

GYRE: Yet another oscillation code, why we need it and how it works

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What might one want from a new code?

- Improved flexibility to handle new problems
 - oscillations with differential rotation & magnetic fields
 - dynamic tides in binary stars
- Greater accuracy and robustness
 - “hands-off” asteroseismic analyses
 - integrated oscillation & stellar evolution simulations
- Higher performance
 - Take advantage of multiple cores / nodes

GYRE: A new oscillation code suite

- Programmatic motivation: developed as part of “*Wave transport of angular momentum: a new spin on massive-star evolution*” (NSF grant #AST 0908688)
- Personal motivations:
 - why does the BOOJUM code (Townsend 2005) work in cases x and y, but not in case z?
 - I enjoy programming!

Statement of the problem

- Stellar oscillation is a linear two-point boundary-value problem (BVP):

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = A(x) y$$

$$B_a y_a \equiv B_a y(x_a) = 0$$

$$B_b y_b \equiv B_b y(x_b) = 0$$

- The problem specifics are defined by the Jacobian matrix A and the boundary conditions B

Alternative approaches to solving BVPs

Shooting



Smeyers (1966, 1967)

Relaxation



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At a fundamental level, both approaches are the same!

Relaxation

- Replace the differential equations by finite differences on a discrete grid $x = x^k$ ($k = 1, \dots, N$):

$$\frac{\mathbf{y}^{k+1} - \mathbf{y}^k}{x^{k+1} - x^k} = A \left(\frac{x^{k+1} + x^k}{2} \right) \frac{\mathbf{y}^{k+1} + \mathbf{y}^k}{2}$$

- Combine the difference equations with the boundary conditions to form a large, sparse linear system for \mathbf{y}^k

Shooting via superposition

- Use initial-value problem (IVP) integrator to solve

$$\frac{dY}{dx} = A(x)Y, \quad Y(x_a) = I$$

- The fundamental solution Y relates \mathbf{y}^b back to \mathbf{y}^a :

$$\mathbf{y}^b = Y(x^b) \mathbf{y}^a$$

- The BVP becomes a linear system for \mathbf{y}^a :

$$B^a \mathbf{y}^a = 0$$

$$B^b Y(x^b) \mathbf{y}^a = 0$$

Multiple shooting: the best of both worlds

- Apply shooting across multiple intervals of a discrete grid $x = x^k$ ($k = 1, \dots, N$):

$$\mathbf{y}^{k+1} = \mathbf{Y}(x^{k+1}; x^k) \mathbf{y}^k$$

- Combine with the boundary conditions to form large, sparse linear system for \mathbf{y}^k
- Stability is improved vs. single/double shooting
- Depending on how we evaluate $\mathbf{Y}^{k+1,k} = \mathbf{Y}(x^{k+1}; x^k)$, accuracy is improved vs. relaxation
- Multiple shooting is easy to parallelize

Calculating the fundamental solution matrices

- Simple approach following Gabriel & Noels (1976): assume the Jacobian matrix $A(x)$ is constant in each interval $x^k \leq x \leq x^{k+1}$
- The fundamental solution matrix is then a matrix exponential:

$$Y^{k+1;k} = \exp \left\{ [x^{k+1} - x^k] A \right\}$$

- This approach has *arbitrarily high resolution* of eigenfunction oscillations
- However, it is only second-order accurate

Higher-order approaches using the Magnus method

- Magnus (1954): solutions to the IVP

$$\frac{dY}{dx} = A(x)Y, \quad Y(x_a) = I$$

can be written as

$$Y = \exp \{M(x)\}$$

- The Magnus matrix M can be expanded as an infinite series, with leading terms

$$M(x) = \int_{x_a}^x A(x_1) dx_1 - \frac{1}{2} \int_{x_a}^x \left[\int_{x_a}^{x_1} A(x_2) dx_2, A(x_1) \right] dx_1 + \dots$$

Magnus methods in GYRE

- Integrals in the Magnus expansion are evaluated using Gauss-Legendre quadrature
- Matrix exponentials are evaluated via a spectral decomposition of M :

$$\exp M = U(\exp \Lambda)U^{-1}$$

- Three choices in GYRE:
 - MAGNUS_GL2 – 2nd order (Gabriel & Noels approach)
 - MAGNUS_GL4 – 4th order
 - MAGNUS_GL6 – 6th order

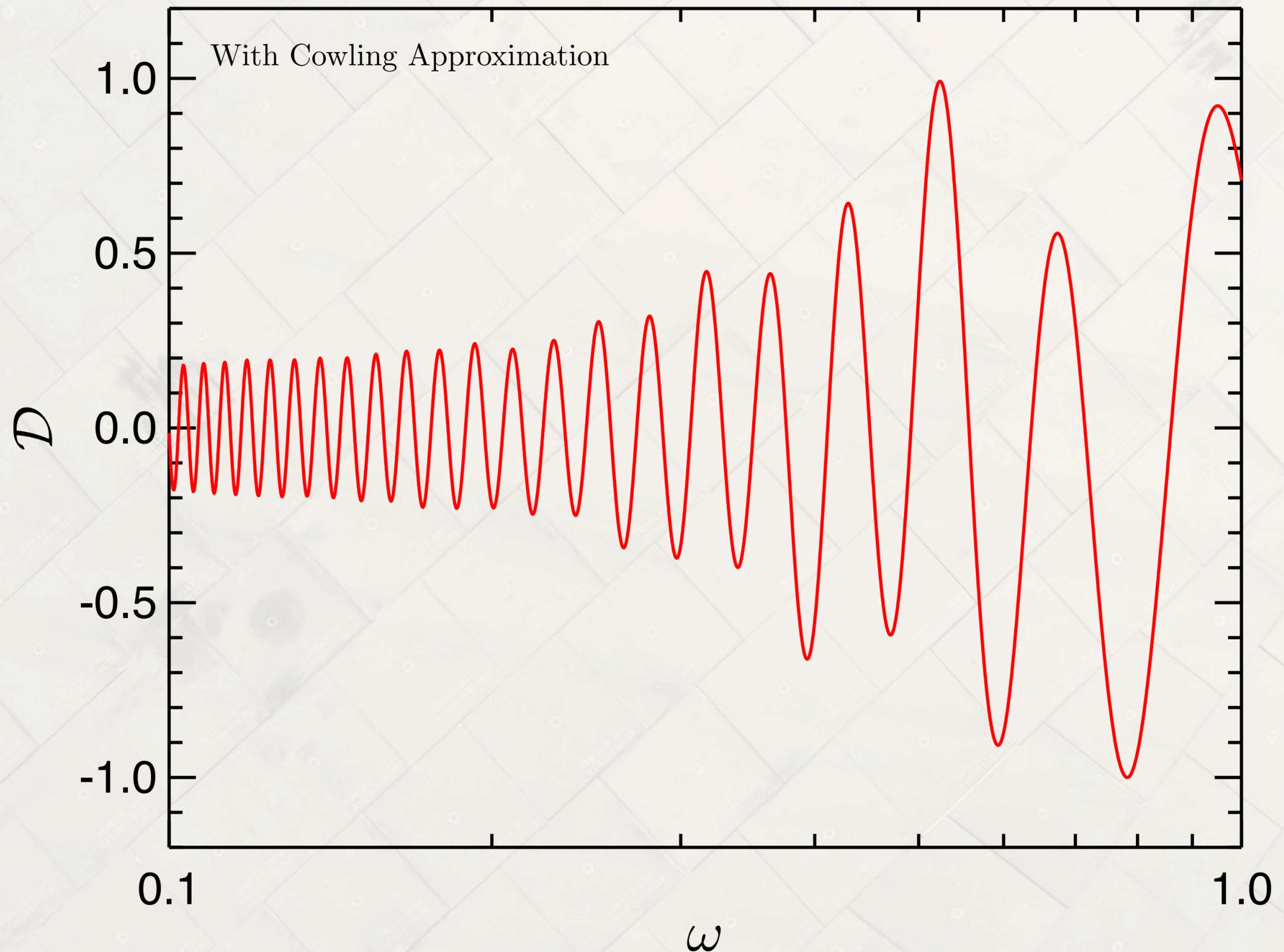
Stellar oscillation is an eigenproblem

- The oscillation equations appear to be overdetermined:
 - 4 differential equations (adiabatic case)
 - 4 boundary conditions
 - 1 arbitrary normalization condition
- The BVP can only be solved at discrete values of the oscillation frequency ω appearing in the Jacobian matrix
- These discrete values are the *eigenfrequencies*; the corresponding solutions are the *eigenfunctions*

