

Homework 2

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In [1]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.style.use('seaborn-whitegrid')
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Problem 1

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The velocity (v) of an electric bicycle with the power output (P) of the motor is described by the following differential equation:

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{P}{mv}$$

where, m is total mass (bicycle + rider)

Given:

$v(0) = 4.0$ m/s

$P = 400$ Watt

$m = 70$ kg

Δt (or h) = 0.1 sec

Solve the $v(t)$ by Euler method for time interval $[0, 200]$.

Compare the result with the exact solution,

$$v = \sqrt{v(0)^2 + 2Pt / m}$$

(plot v against t).

(you may vary time step to see the accuracy variation)

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Solution Problem 1

First order approximation by Euler's method,

$$x(t + \Delta t) \approx x(t) + \frac{dx}{dt} \Delta t = x(t) + f(x(t), t) \Delta t$$

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In [2]: #####
##### euler #####
def euler(f, a, b, dt, x_0, x_exact = None):

    """
    General info:
        This function returns solutions to the dependent variable (x's) of a
        differential equation for the given range of independent variable (t).
    Arguments:
        f      : 1st derivative of function
        a      : Lower limit
        b      : Higher limit
        dt     : Time step
        x_0    : x at time 0 in m/s
        x_exact : Exact solution (for plot comparision)
    """

    t = np.linspace(a, b, int((b-a)/dt))    # >> Independent variable t
    x = [0] * int((b-a)/dt)                 # >> Dependent variable x
    x[0] = x_0

    # Loop for getting x's >>
    for i in range(len(t) - 1):
        x[i+1] = x[i] + f(x[i], t[i]) * dt

    # Plotting results >>
    fig = plt.figure(figsize = (10, 10))
    axes = plt.gca()
    if x_exact: axes.plot( t, x_exact(t),          # >> Plotting exact solution
                           color      = "blue",
                           label      = "Exact solution" )
    axes.plot( t, x,          # >> Plotting euler's solution
               color      = "green",
               label      = "Euler's solution" )

    # Setting plot elements >>
    label_xaxis = "t"
    label_yaxis = "v"
    title       = label_yaxis + " vs " + label_xaxis + ", dt = " + str(dt)
    axes.set_title(title)
    axes.set_xlabel(label_xaxis + " (sec)")
    axes.set_ylabel(label_yaxis + " (m/s)")
    axes.legend()

