

Adams Methods Formulas

The following are formulas for some of the explicit Adams–Bashforth and implicit Adams–Moulton methods. In the tables, $f_n = f(t_n, y_n)$, $f_{n-1} = f(t_{n-1}, y_{n-1})$, etc., and, in each formula, ξ_n is some point between the smallest t -value in the formula and t_{n+1} (of course, ξ_n is generally different in different formulas).

Adams–Bashforth methods.

| Order | Method | Local Error |
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| 1 | $y_{n+1} = y_n + hf_n$ (Forward Euler) | $\frac{1}{2}h^2y''(\xi_n)$ |
| 2 | $y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2}[3f_n - f_{n-1}]$ | $\frac{5}{12}h^3y^{(3)}(\xi_n)$ |
| 3 | $y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{12}[23f_n - 16f_{n-1} + 5f_{n-2}]$ | $\frac{3}{8}h^4y^{(4)}(\xi_n)$ |
| 4 | $y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{24}[55f_n - 59f_{n-1} + 37f_{n-2} - 9f_{n-3}]$ | $\frac{251}{720}h^5y^{(5)}(\xi_n)$ |

Adams–Moulton methods.

| Order | Method | Local Error |
|-------|---|------------------------------------|
| 1 | $y_{n+1} = y_n + hf_{n+1}$ (Backward Euler) | $-\frac{1}{2}h^2y''(\xi_n)$ |
| 2 | $y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2}[f_{n+1} + f_n]$ (Trapezoidal) | $-\frac{1}{12}h^3y^{(3)}(\xi_n)$ |
| 3 | $y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{12}[5f_{n+1} + 8f_n - f_{n-1}]$ | $-\frac{1}{24}h^4y^{(4)}(\xi_n)$ |
| 4 | $y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{24}[9f_{n+1} + 19f_n - 5f_{n-1} + f_{n-2}]$ | $-\frac{19}{720}h^5y^{(5)}(\xi_n)$ |