

Runge-Kutta Method

Next, we only consider the system is scalar ODE since we can extend it to high dimension by applying components-wise. And hence y_k is time instance

Condition: $y'(t) = f(t, y(t))$, $t_1 \leq t \leq T$.
IVP: $y(t_0) = y_0$.

c) Euler method:

① Explicit Euler method:

Take one step: $y_1 = y_0 + h f(t_0, y_0)$. i.e.

choose the slope at starting point.

Algorithm: $h = (T - t_1) / \nu$. $t_{k+1} = t_k + h$.

$$y_{k+1} = y_k + h f(t_k, y_k).$$

② Implicit Euler method:

Take one step: $y_1 = y_0 + h f(t_1, y_1)$. i.e.

the slope is of ending point. then

We also need to solve ODE y' .

Algorithm: $h = (T - t_1)/N$. $t_{k+1} = t_k + h$.

$$y_{k+1} = y_k + f(t_k + h, y_{k+1})$$

Remark: i) Choose which method also depend on whether it's easy to solve y_{k+1}

ii) We can apply Newton's method to find y_{k+1} as root of $y_{k+1} - y_k - f(\square) = 0$

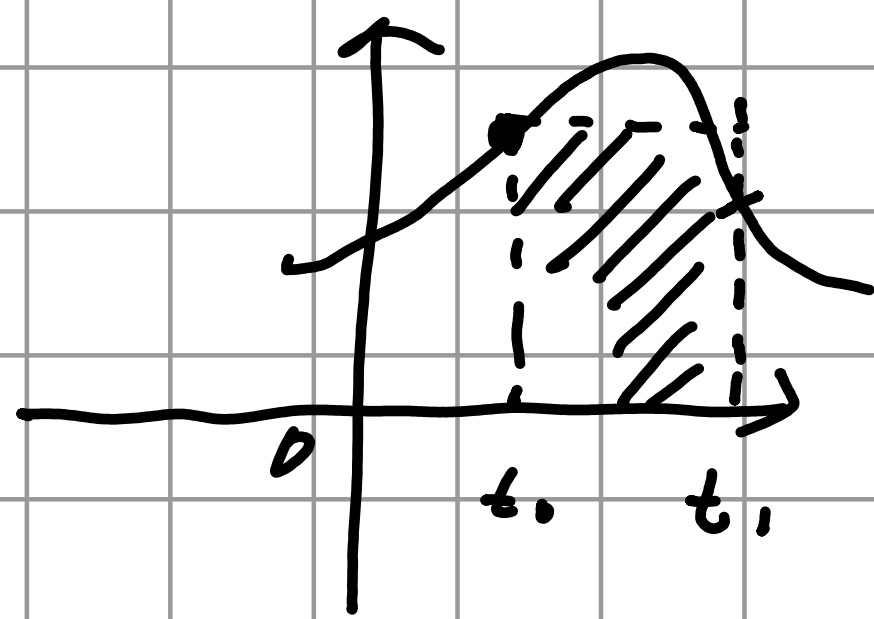
→ Runge-Kutta Scheme:

Note IVP $\Leftrightarrow y(t_1) = y_0 + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} f(t, y(t)) dt$

