

# Numerical Methods for Computational Science and Engineering

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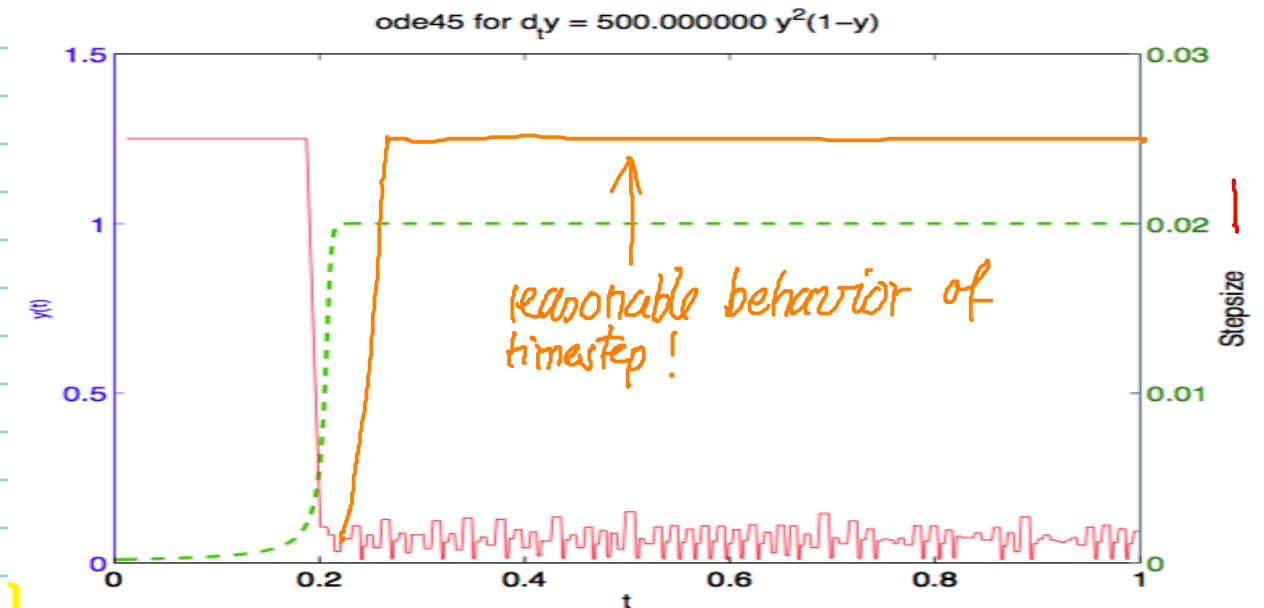
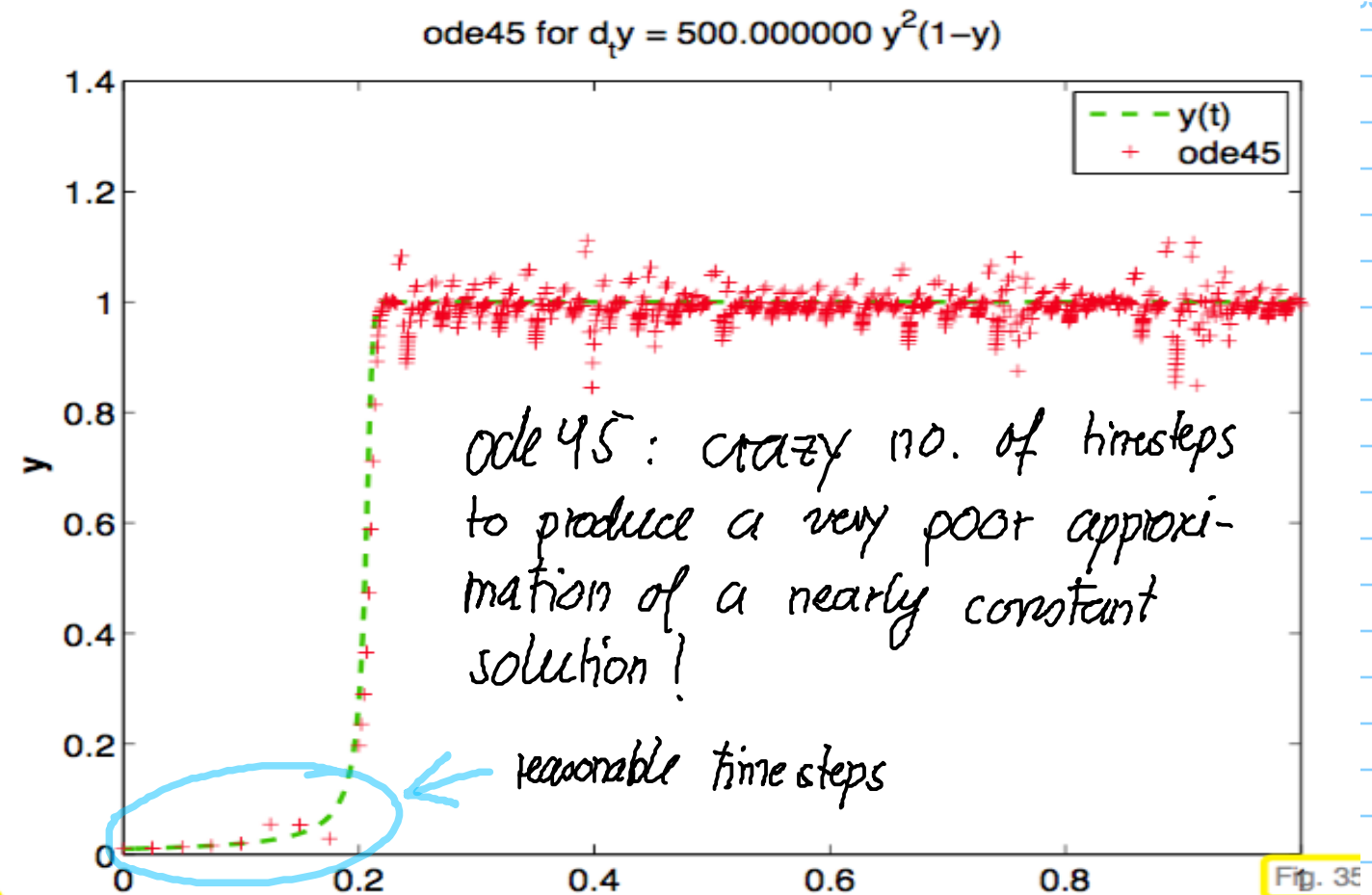
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## XII. Single step methods for stiff IVPs

### MATLAB-script 12.0.2: Use of MATLAB integrator ode45 for a stiff problem

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1 fun = @(t,x) 500*x^2*(1-x);  
2 options = odeset('reltol',0.1,'abstol',0.001,'stats','on');  
3 [t,y] = ode45(fun,[0 1],y0,options);
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$$\dot{y} = 500y^2(1-y)$$

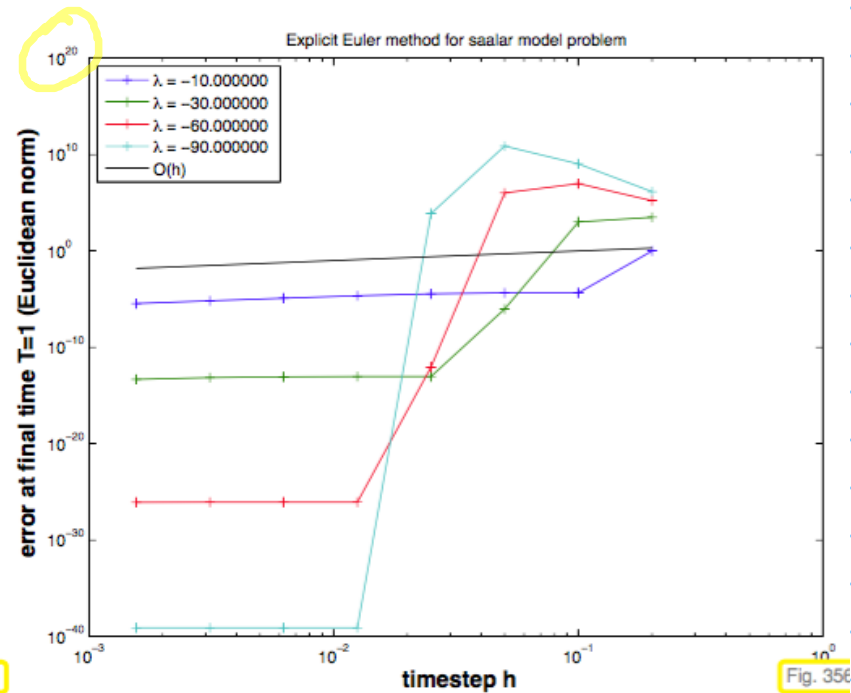


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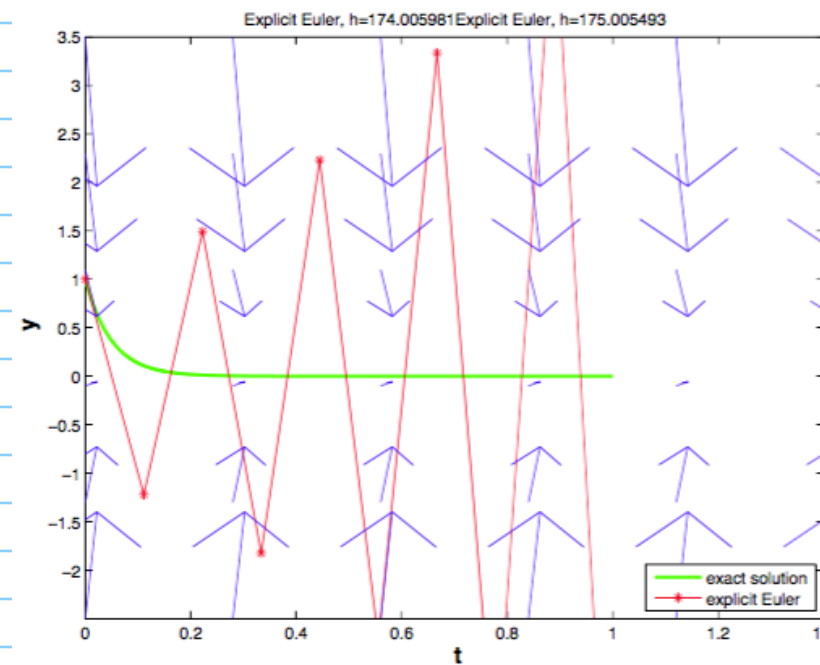
What's wrong with RK-SSM underlying ODE45?

