

# Numerical Methods for Computational Science and Engineering

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## XII. Single-Step Methods for Stiff NPs

### MATLAB-script 12.0.2: Use of MATLAB integrator ode45 for a stiff problem

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1 fun = @(t,x) 500*x^2*(1-x);
2 options = odeset('reltol',0.1,'abstol',0.001,'stats','on');
3 [t,y] = ode45(fun,[0 1],y0,options);

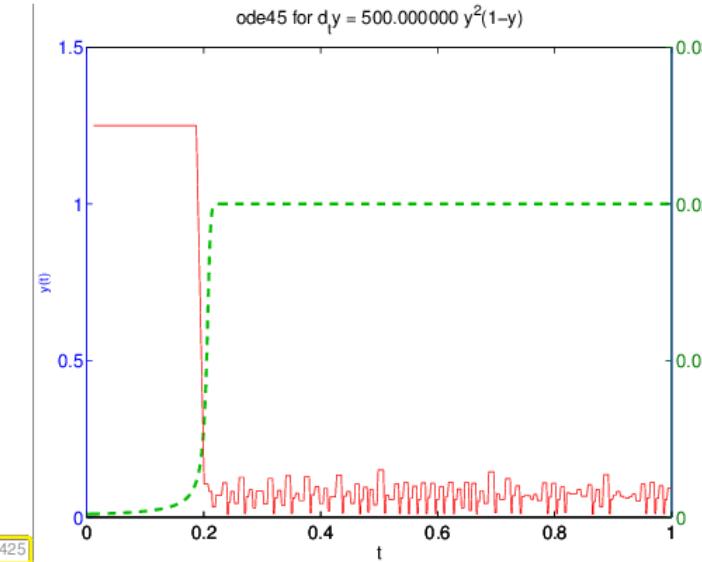
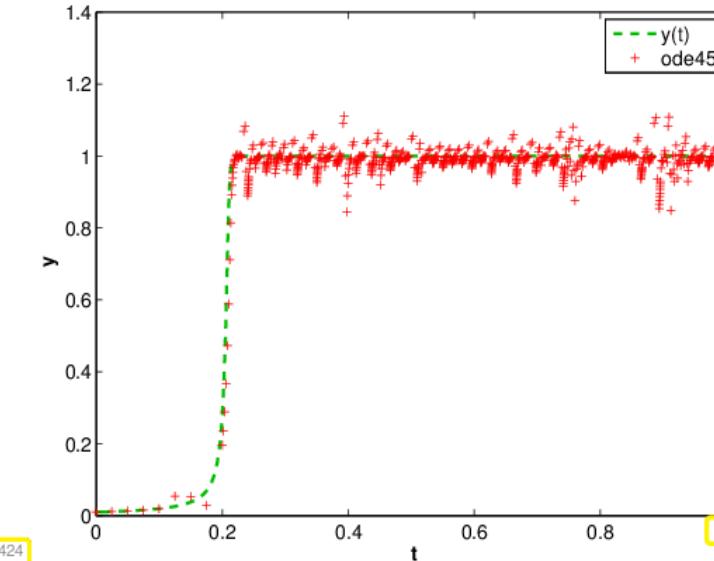
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The option `stats = 'on'` makes MATLAB print statistics about the run of the integrators.

orders used for stepsize control

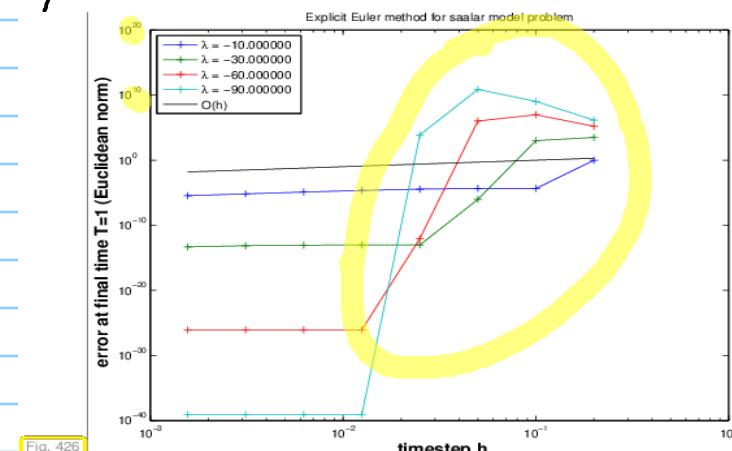
186 successful steps  
55 failed attempts  
1447 function evaluations

ode45 for  $dy = 500.000000 y^2(1-y)$



### 12.1. Model Problem Analysis

Explicit Euler for  $\dot{y} = \lambda y$ ,  $y(0) = 1$   
 $y(t) = e^{\lambda t} \rightarrow 0$  for  $t \rightarrow \infty$   $\rightarrow$  decay equation,  $\lambda < 0$



$\rightarrow$  blow-up of  $y_k$  for big  $h$

$\lambda$  large: blow-up of  $y_k$  for large timestep  $h$

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Expl. Euler:  
for  $f(y) = \lambda y$

$$y_{k+1} = y_k + \lambda h y_k = (1 + \lambda h) y_k$$

$$\Rightarrow y_k = (1 + \lambda h)^k y_0$$

If  $|1 + \lambda h| > 1 \Rightarrow y_k \rightarrow \pm \infty$  for  $k \rightarrow \infty$   
 $|1 + \lambda h| < 1 \Rightarrow y_k \rightarrow 0$

