9 Numerical Solutions of Ordinary Differential Equations

Solve $\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{F}(x, \mathbf{y}), \mathbf{y}(a) = \boldsymbol{\alpha}$

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$$y'' = f(x, y, y'), \quad y(a) = \alpha, \quad y(b) = \beta$$

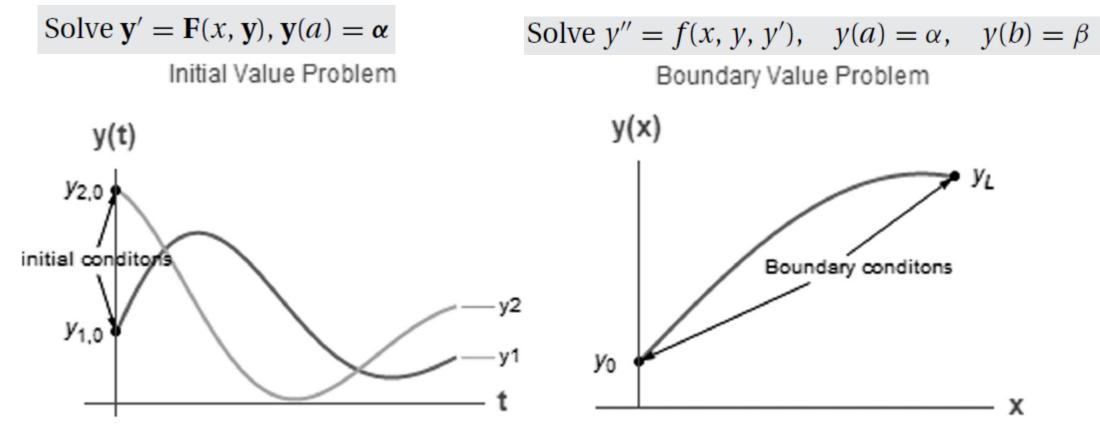
9.1 Classification of ODEs (Recall)

- An ordinary differential equation (ODE) is a differential equation where the dependent variable or variables depend on only one independent variable (usually *time* or *space*).
- Order of an ODE refers to the highest derivative or equivalently, to the number of simultaneous equations.
- ODEs can be classifed by the order of the equation as well as whether the system is *linear* or *nonlinear*.

	Linear	Nonlinear
First-order ODE	$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = a(t)\theta + b(t)$	$\frac{d\theta}{dt} = f(t,\theta)$
Second- order ODE	$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} + c_1 \frac{d\theta}{dt} + c_2 \theta = F(t)$ or $\frac{d\theta_1}{dt} = a_{11}\theta_1 + a_{12}\theta_2 + b_1$ $\frac{d\theta_2}{dt} = a_{21}\theta_1 + a_{22}\theta_2 + b_2$	$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} = f\left(t, \theta, \frac{d\theta}{dt}\right)$ or $\frac{d\theta_1}{dt} = f_1(t, \theta_1, \theta_2)$ $\frac{d\theta_2}{dt} = f_2(t, \theta_1, \theta_2)$
n th -order ODE	$\frac{d\theta_1}{dt} = a_{11}\theta_1 + a_{12}\theta_2 + \dots + a_{1n}\theta_n + b_1$ $\frac{d\theta_2}{dt} = a_{21}\theta_1 + a_{22}\theta_2 + \dots + a_{2n}\theta_n + b_2$ \vdots $\frac{d\theta_n}{dt} = a_{n1}\theta_1 + a_{n2}\theta_2 + \dots + a_{nn}\theta_n + b_n$	$\frac{d\theta_1}{dt} = f_1(t, \theta_1, \theta_2, \cdots, \theta_n)$ $\frac{d\theta_2}{dt} = f_2(t, \theta_1, \theta_2, \cdots, \theta_n)$ \vdots $\frac{d\theta_n}{dt} = f_n(t, \theta_1, \theta_2, \cdots, \theta_n)$

• An equation of the form $\frac{d\theta}{dt} = f(t, \theta)$ is non-autonomous, while $\frac{d\theta}{dt} = f(\theta)$ is autonomous.

