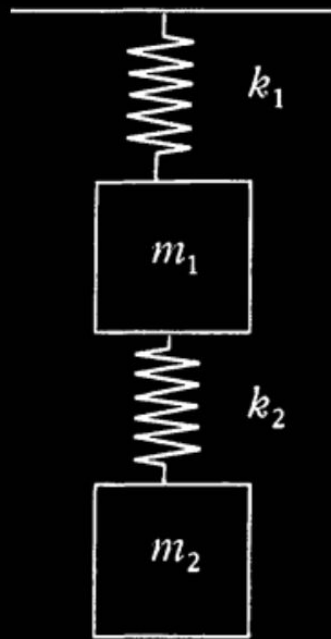


ChE352
Numerical Techniques for Chemical Engineers
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Lecture 12

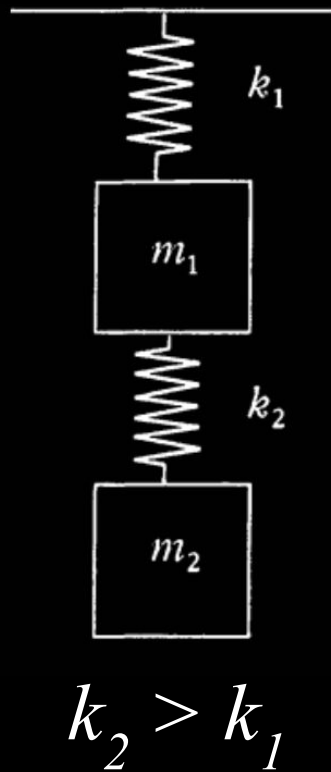


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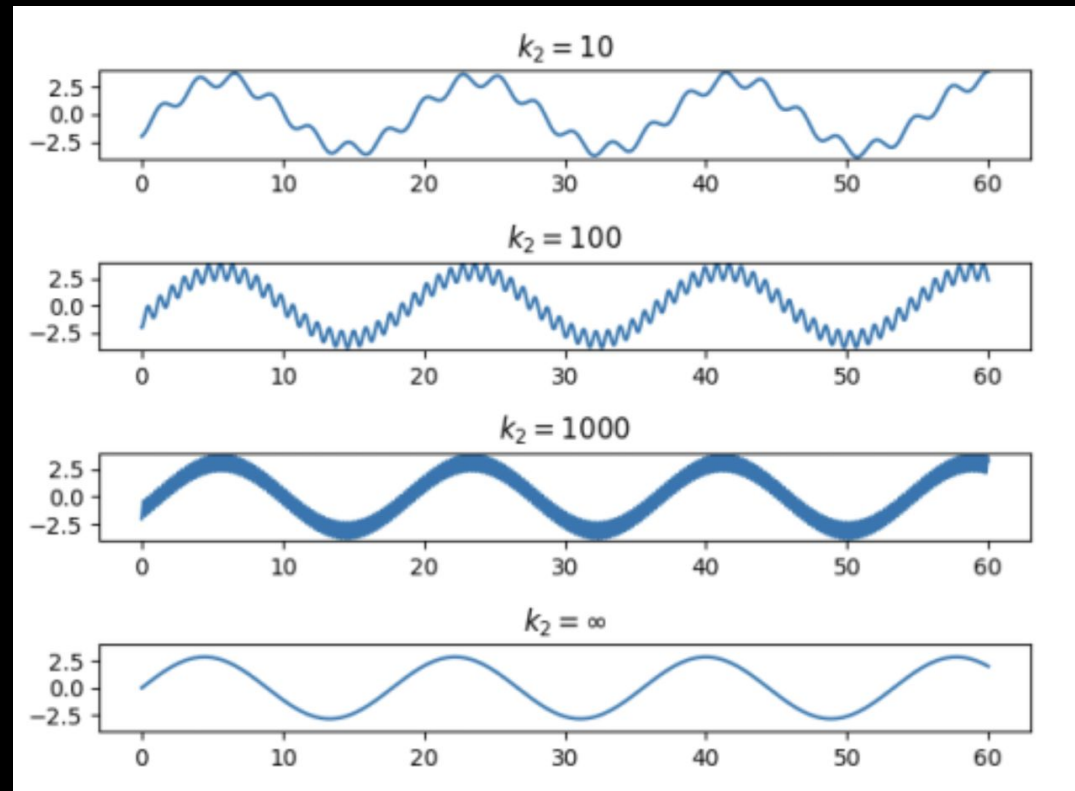
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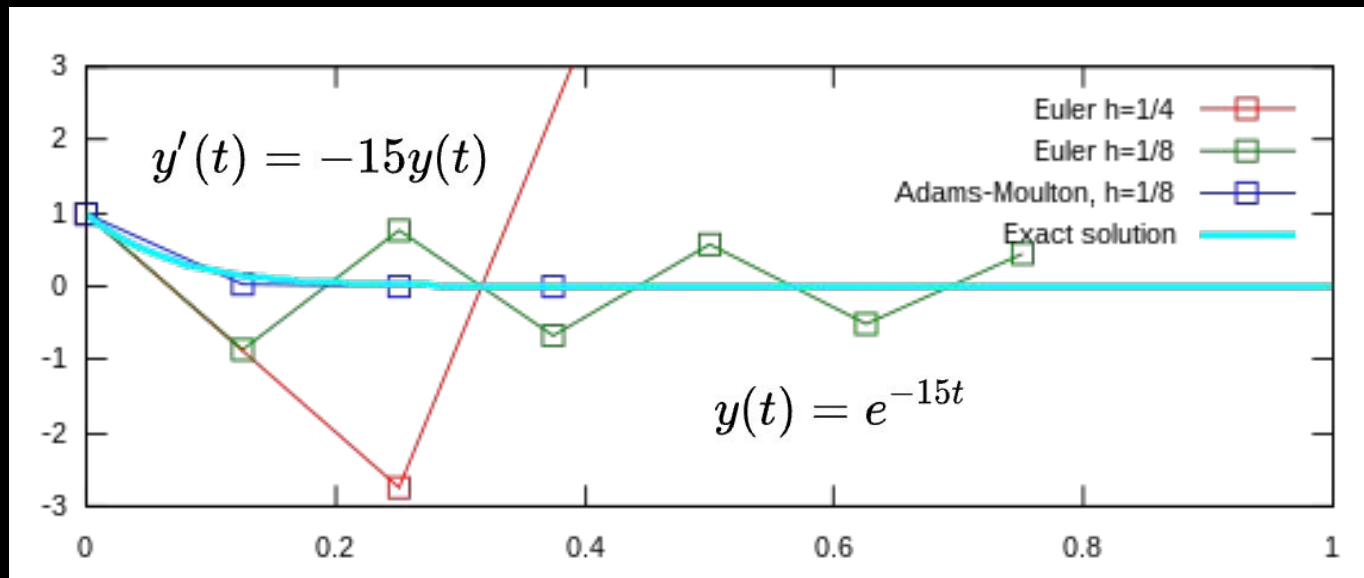
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When k_1 and k_2 are very different, this IVP becomes numerically difficult



