

## Ordinary Differential Equations (ODE)

$$\frac{df(t)}{dt} = -kf(t)$$

- unknown is a function
- derivative appears in Eq.

ODE: function only depends on one variable

PDE: two or more variables (e.g.  $t, x, y_1, y_2$ )

order: highest derivative

$$\frac{d^2f}{dt^2} + \frac{df}{dt} = \exp(f) \quad \text{--- second order}$$

## Initial Value Problem (IVP)

ODE + initial condition specifies  $f(t)$  in the domain

## Analytical solutions to ODES

$$\frac{df(t)}{dt} = -\kappa f(t)$$

Seek a function  $f(t)$  that satisfies  
the equation

(1) brate force

$$f(t) = \exp(-\kappa t)$$

guess

test solution

$$\frac{df}{dt} = -\kappa \exp(-\kappa t) = -\kappa f(t)$$



## 2 Integration by Separation of Variables

$$\frac{df}{dt} = -kf \quad \text{initial value } f(0) = a$$

$$\frac{1}{f} df = -k dt$$

$$\int_a^x \frac{1}{f} df = \int_0^c -k dt$$

$$f(t=0) = a$$

$$[\ln f]_a^x = [-kt]_0^c$$

$$\ln(x) - \ln(a) = -kt - 0$$

$$\frac{x}{a} = \exp(-kt)$$

$$x = a \exp(-kt)$$

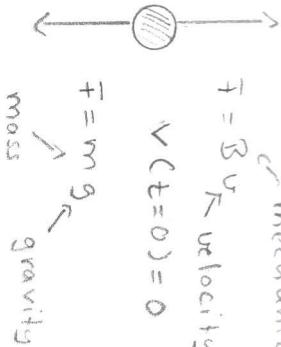
↑  
initial value

Second example: time to reach terminal velocity

$\curvearrowleft$  mechanical mobility

$$\vec{F} = \beta v_R \text{ velocity}$$

$$v(t=0) = 0$$



$$\sum \vec{F} = m \frac{dv}{dt} = mg - \beta v$$

Newton's Law

$$\frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{\beta}{m} v = g$$

$$\tau = \frac{m}{\beta}$$
 relaxation time

$$\frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{1}{\tau} v = g$$

$$\int_0^v \frac{1}{g - \frac{1}{\tau} v'} dv' = \int_0^t dt$$

$$\frac{d(\ln(a + bx))}{dx} = \frac{b}{a + bx}$$

$$\left[ \ln(g - \frac{1}{\tau} v') \right]_0^v = t \Rightarrow v = g \tau (1 - e^{-t/\tau})$$

Similar to RC circuit

3. Solution using the Laplace Transform

$$f' + 3f = \exp(2t) \quad f(0) = 1$$

$$\mathcal{L}(f' + 3f) = \mathcal{L}\exp(2t)$$

$$s\tilde{f} - 1 + 3\tilde{f} = \frac{1}{s-2}$$

$$\tilde{f} = \frac{1}{(s-2)(s+3)} + \frac{1}{s+3}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{-1}(F) = \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{(s-2)(s+3)}\right) + \mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s+3}\right)$$

$$f = \frac{1}{5}(\exp(2t) - \exp(-3t)) + \exp(-3t)$$

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{5}\exp(2t) + \frac{4}{5}\exp(-3t)$$

$\mathcal{L}(af + bg)$	$a\tilde{f}(s) + b\tilde{g}(s)$
$\mathcal{L}(f')$	$\tilde{f}(s) - f(0)$
$\mathcal{L}(f'')$	$s^2\tilde{f}(s) - sf(0) - f'(0)$
$\mathcal{L}(t^n)$	$L^{-1}\left\{\frac{n!}{s^{n+1}}\right\}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
$\mathcal{L}(e^{at})$	$L^{-1}\left\{\frac{1}{s-a}\right\}$
$\mathcal{L}(\sin kt)$	$L^{-1}\left\{\frac{k}{s^2+k^2}\right\}$
$\mathcal{L}(\cos kt)$	$L^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2+k^2}\right\}$
$\mathcal{L}(\sinh kt)$	$L^{-1}\left\{\frac{k}{s^2-k^2}\right\}$
$\mathcal{L}(\cosh kt)$	$L^{-1}\left\{\frac{s}{s^2-k^2}\right\}$

What is  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{(s-2)(s+3)}\right)$  ?

