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# Projection methods for approximating matrix functions

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## Approximation problem

Given  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $A$  symmetric and negative semidefinite, approximate

$$x = f(A)v \quad \text{e.g.} \quad f(\lambda) = e^\lambda$$

- $f$  analytic function
- Focus:  $A$  large dimension
- General approach:  $x_m \in \mathcal{K}_m$  Krylov subspace

## Problem in context

Wide range of applications. Here we focus on

- Numerical solution of Time-dependent PDEs
- (Analysis of) Low dimensional models of dynamical systems:  
approximate solution to Lyapunov equation

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

- Flows on manifolds

$$Q_t = H(Q, t)Q, \quad Q(t)|_{t=0} = Q_0 \in V_k(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

$V_k$  Stiefel manifold (computation of a few Lyapunov exponents)

## Numerical approximation

$A$  large dimension:

$$x = f(A)v \approx \mathcal{R}_{\mu,\nu}(A)v \quad \mathcal{R}_{\mu,\nu}(\lambda) = \frac{\Phi_{\mu}(\lambda)}{\Psi_{\nu}(\lambda)}$$

- Polynomial approximation,  $\nu = 0$
- Padé (rational function) approximation, e.g.,  $\mu = \nu$
- Chebyshev (rational function) approximation,  $\mu = \nu$
- Restricted Denominator (RD, rational function) approximation
- ...

## Approximation using Krylov subspace

$$\mathcal{K}_m \equiv \mathcal{K}_m(A, v) = \text{span}\{v, Av, \dots, A^{m-1}v\}$$

$$V_m \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \text{range}(V_m) = \mathcal{K}_m(A, v) \quad \text{and} \quad V_m^* V_m = I$$

Arnoldi relation

$$AV_m = V_m H_m + h_{m+1,m} v_{m+1} e_m^*$$

A common approach

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

$x_m$  derived from interpolation problem in Hermite sense (Saad '92)

## Approximation of $\exp(A)v$ in Krylov subspace. I

Typical convergence bounds (Hochbruck & Lubich '97)

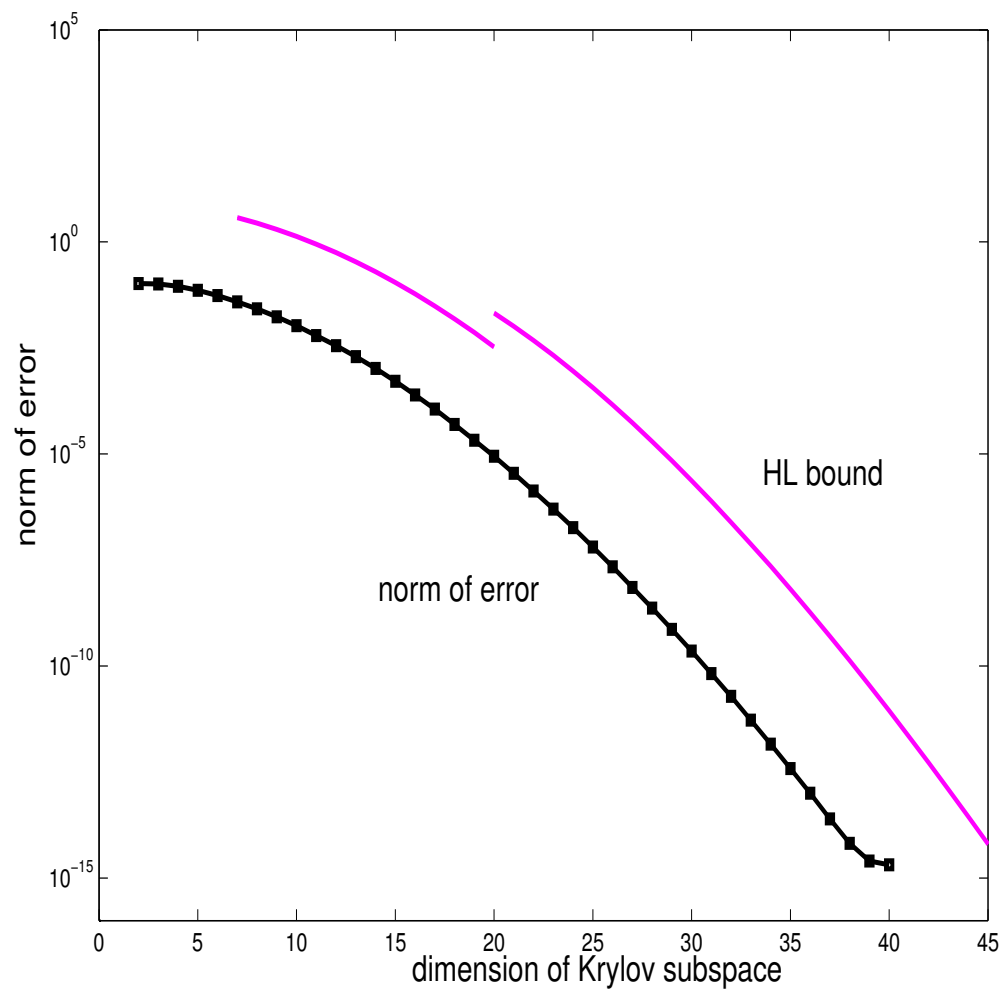
$$\|\exp(A)v - V_m \exp(H_m)e_1\| \leq 10e^{-m^2/(5\rho)}, \quad \sqrt{4\rho} \leq m \leq 2\rho,$$

