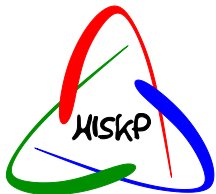


A04: Optimising the Real-Time Evolution of Quantum Spin Chains with Higher-Order Trotter Techniques

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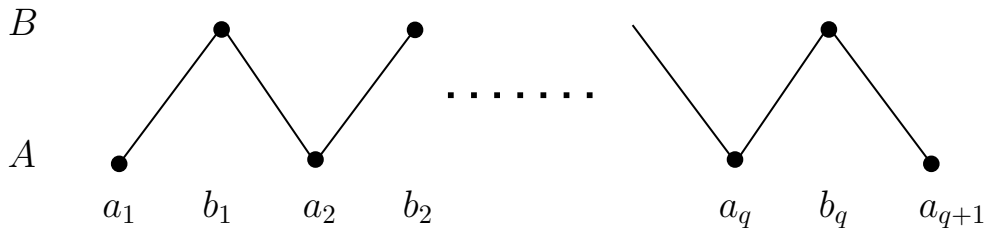
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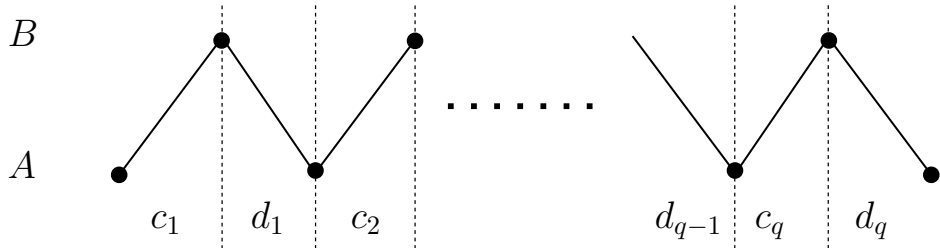
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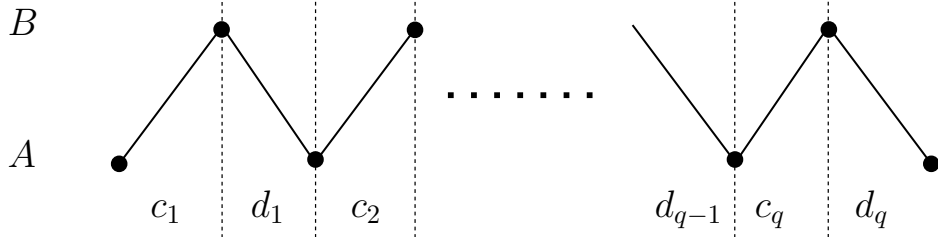
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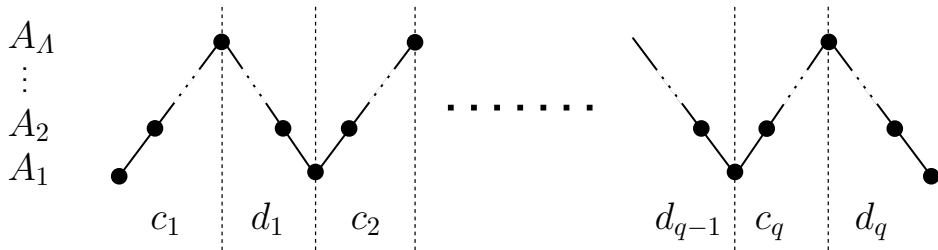
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Decompositions into Λ operators [JO *JPhysA* 56 (2023)]

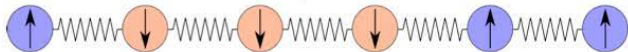
$$e^{h \sum_{k=1}^{\Lambda} A_k} + \mathcal{O}(h^{n+1})$$

$$= \left(\prod_{k=1}^{\Lambda} e^{A_k c_1 h} \right) \left(\prod_{k=\Lambda}^1 e^{A_k d_1 h} \right) \cdots \left(\prod_{k=1}^{\Lambda} e^{A_k c_q h} \right) \left(\prod_{k=\Lambda}^1 e^{A_k d_q h} \right)$$



