

# Exponential Integrators

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# Exponential Integrators

- Typical stiff nonlinear initial value problem:

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + \eta y = f(t, y), \quad y(0) = y_0.$$

- **Stiff:** Nonlinearity  $f$  varies slowly in  $t$  compared with the value of the linear coefficient  $\eta$ :

$$\left| \frac{1}{f} \frac{df}{dt} \right| \ll |\eta|$$

- Goal: Solve on the linear time scale exactly; avoid the linear time-step restriction  $\eta\tau \ll 1$ .
- **In the presence of nonlinearity,** straightforward integrating factor methods (cf. Lawson 1967) do not remove the explicit restriction on the linear time step  $\tau$ .

- Instead, discretize the perturbed problem with a scheme that is exact on the time scale of the solvable part.

# Exponential Euler Algorithm

- Express exact evolution of  $y$  in terms of  $P(t) = e^{\eta t}$ :

$$y(t) = P^{-1}(t) \left( y_0 + \int_0^t f P d\bar{t} \right).$$

- Change variables:  $P d\bar{t} = \eta^{-1} dP \Rightarrow$

$$y(t) = P^{-1}(t) \left( y_0 + \eta^{-1} \int_1^{P(t)} f dP \right).$$

- Rectangular approximation of integral  $\Rightarrow$  **Exponential Euler:**

$$y_{i+1} = P^{-1} \left( y_i + \frac{P - 1}{\eta} f_i \right),$$

where  $P = e^{\eta\tau}$  and  $\tau$  is the time step.

- The discretization is now with respect to  $P$  instead of  $t$ .

# Exponential Euler Algorithm (E-Euler)

$$y_{i+1} = e^{-\eta\tau} y_i + \frac{1 - e^{-\eta\tau}}{\eta} f(y_i),$$

- Also called **Exponentially Fitted Euler**, **ETD Euler**, **filtered Euler**, **Lie–Euler**.
- As  $\tau \rightarrow 0$  the Euler method is recovered:

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \tau f(y_i).$$

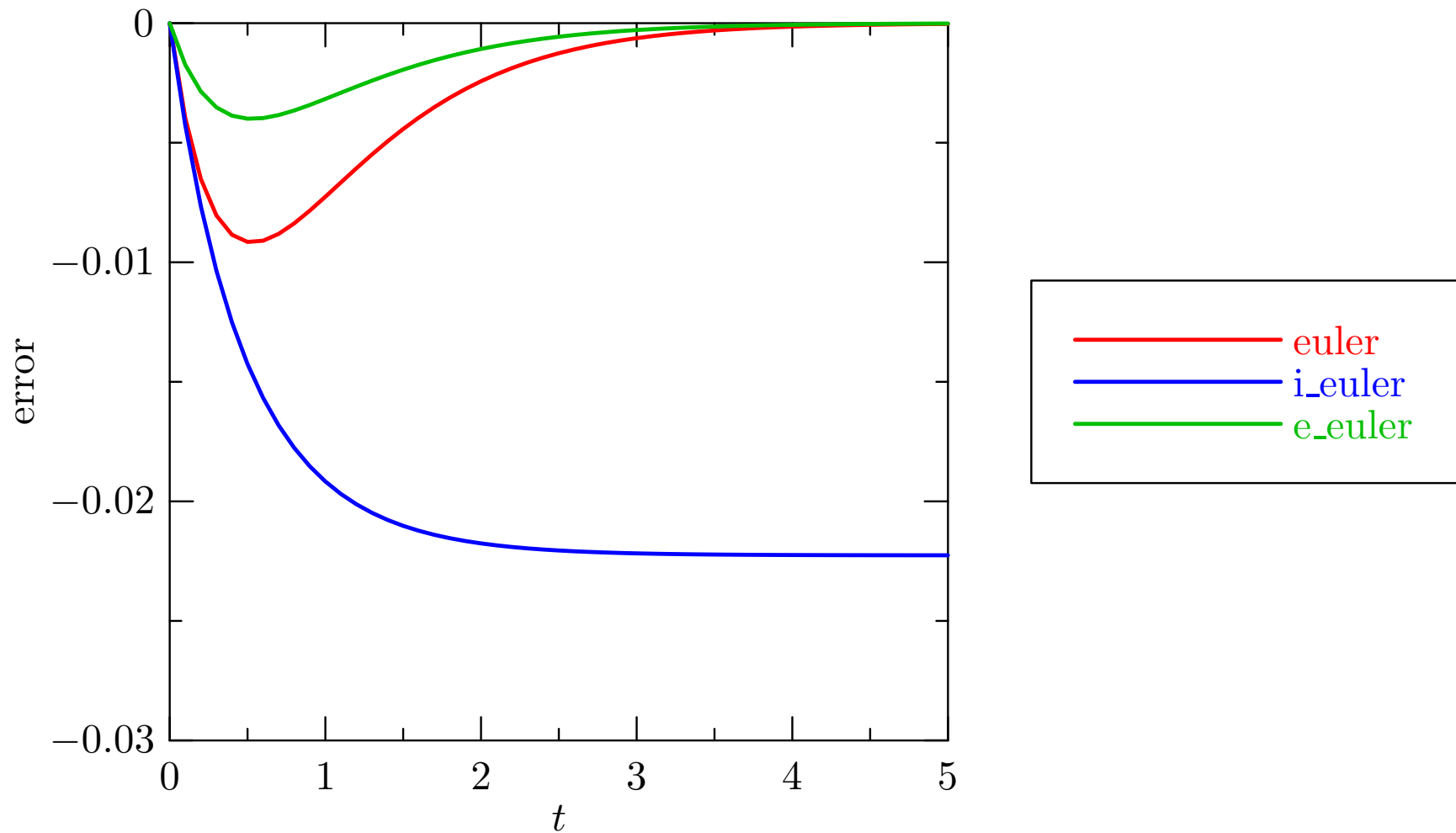
- If E-Euler has a fixed point, it must satisfy  $y = \frac{f(y)}{\eta}$ ; this is then a fixed point of the ODE.
- In contrast, the popular **Integrating Factor** method (I-Euler).

$$y_{i+1} = e^{-\eta\tau} (y_i + \tau f_i)$$

can at best have an incorrect fixed point:  $y = \frac{\tau f(y)}{e^{\eta\tau} - 1}$ .

# Comparison of Euler Integrators

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + y = \cos y, \quad y(0) = 1.$$



# History

- Certaine [1960]: Exponential Adams-Moulton
- Nørsett [1969]: Exponential Adams-Bashforth
- Verwer [1977] and van der Houwen [1977]: Exponential linear multistep method
- Friedli [1978]: Exponential Runge-Kutta
- Hochbruck *et al.* [1998]: Exponential integrators up to order 4
- Beylkin *et al.* [1998]: Exact Linear Part (ELP)
- Cox & Matthews [2002]: ETDRK3, ETDRK4; worst case: stiff order 2
- Lu [2003]: Efficient Matrix Exponential



- Hochbruck & Ostermann [2005a],  
Hochbruck & Ostermann [2005b]:      Explicit      Exponential  
Runge-Kutta; stiff order conditions.

# Generalization

- Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a linear operator with a stationary Green's function  $G(t, t') = G(t - t')$ :

$$\frac{\partial G(t, t')}{\partial t} + \mathcal{L}G(t, t') = \delta(t - t').$$

- Let  $f$  be a continuous function of  $y$ . Then the ODE

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + \mathcal{L}y = f(y), \quad y(0) = y_0,$$

has the formal solution

$$y(t) = e^{-\int_0^t \mathcal{L} dt'} y_0 + \int_0^t G(t - t') f(y(t')) dt'.$$

- Letting  $s = t - t'$ :

$$y(t) = e^{-\int_0^t \mathcal{L} dt'} y_0 + \int_0^t G(s) f(y(t-s)) ds.$$

- Change integration variable to  $h = H(s) = \int_0^s G(\bar{s}) d\bar{s}$ :

$$y(t) = e^{-\int_0^t \mathcal{L} dt'} y_0 + \int_1^{H(t)} f(y(t - H^{-1}(h))) dh.$$