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

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

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

## A typical picture



Predicts **superlinear convergence**

## Approximation of $\exp(A)v$ in Krylov subspace. II

### Typical a-posteriori estimate

$$\|\exp(A)v - V_m \exp(H_m)e_1\| \approx O(h_{m+1,m} |e_m^* \exp(H_m)e_1|)$$

Note: for  $Ax(t) - x'(t) = 0, x(0) = v$

$$h_{m+1,m} |e_m^* \exp(tH_m)e_1| = \|Ax_m(t) - x'_m(t)\|$$

plays role of residual norm

(see, e.g., Druskin & Greenbaum & Knizhnerman '98)



## Exploring Krylov subspace approximation

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

$$\exp(\lambda) \approx \mathcal{R}_\nu(\lambda) = \frac{\Phi_\nu(\lambda)}{\Psi_\nu(\lambda)} \quad \text{Rational function approx}$$

- Increase our understanding of approximation in  $\mathcal{K}_m(A, v)$
- Set up the stage for acceleration procedures

Mostly taken from: Lopez & S. (to appear in SINUM)

## Projection of Rational functions onto Krylov subspaces

Basic fact:

If, for instance,  $x_m \approx \mathcal{R}_\nu(A)v$  rational approx. then

$$\|\exp(A)v - x_m\| \leq \|\exp(A)v - \mathcal{R}_\nu(A)v\| + \|\mathcal{R}_\nu(A)v - x_m\|$$

**Focus:**  $\mathcal{R}_\nu = \Phi_\nu / \Psi_\nu$  Padé and Chebyshev approximation

( $\Psi_\nu(A)$  positive definite)

## Projection onto Krylov subspace

$$x_{\star} = \mathcal{R}_{\nu}(A)v = \Psi_{\nu}(A)^{-1}\Phi_{\nu}(A)v \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad x_{\star} \text{ solves } \Psi_{\nu}(A)x = \Phi_{\nu}(A)v$$

Galerkin approximation in  $\mathcal{K}_m(A, v)$ :

$$\text{Solve } V_m^* \Psi_{\nu}(A) V_m y = V_m^* \Phi_{\nu}(A) v, \quad x_m^G = V_m y_m^G$$

Minimization property:

$$\min_{x \in \mathcal{K}_m(A, v)} \|x_{\star} - x\|_{\Psi_{\nu}(A)} = \|x_{\star} - x_m^G\|_{\Psi_{\nu}(A)}$$

## Linear bounds for convergence rate

Using Partial Fraction expansion:

$$\frac{\Phi_\nu(\lambda)}{\Psi_\nu(\lambda)} = \tau_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \frac{\tau_j}{\lambda - \xi_j}$$

