



Numerical Approximation of Matrix Functions and Applications

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The Problem

Given $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, approximate

$$x = f(A)v$$

with f regular function such that $f(A)$ is well defined

Focus:

- A large dimension
- A symmetric pos. (semi)def., or A *positive real*

Context

- A of small dimension:

$$A \text{ symmetric, } A = X\Lambda X^{\top} \Rightarrow f(A) = Xf(\Lambda)X^{\top}$$

Similar, but more involved, the definition for A nonsymmetric

- A medium to large dimension:

$$f(A) \quad \text{vs.} \quad f(A)v$$

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- Approximation by projection: Find V and

$$\tilde{x} \in \text{range}(V), \quad \dim \ll n$$

Numerical approximation. II

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The important issues:

- ★ Measures for goodness of approximation?
- ★ Relation between f and quality of approximation
- ★ Relation between A and quality of approximation
- ★ Efficiency ?

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We consider the case of partial fraction expansion:

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mu,\nu}(\lambda) = q(\lambda) + \sum_{k=1}^{\nu} \frac{\omega_k}{\lambda - \xi_k} \quad (\mathcal{R}_{\nu} = \mathcal{R}_{\nu,\nu})$$

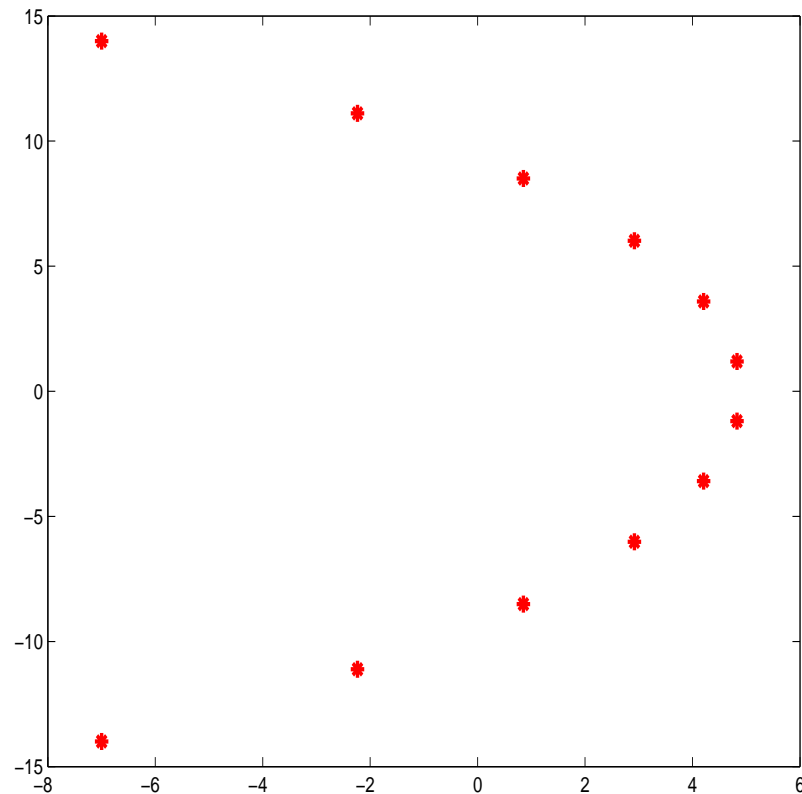
Rational Approximation: poles

$$f(\lambda) = \exp(-\lambda)$$

