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Criterion for the Stability of Numerical Integration Methods for the Solution of Systems of Differential Equations*

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The problem of studying the growth of the error is most important for the numerical solution of. differential equations. In this paper the Wilf's criterion is generalized to be applied for systems of differential equations. A general theorem is investigated and regions of stability have to be determined. The use of an electronic computer is more essential for such regions to be characterized. These regions of stability have the property that, the error introduced at any stage tends to decay. The regions of stability for particular numerical methods are explicitly determined.

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1. Introduction

The system of m ordinary differential equations can be written in the vector form as follows:

$$
Y' = \frac{dY}{dx} = F(x; Y),\tag{1}
$$

with the initial value $Y(x_0) = Y_0$, where

$$
Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{pmatrix}, \qquad F(x; Y) = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x; y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_m) \\ f_2(x; y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_m) \\ \vdots \\ f_m(x; y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_m) \end{pmatrix}
$$

Let the vectors:

 $Y(x)$ be the exact solution of the system (1),

 Y_n be the theoretical (approximate) solution at $x = x_n$,

* Y_n be the practical (computed) solution at $x = x_n$.

We define the error ϵ_n of the solution at the point x_n by:

$$
\epsilon_n = \overset{*}{Y}_n - Y(x_n). \tag{2}
$$

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Hence we get,

$$
\epsilon'_n = \overset{*}{Y'_n} - Y'(x_n)
$$

= $F(x_n; \overset{*}{Y_n}) - F(x_n; \overset{*}{Y_n} - \epsilon_n).$

Assume that:

(a) $F(x_n; Y)$ is a continuous function of Y for Y contained in the closed intervals whose endpoints are $Y(x_n)$ and Y_n ,

(b) the matrix $\left(\frac{\partial f_i(x_n; y)}{\partial y_j}\right);$ $(i, j=1, 2, \ldots, m)$ exists for Y in the open interval whose endpoints are $Y(x_n)$ and Y_n .

Therefore, by the mean value theorem we get:

$$
\epsilon'_n = \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial y_j}\right) \epsilon_n = J_n \epsilon_n, \ (i, j = 1, 2, \ldots, m), \tag{3}
$$

where the elements of the Jacobian matrix $J_n = \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial y_j}\right)_n$ are taken at suitable places

$$
(x_n, Y_n - diag (\theta_i) \cdot \epsilon_n), 0 < \theta_i < 1, i = 1, 2, ..., m.
$$

THEOREM: *Stability criterion for numerical integration methods for the solution of systems of differential equations.*

The integration formula

$$
Y_{n+1} = \sum_{\nu=-q}^{0} a_{\nu} Y_{n+\nu} + h \sum_{\nu=-q}^{1} b_{\nu} Y'_{n+\nu}
$$
 (4)

for the solution of m *ordinary differential equations* $Y' = F(x; Y)$ *is stable if and only if, the Hermitian forms with the coefficients*

$$
A_{(rs)}^{(i)} = \sum_{l=0}^{\min(r, s)} \left\{ \bar{C}_{q+l+1-r, i} C_{q+l+1-s, i} - C_{r-l, i} \bar{C}_{s-l, i} \right\},\tag{5}
$$

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for all $i = 1, 2, \ldots$, m *are positive definite*

where
$$
C_{\delta, i} = \kappa_i b_{\delta - q} - a_{\delta - q}, \delta = 0, 1, ..., q + 1
$$
 (6)

 $\sqrt{2}$

with $\kappa_i = -h\rho_i$, *h the step of integration*, $a_i = -1$,

$$
\rho_i = the \ eigenvalues \ of \ the \ Jacobian \ matrix \ \left(\frac{\sigma_i}{\partial y_i}\right)
$$
\n
$$
b_i \begin{cases}\n=0 & \text{an \ extrapolation formula} \\
\quad i f(4) & \text{an \ interpolation formula.} \\
\neq 0 & \text{an \ interpolation formula.}\n\end{cases}
$$

PROOF: The formula (4) gives the theoretical approximating vector Y_{n+1} for the exact value *Y*($x_n + h$). The computed (practical) solution at $x = x_{n+1}$ is determined as follows:

$$
\stackrel{*}{Y}_{n+1} = \sum_{\nu=-q}^{0} a_{\nu} \stackrel{*}{Y}_{n+\nu} + h \sum_{\nu=-q}^{1} b_{\nu} \stackrel{*}{Y}'_{n+\nu} + R_{n+1}, \tag{7}
$$

where R_{n+1} the round off error.