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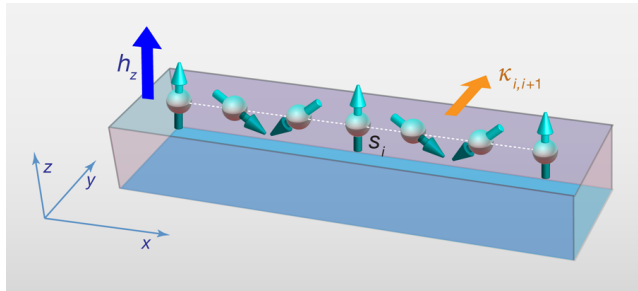


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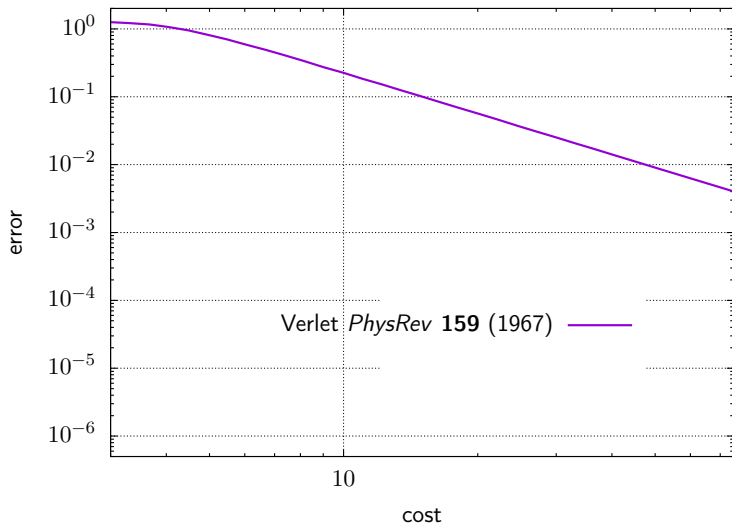
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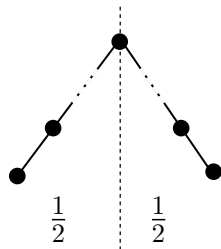
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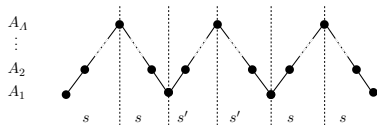
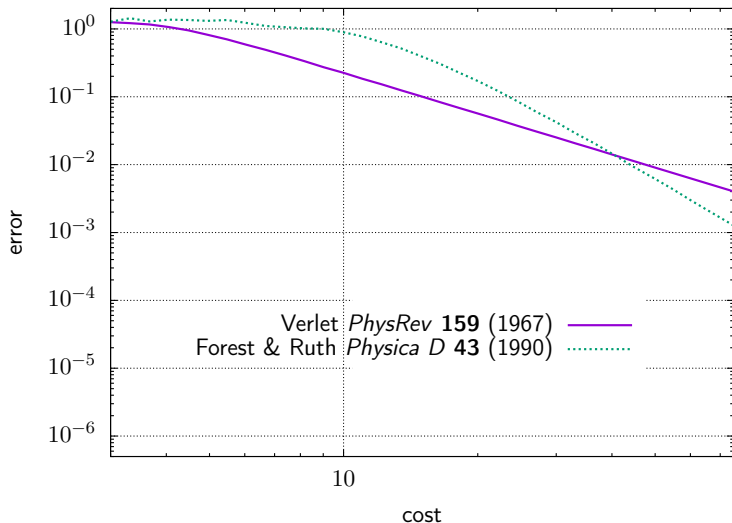