Stiff IVPs

What happens when $f(t, y)$ is very sensitive to y , so small errors in w_i have a big effect?



Common for chemical reactions, especially when a system has both fast & slow reactions.

Where does $\exp()$ appear in chemistry?

Stiff IVPs

- When the derivatives of f grow rapidly, higher order methods can have INCREASING error. These IVPs are called stiff (after stiff springs, which have equations with this property).

$$f(t, y) = e^{-ct} \rightarrow f^{(n)}(t, y) = (-1)^n c^n e^{-ct}$$

- Problems with e^{-ct} in their solutions, for large c , are often stiff (How is this like a spring?)
- How do we know if our IVP is stiff?
- Stiff IVPs require tiny steps or stable methods

Runge-Kutta-Fehlberg, RK45

- Error bound (ϵ) is chosen by the user
- Uses Runge-Kutta order 5 to estimate the error in a Runge-Kutta order 4 step
 - Shares some ks for efficiency
 - Only six different evaluations of f per step
 - **Why not just use RK6?**
- Fast, versatile, and returns correct answers if it returns at all: great algorithm
- **Could RK45 still be dangerous in an engineering situation? How?**

RK45 Step Size

- An adaptive method uses “big” steps when f is well-behaved and “small” ones when it isn’t
- For RK45, the step size $t_{i+1} - t_i$ is qh , where:

