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#### IF420 – ANALISIS NUMERIK

Pertemuan ke 12 – Ordinary Differential Equation - Initial Value Problems

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Sub-CPMK 12: Mahasiswa mampu memahami dan menerapkan Ordinary Differential Equations: Permasalahan nilai awal – C3





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#### Motivation

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- Differential equations are relationships between a function and its derivatives, and
  they are used to model systems in every engineering and science field.
- For example, a simple differential equation relates the acceleration of a car with its position.
- Unlike differentiation where analytic solutions can usually be computed, in general finding exact solutions to differential equations is very hard.
- Therefore, numerical solutions are critical to making these equations useful for designing and understanding engineering and science systems.
- This lesson covers ordinary differential equations with specified initial values, a subclass of differential equations problems called initial value problems.
- To reflect the importance of this class of problem, Python has a whole suite of functions to solve this kind of problem.



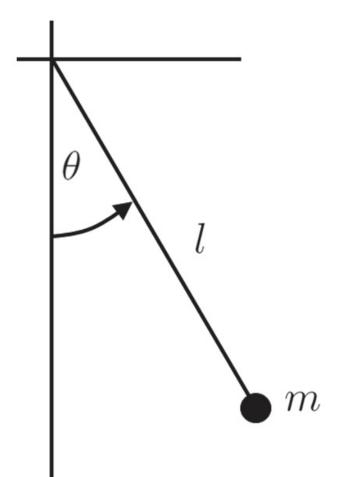
- A differential equation is a relationship between a function, f(x), its independent variable, x, and any number of its derivatives.
- An ordinary differential equation or ODE is a differential equation where the independent variable, and therefore also the derivatives, is in one dimension.
- Here, we assume that an ODE can be written

$$F\left(x, f(x), \frac{df(x)}{dx}, \frac{d^2f(x)}{dx^2}, \frac{d^3f(x)}{dx^3}, \dots, \frac{d^{n-1}f(x)}{dx^{n-1}}\right) = \frac{d^nf(x)}{dx^n},$$

where F is an **arbitrary function** that incorporates one or all of the input arguments, and n is the **order** of the differential equation.

• This equation is referred to as an n-th order ODE.





- To give an **example** of an ODE, consider a **pendulum** of length l with a mass, m, at its end (see the left figure).
- The **angle** the pendulum makes with the **vertical axis** over time,  $\Theta(t)$ , in the presence of vertical gravity, g, can be described by the pendulum equation, which is the ODE

$$ml\frac{d^2\Theta(t)}{dt^2} = -mg\sin(\Theta(t))$$

This equation can be derived by summing the forces in the x and y direction, and then changing them to polar coordinates.



- In contrast, a partial differential equation or PDE is a general form of differential equation where x is a vector containing the independent variables  $x_1, x_2, x_3, ..., x_m$ , and the partial derivatives can be of any order and with respect to any combination of variables.
- An example of a PDE is the heat equation, which describes the evolution of temperature in space over time:

$$\frac{\partial u(t,x,y,z)}{\partial t} = \alpha \left( \frac{\partial u(t,x,y,z)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u(t,x,y,z)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u(t,x,y,z)}{\partial z} \right).$$

• Here, u(t, x, y, z) is the temperature at (x, y, z) at time t, and  $\alpha$  is a thermal diffusion constant.



- A general solution to a differential equation is a g(x) that satisfies the differential equation.
- Although there are usually many solutions to a differential equation, they are still hard to find.
- For an ODE of order n, a particular solution is a p(x) that satisfies the differential equation and n explicitly known values of the solution, or its derivatives, at certain points.
- Generally stated, p(x) must satisfy the differential equation and  $p^{(j)}(x_i) = p_i$ , where  $p^{(j)}$  is the j-th derivative of p, for n triplets,  $(j, x_i, p_i)$ .
- For the purpose of this lesson, we refer to the particular solution simply as the solution.



• **Example**: Returning to the pendulum example, if we assume the angles are very small (i.e.,  $\sin(\Theta(t)) \approx \Theta(t)$ ), then the pendulum equation reduces to

$$l\frac{d^2\Theta(t)}{dt^2} = -g\Theta(t).$$

- Verify that  $\Theta(t) = \cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{g}{l}}t\right)$  is a **general solution** to the pendulum equation.
- If the angle and angular velocities at t=0 are the known values,  $\Theta_0$  and 0, respectively, verify that  $\Theta(t)=\Theta_0\cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{g}{l}}\,t\right)$  is a **particular solution** for these known values.

• For the **general solution**, the derivatives of  $\Theta(t)$  are

$$\frac{d\Theta(t)}{dt} = -\sqrt{\frac{g}{l}}\sin\left(\sqrt{\frac{g}{l}}t\right)$$



and

$$\frac{d^2\Theta(t)}{dt^2} = -\frac{g}{l}\cos\left(\sqrt{\frac{g}{l}}t\right)$$

- By plugging the **second derivative** back into the differential equation on the left side, it is easy to verify that  $\Theta(t)$  satisfies the equation and so is a **general solution**.
- For the **particular solution**, the  $\Theta_0$  coefficient will carry through the derivatives, and it can be verified that the equation is satisfied.
- $\Theta(0) = \Theta_0 \cos(0) = \Theta_0$ , and  $0 = -\Theta_0 \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}} \sin(0) = 0$ , therefore the **particular solution** also satisfies the known values.



- A pendulum swinging at small angles is a very uninteresting pendulum indeed.
- Unfortunately, there is no explicit solution for the pendulum equation with large angles
  that is as simple algebraically.
- Since this system is much simpler than most practical engineering systems and has no obvious analytic solution, the need for numerical solutions to ODEs is clear.
- A common set of known values for an ODE solution is the initial value.
- For an ODE of order n, the **initial value** is a known value for the 0-th to (n-1)-th **derivatives** at x = 0, f(0),  $f^{(1)}(0)$ ,  $f^{(2)}(0)$ , ...,  $f^{(n-1)}(0)$ .
- For a certain class of ordinary differential equations, the initial value is sufficient to find
  a unique particular solution.
- Finding a solution to an ODE given an initial value is called the initial value problem.



