MATH 5620/6865: FINAL: JORDAN SAETHRE

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(1) (a) (10 pts) Use the fast Fourier transform to solve the following pure initial value problem to obtain $u(x,\tau)$:

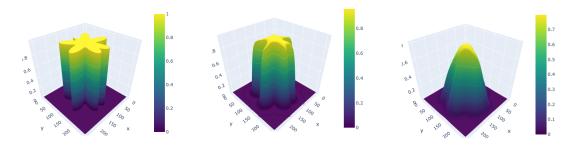
$$\begin{cases} u_t = \Delta u \\ u(x, y, 0) = u_0 \end{cases}$$

in the domain $[-\pi,\pi]^2$ with u_0 being the indicator function of the domain bounded by

$$\begin{cases} x = r\cos(\theta) \\ y = r\sin(\theta) \end{cases}$$

where $r = 0.5\pi + 0.2\pi \sin(6\theta)$ and $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$.

FFT on 2D Heat Equation Output: n=256 and $\tau=0.01$ initial condition, after 2 iterations, and after 10 iterations.



FFT on 2D Heat Equation Code:

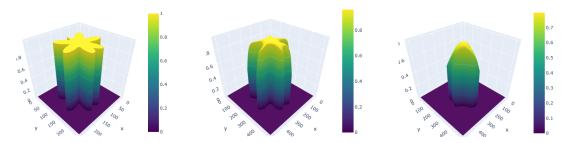
```
1 import numpy as np
  import pandas as pd
  import plotly.graph_objects as go
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6
  b = np.pi
  n = 256
  tau = 0.01
9
  k = np.linspace(-n/2,n/2+1, n)
10 \mid x = np.linspace(a,b,n+1)
   y = np.linspace(a,b,n+1)
  |iterates1 = 2
  iterates2 = 10
13
14
15 # initial condition
  x_{\text{theta}} = lambda \text{ theta: } (np.pi/2 + (np.pi/5)
16
       *np.sin(6*theta))*np.cos(theta)
17
18 |y_{theta}| = lambda theta: (np.pi/2 + (np.pi/5))
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*np.sin(6*theta))*np.sin(theta)
19
20
21
   def initial_mat(x_theta,y_theta,n, x):
       initial = np.zeros(shape = (n,n))
22
23
       for i in range (0, len(x)-1):
24
           for j in range (0, len(x)-1):
25
                ri = np. sqrt(x[i]**2 + x[j]**2)
26
                r=np.sqrt(x_theta(np.arccos(x[i]/ri))**2
27
                    + y_theta(np.arccos(x[i]/ri))**2)
                if abs(ri)>abs(r):
29
                    initial[i,j]=0
30
                else:
31
                    initial[i,j]=1
       return(initial)
32
33
34
   # solve with fourier transforms
   def fourier_solve(u,k,tau):
35
36
       ker = np.fft.fftshift(np.exp(-k**2*tau))
37
       for i in range (0, len(x)-1):
           u[i] = np.fft.ifft(np.fft.fft(u[i])*ker)
38
       u = np.transpose(u)
39
       for j in range(0,len(y)-1):
40
           u[j] = np.fft.ifft(np.fft.fft(u[j])*ker)
41
42
       return u
43
   def fourier_iterate(x_theta,y_theta,n,x,k,iterates):
44
       u = initial_mat(x_theta,y_theta,n,x)
45
       for i in range(0, iterates):
46
47
           u_next = fourier_solve(u,k,tau)
48
           u = u next
49
       return u
50
   def plot_surface(solution):
51
       surface_df = pd.DataFrame(solution)
52
       surface_df.to_csv('surface_data.csv', index = False)
53
       surface_data = pd.read_csv('surface_data.csv')
54
       fig = go.Figure(data=[go.Surface(z=surface_data.values,
55
56
           colorscale='Viridis')])
       fig.update_traces(contours_z=dict(show=True,
57
58
           usecolormap=True, highlightcolor="limegreen",
59
             project_z=True))
60
       fig.update_layout(title='Solution', autosize=False,
           width=500, height=500,
61
62
           margin=dict(1=65, r=50, b=65, t=90),
           xaxis = dict(visible = False))
63
       fig.show()
64
65
66 | plot_surface(initial_mat(x_theta,y_theta,n,x))
67 | plot_surface(fourier_iterate(x_theta,y_theta,n,x,k,iterates1))
68 | plot_surface(fourier_iterate(x_theta,y_theta,n,x,k,iterates2))
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(b) (10 pts) Set $\tau = 0.01$ and use N^2 points to discretize the domain with N = 512. At each step, after the $u(x,\tau)$ is solved, set a new initial condition as the indicator function of $u(x,\tau) > \frac{1}{2}$, solve the heat equation, and iterate again and again to model a motion of the boundary of the domain.

FFT on 2D Heat Equation Output: n = 512 and $\tau = 0.01$ initial condition, after 2 iterations, and after 10 iterations.



FFT on 2D Heat Equation Code:

