

Spectral-Galerkin Method for n-Body Problem in 2D

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Considering 4n dimensional Hamiltonian $H(p, q) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n m_i(p_{ix}^2 + p_{iy}^2) - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \frac{m_i m_j}{|q_i - q_j|}$, where $|q_i - q_j| = \sqrt{(q_{ix} - q_{jx})^2 + (q_{iy} - q_{jy})^2}$.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{p}_{ix} = \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{m_j(q_{jx} - q_{ix})}{|q_j - q_i|^3} \\ \dot{p}_{iy} = \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{m_j(q_{jy} - q_{iy})}{|q_j - q_i|^3} \\ \dot{q}_{ix} = m_i p_{ix} \\ \dot{q}_{iy} = m_i p_{iy} \end{cases}$$

1 Algorithm

1. Preprocess of the Equations

(a) Zero initialization : Let $\tilde{p} = p - p(0)$, $\tilde{q} = q - q(0)$.

(b) Normalization: Let $t = \frac{x+1}{2}$, $x \in [-1, 1]$,

2. Weak Form of Hamiltonian Systems

We introduce the following usual Sobolev space:

$$H_E^1(I) := \{u : u \in H^1(I), u(-1) = 0\},$$

where $I = [-1, 1]$. Let $X_N = P_N \cap H_E^1(I)$.

3. Iterative Scheme

4. Efficient Implementation of the Algorithm

We start by constructing a set of basis functions for X_N . Let

$$\varphi_i(x) = L_i(x) - L_{i+2}(x), i = 0 \cdots N-2, \varphi_{N-1} = \frac{1}{2}(x+1), \quad (1)$$

where L_i is the Legendre polynomial of degree i .

It is clear that

$$X_N = \text{span}\{\varphi_0(x), \dots, \varphi_{N-2}(x), \varphi_{N-1}(x)\}.$$

Let $s_{jk} = \int_{-1}^1 \varphi'_k \varphi_j dx$, $m_{jk} = \int_{-1}^1 \varphi_k \varphi_j dx$, then it is known that
(1) when $k, j = 0, 1, \dots, N-2$,

$$s_{jk} := \begin{cases} -2, & j = k+1, \\ 2, & j = k-1, \\ 0, & \text{other.} \end{cases} \quad m_{jk} = m_{kj} := \begin{cases} \frac{2}{2k+1} + \frac{2}{2k+5}, & j = k, \\ -\frac{2}{2k+5}, & j = k+2, \\ 0, & \text{other.} \end{cases}$$

(2) when $k = N-1, j = 0, 1, \dots, N-2$,

$$s_{jk} = -s_{kj} =: \begin{cases} 1, & j = 0, \\ 0, & \text{other.} \end{cases} \quad m_{jk} = m_{kj} := \begin{cases} 1, & j = 0, \\ \frac{1}{3}, & j = 1, \\ 0, & \text{other.} \end{cases}$$

(3) when $k = j = N-1$, $s_{kj} = \frac{1}{2}$, $m_{kj} = \frac{2}{3}$.

Let $p_N^{k+1} = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} p_i^{k+1} \varphi_i$ and $q_N^{k+1} = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} q_i^{k+1} \varphi_i$ and plugging in iterative scheme , and taking \tilde{p}_N, \tilde{q}_N through all the basis functions in X_N , respectively, we will arrive at the following matrix form system:

$$\mathcal{A}U^{k+1} = F^k, \quad (2)$$

In practice, we calculate the numerical integration by $P = 4N+1$ Gauss points and tolerate condition as discrete norm $\|u_N^{k+1} - u_N^k\|_{L_2}^2 > 10^{-14}$ where $u_N = (p_N, q_N)$

2 Numerical Result

2.1 3-Body

1. Equal-mass

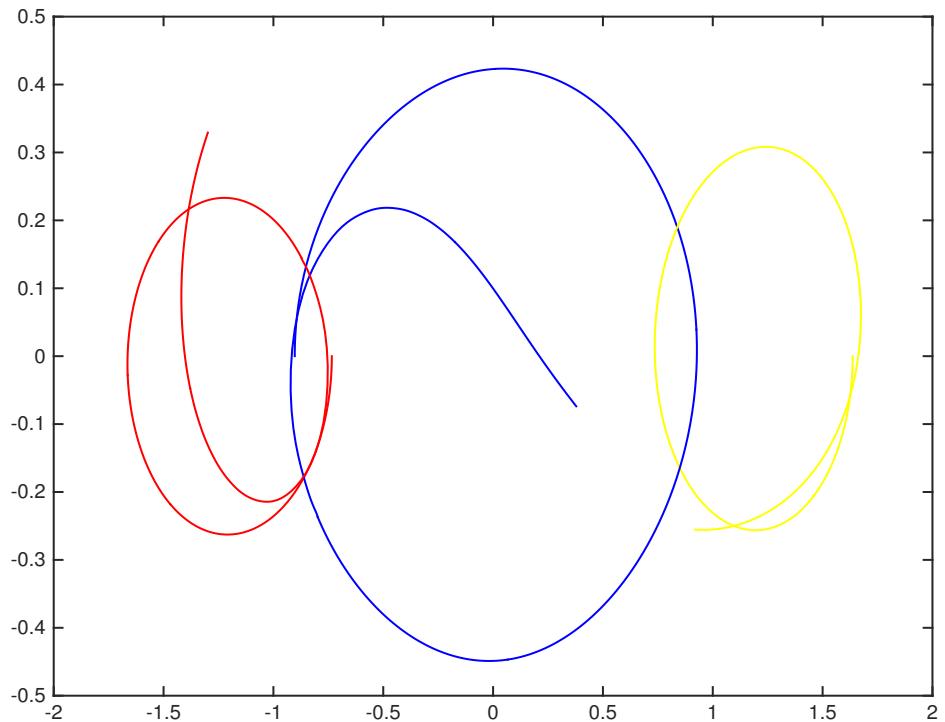


Figure 1: T=6 of 3-body Brocke-Hennon Orbit, error of Hamiltonian is 0.245 with $N = 20$