- Although the name suggests we will only cover ODEs that evolve in time, initial value problems can also include systems that evolve in other dimensions, such as space.
- Intuitively, the pendulum equation can be solved as an initial value problem because under only the force of gravity, an initial position and velocity should be sufficient to describe the motion of the pendulum for all time afterward.
- The remainder of this lesson covers several methods of numerically approximating the solution to initial value problems on a numerical grid.
- Although initial value problems encompass more than just differential equations in time, we use time as the independent variable.
- We also use **several notations** for the **derivative** of f(t): f'(t),  $f^{(1)}(t)$ ,  $\frac{df(t)}{dt}$ , and  $\dot{f}$ , whichever is most convenient for the context.

#### Reduction of Order



- Many numerical methods for solving initial value problems are designed specifically to solve first-order differential equations.
- To make these solvers useful for solving **higher order differential equations**, we must often **reduce** the **order** of the **differential equation** to **first order**.
- To reduce the order of a differential equation, consider a **vector**, S(t), which is the **state** of the **system** as a **function** of **time**.
- In general, the state of a system is a collection of all the dependent variables that are relevant to the behavior of the system.
- Recalling that the ODEs of interest can be expressed as

$$f^{(n)}(t) = F(t, f(t), f^{(1)}(t), f^{(2)}(t), \dots, f^{(n-1)}(t))$$

• For initial value problems, it is useful to take the state to be



$$S(t) = \begin{bmatrix} f(t) \\ f^{(1)}(t) \\ f^{(2)}(t) \\ \dots \\ f^{(n-1)}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

Then the derivative of the state is

$$\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} f^{(1)}(t) \\ f^{(2)}(t) \\ f^{(3)}(t) \\ \dots \\ f^{(n)}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f^{(1)}(t) \\ f^{(2)}(t) \\ f^{(3)}(t) \\ \dots \\ F(t, f(t), f^{(1)}(t), \dots, f^{(n-1)}(t)) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_2(t) \\ S_3(t) \\ S_4(t) \\ \dots \\ F(t, S_1(t), S_2(t), \dots, S_{n-1}(t)) \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $S_i(t)$  is the *i*-th element of S(t).

### Reduction of Order



- With the **state** written in this way,  $\frac{dS(t)}{dt}$  can be written using only S(t) (i.e., no f(t)) or its derivatives.
- In particular,  $\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = \mathcal{F}(t, S(t))$ , where  $\mathcal{F}$  is a **function** that appropriately assembles the **vector** describing the **derivative** of the **state**.
- This equation is in the form of a first-order differential equation in S.
- Essentially, what we have done is turn an n-th order ODE into n first order ODEs that are coupled together, meaning they share the same terms.
- Example: Reduce the second order pendulum equation to first order, where

$$S(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \Theta(t) \\ \dot{\Theta}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

• Taking the **derivative** of S(t) and **substituting** gives the correct expression.

$$\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} S_2(t) \\ g \\ -\frac{g}{l} S_1(t) \end{bmatrix}$$



It happens that this ODE can be written in matrix form:

$$\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{g}{l} & 0 \end{bmatrix} S(t)$$

- ODEs that can be written in this way are said to be linear ODEs.
- Although reducing the order of an ODE to first order results in an ODE with multiple variables, all the derivatives are still taken with respect to the same independent variable, t. Therefore, the ordinariness of the differential equation is retained.
- It is worth noting that the state can hold multiple dependent variables and their derivatives as long as the derivatives are with respect to the same independent variable.

• **Example**: A very simple model to describe the change in population of rabbits, r(t), and wolves, w(t), might be



$$\frac{dr(t)}{dt} = 4r(t) - 2w(t)$$

and

$$\frac{dw(t)}{dt} = r(t) + w(t)$$

- The first ODE says that at each time step, the rabbit population multiplies by 4, but each
  wolf eats two of the rabbits. The second ODE says that at each time step, the population
  of wolves increases by the number of rabbits and wolves in the system.
- Write this system of differential equations as an equivalent differential equation in S(t) where

$$S(t) = \begin{bmatrix} r(t) \\ w(t) \end{bmatrix}.$$

The following first-order ODE is equivalent to the pair of ODEs.

$$\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} S(t).$$

#### The Euler Method



- Let  $\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = F(t, S(t))$  be an explicitly defined **first order** ODE. That is, F is a function that returns the **derivative**, or **change**, of a state given a time and state value.
- Also, let t be a numerical grid of the interval  $[t_0, t_f]$  with spacing h. Without loss of generality, we assume that  $t_0 = 0$ , and that  $t_f = Nh$  for some positive integer, N.
- The linear approximation of S(t) around  $t_j$  at  $t_{j+1}$  is

$$S(t_{j+1}) = S(t_j) + (t_{j+1} - t_j) \frac{dS(t_j)}{dt}$$

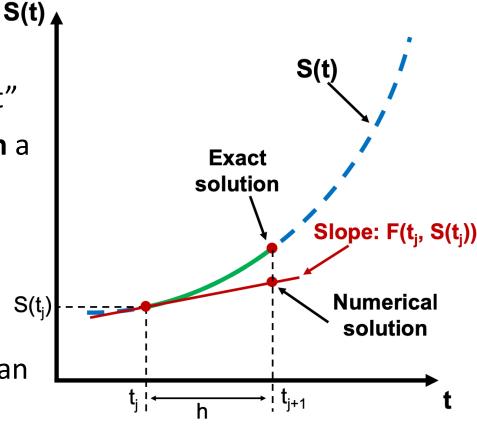
which can also be written

$$S(t_{j+1}) = S(t_j) + hF(t_j, S(t_j)).$$

This formula is called the **Explicit Euler Formula**, and it allows us to compute an **approximation** for the **state** at  $S(t_{i+1})$  given the state at  $S(t_i)$ .