## 12.1 Model problem analysis

Example: Explicit Euler method for  $\dot{y} = \lambda y$ , uniform  $h$   
 $[y(0) = 1, \lambda < 0]$  [decay equation]



→ blow-up for large  $|\lambda h|$



△ Exponentially growing oscillations due to overshooting

Analysis: Expl. Eul.  $y_{k+1} = y_k + h\lambda y_k$   
 $\Rightarrow y_k = (1 + h\lambda)^k y_0, \quad k=1, \dots, N$   
 blow-up  $\Leftrightarrow |1 + h\lambda| > 1$

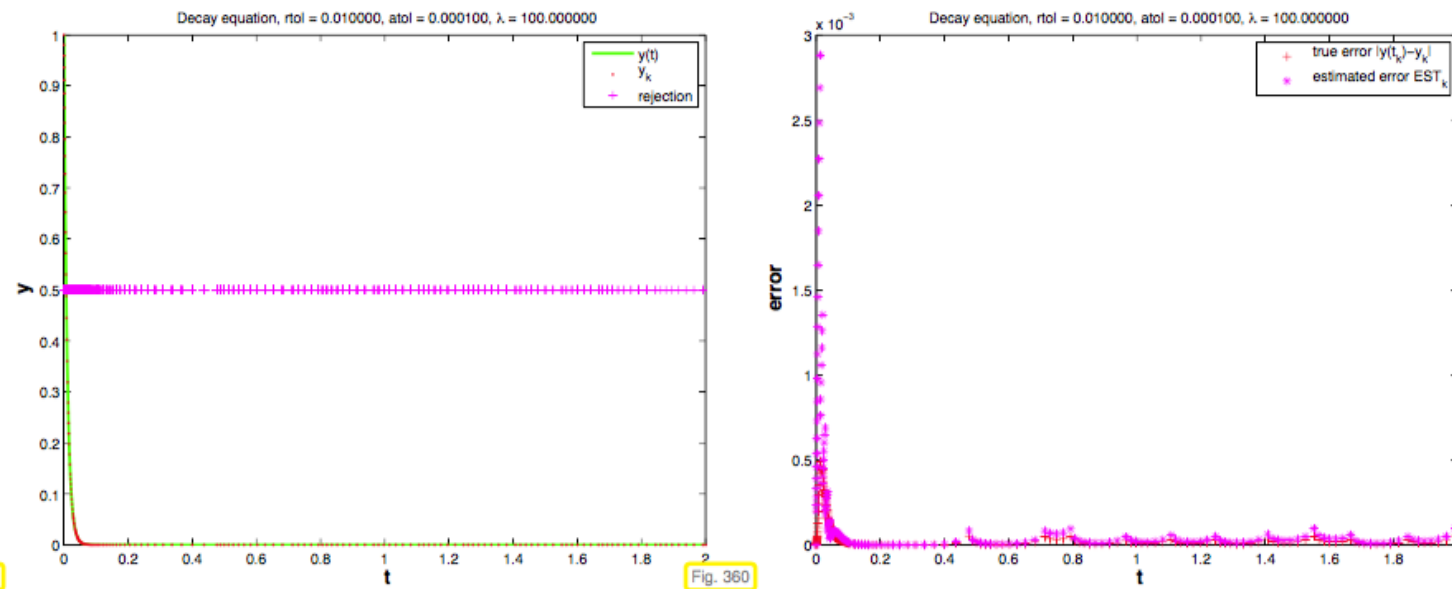
For  $\lambda < 0$  we want  $y_k \rightarrow 0 \Leftrightarrow |1 + h\lambda| < 1$

If  $\lambda < 0, |h\lambda| > 2 \Rightarrow$  blow-up

Necessary is  $|h\lambda| \leq 2 \Rightarrow$  timestep constraint  $h < \frac{2}{|\lambda|}$

Experiment: Adaptive himestepping (expl. Euler, expl. trap.)  
 for decay equation with  $\lambda \ll 0$   
 $[\lambda = -100]$

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→ adaptive timestepping detects time step constraints

→ small timesteps throughout (inefficient)

Is this a flaw of explicit Euler?

Example: Explicit trapezoidal method [2 stage RK-SSM]

$$\dot{y} = \lambda y \Rightarrow y_1 = \underbrace{(1 + \lambda h + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda h)^2)}_{=: S(\lambda h)} y_0$$

$$\Rightarrow y_k = S(\lambda h)^k y_0$$

$$\text{No blow-up} \Leftrightarrow |S(\lambda h)| \leq 1$$

$$[\lambda < 0] \Leftrightarrow -2 \leq \lambda h \leq 0 \rightarrow \text{timestep constraint}$$

For general explicit RK-SSM :  $\frac{c}{b^T} A$  [Butcher scheme]  
 applied  $\dot{y} = \lambda y, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

#### Definition 11.4.9. Explicit Runge-Kutta method

For  $b_i, a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}, c_i := \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij}, i, j = 1, \dots, s, s \in \mathbb{N}$ , an  $s$ -stage explicit Runge-Kutta single step method (RK-SSM) for the IVP (11.1.20) is defined by

$$k_i := f(t_0 + c_i h, y_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} k_j), \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \quad y_1 := y_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i k_i.$$

The vectors  $k_i \in \mathbb{R}^d, i = 1, \dots, s$ , are called increments,  $h > 0$  is the size of the timestep.

$$f(t, x) = \lambda x \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} k_i &= \lambda \left( y_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} k_j \right) \\ y_1 &= y_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i k_i \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

$$(*) \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} I - zA & 0 \\ -z b^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} = y_0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$z := \lambda h$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow y_1 &= y_0 + z b^T (I - zA)^{-1} \mathbb{1} y_0 \\ &= \underbrace{S(z)}_{\in \mathbb{R}} y_0 \end{aligned}$$

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**Theorem 12.1.15. Stability function of explicit Runge-Kutta methods** → [32, Thm. 77.2], [45, Sect. 11.8.4]

The discrete evolution  $\Psi_\lambda^h$  of an explicit  $s$ -stage Runge-Kutta single step method (→ Def. 11.4.9) with Butcher scheme  $\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{c} & \mathbf{A} \\ \hline & \mathbf{b}^T \end{array}$  (see (11.4.11)) for the ODE  $\dot{y} = \lambda y$  amounts to a multiplication with the number

$$\Psi_\lambda^h = S(\lambda h) \Leftrightarrow y_1 = S(\lambda h) y_0$$

where  $S$  is the stability function

$$S(z) := 1 + z\mathbf{b}^T(\mathbf{I} - z\mathbf{A})^{-1}\mathbf{1} = \det(\mathbf{I} - z\mathbf{A} + z\mathbf{1}\mathbf{b}^T), \quad \mathbf{1} = [1, \dots, 1]^T \in \mathbb{R}^s. \quad (12.1.16)$$

↳ from Cramer's rule

▷ RK - sequence (uniform timestep  $h > 0$ ) :  $y_k = S(z)^k y_0$

Examples :

- Explicit Euler method (11.2.7):

$$\begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 0 \\ \hline & 1 \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow \quad S(z) = 1 + z$$

- Explicit trapezoidal method (11.4.6):

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 0 \\ & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow \quad S(z) = 1 + z + \frac{1}{2}z^2$$

- Classical RK4 method:

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{2}{6} & \frac{2}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow \quad S(z) = 1 + z + \frac{1}{2}z^2 + \frac{1}{6}z^3 + \frac{1}{24}z^4$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$e^z = 1 + z + \frac{1}{2}z^2 + \frac{1}{6}z^3 + \frac{1}{24}z^4 + \dots$$

**Corollary 12.1.18. Polynomial stability function of explicit RK-SSM**

For a consistent (→ Def. 11.3.10)  $s$ -stage explicit Runge-Kutta single step method according to Def. 11.4.9 the stability function  $S$  defined by (12.1.16) is a non-constant polynomial of degree  $\leq s$ :  $S \in \mathcal{P}_s$ .

$$\Rightarrow |S(z)| \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } |z| \rightarrow \infty$$

⇒ Timesktp constraint to avoid blow-up for  $\dot{y} = \lambda y$   
 ↳  $|\lambda|h$  sufficiently small to avoid blow-up  
 $\Leftrightarrow |S(\lambda h)| \leq 1$

Only if one ensures that  $|\lambda h|$  is sufficiently small, one can avoid exponentially increasing approximations  $y_k$  (qualitatively wrong for  $\lambda < 0$ ) when applying an explicit RK-SSM to the model problem (12.1.3) with uniform timestep  $h > 0$ ,

Model problem analysis for linear systems of ODEs

$$\dot{y} = M y, \quad M \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$$

LA : Solved by diagonalization [Note:  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{C}$ ]

$$V^{-1} M V = D = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d)$$

$$z = V^{-1} y \Rightarrow \dot{z} = D z$$

↑ eigenvalues  
 $\hat{=}$  decoupled scalar linear ODEs



⑤ Explicit Euler method for  $\dot{y} = My$ : diagonalization

$$y_{k+1} = y_k + hMy_k$$

$$\underline{z}_k = V^{-1}y_k \quad \underline{z}_{k+1} = \underline{z}_k + hV^{-1}MVV^{-1}y_k = (I + hD)\underline{z}_k$$

$$\Rightarrow (\underline{z}_{k+1})_i = (1 + h\lambda_i)(\underline{z}_k)_i \quad [\text{decoupled}]$$

To avoid blow-up ensure  $|1 + h\lambda_i| \leq 1 \quad \forall i=1, \dots, d$   
 [also for  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{C}$ ]  $\Leftrightarrow h|\lambda_i| \leq 2$  **timestep constraint**

General RK-SSM applied to  $\dot{y} = My$

$$[V^{-1}MV = D = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d)]$$

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The vectors  $k_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$ , are called **increments**,  $h > 0$  is the size of the timestep.