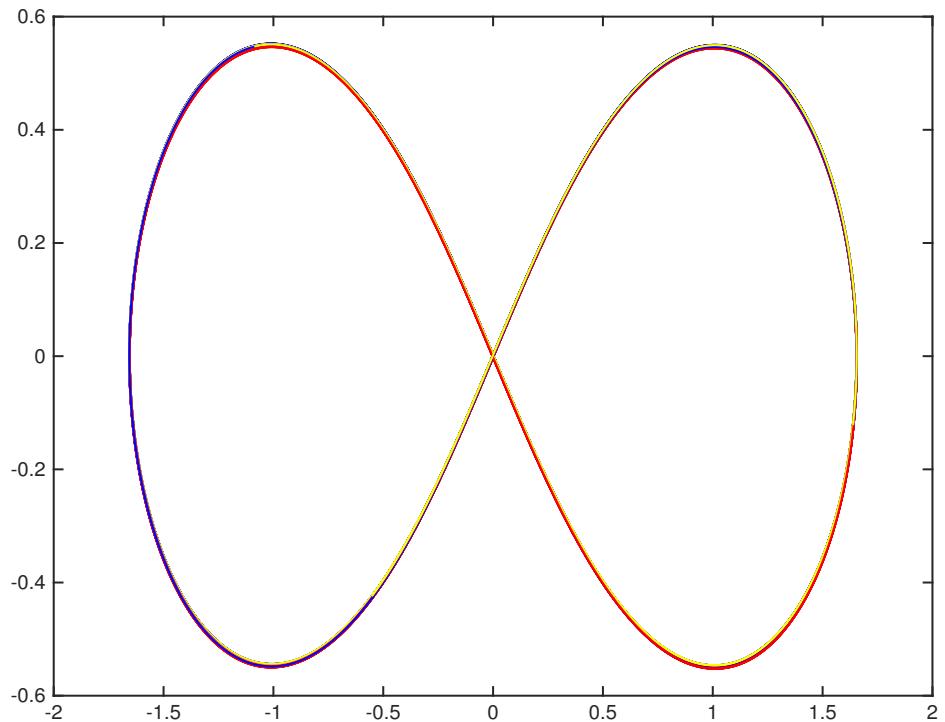


Figure 2: $T=500$ of 3-body Figure eight, error of Hamiltonian is 9.6916×10^{-12} with $N = 20$

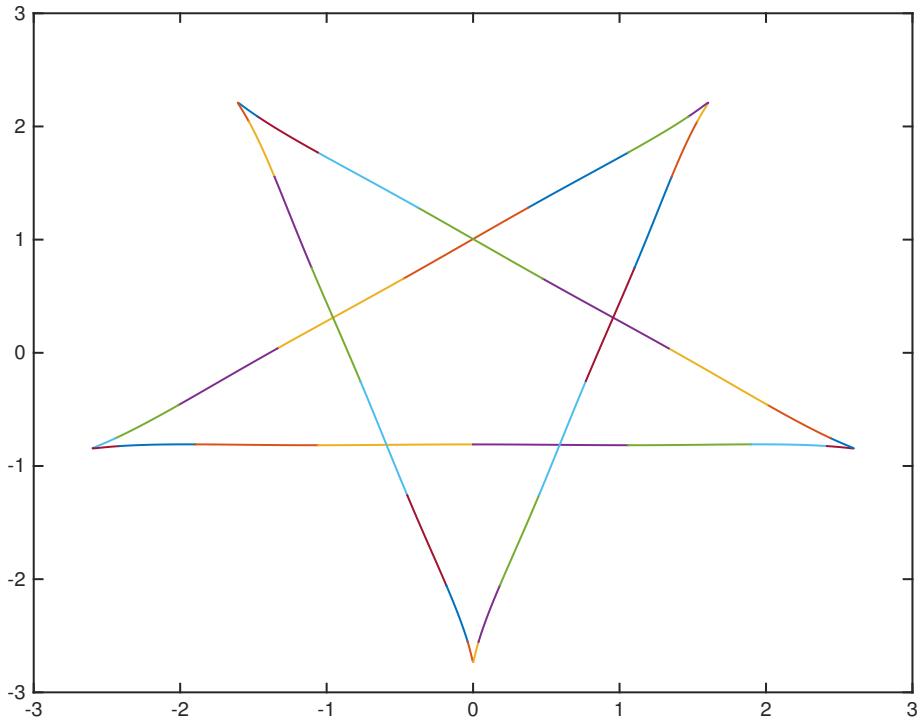


Figure 3: Minimum period $T=40$ of 1st body, error of Hamiltonian is 6.6613×10^{-16} with $N = 20$

