



ALEMO: PROJECT

Bone Modeling

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1. Objective

Bone remodeling results from the competition between two cell populations in the bone: osteoclasts and osteoblasts. A mathematical model for bone remodeling can be formulated as a set of two ordinary differential equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{y}_1 &= \alpha_1 y_1^{g_{11}} y_2^{g_{21}} - \beta_1 y_1 \\ \dot{y}_2 &= \alpha_2 y_1^{g_{12}} y_2^{g_{22}} - \beta_2 y_2\end{aligned}$$

where y_1 and y_2 are the normalized number of osteoclasts and the normalized number of osteoblasts; α_i and β_i are coefficients expressing the activities of cell production and removal; and parameters g_{ij} represent the net effectiveness of osteoclast- or osteoblast-derived autocrine or paracrine factors.

The goal of the project is to create a solver for the Komarova's model and use it to simulate random bone remodeling.

2. Tasks to Complete

T1: Complete Matlab's function KomarovaModel.m

The completed equations of Matlab function KomarovaModel.m are:

- $y_1 = y(1);$
- $y_2 = y(2);$
- $\dot{y}_1 = (a_1 * y_1^{g_{11}} * y_2^{g_{21}}) - (b_1 * y_1);$
- $\dot{y}_2 = (a_2 * y_1^{g_{12}} * y_2^{g_{22}}) - (b_2 * y_2);$

T2: Complete Matlab's function KomarovaModel_Jac.m

The completed equations of Matlab function KomarovaModel_Jac.m are:

- $y_1 = y(1);$
- $y_2 = y(2);$
- $J_{11} = \left(a_1 * (y_2^{g_{21}}) * \left(g_{11} * (y_1^{(g_{11}-1)}) \right) \right) - b_1;$
- $J_{12} = \left(a_1 * (y_1^{g_{11}}) * \left(g_{21} * (y_2^{(g_{21}-1)}) \right) \right);$

- $J_{21} = \left(a_2 * (y_2^{g_{22}}) * \left(g_{12} * (y_1^{(g_{12}^{-1})}) \right) \right);$
- $J_{22} = \left(a_2 * (y_1^{g_{12}}) * \left(g_{22} * (y_2^{(g_{22}^{-1})}) \right) \right) - b_2;$
- $J = \begin{bmatrix} J_{11} & J_{12} \\ J_{21} & J_{22} \end{bmatrix}$

T3: Write backward Euler's formula for Komarova's equations in scalar form.

Backward Euler Scheme – Vector Form

$$\frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{\Delta t_i} = f_{i+1}$$

Then,

- $\frac{y_{1,i+1} - y_{1,i}}{\Delta t_i} = f_{1,i+1}$
- $\frac{y_{2,i+1} - y_{2,i}}{\Delta t_i} = f_{2,i+1}$
- $\frac{y_{1,i+1} - y_{1,i}}{\Delta t_i} = (a_1 y_{1,i+1}^{g_{11}} y_{2,i+1}^{g_{21}} - b_1 y_{1,i+1})$
- $\frac{y_{2,i+1} - y_{2,i}}{\Delta t_i} = (a_2 y_{1,i+1}^{g_{12}} y_{2,i+1}^{g_{22}} - b_1 y_{2,i+1})$
- $y_{1,i+1} - y_{1,i} = \Delta t_i (a_1 y_{1,i+1}^{g_{11}} y_{2,i+1}^{g_{21}} - b_1 y_{1,i+1})$
- $y_{2,i+1} - y_{2,i} = \Delta t_i (a_2 y_{1,i+1}^{g_{12}} y_{2,i+1}^{g_{22}} - b_1 y_{2,i+1})$

Therefore, Scalar form is,

- $y_{1,i+1} - y_{1,i} - \Delta t_i (a_1 y_{1,i+1}^{g_{11}} y_{2,i+1}^{g_{21}} - b_1 y_{1,i+1}) = 0$
- $y_{2,i+1} - y_{2,i} - \Delta t_i (a_2 y_{1,i+1}^{g_{12}} y_{2,i+1}^{g_{22}} - b_1 y_{2,i+1}) = 0$

T4: Show that y_{i+1} is the solution of $g(z) = 0$.

We have,

$$g(z) = z - y_i - \Delta t_i f(z)$$

Where, $z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$

And, we substitute $z = y_{i+1}$

That is,

$$g(y_{i+1}) = y_{i+1} - y_i - \Delta t_i f(y_{i+1})$$

We know that,

$$\frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{\Delta t_i} = f(y_{i+1})$$

Substituting in $g(y_{i+1})$,

We get

$$g(y_{i+1}) = y_{i+1} - y_i - \Delta t_i \left(\frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{\Delta t_i} \right)$$

On solving,

$$g(y_{i+1}) = 0$$

Therefore,

y_{i+1} is the root of $g(z) = 0$ and it is a solution of $g(z)=0$.

