Ordinary Differential Equations Part 2

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- Becomes a bigger problem when the solution to an ODE has both rapidly varying and slowly varying terms.

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The former are explicit methods, while the latter are implicit.

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Using backwards Taylor series, we have

$$hy'(x_n) - \frac{h^2}{2}y''(x_n) + \frac{h^3}{3!}y'''(x_n) - \frac{h^4}{4!}y'^{V}(x_n) + \dots \\ -h\beta_0 y'(x_n) - h\beta_1 \left(y'(x_n) - hy''(x_n) + \frac{h^2}{2!}y'''(x_n)\right) + \dots = 0$$

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- For Adams-Moulton, we allow $\beta_0 \neq 0$.
- For k = 1, we can obtain a method accurate up to h² by chosing β₀ and β₁ so that C₁ = C₂ = 0.

• This leads to
$$\beta_0 = \beta_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

For k = 3, we can get a solution accurate up to h^4 by solving $C_1 = C_2 = C_3 = C_4 = 0$, alongh with $\beta_4 = 0$.

This gives

$$\beta_0 = \frac{3}{8}, \ \beta_1 = \frac{19}{24}, \ \beta_2 = -\frac{5}{24}, \ \beta_3 = \frac{1}{24}$$

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- ▶ We first use the Adams-Bashforth approach to predict *y_n*:

$$y_n^* = y_{n-1} + h \sum_{i=1}^{k^*} \beta_i^* f(x_{n-i}, y_{n-i})$$

(we are using * to denote parameters for the Adams-Bashforth version)

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- There are many ways of using the Adams methods.
- They are often used in tandem in a predictor-corrector approach.
- ▶ We first use the Adams-Bashforth approach to predict *y_n*:

$$y_n^* = y_{n-1} + h \sum_{i=1}^{k^*} \beta_i^* f(x_{n-i}, y_{n-i})$$

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We follow this up with an Adams-Moulton step to correct the y_n:

$$y_n = y_{n+1} + h\beta_0 f(x_n, y_n^*) + h \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i f(x_{n-i}, y_{n-i})$$

• Typically we use $k^* = k + 1$

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- But ... how do we start?
- ▶ This approach requires k values $y_0, y_1, \ldots, y_{k-1}$ to start !

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- One approach could be to use an appropriate order RK method to get these.
- There are other methods as well.