    return None

##### euler #####
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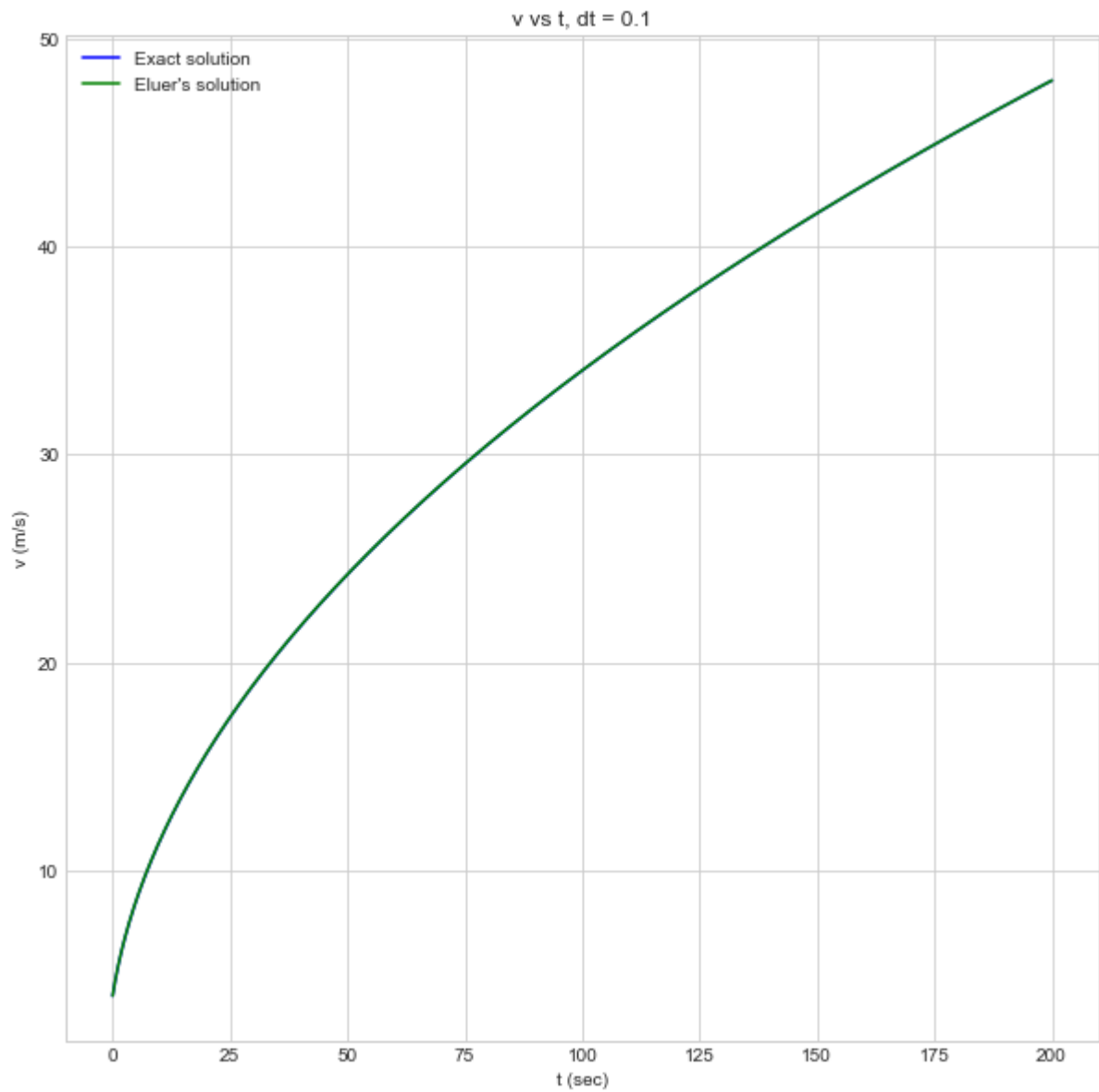
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##### Given #####
P  = 400 # >> Power output of motor in Watts
m  = 70  # >> Total mass (bicycle + rider) in kg