\mathcal{R}_ν : ℓ_∞ best approx

in $[0, \infty)$, Chebyshev

$$\|f - \mathcal{R}_\nu\|_\infty \approx 10^{-\nu}$$

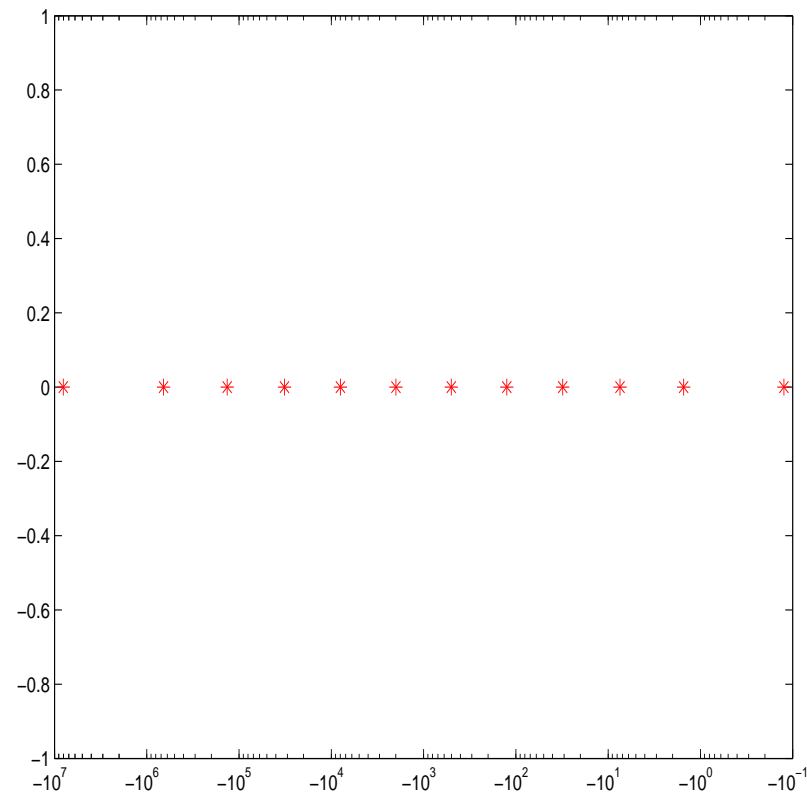


$$f(\lambda) = \lambda^{-1/2}$$

\mathcal{R}_ν : Zolotarev approx

in $[a, b] \subseteq (0, \infty)$

$$\|f - \mathcal{R}_\nu\| \approx e^{-\pi\sqrt{2\nu}}$$



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\Rightarrow Iterative Methods for **shifted** linear systems

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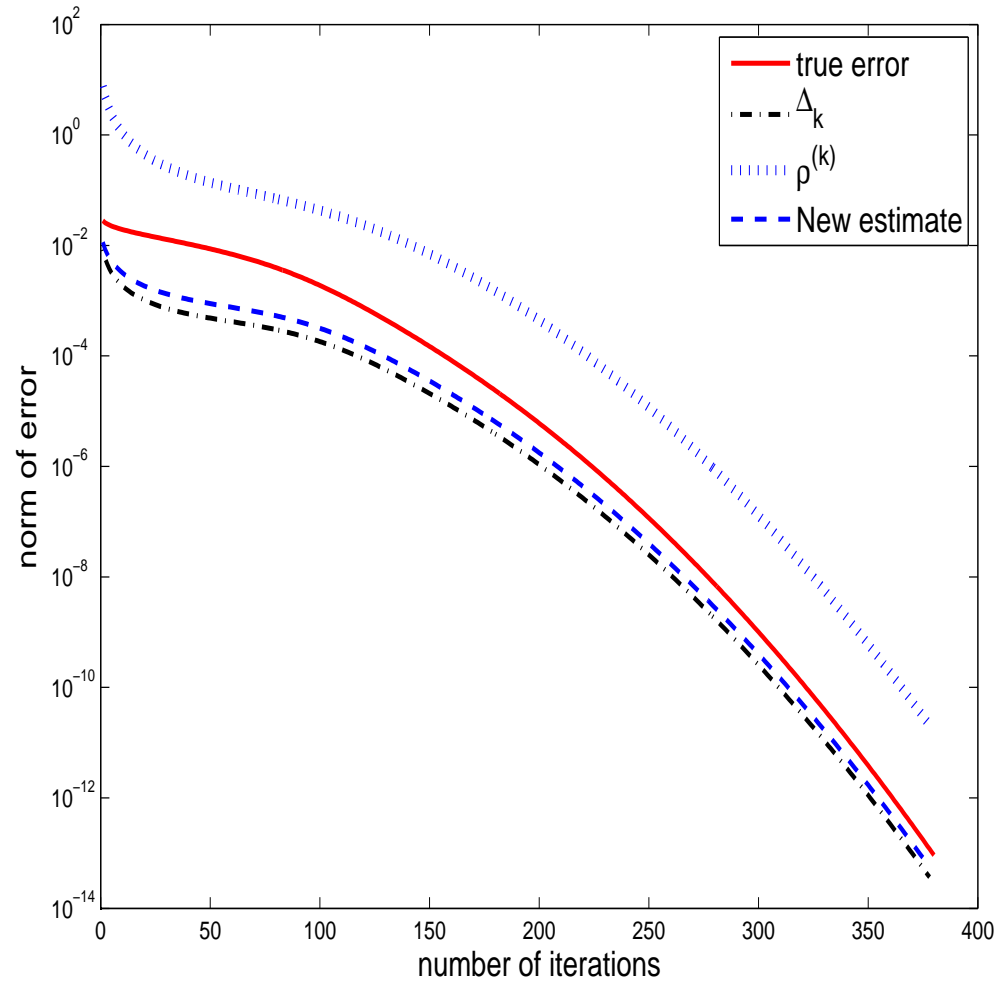
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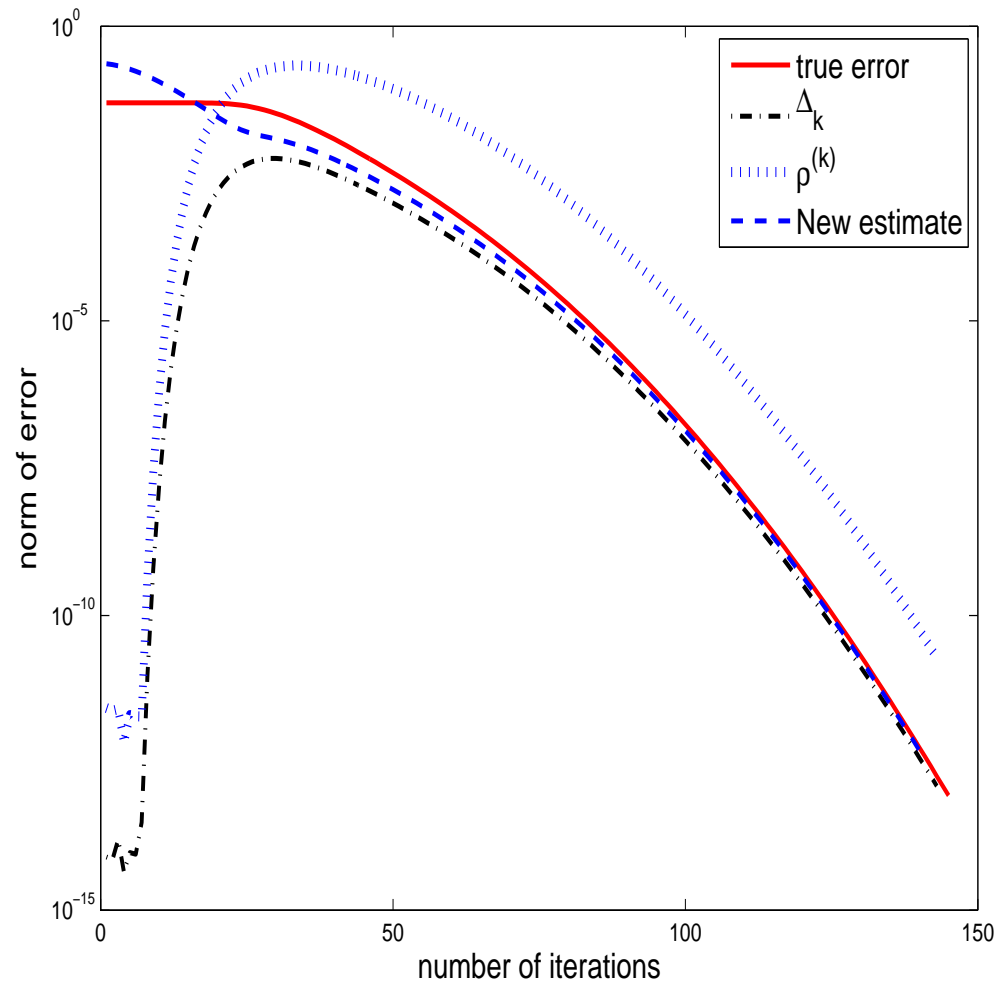
- ★ Does not require spectral info
- ★ Computational cost only 3-5 additional iterations

