



Boundary Value Problems with an Essential Singularity

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Problem class: singular BVPs

$$z'(t) = \underbrace{\frac{M(t)}{t-a} z(t) + f(t, z(t))}_{=:F(t, z(t))}, \quad t \in (a, b],$$

or

$$z'(t) = \frac{M(t)}{(t-a)^\alpha} z(t) + f(t, z(t)), \quad \alpha > 1,$$

$$B(z(a), z(b)) = 0.$$



Singularity of the **first** kind

$$z'(t) = \frac{M(t)}{t-a} z(t) + f(t, z(t)), \quad t \in (a, b],$$
$$B(z(a), z(b)) = 0.$$

Assumptions

- The problem is well-posed \Downarrow
 $z(a) \in \text{Ker } M(a) + \text{local uniqueness.}$
- The solution is appropriately smooth.



MATLAB Code SBVP 1.0

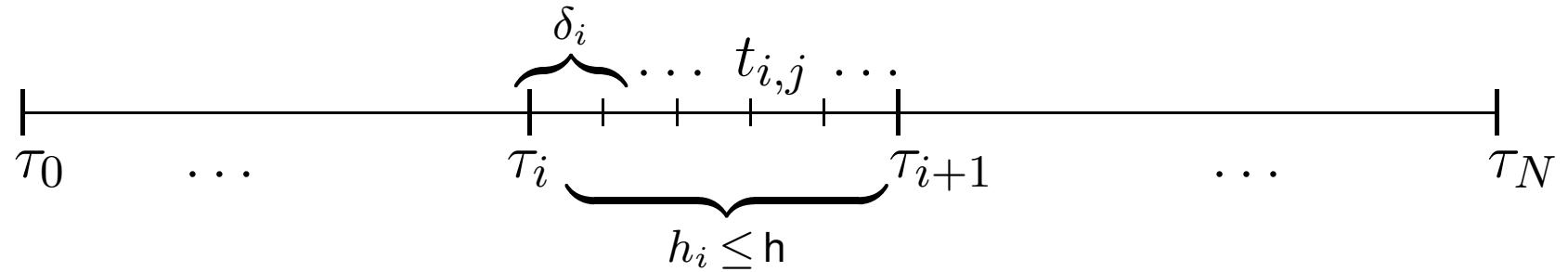
<http://www.math.tuwien.ac.at/~ewa/>

- ▶ General purpose code written in MATLAB.
- ▶ Suitable for a wide range of tolerances ↓
variable order method.
- ▶ Efficient estimate of the global error.
- ▶ Global error estimate made available to the user.
- ▶ Global error control as basis for the mesh adaptation strategy ↓
reflecting **smoothness of the solution only**.



Collocation method

$$z'(t) = F(t, z(t)), \quad t \in (a, b], \\ B(z(a), z(b)) = 0.$$



$$p(t) := p_i(t), \quad t \in [\tau_i, \tau_{i+1}], \quad p_i \in \mathbf{p}_m$$

Convergence

$$|p(\tau_i) - z(\tau_i)| = O(\mathbf{h}^m), \quad i = 0, \dots, N,$$

$$\|p - z\|_\infty = O(\mathbf{h}^m),$$

$$\|p^{(l)} - z^{(l)}\|_\infty = O(\mathbf{h}^{m+1-l}), \quad l = 1, \dots, m.$$

Singularity of the **first** kind: Similar results, no superconvergence in general!



DeC: Global error estimate

Classical idea based on Defect Correction
(Zadunaisky, Frank, Stetter, 1975-1978).

- ▶ Collocation solution at the **mesh** points
 $p(\tau_i), i = 0, \dots, N, \downarrow$
 $q(t) \dots$ piecewise polynomial interpolant of maximal degree $m + 1$.
- ▶ Use $q(t)$ to define a **neighboring problem, NP**:

$$z'(t) = F(t, z(t)) + d(t), \quad d(t) := q'(t) - F(t, q(t)), \\ B(z(a), z(b)) = 0.$$

- ▶ Solve OP and NP with an low-order scheme, here Backward Euler scheme (BEUL).



