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Question: Check if the differential equation $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ has a solution $y = e^x + 1$ for y(0) = 2 and y'(0) = 1.

1) Theoretical Solution:

Taking
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = t;$$
 (1.1)

$$\frac{dt}{dx} - t = 0 \tag{1.2}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{t} dt = \int dx \tag{1.3}$$

$$ln(t) = x + k \tag{1.4}$$

$$t = Ce^x$$
 but $y'(0) = 1 \implies \frac{dy}{dx} = e^x$ (1.5)

$$\int dy = \int e^x dx \tag{1.6}$$

$$\implies y = e^x + k \tag{1.7}$$

but
$$y(0) = 2 \implies k = 1$$
 (1.8)

$$\therefore y = e^x + 1$$
 is the solution under given conditions. (1.9)

2) Using Trapezoidal Rule:

For
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$$
 (2.1)

$$\int_{y_n}^{y_{n+1}} dy = \int_{x_n}^{x_{n+1}} f(x, y) dx$$
 (2.2)

$$y_{n+1} - y_n \approx \frac{h}{2} (f(x_n, y_n) + f(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1}))$$
 (2.3)

$$\implies y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2} \left(f\left(x_n, y_n \right) + f\left(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1} \right) \right) \tag{2.4}$$

where
$$h = x_{n+1} - x_n$$
 (2.5)

To solve the differential equation y'' - y' = 0 numerically using the trapezoidal rule, we first need to rewrite it as a system of first-order differential equations, let y' = v and v' = v

For y' = v, applying trapezoidal rule, gives

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2} (v_n + v_{n+1})$$
 (2.6)

For v' = v, applying trapezoidal rule, gives

$$v_{n+1} = v_n + \frac{h}{2} (v_n + v_{n+1})$$
 (2.7)

$$\implies v_{n+1} = \frac{1 + \frac{h}{2}}{1 - \frac{h}{2}} v_n \tag{2.8}$$

The final difference equations are
$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2}(v_n + v_{n+1})$$
 (2.9)

$$v_{n+1} = \frac{1 + \frac{h}{2}}{1 - \frac{h}{2}} v_n \tag{2.10}$$

3) Using Bilinear Transform:

The bilinear transform maps the continuous-time derivative operator $\frac{d}{dt}$ to a discrete time operator in the z-domain as:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \longrightarrow \frac{2}{h} \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + z^{-1}}$$
 (3.1)

here, h is the step size and z^{-1} is a delay operator which represents; (3.2)

$$z^{-1}y[n] = y[n-1]$$
 (3.3)

For
$$v' = v$$
 we get $\frac{2}{h} \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + z^{-1}} V(z) = V(z)$ (3.4)

$$\implies z^{-1} = \frac{\frac{2}{h} - 1}{\frac{2}{h} + 1}$$
 (3.5)

Thus, the difference equation that we get is $v[n] = \alpha v[n-1]$ (3.6)

$$\alpha = \frac{\frac{2}{h} - 1}{\frac{2}{h} + 1} \tag{3.7}$$

Similarly, for
$$y' = v$$
; $\frac{2}{h} \frac{1 - z^{-1}}{1 + z^{-1}} V(z) = Y(z)$ (3.8)

Applying inverse z-transform, we get
$$y[n+1] = y[n] + \frac{h}{2}(v[n] + v[n+1])$$
 (3.9)

Therefore, the final difference equations are
$$v[n] = \alpha v[n-1]; \alpha = \frac{\frac{2}{h}-1}{\frac{2}{h}+1}$$
 (3.10)

$$y[n+1] = y[n] + \frac{h}{2}(v[n] + v[n+1]) \quad (3.11)$$

The below graph shows the comparison between the curve that is obtained theoretically and the simulation curve(numerically generated points through iterations).