CG for A spd and $f(\lambda) = \lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}$: $A^{-\frac{1}{2}}v$



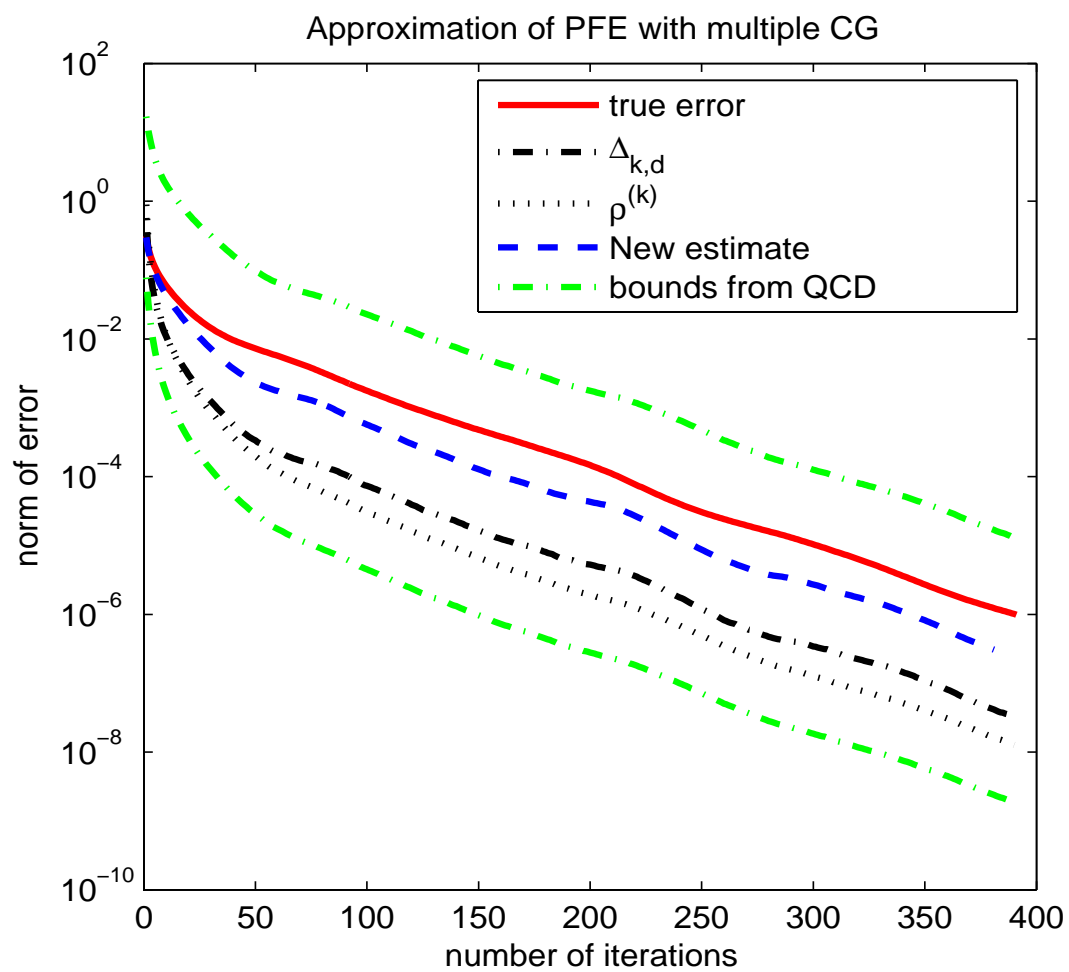
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“complex” CG for A sym-spd and $f(\lambda) = \exp(-\lambda)$: $\exp(-A)v$



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CG for A spd and $f(\lambda) = \text{sign}(\lambda) = (\lambda^2)^{-1/2}\lambda$: $\text{sign}(A)v$



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“Classical” approach (e.g. Saad '92):

$$\text{For } H_m = V_m^\top A V_m, \quad v = V_m e_1$$

$$f(A)v \approx x_m = V_m f(H_m) e_1 \quad \|v\| = 1$$

★ x_m from interpolation pb. in Hermite sense: $V_m f(H_m) e_1 = p_{m-1}(A)v$

Krylov vs. Rational Approximation

Approximation of $\exp(-A)v$ in \mathcal{K}_m . I

Typical convergence estimates (Hochbruck & Lubich '97)

A sym. semidef.

$$\|\exp(-A)v - V_m \exp(-H_m)e_1\| \leq 10e^{-m^2/(5\rho)}, \quad \sqrt{4\rho} \leq m \leq 2\rho$$

$$\|\exp(-A)v - V_m \exp(-H_m)e_1\| \leq \frac{10}{\rho} e^{-\rho} \left(\frac{e\rho}{m}\right)^m, \quad m \geq 2\rho$$

