

MAE 3210 - Spring 2019 - Project 3

Project 3 is due **online** through Canvas by 11:59PM on Thursday, April 25.

IMPORTANT REMARKS (Please read carefully):

- You are required to submit code for all functions and/or subroutines built to solve these problems, which is designed to be easy to read and understand, in your chosen programming language, **and which you have written yourself**. The text from your code should both be copied into a single PDF file submitted on canvas. **Your submitted PDF must also include responses to any assigned questions, which for problems requiring programming should be based on output from your code.** For example, if you are asked to find a numerical answer to a problem, the number itself should be included in your submission.
- In addition to what is required for homework submission, for each numerical answer you reach based on running code you have written yourself, **your submitted project PDF must include a copy of a screenshot** that shows your computer window after your code has been executed, with the numerical answer displayed clearly on the screen.

1. (BONUS POINTS ONLY: Worth up to 10 points, but not beyond 100% on the project)

(a) Develop an algorithm which, for a given function of two variables $f(x, y)$, interval bounds a and b with $a < b$, and c and d with $c < d$, and input integer $n \geq 1$, does the following:

(i) If n is odd, it applies the trapezoidal rule in each dimension to

$$\text{approximate } I = \int_c^d \left(\int_a^b f(x, y) dx \right) dy.$$

(ii) If n is even, it applies the multiple-application Simpson's 1/3 rule

$$\text{in each dimension to approximate } I = \int_c^d \left(\int_a^b f(x, y) dx \right) dy.$$

(b) Suppose the temperature T ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) at a point (x, y) on a 16 m^2 rectangular heated plate is given by

$$T(x, y) = x^2 - 3y^2 + xy + 72,$$

where $-2 \leq x \leq 2$ and $0 \leq y \leq 4$ (here x and y are measured in meters about a reference point at $(0, 0)$). Determine the average temperature of the plate:

- (i) Analytically, to obtain a true value.
 - (ii) Numerically, using the algorithm you developed in question 1(a) above, and plot the true percent relative error ϵ_t as a function of n for $1 \leq n \leq 5$. Provide some interpretation of the results.
- 2. Write code for two separate algorithms to implement (a) Euler's method and (b) the standard 4th order Runge-Kutta method, for solving a given first-order **one-dimensional** ODE. Design the code to solve the ODE over a prescribed interval with a prescribed step size, taking the initial condition at the left end point of the interval as an input variable.
- 3. The drag force F_d (N) exerted on a falling object can be modeled as proportional to the square of the objects downward velocity v (m/s), with a constant of proportionality c_d (kg/m).
 - (a) Assume that a falling object has mass $m = 100$ (kg) with a drag coefficient of $c_d = 0.25$ kg/m, and let $g = 9.81$ (m/s²) denote the constant downward acceleration due to gravity near the surface of the earth. Starting from Newton's second law, explain the derivation of the following ODE for the downward velocity $v = v(t)$ of the falling object:

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 9.81 - 0.0025v^2.$$

- (b) Suppose that this same object is dropped from an initial height of $y_0 = 2$ km. Approximating $g = 9.81$ m/s², determine when the object hits the ground by solving the ODE you derived in question 3(a) using
 - (i) Euler's method.
 - (ii) the standard 4th order Runge-Kutta method.
- 4. Write code for two separate algorithms to implement (a) Euler's method and (b) the standard 4th order Runge-Kutta method, for solving a given first-order **two-dimensional** system of ODEs. Design the code to solve the system of ODEs over a prescribed interval with a prescribed step size.
- 5. The motion of a damped mass spring is described by the following ODE

$$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + c \frac{dx}{dt} + kx = 0, \tag{1}$$

where x = displacement from equilibrium position (m), t = time (s), m = mass (kg), k = stiffness constant (N/m) and c = damping coefficient (N·s/m).

- (a) Rewrite the 2nd order ODE (1) as a two-dimensional system of first order ODEs for the displacement $x = x(t)$ and velocity $v = v(t)$ of the mass attached to the spring.
- (b) Assume that the mass is $m = 10$ kg, the stiffness $k = 12$ N/m, the damping coefficient is $c = 3$ N·s/m, the initial velocity of the mass is zero ($v(0) = 0$), and the initial displacement is $x = 1$ m ($x(0) = 1$). Solve for the displacement and velocity of the mass over the time period $0 \leq t \leq 15$, and plot your results for the displacement $x = x(t)$,
 - (i) using Euler's method with step size $h = 0.5$, and then with step size $h = 0.01$.
 - (ii) using the standard 4th order Runge-Kutta method with step size $h = 0.5$, and then with step size $h = 0.01$.
- (c) Assume that the mass is $m = 10$ kg, the stiffness $k = 12$ N/m, the damping coefficient is $c = 50$ N·s/m, the initial velocity of the mass is zero ($v(0) = 0$), and the initial displacement is $x = 1$ m ($x(0) = 1$). Solve for the displacement and velocity of the mass over the time period $0 \leq t \leq 15$, and plot your results for the displacement $x = x(t)$,
 - (i) using Euler's method with step size $h = 0.5$, and then with step size $h = 0.01$.
 - (ii) using the standard 4th order Runge-Kutta method with step size $h = 0.5$, and then with step size $h = 0.01$.
- (d) (BONUS POINTS - but not beyond 100 percent on the project) Use analytical methods you have learned in the ODE pre/co-requisite to this course to find the analytic solution $x = x(t)$ to each of the problems posed in questions 5(b) and 5(c), and plot the analytic solution you obtain against your numerical solutions for comparison.