

Modified midpoint method for delay differential equations - stability analysis

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We consider

$$y'(t) = ay(t) + by(t - \tau), \quad t \geq 0, \quad (\text{DDE})$$

where $a, b, \tau \in \mathbb{R}$, $\tau > 0$.

Initial condition

$$y(t) = \phi(t), \quad t \in [-\tau, 0]. \quad (\text{IC})$$

Notion of asymptotic stability of DDE

$$y'(t) = ay(t) + by(t - \tau), \quad t \geq 0, \quad (\text{DDE})$$

Delay differential equation (DDE) is said to be **asymptotically stable (AS)** if all its solutions satisfy

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = 0.$$

$$y'(t) = ay(t) + by(t - \tau), \quad t \geq 0, \quad (\text{DDE})$$

Theorem

Equation (DDE) is asymptotically stable if and only if

$$a \leq b < -a \quad \text{for all} \quad \tau > 0 \quad (1)$$

and in addition to the previous

$$|a| + b < 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \tau < \frac{\arccos(-a/b)}{(b^2 - a^2)^{1/2}}.$$

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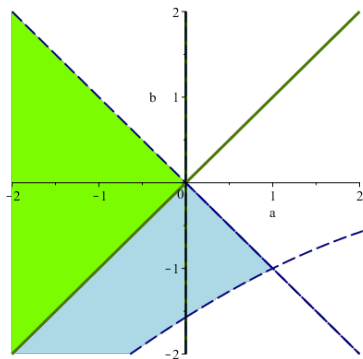


Figure: $a \leq b < -a$ for all $\tau > 0$; $|a| + b < 0$ for $\tau < \frac{\arccos(-a/b)}{(b^2 - a^2)^{1/2}}$;
 $[\tau = 1]$

Discrete case

$$Y(n+2) + \alpha Y(n) + \beta Y(n-\ell) = 0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad (\text{DC})$$

where $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$.

Difference equation (DC) is said to be **asymptotically stable (AS)** if all its solutions satisfy

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y(n) = 0.$$

Preliminary result - three-term difference equation

$$Y(n+2) + \alpha Y(n) + \beta Y(n-\ell) = 0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (\text{DC})$$

Theorem

Let α, β be arbitrary reals such that $\alpha\beta \neq 0$.

- (i) Let ℓ be even and $\beta(-\alpha)^{\ell/2+1} < 0$. Then (DC) is asymptotically stable if and only if

$$|\alpha| + |\beta| < 1. \quad (2)$$

- (ii) Let ℓ be even and $\beta(-\alpha)^{\ell/2+1} > 0$. Then (DC) is asymptotically stable if and only if either

$$|\alpha| + |\beta| \leq 1, \quad (3)$$

or

$$||\alpha| - |\beta|| < 1 < |\alpha| + |\beta|, \quad \ell < 2 \arccos \frac{\alpha^2 + \beta^2 - 1}{2|\alpha\beta|} / \arccos \frac{\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + 1}{2|\alpha|} \quad (4)$$

holds.

Preliminary result - three-term difference equation

$$Y(n+2) + \alpha Y(n) + \beta Y(n-\ell) = 0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \text{ (DC)}$$

where $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem

- (i) Let ℓ be odd and $\alpha < 0$. Then (DC) is asymptotically stable if and only if

$$|\alpha| + |\beta| < 1.$$

holds.

- (ii) Let ℓ be odd and $\alpha > 0$. Then (DC) is asymptotically stable if and only if either

$$|\alpha| + |\beta| \leq 1,$$

or

$$\beta^2 < 1 - \alpha < |\beta|, \quad \ell < 2 \arcsin \frac{1 - \alpha^2 - \beta^2}{2|\alpha\beta|} / \arccos \frac{\alpha^2 - \beta^2 + 1}{2|\alpha|} \quad (5)$$

holds.

Čermák J, Tomášek P: On delay-dependent stability conditions for a three-term linear difference equation.

