# Computational Series and Multistep Methods to Integrate Forced and Damped Stiff Oscillators 

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#### Abstract

In a first part, this article presents the adaptation of Scheifele functions to forced and damped oscillators, designing a series method based on these, which integrates the non perturbed problem with no truncation error. This method is highly accurate, however it is difficult to adapt to each specific problem. In order to overcome this difficulty, in a second part, we describe the transformation of the series method to a multistep scheme.


Explicit and implicit methods are formulated and combine to create a predictor-corrector method, which precisely integrates the homogenous problem.
The computational algorithm is developed and the results obtained are contrasted by the series method and by the multistep algorithm with other known integrators.
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## INTRODUCTION

The stretching or compression of most solid materials is modeled by means of an oscillator provided that the displacement is not too high, that is, any system which makes small oscillations around a stable point of equilibrium can be treated in first approximation as if it were an oscillator.

The theory of damped and forced harmonic movements is fundamental to many areas of physics and engineering.

Harmonic oscillators are also found in Celestial Mechanics models, as in the classic two-body problem and in the satellite problem. In orbit calculation methods, newtonian equations of movement are reduced to harmonic oscillators, by means of transformation using the Kunstaanheimo-Stiefel [1] and Burdet-Ferrándiz [2] methods. It is therefore relevant to have efficient numeric algorithms available that are capable of providing very precise approximations.

To this effect Stiefel and Bettis [3] and Bettis [4, 5], published the first fixed step and non-linear multi-step numerical methods, for the resolution of this type of oscillator. Stiefel and Scheifele [1] and Scheifele [6], developed methods, based on a generalisation of the Taylor series. Subsequently other methods have been developed for the integration of oscillators applying different ideas and with different motivations, such as Variational Iteration Method, VIM [7, 8], Parameter-Expansion Method, PEM proposed by He [9], is a very effective way for handling nonlinear problems. In [9], the following categories of

[^0]asymptotic methods are emphasized: variation approaches and homotopy perturbation method.

Deuflhard [10], Neta and Ford [11], Denk [12], Martín and Ferrándiz [13], introduced a multi-step method based on the Scheifele functions. Vigo and Ferrándiz [14-16], explained a general procedure for adapting multi-step algorithms to the integration of oscillatory problems. The underlying ideas in these methods were applied to obtain Backward Differentiation Formulas, BDF's [17]. Among the methods which use exponential interpolation techniques, those obtained by De Meyer [18], Ixaru [19] and Vanden Berghe [20] are particularly worthy of mention. In [21], a numerical Variable- Step Variable-Order, VSVO method was devised based on the Scheifele functions. Similarly, methods were designed which use Ferrándiz functions [22], instead of the Scheifele functions. These methods also integrate the homogenous problem without truncation errors. These were also used to construct multi-step algorithms [23].

This article presents the adaptation of the Scheifele functions to forced and damped oscillators, studying the properties of the adapted functions and using them to design a series method, which integrates the non perturbed problem without truncation error.

This series method is extremely accurate, however, it is difficult to adapt to each particular problem.

In order to overcome this difficulty, the conversion of the series method to a multi-step scheme is described, similar to the SMF, Scheifele-Martin-Ferrándiz methods [13, 24] for forced oscillators but with the advantage that it is a variable step and order scheme that can be applied to both forced and damped oscillators.

The multi-step scheme is obtained by approximating the derivates of the perturbation function which appear in the series method by means of divided differences.

In order to compute the coefficients of the multi-step algorithm, a recurrent calculation procedure is established, based on the relation between the divided differences and elemental and complete symmetrical functions.

Both explicit and implicit methods are formulated and based on these, predictor- corrector methods are constructed which are easy to implement in a computer, and which precisely integrate the homogenous problem exactly with just the first two functions.

The good performance of both the series and multi-step methods is demonstrated by applying them to stiff and highly oscillatory problems, contrasting the numerical results obtained with other known integrators.

## FORMULATION AND BASIC IDEAS

Let $x(t)$ be the solution of the perturbed and damped oscillator, in equation
$x^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma x^{\prime}(t)+\alpha x(t)=\varepsilon \cdot f\left(x(t), x^{\prime}(t), t\right), x(0)=x_{0}$,
$x^{\prime}(0)=x_{0}^{\prime}$,
it assumes that the function of perturbation is analytic, i.e., the function
$g(t)=f\left(x\left(t ; x_{0}, x_{0}, t_{0}\right), x^{\prime}\left(t ; x_{0}, x_{0}, t_{0}\right), t\right)$ admits in $[0, T]$, a development in power series form

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\begin{align*}
g(t) & =f\left(x\left(t ; x_{0}, x_{0}, t_{0}\right), x^{\prime}\left(t ; x_{0}, x_{0}, t_{0}\right), t\right) \\
& =\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n} \frac{t^{n}}{n!} \text { with } c_{n}=g^{n)}(0) \tag{2}
\end{align*}
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bringing the previous Initial Value Problem, IVP can be written
$x^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma x^{\prime}(t)+\alpha x(t)=\varepsilon \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n} \frac{t^{n}}{n!}$,
$x(0)=x_{0}, \quad x^{\prime}(0)=x_{0}^{\prime}$
As is usual, the solution of the IVP (1), can divided into two parts, one corresponding to the solution associated with the homogeneous IVP with the given initial conditions and the other part is a solution the non homogeneous IVP in which the solution and its derivative are cancelled in $t=0$.

The latter can be calculated by applying the principle of superposition of particular solutions to IVP
$x_{n}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma x^{\prime}(t)+\alpha x_{n}(t)=\frac{t^{n}}{n!}$,
$x_{n}(0)=x_{n}^{\prime}(0)=0, \quad n \geq 0$
combining the solutions in linear form with the coefficients of $\varepsilon \cdot c_{n}$.

It defines the Scheifele $G$-functions [6], adapted to this kind of forced and damped oscillators, as those functions $G_{n}$ that verify

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\begin{equation*}
G_{n}(t)=x_{n-2}(t), \quad n \geq 2, \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
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where $x_{n}(t)$ are the solutions of problems
$x_{n}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma x_{n}^{\prime}(t)+\alpha x_{n}(t)=\frac{t^{n}}{n!}, \quad x_{n}(0)=x_{n}^{\prime \prime}(0)=0, n \geq 0$,
so that the functions $G_{n}$ thus defined satisfy the following recurrence relation:
$G_{n}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma G_{n}^{\prime}(t)+\alpha G_{n}(t)=\frac{t^{n-2}}{(n-2)!}$,
$G_{n}(0)=G_{n}^{\prime}(0)=0, \quad n \geq 2$
The Scheifele $G$-functions, adapted to forced and damped oscillators, have the following property
$G_{n}^{\prime}(t)=G_{n-1}(t)$ with $n \geq 3$.
The expression (8) allows for all $G$-functions from $G_{2}(t)$. The first two $G$-functions, $G_{0}(t)$ and $G_{1}(t)$, are defined as solutions of the homogeneous problems
$x^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma x^{\prime}(t)+\alpha x(t)=0, x(0)=1, x^{\prime}(0)=-\gamma$,
$x^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma x^{\prime}(t)+\alpha x(t)=0, x(0)=0, x^{\prime}(0)=1$,
respectively.
That is to say, the functions $G_{0}(t)$ and $G_{1}(t)$ verify that
$G_{0}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma G_{0}^{\prime}(t)+\alpha G_{0}(t)=0, G_{0}(0)=1, G_{0}^{\prime}(0)=-\gamma$,
$G_{1}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma G_{1}^{\prime}(t)+\alpha G_{1}(t)=0, G_{1}(0)=0, G_{1}^{\prime}(0)=1$.
The functions $G_{0}(t)$ and $G_{1}(t)$ verify the following relationship:
$G_{0}^{\prime}(t)=-\alpha G_{1}(t)-\gamma G_{0}(t)$.
Functions $G_{0}(t)$ and $G_{1}(t)$ also verify the property expressed in (8), i.e.
$G_{2}^{\prime}(t)=G_{1}(t)$,
$G_{1}^{\prime}(t)=G_{0}(t)$.
Therefore, combining (8), (14) and (15), it is possible to ensure that
$G_{n}^{\prime}(t)=G_{n-1}(t), \quad n \geq 1$.
By (7) and (16) we can be affirm that
$G_{n}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma G_{n}^{\prime}(t)+\alpha G_{n}(t)=\frac{t^{n-2}}{(n-2)!}$, for $n \geq 2$
$G_{n-2}(t)+\gamma G_{n-1}(t)+\alpha G_{n}(t)=\frac{t^{n-2}}{(n-2)!}$, for $n \geq 2$
from which we obtain the following recurrence relation
$G_{n}(t)+\gamma G_{n+1}(t)+\alpha G_{n+2}(t)=\frac{t^{n}}{n!}, n \geq 0$.
Another relevant property is the fact that the $G$-functions can be expressed by absolutely convergent series expansion for all values of $t$.