$f(y) = My$ , transformed increments:  $\hat{k}_i = V^{-1}k_i$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \hat{k}_i &= D(\underline{z}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} \hat{k}_j) \\ \underline{z}_1 &= \underline{z}_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \hat{k}_i \end{aligned} \quad \rightarrow \text{decoupled}$$

$$(\hat{k}_i)_e = \lambda_e [(\underline{z}_0)_e + h \sum a_{ij} (\hat{k}_j)_e]$$

$\hookrightarrow$  increment equation of RK-SSM applied to  $\underline{z} = D\underline{z}$ .

The RK-SSM generates uniformly bounded solution sequences  $(y_k)_{k=0}^\infty$  for  $\dot{y} = My$  with diagonalizable matrix  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$  with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d$ , **if and only if** it generates uniformly bounded sequences for **all** the scalar ODEs  $\dot{z} = \lambda_i z$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, d$ .

#### Theorem 12.1.46. (Absolute) stability of explicit RK-SSM for linear systems of ODEs

The sequence  $(y_k)_k$  of approximations generated by an explicit RK-SSM ( $\rightarrow$  Def. 11.4.9) with stability function  $S$  (defined in (12.1.16)) applied to the linear autonomous ODE  $\dot{y} = My$ ,  $M \in \mathbb{C}^{d,d}$ , with uniform timestep  $h > 0$  **decays exponentially** for every initial state  $y_0 \in \mathbb{C}^d$ , if and only if  $|S(\lambda_i h)| < 1$  for all eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  of  $M$ .

#### Definition 12.1.49. Region of (absolute) stability

Let the discrete evolution  $\Psi$  for a single step method applied to the scalar linear ODE  $\dot{y} = \lambda y$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , be of the form

$$\Psi^h y = S(z)y, \quad y \in \mathbb{C}, h > 0 \quad \text{with} \quad z := h\lambda \quad (12.1.50)$$

and a function  $S: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Then the **region of (absolute) stability** of the single step method is given by

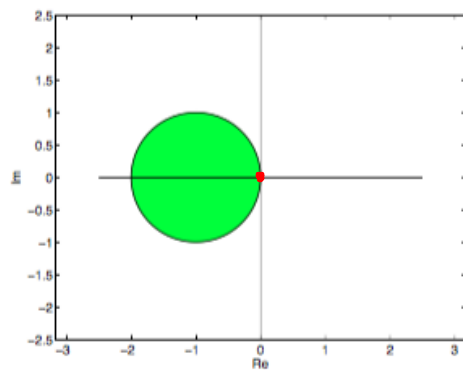
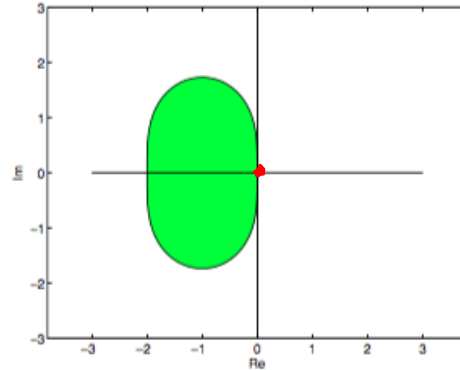
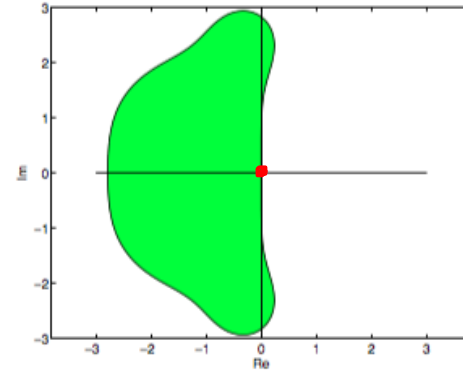
$$S_\Psi := \{z \in \mathbb{C}: |S(z)| < 1\} \subset \mathbb{C}.$$

Why  $\mathbb{C}$ ?  $\rightarrow$  because of complex eigenvalues of  $M$

If  $S_\Psi$  is bounded  $\Rightarrow$  Timestep constraint to avoid blow-up.

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Examples :

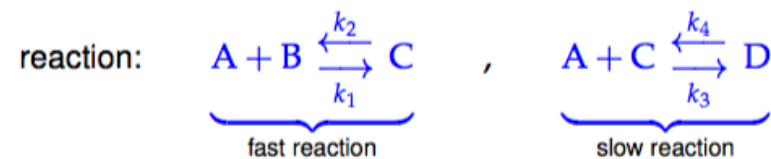
 $S_E$ : explicit Euler (11.2.7) $S_T$ : explicit trapezoidal method $S_{RK4}$ : classical RK4 method

$$|1+z| < 1$$

Remark:  $0 \in \partial S_T$ , because  $S(z) = 1+z+O(|z|^2)$  for consistent SSM.  
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## 12.2. Stiff IVPs

Example: Chemical reaction

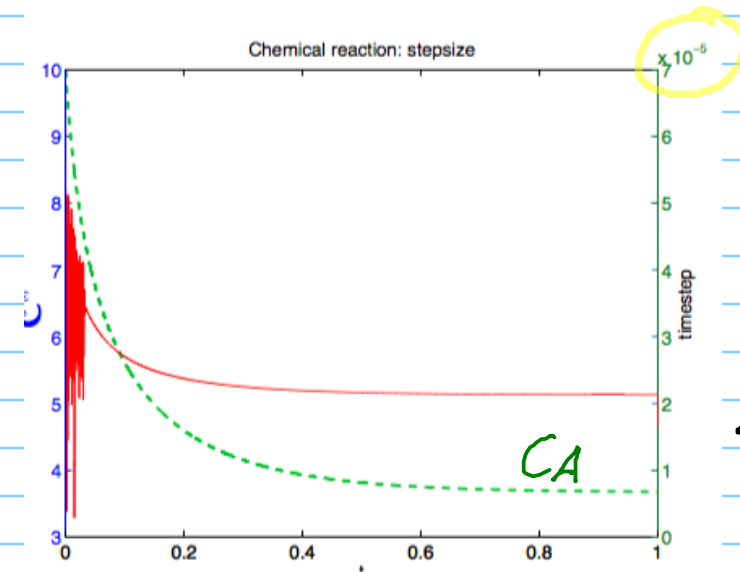


reaction constants:

$$k_1, k_2 \gg k_3, k_4$$

Mathematical model: non-linear ODE involving concentrations  $y(t) = (c_A(t), c_B(t), c_C(t), c_D(t))^T$

$$\dot{y} := \frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} c_A \\ c_B \\ c_C \\ c_D \end{bmatrix} = f(y) := \begin{bmatrix} -k_1 c_A c_B + k_2 c_C - k_3 c_A c_C + k_4 c_D \\ -k_1 c_A c_B + k_2 c_C \\ k_1 c_A c_B - k_2 c_C - k_3 c_A c_C + k_4 c_D \\ k_3 c_A c_C - k_4 c_D \end{bmatrix}. \quad (12.2.3)$$



Explicit adaptive RK-SSM

← tiny timesteps though solution does not change much

← Looks like stability induced timestep constraint

Discussion: linear system:  $\dot{y} = M y$

EVs  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d$ :

• There is a  $\lambda_j$ :  $\text{Re } \lambda_j \gg 0 \rightarrow$  blow-up of exact solution

[Note:  $\text{Re } \lambda$  in  $y(t) = e^{\lambda t}$  governs decay/growth:

$$|e^{\lambda t}| = e^{\text{Re}(\lambda t)}$$

$\rightarrow$  Blow-up of  $(y_k)$  is even desirable

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•  $\text{Re } \lambda_2 \leq 0 \quad \forall \lambda$  and  $|\text{Re } \lambda_2| \gg 1$

→ Exact solution remains bounded

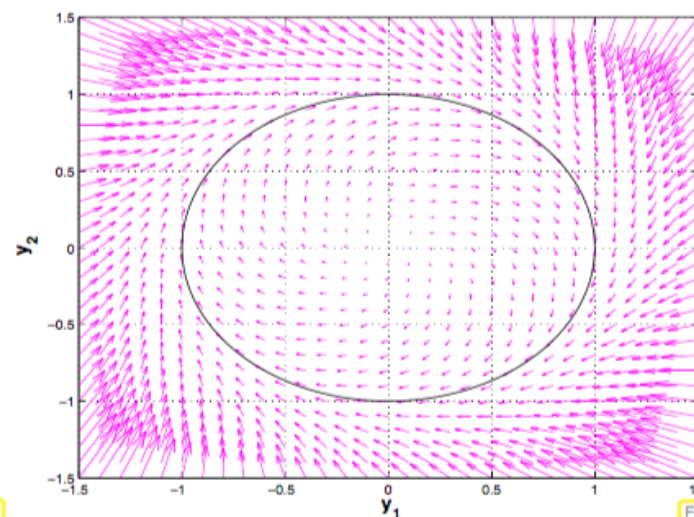
→ Blow-up of numerical solution disastrous!