$$\frac{1}{(s-2)(s+3)} = \frac{A}{(s-2)} + \frac{B}{(s+3)}$$

"partial fraction decomposition"

assume  $s=2$  and multiply by  $(s-2)$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{s}$$

assume  $s=-3$  and multiply by  $(s+3)$

$$\Rightarrow B = -\frac{1}{5}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{s}}{s-2} - \frac{\frac{1}{5}}{s+3}$$
$$\left. \quad \quad \quad \right) \mathcal{L}^{-1}$$
$$\frac{1}{5} \exp(2t) - \frac{1}{5} \exp(-3t)$$

## Higher Order ODES

$$a f''' + b f'' + c f' + d = g(x)$$

homogeneous:  $g(x) = 0$

inhomogeneous:  $g(x) \neq 0$

$$\text{LVP: } f(0), f'(0), f''(0), \dots$$

typical solution

$$f = A \cdot e^{\lambda x}$$

$\rightarrow \lambda$  complex  $\Rightarrow$  sinusoids

$$f' = A\lambda e^{\lambda x}$$

$$f'' = A\lambda^2 e^{\lambda x}$$

Solution approach for homogeneous case

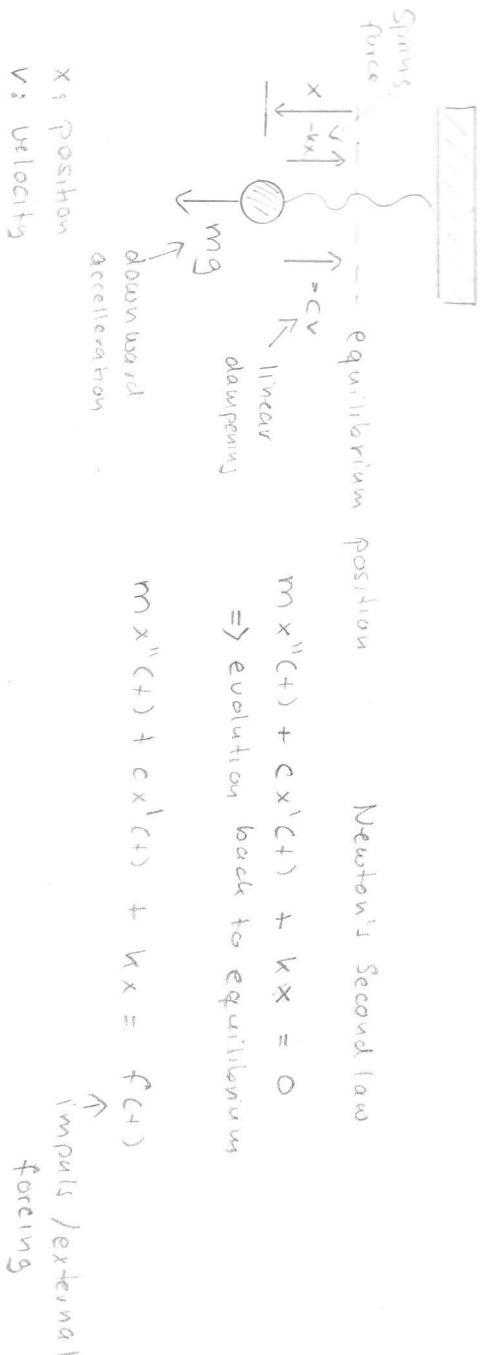
characteristic equation

$$a\lambda^3 + b\lambda^2 + c\lambda + d = 0$$

$\rightarrow$  find roots

$$f(t) = c_1 \exp(\lambda_1 t) + c_2 \exp(\lambda_2 t) + \dots$$

## Example : harmonic oscillator



Solve

$$m \times''(+) + c \times'(+) + k \times(+) = 0$$

IVP:  $\overset{\uparrow}{x(0)} = -1$      $\overset{\uparrow}{x'(0)} = 0$

charact  $\leq q$ .

$$m \lambda^2 + c \lambda + k = 0$$

constants:  $m = 10$      $c = 1$      $k = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{39} i \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{39} i$$

$$x(+) = c_1 \exp(\lambda_1 t) + c_2 \exp(\lambda_2 t)$$

$$x(+) = c_1 \exp((a+bi)t) + c_2 \exp((a-bi)t)$$

$$x(+) = \exp(at) \left[ d_1 \cos(bt) + d_2 \sin(bt) \right]$$

$$x'(+) = \exp(at) \left[ d_1 \cos(bt) + d_2 \sin(bt) \right] + \exp(at) \left[ -d_1 b \sin(bt) + d_2 b \cos(bt) \right]$$

$$a = \frac{1}{2} \quad b = \frac{\sqrt{39}}{2}$$

use  $x(0) = -1$  and  $x'(0) = 0$  to find

$$d_1 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{39}} \quad d_2 = -1$$