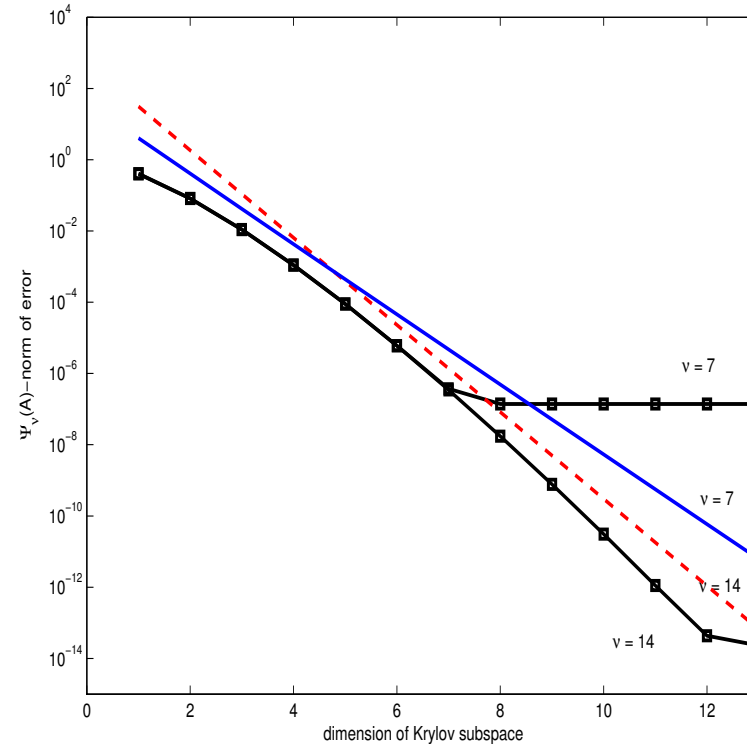
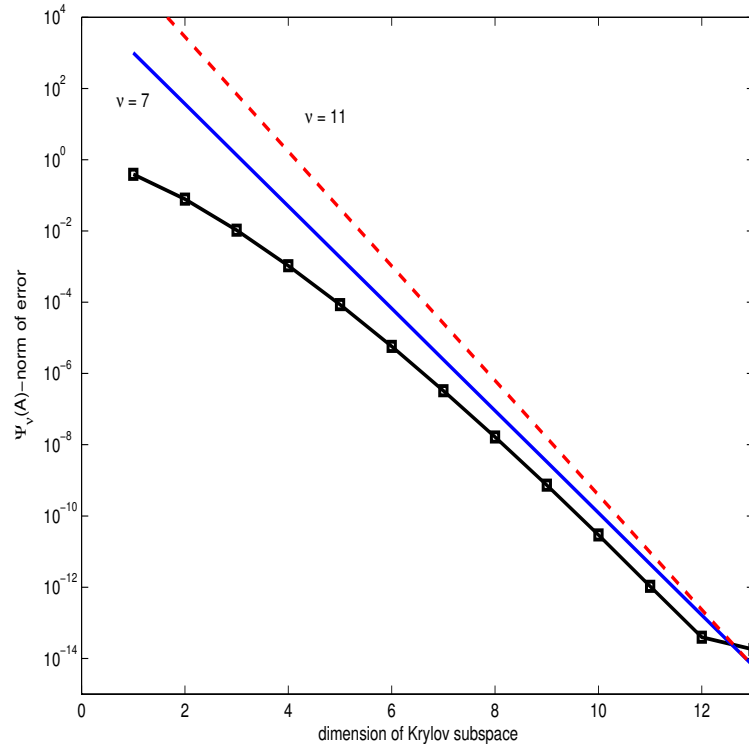
$$x_\star = \Psi_\nu(A)^{-1} \Phi_\nu(A) v = \tau_0 v + \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \tau_j (A - \xi_j I)^{-1} v$$

Convergence bound:

$$\frac{\|x_\star - x_m^G\|_{\Psi_\nu(A)}}{\|x_\star - x_0^G\|_{\Psi_\nu(A)}} \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \eta_j \frac{1}{\rho_j^m + 1/\rho_j^m}$$

$$\rho_j = \rho_j(\sigma(A), \xi_j) \quad \eta_j = \eta_j(\sigma(A), \xi_j)$$

## Galerkin approximation



$A = \text{diag}(\log(\text{linspace}(0.2, 0.99, 100))), \nu = 1$

Left: Padé and upper bound for  $\nu = 7, 11$

Right: Chebyshev and upper bounds for  $\nu = 7, 14$

## Krylov approximation

$$x_\star = \exp(A)v \quad \approx \quad V_m \exp(H_m)e_1 \approx$$
$$V_m y_m^K = V_m \Psi_\nu(H_m)^{-1} \Phi_\nu(H_m)e_1$$

