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Abstract. We present a convergence analysis for generalized- α time integration methods applied to systems that are subject to stiff potential forces causing high frequency oscillations. The analysis is based on the proof of convergence in the case of index-three differential-algebraic equations (DAEs) because in the limit of infinite stiffness, the analytic solution of the system approaches that of the associated DAE system.

The theoretical results are verified by numerical tests for a simple test example.

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