DeC: Global error estimate (2)

- ▶ Auxiliary scheme for OP: BEUL

$$\frac{\xi_{i+1} - \xi_i}{h_i} = F(t_{i+1}, \xi_{i+1}), + \text{ BC.}$$

- ▶ Auxiliary scheme for NP: BEUL

$$\frac{\pi_{i+1} - \pi_i}{h_i} = F(t_{i+1}, \pi_{i+1}) + d_{i+1}, + \text{ BC.}$$

- ▶ Error estimate: $p(\tau_i) - z(\tau_i) \approx \pi_i - \xi_i, i = 0, \dots, N.$

Drawbacks



QDeC error estimate

QDeC: Based on local defect Quadrature (Auzinger, Koch, Weinmüller, 2001-2002).

► Auxiliary scheme for OP: BEUL

$$\frac{\xi_{i,j} - \xi_{i,j-1}}{\delta_{i,j}} = F(t_{i,j}, \xi_{i,j}) + \text{BC.}$$

► Auxiliary scheme for NP: BEUL

$$\frac{\pi_{i,j} - \pi_{i,j-1}}{\delta_{i,j}} = F(t_{i,j}, \pi_{i,j}) + \bar{d}_{i,j} + \text{BC.}$$

► Error estimate:

$$p(t_{i,j}) - z(t_{i,j}) \approx \pi_{i,j} - \xi_{i,j}, \quad i = 0, \dots, N, \quad j = 1, \dots, m.$$



QDeC error estimate (2)

Choice of the modified defect $\bar{d}_{i,j}$

Classical defect: $d(t_{i,j}) = p'(t_{i,j}) - F(t_{i,j}, p(t_{i,j}))$

Modified defect:

► w.r.t. a coll. scheme of order $m + 1$

$$\bar{d}_{i,j} := \frac{p(t_{i,j}) - p(t_{i,j-1})}{\delta_i} - \sum_{k=1}^{m+1} \alpha_{j,k} F(t_{i,k}, p(t_{i,k}))$$

► quadrature rule of precision $m + 1$

$$\frac{1}{\delta_{i,j}} \int_{t_{i,j-1}}^{t_{i,j}} \varphi(\tau) d\tau \approx \sum_{k=1}^{m+1} \alpha_{j,k} \varphi(t_{i,k})$$



QDeC - asympt. corr. (ASCOR)

Consider

$$z'(t) = \frac{M(t)}{t} z(t) + f(t, z(t)), \quad t \in (0, 1],$$

$$B_a z(0) + B_b z(1) = \beta,$$

- ▶ z is an isolated smooth solution,
- ▶ spectrum of $M(0)$ is of certain structure.

Then, if h is sufficiently small,

$$\|(z(t_{i,j}) - p(t_{i,j})) - (\xi_{i,j} - \pi_{i,j})\| = O(h^{m+1}).$$



ASCOR of QDeC - example

Test problem:

$$z'(t) = \frac{1}{\textcolor{red}{t}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} z(t) + t \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{2(t^2+2)+8}{(t^2+2)^2} z_1^2(t) + \frac{8t^2}{(t^2+2)^2} z_1^3(t) \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} z(0) + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} z(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\ln(3) \end{pmatrix}$$

Exact solution

$$z(t) = \left(\frac{1}{\ln(t^2 + 2)}, -\frac{2t^2}{(t^2 + 2) \ln^2(t^2 + 2)} \right)^T.$$



ASCOR of QDeC - example (2)

h	err_{coll}	p_{coll}	$\Delta \text{err}_{\text{est}}$	p_{est}
2^{-2}	1.5763e–04		2.2232e–05	
2^{-3}	9.5865e–06	4.04	6.5978e–07	5.07
2^{-4}	5.9574e–07	4.01	1.7873e–08	5.21
2^{-5}	3.7189e–08	4.00	5.1077e–10	5.13
2^{-6}	2.3237e–09	4.00	1.5205e–11	5.07
2^{-7}	1.4522e–10	4.00	4.6274e–13	5.04
2^{-8}	9.0772e–12	4.00	1.4655e–14	4.98



