

NEW APPROACH TO SOLVE HYBRID FUZZY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION

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ABSTRACT

This study presents solution for the first order hybrid fuzzy differential equation by Runge-Kutta method of order two with new parameters and Harmonic mean of k_i 's which are used in the main formula in order to increase the order of accuracy of the solution. This method is discussed in detail followed by a complete error analysis. The accuracy and efficiency of the proposed method is illustrated by solving a fuzzy initial value problem.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In recent years many works have been performed by several authors in numerical solutions of fuzzy differential equations. Fuzzy differential equations are applied in Population models, civil engineering, particle systems, medicine, bioinformatics and computational biology. Particularly, the use of Hybrid Fuzzy Differential equations is a natural way to model control systems with embedded uncertainty that are capable of controlling complex systems which have discrete event dynamics as well as continuous time dynamics. Furthermore there are some numerical techniques to solve hybrid fuzzy differential equations (Pederson and Sambandham, 2006; 2007; Prakash and Kalaiselvi, 2009; 2012; Ababneh *et al.*, 2009; Nirmala and Pandian, 2011).

In this study, we develop numerical method for hybrid fuzzy differential equations by an application of the Runge-Kutta method of order two with new parameters and Harmonic mean of k_i 's which are used in the main formula in order to increase the order of accuracy of the solution.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 2.1:

A fuzzy number u is a fuzzy subset of \mathbb{R} (i.e.,) $u: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0,1]$ satisfying the following conditions:

- u is normal (i.e.,) $\exists x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ with $u(x_0) = 1$
- u is a convex fuzzy set (i.e.,) $u(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \geq \min\{u(x), u(y)\} \forall \lambda \in [0,1], x, y \in \mathbb{R}$
- u is upper semi continuous on \mathbb{R}
- $\{x \in \mathbb{R}, u(x) > 0\}$ is compact

Let E be the class of all fuzzy subsets of \mathbb{R} . Then E is called the space of fuzzy numbers clearly, $\mathbb{R} \subset E$ and $\mathbb{R} \subset E$ is understood as $\mathbb{R} = \{R_x: R \text{ is usual real number}\}$.

An arbitrary fuzzy number is represented by an ordered pair of functions $(\underline{u}(r), \bar{u}(r))$, $0 \leq r \leq 1$ that satisfies the following requirements:

- $\underline{u}(r)$ is a bounded left continuous non decreasing function over $[0, 1]$, with respect to any r

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- $\bar{u}(r)$ is a bounded right continuous non increasing function over $[0, 1]$, with respect to any r
- $\underline{u}(r) \leq \bar{u}(r), 0 \leq r \leq 1$

Then the r -level set is $[u]_r = \{x|u(x) \geq r\}, 0 \leq r \leq 1$ is a closed and bounded interval denoted by $[u]_r [\underline{u}(r), \bar{u}(r)]$ and clearly, $[u]_0 = \{x|u(x) > 0\}$ is compact.

3. THE HYBRID FUZZY DIFFERENTIAL SYSTEM

Consider the hybrid fuzzy differential system Equation (1):

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = f(t, x(t), \lambda_k(x_k)), t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}] \\ x(t_k) = x_k \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where, $0 \leq t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_k, \dots, t_k \rightarrow \infty$

$$f \in C[\mathbb{R}^+ \times E \times E, E], \lambda_k \in C[E, E]$$

Here, we assume that the existence and uniqueness of solution of the hybrid system hold on each $[t_k, t_{k+1}]$ to be specific the system would look like:

$$x'(t) = \begin{cases} x_0'(t) = f(t, x_0(t), \lambda_0(x_0)), x(t_0) = x_0, t \in [t_0, t_1] \\ x_1'(t) = f(t, x_1(t), \lambda_1(x_1)), x(t_1) = x_1, t \in [t_1, t_2] \\ \vdots \\ x_k'(t) = f(t, x_k(t), \lambda_k(x_k)), x(t_k) = x_k, t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}] \\ \vdots \end{cases}$$

By the solution of (1) we mean the following function:

$$x(t) = x(t, t_0, x_0) = \begin{cases} x_0(t), t \in [t_0, t_1] \\ x_1(t), t \in [t_1, t_2] \\ \vdots \\ x_k(t), t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}] \\ \vdots \end{cases}$$

We note that the solutions of (1) are piecewise differentiable in each interval for $t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}]$ for a fixed $x_k \in E$ and $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Using a representation of fuzzy numbers we may represent $x \in E$ by a pair of functions $(\underline{x}(r), \bar{x}(r)), 0 \leq r \leq 1$, such that:

- $\underline{x}(r)$ is bounded, left continuous and non decreasing,
- $\bar{x}(r)$ is bounded, left continuous and non increasing and
- $\underline{x}(r) \leq \bar{x}(r), 0 \leq r \leq 1$

Therefore we may replace (1) by an equivalent system Equation (2):

$$\begin{cases} \underline{x}'(t) = \underline{f}(t, x, \lambda_k(x_k)) \equiv F_k(t, \underline{x}, \bar{x}), \underline{x}(t_k) = \underline{x}_k \\ \bar{x}'(t) = \bar{f}(t, x, \lambda_k(x_k)) \equiv G_k(t, \underline{x}, \bar{x}), \bar{x}(t_k) = \bar{x}_k \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Which possesses a unique solution (\underline{x}, \bar{x}) which is a fuzzy function. That is for each t , the pair $[\underline{x}(t; r), \bar{x}(t; r)]$ is a fuzzy number, where $\underline{x}(t; r), \bar{x}(t; r)$ are respectively the solutions of the parametric form given by Equation (3):

$$\begin{cases} \underline{x}'(t) = F_k(t, \underline{x}(t; r), \bar{x}(t; r)), \underline{x}(t_k; r) = \underline{x}_k(r) \\ \bar{x}'(t) = G_k(t, \underline{x}(t; r), \bar{x}(t; r)), \bar{x}(t_k; r) = \bar{x}_k(r) \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

For $r \in [0, 1]$.

4. THE SECOND ORDER RUNGE KUTTA METHOD WITH HARMONIC MEAN

For a hybrid fuzzy differential equation we develop the second order Runge Kutta method with harmonic mean when f and λ_k in (1) can be obtained via the Zadeh (1965) extension principle from:

$$f \in C[\mathbb{R}^+ \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}] \text{ and } \lambda_k \in C[\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}]$$

We assume that the existence and uniqueness of solutions of (1) hold for each $[t_k, t_{k+1}]$. For a fixed r , to integrate the system in (3) $[t_0, t_1], [t_1, t_2], \dots, \dots, [t_k, t_{k+1}], \dots$ we replace each interval by a set of N_{k+1} discrete equally spaced grid points (including the end points) at which the exact solution $x(t; r) = (\underline{x}(t; r), \bar{x}(t; r))$ is approximated by some $(\underline{y}_k(t; r), \bar{y}_k(t; r))$. For the chosen grid points on $[t_k, t_{k+1}]$ at

$$t_{k,n} = t_k + nh_k, h_k = \frac{t_{k+1} - t_k}{N_k}, 0 \leq n \leq N_k. \text{ Let}$$

$(\underline{Y}_k(t;r), \overline{Y}_k(t;r)) \equiv (\underline{x}(t;r), \overline{x}(t;r)), (\underline{y}_k(t;r), \overline{y}_k(t;r))$ and $(\underline{y}_k(t;r), \overline{y}_k(t;r))$ may be denoted respectively by $(\underline{y}_{k,n}(r), \overline{y}_{k,n}(r))$ and $(\underline{y}_{k,n}(r), \overline{y}_{k,n}(r))$. We allow the N_k 's to vary over the $[t_k, t_{k+1}]$'s so that the h_k 's may be comparable. The second order Runge Kutta method for (1) is given by:

$$\underline{y}_{k,n+1}(r) - \underline{y}_{k,n}(r) = 2 \frac{k_1(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) k_2(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))}{k_1(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) + k_2(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))}$$

$$\overline{y}_{k,n+1}(r) - \overline{y}_{k,n}(r) = 2 \frac{\overline{k}_1(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) \overline{k}_2(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))}{\overline{k}_1(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) + \overline{k}_2(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))}$$