The corresponding exact solution is

$$
Y(x_n + h) = \sum_{\nu=-q}^{0} a_{\nu} Y(x_n + \nu h) + h \sum_{\nu=-q}^{1} b_{\nu} Y'(x_n + \nu h) + T_{k+1},
$$
\n(8)

where the truncation error $T_{k+1} = \mu_{k+1} h^{k+1} Y_{(x_n)}^{k+1} + O(h^{k+2}), k \ge 1, \mu_{k+1} \ne 0$. Subtracting (8) from (7) we have

$$
\stackrel{*}{Y}_{n+1}-Y(x_n+h)=\sum_{\nu=-q}^0 a_{\nu}(\stackrel{*}{Y}_{n+\nu}-Y(x_n+\nu h))+h\sum_{\nu=-q}^1 b_{\nu}(\stackrel{*}{Y}'_{n+\nu}-Y'(x_n+\nu h))+R,\qquad(9)
$$

where $R_{n+1} - T_{k+1} = R$ is generally a nonzero vector.

Substituting (2) and (3) in (9) we get the difference equation for the error

$$
\epsilon_{n+1} = \sum_{\nu=-q}^{0} a_{\nu} \epsilon_{n+\nu} + h \sum_{\nu=-q}^{1} b_{\nu} J_{n+\nu} \epsilon_{n+\nu} + R,
$$
\n(10)

$$
J_{n+\nu} = \left(\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial y_j}\right)_{n+\nu}.
$$

In studying the local growth of the error ϵ_n it is reasonable to assume that *R* and the matrices (∂f_i) in a small interval $(x - q, x_1)$ are both constants and they may be written in the form \tilde{R} and $\overline{\partial v_i}$

 J respectively. In practice they vary slowly from step to step, otherwise the step size of integration is too large, Hamming $[2]$ ¹ Under these assumptions we get from (10) the nonhomogenous system of linear difference equations with constant real coefficients in the form:

 $\epsilon_{n+1} = \sum_{\nu=-q}^{0} a_{\nu} \epsilon_{n+\nu} + h \tilde{J} \sum_{\nu=-q}^{1} b_{\nu} \epsilon_{n+\nu} + \tilde{R}.$ (11)

To solve this system, we introduce a new vector variable $\hat{\epsilon}$ in place of the variable ϵ by means of a nonsingular linear transformation:

$$
\hat{\epsilon} = T^{-1}\epsilon, \text{ where det } T \neq 0. \tag{12}
$$

Therefore the system (11) is transformed into:

$$
\hat{\epsilon}_{n+1} = \sum_{\nu=-q}^{0} a_{\nu} \hat{\epsilon}_{n+\nu} + hK \sum_{\nu=-q}^{1} b_{\nu} \hat{\epsilon}_{n+\nu} + \hat{R}, \qquad (13)
$$

where

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$$
T^{-1}\tilde{R}=\hat{R}, \qquad \mathbf{K}=T^{-1}\tilde{J}T.
$$

In particular the transformation T may be chosen so as to put the matrix $T^{-1}\tilde{J}T$ into the classical canonical form, Zurmiihl [3].

¹ Figures in brackets indicate the literature references at the end of this paper.