Singularity of the second kind

$$z'(t) = \frac{M(t)}{(t-a)^\alpha} z(t) + f(t, z(t)), \quad t \in (a, b],$$
$$B(z(a), z(b)) = 0.$$

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Convergence of collocation - example

$$z'(t) = \frac{1}{t^2} \begin{pmatrix} -z_2(t) \\ -z_3(t) \\ -z_4(t) \\ 1 - e^{-z_1(t)/2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad t \in (0, 1],$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} z(0) + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} z(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Equidistant grid-points, $m=4$

Convergence of collocation

h	err_{grid}	p_{grid}	err_{mesh}	p_{mesh}
1/10	2.06e-17		2.06e-17	
1/20	4.26e-18	2.27	4.26e-18	2.27
1/40	1.65e-19	4.69	1.65e-19	4.69
1/80	6.22e-21	4.73	6.22e-21	4.73
1/160	3.84e-22	4.02	3.74e-22	4.06

Reference solution determined with $h = 1/320$.



Gaussian grid-points, $m=4$

Convergence of collocation

h	err_{grid}	p_{grid}	err_{mesh}	p_{mesh}
1/10	2.12e-09		2.12e-09	
1/20	9.07e-11	4.55	9.07e-11	4.55
1/40	3.92e-12	4.53	3.92e-12	4.53
1/80	1.71e-13	4.52	1.71e-13	4.52
1/160	5.99e-15	4.84	5.99e-15	4.84

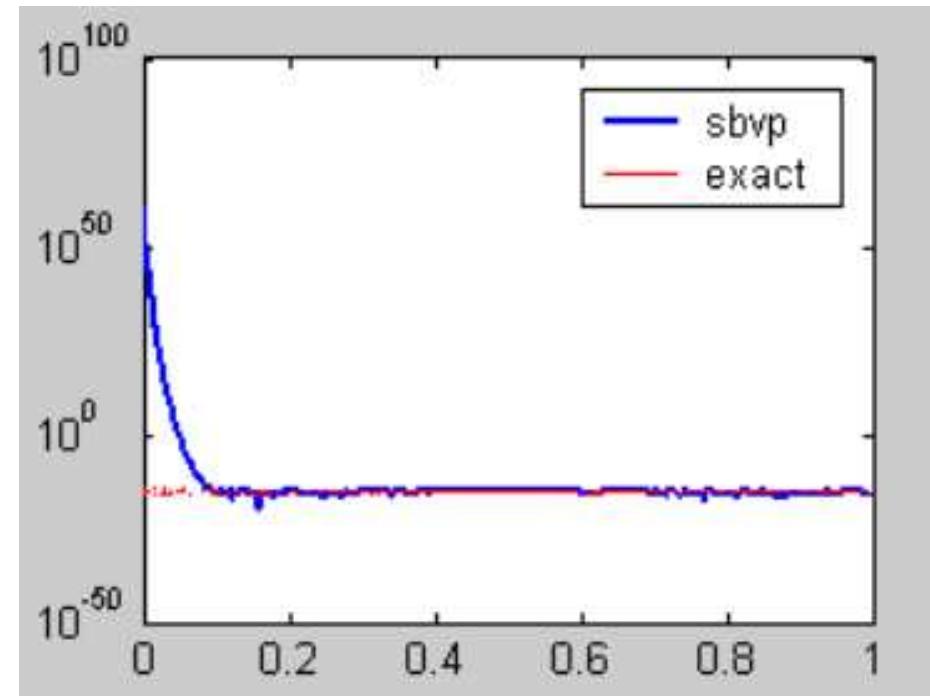
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Error estimate: QDeC/BEUL

Test problem: $z'(t) = \frac{1}{t^3}z(t) + e^t - \frac{e^t}{t^3}, \quad z(1) = e$

Exact solution $z(t) = e^t$.