##### Given #####
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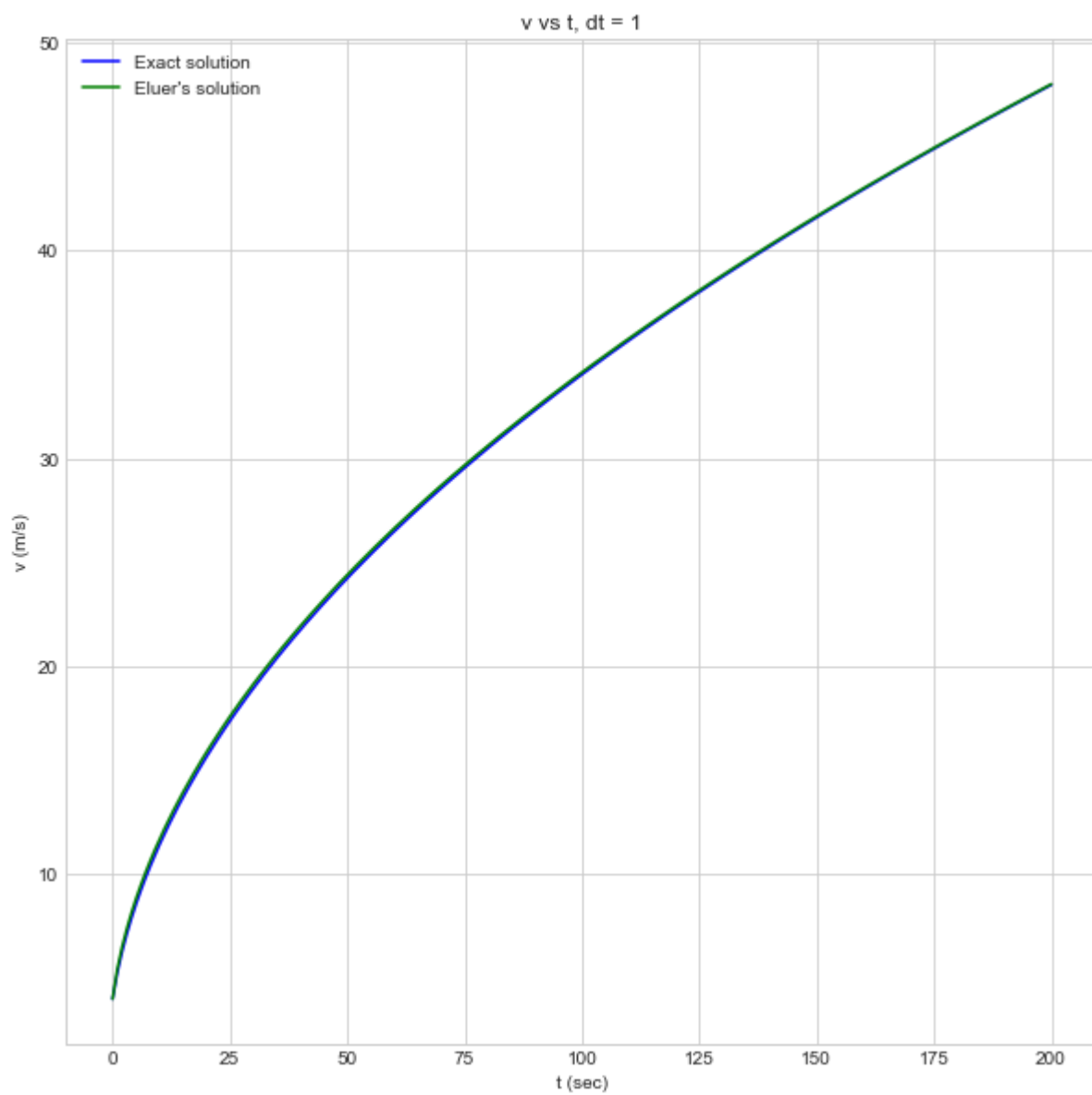
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##### der_1st #####
def der_1st(v, t):
    return( P / (m*v) )
##### der_1st #####
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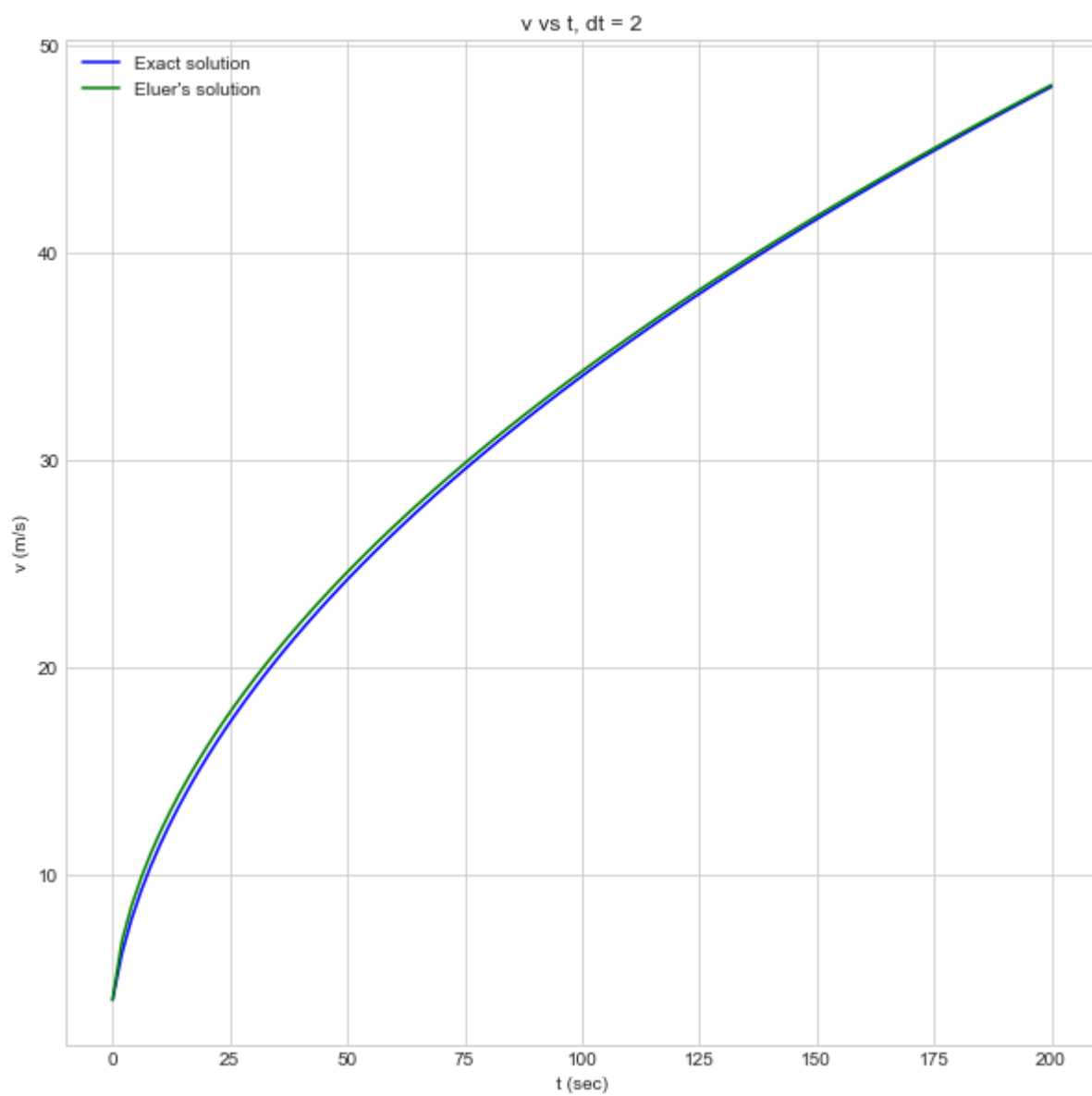
