

Math 478/578 Midterm Spring '25, Take-home Part

1. (5 points)

- (a) Find the local truncation error of the implicit midpoint rule, which is given by Eq. (1.12) in the textbook by Iserles.
- (b) Prove the convergence of the midpoint rule method.

2. (5 points)

Derive, in detail, the three-step Adams-Bashforth method.

3. (20 points, Computer Problem)

Consider the following system of differential equations

$$y_1' = -2y_1 + y_2 + 2 \sin t, \tag{1}$$

$$y_2' = -1.999y_1 + 0.999y_2 + 0.999(\sin t - \cos t). \tag{2}$$

Write a program which solves the initial value problem (1) and (2) with the initial condition $(y_1(0), y_2(0)) = (2, 3.999)$ by the 2-step Adams-Bashforth method and the trapezoidal rule. Plot the solutions against the exact solutions on the same graph for each method on the time interval $[0, 5]$. What's the largest time step you can choose for each method to ensure the relative error at $t = 5$ is less than 0.01%? Also plot the error as function of time for each method for these time-step sizes. The exact solution to the problem is $y_1 = e^{-t} + e^{-0.001t} + \sin t$, $y_2 = e^{-t} + 1.999e^{-0.001t} + \cos t$.

Computer programming requirement: make sure your programs are correct, accurate and efficient.