

# Runge-Kutta / 'Single-step' / 'Multi-Stage' Methods

**Idea:** Compute intermediate 'stage values', compute new state from those:

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_s \end{matrix} &= \begin{matrix} f(t_k + c_1 h, y_k + h(a_{11}r_1 + \dots + a_{1s}r_s)) \\ f(t_k + c_2 h, y_k + h(a_{21}r_1 + \dots + a_{2s}r_s)) \\ \vdots \\ f(t_k + c_s h, y_k + h(a_{s1}r_1 + \dots + a_{ss}r_s)) \end{matrix} \\ y_{k+1} &= y_k + h(b_1 r_1 + \dots + b_s r_s) \end{aligned}$$

Can summarize in a *Butcher tableau*:

$$\tilde{y}_{k+1} = y_k + h(\tilde{b}_1 r_1 + \dots + \tilde{b}_s r_s)$$

$c_1$	$a_{11}$	$\dots$	$a_{1s}$	$\left. \begin{matrix} \text{order of } y_{k+1} \\ \text{order of } \tilde{y}_{k+1} \end{matrix} \right\} \text{ 'embedded pair'}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	
$c_s$	$a_{s1}$	$\dots$	$a_{ss}$	
$b_1$	$\tilde{b}_1$	$\dots$	$\tilde{b}_s$	
$b_s$	$\tilde{b}_1$	$\dots$	$\tilde{b}_s$	

## Runge-Kutta: Properties

When is an RK method explicit?

When is it implicit?

When is it *diagonally implicit*? (And what does that mean?)

# Heun and Butcher

$$r_1 = f(y_k + h(0 \cdot r_1 + 0 \cdot r_2))$$

$$r_2 = f(y_k + h(1 \cdot r_1 + 0 \cdot r_2))$$

Stuff Heun's method into a Butcher tableau:

- $\tilde{y}_{k+1} = y_k + hf(y_k)$
- $y_{k+1} = y_k + \frac{h}{2}(f(y_k) + f(\tilde{y}_{k+1}))$



#stages

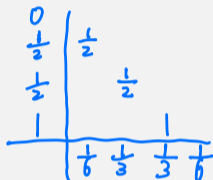
$$\begin{array}{c|cc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$$

RK4

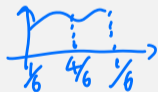


$$\lambda = i$$

What is RK4?



Simpson's rule



$$k_1 = f(t_n, y_n)$$

$$k_2 = f\left(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, y_n + h \cdot \frac{k_1}{2}\right)$$

$$k_3 = f\left(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, y_n + h \cdot \frac{k_2}{2}\right)$$

$$k_4 = f(t_n + h, y_n + h k_3)$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{6} (k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$$

Demo: Dissipation in Runge-Kutta Methods [cleared]

## Multi-step/Single-stage/Adams Methods/Backward Differencing Formulas (BDFs)

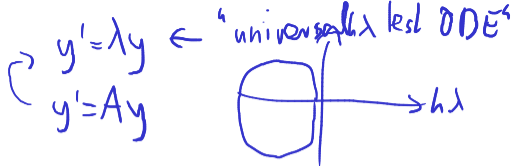
**Idea:** Instead of computing stage values, use *history* (of either values of  $f$  or  $y$ —or both):

$$y_{k+1} = \sum_{i=1}^M \alpha_i y_{k+1-i} + h \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_i f(y_{k+1-i})$$

Method relies on existence of history. What if there isn't any? (Such as at the start of time integration?)

Not self-starting.

## Stability Regions



Why does the idea of stability regions still apply to more complex time integrators (e.g. RK?)

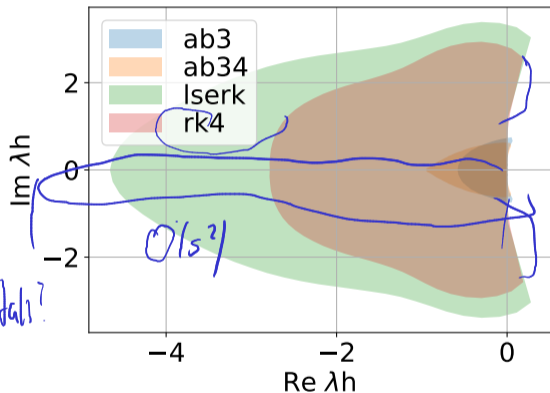
as long as the integrator "leaves the  $y$  whole"  
only does linear combinations of  $y$ , then  
what diagonalizes  $A$  also diagonalizes the  
integrator.

