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3 a) Solve Ivp using Eulers plot along with real solution

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disp('Question 3a')

%create the de to solve
f = @(t, y) (-21 * y);
alpha = 10;
t0 = 0;
tf = 1;
N = 10;

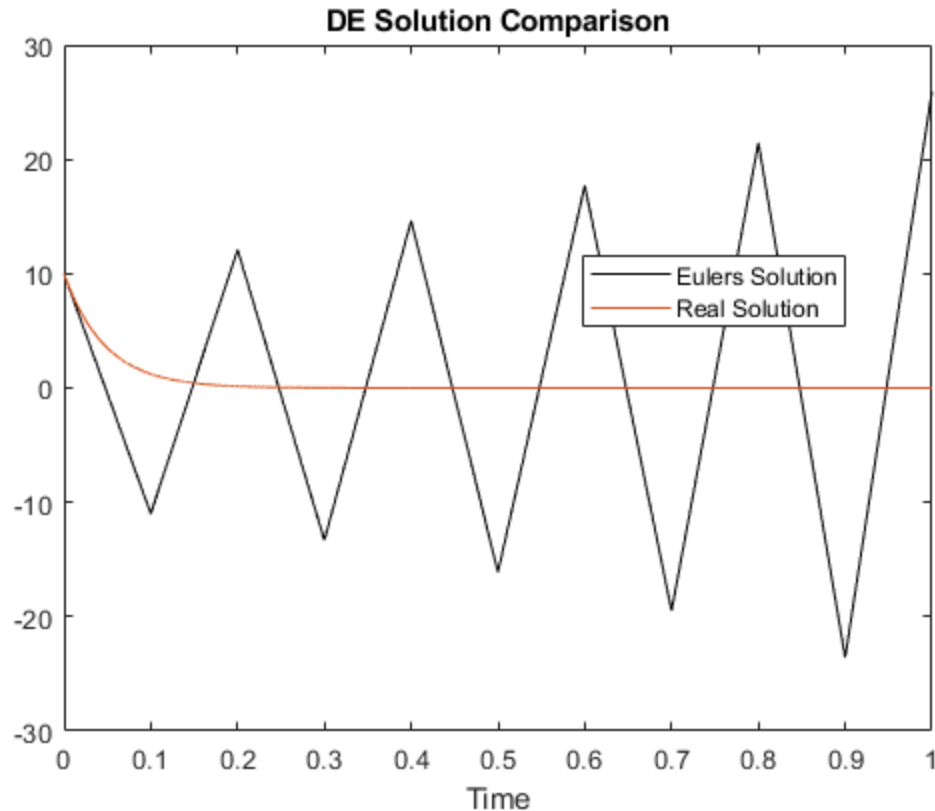
%calculate solution using eulers with a timestep of .1
[eulerY, eulerT] = euler_timestep(f, t0, tf, alpha, N);

%this is the real solution obtained by solving the de by hand
solution = @(t) (10 * exp(-21 * t));

%obtain data points from solution using really small timestep to be
%accurate
goodTime = 0 : .0001 : 1;
realY = solution(goodTime);

%plot the real solution and eulers on the same graph
figure(1)
plot(eulerT, eulerY, 'black');
hold on;
plot(goodTime, realY);
legend('Eulers Solution', 'Real Solution', 'location', 'best');
title('DE Solution Comparison');
xlabel('Time')
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Question 3a



3 b) Does graph from a approach exact solution?

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disp('Question 3b:')
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3 c) Find smallest time step to approach exact solution.

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%update n to be really big
N = 50;

%recalculate eulers
[goodEulerY, goodEulerT] = euler_timestep(f, t0, tf, alpha, N);

%plot the new solution on top of figure from part a
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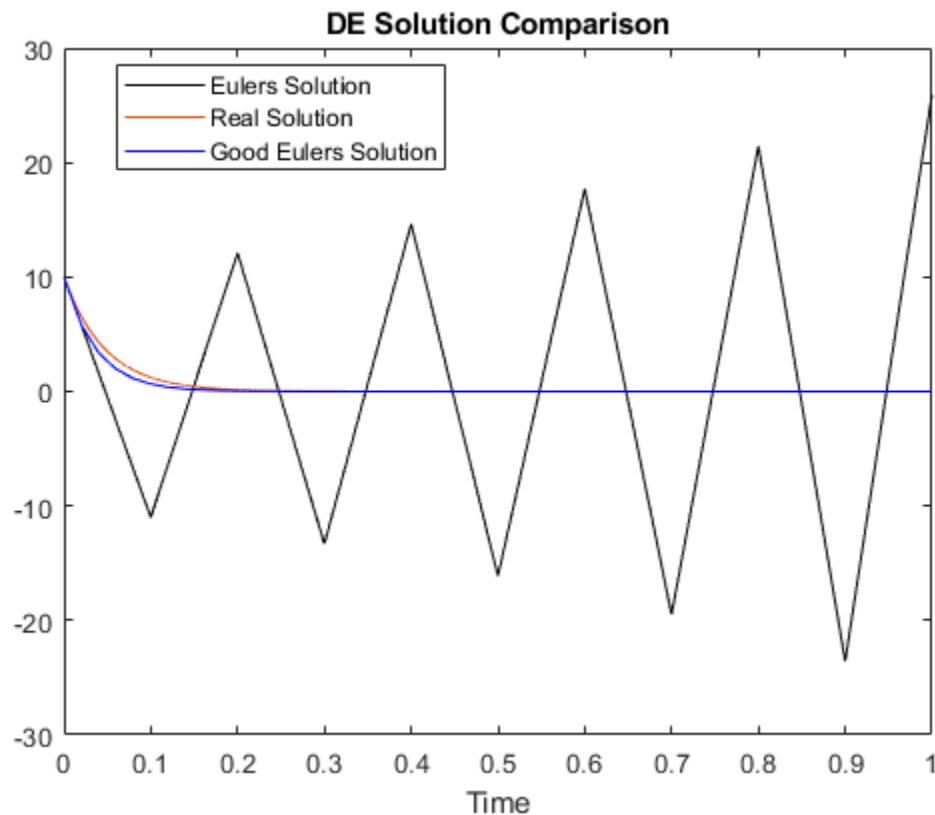
plot(goodEulerT, goodEulerY, 'blue');
legend('Eulers Solution', 'Real Solution', 'Good Eulers
      Solution', 'location', 'best');

