

A 7 stage, combined order 6 and 4 Runge-Kutta scheme

- See: (1) A general four-parameter non-FSAL embedded Runge–Kutta algorithm of orders 6 and 4 in seven stages, by M.E.A. El-Mikkawy and M.M.M. Eisa, Applied Mathematics and Computation, Vol. 143, No. 2, (2003) pages 259 to 267.
 (2) Cheap Error Estimation for Runge-Kutta methods, by Ch. Tsitouras and S.N. Papakostas, Siam Journal on Scientific Computing, Vol. 20, Issue 6, Nov 1999.

The scheme considered here is a minor modification of a scheme described in the second paper. The nodes of the scheme are:

$$c_2 = \frac{4}{27}, c_3 = \frac{2}{9}, c_4 = \frac{3}{7}, c_5 = \frac{11}{16}, c_6 = \frac{10}{13}, c_7 = 1.$$

The principal error norm, that is, the 2-norm of the principal error terms is: $0.2117170563 \times 10^{(-3)}$.

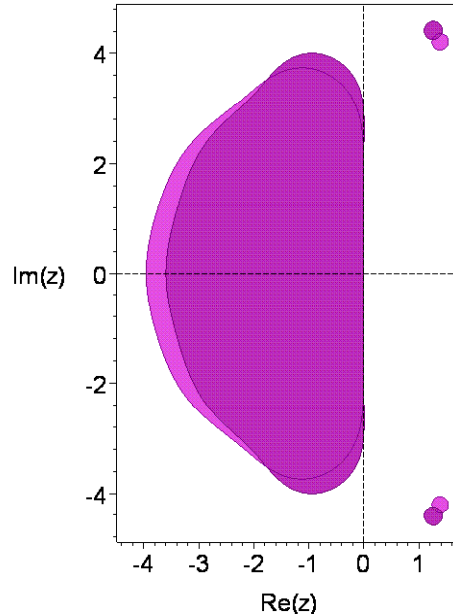
Note: The order 6 scheme satisfies 2 of the 48 principal error conditions including the order 7 quadrature condition.

The principal error norm of the order 5 embedded scheme is: $0.8491158840 \times 10^{(-3)}$.

The maximum magnitude of the linking coefficients is: $\frac{6597591}{7972456} \approx 0.8275481232$.

The 2-norm of the linking coefficients is: 1.962044023.

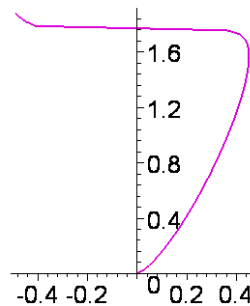
The stability regions for the two schemes are shown in the following picture.



The stability region of the order 5 scheme appears in the darker shade.

The real stability intervals of the order 6 and 5 schemes are respectively $[-3.9541, 0]$ and $[-3.5959, 0]$.

The following picture shows the result of distorting the boundary curve of the stability region of the order 6 scheme horizontally by taking the 11th root of the real part of points along the curve.



The stability region intersects the nonnegative imaginary axis in the interval: $[0, 1.7644]$.

The coefficients are:

$c[2]=4/27,$
 $c[3]=2/9,$
 $c[4]=3/7,$
 $c[5]=11/16,$
 $c[6]=10/13,$
 $c[7]=1,$

$a[2,1]=4/27,$
 $a[3,1]=1/18,$
 $a[3,2]=1/6,$
 $a[4,1]=66/343,$
 $a[4,2]=-729/1372,$
 $a[4,3]=1053/1372,$
 $a[5,1]=13339/49152,$
 $a[5,2]=-4617/16384,$
 $a[5,3]=5427/53248,$
 $a[5,4]=95207/159744,$
 $a[6,1]=-6935/57122,$
 $a[6,2]=23085/48334,$
 $a[6,3]=33363360/273642941,$
 $a[6,4]=972160/118442467,$
 $a[6,5]=172687360/610434253,$
 $a[7,1]=611/1891,$
 $a[7,2]=-4617/7564,$
 $a[7,3]=6041007/13176488,$
 $a[7,4]=12708836/22100117,$
 $a[7,5]=-35840000/62461621,$
 $a[7,6]=6597591/7972456,$

$b[1]=131/1800,$
 $b[2]=0,$
 $b[3]=1121931/3902080,$
 $b[4]=319333/1682928,$
 $b[5]=262144/2477325,$
 $b[6]=4084223/15177600,$
 $b[7]=1891/25200,$

$b^*[1]=1530637/26100360,$
 $b^*[2]=0,$
 $b^*[3]=46684107/133951090,$
 $b^*[4]=176208361/1789061040,$
 $b^*[5]=2228989952/10565208225,$
 $b^*[6]=5/24,$
 $b^*[7]=1891/25200$