

oscode: fast solutions of oscillatory ODEs in cosmology

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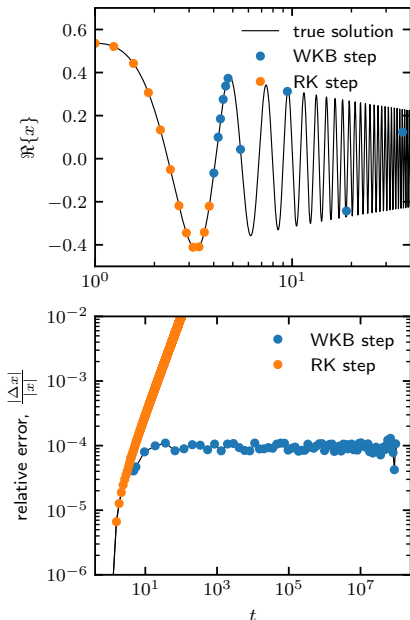
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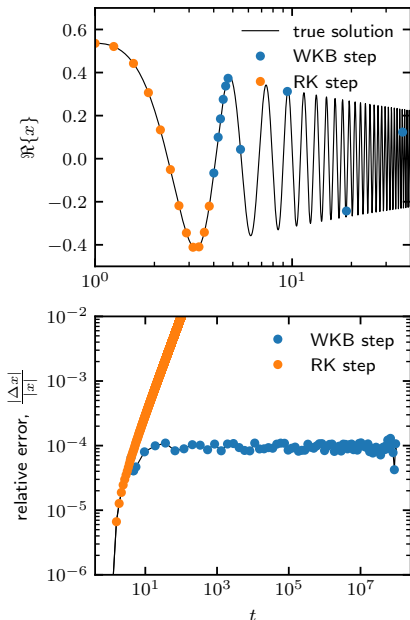
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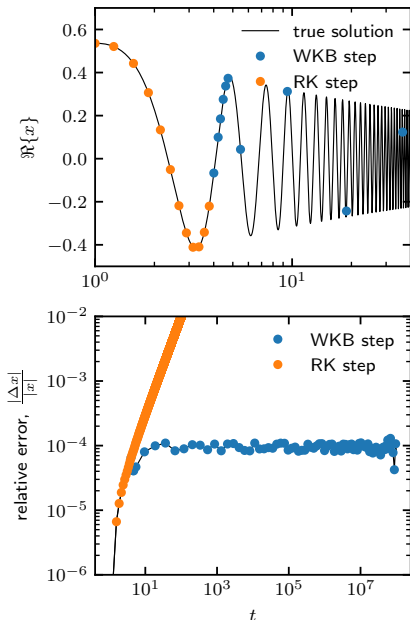
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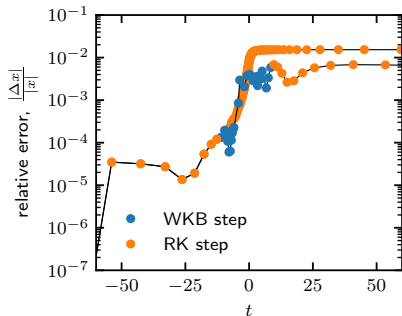
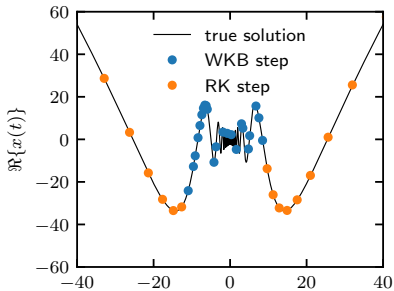
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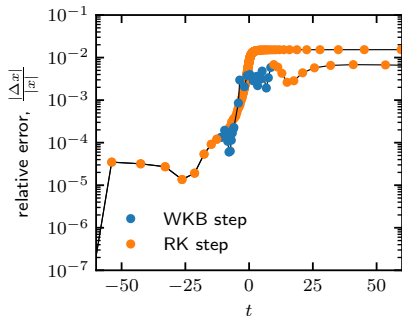
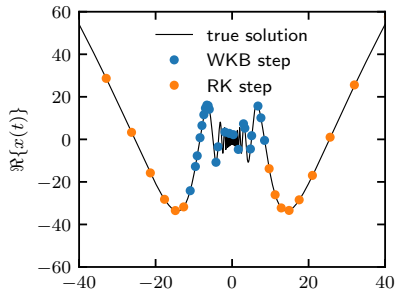
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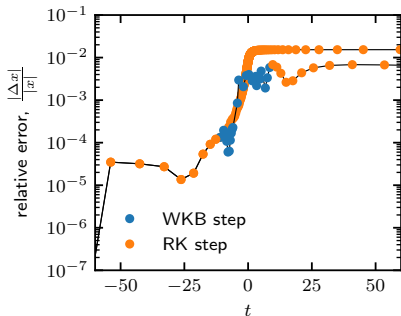
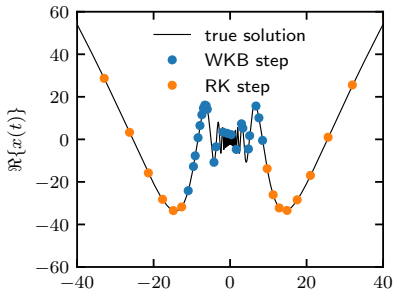
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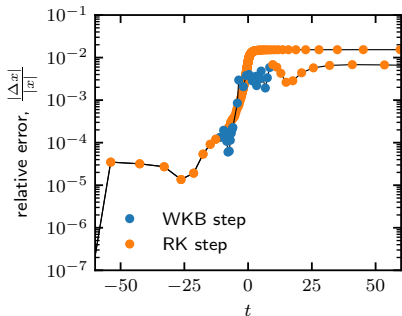