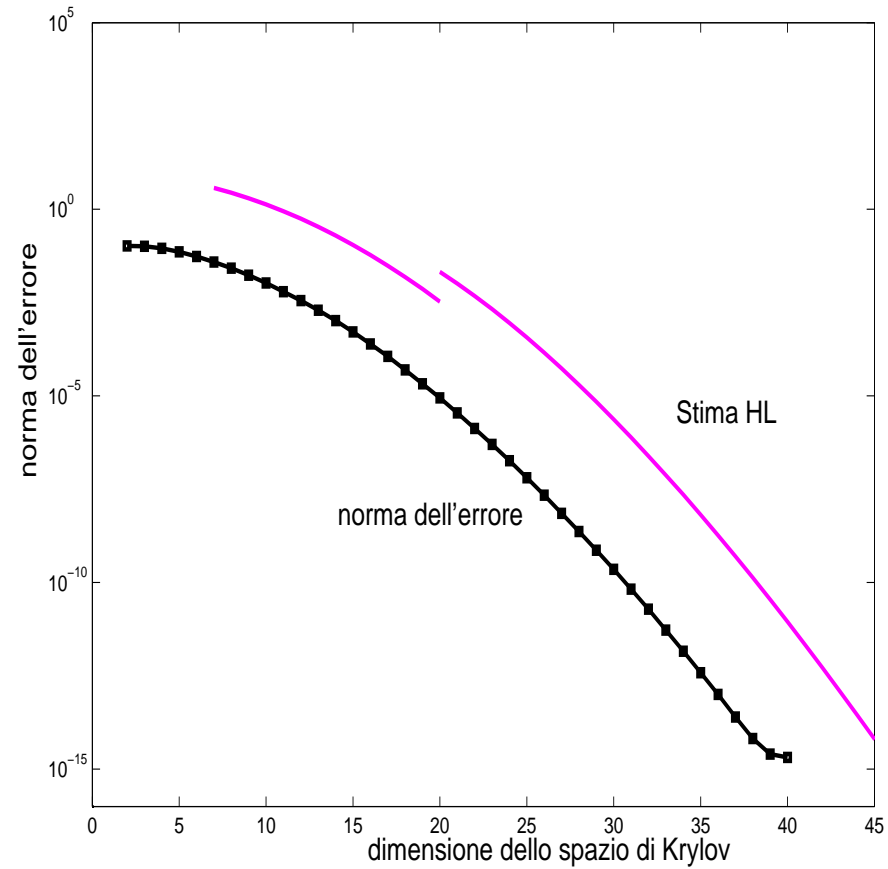
where $\sigma(A) \subseteq [0, 4\rho]$

see also Tal-Ezer '89, Druskin & Knizhnerman '89, Stewart & Leyk '96

Other similar estimates for $\lambda^{-1/2}$, \cosh , *ecc.*

Typical plot for the error

$$\| \exp(-A)v - V_m \exp(-H_m)e_1 \|$$



Superlinear convergence

Application. Evolution Problem

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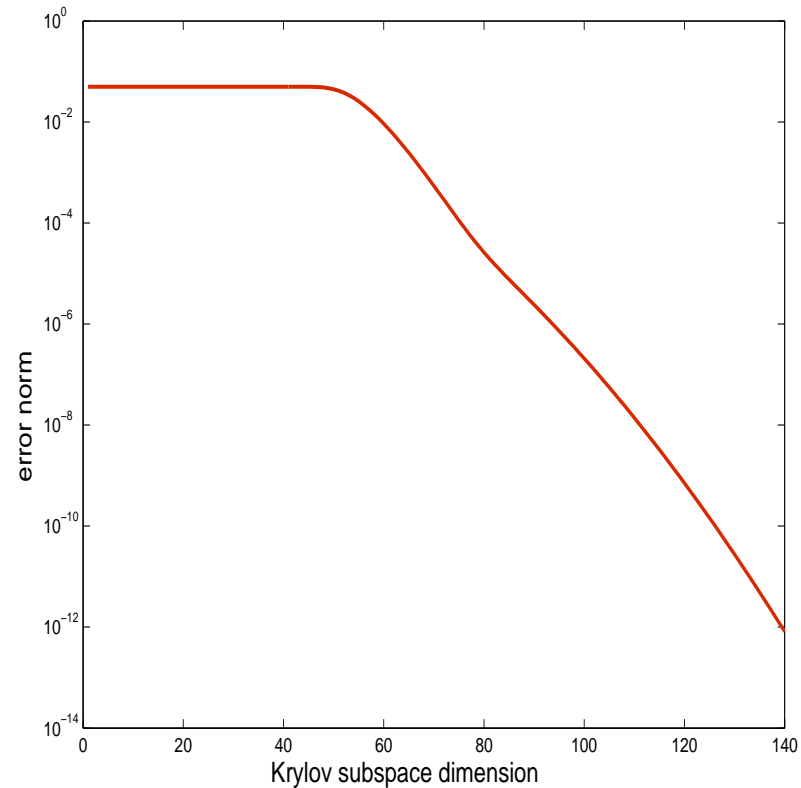
step δt	Euler		Exp	
	CPU	error	CPU	error (#its*)
0.001	1.9	$2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.09	$9 \cdot 10^{-4}(37)$
0.005	0.4	$1 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.07	$4 \cdot 10^{-3}(28)$
0.01	0.2	$2 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.05	$1 \cdot 10^{-2}(25)$

* : Stopping criterion tolerance related to timestep

More general exponential integrators (Hochbruck, Ostermann, Lubich, ...)