9.1 Initial Value and Boundary Value Problems (Recall)



If all the conditions are specifed at the same value of the independent variable, then we have an initial value problem.

If conditions are known at different locations of the independent variable, then we have a boundary value problem

9.2 Taylor's Series Method

• Determine y(0.2) with the fourth-order Taylor series method

$$y' + 4y = x^2$$
 $y(0) = 1$

Also compute the estimated error and compare it with the actual error. The analytical solution of the differential equation is

$$y = \frac{31}{32}e^{-4x} + \frac{1}{4}x^2 - \frac{1}{8}x + \frac{1}{32}$$

%Exact Solution
syms
$$y(x)$$
 $S =$
eqn = diff(y,x) == x^2-4*y;
cond = y(0) == 1; $(31*exp(-4*x))/32 - x/8 + x^2/4 + 1/32$
 $S = dsolve(eqn,cond)$

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The Taylor series up to and including the term with h^4 is

$$y(h) = y(0) + y'(0)h + \frac{1}{2!}y''(0)h^2 + \frac{1}{3!}y'''(0)h^3 + \frac{1}{4!}y^{(4)}(0)h^4$$

$$y' = -4y + x^{2}$$

$$y'' = -4y' + 2x = 16y - 4x^{2} + 2x$$

$$y''(0) = -4(1) = -4$$

$$y''(0) = 16(1) = 16$$

$$y''(0) = -64(1) + 2 = -62$$

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$$y''(0) = 256(1) - 8 = 248$$

$$y(0.2) = 1 + (-4)(0.2) + \frac{1}{2!}(16)(0.2)^2 + \frac{1}{3!}(-62)(0.2)^3 + \frac{1}{4!}(248)(0.2)^4$$

= 0.4539

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$$y(0.2) = \frac{31}{32}e^{-4(0.2)} + \frac{1}{4}(0.2)^2 - \frac{1}{8}(0.2) + \frac{1}{32} = 0.4515$$

so that the actual error is 0.4515 - 0.4539 = -0.0024.

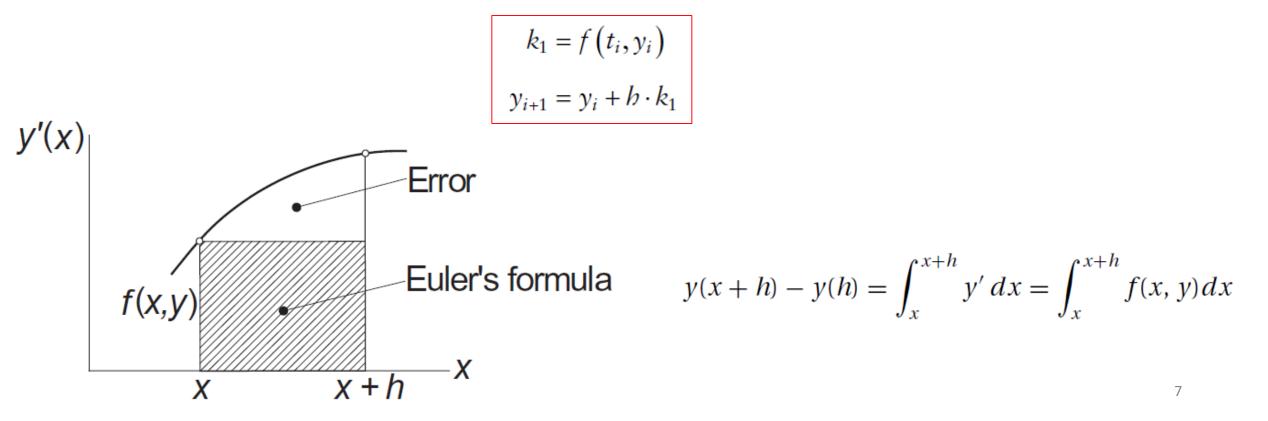
% Exact Solution syms y(x) a b eqn = diff(y,x) == -4*y+x^2; cond = [y(0)==a]; ySol(x) = dsolve(eqn,cond) vpa(subs(ySol(x),[a,x],[1,0.2]),4)

9.3 Runge-Kutta Methods (First-Order: Euler's Method)

- The aim of Runge–Kutta methods is to eliminate the need for repeated differentiation of the differential equations.
- Since no such differentiation is involved in the first-order Taylor series integration formula

$$\mathbf{y}(x+h) = \mathbf{y}(x) + \mathbf{y}'(x)h = \mathbf{y}(x) + \mathbf{F}(x, \mathbf{y})h$$

it can be considered as the first-order Runge–Kutta method; it is also called *Euler's method*.

