

# Moment-Matching Based Model Reduction for Navier–Stokes Type Quadratic-Bilinear Descriptor Systems

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We discuss a Krylov subspace projection method for model reduction of a special class of quadratic-bilinear descriptor systems. The goal is to extend the two-sided moment-matching method for quadratic-bilinear ODEs to descriptor systems in an efficient and reliable way. Recent results have shown that the direct application of interpolation based model reduction techniques to linear descriptor systems, without any modifications, may lead to poor reduced-order systems. Therefore, for the analysis, we transform the quadratic-bilinear descriptor system into an equivalent quadratic-bilinear ODE system for which the moment-matching is performed. In view of implementation, we provide algorithms that identify the required Krylov subspaces without explicitly computing the projectors used in the analysis. The benefits of our approach are illustrated for the quadratic-bilinear descriptor systems corresponding to semi-discretized Navier–Stokes equations.

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## 1 Introduction

We discuss model order reduction for a single-input single-output (SISO) quadratic-bilinear descriptor system of the form

$$E_{11}\dot{v}(t) = A_{11}v(t) + A_{12}p(t) + H_1v(t) \otimes v(t) + N_1v(t)u(t) + b_1u(t), \quad (1a)$$

$$0 = A_{21}v(t) + b_2u(t), \quad v(0) = \alpha, \quad (1b)$$

$$y(t) = c_1v(t) + c_2p(t) + Du(t), \quad (1c)$$

for time  $t > 0$  and an initial value  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1}$ , where  $E_{11}, A_{11}, N_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_1}$ ,  $A_{21}, A_{12}^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times n_1}$ ,  $H_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_1^2}$ ,  $b_1, c_1^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1}$ ,  $b_2, c_2^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2}$ ,  $D \in \mathbb{R}$ ;  $v(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1}$  and  $p(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_2}$  are the state vectors, and  $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $y(t) \in \mathbb{R}$  denote the input and output of the system. It is assumed that  $E_{11}$  is invertible as is  $A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}A_{12}$ . This means that the system in (1) reduces to an index-2 linear system, cf. [19], if  $N_1 = 0$  and  $H_1 = 0$ . The somewhat particular structure of (1) arises in semi-discretization of Navier–Stokes equations and reflects the divergence free constraint and the quadratic nonlinearity in the velocity.

It is an appealing task in the field of numerical analysis to identify efficient numerical methods that can be used to analyze and study engineering problems for complex dynamical processes. These dynamical processes are often described by ordinary differential equations (ODEs) or partial differential equations (PDEs). Spatial discretization of such governing equations leads to large scale systems of ODEs or the more general differential algebraic equations (DAEs). Simulation or design of these large scale systems often is computationally cumbersome, and it is hardly possible to get fast and accurate solutions. A remedy to this problem is model reduction, which can play an important role in improving the simulation time. For linear systems, well-established model reduction techniques have been proposed in the literature [2, 10, 26]. Some of these techniques have already been extended to nonlinear systems; however, there are many open questions that need further research.

Model reduction techniques for nonlinear systems with quadratic-bilinear nonlinearities can be classified broadly into two classes – trajectory-based methods and moment-matching methods. The proper orthogonal decomposition method [3, 12–14, 23] is a well-known trajectory-based method, where a set of snapshots of the state trajectory is used to compute a Galerkin projection of the nonlinear system. Another approach is the so-called trajectory piecewise linear (TPWL)

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method [24], in which the nonlinear state equation is written as a weighted combination of the linear systems, which allows us to employ linear reduction techniques. We refer to [2, 17] for details on these trajectory-based methods, which can identify highly accurate reduced-order systems though depending strongly on the training input. This means that the reduced-order systems obtained from these methods may not be suitable for applications in control or in optimization, where input variation is the main goal.

On the other hand, moment-matching methods tend to approximate the input-output behavior of the system well and therefore, unlike trajectory-based methods, these methods are not bound to a specific input. Extending well-known results for linear ODEs, the moment-matching problem has been considered in [5, 16] for quadratic-bilinear ODEs for one-sided moments. The latest extension was to two-sided moment-matching for SISO quadratic-bilinear ODEs [7].

In this paper, we study a two-sided moment-matching technique for model reduction of Navier–Stokes type quadratic-bilinear descriptor systems (1). This class of quadratic-bilinear descriptor systems is different from the one considered in [15] where the vorticity formulation of the Navier–Stokes equations was used. Here, we propose a structured approach for Navier–Stokes type quadratic-bilinear descriptor systems, since the direct implementation of [5, 7, 16] might lead to an unbounded error in some norm, cf., in particular, [18], where it was shown that the direct extension of moment-matching techniques for linear ODEs to linear DAEs may lead to unbounded  $\mathcal{H}_2$  or  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  error. An extension of the ideas presented in [18] to a special class of bilinear descriptor systems is presented in [1, 8].

The first contribution of this paper is to transform the system in (1) into an equivalent quadratic-bilinear ODE system. This is done by introducing projectors similar to those used in [18, 21] for linear systems. The second contribution is to reduce the equivalent ODE system by constructing basis matrices for Krylov subspaces without explicitly computing the projectors.

The paper is organized as follows: Section 2 contains the background theory on the two-sided moment-matching technique for model reduction of quadratic-bilinear ODEs; Section 3 presents the transformation of the system (1) to an equivalent ODE system, and shows how two-sided moment-matching can be used to obtain a reduced-order system and discusses the implementation issues of the two-sided moment-matching technique for the equivalent system; Section 4 shows how the general case with  $b_2 \neq 0$  can be treated with the same technique; Section 5 provides a detailed analysis of the quality of the reduced systems obtained via direct and the proposed modified methods. Finally, in Section 6, we provide results of numerical tests for semi-discretized Navier–Stokes equations with quadratic-bilinear nonlinearities.

## 2 Quadratic-Bilinear DAEs and Background Work

In this section, we briefly review some properties of general quadratic-bilinear differential algebraic equations (QBDAEs),

$$\Sigma_{QB} : \begin{cases} E\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Hx(t) \otimes x(t) + Nx(t)u(t) + bu(t), \\ y(t) = cx(t), \quad x(0) = 0, \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

with  $E, A, N \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $H \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n^2}$ ,  $b, c^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and where  $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $y(t) \in \mathbb{R}$  are the state, input, and output of the system, respectively. It is assumed that  $E$  is nonsingular. Notice that the system (2) can be seen as a combination of a purely quadratic system and a bilinear control system, and it is shown in [16] that a large class of nonlinear systems can be transformed to this kind of representation, allowing it to be used for many applications.

In frequency domain, the system (2) can be represented by a nonlinear input-output map that involves an infinite set of multivariate functions [25], often called the generalized transfer functions of the subsystems associated with  $\Sigma_{QB}$ . These multivariate transfer functions can be explicitly identified, for example, via the growing exponential approach [7, 25]. In its symmetric form, the first two generalized transfer functions are:

$$G^{(1)}(s_1) = c \underbrace{(s_1 E - A)^{-1} b}_{L(s_1)},$$

$$G^{(2)}(s_1, s_2) = \frac{1}{2} c ((s_1 + s_2) E - A)^{-1} [N (L(s_1) + L(s_2)) + H (L(s_1) \otimes L(s_2) + L(s_2) \otimes L(s_1))].$$

A goal of interpolation based model reduction for  $\Sigma_{QB}$  is to find a reduced quadratic-bilinear DAE of similar form whose leading  $k$  generalized transfer functions interpolate the original one. That is

$$G^{(i)}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_i) = G_r^{(i)}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, k,$$

where the  $\sigma_i$ s are the interpolation points for the generalized transfer function corresponding to  $s_i$ . In the literature, cf., e.g., [7, 16], often  $k$  is set to 2, meaning that the interpolation concept is analyzed for the first two transfer functions. We

will also restrict ourself to this setting. Note that for  $i = 1$ , the problem reduces to the well known interpolation concept for linear systems [2]. Thus, a series expansion of  $G^{(1)}(s_1)$  at an interpolation point  $\sigma$  provide us the so-called moments of  $G^{(1)}$  and if we construct a reduced-order system  $G_r^{(1)}(s_1)$  whose first  $q$  moments coincide with the original system moments, then  $G_r^{(1)}(s_1)$  is locally close to  $G^{(1)}(s_1)$ . The issue is, however, to identify a reduced-order system which in addition also achieves moment-matching for  $G^{(2)}(s_1, s_2)$  so that  $G_r^{(2)}(s_1, s_2)$  also locally approximates  $G^{(2)}(s_1, s_2)$ . To achieve this, a one-sided projection technique has been introduced in [16], which was then extended in [7] to a two-sided projection framework.

Similar to the linear case, the projection scheme involves identifying suitable basis matrices  $\mathcal{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$  and  $\mathcal{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$ , approximating the state vector as  $x(t) \approx \mathcal{V}x_r(t)$  and ensuring the Petrov-Galerkin condition:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W}^T (E\mathcal{V}\dot{x}_r(t) - A\mathcal{V}x_r(t) - H\mathcal{V}x_r(t) \otimes \mathcal{V}x_r(t) - N\mathcal{V}x_r(t)u(t) - bu(t)) &= 0, \\ y_r(t) = c\mathcal{V}x_r(t), \quad x_r(0) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

This means that the reduced-order system matrices are of the form

$$\begin{aligned} E_r &= \mathcal{W}^T E \mathcal{V}, & A_r &= \mathcal{W}^T A \mathcal{V}, & H_r &= \mathcal{W}^T H \mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{V}, \\ N_r &= \mathcal{W}^T N \mathcal{V}, & b_r &= \mathcal{W}^T b, & c_r &= c \mathcal{V}. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Recall that, in case of one-sided projection,  $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{V}$ , and therefore, moment-matching is related only to the choice of  $\mathcal{V}$ . However, in case of two-sided projection, both  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  play an important role for matching more moments of  $G^{(1)}(s_1)$  and  $G^{(2)}(s_1, s_2)$ . Next, we outline a theorem, preceded by some definitions, which suggests a choice of  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  that ensures the required moment-matching criteria.