Castor's method

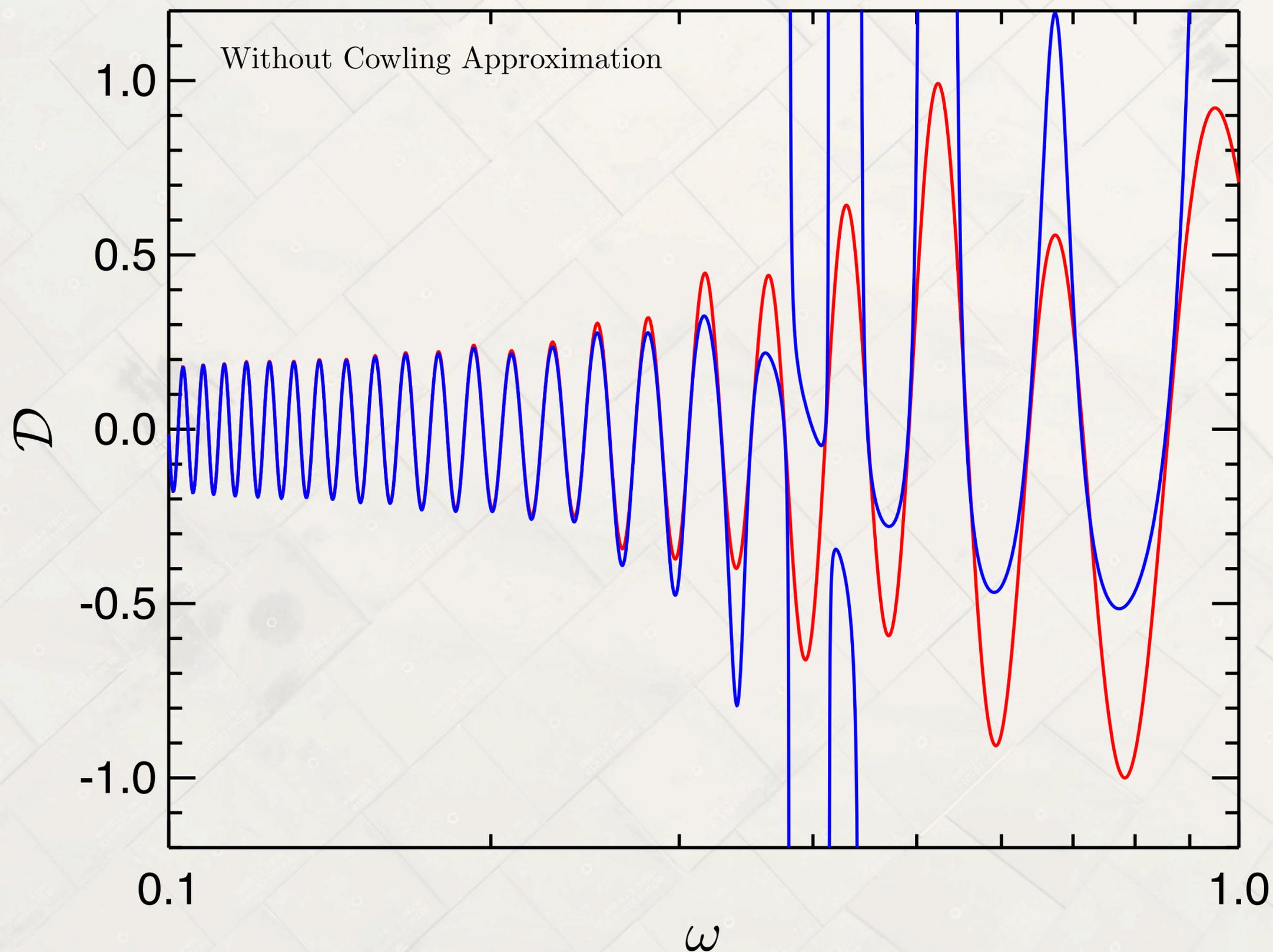
- Replace one of the boundary conditions with the normalization condition
- The BVP can then be solved for any value of the frequency ω
- Use the neglected boundary condition to define a discriminant function $D(\omega)$, such that D is zero when the boundary condition is satisfied
- The roots of $D(\omega)$ then correspond to the stellar eigenfrequencies

Ill-behaved discriminants: The downfall of Castor's method



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Recognizing the problem

- The equations plus boundary conditions can be written as a linear, homogeneous system:

$$S \mathbf{u} = 0$$

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} B^a & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ -Y^{2;1} & I & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -Y^{3;2} & I & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -Y^{N;N-1} & I \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & B^b \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} y^1 \\ y^2 \\ \vdots \\ y^N \end{pmatrix}$$

Solution of linear, homogeneous systems

- *Any* system of linear, homogeneous equations admits non-trivial solutions ($\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}$) when the determinant of the matrix S vanishes
- Hence, the determinant can be adopted as the discriminant function:

$$D(\omega) = \det S$$

- The determinant is a polynomial in the components of S ; if these components are well behaved, then so is D

Evaluating the determinant in GYRE

- LU decompose the system matrix

$$S = LU$$

- Form the determinant as the diagonal product

$$\det S = \prod_i U_{i,i}$$

- Wright (1994, *Numer. Math.* **67**, 521) gives a parallel algorithm for LU decomposition, which performs well on shared-memory systems

Dealing with determinant overflow

“For a matrix of any substantial size, it is quite likely that the determinant will overflow or underflow your computer’s floating point dynamic range”

Numerical Recipes in Fortran, 2nd ed., “Determinant of a Matrix”

Solution: use extended-precision arithmetic

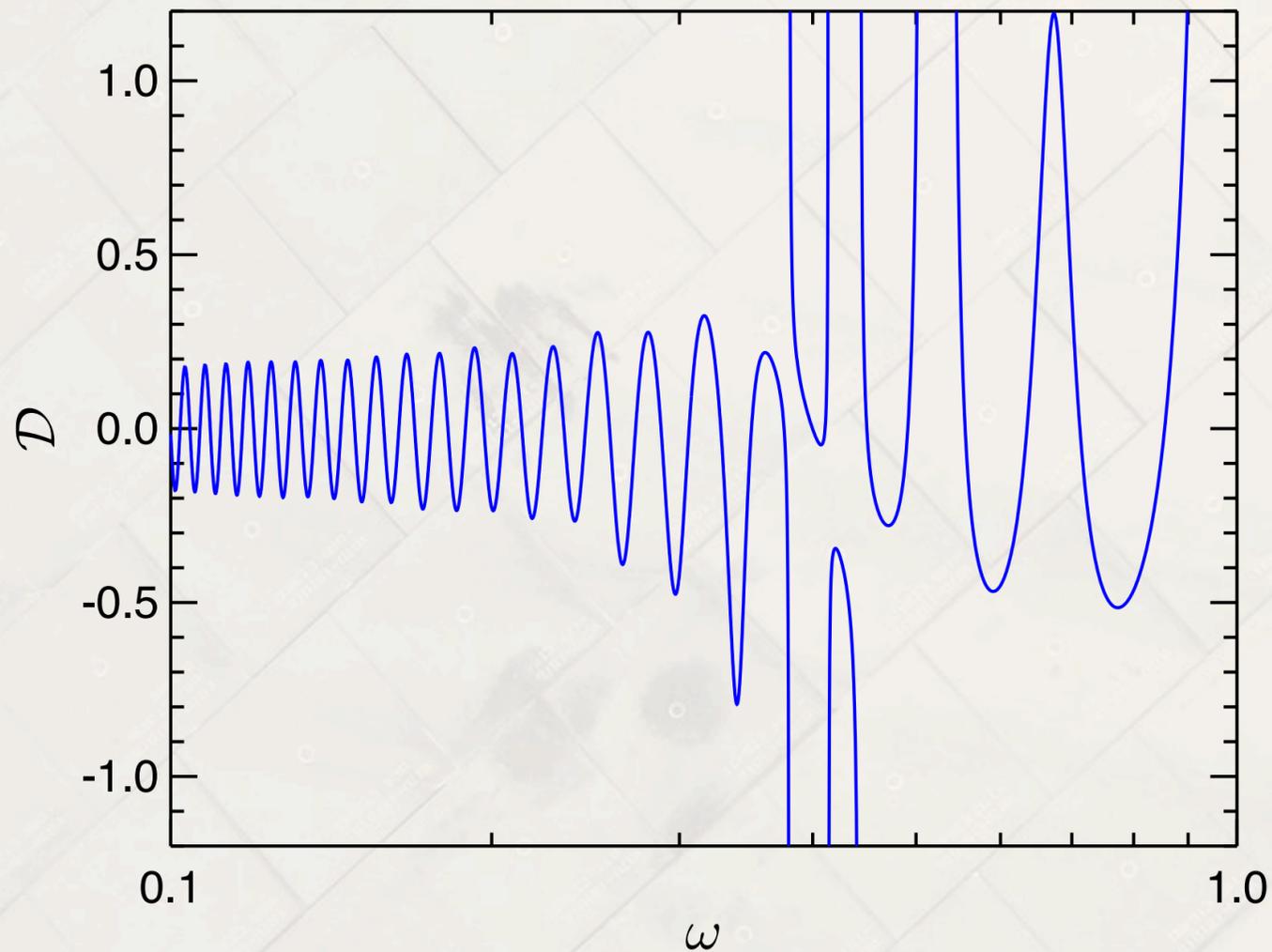
$$x = f \times 2^e$$
$$f \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0.25 < f \leq 0.5$$
$$e \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad |e| \leq 2147483647$$