Since $G_{0}(t)$ is solution of a linear differential equation with constant coefficients, in which the function of perturbation is analytical, then
$G_{0}(t)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \xi_{k} \frac{t^{k}}{k!}$,
where
$\xi_{0}=G_{0}(0)=1$,
$\xi_{1}=G_{0}^{\prime}(0)=-\gamma$.
From (16), it follows that
$G_{n}(t)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \xi_{k} \frac{t^{n+k}}{(n+k)!}, n \geq 0$.
The calculation of the coefficients $\xi_{k}$ to $k \geq 2$, is done by substituting (20) in (11), i.e.
$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty}\left(\xi_{k+2}+\gamma \xi_{k+1}+\alpha \xi_{k}\right) \frac{t^{k}}{k!}=0$,
from which we deduce the following recurrence relation [6], which allows the calculation
$\xi_{0}=1$
$\xi_{1}=-\gamma$
$\xi_{k}=-\gamma \xi_{k-1}-\alpha \xi_{k-2}, k \geq 2$.
The solution of the IVP (3), and therefore the IVP (1), is
$x(t)=x_{0} G_{0}(t)+\left(x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}\right) G_{1}(t)+\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n} G_{n+2}(t)$.
Indeed:
$x^{\prime \prime}+\gamma x^{\prime}+\alpha x=x_{0} G_{0}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\left(x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}\right) G_{1}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n} G_{n+2}^{\prime \prime}(t)$
$+\gamma\left(x_{0} G_{0}^{\prime}(t)+\left(x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}\right) G_{1}^{\prime}(t)+\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n} G_{n+2}^{\prime}(t)\right)$
$+\alpha\left(x_{0} G_{0}(t)+\left(x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}\right) G_{1}(t)+\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n} G_{n+2}(t)\right)$
$=x_{0}\left(G_{0}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma G_{0}^{\prime}(t)+\alpha G_{0}(t)\right)+\left(x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}\right)\left(G_{1}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma G_{1}^{\prime}(t)+\alpha G_{1}(t)\right)$
$+\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n}\left(G_{n+2}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma G_{n+2}^{\prime}(t)+\alpha G_{n+2}(t)\right)$
$=x_{0} \cdot 0+\left(x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}\right) \cdot 0+\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n}\left(G_{n+2}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma G_{n+2}^{\prime}(t)+\alpha G_{n+2}(t)\right)$
$=\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n} \frac{t^{n}}{n!}$.
As for the initial conditions

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\begin{aligned}
& x(0)=x_{0} G_{0}(0)+\left(x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}\right) G_{1}(0)+\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n} G_{n+2}(0) \\
& =x_{0}+\left(x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}\right) \cdot 0=x_{0} .
\end{aligned}
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$x^{\prime}(0)=x_{0} G_{0}^{\prime}(0)+\left(x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}\right) G_{0}(0)+\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n} G_{n+1}(0)$
$=x_{0}(-\gamma)+\left(x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}\right)=x_{0}^{\prime}$.
From (16) and (28) is obtained:
$x^{\prime}(t)=x_{0} G_{0}^{\prime}(t)+\left(x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}\right) G_{0}(t)+\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n} G_{n+1}(t)$
This result allows to define a numerical and computational series method [25], to integrate forced and damped oscillators.

Assume that the solution of IVP (3), is
$x(t)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{k} \frac{t^{k}}{k!}$,
then
$x(0)=x_{0}=a_{0}$,
$x^{\prime}(0)=x_{0}^{\prime}=a_{1}$.
Substituting (30) in (3), we obtain the recurrence relation
$a_{0}=x_{0}$,
$a_{1}=x_{0}^{\prime}$,
$a_{k+2}+\gamma a_{k+1}+\alpha a_{k}=\varepsilon \cdot c_{k}, k \geq 0$.
Defining the new coefficients $b_{k}$
$b_{0}=a_{0}=x_{0}$,
$b_{1}=a_{1}+\gamma a_{0}=x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}$,
$b_{k+2}=a_{k+2}+\gamma a_{k+1}+\alpha a_{k}=\varepsilon \cdot c_{k}, k \geq 0$,
is possible to express the solution of (3), through a series of $G$-functions

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\begin{equation*}
x(t)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{k} G_{k}(t), \tag{39}
\end{equation*}
$$

we can be considered as an extension of the Taylor series for the solutions of (1) and provides greater accuracy.

For the construction of a method of series $G$-functions, of order $m$, it performs a truncation of $m+1$ summands in (39).

Fixed a step $h$, the approaches to the solution and its derivative at point $t=h$, i.e., the first step, are given respectively by the expressions
$x_{1}=b_{0} G_{0}(h)+b_{1} G_{1}(h)+\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{m-2} b_{n+2} G_{n+2}(h)$,
$x_{1}^{\prime}=b_{0} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)+b_{1} G_{0}(h)+\varepsilon \sum_{n=0}^{m-2} b_{n+2} G_{n+1}(h)$.
Let us suppose that we have already calculated an approximation of the solution and its derivative in point $t=n h, x_{n}$ and $x_{n}^{\prime}$, verifying:
$x^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma x^{\prime}(t)+\alpha x(t)=\varepsilon \cdot f\left(x(t), x^{\prime}(t), t\right)$,
$x(n h)=x_{n}, x^{\prime}(n h)=x_{n}^{\prime}$,
to calculate an approximation of the solution and its derivative in point $(n+1) h$, it is convenient to make a change of time origin $t=\tau+n h$, yielding:
$x^{\prime \prime}(\tau)+\gamma x^{\prime}(\tau)+\alpha x(\tau)=\varepsilon \cdot f\left(x(\tau), x^{\prime}(\tau), \tau+n h\right)$,
$x(0)=x_{n}, x^{\prime}(0)=x_{n}^{\prime}$,
bringing us to the initial condition.
We calculate the coefficients by recurrence.
$f\left(x(\tau), x^{\prime}(\tau), \tau+n h\right)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\tau^{k}}{k!} c_{k}$
with
$c_{k}=\frac{d^{k} g(0)}{d \tau^{k}}=\frac{d^{k} g(n h)}{d t^{k}}$
and the approximation of the solution and its derivative in point $(n+1) h$ resulting in the formulas:
$x_{n+1}=G_{0}(h) x_{n}+G_{1}(h)\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{n}\right)+\sum_{k=0}^{m-2} b_{k} G_{k+2}(h)$,
$x_{n+1}^{\prime}=G_{0}^{\prime}(h) x_{n}+G_{0}(h)\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{n}\right)+\sum_{k=0}^{m-2} b_{k} G_{k+1}(h)$,
respectively, which constitute the numerical integration method for perturbed and damped harmonic oscillators based on adapted Scheifele's $G$-functions series.

## ZERO-STABILITY AND CONVERGENCE

The solution $x(t)$ to the given IVP (1) admits a Taylor expansion about any point $t_{m} \in[0, T]$ of the form:
$x(t)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} \frac{\left(t-t_{m}\right)^{n}}{n!}$
Let us define a function
$g_{m}(t)=f\binom{t, x\left(t ; x\left(t_{m}\right), x^{\prime}\left(t_{m}\right), t_{m}\right)}{,x^{\prime}\left(t ; x\left(t_{m}\right), x^{\prime}\left(t_{m}\right), t_{m}\right)}=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n} \frac{\left(t-t_{m}\right)^{n}}{n!}$,
where a notation similar to that in (2) has been used, upon substitution of (48) into (1), we find the recursion relation
$a_{0}=x\left(t_{m}\right)$,
$a_{1}=x^{\prime}\left(t_{m}\right)$,
$a_{n}=-\gamma a_{n-1}-\alpha a_{n-2}+\varepsilon c_{n-2}$, with $n \geq 2$.
It is important to remark that coefficients $c_{n}$ depend only on coefficients $a_{m}$ with indices $m \leq n$ at most, so that the relations (49) can be solved. Nevertheless, the relations among a's and c's can be more or less involved depending on the form of function $g_{m}(t)$.

