

Supplement to Discontinuous Polynomial Approximations in the Theory of One-Step, Hybrid and Multistep Methods for Nonlinear Ordinary Differential Equations

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APPENDIX 1. POLYNOMIAL SPACES.

Consider the space $P^{K-L}(0,1;E) \times E^L$ endowed with the norm

$$\|\tilde{w}\| = \|w\|_0 + \sum_{\ell=1}^L |w_\ell|$$

where $\tilde{w} = (w, w_1, \dots, w_L)$ and define the L^2 -projector $\mathcal{P}_L: L^2(0,1;E) \rightarrow P^{K-L}(0,1;E)$ (if $L=K+1$, set $P^{K-L}(0,1;E) = \{0\}$). Let $\{\tau_\ell\}_{\ell=1}^L$ be a set of L distinct points outside the open interval $(0,1)$.

Lemma A1.1. The map $u \rightarrow Ju: P^K(0,1;E) \rightarrow P^{K-L}(0,1;E) \times E^L$ defined by $Ju = (\mathcal{P}_L u, u(\tau_1), \dots, u(\tau_L))$ is an isomorphism.

Proof. We only have to show that J is injective. If $Ju = 0$, u has at least L real roots (τ_1, \dots, τ_L) . Thus it can be decomposed as follows:

$$u = \Omega \tilde{u}, \quad \Omega(\tau) = \prod_{\ell=1}^L (\tau - \tau_\ell),$$

where \tilde{u} is some polynomial in $P^{K-L}(0,1;E)$ to be determined. But u belongs to $[P^{K-L}(0,1;E)]^\perp$ since $\mathcal{P}_L u = 0$. As a result

$$\int_0^1 \Omega |\tilde{u}|^2 = \int_0^1 u \cdot \tilde{u} = 0$$

and $\tilde{u}=0$ since Ω does not change sign in $[0,1]$. A fortiori $u=0$ and J is injective. □

From the above result we know that there exist two strictly positive constants such that

$$\beta_1(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_L) \|u\|_0 \leq \|Ju\| \leq \beta_2(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_L) \|u\|_0.$$

We now show that the two constants β_1 and β_2 can be made independent of the set $\{\tau_\ell\}_{\ell=1}^L$.

The hypothesis of regularity of the partition and hypothesis (3.5) suggest to consider the following compact set

$$\tau_Y^c = \left\{ (\tau_1, \dots, \tau_L) \in \mathbb{R}^L: \begin{array}{l} (1) \tau_\ell \text{ is in } [\gamma, 1] \text{ for all } \ell=1, \dots, L \\ (2) \tau_\ell - \tau_{\ell-1} \geq c \text{ for all } \ell=2, \dots, L \end{array} \right\}$$

where γ is a real constant and c is the constant in (2.4) (we can choose $\gamma = \frac{M}{c}$ where M is the integer of (3.5)).

Lemma A1.2. There exist two strictly positive constants β_1 and β_2 such that

$$(1) \quad \beta_1 \|u\|_0 \leq \|Ju\| \leq \beta_2 \|u\|_0$$

for every application J defined on a set of points in T_Y^c .

Proof. We only have to show that

$$0 < \beta_1 = \inf_{(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_L) \in T_Y^c} \beta_1(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_L)$$

where $\beta_1(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_L) = \inf_{\|u\|_0=1} \|Ju\|$.

By a compactness argument, there exists a sequence $\{(\tau_1^i, \dots, \tau_L^i)\}_{i=1}^\infty$ in T_Y^c such that

$$\beta_1 = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \beta_1(\tau_1^i, \dots, \tau_L^i)$$

and a point (τ_1, \dots, τ_L)

$$(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_L) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (\tau_1^i, \dots, \tau_L^i)$$

where $(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_L) \in T_Y^c$. There exists also a sequence $\{u^i\}_{i=1}^\infty$ in $P^k(0,1;E)$ such that

$$\|u^i\|_0 = 1, \quad \|J^i u^i\| = \beta_1(\tau_1^i, \dots, \tau_L^i)$$

and

$$u = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} u^i,$$

where u is in $P^k(0,1;E)$. Then

$$\mathcal{P}_L u = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{P}_L u^i$$

and $\{u^i\}_{i=1}^\infty$ converge uniformly to u over $[Y,1]$. Thus by uniform continuity and uniform convergence we show that

$$u(\tau_j) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} u^i(\tau_j^i)$$

for $j=1, \dots, L$. Then we have

$$\|Ju\| = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|J^i u^i\| = \beta_1$$

and this shows that $\beta_1(\tau_1, \dots, \tau_L) = \beta_1$ and that β_1 is strictly positive, since $u \neq 0$.

