Blog Entry © Saturday, September 28, 2024 to October 3, 2024, by James Pate Williams, Jr. Test Particle and Photon Traversal about a Schwarzschild Singularity

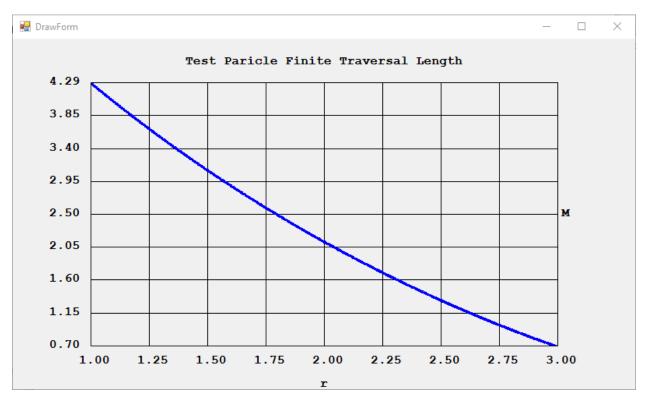
First the test particle finite distance:

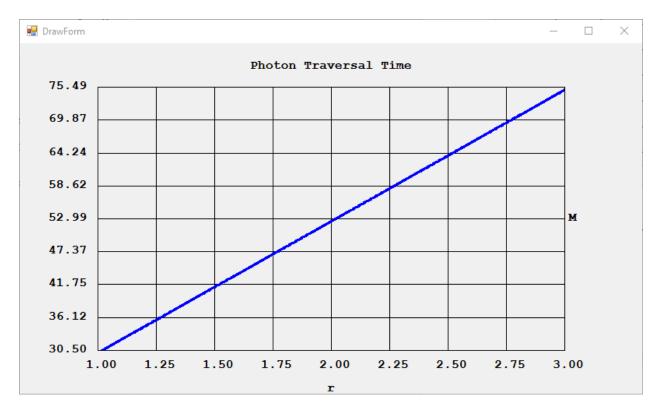
$$L_0 = \int_{r_0}^{2M} \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - 2M/r}}$$

Second the photon traversal time:

$$T_0 = \frac{1}{c} \int_{r_0}^{2M} \frac{dr}{1 - 2M/r}$$

Reference "General Relativity an Introduction to the Theory of the Gravitational Field" by Hans Stephani © 1982 Chapter "Gravitational Collapse and Black Holes". The two preceding equations are singular for r = 0 and are therefore unsuitable to describe the motion near the singularity.





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Reference "General Relativity an Introduction to the Theory of the Gravitational Field" by Hans Stephani © 1982 Chapter "Introduction". The Lagrange operator in spherical polar coordinates is:

$$L = \frac{m}{2} (\dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\vartheta}^2 + r^2 (\sin \vartheta)^2 \dot{\varphi}^2)$$
$$\ddot{r} - r \dot{\vartheta}^2 - r (\sin \vartheta)^2 \dot{\varphi}^2 = 0$$
$$\ddot{\vartheta} + \frac{2}{r} \dot{r} \dot{\vartheta} - \sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta \, \dot{\varphi}^2 = 0$$
$$\ddot{\varphi} + \frac{2}{r} \dot{r} \dot{\varphi} + 2 \cot \vartheta \dot{\varphi} \dot{\vartheta} = 0$$

The classical arclength is:

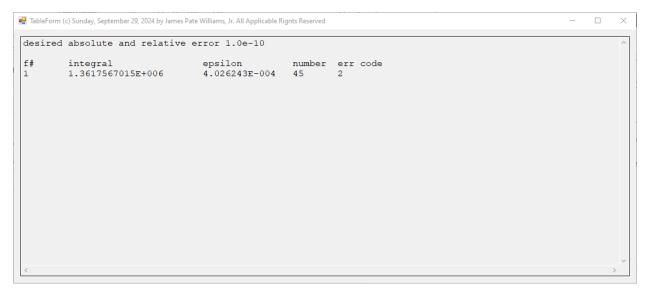
$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{dr}{dt}\right)^2 + r^2 \left(\frac{d\theta}{dt}\right)^2 + r^2 (\sin\theta)^2 \left(\frac{d\varphi}{dt}\right)^2}$$