Demo: Stability regions [cleared]

# More Advanced Methods

Discuss:

- ▶ What is a good cost metric for time integrators?
- ▶ AB3 vs RK4
- ▶ Runge-Kutta-Chebyshev
- ▶ LSERK and AB34
- ▶ IMEX and multi-rate
- ▶ Parallel-in-time ("Parareal")



## In-Class Activity: Initial Value Problems

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# Outline

Introduction to Scientific Computing

Systems of Linear Equations

Linear Least Squares

Eigenvalue Problems

Nonlinear Equations

Optimization

Interpolation

Numerical Integration and Differentiation

Initial Value Problems for ODEs

**Boundary Value Problems for ODEs**  
Existence, Uniqueness, Conditioning  
Numerical Methods

Partial Differential Equations and Sparse Linear Algebra

Fast Fourier Transform

Additional Topics

## BVP Problem Setup: Second Order

Example: Second-order linear ODE

$$u''(x) + p(x)u'(x) + q(x)u(x) = r(x)$$

with *boundary conditions* ('BCs') at  $a$ :

- ▶ Dirichlet  $u(a) = u_a$
- ▶ or Neumann  $u'(a) = v_a$
- ▶ or Robin  $\alpha u(a) + \beta u'(a) = w_a$

and the same choices for the BC at  $b$ .



*Note:* BVPs in time are rare in applications, hence  $x$  (not  $t$ ) is typically used for the independent variable.

## BVP Problem Setup: General Case

ODE:

$$\rightarrow \underline{y}'(x) = \mathbf{f}(y(x)) \quad \mathbf{f} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

BCs:

$$\rightarrow \underline{\mathbf{g}}(y(a), y(b)) = 0 \quad \mathbf{g} : \mathbb{R}^{2n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

(Recall the rewriting procedure to first-order for any-order ODEs.)

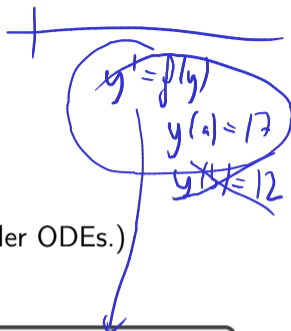
Does a first-order, scalar BVP make sense?

no, not well posed

**Example:** Linear BCs  $B_a y(a) + B_b y(b) = c$ .

Is this Dirichlet/Neumann/...?

$y^u = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ y' \\ y'' \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \text{could be anything}$



## Does a solution even exist? How sensitive are they?

General case is harder than root finding, and we couldn't say much there.

→ Only consider linear BVP.

*Homogeneous*

$$\begin{cases} y' = Ay \\ B_a y(a) + B_b y(b) = c \end{cases} \xrightarrow{b \text{ or } c = 0} (*) \begin{cases} y'(x) = A(x)y(x) + \underline{b(x)} \\ B_a y(a) + B_b y(b) = \underline{c} \end{cases} \xrightarrow{c=0} \begin{cases} y' = Ay + b \\ B_a y(a) + B_b y(b) = 0 \end{cases}$$

*pure.*

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 $\neq b.$

$y = y_h + y_b$  solves (\*)

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 $y_h$  To solve that, consider *homogeneous IVP*

$$y'_i(x) = A(x)y_i(x)$$

with initial condition

$$\underline{y_i(a) = e_i.}$$

Note:  $y \neq y_i$ .  $e_i$  is the  $i$ th unit vector. With that, build the **fundamental solution matrix**

$$\underline{Y(x)} = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ y_1 & \cdots & y_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

# ODE Systems: Existence

$$\int_D \delta_y(x) f(x) dx = f(y), y \in D.$$

Let

$$Q := B_a Y(a) + B_b Y(b)$$

Then (\*) has a unique solution if and only if  $Q$  is invertible. Solve to find coefficients:

$$Q\alpha = c$$

$$\begin{cases} y' = Ay + \delta_y(x) \\ B_a y(a) + B_b y(b) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Then  $Y(x)\alpha$  solves (\*) with  $\mathbf{b}(x) = 0$ .

Define  $\Phi(x) := Y(x)Q^{-1}$ . So  $\Phi(x)c$  solves (\*) with  $\mathbf{b}(x) = 0$ .

Define Green's function

$$G(x, y) := \begin{cases} \Phi(x)B_a\Phi(a)\Phi^{-1}(y) & y \leq x, \\ -\Phi(x)B_b\Phi(b)\Phi^{-1}(y) & y > x. \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\mathbf{y}(x) = \Phi(x)c + \int_a^b G(x, y)\mathbf{b}(y)dy.$$

Can verify that this solves (\*) by plug'n'chug.