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Introduction to delay differential equations (DDEs) and the areas where they arise are given. A brief discussion on Runge-Kutta method when adapted to delay differential equation is introduced. SDIRK method which has been derived previously is used to



solve delay differential equations; the delay term is approximated using divided difference interpolation. Numerical results are tabulated and compared with the existing methods. The stability aspects of SDIRK method when applied to DDEs using Lagrange interpolation are investigated and the region of stability is presented.

Runge-Kutta-Nyström (RKN) method for the solution of special second-order ordinary differential equations of the form $y'' = f(x, y)$ is discussed. Consequently, Singly Diagonally Implicit Runge-Kutta Nyström (SDIRKN) method of third-order three stage embedded in fourth-order four stage with small error coefficients is constructed. The stability region of the new method is presented. The method is then used to solve both stiff and non-stiff special second order ODEs and the numerical results suggest that the new method is more efficient compared to the current methods in use.

Finally, introduction to general Runge-Kutta-Nystrom (RKNG) method for the solution of second-order ordinary differential equations of the form $y'' = f(x, y, y')$ is given. A new embedded Singly Diagonally Implicit Runge-Kutta-Nyström General (SDIRKNG) method of third-order four stage embedded in fourth-order five stage is derived. Analysis on the stability aspects of the new method is given and numerical results when the method is used to solve both stiff and non-stiff second order ODEs are presented. The results indicate the superiority of the new method compared to the existing method.



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Pengenalan kepada Persamaan Pembezaan Lengah (PBL) dan bidang di mana ianya timbul diberikan. Perbincangan ringkas mengenai kaedah Runge-Kutta apabila diadaptasikan kepada persamaan pembezaan lengah diperkenalkan. Kaedah RKPTT yang telah diperolehi sebelum ini digunakan untuk menyelesaikan PBL; sebutan



lengahnya dianggarkan menggunakan interpolasi beza bahagi. Keputusan berangka dibentangkan dan dibandingkan dengan kaedah yang sedia ada. Aspek kestabilan kaedah RKPTT apabila digunakan ke atas PPL menggunakan interpolasi Lagrange diselidik dan rantau kestabilannya dipersembahkan.

Kaedah Runge-Kutta-Nyström (RKN) bagi penyelesaian PBB khas peringkat kedua dalam bentuk $y'' = f(x, y)$ dibincangkan. Seterusnya, kaedah peringkat tiga tahap tiga terbenam dalam kaedah peringkat empat tahap empat Runge-Kutta Nystrom Pepenjuru Tunggal Tersirat (RKNPTT) dengan pekali ralat yang kecil dibina. Rantau kestabilan bagi kaedah yang baru ini dipersembahkan. Kaedah ini kemudiannya digunakan untuk menyelesaikan kedua-dua PBB kaku dan tak kaku peringkat kedua dan keputusan berangkanya menunjukkan bahawa kaedah ini lebih cekap berbanding kaedah yang sedang digunakan sekarang.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

IVP	Initial Value Problem
ODE	Ordinary Differential Equation
ODEs	Ordinary Differential Equations
IMEXRK	Implicit Explicit Runge-Kutta
DDE	Delay Differential Equation
DDEs	Delay Differential Equations
RDE	Retarded Delay Differential Equation
NDE	Neutral Delay Differential Equation
RKN	Runge-Kutta-Nyström
RKNG	Runge-Kutta-Nyström General
SDIRK	Singly Diagonally Implicit Runge-Kutta
DIRKN	Diagonally Implicit Runge-Kutta-Nyström
SDIRKN	Singly Diagonally Implicit Runge-Kutta-Nyström
SDIRKNG	Singly Diagonally Implicit Runge-Kutta-Nyström General
SODEs	Stiff Ordinary Differential Equations
CRK	Continuous Runge-Kutta
RKF	Runge-Kutta Fehlberg
FSAL	First Stage As Last



ABSTRACT

NUMERICAL SOLUTION OF ORDINARY AND DELAY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS BY RUNGE-KUTTA METHODS

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Pengenalan kepada Persamaan Pembezaan Lengah (PBL) dan bidang di mana ianya timbul diberikan. Perbincangan ringkas mengenai kaedah Runge-Kutta



apabila diadaptasikan kepada persamaan pembezaan lengah diperkenalkan. Kaedah RKPTT yang telah diperolehi sebelum ini digunakan untuk menyelesaikan PBL; sebutan lengahnya dianggarkan menggunakan interpolasi beza bahagi. Keputusan berangka dibentangkan dan dibandingkan dengan kaedah yang sedia ada. Aspek kestabilan kaedah RKPTT apabila digunakan ke atas PPL menggunakan interpolasi Lagrange diselidik dan rantau kestabilannya dipersembahkan.

Kaedah Runge-Kutta-Nyström (RKN) bagi penyelesaian PBB khas peringkat kedua dalam bentuk $y'' = f(x, y)$ dibincangkan. Seterusnya, kaedah peringkat tiga tahap tiga terbenam dalam kaedah peringkat empat tahap empat Runge-Kutta Nystrom Pepejuru Tunggal Tersirat (RKNPTT) dengan pekali ralat yang kecil dibina. Rantau kestabilan bagi kaedah yang baru ini dipersembahkan. Kaedah ini kemudiannya digunakan untuk menyelesaikan kedua-dua PPB kaku dan tak kaku peringkat kedua dan keputusan berangkanya menunjukkan bahawa kaedah ini lebih cekap berbanding kaedah yang sedang digunakan sekarang.

Akhir sekali, pengenalan kepada kaedah umum Runge-Kutta-Nystrom (RKNU) untuk menyelesaikan persamaan pembezaan biasa peringkat kedua dalam bentuk $y'' = f(x, y, y')$ diberikan. Kaedah umum Runge-Kutta Nystrom Pepenjuru Tunggal Tersirat (RKNUPPTT) yang baru, peringkat tiga tahap empat terbenam dalam kaedah peringkat empat tahap lima diterbitkan. Analisis bagi aspek kestabilan kaedah baru ini diberikan dan keputusan berangka apabila kaedah ini digunakan untuk menyelesaikan kedua-dua PBB umum kaku dan tak

