

Engineering Mathematics PA1

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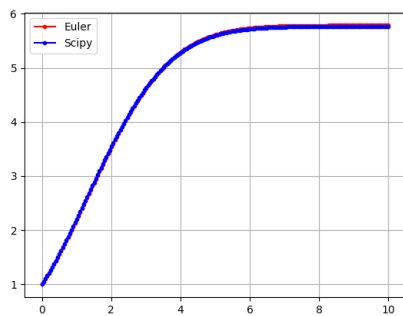
1 Problem

Solve the following first order nonlinear DE numerically.

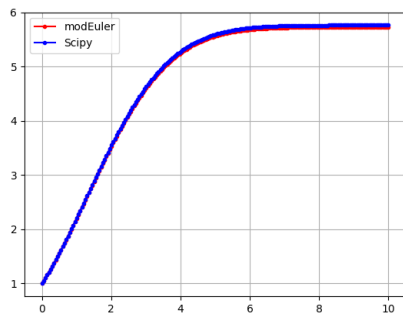
$$\frac{\partial y(x)}{\partial x} = \sqrt{y}e^{-0.1x^2}, \quad y(0) = 1, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 10, \quad x_{n+1} - x_n = 0.05 \quad (1)$$

The solution is from `scipy.integrate.odeint` which solve DE with RK45 method.

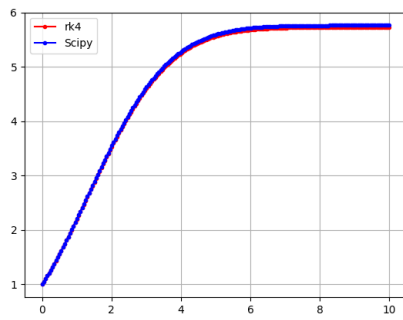
a. Euler method



b. Modified Euler's method



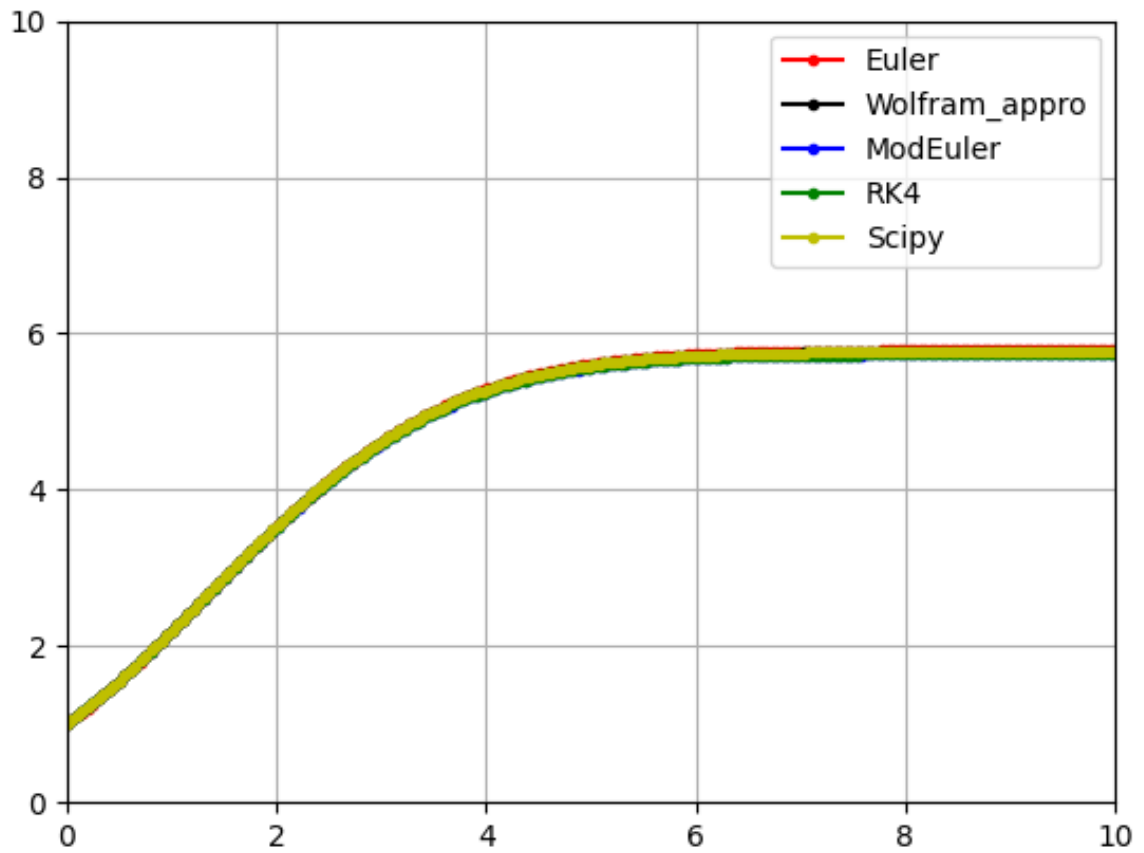
c. RK4 method



d. Additional discussion

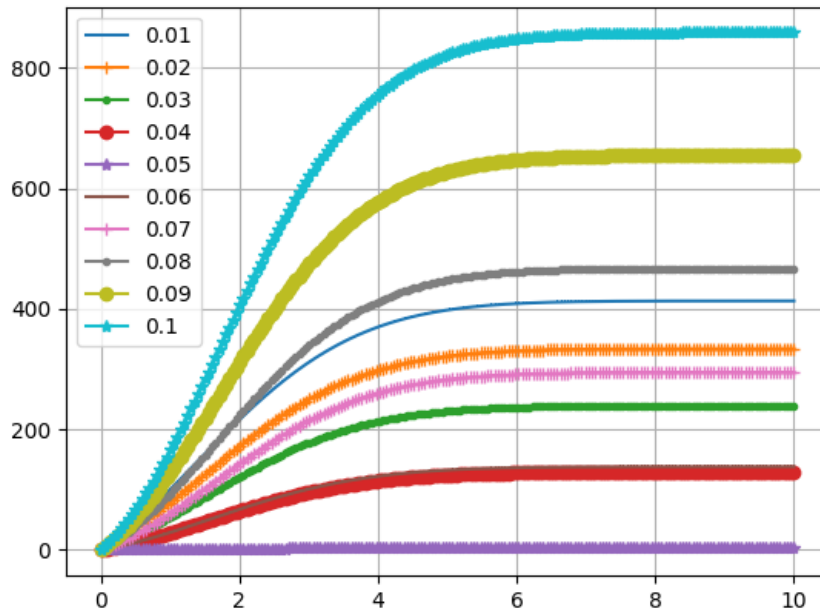
Comparing with Wolfram approximation solution,

$$y(x) = 1 + 2.8025 \times \operatorname{erf}(0.316228x) + 1.9635(\operatorname{erf}(0.316228x))^2 \quad (2)$$



e. Different h value in modified Euler's method and RK4 method

Modified Euler's method



RK4 method

