

# Numerical solutions to ordinary differential equations

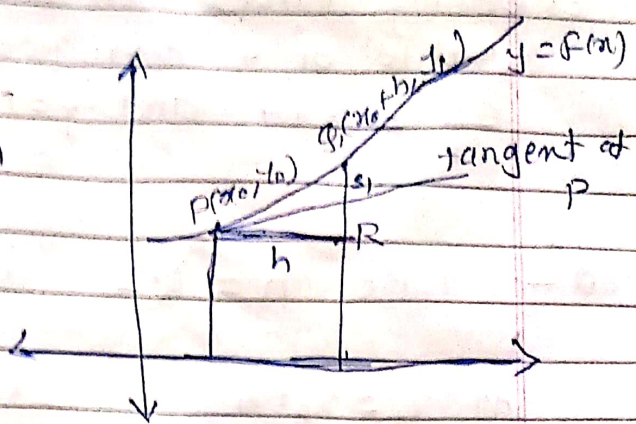
\* Euler's Method  
consider the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y) \text{ with}$$

initial condition

$$x = x_0 \text{ and } y = y_0$$

Let solution of the differential eqn be  $y = f(x)$  (curve). P be any point  $P(x_0, y_0)$  now we have to find the ordinate at point  $Q(x_0 + h, y_1)$ . Let tangent at P makes an angle  $\theta$  with x-axis. therefore



$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \tan \theta$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{S_1R}{PR}$$

$$S_1R = PR \cdot \tan \theta$$

take approximately  $S_1R \cong Q_1R$ .

$$\therefore Q_1R \cong PR \cdot \tan \theta$$

$$y_1 - y_0 = h \cdot \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right)_{(x_0, y_0)}$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + h \cdot f(x_0, y_0)$$

By we get

$$y_2 = y_1 + h \cdot f(x_1, y_1)$$

$$y_n = y_{n-1} + h \cdot f(x_{n-1}, y_{n-1})$$

Ex<sup>o</sup> Using Euler's method find an approximate value of  $y$  corresponding to  $x=1$  given  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x+y$  and  $y=1$  when  $x=0$

Sol<sup>n</sup>: Take  $h=0.2$  i.e.  $h = \frac{x-x_0}{5} = \frac{1-0}{5} = 0.2$

$$\text{At } x_1 = x_0 + h \quad x_0 = 0 \quad y_0 = 1 \\ = 0 + 0.2 = 0.2$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + h \cdot f(x_0, y_0) = 1 + 0.2(0+1) \\ = 1.2$$

$$y_2 = y_1 + h \cdot f(x_1, y_1)$$

$$\text{Now } f(x_1, y_1) = x_1 + y_1 = 0.2 + 1.2 = 1.4$$

$$\therefore \text{ at } x_2 = 0.4 \quad y_2 = y_1 + h \cdot f(x_1, y_1) \\ = 1.2 + 0.2(1.4) = 1.48$$

$$\therefore f(x_2, y_2) = x_2 + y_2 = 0.4 + 1.48 = 1.88$$

$$\text{At } x_3 = 0.6 \quad y_3 = y_2 + h \cdot f(x_2, y_2) \\ = 1.48 + 0.2(1.88) = 1.856$$

$$\text{Now } f(x_3, y_3) = x_3 + y_3 = 0.6 + 1.856 \\ = 2.456$$

$$\text{At } x_4 = 0.8 \quad y_4 = y_3 + h \cdot f(x_3, y_3) \\ = 1.856 + 0.2(2.456) \\ = 2.3472$$



$$\therefore f(x_4, y_4) = x_4 + y_4 = 0.8 + 2.3472 = 3.1472$$

$$\therefore \text{At } x_5 = 1 \quad y_5 = y_4 + h \cdot f(x_4, y_4) \\ = 2.3472 + 0.2(3.1472) \\ = 2.37664$$

Ex: Use Euler's method to find an approximate value of  $y$  correct to 4 decimal places for  $x=0.1$  given  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x - y^2$  and  $x=0, y=1$