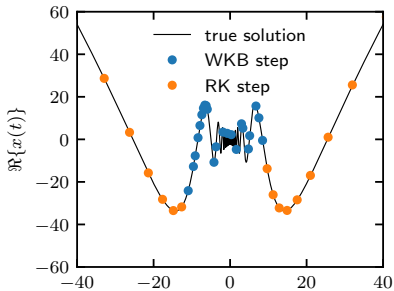
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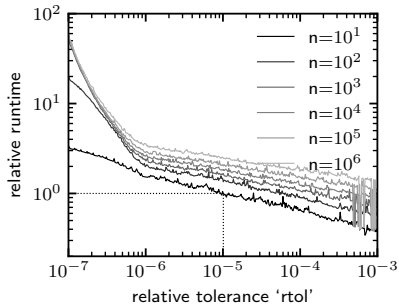
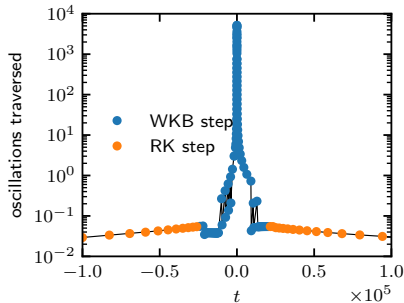
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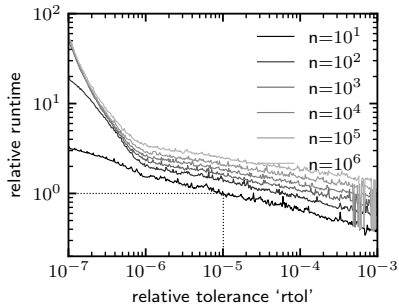
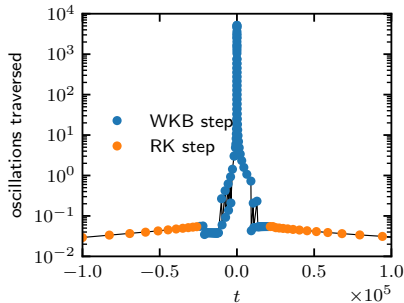
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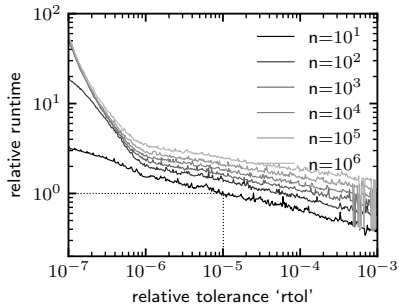
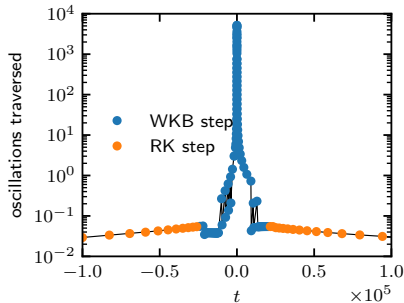
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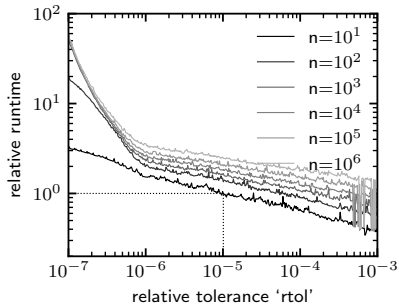
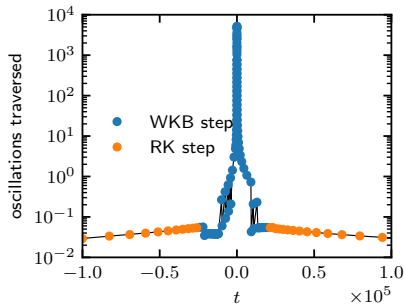
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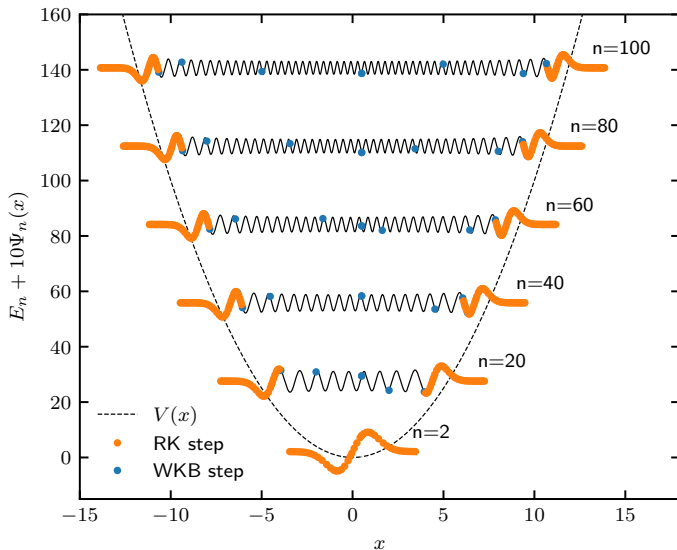
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Harmonic well + quartic anharmonicity

