

## Lecture 24 Numerical Analysis April 26, 2018

Another brute-force method for computing derivatives:

Richardson extrapolation: (Not just for ~~the~~ derivatives,  
can be used for any method  
with some  $O(h^n)$  accuracy)

Idea: What if we compute  $f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h}$  for  
several values of  $h$  - can we use this information  
to get a better estimate of  $f'$ ?

Recall: 
$$\frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} = f'(x) + \frac{h^2}{6} f^{(3)}(x) + O(h^4)$$

call this  $q_0(h)$ .

$$q_0\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) = \frac{f\left(x+\frac{h}{2}\right) - f\left(x-\frac{h}{2}\right)}{2\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)} = f'(x) + \frac{1}{4} \frac{h^2}{6} f^{(3)}(x) + O(h^4)$$

Can we take a linear combination of  $q_0(h)$  and  $q_0(\frac{h}{2})$  to kill the  $(h^2)$  term?

$$4 \cdot q_0(\frac{h}{2}) - q_0(h) = 3f'(x) + O(h^4)$$

$$\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{4q_0(\frac{h}{2}) - q_0(h)}{3} + O(h^4)$$

$\Rightarrow$  min error on the order of  $O(\epsilon^{4/5}) \approx 10^{-13}$

This can be repeated!

$$q_1(\frac{h}{2}) = \frac{4 \cdot q_0(\frac{h}{4}) - q_0(\frac{h}{2})}{3} = f'(x) + O(\frac{h^4}{16})$$

$$q_1(h) = \frac{4 \cdot q_0(\frac{h}{2}) - q_0(h)}{3} = f'(x) + O(h^4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{16q_1(\frac{h}{2}) - q_1(h)}{15} = f'(x) + O(h^6)$$

General use of Richardson extrapolation:

If some quantity  $L$  has truncation error (or order of convergence):

$$L \approx \varphi_0(h) + a_1 h + a_2 h^2 + a_3 h^3 + \dots$$

$$\text{then } L \approx \varphi_0\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) + \frac{a_1}{2} h + \frac{a_2}{4} h^2 + \frac{a_3}{8} h^3 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\varphi_0\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) - \varphi_0(h) \approx L + O(h^2)$$

⋮

This analysis does not include round off effects.

Very powerful, brute-force method.

Questions?

# Error analysis: Local vs. Global

Local truncation error:

Euler's method

$$\frac{y_{k+1} - y_k}{h} = f(t_k, y_k)$$

True ODE

$$\frac{y(t_{k+1}) - y(t_k)}{h} = f(t_k, y(t_k)) + \frac{h}{2} y''(\xi_k)$$

local error  
First order

For local error, write difference eqn in this form

Euler's method is consistent:  $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{y(t_{k+1}) - y(t_k)}{h} = y'(t_k) = f(t_k, y(t_k))$

Global error:  $\max_k |y(t_k) - y_k|$  (max error on the entire interval you are solving)

Euler:  $O(h)$  ~~proof~~ in the book

Proof:

# Proof of Global Error for Euler:

Euler:  $y_{k+1} = y_k + h f(t_k, y_k)$

Taylor:  $y(t_{k+1}) = y(t_k) + h f(t_k, y(t_k)) + \frac{h^2}{2} y''(\xi_k)$

Taylor-Euler:  $d_{k+1} = y(t_{k+1}) - y_k$   
 $= d_k + h (f(t_k, y(t_k)) - f(t_k, y_k)) + \frac{h^2}{2} y''(\xi_k)$

Taking absolute values:

$$|d_{k+1}| \leq |d_k| + h \left| \underbrace{f(t_k, y(t_k))}_{f_k} - \underbrace{f(t_k, y_k)}_{f_k} \right| + \frac{h^2}{2} |y''(\xi_k)|$$

$$\leq |d_k| + h \underbrace{L |d_k|}_{\text{Lipshitz in } y} + \frac{h^2}{2} M \quad \leftarrow \max |y''|$$

Lipshitz in  $y$ :  $|f(t, y) - f(t, \tilde{y})| \leq L |y - \tilde{y}|$

$$= (1 + hL) |d_k| + \frac{h^2}{2} M$$

Aside: If  $x_{k+1} \leq (1 + \alpha) x_k + \beta$

then  $x_n \leq e^{n\alpha} x_0 + \frac{e^{n\alpha} - 1}{\alpha} \beta$

$$\Rightarrow |d_k| \leq e^{k h L} |d_0| + \frac{e^{k h L} - 1}{h L} \frac{h^2}{2} M$$

$$= e^{k h L} |d_0| + \frac{e^{k h L} - 1}{L} \frac{h}{2} M$$

Taking max's:

$$\max_{k: t_k \in [0, T]} |d_k| \leq \underbrace{e^{L(T-t_0)}}_{\substack{0 \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0 \\ (=0)}} |d_0| + \underbrace{e^{\frac{L(T-t_0)}{2}} - 1}_{\substack{L \\ \text{constant}}} \frac{h}{2} M$$

$\sim O(h)$  Local & global convergence  
 first order convergence

Higher order analysis:

Take more terms in the Taylor series:

$$y(t+h) = y(t) + h y'(t) + \frac{h^2}{2} y''(t) + O(h^3)$$

$$= y(t) + h f(t, y(t)) + \frac{h^2}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \left( f(t, y(t)) \right) + O(h^3)$$

$$= y(t) + h f(t, y(t)) + \frac{h^2}{2} \left( \frac{df}{dt} + \frac{df}{dy} \frac{dy}{dt} \right) + O(h^3)$$

$$= y(t) + h f(t, y(t)) + \frac{h^2}{2} \left( \frac{df}{dt} + \frac{df}{dy} f \right) + O(h^3)$$

$\Rightarrow$  second-order Taylor method:

$$y_{k+1} = y_k + h f(t_k, y_k) + \frac{h^2}{2} \left( \frac{df}{dt} + \frac{df}{dy} f \right) (t_k, y_k)$$

Local error:  $O(h^2)$

Higher order methods exist, require more derivatives of  $f$