

Recap

Differential Equation is of the form

$$\mathcal{F}(x, t, u, u_x, u_t, u_{x_i x_j}, u_{tt}, \dots) = 0$$

Remember ODEs

the unknown $u(t)$ dependent only on one variable i.e. time

$$\mathcal{F}(t, u, u_t, u_{tt}, \dots) = 0$$

Initial Value Problem (IVP) for ODEs

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{F}(t, u, u_t, u_{tt}, \dots) = 0 \\ u(0) = u_0 \\ u'(0) = u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u^{(k-1)}(0) = u_{k-1} \end{cases}$$

→ The generic form
given the IVP

$$\begin{cases} \theta''(t) = -\sin(\theta(t)) \\ \theta(0) = \theta_0 \\ \theta'(0) = v_0 \end{cases}$$

can be rewritten as

$$\begin{cases} \theta'(t) = v(t) \\ v'(t) = -\sin(\theta(t)) \\ \theta(0) = \theta_0 \\ v(0) = v_0 \end{cases}$$

and rewriting again

$$\begin{cases} u = \begin{pmatrix} \theta \\ v \end{pmatrix} \\ F = \begin{pmatrix} v \\ -\sin(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$$

→ the generic form

in general:

$$u'(t) = F(u(t))$$

Types of ODEs

Autonomous ODE

if $\forall t \in [0, T]$ it holds that $\mathcal{F}(t, u(t)) \equiv \mathcal{F}(u(t))$

→ Non-autonomous ODEs can be converted

Given such ODE

$$\begin{cases} u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_m \end{pmatrix} \\ F = \begin{pmatrix} F_1 \\ \vdots \\ F_m \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$$

we simply introduce an additional $u_{m+1}(t) = t$
hence $u'_{m+1}(t) = 1$ (i.e. const. in time)

Rewriting the ODE

$$\begin{cases} u^{\text{extended}} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_m \\ u_{m+1} \end{pmatrix} \\ G = \begin{pmatrix} F_1 \\ \vdots \\ F_m \\ F_{m+1} \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$$

where by $u'(t) = F(u(t))$; $F_{m+1} = 1$
and all F_1, \dots, F_{m+1} are $\mathcal{F}(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{m+1})$.

Ex.

$u'(t) = u(t)^2 + t$ a scalar, non-autonomous ODE

introducing $u_2(t) = t$

$$\rightarrow u'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1'(t) \\ u_2'(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1(t)^2 + u_2(t) \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} ; u(0) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1(0) \\ u_2(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{1,0} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where we already rewrite the scalar ODE as a system of ODEs.

Ex.

$$u'' + u' + u = 0$$

let $u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ u' \end{pmatrix}$, then $u' = \begin{pmatrix} u_1' \\ u_2' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_2 \\ -u_2 - u_1 \end{pmatrix}$, where $u'' = -u' - u$

$$\text{and } u(0) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1(0) \\ u_2(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_0 \\ u'_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

→ Generic Form: $u' = F(u)$
 $\stackrel{\text{linearity}}{=} A \cdot u$

$$\text{and hence } A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Linear and Non-linear ODEs

ODEs are linear if g.f. function F is linear in u
which allows for representing (in general)

$$F(t, u(t)) = A(t) \cdot u(t) + c(t)$$

Ex.

$$u'(t) = u(t) + t$$

linear

$$u'(t) = u(t)^2 + t$$

non-linear

Explicit Solutions

Linear Scalar ODE

$$\begin{cases} u'(t) = \lambda u(t) \\ u(0) = u_0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow u(t) = u_0 e^{\lambda t}$$

Linear System of ODEs

$$\begin{cases} u'(t) = A u(t) \\ u(0) = u_0 \end{cases} ; A = R \Theta R^{-1}$$

note the dimensions

$$\begin{cases} u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ u_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m} \end{cases}$$

and $\Theta = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m)$ containing the Eigenvalues of A
obtained via $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$.

and $R = (r_1, \dots, r_m)$ containing the corresponding Eigenvectors (EV_1, EV_2, \dots)

(Note: if λ is complex write EV in the form $(\lambda_1), (\lambda_2), \dots$)

the solution writes

$$u(t) = R e^{\Theta t} R^{-1} u_0 ; e^{\Theta t} = \text{diag}(e^{\lambda_1 t}, e^{\lambda_2 t}, \dots)$$

OR

$$u(t) = c_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} E_{\lambda_1} + \dots + c_m e^{\lambda_m t} E_{\lambda_m}$$

Well-posedness

Lipschitz cont. on the set $[0, T] \times U$, then there exists a $T^* \in [0, T]$ s.t. there is a unique solution in $[0, T^*]$ to an IVP.