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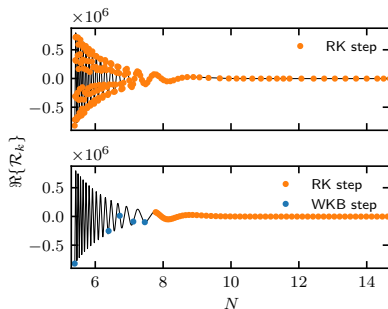
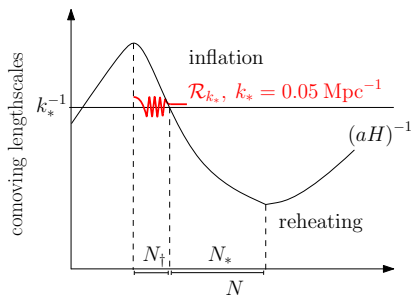
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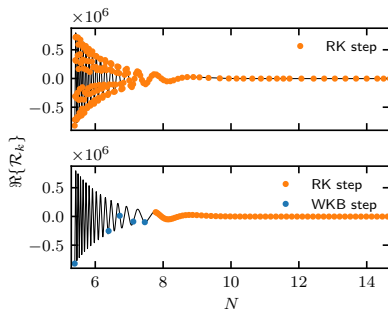
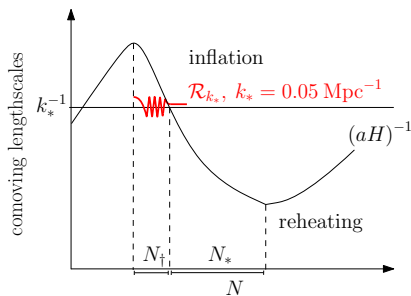
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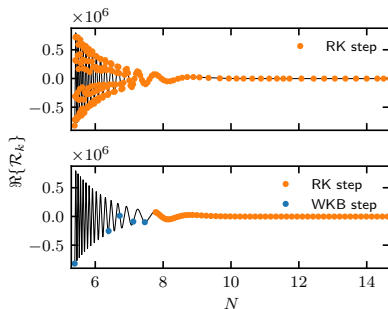
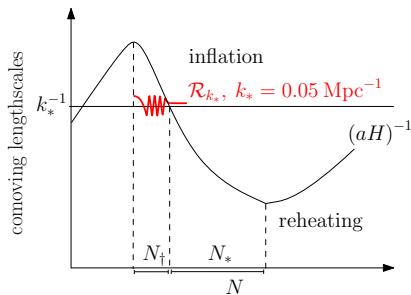
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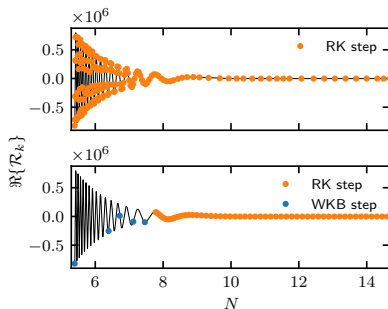
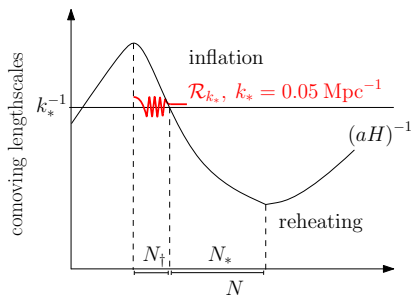
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Mukhanov–Sasaki equation

