

High order methods for the monodomain model

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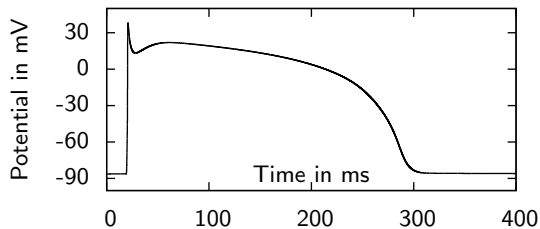
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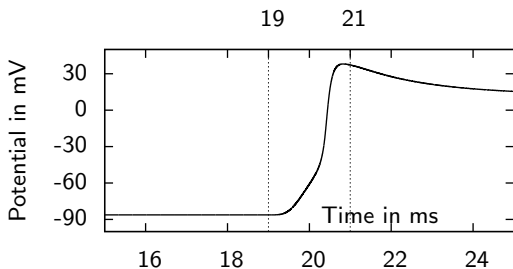


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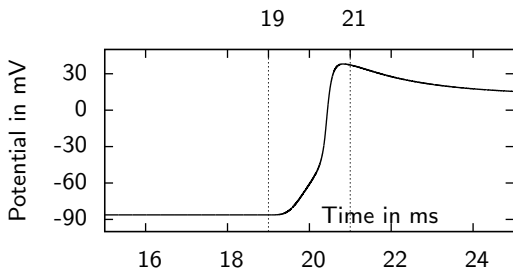


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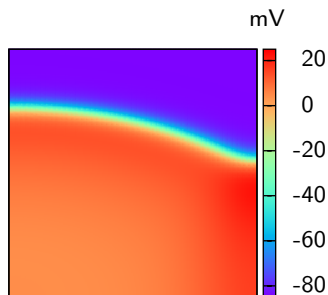
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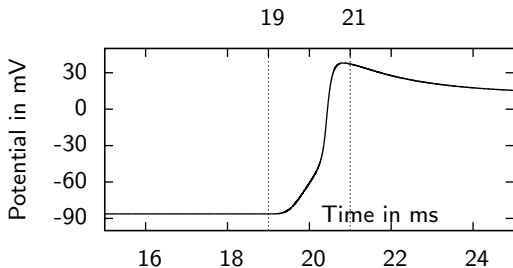
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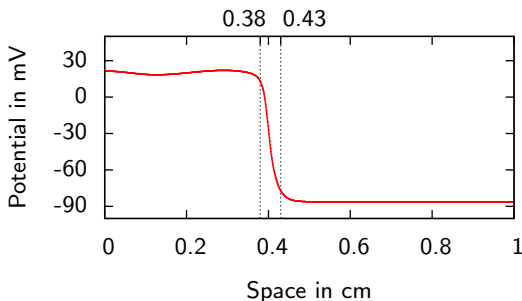
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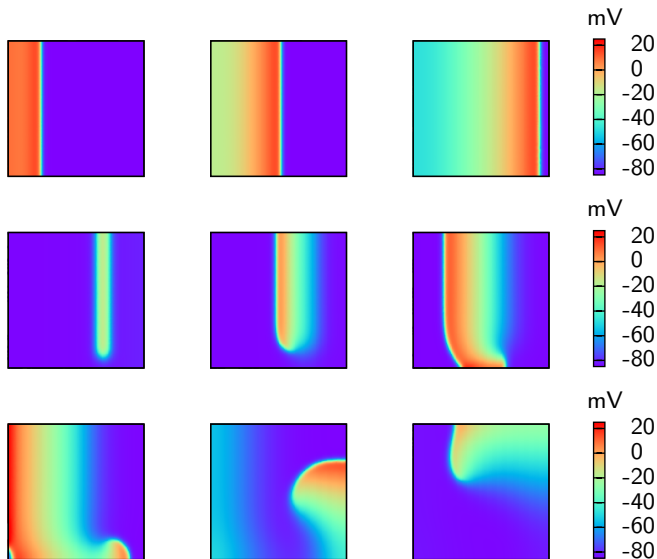