$|\lambda h| > 2 \Rightarrow$  blow-up

$$\Rightarrow h < \frac{2}{|\lambda|} : \text{timestep constraint}$$

Ex.: Expl. trapezoidal method

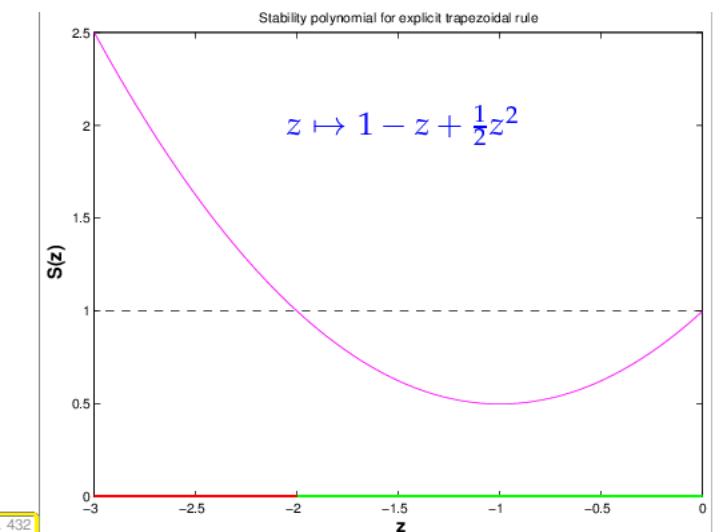
$$\begin{array}{c|cc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow k_1 = f(y_0)$$

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} & & \\ \hline & 1 & 0 \\ \hline & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array} \Rightarrow k_2 = f(y_0 + h k_1)$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + \frac{1}{2} h (k_0 + k_1)$$

$$y = \lambda y : y_1 = \underbrace{(1 + \lambda h + \frac{1}{2} (\lambda h)^2)}_{=: S(\lambda h)} y_0$$

$$y_k = S(\lambda h)^k y_0$$



Clearly, blow-up can be avoided only if  $|S(h\lambda)| \leq 1$ :

$$|S(h\lambda)| < 1 \Leftrightarrow -2 < h\lambda < 0.$$

Qualitatively correct decay behavior of  $(y_k)_k$  only under **timestep constraint**

$$h \leq |2/\lambda|. \quad (12.1.10)$$

↳ the stability function for the explicit trapezoidal method

### Definition 11.4.9. Explicit Runge-Kutta method

For  $b_i, a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $c_i := \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij}$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, s$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{N}$ , an  $s$ -stage explicit Runge-Kutta single step method (RK-SSM) for the ODE  $\dot{y} = f(t, y)$ ,  $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ , is defined by ( $y_0 \in D$ )

$$\mathbf{k}_i := \mathbf{f}(t_0 + c_i h, \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j), \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \quad \mathbf{y}_1 := \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_i.$$

The vectors  $\mathbf{k}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$ , are called **increments**,  $h > 0$  is the size of the timestep.

for  $f(y) = \lambda y :$

$\mathbf{k}_i = \lambda(\mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j)$ ,  $\downarrow$  from Butcher scheme

$$k_i = \lambda(y_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} k_j), \quad y_1 = y_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i k_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} - z \mathbf{A} & 0 \\ -z \mathbf{b}^\top & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{k} \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (12.1.12)$$

$$y_1 = (1 + z \mathbf{b}^\top (\mathbf{I} - z \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{1}) y_0$$

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**Theorem 12.1.15.** Stability function of explicit Runge-Kutta methods → [?, Thm. 77.2], [?, Sect. 11.8.4]

The discrete evolution  $\Psi_\lambda^h$  of an explicit  $s$ -stage Runge-Kutta single step method (→ Def. 11.4.9) with Butcher scheme  $\begin{array}{c|cc} c & \mathfrak{A} \\ \hline & b^T \end{array}$  (see (11.4.11)) for the ODE  $\dot{y} = \lambda y$  amounts to a multiplication with the number

$$\Psi_\lambda^h = S(\lambda h) \Leftrightarrow y_1 = S(\lambda h)y_0,$$

where  $S$  is the **stability function**

$$S(z) := 1 + z\mathbf{b}^T(\mathbf{I} - z\mathfrak{A})^{-1}\mathbf{1} = \det(\mathbf{I} - z\mathfrak{A} + z\mathbf{1}\mathbf{b}^T), \quad \mathbf{1} := [1, \dots, 1]^\top \in \mathbb{R}^s. \quad (12.1.16)$$

$$\Rightarrow y_k = S(\lambda h)^k y_0$$

$|S(\lambda h)| > 1 \Rightarrow \text{blow-up for } k \rightarrow \infty$

Explicit Euler method (11.2.7):

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} 0 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & \end{array} \Rightarrow S(z) = 1 + z.$$

Explicit trapezoidal method (11.4.6):

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \end{array} \Rightarrow S(z) = 1 + z + \frac{1}{2}z^2.$$

Classical RK4 method:

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \hline & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{2}{6} & \frac{2}{6} & \frac{1}{6} \end{array} \Rightarrow S(z) = 1 + z + \frac{1}{2}z^2 + \frac{1}{6}z^3 + \frac{1}{24}z^4.$$

**Corollary 12.1.18.** Polynomial stability function of explicit RK-SSM

For a consistent (→ Def. 11.3.10)  $s$ -stage explicit Runge-Kutta single step method according to Def. 11.4.9 the stability function  $S$  defined by (12.1.16) is a non-constant polynomial of degree  $\leq s$ :  $S \in \mathcal{P}_s$ .

