

$$x = 1 - \int_0^t t \, dt = 1 - \frac{t^2}{2}, \quad y = \int_0^t \left(1 - \frac{t^2}{2}\right) dt = t - \frac{t^3}{6}$$

$$x = 1 - \int_0^t \left(t - \frac{t^3}{6}\right) dt = 1 - \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{t^4}{24}$$

$$y = \int_0^t \left(t - \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{t^4}{24}\right) dt = t - \frac{t^3}{6} + \frac{t^5}{120},$$

**Ans.****EXERCISE 52.2**

Using Picard's method, solve the following:

1.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y^2$ , given  $y(0) = 0$ .

(RGPV, Bhopal, June 2008)

**Ans.**  $y = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{20}x^5 + \frac{1}{160}x^8 + \frac{1}{4400}x^{11}$

2. Apply Picard's iteration method to find approximate solutions to the initial value problem  
 $y' = 1 + y^2$ ,  $y(0) = 0$

3.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x - y$ , given  $y(0) = 1$  and find  $y(0.2)$  to five places of decimals.

(RGPV, Bhopal, June 2001, 2000) **Ans.**  $y = 1 - x + x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^4}{12} - \frac{x^5}{60} + \frac{x^6}{720}, 0.83746$

4.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y + x$ , given  $y(0) = 1$ , find  $y(1)$ ,

**Ans.**  $y = 1 + x + x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^4}{12} - \frac{x^5}{60} + \frac{x^6}{120} + 3.434$

5.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2 + y^2$ , for  $y(0) = 0$ , find  $y(0.4)$ .

**Ans.** 0.0214.

6.  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2y - z$ ,  $\frac{dz}{dx} = y + 2z$  given  $y(0) = 0$ ,  $z(0) = 1$

**Ans.**  $y = x + 2x^2 + \frac{13}{6}x^3 + \frac{5}{3}x^4 + \dots$ ,  $z = 1 + 2x + \frac{5}{2}x^2 + \frac{7}{3}x^3 + \frac{41}{40}x^4 + \dots$

7. Use Picard's method to approximate  $y$  when  $x = 0.1$ , given that  $y = 1$ , when  $x = 0$  and

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y-x}{y+x}$$

(RGPV, Bhopal, III Sem. June 2003) **Ans.**  $y = 1.0906$ .**52.5 EULER'S METHOD**

This is purely numerical method for solving the first order differential equations. This is an elementary method and which will demonstrate the procedure underlying these methods. This method should not be used for practical solution.

Consider the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y) \quad \dots(1)$$

Let  $y = \phi(x)$  be the solution of (1). ... (2)

Let  $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n), (x_{n+1}, y_{n+1})$  be the points on the curve of (2).

$x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, x_{n+1}, \dots$  are equispaced at equal interval  $h$ .

$$y_{n+1} = \phi(x_{n+1}) \quad [(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) \text{ lies on (2).}]$$

$$= \phi(x_n + h) \quad (x_{n+1} = x_n + h)$$

$$= \phi(x_n) + h f(x_n) + \frac{1}{2} h^2 \phi''(x_n) + \dots \quad \dots(3)$$

$$= \phi(x_n) + h \phi'(x_n) \quad (h \text{ is very small})$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n) \quad [\text{since } y_n = \phi(x_n) \text{ from (2)}] \quad \dots(4)$$

This formula (4) can be used to find  $y_{n+1}$ , where  $y_n$  is known.

On substituting the value of  $y_0$ , ( $n = 0$ ) in (4) we get  $y_1$ ,

Similarly putting the value of  $(n = 1)$  in (4), we obtain  $y_2$  and so on.

**Note.** Since we have neglected  $1/2 h^2 \phi''(x_n)$  and higher powers of  $h$  from formula (4) there will be a larger error in  $y_{n+1}$ . Therefore it is not used in practical problems.

### Geometrically

Let  $y = \phi(x)$  be a solution curve  $PQ$ . The ordinate of  $P$  i.e.  $y_n$  is known.

Now we have to find the ordinate  $y_{n+1}$  of any point  $Q$ .

$$y_{n-1} = MQ = MR + RQ = PL + RT + TQ \quad (TQ = \text{Error})$$

$$= y_n + h \tan \theta = y_n + h \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n)$$

**Example 8.** Using Euler's method find an approximate value of  $y$  corresponding to

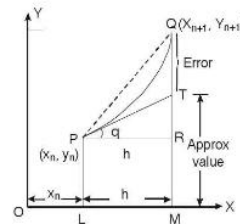
$x = 2$ , given that  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + 2y$  and  $y = 1$  when  $x = 1$ .