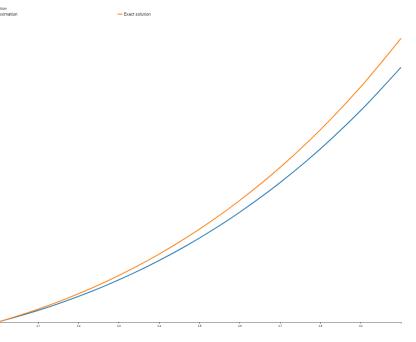


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$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$$
 If y(0)=1, Find y(1)

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n	x{n}	Approximation	f(x,y)	dy	y{n+1}	Exact solution	Absolute error
0	0	1	1	0.1	1.1	1	0
1	0.1	1.1	1.20	0.12	1.22	1.11	0.0103
2	0.2	1.22	1.42	0.14	1.36	1.24	0.0228
3	0.30	1.36	1.66	0.17	1.53	1.40	0.0377
4	0.4	1.53	1.93	0.19	1.72	1.58	0.0554
5	0.5	1.72	2.22	0.22	1.94	1.80	0.0764
6	0.6	1.94	2.54	0.25	2.20	2.04	0.1011
7	0.7	2.20	2.90	0.29	2.49	2.33	0.1301
8	0.80	2.49	3.29	0.33	2.82	2.65	0.1639
9	0.90	2.82	3.72	0.37	3.19	3.02	0.2033
10	1.00	3.19				3.44	0.2491



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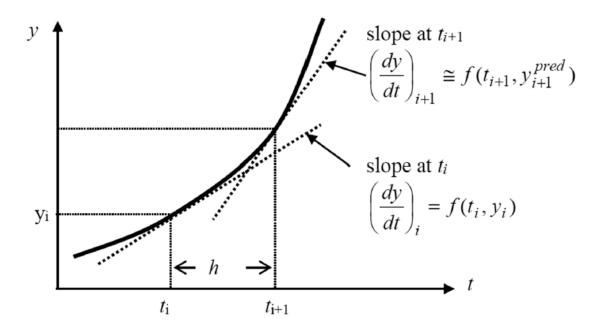
%Housekeeping clear; clc; close all;

%Exact Solution syms y(x) eqn = diff(y,x) == x+y; cond = y(0) == 1; S = dsolve(eqn,cond)

%Eulers Method (First Order) a=0;b=1;ya=1;N=10; euler_ode(a,b,ya,N) % Define Function function dydx=func(x,y) dydx=x+y; end

function E=euler_ode(a,b,ya,N)
h=(b-a)/N;
x(1)=a;
y(1)=ya;
for i=1:N
x(i+1)=x(i)+h;
y(i+1)=y(i)+h*func(x(i),y(i));
end
E=y(i+1);
end

9.3 Runge-Kutta Methods (Second-Order): Heun's Predictor-Corrector Method



$$k_{1} = f(t_{i}, y_{i})$$

$$k_{2} = f(t_{i} + h, y_{i} + hk_{1})$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_{i} + h\left(\frac{k_{1} + k_{2}}{2}\right)$$

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% Define Function function dydx=func(x,y) dydx=x+y;end function E=heun_ode(a,b,ya,N) h=(b-a)/N;x(1)=a;y(1) = ya;for i=1:Nk1 = func(x(i),y(i)); $k2 = func(x(i)+h,y(i)+h^*k1);$ x(i+1)=x(i)+h;y(i+1)=y(i)+0.5*h*(k1+k2);end E = y(i+1);end 11