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} |S(z)| = \infty$$

$\mathcal{S}_\psi := \{z : |S(z)| \leq 1\}$  is bounded

$$z = \lambda h$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lambda h \in \mathcal{S}_\psi}$$

⇒ **timestep constraint** necessary to avoid blow-up

Only if one ensures that  $|\lambda h|$  is sufficiently small, one can avoid exponentially increasing approximations  $y_k$  (qualitatively wrong for  $\lambda < 0$ ) when applying an explicit RK-SSM to the model problem (12.1.3) with uniform timestep  $h > 0$ ,

Next simplest model problem: Linear system of ODE

$$\dot{x} = Mx, \quad M \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$$

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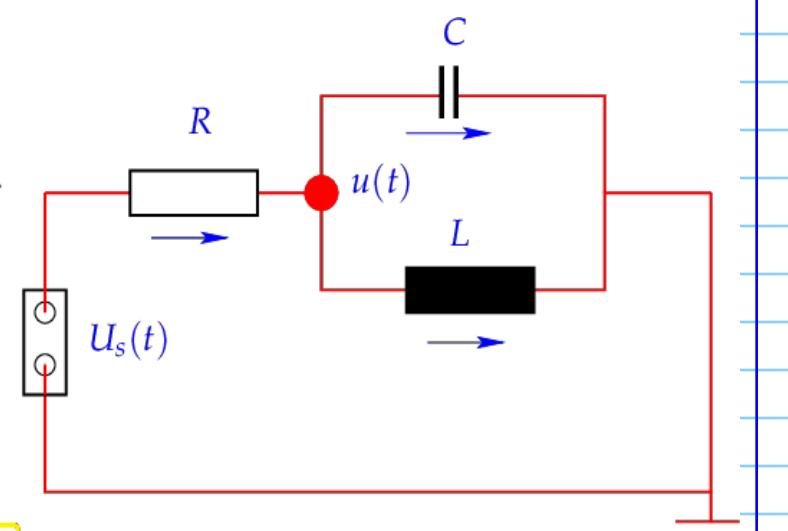
Consider circuit from Ex. 11.1.13

▷

Transient nodal analysis leads to the second-order linear ODE

$$\ddot{u} + \alpha \dot{u} + \beta u = g(t),$$

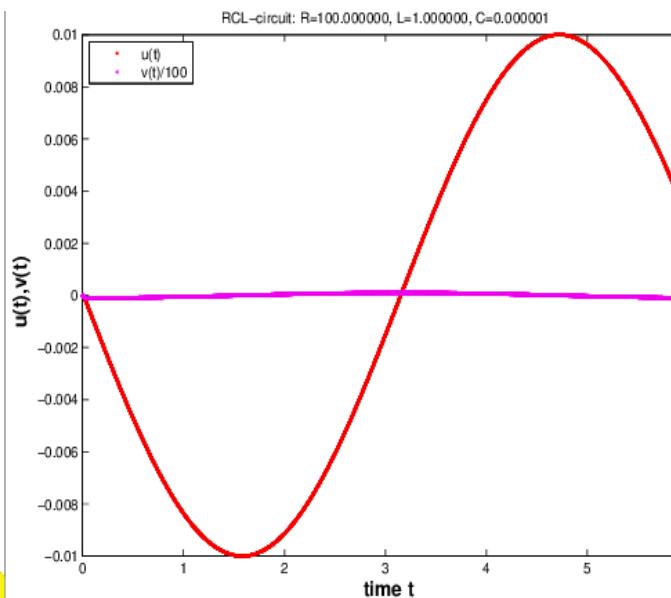
with coefficients  $\alpha := (RC)^{-1}$ ,  $\beta = (LC)^{-1}$ ,  $g(t) = \alpha \dot{U}_s(t)$ .



$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{u} \\ \dot{v} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\beta & -\alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ g(t) \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{with } \begin{bmatrix} \dot{u} \\ \dot{v} \end{bmatrix} =: \dot{\mathbf{y}}$$

$$=: \mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{y})$$

$$\beta \gg \alpha \gg 1$$



$R = 100\Omega$ ,  $L = 1H$ ,  $C = 1\mu F$ ,  $U_s(t) = 1V \sin(t)$ ,  $u(0) = v(0) = 0$  ("switch on")

ode45 statistics:

17897 successful steps  
1090 failed attempts  
113923 function evaluations

Inefficient: way more timesteps than required for resolving smooth solution, cf. remark in the end of § 12.1.24.

Expl. Euler:  $\dot{\mathbf{y}} = M\mathbf{y}$

Diagonalize:  $V^{-1}M V = D = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d) \in \mathbb{C}^{d,d}$   
 $\uparrow$   
eigenvalue

▷ Sol. of ODE:  $\mathbf{y}(t) = V \text{diag}(e^{\lambda_i t})_{i=1}^d V^{-1} \mathbf{y}_0$   
If  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i < 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{y}(t) \rightarrow 0$  for  $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\text{E.E.: } \mathbf{y}_{k+1} = \mathbf{y}_k + h M \mathbf{y}_k = \mathbf{y}_k + h V D V^{-1} \mathbf{y}_k$$

$$\underline{\mathbf{z}}_k := V^{-1} \mathbf{y}_k \Rightarrow \underline{\mathbf{z}}_{k+1} = \underline{\mathbf{z}}_k + h D \underline{\mathbf{z}}_k$$

(\*)

$$(\underline{\mathbf{z}}_{k+1})_i = (\underline{\mathbf{z}}_k)_i + h \lambda_i (\underline{\mathbf{z}}_k)_i$$

E. Bul. recursion for  $\dot{\underline{\mathbf{z}}} = \lambda_i \underline{\mathbf{z}}$

Blow-up of  $\mathbf{y}_k \Leftrightarrow \|\underline{\mathbf{z}}_k\| \rightarrow \infty$  for  $k \rightarrow \infty$

$\Leftrightarrow |(\underline{\mathbf{z}}_k)_i| \rightarrow \infty$  for  $k \rightarrow \infty$   
and one  $i \in \{1, \dots, d\}$

