

Galerkin variational integrators in optimal control theory

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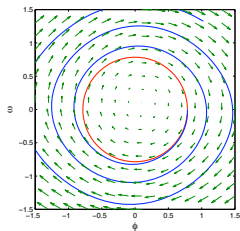
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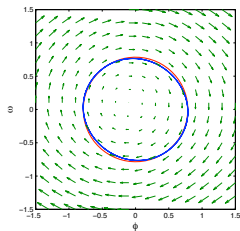
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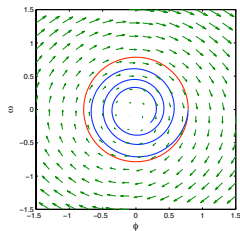
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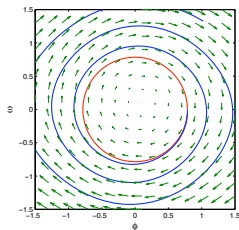
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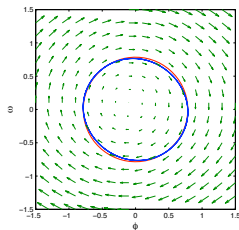
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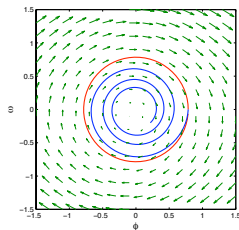
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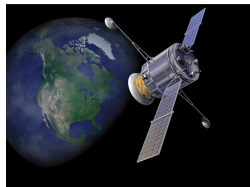
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Optimal control problem

- ▶ direct discretization approach via variational integration
- ▶ goal: preservation of geometric properties + high accuracy



Outline

- ▶ Problem formulation: optimal control for mechanical systems
- ▶ Galerkin variational integrators
 - ▶ construction, numerical analysis
- ▶ Galerkin variational integrators in optimal control
 - ▶ commutation of discretization and dualization
- ▶ Conclusion and future directions

