

# Solution of Week 11 Lab (Prepared by Yuan Yin)

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## 1 Exercise 1: Runge-Kutta fixed step codes:

Run and examine 'myShowRK().m', 'RKStep.m', 'FixedRK.m', 'blobtrack2.m'.

## 2 Exercise 2: Embedded RK methods:

(a).

Go through 'predator-prey dynamics' in the Documentation.

(b).

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[1]: %%file EX2bDriver.m
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function EX2bDriver
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tspan = [0, 2];
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y0 = 1;
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f = @(t, y) y.^2;
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[TOUT1,YOUT1] = ode23(f,tspan,y0);
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YOUT1
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[TOUT2,YOUT2] = ode45(f,tspan,y0);
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YOUT2
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end
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[2]: EX2bDriver
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> In ode23 (line 299)

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Warning: Failure at t=9.999694e-01. Unable to meet integration tolerances without reducing the step size below the smallest value allowed (1.776357e-15) at time t.

> In ode45 (line 360)  
In EX2bDriver (line 13)

YOUT2 =

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Since the question is terribly conditioned near  $t = 1$ , neither of these methods will give an accurate answer. However, by fixing the step size to some relatively large number, we can skip some points near  $t = 1$ . Therefore, fixed-step method is more helpful. (Please check Tute10 Exercise Set 2, 'Try Yourself' part for more detailed explanation.)

(c).

Work through Section 7.7 of Moler.

(d).

Explanation of the output:

- For ode23, the local error  $\sim h^3$ . Therefore, we should have  $h^3 \sim AbsTol$ , where  $AbsTol = 10^{-8}$ . This implies that the step size for ode23 should be around  $(10^{-8})^{\frac{1}{3}} \sim 0.04$ ;
- Similarly, for ode45, the local error  $\sim h^5 \sim AbsTol = 10^{-8}$ .  $\Rightarrow$  The step size for ode45 is around  $(10^{-8})^{\frac{1}{5}} \sim 0.4$ ;
- $\frac{\text{step size for ode23}}{\text{step size for ode45}} \sim \frac{1}{10} \Rightarrow \frac{\text{Number of steps we need to take for ode23}}{\text{Number of steps we need to take for ode45}} \sim 10$ ;
- However, for ode23, we need to take 3 function evaluations at each step while for ode45, we need 6. This implies that  $\frac{\text{The Number of function evaluations for ode23}}{\text{The Number of function evaluations for ode45}} \sim 0.5$ .
- Above is my analysis when  $AbsTol = 10^{-8}$ . One can see that this explanation is consistent with the output. Now, you can try to explain the case where we use default tolerance for ode45.

(e).

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[7]: %%file MyRigidode.m

function MyRigidode
%% EXERCISE SET 2 (e):

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fprintf('\n\nFOR EXERCISE SET 2 (e):\n\n');
tspan = [0 12];
y0 = [0; 1; 1];

% solve the problem using ODE45
figure;
options_1 = odeset('Stats', 'on');
ode45(@f,tspan,y0, options_1);

fprintf('-----\n');

figure;
options_2 = odeset('Stats', 'on', 'RelTol', 1.e-4);
ode45(@f,tspan,y0, options_2);

%% EXERCISE SET 3 (a):

fprintf('\n\n*****\n\nFOR_
→EXERCISE SET 3 (a):\n\n');
ttspan = [0 12];
y00 = [0; 1; 1];

figure;
options = odeset('Stats', 'on', 'RelTol', 1.e-7);
ode45(@f,ttspan,y00, options);

fprintf('-----\n');

figure;
options = odeset('Stats', 'on', 'RelTol', 1.e-7);
ode113(@f,ttspan,y00, options);

fprintf('-----\n');

fprintf('As one can see from the output, ode113 is more efficient.\n');

end

function dydt = f(t,y)
dydt = [ y(2)*y(3)
        -y(1)*y(3)
        -0.51*y(1)*y(2) ];