→ Avoid blow-up! → **time step constraint!**

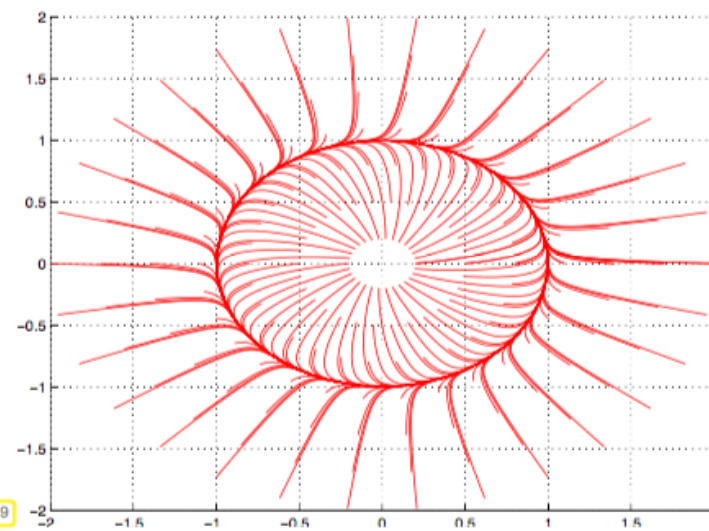
Example: Strongly attractive limit cycle

$$\text{ODE: } \dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x + \lambda(1 - \|x\|^2) x$$

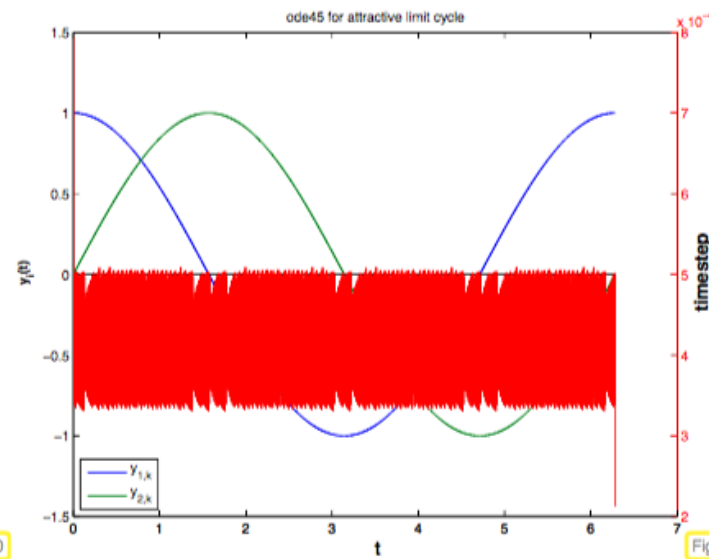
$$\|x(0)\|_2 = 1 \Rightarrow \|x(t)\|_2 = 1 \quad \forall t$$



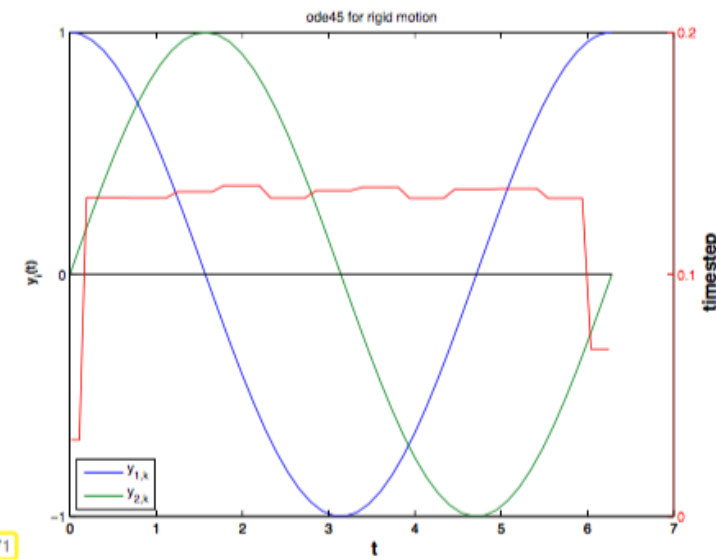
vectorfield  $f$  ( $\lambda = 1$ )



solution trajectories ( $\lambda = 10$ )



many (3794) steps ( $\lambda = 1000$ )



accurate solution with few steps ( $\lambda = 0$ )

### Notion 12.2.9. Stiff IVP

An initial value problem is called **stiff**, if stability imposes much tighter timestep constraints on *explicit single step methods* than the accuracy requirements.

Heuristic considerations for predicting stiffness:

- Linear ODEs  $\dot{x} = Mx$  :  $V$
  - General ODE  $\dot{x} = f(x)$ , stiffness state dependant
- Stiff at state  $x^* \in x(t)$ ?

Tool: **Linearization**  $f(x) \approx f(x^*) + Df(x^*)(x - x^*)$

▷ "Close" to  $x^*$  solutions of  $\dot{x} = f(x)$  will behave like solutions of the linearized ODE

$$\dot{z} = f(x^*) + Df(x^*)(z - x^*) \quad (L)$$

⑧  $(L) \triangleq$  affine linear ODE

## Linearization of explicit RK-SSM

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$y_0 := y^*$ :  $k_i \triangleq f(y^*) + Df(y^*) h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} k_j$   
 $\triangleq$  increment equ. for RK-SSM applied to  $(L)$ !  
 $\rightarrow$  For small  $h$  RK-SSM at state  $y^*$  will behave like the same RK-SSM applied to  $(L)$  at  $y^*$ .  
 amenable to linear model problem analysis

for small timestep the behavior of an explicit RK-SSM applied to  $\dot{y} = f(y)$  close to the state  $y^*$  is determined by the eigenvalues of the Jacobian  $Df(y^*)$ .

### How to distinguish stiff initial value problems

An initial value problem for an autonomous ODE  $\dot{y} = f(y)$  will probably be stiff, if, for substantial periods of time,

$$\min\{\operatorname{Re} \lambda : \lambda \in \sigma(Df(y(t)))\} \ll 0, \quad (12.2.15)$$

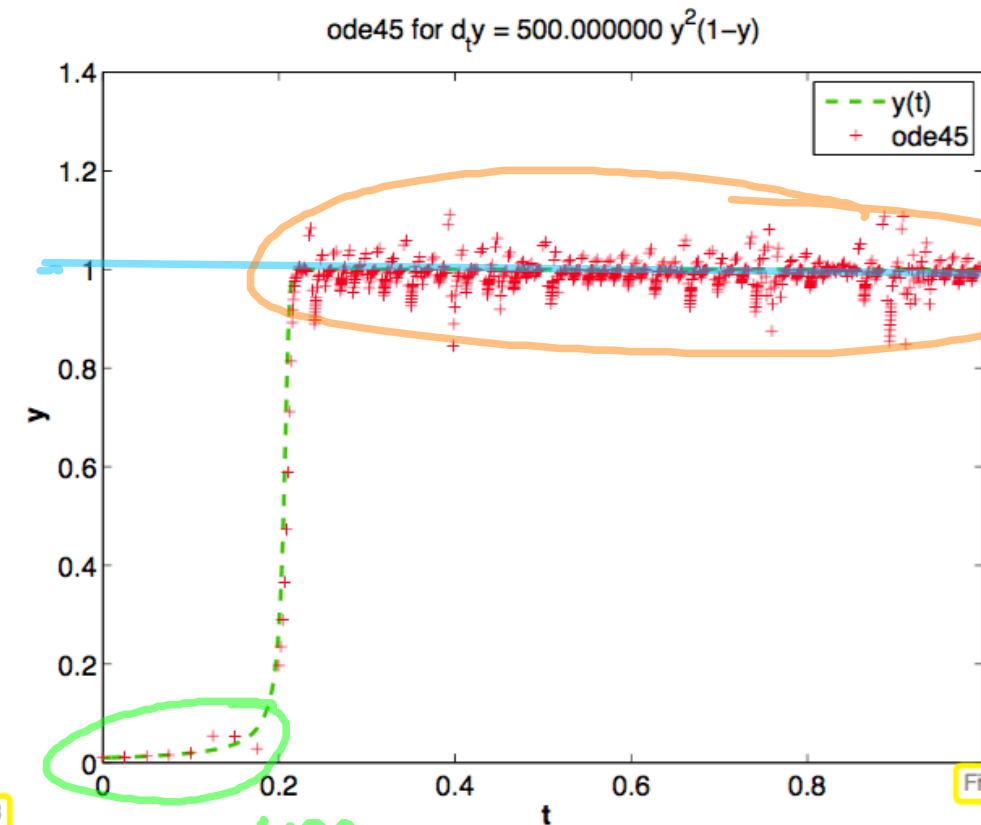
$$\max\{\operatorname{Re} \lambda, \lambda \in \sigma(Df(y(t)))\} \approx 0, \quad (12.2.16)$$

where  $t \mapsto y(t)$  is the solution trajectory and  $\sigma(M)$  is the spectrum of the matrix  $M$ , see Def. 7.1.1.

Examples:

$$\dot{y} = f(y) := \lambda y^2(1-y), \quad \lambda \gg 1$$

$$Df(y) = 2\lambda y(1-y) - \lambda y^2 \begin{cases} \ll 0 & \text{if } y \approx 1 \\ \approx 0 & \text{for } y \approx 0 \end{cases}$$



stiff

non-stiff

$$f(y) := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} y + \lambda(1 - \|y\|_2^2) y, \quad \lambda \gg 1$$

$$Df(y) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda \{-2yy^T + (1 - \|y\|_2^2) I\}$$



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$$\|x\|_2 = 1 \Rightarrow \sigma(\text{DF}(x)) = -1 \pm \sqrt{\lambda^2 - 1}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \dot{y} = \lambda y (1-y) , \text{ stiffness conditional on } y_0 \\ \lambda \gg 1 \end{array} \right]$$

## 12.3. Implicit Runge-Kutta single step methods

### 12.3.1. The implicit Euler method for stiff IVPs

$$\text{Imp. Eul.: } y_{k+1} = y_k + h f(y_{k+1})$$

Linear model problem analysis: apply to  $\dot{y} = \lambda y$

$$\rightarrow y_{k+1} = \frac{1}{(1-h\lambda)} y_k \quad [\text{uniform timestep } h]$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{k+1} = \left[ \frac{1}{1-h\lambda} \right]^k y_0$$

If  $\lambda < 0 \Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{1-h\lambda} \right| < 1 \Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} y_k = 0$   
 for **all**  $h > 0$ !  
 $\rightarrow$  No stability induced timestep constraint

Same result for linear ODEs:  $\dot{y} = My$ ,  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$   
 [by diagonalization]

For any timestep, the implicit Euler method generates exponentially decaying solution sequences  $(y_k)_{k=0}^{\infty}$  for  $\dot{y} = My$  with diagonalizable matrix  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$  with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d$ , if  $\text{Re } \lambda_i < 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, d$ .

