

# ORDINARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

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- Weekly Moodle post
  - Week 10 Moodle announcement
- Lab-related items
  - Lab 7 marks and feedback available on Moodle Grade Book
  - Lab 8 solutions available on Gdrive > Labs
- PASS Sessions
  - 1) Monday (3:30-5:30pm MYT , 6:30-8:30pm AEDT):  
<https://monash.zoom.us/j/89128532133?pwd=VVVOenhDbW5xZ3h6ZFRZR1dieVhldz09>
  - 2) Tuesday (12-2pm MYT , 3-6pm AEDT):  
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- Assignment due next Friday (22 Jan 2021, 8pm MYT / 11pm AEDT)
  - Remember that it is an individual assessment
  - Use the support avenue available (e.g. discussion board, etc.)
  - Assignment-marking schedule release next week

	Group 01 (Tuesday 9am MYT / 12 Noon AEDT)		
	Christopher Ng		
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9.00am - 9.30am			
9.30am - 10.00am			
10.00am - 10.30am			
10.30am - 11.00am			
11.00am - 11.30am			
11.30am - 12.00noon			

- SETU questionnaire is now open for a limited time
  - Please spend 5-10 minutes to complete this during the workshop
  - Always seeking feedback and striving for continuous improvement

1. Understanding methods for solving ordinary differential equations (ODEs)
  - a. Euler's
  - b. Heun's
  - c. Midpoint
2. Creating function files for ODE-solving methods
3. Solving ODEs
4. Using `ode45()`



- The generic 1<sup>st</sup>-order ODE is given as

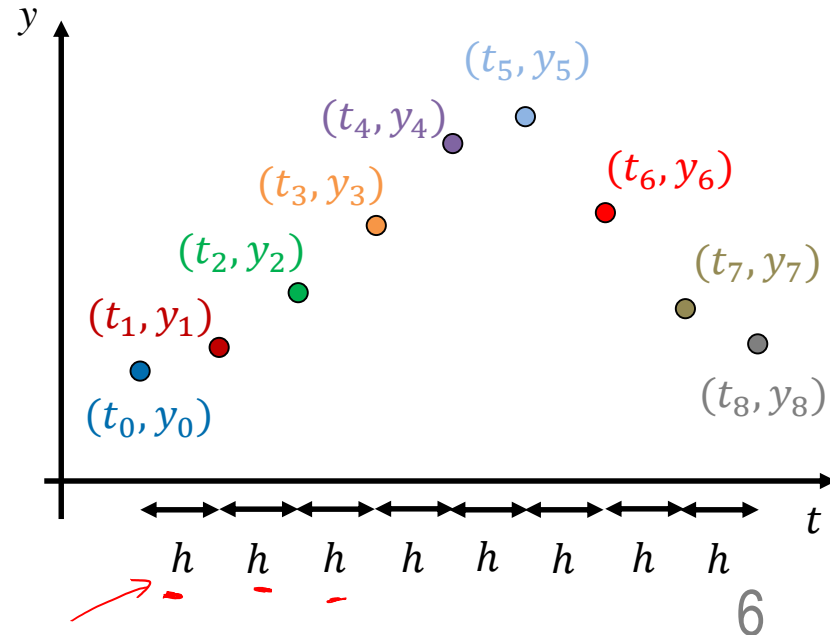
$$\frac{dy}{dt} = f(t, y) \quad \checkmark$$

- Starting with initial condition  $(t_0, y_0)$ 
  - Determine the next point  $(t_1, y_1)$  using slope  $\phi$  information

$$\checkmark \quad y_{i+1} \cong y_i + h\phi$$

↙ step

- Then use  $(t_1, y_1)$  and slope  $\phi$  information to determine  $(t_2, y_2)$ 
  - Repeat until you get to your desired  $t$  value



