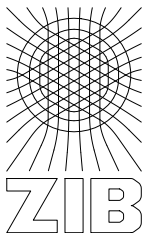


# Computing expectation values for molecular quantum dynamics

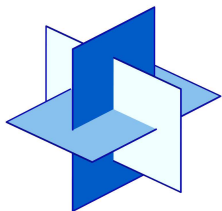
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$$\begin{aligned}i\varepsilon\partial_t\psi(t, \mathbf{q}) &= \left(-\frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}\Delta_{\mathbf{q}} + V(\mathbf{q})\right)\psi(t, \mathbf{q}), \\ \psi(0, \mathbf{q}) &= \psi_0(\mathbf{q})\end{aligned}$$

$$\varepsilon = \sqrt{1/\text{average nuclear mass}} = 0.001, \dots, 0.1$$

$V(\mathbf{q})$  solves the electron eigenvalue problem

$$\forall \mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^d : \quad H_{\text{el}}(\mathbf{q})\chi(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{x}) = V(\mathbf{q})\chi(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{x})$$

properties of the solution: **high-dimensional, highly oscillatory**

$\psi_0 \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C})$  with  $\|\psi_0\|_{L^2} = 1$

$\psi_0$  results from excitation of the ground state

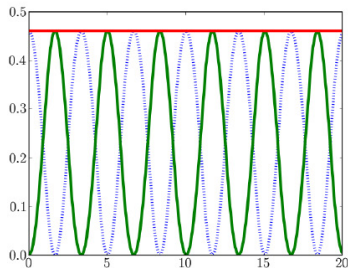
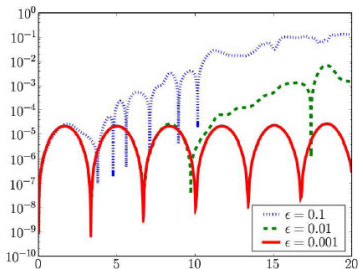
$$\left(-\frac{\varepsilon^2}{2}\Delta_{\mathbf{q}} + V_0(\mathbf{q})\right)\varphi_0(\mathbf{q}) = E_0\varphi_0(\mathbf{q})$$

Example: Gaussian wave function

$$\psi_0(\mathbf{q}) = g_0(\mathbf{q}) = (\pi\varepsilon)^{-d/4} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\varepsilon}|q - q_0|^2 + \frac{i}{\varepsilon}p_0 \cdot |q - q_0|\right)$$

[E. Fao, V. Gradinaru, C. Lubich, *SIAM J. Sci. Comput.*, 2009]

## Approximation by Hagedorn wave packets



$$\langle \text{Op}(a)\psi, \psi \rangle_{L^2} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (\text{Op}(a)\psi)(q) \bar{\psi}(q) dq,$$

$\text{Op}(a)$  is obtained as Weyl quantization of smooth functions  $a$

$$(\text{Op}_\varepsilon(a)\psi)(q) = (2\pi\varepsilon)^{-d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} a\left(\frac{1}{2}(q+y), p\right) e^{ip \cdot (q-y)/\varepsilon} \psi(y) dy dp$$

|                  | $a(q, p)$          | $(\text{Op}(a)\psi)(q)$                  |
|------------------|--------------------|--|
| position         | $q$                | $q\psi$                                  |
| momentum         | $p$                | $-i\varepsilon \nabla_q \psi$            |
| potential energy | $V(q)$             | $V\psi$                                  |
| kinetic energy   | $\frac{1}{2} p ^2$ | $-\frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} \Delta_q \psi$ |

For the solution of the Schrödinger equation,  $\psi(t)$ , and Weyl quantized operators  $\text{Op}(a)$ :

$$\langle \text{Op}(a)\psi(t), \psi(t) \rangle_{L^2} = \langle \text{Op}(a \circ \Phi^t)\psi_0, \psi_0 \rangle_{L^2} + O(\varepsilon^2 \partial_q^3 V)$$

with classical Hamiltonian flow  $\Phi^t : \mathbb{R}^{2d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2d}$

$$\dot{q} = p, \quad \dot{p} = -\nabla_q V(q)$$

Conservation of total energy  $h(q, p) = \frac{1}{2}|p|^2 + V(q)$

$$\langle \text{Op}(h)\psi(t), \psi(t) \rangle_{L^2} = \langle \text{Op}(h \circ \Phi^t)\psi_0, \psi_0 \rangle_{L^2}$$