**Definition 2.1** (Matricization, cf., e.g., [7, 22]) By  $X^{(k)}$ , we denote the matrix that is obtained by unfolding the  $K$ -dimensional tensor  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{I_1 \times I_2 \times \dots \times I_K}$  along the  $k$ -th dimension,  $k \in 1, 2, \dots, K$ . This  $k$ -matricization is formally obtained via the mapping of the tensor indices  $(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_K)$  onto the matrix indices  $(i_k, j)$  via

$$j = 1 + \sum_{l=1, l \neq k}^K (i_l - 1)J_l, \quad \text{where} \quad J_l := \prod_{m=1, m \neq l}^{l-1} I_m.$$

We observe that the matrix  $H \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n^2}$  in (2) can be interpreted as a 1-matricization of a 3-dimensional tensor  $\mathcal{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n \times n}$  and the remaining two matricizations  $H^{(2)}$  and  $H^{(3)}$  are related to  $H$  as follows. Without loss of generality [7], we can assume that  $H(w_1 \otimes w_2) = H(w_2 \otimes w_1)$ , which implies that

$$w_3^T H(w_1 \otimes w_2) = w_1^T H^{(2)}(w_2 \otimes w_3) = w_1^T H^{(3)}(w_2 \otimes w_3), \quad (4)$$

where  $w_1, w_2, w_3 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  are arbitrary vectors and  $H$  is such that it holds  $H^{(2)} = H^{(3)}$ . The above relation is used in Theorem 2.2, which explains the appearance of  $H^{(2)}$  in the provided algorithm. For later reference, we state the main results and the basic algorithm on two-sided moment-matching for general DAEs as developed in [7].

**Theorem 2.2** ([7], Thm. 4.1) *Let  $E, A, H, N, b, c$  be the coefficient matrices of a quadratic-bilinear DAE as in (2). Suppose  $F(s) := (sE - A)^{-1}$  and  $\sigma_i \in \mathbb{C}$  be the interpolation points such that  $F(\tilde{\sigma}_i)$  exists for  $\tilde{\sigma}_i \in \{\sigma_i, 2\sigma_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r$ . Assume that a reduced quadratic-bilinear DAE is constructed by using a Petrov-Galerkin projection, resulting in  $E_r, A_r, H_r, N_r, b_r$  and  $c_r$  as defined in (3). If the basis matrices  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  are constructed as follows:*

$$\text{span}\{\mathcal{V}\} = \bigcup_{i=1, \dots, r} \text{span}\{\mathcal{V}^{(i)}\} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{span}\{\mathcal{W}\} = \bigcup_{i=1, \dots, r} \text{span}\{\mathcal{W}^{(i)}\},$$

where  $\mathcal{V}^{(i)}$  and  $\mathcal{W}^{(i)}$  are

$$\begin{aligned} \text{span}\{\mathcal{V}^{(i)}\} &= \text{span}\{F(\sigma_i)b, F(2\sigma_i)[H(F(\sigma_i)b \otimes F(\sigma_i)b) + NF(\sigma_i)b]\}, \\ \text{span}\{\mathcal{W}^{(i)}\} &= \text{span}\left\{F(2\sigma_i)^T c^T, F(\sigma_i)^T \left[ H^{(2)}(F(\sigma_i)b \otimes F(2\sigma_i)^T c^T) + \frac{1}{2}N^T F(2\sigma_i)^T c^T \right]\right\}, \end{aligned}$$

then the following moments are matched:

$$\begin{aligned} G^{(1)}(\sigma_i) &= G_r^{(1)}(\sigma_i), & G^{(1)}(2\sigma_i) &= G_r^{(1)}(2\sigma_i), \\ G^{(2)}(\sigma_i, \sigma_i) &= G_r^{(2)}(\sigma_i, \sigma_i), & \frac{\partial}{\partial s_j} G^{(2)}(\sigma_i, \sigma_i) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial s_j} G_r^{(2)}(\sigma_i, \sigma_i), \quad j = 1, 2, \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, r$ .

This theoretical result gives rise to the following algorithm:

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**Algorithm 1** Model Reduction for general quadratic-bilinear DAEs
 

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- 1: Input:  $E, A, H, N, b, c, \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r$ .
- 2: Construct the projection matrices  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  using Theorem 2.2.
- 3: Determine the reduced-order system as:

$$E_r = \mathcal{W}^T E \mathcal{V}, \quad A_r = \mathcal{W}^T A \mathcal{V}, \quad H_r = \mathcal{W}^T H \mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{V}, \quad N_r = \mathcal{W}^T N \mathcal{V}, \quad b_r = \mathcal{W}^T b, \quad c_r = c \mathcal{V}.$$


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Note that, in general,  $\mathcal{V}$  is a dense matrix and the computation of  $\mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{V}$  can be numerically infeasible. However, one can rely on concepts used in tensor theory to compute  $\mathcal{W}^T H (\mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{V})$  efficiently [7].

**Remarks 2.3** Theorem 2.2 does not differentiate between  $E$  singular and  $E$  nonsingular. As long as the inverse  $(sE - A)^{-1}$  evaluated at  $s = \sigma_i$  and  $s = 2\sigma_i$  exists, the reduced quadratic-bilinear system will satisfy (5). However, if  $E$  is singular, the application of Theorem 2.2 may lead to a reduced-order system with an unbounded approximation error, i.e.,  $\|G^{(1)} - G_r^{(1)}\|_{\mathcal{H}_2} = \infty$  or  $\|G^{(2)} - G_r^{(2)}\|_{\mathcal{H}_2} = \infty$ , cf. the discussion of model reduction for linear descriptor systems in [18]. Turning the arguments around, in the ODE case, i.e., if  $E$  is not singular, we can expect a good performance of Algorithm 1.

### 3 Model Reduction of Navier–Stokes Type Quadratic-Bilinear DAEs

In view of the issues raised in Remark 2.3, in this section, we discuss the transformation of the Navier–Stokes type quadratic-bilinear DAE (1) to an equivalent ODE system. In addition, we address some computational aspects related to the intended model reduction procedure.

#### 3.1 Transformation of the Navier–Stokes type quadratic-bilinear DAEs

We consider the Navier–Stokes type quadratic-bilinear DAE (1), which can be transformed into an equivalent quadratic-bilinear ODE system. We consider the system equations (1) with  $b_2 = 0$  and  $\alpha = 0$ :

$$E_{11} \dot{v}(t) = A_{11}v(t) + A_{12}p(t) + H_1v(t) \otimes v(t) + N_1v(t)u(t) + b_1u(t), \quad (6a)$$

$$0 = A_{21}v(t), \quad v(0) = 0, \quad (6b)$$

$$y(t) = c_1v(t) + c_2p(t) + Du(t). \quad (6c)$$

For the analysis, we consider a decoupling, cf. [20, Thm. 8.6], of (6) into an algebraic and a differential part as

$$p(t) = -(A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}A_{12})^{-1}A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}(A_{11}v(t) + H_1v(t) \otimes v(t) + N_1v(t)u(t) + b_1u(t)) \quad (7)$$

and

$$E_{11} \dot{v}(t) = \Pi A_{11}v(t) + \Pi H_1v(t) \otimes v(t) + \Pi N_1v(t)u(t) + \Pi b_1u(t), \quad v(0) = 0, \quad (8)$$

$$y(t) = \mathcal{C}v(t) + \mathcal{C}_Hv(t) \otimes v(t) + \mathcal{C}_Nv(t)u(t) + \mathcal{D}u(t),$$

where

$$\mathcal{C} = c_1 - c_2(A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}A_{12})^{-1}A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}A_{11}, \quad \mathcal{C}_H = -c_2(A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}A_{12})^{-1}A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}H_1, \quad (9a)$$

$$\mathcal{C}_N = -c_2(A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}A_{12})^{-1}A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}N_1, \quad \mathcal{D} = D - c_2(A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}A_{12})^{-1}A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}b_1, \quad (9b)$$

and

$$\Pi = I - A_{12}(A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}A_{12})^{-1}A_{21}E_{11}^{-1}. \quad (10)$$

In what follows, we assume that  $A_{21} = A_{12}^T$ . The arguments for the unsymmetric case are presented in [18] and can be readily applied in the current nonlinear setting as well.