By defining auxiliary constants $b_{n}$ through
$b_{0}=a_{0}$,
$b_{1}=a_{1}+\gamma a_{0}$,
$b_{n}=a_{n}+\gamma a_{n-1}+\alpha a_{n-2}=\varepsilon c_{n-2}$, with $n \geq 2$,
The exact solution can be expanded as
$x_{n}(t)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{n} G_{n}\left(t-t_{m}\right)$.
Notice that the third of equations (53) shows that $b_{n+2}$ ( $n$ $\geq 2$ ) is the $n$ order derivative of the function $g_{m}(t)$, at $t=t_{m}$. Therefore, the definition of the $G$-functions allows us to obtain the identity
$x(t)=\sum_{n=0}^{p} b_{n} G_{n}\left(t-t_{m}\right)+g_{m}^{(p+1)}\left(\eta_{m}\right) G_{p+1}\left(t-t_{m}\right)$,
where $t_{m}<\eta_{m}<t$ and $p \geq 2$.
As for the derivative, it is given by
$x^{\prime}(t)=\sum_{n=0}^{p} b_{n} G_{n}^{\prime}\left(t-t_{m}\right)+g_{m}^{(p+1)}\left(\eta_{m}\right) G_{p+1}^{\prime}\left(t-t_{m}\right)$,
where $t_{m}<\eta_{m}<t$ and $p \geq 2$.
Given a sequence of points $\left\{t_{m}\right\}_{m=0}^{N}$ with $t_{0}=0, t_{N}=T$, evenly spaced or not, we can compute approximations $\left(x_{m}, x_{m}^{\prime}\right)$ to the exact values $\left(x\left(t_{m}\right), x^{\prime}\left(t_{m}\right)\right)$ by truncating (52) and (53) as
$x_{m+1}=\sum_{n=0}^{p} b_{n} G_{n}\left(t_{m+1}-t_{m}\right)$,
$x_{m+1}^{\prime}=\sum_{n=0}^{p} b_{n} G_{n}^{\prime}\left(t_{m+1}-t_{m}\right)$,
where $b_{n}$ are computed from the recurrences (49) and (50) by setting $a_{0}=x_{m}, a_{1}=x_{m+1}^{\prime}$, instead of $a_{0}=x_{0}, a_{1}=x_{1}^{\prime}$.

When $t_{m+1}-t_{m}=h, m=0, \ldots, N-1$ the local truncation error is easily derived from (52) and (53) as

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\begin{equation*}
x\left(t_{m+1}\right)-x_{m+1}=g_{m}^{(p+1)}\left(\xi_{m}\right) G_{p+1}\left(t-t_{m}\right)=O\left(\varepsilon h^{p+1}\right), \tag{56}
\end{equation*}
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$x^{\prime}\left(t_{m+1}\right)-x_{m+1}^{\prime}=g_{m}^{(p+1)}\left(\xi_{m}\right) G_{p+1}^{\prime}\left(t-t_{m}\right)=O\left(\varepsilon h^{p}\right)$.
The numerical scheme given in (54) and (55) is thus consistent, of order $p$ for the solution $x(t)$.

The stability of the scheme given by (54) and (55) is easy to prove directly. Taking into account equations (49) and (50), the algorithm can be written as
$x_{n+1}=\left(G_{0}+\gamma G_{1}\right) x_{n}+G_{1} x_{n}^{\prime}+h \Phi_{0}\left(t, x_{n}, x_{n}^{\prime}, f\right)$,
$x_{n+1}^{\prime}=\left(G_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma G_{1}^{\prime}\right) x_{n}+G_{1}^{\prime} x_{n}^{\prime}+h \Phi_{1}\left(t, x_{n}, x_{n}^{\prime}, f\right)$,
when all $G$-functions are evaluated at $h$.
Using the identities:
$G_{0}+\gamma G_{1} \equiv e^{-\frac{1}{2} \gamma t}\left(\frac{\gamma}{M} \sinh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right)+\cosh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right)\right)$,
$G_{1} \equiv \frac{2 e^{-\frac{1}{2} \gamma t}}{M} \sinh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right)$,
$G_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma G_{1}^{\prime} \equiv \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2} \gamma t}}{2}\left(M \sinh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right)-\gamma \cosh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right)\right)$,
$G_{1}^{\prime} \equiv e^{-\frac{1}{2} \gamma t}\left(\cosh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right)-\frac{\gamma}{M} \sinh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right)\right)$,
with $M=\left(\gamma^{2}-4 \alpha\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, equations (58) and (59) can be transformed into
$\binom{x_{n+1}}{x_{n+1}^{\prime}}=e^{-\frac{1}{2} r_{t}}$.
$\left(\begin{array}{cc}\frac{\gamma}{M} \sinh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right)+\cosh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right) & \frac{2}{M} \sinh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right) \\ \frac{M}{2} \sinh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right)-\frac{\gamma}{2} \cosh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right) & \cosh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right)-\frac{\gamma}{M} \sinh \left(\frac{M t}{2}\right)\end{array}\right)$.
$\binom{x_{n}}{x_{n}^{\prime}}+h\binom{\Phi_{0}}{\Phi_{1}}=A\binom{x_{n}}{x_{n}^{\prime}}+h \boldsymbol{\Phi}$.
This equation owns the form of equation (2-4) of Lambert's book [26], p. 24. We have to notice that the assumptions there are fulfilled, because the function $\boldsymbol{\Phi}$ vanishes whenever $f(t) \equiv 0$, since then $c_{n}=0, \forall n \geq 0$ and it verifies a Lipschitz condition, since $f$ was assumed to be analytic.

On the other hand, the eigenvalues of matrix $A$ are $\exp \left( \pm \frac{(M \mp \gamma) t}{2}\right)$, then the root condition holds.

Therefore, the application of Lambert's Theorem 2.1 [26] shows that.

Proposition 1 The scheme given by (52) and (53) is zerostable.

Notice that the Lipschitz condition coming from the differentiability of $f$ implies that the single-step method (54) and (55) is regular, and by virtue of its consistency we could have established directly the following

Proposition 2 The method (58) and (59) is convergent.

## RESIDUE CALCULATION

The truncation error of $G$-functions series method, is

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\begin{equation*}
r_{m}(t)=\varepsilon \sum_{k=m-1}^{\infty} c_{k} \frac{t^{k}}{k!} \tag{65}
\end{equation*}
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as

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\begin{align*}
r_{m}(t) & =\varepsilon g(t)-\left(x_{m}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma x_{m}^{\prime}+\alpha x_{m}(t)\right)  \tag{66}\\
& =\varepsilon g(t)-\sum_{k=0}^{m} b_{k}\left(G_{k}^{\prime \prime}(t)+\gamma G_{k}^{\prime}(t)+\alpha G_{k}(t)\right) \\
& =\varepsilon \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_{k} \frac{t^{k}}{k!}-\varepsilon \sum_{k=2}^{m} c_{k-2} \frac{t^{k-2}}{(k-2)!} \\
& =\varepsilon \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} c_{k} \frac{t^{k}}{k!}-\varepsilon \sum_{k=0}^{m-2} c_{k} \frac{t^{k}}{k!}=\varepsilon \sum_{k=m-1}^{\infty} c_{k} \frac{t^{k}}{k!}
\end{align*}
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from all the above, it can be concluded that the parameter of perturbation $\varepsilon$ is a factor for $r_{m}(t)$.

As a result, $r_{m}(t)$ will be small with $\varepsilon$. If $\varepsilon=0$, the generalized Scheifele method of $G$-functions, with only the first and second term, integrates the equation exactly (1).

Although the method of series of $G$-functions has a high accuracy and integrates exactly the homogeneous problem, the recurrent calculation of the coefficients $c_{k}$, development (44), it is difficult for complicated expressions of the function of perturbation, which can impede the implementation of the method of series of $G$-functions on a computer.

To solve this difficulty, in the next section describes the transformation of the numerical method based on series of $G$-functions in a multistep scheme, similar to the methods SMF [13, 24], but variable step and order, i.e., obtaining VSVO multistep schemes [14, 15].

To obtain a multistep scheme, approximates the derivative of function of perturbation, using divided differences.

Explicit and implicit methods are constructed, which allow the implementation of computational methods predictor-corrector type.

