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ABSTRACT

RKF is a set of C functions which implements the Runge-Kutta-Fehlberg (4,5) formulas for integration of ordinary differential equations. Features include variable step-size, reliable error control, stiffness detection, and a control structure that is designed for interactive programs.

The Algorithm

The basic method used in RKF is the Runge-Kutta-Fehlberg (4, 5) formula. However, much more is involved in turning a basic integration formula into a computer program than just coding the formula. In [1] and [2] Shampine and Watts go into great detail describing what constitutes a good Runge-Kutta algorithm and they explain in detail the design decisions and workings of RKF45, the original FORTRAN code on which RKF is based.

Why use RKF? The fourth order Runge-Kutta integration formulas documented in every basic differential equation book leave out one essential ingredient for practical implementation: efficient error estimation. The typical method for error estimation using 4th-order Runge-Kutta is a process of halving step-sizes which leads to inefficient code. The Fehlberg (4, 5) method estimates the error by using a combination of 4th and 5th order formulas. This error estimation can be achieved using just six function evaluations and it gives a result accurate to the 5th order. The halving technique can use as many as eight function evaluations to get a result accurate to only the 4th order. This feature along with stiffness detection (see below) makes RKF a useful integration package.

Single-step Versus Multi-step Solvers

The differential equation to be integrated has the following form:

\[ y' = f(y, t), \quad y(t_0) = y_0 \]

When the above equation is solved numerically, one obtains the approximation \( \hat{y}(t_0), \hat{y}(t_1), \ldots \)
\( \hat{y}(t_n) \) to the true trajectory at the discrete time points \( t_0, t_1, \ldots, t_n \). To obtain the solution at time \( t_n \) a single-step solver makes use of the solution at the previous time point \( t_{n-1} \), along with evaluations of \( f \) and possibly its derivative. A multi-step solver makes use of the solution at a number of previous time points, the function \( f \) evaluated at various time points, and possibly the derivative of \( f \).

One of the advantages of a multi-step method is that it can be designed to use relatively few function evaluations per step. Thus, if function evaluations are costly, a multi-step method can be more economical. However, the increase in computational overhead due to keeping track of the solution at a number of time points is the main disadvantage of multi-step methods. So, if function evaluations are cheap, a single step method can be quicker.

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Stiffness in Single-Step Solvers

Stiffness can make a differential equation unsolvable numerically; however, programs like RKF with good error control will not give inaccurate answers but will become inefficient, sometimes to the point of being worthless for solving a problem. For a readable account of what stiffness means in differential equations and some all around good advice concerning solving differential equations numerically, see [3] and [4].

How does one know whether the differential equation is stiff or just difficult to integrate accurately? RKF contains an algorithm that detects whether the differential equation is looking stiff with respect to the Fehlberg (4, 5) formulas. Hence, if the solver is becoming inefficient, check what the stiffness detection algorithm says. Note that if the integration seems to be proceeding at an acceptable pace and stiffness is detected, don't panic! There will not be a loss of accuracy and the stiffness warning can be ignored. However, if stiffness is detected and is causing the integration to become intractable, it is necessary to switch to another integration package that is designed for stiff equations.

The theory behind the stiffness detection algorithm in RKF is well documented in [5] and [6].

Interactive Programs

With the abundance of personal computers and work-stations, ease of use is becoming a priority in software design. Most integration packages are written in FORTRAN by scientists. The combination of these two factors does not always lead to good software design. RKF was specifically created to allow interactive programs to be written easily and quickly.

The control structure of RKF is clean. Many integration packages have one function call that does everything. It sets the initial condition, the error tolerances, the integration mode, and returns the integration status. To make a simple call to move one step in the integration, the programmer must supply ten or fifteen parameters. The approach in RKF is to group parameters together and have many function calls. For example, there is a function that sets the initial condition, one that sets the error tolerances, one that sets the integration mode, one that returns the integration status, and one that performs the integration. This modularity makes program writing easier and less error prone.

RKF is designed to be used in interactive programs. There is a facility for suspending the integration, usually upon receipt of input from the console. The integration can be resumed later with no loss in computation.

Another unusual feature of RKF is that it can integrate two or more equations at the same time. The ODE interface of RKF is based on the standard file interface of C. ODEs are opened and closed and just as more than one file can be accessed from a single C program, more than one ODE can be integrated by a single RKF program.
References


Appendix I: Manual Pages for RKF
NAME
rkf_intro – introduction to RKF integration package

SYNOPSIS
#include <local/rkf.h>

DESCRIPTION
rkf integrates a system of differential equations in state equation form. It is a C implementation of the RKF45 subroutine originally written in FORTRAN by H. A. Watts and L. F. Shampine of Sandia Laboratories Albuquerque, New Mexico. rkf is specially designed for use in interactive programs.

rkf uses the Runge-Kutta-Fehlberg (4,5) method of solving differential equations and for estimating the local truncation error. The Fehlberg (4,5) method is a 5th-order Runge-Kutta method that also calculates a 4th-order solution without any additional function evaluations. From these two different solutions, an estimate of the local truncation error can be obtained. This estimate of the local truncation error (i.e., the difference between the approximate solution and the true solution, both starting from the same initial point, over one step) is the basis of the variable stepsize algorithm.

Much as file functions in C operate on FILE pointers, the functions in rkf operate on RKF pointers. Just as each file must be opened to associate it with a FILE pointer, each differential equation must be opened to associate it with an RKF pointer.

Like files, more than one differential equation may be open at the same time. Furthermore, the same differential equation may be simultaneously associated with more than one RKF pointer (i.e., be open more than once at the same time). This allows the user great flexibility in writing programs using this integration package.

A differential equation is opened by a call to rkf_open(3ML). Once the differential equation is opened, rkf_error(3ML) and rkf_init(3ML) should be called to set up the error tolerances and initial condition, respectively. The actual integration is performed by rkf(3ML). When the integration is finished, the differential equation should be closed by a call to rkf_close(3ML).