Note that  $\Pi$  is the discrete *Helmholtz* projector that is commonly used [18,20,21] to transform Navier–Stokes type DAEs into ODEs and that has the following properties:

$$\Pi^2 = \Pi, \quad E_{11}\Pi = \Pi^T E_{11}, \quad \ker(\Pi) = \text{range}(A_{12}), \quad \text{and} \quad \text{range}(\Pi) = \ker(A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1}).$$

Using these properties of  $\Pi$ , one can derive that

$$A_{12}^T z = 0 \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \Pi^T z = z. \quad (11)$$

By construction, a solution  $v(t)$  of (8) fulfills  $A_{12}^T v(t) = 0$ , so that in (8), we can replace  $v(t)$  by  $\Pi^T v(t)$ , and using  $\Pi = \Pi^2$  and  $E_{11}\Pi = \Pi^T E_{11}$ , we obtain the following equivalent system:

$$\Pi E_{11} \Pi^T \dot{v}(t) = \Pi A_{11} \Pi^T v(t) + \Pi H_1 (\Pi^T v(t) \otimes \Pi^T v(t)) + \Pi N_1 \Pi^T v(t) u(t) + \Pi b_1 u(t), \quad (12a)$$

$$y(t) = \mathcal{C} \Pi^T v(t) + \mathcal{C}_H (\Pi^T v(t) \otimes \Pi^T v(t)) + \mathcal{C}_N \Pi^T v(t) u(t) + \mathcal{D} u(t), \quad (12b)$$

with  $v(0) = 0$ . The above dynamical system (12) lies in the  $n_1 - n_2$  dimensional null space of  $\Pi$ . Therefore, as in [21], we can decompose the projector  $\Pi$  as

$$\Pi = \phi_1 \phi_2^T, \quad (13)$$

with  $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_1 - n_2}$ , satisfying

$$\phi_1^T \phi_2 = I.$$

This decomposition allows us to write (12) in the following form:

$$\phi_2^T E_{11} \phi_2 \dot{\tilde{v}}(t) = \phi_2^T A_{11} \phi_2 \tilde{v}(t) + \phi_2^T H_1 (\phi_2 \tilde{v}(t) \otimes \phi_2 \tilde{v}(t)) + \phi_2^T N_1 \phi_2 \tilde{v}(t) u(t) + \phi_2^T b_1 u(t), \quad (14a)$$

$$y(t) = \mathcal{C} \phi_2 \tilde{v}(t) + \mathcal{C}_H (\phi_2 \tilde{v}(t) \otimes \phi_2 \tilde{v}(t)) + \mathcal{C}_N \phi_2 \tilde{v}(t) u(t) + \mathcal{D} u(t), \quad (14b)$$

with  $\tilde{v}(t) = \phi_1^T v(t)$  and  $\tilde{v}(0) = 0$ . Thus, model reduction of the original quadratic-bilinear DAE is equivalent to the reduction of (12) and (14). However, the equivalent system in (14) has the advantage that the matrix  $\phi_2^T E_{11} \phi_2$  is nonsingular ( $\phi_2$  has full column rank). Therefore, the standard Krylov subspace technique for model reduction of a quadratic-bilinear system, discussed in Section 2, can be employed to the system (14) in order to obtain a reduced-order system.

Note that the output equation of the system (14) involves nonlinear terms in the state and input. It is still an open problem to consider the nonlinear terms in the output equations in order to compute the projection matrices, and it needs further research in this direction. In this paper, we restrict ourselves to the linear relation between the state and the output by neglecting the nonlinear terms in the output as far as the computation of the projection matrices  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  are concerned. Having neglected these terms in (14), we consider the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_2^T E_{11} \phi_2 \dot{\tilde{v}}(t) &= \phi_2^T A_{11} \phi_2 \tilde{v}(t) + \phi_2^T H_1 (\phi_2 \tilde{v}(t) \otimes \phi_2 \tilde{v}(t)) + \phi_2^T N_1 \phi_2 \tilde{v}(t) u(t) + \phi_2^T b_1 u(t), \\ \tilde{y}(t) &= \mathcal{C} \phi_2 \tilde{v}(t), \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

for the definition of the projection matrices by applying Theorem 2.2 in order to identify the reduced quadratic-bilinear system.

**Remarks 3.1** Algorithm 1 may safely be applied (cf. Remark 2.3) to the system (8), which is an equivalent quadratic-bilinear ODE system, too. To avoid the projector  $\Pi$  and to stay in line with [18, 21], we rather consider the *condensed* projected formulation (15).

The following subsection shows how the computation of  $\phi_2$  or  $\Pi$  can be avoided in an implementation.

### 3.2 Computational Issues

We will use the ODE system (15) to compute the projection matrices  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$ , which we will apply to reduce the original coefficients  $E_{11}$ ,  $A_{11}$ ,  $H_1$ ,  $N_1$ ,  $b_1$ ,  $\mathcal{C}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_H$ , and  $\mathcal{C}_N$  to give

$$\begin{aligned} E_r &= \mathcal{W}^T E_{11} \mathcal{V}, & A_r &= \mathcal{W}^T A_{11} \mathcal{V}, & H_{1r} &= \mathcal{W}^T H_1 \mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{V}, & N_{1r} &= \mathcal{W}^T N_1 \mathcal{V}, \\ b_r &= \mathcal{W}^T b_1, & \mathcal{C}_r &= \mathcal{C} \mathcal{V}, & \mathcal{C}_{Hr} &= \mathcal{C}_H \mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{V}, & \mathcal{C}_{Nr} &= \mathcal{C}_N \mathcal{V}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the reduced system will be independent of  $\phi_2$ . However, the definition of  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  will involve  $\phi_2$ , as defined in (13), which might not be easily accessible.

**Corollary 3.2** Let  $\mathcal{F}(s)$  be defined as

$$\mathcal{F}(s) := \phi_2 (s\phi_2^T E_{11}\phi_2 - \phi_2^T A_{11}\phi_2)^{-1} \phi_2^T.$$

Also, let  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  be such that

$$\text{span}\{\mathcal{V}\} = \bigcup_{i=1,\dots,r} \text{span}\{\mathcal{V}^{(i)}\} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{span}\{\mathcal{W}\} = \bigcup_{i=1,\dots,r} \text{span}\{\mathcal{W}^{(i)}\}, \quad (16)$$

in which for  $i = 1 : r$

$$\text{span}\{\mathcal{V}^{(i)}\} = \text{span}\{\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1, \mathcal{F}(2\sigma_i)[H_1(\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1 \otimes \mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1) + N_1\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1]\}, \quad (17)$$

$$\text{span}\{\mathcal{W}^{(i)}\} = \text{span}\left\{\mathcal{F}(2\sigma_i)^T \mathcal{C}^T, \mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)^T \left[ H_1^{(2)}(\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1 \otimes \mathcal{F}(2\sigma_i)^T \mathcal{C}^T) + \frac{1}{2}N_1^T \mathcal{F}(2\sigma_i)^T \mathcal{C}^T \right]\right\}. \quad (18)$$

Then, the following moments are matched:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}^{(1)}(\sigma_i) &= \mathcal{G}_r^{(1)}(\sigma_i), & \mathcal{G}^{(1)}(2\sigma_i) &= \mathcal{G}_r^{(1)}(2\sigma_i), \\ \mathcal{G}^{(2)}(\sigma_i, \sigma_i) &= \mathcal{G}_r^{(2)}(\sigma_i, \sigma_i), & \frac{\partial}{\partial s_j} \mathcal{G}^{(2)}(\sigma_i, \sigma_i) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial s_j} \mathcal{G}_r^{(2)}(\sigma_i, \sigma_i), \quad j = 1, 2, \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, r$ .

Here,  $\mathcal{G}^{(1)}(s_1)$  and  $\mathcal{G}^{(2)}(s_1, s_2)$  are the first two generalized transfer functions of the equivalent system (15). Similarly,  $\mathcal{G}_r^{(1)}(s_1)$  and  $\mathcal{G}_r^{(2)}(s_1, s_2)$  are the first two generalized transfer functions of the reduced-order system.

**Proof.** We first define the state matrices in (15) as:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{E}_{11} &= \phi_2^T E_{11}\phi_2, & \bar{A}_{11} &= \phi_2^T A_{11}\phi_2, & \bar{H}_1 &= \phi_2^T H_1(\phi_2 \otimes \phi_2) \\ \bar{N}_1 &= \phi_2^T N_1\phi_2, & \bar{b}_1 &= \phi_2^T b_1, & \bar{\mathcal{C}} &= \mathcal{C}\phi_2 \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

For these matrices, if the projection matrices  $\bar{V}$  and  $\bar{W}$  are computed according to Theorem 2.2, then we can relate them to  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  as

$$\mathcal{V} = \phi_2 \bar{V}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{W} = \phi_2 \bar{W}, \quad (21)$$

respectively. Together with the results required for the proof of Theorem 2.2, we can easily prove (19) by using the above relations. In the following, we only prove the first equation in (19) and the remaining equations follow analogously. Since

$$\bar{V}(\sigma_i \bar{W}^T \bar{E}_{11} \bar{V} - \bar{W}^T \bar{A}_{11} \bar{V})^{-1} \bar{W}^T \bar{b}_1 = (\sigma_i \bar{E}_{11} - \bar{A}_{11})^{-1} \bar{b}_1, \quad (22)$$

we use (20) and (21) to obtain

$$\bar{V}(\sigma_i \mathcal{W}^T E_{11} \mathcal{V} - \mathcal{W}^T A_{11} \mathcal{V})^{-1} \mathcal{W}^T b_1 = (\sigma_i \phi_2^T E_{11} \phi_2 - \phi_2^T A_{11} \phi_2)^{-1} \phi_2^T b_1, \quad (23)$$

Pre-multiplying  $\mathcal{C}\phi_2$  on both sides of the above equation, one finds that  $\mathcal{G}^{(1)}(\sigma_i) = \mathcal{G}_r^{(1)}(\sigma_i)$  holds. Similarly, we can prove the other three equalities in (19).  $\square$

The procedure of Corollary 3.2 and that of Theorem 2.2 if applied to the transformed QB system (15) will result in just the same reduced QB system. However, through Corollary 3.2 the reduced-order system is obtained via projecting the original system matrices rather than projecting the matrices of the transformed system (15). We will make use of this in the remaining part of the paper when arguing that the transformation involving, e.g.,  $\phi_2$ , can be realized implicitly.

Furthermore, Corollary 3.2 is based on a moment-matching framework that matches the generalized transfer functions and their first partial derivatives. However, it is also possible to use an interpolation scheme, as suggested in [6], that also matches higher derivatives of the first two generalized transfer functions. The following corollary shows the results for (15) with higher moments matched.

