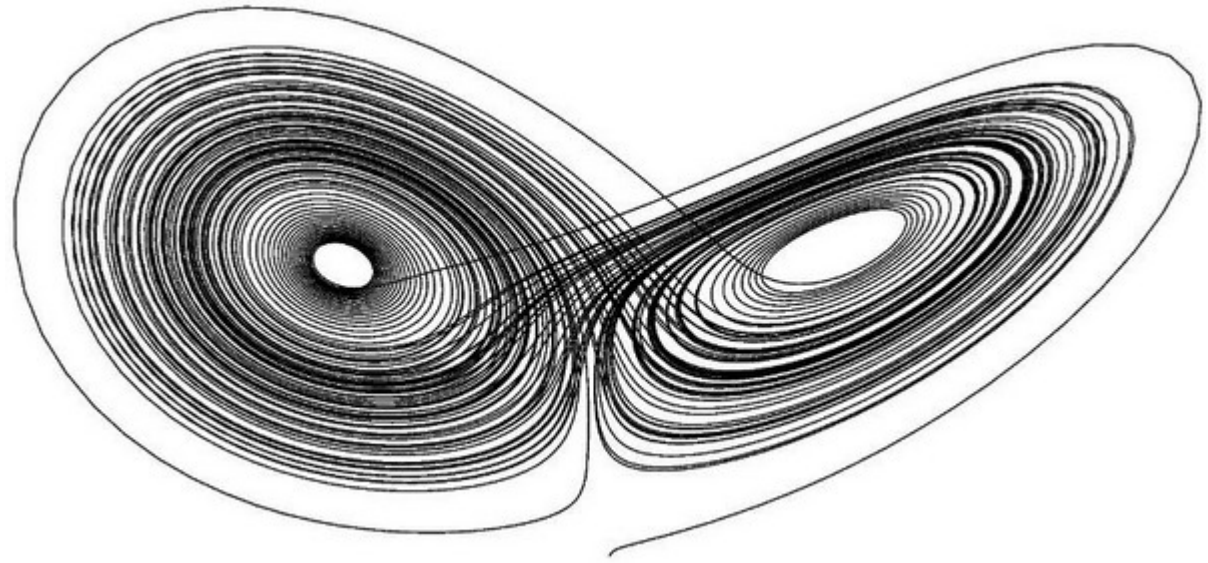


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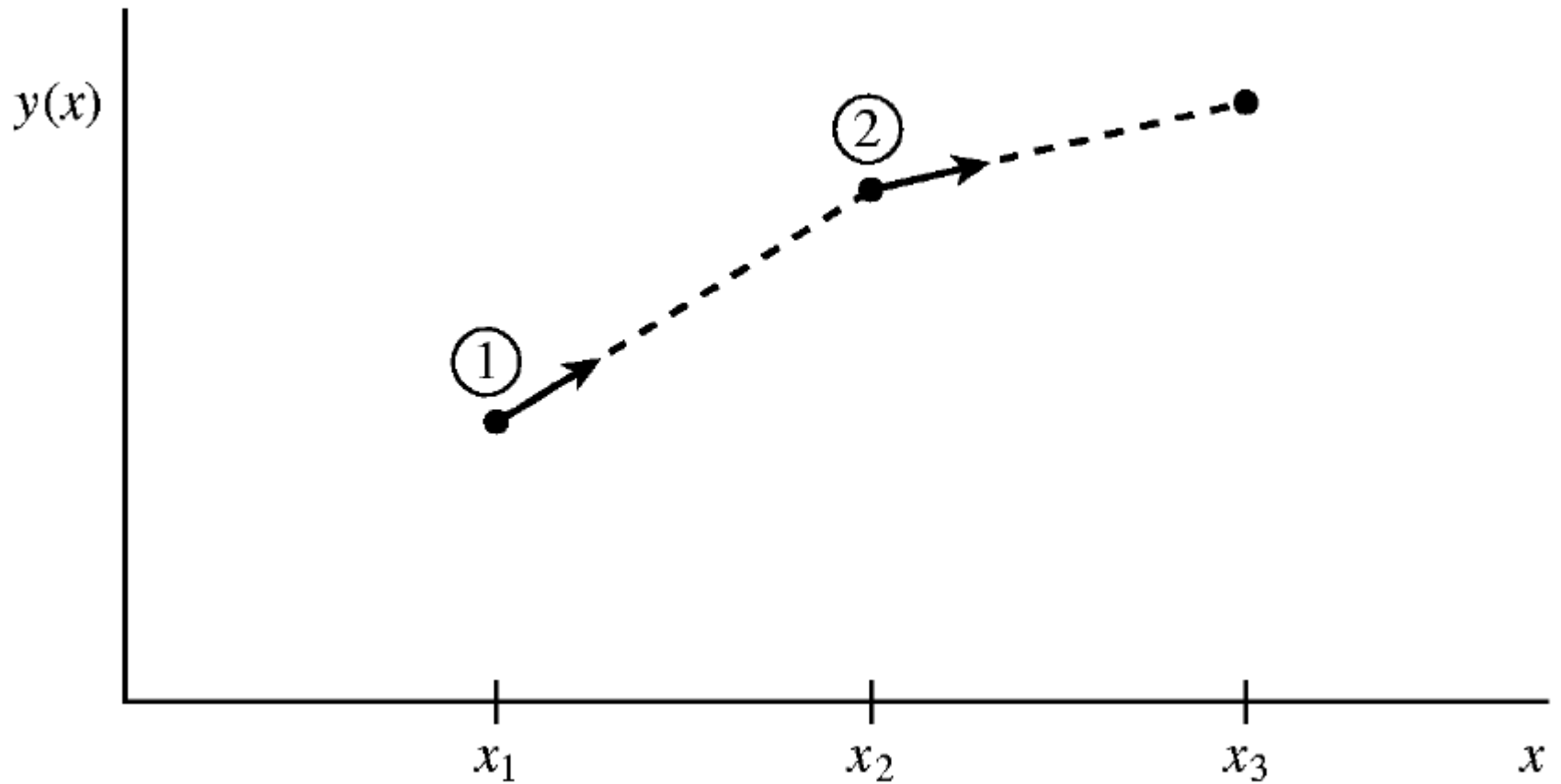


