

Documentation for dynsys.h and dynsys.c

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typedef struct phpt {
    int sp;
    float *sa;
    int fp;
    int fs;
    float *fa; } *phptr;

#define MaxIntPar 10

int ODEuler(void (*eqm)(float *,float *,float *),float *k,int p,float *u,float
    tf,float dt,int (*trackfn)(float,int,float *));
int ODErk4(void (*eqm)(float *,float *,float *),float *k,int p,float *u,float
    tf,float dt,int (*trackfn)(float,int,float *));
int ODErkas(void (*eqm)(float *,float *,float *),float *k,int p,float *u,float
    tf,float dt,int (*trackfn)(float,int,float *));
void EQMsho(float *u,float *k,float *dudt);
void EQMlorenz(float *u,float *k,float *dudt);

phptr phptalloc(int sp,int fp,int fs);
void phptfree(phptr u);
int phptsave(phptr u,char *fnames,char *fnamef);
phptr phpload(char *fnames,char *fnamef);
int ODEFuler(void (*eqm)(phptr,void *,phptr),void *k,phptr u,float *Dt,float
    intpar[],int (*trackfn)(float,phptr,void *),void *trackptr);
int ODEFrk4(void (*eqm)(phptr,void *,phptr),void *k,phptr u,float *Dt,float
    intpar[],int (*trackfn)(float,phptr,void *),void *trackptr);
int ODEFrkas(void (*eqm)(phptr,void *,phptr),void *k,phptr u,float *Dt,float
    intpar[],int (*trackfn)(float,phptr,void *),void *trackptr);
void EQMFzero(phptr u,void *k,phptr dudt);
void EQMFsho(phptr u,void *k,phptr dudt);
void EQMFdiff(phptr u,void *k,phptr dudt);
void EQMFwave(phptr u,void *k,phptr dudt);
int TKFticker(float t,phptr u,void *tkptr);
int TKFtimeplot(float t,phptr u,void *tkptr);
int TKFshowfield(float t,phptr u,void *tkptr);

/* start of 2004 version */

typedef struct odestruct {
    int dim;
    int order;
    float *dtptr;
    float dtsugg;
    float dtmax;
    float eps;
    void *systemptr;
    int (*eqm)(void *);
    float **state0;
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float **state1;
float *scale;
float *k1,*k2,*k3,*k4; } *odeptr;

odeptr allocodestruct(int dim,int order,float *dtptr,void *systemptr,int
(*eqm)(void *));
void freeodestruct(odeptr ode);
int runodestruct(odeptr ode);
int odestructexample(void);

/* end of 2004 version */

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This library is really three parallel libraries, each of which integrates ordinary differential equations. Routines without an "F" are designed to work together, and are for small dimensional phase space (presently set for Pmax=10 dimensions, but easily enlarged). Routines with an "F", which stands for "field", are designed for high dimensional phase space, including fields. The latter routines are also a little more general and a little more careful about being proper and checking for errors. The data structure `struct phpt` is only used in the "F" routines. Routines that start with ODE are differential equation integrators, ones that start with EQM are some useful equations of motion, and ones starting with TK are for tracking the results of the integrations. Routines in the section called '2004 version' are different yet, and use a data structure called `odestruct`, pointed to by `odeptr`. The 2004 routines compile very slowly when maximum compiler optimizations are used.

The notation for the first two sections is largely taken from Stuart and Humphries's *Dynamical Systems and Numerical Analysis* while the algorithms are from *Numerical Recipes in C*. The code is similar to that in *Numerical Recipes*, but mine are a little faster and seem to me to be simpler.

The "F" routines use the structure `struct phpt`, pointed to by the type `phptr`, to define a point in phase space. The members `sp`, `fp`, and `fs` are, respectively, the number of scalar dimensions in phase space, the number of field dimensions, and the size of the fields. The members `sa` and `fa` are the actual scalar and field arrays. `sa` is indexed from 0 to `sp-1`, while `fa` is indexed with columns 0 to `fp-1` to identify the field and with rows from 0 to `fs-1` to identify the location in the field. Thus, for example, `u->fa[u->fp*(u->fs-1)+0]` is the last element of the first field of the `phptr u`. Memory for `struct phpts` are allocated with `phptalloc` and freed with `phptfree`. The former routine returns a `phptr`, set up with the `sp`, `fp`, and `fs` members defined (using the input arguments) and space allocated in the appropriate arrays. If memory allocation failed, `phptalloc` returns a 0.

