

Ay190 – Worksheet 10  
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We use the shooting method code template to solve our BVP. We guess a  $z = y'(a)$  and use an integrator (FE or RK2) to extend to boundary  $b$ . We calculate the error between  $y(z)$  and our endpoint  $B = y(b)$ . We then use a rootfinder to improve our guess of  $z$  and iterate until desired accuracy. Even with extreme values of  $z$ , the process takes 2 iterations (see `ws10.py` and `ws10b.py`).

To test for convergence, we run using 10 and 10000 steps. FE converges, see 1 and 2; interestingly, RK2 doesn't. See 3 and 4.

The top figure shows the exact and FE or RK2 solution to our BVP; the subplot shows the error. RK2 is accurate but divergent.

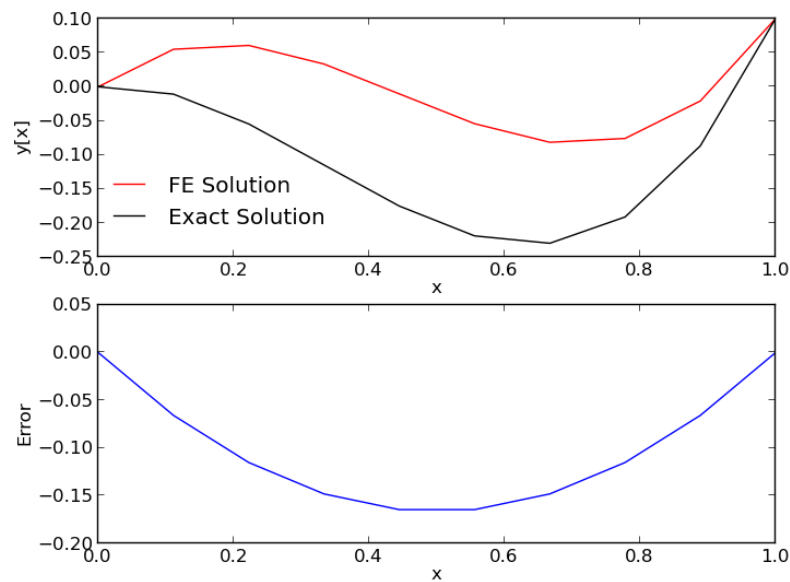


Figure 1: FE, npoints=10

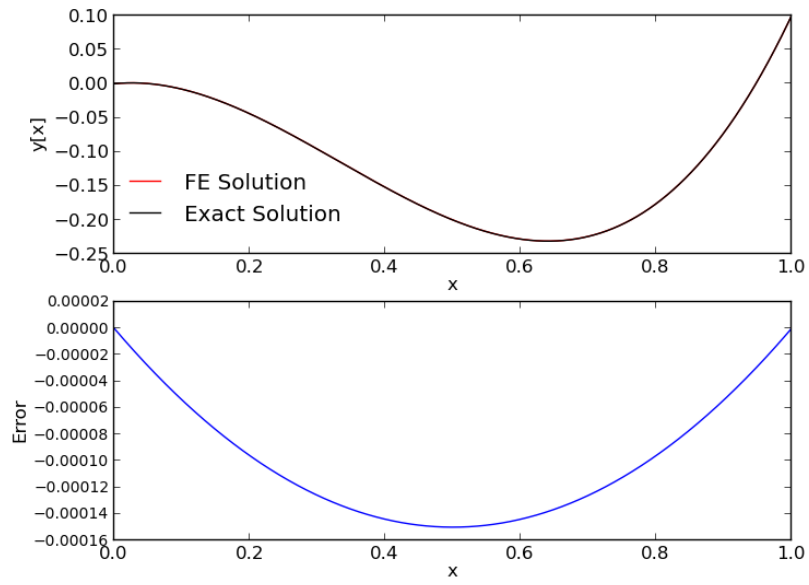


Figure 2: FE, npoints=10000

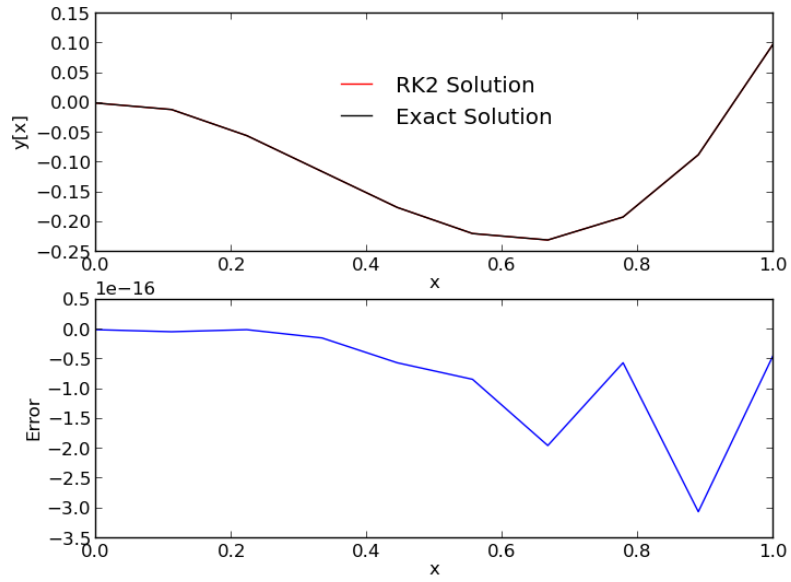


Figure 3: RK2, npoints=10

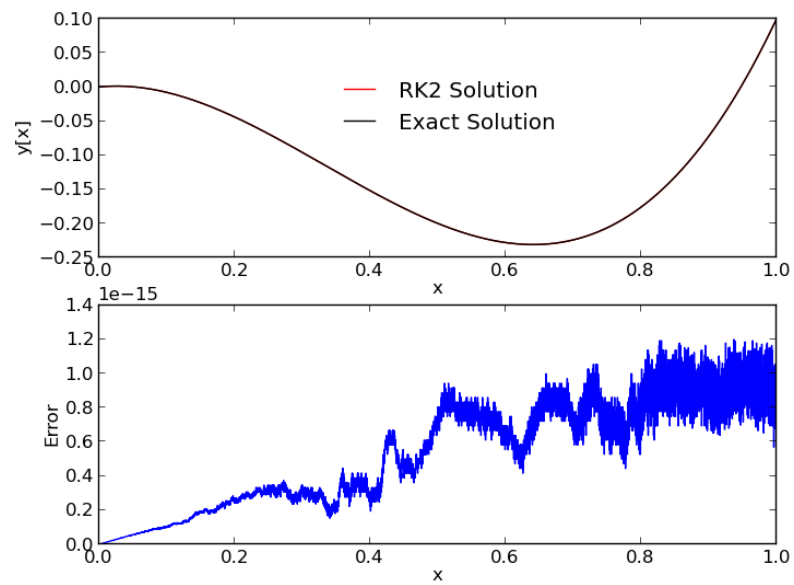


Figure 4: RK2, npoints=10000