Expectation values for Weyl quantized operators  $\text{Op}(a)$ :

$$\langle \text{Op}(a)\psi, \psi \rangle_{L^2} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} W(\psi)(q, p) a(q, p) dq dp$$

$W(\psi) : \mathbb{R}^{2d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , continuous, real-valued

$$W(\psi)(q, p) = (2\pi\varepsilon)^{-d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{iy \cdot p/\varepsilon} \psi(q - \frac{1}{2}y) \bar{\psi}(q + \frac{1}{2}y) dy$$

Properties:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} W(\psi)(q, p) dp = |\psi(q)|^2$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} W(\psi)(q, p) dq = |(\mathcal{F}\psi)(p)|_{L^2}^2$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} W(\psi)(q, p) dq dp = \|\psi\|_{L^2}^2$$

$W(\psi)$  can take **negative** values:

$$W(\psi)(0, 0) = -(\varepsilon\pi)^{-d} \|\psi\|_{L^2}^2 \quad \text{for} \quad \psi(q) = -\psi(-q)$$

Example: Gaussians remain Gaussians

$$W(g_0)(q, p) = (\pi\varepsilon)^{-d} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\varepsilon} |(q, p) - (q_0, p_0)|^2\right)$$



$$\begin{aligned}\langle \text{Op}_\varepsilon(a)\psi^\varepsilon(t), \psi^\varepsilon(t) \rangle_{L^2} &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} (a \circ \Phi^t)(z) W(\psi_0^\varepsilon)(z) dz + O(\varepsilon^2) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} (a \circ \Phi^t)(z) \frac{W(\psi_0^\varepsilon)(z)}{g(z)} g(z) dz + O(\varepsilon^2) \\ &\approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N a(\Phi^t(z_j)) \frac{W(\psi_0^\varepsilon)(z_j)}{g(z_j)}\end{aligned}$$

1. **initial sampling** of the importance sampling function  $g(z)$
2. **classical transport** of sampling points

$$\dot{q} = p, \quad \dot{p} = -\nabla_q V(q)$$

3. **final (weighted) summation** over propagated sampling point

perturbation

$$\langle \text{Op}(a)\psi_0^\varepsilon, \psi_0^\varepsilon \rangle_{L^2} \longrightarrow \langle \text{Op}(\tilde{a})\psi_0^\varepsilon, \psi_0^\varepsilon \rangle_{L^2}$$

but

$$|\langle \text{Op}_\varepsilon(a)\psi^\varepsilon(t), \psi^\varepsilon(t) \rangle_{L^2} - \langle \text{Op}_\varepsilon(\tilde{a} \circ \Phi^t)\psi_0^\varepsilon, \psi_0^\varepsilon \rangle_{L^2}| \leq C_\varepsilon \varepsilon^2 + \|\text{Op}_\varepsilon(\delta_t)\|.$$

where  $\delta_t$  is the mean deviation of  $\tilde{a}$  from  $a$  along the classical flow

$$\delta_t(q, p) = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t (\tilde{a} - a) \circ \Phi^s(q, p) ds.$$

→ asymptotic accuracy not altered by small initial sampling error

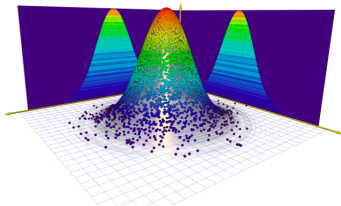
# 1. Initial sampling

## A. Single Gaussian wave packet

$$\psi_0^\varepsilon(q) = g_0^\varepsilon(q) = (\pi\varepsilon)^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\varepsilon}|q - q_0|^2\right)$$

$$z_0 = (q_0, p_0) = (1, 0, 0, 0)^T$$

$$W(g_0)(q, p) = (\pi\varepsilon)^{-d} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}|(q, p) - (q_0, p_0)|^2\right)$$



$$x_j \sim W(g_0)(z)$$

$$\langle a \circ \Phi^t \rangle_{\psi_0^\varepsilon} := \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} (a \circ \Phi^t)(z) W(\psi_0^\varepsilon)(z) dz \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N (a \circ \Phi^t)(x_j)$$

