

Symplectic and Time-Reversible Projection Methods for Hamiltonian Systems

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Motivation

Structure preservation:

- preserve geometrical properties of the flow of a differential equation
- produce improved qualitative behavior of the numerical solution (even for long-time integration)
- applicable for a wide range of the physical problems

Most geometric properties are not preserved by traditional numerical methods

Example: An integrator for the Hybrid Monte Carlo algorithm

- computing samples (p_i, q_i) via ODEs (just one step)
- must be *time-reversible* and *volume-preserving*
- *energy conservation* is an advantage (**no acceptance check needed**)

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- 1 Problem Formulation and Desired Properties
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Problem Formulation

Equations of Motion

$$\dot{y} = f(x) = J^{-1} \nabla H(y), \quad y(0) = y_0$$

with $y = (q, p)^\top$, $J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Problems:

- separable linear, e.g. simple harmonic oscillator (SHO)

$$H(q, p) = \frac{1}{2}p^2 + \frac{1}{2}q^2$$

- separable nonlinear, e.g. pendulum equation (PE)

$$H(q, p) = \frac{1}{2}p^2 - \cos q$$

- non-separable problem (NS)

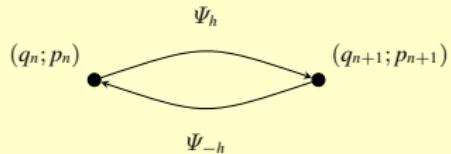
$$H(q, p) = (1 + \frac{p^2}{2})^2(1 + q^2)$$

Desired Properties

Symmetry

A numerical method Ψ_h is called **symmetric**, if

$$\Psi_h \circ \Psi_{-h} = id \text{ or } \Psi_h = \Psi_{-h}^{-1}$$

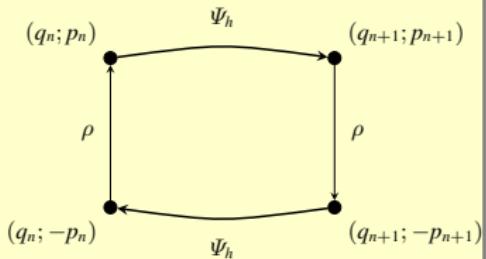


Time-Reversibility

A numerical method Ψ_h is called **time-reversible**, if

$$\rho \circ \Psi_h = \Psi_h^{-1} \circ \rho,$$

where ρ such that $\rho(q, p) = (q, -p)$



Desired Properties

Symplecticity

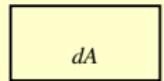
A numerical method Ψ_h is called **symplectic** if

$$\left(\frac{\partial y_{n+1}}{\partial y_n} \right)^\top J \left(\frac{\partial y_{n+1}}{\partial y_n} \right) = J$$

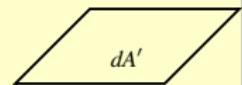
Volume-Preservation

A numerical method Ψ_h is called **volume-preserving** if

$$\left| \det \left(\frac{\partial y_{n+1}}{\partial y_n} \right) \right| = 1$$



Ψ_h



$$dA = dA'$$

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Standard Projection Method

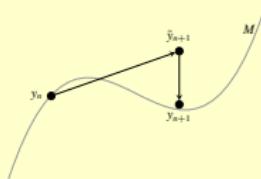
Idea

Assume, $M = \{y; g(y) = 0\}$ a submanifold on \mathbb{R}^n , $g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ and $y_n \in M$, then

$$\tilde{y}_{n+1} = \Phi_h(y_n) \quad \text{compute with arbitrary } \Phi_h$$

$$y_{n+1} = \tilde{y}_{n+1} + G(\tilde{y}_{n+1})^\top \lambda \quad \text{project on } M$$

$$0 = g(y_{n+1}) \quad \text{conservation condition}$$



where $G^\top(y) = g'(y)$ and λ is implicitly defined by
 $g(y_{n+1}) = 0$

Advantages

- preserves the energy of the system
- might improve the long-term behavior of the original method

Disadvantages

- not symmetric
- not symplectic

Symmetric Projection Method

Idea

[Hairer, 2000]

$M = \{y; g(y) = 0\}$ a submanifold on \mathbb{R}^n , $g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ and $y_n \in M$

$$\tilde{y}_n = y_n + G(y_n)^\top \mu$$

perturb y_n

$$\tilde{y}_{n+1} = \Phi_h(\tilde{y}_n)$$

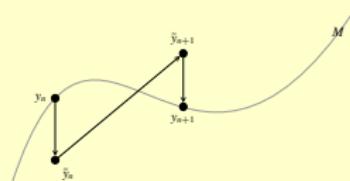
symmetric method

$$y_{n+1} = \tilde{y}_{n+1} + G(y_{n+1})^\top \mu$$

project on M

$$0 = g(y_{n+1})$$

conservation condition



where $G^\top(y) = g'(y)$ and μ is implicitly defined by
 $g(y_{n+1}) = 0$

Advantages

- preserves the energy of the system
- symmetric

Disadvantages

- not symplectic (in general)