# RECAP: ODE-SOLVING METHODS

$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + h\phi$$

Method	Evaluate derivative at ...	Local error	Global error
Euler	Point $i$ $\phi = \frac{dy_i}{dt_i} = f(t_i, y_i)$ <p><i>derivative</i> (pointing to <math>\frac{dy_i}{dt_i}</math>)  <i>current pt.</i> (pointing to <math>t_i, y_i</math>)</p>	$O(h^2)$	$O(h)$
Heun's	Point $i$ and predicted $i + 1$ – then averaged $\phi = \frac{f(t_i, y_i) + f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1}^0)}{2}$ <p><i>current pt.</i> (pointing to <math>f(t_i, y_i)</math>)  <i>predicted pt.</i> (pointing to <math>f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1}^0)</math>)</p>	$O(h^3)$	$O(h^2)$
Midpoint	Half way between point $i$ and $i + 1$ $\phi = f(t_{i+1/2}, y_{i+1/2})$	$O(h^3)$	$O(h^2)$

## RECAP: EULER'S METHOD



$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + hf$$

Steps for Euler's method:

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + hf(t_i, y_i)$$

1. Starting condition ( $i = 0$ )

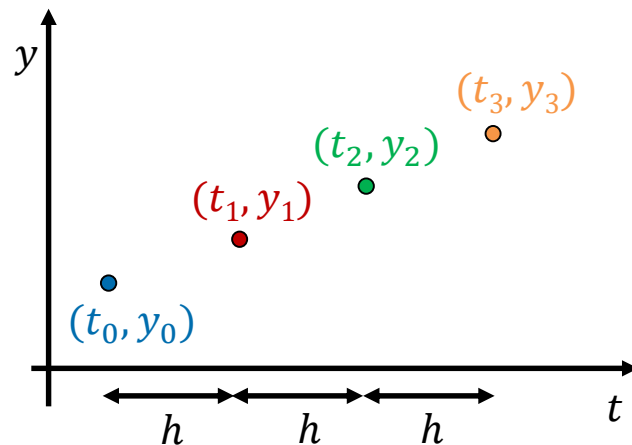
$$y_1 = y_0 + hf(t_0, y_0)$$

2. Euler's method for  $i = 1$

$$y_2 = y_1 + hf(t_1, y_1)$$

3. Euler's method for  $i = 2$

$$y_3 = y_2 + hf(t_2, y_2)$$





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## ACTIVITY: STEEPNESS

EULER.M, STEEPNESS.M

The gradient of a terrain is described by  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , where  $x$  is the horizontal distance and  $y$  is the vertical distance

### Process:

1. Understand Euler's method by hand
2. Write a function file for Euler's method
3. Solve the ordinary differential equation

Activity involves:

1. Hand calculations
2. Writing a function file

Equations:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x - y^2$$

$$y(0) = 2$$

$$h = 0.5$$

$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + hf(t_i, y_i)$$

MATLAB commands:

`for i = ...`

`y = ones(...)`

`error(...)`

`f = @(x,y) ...`

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MATLAB commands:

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The gradient of a terrain is described by  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ , where  $x$  is the horizontal distance and  $y$  is the vertical distance

1. Solve for  $y(1)$  by hand ✓  
→  $y?$  when  $x=1 = 0.25$

2. Write a function with the following header:  $[t,y] = \text{euler}(\text{dydt}, \text{tspan}, y_0, h)$

3. Use  $\text{euler}()$  to verify  $y(1)$  in step 1

4. Modify the code so that it can solve for  $y(1.25)$  using  $h = 0.5$

$i$	$x_i$	$y_i$	$dy_i/dx_i$
0	0	2	-4
1	0.5	0	0.5 ✓
2	1	0.25	0.9375

Handwritten calculations and annotations:

- For  $i=1$ :  $x_{i+1} = x_i + h = 0 + 0.5 = 0.5$
- For  $i=1$ :  $y_{i+1} = y_i + hf(t_i, y_i) = 2 + 0.5(-4) = 0$
- For  $i=2$ :  $x_{i+1} = x_i + h = 0.5 + 0.5 = 1$
- For  $i=2$ :  $y_{i+1} = y_i + hf(t_i, y_i) = 0 + 0.5(0.5) = 0.25$