- Rectangular rule  $\Rightarrow$  **Predictor (Euler)**:

$$\tilde{y}(t) \approx e^{-\int_0^t \mathcal{L} dt'} y_0 + f(y(0))H(t).$$

- Trapezoidal rule  $\Rightarrow$  **Corrector**:

$$y(t) \approx e^{-\int_0^t \mathcal{L} dt'} y_0 + \frac{f(y(0)) + f(\tilde{y}(t))}{2} H(t).$$

# Other Generalizations

- Higher-order exponential integrators: Hochbruck *et al.* [1998], Cox & Matthews [2002], Hochbruck & Ostermann [2005a], Bowman *et al.* [2006].
- **Vector case** (matrix exponential  $\mathbf{P} = e^{\eta t}$ ).
- Exponential versions of Conservative Integrators [Bowman *et al.* 1997], [Shadwick *et al.* 1999], [Kotovych & Bowman 2002].
- Lagrangian discretizations of **advection equations** are also exponential integrators:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + v \frac{\partial}{\partial x} u = f(x, t, u), \quad u(x, 0) = u_0(x).$$

- $\eta$  now represents the linear operator  $v \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$

$\mathcal{P}^{-1}u = e^{-tv \frac{\partial}{\partial x}} u$  corresponds to the Taylor series of  $u(x - vt)$ .

# Higher-Order Integrators

- General  $s$ -stage Runge–Kutta scheme:

$$y_i = y_0 + \tau \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} a_{ij} f(y_j, t + b_j \tau), \quad (i = 1, \dots, s).$$

- Butcher Tableau ( $s=4$ ):

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} b_0 & a_{10} & & & \\ b_1 & a_{20} & a_{21} & & \\ b_2 & a_{30} & a_{31} & a_{32} & \\ b_3 & a_{40} & a_{41} & a_{42} & a_{43} \end{array}$$

# Higher-Order Exponential Integrators

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + \eta y = f(t, y), \quad y(0) = y_0.$$

- Let  $x = e^{\eta t}$ ,  $u = xy$ . Then  $dx/dt = \eta x$ , so that

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{d(xy)}{dx} = y + x \frac{dt}{dx} \frac{dy}{dt} = y + \frac{1}{\eta} (f - \eta y) = \frac{f}{\eta}$$

- Apply conventional integrator to

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{f}{\eta}.$$

- When  $y$  is evolved from  $t = 0$  to  $t = \tau$ , the new independent variable goes from  $x = 1$  to  $x = e^{\eta\tau}$ .

# Vector Case

- When  $\mathbf{y}$  is a vector,  $\boldsymbol{\nu}$  is typically a matrix:

$$\frac{d\mathbf{y}}{dt} + \boldsymbol{\nu}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}).$$

- Let  $\mathbf{z} = -\boldsymbol{\nu}\tau$ . Discretization involves

$$\varphi_1(\mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{z}^{-1}(e^{\mathbf{z}} - \mathbf{1}).$$

- Higher-order exponential integrators require

$$\varphi_j(\mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{z}^{-j} \left( e^{\mathbf{z}} - \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} \frac{\mathbf{z}^k}{k!} \right).$$

- Exercise care when  $\mathbf{z}$  has an eigenvalue near zero!
- Although a variable time step requires re-evaluation of the matrix exponential, this is not an issue for problems where the evaluation of the nonlinear term dominates the computation.
- Pseudospectral turbulence codes: **diagonal** matrix exponential.