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Structure-Preserving Method -1

Approach

For our problem we have

$$P : \quad \tilde{y}_n = y_n + J^{-1} \nabla H \left(\frac{\tilde{y}_n + y_n}{2} \right)^\top \mu \quad \text{perturbation step}$$

$$\Phi_h : \quad \tilde{y}_{n+1} = \Phi_h(\tilde{y}_n) \quad \text{intermediate step}$$

$$BP : \quad y_{n+1} = \tilde{y}_{n+1} + J^{-1} \nabla H \left(\frac{y_{n+1} + \tilde{y}_{n+1}}{2} \right)^\top \mu \quad \text{projection step}$$

$$0 = H(y_{n+1}) - H(y_n) \quad \text{energy conservation}$$

- $\Phi_h(\tilde{y}_n)$ - symplectic, symmetric and time-reversible method
- μ such as $H(y) = \text{const}$

Properties

preserving **symmetry**, **time-reversibility**, **symplecticity** of the method Φ_h and **conserves the energy of the system**

The method can be represented as

$$\Psi_h := BP \circ \Phi_h \circ P$$

Here we have

- P and BP are **implicit mid-point rules**
- Φ_h is **symmetric**, **time-reversible**, **symplectic** method e.g the **leap-frog method**
- P , BP and Φ_h are **symmetric**, **time-reversible** and **symplectic**

Thus the method is

- **symmetric** \Rightarrow composition of symmetric methods
- **time-reversible** \Rightarrow composition of time-reversible methods
- **symplectic** \Rightarrow composition of symplectic methods
- **energy-conserving** \Rightarrow by the construction of the method

Structure-Preserving Methods -2

Approach

For our problem we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P : \quad & \tilde{y}_n = y_n + J^{-1} \nabla H(\tilde{p}_n, q_n)^\top \mu && \text{perturbation step} \\
 \varPhi_h : \quad & \tilde{y}_{n+1} = \varPhi_h(\tilde{y}_n) && \text{intermediate step} \\
 BP : \quad & y_{n+1} = \tilde{y}_{n+1} + J^{-1} \nabla H(\tilde{p}_{n+1}, q_{n+1})^\top \mu && \text{projection step} \\
 & 0 = H(y_{n+1}) - H(y_n) && \text{energy conservation}
 \end{aligned}$$

- $\varPhi_h(\tilde{y}_n)$ - symplectic, symmetric and time-reversible method
- μ such as $H(y) = \text{const}$

Properties

preserving **symmetry**, **time-reversibility**, **symplecticity** of the method \varPhi_h and **conserves the energy of the system**

Symplecticity(volume-preservation) \Rightarrow composition of symplectic methods

Energy conservation \Rightarrow construction of the method

Symmetry

- exchange $h \leftrightarrow -h$ and $y_n \leftrightarrow y_{n+1}$ we obtain

$$\tilde{y}_n = y_{n+1} + J^{-1} \nabla H(\tilde{p}_n, q_{n+1})^\top \mu$$

$$\tilde{y}_{n+1} = \Phi_{-h}(\tilde{y}_n)$$

$$y_n = \tilde{y}_{n+1} + J^{-1} \nabla H(\tilde{p}_{n+1}, q_n)^\top \mu$$

$$0 = H(y_n) - H(y_{n+1})$$

- replace μ, \tilde{y}_n and \tilde{y}_{n+1} with $-\mu, \tilde{y}_{n+1}$ and \tilde{y}_n respectively
- obtain the original algorithm \Rightarrow the method is **symmetric**

Time-reversibility

A symmetric projection method is time-reversible if

- Φ_h satisfies $\rho \circ \Phi_h = \Phi_h^{-1} \circ \rho$
- $\rho G(y_n)^\top = G(\rho y_n)^\top \sigma$, where σ is constant invertible matrix