# RECAP: MIDPOINT METHOD

$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + h\phi$$

Steps for the midpoint method:

$$y_{i+1/2} = y_i + \frac{h}{2} f(t_i, y_i)$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + hf(t_{i+1/2}, y_{i+1/2})$$

1. Starting condition ( $i = 0$ )

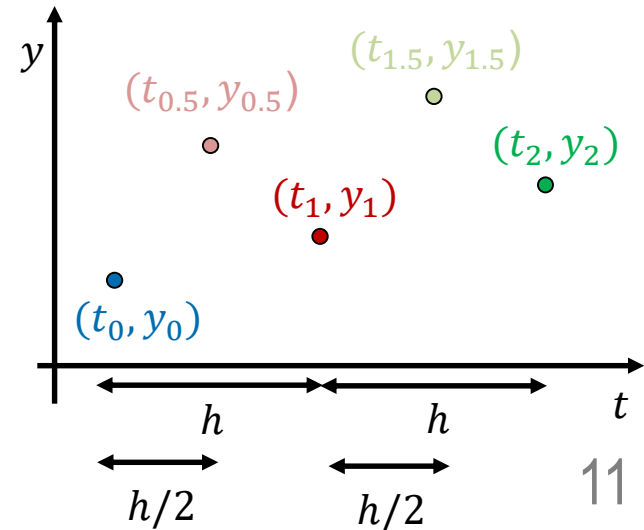
$$y_{0.5} = y_0 + \frac{h}{2} f(t_0, y_0)$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + hf(t_{0.5}, y_{0.5})$$

2. Euler's method for  $i = 1$

$$y_{1.5} = y_1 + \frac{h}{2} f(t_1, y_1)$$

$$y_2 = y_1 + hf(t_{1.5}, y_{1.5})$$



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## ACTIVITY: OBJECT

MIDPOINT.M, OBJECT.M

An accelerating object is heavily resisted by an unknown fluid, which is described by  $\frac{dv}{dt}$

### Process:

1. Understand the midpoint method by hand
2. Write the midpoint method function file
3. Solve the ordinary differential equation

Activity involves:

1. Hand calculations
2. Writing a function file

Equations:

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = t - v$$

$$v(0) = 1$$

$$h = 0.5$$

$$y_{i+1/2} = y_i + \frac{h}{2} f(t_i, y_i)$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h f(t_{i+1/2}, y_{i+1/2})$$

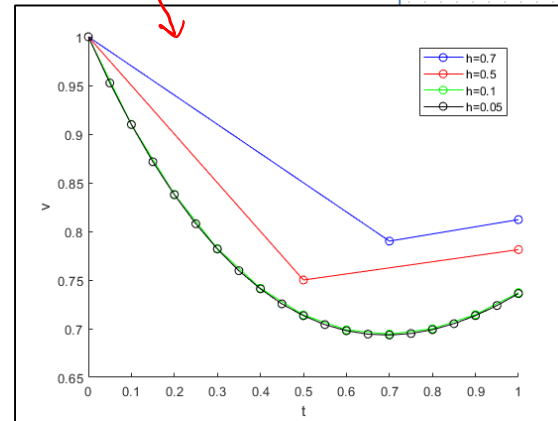
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Equations:

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = t - v$$

$$v(0) = 1$$

$$h = 0.5$$

$$y_{i+1/2} = y_i + \frac{h}{2} f(t_i, y_i)$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + h f(t_{i+1/2}, y_{i+1/2})$$

1. Solve for  $v(1)$  by hand

2. Write a function with the following header:  $[t,y] = \text{midpoint}(\text{dydt}, \text{tspan}, y_0, h)$

3. Plot  $v$  against  $t$  for  $h = 0.7, 0.5, 0.1$  and  $0.05$ ?

$i$	$t_i$	$v_i$	$f(t_i, v_i)$	$t_{i+1/2}$	$v_{i+1/2}$	$f(t_{i+1/2}, v_{i+1/2})$
0	0	1	-1	0.25	0.75	-0.5
1	0.5	0.75	-0.25	0.75	0.6875	0.0625
2	1					

$$v(0) = 1$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = t - v$$

$t_{\text{half}}$

$v_{\text{half}}$

$$v_i + \frac{h}{2} f(t_i, v_i) = 1 + \frac{0.5}{2} (-1)$$

$$1 + 0.5(-0.5)$$

$h = 0.5$

# RECAP: HEUN'S METHOD

$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + h\phi$$

Steps for Heun's method:

$$y_{i+1}^0 = y_i + hf(t_i, y_i)$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{2} (f(t_i, y_i) + f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1}^0))$$