DIAGNOSTICS
rkf utilizes an error code denoting the status of the integration. The error codes are defined as macros in <local/rkf.h> as follows:

0 OK
   Everything is okay.
1 NEG_ERROR
   _rel_err is not positive or _abs_err is negative.
2 REL_LIM
   _rel_err is below its predefined minimum, that is rel_err < 2.0*m_eps + re_min where m_eps is a machine-dependent constant and re_min = 1.0E-12 (default). If this error occurs, rkf_error(3ML) will set rel_err to its smallest allowed value so you don't need to recall rkf_error(3ML).
3 FUNC_LIM
   rkf is doing too much work, that is the number of function evaluations exceeded max_nfe = 3000 (default) (approximately 500 steps). If you wish to continue the integration just recall rkf(3ML).
4 IO_LIM
   rkf is becoming inefficient because of too much output, that is, the output is restricting the natural stepsize. If you wish to continue the integration just recall rkf(3ML).
5 ZERO_ABS
   Vanishing solution needs a non-zero abs_err to continue the integration. A
pure relative error test is impossible (and infeasible) due to a zero solution. Before you resume integration, call \texttt{rkf\_error(3ML)} with a non-zero value for \texttt{abs\_err}.

6 \textbf{STEP\_LIM}

Requested accuracy cannot be achieved with the smallest allowed stepsize. This flag probably indicates that the integration cannot go on, that is, the solution is singular or has finite escape time. If you want to continue, reset either \texttt{abs\_err} or \texttt{rel\_err} or both to a larger value by a call to \texttt{rkf\_error(3ML)}.

7 \textbf{STIFF\_EQN}

The differential equation is stiff causing \texttt{rkf} to do too much work, that is, the number of function evaluations has exceeded \textit{max\_nfe} = 3000 (default). If you wish to continue the integration just recall \texttt{rkf(3ML)}.

8 \textbf{FUNC\_ERR}

The state equation could not be evaluated at a point and time where \texttt{rkf} needed it, that is, the function \textit{f()} returned FALSE.

9 \textbf{STDIN\_RDY}

Characters are ready to read at stdin. See \texttt{stdin\_chk(3ML)}.

10 \textbf{ERR\_SET}

Error tolerances have not been properly set. Call \texttt{rkf\_error(3ML)} to set the error tolerances.

11 \textbf{INIT\_SET}

The initial condition has not been properly set. Call \texttt{rkf\_init(3ML)} to set the initial condition.

\textbf{EXAMPLE}

Integrate \(y' = -y\). Only minimal error checking is done in this example.

/*C program to integrate \(y' = -y\), \(y(0) = 1.0\) and get solution at \(t = 1.0\).*

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <local/rkf.h>

#define TRUE 1
#define SYS_DIM 1
#define NJNIT 1

int main()
{
    int neqn = 1;
    double y[SYS_DIM];
    double t = 0.0;
    double tout = 1.0;
    double rel_err = 1.0E-7;
    double abs_err = 0.0;
    int err_flag;
    char *rkf_mess();
    int test_f();
    RKF *dp, *rkf_open();