T5: Derive a mathematical expression for the gradient of $g(z)$.

We have,

$$g(z) = z - y_i - \Delta t_i f(z)$$

And,

$$L(z) = \frac{\partial g}{\partial z}$$

Then,

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial z} = I - 0 - \Delta t \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial y}$$

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We know that,

$$J(y) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial y_2} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial y_2} \end{bmatrix}$$

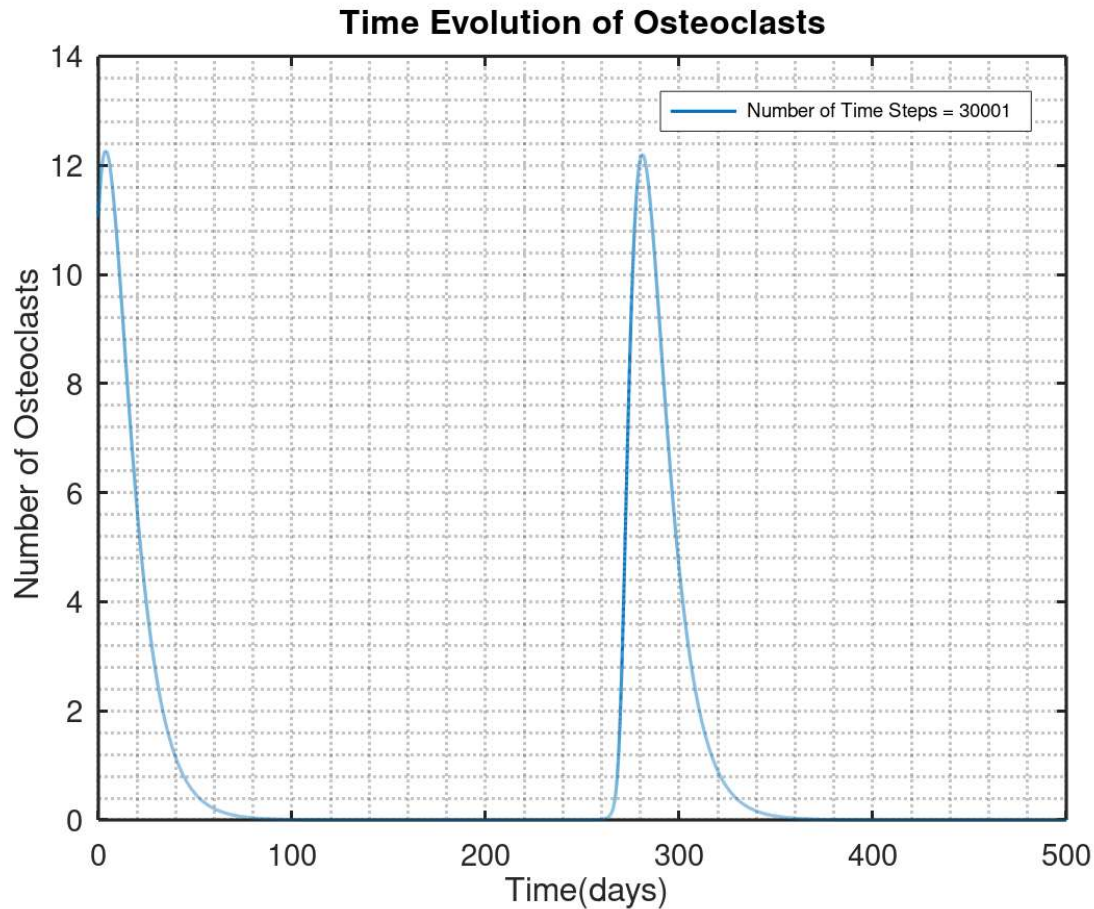
Then,

Substituting, the values of $\frac{\partial g}{\partial z}$ in $L(z)$, we get

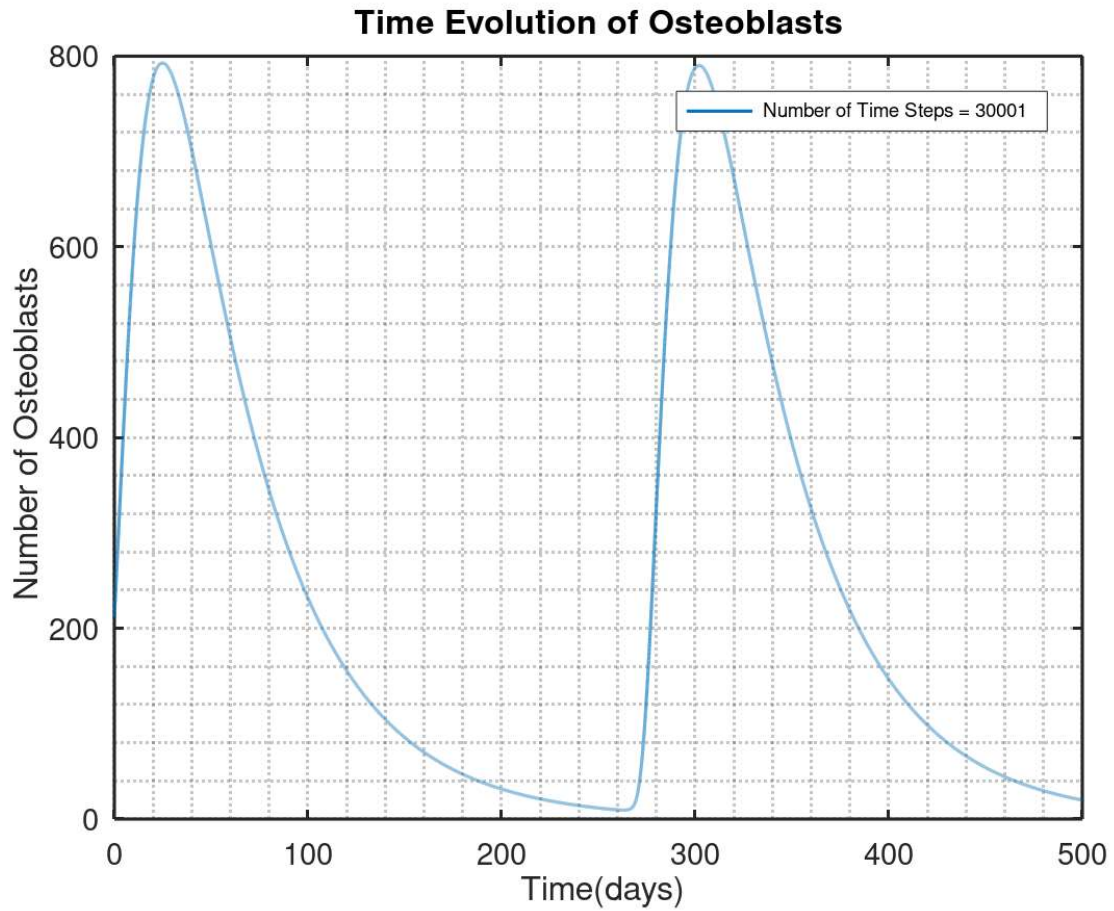
$$L(z) = I - \Delta t J(z)$$

T8: Test your code using the script testKomarova.m. Export some figures showing the time evolution of osteoclasts and osteoblasts in random remodeling.

These are the plots obtained when number of time steps (N_t) = 30001 showing the time evolution of Osteoclasts and Osteoblasts.