2. Non-equal mass

For $m_1 = 1$, $m_2 = 0.8$ and $m_3 = 0.6$

2.2 4-Body

Initial conditions given by [1] are

$$p_0 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.55391384867197 & -0.39895079845794 & 1.0936551555351 & 0 \\ -0.55391558212647 & 0.39895379682134 & 0.01417427526245 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$q_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0598738926379 & 1.7699901770118 & 0 & -0.80951135793043 \\ -1.0598738926379 & 1.7699901770118 & 0 & -2.7304689960932 \end{bmatrix}$$

References

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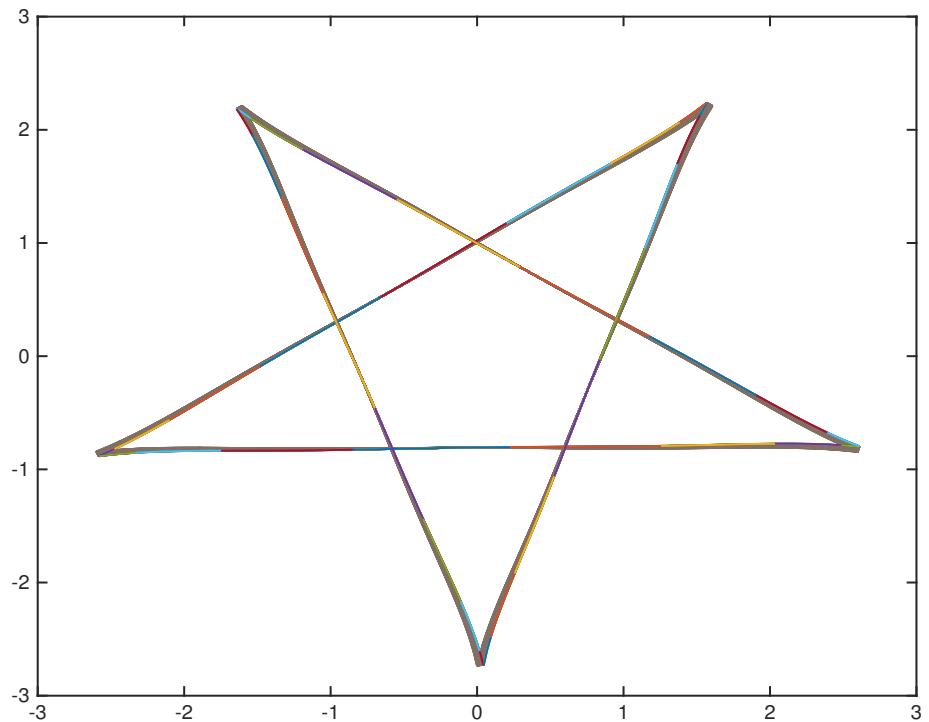


Figure 4: 100 periods $T=4000$ of 1st body, error of Hamiltonian is 4.4986×10^{-13} with $N = 20$

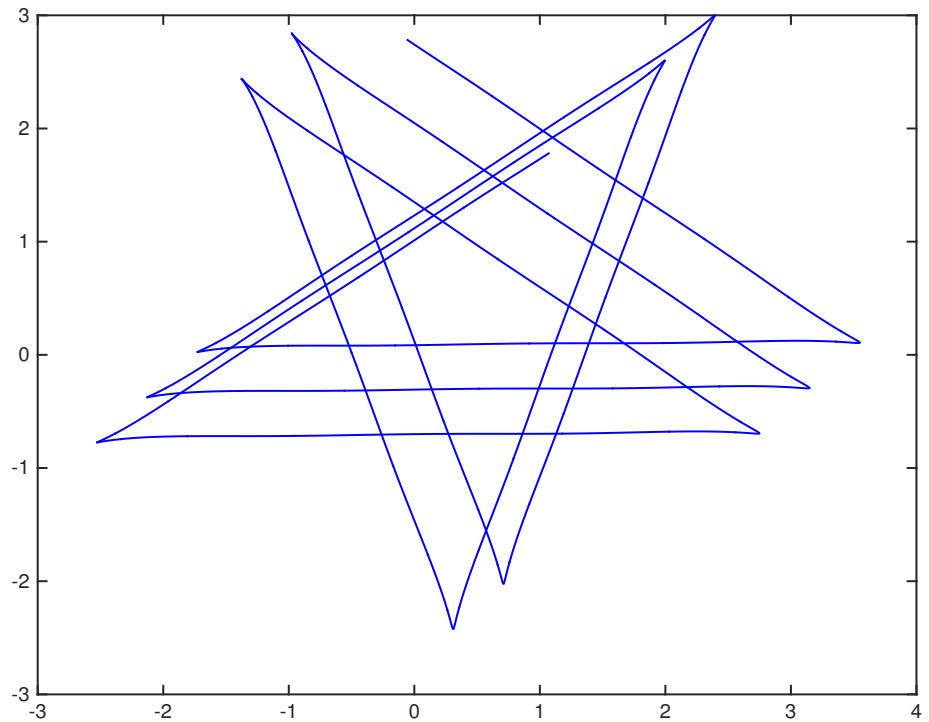


Figure 5: Perturbation of $p_0 + \epsilon$ and $q_0 + \epsilon$ with $\epsilon = 0.01$, $T=100$ of 1st body, error of Hamiltonian is 3.3307×10^{-15} with $N = 20$