→ see lecture

Numerical Methods

Considering the std. 1st order IVP for ODEs

$$\begin{cases} u'(t) = F(t, u(t)) \\ u(0) = u_0 \end{cases}$$

where $u_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is const,

$$u: [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$F: [0, T] \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

(Note: dep. on dimension both u and F can be scalar or vector-valued fns)

• Time discretisation

Consider the IVP in the time interval $[0, T]$

where $T \in (0, \infty)$ is some fixed, finite time.

We discretise the time domain:

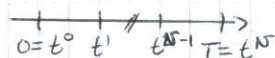
let $\Delta t > 0$ the time step 'size' ($\Delta t = \frac{T}{N}$)

then $N = \frac{T}{\Delta t}$ the # of time steps

So we divide $[0, T]$ into many intervals $[t^n, t^{n+1})$

We define $t^n = n \Delta t$

→ equally spaced intervals



for notation: $\{t^n\}_{n=0}^N$ (time steps)

t^n refers to the n^{th} time level

We want to approximate the exact solution u of the IVP at these time levels.

$\{u_n\}_{n=0}^N$ the approx. solution; $u^n \in \mathbb{R}^m$

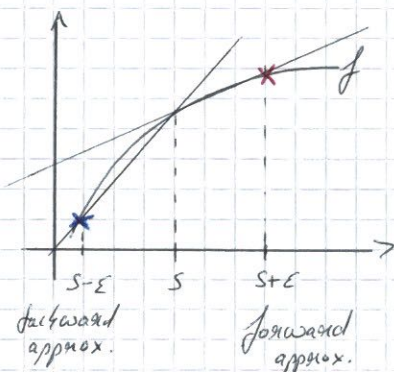
i.e. $u_n \approx u(t^n)$

$$(u_0 \approx u(t^0) = u(0) = u_0)$$

Syntax: let $u_n = u^n$ the approx. solution at t^n

Forward Euler

let's take a look at the derivative of a fn f and a point s



$$f'(s) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(s+\varepsilon) - f(s)}{\varepsilon}$$

for a reasonably small ε

$$f'(s) \approx \frac{f(s+\varepsilon) - f(s)}{\varepsilon}$$

\Rightarrow FE

$$\text{for } u'(t^n) = \mathcal{F}(t^n, u(t^n))$$

$$u'(t^n) \approx \frac{u(t^{n+1}) - u(t^n)}{\Delta t} \stackrel{\text{approx.}}{\approx} \frac{u^{n+1} - u^n}{\Delta t}$$

and

$$\mathcal{F}(t^n, u(t^n)) \stackrel{\text{approx.}}{\approx} \mathcal{F}(t^n, u^n)$$

$$\Rightarrow u^{n+1} = u^n + \Delta t \mathcal{F}(t^n, u^n) \quad \text{Forward Euler}$$

(from $s = t^n, \varepsilon = \Delta t$)

how can we improve this?

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$$\text{now let } s = t^{n+1}, \varepsilon = -\Delta t$$

$$\text{then for } u'(t^{n+1}) = \mathcal{F}(t^{n+1}, u(t^{n+1}))$$

$$u'(t^{n+1}) \approx \frac{u(t^n) - u(t^{n+1})}{(-\Delta t)} = \frac{u(t^{n+1}) - u(t^n)}{\Delta t} \stackrel{\text{approx.}}{\approx} \frac{u^{n+1} - u^n}{\Delta t}$$

and

$$\mathcal{F}(t^{n+1}, u(t^{n+1})) \stackrel{\text{approx.}}{\approx} \mathcal{F}(t^{n+1}, u^{n+1})$$

$$\Rightarrow u^{n+1} = u^n + \Delta t \mathcal{F}(t^{n+1}, u^{n+1}) \rightarrow \text{implicit (} u \text{ at future time)}$$

\Leftrightarrow

$$u^{n+1} - \Delta t \mathcal{F}(t^{n+1}, u^{n+1}) = u^n \quad \text{Backward Euler}$$

in general \mathcal{F} is non-linear: solve numerically

in the linear case: $\mathcal{F}(t, u) = A \cdot u$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$

$$(I - \Delta t A) u^{n+1} = u^n$$