0. Set h to default, e.g. $h = 0.1$

1. Find k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4, k_5 , and k_6

2. Find \tilde{w}_{i+1}, w_{i+1} , and q where:

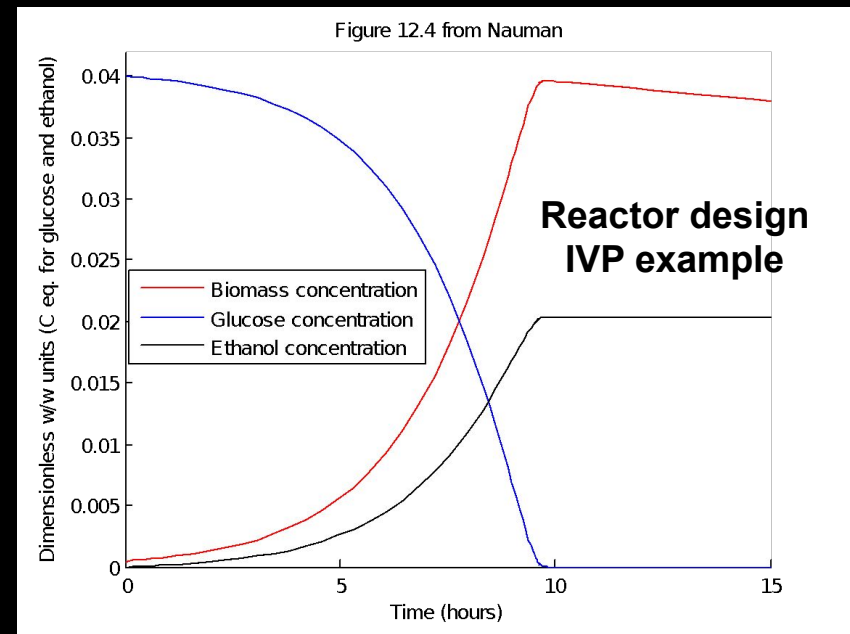
$$q = \sqrt[4]{\frac{h\varepsilon}{2|\tilde{w}_{i+1} - w_{i+1}|}}$$

What's ε ?

3. If $q > 1$: Keep w_{i+1} . Else: let $h = qh$ and go to 1.

RK45 in practice

- Error for a given h is $O(h^5)$, but since the method is adaptive, it will shrink h to get local error below your user-set tolerance ε
- RK45 uses qh to find k_1 through k_5 , uses those to get order 4 approx. (w_{i+1}), calculates order 5 step (\hat{w}_{i+1}), then calculates q from h and $(\hat{w}_{i+1} - w_{i+1})$
- If the steps get too small, RK45 may suffer from numerical errors. It may also simply run out of time.



One-step & explicit IVP methods

- All methods we've seen so far (Euler, RK2, RK4) are explicit, one-step methods
- A one-step method gives the next step y_{i+1} using only the previous step y_i (not y_{i-1} etc)
- An explicit method is a formula for $y_{i+1} = \dots$

...How can we use a method that is not an explicit formula for y_{i+1} ?

Implicit & multistep IVP methods

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- An explicit method is a formula for $y_{i+1} = \dots$
- Implicit methods require solving a system of algebraic equations **within** each step, in terms of $f(t_{i+1}, y_{i+1})$ & y_{i+1} - slow, but very **reliable**
- Multistep methods increase accuracy using more old steps y_{i-1} , y_{i-2} , etc (example: BDF)

For Stiff IVPs, higher RK = Bad

- Stiff equations often have less error with low order methods - **Why?**
- But they will still be sensitive to step size – needs to be “small enough”
- For Euler, $h < 2 / |c|$ will be stable, where c comes from the solution form e^{-ct}
- Implicit methods are the most reliable
- Try sensitivity analysis (e.g. RK45 vs BDF)

Solving Stiff IVPs in Python

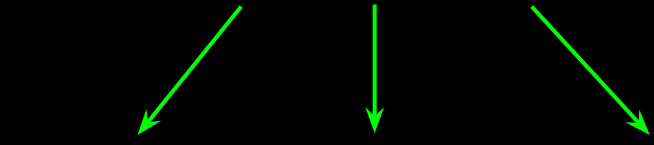
- Use `scipy.integrate.solve_ivp`
 - `sol = solve_ivp(fun, (t0, tmax), [y0])`
- If default (RK45) doesn't work (slow, blows up, or has unusual oscillations), IVP is likely stiff. Try `method='Radau'` or `'BDF'`.
 - `sol = solve_ivp(fun, (t0, tmax), [y0], method='BDF')`
 - Implicit multistep methods, good for stiff IVPs

Higher-Order IVPs

Let's say we have an m^{th} order problem instead of a first order problem: we want $y(t)$, $y'(t)$, etc:

$t_0 \leq t \leq t_{\max}$

You want each of these


$$y^{(m)}(t) = \frac{d^m y}{dt^m} = f\left(t, y(t), y'(t), \dots, y^{(m-1)}(t)\right)$$

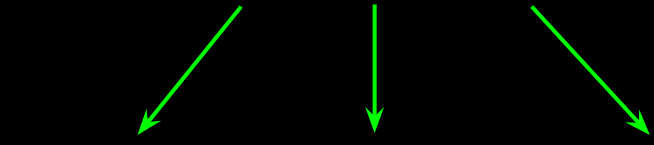
- How many initial conditions do we need?
- What is a physical example of this?
- How could we solve this IVP?