Initial position  $\overset{\uparrow}{\text{initial velocity}}$

## Systems of ODEs

"A differential equation of order n can be written as a system of ODEs of order 1"

example

$$mx'' + cx' + kx = 0$$

$$q_1 = x \Rightarrow q_1' = x'$$

$$q_2 = x' \Rightarrow q_2' = x''$$

$$q_1' = q_2$$

$$q_2' = \frac{1}{m} (-cq_2 - kq_1)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -k/m & -c/m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{\vec{q}}' = \tilde{A}\tilde{\vec{q}}$$

matrix form of homogeneous eq.

Solution to systems  $\Rightarrow$  Eigenvalues

An nonzero vector  $v$  of dimension  $N$  is an eigenvector of a square matrix  $A$  if it satisfies

$$A \underset{\uparrow}{v} = \lambda \underset{\uparrow}{v} \text{ eigenvalue}$$

eigenvector

example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 = -3$$

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -0.894 \\ -0.447 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = 2$$

$$v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.447 \\ -0.894 \end{bmatrix}$$

-  $N$  eigenvalue/eigenvector pairs

- eigenvectors are the principle axes of the system  
↳ can use to orthogonalize system

How to find  $\mathcal{R}^2$

(1) solve  $\det(A - \mathcal{R}_i \mathbb{I}) \mathcal{R}_i = 0$

(2) use Eigen decomposition from Linear Algebra package  
 $\mathcal{R}_i v = \text{eigen}(A)$

Similarity with SVD:

$$A^{-1} = Q \underbrace{\mathcal{R}^c}_{\text{matrix of eigenvectors}} Q^{-1}$$

diagonal matrix with  $\mathcal{R}_i$  as entries

$$\mathcal{R}^{-1}_{ii} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{R}_i}$$

zero  $\mathcal{R}_i$  — matrix is rank deficient  
— not invertible

near zero  $\mathcal{R}_i$ : ill posed inversion

Solving

$$\vec{q}' = A \vec{q}$$

(1) obtain  $\lambda_i$  through eigen(A) or  $\det(A - \lambda_i I) = 0$

(2) obtain eigenvectors  $\vec{v}_i$

$$\vec{q}(t) = [\vec{v}_1 \exp(\lambda_1 t) \quad \vec{v}_2 \exp(\lambda_2 t) \quad \dots \quad \vec{v}_n \exp(\lambda_n t)] \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{constants}$$

real  $\lambda$ : exp  
use initial cond. to get  $c_i$

complex  $\lambda$ : sinusoidal

Valid for homogeneous linear systems

Example: Reaction chains

$$\frac{dq_1}{dt} = -aq_1$$

$$\frac{dq_2}{dt} = aq_1 - bq_2$$

$$\frac{dq_3}{dt} = bq_2$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -a & 0 & 0 \\ a & -b & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a = 1 \quad b = \frac{1}{2} \quad q_1(0) = 2 \quad q_2(0) = 0 \quad q_3(0) = 0$$

Homework: find analytical solution and compare to notes

## State Space Modelling



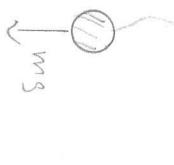
forced oscillator

$$m \ddot{x}(t) + c \dot{x}(t) + kx = f(t)$$

inputs  $f(t)$

outputs (observables)

- position
  - velocity
  - acceleration
- $\rightarrow$  derived properties
- force  $m\ddot{x}$
  - frequency of oscillation



States:

variables needed to predict future of system

$$m x'' + c x' + k x = f$$

$$q_1 = x$$

$$q_2 = x'$$

$$q_1 = q_2$$

$$q_2' = \frac{1}{m} (f - c q_2 - k q_1)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -k/m & -c/m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$+ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/m \end{bmatrix} f$$

$$\boxed{q' = A q + B f}$$

Input Eq.