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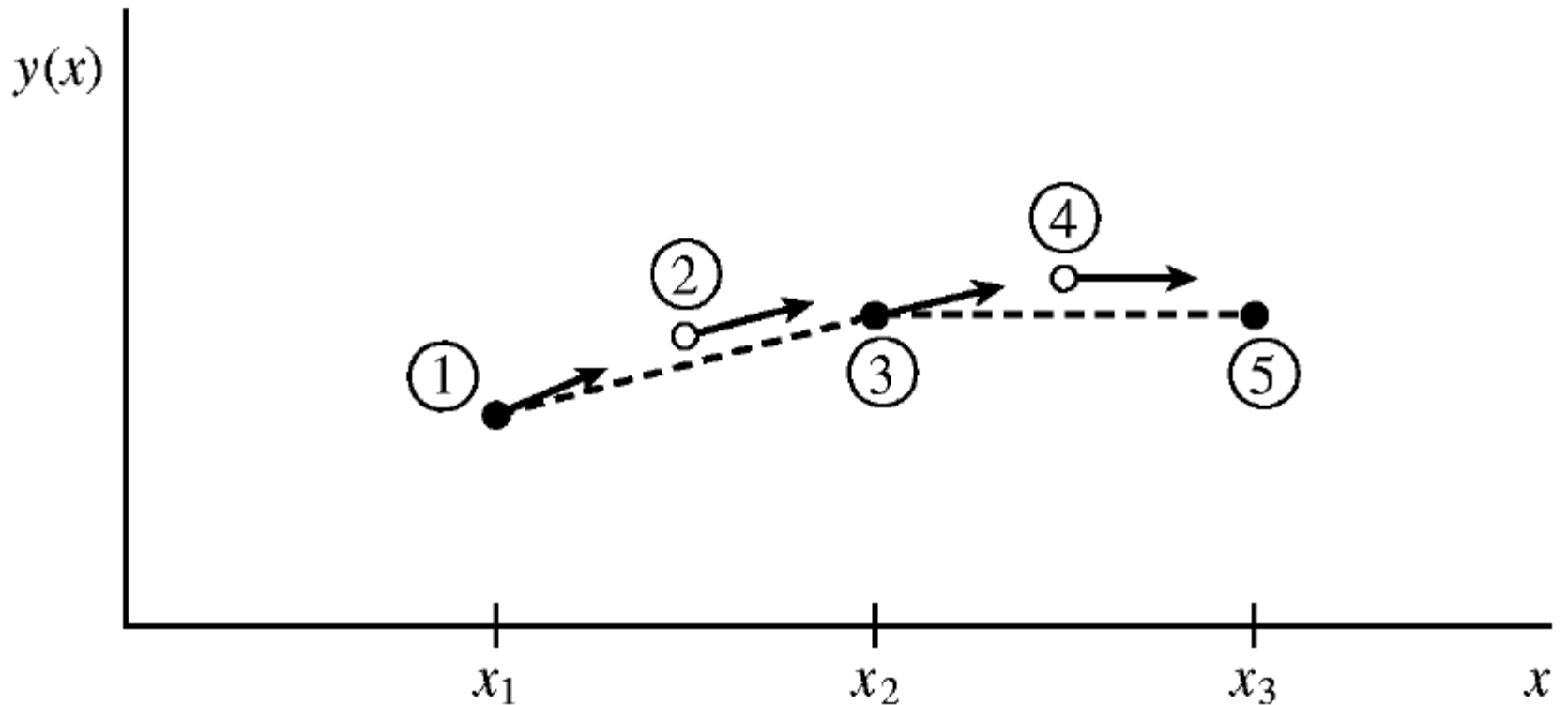
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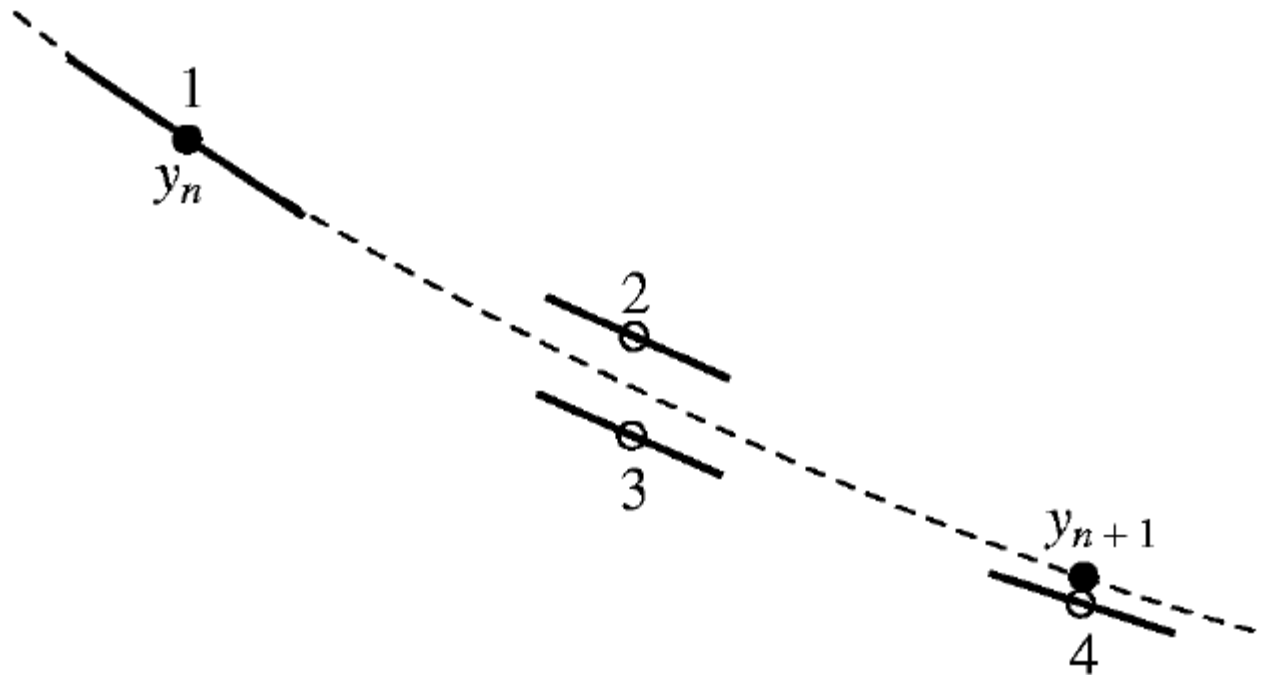
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2nd Order Runge-Kutta Algorithm (~1900)