end

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[8]: MyRigidode
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FOR EXERCISE SET 2 (e):
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19 successful steps  
2 failed attempts  
127 function evaluations  
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27 successful steps  
3 failed attempts  
181 function evaluations
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FOR EXERCISE SET 3 (a)
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50 successful steps  
1 failed attempts  
307 function evaluations  
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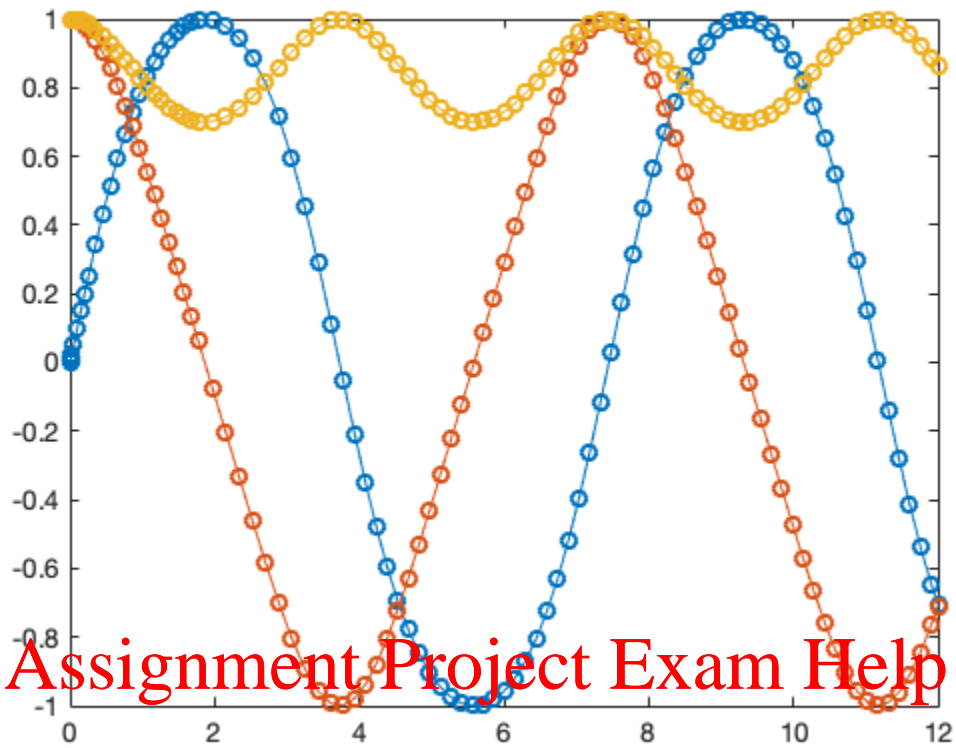
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92 successful steps  
0 failed attempts  
185 function evaluations  
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As one can see from the output, ode113 is more efficient.
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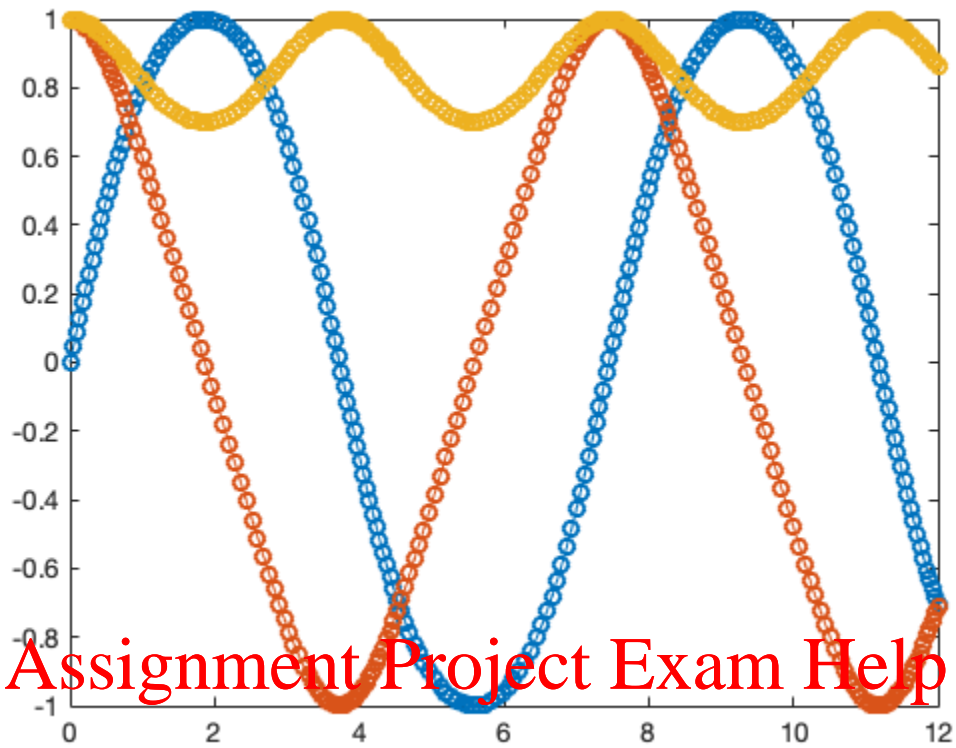
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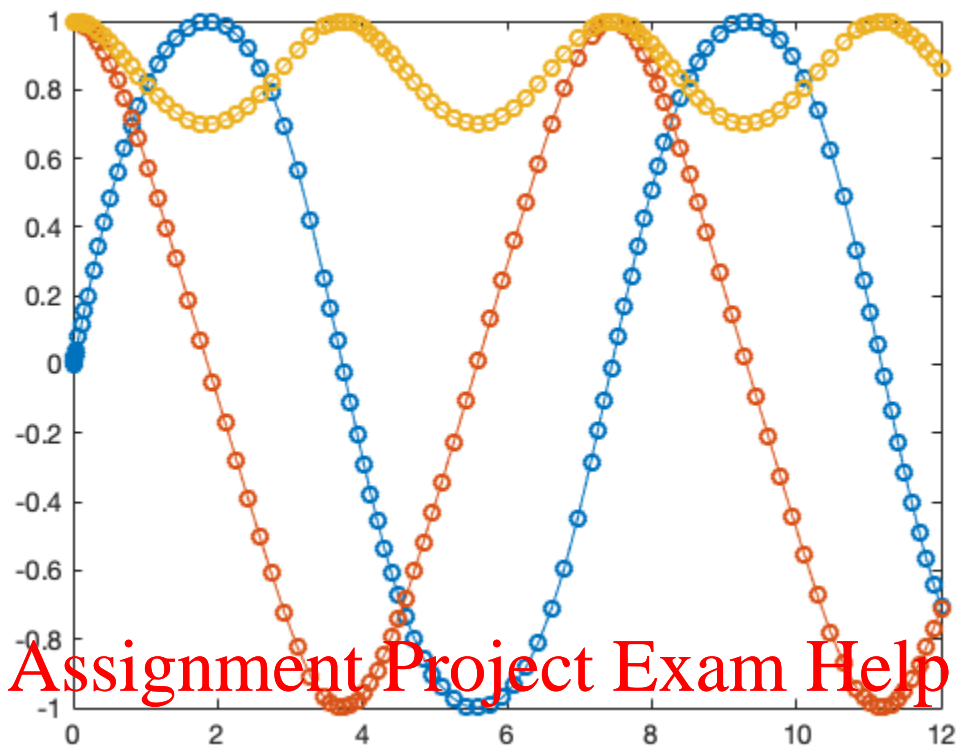
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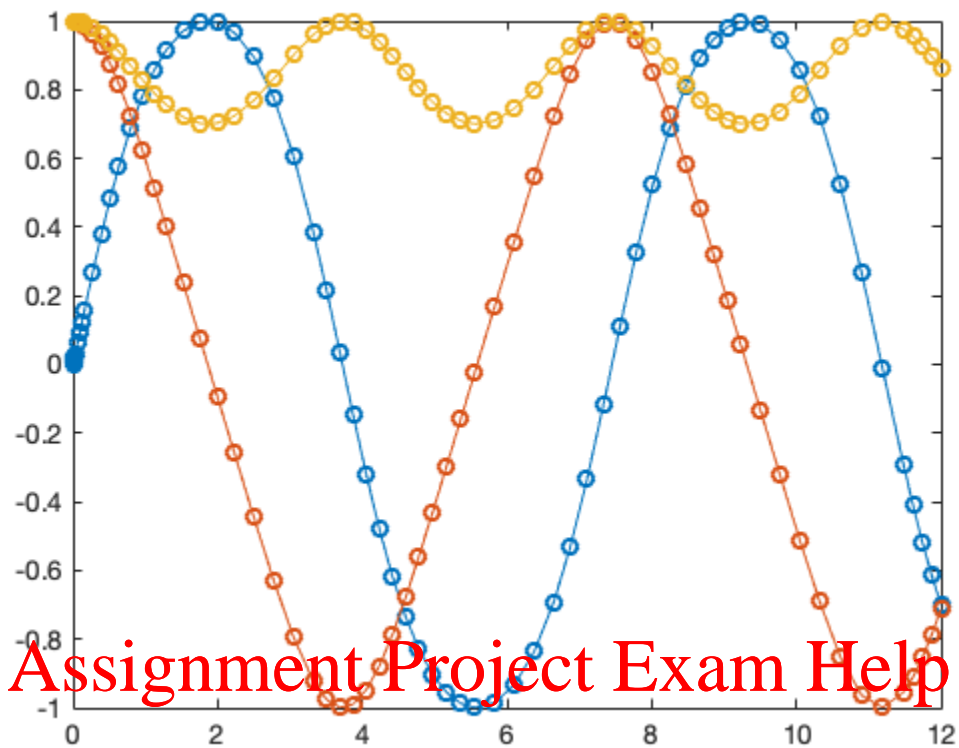