$V_m y_m^K$  is a term-wise Galerkin projection: (van der Vorst, '87)

$$x_\star = \tau_0 v + \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \tau_j (A - \xi_j I)^{-1} v \approx \tau_0 v + \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \tau_j V_m (H_m - \xi_j I)^{-1} e_1$$
$$= V_m \Psi_\nu(H_m)^{-1} \Phi_\nu(H_m)e_1 \equiv V_m y_m^K$$

## A-posteriori estimate and residual

$$x_{\star} = \tau_0 v + \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \tau_j (A - \xi_j I)^{-1} v \approx V_m \left( \tau_0 e_1 + \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \tau_j (H_m - \xi_j I)^{-1} e_1 \right)$$

Defining  $r_m^K := \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \tau_j r_m^{(j)}$  ( $r_m^{(j)}$  single residuals) we have

$$h_{m+1,m} |e_m^* y_m^K| = \|r_m^K\|$$

## Comparison with Galerkin approximation

Galerkin and Krylov solutions “hand-in-hand” convergence:

If  $m > \nu$ , then

$$\|y_m^G - y_m^K\| \leq \gamma \|(y_m^K)_{m-\nu+1:m}\|, \quad \gamma = O(h_{m+1,m}^2)$$

where

$$|e_k^* y_m^K| \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \frac{|\tau_j|}{\sigma_{\min}(H_m - \xi_j I)} \|r_{k-1}^{(j)}\|, \quad 1 < k \leq m$$

$r_{k-1}^{(j)}$  residual of system  $(A - \xi_j I)x = v$  after  $k - 1$  iterations

