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QUESTION :

For the differential equation, $x(x^2-1)\frac{dy}{dx} = 1$, find the particular solution given that $y(2) = 0$.

SOLUTION :

Theoretical :

Consider the given equation,

$$x(x^2 - 1)\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 \quad (0.1)$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{x(x^2 - 1)} \quad (0.2)$$

$$y(2) = 0 \quad (0.3)$$

By the method of **Partial fractions**, we have

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x-1} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x+1} \right) - \frac{1}{x} \quad (0.4)$$

Integrating (0.4) on both the sides, we have

$$\int dy = \int \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x-1} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x+1} \right) - \frac{1}{x} \right) dx \quad (0.5)$$

$$y = \frac{1}{2} \log |x-1| + \frac{1}{2} \log |x+1| - \log |x| + \log c \quad (0.6)$$

$$y = \log \left(\frac{c \sqrt{x^2-1}}{x} \right) \quad (0.7)$$

Substituting the initial conditions in (0.3), we have

$$0 = \log \left(\frac{c \sqrt{2^2-1}}{2} \right) \quad (0.8)$$

$$c = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \quad (0.9)$$

Hence, the required particular solution becomes

$$y = \log \left(\frac{2 \sqrt{x^2-1}}{\sqrt{3}x} \right) \quad (0.10)$$

Simulation :

1) For a general interval, say $[a, b]$, split up the intervals into n parts such that

$$h = \frac{b - a}{n} \quad (1.1)$$

2) Consider the points

$$x_0 = a \quad (2.1)$$

$$x_n = b \quad (2.2)$$

$$x_{i+1} = x_i + h \quad (2.3)$$

3) **Trapezoid rule :**

Summing the areas of the trapezoids formed, we have

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x(x^2 - 1)} \quad (3.1)$$

$$A \approx \frac{h}{2} ((f(x_0) + f(x_1)) + (f(x_1) + f(x_2)) + \cdots + (f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n))) \quad (3.2)$$

$$A \approx \frac{h}{2} \left(f(x_0) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} f(x_i) + f(x_n) \right) \quad (3.3)$$

4) To set up the difference equation, we integrate the equation (0.2) from $n - 1$ to n .

$$a = n - 1 \quad (4.1)$$

$$b = n \quad (4.2)$$

On further simplifying the equation (3.3), we have

$$y_{n+1} - y_n = (x_{n+1} - x_n) \left(\frac{f(x_n)}{2} + \frac{f(x_{n+1})}{2} \right) \quad (4.3)$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + (x_{n+1} - x_n) \left(\frac{f(x_n)}{2} + \frac{f(x_{n+1})}{2} \right) \quad (4.4)$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{(x_{n+1} - x_n)}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x_n(x_n^2 - 1)} + \frac{1}{x_{n+1}(x_{n+1}^2 - 1)} \right) \quad (4.5)$$

which is the required difference equation.

5) Taking $x_0 = 2$ and $y_0 = 0$ and iterating (4.5), we can obtain the other points. The theoretical and simulation graph are shown below.

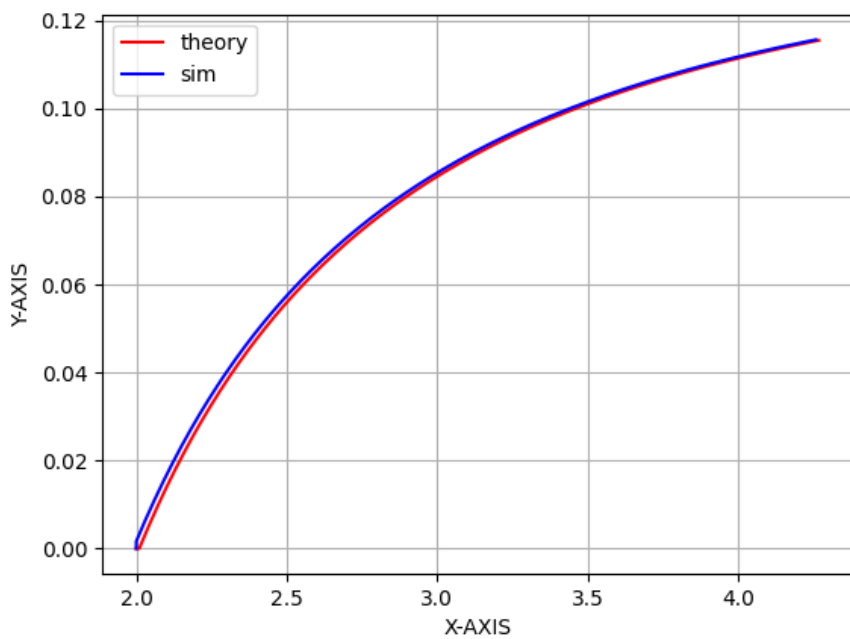


Fig. 5.1: Plot of the given question.