

# MA 555 - Numerical Analysis

## Assignment # 6

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### Problem 1

We aim to numerically solve the IVP  $yy' = 1$ ,  $y(0) = 1$  using three methods.

Euler Explicit

$$\begin{aligned} yy' &= 1 \\ y' &= \frac{1}{y} \\ y_1 &= y_0 + \left(\frac{1}{y_0}\right)\tau = 1 + \tau \end{aligned}$$

Euler Implicit

$$y_1 = y_0 + \left(\frac{1}{y_1}\right)\tau = \frac{\tau}{1 + \tau}$$

Predictor-Corrector

$$\begin{aligned} k_1 &= \frac{1}{y_0} \\ k_2 &= \frac{1}{y_0 + k_1\tau} \\ y_1 &= y_0 + \frac{\tau}{2}\left(1 + \frac{1}{1 + \tau}\right) = 1 + \frac{2\tau + \tau^2}{2(1 + \tau)} \end{aligned}$$

### Problem 2

Applying one iteration of Euler Explicit to the given system,  $\tau = 0.1$ , gives

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= y_0 + y'\tau \\ y_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \tau \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ y_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 3**

Solving the second order system using Euler Explicit.  $y'' = -y$ ,  $y(0) = 1$ ,  $y'(0) = 0$  goes as follows.

$$y_1 = y_0 + y' \tau$$

$$y_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \tau \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can analyze its stability by looking at the eigenvalues of the matrix representing the differential equation.

$$\left| \begin{bmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ -1 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} \right| = 0$$

From which we see  $\lambda = \pm i$ . The solution to this system goes as  $|1 - \lambda\tau|$ .

$$|1 - \lambda\tau| = \sqrt{1 + \tau^2} > 1$$

Which implies instability.

**Problem 4**

I'm not entirely sure how to do this problem, but here is my best guess. For the IVP  $y' = -y$ ,  $y(0) = 1$  we are given  $2\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 = 1$ . We can write this system as a matrix

$$y_1' = \tau \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The eigenvalues of this matrix are  $\lambda_1 = \alpha_1$ ,  $\lambda_{2,3} = \alpha_0$ . If it's still true that  $|1 - \lambda\tau| < 1$ , then We must restrict  $\alpha$  (since no restriction on  $\tau$  is imposed). From this we see that  $\alpha$  must be less than 1 but greater than 0.

**Problem 5**

We apply the classical RK method to the IVP  $y' = -\lambda y$ , the solution of which is actually  $y(t) = e^{-\lambda t}$ . After much algebra we can see that using the RK4 method gets us

$$y_1 = y_0 - \lambda\tau + \frac{1}{2}\tau^2\lambda^2 - \frac{1}{6}\tau^3\lambda^3 + \frac{1}{24}\tau^4\lambda^4$$

Which is the Taylor series of the actual solution up to the fourth term. In terms of stability the linear term dominates, meaning

$$|y_0 - \lambda\tau| < 1$$

Since  $y_0 = 1$ ,  $\lambda\tau < 2$  for stability (assuming both are  $> 0$ ). In other words,  $\tau < \frac{2}{\lambda}$ .

### Problem 6

We apply the explicit predictor-corrector method to the IVP  $y' = -\lambda y$ , the solution of which is  $y(t) = e^{-\lambda t}$ .

$$y_1 = y_0 + \tau(\alpha y'_0 + \beta(\tau y''_0 + \frac{1}{2}\tau^2 y'''_0))$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + \tau\alpha y'_0 + \tau\beta(\tau y''_0 + \frac{1}{2}\tau^2 y'''_0)$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + \tau\alpha y'_0 + \tau^2\beta y''_0 + \frac{1}{2}\tau^3 y'''_0$$

From matching the Taylor series we can see that  $\alpha = -1$ ,  $\beta = \frac{1}{2}$ , although we can never eliminate the third term (unless I've made an error.) Again, the linear term governs stability.

$$|y_0 - \lambda\tau| < 1$$

Since  $y_0 = 1$ ,  $\lambda\tau < 2$  for stability (assuming both are  $> 0$ ). In other words,  $\tau < \frac{2}{\lambda}$ , making the stability conditional.

### Problem 7

We attempt to approximate the IVP  $y' = -y$  with a multistep method, the characteristic equation for which is

$$z^2 + 2\tau z - y_0 = 0$$

Solving for  $z$ , we see that

$$z = \frac{-2\tau \pm \sqrt{4(\tau^2 + 1)}}{2}$$

$$z = -\tau \pm \sqrt{\tau^2 + 1}$$

In order for this to be stable,  $|z| < 1$ . It is clear that this is impossible because  $|- \tau - \sqrt{\tau^2 + 1}| > 1$  for any  $\tau$ . Therefore this approximation is not stable.

### Problem 8

In approximating  $y'' = -y$ , we will use a solution whose characteristic equation is

$$z^2 + (\tau - 2)z + 1 = 0$$

Solving for  $z$ , we see that

$$z = \frac{2 - \tau \pm \sqrt{(\tau - 2)^2 - 4}}{2}$$

In order for this to be stable, the discriminant  $(\tau - 2)^2 - 4$  must be negative (make  $z$  complex). In order for that to happen,  $0 < \tau < 2$ .