## B. Superposition of two Gaussian wave packets

$$\psi_0^\varepsilon = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(g_1^\varepsilon + g_2^\varepsilon), \quad z_1 = (1, 0, 0, 0)^T, \quad z_2 = -z_1$$

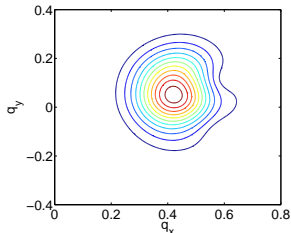
$$W\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(g_1^\varepsilon + g_2^\varepsilon)\right)(z) = \frac{1}{2}(W(g_1^\varepsilon)(z) + W(g_2^\varepsilon)(z)) + C(z)$$

$$C(z) = (\pi\varepsilon)^{-d} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\varepsilon}|z - z_+|^2\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}p_+ \cdot q_- - \frac{1}{\varepsilon}(z - z_+) \wedge z_-\right)$$

$$x_i \sim W(g_1)(z), \quad x_j \sim W(g_2)(z), \quad x_k \sim W(g_{12})(z)$$

$$\langle a \circ \Phi^t \rangle_{\psi_0^\varepsilon} \approx \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (a \circ \Phi^t)(x_i) + \sum_{j=1}^N (a \circ \Phi^t)(x_j) + 2 \sum_{k=1}^N (a \circ \Phi^t)(x_k) c(x_k)}{2(N + \sum_{k=1}^N c(x_k))}$$

C. Numerically computed laser excitation on a  $1024 \times 512$  grid,  
 $\varepsilon = 0.01$



$$\langle a \circ \Phi^t \rangle_{\psi_0^\varepsilon} \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N (a \circ \Phi^t)(x_j) \frac{W(\psi_0^\varepsilon)(x_j)}{g(x_j)} \quad \text{with } x_j \sim g(z)$$

$$W(\psi_0^\varepsilon)(z) = (2\pi\varepsilon)^{-d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{iy \cdot p/\varepsilon} \psi(q - \frac{1}{2}y) \bar{\psi}(q + \frac{1}{2}y) dy \approx \frac{1}{M} \sum_{k=1}^M \frac{\Re I(q_k)}{h(q_k)}$$

$$f \equiv a \circ \Phi^t$$

- ▶ Conventional Monte Carlo

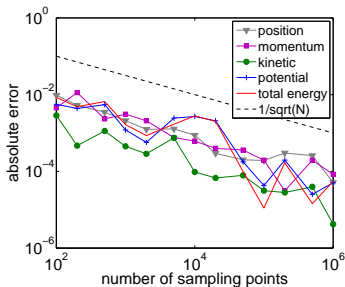
$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left( \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N f(x_j) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} f(z) W(\psi_0^\varepsilon)(z) dz \right| \leq \frac{c \sigma(f)}{\sqrt{N}} \right) \\ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-c}^c e^{-t^2/2} dt, \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Quasi Monte Carlo

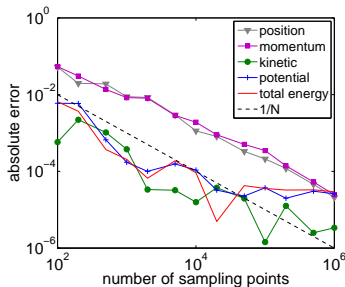
$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N f(x_j) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} f(z) W(\psi_0^\varepsilon)(z) dz \right| &\leq \text{Var}(f) D_N^*(x_1, \dots, x_N) \\ &\leq C N^{-1} (\log N)^{3d} \end{aligned}$$

transformation of well-known sequences (Halton, Sobol', ...)  
from the unit cube  $[0, 1]^{2d}$  to  $\mathbb{R}^{2d}$

Superposition of two-dimensional Gaussian wave packets,  $\varepsilon = 0.1$



(a) Conventional Monte Carlo



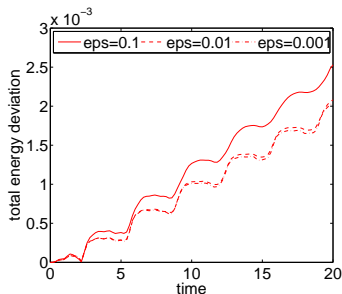
(b) Quasi-Monte Carlo



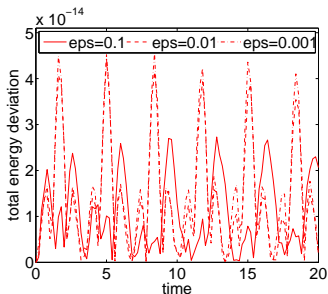
## 2. Classical transport

$$\dot{q} = p, \quad \dot{p} = -\nabla_q V(q), \quad V(q) = 2 - \cos(q_1) - \cos(q_2)$$