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Numerical scheme

We consider

$$y'(t) = ay(t) + by(t - \tau), \quad t > 0,$$

and

$$Y(n+2) - \frac{1+ah}{1-ah}Y(n) - \frac{2bh}{1-ah}Y(n-k+1) = 0, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots \quad (\text{NS})$$

- equidistant mesh: $t_n = nh$, $n = 0, 1, \dots$
- stepsize $h = \tau/k$, where $k \geq 2$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$
- $ah \neq 1$.
- $Y(n) \approx y(t_n)$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Remark

Such efficient choice of stepsize makes the discretization formulae free of extra interpolation terms, which can arise from an appropriate approximation of the delayed term.

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Theorem

Let $k \geq 2$ be even. Then (NS) is asymptotically stable if and only if one of the following conditions holds

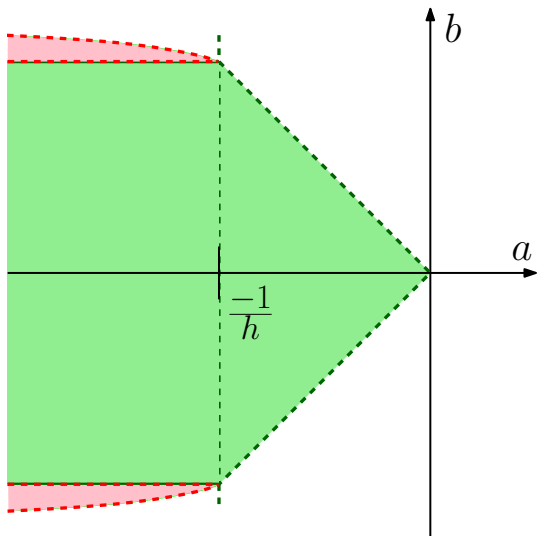
$$|bh| \leq 1, \quad |b| + a < 0, \quad (6)$$

$$2 < 2b^2h^2 < 1 - ah, \quad \tau < \tau_1^*(h). \quad (7)$$

where

$$\tau_1^*(h) = h + 2h \arcsin \frac{a + b^2h}{(1+ah)|b|} / \arccos \frac{1 + a^2h^2 - 2b^2h^2}{a^2h^2 - 1}.$$

Asymptotic stability region in the case of k even



$$Y(n+2) - \frac{1+ah}{1-ah} Y(n) - \frac{2bh}{1-ah} Y(n-k+1) = 0, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots \quad (\text{NS})$$

Theorem

Let $k \geq 3$ be odd and $m = (k-1)/2$. Then (NS) is asymptotically stable if and only if one of the following conditions holds

$$a \leq b < -a, \quad |bh| < 1, \quad (8)$$

$$|b| + a < 0, \quad (-1)^m bh = 1, \quad (9)$$

$$b + |a| < 0, \quad bh > -1, \quad \tau < \tau_2^*(h), \quad (10)$$

$$(-1)^m b + a < 0, \quad (-1)^m bh > 1, \quad \tau < \tau_2^*(h), \quad (11)$$

$$(-1)^m b + a > 0, \quad (-1)^{m+1} bh > 1, \quad \tau < \tau_2^*(h). \quad (12)$$

where

$$\tau_2^*(h) = h + 2h \arccos \frac{a + b^2 h}{|(1+ah)b|} \Big/ \arccos \frac{1 + a^2 h^2 - 2b^2 h^2}{|a^2 h^2 - 1|}.$$