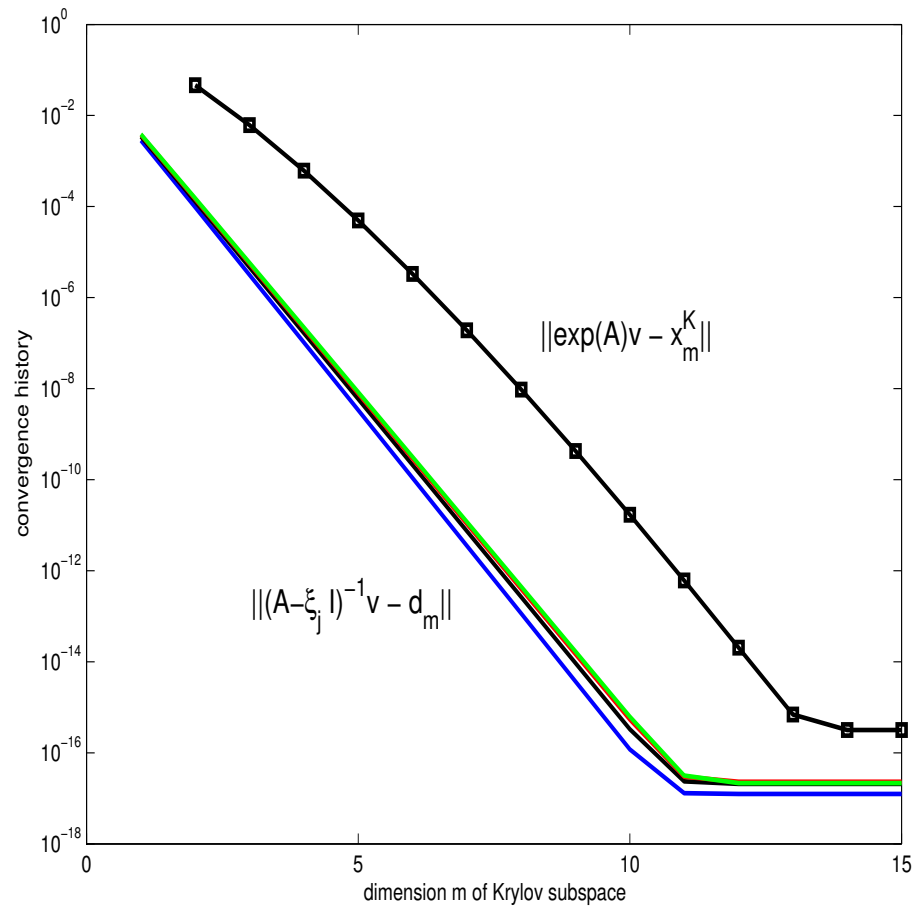
$\tau_j$  partial fraction coeff's

$\sigma_{\min}(\cdot)$  smallest singular value



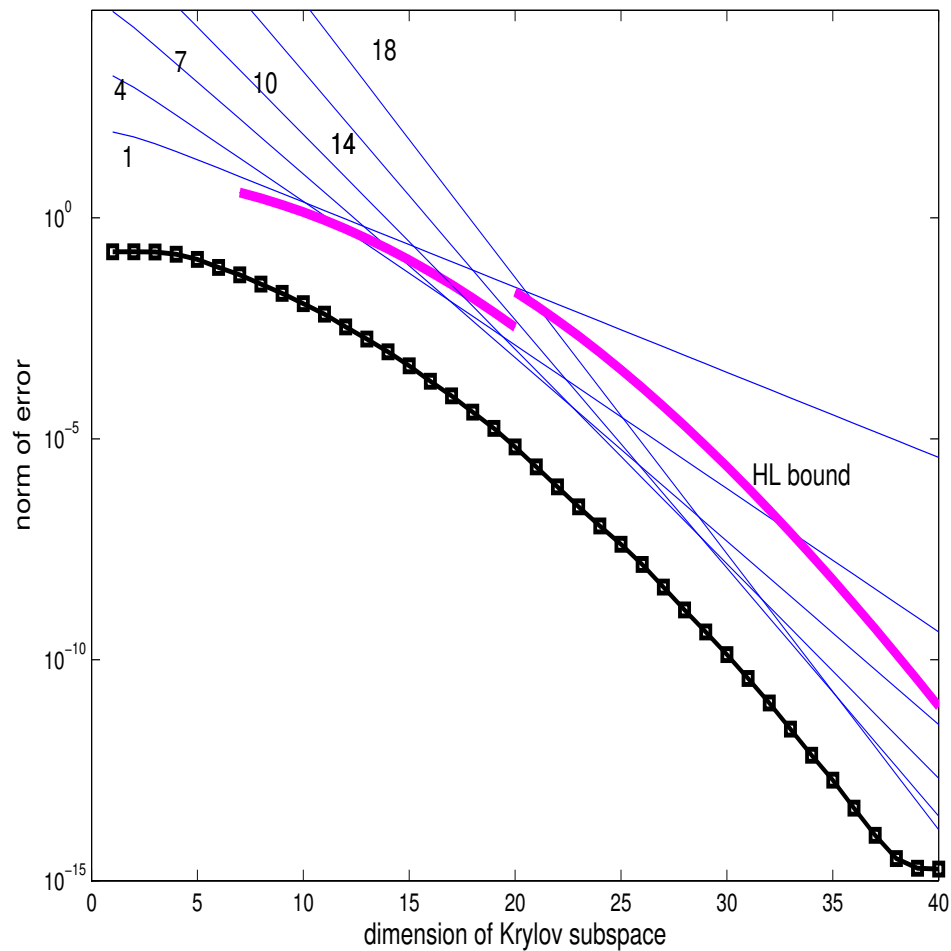
★ Similar (linear) convergence estimates as for Galerkin

★ Relation to convergence of systems  $(A - \xi_j I)x = v, j = 1, \dots, \nu$



(Padé,  $\nu = 7$ )

## Recovering superlinear convergence



$A \in \mathbb{R}^{1001 \times 1001}$ , diagonal, uniform distr. in  $[-40, 0]$

## Acceleration strategies I

Hochbruck & van den Eshof ('05)

$$\begin{aligned}x &= f(A)v & \Rightarrow & \\x_m &\in \mathcal{K}_m((I - \gamma A)^{-1}, v) \\x_m &= V_m f\left(\frac{1}{\gamma}(H_m^{-1} - I)\right)e_1\end{aligned}$$

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

**However:**

If  $f(\lambda) = \mathcal{R}_\nu(\lambda)$ ,  $x_m$  corresponds to preconditioning  
 $(A - \xi_j I)d = v$ :

$$x = \tau_0 v + \sum_j \tau_j (A - \xi_j I)^{-1} v$$

$$(A - \xi_j I)d = v \quad \text{preconditioned with} \quad (A - \frac{1}{\gamma} I)$$