**Corollary 3.3** Let  $\mathcal{F}(s)$  be as defined in Corollary 3.2 and let  $\underline{\mathcal{V}}$  and  $\underline{\mathcal{W}}$  be such that

$$\text{span}\{\underline{\mathcal{V}}\} = \bigcup_{i=1,\dots,r} \text{span}\{\underline{\mathcal{V}}_1^{(i)}, \dots, \underline{\mathcal{V}}_q^{(i)}\}, \quad \text{span}\{\underline{\mathcal{W}}\} = \bigcup_{i=1,\dots,r} \text{span}\{\underline{\mathcal{W}}_1^{(i)}, \dots, \underline{\mathcal{W}}_q^{(i)}\},$$

in which  $\underline{\mathcal{V}}_1^{(i)}$  and  $\underline{\mathcal{W}}_1^{(i)}$  are the same as  $\mathcal{V}^{(i)}$  and  $\mathcal{W}^{(i)}$  in Corollary 3.2 and  $\underline{\mathcal{V}}_2^{(i)}, \dots, \underline{\mathcal{V}}_q^{(i)}$  are of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \text{span}\{\underline{\mathcal{V}}_2^{(i)}\} &= \text{span}\left\{\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)E_{11}\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1, \mathcal{F}(2\sigma_i)E_{11}\mathcal{F}(2\sigma_i)[H_1(\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1 \otimes \mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1) + N_1\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1]\right\}, \\ \text{span}\{\underline{\mathcal{V}}_q^{(i)}\} &= \text{span}\left\{(\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)E_{11})^{q-1}\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1, (\mathcal{F}(2\sigma_i)E_{11})^{q-1}\mathcal{F}(2\sigma_i)[H_1(\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1 \otimes \mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1) + N_1\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1]\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can define  $\underline{\mathcal{W}}_2^{(i)}, \dots, \underline{\mathcal{W}}_q^{(i)}$ . With these projection matrices, the reduced system not only ensures (19), but also the matching of higher moments, i.e., the following equations also hold:

$$\frac{\partial^p}{\partial s_1^p} \mathcal{G}^{(1)}(\sigma_i) = \frac{\partial^p}{\partial s_1^p} \mathcal{G}_r^{(1)}(\sigma_i), \quad \frac{\partial^p}{\partial s_1^p} \mathcal{G}^{(1)}(2\sigma_i) = \frac{\partial^p}{\partial s_1^p} \mathcal{G}_r^{(1)}(2\sigma_i), \quad \frac{\partial^{i+j}}{\partial s_1^i \partial s_2^j} \mathcal{G}^{(2)}(\sigma_i, \sigma_i) = \frac{\partial^{i+j}}{\partial s_1^i \partial s_2^j} \mathcal{G}_r^{(2)}(\sigma_i, \sigma_i)$$

for  $p = 1, \dots, q-1$  and  $i+j < 2q-1$ .

Note that the projection matrices  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{W}$  in Corollary 3.2 (and also  $\underline{\mathcal{V}}$  and  $\underline{\mathcal{W}}$  in Corollary 3.3) are projections for the original subsystems  $G^{(1)}(s_1) = \mathcal{C}(sE_{11} - A_{11})^{-1}b_1$  and  $G^{(2)}(s_1, s_2)$ , that are independent of  $\phi_2$ . Now, as a second step, we need to show that the matrices  $\mathcal{V}^{(i)}$  and  $\mathcal{W}^{(i)}$  can also be constructed such that they do not require the computation of  $\phi_2$ .

We start with the subspace associated with  $\mathcal{V}^{(i)}$ . As shown in (17), the column vectors of  $\mathcal{V}^{(i)}$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, r$  can be written as

$$\mathcal{V}^{(i)} = \{\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1, \mathcal{F}(2\sigma_i)[H_1(\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1 \otimes \mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1) + N_1\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1]\}. \quad (24)$$

The first column of  $\mathcal{V}^{(i)}$ , which is  $\mathcal{F}(\sigma_i)b_1$ , can be identified by solving a linear system that does not resort to  $\phi_2$  [18, 21].

**Lemma 3.4** ([18], Lem. 6.3) Let  $\phi_2(\tilde{\sigma}\phi_2^T E_{11}\phi_2 - \phi_2^T A_{11}\phi_2)^{-1}\phi_2^T$  exist for  $\tilde{\sigma} = \sigma$  or  $\tilde{\sigma} = 2\sigma$ . Then,  $v = \mathcal{F}(\tilde{\sigma})f$  solves

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\sigma}E_{11} - A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{12}^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (25)$$

and  $w = \mathcal{F}(\tilde{\sigma})^T g$  solves

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\sigma}E_{11}^T - A_{11}^T & A_{12} \\ A_{12}^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w \\ q \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (26)$$

where  $f$  and  $g$  are arbitrary vectors or matrices of appropriate sizes.

This means that for  $\tilde{E} := \begin{bmatrix} E_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\tilde{A} := \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , the relation (25) implies that the first column of  $\mathcal{V}^{(i)}$  can be given by  $[I_{n_1} \ 0] (\sigma\tilde{E} - \tilde{A})^{-1}\tilde{b}$ , where  $I_{n_1}$  is the identity matrix of size  $n_1 \times n_1$  and  $\tilde{b}^T = [b^T \ 0]$ .

Lemma 3.4 can also be used to construct the second column of  $\mathcal{V}^{(i)}$  as well via setting  $f = H_1(\mathcal{V}_1^i(:, 1) \otimes \mathcal{V}^i(:, 1)) + N_1\mathcal{V}^{(i)}(:, 1)$ , where  $\mathcal{V}^i(:, 1)$  is the first column of  $\mathcal{V}^{(i)}$ . Thus, we can identify  $\mathcal{V}$  without explicitly computing  $\phi_2$ . Similarly,  $\mathcal{W}$  can also be identified from such settings. The framework can also be extended to  $\underline{\mathcal{V}}$  and  $\underline{\mathcal{W}}$ , such that they are also independent of  $\phi_2$ . Algorithm 2 summarizes all the steps for the reduction of the system in (15).

## 4 The General Case $b_2 \neq 0$

In the preceding section, we have derived the equivalent representations of the descriptor system (1) under the assumption that  $b_2 = 0$ . Now, we consider the general case with  $b_2 \neq 0$  and show how this can be brought back to the  $b_2 = 0$  case. The approach is similar to the approach for linear DAEs with  $b_2 \neq 0$  taken in [18, 21]. In the nonlinear setting, some extra terms need to be considered. Analogously to the linear case, we decompose  $v(t)$  as

$$v(t) = v_0(t) + v_g(t),$$

**Algorithm 2** Model Reduction for Navier–Stokes type quadratic-bilinear DAEs

- 1: **Input:**  $E_{11}, A_{11}, H_1, N_1, b_1, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C}_H, \mathcal{C}_N, \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r$ .
- 2: **Output:**  $E_r, A_r, H_{1r}, N_{1r}, b_r, \mathcal{C}_r, \mathcal{C}_{Hr}, \mathcal{C}_{Nr}$ .
- 3: Construct  $\mathcal{V}^{(i)}$  and  $\mathcal{W}^{(i)}$ 

$$\text{span}\{\mathcal{V}^{(i)}\} = \text{span}\left\{I_0 \tilde{F}(\sigma_i) \tilde{b}, I_0 \tilde{F}(2\sigma_i) \mathcal{P}\right\},$$
where  $\tilde{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathcal{P} = \begin{bmatrix} H_1(\mathcal{V}^{(i)}(:,1) \otimes \mathcal{V}^{(i)}(:,1)) + N_1 \mathcal{V}^{(i)}(:,1) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\tilde{F}(s) = (s\tilde{E} - \tilde{A})^{-1}$  and  $I_0 = [I_{n_1}, 0]$ .
$$\text{span}\{\mathcal{W}^{(i)}\} = \text{span}\left\{I_0 \tilde{F}(2\sigma_i)^T \tilde{\mathcal{C}}^T, I_0 \tilde{F}(\sigma_i)^T \mathcal{Q}\right\},$$
where  $\tilde{\mathcal{C}}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{C}^T \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathcal{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} H_1^{(2)}(\mathcal{V}^{(i)}(:,1) \otimes \mathcal{W}^{(i)}(:,1)) + (1/2)N_1^T \mathcal{W}^{(i)}(:,1) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- 4:  $\text{span}\{\mathcal{V}\} = \bigcup_{i=1, \dots, r} \text{span}\{\mathcal{V}^{(i)}\}$ , and  $\text{span}\{\mathcal{W}\} = \bigcup_{i=1, \dots, r} \text{span}\{\mathcal{W}^{(i)}\}$ .
- 5: Construct the reduced-order system:
$$\begin{aligned} E_r &= \mathcal{W}^T E_{11} \mathcal{V}, & A_r &= \mathcal{W}^T A_{11} \mathcal{V}, & H_{1r} &= \mathcal{W}^T H_1 \mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{V}, & N_{1r} &= \mathcal{W}^T N_1 \mathcal{V}, \\ b_r &= \mathcal{W}^T b_1, & \mathcal{C}_r &= \mathcal{C} \mathcal{V}, & \mathcal{C}_{Hr} &= \mathcal{C}_H \mathcal{V} \otimes \mathcal{V}, & \mathcal{C}_{Nr} &= \mathcal{C}_N \mathcal{V}. \end{aligned}$$

with

$$v_g(t) = - \underbrace{E_{11}^{-1} A_{12} (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} b_2}_{\Upsilon} u(t) \quad (27)$$

so that  $v_0(t)$  satisfies  $0 = A_{12}^T v_0(t)$ . In the state equations (1), we substitute  $v(t)$  by its decomposition, which leads to the following system:

$$\begin{aligned} E_{11} \dot{v}_0(t) &= A_{11} v_0(t) + A_{12} p(t) + H_1 v_0(t) \otimes v_0(t) + \mathcal{N}_1 v_0(t) u(t) + \mathcal{B}_1 u(t) + \mathcal{B}_u u^2(t) \\ &\quad + A_{12} (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} b_2 \dot{u}(t), \end{aligned} \quad (28a)$$

$$v_0(0) = \alpha - v_g(0), \quad (28b)$$

$$0 = A_{12}^T v_0(t), \quad (28c)$$

$$y(t) = c_1 v_0(t) + c_2 p(t) + (D - c_1 E_{11}^{-1} A_{12} (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} b_2) u(t), \quad (28d)$$

where

$$\mathcal{N}_1 = N_1 - H_1(\Upsilon \otimes I + I \otimes \Upsilon), \quad \mathcal{B}_1 = b_1 - A_{11} \Upsilon, \quad \mathcal{B}_u = H_1(\Upsilon \otimes \Upsilon) - N_1 \Upsilon.$$

Using (28c) and (28a), we can explicitly compute  $p(t)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} p(t) &= -(A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} \left( A_{11} v(t) + H_1 v_0(t) \otimes v_0(t) + \mathcal{N}_1 v_0(t) u(t) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \mathcal{B}_1 u(t) + \mathcal{B}_u u^2(t) + A_{12} (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} b_2 \dot{u}(t) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

**Remarks 4.1** With  $p$  given by (29), the system (28) is of the form (6), but with terms containing  $u(t)$ ,  $u^2(t)$  and  $\dot{u}(t)$ . Although these terms are functions of  $u(t)$  in a forward simulation, we can consider them as three different inputs. Accordingly, we can use the transformation steps discussed in Section 3 to obtain an associated ODE system in  $v_0(t)$ .