So: the idea is to evaluate the integral

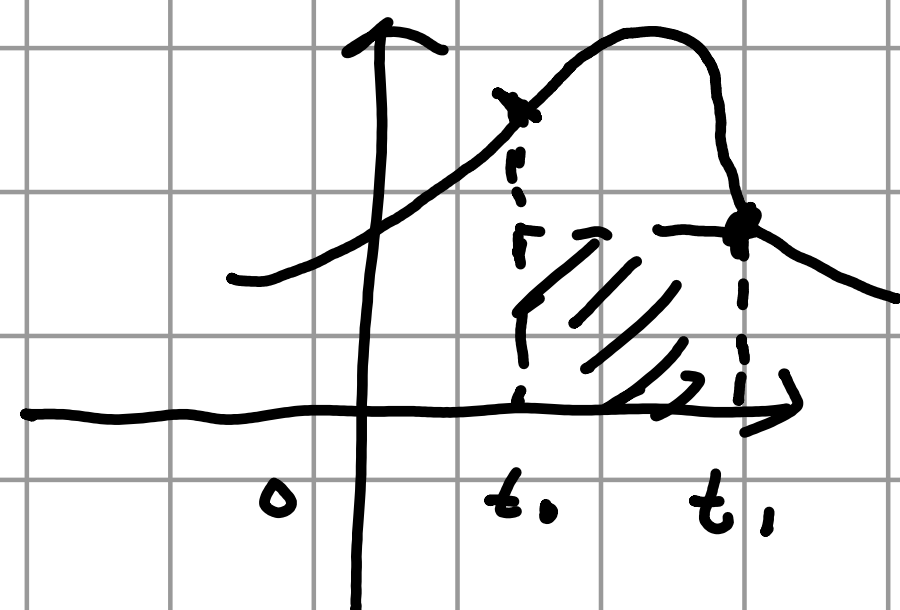
eg i) Explicit Euler:

replace $f(t, y(t))$ by $f(t_0, y_0)$ for integrand.



ii) Implicit Euler:

replace $f(t, y(t))$ by $f(t_1, y(t_1))$



Remark: The area $(\int_{t_0}^{t_1} f(t, y(t)) dt)$ is

quite different with Δt !

iii) (Implicit Trapezoidal)

$$y_1 = y_0 + \frac{h}{2} [f(t_0, y_0) + f(t_1, y_1)].$$

iv) (Heun / explicit Trapezoidal)

To modify above, we replace y_1 by

$$\hat{y}_1 = y_0 + h f(t_0, y_0) \text{ with}$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + \frac{h}{2} [f(t_0, y_0) + f(t_1, \hat{y}_1)].$$

$\Rightarrow$ Consider general quadrature formula on $[0, 1]$ with s nodes $\{\hat{c}_i\}_{i=1}^s$ (pt. to be evaluated) and corresp weights

$$\{\hat{w}_i\}_{i=1}^s : \int_0^1 g(s) ds \approx \sum_{i=1}^s g(\hat{c}_i) \hat{w}_i.$$

Apply on the IVP. rewrite $\int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} f(s, y(s)) ds$
 $= \int_0^1 h f(t_n + sh, y(t_n + sh)) ds.$

$$\approx \sum_{i=1}^s h \hat{w}_i f(t_n + \hat{c}_i h, y(t_n + \hat{c}_i h)).$$

Def: For $b_i, \alpha_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$, $i, j = 1, \dots, r$, $c_i = \sum_{j=1}^r \alpha_{ij}$

$$k_i = f(t_n + c_i h, y_n + h \sum_{j=1}^r \alpha_{ij} k_j), \quad i = 1, \dots, r.$$

$y_{n+1} = y_n + h \sum_{i=1}^r b_i k_i$. Defines ~ RK
one-step method with r stages for
solving IVP.

Rmk: Write in Butcher-tableau:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \underline{c} & \underline{A} \\ \hline & \underline{B} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c|ccc} c_1 & a_{11} & \dots & a_{1r} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ c_r & a_{r1} & \dots & a_{rr} \\ \hline & b_1 & \dots & b_r \end{array}$$

e.g. i) explicit RK scheme:

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} c_1 & 0 & & 0 \\ \vdots & a_{11} & & \\ c_r & a_{r1} & \dots & a_{rr} \\ \hline & b_1 & \dots & b_r \end{array}$$

Rmk: if diagonal elements are
not = 0. then we call it
DIRK. i.e. diagonal-implicit
RK method.

ii) explicit Euler: $r=1$ $\begin{array}{c|c} 0 & 0 \\ \hline & 1 \end{array}$

iii) implicit Euler: $r=1$ $\begin{array}{c|c} 1 & 1 \\ \hline & 1 \end{array}$

iv) Classical RK / RK4: $\begin{array}{c|cccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} \end{array}$

Remark: It's generalization of the Euler method. $\{b_i\}, \{k_i\}$ are like some weights.