Sharp wavefronts

- TNNP model
- $A_m = 1000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

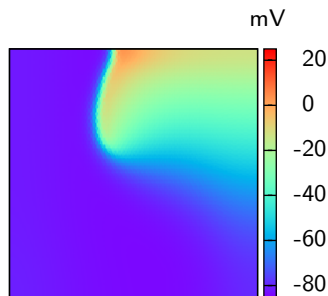
Wavefront thickness:
 $\approx 1/20$ cm

Spiral wave: description



Spiral wave: discretisation error

At a fixed time instant: $t = 160$ ms



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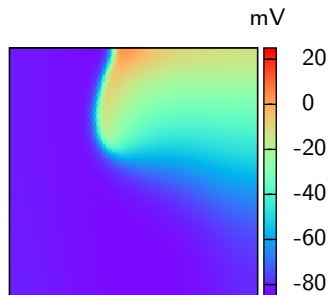
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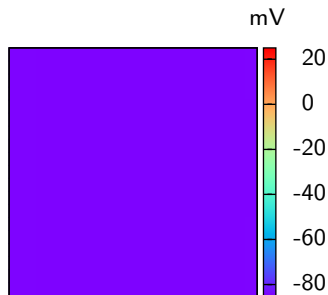
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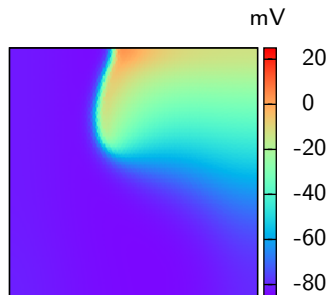
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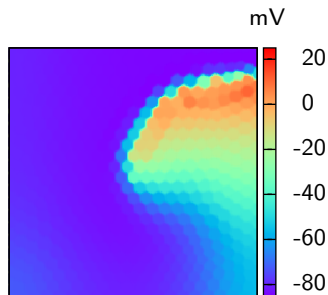
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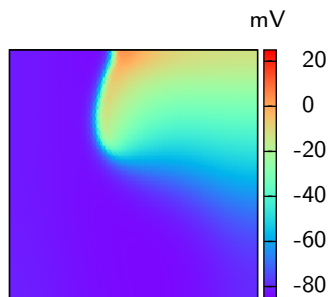
- $\Delta t = 0.1/16$ ms

Discretization error: **40 %**

- CPU $\simeq 6.0$ s

Spiral wave: discretisation error

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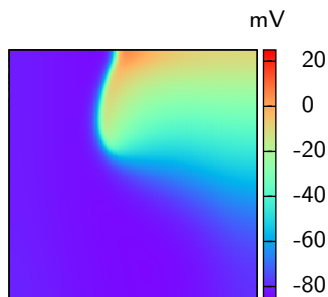
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Order 3 time stepping-method

- $\Delta t = 0.1$ ms

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Order 1 finite elements

- $\Delta x = 0.6/8$ mm $\simeq 75$ μ m

Order 1 time stepping-method

- $\Delta t = 0.1 / 16$ ms

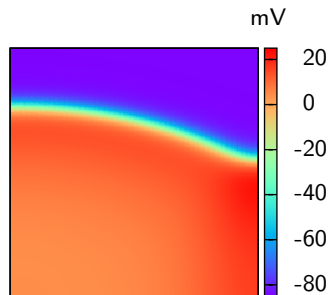
Discretization error: **2.5 %**

- CPU $\simeq 215$ s

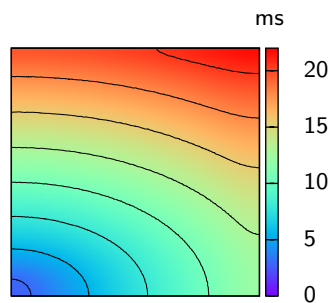
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What error ?

- Mathematical errors
- *Physiological errors* : errors on activation times
errors on the wavefront celerity



Potential at time $t = 16$ ms



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Total discretization error:

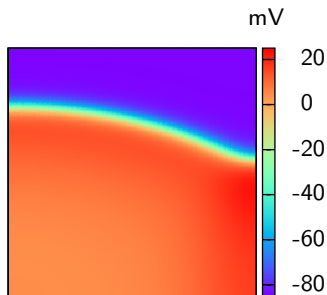
- total error \leq (error in space) + (error in time)

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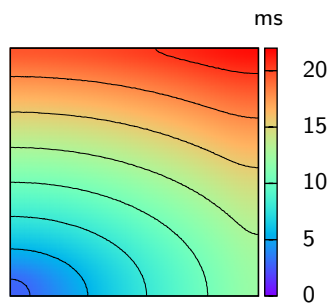
- 1 Discretization error in space
- 2 Time-stepping methods

Test case

- square geometry (1 cm²)
- constant anisotropy (horizontal fibres)
- Beeler-Reuter model
- $A_m = 500 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- single-site stimulation (at the origin)



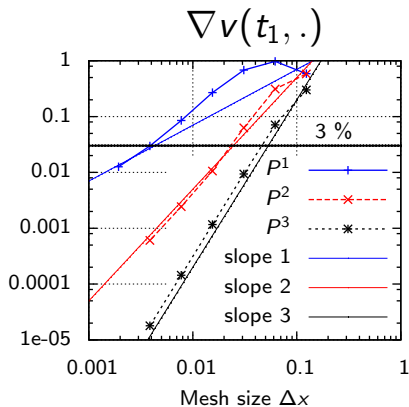
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Activation times