The corresponding homogeneous system of (13) has the form

$$
\hat{\epsilon}_{n+1} = \sum_{\nu=-q}^{0} a_{\nu} \hat{\epsilon}_{n+\nu} + hK \sum_{\nu=-q}^{1} b_{\nu} \hat{\epsilon}_{n+\nu}.
$$
 (14)

CASE I: If the eigenvalues ρ_i of the matrix \tilde{J} are all distinct then the matrix *K* has these eigenvalues in the principal diagonal and zeros elsewhere. **In** this case the system (14) has the form:

$$
(\kappa_i b_1 + 1)\hat{\epsilon}_{i, n+1} = \sum_{\nu=-q}^0 (a_{\nu} - \kappa_i b_{\nu})\hat{\epsilon}_{i, n+\nu},
$$

\n $i = 1, 2, \ldots, m,$ (15)

where

 $\kappa_i = -h\rho_i$.

Put $\hat{\epsilon}_{i, \nu} = \lambda_i^{\nu}$, Nörlund [4], we get from (15) the characteristic equations:

$$
(\kappa_i b_1 + 1) \lambda_i^{q+1} + \sum_{\nu=0}^q (\kappa_i b_{-\nu} - a_{-\nu}) \lambda_i^{q-\nu} = 0,
$$

\n $i = 1, 2, ..., m.$ (16)

CASE II: If the eigenvalues ρ_i of the matrix \tilde{J} are not all distinct, then the matrix \tilde{J} may be transformed to:

where each submatrix K_{ij} is of the form:

$$
K_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} \rho_i & 1 & & 0 \\ & \rho_i & 1 & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \rho_i & \end{bmatrix}
$$

with ρ_i in each position in the leading diagonal, unity in each position in the diagonal immediately above it, and with zeros elsewhere. **In** this case of nondistinct eigenvalues, we have for every submatrix of order γ a system of equations in the form:

$$
\begin{bmatrix}\n\hat{\epsilon}_{1, n+1} \\
\hat{\epsilon}_{2, n+1} \\
\vdots \\
\hat{\epsilon}_{\gamma, n+1}\n\end{bmatrix}\n=\n\begin{bmatrix}\n\sum_{\nu=-q}^{0} a_{\nu} \hat{\epsilon}_{1, n+\nu} \\
\sum_{\nu=-q}^{0} a_{\nu} \hat{\epsilon}_{2, n+\nu} \\
\vdots \\
\sum_{\nu=-q}^{0} a_{\nu} \hat{\epsilon}_{\gamma, n+\nu}\n\end{bmatrix}\n+ h\n\begin{bmatrix}\n\rho_{\alpha} & 0 \\
1 & \rho_{\alpha} & 1 \\
\vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & \rho_{\alpha}\n\end{bmatrix}\n\begin{bmatrix}\n\sum_{\nu=-q}^{1} b_{\nu} \hat{\epsilon}_{1, n+\nu} \\
\sum_{\nu=-q}^{1} b_{\nu} \hat{\epsilon}_{2, n+\nu} \\
\vdots \\
\sum_{\nu=-q}^{1} b_{\nu} \hat{\epsilon}_{\gamma, n+\nu}\n\end{bmatrix}
$$

That means

$$
\hat{\epsilon}_{i, n+1} = \sum_{\nu=-q}^{0} a_{\nu} \hat{\epsilon}_{i, n+\nu} + h \sum_{\nu=-q}^{1} b_{\nu} \{ \rho_{\alpha} \hat{\epsilon}_{i, n+\nu} + \gamma \epsilon_{i+1, n+\nu} \},
$$
\n
$$
i = 1, 2, \ldots, \gamma, \qquad \gamma = \begin{cases} 1 & i < \gamma \\ 0 & i = \gamma. \end{cases} \tag{17}
$$

where

The characteristic equations system can be got as follows:

$$
(\kappa_{\alpha}b_1+1)\lambda_i^{q+1}+\sum_{\nu=0}^q (\kappa_{\alpha}b_{-\nu}-a_{-\nu})\lambda_i^{q-\nu}=0,
$$

$$
i=1, 2, \ldots, \gamma.
$$
 (18)