Asymptotic stability region in the case of k odd and $m = \frac{k-1}{2}$ even

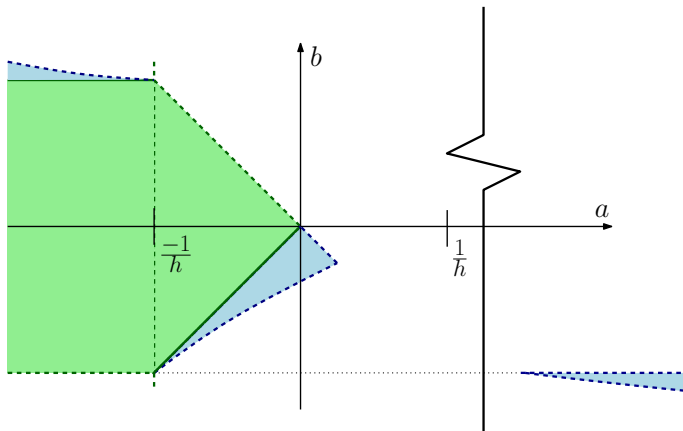


Figure: k odd and $m = \frac{k-1}{2}$ even

Asymptotic stability region in the case of k odd and $m = \frac{k-1}{2}$ odd

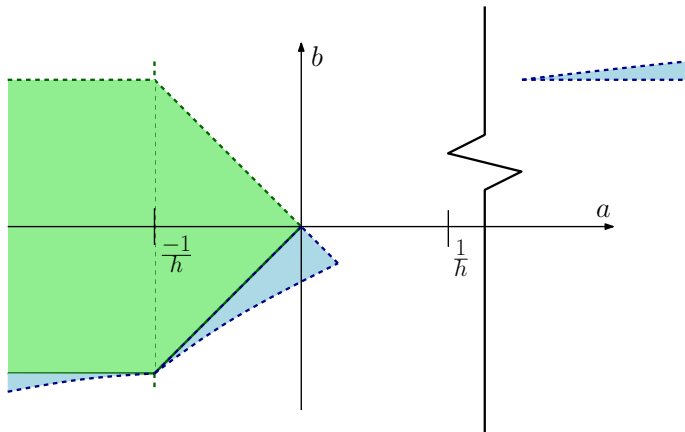


Figure: k odd and $m = \frac{k-1}{2}$ odd

We consider the initial value problem for (DDE) with $\tau = 1$

$$y'(t) = ay(t) + by(t-1), \quad t > 0, \quad (13)$$

$$y(t) = 1 \quad \text{for} \quad t \in [-1, 0] \quad (14)$$

and we decide to use formula (NS) to obtain numerical solution.

Example

We consider the initial value problem for (DDE) with $\tau = 1$

$$y'(t) = 30y(t) + \frac{-51}{10}y(t-1), \quad t \geq 0, \quad (15)$$

$$y(t) = 1 \quad \text{for} \quad t \in [-1, 0]. \quad (16)$$

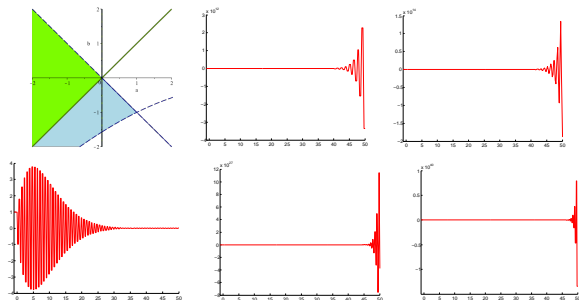


Figure: AS DDE, numerical solutions for $k \in \{3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$

Example

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$$y'(t) = 30y(t) + \frac{-51}{10}y(t-1), \quad t \geq 0, \quad (17)$$

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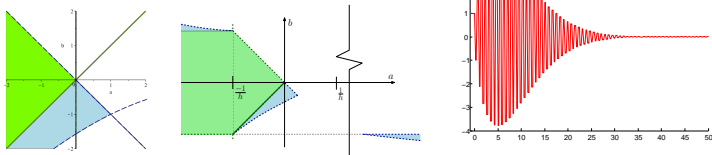


Figure: $(a, b) = (30, -5.1)$, $k = 5$

Example

We consider the initial value problem for (DDE) with $\tau = 1$

$$y'(t) = -y(t) - \frac{3}{2}y(t-1), \quad t \geq 0, \quad (19)$$

$$y(t) = 1 \quad \text{for} \quad t \in [-1, 0]. \quad (20)$$

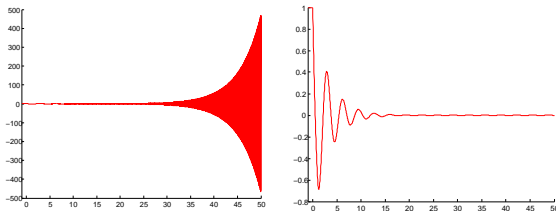


Figure: $(a, b) = (-1, -1.5)$, $k = 50$;