**Solution.**

$$f(x, y) = x + 2y$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n) = y_n + 0.1(x + 2y)$$

**Method:** In column 3 we record the value of  $x + 2y$  and in column 4 we enter the sum of the value of  $y$  and the product of 0.1 with the value of  $x + 2y$ . This value entered in 4th column is transferred to second column for the next calculation.



$x$	$y$	$x + 2y = \frac{dy}{dx} \text{ old}$	$y + 0.1 \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) = \text{new } y$
1.0	1.00	3.00	$1.0 + 0.1 (3) = 1.30$
1.1	1.3	3.70	$1.3 + 0.1 (3.7) = 1.67$
1.2	1.67	4.54	$1.67 + 0.1 (4.54) = 2.12$
1.3	2.12	5.54	$2.12 + 0.1 (5.54) = 2.67$
1.4	2.67	6.74	$2.67 + 0.1 (6.74) = 3.34$
1.5	3.34	8.18	$3.34 + 0.1 (8.18) = 4.16$
1.6	4.16	9.92	$4.16 + 0.1 (9.92) = 5.15$
1.7	5.15	12.00	$5.15 + 0.1 (12.0) = 6.35$
1.8	6.35	14.50	$6.35 + 0.1 (14.50) = 7.80$
1.9	7.80	17.50	$7.80 + 0.1 (17.50) = 9.55$
2.0	9.55		

Thus the required approximate value of  $y = 9.55$

**Ans.**

**EXERCISE 52.3**

- Using Euler's method, find an approximate value of  $y$  corresponding to  $x = 1$ , given that  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$  and  $y = 1$  when  $x = 0$ . **Ans. 3.18**
- Using Euler's method, find an approximate value of  $y$  corresponding to  $x = 1.4$ , given  $\frac{dy}{dx} = xy^{1/2}$  and  $y = 1$  when  $x = 1$ . **Ans. 1.49857.**
- Using Euler's method, find an approximate value of  $y$  corresponding to  $x = 1.6$ , given  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2 - \frac{y}{x}$  and  $y = 1$  when  $x = 1$ . **Ans. 1.1351**
- Using Euler's method to solve the differential equation in six steps  $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + y$ ;  $y(0) = 0$  choosing  $h = 0.2$ . (RGPV, Bhopal, III Sem. Dec. 2003) **Ans.  $y = 0.785984$**

**52.6 EULER'S MODIFIED FORMULA**

In equation (3) of Art 52.14 the expansion of  $y_{n+1}$  is

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n) + \frac{1}{2}h^2\phi''(x_n, y_n) + \frac{1}{6}h^3\phi'''(x_n, y_n) + \dots \quad \dots(1)$$

In Euler's formula we omit  $\frac{1}{2}h^2\phi''(x_n, y_n)$  and higher powers of  $h$ .

The error due to this omission is called **Truncation error**.

Now a formula is derived with small error.

Differentiating (1) w.r.t.  $x$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_{n+1} &= \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)_n + hf'(x_n, y_n) + \frac{1}{2}h^2\phi'''(x_n, y_n) + \dots \\ \therefore f(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) &= f(x_n, y_n) + hf'(x_n, y_n) + \frac{1}{2}h^2\phi'''(x_n, y_n) + \dots \\ &= f(x_n, y_n) + h\phi'''(x_n, y_n) + \frac{1}{2}h^2\phi'''(x_n, y_n) + \dots \quad \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying (2) by  $\frac{h}{2}$  and subtracting from (1) we get

$$y_{n+1} - \frac{1}{2}hf(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) = y_n + \frac{h}{2}f(x_n, y_n) - \frac{h^3}{12}\phi'''(x_n, y_n)$$

Neglecting terms containing  $h^3$  and higher powers, we obtain

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + h \left[ \frac{f(x_n, y_n) + f(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1})}{2} \right] \quad \dots (3)$$

Equation (3) is the Euler's modified formula.

But  $f(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1})$  which occurs on the right hand side of equation (3), cannot be calculated since  $y_{n+1}$  is unknown. So first we calculate  $y_{n+1}$  from Euler's first formula.

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n)$$

Thus for each stage we use the following two formulae.

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n)$$

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