We obtain β_2 by a similar argument. \square

APPENDIX 2. RECURRENT INEQUALITIES.

In the error analysis section we use Lemma A2.2 proved below.

Lemma A2.1. If the sequence $\{u_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$ of positive reals satisfies the

recurrent inequality

$$(1) \quad u_n \leq a_n u_{n-1} + b_n$$

for $n=1, 2, \dots$ where $a_n, b_n \geq 0$, then

$$(2) \quad u_n \leq u_0 \prod_{i=1}^n a_i + \sum_{j=1}^n b_i \prod_{i=j+1}^n a_j$$

for all n (where $\prod_{i=n+1}^n a_i = 1$ and $\sum_{i=n+1}^n a_i = 0$).

Proof. We obtain (2) by direct substitution of (1) into itself. \square

Lemma A2.2. If the sequence $\{u_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$ of positive reals satisfies the

recurrent inequality

$$(3) \quad u_n \leq u_{n-1} + \sum_{m=1}^M c_{nm} u_{n-m} + b_n$$

where $c_{nm} \geq 0$ for $m=1, \dots, M$ and $b_n \geq 0$, for $n=M, M+1, \dots$, then

$$(4) \quad u_n \leq \delta \prod_{i=M}^n (1+A_i) + \sum_{j=i+1}^n b_i \prod_{j=i+1}^n (1+A_j)$$

for all n where $A_i = \sum_{m=1}^M c_{im}$ and δ is any real number satisfying $\delta \geq u_M$ for $r=0, \dots, M-1$.

Proof. Let $\{y_n\}_{n=0}^M$ be the solution of the difference equation

$$y_n = (1+A_n)y_{n-1} + b_n$$

for $n=M, M+1, \dots$, with $y_r = \delta \geq u_r$ for $r=0, \dots, M-1$. If $y_n \geq u_n$ for $n=0, \dots, N-1$, we have from (3):

$$u_N \leq y_{N-1} + \sum_{m=1}^M c_{Nm} y_{N-m} + b_N$$

and since $y_n \geq y_{n-1}$ we obtain

$$u_N \leq (1+A_N)y_{N-1} + b_N = y_N.$$

This shows that $u_n \leq y_n$ for all n and the result follows from Lemma A2.1 applied to $\{y_n\}_{n=0}^M$. \square

APPENDIX 3. QUADRATURE FORMULA.

Consider L distinct points τ_1, \dots, τ_L given outside of the open interval $(0,1)$. We are looking for $K+1-L$ distinct points and $K+1$ weights so that the quadrature formula

$$(1) \int_0^1 \psi(\tau) d\tau = \sum_{k=1}^{K+1} a_k \psi(\tau_k)$$

be exact for polynomials of degree at most $2K+1-L$.

Definition A3.1. A $K+1$ -point quadrature formula (1) is called interpolatory if it integrates exactly the polynomials of degree at most K . \square

Introduce the two polynomials $\sum_{k=L+1}^{K+1} \omega(\tau) = \prod_{k=L+1}^{K+1} (\tau - \tau_k)$.

We obtain the following characterization.

Theorem A3.2. In order that formula (1) be exact for all polynomials of degree $\leq 2K+1-L$ it is necessary and sufficient that (i) it be interpolatory,

and that (ii) the polynomial ω be orthogonal on $[0,1]$ with respect to Ω to every polynomial of degree $\leq K-L$, in other words

$$\int_0^1 \Omega(\tau) \omega(\tau) p(\tau) d\tau = 0$$

for every polynomial p of degree $\leq K-L$.

Proof. See V.I. KRYLOV [24, Chapter 9, Theorem 1]. \square

To achieve that goal, we shall prove that there exists a polynomial ω of degree $K+1-L$ such that $\Omega\omega$ belongs to $P^{K+1}(0,1;R) \cap [P^{K-L}(0,1;R)]^\perp$ and that ω has $K+1-L$ distinct roots in $(0,1)$.