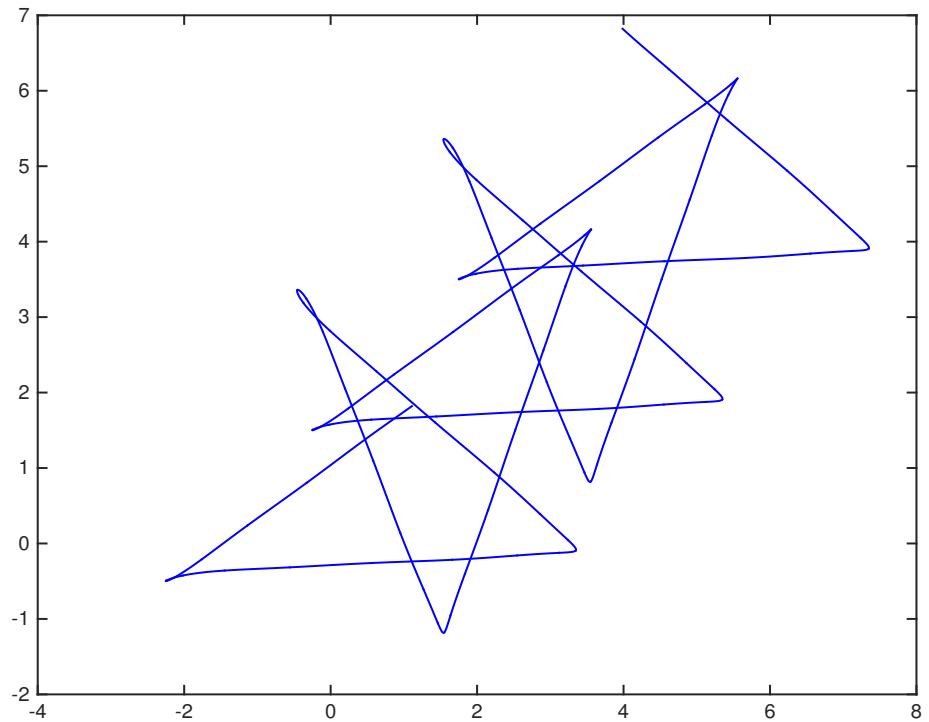


Figure 6: Perturbation of $p_0 + \epsilon$ and $q_0 + \epsilon$ with $\epsilon = 0.05$, $T=100$ of 1st body, error of Hamiltonian is 3.3307×10^{-15} with $N = 20$

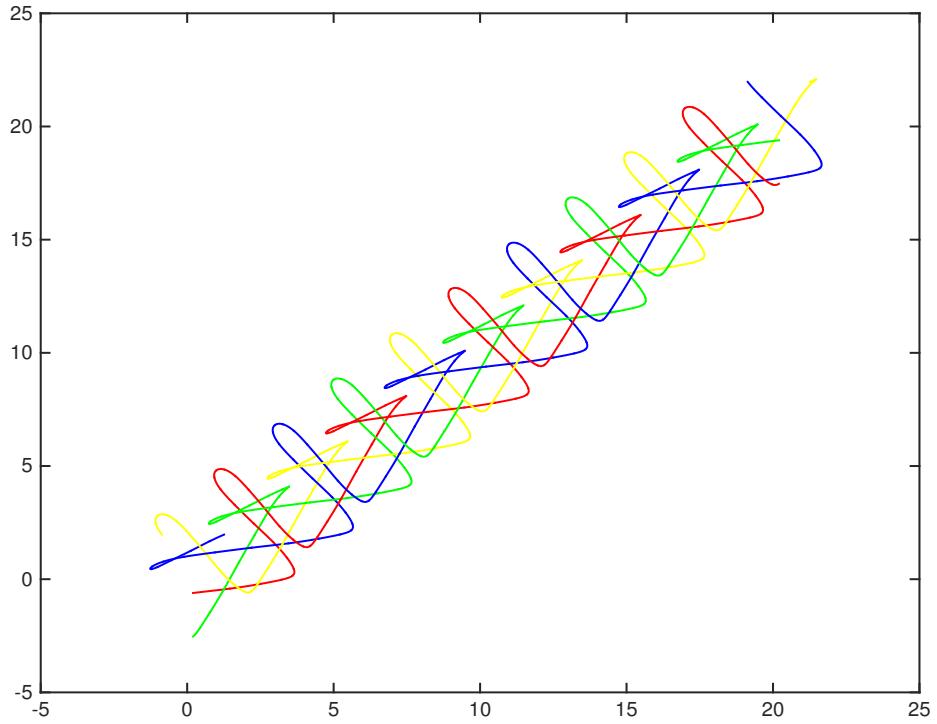


Figure 7: Perturbation of $p_0 + [0.2, 0.2]$ and $q_0 + [0.2, 0.2]$, $T=100$ of 4 bodies, error of Hamiltonian is 2.2204×10^{-15} with $N = 20$