The 2004 routines use a rather different scheme. Rather than integrating an ODE over a long period of time and having the integrator call back to a tracking function, the new routines are designed for only a single time step. The idea is that they are just simply routines that can be called from an existing program rather than a design that a program needs to be built around. `odestruct`, pointed to by a `odeptr`, is a structure that contains all the useful information about an ODE, including scratch space for the integrator. `dim` is the number of dimensions of the system of equations, which is the number of differential equations. `order` is the order of the Runge-Kutta integrator, which is allowed to equal 1 for Euler integration, 2 for mid-point method, 4 for 4th order

Runge-Kutta, or 5 for 5th order Runge-Kutta with adaptive step-sizing. `dtptr` is a pointer to the variable that contains the time step. For order 5, `dtptr` is used to make `dt` equal to the actual size step that was taken, `dtsugg` is the suggested size of the next step, `dtmax` is the maximum time step allowed, and `eps` is the absolute maximum error allowed in any state variable. `systemptr` is a pointer to a structure that contains everything that is known about the system, cast as a `void*`; it is never used in any of the routines here, but it is passed on to the relevant function with the equations of motion. `eqm` is the function for the equations of motion, where its only parameter is the system, pointed to by `systemptr`. `state0` and `state1` are `dim` long lists of pointers, where each pointer points to one of the time dependent variables. `scale` is a list of values that are used to scale the calculated errors for step size control. `k1` to `k4` are `dim` size vectors for scratch space and are only allocated as needed.

When the integrator is done with one time step, the variables pointed to by `state0` contain the state of the system at the end of the time step, while those pointed to by `state1` contain the state of the system at the beginning of the time step. While the integrator is busy, `state1` points to the current system values and `state0` is supposed to be returned to the integrator from the equations of motion function with the time derivative for each variable. This is made clearer below. If the `odestruct` is allocated with one `order` value, it is allowable to change the `order` to a lower value, but the `order` may not be raised above the original value because the required memory will not have been allocated.

To see how to use the routines, it is easiest to follow the example given in the library code, including the routine `odestructexample`. What's not shown there is that the `scale` vector can be useful for improving the quality of step sizing for order 5 integration. As a default, all `scale` values are equal to 1.0 to maintain an unscaled absolute error. Alternatively, values could be set to "typical" values for that state variable to still maintain absolute errors, but now without focusing on the smallest valued state variables. Also, `scale` could be reset at each time step to equal the absolute value of the state variable to maintain a constant relative error, but one needs to make sure that it is never zero.

Pre-2004 routines

ODEuler and ODEFeuler

These use Euler's method of differential equation integration, which is simple but of low quality. The non-"F" ODE routines all take in identical arguments. Going through them in order, pass in a function name for the equations of motion, a vector of constant parameters (not used by the integrator, but passed on to `*eqm`), the dimension of phase space, the initial conditions (`u[0..p-1]`), the final time, the time step, and the name of a function to track the results. The `*eqm` function is sent a point in phase space, the constant vector `k`, and an uninitialized array in which the first time derivatives are to be returned. Note that the time is not sent, so if it is needed, it needs to be added as another dimension. If the `*eqm` function returns a non-zero value, the integration is stopped. If you don't want to watch or record the results as they are produced, making `*trackfn` a NULL pointer will tell the integrator to keep going. Otherwise, `*trackfn` is sent the time, the dimension of phase space, and the present point in phase space. It is called after the first time step, and every step thereafter up to, but not including `tf`. The tracking function should return zero for stable operation and a non-zero integer to abort the integration.

The arguments to the "F" integrators are similar to those for the other integrators. Going through them in order, pass in a function name for the equations of motion, a pointer to the constant parameters for the equations of motion, the starting point in

phase space, a pointer to the total time increment, a set of parameters for the integrator, the name of a function to track results, and a pointer to any information needed by the tracking function. As above, the `*eqm` function is sent a point in phase space, the pointer to the constant parameters, and an uninitialized `phptr` in which the gradient is to be returned. The constant parameters for the equations of motion, pointed to by `k`, may be an array of numbers, a `struct phpt`, or whatever other data type is expected by the equations of motion. The parameters to the integrator could be numerous in principal, but in fact all of the routines written so far only look at the first element, `intpar[0]`, to get the integration step size (or the initial step size for `ODEFrkas`). The constant `MaxIntPar` sets the maximum required size of the `intpar` array. Making `*trackfn` a `NULL` pointer tells the integrators to continue until they finish. Otherwise, they call `*trackfn` after each step, with the time, the present point in phase space, and a pointer to any information for the tracking function. Again, this last pointer is completely general. The tracking function is called after one time step, and then each time step thereafter, up to, but not including, `Dt`. If an integrator is interrupted before it finishes, it returns the value 1; otherwise it returns 0. Regardless of how it terminates, the actual time integrated is returned as `*Dt` and the phase space point for that time is returned in `u`.