Implicit Euler: order 1

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First step of SSM for IVP:  $\dot{y} = f(y)$ ,  $y(0) = y_0$   
 $\rightarrow y_1$ , stepsize  $h$

(i) On  $[0, h]$  approximate  $y(t) \approx y_h(t) \in V$   
 $V \triangleq$  finite-dim. space of functions  $[0, h] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$   
 Standard choice:  $V = (\mathcal{P}_s)^d$ ,  $\dim V = s+1$

(ii) Selection of  $y_h$  through **collocation conditions**  

$$\begin{cases} y_h(0) = y_0, & \dot{y}_h(\tau_j) = f(y_h(\tau_j)) \\ \text{for collocation points } 0 \leq \tau_1 \leq \dots \leq \tau_s \leq h \end{cases}$$
  
 $\rightarrow s+1$  equations

(iii)  $y_1 = y_h(h)$

Collocation points from reference interval  $[0, 1]$ :  $\tau_j = c_j h$   
 $0 \leq c_1 \leq c_2 \leq \dots \leq c_s \leq 1$

$\dot{y}_h \in (\mathcal{P}_{s-1})^d \Rightarrow \dot{y}_h(\tau h) = \sum_{j=1}^s \dot{y}_h(c_j h) L_j(\tau)$ ,  
 $\{L_j\}_{j=1}^s \triangleq$  Lagrange polynomials of degree  $s-1$   
 for node set  $\{c_j\}_{j=1}^s : L_j(c_i) = \delta_{ij}$

from coll. cond.  

$$\dot{y}_h(\tau h) = \sum_{j=1}^s f(y_h(c_j h)) L_j(\tau)$$
  

$$\int_0^{\tau} \dots d\tau \Rightarrow y_h(\tau h) - y_h(0) = h \sum_{j=1}^s \underbrace{f(y_h(c_j h))}_{=: k_j} \int_0^{\tau} L_j(\tau) d\tau$$

$\tau = c_i$

$k_i = f(t_0 + c_i h, y_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} k_j)$

$y_1 := y_h(t_1) = y_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i k_i$

where  $a_{ij} := \int_0^{c_i} L_j(\tau) d\tau$ ,  $b_i := \int_0^1 L_i(\tau) d\tau$ . (12.3.11)

$s=1$  **Collocation single step method (CL-SSM)**

$\rightarrow s > 1$ :  $k_i$  to be determined by solving a system of equations  $\rightarrow$  implicit method

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CL-SSM applied to  $\dot{y} = f(t)$ ,  $y_1(0) = 0$   
 $y_1 = h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i f(c_i h)$ ,  $b_i = \int_0^1 L_i(\tau) d\tau$   
 $\hat{=}$  a polynomial quadrature formulas  
 $\downarrow$   
weights

Convergence of CL-SSM:

$\dot{y} = 10y(1-y)$ ,  $y_0 = 0.01$ ,  $T = 1$

1 Equidistant collocation points,  $c_j = \frac{j}{s+1}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, s$ .

We observe algebraic convergence with the empiric rates

$s=1 : p=1.96$   
 $s=2 : p=2.03$   
 $s=3 : p=4.00$   
 $s=4 : p=4.04$

} same as orders of polynomial quad. rules with nodes  $c_j$ .

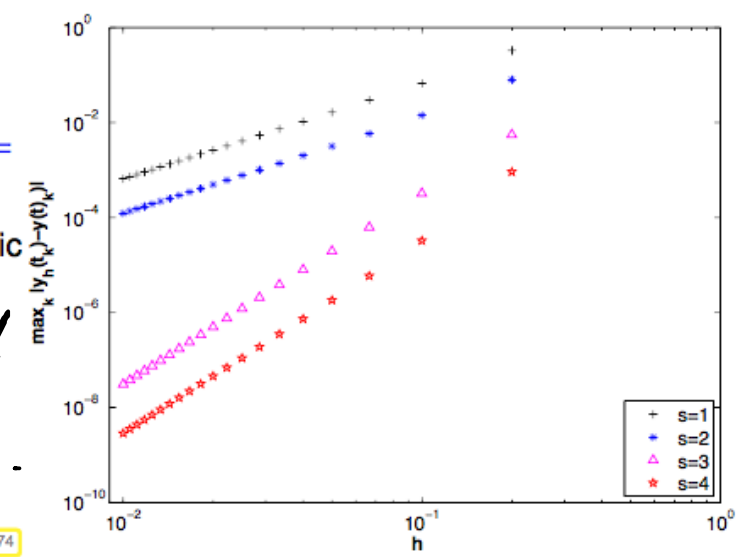


Fig. 374

1 Gauss points in  $[0,1]$  as normalized collocations points  $c_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, s$ .

We observe algebraic convergence with the empiric rates

$s=1 : p=1.96$   
 $s=2 : p=4.01$   
 $s=3 : p=6.00$   
 $s=4 : p=8.02$

} order  $2s$   
= order of s-pt. Gauss quad.

Gauss collocation SSM

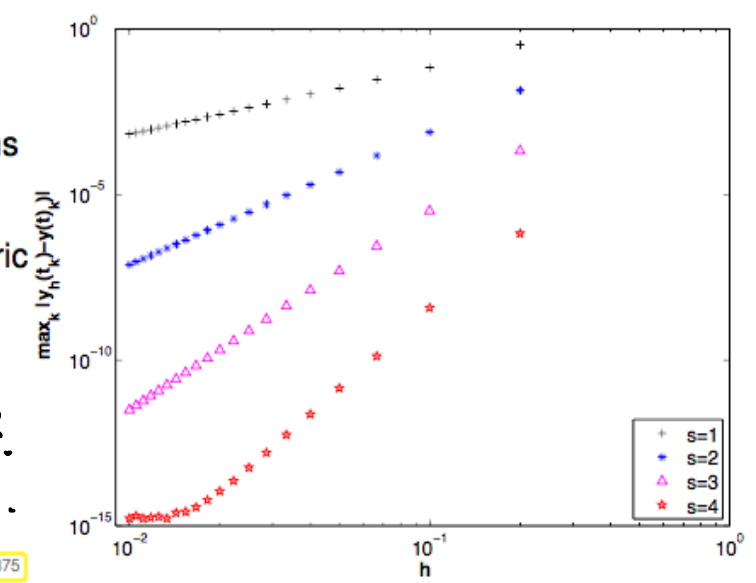


Fig. 375

Theorem 12.3.17. Order of collocation single step method [13, Satz .6.40]

Provided that  $f \in C^p(I \times D)$ , the order ( $\rightarrow$  Def. 11.3.21) of an  $s$ -stage collocation single step method according to (12.3.11) agrees with the order ( $\rightarrow$  Def. 5.3.1) of the quadrature formula on  $[0,1]$  with nodes  $c_j$  and weights  $b_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, s$ .

$$\mathbf{k}_i = f(t_0 + c_i h, \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j), \quad \text{where} \quad a_{ij} := \int_0^{c_i} L_j(\tau) d\tau, \quad (12.3.11)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_1 := \mathbf{y}_h(t_1) = \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_i, \quad b_i := \int_0^1 L_i(\tau) d\tau.$$

### Definition 11.4.9. Explicit Runge-Kutta method

For  $b_i, a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $c_i := \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij}$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, s$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{N}$ , an  $s$ -stage explicit Runge-Kutta single step method (RK-SSM) for the ODE  $\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{y})$ ,  $\mathbf{f}: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ , is defined by ( $\mathbf{y}_0 \in D$ )

$$\mathbf{k}_i := f(t_0 + c_i h, \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j), \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \quad \mathbf{y}_1 := \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_i.$$

The vectors  $\mathbf{k}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$ , are called **increments**,  $h > 0$  is the size of the timestep.

### Definition 12.3.18. General Runge-Kutta single step method (cf. Def. 11.4.9)

For  $b_i, a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $c_i := \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij}$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, s$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{N}$ , an  $s$ -stage Runge-Kutta single step method (RK-SSM) for the IVP (11.1.20) is defined by

$$\mathbf{k}_i := f(t_0 + c_i h, \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j), \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \quad \mathbf{y}_1 := \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_i.$$

As before, the  $\mathbf{k}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$  are called **increments**.

### General Butcher scheme notation for RK-SSM

Shorthand notation for Runge-Kutta methods

**Butcher scheme**

Note: now  $\mathcal{A}$  can be a general  $s \times s$ -matrix.