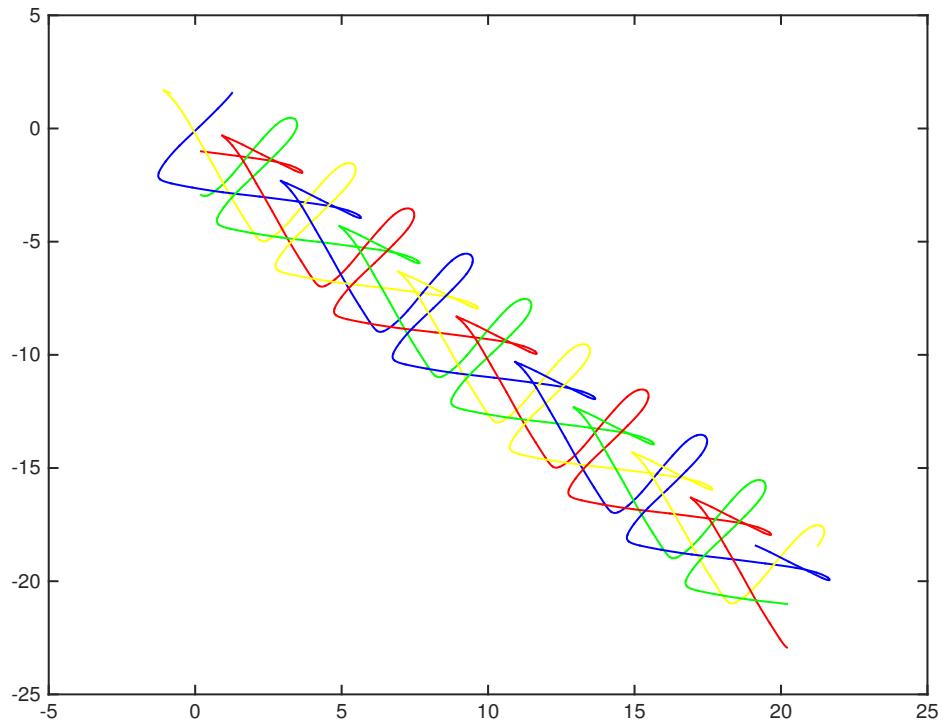


Figure 8: Perturbation of $p_0 + [0.2, -0.2]$ and $q_0 + [0.2, -0.2]$, $T=100$ of 4 bodies, error of Hamiltonian is 2.8866×10^{-15} with $N = 20$

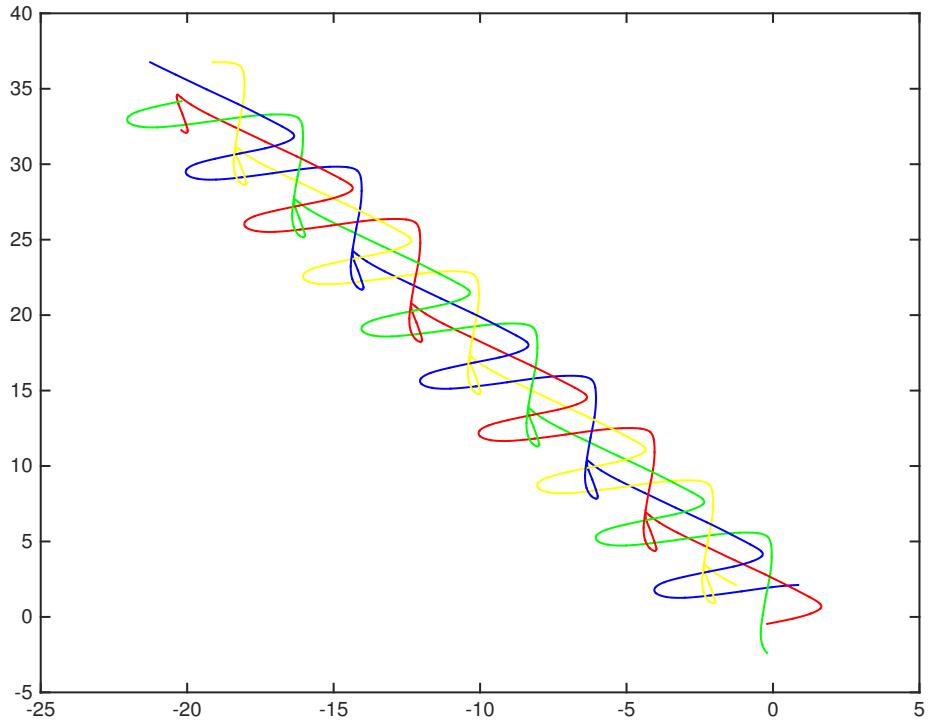


Figure 9: Perturbation of $p_0 + [-0.2, 0.2\sqrt{3}]$ and $q_0 + [-0.2, 0.2\sqrt{3}]$, $T=100$ of 4 bodies, error of Hamiltonian is 8.6597×10^{-15} with $N = 20$