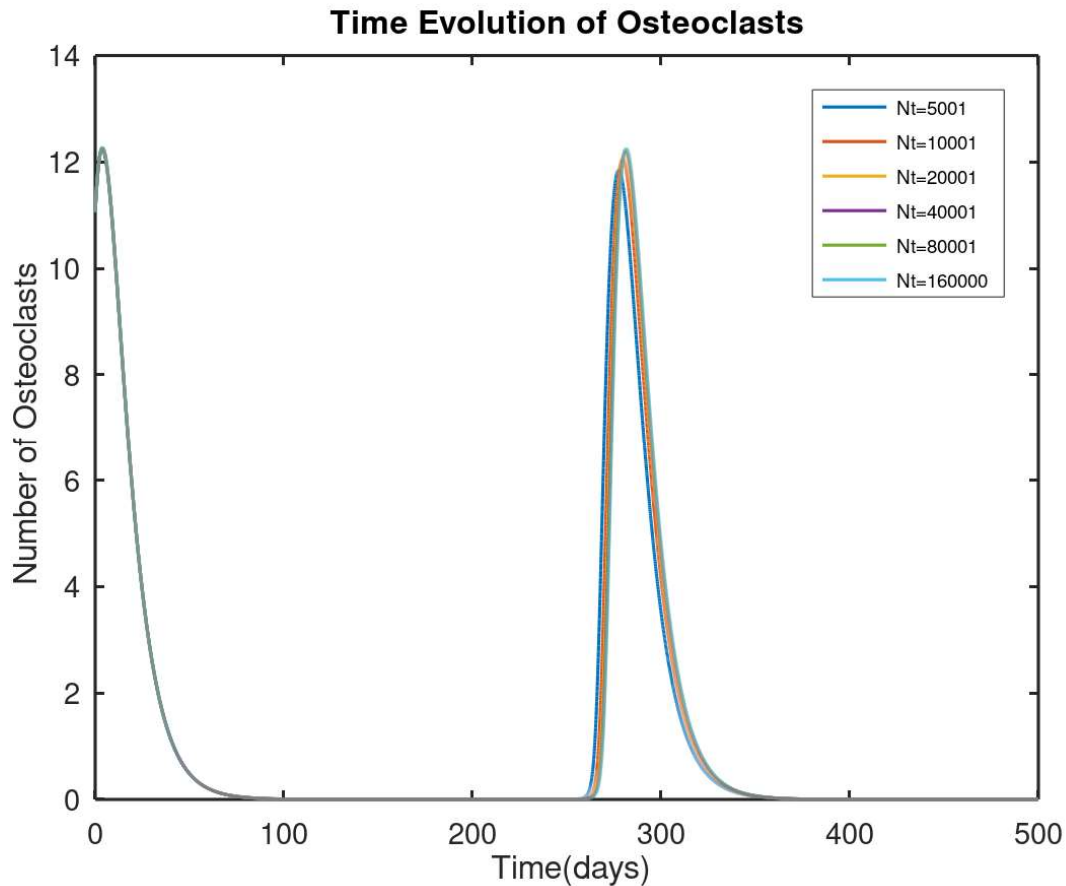


The above plot represents number of Osteoclasts versus Time (days) when the number of time steps $N_t = 30001$. The rise to the maximum number of Osteoclasts is sudden and after reaching the maximum number of Osteoclasts the decline is also rapid.



The above plot represents number of Osteoblasts versus Time (days) when the number of time steps $N_t = 30001$. The rise to the maximum number of Osteoblasts is sudden and after reaching the maximum number of Osteoclasts the decline is gradual.

T9: Repeat the numerical solution while increasing the number of time steps. Plot the solutions on the same graphs. Describe qualitatively what happens as the time step size decreases.



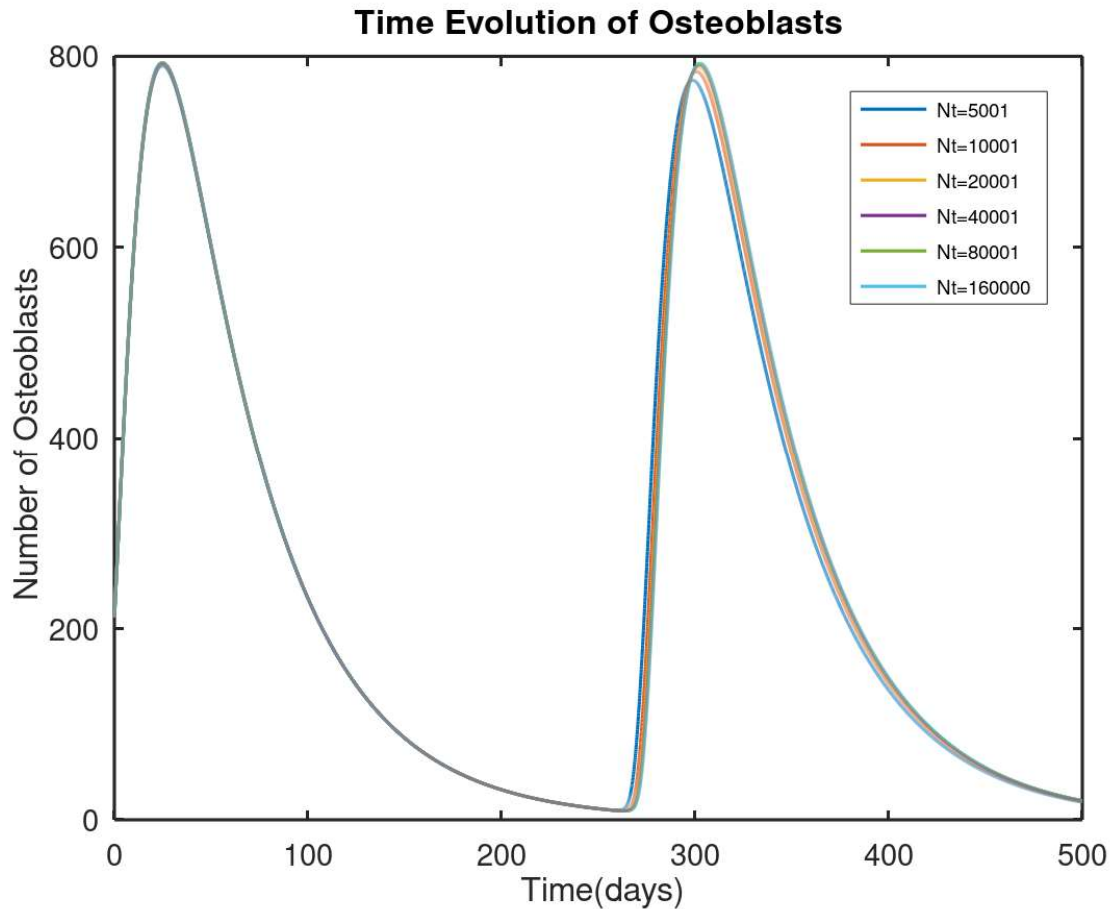
The above graph represents the time evolution of Osteoclasts versus time. The evolution of Osteoclasts is done for different number of time steps such as

$N_t = [5000, 10000, 20000, 40000, 80000, 160000]$

As seen in the graph, the solution approaches towards a more accurate value as the number of time steps increases.