4th Order Runge-Kutta Algorithm (~1900)

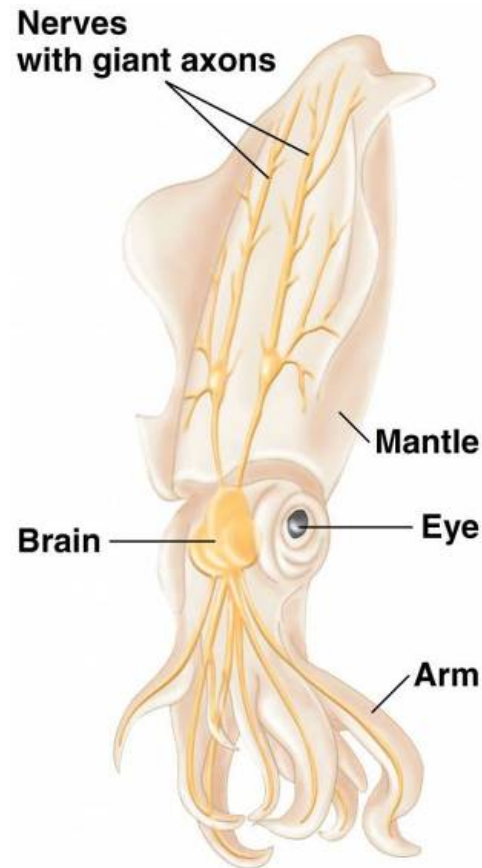
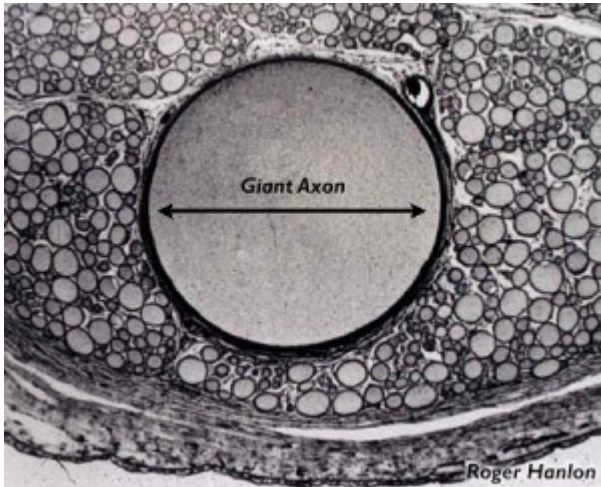