```
1 | import numpy as np
2 import pandas as pd
3 import plotly.graph_objects as go
4
5
   # parameters
   a = -np.pi
7
  b = np.pi
   n = 512
   tau = 0.01
9
  k = np.linspace(-n/2, n/2+1, n)
   x = np.linspace(a,b,n+1)
   y = np.linspace(a,b,n+1)
12
  iterates1 = 2
13
   iterates2 = 10
14
15
   # initial condition
16
17
   x_{theta} = lambda theta: (np.pi/2 + (np.pi/5)
       *np.sin(6*theta))*np.cos(theta)
18
19
   y_{theta} = lambda theta: (np.pi/2 + (np.pi/5)
20
       *np.sin(6*theta))*np.sin(theta)
21
   def initial_mat(x_theta,y_theta,n, x):
22
23
       initial=np.zeros(shape=(n,n))
       for i in range (0, len(x)-1):
24
            for j in range (0, len(x)-1):
25
26
                ri = np. sqrt(x[i]**2 +x[j]**2)
                r=np.sqrt(x_theta(np.arccos(x[i]/ri))**2
27
28
                    + y_theta(np.arccos(x[i]/ri))**2)
29
                if abs(ri)>abs(r):
30
                    initial[i,j]=0
31
                else:
32
                    initial[i,j]=1
       return(initial)
```

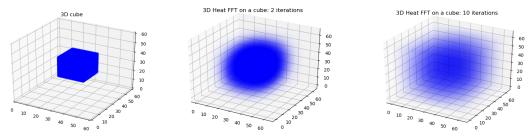
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35
    solve with fourier transforms
   def fourier_solve(u,k,tau):
36
       ker = np.fft.fftshift(np.exp(-k**2*tau))
37
       for i in range (0, len(x)-1):
38
           u[i] = np.fft.ifft(np.fft.fft(u[i])*ker)
39
       u = np.transpose(u)
40
       for j in range(0,len(y)-1):
41
42
           u[j] = np.fft.ifft(np.fft.fft(u[j])*ker)
43
       return u
44
   def fourier_iterate(x_theta,y_theta,n,x,k,iterates):
45
       u = initial_mat(x_theta,y_theta,n,x)
46
       for i in range(0, iterates):
47
           u_next = fourier_solve(u,k,tau)
48
           u = u_next
49
       for j in range(0, len(u[0])):
50
               for k in range(0,len(u[0])):
51
                    if (u_next[j,k] < 1/2):
52
53
                        u_next[j,k] = 0.0
54
       return u
55
56
   def plot_surface(solution):
       surface_df = pd.DataFrame(solution)
57
       surface_df.to_csv('surface_data.csv', index = False)
58
       surface_data = pd.read_csv('surface_data.csv')
59
       fig = go.Figure(data=[go.Surface(z=surface_data.values,
60
           colorscale='Viridis')])
61
62
       fig.update_traces(contours_z=dict(show=True,
           usecolormap=True, highlightcolor="limegreen",
63
64
           project_z=True))
       fig.update_layout(title='Solution', autosize=False,
65
           width=500, height=500,
66
           margin=dict(1=65, r=50, b=65, t=90),
67
           xaxis = dict(visible = False))
68
69
       fig.show()
70
71
  plot_surface(initial_mat(x_theta,y_theta,n,x))
  plot_surface(fourier_iterate(x_theta,y_theta,n,x,k,iterates1))
73 | plot_surface(fourier_iterate(x_theta,y_theta,n,x,k,iterates2))
```