When the number of days is less, the number of osteoclasts looks to be same for different time steps.

As you can see from the plot the difference between plots becomes less as Number of time steps reaches above 80001.



The above graph represents the time evolution of Osteoblasts versus time. The evolution of Osteoblasts is done for different number of time steps such as

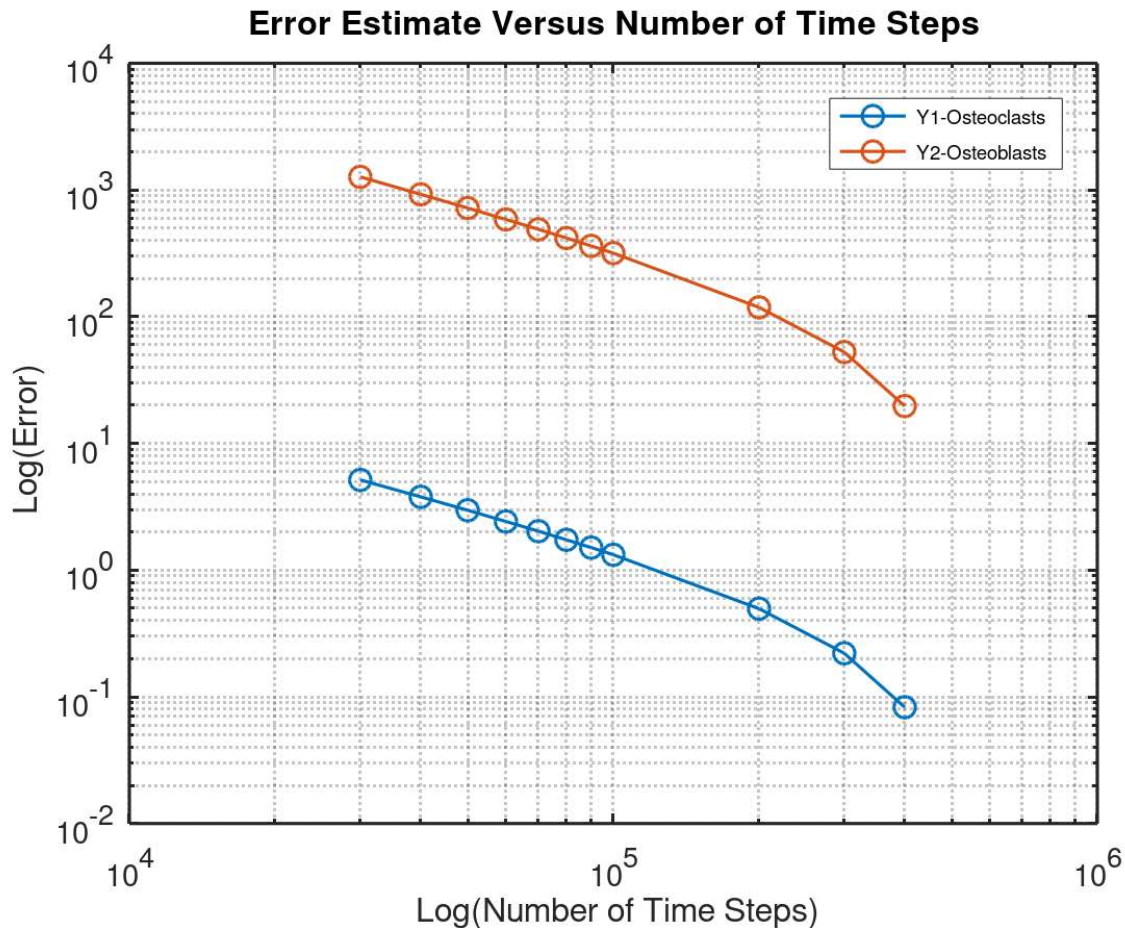
$N_t = [5000, 10000, 20000, 40000, 80000, 160000]$

As seen in the graph, the solution approaches towards a more accurate value as the number of time steps increases.

Similar to Osteoclasts, When the number of days is less, the number of osteoblasts looks to be same for different time steps.

As you can see from the plot the difference between plots becomes less as Number of time steps reaches above 80001.

T10: Plot the error estimate for y1 and y2 versus the number of time steps in double logarithmic scale. Use Matlab's function loglog.

