A Numerical Method for Solving Ricatti Differential Equations

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ABSTRACT. By adding a suitable real function on both sides of the quadratic Riccati differential equation, we propose a weighted type of Adams-Bashforth rules for solving it, in which moments are used instead of the constant coefficients of Adams-Bashforth rules. Numerical results reveal that the proposed method is efficient and can be applied for other nonlinear problems.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The Riccati differential equations indicated by
\[ y'(x) = p(x)y^2(x) + q(x)y(x) + r(x), \]
\[ y(x_0) = y_0, \quad x_0 \leq x \leq x_f, \tag{1.1} \]
play a significant role in many fields of applied science [10, 11, 18, 19]. For example, a one-dimensional static Schrödinger equation is closely related to (1.1) [13, 19, 20]. Solitary wave solutions of a nonlinear partial differential
equation can be expressed as a polynomial in two elementary functions satisfying a projective Riccati equation \([10, 11, 17, 19, 20]\). Such types of equations also arise in optimal control problems. It is clear that Riccati differential equations with constant coefficients can be explicitly solved by using various methods \([10, 11, 17, 19]\). In recent years, various types of these equations have been numerically solved by using different techniques such as variational iteration method \([11]\), He’s variational method \([1]\), the cubic B-spline scaling functions and Chebyshev cardinal functions \([14]\), the homotopy perturbation method \([2, 3]\), the modified variational iteration method \([10]\), the Taylor matrix method \([12]\), the Adomian decomposition method \([6]\) and a new form of homotopy perturbation method \([4]\).

In this paper, by adding a suitable real function on both sides of equation (1.1) we propose a weighted kind of Adams-Bashforth rules for solving this type of nonlinear differential equations in which moments are used instead of the constant coefficients of Adams-Bashforth rules. In other words, for each Riccati differential equation we can obtain a new set of coefficients depending on a new weighting factor.

In Section 2, we formulate Adams-Bashforth methods \([5, 7, 9]\) and weighted Adams-Bashforth methods in terms of Stirling numbers. Then, we show how to choose the suitable weight function in order to establish a weighted Adams-Bashforth method. Finally, in Section 4, some numerical examples are given to show the efficiency of the proposed methods for solving Riccati differential equations.

2. Explicit Forms of Weighted Adams-Bashforth Rules for Riccati Differential Equations

It is known that the first kind of Stirling numbers can be generated via the relation

\[
\sum_{k=0}^{n} S(n, k) x^k = (x)_n = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} (x - i),
\]

where \((x)_0 = 1\), while the second kind of Stirling numbers has the explicit form

\[
S_2(n, k) = \frac{(-1)^k}{k!} \sum_{i=1}^{k} (-1)^i \binom{k}{i} i^n \quad \text{for} \quad \frac{k!}{i!(k-i)!}.
\]

There is a direct connection between the first and second kind of Stirling numbers \([8]\) as follows

\[
S_2(n, m) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-m} (-1)^k \binom{n-1+k}{n-m+k} \binom{2n-m}{n-m-k} S(k - m + n, k),
\]
and conversely
\[ S(n, m) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-m} (-1)^k \binom{n-1+k}{n-m+k} \binom{2n-m}{n-m-k} S_2(k-m+n, k). \]

Now, consider equation (1.1) and let for convenience

\[ F(x, y) = p(x)y^2(x) + q(x)y(x) + r(x). \]

If the main interval \([x_0, x_f]\) with the stepsize \(h = \frac{x_f - x_0}{n}\) is divided, then by using the backward Newton interpolation formula \([15, 16]\) we have for \(F(x, y)\) that

\[ F(x, y) \approx \sum_{i=0}^{s} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \lambda^i F_n. \]  \quad (2.1)

By integrating from both sides of equation (1.1) over \([x_n, x_{n+1}]\) and then applying (2.1) we get

\[
y(x_{n+1}) - y(x_n) = \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} F(x, y)dx \\
= \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} \left( \sum_{i=0}^{s} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \lambda^i F_n \right) dx + E \\
= \int_{0}^{1} \left( \sum_{i=0}^{s} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \lambda^i F_n \right) h d\lambda + E \\
= h \sum_{i=0}^{s} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \int_{0}^{1} \frac{\Phi^i + 1(x)}{i+1} d\lambda + E \\
= h \sum_{i=0}^{s} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} \sum_{k=0}^{i} (-1)^k S(i, k) \lambda^k + E,
\]

where \(x = x_n + \lambda h\) and \(E\) is the truncation error denoted by

\[ E = \left| \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} \frac{(x - x_n)(x - x_{n-1}) \cdots (x - x_{n-s})}{(s+1)!} F^{(s+1)}(\xi_x)(y(\xi_x))d\lambda \right|, \]  \quad (2.3)

where \(\xi_x \in [x_{n-s}, x_n]\). Since

\[ \frac{\Phi^i F_n}{h^i i!} = \sum_{j=0}^{i} \frac{F(x_{n-j}, y(x_{n-j}))}{\Phi^i_{j+1}(x_{n-j})}, \]

in which

\[ \Phi^i_{j+1}(x) = \prod_{k=0}^{i} (x - x_{n-k}) = \sum_{k=0}^{i+1} (-h)^{i+1-k} S(i+1, k)(t - t_n)^k, \]
and
\[ \Phi_{i+1}(x_{n-j}) = (-h)^i \sum_{k=0}^{j} j^k (k+1) S(i+1, k+1), \]

relation (2.2) is simplified as
\[
y(x_{n+1}) - y(x_n) \\ 
\cong h \sum_{i=0}^{s} (-1)^i h^i \sum_{j=0}^{i} \frac{F(x_{n-i}, y(x_{n-i}))}{(-h)^i} \sum_{k=0}^{j} j^k (k+1) S(i+1, k+1) \sum_{k=0}^{i} (-1)^k \frac{S(i, k)}{k+1} \\
= h \sum_{i=0}^{s} \sum_{j=0}^{i} \frac{F(x_{n-i}, y(x_{n-i}))}{j!} \sum_{k=0}^{j} j^k (k+1) S(i+1, k+1) \sum_{k=0}^{j} (-1)^k \frac{S(i, k)}{k+1} \\
= h \sum_{i=0}^{s} \sum_{j=0}^{i} \frac{v_{n-i} F(x_{n-i}, y(x_{n-i}))}{j!} \sum_{k=0}^{j} j^k (k+1) S(i+1, k+1) \sum_{k=0}^{j} (-1)^k \frac{S(i, k)}{k+1} \\
= \sum_{i=0}^{s} v_{n-i} F(x_{n-i}, y(x_{n-i})),
\]

where
\[
v_{n-i} = h \sum_{j=0}^{i} \frac{(-1)^j \frac{S(j, k)}{k+1}}{j!} \sum_{k=0}^{j} i^k (k+1) S(j+1, k+1).
\]