*avg grad* (pointing to the average of the two function values)  
*pred.* (pointing to  $y_{i+1}^0$ )

1. Starting condition ( $i = 0$ )

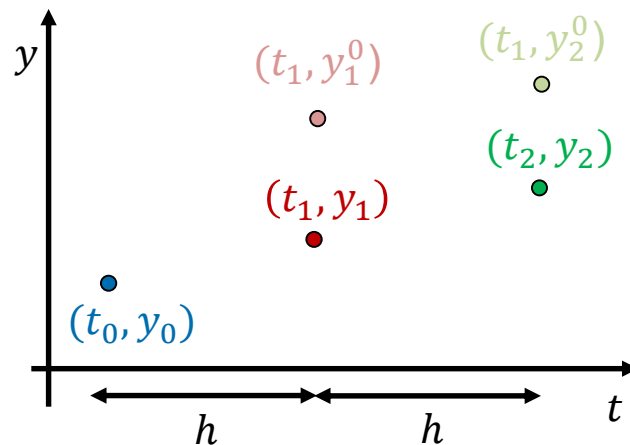
$$y_1^0 = y_0 + hf(t_0, y_0)$$

$$y_1 = y_0 + \frac{h}{2} (f(t_0, y_0) + f(t_1, y_1^0))$$

2. Euler's method for  $i = 1$

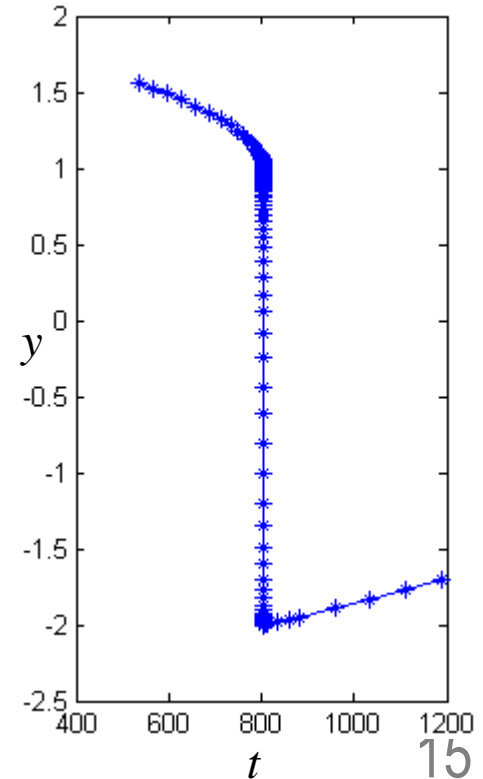
$$y_2^0 = y_1 + hf(t_1, y_1)$$

$$y_2 = y_1 + \frac{h}{2} (f(t_1, y_1) + f(t_2, y_2^0))$$



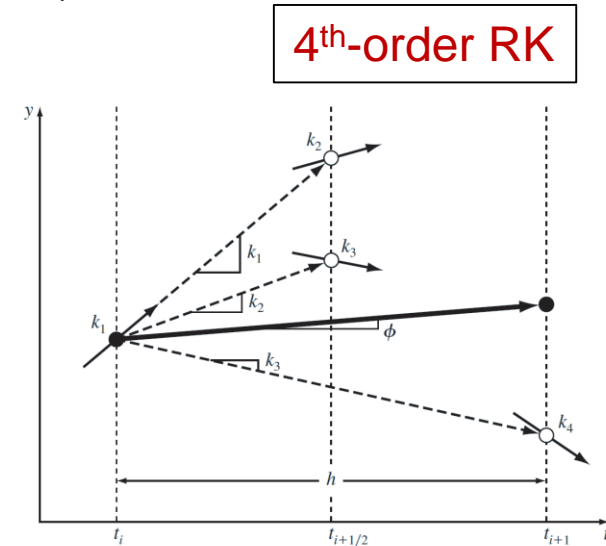
# ADAPTIVE STEP-SIZE METHODS

- **Function gradients can change rapidly**
  - For most of the range of  $t$ ,  $y$  changes gradually, so a large step size can be used
  - In regions where the solution undergoes an abrupt change, a much smaller step size is required for accuracy
- **Adaptive step-size methods dynamically adjust their step size based on an estimate of the local gradient of the solution**



# IN-BUILT MATLAB ODE SOLVERS

- MATLAB provides several built-in functions for adaptive methods
  - Most common are ode23, ode45, ode113 (there are others)
- ode45() simultaneously uses 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>-order Runge-Kutta methods
  - Algorithm developed by Dormand and Prince (1980)
  - Use ode45 first if the characteristics of the system are not well known





$[T, Y] = \text{ode45}(\text{odefun}, \text{tspan}, Y0)$

<b>odefun</b>	A function handle that evaluates the RHS of the differential equation
<b>tspan</b>	A vector specifying the interval in ascending order $[t_0 \ t_f]$ – displays solution at the adaptive independent values $[t_0 \ t_1 \ t_2 \ \dots \ t_f]$ – displays solution at specified independent values
<b>Y0</b>	Initial condition
<b>T</b>	Column vector of the independent variable
<b>Y</b>	Solution array. Each row in Y corresponds to the solution at a time returned in the corresponding row of T