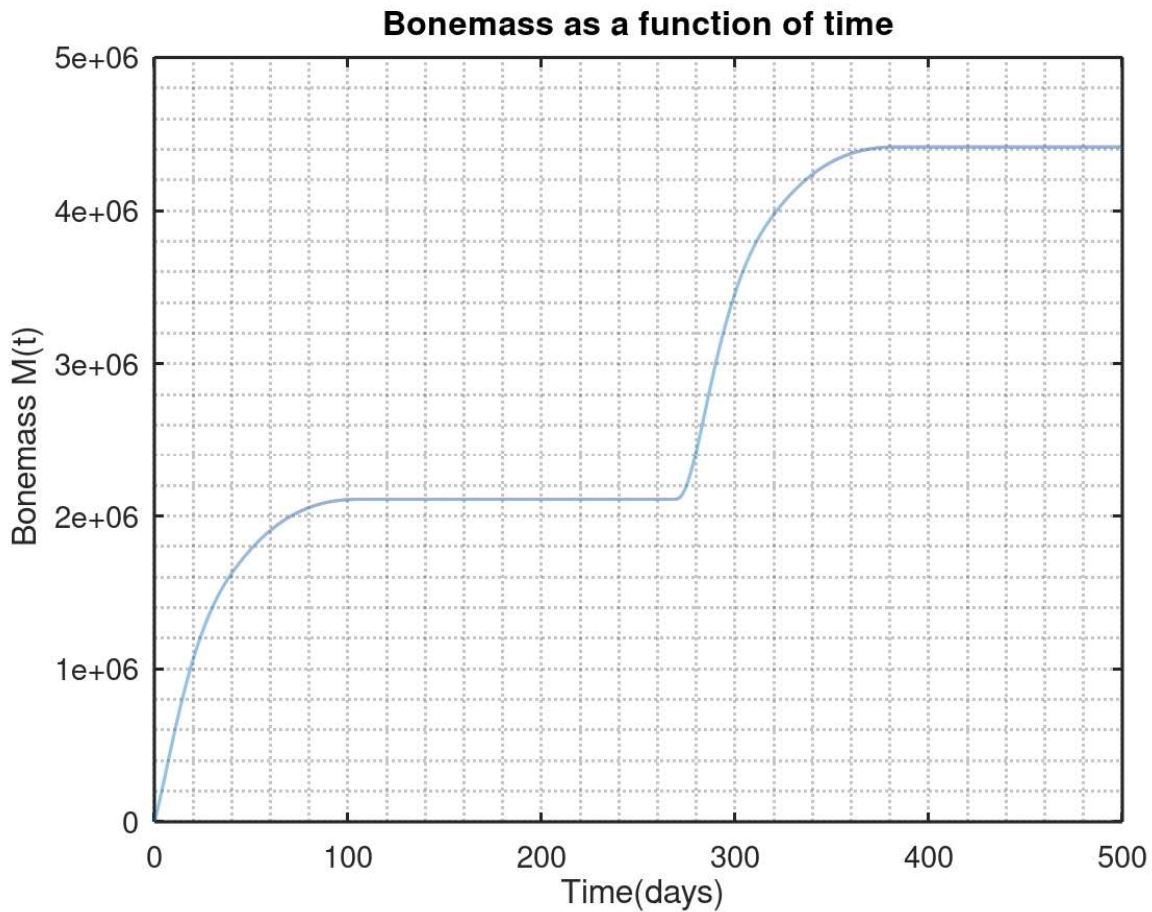


The above graph represents the loglog graph of Error versus Number of time steps. Here the exact solution of the system is calculated for a Time step of 0.5M. The different time step choosen are:

$N_t = [30000, 40000, 50000, 60000, 70000, 80000, 90000, 100000, 200000, 300000, 400000, 500000]$

As seen from the plot, as the number of time steps increases the error of decreases, for both Osteoclasts and Osteoblasts. It reaches to zero as it reaches to 0.5M time steps.

T11: Plot the bone mass $M(t)$ as a function of time.



The number of time steps chosen is 80000 as the difference between plots above this value is less. The above plot represents Bone mass as a function of time, where the y-axis is represented by Bonemass $M(t)$ and the x-axis is represented by the number of days. The bone mass increases in the above shown way as the number of days increase.

3. Appendix

- **Code: KomarovaModel**

```
1 function ydot = KomarovaModel(y,a1,a2,b1,b2,g11,g12,g21,g22)
2 %% DO NOT MODIFY THIS PART-----
3 %check size of the input vector
4 if numel(y) ~= 2
5     error('The input vector Y must have two elements')
6 end
7 %%-----
8 y1 = y(1);
9 y2 = y(2);
10
11 ydot1 = (a1*(y1^g11)*(y2^g21))-(b1*y1);
12
13 ydot2 = (a2*(y1^g12)*(y2^g22))-(b2*y2);
14
15 %% DO NOT MODIFY THIS PART-----
16 %make sure that output argument ydot has the same
17 ydot = reshape([ydot1,ydot2],size(y));
18 %%-----
19 end
```

- **Code: KomarovaModel_Jac**

```
1 function J = KomarovaModel_Jac(y,a1,a2,b1,b2,g11,g12,g21,g22)
2 %% DO NOT MODIFY THIS PART-----
3 %check size of the input vector
4 if numel(y) ~= 2
5     error('The input vector Y must have two elements')
6 end
7 %%-----
8 y1 = y(1);
9 y2 = y(2);
10
11 % Jij is the derivative of ydot_i w.r.t. y_j
12
13 J11 = (a1*(y2^g21)*(g11*(y1^(g11-1))))-b1;
14 J12 = (a1*(y1^g11)*(g21*(y2^(g21-1))));
15 J21 = (a2*(y2^g22)*(g12*(y1^(g12-1))));
16 J22 = (a2*(y1^g12)*(g22*(y2^(g22-1))))-b2;
17
18 % J is a 2x2 matrix containing the J_(ij)'s
19 J = [J11 J12;J21 J22];
20
21 end
```


