵ .

If $\delta_{r+1} > \epsilon$, restart from point t_r halving the integration step length $h_r = h_r/2$. To get the same samples of Wiener process we have to store the state of the random number generator (NU in program (32)) and the Wiener process value $w(t_r)$ at each initial point t_r .

If $\epsilon/10 < \delta_{r+1} < \epsilon$, calculate the next step with the same step length $h_{r+1} = h_r$.

If $\delta_{r+1} < \epsilon/10$, calculate the next step with double step length $h_{r+1} = 2h_r$.

The integration method can be both Runge-Kutta and Euler. But some examples show (see Section 6) that the Euler method with variable integration step length has no advantages compared to the Euler method with constant integration step length. In fact the R-K local truncation error decreases as $h \rightarrow 0$ faster than the Euler error. Therefore, if we can consider solution $x_{r+1}^{(2)}$ in expression (30) to be rather close to the exact one, it is not true for the Euler method. Hence we recommend to use the variable integration step method only for R-K schemes.

5. DESCRIPTION OF THE FORTRAN PROGRAM

The program package for simulating the n-dimensional stochastic differential equation (1) contains three standard subroutines STOCH, STH, STEP, the main program, and at least two user subroutines SIDE and OUTP which are called on by standard subroutines.

5.1 Main Program

The main program calls on the standard subroutine

```
CALL STOCH(XI,TMIN,TMAX,NX,NR,EPS,K,KMAX,KMIN,ISTEP,
METHOD,TP1,DP,NU,IS,W)
```

where the input arguments are:

XI	- vector of initial conditions of state variables
TMIN	- initial time of integration
TMAX	- upper limit of integration time
NX	- number of first-order equation n in (1)
NR	- number of input white noises m in (1)
EPS	- local truncation error in the variable integration step length method, ϵ
K	- defines the value of the integration step h (26) if ISTEP=0, otherwise K indicates the initial value of h
KMAX	- indicates the minimum value of the integration step length h_{\min} (25)
KMIN	- indicates the maximum value h_{\max}
ISTEP	- if ISTEP=0, the integration interval $[t_{\min}, t_{\max}]$ is divided into 2^K equal segments of length h (26), otherwise the variable integration step method is used
METHOD	- if METHOD=0, the subroutine obtains Itô solution by the Euler method, otherwise Stratonovich solution by the fourth-order Runge-Kutta method
TP1	- first point of time to output the solution by means of the user subroutine OUTP
DP	- increment of time to output the solution
NU	- initial state of the random number generator (odd number).

The argument IS is the output one which equals the number of integration steps. Vector W is the allocation vector.

In the main program the user has to define the input arguments and point out the real dimensions of vectors XI(NX) and W(7·NX+4·NR).

5.2 Standard Subroutines

Subroutine STOCH (Table 1) is the auxiliary subroutine for dynamic allocation of vectors in FORTRAN-4 language (see report [13]). This subroutine calls on the basic subroutine STH (Table 2) which organizes the numerical integration with a constant, if ISTEP=0, or with variable step length otherwise. The subroutine STH also contains the Wiener process generator (32) which calls on the library subroutine MCREDI.

Subroutine STH calls on the standard subroutine STEP (Table 3) to perform integration on one step by the Euler method (5'), if METHOD=0, or by R-K method (13) otherwise.

5.3 User Subroutines

5.3.1 Subroutine SIDE. Subroutine STEP calls on the user subroutine

SIDE(T+H,H,XH,R,DX)

where the input arguments are

T - current time, t_r

H - current integration step length, h_r , when using constant step technique, $h_r/2$ otherwise

X - initial vector $\vec{x}(t_r)$ on elementary integration interval (t_r, t_{r+1})

R - vector of Wiener process increments $\Delta \vec{w}_r$.

The user has to write the program to calculate the output vector argument DX of dimension NX in such a way.

For the Euler method (5') DX is the vector state variables increments, for the R-K method (13) it is the vector coefficient $\vec{K}_\ell (\ell=1,2,3,4)$.

Vector DX contains coefficients of the stochastic differential equation (1). Let the $n \times 1$ vector $A(I) = \alpha_i(\vec{x}(t_r), t_r)$. Note that in many practical cases matrix $\| b_{ij} \|$ in equation (1) contains a lot of zero elements. Therefore the user has to write down the $n \times m$ matrix $\| b_{ij} \|$ as a vector $B(J) = b_{ij}(\vec{x}_r, t_r)$ for non-zero elements b_{ij} . The dimension of B is equal to data of non-zero elements in matrix $\| b_{ij} \|$.

In the FORTRAN notation the i:th component of vector DX is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} DX(I) &= A(I) * H + B(\dots) * R(1) + \dots + B(\dots) * R(NR), \\ I &= 1, 2, \dots, NX. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Thus, in subroutine SIDE, the user has to define the vector coefficients A(I) and B(J) and write down expression (35) where H and R(J) are input arguments defined into basic subroutine STEP.

Due to allocation vector techniques the dimension of the vectors X, R, and DX can be described like this:

```
DIMENSION X(1),DX(1),R(1)
```

For vectors A and B the user has to point out their real dimensions.

5.3.2 Subroutine OUTP. Basic subroutine STH calls on the subroutine

```
OUTP(T,X,WIENER)
```

to output the current time T, the vector state variables X and the Wiener process WIENER.

All the arguments of subroutine OUTP are the input arguments defined into the basic subroutine STH.

Dimensions of the vector X and WIENER are described in such a manner:

DIMENSION X(1),WIENER(1).

TABLE 1

```

001 C NAME: STOCH
002 C -----
003 C SUBTITLE: SOLUTION OF THE NONLINEAR ITO OR STRATONOVICH STOCHASTIC
004 C DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS
005 C
006 C KEYWORDS:
007 C -----
008 C SOLUTION, SYSTEM OF NONLINEAR STOCHASTIC DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS,
009 C ITO EQUATION, STRATONOVICH EQUATION
010 C
011 C IMPLEMENTOR: VSEVOLOD D.RAZEVIG      DATE: 1977-05-19
012 C -----
013 C
014 C INSTITUTE:
015 C -----
016 C DEPARTMENT OF AUTOMATIC CONTROL
017 C LUND INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, SWEDEN
018 C
019 C ACCEPTED:                      VERSION: 1
020 C -----
021 C
022 C =====
023 C
024 C PURPOSE
025 C =====
026 C
027 C ITO OR STRATONOVICH SOLUTION OF THE SYSTEM OF N FIRST-ORDER NONLINEAR
028 C STOCHASTIC DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS  $X' = A(X,T) + B(X,T)*W'$  WITH
029 C CONSTANT OR VARIABLE LENGTH STEPS
030 C
031 C USAGE
032 C =====
033 C
034 C PROGRAM TYPE: SUBROUTINE
035 C -----
036 C
037 C ARGUMENTS:
038 C -----
039 C STOCH(XI,TMIN,TMAX,NX,NR,EPS,K,KMAX,KMIN,ISTEP,METHOD,
040 C 1TP1,DP,NU,IS,W)
041 C
042 C XI    - VECTOR OF INITIAL CONDITIONS OF STATE VARIABLES
043 C TMIN  - INITIAL TIME OF INTEGRATION
044 C TMAX  - UPPER LIMIT OF INTEGRATION TIME
045 C NX    - NUMBER OF EQUATIONS
046 C NR    - NUMBER OF INPUT WHITE NOISES
047 C EPS   - LOCAL TRUNCATION ERROR
048 C K     - INDICATE THE INITIAL VALUE OF THE INTEGRATION STEP
049 C H=(TMAX-TMIN)/2**K
050 C KMAX  - INDICATE THE MINIMUM VALUE OF THE INTEGRATION STEP
051 C HMINE=(TMAX-TMIN)/2**KMAX
052 C KMIN  - INDICATE THE MAXIMUM VALUE OF THE INTEGRATION STEP
053 C HMAX=(TMAX-TMIN)/2**KMIN
054 C ISTEP - IF ISTEP=0, INTEGRATION INTERVAL DIVIDED INTO 2**K EQUAL
055 C SEGMENTS OF LENGTH H, OTHERWISE ARE USED THE VARIABLE
056 C INTEGRATION STEP
057 C METHOD- IF METHOD=0, SUBROUTINE OBTAINS ITO SOLUTION BY EULER METHOD,
058 C OTHERWISE STRATONOVICH SOLUTION BY THE FOURTH-ORDER
059 C RUNGE-KUTTA METHOD
060 C TP1   - FIRST POINT OF TIME TO OUTPUT THE SOLUTION BY MEANS USER
061 C SUBROUTINE OUTP
062 C DP    - INCREMENT OF TIME TO OUTPUT THE SOLUTION
063 C NU    - INITIAL STATE OF RANDOM NUMBER GENERATOR