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## ACTIVITY: OBJECT II

HEUN.M, OBJECT2.M

An accelerating object heavily resisted by an unknown fluid is described by  $\frac{dv}{dt}$

### Process:

1. Understand the Heun's method by hand
2. Write the Heun's function file
3. Solve the ordinary differential equation

Activity involves:

1. Writing a function file
2. Using ode45()

Equations:

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = t - v^2$$

$$v(5) = 1$$

$$h = 0.5$$

$$y_{i+1}^0 = y_i + hf(t_i, y_i)$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{2} (f(t_i, y_i) + f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1}^0))$$

MATLAB commands:

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f = @(x) ...
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```
[t, y] = ode45(...)
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## ACTIVITY: OBJECT II

HEUN.M, OBJECT2.M

1. Write a function with the following header: `[t,y] = heun(dydt,tspan,y0,h)`
2. Plot  $v$  for  $t = 5$  to  $10$  using
  - a. Euler's, Heun's and midpoint methods
  - b. `ode45`

Equations:

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = t - v^2$$

$$v(5) = 1$$

$$h = 0.5$$

$$y_{i+1}^0 = y_i + hf(t_i, y_i)$$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{2} (f(t_i, y_i) + f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1}^0))$$

MATLAB commands:

`f = @(x,y) ...`

`[t, y] = ode45(...)`

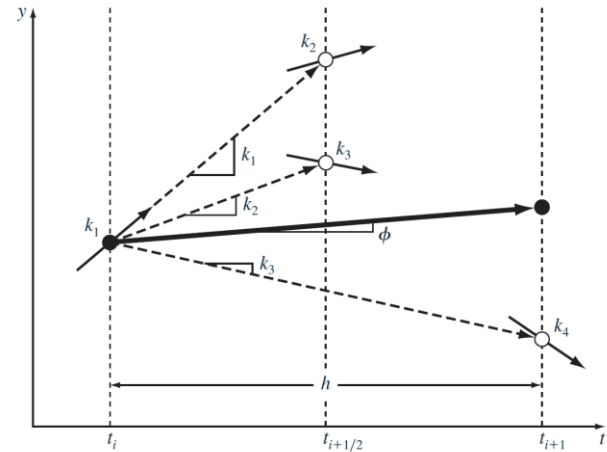
$i$	$t_i$	$v_i$	$dv_i/dt_i$	$t_{i+1}$	$v_{i+1}^0$	$dv_{i+1}^0/dt_{i+1}$
0	5	1	4	5.5	3	-3.5
1	5.5	1.125	4.2344	6	3.2422	-4.5118
2	6	1.0556				

## NOT-EXAMINABLE: 4<sup>th</sup>-ORDER RUNGE-KUTTA

The 4<sup>th</sup>-order Runge-Kutta method uses a weighted average of four slopes.