We must be able to write

$$(2) \Omega\omega = c_0 \pi_{K+1}^+ + \dots + c_\ell \pi_{K+1-L}$$

where π_ℓ is the Legendre polynomial of degree ℓ , translated and scaled to $[0,1]$, with normalization $\pi_\ell(1) = 1$. Moreover the coefficients of (2) are a solution of the linear homogeneous system of L equations with $L+1$ unknowns

$$(3) \Omega\omega(\tau_\ell) = 0 \quad \ell = 1, \dots, L.$$

Since we are looking for a non-zero polynomial ω , we first show that every non trivial solution of (3) must have $c_0 \neq 0$. If not,

$$\omega = \frac{c_1 \pi_{K+1}^+ + \dots + c_L \pi_{K+1-L}}{\Omega}$$

is in $P^{K-L}(0,1;R)$ and

$$\int_0^1 \Omega \omega^2 = 0,$$

which is impossible since Ω does not change sign on $[0,1]$. We also have

$$\begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ -c_0 \\ \vdots \\ c_L \end{bmatrix} = -c_0 \begin{bmatrix} \pi_K(\tau_1) & \dots & \pi_{K+1-L}(\tau_1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \pi_K(\tau_L) & \dots & \pi_{K+1-L}(\tau_L) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \pi_{K+1}(\tau_1) \\ \vdots \\ \pi_{K+1}(\tau_L) \end{bmatrix}$$

Here the τ_i 's are the abscissae of the $(K+1)$ -point Gauss-Legendre quadrature formula. This formula integrates exactly all polynomials in $P^{2K+1}(0,1)$. The polynomials $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_{K+1}$ in $P^k(0,1)$ are the Lagrange interpolating polynomials associated with those points:

$$(1) \theta_i(\tau) = \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^{K+1} \frac{\tau - \tau_j}{\tau_i - \tau_j}, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, K+1,$$

$$(2) \begin{cases} \psi_i(\tau) = \int_{t_{ni}}^{t_{ni}'} \theta_i(\sigma) d\sigma \\ t_{ni} = t_{n-1} + \tau_i h \end{cases}, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, K+1.$$

The numerical scheme is given by the following formulae:

$$(3a) u_{nk} = U_{n-1} + h \sum_{\ell=1}^{K+1} \frac{a_\ell}{a_k} \psi_k(\tau_\ell) f(u_{n\ell}, t_{n\ell}), \quad k=1, 2, \dots, K+1,$$

$$(3b) U_n = U_{n-1} + h \sum_{\ell=1}^{K+1} a_\ell f(u_{n\ell}, t_{n\ell}).$$

Case $K=0$. $\tau_1 = \frac{1}{2}, a_1 = 1$.

$$(4) \begin{cases} u_{n1} = U_{n-1} + h \frac{1}{2} f(u_{n1}, t_{n1}), & t_{n1} = t_{n-1} + \frac{1}{2} h = \frac{t_{n-1} + t_{n-1}'}{2}, \\ u_n = U_{n-1} + h f(u_{n1}, t_{n1}). \end{cases}$$

By eliminating u_{n1} we obtain the Crank-Nicolson process of order 2:

$$(5) U_n = U_{n-1} + h_n f\left(\frac{U_{n-1} + U_n}{2}, \frac{t_{n-1} + t_n}{2}\right).$$

Case $K=1$. $\tau_1 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}, \tau_2 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}, a_1 = a_2 = \frac{1}{2}, t_{ni} = t_{n-1} + \tau_i h, i=1, 2$.

$$(6a) \begin{bmatrix} u_{n1} \\ u_{n2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} U_{n-1} + h_n \frac{1}{4} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f(u_{n1}, t_{n1}) \\ f(u_{n2}, t_{n2}) \end{bmatrix},$$

$$(6b) U_n = U_{n-1} + \frac{h_n}{2} \{ f(u_{n1}, t_{n1}) + f(u_{n2}, t_{n2}) \}.$$

This is the Hammer and Hollingsworth process of order 4 [21].

and we can choose c_0 such that the leading coefficient in ω be equal to one:

$$\omega(\tau) = \tau^{K+1-L} + d_1 \tau^{K-L} + \dots + d_{K+1-L}.$$

The next result locates the roots of ω .