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cycles = 1

Benchmarking the Heisenberg model



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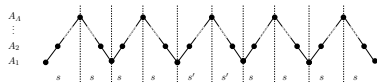
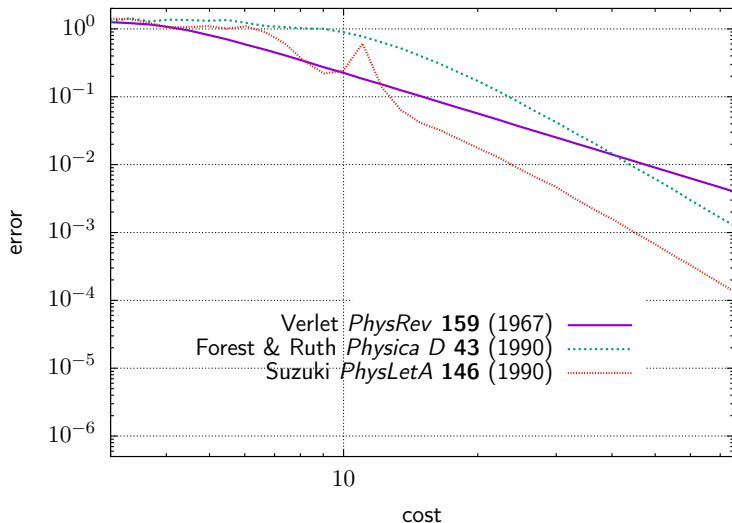
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cycles = 3,

$$\text{Eff}_4 = 0.315$$

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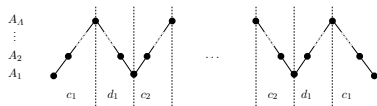
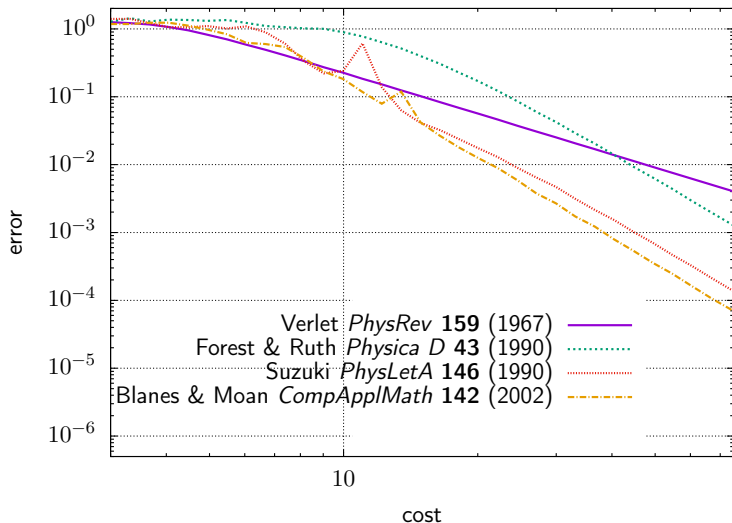
$$s' = \frac{1}{2} - 4s$$

order = 4,

cycles = 5,

$$\text{Eff}_4 = 1.10$$

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$$c_1 \approx 0.08 \quad d_1 \approx 0.13$$

$$c_2 \approx 0.22 \quad d_2 \approx -0.36$$

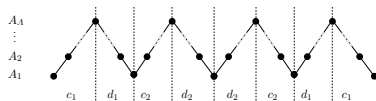
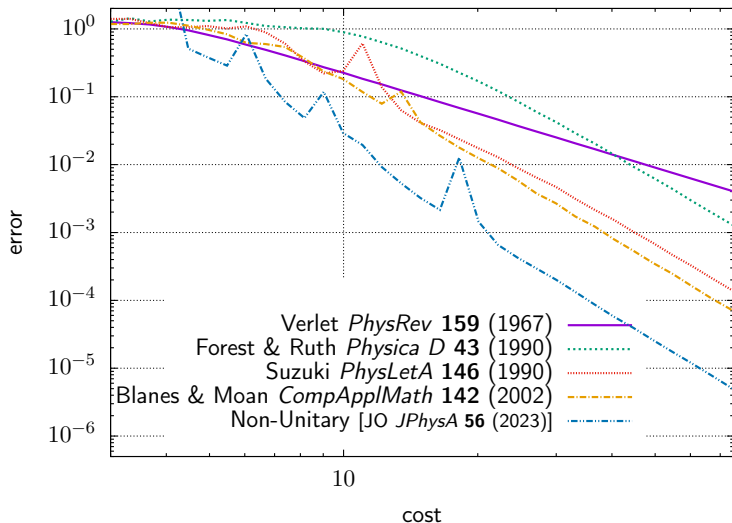
$$c_3 \approx 0.32 \quad d_3 \approx 0.11$$

