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Modified differential equations

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Program of the talk

Extending and combining the ideas of two well-established theories

- backward error analysis (modified equations),
- Hamilton–Jacobi theory (generating functions),

we derive new, efficient integrators

- preprocessed vector field integrators

for rigid body simulations.

1. Backward error analysis

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Origin and references

Numerical linear algebra

Wilkinson 1960, Turing award 1970

Numerical ordinary differential equations

formal considerations

Ruth 1983, Gladman, Duncan & Candy 1991,

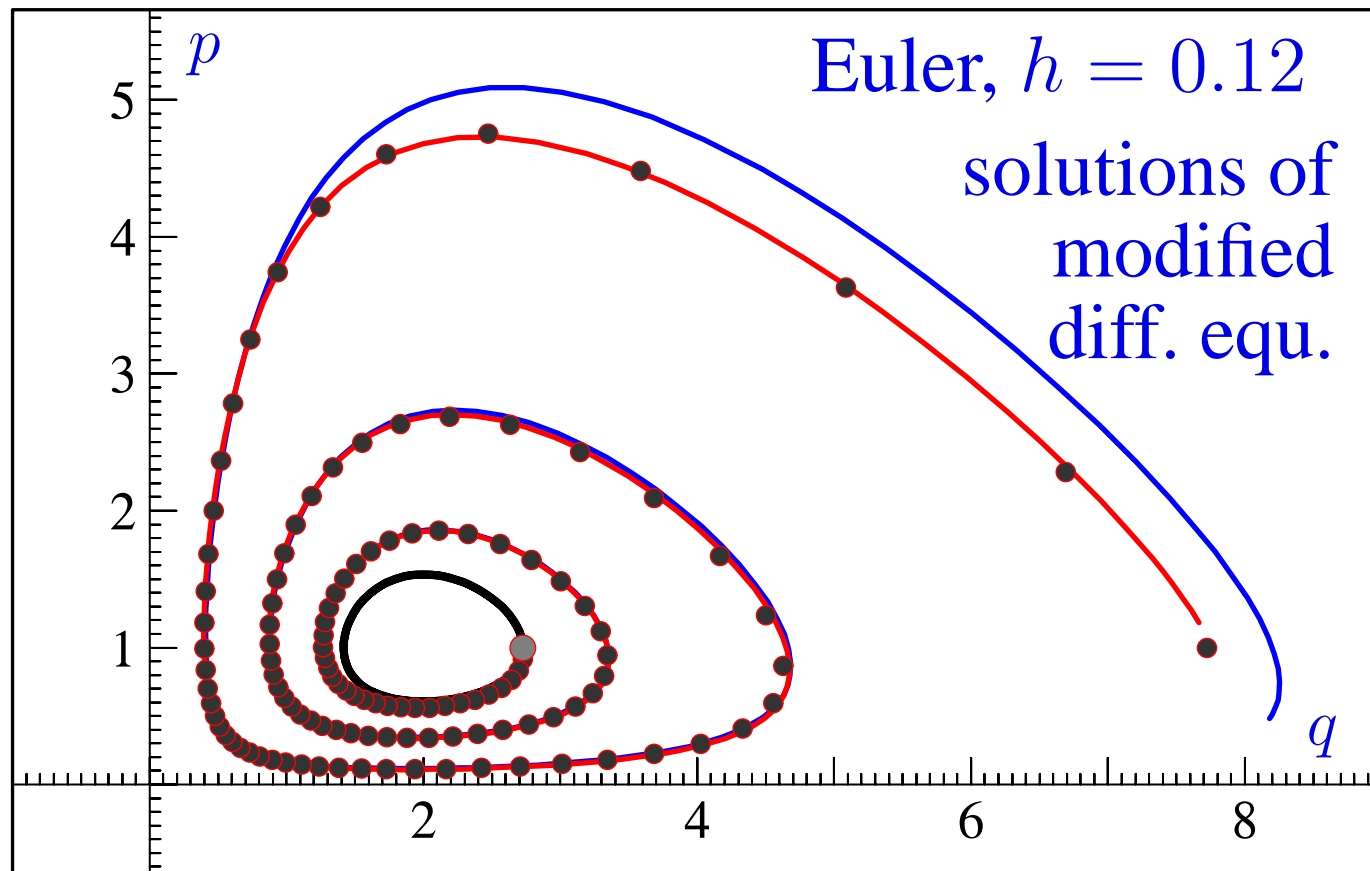
systematic study

Griffiths & Sanz-Serna 1986, Feng 1991,
Sanz-Serna 1991, Yoshida 1993, Eirola 1993,
Fiedler & Scheurle 1996