```

TABLE 1 (continued)

IS - NUMBER OF THE INTEGRATION STEPS
 W - ALLOCATION VECTOR HAVING DIMENSION 7*NX+4*NR

NOTES:

- 1) USER COMPOSES THE MAIN PROGRAM WHICH CALLS ON SUBROUTINE STOCH
 2) USER COMPOSES SUBROUTINE SIDE(T,H,X,R,DX)

INPUT ARGUMENTS:

 T - CURRENT TIME
 H - CURRENT INTEGRATION STEP LENGTH
 X - CURRENT STATE VARIABLES VECTOR
 R - WIENER PROCESS INCREMENT VECTOR

OUTPUT ARGUMENT

 DX - UNIT INCREMENT VECTOR EQUALS TO $DX(I)=A(X,T)*H+B(X,T)*R(J)$
 ($I=1,2,\dots,NX$, $J=1,2,\dots,NR$). NONLINEAR VECTOR COEFFICIENTS
 $A(X,T)$ AND $B(X,T)$ ARE DESCRIBED BY USER. DIMENSION
 OF $A(X,T)$ EQUALS TO NX, MAXIMUM DIMENSION OF $B(X,T)$
 EQUALS TO $NX*NR$.

- 3) USER COMPOSES SUBROUTINE OUTP(T,X,WIENER) TO OUTPUT
 THE SOLUTION $X(I)$ AND WIENER PROCESS $WIENER(J)$.
 4) SUBROUTINE STOCH CALLS ON INNER SUBROUTINES STH AND STEP
 5) SUBROUTINE STH CALLS ON LIBRARY SUBROUTINE MCREDI (RECTANGULAR
 RANDOM NUMBER GENERATOR)

METHOD

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IN STH IS USED EULER OR FORTH-ORDER RUNGE-KUTTA METHOD BOTH WITH
 CONSTANT AND VARIABLE INTEGRATION STEP LENGTH. THE CURRENT STEP
 IS HALFWING AND DOUBLING IN SUCH A MANNER TO GET THE SAME SAMPLES
 OF NOISE WHILE SOLVING THE EQUATION WITH DIFFERENT VALUES OF
 EPS OR K.

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CHARACTERISTICS

 REVISIONS:

 SUBROUTINE STOCH(XI,TMIN,TMAX,NX,NR,EPS,K,KMAX,KMIN,ISTEP,METHOD,
 TTP1,DP,NU,IS,W)

DIMENSION XI(1),W(1)

KW1=1

KW2=KW1+NX

KW3=KW2+NX

KW4=KW3+NX

KW5=KW4+NR

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L28 KW6=KW5+NR
L29 KW7=KW6+NR
L30 KW8=KW7+NR
L31 KW9=KW8+NX
L32 KW10=KW9+NX
L33 KW11=KW10+NX
L34 C
L35 C CALL ON THE BASIC SUBROUTINE STH
L36 C
L37 CALL STH(X1,TMIN,TMAX,NX,NR,EPS,K,KMAX,KMIN,ISTEP,METHOD,
L38 1TP1,DP,NU,IS,W(KW1),W(KW2),W(KW3),W(KW4),W(KW5),W(KW6),W(KW7),
L39 2W(KW8),W(KW9),W(KW10),W(KW11))
L40 RETURN
L41 END
```

TABLE 2

```

01      THIS IS BASIC SUBROUTINE TO SOLVE STOCHASTIC DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION
02
03
04      SUBROUTINE STH(X,TMIN,TMAX,NX,NR,EPS,K,KMAX,KMIN,ISTEP,METHOD,
05      1TP1,DP,NU,IS,X1,X2,XH2,WIENER,WIENE1,R,R1,S1,S2,S3,S4)
06
07      DIMENSION X(1),X1(1),X2(1),XH2(1),WIENER(1),WIENE1(1),R(1),R1(1),
08      1S1(1),S2(1),S3(1),S4(1)
09
10      DATA PI2/6.283185307/
11
12      DETERMINE ZERO INITIAL CONDITIONS FOR WIENER PROCESSES
13
14      DO 1 J=1,NR
15      1 WIENER(J)=0.0
16
17      ... FOR TIME T, SWITCH IS AND VARIABLE TPR RUNNING
18      THE OUTPUTTING SUBROUTINE OUTP
19
20      T=TMIN
21      IS=0
22      TPR=TP1
23      EPS1=EPS/10.0
24
25      DETERMINE THE MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM VALUES OF INTEGRATION
26      STEP LENGTH
27
28      HMIN=(TMAX-TMIN)/2**KMAX
29      HMAX=(TMAX-TMIN)/2**KMIN
30      SHM=SQRT(HMIN)
31
32      CALL ON USER SUBROUTINE OUTP TO OUTPUT THE INITIAL CONDITIONS
33
34      CALL OUTP(T,X,WIENER)
35
36      THE BEGINNING OF THE INTEGRATION,
37      DETERMINE THE CURRENT INTEGRATION LENGTH STEP
38
39      2 H=(TMAX-TMIN)/2**K
40      H2=H+H
41
42      STORAGE THE PRECEDING VALUE OF STATE NU OF RANDOM NUMBER GENERATOR
43      AND WIENER PROCESS FOR A RESTART
44
45      N1=NU
46      DO 3 J=1,NR
47      WIENE1(J)=WIENER(J)
48      3 R(J)=0.0
49
50      CALCULATE THE NUMBER OF CONSECUTIVE SAMPLINGS KR
51
52      KR=INT(H/HMIN+0.1)
53
54      GENERATE GAUSSIAN INCREMENTS R(J) OF WIENER PROCESS AND
55      THE WIENER PROCESS AT THE POINT T+H
56
57      DO 4 I=1,KR
58      DO 4 J=1,NR
59      31 CALL MCREDI(NU,REC1)
60      CALL MCREDI(NU,REC2)
61      IF(REC1.EQ.0.0)GOTO 31
62      GS=SQRT(-2.0* ALOG(REC1))*COS(PI2*REC2)
63      4 R(J)=R(J)+GS