    y[0] = 1.0;
```
if ((dp = rkf_open(test_f, neqn)) == NULL)
{
    fprintf(stderr, "Cannot open RKF\n");
    exit(1);
}
rkf_error(rel_err, abs_err);
rkf_init(t, y);
err_flag = rkf(tout, &t, y, dp);
printf(" t = %e ", t);
printf(" y[0] = %e ", y[0]);
printf(" status: %s\n", rkf_mess(err_flag));
rkf_close(dp);
}

rkf_error(rel_err, abs_err);
rkf_init(t, y);
err_flag = rkf(tout, &t, y, dp);
printf(" t = %e ", t);
printf(" y[0] = %e ", y[0]);
printf(" status: %s\n", rkf_mess(err_flag));
rkf_close(dp);

The functions reside in /usr/local/lib/librkf.a and may be loaded by specifying the -lrkf flag to cc(1) or ld(1).

NOTE
The file <local/rkf.h> must be # included in any source file referencing functions in rkf.

FILES
<local/rkf.h>
/usr/local/lib/librkf.a

SEE ALSO
rkf(3ML), rkf_open(3ML), rkf_error(3ML), rkf_init(3ML), rkf_mess(3ML), rkf_ctrl(3ML),
rkf_read(3ML)

BUGS
rkf almost invariably returns STIFF_EQN after 3000 (max_nfe) function calls.
We had problems in the PC-DOS version because it kept returning ZERO_ABS even when
abs_err was positive.

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NAME
rkf - perform RKF integration

SYNOPSIS
#include <local/rkf.h>

int rkf(t_out, t, y, p)
double t_out, *t, y[];
RKF *p;

DESCRIPTION
rkf performs the integration of the equation associated with *p. t_out is the desired output time. Upon return, *t is the actual output time and y contains the output vector evaluated at *t.

DIAGNOSTICS
rkf returns the rkf error code (see rkf_intro(3ML)).

LIBRARY
The function resides in /usr/local/lib/librkf.a and may be loaded by specifying the -lrkf flag to cc(l) or ld(l).

NOTES
rkf_open(3ML), rkf_error(3ML) and rkf_init(3ML) must be called before rkf.
*t will not be equal to t_out only when an error occurs (rkf does not return OK).
y should point to a buffer large enough to hold the result.

FILES
<local.rkf.h>
/usr/local/lib/librkf.a

SEE ALSO
rkf_intro(3ML), rkf_open(3ML), rkf_init(3ML), rkf_error(3ML), rkf_mess(3ML), rkf_cntrl(3ML), rkf_read(3ML)

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rkf_cntl — miscellaneous functions which set RKF parameters

SYNOPSIS
#include <stdio.h>
#include <local/rkf.h>

rkf_mode(mode, p)
int mode;
RKF *p;

rkf_stdio(fp, p)
int (*fp)();
RKF *p;

rkf_nfe(max_nfe, p)
int max_nfe;
RKF *p;

rkf_kop(max_kop, p)
int max_kop;
RKF *p;

rkf_seq_len(seq_len, p)
int seq_len;
RKF *p;

rkf_re_min(re_min, p)
double re_min;
RKF *p;

rkf_copy(dp, sp)
RKF *dp, *sp;

DESCRIPTION
rkf_mode sets the current integration mode of the integration associated with *p to mode. mode is either ENDPT or SING_STEP. In END_PT mode, rkf(3ML) returns at the final time t_out. In SING_STEP mode, rkf(3ML) returns after every step of the integration until it hits t_out. In neither case is t_out ever passed. The default mode is END_PT.

rkf_stdio is used to set whether the STDIN_RDY error can occur. If fp is NULL, no checking is done; otherwise, fp is a pointer to a function which returns TRUE (= 1) if input is ready and FALSE (= 0) otherwise. The default is no checking done.

rkf_nfe sets the maximum allowed number of function evaluations before the FUNC_LIM error is returned by rkf(3ML). The default is 3000.

rkf_kop sets the maximum allowed number of output points which can impair the efficiency of rkf(3ML) before the IO_LIM error is returned. The default is 100.

rkf_seq_len is used to set the maximum allowed sequence length (used by the stiffness test). The default is 50.

rkf_re_min is used to set the minimum allowed error tolerance. This effects REL_LIM error detection. The default is 1.0e-12.

rkf_copy copies the RKF structure *sp to *dp. Both structures need to have been created by calls to rkf_open(3ML).
LIBRARY
These functions reside in /usr/local/lib/librkf.a and may be loaded by specifying the -lrkf flag to cc(l) or ld(l).

NOTE
< stdio.h> should be # included to satisfy references to NULL.

BUGS
Too many functions on one manual page.
rkf_copy does not really fit in here, but it is such a seldomly used function, it does not really deserve a manual page of its own.

FILES
< local/rkf.h>
/usr/local/lib/librkf.a

SEE ALSO
rkf_intro(3ML), rkf(3ML), rkf_open(3ML), rkf_error(3ML), rkf_init(3ML), rkf_mess(3ML), rkf_read(3ML)

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NAME
rkf_error - set error tolerances for RKF integration

SYNOPSIS
#include < local/rkf.h>

int rkf_error(rel_err, abs_err, p)
double rel_err, abs_err;
RKF *p;

DESCRIPTION
rkf_error sets the relative and absolute error tolerances associated with *p to rel_err and abs_err,
respectively.

Accuracy
The local truncation error is controlled on an error-per-step basis, that is

|loc. trunc. err.| ≤ abs_err + rel_err*|x|

where is the previous solution point.

Intuitively, it might seem that an error-per-unit-step criterion would be better for controlling
the global error. However, the literature does not seem to indicate this and, for differential
equations with discontinuities in their derivatives (e.g. piecewise linear models), an error-per-
unit-step criterion can cause an algorithm to blow up.

DIAGNOSTICS
rkf_error returns the rkf error code (see rkf_intro(3ML)). The possible return values are OK, NEG_ERROR, REL_LIM, ZERO_ABS and STEP_LIM.

If REL_LIM is returned, rkf_error will increase the relative error tolerance to the smallest
allowed amount. Use rkf_read(3ML) to get the new value for the relative error tolerance.

ZERO_ABS (STEP_LIM) will only be returned if ZERO_ABS (STEP_LIM) is the error condition when rkf_error is called and then only if the new values of rel_err and abs_err do not clear
the error condition.

LIBRARY
The function resides in /usr/local/lib/librkf.a and may be loaded by specifying the -lrkf flag
