

# ***Computational Practicum Report***

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**Objective:** *Implementation of Euler, Improved Euler and Runge Kutta method for the given variant and comparison of error between them plotted in graph with capability of providing desired number of grids.*

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**Variant 3:**  $y' = \frac{4}{x^2} - \frac{y}{x} - y^2$

Or,  $y' + y^2 + \frac{y}{x} = \frac{4}{x^2}$

To solve this task we will use the Riccati approach of differential equations.

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**General Riccati Equation:** *The Riccati equation is one of the most interesting nonlinear differential equations of first order. It is written in the form:*

$$y' = a(x) * y + b(x) * y^2 + c(x),$$

Where  $a(x)$ ,  $b(x)$ ,  $c(x)$  are continuous functions of  $x$ .

To solve such kind of equation we must intuitively seek the particular solution and proceed, in our case we get the particular solution in the form:

$$y = \frac{c}{x} \quad \text{Which implies} \quad y' = -\frac{c}{x^2}$$

Substituting this into the equation, we obtain:

$$-\frac{c}{x^2} + \frac{c}{x^2} + \frac{c^2}{x^2} = \frac{4}{x^2}$$

$$c^2 = 4, \text{ Therefore } c = \pm 2$$

To proceed further we can take any value of  $c$ , let us choose  $c = 2$ , now as the particular solution is known we make the replacement:

$$z = \frac{1}{y - \frac{2}{x}} \quad \text{Or, } y = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{2}{x}$$

$$\text{And, } y' = -\frac{z'}{z^2} - \frac{2}{x^2}$$

Now substituting this into original Riccati equation:

$$-\frac{z'}{z^2} - \frac{2}{x^2} = \frac{4}{x^2} - \frac{\left(\frac{1}{z} + \frac{2}{x}\right)}{x} - \left(\frac{1}{z} + \frac{2}{x}\right) * \left(\frac{1}{z} + \frac{2}{x}\right)$$

Simplifying this we get:

$$-\frac{z'}{z^2} - \frac{2}{x^2} = \frac{4}{x^2} = \frac{1}{2 * x} - \frac{2}{x^2} - \frac{1}{z^2} - \frac{4}{z * x} - \frac{4}{x^2}$$

So cancelling out the terms:

$$-\frac{z'}{z^2} = \frac{5}{z * x} - \frac{1}{z^2} \quad \text{Or, } z' = 5 * \frac{z}{x} + 1$$

Solving this differential equation in  $z$  with respect to variable, we get:

$$z = c * x^5 - \frac{x}{4}$$

Resubstituting to find  $y$ , we get:

$$y = \frac{1}{c * x^5 - \frac{x}{4}} + \frac{2}{x}$$

Solving the initial value problem with initial condition of  $(x_0, y_0)$ , we get:

$$y_0 - \frac{2}{x_0} = \frac{1}{c * x_0^5 - \frac{x_0}{4}}$$

*Simplifying further we get:*

$$y_0 * x_0 - 2 = \frac{1}{c * x_0^4 - \frac{1}{4}} \quad (\text{Here, } x_0 \neq 0)$$

$$(y_0 * x_0 - 2) * \left(c * x_0^4 - \frac{1}{4}\right) = 1 \quad \text{Or} \quad c * x_0^4 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{y_0 * x_0 - 2}$$

$$\text{Hence, } c = \frac{\frac{1}{y_0 * x_0 - 2} + \frac{1}{4}}{x_0^4}$$

*Substituting the value of c back in our general solution of the differential equation, we get:*

$$y = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{\frac{1}{y_0 * x_0 - 2} + \frac{1}{4}}{x_0^4}\right) * x^5 - \frac{x}{4}} + \frac{2}{x}$$