...When things are not so easy

$$\| \exp(-A)v - V_m \exp(-H_m)e_1 \| \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{400 \times 400}, \|A\| = 10^5$$



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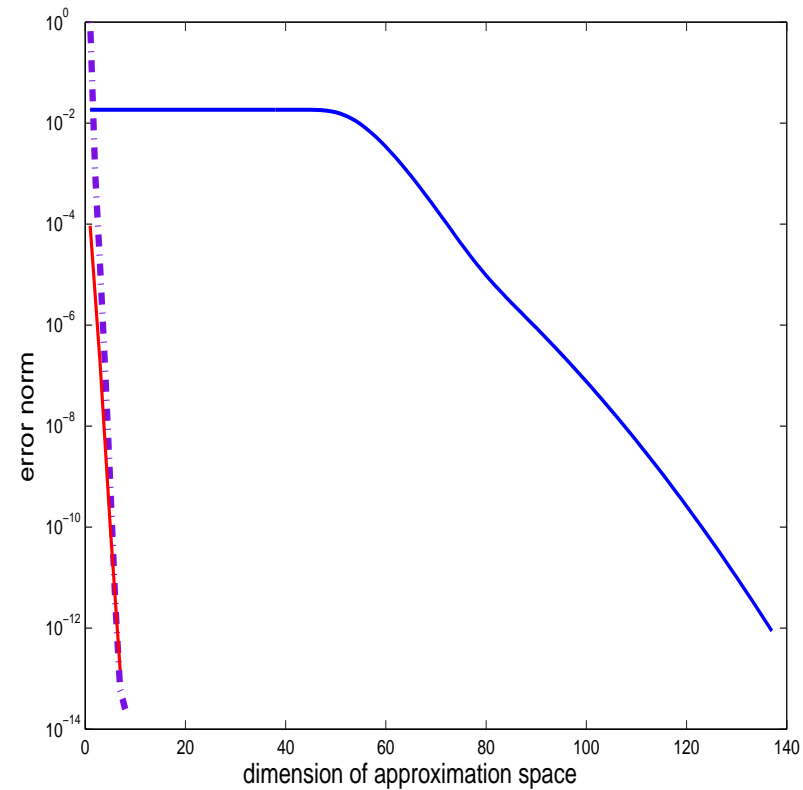
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★: Relaxing optimality properties

- *Local* orthogonality of the basis (Eiermann & Ernst '06)
- Limit costs of rational approx. with $\mathcal{R}_\nu(A)v$ (Popolizio & S. '08)

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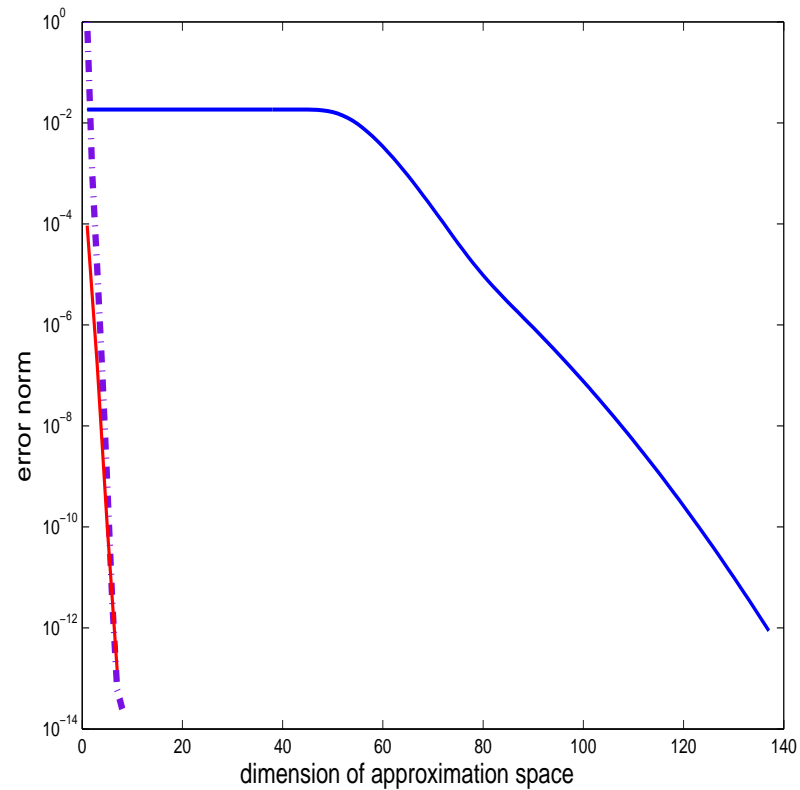
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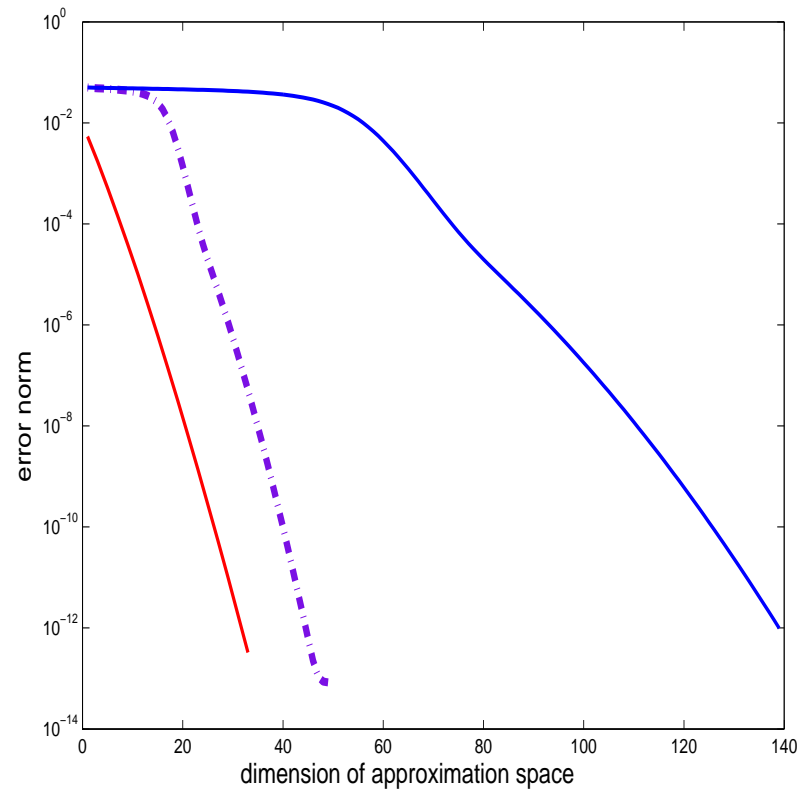
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Applications. II