(c) (10 pts) What can you say about the motion? Why?

The motion of the boundary in part (b) evolves from a flower toward a circle. This is because the boundary is essentially a 1D heat equation at z = 1/2. Just like in the example we did in class for 1D heat the curve tended towards a straight line, since we are dealing with a loop it will tend towards the least curvature which is a circle.

(d) (20 pts) Do above for 3-dimensional case with an initial condition as the indicator function of the unit box (i.e., $[-1,1]^3$). The domain of your computation is $[-\pi,\pi]^3$. You can set $\tau = 0.05$ and N = 64.

FFT on 3D Heat Equation Output: n = 64 and $\tau = 0.05$ initial condition, after 2 iterations, and after 10 iterations.



FFT on 3D Heat Equation Code:

```
1 import numpy as np
  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
  from mpl_toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D
3
4
5
  # parameters
6
   a = -np.pi
7
  b = np.pi
   n = 64
   tau = 0.05
   k = np.linspace(-n/2,n/2+1, n)
   x = np.linspace(a,b,n+1)
   y = np.linspace(a,b,n+1)
12
   z = np.linspace(a,b,n+1)
13
   iterates1 = 2
14
   iterates2 = 10
15
16
   def initial_mat(x,y,z,n):
17
18
       initial=np.zeros(shape=(n,n,n))
       for i in range (0, len(x)-1):
19
20
            for j in range (0, len(x)-1):
21
                for k in range (0, len(x)-1):
                    if abs(x[i]) < 1 and abs(y[j])
22
                    < 1 and abs(z[k]) < 1:
23
24
                        initial[i,j,k]=1
25
                    else:
26
                        initial[i,j,k]=0
27
       return(initial)
28
   # solve with fourier transforms
29
   def fourier_solve(u,k,tau):
30
31
       ker = np.fft.fftshift(np.exp(-k**2*tau))
       for k in range (0, len(x)-1):
32
           for i in range(0, len(x)-1):
33
                u[k,i] = np.fft.ifft(np.fft.fft(u[k,i])*ker)
34
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35
           u[k] = np.transpose(u[k])
36
           for j in range(0,len(y)-1):
37
                u[k,j] = np.fft.ifft(np.fft.fft(u[k,j])*ker)
           u[k] = np.transpose(u[k])
38
39
       u = np.transpose(u)
       for k in range(0,len(x)-1):
40
41
           for i in range (0, len(x)-1):
42
                u[k,i] = np.fft.ifft(np.fft.fft(u[k,i])*ker)
           u[k] = np.transpose(u[k])
43
           for j in range(0,len(y)-1):
44
                u[k,j] = np.fft.ifft(np.fft.fft(u[k,j])*ker)
45
           u[k] = np.transpose(u[k])
46
       u=np.transpose(u)
47
       for k in range (0, len(x)-1):
48
           for i in range (0, len(x)-1):
49
50
                u[k,i] = np.fft.ifft(np.fft.fft(u[k,i])*ker)
           u[k] = np.transpose(u[k])
51
52
           for j in range(0,len(y)-1):
53
                u[k,j] = np.fft.ifft(np.fft.fft(u[k,j])*ker)
           u[k] = np.transpose(u[k])
54
       return u
55
56
   def fourier_iterate(x,y,z,k,iterates,tau):
57
       u = initial_mat(x,y,z,n)
58
       for i in range(0, iterates):
59
           u_next = fourier_solve(u,k,tau)
60
61
           u = u_next
62
       return u
63
64 # plots
  u_initial = initial_mat(x,y,z,n)
   u = fourier_iterate(x,y,z,k,iterates1,tau)
66
67
68 X,Y,Z=u.nonzero()
  X1,Y1,Z1=u_initial.nonzero()
69
70
71 | fig=plt.figure(1)
72 | ax = fig.add_subplot(111,projection='3d')
73 | ax.scatter(X1,Y1,Z1,c='blue')
74 plt.xlim(0,60)
75 plt.ylim(0,60)
76 | ax.set_zlim(0,60)
77 plt.title('3D cube')
78 | plt.show()
79
80 | fig=plt.figure(1)
81 | ax = plt.axes(projection='3d')
82 | ax.scatter(X,Y,Z,c='blue',s=u)
83 | plt.title('3D Heat FFT on a cube: 2 iterations')
84 | plt.show()
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85 |
86 | u = fourier_iterate(x,y,z,k,iterates2,tau)
87 |
88 | fig=plt.figure(1)
89 | ax = plt.axes(projection='3d')
90 | ax.scatter(X,Y,Z,c='blue',s=u)
91 | plt.title('3D | Heat | FFT | on a cube: 10 | iterations')
92 | plt.show()
```