(3) Discretization error:

Def: i) Global discretization error is $\underline{\epsilon}_h(t_n)$
 $= y(t_n) - y_n, n=1, \dots, N. (y_n \text{ is } n^{\text{th}} \text{ est.})$

Remark: $\underline{\epsilon}_h(t_n)$ is error accumulated until $t = t_n$. And we care

i) $\| \underline{\epsilon}_h(T) \| = \| y(T) - y_N \|$

ii) $\max_{k=1, \dots, N} \| \underline{\epsilon}_h(t_k) \|$.

iii) A method is called convergent of order p if $\max_{0 \leq k \leq N} \| \underline{\epsilon}_h(t_k) \| = O(h^p)$.

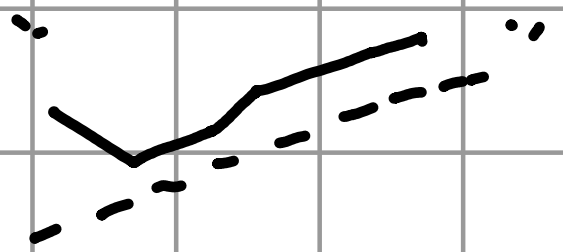
Remark. i) Euler method $\sim O(h)$

Runge $\sim O(h^2)$.

RK4 $\sim O(h^4)$.

(*) Order depend on slope.

ii) We can also run the convergence test (*) to find them

by using loglog plot. Sometimes inconsistency  in plot occurs which is from computational error.

iii) One step error / local discret. error for a RK scheme is $\underline{\epsilon}_{n+1} = y(t_{n+1}) - \tilde{y}_{n+1}$.
 where $\tilde{y}_{n+1} = y(t_n) + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \underline{k}_i$ and $\underline{k}_i = f(t_n + c_i h, y(t_n) + h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} \underline{k}_j)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, s$.
Remark: We use the exact value $y(t_n)$ rather than y_n because we only care error of one-step and avoid accumulations of error.

e.g., (explicit Euler)

$$|\underline{\epsilon}_n(t_n)| = O(h), \quad |\underline{\epsilon}_1| = O(h^2).$$

$$\underline{\text{Remark}}: \underline{\epsilon}_n(t_1) = \underline{\epsilon}_1 \text{ at 1}^{st} \text{ step.}$$

iv) Truncation error is: $\underline{\tau}_{n+1} = \underline{\epsilon}_{n+1} / h$

$$= \frac{y(t_{n+1}) - y(t_n)}{h} - \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \underline{k}_i.$$

Rmk: $\eta(t_n)$ is used to compute k_i

v) A RK method is consistent if

$\max_{0 \leq k \leq N} \|\underline{z}_k\| \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow 0} 0$. it's of order p if

$$\max_k \|\underline{z}_k\| = O(h^p)$$

Rmk: Other references might use

different defs for local error
/ one step error / truncation error

The difference is whether to
divide h .

eg. Explicit Euler is consistent
of order $O(h)$.

Rmk: We use one-step method above:

$$\text{i.e. } y_0 \rightarrow y_1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow y_k \rightarrow \dots$$

There's also linear multilinear method

$$\text{i.e. } y_0 \rightarrow y_1 \rightarrow y_2 \rightarrow y_3 \dots$$


"RK scheme" belongs to one-step method.

(4) Consistency order for RK:

Next, we consider f is smooth, $y(t) \in \mathbb{R}'$.

RM2: If f isn't regular enough, then the convergence may fail.

1') Apply Taylor expansion on $y(t)$:

$$y'(t) = f(t, y(t))$$

$$y''(t) = \frac{d}{dt} f(t, y(t)) = (f_t + f_x f)(t, y(t)).$$

$$J_1: y(t) = y(t_k) + f(t_k, y(t_k))h + \frac{1}{2}h^2 (f_t + f_x f)(t_k, y(t_k)) + O(h^3).$$

where $h = t - t_k$.