Where:

$$\underline{k}_1(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) = \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} h_k f(t_{k,n}, u, \lambda_k(u_k)) \\ u \in [\underline{y}_{k,n}(r), \overline{y}_{k,n}(r)] \\ u_k \in [\underline{y}_{k,0}(r), \overline{y}_{k,0}(r)] \end{array} \right\},$$

$$\overline{k}_1(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} h_k f(t_{k,n}, u, \lambda_k(u_k)) \\ u \in [\underline{y}_{k,n}(r), \overline{y}_{k,n}(r)] \\ u_k \in [\underline{y}_{k,0}(r), \overline{y}_{k,0}(r)] \end{array} \right\},$$

$$\underline{k}_2(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) = \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} h_k f(t_{k,n} + h_k, u, \lambda_k(u_k)) \\ u \in \left[\frac{z_{k1}(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))}{z_{k1}(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))} \right] \\ u_k \in [\underline{y}_{k,0}(r), \overline{y}_{k,0}(r)] \end{array} \right\},$$

$$\overline{k}_2(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} h_k f(t_{k,n} + h_k, u, \lambda_k(u_k)) \\ u \in \left[\frac{z_{k1}(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))}{z_{k1}(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))} \right] \\ u_k \in [\underline{y}_{k,0}(r), \overline{y}_{k,0}(r)] \end{array} \right\}$$

Where:

$$\underline{z}_{k1}(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) = \underline{y}_{k,n}(r) + \underline{k}_1(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))$$

$$\overline{z}_{k1}(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) = \overline{y}_{k,n}(r) + \overline{k}_1(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))$$

Next we define:

$$S_k \left[t_{k,n}, \underline{y}_{k,n}(r), \overline{y}_{k,n}(r) \right]$$

$$= 2 \frac{k_2(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) \underline{k}_z(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))}{k_2(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) + \underline{k}_z(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))}$$

$$T_k \left[t_{k,n}, \underline{y}_{k,n}(r), \overline{y}_{k,n}(r) \right]$$

$$= 2 \frac{\overline{k}_2(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) \overline{k}_z(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))}{\overline{k}_2(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r)) + \overline{k}_z(t_{k,n}; y_{k,n}(r))}$$

The exact solution at $t_{k,n+1}$ is given by:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{Y}_{k,n+1}(r) \approx \underline{Y}_{k,n}(r) + S_k \left[t_{k,n}, \underline{y}_{k,n}(r), \overline{y}_{k,n}(r) \right], \\ \overline{Y}_{k,n+1}(r) \approx \overline{Y}_{k,n}(r) + T_k \left[t_{k,n}, \underline{y}_{k,n}(r), \overline{y}_{k,n}(r) \right], \end{array} \right.$$

The approximate solution is given by Equation (4):

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{Y}_{k,n+1}(r) \approx \underline{Y}_{k,n}(r) + S_k \left[t_{k,n}, \underline{y}_{k,n}(r), \overline{y}_{k,n}(r) \right], \\ \overline{Y}_{k,n+1}(r) \approx \overline{Y}_{k,n}(r) + T_k \left[t_{k,n}, \underline{y}_{k,n}(r), \overline{y}_{k,n}(r) \right], \end{array} \right. \quad (4)$$

Lemma 4.1

Suppose $i \in Z^+$, $\epsilon_i > 0$, $r \in [0,1]$ and $h_i < 1$ are fixed. Let $\{Z_{i,n}(r)\}_{n=0}^{N_i}$ be the Runge Kutta like formulae approximation with $N = N_i$ to the fuzzy IVP equation (5):

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x'(t) = f(t, x(t), \lambda_i(x_i)), t \in [t_i, t_{i+1}], \\ x(t_i) = x_i \end{array} \right. \quad (5)$$

If $\{y_{i,n}(r)\}_{n=0}^{N_i}$ denotes the result (4) from some $y_{i,0}(r)$, then there exists a $\delta_i > 0$ such that:

$$|z_{i,0}(r) - \underline{y}_{i,0}(r)| < \delta_i, |z_{i,0}(r) - \overline{y}_{i,0}(r)| < \delta_i \text{ implies}$$

$$|z_{i,N_i}(r) - \underline{y}_{i,N_i}(r)| < \epsilon_i, |z_{i,N_i}(r) - \overline{y}_{i,N_i}(r)| < \epsilon_i$$

Theorem 4.1

Consider the systems (2) and (4). For a fixed $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ and $r \in [0,1]$:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \underline{y}_{k, Nk}(r) = \underline{x}(t_{k+1}; r),$$

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \bar{y}_{k, Nk}(r) = \bar{x}(t_{k+1}; r)$$

5. NUMERICAL ILLUSTRATION

To give a clear overview of our study and to illustrate the above discussed technique, we consider the following examples.