- (2) In 1927, W. O. Kermack and A. G. McKendrick created a model in which they considered a fixed population with only three compartments: susceptible, S(t): infected, I(t): and removed, R(t): The compartments used for this model consist of three classes:
 - S(t) is used to represent the number of individuals not yet infected with the disease at time t, or those susceptible to the disease.
 - I(t) denotes the number of individuals who have been infected with the disease and are capable of spreading the disease to those in the susceptible category.
 - R(t) is the compartment used for those individuals who have been infected and then removed from the disease, either due to immunization or due to death. Those in this category are not able to be infected again or to transmit the infection to others.

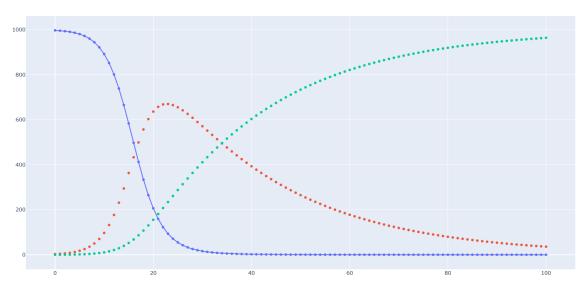
Using a fixed population, N = S(t) + I(t) + R(t), Kermack and McKendrick derived the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dS}{dt} &= -\frac{\beta SI}{N} \\ \frac{dI}{dt} &= \frac{\beta SI}{N} - \gamma I \\ \frac{dR}{dt} &= \gamma I \end{aligned}$$

where β and γ are two parameters.

(a) (20 pts) Use a high order method (e.g.,RK) you like to solve above ordinary differential equations with S(0) = 997, I(0) = 3, R(0) = 0, $\beta = 0.0004$, and $\gamma = 0.04$.