In other words, usual Adams-Bashforth rules for solving Riccati equation (1.1) take the general form
\[
y(x_{n+1}) \approx y(x_n) + \sum_{i=0}^{s} v_{n-i} (p(x_{n-i}) y^2(x_{n-i}) + q(x_{n-i}) y(x_{n-i}) + r(x_{n-i})),
\]

(2.5)

where \(v_{n-i}\) is defined as (2.4).

To improve Adams-Bashforth methods in (2.5), we consider equation (1.1) again and add \(a(x)y(x)\) to both side of (1.1) to get
\[
y'(x) + a(x)y(x) = p(x)y^2(x) + (q(x) + a(x))y(x) + r(x),
\]
\[
y(x_0) = y_0, \quad x_0 \leq x \leq x_f.
\]

(2.6)
Let
\[ w(x) = \exp \left( \int a(x) dx \right), \tag{2.7} \]
and assume for convenience that
\[ G(x, y) = F(x, y) + a(x)y(x) = p(x)y^2(x) + (q(x) + a(x))y(x) + r(x). \]
By applying the backward Newton interpolation formula for \( G(x, y) \) as
\[ G(x, y) \simeq \sum_{i=0}^{s} \frac{(-1)^i(-\lambda)_i}{i!} \nabla^i G_n, \]
and integrating from both sides of (2.6) over \([x_n, x_{n+1}]\) we obtain
\[ w(x_{n+1})y(x_{n+1}) - w(x_n)y(x_n) = \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} w(x)G(x, y)dx \]
\[ = \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} w(x) \left( \sum_{i=0}^{s} \frac{(-1)^i(-\lambda)_i}{i!} \nabla^i G_n \right) dx + E^* \]
\[ = \int_0^{1} w(x_n + h\lambda) \left( \sum_{i=0}^{s} \frac{(-1)^i(-\lambda)_i}{i!} \nabla^i G_n \right) h d\lambda + E^* \tag{2.8} \]
\[ = h \sum_{i=0}^{s} \frac{(-1)^i \nabla^i G_n}{i!} \int_0^{1} w(x_n + h\lambda) \sum_{k=0}^{i} (-1)^k S(i, k) \lambda^k d\lambda + E^* \]
\[ = h \sum_{i=0}^{s} \frac{(-1)^i \nabla^i G_n}{i!} \sum_{k=0}^{i} (-1)^k S(i, k) \int_0^{1} w(x_n + h\lambda) \lambda^k d\lambda + E^*, \]
where \( x = x_n + \lambda x \) and \( E^* \) is the truncation error denoted by
\[ E^* = \left| \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} w(x) \frac{(x - x_n)(x - x_{n-1}) \cdots (x - x_{n-s})}{(s+1)!} G^{(s+1)}(\eta_x, y(\eta_x)) dx \right|, \tag{2.9} \]
where \( \eta_x \in [x_{n-s}, x_n] \). Since
\[ \frac{\nabla^i G_n}{h^i i!} = \sum_{j=0}^{i} \frac{G(x_{n-j}, y(x_{n-j}))}{(j+1)i!} \sum_{k=0}^{i} j^k (k+1) S(i+1, k+1), \]
(2.8) is simplified as
\[ w(x_{n+1})y(x_{n+1}) - w(x_n)y(x_n) \]
\[ \simeq h \sum_{i=0}^{s} \sum_{j=0}^{i} \frac{G(x_{n-j}, y(x_{n-j}))}{\sum_{k=0}^{j} k^k (k+1)!} \sum_{k=0}^{i} (-1)^k S(i, k) \int_0^1 w(x_n + h\lambda)\lambda^k d\lambda \]
\[ = h \sum_{i=0}^{s} G(x_{n-i}, y(x_{n-i})) \sum_{j=0}^{i} \frac{\left( \sum_{k=0}^{j} (-1)^k S(j, k) \int_0^1 w(x_n + h\lambda)\lambda^k d\lambda \right)}{\sum_{k=0}^{j} i^k (k+1)! S(j+1, k+1)} \]
\[ = \sum_{i=0}^{s} w_{n-i}G(x_{n-i}, y(x_{n-i})) \]
where
\[ w_{n-i} = h \sum_{j=0}^{i} \sum_{k=0}^{j} (-1)^k S(j, k) \mu_k(x_n) / \sum_{k=0}^{j} i^k (k+1)! S(j+1, k+1), \] (2.10)
in which
\[ \mu_k(x_n) = \int_0^1 w(x_n + \lambda h)\lambda^k d\lambda = \frac{1}{h^{k+1}} \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} w(x)(x - x_n)^k dx, \]
denotes the moment of order \( k \) with respect to the weight \( w(x) \).

In conclusion, the weighted type of Adams-Bashforth rules for solving Riccati equation (1.1) takes the form
\[ w(x_{n+1})y(x_{n+1}) \simeq w(x_n)y(x_n) \]
\[ + \sum_{i=0}^{s} w_{n-i} \left( p(x_{n-i})y^2(x_{n-i}) + (q(x_{n-i}) + a(x_{n-i})) y(x_{n-i}) + r(x_{n-i}) \right), \] (2.11)
where \( w_{n-i} \) is defined as (2.10).