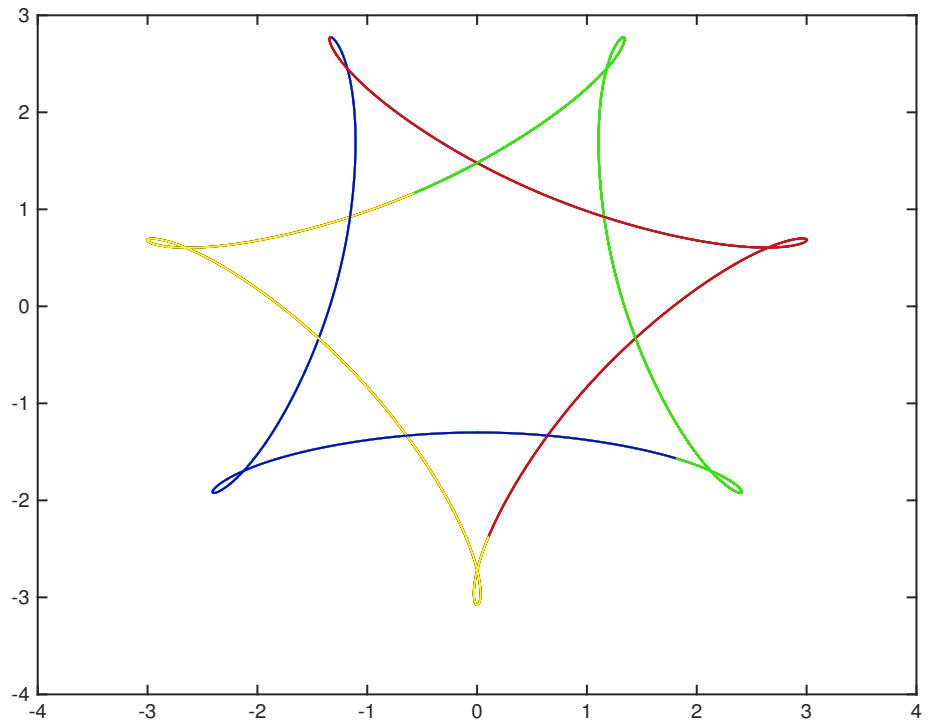


Figure 10: $T=100$ of simple choreographic of $\theta = \frac{3\pi}{7}$ in [1], 4 bodies chase each other, error of Hamiltonian is 2.6645×10^{-15} with $N = 20$

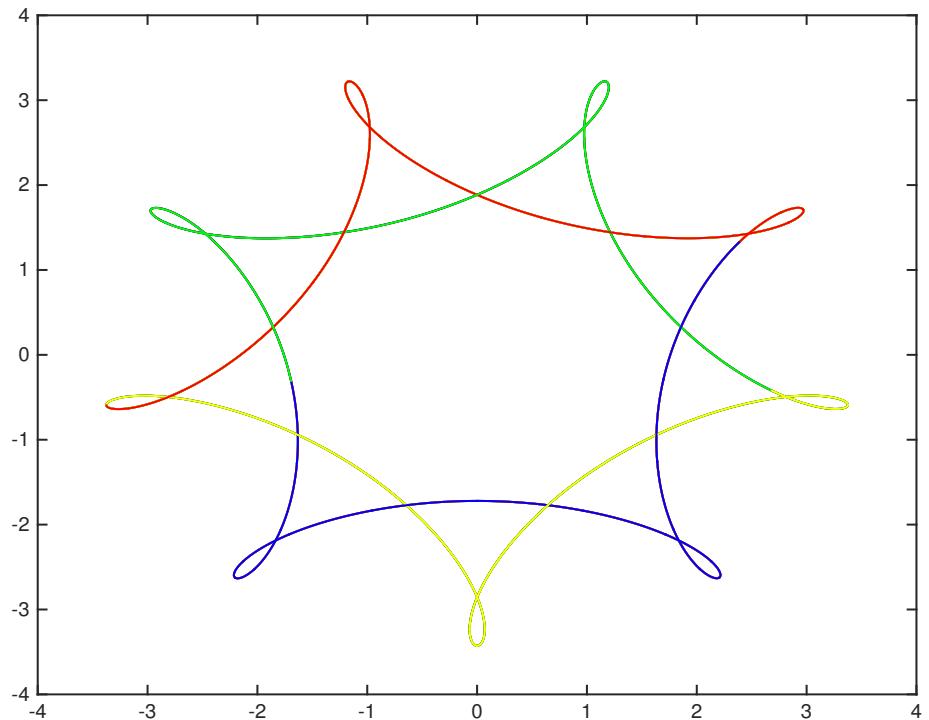


Figure 11: $T=100$ of simple choreographic of $\theta = \frac{4\pi}{9}$ in [1], 4 bodies chase each other, error of Hamiltonian is 1.9984×10^{-15} with $N = 20$

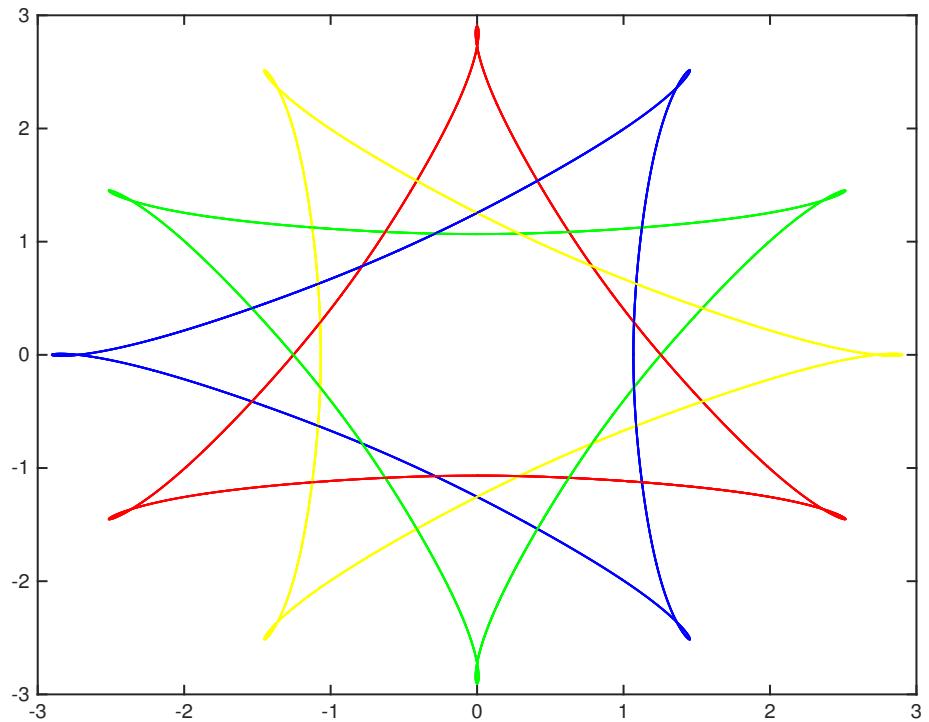


Figure 12: $T=100$ of non-choreographic periodic solutions of $\theta = \frac{5\pi}{12}$ in [1], error of Hamiltonian is 1.5543×10^{-15} with $N = 20$

