

Math Capstone Project

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Part I:

Given $m\ddot{x} = -\gamma\dot{x} - Kx$ (1.1), we can set $p = \dot{x}$ (1.2), which further gives $\dot{p} = \ddot{x}$ (1.3). We then substituted these new notations into (1.1) and obtained $\dot{p} = (-\gamma p - Kx)/m$ (1.4) after some simple algebraic operations.

Given the initial position of the Brownie motion particle, $x(0) = x_0$ and its initial velocity, $p(0) = p_0$, we are interested to approximate the positions of the particle at different values of t . By applying the Taylor expansion, we have,

$$\begin{aligned}x(h) &= x(0) + \dot{x}(0)h \\&= x(0) + p(0)h && \text{(by 1.2)} \\&= x_0 + p_0h && \text{(by IVP condition)} \\p(h) &= p(0) + \dot{p}(0)h \\&= p(0) + ((-\gamma p(0) - Kx(0))/m)h && \text{(by 1.4)} \\&= p_0 + h(-\gamma p_0 - Kx_0)/m && \text{(by IVP condition)} \\x(2h) &= x(h) + \dot{x}(h)h \\&= x(h) + p(h)h && \text{(by 1.2)} \\&= x(h) + h(p_0 + h(-\gamma p_0 - Kx_0)/m) && \text{(by substitution of } p(h)\text{)}\end{aligned}$$

From the above procedure, we moved from time 0 to time t . WLOG, by setting $t_{n+1} = t_n + h$, we can further generalised such a procedure to,

$$\begin{aligned}x(t_n) &= x(t_{n-1}) + \dot{x}(t_{n-1})h \\&= x(t_{n-1}) + p(t_{n-1})h\end{aligned}$$

[Notice that $x(t_{n-1})$ and $p(t_{n-1})$ were already obtained from the previous iteration.]

$$\begin{aligned} p(t_n) &= p(t_{n-1}) + \dot{p}(t_{n-1})h \\ &= p(t_{n-1}) + h(-\gamma p(t_{n-1}) - Kx(t_{n-1}))/m \\ x(t_{n+1}) &= x(t_n) + \dot{x}(t_n)h \\ &= x(t_n) + p(t_n)h \end{aligned}$$

We can observe that in the final expression of $x(t_{n+1})$, we have already calculated the $x(t_n)$ and $p(t_n)$ from the previous steps. That makes our idea of approximating $x(t)$ for all t using Python's iterative function practicable.

Forward Euler Method in Python

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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy.integrate import odeint
import numpy as np

# Initialized the parameters
h = 0.001 # time step
interval_len = 10 # the length of the interval

m = 1 # mass
K = 2 # spring constant
gamma = 20 # frictional coefficient

# x_n := x(t_n)
# dx_n := the first derivative of x(t_{n-1})
x_0 = 0 # initial position of the particle
p_0 = 100 # initial velocity of the particle

# initialize the values for iterations
x_n = x_0
p_n = p_0

N_ls = [0] # The i list, which are the index of t_i
x_n_ls = [x_n] # contains the trajectory of x at different time t_i

# N = truncate_to_integer(interval_len/h) + 1
for N in range(1, int(interval_len/h)+1):
    x_n = x_n + p_n*h
    p_n = p_n + h*(-gamma*p_n - K*x_n)/m
    N_ls.append(N)
    x_n_ls.append(x_n)
    # print(x_n)
    # print(p_n)
plt.plot(N_ls, x_n_ls)
plt.plot(N_ls, x_n_ls, '-')
plt.xlabel("Time_t")
plt.ylabel("X(t)")
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To set up a valid criterion to verify our numerical approximation, we will also derive the analytical solutions for (1.1). Moving terms in (1.1) gives us $m\ddot{x} + \gamma\dot{x} + Kx = 0$ (1.5). Since m , γ and K are all constants, we recognize

(1.5) as a homogeneous, linear, second order differential equation. The characteristic equation of (1.5), hence, is $mw^2 + rw + K = 0$. Solving this quadratic equation gives $w = (-\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4mK})/2m$ so we will further separate our discussion into three cases.

Case 1: When $r^2 - 4mK > 0$, then the roots of the characteristic equation, w_1 and w_2 are real and distinct. The general solution of (1.5) is, hence, $x(t) = c_1 e^{w_1 t} + c_2 e^{w_2 t}$ (1.6). Given $x(0) = x_0$, we obtained $c_1 + c_2 = x_0$ (1.7). Given $\dot{x}(0) = p(0) = p_0$, we first took first derivative w.r.t t on both sides of (1.6) and attained $\dot{x} = c_1 w_1 e^{w_1 t} + c_2 w_2 e^{w_2 t}$. Further evaluating \dot{x} at point 0 gives, $\dot{x}(0) = c_1 w_1 + c_2 w_2 = p_0$ (1.8). By equating (1.7) and (1.8) and using the Cramer's rule, we obtained,

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 = x_0 \\ c_1 w_1 + c_2 w_2 = p_0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_1 = (x_0 w_2 - p_0)/(w_2 - w_1) \\ c_2 = (p_0 - w_1 x_0)/(w_2 - w_1) \end{cases}$$

The general solution of (1.5) under IVP condition is, therefore, $x(t) = (x_0 w_2 - p_0)/(w_2 - w_1) e^{w_1 t} + (p_0 - w_1 x_0)/(w_2 - w_1) e^{w_2 t}$, where $w_{1,2} = (-\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4mK})/(2m)$.

