

## Problem Sheet 14

### Problem 14.1 ODEs for Matrix-Valued Functions

Let the matrix-valued function  $\mathbf{Y} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$  be a solution of the (matrix) differential equation

$$\dot{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Y} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}. \quad (14.1.1)$$

**(14.1a)** Assume  $\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{H} = -\mathbf{H}\mathbf{A}$ . Show that  $\mathbf{Y}(t)^\top \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Y}(t) = \mathbf{H}$  for all  $t > 0$  provided  $\mathbf{Y}(0)^\top \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Y}(0) = \mathbf{H}$ .

HINT: You might want to compute  $\frac{d}{dt}$  of  $\mathbf{Y}^\top \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Y}$ .

**(14.1b)** Implement the following functions in MATLAB

- (i) function `Y = ExplEulStep(A, Y0, h)`,
- (ii) function `Y = ImplEulStep(A, Y0, h)`,
- (iii) function `Y = ImplMidpStep(A, Y0, h)`,

which, for a given initial value  $\mathbf{Y}(t_0) = \mathbf{Y}_0$  and for a given step size  $h$ , compute approximations to  $\mathbf{Y}(t_0 + h)$  for the solution of (14.1.1) using a (*single*) step of

- (i) the explicit Euler method,
- (ii) the implicit Euler method,
- (iii) the implicit mid-point method.

**(14.1c)** Take now  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} -3 & -6 \\ 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{Y}(0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Complete the template `CompareNorms.m` where, using the functions from subproblem (14.1b), you should compute discrete approximations  $\mathbf{Y}_k$  of  $\mathbf{Y}(kh)$ , for  $k = 1, \dots, 20$  with  $h = 1/20$ . Compare the norms  $\|\mathbf{Y}_k^\top \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Y}_k - \mathbf{H}\|_F$ , for  $k = 1, \dots, 20$  and all three methods, and comment on your observations with regards to the invariant from subproblem (14.1a).

HINT: The Frobenius norm  $\|\cdot\|_F$  of a matrix can be computed using the command `norm(A, 'fro')`.

**(14.1d)** Show that the solution  $\mathbf{Y}_k$  computed via the implicit mid-point rule satisfies:

$$\text{if } \mathbf{Y}_0^\top \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Y}_0 = \mathbf{H} \quad \text{then} \quad \mathbf{Y}_k^\top \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Y}_k = \mathbf{H} \quad \text{for all } k \geq 1.$$

HINT: You might find the identity  $\mathbf{Y}_1 - \mathbf{Y}_0 = \frac{h}{2}\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Y}_0 + \mathbf{Y}_1)$  useful.

## Problem 14.2 Projection Method for Hamiltonian equations

When an ODE is defined on a manifold it is important that the approximate solution is also contained in the manifold. A natural ansatz consists in projecting the approximate solution to this manifold. In the present exercise we will apply this ansatz to Hamilton's equations in such a way that important first integrals are preserved. We will also investigate how many such projections are necessary in order to obtain a qualitatively correct solution.

As our example we consider the perturbed Kepler problem whose Hamiltonian is given by

$$H(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = \frac{1}{2}(p_1^2 + p_2^2) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{q_1^2 + q_2^2}} - \frac{0.005}{2\sqrt{(q_1^2 + q_2^2)^3}}. \quad (14.2.1)$$

**(14.2a)** Derive the Hamilton's equations for (14.2.1).

**(14.2b)** Write down a first integral for the ODE derived in subproblem (14.2a) and show that the angular momentum

$$L(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) = q_1 p_2 - q_2 p_1 \quad (14.2.2)$$

defines an additional first integral.

**(14.2c)** Fill in the template `proHam1.m` which solves the ODE 14.2.1 using the explicit Euler method, the Störmer–Verlet method and the symplectic Euler method and plots the trajectory of the position coordinate  $\begin{pmatrix} q_1(t) \\ q_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$  for each of the three aforementioned methods.

HINT: The symplectic Euler method is a Lie–Trotter splitting method, see [NUMODE, Eq. (2.5.11)].