disp('Question 3c:')
disp('The Eulers approximation begins to approach the solution and not
      blow up around 50 timesteps. At this point however the approximation
      still struggles to closely approximate the curve from t = 0.1 to 0.2.
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3 d) Plot Rk4 solution using same timestep found in 3 c

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%find the approximation using rk4
[rk4Y, rk4T] = rk4(f, t0, tf, alpha, N);

%plot the approximation ontop of figure from ealrier parts

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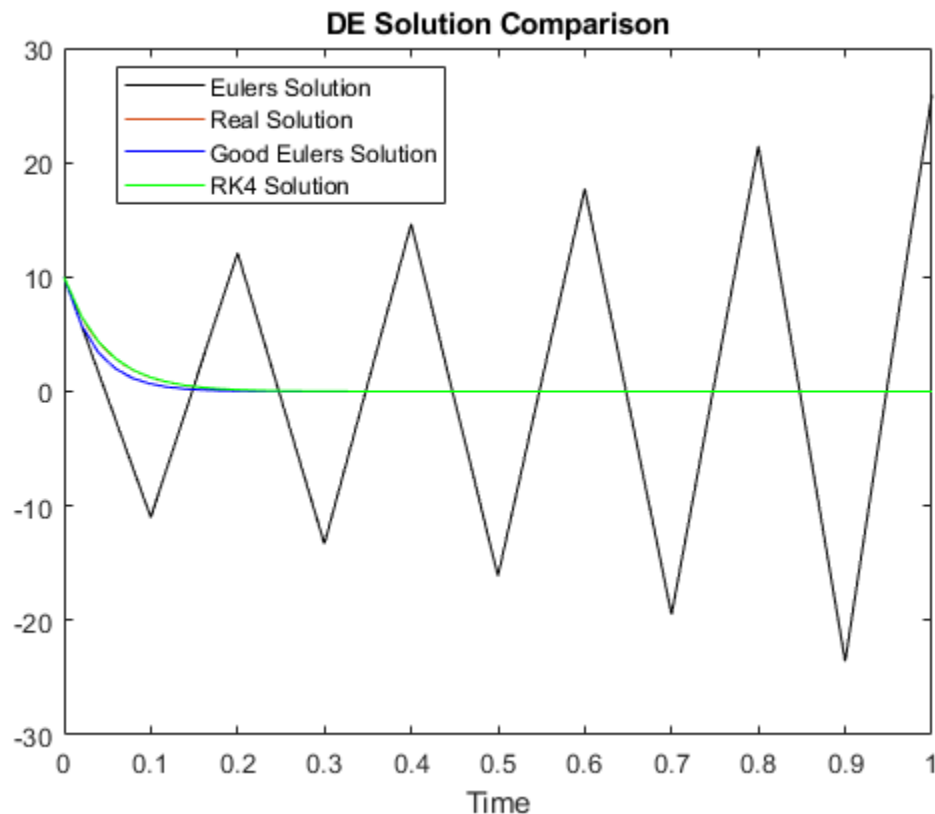
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plot(rk4T, rk4Y, 'green');
legend('Eulers Solution', 'Real Solution', 'Good Eulers
Solution', 'RK4 Solution', 'location', 'best');
hold off;

disp('Question 3d:');
disp('The RK4 approximation looks nearly identical to the true
solution. By far better than Eulers at the same number of timesteps.
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4 b) Solve the equations using initial conditions given

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%create the differential equations to solve
f=@(t,u,v) (v);
g=@(t,u,v) ((-0.5*v - 4*u) / 1);
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alphas=[0,-.05]; %the first de solves velocity, so it starts at 0,
    from
t0 = 0;           %rest, the second de solves positon, starts at -0.05
    m
tf = 10;
N = 10000;