(\*)  $\Leftrightarrow |1 + h \lambda_i| > 1$  for some  $i \in \{1, \dots, d\}$

⑤ Avoid blow-up :  $h < \frac{2}{|\lambda_i|} \quad \forall i=1,\dots,d$

Repetition : Model problem :  $\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \lambda \mathbf{y}, \lambda < 0$

$$\text{RK-SSM} : \quad \mathbf{y}_{k+1} = S(\lambda h) \mathbf{y}_k$$

Stability function  $\in \mathcal{P}_s$

$$\text{no blow-up of } (\mathbf{y}_k) \Leftrightarrow |S(\lambda h)| \leq 1$$

$\rightarrow$  timestep constraint

#### Definition 11.4.9. Explicit Runge-Kutta method

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$$\mathbf{k}_i := \mathbf{f}\left(t_0 + c_i h, \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j\right), \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \quad \mathbf{y}_1 := \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_i.$$

The vectors  $\mathbf{k}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, s$ , are called increments,  $h > 0$  is the size of the timestep.

$$\text{Apply to } \dot{\mathbf{y}} = M\mathbf{y} = VDV^{-1}\mathbf{y}$$

$$\mathbf{k}_i = M\left(\mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j\right) \quad | \cdot V^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{z}_k = V^{-1} \mathbf{y}_k, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{k}}_i := V^{-1} \mathbf{k}_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{k}}_i = \mathcal{D} \left( \mathbf{z}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} \tilde{\mathbf{k}}_j \right) \quad \leftarrow \text{decoupled}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ (\tilde{\mathbf{k}}_i)_e = \lambda_e ((\mathbf{z}_0)_e + h \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ej} (\tilde{\mathbf{k}}_j)_e) \right]_{e=1,\dots,d}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}} = M\mathbf{y} \xrightarrow{\text{Diagonalization}} \dot{\mathbf{z}}_e = \lambda_e z_e$$

RK-SSM

$\Psi_h$

$$[\mathbf{y}_i = \Psi_h \mathbf{y}_0]$$

RK-SSM

Diagonalization

$\Psi_{e,h}$

[RK-SSM disc eol.  
for  $\dot{\mathbf{z}}_e = \lambda_e z_e$ ]

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No blow-up of  $(y_k)$   $\Leftrightarrow$  no blow-up for  $(z_{\ell,k})_k$

### Theorem 12.1.46. (Absolute) stability of explicit RK-SSM for linear systems of ODEs

The sequence  $(y_k)_k$  of approximations generated by an explicit RK-SSM ( $\rightarrow$  Def. 11.4.9) with stability function  $S$  (defined in (12.1.16)) applied to the linear autonomous ODE  $\dot{y} = My, M \in \mathbb{C}^{d,d}$ , with uniform timestep  $h > 0$  decays exponentially for every initial state  $y_0 \in \mathbb{C}^d$ , if and only if  $|S(\lambda_i h)| < 1$  for all eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  of  $M$ .

Recall : Even if  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$  :  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{C}$  possible

$\rightarrow$  Study  $|S(z)|$  also for  $z \in \mathbb{C}$

### Definition 12.1.49. Region of (absolute) stability

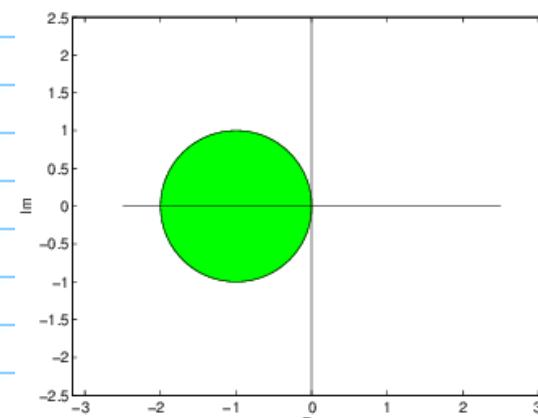
Let the discrete evolution  $\Psi$  for a single step method applied to the scalar linear ODE  $\dot{y} = \lambda y$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , be of the form

$$\Psi^h y = S(z)y, \quad y \in \mathbb{C}, h > 0 \quad \text{with} \quad z := h\lambda \quad (12.1.50)$$

and a function  $S : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Then the **region of (absolute) stability** of the single step method is given by

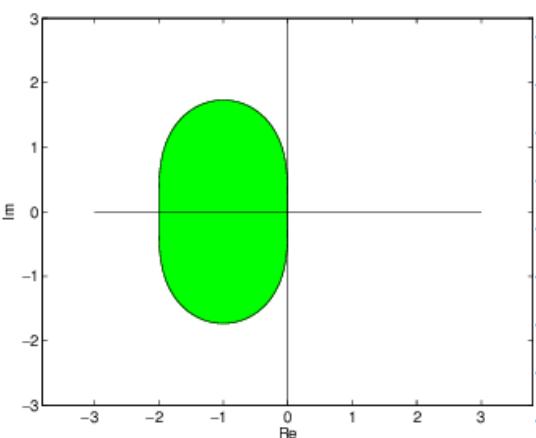
$$\mathcal{S}_\Psi := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |S(z)| < 1\} \subset \mathbb{C}.$$

