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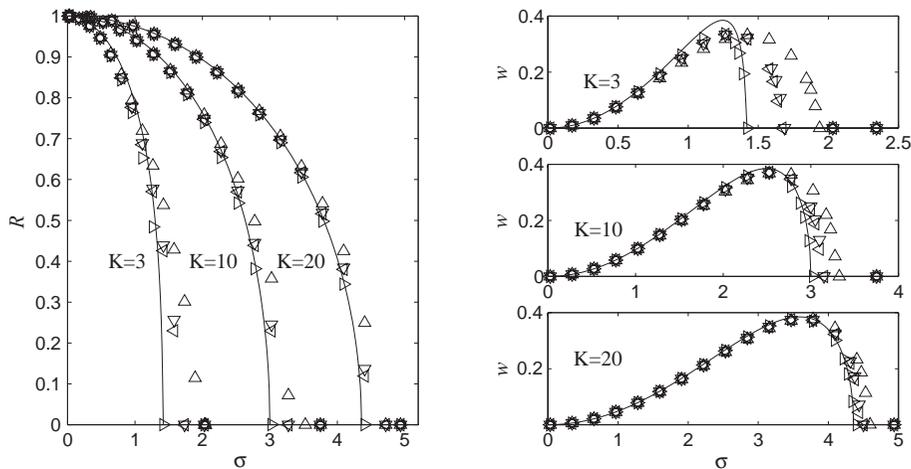


Fig. 1 – The estimated values for the amplitude of the oscillations of the centroid  $Z$  and of the second-order parameter  $W$  (eq. (7)) vs. the standard deviation  $\sigma$  (solid lines) are compared to those numerically computed according to eq. (1). Populations with different size and frequency distribution are considered:  $N = 800$ , Gaussian distribution ( $\Delta$ );  $N = 800$  uniform distribution ( $\nabla$ );  $N = 5$ , uniform distribution ( $\triangleleft$ );  $N = 2$  ( $\triangleright$ ).

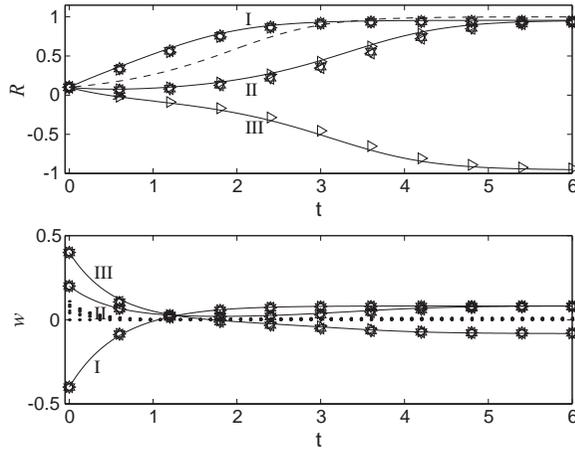


Fig. 3 – The transient behaviour predicted by eq. (5) (solid line) is compared to that of the full system eq. (1) (triangles) and of its zeroth-order approximation eq. (3) (dashed line) for  $\sigma = 0.5$  and  $K = 3$ . The initial states have the same centroid's position  $|Z|$ , but different  $|W|$  (symbols as in fig. 1). The validity of the closure assumption can be checked also numerically by noticing that the term  $|\langle(\omega - \omega_0)^2 \epsilon\rangle|$  (dotted line) remains significantly smaller than  $|W|$  along the whole trajectory.