

Chapter 1

System of IVPs

1.1 Runge-Kutta Order 4

Problem 1.1. Consider the 2nd order IVP

$$y'' - 2y' + 2y = e^{2t} \sin t; \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1$$

with $y(0) = -0.4$, $y'(0) = -0.6$.

Solution. Let $u_1(t) = y(t)$
and $y'(t) = u_1'(t) = u_2(t)$
 $\therefore y''(t) = u_1''(t) = u_2'(t)$

$$\text{So, } u_1'(t) = \frac{d u_1}{d t} = u_2(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_2'(t) - 2u_2(t) + 2u_1(t) &= e^{2t} \sin t \\ \Rightarrow u_2'(t) &= 2u_2(t) - 2u_1(t) + e^{2t} \sin t \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= u_1' = \frac{d u_1}{d t} = u_2 \\ \Rightarrow u_1' &= f_1(t, u_1, u_2) \\ u_2' &= \frac{d u_2}{d t} = e^{2t} \sin t - 2u_1 + 2u_2 \\ \Rightarrow u_2' &= f_2(t, u_1, u_2) \end{aligned}$$

with $u_1(0) = -0.4 \Rightarrow u_1^0 = -0.4$ and $u_2(0) = -0.6 \Rightarrow u_2^0 = -0.6$

Using 4th order Runge-Kutta with $h = 0.1$,

$$\begin{aligned} k_1 &= h f_1(t_0, u_1^0, u_2^0) \\ &= 0.1 f_1(0, -0.4, -0.6) \\ &= 0.1 \times [(-0.6)] \\ &= -0.06 \\ l_1 &= h f_2(t_0, u_1^0, u_2^0) \\ &= 0.1 f_2(0, -0.4, -0.6) \\ &= 0.1 \times [e^{2 \times 0} \sin 0 - 2 \times (-0.4) + 2 \times (-0.6)] \\ &= -0.04 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
k_2 &= hf_1 \left(t_0 + \frac{h}{2}, u_1^0 + \frac{k_1}{2}, u_2^0 + \frac{l_1}{2} \right) \\
&= hf_1 \left(0 + \frac{0.1}{2}, -0.4 + \frac{-0.06}{2}, -0.6 + \frac{-0.04}{2} \right) \\
&= hf_1 \left(\frac{0.1}{2}, -0.4 - \frac{0.06}{2}, -0.6 - \frac{0.04}{2} \right) \\
&= h \left(-0.6 - \frac{0.04}{2} \right) \\
&= -0.062 \\
l_2 &= hf_2 \left(t_0 + \frac{h}{2}, u_1^0 + \frac{k_1}{2}, u_2^0 + \frac{l_1}{2} \right) \\
&= hf_2 \left(0.05, -0.4 + \frac{-0.06}{2}, -0.6 + \frac{-0.04}{2} \right) \\
&= hf_2 (0.05, -0.43, -0.62) \\
&= 0.1 \times \left[e^{2 \times 0.05} \sin(0.05) - 2 \times (-0.43) + 2 \times (-0.62) \right] \\
&= -0.032476
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
k_3 &= hf_1 \left(t_0 + \frac{h}{2}, u_1^0 + \frac{k_2}{2}, u_2^0 + \frac{l_2}{2} \right) \\
&= hf_1 \left(0.05, -0.4 + \frac{-0.062}{2}, -0.6 + \frac{-0.032476}{2} \right) \\
&= h \left(-0.6 - \frac{0.032476}{2} \right) \\
&= -0.06162381 \\
l_3 &= hf_2 \left(t_0 + \frac{h}{2}, u_1^0 + \frac{k_2}{2}, u_2^0 + \frac{l_2}{2} \right) \\
&= hf_2 \left(0.05, -0.4 + \frac{-0.062}{2}, -0.6 + \frac{-0.032476}{2} \right) \\
&= hf_2 (0.05, -0.431, -0.616238) \\
&= 0.1 \times \left[e^{2 \times 0.05} \sin(0.05) - 2 \times (-0.431) + 2 \times (-0.616238) \right] \\
&= -0.03152409
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
k_4 &= hf_1 (t_0 + h, u_1^0 + k_3, u_2^0 + l_3) \\
&= hf_1 (0 + 0.1, -0.4 - 0.06162381, -0.6 - 0.03152409) \\
&= h (-0.6 - 0.03152409) \\
&= -0.063152409 \\
l_4 &= hf_2 (t_0 + h, u_1^0 + k_3, u_2^0 + l_3) \\
&= hf_2 (0.1, -0.46162381, -0.63152409) \\
&= 0.1 \times \left[e^{2 \times 0.1} \sin(0.1) - 2 \times (-0.46162381) + 2 \times (-0.63152409) \right] \\
&= -0.02178637
\end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}
u_1^1 &= u_1^0 + \frac{1}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4) = -0.4617333 \\
u_2^1 &= u_2^0 + \frac{1}{6}(l_1 + 2l_2 + 2l_3 + l_4) = -0.63163124
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$u_1^1 = y(0.1) = -0.4617333$$