Discretization error in space, 1

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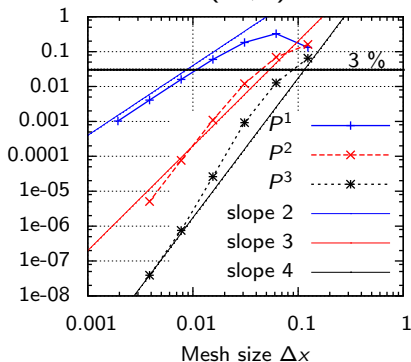
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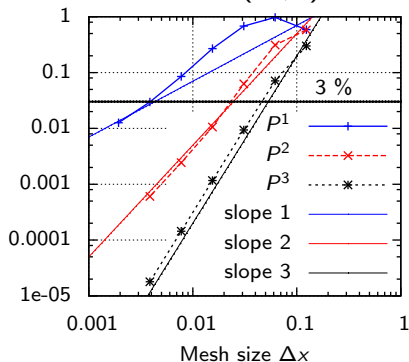
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$\nabla v(t_1, \cdot)$



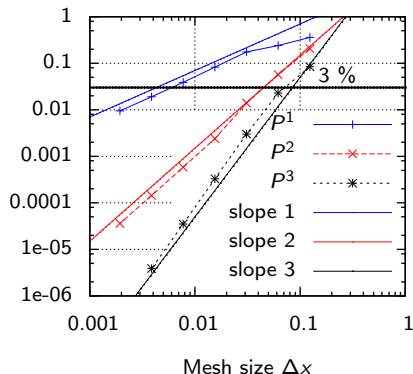
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Discretization error in space, 2

Relative error (in L^2 -norm) on:

wavefront velocity

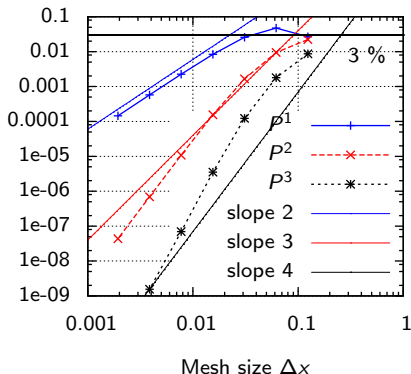


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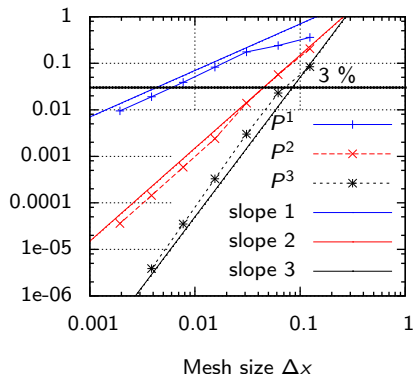
Relative error (in L^2 -norm) on:

activation times



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Discretization error in space, 3

Maximal mesh size

to have a discretization error in space

below 3%

| Error type: | $v(t_1, \cdot)$ | $\nabla v(t_1, \cdot)$ | act. times | wave speed |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------|--------------------|
| p^1 | 0.01 | 4×10^{-3} | 0.03 | 6×10^{-3} |
| p^2 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.1 | 0.04 |
| p^3 | 0.09 | 0.04 | 0.2 | 0.07 |

Conclusion

- From order 1 to order 2: **4 time coarser mesh**
- From order 1 to order 3: **8 time coarser mesh**

Time-stepping

Equation for the gating variables w :

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$$\beta_n = b(v_n, w_n) := b_n$$

Rush-Larsen (1978): order 1.

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Perego-Veneziani (2009): order 2.

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Coudière-Lontsi-Pierre (2017): order 3.

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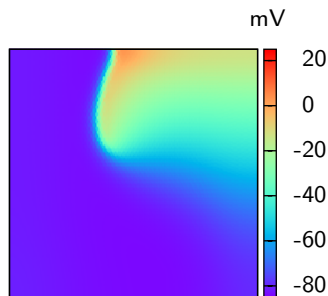
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Coudière-Lontsi-Pierre (2017): order 4.

Spiral wave test case

- Total error in space = 4.3 %



- Beeler Reuter model (modified)
- $A_m = 600 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- Order 2 finite elements:
 $\Delta x = 0.6 \text{ mm}$

Spiral wave test case

- Total error in space = 4.3 %
- Total discretization error with order k Rush-Larsen like scheme:

| Order k : | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|-----------------------|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| $\Delta t = 0.1$ ms | – | 18 % | 5.1 % | – |
| $\Delta t = 0.1/2$ ms | – | 8.3 % | 4.4 % | 4.2 % |
| $\Delta t = 0.1/4$ ms | 23 % | 5.3 % | 4.3 % | 4.3 % |
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- Required CPU to have an error $\simeq 5$ %

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| CPU | 27 | 3.75 | 1 | 2.05 |

Future developments

More realistic test cases:

- complex domains with curved boundaries,
- 3D geometry.

Time stepping methods:

- improved stability,
- one-step methods.

