84. Some New Two-step Integration Methods

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1. Introduction. The purpose of this is to present some new twostep methods, which deal with the following initial value problem :

(1.1)
$$y' = f(x, y), \quad y(x_0) = y_0.$$

Of all computational methods for (1.1), Runge-Kutta (abbr., R-K) are most popular. R-K methods retain the advantage of one-step methods, but need some functional evaluations for each step. We shall look for other methods to decrease the functional evaluations in R-K methods. Such methods have been discussed by Byrne, Lambert [1] and many others. We have seen in [1] that two-step R-K methods have order p(r) = r+1 (r=2, 3, 4), and that R-K methods [2], [3] have order p(r) = r (r = 1, 2, 3, 4), p(5) = 4, p(6)=5, p(r)=6 (r=7, 8), p(r)=7 (r=9, 10), p(11)=8, where p(r) denotes the highest order that can be attained by an r-stage. Thus two-step R-K methods attain higher order than R-K methods for the same stage. However, in actual computation, two-step R-K methods would not yield as good numerical results as R-K methods for the same order, and some people seem to have the opinion that two-step R-K methods may not be useful for actual computations, but some useful two-step methods are still required in many fields. We now propose the following two-step R-K methods which improve the defect of the usual two-step R-K methods :

In our methods, we have p(2)=5. In using our method, we assume that we have already computed the value of $y(x_0+\theta h)$, $y(x_0+h)$ and $y(x_0+(1+\theta)h)$ by some other means, where y(x) denotes the analytical solutions of (1.1). We first calculate the value of y_1 and $y_{1+\theta_1}$ by some means of (1.2), and next proceed to the calculation of y_2 and $y_{2+\theta_2}$. To demonstrate

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our idea, we present our method (1.2) for r=2 below. Stability analysis, numerical results and other related results will appear elsewhere.

2. Numerical method (r=2). It can be seen that in (1.2) there are some parameters which must be determined. To obtain specific values for these parameters, we expand y_{n+1} in (1.2) in terms of h such as that it agrees with the solution of the differential equation up to order five in its Taylor series. This yields the following results:

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{array}{l} y_{2m+1+ia} = V_1^{(i+1)} y_{2m} + V_2^{(i+1)} y_{2m+1} + h \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} (W_j^{(i+1)} k_j(x_{2m-1}) + S_j^{(i+1)} k_j(x_{2m})), \\ k_1(x_{2m-1}) = f(x_{2m-1}, y_{2m-1}), \quad k_2(x_{2m-1}) = f(x_{2m-1} + ah, y_{2m-1+a}), \\ k_1(x_{2m}) = f(x_{2m}, y_{2m}), \quad k_2(x_{2m}) = f(x_{2m} + ch, y_{2m+c}) \quad (i=0,1), \end{array}$$
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$$\begin{aligned} y_{2m+2+ic} &= \tilde{V}_{1}^{(i+1)} y_{2m+1} + \tilde{V}_{2}^{(i+1)} y_{2m+2} + h \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} (\tilde{W}_{j}^{(i+1)} k_{j}(x_{2m}) + \tilde{S}_{j}^{(i+1)} k_{j}(x_{2m+1})), \\ k_{1}(x_{2m}) &= f(x_{2m}, y_{2m}), \quad k_{2}(x_{2m}) = f(x_{2m} + ch, y_{2m+c}), \\ k_{2}(x_{2m+1}) &= f(x_{2m+1}, y_{2m+1}), \quad k_{2}(x_{2m+1}) = f(x_{2m+1} + ah, y_{2m+1+a}) \quad (i=0, 1), \end{aligned}$$

where

 $W_i^{(1)} = W_i(a, c, 0), \quad S_i^{(1)} = S_i(a, c, 0), \quad V_i^{(1)} = V_i(a, c, 0),$ $W_i^{(2)} = W_i(a, c, a), \quad S_i^{(2)} = S_i(a, c, a), \quad V_i^{(2)} = V_i(a, c, a),$
$$\begin{split} &\tilde{W}_{i}^{(1)} \!=\! W_{i}(c, a, 0), \quad \tilde{S}_{i}^{(1)} \!=\! S_{i}(c, a, 0), \quad \tilde{V}_{i}^{(1)} \!=\! V_{i}(c, a, 0), \\ &\tilde{W}_{i}^{(2)} \!=\! W_{i}(c, a, a), \quad \tilde{S}_{i}^{(2)} \!=\! S_{i}(c, a, 0), \quad \tilde{V}_{i}^{(2)} \!=\! V_{i}(c, a, 0), \end{split}$$
 $V_2^{(i)} = 1 - V_1^{(i)}, \quad \tilde{V}_2^{(i)} = 1 - \tilde{V}_1^{(i)} \quad (i = 1, 2),$ $S_2(a, b, \theta) = S_2 = (\theta + 1)^2 (\theta + 2)^2 \{(a - 1)(5a - 2) - (4a - 2)(\theta + 1)\}$ $\times \{(2b(b+1)(10ab+5a-5b-2)(a-b-1)\}^{-1},\$ $V_1(a, b, \theta) = V_1 = [b^2(b+1)(a-b-1)S_2 - (1/60)(\theta+1)^3]$ $\times \{5(3\theta+7)(a-1)-3(\theta+1)(4\theta+9)\}]60(5a-2)^{-1},$ $W_2(a, b, \theta)(=W_2) = \{(\theta+1)^2(2\theta+5) - 6b(b+1)S_2 - V_1\}\{6a(a-1)\}^{-1},\$ $W_1(a, b, \theta)(=W_1) = -0.5(\theta+1)^2 + 0.5V_1 + (a-1)W_2 + bS_2$ $S_1(a, b, \theta) = 1 + \theta - (W_1 + W_2 + S_2 - V_1).$

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