

Partitioned Methods for Multifield Problems:
Assignment 5: Aitken accelerator and partitioned Runge-Kutta method

Exercise 1: (12 points)

Given a series defined by

$$x(n) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-1)^k}{(1+2k)} \quad , \quad (1)$$

and knowing the series converges to $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x(n) = \frac{\pi}{4}$. Write a Matlab program that speeds up the convergence by using Aitken Δ^2 method. Report the n values needed to reach specific accuracy by the $x(n)$ and by the Aitken series, taking error tolerance $10^{-2}, 10^{-3}$ and 10^{-4} respectively.

Exercise 2: (24 points)

Suppose we have two coupled initial value problems

$$\dot{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) \quad (2)$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{g}(t, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) \quad (3)$$

with $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. We are going to solve the initial value problems with implicit Runge-Kutta (RK) method in which a Newton's method is adopted to solve the nonlinear system for each time step. We don't have the cross-derivatives \mathbf{f}_v and \mathbf{g}_u and would like to apply the Newton's method in a partitioned way, for this purpose we choose Gauss-Seidel scheme.

- Write out the expression of \mathbf{K}_i in the RK procedure of problem (2), and also the expression of its counterpart (denoted as \mathbf{I}_i) in the RK procedure of problem (3). (4 points)
- Write out the system of equations for the partitioned Newton's method (which utilizes only \mathbf{f}_u and \mathbf{g}_v), explain how the Gauss-Seidel iteration proceeds. (10 points)
- If n is so large that the memory is on a tight budget, which type of the implicit Runge-Kutta method can alleviate the problem? (4 points)
- What else methods can also proceed the implicit RK method in a partitioned way? (6 points)

Exercise 3: (Optional, but important to know the answer)

- Consider two coupled ODEs, and we run two order p ($p > 1$) solvers on each but couple them only weakly (say, block Jacobi or Gauss-Seidel way), what would be the order of accuracy of the solution? If we want the solution to have the same accuracy of order p , what kind of coupling should we use?
- In our implicit RK method (suppose it has an order p) in the above exercise, we know the \mathbf{K}_i is a function of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} (so is \mathbf{I}_i).

- If \mathbf{K}_i at the n -th timestep is expressed in terms of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} that are also at the n -th timestep, what is the order of the RK solution?
- On the contrary, if \mathbf{K}_i at the n -th timestep is expressed in terms of \mathbf{u} at the n -th timestep and \mathbf{v} at the $(n - 1)$ -th time step, what is the order of the RK solution?
- What are the names of these two types of coupling?

(c) If we use a strong coupling between the two implicit RK solvers, and solve the nonlinear system for \mathbf{K} and \mathbf{I} at each time step with a partitioned Newton's method using block Gauss-Seidel or block Jacobi iteration, does this change the order of the RK solution?