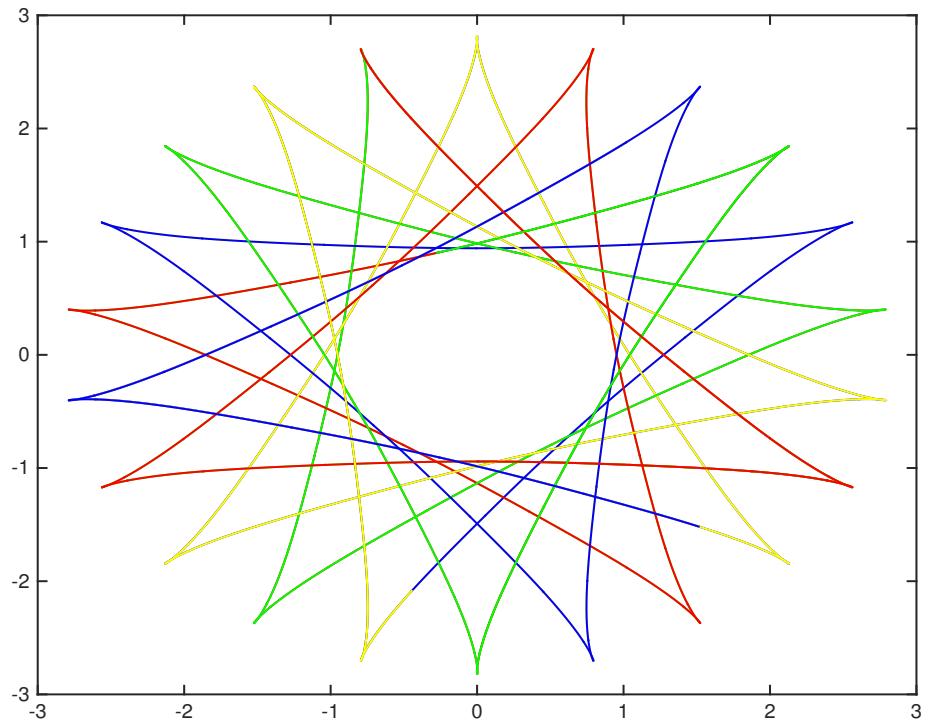


Figure 13: $T=100$ of double-choreographic periodic solutions of $\theta = \frac{5\pi}{22}$ in [1], error of Hamiltonian is 1.3323×10^{-15} with $N = 20$

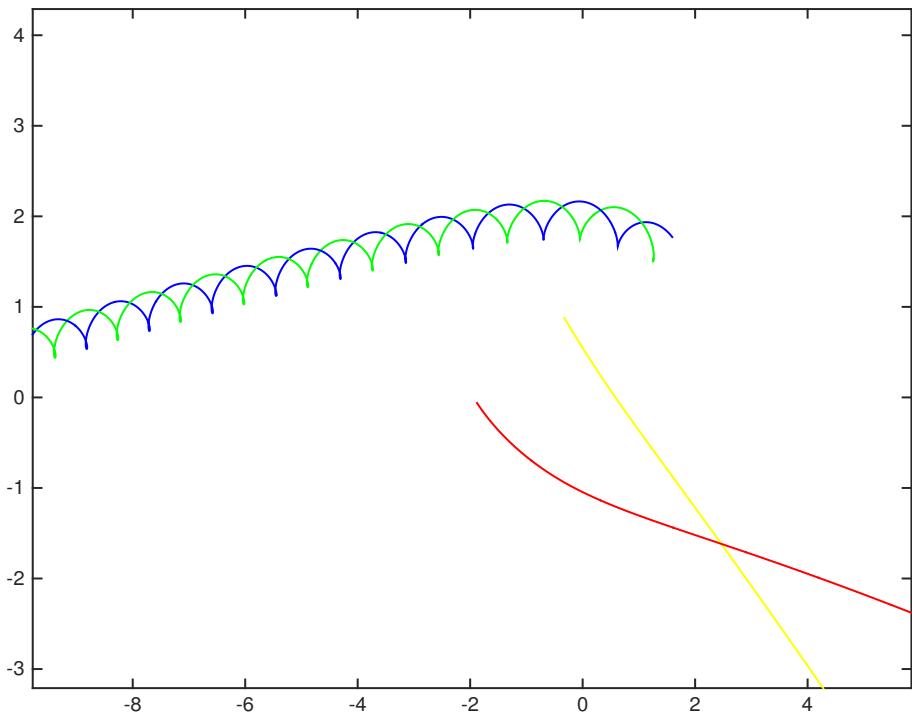


Figure 14: $p_0 = [-1.6115 \quad 1.2938 \quad 0.7793 \quad -0.7316 \quad 1.8009 \quad -1.8622 \quad -0.2450 \quad -0.4738]$, $q_0 = [1.5931 \quad 1.7712 \quad -1.8788 \quad -0.0614 \quad -0.3265 \quad 0.8779 \quad 1.2562 \quad 1.5281]$, error of Hamiltonian when $T=100$ is 1.088×10^{-8} with $N = 20$