Theorem A3.3. If the polynomial ω of degree $K+1-L$ is orthogonal on the segment $[0,1]$ to all polynomials of degree at most $K-L$ with respect to \mathcal{Q} , then all the roots of ω are real, distinct and lie in $(0,1)$.

Proof. See V.I. KRIVLOV [24], chapter 2, Theorem 1. \square

To determine the weights, choose

$$\phi_\ell(\tau) = \frac{\omega^2(\tau) \mathcal{Q}(\tau)}{(\tau - \tau_\ell) \omega^2(\tau_\ell) \mathcal{Q}'(\tau_\ell)}, \quad \ell=1, \dots, L,$$

which are in $P^{2K+1-L}(0,1;R)$. Then

$$a_\ell = \int_0^1 \phi_\ell(\tau) d\tau, \quad \ell=1, \dots, L,$$

and a_ℓ are not zero since ϕ_ℓ does not change sign in $(0,1)$. In the same way,

$$\theta_k(\tau) = \frac{\omega^2(\tau) \mathcal{Q}(\tau)}{(\tau - \tau_k)^2 (\omega'(\tau_k))^2 \mathcal{Q}(\tau_k)}, \quad k=L+1, \dots, K+1,$$

and

$$a_k = \int_0^1 \theta_k(\tau) d\tau, \quad k=L+1, \dots, K+1.$$

These weights $\{a_k, k=L+1, \dots, K+1\}$ are strictly positive since the θ_k 's are positive on $(0,1)$.

APPENDIX 4. COMPLETELY DISCONTINUOUS METHODS (L=0).

This family of examples corresponds to the numerical scheme (3.29) of Corollary 3.8 when $L=0$. The L^2 and nodal-convergence rates are respectively proportional to h^{K+1} and h^{2K+2} .

When there exist k such that $u_{nk} = u_n$, equation (3b) is implicit; otherwise (3b) is an explicit equation.

Case $K=0$. a) $\tau_1=0, n_1=n-1, a_1=1$.

$$(4) \begin{cases} u_{n1} = u_{n-1}, & t_{n1} = t_{n-1}, \\ u_n = u_{n-1} + h f(u_{n1}, t_{n1}) = (u_{n-1} + hf(u_{n-1}, t_{n-1})). \end{cases}$$

This is the Euler explicit process of order 1.

b) $\tau_1 = 1, n_1 = n, a_1 = 1$.

$$(5) \begin{cases} u_{n1} = u_n, & t_{n1} = t_n, \\ u_n = u_{n-1} + h f(u_{n1}, t_{n1}) = (u_{n-1} + hf(u_n, t_n)). \end{cases}$$

This is the Euler implicit process of order 1.

c) $\tau_1 = -\alpha, \alpha \geq 0$ an integer, $n_1 = n-1-\alpha, a_1 = 1$.

$$(6) \begin{cases} u_{n1} = u_{n-1-\alpha}, & t_{n1} = t_{n-1-\alpha}, \\ u_n = u_{n-1} + hf(u_{n1}, t_{n1}) = (u_{n-1} + hf(u_{n-1-\alpha}, t_{n-1-\alpha})). \end{cases}$$

Case $K=1$. $\tau_1 < \tau_2 \leq 1$, integers.

$$(7) \begin{cases} a_1 = \frac{\tau_2-1/2}{\tau_2-\tau_1}, & a_2 = \frac{1/2-\tau_1}{\tau_2-\tau_1}, \end{cases}$$

$u_{ni} = u_{n-1+i\tau_i}, i=1,2$,

$$(8) \begin{cases} u_n = u_{n-1} + \frac{h}{\tau_2-\tau_1} \left[(\tau_2 - \frac{1}{2}) f(u_{n-1+\tau_1}, t_{n-1+\tau_1}) + (\frac{1}{2} - \tau_1) f(u_{n-1+\tau_2}, t_{n-1+\tau_2}) \right]. \end{cases}$$

For $\tau_1=0$ and $\tau_2=1$ we obtain one of the B.L.HULME [22,23]'s continuous processes:

$$(9) \begin{cases} u_{n1} = u_{n-1}, & u_{n2} = u_n, \\ u_n = u_{n-1} + \frac{h}{2} [f(u_{n-1}, t_{n-1}) + f(u_n, t_n)]. \end{cases}$$