3. How to Choose the Weighting Factor \( a(x) \)?

In this section, we show how to choose the appropriate \( a(x) \) in (2.6) or equivalently \( w(x) \) in (2.7). For this purpose, we should first simplify the truncation errors of usual and weighted Adams-Bashforth methods.

**Lemma 3.1.** The truncation error of the formula (2.3) can be simplified as follows
\[ E = \frac{h^{s+2}}{(s+1)!} \left| F^{s+1}(\xi_x, y(\xi_x)) \left( \sum_{k=0}^{s+1} S(s+1, k) (-1)^k \right) \right|, \quad \xi_x \in (x_n, x_{n+1}). \] (3.1)
Proof. According to (2.3), assume that $F(s+1)(x, y)$ is a continuous function. Since $(x-x_0)(x-x_{n-1}) \cdots (x-x_{n-s})$ is a non-negative polynomial on $[x_n, x_{n+1}]$, the mean value theorem can be applied for integrals and then change of the variable $x - x_n = \lambda h$ gives (3.1).

Lemma 3.2. The truncation error of the formula (2.9) can be denoted by

$$E^* = \frac{h^{s+2}}{(s + 1)!} \left| G^{(s+1)}(\eta_x, y(\eta_x)) \left( k=0 \right. \left. \sum_{k=0}^{s+1} (-1)^k \mu^*(x_n, k) S(s + 1, k) \right) \right|,$$

where $\eta_x \in (x_n, x_{n+1})$.

In order to minimize $E^*$ in (3.2), the function $a(x)$ can be chosen in such a way that the condition

$$|G^{(s+1)}(x, y(x))| < \epsilon_0, \quad x \in (x_n, x_{n+1}),$$

(3.3)
is satisfied for any arbitrary small, but fixed $\epsilon_0 > 0$. For this purpose, we recall the Weierstrass approximation theorem, which says if $y(x)$ is a continuous function on $[\alpha, \beta]$ and $\epsilon > 0$ is given, then there exists a polynomial of free degree $n$ such that

$$|y(x) - p_n(x)| < \epsilon, \quad x \in [\alpha, \beta].$$

This means that any continuous function on a closed and bounded interval can be uniformly approximated by arbitrary polynomials. Hence, if we simultaneously suppose that the exact solution $y(x)$ tends to a polynomial of degree $m$, say $Q_m(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{m} q_k x^k$, and the function $G(x, y(x))$ tends to a polynomial of degree $\ell$ (where $\ell < s + 1$), say $p_{\ell}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\ell} r_k x^k$, then our goal will be satisfied. For example, if $\ell = s$, then it is sufficient to choose

$$G(x, y(x)) = p_s(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{s} r_k x^k$$
in order that the condition (3.3) is automatically satisfied. On the other hand, replacing the polynomial approximation $y(x) \cong Q_m(x)$ in the definition $G(x, y(x))$ yields

$$p_s(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{s} r_k x^k \cong p(x)(Q_m(x))^2 + (q(x) + a(x)) Q_m(x) + r(x).$$

Therefore, the suitable approximate $a(x)$ for Riccati differential equations takes the form

$$a(x) \cong p_s(x) - p(x)(Q_m(x))^2 - q(x)Q_m(x) - r(x) \left/ \overline{Q_m(x)} \right.$$

(3.4)

It is clear that for $m = m_1$ the above choice would be better than e.g. the case $m = m_2$ if

$$|y(x) - Q_{m_1}(x)| < |y(x) - Q_{m_2}(x)|, \quad x \in [\alpha, \beta].$$
Moreover, if \( \lim_{m \to \infty} Q_m(x) = y(x) \) then the approximation (3.4) will be transformed to the equality
\[
a(x) = \frac{p_s(x) - p(x)y^2(x) - q(x)y(x) - r(x)}{y(x)} = \frac{p_s(x) - y'(x)}{y(x)}.
\]

4. Numerical Results

To show the priority and efficiency of the weighted models (2.11) with respect to usual Adams-Bashforth methods, in this section we consider five numerical examples of the Riccati differential equation taken from [1, 10, 11, 17, 19, 20]. For each example, the step size, parameters \( s, m \) and the exact solution are given and also numerical results are shown in five tables in which \( y \) shows the exact solution at tested points and \( y_{AB}, y_{wAB}^{(m)} \) and \( y_{wAB} \) are respectively the approximate solutions corresponding to usual Adams Bashfoth method, weighted Adams Bashfoth method of order \( m \) and weighted Adams Bashfoth method of order \( m \to \infty \) (i.e. the exact solution).

Example 4.1. Consider the well-known equation taken from [10, 11, 17, 19]
\[
y' = 1 + x^2 - y^2, \quad (0 \leq x \leq 1) \quad (4.1)
\]
with the exact solution \( y(x) = x + e^{-x^2} \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt \).

Since \( F(x, y) = 1 + x^2 - y^2 + p_2(x) - 1 - x^2 + (Q^{(1)}_{10}(x))^2 \)
\[Q^{(1)}_{10}(x)\]
y,
and \( w_{10}^{(1)}(x) = \exp\left( \int p_2(x) - 1 - x^2 + (Q^{(1)}_{10}(x))^2 dx \right)\),

\[
G(x, y) = 1 + x^2 - y^2 + \frac{p_2(x) - 1 - x^2 + (Q^{(1)}_{10}(x))^2}{Q^{(1)}_{10}(x)} y,
\]
and
\[
w^{(1)}_{10}(x) = \exp\left( \int p_2(x) - 1 - x^2 + (Q^{(1)}_{10}(x))^2 dx \right),
\]
if for example we assume that \( p_2(x) = 0 \), then the weighted model of Adams-Bashforth method of order \( m = 10 \) takes the form

\[
 w^{(1)}_{10}(x_{n+1})y_{wAB}^{(m)}(x_{n+1}) = w^{(1)}_{10}(x_{n})y_{wAB}^{(m)}(x_{n})
 + h \left( \left( \mu_0(x_{n}) + \frac{3}{2} \mu_1^* (x_{n}) + \mu_2^*(x_{n}) \right) G(x_{n}, y(x_{n})) - \left( 2 \mu_1^*(x_{n}) + \mu_2^*(x_{n}) \right) G(x_{n-1}, y(x_{n-1})) \right),
\]

in which

\[
 \mu_k^*(x_{n}) = \frac{1}{h^{k+1}} \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} \exp\left( \int_{x_n}^{x} \frac{-1 - x^2 + (Q_{10}^{(1)}(x))^2}{Q_{10}^{(1)}(x)} dx \right) (x - x_n)^k dx.
\]