- **Code: BwdEuler**

```

1 function y = BwdEuler(time,ffun,Jfun,y1)
2 % SOLVE ydot = f(t,y)
3 % t is the time stepping vector
4 % ffun is the function handle @(t,y) for the rhs of the ODE f(t,y)
5 % Jfun is the function handle @(t,y) for the gradient of f with respect to
6 % y
7 % y1 is the initial condition
8 %% DO NOT MODIFY THIS PART-----
9 if size(y1,2)~=1
10     error('The initial condition must be a COLUMN vector')
11 end
12 if min(size(time))~=1
13     error('The time step vector must be either a COLUMN or a ROW')
14 end
15 %%-----
16 % Allocate space for solution
17 y = zeros(size(y1,1),numel(time));
18 % Set initial condition
19 y(:,1)=y1;
20
21 % Start time stepping
22 for i = 2:(numel(time))
23     % compute Delta t
24     dt = time(i)-time(i-1);
25     % set g fun
26     gfun = @(z)(z-y(:,i-1)-dt*ffun(time(i),z));
27     % Set L
28     Lfun = @(z)(eye(2)-dt*Jfun(time(i),z));
29     % solve nonlinear problem using the solution at previous time step as
30     % initial guess
31     y(:,i) = solveNR(gfun,Lfun,y(:,i-1));
32     %Display message
33     fprintf('Solved time step %d of %d\n',i,numel(time));
34 end
35

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- **Code: SolveNR**

```

1 function znew = solveNR(gfun,Lfun,z1)
2
3 err = 1;
4 k = 0;
5 znew = z1;
6
7 while (err>1e-10)&&(k<=10000)
8     %STORE the old solution
9     zold = znew;
10    %Increment iteration index k
11    k = k+1;
12    %COMPUTE THE FUNCTION
13    g = gfun(zold);
14    %COMPUTE THE GRADIENT
15    L = Lfun(zold);
16    %UPDATE Z
17    znew =(zold)-(inv(L)*g);
18
19    %ERROR ESTIMATION
20    err = max(norm(g),norm(zold-znew));
21 end
22
23 if err>1e-10
24     error('Newton Raphson did not converge! Try increasing the error tolerance or the number of iterations!')
25 end
26
27 end

```

- Code: testKomarova

```

1 function [y,time]=testKomarova(Nt)
2 #clear all
3 #close all
4 #clc
5 %% MODEL PARAMETERS
6 a1= 3;
7 a2= 4;
8 b1= 0.2;
9 b2= 0.02;
10 g11= 1.1;
11 g12= 1;
12 g21=-0.5;
13 g22= 0;
14 k1= 0.18;
15 k2= 0.0014;
16 BMi = 92.123644277624891; % initial bone mass
17 %% INITIAL CONDITIONS
18 yss = [1.060660171777250 ; 2.121320343560527e+02];
19 y1 = yss + [10;0];
20
21 %% NUMERICAL PARAMETERS
22 #Nt = 1600;
23 time = linspace(0,500,Nt+1);
24
25 %% HANDLE FUNCTIONS DEFINITION
26 ffun = @(t,y)KomarovaModel(y,a1,a2,b1,b2,g11,g12,g21,g22);
27 Jfun = @(t,y)KomarovaModel_Jac(y,a1,a2,b1,b2,g11,g12,g21,g22);
28 % since all the parameters are fixed fun only depends on t and
29 %% SOLUTION
30 tic
31 y = BwdEuler(time,ffun,Jfun,y1);
32 toc
33

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- **Code: Random Remodeling (Nt=30000)**

```

1  #To program the Time evolution of Osteoclasts and Osteoblasts in Ran
2
3  Nt=[30000];
4
5  for i=1:(numel(Nt))
6
7      #Function call for testKomarova.m
8      [y,time]=testKomarova(Nt(i));
9      y1=y(1:1,:);
10     y2=y(2:2,:);
11
12     #To plot Osteoclasts
13     figure
14     plot(time,y1,'-','MarkerSize',10,'LineWidth',1.5);
15     grid minor
16     xlabel(' Time(days)')
17     ylabel(' Number of Osteoclasts')
18     title('Time Evolution of Osteoclasts')
19     legend('Number of Time Steps = 30001')
20     set(gca,'FontSize',14)
21     set(gca,'LineWidth',1.5)
22
23     #To plot Osteoblasts
24     figure
25     plot(time,y2,'-','MarkerSize',10,'LineWidth',1.5);
26     grid minor
27     xlabel(' Time(days)')
28     ylabel(' Number of Osteoblasts')

