

Assignment 7

General Instructions

- Solutions due by 22nd April for Group A
- Solutions due by 24th April for Group B

Hand calculations

- (20 points) The following scheme has been proposed for solving $y' = f(y)$:

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \omega_1 k_1 + \omega_2 k_2,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} k_1 &= h f(y_i) \\ k_0 &= h f(y_i + \beta_0 k_1) \\ k_2 &= h f(y_i + \beta_1 k_0) \end{aligned}$$

with h being the step size.

- Determine the coefficients $\omega_1, \omega_2, \beta_0$ and β_1 that would maximize the order of accuracy of the method.
 - Applying this method to $y' = \alpha y$, what is the maximum step size h for α pure imaginary?
 - Applying this method to $y' = \alpha y$, what is the maximum step size h for α real negative?
- (20 points) Consider solving the following first-order initial value problem:

$$y'(x) = \frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y) = x + y, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1,$$

using a fourth-order accurate Taylor-series method given as follows:

$$y(x_i + h) = y(x_i) + h T_4(x_i, y_i, h)$$

where

$$T_4(x_i, y_i, h) = y'(x_i) + y''(x_i) \frac{h}{2!} + y'''(x_i) \frac{h^2}{3!} + y^{iv}(x_i) \frac{h^3}{4!}.$$

Starting with $x = 0$ using a step size of $h = 0.1$, calculate the solution at $x = 1$. Tabulate your results showing the computed solution, exact solution and error at each step. The exact analytical solution is given by $y(x) = 2e^x - x - 1$.

Programming

- (60 points) Consider the differential equation governing simple harmonic motion: $y(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} y'' + \omega^2 y &= 0 \text{ for } t > 0 \\ y(0) &= y_0; \quad y'(0) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Use $y_0 = 1$ and $\omega = 4$.

- If the general form of the exact solution is $y(t) = A \sin(\omega t) + B \cos(\omega t)$, obtain the exact solution to the initial value problem subject to the given conditions
- Re-write the above second order differential equation as a system of first order differential equations.
- Solve this system using *leapfrog* method: $y^{(n+1)} = y^{(n-1)} + 2hf(y^{(n)}, t^{(n)})$ with time step size $h = 0.1$ s for $0 \leq t \leq 9$ s. Use Euler explicit method to start the calculation.
- Plot the amplitude errors between the exact and numerical solution at specific time instances where the exact solution attains peak values.
- Do the observed amplitude errors agree with your expectation for leapfrog method? Explain why or why not.