Case 2: When $\gamma^2 - 4mK = 0$, then the roots of the characteristic equation, w_1, w_2 are real and but repeated (i.e. $w_1 = w_2 = w$). The general solution of (1.5) is, hence, $x(t) = c_1 e^{wt} + c_2 t e^{wt}$ (1.9). Given $x(0) = x_0$, we obtained $c_1 = x_0$ (2.0). Given $\dot{x}(0) = p(0) = p_0$, we first took first derivative w.r.t t on both sides of (1.9) and attained $\dot{x} = c_1 w e^{wt} + c_2 (w t e^{wt} + e^{wt})$. Further evaluating \dot{x} at point 0 gives, $\dot{x}(0) = c_1 w + c_2 = p_0$ (2.1). By equating (2.0) and (2.1), we obtained $c_2 = p_0 - x_0 w$. The general solution of (1.9), hence, is $x(t) = x_0 e^{wt} + (p_0 - x_0 w) t e^{wt}$, where $w = (-\gamma + \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4mK})/(2m)$.

Case 3: When $\gamma^2 - 4mK < 0$, then the roots of the characteristic equation, w_1 and w_2 are complex and it is in the form of $w_{1,2} = \lambda \pm \mu i$. The general solution of (1.5) is, hence, $x(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda t} \cos(\mu t) + c_2 e^{\lambda t} \sin(\mu t)$ (2.2). Given $x(0) = x_0$, we obtained $c_1 = x_0$ (2.3). Given $\dot{x}(0) = p(0) = p_0$, we first took first derivative w.r.t t on both sides of (2.2) and attained $\dot{x} = c_1 e^{\lambda t} [-\mu \sin(\mu t) + \lambda \cos(\mu t)] + c_2 e^{\lambda t} [\mu \cos(\mu t) + \lambda \sin(\mu t)]$. Further evaluating \dot{x} at point 0 gives, $\dot{x}(0) = c_1 \lambda + c_2 \mu = p_0$ (2.4). By equating (2.3) and (2.4), we obtained $c_2 = (p_0 - x_0 \lambda)/\mu$. The general solution of (1.9), hence, is $x(t) = x_0 e^{\lambda t} \cos(\mu t) + (p_0 - x_0 \lambda) e^{\lambda t} \sin(\mu t)/\mu$, where $w_{1,2} = (-\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4mK})/(2m) = \lambda \pm \mu i$.

An Analytical Approach to solve ODEs in Python

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# Reference :
# https://blog.csdn.net/weixin_42376039/article/details/86485817
# https://www.epythonguru.com/2020/07/second-order-differential-equation.html
# https://apmonitor.com/pdc/index.php/Main/SolveDifferentialEquations
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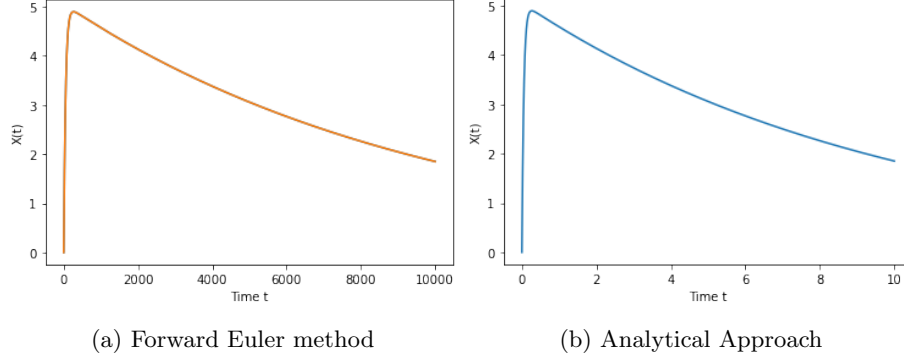


Figure 1: $m = 1$, $K = 2$, $\gamma = 10$ (Overdamped)

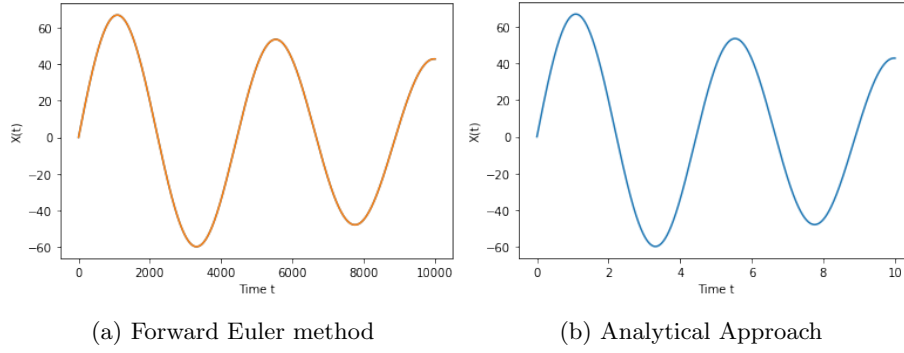


Figure 2: $m = 10$, $K = 20$, $\gamma = 1$ (Underdamped)