rigorous analysis

Benettin & Giorgilli 1994, H. & Lubich 1997,
Reich 1999

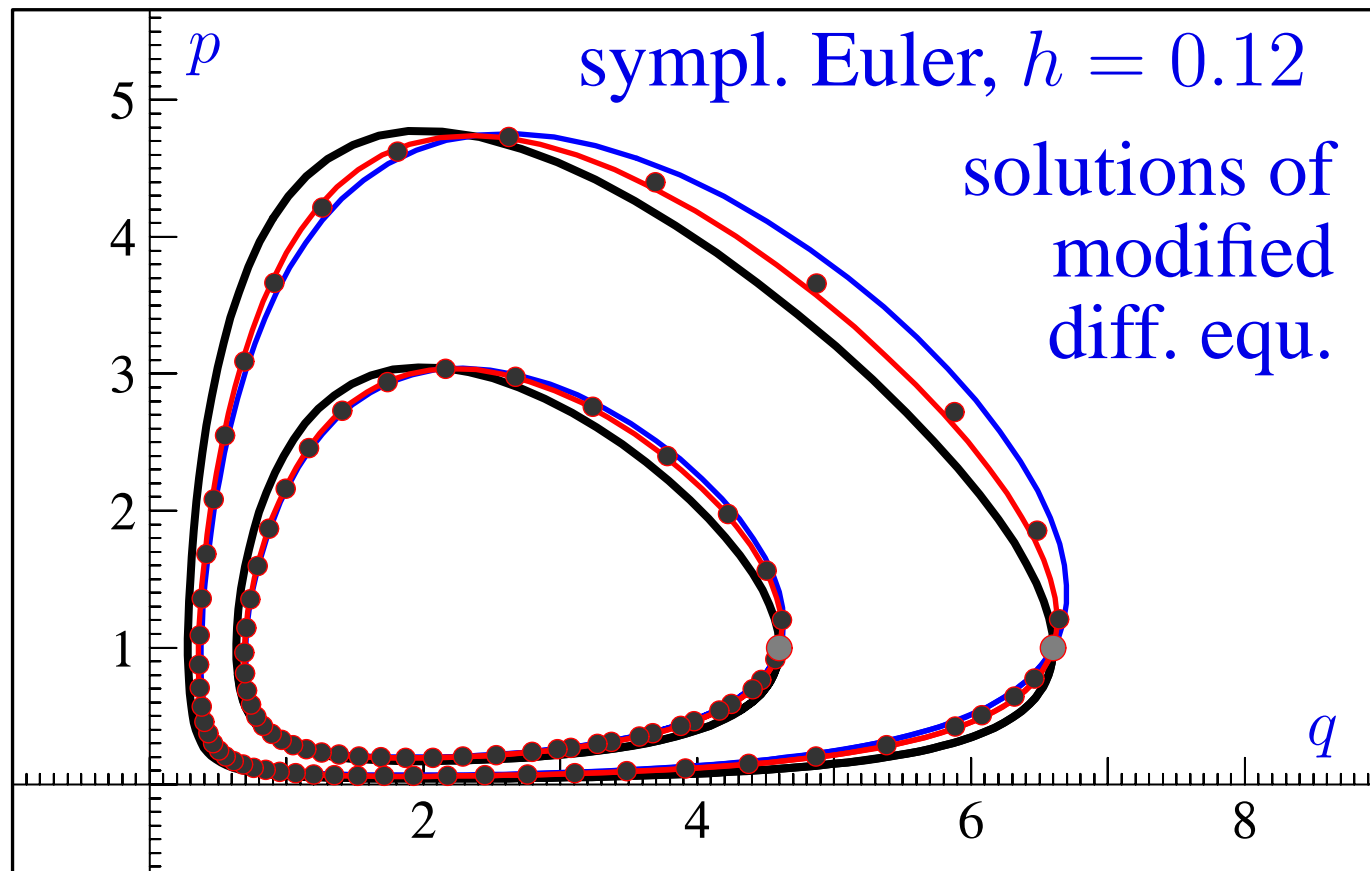
Example 1: Lotka–Volterra and explicit Euler