% solve using the Euler system developed in question 2
[y,t] = euler_system(f,g,t0,tf,alphas,N);

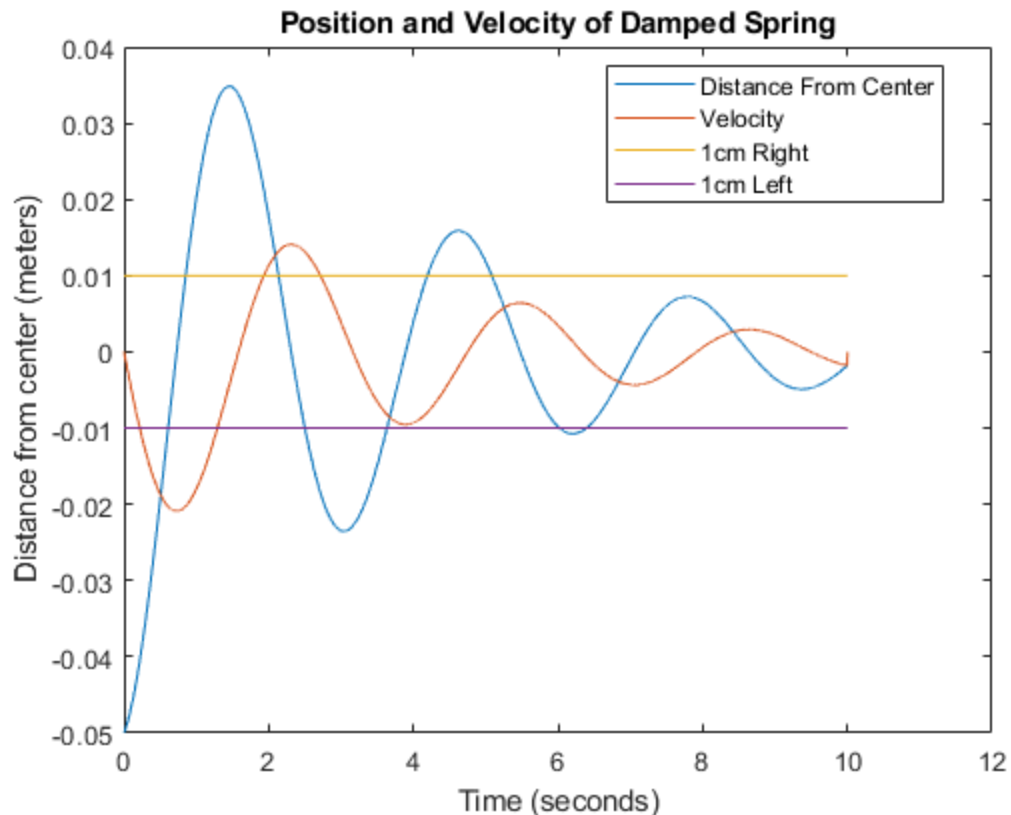
%extract solutions into individual vectors
%the first de solves for velocity, x prime
xprime = y(:,1);
%the second de solves for position from center x
x = y(:,2);

%plot results of x(t)to visualize them
figure(2)
plot(t, x);

%on same figure print a line at 1cm and - 1cm mark
line = zeros(size(t));
line(:) = .01;
negline = zeros(size(t));
negline(:) = -.01;

%plot the 1 cm lines and velocity xprime
hold on;
plot(t, xprime);
plot(t, line);
plot(t, negline);
xlabel('Time (seconds)');
ylabel('Distance from center (meters)');
legend('Distance From Center','Velocity','1cm Right' , '1cm Left'
, 'location', 'best')
title('Position and Velocity of Damped Spring');
hold off;

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4 c) Find time where spring no longer reaches distance of 1cm

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disp('Question 4c:');

disp('From the graph we can approximate that the spring no longer
reaches 1cm slightly after 6 seconds');

disp('Now lets code to find a more exact solution!');

%because we care about 1cm in EITHER direction, take the absolute
value of
%x
absDistance = abs(x);

%to find when the spring no longer reaches 1cm then we will iterate
over
%abs distance, and everytime we detect a change from being less
than .01 to
%greater than .01 or vice versa then we will save the index, after
that we
%can just add 1 and find the time at that index

%start with a negative index, as we know this cant exist
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lastChangeIndex = -1;

%iterate over absDistance excluding first and last elements
for i = 2 : length(absDistance) - 1

    %grab values around the current i value
    left = absDistance(i - 1);
    right = absDistance(i + 1);

    %if there is a change in equivalence to .01
    %then we pass over .01 between left and right
    %so save i as the last index to reach .01
    if left < .01 && right > .01 || left > .01 && right < .01
        lastChangeIndex = i;
    end

end

%print out the time at last index + 1 to determine the time
time = t(lastChangeIndex + 1);

fprintf('The time at which the spring no longer reaches a distance
greater than 1cm from the center is %f seconds.\n', time);

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The time at which the spring no longer reaches a distance greater than 1cm from the center is 6.395000 seconds.

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