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##### v_exact #####
def v_exact(t):
    v_0 = 4          # >> Velocity at time 0 in m/s
    return( np.sqrt( v_0**2 + 2*P*t/m ) )
##### v_exact #####
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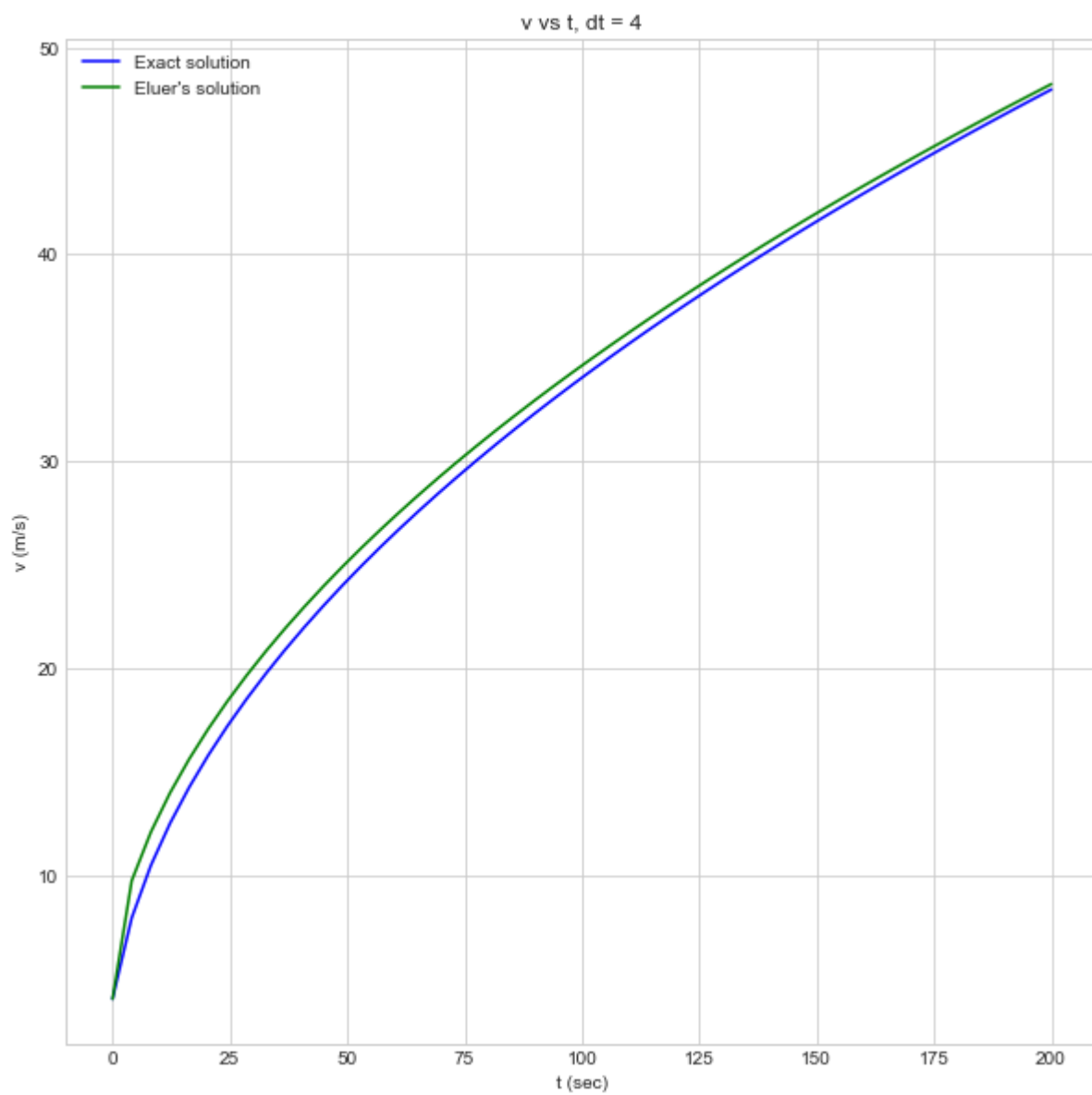
Final Solution Problem 1

