

Homework 5  
Due on Monday, December 9, 2024.

**Problem 1:** *Coefficients of Adams and BDF methods.* The  $\beta_0, \dots, \beta_k$  coefficients of the  $k$ -step Adams–Bashforth method can be computed with the following symbolic computation.

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import sympy as sp

k=3
beta_list = []

for j in range(k):
    s = sp.symbols('s', real=True)
    m = sp.symbols('m', integer = True)
    prod = sp.Product((k-1-m+s)/(j-m), (m, 0, j-1)).doit()
    prod *= sp.Product((k-1-m+s)/(j-m), (m, j+1, k-1)).doit()
    beta_list.append( sp.integrate(prod, (s, 0, 1)) )

print("beta_{0}, ..., beta_{k-1}): ", beta_list)
print("beta_{k}: ", 0)
```

- Write a program to compute the coefficients of the  $k$ -step Adams–Moulton and BDF methods.
- Using `numpy.roots`, show that the BDF methods are strongly stable for  $k \leq 6$ , but unstable for  $k = 7, 8, 9$ .

**Problem 2:** *Linear multistep method without stability.* Consider the explicit linear 2-step multistep method

$$y_{n+2} = -4y_{n+1} + 5y_n + 4hf_{n+1} + 2hf_n \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, \dots$$

- Show that the linear multistep method has order 3. (Note that the order is higher than the order of 2-step Adams–Bashforth or the 2-step Adams–Moulton methods.)
- Show that this method does not satisfy the Dahlquist root condition.
- Implement this method on the ODE

$$y' = -y, \quad y(0) = 1,$$

which, of course, has the analytical solution  $y(t) = e^{-t}$ . Use the analytical solution to obtain the initial value for  $y_1$ . Observe that the linear multistep method horribly diverges.

**Problem 3:** Operator theoretic derivation of solutions to linear difference equations. Consider the  $k$ -th order homogeneous linear difference equation

$$\alpha_k y_{n+k} + \cdots + \alpha_1 y_{n+1} + \alpha_0 y_n = 0 \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, \dots,$$

where  $\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_k \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\alpha_0 \neq 0, \alpha_k \neq 0$ . Let  $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, \dots\}$ . Define  $L: \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}}$  as

$$L: \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_k y_k + \cdots + \alpha_1 y_1 + \alpha_0 y_0 \\ \alpha_k y_{1+k} + \cdots + \alpha_1 y_2 + \alpha_0 y_1 \\ \alpha_k y_{2+k} + \cdots + \alpha_1 y_3 + \alpha_0 y_2 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let

$$\rho(z) = \alpha_k z^k + \cdots + \alpha_1 z + \alpha_0,$$

and let  $z_1, \dots, z_\ell \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $1 \leq \ell \leq k$  be the distinct roots  $\rho$  respectively with multiplicities  $m_1, \dots, m_\ell$ . Let  $E: \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}}$  be the left-shift operator, i.e.,

$$E: \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n+1} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let  $I: \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{N}}$  be the identity operator. Let

$$E^0 = I, \quad E^1 = E, \quad E^2 = E \circ E, \quad E^3 = E \circ E \circ E, \quad \dots$$

(a) Show that  $L = \rho(E)$ , i.e.,

$$L = \sum_{t=0}^k \alpha_t E^t.$$

(b) Show that

$$L = C \prod_{r=1}^{\ell} (E - z_r I)^{m_r}$$

for some  $C \neq 0$ .

(c) Show that for any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,

$$(E - zI)^k [\{n^{k-1} z^n\}] = \{0\}$$

for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

(d) Show that

$$L[\{p(n)z_r^n\}] = 0$$

for any polynomial  $p(n)$  of degree less than  $m_r$  for  $r = 1, \dots, \ell$ .