

Metastable and interface dynamics for the hyperbolic Jin-Xin system in one space dimension

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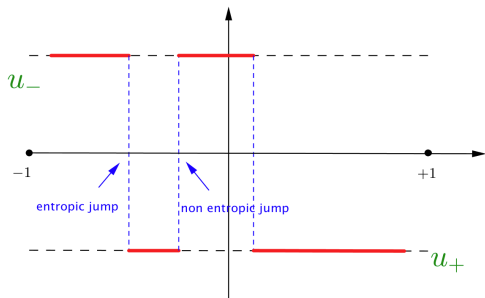
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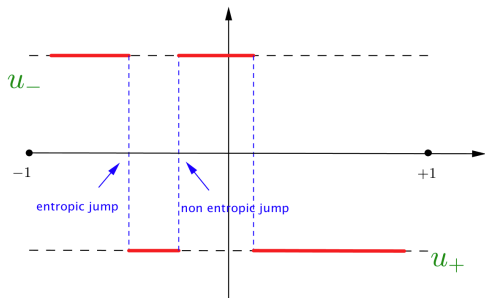
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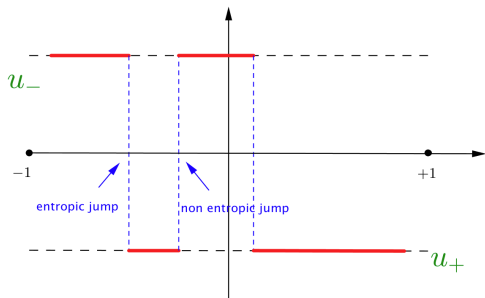
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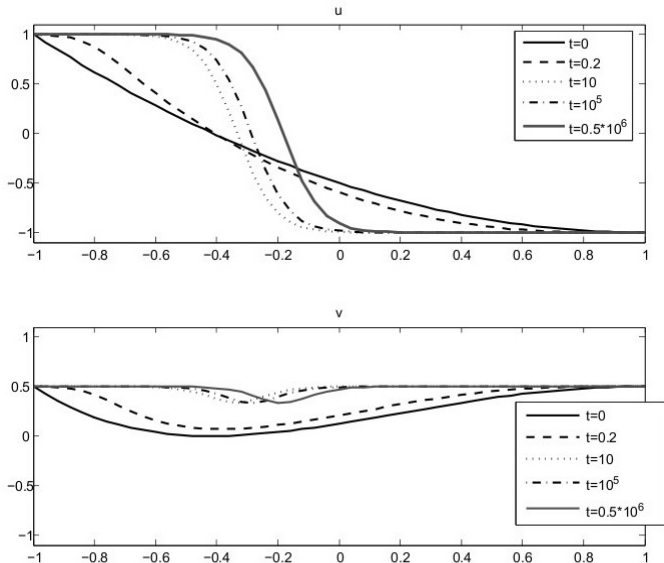


Figure: Profiles of (u, v) , solutions to (1), with $f(u) = u^2/2$, $a = 1$, $\varepsilon = 0.04$ and $u_{\pm} = \mp 1$. The initial data is given by the couple $(u_0(x), f(u_0(x)))$, with $u_0(x)$ a decreasing function connecting u_+ and u_- .

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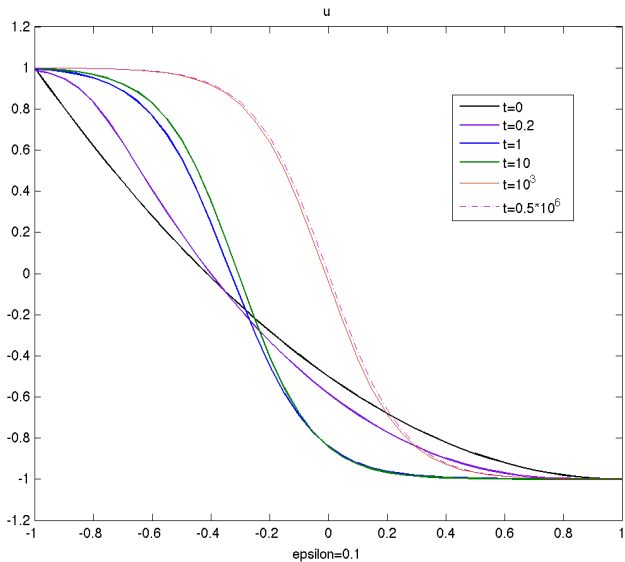
Slow motion for the shock layer-Numerical computations

This is a table containing the values of the different locations of the shock layer obtained numerically for different values of the parameter ε .