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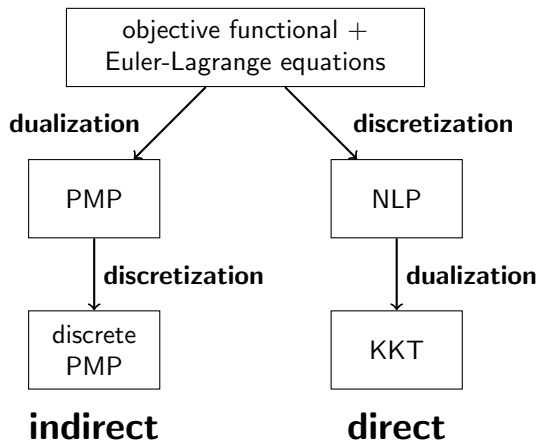
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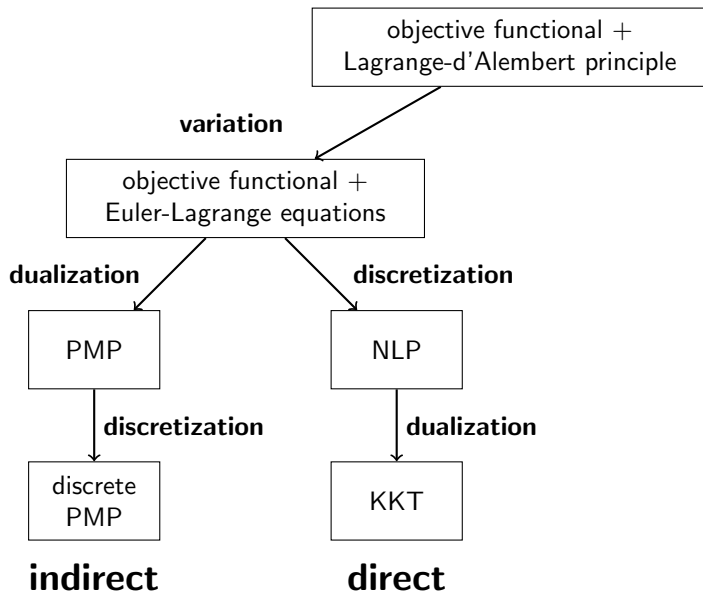
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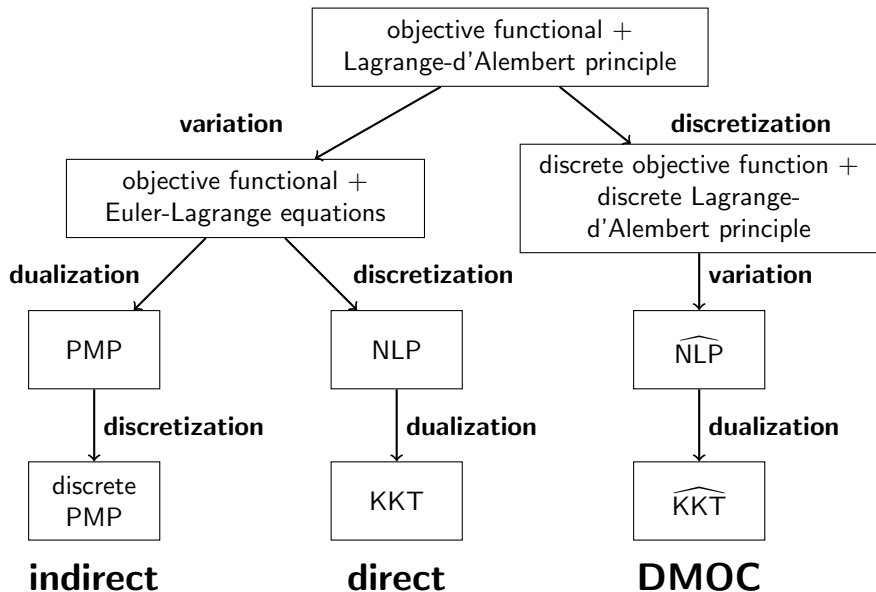
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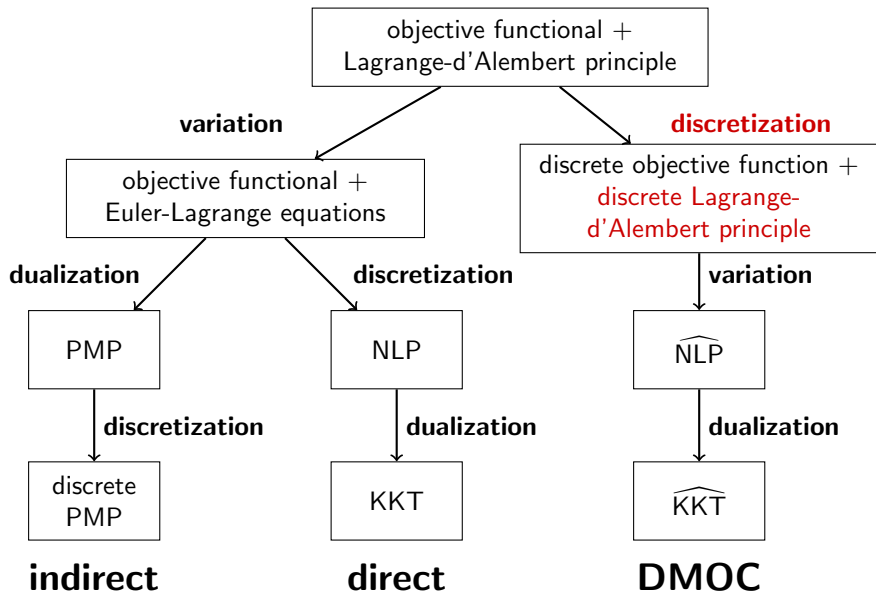
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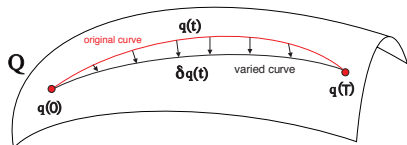
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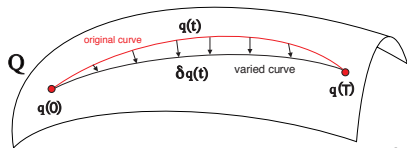
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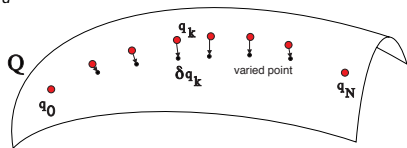
$$\delta \mathcal{S}_d = \delta \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} L_d(q_k, q_{k+1}) = 0$$