$$\text{order} = 4,$$

$$\text{cycles} = 6,$$

$$\text{Eff}_4 = 10.2$$

Benchmarking the Heisenberg model



$$c_1 \approx 0.10 + 0.02i$$

$$d_1 \approx 0.15 + 0.07i$$

$$c_2 \approx 0.14 + 0.07i$$

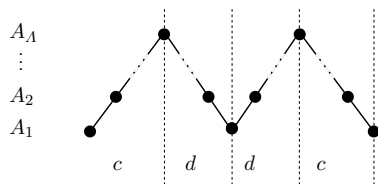
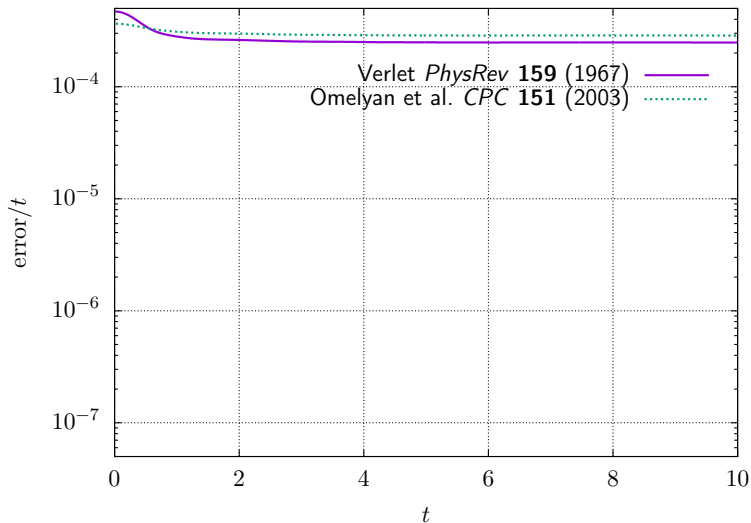
$$d_2 \approx 0.11 - 0.16i$$