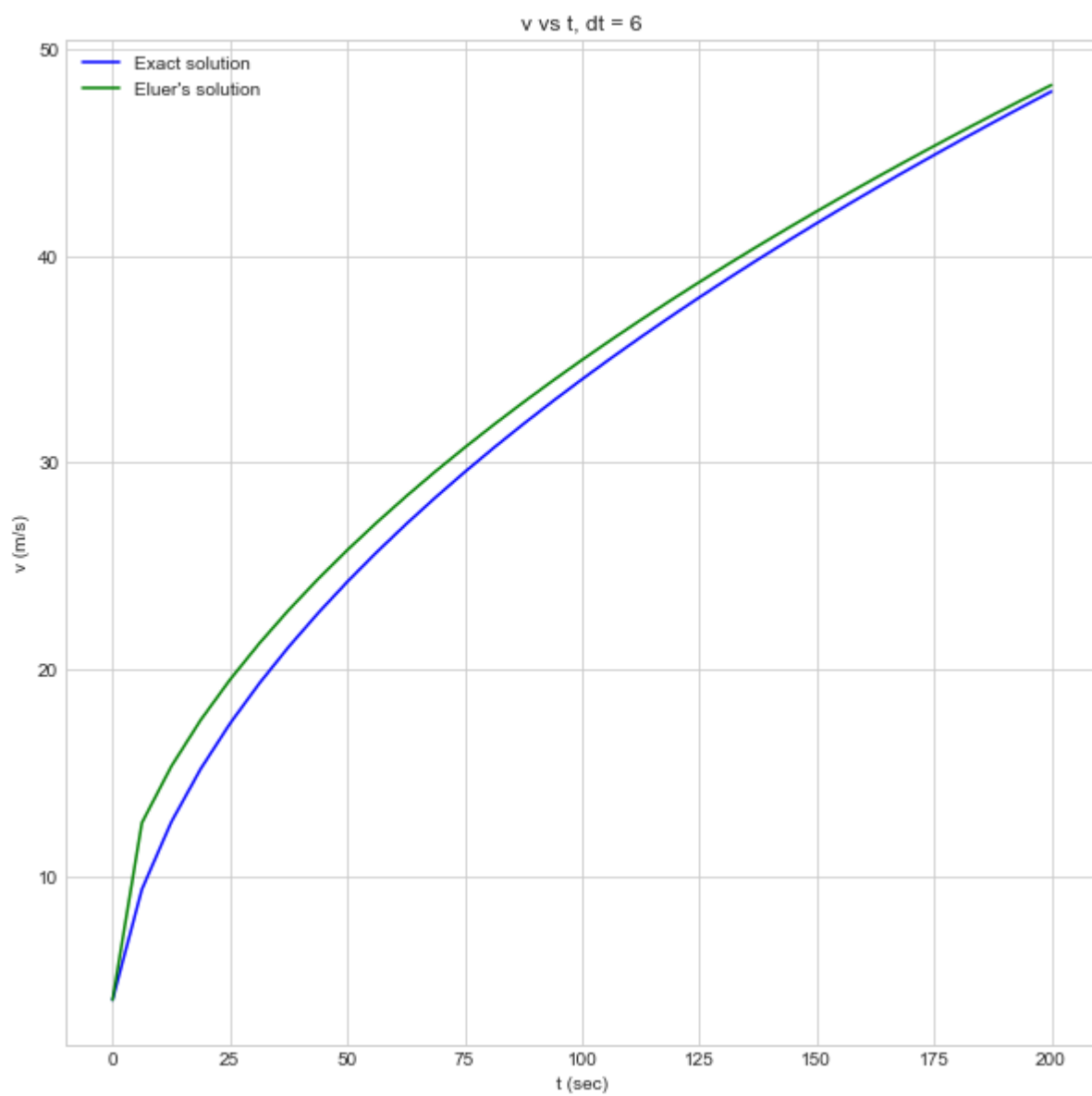
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In [3]: for dt in [0.1, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10]:  
        euler( f      = der_1st,  
              a      = 0,  
              b      = 200,  
              dt     = dt,  
              x_0    = 4,  
              x_exact = v_exact )
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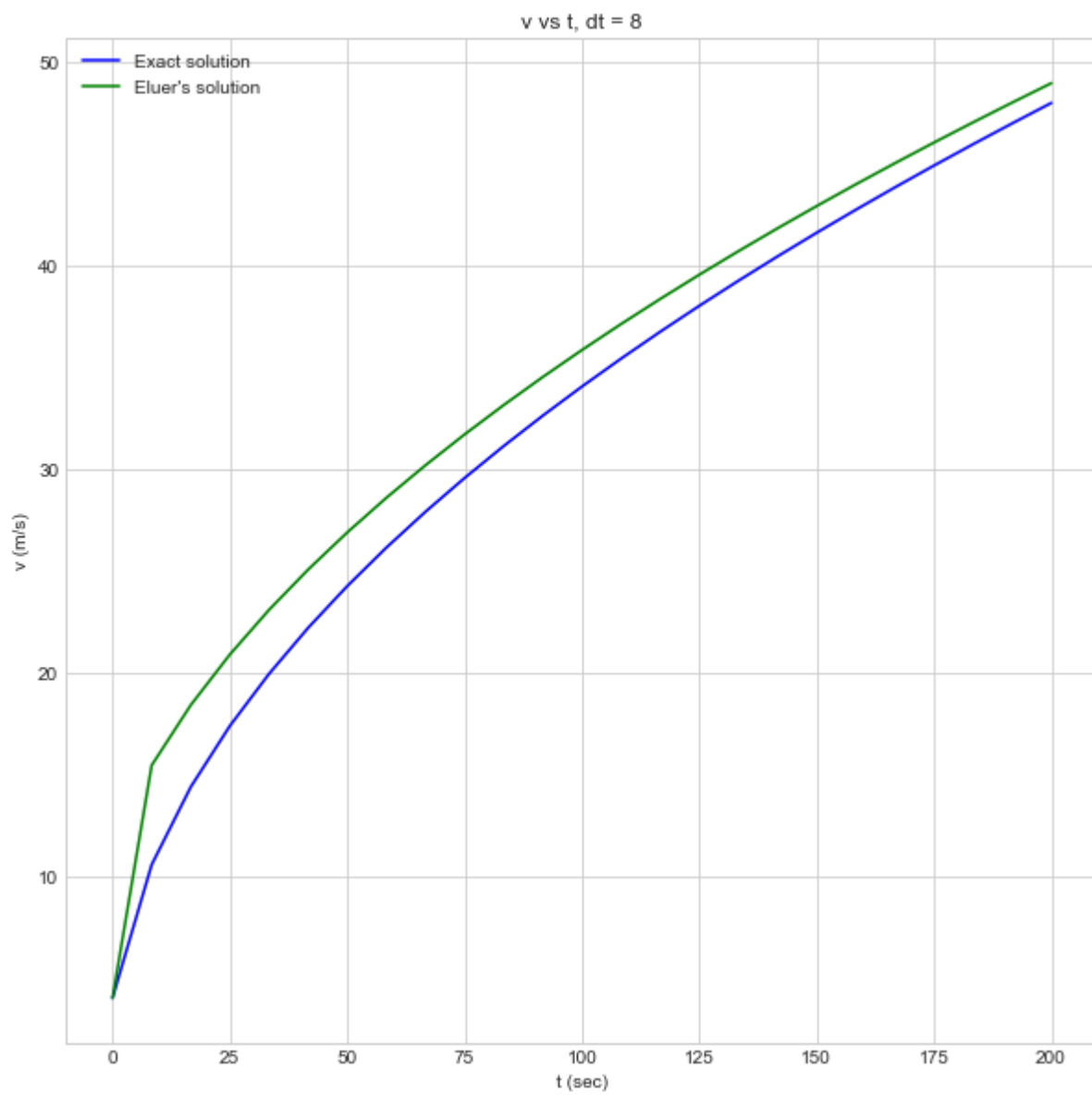