- ▶ **discrete** Euler-Lagrange eq.

$$D_1 L_d(q_k, q_{k+1}) + D_2 L_d(q_{k-1}, q_k) = 0$$

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variational integrator: [MARSDEN, WEST 01]

Discrete Lagrangian optimal control problem

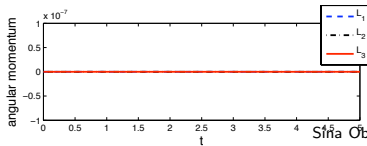
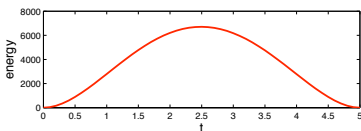
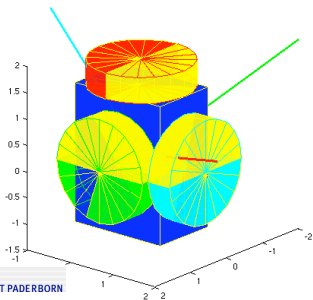
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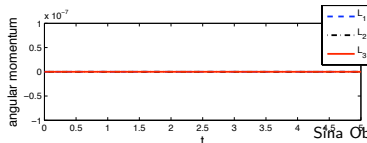
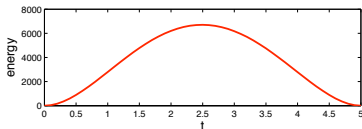
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Related works:

- ▶ Galerkin variational integrators [MARSDEN, WEST (2001)]
- ▶ Galerkin and shooting based [LEOK, SHINGL (2010)]
- ▶ convergence analysis [HALL, LEOK (2013)]

Galerkin variational integrators – construction

polynomial interpolation

- ▶ collocation points $0 \leq c_1 < \dots < c_s \leq 1$
- ▶ Lagrange polynomials $l^j(t) := \prod_{i \neq j} \frac{t - c_i}{c_j - c_i}$

numerical quadrature

- ▶ quadrature points and weights $(c_i, b_i)_{i=1}^s$
- ▶ points based on Gauss, Lobatto, Radau, Chebyshev
- ▶ weights $b_j := \int_0^1 l^j(t) dt$

two variational integrators

- ▶ based on different dimensions of approximation space
- ▶ symplectic partitioned Runge-Kutta + symplectic Galerkin

[Campos: High order variational integrators: a polynomial approach. In *23rd Congress on Differential Equations and Applications*, Springer Series 2014]

[Campos, O., Trélat: High order variational integrators in the optimal control of mechanical systems, Preprint 2014]

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$$\text{with } \alpha^j := \mu^j(0), \beta^j := \mu^j(1)$$

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two-point discrete Lagrangian

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[CAMPOS 2014]

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Equivalence of spRK and sG

- ▶ sRK: $Q \in \mathcal{P}^s$, $\dot{Q} \in \mathcal{P}^{s-1}$
- ▶ sG: $Q \in \mathcal{P}^{s-1}$, $\dot{Q} \in \mathcal{P}^{s-2}$
- ▶ s internal stages Q_i and \dot{Q}_i

$$\Rightarrow \exists l : d_l \neq 0, \sum_{i=1}^s d_i \dot{Q}_i = 0$$

- ▶ consider $\sum_{i=1}^s d_i \dot{Q}_i = 0$ as additional constraint for extremizing L_d

equivalent to a “spRK” of the form

$$\begin{aligned} q_1 &= q_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \dot{Q}_i, & p_1 &= p_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s \bar{b}_i \dot{P}_i, \\ Q_i &= q_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} \dot{Q}_j, & P_i &= p_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^s \bar{a}_{ij} \dot{P}_j - \frac{d_j}{b_i} \lambda, \\ P_i &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}}(Q_i, \dot{Q}_i) & \dot{P}_i &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial q}(Q_i, \dot{Q}_i) \\ 0 &= \sum_{i=1}^s d_i \dot{Q}_i \end{aligned}$$

Relation to Runge-Kutta schemes

Theorem (Equivalence to Runge-Kutta scheme)