In fact, substituting  $p(t)$  into (28a) and using  $A_{12}^T v_0(t) = 0$  implies  $\Pi^T v_0(t) = v_0(t)$ , and premultiplying the resulting system by  $\Pi$ , we arrive at an ODE for  $v_0$ :

$$\Pi E_{11} \dot{v}_0(t) = \Pi A_{11} v(t) + \Pi H_1 (v_0(t) \otimes v_0(t)) + \Pi \mathcal{N}_1 v_0(t) u(t) + \Pi \mathcal{B} \tilde{u}(t), \quad (30a)$$

$$v_0(0) = \Pi^T (\alpha - v_g(0)), \quad (30b)$$

$$y(t) = \mathcal{C} \Pi^T v_0(t) + \mathcal{C}_H (\Pi \otimes \Pi)^T (v_0(t) \otimes v_0(t)) + \mathcal{C}_N \Pi^T v_0(t) + \mathcal{D} \tilde{u}(t) - c_2 (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^T b_2 \dot{u}(t), \quad (30c)$$

where  $\mathcal{B} = [\mathcal{B}_1, \mathcal{B}_u]$  with the new input  $\tilde{u}(t) := [u(t), u^2(t)]^T$ , and where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C} &= c_1 - c_2 (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{11}, \\ \mathcal{C}_H &= -c_2 (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} H_1, \\ \mathcal{C}_N &= -c_2 (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} N_1 \end{aligned}$$



and  $\mathcal{D} = [\mathcal{D}_1, \mathcal{D}_2]$  with

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{D}_1 &= D - c_1 E_{11}^{-1} A_{12} A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} b_2 - c_2 (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} \mathcal{B}_1, \quad \text{and} \\ \mathcal{D}_2 &= c_2 (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} \mathcal{B}_u.\end{aligned}$$

Note that, because of  $\Pi A_{12} (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} b_2 = 0$ , the term associated with  $\dot{u}(t)$  in (28a) vanishes.

In Section 3, we have referred to *equivalent systems* as systems that have the same solution set. In the current setting, where  $v(0) \neq 0$  and  $b_2 \neq 0$ , this equivalence is bound to the *consistency* of the initial value. Bluntly put, if the initial value is consistent, then the decoupled and the original system have the same solution set. If the initial value is not consistent, then the decoupled system can have a solution although the original system is not solvable, cf. the following Theorem 4.2.

**Theorem 4.2** *Consider the state equations (2) and a given input function  $u \in \mathcal{C}([0, T])$ . A solution*

$$(v, p) \in \mathcal{C}^1((0, T]; \mathbb{R}^{n_1}) \times \mathcal{C}([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^{n_2})$$

can only exist if the initial value  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1}$  fulfills

$$\alpha = \alpha_0 + E_{11}^{-1} A_{12} (A_{12}^T E_{11}^{-1} A_{12})^{-1} b_2 u(0) \quad (31)$$

for an  $\alpha_0 \in \ker A_{12}^T$ . If this is the case, then  $(v, p)$  is defined through  $v = v_0 + v_g$  and  $p$ , where  $v_0$ ,  $v_g$ , and  $p$  solve the decoupled system (30a-c), (27), and (29).

**Proof.** The claim is a direct consequence of [20, Thm. 8.6] considering also [20, Rem. 8.7].  $\square$

**Remarks 4.3** In general, the consistency condition (31) can never hold for all inputs  $u \in \mathcal{C}([0, T])$ , which is not seen by the ODE (30a) for  $v_0$ . In our numerical experiments, for the time being, we will ensure consistency and, thus, equivalence of the reformulation, by fixing the initial value of the inputs and adjusting the initial value  $v(0)$  accordingly.

Considering the issues raised in Remark 4.1 and Remark 4.3, we can employ the system (30) to determine a reduced-order system. With  $u(t)$  and  $u^2(t)$  being considered as two different inputs, the equivalent system (30) is a multi-input system and the algorithms for the SISO case of Section 3 do not readily apply. In our numerical examples, for the case with  $b_2 \neq 0$ , we will consider constant inputs for which the SISO case approach still works.

**Remarks 4.4** The extension to a MIMO setup is not straightforward, since the relation (4) holds only for vectors  $w_1$ ,  $w_2$ , and  $w_3$ . One idea to circumvent this, may be to use a one-sided projection approach. The investigation of two-sided moment-matching for multi-input multi-output (MIMO) Navier-Stokes type quadratic-bilinear systems is ongoing research.

## 5 Analysis of the Direct and the Index-2 Approach

In this section, we provide a detailed analysis of the first generalized transfer function of the Navier–Stokes-type QBDAE and its approximation via the direct approach through Algorithm 1 and the index-2 specific approach as in Algorithm 2.

In the first generalized transfer function, the nonlinearities do not appear so that we can consider the associated linear system

$$\begin{bmatrix} E_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{v} \\ p \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{21} \\ A_{21}^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v \\ p \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} u, \quad y = [c_1 \quad c_2] \begin{bmatrix} v \\ p \end{bmatrix} + Du. \quad (32)$$

By means of a QR decomposition  $A_{21}^T E_{11}^{-1/2} = [R \quad 0] Q$  and a suitable scaling of the equations and variables, we find that the transfer function of the  $(E, A, b, c, D)$  system (32) coincides with the transfer function of a system  $(\tilde{E}, \tilde{A}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c}, D)$  of the form

$$\tilde{E} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{A} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{\perp} & A_{0\perp} & R^T \\ A_{\perp 0} & A_0 & 0 \\ R & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{\perp} \\ b_0 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{c} = [c_{\perp} \quad c_0 \quad c_2], \quad \text{and} \quad D = D, \quad (33)$$

where, in particular,

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_{\perp} \\ b_0 \end{bmatrix} = Q M^{-1/2} b_1, \quad \text{and} \quad [c_{\perp} \quad c_0] = c_1 M^{-1/2} Q^T.$$

**Remark 5.1** By construction, it holds that

$$b_{\perp} = 0, \text{ if and only if } \Pi b_1 = \Pi \quad \text{and} \quad b_0 = 0, \text{ if and only if } \Pi b_1 = 0$$

as well as

$$c_{\perp} = 0, \text{ if and only if } c_1 \Pi^T = c_1 \quad \text{and} \quad c_0 = 0, \text{ if and only if } c_1 \Pi^T = 0.$$

This means that  $b_0$  and  $c_0$  correspond to control and observation of the purely dynamical parts of the system, namely the parts of the velocity and the equations associated with the kernel of  $A_{12}^T$ . Accordingly,  $b_{\perp}$  and  $c_{\perp}$  correspond to the algebraic parts of the velocity and the equations. The roles of  $c_2$  – observation of the pressure – and  $b_2$  – control in the algebraic constraints – are unchanged.

For the realization (33), we can explicitly compute

$$\tilde{F}(s) = (s\tilde{E} - \tilde{A})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & R^{-1} \\ 0 & (sI - A_0)^{-1} & (sI - A_0)^{-1} A_{\perp 0} R^{-1} \\ -R^{-T} & -R^{-T} A_{0\perp} (sI - A_0)^{-1} & -R^{-T} (A_{0\perp} (sI - A_0)^{-1} A_{\perp 0} - (sI - A_{\perp})) R^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

as needed in Algorithm 1. Also, in these coordinates, we have that the coefficients of the equivalent system, cf. (9), are given as

$$\tilde{C} = [c_{\perp} \quad c_0] - c_2 R^{-T} [A_{\perp} \quad A_{0\perp}] \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{D} = D - c_2 R^{-T} b_{\perp}. \quad (34)$$

Furthermore, with  $\tilde{\Pi} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\tilde{\phi}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ I \end{bmatrix}$ , we have that

$$\tilde{F}(s) = \tilde{\phi}_2 (s\tilde{\phi}_2^T \tilde{E}_{11} \tilde{\phi}_2 - \tilde{\phi}_2^T A_{11} \tilde{\phi}_2)^{-1} \tilde{\phi}_2^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & (sI - A_0)^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

as needed in Algorithm 2.

For a given interpolation point  $\sigma$ , we compute the first order approximation by means of the direct approach, that reduces (33) by a standard two-sided projection with  $\tilde{V} = \tilde{F}(\sigma)\tilde{b}$  and  $\tilde{W} = \tilde{F}(2\sigma)^T \tilde{c}^T$ . We compare the obtained reduced system to the reduction of the equivalent system by the projection matrices  $\tilde{\mathcal{V}} = \tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\sigma)\tilde{b}$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{W}} = \tilde{\mathcal{F}}^T(2\sigma)\tilde{c}^T$ . We consider some special cases of control and observation.