Similarly when \( m \to \infty \) we have

\[
 \lim_{m \to \infty} Q_{m}^{(1)}(x) = y(x) = x + \frac{e^{-x^2}}{1 + \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt}.
\]

In this case \( G(x, y) = p_2(x) = 0 \), and the weight function takes the form

\[
 w^{(1)}_{exact}(x) = \exp\left( \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt \right) = \frac{1 + \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt}{x + e^{-x^2} + x \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt}.
\]

Consequently, the weighted model (4.3) for the exact solution would be simplified as

\[
 w^{(1)}_{exact}(x_{n+1})y_{wAB}(x_{n+1}) = w^{(1)}_{exact}(x_{n})y_{wAB}(x_{n}), \quad (4.4)
\]

leading to the exact solution

\[
 y_{wAB}(x_{n+1}) = \frac{w^{(1)}_{exact}(x_0)(x_n + e^{-(x_n)})^2 + x_n \int_0^{x_n} e^{-t^2} dt}{1 + \int_0^{x_n} e^{-t^2} dt} y_{wAB}(x_0).
\]

Table 1 shows the numerical results of the three introduced models (4.2), (4.3) and (4.4) for \( h = 0.01 \). As we observe in this table, the results for weighted Adams-Bashforth method of order \( m = 10 \) are better than usual method and the results for weighted Adams-Bashforth method corresponding to the exact solution are much better than usual and \( m = 10 \) cases respectively. In this sense, Figure 1 clearly shows the priority of weighted models with respect to the usual Adams-Bashforth method for Example 1.

\[
\text{Example 4.2. Consider the Riccati equation}
\begin{align*}
 y' &= -\sin x + (\cos^2 x)y - (\cos x)y^2, \quad (0 \leq x \leq 1) \\
y(0) &= 1,
\end{align*}
\]

(4.5)
with the exact solution $y(x) = \cos x$.

Since $F(x, y) = -\sin x + (\cos^2 x)y - (\cos x)y^2$, the usual Adams-Bashforth
method for e.g. \( s = 2 \) would be in the form
\[
y_{AB}(x_{n+1}) = y_{AB}(x_n) + h \left( \frac{23}{12} F(x_n, y(x_n)) - \frac{4}{3} F(x_{n-1}, y(x_{n-1})) + \frac{5}{12} F(x_{n-2}, y(x_{n-2})) \right). \tag{4.6}
\]

For e.g. \( m = 5 \), the values \( \{y^{(i)}(0)\}_{i=0}^{5} \) can be computed from (4.5) directly. Therefore
\[
Q_5^{(2)}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{5} \frac{y^{(i)}(0)}{i!} x^i = \frac{x^4}{24} - \frac{x^2}{2} + 1
\]

Since in this example
\[
G(x, y) = - (\cos x) y^2 + (\cos^2 x)y - \sin x
+ \left( p_2(x) + (\cos x)Q_5^{(2)}(x) \right)^2 - (\cos^2 x)Q_5^{(2)}(x) + \sin x \right) y,
\]

and
\[
w_5^{(2)}(x) = \exp \left( \int \frac{p_2(x) + (\cos x)Q_5^{(2)}(x)^2 - (\cos^2 x)Q_5^{(2)}(x) + \sin x}{Q_5^{(2)}(x)} dx \right),
\]

if for example we assume that \( p_2(x) = 0 \), then the weighted model of Adams-Bashforth method of order \( m = 5 \) takes the form
\[
w_5^{(2)}(x_{n+1})\ y_{w,AB}^{(m)}(x_{n+1}) = w_5^{(2)}(x_n)\ y_{w,AB}^{(m)}(x_n)
+ h \left( \mu_0(x_n) + \frac{3}{2} \mu_1(x_n) + \mu_2(x_n) \right) G(x_n, y(x_n)) - \left( 2 \mu_1(x_n) + \mu_2(x_n) \right) G(x_{n-1}, y(x_{n-1})) \tag{4.7}
+ \frac{1}{2} \mu_1(x_n) + \mu_2(x_{n-1}) G(x_{n-2}, y(x_{n-2})) \right),
\]

in which
\[
\mu_k(x_n) = \frac{1}{k^{k+1}}
\times \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} \exp \left( \int \frac{p_2(x) + (\cos x)Q_5^{(2)}(x)^2 - (\cos^2 x)Q_5^{(2)}(x) + (\sin x)}{Q_5^{(2)}(x)} dx \right) (x - x_n)^k \ dx.
\]

Similarly when \( m \to \infty \) we have
\[
\lim_{m \to \infty} Q_m^{(2)}(x) = y(x) = \cos x.
\]

In this case \( G(x, y) = p_2(x) = 0 \), and the weight function takes the form
\[
w_{exact}^{(2)}(x) = \exp \left( \int \tan x \ dx \right) = \frac{1}{\cos x}.
\]

Therefore, the weighted model (4.7) for the exact solution would be simplified as
\[
w_{exact}^{(2)}(x_{n+1})\ y_{w,AB}(x_{n+1}) = w_{exact}^{(2)}(x_n)\ y_{w,AB}(x_n), \tag{4.8}
\]
leading to the exact solution
\[ y_{wAB}(x_{n+1}) = w^{(2)}_{exact}(x_0) \cos x_{n+1} y_{wAB}(x_0). \]