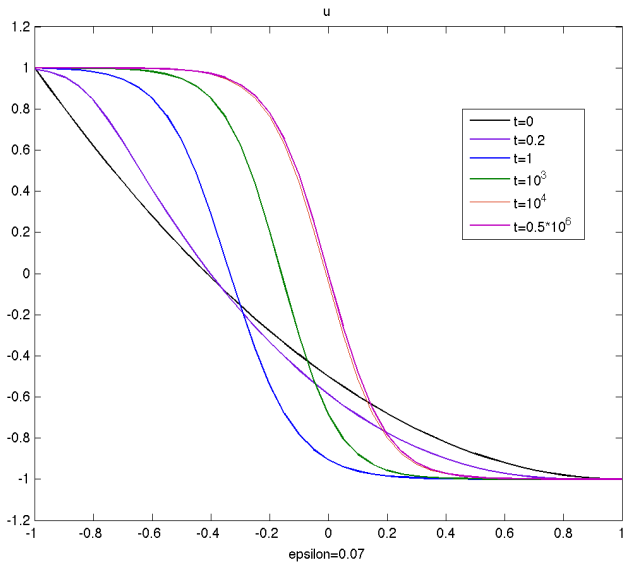
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1	-0.3314	-0.3345	-0.3360	-0.3374	-0.3389
10	-0.3070	-0.3263	-0.3304	-0.3320	-0.3326
10^3	-0.0103	-0.1600	-0.2562	-0.3181	-0.3325
10^4	$\sim -10^{-12}$	-0.0084	-0.1115	-0.2531	-0.3320
$0.5 * 10^6$	$\sim -10^{-12}$	$\sim -10^{-11}$	$\sim -10^{-10}$	-0.0379	-0.3099

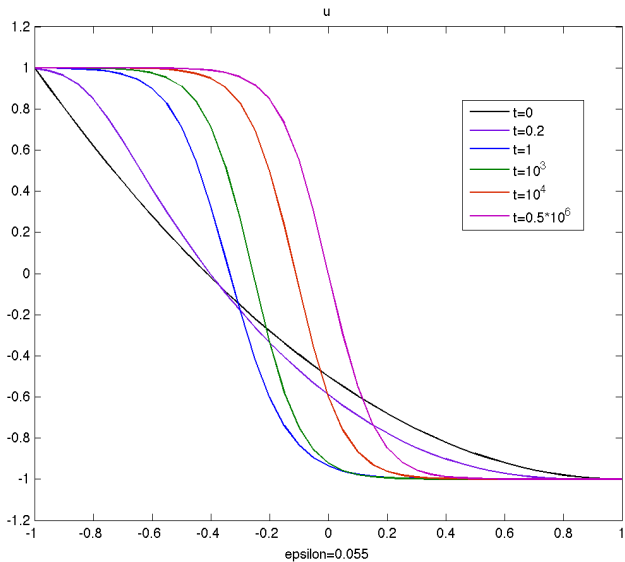
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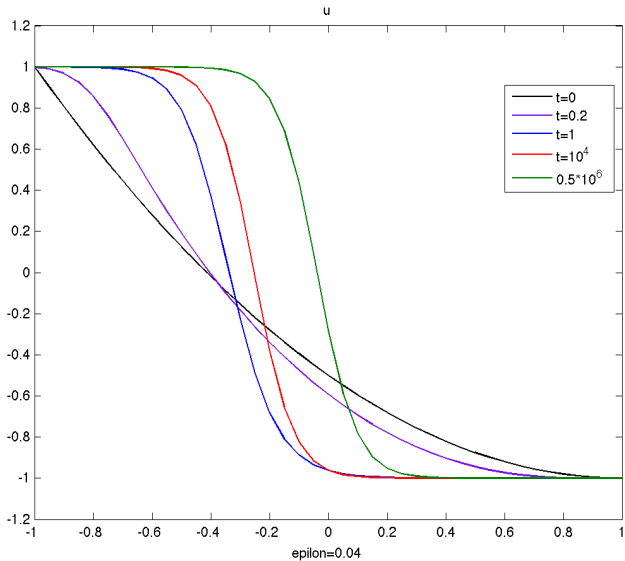
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