



Numerical Analysis II (Homework 4)

Exercise 10 (*Consistency of linear multi-step methods*)

Assume $f \in C^p(I \times D)$, $I := [a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$, $D \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^d$. Consider the initial-value problem

$$\begin{aligned} (IVP_1) \quad & y'(x) = f(x, y(x)) \quad , \quad x \in I \quad , \\ (IVP_2) \quad & y(a) = \alpha \quad . \end{aligned}$$

For a given equidistant partition $x_j := a + jh$, $h := (b - a)/N$, $N \in \mathbb{N}$, of I and given real numbers α_k, β_k , $0 \leq k \leq m$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$, with $\alpha_m \neq 0$ and vectors $\alpha^{(j)} \in \mathbb{R}^d$, $0 \leq j \leq m - 1$, a linear multi-step method is of the form

$$\begin{aligned} (MSM_1) \quad & \frac{1}{h} \sum_{k=0}^m \alpha_k y_{j+k} = \sum_{k=0}^m \beta_k f(x_{j+k}, y_{j+k}) \quad , \quad 0 \leq j \leq N - m \quad , \\ (MSM_2) \quad & y_j = \alpha^{(j)} \quad , \quad 0 \leq j \leq m - 1 \quad . \end{aligned}$$

Denoting by τ_h the local discretization error, suppose that

$$(\star) \quad \tau_h(x_j) = O(h^p) \quad , \quad 0 \leq j \leq m - 1 \quad .$$

Show that the linear multi-step method $(MSM)_1, (MSM)_2$ is consistent with the initial-value problem $(IVP)_1, (IVP)_2$ of order p if and only if it is consistent of order p with

$$\begin{aligned} (IVP'_1) \quad & y'(x) = y(x) \quad , \quad x \in I \quad , \\ (IVP'_2) \quad & y(a) = 1 \quad . \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise 11 (*Stability of multi-step methods*)

In class, the stability of multi-step methods has been investigated by means of the Lipschitz stability of operators on the linear space of grid functions. This approach can be generalized as follows:

Let $(X, \|\cdot\|_X)$ and $(Y, \|\cdot\|_Y)$ be normed spaces and let $(A_h)_h$ be a family of continuous operators $A_h : X \rightarrow Y$. This family is called Lipschitz stable, if there exist positive numbers δ, η such that for all $x, z \in X$ and all h satisfying

$$(LS)_1 \quad \|A_h x - A_h z\|_Y \leq \delta$$

there holds

$$(LS)_2 \quad \|x - z\|_X \leq \eta \|A_h x - A_h z\|_Y .$$

(i) For Lipschitz stable families of continuous linear operators $A_h : X \rightarrow Y$ derive a simpler definition of stability by taking advantage of the linearity.

(ii) Let $(A_h)_h$ be a Lipschitz stable family of continuous linear operators which are additionally assumed to be surjective.

Show that for all h the operator A_h is invertible with $\|A_h^{-1}\| \leq C, C > 0$, and derive an upper bound for the constant C .

(Hint: Show injectivity first and then use the definition of the operator norm $\|A_h\| = \sup_{0 \neq x \in X} \frac{\|A_h x\|_Y}{\|x\|_X}$.)

(iii) Let H be a Hilbert space, i.e., a complete inner product space with inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : H \times H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and let $(A_h)_h$ be a family of continuous endomorphisms $A_h : H \rightarrow H$. Further, let $a_h : H \times H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the bilinear form given by $a_h(x, y) := \langle A_h x, y \rangle$.

Prove the equivalence of the following two statements:

(*) For all h the operator A_h is invertible such that $\|A_h^{-1}\| \leq C$, where C is a positive constant independent of h .

(**) There holds

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\|y\|=1} |a_h(x, y)| &> \frac{1}{C} \|x\| \quad , \quad x \in H \quad , \\ \sup_{\|x\|=1} |a_h(x, y)| &> 0 \quad , \quad 0 \neq y \in H \quad . \end{aligned}$$

(Hint: For $(*) \implies (**)$ use $\|x\| = \sup\{\langle x, y \rangle \mid \|y\| = 1\}, x \in H$. For $(**) \implies (*)$ verify first that $\|A_h x\| \geq C^{-1} \|x\|, x \in H$. Then, using an arbitrary Cauchy sequence, show that the range of each operator A_h is closed. Finally, prove surjectivity by contradiction, i.e., assume $\text{range}(A_h)^\perp \neq \{0\}$.)

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Delivery of the homework at latest on March 29, 2010. The homework may be submitted either electronically (rohop@math.uh.edu) or as a hardcopy in class.