Case $K=2$. $\tau_1 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{5}}, \tau_2 = \frac{1}{2}, \tau_3 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{5}}, a_1 = \frac{5}{18}, a_2 = \frac{8}{18}, a_3 = \frac{5}{18}$
 $t_{ni} = t_{n-1+i\tau_i}, i=1,2,3$.

$$(7a) \begin{bmatrix} u_{n1} \\ u_{n2} \\ u_{n3} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{5}{36} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{5}{36} \\ \frac{5\sqrt{5}}{36} & \frac{2}{9} & \frac{5\sqrt{5}}{36} \\ \frac{5}{36} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{5}{36} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} f(u_{n1}, t_{n1}) \\ f(u_{n2}, t_{n2}) \\ f(u_{n3}, t_{n3}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(7b) u_n = u_{n-1} + \frac{h}{18} [5f(u_{n1}, t_{n1}) + 8f(u_{n2}, t_{n2}) + 5f(u_{n3}, t_{n3})].$$

APPENDIX 5. MULTISTEP METHODS (L=K+1).

This family of examples corresponds to the numerical scheme (3.29) of

Corollary 3.8 when $L = K+1$. The L^2 and nodal-convergence rates are both proportional to h^{K+1} . For simplicity we shall assume that $h_n = h = a$ constant.

Here the $K+1$ points $\tau_1 < \tau_2 < \dots < \tau_{K+1} \leq 1$ are fixed a priori. The quadrature formula uses these points. So it is an interpolatory quadrature formula which integrates exactly polynomials in $P^K(0,1)$. Its weights are

given by

$$(1) a_i = \int_0^1 \psi_i(\tau) d\tau, i=1, \dots, K+1,$$

where $\psi_1, \psi_2, \dots, \psi_{K+1}$ in $P^K(0,1)$ are the Lagrange interpolating polynomials for the points $\{\tau_i, 1 \leq i \leq K+1\}$:

$$(2) \psi_i(\tau) = \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^{K+1} \frac{\tau - \tau_j}{\tau_i - \tau_j}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq K+1.$$

The general formula is

$$(3a) u_{nk} = u_n, \quad 1 \leq k \leq K+1,$$

$$(3b) u_n = u_{n-1} + h \sum_{\ell=1}^{K+1} a_\ell f(u_{n_\ell}, t_{n_\ell}).$$

Case K=2. $\tau_1 < \tau_2 < \tau_3 \leq 1$, integers.

$$(10) \begin{cases} a_1 = \frac{2-3(\tau_2+\tau_3)+6\tau_2\tau_3}{6(\tau_1-\tau_2)(\tau_1-\tau_3)} \\ a_2 = \frac{2-3(\tau_3+\tau_1)+6\tau_3\tau_1}{6(\tau_2-\tau_3)(\tau_2-\tau_1)} \\ a_3 = \frac{2-3(\tau_1+\tau_2)+6\tau_1\tau_2}{6(\tau_3-\tau_1)(\tau_3-\tau_2)} \end{cases}$$

$$(11) \begin{cases} u_{ni} = U_{n-1+\tau_i}, \quad i=1,2,3, \\ U_n = U_{n-1} + h \sum_{i=1}^3 a_i f(U_{n-1+\tau_i}, t_{n-1+\tau_i}). \end{cases}$$

When $\tau_1=-1, \tau_2=0, \tau_3=1$ we obtain

$$(12) U_n = U_{n-1} + \frac{h}{12} [-f(U_{n-2}, t_{n-2}) + 8f(U_{n-1}, t_{n-1}) + 5f(U_n, t_n)].$$

This is the Adams-Moulton scheme of order 3. When $\tau_1 = -2, \tau_2 = -1, \tau_3 = 0$, we obtain

$$(13) U_n = U_{n-1} + \frac{h}{12} [5f(U_{n-3}, t_{n-3}) - 16f(U_{n-2}, t_{n-2}) + 23f(U_{n-1}, t_{n-1})].$$

This is the Adams-Bashforth scheme of order 3.