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Example 2: Lotka–Volterra and symplectic Euler



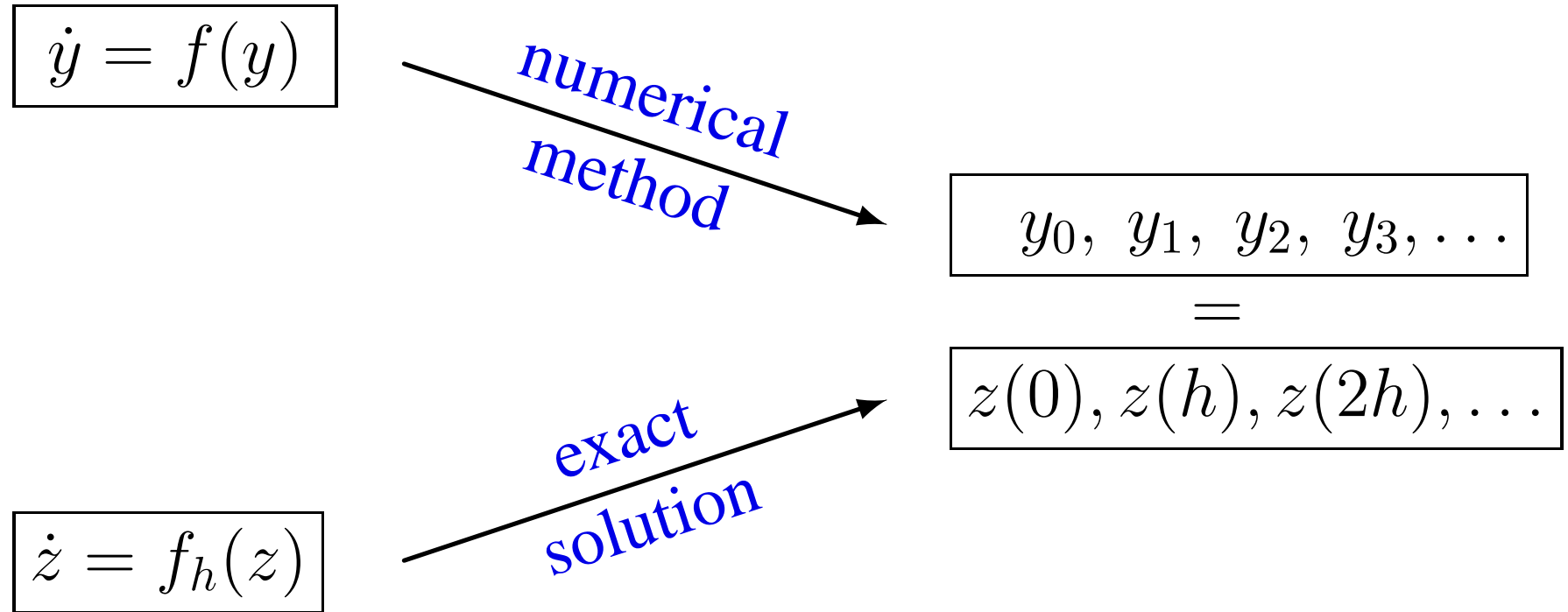
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Summary of backward error analysis