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{k_1}{6} + \frac{k_2}{3} + \frac{k_3}{3} + \frac{k_4}{6} + O(h^5)$$

- $k_1 = hf(x_i, y_i)$
- $k_2 = hf\left(x_i + \frac{h}{2}, y_i + \frac{k_1}{2}\right)$
- $k_3 = hf\left(x_i + \frac{h}{2}, y_i + \frac{k_2}{2}\right)$
- $k_4 = hf(x_i + h, y_i + k_3)$



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- ~~7. Roots and optimisation~~
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- ~~10. Ordinary differential equations~~
- 11. Linear systems**
- 12. Exam information

You can now complete lab 10!

# SUPPLEMENTARY SLIDES

Steps for Euler's method:

$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + hf(t_i, y_i)$$

1. Starting condition ( $i = 0$ )

$$y_1 \cong y_0 + hf(t_0, y_0)$$

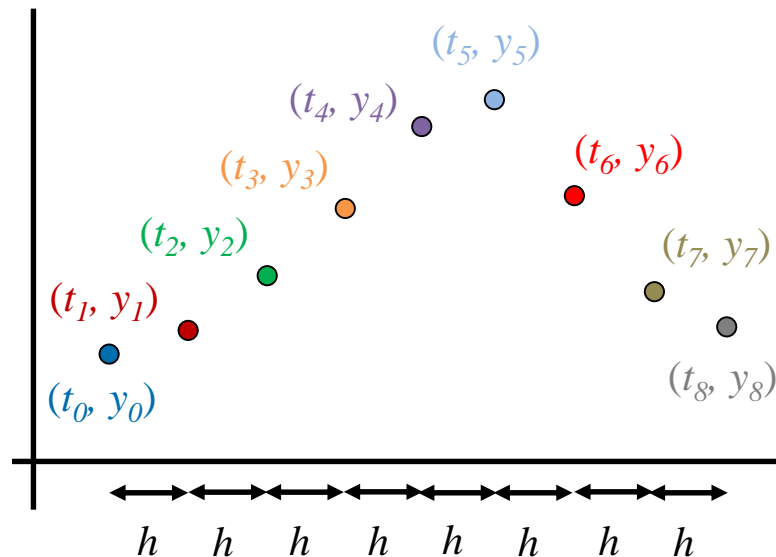
2. Euler's method for  $i = 1$

$$y_2 \cong y_1 + hf(t_1, y_1)$$

3. Euler's method for  $i = 2$

$$y_3 \cong y_2 + hf(t_2, y_2)$$

$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + h\phi$$





# RECAP: ERROR IN EULER'S METHOD

## Local truncation error:

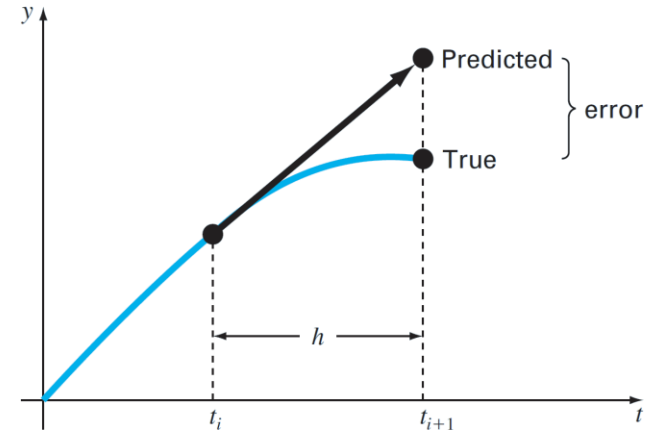
- Arises from the application of Euler's method over a single step
- A consequence of the method only being approximate
- The error in a single step of Euler's method given by

$$\epsilon_{\text{loc}} \cong \frac{h^2}{2} \left. \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} \right|_{t=t_i}$$

