ADDENDUM A: Assignments

A.1 Assignment 01

ASSIGNMENT 01 Due date: Wednesday, 30 April 2025

ONLY FOR YEAR MODULE

1. Consider the differential equation

$$y'(x) = -3x^2y^2$$
, $y(0) = 2$,

which has the analytical solution

$$y=\frac{2}{2x^3+1}.$$

Apply the modified Euler method to solve the equation up to x = 1 first with steplength h = 0.2 and then with h = 0.1. At each step make 2 corrections. Also calculate the error at each step.

In your solution include:

- (i) description of the algorithms used
- (ii) program listing (printout)
- (iii) computer results (printout)

(iv) discussion of the results

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2. Solve the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3x + 2y + xy, \quad y(0) = -1$$

by means of the Taylor-series expansion to get the value of y at x = 0.1. Use terms up to x^6 . (10)

3. Consider the system of coupled second-order differential equations

$$u'' - (t+1)uv + v' = \cos t$$

 $v'' = u' + uv$

with initial conditions

$$u(0) = 2$$
, $u'(0) = 1$, $v(0) = 3$, $v'(0) = -1$.

Use the second-order Runge-Kutta method with h = 0.2 and a = 2/3, b = 1/3, $\alpha = \beta = 3/2$, to find u, u', v and v' at t = 0.2.

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