(Popolizio & S., in preparation)

## Acceleration strategies II

Eiermann & Ernst (Tr. '05)

Restarting procedure (small  $m$ )

However:

If  $f(\lambda) = \mathcal{R}_\nu(\lambda)$ , restarted procedure corresponds to restarted FOM on each  $(A - \xi_j)d = v$ :

$$x = \tau_0 v + \sum_j \tau_j (A - \xi_j I)^{-1} v$$

FOM( $m$ ) for  $(A - \xi_j I)d = v$

## Structure preserving approaches

Motivational problem:

Approximate  $k$  largest Lyapunov exponents of

$$x'(t) = \mathcal{A}(t)x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

This can be accomplished by using the associated system

$$Q_t = A(Q, t)Q, \quad Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k} \quad A \text{ skew-sym}$$

$Q$  orthonormal columns (Stiefel manifold)

Goal:

numerical method that preserves orthogonality for long time intervals

★  $A$  skew-sym.  $\Rightarrow \exp(tA)$  unitary,  $Q = \exp(tA)Q^{(0)}$  orthogonal

## Preserving orthogonality in Krylov subspace

Let  $Q^{(0)} = [q_1^{(0)}, \dots, q_k^{(0)}]$

Regular Krylov subspaces  $\mathcal{K}_m(A, q_i^{(0)})$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$

$A$  skew-sym  $\Rightarrow H_{m,i}$  skew-sym  $\Rightarrow \exp(tH_{m,i})$  unitary

This is not enough:

$$\exp(tA)q_i^{(0)} \approx q_i = V_{m,i} \exp(tH_{m,i})e_1$$

$\{q_1, \dots, q_k\}$  not orthogonal (though unit norm)

## Block Krylov methods come to rescue

Block Krylov subspace  $\mathcal{K}_m(A, Q^{(0)})$        $Q^{(0)} = [q_1^{(0)}, \dots, q_k^{(0)}]$

- $\mathcal{V}_m$  orthonormal columns,

$$\mathcal{H}_m = \mathcal{V}_m^T A \mathcal{V}_m \text{ skew-sym}$$

- $\mathcal{V}_m \exp(t\mathcal{H}_m) E_1$  orthonormal columns
- $\mathcal{V}_m \mathcal{R}_\nu(t\mathcal{H}_m) E_1$  orthonormal columns (Padé approx)



## Further generalizations. I

$A$  skew-symmetric and **Hamiltonian**

- $\exp(tA)$  ortho-symplectic - w.r.to  $J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ -I & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
  - $Q^{(0)}$  ortho-symplectic then  $\exp(tA)Q^{(0)}$  ortho-symplectic
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Block Krylov approximation:

- Choose *some* of the columns  $\tilde{Q}^{(0)}$  of  $Q^{(0)}$ ,

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{Q}_1^{(0)} & \tilde{Q}_2^{(0)} \\ \tilde{Q}_2^{(0)} & -\tilde{Q}_1^{(0)} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{K}_m(A, V)$$

- $\mathcal{V}_m \exp(t\mathcal{H}_m)E_1$  columns of an ortho-symplectic matrix

## Further generalizations. II

A **Hamiltonian**:  $Q^{(0)}$  symplectic then  $\exp(A)Q^{(0)}$  symplectic

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Construct symplectic basis  $\mathcal{V}_m$  and (logically) Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H}_m$ :

Block Lanczos procedure in the block  $J$ -inner product:

$$[X, Y]_J = J_2^T X J Y \quad X, Y \in \mathbb{R}^{2n \times 2}$$

$$J_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## An example

Linear Hamiltonian system: 
$$\begin{cases} q' = Aq & A = J^{-1}S \\ q(0) = q_0 \end{cases}$$

with  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{400 \times 400}$  symmetric (eigs. in  $[1, 100]$ )

**Note.** Energy function:  $E(q(t)) = q(t)^T S q(t)$ , constant for all  $t > 0$

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**Numerical symplectic integrator:** starting with  $q^{(0)} = q_0$ ,

