Presentation for Final Project Tools and Techniques of Computational Science

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Introduction

Problem Statement

- This presentation is about the the Canned Project
- There are a total of two problems
- The programming language chosen for this project is c++
- Python has been used for post processing and plotting the figures

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Tools used for the project

 Several tools have been applied, including debug, verification, input parsing using Grvy, timing using grvy

Problem1

Differential Equation to Solve

- In this problem, we could choose a simple ODE of our choice
- y'(t) = y(t), y(0) = 1

Methods used

- Forwad Euler implemented by the developer (me)
- · Analytical Solution
- Explitic Runge-Kutta (4th order)

Problem 2

Differential Equation to Solve

- In this problem, we solve the equations of motion for a charged particle in an Electric field
- $\ddot{x} = \omega \dot{y} \dot{x}/\tau$
- $\ddot{y} = -\omega \dot{x} \dot{y}/\tau$
- $\ddot{z} = -\dot{z}/\tau$

Initial Conditions:

- x(0) = y(0) = z(0) = 0
- $\dot{x}(0) = 20, \dot{y}(0) = 0, \dot{z}(0) = 2$

Methods used from GSL library

- Explicit embedded Runge-Kutta (2, 3) method, rk2
- Explicit 4th order (classical) Runge-Kutta, rk4
- Explicit embedded Runge-Kutta-Fehlberg (4, 5) method, rkf45

Build System

Modules Required

- to run the code on stampede, the following modules need to be loaded:
 - ► load gcc/4.7.1
 - ► load gsl
 - ► load grvy

Makefile

- to create the executable we run "make"
 - creates object filed by compiling the source codes
 - links the object files to create the executable which is "toolsProject"
- To perform a check on the results, we run "make check":
 - it runs the code based on a certain input files
 - compares the output file to an output file that we know is correct

Version Control

git and github

- · git has been used as the version control system
- commits were made whenever some part of the code was changed
- the link to the project git hub: https://github.com/frUTCS16/toolsProject

Verification Plan

the verification mode can be turned on or off from the input file

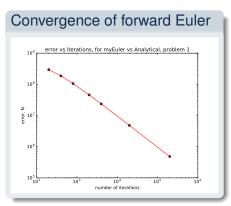
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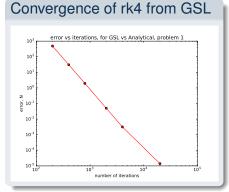
- for this problem we have the analytical solution
- the error can easily be calculated by comparing the results to the analytical solution
- we either take the norm of the error or compare the error at the last point

Problem 2

- as the exact solution, we run the code for a very small step size
- compare the results for other stepsizes to the result from run with very small step size
- we either take the norm of the error or compare the error at the last point

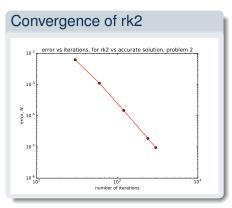
Convergence, Problem 1

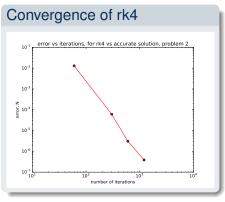




- It can be observed that the convergence rate (i.e negative of the slope) of the Forward euler method is 1
- The convergence rate for RK4 is 4

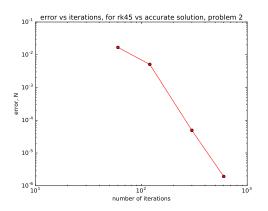
Convergence, Problem 2





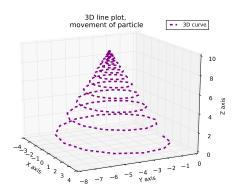
- The convergence rate for RK2 is 2
- The convergence rate for RK4 is 4

Convergence, Problem 2



• the convergence rate for RKF45 is almost 4 (negative of the slope)

Problem 2, 3D tragectory



• This is the trajectory of the object, all the methods give the same trajectory

Input parsing

Input Parsing using GRVY

- at run time we type we must type the name of the input file in front of the executable
- the following variables will be read by grvy
 - ▶ problem Problem number
 - ▶ odeMethod method used for problem 2, either rk4, or rk2, or rkf45
 - ▶ verification 1 turns on the verification mode and zero turns it off
 - debug determines the level of debug, zero is no debug, 1 only prints the timing performace, 2 prints more
 - ▶ maxTime Max Time
 - ► h step size
 - ▶ numberPrint the number of stepsizes to print the results

Timing Problem 1

- in this figure, the forward euler function and the gsl rk4 have been compared
- both cases were run when Tmax = 20, and time step is 10e 4
- it can see seen that gslSolver takes less time

Timing Problem 2

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How did I start up

Problem Statement

- I started by wrinting a pseudo code
- Then I started to write the main and from there all the corresponding functions
- I was testing all the function as I was writting them
- I set up a git and committed when there was a change
- I originally started the developmene on my laptop but then switech to stampede because of the libraries

What would I do differently

Problem Statement

- I would spend more time thinking about the structure of the code rather than start coding right away
- I would make sure I understand the problem well
- I spend too much time on code verification and it was mainly because
 I was my code was originally written in a way that was not very suitable for verification so I had to change it significantly

Lessons learned

Problem Statement

- it matters to write a clean code and keep good documentation
- its better to start coding on stampede rather than your personal laptop if it is going to be run on stampede at the end
- git is a great tool to use!
- · writting modular code is really important
- I learned many new skill, such as input parsing, version control, unit testing and regression testing, timing and etc.