For a Lagrangian of the form $L = \frac{1}{2}\dot{q}^T M \dot{q} - V(q)$, the sG variational integrator is equivalent to an s-stage symplectic partitioned Runge-Kutta scheme if the following conditions on the coefficients hold

$$\sum_{i=1}^s d_i \bar{a}_{ij} = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, s, \quad \sum_{i=1}^s d_i = 0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^s \frac{d_i^2}{b_i} \neq 0$$

Remark:

- ▶ satisfied for all schemes based on the Lobatto quadrature

[O.: Galerkin variational integrators and modified symplectic Runge-Kutta methods, Preprint 2014]

Galerkin variational integrators – order

		spRK	sG
micro-data		\dot{Q}_i	Q_i
polynomial degree		s	$s - 1$
quadrature	Gauss	$2s$	$2s - 2$
	Lobatto	$2s - 2$	$2s - 2$
	Radau	$2s - 1$	$2s - 2$
	Chebyshev	$2s - 2$	$2s - 2$
		order method	

Table: Comparison of s -stage variational integrators.

examples

- ▶ spRK with Gauss: Gauss collocation method
- ▶ spRK with Lobatto: Lobatto IIIA-IIIB partitioned Runge-Kutta method

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Discretized optimal control problem

Discrete optimal control problem: the spRK case

$$\min_{q_d, p_d, \{Q_i^k, P_i^k, U_i^k\}_{i=1, \dots, s}^{k=0, \dots, N-1}} J_d(q_d, p_d, \{Q_i^k, P_i^k, U_i^k\}_{i=1, \dots, s}^{k=0, \dots, N-1})$$

subject to

$$q_{k+1} = q_k + h \sum_{j=1}^s b_j f(Q_j^k, P_j^k), \quad p_{k+1} = p_k + h \sum_{j=1}^s \bar{b}_j g(Q_j^k, P_j^k, U_j^k)$$

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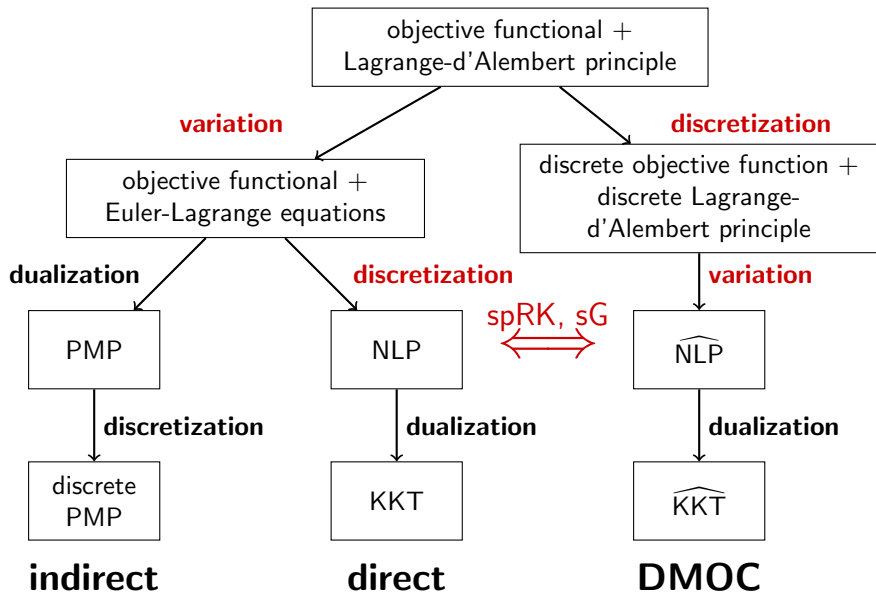
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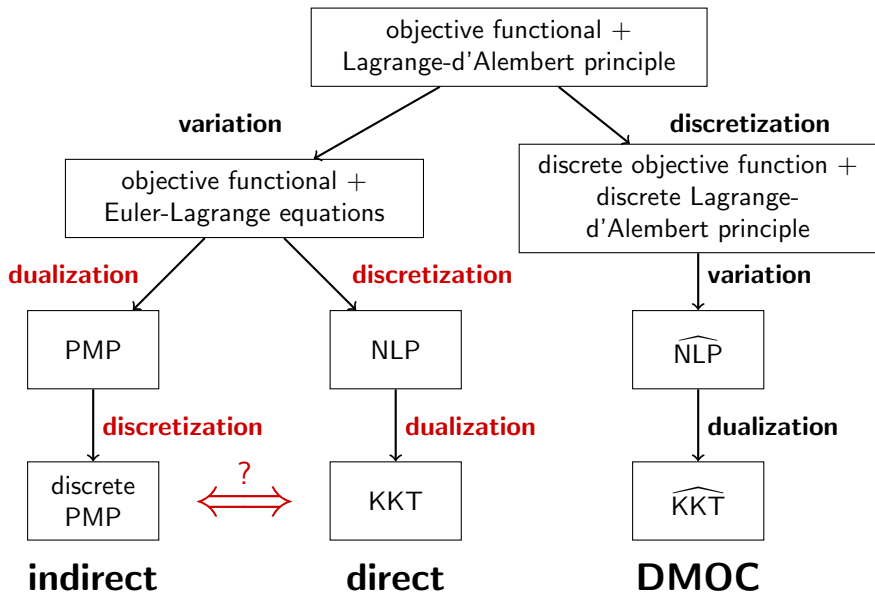
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Commutation property: discretization – variation