9.3 Runge-Kutta Methods (2nd Order: Midpoint method)

Method	Discretizion of $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$	k _i 's
2 nd Order: Midpoint Method	$y_{i+1} = y_i + h \cdot k_2$	$k_{1} = f(t_{i}, y_{i})$ $k_{2} = f(t_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_{1})$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$$

If y(0)=1, Find y(1)

9.3 Runge-Kutta Methods (2nd Order: Ralston's method)

Method	Discretizion of $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$	k _i 's
2 nd Order: Ralston's Method	$y_{i+1} = y_i + h\left(\frac{1}{3}k_1 + \frac{2}{3}k_2\right)$	$k_{1} = f(t_{i}, y_{i})$ $k_{2} = f(t_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_{1})$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$$

If y(0)=1, Find y(1)

9.3 Runge-Kutta Methods (3rd Order)

Method	Discretizion of $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$	k _i 's
3 rd Order	$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 4k_2 + k_3)$	$k_{1} = f(t_{i}, y_{i})$ $k_{2} = f(t_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_{1})$
		$k_3 = f(t_i + h, y_i - h \cdot k_1 + 2h \cdot k_2)$

 $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$ If y(0)=1, Find y(1)

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	Method	Discretizion of $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$	k _i 's
	4 th Order	$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$	$k_{1} = f(t_{i}, y_{i})$ $k_{2} = f(t_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_{1})$
			$k_{3} = f(t_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_{2})$ $k_{4} = f(t_{i} + h, y_{i} + h \cdot k_{3})$
$\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$	If y(0)=1, Find	d y(1)	$k_4 = f(t_i + \bar{h}, y_i + h \cdot k_3)$

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function [xSol,ySol] = runKut4(dEqs,x,y,xStop,h)
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% 4th-order Runge--Kutta integration.

% USAGE: [xSol,ySol] = runKut4(dEqs,x,y,xStop,h) % INPUT:

% dEqs = handle of function that specifies the % 1st-order differential equations

% F(x,y) = [dy1/dx dy2/dx dy2/dx ...].

% x,y = initial values; y must be row vector. % xStop = terminal value of x.

% h = increment of x used in integration. % OUTPUT:

% xSol = x-values at which solution is computed. % ySol = values of y corresponding to the x-values.

% House Keeping clear; clc; close all; [x,y] = runKut4(@fn,0,1,1,0.05); printSol(x,y,0)

function F = fn(x,y)
F=x+y;
end

if size(y,1) > 1; y = y'; end % y must be row vector xSol = zeros(2,1); ySol = zeros(2,length(y));xSol(1) = x; ySol(1,:) = y;i = 1;while x < xStop i = i + 1;h = min(h,xStop - x); $K1 = h^{*}feval(dEqs,x,y);$ $K2 = h^{feval}(dEqs_{x} + h/2_{y} + K1/2);$ $K3 = h^{feval}(dEqs_{x} + h/2_{y} + K2/2);$ $K4 = h^{feval}(dEqs,x+h,y+K3);$ y = y + (K1 + 2*K2 + 2*K3 + K4)/6;x = x + h: xSol(i) = x; ySol(i,:) = y; % Store current soln. end