**(14.2d)** subproblem (14.2c) makes clear the fact that the explicit Euler method yields a qualitatively wrong solution. To obtain a better approximation, we project the numerical solution to the submanifold

$$\mathcal{M} := \left\{ \mathbf{z} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid H(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = H(\mathbf{p}(0), \mathbf{q}(0)) \right\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4$$

after each time step. Let  $\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^4$  (e.g.  $\mathbf{z}$  might represent the approximation computed using the explicit Euler method). A projection  $\tilde{\mathbf{z}}$  of  $\mathbf{z}$  onto the manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  can be defined to be a solution of the following system

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{z}} &= \mathbf{z} + s \operatorname{grad}(H(\mathbf{z})), \\ 0 &= H(\tilde{\mathbf{z}}) - H(\mathbf{p}(0), \mathbf{q}(0)), \end{aligned} \quad (14.2.3)$$

where  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ . Carry out one step of the Newton method for (14.2.3) and determine an approximation of the projection  $\tilde{\mathbf{z}}$ . Choose  $s^{(0)} = 0$  as the initial value for the parameter  $s$ .

HINT: Solve (14.2.3) for  $s$  as the only unknown. Then determine an approximation for  $s$  via the Newton method and construct the projection  $\tilde{\mathbf{z}}$ .

**(14.2e)** Complete the template `proHam2.m`, which solves the ODE (14.2.1) using the method derived in subproblem (14.2d), and plots the trajectory of the position coordinates  $\begin{pmatrix} p_1(t) \\ p_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$  as well as the evolution of the energy.

**(14.2f)** From the subproblem (14.2e) we can infer that the projection to the manifold  $\mathcal{M}$  is not sufficient to obtain a qualitatively correct solution. Let us try to improve this method by projecting onto a smaller submanifold of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ , given by

$$\mathcal{L} := \left\{ \mathbf{z} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid H(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = H(\mathbf{p}(0), \mathbf{q}(0)), L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = L(\mathbf{p}(0), \mathbf{q}(0)) \right\}.$$

The projection  $\tilde{\mathbf{z}}$  of  $\mathbf{z}$  to the manifold  $\mathcal{L}$  can be defined as the solution to the following system

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{z}} &= \mathbf{z} + s \mathbf{grad}(H(\mathbf{z})) + r \mathbf{grad}(L(\mathbf{z})), \\ 0 &= H(\tilde{\mathbf{z}}) - H(\mathbf{p}(0), \mathbf{q}(0)), \\ 0 &= L(\tilde{\mathbf{z}}) - L(\mathbf{p}(0), \mathbf{q}(0)), \end{aligned} \tag{14.2.4}$$

where  $s$  and  $r$  are real parameters. Carry out one step of the Newton method for (14.2.4) and compute an approximation of the projection  $\tilde{\mathbf{z}}$ . Choose  $s^{(0)} = 0$  and  $r^{(0)} = 0$  as starting values for  $s$  and  $r$ .

HINT: Solve (14.2.3) for  $s$  and  $r$  as the only unknowns. Then determine an approximation for  $s$  and  $r$  via the Newton method and construct the projection  $\tilde{\mathbf{z}}$ .

**(14.2g)** Complete the template `proHam3.m` which solves the ODE (14.2.1), using the method described in subproblem (14.2f), and plots the trajectory of the position coordinates  $\begin{pmatrix} p_1(t) \\ p_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$  as well as the evolution of the energy and the angular momentum.

### Problem 14.3 Instability of the Störmer-Verlet Method

We consider the Hamiltonian of a harmonic oscillator, with a frequency parameter  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ , defined as

$$H(p, q) = \frac{1}{2}\omega(p^2 + q^2), \quad p, q \in \mathbb{R}.$$

**(14.3a)** Formulate the corresponding Hamilton's equations.

**(14.3b)** Formulate the Störmer-Verlet method for the ODE from subproblem (14.3a).

**(14.3c)** The analytic solution  $\mathbf{y}(t) := (p(t), q(t))^T$  of the ODE from subproblem (14.3a) is

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{W}(t\omega)\mathbf{y}_0,$$

with

$$\mathbf{W}(t\omega) := \exp\left(t \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\omega \\ \omega & 0 \end{pmatrix}\right).$$

Plot the eigenvalue loci of  $\mathbf{W}(t\omega)$ , with respect to  $t\omega$ .

**(14.3d)** Transform the Störmer-Verlet method obtained in subproblem (14.3b) into the form

$$\mathbf{y}_1 = \mathbf{S}(h\omega)\mathbf{y}_0.$$

Plot the eigenvalue loci, with respect to  $h\omega$ . What can you observe by comparing this curve with the curve obtained in subproblem (14.3c)?

(14.3e) What do you observe for  $h\omega \rightarrow \infty$ ? What are the consequences on the numerical method?

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There's no submission deadline for this assignment, but at least having a look at all assignments before final exam might be a good suggestion.

## References

[NODE] [Lecture Notes](#) for the course “Numerical Methods for Ordinary Differential Equations”.

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