Summarizing the GYRE approach

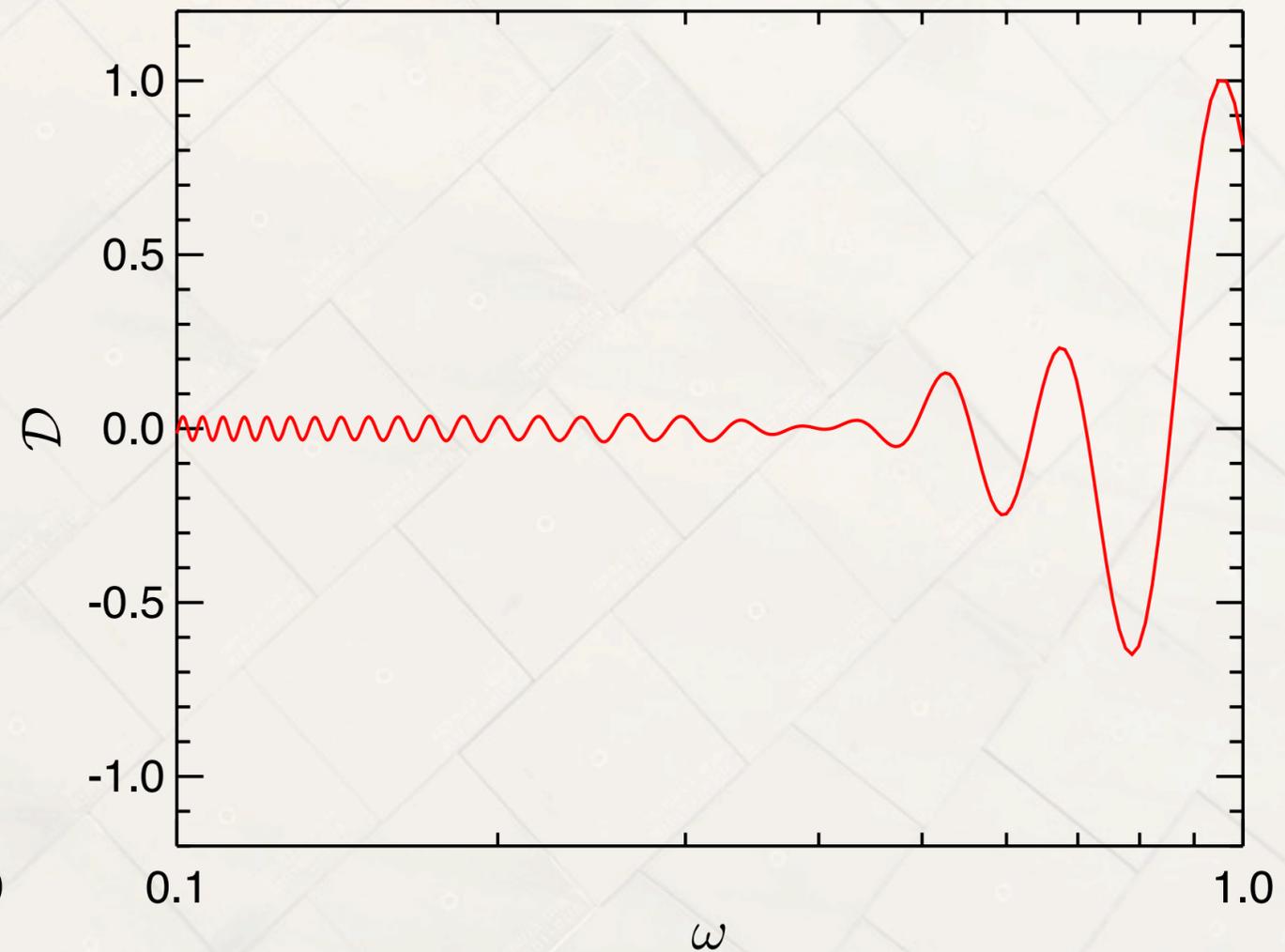
- GYRE uses a *Magnus multiple shooting* (MMS) scheme for BVPs
- Multiple shooting is used for robustness & performance
- Magnus methods are used for accuracy
- A determinant-based discriminant avoids the problems of Castor's method
- The code is parallelized with both Open MP and MPI

Old vs. new discriminants

Castor (BOOJUM)

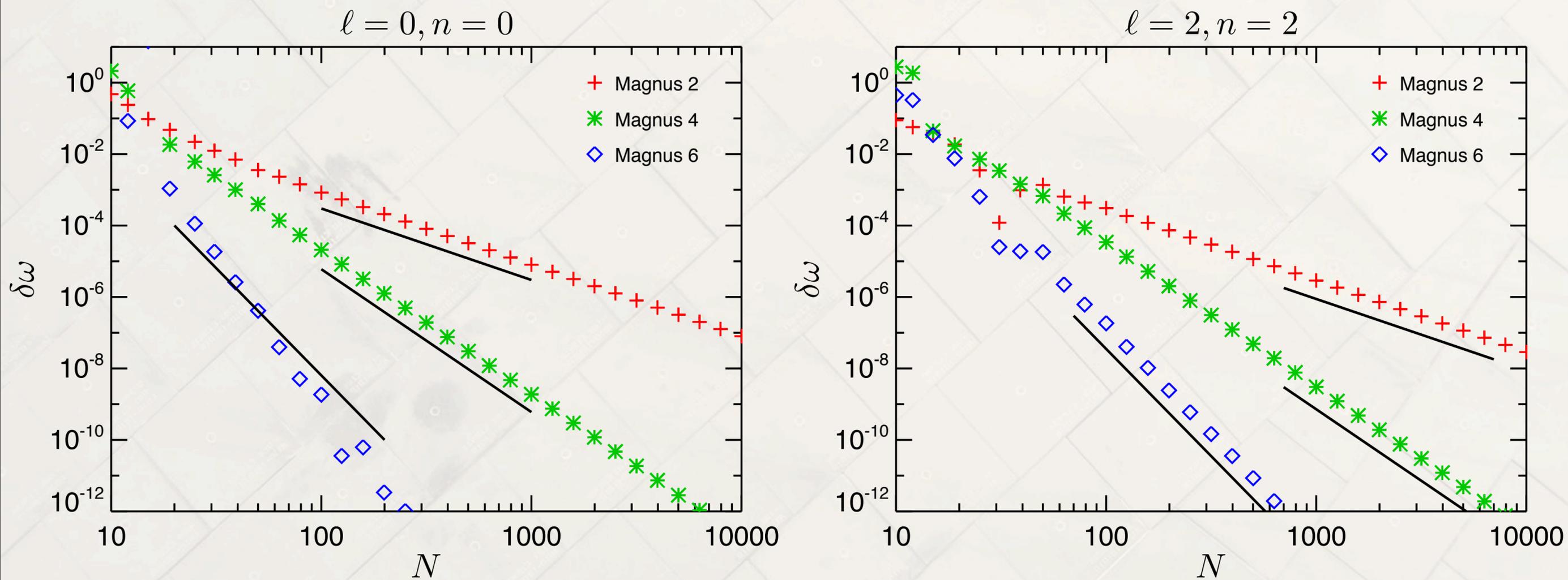


Determinant (GYRE)



Both discriminants have the same roots; but the determinant-based discriminant is well behaved