$\triangleright$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{c} & \mathcal{A} \\ \hline & \mathbf{b}^T \end{array} := \begin{array}{c|ccc} c_1 & a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1s} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ c_s & a_{s1} & \cdots & a_{ss} \\ \hline & b_1 & \cdots & b_s \end{array}. \quad (12.3.20)$$

$\mathbf{k}_i$  obtained by solving increment equations iteratively (simplified Newton method)

$\hookrightarrow$  freeze Jacobian

Stages:  $\mathbf{g}_i = h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{k}_i = f(\mathbf{y}_0 + \mathbf{g}_i)$

Focus on  $d=1$ :  $= h \sum a_{ij} f(\mathbf{y}_0 + \mathbf{g}_j)$

$$\vec{\mathbf{g}} = \begin{bmatrix} g_1 \\ \vdots \\ g_s \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^s : F(\vec{\mathbf{g}}) = 0$$

$$F(\vec{\mathbf{g}}) = \vec{\mathbf{g}} - h \mathcal{A} \begin{bmatrix} f(\mathbf{y}_0 + \mathbf{g}_1) \\ \vdots \\ f(\mathbf{y}_0 + \mathbf{g}_s) \end{bmatrix}$$

Initial guess for simplified Newton: ( $h$  is small)

$$\vec{\mathbf{g}}^{(0)} = \underline{0}$$

$$\mathcal{D}F(\underline{0}) = I - h \mathcal{A} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(\mathbf{y}_0 + \underline{0}) & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(\mathbf{y}_0 + \underline{0}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= I - h \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}(\mathbf{y}_0) \mathcal{A}$$



Iteration:  $\vec{g}^{(l+1)} = \vec{g}^{(l)} - \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{invertible for } h \text{ small enough}}}{DF(Q)^{-1}} F(\vec{g}^{(l)})$

17.12.15 : Recap

- Stiffness
- Implicit Euler methods is unconditionally stable for  $\dot{y} = \lambda y, \lambda < 0$
- Collocation RK-SSM (includes implicit Euler,  $s=1, c_s=1$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{k}_i &= f(t_0 + c_i h, \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j), \\ \mathbf{y}_1 &:= \mathbf{y}_h(t_1) = \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_i. \end{aligned} \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{aligned} a_{ij} &:= \int_0^{c_i} L_j(\tau) d\tau, \\ b_i &:= \int_0^1 L_i(\tau) d\tau. \end{aligned} \quad (12.3.11)$$

$s=1, c_1=1 \Rightarrow a_{11} = b_1 = \int_0^1 L_1(\tau) d\tau = \int_0^1 1 d\tau = 1$

12.3.4. Model problem analysis for implicit RK-SSM

Apply RK-SSM to  $\dot{y} = \lambda y \Rightarrow y_1 = S(z) y_0$   
 $z := \lambda h$

**Definition 12.3.18. General Runge-Kutta single step method (cf. Def. 11.4.9)**

For  $b_i, a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}, c_i := \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij}, i, j = 1, \dots, s, s \in \mathbb{N}$ , an  $s$ -stage Runge-Kutta single step method (RK-SSM) for the IVP (11.1.20) is defined by

$$\mathbf{k}_i := f(t_0 + c_i h, \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j), \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \quad \mathbf{y}_1 := \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_i.$$

As before, the  $\mathbf{k}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$  are called increments.

$f(t, y) := \lambda y$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{k}_i &= \lambda (\mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j), \\ \mathbf{y}_1 &= \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_i \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} - z \mathbf{a} & 0 \\ -z \mathbf{b}^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{k} \\ \mathbf{y}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{y}_0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$S(z) := 1 + \underbrace{z \mathbf{b}^T (\mathbf{I} - z \mathbf{a})^{-1} \mathbf{1}}_{\text{stability function}} = \frac{\det(\mathbf{I} - z \mathbf{a} + z \mathbf{1} \mathbf{b}^T)}{\det(\mathbf{I} - z \mathbf{a})}, \quad z := \lambda h$$

rational function:  $S(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}, P, Q \in \mathcal{P}_s$

Example:

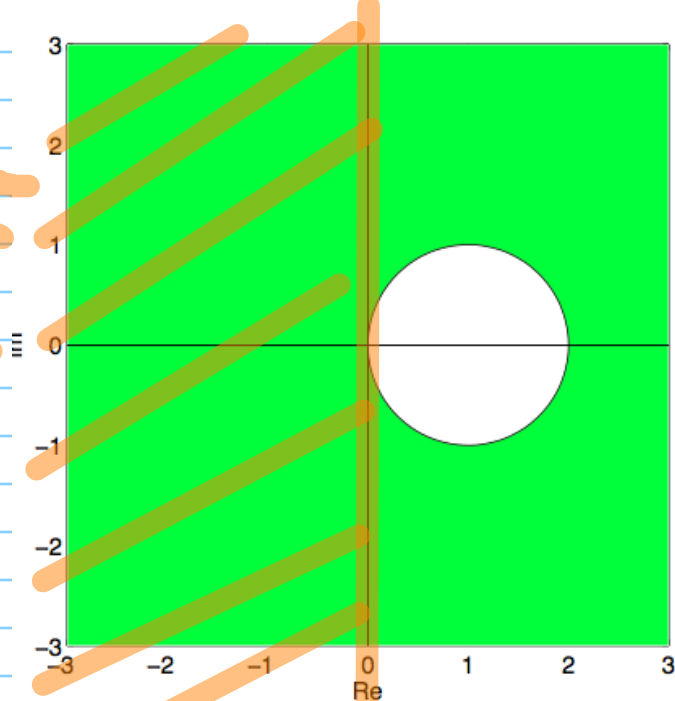
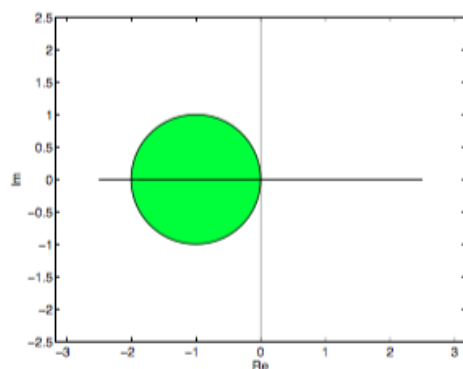
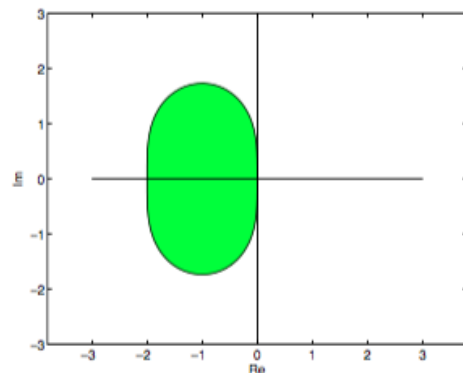
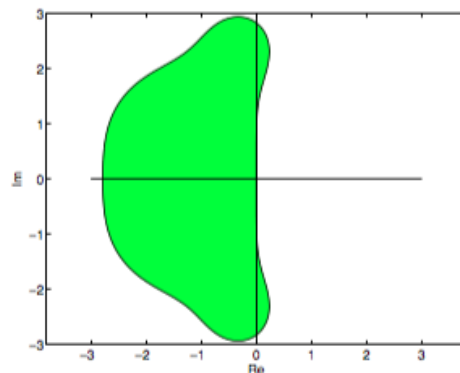
impl. Euler:  $\begin{array}{|c|} \hline 1 \\ \hline 1-z \\ \hline \end{array} \Rightarrow S(z) = \frac{1}{1-z}$

Region of stability:

$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} S(z) = 0$

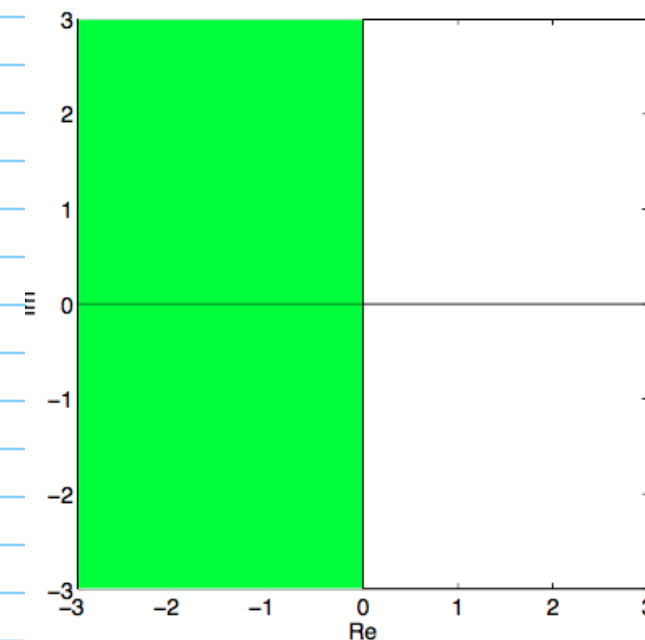
$S_{\psi} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |S(z)| < 1\} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z-1| > 1\}$

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 $S_\Psi$ : implicit Euler method (??) $\triangleright A$ -stable $S_\Psi$ : explicit Euler (11.2.7) $S_\Psi$ : explicit trapezoidal method $S_\Psi$ : classical RK4 methodorder  $2s$  !

Implicit midpoint rule:  $[s=1, c_1=\frac{1}{2}, b_1=1, a_1=\frac{1}{2}]$   
 = Gauss collocation RK-SSM

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \hline & 1 \end{array} \Rightarrow S(z) = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}z}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z}$$

 $S_\Psi$ : implicit midpoint method (11.2.18)

$S_\Psi = \mathbb{C}^-$   
 $\rightarrow$  unconditional stability  
 $\rightarrow$  ideal region of stability:  
 $\text{Re } \lambda < 0 \Rightarrow h\lambda \in S_\Psi$   
 $\Rightarrow$  decaying  $(y_k)$   
 $\text{Re } \lambda > 0 \Rightarrow |S(h\lambda)| > 1$   
 $\Rightarrow$  growing  $(y_k)$

exact match for growth/decay  
 of exact solution  $y(t) = Ce^{At}b$

**Theorem 12.3.35. Region of stability of Gauss collocation single step methods [13, Satz 6.44]**

$s$ -stage Gauss collocation single step methods defined by (12.3.11) with the nodes  $c_s$  given by the  $s$  Gauss points on  $[0, 1]$ , feature the "ideal" stability domain:

$$S_\Psi = \mathbb{C}^- . \quad (12.3.34)$$

In particular, all Gauss collocation single step methods are A-stable.