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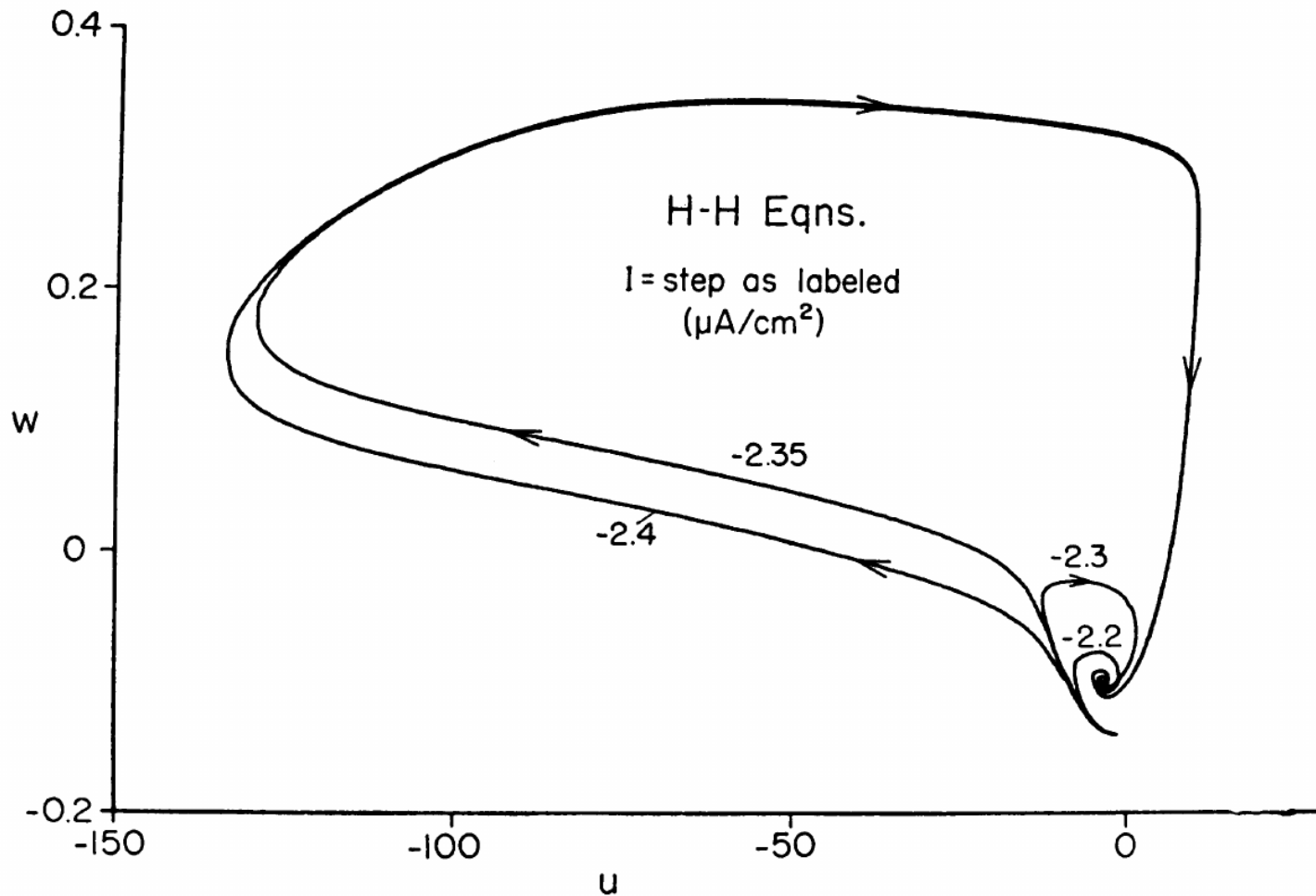