Table 2 shows the numerical results of the three introduced methods (4.6), (4.7) and (4.8) for \( h = 0.01 \). Also, Figure 2 again shows the priority of weighted models with respect to the usual Adams-Bashforth method for Example 2.

| \( z \) | \( y \) | \( y_{AB} \) | \( y_{AB}^{(m)} \) | \( y_{wAB} \) | \( |y - y_{AB}| \) | \( |y - y_{AB}^{(m)}| \) | \( |y - y_{wAB}| \) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0.04 | 0.9995500437 | 0.9995500444 | 0.9995500444 | 0.9995500444 | 3.0600 × 10^{-9} | 7.3571 × 10^{-10} | 7.3571 × 10^{-10} |
| 0.12 | 0.99939560979 | 0.99939560985 | 0.99939560985 | 0.99939560985 | 3.1549 × 10^{-8} | 6.6664 × 10^{-10} | 6.6664 × 10^{-10} |
| 0.20 | 0.9820042351 | 0.9820042356 | 0.9820042356 | 0.9820042356 | 5.7740 × 10^{-8} | 1.6918 × 10^{-9} | 5.5994 × 10^{-10} |
| 0.28 | 0.967708963 | 0.967709068 | 0.967709068 | 0.967709068 | 8.1729 × 10^{-8} | 1.1667 × 10^{-8} | 4.9544 × 10^{-10} |
| 0.36 | 0.9383727128 | 0.9383727132 | 0.9383727132 | 0.9383727132 | 1.0365 × 10^{-7} | 5.3668 × 10^{-8} | 4.4430 × 10^{-10} |
| 0.44 | 0.9089657496 | 0.9089657500 | 0.9089657500 | 0.9089657500 | 1.2373 × 10^{-7} | 1.7241 × 10^{-7} | 4.0346 × 10^{-10} |
| 0.52 | 0.872445076 | 0.872448818 | 0.872448818 | 0.872448818 | 1.4216 × 10^{-7} | 3.7425 × 10^{-7} | 3.7372 × 10^{-10} |
| 0.60 | 0.8390406791 | 0.8390411217 | 0.8390411217 | 0.8390411217 | 1.5914 × 10^{-7} | 5.3267 × 10^{-7} | 5.0711 × 10^{-10} |
| 0.68 | 0.7838211780 | 0.7838211786 | 0.7838211786 | 0.7838211786 | 1.7480 × 10^{-7} | 2.0775 × 10^{-7} | 3.3836 × 10^{-10} |
| 0.76 | 0.7316886687 | 0.7316886691 | 0.7316886691 | 0.7316886691 | 1.8942 × 10^{-7} | 1.4877 × 10^{-6} | 3.2183 × 10^{-10} |
| 0.84 | 0.6748757600 | 0.6748757603 | 0.6748757603 | 0.6748757603 | 2.0299 × 10^{-7} | 5.7105 × 10^{-6} | 3.1329 × 10^{-10} |
| 0.92 | 0.6137457494 | 0.6137457497 | 0.6137457497 | 0.6137457497 | 2.1561 × 10^{-7} | 0.0000127977 | 3.0678 × 10^{-10} |
| 1.00 | 0.5468986045 | 0.5468986049 | 0.5468986049 | 0.5468986049 | 2.2732 × 10^{-7} | 0.0000192725 | 3.0067 × 10^{-10} |

**Table 2.** Numerical results for the approximate solutions of Example 2 with \( h = 0.01, s = 2 \) and \( m = 5 \).

**Example 4.3.** Consider the following equation taken from [1, 10, 11, 17, 19, 20],
\[
\begin{align*}
    y' & = 1 + 2y - y^2, \quad (0 \leq x \leq 1) \\
    y(0) & = 0,
\end{align*}
\]
with the exact solution \( y(x) = 1 + \sqrt{2} \tanh(\sqrt{2} x + \log(\frac{2 + \sqrt{2}}{2 - \sqrt{2}})). \)

Since \( F(x, y) = 1 + 2y - y^2 \), the usual Adams-Bashforth method for e.g. \( s = 2 \) takes the form
\[
y_{AB}(x_{n+1}) = y_{AB}(x_n) + h \left( \frac{23}{12} F(x_n, y(x_n)) - \frac{4}{3} F(x_{n-1}, y(x_{n-1})) + \frac{5}{12} F(x_{n-2}, y(x_{n-2})) \right). \quad (4.10)
\]

For e.g. \( m = 10 \), the values \( \{y^{(i)}(0)\}_{i=0}^{10} \) can be computed from (4.9) directly so that we have
\[
Q_{10}^{(3)}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{10} \frac{y^{(i)}(0)}{i!} x^i = \frac{-1213}{14175} x^{10} + \frac{197}{2835} x^9 + \frac{71}{315} x^8 + \frac{53}{315} x^7 - \frac{7}{45} x^6 - \frac{7}{15} x^5 - \frac{1}{3} x^4 + \frac{1}{3} x^3 + x^2 + x.
\]
Figure 2. The logarithm of absolute error for three models introduced in Example 2, i.e., the usual Adams Bashforth method \((\star)\), the weighted model of Adams Bashforth for \(m = 5\) \((\Box)\), the weighted model corresponding to the exact solution \((\triangle)\) and finally \(Q^{(3)}_5(x)\) \((\bullet)\) with \(h = 0.01\), \(s = 2\) and \(m = 5\).