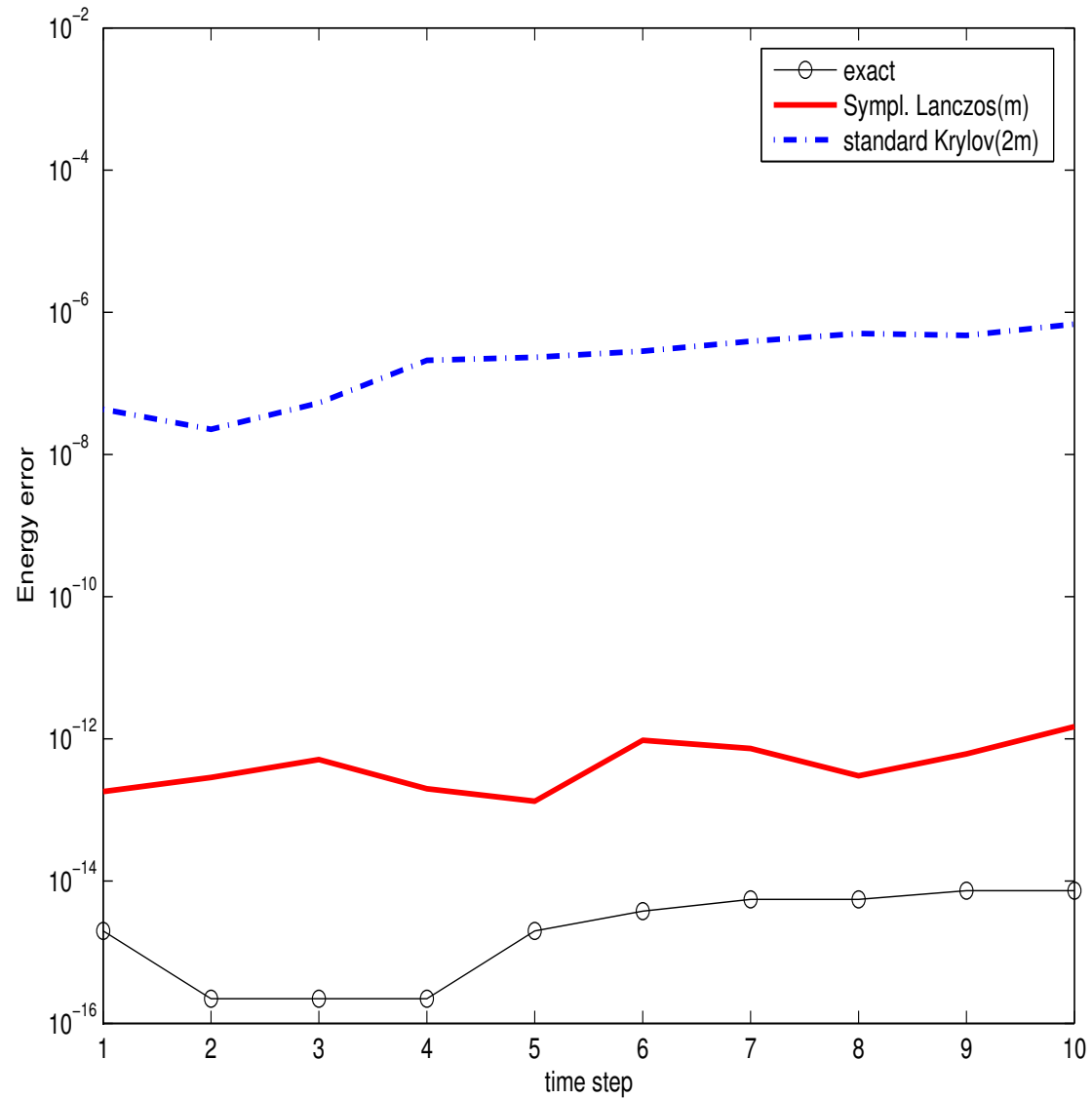
$$q^{(r+1)} = \exp(hA)q^{(r)}, \quad r \geq 0 \quad h = \frac{1}{40}$$

★  $x_m = \exp(hA)q^{(r)}$  standard Krylov subspace approximation

⇒ energy function is **not** constant, unless  $x_m$  is accurate

Conservation of energy.

Error:  $|E(q^{(r)}) - E(q_0)|$



## Conclusions and Outlook

- ★ Rational function approximation is insightful framework
- ★ Appropriate variants allow structure preservation
- Natural generalizations ( $A$  nonsymmetric, other functions, etc.)
- Acceleration procedures