## MULTISTEP EXPLICIT METHOD OF $p$ STEP, FOR PERTURBED AND DAMPED OSCILLATORS

In order to obtain the explicit method we will substitute the derivatives by expressions in term of divided differences and next to some coefficients $d_{i j}$, elements of a matrix $A_{p}^{-t}$, of those we do not known a recurrence relation. Once the matrix $A_{p}^{-t}$ is known, we will set up a recurrent calculus, through matrix $S_{p, n}$, to be defined later for the explicit method. The study of symmetric polynomials [27] and its relation with the divided differences, will allow us the computation of the matrix $S_{p, n}$.

To make a variable step explicit multistep method of $p$ steps, we use up to $(p-1)$-th order divided difference of a function $g$ in the grid values $t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-p+1}$ we denote by $g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-k}\right]$ [28], with $k=0,1, \ldots, n$, the divided difference of $g$ with order $k$, in the arguments $t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-k}$ of the variable $t \in[a, b]$.

The divided differences of perturbed function $g(t)$ satisfy the identity
$g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-i}\right]=\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} P_{j}\left[0,-H_{1}, \ldots,-H_{i}\right] \cdot g^{j)}\left(t_{n}\right)$
being $P_{k}(t)=\frac{t^{k}}{k!}$ and $H_{i}=t_{n}-t_{n-i}$ [16].
Denoting by $D_{p, n}$ the following matrix, with $1 \times p$ order

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D_{p, n}=\left(\begin{array}{llll}
g\left[t_{n}\right] & 1!g\left[t_{n}, t_{n-1}\right] & \cdots & (p-1)!g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(p-1)}\right] \tag{68}
\end{array}\right)
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And choosing $H=\max \left\{H_{1}, \ldots, H_{p-1}\right\}, \quad$ verifies the identity

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D_{p, n}^{t}=A_{p}\left(\begin{array}{c}
g\left(t_{n}\right)  \tag{69}\\
g^{\prime}\left(t_{n}\right) \\
\vdots \\
g^{p-1)}\left(t_{n}\right)
\end{array}\right)+\left(\begin{array}{c}
O\left(H^{p}\right) \\
O\left(H^{p-1}\right) \\
\vdots \\
O(H)
\end{array}\right)
$$

where

$$
A_{p}=\left(\begin{array}{ccccc}
1 & P_{1}[0] & P_{2}[0] & \cdots & P_{p-1}[0]  \tag{70}\\
0 & 1 & 1!P_{2}\left[0,-H_{1}\right] & \cdots & 1!P_{p-1}\left[0,-H_{1}\right] \\
0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 2!P_{p-1}\left[0,-H_{1},-H_{2}\right] \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1
\end{array}\right)_{p \times p}
$$

using a more compact notation is possible to write (69) as:
$D_{p, n}^{t}=A_{p} \times Z_{p \times 1}+O_{p \times 1}$, being
$Z_{1 \times p}^{\prime}=\left(\begin{array}{llll}g\left(t_{n}\right) & g^{\prime}\left(t_{n}\right) & \cdots & g^{p-1)}\left(t_{n}\right)\end{array}\right)$.
After truncating the former expansion and solving for $Z_{p \times 1}$, it results:
$Z_{p \times 1}=A_{p}^{-1} \times\left(D_{p, n}^{t}\right)_{p \times 1}$ and $Z_{1 \times p}^{t}=D_{p, n} \times A_{p}^{-t}$.
Designating by $\left(d_{i j}\right)_{p \times p}=A_{p}^{-t}=\left(A_{p}^{-1}\right)^{t}$, it can write:
$Z_{1 \times p}^{\prime}=\binom{\sum_{i=1}^{p} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right] d_{i 1}(i-1)!\cdots}{\sum_{i=1}^{p} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right] d_{i p}(i-1)!}_{1 \times p}$
Substituting in (28) and (29), we obtain by truncation
$x_{n+1}=x_{n} G_{0}(h)+\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{1}(h)$
$+\varepsilon \sum_{j=0}^{p-1}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{p} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right] d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!\right) G_{j+2}(h)$
$=x_{n} G_{0}(h)+\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right)_{n} G_{1}(h)$
$+\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right]\left(\sum_{j=0}^{p-1} d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!G_{j+2}(h)\right)$,
$x_{n+1}^{\prime}=\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{0}(h)+x_{n} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)$
$+\varepsilon \sum_{j=0}^{p-1}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{p} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right] d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!\right) G_{j+1}(h)$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{0}(h)+x_{n} G_{0}^{\prime}(h) \\
& +\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right]\left(\sum_{j=0}^{p-1} d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!G_{j+1}(h)\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Denoting

$$
\begin{align*}
& \Lambda_{i}=\sum_{j=0}^{p-1} d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!G_{j+2}(h),  \tag{76}\\
& \Lambda_{i}^{\prime}=\sum_{j=0}^{p-1} d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!G_{j+1}(h), \text { with } i=1, \ldots, p \tag{77}
\end{align*}
$$

we obtain the following formulas, for a multistep explicit method
$x_{n+1}=x_{n} G_{0}(h)+\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{1}(h)$
$+\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p} \Lambda_{i} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right]$
$x_{n+1}^{\prime}=\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{0}(h)+x_{n} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)$
$+\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p} \Lambda_{i}^{\prime} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right]$
In order to design a method of variable step and variable order, VSVO, be obtained the elements of matrix $A_{p}^{-t}=\left(d_{i j}\right)_{p \times p}$ recursively.

The recurrences of elements $d_{i j}$, are based on the complete symmetric functions, $h_{n, r}$ and the elementary symmetrical functions $e_{n, r}$ [27,29], defined as:
$e_{n, 0}=1, \quad e_{n, r}=\sum_{i_{1}<i_{2}<\cdots<i_{r}}^{n} t_{i_{1}} \cdots t_{i_{r}}, \quad e_{n, r}=0$ with $r<0$,
$h_{n, r}=\sum_{|\lambda|=r} \sum_{S_{\lambda}} t^{\alpha}$
where $\lambda=\left(\lambda_{1} \cdots \lambda_{n}\right) \in \mathbb{N}^{n}$ being $|\lambda|=\lambda_{1}+\cdots+\lambda_{n}$, and
$S_{\lambda}=\left\{\right.$ all the differents permutations $\alpha=\left(\alpha_{1} \cdots \alpha_{n}\right)$ of $\left.\lambda\right\}$
with $t^{\alpha}=t_{1}^{\alpha_{1}} \ldots t_{n .}^{\alpha_{n}}$, in the case $r<0$, it is defined as $h_{n, r}=0$,
particularly $h_{n, 0}=1$ and $h_{n, 1}=e_{n, 1}$.
Between the divided differences of $g(t)=t^{m}$, that we will denote by $t^{m}\left[t_{1}, \ldots, t_{n}\right]$ and the complete symmetrical polynomial the next relations holds
$t^{m}\left[t_{1}, \ldots, t_{n}\right]=h_{n, m-n+1}$.
If consider the point $t_{n}$, it define the complete symmetric functions,
$q_{i j}(n)=t^{j-1}\left[\mathrm{H}_{n}, \ldots, \mathrm{H}_{n-(i-1)}\right]$ and $\sigma_{i j}(n)=(-1)^{j-i} e_{j-1, j-i}$,
in values $\mathrm{H}_{n-k}=t_{n-k}-t^{*}$ with $k=0, \ldots, i-1$, and
$t^{*} \in[a, b]$.

The square matrices of order $k, P_{k, n}=\left(q_{i j}(n)\right)$ and $S_{k, n}=\left(\sigma_{i j}(n)\right)$, are inverse each other.

As $\mathrm{H}_{n-j}=t_{n-j}-t^{*}$ and $H_{j}=t_{n}-t_{n-j}$ it can write $\left(t_{n}-t^{*}\right)-H_{j}=\mathrm{H}_{n-j}$ with $j=0, \ldots, i-1$.

In the particular case $t^{*}=t_{n}$ we will get $\mathrm{H}_{n-j}=-H_{j}$ with $j=0, \ldots, i-1$.