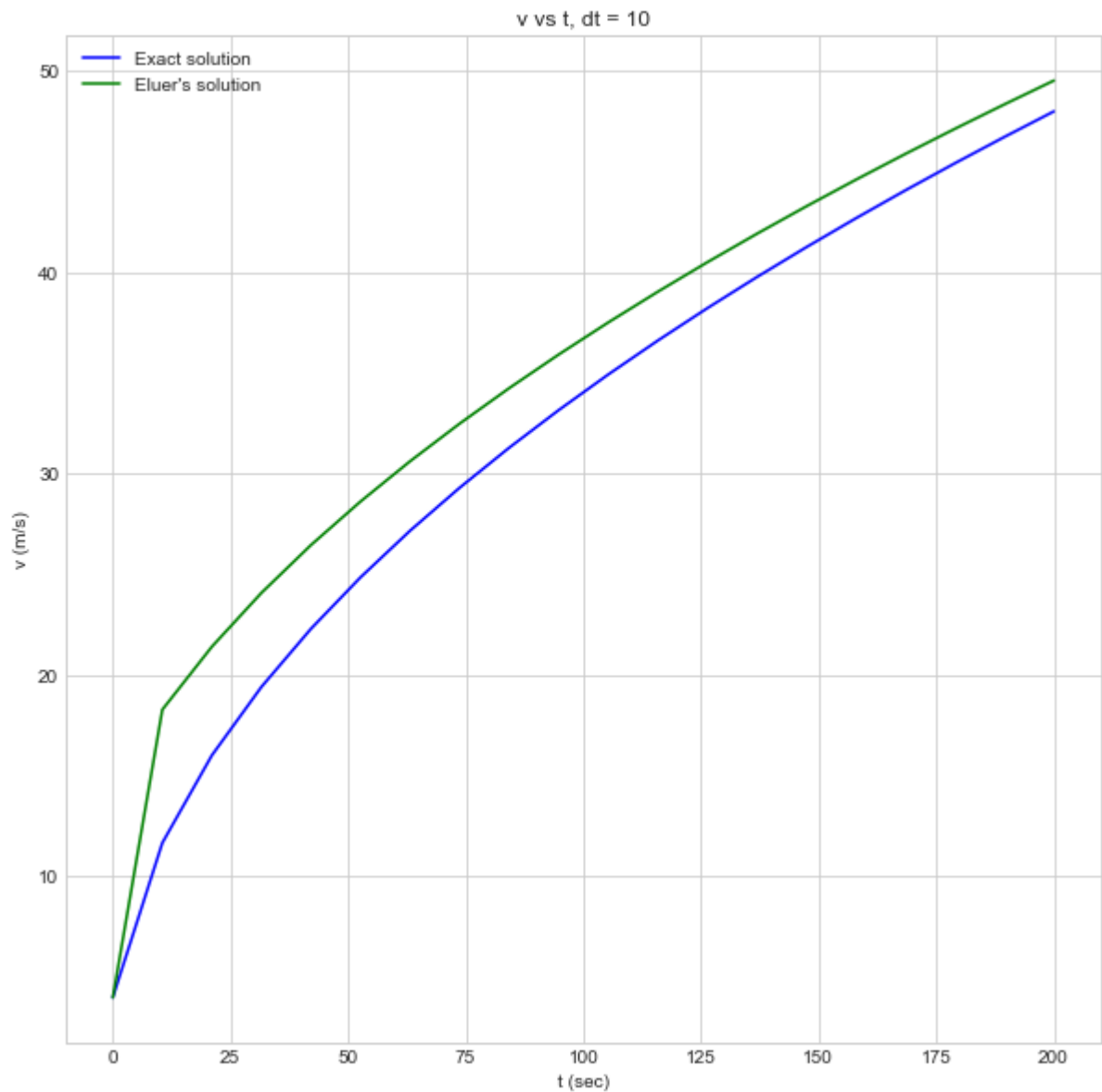












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Problem 2

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Add in an air-drag term, $-Av^2$, on the right-hand of the equation in Problem 1,
where A is proportional to the frontal area and the air density.
Then solve for $v(t)$ using $A = 0.15$ and compare the result to the solution with $A = 0$.