According to (16) and (18) the characteristic equations system has the form:

$$
(\kappa_i b_1 + 1) \lambda_i^{q+1} + \sum_{\nu=0}^q (\kappa_i b_{-\nu} - a_{-\nu}) \lambda_i^{q-\nu} = 0
$$

$$
i = 1, 2, \ldots, m,
$$
 (19)

independent of whether the eigenvalues of the matrix \hat{J} are distinct or not. According to (6), the equations system (19) has the form:

$$
\sum_{\nu=0}^{q+1} C_{\nu,\,i} \lambda_i^{\nu} = 0, \qquad i = 1, \, 2, \, \ldots, \, m,
$$
\n(20)

where

$C_{\nu,i}$ is generally a complex value.

Due to Wilf's definition [1]: The numerical integration method (4) is said to be stable if the roots of (20) for all $i=1, 2, \ldots, m$ are inside the unit circle in the complex plane, so that the error introduced at any stage tends to decay than build up.

In this connection we state a theorem of Schur [5]:

The zero points of the polynomial:

$$
f(\lambda) \equiv C_0 + C_1 \lambda + \ldots + C_{q+1} \lambda_{q+1}
$$

are aLL inside the unit circle, if and only if the Hermitian form:

$$
H=\sum_{l=0}^q\, \vert \overline C_{q+1}\lambda_l+\overline C_q\lambda_{l+1}+\hskip.2in .\hskip.2in .\hskip.2in \,+\, \overline C_{l+1}\lambda_q\vert\, 2\, \vert C_0\lambda_1+C_1\lambda_{l+1}+\hskip.2in .\hskip.2in .\hskip.2in .\hskip.2in +\, C_{q-l}\lambda_q\vert^2\}
$$

*is positive definite.*²

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The quadratic form H can be formed as follows:

$$
H = \sum_{l=0}^{N} \left\{ \sum_{r=0}^{N} \left(|C_{q+1-r}|^{2} - |C_{r}|^{2} \right) | \lambda_{l+r}|^{2} + 2R_{e} \sum_{j=0}^{q-l} \frac{q^{-l}}{k=j+1} \left(\overline{C}_{q+1-j} C_{q+1-k} - C_{j} \overline{C}_{k} \right) \lambda_{l+j} \overline{\lambda}_{l+k} \right\}
$$

$$
= \sum_{l=0}^{q} \left\{ \sum_{s=l}^{q} \left(|C_{q+l+1-s}|^{2} - |C_{s-l}|^{2} \right) | \lambda_{s} |^{2} + 2R_{e} \sum_{r=l}^{q} \sum_{s=r+1}^{q} \left(\overline{C}_{q+l+1-r} C_{q+l+1-s} - C_{r-i} \overline{C}_{s-l} \right) \lambda_{r} \overline{\lambda}_{s} \right\}
$$

$$
= \sum_{s=0}^{q} |\lambda_{s}|^{2} \sum_{l=0}^{s} \left(|C_{q+l+1-s}|^{2} - |C_{s-l}|^{2} \right)
$$

$$
+ 2R_{e} \sum_{r=0}^{q} \sum_{s=r+1}^{q} \left\{ \lambda_{r} \overline{\lambda}_{s} \sum_{l=0}^{s} \left(\overline{C}_{q+l+1-r} C_{q+l+1-s} - C_{r-i} \overline{C}_{s-l} \right) \right\}
$$

With

$$
A_{rs} = \sum_{l=0}^{\min{(r,s)}} \{ \overline{C}_{q+l+1-r} C_{q+l+1-s} - C_{r-l} \overline{C}_{s-l} \}, \qquad r, s = 0, 1, \ldots, q
$$

we have directly the form:

$$
H=\sum_{r,s=0}^q A_{rs}\lambda_r\overline{\lambda}_s.
$$

For the system of differential equations (1) we have the Hermitian forms

$$
H^{(i)} = \sum_{r,s=0}^{q} A_{rs}^{(i)} \lambda_r \overline{\lambda}_s, \qquad i = 1, 2, \ldots, m.
$$

Therefore $A_{rs}^{(i)}$ has the form (5) and accordingly the integration formula (4) is stable, if the Hermitian forms $H^{(i)}$ are positive definite for all i, so that theorem (1) is proved.