In the case that the control acts in the dynamical part and that only the dynamical part is observed, i.e.,  $\tilde{b} = [0 \quad b_0^T \quad 0]^T$  and  $\tilde{c} = [0 \quad c_0 \quad 0]$ , both approaches lead to exactly the same reduced purely dynamical system.

In the case that the control acts in the algebraic part and that only the algebraic part is observed, i.e.,  $\tilde{b} = [b_{\perp}^T \quad 0 \quad 0]^T$  and  $\tilde{c} = [c_{\perp} \quad 0 \quad 0]$ , both approaches lead to a zero system, which exactly matches the zero transfer function of the full system  $G(s) = \tilde{C}\tilde{F}(s)\tilde{b} \equiv 0$ .

In the case that the control acts in the algebraic part and that the pressure is observed, i.e.,  $\tilde{b} = [b_{\perp}^T \quad 0 \quad 0]^T$  and  $\tilde{c} = [0 \quad 0 \quad c_2]$ , Algorithm 1 leads to  $E_r = 0$ ,  $A_r = -c_2 R^{-1} b_{\perp}$ ,  $b_r = -c_2 R^{-1} b_{\perp}$ , and  $c_r = -c_2 R^{-T} b_{\perp}$ . The newly proposed approach of Algorithm 2 leads to a zero dynamical system but a throughput term  $\tilde{D} = -c_2 R^{-T} b_{\perp}$ , cf. (34). Thus, both approaches lead to realizations with constant transfer functions which match the actual transfer function exactly.

In the interesting case that the control acts in the dynamical and the algebraic part of the velocity and that the pressure is observed, i.e.,  $\tilde{b} = [b_{\perp} \quad b_0^T \quad 0]^T$  and  $\tilde{c} = [0 \quad 0 \quad c_2]$ , the actual transfer function reads

$$G(s) = c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -R^{-T} & -R^{-T} A_{0\perp} (sI - A_0)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{\perp} \\ b_0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Here, the direct approach leads to  $E_r = -c_2 R^{-T} A_{0\perp} (2\sigma I - A_0)^{-1} (\sigma I - A_0)^{-1} b_0$  which, in general, is not zero and which means that the associated reduced transfer function is strictly proper unlike the original. On the other side, the modified approach transforms the system into an equivalent system with  $\tilde{D} = -c_2 R^{-T}$  and  $\tilde{D} = -c_2 R^{-T} [A_{0\perp} \quad A_0]$ . With the projection matrices  $\tilde{\mathcal{W}} = [0 \quad -c_2 R^{-T} A_{0\perp} (2\sigma I - A_0)^{-1}]^T$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{V}} = [0 \quad (\sigma I - A_0)^{-1} b_0]^T$  as defined in Algorithm 2, the dynamical part of the reduced system coincides with the same moment-matching reduction of the dynamical system

$$\dot{x} = A_0 x + b_0 u, \quad y = -c_2 R^{-T} A_{\perp 0} x.$$

Accordingly, in the modified approach, the constant part of the transfer function is matched exactly as are certain moments corresponding to the underlying dynamical part.

The interpretation in the time domain is as follows. A transfer function with constant and strictly proper parts means that the output is a sum of algebraic and differential variables. In this case the proposed index-2 specific approach approximates only the differential part and simply adds the algebraic components to the output through  $\tilde{D}$ . This is a twofold advantage over the direct approach. Firstly, the direct approach needs to approximate algebraic behavior by dynamic variables. Secondly, the directly reduced model has to capture two sets of variables – namely differential and algebraic – rather than one. The latter means, that apart from the qualitative error due to the unsuitable model structure, one also needs to expect a quantitatively increased error if compared to a reduced model of the same size obtained by the modified approach.

## 6 Numerical Results

In this section, we examine the performance of the proposed approach for Navier-Stokes type quadratic-bilinear descriptor systems by comparing it to the general version of the algorithm. To the newly proposed specification of the moment-matching algorithm for Navier–Stokes type systems, we refer as ind2QBmm and to the general moment-matching implementation on the basis of Algorithm 1, we refer as genQBmm.

### 6.1 Lid Driven Cavity

As a first test case, we consider a lid driven cavity on the unit square  $\Omega = (0, 1)^2$ , with the boundary  $\Gamma$ , for time  $t \in (0, 2]$ , modelled by the Navier–Stokes equations for the velocity  $\mathbf{v}$  and the pressure  $p$

$$\dot{\mathbf{v}} + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{v} - \frac{1}{\text{Re}}\Delta\mathbf{v} + \nabla p = 0, \quad (35a)$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0, \quad (35b)$$

$$\mathbf{v}|_{\Gamma} = g, \quad (35c)$$

$$\mathbf{v}|_{t=0} = \mathbf{v}_0, \quad (35d)$$

where the Reynolds number  $\text{Re}$  is a parameter depending on the geometry, a characteristic velocity, and the kinematic viscosity, where  $g$  is the Dirichlet condition that models the driven lid, i.e.  $\mathbf{v} = [1 \ 0]$  at the upper boundary and  $\mathbf{v} = 0$  elsewhere at the boundary, and where  $\mathbf{v}_0$  is an initial condition. We apply a finite element discretization to (35) using the *Taylor-Hood* scheme on a uniform mesh which leads to a system for the discretized velocity  $v$  and pressure  $p$  of the form

$$E_{11}\dot{v} = A_{11}v + Hv \otimes v + A_{12}p + f, \quad v(0) = v_s \quad (36a)$$

$$0 = A_{12}^T v, \quad (36b)$$

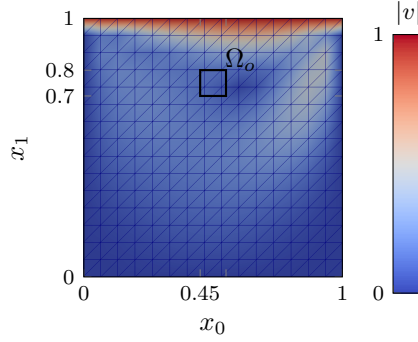
where  $E_{11}$  is the mass matrix and, thus, positive definite,  $A_{11}$  models the discrete diffusion,  $H$  models the discretized convection, and  $A_{12}$  is the discrete gradient operator with its transpose modelling the divergence. The source term  $f$  contains the Dirichlet boundary conditions. For the initial value we choose the associated steady-state solution. The chosen spatial discretization results in a state space dimension of  $n_1 + n_2 = 1681 + 255 = 1936$ .

The system (36) is extended to a descriptor system as follows. To model the input, we add  $b_1 u := f u$  to (36a). This is an ad hoc approximation of a Dirichlet boundary control  $\mathbf{v}_\delta(x, t)|_{\Gamma} = g(x)u(t)$ , cf. (35c), avoiding the difficulties that come with finite-element approximations of time dependent Dirichlet conditions, cf. [11]. As the output, we take the average pressure in the subdomain  $\Omega_o = [0.45, 0.55] \times [0.7, 0.8]$ , i.e.

$$y(t) = c_2 p(t) := \frac{1}{|\Omega_o|} \int_{\Omega_o} p(t, x) dx \quad (37)$$

evaluated in the corresponding finite element space. See Figure 1 for an illustration of the problem and its discretization. We consider the input to output behavior for an actuation  $b_1 u(t)$ .

**Remark 6.1** As in the setup of (35) the pressure is only defined up to a constant, to make sense of (37), the pressure should be normalized, e.g., by considering  $\bar{p}(t, x) = p(t, x) - \int_{\Omega} p(t, x) dx$ . In the numerical realization (36), we pin the pressure by enforcing  $p = 0$  at one node of the discretization. In the setup of the cylinder wake considered below, the pressure is uniquely defined by the outflow boundary conditions.



**Fig. 1** Illustration of the driven cavity for  $\text{Re} = 10$ , the grid used for the *Taylor-Hood* discretization, and the domain of observation  $\Omega_o$ .

Model reduction for lid driven cavity was also considered in [15], where the quadratic-bilinear DAE was approximated as a bilinear DAE via *Carleman* bilinearization to determine a reduced-order system, employing an  $\mathcal{H}_2$  optimal model reduction strategy. However, unlike in this paper, in [15], the driven cavity was modelled using the Navier–Stokes equations in vorticity-stream function formulation.

We rephrase the model by considering the deviation from a steady state, solving the associated steady-state system without control, instead of the actual state. Technically this is just a change of variables that can be undone after the reduction. However, if we further assume that the considered steady state is also the initial value, the resulting system has zero initial conditions and no drift terms which is always assumed in model reduction approaches that approximate the transfer function.

Therefore, we decompose  $v = v_s + v_\delta$  and  $p = p_s + p_\delta$ , where  $(v_s, p_s)$  is the associated steady state solution of (36), and obtain the system for the deviations  $(v_\delta, p_\delta)$  as

$$E_{11}\dot{v}_\delta = (A_{11} + L)v_\delta + H v_\delta \otimes v_\delta + A_{12}p_\delta + b_1 u, \quad (38a)$$

$$0 = A_{12}^T v_\delta, \quad v_\delta(0) = 0, \quad (38b)$$

$$y(t) = c_2 p_\delta, \quad (38c)$$

where  $L := H(v_s \otimes I + I \otimes v_s)$ . Note that no parts of the equations have been discarded as it is typically done in stabilization setups [4, 9]. We use *ind2QBmm* to approximate the system described through (38) and compare the results to the results obtained via *genQBmm* for two Reynolds numbers  $\text{Re} = 10$  and  $\text{Re} = 75$ .