# Charged Particle in Electromagnetic Fields

- Lorentz force:

$$\frac{m d\mathbf{v}}{q dt} = \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{E}.$$

- Efficiently compute the **matrix exponential**  $\exp(\mathbf{\Omega})$ , where

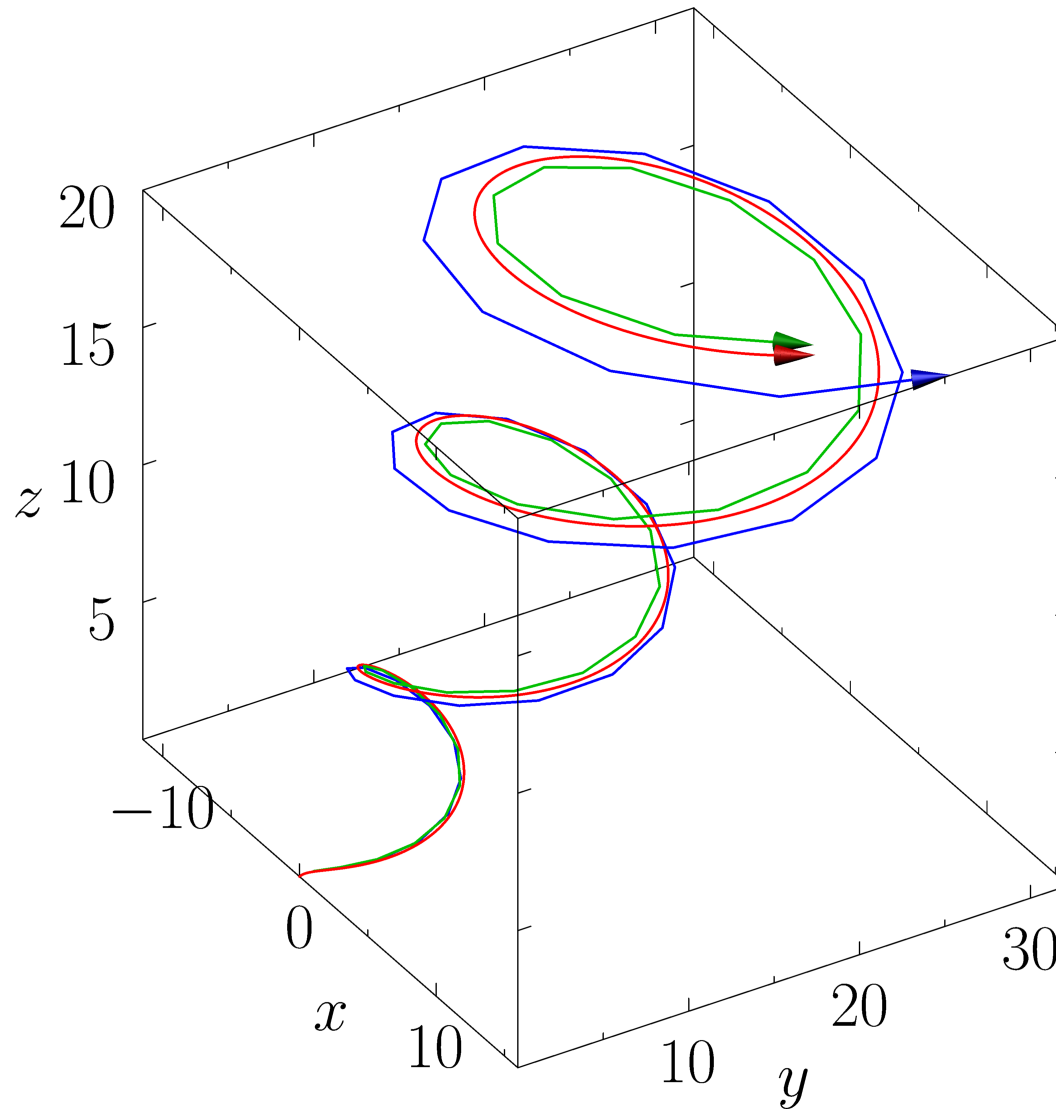
$$\mathbf{\Omega} = -\frac{q}{mc} \tau \begin{pmatrix} 0 & B_z & -B_y \\ -B_z & 0 & B_x \\ B_y & -B_x & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Requires 2 trigonometric functions, 1 division, 1 square root, and 35 additions or multiplications.
- The other necessary matrix factor,  $\mathbf{\Omega}^{-1}[\exp(\mathbf{\Omega}) - \mathbf{1}]$  requires care, since  $\mathbf{\Omega}$  is singular. Evaluate it as

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} [(\mathbf{\Omega} + \lambda \mathbf{1})^{-1} (e^{\mathbf{\Omega}} - \mathbf{1})].$$



# Motion Under Lorentz Force



Exact, PC, E-PC trajectories of a particle under Lorentz force.