- Starting from a given **initial value** of  $S_0 = S(t_0)$ , we can use this formula to integrate the states up to  $S(t_f)$ ; these S(t) values are then an **approximation** for the **solution** of the differential equation.
- The **Explicit Euler** formula is the **simplest** and **most** intuitive method for solving initial value problems.
- At any state  $(t_j, S(t_j))$ , it uses F at that state to "point" toward the next state and then moves in that direction a distance of h.
- Although there are more **sophisticated** and **accurate** methods for solving these problems, they all have the same fundamental structure.
- As such, we enumerate explicitly the steps for solving an initial value problem using the **Explicit Euler** formula. IF420 – ANALISIS NUMERIK – 2024/2025



• WHAT IS HAPPENING? Assume we are given a function F(t, S(t)) that computes  $\frac{dS(t)}{dt}$ , a numerical grid, t, of the interval,  $[t_0, t_f]$ , and an initial state value  $S_0 = S(t_0)$ . We can compute  $S(t_i)$  for every  $t_i$  in t using the following steps.



- 1. Store  $S_0 = S(t_0)$  in an array, S.
- 2. Compute  $S(t_1) = S_0 + hF(t_0, S_0)$ .
- 3. Store  $S_1 = S(t_1)$  in S.
- 4. Compute  $S(t_2) = S_1 + hF(t_1, S_1)$ .
- 5. Store  $S_2 = S(t_2)$  in S.
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- 7. Compute  $S(t_f) = S_{f-1} + hF(t_{f-1}, S_{f-1})$ .
- 8. Store  $S_f = S(t_f)$  in S.
- 9. S is an approximation of the solution to the initial value problem.
- When using a method with this structure, we say the method integrates the solution of the ODE.

**Example**: The differential equation  $\frac{df(t)}{dt} = e^{-t}$  with initial condition  $f_0 = -1$  has the exact solution  $f(t) = -e^{-t}$ . Approximate the solution to this **initial** value problem between 0 and 1 in increments of 0.1 using the **Explicit Euler Formula**. Plot the difference between the approximated solution and the exact solution.

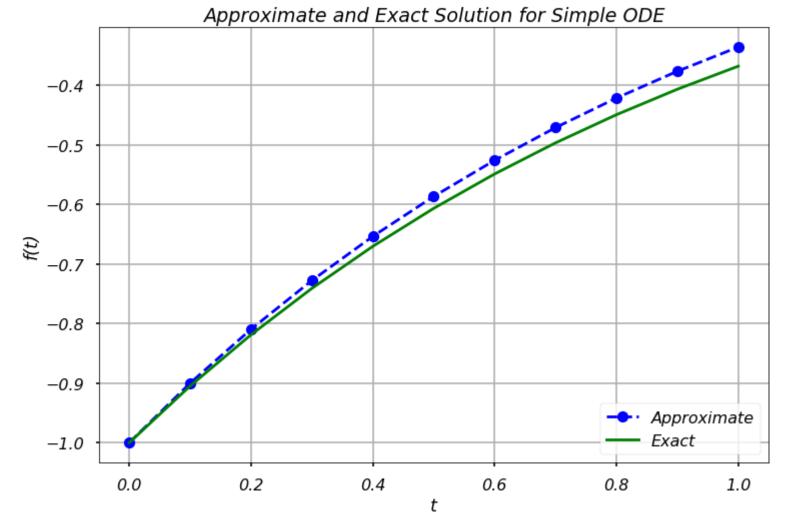
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import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

plt.style.use('seaborn-poster')
%matplotlib inline

# Define parameters
f = lambda t, s: np.exp(-t) # ODE
h = 0.1 # Step size
t = np.arange(0, 1 + h, h) # Numerical grid
s0 = -1 # Initial Condition
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# Explicit Euler Method
s = np.zeros(len(t))
5[0] = 50
for i in range(0, len(t) - 1):
   s[i + 1] = s[i] + h*f(t[i], s[i])
plt.figure(figsize = (12, 8))
plt.plot(t, s, 'bo--', label='Approximate')
plt.plot(t, -np.exp(-t), 'g', label='Exact')
plt.title('Approximate and Exact Solution \
for Simple ODE')
plt.xlabel('t')
plt.ylabel('f(t)')
plt.grid()
plt.legend(loc='lower right')
plt.show()
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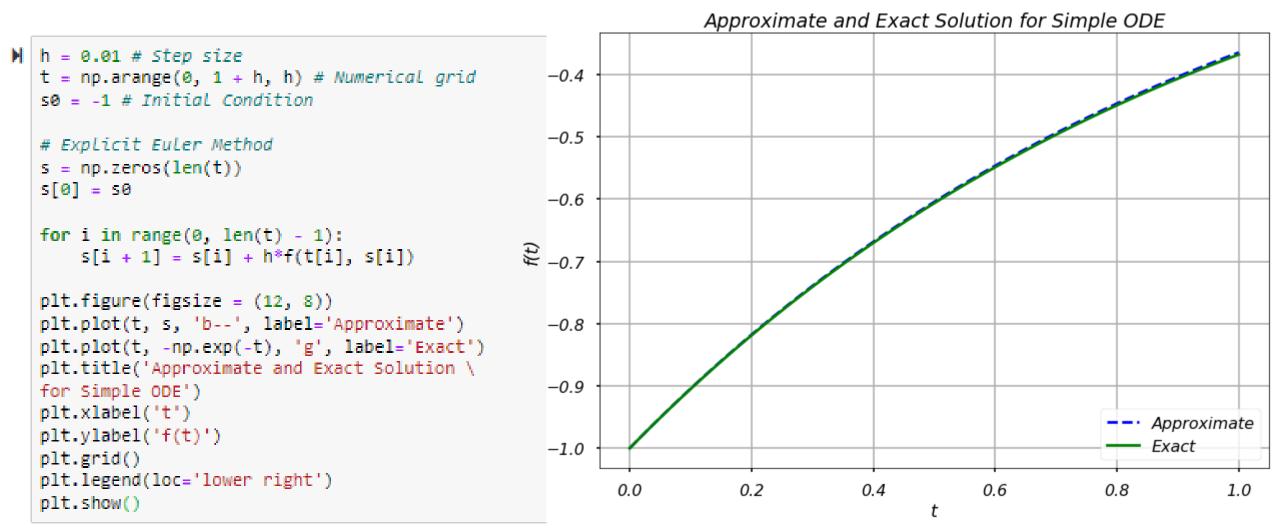