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Solution Problem 2

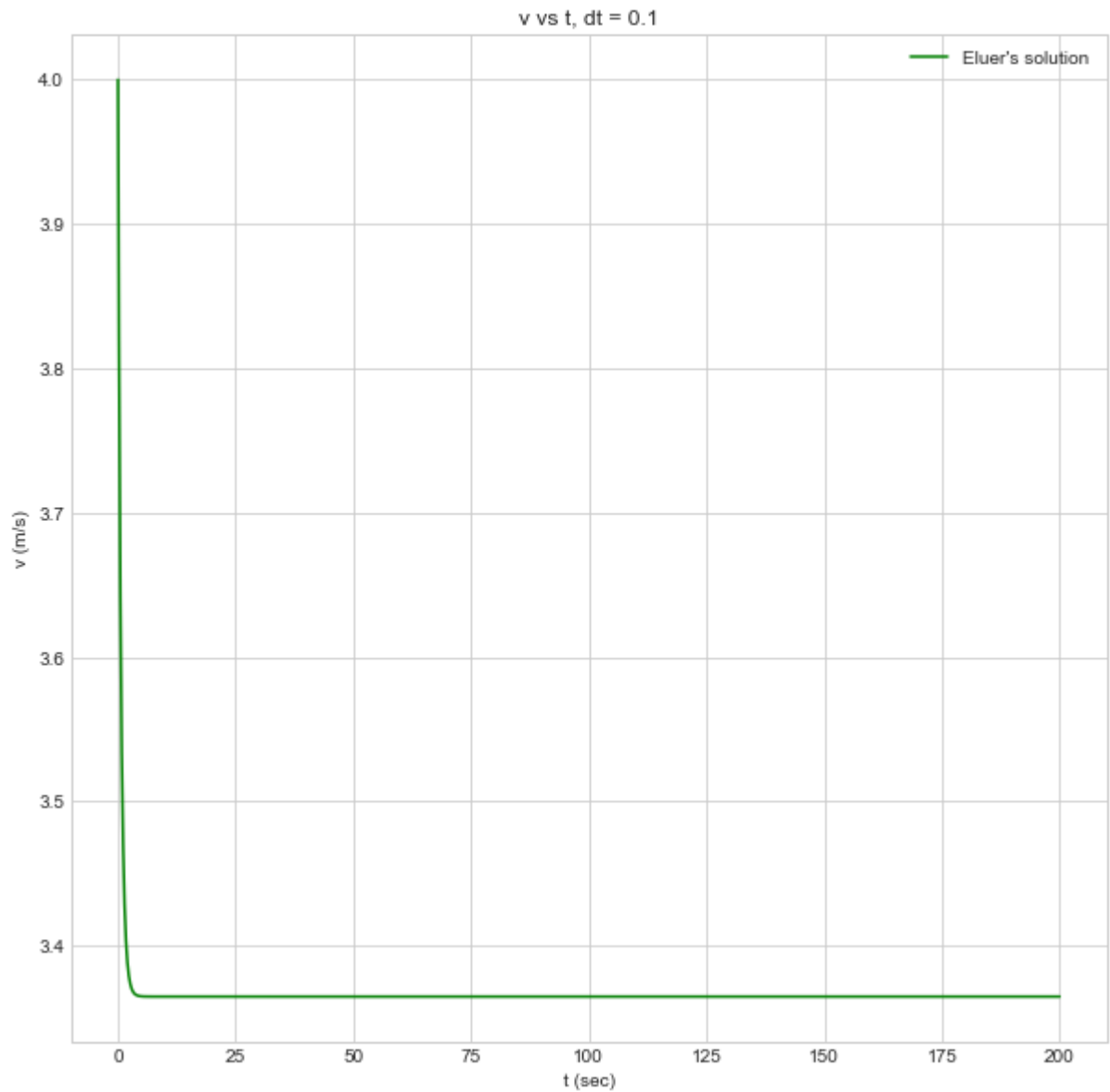
$$\frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{P}{mv} - Av^2$$

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In [4]: #####
##### der_1st_air_drag #####
A = 0.15
def der_1st_air_drag(v, t):
    return( P / (m*v) - A*v**2 )
##### der_1st_air_drag #####
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Final Solution Problem 2

