

1 ▶ Order of implicit methods

For autonomous IVPs, find and prove the consistency order of the implicit midpoint rule given by the table $\frac{-1/2 \mid 1/2}{\mid 1}$.

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2 ► Implementation of implicit RK methods

(a) Write a function z = newton(F,dF,z0,atol,maxiter) which implements Newton's method

$$DF(\mathbf{z}^k)\Delta\mathbf{z}^k = -F(\mathbf{z}^k), \quad \mathbf{z}^{k+1} = \mathbf{z}^k + \Delta\mathbf{z}^k,$$

starting from \mathbf{z}^0 , and terminating after maxiter steps, or when the criterion

$$\frac{\theta^k}{1-\theta^k}\|\Delta\mathbf{z}^k\| \leq \mathtt{atol}, \quad \theta^k = \|\Delta\mathbf{z}^k\|/\|\Delta\mathbf{z}^{k-1}\|$$

is satisfied (set $\theta_1 = 1$). If you find this boring you might download the method from the homepage.

(b) Implement the implicit trapezoidal rule $\begin{array}{c|cccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ \hline & 1/2 & 1/2 \end{array}$ as a MATLAB function.

It could have the syntax [t,y] = itrapez(f,tspan,y0,N,fjac,atol,maxiter). Here fjac(t,y) should be the Jacobian of $y \mapsto f(t,y)$.

For a general implicit RK method at iterate \mathbf{y}_n , let $G \colon \mathbb{R}^{ds} \to \mathbb{R}^{ds}$ be given by

$$G(\mathbf{z}) = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{j=1}^{s} a_{1j} f(t + c_j h, \mathbf{y}_n + \mathbf{z}_j) \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{j=1}^{s} a_{sj} f(t + c_j h, \mathbf{y}_n + \mathbf{z}_j) \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{ds}, \quad \mathbf{z} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{z}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{z}_s \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{ds}.$$

The Newton method from (a) has to be called to solve for $F(\mathbf{z}) = \mathbf{z} - hG(\mathbf{y}_n, \mathbf{z}) = 0$ using $\mathbf{z}^0 = 0$ as a starting value.¹ The next step then is

$$\mathbf{y}_{n+1} = \mathbf{y}_n + h \sum_{j=1}^s b_j f(t + c_j h, \mathbf{y}_n + \mathbf{z}_j).$$

(c) Consider an interaction of three species modelled by

$$\mathbf{y}' = f(t, \mathbf{y}) = \begin{pmatrix} -0.04y_1 + 10^4 y_2 y_3 \\ 0.04y_1 - 10^4 y_2 y_3 - 3 \cdot 10^7 y_2^2 \\ 3 \cdot 10^7 y_2^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (i) Plot the solution component y_2 you obtain with itrapez on the time interval [0,0.3] using N=20,50,100,200 for atol $=10^{-4}$ and 10^{-6} (use maxiter =10). Compare to the explicit Runge-Kutta method for these values of N.
- (ii) Now call the explicit ode45 and the implicit ode23s from MATLAB, which both have a step size control. Try ode45(f,[0,0.3],[1 0 0]',odeset('Stats','on')), ode23s(f,[0,0.3],[1 0 0]',odeset('Stats','on')), and ode23s(f,[0,0.3],[1 0 0]',odeset('Stats','on','Jacobian',fjac)) (where fjac should be the function handle of the Jacobian). Have a look on the number of steps sizes and number of rejected steps.

¹In case of the implicit trapezoidal rule, if tn and yn are the current values, this amounts in, e.g., passing the following two function handles to the Newton method:

F = @(z) z - h*[zeros(d,1); f(tn,yn + z(1:d))/2 + f(tn + h,yn + z(d+1:2*d))/2]; dF = @(z) eye(2*d) - h*[zeros(d,2*d); fjac(tn,yn + z(1:d))/2, fjac(tn + h,yn + z(d+1:2*d))/2];

3 ► Stability of rational approximation

Assume the linear ODE

$$\mathbf{y}' = A\mathbf{y}$$

is stable. For a rational approximation S of the exponential function of consistency order p show the following: If the characteristic step size h_c is positive, then there exists C>0 such that

$$\|\exp(nhA) - S(hA)^n\| \le Ch^p$$
 for all $0 < h < h_c$.