Testing convergence with the $n = 0$ polytrope



For each Magnus method, the error in the eigenfrequency has the expected scaling

Comparison against ESTA results

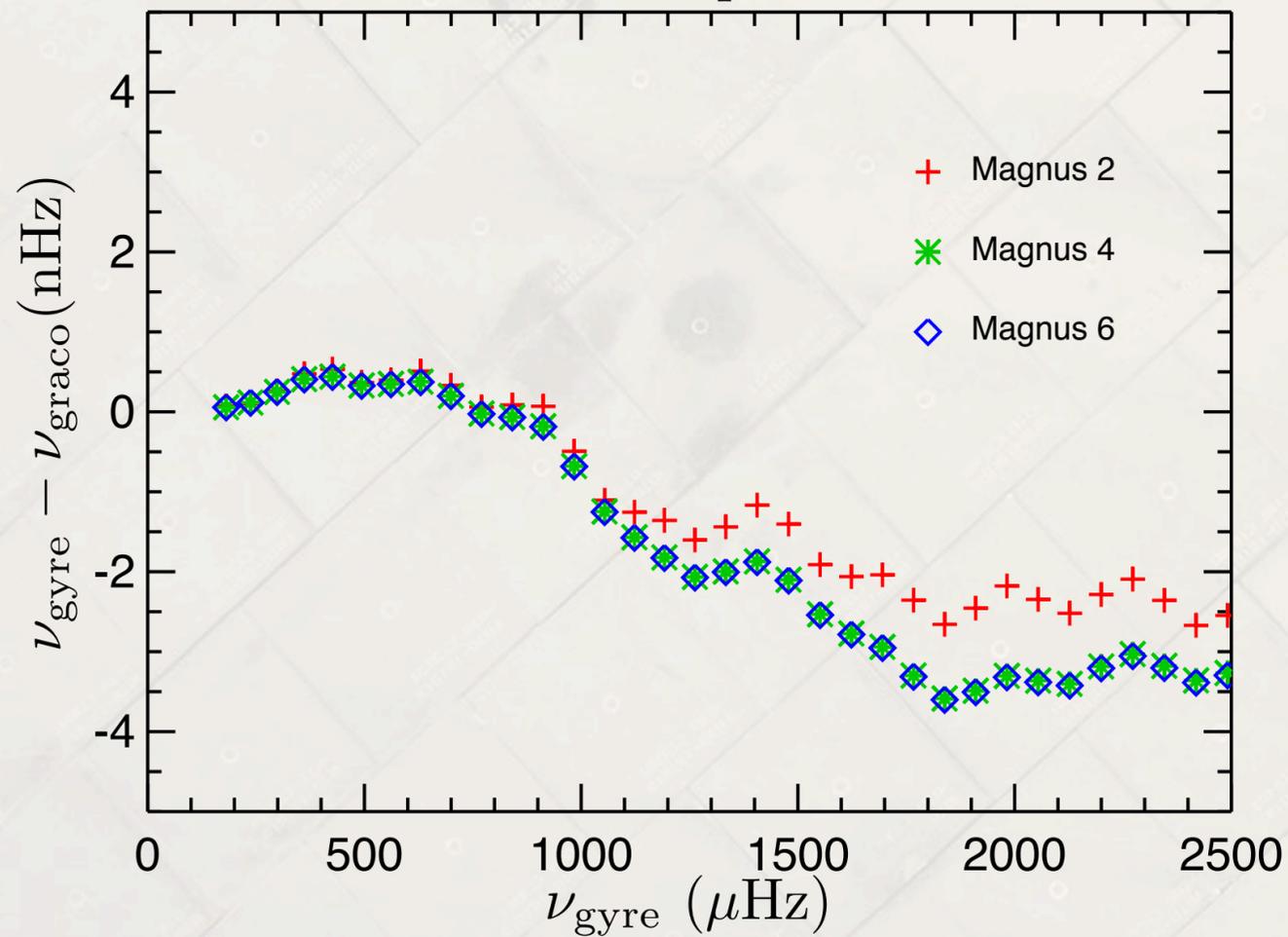
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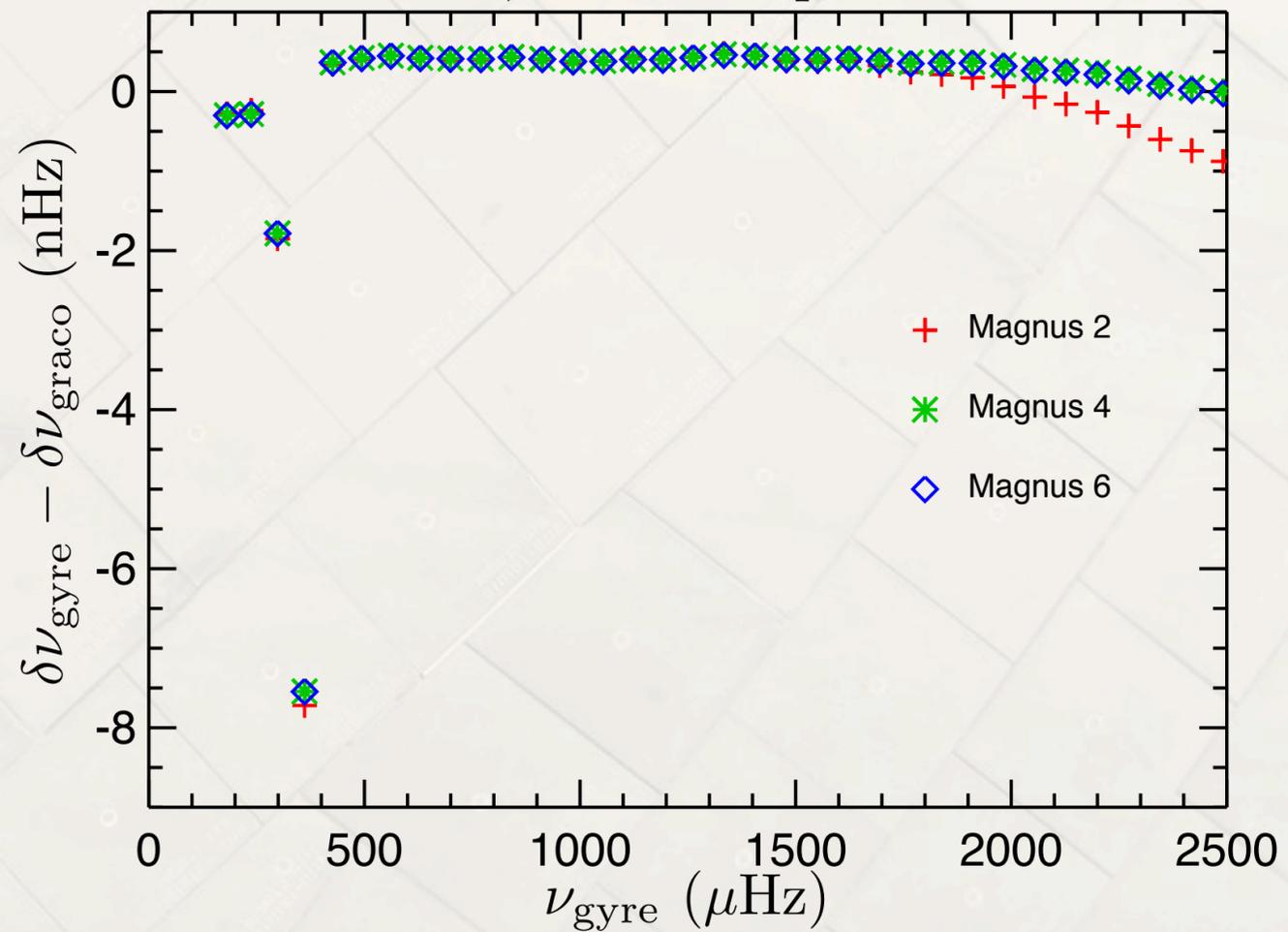
Inter-comparison of the g-, f- and p-modes calculated using different oscillation codes for a given stellar model

A. Moya · J. Christensen-Dalsgaard · S. Charpinet · Y. Lebreton · A. Miglio ·
J. Montalbán · M.J.P.F.G. Monteiro · J. Provost · I.W. Roxburgh · R. Scuflaire ·
J.C. Suárez · M. Suran

