Lecture8

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1 Lecture 8: The shooting method for BVP's

Overview: * Root finding and boundary value problems. **Next Lecture:** * Shoot and Matching, 1D Schrodinger eqn.

1.0.1 Tasks

• Does the solution for the launch angle depend on the initial bracketing window for your

- Can you extend this code to handle the case with air resistance?
- Does the addition of air resistance result in any other complications for the root finder?

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In [1]: %matplotlib notebook
        import numpy as np, matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        from numpy import pi
        import Particle3D as pt
In [64]: def bisect(f, bracket, target, v, Cd, tol = 1.e-6):
             """ find the root of a function f using bisection
             a and b are low and high bracket limits
             v is a velocity
             Cd is a drag coefficent """
             a = bracket[0]
             b = bracket[1]
             fa = f(a, target, v, Cd)
             fb = f(b,target, v, Cd)
             gap = abs(a - b)
             if fa == None :
                 return
             if fb == None :
                 return
             if (fa*fb > 0.0):
                 print('Bisection error: no root bracketed')
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return None
    elif fa == 0.0: return a
    elif fb == 0.0: return b
    while(True):
        xmid = 0.5*(a+b)
        fmid = f(xmid, target, v, Cd)
        if (fa*fmid > 0.0):
            a, fa = xmid, fmid
        else :b = xmid
        if (fmid == 0.0 or abs (b-a) < tol*gap): break</pre>
    return xmid
# the root of ft give the total time to reach target
def ft(t,target, V,Cd):
    # when air resistance is included you must define another function
    # to find tfo
    p = pt.Projectile(tf = t,z0 = 0, u0 = V[0], v0 = V[1], w0 = V[2], Cd = Cd)
    for ii in range(p.npoints):
        p.RK4_step()
    return p.x[1] - target[0]
# the root of fy is our solution
def fy(theta, target, v0, Cd):
    # only working in two dimensions (y,z) for now,.
    V = [0, v0*np.cos(theta), v0*np.sin(theta)]
    # if there is no drag, tf is easy to calculate analytically
    # with drag we must integrate and use a root finder to locate tf
    t = (target[0]/V[1])
    t_bracket = [0, t+1]
    tf = bisect(ft, t_bracket , target, V, Cd)
    print(tf)
    # check if we can make the range
    if tf == None:
        print('Initial velocity will not cover range')
        return None
    nsteps = 100
    dt = tf/nsteps
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p = pt.Projectile(tf = tf, z0 = 0, v0 = V[0], u0 = V[1], w0 = V[2], dt = dt, Cd =
for ii in range(nsteps):
    p.RK4_step()

print("y(tf) = ", p.x[2])
return p.x[2] - target[1]
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• Change parameters and find launch angle below

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In [68]: v0 = 300 \#initial \ launch \ speed
         xb = 80 # x coordinate of target
         yb = 0.3 # y coordinate of target
         Cd = 0.01 # drag coefficient, you must edit ft and fy above to work for non-zero Cd
         theta_bracket = [0.01,1.1] # in radians
         # find the launch angle
         # it would be more efficient to first check if we bracket the root before trying a fu
         # bisection search
         theta = bisect(fy, theta_bracket, [xb, yb], v0, Cd)
         # only make a plot if we can hit our target
         if (theta != None):
             print("theta = ", theta*180/pi)
             # max time for plotting purposes
             t_max = xb/(v0*np.cos(theta))
             fig = plt.figure()
             ax = fig.add_subplot(111)
             # plot the trajectory
             V = [0, v0*np.cos(theta), v0*np.sin(theta)]
             p = pt.Projectile(tf = t_max*2, z0 = 0, u0 = V[0], v0 = V[1], w0 = V[2], dt = 0.0
             p.scipy_trajectory()
             ax.plot(p.xv[:,1], p.xv[:,2])
             # plot the target position
             ax.vlines(xb, 0 , yb)
             ax.plot(xb, yb, marker ='o', ls = 'None', color = 'r', label = 'Target')
             ax.set_xlabel('x (m)')
             ax.set_ylabel('y (m)')
             ax.legend()
             plt.show()
0.4090010781746921
y(tf) = 0.12877764972640104
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1.5730010267488246
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y(tf) = 149.41448987385374

0.521000214994105

y(tf) = 48.64908504446037

0.4340008917909762

y(tf) = 22.536314535832563

0.41499886536979963

y(tf) = 11.128173413257382

0.4110008354140132

y(tf) = 5.622628488892405

0.4100011013515018

y(tf) = 2.887991089718031

0.40899924623017947

y(tf) = 1.5221023428114608

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y(tf) = 0.8400777165688775

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y(tf) = 0.4935384164573972

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y(tf) = 0.3146759148393132

0.40899962758187225

y(tf) = 0.2228276816346869

0.4090001468819192

y(tf) = 0.26899425951833356

0.40900041568132717

y(tf) = 0.29189176535471567

0.4090005523684186

y(tf) = 0.30329932921478275

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y(tf) = 0.2975984545787957

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y(tf) = 0.30044889229840904

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y(tf) = 0.2990236735389076

0.40900050948989114

y(tf) = 0.2997362829437471

0.4090005137710425

y(tf) = 0.30009258762735197

0.4090005116302806

y(tf) = 0.29991443528711803

0.409000512700615

y(tf) = 0.300003511457627

theta = 0.6851078620570318

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