# Bogacki–Shampine (3,2) Pair

- Embedded 4-stage pair [Bogacki & Shampine 1989]:

0	$\frac{1}{2}$					
$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{3}{4}$				
$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{2}{9}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{4}{9}$	←	3rd order	
1	$\frac{7}{24}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	←	2nd order

- Since  $f(y_3)$  is just  $f$  at the initial  $y_0$  for the next time step, **no additional source evaluation** is required to compute  $y_4$  [FSAL].

# An Embedded 4-Stage (3,2) Exponential Pair

- Letting  $\mathbf{z} = -\boldsymbol{\nu}\tau$  and  $b_4 = 1$ :

$$\mathbf{y}_i = e^{-b_i\boldsymbol{\nu}\tau} \mathbf{y}_0 + \tau \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} \mathbf{a}_{ij} f(\mathbf{y}_j, t + b_j\tau), \quad (i = 1, \dots, s).$$

$$\mathbf{a}_{10} = \frac{1}{2} \varphi_1 \left( \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{z} \right),$$

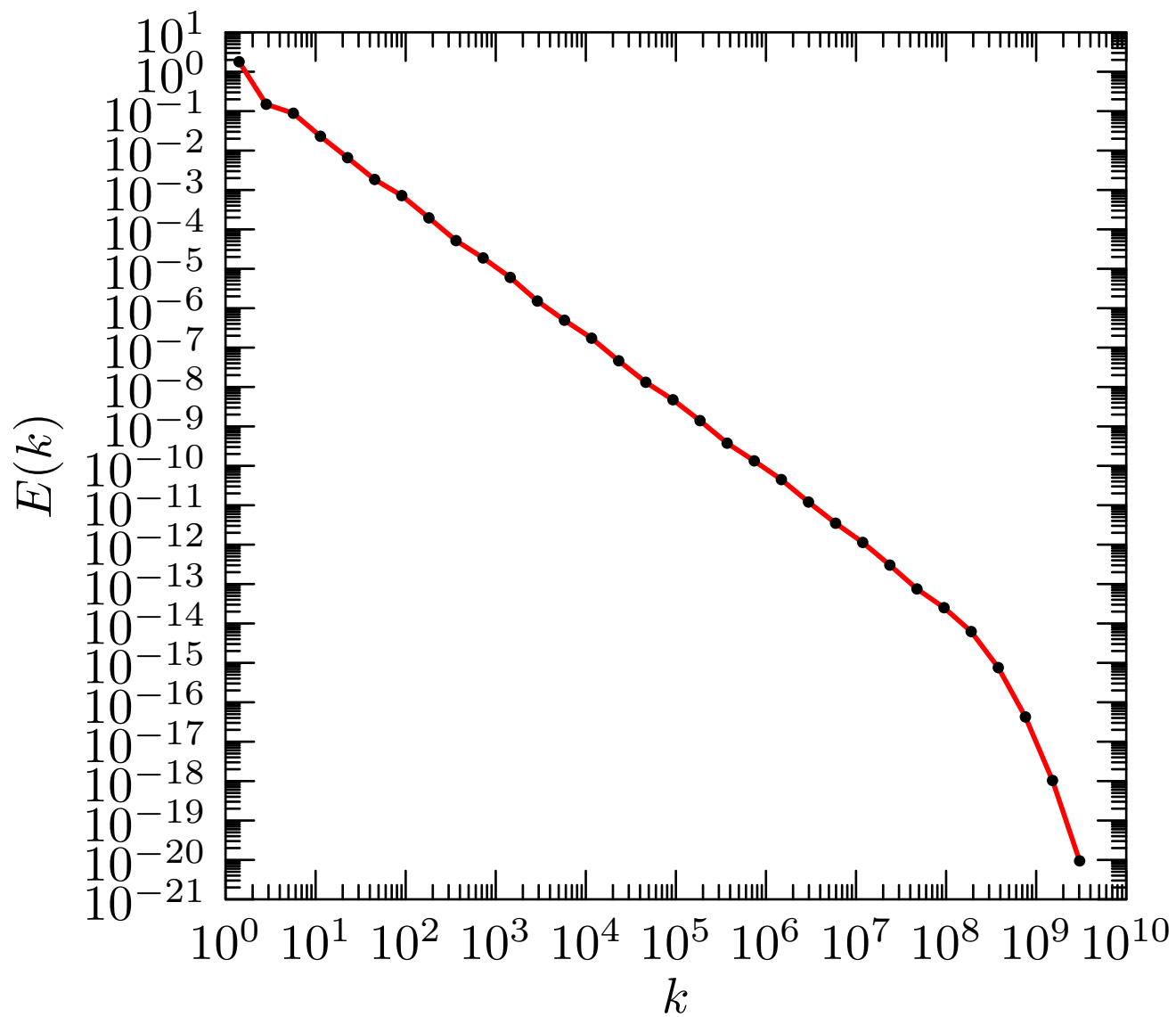
$$\mathbf{a}_{20} = \frac{3}{4} \varphi_1 \left( \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{z} \right) - \mathbf{a}_{21}, \quad \mathbf{a}_{21} = \frac{9}{8} \varphi_2 \left( \frac{3}{4} \mathbf{z} \right) + \frac{3}{8} \varphi_2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{z} \right),$$