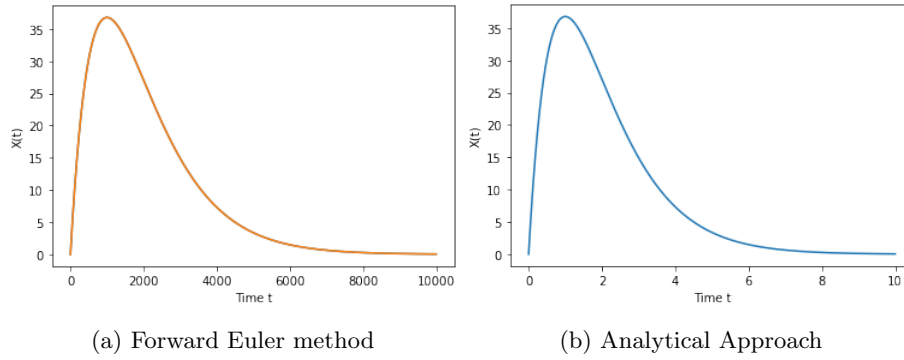


Figure 3: $m = 1$, $K = 1$, $\gamma = 2$

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# odeint() can define more than one 1st order differential equations
# And we can solve even higher order ODEs by using multiple 1st order ODEs.
def derivatives(initial_values , time_interval):
    x_0 = initial_values[0]
    dxdt_0 = initial_values[1]
    sec_dxdt_0 = -gamma/m*dxdt_0-K/m*x_0
    return(dxdt_0 , sec_dxdt_0)
initial_values = [x_0 , p_0]
time_interval = np.linspace(0 , interval_len , N)
ODE_sol = odeint(derivatives , initial_values , time_interval)
ODE_sol = ODE_sol[:,0]
plt.plot(time_interval , ODE_sol , '-')
plt.xlabel("Time_t")
plt.ylabel("X(t)")

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Introducing Noise to X's trajectory in Python

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# Initialized the parameters
h = 0.001 # time step
interval_len = 1000 # the length of the interval

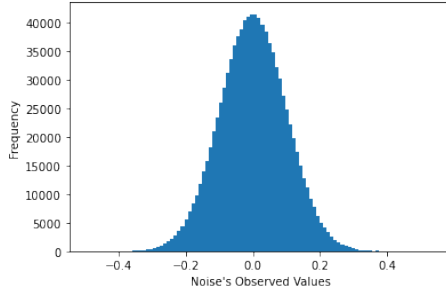
m = 2 # mass
K = 5 # spring constant
gamma = 10 # frictional coefficient

mu , sigma = 0 , 0.1 # mean and standard deviation
noise_sample = np.random.normal(mu , sigma , N)
plt.hist(noise_sample , bins = 100)
plt.xlabel("Noise's_Observed_Values")
plt.ylabel("Frequency")
plt.show()

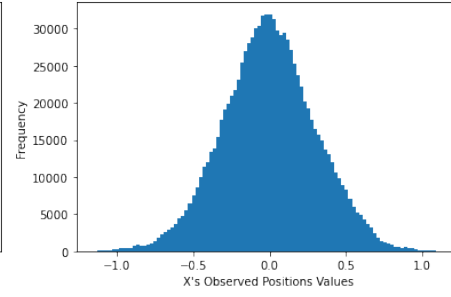
x_noise_i = x_0
x_noise_ls = [x_noise_i]
for i in range(1 , int(interval_len/h)+1):
    x_noise_i = x_noise_i - K/gamma*x_noise_i*h + noise_sample[i-1]/gamma
    x_noise_ls.append(x_noise_i)
plt.hist(x_noise_ls , bins = 100)
plt.xlabel("X's_Observed_Positions_Values")
plt.ylabel("Frequency")
plt.show()

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$$x_i = x_{i-1} + \int_{(i-1)h}^{ih} \dot{x}(t) dt$$



(a) Histogram of Noise



(b) Histogram of $X(t)$

[we can regard $\int_{(i-1)h}^{ih} \dot{x}(t) dt$ as distance = velocity \times time]

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= x_{i-1} + \int_{(i-1)h}^{ih} \left(-\frac{k}{r}x + \frac{\xi(t)}{r} \right) dt \\
 &= x_{i-1} - \frac{k}{r} \int_{(i-1)h}^{ih} x(t) dt + \frac{1}{r} \int_{(i-1)h}^{ih} \xi(t) dt \\
 &= x_{i-1} - \frac{k}{r} x_{i-1} h + \frac{\xi_i}{r}
 \end{aligned}$$