The divided differences of one function $g$ satisfy the property:

$$
\begin{equation*}
g\left[t_{n}, t_{n-1}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right]=\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} q_{i(j+1)}(n) \frac{1}{j!} g^{j)}\left(t^{*}\right) . \tag{85}
\end{equation*}
$$

If $\mathrm{H}=\max \left\{\left|\mathrm{H}_{n}\right|, \ldots,\left|\mathrm{H}_{n-(i-1)}\right|\right\}$, as $q_{i j}(n)$ have order $j-i$ in H , it can write:

$$
\begin{equation*}
g\left[t_{n}, t_{n-1}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right]=\sum_{j=0}^{p-1} q_{i(j+1)}(n) \frac{1}{j!} g^{j)}\left(t^{*}\right)+O\left(\mathrm{H}^{p-(i-1)}\right) \tag{86}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $i=1, \ldots, p$.
Considering $t^{*}=t_{n}$ and expressing those equalities (86) in a matricial way, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left(\begin{array}{c}
g\left[t_{n}\right] \\
g\left[t_{n}, t_{n-1}\right] \\
\vdots \\
g\left[t_{n,}, \ldots, t_{n-(p-1)}\right]
\end{array}\right) & =\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
q_{11}(n) & \cdots & q_{1 p}(n) \\
q_{21}(n) & \cdots & q_{2 p}(n) \\
\vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
q_{p 1}(n) & \cdots & q_{p p}(n)
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{c}
g\left(t_{n}\right) \\
\frac{g^{\prime}\left(t_{n}\right)}{1!} \\
\vdots \\
\frac{g^{(p-1)}\left(t_{n}\right)}{(p-1)!}
\end{array}\right) \\
& +\left(\begin{array}{c}
O\left(\mathrm{H}^{p}\right) \\
O\left(\mathrm{H}^{p-1}\right) \\
\vdots \\
O(\mathrm{H})
\end{array}\right),
\end{aligned}
$$

and as $q_{i(j+1)}(n)=h_{i, j}$ in the arguments $\mathrm{H}_{n}, \ldots, \mathrm{H}_{n-(i-1)}$, it can write

$$
\begin{align*}
\left(\begin{array}{c}
g\left[t_{n}\right] \\
g\left[t_{n}, t_{n-1}\right] \\
\vdots \\
g\left[t_{n,}, \ldots, t_{n-(p-1)}\right]
\end{array}\right) & =\left(\begin{array}{cccc}
1 & h_{1,1} & \cdots & h_{1, p-1} \\
0 & 1 & \cdots & h_{2, p-2} \\
\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & \cdots & 1
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{c}
g\left(t_{n}\right) \\
\frac{g^{\prime}\left(t_{n}\right)}{1!} \\
\vdots \\
\frac{g^{(p-1)}\left(t_{n}\right)}{(p-1)!}
\end{array}\right)  \tag{88}\\
& +\left(\begin{array}{c}
O\left(\mathrm{H}^{p}\right) \\
O\left(\mathrm{H}^{p-1}\right) \\
\vdots \\
O(\mathrm{H})
\end{array}\right)
\end{align*}
$$

Since $\sigma_{i j}(n)=\sigma_{(i-1)(j-1)}(n)-\mathrm{H}_{n-j+2} \sigma_{i(j-1)}(n)$ for $i, j \geq 2$, if we consider $t^{*}=t_{n}$, then:
$S_{p, n}=\left(\sigma_{i j}(n)\right)_{p \times p}$
with $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\sigma_{11}(n)=1 \\ \sigma_{1 j}(n)=0, \quad 1<j \leq p \\ \sigma_{i 1}(n)=0, \quad 1<i \leq p \\ \sigma_{i j}(n)=\sigma_{(i-1)(j-1)}(n)-\mathrm{H}_{n-j+2} \sigma_{i(j-1)}(n), \quad 2 \leq i, j \leq p\end{array}\right.$
Getting recurrent form of the matrix $A_{p}^{-t}$ through:
$A_{p}^{-t}=M_{p} \times P_{p, n}^{-t} \times N_{p}=M_{p} \times S_{p, n}^{t} \times N_{p}$, i.e.
$d_{i j}=\frac{(j-1)!\sigma_{j i}(n)}{(i-1)!}$ with $i, j=1, \ldots, p$,
where $M_{p}=\left(m_{i j}\right)_{p}$ is a diagonal matrix, such that $m_{i i}=\frac{1}{i!}$, with $i=0, \ldots, p-1$ and $N_{p}=M_{p}^{-1}$.

The previous expressions (89) and (90) allow us to compute the $A_{p}^{-t}$ matrix by recurrence, from $S_{p, n}^{t}$ matrix.

Substituting (91) in (76), (77), (78) and (79), is possible define the multistep explicit method, using the next notation:

## Definition 1

Let:
$x_{n}$ the approximation to the value of the solution in $t_{n}$.
$x_{n}^{\prime}$ the approximation to the value of the derivative in $t_{n}$.
The starting values for the solution $x(t)$ in the points $t_{0}, \ldots, t_{p-1}$ are: $x_{0}, \ldots, x_{p-1}$.

The starting values for the derivative $x^{\prime}(t)$ in the points $t_{0}, \ldots, t_{p-1}$ are: $x_{0}^{\prime}, \ldots, x_{p-1}^{\prime}$.

The formal expression of explicit multistep method, based on $G$-functions generalized, is:

$$
\begin{equation*}
x_{n+1}=x_{n} G_{0}(h)+\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{1}(h)+\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p} \Lambda_{i} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right] \tag{92}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $n \geq p-1$,
$x_{n+1}^{\prime}=\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{0}(h)+x_{n} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)+\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p} \Lambda_{i}^{\prime} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(i-1)}\right]$
with $n \geq p-1$,
where

$$
\begin{align*}
& \Lambda_{i}=\sum_{j=0}^{p-1} j!\sigma_{(j+1) i}(n) G_{j+2}(h) \text { with } i=1, \ldots, p,  \tag{94}\\
& \Lambda_{i}^{\prime}=\sum_{j=0}^{p-1} j!\sigma_{(j+1) i}(n) G_{j+1}(h) \text { with } i=1, \ldots, p \tag{95}
\end{align*}
$$

Proposition 3 In the explicit method of p steps, the small perturbation parameter is always a common factor in the
expression of truncation errors in each step. If $\varepsilon=0$, the algorithm integrates exactly the unperturbed problem.

Proof: Suppose that the value calculated for $x$ and $x^{\prime}$ in $t=n h$ is exact, i.e., $x_{n}=x(n h)$ and $x_{n}^{\prime}=x^{\prime}(n h)$.

In addition also the value of $f\left(x_{n-j}, x_{n-j}^{\prime},(n-j) h\right)$ is exact, with $j=0,1, \ldots, p-1$, i.e.
$f\left(x_{n-j}, x_{n-j}^{\prime},(n-j) h\right)=f\left(x((n-j) h), x^{\prime}((n-j) h),(n-j) h\right)$ with $j=0,1, \ldots, p-1$. Let $r=x((n+1) h)-x_{n+1}$, then:
$r=\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{j}(n h)}{j!} h^{j}-\binom{x_{n} G_{0}(h)+\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{n}\right) G_{1}(h)}{+\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right]}$
$=\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} x^{j)}(n h)\left(G_{j}(h)+\gamma G_{j+1}(h)+\alpha G_{j+2}(h)\right)$
$-\left(x_{n} G_{0}(h)+\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{n}\right) G_{1}(h)+\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right]\right)$
$=x(n h) G_{0}(h)+\left(x^{\prime}(n h)+\gamma x(n h)\right) G_{1}(h)$
$+\sum_{j=2}^{\infty}\left(x^{j)}(n h)+\gamma x^{j-1)}(n h)+\alpha x^{j-2)}(n h)\right) G_{j}(h)$
$-\left(x_{n} G_{0}(h)+\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{n}\right) G_{1}(h)+\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right]\right)$
$=\sum_{j=2}^{\infty}\left(x^{j)}(n h)+\gamma x^{j-1)}(n h)+\alpha x^{j-2)}(n h)\right) G_{j}(h)$
$-\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right]$
$=\sum_{j=2}^{\infty} \varepsilon f^{j-2)}\left(x_{n}, x_{n}^{\prime}, n h\right) G_{j}(h)-\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right]$
$=\varepsilon\left(\sum_{j=2}^{\infty} f^{j-2)}\left(x_{n}, x_{n}^{\prime}, n h\right) G_{j}(h)-\sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right]\right)$.
In the same way, let $r^{\prime}=x^{\prime}((n+1) h)-x_{n+1}^{\prime}$, then:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& r^{\prime}=\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{j+1)}(n h)}{j!} h^{j}-\binom{\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{n}\right) G_{0}(h)+x_{n} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)}{+\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j}^{\prime} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right]} \\
& =\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} x^{j+1)}(n h)\left(G_{j}(h)+\gamma G_{j+1}(h)+\alpha G_{j+2}(h)\right) \\
& -\binom{\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{n}\right) G_{0}(h)+x_{n}\left(-\alpha G_{1}(h)-\gamma G_{0}(h)\right)}{+\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j}^{\prime} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right]}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =x^{\prime}(n h) G_{0}(h)+\left(x^{\prime \prime}(n h)+\gamma x^{\prime}(n h)\right) G_{1}(h) \\
& +\sum_{j=2}^{\infty}\left(x^{j+1)}(n h)+\gamma x^{j)}(n h)+\alpha x^{j-1)}(n h)\right) G_{j}(h) \\
& -\left(x_{n}^{\prime} G_{0}(h)-\alpha x_{n} G_{1}(h)+\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j}^{\prime} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right]\right) \\
& =\sum_{j=2}^{\infty}\left(x^{j+1)}(n h)+\gamma x^{j)}(n h)+\alpha x^{j-1)}(n h)\right) G_{j}(h) \\
& -\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j}^{\prime} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right] \\
& =\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon f^{j-1)}\left(x_{n}, x_{n}^{\prime}, n h\right) G_{j}(h)-\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right] \\
& =\varepsilon\left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} f^{j-1)}\left(x_{n}, x_{n}^{\prime}, n h\right) G_{j}(h)-\sum_{j=1}^{p} \Lambda_{j} g\left[t_{n}, \ldots, t_{n-(j-1)}\right]\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