ODErk4 and ODEFrk4

These use a fixed step fourth order Runge-Kutta algorithm, which is much better than Euler's method. See above for arguments.

ODErkas and ODEFrkas

These use a fifth order Runge-Kutta algorithm with adaptive step sizing. Thus, the routines take large steps in smooth areas of phase space and small steps in more difficult regions. Step sizing is supposed to work such that the error on each step is as high as possible, but no more than that taken on the first step, for which the step size is supplied by the user. See above for arguments.

EQMsho

This is a set of equations of motion for a simple harmonic oscillator. It requires one constant, ω^2 (store this in `k[0]`). The first phase space dimension is the position, while the second is the velocity. The equations are: $dx/dt = v$; $dv/dt = -\omega^2 x$.

EQMLorenz

This contains the Lorenz equations. The phase space dimensions are x , y , and z , while the constant parameters are σ , r , and b . Equations are: $dx/dt = \sigma(y-x)$; $dy/dt = rx - y - xz$; $dz/dt = xy - bz$.

phptsave and phptload

Phase points may be saved to or loaded from disk with the routines `phptsave` and `phptload`. For both routines, the file names may be sent with the `fnames` and `fnamef` arguments, or, if they are set to `NULL`, the routines ask the user for file names. The `fnames` file is a file of the scalar array and `fnamef` file is a matrix of the field elements. `phptsave` returns 1 if saving was successful, and 0 otherwise.

EQMFzero

This requires no constant parameters and returns a zero gradient everywhere.

EQMFsho

This contains the equations of motion for a simple harmonic oscillator, inputting ω^2 in `k[0]` (cast to a `float`).

EQMdiff

This contains the equations of motion for diffusion in the first field (u->fa[0][j]) with diffusion constant k[0].

EQMwave

This contains the wave equation in the first two fields with c^2 from k[0].

TKFticker

This displays the first two scalar parameters as text.

TKFtimeplot

This plots the first scalar parameter as a function of time.

TKFshowfield

This plots the first field, replacing it at each time step.

2004 routines

odeptr allocodestruct(int dim,int order,float *dtptr,void *systemptr,int (*eqm)(void *));

This allocates an odestruct and returns an odeptr that points to it, assuming allocation was successful, or NULL if not. dim is the number of differential equations (number of time dependent variables), order is the maximum order of integration that will be used (1, 2, 4, or 5), dtptr is a pointer to the variable that contains the time step, systemptr is a pointer to a structure that contains all the relevant information for the equations of motion function cast as a void*, and eqm is a pointer to the function with the equations of motion. See below for use advice. This function allocates all memory that is required and assigns all structure elements of the odestruct, except for the pointers in the state0 and state1 lists. These are left as all NULLs and need to be set elsewhere. scale is set to all 1's if order is 5 and is left as NULL otherwise. About eqm: it should use the values in the state1 vector to calculate the derivatives, which are to be stored in the state0 vector; it should return 0 for correct operation and 1 for failure.

freeodestruct

This frees an odestruct, including all memory that was allocated using allocodestruct. It does not free memory that was allocated elsewhere.

runodestruct

This performs the integration of an odestruct over one time step. It uses Euler, Mid-point, fixed step Runge-Kutta, or adaptive step Runge-Kutta, as appropriate. On input, state0 pointers point to the current state of the system and state1 pointers are ignored. On output, state1 pointers point to the past state of the system and state0 pointers point to the new state. Note that the derivative information is not set to zero before the equations of motion function is called. The eqm function for the equations of motion is supposed to return 0 for correct operation and any other value for failure; on failure, runodestruct returns the same error code and otherwise returns 0.

odestructexample

This is an example of the use of the 2004 routines using a simple harmonic oscillator. The equations of motion are: $dx/dt = v$; $dv/dt = -\omega^2 x - 2\gamma v$. γ is a damping term. According to basic physics, the exact theoretical results are:

$$x = Ae^{-\gamma t} \cos(\omega_1 t - \phi)$$
$$v = Ae^{-\gamma t} [-\omega_1 \sin(\omega_1 t - \phi) - \gamma \cos(\omega_1 t - \phi)]$$

where $\omega_1 = (\omega^2 - \gamma^2)^{1/2}$

Using order 1 integration, results are way off, with an amplitude that does not decrease nearly fast enough. Results are better with order 2 and excellent with orders 4 or 5. With order 5, it is important to limit the time step to the natural time constant of the system, which is ω^{-1} . Because absolute errors are kept below a threshold, the relative errors become large when absolute values are small, unless a maximum time step is enforced.