Single Gaussian wave packet,  $N = 10^4$



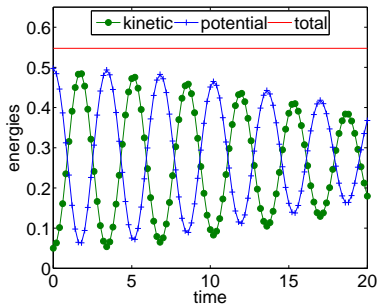
(c) Non-symplectic 4th order Runge-Kutta method



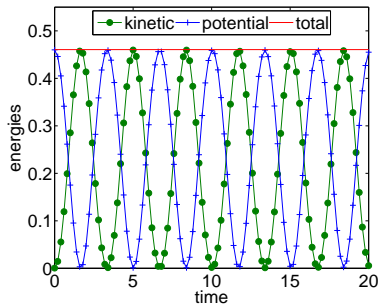
(d) 4th order symplectic partitioned Runge-Kutta method

## 3. Final evaluation and results

# A. Single Gaussian wave packet



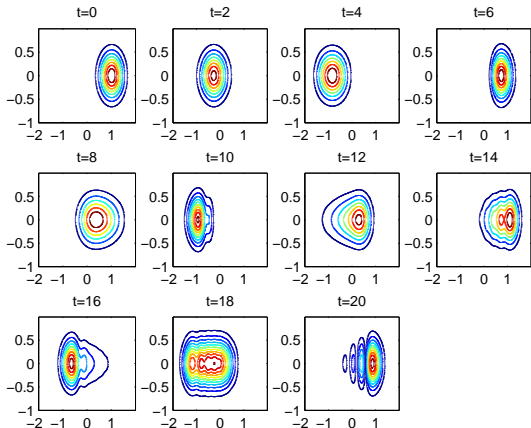
$$\varepsilon = 0.1, N = 10^4$$



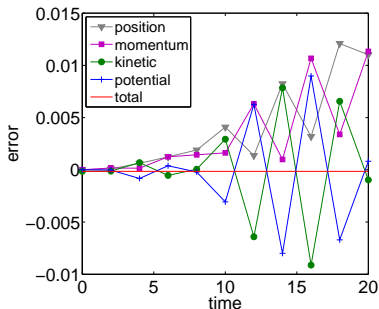
$$\varepsilon = 0.001, N = 10^4$$

## Strang splitting with Fourier differencing

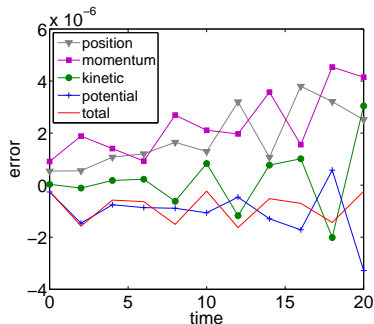
[Jahnke, Lubich, 2000]



