

Many-Stage Optimal Stabilized Runge-Kutta Methods for Hyperbolic Partial Differential Equations

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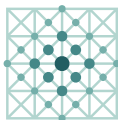
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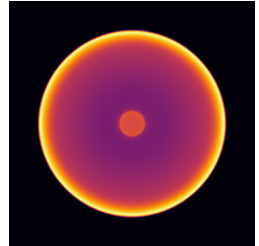
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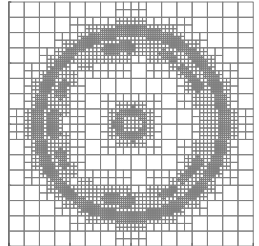
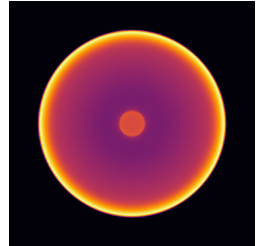


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demands a reduction in timestep Δt for reduced mesh-width Δx_i . Here, μ_l are the eigenvalues of the Jacobian $\partial_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{u})$.

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follows a *Method of Lines* like approach of constructing a *Semi-Discretization*

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which is then solved with an ODE integrator \rightarrow Runge-Kutta.

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Drawback: Restriction on timestep (CFL).

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and we search now the optimal stability polynomial P_S of degree S in the sense that the admissible timestep Δt is maximal:

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- Observed in practice
- Theoretical results indicating this available⁴⁵⁶

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with *Lower Degree Polynomial*

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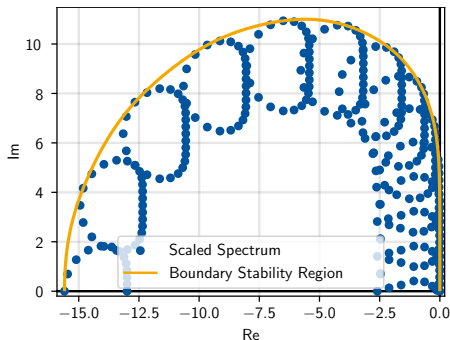


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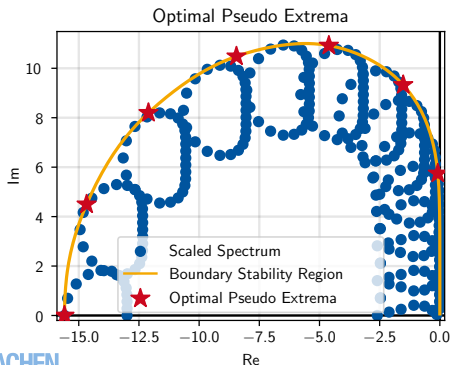


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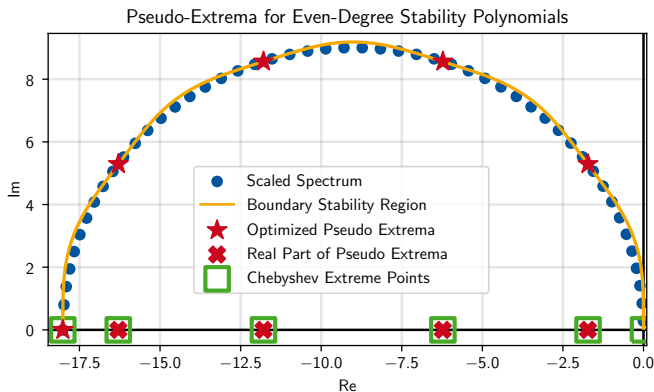
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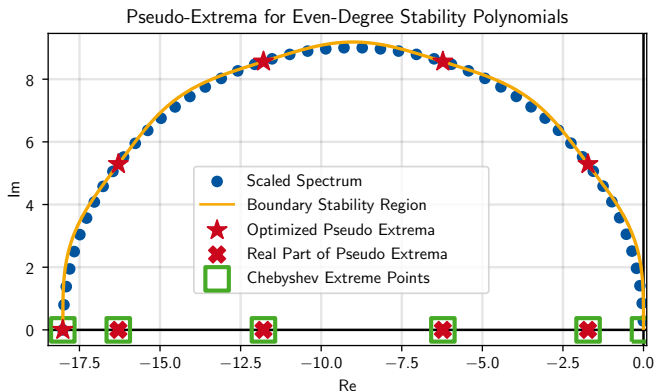
$$\tilde{r}_j = x_j \pm \sqrt{R^2 - (x_j + R)^2} \quad (25)$$

$$= R \left[\cos\left(\frac{2\pi j}{S} - 1\right) \pm i \sin\left(\frac{2\pi j}{S}\right) \right] \quad (26)$$

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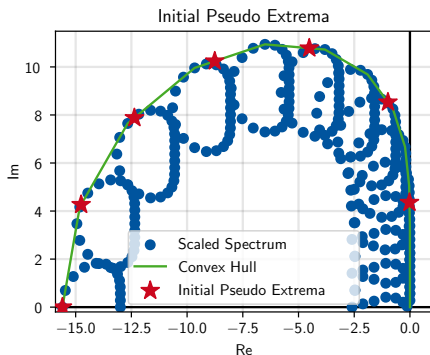


- Significance of the Chebyshev Extreme Points: Partition the circle into segments with equal arc length