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Take advantage of the fact that each $y^{(i)}(t)$ is the derivative of the one below it $y^{(i-1)}(t)$, so you can treat this as an IVP system instead

m^{th} Order IVP Example

$$0 \leq t \leq 1, \quad \boxed{y_0 = -0.4, \quad y'_0 = -0.6} \quad \leftarrow \text{Initial conditions}$$

$$y'' - 2y' + 2y = e^{2t} \sin(t) \quad \leftarrow \text{We can calculate } y'' \text{ if we have the rest, so use that as our } f(t, u)$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 2 : \quad \leftarrow \text{Two dependent variables}$$

$$\boxed{y''(t) = \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = f(t, y(t), y'(t)) = 2y' - 2y + e^{2t} \sin(t)}$$

$$\Rightarrow u_1 \equiv y, \quad u_2 \equiv y' :$$

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} u'_1(t) &= u_2 = f_1(t, u_1, u_2), & u_1(0) &= y_0 = -0.4 \\ u'_2(t) &= 2u_2 - 2u_1 + e^{2t} \sin(t) = f_2(t, u_1, u_2), & u_2(0) &= y'_0 = -0.6 \end{aligned}}$$

Now we can solve for u_1 & u_2

Activity: Higher Order IVPs

5 min to do, 5 min discuss

Set up the IVP system for the following third order ODE:

$$1 \leq t \leq 2, \quad y(1) = 2, \quad y'(1) = 8, \quad y''(1) = 6$$

$$t^3 y''' + t^2 y'' - 2ty' + 2y = 8t^3 - 2$$

State the components of u and f :

$$u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m$$

$$f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m$$

Answer: Higher Order IVPs

$$u_1 \equiv y, \quad u_2 \equiv y' = u_1', \quad u_3 \equiv y'' = u_2' \quad \rightarrow$$

$$u_1' = u_2, \quad u_2' = u_3,$$

$$t^3 u_3' + t^2 u_3 - 2t u_2 + 2u_1 = 8t^3 - 2 \quad \rightarrow$$

$$u_1'(t) = u_2 = f_1(t, u_1, u_2, u_3)$$

$$u_2'(t) = u_3 = f_2(t, u_1, u_2, u_3)$$

$$u_3'(t) = t^{-3} (8t^3 - 2 - t^2 u_3 + 2t u_2 - 2u_1) = f_3(t, u_1, u_2, u_3)$$

$$u_1(1) = 2, \quad u_2(1) = 8, \quad u_3(1) = 6$$

Differential-Algebraic Systems

- What if we have an IVP system containing an *unknown*, and a *constraint* on the unknown?

$$y^{(m)}(t) = \frac{d^m y}{dt^m} = f\left(t, \mathbf{v}, y, y', \dots, y^{(m-1)}\right)$$

$$C(t, \mathbf{v}, y) = 0, \quad C: \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p, \quad \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

Green \mathbf{v}
here is new

- How many initial conditions do we need?
- How do we solve this IVP system?

Higher Order IVP example: $F = ma$

- Dynamics ($F = ma$) is a second-order IVP
- We want to know $x(t)$ & $v(t)$
- We have $a(t) = F/m = v'(t) = x''(t)$
- If F is constant (**example?**), this is an integral
- But usually $F = f(x)$ or $f(x, v)$ - **examples?**
- We can solve this if we know initial position x and initial velocity v
- You might see intuitively why we need initial conditions for both position & velocity

Where do we get F?