Ex. (Explicit Euler: Consistency order 1)

From above, let $t = t_{k+1}$. We get

$$y_{k+1} = \frac{1}{2}h^2 y''(t_k) + O(h^3). \text{ where}$$

$y''(t_k) \neq 0$ generally (That's why

we compute $y''(t)$).

$$J_1: \max_k |y_{k+1}| \leq \frac{1}{2}h^2 \max_{t \in [t_0, T]} |y''(t)|.$$

2) target: choose a_{ij}, b_i, c_i st. it has p -order consistency.

$$\text{Note } Z_{n+1} = \frac{y(t_{n+1}) - y(t_n)}{h} = \sum_{i=1}^s b_i k_i.$$

i) To be consistent ($Z_n(h) \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow 0} 0$):

Recall Taylor expansion on $y(t)$. We

$$\text{need: } \sum b_i k_i = f(t_n, y(t_n)) + O(h).$$

$$\text{Expand } k_i = f(t_n, y(t_n)) + f_t(t_n, y(t_n)) c_i h + f_x(t_n, y(t_n)) h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} k_j + O(h^2).$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_i b_i = 1$$

ii) To be consistent of order two:

$$\text{We need: } \sum b_i k_i = f(t_n, y(t_n)) + \frac{1}{2} h \cdot$$

$$(f_t + f_x f)(t_n, y(t_n)) + O(h^2).$$

e.g. Explicit method with 2 stages:

$$s=2, \quad a_{11} = a_{12} = a_{22} = 0.$$

Plug the expansions of k_i in the equation above. We have:

$$b_1 + b_2 = 1, \quad c_2 b_2 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad a_{21} b_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

Remark: One choice of a_{ij}, c_i, b_i is
Heun's method.

Butcher barriers for explicit RK method:

convergence order p	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
min # stages	1	2	3	4	6	7	9

Remark: $p \leq 5$.

Why high order?

Assume: i) $[t_1, T] = [0, 1]$.

ii) Step length $h \Rightarrow \frac{1}{h}$ times step

iii) Each step error of size h^{p+1} .

Ok error won't amplify but only add up.

iv) Computer isn't exact, having some error up to 10^{-m} .

$\Rightarrow$ error $\approx$ #step $\times$ error in each step

$$\approx \frac{1}{h} (h^{p+1} + 10^{-m}) = h^p + \frac{10^{-m}}{h}.$$

We get the min error $\approx O(10^{-mp/p+1})$

Remark: For explicit Euler $\sim O(10^{-8})$.

For RK4 $\sim O(10^{-13})$.

(I) Connection of consistency and convergence:

① Simplified idea:

Assume i) one-step error $\approx O(h^{p+1})$.

ii) old error doesn't increase, only add up

$\Rightarrow$ global error $\sim N \cdot Ch^{p+1} = \frac{T-t_0}{h} \cdot Ch^{p+1}$
 $\sim O(h^p)$.

Remark: We lose one-order error compared to one-step error.

For it holds in general. We need some kind of "Stability".

eg. (Explicit Euler)

Assume $f(t,y)$ is consi. on $I \times \mathbb{R}^d$
and globally Lip w.r.t y -variable.

Also, we require f smooth enough:

Recall $z_{n+1} = \delta_{n+1}/h = \frac{y(t_{n+1}) - y(t_n) - h f(t_n, y(t_n))}{h}$

$\sim O(h)$ and $y_{n+1} = y_n + h f(t_n, y_n)$

We have: $e(t_{n+1}) = y(t_{n+1}) - y_{n+1} =$

$$y(t_n) + h f(t_n, y(t_n)) + h z_{n+1} - y_n - h f(t_n, y_n)$$

$$= e(t_n) + h (f(t_n, y(t_n)) - f(t_n, y_n)) + h z_{n+1}$$

Apply Lip-anti. of f . We get:

$$|e(t_{n+1})| \leq |e(t_n)| + hL|e(t_n)| + h|z_{n+1}|.$$

Remark. $(1+hL)|e(t_n)|$ is amplification of old error and $h|z_{n+1}|$ is new error.

$$S: |e(t_n)| \leq \sum_0^{n-1} Lh|e(t_k)| + (|e(t_1)| + \sum_1^n h|z_k|)$$

Lemma. (Discrete Grönwall's ineqn.)