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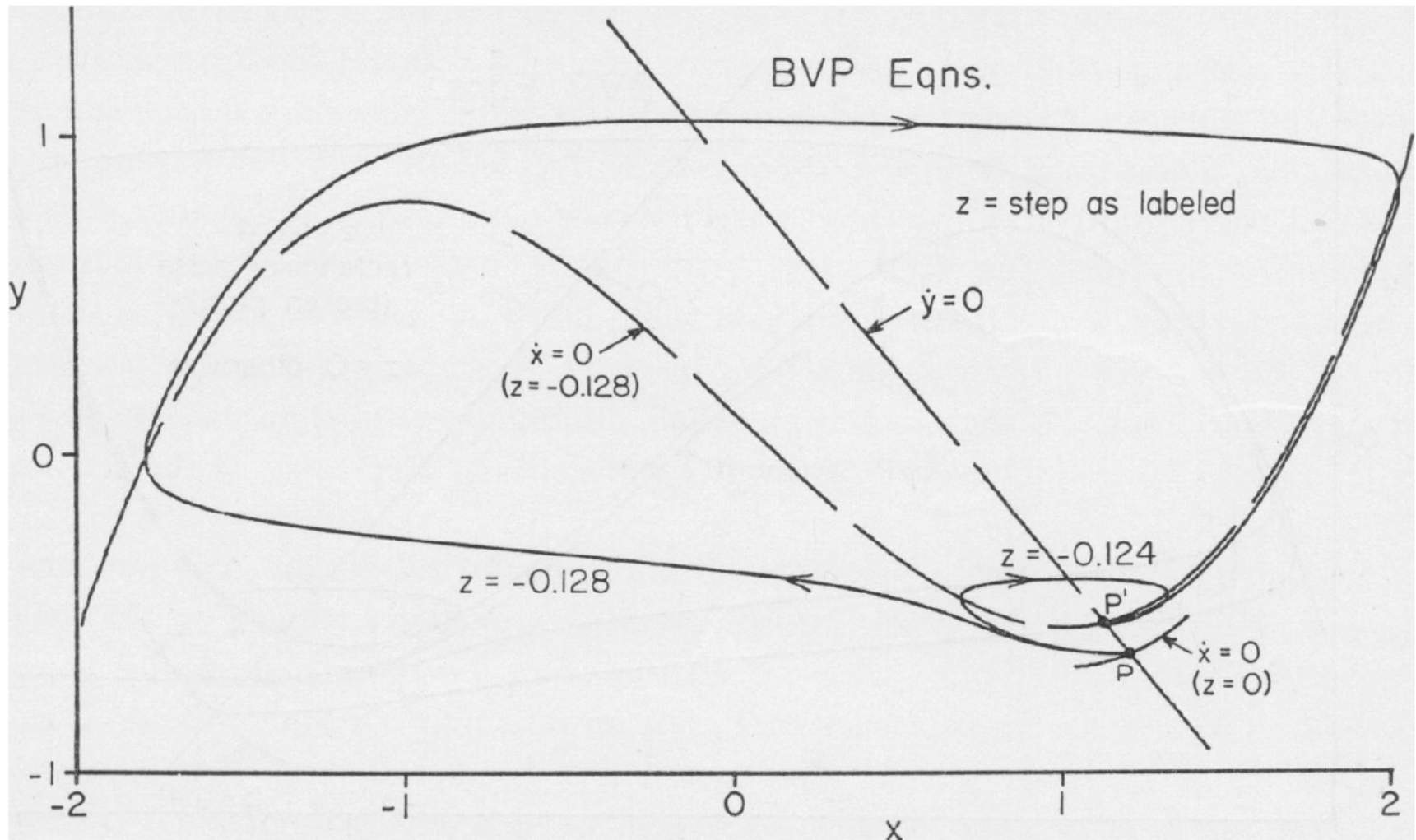