$$y_k = S(z)^k y_0 \Rightarrow |y_k| = |S(z)|^k |y_0|$$

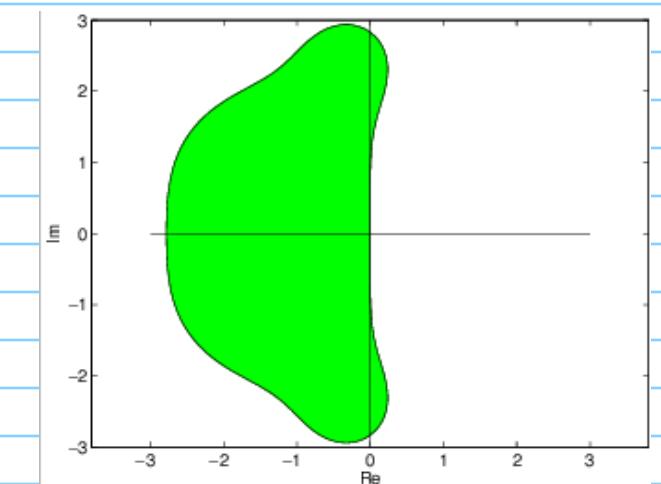


$\mathcal{S}_\Psi$ : explicit Euler (11.2.7)

$$S(z) = 1 + z$$



$\mathcal{S}_\Psi$ : explicit trapezoidal method



$\mathcal{S}_\Psi$ : classical RK4 method

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## 12.2. Stiff initial value Problems

Ex:

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} + \lambda(1 - \|y\|^2) \mathbf{y}$$

If  $\|\mathbf{y}_0\| = 1 \Rightarrow \|\mathbf{y}(t)\| = 1$

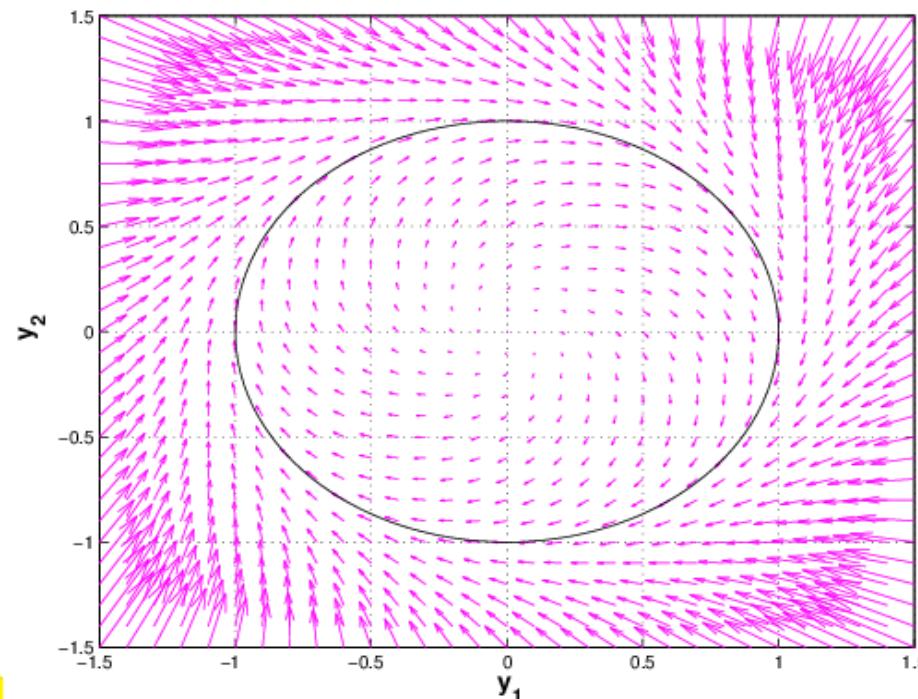


Fig. 439

vectorfield  $\mathbf{f} (\lambda = 1)$ 

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y})$$

for  $t \ll 1 : \mathbf{y}(t) \approx \mathbf{y}_0$

Linearize :  $\dot{\mathbf{y}} \approx \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}_0) + D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}_0)(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}_0)$

(affine) linear ODE

$$[\quad \dot{\mathbf{y}} = M\mathbf{y} + \underline{b} \quad]$$

$\Rightarrow$  For small times  $t \rightarrow \mathbf{y}(t)$  behaves like the solution of an affine linear ODE

"Linearization of RK-SSM"

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}) \xrightarrow{\text{Linearization}} \dot{\mathbf{y}} = D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}_0)\mathbf{y} + \underline{b}$$

RK-SSM

 $\varphi_h$ 

RK-SSM

 $\tilde{\varphi}_h$ 

Linearization  
of increment eqn.  
(by Taylor exp.)

⑧

for small timestep the behavior of an explicit RK-SSM applied to  $\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y})$  close to the state  $\mathbf{y}_0$  is determined by the eigenvalues of the Jacobian  $D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}_0)$ .

If  $D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}_0)$  has an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  with large modulus  $\Rightarrow$  time-step constraint to avoid blow-up

[ However, if  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{y}(t)$  grows exponentially  $\rightarrow$  blow-up of numerical solution not a concern.]

Ex cont'd:

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} + \lambda(1 - \|\mathbf{y}\|^2) \mathbf{y}, \quad \|\mathbf{y}_0\|_2 = 1, \quad \lambda \gg 1 \quad (12.2.6)$$

satisfies  $\|\mathbf{y}(t)\|_2 = 1$  for all times. Using the product rule (8.4.10) of multi-dimensional differential calculus, we find

$$D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda(-2\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}^\top + (1 - \|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2)\mathbf{I}).$$

$$\sigma(D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y})) = \{-\lambda - \sqrt{\lambda^2 - 1}, -\lambda + \sqrt{\lambda^2 - 1}\}, \text{ if } \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 = 1.$$