- In the above figure, we can see each dot is one approximation based on the previous dot in a linear fashion.
- From the initial value, we can eventually get an approximation of the solution on the numerical grid.

# The Euler Method



• If we repeat the process for h = 0.01, we get a **better approximation** for the solution:



• The **Explicit Euler Formula** is called "**explicit**" because it only requires information at  $t_j$  to compute the **state** at  $t_{j+1}$ . That is,  $S(t_{j+1})$  can be **written explicitly** in terms of values we have (i.e.,  $t_j$  and  $S(t_j)$ ).



The Implicit Euler Formula can be derived by taking the linear approximation of S(t) around  $t_{i+1}$  and computing it at  $t_i$ :

$$S(t_{j+1}) = S(t_j) + hF(t_{j+1}, S(t_{j+1})).$$

- This formula is **peculiar** because it requires that we know  $S(t_{j+1})$  to compute  $S(t_{j+1})$ !
- However, it happens that sometimes we can use this formula to approximate the solution to initial value problems.
- Before we give details on how to solve these problems using the Implicit Euler Formula, we give another implicit formula called the Trapezoidal Formula, which is the average of the Explicit and Implicit Euler Formulas:

$$S(t_{j+1}) = S(t_j) + \frac{h}{2} \Big( F(t_j, S(t_j)) + F(t_{j+1}, S(t_{j+1})) \Big).$$

• To illustrate how to **solve** these **implicit schemes**, consider again the pendulum equation, which has been reduced to **first order**.



$$\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1\\ -\frac{g}{l} & 0 \end{bmatrix} S(t)$$

For this equation,

$$F(t_j, S(t_j)) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{g}{l} & 0 \end{bmatrix} S(t_j).$$

• If we plug this expression into the Explicit Euler Formula, we get the following equation:

$$S(t_{j+1}) = S(t_j) + h \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{g}{l} & 0 \end{bmatrix} S(t_j) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} S(t_j) + h \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\frac{g}{l} & 0 \end{bmatrix} S(t_j)$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & h \\ -\frac{gh}{l} & 1 \end{bmatrix} S(t_j)$$

Similarly, we can plug the same expression into the Implicit Euler to get

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -h \\ gh & 1 \end{bmatrix} S(t_{j+1}) = S(t_j)$$



and into the **Trapezoidal Formula** to get

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{h}{2} \\ \frac{gh}{2l} & 1 \end{bmatrix} S(t_{j+1}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{h}{2} \\ -\frac{gh}{2l} & 1 \end{bmatrix} S(t_j).$$

With some rearrangement, these equations become, respectively,

$$S(t_{j+1}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -h \\ \frac{gh}{l} & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} S(t_j),$$

$$S(t_{j+1}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{h}{2} \\ \frac{gh}{2l} & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{h}{2} \\ -\frac{gh}{2l} & 1 \end{bmatrix} S(t_j).$$

 These equations allow us to solve the initial value problem, since at each state,  $S(t_i)$ , we  $S(t_{j+1}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{h}{2} \\ \frac{gh}{2t} & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{h}{2} \\ -\frac{gh}{2t} & 1 \end{bmatrix} S(t_j).$  can compute the next state at  $S(t_{j+1})$ . In general, this is possible to do when an ODE is linear

#### Numerical Error and Instability



- There are two main issues to consider with regard to integration schemes for ODEs: accuracy and stability.
- Accuracy refers to a scheme's ability to get close to the exact solution, which is usually unknown, as a function of the step size h. Previous lessons have referred to accuracy using the notation  $O(h^p)$ . The same notation translates to solving ODEs.
- The stability of an integration scheme is its ability to keep the error from growing as it integrates forward in time. If the error does not grow, then the scheme is stable; otherwise, it is unstable. Some integration schemes are stable for certain choices of h and unstable for others; these integration schemes are also referred to as unstable.
- To illustrate issues of **stability**, we numerically solve the pendulum equation using the **Euler Explicit**, **Euler Implicit**, and **Trapezoidal** Formulas.

### Numerical Error and Instability



• Example: Use the Euler Explicit, Euler Implicit, and Trapezoidal Formulas to solve the pendulum equation over the time interval [0,5] in increments of 0.1 and for an initial solution of  $S_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . For the model parameters use  $\sqrt{\frac{g}{l}} = 4$ . Plot the approximate solution on a single graph.