order = 4,

cycles = 4,

$$\text{Eff}_4 = 29.9$$

Error accumulation



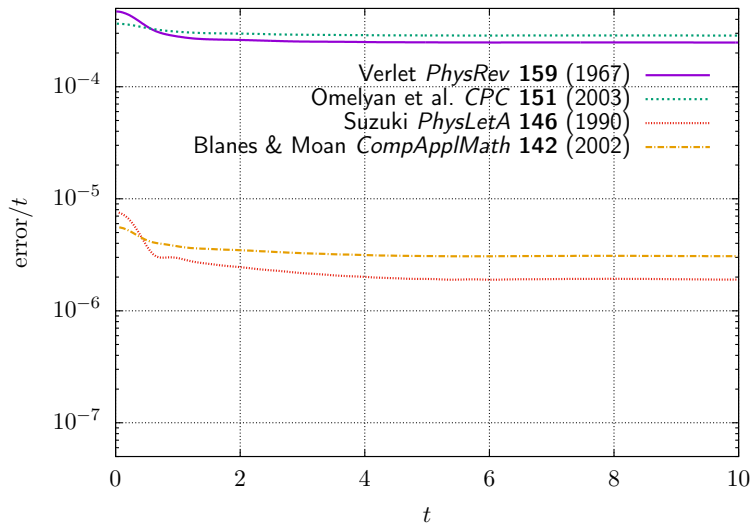
$$c \approx 0.193$$

$$d \approx 0.407$$

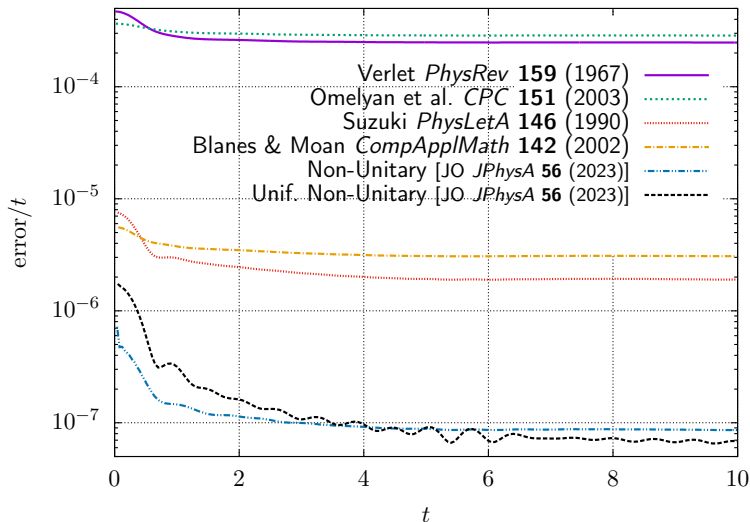
order = 2,

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$$c_1 = 0.1 + 0.025i$$

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$$c_3 = 0.1 + 0.082i$$

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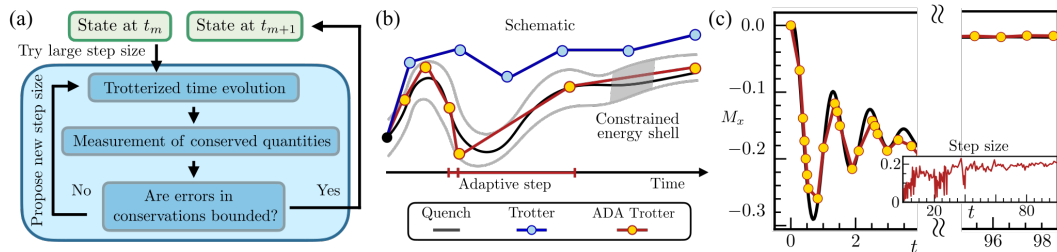
$$\text{cycles} = 5,$$

$$\text{Eff}_4 = 6.38$$

Adaptive step size [Blanes et al. *ApINumMat* **146** (2019); Zhao et al. *PRXQ* **4** (2023)]

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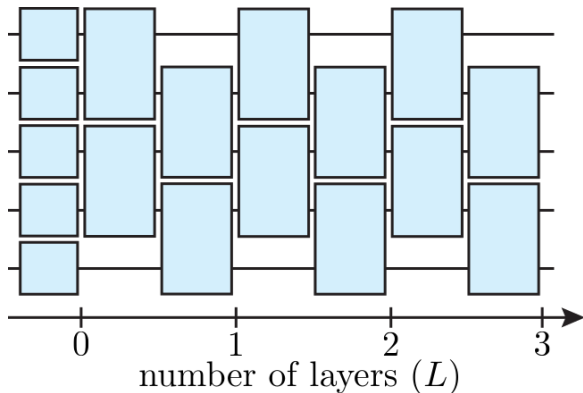


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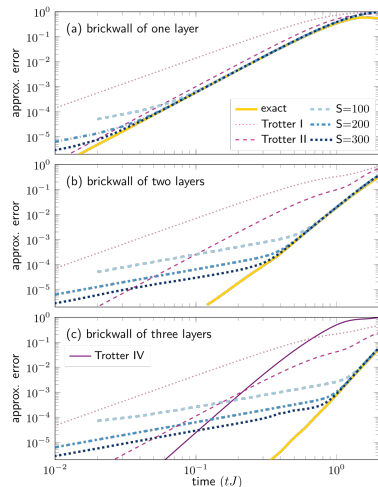
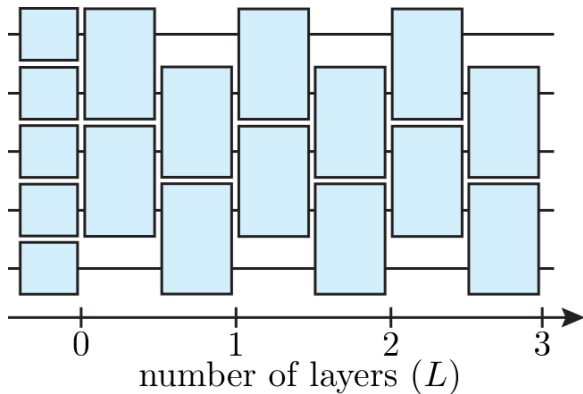