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164 DO 5 J=1,NR
165 R(J)=R(J)+SHM
166 5 WIENER(J)=WIENER(J)+R(J)
167
168 C CALL ON SUBROUTINE STEP TO CALCULATE THE STATE VARIABLES
169 C X1(I) ON THE FIRST STEP LENGTH H
170 C
171 C CALL STEP(T,H,X,R,X1,NX,NR,METHOD,S1,S2,S3,S4)
172 C
173 C IF ISTEP=0, PUT THE VALUES X1(I) TO THE CURRENT STATE VARIABLES
174 C VECTOR X(I) AND GO TO THE BOTTOM OF SUBROUTINE
175 C
176 C IF(ISTEP,NE,0)GOTO 7
177 C T=T+H
178 C DO 6 I=1,NX
179 C 6 X(I)=X1(I)
180 C IS=IS+1
181 C GOTO 16
182 C
183 C IF ISTEP NOT EQUALS TO ZERO, COMPUTE THE NEXT STEP
184 C OF THE LENGTH H AND THE LARGER STEP OF THE LENGTH 2*H
185 C
186 C GENERATE GAUSSIAN INCREMENTS OF WIENER PROCESS ON THE NEXT STEP R1(J)
187 C AND CALCULATE WIENER PROCESS AT THE POINT T+2*H
188 C
189 C 7 DO 8 J=1,NR
190 C 8 R1(J)=0.0
191 C DO 10 I=1,KR
192 C DO 10 J=1,NR
193 C 9 CALL MCREDI(NU,REC1)
194 C CALL MCREDI(NU,REC2)
195 C IF(REC1,EQ,0.0)GOTO 9
196 C GS=SQRT(-2.0*ALOG(REC1))*COS(P12*REC2)
197 C 10 R1(J)=R1(J)+GS
198 C DO 11 J=1,NR
199 C R1(J)=R1(J)*SHM
200 C WIENER(J)=WIENER(J)+R1(J)
201 C 11 R(J)=R(J)+R1(J)
202 C
203 C CALL ON SUBROUTINE STEP TO CALCULATE XH2(I) ON THE LARGE STEP 2*H
204 C
205 C CALL STEP(T,H2,X,R,XH2,NX,NR,METHOD,S1,S2,S3,S4)
206 C
207 C CALL ON SUBROUTINE STEP TO CALCULATE X2(I) ON THE SECOND STEP H
208 C
209 C CALL STEP(T+H,H,X1,R1,X2,NX,NR,METHOD,S1,S2,S3,S4)
210 C
211 C CALCULATE THE LARGEST ERROR DM
212 C
213 DM=0.0
214 DO 12 I=1,NX
215 DE=ABS(XH2(I)-X2(I))
216 XA=ABS(X2(I))
217 IF(XA.GT.1.0)DE=DE/XA
218 IF(DE.GT.DM)DM=DE
219 C 12 CONTINUE
220 C
221 C IS DM LARGER EPS?
222 C
223 C IF(DM-EPS)13,13,20
224 C
225 C IF DM<EPS, DETERMINE CURRENT TIME T=T+H AND CURRENT STATE VARIABLES
226 C X(I)=X2(I). IF IN ADDITION DM<EPS/10 DOUBL THE LENGTH STEP
227 C

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TABLE 2 (continued)

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28      13 IF(DM.LT.EPS1)K=K-1
29          IF(K.LT.KMIN)K=KMIN
30      14 T=T+H2
31          IS=IS+2
32          DO 15 I=1,NX
33      15 X(I)=X2(I)

34      C      CHECK THE NECESSERITY TO CALL ON SUBROUTINE OUTP
35      C
36      C      16 IF(T-TPR)2,19,19
37          19 TPR=TPR+DP
38          CALL OUTP(T,X,WIENER)
39
40      C      IS T LARGER THAN TMAX?
41      C
42      C      IF(T+HMIN/2.0.LT.TMAX)GOTO 2
43      C      GOTO 25

44      C      IF DM>EPS, REPEAT THE CALCULATIONS HALFWING THE LENGTH STEP
45
46      C      20 K=K+1
47
48      C      IS K LARGER THAN KMAX?
49      C
50      C      IF(KMAX-K)21,22,22
51
52      C      IF K>KMAX, ELIMINATE K AND GO TO THE NEXT STEP
53      C
54      C      21 K=KMAX
55      C      GOTO 14

56      C      IF K LESS OR EQUAL KMAX RENEW THE STATE OF THE RANDOM NUMBER
57      C      GENERATOR AND WIENER PROCESSES AND REPEAT THE CALCULATIONS
58      C
59      C      22 NU=N1
60      C      DO 23 J=1,NR
61          23 WIENER(J)=WIENE1(J)
62          GOTO 2
63      C      25 RETURN
64          END

```

TABLE 3

```

001 C THIS IS INNER SUBROUTINE TO PERFORM INTEGRATION ON ONE STEP,
002 C IF METHOD=0, SUBROUTINE STEP OBTAINS ITO SOLUTION BY EULER
003 C METHOD, OTHERWISE STRATONOVICH SOLUTION BY THE FORTH-ORDER
004 C RUNGE-KUTTA METHOD.
005 C
006 C
007 C SUBROUTINE STEP(T,H,X,R,XH,NX,NR,METHOD,S1,S2,S3,S4)
008 C
009 C DIMENSION X(1),R(1),XH(1),S1(1),S2(1),S3(1),S4(1)
010 C
011 C CALL ON USER SUBROUTINE SIDE TO DETERMINE THE INCREMENT OF
012 C STATE VARIABLES ON THE STEP LENGTH H WITH INITIAL
013 C CONDITIONS X(I) AT THE TIME T.
014 C
015 C CALL SIDE(T,H,X,R,S1)
016 C
017 C IS METHOD=0?
018 C
019 C IF(METHOD.NE.0)GOTO 2
020 C
021 C IF METHOD=0 CALCULATE THE NEXT SAMPLE XH(1) OF EULER SOLUTION
022 C AT THE POINT T+H AND GO TO THE BOTTOM OF THE SUBROUTINE
023 C
024 DO 1 I=1,NX
025 1 XH(1)=S1(1)+X(1)
026 GOTO 7
027 C
028 C IF METHOD NOT EQUAL TO ZERO CALCULATE THE NEXT RUNGE-KUTTA
029 C COEFFICIENTS
030 C
031 2 DO 3 I=1,NX
032 3 XH(1)=X(1)+S1(1)*0.5
033 CALL SIDE(T+H*0.5,H,XH,R,S2)
034 DO 4 I=1,NX
035 4 XH(1)=X(1)+S2(1)*0.5
036 CALL SIDE(T+H*0.5,H,XH,R,S3)
037 DO 5 I=1,NX
038 5 XH(1)=X(1)+S3(1)
039 CALL SIDE(T+H,H,XH,R,S4)
040 C
041 C DETERMINE THE NEXT SAMPLE XH(1) OF STRATONOVICH SOLUTION
042 C
043 DO 6 I=1,NX
044 6 XH(1)=(S1(1)+2.0*S2(1)+2.0*S3(1)+S4(1))/6.0+X(1)
045 7 RETURN
046 END

```

6. EXAMPLES

Example 1. Consider the Itô solution of equation

$$dx(t) = cx dt + gx dw(t) \quad (36)$$

by the Euler method (5') with constant integration step length on time interval $t \in [0,1]$ with initial condition $x(0) = 1$.

Choose the number of samples $x(t)$ to be printed equal to 100 ($TP1=DP=1/100$), the integration step size $h = 1/2^{10}$ ($K=10$), $h_{\min} = 1/2^{15}$ ($KMAX=15$).

The number of equations in (36) equals $NX=1$ and the number of white noises $NR=1$. Therefore the dimension of the allocation vector W equals $7*NX+1*NR=11$. Choose the initial value of random number generator $NU = 65317$.

The main program is shown in Table 4. Note that variables $KMIN$ and EPS are not used in the constant integration step length method.

The coefficients of equation (36) and solution increment (35) are described at the user subroutine `SIDE`, Table 5, where coefficients $c = -1$, $g = 1$.

The user subroutine `OUTP` (Table 6) outputs the current time T , the solution $X(1)$ and the Wiener process $WIENER(1)$ on a line-printer.

Besides, at Fig. 4 we compare the rate of convergence of several Itô integration procedures:

- 1) Euler method (5')
- 2) modified Euler method (14)
- 3) second approximation (15)

TABLE 4