SPECIAL CASE: For $m=1$, we have one single differential equation in the form $y' = f(x; y)$. The Jacobian matrix reduces to one single element $\partial f/\partial y$ and $\kappa = -h\partial f/\partial y$ is a real value. The stability criterion reduces to Wilf Stability Criterion [1].

2. Simple Examples

EXAMPLE 1:

$$
Y_{n+1} = Y_n + hY'_n, \ T_2 = \frac{1}{2}h^2Y''(x_n) + O(h^3), \qquad \text{(Euler-Cauchy method)}.
$$
 (21)

 $2\bar{C}$ means the conjugate complex value of

With $q=0$, $a_0=1$, $a_1=-1$ and $b_0=1$ we have from (5) and (6):

$$
A_{00}^{(i)} = |C_{1, i}|^2 - |C_{0, i}|^2 = 1 - |\kappa_i - 1|^2.
$$

Thus $A_{00}^{(i)} > 0$, $i = 1, 2, \ldots$, *m*, if and only if $h\rho_i$ is inside the circle $|h\rho_i + 1| = 1$ (fig. 1) and so the integration method (21) is stable.

FIGURE I

EXAMPLE 2:

$$
Y_{n+1} = -\frac{1}{3} Y_{n-1} + \frac{4}{3} Y_n + \frac{2}{3} h Y'_n,
$$

\n
$$
T_2 = \frac{2}{3} h^2 Y''(x_n) + O(h^3).
$$
\n(22)

With
$$
q=1
$$
, $a_{-1}=-\frac{1}{3}$, $a_0=\frac{4}{3}$, $a_1=-1$ and $b_0=\frac{2}{3}$, we get from (5) and (6):
\n
$$
A_{00}^{(i)}=|C_{2,i}|^2-|C_{0,i}|^2=A_{11}^{(i)},
$$
\n
$$
A_{01}^{(i)}=\overline{C}_{2,i}C_{1,i}-C_{0,i}\overline{C}_{1,i}=\overline{A}_{10}^{(i)},
$$
\n
$$
C_{0,i}=\frac{1}{3}, C_{1,i}=\frac{2}{3} (\kappa_i-2), C_{2,i}=1.
$$

The determinants:

$$
D_1^{(i)} = A_{00}^{(i)} = \frac{8}{9},
$$

$$
D_2^{(i)} = (A_{00}^{(i)})^2 - |A_{01}^{(i)}|^2 = \frac{4}{81} \{16 - |3\kappa_i - \overline{\kappa}_i - 4|^2\}
$$

With $\kappa_i = -(\alpha_i + \sqrt{-1} \beta_i)$ it follows:

$$
D_2^{(i)} = -\frac{16}{81} \left\{ (\alpha_i + 2)^2 + 4\beta_i^2 - 4 \right\} > 0
$$

if and only if $h\rho_i$ is inside the ellipse $\frac{(\alpha_i+2)^2}{4} + \beta_i^2 = 1$ (fig. 2) and so the integration method (22) is stable.

FIGURE 2

EXAMPLE 3:

$$
Y_{n+1} = Y_n + \frac{h}{2} \left(Y_n' + Y_{n+1}' \right), \ T_3 = -\frac{1}{2} Y'''(x_n) + O(h^4)
$$
 (23)

(Trapezoidal formula). With $q=0$, $a_0=1$, $a_1=-1$ and $b_0=b_1=\frac{1}{2}$ we get from (5) and (6):

$$
A^{(i)}_{00} = |C_{1,i}|^2 - |C_{0,i}|^2 = |\frac{1}{2} \kappa_i - 1|^2 - |\frac{1}{2} \kappa_i + 1|^2 = 2 \text{ Re } (\kappa_i).
$$

We have $A_{00}^{(i)} > 0$ if and only if Re $(\rho_i) < 0$, for $h > 0$, and so the integration method (23) is stable.