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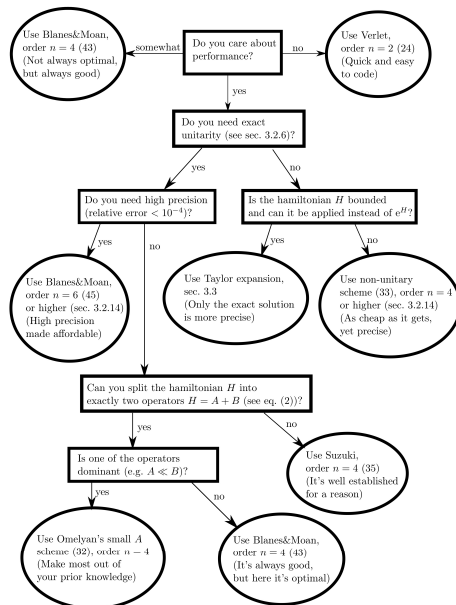
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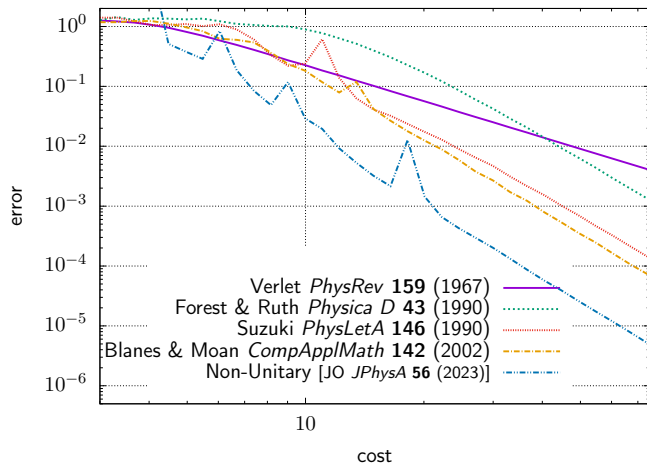
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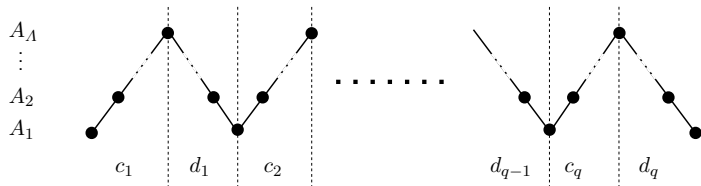
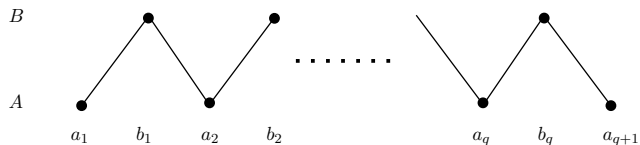
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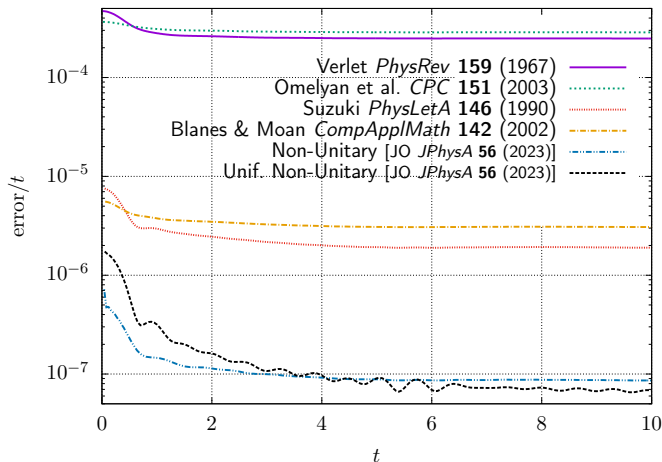
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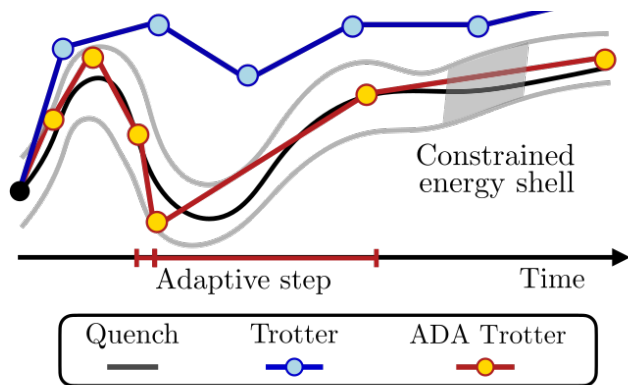
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3. Include in-practice error accumulation.
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Proof of validity of Λ -operator decomposition I