to cc(1) or ld(1).

FILES
< local/rkf.h>
/usr/local/lib/librkf.a

SEE ALSO
rkf_intro(3ML), rkf(3ML), rkf_open(3ML), rkf_init(3ML), rkf_mess(3ML), rkf_cntrl(3ML),
rkf_read(3ML)

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rkf_init - set initial condition for RKF integration

SYNOPSIS
#include <local/rkf.h>

rkf_init(t, x, p)
double t, x[];
RKF *p;

DESCRIPTION
rkf_init sets the initial time t and the initial state x for the state equation associated with *p.

LIBRARY
The function resides in /usr/local/lib/librkf.a and may be loaded by specifying the -lrkf flag to cc(1) or ld(1).

FILES
< local/rkf.h>
/usr/local/lib/librkf.a

SEE ALSO
rkf_intro(3ML), rkf(3ML), rkf_open(3ML), rkf_error(3ML), rkf_mess(3ML), rkf_cntrl(3ML), rkf_read(3ML)

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   rkf_mess - get text version of RKF error status

SYNOPSIS
   # include < local/rkf.h>
   char *rkf_mess(err_flag)
   int err_flag;

DESCRIPTION
   rkf_mess returns a pointer to a string containing a text version of the
   rkf error code represented by err_flag.

EXAMPLE
   char *rkf_mess();
   if (err_flag != OK)
      printf("RKF error: %s\n", rkf_mess(err_flag));

LIBRARY
   The function resides in /usr/local/lib/librkf.a and may be loaded by specifying the -lrkf flag
   to cc(l) or ld(l).

NOTES
   Do not alter the contents of the returned string.
   rkf_mess must be declared as returning a character pointer for it to work properly.

FILES
   < local/rkf.h>
   /usr/local/lib/librkf.a

SEE ALSO
   rkf_intro(3ML), rkf(3ML), rkf_open(3ML), rkf_init(3ML), rkf_error(3ML), rkf_cntrl(3ML),
   rkf_read(3ML)

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NAME
rkf_open, rkf_close – open and close equation for integration

SYNOPSIS
#include <stdio.h>
#include <local/rkf.h>

RKF *rkf_open(f, n)
int (*f)(), n;

rkf_close(p)
RKF *p;

DESCRIPTION
rkf_open returns a pointer to an RKF structure associated with the n-dimensional state equation specified by f.
rkf_close disposes of the RKF structure *p obtained by a previous call to rkf_open.

DIAGNOSTICS
rkf_open returns NULL if there is not enough memory to create an RKF structure or if n is not positive.

LIBRARY
Both functions reside in /usr/local/lib/librkf.a and may be loaded by specifying the -lrkf flag to cc(l) or ld(l).

NOTES
*f must be in the form

    double f(z, x, t)
    double z[], x[], t;

    {
    }

and should set z to the value of the state equation evaluated at x and t.
rkf_open must be declared as returning an RKF pointer for it to work properly.
< stdio.h> must be # included to satisfy references to NULL.

FILES
< local/rkf.h>
/usr/local/lib/librkf.a

SEE ALSO
makef(1L), rkf_intro(3ML), rkf(3ML), rkf_error(3ML), rkf_init(3ML), rkf_mess(3ML), rkf_cntrl(3ML), rkf_read(3ML)

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rkf_read - fetches various RKF parameters

SYNOPSIS
#include <local/rkf.h>

char *rkf_read(code, result, p)
int code;
char *result;
RKF *p;

DESCRIPTION
rkf_read is used to read a variety of parameters associated with the RKF structure *p. code is a
macro indicating what information is wanted. The result is returned in *result. The result may
be an integer, a double or a pointer to a double.
The codes are # defined in <local/rkf.h> as follows:
*result is an integer:
  ERROR_STATUS
   *result set to current error status.
  KOP
   *result set to the current value of kop (indicates the amount of output which has
     restricted the natural stepsize selection).
  NUM_FE
   *result set to the current value of the number of function evaluations.
  EQN_STIFF
   *result set to the current value of the stiff equation indicator.
  ACCEPT
   *result set TRUE (= -1) if the last call to the state equation f resulted in an
     integration step that was accepted. This is useful if f must do some updating or
     initializing for each integration step.
  MODE
   *result set to current integration mode.
  STDIN_CHK
   *result set to current stdin check mode.
  SEQ_LEN
   *result set to current seq_len value.
  MAX_NFE
   *result set to the current maximum for number of function evaluations.
  MAX_KOP
   *result set to the current maximum for number of outputs which will cause an
     IO_LIM error.
  STEP_SIZE
   *result set to current stepsize.
*result is a double:
  MIN_REL
   *result set to current minimum value of the (machine independent portion of
     the) relative error tolerance.
  REL_ERR
   *result set to current value of relative error tolerance.
ABS_ERR
   *result set to current value of absolute error tolerance.

   *result is a pointer to a double:

   Y_PRIME
   *result set to a pointer to an array containing the state equation evaluated at the
   last output point.

EXAMPLE

   int i;
   double x, *y;
   RKF *p;

   rkf_read(ERROR, (char *)&i, p);
   rkf_read(STEP_SIZE, (char *)&x, p);
   rkf_read(Y_PRIME, (char *)&y, p);

LIBRARY

   The function resides in /usr/local/lib/librkf.a and may be loaded by specifying the -lrkf flag
   to cc() or ld().

NOTES

   result should be cast into a character pointer as in the example.
   Do not change any of the values in the buffer returned by the Y_PRIME code.

BUGS

   To be more portable, result should be a pointer to a union, but that would make everything a
   little more complicated.
   Some of the parameters only make sense if you know the internal workings of rkf.

FILES

   < local/rkf.h>
   /usr/local/lib/librkf.a

SEE ALSO

   rkf_intro(3ML), rkf(3ML), rkf_open(3ML), rkf_init(3ML), rkf_error(3ML), rkf_mess(3ML),
   rkf_cntrl(3ML)

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Appendix II: Source Code for RKF

Here we present the source code for RKF. There are two files:

rkf.h
rkf.c.
typedef char RKF;

#define SING_STEP 1
#define ENDPT 2

#define OK 0
#define NEG_ERROR 1
#define REL_LIM 2
#define FUNC_LIM 3
#define IO_LIM 4
#define ZERO_ABS 5
#define STEP_LIM 6
#define STIFF_EQN 7
#define FUNC_ERR 8
#define STDIN_RDY 9
#define ERR_SET 10
#define INIT_SET 11

#define STEP_SIZE 1
#define KOP 2
#define NUM_FE 3
#define EQN_STIFF 4
#define Y_PRIME 5
#define ACCEPT 6
#define MODE 7
#define STDIN_CHK 8
#define SEQ_LEN 9
#define MAX_NFE 10
#define MAX_KOP 11
#define MIN_REL 12
#define REL_ERR 13
#define ABS_ERR 14
#define ERROR_STATUS 15
This file contains rkf()—a C86 version of the RKF45 differential
equation solving subroutine which was originally written by H. A. Watts
and L. F. Shampine of Sandia Laboratories, Albuquerque New Mexico.

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Updated on 10/9/84 to add stiffness detection as described in the references:

1) "Stiffness and Nonstiff Differential Equation Solvers, II:
Detecting Stiffness With Runge-Kutta Methods" L. F. Shampine,
ACM Transactions on Mathematical Software, Vol. 3, No. 1,
March 1977, Pages 44-53.

2) "Detecting stiffness with the Fehlberg (4,5) formulas" L. F.
Shampine and K. L. Hiebert, Comp. and Maths. with Applis.

Updated on 10/11/84 to:

1) Make internal procedures static

2) Allocate working storage for each problem according to system
dimension this will also allow for simultaneous solutions of
differential equations as in the variational equation problem.
This was a major overhaul and involved adding procedures and
changing slightly how the user interfaces with the routines.

Updated on 10/12/84 to:

1) Get rid of redundant evaluations of yp. In the case of a stepsize
failure f1 thru f5 must be reevaluated but yp can be used again.

Updated on 10/23/84 to:

1) take into account the possibility that the derivative function
might not exist at a point where it is to be evaluated. Note:
that this required a slight addition to the "standard function"
interface.

Updated on 11/19/84 to:

1) Add supplementary functions to give user: the stepsize h,
the number of function evaluations num_fe, the number of output
points that impact the stepsize kop, and the stiff equation flag
eqn_stiff.

Updated on 3/29/85:
1) rkf_accept(), rkf_copy(), rkf_mess() added.
2) Cosmetic modifications and name changes to lower case.
3) stdin check added; also added h_failed to RKF_WS.

Updated on 4/18/85:
1) rkf_error(), rkf_init(), rkf_mode() added and corresponding arguments to rkf() deleted.
2) Also error checking was distributed to these functions as much as possible.
3) Initialization modes were deleted (if initialization is required, it is detected internally.
4) nfe_max, kop_max, re_min and seq_len added to RKF_WS structure.

Updated on 6/12/85:
1) Error fixed in rkf() where *t was used instead of ws->t.
2) rkf_copy() fixed to copy init_set, err_set & stdin_chk.
3) calling rkf_init() clears STEP_LIM error.

Updated on 9/22/85:
1) Added user-supplied console status function constat().
   Deleted the stdin_chk flag. This alters rkf_stdin().

Updated on 9/26/85:
1) Added check in rkf() for ee == 8.8 to avoid divide by zero.

#include <stdio.h>
#include "rkf.h"

/* Program Constants */
#define NFE_MAX 3888 /* The expense is controlled by restricting the number of function evaluations to be approximately NFE_MAX. As set this corresponds to about 500 steps. */
#define KOP_MAX 100 /* Maximum number of outputs, that can impair the efficiency of the program, until the program returns with a warning flag. */
#define RE_MIN 1.0E-12 /* Relative error minimum, machine independent part. Attempts to obtain higher accuracy with this algorithm are usually very expensive and often unsuccessful. */

#define TRUE 1
#define FALSE 0 /* The standard boolean values. */

#define SUBSEQ_LEN 50 /* Subsequence length in stiffness test */

typedef struct{ /* Variables for machine epsilon calculation */
    unsigned n; /* Dimension of system to be solved */
    int (*f)(()); /* Pointer to the function to be integrated. */
    int step_init; /* Indicates whether the step size has been initialized. */
    double t; /* Current time */
    double h; /* The integration stepsize. */
    double rel_err, abs_err; /* Error tolerances */
    double re_min; /* Some sort of min for error tolerances */
    int mode; /* Integration mode */
    int err_flag; /* Error indicator */
    unsigned kop; /* Efficiency impaired by output counter */
    unsigned kop_max; /* Maximum for output counter */
    unsigned num_fe; /* Number of function evaluations counter */
    unsigned nfe_max; /* Maximum allowed function evaluations */
    int eqn_stiff; /* Stiffness flag. */
    unsigned seq_count; /* Sequence counter for stiffness test. */
    unsigned seq_len; /* Maximum stiffness sequence length */
    unsigned sucess_12; /* Number of successes of the (1,2) step in a sequence of length seq_len. used in stiffness test. */
    int step_accept; /* TRUE if last evaluation of f() completed a successful integration step */
    int h_failed; /* TRUE if stepsize has been reduced in previous iteration */
    int init_set; /* TRUE if init conds have been set */
    int err_set; /* TRUE if errors have been set */
    int (*constat)(); /* Function to call for console status */
    double *y; /* current trajectory point */
    double *yp, *f1, *f2, *f3, *f4, *f5, *s; /* Pointers to arrays for holding intermediate calculations. */
} RKF_WS;

static double m_eps, u26; /* Machine epsilon and 26 times the unit roundoff. */

RKF_WS *
rkf_open(f, n)
int (**f)(());
unsigned n;
{
    char *calloc();
    RKF_WS *ws;
    if (n < 1)
        return(NULL);