$q$ : state variables

Outputs :

$$y_1 = mx^n \quad (\text{force})$$

$$y_2 = x^v \quad (\text{velocity})$$

$$y_3 = x \quad (\text{position})$$

$$y_1 = f - c q_2 - k q_1$$

$$y_2 = q_2$$

$$y_3 = q_1$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -k & -c \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} f$$

Output equations

$$\vec{y} = \vec{C} \vec{q} + \vec{D} \vec{f}$$

not limited by number

## Numerical Solutions

Example:  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y(x) \cdot x$

IVP:  $y(x=1) = 1$

Phase space: vector field with slopes given by  $y'(x)$

$$y=1$$

$$y$$

$$x=1$$

$$x=2$$

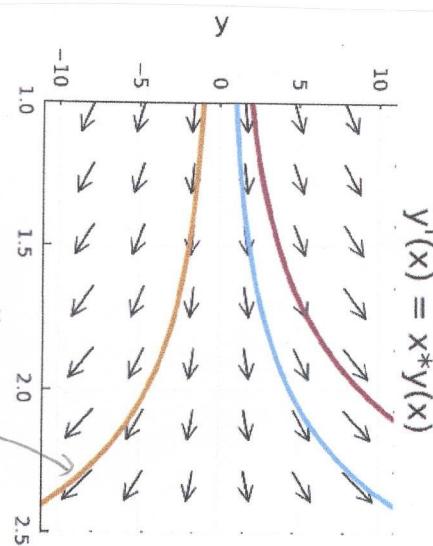
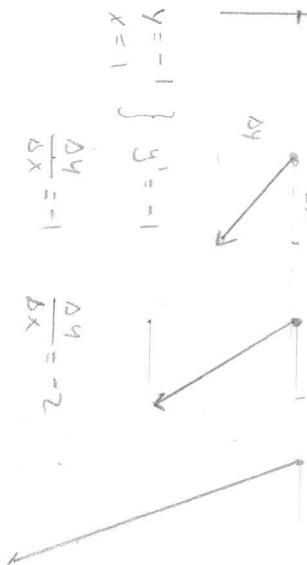
$$x=3$$

$$x$$

$$y=-1$$

$$\Delta y$$

$$\Delta x$$



Integral

Curves

"slope field is tangent  
to function"

## Numerical Integration: Euler's Method

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \bar{f}(x_1, y_1)$$

e.g.  $\bar{f}(x_1, y_1) = x_1 y(x)$

$$y_0 = a$$

$$x_0 = 1$$

$$\frac{y(x_0+h) - y(x_0)}{h} = \bar{f}(x_0, y_0)$$

$$y_1 = y(x_0+h) = \bar{f}(x_0, y_0)h + y(x_0)$$

$$x_1 = x_0 + h$$

$$y_2 = y_1 + \bar{f}(x_1, y_1)h + y(x_1)$$

$\vdots$

$$y_{n+1} = y(x_n+h) = h\bar{f}(x_n, y_n) + y(x_n)$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + h$$

forward finite difference

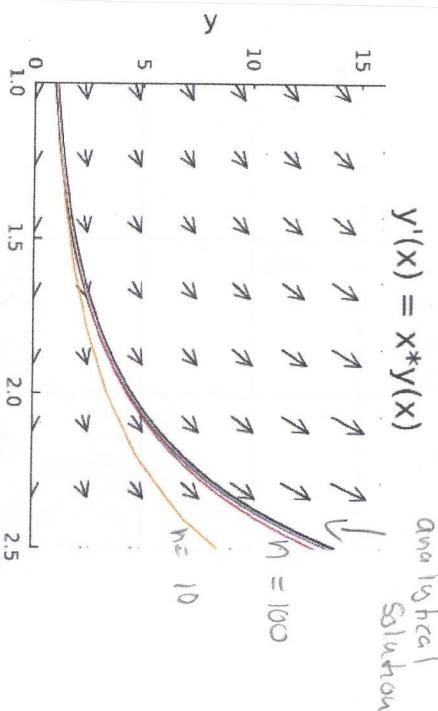
## Euler example

- Need to set  $h$  (timestep)
- error per step  $\approx \frac{1}{2} h^2 f''(x)$
- local truncation error

- error at end: accumulated error  $\propto h$   
 (global truncation error)

$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \rightarrow$  error approaches zero