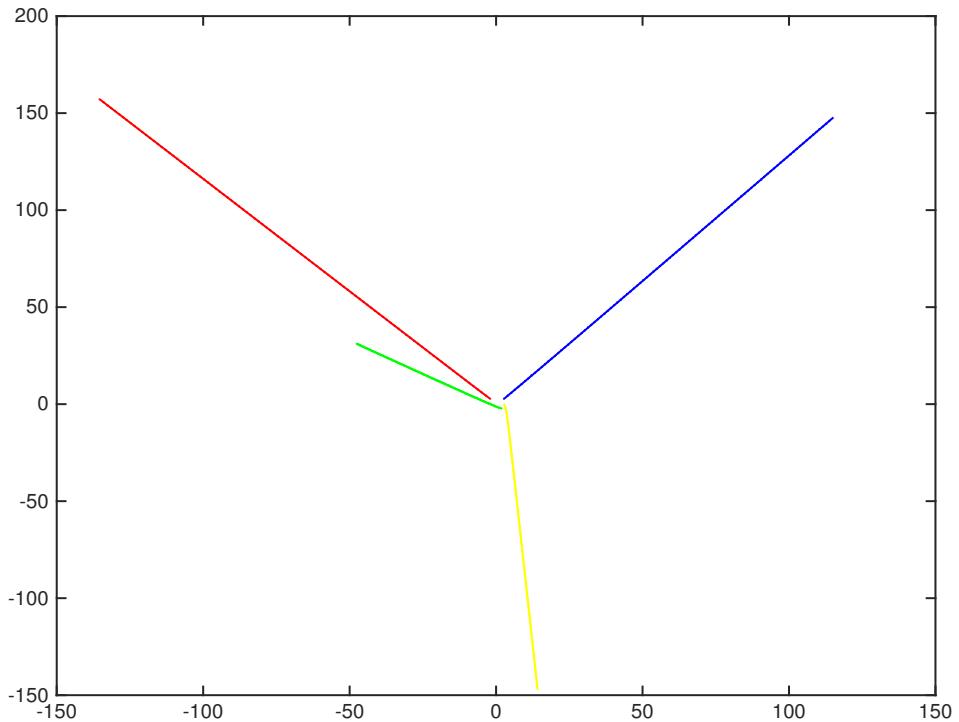


Figure 15: $p_0 = [1.2589 \quad 1.6232 \quad -1.4921 \quad 1.6535 \quad 0.5294 \quad -1.6098 \quad -0.8860 \quad 0.1875]$, $q_0 = [2.7450 \quad 2.7893 \quad -2.0543 \quad 2.8236 \quad 2.7430 \quad -0.0877 \quad 1.8017 \quad -2.1487]$, error of Hamiltonian when $T=100$ is 2.3093×10^{-13} with $N = 20$

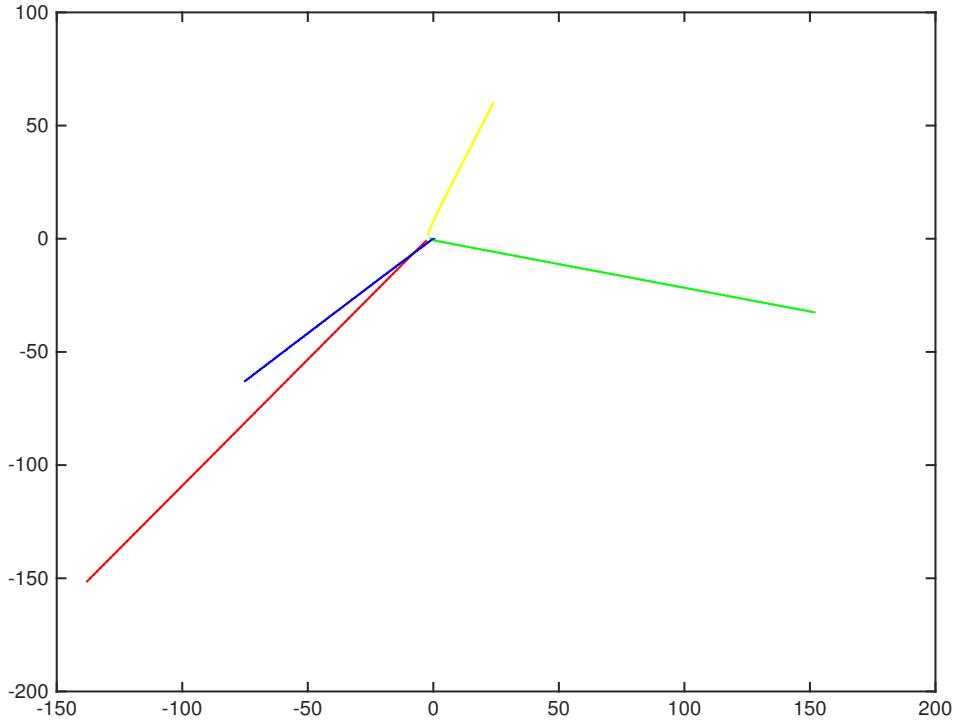


Figure 16: $p_0 = [-0.4782 \quad 0.2713 \quad -1.6966 \quad -1.7842 \quad 0.1232 \quad 1.1167 \quad 1.736 \quad -1.4804]$, $q_0 = [0.4129 \quad -0.1837 \quad -2.9286 \quad -0.9773 \quad -2.0269 \quad 1.7657 \quad -1.1327 \quad 0.1712]$, error of Hamiltonian when $T=100$ is 0.0012 with $N = 20$