Example 5.1

Consider the following hybrid fuzzy IVP:

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = x(t) + m(t)\lambda_k(x(t_k)), t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}], \\ t_k = k, k = 0, 1, 2, \\ x(0, r) = [0.75 + 0.25r, 1.125 - 0.125r] 0 \leq r \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Where:

$$m(t) = \begin{cases} 2(t \pmod 1), & \text{if } t \pmod 1 \leq 0.5 \\ 2(1 - t \pmod 1), & \text{if } t \pmod 1 > 0.5 \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda_k(\mu) = \begin{cases} \hat{0}, & \text{if } k = 0 \\ \mu, & \text{if } k \in \{1, 2, \dots\} \end{cases}$$

The exact solution for $t \in [0,1]$ is:

$$x(t; r) = [(0.75 + 0.25r)e^t, (1.125 - 0.125r)e^t].$$

For $t \in [1,2]$, the exact solution satisfies:

$$x(t; r) = x(1, r) [2t - 2 + e^{t-1.5} (3\sqrt{e} - 4)]$$

Then $x(2,0,1)$ is approximately 9.68 and $y_{1,10}$ (1) is approximately 9.6031. For additional comparison, **Fig. 1** shows the graphs of $x(2,0)$, $y_{1,10}$ and the corresponding Euler approximation.

Consider the following hybrid fuzzy IVP:

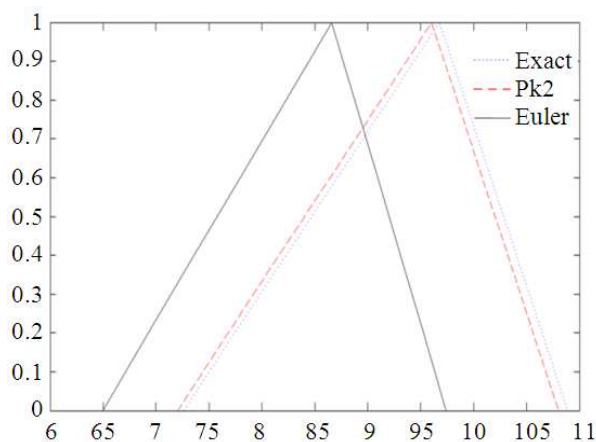


Fig. 1. Comparison of exact and approximated solutions of Example 1

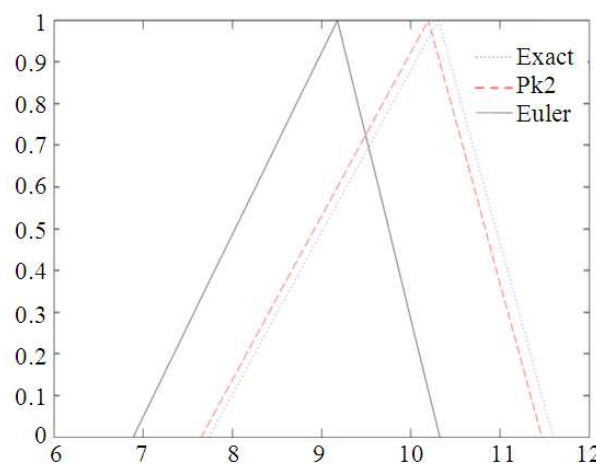


Fig. 2. Comparison of exact and approximated solutions of Example 1

$$\begin{cases} x'(t) = x(t) + m(t)\lambda_k(x(t_k)), t \in [t_k, t_{k+1}], t_k = k, k = 0, 1, 2, \\ x(0, r) = [0.75 + 0.25r, 1.125 - 0.125r] 0 \leq r \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

where, $m(t) = |\sin(\pi t)|, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$\lambda_k(\mu) = \begin{cases} \hat{0}, & \text{if } k = 0 \\ \mu, & \text{if } k \in \{1, 2, \dots\} \end{cases}$$

The exact solution for $t \in [0,1]$ is:

$$x(t; r) = [(0.75 + 0.25r)e^t, (1.125 - 0.125r)e^t]$$

For $t \in [1, 2]$, the exact solution satisfies:

$$x(t; r) = x(1, r) \frac{\pi \cos(\pi t) + \sin(\pi t)}{\pi^2 + 1} + \frac{e^t}{e} x(1, r) \left(1 + \frac{\pi}{\pi^2 + 1} \right)$$

Then $x(2.0, 1)$ is approximately 10.31 and $y_{1,10}(1)$ is approximately 10.198. For additional comparison, **Fig. 2** shows the graphs of $x(2.0), y_{1,10}$ and the corresponding Euler approximation.

6. CONCLUSION

In this study we applied Runge Kutta method of order two for finding the numerical solution of hybrid fuzzy differential equations. Taking into account the convergence order of the Euler method is $O(h)$, a higher order of convergence $O(h^3)$ is obtained by the proposed method.

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