## MULTISTEP IMPLICIT METHOD OF $p$ STEP, FOR PERTURBED AND DAMPED OSCILLATORS

Similarly for the explicit case [16], the matrix of that we extract the coefficients $d_{i j}$ we will denote as $B_{p}^{-t}$, being the matrix $B_{p}$ :

$$
B_{p}=\left(\begin{array}{ccccc}
1 & P_{1}[h] & P_{2}[h] & \cdots & P_{p}[h]  \tag{96}\\
0 & 1 & 1!P_{2}[h, 0] & \cdots & 1!P_{p}[h, 0] \\
0 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 2!P_{p}\left[h, 0,-H_{1}\right] \\
\vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1
\end{array}\right)_{(p+1) \times(p+1)}
$$

Designating by $\left(d_{i j}\right)_{(p+1) \times(p+1)}=B_{p}^{-t}=\left(B_{p}^{-1}\right)^{t}$, it can write

$$
\begin{equation*}
Z_{1 \times(p+1)}^{\prime}=\binom{\sum_{i=1}^{p+1} g\left[t_{n+1}, \ldots, t_{n+1-(i-1)}\right] d_{i 1}(i-1)!\cdots}{\sum_{i=1}^{p+1} g\left[t_{n+1}, \ldots, t_{n+1-(i-1)}\right] d_{i(p+1)}(i-1)!}_{1 \times p} \tag{97}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proceeding analogously to the explicit case, we obtain:

$$
\begin{align*}
& x_{n+1}=x_{n} G_{0}(h)+\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{1}(h) \\
& +\varepsilon \sum_{j=0}^{p}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{p+1} g\left[t_{n+1}, \ldots, t_{n+1-(i-1)}\right] d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!\right) G_{j+2}(h)  \tag{98}\\
& =x_{n} G_{0}(h)+\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{1}(h) \\
& +\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} g\left[t_{n+1}, \ldots, t_{n+1-(i-1)}\right]\left(\sum_{j=0}^{p} d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!G_{j+2}(h)\right), \\
& x_{n+1}^{\prime}=\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{0}(h)+x_{n} G_{0}^{\prime}(h) \\
& +\varepsilon \sum_{j=0}^{p}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{p+1} g\left[t_{n+1}, \ldots, t_{n+1-(i-1)}\right] d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!\right) G_{j+1}(h) \tag{99}
\end{align*}
$$

$=\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{0}(h)+x_{n} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)$
$+\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} g\left[t_{n+1}, \ldots, t_{n+1-(i-1)}\right]\left(\sum_{j=0}^{p} d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!G_{j+1}(h)\right)$.
Denoting
$\Gamma_{i}=\sum_{j=0}^{p} d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!G_{j+2}(h)$,
$\Gamma_{i}^{\prime}=\sum_{j=0}^{p} d_{i(j+1)}(i-1)!G_{j+1}(h)$,
with $i=1, \ldots, p+1$, we obtain the following formulas, for a multistep implicit method,
$x_{n+1}=x_{n} G_{0}(h)+\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{1}(h)$
$+\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} \Gamma_{i} g\left[t_{n+1}, \ldots, t_{n+1-(i-1)}\right]$
$x_{n+1}^{\prime}=\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{0}(h)+x_{n} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)$
$+\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} \Gamma_{i}^{\prime} g\left[t_{n+1}, \ldots, t_{n+1-(i-1)}\right]$
Once the matrix $B_{p}^{-t}$ is known, we will set up a recurrent calculus, through matrix $S_{p, n+1}$ for the implicit method, being the matrix $S_{p, n+1}$ :
$S_{p, n+1}=\left(\sigma_{i j}(n)\right)_{(p+1) \times(p+1)}$
with

$$
\begin{align*}
& \sigma_{11}(n)=1, \quad \sigma_{1,2}(n)=-h_{n+1}  \tag{104}\\
& \sigma_{1 j}(n)=0, \quad 2<j \leq p+1 \\
& \sigma_{i 1}(n)=0, \quad 1<i \leq p+1 \\
& \sigma_{i j}(n)=\sigma_{(i-1)(j-1)}(n)-\mathrm{H}_{n-j+3} \sigma_{i(j-1)}(n), \quad 2 \leq i, j \leq p+1
\end{align*}
$$

The recurrent form of the matrix $B_{p}^{-t}$, is then got through:

$$
\begin{align*}
& B_{p}^{-t}=M_{p+1} \times P_{p, n+1}^{-t} \times N_{p+1}=M_{p+1} \times S_{p, n+1}^{t} \times N_{p+1}, \text { i.e. }  \tag{105}\\
& d_{i j}=\frac{(j-1)!\sigma_{j i}(n)}{(i-1)!} \text { with } i, j=1, \ldots, p+1, \tag{106}
\end{align*}
$$

where
$M_{p+1}=\left(m_{i j}\right)_{p+1}$ is a diagonal matrix, such that $m_{i i}=\frac{1}{i!}$, with $i=0, \ldots, p$ and $N_{p+1}=M_{p+1}^{-1}$.

The expressions (104) and (105) allow us to compute the $B_{p}^{-t}$ matrix by recurrence, from $S_{p, n+1}^{t}$.

Substituting (106) in (100), (101), (102) and (103), is possible define the multistep implicit method, using the next notation:

## Definition 2

Let:
$x_{n}$ the approximation to the value of the solution in $t_{n}$.
$x_{n}^{\prime}$ the approximation to the value of the derivative in $t_{n}$.
The starting values for the solution $x(t)$ in the points $t_{0}, \ldots, t_{p-1}$ are: $x_{0}, \ldots, x_{p-1}$.

The starting values for the derivative $x^{\prime}(t)$ in the points $t_{0}, \ldots, t_{p-1}$ are: $x_{0}^{\prime}, \ldots, x_{p-1}^{\prime}$.

The formal expression of implicit multistep method, based on $G$-functions generalized, is:
$x_{n+1}=x_{n} G_{0}(h)+\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{1}(h)+\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} \Gamma_{i} g\left[t_{n+1}, \ldots, t_{n+1-(i-1)}\right]$
with $n \geq p-1$,

$$
\begin{equation*}
x_{n+1}^{\prime}=\left(x_{n}^{\prime}+x_{n} \gamma\right) G_{0}(h)+x_{n} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)+\varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^{p+1} \Gamma_{i}^{\prime} g\left[t_{n+1}, \ldots, t_{n+1-(i-1)}\right] \tag{108}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $n \geq p-1$,
where
$\Gamma_{i}=\sum_{j=0}^{p} j!\sigma_{(j+1) i} G_{j+2}(h)$ with $i=1, \ldots, p+1$,
$\Gamma_{i}^{\prime}=\sum_{j=0}^{p} j!\sigma_{(j+1) i} G_{j+1}(h)$ with $i=1, \ldots, p+1$.
Proposition 4: In the implicit method of $p$ steps, the small perturbation parameter $\varepsilon$ is always a common factor in the expression of truncation errors in each step. If $\varepsilon=0$ the algorithm integrates exactly the unperturbed problem.