$$\mathbf{a}_{30} = \varphi_1(\mathbf{z}) - \mathbf{a}_{31} - \mathbf{a}_{32}, \quad \mathbf{a}_{31} = \frac{1}{3} \varphi_1(\mathbf{z}), \quad \mathbf{a}_{32} = \frac{4}{3} \varphi_2(\mathbf{z}) - \frac{2}{9} \varphi_1(\mathbf{z}),$$

$$\mathbf{a}_{40} = \varphi_1(\mathbf{z}) - \frac{17}{12} \varphi_2(\mathbf{z}), \quad \mathbf{a}_{41} = \frac{1}{2} \varphi_2(\mathbf{z}), \quad \mathbf{a}_{42} = \frac{2}{3} \varphi_2(\mathbf{z}), \quad \mathbf{a}_{43} = \frac{1}{4} \varphi_2(\mathbf{z}).$$

- $\mathbf{y}_3$  has **stiff order 3** [Hochbruck and Ostermann 2005] (order is preserved even when  $\boldsymbol{\nu}$  is a general unbounded linear operator).
- $\mathbf{y}_4$  provides a second-order estimate for adjusting the time step.
- $\boldsymbol{\nu} \rightarrow \mathbf{0}$ : reduces to [3,2] Bogacki–Shampine Runge–Kutta pair.