Solutions to SIR Model:



4th Order Runge Kutta to solve SIR Model Code:

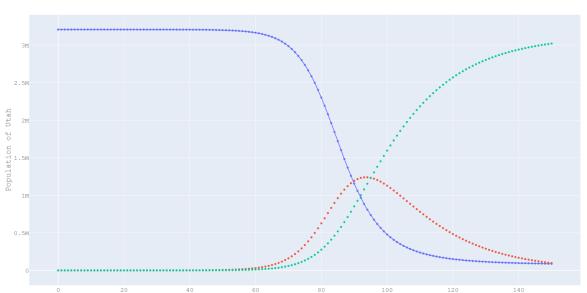
```
1 import numpy as np
  import scipy as sci
3 import plotly.graph_objects as
4
5 | beta=0.0004
6 gamma=0.04
7 S0=997
  I0 = 3
9 \mid R0 = 0
  N = SO + IO + RO
10
11 | S=lambda t,S,I,R: -beta*S*I
  I=lambda t,S,I,R: beta*S*I-gamma*I
  R=lambda t,S,I,R: gamma*I
14
15
  def Runge_Kutta_4(fS,fI,fR,S,I,R,t,h,M):
16
17
       Sref=[S]
18
       Iref=[I]
       Rref=[R]
19
20
       tlist=[t]
21
       for i in range(1,M+1):
22
           F1S=h*fS(t,S,I,R)
23
           F1I=h*fI(t,S,I,R)
24
           F1R=h*fR(t,S,I,R)
           F2S=h*fS(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F1S,I+0.5*F1I,R+0.5*F1R)
25
           F2I=h*fI(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F1S,I+0.5*F1I,R+0.5*F1R)
26
           F2R=h*fR(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F1S,I+0.5*F1I,R+0.5*F1R)
27
           F3S=h*fS(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F2S,I+0.5*F2I,R+0.5*F2R)
28
29
           F3I=h*fI(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F2S,I+0.5*F2I,R+0.5*F2R)
30
           F3R=h*fR(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F2S,I+0.5*F2I,R+0.5*F2R)
31
           F4S=h*fS(t+h,S+F3S,I+F3I,R+F3R)
32
           F4I=h*fI(t+h,S+F3S,I+F3I,R+F3R)
33
           F4R=h*fR(t+h,S+F3S,I+F3I,R+F3R)
34
           S=S+(1/6)*(F1S+2*F2S+2*F3S+F4S)
35
            I=I+(1/6)*(F1I+2*F2I+2*F3I+F4I)
           R=R+(1/6)*(F1R+2*F2R+2*F3R+F3R)
36
37
           \#R=N-S-I
38
           t += h
            tlist.append(t)
39
40
           Sref.append(S)
           Iref.append(I)
41
            Rref.append(R)
42
       return(Sref, Iref, Rref, tlist)
43
44
45
  Y=Runge_Kutta_4(S,I,R,S0,I0,R0,0,1,100)
47 | #print(Y[2])
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```
48 | fig = go.Figure()
49 | fig.add_trace(go.Scatter(x=Y[3], y=Y[0],
50 | mode='lines+markers', name='Not Infected'))
51 | fig.add_trace(go.Scatter(x=Y[3], y=Y[1],
52 | mode='markers', name='Infected'))
53 | fig.add_trace(go.Scatter(x=Y[3], y=Y[2],
54 | mode='markers', name='Recovered/death'))
55 | fig.show()
```

(b) (10 pts) Can you use the current data on the coronavirus from US, Utah, or Salt Lake City to predict the curve in the next two weeks, roughly?

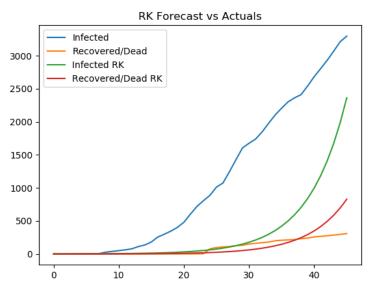
COVID-19 Two week projection:

SIR Model of COVID-19



Infected

COVID-19 Forecast Vs. Actuals:



4th Order Runge Kutta COVID-19 Two week projection Code:

```
1 from requests import get
2 from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
3 import numpy as np
4 import pandas as pd
5 import scipy as sci
6 import plotly.graph_objects as go
7
  url='https://covidtracking.com/data/state/utah#historical'
8
9
   response=get(url)
10
  | soup=BeautifulSoup(response.text,'html.parser')
11
  skill=soup.find('tbody',
12
13
       class_=
       "state-history-table state-history-module--history--2YbCy")
14
   pop=skill.find_all('tr')
15
16
17 Infected=[]
18 Recovered=[]
19 | Dead = []
20 \mid for a in pop:
21
       info=a.find_all('td')
22
       Infected.append(info[3].get_text())
       Recovered.append(info[6].get_text())
23
24
       Dead.append(info[7].get_text())
25
26 | COVID=pd. DataFrame(zip(Infected, Recovered, Dead),
       columns = ['Infected', 'Recovered', 'Dead'])
27
28 | COVID['Infected'] = COVID['Infected'].str.replace(',',','')
29 | COVID['Recovered']=COVID['Recovered'].str.replace('N/A','0')
30 | COVID['Dead'] = COVID['Dead'].str.replace('N/A','0')
31 | COVID['Infected'] = pd.to_numeric(COVID['Infected'])
   COVID['Recovered'] = pd.to_numeric(COVID['Recovered'])
  COVID['Dead'] = pd.to_numeric(COVID['Dead'])
34
35 N=3206000
36 COVID['S']=N-COVID['Infected']
37 | COVID['I'] = COVID['Infected']
38 | COVID['R'] = COVID['Recovered'] + COVID['Dead']
39
40 | Sh=list(COVID['S'])
41 | Ih=list(COVID['I'])
42 | Rh = COVID ['R']
43 | SS=Sh[::-1]
44 | II=Ih[::-1]
45 | RR=Rh[::-1]
46 | beta=[((SS[i+1]-SS[i])/(SS[i]*II[i])) for i in range(len(Sh)-1)]
47
```

```
48 T=np.linspace(0,len(Sh)-1,len(Sh))
49 import numpy as np
50 from scipy.optimize import curve_fit
51 from scipy.integrate import odeint
52
   def fitfuncg(t, gamma):
53
54
       'Function that returns Ca computed from an ODE for a k'
       def myode(I,t):
55
           return gamma*I
56
57
58
       I0=Ih[0]
59
       Casol = odeint(myode, IO, T)
60
61
       return(Casol[:,0])
62
63 k_fitg, kcovg = curve_fit(fitfuncg, T, Ih, p0=1.3)
64
65 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
66 | II=Ih [::-1]
67 | RR=Rh [::-1]
68 plt.figure(1)
69 plt.plot(T,II, label='Infected')
70 plt.plot(T,RR, label='RD')
71 plt.legend()
72 | plt.show()
73
74 | beta=0.000000073
75 gamma=abs(k_fitg[0])
76 S0=3205999
77 IO=1
78 R0=0
79 | N = SO + IO + RO
80 S=lambda t,S,I,R: -beta*S*I
81 | I=lambda t,S,I,R: beta*S*I-gamma*I
82 R=lambda t,S,I,R: gamma*I
83
84
85 def Runge_Kutta_4(fS,fI,fR,S,I,R,t,h,M):
86
       Sref=[S]
       Iref=[I]
87
       Rref=[R]
88
       tlist=[t]
89
90
       for i in range(1,M+1):
91
           F1S=h*fS(t,S,I,R)
92
           F1I=h*fI(t,S,I,R)
93
           F1R=h*fR(t,S,I,R)
94
           F2S=h*fS(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F1S,I+0.5*F1I,R+0.5*F1R)
           F2I=h*fI(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F1S,I+0.5*F1I,R+0.5*F1R)
95
96
           F2R=h*fR(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F1S,I+0.5*F1I,R+0.5*F1R)
        F3S=h*fS(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F2S,I+0.5*F2I,R+0.5*F2R)
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98
             F3I=h*fI(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F2S,I+0.5*F2I,R+0.5*F2R)
99
             F3R=h*fR(t+0.5*h,S+0.5*F2S,I+0.5*F2I,R+0.5*F2R)
             F4S=h*fS(t+h,S+F3S,I+F3I,R+F3R)
100
             F4I=h*fI(t+h,S+F3S,I+F3I,R+F3R)
101
102
             F4R=h*fR(t+h,S+F3S,I+F3I,R+F3R)