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2. Hamilton–Jacobi theory

“... Professor Hamilton hat ... das merkwürdige Resultat gefunden, dass ... sich die Integralgleichungen der Bewegung ... sämtlich durch die partiellen Differentialquotienten einer einzigen Function darstellen lassen.
(C.G.J. Jacobi, 1837)

For a Hamiltonian system

$$\dot{p} = -\nabla_q H(p, q), \quad \dot{q} = \nabla_p H(p, q)$$

the flow $(p, q) \mapsto (P, Q)$ is symplectic: $P dQ - p dq = dS$,
and can be expressed as

$$P = \nabla_Q S(q, Q, t), \quad p = -\nabla_q S(q, Q, t)$$

where (Hamilton–Jacobi differential equation)

$$\frac{\partial S(q, Q, t)}{\partial t} + H\left(\nabla_Q S(q, Q, t), Q\right) = 0$$

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$$S^1(P, q, h) = h H(P, q) + h^2 H_2(P, q) + h^3 H_3(P, q) + \dots$$

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References. Feng Kang (1986), Feng, Wu, Qin & Wang (1989)
Channel & Scovel (1990), Miesbach & Pesch (1992)

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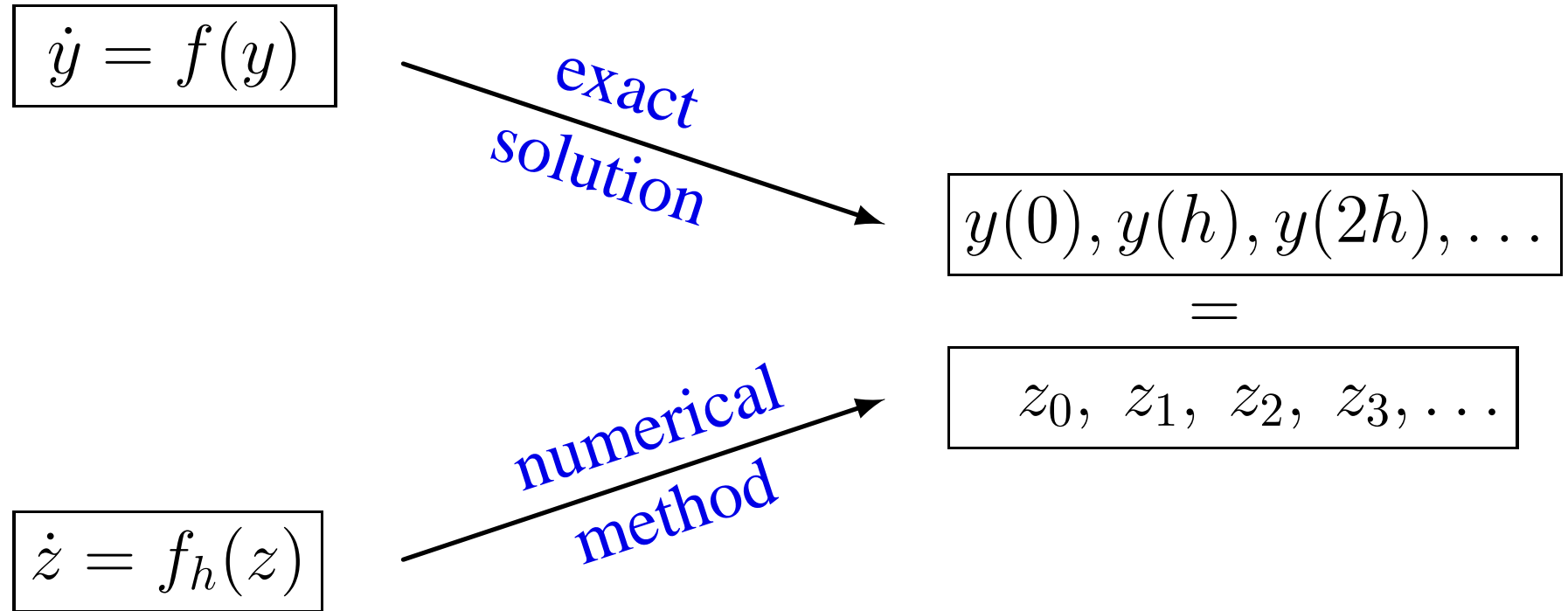
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Modified differential equation for the preprocessed method:

$$\dot{z} = f(z) + h^2 f_3(z) + h^4 f_5(z) + \dots$$

where

$$f_3 = \frac{1}{12} \left(-f' f' f + \frac{1}{2} f''(f, f) \right)$$

$$f_5 = \frac{1}{120} \left(f' f' f' f' f - f''(f, f' f' f) + \frac{1}{2} f''(f' f, f' f) \right) \\ - \frac{1}{240} \left(\frac{1}{2} f' f' f''(f, f) - f' f''(f, f' f) - \frac{1}{2} f''(f, f''(f, f)) \right)$$

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$$d_1 + d_2 = I_3, \quad d_2 + d_3 = I_1, \quad d_3 + d_1 = I_2,$$

Discrete Moser–Velselov (DMV) algorithm (Rattle):

For given (y_n, Q_n) , compute an orthogonal Ω_n matrix from

$$\Omega_n^T D - D \Omega_n = h \widehat{y}_n.$$

The numerical solution after one step is then given by

$$\widehat{y}_{n+1} = \Omega_n \widehat{y}_n \Omega_n^T, \quad Q_{n+1} = Q_n \Omega_n^T,$$

Preprocessed DMV algorithm

Apply the DMV algorithm with I_j replaced by \tilde{I}_j where

$$\frac{1}{\tilde{I}_j} = \frac{1}{I_j} \left(1 + h^2 s_3(y_n) + \dots + h^{2r-2} s_{2r-1}(y_n) \right) \\ + h^2 d_3(y_n) + \dots + h^{2r-2} d_{2r-1}(y_n).$$

