

## Approximating solution to Initial Value Problems using the Runge Kutta Method

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rkmethod[a0_, b0_, b_, m0_, f] := Module[{a = a0, y0 = b0, j, m = m0}, h =  $\frac{b - a}{m}$ ;
  x = Table[a + (j - 1) * h, {j, 1, m + 1}];
  y = Table[y0, {j, 1, m + 1}];
  i = Table[j, {j, 0, m}];
  For[j = 1, j ≤ m, j++, k1 = h f[x[[j]], y[[j]]];
    k2 = h f[x[[j]] +  $\frac{1}{2}$  h, y[[j]] +  $\frac{1}{2}$  k1];
    k3 = h f[x[[j]] +  $\frac{1}{2}$  h, y[[j]] +  $\frac{1}{2}$  k2];
    k4 = h f[x[[j]] + h, y[[j]] + k3];
    k =  $\frac{k1 + 2 k2 + 2 k3 + k4}{6}$ ;
    y[[j + 1]] = y[[j]] + k];
  Return[
    TableForm[
      Table[Transpose[{N[i], N[x], N[y]}]],
      TableHeadings → {{}, {"i", "x", "y"}}]]];
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1.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + \frac{y}{x}$ ,  $1 \leq x \leq 6$ ,  $y[1] = 1$ . Find  $y[6]$ .

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f[x_, y_] := 1 +  $\frac{y}{x}$ 
rkmethod[1, 1, 6, 20, f]
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i	x	y
0.	1.	1.
1.	1.25	1.52891
2.	1.5	2.10816
3.	1.75	2.72928
4.	2.	3.38624
5.	2.25	4.07453
6.	2.5	4.79066
7.	2.75	5.53183
8.	3.	6.29575
9.	3.25	7.08054
10.	3.5	7.88457
11.	3.75	8.70648
12.	4.	9.54507
13.	4.25	10.3993
14.	4.5	11.2682
15.	4.75	12.1511
16.	5.	13.0471
17.	5.25	13.9556
18.	5.5	14.876
19.	5.75	15.8077
20.	6.	16.7504

2.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{y} x$ ,  $2 \leq x \leq 3$ ,  $y[2] = 4$ . Find  $y[3]$ .

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f[x_, y_] :=  $\sqrt{y}$  x
rkmethod[2, 4, 3, 5, f]
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i	x	y
0.	2.	4.
1.	2.2	4.8841
2.	2.4	5.95359
3.	2.6	7.23609
4.	2.8	8.76158
5.	3.	10.5625