    if ((ws = (RKF_WS *)calloc(1, sizeof(RKF_WS))) == NULL)
        return(NULL);

    /* allocate working storage arrays based on n */
    ws->y = (double *)calloc(n, sizeof(double));
    ws->yp = (double *)calloc(n, sizeof(double));
    ws->f1 = (double *)calloc(n, sizeof(double));
    ws->f2 = (double *)calloc(n, sizeof(double));
    ws->f3 = (double *)calloc(n, sizeof(double));
    ws->f4 = (double *)calloc(n, sizeof(double));
    ws->f5 = (double *)calloc(n, sizeof(double));
    ws->s = (double *)calloc(n, sizeof(double));

    if (ws->y == NULL || ws->yp == NULL || ws->f1 == NULL ||
        ws->f2 == NULL || ws->f3 == NULL || ws->f4 == NULL ||
        ws->f5 == NULL || ws->s == NULL)
    {
        rkf_close(ws);
        return(NULL);
    }

    /* Initialize variables */
    ws->n = n;
    ws->f = f;
    ws->mode = ENDPT;
    ws->step_init = FALSE;
    ws->err_flag = OK;
    ws->kop = 0;
    ws->kop_max = KOP_MAX;
    ws->num_fe = 0;
    ws->nfe_max = NFE_MAX;
    ws->eqn_stiff = FALSE;
    ws->seq_count = 0;
    ws->seq_len = SUBSEQ_LEN;
    ws->sucss_12 = 0;
    ws->kop = 0;
    ws->rel_err = 0.0;
    ws->abs_err = 0.0;
    ws->step_accept = TRUE;
    ws->h_failed = FALSE;
    ws->init_set = FALSE;
    ws->err_set = FALSE;
    ws->constat = NULL;
    ws->re_min = RE_MIN;

    return(ws);
/**Disposes of the working storage structure pointed to by ws. It first disposes of the working storage arrays and then the entire structure*/

rKF_close(ws)

RKF_WS *ws;
{
    if (ws->y != NULL)
        free((char *)ws->y);
    if (ws->yp != NULL)
        free((char *)ws->yp);
    if (ws->f1 != NULL)
        free((char *)ws->f1);
    if (ws->f2 != NULL)
        free((char *)ws->f2);
    if (ws->f3 != NULL)
        free((char *)ws->f3);
    if (ws->f4 != NULL)
        free((char *)ws->f4);
    if (ws->f5 != NULL)
        free((char *)ws->f5);
    if (ws->s != NULL)
        free((char *)ws->s);
    if (ws != NULL)
        free((char *)ws);
    return;
}

/*Copies working storage structure s to d. d must be previously allocated by a call to rKF_open(). The working vectors s->f1 through s->f5 and s->s are not copied.*/

rKF_copy(d, s)

RKF_WS *d, *s;
{
    d->n = s->n;
    d->f = s->f;
    d->step_init = s->step_init;
    d->t = s->t;
    d->h = s->h;
    d->rel_err = s->rel_err;
    d->abs_err = s->abs_err;
    d->re_min = s->re_min;
    d->mode = s->mode;
    d->err_flag = s->err_flag;
}
d->kop = s->kop;
d->kop_max = s->kop_max;
d->num_fe = s->num_fe;
d->nfe_max = s->nfe_max;
d->eqn_stiff = s->eqn_stiff;
d->seq_count = s->seq_count;
d->seq_len = s->seq_len;
d->succ_12 = s->succ_12;
d->step_accept = s->step_accept;
d->h_failed = s->h_failed;
d->init_set = s->init_set;
d->err_set = s->err_set;
d->constat = s->constat;
vec_copy(s->n, d->y, s->y);
vec_copy(s->n, d->yp, s->yp);

/**
 * Returns a string describing err.*/

char *
rkf_mess.err

int err;

{  
switch (err)  
{  
  case OK:  
    return ("integration successful");
  case NEG_ERR:  
    return ("negative error tolerance");
  case REL_LIM:  
    return ("relative error tolerance too small");
  case FUNC_LIM:  
    return ("too many function evaluations");
  case IO_LIM:  
    return ("too much output");
  case ZERO_ABS:  
    return ("nonzero absolute error required");
  case STEP_LIM:  
    return ("stepsize too small");
  case STIFF_EQN:  
    return ("stiff equation");
  case FUNC_ERR:  
    return ("function evaluation error");
  case STDIN_RDY:  
    return ("character ready at stdin");
  case ERR_SET:  
    return ("abs_err and rel_err not properly initialized");
  case INIT_SET:  
    return ("initial conditions not properly initialized");
  default:  
    return ("Bad error code");
  }  
}
rkf_error(rel_err, abs_err, ws)

double rel_err, abs_err;
RKF_WS *ws;

#ifdef DEBUG
fprintf(stderr, "Entering rkf_error()...\n");
#endif
ws->err_set = TRUE;
if (ws->err_flag == ZERO_ABS)
{
    if (abs_err > 0.0)
    {
        ws->abs_err = abs_err;
        ws->err_flag = OK;
    }
}
else if (ws->err_flag == STEP_LIM)
{
    if (abs_err > ws->abs_err)
    {
        ws->abs_err = abs_err;
        ws->err_flag = OK;
    }
    if (rel_err > ws->rel_err)
    {
        ws->rel_err = rel_err;
        ws->err_flag = OK;
    }
}
else
{
    if (rel_err < 0.0 || abs_err < 0.0)
    {
        ws->err_flag = NEG_ERROR;
        ws->err_set = FALSE;
    }
    else if (rel_err < 2.0*m_eps + ws->re_min)
    {
        ws->rel_err = 2.0*m_eps + ws->re_min;
        ws->abs_err = abs_err;
        ws->err_flag = REL_LIM;
    }
    else
    {
        ws->rel_err = rel_err;
        ws->abs_err = abs_err;
        ws->err_flag = OK;
    }
ifdef DEBUG
    fprintf(stderr, "...leaving rkf_error()\n")
#endif
return (ws->err_flag);
}

/**
 * rkf_init(t, x, ws)
 * double t, x[];
 * RKF_WS *ws;
 *
 \ifdef DEBUG
    fprintf(stderr, "Entering rkf_init()...
")
\endif
    ws->t = t;
    vec_copy(ws->n, ws->y, x);
    ws->step_init = FALSE; /*need to re-initialize*/
    ws->init_set = TRUE;
    if (ws->err_flag == INIT_SET || ws->err_flag == STEP_LIM)
        ws->err_flag = OK;
\ifdef DEBUG
    fprintf(stderr, "...leaving rkf_init()\n")
\endif
}

/*the main routine, returns err_flag*/
rkf(tout, t, y, ws)

double tout, t, y[];
RKF_WS *ws;
{
    int k;
    int sol_out;
    double dt, scale, ae, h_min;
    double eeoet, et, temp_et, ee, esttol, h_scale;
    double eeoet_12, ee_12, esttol_12;
    double temp1, temp2, temp3;
    double max(), min(), sign(), pow(), fabs();

\ifdef DEBUG
    fprintf(stderr, "Entering rkf()...
")
\endif
    if (m_eps == 0.0)
        calc_eps();
    if (!par_check(ws))
        return (rkf_exit(t, y, ws->err_flag, ws));
if (tout == ws->t) /* no computation necessary*/
    return (rkf_exit(t, y, ws->err_flag, ws));