Lyapunov Equation:

$$AX + XA^T + Q = 0$$

with $-A$ dissipative, $Q = BB^T$ low rank

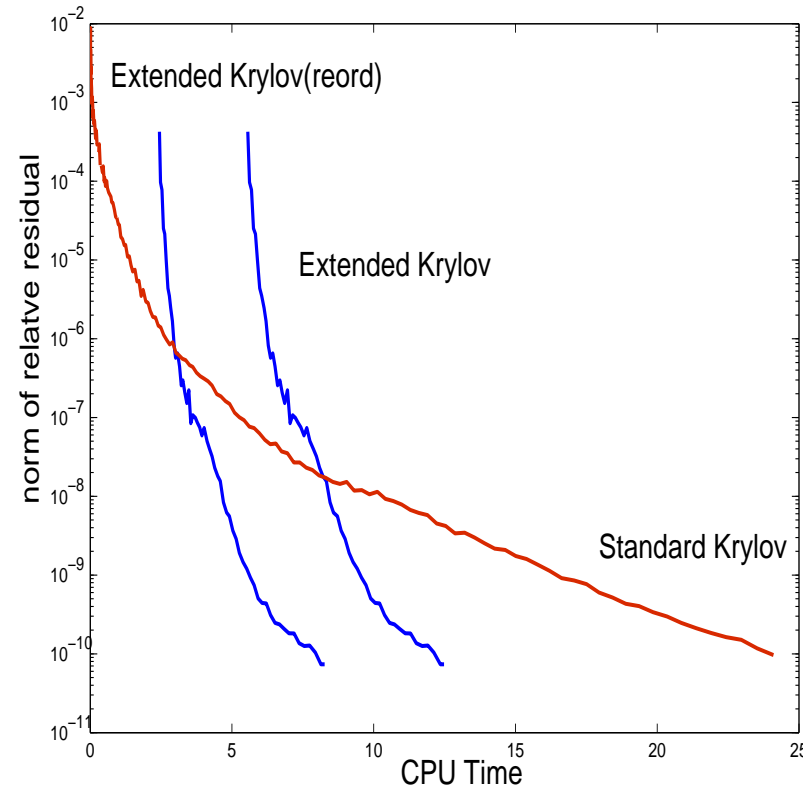
$$X = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-tA} BB^T e^{-tA^T} dt = \int_0^{\infty} xx^T dt$$

with $x = \exp(-tA)B$

Note: X not approximated directly ! ...but approximation idea is exploited

An example. “Time-invariant” linear systems

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{x}_{xx} + \mathbf{x}_{yy} + \mathbf{x}_{zz} - 10x\mathbf{x}_x - 1000y\mathbf{x}_y - 10\mathbf{x}_z + \mathbf{b}(x, y)\mathbf{u}(t)$$



space dim. : 146 (Standard Krylov) 112 (“extended” Krylov) $A \in \mathbb{R}^{18^3 \times 18^3}$

Simoncini, '07, Knizhnerman & S., in prep.

