

Quiz (VI)

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Create a matlab script and change the filename to F7xxxxxxx_quiz6.m. Link all the programs solving following problems to this script. Make sure once type the filename 'F7xxxxxxx_quiz6', the results of the following problems will pop-up automatically in order. For the written answers, type them done in a text file named "F7xxxxxxx_quiz6.txt". Remember not to type any 'clear all', 'close all' command in any of the codes.

1. [F7xxxxxxx_quiz6_prob1.m]

Solve the given ODE:

$$\frac{d}{dt} y(t) = 3 - 0.5y(t) \text{ or } y'(t) = 3 - 0.5y(t)$$

- (a) Plot $y(t)$ from $t = 0$ to 20 . Remember to put on axis label " t " and " $y(t)$ ".
- (b) Which method was used to solve the ODE? What was the step size h for (a)?
- (c) Write down and print out the value of $y(2)$ with appropriate significant digits.
[Print: "Problem 1: $y(2) = x.xxx$ "]
- (d) How do you judge the precision of (c)?

2. [F7xxxxxxx_quiz6_prob2.m] The vertical motion of any object near the Earth's surface can be

expressed by the equation of motion : $\frac{d^2}{dt^2} y(t) = -g = -9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$. If an object was thrown up from $y(0) = 1.5\text{m}$ with the velocity $y'(0) = 20\text{m/s}$, solve the trajectory.

- (a) Plot $y(t)$ from $t = 0$ to $t = 10\text{s}$. Remember to put on axis label " t " and " $y(t)$ ".
- (b) Which method was used to solve the ODE? What was the step size h for (a)?
- (c) Write down and print out the value of $y(3)$ with appropriate significant digits.
[Print: "Problem 2: $y(3) = x.xxx$ "]
- (d) How do you judge the precision of (c)?
- (e) When will the object fall down to 0m ? Write down the answer based on the numerical solution with appropriate significant digits. AND explain how you determine the precision.

3. {Bonus} [F7xxxxxxx_quiz6_prob3.m]

Suppose in a closed eco-system, where no migration is allowed to get in or out, there are two species of animals: the wolf and the rabbit. They form a simple food chain that the wolf hunts the rabbit, and the rabbit feeds on grass. The size of the two populations can be described by a simple system of two non-linear 1st order differential equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt} r(t) = (a r(t) - br(t)^2) - \alpha r(t)w(t);$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} w(t) = -c w(t) + \gamma r(t)w(t);$$

, where $w(t)$ and $r(t)$ denotes the population of the wolf and the rabbit respectively. The other parameters reflect the birth rate, death rate and the food-chain dependency of the two species.

In the following simulation, set $a = 0.5$, $b = 0.001$, $c = 0.4$, $\alpha = 0.02$, and $\gamma = 0.004$, then run the simulation with the specific initial conditions

- At the beginning, there are only 100 rabbits. Plot growing curve of the population and explain the phenomena.
- At the beginning, there are only 100 wolfs. Plot growing curve of the population and explain the phenomena.
- At the beginning, there are 100 rabbits and 6 wolfs. Plot growing curve of the population and explain the phenomena. Will the system become stable?
- At the beginning, there are 100 rabbits and 600 wolfs. Plot growing curve of the population and explain the phenomena.

4. {Bonus} [F7xxxxxxx_quiz6_prob4.m]

The circuit shown in the figure consists of a DC power source (5V), a capacitor ($20\mu F$) and a resistor ($50k\Omega$). The loop equation of this circuit can be described as $\mathcal{E} - CR \frac{dV_c(t)}{dt} - V_c(t) = 0$.

Suppose the voltage of the capacitor before $t = 0$ is 0.5V.

- Plot the temporal change of the voltage of the capacitor. Which method do you use to solve $V_c(t)$?
- What is the capacitor's voltage at $t = 0.5$ sec? What is the precision of the answer and what step size do you use? (The precision should be at least 3 significant digits)
- How long does it take for the capacitor's voltage to charge up to 3.5V? (The precision should be at least 3 significant digits)