```

001      C PROGRAM MAIN
002      DIMENSION XI(1),W(11)
003      COMMON /OUT/ISTEP,METHOD
004      TMIN=0.0
005      TMAX=1.0
006      DP=(TMAX-TMIN)/100.0
007      TP1=DP
008      KMAX=15
009      K=10
010      ISTEP=0
011      METHOD=0
012      XI(1)=1.0
013      NX=1
014      NR=1
015      NU=65317
016      WRITE(6,1)TMIN,TMAX,EPS,TP1,DP,KMAX,KMIN,K,NX,NR,ISTEP,METHOD
017      1 FORMAT(5F11.8,7I8)
018      CALL STOCH(XI,TMIN,TMAX,NX,NR,EPS,K,KMAX,KMIN,ISTEP,METHOD,
019      1TP1,DP,NU,IS,W)
020      WRITE(6,100)IS
021      100 FORMAT(I10)
022      STOP
023      END

```

TABLE 5

```

001      SUBROUTINE SIDE(T,H,X,R,DX)
002      DIMENSION X(1),DX(1),R(1)
003      DIMENSION A(1),B(1)
004      DATA C,G/-1.0,1.0/
005      A(1)=C*X(1)
006      B(1)=G*X(1)
007      DX(1)=A(1)*H+B(1)*R(1)
008      RETURN
009      END

```

TABLE 6

```

001      SUBROUTINE OUTP(T,X,WIENER)
002      DIMENSION X(1),WIENER(1)
003      WRITE(6,10)T,X(1),WIENER(1)
004      10 FORMAT(3F15.8)
005      RETURN
006      END

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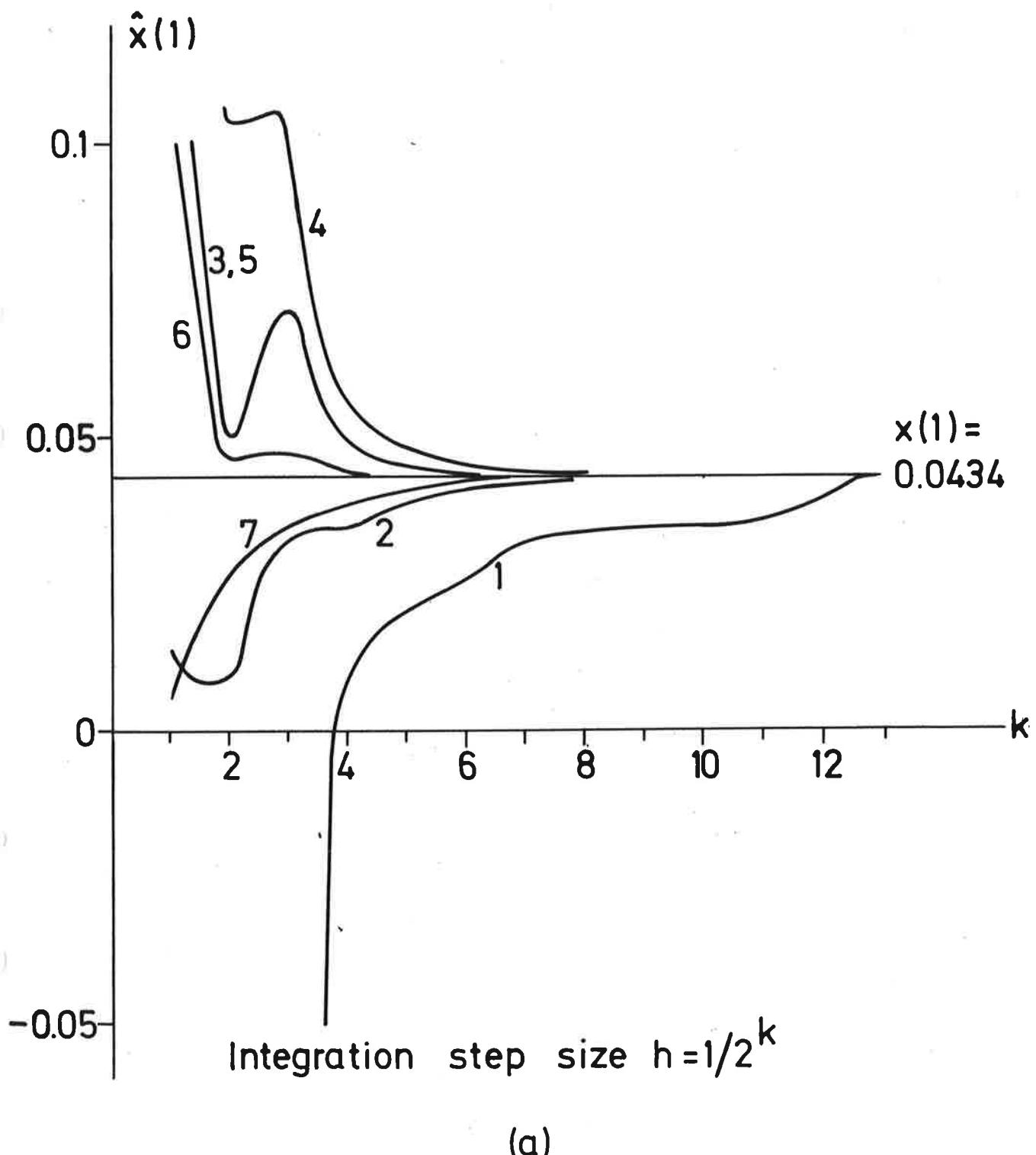


Fig. 4a. Equation (36)

- 1 - Euler method (5')
- 2 - modified Euler method (14)
- 3 - second approximation (15)
- 4 - standard Euler-Cauchy method applied to equation (17)
- 5 - Euler-Cauchy method analogues to (16)
- 6 - standard Runge-Kutta method applied to equation (17)
- 7 - Runge-Kutta method (16)