and

$$u_2^1 = y'(0.1) = -0.63163124$$

Actual Solution: $y(t) = 0.2e^{2t}(\sin t - 2 \cos t)$

$$\begin{aligned} \# \quad \frac{dy}{dt} &= f(t, y); \quad y(t_0) = y_0 \\ \text{RK4: } k_1 &= hf(t_i, y_i), \quad k_2 = hf\left(t_i + \frac{h}{2}, y_i + \frac{k_1}{2}\right), \quad k_3 = hf\left(t_i + \frac{h}{2}, y_i + \frac{k_2}{2}\right), \quad k_4 = hf(t_{i+1}, y_i + k_3) \\ \therefore y_{i+1} &= y_i + \frac{1}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{du_1}{dt} &= f(t, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m) \\ \frac{du_2}{dt} &= f(t, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m) \\ &\vdots \\ \frac{du_m}{dt} &= f(t, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m) \end{aligned}$$

for $a \leq t \leq b$ with initial condition [Here $a = t_0$].

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(a) &= \alpha_1, \quad u_2(a) = \alpha_2, \quad \dots, \quad u_m(a) = \alpha_m \\ \Rightarrow u_1^0 &= \alpha_1, \quad u_2^0 = \alpha_2, \quad \dots, \quad u_m^0 = \alpha_m^1 \end{aligned}$$

Consider, $u_1^j, u_2^j, \dots, u_m^j$ have been computed. We obtain, $u_1^{j+1}, u_2^{j+1}, \dots, u_m^{j+1}$ by first calculating

$$\begin{aligned} k_{1,i} &= hf_i(t_i, u_1^j, u_2^j, \dots, u_m^j) && \text{for each } i = 1, 2, \dots, m \\ k_{2,i} &= hf_i\left(t_i + \frac{h}{2}, u_1^j + \frac{k_{1,1}}{2}, u_2^j + \frac{k_{1,2}}{2}, \dots, u_m^j + \frac{k_{1,m}}{2}\right) && \text{for each } i = 1, 2, \dots, m \\ k_{3,i} &= hf_i\left(t_i + \frac{h}{2}, u_1^j + \frac{k_{2,1}}{2}, u_2^j + \frac{k_{2,2}}{2}, \dots, u_m^j + \frac{k_{2,m}}{2}\right) && \text{for each } i = 1, 2, \dots, m \\ k_{4,i} &= hf_i(t_i + h, u_1^j + k_{3,1}, u_2^j + k_{3,2}, \dots, u_m^j + k_{3,m}) && \text{for each } i = 1, 2, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

and then

$$u_i^{j+1} = u_i^j + \frac{1}{6}(k_{1,i} + 2k_{2,i} + 2k_{3,i} + k_{4,i}) \quad \text{for each } i = 1, 2, \dots, m \text{ and } j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Note. $k_{1,1}, k_{1,2}, k_{1,3}, \dots, k_{1,m}$ must be computed before any of the terms of the form $k_{2,1}, k_{2,2}, k_{2,3}, \dots, k_{2,m}$ i.e., $k_{2,i}$. In general, each $k_{l,1}, k_{l,2}, k_{l,3}, \dots, k_{l,m}$ must be computed before any of the expressions $k_{l+1,i}$.

¹ $u_1(a) = \alpha_1$
 $\Rightarrow u_1(t_0) = \alpha_1$
 $\Rightarrow u_1^0 = \alpha_1$