$k = 51$

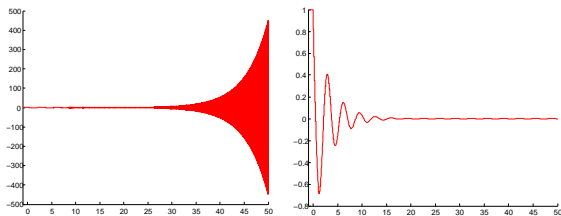
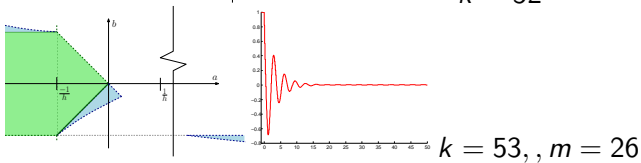
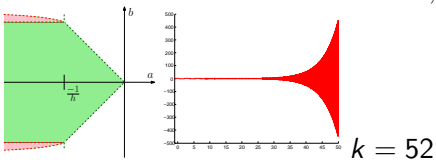
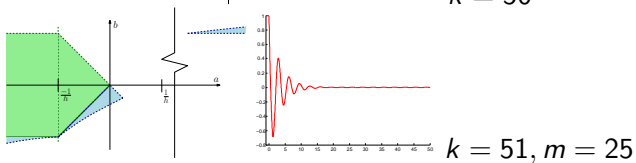
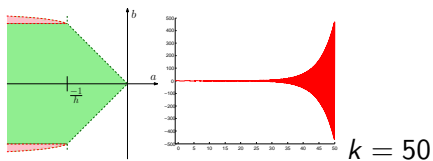


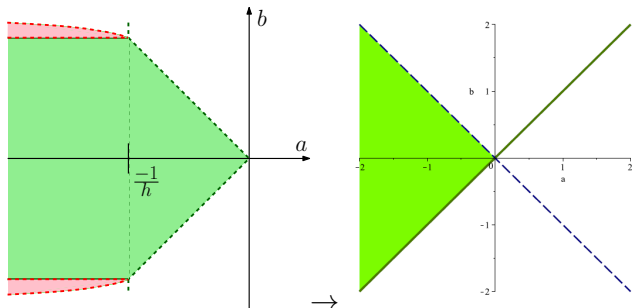
Figure: $(a, b) = (-1, -1.5)$, $k = 52$;

$k = 53$



What happens if $h \rightarrow 0^+$?

In the case of k **even** the asymptotic stability region of (NS) becomes $|b| + a < 0$. With the exception of the boundary, this region corresponds to (1).



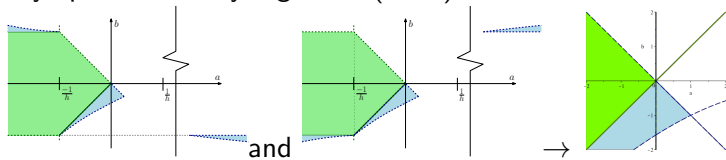
What happens if $h \rightarrow 0^+$?

In the case of k **odd** it may be shown (by the L'Hospital rule) that the asymptotic stability conditions turn to

$$a \leq b < -a,$$

$$|a| + b < 0, \quad \tau < \frac{\arccos(-a/b)}{(b^2 - a^2)^{1/2}}$$

as $h \rightarrow 0^+$. These are equivalent to the conditions defining the asymptotic stability region of (DDE).



Summary

- Formulation of necessary and sufficient conditions for numerical scheme applied to (DDE)
- Numerical examples - explanation for "unexpected" computation results.

The results are based on ...

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- MATLAB and MAPLE computations

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