

3 Assignment 3

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Consider the following ODE:

$$\dot{x} = -x \tag{1}$$

The general form for the Backward Euler Approximation Method is:

$$\hat{x}_{k+1} = \hat{x}_k + Tf(\hat{x}_{k+1}) \tag{2}$$

Plugging in $f(x) = -x$ and substituting x_k for \hat{x}_k (assuming we are given an exact x_k), we get:

$$\hat{x}_{k+1} = x_k - T\hat{x}_{k+1} \tag{3}$$

as our implicit update function for finding \hat{x}_{k+1} given x_k .