

Exercises for Numerical Methods I

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1. Consider the trapezoidal method

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{t_{i+1} - t_i}{2} [f(t_i, y_i) + f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1})],$$

to approximate the solution of the initial value problem

$$y'(t) = f(t, y(t)), \quad t \in [a, b], \quad y(t_0) = y_0,$$

in $n + 1$ equidistant points in $[a, b]$. Solve the initial value problem

$$y'(t) = y(t) - t^2 + 1, \quad t \in [0, 1], \quad y(0) = \frac{1}{2}$$

for $n = 2$ using the implicit (backward) Euler method and the trapezoidal method.

2. Consider the following Runge-Kutta arrays

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \hline & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{array}{c|cc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \hline & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

which define two second-order Runge-Kutta methods for approximating the solution of the initial value problem

$$y'(t) = -y(t), \quad t > 0, \quad y(0) = 1$$

For a given $h > 0$, find for both arrays the coefficients $C(h)$, such that the corresponding method takes the form

$$y_{i+1} = C(h) y_i$$

3. Consider the Runge-Kutta method with tableau

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} \\ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} & \frac{1}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \hline & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

Show that this method is A-stable.

4. Let the linear system of ODEs

$$\begin{aligned}y_1(t) &= -100y_1(t), & y_1(0) &= 1, \\y_2(t) &= -2y_2(t) + y_1(t), & y_2(0) &= 1.\end{aligned}$$

Characterize the above system with respect to stiffness.

5. Implement in MATLAB the Euler method and the trapezoidal method (ex. 1) to approximate the exact solution $y(t) = e^{t-t^2/2}$ of the initial value problem

$$y'(t) = (1-t)y(t), \quad y(0) = 1, \quad t \in [0, 2],$$

for $h := t_{i+1} - t_i = 0.5, 0.2$ and 0.1 .

6. The fourth-order Runge-Kutta method is given by

$$\begin{aligned}y_0 &= y(a), \\k_0 &= hf(t_i, y_i), \\k_1 &= hf\left(t_i + \frac{h}{2}, y_i + \frac{1}{2}k_0\right), \\k_2 &= hf\left(t_i + \frac{h}{2}, y_i + \frac{1}{2}k_1\right), \\k_3 &= hf(t_{i+1}, y_i + k_2), \\y_{i+1} &= y_i + \frac{1}{6}(k_0 + 2k_1 + 2k_2 + k_3), \quad i = 0, \dots, n-1.\end{aligned}$$

Implement in MATLAB the above method to approximate the solution of the initial value problem

$$y'(t) = -\frac{y(t)}{1+t}, \quad t \in [0, 1], \quad y(0) = 1, \quad \text{for } h = 0.005.$$