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import numpy as np
from numpy.linalg import inv
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

plt.style.use('seaborn-poster')

%matplotlib inline
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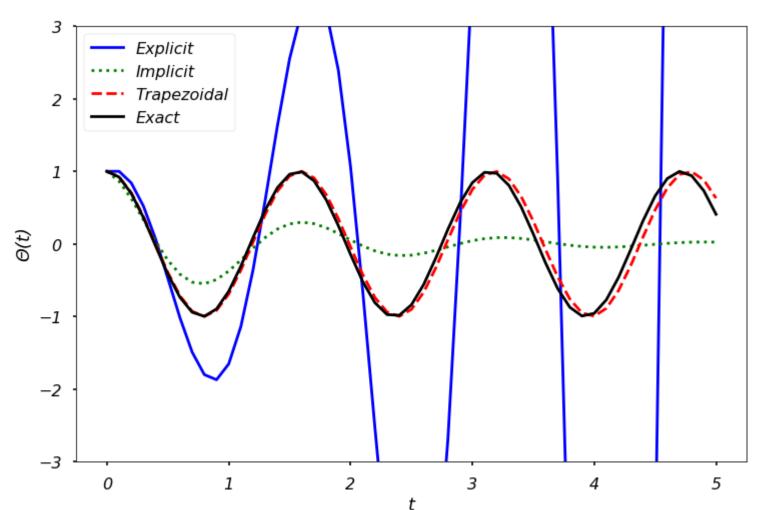
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# define step size
h = 0.1
# define numerical grid
t = np.arange(0, 5.1, h)
# oscillation freq. of pendulum
W = 4
s0 = np.array([[1], [0]])
m_e = np.array([[1, h],
               [-W**2*h, 1]])
m_i = inv(np.array([[1, -h],
               [w**2*h, 1]]))
m_t = np.dot(inv(np.array([[1, -h/2],
    [w**2*h/2,1]])), np.array(
      [[1,h/2], [-w**2*h/2, 1]]))
s_e = np.zeros((len(t), 2))
s_i = np.zeros((len(t), 2))
s_t = np.zeros((len(t), 2))
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# do integrations
s_e[0, :] = s0.T
S_1[0, :] = S0.T
s_t[0, :] = s0.T
for j in range(0, len(t)-1):
    s_e[j+1, :] = np.dot(m_e,s_e[j, :])
    s_i[j+1, :] = np.dot(m_i,s_i[j, :])
    s_t[j+1, :] = np.dot(m_t,s_t[j, :])
plt.figure(figsize = (12, 8))
plt.plot(t,s_e[:,0],'b-')
plt.plot(t,s_i[:,0],'g:')
plt.plot(t,s_t[:,0],'r---')
plt.plot(t, np.cos(w*t), 'k')
plt.ylim([-3, 3])
plt.xlabel('t')
plt.ylabel('$\Theta (t)$')
plt.legend(['Explicit', 'Implicit', \
            'Trapezoidal', 'Exact'])
plt.show()
```

# Numerical Error and Instability





- The generated figure shows the comparisons of numerical solution to the pendulum problem.
- The exact solution is a pure cosine wave. The Explicit Euler scheme is clearly unstable. The Implicit Euler scheme decays exponentially, which is not correct. The Trapezoidal method captures the solution correctly, with a small phase shift as time increases.

#### Predictor-Corrector Methods



- Given any **time** and **state** value, the function, F(t, S(t)), returns the **change of state**  $\frac{dS(t)}{dt}$ .
- Predictor-corrector methods of solving initial value problems improve the
  approximation accuracy of non-predictor-corrector methods by querying the F
  function several times at different locations (predictions), and then using a weighted
  average of the results (corrections) to update the state.
- Essentially, it uses **two formulas**: the **predictor** and **corrector**.
- The **predictor** is an **explicit formula** and first **estimates** the **solution** at  $t_{j+1}$ , i.e. we can use **Euler method** or some other methods to finish this step. After we obtain the solution  $S(t_{j+1})$ , we can apply the **corrector** to **improve** the **accuracy**. Using the found  $S(t_{j+1})$  on the right-hand side of an otherwise implicit formula, the corrector can calculate a **new, more accurate** solution.

### Predictor-Corrector Methods



The midpoint method has a predictor step:

$$S\left(t_j + \frac{h}{2}\right) = S(t_j) + \frac{h}{2}F\left(t_j, S(t_j)\right),\,$$

which is the **prediction** of the solution value **halfway** between  $t_i$  and  $t_{i+1}$ .

It then computes the corrector step:

$$S(t_{j+1}) = S(t_j) + hF\left(t_j + \frac{h}{2}, S\left(t_j + \frac{h}{2}\right)\right)$$

which computes the **solution** at  $S(t_{j+1})$  from  $S(t_j)$  but using the **derivative** from  $S(t_j + \frac{h}{2})$ .

#### Runge Kutta Methods



- Runge Kutta (RK) methods are one of the most widely used methods for solving ODEs.
- Recall that the **Euler method** uses the **first two terms** in **Taylor series** to approximate the numerical integration, which is **linear**:  $S(t_{j+1}) = S(t_j + h) = S(t_j) + h \cdot S'(t_j)$ .
- We can greatly improve the accuracy of numerical integration if we keep more terms of the series in

$$S(t_{j+1}) = S(t_j + h) = S(t_j) + S'(t_j)h + \frac{1}{2!}S''(t_j)h^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{n!}S^{(n)}(t_j)h^n$$
 ...(1)

- In order to get this more **accurate** solution, we need to **derive** the **expressions** of  $S''(t_i), S'''(t_i), ..., S^{(n)}(t_i)$ .
- This extra work can be avoided using the RK methods, which is based on truncated
   Taylor series, but not require computation of these higher derivatives.

# Second Order Runge Kutta Method



- Let us first derive the second order RK method.
- Let  $\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = F(t,S(t))$ , then we can assume an **integration formula** in the form of  $S(t+h) = S(t) + c_1F(t,S(t))h + c_2F[t+ph,S(t)+qhF(t,S(t))]h$  ...(2)
- We can attempt to find these parameters  $c_1, c_2, p, q$  by matching the above equation to the **second-order Taylor** series, which gives us

$$S(t+h) = S(t) + S'(t)h + \frac{1}{2!}S''(t)h^2 = S(t) + F(t,S(t))h + \frac{1}{2!}F'(t,S(t))h^2$$
 ...(3)

• Noting that  $F'(t,S(t)) = \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial S} \frac{\partial S}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial S} F$ .



Therefore, equation (3) can be written as:

$$S(t+h) = S + Fh + \frac{1}{2!} \left( \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial F}{\partial S} F \right) h^2 \dots (4)$$

 In equation (2), we can rewrite the last term by applying Taylor series in several variables, which gives us:

$$F[t + ph, S + qhF] = F + \frac{\partial F}{\partial t}ph + qh\frac{\partial F}{\partial S}F$$

thus equation (2) becomes:

$$S(t+h) = S + (c_1 + c_2)Fh + c_2 \left[ \frac{\partial F}{\partial t} p + q \frac{\partial F}{\partial S} F \right] h^2 \dots (5)$$

• Comparing equation (4) and (5), we can easily obtain:

$$c_1 + c_2 = 1, c_2 p = \frac{1}{2}, c_2 q = \frac{1}{2}$$
...(6)

# Second Order Runge Kutta Method



 Because (6) has four unknowns and only three equations, we can assign any value to one of the parameters and get the rest of the parameters. One popular choice is:

$$c_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$
,  $c_2 = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $p = 1$ ,  $q = 1$ 

We can also define:

$$k_1 = F(t_j, S(t_j))$$

$$k_2 = F(t_j + ph, S(t_j) + qhk_1)$$

where we will have:

$$S(t_{j+1}) = S(t_j) + \frac{1}{2}(k_1 + k_2)h$$

# Fourth-Order Runge Kutta Method



- A classical method for integrating ODEs with a high order of accuracy is the Fourth
  Order Runge Kutta (RK4) method.
- It is obtained from the Taylor series using similar approach we just discussed for the second-order method.
- This method uses **four points**  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$ ,  $k_3$ , and  $k_4$ .
- A weighted average of these is used to produce the approximation of the solution.



The formula is as follows.

$$k_1 = F\left(t_j, S(t_j)\right)$$

$$k_2 = F\left(t_j + \frac{h}{2}, S(t_j) + \frac{1}{2}k_1h\right)$$

$$k_3 = F\left(t_j + \frac{h}{2}, S(t_j) + \frac{1}{2}k_2h\right)$$

$$k_4 = F(t_j + h, S(t_j) + k_3h)$$

Therefore, we will have:

$$S(t_{j+1}) = S(t_j) + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4).$$

• As indicated by its name, the RK4 method is **fourth-order accurate**, or  $O(h^4)$ .



- In scipy, there are several built-in functions for solving initial value problems. The most common one used is the scipy.integrate.solve\_ivp function. The function construction are shown below:
- Let F be a **function object** to the function that computes

$$\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = F(t, S(t))$$
$$S(t_0) = S_0$$

• t is a one-dimensional independent variable (time), S(t) is an n-dimensional vector-valued function (state), and the F(t,S(t)) defines the differential equations.  $S_0$  be an initial value for S. The function F must have the form dS = F(t,S), although the name does not have to be F. The goal is to find the S(t) approximately satisfying the differential equations, given the initial value  $S(t_i) = S_0$ .



The way we use the solver to solve the differential equation is:

solve\_ivp(fun, t\_span, s0, method = 'RK45', t\_eval=None)

where **fun** takes in the function in the right-hand side of the system. **t\_span** is the interval of integration  $(t_0, t_f)$ , where  $t_0$  is the start and  $t_f$  is the end of the interval.  $S_0$  is the initial state. There are a couple of methods that we can choose, the default is **'RK45'**, which is the explicit Runge-Kutta method of order 5(4).

- There are other methods you can use as well, see the end of this section for more information.
- t\_eval takes in the times at which to store the computed solution, and must be sorted
  and lie within t\_span.



EXAMPLE: Consider the ODE

$$\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = \cos(t)$$

for an initial value  $S_0 = 0$ . The exact solution to this problem is  $S(t) = \sin(t)$ . Use **solve\_ivp** to approximate the solution to this **initial value problem** over the interval  $[0, \pi]$ . Plot the approximate solution versus the exact solution and the relative error over time.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
from scipy.integrate import solve_ivp

plt.style.use('seaborn-poster')

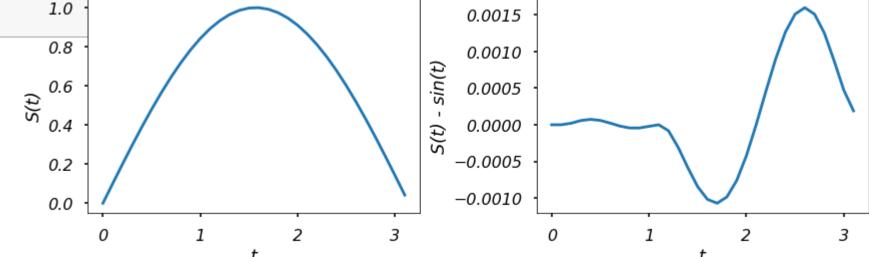
%matplotlib inline
```

```
F = lambda t, s: np.cos(t)
t eval = np.arange(0, np.pi, 0.1)
sol = solve_ivp(F, [0, np.pi], [0], t_eval=t_eval)
plt.figure(figsize = (12, 4))
plt.subplot(121)
plt.plot(sol.t, sol.y[0])
plt.xlabel('t')
plt.ylabel('S(t)')
plt.subplot(122)
plt.plot(sol.t, sol.y[0] - np.sin(sol.t))
plt.xlabel('t')
plt.ylabel('S(t) - sin(t)')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```



• The **left** figure shows the integration of  $\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = \cos(t)$  with **solve\_ivp**. The **right** figure computes the **difference** between the solution of the integration by **solve\_ivp** and the evaluation of the **analytical** solution to this ODE.

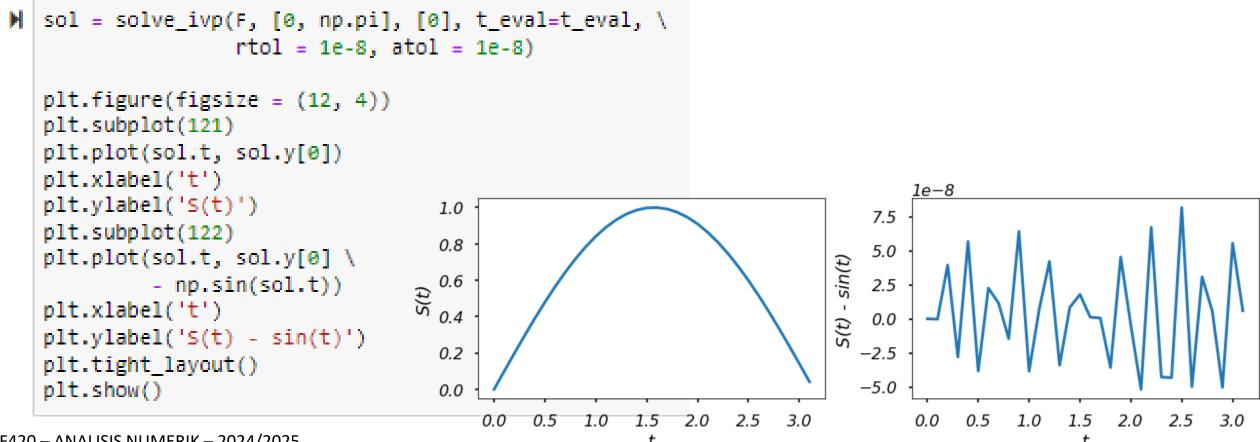
 As can be seen from the figure, the difference between the approximate and exact solution to this ODE is small.



We can control the **relative** and **absolute tolerances** using the **rtol** and **atol** arguments, the **solver** keeps the local error estimates less than atol + rtol \*abs(S). The default values are **1e-3** for **rtol** and **1e-6** for **atol**.



**Example**: Using the **rtol** and **atol** to make the difference between the approximate and exact solution is less than 1e-7.





Example: Consider the ODE

$$\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = -S(t)$$

with an initial value of  $S_0 = 1$ . The exact solution to this problem is  $S(t) = e^{-t}$ . Use **solve\_ivp** to approximate the solution to this initial value problem over the interval [0,1]. Plot the approximate solution versus the exact solution, and the relative error over time.



