

Last time: linear multistep methods

$$\textcircled{1} \quad x_{k+2} - \frac{3}{2}x_{k+1} + \frac{1}{2}x_k = \frac{h}{4}(5f_{k+1} - 3f_k) \quad \text{looked stable}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad x_{k+2} - 3x_{k+1} + 2x_k = \frac{h}{2}(f_{k+1} - 3f_k) \quad \text{looked unstable}$$

What makes these different?

Even blows up for  $f(x,t) = 0$  if you perturb the initial iterates  $x_0, x_1$  slightly (eg. by  $10^{-15}$ ).

Assuming  $f(x,t) = 0$

$$x_{k+2} - 3x_{k+1} + 2x_k = 0$$

$$x_{k+2} = 3x_{k+1} - 2x_k \Rightarrow \text{Analyze this.}$$

Similar update (constructed just for illustration)

$$x_{k+2} = 2x_k - x_{k+1}, \quad \text{assume } \begin{matrix} x_0 = 0 \\ x_1 = \epsilon \end{matrix}$$

$$x_2 = 2(0) - \epsilon = -\epsilon$$

$$x_3 = 2x_1 - x_2 = 2\epsilon + \epsilon = 3\epsilon$$

$$x_4 = 2x_2 - x_3 = -2\varepsilon - 3\varepsilon = -5\varepsilon$$

$$x_5 = 2x_3 - x_4 = 6\varepsilon + 5\varepsilon = 11\varepsilon$$

$$x_6 \quad \dots = -21\varepsilon$$

$$x_7 \quad \dots = 43\varepsilon$$

Sign alternates & roughly doubles in magnitude

$$x_k \approx \left((-2)^k - 1\right)\varepsilon \Rightarrow \text{take as ansatz}$$

Assume  $x_k = \gamma^k$  for  $\gamma$  constant  
certain type of solution

Plug into LMM:  $x_{k+2} = 2x_k - x_{k+1}$   
 $\gamma^{k+2} = 2\gamma^k - \gamma^{k+1}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{if } \gamma \neq 0 \quad \gamma^2 = 2 - \gamma$$

quad. eqn  $\gamma = -2$  or  $1$  (roots of quadratic)

Can have

$$\Rightarrow x_k = (-2)^k \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} x_0 = 0 \\ x_1 = \varepsilon \end{matrix} \text{ admits a possible} \\ \text{solution which blows} \\ \text{up exponentially}$$

Generalization:  $x_k = A\gamma_1^k + B\gamma_2^k$   
 $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 = \text{const (we had 2 roots)}$

Plug into LMM.

$$\left(A\gamma_1^{k+2} + B\gamma_2^{k+2}\right) = 2\left(A\gamma_1^k + B\gamma_2^k\right) - \left(A\gamma_1^{k+1} + B\gamma_2^{k+1}\right)$$

For any initial history  $x_0, x_1$ , can derive  $A, B, \gamma_1, \gamma_2$  are.

$$x_0 = 0, x_1 = \epsilon \Rightarrow \gamma_1, \gamma_2 = -2, 1$$

$$x_k = A\gamma_1^k + B\gamma_2^k$$

$$\Rightarrow x_0 = A\gamma_1^0 + B\gamma_2^0 = A+B = 0$$

$$x_1 = A\gamma_1 + B\gamma_2 = \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow A = -\epsilon/3, B = \epsilon/3$$

$$x_k = \frac{\epsilon}{3} - \frac{\epsilon}{3}(-2)^k$$

Big picture: looked for expressions for  $x_k$  which admit exponential growth

$\Rightarrow$  Plug into LMM update  $\Rightarrow$  constants of exponential growth are related to roots of a polynomial equation.

$\Rightarrow$  for  $x_{k+2} = 2x_k - x_{k+1} \Rightarrow \gamma = -2, 1$   
 $\Rightarrow \gamma = -2 \Rightarrow x_k \approx (-2)^k \rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{k+1} \\ x_{k+2} \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ x_{k+1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Jose's approach}$$

The matrix  $A$  has eigenvalues  $-2, 1$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 = \text{characteristic polynomial}$$

$$\lambda^2 + \lambda - 2 = 0$$

General LMM:

$$\sum \alpha_j x_{k+t+j} = h \underbrace{\sum \beta_j f_{k+t+j}}_{=0 \text{ for } f(x,t) = 0}$$

$$\sum_{j=0}^m \alpha_j x_{k+t+j} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k+t+m} = -\frac{1}{\alpha_m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \alpha_j x_{k+t+j}$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} x_{k+t+1} \\ x_{k+t+2} \\ \vdots \\ x_{k+t+m-1} \\ x_{k+t+m} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & 1 \\ \underbrace{-\frac{\alpha_0}{\alpha_m}}_{c_0} & \underbrace{-\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_m}}_{c_1} & \dots & \dots & \underbrace{-\frac{\alpha_{m-1}}{\alpha_m}}_{c_{m-1}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ x_{k+1} \\ \vdots \\ x_{k+t+m-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p(z) = c_0 + c_1 z + c_2 z^2 + \dots + c_{m-1} z^{m-1} + z^m$$

Roots of  $p(z)$  = eigenvalues of  $A$ .  
(companion matrix)

Multiply  $p(z)$  by  $-\alpha_m \Rightarrow f(z)$

Def:

$$f(z) = \sum_{j=0}^m \alpha_j z^j$$

Characteristic polynomial of a LMM.

Thm: A LMM is zero stable if roots  $\gamma_j$  of  $p(z)$  satisfy

- ①  $|\gamma_j| \leq 1$  for all  $j = 1, \dots, m$
- ② If  $|\gamma_j| = 1$ , the root is simple.

$\Rightarrow$  necessary & sufficient for zero stability.

Dahlquist Equivalence Thm: Suppose an  $m$ -step LMM is applied to a "well-behaved" IVP on  $[t_0, t_{\text{final}}]$  w/ consistent starting values  $x_k \rightarrow x(t_k)$  for  $k = 0, \dots, m-1$   
 $t_k = t_0 + hk$

then the method is convergent as  $h \rightarrow 0$  iff the LMM is consistent and zero stable.

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Absolute stability: zero stability misses  $\beta_j$  coefficients on the right hand side.

$\Rightarrow \beta_j$  imply a maximum  $h$  for stability  
+ ODE