Commutation property: discretization – dualization



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some known results

▶ RK methods:

- no commutation: different state and adjoint schemes
⇒ order loss possible
- order conditions on Runge-Kutta coefficients to ensure order preservation [HAGER 2000], [BONNANS ET AL. 2006]

▶ pseudospectral methods:

- commutation if extra closure conditions are satisfied
- order-preserving map between adjoint variables (covector mapping principle)
[GONG, ROSS, KANG, FAHROO 2008], [ROSS, FAHROO 2003]

▶ symplectic partitioned Runge-Kutta methods:

- commutation due to symplecticity
- adjoint scheme is also symplectic
[O. 2008], [SANZ-SERNA, PREPRINT 2014]

Commutation property: the sG case

- ▶ adjoint vectors $\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_N, \mu_0, \dots, \mu_{N-1}, \psi_0, \Lambda_i^0, \dots, \Lambda_i^{N-1}, \Psi_i^0, \dots, \Psi_i^{N-1}, i = 1, \dots, s$
- ▶ discrete optimal control Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_d = & \Phi(q_N, p_N) - \lambda_0^T (q_0 - q^0) - \psi_0^T (p_0 - p^0) \\ & + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \left[\mu_k^T \left(q_k - \sum_{j=1}^s \alpha^j Q_j^k \right) - \lambda_{k+1}^T \left(q_{k+1} - \sum_{j=1}^s \beta^j Q_j^k \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_{i=1}^s (\Lambda_i^k)^T \left(h f_i^k - \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} Q_j^k \right) + (\Psi_i^k)^T \left(h g_i^k - \frac{\beta^i p_{k+1} - \alpha^i p_k}{b_i} - \sum_{j=1}^s \bar{a}_{ij} P_j^k \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

with $f_i^k = f(Q_i^k, P_i^k)$ and $g_i^k = g(Q_i^k, P_i^k, U_i^k)$.

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- ▶ new adjoint variables

$$\Gamma_i^k := \frac{\Lambda_i^k}{b_i} \text{ and } \chi_i^k := \frac{\Psi_i^k}{b_i}, \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1, \quad i = 1, \dots, s,$$

- ▶ $\psi_k^- := \sum_{i=1}^s \chi_i^k \alpha^i, \quad \psi_k^+ := \sum_{i=1}^s \chi_i^{k-1} \beta^i$

- ▶ KKT equation

$$\psi_k = \sum_{j=1}^s \alpha^j \chi_j^k,$$

$$\psi_{k+1} = \sum_{j=1}^s \beta^j \chi_j^k,$$

$$-f_q^T(Q_i^k, P_i^k) \Gamma_i^k - g_q^T(Q_i^k, P_i^k, U_i^k) \chi_i^k = \frac{\beta^i \lambda_{k+1} - \alpha^i \lambda_k}{h \bar{b}_i} + \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=1}^s \bar{a}_{ij} \Gamma_j^k,$$