Case K=3. $\tau_1 < \tau_2 < \tau_3 < \tau_4 \leq 1$, integers

$$(14) \begin{cases} a_1 = \frac{3-4(\tau_2+\tau_3+\tau_4)+6(\tau_2\tau_3+\tau_3\tau_4+\tau_2\tau_4)-12\tau_2\tau_3\tau_4}{12(\tau_1-\tau_2)(\tau_1-\tau_3)(\tau_1-\tau_4)} \\ a_2 = \frac{3-4(\tau_3+\tau_4+\tau_1)+6(\tau_3\tau_4+\tau_4\tau_1+\tau_3\tau_1)-12\tau_3\tau_4\tau_1}{12(\tau_2-\tau_3)(\tau_2-\tau_4)(\tau_2-\tau_1)} \\ a_3 = \frac{3-4(\tau_4+\tau_1+\tau_2)+6(\tau_4\tau_1+\tau_1\tau_2+\tau_4\tau_2)-12\tau_4\tau_1\tau_2}{12(\tau_3-\tau_4)(\tau_3-\tau_1)(\tau_3-\tau_2)} \\ a_4 = \frac{3-4(\tau_1+\tau_2+\tau_3)+6(\tau_1\tau_2+\tau_2\tau_3+\tau_1\tau_3)-12\tau_1\tau_2\tau_3}{12(\tau_4-\tau_1)(\tau_4-\tau_2)(\tau_4-\tau_3)} \end{cases}$$

$$(15) \begin{cases} u_{ni} = U_{n-1+\tau_i}, \quad i=1,2,3,4, \\ U_n = U_{n-1} + h \sum_{i=1}^4 a_i f(U_{n-1+\tau_i}, t_{n-1+\tau_i}). \end{cases}$$

The parameters $\tau_1 = -2, \tau_2 = -1, \tau_3 = 0, \tau_4 = 1$ yield the Adams-Moulton process of order 4,

$$(16) U_n = U_{n-1} + \frac{h}{24} [f(U_{n-3}, t_{n-3}) - 5f(U_{n-2}, t_{n-2}) + 19f(U_{n-1}, t_{n-1}) + 9f(U_n, t_n)].$$

Similarly, the parameters $\tau_1=-3, \tau_2=-2, \tau_3=-1, \tau_4=0$ yield the Adams-Bashford scheme of order 4,

$$(17) U_n = U_{n-1} + \frac{h}{24} [-9f(U_{n-4}, t_{n-4}) + 37f(U_{n-3}, t_{n-3}) - 59f(U_{n-2}, t_{n-2}) + 55f(U_{n-1}, t_{n-1})].$$

APPENDIX 6. CONTINUOUS METHODS (L=2, K≥1).

This family of methods corresponds to the numerical scheme (3.29) of Corollary 3.8 when L=2 and $\tau_1=0, \tau_2=1$ (that is, the polynomial approximation is now continuous at each node). This is B.L.HULME [22,23]'s process. The L^2 and nodal-convergence rates are respectively proportional to h^{K+1} and h^{2K} .

The K+1 points

$$(1) 0 = \tau_1 < \tau_3 < \tau_4 < \dots < \tau_{K+1} < \tau_2 = 1$$

are the abscissae in [0,1] of the (K+1)-point Gauss-Lobatto quadrature formula

with weights $a_1, a_3, a_4, \dots, a_{K+1}, a_2$.

The general formula is

$$(2a) u_{n1} = U_{n-1}, \quad t_{n1} = t_{n-1}$$

$$(2b) u_{n2} = U_n, \quad t_{n2} = t_n$$

For $k=2, \tau_1=0, \tau_2=1, \tau_3=1/2, a_1 = a_2 = 1/6$ and $a_3 = 4/6$. So formula

(5) reduces to

$$(6a) \quad u_{n1} = U_{n-1}, \quad u_{n2} = U_n,$$

$$(6b) \quad \begin{cases} u_{n3} = U_{n-1} + \frac{h}{24} [5f(U_{n-1}, t_{n-1}) + 8f(U_{n3}, t_{n3}) - f(U_n, t_n)], \\ U_n = U_{n-1} + \frac{h}{6} [f(U_{n-1}, t_{n-1}) + 4f(U_{n3}, t_{n3}) + f(U_n, t_n)]. \end{cases}$$

APPENDIX 7. HYBRID METHODS ($l=1, \tau_1=1$ or 0).