## MULTISTEP PREDICTOR-CORRECTOR METHOD OF $p$ STEP, FOR PERTURBED AND DAMPED OSCILLATORS

The predictor-corrector method, with variable step size, of $p$ steps for perturbed and damped oscillators is defined like the one which have as predictor explicit method and as corrector he implicit method, with the previous definitions (92), (93) and (107), (108).

That is, the predictor-corrector method used is the type $P(E C)^{\mu} E^{1-t}$, with $t=\mu=1$.

## NUMERICAL EXPERIMENTS

In this section, it shows the good behaviour of the new numerical and computational methods based on $G$-functions, comparing the accuracy of both methods, in front of to known codes:

LSODE which obtains numerical solutions using the Livermore Stiff ODE integrator. GEAR, which obtains numerical solutions through Burlirsch-Stöer, rational extrapolation method.

MGEAR [msteppart] which is a multistep method, capable of being applied to stiff problems.

Used in solving the test problems, which are outlined below, its implementation in Maple.

## Problem 1

Let's consider the following stiff problem, which appears in $[19,30,31]$.

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{l}
x_{1}^{\prime}(t)=2 x_{1}(t)+x_{2}(t)+2 \sin (t)  \tag{111}\\
x_{2}^{\prime}(t)=-(\eta+2) x_{1}(t)+(\eta+1)\left(x_{2}(t)-\cos (t)+\sin (t)\right)
\end{array}\right.
$$

with initial conditions $x_{1}(0)=2, x_{2}(0)=3$ and solution independent of $\eta$ :
$x_{1}(t)=2 e^{-t}+\sin (t), x_{2}(t)=2 e^{-t}+\cos (t)$.
The eigenvalues of the system are -1 and $\eta$, which enables its degree of stiffness to be regulated. For the case $\eta=-1000$, the following stiff problem is obtained, proposed in [26].
$\binom{x_{1}^{\prime}(t)}{x_{2}^{\prime}(t)}=\left(\begin{array}{cc}-2 & 1 \\ 998 & -999\end{array}\right)\binom{x_{1}(t)}{x_{2}(t)}$
$+\binom{2 \sin (t)}{999(\cos (t)-\sin (t))}$,
$x_{1}(0)=2, \quad x_{2}(0)=3$.
By expressing (111) as a forced and damped oscillator, we obtain the IVP
$x^{\prime \prime}(t)+1001 x^{\prime}(t)+1000 x(t)=1001 \cos (t)+999 \sin (t)$,
$x(0)=2, x^{\prime}(0)=-1$,
with exact solution and derivative
$x(t)=2 e^{-t}+\sin t, x^{\prime}(t)=-2 e^{-t}+\cos t$.
To resolve this problem, has been using the method of series of $G$-functions primarily with $\alpha=1000$ and $\gamma=1001$, the integration being carried out using the algorithm described in (45) and (46). Then also has integrated IVP, by multistep predictor-corrector algorithm of $p$ steps, for perturbed and damped oscillators.

To integrate the IVP using the method of series of $G$ functions, proceed as follows.

In the first integration step, the recurrence relation is obtained:
$a_{0}=x_{0}$,
$a_{1}=x_{0}^{\prime}$,
$a_{k+2}=-\gamma a_{k+1}-\alpha a_{k}+1001 \cos \left(k \frac{\pi}{2}\right)+999 \sin \left(k \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$
$k \geq 0$
and coefficients $b_{k}$ are calculated through the relations:
$b_{0}=a_{0}=x_{0}$,
$b_{1}=a_{1}+\gamma a_{0}=x_{0}^{\prime}+\gamma x_{0}$,
$b_{k+2}=a_{k+2}+\gamma a_{k+1}+\alpha a_{k}$ with, $k \geq 0$.
Noting that the approximations of $x(h)$ and $x^{\prime}(h)$ are $x_{1}$ and $x_{1}^{\prime}$, respectively, the approximation of the solution and its derivative result in:
$x_{1}=b_{0} G_{0}(h)+b_{1} G_{1}(h)+\sum_{n=0}^{m-2} b_{n+2} G_{n+2}(h)$,
$x_{1}^{\prime}=b_{0} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)+b_{1} G_{0}(h)+\sum_{n=0}^{m-2} b_{n+2} G_{n+1}(h)$.
In order to carry out the second step of integration, it is necessary to solve the following IVP:
$x^{\prime \prime}(t)+1001 x^{\prime}(t)+1000 x(t)=1001 \cos (t)+999 \sin (t)$,
$x(h)=x_{1}$,
$x^{\prime}(h)=x_{1}^{\prime}$,
which has the disadvantage that, when setting a step size $h$ and calculating the value of the approximation $x(h)$ and $x^{\prime}(h)$, it is not possible to move to a second step, since the perturbation function depends explicitly on time. To avoid this difficulty, we proceed in the following manner.

The independent variable $\tau=t-h$ is changed, and we obtain the IVP

$$
\begin{aligned}
& x^{\prime \prime}(\tau)+1001 x^{\prime}(\tau)+1000 x(\tau) \\
& =1001 \cos (\tau+h)+999 \sin (\tau+h) \\
& x(0)=x_{1} \\
& x^{\prime}(0)=x_{1}^{\prime}
\end{aligned}
$$

This strategy makes it possible to initialize the method.
Let's suppose that we have already calculated an approximation of the solution and its derivative in point $t=n h, x_{n}$ and $x_{n}^{\prime}$, the independent variable $\tau=t-n h$ is changed and we obtain
$a_{0}=x_{n}$,
$a_{1}=x_{n}^{\prime}$,
$a_{k+2}=-\gamma a_{k+1}-\alpha a_{k}+1001 \cos \left(k \frac{\pi}{2}+n h\right)+999 \sin \left(k \frac{\pi}{2}+n h\right)$
with $k \geq 0$
and coefficients $b_{k}$ are calculated through the relations
$b_{0}=a_{0}$,
$b_{k+2}=a_{k+2}+\gamma a_{k+1}+\alpha a_{k}$ with, $k \geq 0$.
The approximation of the solution $x(t)$ and $x^{\prime}(t)$ in $t=(n+1) h$, result in the formulas:
$x_{n+1}=b_{0} G_{0}(h)+b_{1} G_{1}(h)+\sum_{n=0}^{m-2} b_{n+2} G_{n+2}(h)$,
$x_{n+1}^{\prime}=b_{0} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)+b_{1} G_{0}(h)+\sum_{n=0}^{m-2} b_{n+2} G_{n+1}(h)$.


Fig. (1). Problem 1. $x(t)$ position.


Fig. (2). Problem 1. $x^{\prime}(t)$ velocity.
Fig. (1) shows the logarithm graph for the absolute value of the relative error of solution $x(t)$, with 40 digits and stepsize $h=10^{-2}$, calculated by means of series and multistep methods, compared with the graphs corresponding for the logarithm of the absolute value of the relative error of the methods of LSODE[BACKFUNC] with tol $=10^{-19}$, MGEAR[MSTPPART] with errorper $=\operatorname{Float}(1,-13)$ and GEAR with errorper $=\operatorname{Float}(1,-17)$.

Fig. (2) contrasts its derivative $x^{\prime}(t)$ under the same conditions.

In Figs. (3, 4) we show an efficiency plot where $G$ functions multistep method its compared with integrations using well known general purpose codes. The computation
time is represented in the horizontal axis, in logarithmic scale, and the decimal logarithm of the integration error at the last point, $t=100$, is shown in the vertical axis. The tolerances used in the standard codes are displayed in the figure into parentheses, marking each time-error point.


Fig. (3). Problem 1. Efficiency plot for the integration of the coordinate $x$ at last point $t=100$ versus computation time for different methods.


Fig. (4). Problem 1. Efficiency plot for the integration of the coordinate $x^{\prime}$ at last point $t=100$ versus computation time for different methods.