$[\text{EV} = \text{eigenvalue}]$

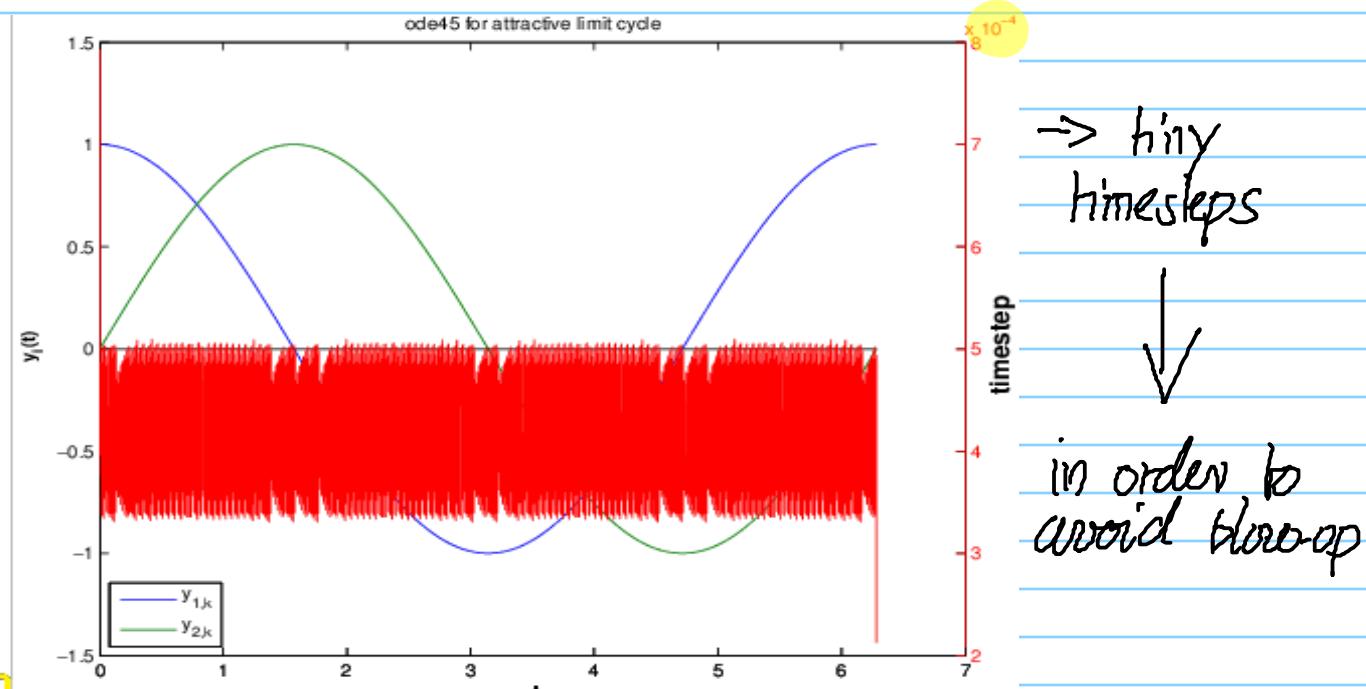
$$\operatorname{Re} \text{EV} \ll 0 \quad \operatorname{Re} \text{EV} \approx 0$$

$\hookrightarrow$  expect a severe timestep constraint to achieve  $|S(\text{EV} \cdot h)| \leq 1$

Example:  $\dot{y} = f(y) = \lambda y^2(1-y)$ ,  $\lambda \gg 1$

$$y = 1 : \quad f'(1) = -\lambda$$

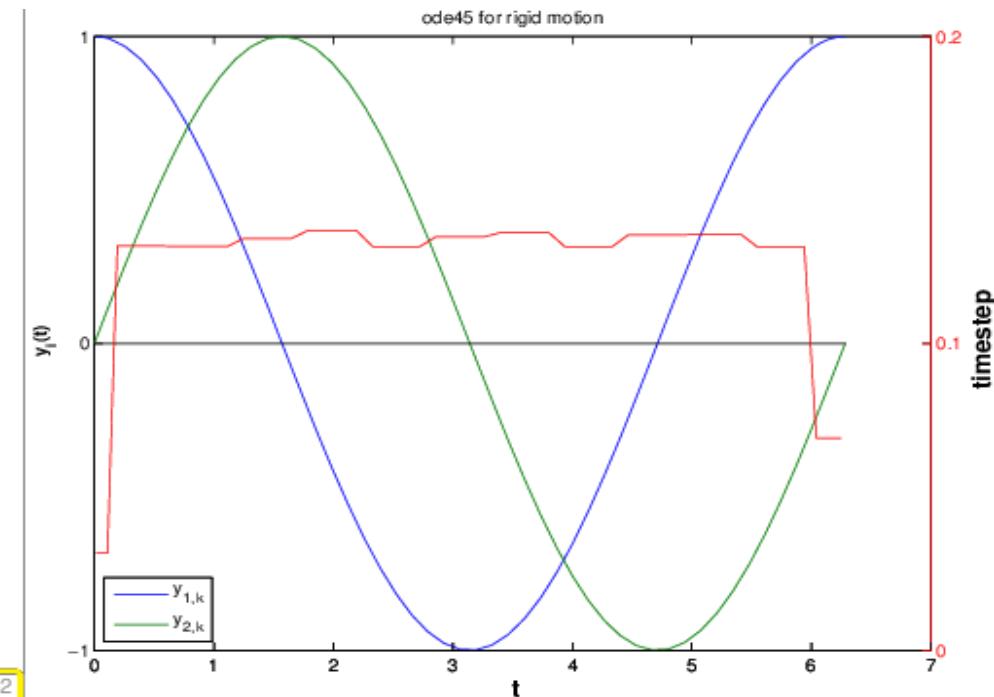
$\Rightarrow$  Behavior of adaptive RK-SSM



many (3794) steps ( $\lambda = 1000$ )

$\Rightarrow$  Stability induced timestep constraint

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accurate solution with few steps ( $\lambda = 0$ )

#### Notion 12.2.9. Stiff IVP

An initial value problem is called **stiff**, if stability imposes much tighter timestep constraints on **explicit single step methods** than the accuracy requirements.