We now use an n-quadrature function translated from an ACM Algorithm FORTRAN function to compute the arclength. The initial and final values are:

$$r_0 = 0, \vartheta_0 = 0, \varphi_0 = 0$$

$$r_1=0.000005c, \vartheta_0=rac{\pi}{4}\varphi_0=rac{\pi}{4}, c=670616629\ miles\ per\ hour$$

$$rac{ds}{dt}=1.3617567015\times 10^6$$



Next, we calculate some examples using a fifth order Runge-Kutta algorithm. Reference "Numerical Analysis an Algorithmic Approach" © 1980 by S. D. Conte and Carl de Boor for the fourth order equations:

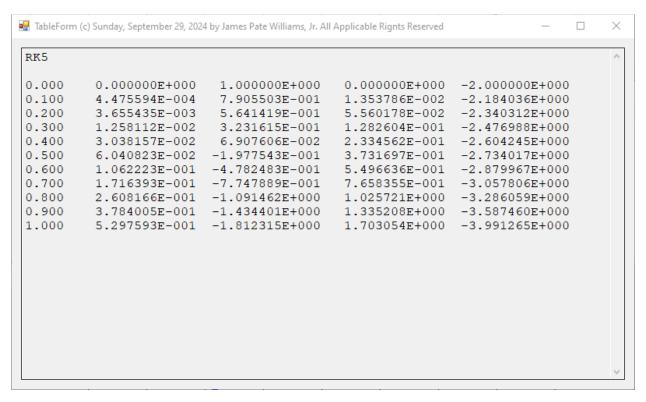
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= r \\ x_2 &= \dot{r} \\ y_1 &= \vartheta \\ y_2 &= \dot{\vartheta} \\ z_1 &= \varphi \\ z_2 &= \dot{\varphi} \\ \dot{z}_1 &= x_2 \\ \dot{y}_1 &= y_2 \\ \dot{z}_1 &= z_2 \\ K_{1i} &= hf_i(x_{1n}, x_{2n}, y_{1n}, y_{2n}, z_{1n}, z_{2n}) \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\} \\ K_{2i} &= hf_i\left(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, x_{1n} + \frac{K_{1i}}{2}, x_{2n} + \frac{K_{1i}}{2}, y_{1n} + \frac{K_{1i}}{2}, y_{2n} + \frac{K_{1i}}{2}, z_{1n} + \frac{K_{1i}}{2}, z_{2n} + \frac{K_{1i}}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$K_{3i} = hf_i \left(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, x_{1n} + \frac{K_{2i}}{2}, x_{2n} + \frac{K_{2i}}{2}, y_{1n} + \frac{K_{2i}}{2}, y_{2n} + \frac{K_{2i}}{2}, z_{1n} + \frac{K_{2i}}{2}, z_{2n} + \frac{K_{2i}}{2} \right)$$