$$(W_n), (a_n), (b_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{++}. \text{ s.t. } W_0 \leq b_0. \&$$

$$W_n \leq \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k W_k + b_n, n \geq 1. \text{ If } (b_k) \uparrow,$$

$$\text{Then: } W_n \leq b_n \exp\left(\sum_0^{n-1} a_k\right), \forall n \geq 1.$$

Pf: Set $\lambda_0 = b_0 - W_0$. $\lambda_n = \sum_0^{n-1} a_k W_k + b_n - W_n$

Set $S_n = W_n + \mu_n$. Next we prove:

$S_n \leq b_n \exp\left(\sum_0^{n-1} a_k\right)$ by induction.

$$n=0: S_0 = W_0 + \mu_0 = b_0 \leq \exp(0) b_0.$$

$$\text{Next } S_n = S_{n-1} + a_n W_{n-1} + b_n - b_{n-1}$$

$$\stackrel{W \leq S}{\leq} (1 + a_{n-1}) S_{n-1} + b_n - b_{n-1}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{hypo}}{\leq} (1 + a_{n-1}) b_{n-1} e^{\sum_0^{n-2} a_k} + (b_n - b_{n-1})$$

$$\stackrel{e^x \geq 1+x}{\leq} b_{n-1} e^{a_{n-1}} e^{\sum_0^{n-2} a_k} + e^{\sum_0^{n-1} a_k} (b_n - b_{n-1})$$

$$= b_n \exp\left(\sum_0^{n-1} a_k\right).$$

$$\text{So we have: } |e(t_n)| \leq (|e(t_0)| + \sum_1^n h(z_k)) e^{\sum_1^n L h}$$

$$= e^{L(T-t_0)} (|e(t_0)| + \sum_1^n h(z_k))$$

$$\Rightarrow \max_{1 \leq n \leq N} |e(t_n)| \leq e^{L(T-t_0)} (|e(t_0)| + (T-t_0) \max_k |z_k|)$$

Remark: We can control $|e(t_0)|$, i.e. it always

first of $|e(t_0)| = 0$. So we have:

consistent of order $p \Rightarrow$ convergent of order p .

① General case:

Assume $f(t, y)$ is conti. on $I \times \mathbb{R}^k$ and lip.

Consider general case: $h_k \stackrel{\Delta}{=} t_k - t_{k-1}$ and h
 $= \max_{1 \leq k \leq N} h_k$, where $t_N = T$. Consider general one-

step method: $y_n = y_{n-1} + h_n F(h_n; t_{n-1}, y_n, y_{n-1})$

Def: i) $(L_h y^n)_n = \frac{y_n - y_{n-1}}{h_n} - F(h_n; t_{n-1}, y_n, y_{n-1})$

RMK: So truncated error $z_n = (L_h y)_n$
 $= \frac{y(t_n) - y(t_{n-1})}{h_n} - F(h_n; t_{n-1}, y(t_n), y(t_{n-1}))$

ii) An update formula for a one-step method is called Lip-conv: if $\exists L > 0$ s.t. $|F(h, t, x, y) - F(h, t, \tilde{x}, \tilde{y})| \leq L \cdot$

$$(|x - \tilde{x}| + |y - \tilde{y}|), \quad \forall t, x, \tilde{x}, y, \tilde{y}$$

RMK: In RK-method, f is Lip-conv.

$\Rightarrow$ update formula is Lip-conv.

(Proved by induction on s)

Thm. (Discrete stability)

Lip-conv. update formula is discretely

stable, i.e. $\forall y^{(k)} := [y_n], z^{(k)} := [z_n]$ grid

function on $\mathbb{N}$. $\forall h < \frac{1}{2} L^{-1}$. Then:

$$|y_n - z_n| \leq e^{kL(t_n - t_0)} (|y_0 - z_0| + \sum_{i=1}^n h_i |(\mathcal{L}_k y^h - \mathcal{L}_k z^h)_i|)$$

where const. $k = 4$ for implicit method & $k = 1$ for explicit method (then no need for condition " $h < \frac{1}{2}L^{-1}$ ").