15  $A$ -stable = unconditionally stable for decay eqn.

### Definition 12.3.32. A-stability of a Runge-Kutta single step method

A Runge-Kutta single step method with stability function  $S$  is **A-stable**, if

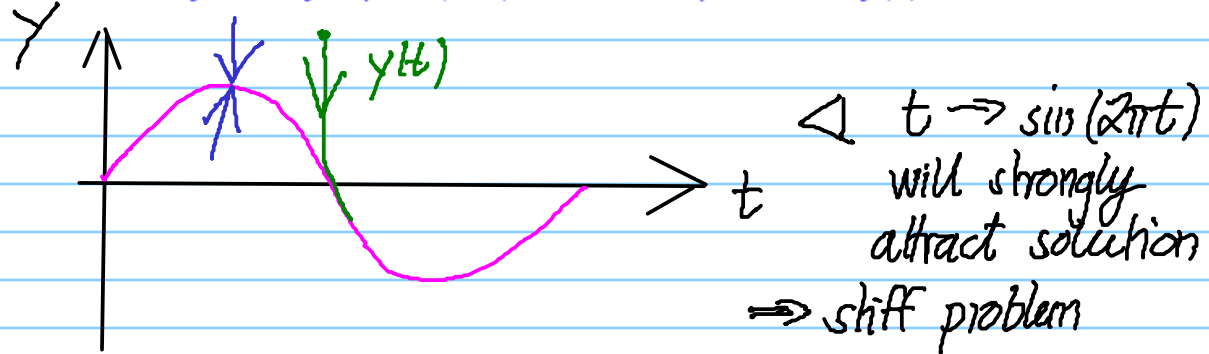
$$C^- := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re} z < 0\} \subset \mathcal{S}_\Psi. \quad (\mathcal{S}_\Psi \triangleq \text{region of stability Def. 12.1.49})$$

A-stable Runge-Kutta single step methods will not be affected by stability induced timestep constraints when applied to **stiff** IVP ( $\rightarrow$  Notion 12.2.9).

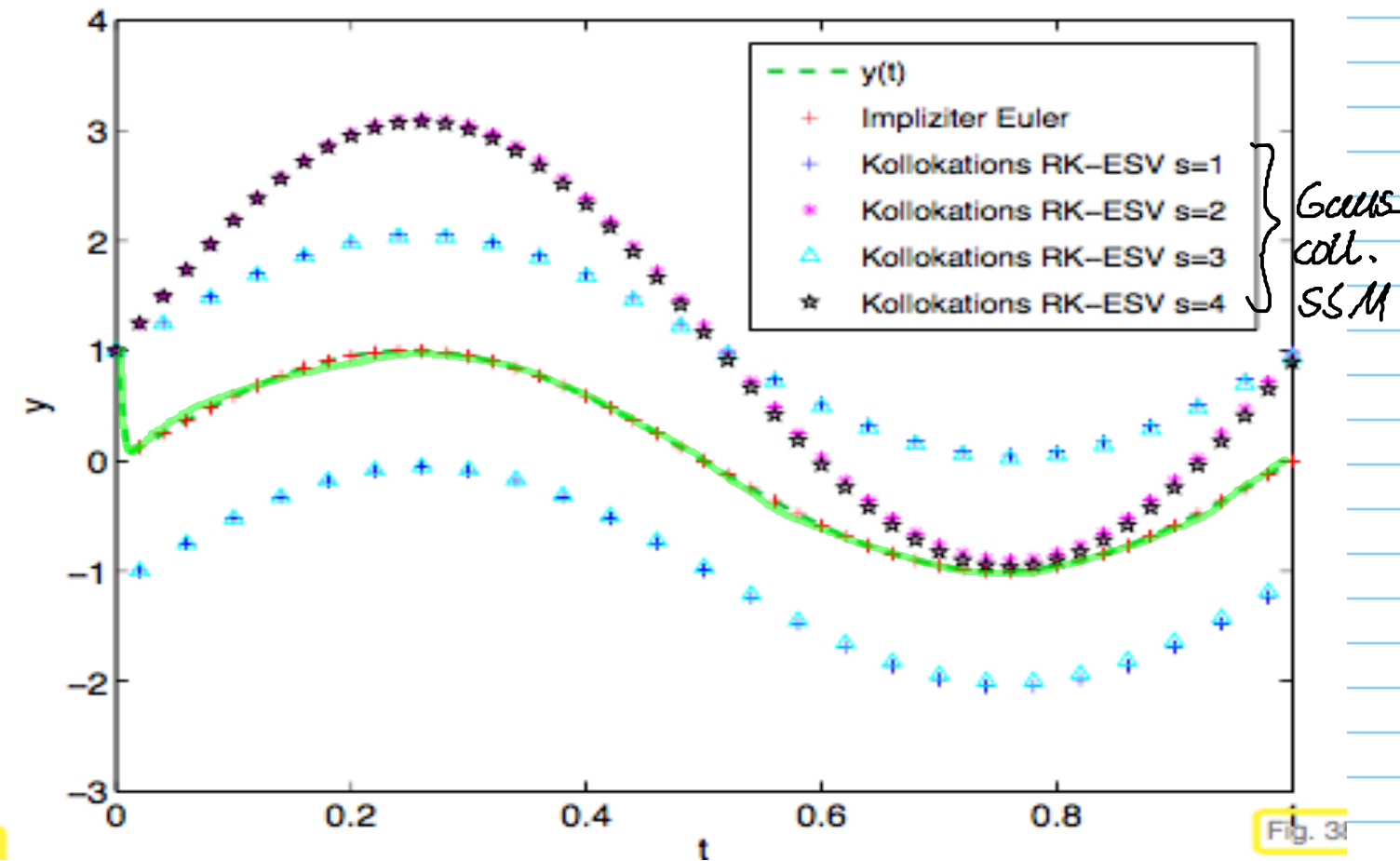
The catch :

Example :

$$\dot{y} = -\lambda y + \beta \sin(2\pi t), \quad \lambda = 10^6, \beta = 10^6, \quad y(0) = 1,$$



$$\dot{\underline{z}} = \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda z_1 + \beta \sin(2\pi z_2) \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \underline{z}, \quad \underline{z}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} y(t) \\ t \end{bmatrix}$$



For Gauss col. SSM :  $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} |S(z)| = 1$

$$|\lambda h| \gg 1 \Rightarrow |S(\lambda h)| \approx 1 : \underbrace{y_k = (S(z))^k y_0}_{\text{for } \dot{y} = \lambda y}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Very slow decay of the SSM solution  
Very fast decay of  $t \rightarrow y(t)$





## (17) 12.4. Semi-implicit RK-SSM

Idea: Fixed small number of Newton steps to compute increments

$\Leftrightarrow$  Linearize increment equation

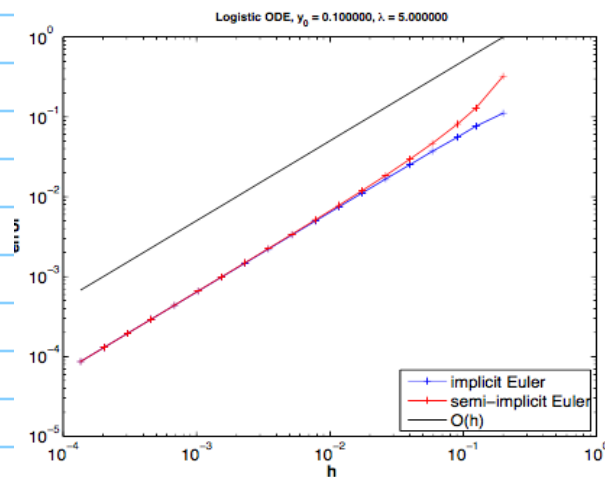
Example: Impl. Euler for  $\dot{y} = f(y)$   $y_1 = y_0 + h f(y_1)$

Linearization (around  $y_0$ ):  $y_1 \approx y_0 + h[f(y_0) + Df(y_0)(y_1 - y_0)]$

$$y_1 = y_0 + \underbrace{(I - h Df(y_0))^{-1}}_{\text{invertible for sufficiently small } h} h f(y_0) \quad (*)$$

$(*) =$  Semi-implicit Euler SSM

$$[\sigma(I - h Df(y_0)) = 1 - h \sigma(Df(y_0))]$$



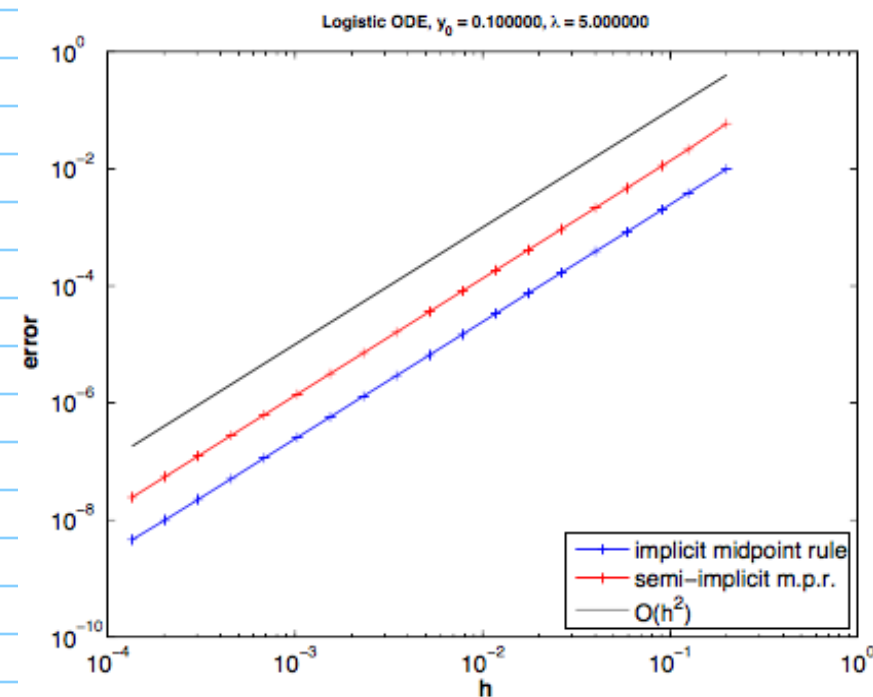
$$\dot{y} = 5y/(1-y)$$

$(*) \approx$  order 1

Semi-implicit midpoint method

Linearization  $\begin{cases} y_1 = y_0 + h f(\frac{1}{2}(y_0 + y_1)) \\ y_1 \approx y_0 + h [f(y_0) + \frac{1}{2} Df(y_0)(y_1 - y_0)] \end{cases}$