### Reynolds number $\text{Re} = 10$

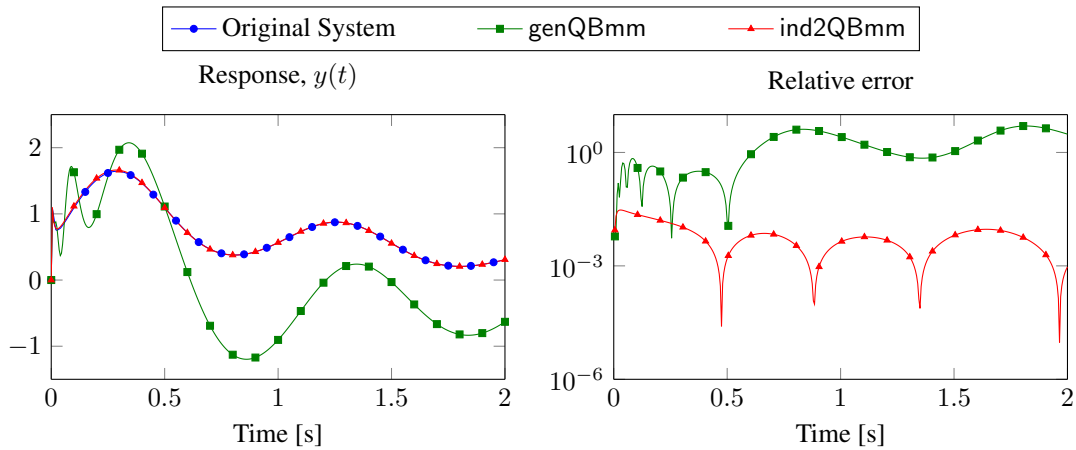
We first consider the low Reynolds number problem and seek to determine the reduced-order systems via both approaches. The interpolation points  $\sigma$  are identified by using *IRKA* on the linear part of the quadratic-bilinear DAE, cf. [18]. The number of interpolation points is set to 10, which leads to a reduced-order system of order 20. The time domain simulations for the original and the reduced systems via one-sided projection (by setting  $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{V}$ ) for  $u(t) = e^{-t}(2 + \sin(2\pi t))$  and the absolute error are shown in Figure 2.

In order to match more moments, we set  $\mathcal{W} \neq \mathcal{V}$  and identify them by using Algorithm 2. In case of two-sided moment-matching, we compare results for the full state vectors which are shown in Figure 3 for the same  $u(t)$  and the absolute error in the velocity on the full grid is shown in Figure 4.

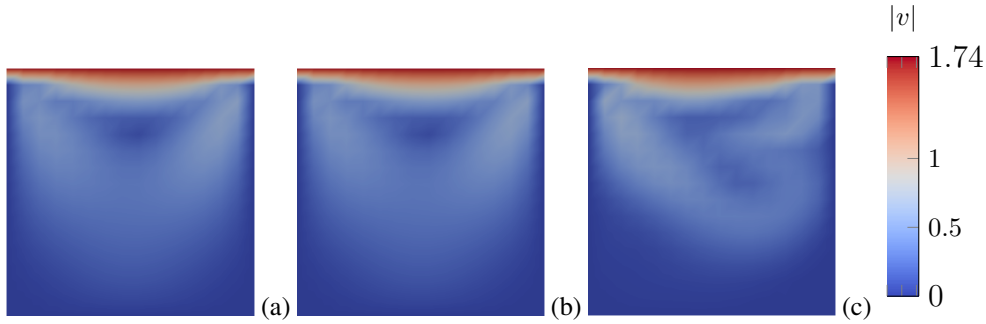
These figures clearly show that the specific approach *ind2QBmm* captures the dynamics of the original system way much better than the general approach.

### Reynolds number $\text{Re} = 75$

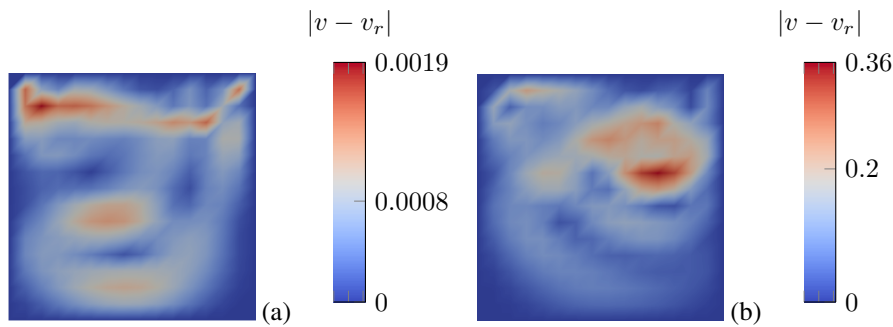
As for the previous example, also for the higher Reynolds number  $\text{Re} = 75$  setup, we determine the interpolation points by applying the *IRKA* on the linear part. We determined reduced-order systems of order 20 using the newly developed approach *ind2QBmm* and the generally valid approach *genQBmm* using one-sided projection. The results of the time domain simulations for the original and the reduced systems for  $u(t) = 0.5e^{-t}(2 + \sin(2\pi t))$  as well as the absolute error between the approximations are shown in Figure 5. We observe that unlike the general implementation *genQBmm*, the



**Fig. 2** Comparison of the reduced-order systems obtained from the genQBmm and ind2QBmm implementation for one-sided moment-matching for the input  $u(t) = e^{-t}(2 + \sin(2\pi t))$ .



**Fig. 3** Comparison of  $|v|$  obtained from full (Figure (a)) and reduced-order (Figure (b) is ind2QBmm and Figure (c) is genQBmm) for two-sided moment-matching at  $t = 2s$  for the input  $u(t) = e^{-t}(2 + \sin(2\pi t))$ .

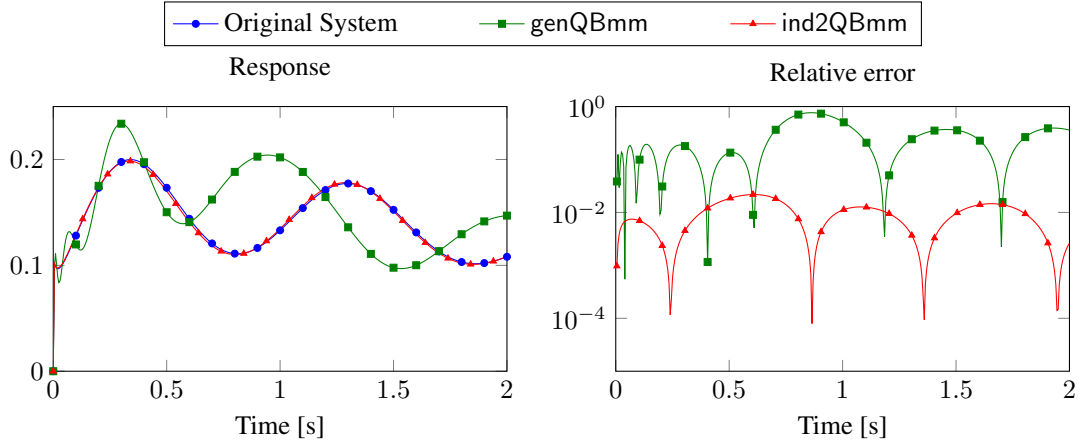


**Fig. 4** Absolute error of velocity  $|v - v_r|$  obtained from full and reduced-order systems (Figure (a) is ind2QBmm and Figure (b) is genQBmm) for two-sided moment-matching at  $t = 2s$ .

specific approach ind2QBmm well captures the input-output behavior of the original system, see the plot of the relative error in Figure 5. In the case of two-sided projections, we were unable to determine a stable reduced-order system using either approach.

### 6.2 Cylinder Wake

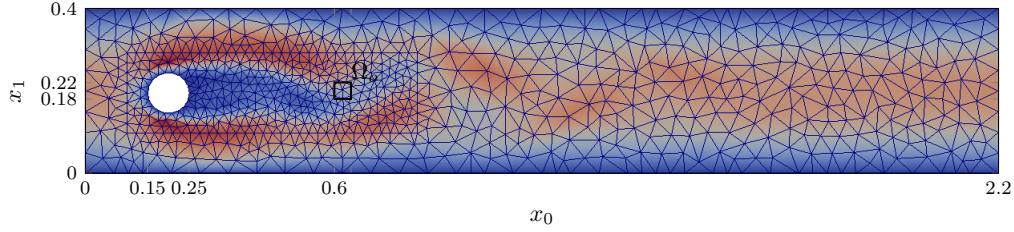
As a second test case, we consider the cylinder wake. The continuous model equations are the same as (35), but with a spatial domain  $\Omega$  as illustrated in Figure 6 and different boundary conditions. Namely, we prescribe a parabolic inflow



**Fig. 5** Comparison of reduced-order systems obtained from the two implementations for one-sided moment-matching for the input  $u(t) = 0.5e^{-t}(2 + \sin(2\pi t))$ .

profile at the left boundary, *do nothing* boundary conditions for the outflow at the right boundary, and *no-slip* conditions, i.e.,  $v = 0$ , elsewhere. An application of the *Taylor-Hood* finite element scheme yields a system of type (36) of state space dimensions  $n_1 + n_2 = 5812 + 805 = 6617$ .