Consider the family of examples corresponding to the numerical scheme (3.29) of Corollary 3.8 with $l=1$ and $\tau_1=1$ or 0. The L^2 and nodal-convergence rates are respectively proportional to h^{k+1} and h^{2k+1} .

Case $\tau_1=1$ ($n_1=n$)

The τ_i 's are the abscissae of the $(k+1)$ -point Gauss-Radau quadrature formula:

$$(1) \quad 0 < \tau_2 < \tau_3 < \dots < \tau_{k+1} < \tau_1 = 1.$$

This formula is exact for polynomials in $P^{2k}(0,1)$. The polynomials $\theta_2, \theta_3, \dots, \theta_{k+1}$ in $P^{k-1}(0,1)$ are the Lagrange interpolating polynomials associated with the

points $\tau_2, \tau_3, \dots, \tau_{k+1}$:

$$(2) \quad \theta_i(\tau) = \prod_{\substack{j=2 \\ j \neq i}}^{k+1} \frac{\tau - \tau_j}{\tau_i - \tau_j}, \quad i=2,3,\dots,k+1,$$

and

$$(3) \quad \begin{cases} \psi_1(\tau) = \int_{\tau}^1 \theta_1(\sigma) d\sigma \\ t_{n1} = t_{n-1} + \tau_1 h \end{cases} \quad i=2,3,\dots,k+1.$$

This yields the following numerical scheme

$$(4a) \quad u_{n1} = U_n, \quad t_{n1} = t_n,$$

$$(2c) \quad \begin{cases} u_{nk} = U_{n-1} + (U_n - U_{n-1}) \beta_2(\tau_k) + h_n \frac{a_1}{a_k} f(U_{n-1}, t_{n-1}) \psi_k(0) \\ \quad + h_n \sum_{\ell=3}^{k+1} \frac{a_\ell \psi_k(\tau_\ell)}{a_k} f(U_{n\ell}, t_{n\ell}), \quad 3 \leq k \leq k+1, \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} U_n = U_{n-1} + h_n \{ a_1 f(U_{n-1}, t_{n-1}) + a_2 f(U_n, t_n) + \sum_{\ell=3}^{k+1} a_\ell f(U_{n\ell}, t_{n\ell}) \}, \\ \beta_2(\tau_k) = -\frac{a_2}{a_k} \theta_k(1), \quad 3 \leq k \leq k+1. \end{cases}$$

where

$$(3) \quad \beta_2(\tau_k) = -\frac{a_2}{a_k} \theta_k(1), \quad 3 \leq k \leq k+1.$$

For $k=1$ formula (2) reduces to

$$(4) \quad \begin{cases} u_{n1} = U_{n-1}, \quad t_{n1} = t_{n-1}, \\ u_{n2} = U_n, \quad t_{n2} = t_n, \\ U_n = U_{n-1} + \frac{h_n}{2} [f(U_{n-1}, t_{n-1}) + f(U_n, t_n)]. \end{cases}$$

For $k \geq 2$ formula (2) can be rewritten as follows:

$$(5a) \quad \begin{cases} u_{n1} = U_{n-1}, \quad t_{n1} = t_{n-1}, \\ u_{n2} = U_n, \quad t_{n2} = t_n \end{cases}$$

$$(5b) \quad \begin{cases} u_{nk} = U_{n-1} + h_n \frac{a_1}{a_k} [\psi_k(0) - a_2 \theta_k(1)] f(U_{n-1}, t_{n-1}) \\ \quad + h_n \sum_{\ell=3}^{k+1} \frac{a_\ell}{a_k} [\psi_k(\tau_\ell) - a_2 \theta_k(1)] f(U_{n\ell}, t_{n\ell}) + h_n \frac{a_2}{a_k} [1 - a_2 \theta_k(1)] f(U_n, t_n), \\ 3 \leq k \leq k+1, \end{cases}$$

$$U_n = U_{n-1} + h_n \{ a_1 f(U_{n-1}, t_{n-1}) + a_2 f(U_n, t_n) + \sum_{\ell=3}^{k+1} a_\ell f(U_{n\ell}, t_{n\ell}) \}.$$

Note that formulae (4) and (5) are different from the formula given

by B.L.HULME [22], [23] since he used a k -point Gauss-Legendre formula instead.

of a $(k+1)$ -point Gauss-Radau formula. However, in both cases we solve K

equations in K unknowns.