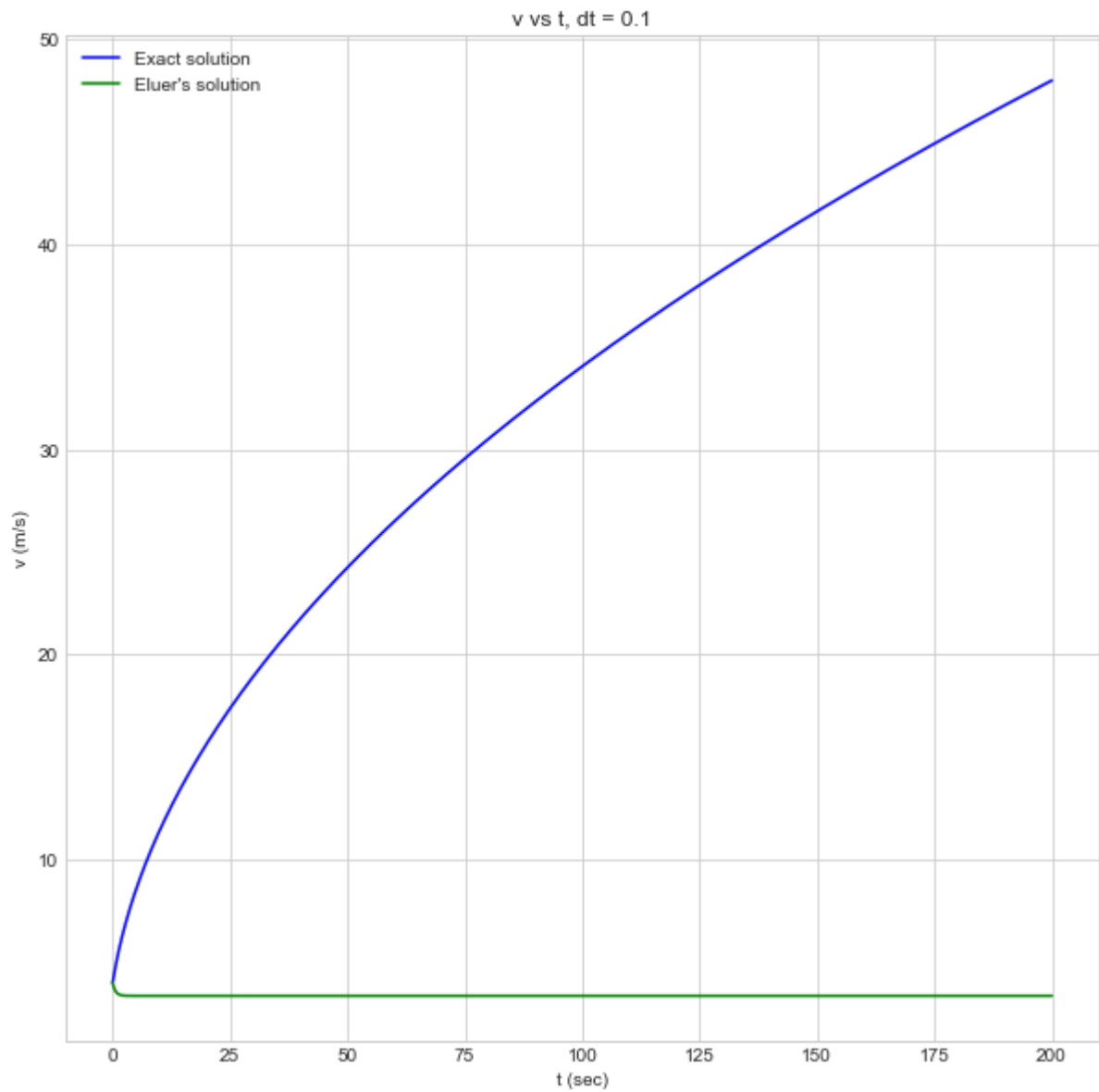
A = 0.15

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In [5]: euler( f      = der_1st_air_drag,  
              a      = 0,  
              b      = 200,  
              dt     = 0.1,  
              x_0     = 4  
            )
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A = 0.15 vs A = 0

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In [6]: euler( f      = der_1st_air_drag,  
              a      = 0,  
              b      = 200,  
              dt     = 0.1,  
              x_0    = 4,  
              x_exact = v_exact  
            )
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Problem 3

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Show that the Verlet algorithm to solve a 2nd-order ODE,

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = F(x, t)/m$$

has an error in the order of magnitude of $O(\Delta t^4)$:

$$x(t + \Delta t) = 2x(t) - x(t - \Delta t) + \left[\frac{F(x(t))}{m}\right]\Delta t^2$$

Hint: using Taylor expansion for $x(t+\Delta t)$ and $x(t-\Delta t)$.

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Final Solution Problem 3

Solution Problem 3

Taylor expansion for $x(t+\Delta t)$,

$$x(t+\Delta t) \approx x(t) + \frac{dx}{dt} \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} \Delta t^2 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

& Taylor expansion for $x(t-\Delta t)$,

$$x(t-\Delta t) \approx x(t) - \frac{dx}{dt} \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} \Delta t^2 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Now, (i) + (ii)

$$x(t+\Delta t) + x(t-\Delta t) = 2x(t) + \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} \Delta t^2$$

$$\therefore \boxed{x(t+\Delta t) = 2x(t) - x(t-\Delta t) + \left[\frac{F(x(t))}{m} \right] \Delta t^2}$$

Error $O(\Delta t^4)$

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