- Φ_h is chosen to be a time reversible
- then

$$\rho G(y_n)^\top = \rho J^{-1} \nabla H(q_n, \tilde{p}_n)^\top = \rho \begin{pmatrix} -H_q(q_n, \tilde{p}_n) \\ H_p(q_n, \tilde{p}_n) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -H_q(q_n, \tilde{p}_n) \\ -H_p(q_n, \tilde{p}_n) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} G(\rho y_n)^\top \sigma &= J^{-1} \nabla H(q_n, -\tilde{p}_n)^\top \sigma = \begin{pmatrix} -H_q(q_n, -\tilde{p}_n) \\ H_p(q_n, -\tilde{p}_n) \end{pmatrix} \sigma \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -H_q(q_n, \tilde{p}_n) \\ -H_p(q_n, \tilde{p}_n) \end{pmatrix} \sigma, \text{ where } \sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

- thus the method is **time-reversible**

Alternative

Adapted method

For our problem we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P : \quad & \tilde{y}_n = y_n + A y_n \mu && \text{perturbation step} \\
 \Phi_h : \quad & \tilde{y}_{n+1} = \Phi_h(\tilde{y}_n) && \text{intermediate step} \\
 BP : \quad & y_{n+1} = \tilde{y}_{n+1} + A y_{n+1} \mu && \text{projection step} \\
 & 0 = H(y_{n+1}) - H(y_n) && \text{energy conservation}
 \end{aligned}$$

- μ such as $H(y) = \text{const}$
- A is a block-diagonal matrix: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}$

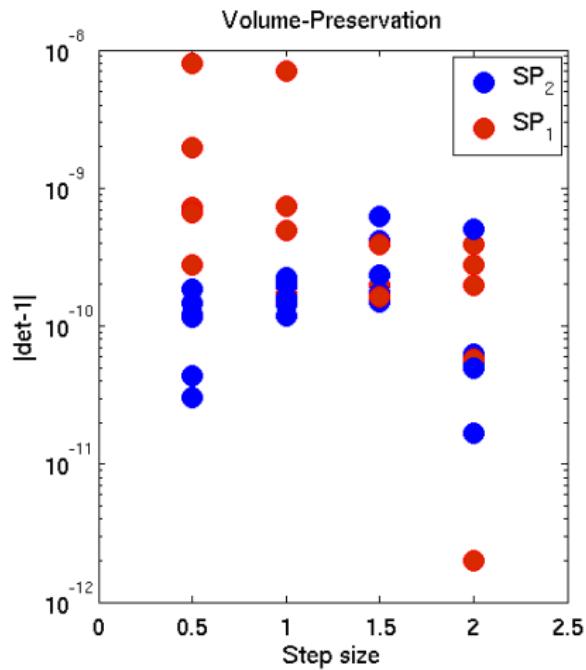
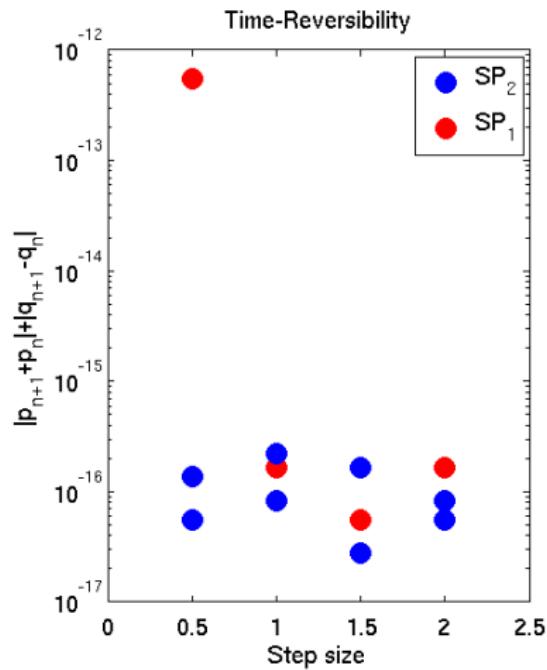
Properties

The method is **symmetric**, **time-reversible**, **symplectic** and **conserves the energy of the system**