3. More Difficult Examples

EXAMPLE 4:

$$
Y_{n+1} = \frac{1}{5} Y_{n-1} + \frac{4}{5} Y_n + \frac{2}{5} h \ (2Y'_n + Y'_{n+1}), \ T_4 = -\frac{1}{30} h^4 Y^V(x_n) + O(h^5)
$$
 (24)

With $q=1$, $a_{-1}=\frac{1}{5}$, $a_0=\frac{4}{5}$, $a_1=-1$, $b_0=\frac{4}{5}$ and $b_1=\frac{2}{5}$ we get from (5) and (6):

$$
A_{00}^{(i)} = |C_{2, i}|^{2} - |C_{0, i}|^{2} = A_{11}^{(i)},
$$

\n
$$
A_{01}^{(i)} = \overline{C_{2, i}} C_{1, i} - C_{0, i} \overline{C_{1, i}} = \overline{A_{10}^{(i)}},
$$

\n
$$
C_{0, i} = -\frac{1}{5}, C_{1, i} = \frac{4}{5} (\kappa_{i} - 1), C_{2, i} = \frac{1}{5} (2\kappa_{i} + 5)
$$

We have

$$
D_1^{(i)} = A_{00}^{(i)} = \frac{1}{25} \left\{ |2\kappa_i + 5|^2 - 1 \right\} > 0,
$$

if and only if $h\rho_i$ is outside the circle $|h\rho_i-2, 5|=0, 5$ (fig. 3), this means, the circle is the region of instability.

Further:

$$
D_2^{ij} = \{A_{00}^{(i)}\}^2 - |A_{01}^{(i)}|^2
$$

= $\frac{1}{625} \{ |2\kappa_i + 5|^2 - 1 \}^2 - \frac{16}{625} |(2\kappa_i + 5)(\kappa_i - 1) + \kappa_i - 1|^2$
= $\frac{16}{625} \{ \{ |\kappa_i|^2 + 5 \text{ Re } (\kappa_i) + 6 \}^2 - |2|\kappa_i|^2 + 5\kappa_i - \kappa_i - 6|^2 \}.$

FIGURE 3

With $\kappa_i = -(\alpha_i + \sqrt{-1} \beta_i)$ we get $D_2^{(i)} > 0$ if

$$
\{(\alpha_i-2)(\alpha_i-3)+\beta_i^2\}^2 > 4\{\{(\alpha_i-3)(\alpha_i+1)+\beta_i^2\}^2+9\beta_i^2\}.
$$

The inequalities $D_f^{(j)} > 0$, $\nu = 1, 2$, are satisfied simultaneously, i.e., the integration formula (24) is stable if $h\rho_i$ is inside the region R (fig. 4).³

FIGURE 4

EXAMPLE 5:

$$
Y_{n+1} = Y_n + \frac{h}{12} \left(-Y'_{n-1} + 8Y'_n + 5Y'_{n+1} \right), \qquad T_4 = -\frac{h^4}{4!} Y^{IV}(x_n) + O(h^5).4
$$
\n
$$
\text{With } q = 1, \ a_0 = 1, \ a_1 = -1, \ b_{-1} = -\frac{1}{12}, \ b_0 = \frac{2}{3} \text{ and } b_1 = \frac{5}{12} \text{ we get from (5) and (6):}
$$
\n
$$
\text{(25)}
$$

$$
A_{00}^{(i)} = |C_{2, i}|^2 - |C_{0, i}|^2
$$

= $\frac{1}{6}$ { $|\kappa_i|^2 + 5$ Re $(\kappa_i) + 6$ } = $A_{11}^{(i)}$,

$$
A_{01}^{(i)} = \overline{C}_{2, i} C_{1, i} - C_{0, i} \overline{C}_{1, i}
$$

= $\frac{1}{12} (4|\kappa_i|^2 + 7\kappa_i - 5\overline{\kappa}_i - 12) = \overline{A}_{10}^{(i)}$,

$$
C_{0,i} = -\frac{1}{12}\kappa_i,
$$

³The regions of stability (figs. 4, 5, and 6) are determined by means of the electronic digital computer Z 22 .