$\rightarrow$  solution converges

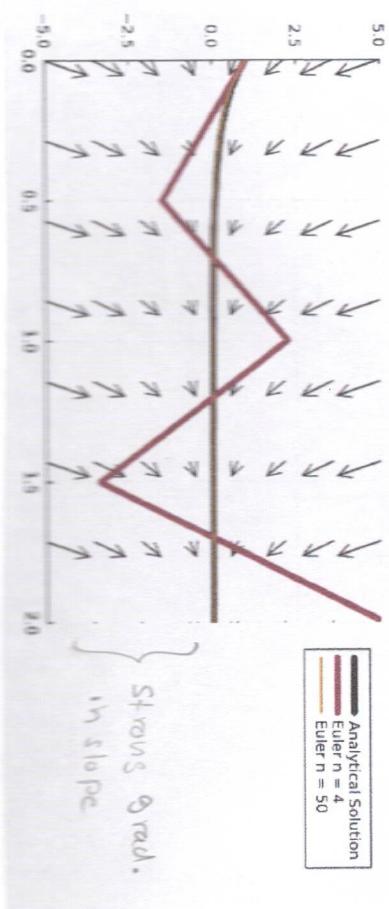


## Stiff Equations

- const step causes oscillations +
- can lead to oscillation
- requires adaptive h or small h
- many physical systems are stiff

$$y' = -5y$$

$$y = y_0 e^{-5x}$$



## Runge Kutta Method (RK4)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(t, y) \quad y(t_0) = y_0$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{6}(k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$$

$$t_{n+1} = t_0 + h$$

$$k_1 = f(t_n, y_n)$$

$$k_2 = f(t_n + h/2, y_n + h \frac{k_1}{2})$$

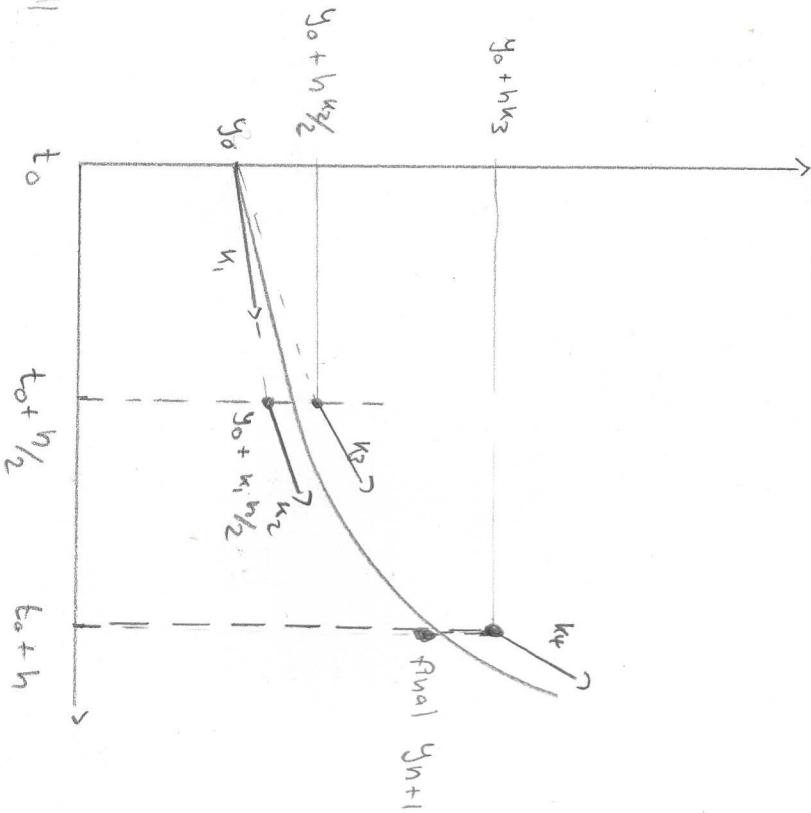
$$k_3 = f(t_n + h/2, y_n + h \frac{k_2}{2})$$

$$k_4 = f(t_n + h, y_n + h k_3)$$

- Local truncation error  $\mathcal{O}(h^5)$
- Global truncation error  $\mathcal{O}(h^4)$

### Adaptive RK4

- vary  $h$  such that local error  $< \text{tol}$
- and global error  $< \text{atol}$



## ODE Solvers

- (1) define function that returns derivative

```
function f(u, p, t)
    u : current value
    du = -3u
    return du
    t : current time
    p : parameters } may not be
        used
end
```

- (2) define initial conditions and range to integrate

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u0 = 10
t = [0, 10]
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- (3) define solver method

e.g. Euler, Runge, ...

Set truncation error limit or timestep

- (4) call ode solver

- (5) evaluate the solution