$\ell = 0$ Frequencies



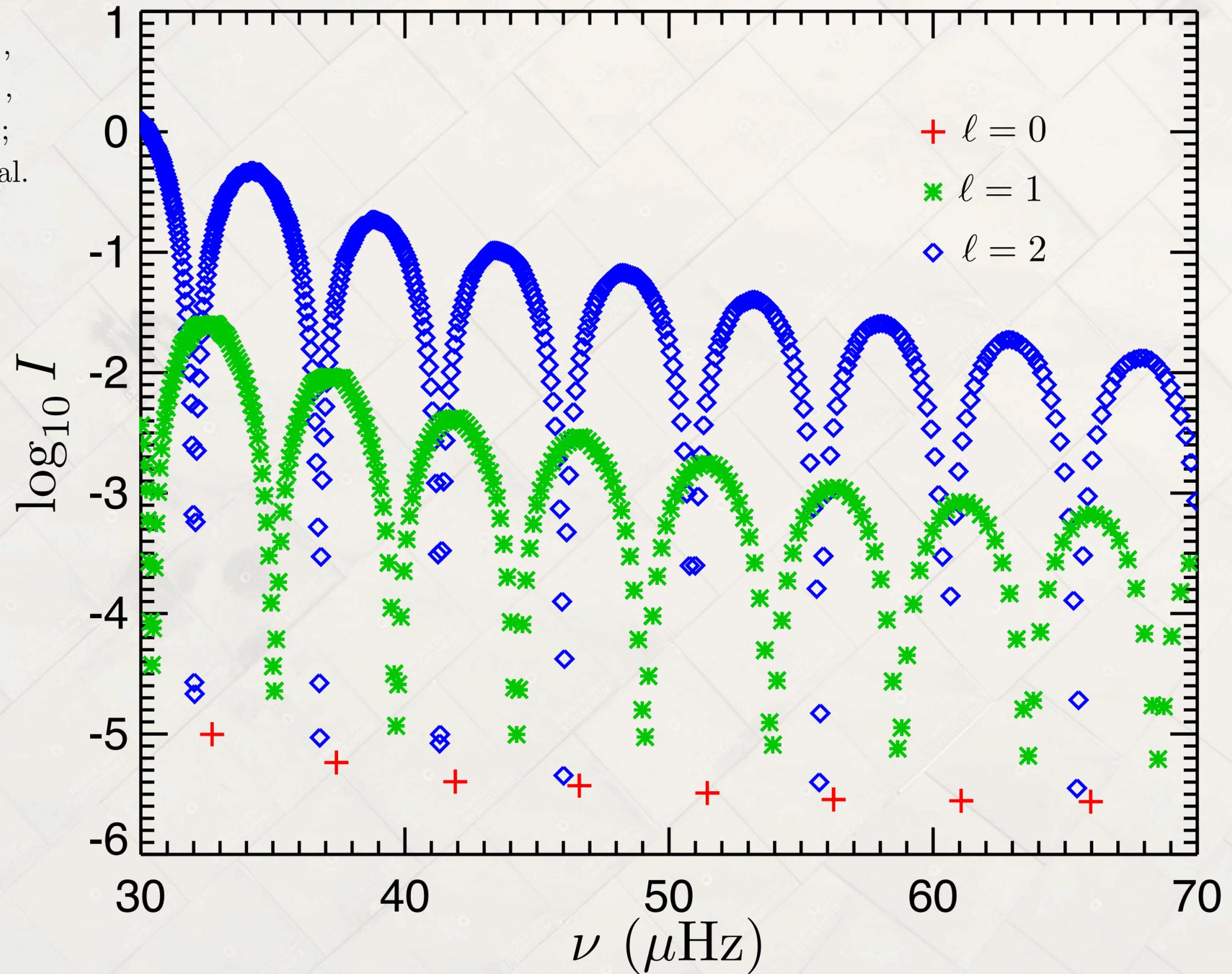
$\ell = 0, 2$ Small Separation



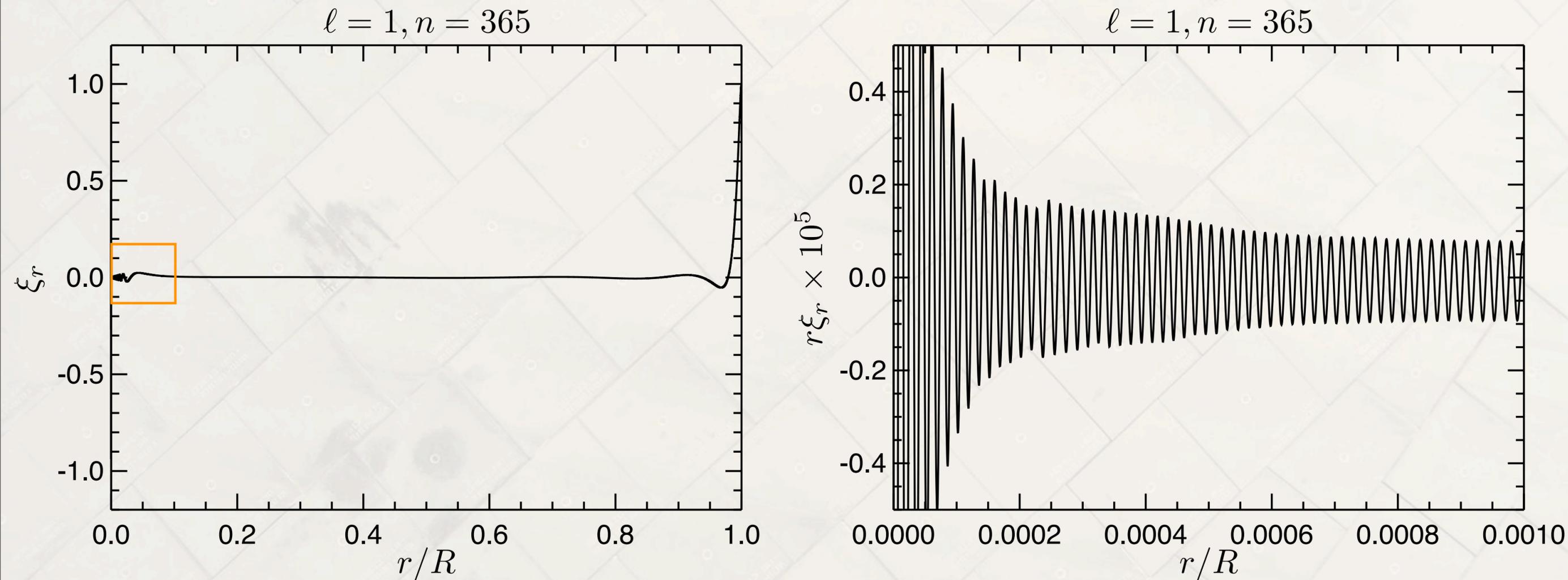
In all cases, departures from ESTA results are small

g-mode inertias in a red giant model

$M = 2.0 M_{\odot}$,
 $R = 11.0 R_{\odot}$,
 $L = 57.8 L_{\odot}$;
cf. Dupret et al.
(2009)

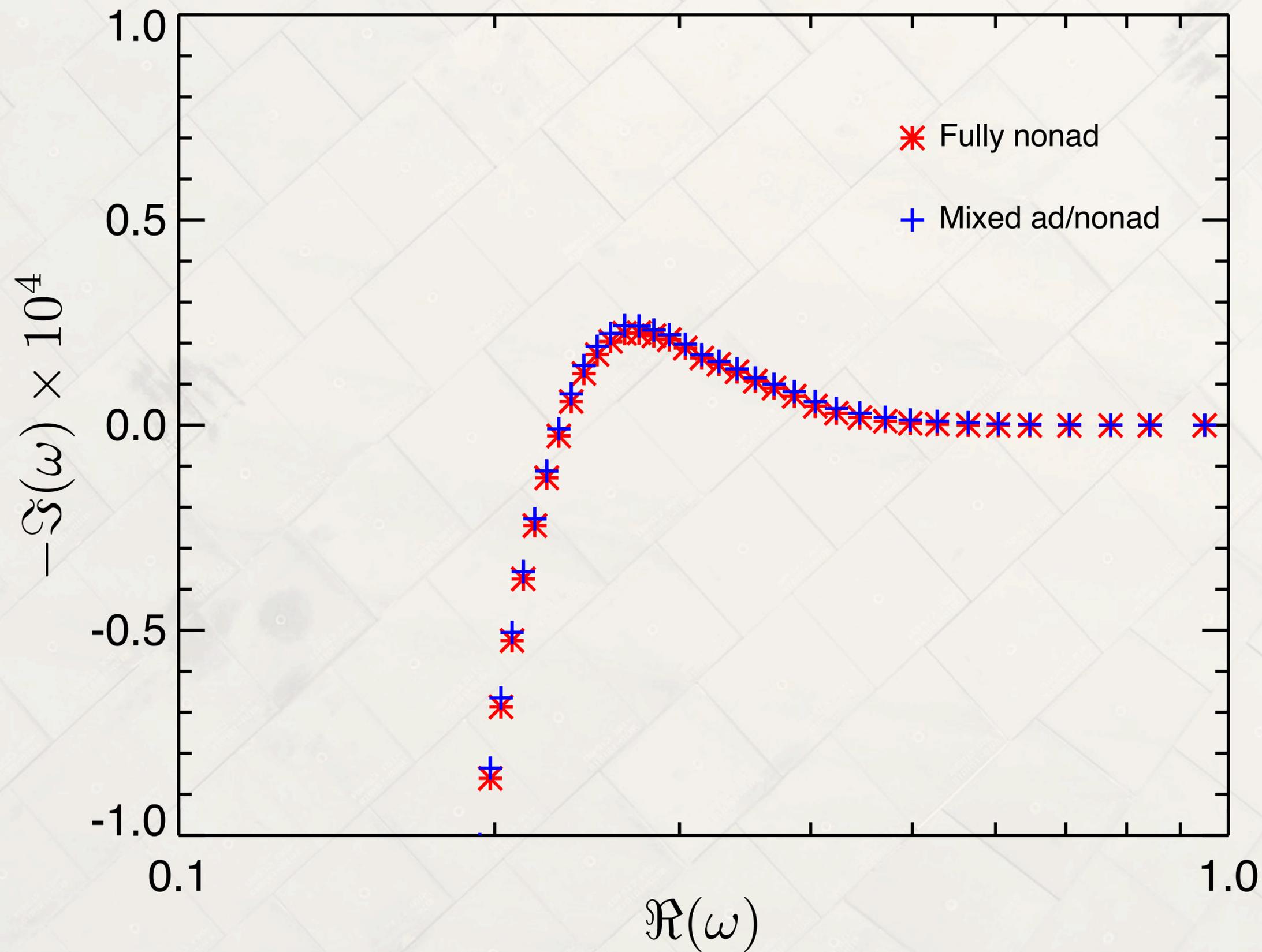


Example eigenfunction of the red giant model



The Magnus method readily handles the highly oscillatory eigenfunctions in the stellar core