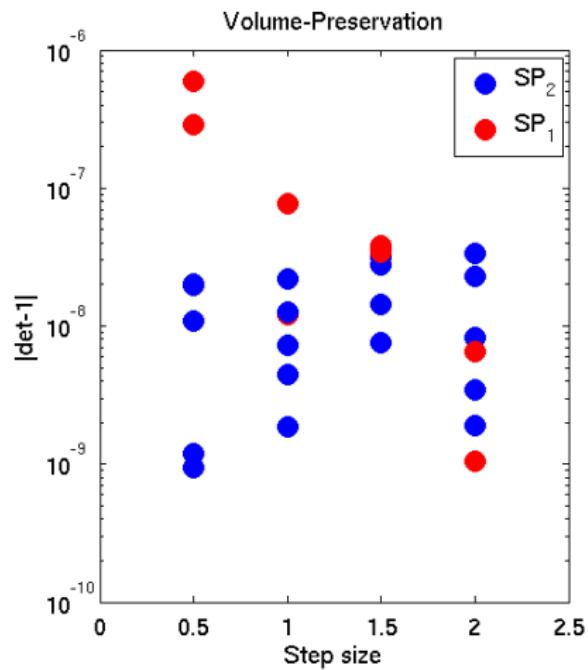
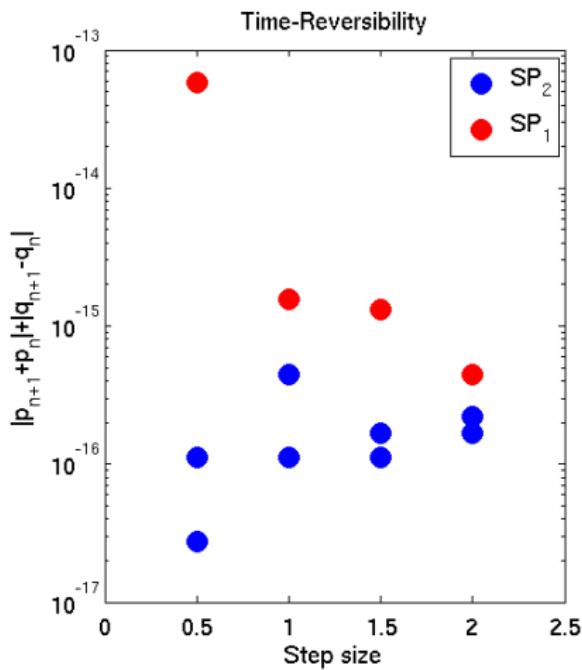
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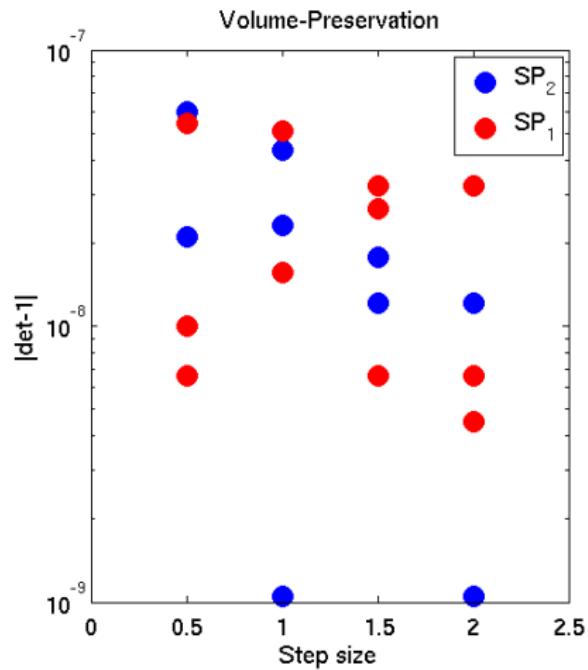
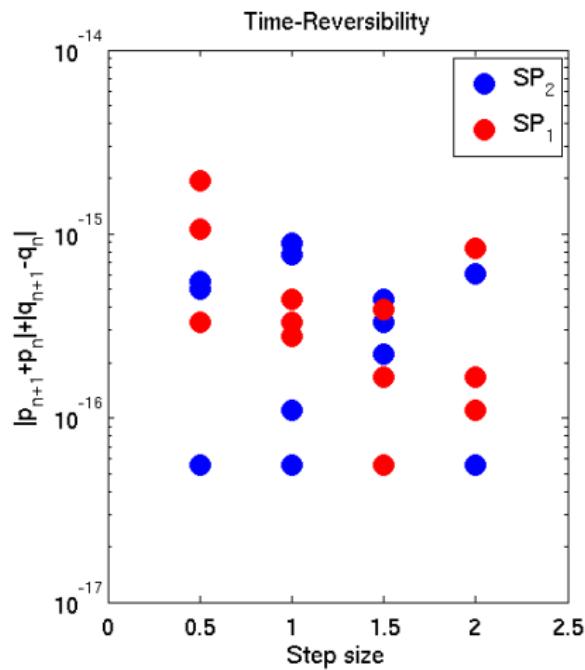
Numerical Results - SHO



Numerical Results - PE



Numerical Results - NS



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Conclusions

- Combining structure preserving numerical methods with projection:
**symmetric, time-reversible, volume-preserving,
energy-preserving**
- Analytical and numerical proofs of the desired properties
- Applicable for separable and non-separable problems

Outlook

- Application in Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)
- Applicable for more general non-Abelian structures?



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