#### How to distinguish stiff initial value problems

An initial value problem for an autonomous ODE  $\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y})$  will probably be stiff, if, for substantial periods of time,

$$\min\{\operatorname{Re} \lambda : \lambda \in \sigma(D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}(t)))\} \ll 0, \quad (12.2.15)$$

$$\max\{0, \operatorname{Re} \lambda : \lambda \in \sigma(D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}(t)))\} \approx 0, \quad (12.2.16)$$

where  $t \mapsto \mathbf{y}(t)$  is the solution trajectory and  $\sigma(\mathbf{M})$  is the spectrum of the matrix  $\mathbf{M}$ , see Def. 9.1.1.

Typical features of stiff IVPs:

- ◆ Presence of **fast transients** in the solution, see Ex. 12.1.1, Ex. 12.1.33,
- ◆ Occurrence of **strongly attractive** fixed points/limit cycles, see Ex. 12.2.5

## 12.3. Implicit RK-SSM

### 12.3.1. Implicit Euler method for stiff IVPs

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}, \quad \mathbf{A} \ll 0$$

$$1. \text{ Evol. [timestep } h]: \quad \mathbf{y}_{k+1} = \mathbf{y}_k + h\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}_{k+1}$$

$$\mathbf{y}_{k+1} = \frac{1}{1-h\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{y}_k$$

$$\text{no blow-up} \Leftrightarrow \left| \frac{1}{1-h\mathbf{A}} \right| \leq 1 : \text{satisfied } \forall h \geq 0!$$

→ **unconditional stability**

For any timestep, the implicit Euler method generates exponentially decaying solution sequences  $(\mathbf{y}_k)_{k=0}^{\infty}$  for  $\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{y}$  with diagonalizable matrix  $\mathbf{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$  with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_d$ , if  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i < 0$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, d$ .

▷ Impl. Euler immune to stability induced timestep constraints for stiff IVP

- :( only 1-st order
- :( implicit

(1D)

Higher-order generalizations of impl. Euler:

### Definition 12.3.18. General Runge-Kutta single step method (cf. Def. 11.4.9)

For  $b_i, a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $c_i := \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij}$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, s$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{N}$ , an  $s$ -stage Runge-Kutta single step method (RK-SSM) for the IVP (11.1.20) is defined by

$$\mathbf{k}_i := \mathbf{f}(t_0 + c_i h, \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j), \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \quad \mathbf{y}_1 := \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_i.$$

As before, the  $\mathbf{k}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$  are called **increments**.

non-linear system of equ.  
with  $s \cdot d$  unknowns

impl. Euler:  $s = 1$ ,  $a_{11} = 1$ ,  $b_1 = 1$

### General Butcher scheme notation for RK-SSM

Shorthand notation for Runge-Kutta methods

Butcher scheme

Note: now  $\mathfrak{A}$  can be a general  $s \times s$ -matrix.

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc} \mathbf{c} & \mathfrak{A} \\ \hline & \mathbf{b}^T & & & & \end{array} := \begin{array}{c|ccccc} c_1 & a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1s} & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & & & \\ c_s & a_{s1} & \cdots & a_{ss} & & & \\ \hline b_1 & \cdots & b_s & & & & \end{array}. \quad (12.3.20)$$

▷ Coefficients by solving so-called order equations  
 ↳ tabulated

→ Increment equations are usually solved by simplified Newton method:

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{x}^{(k)} - \mathcal{D}\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})^{-1} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})$$

$$\text{for } \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = 0$$

Stage form of increment equations for  $\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y})$

$$d=1: \quad g_i := h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} k_j \Leftrightarrow k_i = f(y_0 + g_i)$$

$$= h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} f(y_0 + g_j)$$

$$\vec{g} := \begin{bmatrix} g_1 \\ \vdots \\ g_s \end{bmatrix} :$$

$$\mathbf{F}(\vec{g}) = 0$$

$$\text{with } \mathbf{F}(\vec{g}) := \vec{g} - h \mathcal{A} \begin{bmatrix} f(y_0 + g_1) \\ \vdots \\ f(y_0 + g_s) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Initial guess: } \vec{g}^{(0)} = \underline{0}$$

$$\mathcal{D}\mathbf{F}(\underline{0}) = \mathbf{I} - h \mathcal{A} \begin{bmatrix} f'(y_0) & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & f'(y_s) \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{s,s}$$

## 12.3.4 Model problem analysis for implicit RK-SSM

Apply RK-SSM :  $\dot{y} = \lambda y$  [ $\rightarrow$  linear ODE]

**Definition 12.3.18. General Runge-Kutta single step method (cf. Def. 11.4.9)**

For  $b_i, a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $c_i := \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij}$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, s$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{N}$ , an  $s$ -stage Runge-Kutta single step method (RK-SSM) for the IVP (11.1.20) is defined by

$$\mathbf{k}_i := \mathbf{f}(t_0 + c_i h, \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} \mathbf{k}_j), \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \quad \mathbf{y}_1 := \mathbf{y}_0 + h \sum_{i=1}^s b_i \mathbf{k}_i.$$

As before, the  $\mathbf{k}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$  are called **increments**.

$$k_i = \lambda y_0 + h \sum_{j=1}^s a_{ij} k_j$$

$$z := \lambda h$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + h \sum b_i k_i$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} I - zA & 0 \\ -h b^T & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ \vdots \\ k_s \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda y_0 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda y_0 \\ y_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 = y_0 + h b^T (I - zA)^{-1} \lambda y_0 \underset{\mathbf{1}}{=} S(z) y_0$$