## Error decreases quadratically

- Smaller step size = smaller error
- E.g.  $\frac{1}{2}$  step size =  $\frac{1}{4}$  error

$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + hf(t_i, y_i)$$

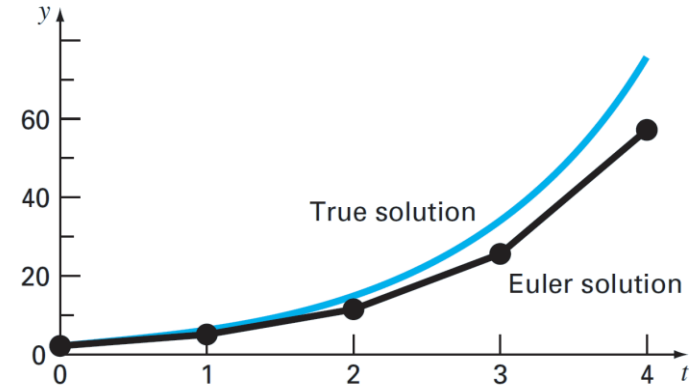


# RECAP: ERROR IN EULER'S METHOD

- **Propagated truncation error:**
  - Accumulation of local truncation errors from the previous steps
- **Global truncation error**
  - Arises from an accumulation of local errors PLUS propagation of error in the solution from previous steps

Errors:  $\varepsilon_{\text{loc}} \sim O(h^2)$  and  $\varepsilon_{\text{global}} \sim O(h)$

$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + hf(t_i, y_i)$$



# RECAP: HEUN'S METHOD

- Heun's method averages
  - The slope at the beginning of the step and
  - The slope at the end of the step

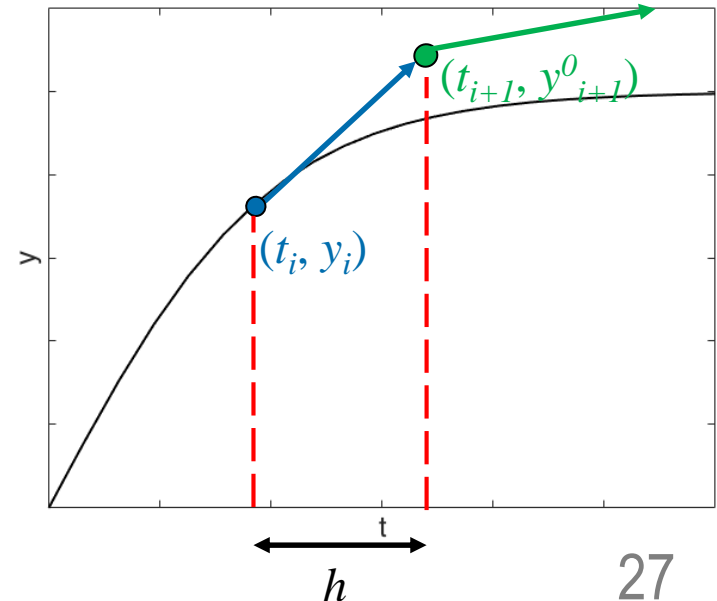
- Predictor step:  $y_{i+1}^0$ 
  - Estimated using Euler's method

$$y_{i+1}^0 = y_i + hf(t_i, y_i)$$

- Averages slopes at  $t_i$  and  $t_{i+1}$

$$\frac{f(t_i, y_i) + f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1}^0)}{2}$$

$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + h\phi$$



# RECAP: HEUN'S METHOD

- **Corrector step:**  $y_{i+1}$ 
  - Uses the averaged slope at  $t_i$  and  $t_{i+1}$

