

Initial-Value Problems for ODEs

Variable Step-Size Multistep Methods

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- To demonstrate the error-control procedure, we construct a variable step-size predictor-corrector method using the **4**-step explicit [Adams-Bashforth](#) method as predictor and the **3**-step implicit [Adams-Moulton](#) method as corrector.

LTE of the Predictor-Corrector Method

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where w_{i+1}^C represents the corrected approximation given by the 3-Step implicit Adams-Moulton method.

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Crucial Assumption

To proceed further, we must make the assumption that for small values of h , we have

$$y^{(5)}(\hat{\mu}_i) \approx y^{(5)}(\tilde{\mu}_i)$$

The effectiveness of the error-control technique depends directly on this assumption.

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Using this result to eliminate the term involving $y^{(5)}(\tilde{\mu}_i)h^4$ in

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- The object is to choose q so that the local truncation error given in this equation is bounded by a prescribed tolerance ε .

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That is, choose q so that

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- A number of approximation assumptions have been made in this development, so in practice q is chosen conservatively, often as

$$q = 1.5 \left(\frac{h\varepsilon}{|w_{i+1}^c - w_{i+1}^p|} \right)^{1/4}$$

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- In addition, q is given an upper bound (e.g. 4) to ensure that a single unusually accurate approximation does not result in too large a step size.

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OUTPUT i, t_i, w_i, h where at the i th step w_i approximates $y(t_i)$
and the step size h was used, or a message that the
minimum step size was exceeded.

Adams Variable Step-Size P-C Algorithm (2/7)

Step 1 Set up a subalgorithm for the Runge-Kutta 4th-order method to be called $RK4(h, v_0, x_0, v_1, x_1, v_2, x_2, v_3, x_3)$ that accepts as input a step size h and starting values $v_0 \approx y(x_0)$ and returns $\{(x_j, v_j) \mid j = 1, 2, 3\}$ defined by the following:

for $j = 1, 2, 3$

set $K_1 = hf(x_{j-1}, v_{j-1})$

$K_2 = hf(x_{j-1} + h/2, v_{j-1} + K_1/2)$

$K_3 = hf(x_{j-1} + h/2, v_{j-1} + K_2/2)$

$K_4 = hf(x_{j-1} + h, v_{j-1} + K_3)$

$v_j = v_{j-1} + (K_1 + 2K_2 + 2K_3 + K_4)/6$

$x_j = x_0 + jh$

Adams Variable Step-Size P-C Algorithm (3/7)

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Set $NFLAG = 1$ *(Indicates computation from RK4)*

$$i = 4$$

$$t = t_3 + h$$

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 else do Steps 17–19 (*Result rejected*)

Adams Variable Step-Size P-C Algorithm (5/7)

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Adams Variable Step-Size P-C Algorithm (6/7)

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Example: Applying the Algorithm

Use the Adams variable step-size predictor-corrector method with maximum step size $hmax = 0.2$, minimum step size $hmin = 0.01$, and tolerance $TOL = 10^{-5}$ to approximate the solution of the initial-value problem:

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- The following table shows that this second run is successful and lists the all results obtained using the algorithm.

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Solution (5/5): Summary of Numerical Results

t_i	$y(t_i)$	w_i	h_i	σ_i	$ y(t_i) - w_i $
0	0.5	0.5			
0.1257017	0.7002323	0.7002318	0.1257017	4.051×10^{-6}	0.0000005
0.2514033	0.9230960	0.9230949	0.1257017	4.051×10^{-6}	0.0000011
0.3771050	1.1673894	1.1673877	0.1257017	4.051×10^{-6}	0.0000017
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
1.2570166	3.3366642	3.3366562	0.1257017	8.622×10^{-6}	0.0000080
1.3827183	3.6844857	3.6844761	0.1257017	9.777×10^{-6}	0.0000097
1.4857283	3.9697541	3.9697433	0.1030100	7.029×10^{-6}	0.0000108
1.5887383	4.2527830	4.2527711	0.1030100	7.029×10^{-6}	0.0000120
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
1.8977683	5.0615660	5.0615488	0.1030100	7.760×10^{-6}	0.0000172
1.9233262	5.1239941	5.1239764	0.0255579	3.918×10^{-8}	0.0000177
1.9488841	5.1854932	5.1854751	0.0255579	3.918×10^{-8}	0.0000181
1.9744421	5.2460056	5.2459870	0.0255579	3.918×10^{-8}	0.0000186
2.0000000	5.3054720	5.3054529	0.0255579	3.918×10^{-8}	0.0000191

Questions?