*Simplifying our solution with initial values of  $(x_0, y_0) = (1, 0)$ , we get:*

$$c = -1/4 \text{ or } -0.25$$

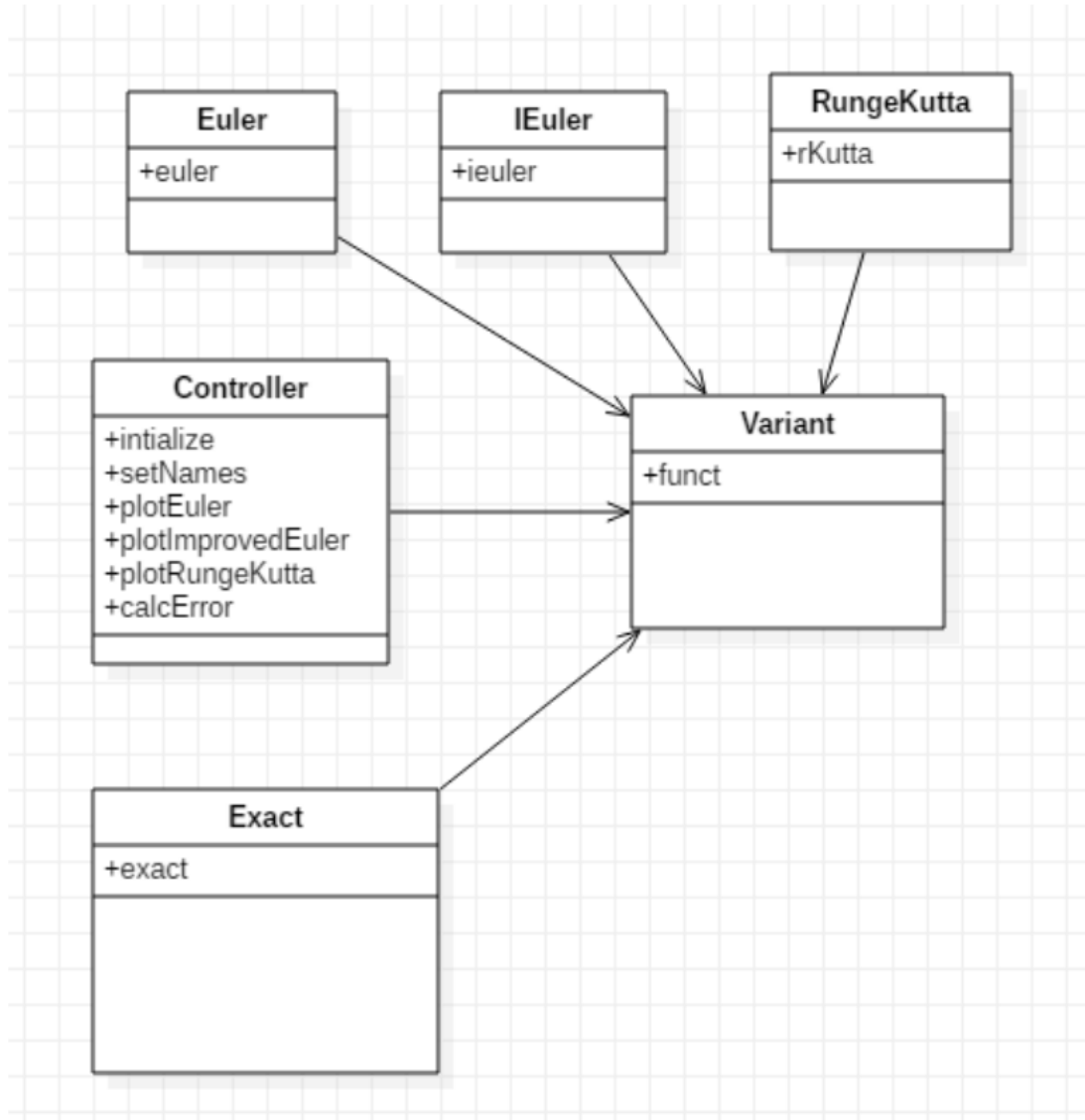
*Plugging this c in our equation, we get:*

$$y = \frac{1}{-0.25 * x^5 - \frac{x}{4}} + \frac{2}{x}$$

*This is the particular solution of our equation. (Here  $x = 0$  is a discontinuity and the function has defined value for it)*

The above section was the **analytical solution** of our given differential equation.