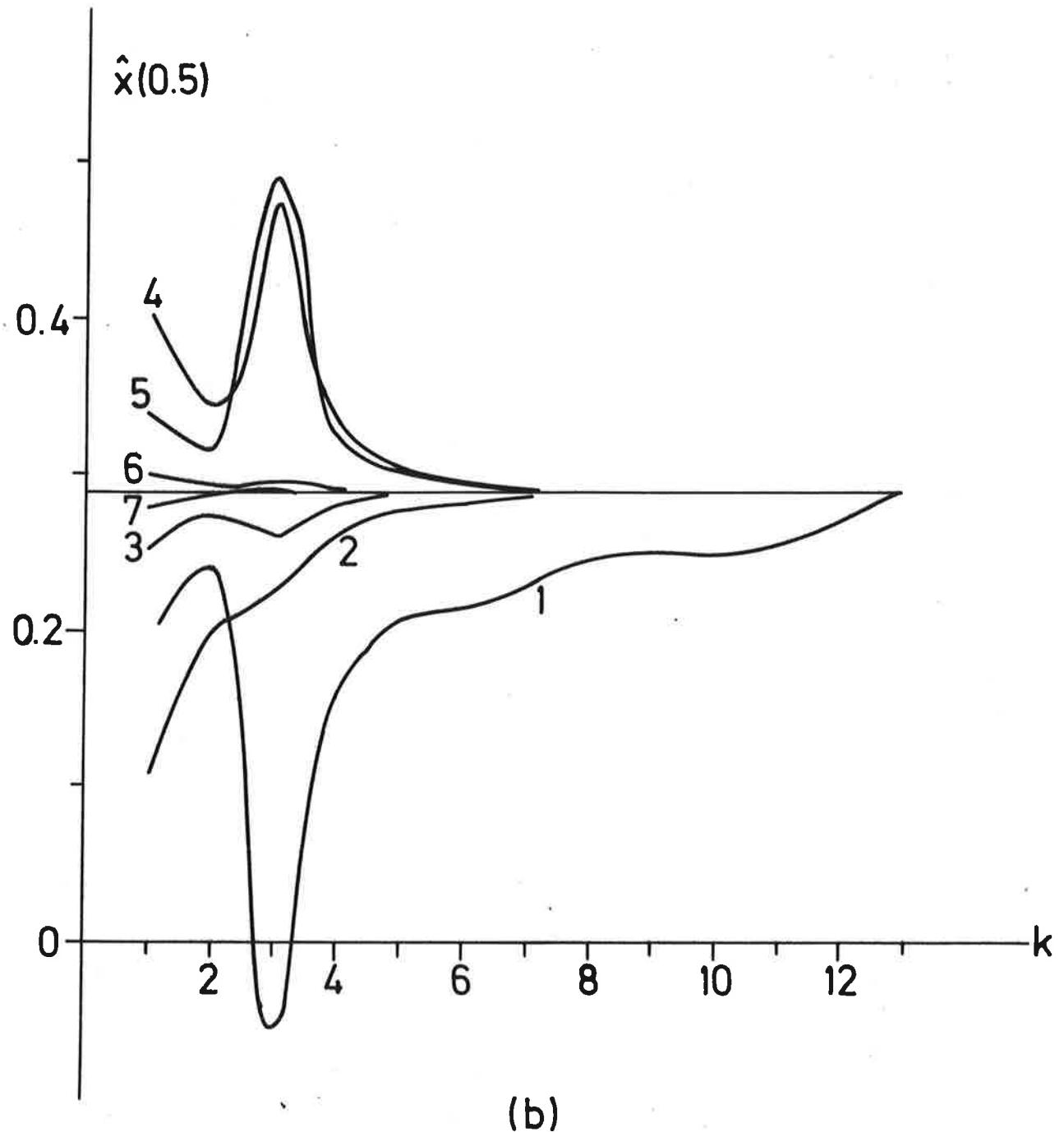


Fig. 4b. Equation $\frac{dx}{dt} = -\sin(x) + \sqrt{|x|} dw(t)$

- 4) standard Euler-Cauchy method (second-order R-K method) applied to equivalent Stratonovich equation (17)
- 5) Euler-Cauchy method analogues to (16)
- 6) standard Runge-Kutta method (18) applied to equivalent Stratonovich equation (17)
- 7) Runge-Kutta method (16).

Fig. 4a,b shows that the relative rates of convergence were as follows:

quickest	- Runge-Kutta methods (16), (18)
	- second approximation (15)
intermediate	- Euler-Cauchy methods
	- modified Euler method (14)
slowest	- Euler method (5').

Example 2. Let's find the Itô solution of equation (36) by the step variable fourth-order Runge-Kutta method (18) applied to equivalent Stratonovich equation (17)

$$dx(t) = (c - \frac{1}{2} g^2) x dt + gx dw(t). \quad (37)$$

The new main program and the subroutine SIDE are shown in Tables 7 and 8 accordingly. Subroutine OUTP is the same as in Example 1 (see Table 6).

Equation (36) has the analytical Itô solution

$$x(t) = x(0) \exp \left\{ (c - \frac{1}{2} g^2) t + gw(t) \right\}. \quad (38)$$

Hence it is possible to find the accuracy of numerical solution

$$\delta(t) = \left| \frac{x(t) - \hat{x}(t)}{x(t)} \right| \quad (39)$$

where $x(t)$ is the exact solution (38), $\hat{x}(t)$ is the numerical solution.

TABLE 7

```

001      C      PROGRAM MAIN
002      DIMENSION XI(1),W(11)
003      COMMON /OUT/ISTEP,METHOD
004      TMIN=0.0
005      TMAX=1.0
006      DP=(TMAX-TMIN)/100.0
007      TP1=DP
008      KMAX=15
009      K=10
010      KMIN=4
011      EPS=1.0E-06
012      ISTEP=1
013      METHOD=1
014      XI(1)=1.0
015      NX=1
016      NR=1
017      NU=65317
018      WRITE(6,1)TMIN,TMAX,EPS,TP1,DP,KMAX,KMIN,K,NX,NR,ISTEP,METHOD
019      1 FORMAT(5F11.8,7I8)
020      CALL STOCH(XI,TMIN,TMAX,NX,NR,EPS,K,KMAX,KMIN,ISTEP,METHOD,
021      1TP1,DP,NU,IS,W)
022      WRITE(6,100)IS
023      100 FORMAT(1I10)
024      STOP
025      END

```

TABLE 8

```

001      SUBROUTINE SIDE(T,H,X,R,DX)
002      DIMENSION X(1),DX(1),R(1)
003      DIMENSION A(1),B(1)
004      DATA C,G/-1.0,1.0/
005      A(1)=C*X(1)
006      B(1)=G*X(1)
007      DX(1)=(A(1)-0.5*G*G*X(1))*H+B(1)*R(1)
008      RETURN
009      END

```

In order to compare the accuracy of Euler and R-K schemes with constant and variable step lengths, Fig. 5 shows the accuracy δ (39) at time $t = 1$ as a function of number of steps. We can conclude that the R-K method with variable integration step length is the most available integration method for stochastic differential equations.