```
= lambda t, s: -s
t eval = np.arange(0, 1.01, 0.01)
sol = solve ivp(F, [0, 1], [1], t eval=t eval)
plt.figure(figsize = (12, 4))
plt.subplot(121)
plt.plot(sol.t, sol.y[0])
plt.xlabel('t')
plt.ylabel('S(t)')
plt.subplot(122)
plt.plot(sol.t, sol.y[0] \
                                 0.8
         np.exp(-sol.t))
```

0.6

0.4

0.0

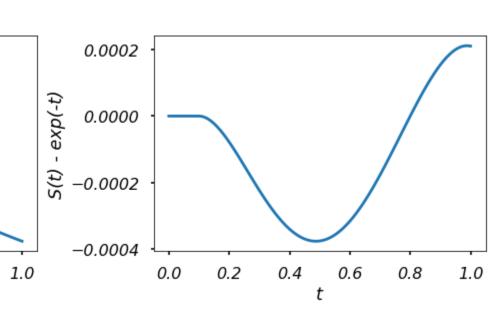
0.2

0.4

0.6

0.8

The figure shows the corresponding numerical results. As in the previous example, the **difference** between the result of **solve\_ivp** and the evaluation of the **analytical** solution by Python is **very small** in comparison to the value of the function.



plt.tight layout()

plt.xlabel('t')

plt.show()

plt.ylabel('S(t) - exp(-t)')

• **Example**: Let the state of a system be defined by  $S(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ y(t) \end{bmatrix}$ , and let the



evolution of the system be defined by the ODE

$$\frac{dS(t)}{dt} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & t^2 \\ -t & 0 \end{bmatrix} S(t)$$

Use **solve\_ivp** to solve this ODE for the time interval [0,10] with an initial value of  $S_0 = [1 \ 1]$ . Plot the solution in (x(t), y(t)).

```
F = lambda t, s: np.dot(np.array([[0, t**2], [-t, 0]]), s)
                                                               1.00
t_eval = np.arange(0, 10.01, 0.01)
sol = solve_ivp(F, [0, 10], [1, 1], t_eval=t_eval)
                                                               0.75
                                                               0.50
plt.figure(figsize = (12, 8))
                                                               0.25
plt.plot(sol.y.T[:, 0], sol.y.T[:, 1])
                                                             > 0.00
plt.xlabel('x')
                                                              -0.25
plt.ylabel('y')
                                                              -0.50
plt.show()
                                                              -0.75
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```

## Advanced Topics



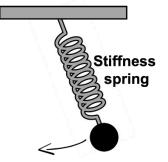
- In this section, we will briefly discuss some more advanced topics in IVP ODE.
- We will not go into the details of them, but if you are interested, we do suggest you check out some great books, such as Ordinary Differential Equations by Morris Tenenbaum and Harry Pollard, Numerical Methods for Engineers and Scientists by Amos Gilat and Vish Subramaniam, as well as Numerical Methods for Ordinary Differential Equations by J.C. Butcher.