## UML Diagram



*Class Variant has the original function given for this task.*

*Class exact, euler, ieuler and rKutta have the implementation of exact solution, euler method, improved euler method and runge-kutta method to solve the differential equation respectively.*

*Class controller have the methods to calculate the errors (Local truncation error and Global truncation) and the methods to plot the graphs of the above-mentioned methods for the given differential equation.*

## *Exact solution*

```
package sample;

import javafx.scene.chart.XYChart;

public class Exact {
    public static double function(double x,double c) {
        double y;
        y = (1 / ((c * x * x * x * x * x * x) - (x / 4))) + (2 / x);
        return y;
    }

    public static XYChart.Series exact(double x0, double y0, double x, double N, double c) {
        double currX = x0;
        double currY = y0;
        XYChart.Series ser = new XYChart.Series();
        double n = Math.abs(x - x0) / N;

        //calculation of exact solution and graph
        while (currX <= x) {
            ser.getData().add(new XYChart.Data<>(currX, currY));

            // exact solution
            currX += n;
            currY = function(currX,c);
        }
        return ser;
    }
}
```

*Implementation of method to calculate exact solution and plot the graph.*

## *Euler method*

```
package sample;

import javafx.scene.chart.XYChart;

public class Euler {
    public static XYChart.Series euler(double x0, double y0, double x, double N) {
        Double currX = x0;
        Double currY = y0;
        XYChart.Series ser = new XYChart.Series();
        Double n = Math.abs(x - x0) / N;
        ser.getData().add(new XYChart.Data<>(currX, currY));

        //euler method and graph
        while (currX <= x) {
            ser.getData().add(new XYChart.Data<>(currX, currY));

            currY += n * Variant.funct(currX, currY);
            currX += n;
        }
        return ser;
    }
}
```

*Implementation of Euler method to calculate the numerical value of the differential equation and plot the graph.*

## *Improved Euler method*

```
package sample;

import javafx.scene.chart.XYChart;

class IEuler {
    public static XYChart.Series ieuler(double x0, double y0, double x, double N) {
        double currX = x0;
        double currY = y0;
        XYChart.Series ser = new XYChart.Series();
        double n = Math.abs(x - x0) / N;
        ser.getData().add(new XYChart.Data<>(currX, currY));

        double val;
        double tempo;

        //graph and improved euler method
        while (currX <= x) {

            ser.getData().add(new XYChart.Data<>(currX, currY));
            tempo = Variant.funct(currX, currY);
            val = n*(tempo + Variant.funct(x: currX+n, y: currY+ n*tempo))/2;
            currX += n;
            currY += val;

        }

        return ser;
    }
}
```

*Implementation of Improved Euler method to calculate the numerical value of the differential equation and plot the graph.*

## *Runge-Kutta method*

```
package sample;

import javafx.scene.chart.XYChart;

public class RKutta {
    public static XYChart.Series rKutta(double x0, double y0, double x, double N) {
        double currX = x0;
        double currY = y0;
        double k1;
        double k2;
        double k3;
        double k4;
        XYChart.Series ser = new XYChart.Series();
        double n = Math.abs(x - x0) / N;

        while (currX <= x + n) {
            ser.getData().add(new XYChart.Data<>(currX, currY));

            k1 = Variant.funct(currX, currY);
            k2 = Variant.funct(x: currX + n * 0.5, y: currY + n * k1 * 0.5);
            k3 = Variant.funct(x: currX + n * 0.5, y: currY + n * k2 * 0.5);
            k4 = Variant.funct(x: currX + n, y: currY + n * k3);

            currY += n / 6 * (k1 + 2 * k2 + 2 * k3 + k4);
            currX += n;
        }
        return ser;
    }
}
```

*Implementation of Runge-Kutta method to calculate the numerical value of the differential equation and plot the graph.*