To calculate forces on a system of molecules, you either use quantum mechanics, or this:

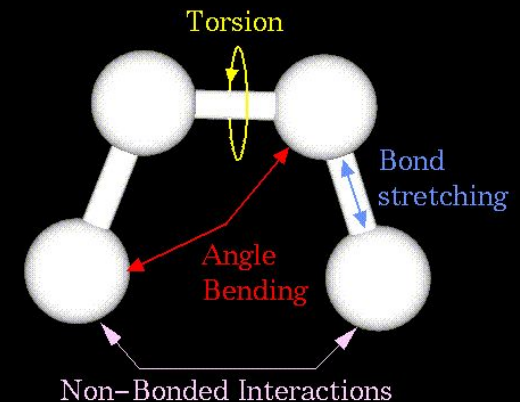
$$E(\hat{r}) = \sum (E_{bonds}, E_{angles}, E_{torsions}, E_{pairs})$$

$$E_{bonds} = \sum_{bonds} k_r (r - r_0)^2$$

$$E_{angles} = \sum_{angles} k_\theta (\theta - \theta_0)^2$$

$$E_{torsions} = \sum_{torsions} \sum_n k_{\phi,n} \cos(n\phi)$$

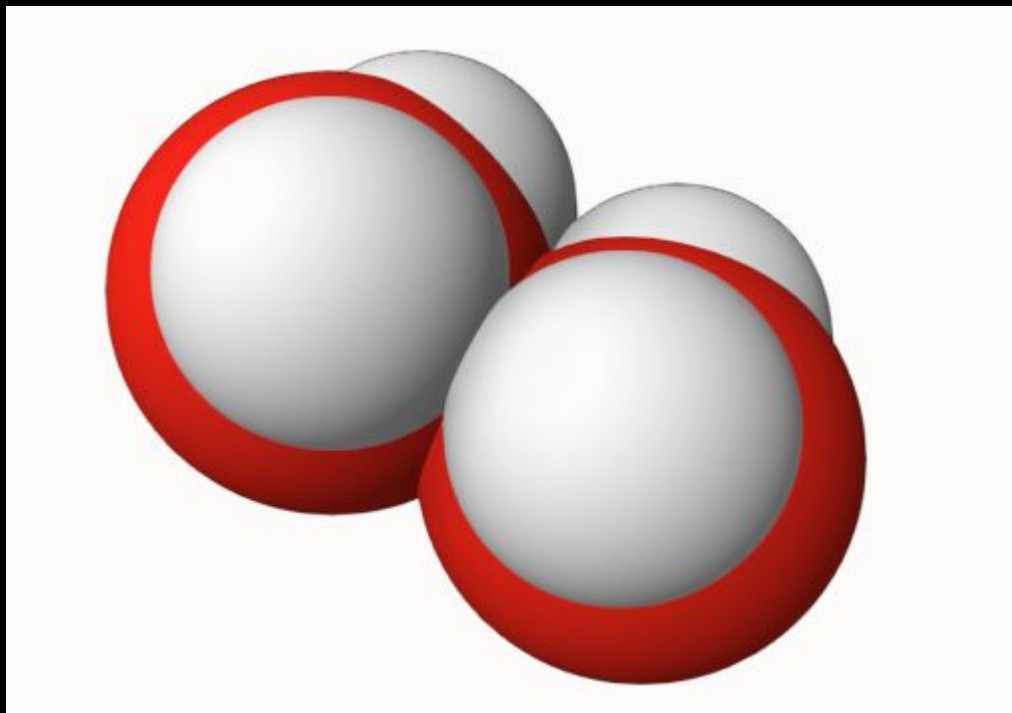
$$E_{pairs} = \sum_{i>j} \left(\frac{A_{ij}}{r_{ij}^{12}} - \frac{B_{ij}}{r_{ij}^6} + \frac{q_i q_j}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r_{ij}} \right)$$



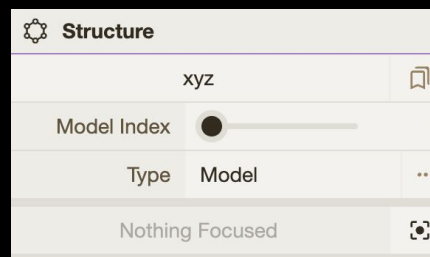
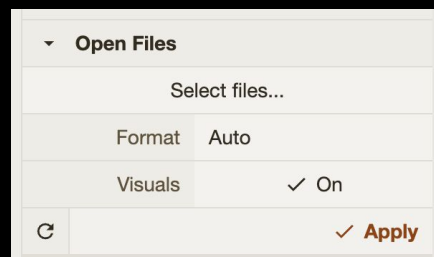
This kind of approximation is called a "force field"

Where do we get F?

<https://www.kaggle.com/allaboutchemistry/xtb-water-ivp>



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<https://molstar.org/viewer/>



Next week: numerical linear algebra

Pre-reading for next week:

Matrix solvers,
eigenvectors, & norms:
PNM 14.1-7, 15.1 & 15.4

More math:

F&B 7.1-7.3, 6.2, 6.4-6.6.