## Multistep Methods



- So far, most of the methods we discussed are called **one-step methods** because the **approximation** for the **next point**  $t_{j+1}$  is obtained by using information only from  $S(t_j)$  and  $t_j$  at the **previous point**. Although some of the methods, such as RK methods, might use function-evaluation information at points between  $t_j$  and  $t_{j+1}$ , they do not retain the information for direct use in future approximations.
- The multistep methods attempt to gain efficiency by using two or more previous points to approximate the solution at the next point  $t_{j+1}$ . For linear multistep methods, we can use a linear combination of the previous points and derivative values to approximate the next point. The coefficients can be determined using polynomial interpolation we discussed in Week 7.
- There are three families of linear multistep methods commonly used: Adams—Bashforth methods, Adams—Moulton methods, and the backward differentiation formulas (BDFs).

## Stiffness ODE





- Stiffness is a difficult and important concept in the numerical solution of ODEs. A stiff ODE equation will make the solution being sought vary slowly, and not stable, i.e. if there are nearby solutions, the solution will change dramatically. This will force us to take small steps to obtain reasonable results. Therefore, stiffness is usually an efficiency issue: if we do not care about computation cost, we would not be concerned about stiffness.
- In science and engineering, we often need to model physical phenomena with very different time scales or spatial scales. These applications usually lead to systems of ODEs whose solution include **several terms** with **magnitudes** varying with time at a significantly different rate. For example, the above figure shows a spring mass system, which the mass can swings from left to right as well as oscillates up and down due to the spring. Therefore, we have two different time scales, that is the time scale of the swinging motion as well as the oscillation motion. If the spring is really stiff, thus the oscillation motion time scale will be much **smaller** than that of the **swinging** motion. In order to study the system, we have to use a **very tiny time step** to get a **good solution** for the oscillation.





- Depending on the properties of the ODE and the desired level of accuracy, you might need to use different methods for solve\_ivp.
- There are many methods to choose from for the method argument in solve\_ivp; browse through the documentation for additional information.
- As suggested by the documentation, use the "RK45" or "RK23" method for non-stiff problems and "Radau" or "BDF" for stiff problems.
- If not sure, first try to run "RK45". Should this solution experience an **unusually high** number of **iterations**, **diverges**, or **fails**, this problem is likely to be **stiff**, and you should use "Radau" or "BDF". "**LSODA**" can also be a good universal choice, but it might be somewhat less convenient to work with as it wraps old Fortran code.

#### **Practice**



The **logistics equation** is a simple differential equation model that can be used to relate the change in population  $\frac{dP}{dt}$  to the current population, P, given a growth rate, r, and a carrying capacity, K. The logistics equation can be expressed by:

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = rP\left(1 - \frac{P}{K}\right)$$

Write a function  $my\_logistics\_eq(t, P, r, K)$  that represents the logistics equation with a return of dP. Note that this format allows  $my\_logistics\_eq$  to be used as an input argument to  $solve\_ivp$ . You may assume that the arguments dP, t, P, r, and K are all scalars, and dP is the value  $\frac{dP}{dt}$  given r, P, and K. Note that the input argument, t, is obligatory if  $my\_logistics\_eq$  is to be used as an input argument to  $solve\_ivp$ , even though it is part of the differential equation.

## **Practice**



**Note**: The logistics equation has an **analytic solution** defined by:

$$P(t) = \frac{KP_0e^{rt}}{K + P_0(e^{rt} - 1)}$$

where  $P_0$  is the initial population. As an exercise, you should verify that this equation is a solution to the logistics equation.

```
import numpy as np
from scipy.integrate import solve_ivp
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from functools import partial
plt.style.use('seaborn-poster')

%matplotlib inline
```

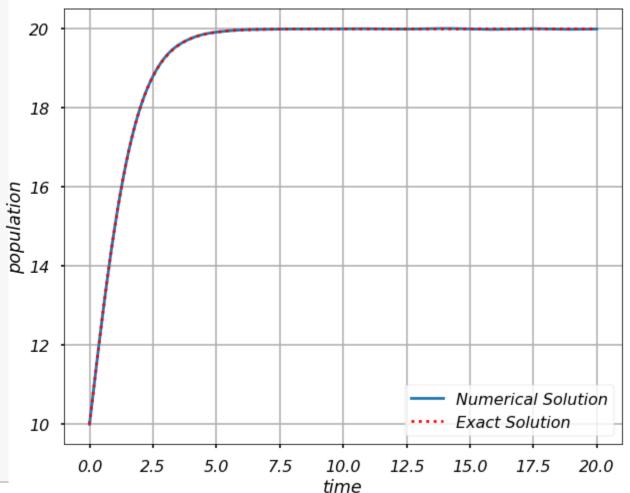
```
M def my_logistics_eq(t, P, r, K):
    # put your code here
    return dP

M dP = my_logistics_eq(0, 10, 1.1, 15)
    dP
```

3.66666666666666

```
M from functools import partial
  ta = a
  tf = 20
  P9 = 10
  r = 1.1
  K = 20
  t = np.linspace(0, 20, 2001)
  f = partial(my logistics eq, r=r, K=K)
  sol=solve_ivp(f,[t0,tf],[P0],t_eval=t)
  plt.figure(figsize = (10, 8))
  plt.plot(sol.t, sol.y[0])
  plt.plot(t, \
    K*P0*np.exp(r*t)/(K+P0*(np.exp(r*t)-1)), 'r:')
  plt.xlabel('time')
  plt.ylabel('population')
  plt.legend(['Numerical Solution', \
               'Exact Solution'])
  plt.grid(True)
  plt.show()
```





## Next Week's Outline



- ODE Boundary Value Problem Statement
- The Shooting Method
- Finite Difference Method
- Numerical Error and Instability





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