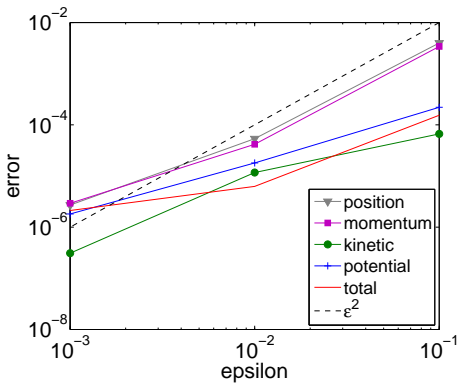
# Single Gaussian wave packet



$$\epsilon = 0.1, N = 10^6$$



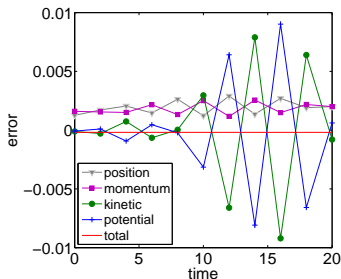
$$\epsilon = 0.001, N = 10^6$$



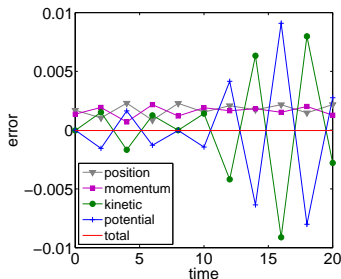
Method is of second order in  $\epsilon$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^4} \frac{1}{2} |p|^2 C(q, p) dq dp = \frac{1}{2} e^{-1/\varepsilon} (\varepsilon - 1),$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^4} V(q) C(q, p) dq dp = e^{-1/\varepsilon} (2 - 2e^{-\varepsilon/4})$$



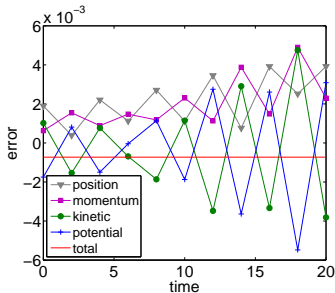
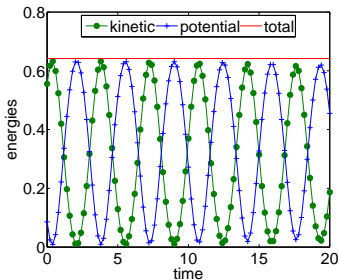
with cross term ( $\varepsilon = 0.1, N = 10^4$ )



without cross term



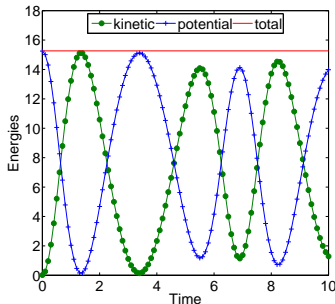
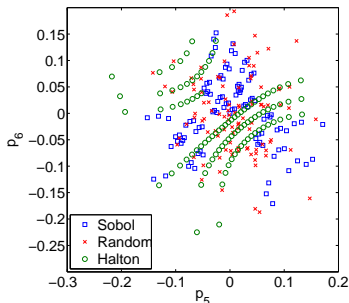
$$\varepsilon = 0.01, N = 10^3$$



Computation of  $W(\psi_0^\varepsilon)(q, p)$ : quasi Monte Carlo with  $M = 500$  and bicubic interpolation

$$V(q) = \sum_{j=1}^6 \frac{1}{2} q_j^2 + \sum_{j=1}^5 \sigma_* (q_j q_{j+1}^2 - \frac{1}{3} q_j^3) + \frac{1}{16} \sigma_*^2 (q_j^2 + q_{j+1}^2)^2$$

$$\psi_0^\varepsilon(q) = (\pi\varepsilon)^{-3/2} \exp(-\frac{1}{2\varepsilon} |q - q_0|^2), \quad q_0 = (2, 2, 2, 2, 2, 2)^T, \quad \sigma_* = 1/\sqrt{80}$$



$\varepsilon = 0.01$ ,  $N = 10^2$ , accuracy of initial sampling:  $10^{-3}$

MATLAB 7.5 on a 2.2 GHz AMD Opteron Dual Core 875 Processor

|                    | A ( $\varepsilon = 0.001$ ) | B ( $\varepsilon = 0.1$ ) | C ( $\varepsilon = 0.01$ ) |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| $N = 3 \cdot 10^3$ | 16.4 sec                    | 15.9 sec                  | 38.8 sec                   |
| $N = 3 \cdot 10^4$ | 2 min 45 sec                | 2 min 44 sec              | 6 min 39 sec               |
| $N = 3 \cdot 10^5$ | 31 min 16 sec               | 31 min                    | 64 min                     |

Henon-Heiles potential ( $N = 10^2$ ): 2.5 sec

Strang reference solution ( $2048 \times 1024$ ): 2h 47 min

- ▶ Summary
  - ▶ particle method as an efficient tool for computing expectation values in high dimensions
  - ▶ 2nd order accuracy with respect to the semiclassical parameter
  - ▶ computing time scales linearly with the number of sampling points
  - ▶ no curse of dimensionality
  
- ▶ open questions
  - ▶ long time propagation
  - ▶ adaptive sampling

**Thank you for your attention!**

Further information

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