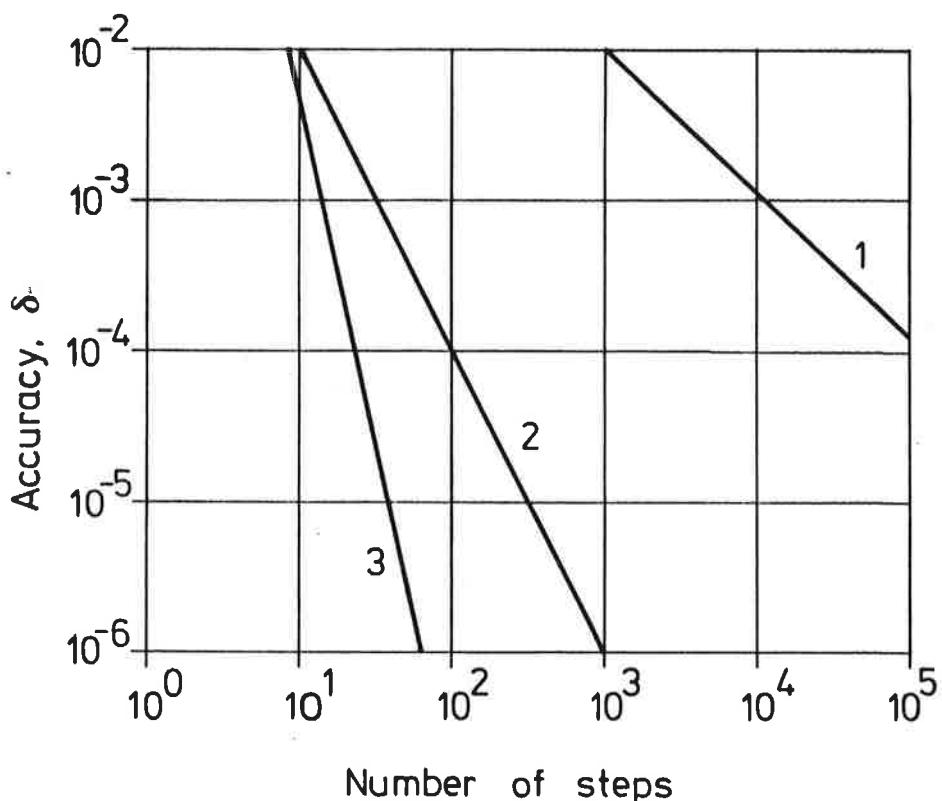


Fig. 5 - Accuracy of methods with constant and variable step size.

- 1 - Euler method with constant step length.
- 2 - Runge-Kutta method with constant step length.
- 3 - Runge-Kutta method with variable step length.

Example 3. Consider the system of two first-order stochastic differential equations

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx_1}{dt} = x_2 + b_1 \xi_1(t) \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} = v - x_2 - a x_1 e^{-x_1^2/L} + b_2(x_2) \xi_2(t) \end{cases} \quad (40)$$

where

$$b_2(x_2) = \frac{g \cdot a}{\tau} \frac{\frac{1+10}{5+10} \frac{x_2^2}{x_2^2}}{.}$$

The user routines to obtain Itô solution of (40) by constant step Euler method and to display results with IDPAC system are shown in Tables 9-11. The dialog on teletype is shown in Table 12. The displayed phase plane of system (40) is shown in Fig. 6.

Example 4. In article [8] second-order phase-lock loop differential equation was studied and it was discovered in practice that "the Euler integration is greatly superior to Runge-Kutta methods from a convergence-rate accuracy criterion". It is difficult to comment on such a statement as no mathematical expressions to the numerical schemes used was pointed out.

We consider that the Runge-Kutta methods (13), (16), (18) (and their multidimensional analogues) have better accuracy than the Euler method (5') or have, in some special examples [4, p.186], at least the same accuracy.

That's why we implement our computer program to simulate the phase-lock loop [8]:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx_1}{dt} = x_2, \\ \frac{dx_2}{dt} = -\sin(x_1) - \cos(x_1) \xi_1(t) - \sin(x_1) \xi_2(t) \end{cases} \quad (41)$$

TABLE 9

```

001      C PROGRAM MAIN
002      DIMENSION XI(2),W(22)
003      COMMON /PLOT/IP
004      TMIN=0.0
005      TMAX=1.0
006      NPR=1000
007      IP=NPR+1
008      DP=(TMAX-TMIN)/NPR
009      TP1=DP
010      KMAX=12
011      K=12
012      ISTEP=0
013      METHOD=0
014      XI(1)=-2.0
015      XI(2)=1.25
016      NX=2
017      NR=2
018      NU=65317
019      CALL OUTP(T,XI,W)
020      IP=0
021      WRITE(6,1)TMIN,TMAX,EPS,TP1,DP,KMAX,KMIN,K,NX,NR,ISTEP,METHOD
022      1 FORMAT(5F11.8,7I8)
023      CALL STOCH(XI,TMIN,TMAX,NX,NR,EPS,K,KMAX,KMIN,ISTEP,METHOD,
024      1TP1,DP,NU,IS,W)
025      WRITE(6,100)IS
026      100 FORMAT(I10)
027      IP=-1
028      CALL OUTP(T,XI,W)
029      STOP
030      END

```

TABLE 10

```

001      SUBROUTINE SIDE(T,H,X,R,DX)
002      DIMENSION X(1),DX(1),R(1)
003      DIMENSION A(2),B(2)
004      DATA G,V,AK,TAY,BB/0.3,1.25,5.0,0.5,0.4/
005      B(2)=BB
006      XX=X(1)*X(1)
007      X10=10.0*X(2)*X(2)
008      A(1)=X(2)
009      A(2)=(V-X(2)-AK*X(1)*EXP(-XX))/TAY
010      B(1)=G*AK/TAY*(1.0+X10)/(5.0+X10)
011      DX(1)=A(1)*H+B(2)*R(2)
012      DX(2)=A(2)*H+B(1)*R(1)
013      RETURN
014      END

```

TABLE 11

```

001 SUBROUTINE OUTP(T,X,WIENER)
002 DIMENSION X(1),WIENER(1),IT(10),FILN(2)
003 COMMON /PLOT/IP
004 DATA FILN(2)/4H BIN/
005 IF(IP)300,200,100
006 100 IT(1)=IP
007 IT(2)=3
008 IT(4)=0
009 IT(9)=0
010 WRITE(9,1000)
011 READ(8,1001)FILN(1)
012 CALL ENTER(1,FILN)
013 WRITE(1)IT
014 RETURN
015 1000 FORMAT(' ENTER FILE NAME')
016 1001 FORMAT(A5)
017 200 WRITE(1)T,X(1),X(2)
018 RETURN
019 300 CALL CLOSE(1)
020 RETURN
021 END