Nonadiabatic eigenfrequencies for a mid-B type star

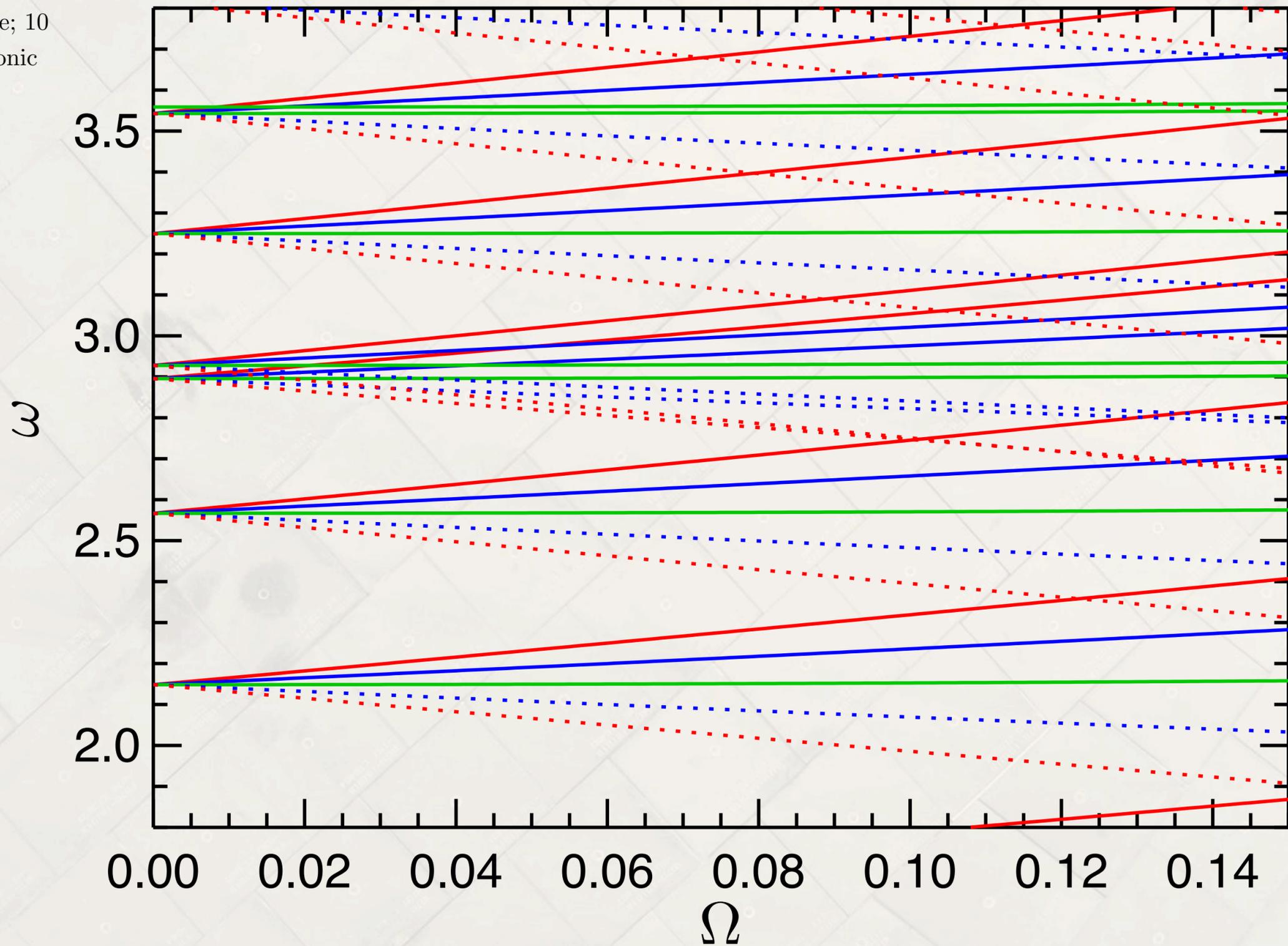


The mixed adiabatic/nonadiabatic approach is numerically more robust,
without sacrificing accuracy