^{..} This formula is given by Southard and Yowell (6].

$$
C_{1,i} = \frac{1}{3} (2\kappa_i - 3),
$$

\n
$$
C_{2,i} = \frac{1}{12} (5\kappa_i + 12)
$$

We have

$$
D_1^{\delta} = \frac{1}{6} \{ |\kappa_i|^2 + 5 \text{ Re } (\kappa_i) + 6 \}
$$

$$
= \frac{1}{6} \{ |\kappa_i + 2, 5|^2 - 0, 25 \} > 0
$$

if $h\rho_i$ is outside the circle $|h\rho_i - 2,5| = 0,5$ (fig. 3). Further:

$$
D_2^{(j)} = \{A_{00}^{(j)}\}^2 - |A_{01}^{(j)}|^2
$$

= $\frac{1}{144} \{4\{|\kappa_i|^2 + 5 \text{ Re } (\kappa_i) + 6\}^2 - |4|\kappa_i|^2 + 7\kappa_i - 5\kappa_i - 12|^2\}.$
With $\kappa_i = -(\alpha_i + \sqrt{-1} \beta_i)$ we get $D_2^{(i)} > 0$, if

$$
\{ (\alpha_i - 2) (\alpha_i - 3) + \beta_i^2 \}^2 > \{ (\alpha_i - 2) (2\alpha_i + 3) + 2\beta_i^2 \}^2 + 36\beta_i^2.
$$

The inequalities $D_{\nu}^{(i)} > 0$, $\nu = 1,2$ are satisfied simultaneously, i.e., the integration formula (25) is stable, if $h\rho_i$ is inside the region R (fig. 5)

EXAMPLE 6:
\n
$$
Y_{n+1} = -\frac{1}{9} Y_{n-2} + \frac{1}{9} Y_{n-1} + Y_n + \frac{2}{27} (-4 Y'_{n-1} + 11 Y'_n + 5 Y'_{n+1}), T_5 = \frac{-19}{810} h^5 Y^V(x_n) + 0(h^6)
$$
\n(26)

(Hamming [2]).

With
$$
q=2
$$
, $a_{-2}=-\frac{1}{9}$, $a_{-1}=\frac{1}{9}$, $a_0=1$, $a_1=-1$,
\n $b_{-1}=-\frac{8}{27}$, $b_0=\frac{22}{27}$, $b_1=\frac{10}{27}$ we get from (5)
\n $C_{0,i}=\frac{1}{9}$, $C_{1,i}=-\frac{1}{27}(8\kappa_i+3)$,
\n $C_{2,i}=\frac{1}{27}(22\kappa_i-27)$, $C_{3,i}=\frac{1}{27}(10\kappa_i+27)$.

The elements of the Hermitian Matrix follow

$$
A_{00}^{(i)} = \overline{C}_{3,i} C_{3,i} - C_{0,i} \overline{C}_{0,i} = A_{22}^{(i)},
$$

\n
$$
A_{01}^{(i)} = \overline{C}_{3,i} C_{2,i} - C_{0,i} \overline{C}_{1,i} = \overline{A}_{10}^{(i)} = A_{12}^{(i)} = \overline{A}_{21}^{(i)},
$$

\n
$$
A_{02}^{(i)} = \overline{C}_{3,i} C_{1,i} - C_{0,i} \overline{C}_{2,i} = \overline{A}_{20}^{(i)},
$$

\n
$$
A_{11}^{(i)} = \overline{C}_{3,i} C_{3,i} + \overline{C}_{2,i} C_{2,i} - C_{1,i} \overline{C}_{1,i} - C_{0,i} \overline{C}_{0,i}.
$$

We have

$$
D_1^{(i)} = A_{00}^{(i)} = |C_{3,i}|^2 - |C_{0,i}|^2
$$

= $\frac{1}{(27)^2} \{ |10\kappa_i + 27|^2 - 9 \} > 0$, if $h\rho_i$ is outside the circle $|h\rho_i - 2, 7| = 0, 3$, (fig. 6).