Since in this example
\[
G(x, y) = 1 + 2y - y^2 + \frac{p_2(x) - 1 - 2Q_{10}^{(3)}(x) + (Q_{10}^{(3)}(x))^2}{Q_{10}^{(3)}(x)}y,
\]
and
\[
w_{10}^{(3)}(x) = \exp\left(\int p_2(x) - 1 - 2Q_{10}^{(3)}(x) + (Q_{10}^{(3)}(x))^2\,dx\right),
\]
if for example we assume that \(p_2(x) = 0\), then the weighted models of Adams-Bashforth method of order \(m = 10\) takes the form
\[
w_{10}^{(3)}(x_{n+1})g_{wAB}^{(m)}(x_{n+1}) = w_{10}^{(3)}(x_n)g_{wAB}^{(m)}(x_n) + h\left(\mu_0^*(x_n) + \frac{3}{2}\mu_1^*(x_n) + \mu_2^*(x_n)\right)G(x_n, y(x_n)) - (2\mu_1^*(x_n) + \mu_2^*(x_n)), \quad (4.11)
\]
\[
G(x_{n-1}, y(x_{n-1})) + \frac{1}{2}\mu_1^*(x_n) + \frac{1}{2}\mu_2^*(x_n)G(x_{n-2}, y(x_{n-2}))\right),
\]
in which
\[
\mu_k^*(x_n) = \frac{1}{h^{k+1}}\int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} \exp\left(\int -1 - 2Q_{10}^{(3)}(x) + (Q_{10}^{(3)}(x))^2\,dx\right)(x - x_n)^k\,dx.
\]
Similarly when \(m \to \infty\), we have
\[
\lim_{m \to \infty} Q_{m}^{(3)}(x) = y(x) = 1 + \sqrt{2} \tanh\left(\sqrt{2}x + \frac{\log\left(\frac{1+ \sqrt{2}}{1-\sqrt{2}}\right)}{2}\right).
\]
In this case $G(x, y) = p_2(x) = 0$, and the weight function takes the form

$$w^{(3)}_{exact}(x) = \exp \left( \int \left[ -1 - 2(1 + \sqrt{2} \tanh(\sqrt{2}x + \frac{\log(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{2})}{2} + (1 + \sqrt{2} \tanh(\sqrt{2}x + \frac{\log(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{2})}{2})) dx \right] \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{2} \tanh(\sqrt{2}x + \frac{\log(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{2})}{2})}.$$

Consequently, the weighted model (4.11) for the exact solution is as

$$w^{(3)}_{exact}(x_{n+1})y_{wAB}(x_{n+1}) = w^{(3)}_{exact}(x_n)y_{wAB}(x_n),$$

leading to the exact solution

$$y_{wAB}(x_{n+1}) = w^{(3)}_{exact}(x_0)(1 + \sqrt{2} \tanh(\sqrt{2}x_n + \frac{\log(\frac{1 + \sqrt{2}}{2})}{2}))y_{wAB}(x_0).$$

Table 3 shows the numerical results of the three introduced models (4.10), (4.11) and (4.12) for $h = 0.01$. Also, Figure 3 again shows the priority of weighted models with respect to the usual Adams-Bashforth method for Example 3.

| $x$ | $y$    | $y_{AB}$ | $y_{(m)}_{AB}$ | $|y - y_{AB}|$ | $|y - y_{(m)}_{AB}|$ | $|y - y_{wAB}|$ |
|-----|--------|----------|----------------|----------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 0.04| 0.0416204316 | 0.0416204942 | 0.0416204180 | 6.2600 × 10⁻⁶ | 1.3519 × 10⁻⁴ | 1.3600 × 10⁻⁴ |
| 0.12| 0.1348948736 | 0.1348953345 | 0.1348948298 | 4.6990 × 10⁻⁷ | 4.3781 × 10⁻⁶ | 4.3800 × 10⁻⁶ |
| 0.20| 0.2419767996 | 0.2419778638 | 0.2419767239 | 1.0643 × 10⁻⁶ | 7.5677 × 10⁻⁷ | 7.8600 × 10⁻⁷ |
| 0.28| 0.3628219749 | 0.3628238267 | 0.3628219050 | 1.8518 × 10⁻⁷ | 6.9023 × 10⁻⁸ | 1.1790 × 10⁻⁷ |
| 0.36| 0.4965908125 | 0.4965935600 | 0.4965910069 | 2.7475 × 10⁻⁶ | 1.9433 × 10⁻⁷ | 1.6130 × 10⁻⁷ |
| 0.44| 0.6415366029 | 0.6415402238 | 0.6415378018 | 3.6209 × 10⁻⁶ | 1.1989 × 10⁻⁷ | 2.0840 × 10⁻⁷ |
| 0.52| 0.7950036737 | 0.7950057378 | 0.7950034155 | 4.3124 × 10⁻⁶ | 2.0640 × 10⁻⁷ | 2.5820 × 10⁻⁷ |
| 0.60| 0.9535621664 | 0.9535708919 | 0.9535652100 | 4.6755 × 10⁻⁶ | 6.6954 × 10⁻⁷ | 3.0970 × 10⁻⁷ |
| 0.68| 1.1133061389 | 1.1133075663 | 1.1133057777 | 4.6274 × 10⁻⁶ | 0.0000097287 | 3.616 × 10⁻⁷ |
| 0.76| 1.270182271 | 1.2701924050 | 1.2699698013 | 4.1779 × 10⁻⁶ | 0.0004862577 | 4.1260 × 10⁻⁷ |
| 0.84| 1.4204593631 | 1.4204627898 | 1.4185890792 | 3.4267 × 10⁻⁶ | 0.0018612883 | 4.6140 × 10⁻⁷ |
| 0.92| 1.5609908324 | 1.5609928096 | 1.5550709962 | 2.5272 × 10⁻⁶ | 0.0059142861 | 5.0710 × 10⁻⁷ |
| 1.00| 1.6894893195 | 1.6895000288 | 1.6730578377 | 1.6373 × 10⁻⁶ | 0.0164278033 | 5.4870 × 10⁻⁷ |

**Table 3.** Numerical results for the approximate solutions of Example 3 with $h = 0.01, s = 2$ and $m = 10$. 
Figure 3. The logarithm of absolute error for three models introduced in Example 3, i.e. the usual Adams Bashforth method ($\star$), the weighted model of Adams Bashforth for $m = 10$ ($\square$), the weighted model corresponding to the exact solution ($\triangle$) and finally $Q^{(3)}_{10}(x)$ ($\bullet$) with $h = 0.01, s = 2$ and $m = 10$.