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$$g_u^T(Q_i^k, P_i^k, U_i^k) \Psi_i^k = 0,$$

for $k = 0, \dots, N-1, \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \quad b_i a_{ij} + \bar{b}_j \bar{a}_{ji} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad b_i = \bar{b}_i$

$$\lambda_N = \Phi_q^T(q_N, p_N) \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_N = \Phi_p^T(q_N, p_N),$$

Commutation property: the sG case

- ▶ assumption: unique control

$$\nu(q, p, \lambda, \psi) = (-f_q^T(q, p) \lambda - g_q^T(q, p, u) \psi) |_{u=u(q, p, \lambda, \psi)}$$

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- ▶ necessary optimality conditions

state system

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$$\dot{p}(t) = g(q(t), p(t), \lambda(t), \psi(t)), \quad p(0) = p^0$$

adjoint system

$$\dot{\lambda}(t) = \nu(q(t), p(t), \lambda(t), \psi(t)), \quad \lambda(T) = \Phi_q(q(T), p(T))$$

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- ▶ discrete necessary optimality conditions

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$$f_i^k = \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} Q_j^k, \quad \eta_i^k = \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} \chi_j^k$$

$$g_i^k = \frac{\beta^i p_{k+1} - \alpha^i p_k}{h \bar{b}_i} + \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=1}^s \bar{a}_{ij} P_j^k, \quad \nu_i^k = \frac{\beta^i \lambda_{k+1} - \alpha^i \lambda_k}{h \bar{b}_i} + \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=1}^s \bar{a}_{ij} \Gamma_j^k,$$

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Commutation property: discretization – dualization

Theorem (Commutation property)

Let a Lagrangian optimal control problem be given. If a symplectic Galerkin method with $b_i > 0$, $i = 1, \dots, s$, is used for the discretization of the state system, dualization and discretization commute.

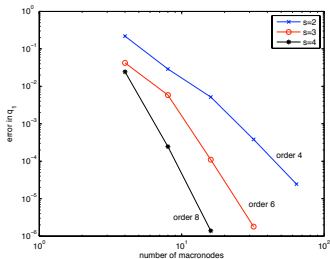
- ▶ order preservation
- ▶ scheme preservation (symplectic state and adjoint scheme)

⇒ convergence of state and adjoint variables under appropriate assumptions

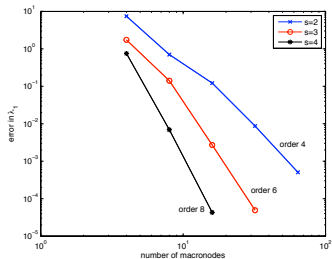
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Convergence rates: states and adjoints

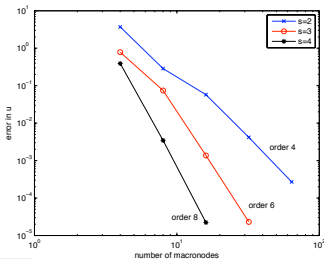
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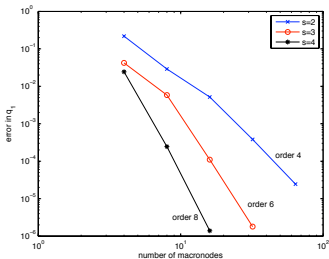
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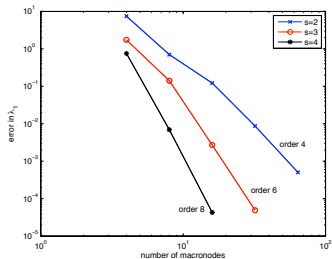
- ▶ orbital transfer with minimal control effort
- ▶ same convergence rates for configuration, control and adjoint

Convergence rates: states and adjoints

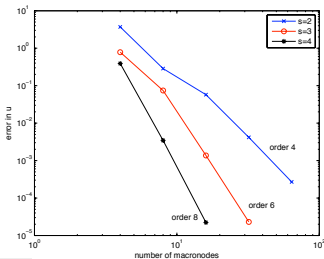
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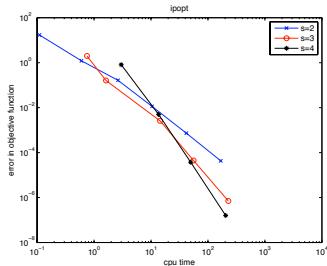
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error vs. cpu



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Ongoing and future work

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