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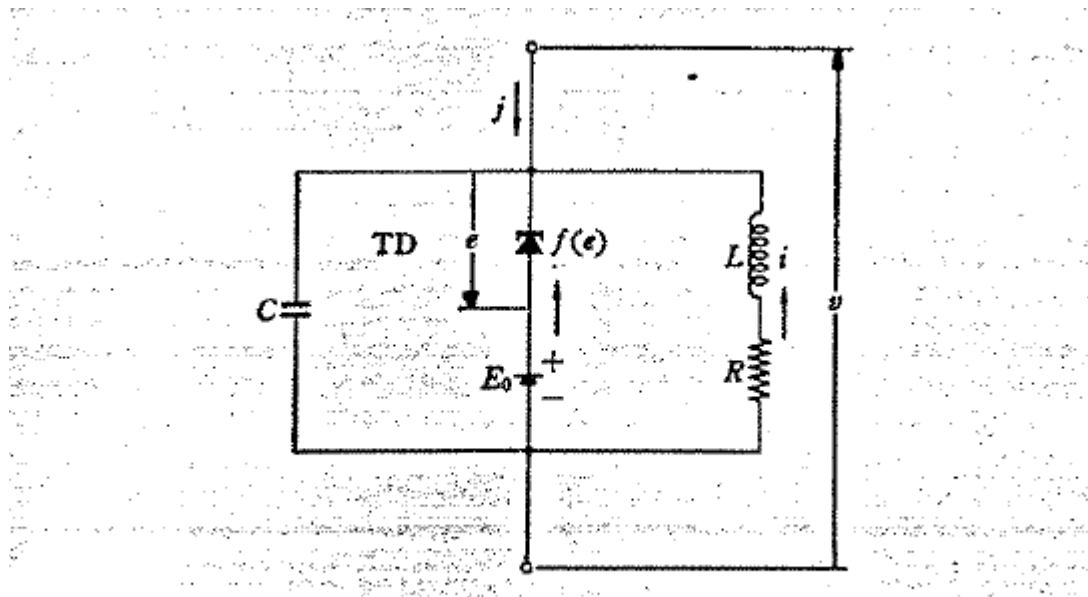


Fig. 2—An electronic simulator of the BVP model.

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Homework

Appearance of a stable limit cycle in the FitzHugh-Nagumo model (“Hopf bifurcation”):

show numerically that the critical point is $\alpha_0 = -\varepsilon \cdot \gamma$

- write a small Matlab script to ramp up the parameter α of the FitzHugh-Nagumo model ($\varepsilon = 0.008$, $\gamma = 1.5$, $v_{eq} = 0$)
- integrate the differential equation numerically and neglect the transient (be wasteful here!)
- plot the extrema of the v coordinate
- plot example trajectories below and above the bifurcation

Homework