Rotational splitting in the $n = 0$ polytrope

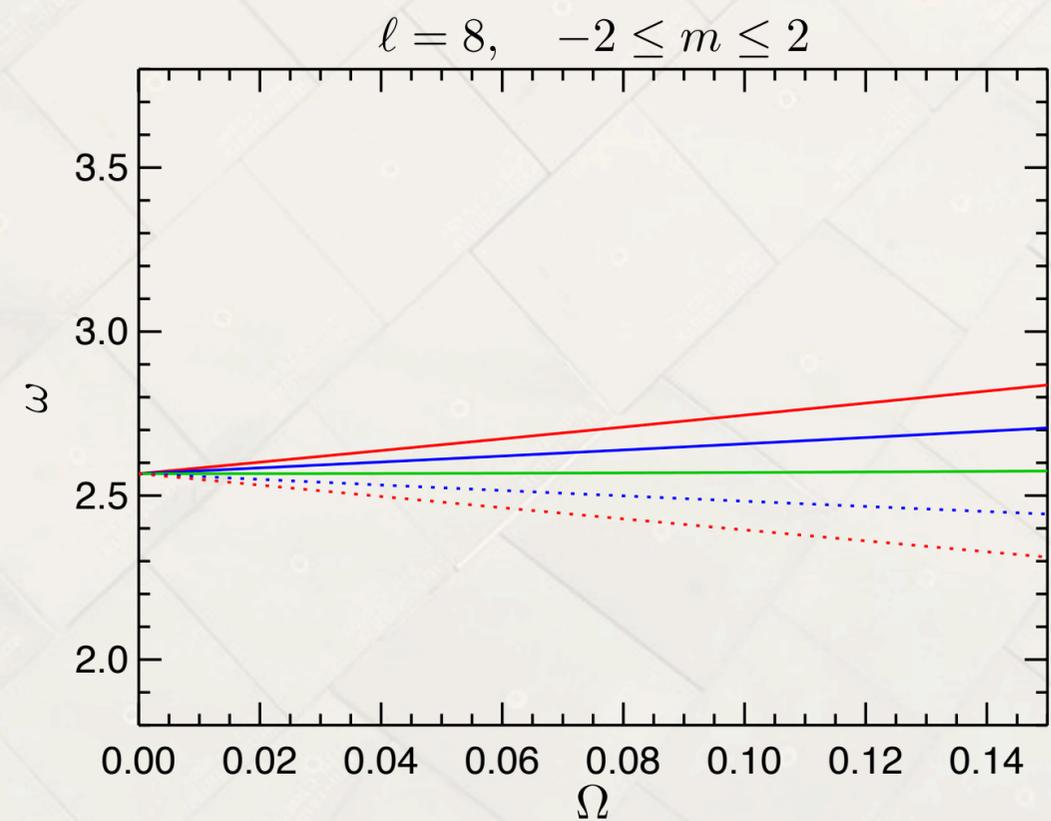
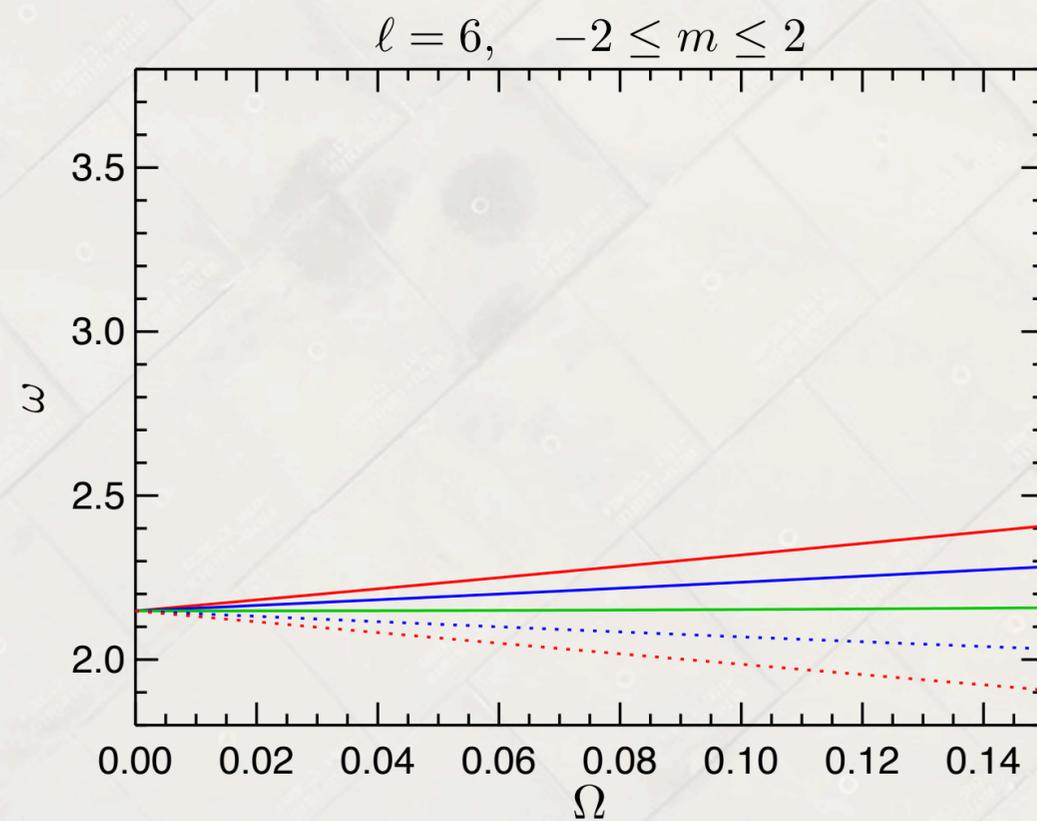
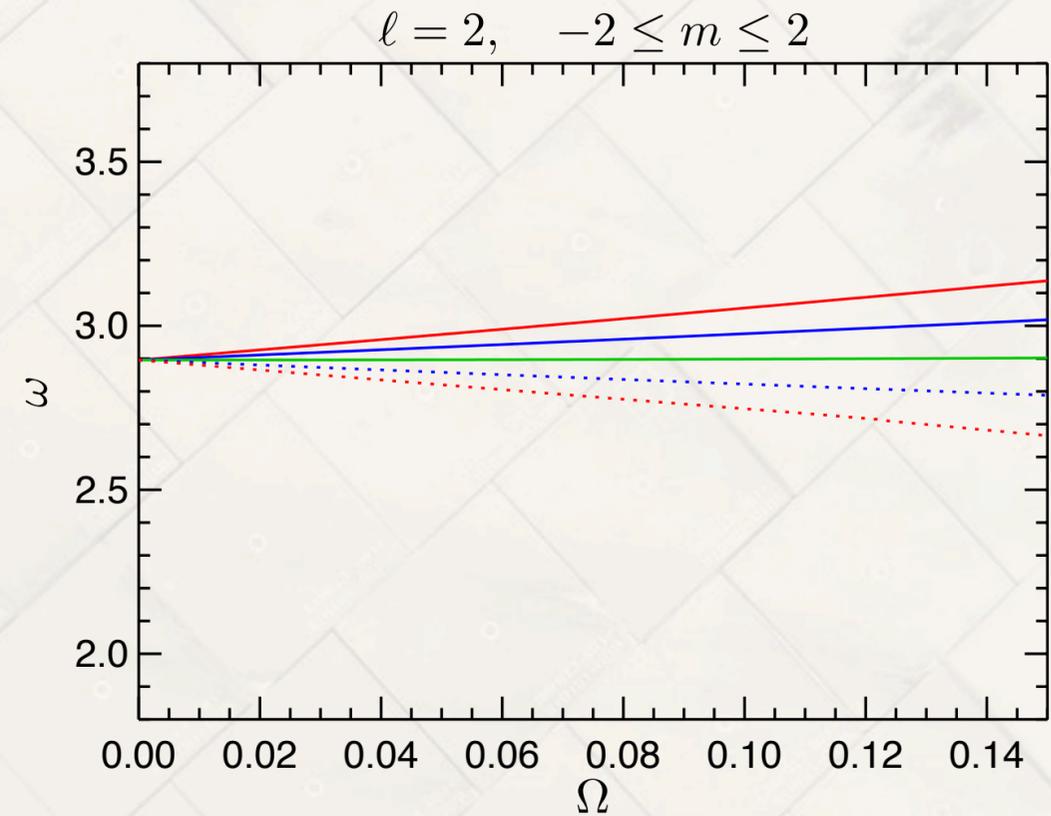
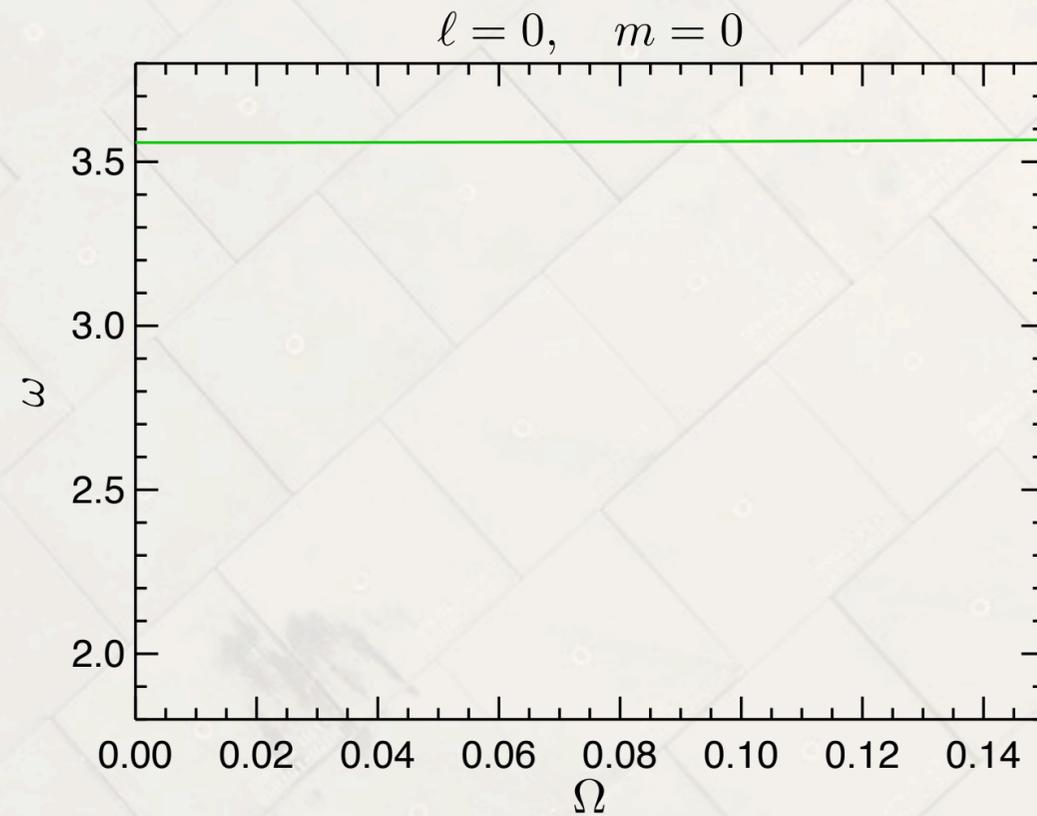
$$-2 \leq m \leq 2$$