Applications. Ill-posed problem. I

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_{zz} - Lu = 0, \quad (x, y, z) \in \Omega \times [0, z_1] \\ u(x, y, z) = 0, \quad (x, y, z) \in \partial\Omega \times [0, z_1] \\ u(x, y, 0) = g(x, y), \quad (x, y) \in \Omega \\ u_z(x, y, 0) = \mathbf{0}, \quad (x, y) \in \Omega \end{array} \right.$$

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Separation of variables: $u(x, y, z) = \cosh(z\sqrt{L})g$

★: L unbounded $\Rightarrow \cosh(z\sqrt{L})g$ unstable (wrto data perturbations)

L. Eldén & S., in prep.

Applications. Ill-posed problem. II

Regularization: \tilde{g} perturbed data

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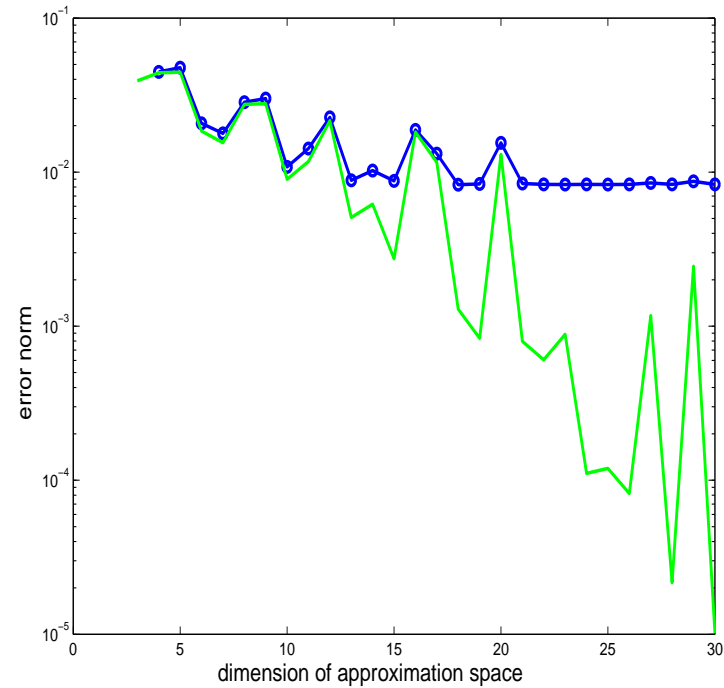
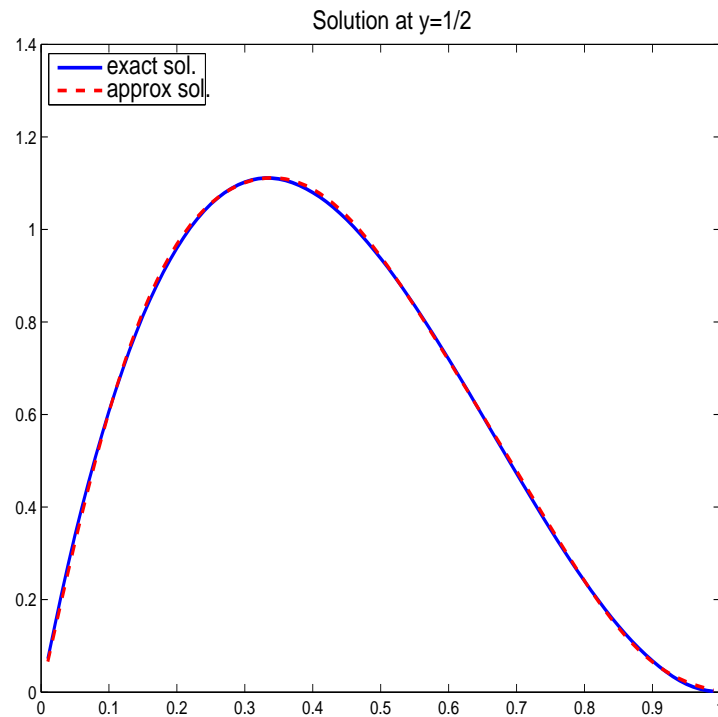
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Approx, for instance, in Krylov subspace $\mathcal{K}_m(L, \tilde{g})$:

$$u^{(m)}(z) = V_m \cosh(z \sqrt{H_m}) e_1 \|g\| \Rightarrow$$
$$\Rightarrow v^{(m)}(z) = V_m \sum_{\theta_j^{(m)} \leq \lambda_c} y_j^{(m)} \cosh(z \theta_j^{(m)}) (y_j^{(m)})^\top e_1 \| \quad \|$$

$((\theta_j^{(m)})^2, y_j^{(m)})$ eigenpairs of H_m

Applications. Ill-posed problem. III



Functional error: - $\|v(z) - v^{(m)}(z)\| \quad z = 0.1$

Perturbation error : - $\|u(z) - v^{(m)}(z)\| \quad z = 0.1$

Conclusions

- Great potential of using $f(A)v$ in application problems
- Exploit low cost of using A instead of $f(A)$
- Further developments in acceleration techniques
- The case of A nonsymmetric

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