

1. Prove that Heun's method has order 2 with respect to  $h$ .

[Hint: notice that  $h\tau_{n+1} = y_{n+1} - y_n - h\Phi(t_n, y_n; h) = E_1 + E_2$ , where

$$E_1 = \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(s, y(s)) ds - \frac{h}{2} [f(t_n, y_n) + f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1})]$$

and

$$E_2 = \frac{h}{2} \{ [f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) - f(t_{n+1}, y_n + hf(t_n, y_n))] \},$$

where  $E_1$  is the error due to numerical integration with the trapezoidal method and  $E_2$  can be bounded by the error due to using the forward Euler method.]

$$h\tau_{n+1} = y_{n+1} - y_n - h\Phi(t_n, y_n; h)$$

$$= \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(s, y(s)) ds - \left[ \frac{h}{2} (f(t_n, y_n) + f(t_{n+1}, y_n + hf(t_n, y_n))) \right]$$

$$= \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(s, y(s)) ds - \frac{h}{2} [f(t_n, y_n) + f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1})] + \frac{h}{2} [f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) - f(t_{n+1}, y_n + hf(t_n, y_n))]$$

$$\text{let } f(s, y(s)) = g(s).$$

$$\text{let } g(s) = g(t_n) + g'(t_n)(s - t_n) + \frac{g''(\xi_n)}{2!}(s - t_n)^2 + \frac{g'''(\xi_n)}{3!}(s - t_n)^3, \text{ where } \xi_n \in (t_n, t_{n+1}).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(s, y(s)) ds &= \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} g(s) ds \\ &= \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} g(t_n) + g'(t_n)(s - t_n) + \frac{g''(\xi_n)}{2!}(s - t_n)^2 ds \\ &= g(t_n) \cdot s + g'(t_n) \frac{(s - t_n)^2}{2} + g''(\xi_n) \frac{(s - t_n)^3}{6} \Big|_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} \\ &= g(t_n) \cdot h + g'(t_n) \cdot \frac{h^2}{2} + g''(\xi_n) \frac{h^3}{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since } f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) = g(t_{n+1}) = g(t_n) + g'(t_n) \cdot h + g''(\xi_1) \cdot \frac{h^2}{2},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we have } \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(s, y(s)) ds - \frac{h}{2} [f(t_n, y_n) + f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1})] \\ &= g(t_n) \cdot h + g'(t_n) \cdot \frac{h^2}{2} + g''(\xi_n) \frac{h^3}{6} - \frac{h}{2} g(t_n) - \frac{h}{2} \cdot (g(t_n) + g'(t_n) \cdot h + g''(\xi_1) \cdot \frac{h^2}{2}) \\ &= g''(\xi_n) \cdot \frac{h^3}{6} - g''(\xi_1) \cdot \frac{h^3}{2} = O(h^3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Since } |f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) - f(t_{n+1}, y_n + hf(t_n, y_n))| \leq L |y_{n+1} - y_n - hf(t_n, y_n)|,$$

$$\text{by forward Euler method, } |y_{n+1} - y_n - hf(t_n, y_n)| = O(h^2)$$

$$\text{Thus } E_2 = \frac{h}{2} |f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) - f(t_{n+1}, y_n + hf(t_n, y_n))| = O(h^3)$$

$$\text{Since } h\tau_{n+1} = E_1 + E_2 = O(h^3), \tau_{n+1} = O(h^2).$$

$$\text{By the def. of global truncation error, } \tau = \max_{0 \leq n \leq N-1} |\tau_{n+1}|.$$

$$\tau \text{ is also equal to } O(h^2). \text{ Therefore, Heun's method has order 2 with respect to } h.$$

2. Prove that the Crank-Nicolson method has order 2 with respect to  $h$ .

[Solution: using (9.12) we get, for a suitable  $\xi_n$  in  $(t_n, t_{n+1})$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2} [f(t_n, y_n) + f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1})] - \frac{h^3}{12} f''(\xi_n, y(\xi_n))$$

or, equivalently,

$$\frac{y_{n+1} - y_n}{h} = \frac{1}{2} [f(t_n, y_n) + f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1})] - \frac{h^2}{12} f''(\xi_n, y(\xi_n)). \quad (11.90)$$

Therefore, relation (11.9) coincides with (11.90) up to an infinitesimal of order 2 with respect to  $h$ , provided that  $f \in C^2(I)$ .]

$$\text{let } \tau_{n+1}(h) = y(t_{n+1}) - y(t_n) - \frac{h}{2} (f(t_n, y(t_n)) + f(t_{n+1}, y(t_{n+1})))$$

$$\text{let } f(s, y(s)) = g(s).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \tau_{n+1}(h) &= y(t_{n+1}) - y(t_n) - \frac{h}{2} (g(t_n) + g(t_{n+1})) \\ &= \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} g(s) ds - \frac{h}{2} (g(t_n) + g(t_{n+1})) \\ &= -\frac{h^3}{12} g'(\xi_n) = -\frac{h^3}{12} f'(\xi_n, y(\xi_n)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } \tau_{n+1}(h) = O(h^2).$$

$$\text{By the def. of global truncation error, } \tau = \max_{0 \leq n \leq N_h-1} |\tau_{n+1}|.$$

$\tau$  is also equal to  $O(h^2)$ . Therefore, Crank-Nicolson method has order 2 with respect to  $h$ .