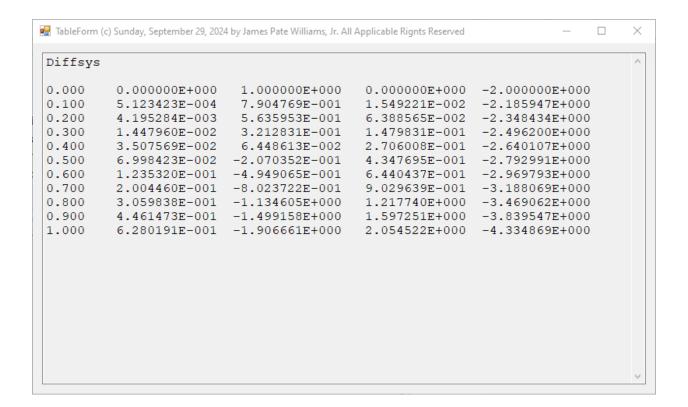
$$K_{4i} = hf_i \left(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, x_{1n} + \frac{K_{4i}}{2}, x_{2n} + \frac{K_{4i}}{2}, y_{1n} + \frac{K_{4i}}{2}, y_{2n} + \frac{K_{4i}}{2}, z_{1n} + \frac{K_{4i}}{2}, z_{2n} + \frac{K_{4i}}{2} \right)$$

$$y_{i,n+1} = y_{i,n} + \frac{1}{6} \left(K_{1i} + 2K_{2i} + 2K_{3i} + K_{4i} \right)$$

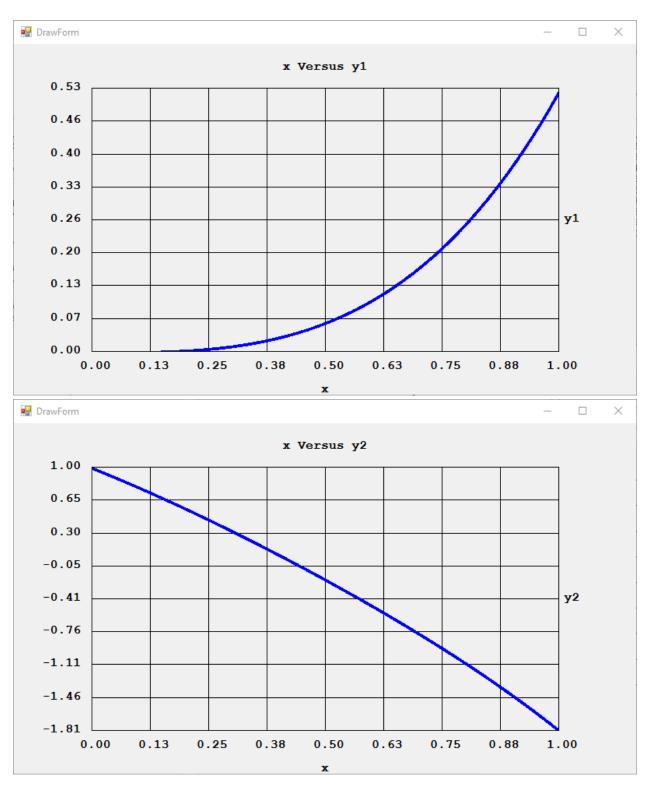
I extended the previous equations to a fifth order method. The first test example is from "Numerical Analysis an Algorithmic Approach" © 1980 by S. D. Conte and Carl de Boor. They use the highly optimized DVERK FORTRAN numerical library function. I borrowed and translated the DIFFSYS C code equation solver from "A Numerical Library in C for Scientists and Engineers" © 1994 by H. T. Lau, PhD.



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The second example is from the website:

https://www.math.utah.edu/~gustafso/2250systems-de.pdf

This is a brine tank cascade problem.