```

TABLE 12

\$FOR

FPF4X V3A000
>BL<MAINEND PASS1
FPF4X V3A000
>BL<SIDEDOS-15 UV3A000
\$A RK <NEW> -1

\$GLOAD

LOADER V3A000
><MAIN,SIDE,OUTP,STOCH,STH,STEPENTER FILE NAME
DATA

STOP 000000

DOS-15 YV3A999
\$A RK <PAC> -4/RK 3,4,5,7,15,16

\$BUFFS 5

\$E IDPAC

IDPAC V2D
>
PLOT 4 DATA(2)<DATA(3) -2 2

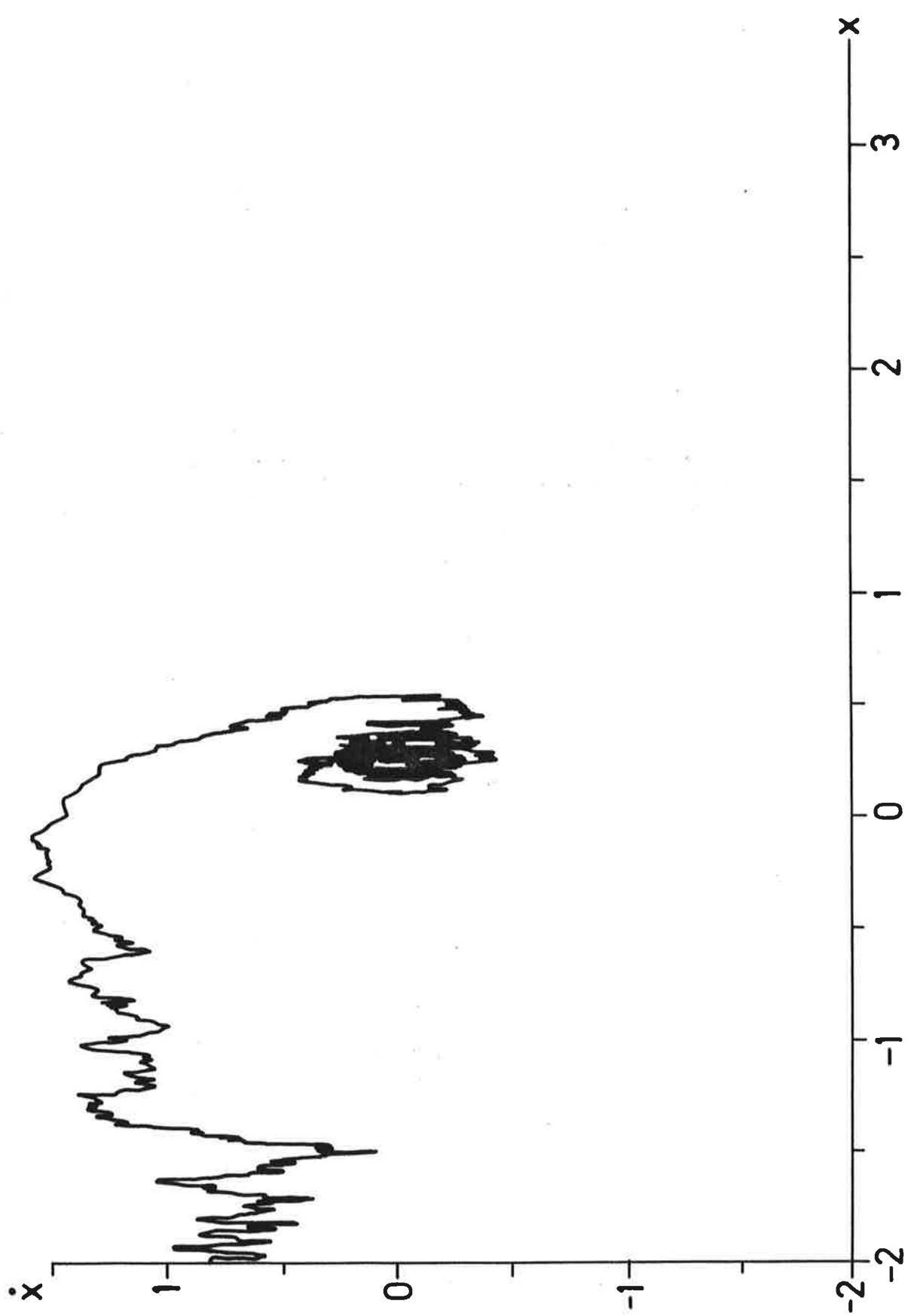


Fig. 6. Phase plane

where $\xi_1(t)$ and $\xi_2(t)$ are uncorrelated white random processes with unite spectral density.

In [8] is shown that equation (41) has the same Itô and Stratonovich solutions as the term (20) is equal to zero. So, we solve (41) with Euler (5') and Runge-Kutta (13) methods. Listings of user subroutines are shown in Tables 13-15. Results of simulation during time $t \in [0,1]$ and initial conditions $x_1(0) = \pi/4$, $x_2(0) = \pi/4$ with different integration step size $h = 1/2^K$, $K = 1, 2, \dots, 14$, are shown in Tables 16-17. The solutions $x_1(1)$, $x_2(1)$ as functions of parameter K are shown in Fig. 7 which proves that the Runge-Kutta method (13) has a higher rate of convergence than the Euler method (5').

TABLE 13

```

001      C      PROGRAM MAIN
002      DIMENSION XI(2),W(22)
003      TMIN=0.0
004      TMAX=1.0
005      DP=TMAX
006      TP1=DP
007      KMAX=14
008      ISTEP=0
009      METHOD=1
010      NX=2
011      NR=2
012      WRITE(6,33)
013      33 FORMAT(5X,19H RUNGE-KUTTA METHOD)
014      DO 1 K=1,KMAX
015      WRITE(6,22)K
016      22 FORMAT(16)
017      NU=65317
018      XI(1)=0.785
019      XI(2)=0.785
020      CALL STOCH(XI,TMIN,TMAX,NX,NR,EPS,K,KMAX,KMIN,ISTEP,METHOD,
021      1TP1,DP,NU,IS,W)
022      1 CONTINUE
023      STOP
024      END

```

TABLE 14

```

001      SUBROUTINE SIDE(T,H,X,R,DX)
002      DIMENSION X(1),DX(1),R(1)
003      DIMENSION A(2)
004      S=SIN(X(1))
005      C=COS(X(1))
006      A(1)=X(2)
007      A(2)=-S
008      B=C*R(1)+S*R(2)
009      DX(1)=A(1)*H
010      DX(2)=A(2)*H-B
011      RETURN
012      END