For every $i \in \{1, \dots, q\}$ (setting $d_0 = 0$)

$$\begin{aligned}c_i + d_{i-1} &= a_i - d_{i-1} + d_{i-1} \\ &= a_i ,\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}d_i + c_i &= b_i - c_i + c_i \\ &= b_i ,\end{aligned}$$

i.e. decomposition works trivially for $\Lambda = 2$.

Proof of validity of Λ -operator decomposition II

Use the Baker–Campbell–Hausdorff formula:

$$\left(\prod_{k=1}^{\Lambda} e^{A_k c_i h} \right) = e^{C_1 c_i h + C_2 (c_i h)^2 + C_3 (c_i h)^3 + \dots}$$
$$\left(\prod_{k=\Lambda}^1 e^{A_k d_i h} \right) = e^{D_1 d_i h + D_2 (d_i h)^2 + D_3 (d_i h)^3 + \dots}$$

where $C_1 = D_1 = \sum_{k=1}^{\Lambda} A_k$ and the remaining operators C_l, D_l are some linear combinations of l th order commutators $[A_{k_1}, [A_{k_2}, \dots [A_{k_{l-1}}, A_{k_l}] \dots]]$.

Proof of validity of Λ -operator decomposition III

C_l, D_l are independent of i and for every $\Lambda \geq 2$ all the C_l (D_l) are mutually non-commuting and linearly independent in general. Thus, the right hand side is completely independent of Λ .

For $\Lambda = 2$:

$$e^{h \sum_{k=1}^{\Lambda} A_k + \mathcal{O}(h^{n+1})} = e^{C_1 c_1 h + C_2 (c_1 h)^2 + \dots} e^{D_1 d_1 h + D_2 (d_1 h)^2 + \dots} \\ \dots e^{C_1 c_q h + C_2 (c_q h)^2 + \dots} e^{D_1 d_q h + D_2 (d_q h)^2 + \dots}$$

Since the c_i, d_i fulfil this condition for every C_i, D_i (they solve the corresponding system of polynomial equations), they automatically fulfil it for every Λ .

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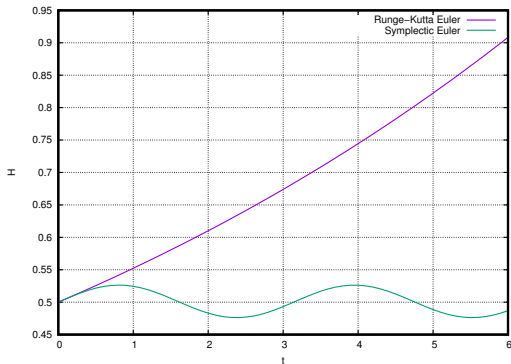
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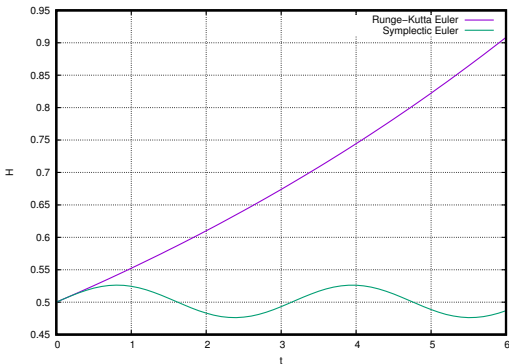
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