х	y1
0.0000	1.0000
1.0000	3.4366

9.3 Runge-Kutta Methods (MATLAB built-in)

$\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y, y(0) = 1$, y(1)=3.4366	(exact)
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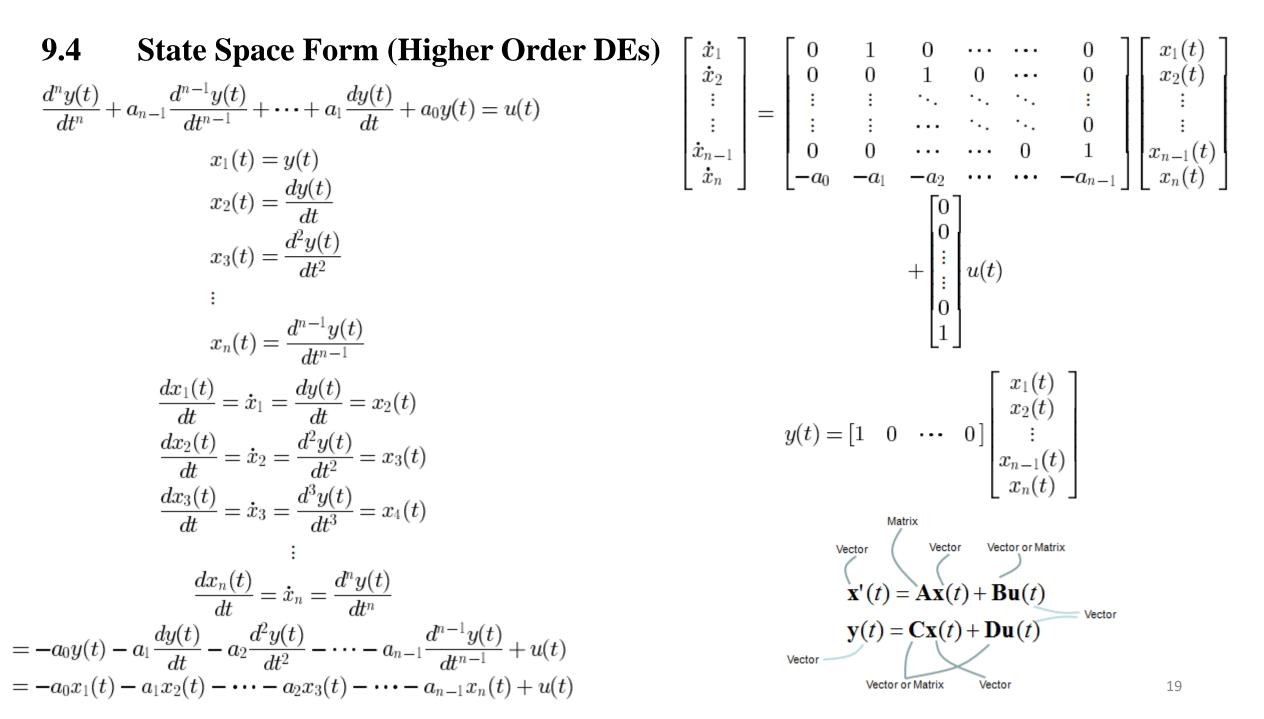
	x =
% House Keeping clear; clc; close all; [x, y] = ode45(@fn,[0:0.2:1],1) function $F = fn(x,y)$ F=x+y; end	0 0.2000 0.4000 0.6000 0.8000 1.0000
	y = 1.0000 1.2428 1.5836 2.0442 2.6511 3.4366

Method	Discretizion of $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$	k _i 's
1 st Order:	$y_{i+1} = y_i + h \cdot k_1$	$k_1 = f(t_i, y_i)$
Euler Method		
2 nd Order:	$y_{i+1} = y_i + h \frac{k_1 + k_2}{2}$	$k_1 = f(t_i, y_i)$
Heun Method	$y_{i+1} = y_i + h \frac{1}{2}$	$k_2 = f(t_i + h, y_i + h \cdot k_1)$
2 nd Order:	$y_{i+1} = y_i + h \cdot k_2$	$k_1 = f(t_i, y_i)$
Midpoint Method		$k_2 = f(t_i + \frac{1}{2}h, y_i + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_1)$
2 nd Order:	(1, 2)	$k_1 = f(t_i, y_i)$
Ralston's Method	$y_{i+1} = y_i + h\left(\frac{1}{3}k_1 + \frac{2}{3}k_2\right)$	$k_2 = f(t_i + \frac{1}{2}h, y_i + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_1)$
3 rd Order	$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 4k_2 + k_3)$	$k_1 = f(t_i, y_i)$
	$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{1}{6}(\kappa_1 + 4\kappa_2 + \kappa_3)$	$k_2 = f(t_i + \frac{1}{2}h, y_i + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_1)$
		$k_3 = f(t_i + h, y_i - h \cdot k_1 + 2h \cdot k_2)$
4 th Order	h ($k_1 = f(t_i, y_i)$
	$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$	$k_{1} = f(t_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_{1})$ $k_{3} = f(t_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_{2})$
		$k_3 = f(t_i + \frac{1}{2}h, y_i + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_2)$
		$k_4 = f(t_i + h, y_i + h \cdot k_3)$