```

TABLE 15

```

001      SUBROUTINE OUTP(T,X,WIENER)
002      DIMENSION X(1),WIENER(1)
003      WRITE(6,1)T,X(1),X(2)
004      1 FORMAT(3F18.10)
005      RETURN
006      END

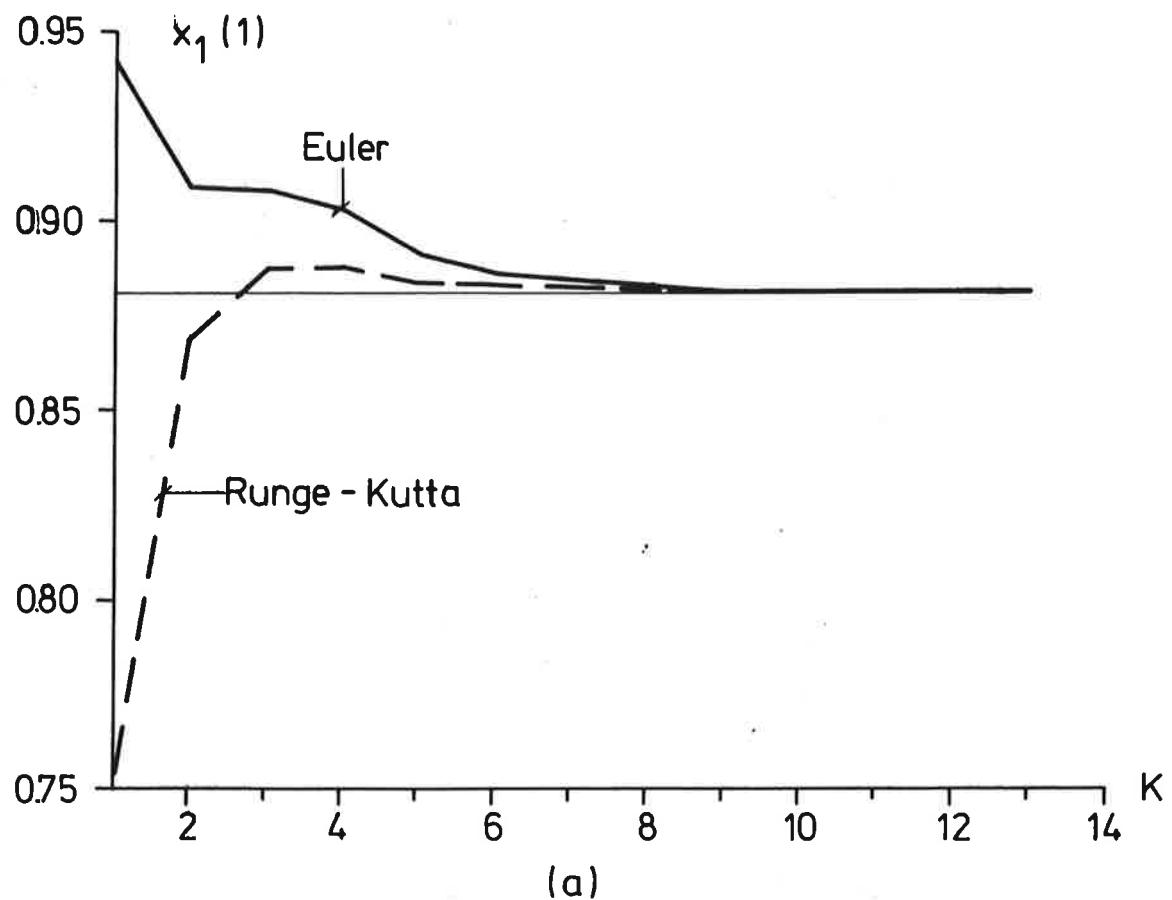
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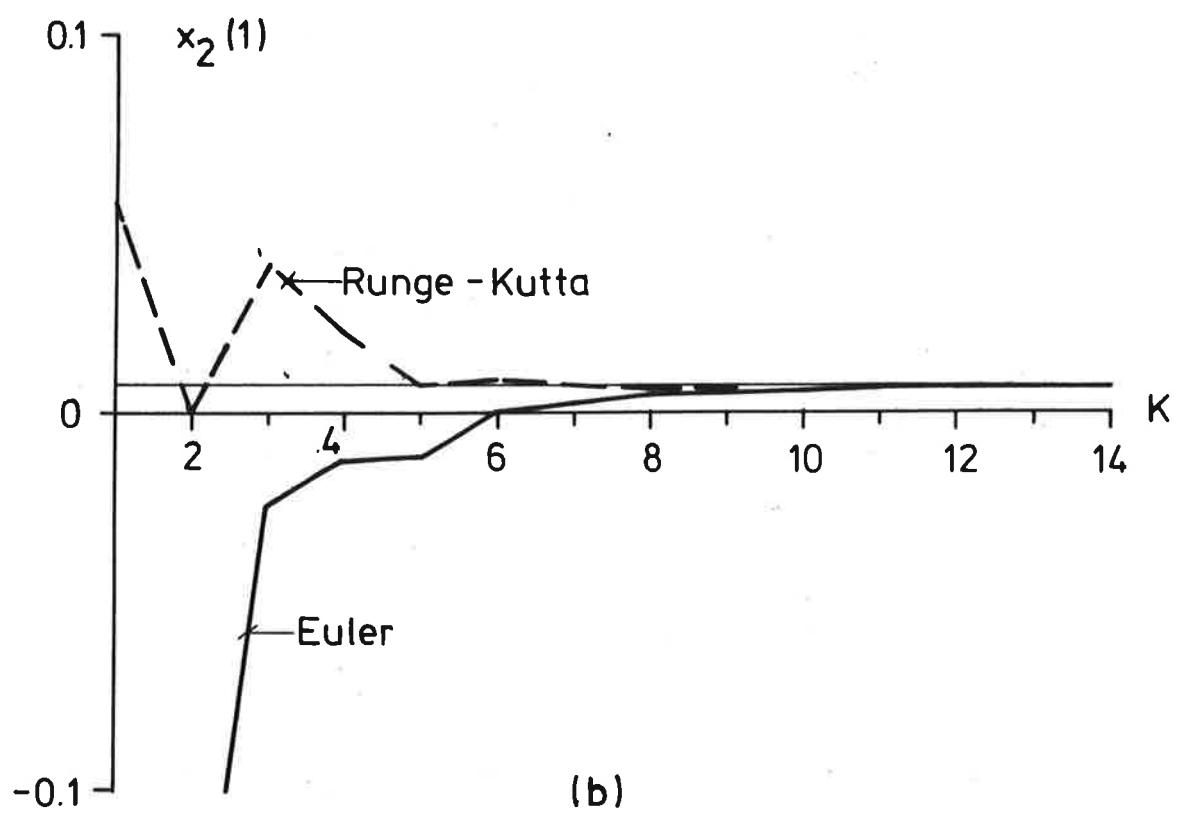
RUNGE-KUTTA METHOD			
K=1	t	x ₁	x ₂
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.7559317946	0.0567011535
2	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8679136485	0.0010905191
3	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8875938505	0.0400029011
4	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8886059821	0.0224689320
5	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8837629259	0.0077346563
6	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8835852146	0.0092189689
7	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8829277456	0.0078043751
8	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8827768266	0.0072949543
9	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8813270479	0.0067779524
10	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8813672960	0.0066111484
11	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8814257830	0.0067376704
12	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8814252317	0.0067664690
13	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8814192563	0.0067955683
14	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8814185113	0.0067782488

TABLE 17

EULER METHOD		x_1	x_2
K=1	t		
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.9426864088	-0.4416966140
2			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.9193312973	-0.1712644026
3			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.9185541421	-0.0245606415
4			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.9033740759	-0.0134939626
5			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8915344328	-0.0119556952
6			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8868568391	-0.0003889427
7			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8847047687	0.0031411243
8			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8837036937	0.0050881854
9			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8817466199	0.0055904603
10			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8815876842	0.0060214628
11			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8815371841	0.0064465657
12			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8814813346	0.0066198139
13			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8814466149	0.0067221449
14			
	0.0000000000	0.7849999964	0.7849999964
	1.0000000000	0.8814319670	0.0067414588



(a)



(b)

Fig. 7. Phase-lock loop (41)

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9. APPENDIX

Iterative solution of the n-dimensional Itô stochastic differential equation (19) provides the next difference scheme, similar to the one-dimensional scheme (15) :

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_i(t) = & x_i(t_0) + a_i \Delta t + \sum_{j=1}^m b_{ij} \Delta w_j(t_0) + \\
 & + \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{\ell=1}^m \frac{\partial b_{ij}}{\partial x_k} b_{k\ell} \eta_{\ell j}(t_0) + \frac{\Delta t}{2} \sum_{j=1}^m \left(\frac{\partial b_{ij}}{\partial t} + \right. \\
 & \left. + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial a_i}{\partial x_k} b_{kj} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial b_{ij}}{\partial x_k} a_k \right) \Delta w_j(t_0) + \\
 & + \left(\frac{\partial a_i}{\partial t} + \sum_{k=1}^n a_k \frac{\partial a_i}{\partial x_k} \right) \frac{(\Delta t)^2}{2}
 \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

where $\Delta w_j(t_0) = w_j(t) - w_j(t_0)$,

$$\eta_{\ell j}(t_0) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} [(\Delta w_j(t_0))^2 - \Delta t], & \ell = j, \\ \frac{1}{2} \Delta w_\ell(t_0) \Delta w_j(t_0), & \ell \neq j. \end{cases} \tag{42}$$

Algorithm (41) is not used in our routine. We have published it, as expression (41) is more general than expressions (15) and (23) in [14]. Our scheme (41) provides not only sample moments convergence as (15) and (23) in [14], but also the sample path convergence. Besides expression (23) in [14] contains some misprints and expression (15) in [14] doesn't consider the correlation between dependent random variables Z_{1n} and Z_{2n} . Such a correlation is taken into account in scheme (3.2) in [6] but this algorithm is implementable only for the one-dimension case (and provides only sample moments convergence).

In order to obtain the Stratonovich solution of equation (19) by means of (41) it is necessary to replace expression (42) by

$$\eta_{\ell j}(t_0) = \frac{1}{2} \Delta w_\ell(t_0) \cdot \Delta w_j(t_0). \quad (42)$$