Again, as the actuation, we add another instance of the source terms, accounting for the Dirichlet boundary conditions, scaled by the constant scalar value  $\beta$  to the system. The output was defined as in (37) with the domain of observation  $\Omega_o = [0.6, 0.64] \times [0.18, 0.22]$ . Here  $b_2 \neq 0$ , because of the normal component of the parabolic inflow profile at the left



**Fig. 6** Illustration of the cylinder wake for  $\nu = 10^{-1}$ , the grid used for the *Taylor-Hood* discretization, and the domain of observation  $\Omega_o$ .

boundary. So, the discretized system looks as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} E_{11}\dot{v}(t) &= A_{11}v(t) + A_{12}p(t) + Hv(t) \otimes v(t) + f_1 + b_1\beta, & v_0 &= v_s - \mathcal{X}, \\ 0 &= A_{21}v(t) + f_2 + b_2\beta, \\ y(t) &= c_2p(t), \end{aligned}$$

where  $v_s$  is the steady-state solution and  $\mathcal{X}$  accounts for  $b_2\beta$  as defined below. Analogously to the previous example, here we also consider the system for the deviation  $(v_\delta, p_\delta)$  from the steady-state solution  $(v_s, p_s)$  with  $\beta = 0$  which is given as follows:

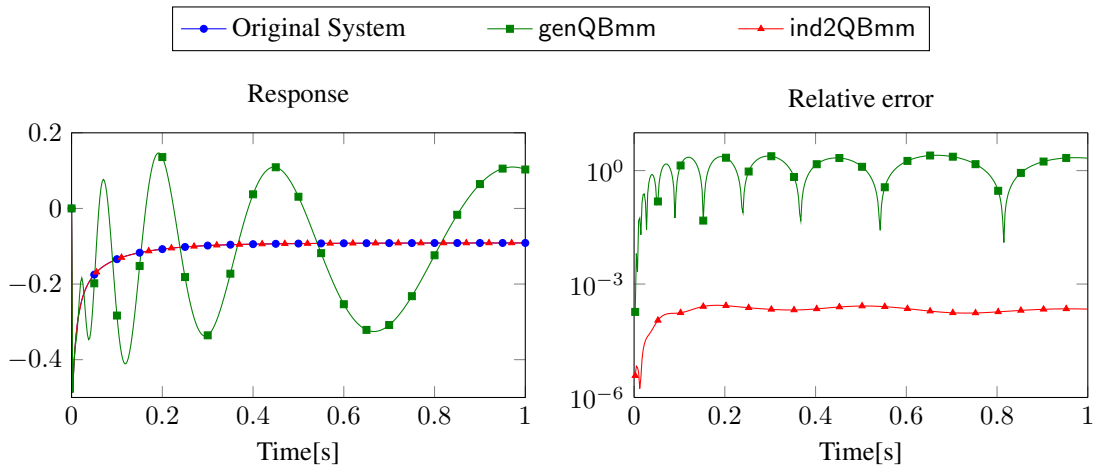
$$\begin{aligned} E_{11}\dot{v}_\delta(t) &= (A_{11} + L)v_\delta(t) + A_{12}p_\delta(t) + Hv_\delta(t) \otimes v_\delta(t) + b_1\beta, & v_\delta(0) &= -\mathcal{X}, \\ 0 &= A_{21}v_\delta(t) + b_2\beta, \\ y(t) &= c_2p_\delta(t), \end{aligned}$$

where  $L = H(v_s \otimes I + I \otimes v_s)$ . As discussed in Section 4, the  $b_2 \neq 0$  case can be appropriately transformed into  $b_2 = 0$  by substituting  $v_\delta(t) = v_0(t) - \mathcal{X}$  where  $\mathcal{X} = (E_{11}^{-1}A_{12})(A_{12}^T E_{11}^T A_{12})^{-1}b_2\beta$ . This results in the following equivalent system

$$E_{11}\dot{v}_0(t) = \tilde{A}_{11}v_0(t) + A_{12}p(t) + H_1v_0(t) \otimes v_0(t) + \tilde{B}, \quad v_0(0) = 0, \quad (39a)$$

$$0 = A_{21}v_0(t), \quad (39b)$$

$$y(t) = c_2p_\delta(t), \quad (39c)$$



**Fig. 7** Comparison of the reduced-order systems obtained through the general approach genQBmm and through the specific ind2QBmm implementation for one-sided moment-matching for the cylinder wake at Reynolds number  $Re = 10$ .

where  $\tilde{A}_{11} = A_{11} + L - H(I \otimes \mathcal{X} + \mathcal{X} \otimes I)$  and  $\tilde{B} = b_1\beta + H(\mathcal{X} \otimes \mathcal{X}) - \hat{A}_{11}\mathcal{X}$ . Note that  $v_0(0) = v_\delta(0) + \mathcal{X} = 0$ . We set the number of interpolation points to 15 and identify their location by employing *IRKA* on the linear part of the quadratic-bilinear DAE, cf. [18]. This gives us a reduced-order systems of order  $r = 30$  using both methods. For these settings, we compare the time-domain simulations for two different Reynolds numbers.

### Reynolds number $Re=10$

For small Reynolds number ( $Re = 10$ ), we determine the reduced-order systems using both approaches for one-sided projection (by setting  $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{V}$ ). We plot the time-domain simulations obtained with both reduced-order systems in Figure 7 for  $\beta = 0.5$ .

We observe that the reduced-order system, determined by the Navier–Stokes type specific approach ind2QBmm with one-sided projections, replicates the input-output dynamics of the original system very well, whereas the general implementation genQBmm fails to do so. For this example, we were not able to get stable reduced-order systems in case of two-sided projections for any of the two approaches.

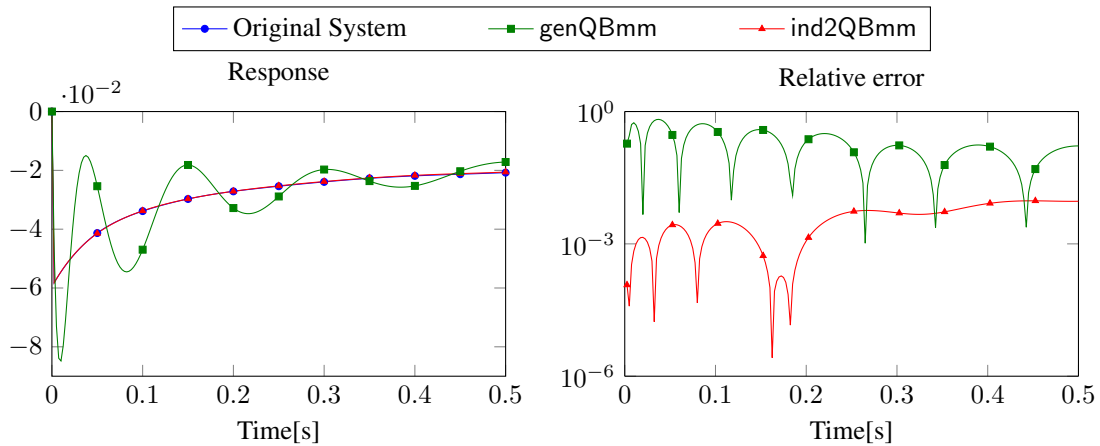
### Reynolds number $Re= 100$

Analogously, we determine reduced-order systems for higher Reynolds number ( $Re= 100$ ) and compare the time-domain simulations of the reduced-order system obtained via both approaches in Figure 8 for  $\beta = 0.1$ . Again, we observe that ind2QBmm outperforms the general approach genQBmm. However, we also observed that as  $\beta$  increases, for one-sided moment-matching, also the specific approach ind2QBmm fails to replicate the input-output behavior of the original system.

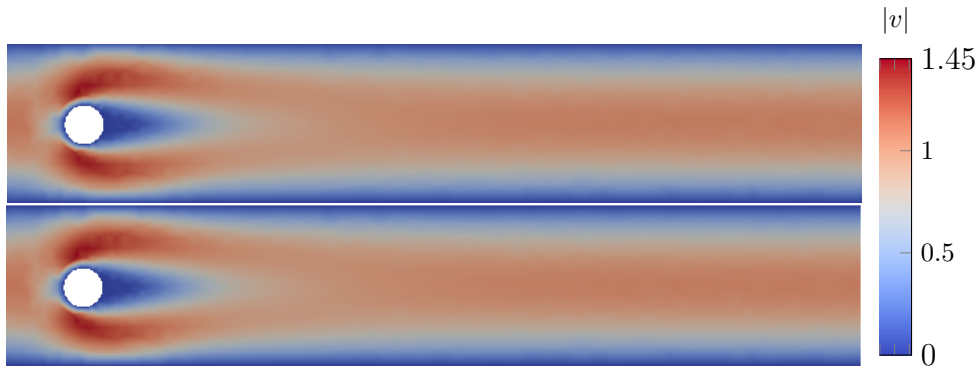
A visual comparison is performed through plotting the velocity approximations computed via the original system and the reduced-order system obtained by the specific approach ind2QBmm (Figure 9) as well as the absolute error (Figure 10) on the full grid. One can see that the reduced-order system also captures the dynamics on the full grid quite accurately.

## 7 Conclusions

We have proposed a two-sided moment-matching method for a special class of SISO quadratic-bilinear descriptor systems. We have applied two-sided moment-matching to an equivalent quadratic-bilinear ODE, so that a growing unbounded error due to the systems differential-algebraic nature will not occur. In view of efficient implementation, we have provided an algorithm that avoids the explicit computation of the projectors used for decoupling the DAEs into ODEs and purely algebraic equations. For the example of semi-discretized Navier–Stokes equations, we have shown the efficiency of the proposed method by comparing it to the approach to reduce quadratic-bilinear systems that was taken in [7]. For both two-sided and one-sided moment-matching, we could report significant improvements in the approximations by our proposed approach.



**Fig. 8** Comparison of reduced-order systems obtained from both implementations for one-sided moment-matching for the cylinder wake at Reynolds number  $Re = 100$ .



**Fig. 9** Comparison of  $|v|$  obtained from full-order (top) and reduced-order (below) models on the full grid.



**Fig. 10** Absolute error in  $|v|$  obtained from the full-order and reduced-order systems on the full grid.

As we have observed in the numerical results, the two-sided moment-matching does not guarantee the stability of the reduced-order systems. Therefore, as a future avenue it is very important to address the stability of reduced-order systems obtained via moment-matching. Moreover, in our tests, we have chosen the interpolation points as they are obtained by applying *IRKA* [18] to the linear part that fulfill the optimality properties for linear systems. It is still an open question how to choose the optimal interpolation points which minimize the error system in some measure for quadratic-bilinear systems. Also, an interesting follow-up is the extension of the two-sided moment-matching to the MIMO case.

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