Non-perturbative; 10
spherical harmonic
terms



Modes with $\ell = 0, 2, 4, \dots$ all appear together

Rotational splitting: Cleaning up the mess

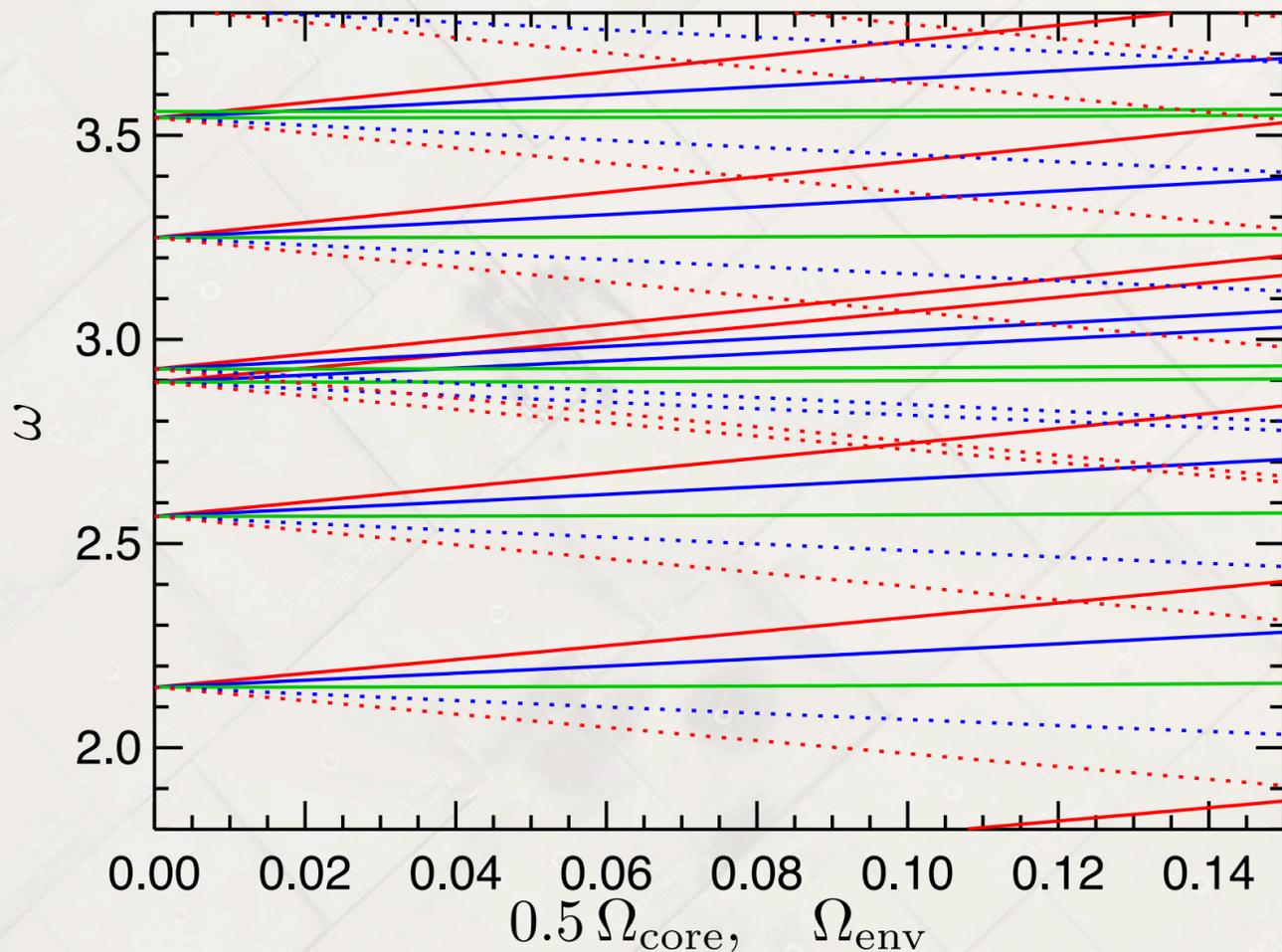


Mode tracking uses the fact that mode frequencies evolve continuously with Ω

Differential rotation: the $n = 0$ polytrope with core/envelope shear

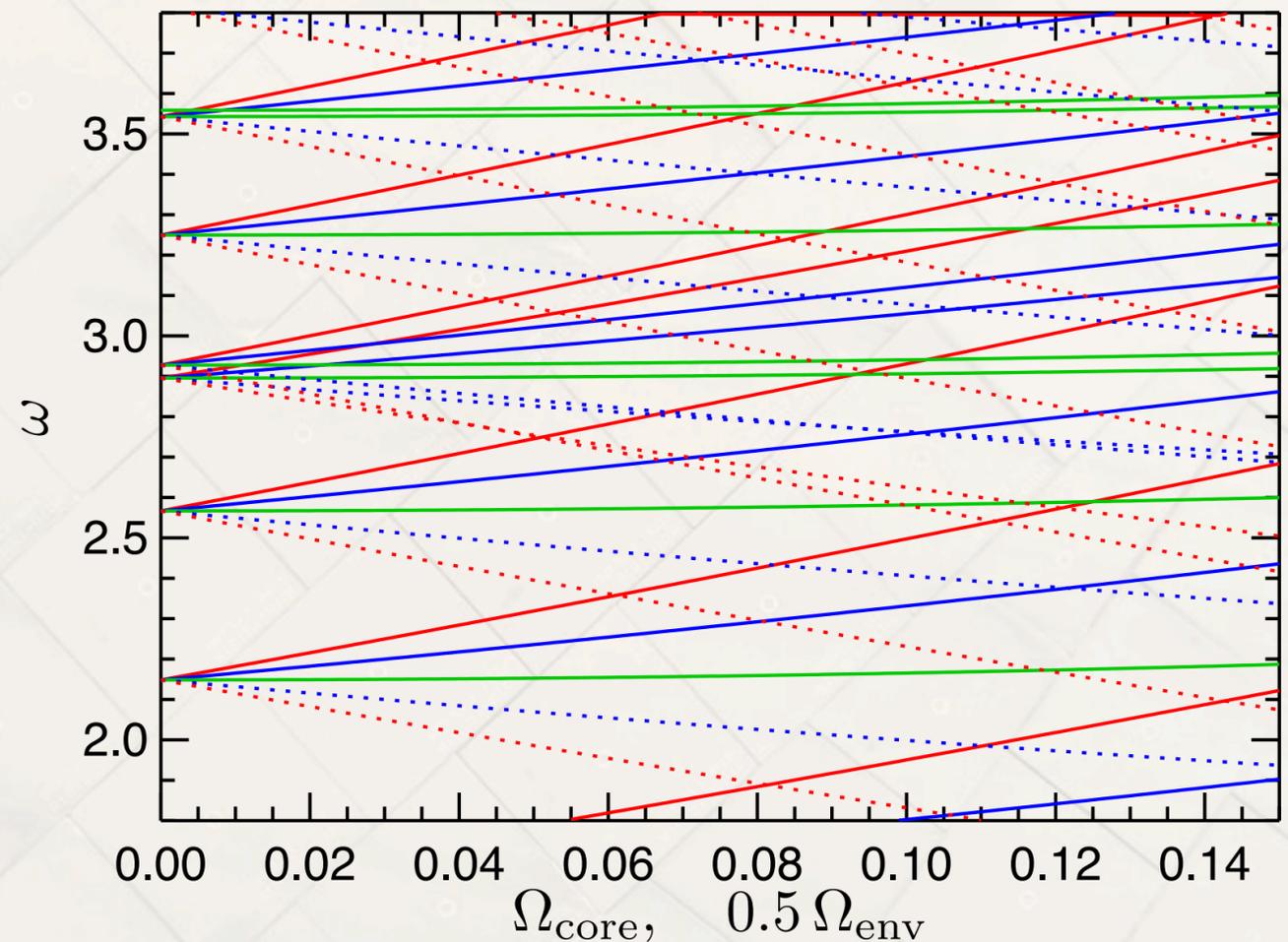
Fast core

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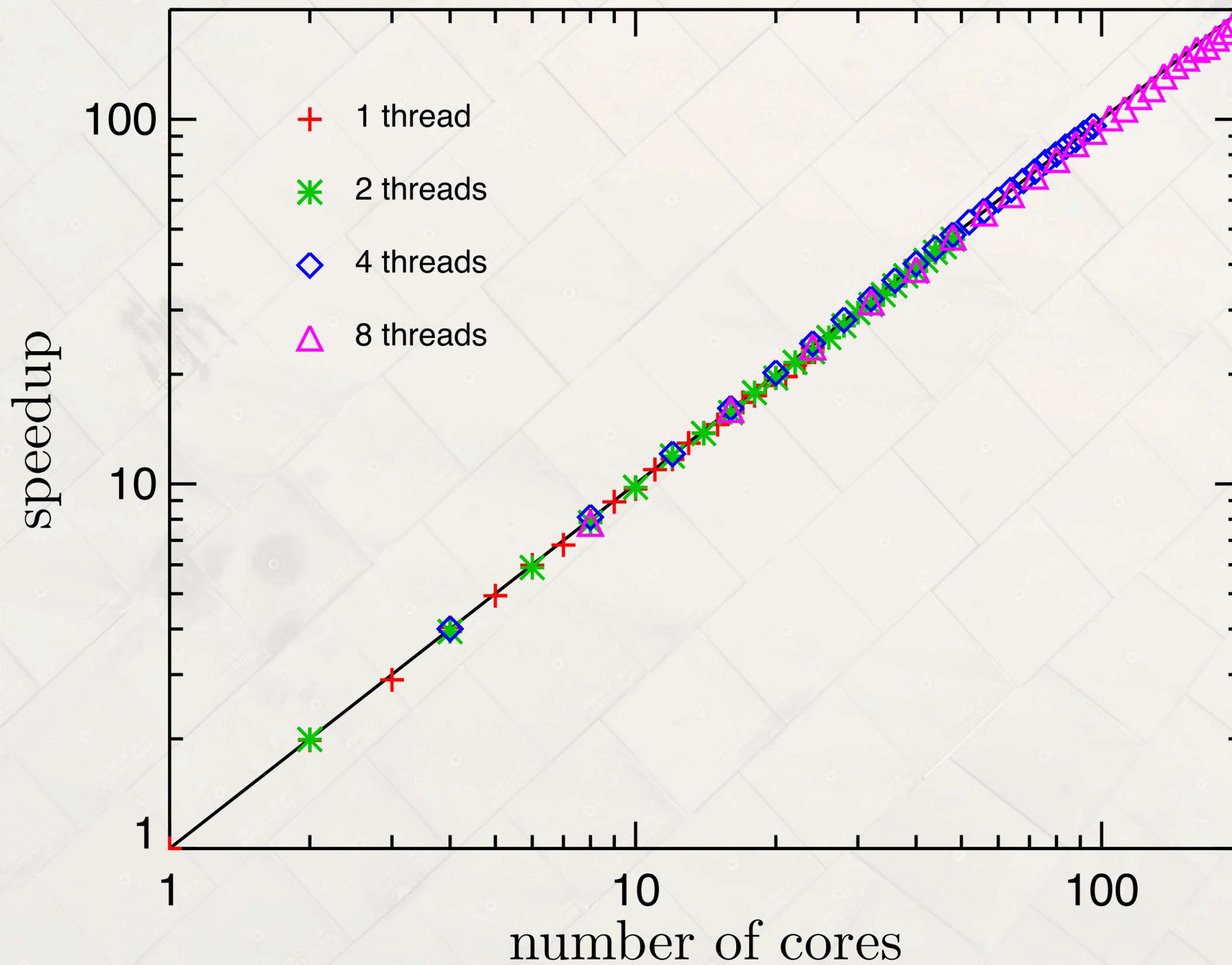
Fast envelope

$$-2 \leq m \leq 2$$



Simple explanation: the modes are mainly trapped
in the envelope

Benchmarking the parallel performance of GYRE



The future of GYRE

- Upcoming improvements
 - implement post-processing (e.g., mode inertias, work functions)
 - combine nonadiabatic & differential rotation functionality
 - add centrifugal force, departures from sphericity
- A full description of the code will appear in a forthcoming paper
- Scheduled for open-source release mid-2013
- Pre-release access on request