Example 4.4. Consider the equation

$$y' = -e^{2x} + y + y^2, \quad (0 \leq x \leq 1)$$

$$y(0) = 1,$$ (4.13)

with the exact solution $y(x) = e^x$.

Since $F(x,y) = -e^{2x} + y + y^2$, the usual Adams-Bashforth method for e.g. $s = 2$ takes the form

$$y_{AB}(x_{n+1}) = y_{AB}(x_n) + h \left( \frac{23}{12} F(x_n, y(x_n)) - \frac{4}{3} F(x_{n-1}, y(x_{n-1})) + \frac{5}{12} F(x_{n-2}, y(x_{n-2})) \right).$$ (4.14)

For e.g. $m = 5$, the values $\{y^{(i)}(0)\}_{i=0}^{5}$ are computable from (4.13) so that we have

$$Q^{(4)}_5(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{5} \frac{y^{(i)}(0)}{i!} x^i = \frac{1}{120} x^5 + \frac{1}{24} x^4 + \frac{1}{6} x^3 + \frac{1}{2} x^2 + x + 1.$$ (4.15)

Since in this example

$$G(x,y) = -e^{2x} + y + y^2 + \frac{p_2(x) + e^{2x} - Q^{(4)}_5(x) - (Q^{(4)}_5(x))^2}{Q^{(4)}_5(x)} y,$$

and

$$w^{(4)}_5(x) = \exp \left( \int \frac{p_2(x) + e^{2x} - Q^{(4)}_5(x) - (Q^{(4)}_5(x))^2}{Q^{(4)}_5(x)} dx \right),$$
if for example we assume that \( p_2(x) = 0 \), then the weighted models of Adams-Bashforth method of order \( m = 5 \) takes the form

\[
\begin{align*}
    w_5^{(4)}(x_{n+1})y_{wAB}(x_{n+1}) &= w_5^{(4)}(x_n)y_{wAB}(x_n) \\
    + h \left( \mu_0^2(x_n) + \frac{3}{2} \mu_1^2(x_n) + \mu_2^2(x_n) \right) (\alpha_n y(x_n) - (2\mu_1^2(x_n) + \mu_2^2(x_n))G(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}) + \frac{1}{2} \mu_1(x_n) + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2(x_n) \right) G(x_{n-2}, y(x_{n-2})) \\
    + & \frac{1}{2} \mu_1(x_n) + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2(x_n) \right) G(x_{n-2}, y(x_{n-2})) \\
    & \right), \hspace{1cm} (4.15)
\end{align*}
\]

in which

\[
\mu_k^2(x_n) = \frac{1}{h^{k+1}} \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} \exp \left( \int \frac{e^{2x} - Q_5^{(4)}(x) - (Q_5^{(4)}(x))^2}{Q_5^{(4)}(x)} \right) (x - x_n)^k \, dx.
\]

Also when \( m \to \infty \)

\[
\lim_{m \to \infty} Q_m^{(4)}(x) = y(x) = e^x.
\]

In this case \( G(x, y) = p_2(x) = 0 \), and the weight function takes the explicit form

\[
w_{exact}^{(4)}(x) = e^{-x}.
\]

Consequently, the weighted model (4.15) for the exact solution would be simplified as

\[
w_{exact}^{(4)}(x_{n+1})y_{wAB}(x_{n+1}) = w_{exact}^{(4)}(x_n)y_{wAB}(x_n),
\]

leading to the exact solution

\[
y_{wAB}(x_{n+1}) = w_{exact}^{(4)}(x_0)e^{x_{n+1}}y_{wAB}(x_0).
\]

Table 4 shows the numerical results of the three introduced models (4.14), (4.15) and (4.16) for \( h = 0.01 \). Also, Figure 4 again shows the priority of weighted models with respect to the usual Adams-Bashforth method for Example 4.

**Example 4.5.** Consider the equation

\[
\begin{align*}
y' &= \left( \frac{1}{2(x+1)} - \sqrt{x+1} \right) y + y^2, \hspace{0.5cm} 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\
y(0) &= 1,
\end{align*}
\]

leading to the exact solution

\[
y(x) = \sqrt{x + 1}.
\]

Since \( F(x, y) = \left( \frac{1}{2(x+1)} - \sqrt{x+1} \right) y + y^2 \), the usual Adams-Bashforth method for \( s = 2 \) takes the form

\[
y_{AB}(x_{n+1}) = y_{AB}(x_n) \\
+ h \left( \frac{23}{12} F(x_n, y(x_n)) - \frac{4}{3} F(x_{n-1}, y(x_{n-1})) + \frac{5}{12} F(x_{n-2}, y(x_{n-2})) \right). \hspace{1cm} (4.18)
\]
For e.g. \( m = 5 \), the values \( \{y^{(i)}(0)\}_{i=0}^{5} \) are computable from (4.17) so that we have

\[
Q_{5}^{(5)}(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{5} \frac{y^{(i)}(0)}{i!} x^i = \frac{7}{256} x^5 - \frac{5}{128} x^4 + \frac{1}{16} x^3 - \frac{1}{8} x^2 + \frac{1}{2} x + 1.
\]
Since in this example
\[ G(x, y) = \left( \frac{1}{2(x + 1)} - \sqrt{x + 1} \right)y + y^2 \]
and
\[ w_5^{(5)}(x) = \exp\left( \int p_2(x) - \frac{1}{2(x+1)} - \sqrt{x + 1} Q_5^{(5)}(x) - \left( Q_5^{(5)}(x) \right)^2 \frac{dx}{Q_5^{(5)}(x)} \right), \]
if for example we assume that \( p_2(x) = 0 \), then the weighted models of Adams-Bashforth method of order \( m = 5 \) takes the form
\[ w_5^{(5)}(x_n+1) y_{wAB}^{(m)}(x_n+1) = w_5^{(5)}(x_n) y_{wAB}^{(m)}(x_n) + h \left( \mu_0^*(x_n) + \frac{3}{2} \mu_1^*(x_n) + \mu_2^*(x_n) \right) G(x_n, y(x_n)) - \left( 2 \mu_1^*(x_n) + \mu_2^*(x_n) \right) G(x_{n-1}, y(x_{n-1})) - (2 \mu_1^*(x_n) + \mu_2^*(x_n)) G(x_{n-2}, y(x_{n-2})) \]
(4.19)
in which
\[ \mu_k^*(x_n) = \frac{1}{h^{k+1}} \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} \exp\left( \int_{x_n}^{x} \frac{-1}{2(x + 1)} - \sqrt{x + 1} Q_5^{(5)}(x) (x - x_n)^k \right) dx. \]