if (!ws->step_init)
{
    /* Evaluate yp if possible. */
    if (!(*ws->f)(ws->yp, ws->y, ws->t))
        return (rkf_exit(t, y, FUNC_ERR, ws));
    ws->num_fe++;
    init_step(ws, tout);
    ws->step_init = TRUE;
}
dt = tout - ws->t;

/* Efficiency impaired by too much output* check */
if (fabs(ws->h) >= 2.8 * fabs(dt))
    ws->kop++;
if (ws->kop >= ws->kop_max)
    return (rkf_exit(t, y, IQ_LIM, ws));

/* If too close to output extrapolate and return */
if (fabs(dt) <= u26 * fabs(ws->t))
{
    if (!(*ws->f)(ws->yp, ws->y, ws->t))
        return (rkf_exit(t, y, FUNC_ERR, ws));
    ws->num_fe++;
    for (k = 0; k < ws->n; k++)
        ws->y[k] += dt * ws->yp[k];
    return (rkf_exit(t, y, OK, ws));
}

sol_out = FALSE; /* initialize solution output indicator */

/* to avoid premature under flow in the error tolerance function
    scale the error tolerances */
scale = 2.0 / ws->rel_err;
ae = scale * ws->abs_err;

do /* Step by step integration loop */
{
    h_min = u26 * fabs(ws->t); /* init smallest allowed step */

    /* Adjust stepsize if necessary to hit the output point. Look ahead
      two steps to avoid drastic changes in the stepsize and thus lessen
      the impact of output points on the code. */
    dt = tout - ws->t;
    if (fabs(dt) <= 2.0 * fabs(ws->h))
    {
        if (fabs(dt) <= fabs(ws->h))
        {
            sol_out = TRUE;
            ws->h = dt;
        }
        else
            ws->h = 0.5 * dt;
    }

do  /* Stepsize adjustment and error checking loop */
  { if (ws->constat != NULL && (*ws->constat)())
      return (rkf_exit(t, y, STDIN_RDY, ws));
    if (ws->num_fe > ws->nfe_max)
      { if (ws->eqn_stiff)
          return (rkf_exit(t, y, STIFF_EQN, ws));
        else
          return (rkf_exit(t, y, FUNC_LIM, ws));
    }
/* Advance an approximate solution over one step of length h */
  ws->step_accept = FALSE;
  if (!fehl45(ws->f, ws->n, ws->y, ws->t, 
            ws->h, ws->yp, ws->f1, ws->f2, 
            ws->f3, ws->f4, ws->f5, ws->s))
    return (rkf_exit(t, y, FUNC_ERR, ws));
  ws->num_fe += 5;
/* Compute and test allowable tolerances versus local error 
estimates and remove scaling of tolerances. Note that 
relative error is measured with respect to the average of 
the magnitudes of the solution at the beginning and end 
of the step. The error estimate formula has been 
grouped to control loss of significance.*/
/* Do this also for the imbedded (1,2) formula as part of 
the stiffness test */
  eeoet = eeoet_12 = 0.0; /*Used in stiffness test*/
  for (k = 0; k < ws->n; k++)
    { temp_et = fabs(ws->y[k]) + fabs(ws->s[k]);
      et = ae + temp_et;
      if (et <= 0.0) /*inappropriate error tolerance*/
        return (rkf_exit(t, y, ZERO_ABS, ws));
    /* Group terms to avoid loss of significane */
    temp1 = (21970.0*ws->f3[k] - 15048.0*ws->f4[k]);
    temp2 = (-2090.0*ws->yp[k] + temp1);
    temp3 = (22528.0*ws->f2[k] - 27360.0*ws->f5[k]);
    ee = fabs(temp2 + temp3);
/* Stiffness testing */
    if (!ws->eqn_stiff &&
      (ws->seq_count - ws->success <= ws->seq_len/2))
      { ee_12 = fabs(0.055455*ws->yp[k] - 
            0.035493*ws->f1[k] - 0.036571*ws->f2[k] +
            0.023107*ws->f3[k] - 0.089515*ws->f4[k] +
            0.008017*ws->f5[k]);
        /*Here we need to avoid a divide-by-zero. This can 
happen if all the f[k] are zero which can happen 
if the state equation returns 0.0 for the kth 
extry. I assume that if ee == 0.0 then ee_12 ==
0.0 and eetoet_12 does not need to be updated. */
if (ee != 0.0)
    eetoet_12 = max(eetoet_12, ee_12/ee);
}
eetoet = max(eetoet, ee/et);
esttol = fabs(ws->h)*eetoet*scale/752480.0;

/* Stiffness testing */
if (!ws->eqn_stiff &&
    (ws->seq_count - ws->sucss_12 <= ws->seq_len/2))
esttol_12 = fabs(ws->h)*eetoet_12*scale;
if (esttol > 1.0)
{
    /*Unsuccessful step: reduce the stepsize and try again. The stepsize decrease is limited to a factor of ten. Practical limits on the change in the stepsize are enforced to smooth the stepsize selection process and to avoid excessive chattering on problems having discontinuities. */
    ws->h_failed = TRUE;
    sol_out = FALSE;
    h_scale = 0.1;
    if (esttol < 59049.0)
        h_scale = 0.9/pow(esttol, 0.20);
    /* To prevent unnecessary failures the code uses 9/10 the stepsize it estimates will succeed. */
    ws->h *= h_scale;
    if (fabs(ws->h) <= h_min)
        return (rkf_exit(t, y, STEP_LIM, ws));
}
while (esttol > 1.0);

/* Successful step: store solution at t+h */
ws->step_accept = TRUE;
if (!(*ws->f)(ws->fl, ws->s, ws->t + ws->h))
    return (rkf_exit(t, y, FUNC_ERR, ws));
ws->num_fes++;
ws->t += ws->h;
vec_copy(ws->n, ws->y, ws->s);
vec_copy(ws->n, ws->yp, ws->fl);

/* choose next stepsize: the increase is limited to a factor of 5. If a step failure has just occurred, the next stepsize is not allowed to increase. This makes the code more efficient on problems with discontinuities. */
    h_scale = 5.0;
    if (esttol > 1.89568E-4)
        h_scale = 0.9/pow(esttol, 0.2);
    /*don't increase stepsize if step failure in last iteration*/
    if (ws->h_failed)
        h_scale = min(h_scale, 1.0);
    ws->h = sign(ws->h)*max(h_scale*fabs(ws->h), h_min);
/** Stiffness testing */
if (!ws->eqn_stiff)
{
  if (ws->seq_count++ - ws->sucss_12 <= ws->seq_len/2)
  {
    if (esttol_12 >= 1.0)
      ws->sucss_12++;
    if (ws->sucss_12 >= ws->seq_len/2)
      ws->eqn_stiff = TRUE;
  }
  if (ws->seq_count > ws->seq_len || ws->eqn_stiff)
    ws->seq_count = ws->sucss_12 = 0;
}
w->h_failed = FALSE; /*reinit step failure*/
} while (!sol_out && ws->mode != SING_STEP);

if (sol_out)
  ws->t = tout;
return (rkf_exit(t, y, OK, ws));

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/♦checks parameter values in ws*/