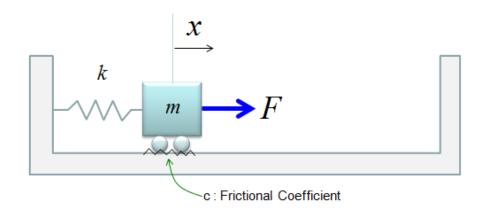
9.3 Runge-Kutta Methods (Higher-Order)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$$
, y(0)=1, y(1)=3.4366 (exact)

Method	y(1)
Euler	3.1875
Heun	3.4282
Midpoint	3.4282
Ralson	3.3468
3 rd Order	3.4364
4 th Order	3.4366
ode45	3.4366

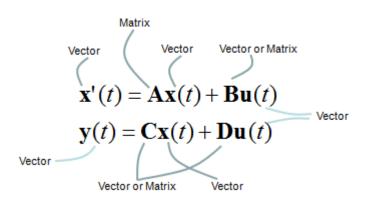


9.4 State Space Form (Higher Order DEs)



$$n.\ddot{y} + c.\dot{y} + k.y = F$$
$$x_1 = y$$
$$x_2 = \dot{y}$$

Y



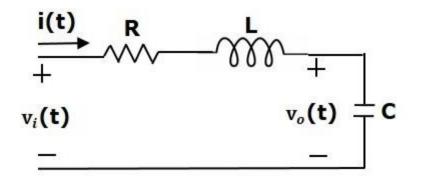
$$\dot{x_1} = x_2$$

$$\dot{x_2} = \frac{1}{m} \left(F - c \cdot x_2 - k \cdot x_1 \right)$$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x_1} \\ \dot{x_2} \end{cases} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{k}{m} & -\frac{c}{m} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{cases} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{cases} + \begin{cases} 0 \\ \frac{F}{m} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 \rbrace = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{cases} + (0)F$$

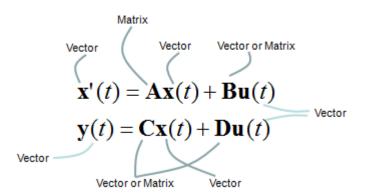
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$$\ddot{i} + \frac{R}{L}.\dot{i} + \frac{1}{L.C}.i = \frac{1}{L.C}.u$$

$$\begin{array}{c} x_1 = i \\ x_2 = \dot{i} \end{array}$$

$$\dot{x_1} = x_2 \dot{x_2} = \left(-\frac{R}{L}.x_2 - \frac{1}{L.C}.x_1 + \frac{1}{L.C}.u\right)$$



$$\begin{cases} \dot{x_1} \\ \dot{x_2} \end{cases} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{1}{L.C} & -\frac{R}{L} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{cases} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{cases} + \begin{cases} 0 \\ \frac{1}{L.C} \end{cases} \cdot u$$
$$\{x_1\} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{cases} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{cases} + (0).u$$

9.4 Higher order ODES: Runge-Kutta Methods (4th Order)

Method	Discretizion of $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$	k _i 's
4 th Order	$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$	$k_{1} = f(t_{i}, y_{i})$ $k_{2} = f(t_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_{1})$
		$k_{3} = f(t_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_{2})$ $k_{4} = f(t_{i} + h, y_{i} + h \cdot k_{3})$

Solve:

 $y^{\prime\prime} = -0.1y^{\prime} - x$

y(0)=1 & y'(0)=1

from x = 0 to 2 in increments of h = 0.25 with the fourth-order Runge–Kutta method