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### 3 Exercise 3: Other MATLAB solvers:

(a).

Check my outputs from above (i.e. run MyRigidode.m to investigate the results.)

(b).

What is going on here? (What is the problem of ode45?)

Since this is a stiff problem, i.e.  $|J| \rightarrow \infty$ , we need to keep the step size 'tiny' when using ode45.

As you can see from the output figure, the step size is actually around  $10^{-4}$ .

However, our tspan is from 0 to 2. This means that we need to take  $\sim (2 \div 10^{-4})$  steps in total. However, each step involves 4 function evaluations.....

Not efficient at all!

I mean, using ode45 to solve a stiff problem WILL give you a correct solution, it just costs so much time!

(c).

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[9]: %%file MyVdpode.m

function MyVdpode(MU)

if nargin < 1
    MU = 100;
    % MU = 400;
    % MU = 800;
    % MU = 1000;      % default
end

tspan = [0; max(20,3*MU)];          % several periods
y0 = [2; 0];
options = odeset('Jacobian',@J);

% [t,y] = ode15s(@f,tspan,y0,options); % default stiff solver
[t,y] = ode45(@f,tspan,y0,options);
% [t,y] = ode113(@f,tspan,y0,options);

figure;
plot(t,y(:,1));
title(['Solution of van der Pol Equation, \mu = ' num2str(MU)]);
xlabel('time t');
ylabel('solution y_1');

axis([tspan(1) tspan(end) -2.5 2.5]);

% -----
% Nested functions -- MU is provided by the outer function.
%

function dydt = f(t,y)
    % Derivative function. MU is provided by the outer function.
    dydt = [
              y(2)
            MU*(1-y(1)^2)*y(2)-y(1) ];
end

% -----

function dfdy = J(t,y)
    % Jacobian function. MU is provided by the outer function.
    dfdy = [
              0          1
            -2*MU*y(1)*y(2)-1    MU*(1-y(1)^2) ];
end

% -----

end % vdpode

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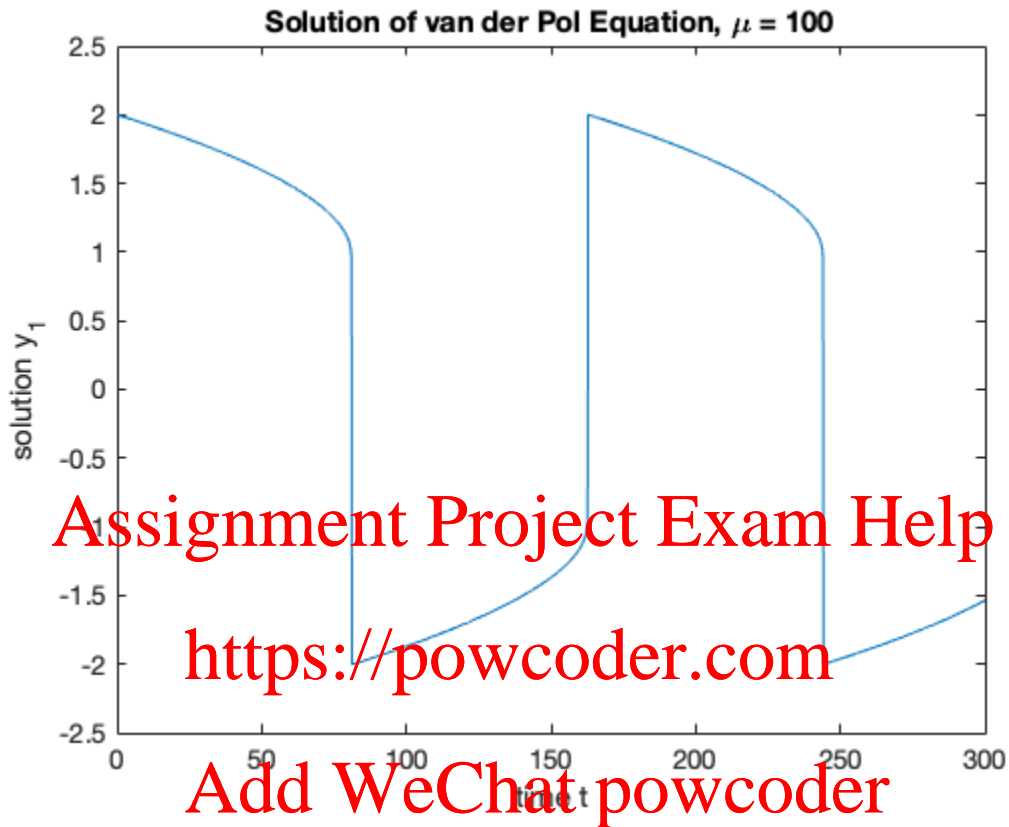
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[10]: MyVdpode



When  $\mu$  is small, e.g.  $\mu = 100$ , ode45 and ode113 solve the problem quite quickly. However, as  $\mu$  increases its value, the problem becomes stiffer and stiffer, and using the non-stiff solvers, such as ode45 and ode113, is very time-consuming.