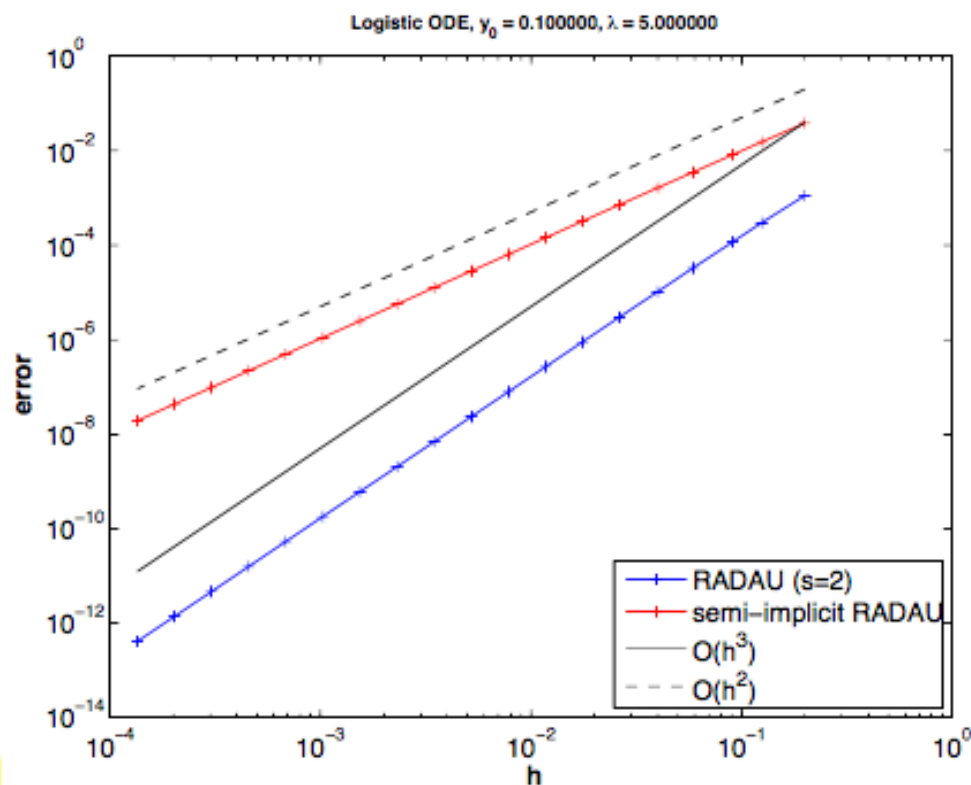
$$(1 - \frac{1}{2} h Df(y_0))(y_1 - y_0) = h f(y_0)$$



$\triangleright$  Order 2 preserved

Is one Newton step enough for all implicit RK-SSM?

NO!



▷ Loss of order

Good news: Fixed number of Newton steps is enough

Class of  $s$ -stage semi-implicit (linearly implicit) Runge-Kutta methods (Rosenbrock-Wanner (ROW) methods):

$$(I - h a_{ii} J) \mathbf{k}_i = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} (a_{ij} + d_{ij}) \mathbf{k}_j) - h J \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} d_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j, \quad J = D \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}_0), \quad (12.4.6)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_1 := \mathbf{y}_0 + \sum_{j=1}^s b_j \mathbf{k}_j.$$

Practice: Determine  $a_{ij}$ ,  $d_{ij}$ ,  $b_j$  from order conditions

From a 2015 paper:

$$\dot{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{F}(t, \mathbf{u}), \quad \mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{u}_0.$$

A Rosenbrock-Wanner (ROW) method with  $s$  internal stages can be formulated by

$$\mathbf{k}_i = \mathbf{F}\left(t_m + \alpha_i \tau_m, \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_i\right) + \tau_m J \sum_{j=1}^i \gamma_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j + \tau_m \gamma_i \partial_t \mathbf{F}(t_m, \mathbf{u}_m),$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_i = \mathbf{u}_m + \tau_m \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \alpha_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, s,$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{m+1} = \mathbf{u}_m + \tau_m \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_i,$$

where  $J := \partial_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{F}(t_m, \mathbf{u}_m)$  is the Jacobian of  $\mathbf{F}$  w.r.t.  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\alpha_{ij}$ ,  $\gamma_{ij}$ ,  $b_i$  are the parameters of the method, and

$$\alpha_i := \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \alpha_{ij}, \quad \gamma_i := \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \gamma_{ij}, \quad \gamma := \gamma_i > 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, s.$$

$$(A1) \sum_{i=1}^s b_i = 1$$

$$(A2) \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \beta_i = \frac{1}{2} - \gamma$$

$$(A3a) \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \alpha_i^2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$(A3b) \sum_{i,j=1}^s b_i \beta_{ij} \beta_j = \frac{1}{6} - \gamma + \gamma^2$$

$$(A4a) \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \alpha_i^3 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$(A4b) \sum_{i,j=1}^s b_i \alpha_i \alpha_{ij} \beta_j = \frac{1}{8} - \gamma/3$$

$$(A4c) \sum_{i,j=1}^s b_i \beta_{ij} \alpha_j^2 = \frac{1}{12} - \gamma/3$$

$$(A4d) \sum_{i,j,k=1}^s b_i \beta_{ij} \beta_{jk} \beta_k = \frac{1}{24} - \frac{1}{2} \gamma + \frac{3}{2} \gamma^2 - \gamma^3,$$

where we use the abbreviations  $\beta_{ij} := \alpha_{ij} + \gamma_{ij}$  and  $\beta_i := \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \beta_{ij}$ .

△ Conditions for order 4

Table 3  
Set of coefficients for ROS3PRL2 method.

$\gamma = 4.3586652150845900e-01$	
$\alpha_{21} = 1.3075995645253771e+00$	$\gamma_{21} = -1.3075995645253771e+00$
$\alpha_{31} = 5.0000000000000000e-01$	$\gamma_{31} = -7.0988575860972170e-01$
$\alpha_{32} = 5.0000000000000000e-01$	$\gamma_{32} = -5.5996735960277766e-01$
$\alpha_{41} = 5.0000000000000000e-01$	$\gamma_{41} = -1.5550856807552085e-01$
$\alpha_{42} = 5.0000000000000000e-01$	$\gamma_{42} = -9.5388516575112225e-01$
$\alpha_{43} = 0.0000000000000000e+00$	$\gamma_{43} = 6.7352721231818413e-01$
$b_1 = 3.4449143192447917e-01$	$\hat{b}_1 = 5.0000000000000000e-01$
$b_2 = -4.5388516575112231e-01$	$\hat{b}_2 = -2.5738812086522078e-01$
$b_3 = 6.7352721231818413e-01$	$\hat{b}_3 = 4.3542008724775044e-01$
$b_4 = 4.3586652150845900e-01$	$\hat{b}_4 = 3.2196803361747034e-01$

Order 3 ROW method,  
L-stable

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How to explore L-stability of a ROW method?

(i) Apply SSM to  $\dot{y} = \lambda y$  [  $f(y) = \lambda y$  ]

(ii) We get  $y_1 = S(\lambda h) y_0$

[ More general  $Q(\lambda h) y_1 = P(\lambda h) y_0$ ,  $P, Q$  polynomials ]

(iii) Verify  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} S(z) = 0$

(iv) Show  $\operatorname{Re} z < 0 \Rightarrow |S(z)| < 1$

Use Thm: If  $S$  rational, defined on  $\mathbb{C} \cup i\mathbb{R}$ ,  
 $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} S(z) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow |S(z)| < \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |S(it)| \text{ for all } z \in \mathbb{C}^-$$

Remark:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{y} &= \lambda y \\ y(h) &= e^{\lambda h} y(0) \\ \Downarrow \\ y_1 &= S(\lambda h) y_0 \end{aligned}$$

$y_0 = y(0)$

"ideal stability function"

For SSM:  $S(z) \sim e^z$  for  $|z| \ll 1$

SSM of order  $p$

$$\Rightarrow S(z) - e^z = O(|z|^{p+1}) \text{ for } z \rightarrow 0$$

Summary:

- Stiff IVP
- Stability induced timestep constraint
- A-stability & L-stability
- Methods: (semi-) implicit RK-SSM usually in embedded form

#### Remark 12.4.7 (Adaptive integrator for stiff problems in MATLAB)

A ROW method is the basis for the standard integrator that MATLAB offers for stiff problems:

Handle of type @ (t, y) J(t, y) to Jacobian  $Df: I \times D \mapsto \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$

```
opts = odeset('abstol', atol, 'reltol', rtol, 'Jacobian', J);
[t, y] = ode23s(odefun, tspan, y0, opts);
```

Stepsize control according to policy of Section 11.5:

$\Psi \triangleq$  RK-method of order 2  $\xrightarrow{\text{ode23s}}$   $\tilde{\Psi} \triangleq$  RK-method of order 3  
 integrator for stiff IVP