0/ House Versing	Х	y1	y2
% House Keeping	0.0000	1.0000	1.0000
clear; clc; close all;	0.2500	1.2443	0.9443
[x,y] = runKut4(@fn,0,[1 1],2,0.25);	0.5000	1.4671	0.8283
printSol(x,y,1)	0.7500	1.6536	0.6534
	1.0000	1.7890	0.4211
function $F = fn(x,y)$	1.2500	1.8594	0.1328
F = zeros(1,2);	1.5000	1.8509	-0.2101
F(1) = y(2); F(2) = -0.1*y(2) - x;	1.7500	1.7500	-0.6062
end	2.0000	1.5434	-1.0543

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9.4 Higher order ODES: MATLAB built-in

Method	Discretizion of $\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y)$	k _i 's
4 th Order	$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$	$k_{1} = f(t_{i}, y_{i})$ $k_{2} = f(t_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_{1})$
		$k_{3} = f(t_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h, y_{i} + \frac{1}{2}h \cdot k_{2})$ $k_{4} = f(t_{i} + h, y_{i} + h \cdot k_{3})$

Solve:

 $y^{\prime\prime} = -0.1y^{\prime} - x$

y(0)=1 & y'(0)=1

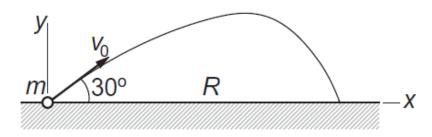
% House Keeping clear; clc; close all; [x, y] = ode45(@fn,[0:0.25:2],[1; 1])

function F = fn(x,y) F = zeros(2,1); F(1) = y(2); F(2) = -0.1*y(2) - x;end

y =

1.0000	1.0000
1.2443	0.9443
1.4671	0.8283
1.6536	0.6534
1.7890	0.4211
1.8594	0.1328
1.8509	-0.2101
1.7500	-0.6062
1.5434	-1.0543

9.4 Example



A ball of mass m = 0.25 kg is launched with the velocity $v_0 = 50$ m/s in the direction shown. Assuming that the aerodynamic drag force acting on the ball is $F_D = C_D v^{3/2}$, the differential equations describing the motion are

$$\ddot{x} = -\frac{C_D}{m} \dot{x} v^{1/2}$$
 $\ddot{y} = -\frac{C_D}{m} \dot{y} v^{1/2} - g$

where $v = \sqrt{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}$. Determine the time of flight and the range *R*. Use $C_D = 0.03 \text{ kg}/(\text{m}\cdot\text{s})^{1/2}$ and $g = 9.80665 \text{ m/s}^2$.

Letting

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ \dot{x} \\ y \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

the first-order differential equations are

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{y}_1 \\ \dot{y}_2 \\ \dot{y}_3 \\ \dot{y}_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_2 \\ -(C_D/m)y_2v^{1/2} \\ y_4 \\ -(C_D/m)y_4v^{1/2} - g \end{bmatrix}$$

% House Keeping clear; clc; close all;

% Define known quantities g=9.80665; CD=0.03; m=0.25;

% Specify the initial conditions and time span y0=[0;50*cosd(30);0;50*sind(30)]; tspan=[0:0.2:8];

% Call ode45 [t,y] = ode45(@(t,y) fn(t,y,g,CD,m), tspan, y0);

% Find the flight time and range using spline interpolation and root % solving

% Define function function F = fn(t,x,g,CD,m) F = zeros(4,1); F(1) = x(2); $F(2) = -(CD/m)*x(2)*(x(2)^2+x(4)^2)^0.25;$ F(3) = x(4); $F(4) = -(CD/m)*x(4)*(x(2)^2+x(4)^2)^0.25-g;$ end

9.5 Implicit versus Explicit Schemes

- The Euler scheme and other versions of the Runge-Kutta method are plagued by stability problems—that is, for a time step that is too large, nonphysical oscillations occur in the solutions. The implicit method is often used to avoid these problems. $\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t} = -a.y$
- Euler's scheme:

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h.f(t_i, y_i)$$
$$\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t}\right)_i = f(t_i, y_i)$$

Implicit scheme:

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h.f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1}) \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}t}\right)_{i+1} = f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1})$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h.f(t_i, y_i)$$

$$y_{i+1} = (1 - a.h)y_i$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h.f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1})$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i - a.h.y_{i+1}$$

$$y_{i+1} = \frac{y_i}{1 + a.h}$$

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