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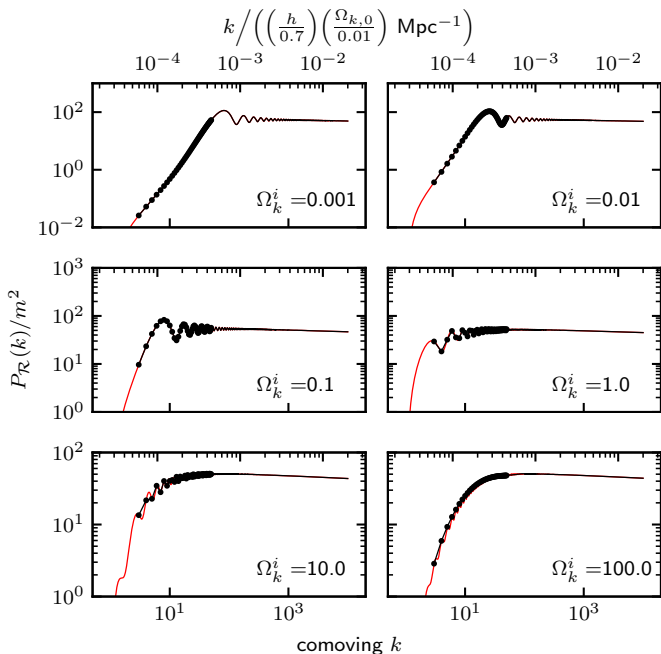
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fruzsinaagocs	Removed unnecessary dependency	Latest commit 31defcc on 24 Dec 2019
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pyoscode	Bug occurring when ti=tf corrected	last month
tests	Renamed test script so pytest can find it	7 months ago
.gitignore	Added cosmology example - primordial power spectra	8 months ago
.travis.yml	Removed 'nightly' python build	4 months ago
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Version: 0.1.2