Error estimate: QDeC/BEUL (2)

Convergence of BEUL

h	err_{grid}	p_{grid}	err_{mesh}	p_{mesh}
1/10	7.20e+00		7.20e+00	
1/20	5.93e+01	-3.04	5.93e+01	-3.04
1/40	1.73e+05	-11.5	1.73e+05	-11.5
1/80	8.70e+09	-15.6	8.70e+09	-15.6
1/160	5.99e+17	-26.0	5.99e+17	-26.0



Error estimate: QDeC/BEUL (3)

Matrix of the BEUL scheme

h	cond	p_{cond}	norm	p_{norm}	norminv
1/10	6.99e+05		1.00e+03		6.99e+02
1/20	3.28e+09	-12.2	8.00e+03	-3.00	4.09e+05
1/40	1.55e+15	-18.9	6.40e+04	-3.00	2.42e+10
1/80	9.60e+23	-29.2	5.12e+05	-3.00	1.88e+18
1/160	5.10e+37	-45.6	4.10e+06	-3.00	1.25e+31



Error estimate: QDeC/BOX

- ▶ Box scheme for OP:

$$\frac{\xi_{i,j} - \xi_{i,j-1}}{\delta_{i,j}} = F(t_{i,j-\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{\xi_{i,j} + \xi_{i,j-1}}{2}) + \text{BC.}$$

- ▶ Box scheme for NP:

$$\frac{\pi_{i,j} - \pi_{i,j-1}}{\delta_{i,j}} = F(t_{i,j-\frac{1}{2}}, \frac{\pi_{i,j} + \pi_{i,j-1}}{2}) + \frac{\bar{d}_{i,j} + \bar{d}_{i,j-1}}{2} + \text{BC.}$$

- ▶ Error estimate:

$$p(t_{i,j}) - z(t_{i,j}) \approx \pi_{i,j} - \xi_{i,j}, \quad i = 0, \dots, N, \quad j = 1, \dots, m.$$

h	$\Delta\text{err}_{\text{mesh}}$	err_{est}	p_{est}	cond	p_{cond}	norm	norminv
1/10	1.11e-08	5.35e-09		2.28e+03		8.00e+03	2.85e-01
1/20	7.02e-10	2.26e-10	4.47	1.68e+04	-2.88	6.40e+04	2.62e-01
1/40	4.38e-11	1.02e-11	4.55	1.28e+05	-2.93	5.12e+05	2.50e-01
1/80	2.73e-12	4.42e-13	4.53	9.98e+05	-2.96	4.10e+06	2.44e-01
1/160	1.72e-13	1.90e-14	4.54	7.89e+06	-2.98	3.28e+07	2.41e-01



Error estimate: mesh halving

- ▶ Collocation on mesh h : p_h .
- ▶ Collocation on mesh $h/2$: $p_{h/2}$.
- ▶ Error structure: $\delta(t) = e(t)h^m + O(h^{m+1})$
Error estimate: $\mathcal{E}(t) := \frac{2^m}{1-2^m}(p_{h/2}(t) - p_h(t))$

h	err _{grid}	err _{mesh}	Δ errest _{grid}	p_{grid}	Δ errest _{mesh}	p_{mesh}
1/2	8.80e-06	8.80e-06	1.61e-07		1.61e-07	
1/4	5.41e-07	4.65e-07	6.81e-09	4.56	1.16e-08	3.80
1/8	3.02e-08	2.77e-08	2.11e-10	5.01	3.00e-11	8.59
1/16	1.82e-09	1.71e-09	7.30e-12	4.86	4.76e-13	5.98
1/32	1.11e-10	1.07e-10	2.26e-13	5.01	6.50e-15	6.19



Conclusions

- (1) Singularity of the first kind:
 - ▶ ASCOR of the error estimate QDeC ✓
- (2) Singularity of the second kind:
 - ▶ Convergence of the collocation scheme ✓
 - ▶ Error estimate QDeC/BEUL FAILS!
 - ▶ Error estimate QDeC/BOX $\frac{1}{2}$ ✓
 - ▶ Error estimate based on mesh halving ✓
 - ▶ To do: Theory for
 - convergence of the collocation scheme,
 - ascor of estimate based on mesh halving.