             S = (S + (1/6) * (F1S + 2 * F2S + 2 * F3S + F4S))
103
104
             I = (I + (1/6) * (F1I + 2 * F2I + 2 * F3I + F4I))
105
             R = (R + (1/6) * (F1R + 2 * F2R + 2 * F3R + F3R))
106
             \#R=N-S-I
107
             t += h
108
             tlist.append(t)
             Sref.append(S)
109
             Iref.append(I)
110
             Rref.append(R)
111
        return(Sref,Iref,Rref,tlist)
112
113
114
115
    Y=Runge_Kutta_4(S,I,R,S0,I0,R0,0,1,150)
116
   fig = go.Figure()
117
    fig.add_trace(go.Scatter(x=Y[3], y=Y[0],mode='lines+markers',
118
        name='Not Infected',))
119
    fig.add_trace(go.Scatter(x=Y[3], y=Y[1], mode='markers',
120
        name='Infected'))
121
122
    fig.add_trace(go.Scatter(x=Y[3], y=Y[2], mode='markers',
        name='Recovered/death',))
123
    fig.update_layout(title="SIR Model of COVID-19",
124
        xaxis_title="Time (days)",yaxis_title="Population of Utah",
125
126
        font=dict(
             family = "Courier New, monospace",
127
             size=18,
128
129
             color = "#7f7f7f"
130
        )
131
    )
132
    fig.show()
133
134 | Wiz=Y[3]
135 | Ye = Y [1]
   Yeet=Y[2]
136
137
   plt.figure(2)
    plt.plot(T,II, label='Infected')
138
   plt.plot(T,RR, label='Recovered/Dead')
139
    plt.plot(Wiz[0:len(Sh)], Ye[0:len(Sh)], label='Infected RK')
140
141
   plt.plot(Wiz[0:len(Sh)], Yeet[0:len(Sh)],
        label='Recovered/Dead RK')
142
143 | plt.title('RK Forecast vs Actuals')
144 plt.legend()
145 plt.show()
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(3) (20 pts) State what did you learn from numerical analysis and how do you think on this direction as a branch of Mathematics.

Numerical analysis has taught me the fundamentals of modeling and solving many problems in many different fields especially those related to engineering. Some of the highlights of these topics include:

- Derivative and Integral approximation schemes including Taylor Series expansion, Runge-Kutta, Newton-Cotes formulas, and Lagrangian interpolation.
- Numerically solve initial value problems with Multi-step methods such as the popular Predictor-Corrector using Adams-Bashforth and Adams-Moulton formulas.
- Numerically solve two point boundary problems with Shooting Method and Finite Difference Method.
- Methods for solving partial differential equations of the various types with Dirichlet, Neumann, and Robin boundary conditions:
 - Parabolic $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z^2}$. Example: heat diffusion equation
 - Elliptic $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$. Example: Laplace equation
 - **Hyperbolic** $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0$ Example: wave equation

Some of the methods we learned for solving some of these PDE's include Explicit, Implicit, and Crank Nicolson for 1D heat and Alternating Direction Implict method and Fast Fourier Transform for 3D heat.

What I enjoyed most about this class is that the methods we have learned are applicable to a huge range of interesting problems. For example with my knowledge of methods to solve the heat equation I am now equipped with the necessary tools to model and determine the parameters of a heat sink on an electrical board. Another example would be using Runge-Kutta to forecast the spread of disease. Yet another example in an even more seemingly unrelated field would be modeling the price of a stock options with the Black-Scholes equation which is a PDE that is a function of the underlying stock.