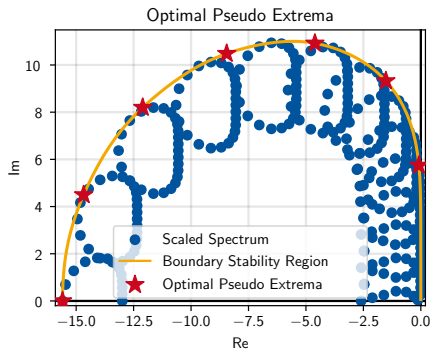
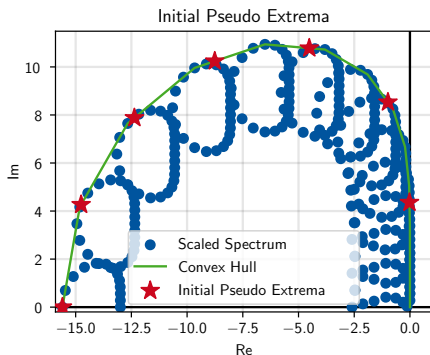
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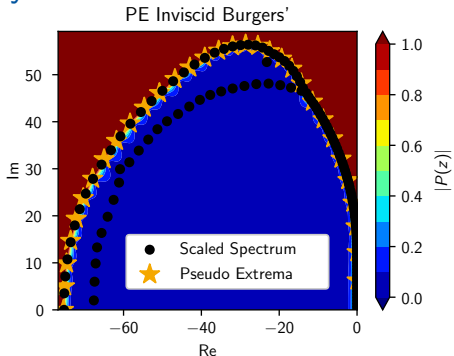
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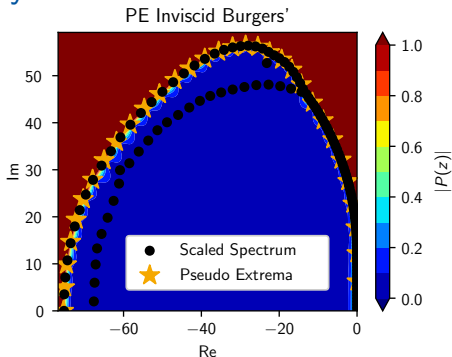
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S	2 nd Order	3 rd Order
16	15.346	15.076
32	0.879	1.183
64	2.869	2.276
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- $S = 16$: Generated with approach from Ketcheson & Ahmadi



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$$\partial_t u + a \partial_x u = 0 \quad (32a)$$

$$u_0(x) = e^{-10x^2} \quad (32b)$$

- Construct (linear) third-order schemes

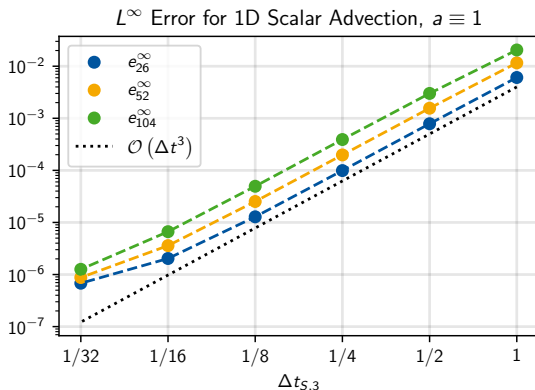
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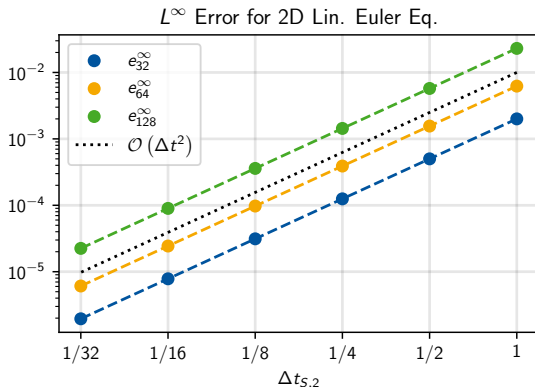


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- Inviscid Burgers' Equation

$$\partial_t + \frac{1}{2} \partial_x u^2 = s(x, t) \quad (35a)$$

$$u(x, t) = 2 + \sin(2\pi(x - t)) \quad (35b)$$

- Consider also error (increase) in *Total Variation*

$$e_{TV} := \|\mathbf{u}^{(h,S)}(t_f)\|_{TV} - \|\mathbf{u}^{(h,S)}(t_0)\|_{TV} \quad (36)$$

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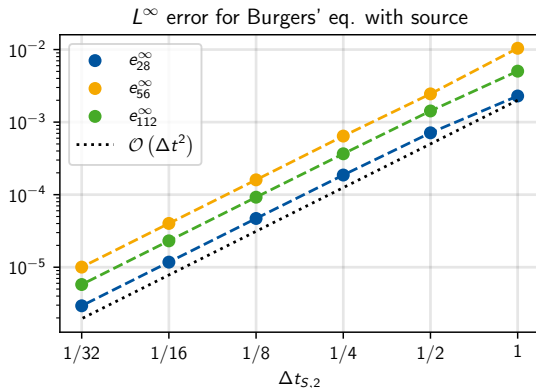
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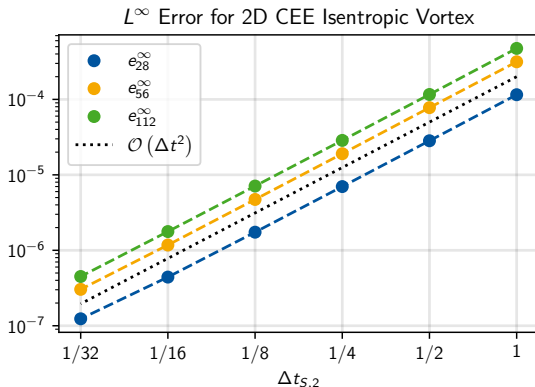
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Summary:

- Different representation of stability polynomials
 - Motivated from theory
 - Enable very efficient optimization
- $p = 2$ Internal-stability optimized RKMs

Outlook/Future Work:

- Optimize $p = 4$ stability polynomials
- Construction of higher order ($p = 3, 4$) RKMs
- Improving internal stability

Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