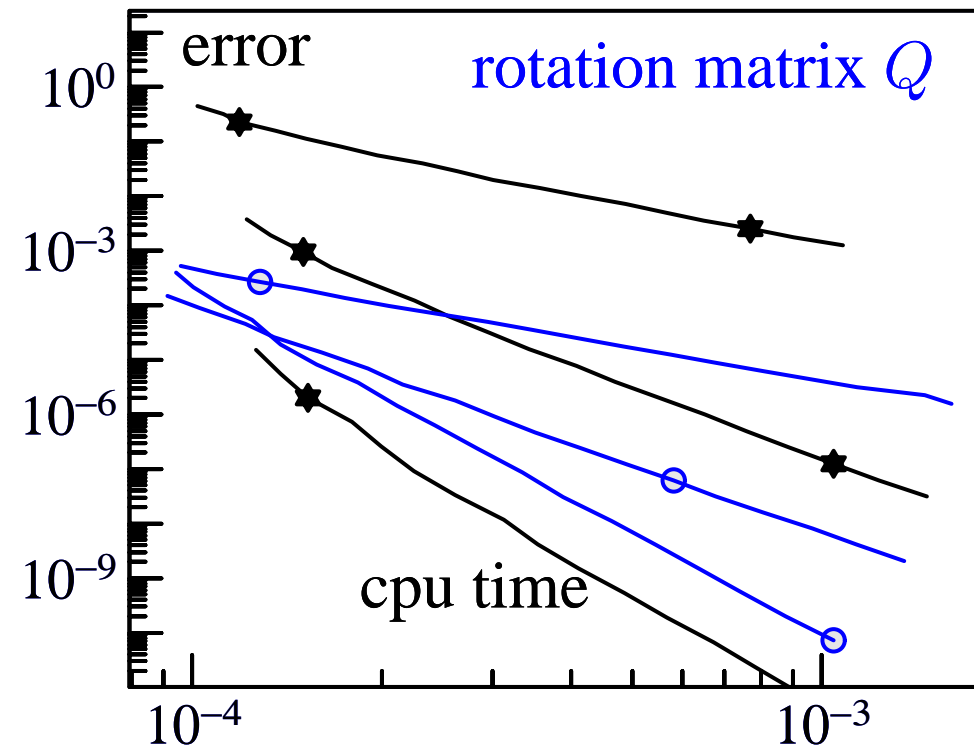
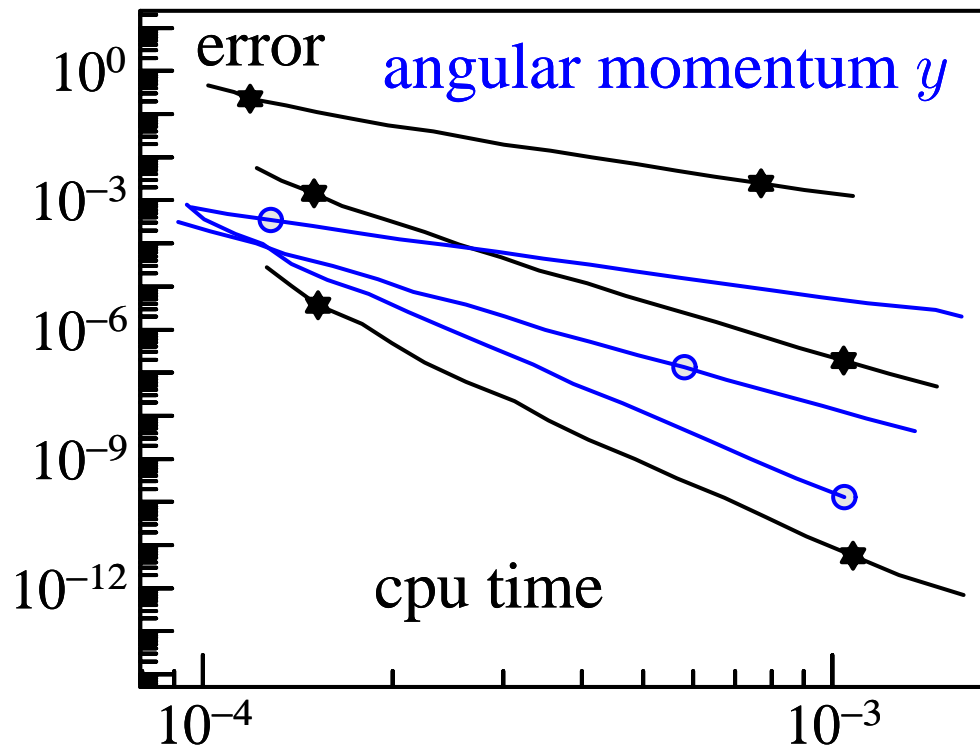
to get an integrator of order $2r$.

$$s_3(y_n) = -\frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{I_1} + \frac{1}{I_2} + \frac{1}{I_3} \right) H(y_n) + \frac{I_1 + I_2 + I_3}{6 I_1 I_2 I_3} C(y_n),$$

$$d_3(y_n) = \frac{I_1 + I_2 + I_3}{6 I_1 I_2 I_3} H(y_n) - \frac{1}{3 I_1 I_2 I_3} C(y_n).$$