Pf: By def of $\mathcal{L}_k y^h, \mathcal{L}_k z^h$. We have:

$$y_n - z_n = y_{n-1} - z_{n-1} + h_n (F(h_n, t_{n-1}, y_n, y_{n-1}) - F(h_n, t_{n-1}, z_n, z_{n-1})) + h_n (\mathcal{L}_k y^h - \mathcal{L}_k z^h)_n.$$

$$\text{Set } e_n = y_n - z_n, \quad \xi_n = (\mathcal{L}_k y^h - \mathcal{L}_k z^h)_n.$$

i) Explicit case:

$$|e_n| \stackrel{\text{Lip}}{\leq} |e_{n-1}| + h_n L |e_{n-1}| + h_n |\xi_n|.$$

$$\text{So: } |e_n| \leq \sum_0^{n-1} h_k L |e_k| + |e_0| + \sum_1^n h_k |\xi_k|.$$

Apply discrete Gronwall's:

$$|e_n| \leq e^{L(t_n - t_0)} (|e_0| + \sum_1^n h_k |\xi_k|)$$

ii) Implicit case:

$$|e_n| \stackrel{\text{Lip}}{\leq} |e_{n-1}| + h_n L (|e_{n-1}| + |e_n|) + h_n |\xi_n|$$

$$\text{Set } v_n = (1 - h_n L) |e_n|. \text{ Under the}$$

assumption $h \leq \frac{1}{2} L^{-1}$. we have:

$$W_n \leq W_{n-1} + \frac{h_n + h_{n-1}}{1 - h_{n-1}L} W_{n-1} + h_n |\varepsilon_n|.$$

$$\text{So: } W_n \leq \sum_0^{n-1} \frac{h_{k+1} + h_k}{1 - h_k L} L W_k + W_0 + \sum_1^n h_k |\varepsilon_k|$$

Apply discrete Gronwall's:

$$W_n \leq (W_0 + \sum_1^n h_k |\varepsilon_k|) e^{L \sum_0^{n-1} (h_{k+1} + h_k) / (1 - h_k L)}$$

$$\Rightarrow |e_n| \leq \frac{1}{1 - h_n L} \cdot \square \quad (\text{By } \frac{1}{1-x} \leq e^{\frac{x}{1-x}})$$

$$\leq e^{\frac{h_n L}{1 - h_n L}} e^{L \sum_0^{n-1} h_k} \cdot (W_0 + \sum_1^n h_k |\varepsilon_k|)$$

$$\text{Note } 1 - h_k L \geq 1 - h L \geq \frac{1}{2}.$$

$$\text{So: } |e_n| \leq e^{+ \sum h_k} \cdot (W_0 + \sum_1^n h_k |\varepsilon_k|)$$

$$= e^{+ (t_n - t_0)} (W_0 + \sum_1^n h_k |\varepsilon_k|).$$

Cor. For update formula is Lip-conv.

and consistent. If $|g_0^h - g(t_0)| \rightarrow 0$

Then: $\max_{t_n} |g(t_n) - g_n| \rightarrow 0. (h \rightarrow 0)$

Besides, $|g(t_n) - g_n| \leq e^{KL(t_n - t_0)}$.

$(|g_0^h - g(t_0)| + \sum_1^n h_k |z_k|)$ holds as

above $0 \leq n \leq N$.

Pf: Set: $g^h = (g_n)$. compute sol.

$$S_0 : L_h(y^n)_n = 0. \quad \forall n.$$

And let $z^n = (y(t_n))_n$ exact solution

$$S_0 : L_h(z^n)_n = z_n. \Rightarrow \Sigma_n = z_n.$$

Prob: It implies that under the stability condition. we have:

p-order consistent $\Rightarrow$ p-order converge.