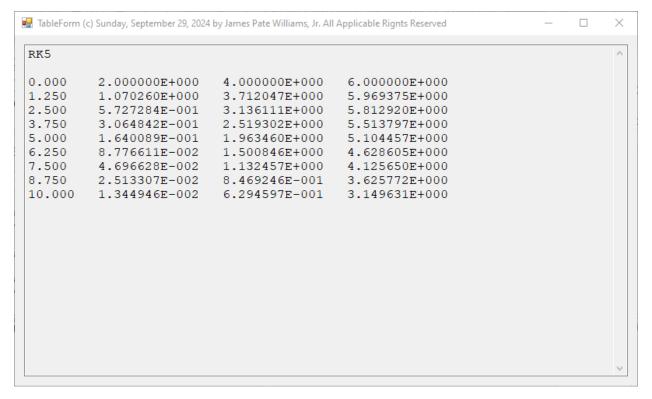
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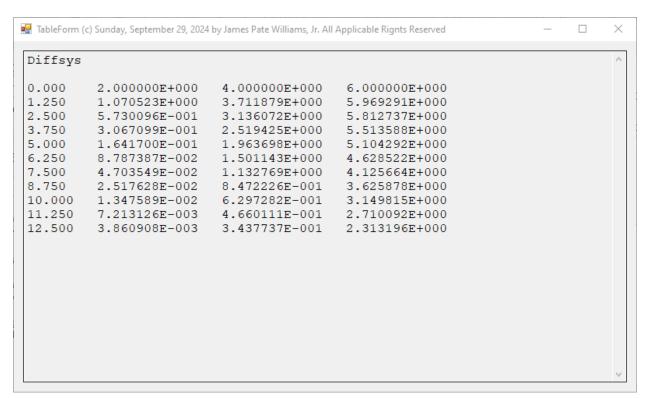
Rate of change = input rate - output rate

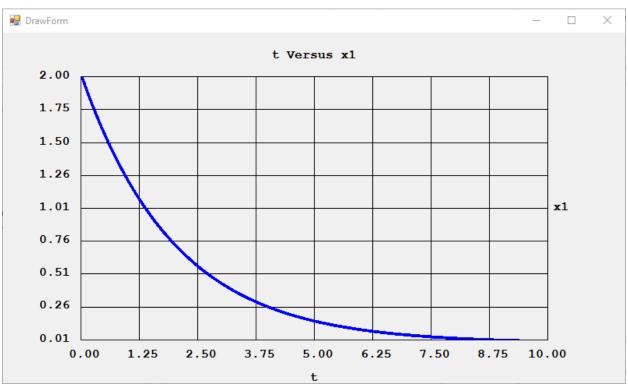
$$x'_{1} = -\frac{1}{2}x_{1}$$

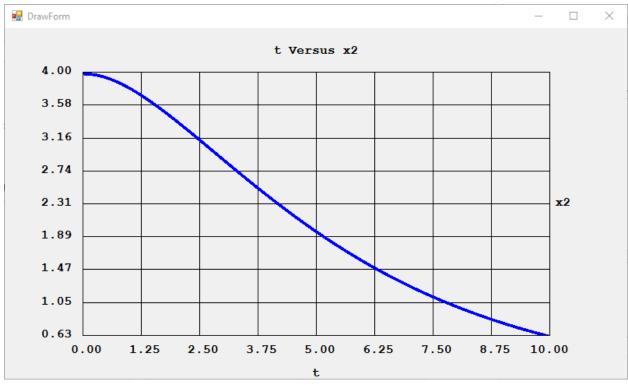
$$x'_{2} = \frac{1}{2}x_{1} - \frac{1}{4}x_{2}$$

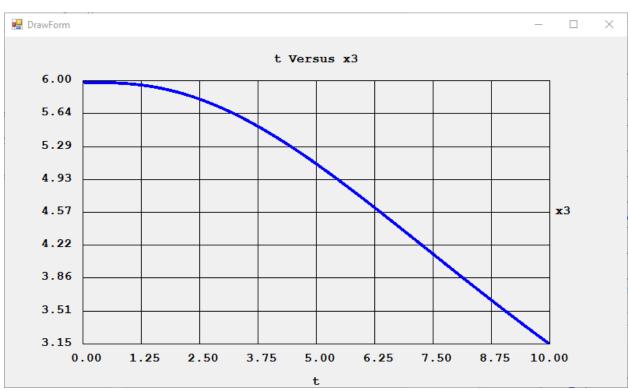
$$x'_{3} = \frac{1}{4}x_{2} - \frac{1}{6}x_{3}$$











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