Also when \( m \to \infty \)
\[ \lim_{m \to \infty} Q_m^{(5)}(x) = y(x) = \sqrt{x + 1}. \]
In this case \( G(x, y) = p_2(x) = 0 \), and the weight function takes the form
\[ w_{exact}^{(5)}(x) = \exp\left( \int \frac{-1}{2(x + 1)} dx \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x + 1}}. \]
Consequently, the weighted model (4.19) for the exact solution would be simplified as
\[ w_{exact}^{(5)}(x_n+1) y_{wAB}^{(m)}(x_n+1) = w_{exact}^{(5)}(x_n) y_{wAB}^{(m)}(x_n), \]
(4.20)
leading to the exact solution
\[ y_{wAB}(x_{n+1}) = w_{exact}^{(5)}(x_0) \sqrt{x_{n+1} + 1} y_{wAB}(x_0). \]

Table 5 shows the numerical results of the three introduced models (4.18), (4.19) and (4.20) for \( h = 0.01 \). Also, Figure 5 again shows the priority of weighted models with respect to the usual Adams-Bashforth method for Example 5.

Remark 4.6. It is important to mention that the proposed weighted method can also be applied for solving two points boundary value problems. In other words, by using the shooting method one can reduce the solution of a two points boundary value problem to the solution of an initial value problem. Moreover,
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| $x$  | $y$         | $y_{AB}$ | $y_{wAB}^{(m)}$ | $y_{wAB}$ | $|y - y_{AB}|$  | $|y - y_{wAB}^{(m)}|$ | $|y - y_{wAB}|$  |
|------|-------------|----------|------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| 0.04 | 1.0148891565 | 1.0148891604 | 1.0148891570    | 1.0148891570 | $3.9261 \times 10^{-9}$ | $5.7763 \times 10^{-10}$ | $5.7760 \times 10^{-10}$ |
| 0.12 | 1.0535653752 | 1.0535654043 | 1.0535653760    | 1.0535653759 | $2.9036 \times 10^{-9}$ | $8.0047 \times 10^{-10}$ | $6.3696 \times 10^{-10}$ |
| 0.20 | 1.0908712114 | 1.0908712632 | 1.0908712185    | 1.0908712121 | $5.1804 \times 10^{-9}$ | $7.0431 \times 10^{-10}$ | $7.0280 \times 10^{-10}$ |
| 0.28 | 1.1269427669 | 1.1269428304 | 1.1269427636    | 1.1269427677 | $7.3500 \times 10^{-9}$ | $6.6718 \times 10^{-10}$ | $7.7828 \times 10^{-10}$ |
| 0.36 | 1.1618950038 | 1.1618950989 | 1.1618953670    | 1.1618950047 | $9.5068 \times 10^{-9}$ | $3.6319 \times 10^{-9}$  | $8.6407 \times 10^{-10}$ |
| 0.44 | 1.1958206743 | 1.1958210195 | 1.1958274375    | 1.1958260752 | $1.1727 \times 10^{-7}$ | $1.3632 \times 10^{-9}$  | $9.6195 \times 10^{-10}$ |
| 0.52 | 1.2288205737 | 1.2288207135 | 1.2288245452    | 1.2288205738 | $1.4079 \times 10^{-7}$ | $3.9725 \times 10^{-9}$  | $1.0741 \times 10^{-9}$  |
| 0.60 | 1.2609520212 | 1.2609521875 | 1.2609520224    | 1.2609520224 | $1.6625 \times 10^{-7}$ | $7.6192 \times 10^{-9}$  | $2.1603 \times 10^{-9}$  |
| 0.68 | 1.2922847983 | 1.2922849926 | 1.2922847996    | 1.2922847996 | $1.9427 \times 10^{-7}$ | $0.0000201484$          | $1.3518 \times 10^{-9}$ |
| 0.76 | 1.3228756555 | 1.3228758410 | 1.3229102048    | 1.3228756507 | $2.2551 \times 10^{-7}$ | $0.0000373963$          | $1.5242 \times 10^{-9}$ |
| 0.84 | 1.3527749258 | 1.3527751865 | 1.3528369722    | 1.3527749275 | $2.6087 \times 10^{-7}$ | $0.0000620946$          | $1.7245 \times 10^{-9}$ |
| 0.92 | 1.3820274961 | 1.3820277966 | 1.3821195434    | 1.3820274980 | $3.0053 \times 10^{-7}$ | $0.0000920473$          | $1.9582 \times 10^{-9}$ |
| 1.00 | 1.4106735979 | 1.4106739439 | 1.4107028520    | 1.4106736001 | $3.4599 \times 10^{-7}$ | $0.0001925540$          | $2.2316 \times 10^{-9}$ |

TABLE 5. Numerical results for the approximate solutions of Example 5 with $h = 0.01, s = 2$ and $m = 5$.

**Figure 5.** The logarithm of absolute error for three models introduced in Example 5, i.e. the usual Adams Bashforth method (*), the weighted model of Adams Bashforth for $m = 5$ (□), the weighted model corresponding to the exact solution (∆) and finally $Q_5^9(x)$ (○) with $h = 0.01, s = 2$ and $m = 5$.

Since matrix Riccati differential equations can be transformed to a system of usual Riccati differential equations, the aforesaid problem may be extended to a matrix form [in preparation].
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