We show the results of a few runs of it where the number of $G$-functions has been kept fixed at 4 and the number of digits used in the computations, that of course limit the attainable accuracy, has been varied to illustrate the behaviour of the method. The accuracy increases as the number of digits do, with a no noticeable major computational overhead. That number of digits is marked by the relevant point in the curve, with the figure followed by "d". To make the comparisons as honest as we can, the length of the mantissa used by MAPLE is adjusted according to the tolerances required to the integrator, so that for tolerances, $10^{-13}, 10^{-15}, 10^{-17}, 10^{-21}, 10^{-25}$ and $10^{-30}$. We use $13+4$ digits, $15+4$ digits, $17+4$, digits $21+4$ digits,
digits $25+4$ digits, and $30+4$ digits, to avoid spurious increase of the computation times.

In spite of the good performance of the multistep codes chosen, Figs. $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{4})$ show clearly that our algorithm is more accurate and efficient for this problem.

## Problem 2

This highly oscillatory problem arises from mechanics, which appears in [12].

The mechanical oscillator is modelled by
$x^{\prime \prime}(t)+x^{\prime}(t)+10000.25 x(t)=\cos (10 t)$,
$x(0)=1, x^{\prime}(0)=0$
which the exact solution and its derivative are expressed in the equations:
$x(t)=A \cos (10 t)+B \sin (10 t)+e^{\frac{-t}{2}}$
$(C \cos (100 t)+D \sin (100 t))$
$x^{\prime}(t)=-10 A \sin (10 t)+10 B \cos (10 t)$

$$
\begin{equation*}
+e^{\frac{-t}{2}}\binom{\left(100 D-\frac{C}{2}\right) \cos (100 t)}{-\left(100 C+\frac{D}{2}\right) \sin (100 t)} \tag{128}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $A=\frac{158404}{1568240801}, B=\frac{160 A}{158404}, C=1-A$,
$D=\frac{C-20 B}{200}$.
The model (126) corresponds to a vibrating system consisting of a mass of 1 kg attached to a spring of constant $k=10000.25 \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{s}^{2}$. The mass starts from rest 1 m below its equilibrium position. The movement is driven by a periodic force that occurs when $t=0$. The damping coefficient is 1 $\mathrm{kg} / \mathrm{s}$.

To resolve this problem we used the method of series of $G$-functions, the integration being carried out using the algorithm described in (45) and (46). Analogously to problem I, IVP has been integrated through the multistep predictor-corrector algorithm, $p$ steps.

To integrate the IVP using the method of series of $G$ functions, proceed as follows.

Let's suppose that we have already calculated an approximation of the solution and its derivative in point $t=n h, x_{n}$ and $x_{n}^{\prime}$, the independent variable $\tau=t-n h$ is changed and we obtain
$a_{0}=x_{n}$,
$a_{1}=x_{n}^{\prime}$,
$a_{k+2}=-\gamma a_{k+1}-\alpha a_{k}+10^{k} \cos \left(k \frac{\pi}{2}+10 n h\right)$ with $k \geq 0$
and coefficients $b_{k}$ are calculated through the relations
$b_{0}=a_{0}$,
$b_{1}=a_{1}+\gamma a_{0}$,
$b_{k+2}=a_{k+2}+\gamma a_{k+1}+\alpha a_{k}$ with, $k \geq 0$.
The approximation of the solution $x(t)$ and $x^{\prime}(t)$ in $t=(n+1) h$, result in the formulas:
$x_{n+1}=b_{0} G_{0}(h)+b_{1} G_{1}(h)+\sum_{n=0}^{m-2} b_{n+2} G_{n+2}(h)$,
$x_{n+1}^{\prime}=b_{0} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)+b_{1} G_{0}(h)+\sum_{n=0}^{m-2} b_{n+2} G_{n+1}(h)$.


Fig. (5). Problem 2. $x(t)$ position.
Fig. (5) shows the logarithm graph for the absolute value of the relative error of solution $x(t)$, with 40 digits and stepsize $h=5 \cdot 10^{-4}$, calculated by means of series and multistep methods, compared with the graphs corresponding for the logarithm of the absolute value of the relative error of the methods of LSODE[BACKFUNC] with tol $=10^{-19}$, $\operatorname{MGEAR}[M S T P P A R T]$ with errorper $=\operatorname{Float}(1,-12)$ and GEAR with errorper $=\operatorname{Float}(1,-17)$.


Fig. (6). Problem 2. Efficiency plot for the integration of the coordinate $x$ at last point $t=50$ versus computation time for different methods.

The result for the integration of the function $x(t)$ is shows in Fig. (6) in which the information is arranged as in Fig. (3).

## Problem 3

Let's consider the highly oscillatory problem proposed by Petzold [32, 33], which contains a harmonic oscillator:
$x^{\prime \prime}(t)+\lambda^{2} x(t)=a \sin (\lambda t)$, with
$x(0)=1, x^{\prime}(0)=-\frac{a}{2 \lambda}$,
the exact solution and its derivative are expressed in the equations:
$x(t)=\left(1-\frac{a}{2 \lambda} t\right) \cos (\lambda t)$,
$x^{\prime}(t)=-\lambda\left(1-\frac{a}{2 \lambda} t\right) \sin (\lambda t)-\frac{a}{2 \lambda} \cos (\lambda t)$.
Although its solution can be calculated exactly by means of analytical procedures, this example has been chosen to illustrate how the $G$-functions series method works for highly oscillatory harmonic perturbation functions.

Has been applied, as in the two previous problems, the method of series of $G$-functions and multi-step predictorcorrector algorithm, $p$ steps.

To integrate the IVP using the method of series of $G$ functions, proceed as follows:
$a_{0}=x_{n}$,
$a_{1}=x_{n}^{\prime}$,
$a_{k+2}=-\gamma a_{k+1}-\alpha a_{k}+a \lambda^{k} \sin \left(k \frac{\pi}{2}+\lambda n h\right)$ with $k \geq 0$
$b_{0}=a_{0}$,
$b_{1}=a_{1}+\gamma a_{0}$,
$b_{k+2}=a_{k+2}+\gamma a_{k+1}+\alpha a_{k}$ with, $k \geq 0$.
The approximation of the solution $x(t)$ and $x^{\prime}(t)$ in $t=(n+1) h$, result in the formulas:
$x_{n+1}=b_{0} G_{0}(h)+b_{1} G_{1}(h)+\sum_{n=0}^{m-2} b_{n+2} G_{n+2}(h)$,
$x_{n+1}^{\prime}=b_{0} G_{0}^{\prime}(h)+b_{1} G_{0}(h)+\sum_{n=0}^{m-2} b_{n+2} G_{n+1}(h)$.
The problem is solved for the case $a=1, \lambda=10$, $\alpha=\lambda^{2}$ and $\gamma=0$ [33].

As $\gamma=0$, this problem shows that the algorithm described in (45) and (46) generalizes the method based on the Scheifele functions described in [24] for the undamped case.

Fig. (7) shows the logarithm graph for the absolute value of the relative error of solution $x(t)$, with 40 digits and stepsize $h=10^{-3}$, calculated by means of series and multistep methods, compared with the graphs corresponding for the logarithm of the absolute value of the relative error of the methods of LSODE[BACKFUNC] with tol $=10^{-19}$, MGEAR[MSTPPART] with errorper $=\operatorname{Float}(1,-12)$ and GEAR with errorper $=\operatorname{Float}(1,-17)$.

The result for the integration of the function $x(t)$ is shows in Fig. (8) in which the information is arranged as in Fig. (3).


Fig. (7). Problem 3. $x(t)$ position.


Fig. (8). Problem 3. Efficiency plot for the integration of the coordinate $x$ at last point $t=100$ versus computation time for different methods.

## CONCLUSIONS

The first part of this article, is devoted to study of Scheifele functions adapted to forced and damped oscillators, as well as their most relevant properties, in particular, the law of recurrence useful for calculating said functions. A numerical and computational series method of integration is constructed, zero stable and convergent. This series method is based on adapted Scheifele functions. This scheme is extremely precise, however it is difficult to adapt
to each specific problem. In order to overcome this problem, in a second part, this article we describe how the series method is transformed to a multi-step scheme, the coefficients of which are calculated in a recurrent manner which permits formulation of a multi-step VSVO type scheme. Said scheme generalises the SMF method, the coefficients of which are not calculated using recurrences.

A computational algorithm is constructed on the multistep scheme which enables it to be implemented in a computer. Both the series method and the multi-step method are contrasted against other known integrators, comparing the results obtained with the exact solution to the test problems proposed.

The benefit produced by the use of the new algorithm is demonstrated when applied to the problems for which it has been designed.

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