(In most of cases, we can let

$$y_0 = y(t_0) \text{ and } \|y_0 - y(t_0)\| = 0.$$

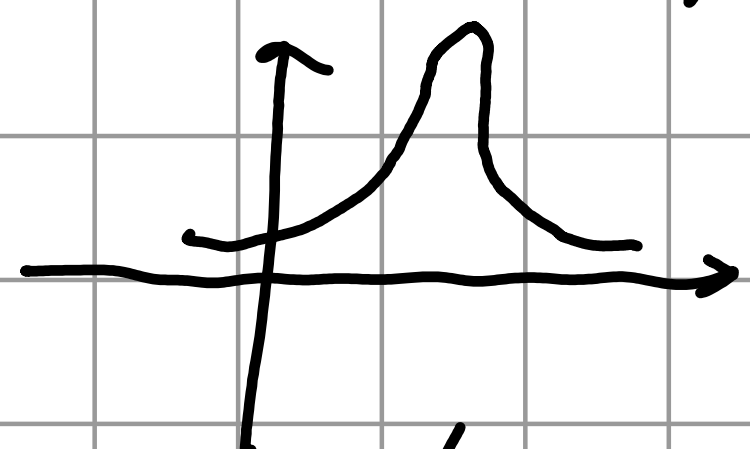
Sometimes we need to prior on $\tilde{y}_0$ estimate. And $\|\tilde{y}_0 - y(t_0)\|$ is negligible)

(b) Adaptive time stepping for RK:

For uniform step length h :

Pro: it's easy.

Cons: i) How to choose proper h ?

ii) Insuff. to use same step length everywhere: e.g. 

iii) It won't detect the exact position of singularities.

Why: Because we don't know how the exact solution look like.

⇒ Introduce "adaptive step length control".

Goal: i) Use as few steps as possible.

ii) Try to enforce a given tolerance.

(e.g. $TOL \geq \|y(t) - y_n\|$)

Ingredients:

i) Error estimator ii) Estimate of new step length.
iii) Computation of local TOL_k .

Why: Error is from i) new step error and ii) Amplification of old error.

Next, we only focus on the error i):

Con: No guarantee for accuracy at T.

pros: a) Cheap b) typically works

c) No need to reject previous steps.

(i.e. error large ⇒ start again)

Approach: Control one-step error by adjusting the step length $h_{k+1} = t_{k+1} - t_k$.

Remark: And we need to estimate the local one-step error.

Algorithm:

Given t_k, y_k and suggestion for step length $h_{k+1} = t_{k+1} - t_k$. We want to get y_{k+1} :

i) Compute local tolerance tol_{k+1} on $[t_k, t_{k+1}]$

ii) Take step $y_k \rightarrow y_{k+1}$ by estimating error:

a) Error $\leq tol_{k+1} \rightarrow$ accept y_{k+1}

b) Error $> tol_{k+1} \rightarrow$ repeat with $\frac{h_{k+1}}{2}$.

① Computation of TOL_{k+1} :

eg. i) Goal: local error is proportional to step length h_{k+1} : $tol_{k+1} := \frac{h_{k+1}}{T-t_0} TOL$.

If no amplification of previous errors.

Total error = $\sum$ local error

$$\leq \sum \frac{h_k}{T-t_0} TOL = TOL.$$

ii) Provide relative/absolute tolerance

RelTOL & AbsTOL. For example:

$$tol_{k+1} = RelTOL \cdot \|y\| \vee AbsTOL.$$

② Estimate local error as posterior:

take a step and use the result to estimate how big the error was in this step.

Strategies: i) Step length halving:

Use method of order p . For

given step length h :

$t_k \xrightarrow{h} t_{k+1}$. $y_k \xrightarrow{h} y_{k+1}^h$. Similarly for

reaching y_{k+1} : $y_k \xrightarrow{h/2} \tilde{y} \xrightarrow{h/2} y_{k+1}^{h/2}$.

$$EST_{k+1} = |y_{k+1}^{\tilde{y}} - y_{k+1}^{h/2}| / (1 - 2^{-p}).$$

Remark: 2^{-p} is the scaling factor

from $O(h^p) \rightarrow O((h/2)^p)$

$= 2^{-p} O(h^p)$. And we want to erase its effect.

ii) Method of different orders:

take time step h_{k+1} with two

method of different orders:

Start from (t_k, y_k) :

$y_{k+1}(y_k)$ is approxi. sol. at t_{k+1} of lower order.