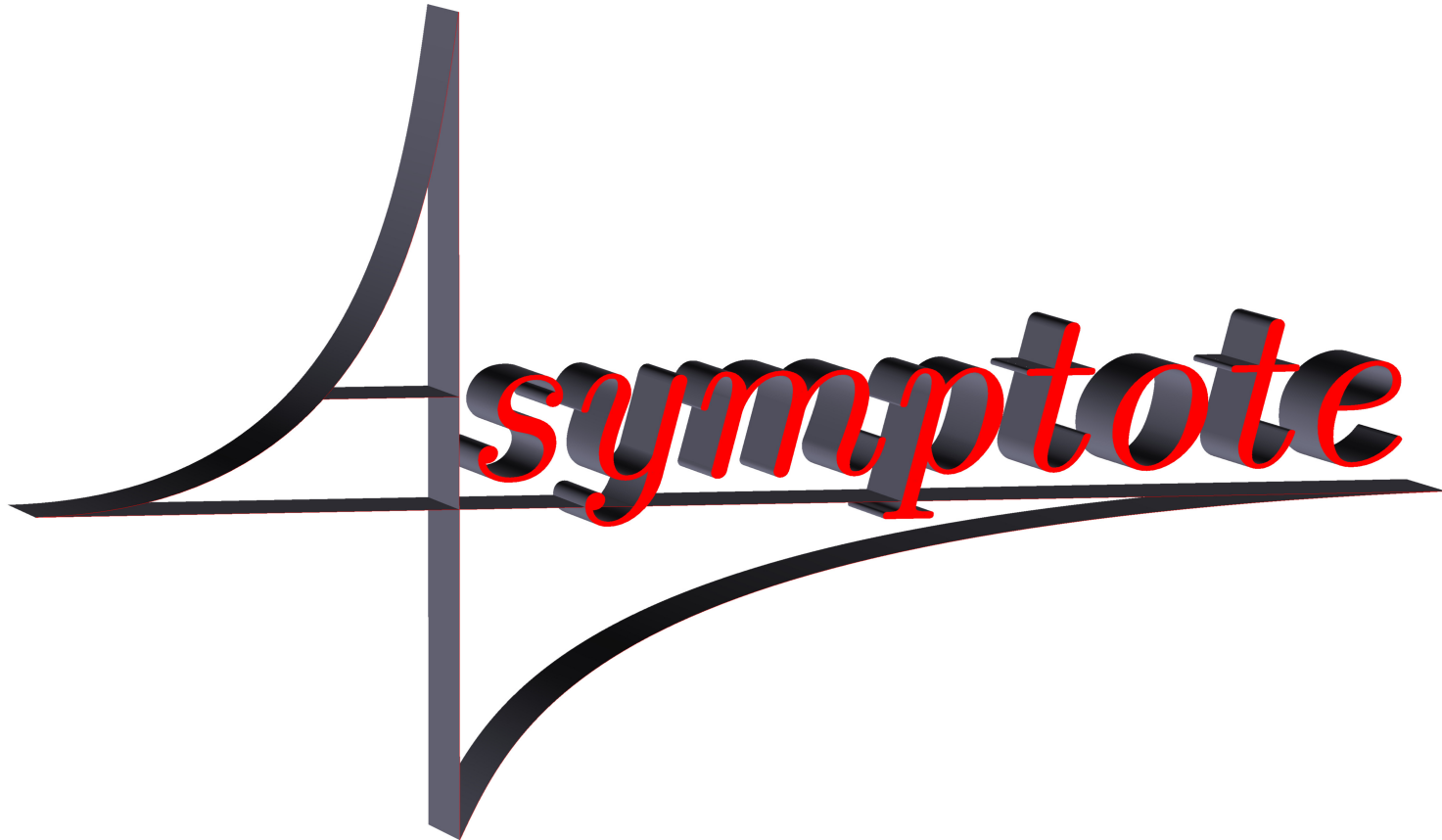
# Application to GOY Turbulence Shell Model



# Conclusions

- Exponential integrators are explicit schemes for ODEs with a stiff linearity.
- When the nonlinear source is constant, the time-stepping algorithm is precisely the analytical solution to the corresponding first-order linear ODE.
- Unlike integrating factor methods, exponential integrators have the correct fixed point behaviour.
- We present an efficient adaptive embedded 4-stage (3,2) exponential pair.
- A similar embedded 6-stage (5,4) exponential pair also exists.
- Care must be exercised when evaluating  $\varphi_j$  near 0. Accurate optimized double precision routines for evaluating these functions are available at  
`www.math.ualberta.ca/~bowman/phi.h`

# Asymptote: 2D & 3D Vector Graphics Language



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<http://asymptote.sf.net>

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# Asymptote Lifts T<sub>E</sub>X to 3D

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\alpha x^2} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\alpha}}$$

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