static
par_check(ws)
RKF_WS *ws;
{
  #ifdef DEBUG
    fprintf(stderr, "Entering par_check()...
    #endif
    switch (ws->err_flag)
    {
      case OK:
      case REL_LIM:
      case FUNC_ERR:
      case STDIN_RDY:
        ws->err_flag = OK;
        break;
      case FUNC_LIM:
        ws->num_fe = 0;
        ws->err_flag = OK;
        break;
      case IO_LIM:
        ws->kop = 0;
        ws->err_flag = OK;
        break;
      case STIFF_EQN:
        ws->num_fe = ws->seq_count = ws->sucss_12 = 0;
        ws->eqn_stiff = 0;
        ws->err_flag = OK;
break;
default:
    return (FALSE); /* uncorrected error*/
}
if (!ws->err_set)
{
    ws->err_flag = ERR_SET;
    return (FALSE);
}
if (!ws->init_set)
{
    ws->err_flag = INIT_SET;
    return (FALSE);
}
#ifdef DEBUG
    fprintf(stderr, "...leaving par_check()\n");
#endif
    return (TRUE);

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/*Initializes the stepsize h.*/

static
init_step(ws, tout)
RKFWS *ws;
double tout;
{
    int k;
    double ypk, toln, tol, dt;
    double pow(), max(), sign(), fabs();
#ifdef DEBUG
    fprintf(stderr, "Entering init_step()...\n");
#endif
    dt = tout - ws->t;
    ws->h = fabs(dt);
    toln = 0.0;
    for (k = 0; k < ws->n; k++)
    {
        tol = ws->rel_err * fabs(ws->y[k]) + ws->abs_err;
        if (tol > 0.0)
        {
            toln = tol;
            ypk = fabs(ws->yp[k]);
            if (ypk * pow(ws->h, 5.0) > tol)
            {
                ws->h = pow(tol/ypk, 0.20);
            }
        }
    }
    if (toln <= 0.0)
ws->h = 0.0;
ws->h = max(ws->h, u26*max(fabs(ws->t), fabs(dt)));  
ws->h *= sign(dt);
#ifndef DEBUG
    fprintf(stderr, "...leaving init_step()\n");
#endif

.fullName="exit routine for rkf()"
/*
 * The Fehlberg 4,5 formulas as implemented by Watts and Shampine. The
 * terms have been grouped to avoid loss of significant. fehl45() assumes
 * that the derivative at time t, yp, is given. If derivative function
 * cannot be evaluated fehl45() returns FALSE, otherwise it returns TRUE. */
static
fehl45(f, n, y, t, h, yp, f1, f2, f3, f4, f5, s)
int (*f)();
unsigned n;
double y[], t, h, yp[], f1[], f2[], f3[], f4[], f5[], s[];
{
    unsigned k;
    double ch, temp1, temp2, temp3, temp4;
#ifndef DEBUG
    fprintf(stderr, "Entering fehl45()...\n");
#endif
    ch = h/4.0;
    for (k = 0; k < n; k++)
        s[k] = y[k] + ch * yp[k];
    if (!(*f)(f1, s, t + ch))
        return(FALSE);
ch = 3.0*h/32.0;
for (k = 0; k < n; k++)
{
    temp1 = yp[k] + 3.0 * f1[k];
    s[k] = y[k] + ch * temp1;
}
if (!(*f)(f2, s, t + 3.0*h/8.0))
    return(FALSE);

ch = h/2197.0;
for (k = 0; k < n; k++)
{
    temp1 = 7296.0*f2[k] - 7288.0*f1[k];
    temp2 = 1932.0*yp[k] + temp1;
    s[k] = y[k] + ch * temp2;
}
if (!(*f)(f3, s, t + 12.0*h/13.0))
    return(FALSE);

ch = h/4104.0;
for (k = 0; k < n; k++)
{
    temp1 = 8341.0*yp[k] - 845.0*f3[k];
    temp2 = 29440.0*f2[k] - 32832.0*f1[k];
    temp3 = (temp1 + temp2);
    s[k] = y[k] + ch * temp3;
}
if (!(*f)(f4, s, t + h))
    return(FALSE);

ch = h/28528.0;
for (k = 0; k < n; k++)
{
    temp1 = 9295.0*f3[k] - 5643.0*f4[k];
    temp2 = 41848.0*yp[k] - 28352.0*f2[k];
    temp3 = (-6888.0*yp[k] + temp1);
    temp4 = (temp3 + temp2);
    s[k] = y[k] + ch * temp4;
}
if (!(*f)(f5, s, t + h/2.0))
    return(FALSE);

/* compute approximate solution at t+h. */
ch = h/7618058.0;
for (k = 0; k < n; k++)
{
    temp1 = 3855735.0*f3[k] - 1371249.0*f4[k];
    temp2 = 960880.0*yp[k] + temp1;
    temp3 = (3953664.0*f2[k] + 277020.0*f5[k]);
    temp4 = (temp2 + temp3);
    s[k] = y[k] + ch * temp4;
}

#define DEBUG
    printf(stderr, "...leaving fehl45()\n");
#endif.
return (TRUE);

/* These functions allow the user to alter the default values for
   rkf() constants. */

rkf_mode(mode, ws)
int mode;
RKF_WS *ws;
{
    if (mode == SING_STEP)
        ws->mode = SING_STEP;
    else
        ws->mode = ENDPT;
}

rkf_stdin(constat, ws)
int (*constat)();
RKF_WS *ws;
{
    ws->constat = constat;
}

rkf_nfe(n, ws)
unsigned n;
RKF_WS *ws;
{
    ws->nfe_max = n;
}

rkf_kop(n, ws)
unsigned n;
RKF_WS *ws;
{
    ws->kop_max = n;
}

rkf_seq_len(n, ws)
unsigned n;
RKF_WS *ws;
{
    ws->seq_len = n;
}
rkf_re_min(x, ws)

double x;
RKF_WS *ws;
{
    if (x > 0.8)
        ws->re_min = x;
}

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typedef union read_ptr
{
    char *cp;
    int *ip;
    double *dp;
    double **ddpp;
};

rkf_read(code, p, ws)

char *p;
int code;
RKF_WS *ws;
{
    union read_ptr rp;
    rp.cp = p;
    switch (code)
    {
    case STEP_SIZE:
        *rp.dp = ws->h;
        break;
    case KOP:
        *rp.ip = ws->kop;
        break;
    case NUM_FE:
        *rp.ip = ws->num_fe;
        break;
    case EQU_STIFF:
        *rp.ip = ws->eqn_stiff;
        break;
    case Y_PRIME:
        *rp.ddpp = ws->yp;
        break;
    case ACCEPT:
        *rp.ip = ws->step_accept;
        break;
    case MODE:
        *rp.ip = ws->mode;
        break;
    case STDIN_CHK:
*rp.ip = ws->constat != NULL;
break;
case SEQ_LEN:
  *rp.ip = ws->seq_len;
break;
case MAX_NFE:
  *rp.ip = ws->nfe_max;
break;
case MAX_KOP:
  *rp.ip = ws->kop_max;
break;
case MIN_REL:
  *rp.dp = ws->re_min;
break;
case REL_ERR:
  *rp.dp = ws->rel_err;
break;
case ABS_ERR:
  *rp.dp = ws->abs_err;
break;
case ERROR_STATUS:
  *rp.ip = ws->err_flag;
break;
}

static double calc_eps()
{
  double sum = 2.0;  /* used because of 8087. Without it, m_eps would
   represent the internal (80 bit) accuracy
   of the 8087, not the external (64 bit)
   accuracy of the double representation. */

  for (m_eps = 1.0; sum > 1.0 ; sum = 1.0 + m_eps)
    m_eps /= 2.0;
  u26 = 26.0*m_eps;
}

static double sign(double x)