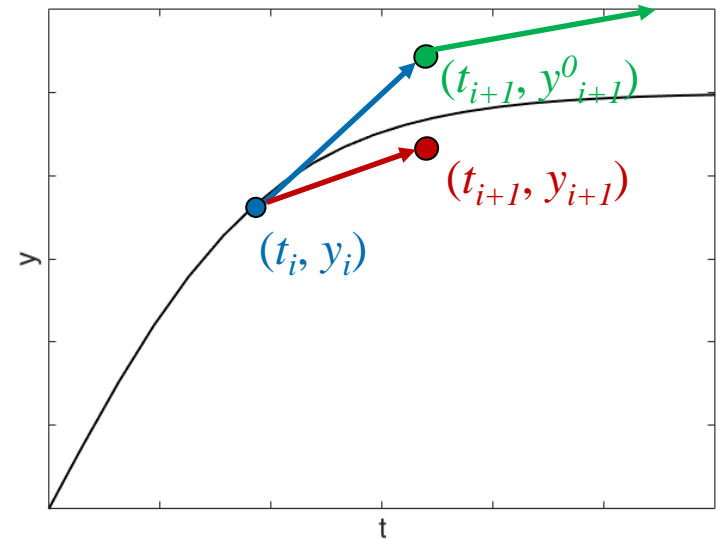
$$y_{i+1} = y_i + \frac{h}{2} (f(t_i, y_i) + f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1}^0))$$

- That is, the slope is given by

$$\phi = \frac{h}{2} \left( \frac{dy_i}{dt_i} + \frac{dy_{i+1}^0}{dt_{i+1}} \right) = \frac{f(t_i, y_i) + f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1}^0)}{2}$$

- **Errors:**  $\varepsilon_{\text{loc}} \sim O(h^3)$  and  $\varepsilon_{\text{global}} \sim O(h^2)$

$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + h\phi$$



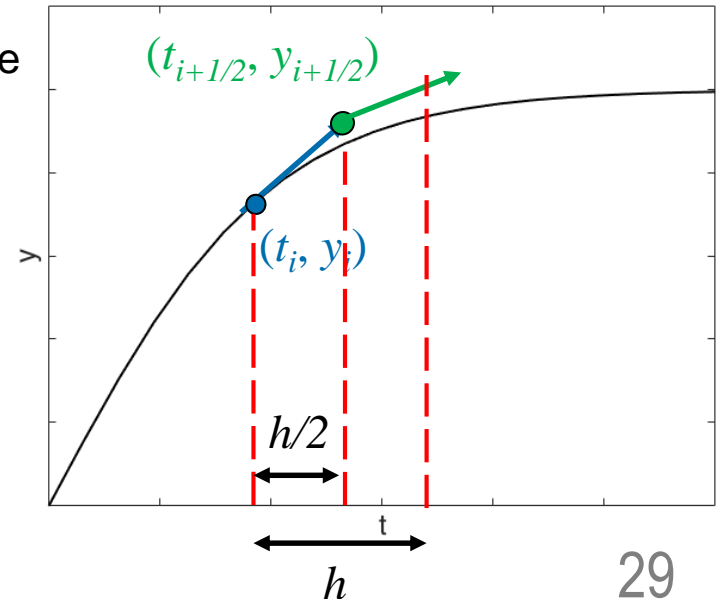
# RECAP: MIDPOINT METHOD

- Midpoint method uses the slope at the midpoint
- Predictor step:  $y_{i+1/2}$ 
  - Estimated using Euler's method with half step size

$$y_{i+1/2} = y_i + \frac{h}{2} f(t_i, y_i)$$

- Slope at midpoint is given by  $f(t_{i+1/2}, y_{i+1/2})$

$$y_{i+1} \cong y_i + h\phi$$



# RECAP: MIDPOINT METHOD

- **Corrector step:**  $y_{i+1}$ 
  - Uses the slope at  $t_{i+1/2}$  for the full step  $h$

$$y_{i+1} = y_i + hf(t_{i+1/2}, y_{i+1/2})$$

- Slope is given by

$$\phi = \frac{dy_{i+1/2}}{dt_{i+1/2}} = f(t_{i+1/2}, y_{i+1/2})$$

- **Errors:**  $\varepsilon_{\text{loc}} \sim O(h^3)$  and  $\varepsilon_{\text{global}} \sim O(h^2)$

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