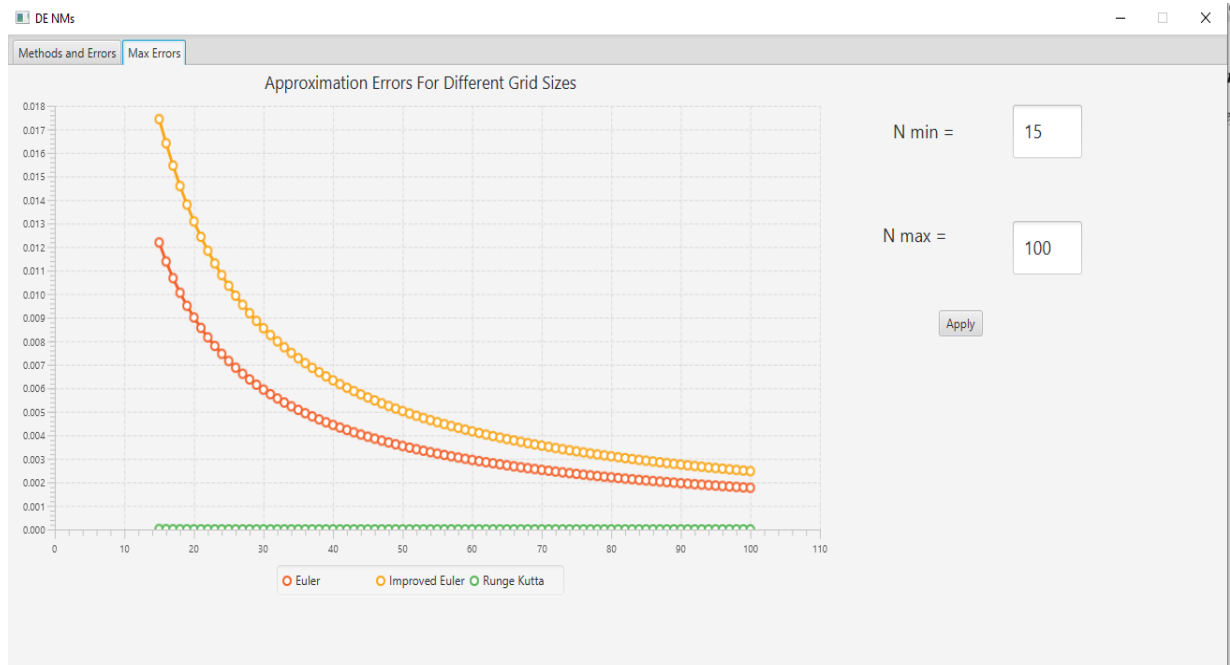
## Plots

(For the methods and their respective errors)



# *Approximation of errors*

*(For different grid size)*



## ***Why Runge-Kutta is better?***

*(In general)*

*1. The Euler method numerically gets the first derivative correct. RK4 gets the first four derivatives correct.*

*2. From the Taylor series, this means that RK4's first error term is from the 5th derivative term, which from the Taylor series has a  $(x - x_0)^5 = h^5$  or if you prefer  $dx^5$ . Therefore, its error is like the fifth power of  $h$  and is called 4th order. The Euler method is incorrect at the second derivative, which from the Taylor series has  $(x - x_0)^2 = h^2$ . This is why it scales as  $h^2$ , and is called 1st order.*

*3. For more clear understanding, think about scaling our solution. You have a solution at  $h$ , and now you re-solve at  $h/2$ . How much did you change our error? For the Euler method your error is  $\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{h^2}{4}$ , so you have a quarter of the error from before. For the RK4 method you have  $\left(\frac{h}{2}\right)^5 = \frac{h^5}{32}$  and so you have  $\frac{1}{32}$  the error from before!*

*4. Thus, we can see that as  $h$  gets smaller the higher order method gets better and better.*

## ***Conclusion***

*Thus, three different methods are implemented, compared, and their errors are plotted. This report is based on the requirements given on Moodle.*