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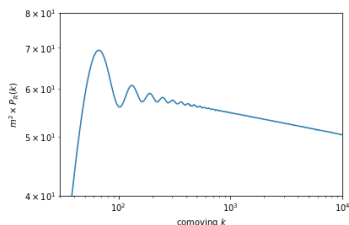
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where $\gamma(t)$ and $\omega(t)$ can be given as

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A closed universe

All we have to do differently is:

1. solve the background equations again with $K = 1$,

In [37]:

```
K = 1
N_i = -1.74
ok_i = 1.0
N = np.linspace(N_i, N_f, Nbg)
# Initial conditions
phi_i = np.sqrt(4. * (1./ok_i + K) * np.exp(-2.0 * N_i) / m**2)
logok_i = np.log(ok_i)
y_i = np.array([logok_i, phi_i])
# Solve for the background until the end of inflation
endinfl.terminal = True
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bgsol = solve_ivp(bgeqs, (N_i, N_f), y_i, events=endinfl, t_eval=N, rtol=1e-8, atol=1e-10)
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Number of e-folds of inflation now is

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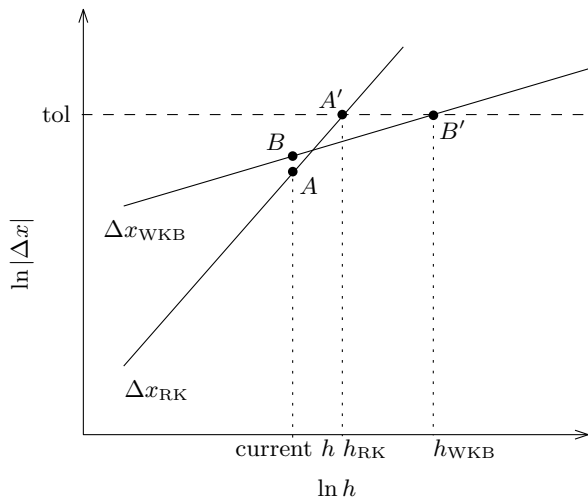
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Error estimates



Gauss–Lobatto integration

Gaussian quadrature

$$\int_a^b w(x)f(x)dx \simeq \sum_{i=1}^n w_i f(x_i)$$

Gauss – Lobatto quadrature

interval(a, b) : [-1, 1]

w(x) : 1

polynomials : $P'_{n-1}(x)$

Gauss – Lobatto quadrature

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x)dx \simeq \frac{2}{n(n-1)}(f(-1) + f(1)) + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} w_i f(x_i)$$

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \simeq \frac{b-a}{2} \left[\frac{2(f(a)+f(b))}{n(n-1)} + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i f\left(\frac{b-a}{2}x_i + \frac{b+a}{2}\right) \right]$$

Extended WKB

$$\ddot{x} + 2\gamma\dot{x} + T^2\omega^2x = 0. \quad (1)$$

$$x(t) \sim \exp\left(T \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_n(t) T^{-n}\right). \quad (2)$$

$$\dot{S}_0(t) = \pm i\omega, \quad (3)$$

$$\dot{S}_i(t) = -\frac{1}{2S_0'} \left(\ddot{S}_{i-1} + 2\gamma\dot{S}_{i-1} + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \dot{S}_j \dot{S}_{i-j} \right). \quad (4)$$