Take  $h = 0.02$

Sol<sup>n</sup>: Here  $h$  is given  $h = 0.02$   
or  $h = \frac{0.1 - 0}{5} = 0.02$

$$x_0 = 0, y_0 = 1$$

$$f(x, y) = x - y^2 \quad f(x_0, y_0) = x_0 - y_0^2 = 0 - 1^2 = -1$$

$$\therefore \text{At } x_1 = x_0 + h = 0.02 \quad y_1 = y_0 + h \cdot f(x_0, y_0) \\ = 1 + 0.02(-1) = 0.98$$

$$\text{Now } f(x_1, y_1) = x_1 - y_1^2 = 0.02 - (0.98)^2 = -0.9404$$

$$\text{At } x_2 = x_1 + h = 0.02 + 0.02 = 0.04 \\ y_2 = y_1 + h \cdot f(x_1, y_1) \\ = 0.98 + 0.02(-0.9404) \\ = 0.9612$$

$$\text{Now } f(x_2, y_2) = x_2 - y_2^2 = 0.04 - (0.9612)^2 \\ = -0.8839$$

$$\text{At } x_3 = 0.06 \quad y_3 = y_2 + h f(x_2, y_2)$$

$$= 0.9612 + (0.02)(-0.8839)$$

$$= 0.9435$$

$$f(x_3, y_3) = x_3 - y_3^2 = 0.06 - (0.9435)^2$$

$$= -0.8302$$

$$\text{At } x_4 = 0.08, \quad y_4 = y_3 + h f(x_3, y_3)$$

$$= 0.9435 + (0.02)(-0.8302)$$

$$= 0.9269$$

$$f(x_4, y_4) = x_4 - y_4^2 = 0.08 - (0.9269)^2 = -0.7791$$

$$\text{At } x_5 = 0.10 \quad y_5 = y_4 + h f(x_4, y_4)$$

$$= 0.9269 + 0.02(-0.7791)$$

$$= 0.9113$$

This is approximate value of  $y$  at  $x=0.1$

~~dy~~ ~~dx~~

EX(3) Using Euler's method find the approximate value of  $y$  where  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + \sqrt{y}$   $y(2) = 4$

taking  $h = 0.2$  at  $x = 3$

sol<sup>n</sup> Let  $h = 0.2$ ,  $x_0 = 2$ ,  $y_0 = 4$

$$f(x_0, y_0) = x_0 + \sqrt{y_0} = 2 + \sqrt{4}$$

$$= 4$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{At } x_1 &= x_0 + h \\ &= 2 + 0.2 \\ &= 2.2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= y_0 + h \cdot f(x_0, y_0) \\ &= 4 + 0.2 \times 4 = 4 + 0.8 = 4.8 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(x_1, y_1) = x_1 + \sqrt{y_1} = 2.2 + \sqrt{4.8} = 4.3908$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{At } x_2 &= x_1 + h \\ &= 2.2 + 0.2 \\ &= 2.4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_2 &= y_1 + h \cdot f(x_1, y_1) \\ &= 4.8 + 0.2 \times 4.3908 \\ &= 5.6781 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_2, y_2) &= x_2 + \sqrt{y_2} = 2.4 + \sqrt{5.6781} \\ &= 4.7828 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{At } x_3 &= x_2 + h \\ &= 2.4 + 0.2 \\ &= 2.6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_3 &= y_2 + h \cdot f(x_2, y_2) \\ &= 5.6781 + 0.2 \times 4.7828 \\ &= 5.6781 + 0.9565 = 6.63466 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_3, y_3) &= x_3 + \sqrt{y_3} = 2.6 + \sqrt{6.63466} \\ &= 5.1757 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{At } x_4 = 2.8$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_4 &= y_3 + h \cdot f(x_3, y_3) \\ &= 6.63466 + 0.2 \times 5.1757 \\ &= 7.6698 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(x_4, y_4) = x_4 + \sqrt{y_4} = 2.8 + \sqrt{7.6698} = 5.56944$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{At } x_5 &= 3 \quad y_5 = y_4 + h \cdot f(x_4, y_4) \\ &= 7.6698 + 0.2 \times 5.56944 \\ &= 8.7836 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Approximate value at  $x=3$  is 8.7836