$\tilde{y}_{k+1}(y_k)$ is approxi. sol. at t_{k+1} with method of high order

$$\Rightarrow EST_{k+1} = |\tilde{y}_{k+1}(y_k) - y_{k+1}(y_k)|.$$

Req: In these two strategies: $y_{k+1}^{\frac{n}{2}}$ or $\tilde{y}_{k+1}$ can be seen as "exact sol."

Since we don't know the exact sol.

③ Next, we want to improve the strategy ii) above for predicting a good step length for next step by choosing h_{k+1}^* st.

$$EST_{k+1} = TOL_{k+1}$$

If we're given TOL_{k+1} , trivial step length

h and method of order $p, p+1$. Then:

One-step error $y_{k+1}(y_k) - y(t_{k+1}, y_k) \approx Ch^{p+1}$

and $\tilde{y}_{k+1}(y_k) - y(t_{k+1}, y_k) \approx Ch^{p+2}$.

where $y(t, y_k)$ is sol. of IVP with $y(t_k) = y_k$

$$\Rightarrow EST_{k+1} = |\tilde{y}_{k+1}(y_k) - y_{k+1}(y_k)| \approx C H^{p+1}.$$

$$S_1: C = EST_{k+1} / H^{p+1}$$

Set new optimal step = h_{k+1}^* . So we require

$$C (h_{k+1}^*)^{p+1} = TOL_{k+1}.$$

$$\Rightarrow h_{k+1}^* = H (TOL_{k+1} / EST_{k+1})^{\frac{1}{p+1}}.$$

Remark: To compute h_{k+1}^* , we still need the
eval. of approxi. $\tilde{y}_{k+1}(y_k), y_{k+1}(y_k)$ at t_{k+1}

Algorithm: (No certified / the step length control. algo.)

Let t_0 and y_0 be given. Set $k = 0$

while ($t < T$) { % Details for step $t_k \rightarrow t_{k+1}$

- ① For given step length h , compute a local tolerance tol_{k+1}
- ② For given step length h , compute $y_{k+1}(y_k)$ and $\tilde{y}_{k+1}(y_k)$, approximations at time t_{k+1} with methods of order p and $p+1$
- ③ Compute $EST_{k+1} = |\tilde{y}_{k+1}(y_k) - y_{k+1}(y_k)|$
- ④ If $\underline{EST_{k+1} \leq tol_{k+1}}$ % Step is accepted
 - $y_{k+1} = \tilde{y}_{k+1}(y_k), t_{k+1} = t_k + h, k \rightarrow k+1$
 - $h = \max \left(h_{min}, \min \left(\mu h, \rho h \left(\frac{tol_{k+1}}{EST_{k+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p+1}} \right) \right)$
 - if $t_{k+1} + h > T$, then $h = T - t_{k+1}$

otherwise: % Step is rejected

- $\underline{h = h/2}$
- if $h < h_{min}$ stop the step length control with a warning, otherwise go to 1.

}

Remark: $\Rightarrow h_{min}$ is to avoid the step length become too small because we prefer

large step for efficiency.

ii) $c \in (0,1)$ is safety factor and $\mu \geq 1$ is amplification factor which multiply on

$$h_{k+1}^* = h \left(\frac{Tol_{k+1}}{EST_{k+1}} \right)^{1/\mu}$$

iii) Error estimate is for method of the order p . But we also need $\tilde{y}_{k+1}(y_k)$

④ Embedded RK method:

We can reduce the computation of strategy above. Since we need to evaluate f twice (in the two methods) $\Rightarrow$ double the cost $\Rightarrow$ expensive

Idea: Reuse the function evaluations.

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} c_1 & a_{11} & \dots & a_{1s} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ c_s & a_{s1} & \dots & a_{ss} \\ \hline & b_1 & \dots & b_s \\ \hline & \tilde{b}_1 & \dots & \tilde{b}_s \end{array}$$

$\leftarrow$ method of order p .

$\leftarrow$ method of order $p+1$.

e.g. i)
$$\begin{array}{c|cc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \hline & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

$\leftarrow$ expl. Trapezoidal

$\leftarrow$ expl. Euler

ii) RK45: combination algorithm of

RK4 & RK5 in python.