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Question:

Plot a solution to the following differential equation:

$$y' + 5y = 0$$

Solution:

To plot a curve in the solution family, we take the initial condition to be

$$x_0 = 0, y_0 = 1$$

Using Euler's Method, we represent the differential equation in the following difference equations:

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + h \quad (0.1)$$

$$y_{n+1} - y_n + 5hy_n = 0 \rightarrow y_{n+1} = y_n - 5hy_n \quad (0.2)$$

We can get the solution to the difference equation in y using the unilateral Z-transform. Applying the unilateral Z-transform to both sides of equation, (representing transform of y_n with $Y(z)$)

$$Y(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} y_n z^{-n} \quad (0.3)$$

$$(0.4)$$

Therefore,

$$zY(z) - zy_0 = (1 - 5h)Y(z) \quad (0.5)$$

$$\rightarrow Y(z)(z - (1 - 5h)) = zy_0 \quad (0.6)$$

$$Y(z) = \frac{zy_0}{z - (1 - 5h)} \quad (0.7)$$

$$(0.8)$$

Applying Inverse Z-transform, we notice

For the signal $x[n] = \alpha^n u(n)$, ($u[n]$ being the unit step signal)

$$X(\alpha^n u[n]) = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha z^{-1}}, \text{ provided } |z| < |\alpha| \quad (0.9)$$

$$(0.10)$$

On comparison, $\alpha = (1 - 5h)$, so the solution for y_n is:

$$y_n = y_0 (1 - 5h)^n \quad (0.11)$$

$$(0.12)$$

Substituting $y_0 = 1$,

$$y_n = (1 - 5h)^n \quad (0.13)$$

$$(0.14)$$

Now we can iteratively generate points which lie close to the graph.

To check how close the approximate graph is to the actual solution, we will solve the original equation using a Laplace Transform method:

Let $\mathcal{L}(y) = Y$

$$(sY - y_0) + 5Y = 0 \quad (0.15)$$

$$(s + 5)Y = y_0 \quad (0.16)$$

$$Y = \frac{1}{s + 5} \quad (0.17)$$

$$(0.18)$$

Substituting $y_0 = 1$,

$$Y = \frac{1}{s + 5} \quad (0.19)$$

$$(0.20)$$

Now, we take the inverse laplace transform to get a solution,

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s + 5}\right) = e^{-5x} \quad (0.21)$$

For the following approximate graph, I chose $h = 0.01$ and $h = 0.1$.

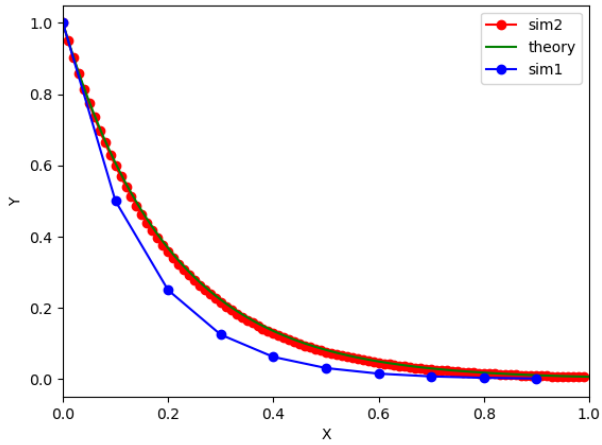


Fig. 0.1: Approximate solution of the DE