```


- **Code: Time evolution of Osteoclasts and Osteoblasts for Different Time Steps**

```

1 #To program the Time evolution of Osteoclasts and Osteoblasts for Different Time Steps
2
3 Nt=[5000,10000,20000,40000,80000,160000];
4 for i=1:(numel(Nt))
5
6 #Function call for testKomarova.m
7 [y,time]=testKomarova(Nt(i));
8 y1=y(1:1,:);
9 y2=y(2:2,:);
10
11 #To plot Osteoclasts
12
13 plot(time,y1,'-','MarkerSize',10,'LineWidth',1.5);
14 hold on
15 grid minor
16 xlabel(' Time(days)')
17 ylabel(' Number of Osteoclasts')
18 title('Time Evolution of Osteoclasts')
19 legend('Nt=5001','Nt=10001','Nt=20001','Nt=40001','Nt=80001','Nt=160000')
20 set(gca,'FontSize',14)
21 set(gca,'LineWidth',1.5)
22
23 #To plot Osteoblasts
24
25 plot(time,y2,'-','MarkerSize',10,'LineWidth',1.5);
26 hold on
27 grid minor
28 xlabel(' Time(days)')
29 ylabel(' Number of Osteoblasts')
30 title('Time Evolution of Osteoblasts')
31 legend('Nt=5001','Nt=10001','Nt=20001','Nt=40001','Nt=80001','Nt=160000')
32 set(gca,'FontSize',14)
33 set(gca,'LineWidth',1.5)
34
35 end

```

- **Code: Plot the error estimate for y1 and y2 versus the number of time steps in double logarithmic scale. Use Matlab's function loglog.**

```

1 #Plot the error estimate for y1 and y2 versus the number of time steps
2 load Y5L_t5L
3 Exact_y1=y(1:1,:);
4 Exact_y2=y(2:2,:);
5 time_Exact=linspace(0,500,500001);
6 Nt=[30000,40000,50000,60000,70000,80000,90000,100000,200000,300000,400000,500000]
7 Err_y=zeros(1,numel(Nt))
8 Err_y1=zeros(1,numel(Nt))
9 Err_y2=zeros(1,numel(Nt))
10 time=zeros(1,numel(Nt))
11 for i=1:(numel(Nt))
12     [Aprox_y,Aprox_time]=testKomarova(Nt(i));
13     Aprox_y1=Aprox_y(1:1,:);
14     Aprox_y2=Aprox_y(2:2,:);
15     y1_intrap=interp1(Aprox_time,Aprox_y1,time_Exact);
16     norm(Exact_y1)
17     norm(y1_intrap)
18     y2_intrap=interp1(Aprox_time,Aprox_y2,time_Exact);
19     norm(Exact_y2)
20     norm(y2_intrap)
21     y_intrap=[y1_intrap;y2_intrap];
22     Err_y(i)=norm(y_intrap)-norm(y)
23     Err_y1(i)=norm(Exact_y1)-norm(y1_intrap)
24     Err_y2(i)=norm(y2_intrap)-norm(Exact_y2)
25 end
26 figure()
27 loglog(Nt,Err_y1,'-o','MarkerSize',10,'LineWidth',1.5)
28 hold on
29 loglog(Nt,Err_y2,'-o','MarkerSize',10,'LineWidth',1.5)
30 grid minor
31 xlabel(' Log(Number of Time Steps)')
32 ylabel(' Log(Error)')
33 title('Error Estimate Versus Number of Time Steps')
34 legend('Y1-Osteoclasts','Y2-Osteoblasts')
35 set(gca,'FontSize',14)

```

- **Code: Plot the bone mass $M(t)$ as a function of time.**

```

1 #Program to Plot Bonemass as a function of time
2 Nt=[80000];
3 k1= 0.18;k2= 0.0014;
4
5 yss = [1.060660171777250 ; 2.121320343560527e+02];
6 yss1=yss(1:1,:);yss2=yss(2:2,:);
7
8 [Final_y,Final_time]=testKomarova(Nt);
9 y1=Final_y(1:1,:);
10 y2=Final_y(2:2,:);
11
12 x1=max(y1-yss1,0);
13 x2=max(y2-yss2,0);
14
15 dt=Nt/500;
16
17 m(1)=92.123644277624891;
18
19 for i = 2:(numel(Final_time))
20
21     m(i)=m(i-1)+(0.5*dt*((k1*x1(:,i))+(k2*x2(:,i))+ (k1*x1(:,i-1))+(k2*x2(:,i-1)))));
22
23 end
24 plot(Final_time,m,'-','MarkerSize',10,'LineWidth',1.5);
25 grid minor
26 xlabel(' Time(days)')
27 ylabel(' Bonemass M(t)')
28 title('Bonemass as a function of time')
29 set(gca,'FontSize',14)
30 set(gca,'LineWidth',1.5)

```