Numerical experiment 1: asymmetric rigid body

$$I_1 = 0.6, \quad I_2 = 0.8, \quad I_3 = 1.0$$

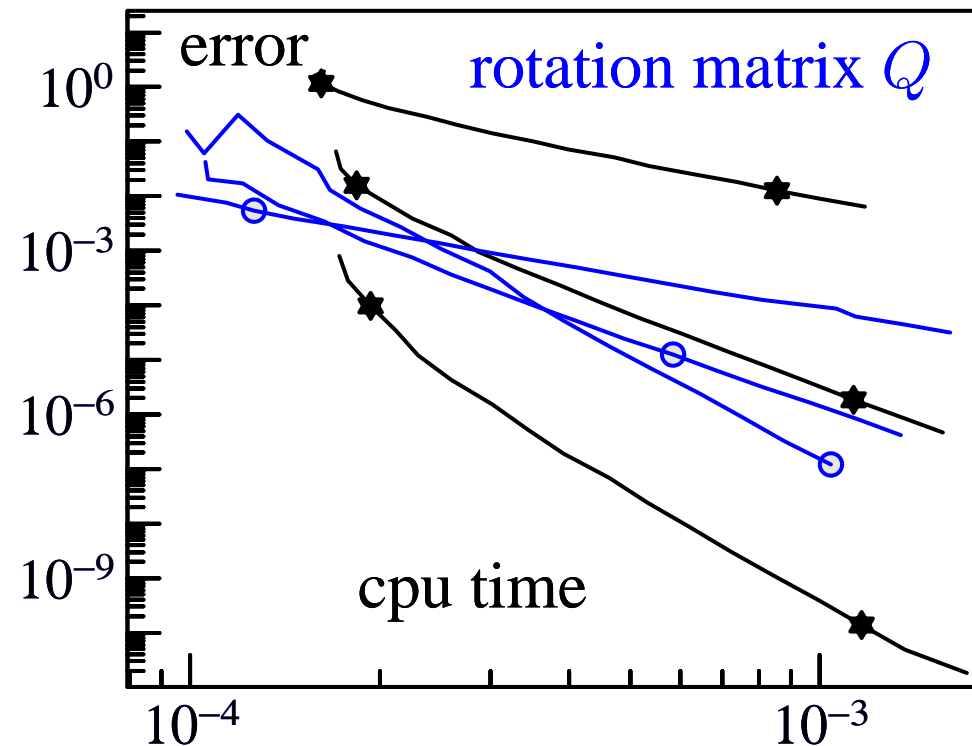
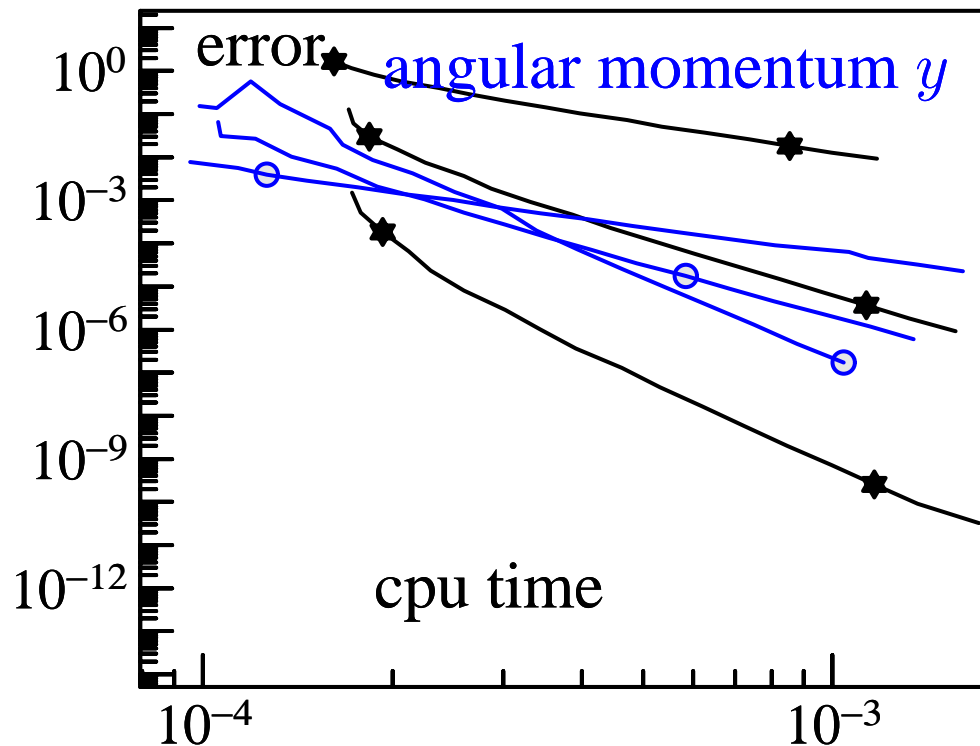


blue: splitting methods of orders 2, 4, and 6

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Numerical experiment 2: flat rigid body

$$I_1 = 0.345, \quad I_2 = 0.653, \quad I_3 = 1.0$$



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