FIGURE 6

Further

$$
D_2^{(i)} = A_{00}^{(i)} A_{11}^{(i)} - |A_{01}^{(i)}|^2 = \{ |C_{3,i}|^2 - |C_{0,i}|^2 \} \{ |C_{3,1}|^2 + |C_{2,i}|^2
$$

$$
- |C_{1,i}|^2 - |C_{0,i}|^2 \} - |\overline{C}_{3,i} C_{2,i} - C_{0,i} \overline{C}_{1,i}|^2 = \{ |C_{3,i}|^2 - |C_{0,i}|^2 \}^2 - |\overline{C}_{3,i} C_{1,i} - C_{0,i} \overline{C}_{2,i}|^2
$$

$$
= \frac{16}{(27)^4} \left[25 \{ 5 (\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2) - 27 \alpha_i + 36 \}^2 - 4 \{ \{ 10 (\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2) - 39 \alpha_i \}^2 + 225 \beta_i^2 \} \right].
$$

From this it can be proved, that $D_2^{(i)} > 0$ for $\alpha_i < 0$. Finally we get:

$$
D_3^{(i)} = \begin{vmatrix} \overline{A}_{00}^{(i)} & A_{01}^{(i)} & A_{02}^{(i)} \\ \overline{A}_{01}^{(i)} & A_{11}^{(i)} & A_{01}^{(i)} \\ \overline{A}_{02}^{(i)} & \overline{A}_{01}^{(i)} & A_{00}^{(i)} \end{vmatrix}
$$

 $= A_{11}^{(i)} \{(A_{00}^{(i)})^2 - |A_{02}^{(i)}|^2\} - 2 A_{00}^{(i)} |A_{01}^{(i)}|^2 + 2 \text{ Re } (\overline{A}_{02}^{(i)} (A_{01}^{(i)})^2).$

Put

$$
A_{11}^{(i)}\{(A_{00}^{(i)})^2 - |A_{02}^{(i)}|^2\} = \frac{32}{(27)^6} f_1(\alpha_i, \beta_i),
$$

$$
-2A_{00}^{(i)}|A_{01}^{(i)}|^2 = \frac{32}{(27)^6} f_2(\alpha_i, \beta_i),
$$

$$
2 \text{ Re } (\overline{A}_{02}^{(i)}(A_{01}^{(i)})^2) = \frac{32}{(27)^6} f_3(\alpha_i, \beta_i),
$$

where

$$
f_1(\alpha_i, \beta_i) = 4[65(\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2) + 87\alpha_i + 180][25\{5(\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2) -27\alpha_i + 36\}^2 - 4\{(10(\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2) - 39\alpha_i)^2 + 225\beta_i^2\}],
$$

$$
f_2(\alpha_i, \beta_i) = -20[5(\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2) - 27\alpha_i + 36][\{55(\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2) - 27\alpha_i + 36\}^2 - 4\beta_i^2]
$$

$$
-87\alpha_i-180\}^2+44100\beta_i^2\},
$$

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$$
f_3(\alpha_i, \beta_i) = -8[(10(\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2) - 39\alpha_i)\{(55(\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2) - 87\alpha_i - 180)^2 - 44100\beta_i^2\} + 6300\beta_i^2(55(\alpha_i^2 + \beta_i^2) - 87\alpha_i - 180)].
$$

From these we get $D_3^{(i)} > 0$, if

$$
f_1(\alpha_i,\,\beta_i)+f_2(\alpha_i,\,\beta_i)+f_3(\alpha_i,\,\beta_i)\t>0.
$$

The inequalities $D_{\nu}^{(i)} > 0$, $\nu = 1, 2, 3$ are satisfied simultaneously, i.e., the integration formula is stable if $h\rho_i$ is inside the region R (fig. 7).

FIGURE 7

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