**Theorem 12.3.27. Stability function of Runge-Kutta methods, cf. Thm. 12.1.15**

[Stability function of general Runge-Kutta methods]

The discrete evolution  $\Psi_\lambda^h$  of an  $s$ -stage Runge-Kutta single step method ( $\rightarrow$  Def. 12.3.18) with

Butcher scheme  $\begin{array}{c|cc} \mathbf{c} & \mathbf{A} \\ \hline & \mathbf{b}^T \end{array}$  (see (12.3.20)) for the ODE  $\dot{y} = \lambda y$  is given by a multiplication with

$$S(z) := \underbrace{1 + z \mathbf{b}^T (I - zA)^{-1} \mathbf{1}}_{\text{stability function}} = \frac{\det(I - zA + z \mathbf{b}^T)}{\det(I - zA)}, \quad z := \lambda h, \quad \mathbf{1} = [1, \dots, 1]^T \in \mathbb{R}^s.$$

↑

Cramer's rule

$\triangleright S(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)}, \quad p, q \in \mathcal{P}_s$

$\hookrightarrow$  a rational function

$$\mathcal{S}_\Psi = \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |S(z)| \leq 1 \}$$

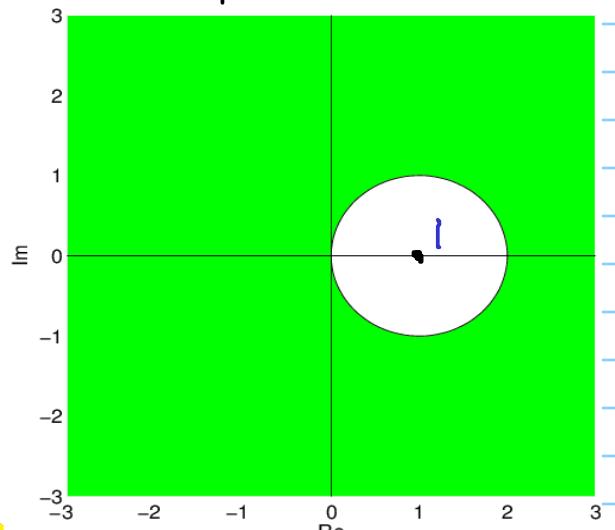


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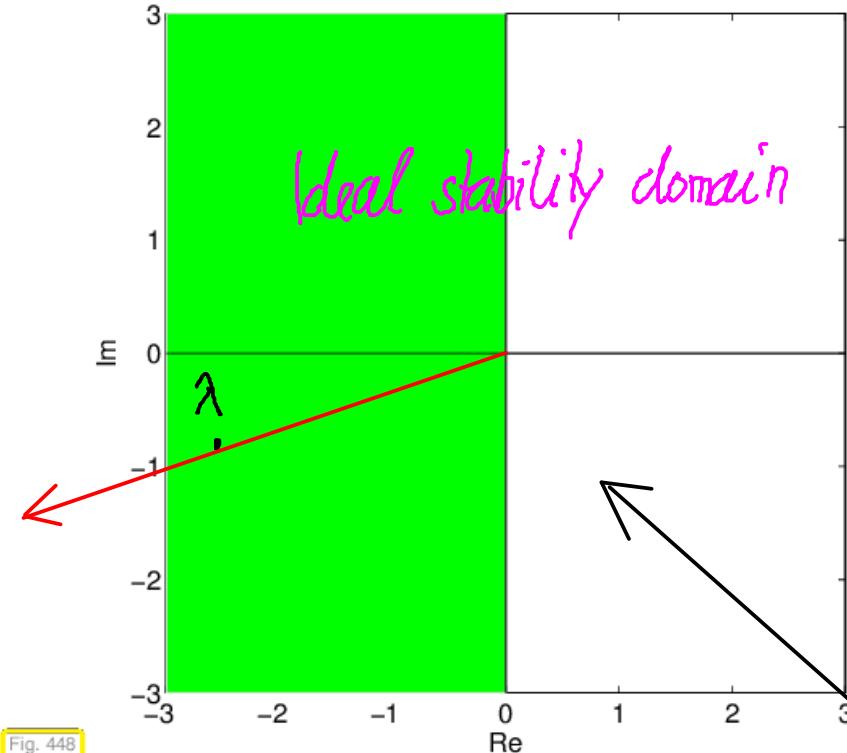
$\mathcal{S}_\Psi$ : implicit Euler method (11.2.13)

Impl. Euler

$$|S(z)| = \frac{1}{|1-z|}$$

$$\left[ \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} S(z) = 0 \right]$$

$\leftarrow$  Unbounded  $S_\Psi$



$$\frac{1}{2} \mid \frac{1}{2}$$

implicit midpoint  
method

$$S(z) = \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}z}{1 - \frac{1}{2}z}$$

$S_\Psi$ : implicit midpoint method (11.2.18)

= Ideal stability domain :

$$y_1 = S(\lambda h) y_0$$

$$y(h) = e^{\lambda h} y_0$$

= "ideal stability function"

$$|e^z| = e^{\operatorname{Re} z} < 1 \Leftrightarrow \operatorname{Re} z < 0$$

$$h\lambda \in \mathcal{S}_\Psi \quad \forall h > 0 \quad [\operatorname{Re} \lambda < 0]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \{z \in \mathbb{C}, \operatorname{Re} z < 0\} \subset \mathcal{S}_\Psi$$

### Definition 12.3.32. A-stability of a Runge-Kutta single step method

A Runge-Kutta single step method with stability function  $S$  is **A-stable**, if

$$\mathbb{C}^- := \{z \in \mathbb{C}: \operatorname{Re} z < 0\} \subset \mathcal{S}_\Psi. \quad (\mathcal{S}_\Psi \triangleq \text{region of stability Def. 12.1.49})$$